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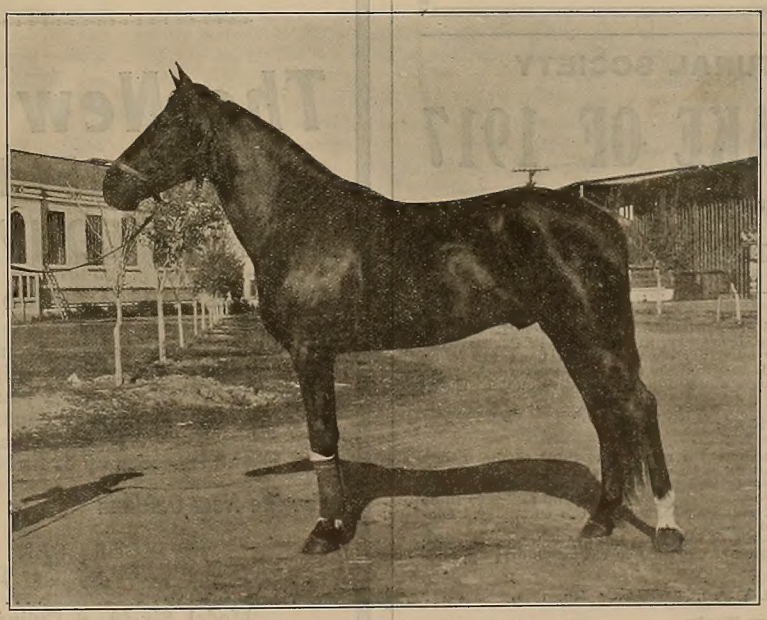
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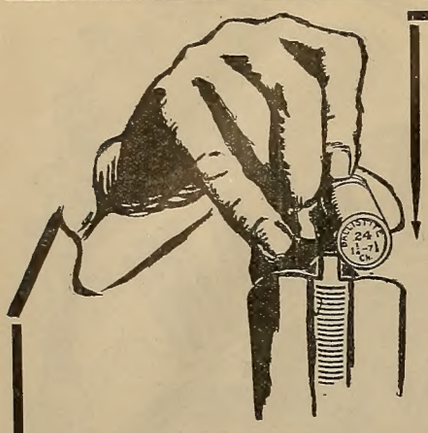
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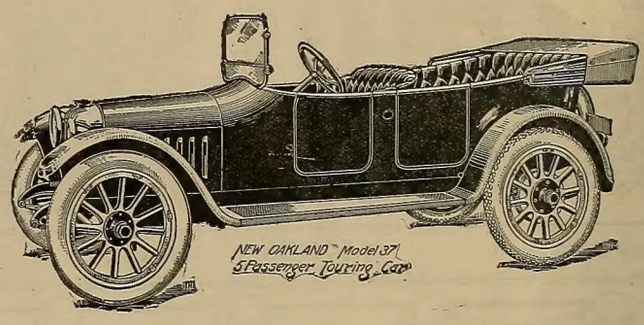
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TODAY!

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Make entries for the Occident Stake of 1917, for trotting foals of 1914. Chas. W. Paine, Sec., Sacramento, Cal.

A "RELIEF" MEASURE WHICH FAILS TO RELIEVE.

We do not believe that we are by nature especially "cantankerous," or "agin' the government," or adverse to changes in racing rules which would be conducive to improvement in conducting successful harness meetings, but we seem to have some difficulties in arriving at the conclusion that all the proposals which the rules committee of the Grand Circuit will make to the stewards at their executive session are really for the best interest of the sport. As is noted elsewhere in this number, we have yet to find reason to accord approval to the suggested four heat race system, nor are we in any way inclined to support the proposed amendment to the win-race rule.

Here is the version of the last mentioned matter: "In order to eliminate all trifling with the present race record rule, the committee requests that the parent racing association shall amend the win race record rule in order to give the judges of a race the power to inflict an eligibility record on a horse, which wins a heat, but does not win the race, providing the judges believe that the driver intentionally lost the race."

At first glance such a course might seem to offer an improvement over conditions that prevailed in 1914 under the workings of the rules as they were applied, but on closer study it meets with less favor, insofar as we ourselves are concerned. The longer we consider it the less we like it, and we are inclined to the belief that the parent associations will not place the proposed amendment on record. The course taken by the rules committee can mean to us but one of two things, either that they are seeking to dodge the responsibility of enforcing the established rules of racing and are seeking a ruling that will impose a mere subterfuge of a penalty (this being the belief to which we are inclined), or that they propose for the season of 1915 the most rigid enforcement of rules that the history of racing has witnessed in a goodly number of years.

It is a matter of general knowledge among horsemen that the dissatisfaction arising from racing under the no-record rule in 1914 is traceable largely to the judge's stand. The rules committee in their recommendation imply a disinclination to apply present rules — or possibly, not probably, a desire for still more stringent rules. To us it appears that the former is much more apt to be the case.

The rules as they stand at present offer a most effective and salutary remedy for "trifling with the race record rule"—simply fine, suspension or expulsion. This remedy the judges have not been inclined to administer, though it may readily be seen that a few doses of this nature would put a pretty effective check on a spread of the epidemic. Compared to a stiff fine, suspension or expulsion, the infliction of an eligibility record would be about as a ladylike slap on the wrist would be to a good stiff hook on the jaw from a man's sized man. As a penalty for flagrant infraction of racing rules it is no more than a farce, and the eligibility record could be administered only as an aftermath to a deliberate "misdemeanor," for which there is a very plainly defined and presumably compulsory penalty.

Here is where the rules committee, in track parlance, have overlooked their hand: They ask the "strengthening" of the no record rule by the adoption of their proposed amendment, but they have sought no suspension of the clause providing for "competent judges for the day or race who shall understand the rules of this association, **and shall rigidly enforce the same,"** nor do they request any alteration in the wording of Section 6, Rule 27, which reads: "Every heat in a race must be contested by every horse in the race, and every horse must be driven to the finish. Should a driver or rider be found guilty of violating this rule he shall be **fined, suspended, or expelled."**

Seeking a light penalty as an avenue of escape from "offending" lawless drivers or owners, the committee really seeks the establishment of a governing clause **whose application must of necessity be followed by fine, suspension, or expulsion.**

Given the adoption of their proposed amendment, any trio of judges who "believe that the driver intentionally lost the race" and apply a penalizing eligibility record and then fail to discipline the driver himself by fine, suspension, or expulsion, **are themselves liable to the limit penalty which the parent association has in its power to impose.**

The no record rule has been unsatisfactory in its working largely because the judges have been loath to inflict punishment already provided for. How much more willing will they be to inflict the further penalty that the adoption of the rules committee's proposal would inflict? The committee has failed to ring the bell with this shot at the no record target and we incline to our previously expressed opinion that given an enforcement of the fundamental rules of racing it will be found a real aid to the racing industry—otherwise the quicker it is rescinded, not doctored, the better.

1915.

Again we have turned the page of the calendar that puts another three hundred and sixty-five days into the dead and gone past; again we have "rung out the old, rung in the new," and stand at the threshold of another of Father Time's mansions—1915.

Nineteen-fifteen!

Ever since the day when the big figures went up on the Spreckels Building, fifteen minutes after we had the news that we were to entertain the world at the celebration of the opening of the Panama canal, that date has been one that, both literally and figuratively, loomed large in the eyes of Californians.

And now the year is with us in reality and our dreams are coming true. One of our expositions has opened amid scenes of classic grandeur, and down on the water front just inside the Golden Gate the other and greater one is receiving the finishing touches that will make it ready against the coming of its opening day, February twentieth. Millions have been spent that the progress of the world during the last decades may be fittingly portrayed, and now that the work is done—and well done—California opens her hospitable portals to the peoples of all the nations and bids them welcome. No state in the Union has more to offer to the visitor than has California; no state can surpass her in the heartiness of her invitation to all to come during 1915, and no state can greet the stranger within her gates with greater warmth or a truer welcome.

Not yet has it been realized fully what the exposition and the opening of the canal mean to California and the coast country from San Diego to Vancouver. Great things are expected by all, but the passing of time will doubtless bring even greater, farther reaching benefits than have been anticipated by the most sanguine. With the tide of immigration that will follow in the years immediately succeeding these great events of 1915—not so much immigration from foreign shores, but a fresh impetus to the westward course of the star of empire in our own country—will come the settling of our thousands upon thousands of vacant acres and an unprecedented growth to our cities. Almost before we know it, so subtle is the march of progress, the California of the future will offer almost as great a contrast to the California of today as does the Golden State we know and love so well offer to that wilderness territory familiar to a generation gone.

Serenely glorying in the splendors of her past, unalterably confident of her future grandeur, California welcomes you, 1915; as in the days of '49 when the hunting cry of the gold seekers echoed around the world and brought to her shores the hordes of hardy pioneers who reaped rich harvests from her bounteous hills and paved the way for the coming of our present civilization, so now has her call reached to the farthest highways and byways of the planet bidding all who will to come and join with her in an even greater glory, and to the thousands upon thousands who will heed the call she promises a bounteous reward of health, and wealth, and happiness.

THAT 1915 CIRCUIT.

More of our eastern friends are finding favor in our plan to arrange circuit dates that would provide racing straight through the latter part of the season without conflict, but almost all make the mistake of saying that such a circuit would limit Columbus and Lexington to one week each, contrary to their usual custom.

Presuming that the Grand Circuit in 1915 will afford the same number of meetings as in 1914, only the latter meetings of the circuit would be inconvenienced even to the extent of a week's advance in dates, and the length of the various meetings would be in no way curtailed.

Last year the Grand Circuit opened at Cleveland on July 20 and closed at Lexington on October 17, the continuity of the circuit having been interrupted one week (September 14-19) to allow for the Michigan State Fair. By opening this year's circuit on July 19 and with no break in the circuit, ten meetings can be arranged that will close racing at Lexington on October 9 (one week earlier than last year) and yet allow two weeks each for the Columbus and Lexington meetings. This would allow horsemen who so desired to take in one week of the Dallas meeting, could their dates be so arranged, race at Phoenix October 18-23, and arrive at San Francisco in ample time for the opening of the exposition trots on October 30.

Dallas, however, has already claimed October 16-31 and cannot reconsider until their meeting this month, which would interfere with Phoenix giving her meeting on the above dates if adhered to. Phoenix, however, enjoys ideal weather all through November, and might be inclined to hold her meeting after the exposition, in which case she would be directly in the path of eastern stables homeward bound, some of which she might hold for the winter, as there are few superior wintering grounds. Such a plan on Phoenix' part would also allow the usual arrangement of dates for Columbus and Lexington and allow Grand Circuit horses to go to the Michigan State Fair.

Our case is up to the various associations and it is for them to say whether or not they will conflict with us. The exposition has broken all records in providing horsemen with great opportunities for money earning both in number and richness of the stakes and purses offered, and in the plant provided for staging these events. Their share is done—the success of the meetings devolves upon horsemen themselves from this point on, and upon the co-operation of other associations in providing a smooth "right of way" for all parties concerned. We feel that the exposition is solely and wholly within its rights when it respectfully solicits this support and co-operation, which it richly merits.

HERE ARE THE JOHANNA TREAT YOUNGSTERS

Palm City, Cal., December 27, 1914.

Mr. James Cartwright,
Missoula, Mont.

Dear Sir:—

In reply to a letter from you published in the Breeder and Sportsman of December twelfth in regard to information concerning Johanna Treat and her progeny, will state that I still own Johanna Treat, and have at present:

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A weanling by Adansel 2:14½ (Adam Treat) entered in futurity stakes.

For further information you may address

F. W. WADHAM.

Palm City, San Diego County, Cal. R. F. D. No. 1.

SECRETARY SHEPARD'S FOUR HEAT SYSTEM.

Secretary H. D. Shepard of the Columbus Driving Park Company presented to the rules committee of the Grand Circuit during its Monday meeting at Cleveland, last week, a new race plan which is designed to end the race with four heats only. This plan will be threshed out thoroughly before being presented to the final rules committee, which meets in Detroit January 12, and already has the endorsement of a number of Ohio horsemen who have "mulled it over" personally with Mr. Shepard.

The rule is to be framed as follows: The first horse to win two heats is the race winner. Whenever a horse wins two heats he is to be ruled out and sent to the barn. It will be raced on the point system, with the exception that heat winners have precedence over a 2-3-4 place. A winner of a second heat is considered better than the winner of a first heat, and so on, provided the time of that heat equals or is faster than the previous heat. When two horses tie in the summary for a position in the race, a horse having been given second position once is considered better than a horse having been given a second position twice, provided that his second position was made after the other horse secured his second position or the heat was faster or equaled the time of the heat the horse with two seconds was secured in, and the horses making a dead heat shall count for each horse making it.

One of the advantages claimed for this plan is that, "knowing how many heats would be raced, a definite time of starting and ending the program could be arranged for. It would make the racing faster and better, as the horse winning two heats first goes to the barn the winner. The race from then on would develop new interest, as the others would all have a better chance, and they would have to be fighting for a good position all the time, as there might be a tie in points and then the one standing nearest the front in the fastest time would be the winner of the second part of the money."

In support of the plan its sponsors submit the following examples which cover a fairly wide range of racing probabilities:

Example No. 1—2:08 class trot:

Cheeney	5	1	1	ro.
Robt. Milroi	1	7	5	1
Bon Zolock	8	3	3	2
Peter Thompson	9	2	2	3

Time—2:06¼, 2:07, 2:07¼, 2:06¼.

Cheeney won first money because she won two heats first. Milroi second because he won two heats. Zolock third because the fourth heat was made in faster time than either one of Peter Thompson's.

Example No. 2—2:15 class trot:

Doctor Thorne	4	4	1	1
Morine	3	1	2	4
Poletta	1	2	4	2
Alfonso	2	3	3	3

Time—2:10½, 2:09¼, 2:08½, 2:08¾.

Doctor Thorne won first money by winning two heats. Morine took second money by winning a heat faster than Poletta, although Poletta had a smaller number of points.

Example No. 3—2:10 class trot:

Tommy Horn	1	4	1	ro.
Lady Grattan	2	3	4	1
Marigold	3	1	2	4
Dago	4	2	3	2
Derby Boy	5	5	5	3

Time—2:07¾, 2:08¼, 2:08½, 2:08¼.

Tommy Horn won first by winning two heats. Lady Grattan got second because, if horses stand alike as to both time and summary, the position goes to the horse winning the fourth heat. Her time, while equal with the second heat, is considered better because it was made in a later heat.

Example No. 4—2:05 class pace:

Directum I	1	1	ro.	
Walter Cochato	5	2	1	3
Flower Direct	2	6	3	1
Longworth B	3	3	4	2
Branham Baughman	6	4	2	4
Zombrewer	4	5	5	5

Time—2:09¼, 2:04¾, 2:04¼, 2:04¼.

Directum I is first because of winning two heats. Cochato second because his 10 points beat Flower Direct with 11 points, even if Flower Direct's fourth heat did equal Cochato's third heat of 2:04¼, or 10 points beat 11 points outside of heat winners.

Example No. 5—2:10 class pace:

Lowanda	4	3	2	1
Sellars D	3	2	1	4
Nelly G.	2	1	4	3
Don Patch	1	4	3	2
Hal J	8	5	6	7
Irish Lad	9	7	6	6
Princess Patch	10	6	7	5

Time—2:09, 2:08¾, 2:08½, 2:08¼.

Lowanda gets first money because fourth heat was fastest. Sellars D. is second because third heat was faster than second heat. Nelly G. is third because second heat was faster than first heat. Don Patch is fourth because he won a heat in slowest time. Hal J. is fifth because of 26 points. Irish Lad is sixth Galley SIX— —
by his 27 points and Princess Patch seventh on account of 28 points.

Example No. 6—2:04 class pace:

Leata J.	1	0	ro.	
F. Bogash Jr.	2	0	0	ro.
Mack Thistle	5	2	0	1
Del Ray	3	4	2	3
Edith C.	4	3	3	2
View Elder	6	5	4	ro.

Time—2:03½, 2:03, 2:02, 2:04¼.

Leata J. wins and goes to the barn after the second heat, a dead one. Bogash wins second money and goes to the barn at conclusion of third heat. Mack Thistle gets third money and Del Ray fourth because he was second in the third heat, the fastest heat in the race.

Secretary Shepard suggests that interested parties give his system careful consideration before its presentation to the committee for official sanction or rejection. Racing in the east and racing here on the coast do not run in absolutely parallel lines, though governed by the same rules, which may have something to do with the unfavorable view we take of the proposed system, for, frankly speaking and in understandable racetrack English, "we don't see it."

Example by example, let us look it over—consider that we have paid our dollar for a reserved seat and that our money is helping to pay the purse.

In example one we have a fine juicy split heat race—until Cheeney gets two and the gate, Robert Milroi winning the first and fourth. Bon Zolock gets third money over Peter Thompson because he was second once in faster time than either of Peter Thompson's two seconds were made in—yet Peter Thompson was the contending horse in two good heats when the winner, the best horse under the rule, was still in the race.

In example two a similar objection is raised in the placing of Poletta third to Morine's second, the placing being made on a time basis in which the difference is three-quarters of a second. Poletta ranks higher in points and went a more consistent race—and we confess to a liking for consistency as well as speed.

In example three we mourn the loss of Tommy Horn from our field of vision after the third heat, but agree with the placing of the balance of the field, as in case of a tie we are inclined to favor the horse whose speed lasted longest.

In example four our main objection is the fact that we get our champion blanketed for the day after two times out, one heat of which was very slow—and we leave it to Dr. Dodson if it isn't mighty aggravating to all concerned to have to watch Directum I win a slow heat! No fault with other placing.

Example five, placed properly under the circumstances, but would have suited our dollar interest better to have had winners of three first heats race off tie in fourth heat, regardless of the win-race rule.

Example six is to our notion—as a dollar spectator—a "powerful disappointment, powerful so." We stood right up and hollered when Frank put Leata's nose ahead of Tommy Murphy's Bogash horse. Then when the pair of 'em pulled a dead one we sure jumped up and whooped and in our enthusiasm slapped the blond lady's shoulder like she was an old friend and her husband never even noticed it! Seemed like we couldn't hardly wait for 'em to come out again. Goin' some, eh folks? Pullin' a dead one in 2:03! Gee! That's a sure pippin! There they come now! Why, where's that Jones filly? Ain't comin' out? G'wan! How's that? "Sheparded"! Gosh! and then gosh again! So darned sore, couldn't work up much enthusiasm over the Bogash horse and Mack Thistle going a dead one a second faster. Answer blond lady's friendly smile and that homely husband saw it and swelled up like a poisoned pup. Bigger 'n we are too! Oh well, maybe Frank and Mack will do it again, or anyway race a nose finish. Here they are! Huh? Bogash? Why don't Tommy get out here? He don't generally ball things up! Huh? Say it again! "Sheparded"! Come on out o' this before we get in trouble! Let's beat it while the beatin 's good.

All jokes aside and right absolutely on the dead level, that last example, to us, bears all the earmarks of what might have been a real hair raiser just naturally all shot to h—excuse us—pieces!

Possibly we have failed to give the proposal due consideration. Possibly, too, its sponsors may have looked upon the "child of their brain" with the not unusual too fond parental eye. One of the advantages claimed is that "knowing how many heats would be raced, a definite time of starting and ending the program could be arranged for." Why better for four heats than for three? In a card of four races, every heat a race, with tied horses going a fourth heat, there will not be sufficient uncertainty to cause inconvenience save in isolated cases.

"It would make the racing faster and better, as the horse winning two heats first goes to the barn the winner." Right here we split emphatically. The majority of the people like to see a race really won, and the idea of stimulating interest by sending the best horses to the barn seems rather a backward manner of going about it, to us. We want to see the good ones race—otherwise we would have stayed at home. Bet you fifty that Leata would have beaten Bogash the third heat if they—and there you are. There is too little real, satisfying, convincing evidence that we saw a horse win a horse race.

You will also note that in the examples given, the time holds out wonderfully well. In split heat races where the winner or winners of the first one or two heats remain contending horses this is not unusual, or unexpected. However, we believe that if all instances of the winner or winners of the first one or two heats being removed from competition by distance or "dogging" or plain hard racing luck could be tabulated, in the majority of cases the succeeding heats would be found to have deteriorated in crowd pleasing caliber and to have been raced in slower time. There can be cited instances of races of the "procession" type where the elimination of one horse would lead to a better balanced field, but as the field is racing for but second, third and fourth money what difference in the keenness of their place contests would the removal of the accepted winner accomplish? If anything, his continued presence would be more likely to serve only to bring them home that much faster.

The rule presents one weird feature. It lays stress to the value of speed in the final stages of the race in the casting up of the summary, giving evidence to a high regard for lasting speed—plain, old-fashioned "bottom." At the same time it opens up a field of wonderful promise for the two heat sprinters by making it possible for the latter to annex a first money in two heats that they could not possibly secure in four, if raced out. The situation created is scarcely tenable.

The rule may be far better than it appears to us. Like its originators, we would like to hear from any of our readers who have opinions concerning the same, for or against. Any opinions on this or any other matters are welcomed and get a fair hearing. We are open to conviction any time you can prove it to us that we are wrong. We might even be convinced of error in this case and we may have a hammer out of the box at a bad time, but——

Now if Leata and Frank Bogash had gone just—Good night!

DEATH CLAIMS W. J. MILLER.

A game and long-drawn-out battle for life was brought to a close shortly after three o'clock last Saturday afternoon at the Lane Hospital in this city, when death came to relieve the sufferings of Wendelin J. Miller of Chico, who had been an inmate of that institution since early in November. For almost three years he had been in very poor health, having undergone a number of operations, and for some weeks practically no hope had been held out for his recovery. Mrs. Miller and a nephew, J. E. Holub, were with him at the end.

Mr. Miller was a native Californian and was widely known as a man of wealth and success in banking, ranching, stock raising and horse breeding, his modest operations in the latter having met with a success that carried his name far and wide among horsemen. Katalina 2:11¼, Chiquito 2:10, Choro Prince 2:08¾ and other lesser lights of the turf carried his colors to the front over coast tracks, but the youngsters of his own breeding were the campaigners that brough him the greatest fame as a horseman. The first of these to achieve prominence was Capitola, the produce of Lulu Mack to the cover of Dan Logan. As a two-year-old her record of 2:17¾ stood as the season's best performance for fillies of the age and gait, and as a three-year-old she won straight through her short campaign and reduced her record to 2:14½. Closely following Capitola's success in 1912, John Malcolm, also bred by Mr. Miller, won the two-year-old pacing division of the Breeders Futurity at Santa Rosa and in so doing established the then world's record of 2:11½ for two-year-old pacing geldings. Bondaline, his most recent starter, won one heat and second money in the two-year-old pace of the Breeders Futurity at Salinas last year, proving his speed and gameness by going the race on three legs. Save for his untimely death Mr. Miller would doubtless have had the pleasure of winning further laurels this season with the horses in Loren Daniel's care owned largely in partnership with the latter.

Commenting on his death, the Chico Record says in part, that Mr. Miller had been one of the most active men in Butte county, mentally and physically. He was a prodigious worker and personally directed his wide and varied interests. He had been president of the First National Bank of Chico for four years and was a director of the people's Commercial and Savings Bank. He owned a fine ranch of 1200 acres a few miles south of Chico, on which he made his home for ten years up to the time he came to Chico to reside four years ago. His other holdings included a tract of 2,100 acres in Glenn county, 8000 acres of grazing and farming land near Pentz, and a half interest in the Union Hotel property in Chico.

Although a young man when death came, for more than twenty years he had been active in the direction of large affairs. When but twenty-one years old he assumed active management of the estates of his father, Joseph Miller, and his uncle, Wendelin Miller, and in those years he greatly increased the Miller estates. Mr. Miller, enterprising and energetic, was a producer. His wealth always was active and, believing in the future of Butte county and the Sacramento valley, he invested his capital there. His life was an example which any young man might well follow. He was honest and upright, his word was his bond.

He was a man of warm impulse, true to his friends and whose great wealth developed no unpleasant characteristics. As a citizen, he was one of whom any city or town might well be proud. He supported many civic improvements and his progressive ideas brought him to the front rank of projects looking toward municipal improvements, as well as of business enterprises which fathered community development.

Wendelin J. Miller was born August 27, 1873, at Frenchtown, Butte county, near Yankee Hill. His father, Joseph Miller, was a native of Germany, who came to the United States in 1856 and to California in 1858, becoming a pioneer stockman and butcher of Butte county, and his mother was Julia A. Benjamin, a native of Wales, who died in Chico almost two years ago.

Brook Nook and Ruby Dell

Last of the Great Horse Farms of the Northwest

Thirty years ago or more in the Silver Bow mining country in Montana, by the sale of the St. Lawrence mine, were engendered the plans whose fulfillment gave to the Northwest her greatest plant for the production of the light harness horse. Emboldened by the success of his venture in the St. Lawrence, its late owner determined to put his all at stake in the test of a profound and deepseated theory of his own evolution concerning the trend of the big vein of copper bearing ore (above which is reared the city of Butte) after it left the hill. Down "on the flat" he erected his plant and went quietly and doggedly about his task, in the face of adverse advice of friend and mining expert, of engineer and geologist. He had made up his mind where the vein should be, and there would he sink his shaft, not elsewhere. Day by day as time passed on the bucket cables lengthened—and the working funds sank lower. Day by day the silent miner was urged to quit his foolishness while he yet had the means to relocate in a more auspicious spot. Argument proved futile, and at last friend and wellwisher left him to go his way to certain ruin. Deeper and deeper went the shaft, lower and lower sank the operator's resources, until the day was almost in sight when work would stop for lack of funds—and then the bucket brought up something that was not as other bucket loads had been. The Mountain View had become a producer. In 1887 the property was purchased by the coalition of great copper interests, and the name of Charles Xavier Larrabee was added to the roster of American millionaires.

Most men newly enriched plunge into excesses of some description, or at least into the indulgence of certain previously prohibited desires and inclinations, and in this matter Mr. Larrabee was no exception, as one of his first acts was to lay the basis for his entrance into the ranks of great horse breeders, his prevailing "weakness" at all times in his life being his great love for a good horse. Not far from the mouth of Alder Gulch—far famed as the world's greatest bonanza placer camp in many a generation—he purchased the first tract of the thousand fertile acres that compose the present Ruby Dell ranch, and went in person to the hills of Vermont for the horses to stock it with, returning with a band of choice mares that were, principally, members of Vermont's great family of the Morgan. The Morgan stallion Prospect that had been brought to Montana in 1882 by Robert Vaughn of Sun River was the first premier of Ruby Dell, where he was later kept company by a son of Commodore Belmont and a son of Tempest, both bred in Montana at Belmont Park by Colonel W. H. Raymond. Prospect was never kept at Brook Nook, though numerous of the ranch's produce today carry a cross to him, and Old Glory, the famous Jubilee de Jarnette show gelding owned by J. D. Farrell of Portland, is out of one of his daughters.

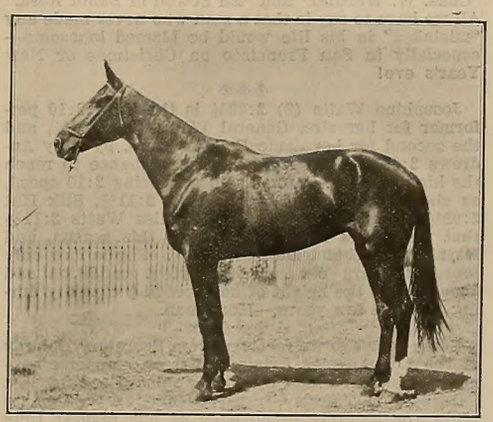
In 1889 Mr. Larrabee extended his operations to the upper valley of the Ruby—known locally to old timers as the Stinkwater and officially as the Pasamari—which had long been famous as a horse producing country, and under the shelter of the points of the benches on Greenhorn creek began the construction of the headquarters plant that today presents the appearance of a rural "settlement" and is known, with the fifteen thousand acres lying under its fences, as Brook Nook. No place could be named more appropriately; no matter where you may be on the ranch you are not far removed from either cozy nook or tumbling brook, for within the confines of its outer boundaries is embraced the meeting place of many waters, waters that, flowing in inexhaustible volume from the springs and snowbanks in the fastnesses of the Snow Crests and the Tobaccoroots, not merely slake the thirst of man and beast with cold, sparkling draughts, but bring to the thirsting thousands of acres in valley and on bench the blessed moisture that by its benign influence clothes their nakedness here with the verdure of alfalfa and the native grasses, there with the shimmering gold of ripened grain.

With his enlarged facilities Mr. Larrabee began levying on both east and west for breeding stock that suited his particular fancy. Mares by Electioneer, Monbells, Ansel and other California sires found their way to Brook Nook, as did those from Kentucky's greatest farms. A little band of eight or ten daughters of Altamont played an important part in the history of the ranch, and the original Morgan matrons received additions from time to time of sisters of similar blood strains, as Mr. Larrabee was ever a friend to the Morgan, and was its largest breeder. Brook Nook matrons were sent on long journeys to the courts of Red Wilkes, Allie Wilkes, Robert McGregor, Wilkes Boy and others of their kind in Kentucky.

Shortly after Brook Nook was comfortably established, Mr. Larrabee purchased of Col. Raymond the stallion that had long been the premier at Belmont Park, Commodore Belmont. In 1892 came Alaska, from the Haggin establishment; in 1895 Alcone, for whom his owner had a most profound regard; late in the nineties, Alfonso, and a few years later The King Red, the present head of the stud. Other standard stallions owned at the ranch were Keeler, Allouez, Special Telegram, Vice Regent, and sons of Norval, Simmons, Wilkes Boy and Allie Wilkes were at various times in service but disposed of as not being quite up to requirements. Stallions of home production were also used, of which the very best is Letrado (3) 2:25, at present in service, and whom Mr. Henry L. Miller, the superintendent, regards as the equal of any sire owned on the ranch in his time, which covers the larger portion of a decade.

Among the Morgans Mr. Larrabee has always had the best the country afforded. Lambert Boy spent some years at the ranch, as did the great show horse and sire of show horses, Jubilee de Jarnette 2:29¼. Spokane 2:15¾, a "standard bred Morgan," being registered both ways, was a good trotter and a sire of quality, and in the purchase early this year of Frank Allen 4694 A. M. R. the ranch became owner of what is conceded to be one of the very finest and truest types of the Morgan of today. Unfortunately Mr. Larrabee did not live to see the horse after he came west.

In the matter of speed, considering the number of animals yearly produced, Brook Nook has established no wonderful record as records go these days, but at that she has furnished some most excellent racing timber, has produced the champion show horses of the northwest with unfailing regularity, and has sent out into the world thousands of individuals of the very highest type of equine beauty and general usefulness. Up until the middle nineties or a bit later Mr. Larrabee raced a modest stable and intended constructing a covered track at the ranch so that his youngsters might receive their necessary education and training, but unfortunate experiences with the wrong kind of trainer turned him against the racing end of the game and he devoted his efforts solely to breeding. Usually a few youngsters were worked lightly and given records at the state fair at Helena, or sold privately at the ranch, and in this manner some excellent racing material has been uncovered. I am sure that in Letrado (3) 2:25 (by Alcone and out of Lilili by Alfonso 2:29¾, second dam L'Oriol by Red Wilkes, etc.) Mr. Larrabee bred the greatest colt trotter ever foaled in the northwest, for if any horse of that section ever had the genuine qualifications of a good one, Letrado is that one. Both Mr. Miller and Howard Vinson, as well as S. E. Larrabee, urged strongly that he be sent east and "given a chance," but Mr. Larrabee would not depart from his usual custom and the boy was given a time record of 2:25 in the mud at Helena. As a sire he is amply justifying his owner's course in reserving him for stud duty, and Mr. Miller writes glowingly of his youngsters. It was also Mr. Larrabee's practice to take a small stable to Oregon, where he could see them occasionally and have them developed for sale, usually by the Lindseys.



SEA WAIF

by The King Red—Sea Queen by Vice Regent. A Brook Nook product and P.-P. I. E. stake entry owned by Hugo Schmidt, Spokane.

Had Mr. Larrabee adhered to his original plans, I am very confident that Brook Nook would have sent many winning campaigners to the races, and attained a truly enviable standing among the leading speed nurseries of the world, for the material to work on most certainly was at all times at hand.

Many "paper breeders" have thrown up their hands in horror after a perusal of certain Brook Nook pedigrees wherein were mingled and countermingled, crossed and again crossed, the blood of the trotter and the Morgan. Whether or not the extensive crossing of the two strains was a portion of Mr. Larrabee's original intentions I am not aware, but with racing foresworn and the establishment's main aim the production of a horse of a certain standard of individual excellence, the families were thoroughly crossed with gratifying results. Visitors to the ranch who are qualified to speak with authority on the subject state that there is no more uniformly excellent band of horses, in conformation, color and action, at any breeding establishment of magnitude in the range of their acquaintance. They cleaned up most of the show classes at the Lewis and Clark exposition at Portland, the Brook Nook mare Alondra being the grand champion of the event, and ribbons have come their way at Madison Square Garden. Before Mr. Larrabee's death he had planned to fit for the Panama-Pacific show rings at least a car load of his representative youngsters, and it is hoped that the estate will carry out his plans.

Brook Nook and Ruby Dell at present support in excess of six hundred horses, in addition to the considerable array of work animals necessary for the operations of haying, grain raising, and feeding during the winter. Crops of fifteen thousand bushels of oats and twelve to sixteen hundred tons of hay are about the usual run—and such oats! Southern Montana is famous for the oats it sends to the cereal factories of the east, and none of the exported product exceed in quality that used on the Larrabee ranches for the regular "three-a-day." I have fed my saddle pony at either ranch on oats that frequently weighed 48 to 52 pounds to the bushel.

In addition to his horses, Mr. Larrabee's great pride lay in the herd of some three hundred registered Shorthorn cattle he had established at Brook Nook, the foundation stock coming, I think, from the Grassmere herds of William Warfield in Kentucky, new bulls being brought into service as needed from among the best strains obtainable. There is a wide demand throughout the northwest for Brook Nook bulls at a most excellent price.

Mr. Larrabee's death last fall robbed the American light harness horse of one of its very staunchest friends, and the country at large of a most esteemed citizen and a thoroughly successful, unassuming gentleman. Like most men of success in large ventures his personal characteristics and ideas along his favorite subjects for consideration were most pronounced, and he asked no man to do his thinking. Once a satisfactory mutual understanding existed between himself and his lieutenants, however, there ensued in every case a long and intimate connection. His leading men of affairs are men who have, for the greater part, grown old in his service.

Unlike many great ranch properties that have not long remained intact following the death of the master, Brook Nook and Ruby Dell will retain their present identity for at least some years to come, though the stock may be disposed of and the lands leased en masse. It was always the deepest wish of the owner, in which Mrs. Larrabee heartily concurred, that one or both of his sons develop a love and an aptitude for extensive farming and stock raising, and it is not probable that the properties will in any way be altered in extent until the day arrives that the sons are grown to manhood and give the word to put them on the market. Mr. Larrabee left a large fortune which bore no taint of frenzied finance, and the boys may choose any course in life so far as their financial resources are concerned.

Of the many members of the fraternity of "trotting hoss writers" who have visited Brook Nook and Ruby Dell ranches and subsequently devoted space to their description, probably none are so familiar with the "home life" of the place as myself, as it was my fortune to live for some years in the Ruby Basin, and at different times to be connected in some temporary capacity with Brook Nook—in the breaking barn, delivering shippers and scrappy young studs at the end of the railroad, or handling the dry bunch on the open range some twenty miles deeper in the hills. It is a case of home, sweet home for me. Put me down anywhere in Montana south from Sheridan to Monida and I'll show you where to put your horse and what part of the table to get your feet under. Perhaps that explains my weakness for "visiting" with Brook Nook horses whenever I run across them in my travels, and why I hope strongly that Young Charley or Ned may see fit to perpetuate the name of Larrabee among the great horse breeders of America.—[Neal.]

Some weeks ago at the International 1:55 Farm at Savage, Minn., grand old Effie Powers 2:08¼ answered the last call and said good by to a world in which for years she had played a promising part. "Aunt Effie," as the daughter of Anderson Wilkes and Fannie Powers was known affectionately by "the boys," started on her long and illustrious career in 1893, being at that time a three-year-old, and that season secured a record of 2:12¾ in a winning race with aged performers, which at that period was an exceptionally meritorious performance. As a four-year-old, she reduced her record to 2:10½; as a five-year-old, she together with Pretoria Wilkes 2:13½, placed the team record for pacers at 2:12¾ and it remained the world's record for about a month. In 1896 she won nine firsts, five seconds, a third and fourth out of fourteen starts, reducing her mark to 2:10¼. From that season on, she continued to race with great consistency, engaging in not far from a hundred and fifty races during her public career. After being purchased by Mr. Savage, she was shortly retired and during the remainder of her life produced three foals; two of them, Liberty Patch 2:08¾ and Power Patch 2:09¼, entered the 2:10 list this season, and the other, Cavalier Patch, now the property of H. D. Sober of Tarentum, Pa., will ultimately do likewise, as he displayed extreme speed before meeting with an accident which caused his training to be discontinued temporarily.

NOTES and NEWS

Winter.
Zero weather.
And a bit of sleighing.

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So reads the Horse Review's salutation in the "T. and P." department.

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Ours is a bit different. Scratch out the above and pretend this is the head of the column:

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Winter time.
Pleasant weather.
And some fast matineeing.

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And then add this:
Green grass on the range.
Wheat and barley looking fine.
Alfalfa making mighty nice pasture.

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Give the grazing bands a bit more salt—fresh green feed is pretty soft.

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And then peel an eye at these two "side by each":

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Chicago, Dec. 26, six below zero!

Riverside, Dec. 26, San Jacinto lowers track pacing record to 2:09½!

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There were places steen degrees colder than Chicago on that day "down east," but Chicago will do for comparison.

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Do you blame us for picking on Chicago? Look at what John C. Bauer sprung in the Christmas Horse Review:

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"Chicago has a world-wide reputation as a climatic paradise. (You gentlemen of California and Florida please keep quiet)."

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Well, who said anything?

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Anyway "we ain't no gentleman"—just plain Bill—so that lets us out.

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When we win one more heat we will be "Sheparded" and go to the barn!

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Who put Maymack in the world's record list?

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Hush, chile; Charlie de rider, ob course!

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Get the hook!

We'd rather have that than be "Sheparded," anyway.

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The printer is to blame for this—he wanted something right quick to fill up a hole in the last form, and New Year's eve coming on right now.

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He says two more lines will do.

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Two lines? Thank heaven for that!

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We heard you say amen! (That's the two.)

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And one for luck—Happy New Year!

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Dan Hanna of Cleveland, Ohio, long time friend of the trotter and prominent road and matinee driver, spent a few pleasant hours in San Francisco recently, en route home from a trip to Honolulu.

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The hoof-and-mouth outbreak has caused the Canadians to quarantine against United States horses, so that they will be unable to compete in the winter program of ice racing.

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California horses and horsemen lost a mighty good and valued friend last Saturday when death claimed Wendelin J. Miller of Chico, breeder of the pacing champions Capitola and John Malcolm. More fitting note of our misfortune appears elsewhere.

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Mrs. Anita Baldwin McClaughry, daughter of the late Lucky Baldwin, has applied for and been granted the registration of a number of thoroughbreds bred at Santa Anita, which leads to the inference that she may race a stable of horses from the old place that produced so many sensational winners.

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Eastern rumor has it that Vance Nuckols will apply to the civil courts for relief from the penalty of expulsion recently imposed by the trotting tribunal. Our guess is that Vance will in no way hasten his reinstatement by such a course.

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Will Hall, the Chronicle's former handicapper who has been doping them out on the Canadian circuits and in the east this season, has been spending the holidays with San Francisco friends and reports that thoroughbred racing is coming back strong in the sections visited. He is most optimistic over the outlook at New Orleans, and will probably go there to take in the "business men's meeting" which is scheduled for the forty days following January first.

Ed Geers took J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08 to Memphis to sample for next year, and the son of Bingen evidently still "has it with him" as he worked recently in 2:12½ for the G. O. M.

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"Diamond Joe" Costen, a familiar figure to followers of the Grand Circuit for many years, died recently at the Hotel Breslin in New York. The safe in the office held $30,000 in diamonds for him at the time of his death, and his trunk revealed several thousand dollars in large bills, checks, and other valuables.

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E. R. Dunn of Seattle who is wintering at San Jose, was among our callers this week and speaks enthusiastically of the spirit of enterprise displayed by the the second for her dam Bell Andrews, by Billy Andrew track manager, T. O. Webber, as Mr. Dunn states that there is a marked improvement in the methods of running the grounds from end to end.

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The Nelson controversy is raging with unabated violence in Chicago, in spite of the recent cold spell. The bike folks have brought up more of their heavy artillery, and the high wheel advocates have made numerous sorties with their cavalry, backed by a number of bomb spilling airmen. When will this crool war be over?

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Duke of Ormonde, the seven-year-old son of Orsini-Santa Bella, has been purchased from the estate of the late Wm. O'B. Macdonough by Garret D. Wilson of Kentucky. Only six of the 1912 foals by Duke of Ormonde were registered, and of these but two were started in 1914, one being the winner Andromeda. W. M. Wallace is reported to have refused an offer of $6000 for the Duke of Ormonde—Gold Lace yearling purchased at auction last September for $900.

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Last week we wrote "Alarich, bred by Chas. W. Winter of Alhambra and at present the property of Wm. Loftus of Whittier," and also referred to "Ed Sewell of Santa Paula," but the "jinx" caught us in the Christmas hurry and it appeared in print as "Chas. W. Whittier" and "Ed Sewell of Santa Rosa." All we have to say is that a man who never made any "mistakes" in his life would be blamed lonesome—especially in San Francisco on Christmas or New Year's eve!

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Josephine Watts (3) 2:09½ is the third 2:10 performer for her sire, General Watts (3) 2:06¾, and the second for her dame Bell Andrews, by Billy Andrews 2:06¼. Bell Andrews has a chance to reach the high mark of Paronella in producing 2:10 speed, as she is the dam of Bierne Holt 2:11½, Silk Hat 2:09½, Josephine Watts 2:09½, Miss Watts 2:11½ that was timed in 2:07 in a race this season, and Royal Watts that trialed in 2:12¼. She is now only fourteen years old ,and in perfect condition and should be at the height of her breeding capacity during the next few years.—Horseman.

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Some days ago we received from Secretary Delorey of the Los Angeles Driving Club an extensive program of events which the club proposed staging last Saturday or Tuesday, rains permitting. Going to press considerably in advance of our regular time we have not yet learned whether the meeting was held as planned, but if so we will have a complete account next week. At all events we hope it was held before the end of the year on a good track, as in that case California had an almost sure new 2:10 trotter, and a good chance to regain the pacing championship for three-year-old geldings.

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William Morrison, Elmo Montgomery's right hand man in the training and racing business, dropped in to say hello Tuesday and impart the news that Jim Logan 2:01¾ and Lock Logan are "back at the old stand" at Woodland where they will shortly be joined by the youngsters that Elmo has been jogging at home. It was the original intention to winter at Sacramento, but considerable inconvenience was experienced by Mr. Montgomery in making the frequent round trips from his home to the State fair grounds track, hence the move back to Woodland, easily reached by auto from the Montgomery ranch at Davis. Woodland didn't seem exactly natural without them, anyway.

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At the Columbus Driving Park they are racing over the ice, with the footing nightly restored by an application of a liberal dose of water spilled from the old reliable sprinkler. In this way a coating of several inches of ice has been laid in the straightaway and eighths are being reeled off on both side of :15. This is one branch of winter sports we are compelled to foreswear, but we 'spose we'll "manage to make out" with matinee pacers hitting the good old plain dirt faster than 2:10. Then the chariot races and battle of roses at Pasadena helped out some, and there are more matinees we haven't heard from yet. It's hard, of course, but we'll manage to pull through someway on our own brand of midsummer winter sports.

TODAY!

Three per cent entries close for the $20,000 Panama-Pacific stakes for 2:10 trotters and 2:06 pacers. F. W. Kelley, Sec., 610 Exposition Building, San Francisco.

Make entries for the Occident Stake of 1917, for trotting foals of 1914. Chas. W. Paine, Sec., Sacramento, Cal.

The program announced for the winter meeting of the Cuban-American Jockey Club provides purses ranging from $500 to $1000 for the main events, racing commencing January 7 and continuing for sixty days. P. A. Brady is to be the presiding judge, James Milton starter, and T. C. McDowell, W. P. Burch and C. H. Lansdale the stewards.

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The heavy rains caused racing at Juarez to be postponed for several days this week, but the weather is not the only game that the association there is up against. Attendance has been poor, with the betting very light owing to dissatisfaction with the syndicate's odds. It is also rumored that Mexican authorities are interested in an outside book which accepts wagers on Juarez entries and for other points as well, and present indications are that the meeting may be cut to fifty days.

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Secretary Delorey drops us a line from Los Angeles to the effect that the McDonald stable is quartered at Exposition Park, and that both Mr. McDonald and Assistant Trainer Ed Avery are more than pleased with the winter climate and the track and stable facilities offered by the Los Angeles plant, and well they may be, for the track is the peer of any for winter work and the stables provide solid comfort and convenience. Star Winter 2:05, McCloskey 2:06¼, The Duchess 2:07¼, Laramie Lad 2:09½, Adbell M. 2:09¾, Baron Todd 2:11¼ and Margot Hal 2:04¼ are the members of the stable that are attracting the most attention, and the entire string is in the pink of condition. Mr. McDonald and family are comfortably located at 730 Carondelet street, and with the winter delights for which California is noted to engage their leisure hours it is quite probable that the exposition trots will come all too soon for their pleasure.

CHICO TRACK PASSES OUT.

The course that has been foreseen for some time concerning the old "Speedway track" at Chico has at last been taken, and within a short time the parceling out of the famous grounds to individual buyers of small tracts will have begun and the Speedway will be no more. Trials and troubles a-many have beset the Chico track in recent years, and since 1911 there has been no meeting given there. For the last year or so the grounds have been preserved intact largely through the efforts of the late W. J. Miller and Loren B. Daniels, who have used it as a training ground. Mr. Daniels shifted his headquarters to Sacramento, and a few days ago title to the grounds reverted to the original owner, J. F. Entler, and the work of subdividing it into ten-acre tracts was immediately gotten under way. It is understood that existing improvements will go with the grounds, so that new owners of some tracts will find considerable building material right at hand.

The grounds at Chico are convenient, nicely improved, the grandstand is a commodious double-decker, and the track is one of the best on the coast. It has been the scene of some historic battles, and its passing is regrettable but inevitable under existing conditions in California, as the land value is very high and its earning capacity as a fair grounds or racing plant practically nothing. The association has tried hard to hang on until relief was in sight either in the shape of a district fair appropriation or the restoration of pool selling, but were forced to give up the struggle.

Chico and Butte county are "trackless"—and some day a racing plant will have to be built all over again. Here's hopin', anyway—and the old gal cashes in with her boots on, which helps her memory!

DENMARK PROHIBITS EXPORT OF HORSES.

Copenhagen, Dec. 26.—The export of horses from this country has now been totally prohibited, after various restrictions previously published had not had the desired effect. The number of horses which have been exported to Germany since August cannot be given. The statistical department has been forbidden to answer the question, but in circles that ought to know—that is to say the trade—the figures are estimated at 100,000. Denmark is a horsebreeding country, but the annual export under normal conditions rarely exceeds 30,000. Despite the huge export, there is no scarcity here, and the farmer and the army have all the horses they want. Complaints are made that the government did not put an export duty upon horses when the boom commenced, for without affecting the export such a tax would have brought a large sum into the exchequer. As it is, enormous profits have been reaped by private individuals, who took advantage of Germany's embarrassment, knowing that money was no object. German buyers have now left for Norway and Sweden, where the export of horses has not yet been prohibited.—Press Dispatch.

All of which is both interesting and instructive, and is simply so much more evidence in support of the contention that we have made ever since the opening of hostilities, that the horse breeders of America are on the eve of the greatest period of prosperity that they have known in many, many years. Sell all the geldings or scrub mares you will, but hold onto your matrons of any degree of desirability, breed them to the very best stallion you have access to—and in this day and age almost every locality affords a few good sires—and you will be amply repaid in future cash returns.

THE NESMITH YOUNGSTERS OF THE CLAY EDWIN FAMILY.

Writing from Los Angeles concerning the nearly a score of youngsters at his establishment that are descendants of the dead Clay Edwin 0972 (full brother to Edwin Clay 2:08¾ and Amber G. 2:13¼), Mr. Wm. H. Nesmith states that in over forty years of intimate connection with the breeding industry he has never struck a bunch like them, as he has yet to put the harness on a poor one or one that does not possess natural speed. Some of the family were bred by him at his former home in Chillicothe, Missouri, but quite a number have been foaled since he has been a resident of California.

Julia Clay has held the Pasadena track record for over two years, her two circuits of that oval standing as a matinee mark for Southern California. Her best mile since has been in 2:08, last half in 1:03½, last quarter in :29¾. Just before the recent rains Mr. Nesmith gave her a week's light jogging and an easy workout, and three days later she stepped the last half of a second mile easily and of her own free will in 1:05. Her pilot is confident of going the route this season in 2:05, so she ought to make them trot to beat her when she starts for the money.

In Happy Clay Mr. Nesmith has developed a double gaited chap that takes kindly to either way of going. Originally put to pacing he soon stepped quarters in :30 and halves in 1:04; put to trotting he went the route in 2:19, half in 1:06, during his fifth workout, and later worked three heats at the trot in 2:16, 2:16 and 2:17. After he had not paced for over a year Mr. Nesmith tried a little experiment with him and paced him a mile in time of his own choosing in 2:15; twenty-five minutes later he came back out carrying five ounces more weight and with his head lowered and without urging by whip or tongue trotted a mile in the same notch. Three days afterward at Pasadena in a matinee he won a sixty-five dollar harness as a trotter, defeating Alarich, St. Patrick, and other good ones.

Clay Bell, a full sister to Julia Clay and a year younger, with short work paced quarters in :32, and put to trotting turned her fifth workout in 2:26, half in 1:11. Happy Clay, full brother to these two, early in his work trotted miles in 2:24, with quarters in :35. King Clay, at two and a half years, with thirty days' jogging to cart, paced in 2:29 at his third hitch to a bike, and has since turned the trick in 2:16½, half in 1:05, quarter in :32, and eighth in :14¾, so that it looks like a case of "there with the goods" for him.

Mannie Clay with little work paced quarters in :36 as a three-year-old, and Imbro Clay, three years old, the only son of Imbro 2:12¼ and out of Bedelia Clay, has had but little and infrequent work, but a few days ago trotted quarters in :36. Bedelia Clay and Birdie Clay were barely broken to harness when they trotted below three minutes, and the remaining youngsters all show equal promise. Though a long time breeder, the education of the Clay Edwins has been Mr. Nesmith's first active training in person, and the results attained are certainly gratifying.

In addition to these Mr. Nesmith is handling his fast Star Pointer—Direct stallion King Lilly Pointer and four youngsters by him from Clay mares.

FASIG-TIPTON CO. MAKE RUSSIAN SHIPMENT.

American breeders who have figured that the European market for our trotters is entirely shut off owing to the war will learn with surprise of the recent shipment made by the Fasig-Tipton Company via the Wilson line to Hull, England, from where the journey will be completed to Russia by way of Norway. The "personnel" of the consignment is as follows:

Stallions.

Vice Commodore 2:11 (sire), b. h., foaled 1901, by Bingen 2:06¼, dam Narion, by Arion 2:07¾; second dam Nancy Hanks 2:04.

Del Coronado 2:09¾ (sire), by McKinney 2:11¼, dam Johannah Treat, by Thomas Rysdyk. Brown stallion. Foaled 1897.

Zolock, pacer, 2:05¼ (sire), b. h., foaled 1895, by McKinney 2:11¼, dam Gazelle 2:11½ (dam of Zephyr 2:07¼, etc.), by Gossiper.

Cascade 2:06¾, ch. h., foaled 1907, by The Peer 2:15¾, dam Cuneiform, by Lord Russell.

Memaster 2:11 (sire), br. h., foaled 1903, by Moko, dam Ozama (dam of Ozanam 2:07, etc.), by Director 2:17.

Mares.

Miss Adbell, pacer, 2:06¼, b. m., foaled 1902, by Adbell 2:23, dam Luzelle (dam of Borazelle 2:09¼, etc.), by Patron 2:14¼.

Icon 2:10, b. m., foaled 1902, by Peter the Great 2:07¼, dam Alberta by Albert W.

La Boudie 2:10, b. m., foaled 1903, by Wilask 2:11, dam Resemble, by Earl.

Carmen McCan, pacer, 2:09½, br. m., foaled 1905, by The Bondsman, dam Peekaboo, by Kaiser.

Neva 2:10¼, br. m., foaled 1903, by Kellar 2:16¼, dam Eda Orr 2:16½, by Atwood. In foal to Silent Brigade 2, 2:10¾.

Tuna 2:08¼ (dam of Tuna Z., 3, 2:12¼), b. m., foaled 1900, by James Madison 2:17¾, dam Ituna, by Steinway. In foal to Dillon Axworthy 3, 2:10¼.

California is more than well represented, and it is hoped that our old campaigners will arrive safely at their new homes across the sea. The fact that the big horse dealers are able to market horses of this caliber abroad in spite of the conflict that has embroiled the other half of the world is most excellent proof of the hold the American trotter has gained in foreign lands to which he has been introduced.

DEATH OF JOHN H. SHULTS.

John H. Shults, the widely known breeder, died at his apartment in the Murray Hill Hotel, New York, on Thursday night, Dec. 10, after an illness from pneumonia of but six days' duration. He was stricken with the disease on Dec. 5 when about ready to journey with his family to the south for the winter.

Mr. Shults was born in Germany about seventy-nine years ago and came to this country when only fifteen years of age. He commenced his career as a baker, and by dint of great energy he successfully established the greatest bread making industry in the country. He later organized the Shults Bread Company, with a capital of $6,000,000. For some years past he has not been in active business.

He had been one of the best patrons of the trotting industry in the United States, and at one time one of the country's biggest breeders. He made a sensation when he bought the stallion Pancoast 2:21¾, about 1886, for $28,000. This was the first really noted horse purchase Mr. Shults made, and it marked the beginning of the later world's noted breeding establishments of Shultshurst and Parkville Farms, at Port Chester and Brooklyn, N. Y. In 1889 he paid $8,500 for the yearling colt Baron Rose, son of Stamboul 2:07½ and Minnehaha, which at that time was the largest auction price paid for a youngster of similar age. Baron Rose obtained a four-year-old record of 2:29¾, but proved a disappointment in the stud, although the precocious stallion was a sire at the early age of six years. He bought the now great family establisher, Axworthy (3) 2:15½, as a colt, developed him into a noted sire, and sold him some years later to William Simpson, of New York, for $21,000. Axworthy was the greatest stallion that Mr. Shults placed upon his notable farm. His successful rising young son, Guy Axworthy (4) 2:08¾, was bred at Shultshurst Farm, which is probably the best trotter raised by Mr. Shults. During the same quarter of a century life of the Parkville Farm, Mr. Shults employed many of the best trainers and drivers in the business, having in his employment at one time more than one noted trainer. Chas. G. Moser, Andy McDowell, Al. Thomas, W. W. Shuitt, Mart Devery, John Cheeney, Frank Philips, John Driscoll, and many others aided materially in creating the great breeding establishment.

Some years ago Mr. Shults sold his Parkville farm for about a million and a half dollars. The last horse bought by the prominent breeder was the yearling colt Junior Stokes (1) 2:20¼, (3) 2:19¼, by Peter the Great 2:07¼; dam Tillie Thompson, which was sold in the Old Glory sale of 1912, for the sum of $2,600. Although Mr. Shults has not been actively engaged in his hobby to any pretentious extent for the past few years, his large breeding operations produced many trotters whose representatives are among the big winners of the turf for some years, and that will likely continue as such for decades to come.

Mr. Shults' demise takes one of America's old-time and greatest breeders. He is survived by a wife and daughter.—Horse Review.

PROPOSED CHANGES IN GRAND CIRCUIT RULES.

The Grand Circuit rules committee met December 22 in Cleveland to consider the plan of conducting racing on the big line in 1915, and will present a number of recommendations to the stewards of the circuit when they assemble in the course of the next few days at Detroit. Several important matters were discussed, and the committee submits these proposals to the governing body:

First it is proposed that the Grand Circuit have charge of the judges' stand and that section 2 of article 11 shall read hereafter:

"The stewards shall appoint a starter and judges for the circuit and the expense of the same shall be assessed pro rata upon the members which are assigned dates at the annual meeting."

In order to eliminate all trifling with the present race record rule the committee requests that the parent racing associations shall amend the win-race rule to give the judges of a race the power to inflict an eligibility record on a horse which wins a heat but does not win the race, providing the judges believe that the driver intentionally lost the race.

Entries to all races will be limited to not more than two horses from an actual owner or from an authorized agent.

In all early closing events horses must have a win record which makes said horse eligible to the event, and no horse shall be eligible whose non-winning race record (heat record) is faster than the record defined by the class of the said early closing event.

One horse may be named in two races during the same week for a total of 7 per cent, but must pay full 5 per cent for every start.

Hereafter racing conditions must specify if two or more horses from the same stable shall be allowed to start in the same race.

Race allowances of 1914 shall be continued in 1915, if claimed at time entry is made. This includes the four second allowance, earned by not finishing within the money.

The above alterations are either additions or modifications to the present code, but the following recommendation is an innovation to racing methods.

After a long debate the committee was unanimous in recommending that each member of the Grand Circuit should try out the four-heat race as proposed by H. D. Sheppard, secretary of the Columbus Driving Club, discussed elsewhere in this issue.

MATINEE AT RIVERSIDE.

While the Atlantic seaboard and the central west were gripped by the coldest weather experienced in years on the day after Christmas, things went on much as usual in California. A welcome rain visited portions of the state, but down at Riverside they celebrated the 26th of December with a rousing matinee, the first of such events held over the new track. Five classes and a special filled out a nice program, and the time in the special speaks pretty well both for track and weather conditions, as San Jacinto established a new pacing record for the track of 2:09½, the former record being 2:11¾, that being the fastest heat paced by Della H. at the fair last fall. G. H. Judd's May D. annexed the 2:35, best time 2:32; Ula Tolus (O. E. Folk), the free-for-all trot, best time 2:15; Frank H. Holloway (Hemet Stock Farm), the 2:24 mixed, best time 2:25; Halo (Perry Patton), the 2:20 hobbled pace, best time 2:22½, and Hi Yu (C. D. Hatch), the 2:35 trot, best time 2:31.

CALIFORNIA THOROUGHBREDS SELL WELL AT CHARLESTON.

That thoroughbreds are coming into their own again in pretty fair shape was evidenced in the recent sale at Charleston, S. C., of a number of yearlings and horses in training from the stables of Lawrence & Comstock, largely the product of their Oakwood Stock Ranch in Placer county The yearlings sold as follows: Black filly by Joe Carey—Bonnie Lissak, $1250; bay colt by Salvation—Mi Reina, $1200; bay colt by Tim Payne—Arcadia Belle, $1150; chestnut colt by Salvation—Illusion, $750; chestnut filly by Salvation—Escarola, $625; bay colt by Joe Carey—Sain Shot, $350; bay colt by Tim Payne—La Poeta, $275; bay filly by Salvation—La Reine Empress, $250; chestnut colt by Salvation—El Sonora, $200; bay filly by Tim Payne—Directa, $125; bay filly by Tim Payne—Ardiente, $100; brown colt by Joe Carey—Sula H., $100; bay filly by Tim Payne—Dally, $70. The horses in training brought these prices (the first three bred by A. B. Spreckels): Valas, b g (2) by Puryear D.—Olathe, $1025; Saturnus, ch c (2) by Solitaire II—Formella, $600; Al Bloch, br c (4) by Voorhees—Georgia VI, $425; Travel Light, b m (5) by Jean Beraud—Little Hackney, $100; Candleman, b c (2) by Extinguisher—Alma K., $40.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR HORSES OR COBS FOR THE BRITISH ARMY.

Previous operations in "army stock" by even fairly experienced horsemen have proven that choosing riders and gunners and marketing them at a big profit is no royal road to fortune, as in many instances the large percentage of rejections at the final inspection has knocked profit "galley west." That buyers or owners may pass judgment intelligently on animals they propose buying or selling, we present the following latest British requirements and grounds for rejection, for which we are indebted to Dr. Dalziel:

Example: For Active Service:

Height (without shoes), 14½ to 16½ hands. (5% grays.) Age, 5 to 10 years.

Riding Cobs (not ponies), geldings and mares (not in foal) in fair flesh and condition, able to carry 210 lbs., under active service conditions.

Sound in action, wind, eyes; practically sound otherwise.

Strong, active and sufficiently fast.

Good constitution.

Short, well-shaped back and legs.

Roomy, well ribbed.

Good, clear, straight action.

Strong, clean legs and feet, properly shaped and placed.

Quiet, without vice, well broken and mouthed.

Teeth complete, well shaped, not tampered with.

Color, not very light gray or white.

The remount officer is the sole judge as to suitability.

Grounds for rejecting any horse, no matter what his other conformation may be:

(a) Small, weak quarters.
(b) Flat sides (having due regard, however, to the country in which they are bought).
(c) Long, weak, bending pasterns.
(d) Split up and leggy or both.
(e) Small joints.
(f) Close hocks or action.
(g) Legs not being well placed.
(h) Any mark of brushing which is not clearly due to bad shoeing.
(i) Any indication of weak constitution.
(j) Very straight pasterns.
(k) Small or uneven feet.
(l) Vice of any kind.
(m) Evidence of fistulous withers.
(n) Evidence of any operation on the teeth.
(o) Bad condition.
(p) Parrot mouth or undershot.
(q) Capped elbows.
(r) Marks of whip or spur, not done under the eye of the inspector, or undue sweating, being properly indicative of vice or bad manners.
(s) Very short docks.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

How I Would Manage a Meeting

Written for the Trotter and Pacer by FREDERICK WATSON.

Every so often someone springs a bundle of personal ideas regarding harness racing and the ways and means of conducting a successful meeting—sometimes substantial and sometimes fanciful. Generally, however, the men who submit them have certain grounds for their suggestions that at least appear valid and justifiable in their own minds, and from almost all of them some ideas may be obtained whose adoption or modification would lead to a betterment of conditions—in fact most of the improvements made in racing conditions have been the result of "far fetched notions," originally.

So it is with the following article which appeared in the Christmas number of the Trotter and Pacer, sponsored by Frederick Watson. Mr. Watson creates some natural conditions in basing his plans that are not always available to track managers in the way of location and surrounding population and a good many of his ideas are not applicable to the everyday conditions of the average track, but there are a number of suggestions that could be heeded with profit by any association.

Reasonable or unreasonable, however, it is interesting to note the conditions under which this one man of general experience in the game would conduct his meeting—or at least thinks he would:

By way of introduction to this article permit me to say that the various opinions expressed herein are entirely my own and I cheerfully assume all responsibility therefor; that the editor of this paper is in no way to blame for any remarks herein that may not be favorable to or acceptable by track managers, secretaries, associations, campaigning owners, drivers or any one in any manner connected with the light harness horse business or pleasure who may feel themselves criticized by any comments I may make. If any personal names are used they do not refer actually to the persons themselves as individuals, but are used to designate the various grades of those who take part in harness racing; for instance, the Murphy, Cox or Geers stable means a large stable handled by a prominent driver as compared to the one horse campaigned by Si Corntassle, of Podunk Corners. Unlike the man called upon to make a speech at a dinner, I cannot put forth the excuse "Unaccustomed as I am to public speaking (or writing), etc.," for I have been in print weekly for over ten years at a stretch, so do not feel the least bit bashful about expressing my opinion and expect lots of adverse criticism as a matter of course, so Mr. Track Managers, get together, get out your hammers and start the knocker's chorus, you won't disturb my peace of mind in the least. I expect a big howl of objections and shall be disappointed if I don't get it, for I am going to hand you some pretty radical suggestions in regard to managing a race meeting.

As I noticed for the past two or three seasons that the half-mile track meetings have been more successful and entertaining than those at the mile tracks, particularly those in the middle sections of the Grand Circuit series, I shall select a mile track for my field of operations and we will now presume that I am secretary and manager of a mile track located near some good sized city with a fair number of smaller towns and villages within a fifty-mile radius and the usual available country, or farmer, population within driving distance. I select the mile track in preference to the half-mile as I want the hardest business proposition of the two. In accepting the position as secretary I have also stipulated that I shall be manager in fact as well as in name, that I am "absolute boss," no committees or stockholders to take "instructions" from and no one, owner or stockholder, to object to or interfere with my management. As to the actual owners of the track, they must put a rental price on the property for, say, twenty days during which time they have absolutely no "authority" at all and also agree to permit me and those I employ to enter the grounds and carry out such arrangements in preparation of the meeting at any time within sixty days, exclusive of the twenty days above mentioned, prior to the meeting. If my meeting opened August 15, for instance, the track is mine absolutely from August 5 to August 25 with the sixty-day privilege commencing June 5.

For an association I would not have three, four or ten stockholders but as many hundred, if I could get them, and the shares would be from ten dollars up, perhaps it would be more financially correct to say that the subscription shares would be ten dollars each, but there would be practically no limit to the number a man could buy. I would require $20,000 or more to be subscribed in this manner: The track owners might put in $2,000 each if there were five of them and they wanted the big end of it and the other $10,000 would be subscribed by the hotel and business men of the city; the more subscribers I had the better it would suit my purposes as each one would be a booster for the meeting "because he had some money invested." The conditions of subscription would be simple. Whatever amount you subscribed you would stand to lose or pro rata of the amount in accordance with the amount lost on the meeting. If $20,000 was subscribed and $20,000 was lost on the meeting each man who put up $10 would lose $10, likewise would lose $10 for each $10 he put up. If the meeting was run at a net loss of $5,000 each subscriber would lose 25 cents of each dollar he put up. Equally so if the meeting was a financial winner each subscriber would get his money back and a profit pro rata on each dollar in accordance with the pro rata profit on the meeting. I make a special point of explaining this because I want to show that if one hundred men put up $100 apiece and two hundred men put up $50 apiece there would be three hundred financially interested boosters and if the meeting was a $5,000 loser it would cost the $100 men only $25 each and the $50 men only $12:50. and a meeting that cost $5,000 over and above all receipts would certainly mean a lot of money spent in and around the town, much of which would "drop into the cash drawers" of many of the above referred to subscribers.

Of course I know that it is easy to lose $5,000 on a meeting if you give a $10,000 purse and two or three others for $5,000 each, but that is a brand of foolishness I would NOT be guilty of. I might be called crazy in regard to some of my race track ideas, but putting up big money for early-closing events that developed into virtual cinch walk overs would not be one of my foolish moves. Regarding the amount and conditions of my purses offered I will speak more fully later.

From practical experience in a variety of occupations in and around race tracks I will say that the main cause of the failure to make trotting meetings pay is that the managers thereof devote almost their entire efforts to catering to the horsemen. They arrange their programmes to suit the campaigning owners and virtually have to do so because they call upon those horse owners to pretty nearly if not quite race for their own money; then they advertise, as they express it, "Where the horsemen will see it"; that part of it is all right when advertising FOR entries, but they follow the same plan when advertising the meeting itself. At the meeting where horsemen are catered to, any prominent horseman almost can get a "badge"; delays and postponements are permitted because some horse owner must be satisfied, everything is done to "please the horseman." Why, if all the horsemen within five hundred miles of the average mile track meeting were to come and all pay their way in it might make business for the coroner and undertaker, as there might be some deaths from heart failure due to the unusual operation of "buying" an admission ticket, but it would not make even a decent crowd, in numbers.

The three things necessary to a successful race meeting are: An attractive programme, a good attendance and good management. Of course, good weather is necessary, but that being uncontrollable by the secretary I will leave that feature to luck and Providence. An attractive programme not only means one that is attractive to horse owners, but one that is attractive to the gate paying public. It is easy to make a programme attractive to horse owners; simply make it easy to "get a piece of money" without having to put up big entrance fees. To make it attractive to the public it must be full of variety and excitement, carried out without tiresome waits and delays; races that are real contests, not jogging walk overs for the favorite and these must be managed like the quick relays of the ever changing circus acts with the view of pleasing the audience rather than the performers. To get the good attendance has been the puzzle of track managers for years and getting harder every year. No wonder, either, for there has been no advancement in their methods of trying to get the gate paying public to step up and buy a ticket of admission.

To get the attendance you must cater to the people both in regard to what they want to see and what they want to pay to see it ,and it is no use to expect a crowd at the gates even if you arrange an attractive programme at popular prices unless the crowd knows about what you have to show and what it costs to see it, therefore I would put the prices of admission on the "popular" basis, 25 cents to get inside the gates and this would admit to the centre field and up the stretch above the grandstand enclosure; 50 cents would include the grandstand at the wire; in addition to this I would have some reserved seats at 25 cents additional in the main grandstand, also some private boxes at from $2.50 to $5 each in addition to the $1 per head grandstand admission ticket, each box having five chairs. By this schedule of prices I would provide for the poor working man who liked to take an afternoon off at the expense of losing half a day's pay and who could not afford to pay admission rates equal to another half-day's pay; for the store clerk who would bring his girl to the races and could afford 50 cents apiece for admission, but could not afford $1 each; for the regular race goer who was accustomed to pay the $1 tariff and for the wealthy individual who wanted all the exclusive privileges that money could buy and did not care what it cost, and I would further take good care that everyone who read a newspaper or had eyes to see a poster on the wall or an advertising card in a store window knew that the cost of seeing the races was

25 CENTS, 50 CENTS and $1.

In addition to this I would give EVERY person who paid admission, whether 25 cents or $1, a score card free.

I never could see why the patron of a race track who paid $1 admission should be taxed ten per cent more for a programme, worse still at the twice-arounds where the admission is 50 cents. Of course, the idea is to "sell" the score card privilege, but I would get more money out of it for my association by selling the advertising spaces on the score cards at lower rates and making that space really worth buying by giving away the programmes; it is done at the theatres and variety show houses and can be done at the race track. I know many track managers will ridicule the idea of a 25 cents general admission fee because they argue that the man who would not give a dollar to see the racing that they furnish would not give anything; quite right too, only they overlook the fact that those they refer to are the very limited few regulars who are enthusiastic horsemen; the people I would go after are the many thousands who would like the fun but did not value it at a dollar; that amount would take four of the family to the best vaudeville show in town. If I got four thousand of these 25 cents people at my meeting, and I would get them, too, I would have $1,000 gate money that the one-dollar-gate-track-manager would never see no matter what size purses he gave.

Now, a few words as to advertising: As far as advertising for entries goes there can be no question as to the medium in which to insert the announcement of the meeting; the horse papers would get mine and get it big, but I would not waste my space giving detailed particulars of special conditions, etc., nor would I pay out good money to have the name of the association in large type and other entirely immaterial attributes of the meeting prominently displayed. The dates of meeting, rate of entrance fees, size of purses, name of city where the track was, list of classes, etc., date of closing of entries and secretary's name and address. There you have the six prominent features and those properly displayed in a quarter-page space would attract the attention of everybody who had a horse to race; at least they would the way I would have them "set up" and printed.

My conditions and the details of the classes etc., would be on the entry blank and although I would like to tell you minutely all about them I know that the editor could not spare the space here. Instead of saying "Under American (or National) Association rules" with exceptions I would say "with every exception I can possibly put in," for I personally have very little opinion of the value of those rules, and should probably break nearly every rule in the book that relates to track management. (That is my view of the case not the editor's.) I would not need the protection of the parent association to collect my suspensions, because I would not have any; no entry would be accepted unless the fee accompanied the entry and no horse could start unless the starting fee was paid, so I would not need any collection agency. I would have no book accounts either with the trainers of the biggest stables or the "home" trainers; everybody would pay spot cash or "nothing doing," and every purse would be paid spot cash at the wire. As to classes I would have handicaps at various distances and genuine selling races with all the recognized "selling race" rules that are in force on the running tracks; I also would have saddle races, handicaps, with weight up to handicap, also some genuine novelty races that would amuse the "non-professional crowd." Any heat races I had would be best 2 in 3 limited to ten starters and only the horses that stood for money could start in the third heat, if the race was still unfinished, and that would mean not over three starters in the third heat for I would have but

Three moneys: 75 per cent to 1st.
15 per cent to 2nd.
10 per cent to 3rd.

And my entrance fees would be:

One per cent to enter.
One per cent additional to start.
One per cent additional from money winners.

And no horse could appear on the entry list unless his entry fee was paid, no starter could get in the "saddling paddock" until he had a ticket showing that his starting fee was paid. This would apply to everybody, a Murphy, Cox, Geers or Si Corntassel.

All entries to regular events would close 15 days prior to the opening date of the meeting.

I would have some special events to which entries would close the night before the race and in my programme would be classes to permit the owner to start every horse he had from the top notch free-for-aller to the 2:25 class trotter or pacer that could not beat 2:15, each with an equal chance of getting in the money in their respective classes for each would race against horses of their own grade.

Now, boys, you who do the driving I mean, look at what I would offer: For $20 you could enter in a $2,000 purse; for $20 more you could start in the race if your horse was not sick or lame at the time starters had to be named, 5 p. m. the night before the race, and this would mean 5 p. m., not 5:05 p. m. and not the next day, and the "Twenty" would have to be

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ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT.

NEW YEAR'S EVE AT MONTE JUANCULO.

"Jack, do you know this is New Year's eve," explained my partner as he rose from the supper table and whittled up some plug-cut for his pipe. "The stage must be at the Bar and it would be kinder home-like if we were to get a letter tonight," he continued. "I haven't any real close kin, but if you are going down you might ask for me."

"All right," I answered, "it's getting kind of late to start, but I guess I can make it; I can at least make the store by sundown, for it's all down hill."

Shorty and I were living in a cabin on the middle fork of the Stanislaus and were removed from the trading store about five miles. The winter so far had been a mild one, but the road—or rather the trail—was exceedingly rough and precipitous. I left the camp after a few moments directed to compiling a list in the way of blasting powder and larder replenishings that were to be packed in to our mines the following day by the storekeeper on his burros.

I was called back after I had gone some distance by "Shorty" who met me within speaking distance, his voice pitched into a megaphone key, with the suggestion that I ask the storekeeper if he had any canned mincemeat.

"We can have a pie, anyway," was his parting shout. I nodded assent, and with a farewell wave of the hand, I was off again.

The trail led me through dense growths of manzanita and chaparrel. The madrone trees were luxuriant with their wealth of crimson berries. Great patches of gorgeous color were spilled everywhere, though harmonizing beautifully against the chrome green of the leaves. I had some art schooling back in the "States" (as we used to term the East), and I thought how correct Nature was in her color scheme.

The hills of the western middle distance covered with their coats of chemisal and deep purple shadows looked like some royal mantle in the setting sun.

The day was dying, and I was alone in the land of memories. I thought of my boyhood days at home, the preparations that night for the holidays, and I longed to be back that winter's eve with the old folks again. Lost in meditation, I had not noticed the approach of any one until I was saluted by "Jim," the Digger Indian who made periodical visits to our cabin, begging for chamuck, tobacco, discarded clothing or, in fact, anything that caught his eye.

If it was our day at home, Jim called, and if we happened to be calling ourselves we always knew that Jim had been there. He was up in social ethics, for he surely carried away something that would come in handy, just to remind us that he had called.

Jim and I are friends now, but there had been a coolness between us. Coolness, however, is hardly the word. It was rather a hot time—I remember the occasion well.

I was seated in the cabin one Sabbath morning doing my week's mending and heard Jim's familiar grunt outside.

"Mornin'," said he.

A cordial "hello" reassured him that he was welcome.

A discarded pair of trousers had been thrown across the branches of a laurel bush a few feet removed from the cabin door. Jim spied the garment and called my attention to the fact that his legs were sans covering.

"Presenta pantoloonas?" he asked.

"Yes; I no want 'em," I replied in pigeon English.

"Bueno hombre," said Jim.

"Don't mention it," retorted I.

Jim squatted himself on the ground and proceeded to draw on the misfits. Raising himself promptly to a standing position to admire them, he looked at me inquiringly for a moment—that expression I shall always remember with reminiscent glee.

Yelling as though all the Indians were off the reservation he bounded down the zig-zag trail, swearing like a demon. From every rent in the too-well worn trousers, and from every buttonhole and other means of exit, there buzzed yellow-jackets. They had taken up their abode in the seat of the pants and Jim had gotten inside of their firing line. They were handing out ammunition to him of the tobasco order, and I could hear the echo of his howls long after he had departed. He cut my acquaintance for a spell, but a few days subsequent I met him down the gulch, and squared myself with him by giving him a ham that was considerably off flavor. His legs on that occasion were marvelously and exquisitedw tattooed. There were unique patterns of fleur-de-lis and designs for crests with punctuation marks everywhere.

Jim has since gone to the "Happy Hunting Grounds," but I enjoyed his friendship before he passed away.

Well, to resume, I reached the store, ordered my goods, stood the storekeeper off until the next clean-up, secured two letters for myself and one Woman's magazine for the Widow Bangs, who resided a little farther up the gulch, gossiped awhile with the boys, and commenced my trip home. The night had fallen, and, after lighting my tallow candle and placing it securely in the lantern, I trudged along.

Thoughts of "Shorty" brought one regret. There was no letter or token for him, and I hated to go home without bringing him something, so I retraced my steps and bought him a new pipe and a stock of a little better brand of tobacco than he had been using.

"Shorty" had borne rather a hard name before I found him, and rumor had it that he had once dealt faro at Hangtown—ran a game with "Texas Bill."

The boys said that his partner had fallen from an elevation and broken his neck at a large gathering of miners one night, and that "Shorty" had left for our diggin's on the same date. I never asked my partner about it, for he had always been a good mate, and I though him all right. I was off again and up the trail for home.

Were you ever among the mines? Do you remember the old prospect holes and abandoned shafts? These were, perhaps, six feet in diameter and often more than one hundred feet in depth. The abandoned shafts were generally left uncovered, and often a stray horse or burro would fall in and perish. I had always a horror of falling into one of them. On the way up the trail that night my candle was extinguished by a sudden gust of wind. I felt for a match in every pocket in my garments, but in vain. I was in the dark and would have to feel my way. The night had grown intensely dark and there were signs of a coming storm, but I trusted to extreme caution to help me out.

The occasional hoot of an owl, and the rustle of some predatory animal, together with the fitful wail of the mind, did not help my vertebrae.

I proceeded cautiously in the darkness, but wandered from the trail. I was lost. Presently I tried to study my location, and after standing still turned in an opposite direction, stumbled—and stepped into space! My fears had been realized. I was in one of those dreadful pits.

Falling some distance I struck against a timber and grabbed it with a death clutch. It was badly decayed. The creaking noise as it settled into the jagged walls of the shaft, followed by the fragments that were displaced, gave signals that it was straining with my weight. What if it should suddenly give way and hurl me to the bottom of the pit to lie there maimed and bleeding without possible help. Perhaps I would be killed outright. Of the two options, if submitted when I was more composed, I would have chosen the latter.

I was badly frightened. I thought of my friends at home, of my past life, and the greed for adventure and Mammon which had lured me from home influences and peaceful environments and brought me to this miserable end. Great beads of cold perspiration stood out on my forehead, and I was almost gone from despair and exhaustion. I felt as though I had already been stricken with death and that the world was falling from under me. My agony was so overwhelming that I cried.

Another creaking of the support again warned me of my peril. The next warning was more violent and brought down quite an amount of the loose portions of the rock. Then came the crash, and then—Oh! horrors! I lost consciousness.

It was broad day when I came to. "Shorty" was standing over me. There was rebuke in his eyes and disgust in his voice as he exclaimed from the edge of a four-foot hole:

"You must have had a h—— of a bat aboard last night."

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Rem-U M C Notes.

A total of 41 shooters came out for the shoot of the Lansdale (Pa.) Gun Club on Dec. 5. G. S. McCarty of Woodbury, N. J., tied for first place with scores of 46x50 while E. Springer of Wildwood, N. J., was a close second with 45x50. F. S. Tomlin of Glassboro, N. J., J. F. Hineline of Collingswood, N. J., W. H. Kling of Camden, and W. O. Downs of Pitman, N. J., tied for third place, getting 44 kills out of 50. All but one of the above named winners used Remington-UMC shells. This was the final regular shoot of the season.

An interesting meet was staged by the Missouri Athletic Club of St. Louis, on Dec. 7, at which the two high men, both of St. Louis, shot Remington Pump guns and Arrow shells. B. F. Williams carried off first honors with 94x100, F. P. Ford taking second place with 91 breaks to his credit.

The North Dupo (Ill.) Gun Club held a shoot on Dec. 9, at which T. F. Norton of St. Louis was high man with 83x100 using Arrow shells. The same shooting equipment was used by A. Killam who led the professionals with 99x100.

R. Jacob, Wm. Lowther and W. Robinson, all of St. Louis, shooting Remington guns and Nitro Club shells, took the first three places at a shoot held by the Stringer Hunt and Field Club of Brevator, Mo.

J. K. Andrews, of Straasburg, Pa., R. H. McCoy, of York, Pa., and Harry Zeamer, of Columbia, Pa., all shooting Nitro Club speed shells, carried off first, second and third honors respectively at the shoot of the Red Lion Gun Club held October 28.

RE-STOCKING QUAIL COVERTS.

Transplanting quail from one section of this State to another has been figuratively a thorn in the side of the Fish and Game Commission. For the purpose of restocking shot-out localities, or of infusing new blood in run-down bevies, quail have been trapped and liberated in new ground—but only a few times. The main obstacle in carrying out this scheme is the most strenuous objections raised by the sportsmen and others of the supply locality.

The "kick" and "roar" against taking away "their birds" is systematic and persistent, and who can blame the men interested? The Commission did several years ago trap quail in Monterey and Santa Cruz counties—not many, at that—and liberated the birds elsewhere. A good move and joyously acceptable to the fellows at the receiving end, but report is that the Santa Cruz and Monterey men have not to this day ceased expressing their dissatisfaction at the "loss of their birds."

Another illustration was when the Pacific Coast Field Trials Association endeavored to secure birds from the Bakersfield and Button Willow country, where the birds are in flocks of thousands in some sections, and well protected, too, the overtures were rejected emphatically, which action is a fair indication of the situation all round. That is the whole truth in a nutshell. It is difficult to secure a stock of blue or valley quail anywhere, so it is alleged.

The desert quail variety is plentiful in the lower part of the State and across the border, and could be secured in any necessary numbers. This bird, however, is undesirable. It will not thrive in every habitat where the valley quail does, particularly in the northern counties.

The Mexican quail, a bird just about first cousin to the valley quail, is easy enough to get and, it is reported, would fill the bill. Efforts tending to secure large consignments of this variety were progressing harmoniously until the unsettled state of affairs across the border during the last three years ensued and stopped proceedings.

That the valley quail can find congenial quarters elsewhere than in the coverts of the foothills is shown by four limit bags shot by a quartet of Stockton hunters on the "islands"—leveed and cultivated land, where the birds found a plenty of feed, with shelter and roosting quarters in the willows on the levee banks.

The Mearns quail is a variety found in New Mexico, Texas and Arizona, and which, from the description given of it, would probably thrive in California. It is not so game a bird as our California quail or the Bob White, yet it is a fairly swift flyer. Its food qualities are very highly praised by those who have eaten it. The Mearns quail would fall an easy victim to pot hunters, as it stands and regards with great curiosity all who come near it. Yet when flushed it goes away at a speed great enough to afford considerable sport. There is no doubt that after being hunted for two or three seasons the birds would become more shy, and would cease to deserve the name now given them—"fool quail."

The Mearns is about the size of our valley quail, and the male is beautifully marked, with stripes of black and white on his head, mahogany breast and flanks and a jet-black belly. The female is very sober in her colorings. These birds feed largely on roots, which they dig out with very sharp claws, also boring after them with their bills. The pinon nuts are relished by them, as well as the larvae of the crane fly, and various insects. This gives to their tender flesh a distinctive and delicious flavor that is furnished by no other bird. That they are hardy and able to take care of themselves is proved by the fact that the country to which they are indigenous is infested with owls, skunks, bobcats, foxes and coyotes. They can stand cold weather, and range the mountains to a height of 9,000 feet.

The feeding grounds of the Mearns quail can be distinguished by small holes of from two to four inches deep scattered here and there. These have been dug in search of roots, and in them the quail crowds, when approached, sometimes not rising until struck with a stick or whip. They rise more readily, though, at the approach of a dog, and fly a good distance. They do not gather in such large coveys as do the Bob Whites and the valley quail.

"Aside from his aesthetic and epicurean advantages," says a writer in describing him, "the Mearns quail has the Bob White beaten in one respect as a game bird—the male and the female are very unlike. The female Mearns quail can scarcely be distinguished from the female Bob White at fifteen feet, whereas the gorgeous markings of the male, particularly his black belly, make him conspicuous from the moment he leaves the ground. Of what immense importance this is to the careful, conscientious, or even careful, sportsman! On the covey rise, no valuable time need be lost, but on the contrary one's shooting should be improved by the moment required to differentiate between the sexes, which would bridge over that uncomfortable period before shooting time as effectually as the advice of Mr. Cleveland's old quail shooter of those who chew tobacco.

"The proportion of males to females among the Bob White quail is in favor of the male, perhaps somewhere near seven to five; it is quite two to one among the Mearns. Frequently coveys of from eight to ten birds are found composed entirely of males. This will be of inestimable value in the preservation of the birds, as taken together with the distinctive markings of the males, it makes the killing of 'seed hens' inexcusable."

HUNTING NOTES.

For regular and consistent limit bag returns, the duck hunters who have visited the Los Banos country have no cause for dissatisfaction. Early in the season sprig and mallard were plentiful. At present the birds in that section are mostly teal, widgeon and spoonbills. Geese and swans are also very plentiful, but those wary birds keep well up in the air out of range of everything save an aeroplane gun; swans, however ,are exempt. Members of the Field and Tule Gun Club, at Los Banos, have had no trouble since the opening day in shooting limits. Near Ingomar G. H. T. Jackson, Ramon Jackson and Andrew Jackson have had similar experiences. Theodore Kytka's recent Los Banos duck hunt was a limit bag of cinnamon teal. Widgeon and teal "by the million," is the report from Gustine and the West Side hunting grounds.

The latter resort is equipped with over sixty duck blinds. Gustine is also well established for gathering toll from the webfeet flocks. Both resorts have been the rendezvous of hundreds of gunners since the season opened. The machine brigade have had rather tough going over the adobe roads recently.

Nearby shooting districts, particularly the bay shore blinds, have kept the unattached trigger-pullers busy recently at less expense than the long trips to club reserves and with the pleasing results of fat canvasbacks and bluebills galore. In this respect there has been a shift of the shooting zone from one side of the bay to another, according to wind and weather conditions. Along the Petaluma creek marshes last Sunday, for instance, the shooting was over by 10 o'clock a. m., where a week previous the ducks were gathered in most plentifully. Below Black Point, out on the bay, however, a number of hunters were successful in getting canvasbacks.

Reports from the Sonoma and Napa marshes for the past week do not indicate that there was an avalanche of ducks up that way; the weather was too fine.

The sprig and mallard flocks that left the Suisun marsh section during the rainy spell seem to be working gradually back to the ponds and overflows again. These birds are reinforced with canvasbacks and bluebills from the bay, blackjacks and a few gadwall. Widgeon, teal and spooneys also have been a bit apparent. While the sport has been fair on the inside preserves the past week, the Joyce island gun clubs have had the best shooting. Up beyond Honker bay, at the Chiquita Club ponds, H. G. Hebgen, G. Finch, A. H. Drussick and Fred Kewell have recently shot mixed bags of mallard, teal, geese and canvasbacks.

Near Gridley, mallard ducks are the most plentiful variety in the marsh lands. At the Noyes Gun Club Frank Ruhstaller and other members have no trouble in getting limits each time out.

Along the San Pablo shore, near Pinole, big drafts have been made the past week on the visible supply of bluebill ducks. Hundreds of gunners have been enjoying the shooting offered along the Contra Costa shore the past week.

What is offered in the line of black sea brant shooting near the head of Tomales bay may be inferred from Al Wilson and Bob Sangster's three-day shoot, when forty-nine of these wary birds were bagged.

The annual harvest of spoonbill ducks is now being gathered by many gunners, who shoot on the lower Alameda marshes. The crop is a bountiful one, and the birds, northern migrants, are as fat as rolls of butter. Ray Chisler, who shoots on one of the ponds near Newark, has had several limit shoots recently. Arden Gun Club members and guests, Charles H. Kewell, Dr. J. Sylvester, Harry Sangstack, Jack Connolly, Anton Korbel, Rube Haas and others, have enjoyed fine sport at the club preserves on the big salt ponds near the Coyote hills. The Coyote Gun Club members, Dr. Gross and others, have also secured limit bags on the adjoining ponds.

Farther south, hunters who start out from the drawbridges have been getting canvasback limits. J. F. Knick, Dr. Cornwall, Ed Dowd, William Carrera, Louis Holdman and others, who work around from the bridges to Mowry creek, have been having good shooting. Hundreds of other gunners in that region have also had from good to fair sport. Bluebills have not been very plentiful. This variety will work down that way soon, it is believed.

Mt. Eden and Alvarado hunters have also had a cut in on the spoonbill visitors; that is, at the inside fresh water ponds. The bay shore gunners have got more canvasbacks than spooneys.

The Greenbrae marshes and the open bay waters off Point San Quentin have been well shot over recently by a big detachment of men and boy hunters, who have, on different days, when the weather was favorable to that district, got good strings of ducks.

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Lynn Sischo of Los Banos was arrested on a charge of murder by Sheriff T. A. Mack, who placed his prisoner in the Merced jail. The arrest grew out of the killing of Deputy Fish and Game Commissioner George Rodolph, the warrant being sworn to by Irwin G. Rodolph of this city, the father of the dead game warden.

Earl Farnsworth, who was wounded by Deputy Farnsworth, is in a critical condition in a hospital at Los Banos. Sischo and Farnsworth are well known market hunters. The killing occurred when Rodolph overhauled the two for an alleged game law violation.

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Game birds were reared at the State game farm near Haywards this year as follows: Pheasants, 2,665; quail, 193; wild turkeys, 216.

FISH LINES.

Many anglers up to this week had been exercising their time-honored privilege of grumbling—if not at the weather conditions, then at the reversal of fisherman's luck, when good fishing is offered, and but a short time, at the end of the open season, in which to enjoy it—for the close season began today.

Reports from Duncan's Mills, the objective point on Russian river for local steelhead rodsters, were that the river had cleared up enough to make it worth while for a try in the Austin pool. A dozen boats were counted about the Austin pool one day last week. The report that twelve steelhead were caught tensed up the local rodsters to the degree that some enthusiasts left Wednesday for the scene of trouble. The advance guard was followed Saturday by a large delegation, and a number of nice sized fish have been taken.

The Austin pool, in which flows the clearer waters of Austin creek, should be in proper shape for spoon fishing this week. At all events there are the good old stand-by baits, gobs of salmon roe and Tyee or prepared salmon eggs.

Russian river steelhead anglers have been bothered by the crayfish in the river. These crustaceans have become a decided pest—they clean the baited hooks as fast as the fishermen put out their tackle.

Credible reports are that many large steelhead trout have been speared in Salmon creek since the bar opened and enabled the fish to run up stream. Dave Hearfield, Ned Bosqui and other members of the Salmon Creek Rod and Gun Club were fishing the fine pools above the bridge this week.

A large delegation of California Anglers' Association members were on the tidewater banks of Paper Mill creek, near Point Reyes, Sunday. A week previous but few steelhead were caught there, although large fish were seen to run up stream. The charm of this fine fishing water is that it is a resort where bank fishing is easy and unobstructed, except on the up-stream stretches above the railroad bridge—the narrows, for instance, where the brush is thick, and the creek at present too deep for wading.

Nicasio creek's contribution of adobe-colored water was exhausted, making acceptable fishing water. In fact, a midweek trip by Michel Gario proved that there was a run of small steelhead fish going about three to the pound. He landed a nice catch and was progressing finely until he was located, or rather his bait was, by a large school of suckers. This bottom scouring pest is most plentiful in the Paper Mill tidewaters and is the bane of the trout angler. The suckers were evidently following the steelhead upstream to gorge on eggs of the spawning fish—that they are partial to fish eggs was shown by the voracious manner in which Gario's hooks were stripped of roe. It is not a bad plan in fishing this creek, or any steelhead water, for that matter, to try three baited hooks—the bottom double hook with fresh salmon roe, the next with shrimp and the third hook with an angleworm. When you find out what the fish's choice of bait is, use it.

A fine eleven-pound steelhead was caught by Harry Leap recently. While out shooting he saw the fish "rolling" near the mouth of Mud creek. He went after his rod and tackle and landed the fish in a short time.

For those who did not care to go that far, and during the few remaining days of the season, a trip to Mill Valley Junction put one in touch with the tidewaters of Mill creek, where nice baskets of steelhead have been picked up in past years. Or on farther to Escalle's where Ross creek offers the chance for a fine fish or more. W. J. Street landed two nice fish, and other anglers were lucky last week.

The report that large steelhead are in the tidal lagoon, on the shore, north of Point Bonita, should have prompted an investigation by anglers this week who are familiar with that location.

Napa creek, just above the town, has a good reputation for satisfactory steelhead fishing, under recent rainy and present fair weather conditions. The same hint applied to Sonoma creek at Schellville. Schultz slough, a tributary of Petaluma creek and the drainage outlet of San Antone creek, is in the same category.

In fact, during the past week, any of the Coast creeks having lagoons or the inside bay confluent creeks, have marked their location with fresh-water invitation to the steelheads, and the angler should have found it worth while to put his rod and tackle together. Across the bay, San Leandro creek, provided the water is flowing over the dam, is a sure bet for some steelhead. The lower waters of Alameda creek, known locally as Sunol creek, can always be counted on for steelhead under conditions such as the present. Large steelheads were seen during the week by passing hunters.

Stevens creek could hardly be suggested, owing to reported obstructions, which would keep the fish out. When the Crystal Springs dam is running over, the waste water running down the creek tempts trout up stream. At the lower end of the bay Penetentia, Coyote and Guadalupe creek tidewaters are well worth a trial.

Down the San Mateo coast, near Tobin, San Pedro creek, meandering unsuspectingly through the vegetable gardens, has produced many big fresh run steelhead in past seasons. The tidal waters at the mouths of Tunitas, San Gregorio, Pomponia, Pescadero, Gazos, Waddell and Scott creeks, all easily reached by machine, are well known and favorite steelhead fishing resorts, and were well prospected Sunday and the past week.

The Salinas river, at Moss Landing, the Carmel, below Monterey, and the San Lorenzo river and Soquel creek at Capitola, were also on the steelhead map, if past reputation for large fish and full creels are any guide.

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The Fish and Game Commission has received from the State Printer 100,000 fishing licenses for 1915, which will be distributed throughout the State to county-clerks and others and be ready for purchase by the fishing fraternity after Jan. 1, on which date the 1914 licenses expire. Local rodsters can secure these necessary documents at any of the sporting goods stores or at the office of the commission in the Mills building. The amount received and turned in to the credit of the commission's fund for this year is $67,000 in cash. There is outstanding, and in the hands of various county clerks, about $18,000 which, when deposited with the State Treasurer, will give a total estimated at about $85,000 contributed in the shape of fishing licenses by the rodsters for the protection and propagation of fresh and salt water game fishes in the waters of this State.

In a way, what may be the benefits to the Waltonians for the license moneys paid in can be inferred from the following brief summary of trout and salmon fry bred at the various State hatcheries during the season of 1913-1914, viz.:

Sisson hatchery, trout fry 7,832,000; salmon fry, 21,307,115; Tahoe hatchery, trout 2,977,000; Price creek (Humboldt county), trout 406,000, salmon 3,948,000; Ukiah, trout 550,000; Wawona, trout 222,000 —a total of 37,242,115 trout and salmon fry. The State hatcheries have now on hand and ready for liberation early next year about two and a quarter million young salmon. Along with this the hatcheries planted 11,987,000 trout—steelhead, rainbow, Loch Leven, German brown and Eastern brook baby trout, and 21,750,850 salmon fry—a grand total of 33,647,850 hatchery-bred fish distributed throughout the rivers, creeks and lakes of this State during the season just closed.

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The annual angleworm drowning convention will begin April 1, when the coast streams will be open for steelhead trout fishing, and black bass fishing in District No. 2. During the interim striped bass fishing in salt or fresh water will require a license of $1 for citizens or $3 for aliens or non-residents of this State.

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The new government fish ladder at the Derby dam in the Truckee river has been strongly criticized by Fish and Game Commission officials of this State and Nevada after a recent inspection trip. The new ladder, it is alleged, designed to save hundreds of tons of fish from destruction annually while trying to pass over the dam, falls short of filling the plans and specifications in several phases. Senator Mills of Nevada, and Engineer Gilmore, have advised that the structure built be not accepted. The ladder, it is claimed, is 39 feet shorter than the original plans accepted by Secretary Lane, and accordingly it will be impossible for trout and other fish to pass through it and over the dam.

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Possibly striped bass fishermen may be tempted to try Napa creek, near the railroad drawbridge, tomorrow, having in mind recent catches of large fish. Last Sunday E. J. Humphrey landed a 27 pounder, and L. Gotthelf captured a seven and a nine pounder. The San Antone regulars had another blank day last Sunday. As a matter of fact, the striped bass have deserted the bay waters. The net fishermen who have the faculty of locating the fish here and there and have taken but few bass for the past two weeks. The market shipments of striped bass mainly come from Martinez and Black Diamond. All of the bass caught are now taken in the San Joaquin river.

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Salmon are beginning to run at Santa Cruz, a few having been taken during the past fortnight. During the present run of the fish up the Sacramento, an Oroville fisherman, Luther Wakeman, has hooked twenty-nine large fish at different times, his largest fish scaling forty pounds.

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Halibut fishing, with rod and line tackle, is destined to prove one of the big attractions of Tomales bay in the near future.

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Deer Numerous.—Fawns and does are more plentiful this fall than ever before, according to H. H. Guill of Chico, Butte county, special deputy of the Fish and Game Commission, in a recent report. In the Deer creek section, the land of Ishi, the aborigine, Guill declares that during three days' travel he saw 126 does and fawns and two bucks. "Deer are as thick as sheep," he said.

The young deer were feeding in the thickly forested mountain regions and may be found in herds all along Deer creek and along Mill creek, which has its source at the foot of eruptive Mt. Lassen. Guill predicts that the coming season, which is open in that district after August 15, 1915, will be one of the best in the history of the State. The effort to protect California game is beginning to bear results in all parts of the State. The persistent attack on the vicious, life-destroying mountain lions, it is claimed, is also doing much toward the conservation of the game animals.

The California Fish, Game and Forest Protective League recommends that the bag limit for deer be changed from two to one; spike bucks or younger fawns be protected, and running of deer with dogs be prohibited in open season.

FIELD DOGS.

Whether it is that less field dogs are being broken, that the quail shooters are beginning to better understand the value of the dog in hunting these birds, or that on account of the protection given the quail by the non-sale law the supply in many sections has increased and thereby multiplied the number of quail hunters, there has been a greater demand for field dogs for several seasons past than ever known in the State before. This demand has been so far in excess of the supply that many would-be purchasers have been unable to supply their wants.

There is a chance for some one, who will raise and break for private shooting a class of dogs full of hunting sense and devoid of the nervousness of the field trial candidate, to establish a good business in that line. The average sportsman has to be educated in the use of a field dog for some time before he can either appreciate or handle a high-class dog. For that reason the fast, wide ranging, nervous dog is not what he wants, nor in fact what he needs to begin with. If he goes afield with such a dog he is disappointed with him, and disappointed with his day's shoot. He cannot control him and cannot keep him where he thinks he ought to be. The result is that, be the dog ever so good, in the hands of the inexperienced man he becomes spoiled and is soon worthless. The result is that the dog is condemned because of the lack of experience of the man. No man can work a fast, high-strung, nervous dog and keep his mind on the size of the bag he hopes to make without spoiling the dog in a short time. The dog, therefore, for the inexperienced man to begin with should be what the field trial man calls a "plug" hunting dog. In other words a slow, non-excitable, quiet worker that will practically handle himself. After a season's work with such a one as this he will begin to understand the higher benefits to be derived from the use of a better animal. He will occasionally see even the sluggish worker strike a beautiful attitude on his points, worth to his growing love more than all the birds he has bagged in the day's hunt. He will then begin to see his dog's faults and try to correct them, and gradually take as much interest in the work of the dog as in the work of the gun. When he arrives at this stage of appreciation he will have learned how to handle a good dog and feel that something with more dash, more go, and more fire in him would materially add to the pleasure of his day's sport. When he has thus fitted himself to enter the higher school of sportsmanship—and not till then—will he fully appreciate a high-class dog, or will such a one be of any use to him. There are a few men, it is true, that may begin with the high-class trial winner as a shooting companion. But they are men of such a keen appreciation of animal intelligence that a fine cast, or a snappy, stylish point so appeals to their finer sensibilities that they almost forget that they have a gun in their hands in their admiration of the picture. Such men will watch every movement of their dog, and if he varies in the least from their ideal of perfect performance, he will be promptly corrected and kept under perfect control. But such are a very small minority of the inexperienced sportsmen.

It is for this reason that trainers fail so often to make sales of really good dogs; whereas if they would try to supply the demand for the slow, quiet, methodical worker in the first place, they would find ready sale for their better dogs a year or two later to the same customer when he had learned to appreciate and handle one.

Such dogs as the average man should begin with can be raised, broken and sold at the price the beginner is willing to pay. The mortality among puppies of this character is small. They are not nervous and excitable, and they train with but little work. You and I will call them "plugs," but they will point staunchly and they will retrieve. They are the objects by which the kindergarten lessons in upland shooting are learned, and as such they are necessary to prepare the beginner for the higher school wherein he learns to handle and appreciate the perfect high-class performer.

EXPOSITION INTERNATIONAL BENCH SHOW.

The failure of the A. K. C. Coast representatives to run the Exposition show—under A. K. C. rules—has prompted the Goo Goos to hold a rival show. In connection with this enterprise we quote a prominent sporting writer on one of the San Francisco dailies, which is timely and offers a suggestion or two for all fair-minded sportsmen:

"We trust that the dog show people will not become confused over the 'Panama-Pacific International Dog Show' and the so-called 'Golden Gate International Dog Show,' both scheduled for 1915 in San Francisco. The Panama-Pacific Show will naturally be the big attraction, from the fact that competition will be open to all. This show is being given world-wide publicity and is getting liberal contributions from persons in California who are always ready to aid projects that are to constitute features of the big fair. The 'Panama-Pacific' will undoubtedly be the greatest dog show of our time, and though there is no desire on the part of anybody to belittle or hinder those who are working to make the other show a success, at the same time the use of the word "international' may occasion confusion to persons residing outside of California and perhaps among a few of our own people."

THE NEW YORK SPORTEMEN'S SHOW.

The coming Sportsmen's Show, February 20-27, at the new Grand Central Palace, New York City, will be in the twentieth year of Sportsmen's Shows of international scope in New York City and the 1915 exhibition, because of unprecedented conditions due to the European war, affecting both industries and transportation, will be combined with New York's fourth annual Travel Show. As most sportsmen must under existing game conditions in North America be travelers to fish or hunt the temporary junction of these two exhibitions which have so many interests in common will be compatible.

The general manager of the approaching Sportsmen's and Travel Show is Captain J. A. H. Dressel, who originated and founded sportsmen's shows and who is working arduously and seriously to revive, rejuvenate and reform the sportsmen's show idea, which has during its twenty years of life, like most thing of human creation, undergone many mutations chiefly due to varying conditions of trade and sentiment. Despite the adverse business conditions sufficient commercial support and co-operation was assured by December first to warrant the carefully made statement that the high ideals of the best exhibitors and patrons of these popular exhibitions will be to a great extent realized.

Shooting and fishing lead the van of outdoor sports and these will be well represented but in addition every legitimate phase of the outdoor life will be considered and included. As one of the foundation stones of success for the next Sportsmen's Show and its successors an honorary auxiliary committee is being assembled from the ranks of big game hunters, naturalists, geographers, explorers and photographersof wild life. Leaders of the world in achievements in some of these fields are Americans and some of



these are held in reserve until the body of the committee is built up so that they can know and be satisfied with their associates. Acceptances in writing have already been received from Anthony Fiala, Dillon Wallace, James L. Boyce, Col. Charles L. Jones, Daniel J. Singer, Herbert K. Job, William Beebe and Charles Johnson Post. Some of the gentlemen invited are on lecture tours, others are in far-away lands engaged in field work and four are in the European war zone. When the committee is complete, with twenty-five members, its list will briefly state the achievements of each member and the books describing them of which the member is the author.

The actions of the show will be quite sufficient with trapshooting, fly-casting and the shooting competition, over nineteen rifle ranges, of the public school boys of the New York Public School Athletic League; besides, probably, archery, fencing maybe, and fire-making by friction and various other activities important in outdoor life.

Manufacturers of explosives, arms ammunition and other munitions of war, who also provide hunters with their guns and cartridges are unable to cope with their orders from Europe for military uses, but when peace returns, as it must eventually, the sportsmen will again be the principle patrons of the gun and loading companies and their interests and sentiments should not be neglected because Mars is an occasional good customer, and it is believed that this will be generally remembered and considered by the manufacturers who have heretofore supplied the commercial foundation for New York's old established Sportsmen's Show, which has always proved the annual rallying point for the hunters, anglers and all outers.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

THE DU PONT POWDER COMPANY'S 1915 GUN CLUB TROPHY.

For several years it has been the custom of the Du Pont Powder Company of Wilmington, Delaware, to assist the gun clubs throughout the country in keeping up the interest of their members by suggesting attractive and equitable forms of contests among all members of the club, and by providing suitable trophies as rewards of merit for the successful shooters.

To keep abreast of the times in the matter of the form of trophies to be given, and to cater to the wishes of the shooters themselves has always been the aim of the Du Pont Company. Mention of some of the forms of trophies given in the past makes interesting reading, and at the same time indicates the trend of opinion among the shooters.

For years it was the custom to give silver loving cups as gun club trophies. These were followed by handsomely framed "DuPont Dog" pictures. Next came the bronze figures of pointer and setter dogs, and last but not least, the DuPont Company originated the idea of presenting gun clubs each year with appropriately designed and attractively gotten up sterling silver watch fobs.

The popularity of these fobs with the shooting fraternity has been undoubted, and have done much to make the local club shoots popular with and interesting to all, especially when the contests for same were operated on the very equitable "DuPont Added Target Handicap System" as suggested by that company.

For 1915 a still greater step forward has been planned by the DuPont Powder Company in the matter of its gun club trophies, and during the coming year they will present to local gun clubs throughout the country, for a series of contests similar to those which have been suggested in the past for other trophies, a handsome sterling silver full size tea spoon, especially designed and manufactured for the DuPont Powder Company by the world famous Jewelry firm—Tiffany & Co. of New York, whose fame as the leaders in their line is known and recognized throughout the world.

The idea of a spoon trophy, which is original with the DuPont Powder Company, must appeal to all trapshooters as an exceptionally good one. No matter whether a shooter is a "family man," a "bachelor" or a youngster just budding forth into manhood, he can find a suitable use for the trophy spoon, which is, by the way, a very "useful" trophy, and will appeal strongly to the "women in the case."

The design of the DuPont Gun Club Spoon is at once novel and appropriate, being a figure of a trapshooter worked into the handle, and the workmanship is the very last word in the art of die making and silversmithing. It is predicted that the DuPont 1915 sterling silver gun club trophy will be one of the most popular with the shooters of the many trophies offered by the DuPont Company to the trapshooting fraternity.

It is worthy of note, also, that the DuPont Powder Company is continually in the lead with new ideas which will be pleasing to the trapshooting fraternity, and which make for the advancement and popularity of the grand game of trapshooting, which is rapidly assuming a leading place as an out-of-door pastime.

The announcements to gun clubs and shooters of the DuPont 1915 sterling silver gun club trophy will be ready for mailing in a few days, and we predict the unprecedented popularity of this new idea of the DuPont Powder Company in the way of a season trophy for a series of local club shoots.

A HANDSOME CALENDAR.

Carrying out the annual custom, the Winchester Repeating Arms Company has issued, for 1915, a typical calendar—one of a long continued series illustrating and exploiting most graphically scenes in the hunting country and incidents that arouse the intense interest of sportsmen the world over.

The present calendar is up to the former appealing standard and will arouse the enthusiasm of every devotee of the sporting rifle.

A "battle in the clouds" is depicted by the artist which both in color, drawing and action is suggestive to a degree of a tragedy in wild life. A mountain goat—it may be on an abrupt cliff in the Rockies, Selkirks, British Columbia or faraway Alaska—is defending its offspring from the beak and talons of an eagle. The assaulting raptor apparently has the advantage of position—the goat, shielding the kid with its body, is fending off the attack with vigilant horns, and backed up on a narrow rocky ledge she stands holding off the enemy. Truly a striking picture and not exaggerated.

AN INNOVATION IN TRAPSHOOTING.

The "hand trap" designed by Jack Fanning is destined to become most popular with Coast shooters. This "little joker" has been given a thorough trying out and has stood the test satisfactorily. The operator can throw the targets at any angle or height and with a speed and curve unknown to the shooter. Forty-five to 50 yards, known angles, has been the usual trap proposition. The new device—called now the "Du Pont Hand Trap," can send a target 60 or 80 yards easily. The new trap has the endorsement of the expert shooters and can be had for a moderate price—$4.00. Every gun club should have one or more. Individual trap shooters will, we are confident, send in many orders to Wilmington, Del.

HOW I WOULD MANAGE A RACE MEETING.

(Concluded from page 8.)

put up right then, too; for this $40 you would have a chance to win $1,480 first money net, $280 second money or $180 third money. If you had a no-account horse in your stable that did not belong in the $2,000 purse grade there would be a $600 race that cost you $6 to enter and $6 more to start with the chance of winning $444 net first money, $84 net second or $54 third. Is this not better than paying $150 (5 per cent in a $3,000 purse) to win $1,500 first, $750 second, $450 third and $300 fourth, even if the extra 5 per cent from money winners is not deducted, and if it is you get $1,350 net first at a risk of $150 in the $3,000 purse, as compared with $1,480 net at a risk of $40 in my $2,000 purse. Same thing comparing a $1,000 purse; in the $1,000 purse you win net $450 at a rish of $50 as compared with $444 at a risk of $12. On the same ratio comparing a $10,000 purse under the old 5 per cent to enter and 5 per cent additional from money winners you risk $500 to win $4,000 net first money while in a $6,000 purse in my plan you risk $120 to win $4,320 net, in other words you risk less than one-quarter in cash at my meeting to win more money. Do you think my programme would be attractive enough to get a big list of entries—I guess yes.

Now in consideration of the low rate of entrance fees I would expect each and every "performer" to willingly conform to the rules that I would lay down for the meeting; these rules would govern the wearing of colors, promptness in replying to the call for starting each heat and race, general conduct of all who took part in the events on the track and absolute acceptance of regulations regarding badges and tickets. As to the latter I would make a big effort to overcome the "spectre" that haunts all secretaries, the complimentary list. First of all no owner could get a ticket unless his name (or stable name) appeared on the entry list; if his driver entered the horse in his own name, the driver could pay for the owner's admission ticket for it would be the only way he could get one. My rule would be, one badge for each individual name on the list and no more; one badge for each driver and no more. Diplomatic reasons might influence me to be a little free with complimentaries or "guest" badges for the city officials, etc., but otherwise the "Comps" would be mighty scarce and the "Press" would be the only applicant who would be sure of having his request for a badge favorably received. My own experience would lead me to institute a specialty in the "Press Box." There would be one for the actual "working representatives" who had to sit right down and make copy after each heat or race and another and larger press reservation space for those members of the press who were just visiting and did their writing (if any) afterwards. I would also provide a syndicate reporter myself who would make a correct, concise and attractive report of the day's racing, a copy of which would be furnished to the editor of every daily paper within a radius of twenty-five miles, who desired it rather than sending his own representative. By this means I would at small expense keep my advertisement of the meeting before the public all the week and "in the reading columns, too." Besides this I would do all kinds of advertising, the particulars of which would make a page article in this paper by themselves, so must be omitted now but you can bet your boots I would let people know there was a "good afternoon's amusement" to be enjoyed at my race track at a cost from 25 cents upwards, and in spite of all the ridicule the present day track managers might throw at me for these crazy suggestions of a very low entrance fee for the horsemen and a very small general admission fee for the public I would make my meeting a winner both from an amusement and financial standpoint. The first one I managed might not be so profitable, as it would be necessary to "show the public" that they could get an enjoyable afternoon's fun for their money and it would cost some of our "gate receipts" to circulate this news quickly and effectively, but I would win out and prove what I have always claimed: That the horse owners who supply the race horses to furnish the amusement at the tracks must be paid for their use and this can best be done by making very small entrance fees to the purses; that to make genuine racing, make it worth while to "try to win," the winner to get the big end of the purse; that the drivers are only "hired performers" and are paid by the owners so do not need to be "petted" and "idolized" by the track managers; fair, square, gentlemanly treatment is all they expect or want (if the entrance fees are very small); that the public will come and pay to see the sport if the rate of admission is made to suit all sizes of pocketbooks and the amusement is worth the price asked for it, and that it is necessary for success, to manage the meeting from an amusement standpoint on a strictly business basis and not from a "horseman's point of view." Although this is already a pretty lengthy article it does not contain the particulars of a tenth part of what I have studied over regarding managing a meeting, but it is already too long so I will "close the gates." Just the same, Mr. Track Manager, what I say goes. The solution of a successful race meeting is an attractive programme (very low entrance fees to the purses to attract the horsemen to enter and variety of contests to entertain the public); a good attendance (popular prices thoroughly advertised and a strong support by the local and nearby daily newspapers), and good management; give the gate paying public a good show, well conducted, worth the price of admission and you will get the "box" receipts, and the bigger they are the better and more varied the performance you can "hire" and your amusement business will increase and prosper like any other branch of properly managed commercial transactions.

THE STATUS OF THE FOOT-AND-MOUTH OUTBREAK.

[by Dr. Jacob Traum, Veterinary Division of the University of California.]

It is now over two months since the existence of the foot-and-mouth disease in this country was definitely established, but on account of its extent and the lack of full state co-operation, in some instances progress in controlling the disease has not been as satisfactory as expected.

Michigan and Indiana, where the disease first appeared, are now practically free from it; in such Atlantic Coast states as were affected and in Iowa the disease seems to be under satisfactory control; in Ohio and Illinois the condition is not quite so satisfactory; in Kentucky, where sufficient state funds were not available, the disease is spreading very rapidly. The cases reported near Spokane, Washington, were limited to one shipment, which was put underground, and since no other points of infection have been reported in that state, Washington was not put under quarantine.

Probably the most discouraging news as far as California is concerned is that in Montana, where two countries were under quarantine, ten steers on open range have been found infected. We have been frequently asked why the Federal Bureau of Animal Industry resorts to such heroic measures in combatting the disease when the mortality as a rule is very low. In answer I desire to state that the Bureau of Animal Industry has probably thought it advisable to resort to their methods of control after taking carefully into consideration the experience of European countries.

Referring to the reports made at the International Veterinary Congress held at Baden Baden, Germany, we find that Dammann, of Hanover, Germany, at this Congress said that without an absolute quarantine of the infected farms, preventing even the movement of persons, the control of foot-and-mouth disease is not to be thought of; but this measure, he says, cannot be executed. He further said that the very severe requirements of the sanitary law have not succeeded in eradicating the disease; and notwithstanding the quarantine of the infected stables, reinforced in many states by the quarantine of districts and often of a large zone around these, notwithstanding the very extended prohibition of animal markets and the supervision exercised over the abattoirs, dealers' stables, and railroad cars, the disease continued to prevail.

Dr. Loeffler of Germany at the same Congress said:

"Foot-and-mouth disease is spreading more and more every year; and every year it costs the German Empire enormous sums. Necessary measures have been taken with the greatest care; suspected grounds had been closely quarantined; this measure had been extended to whole communes, and even to entire districts; disinfection had been carefully carried out, and notwithstanding all this the disease kept spreading."

Hess, of Berne, Switzerland, at the Baden Baden Congress, gave as one of his conclusions that the most efficacious and economical measure to adopt against foot-and-mouth disease in most cases consists in the slaughter of all the infected animals. "The diseased animals," he said, "should be destroyed completely, including the hides and hair, and the exposed animals slaughtered under police supervision."

In England slaughter had been resorted to quite frequently in recent years to stamp out the disease when first introduced. Cope, speaking of an outbreak in that country, said, "It was eventually stamped out in the county of Kent, by the purchase, slaughter, and burial of several of the affected flocks."

Again Dr. Cope says:

"The more recent experience in the administration of the foot-and-mouth disease order of the board has gone to prove that under the new system of stopping the movement of stock in widely extended areas, and of slaughtering in every instance where isolation cannot be effectually carried out, a general outbreak of the disease can with certainty be arrested. This view is, I think, established by the fact that although the several centers discovered in 1900-1902 were very widely distributed in England and Wales, the measures adopted were so effectual that not a single case of foot-and-mouth disease found its way into a market, railway pen or truck, or into yards and lairs where animals are so frequently congregated by dealers prior to movement."

One must also bear in mind that while the disease is usually mild it may at times become malignant, as Hofner of Karlsruhe reported at that congress. He said foot-and-mouth disease had prevailed almost continually in Germany for a long series of years, and it had caused losses much greater than all other epizootic diseases combined. It had also been found that the disease, instead of following a benign course, as formerly, had during recent years become very malignant. In fact, in numerous sections hundreds of cattle had suddenly died, and certain estates had lost from a third to a half of their stock.

These are experiences from men that have tried isolation and quarantine and you will realize at once that quarantine is not only very expensive, but such quarantining as is required in foot-and-mouth disease is impracticable for any length of time. Another fact that must be taken into consideration is that in all the outbreaks that have visited this country the affection has spread very rapidly and there is no question but what a great portion of our cloven-footed animals would become affected were it not checked. Even if we leave out of consideration the actual loss by death; the losses occasioned by the temporary loss of flesh, reduction in milk supply and abortion and other complications, we should find that it would be many fold greater than cost of eradication as carried out at present, besides leaving us a disease which is extremely likely to reappear very soon.

SAVE THE BROOD MARES.

A horse in the present European war is said to last less than one month. During the early purchases of our horses, very rigid rules were enforced, requiring horses from 15 to 16 hands, proper conformation, perfectly sound and from 5 to 8 years of age with all solid colors. Practically any kind of a horse will now be taken, weighing 800 pounds or more, serviceably sound, from 4 to 10 years of age and nearly any color except white. Nearly every section of the United States where horses are bred has been visited by foreign buyers.

Near one Missouri town there are now 20,000 horses purchased for the English government, ready for shipment. A great many horses and mules have been purchased in the southern states where farmers have been forced to dispose of them, because cotton could not be sold. Usually at this time of year southern buyers are buying instead of selling. The southern output will necessarily have to be replaced in the very near future. There are many more horses leaving this country than the breeders and farmers know about. Purchases include many artillery horses weighing from 1,000 to 1,500 pounds and a large number of mules, two classes, for which best farm demand makes a good market every spring. This country can spare the geldings and mules, but it cannot afford to dispose of good brood mares. Every stallion and jack owner in the country should pay particular attention to keeping the best brood mares in his community. Too small or inferior mares are not desirable; but every good brood mare should stay here. This is an important time to the agricultural interest in this country. For a long time North America will be required to assist in feeding a large portion of Europe. This can only be done by thoroughly tilling the soil, which requires more horses at home.

The meat supplies of Europe are being devastated, which will mean more grain consumed for food. Everything points to great prosperity among the breeders of live stock in this country; especially horses and mules. A great demand is sure to come for agricultural horses. With nearly all of the light horses and mules leaving, this country will see a strong demand for better individuals to take their places.—American Breeder.

NEW ORLEANS MEETING WELCOME.

Judging from the reports that are coming from New Orleans the prospective race meeting which begins there on January 7 promises to be very successful. Horsemen who can possibly make it will go there in preference to some of the other winter tracks, as it is an ideal winter racing climate, and thoroughbred devotees have a soft spot in their hearts for the Lousiana town.

That Joseph Murphy is giving H. B. Brown of the Cuban-American Jockey Club a run to get horses is gleaned from the fact that Brown sent word from Havana that he would be in Charleston to arrange for the transportation of horses to go to Cuba as soon as the Charleston meeting was over. Brown's presence indicates that he is a bit doubtful as regards the number of horses he will get for his new institution.

Had not New Orleans butted in, as it were, there would have been plenty of horses for Havana. The split-up caused by the revival of the sport in the South will make horses a bit short at both places, and it is probable that Havana will suffer the more, as it is a more expensive trip to take horses to Cuba than to Louisiana.

The feeling of the horsemen regarding New Orleans can be judged by a letter from J. W. May, in which he says: "I heard Judge Murphy explain how New Orleans business men were going to conduct a high class, clean race meeting. There isn't a horseman in the country but isn't keen on seeing the sport restored in New Orleans, for every one loves the Crescent City, and I for one am going to do everything in my power to make the meeting a success."

These sentiments have been voiced all along the line, for with New Orleans reviving the sport it would be the entering wedge for California and other points which have suffered through adverse legislation.

Word comes from Hot Springs, Ark., that it is even betting racing will be resumed there within six months from date. This would mean that if there is to be racing at all it will be within the next three months, as February and March are the two months in the year in which Hot Springs flourishes. According to an authoritative news item from Arkansas a movement is being entertained to hold a meeting at Oaklawn, beginning March 17, to run for thirty days.

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OBJECT TO INCREASE IN SANDING RATES.

The railroads of California have asked the railroad commission for permission to increase the rates for sanding stock cars to $1 for single-deck and $2 for double-deck cars. Many individuals over the state have written the railroad commission protesting against the increase. The California Protective Cattlemen's Association will no doubt take up the matter. The National Wool Growers' Association has already sent in a vigorous double-barreled protest against the proposition. In the wool growers' letter to the railroad commission they say that the increase would be an imposition on the stockmen of the state. In the rates now in effect the railroads include the cost of sanding the cars, and if they are now to be allowed to make an increased charge for this service, it will be a duplication of the charge. The railroads contend that they have to haul their cars to the sanding-pits to be sanded. The fact is that the cars are frequently loaded without being sanded at all—that is, the old sand in them is used over again. It also happens frequently that cinders, a commodity available along railroads, are used. Also sand is available at almost every shipping point or can be made available if the company so desires.

In a recent hearing before the Interstate Commerce Commission it was shown that the cost of sanding cars was ten cents per deck. The charge for sanding cars at the Fort Worth stockyards is twenty-five cents per car.

The sheepmen of California are already discriminated against by the Southern Pacific Company more than are the sheepmen of any other state.

BARLEY IN ALFALFA.

Many alfalfa raisers are in the habit of planting barley in their alfalfa in the fall and the practice is so good that it is unfortunate that it is not done oftener. It provides green stuff during the winter and makes the land productive at a time when it ordinarily is not producing anything, except perhaps, some foxtail. And not the least valuable feature of the barley is that it keeps down the foxtail.

The several floodings that an alfalfa field gets during the summer plus the packing of the soil by the mower, the horses' hoofs, and the hay making and hauling, or by the stock, if the field has been pastured, compacts the soil in a way that would almost be ruin for an orchard. A stirring up of the soil, when these conditions exist, is almost the same kind of a stimulant to the field that good cultivation and a soil mulch is to an orchard. That is why it is so profitable to use a disc, an alfalfa renovator, or a spring tooth on an alfalfa field.

With the soil torn up a bit it is possible to sow barley and get excellent results. Land on which alfalfa has grown is always rich and contains lots of nitrogen. Although the alfalfa takes up much of the space and the barley naturally cannot do as well as if the land were really plowed instead of being scratched, a good stand can be secured. The amount of seed may vary greatly, being much lighter than would usually be sown on a clean field, in some cases, and in other cases much heavier. The per cent of germination is not as great as where the land is plowed and a good seed bed provided.

It is possible to either pasture the barley or to let it go for hay. In the first case a heavy seeding is usually best, in the second a light seeding so that the alfalfa will have plenty of room when it starts growth in the spring. In either case the land is producing something instead of lying almost idle, or growing only foxtail, and the mixture of barley and alfalfa hay is excellent and a vast improvement over the mixture of alfalfa and foxtail.

Apropos of eggs which are and are not fresh, one has been found in the tomb of an Egyptian child named Sextus Rufus, who lived about 1,800 years ago at Nikopolis.

DISARMING THE BOAR.

The tusks of a boar ought to be kept short. This not only makes him less a menace to other animals but many hog raisers believe him less fierce and self-confident. An inch and a half in length is about the limit to which the lower tusks should be allowed to grow. This means taking them off once every six months. The quickest and one of the commonest ways of disposing of them is to knock them off with a cold chisel and hammer. The trouble with this method is that it is likely to splinter the bone around the socket of the tusk, and I have even known the jaw bone to be broken. A much better way is to break the tusk off with long horse nippers, or with blacksmith's pinchers. Or the tusk can be nicked deeply on both sides with a three cornered file, after which it can be knocked off with greater safety, though it is still better to use pinchers. The stub can be smoothed down with a few strokes of a flat file.

To hold him for this or any other operation on his head, the following method is as good as any: Make a small slip noose at the end of a half-inch rope and get it into his mouth around his upper jaw, that being the hardest part of the whole performance. Do not noose both jaws, and never the lower jaw alone. Take a turn with the rope around a fence post and haul the hog so he is held short. Then push him around sidewise against the fence and have some one hold him braced there while you operate. Some men take pride in handling a hog alone, but it seems a waste of energy when you can get a helper, and you need both hands free to work with.—G. B. Hill in National Stockman and Farmer.

ANIMAL HUSBANDRY.

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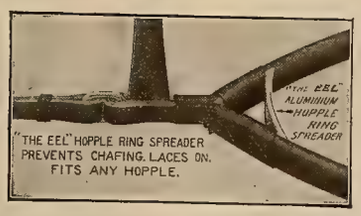
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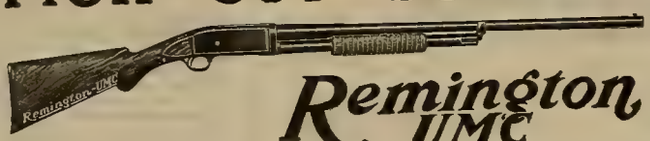


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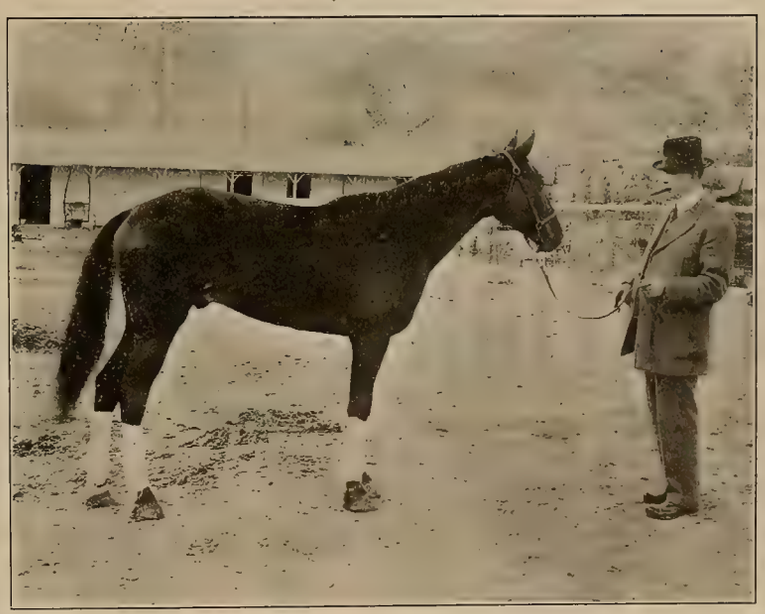
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"John W. Considine of Seattle, Wash., is doing more for the trotting interests of his section of the United States than any other man in the far western country. A few years ago, he established Woodland Stock Farm, at Woodland, Cal., and, by purchasing some of the best bred mares, in foal to high-class stallions, to be procured in the eastern markets, he has a foundation on which to build a most successful trotting nursery. At the head of Mr. Considine's farm is the stallion, Prince Ansel, 2, 2:20¼, son of Dexter Prince and Woodflower, dam of two, by Ansel 2:20, while second in command is the young horse, True Kinney 2:12¼, by Kinney Lou 2:08¾, out of My Trueheart 2:19¼, a producing daughter of Nearest 2:22¼, son of Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½. Robert Bingen 2:11¼, by Bingen 2:06¼, was also recently added to the Considine stud. The mares at Woodland are by such sires as Axworthy 2:15½, Directum Spier 2:11¼, Moko, Charles Derby 2:20, Prince Ansel 2:20¼, Mendocino, Lockheart 2:08½, Jay McGregor 2:07¼, Silver Bow 2:16, Joe Patchen 2:01¼, etc.

"Mr. Considine has several young trotters in Kentucky being trained by Hunter C. Moody, of Lexington, most of which are foals of 1914, by Prince Ansel. Trainer Moody also has for the same owner the yearling colt, Suldine 2:24¾, by Worthy McKinney, out of Carrietta 2:18, dam of Silent Brigade 2, 2:10¾, by Directman; Chris the Great, a yearling, by Peter the Great 2:07¼, dam Miss Faribault 2:26¾, by Axworthy, and a weanling son of Peter the Great and Carrietta.

"Mr. Considine, in partnership with the late Senator Timothy D. Sullivan, of New York, made a fortune through theatrical enterprises in western cities, and only recently sold out his interests in the Sullivan & Considine Circuit for a very large sum, reported to have been in the millions."

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"MONEY DIVISION" is one of the topics that comes up regularly for winter discussion, at the time when everybody is home from the races and has leisure and inclination to "air his views." Like in the debate over other proposed changes and improvements the ideas advanced are widely varied, but there seems to be a tendency on the part of the majority who suggest any changes at all toward increasing the reward for the winning horse and limiting the cut to three ways rather than four—a division that would in our estimation be conducive to sharper racing, which means better entertainment for the public and a subsequent increase in attendance. The suggestions in the main are for a change to a basis of either 70-20-10 or 65-25-10 in place of the customary 50-25-15-10, and while horsemen are reluctant to part with the present system of profit sharing, many who are most loath to see the fourth horse "given the go-by" admit that a change to the three way cut would doubtless operate to the best interests of all concerned in the long run. Make winning "worth while" by a proportionate reward and there will be less dodging of records; limit the cut to three ways and there will be keener competition for place and show.

One contributor to the discussion, however, goes to the other extreme with a suggestion to make the division five ways, 35-25-20-10-10, but while we like to see money thoroughly desseminated we would also like to see racing conditions improved rather than made worse than they are. Under our present money division there is too much of a tendency to be satisfied with second money and no record in preference to first money and a record, a condition which the last proposal would merely serve to aggravate. Take for example the ordinary $500 purse of the small meeting and split it as above—$175, $125, $100, $50, $50. A difference of $50 is small incentive to taking a winning record in a case of split heats and ties; a difference of only $25 is less conducive to hair-raising place drives, and an equal reward for fourth and fifth horses removes all occasion for competition behind the third horse save in good-sized fields, and the "race" degenerates into a mere merry-go-round, devoid of feature or interest.

"Reformers" must bear in mind in making suggestions that the success of harness horse racing depends entirely upon the patronage accorded it by the public, and that what Mr. Public pays his dollar for is to see a horse win a horse race. This being the case it is much more logical to increase the reward of the winner than to decrease it, merely that more horsemen may come in for small money for which they have made little or no real contest.

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WITH ITS LAST ISSUE OF 1914 the Pacific Horse Review gave up the battle that it has waged for "divorce and separate maintenance," and beginning with the new year H. C. Browne & Co. will again serve the interests of northwestern horsemen and stockmen as of old, through the one publication of the North Pacific Rural Spirit. The step has not been an unexpected one, for sufficient business has not as yet developed in the northwest to make a straight harness horse publication a paying proposition. For two score years, however, the trotting horse interests of the states of Oregon, Washington, California, Montana, Idaho and the western provinces of Canada were ably covered by the North Pacific Rural Spirit, and the reappearance of that sheet with a lively turf department will be welcomed as an old friend returned after a long journey.

We regret, however, as do the publishers and their public as well, the enforced passing of the Pacific Horse Review. Under the able editorship of John McClintock, and more recently of G. A. Westgate, the paper has been bright and newsy and a welcome visitor to our exchange table and to the homes of a goodly circle of readers, but news and welcome do not, alone, pay salaries and printers' bills. Horsemen's interests will in no way suffer by the present move as they will be served by the Spirit as of old, and the publishers look forward to the day when the northwest will be able to support a straight harness horse publication. In the meantime, peace to the ashes of the departed and a hearty welcome to the new-old North Pacific Rural Spirit.

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THROUGH OUR BUSINESS COLUMNS there are offered for sale, or in two instances for lease to proper parties, three stallions that are worthy of every consideration at this season of the year when brood mare owners are beginning to plan their bookings. Tom Smith 2:13¼ needs little or no introduction to Californians, as he has repeatedly proven his speed siring abilities through the performances of numerous sons and daughters that yearly "bring home the money," and the McKinneys are constantly adding luster to the family name. Chestnut Tom 2:17¼, proven as trotter, sire, and sire of dams, carries a blood inheritance that is in every way most admirable and potent, while the third and youngest of the trio is Prince McKinney, a registered son of the "old original," with that blood backed up by direct maternal crosses to Dexter Prince, Electioneer etc. While California is proportionately better supplied with stallions than with mares, there are any number of localities in the state where any one of these three horses would pay handsome returns for the time and money invested in handling them, and they should not be overlooked by stallion owners who are replenishing their stables in view of the newly given impetus to horse breeding resulting from the great export demand, whose effects are just beginning to be realized.

AN ANNOUNCEMENT that will interest horsemen throughout the entire west is authorized as a result of an interview with William G. Durufee early in the week, when he expressed the intention of offering at private sale a number of the great stable of seasoned campaigners and youngsters that he has gathered at Los Angeles and from whose ranks have come the most successful winners of the coast. The offerings to be made are neither "has-beens" nor "maybes" but are "is-ers" of the first order, ready to take to the races.

The reason for this action on Mr. Durfee's part is a natural result of the limitation of human endeavor—a man can give proper attention to only so many individuals in the way of educating and training for speed production, and a good many months ago Mr. Durfee remarked to us that he was getting together entirely too many horses, and they keep coming on right along. With practically all of his 1914 stable more fit than ever to go to the races, there is a whole new crop of Carlokins, Copa de Oros and others that must receive attention, hence the necessity of reducing the number of already proven ones. In the two stallions mentioned above Will has every confidence that he possesses two of the very best sires in the land, and he wishes to be in position to give their get every chance to go out and get the money. Offerings of those already developed will be made at figures based on earning power proven or substantially indicated by previous repeated performances, every horse will be represented exactly as he is and will be shown in harness to substantiate all statements made as to speed at present at command. The list will include record horses, both trotters and pacers (and in regard to these it may be noted that in several instances Will has two or more horses eligible to the same classes, which curtails their further usefulness in his hands), and youngsters of both ways of going, with and without breeder's record, with speed developed with the intention of starting them in their stake engagements, as all the two and three-year-olds are provided with these valuable accessories to profit.

To those who are in the market for racing material of the very highest order obtainable locally the opportunity for filling their wants is most exceptional, and the list of offerings, which will appear at an early date in this publication, will be awaited with interest.

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CALIFORNIA BREEDERS of pure blooded draft horses should not fail to take advantage of the opportunity presented them for exchanging stallions and procuring high class young horses and mares for the improvement of their breeding stock by the sale to be held at Davis next month under the direction of the California Draft Horse Breeders Association. Such an event should be an annual fixture in this state, for, once the advantages accruing to its patrons are fully realized, the association sale should become a great clearing house and co-operative exchange market that will add thousands of dollars to the revenue of producers of pure bred drafters in California. With the United States facing the era in which it must not only supply its own great market with a large quota of animals of this description, but meet a growing South American demand and eventually furnish animals for the rehabilitating of the foreign breeds in their native homes, the association has hit upon a most opportune time for the inauguration of their sales. Entries for the first event must be in the hands of Secretary J. I. Thompson, Davis, Cal., on or before next Friday, and we bespeak a liberal patronage on the part of both consignors and buyers.

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EVERYBODY'S MAGAZINE for January carries as a most appropriate and attractive feature a dozen or more full pages of pictures of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, richly printed from plates of wonderful detail, each subject supplemented with a gracefully couched note of verbal description. The eyes of the world are upon California and her expositions, despite the warring of the powers overseas, and Everybody's has set a fashion that is not only welcome to its thousands of readers, but—like all good fashions—one that will be extensively followed by other eastern publications. Witness Everybody's little greeting: "The success of the exposition is of importance, not only to the Pacific coast but to the whole United States. We believe that. We believe in the Pacific coast. We are hoping for the success of the exposition, and we propose to do our share toward making it a success." Good work!

JOE MARKEY'S COMMENT ON GRAND CIRCUIT CHANGES SUGGESTED.

As the Breeder and Sportsman anticipated, the recommendations that the rules committee is to submit to the stewards of the Grand Circuit next Tuesday at Detroit have stirred up a good deal of discussion among horsemen and trotting horse publications, and in the most momentous matters the opinion is that the committee is on the wrong track. Of the many eastern writers who have passed judgment upon the leading proposals, none are more competent to make a statement as to the desirability or undesirability of the changes suggested than is Joe Markey of the Horse Review; Joe is an attendant at the majority of the Grand Circuit meetings and as a consequence knows whereof he speaks from actual observation, not hearsay. No man's views are accorded more respect in knowing company than are Mr. Markey's, no man has a wider acquaintance in all walks and conditions of life in horsedom, and none bear a better reputation for being "a white man" under any and all circumstances, or for expressing his honest convictions regardless of "ax grinding" or ulterior motives. Here, in part, are his views concerning the committee's action:

So far as making a material change in the number of heats raced, the four-heat plan as applied to the Columbus meeting in 1914 would have made very little change. I find that 37 races and 138 heats were contested during the Columbus fall meeting, or an average of 3.73 heats per race.

Recommendation No. 15 will, in my opinion, if endorsed by the stewards in their Detroit session, bring to the Grand Circuit more trouble and a greater "come back" than any racing organization ever brought down upon its own head. Its passage would be equivalent to shelling one's own troops, or getting tar and feathers in order to offer oneself this personal indignity. In a letter sent out by Secretary H. J. Kline of the Grand Circuit, he requests that all elements connected with the business meet with the stewards in Detroit, and give voice to any suggestions they may have in mind for the betterment of the circuit. I may be on hand on that occasion, but will not await the event in order to speak my mind. If that recommendation passes, I can see the slimmest entry lists the big ring early-closers ever received; not only that, but I predict that the American and National Trotting Associations will be served with injunctions and damage suits brought against them because of the A. T. A. rule 49, and its sister rule endorsed by the N. T. A.

Every breeder who marked a horse in fast time in 1914, according to the rule giving him such license, is penalized, likewise every purchaser of these time-record horses, for recommendation No. 15 absolutely disfranchises these horses from eligibility to the G. C. early-closing events. Here it is: "That in early-closing events no horse without a winning race record shall be eligible, or that no horse be eligible whose non-winning race record is faster than the class defined for such early closing events." If you had the misfortune to have marked a horse in 1911 against time, you have no G. C. opportunities, aside from the class races—you cannot enter in any stake events.

Furthermore, the non-winning race-record of your steed is the one that counts, not the winning race record, as you and I were led to believe. For instance, there is Peter Scott 2:07½, for which Tommy Murphy paid $30,000, acting for a patron. He is eligible to the 2:08 class, and since there are few stakes in which he can contest, he is, as a prospective money winner, not as useful as an ordinary hobbled pacer that can step in 2:10. I name Peter Scott merely to show the hardship and injustice which the rule would inflict upon many of the 1914 trotters and pacers, which failed to win races. In Peter's case he was retired early in the campaign, and was not, to my knowledge, in a single race that he could have won. If the G. C. officials take the standpoint that numerous horses were raced with a view to keeping them over and taking advantage of the rule, then they may look back to the many horses that in the past were similarly raced for weeks under their own jurisdiction, and unmarked through the ineffiency of the judges. It may be a bad rule, but since the G. C. was foremost in having it passed and even forcing it upon many objecting members attending the A. T. A. and N. T. A. congresses of 1914, they should abide by their own recommendations. I attended the G. C. stewards meetings held at Grand Rapids, Mich., last season, and from the official report of the proceedings I glean the following resolution.

"We thoroughly approve the following proposed amendment to the rules:

"In determining the eligibility of horses to compete in public races, only the records made by winners of races shall be considered. Records made in performances against time and in public races by non-winners shall not be considered a bar to elgibility to races."

The principal officials of all the Grand Circuit tracks were present during their Grand Rapids session, and I distinctly recall that H. J. Kline and other officials were on hand when the A. T. A. congress met in Chicago last February; also I remember that they stuck for the rule during three hours of heated debate.

I say that the rule may not be a good one (with competent judging I think that it is), but if I were a member of an organization that passed the rule and encouraged everyone to make use of it, I would certainly not turn my coat and attempt to make them the victims of my own folly. But those whom the G. C. propose to penalize for having raced under their rule are not likely to lose much by remaining out of their early-closers. There is California, and big money hung up by the Panama-Pacific Exposition for the June and fall meetings, the Great Western Circuit, and the big state fairs, all of which will abide by the rule.

Since I am required to report the majority of Grand Circuit meetings, I am naturally very much interested in its welfare, but once in a while I think that the gentlemen who control its destinies shoot wide of the mark, as in this instance.

I cannot conceive of any move that the Grand Circuit could make that was better calculated to keep horses out of its stakes than that which it proposes to adopt. I may be very much in error, but I will risk the prophecy that recommendation No. 15, if passed, will create the biggest storm and raise the greatest ruction that has occurred in trotting circles since the sport was first organized, and that, to use a slang term, is a "double-coupled cinch."

To my way of thinking, the one very important thing that would contribute more toward putting the Grand Circuit on a stable basis, would be reform of the present system of judging. The three-judge system, each official vested with equal rights, is a ridiculous farce, and has done more to injure track racing and encourage cheating, collusion and manipulation than any other feature connected with the business. They engage one so-called professional judge, and whether these especially selected officials possess the required qualifications or not, their usefulness and authority is discounted by the presence of two confreres who sit with them, and are equally potent in all decisions made. Granting that the professional judge has ability, character, firmness and the courage of his convictions, he has no more to say, no greater authority, than the pair of gentlemen who are not supposed to be other than honored by the position they are asked to fill. When difficulties arise, and they very often do, there is no one apparently responsible, no one upon whom the blame for bad decisions falls. The presiding judge will tell you in strict confidence, and not for publication, that he saw a heat so-and-so; that he would have taken such action in certain contingencies, but that his brother judges overruled him. Or, perhaps, it's one of the associate judges that make the same observation. Each and every one of them wants to get out from under and provide an alibi when situations arise in which they find themselves severely criticized. I grant every man who occupies the judges' stand the credit of being honest, but very often they are influenced by friends on the outside, and thus unconsciously their verdicts are not what they should be. Give one judge full power and authority over all matters pertaining to the conduct of the races and the application of the rules; make him supreme, and if he proves himself incompetent or lacking in intelligence, dismiss him and secure a more worthy successor. The three-judge system has long been a travesty, and as long as we retain three officials we will continue to have trouble. Our judges' stand today does not inspire sufficient confidence on the part of the public or the horsemen.

I have always said that a competent, high-class judge, vested with authority, could, inside of a couple of weeks, rid the G. C. of every suggestion of unfair racing, clean it up, and by being fair and impartial in his rulings, make even the drivers who are inclined to cheat, respect and admire him. I don't believe that there is a driver on the turf who would not rather race his horses on the square than to do otherwise. But as they will tell you that so long as the judges permit other fellows to "get by" with things, they would be fools if they, too, didn't take advantage of their opportunities. There is at present not nearly so much cheating and collusion as was the case when the plungers infested the circuit, but particularly in the class races, there is a deal of "helping" going on. The stakes are of sufficient value to insure a conscientious effort to win, but in class races, where first money is only $400, and perhaps from $10,000 to $15,000 is wagered, the incentive to cheat is great.

I do not make these remarks in a spirit of criticism, but rather in the hope that they will do some good along the line suggested. It might be well to retain two associate judges, but confine their functions to merely taking account of breaks, calling the presiding judge's attention to things that occur during the progress of races, and assist him in placing the second, third, etc., horses.

THE THREE HEAT RECORD HOLDERS.

H. T. White, American Horse Breeder.

"Mile heats, three in five," always has been the popular and prevailing fashion in harness racing, despite the efforts, frenzied and otherwise, of various "reform," "popularity" and "more equitable" movements that have appeared, peeped coyly at the surroundings a few times, and then disappeared.

Hence the fact that, in 1914, the record for three-heat races, or "three heats in a race," as the distinction generally is referred to, was beaten no less than three times is of considerably greater importance than would appear to be the case were one to judge the matter by the lack of attention accorded it by turf journals.

Until this season, the best three-heat record was that of Hamburg Belle 2:01¼, made in 1908 at [illegible]ford, Conn., when the Axworthy mare won the $10,000 Charter Oak in 2:05, 2:06, 2:04¾. For five campaigns after it went on the books, that record, despite the fact that many brilliant performances by trotters took place each season, stood unbeaten, only to be thrice eclipsed in the next one, and there are features connected with the three trotters—Etawah, Rhythmell and Maymack—that successively held the honor this year, that make something more than a bald chronicle of their work worth putting into print.

Etawah's work—three heats in 2:03½, 2:03½, 2:03¾, at the Lexington meeting, an average of 2:03.58—has been too well written of to need further publicity at this time, save to say that the aggregate time of his three heats is just three and one-third seconds faster than that of his nearest competitor, the California mare, Maymack, four and one-half seconds faster than that of Rhythmell, and five seconds faster than the performance of Hamburg Belle, which stood so long at the top. Etawah, in addition to being a half-mile track performer of note at two and a wonderful three-year-old trotter, is an Electioneer "three ways," as sporting men put the matter, and furthermore gets the foundation strain through a trio of remarkable colt performers, as he runs in the male line to Electioneer through Al Stanley 2:08¼, a half-mile track champion at two, and in the female line has for his dam a mare by Arion 2:07¾, a two-year-old champion; grandam by a son of Bell Boy 2:19¼, another two-year-old champion, both that horse and Arion being by Electioneer. Add to this the fact that Al Stanley was sired by Todd 2:14¾ (who trotted a public trial in 2:21 at two), son of Bingen 2:06¼ (public trial in 2:12¾ as a two-year-old), and we have a combination that commits Etawah irrevocably to the Electioneer family.

When one comes to consider the work of the two mares that, in 1914, beat the championship three-heat record of another mare, Hamburg Belle, it is found that there really is no great difference between the three when the matter is reduced to figures, the average of Maymack's race being 2:04.91, that of Rhythmell 2:05.07, and that of Hamburg Belle 2:05.25. Each race was won handily, and, as to tracks, probably that at Hartford, where Hamburg Belle performed, was the slowest. As to the merits of the respective contests, every man may take his pick after the plain facts are recorded, because it is not my habit to do any very hefty arguing, believing, as I do, that the average reader of turf papers is well equipped to look after that part of the job. A man once wrote to a paper anent something I had written: "I like White's articles because he gives you all the facts and does not try to cram his own ideas down your throat," and that compliment is among my most cherished possessions.

The first important fact regarding these three mares that, at one time and another, have held the three-heat championship is that each runs in the male line to George Wilkes 2:22, a champion trotting stallion and founder of a great family of trotters. Maymack is by Arthur Wilkes, son of Guy Wilkes 2:15¼, he by George Wilkes. Rhythmell is by Rhythmic 2:06¾, son of Oakland Baron 2:09¼, he by Baron Wilkes 2:18, son of George Wilkes. Hamburg Belle is by Axworthy 3, 2:15½, son of Axtell 3, 2:12, grandson of George Wilkes.

In all of which presentment may be seen an important fact, and from that fact a lesson may or may not be deduced, according to the taste and fancy of the reader. But, because it properly belongs there, I will begin presentation of the female lines of these mares with the statement that Hamburg Belle runs to George Wilkes on that side of the house as well as on the male side, her dam, Sally Simmons 2:13¼, being a daughter of Simmons 2:28, son of George Wilkes.

Maymack's female line pedigree is, indeed, peculiar, as it not only includes two crosses to Electioneer, but these crosses come through two sons (Whips and Antevolo) which sired, respectively, the first and the second dams of Maymack, and that were bred in accordance with the one-time prevalent idea that close up thoroughbred blood was a good thing in the pedigree of a trotter. Whips, who sired the dam of Maymack, had for his dam Lizzie Whips, a fine race nag; she by Enquirer, and from a Vandal mare. Lizzie Whips was one of the outstanding mares of what, in her day, was the topnotch American family of thoroughbreds, and was bought by Gov. Stanford, together with several other thoroughbred mares, for the express purpose of mating her with Electioneer. By that sire she produced two trotters—Whips 2:27½, now credited with ten trotters, one pacer, four sires of five trotters and two pacers, and six dams of eight trotters and two pacers—and the brown mare, Linnet 2:29½, foaled in 1888, who took her record at three, and has not produced standard speed.

Volita, second dam of Maymack, is a daughter of Antevolo 2:19½, whose dam was Columbine (dam of four trotters, six sires of 129 trotters and 36 pacers, and of two dams that have produced three trotters), by A. W. Richmond; grandam, Columbia, by the thoroughbred Bonnie Scotland. This Bonnie Scotland, albeit a thoroughbred and the sire of many notable performers on the running turf of long ago, also figures in the trotting archives as the sire of the black gelding, Scotland 2:22½ (record made in 1887). And the dam of this gelding (which was trained by William H. Doble, father of Budd Doble, and driven by both men) was none other than the famous Pilot Jr. mare, Waterwitch, whose son, Mambrino Gift 2:20, once held the record for trotting stallions, whose other sons, Viking, Warder and Water-

were esteemed among the best in their day, and whose daughters produced speed, one of them, mated with Electioneer, being the dam of such sires as Sphinx, Egotist and Electrite. But Joseph Cairn Simpson, who bred Antevolo and some of the other foals of Columbine, first sent his Bonnie Scotland mare, Columbine, to A. W. Richmond, son of Simpson's Blackbird, a running bred stallion, so Columbine practically was a thoroughbred mare as pedigrees went in those days.

This combination of Wilkes blood in the male line and double Electioneer and double thoroughbred crosses in the female line is unique among trotters, and, a few years ago, when there still was a devoted band of adherents to the thoroughbred-blood-in-trotting-pedigrees on earth and willing to argue the matter at any and all times, the performance of Maymack would have been heralded from one end of the land to the other as proof that Gov. Stanford and Joseph Cairn Simpson were right in their breeding practices so far as using thoroughbred mares and a trotting stallion was concerned. But now, such be the degenerate times, nobody raises even a feeble yip of triumph. All hands agree that the George Wilkes and Electioneer crosses are what made Maymack a great trotter, and the mention of the Enquirer and Bonnie Scotland strains evokes only a tolerant smile. Still, it's both interesting and instructive when such reminders of bygone fads and fancies crop up.

Rhythmell, like Maymack, runs in the female line to Electioneer, her dam being ElizabethEads 2:19¼, by Bow Bells 2:19¼ (son of Electioneer and Beautiful Bells); grandam by Vasco; third dam by The King (brother of Gambetta Wilkes), by George Wilkes. The dam of Bow Dean was by Aberdeen; second dam by Red Wilkes, son of George Wilkes.

And now we come to a phase of the matter which to me seems very important as determining the relative status of the two mares whose bloodlines already have been considered, and the third of the trio, Hamburg Belle.

Both Maymack and Rhythmell made their best records in their championship three-heat races, the latter being credited with 2:04¼ and the California mare with 2:04½. A year after her Hartford performance, Hamburg Belle accomplished a greater feat in the line of race trotting than ever has been credited to another horse, defeating Uhlan at the North Randall track in 2:01¼, 2:01¾. Whether or not Uhlan, in his later form, could have equaled or beaten that two-heat record is beside the question, since, on account of the gelding's retirement, it never can be determined, but, in regard to Hamburg Belle and Maymack and Rhythmell, there is a definite basis of comparison from which logical deductions may be made. In her race with Uhlan, Hamburg Belle trotted two consecutive heats that averaged 2:01½, and a third heat that afternoon in 2:11½ would have constituted a performance better than the present three-heat record by a mare.

No horseman will doubt that a third mile well within the 2:11½ mark would that day have been easy for the daughter of Axworthy, especially in view of the fact that, in the second heat of her race, she came home alone from the half-mile post, Uhlan breaking at that point and never again getting within hailing distance of the mare. In fact, a third mile in 2:06 would be a conservative estimate of her capacity. The best two consecutive heats to the credit of Maymack are the first and second miles of her Phoenix race, they being 2:04½, 2:05¼, and average of 2:04.87. Then she came back a third time in 2:05, a truly remarkable performance. Rhythmell's best two heats also figure in her three-heat race, she doing the second and third miles in 2:05¼, 2:04¼. Hence, Maymack and Rhythmell, regarding two-heat work in a race, figure exactly alike, their average being just under 2:05, or three and one-quarter seconds slower than Hamburg Belle's best two consecutive heats in a race.

In these days, when the superiority of the stallion over the mare or the gelding in the ultimate speed achievement of the trotter is preached by men of science (who should know most about such matters), it is rather remarkable that a gelding should hold the trotting record, that a mare should stand at the top for a two-heat race record, and another mare hold the three-heat race record for five years. And, furthermore, as collaterally interesting, it may be told that two of the three mares holding the three-heat record for their sex—Maymack and Rhythmell—were not always in the best of repute as to manners, Maymack, before she was taken in hand by Charles DeRyder, having been distanced in all her starts in 1912, while Rhythmell, after performing creditably in 1912 as a three-year-old, did not win a race in 1913, although she took down a heat in 2:06½, and, in fact, it was not until towards the close of the 1914 season that she was a reliable racing tool. Bert Shank, a monument of patience when it comes to bad horses and a trainer of proven ability, made Rhythmell what she is.

Both Shank and DeRyder are men of large experience and proven ability in the matter of training trotters, and W. J. Andrews, who set the three-heat record with Hamburg Belle and still holds with her the best two-heat performance, is in their class—indeed, in the matter of giving records of 2:05 or better to trotters, my impression is that Andrews stands at the head of his profession in point of numbers.

The stewards of the Grand Circuit meet Tuesday at Detroit, so that we will soon know "who is who and which is what" for the season of 1915.

Wintering at San Jose

The weather man seems to have it in for me whenever I go to San Jose to spend a few hours with the boys and horses that are wintering there; the morning after Christmas day I hustled down and caught a seven o'clock train for the town down the peninsula, but before I arrived the rain was coming down in a manner that caused me to do a right about face and return to the city; last Saturday I tried it again, and though there was no rain there was a first class sample of a good thick tule fog that hung on until well after mid-day. However, the dampness is fine business for everybody at this season of the year in California, and nobody was kicking. It is true that the morning bore such a resemblance to a genuine Puget Sound morning that E. R. Dunn was inclined to be a bit homesick for that good old Seattle, but he bore up fairly well and took his daily work in pretty good shape.

Matt Zahner is one of the familiar figures at San Jose during the winter months, and is giving the prep to four likely ones belonging to W. L. Humphreyville, one of California's old time friends of the trotter, the four all tracing to a daughter of Planet owned years ago by Mr. Humphreyville. H. C., a five-year-old black gelding by Highland C. 2:19¼ (sire of Chiquita 2:08½, etc.), is a nice going, good sized trotter out of Minnie H. trial 2:17 by Iran Alto 2:12¼, second dam Old Nell by Jim Mulvenna 2:27¾ (a son of Nutwood 2:18¾ and the great brood mare Jane McLane), third dam Nelly H. by Planet. In Lady Bon, a three-year-old filly out of the same mare, but by Bon McKinney 2:24½, her owner has one of the truly nice youngsters of San Jose, and refused a good sized offer for her as a two-year-old from Captain McCan. Wm. H., a chestnut gelding by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ and out of Old Nell, trotted the San Jose track last year right at 2:10 and looks like one that ought to earn some money in the future. Lady Steinway by Bonnie Steinway 2:06¼ and also out of Old Nell, is just nicely broken but is a natural pacer and moves along very nicely at that gait.

In addition to the above Matt has his old standby, Fred Branch 2:28 by Morris A. 45046 (sire of Choro Prince 2:08¾, etc.), first dam Bessie Vachell by Acrobat 15184, and is keeping him in nice winter shape for a stud season and perhaps a bit of racing later. Last year the boy stood at Hollister and was very well patronized, but Matt is as yet undecided as to where he will locate him this year.

Jack Villar is at his "old stand" with five head that promise to give a pretty fair account of themselves later in the year, mostly youngsters who have yet to face the starter in professional company, the only campaigner in the bunch being the chestnut mare Lady Arabella by Alta Vela 2:11¼, dam Ida Bell by Dawn 2:18¾, sire of the dams of Robert I. 2:08¾, etc. Jack is long on pacers, as the Lady is the only trotter in the string, but the pacers look to be of the right kind. Lynmour, a five-year-old black stallion, has the blocky compactness of the Directs, but is a double-barreled Guy Wilkes, being by Lynwood W. 2:20½ and out of Nellie by Seymour Wilkes 2:08½, both sires represented ranking high among the tried and proven sons of Wm. Corbitt's old premier. The lad worked nicely last year in 2:14, with quarters in :29, and is built to go the route and repeat with the longest stayers he will meet. A four-year-old daughter of Nearest McKinney 2:13¼ repeated last year in 2:15 and has a strong speed inheritance on the maternal side, her dam being by Direct 2:05½ and out of Nelly Bly. There is a prospective fast new one for Demonio 2:11¼ in the three-year-old gelding La Plata that worked as a two-year-old in 2:28, and the Demonio blood is backed up well by the infusion the lad gets from his dam, Twenty-Three Skiddoo by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, second dam Twenty-Third (dam of Sterling McKinney 2:06¼, etc.)by Director 2:17. The other member of the stable is the three-year-old filly Rosie O. that Jack bought last fall for Jimmy Ryan of this city. As a two-year-old the lass did yeoman service on the road for a truck grower, and then raced in a matinee in 2:21, so she looks pretty good to Jack—or anybody else. She shows good breeding all over, but aside from the fact that her sire is a son of Director Jack couldn't enlighten me on those lines.

The Cochato branch of the Bingen family has established itself in pretty substantial form in the east, but very few of the family have found their way back to California, which was the birthplace of the progenitor of all the Bingens—May King 2:21¼. However, if the "samples" at San Jose are fair representatives of the family, California can stand a few more of the same, and owner E. R. Dunn of Seattle apparently has a pretty good eye for youngsters, as he picked out his pair at Allendale Farm when they were weanlings. They are now two-year-olds and as nice colts as one can ask to see. The colt is a husky bay fellow out of Fanny Wiggins by Wiggins 2:19½, second dam Cecelia W. by Wilton 2:19¼, and has a mighty handy way of pacing, while the filly trots. The girl carries a maternal cross back to California, being out of Baroness Maid by the futurity sire, Baron Wilkes, second dam Peeress Maid by Dexter Prince, third dam Peko 2:24 by Electioneer, both of the latter mares bred at Palo Alto. She is a finely finished thing with a nice way of going, and the pair promise to demand every respect when they face the starter.

John Quinn with the Borden horse has the largest stable on the grounds at present, as eleven head are coming in for his attention daily, quite a number of them of Mr. Borden's own breeding, the get of Barney Barnato 2:19½. This son of Zombro got his initial performer in 1914 in the three-year-old pacer Alto Barnato 2:12½, winner of second money in the three-year-old pacing division of the Breeders Futurity and a good contestant in other events. Alto Barnato is out of La Belle Altamont by Altamont 2:26¾ (sire of the dams of seven or more 2:10 performers) and has two full sisters in the present training string, two and three years old, respectively, and both promising trotters. Barney Barnato is further represented by the three-year-old pacing gelding Sheldon B., that was a money winner as a two-year-old in the Breeders Futurity, and a two-year-old full brother that operates on the trot. The dam of these youngsters is Ramona by Prince Robert, and they are both good individuals and promising prospects; the elder worked in 2:17 last year. Another two-year-old trotting filly is a racy looking lassie, by Barney and out of Directola by Direct 2:05½.

For the pacing contingent the stable is pinning its faith to two members of the royal families of that gait—Sir Guy Dillon, a full brother to the dead Guy Borden 2:07¼, and Helen Mac, a sister to last season's pacing queen of the coast, Clara Mac 2:04½. The Guy Dillon—Carlotta Wilkes fellow is built "from the ground up" and has plenty of spunk and snap; no great things have as yet been asked of him, but he has easily fulfilled all requests so far. Individually, Helen Mac suits me a bit better than her famous sister, with whom I never found much fault! Here's hoping that she proves as fast.

Another Expressive Mac, this one a trotter, is an equally nice mare, a bit younger, out of Miss Idaho 2:09¼ by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, the blood combination being one that ought to produce speed in generous quantity. John thinks very well of her from the way she answers his calls to date. Another trotter that has yet to be heard from in company but who has a breeder's record of 2:19¼ made in 1914, is the bay stallion Major's By Guy, by Major Dillon 2:18½ and out of the great brood mare By Guy by Guy Wilkes 2:15½. This fellow not only has a most pleasing way of going but is excellently put together and has the very best of manners.

Albaloma 2:08¼ and Baby Doll 2:10¼, who are "at the head of the class" which John is educating, need no comment here other than that they could scarcely be in finer winter shape. John will begin setting down on them a bit before many weeks, and they can be relied upon to furnish some of the contests at the June meeting down on the bay.

Ben Walker, recently back from the east and not long out of the hospital, has thrown in with the boys at San Jose and on Saturday was busy leveling stall floors with an adze, or some similar deadly weapon, and spreading straw with an expert twist of the wrist and a pitchfork with the "new" not yet knocked off the handle. Ben and his friends are exuberant over the success of the latest operation, which has removed the last ill effects resulting from the Columbus spill, and he is looking forward to more usefulness in the sulky. At present he has the "meal ticket" Kinneysham 2:13¼, and he expected another one or so this week, with probably an eastern top-notcher or two to come to him for the big trots at the P.-P. I. E. Ben has no hankering for a big stable, but is keeping an eye peeled for a few of the right sort, and will doubtless have them where he wants them when the bell rings.

Just before leaving for the city in the afternoon I ran across T. O. Webber, the new manager of the San Jose Driving Park, to whose efforts are due the present improved appearance of the grounds, and who promises even better future results, as most of his work to date has been confined to cleaning up—which was of itself no small task. The grounds have a "picked up" appearance that has been lacking for some time, stalls have been cleaned out, doors hung, cracks battened, whitewash applied, and more to be applied. The track has come in for the work needed to keep it in fair jogging shape while the other much needed tasks were being attended to, and from now on will be kept right up to the minute for speed making, as the boys will soon be moving up a notch at a time. T. W. Barstow will soon join the colony with some youngsters, and Jim Kirby of Boise, and J. A. Ritchey and S. J. Vaughn of the land of the "Webfoot" in the Willamette Valley have written in regard to stall room and expressed their intention of coming down to the San Jose track. Several other California stables are expected later on, and by the time spring is well advanced the San Jose Driving Park will again present the appearance of a real race track in real use. Mr. Webber deserves every success in repayment for his efforts in making San Jose a fit place to train again, and indications are that "the boys" will support him heartily.—[Neal.]

NOTES and NEWS

Helen Belle (2) 2:22¼.

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Miss Carlokin (3) p. 2:20.

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Both new ones for Carlokin 2:07½.

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And they went in the list December 29, at Los Angeles.

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Which is fairly well along in the racing season even for southern California.

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And in Chicago——

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In Chicago, kind friends, at last writing, it "appeared probable" that Jody Hartford's ice races on Douglas Boulevard would have to be postponed from New Year's day on account of the weather.

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Did "the beautiful" all melt, or was it just naturally too durned cold and streets blocked too badly to risk getting that far away from home?

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Speaking of Chicago——

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As we said, speaking of Chicago, here's a bet overlooked by Mr. Bauer when he invoked the silence of California and Florida "gentlemen" while he boosted Chicago's climate:

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Portland, Oregon, Christmas Day.—The annual swimming race held over the quarter-mile course in the Willamette river under the auspices of the Multnomah Club took place this afternoon, with a very large entry list of aquatic stars.

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Speaking of Chicago (and we hate to do it, for with all her faults and her stockyards smell that reminds one of something dead as, that is, of something dead, we love her still)——

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Can you picture this scene transferred to the bosom of Bubbly Creek in that "climatic paradise" on December 25th?

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You simply kinnot, Genevieve, so don't try, but——

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In regard to that "climatic paradise" business:

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Pipe this one that the hobo print immortalized years ago after an inebriate snooze on the bunk in the boss' sanctum——

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"Last night I slept in an editor's bed,
No editor was there nigh;
And I thought, as I slept in that editor's bed,
'How easily editors lie!'"

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Wherewith we will proceed to blow out the gas.

Ben Walker will winter at San Jose and fit a small but extra select stable for the 1915 campaign.

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Dan Mizner, who has his stable of trotters and pacers at the Pleasanton Driving Park, has been "laying up" for several days here in the city, ridding himself of a severe cold. It loosened up enough this week for him to go back to the valley town and "get up behind 'em" again.

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Walter G. Parmer's bid of $6,000 for the Duke of Ormonde—Gold Lace youngster purchased by Wm. Wallace of Lexington for $900 has been raised to $7,500 by Garrett D. Wilson, but Mr. Wallace has confidence of a ten-thousand dollar nature in the youngster, and states that he is in no hurry to sell even at the five-figure price.

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H. W. Buckbee of Rockford, Ill., has purchased of G. D. Conner of Detroit the Great Heart stallion Irving Heart. Charley DeRyder drove this boy in a number of Grand Circuit events last season and gave him a mark of 2:09¼ at Columbus, Signal Boy winning the race after six heats had been trotted right in the same notch. He is eligible to the 2:15 class and in that company ought to be a right good horse.

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Meteor 2:17½, an old time trotting stallion well known in the Northwest, was found dead in his stall at Everett, Wash., last week. The old horse was in good shape up to the time of his death, though in his twenty-sixth year. He was bred in lines of longevity, being a son of Commodore Belmont 4340, by Belmont 64, and a sire of more than passing merit, especially in the female line. Meteor's dam was the Morgan mare Eloise, in the great brood mare list and inheriting maternal greatness through the Black Hawks, the Golddust tribe and the Grey Eagles. Meteor has no representative in the list, though a sire of promising colts. He raced from Butte to Salem and back again through numerous seasons and was a game trotter whose name appears in a respectable place through many race summaries. Meteor was a horse of style and action in his day.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

Will Durfee came up from Los Angeles last week and spent several days in the vicinity of San Francisco and Oakland, visiting his parents and numerous friends and transacting a bit of business "on the side." After a trip to the track and barns at the exposition grounds he was more enthusiastic than ever over the prospect for some great racing at the trotting meetings in June and November, and is of the opinion that when the fast ones hit the dirt on the long stretches they will simply "eat it up." Incidentally, somebody will have to ride some fast miles to keep Will from getting some of the best divvies of the big money.

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G. W. Lowery paid a visit to the Pleasanton track last week to take a look at the horses that Will DeRyder is handling for him, and returned well pleased with the outlook for their success in 1915. Dicto, the bay son of Dictatus Medium and Letter B. Jr. (dam of Cresto 2:12½) stepped the Stadium track for Will in 2:08½ in a race and after going to Pleasanton went the route there right at the 2:07 mark, so there is good reason for expecting something of him this season. Mr. Lowery is more than pleased with Spriggan, the MacKenzie gelding purchased at the recent sale, and with this lad for the trots and Dicto for the sidewheeler events the stable ought to pull down a fair portion of the money wherever and whenever they start.

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The crop of foals for the season of 1914 from the Walnut Hall Farm has been consigned to the Fasig-Tipton company's midwinter sale, this course having been decided upon by Mr. Harkness last October as the one he would follow in the future. As Mr. Billings will also sell the products of Curls Neck Farm as yearlings, buyers will have an opportunity to "pick 'em young" from the get of the champion stallions and very great mares, and the success of the selections will be watched with a great deal of interest. There is much merit in the plan, as the youngsters will be merely halter broken and untried in any form, so buyers will have only their own judgment to aid them and will get sound, unhurt babies whose entire education can be given according to their personal ideas.

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Eastern horsemen, especially those of New York and vicinity, are locating at the old Empire City track at Yonkers in goodly numbers and stables are expected to be pretty well filled before the training season is well advanced. Empire City is a good training ground, as there are both mile and half-mile tracks, with a shorter course in the big barn for jogging during stormy weather.

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Our early rainfall may have been a bit short, but there has been no lack of moisture for the last few weeks. Tuesday night's downpour here in the city was a genuine spill, and reports from all over the state give evidence of an excellent crop prospect, while grass has already made a pretty fair growth.

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One of the pleasant little notes that came our way recently was that from Elias Gallup of Hanford, father of "W. W." of Clara Mac fame, and a pioneer breeder in California small livestock. Mr. Gallup, now well along toward the four-score mark, admits to a natural fondness for horses, but makes Poland-China hogs his "main hold." He has bred them since 1877 and registered the first animal of that breed from California, also being a stock holder in the American Poland-China register association. Pedigreed chickens have claimed his attention even longer than have the big black swine, as he has bred Leghorns ever since 1854, having seen the first of the White Leghorns that came to this country from Italy; he is state vice-president of the Brown Leghorn Club and a member of the American Dominique Club. In concluding his pleasant letter Mr. Gallup makes the statement that he is "about played out," but his writing is that of a man with lots of good leather in him, and we hope to be able to number him among our friends for many years to come.

POLO TOURNAMENT AT THE P.-P. I. E.

The long and eagerly expected announcement of the opening of the subscription list for boxes at the Universal Polo Tournament to be held at the exposition polo field in March, continuing until the end of April, was made December 28, by D. O. Lively, Chief of the Department of Live Stock for the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, under whose general supervision the polo activities will be held. The decision to open the box list at this date was made at a meeting of the Executive Committee of which Joseph S. Tobin is chairman, J. Cheever Cowden is vice-chairman and Francis Carolan, George T. Cameron, Edward W. Howard and John B. Miller are members.

Orders for boxes, the price of which has been set at $100 for the period of the tournament at the exposition grounds, have been pouring in ever since the announcement was made of the details of the meet, which will bring out the foremost players of the world. Stall room has been provided for 500 ponies, among them some of the finest in their class. Every indication points to the appearance of the defenders of the cup to take part in the tournament, and a special added feature, consisting of a championship event, the game to be played between picked teams from the East and from the California players, will give to the tournament a class never before equaled in the west. This event has a particular interest in that it is expected to demonstrate the relative [illegible] of California and eastern ponies as well as the prowess of the players.

The polo tournament undoubtedly will be the big society event of the year, especially as the largest contingent of eastern polo enthusiasts and prominent society people ever gathered in California at one time are coming to attend. The appointment recently of Mr. James B. Cooley, Esq., of New York, to co-operate in the management of the tournament has operated largely to identify the poloists at Meadowbrook and Naragansett Pier with the California meet, Mr. Cooley having the management of the Meadowbrook field and being closely associated with the annual tournaments of the Polo Association at Narragansett Pier. His management of the ponies, fields and the crowds at the International matches has given him a world wide reputation, and his position with the Exposition Universal Polo Tournament, under the auspices of the American Polo Association, give promise of a meet unequaled in the annals of the sport.

AMERICAN NATIONAL LIVE STOCK ASSOCIATION CONVENTION, MARCH 24-25-26.

Denver, Colorado, January 1, 1915.

To Members and All Live Stock Associations and Live Stock Producers:

Call is hereby made for the eighteenth annual convention of the American National Live Stock Association to be held in Hall A, first floor of Exposition Memorial Auditorium, San Francisco, California, March 24th, 25th and 26th, 1915; convening at 10 o'clock a. m., on Wednesday, March 24th—morning sessions only.

At our last annual meeting it was decided to hold our 1915 convention in San Francisco during the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, at a date to be fixed by the executive committee. It has been customary to hold our annual meetings in January, but owing to the fact that the Exposition does not open until February 20th, 1915, it became necessary to fix a later date, and the executive committee, after considering the dates of other annual live stock meetings to be held early in the year, selected the above as the most convenient for the majority of our members.

The live stock industry was never confronted with more serious problems. It is passing through a very wide spread attack of foot and mouth disease. Railroads are proposing to largely advance their rates on live stock and its products. Range conditions are yearly becoming more unsatisfactory. Cost of raising and maturing live stock has increased. Importations of meat have affected prices. The war in Europe has seriously disturbed all commercial conditions in the country.

Among the many subjects for consideration at our convention are: Federal control of the semiarid unappropriated public grazing lands; various land bills before congress; administration of forest reserves; railroad rates and service; delays at terminals; cases pending before the Interstate Commerce Commission regarding live stock rates; valuation in live stock contracts; suppression of foot and mouth and other infectious diseases and appropriation by Congress for same; sanitary regulations; meat inspection law; importation of live stock and meats; inspection of imported meats, hides and wool; prohibitive tax on oleomargarine; financing of live stock loans; reports of officers and standing committees.

These and other questions will be discussed by men prominent in the live stock world. An unusually interesting program is being arranged. Officers of the Bureau of Animal Industry, the Forest Service and other federal officials will be present at our convention.

Hon. Woodrow Wilson, President, will probably attend one of our sessions and deliver an address.

Only morning sessions will be held, which will leave the afternoons and evenings for sightseeing.

Very low rates have been granted to the Exposition by the railroads from all points. Tickets on sale from and after March 1st, return limit three months from date of sale. On all tickets the railroads will grant a side trip to San Diego, California, where another Exposition, called the Panama-California Exposition, will be held during the entire year of 1915.

The California Cattlemen's Protective Association will hold its annual meeting at the Exposition Memorial Auditorium on Tuesday, March 23, 1915, the day previous to our convention. That association has made extensive preparations for the entertainment of our members, delegates and their families.

The Exposition officials have designated March 26th as American National Live Stock Association Day at the Exposition grounds, and special entertainment features are being arranged for that day. During our convention there will be a live stock exhibit at the grounds.

This association will maintain an office in San Francisco from January 15, 1915, until after our convention, at room 504 Sharon building, 55 New Montgomery street, opposite the Palace Hotel.

Those desiring hotel reservations should write to Secretary Tomlinson, 504 Sharon building, San Francisco, stating as nearly as possible the kind of accommodation desired.

All stock men are cordially invited to attend our convention.

H. A. JASTRO,
President.

T. W. TOMLINSON,
Secretary.

S. H. COWELL'S PETER THE GREAT YOUNGSTERS.

"Peter the Greats" have been coming into fashion pretty rapidly for several seasons "down east," and with the conclusion of the racing season of 1914 they had "arrived" with an emphasis that admitted no sidestepping. With the performances of Peter Volo (2) 2:04½, (3) 2:03½ and the various campaigns of other members of the family, and the increase of the list of 2:10 performers to the even thirty mark, there can be no argument over the passing of the crown of McKinney as the world's greatest progenitor of 2:10 speed to the son of Pilot Medium and Santos by Grand Sentinel. California has been and always will be loyal to the great house of McKinney, but our breeders have no objections to "painting the lily" or "gilding refined gold" when it comes to improving the blood lines of their horses, and have not been backward in seeking an infusion of the blood of the premier of Patchen Wilkes Farm for mingling with the strains of the recognized "California families."

L. H. Todhunter set the "advance fashion" for Californians a few seasons back when he imported from Kentucky, upon the selection of Colonel Jim Thompson, the colt Peter McKlyo, out of Klyo by Jay McGregor 2:07¼, the youngster making himself plenty of friends and trotting to a three-year-old mark of 2:12½. Several of our brood mare owners have gone to the expense of sending their choicest matrons to the Blue Grass in order to secure Peter the Great youngsters, with much success, and others have followed Mr. Todhunter's original example and "imported" outright, the last to bring youngsters of the Blue Grass aristocracy over the sunset trail being S. H. Cowell, who is the owner of the pair brought back by Ben Walker with the Thompson-Todhunter car, the lad and lassie having been chosen by Mr. Thompson during his recent visit in the east—and Jim can generally be depended upon to "pick 'em right" when it comes to youngsters.

Individually the babies—now yearlings—leave little to be desired, and in blood inheritance they are equally pleasing, coming on the maternal side, in each instance, from a long line of speed producing ancestors. "Pedigreelogically speaking"—getting down to one of the most graphic phrases ever sprung on an unsuspecting public by John Splan—there is little choice between them, though coming from quite different families. Glancing over the tabulations of the two pedigrees the writer had a hard time; first one looked the best, then the other, and back again. Finally a decision was reached by deciding it a draw, though many would doubtless choose the colt on "paper alone." You can look them over and make your own choice.

The dam of the colt is Pretoria Bingen by Bingen 2:06¼, sire of fourteen 2:10 performers, including the champion trotter Uhlan 1:58, and whose daughters have produced a number of 2:10 trotters, young ones at that; second dam Pretoria A. (sister to Nico 2:08¼) by Arion 2:07¾ (through whom is secured a second Electioneer cross), who is the sire of eight trotters in 2:10 and whose daughters have produced half a dozen or more of like nature, including Etawah 2:03¼; the third dam, Maggie Sultan 2:30, by Sultan 2:24, produced Nico 2:08¼ and three other trotters, and the fourth dam, Maggie Prescott, produced one performer, two dams of six, and was a daughter of Jim Monroe 835, sire of the dam of Gracie Kellar 2:09¼, etc. The colt's fifth dam, Laura Logan, was the dam of two trotters, two speed producing daughters and two speed siring sons, and was by American Clay 34, whose name adorns many famous pedigrees and who was himself a progenitor of 2:10 trotting speed through his daughters over a score of years ago, Rosa Clay being the dam of the campaigner David B. 2:09¼. Sixth dam by Crusader (Low's), and seventh a daughter of Tom Hal, if you have a hankering for going "in back of beyond."

However well you may like the backing given to the Peter the Great blood in the above, you cannot refrain from a liking for this one also; perhaps you will like it best, who knows? If it wasn't for differences of opinion, politics, and religion—to say nothing of horse breeding!—would degenerate into mighty tame affairs, so you can take your choice without costing you a cent. Here you are for the filly:

First dam Ione M. 2:21¼ (dam of two) by Gambetta Wilkes 2:19¼, who leads all sons of George Wilkes in number of performers; twenty-three of his get are in the 2:10 list, he is the sire of the dams of seven or more of the same select circle, and his ninety-odd producing daughters have given to the trotting turf over one hundred and fifty performers. The second dam is Nutwood Belle (dam of two trotters, two sires and one producing daughter) by the great sire of brood mares, Nutwood 2:18¾, whose daughters are credited with over a score of 2:10 trotters and pacers; third dam Silly (dam of one trotter, one pacer, one sire, four dams) by Alert 737, a son of Hambletonian 10. Silence, the filly's fourth dam, was a daughter of Abdallah 15, and gave birth to one trotter, one pacer, one sire and four daughters that produced eight performers, while the fifth dam was Woodbine by Woodford, one of the best mares ever owned at Woodburn. Woodbine produced two sterling trotters, the dams of Proctor 2:15¾, Kurburn 2:20 and Borden 2:24¾, and of her four speed siring sons both Wedgewood 2:19 and Woodford Mambrino 2:21½ are well represented in the 2:10 list through the produce of their daughters.

For two widely different pedigrees they run nip and tuck for the writer's favor, and, as remarked above, your own choice costs you nothing.

Mr. Cowell is a gentleman whose love for the trotter is of the genuine kind that puts personal pleasure and satisfaction ahead of monetary gain, and every one will wish him luck and happy days in the future with these aristocratic youngsters.

TWO MORE FOR CARLOKIN 2:07½.

Weather conditions last week at Los Angeles were not conducive to fast racing owing to the rains that caused the repeated postponement of the farewell meeting for the year, and a curtailment of the program from the extensive card originally prepared. Nevertheless a fair crowd turned out Tuesday at Exposition Park to see five events. Scratches owing to existing conditions cut the fields to two starters in each of the competitive events. The special pace arranged in place of the 2:25 class was interrupted after Thelma and Laura Held had each taken a heat, owing to the sudden sickness of the latter. Lady Silverthorn disposed of Tim Whiffler in straight heats, and Charles Blackmar's Maxidan and Dan W. won the team race.

Carlokin 2:07½ got two new performers to add to his honor list of youngsters, which is headed by Esperanza (3) 2:09, the first three-year-old to make a clean sweep of the coast classics for that age. Helen Belle, two-year-old bay filly, started to beat 2:30¼ trotting and made the circuit in 2:22¼, and the three-year-old bay filly Miss Carlokin, starting to beat 2:25¼ pacing, annexed a breeder's record of 2:20. Helen Belle, bred, owned and driven by Will G. Durfee, is out of an eastern bred mare brought to California by Mr. Durfee a few years ago, Carolyn C. by Axtell (3) 2:12; second dam Expedience by Expedition 2:15¾, while Miss Carlokin, bred and owned by C. C. Price and driven by E. W. Mosher, is out of Miss Williams 2:09¼ by Williams 2:20½.

The original program provided for a start by Contention B. against the pacing record for three-year-old geldings, a start by Mabel Van to beat 2:10¼ trotting, and starts against time for standard records by a number of youngsters from Hemet Stock Farm, and the fact that the weather prohibited these events is much regretted by both horsemen and public.

CHARLEY JAMES DRIVES NEW ZEALAND WINNER.

In its review of the spring meeting at Forbury Park which took place late in November the New Zealand Referee makes the following note of the Progressive Handicap, awarded to Charley James, whose friends on the coast are legion: "Flora Tracey, who was driven by her owner, Mr. F. Amor, was made a good first favorite, and quickly established such a big lead that it seemed impossible for her to be beaten. Over the last half-mile Prince Toronto, who had been lying a long way back in the early stages, commenced a strong run. In the straight he was fast overhauling Flora Tracey, who was running out fairly wide, but when Prince Toronto attempted to come through on the rails closed in on him. C. James, who was driving Prince Toronto, then had to check his horse and come round on the outside of Flora Tracey, but even so was only beaten by a little over two lengths. The interference was most pronounced, and the stewards might well have taken up the matter themselves without the owner of the second horse having to enter a protest. It did not take them very long to come to a decision to disqualify Flora Tracey, and award the race to Prince Toronto, placing Dot Robbins second and Honest Mac third. As a contest ,however, the event was solely confined to Flora Tracey and Prince Toronto, for Dot Robbins finished about a hundred yards behind the latter, and Honest Mac was a poor fourth. C. James, who drove Prince Toronto, registered his first win since his return to New Zealand at the beginning of the present year, after many years' residence in the United States, where he was associated with some of the leading men in the sport."

Other sporting publications of the dominion speak warmly of the drive Charley was making with Prince Toronto, and as he was apparently headed for the front when the interference came the crowd was with him all the time and the action of the judges was popular. The distance was a mile and a half and the stake one hundred sovereigns, Prince Toronto starting with a handicap of ten seconds and Flora Tracey twelve seconds.

New Year's Day at Pasadena

ROBERT A. SMITH, Correspondent

A Tournament of Roses without a horse would be like the Coronation Coach of England with a motor. While the florescent parade, with its floats of various designs and myriads of specially nurtured roses, at the annual Pasadena New Year's Day Festival delights the eye and appeals to the artistic sensibilities, as does a painting of one of the great masters, the presentment of the good people of the "Crown City," to their world's guests, would be only about one-third complete without the "sports," held in the afternoon on the conclusion of the parade, at the beautiful half-mile track at Tournament Park, nestled down in the sunny orange groves, with snow-clad Mt. Baldy, reminding the eastern horsemen present of their trotters at home, stabled and blanketed, unable even to jog through the banks of snow. The writer is much gratified to note that while in former years the chariot races have been the paramount attraction, the directors decided, this year, to further entertain the spectators with two harness races, and in view of the fact that the 1915 "gate" was the largest they have ever had, the harness horses must be accredited with much of the gain in attendance, as this is the first time the Tournament has had trotters and pacers on its program, and again establishing the fact that the American people, who are willing to pay admission, must have racing free from the fumes of gasoline. How the 25,000 throats of that Pasadena grandstand and bleachers yelled and echoed back from the mountains at the finish of every heat!

At the conclusion of the parade the gorgeous floats were drawn to the center of the infield, presenting perhaps the most remarkable and memorable scene ever laid on a race track in the world's history. Pasadena is the present home of chariot racing, as was ancient Rome. Four teams were entered by the charioteers, two teams racing a heat, followed by a heat between the remaining teams, the winners of the preliminary heats meeting in the final. E. J. Levengood of Chino, Cal., was the final winner of the $3,000 prize. Some idea of the furious and bloodtingling speed may be obtained by the time by quarters of one of the heats—:28, :56¼, 1:26¼, 1:56—truly remarkable speed for four runners hooked abreast to a heavy, cumbersome, old-styled steel tired chariot (such as is seen at the circus) on a half-mile track.

Sandwiched with the heats of the chariot races was the special pace for named horses, with eight entries and five starters, Alaca, Zola Patch and Sunshine being scratched. On the first score the word was given and Tim Whiffler at the pole was immediately joined in a three-horse race around the turn by Capt. Todd and the Pasadena mare Dolly Zombro. At the half Capt. Todd dropped back a length, with Whiffler still in the lead and Whitney keeping the Zombro mare right at his necktie. On the back stretch Tim made a revolution, but was on a pace in an instant, maintaining his position until entering the stretch in the final brush for home. Murphy, realizing he was beaten, eased up on his horse, Dolly winning by a length in 2:18¼. The Santa Maria entry Wayward Jr. and Miss Carlokin got into a mixup on the turn, an accident being narrowly averted, the only damage resulting was to Wayward Jr.'s knee spreader, McCormick making no further effort to win the heat. They were off on the second score in the next heat, with Dolly and Tim again battling, but at the half the crowd yelled, "See that Wayward Jr. go!" Into the back stretch the second time around Wayward was ten lengths back of the leaders, and with only about three-eighths of a mile to go, skirted the field on the outside, caught and carried Tim Whiffler to a break fifty yards from the wire and brought Mr. Whitney to the crowning effort of his "teaming" career, to stall off this rush, Dolly winning the heat and race by half a length, right back in 2:18¼. Subsequently Mr. Whitney drove the winner an exhibition mile in :35¼, 1:10¾, 1:44, 2:17½.

Four of the five trotters entered scored for the mile dash, Garret B., owned by G. L. Blosser of Santa Maria, being the only one scratched. The second score found the horses off on their journey. Directum Penn, who obtained a record of 2:12¼ in a winning race at Lexington, Ky., half a dozen years ago, raced the green gelding Chauncey by Strathway, and Danube 2:12¼, around the turn, taking the lead down the back stretch, with Danube second and Chauncey right at his wheel; these positions were maintained until at the three-quarter pole, Mr. Hewitt moved his horse up to Danube's head, trotting on the outside around the turn, when Chauncey stepped in a hole made by one of the chariot horses, causing him to break, leaving only the game old Danube to take the fight to Directum Penn. The graduate of the Salisbury stable, as in his palmier days, tried to the limit, the spirit was willing but the flesh was too weak to catch the Atkinson horse, Directum winning in 2:23½. One of the most interested spectators was Alonzo McDonald, of Grand Circuit fame, who has brought his stable to winter in California. Another "back easter" enjoying the day in the official capacity of judge, was Mr. John Sheppard, of Boston.

The summary:

Special pace, for named horses, 2 in 3, hobbles barred. First money $125, second money $75, third money $25, free entrance:

Dolly Zombro, b m by Zombro 2:11 (Whitney)	1 1
Tim Whiffler, b g by Zombro 2:11 (W. R. Murphy)	2 3
Wayward Jr., b s by Wayward (Con McCormick)	4 2
Capt. Todd, br s by Barronteer Todd (Wright)	3 5
Miss Carlokin, br m by Carlokin 2:07½ (Ed Mosher)	5 4

Time—2:18¼, 2:18¼.

Special trot for named horses, one mile dash. First money $100, second money $60, third money $25; free entrance:

Directum Penn 2:12¼, br s by Wm. Penn 2:07¼ (Atkinson)	1
Danube 2:12¼, br g by Directo (Murphy)	2
Chauncey, ch g by Strathway (Hewitt)	3
Caroline, b m by Robin (Ward)	4

Time—2:23½.

THE MARKET FOR PURE BRED DRAFT HORSES IN 1914.

Sales of draft stallions during the season now passing into history were not as numerous nor at as high prices as in 1913. Nowadays the selling season is quite generally accepted as beginning in the fall, say with the opening of the state fairs at Des Moines, but not getting under any great headway until the holding of the International, at which great show a large number of stallions and mares have annually found new owners during the past several seasons. Business transacted prior to the International is chiefly confined to one firm, or perhaps it would be more correct to say that one firm has by its methods succeeded in establishing a fall trade far in excess of any other. High prices have not been a feature of the methods employed to establish this trade, but even so, it stands to reason that the prices must have been satisfactory or they would not have been accepted. In passing, it may be mentioned that this same firm has been even more successful in disposing of its stallions imported this year than it was in the corresponding period of 1913.

As there was no International this year it will be well to consider the entire trade for all of 1914 and the month of December of the year preceding, for the reason that while many sales are made outright at the big show, the foundations are laid for many more. There is little doubt that prices obtained at the last International were better than they have been at any time since. According to published statement, J. Crouch & Son disposed of Idlefonse, the champion Percheron, to W. H. Minor for a consideration that footed to some $12,000, but was not all represented by hard cash. The Burgess Stock Farm reported some very satisfactory sales in the neighborhood of $3,000 and Dunhams sold their two-year-old black Percheron, Londrecitos, to the McLaughlin Percheron Co., Oakland, Cal., at a very long figure. Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm likewise made some highly satisfactory sales at the International of 1913, and various other owners also announced themselves well pleased with the business they had done.

Right after the show trade in imported stallions began to drop somewhat and it never again became active during the entire season, some firms previously quite prominent making but few sales, all told, and only a few cleaning up in anything like good shape. There were several reasons for this. To begin with, money was mighty scarce among farmers and many would-be purchasers demanded long time, paying nothing down, and sales on these terms have rather gone out of fashion. Then several of the importers had bought their horses on an exceptionally favorable basis abroad and thought they might as well hold them over as let them go on risky paper or sacrifice them in any other way. Those who were willing to accept long time paper sold about their usual quota, but to them it was an expensive season, because of the amount of capital borrowed or otherwise utilized in carrying the notes to first maturities. Importation of stallions is a perfect floodgate for money unless all goes well in it, and unless the turnover is reasonably rapid and certain the expenses are so high that profits are devoured.

Just how much lower prices were in the spring of 1914 than during the season previous is not known, but it is probable that they averaged several hundred dollars per head. In addition, as already stated, only a very few of the importers cleaned up at all thoroughly, the holdover delegation varying in dimensions in the various stables from three or four to ten times that number, perhaps more. Some importers had no hesitation in pronouncing it the worst season they had ever encountered. None called it good.

With the breeders the situation was slightly different. Prices were not high, but the cleanup was the best ever attained. Some government orders absorbed as many as 500 head of pure bred native stallions, and many country stallioners who theretofore had bought imported goods turned to and picked out something less expensive and bred in the United States. Besides this, many farmers, tiring of the trouble encountered in taking their mares to the horse right in the busiest season of the year, supplied themselves with coming two-year-old colts with the intention of working them in the leather, getting their own mares with foal, and so killing several dogs with the same rock. It can hardly be said that this policy can ever make for the improvement of our equine draft stock, but if the farmers themselves are satisfied surely no one else has a right to enter a protest. Before the end of last May practically every owner of a pure bred native stallion coming two or older had a chance to sell him for some sort of a price (the going offers being for three-year-olds from $400@500 and for two-year-olds from $250@400. Naturally this very greatly reduced the number of young stallions in the growers' stables, and it is probable that the crop available for this sale and service this year is smaller than it has been for many seasons.

Prices of mares in 1914 at both public and private treaty did not hold up to the level of 1913, averages at sales being materially lower and more paper offered in settlement for purchases. Dealers and breeders who have made a specialty of handling mares of fair to high class found their wares considerable of a drug, and when at all anxious to crowd stock for sale they had to accept quite heavy reductions. In the east the demand was not at all what had been expected and breeders in Indiana and Ohio seemed to have quit buying almost altogether. Some public sales of mares just missed being failures and only one or two could be called at all satisfactory.

Throughout the early portion of 1914 the West was a rather poor buyer of both stallions and mares, regions where erstwhile demand had been active not sending a single buyer afield. This was to be accounted for doubtless by the failure of crops in sundry districts for two or three seasons in succession. A pleasing feature of the season, however, was the revival of the business in California, the McLaughlin Percheron Company, to which the Dunham-McLaughlin Company is now the successor, selling a fairly large number of Percheron stallions in the Golden state at good figures, and putting the business there on a higher plane than that on which it had at any previous date rested.

Only a very few draft stallions were taken by the South or Southwest, and the eastern farmers displayed no greater desire to breed their own farm teams than they ever did. Most of the best trade hailed from Iowa and Illinois, which two commonwealths have always supplied the best buyers. Minnesota took quite a few moderate priced horses and Nebraska did likewise. There was little, if any, change in the relative demand for the various breeds.

With the declaration of war in Europe a change came over the importing business. Dunhams, Crouch & Son, the Burgess Stock Farm, Taylor & Jones and a few other importers shipped their horses early enough from Europe so as to get clear before the existing embargoes were laid against exportation, and Trumans Pioneer Stud farm and one or two others succeeded in getting British horses out of that country by special permission of the privy council after hostilities had actually begun. This left most of the importers with their selections still in Europe and without hope of being able to get them across the ocean.

As time has worn along since exportation of horses was first prohibited by France and Great Britain, it has become apparent that while the demand of the year to come does not promise to be as great as during some of those that have gone before, great benefit is bound to accrue to the home breeders. Already enough sales have been held to show that the demand for good Percheron mares and stallions is brisk. Prices for stallions, paid at auction, have been better than usual, while those paid for mares, though a trifle disappointing at some vendues, have in the main been quite as high as the class of stock warranted. —Live Stock World.



INSIDE ONE OF THE EXHIBITION BARNS AT THE P.-P. I. E.

PERCHERON BREEDERS OPTIMISTIC.

The Percheron Society of America is the most extensive and powerful of the various record associations whose efforts are devoted to the safeguarding of horse interests in the United States, its membership of over six thousand individuals exceeding that of any record association, save two whose interests are confined to cattle. California, with sixty representatives, leads all far western states in point of membership in the society, and to these, and to all horsebreeders who are in shape to come in for their share of the business that will undoubtedly follow the cessation of hostilities in Europe, the following excerpts from the address of President White at the recent meeting in Chicago will be of pertinent interest:

"In the first place I would remind you that except in our fortunate and most favored land, all the countries in the world which heretofore have been engaged in the breeding of draft horses are now engaged in their destruction. Amongst all the great nations of Europe war rages in all its unbridled license, sparing not human life, neither men, women nor children, the most venerable monuments of antiquity nor the most valuable products of human genius and industry, and it would be the most utter folly to imagine that the pure bred draft horse with all its usefulness in the battle would be spared. Except the Percheron alone, the Belgian is the most popular draft horse in America, and unless I am greatly misinformed, with the exception of those Belgian studs in America, his race is almost eliminated, and he has ceased to be a factor in the business.

"No one can have the slightest doubt that the Clydesdale and the Percheron have been freely used and heavily drafted upon by their respective governments for use in the field with the army. A few weeks ago the New York Herald informed us that France had already prohibited for at least five years the exportation of mares of any breed.

"I want to say that this is newspaper talk and I have tried to get this confirmed. I asked the Ambassador of France about it and I received a letter from him this morning in which he stated that he had not been informed of it and he probably would not be informed of it, if it had been passed, so I don't know whether it is correct or not.

"With such conditions confronting us, I feel that it is time that we were taking stock and considering well whether or not without the aid of France we are in shape to continue the breeding and the advancement of the Percheron horse.

"This Society recorded, under the administration of Mr. Stubblefield, between December, 1902, and August, 1910, approximately 29,000 animals in its books. Since that time we have added 40,271, making in all about 70,000 since 1902, a period of twelve years, thus averaging 5,833 each year. From November 30, 1901, to October 31, 1914, inclusive, we recorded 19,743 American bred stallions and 25,557 American bred mares. It is a safe assumption that during these years as many stallions as mares were foaled. These figures, therefore, seem to show that American breeders are freely using the knife on unworthy animals. This is a procedure greatly to be admired and encouraged, and if we are to become real constructive breeders, improving the worth and character of our stock, this practice must be persisted in and in the future even greater use of the knife, especially in the case of unsound animals, will be most advisable.

"Consideration of these figures shows that we have today in this country not less than 100,000 pure bred Percheron horses worth approximately $50,000,000. By both the importer and American breeder it is conceded that for more than fifteen years we have been bringing to this country the very best that France has produced, whether they be judged as individuals or according to their breeding and blood lines. Add these to the best we have produced in America in the last twenty years and we have indeed a splendid foundation on which to build our future breeding.

"In view of the conditions now existing in Europe, the American breeder is to be congratulated on the possession of such foundation stock. Never before did the future prospect look so bright. Besides having before us the entire American market, it is more than probable that we shall have to supply with breeding stock, Canada and Argentine, countries in which the popularity of the Percheron is increasing by leaps and bounds, and it is more than possible that even the mother country France will invoke our aid when the war is ended in replenishing and reinvigorating her stock."

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

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PACIFIC COAST FIELD TRIALS.

The Pacific Coast Field Trials Club's thirty-second annual trials will start near Bakersfield, Monday, January 25. This meeting promises to eclipse the club's best efforts in the past in both the class of dogs entered and the number of starters in the different events.

Recent reports from the training grounds indicate an abundant supply of quail. Natural scent and cover conditions are at present the best in many years. This will insure proper training and conditioning of the canine candidates for field trial honors. While it was expected that the Derby stake would fill with liberal patronage, the unusually large entry for the All-Age stake has occasioned much surprise among the field trial sportsmen. It is regarded as a certainty that the class of competition expected from these seasoned campaigners will border on the sensational.

A number of pointers and English setters owned by northern fanciers have been entered for the coming trials. E. S. Munger of Burlington, Wash., is now located at Button Willow, with a string of dogs belonging to A. D. Opdyke & Co. of Seattle. Prominent in this kennel is the well-known winning English setter, Llewellin Danstone, whose brilliant performances in the past have earned him a high place in the estimation of Coast fanciers.

J. W. Considine of this city and Seattle has six grandly bred English setters in the hands of Wallace Bruce Coutts, the well-known veteran field trial handler. Among the dogs are Melrose Dude, Melrose Jack, Melrose Maxwell and Melrose Chief. The style and work of the last-named setter, shown at the club's trials last January, attracted much attention, and his running in the coming Derby will be watched with interest.

Among the famed veteran dogs in the All-Age event is Joseph A. Chanslor's Old Forester, winner of the 1914 All-Age, and rated as one of the very best performers on the Coast. Old Forester is the sire of S. Christenson's Forestress, placed third in the last Derby, and also other high-class field trial contenders, all of which is regarded as the promise of a producing sire of a strain of field trial winners.

The Stockdale Kennels, which are maintained by Gordon B. Tevis and his brothers, Lloyd and Lansing, have a formidable entry of pointers, which are looked after by T. C. Dodge, and are being trained and exercised regularly on the training grounds near Lakeside. At the head of the list are Sweetheart of Stockdale, placed second in the Derby and third in the All-Age at the club's trials last season, and her sire, Ladas of Stockdale, also a winner of note. The Stockdale Kennels have never failed to show well to the fore since their inception in 1898. The coming trials, it is believed, will be no exception to the past career of Stockdale pointers, a strain that is popular with and much in use by Coast sportsmen for upland sport.

H. S. Russ of Bakersfield has entered in the All-Age, Chicken Ives, winner of the 1914 Derby event. He will go against such classy competitors as Shasta Queen, owned by Joseph E. Terry; Bohemian Prince, Hard- Tack, Kil's Light, Melrose Dude, Llewellyn's Danstone, Ladas of Stockdale, Forestress, Pied Piper, Old Forester, Sweetheart of Stockdale and Reno, a dark horse (?) from the kennels of Charles DeRyder of Pleasanton. Last season Chicken Ives edged Sweetheart of Stockdale out of first place in the Derby by a close margin. No effort will be spared by the latter's dog handlers to place her in front at the meeting this month.

The Members' stake, contrary to the usual schedule, will start the coming trials. This stake is an amateur event, in which the various patrons handle their own dogs in the manner customary in upland shooting. The Members' stake will be a stellar attraction at the trials. It has been claimed in the past that too much attention was being directed to the development of speed and range, to the detriment of the field trial dog's bird-finding ability. The degree of interest manifested in this event is abundant evidence, however, that the followers of field trials sport have the proper idea in mind. The club extends an invitation to all good sportsmen to join its ranks and enter dogs in competition for the splendid and valuable trophies offered. There are over thirty field trial clubs in the United States and three in Canada that ran trials in 1914. The Pacific Coast Field Trial Club ran the initial meeting in 1881 at Walltown Timber, near Folsom. The organization is the third oldest in the country. The Members' stake will be run under the direction of Field Marshal J. Walter Scott, the owner of the phenomenal pointer from the Orient, Manchu Princess. This pointer has been withdrawn from the trials, having sustained a disabling injury while training.

A unique feature of the meeting will be the run after a fox by the Pacific Coast Hunt Club's pack of English fox hounds. For the first time in the annals of the sport on the Coast, the members and followers of the hunt will ride in the flashy colors favored in the East and in England. The mounts have been schooled especially for this sport. The run will be under the direction of Master of the Hunt T. J. A. Tiedemann, of this city. His intimate association with "riding to hounds" in England assures the observance of every formality down to the minutest detail. Prominent among the hard riders of the club are: J. M. Kilgarif, J. W. Considine, E. Courtney Ford, S. Christenson, George B. M. Gray, Joel S. French, Gordon, Lansing and Lloyd Tevis, and by one of the latter riders, it is prophesied, the "brush" will be taken.

Southern California is strongly represented this year by W. W. Sweeney's pointer Queen O' Trumps, a daughter of Champion Deuce II. Queen is being trained by E. S. Munger. The Wilkes and Avery string, consisting of both pointers and setters, are being conditioned by Roy S. Avery personally, on their training grounds near Taft. Avery, formerly well identified with coursing, won the Members' stake last year, with the pointer Hard Tack, which dog bids fair to be placed again.

Among the Derby entries prominently mentioned as likely candidates for honors are: Smiley, belonging to D. B. Townsend, of Caspar, Wyoming; Shasta King, owned by J. M. Kilgarif of this city; Orange Bloom, owned by S. Christenson, Rincon Hill Kennels, Jim Rodney, Wilkes and Avery's Dakota, Frank J. Ruhstaller's setter, Shasta Maid; J. W. Considine's Melrose Chief, Joseph A. Chanslor's Budd. The status of the Stockdale Kennel's entries is not known, but it is certain that several of the pointers possess the quality necessary in winners.

AN ENGLISH PUBLIC-HOUSE SHOW.

It is probable that few, if any, of the readers of The Asian, writes John Brown, have attended a public-house dog-show. Possibly—I don't know—shows of this kind are not very common now; but years ago, more years than I care to remember, the Saturday issue of The Sporting Life used to contain curious advertisements of such events. They were more than curious, they seemed to wear, an out-of-date unchronological aspect, as if they were relics of the time when what Evelyn describes as "rude and dirty pastimes" were in vogue. He was alluding to cock-fighting, dog-fighting, and bull-baiting; "butcherly sports, or rather barbarous cruelties," he called them. The public-house shows were not pastimes of this description, they were dog-shows, and yet in a manner they suggested the old sports patronized by men who, if they were cruel, possessed much of the courage of the game-cocks and bull-dogs whose combats they loved to witness. Wellington called his men in the Peninsular, largely recruited from this class, "the scum of the earth," but they were a kind of scum that made the British flag respected all the wide world over.

At one time, a long time ago, about the time a fox-terrier's puppy of the name of Result was springing like a rocket into fame, I had a dog-dealer friend. I remember that, because in fox-terrier circles Result was a name to conjure with. Indeed, there are people to this day who say that there has never been such another terrier. That is fudge of course, no old-day terrier, not even Result with his ever-victorious record, would have a ghost of a chance with the modern cracks in the ring; and I, who have never been without a terrier at my heels for forty years, ought to know. But to return to the dog-dealer, his name was Joe Parker, at least that was not his name, but it will do as well as any other. Joe was just dog through and through; dogs to him, as to the man in the tall white hat in David Copperfield, were "wittles and drink, lodging, wife and children, reading, writing, and 'rithmetic, snuff, tobacker, and sleep." He was not above hawking toys in the busy thoroughfares of the west, and might be seen in Oxford or Piccadilly Circus with one on a lead, another under his arm, and maybe a third in his pocket. They were Yorkshire terriers or miniature black-and-tans or King Charles or Blenheim Spaniels in those days, none of your Pekingese or Japs or Toy Poms; and Joe sold a good few, he had, as he said, "a way with wimmin." He used to say with Bob Jakin in the Mill on the Floss, "have a dog, Ma'am, he's a better friend nor any Christian," with the unction of a parson announcing a collection after the sermon. In his heart of hearts, however, he loved a real terrier. "Terriers! Demons! Gamest of Game! That's my sort," he used to say; and at his place, a crib that took some finding, he would produce at short notice a varmint, named Tartar maybe, or Wasp, or Vixen, but as good as the best. I bought a few from him, he never sold me a pup, and one, a daughter of old Belgrave, Joe, at least so he said, was out and away the gamest and most genuine terrier, built on the old lines, I have ever owned. She was the sort it is increasingly hard to find nowadays.

One foggy morning in December, I happened to remark, "Ever been to a public-house show, Joe?" He looked at me, as one looks when one says 'bar sells,' and shrugged his shoulders. "Ever bin to a public-house show? Yer might ask if I ever drunk a pot o' beer." "I'd like to go to one, Joe ,that's why I asked." "'Tain't the place fur young gentlemen," he said, "not but what you be safe enough wi' me." So we fixed it up, there was to be a show on Christmas night at the "Pig and Whistle" or some name like that, a pub in the slums on the Surrey side; and on the 25th, sure enough, Joe directing the way to the driver through the trap-door, we were bowling along in a hansom to a rendezvous I saw for the first and last time. The Bar was empty at the time, except for a big fellow who proved to be the publican proprietor. Joe said he had been a bit of a bruiser, and he looked it; but, like bruisers who take to public-houses and good living, he had developed a paunch and his face was red as a pillar-box. He was big enough and strong enough, however, to be his own "chucker-out," and he seemed almost disposed to begin with me, a guest without a wedding garment. But Joe introduced us, "This genleman is a customer o' mine, Bill, 'he's all right." "A friend o' yours, Joe, is welcome," said the publican; and then we had a drink all round at my expense to seal the matter. "You'll 'ave to drink," said Joe, "stand it an' let yerself be stood, it's the w'y of the place," and it was a way I soon found out for myself. "Take the gentleman upstairs, Joe, if he's a mind to have a look," and upstairs we went.

It was a large room, not too well-lighted, there was sawdust on the floor and it was wanted, and the mists of London outside were not so thick as the fog of tobacco smoke within. The room was full of men, men of that class which in an earlier time must have been addicted to "rude and dirty pastimes," men with stomachs as hard as their heads. They were all smoking, and most of them were drinking, and all were talking dog in strong phrases; if the language was somewhat elliptical, it was never obtuse. I offered a merry-looking individual I found myself beside, a drink, and he took "a three of Scotch," tossed it down with a gulp, and became communicative. No, he wasn't showing; his terrier, such a terrier, the best in the world, was run over that morning, stone-dead, that's how it was. "Bad luck," I said. "It's the sort of luck to thank God it's no worse," he remarked; and then I noticed that the chairman was about to open proceedings. He rapped the table with a hammer to demand silence, and made a short speech. I wish I could reproduce it, without relying on my imagination for my memory, for it was full of good things told in a form of slang that tickled the palate with a sharp, pungent joy. Then he gave out the events, and invited entries, which were jotted down on the sort of slate used for drink reckonings. The judging was conducted in a different room, empty of everything except sawdust and the dramatis personæ. There were usually two judges and a referee, and if the class was large the exhibits were judged in pairs. That is to say, the loser was eliminated and the winner came up again in the next heat, and so on to the final. At the close of each class, we repaired to the main room for drinks and discussions, both much in evidence, but though the remarks of the disappointed lacked nothing in vinegar and cayenne pepper, the awards were generally accepted with a fair amount of geniality. There was a class for small bull-terriers, little beauties, about the size of quite a small fox-terrier, but weighing heavier no doubt, they were so robust in muscle. They were the sort of multum in parvo bull-terrier that used to be associated with the name of old Bill George, the sort that Colonel Edward Earle had in the Punjab in the seventies, and the best and gamest little pals in the world. That was the last class of them I ever saw, more's the pity. And there was a class for "business" dogs, the old fighting bull-and-terrier, half-and-half, murderous-looking villains, plunging at opponents in the ring as a bull might do in a Spanish arena. Seeing me interested in the proceedings, owners would ask my opinion on their exhibits, but I had the tip from Joe. "Allers say he's a good un," he whispered, and he was right. "Touts veriti n'est pas bonne a dire," and the attitude of the questioners reminded me of DuMaurier's sketch in Punch, depicting a big man standing over a little one and saying, "If any man tells me that I am not a Titian, I'll knock him down, now I want your candid opinion." So I said "a good un" with a fervour on every occasion, and was voted a good sport. And there were classes for racing whippets and toy-terriers of kinds, and a match of £5 a side between two bull-dogs and goodness knows what besides, for I did not stay till the end. What with "threes" of whisky, and pulls at tankards of half-and-half, every few minutes, and the smoke, and the atmosphere in unventilated premises, I was forced to capitulate.

"Get me out of this, Joe, I'm as drunk as a lord." "And ye had better be going," he said, "there'll be hot doings by and by." He was right; the losers were beginning to lose their tempers, and like the Murderer in Macbeth, felt themselves so spited by the world that their only aim in life was to get a bit of their own back again. The last I remember of the "Pig and Whistle" was a tankard put to my lips, and then Joe and the publican hoisting me into a growler. I must have reached home somehow for here I am; but I remember, as I felt my way up the banisters to my rooms in Duke Street, I chuckled to think of the undergraduate who couldn't recollect whether he was Casenore of Brosenose or Brasenose of Casenore, when he tried to find his way back to his college by way of the library railings. That was the only publi-house dog show of which I have had personal experience.

HUNTING NOTES.

A great many people are under the impression that by the failure of the adoption of amendment No. 18—the non-sale of game law—wild game of all description can be sold. This is not true. The failure to adopt the amendment does not change or affect the present laws in any manner. They remain just as they were. Wild ducks (excepting wood ducks), wild geese, bottontail or brush rabbits and jack rabbits are the only game permitted to be sold, and sportsmen should not be misled to the contrary.

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The recent decision by an Arkansas judge which declared the Federal law pertaining to migratory wild fowl unconstitutional, applies only to the wild game zone over which that court has jurisdiction and not to the whole country. The case has been appealed to the Supreme Court of the United States and will probably be reached some time in the spring. That particular case developed a peculiar coincidence. In a previous case in Arkansas where arrests had been made for shooting ducks during close season the Judge dismissed the defendants and in delivering his decision made the statement that "it was a matter that should be regulated by the Federal authorities." Convictions have been made all over the country for violations of the new Federal regulations. In the North Dakota courts the decisions have been the same as those rendered in this State.

The impression also prevails in some sections, particularly in the southern counties, that the State Fish and Game Commission officials will take no action in the case of hunters who shoot before sunrise or after sunset, which is a provision of the Federal law. The State law, which has been superseded by the United States law, formerly allowed shooting a half hour before sunup and a half hour following sunset. The Commission officials are here quoted as expressing the positive intention of enforcing the provisions of the Federal regulations in this respect. Hunters who bank on early and late shooting as defined by the State statutes will take action accordingly and avoid possible complications.

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The main army of trigger-pullers meanwhile are carrying on a vigorous campaign against the web-footed marsh and bay visitors. Probably the best averaging results recently have been secured by gunners who shoot, here or there, along the bay shores as wind and weather conditions induce the birds to congregate at one sheltered spot or another.

At several of the Suisun shooting preserves poor shooting has recently been the rule. An absence of gunners at adjoining ponds allowed the birds to rest comfortably and in safety. When there is a general bombardment on the marsh, or any duck-shooting district for that matter, the birds are kept moving from one pond to another, which flight gives the men in the blinds opportunity to bag more or less ducks.

R. B. Murdoch shot a limit string, including fifteen canvasback ducks, at the Jacksnipe grounds a week ago. The "cans" were northern birds, which was proven by the presence of "wapato" or Indian potato in their craws. This bulb, which canvasbacks are exceedingly fond of, is not found to any great extent this side of the Oregon line. The fact that the bulbs were intact in the ducks' craws gives an interesting hint as to the speed and distance covered in comparatively short time by these birds. On Saturday for over two hours an immense flight of "cans" and sprig, which a strong glass showed were newcomers from northern grounds, passed over the upper end of the Suisun marsh, high up in the air and bound south. Ed L. Hoag and other members of the Cordelia Gun Club enjoyed fine sport a week ago. The outside clubs, Volante, Montezuma and Joyce Island Gun Club ponds have yielded a plentiful harvest of ducks recently.

Fred W. Kewell, H. G. Hebgren, A. H. Drussick and J. Finch each returned from the weekly shoot at the Chiquita ponds with big strings of both ducks and geese.

Los Banos still holds good for the gunners. Field and Tule Gun Club members continue to shoot Saturday and Sunday limit bags. Other hunters in that section are also in line for limit strings. Wild geese are plentiful now down the valley. Within the past week there has been a large flight of swans. These graceful birds are on the prohibited list of both the Federal and State laws. Swans are also numerous in the Suisun marshes, more so than for many years past. The saving clause is that a swan is entirely too tough to be a desirable table bird, but the young birds, cygnets, are said to be excellent eating.

Fred Willet, Hugh Poston and two other trigger-pullers from this city each shot duck limits in two days' shooting at Gustine. Wild geese and English snipe were also shot. The fact that snipe are numerous in many parts of the lower San Joaquin valley is pleasing news to many hunters.

Near Rio Vista both ducks and geese are now plentiful enough to promise a day or two of good shooting to sportsmen who make the up-river trip. George W. Ellery, Jack Ellery and George Klarman were located on the ark "Sausalito," close by the Rio Vista shooting ground last Sunday.

The riprap dyke that extends a long distance from Mare Island into San Pablo bay has been a refuge for thousands of "cans" and bluebills. Paymaster E. R. Wilson and other officers of the cruiser South Dakota have shot numerous limits from blinds in that part of the bay this season. Paymaster Wilson on the recent voyage to Mexican waters, in shooting bluerocks from the bridge of the war vessel, was a close second to Commander Frederick N. Freeman, who is a noted trap shot.

Petaluma creek gunners have had good, bad or indifferent shooting the past two weeks according to weather conditions. Up that way the pleasant weather has cut down general results. Recently the banks of the creek, for miles, were manned with a skirmish line of shooters. What flight of birds there was kept high in the air. Nothing daunted, the general bombardment of the skyscrapers was terrific. Some shooters emptied the magazines of their pump guns at birds over 100 yards high. Needless to say, but few birds were secured.

Hunters who have visited the lower end of the Alameda marsh, in the vicinity of the "drawbridges"—a favorite wild fowling resort for the past 40 years—have enjoyed fine canvasback shooting. Bluebill ducks have also been fairly plentiful. The men who "scull" in the big sloughs and out along the bay shores have generally shot limit bags. Wm. Carrera's favorite ground is near the mouth of Mowray's creek. Price Brothers, who are familiar with every nook and corner of that region, have also made numerous canvasback limits. Ed E. Quayle's trip, a week ago, was for a 25-bird string.

Spoonbill ducks were in the large majority at the inside shooting ponds recently. Chas. H. Kewell, J. T. Connelly, Chester Potter, Dr. J. C. Sylvester and B. Burns accounted for limits of spooneys, shooting in the big salt pond blinds of the Arden Gun Club down in the Coyote hills. Messrs. Rose and Gimmel were equally successful on the adjoining preserve of the Coyote Gun Club. Ray Chisler's pond near Newark has been a regular limit producer for several weeks past. At numerous "inside" shooting grounds the recent rains heavily flooded the ponds with fresh water, also here and there broke down levees, all of which seriously interfered with shooting, for the ducks scattered and sought more congenial quarters.

Near the "bridges" the big Schilling pond was flooded early in the season, which rather spoiled the sport at that resort since. Phoenix Gun Club members, whose shooting ground adjoins, have had hard luck this season, since the levees have been washed out. These two resorts were favorite loafing places for broadbills. When shooting was going on there the fusillade kept the webfeet moving about. Mt. Eden and Alvarado powder burners have not recently had the chance to very much decrease the local duck supply.

Down about Elkhorn slough Empire Gun Club members have not experienced as good duck shooting as in past seasons. The club quail hunting ground, however, has been abundantly supplied with birds, which situation has been taken advantage of frequently and with fine returns of quail. Billy Hillegass, John H. Meyer and Charles M. Meyer shooting at nearby ponds have enjoyed good canvasback and snipe shooting.

Captain A. W. DuBray, of this city, was the guest recently of John H. Schumacher of Los Angeles, at the Pacific Gun Club duck shooting preserve, where sprig, mallard and widgeon were in limit numbers.

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Black brant are very plentiful around the Tomales bay feeding grounds, more so this year than for many seasons. Harold Ladd and A. Rispaud early last week, shooting near Hamlet, gathered in a mixed bag of brant, canvasbacks and bluebills. James Andrews and James Black have had but little trouble in shooting bluebille round about the oyster bed section of the bay, near Point Reyes. Limantour bay is a spot noted for widgeon shooting. Black brant, English snipe and valley quail can be found also in that vicinity. What the present shooting conditions are will be told on the return of Chas. Pease, Fred Tobelman and Charles F. Zreidenstein from a four days' shoot.

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The Marin hills still hold plenty of quail. Mr. and Mrs. George Newman have had excellent upland shooting on the grounds of the Point Reyes Sportsmen's Club. George Uhl and J. B. Coleman bank on the chances for good quail hunting near Pleasanton, where they journeyed by machine for a mid-week shoot.

FISH LINES.

A liberal interpretation of the law on steelhead trout fishing in tidewaters was that the rodsters might follow the sport on New Year's day. The language of the statute defines the close season as "between the first day of January and the first day of April of the same year."

There is no question but what the "intent" of the statute was to exclude January 1, but it has been contended by the anglers that "between the first day of January" means that the close season begins on January 2, and such is the construction placed on the statute by the Fish and Game Commission through information given out by Secretary Ernest Schaeffle, which inferred that local anglers, so desiring, could enjoy the first day of the year with rod and line in steelhead trout tidewaters.

Russian river, near Duncan's Mills, was crowded with fishing skiffs the last Sunday. The water was fairly clear—in fact, several large fish were taken with spoons. Best results were had, however, with fresh roe, both salmon and steelhead. Advices from the river Tuesday was favorable to good fishing for the last three days of the season. A number of the Sunday delegation stayed over for a day or more. Afterwards these were reinforced by a number of late arrivals.

Billy Foote was high hook Sunday with three trout weighing ten pounds each. Among those present were S. A. Wells, Jack Samish, J. Samish Sr., Hugh Copeland, Harry Leap, J. Lerke, L. Gotthelf, Dr. L. T. Cranz, Dr. Perry, J. Isenbruck, Louis Eaton, Graham Ridley, H. Van Dirk, Ralph la Coste, Joe Springer, Dave Sachs and others.

Among the crowd at Paper Mill creek, near Point Reyes, but few fish were caught. Indications point to improving conditions, which prompted a number to fill in the final days with their tackle, but few fish were taken, however.

As intimated in these columns, Ross creek, near Kentfield, has proved worthy of a visit. Several local anglers caught fair-sized fish last week. W. J. Street landed two large trout Sunday. Report has it that several steelhead were also taken Sunday in San Antone creek.

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The final days of the open season for catching steelhead trout in tide waters, and which season closed Friday, cannot be said to have furnished much in the line of sensational sport. Notwithstanding that there was a fairly large gathering of local rodsters and others at Duncan's Mills, the total catch, as compared to some past seasons, was not a large one. Harry Leap, who spent three days at the Russian river fishing resort, landed three large trout. H. Franenholz's showing for two days was four big steelhead. Other fishermen landed one or two, while the majority drew blanks. During the high water, after the bar at the mouth of the river opened, there was rather a heavy run of fish from the ocean. These schools of trout immediately made for the up-river spawning beds and did not dally long in the pools where the fishermen were waiting for them. Friday, melting snow water from the Mt. Sanhedrin range gave the river a milky tinge and put a decided handicap on the sport. Leap also caught five grilse averaging about three pounds in weight.

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In view of the weather uncertainties during the month of December the steelhead fishing devotees are looking forward most expectantly for legislative action which will leave January of each year open in tide waters for steelhead fishing. Such amendment to the present law is regarded favorably by the Fish and Game Commission, a petition to that effect now being circulated and receiving numerous signatures.

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San Gregorio lagoon proved a pleasing fishing water Tuesday for Professor Sanders of Crickett, who made the trip from Martinez by machine. The lagoon was full of fresh-run ocean steelhead and a creel of 50 trout from 8 to 12 inches in length was the catch. This resort was given an overlook entirely, but a single rod was in action Tuesday at a time when one could have caught any number of trout.

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Striped bass returns for the past week are rather meager. With the exception of a 20-pounder and a couple of smaller fish the San Antone clam-tossers have had but poor luck. Near Napa drawbridge, where a number of large bass were recently caught, about the best that can be mentioned is the 12-pound capture by a Petaluma angler. This fish was taken on a hook baited with duck entrails, a tid-bit that the striped fish seems to be partial to during the shooting season.

The fact that there was a net haul of 1,100 pounds of striped bass in Monterey bay a few days ago indicates that there is a run of the fish on in that section. The Salinas river and its lower waters, Elkhorn slough, have in past seasons yielded numerous large-sized striped bass. Just why the fish are so plentiful now in Monterey bay is a matter of conjecture, for it is a well known fact that the striped bass in our bay and coast waters has the reputation of being an erratic wanderer. Whether the schools of bass here referred to have taken an excursion through the Golden Gate for lower coast waters, or the natural increase of the fish in and about Monterey bay is responsible, is a hard question to answer. From Baker's beach, however, down along the San Mateo shores striped bass have been caught every season by the rock fishermen. The same experience has been noted along the shores to the north as far up as Humboldt bay. Time and again the tidal lagoon just beyond Point Bonita has been well stocked with large and small striped bass. Russian river, up as far as Cloverdale, is also full of the fish. Below Duncan's Mills bass running over forty pounds in weight have been caught.

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The California Anglers' Association kept "open house" at the club rooms Thursday evening and New Years. Wednesday evening was devoted to a special whist tournament.

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In contrast to the recently constructed fish ladder at the Derby dam, on the Truckee river, and which, it is claimed, is entirely inadequate, the fish ladder on the Little Truckee, near Boca, erected two seasons ago, has the reputation of being up to every requirement. This ladder is one of the largest in the State, and was put in by a private corporation operating ice ponds at the mouth of the stream.

Rem-U M C Notes.

E. D. Rambo, of Maquon, Ill., shooting a Remington pump gun was high man, with 177x200, at a shoot of the Oneida (Ill.) Gun Club, on December 22.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

A NIGHT AT THE TRAPS.

Recently the trapshooting fraternity throughout the country "sat up and took notice" at the announcement of the Salem Yacht, Gun and Rod Club of Salem, N. J., that they would hold a tournament and that shooting would start promptly at 6 p. m. An announcement to the effect that the shoot would start at 6 a. m. would not have caused as much comment.

This pioneer "night shoot," the first regularly arranged affair ever held under similar circumstances, will go down in trapshooting history as an unqualified success. Promptly at 6 p. m. the first squad composed of W. M. Hammond, Neaf Apgar, Henry Winchester, John H. Minnick and Wm. C. Corey went up to the traps, and the first gun was fired in one of the most unique shoots ever held.

All told, thirty-eight shooters entered the regular program events, and about 20 more local shooters shot one or more events over the traps, which were kept in operation until nearly midnight. The lighting system which was planned by the Salem club was perfection itself, and Neaf Apgar, who has been gunning at one thing or another throughout the East and Middle West almost as long as the oldest inhabitant can remember, and who represents the Peters Cartridge Company, gave a rare exhibition of skill, getting 47x50, which was high over all for the evening. Neaf ground out his first 25 in perfect style. In his third event, which consisted of 10 birds, he dropped one, and in the last two events he dropped one in each, so that he finished with 47.

It remained for three Wilmingtonians to furnish the "class" of the evening among the amateurs, while a local professional was close up to Mr. Apgar. John H. Minnick, the Wilmington expert who has taken part in many a hard fought battle over the traps, annexed the high amateur averages for the evening, getting 45x50. Now this is an average of 90%, an indicates that Mr. Minnick knows just about where to point his cannon. John brought back to Wilmington with him the solid gold watch fob which was hung up as a prize for high gun, and right well did he deserve to do so.

Two squads of women shooters who are members of the Nemours Trapshooting Club of Wilmington, also attended the shoot and participated in the "women's" event, and Miss Bessie V. Carson outshot them all and annexed the handsome sterling silver spoon which was awarded to the feminine shooter making the best score. Not satisfied with showing her ability in the regular event Miss Carson shot in a squad of men in a 25 target practice event and here demonstrated the fact that she is one of the best women amateur shots in the country. Her score in this event was 18x25, and was exceeded by but two of the four men in the squad. When Miss Carson finished shooting in this event she was roundly applauded by the several hundred visitors who watched her perform from the verandah of the club house.

In the practice events it was left to Walter Tomlinson, who very frequently does some spectacular work with his gun both at the traps and in the field, to turn in the best score of the night. Mr. Tomlinson scored 24x25, and in doing so dropped his second target and ran 23 straight, which was by way of being a nice piece of shooting.

W. S. Colfax, the local "pro," made second high professional score of the evening, getting 46x50, having the misfortune to lose two targets in his last event.

Wm. Francis, who always wins a prize in the merchandise and poultry shoots put on at the DuPont Trapshooting Club, started off like a house afire, getting 9x10 and 8x10 respectively in his first two visits to the traps. His later attempts did not pan out so well, but he finished with a good total.

Among the other women who shot, Miss C. Gentieu, Mrs. E. L. Riley and Mrs. Charles Springer finished second to Miss Carson, with scores of 5x10, while Miss J. Gentieu, Miss H. Gentieu and Miss J. P. Hirst came next with 4x10. All the local visitors to Salem report that the officials of the club in that place outdid themselves in showing them hospitality. Autos were furnished to convey the ladies to the Jersey City, and upon their arrival there they were entertained at a luncheon.

The scores of the evening in detail were:

Targets—	10	10	10	10	10	50
Events—	1	2	3	4	5	
*Neaf Apgar	10	10	9	9	9	47
*Schuyler Colfax	10	10	8	10	8	46
John H. Minnick	8	10	10	9	8	45
*E. F. Slear	10	10	9	8	8	45
*Carl Von Lengerke	9	9	10	8	9	45
C. A. Glaspey	9	9	9	9	8	44
*L. D. Willis	9	9	9	8	9	44
*W. M. Hammond	9	10	7	9	7	43
Walter Tomlinson	9	9	10	9	6	43
*L. B. Parcells	8	8	8	9	9	42
H. P. Carlon	8	9	8	7	9	41
*T. H. Lawrence	7	7	10	9	8	41
Big Chief Bender	9	8	6	8	9	40
B. H. Bates	7	10	5	8	9	39
Henry Winchester	8	7	6	7	8	38
Wm. C. Corey	8	8	6	7	7	36
Chas. Springer	6	8	5	10	7	36
*P. S. Gates	6	8	5	7	7	33
C. H. Zimmerling	8	7	8	4	6	33
Wm. Francis	9	8	5	3	5	30
C. Bill Popp	8	5	6	5	6	30
*Francois Pratt	5	5	5	7	6	28
John Cook	7	4	4	4	8	27
George Hires	4	5	5	3	8	25
Ralph Springer	5	6	..	..	7	18
Mrs. C. Springer	..	..	6	2	..	8

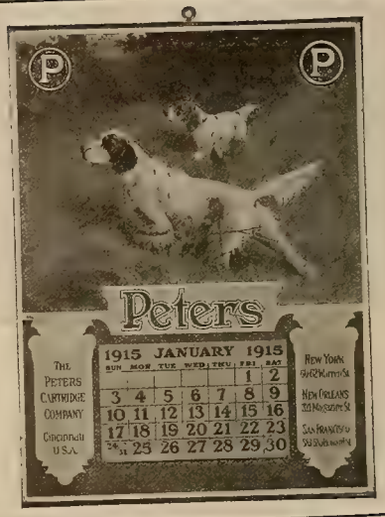
Miss B. V. Carson 6, Miss C. Gentieu 5, Mrs. E. L. Riley 5, Mrs. C. Springer 5, Miss J. Gentieu 4, Miss H. Gentieu 4, Miss J. P. Hirst 4, Mrs. McKaig 2, Miss Schofield 2, Mrs. B. V. Clark 2.

WALRUS HUNTING IS KEEN SPORT.

Capturing walrus, polar bears, brown bears, Kodiak bears, antelopes and strange birds and studying seals at short range, Captain Frank E. Kleinschmidt and his party of eighteen made their leisurely way far northward through narrow straits and difficult ice floes in a three master schooner fitted with auxiliary power.

The expedition was partly scientific and partly sporting, and was unusually successful in both fields. The sportsmen brought back splendid trophies and several museums are the richer for rare specimens that Captain Kleinschmidt obtained. He is an experienced explorer, indifferent to the dangers of Arctic travel and enthusiastic about its pleasures. With him on this trip were his wife, who was born in Alaska, the daughter of one of the first missionaries sent to that country, and their twin children, six years old.

Of the various kinds of game which men go in search of, Captain Kleinschmidt holds that nothing surpasses the walrus. A member of the party who the year before had been after big game in Africa, where he had shot lions, giraffes, tigers and other animals of the jungle, agreed with him after his taste of the walrus chase on this trip. The element of danger in it is greater than in shooting animals that have to be pursued on land. "There," as Captain Kleinschmidt stated in an interview, "the man can get in his deadly work before the animal has a chance to do any damage. With the walrus it is different. It is a peculiar animal and comparatively little is known about it. You know it is practically extinct on the Atlantic Coast and getting scarcer on the Pacific Coast. Why, one recent summer more than 900 were slaughtered for commercial purposes in the far northern waters by one company. The skin



is valuable for belts and many industrial purposes, and of course the tusks are sought for their ivory.

"The walrus starts north as soon as the warm weather sets in, following the ice. We saw herds of them and pursued them to the ice floe, on which they take refuge. The reason why it is so difficult to capture a walrus is that he is hard to kill and if he is injured he falls into the water and sinks immediately. One famous experience we had was when we started to fight the walrus in the old way. We put two kayaks, skin boats, together—that makes a fine catamaran—and the Eskimos went out in it to spear the walrus, while I followed in another boat with my moving picture apparatus all ready to take a photograph of the fight. Well, we got one. We moved out toward the ice and suddenly I saw a large cow walrus in the water, which is wonderfully clear. I called out to the Eskimos and they prepared to spear her. However, she did not wait for them to act, but dived deep and came up under the boat, ripping it with her tusks and cutting through the sealskin leggings of one of the men, gashing his leg horribly. It was fortunate that there were the two boats, for the one was gone completely and the walrus was still diving and coming up with the evident purpose of doing more damage. She was diverted, however, by my boat and dived under neath it, but luckily came up at one side. As she was about to make an attack I fired straight into her face and killed her. She was an enormous creature.

"You can't get a walrus unless you hit it in the head, but you do not need a heavy gun. Many persons blaze away and fill the beast full of shot. A clean shot lodged at the base of the brain from a .30-calibre automatic is about right.

Captain Kleinschmidt had very good luck with his bear shooting. He made a record by getting five of the rare Kodiak bears, four in one place, and he shot three polar bears standing within twenty feet of the camera. One day, when he was trying to get some good moving pictures of a bear capture, a bear swam right through the water, clambered up on the land and came forward to attack the pursuer. Again, when he tried to capture a cub by throwing a noose over it the mother put up such a splendid fight for it that he let it go. He wanted it, too, as a companion for another cub that he had obtained for a Western zoological park. Several very large brown bears were shot by the sportsmen of the party. Captain Kleinschmidt pursued one, a female, with two cubs, to the mountains to which they are accustomed to retreat in order to protect their young against the males, which are likely to destroy them. Here, five thousand feet above the sea, he found in a few spots bare of snow the egg of an almost unknown bird, and later found the bird itself. It is called the kittlitzi murrelet. Natives tell stories of "the birds that lay their eggs far up in mountains on the snow," but they had not been found heretofore by white men. The ornithological studies were very valuable. Many places almost wholly given over to birds were visited and the character and habits of the birds studied. On some volcanic islands where there is scarcely any vegetation the birds' eggs were so thick that the visitors could hardly step without treading on them.

On this trip Captain Kleinschmidt discovered a new kind of mountain sheep. Heretofore, the farther north that these animals were found the whiter they became, but this one, which lives the farthest north of any known mountain sheep, is dark colored—a saddle back sheep. Captain Kleinschmidt got the skin and horns of one of them. The party had excellent luck in getting antelope, Dr. Elting, of Albany, bringing home a particularly fine head. They also took pictures of the much coveted blue foxes.

Captain Kleinschmidt's experiences with seals were as amusing as they were interesting. "Do you see the master there?" he asked, pointing to a large, bold looking seal in a photograph he had taken. "That row of demure creatures are his thirty wives. Oh, yes, a good bull seal will have anywhere from four to forty wives and he makes it his business to keep them in order. Now, this fellow is on guard against other bulls that come seeking to invade his harem and to lure away one or more of his wives. They have terrific fights over the matter sometimes. The wives, too, are frequently keen on getting divorces and will be only too ready to elope, but their lords and masters usually round them up and bring them back, and punish them well. One day I pretended that I was a seal, got down on my hands and knees and approached. Most of the ladies tumbled off into the water, but the bull came after me aggressively. Of course, I could outrun him and was not in any real danger, but every time I came back he was ready to attack me. You know the seals are protected now and are so little molested that one can approach them quite easily.

"We passed through the straits and cruised along the Siberian coast, but it was up there that we had our worst accident. In a violent storm we lost our rudder and it looked as if we would not be able to make port, but we finally got into a harbor. Here is how we made shift with a beam hanging over like that for a rudder and two men sitting on it part of the time to keep it down." The explorer showed a picture of this feat that he had taken. "This is the first year that I have not come back with wounds or injuries. Some of my men had some smashed members this time, but I escaped." I was reported as dead, though. That always happens.

"Among the most impressive sights in those northern waters are the icebergs. Often as tall as Madison Square tower. While one is looking they will become detached and, tottering, fall into the deep, deep water. There will be a great boiling of the waters and then the sweep of a tidal wave. It is terrific. But the ice and the snow are the only things that most persons think of in reference to the country up there. They will hardly believe me when I say that I found the humming bird in that region. Grass grows sometimes six feet high and there are bushels of wild berries. It is a beautiful and fruitful country. Of course, the season is short, but when you have twenty-four hours of daylight, warm sunshine and all kinds of favoring elements you can grow a great deal in a few months. Violets, forget-me-nots and other flowers grow in profusion. It is a delightful summer resort.

"I went as far north as 72 degrees. I took no chances of getting caught, but as soon as I saw signs of ice accumulating I turned back. Four vessels got caught that fall, one of them, the Polar Star, with Harvard men aboard. They got along all right, though. They had sufficient supplies to last them until the next summer. One boat was lost entirely. I love the north, but I was grateful to get back from those latitudes before it was too late."

Captain Kleinschmidt sent one of the bears he captured in a frozen state to Pittsburg, where it was skinned and is to be mounted. He also shipped frozen walrus flippers, antelope steaks and other delicacies from the north to New York, where they were kept in cold storage for the Canadian dinner.

PETERS CALENDAR.

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Euch a subject illustrates Peters Cartridge Company's calendar for 1915. In coloring, drawing and action depicted the artist has created a most interesting and true to life picture—one that will appeal most strongly to every devotee of the shot gun and fanciers who like a typical English Setter.

It goes without saying, that this calendar will not only be in great demand by all sportsmen but by everybody who has the faintest leaning towards life in the open. It is well worth having and preserving, too.

DAVIS SALE OF DRAFTERS AT OPPORTUNE TIME.

The cessation of imports of the various families of the European draft horse breeds popular in America owing to the conditions existing in their native homes, has added greatly to the importance of breeding stock from these sources already established in this country. The Belgian horse, long highly popular with American breeders, has undoubtedly suffered most of all, and none of the families have escaped "scott-free," as in every instance the European horses in demand here come from the powers at present at war—powers who are making enormous inroads not only upon their own horseflesh, but upon that of peaceful nations as well. The task that America has to undertake, apparently, is not only to supply her own breeding farms with stallions and mares of a high standard of excellence from the pure bred bands already assembled here, but to prepare to export her products in these lines upon the conclusion of hostilities.

As it is to America that these countries have made their largest exports of pure bred stallions and mares in the past, so, naturally, will it be to America that they will look for animals to replenish the decimated ranks of the stock on their farms when they are in shape to resume operations, and it is against the coming of this day that the American breeder must prepare.

Fortunately, the record associations composed of the producers of the individual breeds in this country have kept close guard over their interests, and breeders from now on will realize more fully than ever before the importance of producing animals of "pure bred" qualifications, and of keeping this produce registered with the parent record association, as it is only by such methods that the fullest results may be obtained from their expenditures of money, brains, and labor. The record associations in the past have been of wonderful assistance in aiding in the proper establishing of the various breeds fostered, but the scope of their usefulness and value when their members become exporters has hardly yet been realized.

America, as a whole, is now sufficiently supplied with pure bred animals of the desired types to become an exporting nation, given the co-operation of all breeders in producing, protecting and interchanging their stock. Every state in the union boasts pure bred draft stallions at this day; the main horse producing states possess not only large numbers of both stallions and mares of recorded purity of blood, but have state laws protecting and encouraging the future production of this class, and discouraging the spread of the mongrel.

Both in point of available supply of pure bred animals and in legislation fostering their perpetuation and protecting the brood mare owner from fraud on the part of stallion owners, California ranks well with her sister states. Pure bred stallions of the more popular breeds have long found their way to the Golden State, and are generously distributed throughout her breeding sections. At the time of the last report of the California Stallion Registration Board but two counties in the state, Alpine and Mono, failed to boast the possession of from one to nearly half a hundred sires licensed as pure bred. There were at that time 829 such sires in the state at large, of which total number the accepted "imported drafters" had the following representation: Percheron 345, Belgian 119, Shire 68, French Draft 42, Clydesdale 27, while the lighter foreign stallions numbered 45 German Coach and 19 French Coach, with 4 registered as American Draft. This gives California brood mare owners access to the services of six hundred and sixty-nine stallions of the drafter class of a degree of excellence enabling them to pass the stringent requirements governing the issue of "pure bred" license. Concerning the number of pure bred mares in the state owning allegiance to the same families the writer is not at present able to make an authoritative statement of any degree of accuracy, but there are enough to enable the ranks of pure bred sires to be kept well supplied from our own breeding establishments, by the proper co-operation of the various owners, and at the same time spare our quota of the country's total export offerings.

In the light of these circumstances, the sale which the California Draft Horse Breeders Association plans to hold on Wednesday, February 24th, at the University Farm at Davis, comes at a most opportune time and offers California breeders a most excellent opportunity for the securing of new blood to further their operations. Both young and aged animals of both sexes will be offered without reserve, and every individual going through the ring will undergo the strictest scrutiny as to soundness, aged stallions being further required to be accompanied by certificates as to their breeding qualities. Under these conditions breeders who are in the market either to buy or sell, or both, may patronize the sale with every confidence.

The sale presents an excellent opportunity for the marketing of horses owned for a term of years in minor breeding centers, where their sphere of usefulness is becoming narrowed owing to a preponderance of their own get among the mares of the community. There are many breeders who find themselves deprived of their proper income through these conditions, though their stallion yet remains in the prime of years and potency. A proper exchange of these horses has never been a matter easily accomplished in California, and in this instance, if in no other, the sale will fill a want long felt. The number of cases are legion wherein such an exchange of locally useless sires can be effected with all the benefits that would accrue from the purchase of a younger horse at the customary long "imported price," at an initial saving that will run into goodly figures.

It is not the intention that profit shall accrue to the association from this sale, as all charges of advertising and vendue will be made to the consignor on a cost basis. Entries must be made with Secretary J. I. Thompson, Davis, Cal., on or before next Friday, January 15, and as California heavy horse breeders are pretty well aware of the generally existing conditions, we look for numerous and excellent offerings at this initial breeders' sale.

FAMOUS SHIRE STALLION CHANGES HANDS.

Rampton President, the famous Shire stallion, is now owned in this section. N. S. Boone, whose place is in the extreme west end of the San Ramon valley but who is so thoroughly identified with the interests of the Livermore valley as to be considered one of us, is the new owner of this splendid animal.

Rampton President was brought to Livermore Tuesday by Ted Lovell, groom for Ansel M. Easton of Burlingame, who imported the horse from England. With the assistance of Wm. Watson, the local horseman, Lovell delivered the animal to its new owner the following day.

Rampton President was the sensation of the Livermore Horse Show of 1914. He made a great impression upon several local horsemen besides Mr. Boone but the latter was fortunate enough to secure him.



RAMPTON PRESIDENT 27692

Rampton President (27692) was bred by Chas. E. Ivatt in Cambridge, England. He was foaled in 1908. His sire was Royal President (20864) and his dam was Rampton Gem (39960). He is a light bay with white feet. He is considered as one of the best representatives of the Shire breed ever imported to this country. Mr. Boone is fortunate to secure him and the farmers of the Livermore and San Ramon valleys are fortunate to have such a grand sire available for breeding purposes.—Livermore Herald.

Through extensive initial advertising when first brought here, extensive show ring campaigns and genuine merit of an exceptionally high grade displayed both in his own individuality and in that of his get, Rampton President has become one of the best and most favorably known draft stallions in California, and the Breeder and Sportsman joins with the Herald in extending congratulations to breeders who will have access to his services in his new home.

THE GUERNSEY'S BID FOR FAVOR.

The onward march of the Guernsey has never been more marked than during the year just closing. For some time there has been a vigorous effort to educate the public in the relative value of dairy products. This has brought about a keener appreciation on the part of the consumer for a better grade of milk and cream and they have learned to appreciate more the desirability of the fine flavor and natural color which are so characteristic of the products of the Guernsey cow.

This is not only true of the consumer, but the producers have awakened to the fact that they must not only have quantity of product but that they must product that quality which is demanded by the high-class trade. Only recently a large producer when asked his reason for keeping two classes of cattle said that the time had passed when he could satisfy the trade in his community with a low grade of milk. He further added that he had found the ideal combination by keeping one-fifth of his herd Guernseys. In this connection there are many who have testified that their experience has led them to believe that there is no cow that is producing the class of products demanded at the present time and is doing so more economically than the grade Guernsey.

The work of the herd register for Guernseys has shown a marked gain in the number of entries and transfers during this last year. Membership in the cattle club has also materially increased and the transfers from month to month have recorded a wider scattering of the breed.

Since the Guernsey made her first prominent bow to the public at the World's Fair in 1893 the breed has steadily marched upward in popularity. In 1901 at the Pan-American Exposition at Buffalo there was conducted the only test of the dairy breeds ever held in which all the breeds participated. In that test the Guernseys showed their ability by producing not only butter that scored the highest during the entire six months, but they also produced butterfat and butter with the greatest profit and with the least cost for food consumed.

The Guernsey cow's ability as a producer has been most carefully weighed in the results of the advanced register. Her advocates were the first to recognize the importance of the year's authenticated butterfat records as the truest measure of a cow's capability. The breed not only has to its credit the first advanced register on this basis, but it has twice held the world's champion cow for butter production.

Yeksa Sunbeam was the first cow to produce butterfat equivalent to 1,000 pounds of butter in a year, and now we have the world's champion cow May Rilma, which produced 1,073.41 pounds of butterfat in the year. This latter record is to be credited to the year 1914, and with it she produced the greatest amount of milk for one year from a Guernsey cow—19,673 pounds. The profitableness of May Rilma's work is very interesting. Her product sold with that from the remainder of her stable companions and brought the owner the sum of $1,140 during the year. From this is deducted the cost of her feed, $270.83, and of attendance and labor, which are carefully estimated as $147.35, and that left as the profit of her year's work $711.82, or more than 14 per cent of the price for which she later sold at auction, $5,010.

It is interesting to note that during the year not only has that price been established as the highest for a Guernsey cow at public auction, but there have been other good sales. Not long ago $4,500 was paid for the bull Itchen's May King. At two sales the average has been well around $400.

Even in spite of the unfortunate conditions which have checked the importations of cattle we find that there have been 1,115 Guernseys imported during 1914, which is a larger number than have ever been imported in any previous year.

The percentage of growth in the advanced register has been very encouraging and the results of this work have become a keen index of the capabilities of the breed. Following are the ten highest advanced register records:

HIGHEST MILK RECORDS FOR GUERNSEYS.

May Rilma 22761	19,673.00 pounds milk
Dolly Dimple 19144	18,808.50 pounds milk
Spotswood Daisy Pearl 17696	18,602.80 pounds milk
Dolly Bloom 12770	17,297.51 pounds milk
Dairymaid of Pinehurst 24656	17,285.30 pounds milk
Glenanaar of the Glen 23619	16,813.10 pounds milk
Murne Cowan 19597	16,729.30 pounds milk
Miranda of Mapleton 19606	16,630.70 pounds milk
Azucena's Pride 2d. 24957	16,203.90 pounds milk
Jehanna Chene 30889	16,186.70 pounds milk
Langwater Dorothy 27944	16,099.70 pounds milk

HIGHEST BUTTERFAT RECORDS FOR GUERNSEYS.

May Rilma 22761	1,073.41 pounds butterfat
Spotswood Daisy Pearl 17696	957.38 pounds butterfat
Miranda of Mapleton 19606	927.16 pounds butterfat
Dairymaid of Pinehurst 24656	910.67 pounds butterfat
Dolly Dimple 19144	906.86 pounds butterfat
Imp. Beauty of Park Farm	898.82 pounds butterfat
Imp. Queen Regent 4th 22716	889.57 pounds butterfat
Jehanna Chene 30889	863.36 pounds butterfat
Yeksa Sunbeam 15439	857.15 pounds butterfat
Azucena's Pride 2d. 24957	855.70 pounds butterfat

These average 17,443 pounds of milk and 904.89 pounds of butterfat. Analyzing the records from another standpoint we find twenty-four records exceeding 700 pounds in butterfat that average 15,455.2 pounds of milk and 775.99 pounds butterfat, while in addition to that there are twenty-five cows with records between 600 and 700 pounds.

The future of the breed is certainly bright. That the Guernsey and the Guernsey grades will be the cows for the dairymen to supply products to the highest class trade at the greatest profit is fast being recognized. The greatest sense of pride and satisfaction to those who have been associated with the breed has been that it has won this position by the honest efforts of the Guernsey cow. She advanced by measuring her efforts by the critical test of a dairy cow, records based on butterfat production for extended periods and not what the buttermaker might do with her products for a short period.

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AN AMEN FROM ONE READER.

Woodland, Cal., Jan. 3, 1915.

Just read the Breeder and I wish to say that Mr. Frederick Watson's article on running a fair or race meeting is the best I ever read. Surely lots of sense in that letter, and in Mr. C. A. Harrison's letter in the Pacific Horse Review on colt stakes for yearlings, short distance and small stake just to show the colt, help pay expenses and get up excitement—and that will help the business.

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OVER-FEEDING SOWS.

It seems almost natural for the purchaser of his first pure bred sow, in his desire to give her extra care, to over-feed her, to keep her away from the other hogs, put her in a close pen, where she is petted and fed regular meal times, and lunch between in some instances, in their anxiety to do the very best for her possible.

This method of treatment is sure to ruin the sow, both in the feeding and in the close confinement, preventing her from taking the necessary exercise, so needful to the proper strengthening and building up on a solid foundation and to harden her in developing her, giving her a good constitution, broadening her and strengthening her with the exercise, which is also imparted to her coming litter.

The parlor sow, with her pettings and care, is nearly always a failure, and the party is wondering why it is. It is the wrong method throughout. It is unnatural and almost certain to result in failure of the sow.

Feeding when properly done, combined with exercise, is the proper idea. Feeding of the right character is essential; it needs to be regular, at uniform times, with plenty of water and lots of exercise, which is the power that is depended upon to develop and improve the breed. The feeder is an important man in the destiny of the hog and should understand the business and act according to reason and the experience that is taught from those who have made a success of it—W. M. Carruthers.

MONEY IN HOGS.

At a recent meeting, one of the prominent packers made the statement that there is more money in hog raising in this country than in any other farm calling that can be followed. The speaker unquestionably knew whereof he was speaking, for there is no class of meat more in demand, that is more prolific, more easily raised or that gives better returns. With all the hogs produced in California, we are still heavy importers of hog products from the east, so that there is room in our own state for a great expansion of this industry, and beside our own state there is a wide market along the whole Pacific coast to Alaska and to the west in the islands of the Orient. Hog raising cannot be overdone and prices, while they may vary, are not likely to get much below present figures.

California should certainly raise more hogs. We have ideal conditions, are not seriously troubled with fatal diseases which make this work exceedingly uncertain in the east, and with our open seasons and abundant natural feeds California should be the home of the hog raiser and we should be exporting, instead of importing hog products.

PURIFYING DRINKING WATER.

A simple method of purifying any water for drinking purposes, by G. G. Nasmith, Ph. D., and R. R. Graham, M. B., published in the British Army Medical Journal:

A stock solution of chlorine may be readily made by rubbing up a teaspoonful of chlorine of lime in a teacup with a little water to a thin mixture free from lumps. This should then be made up to a cupful and diluted with three more cupfuls of water to make the required stock solution. This will keep for a week when tightly corked.

A teaspoonful of this stock solution should be added to each two-gallon pail of drinking water required, thoroughly mixed and allowed to stand for a few minutes. This will give .4 to .5 parts of free chlorine to a million parts of water, and in ten minutes will destroy all typhoid and colon bacilli, or other dysentery producing organisms in the water. Moreover, all traces of chlorine will rapidly disappear.

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SUBSOILING ALFALFA.

Among the different kinds of winter cultivation for alfalfa subsoiling is one of the most interesting and profitable, though little known of or used. Subsoiling is an excellent thing to loosen up the soil, whatever crop is grown, and in alfalfa fields it has the advantage that the soil stirring is accomplished without disturbing the plants, whereas the thorough movement of soil particles given by plowing would mean the end of the stand, and cultivating with discs, renovators, spring tooth harrows and such tools is very shallow though valuable.

The standard of the subsoiler moves through the surface without injuring the crowns, merely pushing them to one side if it does anything, but the shoe, going along about eighteen inches below, pushes the soil aside and cracks it a foot and more in each direction in such fashion as a charge of dynamite would crack soil without shooting it out above the surface.

Most subsoiling for alfalfa has been done in the Imperial Valley on very heavy, compact soil, and that by only a few ranchers, but its benefits would be marked wherever it is done. The growth of alfalfa is determined largely on the way the field takes water, and the opening up of the soil by subsoiling, not only aerates the soil and performs the advantages consequent upon cultivation in general, but it makes the stand take water more readily.

Subsoiling generally is done about every thirty or thirty-six inches, the cracking effects in the soil meeting at this distance. One Imperial farmer, not knowing anything about distance or perhaps merely wanting to try the plan and not having time to do the work thoroughly, subsoiled thirty feet apart last winter, and when summer came his alfalfa grew in waves.—Orchard and Farm.

CLEANLINESS IN DAIRYING.

One of the secrets of successful dairying is conveyed in the one word, cleanliness. This has been an underlying principle from time immemorial and we must never ignore the significant importance attaching to the strictest methods of cleanliness in all departments of the dairy.

Cleanliness is certainly attractive to the general public, and a dairy farm run on hygienic principles will never lack customers, says Farm, Stock and Home. It will meet a ready sale for all its products, and after all it is the market end of farming that provides the profits.

It should be remembered that dirt and foul odors quickly taint dairy products and inoculate them with disease germs. It is for this reason that sterilized and guaranteed milk is so much appreciated and finds such a ready sale. The careful individual will have this class of article at any price, knowing it to be reliable. This by no means shows any excessive degree of fastidiousness on the part of the purchaser. When the ordinary milk and dairy supply is placed on the market in a satisfactory manner and in a clean condition, there will be no need for the specially prepared and therefore necessarily higher priced product.

Clean stables, with plenty of ventilation and light, healthy cows, and ordinary good care in handling the products of the dairy herd can be had on every dairy farm in the country. Such being the case, it should become almost a habit for the dairyman to turn out a product which is as pure and healthy as proper care can make it. The profit in following such a course amply repays one for any extra trouble there may be in inaugurating up-to-date methods.

Holland boasts that that country has a dairy cow for every person living in the rural districts. This is the source of agricultural wealth that any country might be proud to claim. Every country with a dairy cow for every inhabitant is well supplied with human food.

Feeding beef animals in muddy lots is a losing game. Locate the feeding lots on a sandy knoll or hillside, or else rock the corrals well. A steer will lose more weight in a week when standing up to his belly in mud than he can gain back in two weeks.

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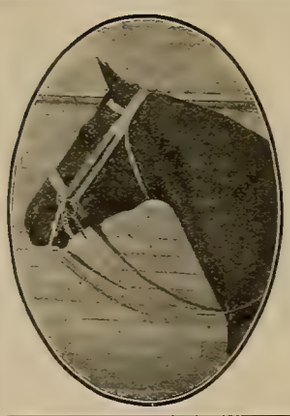
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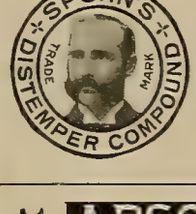
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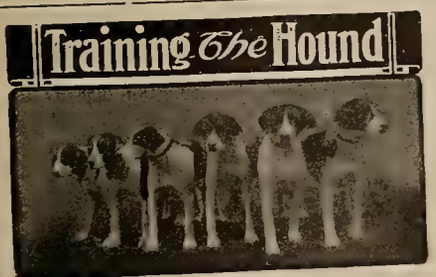
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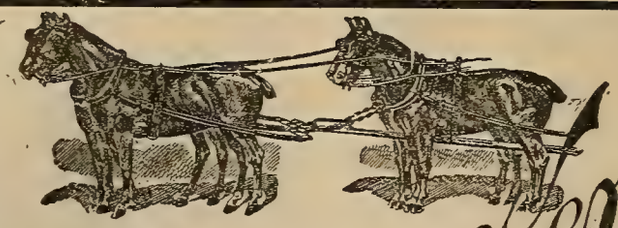
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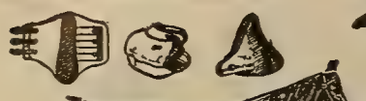
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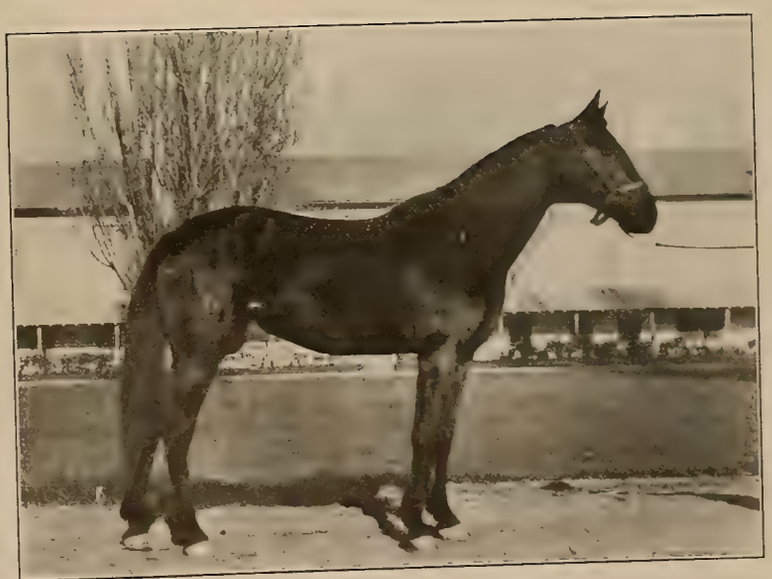
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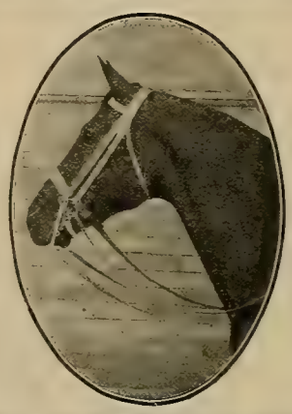




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A step that will be most widely welcomed is that taken by the committee in delaying for thirty days the date for closing entries to the great array of class races that have been provided to keep the big stakes company. Originally it was planned to close these events on March first, but on the suggestion of various horsemen that an allowance of another thirty days would be most acceptable to very many owners who have two or more horses eligible to the same classes, April first was declared closing day for all events aside from the colt stakes already closed and the twenty-thousand dollar events, on which owners may wait until June 1 to make final entry. Nominators to the two- and three-year-old trot and two- and three-year-old pace that are to be raced at the summer meeting are allowed until June 1 to make declaration as to whether they will race at the trot or at the pace; owners of pacing entries desiring to start in the trots must pay the difference in the entrance fee, and on the other hand, those having paid the trotting entrance fees and finding their entry to be a pacer and wishing to transfer to that event will be refunded the proportionate amount.

As a further inducement to eastern and central western horsemen to come to the coast for these meetings, owners of horses shipped from east of the Rocky Mountains will be paid, at the conclusion of the meeting, $50 for each and every horse starting during the meeting and failing to win money. On car rates this would land a horse back at Lexington, for example, and would go far toward defraying expenses in hard luck cases. All three actions should meet with a great deal of favor on the part of horsemen throughout the country who have entries in the events closed or propose being on hand to participate in the general program.

No action was taken in regard to the selection of presiding judge or starter, though these matters were among those discussed, but two appointments were made that will meet with general approval—that of Mr. Charles A. Durfee as track superintendent and of Dr. Ira B. Dalziel as marshal during the meetings. In the matter of the superintendency there were several applications from a pretty evenly matched field of candidates—the committee having as hard a time in making a choice as the judges at a bush fair—and elsewhere—sometimes have in placing their fields at the wire. The committee's main regret is that all the "good men and true" could not be employed, but their final choice will doubtless be widely welcomed, as there are few nooks and corners of the trotting horse world where Charley Durfee (whose middle initial "A." stands for McKinney) needs any introduction.

It was deemed advisable at this time, also, to make proper classification of the several events previously known merely as driving club or amateur events, and these now assume their full identity. For the summer meeting the purses are $1000, classified as Amateur Free For All Trot, 2:20 Driving Club Trot, 2:15 Driving Club Pace, 2:30 Driving Club Trot, 2:14 Amateur Trot, 2:20 Amateur Pace, and Amateur Free For All Pace, while for the fall meeting the purses are $2000 and are classed as Driving Club Free For All Trot and Driving Club Free For All Pace.

The full membership of the committee was present at Wednesday's meeting: Messrs. D. O. Lively, I. L. Borden, John A. McKerron and E. P. Heald, who succeeds to the vacancy caused by the death of the late Colonel Kirkpatrick, with F. W. Kelley in attendance in his capacity as secretary.

AL WHITNEY GLAD HE CAME.

Some time ago we had the pleasure of printing a most glowing opinion of Phoenix given out by Alonzo McDonald, and we learn from mutual friends who have seen that gentleman of late that Los Angeles and Southern California occupy an equally high place in his estimation. That Alonzo is not alone in his good opinion of our golden west as a wintering ground for harness horses is emphatically attested from the appended excerpts from a pleasant and most welcome letter just received from Al Whitney of Chicago, who arrived at Los Angeles before Christmas with the great pacer Dr. Burns Jr. 2:04¼ and the trotting mare Bessie Custer 2:29¼.

Mr. Whitney made the trip at a very inopportune time, owing to the stringent quarantine regulations of which he ran foul, but from the tone of his letter the delay cost him nothing save a bit of inconvenience. However, judge for yourself:

"Regarding the ship here from the east, horses could not possibly have come through in finer condition than did those I shipped from Chicago to Los Angeles. They were on the car twelve days and nights, the ship being made at the time the quarantine was so strict in many states. My car was held at El Paso, awaiting permit from California state veterinary to enter state. Little inconvenience was caused, however, and when we unloaded the horses here, they seemed to look and feel just as good as when they were loaded at Chicago.

"As to Los Angeles, both as a place of residence and a training ground for horses, I can't say too much. I had sometimes dreamed of such an ideal place to train but never expected to see the reality, until I came to Los Angeles. Since I arrived here there hasn't been more than one or two days at a time that one couldn't go a fast mile if his horses were in training, for the weather has been almost perfect, and the track is kept in good enough condition for a grand circuit meeting all the time."

We are most pleased to add Mr. Whitney's kind words to those of Mr. McDonald, as any of the eastern contingent who are wont to apply generous quantities of salt to a Californian's own opinions of California before accepting them, may be more inclined to accord high esteem to the opinions of their friends and neighbors. At all events both Mr. McDonald and Mr. Whitney are glad they came; Californians also are glad that they among all their kind had the confidence in the P.-P. I. E. meetings to adhere to their original plans of wintering in the Golden State, and when they face the starter on the track down near the Golden Gate they will carry the best wishes of a great many California friends.

For the benefit of any eastern horsemen who might wish to make personal inquiry concerning this section from the aforementioned gentlemen we will state that Mr. McDonald's winter home is at 730 Carondelet Street, while Mr. Whitney's address is 320 West Santa Barbara Avenue.

SOME DISCUSSIONS have arisen concerning the substitution clause in the conditions of the big stakes of the exposition meetings that have the four dates of entry closing, though the language setting forth that condition was carefully drawn: "Nominators entering September 1, 1913, have the right to substitute another horse on or before April 1, 1914, by payment of $100 additional, or on or before June 1, 1915, by payment of $200 additional. Horses entered Sept. 1st, 1913, getting faster records before Jan. 1st, 1915, than the classes in which they were entered, may be transferred to the stakes in which they are eligible, and the amount paid in for entrance fee may be applied to entrance in the stake to which they are transferred, or the nominator may name another horse in place of the one originally entered."

No "strings" are tied to the original nominator insofar as a substitution in his own name is concerned, as he may name another horse on whatever grounds he sees fit, and he does not have to declare his grounds. Death, ineligibility, sale, physical disablement or "no accountness" all look alike insofar as the original nominator of Sept. 1, 1913, is concerned. A horse entered on this date may be sold either with or without engagement insofar as these particular stakes are concerned, but his engagement carries no right of substitution, though a horse sold with engagement and racing out of his class prior to Jan. 1, 1915, would be given advantage of the clause governing transfer to class to which he was eligible. The conditions were drawn to encourage and protect the early nominators, but not to open a field for eventual traffic in substitutions to the detriment of the association.

QUITE A NUMBER of our readers have taken advantage of our offer of the Breeder and Sportsman and the Breeder's Gazette for the single three-dollar paid in advance price of this publication, and we wish to call attention to this offer on the part of those of our subscribers or friends who may have overlooked it. More than ever the Breeder and Sportsman is becoming the home paper for the coast horseman, stockman, farmer and sportsman, and to a very large majority of these the Breeder's Gazette should be most welcome, as it stands without rival among the general livestock papers of the world. This is a day of specialization in farming as in all other businesses, but each passing year makes more and more evident the truth that a proper production of livestock forms the most profitable ground plan for every branch of agriculture. Upon some bit of farm land that would otherwise lie idle some provision may be made for a few animals of some description, who will make profit from a by-product that has previously been waste. Many of our California breeders of the trotter are also producers of draft horses, cattle, hogs, sheep or chickens, and to them the costless Gazette, with its vast and authoritative information upon all matters pertaining to its particular fields, should prove a veritable "lucky strike." If you wish it sent with your Breeder and Sportsman, be sure you mention the same when advance subscription payment is made.

WE ARE ADVISED by Secretary Charles W. Paine of the State Agricultural Society that for a number of prime considerations the Occident Stake for 1917 has not been declared closed, and that the society will shortly re-open the same, incorporating a number of conditions that should prove most acceptable to horsemen, and probably combining, for this instance at least, the Stanford and the Occident, though it is by no means the intention to relinquish the use of these names, or the identity of the individual stakes.

As the program of the state fair has stood for some time, there is a tendency on the part of breeders to feel that the racing of three-year-old trotters is overdone, as within the course of the meeting are held the Stanford and Occident stakes and the State Fair Futurity, and in very many instances, the great majority in fact, the same colts have engagements in all three events. Three starts in eight days is a considerable demand to make of even the very best of three-year-olds and for this reason, at least, the experiment will be made of having but the two events in 1917, both of considerable richness. The effect of this plan upon the entry list, the number of starters and the quality of racing resulting will determine the future course of the society in regard to the number of three-year-old events provided.

WITH THE TRAINING SEASON in California "just on the turn" between winter idleness and spring activity, the offerings of racing material made on our business pages by W. G. Durfee should meet with ready takers among our campaigning horsemen or fun drivers. We have heard people say that "there's no use of me starting against Durfee for I haven't that kind of stuff," a condition which need not exist this season for the opportunity is afforded for getting just exactly "that kind of stuff." The announcement includes horses for all classes at the pace or trot, a goodly number of them well developed futurity prospects, paid up in the coast classics. The Carlokins are hailed as great colt trotters throughout the land, and there are any number of youngsters in the lot by this great son of McKinney and from the best mares.

THE STALLION OWNER rubbed his eyes
And gazed up at the glad spring skies,
While he muttered in tones of some surprise:
"Be gosh, it's time to advertise!"
—With apologies to Tedd Kline.

A January Day at Pleasanton

Some bright soul made in my hearing recently the apparently contradictory but absolutely truthful remark that "it rains awfully hard awfully easy here in this neck of the woods of late," and heedful of the excellent grounds on which this statement was made, and my experience on two Saturdays in succession at San Jose, I was a bit chary of chancing Pleasanton for the last week end. However, I risked it and for once this winter hit it right, as Saturday in the Livermore valley was a day as "rare" as the "rarest day in June" that any sob sister or oozy poet ever threw fits over. (Incidentally, in regard to this "rare day" business, my sympathies have always been with the school kid who, when the teacher started in sonorously on "What is so rare as a day in June," with the proper oratorical pause about at this point, piped up loud and shrill: "Thirty days in February!" I never did think that the wallop he got was coming to him at all.)

On the way up Friday evening the green hills of the coast range, the fields where grain was sprouting, and the generous heads of water carried by Alameda and Alviso creeks bespoke an abundance of recent rainfall, so that the best I looked for was considerable discomfort underfoot. I was "disappointed" pleasantly on this score too, for the valley roads were fairly dry and the track at the Mackenzie plant was not merely in shape for jogging, but good for stepping as fast as any house or trainer has a license to go at this season of the year.

So far the boys have been content for the main with easy jogging, but with the turn of the year comes the inclination to move along a bit for a short distance, and Saturday there would occasionally come down between the barns near the head of the stretch a clatter of flying feet that told that somebody—or bodies—was advancing the spark for an eighth or a quarter. Almost before we know it the railbirds will be talking of miles in 2:15, then about twelve, and ten, or lower, and the June meeting will be within our midst. However, we'll be ready. The stables at Pleasanton are getting newcomers quite often and at present the winter colony is not only a pretty extensive one, but the class of horseflesh represented is exceptionally good. Detailed descriptions of the various strings, to any great extent, are impossible at present, but by looking over the makeup of the various stables as presented herewith you may get a fair line on what the boys have, so that you will know "who is who and what is which" when the fast quarters, halves, miles and repeats begin to break into print later on.

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Lee Barker, who is handling the horses of Mr. S. S. Bailey, has the half dozen in his care in the nicest sort of winter condition. Bon Guy (3) 2:11¾ is as round as any dollar ever milled and looks like a trotter with quite a bit of usefulness under his belt, as his legs are in good shape again and he has always had the needed speed and ambition. Bertie Seattle, a five-year-old daughter of Prince Seattle 2:22¼ and a Zombro mare, has the appearance of a pretty oily pacer and ought to put her sire in the great table this year with a bump, as she worked three times below ten last year, the fastest mile in 2:08¼. The boss of the barn is the Copa de Oro two-year-old, Jim de Oro, out of Esther D. by Diablo 2:09¼, and he is a nicely built youngster with lots of pep and spunk; little save breaking and jogging has ever been done with him, but last year he turned off eighths handily between :15 and :16. The remaining three are young things by Bon Guy—a two-year-old bay gelding out of a Prince Ansel mare, just nicely broken, a yearling bay filly out of a daughter of Tidal Wave 2:06¾, second dam by Zombro, that trotted eighths in :22 as a mere baby, and a yearling chestnut filly also out of a Tidal Wave mare, second dam by Montana Director; this lass is more rugged than the other yearling and has been a pacer right from the start, having breezed the little distance in :20½ before she was six months old.

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Lou Taylor has not yet returned from his vacation visit back to his old stamping grounds around Binghampton, N. Y., where he is enjoying all the delights of an "old-fashioned winter," but John Murphy is giving competent handling to the few horses reserved from the extensive string on hand prior to the December sale. The favorite is the four-year-old filly Luana by Kinney Lou 2:07¾—Benito B. 2:25½ by Stam B. 2:11¼, that trotted as a three-year-old in 2:19 and has the appearance of making a very high class mare. Honey Boy is a pacing gelding of like age by Kinney Lou and out of Carrie B. 2:18 (dam of Lovelock 2:05¼, etc.) by Alexander Button, and there is a nice trotting gelding a year younger out of the same good matron but by Tom Smith 2:13¼. Murphy is just giving the primary lessons to a yearling filly by Yoncalla (son of Bon Voyage 2:08 and Birdie by Jay Bird) and out of Yolanda 2:14¼ by McKinney. This lass carries some mighty strong blood and is, if I am not mistaken, the only foal by Yoncalla, as he was gelded fairly early in life and did very little stud duty.

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Homer Rutherford is handling but two, but they ought to make a formidable pair from past performance and present indications. Homer's trotter is the black three-year-old colt George N. Patterson by On Voyage 2:25¾—Yu Tu by R. Ambush 2:09¼, and the lad is surely a nice cut of a horse. He worked in 2:13½ as a two-year-old and can yank Homer an eighth at a two-minute gait 'most any time; he is staked in the Stanford and the Breeders Futurity. The pacer is the brown mare Colleen, now five years old, by Charley D. 2:06¼, and out of that "old original" 2:10 pacing mare Cricket (great brood mare), by Steinway 2:25¾. This lass is excellently set up, though not overly large, and showed a sample of her speed in the 2:20 pace at Santa Rosa last year when Clara Mac gave the bunch that initial jolt; she paced the last half of the first heat in a minute to save herself after troubles in the early part of the mile, and came back out, going away in ninth position, and finished fourth in 2:06¼, going the route in about the same notch as the winner.

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Horace Feindel is jogging Johano, the black son of Carlokin 2:07½ and Johanna Treat 2:24¾, and not only likes the fellow better the longer he works him but is confident that he is the best Carlokin—and the best Johanna Treat—to date. The lad has come slow but steadily and has done all asked of him with an ease that bespeaks plenty of reserve capacity on tap for the time when Horace begins to camp on his trail. Feindel recently purchased of Mrs. H. E. Armstrong the yearling filly Susie Aker, by Bodaker 2:13—Domestic by Mechanic, second dam Modesto by Mendocino (3) 2:19½, and is much pleased with the way the little lady is taking her lessons. He is handling three pacers for Mr. Armstrong, all from the double producer of 2:10 speed, Jessie M. by Del Norte 2:08, headed by the gelding Hal J. 2:09½ by Hal B. 2:04½. Jessie Patchen is a three-year-old filly by Joe Patchen II 2:03¼ and the third is a two-year-old gelding by Vernon McKinney 2:01½. Both are big, strong and sound, pace naturally, and promise much in the way of future speed, as their dam has not yet failed to throw that desirable commodity in her foals.

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Ed Parker, who came down from Woodland some weeks ago with his own colt, Tango, has added a couple to his stable, the property of W. E. Detels. The oldest is a three-year-old bay trotting gelding by Palite 45062 and the other a yearling filly, just nicely ground broken, by Graham Bellini (3) 2:11¼, both out of Daphne McKinney, full sister to Yolanda 2:14¼. Ed's own colt is doing nicely and is pretty well liked by "the boys" as an up and coming trotter. I learned a bit more about his breeding than I knew before, as his dam, Paprika, is also the dam of Enchilada 2:18¼, a 1914 new one, second dam Auntie (dam of Ante Dawn (3) 2:19½ and Sable Nut (2) 2:22¼) by Dawn 2:18¼, third dam Netteo by Anteeo, the fourth dam also being a producer.

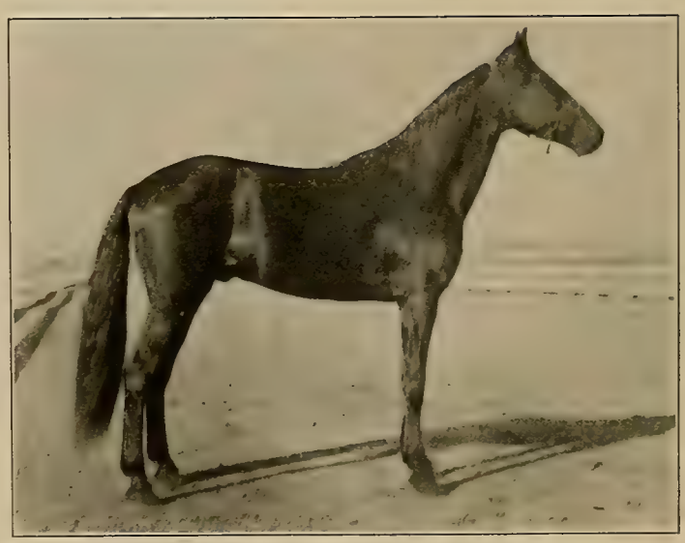
Charles McCarthy has all he wants to handle for the present in George Hammett (3) 2:15¼, one of the best sons of Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ and for whom he has a cash offer of $3,000. He doesn't seem especially anxious to dispose of the boy even at an advance on this figure, as the lad has a pretty strong hold on his affections, as School Bell was campaigned over the northwestern tracks by Mr. McCarthy and took a record of 2:16¼ for him at Missoula eleven years ago. George Hammett was a good three-year-old in 1912, and in his two years of easy handling has matured into a very pleasing horse with plenty of speed, as evidenced by his work last fall well on the faster side of 2:10. He is very strongly trotting bred, as School Bell is a daughter of Prodigal, second dam Maria W. by Albert W., third Ma Belle by Echo 462. Mr. McCarthy also has a two-year-old filly out of the same mare to the cover of Bon McKinney 2:24¼, the lass at present being at Joe Twohig's ranch at Warm Springs. As Bon McKinney is himself a sire of pronounced early speed the filly "ought to do" if she lives up to her pedigree to any extent.

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Al McDonald is keeping fairly busy with a stable of six head, which includes one of the best looking and most promising youngsters by The Bondsman that I have struck yet. The lad is Al's own property and is a two-year-old bay colt out of Eva H. by Washington McKinney 2:17½; he has worked in 2:34½, with quarters in :34, and acts just like a trotter that will be a contender in this year's futurities. Al is just breaking a two-year-old Bon Guy filly for W. E. Detels, and is wintering Charley Durfee's Prince Ansel—Directum pacer, pending the time when C. A. gets in the riding notion. His Star Pointer pacer Asa Pointer, that worked in 2:06¼ last year for him, looks good for the green classes this year, and he has two trotters belonging to J. O. Johnston of Oakland, the hard luck horse Rapallo formerly in Peter Hodge's string and now apparently more fit than ever, and a three-year-old bay gelding by Copa de Oro 2:01, and from a Zombro mare. This lad has all the appearance of quality and promise that characterizes the balance of the Copa de Oro youngsters, and worked as a two-year-old in 2:27½.

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Charley Spencer and Mel Keefer arrived at Pleasanton just the day before I was there, and though they were hardly "settled" yet, both were out getting their work with the balance of the boys. They have stable room at the track for six head, and the "overflow" of four are quartered outside, as the boys have a comfortable barn at their winter home. I saw their string some weeks ago at Sacramento just after they had been "let down" for the season and they have fleshed up to prime winter shape. Their entry for the big stake at the P.-P. I. E., Bonnie Ansel, by Prince Ansel and out of Woodland Bonnie Derby by Charles Derby, is a bundle of speed and muscle and gave an idea of her quality last fall when she trotted the Sacramento track in 2:07¼ and repeated in 2:09 for a cooling out mile. Their colt stake entry for the same meeting, The Expense by The Proof, is a handy lass that ought to be up in the money, and Nuristo 2:10¼ never looked better. Arista An-



THE PROOF (2) 2:29¾, by THE EXPONENT 2:11¾.

sel (2) 2:18½, that had the misfortune to run foul of a nail at Sacramento and go on the shelf, is coming out nicely, while Don Vassar continues to look good on a pace. Both Charley and Mel are highly pleased with the improvement in The Proof since Dan O'Keefe got on the right track with his feet, and predict that he will give a good account of himself before the season is over. His colts have made good with their various owners, which is a great bid for popularity for any sire, and before going to the races the son of The Exponent will make a limited stud season. The horses quartered outside include a racy looking pacing stud belonging contingent at Santa Maria while the boys were away continuent at Santa Maria while the boys were away all season and who is now with them at Pleasanton), the big fellow being by Alcona Wilkes and out of a daughter of Gaviotta, a son of Electioneer and Lady Ellis by Mohawk Chief. Mona Ansel, a four-year-old bay horse by Monocrat—Decoratia by Prince Ansel, second dam Majella B. by Nushagak, is owned by W. L. Young of Santa Maria and paced miles over a two-lap track last year in 2:20½. Decoratia is further represented by a two-year-old trotting filly, Katharine T. by The Proof, owned by Mrs. Hannah Treanor of the same city, while the fourth member of the stable belongs to Mrs. Spencer, who raised her from an orphan "bottle baby"—Zomaverne, a nice trotting filly by Jules Verne 57292 and out of Zoma by Zombro.

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Millard Sanders, like several other members of the colony, is pinning his faith to one horse and making that horse a good one, the only member of his stable at present being the C. L. Crellin pacer O. U. C., by C. The Limit 2:03¼ and out of Rosa Woodburn by Guy Wilkes. This lad worked in 2:06 last year with quarters in :28¼ and has the power and punch to carry him as fast as his famous dad and keep on coming back. He has already showed Lou and Millard enough that the price is already somewhere up about four times four figures.

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H. G. Smith has nine head that keep him stepping around a good part of the day, several of whom were in his hands last year—Alton S. 2:15 by Alton B., belonging to A. Sperry, Vacaville; Della H. 2:10 by Hal B. 2:04¼; Star Tilden 2:15¼ by Star Pointer 1:59¼—Jessie Tilden by Roy Wilkes 2:06½, owned by Geo. W. Putnam of Salt Lake, and the trotter John Gwynne 2:11½ by McMyrtle, that H. G. bought at the Kirkpatrick dispersal. This horse at $150 looks and is a mighty cheap buy, and Smith has had several opportunities to turn him at a profit. He has a nice Charley D. filly in Lottie, out of a daughter of Nutwood Wilkes, second dam Cricket 2:10, and is just breaking a husky six-year-old mare by Lee Dillon out of a daughter of Father McKinnon. Smith also has the horses purchased by T. D. Sexton at the DeRyder sale, Future Tramp and Lucretia Bond, the latter a well staked three-year-old filly by The Bondsman—Lucretia 2:13¼, by Nazote. She is not large but Smith claims her to be "all horse" and a handy little trotter. Future Tramp, that was a pickup at $550, is breezing right along in his winter work and looks like a real good representative for Trampfast (2) 2:12¼ to have on the coast. The maternal crosses to Chimes, Alcantara, George Wilkes and Mambrino Chief ought to do something for him in the way of furnishing speed and stamina. Smith still had the Vernon McKinney—Poinsetta yearling, Vernon Pointer, when I was at his stable, but intended bringing him down this week to his new owner, as Mr. Chandler intends looking after him himself until the time for actual speed making rolls around.

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Bud Davis of Caldwell, Idaho, whose son-in-law Jud N. Davis is interested in the horses racing under Bud's colors and is doing the teaming for the stable, was a liberal patron of the DeRyder sale and added three youngsters to his string at that time that he has found no occasion to be dissatisfied with to date, two of them two-year-olds by The Bondsman. The colt, McGregor Bond 60149, is out of Gregan by Steinway 2:25¾ (sire of the dams of four in 2:10), second dam the great brood mare Maggie McGregor by Robert McGregor 2:17½, whose daughters have been most productive of 2:10 speed. The filly is out of Ava J. 2:28 by Zombro 2:11, second dam by Secretary, and both are slick trotters, well staked. The third purchase is the four-year-old filly Belle Demonio by Demonio Wilkes 2:09¼, out of the great brood mare Jessie M., with two in 2:10, by Del Norte 2:08, and this lass looks to be as good as any of her family in a little time. She came into the ring with a bad looking wire cut on her left front foot and was knocked down to Bud for thirty bucks, since which time a little care has put her "on the road to Wellville" and in time she will have a good foot that will make her price look like thirty cents, in comparison. May Davis 2:08¼, the "old mare" of the outfit, hasn't taken on much meat since coming to Pleasanton, but is in good husky shape. Last year she paid a profit with "catch drivers," and if Jud can keep in driving shape himself this year instead of "laying down" on the old gentleman with another busted peg she ought to give a good account of herself in 1915.

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Charley DeRyder, with a crew of good boys to back him up, is giving the winter work to a pretty extensive stable, and is about as busy as anyone really needs to be and have any time left for hunting, autoing, etc. Joe Patchen 2:03¼ and Vernon McKinney 2:01½, the king pin pacers of the stable, both give evidence of being in shape to go to the races this summer and give a good account of themselves in any kind of company. Joe has recovered nicely from the sickness that put him on the shelf last year, and I was surprised quite a bit in Vernon McKinney. Since I saw him last he has filled and widened out considerably and is a much better looking horse. Zomblack has been working on a pace since DeRyder's return from Phoenix, and the big black fellow takes to it just like it suits him from the ground up.

Maymack 2:04½, with two world's records hanging under her name, the fifth heat record of 2:06¼ and the three heat record for mares of 2:04½, 2:05¼, 2:05, enters her tenth year seemingly just coming right, as she was never better than in her last race and shows no ill effects from her hard campaigns of the last two years and her hard luck previous experience. Bertha Carey 2:08¼, rounding into soundness after her crippled period of 1914, should be a formidable mare in her classes, as she trotted in a race at Lexington last year in 2:05¼; she is another of the "short bred" ones that have made good, as her breeding is established only for her first dam (Nell by Bob Mason) on the maternal side. Miss Perfection (3) 2:09¼ has been a favorite of mine since her two-year-old form, and I was pleased to learn that DeRyder thinks so well of the daughter of Gen. Watts and Sue Fletcher by Tregantle 2:09¼ that she is a probable starter in one of the twenty-thousand dollar trots at the P.-P. I. E. She is one of the nicest fillies imaginable, good headed and a steady trotter, and turned the Pleasanton track in 2:07½ after she came home last fall.

I had not seen The Earnest since immediately after his castration, and he looks now after a long let-up to be in shape to come right again. His three-year-old let down from about 2:14 or 2:15 to generously below 2:10 worked against him, but he retains a great brush of speed and may round into the horse that one would expect to find in a son of The Exponent 2:11¾ and the great brood mare Mardella by Delmar. The bay mare Astro Harvester, by The Harvester—Grace Rysdyk by Judge Rysdyk 2:26, trotted nicely in 2:15 with last half in 1:03 and looks good for a great deal more this season.

The lad of the stable that catches everybody's eye, however, is the big two-year-old gelding Anvilite, by Anvil 2:03¾, the great trotter bred by F. G. Jones and raced so successfully by Ed Geers. The lad's dam is Martha Spy, a young matron by The Spy (sire of Evelyn W. 2:00½, Chimes Hal 2:06¼, etc.); second dam Bessie Chaffin by Fred S. Wilkes 2:11¾ (sire of Fred S. Wedgewood 2:05¼, etc.); third dam Aufait (dam of Dr. French (3) 2:23¼) by Auditor, etc., and though not much has been asked of him he can spin a half close to 1:10 on any occasion, and answers every demand so satisfactorily that the regulars all regard him very highly. Mahomet Watts 2:08¼, leased from Gen. C. C. Watts and brought to California when DeRyder came home from Lexington, is another lad that is attracting a good deal of attention, as he is by Gen. Watts (3) 2:06¾ and out of Alla P. 2:21¼, a producing daughter of Palo Alto 2:08¾ and the great old matron Lula Wilkes by George Wilkes, the former mare bred at Palo Alto and the latter owned there in days gone by. This boy was in the 2:10 list as a three-year-old and last year in his five-year-old form trotted in 2:05½ in the M. and M. with W. L. Snow in the sulky, so that there is something to work on for 1915. He will make a limited season of twenty mares before going to the races.

San Felipe 2:09¼, undefeated in 1912 and a hard luck horse last year owing to sickness, has just been taken up recently after running out since his return home in October and seems a good horse again. He is entered in the big stake at the exposition and will carry a world of friendly wishes if he starts, as he has lots of loyal admirers here on the coast. Sis Bodaker goes through the stretches at a whacking trot and looks like a good performer for that old roan hero Bodaker 2:13. She is right on her dam's side, as Sis Meridian is a half sister to Perfection, trial 2:06¼, for whom George Estabrook paid Charley DeRyder ten thousand dollars and whom he lost by death before getting her to the races. A four-year-old colt by Vernon McKinney and out of a daughter of Diablo 2:09¼, second dam the dam of Leata J. 2:03, has gone the route in 2:16 on a pace with a half in 1:04. The babies of the stable are a couple of yearlings by Copa de Oro 2:01 and Vernon McKinney 2:01½, respectively, the former out of Hawthorne by McKinney and the latter out of Merry Widow 2:03¼, which makes a pretty fast combination to start on. Whether the kids live up to their pedigrees remains to be seen, but they will at any rate be given a chance to do so.

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Barney Simpson is not stocked up heavily at present, but has a likely pair of trotting mares that keep him from being idle. One is a five-year-old by The Fleet 2:22—Bonita by Welcome 2:10½, with the succeeding dams by Director 2:17, Chieftain, and "the Mambrino Patchen of the Pacific coast," Williamson's Belmont; she worked last year in 2:26, with quarters in :34. The other is Barney's favorite and is a year older, by Bon Voyage 2:08 and out of a daughter of Don Derby 2:04¼. This lass had only ninety days' handling last year, but came to her speed very convincingly with a late mile in 2:16, half in 1:06, quarter in :31½.

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George Ramage came down from Santa Rosa late in the fall and has a pair of mighty likely green mares, one being the six-year-old Grace Fowler, belonging to S. B. Wright. She is a full sister to Sonoma Girl 2:04¼, and in a life of well fed idleness she has grown into a pretty huskily set up mare. George broke her last year but developed no speed, as her feet were bad from long running in a muddy lot. Now, however, she is pretty well broken and her feet are in much better shape, so that George will begin searching her out occasionally for a few seconds more speed as she goes along. The other girl is the nine-year-old Clara Mills, that "showed something" last fall while the boys were congregated at Santa Rosa waiting for the races there. Earlier in the year, July 5, she was third in 2:23 in a matinee at Petaluma and ten days later at Santa Rosa won a matinee race in two out of three heats, the second and third, in 2:15 and 2:14½. As the track was kept

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LOE BLOSSOM 2:10½ by LEPIDE 49209.

NOTES and NEWS

Cleveland opens the Grand Circuit July 19.

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The daily press has recently circulated a story that Clara Mac 2:04½ is for sale, but we have heard nothing of it from headquarters as yet.

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Who wants to buy a better pacer for pleasure and profit than Don Pronto 2:02¼? It's a shame that he was so crippled up at his last appearance at Phoenix that he could only win six firsts out of six heats and could only go them in 2:05, 2:04½, 2:05¾, 2:05, 2:05¼, 2:05!

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Col. Jim Thompson and Charley DeRyder were among the suburbanite teamsters who viewed the tall buildings on Market street this week, but both escaped being run over, held up, or the ill effects following blowing out the gas, all of which things sometimes befall the rural visitor.

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Some days ago a letter arrived in San Francisco addressed to "N. L. Snowden, Panama-Pacific Exposition, Care of Mr. Ch. Durfee, Trotting Races." Inquiry on the part of Mr. Durfee has so far failed to locate the owner, and if any of our readers can supply the address of Mr. Snowden to this office it will no doubt be much appreciated by all parties concerned.

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According to eastern dispatches, President P. P. Johnston of the National Trotting Association has suspended the recent decision of the board of review expelling Vance Nuckols for his conduct at the fall meeting at Rockport, Ohio, and the case of the Cleveland horseman will be given a rehearing at the board's spring meeting.

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Keefer & Spencer landed at Pleasanton last Friday with their stable of trotters and pacers, concentrating at that point the two establishments maintained until recently at Sacrameno and Santa Maria. They have some well developed timber for the season's big events and several classy youngsters, noted more fully with the balance of the Pleasanton stables.

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President Daniel E. Hoffman of the California Driving Club is "on the dicker" with that canny horseman, Doctor Dalziel, for the latter's McKinney stallion, Tom Smith 2:13¼, whom Dan covets as a partner for Jonesie Mac to pole for the cutting of a wide swath at the horse show next month. They were hitched together a few days ago and make a "team as is a team" for stallions.

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The "business men's meeting" for the runners is on at New Orleans, and though the daily reports do not reach us we learn from other sources that the public have welcomed it with a whoop and a hurrah and that the attendance is running well over expectations—also that the sport is good and that the system of betting is proving acceptable to all concerned. Some day we will see the thoroughbreds racing again in California under an entire new system, and four or five trotting meetings to where we now have one.

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Charley Snow, who for many years was with Johnny Dickerson and ironed 'em off all down the big lines, and Watt Cleveland of Billy Durfee stable fame, who has also been going down the G. C. for the last few seasons, are fighting the fire at Pleasanton Driving Park and getting all the business they can well handle from the "winter colony" of trainers. So successful have the boys been in meeting the individual requirements of various birds who have to be "just so" that George Ryan threatens to have them iron off Miss Harris, in an effort to enable her to "see where to put 'em." Next!

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Sheriff Donald McRae of Snohomish county, Washington, has arrived at home at Everett with his new trotter Vallejo Girl 2:10¼ by McKinney 2:11¼, sold by L. B. Taylor at the December sale at Pleasanton, and it is his intention to race her this season on the North Pacific Circuit. Everett will give a spring meeting, and as Mr. McRae, who is an enthusiastic harness horseman, has been made manager of the race meeting and the plant, it looks like Everett would again become a good racing point. Bellingham will also give a spring meeting, and the North Pacific fair and race track managers will meet February 4-5 at Vancouver, Washington, to arrange circuit dates for the season of 1915.

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Mr. George Wingfield, who is assembling at the Nevada Stock Farm, near Reno, the nucleus of a great plant for the breeding of thoroughbreds, has recently become owner of the great sire formerly owned at Ormondale Stock Farm, Ossary, the son of Ormonde—Countess Langdon, of the renowned Queen Mary family. Ossary has been a private stallion the greater portion of his life, but has sired a great many winners of the American turf, and Ocydrome and Ottery St. Mary have raced in at the head of their fields over the classic courses of England. Ossary should have several years of usefulness in the stud yet before him, and his get from the Nevada Stock Farm band of matrons will doubtless add much to his renown as a speed sire and carry the Wingfield colors to the front in many a hard fought battle.

The first foal of 1915 to be reported to this office is an Arizona lass owned by Dr. A. H. Davidson of Phoenix. The young lady arrived very shortly after prohibition and heavy rains hit the desert hand in hand, having been foaled on January fourth. She is by Directly 2:03¼, who has held the two-year-old record for pacing colts for twenty years, and out of Lillian Zolock 2:22¾ (who has a two-year-old matinee record of 2:17 and is the dam of two in the list) by Zolock 2:05¼, second dam Lillian Welborn, a double producing daughter of St. Vincent, etc. She is a little pickaniny in color, taking that honestly from "the little black rascal" who is her sire, and will doubtless be heard from some day in fast company.

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H. E. Armstrong, formerly a familiar figure on the circuits and at Pleasanton, where he at one time controlled the destinies of the driving park, has been back home at the Livermore valley town since before Christmas and is getting a deal of pleasure out of riding behind the youngsters that Horace Feindel has been handling for him. For the last several months Mr. Armstrong has been operating in the big timber country down the Columbia from Portland, and has a good project well established. He plans to return to the north woods in the course of a few weeks and get in shape for a good run of business in 1915.

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J. N. Colomb, who is the resident commissioner for the Louisiana exhibit at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, and who brought with him to California the Jay McGregor youngster Onward McGregor (3) 2:23¼ and the great race and show mare Mary Gordon 2:09¾, will breed Yolanda 2:14¼ to Onward McGregor early in the season and ship her to Kentucky to join other matrons in which he is interested. Mr. Colomb received a draft in excess of $1800 for his interest in the sister to Peter Volo, sold to Cleveland parties, and at present owns a quarter interest in a half sister to Peter Volo, a yearling by Axworthy out of Nervolo Belle, a two-year-old gelding by Peter O'Donna 2:08 out of the dam of Petress Burton (3) 2:12, and a two-year-old filly by Peter the Great out of Emma Cecil by Gambetta Wilkes, certainly a class of youngsters of whom he has every right to be proud.

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Among the interested visitors at Pleasanton last Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Longley of Chicago, whose extensive ranch holdings near Bishop cause them to devote a great deal of their time to California, and who are spending the winter at the Hotel Oakland. Mr Longley has two promising pacing prospects in the hands of Bert Webster, by the great sires Baron Direct and Star Pointer, and was much entertained by their work Saturday and that of the numerous other good ones assembled at Pleasanton, while Mrs. Longley seemed to enjoy herself most when making the intimate acquaintance of a number of the babies of the stables, evidencing a special attraction to the spunky, husky little chap by Frank Perry and out of the blind daughter of Sidney Dillon, Miss Harris. Saturday was one of "those kind of days," and we imagine that during the sunny hours at the track and the auto rides through the Dublin Canyon and the greening foothills, California suffered nothing in their esteem as they drew mental pictures of their country home at Wheaton, where the winter has been exceptionally severe.

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L. H. Todhunter of Sacramento, long one of California's successful speed breeders, was in San Jose early in the week looking over the ground there to get a first hand idea of the stabling, pasturing and shipping facilities, as he is considering that city as a place to locate his great youngster Peter McKlyo (3) 2:12½ during the breeding season. He was pretty well pleased with the situation, as the local accommodations for that business are very good, and San Jose is very easily reached from several localities where brood mare owners patronize stallions that suit them with slight regard to cost. Peter McKlyo is not only a fast and remarkably pleasing young stallion from other important viewpoints, but he is the only son of Peter the Great standing for service in California, the Pilot Medium blood being sturdily backed by successive maternal crosses to Jay McGregor 2:07¼, Lakewood 2:17 (a progenitor of three-year-old 2:10 speed through his daughters), Happy Medium 400 and Countersign 885, and his services will doubtless become popular here on the coast where lone members of great eastern families have in days gone by built up families of their own of equal or surpassing splendor.

NORTH PACIFIC FAIR ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the North Pacific Fair Association will be held at Vancouver, Washington, on February 4-5, 1915.

Thirty fairs in the Northwest and Canada have membership in this association, while this year there will be a large attendance of stockmen who are seriously interested in enlarging the shipping circuit for livestock exhibitors and making a continuous trip without loss of time at a minimum of expense.

Among the other matters to be settled are the dates of the various fairs of the Northwest, the racing classes, and other important phases of the business.

The officers are Robert H. Cosgrove of Spokane, president, and Jno. W. Pace, of Seattle, secretary and treasurer.

THE OCCIDENT STAKE FOR 1915 AND 1916.

One of the long established events for three-year-old trotters on the Pacific Coast is the Occident Stake, which has furnished some of the best racing of the season year in and year out, and which is eagerly fooked forward to with a great deal of interest on the part of both horsemen and public. The event carries not only added money, but the winner is awarded the highly prized Occident Cup, and that the racing of the next two numbers of the series will be equal to or surpass the quality displayed in those gone by is evidenced by the number of nominators who have made second and third payments.

With other local classics, the Occident stake for 1915 has been incorporated in the program for the fall meeting at the exposition, and is scheduled to be raced on Saturday, October 30th, the same day that witnesses the contesting of the great twenty-thousand-dollar stake for 2:10 trotters. As in previous years, the starters will be the pick of the west, as almost every establishment from which the recent winners or contending horses have come is represented by from one to half a dozen paid up entries. Those who have made payments to date in the two events, with number of entries owned by each, are as follows:

List of Names of Those Who Have Made Third Payments in Occident Stake, 1915.

Name and Address.	No. Entries.
Angevine, H. G., 67 So. 2nd St., San Jose	1
Borden, I. L., 417 Montgomery St., San Francisco	2
Detels, Wm., Pleasanton	1
Durfee, W. G., 2019 S. Figueroa St., Los Angeles	4
Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet	1
Hogoboom, H. S., Woodland	1
Lipson, Mrs. Mabel, P. O. Box 464, Tulare	1
Nichols & Holoday, Salinas	1
Rogers, L. R., Las Palmas, Fresno	1
Ruhstaller, F. J., Sacramento	1
Short, J. E., Lompoc	1
Todhunter, L. H., P. O. Box 387, Sacramento	1
Tucker, Dr. I. L., Oroville	1
Ward, F. E., 3812 So. Vermont Ave., Los Angeles	1
Warlow, Geo. L., Fresno	1
Weldon, E. J., 902 J St., Sacramento	1
White, Dr. J. L., 318 K St., Sacramento	1
Rodman & Hoy, Winters (S. H. Hoy)	1
Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland	2
Livermore, Miss Elizabeth King, 1023 Vallejo St., San Francisco	1
Total paid	25

List of Those Who Have Made Second Payments in Occident Stake of 1916.

Name and Address.	No. Entries.
Borden, I. L., 417 Montgomery St., San Francisco	3
Christenson, S., Palace Hotel, San Francisco	2
Durfee, W. G., 2019 So. Figueroa St., Los Angeles	6
Gammon, E. A., Hood, Cal.	1
Grant, Alex., 1201 W. 37th St., Los Angeles	1
Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet	4
Treanor, Frank, Santa Maria	1
Sexton, T. D., 2608 Market St., Oakland	1
Lipson, Mrs. Mabel, Tulare	1
Maben, J. S., Visalia	1
Ruhstaller, F. J., Sacramento	1
Scott, A. L., 700-768 7th St., Sacramento	2
Hoy, Sam, Winters	1
Short, J. C., Lompoc	1
Todhunter, L. H., Sacramento	1
Weldon, E. J., Sacramento	1
Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland	3
Winter, Chas. W.	1
Woy, M. L., P. O. Box 501, Fresno	1
DeRyder, C. L., Pleasanton	1
MacKenzie, R. J., Pleasanton	1
Total paid	35

A. W. MORRISON PASSES AWAY.

Alexander Wylie Morrison, pioneer hotel man of California and owner of a half interest in the Western Hotel in Sacramento, died last Saturday in this city as a result of paralysis; Mr. Morrison had been in poor health for some months, and he and his wife had been making their home here since October in the hope that the change of climate would be beneficial, but without results.

"Alex" Morrison, as he was most familiarly known to a wide circle of friends and acquaintances, was born near Boyd's Bridge, Mountain township, Canada, December 15, 1846. Most of his youth was spent on a farm near Ontario. He received a diploma from a business college in Toronto, Canada, September 7, 1867, and in January the following year sailed for San Francisco, where he became clerk in the old American Exchange hotel. He went to Canada on a visit and on his return to California became head clerk of the Sacramento hostelry in which he afterwards became half owner. He is survived by two sisters whose home is in Canada, and Mrs. Morrison, who was Miss Mattie Martha Jones, daughter of a famous old time sea captain.

Mr. Morrison was a great friend of the light harness horse, a patron of breeding and colt raising in a modest way, and kept his favorites near at hand to the hotel where he could have the pleasure of handling them without detriment to his business.

Montreal is a newcomer to the Grand Circuit for 1915, with two meetings of three days each.

ENTRIES FOR THE BIG STAKES.

January second was the third date of closing for entries to the big twenty-thousand dollar stakes for the spring and summer meetings at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, and a number of owners took advantage of the opportunity to pay in on the three per cent basis that allows them to face the starter for the rich money for only $600. Letters received from various sources bespeak a much greater entry June first on the thousand dollar basis, as quite a number of prominent stables have two or more horses that they are "sampling" that are eligible to the events, and they prefer waiting until the last minute in order to be sure of entering their best candidate in preference to making a cash saving of $400 and running the risk of entering the wrong horse and thereby losing a much greater amount.

For the convenience of our readers we publish herewith the complete list of entries to each of the four events as they stand at this time. Nominators who made entry on September 1, 1913, have unconditional rights of substitution on or before June 1, 1915, by the payment of $200 additional—that is, they personally may name another starter for their own benefit on any grounds whatsoever, death, ineligibility, sale of entry without engagement, or failure of original entry to live up to expectations, etc. Or, in case their entry may have raced to a record making him ineligible to the class on Jan. 1, 1915, and they have no horse they desire to substitute and start in the big stake, they may transfer entry to the class to which the horse is eligible and the $200 will be credited toward the starting fee for that class. Entries made April 1, 1914, and Jan. 2, 1915, are not open to substitution or transfer to class races.

In the following list, instances will be noted in the early entries where horses are ineligible by record, or are dead or known from other sources not to be probable starters, but as owners have not yet made declaration of transfer or substitution, as the case may call for, they appear as originally made:

SUMMER MEETING.

NO. 17—2:10 CLASS TROTTING, $20,000.

Entries Made Sept. 1, 1913.

F. E. Emlay and S. H. Norris, Santa Rosa, Cal., bl s Washington McKinney Jr. by Washington McKinney, dam Hazel Turk by Silas Skinner.
W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles, Cal., b f Esperanza by Carlokin, dam My Irene S. by Petigru.
R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton, Cal., b g The Earnest by The Exponent, dam Mardella by Del Mar.
W. T. Sesnon, San Francisco, Cal., b g San Felipe by Zombro, dam Ella J. by Bob Mason.
International 1:55 Horse Farm, Minneapolis, Minn., bl s Electric Patch by Dan Patch, dam Zella Directum by Directum.
A. L. Scott, San Francisco, Cal., ch m Mamie Alwin by Lord Alwin, dam Louise Carter by Chestnut Tom.
C. C. Watts, Charleston, W. Va., b c Mahomet Watts by General Watts, dam Alla 2:21½ by Palo Alto.
C. F. Silva, Sacramento, Cal., b g By Pass by Lijero, dam Camille by Stam B.
Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet, Cal., ch h Wilbur Lou by Kinney Lou, dam Louise Carter by Chestnut Tom.
I. L. Borden, San Francisco, Cal., b g Albaloma by Almaden D., dam Loma B. by Stam B.
A. R. Gumaer, Florence Colo., b c A. R. G. by Gumaer Hal, dam Claudia Chimes by Chimes.
F. L. McQuilty, Curran, Ill., b g John Mack by Geo. A. Fuller, dam Ida Purple by Cutting.
Sterling R. Holt, Indianapolis, Ind., b m Fleeta Dillon by Sidney Dillon, dam Hilda Hills by Wilkes Boy.
Gus Macey, Lexington, Ky., b m Mary Murphy by Baron Wilkes Jr., dam by Naiad King.
S. H. Cowell, Santa Cruz, Cal., b f Dione II by Cupid, dam Dione by Eros.
Prince Theodor Ysilanti, Ost-Heiermark, Austria, br s Allein by Freund Fritz, dam Arline by Noble Harold.

Entries Made April 1, 1914.

Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis, br h Hallmark by Walnut Hall, dam Hallie Simmons by Simmons.

Entries Made Jan. 2, 1915.

Alex Brown, Walnut Grove, Cal., b m Bonnie Ansel by Prince Ansel, dam Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby.
O. E. Folk, Riverside, Cal., b m Ho Tolus by Pactolus, dam Pocahontas Queen by Domineer.

NO. 33—2:06 CLASS PACING, $20,000.

Entries Made Sept. 1, 1913.

W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles, Cal., bl s Guy Borden by Guy Dillon, dam Carlotta Wilkes by Charlie Wilkes.
R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton, Cal., b s Frank Perry by Toddington, dam Lilworthy by Axworthy.
International 1:55 Horse Farm, Minneapolis, Minn., br s Dazzle Patch by Dan Patch, dam Renline by Online.
C. C. Watts, Charleston, W. Va., br h Twinkling Dan by Dan Patch, dam Twinkle 2:05¼ by Mercury.
D. A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D., b c Don Conomore by Don Densmore, dam Francona by Greystone.
E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg, Canada, b h The Beaver by Searchlight, dam Ripple.
C. F. Silva, Sacramento, Cal., bl c Black Bear by Teddy Bear, dam Polka Dot by Mendocino.
S. Watkins, Los Angeles, Cal., b m Little Berenice by Del Coronado, dam by Sky Pointer.
Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet, Cal., br g Hemet by Geo. W. McKinney, dam Lady Zombro by Zombro.
H. C. Ahlers, San Francisco, Cal., b m Sweet Princess by Prince McKinney, dam Arawanna B. by Sidney Dillon.
I. L. Borden, San Francisco, Cal., b g Loch Lomond by Zolock, dam Daisy McKinney by McKinney.
J. W. McClain, Monarch, Canada, b s Homer Mc by Petigru, dam Eagletta.
Jos. Carson, Winnipeg, Canada, bl h College Gent by Kentucky P., dam Belle H. by Senator Crisp.
L. C. Kinney, Bushnell, Neb., b c Impetuous Palmer by Impetuous Devil, dam Lilee Palmer by Norval King.
J. A. Randolph, Willows, Cal., b g Marlin by Dialect, dam Maud Wilkes by Clarence Wilkes.
S. H. Cowell, Santa Cruz, Cal., b s Oro Mo by Demonio, dam Hanora by Oro Wilkes.

Entries Made April 1, 1914.

J. C. Burkhalter, Maquon, Ill., Little Prince by George Muscovite, dam Little Princess.
A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City, Mo., br m Rose Equity by Equity, dam Anna Rose by Orphan Knight.

Entries Made Jan. 2, 1915.

Edward Peterson, Omaha, Neb., b g Hal Boy by Hal B., dam Altalena by Altamont.
Joe McGuire, Denver, Colo., ch g Red Rock by Louis Wilkes, dam Red Bird by E. S.
J. A. Young, Port Arthur, Tex., bl h Walnut Grove by Constantine, dam Lindis by Jackdaw.
T. P. McCormick, Mandan, N. D., m Gipsy Rex by Rex Guard, dam Gipsey Queen by Online.

FALL MEETING.

NO. 2—2:10 CLASS TROTTING, $20,000.

Entries Made Sept. 1, 1913.

W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles, Cal., b f Virginia Barnette by Moko, dam Zephyr by Zombro.
W. T. Sesnon, San Francisco, Cal., b g San Felipe by Zombro, dam Ella J. by Bob Mason.
R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton, Cal., b g The Earnest by The Exponent, dam Mardella by Del Mar.
International 1:55 Horse Farm, Minneapolis, Minn., bl s Electric Patch by Dan Patch, dam Zella Directum by Directum.
Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet, Cal., ch h Wilbur Lou by Kinney Lou, dam Louise Carter by Chestnut Tom.
Hugo Schmidt, Spokane, Wash., br m Sea Waif by The King Red, dam Sea Queen by Vice Regent.
I. L. Borden, San Francisco, Cal., b g Albaloma by Almaden D., dam Loma B. by Stam B.
A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo., b c A. R. G. by Gumaer Hal, dam Claudia Chimes by Chimes.
G. E. Light, Pilot Point, Tex., ch h Gov. Holford by Gov. Francis, dam Agnes Holford by Reno Baby.
F. L. McQuilty, Curran, Ill., b g John Mack by Geo. A. Fuller, dam Ida Purple by Cutting.
Sterling R. Holt, Indianapolis, Ind., b m Fleeta Dillon by Sidney Dillon, dam Hilda Hills by Wilkes Boy.
Gus Macey, Lexington, Ky., b m Mary Murphy by Baron Wilkes Jr., dam by Naiad King.
W. J. Cowan, Cannington, Canada, b m Tropic Dawn by Symboleer, dam by Allerton.

Entries Made Jan. 2, 1915.

Samuel Harris, Plymouth, Ill., ch h Axtien by Axworthy, dam Protien by Glenwold.

NO. 39—2:06 CLASS PACING, $20,000.

Entries Made Sept. 1, 1913.

W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles, Cal., bl s Guy Borden by Guy Dillon, dam Carlotta Wilkes by Charlie Wilkes.
R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton, Cal., b s Frank Perry by Toddington, dam Lilworthy by Axworthy.
International 1:55 Horse Farm, Minneapolis, Minn., br s Dazzle Patch by Dan Patch, dam Renline by Online.
E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg, Canada, b c The Beaver by Searchlight, dam Ripple.
S. Watkins, Los Angeles, Cal., b m Little Berenice by Del Coronado, dam by Sky Pointer.
Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet, Cal., br g Hemet by Geo. W. McKinney, dam Lady Zombro by Zombro.
I. L. Borden, San Francisco, Cal., b g Loch Lomond by Zolock, dam Daisy McKinney by McKinney.
J. W. McClain, Monarch, Canada, b c Patrick de Ooro by Copa de Oro, dam Easter D. by Diablo.
Jos. Carson, Winnipeg, Canada, bl h College Gent by Kentucky P., dam Belle H. by Senator Crisp.
L. C. Kinney, Bushnell, Neb., b c Impetuous Palmer by Impetuous Devil, dam Lilee Palmer by Norval King.
W. O. Foote, Bonham, Tex., bl h The Climax by Gov. Francis, dam Rilma Strong by Gov. Strong.

Entries Made April 1, 1914.

A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City, Mo., br m Rose Equity by Equity, dam Anna Rose by Orphan Knight.

Entries Made Jan. 2, 1915.

Edward Peterson, Omaha, Neb., b g Hal Boy by Hal B., dam Altalena by Altamont.
Joe F. McGuire, Denver, Colo., ch g Red Rock by Louis Wilkes, dam Red Bird by E. S.
J. A. Young, Port Arthur, Tex., bl h Walnut Grove by Constantine, dam Lindis by Jackdaw.

THE GRAND CIRCUIT FOR 1915.

That the Grand Circuit will provide its customary amount of racing in 1915 is evident from the dates allotted Tuesday at the meeting of the stewards at Detroit, racing being scheduled to begin at Cleveland on July 19th and close at Lexington October 16th. As was expected, Buffalo (Fort Erie) and Pittsburg claimed no dates this season, and Montreal has been admitted to the circuit to fill the vacancy, the Canadian city being granted two meetings of three days each in consecutive weeks, the provincial restrictions allowing only that amount of racing per week.

The dates on which the meetings commence and the places composing the circuit for the season are as follows: July 19th, Cleveland; July 26th, Detroit; August 2d, Kalamazoo; August 9th, Grand Rapids, Mich.; August 16th (three days), Montreal; August 23d (three days), Montreal; August 30th, Yonkers, N. Y.; September 6th, Hartford, Conn.; September 13th, Syracuse; September 20th, Columbus; September 27th, Columbus; October 4th, Lexington; October 11th, Lexington.

Press dispatches so far received convey only meager information concerning the session, and we are yet unaware of action taken on the proposed changes in the conduct of racing throughout the circuit, but that information will doubtless reach us for our next issue.

SAN FRANCISCO DRIVING CLUB MEETS.

On Tuesday evening of this week at Mission Hall a goodly quota of the membership of the San Francisco Driving Club assembled to "talk things over" and make up the slate for officers for the coming year. "Jimmie" J. Ryan, a two-termer as the head of the organization, flatly refused to Roosevelt himself and stand for election a third time, and on motion of Adolph Ottinger, George Giannini was chosen to fill Mr. Ryan's place. George has not as yet given official sanction to his candidacy, and in case of his request not to be forced to serve, Mr. Ottinger will be installed as chief director of the club's destinies. The balance of the ticket chosen is as follows: Jack Welsh, first vice-president; W. J. Kenney, second vice-president; James McGrath, third vice-president; Fred Lauterwasser Jr., secretary; Fred Lauterwasser, Sr., treasurer; William Malough, sergeant-at-arms; R. Consani, J. Tassi, Fred Clotere, Henry Campodonico and Harold Cohn, board of stewards.

The next meeting of the club will be held next Tuesday evening at the same place, when the formal election proceedings will take place. As there is no other ticket in the field the election will be merely a ratification of the work of the nominating meeting, and the event will be the official start of the club for the season of 1915, with the brightest prospects they have ever had.

At the same time the six trophies for the six leaders among the horses raced last year in the club's matinees will be awarded, and a general good time is anticipated, so members are urged to arrange their personal matters so that they may be on hand and share in the evening's enjoyment.

DEPLETED CONDITION OF FEEDLOTS.

Under normal conditions a deficiency in beef and mutton was unavoidable during the first half of the new year, but enforced cessation of the stock and feeder movement has created certainty of a series of bare spots, for which the only possible alleviation in the case of cattle is extensive feeding in the southwest, and in sheep supply from well filled feedlots in northern Colorado. During January buyers will have comparatively easy picking, as the infected area east of the Missouri river is still liquidating and in the case of cattle will not be contented until the present set has been disposed of. Just when it will be possible to install another is an insoluble problem.

No statistics concerning prospective supply of beef are available. In the case of live muttons the trade has a more lucid idea of what is in preparation, as the stocker movement is through well defined channels. Owing to the drouth in a large section of the cattle feeding area in 1914 winter operations would have been light in any case east of the Mississippi, roughage being scarce and corn high. It so happens that nature was lavish during 1914 where it displayed parsimony the previous year, consequently the southwest, especially Kansas, went into the winter full of feed and hungry for cattle. The year 1914 was a lean one in Kansas City territory, but 1915 promises adequate recompense. Every beef production section south of the Dakotas and west of the Missouri river will probably market more fat cattle during the first six months of 1915 than last year, but the main increase will be in Kansas and Oklahoma. Nebraska has been a free purchaser of stockers recently and Texas will do its usual volume of cake-feeding. The Texas beef output is largely controlled by range conditions, which are excellent.

But the major part of the beef supply of the first half of the year is produced in the corn-growing states east of the Missouri river, Iowa, Illinois and Missouri being the principal contributors. Since the appearance of foot-and-mouth disease only a handful of thin cattle has gone into Iowa and Missouri, and practically none has been moved east of the Mississippi. Had conditions been normal December receipts would have been meager.

In territory east of Chicago winter beefmaking has been all but suspended. In the Lancaster section of Pennsylvania there will be few cattle for the butcher during the coming season, western Pennsylvania has been ravaged and slaughterers in that quarter will not have access to many local cattle until Virginia's crop is ready, and that depends on the vernal season. Already numerous small eastern slaughtering plants have been free purchasers at Chicago, making a relatively high market for $7@8 steers, while better grades have had to beg bids.

Such states as Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and Kentucky are factors of no mean importance in the beef supply of the first half of the year and, like Illinois, all these have been cashing cattle recently, while none has been going in. Normally during November and December the whole region east of the Missouri river absorbs large numbers of stockers, but outside Missouri and western Iowa this traffic has been entirely suspended. For two months the major part of the beefmaking area of the United States has been liquidating while the replenishing process has been suspended.

In the case of sheep and lambs the prospect is little better. All last summer and fall, when the cornbelt states usually put in western stock, little was available and since November not enough feeders have been put in to supply the public with mutton for a week. Only in northern Colorado is winter feeding of normal volume and supply from that source will doubtless disappear early and imperceptibly.

How drastic is the pending clean-up of cattle within the infected area may be inferred from the fact that local butchers at interior points who, to insure a supply of beef, laid in cheap steers early in the season, have been returning these to market, as they can now buy cows at home. The proportion of cow stuff in the quarantine division at Chicago has been much larger than in the clean area, emphasizing the intention to dispose of everything for cash in preference to the possibility of buying it. That the replenishing process will be rapid when opportunity arrives needs no argument ,especially if the fat cattle market is equal to a good performance during the next 90 days. Meanwhile, great buying activity exists in the southwest, much of the trade in Texas stock cattle usually transacted in March having already been recorded at phenomenally high prices. Graziers realize that the task of filling pastures is to be both costly and difficult, and are taking time by the forelock.

The problem of the present is how the inevitable bare spot is to be bridged.—Breeders' Gazette.

Agents of the French government have been active buyers of army horses during the last several days in California, operating through E. Stewart & Co. of this city and other prominent dealers who are always closely in connection with the supply of marketable animals of the class desired. Prices ranging from $75 to $140 are reported as ruling the takings of the foreigners, who are drawing the color and age line and taking only serviceably sound horses. Several localities have been drawn upon for their quota of the number desired, and the various bands purchased are being assembled at the Miller & Lux ranch at Los Banos, whence shipment will be made to New York. The inspection has been under the supervision of Mr. Stewart, Dr. Preese of New York and the following agents of the French government: R. Parant, L. Moore and L. Lawregain

A JANUARY DAY AT PLEASANTON.

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up only enough for comfortable jogging nothing more was done with her until the boys began flocking in, when her tail got sat on a bit harder from work to work, miles coming her way in 2:13¼, 2:11¼, and her last work in 2:09½, when Ramage let up on her for the season, well satisfied with what he had. Incidentally she had stepped the last half of a 2:15½ mile in 1:03½. She is as clean as they make 'em, and George is not afraid to get on the back side of the track for fear of having to walk in, as she pulled him and another good stout hombre over 104 miles of Sonoma county roads in one day as a five-year-old. She is a daughter of Lecco 2:09¾ and out of a mare by Sidney Dillon.

The other member of the string is a dark chestnut filly, two years old, by Bon McKinney 2:24¼—Clara Mills, just nicely broken but able to show a forty gait at the trot. She is a well bodied baby and I got a jolt when George remarked that no filly had ever reminded him so much of his old pupil, Lou Dillon 1:58½, at the same age. As this lass had proportionately much greater bodily substance than had Lou Dillon in maturity I was a bit surprised until George told me that the first two-minute trotter was not characterized by the "waspiness" with which the majority of us are most familiar until after severe illness in her three- and four-year-old form. Thus do we learn.

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The Mizner youngsters and Will DeRyder's horses I didn't get to see, but better luck next time. I though I had Mr. Mizner, Jr., cornered Sunday, but when I looked for him he was cut from me, but the neighbors "passed me the office" that he and his father have some pretty good youngsters. The only way I will ever catch Will DeRyder will be to go 'way 'round and come in the grounds from the back side and see him first of all, as I have no luck "starting from the front" and trying to get to him; I tried it not once but two or three times but I would always manage to get hung up en route. He has among others, I know, the last year's Stadium pacers Mabel Dillon and Dicto, both of whom worked well before being let down for midwinter, and the trotting gelding purchased by George Lowery at the December sale, Spriggan by Baron McKinney 2:10¼, out of Helen Simmons 2:11¼ by Simmons 2:28, tracing on back through daughters of Sultan and Hambrino to grand old Alma Mater. Spriggan is a most attractive lad with a good bit of speed, a half in 1:04½ on the end of a 2:15 mile having been credited him prior to his sale.

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Two of the busiest people on the grounds are Frank and Marvin Childs, who are assembling a formidable bunch of speedy ones for the season's campaigns. I say "campaigns" instead of "campaign," as I have an idea that along toward racing time they will split the present string and each take a different route—and each of them can be depended on to bring home goodly slices of the money. Frank spent most of 1914 down the big lines east of the deserts, while Marvin was rolling up a record for winnings over the northwestern circuits.

The nucleus of the present stable was brought to Pleasanton early in the fall when Marvin wound up a campaign that had lasted from late in May, and included Hal Boy 2:06¼, Imbro 2:12¼, Jim Hill 2:09, Major By By 2:19¼, Tom Smith 2:11¼, Lizzie Dillon 2:15½, Sirius Pointer 2:15, and Valeen M. (2) 2:26. Hal Boy, whose winnings in excess of ten thousand dollars rank him fifth among the season's winning pacers and exerted in excess of a third of the influence needed to put his sire in second position in that individual compilation, won sixteen races out of eighteen starts in 1914, and is a remarkable horse. He is not a big lad, but he is "all horse" and looks fit as a fiddle and shows small sign of the battles he has waged. He is entered in the big stakes at both meetings at the P.-P. I. E. and it is my guess that he will be "there or thereabout" when the summaries are cast up, barring untoward accident, while the other members of the bunch that get starts in the class races promise to be just as hard to beat, as they have every one shown epeed considerably in excess of their present eligibility records. Sirius Pointer is owned by H. H. Boomer of Spokane, Lizzie Dillon by Charles Bowman of Walla Walla, Imbro and Jim Hill by Daniel Anderson of Portland, and Hal Boy, Major By By and Tom Smith by Ed Peterson of Omaha.

The next important addition to the stable was made on Frank's arrival from Phoenix, where he had purchased for the account of Mr. Peterson the chestnut mare Loe Blossom 2:10½ by Lepide—Lillian W. by Harry Hontas. The mare is well behaved in company, in excellent condition, and before purchase worked the Phoenix track in six and a fraction. She is pointed for the big trots, so Mr. Peterson and the Childs family will be well represented at the exposition meeting. Since I saw the mare at Phoenix she has added flesh and her color is richer, lending a good deal to her appearance.

The later additions are Bluefinch by Spokane 2:15¾, a product of Brook Nook Ranch owned by W. J. Cooney of Butte, and R. H. C. 2:18½ by Fal, owned by Wm. Holbrook of Helena. These lads have as yet had only easy jogging and Frank and Marvin have no first-hand information as to their capacities, but speak well of their apparent natural inclinations. Some time this week or in the immediate future the other great Hal B. pacer Haltamont 2:05¼ is expected to join the stable, as owner Frank Anderson had sent out word to "look out below," so there will be no lack of speed in the Childs stable for 1915.

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Messrs. James Sutherland and Fred Chadbourn, as father- and son-in-law make a mighty harmonious pair, as you generally see 'em both if one is around, or at any rate that is my experience with them. At any rate they deliver the goods jointly when it comes to speed merchandising, and at their stables in the rear of the Rose Hotel they have gotten together a dozen head of the kind that bring in something besides excuses when the season is over in the fall. Zoetrix and Zorene, both by Zolock 2:05¼ (recently exported to Russia) and out of the great mares Trix by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ and My Irene S. 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½ not only have a great inheritance but possess the speed itself. Zoetrix worked in 2:06½ in 1914 and stood third in the summary of Clara Mac's Santa Rosa race in 2:05¼, 2:06¼, 2:06½, finishing 7-3-2, so that she evidently had the "stickability," while Zorene won a world of favor by her performance, her fastest winning heat being in 2:10¼. Harold C. 2:11½ by Bon Voyage 2:08, dam by Silver Bow, and Bon Cres (3) 2:10¼ by Bon Voyage, dam Kate Kopje by Cresceus 2:02¼, are a pair that will do to tie to for the trots, as will the black horse Vallejo King 2:10¼ by General John B. Frisbie—Reinette by Dexter Prince. Bon Cres was a slow grower but growth and speed came together in his case and he will make a horse of very nice size. He is owned by J. J. Campbell of Pasadena and there are two more in the stable closely related to him, the three-year-old filly Mabel Bond and the two-year-old colt Great Bond, both trotters, both by The Bondsman, and both out of Kate Kopje, who is yet a young mare with an apparently great future. Red Patch, a three-year-old colt by Joe Patchen II, trialed on the pace in 2:20 last year, and is out of Trix McAdrian 2:23¼ (who is herself a member of the present training string and a slick going pacer at that) by McAdrian, while the other great sidewheeler of the MacKenzie stable, Vernon McKinney 2:01½, is represented by the two-year-old pacer Verna McKinney, out of Ramona by Demonio, a nick that ought to be productive. Another pacer with good previous work to his credit is A. B. C. by Humboldt Dillon, dam by Dudley, that worked in 2:09¼ in 1914, and the even dozen is rounded out by a dandy weanling, or rather yearling, colt named Flicker, by The Proof and out of Rose Trix by Corbitt's Rose, second dam Trix by Nutwood Wilkes. This is a nice lot of things to work on, and Pa Jim and Son Fred will get some good ones from the bunch—just leave that to them, without bothering your head a bit.

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Bert Webster is on deck with his customary stable of good youngsters, headed by the Jay McGregor stallion Onward McGregor (3) 2:23¼, owned by J. N. Colomb of San Francisco and Louisiana. This lad trotted quarters as a yearling but was tangled up in a jam caused by a flying switch en route to San Francisco on his trip west, and both he and his dam were considerably bunged up, the latter badly so. Last year he had gotten far enough along the road to recovery to mark in 2:23¼ and this year he will be prepared for a campaign following a limited stud season. Through Mary Gordon 2:09¾ he traces back to Shadow, grandam of J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08 and Peter the Great 2:07¼, so he is bred right to possess and sire both speed and individuality.

A likely pair of pacers in the string are Pedlar Direct and Starrina, owned by Mr. A. W. Longley of Chicago, whose California ranch holdings near Bishop, Inyo county, are extensive. Pedlar Direct is a four-year-old brown horse by Baron Direct (sire of the great pacer Braden Direct 2:01½, etc.), and out of a daughter of Pedlar 2:18½, a son of Electioneer bred at Palo Alto, while Starrina is a six-year-old son of Star Pointer 1:59¼ and Friskerina 2:13¼ by Sable Wilkes 2:18. Frank Perry (1) 2:15, the champion yearling pacer, has had a hard luck career in the past but looks like a cheap horse at the price he cost his new owners and will probably win them some money, while a youngster that recalls a good one of days gone by is Fresno Bond, a two-year-old colt by The Bondsman from Fresno Girl 2:10¼. The stable also includes three youngsters bred by Bert and George Ryan, the produce of Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon to the cover of Joe Patchen II 2:03¼, The Bondsman and Frank Perry (1) 2:15, the resultant foal of the last mating being one of the most attractive yearlings at the track. Miss Harris is a blind mare, but that handicap in no way seems to interfere with her qualities as a matron, or with her chances for becoming the head of a fast family of race goers. [Neal.]

STATE QUARANTINE AGAINST HOOF AND MOUTH DISEASE.

A sweeping quarantine order prohibiting the importation into California from all but sixteen states of cattle, swine and sheep, was issued on Monday by Governor Hiram Johnson.

The states excepted are: Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Utah, Arizona, Colorado, New Mexico, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Minnesota, Arkansas and Louisiana.

The proclamation is a modification of the original "blanket" quarantine, and was issued following representations made to the Governor by State Veterinarian Charles Keene, that importation of live stock from uninfected states would not endanger California stock.

In the meantime, the fight against the disease in the areas where it first appeared is going steadily onward, and it is the belief of those in charge of quarantine and eradication proceedings that the outbreak has been effectually checked and that the costly malady will be wiped out entirely. The method of checking its spread by putting infected herds under ground has been drastic and expensive not only to individual owners but to state and federal governments as well, but no matter what the present cost of extermination of the disease may be, it is insignificant when compared to the future saving made to the nation at large, and the only sane view to take of the situation is this, that the hoof and mouth disease in America not merely can be, but must be stamped out. The inconvenience and loss to California stockmen and the public through the temporary quarantine is absolutely nothing alongside the damage that would accrue from the introduction of a single infected animal onto one of our ranches or ranges or into a beef corral, and the quarantine proclaimed by Governor Johnson is emphatically in the interest of all Californians in the long run.

Commenting on the situation in the central west the Breeders Gazette says, in part, that very few new outbreaks occurred last week. Trouble from milk from a creamery in Kane county is the most serious event in northern Illinois. The chief complaint now is that delay occurs in slaughter and especially in disinfecting farms. The ground has been so deeply frozen that dynamite was required in excavating some trenches. The demand from farmers for more expeditious work in disinfection will likely bring results. In some sections they are offering to do the work under direction of a Federal inspector, and in other sections they have demanded such exorbitant wages for such work that the Federal inspectors have declined to employ them.

The Federal inspector in charge of the trouble in Kane county and the three or four adjoining counties in Illinois believes that no further outbreaks will occur in that section. He states that but for the co-operation of prominent men in Aurora and vicinity the epidemic would have been more severe. He had much difficulty in securing day-laborers because they were not inclined to wait sixty or ninety days for their pay. He conferred with William George, John Alexander, H. J. Cooper, D. W. Simpson and E. S. Todd, and they told him to employ all the men needed and they would provide the necessary funds and await reimbursement from the Government. In this manner the outbreaks at Oswego, in Kendall county, and Kaneville, Elburn and Batavia in Kane county, were handled with reasonable promptness. This same inspector advises us that in his twenty years in the Department of Agriculture work he never labored in a section where the farmers gave him such efficient co-operation as in the Sugar Grove section in Kane county. If a similar spirit had been manifested by bankers, business men and farmers in every affected community we should have seen the end of the disease ere this.

In the last several lines just preceding there is sounded a note that gets right next to the hide of a great many growers of livestock. For so many years there have been so many breeders and farmers who have gone on in the same old rut of "feed 'em and water 'em and they'll do the rest," that a jolt like the country has just received will have a most salutary effect upon the future conduct of the livestock business in general, as much more attention will be paid to herd health. Fortunately these remarks apply to a minority of stockmen of today, as the most of them have learned that hog cholera, scab, fever ticks, tuberculosis, blackleg and other costly animal ills are not mere "dispensations of providence" to be faced resignedly and with much reviling of "their luck," but are merely natural ailments to which flesh is heir and for which there are remedies and preventatives. In this day and age it is not the boss beef or pork or mutton feeder that makes the stockman his real profits, but the man who eliminates the loss and needless waste from the ravages of disease and winter poverty.

If the foot and mouth outbreak can bring this right home to every stockman in America its coming will not have been an unalleviated hardship, and the meat famine bugaboo will in future years stalk less starkly about the land.

WASHINGTON STATE FAIR ON SOUND BASIS.

Olympia, Wash., Dec. 30.—The advisory board of the state department of agriculture received today the report of Commissioner H. T. Graves on the state fair held last September at North Yakima, showing that the fair this season was able to strike a balance for the first time.

The report shows that the receipts of the fair, including $3,454 that was left of the biennial appropriation made by the 1913 legislature, totaled $25,171, while the expenditures totaled $25,872.

The apparent deficit of $701 was wiped out by small bank balances carried over from the previous year. The report shows that there are outstanding obligations at this time of $538, with bills payable and cash on hand totaling $658, which apparently leaves a small balance.

The many friends of Mr. S. S. Bailey will be pleased to learn that he is recovering steadily after his long siege with cold and pneumonia, and that he hopes soon to be able to leave his confining quarters in Portland and come to Pleasanton to superintend the fitting of his horses for the campaign of 1915.

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BUILDING A CABIN IN THE WOODS.

Different people have different ideas of an outing, but for my part I find the greatest pleasure in an outing in the very heart of the wilderness, in the midst of the woods, with wild game about me, and fish abounding in the brook that runs along the ravine below my cabin.

Anyone, with similar tastes, can find the spot he desires, for there are plenty of such retreats in the mountains of Washington, Oregon and California, where wild land, unsuitable for agriculture, may be purchased for a trifling sum.

From the moment I made up my mind to acquire such a retreat for my annual outings, I experienced immense joy in the planning and the execution of the plans, as well as in the actual possession of a cosy cabin in my nook, where I can enjoy the simple life, close to nature.

Having found a forty-acre tract of woodland, accessible only over a rough mountain trail, about ten miles from the nearest railroad and six from the nearest county road, the next thing to do was to build my cabin.

All that I wanted was a snug hut, of two rooms, with a big open fireplace, close to the living spring that was on the place, pouring forth delicious, clear, cold water the year round.

Most of the materials were right at hand. There were fir trees of every size, and in the brook, as well as in various spots elsewhere, were plenty of rocks for fireplace and other purposes. Hardware, kindows, doors and some boards for the floors were all that I had to buy.

The cabin consists of two rooms, each 12 by 14 feet, with a door at the end of one and at the side of the other. It is built of logs, the roof being made of shakes, cut from neighboring fir trees.

The first thing to be done was to mark, after careful measurement, the corners of the cabin, seeing that the sides were at right angles to each other. Next, heavy rocks were placed securely in the ground at each corner, care being taken that the rocks should rest steadily, without shaking or slipping under the heaviest weights.

Next the underpinning, consisting of long, stout timbers, were placed upon the rocks, forming the floor sills. These latter were then notched to receive the floor timbers, which were placed two feet apart, and smoothed on the upper side, to receive the floor planks that were purchased from a sawmill ten miles away, and, with the doors, windows and hardware, packed in on a sled, over the trail.

Next, at each corner a temporary post was erected, carefully plumbed, as a guide in laying the logs for the walls.

This latter operation was not so simple as might appear, for each log had to be carefully sized and fitted to its neighbors, and doors and windows had to be allowed for in the construction, as well as the chimney.

The walls were made 7 feet high from floor to eaves, with a roof placed at such an angle that rain would quickly run off, and snow slide off as soon as it began to melt; the latter being an important consideration, for the weight of snow is great and it subjects the whole structure to a heavy strain.

The shakes were made easily from a carefully selected fir tree, and the roof, when completed, was watertight everywhere. The walls were calked, between the logs, with the moss which is plentiful in the mountains, and the rooms were quite tight.

Building the chimney was the hardest job of the whole thing. The rocks had to be of a certain kind, the kind that would not crack at the first big heat. Many rocks looked fine, but they were brittle and split up even when a light bonfire was build upon them. For the bottom of the fireplace and the hearth,, largs rocks were used, but for the chimney itself, medium sized or small rocks were selected, on the principle that if a rock cracked, it had better be a small one, that would not materially affect the rest of the chimney by its breaking, instead of a large one, that might cause the whole structure to collapse. Two flat iron bars were bent and used for the arch of the fireplace. A rod of iron was extended across the fireplace, from which kettles could be suspended for heating water and cooking.

Instead of cement or mortar, I used the sticky blue mud that was found near the spring. It was excellent, being very adhesive, and when dry was as hard as rock. In fact, I was sorry afterwards that I did not build the whole chimney of this mud.

When completed, the cabin was as cosy as one would want. Skins of animals lay upon the floor or were hung upon the walls. At the end of one room was a frieze of squirrel, skunk and rabbit skins. Foxes, deer and raccoons, and a wildcat, gave their skins to the cabin's embellishment and warmth. Deer antlers were placed over the fireplace and around the eaves. The big logs blazing on the fireplace, and the rough rafters overhead combined with the firearms, the skins and other trophies of the hunt to give the place a suitable atmosphere. The furniture was all rustic, made of the small trees on the place, the tables being topped with boards left over from the floors and doors. Empty boxes, in which groceries had arrived, were utilized for cupboards and shelves, twigs being nailed to them outside, to harmonize with the general rustic effect.

An extra sleeping room, for summer use, as an outdoor sleeping apartment, was made by driving two posts into the ground, putting saplings across them and also from them to the cabin, and then covering this frame with branches of fir trees.

The total cost of material bought for this cabin, including hardware, doors, window, planks for floors, and all, was less than $30.

The tools needed were an axe, hammer, hatchet, broad axe, chisel, plane, spirit-level, plumb, and a frow for making shakes. A crowbar is often useful and so is a wheelbarrow, for wheeling up the rocks, but for the latter purpose I used a small sled made on the spot.

Attention should be paid to having everything square and level. Uprights must be perpendicular and horizontals true. In estimating for the number of boards needed, it must be remembered that a number must be placed across the rafters to support the shakes.

There are manifold details in building a log cabin which must be learned by experience. Too much care cannot be taken in making measurements. Do not trust to the eye. Use a tape measure. Some amateurs, building their first cabin, neglect to peel the logs, with the result that as the logs dry the bark splits and falls off, making dirt and giving a slovenly effect. Besides, the bark, if left on, is a breeding place for insects.

If a piece of piping can be had, it is not necessary to build a rock chimney all the way up. Simply build the fireplace of rocks, and then put the chimney pipe on top of this.

If the spring is at a distance from the house, and above its level, the water can be easily brought to the cabin through a small flume. It may be brought right to the door by this means.

If the cabin is to be occupied during the winter or rainy season, a woodshed should be built, in order that dry firewood, enough at least for starting fires, may be constantly on hand.

In such a haven of rest as that described, genuine recreation may be had. From the early morning to the last flicker of the fire or candles at night, there is unalloyed pleasure for those who love the freedom of the forest, the life-giving atmosphere of the pines, and the liberation from the noise, cares and other annoyances of urban existence.

INDIAN DOGS.

Who that has ever visited an encampment on an Indian reservation has not been struck with the number of half-starving, snarling, growling curs that slink in and out among the tepees and lodges? There was a reason for their existence once, but their use to the Red Man is now purely imaginary, excepting in the Far North, where they are used for transporting supplies to outposts and police stations and hauling furs into the forts and trading posts.

The Indian dog in the early days was a cross between the wolf and the Eskimo dog. Today, in the north, this type stands out prominently; but in the warmer regions, where horses are used by the red men, every breed of dog is to be found. They have an emaciated, hungry, half-starved appearance, and are a pest to travelers and settlers. Calves, lambs, barn-fowl, and even small children have often fallen prey to these marauders that prowl about at all hours of the day, or night. One settler records that one of his first ranching reverses was the loss of half of his range calves by depredations on them by these savage brutes. In the long ago dogs were the only beasts of burden the Indian had. Students of Indian life tell us that the horse is a comparatively recent importation. Butler, in "The Great Lone Land," says that as late as 1776 the Indians of our western prairies remembered that their horses had been procured from white people who lived to the southward. These were likely Spanish colonists in New Mexico and Texas. It is evident from the Indian language that the red men did not always possess the horse as a beast of burden. A comparison of the words for horse used by the Indians will make this plain. In Cree a horse is Mis-ta-Tim (the big dog); in Assinaboine, Sho-a-thin-ga (a great dog); in Blackfoot, Po-no-ka-mi-taa (the red deer dog). The Sarcees' term for horse is Chistle (seven dogs), while the Gros Ventres call him It-shou-ma-shun-gu (red dog). It is manifest, therefore, that the wild men of the Northwest looked upon the horse as a newcomer, and their reference to him in the dog language of their tribe would indicate that the animal used as a beast of burden before the Indians became equestrian in their habits was the dog.

Transportation of baggage, even after horses became numerous, was performed by dogs. Horses were kept for hunting buffalo. In winter dogs were harnessed with bands of buffalo hide and hitched to sleds and toboggans which carried the loads. In summer, and in winter when there was little or no snow, the dogs were tackled to two straight poles about 15 feet long, fastened together at one end, at the other spread about 8 feet apart. Where the poles are lashed together at the ends several folds of dressed buffalo skins, which answer for a saddle, are fastened and laid directly on the dog's shoulders. A strip of leather attached to this is brought round the dog's neck and made fast again at the meeting of the poles. Then a hoop is laid across the poles a little behind the dog's rump and interwoven closely with leather thongs, and upon this the burden is laid. The contrivance is called a travois. Often horses are tackled in the same manner, the poles being as long as 25 feet.

In the North Country, where all the transportation of supplies and mail is by dog train, the animals are generally of the wolf breed, and are said to be vigorous and long-winded. "Huskies" is the name usually applied to them. A hundred miles a day is a common journey for them. The endurance of the little creatures is something remarkable. A story is told of a clerk driving out 25 miles from a trading post with a dog team, who was immediately sent back to the post. Hurriedly preparing a packet, he dispatched an Indian driver with the same dogs back to the party he had left on the trail, and the outfit arrived before his friends were up in the morning. The dogs had thus run 75 miles in a good deal under the 24 hours. When the half-breeds settled in the northern part of the Great West they put out poison for wolves and foxes, and the Indian dogs in large numbers were killed by it. Thus a very important mode of winter transportation was lost to the red men. This practice was stopped, however, and the dogs soon multiplied to their former number.

In bygone days the emulation among Indians for dogs as runners was so great that all their hard earnings were spent on them and the tawdry paraphernalia required to ornament a first-rate train was as expensive as it was foolish. The squaw might go without her blanket, but the buck must have his dogs and the dogs their scarlet ribbons and their bells. The Royal Northwest Mounted Police in the Far North are using Indian dogs on their patrols. These are not bred in the posts of the police, but are purchased from the natives when young for a mere trifle, and trained by the Indian scouts and drivers of the force. The price for an ordinary husky in the Land of the Midnight Sun is about twenty-five dollars, and a recent police report tells that three dogs were sold for fifty dollars each. The police are using over 100 of these Indian dogs in their work in the North. The cost of keeping a team of four dogs is from $300 to $400 a year, and in some cases more than this. If it were not for Indian dogs in the Northland there would be little need of the police. Nearly all rows, we are told, are over dogs. Thompson, in his tales of his travels, tells of starting out on one occasion with Indians and dogs, when the snow was so deep that the huskies had to fairly swim and haul the heavy sleigh. One of the Indian drivers became vexed with the conduct of his lead dog and beat him to death. The incident delayed the expedition, and was almost the cause of bloodshed in the camp. The Indian was ordered out for mutinous behavior and handed over to the police. Many cases could be cited where shooting has followed scraps over the "huskie" dog.

The dogs of the red man were a source of great annoyance to travelers, and are yet. Palliser, a noted traveler, tells that one morning, starting from camp, his party saw an Indian dog that was a notorious thief actually poke his nose into a kettle as it was boiling on the fire and take out a piece of meat. The pests could not be kept out of the pallisades at the forts and trading posts, where the nuisance of their presence was almost beyond endurance. They were the terror of every woman and child after dark. One could hardly step from one door to another without being interrupted by them, and, worst of all, they made a kennel of the place and in wet weather the stench was unbearable. Henry, an old explorer, in an interesting account of how buffalo were captured in pounds, relates that here and there, among the branches and interwoven twigs of the buffalo fall, the Indians left openings large enough for dogs to pass through ,that they might feed on the carcasses of the bulls. He remarks that what appeared to him an extraordinary thing was that, when the signal of the approach of the buffalo was given, the dogs would skulk away to hiding till the herd was safely impounded. It was a feast time for the curs, and they had the good sense to stay away till the feast was ready.

It is roughly estimated that today there are from three to five dogs to every Indian family on Western reservations. They are in the main useless, but the Indian is not satisfied if he has not a half-dozen following him to the trading post where he does his buying and selling. Dog fights on the streets of the town are common. It has been found impossible to exclude them, and to shoot them is a costly undertaking for any municipality. And so the pest of the Indian dog is inflicted upon white neighbors of the reservations, and probably will be as long as there are Indians and Indian dogs.—Rev. W. McD. Tait, in "Sports Afield."

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

THE AMERICAN PIT BULL TERRIER.

Some truths have become established and generally recognized. One is that while money will buy the best automobile, it requires brains to breed and develop the best looking dog. In city parks or along fashionable boulevards a tip top dog nowadays attracts more attention than the most expensive automobile, and man or woman, whether on foot or in a car, has the satisfaction of knowing and feeling that in all the world there is not another dog just like his. It is this pride in possession, that exclusiveness, that has in the past made men want to own a good Bull Terrier, and until human nature changes there will be a demand for this kind of dog. Men who go away from home to their business and leave loved ones at home, can go with a light heart for they have something in the house that will lay down its life for them. Sundays we go out in the country to get a breath of good air and on the road we see a cosy, shady place. Whether we have a team or a car, we don't want to leave it for fear we would find everything gone. But if we have a good Pit Bull Terrier we can have a good time, for he will be on the job.

You need have no fear of losing your best robe and a lot of merchandise when out shopping if you have a good dog in your car. A Pit Bull Terrier is a thing worth his keep, and a good safe playmate for the little folks. He is your friend and your pocketbook is another. Don't forget it.

The following suggestion is by R. G. Shute in the Pacific Kennel Gazetteer:

"Owing to the increasing popularity of the Pit Bull Terrier for show purposes and as companions, beg to offer the following for the fanciers and general public, trusting to enlighten those who wish to know a noble dog. For some years they have been breeding to an accepted standard, and the specimens they are showing are as near to that standard as the majority of winners in other breeds, and more particularly so than some of the breeds of later origin. We claim a breed that will reproduce as to kind, and this fact is materially helped by some of them being able to register on their own breeding, i. e., the three necessary generations have been bred by them. The dogs being shown by them are easily recognized and can be fairly judged from the standard adopted and which reads as follows:

Head—Of medium length, skull flat, widest at ears. Prominent cheeks and forehead free from wrinkles.

Stop—Well defined. Indenture not too deep.

Muzzle—Square and wide as viewed from the front, presenting a round appearance as viewed from above. Underjaw strong and well defined.

Lips—To meet closely and evenly all around, not running too far back, with an entire absence of any lippiness.

Teeth—Strong, clean, sound, meeting evenly.

Nose—Black nostrils, wide and open.

Neck—Slightly arched, tapering from shoulders to head, free from any looseness of skin.

Shoulders—Strong, muscular, shoulder blades wide and sloping back.

Back—Short, strong and muscular, higher at withers than hips, slightly arched at loin, which should be well developed and slightly tucked.

Ribs—Well sprung, close together.

Chest—Deep from withers to brisket. Wide from front to back ribs. Not too broad as viewed facing the dog.

Tail—Of medium length in comparison to size, set in low, wide where it joins the body and tapering. Not to be carried over the back.

Legs—To have large round bone, and strong, straight (upward) upright pasterns, reasonably straight without semblance of bow.

Thighs — Long, muscle well developed. Hock straight, well let down, turning neither in nor out as viewed from behind.

Feet—Of moderate size, toes of medium length, well arched and close together. Pad strong and nails short.

Gait—Springy and active, without roll or pace.

Coat—Short, close, stiff to the touch and with fine gloss.

Color—Uniform, any color permissible, markings not objectionable.

Weight—Not important, preferably between 24 and 56 pounds.

Eyes—Round, black or hazel color. As seen from the front they should be situated low down in the skull, as far from the ears as possible, with corners in a line at right angles with stop, as wide apart as possible, to be within line of cheek as viewed from the front.

Ears—To be cropped (cropping not essential in puppies in show, as the texture of ear may not be right for cropping). Straight, of moderate length, held erect.

Some judges have tried to dope the breeding of this breed. At one show in the north the judge took them on the lines of an English Bull Terrier. The unfairness of this can be easily seen from the above standard. From a canvass of western fanciers of other breeds the large majority of them are in favor of recognition of this breed, as the breeders of the Pit Bull have stood their ground for a number of years and continued to breed and import with no encouragement from the majority of the Kennel Clubs. The Ladies' Kennel Association of Southern California, the Pasadena Kennel Club and the Bayside Kennel Club of Venice have given this breed their endorsement and hearty support for which the breeders of the Pit Bull are truly grateful, and trust the fancy will support their matches by making as large entries as possible. It is not denied that you see a vast difference of type in this breed at our shows, but no more so than in some other breeds, which is especially true of the English Bulldog, some of which you would scarcely recognize as belonging to that breed.

With the adoption of a recognized standard and consistent breeding we will soon have as distinct a type as any breed now shown.

A BIG TRAP SHOOT COMING OFF.

The proposed "Twentieth Anniversary Celebration" in honor of Mr. Fred Gilbert has proved one of the most popular moves ever advanced in trapshooting circles. From all sections of the country the DuPont Powder Company officials, who originated the idea and have it in charge, are receiving congratulations from individual shooters and gun clubs in a manner that is most gratifying to themselves, and to Mr. Gilbert.

Mr. Tom A. Marshall, captain of the famous team which back in 1901 invaded the British Isles and swept everything before them, returning to this country undefeated, writes that he is heartily in accord with this idea to thus honor his old team mate, and one of the men who was a mainstay on the invading team.

Mr. James C. Ludlum, president of the Baltimore Shooting Association, Baltimore, Md., where Mr. Gilbert made his initial bow to the shooting world, writes that he thinks his club, if any in the country, is entitled to hold a "Fred Gilbert Anniversary Shoot," and he makes application for one of the Fred Gilbert cups. Of course, it will be sent them. It will be remembered that the famous Capt. James R. Malone is connected with this organization, and the captain was one of Mr. Gilbert's competitors for premier honors twenty years ago. It is also worthy of note that the Baltimore Shooting Association is one of the oldest, if not the oldest, shooting organization in the country, having been organized in 1879, under the name of the Baltimore Gun Club, and in 1903 changed its name to the Baltimore Shooting Association. [The California Wing Club was organized in 1871.—Ed.]

Mr. Geo. F. Shea, manager, Billings Rod and Gun Club, Billings, Mont., on behalf of his club, makes application for the privilege of holding a "Fred Gilbert Anniversary Shoot."

Mr. J. E. Webster of St. Joseph, Mo., who started in the shooting game with Mr. Gilbert and has known him for a quarter of a century, is enthusiastic over the proposed manner of honoring his old friend, and says St. Louis will pull off a big "Fred Gilbert Shoot."

Mr. Louis Lautenslager, of the Herron Hill Gun Club, Pittsburgh, Pa., another club famous in trapshooting history, having been chartered in 1888, is anxious for information regarding the "Fred Gilbert Anniversary Shoots," as his club would like to assist in honoring Mr. Gilbert.

From Kansas City several prominent trapshooters have sent word through Mr. D. D. Cross that they consider this method of showing Mr. Gilbert his company's appreciation of his services and at the same time arranging matters so that Mr. Gilbert's friends throughout the country have an opportunity of taking part in the celebration is one of the most sportsmanlike demonstrations that could be furnished.

Many prominent sportsmen in North Dakota asked the DuPont representative in that State, Mr. J. E. Dickey, to convey to his company their best wishes for both the company and Mr. Gilbert, and to say that the move was entirely in keeping with the past record of both, and would not be forgotten by the sportsmen of America for many years.

From Clarksdale, Mass., Mr. J. H. Hooks, secretary of the Clarksdale Gun Club, writes that they are most anxious to assist in making the "Fred Gilbert Anniversary Shoot" a grand testimonial in honor of Iowa's foremost citizen.

Space does not permit of the publishing of but a few of the enthusiastic and appreciative responses that have been received, but judging by the number and character of the unsolicited communications in the hands of the DuPont Powder Company, the affair is crystallizing into one grand national celebration in honor of the most popular and best known figures the trapshooting game has ever known, Fred Gilbert, "The Wizard of Spirit Lake."

This great trapshooting event will be known as the "Fred Gilbert Twentieth Anniversary Celebration."

Some time during the month of March Mr. Gilbert will be entertained in Wilmington, Delaware, by the DuPont Powder Company. On the date appointed there will be a 100 target trapshooting event at the DuPont Trapshooting Club, to which will be invited every trapshooter desirous of attending. In the evening of this date a banquet will be arranged in honor of Mr. Gilbert who will be the guest of honor, and to which local trapshooters, members and officials of The Interstate Association and others will be invited.

It is not the intention to confine participation in the "Fred Gilbert Twentieth Anniversary Shoot" solely to those who find it convenient to visit Wilmington, Delaware, on the date the event is staged there. Every club throughout the country, especially those which Mr. Gilbert has visited and shot at during the last twenty years, are extended a special invitation to assist in making this the greatest celebration ever given in honor of a trapshooter, and in fact, ever known in the history of trapshooting.

In honor of the occasion the DuPont Powder Company has arranged with a prominent jewelry concern to manufacture a special trophy cup, one side of which portrays in relief Mr. Gilbert in shooting position, while the reverse is engraved "Fred Gilbert DuPont Twentieth Anniversary Shoot, 1895-1915," and these cups will be sent to all gun clubs applying for same and which will hold a "Fred Gilbert Shoot" during the week of March 13 to 20, both dates inclusive. Clubs applying for these cups must agree to hold a 100 target event on one day during this period, at which 10 or more shooters will compete, and the cup will be awarded on any plan agreeable to the club. The cup will be finally awarded at this shoot. Fully 500 clubs are expected to hold "Fred Gilbert Anniversary Shoots" and figuring on the most conservative basis of an average of 15 shooters at each club, it will mean that 7,500 shooters throughout the country will assist in doing honor to a man long known and loved by thousands as "The Wizard of Spirit Lake." A record of each shoot and all contestants will be kept, and it is hoped that some future historian when writing the story of Mr. Gilbert's connection with the trapshooting game which he has so long graced will find space to give a full account of the affair.

That trapshooters and gun clubs in general will approve of this move to render fitting tribute to one of the greatest figures in the trapshooting game goes without saying, and no doubt much keen and friendly rivalry will be developed by the contests for the anniversary cups.

Aside from the fact that this affair will give the DuPont Powder Company an opportunity of publicly expressing their appreciation of the long and faithful services of the dean of their shooting representatives, and his many, many friends throughout the country one more opportunity of shooting with him "in spirit if not in person," the "Fred Gilbert Twentieth Anniversary Shoot" should, from a publicity standpoint, do much for the grand old game of trapshooting, and secure for it from the daily press the recognition it has so long and so richly deserved.

TRAPSHOOTING AVERAGES FOR 1914.

Pittsburg, Pa., January 2, 1915.—Herewith is The Interstate Association's list of amateur and professional trapshooting averages for 1914, with names of contestants, total number of targets scored and percentages.

The averages for both amateurs and professionals are based on a minimum of 2,000 targets, as per The Interstate Association's ruling to that effect. The scores made at the tournament given at Fulton, Ky., August 7, are not included in the list, as the club holding said tournament failed to live up to its agreement covering registration.

The averages for double targets are computed on The Interstate Association tournaments only, and they are based on taking part in two tournaments as a minimum, as per The Interstate Association's ruling to that effect.

Amateur Averages For Single Targets.

Name and Address.	St. at	Bk.	Pct.
Henderson, Woolfolk, Lexington, Ky	2,050	1,981	.9663
Huntley, S. A., Omaha, Neb	7,820	7,548	.9652
King, R. A., Delta, Colo	3,505	3,374	.9626
Lewis, Bart, Auburn, Ill	3,550	3,414	.9616
Hoon, W. S., Jewell, Ia	4,950	4,734	.9563
Newcomb, Chas. H., Philadelphia, Pa	3,985	3,808	.9555
Behm, Walter S., Esterly, Pa	3,645	3,483	.9555
Ridley, Wm., What Cheer, Ia	3,050	2,907	.9531
Bruns, R. H., Brookville, Ind	3,650	3,468	.9501
Livingston, J. R., Springville, Ala	2,075	1,968	.9484
Jones, W. H., Macon, Ga	2,300	2,181	.9482
Wright, F. S., South Wales, N. Y	3,865	3,646	.9433
Graper, F. A., Custer Park, Ill	2,650	2,498	.9426
Foord, Wm., Wilmington, Del	2,150	2,023	.9409
Noel, J. H., Nashville, Tenn	2,825	2,654	.9394
Kennicot, H., Evanston, Ill	4,400	4,131	.9388
White, J. P., Watertown, S. Dak	3,250	3,050	.9384
Heil, Allen, Allentown, Pa	2,995	2,810	.9382
Richardson, A. B., Dover, Del	2,500	2,345	.9380
Troeh, F. M., Vancouver, Wash	2,430	2,278	.9374
Jahn, Jno. R., Davenport, Ia	2,450	2,295	.9367
Hart, J. W., Dresden, Canada	2,200	2,060	.9363
Gunning, C. A., Longmont, Colo	2,080	1,947	.9360
Heikes, H. W., Dayton, O	2,850	2,666	.9354
Hummell, Chas., La Porte City, Ia	3,700	3,459	.9348
Couts Jr., J. F., San Diego, Cal	7,370	6,796	.9348
Varner, E. W., Adams, Neb	3,050	2,850	.9344
Painter, Geo. E., Pittsburg, Pa	2,750	2,568	.9338
McMahon, D. F., New York, N. Y	2,340	2,184	.9333
Lyon, Geo. L., Durham, N. C	2,960	2,761	.9327
Coburn, C. D., Mechanicsburg, O	2,250	2,098	.9324
Moritz, B. E., Denver, Colo	2,080	1,933	.9393
West, R. J., Brownsville, Pa	2,100	1,949	.9281
Hall, Wm. H., Maysville, Ky	2,325	2,155	.9268
Fisher, E. V., Oklahoma City, Okla	2,650	2,455	.9264
Koch, F. C., Phillipsburg, O	4,400	4,075	.9261
Osborn, G. L., Brookline, Mass	2,450	2,269	.9261
Martin, J. G., Harrisburg, Pa	4,995	4,615	.9239
O'Brien, P. H., Portland, Ore	2,205	2,037	.9238
Davis, L. H., Beverly, Mass	2,080	1,919	.9226
Tolen, W. H., Ft. Dodge, Ia	2,950	2,715	.9203
Edmonson, C. A., Clayton, Ind	3,050	2,800	.9180
Powers, Henry, Atlantic City, N. J	2,110	1,936	.9175
Schmitz, J. A., Storm Lake, Ia	2,400	2,202	.9175
Shaw, A. M., Delmont, S. Dak	2,200	2,014	.9154
Putnam, S. W., Fitchburg, Mass	2,175	1,990	.9149
Shoop, H. B., Harrisburg, Pa	3,225	2,950	.9147
George, M. F., Monroe, La	2,075	1,894	.9127
Austin, J. T., Monroe, La	2,595	2,367	.9121
Hinshaw, E. C., Spirit Lake, Ia	2,900	2,640	.9103
Frink, J. S., Worthington, Minn	3,400	3,094	.9100
Wihlon, H. F., Gresham, Ore	2,800	2,548	.9100
Clark Jr., Jay, Worcester, Mass	2,120	1,927	.9089
Blunt, J. A., Greensboro, Ala	2,200	1,996	.9072
Konvalinka, Joe, Mason City, Ia	2,500	2,268	.9072
Leahy, D. T., New York, N. Y	2,840	2,574	.9063
Crothers, S. M., Philadelphia, Pa	2,170	1,965	.9055
Muncy, N., Iowa City, Ia	2,200	1,992	.9054
Grubb, Geo., Wetmore, Kan	3,550	3,211	.9045
Lallance Jr., J. B., Huntington, W. Va	2,275	2,055	.9033
Caldwell, J. F., Concordia, Kan	2,000	1,806	.9030
Snow, J. L., Boston, Mass	2,260	2,040	.9026
Clay Jr., T. H., Austerling, Kk	2,000	1,804	.9020
Herrold, D. A., Harrisburg, Pa	2,075	1,866	.8992
Dodds, J. F., San Diego, Cal	4,400	3,946	.8968

Homer, C. B., Krebs, Okla.	2,000	1,791	.8955
Yearous, A. L., Eagle Grove, Ia.	2,900	2,596	.8951
Strothers, H. T., Winchester, Ky.	3,025	2,705	.8942
Eyre, H., Philadelphia, Pa.	2,595	2,319	.8936
Ebberts, Jno., Buffalo, N. Y.	3,615	3,225	.8921
Martin, Dr. G. H., New York, N. Y.	2,030	1,805	.8891
Cochran, Geo., Rodfield, Pa.	2,050	1,819	.8873
Brown, W. P., Minneapolis, Minn.	3,200	2,838	.8868
Ogilvie, Harry, Lindsay, Cal.	2,730	2,415	.8846
Church, A. W., Port Chester, N. Y.	2,790	2,466	.8838
Oliver, Vincent, Philadelphia, Pa.	2,805	2,479	.8837
Remey, B. P., Anderson, Ind.	3,815	3,370	.8833
Donald, T. J., Felicity, O.	2,250	1,986	.8826
Ziegler, F. M., Allentown, Pa.	2,420	2,132	.8809
Corfield, W. E., Utica, N. Y.	2,175	1,916	.8809
Mathews, W. H., Trenton, N. J.	2,135	1,877	.8791
Thill, Matt., Woonsocket, S. Dak.	3,100	2,722	.8780
Brooks Jr., H. E., Pittsburgh, Pa.	2,050	1,800	.8780
Lemke, E. G., Grand Forks, N. Dak.	2,240	1,959	.8745
Cowan, W. H., Conde, S. Dak.	2,950	2,576	.8732
Chipley, J. L., Greenwood, S. C.	2,900	2,516	.8675
Mackie, G. K., Scammon, Kan.	3,380	2,931	.8671
Peck, H. E., Kenmare, N. Dak.	2,040	1,769	.8671
Goode, O. P., Hinsdale, Ill.	2,400	2,080	.8666
Cooper, Guy, Kansas City, Mo.	2,300	1,991	.8656
Burns, R. N., Cambridge, Mass.	2,190	1,895	.8653
Kivitts, W. H., Terre Haute, Ind.	2,550	2,203	.8639
Baker, D. W., Pittsburgh, Pa.	2,100	1,813	.8633
McKelvey, C. E., Seattle Wash.	2,325	1,978	.8507
Blinn, C. P., Boston, Mass.	2,340	1,980	.8461
Larsen, L. C., Kansas City, Mo.	2,300	1,944	.8452
Ford, E. G., Philadelphia, Pa.	2,275	1,918	.8430
Sousa, J. P., New York, N. Y.	3,665	3,078	.8398
Webber, Nick, Waterloo, Ia.	2,470	2,066	.8364
Wade, F. D., Boise, Idaho.	2,525	2,109	.8352
Wade, J. E., Boise, Idaho.	2,075	1,726	.8318
Fell, R. G., Philadelphia, Pa.	2,120	1,763	.8316
Hoffman, S. S., Harrisburg, Pa.	2,400	1,992	.8300
Foster, Sam S., Mason City, Ia.	3,100	2,554	.8238
Bitterling, J. C., Allentown, Pa.	2,020	1,637	.8104
Riley, T. D., San Francisco, Cal.	2,150	1,736	.8074
Morrison, J. L., Brownsville, Pa.	2,650	2,135	.8056
Thompson, G. D., Brownsville, Pa.	2,220	1,704	.7675

Professional Average for Single Targets.

Name and Address.	St. at	Bk.	Pct.
Reid, L. H., Seattle, Wash.	2,225	2,146	.9644
Spencer, Chas. G., St. Louis, Mo.	5,700	5,491	.9633
Crosby, W. R., O'Fallon, Ill.	7,240	6,954	.9604
German, L. S., Aberdeen, Md.	5,230	5,017	.9592
Clark, Homer, Alton, Ill.	4,450	4,267	.9588
Taylor, Jno. R., Columbus O.	5,010	4,800	.9580
Hawkins, J. M., Baltimore, Md.	6,080	5,810	.9555
Holt, E. R., Montgomery, Ala.	2,650	2,532	.9554
Gibbs, H. D., Union City, Tenn.	3,050	2,901	.9511
Killam, Art, St. Louis, Mo.	3,200	3,042	.9506
Storr, E. H., Richmond, Va.	3,390	3,222	.9504
Bills, F. G., Chicago, Ill.	3,790	3,600	.9498
Freeman, H. D., Atlanta, Ga.	3,350	3,176	.9480
Kreger, G., Redfield, S. Dak.	3,690	3,492	.9463
Topperwein, Mrs. A., San Antonio, Tex.	2,170	2,053	.9460
Summers, A. A., Delta, Pa.	2,050	1,939	.9458
Riehl, F. C., Tacoma, Wash.	3,625	3,428	.9456
Huseman, F. H., Washington, D. C.	2,250	2,121	.9426
Kirkwood, H. C., La Grange, Ill.	5,700	5,368	.9417
Young, C. A., Springfield, O.	3,650	3,431	.9400
Graham, J. R., Ingleside, Ill.	5,950	5,588	.9391
Goodrich, C. E., Atlanta, Ga.	3,970	3,727	.9387
Morgan, E. J., Salt Lake City, Utah.	3,935	3,689	.9374
Barstow, D. G., Kansas City, Mo.	3,800	3,562	.9373
Huff, Walter, Macon, Ga.	4,550	4,262	.9367
Woodworth, A. W., Spokane, Wash.	2,660	2,491	.9364
Apgar, Neaf, Plainfield, N. J.	6,270	5,862	.9349
Stevens, H. H., Roselle Park, N. J.	5,375	5,023	.9345
Darton, W. B., Portland, Me.	5,260	4,915	.9344
Guptill, R. D., Mankato, Minn.	3,500	3,268	.9337
Poston, H. E., San Francisco, Cal.	4,445	4,149	.9334
Maxwell, Geo. W., Hastings, Neb.	5,235	4,883	.9327
Marshall, T. A., Keithsburg, Ill.	3,050	2,844	.9324
Ford, O. N., San Jose, Cal.	2,380	2,219	.9323
Day, J. S., Cincinnati, O.	5,150	4,801	.9322
O'Brien, Edw., Florence, Kan.	4,250	3,960	.9317
Moore, Carl F., Pittsburgh, Pa.	5,760	5,363	.9310
Rinkel, H. C., Minneapolis, Minn.	2,100	1,955	.9309
Glover, Sim., Rochester, N. Y.	3,270	3,043	.9305
Slear, E. F., Collingswood, N. J.	3,685	3,428	.9302
Welles, H. S., New York, N. Y.	3,735	3,471	.9293
Keefe, Harry, Denver, Colo.	2,080	1,931	.9283
Worthington, H. L., Baltimore Md.	3,010	2,794	.9282
Chapin, G. H., Brookfield, Mass.	3,290	3,053	.9279
Dickey, J. E., Minneapolis, Minn.	6,420	5,951	.9269
Heikes, R. O., Dayton, O.	2,750	2,549	.9269
Reed, R. C., San Francisco, Cal.	2,680	2,484	.9268
Holohan, P. J., Portland, Ore.	3,880	3,596	.9268
Gilbert, Fred, Spirit Lake, Ia.	3,800	3,517	.9255
Barber, R. R., Minneapolis, Minn.	5,840	5,390	.9229
Donnelly, H. J., Guthrie, Okla.	3,880	3,579	.9224
Schwarts, Ben., Houston, Tex.	3225	2,972	.9215
Eastman, F. K., Indianapolis, Ind.	3200	2,944	.9200
Hirschy, H. C., Minneapolis, Minn.	2,340	2,152	.9196
Banks, Edw., Wilmington, Del.	4,800	4,217	.9167
Hardy, A. H., Denver, Colo.	2,180	1,998	.9165
Head, J. L., Moberly, Mo.	3,450	3,161	.9162
Fox, T. H., Lynchburg, Va.	4,550	4,159	.9140
Clancy, R. W., Chicago, Ill.	2,060	1,882	.9135
Chamberlain, W. R., Columbus, O.	3,695	3,369	.9117
Cadwallader, H. W., Decatur, Ill.	2,450	2,232	.9110
Daniel, E. M., Lynchburg, Va.	3,840	3,491	.9091
Standard, W. D., Chicago, Ill.	5,000	4,541	.9082
Olson, G. A., Sioux Falls, S. Dak.	2,200	1,998	.9081
Barr, J. M., Indianapolis, Ind.	2,350	2,128	.9055
Graham, E. S., Ingleside, Ill.	2,000	1,807	.9035
Gross, D. D., Kansas City, Mo.	4,700	4,234	.9008
Sibley, A. E., Boston, Mass.	2,090	1,881	.9000
Holohan, Guy E., Los Angeles, Cal.	4,025	3,620	.8993
White, E. F. G., Ottawa, Canada.	2,985	2,603	.8991
Fanning, J. S., New York, N. Y.	4,580	4,118	.8991
Hingle, J. R., Oklahoma City, Okla.	3,410	3,055	.8958
Carter, Geo. L., Lincoln, Neb.	2,250	2,013	.8946
Bowman, Wm., Denver, Colo.	2,740	2,449	.8938
Hammond, W. M., Wilmington, Del.	7,870	7,029	.8931
Joslyn, W. A., Wilmington, Del.	3,000	2,679	.8930
Dickey, O. R., Boston, Mass.	5,240	4,667	.8906
Terry, Jos., Wilmington, Del.	2,375	2,104	.8858
Holloday, O. J., Indianapolis, Ind.	2,010	1,771	.8810
Bovee, D. W., Kansas City, Mo.	2,150	1,892	.8800
Wheeler, G. M., Brunswick, Me.	3,440	3,011	.8752
Fay, F. M., Chicopee Falls, Mass.	2,695	2,351	.8723
Squier, L. J., Pittsburg, Pa.	3,050	2,659	.8718
Cassity, Thos., Nashville, Tenn.	3,300	2,875	.8712
Overbaugh, Harry, Philadelphia, Pa.	2,315	2,014	.8699
Higgins, W. D., Minneapolis, Minn.	2,380	2,053	.8626
Morris, E. B., Portland, Ore.	2,675	2,298	.8590
LeCompte, C. O., Asheville, N. C.	5,585	4,790	.8576
Haight, C. A., San Francisco, Cal.	3,550	3,043	.8571
Young, H. E., Fredonia, Pa.	3,640	3,093	.8497
Knight, C. H., San Francisco, Cal.	2,610	2,216	.8490
Riggs, F. R., Des Moines, Ia.	2,650	2,239	.8449
Mymer, C. W., Minneapolis, Minn.	4,490	3,787	.8434
Ballou Jr., Murray, Chicago, Ill.	3,050	2,561	.8396
Cragg, G. B., Dallas, Tex.	2,150	1,801	.8376
Brown, Ray F., Belleville, N. J.	2,050	1,716	.8370
Day, R., London, Canada.	2,050	1,715	.8365
Lewis, L. R., Atglen, Pa.	5,770	4,801	.8320
Flannigan, Dave, Minneapolis, Minn.	3,650	2,985	.8178
Doremus, T. E., Wilmington, Del.	2,250	1,839	.8173
Lednum, E. T., Chicago, Ill.	3,000	2,426	.8086
Pratt, J. F., Philadelphia, Pa.	3,255	2,630	.8079
Keller, H. A., New York, N. Y.	2,210	1,782	.8063
Whitney, Fred C., Des Moines, Ia.	3,700	2,853	.7710
Winans, H. E., Belleville, Ill.	2,200	1,577	.7168

Amateur Averages for Double Targets.

Name and Address.	Sh. at	Bk.	Pct.
Wright, F. S., South Wales, N. Y.	150	127	.8466
Wettleaf, Wm., Nichols, Ia.	150	126	.8400
King, R. A., Delta, Colo.	150	123	.8200
Lyon, Geo. L., Durham, N. C.	200	162	.8100
Fuller, Frank G., Mukwonago, Wis.	150	118	.7866
Jones, W. H., Macon, Ga.	150	118	.7866
Wihlon, H. F., Gresham, Ore.	150	118	.7866
Behm, Walter S., Ssterly, Pa.	150	114	.7600
Galbraith, C. A., Bay City, Mich.	150	114	.7600
McMahon, D. F., New York, N. Y.	150	114	.7600
Frink, J. S., Worthington, Minn.	150	113	.7533
O'Brien, P. H., Portland, Ore.	150	113	.7533
Homer, C. B., Krebs, Okla.	150	112	.7466
Richardson, A. B., Dover, Del.	150	110	.7333
Whitney, H. E., Anthony, Kan.	150	110	.7333
Crothers, E. K., Bloomington, Ill.	150	105	.7000
Robison, L. J., Peoria, Ill.	150	104	.6933
Cooper, Guy, Kansas City, Mo.	150	102	.6800
Kalsey, F. D., East Aurora, N. Y.	150	100	.6666
Andrews, Isaac, Spartanburg, S. C.	150	93	.6200
Williams, B. S., Nashville, Tenn.	150	92	.6133
Leahy, D. T., New York, N. Y.	100	59	.5900
Connor, A. C., Springfield, Ill.	150	88	.5866

Professional Averages For Double Targets.

Name and Address.	Sh. at	Bk.	Pct.
Maxwell, Geo. W., Hastings, Neb.	150	134	.8933
German, L. S., Aberdeen Md.	100	86	.8600
Marshall, T. A., Keithsburg, Ill.	100	86	.8600
Graham, J. R., Ingleside, Ill.	100	82	.8200
Spencer, Chas. G., St. Louis, Mo.	100	82	.8200
Crosby, W. R., O'Fallon, Ill.	200	157	.7850
Taylor, Jno. R., Columbus, O.	100	78	.7800
Young, C. A., Springfield, O.	100	77	.7700
Dickey, O. R., Boston, Mass.	100	69	.6900
Hawkins, J. M., Baltimore, Md.	100	67	.6700
Doremus, T. E., Wilmington, Del.	150	94	.6266

THE INTERSTATE ASSOCIATION,
E. REED SHANER, Secy.

PROPOSED FISH AND GAME LAW CHANGES.

The attention of the sportsmen of this State will soon be focused upon a varied and interesting assortment of measures affecting the present game laws. That is, provided the numerous proposed changes, amendments and new bills that are now incubating are hatched.

Among the mentioned changes to be submitted by the Fish and Game Commission will be the following: Instead of six game and fish districts in this State, there shall be only three, No. 1 embracing the Sierra and northern counties, No. 2 consisting of the coast counties from Mendocino down to San Luis Obispo, inclusive, and taking in also all of Kern county; No. 3 the southern counties now included in district 6. Taking into consideration the past complications arising over the difference in open and close seasons alone, the change seems to be an acceptable one.

The deer law changes advocated will be that shooting spike bucks be prohibited. Bucks with forked horns or more points only are to be legal quarry for the hunter. A spike buck or towhead at fifty or more yards distant cannot be distinguished from a doe by the sharpest pair of eyes. The protection of spike bucks may reduce the venison crop the first season the law would be operative, but there would naturally be a larger number of matured bucks and forked horns the following season.

The California State Fish, Game and Forest Protective League is out for the prohibition of any and all dogs in running deer during the open season. One dog only can be used by deer hunters under the present deer law. This latter change will be fought hard on both sides.

A reduced open season of from six weeks to two months will be urged—from August 15 to October 1 or 15 in district one, from August 1 to September 15 in district two or August only. For district three one month's open season is prescribed. For that matter, there is a strong sentiment in the lower part of the State to have a closed deer season for five years.

State game refuges will be advocated in another bill. Wild and remote sections throughout the State are to be selected where hunting will not be allowed. This will give furred and feathered wild game a chance to increase and replenish surrounding territory, it is claimed. Hunting of predatory animals in the game refuges will be allowed when permits are secured from the Fish and Game Commission. In Trinity county, for instance, there is a wintering ground for, it is estimated, 1000 deer.

A reduction of the daily quail limit of 140 birds a week to thirty or forty birds, and from twenty a day to fifteen, and only thirty quail to the individual hunter per week, also a reduction in the open season of four months to two months.

Duck hunters will fight proposed reductions of the daily twenty-five-bag limit and fifty a week allowance to fifteen or twenty birds per day and thirty or forty per week.

An effort will also be made for the protection of wild geese—twenty-five birds per day and fifty per week will be the bag limit suggestion.

It is intimated that a bill will be introduced which, if passed, will protect doves by placing a perpetual closed season on the birds. The claim is made that doves are of more economic value to the farmer and orchardist than as a means of sport for the hunter. The foregoing hints embrace the principal proposed game law changes that will be introduced.

Along with game law amendments the State statutes pertaining to fish and fishing will receive a combing over, through the medium of bills submitted for the purpose of changing and refurbishing the present laws.

A plan, fathered by the Fish and Game Commission, is to divide the coast tidal waters, the interior river and lake waters into numerous fishing districts. This proposed change concerns the net and market fishermen more than the rod and reel enthusiasts. The purpose of one proposed change will be to regulate the salmon river fishing industry by conforming the close and open seasons to the periodical run upstream of the fish in different coast streams.

For other fishing grounds, Humboldt, San Francisco, Monterey and San Diego bays, Catalina island, etc., there will be measures introduced to modify or relieve present claimed unsatisfactory conditions.

It will be a surprise to many to know that Salton sea will be made one of the proposed fish districts—if the bill goes through. Salton sea, it is asserted, will assay 20 per cent carp. Carp running from five to fifteen pounds are there by the ton.

Klamath and Eel rivers are figured on as separate fish districts, so are the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers. The latter stream is in nearly all of the valley counties, closed to the operations of the net fishermen by ordinances of the county Boards of Supervisors.

The same may be said of the Salinas river and Elkhorn slough, into which the river empties.

The petition signed by the steelhead anglers, who desire the month of January kept open for hook and line operations in tide waters, it is intimated, has a good chance for passing. This will be acceptable news to the rodsters. The trout season in Coast streams opens at present April 1. There probably will be an amendment introduced putting back the opening day until April 15. The reason for this shift is that runs of big breeding steelhead generally continue until that date in our coast streams.

GOSSIP FOR SPORTSMEN.

The duck hunters who shoot in the salt marshes around the bay shores experienced somewhat of a slump during Sunday's devotion to the sport. A heavy rainstorm during the morning hours sent the birds scurrying away and made a stay in the shooting blinds uncomfortable. The same conditions somewhat applied when the mid-week contingent were out Wednesday. The wind and rain Tuesday night and Wednesday morning did not improve matters for the mid-week shooters.

Suisun duck hunting has not been of limit quality for a fortnight. At some of the resorts where ducks were numerous several weeks ago, but two or not more than half a dozen ducks was the tally this week. R. B. Murdoch shot a mixed bag at the Jacksnipe ponds. Tule Belle and Teal Club members out had only fair sport. At the Volante Club Sunday, eight ducks was the crop for that day. Too much water on the marsh and plenty of rain has caused the flocks of ducks to go to other resorts—down the San Joaquin valley probably. The Suisun club shooters on last Sunday were about half the usual number of visitors.

Captain A. W. Du Bray returned from a trip to Newman with a limit bunch of splendid plumaged and fat teal. Down farther at Gustine, West Side, Los Banos and thereabouts limit bags still hold good. The ducks, geese and snipe are there in big flocks. Nat Boas and other members of the Field and Tule Club were on the limit list last week.

Canvasback and bluebill shooting at Pinole, San Pablo and along the east shores of San Pablo bay has been under the ban of the weather recently. W. W. Perry, Bert Underwood, Ole Olsen, W. Burns, Joe La Vezi, Dennis Landrigan and Eddie Smith returned from San Pablo a week ago with a very good showing of bluebille and canvasbacks.

Now and then, during recent days, good canvasback shooting could be enjoyed near Reclamation, on the Sonoma branch. Dr. Claude Angonnet and S. Largomarsino each bagged canvasback limits in that section a week ago. Near Black Point, Dr. Ogle and other gunners have had poor luck. Last Sunday ducks were few and far between, for the hunters out on the Petaluma marsh.

Fairly good bags have been shot by hunters who shot near Mt. Eden and Alvarado recently. In many parts of the Alameda marsh the ponds are too much flooded to afford good shooting now.

Down near Alviso, John Ferguson has found acceptable duck shooting. Canvasbacks have been very plentiful for several weeks past. Near the "drawbridges" the Sunday shoots brought out many gunners, shooting in the nearby sloughs and along the bay shore. A number of guns were bombarding the ducks that gathered on the Schilling pond and at the Eureka Club ponds. This kept birds moving from one place to another—many of the ducks stopped suddenly among the wooden decoys they were investigating.

J. T. Connelly, R. C. Haas, Chas. H. Kewell, Paul Burns, Chester Potter and Dr. Earl Pomeroy shot at the Arden Gun Club's preserve Wednesday. Spoonbills and a few sprig comprised the combined bag. Leigh Larzalere, Dr. J. C. Sylvester, Connelly, Kewell, Burns, Potter, J. Scott and Tony Korbell composed the shooting party at the club house last Sunday. The morning shoot was only fair and for a short time in the afternoon excellent. Coyote Gun Club members, shooting on the adjoining pond also bagged quite a number of spoonbills. The Swezig brothers shot out along the bay shore levees and sloughs and came in with 45 spooneys.

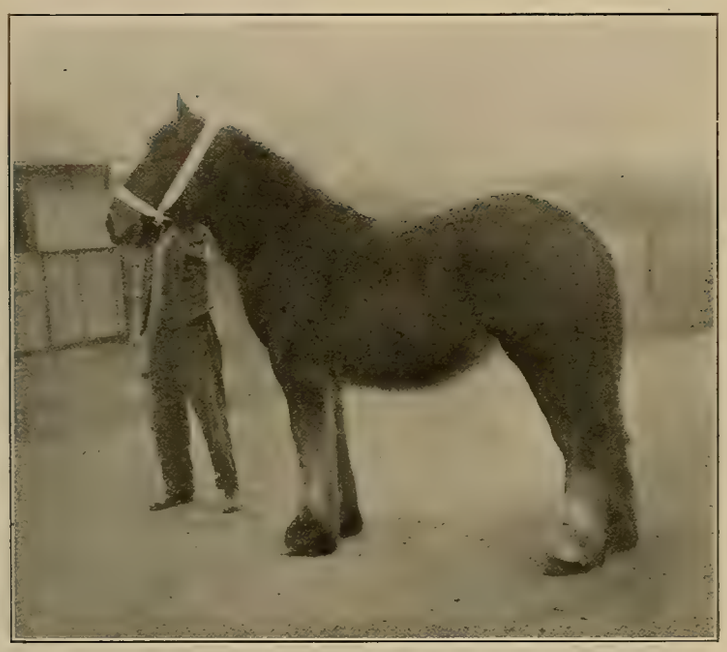
Scull boat operators off the Redwood shores have had all kinds of luck with the big flocks of canvasbacks that loaf in the southern end of the bay.

Near Elkhorn station, on private ponds, Chas. H. Meyer, W. F. Hillegass and John H. Meyer have for several weeks past killed many canvasbacks. Quite a number of English snipe were shot also on a nearby marsh patch.

FITTING DRAFT COLTS FOR SHOWS.

A correspondent writes that he has eight pure-bred Percheron weanlings, all of which, he thinks, are good enough to fit for the futurity shows of this season. He describes them as having been well fed on grain ever since they would eat—four stallions and four fillies, all foaled in May but one, and that one came June 5th. He ran them all together until about two weeks ago when he separated them by sexes, putting the four colts together in one lot and the four fillies in a much smaller lot. One gray youngster he describes as continually harassing the other three colts, jumping them and generally keeping them on the run perpetually so that he has got the others afraid of him. He wants to know how he shall proceed to get the best results and especially what he shall do with the rampageous rapscallion that gives the others no peace.

Here we have an instance of the victory which follows the employment of common sense in caring for pure-bred stock. While this statement is hardly germane to the question asked it is in order to state that our correspondent owns but ten pure-bred mares all told, one of them over 20 years of age, and yet he has eight weanlings to show for his foal crop of 1914. All of these mares but "Old Granny" work every day on the farm that there is work to do and it is seldom, save when enjoying the thirty days' holiday they get at foaling, that there is not some sort of labor for them to perform—hauling manure three abreast on the spreader, bringing stuff from town, getting posts and firewood out of the timber and so forth when there is no plowing or other tillage work on hand. They get a most liberal ration of oats and corn half and half while working, the amount being gauged according to the severity of the labor asked of them, and when there comes a spell when any of them must be idle they are turned into a lot and their grain cut down 75 per cent.



TYPE OF CALIFORNIA-BRED PURE BLOODED DRAFT COLT.

During hard work they get alfalfa and timothy hay half and half and when idle one good feed of alfalfa daily with all the fresh corn fodder they care to pick over until the blades are gone. Likewise their shed is always well bedded with fresh oat straw, of which they eat quite a bit when it is first scattered. Used in this fashion these mares come strong and hearty to their work in early spring, hold their flesh through that part of the season and are worked up to within about a week of the book dates on which they are due to foal, when they are relegated to the seclusion of the foaling lot and very little trouble is ever experienced with them at time of parturition. However, that is all by the way.

Starting with the stallions, the first thing to be done with these futurity prospects is to corral the crazy one by himself and so eliminate him as a source of possible danger. Being domineering by disposition he will keep on, if allowed to run with the others, becoming more and more of a nuisance until finally he does some real damage, and as long as he is left with the others he will be treading down and hurting their heels, besides bossing them around and bothering them too much. Take him up by himself, give him a good big lot to run in and plenty of shed room where he can see and play with the others through some sort of a strong though not tight fence. He will not lack for company then, but the chance for him to injure will be taken from him.

The first thing, when this has been attended to, is to put these youngsters on the barn floor and investigate their feet. With mallet and chisel and blacksmith's rasp put the feet in proper shape, removing any rags or projections, keeping the toes short and the ground contacting surface level. Attend to this every month, rounding off the edges of the wall so that the hoofs may not be splintered on the hard ground. This will be found a most important bit of work if the colts have not in their earlier youth been taught to submit to having their feet picked up one by one and examined. If they have not been taught to permit this without fussing, go at them regularly until each and every one will give up his feet as readily as any old horse. That will form a splendid foundation for the business of training for the show yard later on. In any case every colt should be taught to give up his feet without fuss or fury, so that it would be easy to dress the wound without terrifying the poor beast half to death in the struggle to get him where he might be handled with comfort. One never knows when a bad accident may happen to a colt and if he has been taught to stand quietly when his legs and feet are handled it will be a great blessing.

If the intention is to make these youngsters up for show, then each should have a feed box by itself and each should be tied up when feeding. Keep neatly fitting halters on their heads and at each box have a tie rope with a snap attached. When feeding time comes and the young things rush eagerly to their several places, let the feeder snap the tie ropes into the halter rings. Then each one will have to stay in its place until all the rest are through eating, and each one can have just exactly the amount and the kind of food that is best for it. It takes time and steps and bother to snap the weanlings to their places three times a day and more to go and turn them loose, but like everything else worth having there is work connected with it and that can't be helped. Give both bunches a well bedded, clean, dry, tight shelter in which to rest.

This owner has an abundant supply of the soundest, though not the heaviest oats and grand white corn, plenty of alfalfa and timothy hay and well cured corn stover, which is rather rank and strong. To begin with I would grind the grain for the weanlings. They have been getting about all the whole oats they would clean up so far, but I would gradually switch this feed, for awhile at least, change the ration of whole oats and corn, about a fifth of corn to start on. The corn must be added very gradually, but after a time it may be increased until in a couple of months they are eating about one-third corn and two-thirds oats, all ground. This with a generous ration of alfalfa and timothy hay half and half and some corn fodder will get out of them all the growth that is in them. The fodder should be placed before them daily in the forenoon and in the afternoon taken away to be worked over by the cattle.

All this is supposing the weanlings are healthy and eating well, not infested by worms and generally in proper shape. If any one of them is not right in health, find out what ails it and then go at it to fix it up. Avoid stock foods—that is, the proprietary articles that are advertised to do such wonders. If a horse young or old needs treatment, no shotgun prescription will cure all his ailments. If he is in perfect health he needs no dope of any kind. Carrots and sugar beets are splendid for all young horses, especially the former. If I were trying to fit such weanlings for the futurities of next season I would certainly try to get hold of some carrots, so that I might give each weanling a couple or three pounds each daily. There is something about the carrot that is especially grateful to the young equine system, keeping it cool and the digestive tract in the best of condition. I like a little linseed cake, pea-size, for young colts, but its use can be so easily overdone that I often hesitate to recommend it. Improvement in condition always follows the addition of linseed cake to the grain ration and sometimes the feeder, thinking that if a little is good more must be better, has gone ahead and put the kibosh on the whole game by feeding so much as to start the colts scouring and so putting them clean out of condition. If linseed cake is fed let it be the pea-size and give only a single handful with each ration.

How much grain, is the next question. That, no man can answer properly without living with the colts for a time and trying out their various capacities. Virtually they should at this stage of the game, have just about what they will clean up nicely without monkeying over it and come charging hungry to their boxes for the next feed. Regularity is a great aid in the conditioning of all animals for the show ring. I would give these colts their first feed at 6 o'clock in the morning as regularly as the clock struck, the second about 11:30 and the third about half past five in the evening. Let them have some of their hay in the morning, the corn stover in the forenoon and the remainder of the hay at night. Watch them carefully and see they don't waste the roughage. Weanlings are notional little rascals and will nose over a lot of fodder to get a particularly choice morsel. Feed them small quantities and often rather than a big lot at one time to be tossed about and trampled under foot.

Watch out for signs of worms. Keep salt in some well sheltered spot where they can reach it, but not rock salt. Only the man who does, or supervises, the feeding can tell when the ration is just right as to quantity. Eternal vigilance is the price of success. In these easy times on the farm this is none too early to begin giving these colts intended for the show ring their first lessons in deportment. Teach them anyway to walk and trot promptly and as proudly as may be right up alongside the leader. For this purpose take off the leather tie halter and substitute a white cotton rope halter such as is in general use in the arena. If it is gone at right, it will not be long before the young things get to enjoy doing a stunt at the trot right up alongside the leader and about as fast as they can go. Be careful, however, not to encourage too much effort at the start. This will make a fine beginning and later in the season the subject of getting these weanlings ready for the shows will be resumed.—J. H. S. Johnstone in Live Stock World.

THE COUNTY AGENT AND PROFITABLE AGRICULTURE.

The county agent is a part of a great agricultural movement. This movement has for its ultimate purpose the building up of a country life that shall be wholesome, attractive, cultured, efficient, and profitable. There are many sections of our country today that have one or more of these conditions, but the sections where all are found in happy unison are comparatively few. The desire of those who are thinking on rural problems is that rural communities everywhere shall be wholesome, attractive and cultured, and that each individual shall receive a fair reward for the labor done and the capital invested. The county agent has one dominant part in this program. While he may take other parts, his primary function is to help make agriculture efficient and profitable. In proportion as agriculture is made profitable will the community become attractive, cultured, and a place wholesome and desirable to live in.

Just what is meant by a profitable agriculture? Simply this: There shall be a reasonable return on the capital invested in farming and a reasonable return for the farmer's labor and managerial ability. A farmer, like any other man in any other business, is entitled to just what he earns and no more; but what he earns should be sufficient to give him and his family some of the more essential conveniences of modern life, time for study, some recreation, and opportunity for education for his children. With some money in his pocket the farmer will support the church, place conveniences in his house, magazines and literature on the sitting-room table, and send his children to the best schools with very little outside prompting.

YOLO HORSES MAKE GOOD IN NEW MEXICO.

Word was received in this city recently by Dr. D. F. Herspring of the phenomenal showing of two young horses, John J. Oliver and Don Rosine Jr., sired by Dr. Herspring's stallion, Don Rosine. These two horses are two-year-olds and were sold to C. W. Bowers of Davis by Dr. Herspring. Bowers took the horses to New Mexico and entered them in the several horse shows there.

Out of seven starts they took seven firsts and seven seconds, which is a world's record for two horses of the same age by the same sire. The New Mexico press lauded the horses and even went so far as to state that they were the finest pair of horses ever brought into the state.

The horses were sold by Mr. Bowers before he left the state for $1500 and $1000. Dr. Herspring feels proud of the horses as they are a product of his stables and have made a wonderful showing.—Mail of Woodland.

Jud Smith of Caldwell, Idaho, who had the hard luck to break a leg last fall and who landed at Pleasanton some time ago on crutches, has gotten along to where he can make out with only one peg for ordinary maneuvering, and is able to put in his appearance in the sulky for the daily work of May Davis and the youngsters of the stable.

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ALARICH 2:11¼ (Breeder's mark 2:09),

trotter, bay gelding with black points, 15.3, handsome, sound, fast and game; trialed at Santa Rosa last season in 2:06¾ and can do it again. Is a first class doer, can race twice a week and is eligible to the 2:13 class trots on mile tracks and to the 2:18 class on half-mile tracks; has shown well on the twice-arounds. **Price, $650.00.**

HELEN BELLE, 2 yr. old record 2:22½,

bay filly, foaled 1912, good gaited, good headed, sound and extremely fast; obtained her record with very limited training, is being worked at present and improving right along. Sired by California's greatest sire of colt trotters, CARLOKIN 2:07½. First dam Carolyn C. by Axtell (3) 2:12 (a champion); second dam by Expedition, sire of Bon Voyage 2:08; third dam by Princeps (son of Woodford Mamb.); fourth dam by Hambletonian 10.

Carolyn C. had two minute speed. This great filly is entered and paid up in the Panama-Pacific $5,000 stake for three-year-olds; the Occident and Stanford stakes, the State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A., Pleasanton and Oregon Futurities for 1915. **The best buy in California at $1750.00.**

NELLIE Mc,

black mare, trotter, eight years old, racing sound but is blemished; has always trained sound and I believe will continue to do so. Trialed at Sacramento in 2:10½ and has been a half lately in 1:03¾. Is a splendid mannered mare—anyone can drive her anywhere. She races first class, is fast, good headed, good gaited and dead game.

Sired by ZOLOCK 2:05¼, dam by Wilkes Moor, son of Guy Wilkes.

Stands about 15.3, is a round made extra good looking mare, weighs about 1140, has splendid legs and feet. She negotiates a half mile circle in A-1 style, should surely beat 2:10 this year. Does not pull a pound and can be placed anywhere. Eligible to any class. **Price $1000.00.**

CARLETA,

bay filly, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ALEXANDRIA, tr. 2:20, by Bon Voyage 2:08; second dam by Oakland Baron 2:09¼; third dam by Allandorf, etc.

This is a good trotter and should be prominent in her stake engagements. Is very handsome, good headed, sound and comes from familes noted for early speed. She has been up from pasture about six weeks and trialed this week in 2:53 very easily, last eighth in :20¼.

She is entered and paid up to date in the following stakes: Panama-Pacific $3,000 for two-year-olds, Stanford, Occident, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. **Take her at one-third her value, $500.00.**

OMAR,

trotter, trial 2:13¾, half in 1:05, eighths in :15; good headed, sound and can be depended upon. Is a beautifully gaited big horse and should prove useful to race over the twice arounds or for a matinee and road horse. He is fearless and is one of the most pleasant driving horses I have ever ridden behind. Stands slightly over 16 hands, weighs about 1200, is eight years old. Sired by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam Pineapple by Albion (son of General Benton). **A present at $350.00.**

CARLSCHEN (2) 2:23,

brown gelding by CARLOKIN, dam BONNIE AILSIE 2:08½ (dam of Contention B. (3) 2:08¼) by Faustino, son of Sidney.

Trialed with a little work last year a half in 1:09, is extremely promising and looks to be as good a prospect as any of the colts racing last year in the two-year-old trots. Is engaged in several of the futurities including the P. C. T. H. B. A., Pleasanton and State Fair Futurities. Is a splendid type, beautifully gaited, good headed and has extreme speed. He does it right. **Price $800.00.**

BROWN COLT, (unnamed),

two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam MISS QUEALY (full sister to Manrico 2:07¼).

This is one of the most promising trotters I have ever handled. Is an especially nice gaited colt, can show a 2:20 gait, is good headed and on the whole the most promising youngster I know of for the western stakes. Is also a show horse. Is entered and paid up in the Occident, Stanford, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. His dam is an extremely fast trotter, having shown a two minute gait in her three-year-old form, and his second dam produced two to hold world's records—Manrico and Don Pronto.

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JOHNNY DUGAN,
3-yr.-old record 2:16,

pacer, no straps, bay gelding four years old, straight and sound, trialed a half in 1:04 last year in his three-year-old form and could pace around 2:10 in June.

Sire, CARLOKIN 2:07½; dam Annabelle L. (full sister to Murray M. and Robert I. 2:08¾) by Hambletonian Wilkes; second dam Annabelle 2:27½ (dam of La Belle 2:16); third dam by Williamson's Belmont. **A great buy at $350.00.**

WHITTIER,

bay gelding, trotter, five years old, trialed last year in May in 2:11, last half 1:04. Sired by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam IRAN BELLE, by Iran Alto 2:12¼; second dam ANNABELLE, etc.

Whittier is sound, good gaited, an exceptionally good headed trotter, and should beat 2:08 this year. He stands A-1 with the railbirds around Los Angeles—what more could be said when "That Bunch" all praise him? He is ready to begin fast work, having been jogged about six weeks. **Price $1000.00.**

CARINA,

bay filly, trotter, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ATHERINE (dam of Copa de Oro 1:59, Rags 2:09¼ and Nicola B. (2) 2:23¼, tr. 2:17, winner of the Oregon Futurity and second in the P. C. T. H. B. A. stakes for two-year-old trotters). Carina is entered and paid up in the same stakes as Carleta. She is a grand looking, well developed filly, showed a :40 gait at eleven months old. Is good gaited and good headed, is in training and promises to make a high class trotter. **Price $600.00.**

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GRINDING GRAIN.

Where the farmer raises corn, as many of them are now doing on the Pacific coast, it is not considered an advantage to them to have their feed ground, when the extra cost of grinding is taken into consideration. Experimentation has shown that a gain of almost 6 per cent is in favor of grinding. This grain, however, is lost when the cost of grinding is taken into account. Experiments at the Iowa station have shown that in no case was there anything to be gained by grinding corn. In general, it was shown that corn needs no preparation, except possibly soaking shelled corn.

A saving of about 12 per cent can be made by grinding peas, wheat, rye, oats and barley. The general conclusion then is that it pays to grind small grain always, but not corn, except where it is desired to fatten pigs quickly on ground corn without regard to the expense of fattening. A hog grinder—that is, a machine for grinding grain or corn, where the motive power is supplied by the hog himself, is often recommended. One advantage it has is that of giving the hog excellent exercise.—Henry's Feeds and Feeding; bulletin No. 136, South Dakota state college of agriculture, and mechanic art, Brookings, South Dakota; bulletin No. 150, Maryland agricultural experiment station, College Park, Maryland.

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THE HOME PASTEURIZATION OF MILK.

The anxiety manifested respecting danger to the human from the foot-and mouth disease is somewhat exaggerated. While the disease is very rarely serious in the human, it is considered of sufficient importance to warrant the U. S. Department of Agriculture issuing a special bulletin, advising the pasteurization of milk in districts where the disease is known to exist.

Because of this disease, and for other reasons, it is often advisable to pasteurize milk, and this may conveniently be done at home. The following directions will be found easy, requiring very little time, and will be effective:

Place a pie tin, with a few holes punched in it, bottom side up, in a pail, and on this set the bottle of milk. Punch a hole through the cap of the bottle and insert a thermometer which has the scale etched on the glass. Place the pail on the gas flame or stove and heat it until the thermometer registers 150 F. It shoud not be heated to more than 155 F. to avoid undesirable changes in the milk constituents.

The bottle is now removed from the water and after being covered with a cloth, is allowed to stand for 30 minutes. The milk should now be cooled as rapidly as possible by setting the bottle in cold water. After being cooled the milk should be kept at a low temperature until used. Milk will keep longer after it has been pasteurized, but the cream will not raise so quickly. Pasteurization does not kill all of the bacteria in milk and it should not be kept longer than other milk before using.—Geo. H. Glover, Colorado Agricultural College.

The American Beet Sugar Company is signing up contracts with growers at Chino for the coming season's crop, and it is stated that a very much larger acreage than ever will be planted this coming year. Beets are paid for on a graduated scale, according to their sugar contest, from $3.50 per ton for those going 11 per cent. and under, up to $7.50 for those going 25 per cent. If sugar sells at 4½ cents a pound in May, then a bonus of 50 cents per ton will be added.

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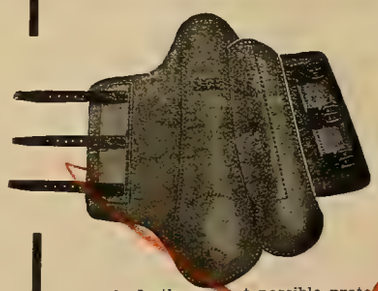
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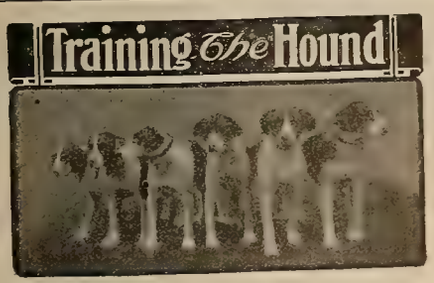
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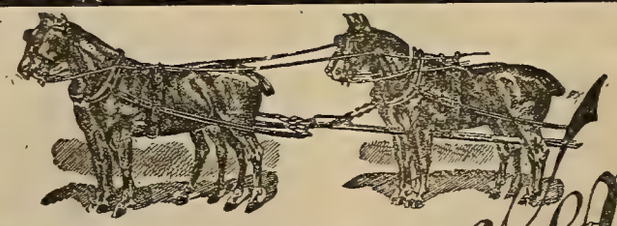


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THE DISTRICT FAIR BILL.

There is most urgent need and a constantly growing demand in California for the re-establishment of district fairs, and there has been a most generally expressed hope of favorable action on the part of the present legislative bodies and Governor Johnson in this matter. However, from former experience, we are not inclined to the belief that district fairs will come to us through Bill Number Thirty-four introduced by Assemblyman Judson. For the benefit of Mr. Judson and all friends of the bill we wish to state that our opinion is based not upon any objection we find to the bill itself, but upon conditions known to exist that allow little hope for its passing.

Two years ago, upon advice from "headquarters" that a bill providing for not more than seven or eight fairs would meet with approval at the hands of the Governor, a measure providing for seven fairs was drawn and submitted for his inspection. Our chief executive expressed himself as more than pleased with the proposed legislation, and the matter was duly introduced into the proper channels of legislative procedure. Therein it became the target for amendment after amendment, until when it once more appeared at the executive desk it provided for so many districts that the Governor refused to give it consideration. We learn from interested persons "close to the Governor" in social and political circles that he fosters the same ideas in regard to the re-establishment of fairs that were so distinctly manifested in 1913, and that, even should the present bill pass both branches of the legislature, there is practically no chance that he will append the signature that is necessary for it to become operative.

For this reason we say that Assembly Bill Number Thirty-four leads to the inspiration of no hope for the relief we are looking for and which is so urgently needed.

The bill, as it stands, is a measure that would work a great good in California. The districts are well balanced and the appropriations, while not excessive, are of a sum sufficient to enable the giving of fairs where they are now not possible. State aid to the aggregate extent of $70,000 is proposed, divided evenly for the years of 1915 and 1916, and the districts as submitted and the sums in each case allotted, and also some of the more salient provisions of the bill, are as follows:

District No. 1.—Counties of San Francisco, Napa, Solano, Marin, Sonoma, Lake, Mendocino, $4000.

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District No. 6.—County of Los Angeles (no appropriation requested).

District No. 7.—Counties of Monterey, San Benito, Santa Cruz, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Ventura, $3000.

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District No. 11.—County of San Diego, $2000.

District No. 12.—County of Imperial, $1000.

District No. 13.—Counties of Mono, Inyo and Alpine, $750.

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Sec. 2. For the purpose of holding fairs, expositions or exhibitions of all of the industries and industrial enterprises, resources and products of every kind or nature of the district for which they are appointed, or of the state, with a view of improving, exploiting, encouraging and stimulating the same, there shall be a board of directors for each of such agricultural districts, consisting of one member from each county within the district, to be appointed by the governor of the State of California, but no district shall contain less than eight directors. In such districts as are composed of less than eight counties, one director at least shall be chosen from each county constituting the district. No person shall be appointed to the office of such director unless he is a citizen of the State of California and is actively engaged in agricultural, mining, manufacturing or stock raising pursuits within the district from which he may be appointed.

Sec. 5. .. .. .. They must provide for an annual fair, exposition or exhibition by the association of all industries and products in the district or state at such time as they by majority vote may determine upon, and at the place in each of their districts, respectively, which may be selected, chosen or designated as hereinafter provided; provided, that the state shall in no event be liable for any premiums offered or awards made or on account of any contract made by any district board of agriculture or agricultural association; provided, further, that any such agricultural association having a speedway or race course upon any lands owned or leased by it under its control, shall maintain the same for the purpose of holding speed contests and training and speeding horses thereon. All moneys received or collected by said board for admission fees, or by way of gifts or donations shall be under the sole control and possession of said board and shall be expended under its direction.

Sec. 6. The legislature shall, at each session hereafter provide in the general appropriation bill, or otherwise, for the maintenance and support of the agricultural districts created by this act.

Sec. 8. No sum appropriated by the state for aid to the district agricultural associations herein provided for and created or for any of them, shall be used for the payment of purses or premiums for speed contests, but shall be used exclusively for the payment of premiums upon bona fide exhibits of agricultural, horticultural, or mining or forestry products, and for the payment of premiums upon exhibits of domestic live stock, except as hereinafter provided in section thirteen of this act.

Sec. 11. It is further provided that no sum appropriated by the state in aid of the district agricultural associations herein provided for, or for any of them, shall be available or can be obtained or collected by any such association in any case where betting or gambling of any kind is allowed upon the grounds or premises controlled or used by said association, nor shall any intoxicating malt, vinous or spirituous liquors be permitted to be sold upon any grounds used by or occupied or under the control of any district agricultural association created hereby and receiving aid or support from the State of California.

Sec. 13. Each board of directors herein provided for, together with the members hereof, shall serve without pay, but each board shall be allowed its reasonable expenses, including the traveling expenses of the members thereof; and for advertising, printing, salaries and general office expenses of the board of directors, secretary and treasurer; provided, that the total of such allowance for all purposes does not exceed twenty per cent of the annual appropriation to any one such board.

In the light of former experience, and of recent conversation with persons competent to speak authoritatively on this matter, we would suggest that the real friends of the district fair bill amend it to provide for seven fairs in the years of 1915 and 1916, or that such a bill be drawn and introduced in place of the present one. We know that this is a difficult matter owing to the fact that every senator and assemblyman is hell-bent on a district fair for his home town or county, which is a manifest impossibility for the approximate future.

District fairs, under existing conditions, are not to be re-established with a whoop and a hurrah on a widespread scale. They must come back in moderate original numbers, and these events must be made in each and every case an unqualified success—every governing board must work in harmony and honesty with but one end in view, the perpetuation of a state-aided fair in that district. A successful seven means a future spread until the day will eventually come to hand when every community that can and will support a fair will have its own.

The time is most propitious in 1915 for the successful re-establishment of these local expositions. Attendance will be swelled from the ranks of countless pleasure seeking visitors. We have the natural resources for wonderful exhibits in agricultural and industrial departments, and the horses for the speed contests which draw the crowds to the grandstand for the greater portion of each day. The opportunity presented is too good to be allowed to pass profitlessly owing to individual selfishness, and we urge every stockman, farmer, and horseman to get in touch with his assemblyman and senator and request support for a measure that will mean ultimately the most good for the most people—which means a measure providing for not more than seven or eight fairs.

We would like to have the fourteen, don't mistake us on that point, but the stand we take is that it is better to take what we can get than to want what we cannot get, and so do without, utterly. Think it over—and act on our suggestion.

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WITH EASTERN AND NORTHWESTERN CIRCUITS already organized, in many instances, numerous meetings of circuit secretaries scheduled for the immediate future and very many individual dates claimed, it behooves California folks to get together and make up their minds as to what they are going to do in 1915, the year of our continuous "one big time." The stables at our winter training grounds are already pretty well filled, and newcomers at the various tracks are being announced pretty regularly, so there is no shortage of horses to fill classes straight through a good circuit. Moreover, we are in receipt of several inquiries from eastern horsemen who plan to come out for the exposition races, as to what other events of a similar nature California expects to stage between the big meetings, inquiries that imply that, given some other racing opportunities, some of these visitors would remain here during the entire season. Should the present legislature and the Governor provide district fairs the situation would be greatly simplified, as each one of these would rely on harness racing for the attraction of a goodly portion of their attendance, but as this matter is purely conjectural it will be well for the various independent associations that have been giving fairs and race meetings on their own responsibility to go ahead with their usual plans. The exposition cannot entertain all our people all the year, or provide all the entertainment sought by our visitors, as the great majority of them will pay their visit not merely to San Francisco, but to the state at large. We urge that this matter be given prompt and careful consideration and that we be advised of all action as soon as it is taken, "for or against," so that we may be able to give inquirers some definite information.

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LAST MINUTE NEWS reached us, just as our last forms were almost ready for the press, of the death on January 18, at Fullerton, of the old trotter and speed sire George W. McKinney 2:14½, whose get include a very recent world's champion and many other good ones. The old fellow got down in his stall at the establishment of his owner, Dr. B. C. McKlintock, and was so far gone when found in the morning that he was shot in order to end his suffering. Time and space forbid more than this mere mention of his passing, but more fitting attention will be paid his memory in our following issue.

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THE EARLY BIRD is generally accredited with the advantage of being able to "pick his pickings" from a wider range of choice tidbits than are presented to the late comer to the feast, and the application of the adage, in other but similar wording, stands good in many other lines. With stallion owners already reporting bookings to their horses for the breeding season of 1915, the realization is borne home to us that that time of the year is perilously near at hand, and that the time for stallion announcements is already with us.

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That a jitney bus will get you if you don't watch out!

San Francisco Driving Club

Tuesday evening's meeting of the San Francisco Driving Club at the rooms of the Mission Promotion Association was well attended and proved a very enjoyable affair. Three new members were admitted, as a good way for starting proceedings, and it was decided that for the future a board of directors, composed of five members, have charge of the general affairs of the organization.

The choosing of officers for the coming year was the principal event of the evening, the entries at the date of closing a week previously having been of a sufficiently generous nature for the secretary to declare all classes filled, and after a bit of warming up a pretty fair field of free-legged ones faced Starter Jimmie Ryan for the word. Troubles unexpectedly developed about this time, as W. J. Kenney, entered in the second vice-presidency stakes, declared his inability to make the race, and the judges allowed the stable to name a substitute, Adolph Ottinger being chosen to carry the wise money in that class. With "Ot" on his good behavior the bunch got away fast on the first score, and every entry won hands down. Nobody seemed inclined to take advantage of the no-record rule, and Clerk of the Course Jimmy McGrath "bracketed" the following winners: George Giannini, president; Jack Welch, first vice-president; Adolph Ottinger, second vice-president; James McGrath, third vice-president; Fred Lauterwasser, Jr., secretary; Fred Lauterwasser, Sr., treasurer; William Malough, sergeant-at-arms; R. Consani, J. Tassi, Fred Clotere, Henry Campodonico and Harold Cohn, board of stewards.

Nominations for the directors handicap were next in order, and the class was declared filled with five entries, most of them with win-race records in previous events held by the club, which made classification easy and guaranteed a well balanced field. They came into the stretch well bunched and couldn't be separated at the wire, so the judges clapped a directorate record on each one of the following: J. J. Ryan, A. Ottinger, John Newland, Will Kenney and J. Holland.

The club had for some time been in possession of the six cups pictured herewith, and awards were made of the same to the six leading horses of the season of 1914. For every race started in during the twelve meetings of the summer a horse received one point; for every win, three additional points; for every second, two points, and for every third, one point. The cup committee had carefully drawn up the season's summary on this system, and the following horses, with their owners, were awarded the cups: Happy Dentist (J. J. Ryan) 24½, Delilah (Jack Welch) 22½, Birdeye (A. Combatalade) 21½, Emma M. (W. Malough) 21½, Ishmael (Fred Lauterwasser) 21, Silver Hunter (Tom Ryan) 21. The awards were popular and the trophies were appropriate and handsome, and are highly valued as gifts of the following friends of the club: Mr. A. B. Spreckels, the Fairmount Hotel, the Palace Hotel, the Hamburg-American Line, Shreve, Treat & Eachret, and the Pacific Navigation Company. Happy Dentist, whose performances won for his owner the first choice of cups, is an ideal matinee horse and holds the coast matinee record of 2:06¼, 2:06¾, made at Sacramento. A number of whips, the gift of the Indoor Yacht Club and unawarded at a previous occasion, were also distributed among their winners.

The club's appreciation of the publicity accorded its affairs by the local press was shown by the bestowal of honorary membership upon the sporting editors of the Chronicle, Examiner, and this publication, and a vote of thanks was tendered the outgoing officers, who have labored long and tirelessly for the advancement of the club's welfare. At this point Mr. Ottinger again claimed the floor, and in a few warm and friendly phrases, generously backed by those in attendance, presented to Mr. Ryan on behalf of the club an appropriate remembrance in the shape of a diamond horseshoe scarf pin. "Ot" brought down the house by reference early in his remarks to "the gentleman we call Mr. Ryan, but whom I call Chimmie." Three cheers and a tiger greeted Jimmy as he rose to make a neat little speech of acceptance ,and the newly elected president, George Giannini, was accorded an equally hearty welcome. Impromptu talks were made by several of those present, welcome refreshments were served, and when the meeting broke up well along towards midnight, there was a most prevalent impression that the San Francisco Driving Club had entered upon the most enjoyable and successful year of its history. Already the boys are strengthening their stables, and when the bell rings at the Stadium on the first good Sunday in May they will be prepared to put up even an improvement on the kind of racing that has made the Golden Gate park track one of San Francisco's most popular Sunday afternoon gathering places.

The event of the winter in local circles of horse lovers will be the charity horse show, which is to be held the middle of next month at the Riding and Driving School at the Park.



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WATERING OF HORSES.

[By Ira Barker Dalziel, D. V.D.]

One of the greatest wrongs which we are committing on the animal world today is, I believe, the shameful manner in which horses, not only in San Francisco, but all over this country, are deprived, through negligence and lack of knowledge, of the amount of water which their nature demands and which is necessary to their good health.

Few of us have experienced the terrible agony of thirst, but we have heard of the fearful suffering endured by travelers in the desert when deprived of water, and we know that without it man can live but a few hours. So horrible is this form of suffering that man has taken ample precautions against it by providing himself with an abundant supply of water wherever he makes his abode.

Water is just as important to the horse as to man. Perhaps more so, for the horse has a smaller stomach in comparison to his size than any other animal. He is fed principally hay and grain—food with a very low percentage of moisture—and his anatomy is so constructed that he perspires freely and over a large area of his body. By reason of the work which is required of the horse, the average animal is constantly in a sweaty condition, even if the moisture is not visible on his coat. The amount of moisture consumed and thrown off in a day by a horse when working would seem incredible to the average person.

Unquestionably the horse is a noble animal and man's best friend, for whom he works faithfully, untiringly—in exchange for—what?

What he should get is plenty of pure water, good feed, a dry, comfortable stable, and his coat nicely cleaned daily. If so treated, his owner will be well paid, for he will do his work with much more ease and greater willingness and do more of it, with the result that the driver, as well as the horse, will be better contented and better off in every way.

The writer believes that very few horses receive the amount of water which they require. Water is just as important to a horse as feed. The oftener a horse is watered, the better it is for him. If he is given water often, he will never drink to excess. A horse not working, and standing in the stable, should be given water at least three times a day; when working, the rule should be: small quanaities and often.

The writer contends if a horse is properly watered, he will carry 100 to 150 pounds additional weight with the same amount of feed. He will be in better condition to perform his work, will live longer and be less likely to have indigestion and stomach trouble.

When a horse is working, I would say to water him, first in the morning before feeding. Then offer him water one or two hours after feeding, and again before his noon meal. Allow him an opportunity to drink occasionally during the afternoon and give him a small quantity of water when he reaches the stable at night, after which give him his feed of hay and grain. Two or three hours after he has finished his evening meal, probably between ten and eleven o'clock, give the animal all the water he cares to drink.

The last watering at night and the first in the morning, I consider the most important of all, and yet it is the time that the least number of horses are watered.

The conditions I observe in hundred of stables are that the horses come into the stable at 5:00 or 5:30 in the evening wet with perspiration and tired. They are hungry and anxious to get to their stalls to eat. The result is when they are sent to the trough to drink they take a few hurried swallows of water and pass on to their stalls, where hay is waiting. After eating their dry feed their system reasserts its demand for water and they are compelled to endure the agony of thirst throughout the night. In the morning they are fed again before they leave their stalls, and cannot enjoy their food on account of their great thirst. When they are finally allowed water they gulp down such a great quantity of it that their digestive organs become bloated, their food is not properly assimilated, and they cannot work at their best.

Good authorities state that animal tissue is composed of 75 per cent water, and water therefore is one of the most important elements necessary in the upkeep of the body. Anyone who will stop to think of the great amount of evaporation constantly going on in the body of a healthy horse will readily see the necessity of giving him plenty of water.

While the fact that the horse has a small stomach which soon empties, shows the necessity of watering him often, I think the humane societies could well take for their slogan: "Water your horse often," and if they succeeded only in remedying the great evil of insufficient watering, they would have accomplished a great good.

Anyone who doubts the correctness of these statements needs only to offer his horse water after feeding at night to see him drink and relish it. I will guarantee that any horse owner who will try the plan I have outlined for one month will see a marked improvement in the condition of his horses.

L. V. HARKNESS DIES IN CALIFORNIA

Lamon Vernon Harkness, third vice-president of the Standard Oil Company and second largest stockholder in that concern, extensive western land holder and as owner of the Walnut Hall Farm foremost among breeders of the American trotter, died Sunday morning about five o'clock at Paicines Rancho in San Benito county, the California home of his daughter, Mrs. A. King Macomber. Death was caused by diabetes and cirrhosis of the liver whose ravages have extended over a considerable period, and was not unexpected. Mr. Harkness had been in California this trip about six weeks, having made the visit on the advice of his physicians, who thought that life perhaps might be prolonged in this climate. Mr. and Mrs. A. King Macomber were with him at the end, and his other surviving children, Mrs. O. M. Edwards of Pittsburg and Harry Harkness of New York, made the trip across the continent to accompany the body on its journey to its last resting place in the family mausoleum in New York city.

Mr. Harkness was an associate of John D. Rockefeller in the organization of the Standard Oil Company and was said to be one of the largest individual taxpayers in the west. His ranch and realty holdings were of great extent, and though possessed of a magnificent home on Fifth avenue in New York, the greater portion of the time of both himself and his family was spent either in Kentucky or farther west. He was a member of the New York Yacht Club and an ardent lover of that sport, but it is as a breeder of trotters that his name has been carried highest in public esteem.

Always an admirer of the American light harness horse, and enriched to a fabulous figure by the golden flood that followed the firm establishment of the Standard Oil Company, Mr. Harkness, well along in the '90's and already owner of a goodly number of high class horses, set about the establishment of the greatest contemporary speed nursery in America, Walnut Hall Farm. Located some six or seven miles

om Lexington on the Newtown Pike, its six thou-
nd acres of farm land and rolling blue grass pas-
ures presented unrivaled natural facilities for the
reeding of horses, and no artificial improvement
hat would add to the beauty and efficiency of the
lant was left unmade. It seems almost futile to
omment upon the success attending the venture, as
or over fifteen years the farm has not for an instant
een out of the limelight that follows great achieve-
ients.

Many patrons of the various sales of recent years
o which the farm has been a consignor of youngsters
hat have commented on the chances taken in "pick-
ng 'em" among the babies, fail to recall the facts
hat in his selection of foundation stock Mr. Hark-
ess "went 'em one better." In the case of both
Moko and Walnut Hall (foaled in 1893 and 1898 re-
pectively) the subsequent great sires were bred by
ther parties but foaled the property of Mr. Hark-
ess. That these two individuals should have
chieved such a great success makes the significance
f the incidents more pronounced.

Moko obtained his first performer in 1899, when
is two-year-old daughter Fereno won the trotting
ivision of the Kentucky Futurity for her age, and
o son of Baron Wilkes has done so much to estab-
ish the nickname of the house so generally applied—
the futurity family." The get of no other one horse
ave figured more prominently in the great colt
lassics of the trotting turf. Nearly a hundred and
wenty-five of his get have achieved standard rec-
rds; his list of performers includes Brenda Yorke
3) 2:08¾, (5) 2:04¼, Fereno (2) 2:17, (2) 2:10¾,
5) 2:05½, Tenara 2:05¾, Native Belle (2) 2:07¾,
3) 2:06½, Manrico (3) 2:07¼, Virginia Barnette (3)
:08¼, Silver Silk (4) 2:08½, Brighton 2:08¾, Susie
. (3) 2:09¼, Adbell M. (3) 2:09¾, Gomoko 2:10,
obel (3) 2:10¼, Siliko (3) 2:11¼, Leftwich (3)
:12, Chesko (3) 2:19¼, etc., etc., and his daughters
ave produced in addition to the world's champion
rotting stallion The Harvester 2:01, the great four-
ear-olds Martha Tipton 2:09¼ and Vito 2:09½, and
nany others.

Walnut Hall, foaled a year later than Fereno,
aved the way for a great future in the stud by a
rilliant performance as a race horse. As a two-
ear-old he followed in the footsteps of Fereno by
inning the two-year-old trotting division of the Ken-
ucky Futurity, though in considerably slower time,
nd as a three-year-old took second money in that
ivision of the same classic. As a four-year-old
e broke into the charmed circle with a bit to spare,
nd in his five-year-old form (his last year as a cam-
aigner) he raced to his present record of 2:08¼
n a winning performance at Memphis. In 1905 ap-
eared his first performer, Noma (2) 2:19, who proved
er sire's ability to transmit his characteristics by
inning the two-year-old division of the American
Horse Breeder Futurity.

It was Mr. Harkness' belief that the Moko-Walnut
Hall cross could scarcely fail to produce speed of a
ost convincing nature, carrying, as it would, direct
rosses to fountain heads of trotting speed through
Baron Wilkes, Mambrino Patchen, Strathmore,
Volunteer, Electioneer, Mohawk Chief, Red Wilkes,
Almont, etc. Pursuant to this conviction, Walnut
Hall, in the year following his permanent retirement
o the stud, was allowed to serve, among others, the
hen five-year-old daughter of Moko, Notelet, whose
dam was Tablet by Cuyler. The result of this union
vas more than convincing evidence of the soundness
f Mr. Harkness' theory, for the brown baby that
oddled about the blue grass pastures at the flank of
he young matron was The Harvester, sold as a
ialter broken yearling for $9,000 at public auction,
vinner as a three-year-old of the Kentucky, Horse
Review and Stock Farm Futurities and present hold-
r of the trotting stallion crown and other world's
ecords. Other daughters of Moko to the cover of
Walnut Hall have produced O'Neill 2:07¼, Martha
Tipton 2:09¼ and others.

Ozono, foaled in 1902, by Moko and out of Ozama
(dam of the Transylvania winner Ozanna 2:07, etc.)
by Director, was kept in service at the farm for a
ime as a probable successor to his sire, but though
he sired among others the good three-year-old pacer
Tilly Tipton 2:09¼, (4) 2:06¼ (1914) and the trotter
Homestake 2:08½ (both records taken after he had
passed from the ownership of Mr. Harkness) he
failed to come up to the required standard and was
sold to J. M. Kilbourn, El Reno, Okla.

California's interest in the great establishment
founded by Mr. Harkness was heightened in 1910,
when San Francisco was chosen as the stud mate for
Moko and Walnut Hall, as the most promising horse
of the country with whom to mate daughters of the
Farm's premiers. San Francisco, who was bred by
Peter W. Hodges and is a son of Zombro 2:11 and
Oniska by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, first attracted
public attention in the summer of 1908 at Readville,
when he finished third in his maiden race, the fam-
ous $50,000 American Derby, second money being
generally conceded to have been wrested from him
by the wizardry of Myron McHenry as a driver rather
than the superiority of Prince C. as a trotter. Later
in the same year he raced to a record of 2:07¾ in a
winning race at Columbus. The following season he
forced Uhlan to trot in 2:03¾ to beat him at Cleve-
land in the 2:07 class, being separately timed in
2:04½, and later in the same week, far from being
tuned up for such an effort, he pulled Ed Geers a
mile in :33¼, 1:04, 1:35, 2:04¾, starting against
hope to beat the stallion record of 2:02¼ then held
by Cresceus. Now the sire of fifteen two- and three-
year-old performers, only one a pacer, San Francisco
occupies a commanding position as a speed progen-
itor and at the two most recent sales to which the
farm was a consignor, his get have outsold those of
either of his stud companions.

By the purchase of Manrico (3) 2:07¼ in the fall
of 1912 as the most worthy youngster in the land to
succeed his sire, Moko, when the latter's day of use-
fulness should have passed, the bond between the
Blue Grass and the Golden State was further cement-
ed, as the laddie was bred by a Californian, Mr. E. T.
Barnette of Los Angeles, and trained and driven by
our native son wizard of the reins, William G. Dur-
fee. Moreover, the race which led to Manrico's pur-
chase stands alone among the notable summaries of
the various events of the series of the Kentucky clas-
sics in some important features. Most notable of
these, perhaps, is that the winner trotted the fastest
mile of the race in the last time out, wherein he
secured his present record and established a new
mark for a sixth heat in a race by a trotter, 2:07¼,
a record which stands today. That Manrico will
achieve the success expected of him as a sire is a
most prevalent belief, as he has everything in his
favor, both "within" and "without."

As Walnut Hall Farm had established itself as the
model of its kind of the world and one of the great
show places of the Blue Grass, so is the younger
project on the Golden Slope, Paicines Rancho, rapidly
forging to the occupancy of a unique position among
its kind. Established but a few years, the thousands
of acres of fertile valley and rugged mountain had
won themselves high place in the heart of Mr. Hark-
ness and his family, who in the three years just
gone by have spent much time within their boun-
daries. A great irrigation system has been put in
operation, landscape gardening indulged in, orchards
developed, and feed raised and pasturage provided
for the bands of horses and cattle that find it home,
while the hacienda, an echo of the old days of the
Spanish occupation, was completed but a year ago
and is of an extent and luxury of furnishing un-
dreamed of by the vanished Dons. The trotter has
never been extensively developed at Paicines, which
is under the active management of Dr. H. J. Ma-
comber, though the standard stallion Dictatus Me-
dium is in service there, but the French Draft horse
and registered cattle, of both beef and dairy breeds,
are present in abundance and the highest degree of
excellence.

Walnut Hall has been long "in the making," and
its fame has spread throughout the world; under the
able management of Superintendent Burgoyne the
work may go on with success and profit even though
the master be gone forever and a day, and that it
may be inestimably longer "in the breaking" is the
fervent wish of every lover of the trotter.

LIVE STOCK ON NATIONAL FORESTS.

Authorization has been secured from the Secretary
of Agriculture to graze on the National Forests of
California for the season of 1915, 212,280 cattle and
horses, 505,750 sheep and goats, and 7,950 swine.
Compared with the grazing season of 1914, these
numbers constitute a net increase of 3,530 cattle and
horses, 460 sheep and goats, and 325 swine. During
the year approximately 835,000 acres, which support-
ed 5,000 cattle and horses, 18,300 sheep and goats, and
1,000 swine under National Forest permits, were
eliminated from the forests. This, considered in
connection with the above authorization for 1915,
makes a favorable showing in carrying capacity,
since it means an increase of 11,230 cattle and horses,
18,760 sheep and goats, and 1,325 swine on the areas
retained.

The National Forests are accommodating more live
stock each year as better methods of handling are
brought about and new and unutilized areas are
brought into use through trail construction, water
development, and other means.

Alonzo McDonald's Stable

ROBERT A. SMITH, Correspondent

California's charm as well as its golden metal has
been the incentive, since the days of the forty-
niners, of many of its invasions by the wide-awake
easterners. Since the official announcement, in the
early part of 1913, of the programs of harness races
to be given in connection with the Panama-Pacific
Exposition, on its specially constructed mile track at
San Francisco the coming season, at which a quarter
of a million dollars will be distributed to the horse-
men, California horsedom has been on the "qui vive."
As the periods of the various "payments" in the big
stakes elapsed, the lists were eagerly scanned for the
names of sensational grand circuit performers, some
of which are already in our midst in the stable of
"Lon" McDonald of Indianapolis, Ind., who has been
a "headliner" in the Grand Circuit for many years.
At the conclusion of the Grand Circuit last fall, at
Lexington, Lon earned winter oats and shipping ex-
penses at Dallas and Phoenix, subsequently shipping
to Exposition Park, Los Angeles, where he is now
"hibernating" with eleven head. These he will pre-
pare for their engagements at the 'Frisco meeting,
in June. The McDonald stable would, of course, be
lonely and incomplete without "Ed" Avery, who has
been its very efficient, conscientious and courteous
assistant trainer for over ten years.

In the trotting division is the seven year old brown
gelding McCloskey 2:06¼ by Theodosius, dam by
Odd Socks. This fellow was a contender in the
M. and M. last year, won a heat in 2:06¼ at Kalama-
zoo, Mich., and in ten starts in the Grand Circuit
won upward of $10,000. As he has no win-race rec-
ord he is eligible to the green classes and will be
entered in a couple of races at the "Fair."

Star Winter 2:05 is a bay gelding by Ed Winter
2:12¾, dam Elsie B. E. by Conquest Star, son of
Nelson 2:09. Star Winter is an "income bearer," as
after winning over $20,000 in 1913 he declared a
similar annual dividend in 1914, earnings obtained by
annexing seven stakes, winning his first five stakes
in the Grand Circuit without suffering the loss of a
single heat, listed himself in the 2:05 class, in the
third heat at Cleveland, when he defeated the top-
heavy favorite Lulu Lumine 2:09¼, and later forced
the sensational Etawah to go in 2:03½ to outbid him
on the Lexington Exchange. He will be entered in
the free-for-all trot at the Exposition and is owned
by Mr. W. M. G. Snell of New Bedford, Mass.

The Duchess 2:07¼ is a roan mare by Allerteen,
son of Allerton 2:09¼. This mare won in the begin-
ning of the season at Cleveland in 2:08¾, raced well
"along the line," and wound up the year by defeating
a good field at Phoenix, Ariz., where she was tagged
with a win-race record of 2:07¼. She will be en-
tered in the $5,000 stake for the 2:08 class trotters
at the Panama-Pacific June meeting.

Laramie Lad, record 2:20 (half-mile track), mat-
inee record 2:12 to wagon, and breeder's record
2:09¾, is a bay gelding by Master Bo, by Oronteo, a
son of Electioneer, dam by Oronteo. This "lad" was
shipped to "Lon" at Indianapolis April 1st last year
by the enthusiastic Colorado horseman, Geo. N.
Black of Denver. During the season of 1913 this
gelding raced to a half-mile track record of 2:20, and
drew a wagon a mile in 2:12 at one of the matinees
of the Denver Driving Club. While in "Lon's" prep-
aration of the horse, he was purchased by Mr.
"Stote" Fletcher, the wealthy banker of Indianapolis,
Ind., who was also the owner of the lamented Squan-
tum (3) 2:11¼, and has been carried along, educa-
tionally. At the Kalamazoo meeting "Lon" worked
him a comfortable mile in 2:06. After a careful
"prep" he also will probably be raced in a couple of
stakes at the bay city.

Hallmark 2:11¼ is a five-year-old bay stallion by
Walnut Hall 2:08¼, dam Hallie Simmons by Sim-
mons. As a three-year-old, in the Western Horseman
Futurity, Hallmark beat Etawah 2:03½ a heat in
2:11¼, winning second money, while later at Lexing-
ton he trotted a heat in 2:08¾ in the stallion stake.
Last year as a four-year-old he was worked only
moderately, with the intention of staking him in his
maturer form. This is the entry of the McDonald
stable in the $20,000 trot in June at the "Big Show."

Adbell M. (3) 2:11¼, breeder's record 2:09¾, is
a brown horse, sired by Moko, dam Miss Adbell
2:09¾. This young horse topped the summary in
the $2,000 stake for three-year-old trotters at Pitts-
burg, beating a good field and getting a record of
2:11¼. It is a rather peculiar coincidence that by
acquiring a breeder's record of 2:09¾, he tied the
record of his illustrious mother who, it will be re-
called, won the Kentucky Futurity by defeating the
sensational filly Susie N., in 1905. Mr. W. B. Wil-
liams of Boston, Mass., a patron of Mr. McDonald
for many years, is the owner of this splendid colt.

Baron Todd 2:11¼ is a brown horse by Todd
2:14¾, dam Baroness Rosalind by Baron Wilkes.
This horse has been raced a little, has a record of
2:11¼ and looks like better than a 2:10 trotter. He
is also owned by Mr. Snell of New Bedford, Mass.

The pacers of the stable include Margot Hal
2:04¼, bay mare by Argot Hal 2:07¼, dam Mary C.
(dam of Kruger 2:04) by Tennessee Wilkes. Margot
Hal won six races in the Grand Circuit in 1913, but
"got off" early in the season of last year, and was
laid over for the "big doings" at San Francisco.

Hedgewood Patchen, chestnut gelding by Hedge-
wood Boy 2:01, dam by Patchen Boy 2:10½, who is
already well known on the coast as he was brought
out by Dick Wilson, is a pacer of much promise; has
not been hurried in his training, has a mile in 2:07½
to his credit and is owned by Mr. Fletcher of Indian-
apolis.

Miss Harris M. is a bay filly, three years old, by
Peter the Great 2:07¼, dam Mary Allen Stout by
Ondale. This filly has been raised in the McDonald
kindergarten, since a weanling, and will be gotten
ready to race this year in five Futurities in the
Grand Circuit.

His Nibs is a bay horse by Cochato, dam Ade Lar-
abie by Larabie 2:12. His Nibs was bred and is
owned by the well known lumberman, Mr. Alexander
Maclaren of Buckingham, P. Q., who owned Larabie.
This young horse has had very little schooling but
is a sure-enough trotter.

NOTES and NEWS

A number of mares have already been booked to Robert Bingen 2:11¼ and Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½.

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The Horse Review Racing Guide for 1914 is out and is well worth every cent asked for it, and a little bit more, for the occasional use of the average horseman.

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Al Schwartz will probably move his string of horses either to San Jose or Pleasanton about February 15th, as he has too many to handle conveniently at his present location.

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Fred Haight is teaming T. W. Barstow's old top pacer Highfly 2:04¼, now thirteen years old, in the ice races across the border and getting his share of the money. The old boy reeled off one half-mile at Winnipeg in 1:02¼.

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Jim Creck has sent to Trainer Matt Zahner at the San Jose track the three-year-old filly by Guy Carlton 2:30, out of the full sister to the trotter Our Jack 2:13¼, by Steinway, dam Inex by Sweepstakes.

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A. W. Morris of Woodland, whose fame as a successful Holstein-Friesian breeder is practically world wide, is in the east on a visit to his former home and various of the great dairy and Holstein-Friesian farms.

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At a meeting of the K. T. H. B. A. at Lexington Tuesday the renewal of the Kentucky Futurity was announced. The estimated value of the event is $21,000, apportioned between two- and three-year-old trotters and three-year-old pacers.

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A number of California horsemen are at Bakersfield for the big events in coast dogdom, the field trials. John W. Considine, Frank Ruhstaller, Charley DeRyder and C. Christenson all had entries in the major events, and nary one of 'em wore hobbles.

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W. F. Whittier is spending several days down in the Hemet Valley country, combining business with pleasure—the former consists of looking after some of the improvements under way in connection with the irrigation project, and the latter in visiting with the horses at Hemet Stock Farm.

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Jimmy Ryan, who received a diamond horseshoe pin from the San Francisco Driving Club members Tuesday evening, now has enough trinkets of this particular description to shoe a pony sized pacer all around. He still has a "flat wheel" from his spill of last summer, but that will not interfere with his riding some fast miles when the fun season starts.

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William Cecil, the colored driver who was for years head trainer at the establishment of the late Martin Carter, is located at the San Jose track with a couple of stake prospects owned by H. G. Angevine of San Jose. One is the three-year-old filly Loma Logan by Prince McKinney (2) 2:29¼, out of Berta Logan by Bert Logan 2:16, and the other is the two-year-old colt Jake Logan, out of the same mare to the cover of Nearest McKinney 2:13¼.

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Peter Volo (3) 2:03¼, now at Poughkeepsie in Tommy Murphy's hands, will be allowed a limited number of mares this season at a fee of five hundred dollars, and will then be fitted for a try for the stallion record, now held by The Harvester 2:01. From his past performances it would be no great surprise to see him break into the list of two-minute trotters, which would then have a representation from all three classifications—mare, gelding, and stallion.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Coxe of Paoli, Pennsylvania, arrived here early in the week for another winter visit in California, their objective point being Coronado. They made the trip over the northern routes, visiting International 1:55 Farm at Savage, and stopping at Spokane and Portland. San Francisco claimed their time for a few days, and a visit to Pleasanton was made before the journey south was resumed. Hard luck to Peter Thompson (3) 2:07½ puts Mr. Coxe where he has no candidate for the exposition stakes and classes, as everything in training at the farm at home this winter belongs to the youngster class.

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Two visitors to San Francisco during the week were Secretary C. W. Paine of the State Agricultural Society and Henry Helman of Salinas. Rumor has it that the genial secretary returned home minus three pounds of excess flesh, lost in the activities pursuant to the successful dodging of the endless chain of jitney busses on Market street, a strenuous exercise for which he was less fitted than his lengthy friend from down country. Henry has been dispensing with caretaker service lately and doing his own cooling out, etc., so that he is hard as nails. Moreover he has another advantage over the Sacramentan, as he can edge in between two passing cars in about the same space required for a lamp post or a telephone pole, while the leeway required for safe clearance in Charley's case is—well, a little more. Just a little, and then some!

Ben Walker, who is wintering at the San Jose track, has three good sidewheelers in his stable at present: Kinneysham 2:13¼, by Stanford McKinney and out of the great matron Cora Wickersham by Junio 2:22; Mountain Dee (3) 2:24½, by Charley D. 2:06¼—Mountain Maiden (dam of Tom Carneal 2:08¼, etc.) by Cresco, and the green pacer Inyo Boy by Oseto 2:13½, son of McKinney 2:11¼. The latter pair are newcomers to Ben's stable and at present are scheduled for jogging only, but both have shown well in former work and Ben will get all out of 'em that is in 'em.

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The special carrying the remains of the late L. V. Harkness started on the eastward journey for New York Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock and is scheduled to reach its destination Sunday at noon. The equipment consisted of a private coach, a sleeper, diner, and funeral car, and the members of the party on board include Mr. and Mrs. A. King Macomber of Paicines Rancho, Mrs. O. E. Edwards of Pittsburg, and Harry S. Harkness of New York.

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Rumors that Clara Mac was for sale led us to seek information at headquarters, and Mr. Considine confirms the report that the daughter of Expressive Mac is on the market providing anyone wants her at what she is worth. She was purchased with the express intention of pointing her for the big 2:06 pace at the exposition, and had such keen competition been expected at Sacramento she would never have been a starter in the race that retired her from that class. She has demonstrated Grand Circuit calibre, and as Mr. Considine does not believe that the opportunities offered for racing her in 1915 in California exclusively are sufficiently extensive, and he does not care to maintain two campaigning stables at this time, therefore he has come to the conclusion that some "big line" owner will find her much more profitable than will he himself.

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John W. Considine of Seattle, San Francisco, New York and a number of other places handy to hail from has just been at Woodland, watching the way the youngsters are coming along. Incidentally there will be a lot more youngsters around the place pretty pronto, as Superintendent Dowling reports that present indications are for at least an eighty per cent foal crop and that the incubator is "settin' " on a batch of four hundred eggs. This also indicates something else—that a certain turf scribe whose name need not be mentioned will have important business to transact at Woodland Stock Farm about the time fryers are ripe, very important business. Harry reports all the horses on the place in excellent shape, and Clara Mac is getting her winter exercise in a way she is well accustomed to—to pole, with Lottie Ansel for her mate. They take the road all the way, and the boss claims the greatest pair of pole pacers in the state in the shape of a couple of Prince Ansel mares. What the latter are he failed to say, but we have a hunch that they are the full sisters Josie Ansel and Princess Josie, as those two would certainly make a great team.

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A friend at the front breaks it to us gently that the neutrality of the winter training grounds at the Woodland Stock Farm has been "Belgiumed" clear off the map and that the "armed camp" appearance of Europe is rapidly stamping itself upon the environs of the Yolo county speed nursery. The way of the opening of hostilities was thusly: On the evening of Monday of this week General Hi Hogoboom drew up his cavalry just inside the gate to the historic battlefield where so many good race horses have fit an' bled an' died for their country (and a share of the money), and announced in tones that all might hear that he had almost spent the entire first money in this year's three-year-old pacing division of the Breeders' Futurity, having the same already won with Little Express, who headed the summary of the two-year-old division at Salinas, stating further that the only reason he hadn't spent all the money was because (evidently the confounded censors found something here that the rules of civilized warfare prohibit passing through the lines, as the reason has been eliminated. Anyway, any married man knows that "because" is a good and valid reason for a whole raft of important things, and we let it go at that.) At this moment Admiral Elmo Montgomery, occupying the bridge of a land going record destroyer of the improved Effie Logan type, returned from a patrol of the adjacent highways and loosed a broadside to the effect that he was now right "on the inside" with the torpedo boat Bondalean, which was almost retired from the engagement at Salinas on account of damage to the port propeller from a stray shot, but which harassed the enemy considerably at a not-too-distant range. A second charge was loosed upon the surprised adherents of Her Equine Majesty Little Express by the proclamation by Admiral Jay Eee that all her rights, titles, vested interests, etc., in the three-year-old division money were abrogated, forfeited, etc., by the past performance of his princeling. When our correspondent sought refuge in flight the conflict was growing faster and faster and title to much more than the mere stake money hung in jeopardy, much more. The belligerents are each determined to strip the other to the hide, and the spoils of the victor promise to include several acres of Yolo land, an automobile, a short horn bull, a "pole an' chiny" sow about to pig, numerous colts and fillies and three settin's of eggs. What a holocaust, my countrymen — especially if the old sow should happen to farrow in the midst of "them eggs"!

A letter from Hunter Moody at Lexington speaks glowingly of the Woodland youngsters, all the get of Prince Ansel, that arrived safely at his quarters early this month. They are of an extremely uniform type, and Moody believes from their actions in harness that they are the making of a great bunch of trotters. Johnny Ray's horses went in the same shipment, which was in charge of George Dumage, and the farm sent two of its choice matrons at the same time to be bred to Suldine (1) 2:24¾, Mr. Considine's great young son of Worthy McKinney and Carrietta, which Dumage reports to be a fine type of a trotter and a show horse as well. Oniska, dam of San Francisco 2:07¾, was one of the pair, and the other was Rosemint, dam of Arista Ansel (2) 2:18¼, etc.

HOMER MACK SETS ICE RECORD.

California horses do not get much experience racing over the ice in their native haunts, but several have gone to the colder countries and delivered the goods in pretty fair shape over the routes where the sharp calks are necessary if the wigglers would refrain from "doing the split" that used to be so popular on the variety stage. The latest one to achieve high success is Homer Mac, who has been a pretty regular winner across the line on the midwinter circuit, and whose three heats over the half-mile track at Toronto in 2:14¼, 2:14¼ and 2:14 constitute the world's record for that kind of going. In another race on the same course he approached within a quarter second of the heat record with a mile in 2:13½, so neither event was a false alarm.

Homer Mac, now seven years old and apparently never better, was bred by Dr. C. Edgar Smith of Los Angeles and is by Petigru 2:10½, out of Eagletta 2:11½ by Ketchum 2:16¼, second dam Lady Mac by McKinney 2:11¼. He began his racing career as a four-year-old and obtained his present record that season at Phoenix after a campaign over the tracks of the northwest and western Canada, having been a profitable horse over the Dominion tracks ever since. He passed as a youngster to the ownership of J. W. McClain of Monarch, Alberta, and has been raced by Jim Stewart, who is still doing the teaming.

HENRY HELMAN'S WINTER STABLE.

Henry Helman, who winters at home at the Salinas track and campaigns in the northwest, is jogging four head of "go getters" at present and breaking some youngsters, so that he manages to keep fairly busy most of the days except Sunday, when he only puts in double time. Mack Fitzsimmons2:13½ heads the trotters and is a good one at that way of going for Bob Fizsimmons, whose get include the fast northwestern pacer Ovieda 2:05 that was a good winner last season. Mack is owned by B. F. Jagger of Portland and carries two developed dam direct traces, his dam being Jennie Mack 2:18¼ by High Noon, second dam Little M. 2:22 by Wildbrino. Boniola (2) 2:25¼, owned by George W. Newbill of Ballston, Ore., took her mark over the half-mile track at Eugene, and Henry thinks her the best yet of the Bonadays, the blood of the son of Bon Voyage being backed by successive maternal crosses to McKinney, Direct and Steinway, with more good sound blood behind that.

The other trotter of the quartet is the two-year-old Ben Bond by The Bondsman, whose dam is Silver Haw (dam of Helen Stiles 2:06¼, a world's record holder, etc.) by Silver Bow, sire also of the dam of Hymettus 2:07, etc. This lad, who is the property of Shreves & Jagger of Portland, is a likely looking trotter and is staked both here on the coast and in the eastern classics, and while Henry hasn't found out much about him yet he is being put in shape to "answer the question" well in advance of his engagements.

The Senator has a right good pacer in the five-year-old black horse Prince Zolock, whose record of 2:16¼ was taken as a three-year-old in the stake for that age and gait at the Oregon State Fair at Salem. He was bred and is still owned by H. A. Gardner of Walla Walla, and is a son of Zolock 2:05¼ (the famous race horse and speed siring son of McKinney recently exported to Europe) and out of Princess Direct by Teddy A., a son of Diablo 2:09¼, second dam Lady Mack by Direct 2:05½. This lad stayed in the money consistently last year, and gave indication of what may reasonably be expected of him in the future in the mixed class at North Yakima in which Dean Swift 2:08 took his record, his standing in that event being 2-2-2 and the time 2:08¼, 2:08, 2:09¼.

In addition to these Henry is breaking three youngsters by his own stallion Alconda Jay, by Jay Bird, two of them out of McKinney mares and the other out of Ivoneer 2:27 (dam of North Star 2:11¼) by Eugeneer, second dam Salinas Belle (dam of Dictatress 2:09¾, etc.) by Vermont; all of them have license by breeding to develop into profitable campaigners.

The barns at Salinas are in nice shape and excellent repair, the track is well kept, and a number of local horsemen are coming out from town for easy winter jogging, while a bit later a few of them will probably locate at the grounds and begin manufacturing a bit of speed. The rains have put a good season in the ground, and farmers—including the lengthy trainer—are awaiting the let-up to do quite a bit of farming.

THE THIRTY-SIXTH AVENUE STABLES.

The fun track at the Stadium where the weekly matinees of the driving clubs are staged during the season, does not become deserted even in mid-winter, as there are a number of horses being jogged over it daily and kept in shape for the opening of the matinee season and the coming of the professional events later on. Both the McKinney Stables and the Prak Amateur Stables are fairly convenoval, and the boys are beginning jogging a little stiffer or longer and will soon be making some real speed.

Al Schwartz, at the McKinney Stables, has the largest bunch of any of the boys at this season, and his patrons plan for indulging in both classes of the sport—for fun and for keeps. J. J. Ryan has two in Al's hands, the old reliable king pin matinee pacer of the coast, Happy Dentist, looking good for countless more scraps in harness, and the trotter St. Patrick 2:11½, purchased at the DeRyder sale. This lad is stout and husky, has a good set of legs under him, and ought to be good in his class in either end of the game. Figuring that the Irish trotter and the green pacer he has in Jack Villar's stable at San Jose will be about all he needs for this season to get cash and cups with, Jimmy has put Happy on the market, and somobody will pick up a mighty fine fun horse in this son of Nutwood Wilkes.

For F. Gommet, Schwartz is handling the five-year-old Baby Gommet and her sire Prince McKinney. The Baby is a good going thing out of Arawanna B. by Dexter Prince and worked last year in 2:12, so she looks to be a good new one for her sire. Incidentally Prince McKinney got a pretty fair starter for his list last season in the pacing mare Sweet Princess 2:13¼, and his representation for 1915 ought to get a pretty good boost.

Adolph Ottinger's horses, Zulu Belle 2:06¼, Dick W. 2:06¼, Copper the Ore 2:10¼, all of whom are



HAPPY DENTIST OUTFOOTING SENATOR H. AND TEDDY BEAR AT THE STADIUM

too familiar to race goers and matinee attendants here on the coast to need any introduction, are all wintering nicely and looking good for the beginning of their work. The Belle holds the Stadium race record and in his new trotter Agnes Carter (2) 2:20 (a daughter of Nutwood Wilkes and Excella by Monbells 2:23½, second dam the great brood mare Expressive 2:12½) Mr. Ottinger is confident that he has one of the best mares he has ever owned. She was rough haired and fresh from pasture when he purchased her but her quality "showed through" very distinctly, and now that she is clipped she appears to much better advantage. She is most excellent as an individual and has previously shown her trotting qualities.

Hamburg Belle 2:12¼, J. Ginocchio's speedy sidewheeler that was a big card in the faster pacing classes at the Stadium last year, is as fit as a fiddle and has all her speed right on tap. She is getting quite a bit of winter exercise to pole with William Tell, and the pair make a great fun team, good mannered, fearless, and ready to brush at a two-ten clip whenever you ask it. The auto drivers turn to look as this team goes by.

Al has several of his own that look good and have been carefully carried along with the intention of racing this year. The four-year-old chestnut stallion Ray Alto by Iran Alto—Lorenzo Girl by Monterey is a fine cut of a trotter, with lots of compactly assembled power and fine finish; that he has the speed there is is attested by three-year-old workouts in 2:25. Soreta, the daughter of San Francisco 2:07¾ and out of Burnside (sister to Bodaker's dam, etc.) by Jay Bird, has trotted in 2:14 and got some racing experience last year in the matinees. Jerry D. by Sidney Howard, dam by McKinney, has paced in 2:10, and at the right of the entrance to the establishment are the quarters of the stable favorite, William Tell. This lad is only a four-year-old, and worked last season in 2:11; he has the manners of an old campaigner and his friends are looking for things from him. His sire is Welcome Wilkes and his dam a daughter of Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½.

With this many horses to handle, Al finds the distance between stable and track a bit inconvenient, and plans to take his string either to Pleasanton or San Jose some time in the fore part of February.

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Joe Vermet has stable room here for the youngster that raced in a few matinees last season under the name of Cookie. He is now but a three-year-old, with two-year-old work in 2:26 to his credit, and is a racy looking lad from whom Joe is deriving a good deal of daily pleasure. He is a full brother to Maurice S. 2:06, the King S. pacer with which Dick Wilson made such a good campaign a few seasons back, and looks at this time to be the making of an equally good one.

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Hugh Boyle has a likely pair of pacers in the same stable, one of which he hails as the fastest thing in the house and then goes on to prove it. This lass is a six-year-old chestnut mare named Edith Light by Searchlight 2:03¼, out of Edith 2:10 by Dexter Prince, and before Hugh got her she had paced in 2:11, with a half in 1:00 and a quarter in :28½. She had a physical peculiarity that interfered with her successful handling for speed, but she has been bred once, produced a foal, and the detrimental characteristic has disappeared. She is a nice turned thing, good headed and well behaved, and she goes to the races this year. Hugh's other sidewheeler is Zorankin, with a standard record as a trotter as a two-year-old, and this little gentleman is delivering a big money's worth in pleasure for the hundred dollar bill invested in him. Mrs. Boyle drives Zo in as fast company as she meets with on the road, then rides him for a change. Hugh could have cashed this fellow not long after his purchase, but the "better half" of the firm has declared "no price" on Zorankin. Mel Keefer claimed him to be a perfect fun horse, and to date the Boyles are in full accord with that claim.

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Up at the barn on the hill from the park Hans Frellson is wintering a couple of the Stadium king pins, the pacer Pointer Belle 2:17½ by Star Pointer 1:59¼, belonging to Kidd & Luce, and the Ahlers trotter Matawan 2:13¼, who was a bit too much for most of the fun trotters. Both ought to be as good or better than ever for 1915, and S. Christenson's gelding Brutus is again giving all the promise of becoming a great horse. The most recent addition to Hans' string is the four-year-old colt Silkworthy, by Morgan Axworthy 2:17, out of Clear Silk 2:20¼ by Prodigal 2:16, purchased at the DeRyder sale by Mr. Christenson for the account of Dr. Wilson Anderson of this city. He is one of the handsomest little fellows imaginable, richly colored and most symmetrically put together, and has a very nice way of going, all that was being asked of him in the past being a half in 1:11 and a quarter in :34.

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F. E. Burton is wintering quite a bunch of the "regulars" and a number of new comers, topped by Harold Cohn's good pacer Vera Hal 2:05, "fat as fat," newly ironed off and just beginning her jogging for the spring "prep." It was originally the intention to breed her to Jim Logan 2:01¾ this year, and the resultant foal ought to go some by all theories of breeding, but the owner can't make up his mind to say good-by to her racing days, as she is as sweet a matinee pacer as they make 'em, and is not outclassed on professional tracks. She is a daughter of Expressive Mac, sire of Clara Mac 2:04½, etc., but is bred quite differently on her dam's side from the Considine star. Muggins, the trotter that Harold likes to drive from way behind and beat 'em at the wire, looks pretty fit, as does also Ben Cohn's mare Ateka 2:19¾, whose matinee mark is several seconds faster.

Kinney Lou Jr., by Kinney Lou, dam by Boodle, showed lots of speed in his colt form and Burton was banking on him for this season, but some hard luck from bumping in the stall has put him on the shelf for the immediate future. Farewell, the five-year-old son of Bon Voyage owned by Jno. Hecker, matineed at the trot last year in 2:20 and looks better for 1915, and another one of last year's performers at the Stadium that ought to do better than repeat this season is Peaches by Aptos Wilkes, out of a Dexter Prince mare, that paced in 2:18 as a four-year-old for Billy Clough. Frank also has the trotting mare Liberty H. by Guy McKinney, out of a daughter of Nutwood Wilkes, that has shown fair trotting speed, and he is especially pleased with the youngster knocked down to Ben Cohn at DeRyder's sale, Bonquin by Quintell 2:12¼, out of Lily Young by McKinney. He showed a mile in 2:27 before being turned out as a two-year-old, and though coming to Frank a bit thin he is doing well and acts like a youngster with trotting ambitions.

President Dan Hoffman of the California Driving Club has his 1915 hopefuls in Burton's care, Monica McKinney 2:11¼ and Jonesie Mac. Monica, whom her friends will insist on hailing as "Yellow Mary," is a right good lady in her class, and the other member of the pair is bred and built to be a better one. He is by Carlokin 2:07½, one of the best sires in the west, and out of Walda by Waldstein, second dam Rosa by Guy Wilkes, etc. He is a very pleasing individual, though not large, with quite a little reminder of his sire in his general makeup. He is O. K. as to racing qualifications from both blood and physical standpoints, and Dan is very hopeful concerning his future. He worked the Pleasanton track as a three-year-old in 2:20, so he has the Carlokin characteristics, all right.

A CLASH OF MASTER MINDS.

[Written for the Breeder and Sportsman.]

A year or two after the late L. V. Harkness had gone extensively into breeding, or, to be exact, in the spring of 1898, he visited the splendidly equipped farm near Wayne, Illinois, owned by Mark W. Dunham. The man of many millions, for he was rated at twenty times the six figures, even at that time, brought along his secretary and his check book, as some one—the gossips say it was the only Splan—had advised him to select a French stallion of the trotteur type, and cross him with standard American mares of high nerve force.

Arriving at beautiful Oak Lawn Farm on a bright sunny morning, Mr. Harkness introduced himself to its erudite founder, and asked to see some of the sires. Perfection, the champion of many shows including the one at the world's fair in Chicago, five years before, was the first to be paraded. While the almost faultness lines of this noted horse could not fail to attract Mr. Harkness he knew that the head of this model stud was not on the market. Then, too, he was a carrosier, or carriage horse in plain English, with only about four minute speed. His son Patrician, then two years old, was out of a mare by Indre, a pure bred French trotter, and besides being quite as good looking as his sire, had a better use of his legs.

Here was just what he wanted, was the quick decision of the owner of Walnut Hall Farm, and in his brusque way he asked: "What do you want for the colt?"

"He is not for sale," replied Mr. Dunham.

"But surely you will take $10,000 for him," said the oil magnate.

"Patrician measures up to my highest ideal of a horse," was the answer, "and I do not care to part with him."

"But I want him!" urged the visitor, "and will pay $20,000."

"My decision is final," came from Mr. Dunham, in a tone of dignity that put a quietus on his autocratic customer, who had evidently thought, up to this time, that he could buy anything he wanted in horseflesh.

Strange to relate, this rebuff did not drive Mr. Harkness away, for he looked over Indre, then about twelve years old and hog fat. He was the gold medal stallion of the Paris exposition as a three-year-old, had never had a harness on his back, and for some time prior to his inspection by Mr. Harkness had not even been exercised to saddle. But even in this condition he could roll off through the dusty road that ran along the farm entrance at a 2:30 gait, and since he could not get the stars of the Dunham collection, the New York fancier carried off Indre and a few mares, one of the German Oldenburg strain.

It was the writer's privilege to be visiting at Oak Lawn Farm for a week end, and he greatly enjoyed this clash between two successful men of affairs and he triumph of one masterful mind over another that was evidently accustomed to having its own way. Regarding the experiment in breeding, it could not have been a success though it is said that several daughters of Robert McGregor were mated with the big coarse looking French stallion that year. Nor did it deserve to be, for we have advanced beyond the time when outside infusions are necessary to help our own well fixed light harness type. Mr. Harkness must have learned his lesson early, for he wasted no more time or money on fads, as the records of Walnut Hall Farm have attested so frequently in recent years.

—BYSTANDER.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

The Charity Horse Show

With the Red Cross Horse Show in New York City, a strictly "made in America" affair, achieving a popular success seldom accorded to any previous similar event at the Garden, coast horse lovers, and especially those in the territory adjacent to this city, have looked forward with a great deal of interest to the exhibition planned to be held some time during the winter at the Riding and Driving School. The arrangements for the same have been completed, and the dates claimed for Thursday, Friday and Saturday, February 11, 12 and 13, the program being arranged to afford entertainment both afternoons and evenings.

As with its more pretentious kindred event, the Red Cross Show, a worthy charity has been chosen as the recipient of the profits of the exhibition. In the heart of the Italian quarter of San Francisco, between Mason and Powell at 555 Chestnut street, is the non-sectarian social center known as the People's Place, where a band of earnest workers have long lived in complete accord with their neighbors and labored for the social and civic betterment of the district. Here is maintained a dispensary, with a district nurse in attendance, a day school for the little tots and clubs and classes for the older youngsters—or their mothers. In the evenings the gymnasium and club rooms offer pleasant relaxation for the elders whose daylight hours are hours of toil, and not infrequently the Settlement has been the scene of weddings, christenings, and the like.

Now, under the adverse conditions that have tightened purse strings throughout the world, the center must either have assistance or curtail its work, and that the latter may not become necessary the horse show committee have extended the helping hand, so you may feel that all support you accord the event will bring a double pleasure. Messrs. James J. Gethin and S. E. Kramer will officiate as manager and secretary, respectively, and the following committee of ladies who represent the most steadfast devotees of the horse are in charge of the arrangements for the event: Miss Jean Wheeler, Mrs. H. H. Beers, Mrs. Henry P. Umbsen, Miss Gertrude Thomas, Miss Marion Crocker, Miss Marguerite Morbio, Miss Helen Ashton, Miss Elysse Osborne, Miss Helen Bertheau, Miss Genevieve Bothin, Miss Gertrude O'Brien, Miss Elizabeth Oyster, Mrs. Robert Hayes Smith, Miss Anna Peters, Miss Ernestine McNear, Miss Elsa Ames, Miss Dorothy Rathjen, Miss Rhoda Pickering, Miss Fannie Deutsch, Mrs. Ada Kennedy, Miss Marion Adams, Miss Alice McChesney, Miss Marion Fitzhugh, Miss Mary Louise Harrington, Miss Alma Carlisle, Mrs. Capt. Humphrey, Mrs. Louis Cummings, Mrs. L. M. Rayward.

The program is so comprehensive that almost every horse lover may find the proper class for the exhibition of his or her especial favorites, and will appeal directly to all friends of "man's best friend." Entries close with Secretary Kramer at the Riding and Driving School at 701 Seventh Avenue on Thursday, January 28th, and intending exhibitors will be furnished entry blanks and all information for the asking. Believing that the big program will be of general interest to our readers, the same is appended:

ROADSTERS.

Class 1.

Trotters, mares or geldings, over 15 hands. To be judged by their conformation, quality and manners. Must be practically sound, and shown to an appropriate four wheeled vehicle. Excessive speed not required.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

Class 2.

Pair of Trotters, mares or geldings over 15 hands. To be judged by their conformation, quality and manners, be practically sound and shown to an appropriate vehicle.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

Class 3.

Trotters, mares or geldings, 15 hands or over. To be judged by their conformation, quality and manners, to be practically sound. Horses 60% and appointments 40%.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

Class 4.

Pair of Trotters, mares or geldings, 15 hands or over. To be judged by their conformation, quality and manners, to be practically sound. Horses 60% and appointments 40%.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

Class 5.

Pacers, 15 hands and over. To be judged by their conformation, quality, manners and gait, to be practically sound. Horses 85% and appointments 15%.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

Class 6.

Mares or geldings over 14.3 and not exceeding 15.2. Conformation and quality to count 50%, manners and style of going 50%. Must be practically sound, and shown to an appropriate two or four wheeled vehicle.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

Class 7.

Mares or geldings over 15.2. Conformation and quality to count 50%, manners and style of going 50%. Must be practically sound, and shown to an appropriate two or four wheeled vehicle.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

TANDEM HARNESS CLASS.

Class 8.

Mares or geldings, any height. To be judged by their manners, conformation and quality, and to be practically sound. Different owners may combine.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

BUSINESS BUGGIES.

Class 9.

Mare or gelding over 15 hands, four years old or over. To be judged by conformation and style of going. To be show to a business buggy as used for commercial purposes in San Francisco. Horse 75%, buggy, harness, etc., 25%.

First prize $25
Second prize 15
Third prize 10

CITY DELIVERY HORSES.

Class 10.

Mares or geldings, 3 years old and over, under 1300 pounds, as used for city delivery, to be shown in single harness to a four wheeled vehicle. Horse 70%, appointments 30%.

First prize $25
Second prize 15
Third prize 10

Class 11.

Pairs of mares or geldings, 3 years old and over, under 2600 pounds, to be shown to a four wheeled vehicle. Horses 70%, appointments 30%.

First prize $25
Second prize 15
Third prize 10

RUNABOUT CLASS.

Class 12.

Mares or geldings, 3 years old and over, 14.2 and not exceeding 15.2. To be shown to runabout. Horse to count 60%, appointments 40%; horse must be practically sound, have good manners and back well.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

LADIES' PHAETON CLASS.

Class 13.

Mares or geldings, 14.2 and not exceeding 15.3. To be shown to lady's phaeton, lady amateurs to drive.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

COMBINATION HORSES.

Class 14.

Mares or geldings, 14.2 and not exceeding 15.2. To be shown to an appropriate vehicle, and judged as a horse for harness purposes. The horse to be unharnessed in the ring, and shown under saddle. The horse best suited for both purposes to win the prize. Same person to drive and ride.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

Class 15.

Mares or geldings, exceeding 15.2, to be shown to an appropriate vehicle, and judged as a horse for harness purposes. The horse to be unharnessed in the ring and shown under saddle; the horse best suited for both purposes to win the prize. Same person to drive and ride.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

Class 16.

Pairs of horses in harness, mares or geldings, 3 years old and over, over 14.2, to be judged for their conformation, quality, manners and style of going. Must be practically sound, and shown to an appropriate vehicle.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

SADDLE HORSES.

Class 17.

Mares or geldings exceeding 15.2, 3 years old and over, conformation and quality to count 50%, paces and manners 50%, paces required to be shown will be walk, trot and canter. Amateurs to ride.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

Class 19.

Open class, mares or geldings exceeding 14.2 and not exceeding 15.2, 3 years old and over, conformation and quality to count 50%, paces and manners 50%. Paces required to be shown will be walk, trot and canter. Man to ride.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

Class 20.

Open class, mares or geldings, exceeding 15.2, 3 years old and over, conformation and quality to count 50%, paces and manners 50%. The paces required to be shown to be walk, trot and canter. Man to ride.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

Class 21.

Open class, mares or geldings, exceeding 15 hands, 3 years old and over, up to carrying 200 pounds. Conformation and quality to count 50%, paces and manners 50%. The paces required to be shown will be walk, trot and canter.

LADY'S SADDLE HORSE.

(Amateurs to ride.)

Class 22.

Mares or geldings 14.2, not exceeding 15.2, 3 years old and over, conformation and quality to count 50%, paces and manners 50%; manners essential. The paces required to be shown will be walk, trot and canter. Lady to ride.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

Class 23.

Mares or geldings exceeding 15.2, 3 years old and over, conformation and quality to count 50%, paces and manners 50%; manners essential. Paces required to be shown will be walk, trot and canter.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

THOROUGHBRED SADDLE HORSES.

Class 24.

Stallions, mares or geldings, 3 years old and over, exceeding 14.2. Tail may be banged but not docked. Conformation and quality to count 50%, paces and manners 50%. The paces required to be shown will be walk, trot and canter.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

SADDLE TANDEMS.

Class 25.

Mares or geldings exceeding 14.2. Conformation and quality to count 70%; manners and reinsmanship 30%. This class for long tailed horses only.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

Class 26.

Mares or geldings exceeding 14.2. Conformation and quality to count 70%; manners and reinsmanship 30%. This class for short tailed horses only.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

FIVE GAITED SADDLE HORSES.

All horses must show five distinct gaits; a free, open walk, fox trot or running walk, square trot, easy canter, and single foot or rack. Conformation and quality to count 50%, manners and performance 50%. Horses entered in the Five Gaited Classes cannot be entered in any other class.

Class 27.

Mares or geldings 14.2 and not exceeding 15.2. Amateurs to ride.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

Class 28.

Mares or geldings exceeding 15.2. Amateurs to ride.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

CHAMPIONSHIP FIVE GAITED CLASS.

(Note—Only mares or geldings having won a first or a second prize in Classes 27-28 will be eligible in Class 29.)

Class 29.

Stallions, mares or geldings, any height. Must show five distinct gaits; a free, open walk, fox trot or running walk, square trot, easy canter, and single foot or rack. Conformation and quality to count 50%, manners and performance 50%.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

PARK HACK SADDLE HORSES.

Class 30.

Mares or geldings, exceeding 14.2, to be ridden by owner or an amateur acceptable to the Committee. To be judged by walk, trot and canter. Style, action and paces to count 50%, conformation and quality 50%; manners essential.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

STOCK HORSES.

Class 31.

Horses to be shown under stock saddle, and to be judged both on general conformation and on ability to perform the work required of a stock horse.

First prize $25
Second prize 15
Third prize 10

Or the equivalent in trophies.

HUNTERS OR JUMPERS.

To be shown over four consecutive jumps, two at 3 feet 6 inches and two at 4 feet for both classes. To be judged for their performance, conformation, quality, manners and ability to carry the prescribed weight over hurdles.

Class 32.

Mares or geldings 15.1 and over, up to carrying 190 pounds.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

Class 33.

Mares or geldings over 14.3 up to carrying 150 pounds.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

Horses entered in Class 32 cannot be entered in Class 33 and vice versa.

LADY'S JUMPING CLASS.

Class 34.

Best performance over four consecutive jumps, two at 3 feet and two at 3 feet six. To be ridden by ladies.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

HIGH JUMP.

Class 35.

The trial for high jumping will commence at 4 feet, and the bars will be raised at the discretion of the Judges. Horses will be allowed three trials at different heights, if necessary.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

POLO PONIES.

Class 36.

Polo Ponies, Champion Class, 14.2 and not exceeding 15.1 hands. To be polo sound, and judged for their conformation, manners and handiness. To be shown with mallet and through obstacles.

First prize.....Silver Trophy.

Class 37.

Polo Ponies, Novice. Ponies suitable to become polo ponies, over 14.2 and not exceeding 15.1. To be sound, have good conformation, quality and manners. Walk, trot and gallop.

First prize .....Silver Trophy

Class 38.

Weight Carrying Polo Class. Polo ponies over 14.2 and not exceeding 15.1. To be polo sound and judged for their conformation, manners and handiness. Must be up to 200 pounds, to be shown with mallet and through obstacles.

First prize .....Silver Trophy

Class 39.

Lightweight Polo Class. Polo ponies over 14.2 and not exceeding 15.1. To be polo sound and judged for their conformation, manners and handiness. Must be up to 150 pounds, to be shown with mallet and through obstacles.

First prize .....Silver Trophy

Horses entered in Class 37 cannot be entered in Classes 38 or 39.

CHILDREN'S PONIES.

Class 40.

Ponies 12.2 and under.

First prize .....Silver Trophy

Class 41.

Ponies 12.2 and over and not exceeding 13.2.

First prize .....Silver Trophy

Class 42.

Ponies 13.2 and not exceeding 14.2.

First prize .....Silver Trophy

In all Children's Pony Classes, ponies must be ridden by children under 16 years of age.

HORSES SUITABLE FOR OFFICERS' MOUNTS.

Class 43.

Horses 15.1 and over, four years old and over. Should be sound, of good color, well broken, gentle under saddle, free from vice, with free and prompt action at the walk, trot and gallop. To be shown by officers in uniform.

First prize .....Silver Trophy

HORSES SUITABLE FOR SAVALRY.

Class 44.

Mares or geldings four years old and over, 15.1 and over. Good conformation, sound, well broken, free from vice and gentle under saddle. Must show prompt action at the walk, trot and gallop. Horses entered in Class 43 can not be entered in Class 44 and vice versa.

First prize .....Silver Trophy

HIGH SCHOOL AND TRICK HORSES.

Class 45.

Stallion, mare or gelding, exceeding 14.2. Performance only to count.

MOUNTED POLICE.

Class 46.

Police horses to be ridden by men of the force in uniform. Horses to count 50%; equestrianism 50%.

First prize $25
Second prize 15
Third prize 10

CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES.

In all Championship Classes, first and second prize winners must show their horses, or forfeit any money or plate to which they may be entitled at this Show.

For the best Heavy Harness Horse, any size, of the Show.

For the best Polo Pony of the Show.

For the best Saddle Horse, under 15.2 of the Show.

For the best Saddle Horse, over 15.2 of the Show.

POLO GAMES.

There will be three polo games, one each evening, when three 5 minute periods shall be played during each game by contesting clubs. A cup to be awarded to the club or team winning two games out of the three.

MARATHON RACES.

Trotters under saddle. Starting from the Riding School to the Cliff House and return, for the Cliff House Trophy. Horses to be ridden by gentlemen amateurs. This event to be governed by the rules of the American Trotting Association.

First prize .....Cup

THOROUGHBREDS.

For registered or horses eligible to registry. To leave the Riding School at a time appointed by the Horse Show Committee, and go a distance not to exceed fifteen miles, destination and route to be selected by a race committee. This event to be governed by the rules of the American Jockey Club, horses not to carry less than 165 pounds.

SPECIAL CLASSES.

(A) Percheron Stallion .....Silver Trophy
(B) Belgian Stallion .....Silver Trophy
(C) Shire Stallion .....Silver Trophy
(D) Best trained saddle horse, performance alone to be considered.
(E) For the best type of saddle horse to be shown in hand.
(F) Pony in harness under 14.1 to be shown by children under 16 years to an appropriate vehicle—
.....Silver Trophy

Note.—There will be a Silver Trophy given to winner of each championship class.

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ANGLERS' ANNUAL MEETING.

The California Anglers' Association clubrooms were filled to overflowing Monday evening at the annual meeting and smoker, one of the most enthusiastic gatherings the organization has held in years. Fish and game topics were discussed. The work of the Fish and Game Commission for the past few years was outlined by officials of the commission. Among the speakers during the evening were Dr. L. T. Cranz and George A. Wentworth. Fish and Game Commissioner Carl Westerfeld recounted the work of the Commission for the past few years, and hinted at future good work for the protection and propagation of the fish and game of this State.

Secretary Ernest Schaeffle's remarks were statistical and replete with interesting data. Deputy Joe Hunter put the assembly in touch with some of the police work being carried out. Deputy Andy Ferguson, of Fresno, gave a vivid and appreciated talk depicting the restocking of Sierra streams and lakes in his district. His account of the beautiful golden trout and its gameness "brought down the house." Deputy C. Culver described the work accomplished in having the fish screen law observed by ditch owners. Commission Attorney Bob Duke gave the assembly an idea of the difficulties incurred in securing convictions of fish and game law violators at times. Police Judge Morris Oppenheim's remarks were short but to the point—he is the friend of the angler and sportsman.

The officers elected for the ensuing year were: President, L. T. Cranz; first vice-president, V. C. Howe; second vice-president, Paul W. Shattuck; treasurer, Herman Cohn; secretary, George A. Wentworth; directors, C. F. Ensinger, Joe Springer and Charles Gibbs.

The rooms of the organization will be the headquarters of visiting anglers and other sportsmen during the Exposition. The association is now on record for co-operation with the Fish and Game officials.

NATIONAL FLY-CASTING TOURNAMENT.

The San Francisco Flycasting Club has received notice from the National Association of Scientific Angling Clubs that San Francisco has been awarded he national tournament for 1915. For two years the local organization has been looking forward to handling the classic fly-casting event and the following telegram forwarded by F. J. Cooper, president of the San Francisco Flycasting Club, was received with much delight:

"San Francisco has been awarded this year's casting tournament. I am sure it will be a grand success. A. BAUER,
President National Association of Scientific Angling Clubs."

The tournament will likely be held on the San Francisco Club's ground at Stow Lake. It was to have been international in character but owing to the strife in Europe will be confined to the United States.

GOSSIP FOR SPORTSMEN.

The recent rains created conditions for the past two weeks that have caused a general exodus of ducks from many of the upper bay salt marsh shooting resorts. A change of diet was offered at innumerable fresh-water ponds, where tender green forage was sprouting and where a variety of seeds have been washed into the ponds.

Market shipments of ducks have been cut down 50 per cent recently, possibly owing to the vigilance of the Fish and Game Commission's deputies, who have seized numerous limit bag consignments. These shipments of wild ducks have been addressed to different individuals, all located within easy distance of the game dealers and commission houses. Orders for wild ducks can readily be filled as they come in, and under this system the daily limit of wild ducks, in possession, is not apparently exceeded. About one-half of the ducks sent in are canvasbacks, shipped from various bay counties points.

Local gunners who have hunted in the lower bay stretches and along the Alameda bay shores recently have had great sport with both canvasback and bluebill ducks. One Sunday afternoon, off the Redwood shores, the birds lay out in the bay in mile-long flocks. The scull boat hunters nearly all shot limit strings in the morning. Al Johnson, Paul Mabie, Charles McKittron and Roy Joachim were posted in blinds on the Redwood shore, where they enjoyed good shooting. The shooters out later in the day bagged many ducks, one operator being reported to have knocked down twelve ducks in one shot. The afternoon was fair, the bay calm, and big flocks of spoonbills joined the deepwater ducks out on the bay.

Excellent shooting conditions in the vicinity of Alviso prompted the presence of a large crowd of hunters in shore blinds and out on the sloughs in boats. Results generally were good, the men who could point their guns right getting many ducks.

Many of the inland sections between Alvarado and Mowry's have been flooded, the ducks consequently, mostly spoonbills, keep pretty well away from the shooting ponds and take matters easy in safer quarters, slipping into the baited ponds at night for their feed.

At the big salt pond preserve of the Dumbarton Land Company, Arden Gun Club members—Jack Connelly, Dr. J. C. Sylvester, Fred Kewell, Rube Haas and others have not tallied big strings of spooneys, nor have the adjoining Coyote Gun Club fusiliers until a week ago. On adjacent California salt pond shooting stations Dr. W. O. Ogle and George Franzen were in line for a pleasing smokeless powder reception of many spoonbills Sunday.

Empire Gun Club members have had an off season so far at the Elkhorn slough preserve. Col. J. W. Dorsey, W. H. Sanborn and several other gunners have, however, returned with good bags after several visits. The two hunters mentioned, however, had limit shoots near Los Banos. A mile or more below the club's ground Watsonville Gun Club shooters have enjoyed remarkably good shooting, birds having been plentiful there nearly all of the season.

"Cap" A. W. Simonton, formerly of this city, now located in Wilmington, Del., in charge of the Du Pont Powder Company traffic department, was here on a flying trip for about two weeks and departed for Portland Thursday. He was a leading shot at Golden Gate Gun Club and California Wing Shooting Club trapshooters, and also a member of the Wheeler Island Gun Club, where the mallard shooting was phenomenal several seasons ago.

It will be remembered by our readers that a photo of the genial "Cap" appeared in the Christmas edition of the Breeder and Sportsman. We stated that he no doubt would like to be back and enjoy another duck shoot. "They all come back."—Well, he did have a fine shoot last Sunday with Ed Schultz and Pete McRae at the Hog Island Gun Club preserve on Petaluma creek. "Cap" came back to the city with twenty-two fat canvasbacks, which is not a bad shoot for anybody.

The Los Banos country, down the San Joaquin valley, has offered the best average duck shooting, comparatively, since the season opened. Field and Tule Gun Club members, J. B. Coleman, Nat Boas, Jack Wirtner, Joe Harlan and others have tallied two limits a week since the season opened. At Billy Sears' preserve Sunday a party of Sacramento gunners all shot limits.

Reports from the Gustine district are similar—ducks galore in the ponds. George Wright and party were on the limit end of a shoot a week ago. Herbert Rose bagged a mixed limit while shooting on the Newman Gun Club ground.

For last week shooting conditions had improved a bit on some parts of the Sunsun marsh. W. W. Richards, Harlow Bancroft, Dave Hearfield and George Emmons have found the "overflow" at Green Lodge fairly well stocked with large and small ducks. Ed L. Hoag and other gunners at the Cordelia Club ponds have gathered in many canvasback ducks recently.

Ducks and geese have recently been plentiful on the old Black Jack preserve and adjacent overflows above Collinsville. When the shooters from that section are out in force and keep the birds moving from place to place good bags are shot. Near Rio Vista wild geese are very numerous. The honkers are best for table use, however. The white geese are thin and poor from grass feeding.

Sacramento sportsmen have been getting fine mallard shooting near Gridley recently. Late reports are that birds are plentiful.

The Petaluma and Napa creek marshes were invaded by flocks of thousands of canvasback ducks for three days the latter part of last week, while a week and more before the birds had apparently deserted those marshes and creeks. Blind bay, a famous canvasback shooting resort in past years, is now leased by a gun club. Other Petaluma creek and navigable waters are open to the hunters, however.

Imperial Valley, according to W. H. Cameron of this city, is a paradise for the duck hunter just now. The sport is better than for years past. The sprig is the predominant variety. Countless thousands of these ducks are fattening on the seed of the native wild maize. Cameron, Fred Rayner and James Stinnett each bagged a limit last Sunday morning before 9 o'clock, shooting on Vic Sterling's ranch, eight miles from Calipatria and near the Salton sea. Although there is good shooting at almost any point in the valley, the best hunting is said to be across the Mexican border.

Near San Pablo canvasbacks and bluebills were plentiful recently in the bay off shore. George Legler's shoot in that vicinity Thursday was well rewarded. W. W. Perry, Bert Underwood, Ole Oleson, W. Burns, Joe La Vezi, Dennis Landrigan, Eddie Smith and other gunners have also enjoyed good "can" shooting.

Chas. Pease, Chas. F. Breidenstein and Fred Tobelman hunted three days near Limantour bay, on the Point Reyes shore. Canvasback ducks worked into the decoys and limits were easy to shoot. Black sea brant were also plentiful, Jack Briones succeeded in dropping 20 of the sea brant Sunday while shooting at Limantour bay.

Duck hunting at different Tomales bay points has been only fair. Both Jim Black and Jim Andrews, who shoot near Point Reyes, came in a week ago with about twelve birds apiece.

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Quail hunters will find conditions for upland shooting tomorrow much improved over the recent situation, when the ground was well soaked and soggy. Shooters then found the going hard and tiresome, birds that were located proving to be shrewd sprinters and keeping well out of the danger zone.

Among the quail hunters out recently were George Uhl, who picked up a limit string in the Pleasanton hills. Near Nicasio John Barr and Sam Maza shot limits on the Maza ranch. Near Ignacio a Monday trip was productive of a good bag for Baldo Ivancovich. Clarence Nauman, one day this week, shot over fine quail ground near Raymond in Madera county. Harold Ladd and G. Freye tried the hills back of Half Moon bay last week. One agreeable feature for quail hunters tomorrow and this afternoon, the road will be in better shape for machine trips.

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Fred W. Diehl of Oakland was arrested by Fish and Game Commission deputies this week for violating the game law. A search revealed 36 quail in cold storage and in his possession. He was released on $100 bail, pending trial of the case. A game peddler, J. J. Ryan, was also arrested this week at Fourth and Market streets by deputy commissioners. He was in possession of 26 quail. He was released by Judge Oppenheimer after putting up $25 bail.

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Lake Tahoe is by nature fitted to be a fisherman's paradise. Its area, the number of natural spawning beds for trout and other fishes, the abundance of natural feed, all render this picturesque Sierra lake capable of supporting more fish, of greater size, than any other like body of water on the Coast. Furthermore its accessibility, the facilities for camping and the variety of the resort accommodations, combine to make fishing attractions there available to a large number of citizens and tourist visitors. Nevertheless, at the present time, despite a plentiful annual restocking with different varieties of trout, the fishing has been steadily declining. Ten years ago limit catches could be easily taken almost anywhere along the shores of the lake and in most of its tributaries. Five years ago any resident along shore could catch all the trout needed within a few yards of his own water front. Fair sport is still to be had in favored localities. This valuable asset of the late, it is claimed, is in danger of dwindling to nothing, a possibility that will impair the recreation of thousands of annual visitors to the lake. The growing scarcity of lake trout is due, it is alleged, to the market fishermen, who from May 1 until October 1, five months, send out daily shipments of trout by express. From the express office at Tahoe Tavern alone, an average of 600 pounds has been shipped — 90,000 pounds of trout in a season. This statement does not take into account any other outlets than the express office mentioned. Truckee,, for instance, is another big shipping point. The market fishermen who are credited with getting the limit catch by 9 o'clock in the morning in past seasons now fish all day and into the evening. This does not argue the continued abundance of trout.

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The Lake Tahoe Protective Association was organized for the purpose of obtaining necessary legislative action to protect the spawning beds and preserve the propagation of the lake trout, the black spotted variety in particular. A petition to that effect received hundreds of signatures and has been filed with the State Fish and Game Commission. Senator E. C. Voorhies, W. S. Bliss, C. T. Bliss, Judge Chas. Nelson and other prominent Lake Tahoe property owners were in consultation with the Commission officials, in the offices in the Mills building last week. It is intimated a bill covering the remedial features presented will be submitted to the Legislature.

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Another matter taken up by the Fish and Game Commission officials, fishing firms and packers was the question of open and close season on salmon, incidentally including striped bass and shad. It has been found that it is impracticable to allow net fishing for bass or shad during close season for salmon and vice versa. The net fishermen can not discriminate in their catches, for while fishing for one kind of fish in the up-river waters it is impossible to exclude the closed season fish, which when taken in the nets are invariably killed and lost. Among those present at the meeting were F. E. Booth, of the Monterey Packing Company and Sacramento Packing Company, W. H. Hunt, of the Tahoe Hatchery, Andy Ferguson, of Fresno, W. H. Shebley, superintendent of the Sissons Hatchery, H. I. Pritchard, of Los Angeles, George V. Neale of Sacramento, Jos. Hunter, B. H. Nidever and others. It is probable that an effort will be made to close the spring spawning season, a month possibly, from the middle of March to the middle of April; during this time there is usually a big run of salmon to the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers spawning grounds.

A heavy run of large steelhead trout, the largest in years, is reported from Point Reyes, and took place Thursday. The schools of fresh run ocean trout slammed up-stream over the riffles for several hours. Odd bunches of fish have been going up the creek from Tomales bay since. This means good fishing later on and is an argument in favor of opening the month of January for the rod and line fishermen for steelhead in tide waters.

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The Salinas river and Elkhorn slough waters are teeming with striped bass, a recent haul of the nets gave one fishing boat 800 pounds. Watsonville, Salinas and other points have intimated through influential citizens and sportsmen that it is desirable to close those waters to the operations of net fishermen. The lower San Joaquin valley counties have already put the ban on net operations for striped bass, black bass and shad. The belief is that the fish are worth more to that section as a rod and line attraction and asset than as a depleted commercial commodity.

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Striped bass rodsters have had to contend with rather stormy weather conditions recently. In most of the fishing resorts the water has been too roily. Indications for tomorrow, however, are more favorable. The San Antone visitors last Sunday had another poor luck day, a six-pounder landed by Jack Conlon was about the only visible result for that section. Louis Gotthelf again tried the creek near the Napa railroad drawbridge and landed a ten-pound bass.

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Walter Welch, for many years past fish and game warden for Santa Cruz county, has been deprived of his badge by the board of supervisors, which body last week declared the position of county fish, game and fire warden vacant. The reasons given for such action were that State fish and game deputies were operating in the county, and that the office of a county warden was, under the circumstances, unnecessary.

COAST FIELD TRIALS START TODAY.

The Pacific Coast Club's thirty-second annual field trials at Bakersfield have been moved forward to open today, Saturday, January 23, instead of Monday next as originally announced, a change in dates having been made to accommodate a large number of sportsmen who have only time for a week-end to enjoy high class competition of field dogs. Reports from near Bakersfield are that conditions are favorable for the annual classic.

An unusually heavy entry has been made for the Derby and All-Age stakes, the two feature events of the trials. The Members' stake, starters for which are accepted up to the evening before the trials, also promises to attract a large entry. This season the Members' stake, which will be handled by bona fide members only, will be run first.

A large party left in special cars on the train to Bakersfield from this city yesterday. S. Christenson of the Palace Hotel has charge of the trip for the club and secured reservations for more than fifty sportsmen.

Among those who were aboard the special train are: J. M. Kilgarif, J. W. Considine, George Wingfield, J. W. Flynn, Lloyd Tevis, Lansing Tevis, Bert Nixon, Roy S. Avery, H. C. Katz, Charles DeRyder, Joseph A. Chanslor, George Gray, Rome Jacks, Will Jacks, Horatio Ananasagasti, Commissioner General to the Exposition from the Argentine Republic; T. J. A. Tiedemann, J. S. French, Laurence McCreery, Edwin A. Hammer, Phillip M. Wand, J. B. Coryell, James P. Sweeney, S. P. Eastman, A. W. Willhelm, J. Walter Scott, E. Courtney Ford, William Dohrmann, Alexander Hamilton, Percy Moore and Stanley Sproule of Chico.

The entries for the Derby and the All-Age stakes follow:

Derby Entries.

Jim Rodney, white, black and tan English setter dog, owned by Rincon Hill Kennels.

Carrol, orange and white English setter dog, owned by J. W. Flynn.

Wheastone, white and orange English setter bitch, owned by Wilkes & Avery.

Sensation, white and black pointer dog, owned by Wilkes & Avery.

Queen O' Trumps, white and liver pointer bitch, owned by W. W. Sweeney.

Terry, white and black English setter dog, owned by J. M. Kilgarif.

Shasta King, white and orange English setter dog, owned by J. M. Kilgarif.

Smiley, white and black English setter dog, owned by B. D. Townsend.

Bud, white, black and tan English setter, owned by Jos. A. Chanslor.

Jeff Forester, white, black and tan English setter dog, owned by Jos. A. Chanslor.

Orange Blossom, white and orange English setter bitch, owned by S. Christenson.

Shasta Girl, white, black and tan English setter bitch, owned by S. Christenson.

Imp, white and black English setter dog, owned by Stanley Sproule.

Melrose Chief, white, black and tan English setter dog, owned by John W. Considine.

Melrose Rod, white, black and tan English setter dog, owned by John W. Considine.

Lady of Stockdale, white and liver pointer bitch, owned by Gordon B. Tevis.

Rox of Stockdale, white and liver pointer dog, owned by Gordon B. Tevis.

Nellie of Stockdale, white and black pointer bitch, owned by Gordon B. Tevis.

Saddle of Stockdale, white and black pointer dog, owned by Gordon B. Tevis.

Blaze of Stockdale, white, black and tan pointer dog, owned by Gordon B. Tevis.

Tango of Stockdale, white and black pointer dog, owned by Gordon B. Tevis.

Bender, white and Liver pointer dog, owned by W. B. Coutts.

Shasta Maid, white and black English setter bitch, owned by F. J. Ruhstaller.

Chestnut Belle, white and liver English setter bitch, owned by F. J. Ruhstaller.

All-Age Stake Entries.

Pied Piper, white and liver pointer dog, owned by Bert Nixon.

Marie Danstone, white, black and tan English setter bitch, owned by A. D. Opdike & Co.

Dixie Chace, white, black and tan English setter bitch, owned by J. S. French.

Llewellin Danstone, white, black and tan English setter dog, owned by Opdike & Co.

Reno, white and black English setter dog, owned by Chas. DeRyder.

Old Forester, white and black English setter dog, owned by Jos. A. Chanslor.

Melrose Maxwell, white, black and tan English setter dog, owned by John W. Considine.

Melrose Jack, whie, black and tan English setter dog, owned by John W. Considine.

Melrose Dude, whie, black and tan English setter dog, owned by John W. Considine.

Young Forester, white, black and tan English setter dog, owned by S. P. Eastman.

Forestress, white, black and tan English setter bitch, owned by S. Christenson.

Sheridan of Stockdale, white and black pointer dog, owned by Gordon B. Tevis.

Lorena of Stockdale, white and black pointer bitch, owned by Gordon B. Tevis.

Jack of Stockdale, white and black pointer dog, owned by Gordon B. Tevis.

Elvira of Stockdale, white and black pointer bitch, owned by Gordon B. Tevis.

Sweetheart of Stockdale, white and black pointer bitch, owned by Gordon B. Tevis.

Tom Thumb, white and black pointer dog, owned by Gordon B. Tevis.

Ladas of Stockdale, black and white pointer dog, owned by Lansing Tevis.

Kil's Light, black, white and tan English setter dog, owned by F. J. Ruhstaller.

Bohemian Prince, white, black and tan English setter dog, owned by Shasta Kennels.

Shasta Queen, white and orange English setter bitch, owned by Shasta Kennels.

Hard Tack, white and liver pointer dog, owned by Wilkes & Avery.

Chicken Ives, white and black English setter dog, owned by H. S. Russ.

HERE'S A WORD FOR BRUIN.

The bills recently introduced in the Legislature to save Bruin from extermination are really responsive to a widely expressed public opinion in the northern sections of the State. Indeed, throughout the high latitudes of California, embracing the important communities of Siskiyou, Trinity, Shasta, Modoc, East Humboldt, Del Norte and Northern Mendocino, the tariff, canal tolls, neutrality and the Mexican problem yield in interest to the burning question, the preservation of the bear, writes James H. Wilkins in The Bulletin.

Concerning this animal much misinformation is current. He is not an outlaw, marauder and miscreant. On the contrary his normal life is moral and peaceful. He is by nature a vegetarian, his diet consisting of grass, berries, fruits, nuts and roots. Rarely there are regrettable individual lapses when a roguish old bear acquires a suckling pig appetite or perhaps a fondness for mutton. These instances are negligible and are quickly adjusted by capital punishment of the offender.

Barring these rare exceptions, the brown or black bear, which are identical, for you will often see a she-bear with two cubs, one black, one brown, is an animal of real economic value, the wanton destruction of which we would have only too good reason to lament. For at the time of his greatest value, during early December—just before he "holes up" for the winter—a bear in good condition is worth in hard cash from $60 to $75.

To understand this statement we must read a chapter from the bear's life history. He retires to winter quarters, hibernates, or "holes up," shortly before Christmas. He emerges in the early spring, after the long sleep, lean and haggard. The earth offers him no sustenance save young grass, which is a very thinning food. He grows still leaner, his fur bleaches, becomes ragged and scrawney. In the springtime the bear is the most disreputable, trampish looking animal that roams the mountains.

Then comes the transformation. In the late summer and fall, kindly nature spreads a generous banquet. The forest is filled with acorns, chincapins, hazel nuts, manzanita berries, blackberries and what not, all prime luxuries from the ursine standpoint. Straightway the skeleton bear takes on fat in the most amazing fashion. In four months his weight trebles or more. Not only that, but his ragged doormat of fur sloughs off and in its place appears a gorgeous dress-parade coat of black or brown. Then the erstwhile scandal of the woods, the regenerate bear, looks as slick and prosperous as a bank president. That's when the mountaineer seeks his scalp.

Now, as to values, all of which are free of overhead charges and cost of production. A winter bear-hide is worth from $15 to $25. The average is about $20. Eastern furriers take all that can be produced. An average bear yields 100 pounds of lard, which can be sold in San Francisco wholesale for 30 cents a pound. Bear lard is the lightest and most digestible of fats. Stomachs that rebel at any other, readily assimilate bear lard used in cooking. Hence it is in brisk demand among dyspeptics who can pay the price. Also, jerked bear hams command a fabulous price, in a small but steady market. Finally, the gall is worth $5 to the Chinese doctors.

Let us see, then, how a bear stacks up from the purely financial viewpoint: Fur, $20; lard, $30; jerked meat, $20; gall, $5—total, $75.

These are actual figures given to me and verified by dwellers in the northern mountain country. Not only that, but there remains for the hunter a quantity of meat, superior to the finest beef. This is most acceptable at a time when stupid game laws prevent inhabitants of remote sections from laying in a stock of venison against winter, but leaving ever increasing packs of coyotes undisturbed to work destruction among snow-bound deer.

You can see at once how the capture of three or four bear a year will add immensely to the comfort of the settler's family. As a purely natural product, the bear has a value pre-eminent among the wild life of California. He might be much further exploited. Looking at the plain facts, I see no reason why bear-growing might not be as important an industry as stock-growing.

For years the bear enjoyed an unwritten protection, stronger than any law. All through the mountains it was deemed a wanton crime to destroy an animal useless for food, with a valueless fur, leaving it to rot, which a few months later would be worth $75. Most strongly did this hold in the case of she-bears, which in the early season were not only run down, but burdened with the cares of maternity. So, for a long time, the race of bears suffered no appreciable diminution.

Then came the dude sportsmen from the big cities, frankly after anything that sported fur or feathers. They have penetrated all the remote fastnesses of the North in recent years. With high-power guns, soft-nose bullets, packs of hounds, guides, packers, cooks and valets, all the paraphernalia of destruction and luxury, they have wrought havoc in those seemingly inexhaustible game preserves. The grand, thrilling experience is a bear hunt. As a rule, Bruin is a bit of a coward. He is desperately afraid of man, which does credit to his common sense. But the she-bear with cubs has all the courage of a Spartan mother, facing dogs, howling men, guns, wounds, agony and death just to gain time for her frightened progeny to gain shelter. The gentleman quietly walks up and pots her. Some call it sport. To my warped mind, it is little short of murder. The worthless carcass is left to rot, but presently the small cubs creep from their hiding place, lick the dumb wounds of the dead mother and fill the air with their lamentations. In due season of course they perish from hunger. All this so that a carpet hunter may swell his chest and say with pride to admiring friends, "I killed a bear."

There is no doubt about the facts. They were not gathered second-hand, but from personal experience. In some sections the bears have been exterminated. Everywhere they are going fast. Without some decent protection in the breeding season they will soon be extinct. The animals are in no sense enemies of man. They are entitled to the same slight mercy that we freely extend to deer, quail and ducks. That's what the people of the north insist.

REGISTERED TOURNAMENTS.

The Interstate Association at the annual meeting last month made changes in the conditions governing 1915 registered tournaments which are given in a booklet recently issued. Other important information for gun clubs who intend to hold registered shoots is also given in the pamphlet. The following paragraphs cover the most important clauses in the booklet, a copy of which can be had by mailing request to Secretary E. Reed Shaner, 218 Coltart Avenue, Pittsburg, Pa.

"Like every radical move made by the Association in the twenty-two years of its existence, doubt was cast upon the decision, made at its annual meeting in 1913, to favor that class of sportsmen who indulge in trap shooting for the sport's sake only by making its contributions to registered tournaments part in trophies, instead of all in cash. It is worthy of note that the change met with popular favor, and that the results fully justify the wisdom of the departure. The records show that 881 trophies were well distributed among 626 contestants—479 different contestants winning one trophy, 889 winning two, 34 winning three, 11 winning four, 8 winning five, 2 winning six and 4 winning seven.

The scheme whereby the several State amateur champions were brought together at the 1914 Grand American Handicap tournament to compete for the National Amateur Championship also received the stamp of approval from the trap-shooting world. Thirty-five of the thirty-six States that held Registered State Tournaments previous to the Grand American Handicap had a representative present to compete for the honor. The contest attracted much attention throughout the entire trap shooting season,

and it was a feature event of the G. A. H. Tournament. This departure was so eminently successful that it has been continued without change for 1915.

Trophy Plan for 1915—While the trophy plan of 1914 was very satisfactory, it is the intention this year to inaugurate an entirely new idea in the distribution of trophies.

Arrangements have been made with one of the foremost jewelers and silversmiths in the country which will permit each trophy winner to select from a choice list of merchandise the particular article which appeals personally to the successful contestant, this article to be suitably engraved and forwarded, charges paid, to any point.

The trophies will be illustrated and described in a four-page folder, which will be sent in advance of tournaments to club secretaries and others interested. The club secretaries will also be furnished with forms to be filled in with names and addresses of the winners, trophies desired and other data.

The buying power of the Association is such that most attractive trophies are assured. Among the trophies The Interstate Association is to feature sterling silver table ware, giving contestants an opportunity to eventually win complete sets of that useful merchandise. While The Interstate Association trophies will be more or less special in design, arrangements have been made with the manufacturers to handle any orders at their regular retail prices which may be sent them. This will enable prize winners to complete sets of silverware or secure duplicates of any trophy won.

New Ruling For 1915—The principal change made for 1915 was the fixing of a time limit for the filing of applications carrying requests for contributions. In 1914 the Association was obligated for the entire amount of its Registered Tournament Fund by March 15, and many applications for contributions were received after the fund had been exhausted. Failure to secure contributions caused more or less ill feeling among the clubs that were too late in applying. To obviate this in 1915, February 15 has been fixed as the date on or before which applications carrying requests for contributions must be filed to be considered, and no application will be passed upon before said date has expired. This applies to all applications carrying requests for contributions, with the exception of applications for State tournaments. Inasmuch as all State tournaments are provided for alike in respect to contributions, such applications may be filed at any time.

Apportionment of Fund—In the apportionment of the registered fund for 1915, approximately $9,000 will be contributed to State tournaments and approximately $11,000 will be contributed to tournaments other than State tournaments.

Approximately $8,000 of the total Registered Tournament Fund will be contributed in trophies. Purchasing trophies in such large quantities means additional value for the fortunate winners.

To each approved State tournament The Interstate Association will contribute $225, part of which will be in trophies, irrespective of the population of the State in which the tournament is held.

The $225 contributed to a registered State tournament will be made up as follows: $100 in cash, which shall be awarded as the club holding the tournament wishes; $75 in seven (7) trophies, which shall be awarded to the winners of the first seven places (high guns) in "The Interstate Association's State Amateur Championship" event, and $50 in cash, which shall be awarded to the winner of the State Championship (or to the runner-up, in case the winner cannot attend the Grand American Handicap tournament), conditional on said winner, or runner-up, making entry and competing in the National Amateur Championship at the Grand American Handicap tournament.

A club holding a registered State tournament to which a contribution is made shall schedule an event to be known as "The Interstate Association's State Amateur Championship," said event to be at 100 single targets, open only to bona fide residents of the State in which the tournament is held, and any amateur contestant shooting for "targets only" shall be eligible to win said State Championship and any of the trophies contributed by The Interstate Association.

The foregoing applies to registered State tournaments to which contributions are made by The Interstate Association.

The following applies to registered tournaments other than tournaments given by Leagues of Gun Clubs and special organizations:

To each approved tournament, irrespective as to whether it will be a one day, two days, three days or more tournament, The Interstate Association will contribute $50, part of which, or all, will be in trophies.

It is optional with the club holding the tournament as to whether The Interstate Association's contribution shall be made one-half in cash and one-half in trophies, or whether it shall be made all in trophies, but it shall not be made all in cash.

Any amateur contestant shooting for "Targets only" at a registered tournament shall be eligible to win any of the trophies contributed by The Interstate Association.

A club holding a registered tournament shall give, on the information sheet furnished by The Interstate Association, the names of the winners of the trophies contributed by The Interstate Association.

When the registered tournament fund of approximately $20,000 is exhausted tournaments will be registered, but without any contribution by The Interstate Association.

Information in General—The Interstate Association's primary object in registering tournaments is to encourage State Associations and Leagues of Gun Clubs; therefore, it is the Association's present intention to do all in its power to urge and foster the formation of State Associations and Leagues of Gun Clubs in those States where none no wexist.

A State Association or a League of Gun Clubs, to secure recognition from The Interstate Association, must have a membership of five or more bona fide clubs located in five or more different cities or towns.

The Interstate Association, at its discretion, may exact proof of the proper organization of any State Association, or League of Gun Clubs, which applies for a registered tournament.

Any club a member in good standing of a State Association or of a League of Gun Clubs in a State that has no State Association may apply for regis-



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tration. Applications from clubs not members of a State Association or of a League of Gun Clubs will not be considered.

When a club applies for a two or more days tournament, the granting of such application will depend on the attendance at and success of previous registered tournaments of said club, if any were held. The determination of whether it shall be a one day or two days tournament is at the discretion of The Interstate Association.

Clubs located in States where there are no State Associations or Leagues of Gun Clubs may register their tournaments under The Interstate Association's old policy. The Interstate Association makes no contribution to tournaments registered under its old policy, but the scores made at such tournaments become a part of the official averages for the year.

Management—The management of The Interstate Association concedes to the management of any reg-



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istered tournament The Interstate Association powers as set forth in Rule 1, Sections Nos. 1 and 2, of the Trap Shooting Rules, as revised in 1909, in respect to said registered tournament.

The management of the Interstate Association has the authority and power to inquire into and deal with any matter relating to fraud in connection with any registered tournament, and to bar any person or persons concerned in any fraudulent practices.

A club holding a registered tournament must pay all moneys and prizes announced therewith. Failing therein, any club so offending will be disbarred till the default is cleared.

The Interstate Association's cash contribution will not be paid to any club until such time as such club, holding a registered tournament, shall have sent in the requisite report of the tournament to The Interstate Association.

The Interstate Association's cash contribution of $50 to the winner, or to the runner-up, of "The Interstate Association's State Amateur Championship" at a State tournament, will not be paid until such time as the Grand American Handicap tournament is held, and then only on condition that said winner or the runner-up makes entry and competes in the "National Amateur Championship" event at the Grand American Handicap tournament.

A club making application to hold a registered tournament shall not include "Practice day" in the dates registered, as the scores made on said day shall not be counted in the yearly average.

A club holding a registered tournament shall send a printed program of the tournament to the secretary of The Interstate Association at least fifteen days before the opening date of the tournament.

A club holding a registered tournament shall use The Interstate Association's Trap Shooting Rules, as revised in 1909, and shall conduct the tournament strictly in accordance therewith. It, therefore, must not change or modify the rule relating to shooting at a broken target.

A club which has been duly authorized to hold a registered tournament shall give one page of its program, of which the copy will be furnished by The Interstate Association, for purpose of announcing the amount of The Interstate Association's contribution and for purpose of publicity.

The Interstate Association respectfully suggests that the regular program for a registered tournament consists of not less than 150 targets nor more than 200 targets per day.

If a club holding a registered tournament defaults on its agreement in any particular, permission for further registered tournaments will not be granted.

Yearly Averages.—The yearly averages in 1915, for both amateurs and professionals, shall be computed on 2,000 or more single targets shot from the standard distance fixed by The Interstate Association (the distance being 16 yards), and this only at registered tournaments and the tournaments directly given by The Interstate Association.

It shall at a registered tournament not be obligatory for a contestant to shoot in all events to have his score count in the average, but the records made in every event in which he participates at said tournament shall count in his yearly average. If a contestant voluntarily withdraws from an event after starting in it and does not shoot at the total number of targets called for by said event, such unshot targets shall be scored as "lost targets."

Scores made by contestants, whether amateurs or professionals, who stand at the 16-yard mark in handicap events shall not be counted in the yearly averages.

(To be concluded next week.)

HIGH TRAPSHOOTING AVERAGES FOR 1914.

Woolfolk Henderson, of Lexington, Kentucky, heads the amateurs in the Interstate Association official list of high trapshooting averages for 1914. He broke 1,981 out of a total of 2,050 singles—.9663 per cent. S. A. Huntley, who has been out on the Coast for several years, follows with .9652 per cent. Huntley shot at 7,820 singles and broke 7,548. Frank M. Troeh, of Vancouver, Wash., winner of the State championship last year, shot at 2430 singles and killed 2278—.9374 per cent. J. F. Couts, of San Diego, broke 6976 out of 7370 singles—.9348 per cent. Pete O'Brien, of Portland, Ore., broke 2037 out of 2205, making .9238 per cent. Henry F. Wihlon, of Gresham, Ore., scored .9100 per cent by breaking 2548 out of 2800 singles. J. F. Dodds of San Diego shot at 4400 singles and scored 3946 breaks for ..8968 per cent. Harry Ogilvie, of Lindsay, Cal., shows an ..8846 per cent average on 2415 out of 2730 singles. The Seattle trigger puller C. E. McKelvey broke 1978 out of 2325—..8507 per cent. Ted Riley, of this city, broke 1736 out of 2150 singles.

Henderson shot a Parker gun, Schultze powder and Peters shells. Huntley also shot a Parker gun.

Huntley and Couts shot more than double the number of targets shot at by 108 other shooters listed, excepting W. S. Hoon, of Jewell, Ia., 4950, broke 4738—.9563 per cent; J. G. Martin, Harrisburg, Pa., 4995, broke 4615—..9239 per cent; H. Kennicott, Evanston, Ill., 4400, broke 4131, ..9388 per cent.

Lester H. Reid, of Seattle, Wash., the northwest Coast representative of the Peters Cartridge Company, led the professional averages. He broke 2146 out of 2225 singles, making ..9644 per cent. Other Coast "pro" averages were: Frank C. Riehl, of Tacoma, 3428 x 3625—..9456%; E. J. Morgan, Salt Lake City, 3689 x 3935—..9374%; A. W. Woodworth, Spokane, 2491 x 2660—..9364%; H. E. Poston, San Francisco, 4149 x 4445 singles—..9334%; O. N. Ford, San Jose, Cal., 2219 x 2380—..9323%; R. C. Reed, San Francisco, 2484 x 2680—..9268%; P. J. Holohan, Portland, Ore., 3596 x 3880—..9268%; Guy E. Holohan, Los Angeles, 3620 x 4025—..899%; E. B. Morris, Portland, Ore., 2298 x 2675—..8590%; C. A. Haight, San Francisco, 3043 x 3550—..8571%; C. H. Knight, San Francisco, 2216 x 2610—..8490%.

H. F. Wihlon is fifth in the list of high averages for doubles, he broke 118 out of 150—..7866%. Pete O'Brien scored ..7533%, 113 x 150. F. S. Wright of New South Wales, N. Y., led on amateur doubles with 127 x 150—..8466%.

George Maxwell, the one-armed shotgun wizard, led the professional double averages with 134 x 150—..8933%. Lester German and Tom Marshall followed with ..86%, shooting at 100 doubles.

THAT NUCKOLS CASE.

The December issue of The Breeders' Journal, the monthly publication of the American Association of Trotting Horse Breeders, carries under the heading of "Timely Topics," by H. K. Devereux, a criticism of the action of Robert S. Strader in the Vance Nuckols case that might be comic coming from some sources, but at this distance from the scene appears rather poorly timed and undeserved from a man of Mr. Devereux' standing in the business. The impression on the coast, especially after the trotting tribunal backed the judges' action by its expulsion of Mr. Nuckols, has been that the latter "had it coming." Mr. Devereux' comments, which have been given wide publicity, are as follows:

There has been so much said of the recent decision of the board of review of the National Trotting Association, in expelling Driver Vance Nuckols for what might be considered a mild breach of the rules, and so much has been said that hardly accords with fact, it seems but fair to review these facts dispassionately and in doing this one must consider always that the man proved himself honest.

While there was a breach in the rules, it would seem that conditions warranted nothing more than a small fine to uphold the dignity of the parent association, its members and it rules and the limit of the penalty allowable—expulsion—can be considered almost persecution in the light of facts.

With no desire to whitewash Driver Nuckols and with entire confidence in the honesty and well meaning of Presiding Judge Strader, a little reasoning on the subject will hurt no one. Had a little reasoning been indulged in by the judges' stand before first sentence was passed upon Nuckols, no penalty would have been forthcoming. The action was hasty—unduly so—taken in heat of anger and suspicion—more than once expressed by Judge Strader against this man and expressed publicly.

Mr. Strader was the presiding judge, a position not authorized by the rules. As presiding judge, he assumed practically all the duties of the three judges and I have it from his two associates that he consulted them little and in this case not at all, not even permitting them time to protest his decision before it was made. It is unwise at least for any man making it his business to enter the stand regularly on a salary, to come outside of it and publicly express his opinions of any driver's integrity. Mr. Strader had done this and Mr. Nuckols knew of it and had been advised by some of his friends not to attempt to drive at this meeting. This was common talk about the half-mile tracks in this section all season. I personally witnessed two incidents in which Mr. Nuckols was most unfairly if not outrageously treated by other drivers in races and on inquiry by me, as to why he did not protest to the stand, his reply was that he could not get justice and was afraid he would stir up further feeling. In other words, the stand was prejudiced against him.

Nothing in the Andral-James W. race indicated that anything was wrong. Two heats were trotted, both won by Nuckols with Andral. The third heat was the fastest of the three and up to the time into the stretch, a real battle. At this point Nuckols stopped driving and it was plain to all that his horse was beaten and all in. In the meantime somebody had told the judges that there was a job and Andral was to lose. There was no indication of this in the betting and without giving Nuckols a chance to show what he might do in the fourth heat, which could not be the last unless Andral won, and with no explanation or request for one, Mr. Strader summarily ordered Nuckols down and to surrender his horse to Fathburn. Nuckols' refusal to give up his horse was a breach of rule but under the circumstances a very natural action. He did not lose his temper, did not talk loud and said nothing a gentleman should not have said. He simply retired from the scene and had no hand in the row that started. This was simply a spontaneous outburst of feeling on the part of men who were familiar with all the angles of the game and did not intend to see injustice done.

Our solons of the turf are often too prone to look upon all drivers as crooks and to prejudice them as such. To my mind such an attitude is even more dangerous than to be too lenient and overlook crookedness. We are all human and all of us at times may err but I am firmly of the opinion that a large majority of our drivers are more generally honest than their owners and, often, their judges—and that they are smart enough to realize that honesty and straight effort means success, while crookedness means ultimate oblivion. Temptations for wrongdoing are numerous and unfortunately many times some of these temptations come from the judges' stand or the track proprietor. It would seem well if we were to more closely observe the advice of our great Lincoln in that we practice "with charity to all and malice toward none."

One of the earliest of the weekly horse journals to give publicity to the above was The Horseman, and in using the same they suggested that space for a reply would gladly be accorded Mr. Strader in case he cared to make use of it, and that gentleman was prompt in his acceptance, as witness the following from The Horseman's current number:

Lexington, Ky., Jan. 8, 1915.

In a recent issue of your paper you published a letter written by Mr. H. K. Devereux relative to the October race meeting at Rockport—the Andral race in particular.

Since Mr. Devereux did not see the race in question, it seems strange that he would feel competent to write such an article, knowing only one side of the question, and that only by "hearsay." It would seem natural that Mr. Devereux should have written to me to verify his statements before they were printed as facts. He might have talked with some unprejudiced person at least.

The article is untrue from start to finish and knowing Mr. Devereux to be a gentleman, I am sure he will wish to make a correction of his statements in every paper in which his article appeared.

I am surprised that a man in his position would desire to uphold the cheating and crookedness that is killing the horse interests.

It is absurd and absolutely untrue to say I have threatened Mr. Nuckols. (Why did he get in trouble the year before with Mr. King?) I did tell Mr. Nuckols, in the presence of other drivers and the judges, that he was the crookedest driver on the track and was lucky to be able to race. Any driver will say the same. At least many have so expressed themselves to me.

It is ridiculous to say my action in the stand was "hasty and done in the heat of anger and suspicion." Mr. Nuckols is a Kentuckian whom I have known for many years and with whom I have always been on friendly terms, but when I go in the stand, all drivers are alike to me, friendship ends there; neither do I go in the stand prejudiced. I was satisfied that Mr. Nuckols "pulled" Andral at Lexington and so stated to the other judges. It was common talk here that Mr. McCabe openly said that Nuckols pulled the horse and they "got the money."

Mr. Nuckols was treated the same at Rockport as several other drivers that were taken out. They surrendered their horses without protest and in most cases the drivers substituted went on and won. Had Mr. Nuckols surrendered his horse, as he was asked to do (I knew what I was doing) the trouble would have been averted. He did not do this because he knew his horse would win with Rathburn. He acknowledged this to one of his friends after his trial in New York. At least the information came to me "first hand."

He was in trouble in Rockport in 1913. Instead of being fouled, as Mr. Devereux states, he drove a deliberate foul, as I have been informed by Starter Upton and other reputable men who saw the race and know. He was also in trouble at the spring meeting, the August meeting, and again in October.

Andral is a faster horse, better gaited and gamer than James W. and can beat him easily. Andral won the sixth heat at Lexington in 2:09¾.

Mr. Devereux says the other judges were not consulted. One of the judges, I was told, was a former employe of Mr. Nuckols. He said he had driven Andral and that Andral could easily beat James W. This was before Andral had lost the third heat. I told Mr. Counter, the third judge, that I was going to take Mr. Nuckols out, and he said, "Anything you do will be all right with me." I did not consult the second judge, as I did not want Mr. Nuckols informed of our intentions. Such information had been given out before to the drivers from the stand.

Mr. Devereux makes a point of saying the other judges had no time to protest. When I called Mr. Nuckols to the stand and told him that Mr. Rathburn would drive his horse, he said, "I will drive the horse or I will take him to the barn." He also asked me why he was being taken out, and I replied that he did not try to win the third heat. Then he repeated his words about not giving up his horse. I then asked him if he realized what his refusal would mean to him and he still refused to surrender Andral. The other judges had plenty of opportunity and time to make any comment they wished. Had Mr. Nuckols said he was doing his best and would drive to win if he were allowed to drive another heat or even said: "Here is my horse, I would be glad to have some one try with him," it would have helped the case. But he did nothing of the kind. On the contrary, he openly defied the judges. There was nothing to do other than what was done.

There is a presiding judge at the meetings in Cleveland and each association has their presiding judge, and yet Mr. Devereux says the position is not authorized by the rules. Strange, to wait until this opportunity to publish that statement.

As president of the Grand Circuit and of the Cleveland Driving Park, if Mr. Devereux had on two occasions witnessed races in which Mr. Nuckols had been most unfairly and outrageously dealt with by other drivers, why did he not intercede in Mr. Nuckols' behalf?

One thing, after all, in Mr. Devereux's article is true, and that is that I go in the stand as a paid judge. I do, and for that reason do my best to protect the public and be perfectly fair to the drivers. If the public is not protected there is trouble and if the drivers are punished for wrong doing there is more trouble.

The jobbing, pulling and foul driving has put the harness horse on the wane and has driven many honorable men out of the business and yet Mr. Devereux upholds an act like that of Mr. Nuckols' at Rockport. It shows that he knows nothing of the case.

Mr. Nuckols had a horse that could win easily and he so evidently pulled him that his followers expected trouble and were ready at once to run out on the track. Mr. Nuckols won the first two heats easily. The third heat the two horses raced on about even terms for five-eights of a mile, then Mr. Nuckols simply took Andral back or stopped driving, and James W. passed him, Nuckols trailing along in the slowest part of the track. If he anticipated unfair treatment, as Mr. Devereux states, why did he not drive to win? Why did he start at all in a three hundred dollar race, the last meeting of the year? Does Mr. Devereux suppose for one minute that Mr. Nuckols would have won the fourth heat, if the bets had not been declared off? No! But Mr. Devereux was not at Rockport that day so how should he know. When Mr. Nuckols went on and won the fourth heat, he proved then that he could have won the third heat had he so desired. He had far the better horse.

I have no desire for notoriety nor have I time to bother to answer newspaper articles. The general public and the fair-minded men interested in the horse business know that I am absolutely right. However, Mr. Devereux has blazoned me forth in false colors and I feel I owe it to myself to state facts as they are.

Mr. Devereux's article shows how little he knows of the horse game and how willing he is to listen to the guilty parties and be influenced to stand for wrong doing. I am sure since he knows the true facts, he will be glad to retract his statements.

I have been for many years in a position to know the tricks of the game and have tried to the best of my ability to uplift the horse interests.

I consented to let Mr. Nuckols drive the fourth heat, not because I thought it was fair, far from it. I did it because Mr. Ernest feared a riot and had no police protection. Had there been police protection, Mr. Nuckols would have surrendered his horse or his horse would have been taken from him and his followers would have been put off the track.

The time has come when the public will no longer stand for unfair racing. As it is now, a man cannot bet on the best horse but he must bet on whether or not the driver will try to win.

Mr. Nuckols has my sympathy. No one has more charity than I for an offender, but these things should not be allowed to go unpunished. Mr. Nuckols should know and did know, that he could not place himself in the position he did and go free.

As to the meeting being declared off, Mr. Ernest told me he did so because he had been insulted and humiliated by the drivers and by their uncivil treatment of him. I believe a county official had nothing to do with declaring off the meeting.

I have heard from different sources that Mr. Nuckols has the reformers behind him and that he is going to make trouble if he is not reinstated.

If this is true, Mr. Devereux had better spend his time getting laws passed to protect the betting in his state and uphold clean, honest racing than to spend it in upholding the crookedness that he should know is pulled off every day at race meetings. Every other follower of the game knows this.

It has been proved that the harness horse racing can live without betting, and if betting entails such outrageous acts as the Andral race, then betting had better be eliminated.

Honest racing will materially help the breeder. Instead of breeding a colt that sells for seventy-five dollars at weaning time, the breeder could as well receive two hundred, and a thousand dollar colt should bring five thousand. Isn't it worth while?

ROBERT S. STRADER.

SOME STRETCH — AND SOME SHRINK!

Up spoke Uncle Zack McGee at Archer's grocery store,
"The big rain spoiled," he said, says he, "my buckskin harness—shore.
A bran new buckskin harness spiled in that plague-take-it rain,
Plum ruined, that's the word for it, if I must state it plain.

"My woman was a-needin' wood—she punched me up to go
And take my axe and heave some whacks and lay a 'monarch' low;
I hitched my cattle to the log and hollered out, 'Git-app!'
The rain was comin' down in sheets, enough to drown a chap.
I climb upon my off ox Duke and drove 'em at a trot,
And never once looked back till we was in the choppin' lot.

"'Twas there I meant to jist onhook, but soon as I got down,
I saw there wasn't nary log a-lyin' on the ground;
But back there in the clearin' where we started from so gay
I looked and saw the log, and it was where it used to lay.
That buckskin harness wet with rain had simply stretched a mile,
And hadn't budged my log o' wood no nearer to the pile.
So I onhitched old Jeff and Duke; my heart was in the dumps.
I took their collars off and threw 'em on a pair o' stumps.
I told my woman, 'Go to bed, we'll have no fire tonight.'
Then I turned in, all gone to staves, and mad enough to bite.

"The mornin' sun came out and dried that buckskin harness hard;
It shrunk and drew that distant log right up into the yard.
The reason I'm in town today, I'll tell you grinnin' chumps—
To buy some dynamite to blast that harness off them stumps!"

—"Evening Mail," Rider and Driver.

J. D. Kellar of Detroit, Mich., vice-president of the Sell Horse Goods Company, has been on the coast recently on his customary occasional western trip in the interests of the big concern of "boss hoss haberdashers" and was given the glad hand — and his share of business—by many old acquaintances. From San Francisco he took the north trail for the Willamette and Puget Sound.

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I have no objections to hard work or to driving an entry in every race of the day's program during the racing season, but daylight hours are limited, and neither physical possibility nor the judges will stand for me driving more than one horse in each race, so I am making this offering of tried and proven campaigners and well developed prospects for classes and coast futurities. I have too many horses already well developed for one man to train and race, with more coming on steadily that must be handled. Many of the individuals offered here are well known to you, and a trip here will give you full acquaintance with any others that may interest you. Every claim made for speed already shown will be fully substantiated, every horse is exactly as represented, and every price is based fairly on what long experience assures me is a conservative estimate of their actual earning capacity in competent hands. Look this list over, come and see them, and you will realize that you have never been afforded a better opportunity for a profitable investment in horseflesh for racing purposes.

DON PRONTO 2:02¼,

eight years old, pacer, no straps, needs no boots; sound, not a blemish or a puff. Any amateur can drive him as well as a professional; has been in 2:02 with a 230 pound amateur up. This is a matter of record. Don Pronto is the cleverest all-round high class pacer in the country. Has held a world's record and is from the dam of Manrico (3) 2:07¼, a world's record holder. Is bred to be a great sire, being by THE DIRECTOR GENERAL (sire also of Wy-Drad 2:04¼, William O. 2:04¼, Mainsheet 2:05, Deuchester 2:07, etc., 8 in 2:10), and out of SILURIAN, that wonderful producing daughter of Wilton. Don Pronto was the biggest money winning free-for-all pacer in the west both in 1913 and 1914. Can surely beat his record. Is very beautiful, pleasant and a great favorite. **Price $1750.00.**

ALARICH 2:11¼ (Breeder's mark 2:09),

trotter, bay gelding with black points, 15.3, handsome, sound, fast and game; trialed at Santa Rosa last season in 2:06¾ and can do it again. Is a first class doer, can race twice a week and is eligible to the 2:13 class trots on mile tracks and to the 2:18 class on half-mile tracks; has shown well on the twice-arounds. **Price, $650.00.**

HELEN BELLE, 2 yr. old record 2:22½,

bay filly, foaled 1912, good gaited, good headed, sound and extremely fast; obtained her record with very limited training, is being worked at present and improving right along. Sired by California's greatest sire of colt trotters, CARLOKIN 2:07½. First dam Carolyn C. by Axtell (3) 2:12 (a champion); second dam by Expedition, sire of Bon Voyage 2:08; third dam by Princeps (son of Woodford Mamb.); fourth dam by Hambletonian 10.

Carolyn C. had two minute speed. This great filly is entered and paid up in the Panama-Pacific $5,000 stake for three-year-olds; the Occident and Stanford stakes, the State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A., Pleasanton and Oregon Futurities for 1915. **The best buy in California at $1750.00.**

NELLIE Mc,

black mare, trotter, eight years old, racing sound but is blemished; has always trained sound and I believe will continue to do so. Trialed at Sacramento in 2:10½ and has been a half lately in 1:03¾. Is a splendid mannered mare—anyone can drive her anywhere. She races first class, is fast, good headed, good gaited and dead game.

Sired by ZOLOCK 2:05¼, dam by Wilkes Moor, son of Guy Wilkes.

Stands about 15.3, is a round made extra good looking mare, weighs about 1140, has splendid legs and feet. She negotiates a half mile circle in A-1 style, should surely beat 2:10 this year. Does not pull a pound and can be placed anywhere. Eligible to any class. **Price $1000.00.**

CARLETA,

bay filly, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ALEXANDRIA, tr. 2:20, by Bon Voyage 2:08; second dam by Oakland Baron 2:09¼; third dam by Allandorf, etc.

This is a good trotter and should be prominent in her stake engagements. Is very handsome, good headed, sound and comes from familes noted for early speed. She has been up from pasture about six weeks and trialed this week in 2:53 very easily, last eighth in :20¼.

She is entered and paid up to date in the following stakes: Panama-Pacific $3,000 for two-year-olds, Stanford, Occident, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. **Take her at one-third her value, $500.00.**

OMAR,

trotter, trial 2:13¾, half in 1:05, eighths in :15; good headed, sound and can be depended upon. Is a beautifully gaited big horse and should prove useful to race over the twice arounds or for a matinee and road horse. He is fearless and is one of the most pleasant driving horses I have ever ridden behind. Stands slightly over 16 hands, weighs about 1200, is eight years old. Sired by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam Pineapple by Albion (son of General Benton). **A present at $350.00.**

CARLSCHEN (2) 2:23,

brown gelding by CARLOKIN, dam BONNIE AILSIE 2:08½ (dam of Contention B. (3) 2:08¼) by Faustino, son of Sidney.

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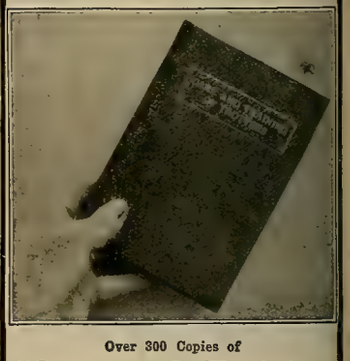
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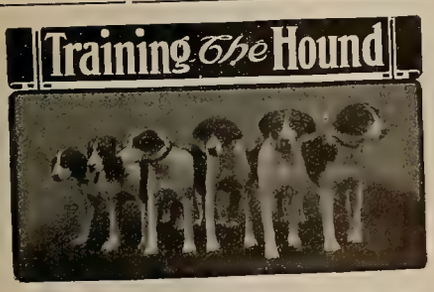
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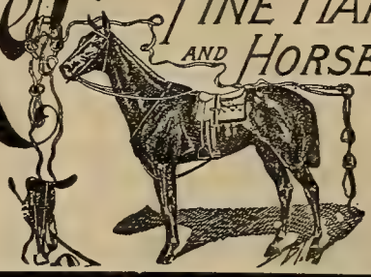


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AS TO SUNDAY MATINEEING.

With January on the wane and but a comparatively w weeks intervening before the time when racing n generally be commenced on the coast with safety the horse and comfort to the driver and specta- r, members of the local driving clubs are laying ans for the inauguration of a series of matinee ograms that will surpass in the quality of racing en those given during the season of 1914, which as the banner year for the fun drivers in San rancisco. The early Saturday matinees proved good awing cards, and when the change was made to nday the crowds that flocked to the weekly events the Stadium ran well into the thousands, establshing beyond controversy the hold which the sport as upon the local public. The interest increased eadily throughout the season, which is the healthiest evidence possible to introduce in favor of the opularity of any sport, and attendance was never reater than at the last matinee, when Zulu Belle stablished a new mark for a competitive affair over ne three-quarter-mile track in Golden Gate Park.

While the Stadium speedway has proven most ceptable in the past as a location for the holding matinees, there is a movement on foot at present mong both clubs' members to transfer the scene activities for 1915 to the big track at the grounds the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, and here is much that might be said in favor of such a lan that is too self-evident to need reviewing here. he mutual benefits that would accrue to horsemen, xposition managers and public as a result of weekly acing at the P.-P. I. E. track are, patently, varied nd extensive.

The only evident hitch in the proceedings is an nclination on the part of some "powers" of the xposition people to frown upon Sunday racing, hough it is probable that this objection will be overome. The matinees held by the driving clubs are ot money making affairs or mediums for betting, ut serve merely as opportunities for thousands of eople to derive the pure enjoyment that comes to a over of the horse from watching a clean speed conest—a case of "sport for sport's sake." Last year here was a bit of the same feeling in evidence when he change of dates from Saturday to Sunday was nade at the Stadium, but subsequent events and he so-generously attested public approval of that ourse spoke eloquently of its wisdom. The Sunday acing in no way contributed to the delinquency of ublic morals, and it brought inestimable added leasure to the one joy-day of the seven for thouands of San Francisco's sport loving public whose usiness interests or hours of employment would rohibit their attendance at a harness matinee on ny other day of the week.

There are rich men in the ranks of the driving lubs, just as there are rich men whose faces will e found in the crowds attending the races, perched igh in the grand stand or ensconced comfortably in heir autos in the parking space around the west urn, but the rank and file of both contestants and pectators is drawn from the great army of workers f all classes, from day laborers to bankers, whose ime for six days of the week is fully claimed by usiness pursuits. For these and, in many cases, heir families, there is but the one day when relaxtion is possible, and that day is Sunday. Should ot the benefit of the many have the right of way n preference to the personal prejudice of the few? Also, if the joy zone is to operate on Sunday, what reasonable objection can be raised against Sunday racing of an amateur nature?

No matter what the course taken by the exposition authorities may be, matinee racing in San Francisco will go ahead for the season in the same old way—only "more so." The Stadium speedway is one of the best fun tracks in the country, the location is good, and the class of racing afforded is the equal of much generally put on by professionals on some minor circuits, better in fact, than a good deal of it. We have the drivers and the horses to compete with driving clubs in any city, and the sport has the hold upon the public that guarantees a good attendance when the season opens in May, be that opening held either at the Stadium or the grounds of the P.-P. I. E.

THAT RACING MEASURE.

News was circulated about town early in the week that the legislature had a "racing bill" due for its consideration, but if the talk had for its foundation the measure known as Assembly Bill No. 720, introduced at the Tuesday morning session by Assemblyman Joseph E. Marron of this city, we fail to find grounds for the development of any enthusiasm over the situation that would be created by its enactment. A copy of the bill has not yet reached us, though application has been made for the same, and from the review of the bill appearing in Sacramento and San Francisco dailies we have been able to find neither "rhyme nor reason" for its introduction.

So far as we are at present aware, the bill concerns running races only, and on the face of it makes no provision for the laying of wagers in any way, shape or form. Briefly, the main provisions of the measure are as follows:

Any corporation formed in California for the purpose of racing and breeding horses can conduct one or more running race meetings within each year.

Purses, prizes, premiums and stakes may be offered in these races, provided that only owners of horses entered in the races shall have an interest in these purses.

Only one race meeting can be held in the same county in one year, and no single meeting shall last more than thirty days.

For the purpose of regulating such racing, the bill provides for the creation of a state racing commission of three members, to serve four years, and to be appointed by the governor within twenty days after the bill goes into effect. This commission must make a biennial report to the sate legislature in regard to racing conditions in the state.

The commission shall prescribe rules governing running race meets, and issue licenses to racing corporations. No running races can be conducted save by corporations duly licensed by the commission. Such licenses shall be renewed yearly, and shall be subject to revocation by the commission, with the proviso that any holder of such license shall be entitled to submit such revocation to the courts of the state for reviewing and decision as to whether it is just and merited.

Five per cent of the total gate receipts of all race meetings held in the state under the provisions of this bill are to be payable into the general fund of the state treasury.

The bill provides a penalty for "illegitimate" racing, to consist of a fine of from $500 to $1000 a day for every day such an illegitimate race meeting is conducted. The bill was referred by Speaker Young to the committee on public morals.

It has been proven in the past that thoroughbred racing will not pay in California without betting save in connection with fairs, and there are at present no obstacles in the path of promoters of races. Any association that so desires may easily arrange a running meeting without betting or without per centage payment to anyone whatsoever, so the measure falls absolutely flat in its avowed purpose, the re-establishment of thoroughbred racing in California. Racing under its provisions could pay only through the illegitimate operation throughout the towns and cities of the state of a chain of hand books and shady pool rooms in whose profits the racing associations share—a condition absolutely untenable and one whose creation would result merely in another "black eye" to the sport.

In any case of the establishment of racing under a commission or for limited periods in a county, proper provision must be made for the holding of harness races, and protection provided for the fair associations who give a few running races in connection with their regular programs. However, the bill as a whole is such a weak sister that there seems small chance of the legislative bodies paying it serious consideration, so that it is not probable that it will ever become operative.

THE HORSE REVIEW RACING GUIDE.

Too late for the proper expression of our appreciation in our preceding number, Volume Three of the Horse Review Racing Guide found its way westward last week to join its brothers in the place of honor on our work bench—which means the spot on the desk where they can be reached most handily, for of all works of reference useful in this business, none is in so constant use as the Guide. For a great deal of extremely valuable information, its statistical tables have the Year Book fighting the flag, and accuracy, the keynote of all statistical work if it is to be successful, is strictly observed. Indeed, in the few instances where there may be a slight discrepancy between the figures and fractions appearing in both publications, the first inclination on the part of many horsemen is to accept the Guide's figures as the proper ones.

In addition to the great array of summaries of the races of the season of 1914—in which, praise be, the names of the drivers are given whenever obtainable—the big features of the Guide are the complete 2:10 list, the 2:30 list for 1914, championship tables of almost every conceivable description, the largest winning campaigners, the dams of ten or more standard or two or more 2:10 performers, a comprehensive breeder's directory, and much attendant information of both interest and value. It is undoubtedly the one best bet for the library of the everyday horseman and worth many times over the modest sum its publishers ask for it.

The publishers of the Horse Review may show poor judgment in describing Chicago as a "climatic paradise," but they are certainly entitled to the winning brackets around their names whenever a new Guide appears.

PACIFIC COAST BREEDERS who have foals of 1912 nominated in Pacific Breeders Stake No. 12, the three-year-old divisions of which will be raced at the fall meeting of the P.-P. I. E., are reminded that a payment of ten dollars is due on each nomination on Monday, February first—NEXT MONDAY. Under the provisions of the stake, $2500 will be raced for by the three-year-old trotters, while $1500 is provided for the sidewheelers of the same age, with the following "side money" awards: $200 to the nominator of the dam on whose original entry is named the winner of the trot, and a similar sum to the original nominator of the pacing winner; also $100 each to the owners of the sires of the winners at the time the dam was bred. California's futurities in times past have been as hotly contested as the classics of the east, and indications point to some great colt racing here this season, as there are very many staked youngsters of much promise in training.

STALLION OWNERS are in many instances preparing for the opening of the breeding season by laying in supplies of stallion cards and other matter setting forth the various good qualities of the horses whose services they offer to brood mare owners, and by giving orders for their announcements in the business columns of this publication. The cards of three prominent sires appear in this issue, and others are scheduled to start with the first issue in February. so that our pages will soon afford breeders a good deal of "food for thought" in considering the merits of the various horses to whose services they have access. No other medium serves the needs of the horseman as does the Breeder and Sportsman, and stallion owners who are alive to the situation will see to it that their sires are represented in the select company which is presented through this medium.

THE TROTTER AND PACER, doubtless meaning to be complimentary to the highest degree, makes the statement in a recent number that "Will Durfee of Los Angeles is the Tom Murphy of California," and for some reason the comparison doesn't "rest easy" on our mind. Not disparaging the achievements of Mr. Murphy in the least, for there is no gainsaying the premier reinsmanship of the wizard of Pughkeepsie, it is pretty hard to convince a Californian that as an all-round horseman—breeder, stallion owner, trainer and race driver—Tommy Murphy is even the Billy Durfee of the Atlantic seaboard!

A Week-end at Woodland

After being notified last week by Harry Dowling that the incubator at Woodland Stock Farm was accommodating a setting of some four hundred eggs I planned to make my next visit to that speed nursery about "frying time," but one of the certainties of this world is its uncertainty, and last Saturday found me again in Yolo and again a visitor at the farm, taking especially good care to be on deck about the time H. S. started for lunch. Nor did I miss the chicken from the lunch menu, for the other member of the Dowling firm takes lessons from no one when it comes to providing the kind of meals that the boys look back to with longing when they are out on the circuit—and which a restaurant fed "city cuss" cherishes long in memory. Generally it is hazy or drizzling when I hit Woodland, but Saturday was a different kind of a day, pleasant and sunny, with but little wind, and everything "broke right" to make the trip enjoyable—the weather, the visit with the boys and horses, the hospitality extended at the house, and the auto ride in mid-afternoon across the heart of the valley to Davis.

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Elmo Montgomery is back at the Woodland track with a larger stable than he generally trains, as the Logan family keeps increasing, and he has some outside horses as well. His horses are in the string of stalls just inside the grounds from the main entrance, and with Jim Logan and his mates in the old familiar place, Woodland Stock Farm seemed more natural than it did when I was there on my last trip.



TRUE KINNEY 2:12¼

Jim was getting his morning jog when I arrived at the grounds, with Tenessee Bill Morrison up behind him and the lines dangling about his hocks—if Bill had slid out of the cart I believe I would have risked a small bet that the old scout would have jogged on until he decided that he had had enough and then leisurely hunted the barn. For a horse that has been on the go since he was two years old (which wasn't yesterday or last season by any means, as he was foaled in 1906) he is in remarkably good shape and his racing days are not yet over, as Elmo is pointing him for the June meeting of the P.-P. I. E., along with some of the younger members of the stable.

That Jim Logan (who was with Klatawah joint holder of the three-year-old pacing record of 2:05½ in former years) transmits his qualities to his get is proven without going outside the Montgomery stable, which includes two four-year-old mares by him. One of these is Maxine (3) 2:15, the first and only three-year-old of the family to be trained, and winner of the three-year-old pace of the Breeders Futurity at Salinas last summer, over a track whose record of 2:06¾ was set by her dad. Her dam is Trilby Maid by Black Ralph Jr., and Elmo is confident that she has a great future, so satisfactory has been her response to all demands made of her to date. The other four-year-old, now just broken, belongs to H. J. Kinkead of Fallon, Nevada, and is out of Katie Steinway, the full sister to Klatawah, etc. Just what sort of an animal for speed and stamina this instance of inbreeding will produce is yet a problem, but individually she is a very nice mare.

Next in attraction, of course, are the other Effie Logans of which there are three in the stable, at least two of them looking to be the real goods. The third and youngest has all the natural qualities of the others, but is bunged up from mishaps as a suckling so that he hasn't a fair show with the other two. The oldest of the trio is the brown scamp Lock Logan, whose sire, Zolock, set forth some weeks since on a trip to Europe for the good of the business in that country. This laddie Elmo wished to save for a stallion and persisted in that determination until last fall, when he came to the conclusion that he was following a "bum steer," whereupon the vet was called in and the young gentleman was emasculated. This took place shortly before the Arizona State Fair, and at this time Lock Logan is not only in prime shape again but he is a much improved horse in every way as a race prospect. He has a good turn of speed and as a four-year-old worked in 2:12¾, 1:03¼ and :30¼.

It was to the cover of Diablo 2:09¼ that Effie Logan threw the youngster that first brought her into prominence as a brood mare—Sir Albert S. 2:03¾, the speedy sidewheeler bred by the late Wm. G. Layng—and it is back to a similar nick that her owner went in search of more speed, the two youngsters Rush Logan and John E. Logan in the Montgomery stable being by Demonio 2:11¼, full brother to Diablo. As progenitors of extreme speed these brothers are running a pretty evenly matched race and the development of the Demonio-Effie Logan pair will be of added interest on this account. At the close of 1914, Diablo was credited with eight 2:10 performers, the fastest of which was Sir Albert S. 2:03¾, while brother Demonio had seven, headed by Mona Wilkes 2:03¼. Daughters of Diablo have three in 2:10, while those of Demonio have but one, Del Rey 2:03¾, but in the future it is probable that the representation of Demonio, in both branches, will see the most numerous additions. Rush Logan is a husky lad, three years old, with apparent present right to develop into a fast horse, but the other boy is the hard-luck youngster previously alluded to. He was trampled while a baby and has a knee that may or may not bother him as age comes on, and he seems inclined to gather in most of the other ills to which a colt is heir. At that, he may turn out a regular go getter, as such things have more than once come to pass in the case of hard luck colts—Cresceus 2:02¼, for a notable example.

Another member of the stable that carries the "family blood" of the Montgomery establishment is the two-year-old filly Carolyn M., the one and only living foal of Lock Logan, and out of the dam of Maxine. She is staked in the pacing events for two- and three-year-olds and has a chance to be right up with the bunch at the wire, as she is showing nicely and is a racy trick all around, with especially pleasing underpinning. For the three-year-old paces Elmo has Bondalean (2) 2:20½, that took second money in the two-year-old pacing division of the Breeders Futurity at Salinas and later won the Pleasanton event for that age and gait, obtaining his record in the latter. This lad was bred by the late W. J. Miller of Chico and is at present the property of the estate, which was devised intact to Mrs. Miller. He is by The Bondsman and out of that former futurity winner at the trot, Katalina 2:11¼ by Tom Smith, and made a host of friends by his performance in the Breeders Futurity, when he gamely "stuck it out" in spite of lameness. Troubled as he was by his feet he worked in 2:15 as a two-year-old, and now that he is squared away with a good set of hoofs under him he looks to be pretty formidable in his class.

Booze 2:07¼, the Sacramento pacer belonging to Jack Lauffer and formerly in Col. Jim Thompson's hands, is Elmo's class pacer if he lives up to Sacramento claims, and is taking his early work nicely. His racing career is confined to the one start at Santa Rosa in which he won the second heat from Guy Borden in 2:07¼ and was second in the other two heats to the son of Guy Dillon in 2:07¼ and 2:07½, but in his work he has shown considerably more speed than that. However, whether he is "hundred proof goods" or merely a "bar whisky" composed mostly of cheap spirits, burnt sugar and fusel oil will be developed from the samples that Elmo will indulge in a bit later on.

From the foregoing paragraphs one might get the idea that the Montgomery stable is purely a sidewheeler affair, but there is one trotting miss who is a candidate for the three-year-old stakes. This is Winnie Bond (2) 2:27½, by The Bondsman—Miss Winn by Demonio 2:11¼, bred by Rush & Haile of the Suisun Stock Farm. From a discouraging prospect as a two-year-old, as she was apparently hopelessly tangled in her gait, Elmo has brought her along to the point where he thinks she will trot close to the coast record for her age this year and amply repay the time spent in straightening her out.

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While standing at the drawgate talking to some of the boys, I heard a mid-summer clatter of hoofs behind me and turned just in time to see Hi Hogoboom come down the stretch with a bay youngster with a mighty honest way of going, and when I trailed Hi to his quarters across the road from the Considine establishment I found out that he was honest in more ways than one, as his name is Honest Boy. He is a four-year-old Palo King, out of Miss Ione by Iran Alto 2:12¼, second dam Ione by McKinney, third dam Gyp (dam of two), etc., and he is working mighty nicely at the trot—has a big reach and a straight-ahead way of going that ought to declare some dividends later on. Hi also has a yearling full sister to him that is a pleasing little lady, merely ground broken, entered in the Breeders Futurity.

Little Tim is another Palo King two-year-old trotter of promise, first, second and third dams by Kinney Rose, Stam B. and Silver Bow, respectively, and Woodland King by Palo King, out of Beautiful Bird by Nutwood Wilkes, second dam the great broodmare Expressive 2:12½ by Electioneer, is the stable's entry for the Occident and Oregon stakes this year. This is a fine looking lad and a trotter of quality, as you are likely to learn for yourselves later on. Hi is just breaking a four-year-old mare by his premier and out of a daughter of Falrose for Mr. Chalmers of Woodland, and while no speed has been made with her she has the general build and inclination that marks her family and will no doubt pay a good profit for her handling.

One of the nicest members of the string is Beautiful Girl, the four-year-old sister to Alto Express 2:22¼ (by Iran Alto 2:12¼—Beautiful Bird, etc.). She differs from the Palo Kings in color, being a rich chestnut while they are pretty uniformly bays, but she has all their quality and finish and had standard trotting speed as a two-year-old. Similar in color but different in gait and breeding is the lad in the adjoining stall, Enchilada, by Palite, dam Paprika by Oro Belmont, etc. Hi had him up in Oregon last season and gave him a record of 2:18¼ over the half-mile track at Eugene, while in his work he has taken a rap at the 2:10 figure.

The boss of the outfit I found taking things easy at a haystack behind the barn—Little Express (2) 2:20, winner of the two-year-old pacing division of the Breeders Futurity at Salinas last year. She is the first of the get of Alto Express to go in the list and is the right kind for a horse to start in with, as she has race not only in her physical makeup but in her head as well. She is one of the best prospects for the three-year-old classes this year, and is bred in speed producing lines on the maternal side, being out of Diawalda (dam of The Bulletin 2:28½) by Diablo 2:09¼, etc., and a bit of a story goes with her in this respect that will be told at some future day. Palo King himself is in fine winter shape, and incidentally 1915 looks like a good year for youngsters by him.

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Dr. D. F. Herspring is "taking his" on the road in a buggy at present, but will start speeding up a bit before long and move to the track with three head. Little Lucille (3) 2:09, that repeatedly proved her quality in her three-year-old form in 1911 by pacing in or around 2:10 on various occasions, will be raced by the Doctor this year under lease from her owner, John Clark. She is the fastest of the Palo Kings, from a Diablo mare, and the legs that previously gave her some trouble are in nice shape at present, and her present trainer has had pretty good success in keeping doubtful underpinning bolstered up. The other aged member of the stable is also a Palo King—Don Rosine, six years old, out of Fidelity by Falrose 2:19, second dam Mischief 2:22¼ (dam of Primrose 2:13) by Brown Jug, etc. He has worked at the trot in 2:29½, 1:08½ and :33¼ and is a most attractive individual, one of the showy kind. C. A. Harrison calls him "the Woodland dude," and Herspring is laying plans to force Clinton A. to take off his hat to him for more than mere appearance.

The lad that the Doctor hails as the real goods as a trotter, however, is his three-year-old colt Richmond Rankin, and if breeding makes 'em this lad is there with all four feet. He is by Zorankin (2) 2:29¾ (a son of Zombro 2:11 and Dimontes by Diablo 2:09¼) and out of Edna Richmond by Richmond Chief 2:11, second dam Edna R. 2:11¾ by Sidney 2:19¾ (sire of the dams of eleven in 2:10), third dam Stella C. 2:26, a producing daughter of Director 2:17, fourth and fifth dams by Speculation and Gaviotta, respectively.

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The Woodland Stock Farm string was given a pretty thorough going over in print at the time of my last visit, and few if any changes have been

made in the personnel of the training stable, and everything is working to the entire satisfaction of Superintendent Dowling and Walter Maben. The string of yearlings and Johnny Ray's horses that were sent to Lexington lightened things up a bit on the daily program of jogging so that the boys are able to devote more time to bringing along the ones that are pointed for the races this year. Clara Mac 2:04½, last year's pacing queen, and Lottie Ansel (2) 2:14¼, the best two-year-old trotting filly of 1912, are taking a good deal of their exercise to pole and like it. The black mare has been taken up and clipped since I saw her last and is as "slick as a whistle," while Lottie Ansel is maturing into an exceedingly handsome mare and promises to go on with her speed as well as she started with it. The youngsters of the stable are coming along nicely, with not much asked of them to date, but there is ample time for speed making before any of their engagements roll around. Josie Ansel rises in Harry's estimation with every ride he takes behind her, and defi's are issued to any and all green pacers on the coast for a genuine horse race whenever the bell rings this season, as she is regarded at the farm as the "1915 Clara Mac."

Quarrie Denmark and Gayristo, the high school saddle horses, were sold recently to R. J. MacKenzie for the use of himself and "Mrs. Mack" and they will probably figure pretty prominently in the horse show here in San Francisco next month. Harry has a hankering for the pigskin seat, however, and in between chores like putting in a crop, re-roofing the training stables, shoeing a few horses, clipping others, jogging still more, etc., he finds time to give a bit of attention to Prince Arista (brother to Arista Ansel (2) 2:18¼) whom he is educating as a saddler, and who is taking kindly to that system.

The colt crop promises to be a good one and the mares are looking especially good for this season—in good flesh and healthy and hearty. The first foals are due shortly and are awaited with much interest, as a big band of baby trotters are just about as fascinating as a good field of aged horses on the track. Prince Ansel is taking daily work and thriving wonderfully well under it, and a number of outside matrons are already booked to him and his stud companions, Robert Bingen 2:11¼ and True Kinney 2:12¼.

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Two "somebodies" in Chicago evidently figure that first money in the big exposition stake and other events of the season is already as good as won by Dr. Burns, Jr., the great pacer now at Los Angeles in the stable of Al Whitney. Ten thousand dollars was offered for him recently in the Windy City, which is the Horse Review idea of a "climatic paradise," and gently but positively refused.

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GEO. W. McKINNEY 2:14½.

As noted briefly in the last issue of the Breeder and Sportsman, the good trotter and speed sire George W. McKinney was killed Monday, January 18, at the establishment of Dr. B. C. McKlintock at Fullerton. Two years ago the old horse was purchased from Hemet Stock Farm by John Davis, but had failed rapidly of late from advancing years and had been bought by his last owner in the hope of expert treatment building him up. The effort came too late, however, and when he was found down in his stall last week he was put out of his suffering by a bullet.

George W. McKinney was bred by the late Colonel E. L. Mayberry of Alhambra and was one of the early sons of McKinney 2:11¼, having been foaled in 1893, the year following the birth of Zombro 2:11, foremost among the sons of the Durfee premier as a progenitor of extreme speed. The dam of the bay fellow was also bred by Col. Mayberry and was a rugged old time trotter herself—Lady Washington 2:35. Foaled in 1874 (a daughter of Whipple 8977 and Lady Mayberry by Chieftain 721), she did yeoman road and pleasure service, won a number of races for her owner over the old track at Los Angeles early in the 'eighties, and then gave excellent account of herself as a brood mare. In 1890, to the cover of Alcazar 2:20½, she produced the trotter El Molino 2:20, and when mated to McKinney gave birth to George W. McKinney 2:14½ (1893) and Washington McKinney 2:17½ (1896). Both raced to their records trotting and both achieved fame in the stud, though neither enjoyed the best of opportunities. George W. McKinney, in fact, had practically no chance at all to prove his merits as a sire for very many years—until his purchase not many seasons back by Mr. W. F. Whittier, who had always contended that he was really a great horse. Though well along toward the two-score mark in years before this transaction, he justified Mr. Whittier's faith by begetting a world's champion from among the first band of really choice mares mated to him.

Lady Mayberry's maternal pedigree is unestablished, but it must have been of a fair quality, as she is grandam also of Dubec 2:17 and the two-year-old trotter Mista 2:29. Chieftain was a son of Hiatoga and appears in numerous tabulations through his daughters, one of whom produced Goshen Jim 2:08¼, another becoming the dam of Mount Vernon 2:15¼, sire of the dams of Vernon McKinney 2:01½, Leata J. 2:03, etc.

In the hands of Peter Hodges, Geo. W. McKinney made his initial bow to the public in 1897, starting in seven events in California and being but once behind the money—his first race. At Chico he was second in a fourth heat in 2:18½, and the next year was deemed good enough for a trip across the mountains, making his first start June second at Colorado Springs and winning with little effort. At Denver's big two-week meeting he achieved the distinction of winning three firsts and one second, acquiring his record of 2:14½ in the third heat of a five-time-out affair in which he trounced John Nolan and a number of other high class trotters. These performances caused him to be hailed as one of the best green trotters ever taken across the divide, and also inspired forebodings as to his future on the part of local wiseacres, as he was short of work when taken east. Subsequent events proved their fears evidently well grounded, as the horse was never again so good and finished behind the money in three out of the four starts that completed his season. In 1899 he was started but three times, failing to stand better than third in the summary in any event, and was then retired to the stud.



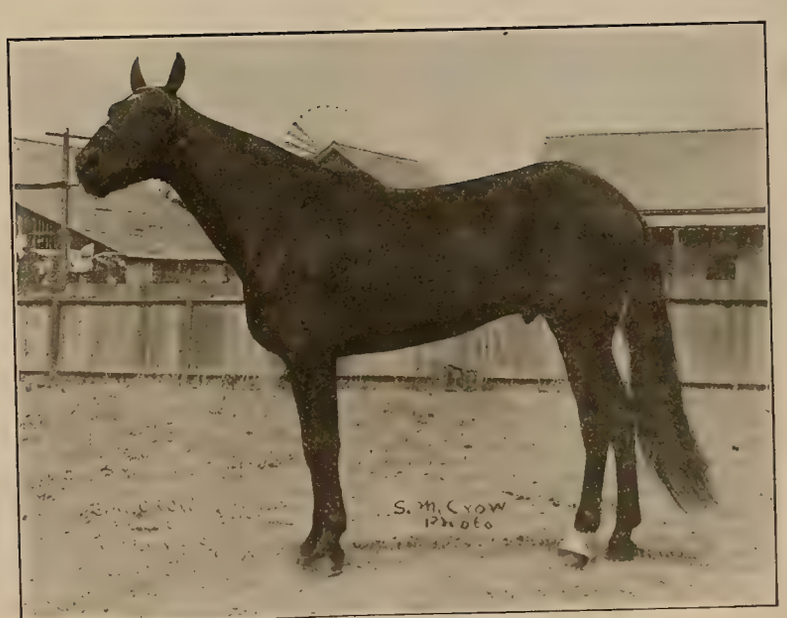
GEORGE W. McKINNEY 2:14½

Being "retired to the stud" in his case meant being practically retired from everything, as he had access to almost no mares in his home locality, and it was not until, 1906 that his name appeared in the table of sires, his initial performer being the trotting mare Nealy W. 2:27½ (dam of Nealy Stanley 2:24¾) bred by Col. Mayberry and at present a member of the band of matrons assembled at Hemet Stock Farm.

In 1908 he gained his first 2:10 performer in Silver Dick 2:09¼, who won a number of races in California, taking his fastest record at Santa Rosa. About this time, or a bit before, he was purchased by Mr. Whittier and mated to a few good mares with gratifying results. In 1912 his three-year-old son Hemet (out of Lady Zombro 2:24½, by Zombro 2:11) won the pacing divisions of the State Fair and Breeders Futurity, establishing in the second heat of the latter event the world's record of 2:08¼ for three-year-old pacing geldings, a record that has never been equaled in a race. Contention B. tied it in an exhibition at Phoenix and Bud Elliot clipped the quarter second from it in a similar event at Memphis last season, but a racing pacer of the age and sex has never turned the trick.

The following season another good youngster by George W. appeared in prominent positions in the summary of two of the coast's cherished classics, the three-year-old filly Miss Gailey, full sister to the pacing champion of the previous season. Piloted by the wily veteran, Budd Doble, she won the first two heats of the Stanford before giving way to the better behaved Durfee entry, Rags, achieving a record of 2:12½. The pair also annexed first and second money in the Occident stake, with Rags again having the best of the argument.

The season just passed witnessed several additions to his list of performers, and a newcomer to his 2:10 circle, San Jacinto reducing his record to 2:05¼ in the last heat of a winning race at Sedalia in which the time was 2:06¼, 2:05½, and 2:05¼. Handicapped by the sickness of his regular trainer and driven usually by catch drivers, San Jacinto nevertheless gave a fair account of himself, and wound up his performance for the year by setting the pacing record for the new half-mile track at Riverside at 2:09½ on Dec. 26. That Geo. W. McKinney's posthumous honor will exceed that accorded him in life is probable, as Hemet Stock Farm, and other parties, have numerous promising youngsters by him. That his daughters will breed on is evidenced by the performances of Nealy Stanley 2:24¾, Alhambra 2:27, and Will Durfee's good trotter Alarich 2:09.



HEMET (3) 2:08¼, BY GEO. W. McKINNEY 2:14½
Holder of the three-year-old race record for pacing geldings.

NOTES and NEWS

Sunday will be a good day to write that stallion ad.

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Also to write to your senator or representative about that district fair bill, if you have not already done so.

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Don't forget that a ten dollar payment on three-year-olds in Pacific Breeders Stake Number Twelve, for trotters and pacers to race this year, is due on Monday, February first.

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San Jose Driving Park is getting a pretty good share of the winter training strings, and the ranks of both trainers and horses are being augmented steadily.

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R. J. MacKenzie is the latest coast horseman to adopt the Peter the Great habit, having recently purchased from Bert Shank two yearlings by the premier of Patchen Wilkes Farm, one a filly out of Mapletta by Onward 2:25¼ and the other a colt from Bessie McKinney (2) 2:27¼ by McKinney 2:11¼.

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Only three weeks until the exposition opens! It hardly seems possible but it is true, just the same. The auto races later in January will give the new track a good "initiating" and it will be a great piece of footing before the bell calls 'em out for the 2:30 trot on June 5th.

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J. J. Campbell of Pasadena had a bit of hard luck recently when Kate Kopje lost her stud foal by Robert Bingen at Woodland Stock Farm. Kate Kopje is a daughter of the one-time champion Cresceus 2:02¼ and is the dam of that good youngster in the Sutherland & Chadbourn stable, Bon Cres (3) 2:10¼.

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H. E. Middleton of Oakdale, California, wishes to obtain the present address of Harry Lewis, who offered a number of horses for sale some time back. Should Mr. Lewis see this, or should anyone seeing it know his whereabouts, communication with Mr. Middleton, Box 453, Oakdale, will be appreciated.

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The only way you can lose money through an investment in the last number of the Horse Review Racing Guide is by fire or theft. The latter is the much greater risk, as to see a copy is to want it regardless of mere matters of morality in the way of getting it.

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Plans are well under way for the construction of a mile track at the Kings County Fair Grounds at Hanford, where successful fairs have been given for nearly twenty years by the county association. Hanford is a good town in a good country, and horsemen will learn of the proposed improvement with a great deal of pleasure.

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A. B. Spooner of Pecho Ranch near San Luis Obispo, where the speed sire Morris A. (sire of Choro Prince 2:08¾, etc.) is maintained for private use, has at the ranch an eight-months-old filly foal by that horse and out of San Luis Bell, dam of the pacer Bay Jeff, trial 2:21½, owned by Clarence J. Berry, which he reports to be not only a beautiful bit of horseflesh, but a natural pacer as well.

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Lou Taylor is due home next week from his holiday visit at his old home "down east" made famous in the horse world by "Save the Horse" and "Mack's" veterinary remedies, and will open a public stable at Pleasanton. Lou is a competent trainer with plenty of friends among horse owners, and will probably get all that he wants to handle in the way of staked youngsters or aged campaigners.

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One of our eastern contemporaries, commenting on the sale of Frank Perry (1) 2:15 for only $355, stated that he "was altogether out of condition when led into the sale ring." Frank Perry has been a hard luck horse but he is far from a wreck such as one would expect him to be after reading the above, and if Frank Malcolm didn't get a great big money's worth when he bought the Toddington lad we miss our guess.

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Elmo Montgomery has purchased of James W. Marshall of Dixon the yearling bay colt Marshall Logan by Jim Logan 2:01¾, dam Leota 2:23 by Diablo 2:09¼, second dam Trix Marshall (dam of seven) by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½. The little fellow is at the Montgomery home ranch at Davis and is just halter broken, but a good profit on the purchase price wouldn't get him, as he carries on both sides the blood of coast pacing champions of the genuine kind.

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"Phoenix Pholks" will hold a matinee on February twenty-second as a fitting way of celebrating the birthday of George Washington — not the George Washington that sired the dam of Star Hal 2:04¾ or any of the others of that name who figure in trotting pedigrees, but the George Washington who was sired by such a noble sire and damned by every loyal subject of King George the Third. George couldn't tell a lie, and if he could appear in person at the Phoenix matinee he couldn't take a drink either—not if prohibition prohibits.

The Morristown Driving Park, which has been in existence since before the civil war and in the sixties was the scene of a number of historic contests between the champions of that day, has been leased by Judge W. H. and Paul Moore of New York City and will be used by them as a breeding and training farm. The old bell that rang in the ears of Dexter, Ethan Allen, Lady Thorn, Goldsmith Maid and others of lesser fame is still doing duty at the wire.

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And now come eastern dispatches stating that the executive committee of the Connecticut Fair Association has voted to withdraw the Charter Oak track from the Grand Circuit, of which it has been a member for forty years. Hartford was assigned the date of September 6-11 at the recent meeting of the powers of the big line at Detroit, and this action on the part of the fair people comes as a bit of a surprise at this time. It also means a possible shakeup in eastern dates.

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Hemet Stock Farm reports the recent sale to R. D. Morrison of two good youngsters, one of them the now four-year-old Frank Holloway (3) 2:22½ that took his record last fall over the half-mile track at Riverside and is a full brother to the three-year-old champion pacing gelding Hemet (3) 2:08¼, being a son of the dead George W. McKinney 2:14½ and Lady Zombro 2:24¼. The other one is the two-year-old filly Selma Paley by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼, dam Stambia by Stam B. 2:11¼, second dam Mora Mac by McKinney 2:11¼. This lass, who is in all the coast stakes and the Kentucky futurity, worked a half as a yearling in 1:13¼, and the farm reports that they have plenty more of the same kind.

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In pursuance of a long cherished plan to make Santa Anita Rancho as famous for the production of the heavier class of general utility horses as her late father made it as a speed nursery for "racin' cattle," as our English cousins sometimes call them, Mrs. Anita M. Baldwin purchased last week of the Dunham & McLaughlin Company the Percheron stallions Jusque and Margio and a band of twenty Percheron mares, which will form the basis for the new venture. The horses will engage in the various show classes at the exposition before being established at the home of their new owner.

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V. L. Shuler of Indianapolis writes, under date of January 18, that he expected to "load out" for California on the 28th from the Indiana State Fair Grounds with a car of horses pointed for the big stakes and class races at the P.-P. I. E., including Peter McCormick 2:08¼, Fleeta Dillon 2:08¾, Twinkling Dan 2:06¼, Little Prince 2:06½, Billy M. 2:03¼, and others less famous. The shipment will probably come to Pleasanton, and will form an interesting addition to the winter colony. Mr. Shuler is a well known figure on eastern circuits, over which he has campaigned since the eighties or early nineties, and will be recalled here on the coast as the man who "made" Sterling McKinney 2:06¼ and cashed him for a round twenty-five thousand dollars.

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A number of changes have been made this week in the sale announcement of W. G. Durfee, particularly in the matter of trials by some of the youngsters, as practically all the horses on which sale prices have been set are in training and the younger members are coming stronger every week. Rags, well known to coast horsemen as the winner of the Breeders and Oregon Futurities and the Stanford, Occident, and Governor's Stakes has been added to the number formerly described, and is one of the most useful trotters on the coast. He is the kind that should win himself out at the races and then make one of the greatest matinee trotters in the country. Incidentally, there are few if any better ones entered to date in the big trotting stakes at the P.-P. I. E.

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Foreign horse buyers have been operating in our horse markets of late, securing animals for army service, and doubtless the California horses will give good service in the big war raging across the water. Some days ago a youngster named Castro down in Monterey county was riding his pet cayuse, Black Sam, along one of the mountain trails in the Abelardo region when the horse threw a fit at some imaginary bugaboo, lost his balance and went over the cliff with his rider. Down the side of the mountain for a quarter of a mile the pair plunged before getting a solid foothold, but neither horse nor vaquero was injured further than a few scratches of a merely minor nature. To a purely peaceful, disinterested party, it would seem that horses of this kind would be most useful in warfare.

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E. T. Ayres, one of the main stays of local amateur racing, is wintering two good fun horses at his Devisadero Street Stables, the Stadium favorites Tom Murphy and Dalta A. The former, who is a son of Gossiper 2:14¾ and out of a daughter of Memo (sire of the dam of Charley D. 2:06¼, etc.) has a race record of 2:09½ pacing in professional company and has been a most consistent matinee performer. He has topped the summary on numerous occasions at the Stadium, and last year stepped a third heat in a winning four-heat race in 2:11. The other lad, by Charles Derby, has a matinee record of 2:24½ and has won several of the Stadium events for trotters. Mr. Ayres is giving them easy winter work and expects to have them ready for the amateur classes at the June meeting at the P.-P. I. E., as well as the regular driving club programs.

Billy Roeder, proprietor of one of the fastest tracks in the local highball circuit, is on the scout for a good matinee trotter according to local rumor and will join in the fun in the local amateur events this season. If the fun drivers race half as fast in July as they are doing now on the highball circuit there will be some great doings, for sure, as from the ferry slips to "the Cliff" they are going some awful miles.

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Clarence J. Berry has been a recent visitor in Los Angeles, getting first hand information as to how his trotters are coming along in the Durfee stable. Not content with grabbing all the three-year-old money in sight locally in 1914 he is planning to repeat in 1915, sink his fins deep into the big money of the 2:06 pace and 2:10 trot at the exposition, and annex a bunch of class money as well. He'll do it too, if someone isn't mighty careful!

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John N. Colomb of this city while in Pleasanton recently arranged with C. L. DeRyder to breed Mary Gordon 2:09¾ by Gordon 3427 back to Vernon McKinney 2:01½ this season. She is due to foal to the cover of the same speedy member of the MacKenzie stable in a few weeks and Mr. Colomb is already turning down generous offers for the coming youngster. Mary Gordon is already the dam of Onward McGregor (3) 2:23¼, and has a maternal inheritance that was never more highly regarded than at present, her dam being a daughter of Young Octoroon, sire among others of the granddam of Peter the Great 2:07¼, J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, etc.

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Kinney Benton, the young hopeful owned by C. A. Harrison of Seattle, now rejoices in the registry number of 62013 and is in the records as being by that good young trotter and sire, True Kinney 2:12¼, out of Princess Viola by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, sire of the dam of the one-time champion John Malcolm (2) 2:11½, etc.; second dam Viola by General Benton, sire of the dams of Sunol 2:08¼, Serpol 2:10, Lena N. 2:05¼, etc.; third dam Violet, great brood mare, by Electioneer, sire of the dams of eleven 2:10 performers, etc.; fourth dam also a producer. He is entered in the Breeders Futurity and other stakes, and as C. A. has sent out warning that he is "in to stay," somebody—or several somebodies—had better begin to make a little speed if they want part of the stake money. Mr. Harrison's four-year-old pacing filly Tosora by The Patchen Boy (3) 2:10¾, dam Niquee 2:13¼ by Joe Patchen 2:01¼ is wintering fine for Trainer J. B. Stetson at Salem, and this good judge of horseflesh hails her half sister Boniquee (by Count Boni and out of Niquee) as one of the most beautiful fillies in the world and a sure-enough pacer. C. A. stopped figuring the profits on the New Richmond Hotel long enough to arrange to trade this lass to Canadian parties, but her trainer raised a riot that caused the deal to die an early death. Here's hopin' they all stand the acid.

A LETTER FROM HARRY NELSON.

Selma, Cal., Jan. 24, 1915.

Breeder and Sportsman:

I was called to Hanford on business, and having an hour or so in the evening I drove out to the track at the King's County Fair Grounds and found all the horses looking good and their trainers well pleased with the way they are starting up.

Moody Liggett has a very promising two-year-old pacer by Guy Borden 2:07¼ and out of a mare by Athadon 2:27; this fellow is in one stake only, but makes his trainer and owner wish he was entered in more. Mollie, the green mare that was started in a special at Hanford last fall and made a nice showing, is looking fine and is well thought of, having worked the local track after the fair in 2:13, last half in 1:03. Mountaineer, a trotting son of Athadon belonging to Joe Senter, is also in Liggett's stable—looks like a good horse and is learning to trot.

Russell Gray, who was Walter Gallup's right hand man in the making of Clara Mac 2:04½, is much pleased with his horses and thinks they are a select bunch. The stable is headed by Harry Mac, by Expressive Mac 2:25½, a youngster that always has two-minute speed on tap and that will be raced this year; he also has a big, fine looking trotter in another son of Expressive Mac—Ira Mac, first dam by Iris, second dam by Strathway. This fellow trotted a mile in 2:33, last half in 1:15 in his second workout this winter and is a grand big horse. King Policy by Best Policy, and out of a daughter of Hambletonian Wilkes, second dam the great brood mare Ida May by Hawthorne, has been working very nicely on the trot and went a mile in his 1914 work in 2:25. A son of Robert Direct in Gray's stable is also some trotter.

Philip C. Byrne has Scott McKinney, the fast little mare Oleander which is quite a pacer, and a Percheron draft stallion, Irun. All are in good shape and Mr. Byrne enjoys riding behind Oleander so well that he thinks he would like to sell both stallions and devote his entire time to training.

The district attorney has started suit to condemn property adjoining the fair grounds, as they are bound to have a mile track at Hanford. I write you this bit of news so Hanford boys will feel that they are on the map, and, as I told them, Hanford is due for one good money getter every year. Here's hoping the mile track will be ready for 1915.

Yours truly,

J. H. NELSON.

HAL BOY 2:06¼.

In the five years just passed, six of the get of Hal B. 2:04¼ have won in excess of five thousand dollars each, the gross winnings of the six for that period being approximately $80,000, and in 1914 the get of the unregistered son of Hal Dillard 2:04¾ and Ellen M. by Blue Boy annexed $31,460, a figure generously in excess of the winnings of the get of any other one stallion, save Peter the Great, for that season. Of this latter amount, approximately one-third must be credited to the individual efforts of Hal Boy 2:06¼, the great pacer in the stable of Marvin Childs at Pleasanton whose likeness appears on our cover page this week.

Hal Boy's racing career began very modestly in 1912 while he was a member of the Squires stable up in Oregon, his initial appearance in professional company being on July fourth at Gresham, where he was entered in the 2:25 mixed class, purse $200, half-mile heats. After a five heat contest in which three heat winners appeared, he managed to top the summary, his third heat in 1:10 the fastest of the event and equaled but once during the day. Later in the year Squires took him across the line to Vancouver, B. C., and started him in the 2:20 pace, in which he finished third to Hal Edo and Baron Lovelace, the fastest time of the race being 2:17¾.

This was the extent of his "preliminary" campaign, but the following August he again made his appearance in the hands of Mr. Squires when the 2:20 pace at the Centralia-Chehalis fair was called, finishing second to Delmas in 2:13¼, 2:13¼ and 2:11¾, and about this time folks up north began to take notice of a brand new Hal B. "good 'un." Back to Canada again for the Vancouver meeting, he registered his first winning performance in straight heats in the twenty class, being obliged to acquire a standard record in next to the slowest time allowable, 2:24¾. After this performance he passed to the stable of Marvin Childs, and in his first start for that young gentleman, over the track at The Meadows, Seattle, he proved himself possessed of 2:10 speed by finishing 2-2-2 to College Gent in 2:09¾, 2:10 and 2:11, repeating the trick at Spokane the following week in about the same time. Starting in the four thousand dollar stake for 2:08 pacers at Salem he ranked third in the summary to Hal Gray and Francis J., having finished 2-3-2 in 2:08, 2:08¼ and 2:08¼.

Winter quarters caught him shortly after this race, but winter quarters were not to hold him long, as he was entered straight through the Canadian circuit and on May 25th at Edmonton he made the first start of the campaign that was to rank him as the best winner ever raced in that territory, and give him fifth position among all the money winning pacers of the year, his earnings for the season of 1914 being exceeded, among his kind, by only these four—King Couchman 2:02¾, Napoleon Direct 2:02¼, Peter Stevens 2:02¼ and Directum I 1:58.

At Edmonton he finished third in the 2:25 pace, $400, Hal Chief and Jim Stewart outranking him in the final summary, though he won the fifth heat in the fastest time of the race, 2:17¼. On June 6 at Saskatoon he trounced Joe McGregor after a five heat battle in a mixed class for a purse of $500, with the fastest heat in 2:15¼, and from that time on he "had on his winning clothes," registering the following successive straight heat wins: June 10, Yorktown, 2:15 trot and 2:20 pace, $600; June 20, Regina, 2:20 pace, $1000; June 23, Moose Jaw, 2:25 pace, $1000; July 2, Calgary, 2:22 pace, $1000; July 6, Swift Current, 2:25 pace, $1000; July 15, Winnipeg, 2:20 pace, $4000; July 17, Winnipeg, 2:17 pace, $1000. At Calgary he obtained his present win-race record of 2:12¼, being one of three horses to establish the new track record at that figure during the week, the other two being Knight Onwardo and Oviedo.

Starting westward from Winnipeg for the second meetings of the prairie towns and the fairs in the northwest on this side of the international boundary, the lad won the 2:25 pace, $1000, at Regina on July 29 after dropping the first heat to Mussell Shell in 2:15, but before leaving the Saskatchewan valley metropolis re-assumed the straight heat habit and annexed the following events in that decisive style: August 1, Regina, 2:20 pace, $1000; August 4, Saskatoon, 2:15 pace, $1000; August 7, Saskatoon, 2:22 pace, $1000; August 13, Edmonton, 2:18 pace, $3000; September 8, Vancouver, B. C., 2:20 pace, $1000; September 16, Walla Walla, free-for-all pace, $1000, at this point showing his ability to go the route in heavy footing by beating Ovieda, College Gent, Dan Logan and Delmas, a pretty hard bunch of pacers to handle. On September 21 at North Yakima, in the race in which a new record was established for that oval, he again tangled up with College Gent and Ovieda, the summary standing at the end of the three-heat free-for-all for $1000, College Gent 2-1-2, Ovieda 1-2-3, Hal Boy 2-4-1, and the time 2:05, 2:06½, 2:06¼. Shipped to Salem for the 2:20 pace, $700, he won in straight heats and slow time, going into winter quarters at Pleasanton not long afterwards with a record of eighteen starts for his campaign, sixteen of them firsts and two thirds.

Hal Boy was foaled in 1907 and was bred by August Erickson of Portland, Oregon. The Hal B. blood is well backed on the maternal side, as the boy's dam is the great brood mare Altalena (dam also of Sunny Jim 2:11½) by Altamont 2:26¾ (sire of the dams of eight in 2:10); second dam Laska by Rockwood 1467, etc. For some time past he has been owned by Edward Peterson of Omaha, one of the principal patrons of both Frank and Marvin Childs in the campaigning of both trotters and pacers, and he is entered in the 2:06 pace for the big money at the June and November meetings to be held in connection with the Panama-Pacific International Exposition.

Hal Boy is a very attractively built bay gelding of medium size, with the kind of manners and a way of going that are great assets to a horse when going up against a hard field; he has plenty of speed which has come to him in a steadily increasing measure, has an excellent set of legs and feet under him, and will furnish competition for the horse that shows him the way to the wire in his class in 1915. Coupled with him in our cover illustration (which is from a picture taken a few days ago at Pleasanton) is his friend and sidekicker, Raffles, the mascot of the Childs establishment. Raffles is some dog, as anyone who knows him will admit, but like Sam, of the Sutherland & Chadbourn stable, he has one very bad habit—an inordinate desire for fast company. Seems like neither of them is really satisfied unless there are a bunch of those close to two-minute pacers somewhere around, and the thicker they get and the faster they are, the better pleased Raffles and Sam both seem to be. Do you suppose that is why their owners always arrange to have some of that kind on hand—do you? Ask them—or the dogs!

TRAGEDIES OF THE CARPATHIAN PASSES.

It's not a gasoline power war in Austria but a horse power war, and the tragedy of the horse is seen at every turn. The great roads in Galicia, leading through the Carpathians, were literally jammed, for miles, with wagon trains, in October and early November, and the steam from the backs of the thousands of faithful toiling animals ascended like clouds in the cold wintry air.

These wagon trains on the narrow roads are like endless chains. They can't be delayed. And woe to the horse that falls! He is coaxed to his feet again and again. Every last ounce of strength in his tired body is urged out of him and he gives his last pull with bulging eyes and then topples over.

But that isn't the last that the Austrians expect of him. At the beginning of the war the orders were that any horse which fell must be shot immediately. However, horse flesh began to grow scarce, after the first six weeks of fighting, and the armies on the Russian frontier were helpless without the hundreds of thousands of tons of supplies which must be carried to them over the mountain roads in the odd willow basket wagons of the Galician farmers. So a new order was issued that no horse was to be shot unless one of his limbs were broken.

The result of this order was that when an animal fell from exhaustion and had given to his masters even the strength that was necessary to keep him on his feet, he was dragged aside, preferably into a field where there was grass, and left to work out his own fate. Usually he died, uncared for, but now and then a horse survived and became strong again, whereupon he would be seized by some passing soldier and put back into the daily grind.

I watched a horse "come back" that way, in a field near Przemysl. He had fallen in the middle of a steep hill, a hill which has caused the death of many an exhausted horse. He was lying with scores of other horses in a field alongside the hill road. Evidently he had an ounce or two more of vitality than they, for he was stretched out, with his legs curled under him, while they were lying on their sides with their heads on the ground. His head was raised and I fancied that he was watching, with a horse's interest, the never-ending train of wagons that was passing him. I was sorry for him, too. To get well only meant more horrors for him. When I returned that way in the evening he was still lying down but there was a circle of nibbled grass about his head. The next morning he was weakly standing up, with his legs stretched wide apart, and he had gone away from the other dead and dying horses to a lonely corner of the field. Incidentally, I noticed time and again that there is nothing that frightens a horse so much as the body of a dead horse, and I suppose that it was sheer terror that got this fellow to his feet and helped him to struggle away to more cheerful surroundings. He was nibbling gingerly at the dry grass and now and then he raised his head and seemed to look at the mighty tide of horses and wagons and men that filled the road.

"There's a horse that will be all right within a couple of weeks," said the Austrian officer who was with me. "He's a Siberian horse. They're wonderful animals. They're the only horses in the world that will make two pulls at an immovable object. You can hitch one of them to an object, a tree or a house, that cannot possibly be moved and he will put his last ounce of strength into it. An ordinary horse would stop at that and would refuse to the next pull, but not a Siberian pony. He's all sand and he'll make his second try just as bravely as he did his first. Yes, indeed, that little fellow will be back in the wagon trains again within a couple of weeks."

And I suppose he was, for by evening he had nibbled a huge circle of grass in his private corner of the field and when I went by that way two days later he was gone.

Three weeks of steady work in Galicia and in the Carpathians killed the average horse. The fields were dotted with their bodies. The Austrians told me that hundreds of horses died daily in the Carpathian passes from broken lungs, broken courage or broken hearts.—W. G. Shepherd, United Press.

OFFICIAL REPORT, GRAND CIRCUIT STEWARDS' MEETING.

At the annual meeting of the stewards of the Grand Circuit, held in Detroit Jan. 12, 1915, the following regulations to govern all members were adopted:

1—Every member of the Grand Circuit every year shall close its early-closing events 126 days before the opening of its meeting.

2—The entry fee in early-closing events and the number of payments may be fixed by each member.

3—The entry fee in late-closing events shall be 5 per cent of the purse. Two horses from the same stable, or the same interest, may be entered in one class for one entry fee of 5 per cent, and for each additional entry made in the same class for the same stable or interest, an additional entry of 2½ per cent must be paid. One horse may be named in two races, for the same week, for a total entrance fee of 7½ per cent of the amount offered in such two races. The full entry fee of 5 per cent additional must be charged to all money winners.

4—Two or more horses controlled in whole or part by one or more persons, or trained in the same stable, cannot be started in the same race, unless it be a dash race, except in events where there are four or less starters, in which case announcement must be made from the judges' stand prior to the race, of such ownership or control, and these starters shall be coupled in the betting and the penalties.

5—A horse that has started in two races and is outside of the money, shall be allowed to start in his next race in a class two seconds slower than his best record; if he has started in three races and won no money, he shall be allowed to start in a class three seconds slower than his best record; if he has started in four races and won no money, he shall be allowed to start in a class four seconds slower than his best record, which shall be the limit of his time allowance. These allowances shall hold good until the horse wins a race and a horse granted any of these allowances shall, on winning a race, be eligible to the class only in which his record made in that race entitles him to start, provided such record does not admit him to a slower class to which his winning performance renders him ineligible. Allowances earned in 1914 shall be good for 1915. These provisions are not to apply to early-closing events.

6—No member shall be allowed to release any nominator from payment of entry in class races because those entries are named or started in early-closing events.

7—Advertising for 1915 in the turf papers shall be done as a circuit and not individually.

8—The conditions governing each race must be printed in the daily race program of every member and appear on the page with the race entries and immediately following the title of the event.

The by-laws were amended as follows:

To require the stewards to appoint a board of racing stewards every year, in accordance with the rules of the parent associations.

Providing that in case any member fails to give a meeting, the stewards may forfeit the franchise of that member, paying back to it, if in good standing, the $500 paid for its franchise.

Providing that if any member, after a schedule of dates has been adopted, fail to give its meeting, the president may fill any vacancy or vacancies thus created with subscribing members. A subscribing member is hereby defined as one that complies with the provisions of the by-laws. Its membership shall continue for one year, and it shall pay the Grand Circuit the sum of $250 for the membership so awarded it.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That after the year 1915 the Grand Circuit will class horses in early-closing events on their best records, whether made in winning or losing faces, but that in no case shall a time record be considered as defining eligibility.

The following members resigned: Pittsburgh Driving Club, Niagara Racing Association, and Rockingham Park. The Michigan State Fair resigned in August, 1914.

Officers were elected as follows: President, H. K. Devereux; vice-president, Fred Postal; secretary-treasurer, H. J. Kline.

The schedule of dates for 1915 is as follows: Cleveland, July 19-24; Detroit, July 26-31; Kalamazoo, Aug. 2-7; Grand Rapids, Aug. 9-14; Montreal the weeks of Aug 16-28, three days' racing each week; Yonkers (Empire track), Aug. 30-Sept. 4; Hartford, Sept. 6-11; Syracuse, Sept. 13-18; Columbus, Sept. 20-Oct.2; Lexington, Oct. 4-16.

H. J. KLINE, Secretary.

Trainer Geo. Haag of Calgary, Alta., the man who brought out and raced such notables as General H. 2:04¾ and Alberta 2:03¾, writes that he is wintering twenty head at Calgary, Alberta. The lot includes a promising three-year-old trotter by General H. 2:04¾, dam Clearwater 2:21¼ by Capt. Waters; a good filly by Kentucky Todd (3) 2:08¾; a green trotter by Oro Wilkes 2:11¼; a three-year-old trotter by Bonnie McK., a son of McKinney 2:11¼, and colts by Earl Jr. 2:01¼, Mainsheet 2:05, Vice Commodore 2:11, Ray o' Light (3) 2:08, General H. 2:04¾, Colonel C. 2:15½, M. S. McCarthy 2:24¼, son of The Director General and Jas Faris, son of Monbells. Mr. Haag states that this has been the best winter for eight years. The sleighing has been splendid wih good steady crisp weather and all the horses are doing fine.—Canadian Sportsman.

P.-P. I. E. LIVE STOCK NOTES.

The final classification and prize list of the Department of Live Stock of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, which will soon be ready for distribution, will contain provision for the exhibition of a number of breeds that have not shown strongly in previous expositions, but which have been growing in popularity as their qualities become better known. There will be no place for freaks in this prize list and only animals and birds of known utility or educational value will be reviewed for award.

The Dairy Shorthorn will be given a full classification in addition to the regular classification provided for Shorthorn cattle. This is expected to bring out a very strong showing of this strain which has demonstrated its usefulness and hence grown in popularity. Devon cattle, which were once quite common in the United States, have again grown rapidly in popularity in recent years and will have a full classification in the prize list.

Sheep.

There will be several breeds of sheep on exhibition that are well known in other countries and that are attracting attention of sheep breeders and flock masters in the United States. Among these will be the Corriedale, with which the Australians have won such decided success. The Romney Marsh will have a classification in recognition of its merits. The Tunis will be recognized, as will also the Karakule, the Persian Fat Tails, the Exmoor of Great Britain and other breeds.

As a fur producer the Karakule is attracting a great deal of attention, especially when used to cross with the Lincoln or other long-wooled sheep. The pure bred animals produce the fur known as Astrachan, so highly valued by the aristocracy of Persia and by the ladies of all countries. The Persian Fat Tailed sheep is less well known here but is of high utility value on account of the oil extracted from its enormously fat tail. This is appreciated as a great delicacy among the Persians, and is used in various arts where a very fine quality of animal oil is required.

Some Special Prizes.

The Hunters' Improvement and National Light Horse Breeding Society of London, England, has offered two gold medals to be given respectively to the best stallion and brood mare which may be shown in the saddle classes. These medals will be awarded as supplemental premiums in addition to the regular cash premiums provided in the classification.

The Shire Horse Society of Great Britain and Ireland has made an offer of two gold cups to the value of £50 each, to be awarded to the Shire horses shown in the Exposition. These awards are supplemental to the Exposition prize money, amounting to $5,000, and the American Shire Horse Association prize money amounting to $1,500, making a total prize value of $7,000.

The National Pony Society, which has existed in Great Britain for many years for the encouragement of the breeding of polo and riding ponies, will give two silver medals, to be awarded respectively to the best stallion and mare riding ponies; and two bronze medals to be awarded to the reserve animals in this championship class.

Business Opportunity.

Through this department the Panama-Pacific International Exposition will afford a great opportunity to breeders of the corn belt and other sections of the country for developing a new territory in which to make sales. The West Coast country of the United States has not been fully developed as yet in a pure-bred sense, and the activities of the Department of Live Stock have served to arouse an interest in the value of this essential factor of modern agriculture to such an extent that the demand is already great for pure-bred animals of most breeds. The farmers, breeders and business men of the Coast country are awaiting the arrival of the exposition animals in order that they may make purchases of high quality and new blood, and it is fully believed that no animal of merit need be returned for lack of an opportunity to sell at a remunerative figure.

This fact cannot well be emphasized too strongly, as the demands for good live stock on the Pacific coast are not only strong, but are enhanced by the demands which come from Oriental countries and from Latin America.

The buildings of the Department of Live Stock were erected at a cost of $150,000, and have been specially constructed under the plans formulated by Chief D. O. Lively for exhibition purposes. In this respect they differ from those of previous expositions and will afford the visitor an opportunity to see and study the characteristics and qualities of the different animals on exhibition. These buildings will also become models for future live stock expositions. They will be provided with every convenience not only for the comfort of the animals but for the exhibitor and visitor as well.

A Hall of Congresses is included in the group of live stock buildings as a meeting place for the various live stock and allied associations which will hold their sessions in San Francisco in 1915. This hall will be equipped with apparatus for demonstrations and for the illustration of lectures and addresses and will be given rent free to these associations. Nearly fifty associations of this character have already signified their intention of meeting in San Francisco in 1915.

There will provided telegraph, telephone, express, freight and post offices in the grounds of the exposition for the special convenience of exhibitors as well as for visitors. There will also be a bank maintained inside the grounds which will conduct a general banking business, including savings and commercial deposits, and by which no charge will be made for handling accounts of exhibitors.

Entries Are Free.

There will be no charge made for entry fees, stall rent or water in the Department of Live Stock, though a nominal fee will be charged for the cooping, feeding, watering, exhibiting and returning of poultry, pigeons and pet stock, and for receiving, benching, exhibiting and feeding dogs and cats.

Co-operating in the Exposition.

More money has been appropriated by the various breed associations, to be given as supplemental premiums in the Department of Live Stock of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, than was ever given by such associations at any previous exposition. This money amounts to $125,000, given by forty-two different breed record associations in cash, besides numerous cups, trophies and other objects of value which will serve to increase this total materially. This fact is of vast importance as showing the widespread interest in the activities of the Department of Live Stock and the co-operation which has been accorded to it.

Of great importance in this connection is the fact that more different States of the Union have voted money for live stock participation in this exposition than in any previous one. More than twenty different States have voted amounts aggregating $130,000, and this money will be used chiefly in the payment of transportation charges on live stock exhibits sent to the exposition, though some of it may be used in giving supplemental premiums for the benefit of the animals shown from the States so participating.

Exhibition Dates.

The dates on which animals of various classes will be shown in competition for premiums are given herewith. The entries for the several classes will close one month previous to the show dates for each class. This arrangement does not have any application to or connection with the view herds, which are maintained as non-competitive, educational exhibits throughout the entire period of the exposition. The dates when animals of different groups will be placed on exhibition are as follows:

Horses, mules and asses—September 30 to October 13, 1915.

Cattle, beef and dairy—October 18 to November 1, 1915.

Sheep, swine and goats—November 3 to November 16, 1915.

Carlots of cattle, sheep and swine—November 11 to November 14, 1915.

Poultry and pigeons—November 18 to November 28, 1915.

Dogs, cats, pet stock and children's pets—November 28 to December 3, 1915.

Climatic Conditions

The Panama-Pacific International Exposition is located on the north end of a long and narrow peninsula lying between the Bay of San Francisco and the Pacific ocean. The Department of Live Stock occupies the west end of the 635 acres covered by the exposition, which lies at the north side of San Francisco and immediately fronting on the Golden Gate and the Bay of San Francisco. Owing to its peculiar location, the climate is different from the other portions of the State of California, and the temperature is very constant. The records of the Weather Bureau show that the mean average temperature for more than forty years is 59.1 degrees, and animals and birds located on these grounds will have the advantage of a temperature which will conduce to their best health and performance.

The grounds of the Department of Live Stock are easily accessible both by water and land, and animals will be delivered directly in the grounds without trans-shipment. It is believed that no better site could have been selected for a continuous exhibit of live stock, as the difference in temperature between winter and summer is only about 10 degrees, while that between daylight and dark averages about 4 degrees. Breeders and exhibitors need have no apprehension in regard to oppressive temperatures in summer or severe cold in winter.

AS TO BABY BEEF.

A convincing demonstration that fitting yearling cattle may be made profitable is found in the experience of feeders who have been at it many years, and continue to use it as their mainstay. Failure in this sphere of production is, however, more frequent than success, due to the fact that a majority of those who put in calves have neither the experience nor the conception of the care essential to getting them ready for the butcher. While yearlings are popular at the market, finish is essential. The half-fat yearling is subjected to severe discounts, and most of the time is not wanted. Every summer the Chicago market is literally flooded with little cattle that are merely in stocker condition. It is an axiom in stockyard circles that few feeders are able to make a fat yearling. Calves are babies, and must be treated as such. To keep them growing from babyhood is essential to marketing fat yearlings at 15 to 18 months of age. This is the rock on which most of these yearling operations are wrecked.—Breeder's Gazette.

HOW THEY DO IT AT NEW ORLEANS.

Down in the native haunts of the pelican they are racing thoroughbreds again for a forty-day stretch, after a hiatus of some seven years owing to adverse legislation concerning bookmaking. The business men's committee in charge are more than pleased with the way the public is turning out in support of the meeting, and the following account of the betting system given by a recent visitor gives insight into the manner in which betting is carried on without books or mutuals:

"After paying my admission fee to the track," he said, "I went to the upper end of the track in an enclosed space they call the Palm Garden, to which an extra dollar of admission is charged. They gave me a numbered badge, which I wore conspicuously. Scattered about the Garden were a number of men whose chance acquaintance I had made during race meetings at Belmont Park, Saratoga and the Empire City track. Over on one side were a number of other men I did not know, who wore caps with numbers on them and who were known as the bonded stakeholders. They are regular employes of the Business Men's Association and it is understood they are bonded by the association, which guarantees that any money entrusted to them will be passed over to whomsoever may win a wager made on the horses.

"As usual I had an idea that I knew which horse would win the race about to be run. I found one of the old Forty-third Street boys who was willing to bet me at odds of 4 to 1, that I was a pretty bad guesser about the speed of the nags engaged. I told him I would back my belief $10 worth on the nag I selected and he expressed a greedy willingness to take the wager.

"We walked over to one of these bonded stakeholders, who gave me an envelope into which I put the $10 I wagered, and my friend put his $40. The envelope was sealed in our presence and was then marked with these cabalistic figures in an up and down row like a Chinese laundry check: '3, 5, 1, 832.' Translated into English that read that in the third race I had bet on horse No. 5 on the program to run first, and that the bet would be paid to the holder of badge 832 in case the horse won the race, while another set of cabalistics insured the collection of the wager by the other party in case of his winning. It was as easy as rolling off a log. So was the collection; for it so happened that in this race I did guess the winner.

"When the race was over and the weights announced as correct, I walked over to the chap who had taken my money, showed my badge, and asked for my bundle. He ran over the envelopes he had, handed mine to me, and that was an end to it. While I was there they did not allow anyone to pay the bonded stakeholder anything for his services or even slip him a tip. It was against the rules of the track to do so. It is a system that has the one used in New York beaten to a frazzle, and is mighty popular with the racegoers.

"Whether it will remain so with the men who lay the odds is a question. It takes a lot of capital for them to carry on such a business if there is any heavy betting, as they have to put up the cash with every transaction. On the other hand, it is a good thing for the man with the bank roll, if his roll is big enough. There is no credit betting, no 'I'll settle with you at the hotel after the race' business. It's a cash proposition all the way. The fellow with a shoestring who bets on credit, collects if he wins, and forgets to make good if he loses, is shut off, out of speculating unless the layer is willing to bet on credit, and does that sort of business on the sly. Of course, if he takes that risk and loses, he cannot kick if the man he trusts neglects to make good. Any way he has fewer worthless 'I. O. U.'s' than he would have in a few days of the promiscuous credit betting, as it was carried on at the opening of the season in New York when the layers accumulated a lot of 'dead wood' that has not been paid yet, according to gossip I heard at New Orleans."

The success of the meeting at New Orleans has stirred up the people of Hot Springs, Ark., where at one time two race tracks had winter racing. Owing to the greed of the bookmakers who ran things the people put a stop to the game by restrictive legislation prohibiting bookmaking. The Arkansas people are not quite satisfied with the strictly business methods of the New Orleans people who are back of the racing there. So they have gone a step further, and at the session of the legislature about to meet will ask for the passage of a law permitting racing with the Pari-mutuel system of betting, with a 5 per cent rake-off from the machines for the benefit of the State Fair Association, which owns the race track at Hot Springs and holds a State fair there annually.

The success of the adoption of the system at tracks in Maryland and Canada is cited as an example of how racing may be carried on with benefit to the breeding interests of the State in the way of income from the machines and with perfect fairness to the speculator and horseman alike. The people of the city, at a mass meeting recently held, petitioned the legislature to pass the necessary law, and so far there has been no opposition from any quarter of the State. The farmers' organization favor it as they will benefit in that the prizes at the fair will come from the percentage from the mutual machines instead of from direct legislative appropriation as at present.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

GOSSIP FOR SPORTSMEN.

The open season for hunting wild fowl will close in this State Monday, February 1. In the list of birds is included all varieties of wild ducks and wild geese, mudhens and swans are also in the prohibited schedule under the Federal game laws protecting migratory wild fowl and which take precedence over the State game laws—for this season, at all events. English snipe, black-breasted and golden plover and kellow snipe will be in close season also.

February 1 calls the time limit on cottontail rabbits. The long-eared jack rabbit, however, can be hunted all the year round. The season on valley and desert quail in game districts 1, 2, 3 and 4 will be open until February 15. The season for shooting mountain quail, grouse and sage-hen closed December 31, as did the open season on tree squirrels.

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The proposed bill to create a State Commissioner of Conservation, "with a large salary," and place the State Fish and Game Commission, State Forestry Board and State Forester under his control will be watched closely by sportsmen devotees of the shotgun, rifle and rod. The hunting license fund alone for 1913-14 amounts to $164,111. This is supplemented by about $80,000 received for fishing licenses.

The sportsmen argue that the wild game and fish interests of the State are kept up and paid for out of their pockets and the State treasury is not drawn upon for a cent outside that revenue. Local sportsmen and the fraternity at large throughout the State are quoted as being decidedly averse to diverting those moneys to any other use, however beneficial or important the objects may be.

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Either mountain lions are increasing in Northern California or else the $20 bounty offered for each scalp by the State is prompting hunters of the mountain districts to search out the deer and stock-destroying animals. According to the reports of the State Controller there has been an increase of late in lion bounties. Last November the State paid out $700 for 35 lion scalps and in December, 1914, $440 for 22 pelts.

Siskiyou was the banner county during December, hunters returning ten scalps and collecting $200. Humboldt was next with five and the following counties collected for one lion each: Los Angeles, San Luis Obispo, Mendocino, Kern, Shasta, Lake and Trinity.

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Rumor has it that the Los Banos country will be closed to both the sportsman and market hunter next season. It is reported that Miller & Lux, whose holdings in that section are over 500,000 acres, will not renew a shooting lease to any one after the close of the present season. Furthermore, no water will be turned on the lands from the Mendota dam irrigation ditches this summer. This means that at least nine gun clubs, the hotel preserves and hundreds of individual shooters may be barred. The recent killing of a deputy fish and game commissioner by one of two market hunters is given as the principal reason for shutting out duck hunters after this season.

According to Fish and Game Deputy Ferguson, hunters have supplied San Francisco markets with 28,000 ducks during the past month and violations of the game laws have been open and flagrant, especially in the vicinity of Los Banos. It was there that Deputy George Rodolph was slain for accosting a couple of market hunters who had exceeded the bag limit. Two men were recently arrested there for exceeding the limit and for shooting with a horse for a shield. One was released on bail and when the warden went to the Los Banos jail to take the other one to the county bastile at Merced a mob gathered, the lights were put out and the prisoner taken away from the warden by force. Deputy Ferguson announces that this lawlessness must cease at any cost and every right-thinking person will agree with him.

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The recently organized Santa Cruz Sportsmen's Association elected the following officers for the coming year: H. F. Faneuf, president; Eulice Hihn and Ben Crews, of Santa Cruz, James Maddock, of Boulder Creek, vice-presidents; Orrin Blodgett, secretary-treasurer; Ralph Mattison, James Harvey, J. O'Conner and Allen C. Rennie, trustees. The association favors the following seasons for hunting and fishing, which may apply later on in the county: Deer, August 1 to September 15; quail, 15 in one day, 40 birds in one week; steelhead trout, close season in tidewater and above tidewater, from December 1 to April 1. The association also passed a resolution favoring legislation prohibiting all aliens, non-citizens of the United States, from owning, carrying or having in possession firearms of any description.

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Perhaps the last of the old-timers, and thought to be a long hunted man-killer, a giant grizzly bear, silver tipped and weighing about 900 pounds, has been seen roaming the mountain trails in the vicinity of Big Bar, Plumas county, by Tom Morehead, an aged prospector of the Feather river country, who was unarmed at the time. Morehead thought it useless to attempt to follow the creature to his den, which is thought to be somewhere on the sides of Big Bear mountain, not far from Camp Mayaro, on the Feather river.

The grizzly is the first seen in this region in twenty years. Ed Phelps, a Big Bar trapper, and Charlie Gramps, a guide, came upon the trail of the bear last week in the vicinity where it was seen by Morehead. Its tracks in patches of snow were the size of a large dinner plate. After following the tracks for nearly four miles, they were forced to return to camp on account of darkness.

That the grizzly is the one which nearly twenty years ago attacked and killed Indian Joe, is the belief of the natives of that vicinity. He is a particularly fine specimen, and as such would be enormously valuable if captured.

Hunters are keeping a sharp lookout for the grizzly's reappearance, as they believe that he will return to his old trail in the canyon in search of wild hogs, which are numerous in the timber along the river.

Many bear have been caught this winter in the Big Bend of Pit river near Henderson. Lee Cintrell killed four. Ed Pearl has trapped and killed eleven. John Watts killed two bear early in the fall and just lately captured seven coons in a hollow log. Bert Stuart caught a good specimen of otter in a trap last Sunday.

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There has been considerable speculation regarding the origin of the opossums which are beginning to be quite numerous along Branciforte Creek in Santa Cruz county, and which are not native to California.

O. S. Blodgett informed a News man that about ten or twelve years ago a man from the south, living in Blackburn Gulch, sent back for a pair of 'possums and they multiplied so fast for him that he finally got disgusted and turned them loose.

They readily took to their new environment and have increased to such an extent that they are now quite numerous and are found even over in Santa Clara county, the San Jose Mercury a few weeks ago telling of one caught near Los Gatos. Santa Cruz county may yet become as famous as Virginia for its 'possum and sweet potatoes.

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A movement has been started by the sportsmen of Plumas county for the enactment of a county ordinance prohibiting the shooting of grouse in the county for a period of three years, or until September 1, 1918.

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Upland sportsmen are now having fair quail shooting. Baldo Ivancovich bagged a limit near Ignacio last Monday. J. C. Walker found the shooting good for three days near Nicasio. Fred Schmidt and Fred Surryhue shot fair bags near Middleton, in Marin county. Chas. Pease and Eugene Hunt had good sport in the Point Reyes Sportsmen's Club coverts Monday and Tuesday. Near Bolinas, Bastine De Mourge and brother located enough birds for a fair day's sport.

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For the past week the duck hunters have had good or bad shooting, according to locality selected. At some of the Suisun marsh ponds the gunners have had no trouble in shooting full bags.

Henry Klevesahl, Captain J. F. Seymour, Thomas Haskins, Gus Harper and Dr. Charles Randall shot canvasback limits during two regular weekly shooting days at the Seymour Gun Club. Mallards and sprig were not much in evidence.

Messrs. Tubbs, Otis and E. L. Hoag, shooting on the nearby Cordelia Club ponds, also shot limit bags, mostly canvasbacks.

Captain A. W. Du Bray and Frank Maskey were at the Sunrise Club ponds for a Wednesday shoot, when large ducks were numerous enough to offer agreeable sport. W. C. Murdoch and W. D. Burlingame shot on the Jacksnipe duck ponds a week ago, when birds were not overly numerous.

The visiting members of the Joyce Island Gun clubs last Sunday were fewer than usual and returned with attenuated Osborne game bags.

For regular and consistent webfooted dividends the Los Banos and Westside shooting districts have held good ever since October 15. At the Los Banos Gun Club, G. H. T. Jackson, Ramon Jackson and H. Hutton accounted for limits during a recent two days' shoot. Nat Boas, Jack Wirtner, J. B. Coleman, Joe Harlan and other members of the Field and Tule Gun Club gathered the usual two-day limit again a week ago. T. J. Woods and Arthur Newhall also had the same excellent sport at a near-by duck shooting resort. Dr. Henry Abrahms shot limit strings at Gustine, Frank M. Carter dropped forty-one birds during his two-day shoot. O. O. Orr left Thursday for a three-day shoot at Los Banos.

W. W. Terrill's trip to Goodyears, above Benicia, a week ago, found the famous old snipe grounds full of long-bills. A cold frosty morning and birds working a bit wild did not, however, prevent him from bagging a limit string.

The big flocks of canvasbacks that worked into Petaluma and Napa creeks week before last stayed long enough to allow Hog Island Gun Club members a fine shoot at Blind bay last Sunday. Germain Carp, H. Ootmon and Captain W. A. Simonton of Wilmington, Del., and others bagged good strings. George Hosman shot near Black Point; teal and canvasback was his toll.

At Island No. 3 on a branch of Napa creek, J. Hervey Jones, T. W. Brockbank and W. Hemminga were kept busy. Good sport was had by members of the Alameda Gun Club on Holmes island, near by.

Near Gridley the sportsmen continue to gather big bags of sprig, mallards and geese. Howard Nauman is trying a two-day shoot at that point. Captain A. W. Du Bray and E. R. Cuthbert were at Willows, where geese of all varieties are very numerous. Bodega bay hunters have had no trouble recently in getting bluebill and canvasback ducks. Captain N. Nelson and A. H. Lawrence returned from that section last week with well-filled duck bags.

Hundreds of duck shooters were out in the lower Alameda marshes Sunday. The general run of luck, however, was not up to results of the previous week. In the vicinity of Alviso, from a couple to a dozen ducks, principally canvasbacks, were about the average. Near Arden, members of the Arden Gun Club, Tony Korbell, Jack Connelly, Rube C. Haas, Dr. A. J. Sylvester, W. H. Price and others shot over a vast salt pond where the water was so placid and calm that the surrounding landscape was mirrored in the minutest detail. Ducks were plentiful (spoonbills they were), but the wary birds kept out of gunshot, either lazily resting out of range or, when in flight, staying far out of reach up in the air. Dr. W. O. Ogle, who shot on the California ponds, came in to Arden station with the best bag shot during the day in that district. George Franzen and Pete Swenson, shooting at the same resort, also had fair bags. Wm. Ealand's trip to Alvarado netted him 13 spooneys only, shot on the Chisler pond.

At some of the inside Alameda ponds a few sprig were shot. Most of the gunners out returned with slim duck straps.

Off the Redwood shores the same conditions applied. The lower bay was well populated with big flocks of canvasbacks and other ducks, but the scull boat operators got only a few of them.

Off Bay Farm island shores a number of hunters managed to bag a few canvasbacks and bluebills. It was an off day all through the marsh, and, what is worse, a repetition may take place tomorrow. The Marin marshes were also deserted by the ducks. Bayshore market hunters have been able to get but few canvasbacks.

Goose hunters have turned their attention to the Rio Vista country, where "the morning sky has been black" with geese for the past two weeks. A Saturday and Sunday shoot by Leroy Rione, J. Bowman and Capt. C. Ward tallied a combined bag of 48 geese. Gus Grief and party returned from Rio Vista with 40 fat geese. Many wild geese and canvasback ducks have been shipped here from Vallejo recently.

Black grant shot in Tomales bay and Limantour bay the past fortnight have had a strong herring roe flavor. The birds have been feeding on eelgrass coated with the fish spawn.

The San Pablo shores have been deserted recently by the bay ducks; they keep away from that side during the northerly winds. Indications point to fair shooting on the east side blinds tomorrow, however.

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The rod and line fraternity are much interested in the success of the Assembly bill fathered by Assemblyman Reams of Sisson, which, if passed, will open the trout streams of this State which have been stocked by the Fish and Game Commission to all of the people who wish to fish in those waters. The interest in this is accentuated by the fact that the fishing licenses bought by the fishermen provided the funds to stock the State waters. The bill provides that Boards of County Supervisors may declare public highways all rivers and sloughs which pass through uncultivated lands and which waters have had fish of any variety placed in them by the Commission officials. Section 25 of Article 1, State Constitution, provides "that no land owned by the State shall ever be sold or transferred without reserving to the people the absolute right to fish thereupon"; and no law shall ever be passed making it a crime to enter upon the public lands for the purpose of fishing in water containing fish that have been planted therein, during open season for the same.

This section means that in the Mt. Whitney Sierra regions, where there are many large streams and hundreds of tributaries and also about 1000 lakes and lakelets, and which waters have nearly all been stocked by the commission, these waters will not be gobbled up in the future and the public excluded from fishing, as is the case on some rivers and lakes of this State.

The new bill is aimed at owners of property along mountain streams, and they are at present quite numerous, who had no use for the water, were not cultivating the land, but were using their ownership to bar the public from fishing waters developed by the State.

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Striped bass fishermen have experienced a slight change for the better in rod and line sport recently.

Louis Radigan, Harvey Harmon, Louis Gotthelf and Adam Hackmeier composed a party who tried their luck in Napa creek last Sunday. Results were pleasing to Gotthelf, who captured a 23½-pound prize. Harmon hooked a bass, and after playing the capture a half hour it broke away. That trip was encouraging for other fishermen, who will try the "drawbridge" tomorrow. Some big bass, one over 50 pounds in weight, have been caught at that resort in past times.

Notwithstanding dredger operations have recently deterred a number of the Wingo regulars from prospecting the bass holes of that district, Charley Urfer made a fine catch last Sunday. Five bass, running from 4 to 13½ pounds, were his capture. He fished in Appleby bay, about twelve miles below the Wingo bridge and two miles from Napa "drawbridge." Possibly his good luck can be laid to a new bait he used—red cedar shavings steeped in mudhen fat. Rather odd, to say the least. The shavings are tied in small bunches similar in style to the bucktail on a black bass hook. Striped bass are notorious for the variety of forage they will take. Bullheads, crab, duck entrails, etc., were in vogue one after the other, and now cedar shavings and mudhen lard!

The San Antone fishermen also had a look-in Sunday. Charles Bond and party landed several fair-sized bass. Billy Goodwin's fish weighed over 15 pounds. Bob Sangster and Jake Christianson were at their old standby, the mouth of Schultz slough.

Corte Madera slough near Greenbrae is worth a trial, for quite a number of striped bass have been taken there recently. Duck shooters in the shore and creek marsh blinds over there are in the habit of putting out a rod for the fish while waiting for careless ducks to fly near. Other good catches have been made off the levee in East San Rafael.

That striped bass are plentiful somewhere, if not around the bay creek fishing places, is proven by the record catch Friday morning of last week of a Middle river fisherman. His net haul weighed 6,000 pounds, the largest catch ever made in that district. He sold the catch in Stockton for $480—8 cents a pound. The buyer shipped to Fresno, Los Angeles, this city and San Diego. The season in Middle river had been very poor, which makes this catch rather remarkable.

GOOSE STEW FOR 1915.

Sacramento sportsmen and gun clubs are behind a movement planned to terminate the wholesale slaughter of geese which are daily shipped to the markets and commission dealers. Briefly, the plan provides for the preparation of 24,000 cans of goose stew to be utilized by local development and publicity associations as an advertising feature tributary of the natural resources of the Sacramento valley, states the Sacramento Union.

Besides the general advertising purposes of the canned goose stew the plan has two more specific objects. In the first place, the cans will be shipped away as reminders of Sacramento's 1915 goose stew which is to be better and bigger than that of last year. In the second place the promoters of the plan figure that the shipment of such large quantities of goose to all parts of the country will attract sufficient attention to inspire legislation giving this species of wild game more protection.

Arrangements have already been concluded with market hunters, who have signified their willingness to co-operate with the local plan and ship their birds to Sacramento, where they will be confined to cold storage until a sufficient number to warrant their canning is obtained. Libby, McNeill & Libby will prepare the geese, the copyright for the richly-embossed label having already been secured. The main annual migration of geese for the north will take place in April, and it is expected that a full supply will easily be ready by January 15.

The plan was originated by J. R. Craig, representing local sportsmen and gun clubs, who asserts that Sacramentans have contributed liberally to the support of the plan. He declares that the present exploitation movement will surpass the notable goose stew held there in November, 1913, which was attended by 9,000 people and attracted the attention of the entire country. Owing to the scarcity of green feed it is claimed that the geese to be canned will be of unsurpassed flavor—a canned souvenir of the wild life abounding in the Sacramento valley.

Sacramento outing clubs are the principal factors backing the plan, while the West Butte Gun Club, Chico Gun Club and the Colusa Gun Club are active.

A VETERAN SPORTSMAN GONE.

Jabez S. Swan passed away, after a lingering illness, last Sunday evening. He was a prominent member of the California Anglers' Association and was popular with all whom he came in contact.

He came to California in 1849 and was identified with the pioneer history of San Francisco in many of its phases. Formerly a newspaper man, he finally became interested in a prosperous and leading sign painting business. As an entertainer and raconteur, old time club men of this city will recall Swan with pleasant memories. In former years he was a member of both the Press and Bohemian clubs. He was a member of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, the California Development Board and of the Odd Fellows.

He was a native of Stonington, Conn., and was 72 years of age. He leaves a widow, three daughters, Emma Swan, Mrs. G. Adkins and Mrs. Athow, and three sons, Fred, Jabez Jr. and Arthur Swan.

THE IN-BREEDING OF DOGS.

A most thorough and capable writer on canine affairs is William Haynes. Mr. Haynes recently has been giving considerable study to the question of inbreeding, and from a mass of statistics embracing the pedigrees of Airedale and Scottish terriers he has reached the conclusion that inbreeding is not so commonly practiced by dog fanciers as popularly supposed, and is not so productive of results as line-breeding. Mr. Haynes' views were set forth as follows in a recent issue of the Journal of Heredity, a publication devoted to plant-breeding, animal-breeding, and eugenics.

That the thoroughbred dog is very closely inbred is the belief shared alike by the general public and breeders of other kinds of stock. Upon this belief are based most of the objections raised against the thoroughbred either as a companion or a hunting dog. Among dog fanciers one hears both extravagant praise and bitter denunciation of inbreeding.

In certain studies I have recently carried on in terrier-breeding I was collecting some data from the studbook records and I determined at the same time to discover, if possible, what proporion of registered dogs are inbred and whether or not these inbred dogs had been markedly successful in bench show competitions. The results are surprising, and furnish some interesting conclusions on the comparative value of in and line breeding.

For this analysis I selected two breeds, the Airedale and Scottish terriers. Both belong to the same general family; both are popular; both have known histories and carefully compiled records. But each has a very distinct origin, and neither is in any way related in blood. The Scottish terrier came from the Highlands, where they have been known as a distinct breed since the sixteenth century. They are the oldest breed of terriers that have been preserved in anythink like their original form. The Airedale terrier, on the other hand, is a manufactured breed which originated in Yorkshire something over fifty years ago.

Selecting at random, but picking half from each sex and ten from each volume of the stud-book for the past ten years, in one hundred Scottish terriers we find three inbred dogs, one from a sire bred to his own daughter, one from a dam bred to her son, and one from full brother and sister. Selecting one hundred Airedale terrier pedigrees in the same manner, we find seven examples of inbreeding, six from a sire bred to his daughter, and one from a full brother and sister. In other words, in the pedigrees examined, 3 per cent of the Scottish terriers and 7 per cent of the Airedales are inbred.

The avowed object of breeders of these dogs is to produce a dog that shall win at the bench shows. The highest honor a dog can receive is the right to the title of champion, which means that it has won a certain number of first prizes under at least three different judges. The rules differ somewhat in detail in England and this country, but the underlying principle is the same. While there are undoubtedly dogs that in fanciers' phraseology are known as "lucky champions," still it is safe to say that dogs winning the title are above the average quality of their breed, closer to the ideal as expressed in the standard. Moreover, since to breed champions is the object of the fancier's breeding operations, the per centum of inbred dogs winning championships furnishes a gauge to judge the effectiveness of this breeding system in accomplishing the result desired by the breeders of these animals.

Of one hundred Scottish terrier champions, one is inbred, from a dog mated to his own daughter. Of one hundred Airedale champions, two are inbred, one from a bitch mated to her own son and one from a full brother and sister.

In the case of line-breeding, however, we get very different figures. Taking only the two primary crosses of line-breeding, i. e., the crossing of half brother and sister, sired by the same dog, and half brother and sister, dammed by the same bitch, which, of course, does not begin to include all line-bred dogs, we find that of the hundred Scottish terriers picked at random four are line-bred, all from half brother and sister with the same sire. Of the hundred average Airedales six are line-bred, five from half brother and sister with the same sire, and one from half brother and sister with the same dam. Among the hundred Scottish terrier champions, nine were bred this way, eight from half brother and sister with the same sire, and one from half brother and sister with the same dam; and ten Airedale champions were so bred, nine from half brother and sister with the same sire and one from half brother and sister with the same dam.

Scotch Terriers—In-bred, 3 average dogs, 1 champion; line-bred, 4 average dogs, 9 champions; outbred, 93 average dogs, 90 champions.

Airedale Terriers—In-bred, 7 average dogs, 2 champions; line-bred, 87 average dogs, 88 champions.

Note.—The "line-bred" in the above only includes dogs bred from the primary cross of half brother to half sister, and there are certainly dogs in the "outbred" that are truly in-bred.

It will be immediately noted in the above that in and line breeding are more common in Airedales than in Scottish terriers, the ratio being close to two to one in all cases. Possibly this may be accounted for by the fact that, being a manufactured variety, close breeding has been more or less forced because of lack of breeding stock. It will also be noted that the close breeding popularly supposed to be practiced by dog fanciers is not apparent. In the caes essof the average dogs only 7 per cent. of the Scottish terriers and 14 per cent of the Airedales are closely bred.

The salient feature of these figures for the breeder is, of course, the evidence they present that line-breding has, in the cases of these two breeds at least, proved very much more effective than inbreeding in accomplishing the object desired. The ratios of champions produced in Scottish terriers are one to nine and in Airedales one to five. These figures confirm my studies in prepotency in Airedales.

Summarizing the data, it is evident that neither inbreeding nor close line-breeding is used as much by dog breeders as is generally supposed, and that of the two systems line breeding has been the more productive of results.

PACIFIC COAST FIELD TRIALS.

The Pacific Coast Field Trials Club's thirty-second annual trials started, on the club grounds near Bakersfield, Saturday, January 23 and were finished the next day. The winning dogs were: First—J. W. Considine's English setter Melrose Jack. Second—S. Christenson's English setter Forestress. Equal third—Lloyd Tevis' pointer Dr. Spot and Frank J. Ruhstaller's English setter Chestnut Belle.

The Derby was started Sunday and finished Monday. The winning dogs were: First—J. W. Considine's English setter Melrose Rod. Second—Frank J. Ruhstaller's English setter Shasta Maid. Third—J. W. Considine's English setter Melrose Chief.

The All-Age stake was commenced Tuesday and concluded Wednesday, the placed dogs were: First—J. A. Chanslor's English setter, Old Forester. Second—Mrs. A. G. Wilkes' English setter Melrose Dude. Third—R. E. Munger's English setter Llewellen Dunstan.

A more complete report of the trials will appear next week.

DOINGS IN DOGDOM.

Many important details for the Panama-Pacific Exposition international dog show have been completed, it is reported. Entries will close October 25. The dogs will be accepted at the fair grounds on Saturday, November 29, and the show will be held November 29 to December 1 inclusive.

The judges have not yet been selected, but it is expected that they all will be Eastern men of experience and standing. The prizes will be nearly all cash awards, but those who prefer cups will be given them.

Assistant Director I. B. Graham of the Livestock Department of the Panama-Pacific Exposition has received letters from fanciers and breeders all over the world who have expressed their wish to show at this big event.

The three dollar entrance fee includes taking the dogs out of their crates and having them taken care of during the show and preparing them for shipment back to the kennels after the event.

Every dog fancier in California and the entire Pacific Coast should show at the Panama-Pacific Exposition if just for the pride in the great undertaking of San Francisco. The dog show grounds will be in one of the largest halls in the world and the rings and benching will be up to date and sanitary. Leading fanciers and prominent kennel clubs of the Coast urge every dog fancier to prepare for this epoch in dogdom and to begin right now to get their dogs ready.

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W. E. Mason has just received proofs from the printer of a book which he proposes to use in connection with the concession at the Panama-Pacific Exposition. The book will contain half-tone cuts of most of the noted dogs in the world, along with a short history of each. Mr. Mason, by the way, intends to conduct a full-grown dog show at the Exposition from the opening day to the last, and will have on exhibition representative specimens of almost every conceivable breed.

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F. C. Farwell, owner of the world-famous "Sabine" kennels of Orange, Texas, intends to send a string of his best dogs to the Exposition show. Mr. Farwell has one of the finest appointed kennels in the world, breeding fox terriers exclusively. Some of the dogs that have made history for the "Sabines" are Sabine-Rifle, Sabine Red Gem, Sabine Remember, Sabine Result, Sabine Fireball, Sabine Rifleman and others too numerous to mention.

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"The Greyhound Stud Book," England, is now kept by B. Mulcaster, secretary of the National Coursing Club. This year's volume has 600 pages, and last year over 5000 new greyhounds were registered.

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Moritz Osterberg of Modesto set a steel trap for coons one night recently and captured a large beaver. As the animal's leg was injured he decided to care for it until it had healed, but his humane intentions were evidently not appreciated as the creature made his escape after several days of captivity and was traced to the edge of the river where he had felled two small willow trees, and as they, too, had disappeared, Moritz is wondering whether they were utilized as splints on the injured leg, or in building a raft for transportation to safer shores.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

REGISTERED TOURNAMENT.

[Continued from last week.]

Status of An Amateur—Whenever a contestant's amateur standing is questioned in writing by a stockholder or by a representative of a stockholder of The Interstate Association, or whenever official exception is taken to anyone having signed The Interstate Association's amateur certificate, and is duly submitted to the Interstate Association, The secretary shall communicate with the manufacturer or manufacturers whose product is used by said contestant and obtain from said manufacturer or manufacturers the facts concerning the statements set forth in said certificate. In case full information is not given by said manufacturer or manufacturers the secretary, if he deems it proper so to do, may strike said contestant's name from the list of amateurs. This arrangement shall be effective as of January 1, 1908, and thereafter, but shall not be retroactive.

Status of a Professional.—Any professional who has in either of the last two years of his employment averaged 90 per cent. or better on registered targets shall not be permitted, from and after December 4, 1914, to compete at any registered tournament with amateurs for cash or merchandise prizes, or for any trophy or trophies "open to amateurs only," at such tournaments, within a period of three years from the date of the termination of his employment. All others who have not averaged 90 per cent in either of the last two years of their employment shall not be permitted to compete as above with amateurs for a period of one year from the date of the termination of their employment.

Miscellaneous Rules.—Not more than two tournaments of any one club shall be registered in any one year. For the year 1915 a contribution will not be made to more than one tournament of any one club.

No tournament shall be registered for a Sunday only. A tournament which includes a Sunday may be registered, but the scores made on weekdays only shall count in the yearly averages.

A club holding a registered tournament shall allow any contestant, who so desires, to shoot for "Targets only" in any or all events.

A club holding a registered tournament shall not charge more than 2 cents for each target shot at, except in the case of a club located in a section where freight rates are excessively high, thus making targets cost more than they do in the East, in which case such club may charge 2½ cents or 3 cents per target, if it is customary to make such charge at tournaments.

A club which has been duly authorized to hold a registered tournament shall require contestants to give their names and addresses on blanks furnished by The Interstate Association, and said blanks, filled out by the contestants, shall be sent to the Secretary of The Interstate Association at the time the report of the tournament is mailed.

A club holding a registered tournament where shooting names (assumed names) are allowed must forward to the secretary of The Interstate Association, with the other records, the real names of those using assumed names.

With the exception of practice day, weather permitting, a tournament shall be started in the morning before 11 o'clock, and the time of starting shall be stated in the program. The hour shall be reasonably governed by the scheduled time of arrival of trains or trolleys at the place where tournament is held.

All scores shall be shot in competition, and no scores shall be recorded which are shot prior to the advertised hour for starting the competition.

No contestant, whether amateur or professional, shall be allowed to "shoot up" any event or events other than events one, two and three scheduled for the first day, and this in no case unless the unanimous consent of the other contestants and the management are given.

No contestant, whether amateur or professional, shall be allowed to shoot any event or events in advance of the regular order of scheduled time for the competition as designated in the program.

No contestant, whether amateur or professional, shall be allowed to shoot any event or events other than those of the one day's program except in case the entry list is so large, or unavoidable conditions such, that it is necessary to carry over a tournament from day to day. The scores of any event or events thus carried over shall be recorded as being made on the day for which said event or events were originally scheduled.

Registration as herein set forth applies to United States gun clubs only. The old policy is still in force as to Canadian clubs.

Note Carefully.—There is such a thing as too much shooting, with its harmful reactions; therefore applications for one-day Registered Tournaments will be given the preference.

Preference will also be given to applications of clubs that will add money or trophies, in addition to the Interstate Association's contribution, to their respective programs for the benefit of contestants.

Furthermore, preference will be given on applications of clubs using a system of money division which provides for the clubs giving the tournaments to retain only one cent per target trapped.

Clubs holding Registered Tournaments shall use The Interstate Association's trap shooting rules, and must not change or modify the rule relating to shooting at a broken target.

Send applications for Registered Tournaments to The Interstate Association, E. Reed Shaner, Secretary, 219 Coltart Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

THREE BIG TOURNAMENTS DATED.

A communication from Tlmer E. Shaner, Tournament Manager of The Interstate Association, is the following:

"Please announce to the readers of Breeder and Sportsman that the sixteenth Grand American Handicap tournament will be held in Grant Park, Chicago, Illinois, on August 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20, 1915, under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters. There will be $3,500 added money and the winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap will be guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place will be guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place will be guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place will be guaranteed $200 and a trophy, and the winner of fifth place will be guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded.

"Also announce that the tenth Southern Handicap tournament will be held at Memphis, Tennessee, on May 11, 12 and 13, 1915, under the auspices of the Memphis Gun Club. There will be $1,000 added money and the winner of first place will be guaranteed $100 and a trophy; the winner of second place will be guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded.

"The tenth Western Handicap tournament will be held at St. Louis, Missouri, on June 15, 16 and 17, 1915, under the auspices of the Missouri Athletic Association Gun Club. There will be $1,000 added money and the winner of first place in the Western Handicap will be guaranteed $100 and a trophy; the winner of second place will be guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place will be guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded."

AT THE TRAPS.

The local trapshooting season will be started by the Golden Gate Gun Club with a big blue rock prize shoot on the Alameda grounds Sunday, February 21, instead of on Washington's birthday, as originally given out. There will be a large attendance of trapshooting enthusiasts from near-by points. The main program will consist of two twenty-bird matches. Time allowing, other events will be pulled off.

A feature of the day is promised when clay pigeons will be thrown from a handtrap. This device was perfected by Jack Fanning, formerly prominent in local shotgun circles. The handtrap is held in the hand and the targets projected at any angle or speed, and has proven a baffling target thrower for many of the best shooters in the country.

The club officers elected for the ensuing year are: W. H. Price, president; Ted Riley, secretary-treasurer; Clarence D. Lancaster, of Oakland, captain; J. Hervey Jones, Tony Prior and George Thomas, directors.

The club season of seven monthly trap shoots will be held on the Alameda grounds, beginning in March.

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The San Jose Blue Rock Club had its regular bi-weekly shoot Sunday afternoon, January 24. Earl Lamb, a new member of the club, shot his first blue rocks and scored well for a beginner, breaking 37 out of 50.

The scores made read as follows: O. N. Ford, 44-50; J. T. Dounes, 43-50; C. H. Nash, 42-50; Wm. J. McKagney, 41-50; E. Lamb, 37-50.

The next practice shoot was held January 24. A hundred-target program will be shot tomorrow. On February 22, the Golden Gate Club of San Francisco holds its opening shoot, and a squad from San Jose will attend. On March 7 next, the San Jose Blue Rock Club will hold its opening 1915 shoot.

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Arrangements have been perfected for the holding of the tenth annual competition for the clay target amateur championship of America by the committee of the New York Athletic Club, which annually has the management of the affair in charge. As usual, the shoot will take place on the Travers Island grounds of the club. Friday, April 30, and Saturday, May 1, are the dates selected for the contests, which will bring together all the noted amateur target shooters of the country, including Woolfolk Henderson of Lexington, Ky., winner of the National Amateur Championship, as well as the Grand American Handicap, the premier event in the shooting world last year.

Two hundred targets will be shot at each day, the contest on Friday being in the nature of a preliminary run for honors, with five trophies for the several events. Saturday will be the time for the decision of the amateur championship, and there will be ten trophies to be shot for on that day, including the chief honor. On the same day the interclub five-men team race will be shot. This will be under novel arrangements, for, instead of naming a team of five men who will be compelled to represent the clubs which may enter, the clubs will have the privilege of selecting from the scores the five highest made by members as the team score, and the award will be made on that selection.

Philadelphia, Boston, Baltimore, Wilmington, Pittsburgh, and Chicago are expected to have teams in competition for this prize under these unusual conditions. There will be a suitable gold medal for each member of the team. There are to be special prizes for the longest continuous run at the traps in the two days, for the highest average, and for the high score at each of the four traps.

Shooting at all the events will be at sixteen yards, any standard load allowed. As shooting is to begin each day at 8:30, the club has decided to extend to all entrants the courtesies of the clubhouse during the two days' meeting.

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Jack Fanning's suggestions, profusely illustrated, for handling a shotgun both in trap and wing shooting, and which appears in the December number of Recreation, edited by Edward Cave, we recommend to every devotee of the scatter gun. The story is full of practical information that all sportsmen can read with benefit.

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Clarence J. Ashlin, a popular member of the local trapshooting fraternity two seasons ago, is back in the United States again, in Jacksonville, Florida. He was in Europe when the fireworks were started, but got away as soon as he could.

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Just where and when the California-Nevada State Tournament will be held this year has not yet been decided.

Secretary Ted Riley sent notices to each gun club member of the two-State association, requesting a "bid" for the opportunity to hold the shoot at the club's home town.

ECHOES FROM THE NORTHWEST.

[By August Wolf.]

Officers of the provincial department of fisheries, with the assistance of the Royal North West MountedPolice, will direct their endeavors in the future to better enforcement of the laws regulating angling in Alberta than in former years.

J. D. Willson, provincial inspector of fisheries, who made the foregoing announcement in Edmonton recently, said that no license is required by settlers and other residents angling for jackfish, pickerel, perch, gold eyes and other coarse fish, adding:

"I am sure that the following extracts from the fishery regulations, which apply to angling, will meet with the approval of all true sportsmen, as well as by all settlers who have any regard and set any value on the natural resources of Alberta:

"'The use of spears, lights, firearms, dynamite or other explosive material in killing fish is prohibited.

"'The use of bare unbaited hooks or grapnels is prohibited.

"'No river or creek shall be obstructed by any kind of dam or trap for the purpose of killing fish.

"'Section 31. (a) Angling or trolling in waters frequented by trout, grayling or Rocky Mountain whitefish is prohibited, except under permit.

"'(b) Every British subject resident in the province for which it is issued shall be eligible for an angling and trolling permit. The annual fee for such permit shall be $1.

"'(c) Every non-resident shall be eligible for an angling and trolling permit, the fee on which shall be one dollar for a single day, or $5 for a season.

"'(d) In waters not frequented by trout, grayling or Rocky Mountain whitefish, angling or trolling may be carried on by resident British subjects without a permit.

"'Section 32. (a) In the Red Deer river and its tributaries, and the North Saskatchewan river and its tributaries, no one shall fish for, catch or kill any trout, grayling or Rocky Mountain whitefish from September in each year to April 30 following, both days inclusive.

"'Section 34. (a) No one shall in one day catch or retain more than twenty-five cutthroat trout, rainbow trout or Rocky Mountain whitefish, or of the different species named than will in the aggregate amount to more than twenty fish.

"'(b) No one shall catch and retain more than 10 lake trout in one day.

"'(c) No one shall, in one day, by angling or trolling catch or retain more than 25 jackfish, pickerel (dore), or of either of these species than in the aggregate will amount to 25.'"

Mr. Willson said also that the law requiring a permit and fees for angling in waters frequented by trout, grayling or Rocky Mountain whitefish is more particularly with reference to the upper waters of the Saskatchewan, Pembina, McLeod and Athabasca rivers and their tributaries. Trout are often found in the vicinity of Edmonton.

Small Bore Ammunition.

Remington-UMC .410 shot shells for small game has recently become extremely popular in the United States. For many seasons past this small gauge shell has been used extensively in England, Canada and the Colonies.

It is manufactured especially to meet the persistent demand for a small gauge shotgun shell of sufficient power to kill pests and nuisances, and small animals such as squirrels, rabbits, chipmunks, muskrats, weasels, woodchucks, small birds, etc., where the shocking power and range of the larger shells are not necessary. This shell can be used in settled communities where the range and scatter of the larger shells might be dangerous.

The 410 shell is made for use in special arms manufactured by American gun makers, and also for several guns of foreign make.

Loaded with shot from number 6 to 12 inclusive. Only one load is made up. The effective range is from 20 to 30 yards. Packed 25 in a box and 500 to the case.

HOW HEREFORDS CAME TO RANGE VALLEY.

This happened many years ago, about the year 1887. Range Valley in those days was a paradise for cattle. The ranges lay up on high mesas or tables; in summer the cattle ranged sometimes above the clouds in a green paradise that never got hot or dry. In the fall they came down into the canyons, where there were shelter, warmth and grass. As snows followed them down they emerged from the canyons and came out onto dry lower mesas, covered with yellow bunch grass as a Dakota prairie in September is covered with wheat. There were hundreds of square miles of magnificent range on both sides of Green River, and beyond lay the desert of Castle Valley.

On Range Valley range we bred "Durhams." We had a few very good purebred bulls and a good many good grade bulls. We had a lot of fine old Shorthorn cows, more or less of the milking strain. So milky were they, that we had trouble with them at calving time, and many a case of garget was caused by the failure of the calves fully to relieve the udders of their dams. We got the cows up sometimes to milk them for the house or camp and had no difficulty to select a three-gallon cow.

We believed in the "Durham" cow; we swore by her. Over in Castle Valley a man was breeding Holsteins on a desert range; through ignorance of breeds and environment other men were experimenting with Devons and Angus, which gave them poor calf crops. We with cowboy assurance pinned our faith to the reds and roans; whites were uncommon with us them. In those days we were sure of what we knew. A sheep poisoned the grass over which it walked. A sheep herder was a vile scoundrel, lazy and degenerate, and only fit for our ridicule and abuse. The only gun worth owning was a Sharp's old reliable 45-70; it would bring down the deer every time. The only horse worth riding was the one especial horse that each of us owned and loved, and so on went our list of things that we knew and knew well.

When rumors of the goodness of white-faced or "baldy" cattle, as the Herefords were commonly termed, came to us we jeered, "We've seen them; peaked-rumped, big-headed brutes; keep them away from this country." That was our comment. Then one day we succumbed and bought one Hereford bull calf and brought him down to the farm to run about the corral. He was a bright, cheery, merry little fellow, always full of feed and always fat. We could not but admire his shining white face and his bright eyes, but it was still a case of this conviction: "Herefords will do for the bad ranges; Durhams are the things for us."

Then came rumors of the approach of a great herd of purebred Herefords. They belonged to the McPhersons of Ogden; they were in care of one Alex. McPherson, a strange character of whom rumor said that he was half hunter, half cowboy and wholly wild Scot. Many and merry were the tales they told of old Alex. McPherson and his strange caravan. The day came at last when in his slow peregrinations through the desert of Castle Valley, the mountain of Emma's Park and the wild, rough trail of Price river he reached our range, and was about to pass through. Cowboy-like, we were all curiosity, and rode down beside the canyon to meet the cattle. We met them beside the little creek as they came wearily yet determinedly up the trail beneath ancient cottonwoods. These gaunt old wide-horned cows had big, raw-boned calves at their sides. The heifers looked fair and in good flesh, considering the heat and the travel; the bulls were thin but muscular and one or two at least were "on the prod." There were nearly 300 of these cattle; not all were purebreds. Beside the herd rode old Alex. and he drew up his weary horse beside us to talk as the cattle went by. He was very tall, angular and muscular. His face was tanned dark reddish brown and was thin and anxious, but held a Scottish twinkle in a firm blue eye. His dress was a thing of patches and in his old leather chaparejos he carried two large revolvers. We then and there dubbed him "Doubleshot" and "Doubleshot" he remained to the end of his life, which unhappily was not long. He was drowned in Green river a few years later.

"And these are the Hereford cattle, Mr. McPherson?"

"Yes. They are terribly thin because the grass is so bad. I have been driving them around now for five years, and I can not see that they get a blamed bit fatter."

We laughed and replied, "You won't drive them around much longer; when you get them across Green river you are at the end of the world."

"Well, then, that's where we'll stick together," was his grim response. They went on their weary way and forded Green river to Florence creek. There was a lad along, young Jimmie McPherson. The cattle rested; there was nowhere now that old Alex. could drive them further, so he let them fatten while he killed bear, built cabins and corrals and did all sorts of necessary pioneering work. The cattle fattened and were fine; we all had to admit that. Far up on the mountain sides one could see McPherson's whitefaces feeding. Our own little bull grew into useful age and began service. White-faced calves in numbers beyond expectation came in Range Valley. They were plump, growthy, self-reliant and hardy; they climbed so high after grass and stood the winter's storms so well that one by one we were converted. We admitted that "whitefaces are the thing for a rough range, but you want a Durham cow for the mother stock."

Later on, when sheep came and cleaned up a lot of our winter feed and our cattle starved and a good many of them died one winter, we found that it was the "Durham" that died; the whiteface somehow found the last bunch of grass up under a cedar tree or behind a ledge, found the grass, ate it, climbed resolutely higher after more, and died not.

So now the whitefaces dominate the hills and mesas, and the boy Jimmie McPherson is yet managing the descendants of those that old Alex. brought in. He is a father and for aught I know a grandfather in his own right by this time. And today men say, "The very best cattle are the Durhams when you have feed for them in winter and use good whiteface bulls on them, but when they must rustle for themselves give us whitefaces straight."—Jos. E. Wing, Breeders Gazette.

THE RISE OF THE JERSEY.

The Jersey breed of cattle originated on the Island of Jersey, which is in the English Channel about fourteen miles from the coast of France. The island is very small, being eleven miles long, four miles wide, and containing 28,717 acres. Market gardening is the leading industry, but the island has made its international reputation through its cattle. The farms are small in size, ranging from five to twenty acres, and on the average there is about one Jersey cow for every acre.

Originally the Jersey sprang from the large, red cattle of Normandy and the small, black cattle of Brittany, the latter blood predominating. This amalgamation of blood occurred several centuries ago; since that time a very fixed and uniform type has been established by careful selection. So much progress was made by 1799 that laws were passed forbidding the importation of any cattle to the island, save for immediate slaughter, and similar but more stringent laws are still in force.

As early as 1812, Jersey cattle were said to be phenomenal milkers. In color they were, at that time, red, red and white, cream colored, and cream colored and white. Some few were black, and some were black with brownish stripes down the back. In 1834 it was stated that Jersey cows were poor in shape, had bad udders, and some had short, bull necks and heavy shoulders, but the exhibitions at the Royal Jersey Show worked steady improvement in these points. Inferior animals were sent to the butcher.

A number of breeders in England took up Jersey cattle and improved them, beginning as early as 1811. The most noted of these was Philip Dauncey of Buckingham County, who began his work about 1821 and continued it until 1867. He bred for large average better production, constitutional vigor, and a uniform color, free from white markings. In this way a color fad was started which gave the breed a setback for a time, inasmuch as useful points were in many cases made secondary to color. However, Mr. Dauncey bred many notable animals.

Eventually the Jersey was given a fixed, uniform type, showing the most extreme dairy temperament and yielding the richest milk of any breed of dairy cattle. Breeders have emphasized butter-fat production, the quantity of milk being secondary, but important.

Today Jersey cows average about 850 pounds in weight, and bulls about 1300 pounds. Some families average considerably larger in size than do other families of the breed. Jerseys reach breeding age quickly; some few breeders have practiced having the heifers calve at 18 to 20 months of age, and it has been reported that heifers under 365 days old have produced calves.

The Jersey has excellent dairy form and is very lean in appearance. They have superb quality throughout, but sometimes lack constitutional vigor and desirable ruggedness. Their color varies, including various shades of fawn color from silvery and yellowish to orange and brownish. Some are a mulberry black. White markings are not uncommon, but the solid fawn color is preferred. Brindles are disliked.

The head is very clean-cut, very "breedy," dished, rather short, and fairly broad. The eyes are very large and prominent. The horns are short and strong in the bull, but are fine and curving in the cow. White or amber colored horns with black tips are liked best. A long, finely modeled neck is characteristic of the breed.

The chest is deep, but often lacks proper width. Depth and capacity of barrel are good. The back and loin should be straight, and the rump is long and lean, but sometimes narrows too much at the tailhead. The thighs are thin and nicely hollowed inside the leg to make room for the udder.

The Jersey udder is usually very mellow and milks out well, but some Jerseys are criticized for small udders and small teats. However, many cows of the breed have beautiful udders of great capacity. Short, cut-up fore udders are rather too common. The development of the milk veins and milk wells is very good. Jerseys are economical butter-fat producers, and on small or hilly farms, and where concentrated feeds are fed in goodly amounts as compared to roughage, this breed is excellently adapted.

The milk of the Jersey contains very large fat globules, and the cream rises, separates, and churns easily. Many cows produce 14 to 17 pounds of butter per week, while a few exceed 20 pounds. The butter color is excellent. A fair grade of Jersey milk will contain at least 4.5 per cent of fat, and the breed commonly averages more than this. In quantity of milk, Jerseys do not rank high, although some produce 5,000 pounds of milk per year.

Jerseys were first brought to the United States in 1850, and following that date many importations were made, mostly by wealthy men. In 1870 came the color fad, and the breed began to boom about the same time. The boom culminated in 1883, and then prices fell and many fancy herds were dispersed at prices low enough to put the cattle into the hands of men of moderate means. From that time forward, the utility points of the animals received greater attention and development in this country.

The American Jersey Cattle Club was organized in 1886 and has done much to encourage and foster the breed. This association publishes the Herd Register, in which 364,000 animals have been recorded to date. The Club started its seven-day tests in 1884, and in 1903 established the Register of Merit, in which are recorded those animals which meet the requirements for official tests. The official requirement for a mature cow is 360 pounds of butter-fat in one year.

The highest record cow of the breed is Sophie 19th of Hood Farm. At eight years of age she produced in one year 17,557 lbs. of milk, testing 5.7 per cent butter-fat, and her butter-fat yield was 999.2 lbs. Eminent's Bess, at the same age, made a yearly record of 18,782.9 lbs. of milk and 962.8 lbs. of butter-fat.

The list of famous Jersey sires includes Exile of St. Lambert 13657, St. Lambert Boy 17408, King of St. Lambert's King 30752, Ida's Rioter of St. Lambert 13656, King of St. Lambert 15175, Pedro 3187, Diploma 16219, Tormentor 3533, Fancy's Harry 9777, and Stoke Pogis 3rd 2238.

Prices for Jersey cattle have reached high levels in America. The cow, Imported Blue Belle, sold for $3,600 in 1904, and the bull, Noble of Oaklands, sold for $15,000 in 1909.

In conclusion it may be said that the good points of Jersey cattle are: 1. Extreme quality. 2. Extreme dairy temperament. 3. Good dairy form. 4. Early maturity. 5. Beauty of appearance. 6. Mellow udder. 7. Good mammary capacity. 9. Especially adapted to rough lands and hot climates. 10. Breeders to type. 11. High per cent of butter-fat. 12. Large fat globules. 13. Good butter color. 14. Economical butter-fat producers. 15. Popular as a family cow.—American Breeder.

FARMERS WANTED.

Uncle Sam is looking for several hundred practical farmers to take up homes on the irrigation projects he has been building in the West. The land is free, but the law requires settlers to pay their share of building the irrigation system, and for this reason a moderate capital is necessary. A practical farmer with from $1,500 to $3,000 should have no trouble in acquiring one of these farms and putting it in successful cultivation.

Under the new Extension Act the settlers are allowed twenty years in which to pay for their water right, and no interest is required on deferred payments. Details concerning opportunities and terms will be furnished upon request by the Statistician of the Reclamation Service, Washington, D. C.

The farms are located in Idaho, Montana, South Dakota, Nebraska, Wyoming and Nevada, and offer opportunities for citizens to establish homes in a growing country. Adjacent farms are under cultivation, railroads have been built, schools and churches established, telephone and rural free delivery are available, and most of the hardships of pioneering already have been overcome.

Alfalfa is the big crop, although grain and sugar beets are profitable and in some sections truck farming pays well. Livestock and dairying are the principal industries.

AYRSHIRE BREEDERS MEET.

The fortieth annual meeting of the Ayrshire Breeders' Association was held at Manhattan Hotel, New York., Jan. 14, 1915, with about 100 members and friends present. The report showed the association in a prosperous condition, with 104 new members.

Officers elected were: John A. Ness, Auburn, Me., president; J. W. Clise, Seattle, Wash., John R. Valentine, Bryn Mawr, Pa., Wm. T. Wells, Newington, Conn., Geo. E. Converse, Woodville, N. Y., vice-presidents; C. M. Winslow, Brandon, Vt., secretary-treasurer; Geo. H. Yeaton, Dover, N. H., auditor; Geo. R. Wales, No. Beverly, Mass., Dudley Wells 2d, Wethersfield, Conn., John Sherwin, Cleveland, Ohio, A. J. McNab, Black River Falls, Wis., W. P. Schanck, Avon, N. Y., G. M. Leslie, Ft. Wayne, Ind., E. J. Fletcher, Greenfield, N. H., F. N. Dow, Portland, Me., directors for three years.

The J. W. Ogden Sterling Silver cup was won by Penshurst Farm, Narberth, Pa. The French Prize Cups for best record in each class during the past year were: Mature class, Garclaugh Spottie, 22589 lbs. milk, 816.25 lbs. fat, owned by John R. Valentine, Bryn Mawr, Pa.; four-year-old class, Broomhill Bessie 3d, 14319 lbs. milk, 530.12 lbs. fat, owned by Barclay Farms, Rosemont, Pa.; three-year-old class, Rena Ross 3d, 13710 lbs. milk, 551.89 lbs. fat, owned by John R. Valentine, Bryn Mawr, Pa.; two-year-old class, Beuchan Ermine, 15186 lbs. milk, 516.64 lbs. fat, owned by Hugh J. Chisholm, Port Chester, N. Y.

Mr. W. E. Skinner of the National Dairy Show at Chicago, was a guest and made a very interesting and instructive talk on the foot and mouth outbreak. The association voted substantial aid to the Panama-Pacific Exposition, the National Dairy Show, and to all other fairs offering $400 and over to the Ayrshire class. Forty-eight sat down to the banquet.

Offerings for Private Sale from the Stable of

WILLIAM G. DURFEE

of Prime Campaigners and Well Proven Prospects

READY TO RACE THIS YEAR

I have no objections to hard work or to driving an entry in every race of the day's program during the racing season, but daylight hours are limited, and neither physical possibility nor the judges will stand for me driving more than one horse in each race, so I am making this offering of tried and proven campaigners and well developed prospects for classes and coast futurities. I have too many horses already well developed for one man to train and race, with more coming on steadily that must be handled. Many of the individuals offered here are well known to you, and a trip here will give you full acquaintance with any others that may interest you. Every claim made for speed already shown will be fully substantiated, every horse is exactly as represented, and every price is based fairly on what long experience assures me is a conservative estimate of their actual earning capacity in competent hands. Look this list over, come and see them, and you will realize that you have never been afforded a better opportunity for a profitable investment in horseflesh for racing purposes.

DON PRONTO 2:02¼, eight years old, pacer, no straps, needs no boots; sound, not a blemish or a puff. Any amateur can drive him as well as a professional; has been in 2:02 with a 230 pound amateur up. This is a matter of record. Don Pronto is the cleverest all-round high class pacer in the country. Has held a world's record and is from the dam of Manrico (3) 2:07¾, a world's record holder. Is bred to be a great sire, being by **THE DIRECTOR GENERAL** (sire also of Wy-Drad 2:04¼, William O. 2:04¼, Mainsheet 2:05, Deuchester 2:07, etc., 8 in 2:10), and out of **SILURIAN,** that wonderful producing daughter of Wilton. Don Pronto was the biggest money winning free-for-all pacer in the west both in 1913 and 1914. Can surely beat his record. Is very beautiful, pleasant and a great favorite. **Price $1750.00.**

ALARICH 2:11¼ (Breeder's mark 2:09), trotter, bay gelding with black points, 15.3, handsome, sound, fast and game; trialed at Santa Rosa last season in 2:06¾ and can do it again. Is a first class doer, can race twice a week and is eligible to the 2:13 class trots on mile tracks and to the 2:18 class on half-mile tracks; has shown well on the twice-arounds. **Price, $650.00.**

HELEN BELLE (2) 2:22½, breeder's record, bay filly, foaled 1912, good gaited, good headed, sound and extremely fast; was taken up absolutely green on Sept. 3 and has developed in a most satisfactory manner, taking her mark in December, since which time she has been an eighth in :16, half in 1:09. Sired by California's greatest sire of colt trotters, **CARLOKIN 2:07½.** First dam Carolyn C. by **Axtell (3) 2:12** (a champion); second dam by **Expedition,** sire of Bon Voyage 2:08; third dam by **Princeps** (son of Woodford Mamb.); fourth dam by **Hambletonian 10.**

Carolyn C. had two minute speed. This great filly is entered and paid up in the Occident and Stanford stakes, the State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A., Pleasanton and Oregon Futurities for 1915. **The best buy in California at $1750.00.**

NELLIE Mc, black mare, trotter, eight years old, racing sound but is blemished; has always trained sound and I believe will continue to do so. Trialed at Sacramento in 2:10½ and has been a half lately in 1:03¾. Is a splendid mannered mare—anyone can drive her anywhere. She races first class, is fast, good headed, good gaited and dead game.

Sired by **ZOLOCK 2:05¼,** dam by **Wilkes Moor,** son of **Guy Wilkes.**

Stands about 15.3, is a round made extra good looking mare, weighs about 1140, has splendid legs and feet. She negotiates a half mile circle in A-1 style, should surely beat 2:10 this year. Does not puil a pound and can be placed anywhere. Eligible to any class. **Price $1000.00.**

CARLETA, bay filly, two years old, by **CARLOKIN,** dam **ALEXANDRIA, tr. 2:20,** by **Bon Voyage 2:08;** second dam by **Oakland Baron 2:09¼;** third dam by **Allandorf,** etc.

This is a good trotter and should be prominent in her stake engagements. Is very handsome, good headed, sound and comes from familes noted for early speed. She has been up from pasture about eight weeks and trialed this week in 2:49 very easily, last eighth in :19¼.

She is entered and paid up to date in the following stakes: Panama-Pacific $3,000 for two-year-olds, Stanford, Occident, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. **Take her at one-third her value, $500.00.**

OMAR, gelding, trotter, trial 2:13¾, half in 1:05, eighths in :15; good headed, sound and can be depended upon. Is a beautifully gaited big horse and should prove useful to race over the twice arounds or for a matinee and road horse. He is fearless and is one of the most pleasant driving horses I have ever ridden behind. Stands slightly over 16 hands, weighs about 1200, is eight years old. Sired by **DEL CORONADO 2:09½,** dam Pineapple by **Albion** (son of **General Benton**). **A present at $350.00.**

CARLSCHEN (2) 2:23, breeder's record, brown gelding by **CARLOKIN,** dam **BONNIE AILSIE 2:08½** (dam of **Contention B. (3) 2:08¼**) by **Faustino,** son of Sidney.

Trialed with a little work last year a half in 1:09, is extremely promising and looks to be as good a prospect as any of the colts racing last year in the two-year-old trots. Is engaged in several of the futurities including the P. C. T. H. B. A., Pleasanton and State Fair Futurities. Is a splendid type, beautifully gaited, good headed and has extreme speed. He does it right. **Price $800.00.**

HERMES, brown colt, two years old, by **CARLOKIN,** dam **MISS QUEALY** (full sister to **Manrico 2:07¼**).

This is one of the most promising trotters I have ever handled. Is an especially nice gaited colt, can show a 2:20 gait, is good headed and on the whole the most promising youngster I know of for the western stakes. Is also a show horse. Is entered and paid up in the Occident, Stanford, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. His dam is an extremely fast trotter, having shown a two minute gait in her three-year-old form, and his second dam produced two to hold world's records—Manrico and Don Pronto.

This youngster is spoken of as the most impressive colt trotter at Los Angeles. **Price $1500.00.**

JOHNNY DUGAN, 3-yr.-old breeder's record 2:16, pacer, no straps, bay gelding four years old, straight and sound, trialed a half in 1:04 last year in his three-year-old form and could pace around 2:10 in June.

Sire, **CARLOKIN 2:07½;** dam Annabelle L. (full sister to Murray M. and Robert I. 2:08¾) by Hambletonian Wilkes; second dam Annabelle 2:27½ (dam of La Belle 2:16); third dam by Williamson's Belmont. **A great buy at $350.00.**

OLD FOLKS, bay gelding, trotter, five years old, trialed as a two-year-old in 2:31½, as a three-year-old in 2:18½, and in his four-year-old form last May in 2:11, last half in 1:04. Is sound, good gaited, good headed, and should 2:08 this year. Comes from a family of good race horses on both sides—by **DEL CORONADO 2:09½,** dam **IRAN BELLE,** by **Iran Alto 2:12¼;** second dam **ANNABELLE,** etc. He stands A-1 with the railbirds around Los Angeles and is ready to begin fast work, having been jogged all winter. **Price $1000.00.**

CARINA, bay filly, trotter, two years old, by **CARLOKIN,** dam **ATHERINE** (dam of Copa de Oro 1:59, Rags 2:09¼ and Nicola B. (2) 2:23¼, tr. 2:17, winner of the Oregon Futurity and second in the P. C. T. H. B. A. stakes for two-year-old trotters). Carina is entered and paid up in the same stakes as Carleta. She is a grand looking, well developed filly, showed a :40 gait at eleven months old. Is good gaited and good headed, is in training and promises to make a high class trotter. Trialed this week in 2:46, last half in 1:12½. **Price $600.00.**

AND ONE FOR THE $20,000 P.-P. I. E. TROTS — RAGS 2:09¼, winner of the Breeder's and Oregon Futurities, the Stanford and the Occident stakes as a three-year-old, and the Governor's Stake, $5000, as a four-year-old — in all, beaten in but two out of eight starts, second in those two, and beaten only by 2:05 trotters. In my opinion a good a prospect for the big stakes as anyone has. He is a really great race horse, is racing sound, and has developed from an overgrown four-year-old into a sturdy, strong, exceptionally fine individual. Should be engaged in the Panama-Pacific $20,000 stakes, for which I already have entries. None better bred—by **Del Coronado** and out of the dam of **Copa de Oro 1:59,** etc. **Price $2000.**

In addition to the ones above mentioned I will offer to intending buyers **NICOLA B. (2) 2:23¼, JIM CRAM,** three-year-old pacer (brother to Chango 2:12¼), a **YEARLING BROTHER TO ESPERANZA 2:09,** engaged in all of the Stakes, the phenomenal two-year-old pacer **SANDY McNABB** (staked), **MISS QUEALY** (full sister to Manrico), **FIVE YEARLINGS** and **SIX TWO-YEAR-OLDS,** most of which are in training and ready to show.

Prices and descriptions on application.

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THE FARM

A GRINDING MACHINE IS PROFITABLE.

When the writer worked on a farm it was customary to feed the milk cows whole ears of corn. One particular farmer had a standard ration of eight ears for each cow, no matter how much or how little milk the cow produced, nor whether it was rich milk or poor milk. They all received their regulation eight ears twice each day. This was a poor way of feeding cows, but it was the best that this particular farmer knew.

A few years later the writer visited this man's farm and he had changed his method of feeding. Instead of feeding whole corn ears he was feeding soaked shelled corn. Every night so much corn was put to soak in a barrel of water and the next day the cows were fed their ration from this corn. This probably was a step ahead of the old way of feeding, but still it was not considered a very successful method. The water soon got sour, some corn was over-soaked, and some was under-soaked. In cold weather the water in the barrel would often freeze. This ice water made the corn very cold. As a whole it was not satisfactory.

This same farmer has now purchased a gasoline engine and a grinder and every kernel of corn fed to his cows is ground. He learned that it did not pay to feed cows whole grain and have it pass through the digestive tract of the cow without being digested.

Formerly it was thought that even if the corn did pass through the cows in an undigestive form, most of the nutriments had been absorbed. Several experiment stations have now proven by chemical analysis that the corn and the grain that passes through the cow whole, is practically as nutritious as is the corn before it passed through the cow. Several experiments show that when cows are fed the grain whole, as much as 22 per cent of the grain passes through the cow in an unmasticated and undigestive condition. This is a serious loss, especially when grain is so high priced as it is now.

Every dairyman should plan to have a feed grinder. These can be purchased now for a relatively small sum.

Grinding the grain saves the energy and work of the cow. What is the use of feeding a cow a lot of grain and then have her spend a large portion of it in grinding it herself. Take this load off the cow and let the cow reserve her energy for putting this feed into the milk pail.

Grinding the grain saves the life of the cow. In nearly every instance it is the stomach and the teeth that give out first in a dairy cow. A good dairy cow we want to have last just as long as possible, so save her teeth and her stomach by grinding her food.

The cow that will digest the greatest percentage of the food that she eats and put it into the milk pail, is the best and most profitable cow. Unless the feed is put into a condition so that it can be digested, little can be expected from a cow in the way of changing feed into dairy products—Dakota Farmer.

VALUE OF MARKET REPORTS.

The farmer who fails to keep fully informed as to the condition of the markets and the value of the products which he has for sale is making a serious business mistake. Such a mistake if made in any other business would mean immediate bankruptcy.

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YOLO DAIRY HERDS IMPROVE.

J. F. Grass, Jr., official cow tester of Yolo county, has filed his report on the conditions of county dairy herds for the month ending December 31. It is recorded that there are six cows in the association which have produced better than 50 pounds of butter fat during the month. The owners of these cows areA. B. Welch, Charles Hoppin, J. Gould and George Griffes. J. Gould has the record cow for the month with a total of 56.35 pounds of fat for the period. His dairy also has the best average for the season with a mark of 35.10 pounds.

The first six months of the life of the association shows A. B. Welch to have the best averaging herd for that length of time. His dairy stock has produced an average of 38.53 lbs. of butter fat per month for the past six months.

Improvement is being seen in the tests of Mr. Grass every month they are turned in, showing that the worthless stock is fast being weeded out of the Yolo county herds and greatly increasing the efficiency of the industry.

The Amador-El Dorado Stockmen's Association is moving in the matter of getting a law passed by the legislature to remove the scrub bulls from the ranges in order that a higher grade of stock may be assured.

Sutter county will very materially increase the bean acreage the coming season. Large tracts of land have already been leased for this crop to agricultural contractors, and others are being negotiated. The late crop turned out very heavy and returned the growers a good profit.

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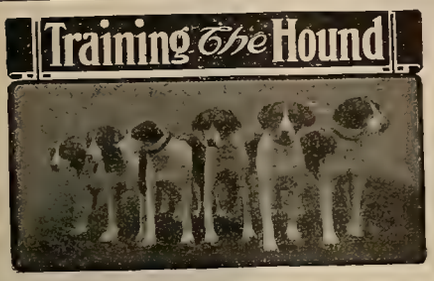
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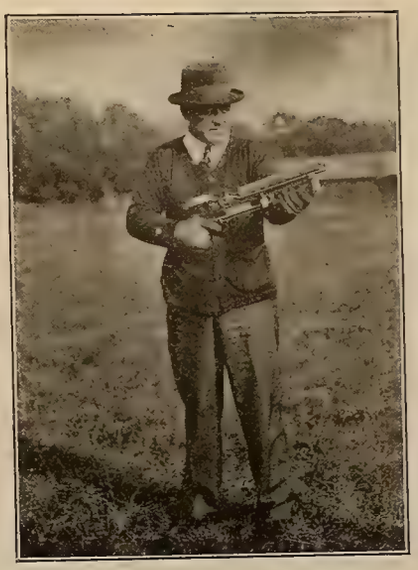
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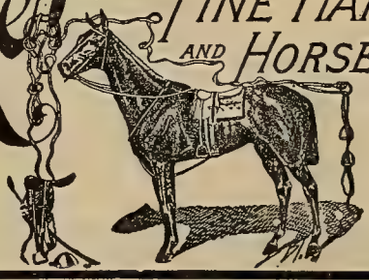


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DISTRICT FAIR BILL AMENDED.

As a result of a conference of a number of directly interested parties during the closing days of the first period of the executive session of the present legislative bodies, amendments were made to the Judson bill that make the outlook for its passage and signature by the governor much more promising, as the present form of Mr. Judson's measure is known to be very much more in keeping with Governor Johnson's previously expressed ideas.

As amended, the bill provides for seven districts, each district to have an appropriation of $3,000 per year for 1915 and 1916, which is a sufficiently modest start, by all means. California can well afford this step, and its taking can have but one result if these initial fairs are honestly administered—a return of district fairs in California on an absolutely assured basis, and in sufficient number to allow every community that can and will support a fair to have one. The individual appropriation is not large, but it is of sufficient size to throw the balance between profit and loss in favor of the former in almost every instance, and enable the various fairs to get on their feet.

As there is a great deal of hard truth in the old saying that "the Lord helps those who help themselves" and that "to him that hath, shall be given," it is most probable that in case of the enactment of the bill as amended, those points that have maintained a fair without assistance will be the scenes of the first of the state-aided events, which to most people seems absolutely right and fair. Working independently and against the same odds that put other associations out of business when state appropriations were withdrawn and betting on the speed events prohibited, fairs have been given at Santa Rosa, Fresno, Hanford, Pleasanton and Riverside that have proven popular with the people of the adjacent territories and in the main have paid some measure of profit, while Woodland has kept on the map as a racing point on speed events alone and Yolo folks are "ripe" for a fair. Given an appropriation of the sums above mentioned there is positive assurance of success at these points, and as "nothing succeeds like success," that is exactly what is vital to the growth and spread of state-aided district fairs.

We are very hopeful of the bill going through both houses in its present form, in which case we are also inclined to the belief that Governor Johnson will affix his signature to the same, thereby bringing a great relief to a condition of affairs that has for some time been assuming very grave aspects. California has for many, many years maintained high rank as a breeding state, and the sums invested in breeding farms and stock runs into a very large sum—a total composed of individual investments which in some instances never paid large return on the cash involved permanently, and whose continuance under existing conditions meant facing a certain loss. A re-establishment of district fairs on even the extremely modest basis proposed means a great impetus to horse breeding through opening a field for earning capacity for track or show ring stars, and the return of the horse to the position he occupied in previous years as a means of bringing pleasure to the countless thousands of his admirers.

There are stables of horses at present in training in California that were facing a trip east or north this year in order to find sufficient racing to pay for fitting horses for campaigning, but, given these seven fairs, most, or all, of these strings will be enabled to stay at home, which means not only an added pleasure for their owners and admirers but a pronounced dollars and cents increase in money kept and spent in California. Also, it means an added incentive for eastern owners to ship to the June meeting of the P.-P. I. E. and remain here straight through until fall.

See to it that when the legislature re-convenes, your senator and assemblyman is "lined up" to put the bill up to the Governor as it now stands, for by no other method will district fairs soon be brought back to California.

AS TO STALLION ADVERTISING.

The attention of stallion owners who intend having their horses in service during the breeding season of 1915 is called to the fact that a number of California's progressive breeders who get their full share of the business each year have started the season run of their announcements with this issue of the Breeder and Sportsman, and those who have not made such announcement are reminded that now is the proper time for inserting the same in our business pages. Brood mare owners are planning their bookings, and for the stallion owner to get full value received for money spent for publicity, that expenditure should be made early in the season before booking proper begins. There is a larger proportion of stallions than mares in the ranks of the light harness horse in California, so that competition among stud proprietors is pretty keen, but it is accepted among business men in all pursuits that the stiffer the competition the harder you must go after business if you are to keep your head above water financially, and the principal method of going after business in all merchandising ventures is by a liberal and convincing use of printer's ink. The stallion owner is merely a merchant, a vendor of the services of his horse, and if the wares he has to offer are worthy of being sought by the public, printer's ink plays the same important role in contributing to his success that it brings to the upbuilding of any other great vending enterprise.

For the purpose of reaching owners of broodmares in the west, no medium can be more advantageously employed than the Breeder and Sportsman, going as it does into the home or office of practically every "live" westerner who has a fondness for the great American trotter and who is a patron of breeding in either a modest or pretentious manner. It is the only paper in its territory that serves the wants of the horseman, and for over thirty years, without interruption, patrons of its business pages have found money so spent, well spent—invariably an investment that paid good returns. The markedly successful participants in any of the allied branches of the industries of breeding and racing trotters have been generous purchasers of Breeder and Sportsman advertising space for this one supreme reason—it paid, and pay is what men labor for.

We have for some time maintained that the tide of the trotting horse business reached its ebb in California in the year 1914, and that the outlook for the future is brighter than for some time past. There seems at present a very strong probability of the restoration of district fairs in California this year, and even though they be re-established in a most modest manner, the step is one that opens a great field for expansion in the production of horse flesh. Our growing agricultural operations—and there are thousands of acres in California now "laying out" that are susceptible to cultivation as our population increases and our knowledge of locally adaptable methods of scientific husbandry waxes larger—require annually a greater number of generally serviceable horses, and no horse is so generally serviceable as is the trotter. Moreover, the European powers show no let-up in their demands for American horseflesh for the pursuit of their campaigns—demands which, with the coming of peace, will be vastly enhanced in the future. True it is that gasoline will be the means of tilling untold areas of European soil in the new regime, even as today the power-farmed acreage of America runs into a staggering total, but for the rank and file of farmers, both at home and abroad, the horse is and will be for unnumbered years the major instrument in use in their pursuit of livelihood.

It is in the light of these considerations that we say the future is brighter than we have known for long; that we say to the stallion owner to put his business announcement where it will reach the highways and the byways of the realm of the trotter on the Pacific coast, and that we say to the owner of every brood mare in the land, select the best stallion to whose services you have access and see to it that she gets with foal. You will thank us for the advice in the future.

A USEFUL PUBLICATION.

A copy of the second edition of the Horseman's useful little book, "The Care and Training of Trotters and Pacers," has reached our reference table and is quite an improvement over the original publication, which had attained great popularity and a wide circulation among horsemen. The new book, which is little only in size but great in the fund of authoritative information contained within its covers, contains several pages more than its predecessor, and is an excellent example of modern printing. It has been compiled by the editorial staff of the Horseman from matter gathered from the foremost of American owners, breeders and trainers of light harness horses, and will be found a valuable addition to the library of every practical horseman.

The volume is divided into ten major chapters, as follows: The Suckling Colt, The Weanling Colt, Making Speed with Yearlings, Shoeing Colts, Preparing for Two-year-old Futurities, Three-year-olds, Shoeing of 101 Famous Colts, Six Principal Defects in Gait, Types of Shoes, and Miscellany, the latter chapter containing several valuable bits of information not properly to be classified under the foregoing headings.

We have supplied a number of our readers with copies of the first edition, and will gladly take care of orders for the new books, which we can most warmly recommend as "Volume 1 of the Horseman Library"—an excellent foundation upon which to build for the newcomer to the game, or a valuable addition to any old established collection of books relating to the trotter, no matter how complete.

AND ONCE AGAIN the east and the west clash in this matter of nomenclature. Our eastern contemporaries cast aspersions last season upon those redoubtable westerners, Shoestring Billy, Billy Dog Tracks, Sand Hill Pete, and others of their kind, and now comes one of the aforesaid eastern contemps with word that the name of the lamented Squantum, who cashed in at Phoenix last fall, is a Nantucket whaleman's word, probably of Indian origin, signifying a feast or picnic. Right here we rise to a point of order to remark that there is absolutely no comparison, as inherently descriptive terms, between the Indian idioms of the extreme east and the far west in this matter of hanging a brand on a festival. "Squantum" rolls past us without creating a ripple of curiosity as to the whenceness of its why or imparting to our feeble intellect the slightest hint as to its meaning—musical on some tongues, perhaps, and reminiscent of days gone by down in the Cummaquid or Quinapoxet neighborhood when the noble red man wandered from Paugus to Saugus and southward as far as Quinebaug or Pequabuck, but, on the whole, flat, friends—flat. Also colloquial and little known. Once away from the confines of Teaticket or Tarpaulin Cove we doubt if ten per cent of the natives of New England could tell the chance inquiring stranger the true meaning of the word. How different with our simple and expressive Siwash idiom, "Potlatch"! Less graceful, perhaps, for gracefulness is not a Siwash characteristic. Less musical, perhaps, for music is scarcely a long suit of the Siwash, save in its less finished harmonies—or rather more finished inharmonies. But descriptive—my, yes! Suggestive of its true origin and meaning—you bet! Say "Potlatch" to the veriest tenderfoot just arrived from way the other side of the big divide and he pricks up his ears with interest and a suspicion, at least, of comprehension, and therein lies the vast superiority of our western lingo. "Squantum"—"Potlatch." Put 'em side by side, try 'em out on the dog, or the next man you meet, and we win hands down.

Wintering in Angeltown

ROBERT A. SMITH, Correspondent.

A very close observing "old timer," one of a coterie of horsemen at Exposition Park, Los Angeles, last Thursday morning remarked: "I have never in my life seen so many high class colts at one race track." The trainers here are busy from dawn 'til dark, "starting up" their colts, getting them properly booted and balanced and having ever in mind the hope of topping the summary in some of the two-year-old stakes to be trotted in California the coming season. The preparatory jogging period of over a hundred head commenced about New Year's day while the colts have been studying their lessons and some of the older ones moved up a little in a short brush. The young reinsman Will Durfee, with his usual equanimity, tireless endeavor and ceaseless vigilance, has in his training department thirty-five head and with his corps of assistants is "honeing" every day. In addition to his sires Copa de Oro 2:01 by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ and Carlokin 2:07½ by McKinney 2:11¼ Will has among his record horses every one of which, except Don Pronto, obtained their marks last year:

Virginia Barnette (3 2:08¼, by Moko, dam Zephyr 2:07¼ by Zombro 2:11. Virginia will probably start in both of the $20,000 stakes for 2:10 class trotters at the Panama-Pacific meetings in June and November.

Rags 2:09¼ by Del Coronado 2:09½, dam Atherine 2:16¾ (dam of Copa de Oro p. 2:01) by Patron 2:14¼. As a three year old Rags won all his engagements, acquiring a record of 2:13¼, which he reduced last year to 2:09¼, and later won the $5,000 stake at Sacramento. He will be entered this season at the "Fair," and through the California circuit.

Esperanza (3) 2:09 by Carlokin 2:07½, dam My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½. This filly won six races last year, including all the three-year-old classic California stakes, was unbeaten and worked a mile at Santa Rosa during the meeting in 2:07¾. She is entered in the $20,000 stake at the San Francisco June meeting.

Bertha Pointer 2:08½ by Del Coronado 2:09½, dam by Sky Pointer (full brother to Star Pointer 1:59¼). This is a very clever, good headed and very fast mare and may be "kept over" for the big stakes in the Grand Circuit in 1916.

Josephine Watts (3) 2:09½ by General Watts (3) 2:06¾, dam Belle Andrews (dam of Beirne Holt 2:11¼, etc.) by Billy Andrews. This daughter of General Watts is extraordinarily good headed, has a tremendous lick, and can trot any eighth on the race track in 15 seconds or better.

Alerick 2:09¼ by Direcho, dam Alhambra Lilly by Geo. W. McKinney 2:14¼. This fellow is eligible to the 2:13 class in 1915, worked a mile at Santa Rosa last summer in 2:06¾, and will probably be raced the coming season on the twice-arounds.

Ethyl D. (3) 2:11 by Carlokin 2:07½, dam Roberta Madison by Jas. Madison 2:17¾. Ethyl is a very handsome filly, took a breeder's record of 2:11 early last season and during the Santa Rosa meeting was driven a mile by Mr. Chas. A. Durfee in 2:10.

Carl (2) 2:19¾ by Carlokin 2:07½, dam My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ (dam of Esperanza 2:09, etc.) by Petigru 2:10½. Mr. Durfee is particularly "sweet" on this colt and looks for him to duplicate the performances of his older sister Esperanza 2:09 by winning all the three-year-old stakes in California and Oregon in 1915. He is also to be the representative of the Durfee stable in the $5000 stake for three-year-old trotters at the 'Frisco meeting in June. Worked in 2:14¾ last fall.

Byron (2) 2:20½ by Tom Moko 2:13, dam Rita H. p. 2:11¼ by McKinney 2:11¼. This colt was the champion two-year-old of California last year; won all the two-year-old futurities, could trot close to 2:12 last fall and is destined to be of the epoch-making variety. Byron is entered in the classic three-year-old stakes in California this year.

Helen Belle (2) 2:22¼ by Carlokin 2:07½, dam Carolyn C. by Axtell 2:12; second dam by Expedition 2:15¾. This filly was started on at the time Mr. Durfee returned from the races in October, taking a breeder's two-year-old record of 2:22¼ on December 29. She stepped thro' the stretch last week in 33¼ with the eighth in 16¼ seconds; is at present the "talk of the track" and is entered in the Occident, Stanford, State Fair Futurity, Breeders Futurity, Pleasanton Futurity and Oregon Futurity, all stakes for three-year-old trotters.

Nicola B. (2) 2:23¼ by Carlokin 2:07½, dam Atherine 2:16¾ (dam of Copa de Oro 2:01) by Patron 2:14¼. "Nic" worked a mile last June in 2:17 as a two-year-old; later was thrown out of training by reason of a slight injury. Appears to be O. K. now and is entered in the $5000 Panama-Pacific stake for three-year-olds at the June meeting, and all other western three-year-old trotting stakes.

Carlschen (2) 2:23 by Carlokin 2:07½, dam Bonnie Ailsie p. 2:08½ (dam of Contention B. (3) p. 2:08¼) by Faustino. This colt is working nicely, trotted a half in 1:09 recently and is entered in several three-year-old stakes.

Miss Quealy (2) 2:26¾ by Moko, dam Silurian 2:25¾ (dam of Manrico (3) 2:07¼) by Wilton 2:19—a full sister to Manrico. My! what a distinction to be so closely related to such a horse, who as a three-year-old won the Kentucky Futurity, lowering the world's record for the fastest sixth heat ever trotted by a horse of any age, to 2:07¼, which mark still stands. Miss Quealy is in regular training now, has been a half in 1:06 and on Thursday last stepped an eighth in 15¾ seconds to cart. "Bill" regards this mare as one of his most promising trotters and will be liberally staked this coming season.

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"Bill's" record horses in the pacing department are not many, but have made themselves known.

Don Pronto 2:02¼ by The Director General, dam Silurian 2:25¾ (dam of Manrico) by Wilton 2:19. All the light harness horse world will remember the sparkling races Don went and especially when he invaded the Grand Circuit as a five-year-old and brought to California the five-year-old world's record for pacers. There is another world's record Don obtained when he drew Capt. Barnette, weighing 237 pounds, to a matinee record of 2:02 at Los Angeles.

White Sox, t. 2:13½ p. 2:06¼, by Del Coronado 2:09½, dam Subito (dam of Blanche p. 2:06¼, etc.) by Steinway. This mare was a big winner in California last season, was a close second in the third heat at Sacramento in 2:04½, and is very likely to be prominently mixed up in the heat of battle and to have "a hand" in the distribution of the $20,000 to be paid out at the conclusion of the 2:06 pace at San Francisco next June.

Contention B. (3) 2:08¼ by Copa de Oro, dam Bonnie Ailsie p. 2:08½ by Faustino 2:14¾. This son of Copa de Oro has the tremendous whizz and many other qualifications that are required in a two-minute horse. With limited work last summer he paced an eighth in 13¼, a quarter in 29 1-5 seconds, a half in 1:01¼ and two heats the same day in 2:07¾ and 2:07¼, both of these miles being faster than the world's record for three-year-old pacing geldings. He will probably be worked lightly as a four-year-old and staked in the Grand Circuit in 1916.

Chango (3) 2:12¼ by Copa de Oro 2:01, dam Lady H. 2:26 by Del Coronado 2:09½. The word "chango" in a foreign tongue means "monkey," but it is a misnomer in this instance, as this colt neither looks, acts nor is gaited like one. He has won all the western pacing futurity stakes both as a two- and a three-year-old, except the Breeders; acquired a three-year-old record of 2:12¼ at Phoenix, Ariz., driven by his owner, an amateur, and worked a mile at Santa Rosa in 2:09.

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The green division comprises—

Nelly Mc, trotter, by Zolock 2:05¼, dam by Wilkes Moor, a son of Guy Wilkes. Nellie worked a mile last year in 2:10½ with a half in 1:03¼ and an eighth in 15 seconds. She will likely be raced this year on half-mile tracks.

The Lark, by Carlokin 2:07½, dam Subito (dam of White Sox 2:06¼, Blanche 2:06¼) by Steinway, trotted a mile last year as a three-year-old in 2:18½ and is working fine now.

Carlrich, pacer, by Carlokin 2:07½, dam by A. W. Richmond, paced a trial last summer in 2:14 with a half in 1:03.

Old Folks, a five-year-old gelding by Del Coronado 2:09½, worked a mile at the trot in 2:11¼ with a half in 1:04.

The green three-year-olds are:

Silvas, bay colt by Siliko, European 2:08 2-5, dam Countess Leyburn by Arion 2:07¾; a very handsome colt, as a two-year-old trotted an eighth in 18 seconds, and is entered in the western stakes.

Jim Cram, bay gelding by Copa de Oro, dam Lady H. 2:26 (dam of Chango 2:12¼) by Del Coronado 2:09½, paced a half in 1:12½ last year as a two-year old and is in all the western futurities.

Cope, by Copa de Oro 2:01, dam Leonor Mc, pacer, matinee record 2:08¼, by McKinney 2:11¼, is a very racy looking colt and paced a half in 1:09 as a two-year-old and is also entered in all the western futurities.

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The following 1915 two-year-olds by Carlokin 2:07½ and entered in all the western stakes are:

Hermes, brown colt, dam Miss Quealy 2:26¾ (full sister to Manrico 2:07¼) by Moko. One of the most impressive young colt trotters that has shown here for a long time; has been worked about a month and has been a quarter in 37½ seconds.

Carina, bay filly, dam Atherine 2:16¾ (dam of Copa de Oro p. 2:01 and Nicola B. (2) 2:23¼) by Patron 2:14¼, has been a mile in 2:48, last eighth in 19¾ seconds.

Carleta, bay filly, dam Alexandria by Bon Voyage 2:08, a mile in 2:46 with an eighth in 19¼ seconds.

Baron Long, gray colt, dam (dam of John Warwick (2) 2:17) by Eros; one-eighth in :22.

By Copa de Oro p. 2:01:

Sandy McNab, chestnut gelding, dam Lucy May 2:20 by Oakland Baron; one-fourth as a yearling in :33½ at the pace.

Tom Thumb, bay colt, dam Leonor Mc p., matinee 2:08¼, by McKinney 2:11¼; mile in 2:50, last eighth in 20 seconds. This will be the Durfee representative in the $2000 stake for two-year-old pacers at San Francisco.

By Manrico (3) 2:07¼:

Manuelito, chestnut colt, dam My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ (dam of Esperanza (3) 2:09, etc.) by Petigru 2:10½; an eighth in 19¾ seconds.

Rico, chestnut colt, dam Pavlowa B. by Petigru; second dam Subito (dam of White Sox 2:06¼, etc.) by Steinway. Paced an eighth in 17 seconds.

Black filly, dam Subito by Steinway, trotted an eighth in 19¾ seconds.

Frank Berry, brown colt, dam Zephyr 2:07¼ (dam of Virginia Barnette (3) 2:08¼) by Zombro 2:11; a quarter in 42 seconds.

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W. R. Murphy, "the silent man" from Inglewood, with his son as assistant trainer, is preparing for a season of activity, with the following:

Danube 2:12¼ by Direcho who, it will be remembered, was a big winner of the Salisbury stable several years ago.

Radium, a green trotter by Carlokin 2:07½, dam Zola by Guide; second dam by Altamont 2:26¾. Worked a mile last week in 2:17½. He is owned by J. H. Dunlap, formerly of Pittsburgh, Pa., and will probably be raced on the Pennsylvania and Ohio half-mile tracks.

Donna Lee, bay filly (3) by Donasham 2:09¼, dam Bay Leaf by Telephone. Stepped a mile as a two-year-old last June in 2:15½ and a half in 1:05. This filly is the apple of Murphy's eye and is "high priced" on her chances in the three-year-old stakes.

Tim Whiffler, pacer, by Zombro 2:11, dam Lady by Neernut 2:12¼. Tim has been prominent in the matinees here; has been a mile in 2:11½ with a half in 1:03½.

Hal Wilkes is another green pacer by Young Hal, dam May by Roy Wilkes 2:06; has not been worked much but is a good going fellow with a "lot of lick."

Della Pronto, yearling trotter by Bon McKinney, dam Cecelia M. by Robin. This filly is out of the dam of the good trotter Great Northern 2:17¼ and steps off like a real "phenom."

Redway, a three-year-old by Red McK., dam Lassie by Strathway 2:19. "Bill" has been working this fellow only three weeks and has been a half in 1:15, the quarter in 36 seconds.

A yearling filly by Red McK., dam Bird by Warspite (a son of Steinway); an eighth in 20 seconds.

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Chas. Atkinson, formerly of Maryland, and who so successfully drove Little Bernice p. 2:06¼ in her three-year-old campaign two years ago, has seven head, the main attraction of which, of course, is Little Bernice p. 2:06¼ by Del Coronado 2:09½, dam by Sky Pointer (full brother to Star Pointer p. 1:59¼). Charley raced Bernice in her memorable trip east in 1913, won many races and forced William p. 2:00 to go in 2:05, which was the world's record at that time for three-year-old pacers. At Peoria, the same season, the filly worked a mile in 2:04. After a year's absence from the Atkinson stable Charley is again preparing her with the one aim in view, first money in the $20,000 stakes at the Panama-Pacific meeting. She is owned by the good sportsman Sam Watkins of Los Angeles, prominent as a horse auctioneer in California for many years.

Directum Penn 2:12¼ by Directum 2:05¼, dam Llul B. (dam of Wm. Penn 2:07¼) by Dauntless, worked last week a quarter in 31 seconds, eights in 15 seconds.

Trix, green trotter by Redlac 2:07¼, dam Hawthorne by McKinney 2:11¼; a mile in 2:13½ with a half in 1:04.

Alexandria by Bon Voyage 2:08, dam Lucy May 2:20 by Oakland Baron, a mile in 2:20½ trotting.

Lulu B. (dam of Wm. Penn 2:07¼) by Dauntless, by Hailcloud p. 2:07¼, stepped recently in 2:16¼.

Bay three-year-old colt by Kinney Lou 2:07¾, dam by Jerome; broken last fall and has been an eighth in 20 seconds.

Lady Lawrence, two-year-old filly by Directum Penn 2:12¼, dam Bonita by Knight, just broken, has been an eighth in 19 seconds.

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The genial Fred Ward, in connection with other track duties, is jogging the good trotter Great Northern 2:17¼ by Wayland W. 2:12¼, dam Cecelia M. by Robin. This is a very fast and exceptionally good headed trotter, worked last June in 2:10½ and back in 2:10; raced very successfully in California and Oregon and is rated as one of the topnotchers.

Dr. Wayo 2:12¼ by Wilkhurst 2:17¼, dam Treville by Trevillian 2:11¼; second dam Beautiful Bells by Electioneer. The Dr. stepped three heats in 2:09¼, 2:08¼, 2:09½ in the race won by Duchess 2:07¼ last fall at Phoenix, Ariz.

Beirne (2) 2:21 by Beirne Holt 2:11¼, dam Freckle Bird 2:26 by Freckles. This colt was a fast two-year-old and will be heard from this year in the three-year-old California and Oregon stakes.

Two-year-old by Dr. Wayo 2:12½, out of Emily W. 2:10 by Jas. Madison 2:17¾. Fred moved this colt a quarter in :39¾ as a yearling.

McVerde p. 2:19¼ by Zolock is a very rugged pacer; stepped a mile last spring in 2:06¼, with a half in 1:01¾. He will be raced this year and will surely pace in 2:05.

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C. T. Hewitt, of Inferlotta p. 2:04¾ fame, and our premier saddle and high school horseman, has:

McGregor Parole, the eight-year-old bay stallion by Parole 2:16, dam by Robt. McGregor 2:17½. Mr. Hewitt worked this horse a half in 1:07 barefooted. Three yearlings by him worked eighths in 20 seconds.

Chauncey 2:17 by Strathway 2:19, owned by Mr.

P. F. Pidgeon of San Diego, took a breeder's record of 2:17 and worked a half in 1:06.

Directless (2) by McGregor Parole, dam Belle 2:30 by Titus, trotted an eighth in 19 seconds recently.

Also two very high class show mares, Mabel Rex and Selma, winners from Madison Square Garden to the Pacific coast.

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Charley Nickerson, who forsook the heat of the Imperial Valley last summer for the charms of Exposition Park, is again working Marie G., matinee record 2:16, by Zombro 2:11, dam by Woolsey (full brother to Sunol 2:08¼); a mile in 2:12 last year, driven by an amateur.

Belle Pepper, by Silver Coin 2:10, dam by Wilkie Knox 2:10¼. Charley drove this mare a mile last year in 2:11, with a half in 1:02½ and quarter in 29¾ seconds. When she is out for business she is decorated with a "hobble skirt."

Three-year-old pacing colt by Copa de Oro 2:01 out of Easter D. p. (2) 2:13¼ (dam of Patrick de Oro (3) 2:22¼), full brother to Patrick de Oro, who last year as a three-year-old paced that sparkling mile in 2:08½ on a half-mile track in Canada. Jim Stewart, before his departure for the races last May, drove this (then a two-year-old) colt with very little training in 2:20, with the last half in 1:07, immediately thereafter selling him to Mr. John Nickerson of this city.

Ossewinamakee, bay colt by Copa de Oro p. 2:01, dam by Wilkie Knox 2:10¼, has just been started up, has been a mile in 2:36, one-eighth in 17 seconds, and is a study in nomenclature.

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J. W. Cooper is getting ready the members of the matinee stable of F. J. Christopher, viz.:

Alaca, matinee record pacing 2:10¼, by Symboleer 2:09¼, dam by Joe Young (sire of dam of Joe Patchen 2:01¼) moved a quarter last week in 32 seconds.

Also a yearling filly by Carlokin 2:07½, dam May Madison by Jas. Madison 2:17¾, and two yearlings by Alaca, a bay colt out of Princess by Redlac 2:07¼ and a brown colt out of Direct Maid, matinee record 2:20, by Direcho.

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Joe Torrey has recently moved to the track from Long Beach with Baronteer Todd, bay horse by Todd 2:14¾, dam by Baron Wilkes. Al Russell trained him some time ago and drove him in 2:12 on the pace.

Bessie Tea 2:22 by Zombro 2:11, dam Manilla (dam of Eloreta 2:12½, etc.) by Shadeland Hero. Russell also worked this mare in 2:12½.

Joe Todd, a six-year-old son of Baronteer Todd out of Bessie Tea 2:22.

A. W. Wright, also of Long Beach, has Capt. Todd p. 2:24¼ by Baronteer Todd, who has been prominent in matinees of the Los Angeles Driving Club and has been a half in 1:04.

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Messrs. Nesmith & San have King Lilly Pointer p. 2:19½ (breeder's record) by Star Pointer 1:59¼, dam by Direct 2:05½; has been a mile in 2:12, half in 1:03½.

Julia Clay by Clay Edwin 0692, dam s. t. b. by Egmont, trotted in 2:10¼ last year, half in 1:03½.

Happy Clay, by Clay Edwin, dam Daisy by Ayers Hambletonian, double gaited gelding, can trot or pace in 2:15.

Imbro Clay (3), brown colt by Imbro p. 2:12½, dam Bedelia Clay by Clay Edwin, trotted a quarter in 36 seconds.

Cappy Clay (full brother to Julia Clay), a seven-year-old gelding, trotted in 2:24; and

Two yearlings by King Lilly Pointer, one out of Clay Belle by Clay Edwin, which at six months old paced beside its sire an eighth in 25 seconds, while the one out of Bedelia by Clay Edwin stepped an eighth in 22½ seconds the day it was 13 months old.

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W. G. Boyd of Long Beach, who trained a little last year at this track, is again on the job with June Bug, matinee record 2:20, by Zombro 2:11; trotted in 2:16 last year and seems to have kept her speed with her, as last week she breezed a half in 1:05, with a quarter in 31½ seconds. This mare will probably be headed for the 'Frisco meeting.

Jessie Marie (3), by Zobeck (son of Zolock 2:05¼), quarter in 40½ and eighth in 19½ seconds.

Nattie Ellen (2) by Zobeck, just broken, trotted an eighth in 25 seconds.

Ben Beach (2) by Baronteer Todd, recently broken, quarter :40½ trotting.

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Chas. Chicke, who developed the Zombro mare Bertha Carey 2:08¼ and sold her to R. J. MacKenzie, has just begun on three green ones:

Simo, by Limonero (3) 2:15¾, dam Zona by McKinney 2:11¼. Charley has just purchased this mare who has had very little training but has been a mile in 2:21, quarter in 33 seconds.

Ebe, brown cold (3), by Kentucky Todd (3) 2:08¾, dam Bow Wow by Libertine; eighth in 21 seconds.

Bon Actor, three-year-old colt by Bon McKinney out of the dam of Bertha Pointer 2:08½, trotted an eighth as a two-year-old in 20 seconds.

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E. C. Matthews & Son, formerly of Minneapolis, have been training here a short time. It was the senior member of the firm who broke, as a two-year-old, Little Bernice p. 2:06¼ and drove her a quarter in 32 seconds. He is now handling Mabel Van 2:11¼ by On Stanley, dam by a son of Silkwood 2:08. Mabel trotted some admirable races in California and Arizona last season, and late in the fall went a trial at Los Angeles in 2:07½. The secretary of the big meeting at San Francisco is apt to have a good sized check "payable to her order" at the close of the races in June.

Lillian Van is a full sister to Mabel Van, a year younger, and worked a mile last year in 2:30.

Zobeck, by Zolock p. 2:05¼, dam by Zombro 2:11, is a very fast horse, having paced a quarter in 30 seconds.

Nora Hal, by Hal McKinney p. 2:06¼, paced a half in 1:08, with the quarter in 32 seconds.

Also a three-year-old filly by Zolock 2:05¼, dam by Zombro 2:11.

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P. Kelly, assistant to Jas. Stewart, who is now racing on the ice in Canada, has just arrived here from the ranch with a five-year-old brown gelding by Guy Dillon, dam Russie Russ (dam of Ruth Dillon 2:06½). Never had any previous work beyond breaking and worked a mile in 2:41½ last week.

Bay gelding by Guy Dillon, dam Stambouletta by Stamboul 2:07½. A two-year-old but has had nothing done with him until recently, when he trotted a quarter in 34½ and an eighth in 16 seconds.

Bay filly (2) by F. S. Whitney 2:09¾, dam by Star Pointer p. 1:59½.

Chestnut colt yearling, a full brother to Patrick de Oro (tr. 2:08½, three-year-old, half-mile track); also

Easter D. (2) 2:13¼, the grand brood mare, who on Jan. 21 produced a filly to the embrace of Copa de Oro.

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I. N. Mosher, the well known horseman of California and Oregon, is training a very fast young pacer out of his old favorite Oma A.2:13. He calls him Thos. A.; he is a nice going bay gelding and Mr. Mosher rode a half in 1:03 behind him a couple of days ago.

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Ed Mosher is devoting lots of time to Miss Carlokin p. 2:20 by Carlokin 2:07½ out of Miss Williams p 2:09¼, and Miss Imbro by Imbro p. 2:12½, also out of Miss Williams. These mares are learning fast. Both can beat 2:20 and are owned by Mr. C. C. Price, who has been prominently identified with the horse interests in Colorado for many years, and is now a resident of Los Angeles.

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The versatile Harry Messmore, equally adept in the saddle, on a sulky, or serving a chicken pie, occasionally tears himself away from his cafe business to work his mares. One, a trotter by Limonero 2:15¾, dam by Zolock p. 2:05¼, stepped a half in 1:04½ last summer, while the other is a pacer by Zolock 2:05¼ that Harry worked a half in 1:06 and quarter in 32 seconds.

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"Dave" Stewart, one of the pioneers in the horse game in Spokane, Wash., where he accumulated sufficient "mazuma" in providing the trotters in that country with "footwear" to enjoy the life of Southern California, has Zomera 2:11¼ by Zombro. Dave has had many pleasant rides behind this clever mare and will probably race her this year.

In addition to the above list of horses at this place are the eastern horses, eleven in the stable of Alonzo McDonald, of Indianapolis, Ind., and two in the stable of "Al" Whitney of Chicago, which were described fully in last week's Breeder.

ONE TREE BRINGS $100.

The government has received $99.40 in settlement for a single sugar pine tree which was cut in trespass in the Stanislaus National Forest, in this state, and which yielded more than enough actual lumber to build a good-sized suburban frame house. The tree scaled 18,933 board feet and was valued at $5.25 per thousand feet.

Not many trees contain enough lumber to build a two-foot board walk nearly two miles long, and this is believed to be the first case on record in which a single tree felled in a national forest was valued at almost $100 on the stump, although national forest timber is frequently sold at considerably higher rates.

Calino, the imported Percheron stallion owned by the Altamont Horse Company, was sold last Saturday at public auction to Max Berlin of Livermore at a very healthy figure.

WALNUT HALL.

It having been known for some time past that the health of Mr. L. V. Harkness was in a very precarious condition, the death of that breeder, announced in last week's Review, while it has excited universal regret, has caused no surprise among those aware of the situation which had for some time existed. The constitution of the owner of Walnut Hall Farm had been undermined by one of the most insidious of diseases which, once a human being becomes subject to it, never relaxes its hold until the end. The most eminent physicians in two hemispheres had sought in vain to arrest the progress of the malady in the case of Mr. Harkness, but without avail, and all those near to him, as well as numerous others, had been aware that he was fighting a losing battle and that his days were numbered.

In his connection with turf and breeding interests, every action of the dead man has redounded to his honor. He possessed a genuine love for the trotter, and his ideals of racing and breeding were of the highest. Being able to command the resources of vast wealth, he carried out his plans upon the same lines that marked their conception—a thing which few men have been enabled to do—and became the world's leading breeder of trotters; a position which must have caused him pardonable pride, but in which his modesty never suffered him to seek "the limelight," or to angle for the "reclame" which most men in the same position would desire. When his health and time allowed, he was always one of the most interested spectators at the Lexington meetings, to which, in years gone by, he used to drive behind a superb four-in-hand that excited invariable admiration. While the remembrance of the episode may have faded from many minds, he was at one time deeply interested in the coaching type and expended large sums of money in the purchase of stallions and mares of the French Coach strain. By means of these animals and selected individuals from his trotting stud he hoped to found a family of higher stamp, for fancy heavy harness uses, than ever before known in this country, but disappointment awaited him. His French Coach stallions—for one of which he paid $10,000—did not "breed true," and eventually he cleared out the entire collection and gave up the attempt, limiting himself thereafter to trotting breeding exclusively. The success of his operations in this field enabled him repeatedly to witness horses of his own breeding, many of them also his own property, win the most coveted and valuable classics of the turf, but latterly he had discontinued campaigning a racing stable and sold the produce of his mares annually at the auctions.

Thousands of horse-lovers from all parts of the United States and Canada have visited Walnut Hall, as have also a large number from overseas—and we doubt if one of them ever went away from there save regretfully and with renewed love for the trotter, and the feeling that nowhere else in the world was trotting breeding carried on in an environment and under conditions which so nearly verged upon the ideal. Not many miles away was the magnificent Elmendorf estate of the late J. B. Haggin, larger in extent, and, in some respects, more magnificently appointed—it being, indeed, the more costly of the two. But we have heard hundreds of men and women, fresh from visits to both, invariably voice their preference for Walnut Hall. This was due to the greater natural beauty of its situation and to the fact that it had an atmosphere of its own quite indefinable, but equally penetrating and impossible to resist. Devoid of ostentation or any attempt at the merely sumptuous or ornate, there dwelt upon it a pastoral charm, a harmonious completeness and fitness for its own ends and aims, a serene spirit of restfulness and retirement, "far from the madding crowd's ignoble strife," that, once felt, was never to be forgotten. In the early spring it was like a lyric; in mid-summer it pulsed with the full-throated strain of nature's song; in the autumn, garbed in gold and crimson, it was a splendid pageant of reverberant tone. In such a setting the beauty and glory of the high-bred horse take on a heightened potency, as those who have lingered before Moko and Walnut Hall 2:08¼ as they were led out in the grassy yard before the stallion barn, or wandered through the paddocks and pastures to inspect the matrons and the colts and fillies, will attest. The mind of the writer of these lines goes back to many such a moment, the memory of which will never fade.

It is, therefore, with a pang we face the knowledge that the death of Mr. Harkness means, with little doubt, the "passing" of Walnut Hall from the ranks of trotting nurseries. It was his creation, and, it appears, among the members of his family there is no one apt to perpetuate and carry it on as he did. This is only in consonance with the vicariousness of all things mundane, but it is nevertheless something intensely to be regretted. It will have no successor, because it has been unique, and as such it will remain in breeding history. Its place, historically, is upon the same page with Woodburn, Fairlawn, Glenview, Stony Ford, Palo Alto, Rosemeade, Bitter Root Ranche, Suburban Farm, Forbes Farm, Village Farm, among the great history-making ones of the past, whose stamp was and is indelible. Each of these renowned establishments had its own special quality, its own individual form and flavor, but of them all, Walnut Hall has been the most perfect of its kind, the most unapproachable in its way. Its career has covered a period of twenty years, which, perhaps, exceeds the span things of its kind commonly attain, and it is a matter for gratulation that it has not survived to a day of decadence and vanished fame. It will not totter from the scene and pass ignominiously into the realms of memory, but yield its place with the same dignity and poise that have marked its course throughout.

It is hard to part with Walnut Hall—but in doing so, we can feel sure that one of its chief factors will remain identified with the trotters. That is the Superintendent Harry Burgoyne, to whom so much of its success has been due. In fact, such an establishment could never have been possible without such a hand as his upon the tiller. His work, alike in its methods and its results, has been of a character unequaled and, practically, beyond praise. It is difficult to imagine either Walnut Hall without Harry Burgoyne or Burgoyne without Walnut Hall, and possibly the two may not be separated. But, whatever does transpire, we may feel sure that he will remain loyal to the trotting interests and still a worker in the field where he has accomplished so much. At least, that is our hope, and, we feel sure, that of all trotting horsemen.—Horse Review.

NOTES and NEWS

Tacoma is to have a new track.

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The Montana State Fair will be held this year during the week of September 20-25.

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A. B. Coxe has been elected to the vacancy in the directorate of the K. T. H. B. A. caused by the death of L. V. Harkness.

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Charley Todd of Portland has bought Haltamont 2:05¼ of Frank Anderson, so the speedy son of Hal B. 2:04¼ did not come to Pleasanton as was expected.

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Arizona stages the first regular meeting of the season of which we have heard, Tucson having claimed March 18-19-20 for a three-day affair.

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Tommy Murphy has purchased of John E. Madden the trotting mare Margaret Parrish 2:06¼ by Vice Commodore, eligible to all the green classes as her record was made against time.

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J. O. Keene of Lexington, who is the trainer of the Camden stable of thoroughbreds, has been spending several days on the coast, annexing a bit of pleasure and incidentally looking at some good colts here and there. ◈ ◈ ◈

Etawah 2:03¼ and Anvil 2:02¾ are to be in the stud at Castleton Farm, Lexington, this season, and if the only foal by Anvil here on the coast is a fair sample of his kind, the latter horse gives promise of becoming a great sire.

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Frank Caton, after several months of "idleness" spent in visiting his family and friends and scouting for promising material for export, has grown tired of the peaceful haunts of his boyhood and expects to start for Russia about the middle of the month.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Holbrook of Helena, Mont., are spending several weeks of the mid-winter in California, and are often among the visitors at Pleasanton Driving Park, where Mr. Holbrook has the trotter R. C. H. 2:18 in the stable of Frank and Marvin Childs. ◈ ◈ ◈

McKinney 2:11¼ ranks all living sires in point of number of performers with 193, his nearest competitor being Peter the Great 2:07¼ with 171. Onward, Gambetta Wilkes and Allerton, all gone to the range across the Jordan, are the only stallions with two hundred or over to their credit.

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John R. Dillon 2:11¼, touted as the fastest horse sired by Sidney Dillon, changed from the ownership of Dr. D. L. Peacock of Athens, Ga., to that of A. M. Watson of Thomasville recently for a consideration of $5000, Billy Andrews engineering the deal. He goes down the big line this year.

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The Minneapolis State Fair in thirty-one years has paid back in property value one dollar and seventy cents for every dollar invested by the state, and in the season of 1914 paid a profit of $12,237, a truly remarkable showing. Given the same encouragement, California would doubtless do as well—or better. ◈ ◈ ◈

Edward Peterson of Omaha, owner of Hal Boy 2:06¼, Loe Blossom 2:10½, Tom Smith 2:11¼ and Major By By 2:19¼, was expected here on the coast this week or next, to remain until after the June meeting at the P.-P. I. E., in which he will have entries in both big stakes and a number of the class races. ◈ ◈ ◈

Frank Childs, who campaigned Leata J. 2:03 and others so successfully for Mr. S. S. Bailey in recent years, will again race the horses belonging to that gentleman, having taken over the stable at present at Pleasanton the first of the month. There is some good material in the string and friends of both parties will be glad to hear of their success at the races this season.

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A Tacoma correspondent writes that the light harness game is to be given a boost at that point by the construction of a new track and that both Tacoma and Seattle are to have good meetings this season, which means much for north coast horsemen. He also states that the Puget Sound country will furnish a car of horses for the fall meeting at the P.-P. I. E., which looms as the great event in trotting circles for 1915, as it promises to be even greater than the June meeting.

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The Colorado Fair and Racing Association has nominated the classes for a new circuit for the coming season. The programs will include classes for trotting, 2:17, 3:00, free-for-all and 2:24. The pacing, 2:24, 2:15, 3:00, free-for-all, at each meeting, the dates of which are Sterling, week of August 2; Fort Morgan, week of August 9; Greely, week of August 16; Fort Collins, week of August 23; Loveland, week of August 30; Longmont, week of September 6; Pueblo, week of September 13; Casper, Wyoming, week of September 20; Douglas, Wyoming, week of September 27; Denver, week of October 4. No arrangements have been made thus far for filling the dates on the old Santa Fe circuit, which is evidently held up at the present.—Field and Farm.

The Charity Horse Show for the benefit of the People's Place is scheduled for Thursday, Friday and Saturday of next week, afternoon and evening, and the classes have filled in a manner that means much pleasure to be derived from being present.

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Childs Brothers have a new one in their stable—Jimmy Ray, the Stockton pacer by Nearest McKinney 2:13¼ out of Much Better 2:07¼ by Charles Derby 2:20. He is owned by Toombs & Frederick of Modesto and worked the Stockton track last year in 2:12, with much faster fractional distances.

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D. R. Morrison of Hemet, who recently purchased a couple of youngsters from Hemet Stock Farm, has added the free-for-all pacer Hal McKinney 2:06¼ by Hal B. 2:04¼ to the string he is training over the track at the home of Wilbur Lou. Hal McKinney was raced in the southwest by Bob Sebastian in 1914 and won in excess of two thousand dollars, incidentally setting some new records for the Oklahoma and Texas two-lap tracks while he was at it.

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Directum I 1:58 was sold early this week by James Butler to M. E. Sturges of New York city, formerly the owner of Dan Patch 1:55¼ and other famous stars. The reported price is $45,000, which is more than double the figure Mr. Sturges paid Dan Messner for the unbeaten son of Joe Patchen. The "little red hoss" was shipped immediately from Kirkwood, Del., to Poughkeepsie, where he becomes a member of the stable of Tommy Murphy, who will fit him for racing and exhibition purposes this year.

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Things are beginning to look brighter for horsemen in various localities. California promises to have a modest appropriation for district fairs, and in Nevada and Arkansas bills providing for racing commissions and pari-mutual betting have passed the branches of the legislature in which they originated, and are claimed to be in favor with the other branch and the governors of the respective states. The passing of the Nevada bill is of especial interest to California breeders, as it means a big revival in their operations.

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Henri de Redding, the pleasant young gentleman who was for some time secretary to Captain McCan at Forest Grove Farm in western Oregon and who has been a visitor in California since early in the winter, left San Francisco this week for New York, whence he will sail for his native France to offer his services to his country in the present conflict. M. de Redding's father was killed in action in Morocco while serving the tricolor, and the de Redding mansion in Paris is now doing hospital duty. He has acquired numerous friends during his residence on the coast who wish him the best of luck and a safe return some day to the land of his adoption.

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Henry Helman has recently had shipped to him for development at Salinas one of the best bred three-year-old stallions in the country, the property of a prominent Santa Rosa business man. The lad is by Frank S. Turner's good stallion Guy Dillon 2:21½, sire of Guy Borden 2:07¼, etc. and out of Carima C. by McKinney 2:11¼; second dam Adioo (dam of Harry Dillon 2:10, etc., grandam of Dillon Axworthy 2:10¼, etc.) by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼; third dam By By (dam of 3) by Nutwood 2:18¾; fourth dam Rapidan (dam of 3) by Dictator; fifth dam Madam Headley (great brood mare) by Edwin Forrest; sixth dam Madam Stanhope by Mambrino Chief; seventh, eighth and ninth dams by Hunt's Commodore, Fenwick's Copperbottom and Imp. Royalist, respectively. With the exception of Edwin Forrest, the sires represented by the first half-dozen maternal crosses have daughters that have produced 2:10 speed, and Henry thinks the lad has the making of a great horse, provided he is not just naturally too high toned to do anything but eat forty dollar oats.

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Tom Sharkey is again in California and states his intention of making his future place of residence in the Golden State if he finds the right business opening. Tom has long been a friend of the trotter and always races a few over the twice-arounds down east, and his establishment of residence in California would undoubtedly mean that he would bring out the little band of trotters that is at present at his place at Fort Ticonderoga. The Sharkey stable has been built up from one mare to the cover of members of the Bingen dynasty—Lilly Stranger 2:15¼ by Stranger 3030, a matron that has proved an exceptionally good breeder. T. S. Bingen 2:15¼, six-year-old son of Bingen, heads the stable, which also includes Tootsie Aquilin, five-year-old mare, by Aquilin 2:19¾; Tammany Aquilin, four-year-old gelding by the same son of Bingen; a three-year-old filly by Cochato 2:11½, a two-year-old stallion by Bingara and a yearling stud by Joe Dodge, the mare being at present in foal to a son of Bingara. This string of youngsters would be welcomed in California and they ought to feel "perfectly at home" here, as May King was bred at Palo Alto and the dam of Lilly Stranger is Lillian Wilkes 2:17¾, a daughter of Guy Wilkes bred by William Corbitt and famous both as a race mare and as a producing matron. Her record was made as a three-year-old in 1889 in a race at Petaluma in which she defeated Sunol (3) 2:10½ and Margaret S. (3) 2:19¼, afterwards giving birth to three performers including Guy Axworthy 2:08¾, sire of four 2:10 trotters. She was the only three-year-old that ever defeated Sunol, as the only other defeats acknowledged by the Palo Alto filly that year was administered by old Pappy Time.

There is a renewal in the contracts in the buying of export horses, for the fighting Europeans are still short of the sinews of war that go on four feet. There is no inspection or receiving at Denver just at present, says Field and Farm, but other places are doing business. A San Antonio, Texas, firm has contracted to furnish English and French governments with fifty thousand horses within six months, the first shipment of five thousand having been made prior to February 1st. Of these animals forty thousand are to be used as saddle horses, while the other ten thousand are for the artillery. Dealers estimated the available number of horses for the foreign countries of war in Texas, Oaklahoma and Colorado alone as more than one-half million. A British agent in Montana says his government will require 400,000 head of horses within the year besides the 300,000 now in the army.

A GENUINE STAKE COLT.

Anvilite, the two-year-old Anvil—Martha Spy youngster in the MacKenzie stable at Pleasanton, jogged a half with Charley DeRyder last week in 1:09, and when the big teamster got down from behind the lad he made a bee line for the office to find out just how much stake money this fellow is entered in. The farther he looked in the futurity engagement book the more interesting his search became, and here is why:

Panama-Pacific, two-year-old trot	$ 2,000
Kentucky Futurity	26,000
New York State Fair	20,000
Horseman and Spirit of the Times	20,000
Horse Review	17,500
American Horse Breeder	10,000
Matron Stake	7,000
Western Breeders	3,000
Western Horseman	10,000
Pacific Breeders	7,250
California State Fair	5,000
Pleasanton	7,500
Occident (estimated)	3,000
Stanford	2,500
Total	$140,750

Whether this lad ever gets to the races or not, he seems at first glance to have annexed a world's record right off the reel in the matter of engagements, as it is doubtful if another colt in the country today is as liberally staked. Certain it is that there are few more promising ones for his age at this time, as he is, all around, about the best youngster that ever hit Pleasanton—and a number can be recalled who hailed from there that didn't care how fast or far they went in company. He is right as right, and DeRyder has issued information to all admirers that "he'll be that way the next time you see him, too," as he is taking advantage of every ounce of information gathered in a lengthy career to get this boy to the races. There's many a slip, and so on, but right now Anvilite looks like a colt trotter of the first rank.

$2,500,000 FOR FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE.

Under the recent urgent deficiency act which was signed by the President on January 25, $2,500,000 is now available for the eradication of the foot-and-mouth disease. Up to January 1, 1915, the outbreak had cost the Federal Government a total of $2,129,-138.04. Of this sum $1,840,328.99 represents the Federal Government's share of the expense of slaughtering affected herds and reimbursing the owners for their loss, of which the Government pays half and the individual States the remainder. The figures show that exclusive of the work in January 101,176 animals have been slaughtered. Of these 46,268 were cattle, 47,735 swine, and the remainder sheep and goats.

The money now at the disposal of the Department of Agriculture will, it is believed, aid the campaign against the pestilence by enabling the Government to make prompt payment to all owners of infected herds, and thus minimize the reluctance of farmers to have their stock slaughtered. In Illinois, for example, approximately $600,000 is now available for this purpose. The loss in that State has been larger than in any other, thirty-six thousand, seven hundred fifty-eight animals, all together, having been slaughtered. Pennsylvania comes next with 17,896 animals, and Ohio third with 10,111. None of the sixteen other States in which there was an outbreak has lost as many as 8,000.

In those States in which the local quarantines have been rigidly enforced, and in which the farmers themselves have aided the authorities to stamp out the disease, satisfactory progress has been made at a smaller expense than was at one time feared. Indiana and Michigan, where the disease originated, were, for example, at first hard hit. Much of that territory is, however, now entirely freed from quarantine, and in only a small area is the movement of live stock absolutely prohibited. In Indiana 6,127 animals were slaughtered and in Michigan 7,728.

While Illinois and Pennsylvania are probably, today, the most seriously affected of all the States, there is, it is said, every reason to believe that energetic measures will stamp out the pestilence there as well as elsewhere. Although large quantities of stock have been affected already, the number up to the present is small in comparison with the total quantity in those States. In Illinois there was approximately 2,500,000 head of cattle at the beginning of the outbreak. Of those 14,653 have been slaughtered. Out of approximately 4,500,000 hogs, only 21,857 had been killed up to January 1. Of the 150,000 farms in that State about 500 have been involved.

LILY OF THE WEST, THE PRECOCIOUS STOCKTON TROTTER.

On our cover this week appears a pleasing little picture of a precocious California filly, posed for the camera by her enthusiastic owner, Ed Lavin of Stockton. Many are the railbird rumors that have emanated from the San Joaquin metropolis in days gone by about "phenoms" that had stepped that famous old oval in wonderfully fast time, the funny part of it being that the biggest part of the highly touted ones have come on and made good, and Lilly of the West has come in for a good deal of boosting ever since late last summer. Nor has her work been of the "moonlight" order, for a good many hundred people applauded her quarter in :34¾ on the day of the Jim Logan—Leata J. match, and she already has a host of admirers who wish her every possible bit of luck in living up to the pattern she set as a baby. Commenting on the Lavin-Lilly-Bunch combination the Evening Mail of Stockton recently carried the following story:

The subject of this sketch is the property of Ed Lavin, the owner of the Poodle Dog cafe, also interested in the El Dorado saloon and many other enterprises, and while owner of a $5000 automobile, he is nevertheless a great lover of horses, and being a member of the San Joaquin Valley Driving Club, it gives him great pleasure in starting his horses in all of the local matinees and driving them. He is ever ready to lend a helping hand to anything that will promote or advance the horse business and keep alive the memory of bygone days. Many records, some of them famous throughout the world, were made on Stockton's noted race track.

The name of this filly is Lilly of the West; a chestnut lassie sired by Dexter Derby 2:17¼, he by Charles Derby 2:20, sire of Klatawah 2:05½ and Jim Logan 2:05½, both records made when they were three years old. There are eight others by him in the 2:10 list.

Jim Logan's present record is 2:01¾ which is, incidentally, the race record for harness horses on the Pacific coast. The dam of Lilly of the West is Daisy O'Neal, trial 2:12, a pacer sired by Moses S., whose time is 2:19¼, he by Hawthorne, the sire of Little Thorne 2:07¾ and many other great campaigners. Moses S. 2:19¼ and Hawthorne were owned by the late L. U. Shippee, who refused $5000 for Moses S. when he was three years old, so you can see that this filly comes from a great producing family of early and extreme speed.

Lilly of the West is a very late colt, being foaled July 18, 1913, and with her breaking and training in 1914 she trotted a mile in 2:33, the last half being in 1:12 and the last quarter in 34¼ seconds. She did this a few days before she was twelve months old. The convincing part of it is that she did it with a small pair of shin boots behind. She wears a 6-ounce shoe in front with a 3-ounce toe weight and 3-ounce shoes behind. She wears a blind bridle with a little leather bit and chin strap; she goes with a low head and is a line trotter. She is game and resolute, and likes to race in company, and her ability to keep her gait without breaking is one of her best qualities. It is the claim of her trainer that she has made but five breaks in all her training.

Among the classics in which this celebrated little filly is entered is the Occident Stake and the Stanford Stake which are to be decided at Sacramento when the local product is in her three-year-old form.

"Farmer" F. C. Bunch is the trainer of this already famous filly and race horse men don't need to be told anything about Bunch. He was trainer and manager of the Vendome Stock Farm at San Jose for fourteen years and while there he developed the youngsters into rare form and saw them win the Stanford stake three times, the Occident stake once. Bunch had the satisfaction of seeing all his youngsters within the money oftener than any other trainer in the state, and it was a rare occasion indeed that his charges did not race the other entries off their feet.

In order to get a real line on the Lilly of the West all one has to do is to get "Farmer" Bunch started on the subject. Bunch expressed his confidence freely to a Mail representative today. He says that the girl will be the class in the big races she is entered in and that aside from passing under the wire ahead of all other starters she will hang up a new Pacific coast record. The record for two-year-olds stands at 2:14½, and is held by Lottie Ansel, the property of John W. Considine, owner and proprietor of the Woodland Stock Farm at Woodland.

Lottie Ansel made her record on the Stockton track two years ago at the Breeders' meeting when she won the Breeders' Futurity stake for two-year-old trotters. She was driven in the record heat by Walter Maben of Los Angeles.

Lilly of the West will be a starter in the two-year-old trot at the fall meeting at the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco, and on that occasion she is expected to meet the best youngsters in the world. Bunch says the little filly is being prepared for hard contests and that as she has the speed, temperament and grit, there is no reason why she will not land the rich stake. The horse is receiving the best of care at the hands of Jack Phagan, who looked after Leata J. 2:03 when she beat Jim Logan 2:01¾ and Don Pronto 2:02¼ at the State Fair in Sacramento last summer. Phagan has cared for other speedy ones and he is confident that the little one now under his care will be the sensation of the age.

Race horse men who have seen Lilly of the West in action say that Lavin has the speediest and liveliest prospect that ever trained at the Stockton track and they are giving him much praise for the way he is putting the youngster forward, because her every success means additional fame to the local track.

Carlokin and Copa de Oro

With the retirement of Carlokin and Copa de Oro to the stud after the close of the racing season of 1910, when by their performances they had earned the stamp of championship, William G. Durfee advanced the claim that they had every right to equal as sires the fame that they had gained as race horses, and subsequent developments have proved that Mr. Durfee had a pretty good idea of what he was talking about. Neither horse had served but very few mares until well along toward the close of their racing careers, and not until the summer of 1912 did either obtain a standard performer. From that time, however, the growth of their number of representatives has been steady and convincing, and



CARLOKIN 2:07½.

today they are well established in public esteem through the exceptionally excellent performances of their get.

Carlokin 2:07½, selected by Mr. Durfee as the one son of McKinney he desired to own to cement the link that has existed between two generations of the families of Durfee and McKinney, is out of what was undoubtedly one of the very best matrons ever bred to the son of Alcyone and Rosa Sprague—Carlotta Wilkes by Charley Wilkes 2:21¾. Her produce include ten standard performers, and to the cover of four different stallions — Inferna, Sidney Dillon, Guy Dillon and McKinney — she produced campaigners that achieved records faster than 2:08, the average time of the four—Inferlotta, Mary Dillon, Guy Borden and Carlokin—being 2:06.44. Carlotta Wilkes herself came from a line of prolific dams, her first and second maternal ancestors being producing daughters of Alcantara 2:23 and Clark Chief 89, both of whom are generously represented in fast company through the produce of their daughters.

Once the Carlokin youngsters attained training age they were not long in demonstrating their qualities, and in 1912 five trotters and one pacer achieved standard records, evenly divided between time and race performances, while in 1913 began their assaults upon coast trotting classics that have been so successful in establishing their fame as colt trotters. John Warwick won first money in the two-year-old trotting division of the Breeders Futurity and second money in the State Fair Futurity, while Esperanza won the State Fair and Oregon Futurities and annexed second money in the Breeders Futurity and the Canfield-Clark Stake. In 1914 Esperanza established a new record for three-year-old trotters on this coast, both in point of time made and events won, as she raced to a record of 2:10 and made a clean sweep of every classic for her age, while Nicola B. (2) 2:23½ looked after the family interests in the two-year-old trots by winning second money in the Breeders Futurity and first in the Oregon event. Nor were these the only ones of the clan to share in the division of the 1914 stake money, as Ethel D. (3) 2:11 and Carl (2) 2:19¾ both earned money in their engagements. Altogether, the Carlokins in the two seasons just passed have won more money in coast futurities than have the get of any other two stallions, which is a most remarkable showing in itself. The family inclination is to trot and trot early, for of the nineteen Carlokins in the list, all are colt performers and all but four are trotters.

Carlokin has had quite a bit of advantage over his stable mate in the growth of his representation in the great table, as he has a considerably greater number of living foals, but the Copa de Oros are developing as convincingly at the pace as are the Carlokins at the diagonal way of going, and it is doubtful if the get of any young sire have surpassed the speed shown by the Copa de Oro three-year-olds in 1914. So far as is known there were but three youngsters of this age in training last season, and in every instance they showed speed well on the faster side of 2:10. Contention B. in a public exhibition at Phoenix, in which he was considerably at a disadvantage from several existing conditions, equaled the three-year-old pacing gelding mark of Hemet 2:08¼, which stood as the world's record at that time, and trialed in his work in 2:07¼. Chango (3) 2:12¼ trialed in 2:09 and did a good job in his various engagements, pacing the most consistent race of any of the starters in the Breeders Futurity, and winning the Oregon event, the pacing division of the State Fair Futurity, and the three-year-old pace at Phoenix. Patrick de Oro, taken to Canada by Jim Stewart, closed his campaign with a record of having won his every start, and worked one of the two-lap prairie tracks in 2:08¼, so that the evidence that the Copa de Oros are endowed with natural and extreme speed is convincing in the highest degree.

Copa dé Oro 2:01 is the fastest son of Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ and, like Carlokin, has for his dam a matron of exceptional merit—Atherine 2:15¾, dam of Rags 2:09¼ (whose performances in coast futurities nearly rival those of Esperanza), Stalene 2:21¼, Crescendo B. trial 2:12¾, and Nicola B., a stake



COPA DE ORO 2:01

winner already noted. Atherine is a daughter of Patron 2:14¼ and the great brood mare Athene by Harold, second dam Minerva, a double producer by Pilot Jr. 12, so that, to the fancy of very many students of speed producing pedigrees, Copa de Oro is one of the very best—if not the best—bred of the two-minute pacers.

As usual, these two great race horses and sires will be in service during the season of 1915 at Exposition Park, Los Angeles, and persons wishing to breed mares to them may obtain all further desired information concerning them, their get, or their terms of service by addressing Mr. Durfee at his home, 2019 South Figueroa Street.

THOSE INDIANA PACERS.

For many years Indiana has occupied an enviable position in the light harness horse world, due largely to the extreme speed shown by the pacers within its borders. Each season the statistics add to the glory of the Hoosier State and it will be a source of pleasure to horsemen in general to know that Indiana leads all other states in the number of new 2:05 pacers for the season of 1914.

Just nineteen pacers were added to the select 2:05 list and of this number the records show five were bred in Indiana. Tennessee, famous on account of the wonderful showing of the Hal family, is second with three; Kentucky, Ohio and California are credited with two each; While Pennsylvania, Montana, Virginia, Iowa and New Hampshire have contributed one each. It will be noted that the Hoosier State leads by a safe majority.

The fastest new 2:05 pacer contributed by Indiana this year is Possibility 2:02¾, the chestnut son of Newtown Boy, campaigned by S. F. Palin of Russiaville; then comes Fay Richmond 2:03¼, Mort Lane's pupil; Billy M. 2:03¾, trained by William Sweeney; Jaystone 2:04¼, a grand circuit winner for W. L. Snow; and John D. 2:04½, one of the best geldings that ever raced.

It is a significant fact that the blood of the old time Indiana pacing families is prominent in the best horses of the year. Possibility, undoubtedly a two-minute performer under favorable circumstances, traces in the male line to the Hoosier family founder, Bald Hornet, famed throughout the length and breadth of the state as a race horse and sire. Newtown Boy, the son of Venture 2:09, that sired Possibility, also sired Billy M. 2:03¾ and Doctor M. 2:06¼, a pacer that barely escaped the 2:05 list. In the maternal line Possibility and Billy M. are bred closely akin, their dams having been sired by Pocohontas Boy, a representative of a successful line of Indiana pacing blood.—Horseman.

HARRY DEVEREUX ON JOHN H. SHULTS AND DOC TANNER.

The recent passing of that good friend of the trotter, John H. Shults, calls to mind a certain incident in his sales ring career that will do no harm for the telling. Many of us know how eager he always was to tackle an abstruse problem and that nothing delighted him more than to get hold of a mean horse and practice his Rarey methods on the animal, for even when quite an old man he prided himself on his strength, which was unusual, and on his practices for subduing the temper of a wilful horse.

At one of the Fasig-Tipton Old Glory sales in New York some years ago Charles Tanner had in his consignment a pacing mare named Sunland Belle. She was an ex-hobbled bird and it took a large amount of gray matter on Tanner's part to get her to go square and stick to it. He finally succeeded and she acquired a matinee wagon record of 2:07½, the fastest in its day. Her owner sent her to one of the Old Glory sales and, attracted by the record, another of Tanner's clients purchased her. As she was not good enough to compete with others this man had, back to the sales she went and her return there, being so soon after the first sale of her, Tanner figured she would get a black eye and be sacrificed. He was, as it happened, in the mare's box stall underneath the Garden sale ring, when he espied the good natured gentleman, Mr. Shults, approaching. He sent the boy care-taker away on a hurried errand and as Mr. Shults came up, Tanner had the mare by the halter jerking her about in the stall. She was so entirely willing to follow him that she almost stepped on him and while he jerked he was talking to her in no complimentary words and rather violent language.

"What have you there?" asked Mr. Shults, at once interested.

Tanner did not answer him at once, being apparently out of breath and very angry. The amateur horse tamer got more interested and Doc told the mare in strong terms that if he owned her he would break her back or neck or something. Finally Mr. Shults got her number and looked her up in his catalog. She was a handsome mare, well bred, sound and the record looked good. When she was led into the sale ring, Mr. Shults was so close to her heels, if she had kicked she would have hit him, and in his hands he held a cord. When the bidding began he could not bid fast enough and raised his own bid a time or two, finally getting her for about $3,500. As soon as George Bain said "Sold," Mr. Shults stepped up and proceeded to put his cord on her ready for a tussle but the mare was so willing to go with him he had to hurry out of her way. It was not long before he saw the joke and he thoroughly enjoyed it. He and Tanner joked about it many times.

This reminds me of another sale ring story in which Tanner exercised his wits. A client of his had purchased Praytell 2:09½ for a long price, to use in matinee work. The horse had a great turn of speed and could brush a quarter in better than at 30 seconds which was unusual in those days. The mile was a bit long for him, however, but for a half he could beat any trotter. His owner sent him to the Old Glory sale and told Doc he hoped he would not lose too much on him. He was a good fellow and Doc wanted to get him out if he could. When he reached New York, he issued a defi to any Speedway horse that could be produced for a month on the Speedway and caused to be published, as well as announced when the horse was sold that whatever amount the horse should bring he would leave in the hands of Fasig-Tipton to cover in part or whole, an equal amount any daring owner desired to put up that Praytell could not beat any horse on the Speedway. Before the horse was offered, one of the many men to be found in New York who have clients on their staff ready to buy horses, came to Doc and ried to effect a private sale. This man said he had a client who would pay $3,500 for Praytell but that he (the agent) must have $500. Doc told him the horse was entered in the sale to go to the highest bidder and that was where he was going to be sold and he added: "If your client wants the horse tell him to dig deep for I have one that will give $5,000." This was a bit on the bluff order but Doc had learned that William Rockefeller and the late General Brayton Ives were interested in the horse and knowing that predilection to buy any one they wanted without regard to price, he felt sure of some good bidders.

Praytell was a sound horse but he had one very large wind-puff that was an eye-sore. Seeing Mr. Robert Bonner circulating about among the crowd the day Praytell was to be sold, Doc had an inspiration. He went downstairs to the horse's box stall and waited. Before long Mr. Bonner came along and spoke to Doc, asking what horse this was. Doc told him, giving him all the good points and telling him the horse could beat any horse ever owned by Mr. Bonner that ever raced on the Speedway. Doc also said that he expected Mr. Rockefeller or General Ives would buy him. He then called Mr. Bonner's attention to the puff and said, "They tell me you can take them off by shoeing properly but I don't believe you can, for I have tried everything." Thereupon ensued an argument. Mr. Bonner insisted he could shoe the horse so the puff would disappear and Doc goaded him on by expressing not only disbelief but ridicule. That night the horse was put up for sale and Mr. Bonner was so afraid he would lose him that he got on the steps just back of auctioneer Bain, meeting every other man's bid promptly and finally getting the horse, as I recollect, for about $5,100.

His future history so far as the puff is concerned, I have no knowledge of, but it is nice to think that perhaps Mr. Bonner at least reduced it through his witchery in shoeing.

Friend Doc figures in another good horse story that I believe never has been told in full. In 1899 there appeared at the Cleveland Grand Circuit meeting a horse from the "Show Me" state which started in a class race. He was a soft bay gelding, owned and manipulated by a very shrewd farmer horseman. Said gelding was about 16 hands, a rakish, good-looking chap and Doc's eagle eye photographed him on his mind at once, as a specimen to watch. Outside the horse himself, there was little connected with the outfit to hold one's attention although some things to attract it. The sulky, sans varnish or paint, was of the ancient vintage and the entire turn-out in keeping, including harness and driver, from whiskers to clothes.

When Colonel Edwards sent them on their journey for the first heat, the big bay, attractive going Missouri product began to eat up space like a real champion. His driver did not seem to care to go very near the inside fence. Maybe it was a case covered by a little ode dedicated to our good friend Chandler by one of the wits of the turf, like Walter Cox or Dick McMahon, which goes like this:

"To draw the pole is bad,
Second horse place worse,
The overland route for mine—
Safety first."

However it seems to me that Sagwa was driven in that heat as Bob Proctor used to drive Uhlan against the 2:08 birds, when he could trot in 2:05, all except at the finish. It was a finish that plainly evidenced the fact that Mr. W. R. Carter, his owner, felt to finish third was good enough for him and his nag from Missouri. The judges did not agree with him, however, and before the next heat called him to the stand. His explanation so fitted his entire make-up and was so cleverly put that he won Colonel Edwards' heart and he was permitted to continue to drive his horse which he was careful not to get too close to the front again.

Doc could not get the yellow bay out of his mind but he said nothing to anybody about him. At that time he was training a matinee stable at the old Glenville track and that fall he drew from the bank, in currency, a large sum of money and started on a gum shoe trip to Missouri. His story of getting to Mexico, driving with a farmer a long way through desolate country at night, the farmer regaling him with stories of old-fashioned road bandits and desperae characters, is most amusing and while Doc's hair raised, he kept his hand on his roll, vowing to die game but to save the money. The trip ended in his buying the horse and shipping him to Cleveland.

When he got the gelding home he began to pull the cockle burrs from his mane and tail and remove a few inches of the month's growth from his feet. Soon he had him "Tannerized" and the talk about the track was Tanner's new horse. He was entered in the Old Glory sale that fall and the story that went with him was not a poor one by any means. perate characters, is most amusing and while Doc's plan was to cinch the horse up with some fast miles and then invite the wise boys out to time him publicly. During this preliminary operation, Dr. Sprengle and I sat in the long-distance judges' stand timing the horse. Doc had him hooked to a Toomey cart, one of the old-fashioned kind fitted with a long spring to the seat and weighing about seventy pounds or more. The horse wore bell quarter boots with a large stuffed kid roll at the top. Just opposite us, Doc called on the horse and tapped him with his whip. He was trotting awfully fast and at the whip tap he seemed to make an extra stride. Then something happened. The front end of the horse went down and the cart and Doc went up. The horse and the cart stopped after making a couple of somersaults but Doc continued to ascend in a most beautiful parabolic curve, reaching the apex at what seemed a hundred feet high and descending on an equally symmetrical curve, he hit the track on the side of his head and his right shoulder. The horse did not get up—neither did Doc. Sprengle and I ran to him and as he was lying partially on his side, the doctor rolled him over on his back. As he did so there was a gasp from his lungs and he lay there, we thought a dead man, with his eyes open but the pupils turned back so that only the whites showed. The Missouri Whirlwind was equally as still. We had the wreckage cleared away and the story that goes with this is interesting but perhaps had best not be told. The shock occasioned by the fall of the horse made Dr. Sprengle stop his watch and we figured that had the horse continued to the wire at the same rate he had reached the long distance, he would have finished the mile in from 2:06 to 2:07. Some trotter, that!

This accident precluded any further public demonstration of the ability of the horse but his greatness was well established through friend Tanner's advertising.

Comes one day to Cleveland, a few weeks prior to the sale, a man named Gray, a buyer for Thomas W. Lawson, and negotiates with Doc for the horse at private sale. He begged and pleaded but to all his offers Doc turned a deaf ear and answered that the horse was entered in the Old Glory sale in good faith and had been well advertised by the sales firm and positively would go there and to the highest bidder if he only brought a dollar. Doc took Mr. Gray to his train and Gray made one last effort, saying: "Doc, let me have the horse. I will fix it up with the sale firm and give you ten thousand dollars for him." "No," said the unbendable Doc, and so Sagwa went to the sale and Thomas Lawson paid $7,500 for him (or thereabouts), later dubbing him "Doc Tanner's Gold Brick."

I am sure the name was a misnomer, unless applied to his color. Sagwa never seemed the same gaited or same acting horse. Maybe his accident accounts for it but I saw him do two things that make me knew he was an extremely fast horse—his work out the day he fell and his first heat, or rather parts of it, in the race at Cleveland.—Breeders' Journal.

FORESTRY SERVICE IMPROVING RANGE CONDITIONS.

That at least one-twentieth of all the stock bred on the open range of the west dies before it reaches market age and that much of this loss can be stopped is shown by results reported from the national forests, says a bulletin recently issued by the Forest Service, U. S. Department of Agriculture. This waste is said to add millions of dollars to the people's meat bill and gives one more cause of the high cost of living. Winter storms and summer droughts strew the ranges with the bones of cattle and sheep; predatory animals take a heavy toll; poisonous plants sometimes kill half the animals in a herd almost over night. Cattle contract anthrax, blackleg and other diseases, get stuck in bog holes, slip off slick hillsides; and sheep pile up and die of suffocation. Insects which madden and kill swell the total losses as do a multitude of other minor causes of death and injury.

If any of the animals to be grazed upon a national forest seem to be suffering from disease, the stock is subjected to a rigid inspection by the federal bureau of animal industry before it is allowed to enter the forest. If an animal grazing on the forest develops suspicious symptoms the permittee is requested to remove it. The carcasses of animals dying from infectious or communicable disease must be buried or burned, preferably the latter. To protect their stock against blackleg permittees are encouraged to use vaccine furnished free by the department of agriculture. Sheep suffering from scab or from lip or leg diseases are barred from the forests until they have been treated in conformity with the requirements of the bureau of animal industry. This co-operation between the two bureaus has made it possible to keep the forest ranges remarkably free from all forms of stock disease.

The settlement and development of the west does not appear to have greatly reduced the number of animals which prey upon domestic live stock, and the loss from that source alone runs into the millions of dollars each year. Within the forests, however, the number of domestic animals killed has been appreciably reduced by the campaign against wild animals waged by the officers of the service. During the past eight years forest officers have killed over thirty-five thousand predatory animals, consisting of coyotes, wolves, bear, mountain lion, wild cats, lynx, and so forth.

The losses due to poisonous plants have been in the aggregate the most numerous and the most difficult to guard against. Stockmen knew generally that certain flats or valleys or hillside slopes could not be used for grazing without heavy losses of stock, but there was much doubt as to what caused the loss. Gradually it was determined that the losses were due to various species of plants. Later, it was learned that in most instances these plants while extremely poisonous during certain periods of the year, were comparatively innoxious during the remainder of the grazing season. The forest officers determined the various species which cause death or injury of live stock, the periods during which each species is dangerous, and the areas of forest land upon which the plants are sufficiently abundant to cause losses of stock. The next step was to devise ways and means of preventing the losses. Where definite information is obtainable the outer limits of the poison areas are marked by warning placards which give the name of the poisonous plant, the kind of stock to which it is injurious, and the period during which it is most harmful. With this warning, stockmen are enabled to so handle their stock as to prevent the occupancy of the poison area during its danger period. In cases where the areas of poisonous plants are comparatively small, the permittees have been encouraged to fence them, material for fence construction being furnished free of charge by the forest service. The result of this work has been to reduce the number of animals lost through poisonous plants as compared to the numbers lost several years previously.

Notwithstanding all precautions which may be taken against stock poisoning, losses from this source must be expected. During the past several years the bureau of plant industry has been making a study of poisonous plants and of antidotes. In the case of larkspur, for example, the bureau has determined methods of treatment which are reasonably successful, under normal conditions. The only difficulty has been that the animals suffering from poison are generally out upon the open range and may not be observed by their owner until it is too late to apply an antidote. The forest service has therefore arranged to meet this situation in an experimental way by equipping a limited number of rangers with hypodermic syringes and the necessary chemicals. Armed with this equipment, a forest officer can in a few moments administer a treatment which may save a $40 steer.

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GOSSIP FOR SPORTSMEN.

Upland shooters are in accord generally upon the merits of proposed legislation for the protection of that grand game bird, the California valley quail. The claim has been made, and with good reason, that the birds are growing scarcer every year, and have almost disappeared in some sections. Where hunters could go out in the hills and get fifty and more quail in a day's shooting years ago, these same coverts will not produce a dozen birds now. Nearby quail hunting grounds have been almost shot out, and quail hunters must go farther and farther every season to reach ground where enough birds for the day's sport can be found, and this applies to many other districts in this State.

The settlement and clearing-up of big sections of land throughout the State where quail were once plentiful has been one cause of the growing scarcity of quail, rendering less and less each year the area of feeding and breeding grounds. The question of protecting the birds in close season as well as during the open shooting months has also become rather complex, according to the game wardens and deputies. The territory to be patrolled is so large and the use of the automobile so general that hundreds of quail can be shot at any season of the year without anyone being the wiser.

In some sections young half-grown birds have been regularly shot weeks before the legal shooting season opened. The increase of farming and ranching operations has been much responsible for decreasing the supply of quail. The natural covers have been destroyed, and the birds have in great measure lost their chosen hiding places, where when the gunners are numerous, they can find safe refuge. Automobiles afford easy access for hunters to comb distant or near quail territory—a score of gunners in the course of the shooting season visit shooting grounds where there was one shooter several years ago. The "sooners" are also much responsible for inroads on the quail crop. In some sections of the State, particularly in one or two southern counties, never for many years past were so many birds killed out of season as during the past year. That is the report given out by men who live in the hill country and who are familiar enough with bird life to know when a bevy of quail has been shot up.

The proposed cutting down of the daily bag from twenty to fifteen and from 140 to thirty per week to the individual gun has general support among the sportsmen. Cutting down the open season to two months is decidedly not regarded with approval.

Cutting down the open quail season to two months, it is claimed, will not help the situation at all. The ground vermin and natural enemies of the birds will have all the more opportunity to work unmolested.

Another view of the situation is taken by sportsmen who have young dogs that they desire to train. Two months a year is not adequate time in which to work a field dog.

So far as the proposed changes in the quail seasons or bag is concerned, we can go back for nearly 20 years and remember that at nearly every session of the legislature "changes in the quail laws" were submitted. As a result the pages of the statute books have been literally stuffed with game laws—most of them inefficient and the balance practically a dead letter.

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The wild fowl shooting season came to a close in this State last Sunday. Bay counties sportsmen who were out for a parting salute at the broadbills were handicapped all day long by a drenching rain.

A week prior duck hunters who were out in the bay counties marshes were also under ban of a heavy rain. Birds were not overly plentiful and in rather poor table condition. The bay ducks, "cans" and "blueys," have been found thin and leathery in taste recently, other varieties are also in poor condition compared to the birds shot earlier in the season. Los Banos held good for limit bags of sprig and spooneys; teal were the most numerous, however, in that section. R. C. Prather and several friends shot limit strings at the Gadwell Club preserve. Alex Shields, Jack Wirtner, Ned Bosqui, Nat Boas, J. E. Coleman, and other members of the Field and Tule Club, were also in the limit class. Dick Reed, L. Middleton of this city, with Bob Richards of Tonopah, shot teal limits at Billy Sears' ground. Ted Riley, George Smith and O. O. Orr's two days' shoot was for a full tally. H. Woods and H. Newhall of Modesto were also limit shooters.

The closing days for the Suisun gunners have not been productive of limit straps. At Green Lodge, W. W. Richards, Dave Hearfield, Harlow Bancroft, and George Emmons have enjoyed a fair average on sprig, mallard and widgeon. Amby Buckley's vigil in the Tulle Belle Club blinds was satisfactory. Volante Gun Club members and other Joyce island gunners have not been pestered by big flights of birds the past week.

Near Gridley, Frank Ruhstaller, Frank Newbert and other Sacramento sportsmen have found ducks—mostly mallards—very plentiful. Good duck and goose shooting has been available near Woodland. Contractor Little's two-day visit was rewarded with limits of sprig and widgeon.

Otto Feudner and Charles C. Huber have recently found the snipe patches on the Newman Gun Club preserve stocked with enough English snipe for limit shoots. The present season has not been overly prolific in well-filled snipe bags, the weather conditions having been generally unfavorable.

East shore bay shooting was very indifferent for a fortnight past.

Members of the Chiquita Gun Club, whose preserve is located a few miles below Collinsville, have had fair shooting recently. A. G. Hebgen, F. E. Doussick, N. W. Sexton and F. F. Finch bagged enough sprig and mallard last Sunday to make the trip enjoyable, and a few English snipe were also grassed. Honker geese have also been plentiful in that region. Farther up the river near Rio Vista, ducks and geese were very numerous, and many limits have been shot.

Petaluma and Sonoma creek gunners last Sunday were up against rainy weather and the birds had scattered far from that district.

Harry Leap and other gunners have had fair shooting near Hamlet recently. The Point Reyes marsh has rendered good mallard shooting at times. Black sea brant are still plentiful in Tomales bay, but have been wary and hard to get within range.

Quite a delegation of Alameda marsh gunners put in the last day of the season at various shooting resorts. Down Alviso way on Sunday previous the general average for many gunners was about half a dozen ducks, mostly canvasbacks. George Franzen, Pete Swansen and other members of the Skyscraper Club, put in a non-satisfactory day at the big salt ponds. Dr. W. O. Ogle picked up a limit of fat bluebills during a mid-week visit to the club blinds.

Dr. Cornwall, Ed Doud, Joe Lobala, Dan Ritchie and other gunners, who shot along the lower Alviso sloughs, gathered few birds.

Birds were few at most of the Alvarado, Mt. Eden and other shooting ponds. Tony Korbell, Jack Connelly, Charles H. Kewell and other Arden Gun Club shooters, had no trouble in carrying the few spooneys shot near the Coyote hills. Other gunners in that district were also in poor luck.

The lower bay off Redwood shore has not been deserted by the big flocks of canvasback and other ducks. The birds, however, rested on the water in comparative safety, out of reach of a small fleet of scull boat gunners.

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The hills a few miles back of San Mateo, near the water company reserve, were found well stocked with quail by Harold Ladd. That section is heavily covered with brush and is hard to hunt in.

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Steelhead fishermen will be pleased to hear that big runs of these salt water trout have been seen going up different coast streams recently. The rains have filled the lagoons and creeks and enabled the fish to run upstream to spawn. A week ago a large run of quinat salmon started up the San Lorenzo river and steelhead trout are now beginning to go up that favorite Santa Cruz fishing water.

A shipment of fifteen boxes of steelhead trout, about a ton and a half in weight, was held up by Fish Commission deputies last week and sent back to the shippers, the Melarky Fish Company, Portland, Ore.

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Striped bass fishermen out Sunday before last on San Antone slough were lucky in several instances. Emil Accret picked up an 8-pound fish, Hugh Draper a 6-pounder, Frank Marcus another 6-pound bass. Bob Sangster's catch was five bass, scaling from five to twelve pounds. All of which goes to show that the sport is getting better in that creek. Some of the rodsters used clamnecks for bait, others bullheads and herrings; all effective, it seems. Last Sunday it rained cats and dogs.

Louis Gotthelf landed three nice bass while fishing near the Napa and Santa Rosa railroad drawbridge, his fish weighing 6, 10 and 15 pounds, respectively, taken with bullhead baited hooks. Harvey Harmon and other rodsters were in line for numerous "strikes," but the fish broke away from the tackle.

A duck shooter, in a blind on Petaluma creek, near Black Point, is reported to have landed a large striped bass in a rather novel manner. He attached a baited hook to one of his wooden duck decoys. A fish came along and gobbled the bait, the hunter then gobbled the fish.

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San Mateo shore fishing near Moss Beach last Sunday was first class, big strings of sea trout being caught by many fishermen. Jack Duckell, Terry Evans, Shorty Walthers and others were in the scrimmage for the sea fish. Red Snapper fishing, at the reef off Princeton, has only been so-so recently.

Quite a number of unterrified fishermen were at the Fort Point sea wall last Sunday. Good catches were taken until about 11 o'clock a. m., when the downpour drove the saltwater fishermen to shelter.

THE DACHSHUNDE AS A HUNTER.

In justice to a so-called "old man's dog," or freak, at least these are a few of the misnomers that I have heard the dachshunde called by those who do not know the use of this breed or his ability to do things that he is fitted for, I will give an account of a hunting trip I had this season in Virginia, states E. A. Stone, a well known Southern sportsman.

"I have eight couple of dachshunde that I have had great pleasure with hunting rabbits, and I dare say it is the only pack of working dachshundes in this country, but if there is another I would be very glad to hear from the owner, and would be pleased to arrange a match. But this, of course, is not the work of the dachshund.

I left Norfolk with a party of ten for a hunting trip up the James river; we had provisions for a week and eight dogs, which made a good load for our boat. We sailed about fifteen miles above Jamestown Island, where we put up our camp on the plantation of Mr. Bradley, over whose land we intended to hunt.

It was dark when we finished making camp, after which the cook served us a good supper, then we sat around the fire and rested until about twelve o'clock, when we started on a coon and 'possum hunt with four coon dogs that belonged to a negro we had along—the dogs were recommended to us as very fine.

The other four dogs we had along were dachshunde that we intended to use on rabbits and squirrels, and were left at the camp when we started out.

We were not away from the camp more than twenty minutes before the dogs had found the trail of our first 'possum, and before they had put him up a tree we heard the voices of two strange dogs in the pack, and much to our surprise, after going up to the tree, we found Heine and Schlitz, two of the dachshunde we had left at the camp. They had heard the other dogs baying and leaving camp went to them.

Taking turns with the axe it did not take long to fell the tree, but when it began to fall the 'possum jumped to a smaller tree, which one of the boys climbed in an effort to shake the 'possum out. We held the large dog so that we could get him alive, forgetting about the dachshunde, and the second Mr. 'Possum hit the ground Heinie and Schlitz were upon him, but we choked them off in time to save the 'possum.

Of course, the 'possum will not put up any kind of a fight, but as I raised both of these dogs, I know that they never before this time had seen a 'possum, which goes to show they are game. If it had been a coon, no doubt they would have received a good licking before the other dogs could come to their assistance, all of which taught me in the future to hold them when a coon was up a tree.

Before the night was over they proved to be, with the exception of one of the larger dogs, the only coon and 'possum dogs we had with us; of the other three large dogs, one was a puppy, another insisted upon running rabbits and the other dog we could not get to hunt until the other dogs gave tongue, then he would go to them; but he was valuable because he was true and would never open up until he was sure the game was treed.

What seemed to the rest of the party the most wonderful part of all was how these two short-legged little dachshunde could hunt in company with the big dogs, and as well as I know the virtues of the breed I can't say that I do either, unless it was as one of the party said, they caught the large dog by the tail and he carried them along with him. Nevertheless, we got two 'possum and one coon the first night and the two little dogs could be heard upon every trail with their large cousin.

We hunted the dachshunde days on rabbits and squirrels and Heinie and Schlitz hunted 'possum and coon nights; their endurance was remarkable, but they could not have lasted another day after our week's trip because when I got them home poor Heinie was in such bad shape from briars and fatigue that for two days he could hardly get around, and their feet were swollen up like puff-balls.

I do not know the number of rabbits and squirrels we bagged, but we got eight 'possum and seven coon on the trip. The dachshunde won the heart of nine new converts, who will swear by the breed for gameness and hunting ability. In fact it cost me two of my best dogs because my friends all wanted one as a present, but my heart was so swelled with pride that I could not part with more than two.

Now, when I hear some of the tales that the present owners tell of the feats of these little dogs, I blush with modesty because I would not dare tell some of the tales they do, for fear of being disbelieved, nevertheless they are true.

Every breed of dogs has its virtues but it is the unexpected things, things that you think are out of their line, which, when they do accomplish them, make you love and admire a breed.

Therefore, I feel justified in telling those who do not know the dachshunde when they ask me what he is good for, I say anything, and when I read that they are used by the German Red Cross to locate wounded, I do not think I am taking in too much territory."

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Striped bass fishing is also beginning to pick up in Corte Madera slough, near Greenbrae. The bass fishing in that creek will improve from now on, if the experience of past seasons is anything to bank on.

CANVASBACK.

When the leaden clouds and the sweeping, swishing rainstorms of our late fall have taken the place of the golden sunshine and azure skies of early September; when the browns and golds of the once-flaming woods are deadening to dull grays; when the parched land has had its fill of moisture and the great rivers are slowly rising, and shallow ponds are forming in all the depressions and rough gullies of the lowlands; then it is that a few lordly canvasback, the forerunners of hosts to come, begin to make their appearance on our reed-fringed ponds and broad bays, and in our winding sloughs. Hundreds of miles from the far north they come, swinging southward away from the white winter in increasing numbers day by day, to spend the stormy days and months with thousands of their web-footed brethren along our shores and in our broad marshes. Every day of the advancing rainy season finds more of them with us, until when two weeks of our calendar winter have passed they form the majority of the birds in the bay portions of our State where aquatic feathered folk congregate.

Most of the ducks we are familiar with—widgeon, teal, golden-eye, blue-bill, gadwall, mallard, sprigtail and spoonbill—precede the canvasback in our marshes and markets; but when the sportsmen's strap-loads begin to show here and there the white back or red head of a great drake "can," a commotion starts that runs through the entire ducking fraternity—from the man who shoots from his comfortable blind over decoys on a baited, private pond, to the fellow who braves a wetting on a tossing, wind-swept bay in a small skiff for a chance to scull within gunshot of a dozen birds. For, although our coast canvasback are not up to the table standard set by their valisneria-fed brethren of the Chesapeake, they are still highly edible, except when they have been living on shellfish diet in shallow bay waters for some weeks; further, they are the largest and most imposing of all our ducks, and the man who kills a string of canvasback ducks gets a much wider hearing than he who only brings home ducks. Not necessarily among old sportsmen who know the true value of every game bird, but among those who judge the wiliness of a bird by its price on a menu.

The old sportsmen would only give him half the credit for a string of canvasback that they would give him for the same number of little teal or bright mallard. For the canvasback is often a foolish bird, and when a gunner is once in the line of flight it is no trick for him to bag the large birds in numbers. They decoy perhaps more readily than any other duck, and when their attention is once fixed on the lures it takes a marked lack of caution to drive them out of shot. In fact, over a baited pond when an evening flight was on I have kneeled in open sight of my decoys, some twenty yards from them, and killed bird after bird. And I have seen several of the unhit birds of a flock which has pitched to the decoys and been shot at, settle in the water with a surprised air long enough to give one who was so inclined an opportunity to shoot them on the sit. Not once have I seen this, but several times. And I have seen a man with a small bore rifle kill almost an entire flock of feeding canvasbacks without a single bird taking alarm. He simply waited for them to dive and the last bird to decide to go in search of a meal found himself suddenly in no need of one. But when I say that a canvasback is a fool I only mean comparatively—he learns in time to care for himself and when he does learn somebody else plays the fool. But the great majority still know nothing.

I thoroughly enjoy canvasback shooting, because when my strap is filled I have a bunch of the most sought after game birds of our coast—and then maybe because the canvasback is not the hardest bird in the world to hunt. I honestly admit than an all-day tramp for two quail, or a seven-hour hunt for a jack-snipe does not particularly appeal to me. I am somewhat of a depraved creature who enjoys results—lawful results obtained in a legal manner.

I like to once or twice during the season obtain a limit bag of birds. I can remember distinctly the shortest time it took me to kill my limit, then fifty, of canvasbacks. It was on a private preserve in southern Sonoma county, a great wheat ranch of some four thousand acres of reclaimed land, surrounded and traversed by tule-fringed sloughs. One of these, about three-quarters of a mile in length, which ran across the ranch, contained the heavily baited ponds over which we shot. There were no tides in it, the water being controlled by a great flood gate. It was deepest at the west end and here the canvasback blinds were hidden in the tules which were thickly ranked along either bank, looking from a distance like brown walls rising from the newly-sown fields. About a half mile from the blinds was the duck house, where scores of different kinds of decoys and several boats were kept in order by a keeper. This man also put out wheat in the ponds for the birds every evening and kept off trespassers, as well as setting out the decoys for the gunners and acting as instructor for any green hand. The keeper lived at the farmhouse set down behind a large broad dike, alongside of the slough-like Sonoma creek Here the visiting sportsmen put up, and many a time I dressed and undressed winter mornings and nights in that house by the light furnished by natural gas from a well in the back of the barn. But, although they have a great convenience in the natural gas, they are handicapped by a lack of drinking water, the solution from the wells being too salty to be palatable. All of their aqua pura is importel from external points.

It was a Saturday noon we arrived at the "island" on the hunt I have in mind, and when we had climbed into our shooting togs and were eating lunch, the keeper came in and assured us that the prospects for an excellent evening flight of "cans" were never better. No one had shot over the ponds for seven days and he had been feeding the birds continually. With the outlook for a good shoot ahead of us it was hard work to wait until even two o'clock in the afternoon before we made our way to the blinds. But when we were finally comfortably ensconced in the shooting boxes our impatience had its reward in the form of a tiresome two-hour wait for the flight—for, with the exception of a few ruddy ducks and numberless black coots that skittered away at our approach, nothing had been on the ponds when we arrived. About four o'clock the first shots came—two birds from the southwest, canvasback from the bay—but it was not I that killed them. In my impatience I had left my blind an hour previously in pursuit of two widgeon that had pitched into a far slough, and I had become thoroughly lost in a maze of small, winding, ooze-bottomed salt rivers. Shots continued to come from the direction of the blinds at intervals, and when I had finally struggled and fought my way back through mud and water it was five o'clock, and my companion and the keeper had eighteen birds, all canvasback.

There was a lull in the flight for about fifteen minutes after my arrival, and then of a sudden I saw five birds, far up the slough, coming my way. They were flying close to the water and I crouched in the blind until they were forty feet from the decoys. A quick shot downed one of the center birds, and as they soared the second barrel crumpled up another. One of the remaining three birds made a wide circle, and almost before I was aware of it was over the decoys again. This time he stayed.

Perhaps now I was down three minutes, perhaps one. I was becoming excited and could not tell. Anyway, I heard a quick, sharp whish-sh overhead and in back of me, and then into my line of sight swung two "cans" with their wings fixed. My gun shot to my shoulder, and just as one was settling into the decoys it spoke, and he turned over and kicked for a moment. When I fired the other soared and the second barrel only seemed to recall to his mind some distant appointment that he was already late in keeping. Next three or four single shots swung down the slough, and some were killed and some were allowed to go their way, with some haste but no hindrance. The sun was going down in a great blaze of golden glory, and the whishing of the birds' wings as they swung over the still ponds in wide circles was becoming almost continuous. My gun barrels were getting decidedly warm, and I was dimly aware of the frequent reports of the other gun. Just after I had killed three out of a small flock that had settled in the decoys and risen when I lifted over the tules, the keeper slipped into the blind. He reported the other gun as doing very well farther down the slough, and said that he came to call in the ducks for me.

It was well he did, for just then high over us a band of about twenty started circling. Lower and lower, closer and closer, they came, every once in awhile answering the hoarse calls of the keeper. Then of a sudden they pitched toward the decoys, their wings hissing. The keeper motioned to let them settle and I did. Then my pot-hunting instincts arose, and when they were well bunched we lifted over the edge of the blind and tore loose. I verily believe we killed half the flock before they were fairly into the air. Anyhow when the noise ceased there seemed a great many more dead ducks bobbing over toward the tules on the other bank. Following the keeper's orders I had retrieved none of my birds, but had kept well covered in the blind.

I continued shooting for the next twenty minutes at birds that literally poured into the ponds to feed, and when I stopped there were but a few of the one hundred and fifty shells left which I had brought out—but the tules across the slough, opposite the decoys, were lined with dead ducks.

We now started in our boats to retrieve, and as we were picking dead canvasback after canvasback from the water, numbers of live ones were dropping into the distant corners of the ponds, while the hissing of their wings overhead was almost continuous.

When we finally piled the birds up in the duck house and counted them by lantern light there were ninety-six, practically a limit for each gun—all shot in an hour and a half by two only medium marksmen; and, with the exception of a brace, they were all canvasback. But this, I was told, was an exceptional flight for even these remarkably excellent canvasback ponds.

I have shot canvasback under conditions which cannot be compared with those attendant on this big shoot—shot them from a brush blind along a bay shore in cold rainy weather, and gone home with half a dozen; and I have shot them on the salt marsh, when they were extremely wary from much hunting; and I have sculled on them in a brush-covered boat—but whenever I have swung my gun on a lordly canvasback a peculiar thrill has run through me which has always been absent when I aimed at any other duck; and I think this will always be the case—for to me the canvasback stands pre-eminent in the duck world.

A BRITISH COLUMBIA GRIZZLY HUNT.

The time to hunt the grizzly is in the early spring just as the snow is melting from the mountain sides, for at that season he has left his winter den after his long sleep and his coat is just in its prime. On the mountains of upper British Columbia everything begins to grow directly as the snow leaves and even before. Large slides of snow and gravel are very common about that time, the immense mass of debris carrying with it every tree or loose rock that stands in its way and leaving in its wake a clear strip often miles in length. On these "slides," as they are called, the young herbage is very succulent and they are the first feeding places of the bear after he awakens in the spring.

One of the ambitions of my life has been to kill one of the monarchs of the Rocky Mountain forests, so with that end in view I made my way to Lillooet one April a few seasons ago and there engaged a giude, Henry Schwartz, and Bell, an Indian cook, with whom I started out on the 21st of the month, taking along five pack horses, three for riding and one spare.

For two days we traveled with no more serious adventures than the bolting of a pack horse. The load was spilt all over the ground and guide Schwartz was obliged to tie up the other horses and go after her. He soon met her returning, she preferring toil to solitude.

On the third day, after leaving the main trail and climbing the summit of a divide in order to make a short cut, we came to a small lake about a mile long and quite narrow. It was swarming with fine rainbow trout and they were so hungry that we were able to catch enough in one hour to last men and dogs for the next three days.

That night we pitched our camp on Cadwallader creek and decided to make this our main camp or base of supplies. There were a few bear signs in the surrounding woods but none of them very fresh. We decided therefore to move on the south fork of Bridge river, where the guide's partner had shot an enormous grizzly the previous year.

The most successful plan of hunting the grizzly is to watch the open strips or slides in the early morning and evening when he is likely to be out feeding. At other times he lies in the thick bush in a regular lair. As soon as he is sighted the hunters proceed to stalk him, always approaching from the windward side in such a way that the wind shall be blowing from the bear to the hunters, otherwise he would smell them before they got within range and make off into the thickets.

While we were watching one of these slides with our glasses we heard a noise like thunder, and looking in the direction from which the noise came we saw, about ten miles away, what seemed a whole mountain side sliding downwards. It was a splendid sight but better viewed from a distance than near at hand. In the wake of the slide was a brown, barren strip more than half a mile wide, a bear pasture for next year.

The next day we pushed on a few miles farther, and soon came across two fresh grizzly tracks which we followed for some time. Several times we were much tempted to shoot a coyote which continually obtruded himself as if aware that he was immune while there was a chance of getting bigger game. When returning to camp we saw where the coyote had followed our back trail to camp, moved probably by curiosity or the knowledge that where there is a camp there is usually pork, also.

The first grizzly we saw was when we had camped at the foot of a slide five hundred yards wide and about two miles long. We were sraightening up the camp, and Bell had gone out into the open to gather some dry firewood when he came hurrying back to tell us that there was a big grizzly on the slide. We took off our boots and put on moccasins, but the delay cost us dear, for when we arrived on the scene he had gone into scme willow bushes and although Schwartz got a glimpse of him I did not see him at all. Picking up his trail we found that he had doubled round and passed within one hundred yards of where we were watching.

From this time on we saw bears every day. At one time it was a mother with her yearling cubs, the latter romping and tumbling over their mother as she fed and passively joined in the fun. At another I got a shot, but owing to the rareness of the atmosphere I misjudged the distance and the bullets all struck low. A third time a big fellow came out onto the selide, sat up on his haunches bear-fashion as if looking at us and then lurched off into the thickets.

One evening we had climbed into trees in order to better see the slide. It was bitterly cold but we stuck to our posts and were rewarded, just at dusk, by seeing a bear come out into the open about three hundred yards distant. Sighting carefully, I fired and the shot broke his back, but he pawed his way down the mountain, dragging his hind legs and roaring like a bull. Again and again I fired, but only one ball hit the mark and as it was now too dark to follow him we went home to camp.

Our grub was getting scarce...so Bell that evening cooked a porcupine. Its liver and kidneys were very good but the rest of the meat was soft and flabby. However, we were so hungry that we could have eaten anything. Whether the rest of the porcupine community realized what we had done and come to haunt us, or whether they were anxious to be cooked also I cannot say, but that night our dogs spent most of the time chasing porcupines and in the morning we found no less than a dozen of the quilled

beasts treed within a few yards of the camp. One was in a bare spruce tree right above the camp fire. It took us some time to get the quills out of the dogs' noses.

We breakfasted on porcupine and were away by six o'clock on the trail of the wounded bear. It was easy work following him as the tracks in the snow were very plain, and now and then he had lain down, leaving a pool of blood. We found him about a mile away lying in a hollow. He tried to get away but a ball through the neck put him out of his misery. No sooner was he dead than Bell began to sing a weird Indian song that they always sing when a bear is killed. It is supposed to act as a charm against ill luck which would otherwise fall on the person who should dare to kill one of the kings of the forest.

Our bear was of the brown or cinnamon variety, not a grizzly, although he was almost as large as one of the latter. This did not satisfy me, for I had come hundreds of miles to kill a grizzly and there seemed to be plenty in the woods, so I determined to try again. It was necessary first to return to our main camp, which we did, making from there a new start up the Cadwallader creek.

We had not gone many miles when, pointing to the other side of the creek, Bell said in Siwash:

"There one of horses."

Schwartz looked and then called to the Indian to come back. "It's a grizzly, sure enough," said he. One look through my glass confirmed this, so we hurried along, coming at last to an open spot just opposite where Bruin was feeding.

She—for it proved to be a female—was feeding on the other side of the creek about half a mile away. We hurried down the mountain and tried to find a place where we could cross the creek, but failing in that we climbed a little knoll right opposite the bear and not more than two hundred yards away. Just as we got there we saw a big gravel slide come rushing downwards with a noise like thunder within one hundred yards of the grizzly, but she took not the slightest notice of it, continuing her feeding as before, perfectly unconscious of her two enemies and of the dark muzzle of the Winchester pointing in her direction.

Remembering how I had misjudged the distance once before, I raised the sights to four hundred yards in spite of the protests of my companion, who told me to fire low. Accordingly my bullet went whistling over the bear's back, sending up a shower of sand just beyond her and showing me that I had missed. Anathematizing my folly in not accepting the advice of an experienced man, I expected to see the bear rush for the timber; but instead, she jumped around and stood broadside on. Ramming in another cartridge and lowering the sights I fired again, my shot this time taking effect. She flew round and charged for us with mouth open and uttering terrific roars or bellows. It was the finest sight I had ever seen but there was no time for contemplation. A false move meant certain death, and even the coolest brain and the strongest nerve could not be quite sure of winning out against this infuriated creature with the lives of a cat and the strength of an ox.

On she came and it seemed as if nothing would stop her. At the edge of the creek she raised herself a little, holding her head high in the air. It was just the opportunity I wanted to send a ball into the center of her chest, piercing both lungs and heart.

She fell and lay still for a few seconds and guide Schwartz went wild with excitement, slapping me on the back and shouting, "Good boy! You've got her." But we hadn't yet. My magazine was empty and I was busy pushing in more cartridges when up jumped the grizzly and tried to make for the timber. A ball through the back of the neck gave our Indian another opportunity to sing his weird death song over one of the finest silver-tips I have ever seen.

WILD CAT CHASING.

Probably there is no sport in all outdoors which equals that of riding to hounds—surely there is none which has been more written about, more praised by those who have participated in it and by those who have watched the chase from afar.

Beside it the stalker, whose work in the killing of deer or other wild game is in reality the most arduous of all the games of the hunting field, pales into insignificance in the public mind. In comparison, the man who can bring out of the air the swiftest flying teal or pigeon is an amateur, while he who bestrides some lank hunter in the long pursuit of Reynard or Lobo to his form in the dark earth has attained to the highest notch of fame as a Nimrod.

In the East, particularly in the Southeast, riding to hounds, which has become an established institution, is a society event of the first water as well. Here in the West it is as yet a matter of business, of hunting for the hunt, and not for the society one meets or the pretty girls who attend because it is good form.

Corduroys and khaki here have not as yet given place to red coats and ducks, and the high double cinch saddle is as yet the thing despite the introduction of the "jockey seat" in eastern hunts. Where the fox is the game in the blue grass country, the coyote and the wild cat, with an occasional mountain lion, is the game here, but the hunting and the hunters are altogether different.

North of the Tehachapi I am told they have good hunts for the bob cats which infest the higher hills; in fact I think I have seen accounts of such hunts in the sporting press, but of them I am not privileged to speak, seldom having been north of the line which divides the faunal zones of the State so accurately. Here in the South, however, around Los Angeles, we occasionally have a good chase on the ponies through the hills, and those who belong to the one hunt club which is worth while in the Southwest—the Santa Ana Valley organization—have sport every spring.

There are two species of wild cats in Southern California—the big gray lynx and the little red plateau lynx, both called "wild cats," and the larger dubbed "bob cat" to distinguish it in the vernacular from the more common variety.

As a rule I am opposed to hunting any sort of wild animal with hounds. It admits in itself an inferiority of the hunter to the hunted, but—and here's the rub of it—there is positively no other way to follow a wild cat among the hills of the Southwest.

I have spent hours trying to stalk a wild cat with a rifle and never succeeded but once—and then it was not my fault. I saw the gray form slip through the underbrush, hunger having driven the cat out to take a chance with a band of quail—and to get one. Of course I had no gun; indeed, I doubt very much if I should have used it after the exhibition of stalking which that lynx put up. But all of these things are merely incidental to the main issue, which is wild cat hunting.

Unlike the coyotes of the West, the wild cats are commonly found in the foothills. The little wolves range over the flat lands, wherever there are ranches and a possibility of poultry or rabbits or even ground squirrels, but the cats love the brushy tangles of the hills and the rocky ledges with their scattered caves which here and there scar the foothills.

To get the cats out of these hills, where they are as hidden as the proverbial needle in the haystack, nothing but the sharp nose of a dog, and a dog who knows the cats he hunts, will suffice. Provided with such dogs, which are gradually coming into high demand all over the southern end of the State as sportsmen realize that this is one of the real games of the outdoors, the hunter rides out early in the morning, while the fog and the dew still lie heavy on the chemisal and sage brush, into the hills, if possible, where there are no fences to obstruct the running of his horse or his dogs.

Then, we, for now I am going to take up one of the hunts in which I have been a participant, release, say, six of ten dogs, holding the best in leash for the time when the trailers break into voice. A pup working far ahead and overrunning the trails, as is usual with young humans and young dogs, breaks out; Spot, moving leisurely and just fast enough to keep out of the way of the horseman who is holding his leash, sniffs the air, gets a tip on a sure thing and lets out a noise which is neither bark nor bay, but yet a sort of inquisitive "woof? woof?" sort of asking for confirmation, as it were.

We let him go and he rushes over to the young dog, snuffs along the ground, finds it a false alarm and slips away into the brush on the side of a steep canyon, which, in this case, happens to be a branch of Santiago canyon, down in Orange county.

Silently the dogs and the horses and the men work, each drenched with the wetness of the early day; half an hour passes; we have moved, possibly, a mile. And then, suddenly, yet with that deep-toned intonation which denotes confidence, Spot, dimly and far away, lets go of a bay, following it up with still deeper and stronger calls.

His voice comes to us muffled and we suspect that he is down under the wall of the canyon, where he cannot be heard well enough to tell in which direction he is working.

The young dogs already are well ahead, but we loose the leash hounds, and led by them we plunge over the canyon rim, down, down, through brush, over loose boulders, around scanty patches of cactus, at length to see Spot's white back vanishing on the run through the chemisal on the far side of the gorge.

It seems that the dogs see him, too, for by the time we have reached the bottom, having some little respect for our necks, if not for our horses, the older dogs are in full cry, while the youngsters are cutting across the canyon half a mile above, to join the working pack.

Then it is every fellow for himself, and the devil take the hindmost; for while a chase after a wild cat is not long, it is sometimes very strenuous. Over the ridge the dogs go, and after them we trail, not in a compact body now, for the slip and slide down the side of the gorge set some so far back that there is little prospect of their being in at the death.

Up the hill we drive our horses; half a mile has been traversed, down the far side of that same hill, and we have covered very near a full mile. We drop down into the bed of a still larger canyon, where there has once been a stream, but where now there is but the faintest trickle of water. Instead of crossing this creek bed, the cat took straight up it. By this time he must have heard the dogs, and have known that behind them were men, for we made no pretense at concealing any noise we cared to make.

A quarter of a mile farther we came to a fallen sycamore which lies well across the canyon. Its top rests on a ledge in a gray conglomerate cliff which rises at least fifty feet from the bed of the stream; its roots completely upturned to the air. Here the hounds lose the trail; twice they circle the butt of the fallen tree, twice they swing the upper loop of a figure eight in the bed of the gorge above the tree, but to no avail.

(Continued next week.)

AT THE TRAPS

A communication from T. E. Doremus, Wilmington, Del., gives the following interesting statement:

"From sportsmen in all sections of the country have come requests that information regarding Mr. Fred Gilbert's yearly averages be published. This of course is desired from the time he entered the game, up to the present. His twentieth year found him still well above the 90% mark, and he finished the latter part of 1914 with some wonderful exhibitions of the art of breaking clay targets. Earlier in the year he was a constant sufferer from a combination of ailments which interfered with his shooting, and militated against him turning in anything like his usual scores.

Interest in the Fred Gilbert Twentieth Anniversary Celebration shows no abatement. in fact the reverse is the case. Each mail brings us a flood of letters from all sections of the country, containing good wishes for "our Fred" (from Iowa), "Fritz," etc., and already nearly two hundred clubs from coast to coast and from Canada to the gulf, have requested that Fred Gilbert Cups be reserved for them, and forwarded just as soon as possible.

Mr. Gilbert's records, as far as obtainable, are:

Year	Shot at.	Broke.	Per cent.
1895.....	Averages not compiled.		
1896.....	Averages not compiled.		
1897.....	3,290	3,056	92.90
1898.....	3,060	2,742	89.60
1899.....	2,875	2,700	93.90
1890.....	3,790	3,585	94.60
1901.....	4,285	4,015	92.70*
1902.....	7,800	7,406	94.90*
1903.....	9,205	8,655	94.20*
1904.....	17,015	16,179	95.08*
1905.....	17,845	17,065	95.06*
1906.....	Ill all year—did not shoot.		
1907.....	9,195	8,817	95.80*
1908.....	10,945	10,402	95.03
1909.....	12,630	12,079	95.63
1910.....	2,000	1,896	94.80**
1911.....	2,100	1,995	95.00**
1912.....	4,600	4,413	95.93
1913.....	5,940	5,615	94.53
1914.....	3,800	3,517	92.55

*Indicates high average winner for year. Mr. Gilbert won this honor six consecutive years, eliminating 1906 when he did not shoot, a feat never before or since accomplished by any shooter, amateur or professional.

**The averages these years were figured only on targets shot at in Interstate Association tournaments.

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The Ithaca Gun Club, of Ithaca, New York, has been elected a member of The Interstate Association, so it is announced by Secretary E. Reed Shaner.

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In preparation for the Montana State shoot of the Montana Gun Club, to be held in Lewistown June 21, 22 and 23, the Lewistown Gun Club has elected officers and appointed some committees, the latter to take in charge the preliminary arrangements for the big meet, which will bring to that city scores of crack trap shooters as well as some noted professional shooters.

Charles J. Marshall was chosen as president, with Fred Twitchell vice-president and A. H. Stephenson secretary and treasurer.

The Lewistown club is composed of a large number of enthusiasts, and they are all deeply interested in the coming State shoot. The preparations for this are to be begun early in order that the arrangements may all be perfect. This gathering is one that will give Lewistown a lot of prominence, and that feature will not be overlooked, but the chief interest of the members is to see that Lewistown rises to the occasion and that the visitors are given a whole-hearted welcome.

Rem-UMC Notes.

Merchants Gun Club, of Stafford, Kan., held a shoot on January 19, at which a team was picked to represent them at the State shoot. R. W. Bucke, Sherman Guthrie, and Grant Hicks, all using Nitro Club shells, took first, second, and third places in the order named.

B. L. Kammerer of Riverside, Ill., shooting Nitro Club shells, led the field at the traps of the Chicago Gun Club on January 17, breaking 93 out of his 100 targets.

At a shoot held by the Parker Gun Club, of Milwaukee, Wis., January 24, the three high guns all used Nitro Club shells, while the men scoring first and second places shot Remington guns. The winners were: J. Sausen, of Wawautosa, H. S. Smith, a local shooter, and H. Ludington, also of Wawautosa.

Although the day was very cold and windy, making high scores scarce, the Indianapolis Gun Club held a lively shoot Dec. 19. E. A. Edmonson, of Clayton, Ind., and Dr. O. E. Britton, of Indianapolis, made very creditable scores of 89x100, the former using a Remington pump gun, and both shooting Nitro Club shells. Again, on December 23, the weather conditions were very bad, making Dr. Hickman's score of 144x150 unusually good. Out of the first 75 targets shot at, he broke all but two, using a Remington pump gun and Nitro Club shells. Second place was a tie between E. A. Edmonson and E. P. Remy, of Anderson, Ind., both shooting Nitro Club shells. They broke 137 of their quota of 150 birds.

MODERN HORSE BREEDING.

There are three things that are very essential in breeding, if we would become successful. The first is a stallion that does discharge live sperm cells; the second, a good healthy mare to receive them; last but not least is cleanliness. If either of the three were lacking there would not be many colts to show for your work, writes a recent contributor to the American Breeder.

Now, we will take the stallion first. How are we to know that he does discharge live spermatazoa? We cannot detect it with the naked eye nor can we tell that he ejaculates completely. We may feel the pulsations of the urethra by holding the hand on the lower side of the penis, but that is not a sure sign that he has made a complete ejaculation. Now, how are we to tell? Shall we wait a year and see if that particular mare was fertilized at that time? No.

We have a better way; one that will absolutely tell us in a few seconds. How? By using the microscope, and making an examination at each and every service. It takes only a couple of minutes and you can be sure if the stallion has done its part. By taking a few drops of the fluid you will have sufficient for a test; put it on your slide and flirt the glass to distribute it thinly over the surface; adjust your machine, and you have before you a sample of what your horse is capable of at that particular service. You will have countless numbers, if the service is complete, moving over the glass at a very rapid gait, in fact, so fast that the eye of a person not accustomed to it will not detect them; but as they grow cold they move more slowly and you see them more distinctly. The small amount you have on your slide will not be more than a drop or two. But looking down on them you will actually see a good many hundred, all anxious to go some place, going in all directions. Sometimes you get a sample that contains live germs going round and round like a bird with a broken wing; that kind of a germ does not have enough life to travel far enough to meet the ovum, consequently cannot fertilize at that particular time, so this service is lost. Then you will have a sample where there is no life at all. You will however see present small sugar globules floating along. This teaches us that there was not a complete ejaculation of all the glands that are called upon to act, to form a complete service.

We do not know why this is. It may result from overwork or it may be worry or it may be caused from a change of feed or a poor place to make the cover. So you see it is safe to say that the only way to use a stallion successfully is to test him at every service. You are absolutely certain then that the service is good or bad. It only takes one germ to fertilize, all others are wasted. Science teaches us that the average discharge of a stallion is 8 ounces and contains 12,000,000,000 spermatazoa. If only a small fraction of this discharge is taken, you will have enough to fertilize all mares present if they be in breeding condition.

Now we come to the brood mare. It is just as essential that the brood mare be in good health as it is for the sire. If the mare be sick or a little off, you want to know it. You want to be able to make an examination to determine if she be in a breeding condition. Right here is where the speculum comes into play. With it you soon are able to tell at a glance the difference between a mare in the pink of condition and one out of condition. You are not guessing at it. You know and are thus able to either breed her intelligently or turn her down. A stallion groom of today should school himself to make an examination to detect diseased kidneys and ovaries in the mares presented for service, if there be any suspicious ones. If a kidney or ovary be diseased you stand a poor chance of getting that mare in foal. If you have a bad case it is best to give your veterinary surgeon a chance to either try his skill or pass her up as he sees fit. By doing this you get along much better with your patron.

Cleanliness comes next and it is just as important as the preceding. Always clean up every mare brought to your barn to be bred, before making an internal examination, have your hands and tools absolutely clean. Use only sterilized water to rins off the hands and clean up the mare; boil all water used in cleaning your breeding appliances. Use a tail cord to keep the tail up out of your way. If the mare is to be bred with natural service, bandage the tail and you have nothing to bother you then when the horse mounts. Encourage the horse to stay on a long time so that the penis is fully retracted before he dismounts. You will have less trouble with your horse drawing back the discharge and wasting it on the ground. A little patience used at this particular time with a young horse will develop him into a good server. I like a breeding stall for several reasons. First, your horse is not as liable to get kicked at time of service; second, the mare always stands better, therefore you get better service; third, the mare will hold up more weight than in the open and the groom has a better chance to catch the semen when artificial impregnation is practiced. You can also put the mare on a higher level by using an extra floor to stand her on, in case you are serving a small mare with a large horse.

I consider artificial breeding a big help. In fact, I would not go back to the old way. It is the only way to even up when you have several thousand dollars invested in a horse. It stands a man in hand to see where he can make enough to pull even. With the capsule system he not only breeds more mares but can breed them cheaper and by using the stallion but once a day, you get a much stronger service. If you have any doubtful mares they can be bred with a capsule and no harm done. Shy breeders can be bred more successfully this way than with the natural service. I have bred mares out of heat in this way and have foaled them.

MORE LIVE STOCK NOW THAN A YEAR AGO.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 30.—For the first time in many years, information collected by the U. S. Department of Agriculture shows that all classes of live stock in the United States are increasing in numbers. Thus the real facts contradict, absolutely, sensational reports that prices for meat and shoes would rise to unprecedented figures in the immediate future. It has even been said that a Government statistician predicted meat at 50 cents a pound and shoes at $10.00 a pair within the next two years. Such a prediction, the real Government statisticians say, is quite unwarranted.

On January 1, for example, the number of beef cattle showed an increase of 3.4 per cent over the number a year ago, and an actual increase of 1,212,000 head. Hitherto the number of beef cattle in the United States has declined since 1910. There are also more milch cows in the country than last year, the increase being 2.5 per cent, or in numbers 525,000. Swine, however, showed the greatest increase of all classes—9.6 per cent. On January 1, 1914, there were only 58,933,000 swine in the country, on January 1, 1915, 64,619,000. This is accounted for by the fact that the production of swine can be increased more rapidly than that of other classes of live stock, and consequently an enlarged demand can be met more readily.

The prediction of 50-cent meat and $10 shoes was accompanied by the declaration that France alone has taken from America nearly 300,000 horses within the last five months and that the other countries at war have drawn upon our resources in the same proportion. The facts are that more horses were on the farms of the United States on January 1, 1915, than there were a year before, the increase being 233,000 head or 1.1 per cent. So far from France alone having taken 300,000 horses from us, the total exports since the war began have certainly been much less than 100,000 and very likely not over 75,000. Since there are approximately 25,000,000 horses all together in the United States, the drain on account of the war is scarcely alarming.

It is in fact pointed out by Government statisticians that the market value of farm horses has actually declined to such an extent that the average is now about $6 a head less than a year ago. This decline is most noticeable in the cotton States and in those States which make a business of breeding horses for sale in other sections. Mules have declined even more than horses, their value being now $11.50 per head less than a year ago. The explanation is to be found in the depression on account of the cotton situation in the South, which is the great market for mules. An improvement in this respect will do much to restore the demand for horses, so that Government specialists while ridiculing the notion of a horse famine are convinced that farmers will find it profitable to use good work mares for breeding more stock.

As for hides, the situation is not quite so clear, but even here there has been much gross exaggeration. From two-fifths to less than one-half of the leather used in this country is imported, about 25 per cent of the foreign hides coming from Argentina, 15 per cent from Canada, 11 per cent from Mexico, 8½ per cent from European Russia, and 7½ per cent from France. Since the outbreak of the war, importations have shown a certain falling off, those for September, 1914, for example, being only 34,000,000 pounds, instead of 45,000,000 pounds the year previous. There is, however, little reason to suppose that this decrease will be permanent or of sufficient importance to create any real scarcity. Since the great bulk of the imported hides come from countries that are not at war, shipments are not interfered with in any way, and the only new factor to be considered is the possibility of an increased demand by the warring countries.

It is believed, however, that the United States is now in a better condition to face such a situation than for five years past. The tide, it seems, has turned. Instead of live stock steadily decreasing year after year, this year for the first time, as has been said, all classes show an appreciable increase. Including horses, mules, milch cows, beef cattle, sheep, and swine, there were on January 1, 1915, 7,712,000 more farm animals in the United States than on January 1, 1914. The increase in the total value was $78,024,000, or 1.3 per cent. It is quite true that this increase is not yet proportional to the increase in population, which is approximately 2 per cent; but the fact that there is an increase, that the tide seems definitely to have turned, is regarded as a sufficient answer to alarming exaggerations and misleading figures.

Alhambra Prince (3) 2:27, by Redlac 2:07½ and out of the dam of Alarich 2:09, etc., owned by the Alhambra horseman Charles W. Winter, was awarded the Palace Hotel Cup, first prize, in the New Year's parade at Pasadena, Mr. Winter also annexing the Col. Hogan Cup for the best horse drawn vehicle in that pageant. The Prince has given evidence of his class in other show rings and will probably be among the competitors in the light harness classes at the P.-P. I. E. shows this fall.

MARKEY AND THE MARKET.

In reading numerous articles by men who are supposed to be well posted on the prevailing conditions in the horse business, it makes one sad to note that a somewhat discouraged attitude is often taken. However, it is my sincere opinion that there never was a period when the outlook for breeders of standard horses was higher or more encouraging, notwithstanding the opinion of other writers to the contrary.

I firmly believe that the low-water mark for colts, fillies, brood mares and untrained horses of good breeding was reached in 1914, and that conditions will improve materially this season, and continue to do so right along thereafter. I base this prediction on well-grounded reasoning, which I will attempt to outline.

First of all, the public is not out of conceit with harness racing. On the contrary, 1914 found our sport better patronized than any of the other popular outdoor pastimes. This I pointed out in a recent article. So long as horse racing retains its widespread popularity there will remain a strong demand for racing material, and this demand will result in more horses being bred and a greater percentage of them trained.

Last season I wrote an article entitled, "Prepare for a Horse Famine," and since that time I am more firmly convinced that I was correct in my surmises, and that time will further emphasize the accuracy of my observations.

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The process of elimination has been in progress since the inception of breeding operations, but there have been more culls and undesirable horses weeded out in the last five years than in any other like period. The breed is freer of chaff, sounder as to foundation, with better seed to go ahead with than ever before in the history of the business.

The advent of the automobile eliminated many mares of ordinary breeding and merit, and the European war has taken from us about 100,000 light horses, many of which were trotting or pacing bred, and will take many more.

We may say that we are starting with a clean deck, having rid ourselves of the undesirables and retained the better class of mares and stallions. There is scarcely a section of the United States or Canada in which good stallions are not accessible. For my own enlightenment I took a tab of twenty-five stallions whose names appear in the Breeders' Directory of the Review Racing Guide, and carefully looked up their breeding. They were stallions that I was not familiar with and knew nothing about aside from their records or registered standard numbers. It was really surprising to me to learn the high class pedigrees they carried, and I was struck by the fact that ten years or so ago such breeding could be found only on the best farms or in the great horse centers.

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There are hundreds of young horses that carry the blood of the great sires, of prominent colt trotters and of dams that are producers, and bred in the heighth of fashion. Breeders will make no mistake in patronizing them, and, as a matter of fact, it is these same young horses from which we may expect future progenitors of the type of Baron Wilkes 2:18, Allerton 2:09¼, Moko, Peter the Great 2:07¼, Axtell 2:12, Axworthy 2:15½, Walnut Hall 2:08¼, Bingen 2:06¼, etc. And when those breeders who are fortunate enough to secure a sire of such merit as those named, they will be richly rewarded for many years of breeding efforts.

The tendency to breed only to the most noted sires constitutes a handicap. Give the young horses a chance, and by so doing save large stud fees and much other contingent expense.

Supply and demand in the horse business, as well as in all others, make high or low prices, and just as certain as you and I are alive, the demand will increase because the supply at the present time is short, and keeps on shortening.

There is less chance taken nowadays in breeding than ever before, for the general average of horses produced is more uniformly superior. They are born with more natural speed, and require less time and expense to develop them into racing tools.

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Leaving aside the present great demand for finished race horses — and prices for this sort were never higher—the European war once settled is bound to give our foreign market an additional impetus. They are killing horses over there, not breeding them, and the destruction is largely among light horses, such as are used for cavalry and artillery purposes, and in peace for every sort of use. After peace is declared there will come a period of readjustment in each country's affairs. In order to replenish their horse stock and rehabilitate breeding, they must look to America for stallions and mares. No other country will be in position to fill the depleted ranks of horses in practically all of Europe and, as we well know, during the past ten years Europe has learned to recognize the true merit of the American trotter. More of the standard breed will be used to restock and breed army horses, to say nothing of the racing side of the proposition.

The way I look at the situation, we should take an encouraging view of the breeding angle, for all elements seem to favor us. It is not a time to wear long faces, but rather one for cheerfulness and action. Horace Greely said, "Go west, young man," and I am going to paraphrase his famous advice by saying, "Breed horses, young man!"—Marque, in the Horse Review.

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I have no objections to hard work or to driving an entry in every race of the day's program during the racing season, but daylight hours are limited, and neither physical possibility nor the judges will stand for me driving more than one horse in each race, so I am making this offering of tried and proven campaigners and well developed prospects for classes and coast futurities. I have too many horses already well developed for one man to train and race, with more coming on steadily that must be handled. Many of the individuals offered here are well known to you, and a trip here will give you full acquaintance with any others that may interest you. Every claim made for speed already shown will be fully substantiated, every horse is exactly as represented, and every price is based fairly on what long experience assures me is a conservative estimate of their actual earning capacity in competent hands. Look this list over, come and see them, and you will realize that you have never been afforded a better opportunity for a profitable investment in horseflesh for racing purposes.

DON PRONTO 2:02¼,

eight years old, pacer, no straps, needs no boots; sound, not a blemish or a puff. Any amateur can drive him as well as a professional; has been in 2:02 with a 230 pound amateur up. This is a matter of record. Don Pronto is the cleverest all-round high class pacer in the country. Has held a world's record and is from the dam of Manrico (3) 2:07¼, a world's record holder. Is bred to be a great sire, being by THE DIRECTOR GENERAL (sire also of Wy-Drad 2:04¼, William O. 2:04¼, Mainsheet 2:05, Deuchester 2:07, etc., 8 in 2:10), and out of SILURIAN, that wonderful producing daughter of Wilton. Don Pronto was the biggest money winning free-for-all pacer in the west both in 1913 and 1914. Can surely beat his record. Is very beautiful, pleasant and a great favorite. Price $1750.00.

ALARICH 2:11¼ (Breeder's mark 2:09),

trotter, bay gelding with black points, 15.3, handsome, sound, fast and game; trialed at Santa Rosa last season in 2:06¾ and can do it again. Is a first class doer, can race twice a week and is eligible to the 2:13 class trots on mile tracks and to the 2:18 class on half-mile tracks; has shown well on the twice-arounds. Price, $650.00.

HELEN BELLE (2) 2:22½, breeder's record, bay filly, foaled 1912, good gaited, good headed, sound and extremely fast; was taken up absolutely green on Sept. 3 and has developed in a most satisfactory manner, taking her mark in December, since which time she has been an eighth in :16, half in 1:09. Sired by California's greatest sire of colt trotters, CARLOKIN 2:07½. First dam Carolyn C. by Axtell (3) 2:12 (a champion); second dam by Expedition, sire of Bon Voyage 2:08; third dam by Princeps (son of Woodford Mamb.); fourth dam by Hambletonian 10.

Carolyn C. had two minute speed. This great filly is entered and paid up in the Occident stake, the State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A., and Oregon Futurities for 1915. The best buy in California at $1600.

NELLIE Mc,

black mare, trotter, eight years old, racing sound but is blemished; has always trained sound and I believe will continue to do so. Trialed at Sacramento in 2:10½ and has been a half lately in 1:03¾. Is a splendid mannered mare—anyone can drive her anywhere. She races first class, is fast, good headed, good gaited and dead game.

Sired by ZOLOCK 2:05¼, dam by Wilkes Moor, son of Guy Wilkes.

Stands about 15.3, is a round made extra good looking mare, weighs about 1140, has splendid legs and feet. She negotiates a half mile circle in A-1 style, should surely beat 2:10 this year. Does not pull a pound and can be placed anywhere. Eligible to any class. Price $1000.00.

CARLETA,

bay filly, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ALEXANDRIA, tr. 2:20, by Bon Voyage 2:08; second dam by Oakland Baron 2:09¼; third dam by Allandorf, etc.

This is a good trotter and should be prominent in her stake engagements. Is very handsome, good headed, sound and comes from familes noted for early speed. She has been up from pasture about eight weeks and trialed this week in 2:49 very easily, last eighth in :19¼.

She is entered and paid up to date in the following stakes: Panama-Pacific $3,000 for two-year-olds, Stanford, Occident, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. Take her at one-third her value, $500.00.

OMAR, gelding,

trotter, trial 2:13¾, half in 1:05, eighths in :15; good headed, sound and can be depended upon. Is a beautifully gaited big horse and should prove useful to race over the twice arounds or for a matinee and road horse. He is fearless and is one of the most pleasant driving horses I have ever ridden behind. Stands slightly over 16 hands, weighs about 1200, is eight years old. Sired by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam Pineapple by Albion (son of General Benton). A present at $350.00.

CARLSCHEN (2) 2:23, breeder's record, brown gelding by CARLOKIN, dam BONNIE AILSIE 2:08½ (dam of Contention B. (3) 2:08¼) by Faustino, son of Sidney.

Trialed with a little work last year a half in 1:09, is extremely promising and looks to be as good a prospect as any of the colts racing last year in the two-year-old trots. Is engaged in several of the futurities including the P. C. T. H. B. A., Pleasanton and State Fair Futurities. Is a splendid type, beautifully gaited, good headed and has extreme speed. He does it right. Price $800.00.

HERMES, brown colt,

two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam MISS QUEALY (full sister to Manrico 2:07¼).

This is one of the most promising trotters I have ever handled. Is an especially nice gaited colt, can show a 2:20 gait, is good headed and on the whole the most promising youngster I know of for the western stakes. Is also a show horse. Is entered and paid up in the Occident, Stanford, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. His dam is an extremely fast trotter, having shown a two minute gait in her three-year-old form, and his second dam produced two to hold world's records—Manrico and Don Pronto.

This youngster is spoken of as the most impressive colt trotter at Los Angeles. Price $1500.00.

JOHNNY DUGAN,
3-yr.-old breeder's record 2:16,

pacer, no straps, bay gelding four years old, straight and sound, trialed a half in 1:04 last year in his three-year-old form and could pace around 2:10 in June.

Sire, CARLOKIN 2:07½; dam Annabelle L. (full sister to Murray M. and Robert I. 2:08¾) by Hambletonian Wilkes; second dam Annabelle 2:27½ (dam of La Belle 2:16); third dam by Williamson's Belmont. A great buy at $350.00.

OLD FOLKS,

bay gelding, trotter, five years old, trialed as a two-year-old in 2:31½, as a three-year-old in 2:18½, and in his four-year-old form last May in 2:11, last half in 1:04. Is sound, good gaited, good headed, and should 2:08 this year. Comes from a family of good race horses on both sides—by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam IRAN BELLE, by Iran Alto 2:12¼; second dam ANNABELLE, etc. He stands A-1 with the railbirds around Los Angeles and is ready to begin fast work, having been jogged all winter. Price $1000.00.

CARINA,

bay filly, trotter, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ATHERINE (dam of Copa de Oro 1:59, Rags 2:09¼ and Nicola B. (2) 2:23¼, tr. 2:17, winner of the Oregon Futurity and second in the P. C. T. H. B. A. stakes for two-year-old trotters). Carina is entered and paid up in the same stakes as Carleta. She is a grand looking, well developed filly, showed a :40 gait at eleven months old. Is good gaited and good headed, is in training and promises to make a high class trotter. Trialed this week in 2:46, last half in 1:12½. Price $600.00.

AND ONE FOR THE $20,000 P.-P. I. E. TROTS — RAGS 2:09¼, winner of the Breeder's and Oregon Futurities, the Stanford and the Occident stakes as a three-year-old, and the Governor's Stake, $5000, as a four-year-old — in all, beaten in but two out of eight starts, second in those two, and beaten only by 2:05 trotters. In my opinion as good a prospect for the big stakes as anyone has. He is a really great race horse, is racing sound, and has developed from an overgrown four-year-old into a sturdy, strong, exceptionally fine individual. Should be engaged in the Panama-Pacific $20,000 stakes, for which I already have entries. None better bred—by Del Coronado and out of the dam of Copa de Oro 1:59, etc. Price $2000.

In addition to the ones above mentioned I will offer to intending buyers NICOLA B. (2) 2:23¼, JIM CRAM, three-year-old pacer (brother to Chango 2:12¼), a YEARLING BROTHER TO ESPERANZA 2:09, engaged in all of the Stakes, the phenomenal two-year-old pacer SANDY McNABB (staked), MISS QUEALY (full sister to Manrico), FIVE YEARLINGS and SIX TWO-YEAR-OLDS, most of which are in training and ready to show.

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Since the foundation of the Shire Horse Society, the breed has been much improved by careful selection, and very strict veterinary examination at the society's show has helped to reduce the percentage of unsoundness, and last year they took another step forward by issuing board of trade certificates, which are an absolute guarantee of soundness.

The policy of the Shire Horse Society of England is guided by men of the very highest repute, and they will not tolerate anything but absolute honesty in the pedigrees registered.

This endeavor to eliminate the unsound, and the honesty of all registrations has helped materially to place the Shire horse in the proud position which he occupies today—the king of heavy draft horses.

However, he does not occupy this position simply on the strength of his soundness; it is his enormous bulk and great muscular development, combined with activity and a disposition well suited to the heavy work for which he is largely used which is most responsible for his excellent standing.

There seems to be an impression in this part of the world that the Shire is not an active horse, but any one who has stood by the barrier at the Shire Horse Society's Show and seen stallions weighing 2,500 or 2,600 pounds come down the ring like a steam engine (no whips are allowed in the ring there), knows that this is a wrong impression. Even at our own State fairs Shires have always excelled in this particular.

The type of the Shire horse is now so firmly fixed that he transmits his character with great regularity to his offspring, and for this reason grading up may be accomplished to a greater size more quickly with a Shire than with any other breed. Evidence of this is to be seen on the streets of San Francisco, where about 80 per cent of the heavy drafters show a preponderance of Shire blood, while probably not 10 per cent of the stallions of the State are Shires.

In conclusion let me say that there is good and bad in every breed, and a horseman to be successful must be a good enough judge to discard the bad ones and appreciate the value of the good ones.—Henry Wheatley, in Orchard and Farm.

HOG HOUSES.

Under housing, we must consider two things: First, feeding; second, farrowing. In feeding in this country, a closed-in house is necessary. It is advisable to have the north, east and west sides closed, preferably with the walls at least two feet high, removable, so that in the summer there is nothing to obstruct the ground breeze. With very little ingenuity this can be accomplished by leaving off the bottom four boards all around in the summer time and slipping them in place in the winter. These removable boards should be put in place from the inside, so that the frame work will offer resistance against the weight of the hogs crowded against them. The south side should remain open with a small hood in front of it. The floor should be of wood, or cement, from both standpoints of economy and healthfulness. It will be economical because no food will be buried in the dirt and the hogs will not be compelled to swallow dust and germs in eating it. The house should be divided into two compartments to keep the larger hogs apart from the smaller ones. Clean the troughs out every day and clean the floor. Keep the hogs out of feeding house, except at feeding time. At all other times their place is on the pasture. Don't forget this item.

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First dam Hallie Dillard by Brown Hal 2:12½, sire of Star Pointer 1:59¼, twelve others in 2:10, and the dams of twelve in 2:10, including Flower Direct 2:01, Braden Direct 2:01½, etc.

Second dam Annie Pointer (dam of Hal Dillard 2:04¾, etc.) by John Dillard Jr., sire of the dams of two in 2:10.

As a five-year-old this mare was one of the best campaigners of the west, starting eighteen times, usually over half-mile tracks, often starting twice in a three or four day meeting. She was eight times first, twice second, five times third, once fourth and but twice unplaced. She took her record in the third heat of a winning race over the half-mile track at Eureka, Kansas (her second start in three days), equaling that mark at Muskogee and repeatedly beating 2:10 on two-lap tracks.

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COPA DE ORO 1:59
WINNING PERFORMANCE

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CARLOKIN 2:07 1-2
EXHIBITION MILE 2:05 1-4

Champion Pacing Stallion of the West and Sire of a Champion

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Golden Bay. Height 15.3½. Weight 1160.

Sire of CONTENTION B. (2) 2:24¼, (3) 2:08¼, the latter mark a world's record when made, and but one-quarter of a second removed from present record for three-year-old pacing geldings. Public trial (3) 2:07¼. Also sire of

Chango p. (3).....2:12¼	De Ora (3) 2:17
2-yr.-old record 2:13½.	2-yr.-old record 2:27¼.
Trial (3) 2:09	Gold Lily p. (2)....2:24½

Patrick de Oro p (3)2:22¼, trial (3) 2:08¼, ½-mi. track

Copa de Oro has been retired to the stud for but a very few years and these are from his first foals. Where can you find a stallion whose get have made an equal showing?

COPA DE ORO is the fastest son of Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ (sire of 8 in 2:10); first dam Atherine 2:16¾ (great brood mare) by Patron 2:14¾, sire of the dams of 7 in 2:10; second dam Athene (dam of 2 trotters, etc.) by Harold 413, sire of Maud S. 2:08¾ and the dams of 5 in 2:10; third dam Minerva (great brood mare) by Pilot Jr. 12, sire of the dams of Maud S. 2:08¾ and 3 others in 2:10, etc. He is one of the handsomest horses in the world, as well as one of the fastest, and is undoubtedly the best bred of all extremely fast pacing sires. From the first I heralded him as the Coast's future great pacing sire, and the performances of his youngsters recorded above certainly show that I had most excellent grounds for that belief.

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Champion Trotter and Champion Sire of Trotters in the West

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Mahogany Bay. Height 15.1½. Weight 1060.

Sire of ESPERANZA (3) 2:09, only three-year-old to win every trotting stake for that age on the Pacific coast, and also the following colt performers:

Ethel D. (3).....2:11	Helen Belle (2)....2:22½
Johnny Dugan p (3)2:16	Nicola B. (2).....2:23½
John Warwick (2) 2:17	Santiago (3) 2:24¼
The Lark (3).....2:18½	May Marian p (3)..2:24¼
Carl (2) 2:19¾	Santiago p (2) 2:24½
Miss Carlokin p 2:20	El Carbine (2).....2:27½
Carsto (2) 2:22½	Eileen C. (3) 2:29
Carlschen (2) 2:23	Carlos (2) 2:29¼
Fulton G. (2).....2:30	

CARLOKIN is the best bred son fo McKinney 2:11¼, foremost among the progenitors of 2:10 speed, being out of that sterling producing matron Carlotta Wilkes (dam of Inferlotta 2:04¾, Mary Dillon 2:06¼, Guy Borden 2:07¼, Carlokin 2:07½, and 6 others in 2:30) by Charley Wilkes 3653; second dam Aspasia (dam of 4) by Alcantara 2:23, sire of the dams of 20 in 2:10; third dam Miss Buchanan (dam of 1) by Clark Chief 89, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10, etc. Carlokin was not only a fast and rugged campaigner, but, point for point, one of the most ideal individuals ever foaled. I chose him from among all the best horses of the country as a prospective great sire, and in 1913-1914 his get won more coast futurities than those of all other sires combined. What more could you ask of them?

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Joe Patchen II 2:03¼

A. T. R. No. 47491

BEST MONEY WINNING PACER

By JOE PATCHEN 2:01¼, sire of Dan Patch 1:55¼ and 6 others in 2:10.

Dam, Bessie Bonehill 2:05¾ (dam of 2 in 2:10) by Empire Wilkes 2:29¼; second dam Arab Girl (dam of 7) by Crittenden 433, sire of the dams of 6 in 2:10.

Joe Patchen II comes from a long line of famous ancestors and is himself one of the best known and most popular pacers in America, with all the qualities of speed, stamina and individual excellence necessary to the making of a truly great horse—one of the kind you would expect to find after a glance over the array of famous performers owning allegiance to the families from which he comes. He is an excellent breeder, transmitting uniformly his own desirable characteristics and his few foals in California are promising to the highest degree.

Mahomet Watts 2:08¼

A. T. R. No. 51518.

AXWORTHY* ELECTIONEER

By GEN. WATTS (3) 2:06¾, sire of three three-year-old trotters in 2:10.

Dam Alla P. 2:21¼ (dam of 3) by Palo Alto 2:08¾, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10; second dam Lula Wilkes (dam of 5), by George Wilkes 2:22, sire of the dams of 15 in 2:10.

Mahomet Watts is not only the fastest performer credited to Gen. Watts (3) 2:06¾ (whose breeding on qualities have been prime factors in the rise of the great house of the Axworthys) but he springs on the maternal side from the most firmly established families of champion producers—those of Electioneer and George Wilkes. He is a pleasing individual of fine finish and extreme speed, having a three-year-old record of 2:10 and being timed separately in a race last year in 2:05¼, whose services should be most welcome to California breeders.

Fee for Joe Patchen II or Mahomet Watts, $100 with usual return privilege

Vernon McKinney 2:01½

A. T. R. No. 53803.

FASTEST OF THE McKINNEYS

By GUY McKINNEY 37625, son of McKinney 2:11¼, dam by Guy Wilkes.

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Zomblack 2:26, tr. 3, 2:08¾

A. T. R. No. 54955

BEST SON OF ZOMBRO

By ZOMBRO 2:11, sire of twenty and the dams of three in 2:10.

Dam, Madeline Marshall (dam of 2) by Demonio 2:11¼, sire of 7 and dam of 1 in 2:10; second dam Mamie Comet (dam of 3) by Nutwood 2:18¾, sire of 2 and dams of 21 in 2:10.

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Reg. No. 51956

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FIESTA LOU,	record 2:25,	half-mile track, ½ mile—1:08¾
SELMA PALEY,	trotted ½	mile 1:13¾; one-eighth— :17¾
GOLDSMITH LOU	"	¼ mile :35½
GERTRUDE RIVES	"	¼ mile :36¾
BILLIE BOYD	"	¼ mile :38

This includes the entire get of WILBUR LOU.

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Son of KINNEY LOU 2:07¾ and BETSY DIRECT by Direct 2:05½

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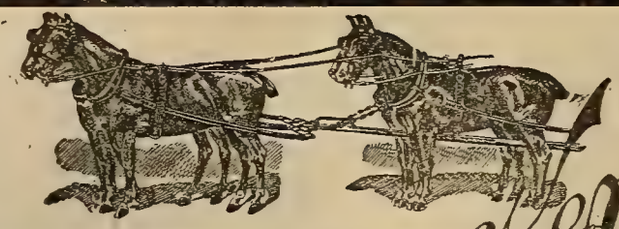
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Everything is in readiness for the big event, and indications point to an opening attendance unrivaled in the history of similar occasions. Visitors from "the outside" are arriving in California in large numbers, and nearly every city or town of any pretentions within her boundaries is preparing to send a big delegation to join in the celebration. The day has been declared a holiday by Governor Johnson, and as Monday also is a day observed by patriotic Americans as a holiday—Washington's birth anniversary—visitors will find the opportunity for their initial trip to the fair most excellent.

The following week the big track will get its initiation at the hands of the auto race drivers, polo is scheduled for the infield in March, and almost before we know it the starter will be calling the horses for the first race at the June meeting.

FOR GENERAL CONSIDERATION.

With everything apparently oiled for the passing of Nevada's racing commission and pari-mutuel bills, and with similar bills under consideration by the legislatures of Arkansas and Indiana, and in fact already successfully through the branches of the assembly in which they originated, there is a widespread interest being taken in this sort of legislation.

California solons have no measures up for their consideration that countenance the laying of wagers in any form, but a local friend of both great equine families, the trotter and the thoroughbred, has submitted for the consideration of our readers in all states a draft of a racing bill that he believes to be acceptable to all parties concerned in reviving racing, and to the general public as well. Much time and care has been given to its preparation, and we recommend a careful study of its provisions to all persons interested in such matters, and especially to horsemen in states where the future introduction of such measures is contemplated. Briefly, it creates a state racing commission supreme in authority and compels racing associations to conduct their racing in such manner as to win approbation from the general public and derive their revenue for expenses and profits from gate receipts, since it eliminates the "kitty" or gambler's percentage. Moreover, state and county fairs or any meetings at which betting is not conducted or allowed will not be under the control of or subject to the regulations prescribed by the state racing commission. Here is the measure in full:

An act to prohibit bookmaking and pool-selling, and to provide for the appointment of a State Racing Commission to grant licenses for horse racing for a limited period, and permit of wagering upon such races by the Pari Mutuel and Auction Pool Systems only, with no charge or commission to be made or accepted, either directly or indirectly, by any person, association or corporation on wagers made or to be made at any race or race meeting provided for by this act.

Section 1. Any association or corporation formed for the purpose of racing and breeding or improving or encouraging the breed of horses and conducting races and contests of speed between horses, shall have the right and power, subject to the provisions of this act, to hold one or more race meetings in each year, and to hold, maintain and conduct horse races at such meetings. At such meetings the corporation or association or the owners of the horses engaged in such races, or others who are not participants in the racing, may contribute purses, prizes, premiums or stakes to be contested for, but no person or persons other than the owners of a horse or horses contesting in a race, and the owners of sires and dams who have nominated in futurity stakes such contesting horses, shall have any pecuniary interest in a purse, prize, premium or stakes contested for in such races or be entitled to or receive any portion thereof after such races shall have been finished.

Section 2. A State Racing Commission is hereby established to consist of five persons to be appointed by the Governor within twenty days after this law shall be in force, all of whom shall have been breeders and raisers of horses for five years preceding their appointment, none of whom shall be an officer in any corporation or association or race track engaged in giving race meetings. The members of said Commission shall hold their offices for four years.

Section 3. Such Commission shall appoint a secretary, who shall hold such office during the pleasure of the Commission. The duty of such secretary shall be to keep a full and faithful record of the proceedings of the Commission and preserve at its general office all books, maps, documents and papers entrusted to its care, and perform such other duties as the Commission shall prescribe. He shall be paid a salary to be fixed by the Commission at a rate not exceeding eighteen hundred dollars per annum, which shall be paid by such racing corporations or associations who shall obtain licenses from said Commission, the amounts to be paid by each to be apportioned by the Commission, which shall on or before the first day of January of each year assess upon each of said corporations or associations its proportion of such salary, the amount or proportion to be paid by each racing association or corporation to be designated by said State Racing Commission. The Commission shall biennially make a full report to the Governor of its proceedings for the two-year period ending with the first day of January preceding the meeting of the legislature. All other expenses of the said Racing Commission shall be paid by the racing corporations or associations obtaining licenses under this act, and shall be apportioned in amount in the same manner by the State Racing Commission. Said Commission shall have the power to make rules, regulations and conditions which shall govern and control in all matters pertaining to racing and for the actual trotting, pacing and running races held upon the track of any corporation or association who shall obtain a license under the provisions of this act, and in all matters pertaining to the conduct of betting and racing on said tracks or on any tracks during any race meeting at which betting is conducted or allowed.

Section 4. Any association or corporation formed for the purpose of raising and breeding or improving or encouraging the breed of horses and conducting races and contests of speed, shall have the power and right, subject to the provisions of this act, to hold one or more race meetings in each year, and to hold, maintain and conduct pacing, trotting and running races at such meetings.

Section 5. No such races or race meetings at which betting occurs, except at State and County Fairs, shall be conducted by a corporation or association not duly licensed by said Commission as herein provided. Licenses shall be granted by said Commission to such corporations and associations to hold races or race meetings at such time and place and for such a period of time as said State Racing Commission shall designate.

In the event that the said Commission should refuse any such license, the said Commission shall publicly state its reasons for so doing, and said reasons shall be written in full in the minute book of said Commission, which shall at all times be subject to inspection upon application by any one desiring so to do, and said finding of said Commission shall be subject to review by courts of general jurisdiction of this State, and the revocation of any license and any ruling by said Commission shall likewise be subject to the review of the courts of this State. No association or corporation shall be entitled to a license who shall violate any of the provisions of this act, and the said Commission may, by a majority vote, rescind and revoke any license granted to any association or corporation who shall violate the provisions of this act, after a fair and impartial hearing.

Section 6. Every race meeting held or conducted at which betting is conducted or allowed, except as provided for by this act, is hereby declared to be a public nuisance, and every person acting or aiding therein is punishable by imprisonment in the county jail or in the State prison for a period of not less than thirty days, and not exceeding one year, and in addition thereto in a suit brought for that purpose by the said Racing Commission in the Superior Court of the county where it may be proposed to conduct such unauthorized racing, an injunction may be obtained against the same.

Section 7. The provisions of this act relative to the payment to the said Racing Commission of proportionate moneys to pay the entire expenses of conducting said Commission shall not apply to race meetings conducted by any State Fair Association, or Agricultural Society, or County Fair, or any association to which State aid is given, or to race meetings at which no betting is conducted or permitted.

Section 8. Every person,

1. Who engages in pool-selling or bookmaking, with or without writing, at any time or place; or

2. Who, whether for gain, hire, reward, or gratuitously, or otherwise, keeps or occupies, for any period of time whatsoever, any room, shed, tenement, tent, booth, building, float, vessel, place, stand or enclosure, of any kind, or any part thereof, with a book or books, paper or papers, apparatus, device or paraphernalia, for the purpose of recording or registering any bet or bets, or any purported bet or bets, or wager or wagers, or any purported wager or wagers, or of selling pools, or purported pools, upon the result, or purported result, of any trial, or purported trial, or contest, or purported contest, of skill, speed or power of endurance of man or beast, or between men, beasts or mechanical apparatus, or upon the result, or purported result, of any lot, chance, casualty, unknown or contingent event whatsoever, occurring within or without this state; or

3. Who, whether for gain, hire, reward, or gratuitously, or otherwise, receives, holds, or forwards, or purports or pretends to receive, hold, or forward, in any manner whatsoever, any money, thing or consideration of value, or the equivalent or memorandum thereof, staked, pledged, bet or wagered, or to be staked, pledged, bet or wagered, or offered for the purpose of being staked, pledged, bet or wagered, upon the result, or purported result, of any trial, or purported trial, or contest, or purported contest, of skill, speed or power of endurance of man or beast, or between men, beasts, or mechanical apparatus, or upon the result, or purported result, of any lot, chance, casualty, unknown or contingent whatsoever, occurring within or without this state; or

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5. Who, being the owner, lessee or occupant of any room, shed, tenement, tent, booth, building, float, vessel, place, stand, enclosure or grounds, or any part thereof, whether for gain, hire, reward, or gratuitously, or otherwise, permits the same to be used or occupied for any purpose, or in any manner prohibited by subdivisions one, two, three or four of this section; or

6. Who lays, makes, offers or accepts any bet or bets, or wager or wagers, upon the result, or purported result, of any trial, or purported trial, or contest, or purported contest, of skill, speed or power of endurance of man or beast, or between men, beasts or mechanical apparatus, occurring within or without this state, is punishable by imprisonment in a county jail or State prison for a period of not less than thirty days and not exceeding one year.

This section shall apply, not only to persons who may commit any of the acts designated in subdivisions one to six inclusive of this section, as a business or occupation, but shall also apply to every person or persons who may do in a single instance any one of the acts specified in said subdivisions one to six, inclusive, save and except that any and all racing associations and corporations which shall obtain licenses to conduct race meetings in the State of California pursuant to and under this Act, may conduct and carry on and permit within the enclosure where horse racing is held betting upon the races conducted within said enclosure by and through the Pari Mutuel and Auction Pool Systems of betting, subject to control by said State Racing Commission in all matters pertaining to the conduct of racing and betting on races, with no charge or commission to be made or accepted, either directly or indirectly, on wagers made or to be made or any portion of the money or evidences of value used in betting to be retained by those engaged in conducting the betting.

7. All persons acting in any official capacity in connection with racing at racing meetings at which betting is conducted or permitted, and such other persons, as trainers, drivers, jockeys and others whom the State Racing Commission shall designate, shall obtain a license from the State Racing Commission.

8. No officials connected with the conduct of racing at meetings provided for by this act shall be allowed to make any ruling whereby any person's racing privileges shall be abridged or taken away from him for longer than one day, and all rulings affecting more than a temporary abridgment of any person's racing privileges shall be made only by the State Racing Commission.

9. A charge for misconduct or fraud in connection with racing against any person or racing association participating in racing or in the conduct of races at any race meeting at which betting occurs may be made by any person or persons who may wish to make such charge or accusation and it shall be the duty of the State Racing Commission to consider and investigate as to the truth of such charges.

10. Each racing association, during the conduct of any racing meeting allowed or provided for by this act, shall make a complete report daily to the State Racing Commission of all money received and business transacted in connection with the conduct of each day's racing, and the books and accounts and memoranda pertaining to the conducting of the race meetings shall be at all times subject to inspection by the State Racing Commission.

11. All expenses of the State Racing Commission, pertaining to the conduct of any racing meeting, shall be paid or repaid as the meeting progresses to the said State Racing Commission, by the person, association or corporation conducting said racing meeting.

12. No charges or fines or license fees, or charges for racing or other privileges, shall be made by a racing association to or against owners, trainers, jockeys, or any one participating in the racing of a particular meeting, licensed by the State Racing Commission, unless all money so collected be used directly and exclusively in payment of purses at that meeting.

13. No charge shall be made at any meeting authorized by the State Racing Commission to owners for entering a horse in any race other than a future stake event, and all charges made for entry of horses in stake events shall go to owners of contesting horses in that race and, if so provided by conditions of such stake event, persons making entries of sires and dams of winning horses in such stake event.

14. All run-up money collected in any selling race at a meeting authorized by the State Racing Commission shall be paid to owners of contending horses in that race, neither the racing association nor any one else retaining any portion of such run-up money.

15. Any person or association or corporation conducting a racing meeting allowed by the State Racing Commission shall submit for approval to a committee or proper person appointed by the State Racing Commission a copy of the races and their conditions to be contested for before entries to such races are made by horse owners, and until such races to be contested for and their conditions have been approved by a person appointed by said State Racing Commission, no entries to such races shall be accepted.

16. At any meeting licensed by the said State Racing Commission no charge shall be made for admission to a betting enclosure or for betting privileges in addition to the charge for general admission to the race track enclosure.

Section 9. All acts and parts of acts in conflict with this act are hereby repealed or amended by this act, in so far as they conflict with this act or portions of this act.

Down Among the Vineyards

About three weeks ago I started to make a trip "down the valley" with Fresno as my objective point, being a little curious to find out what horses and horsemen were doing in the winter time in the raisin belt, and Friday night I "made it" at last, the original start having proven a false alarm.

Like other sections of the state that I have gotten around to in week end trips this winter, the interior has been blessed of late with a most emphatic abundance of rainfall and speed making is not progressing overly rapidly. Up in the Fraser river country in British Columbia where the snow gets neck deep to a skyscraper there is an old time lumber jack chanty that runs in part:

"Weenter-tam een Caribou,
Nossing else to do—
But file an' saw
An' weesh for thaw,
An' cut dem beeg pine log een two!"

and the present situation in California can be reduced to doggerel almost as expressively something like this:

From Mexico to Siskiyou
Nothin' for a trottin' hoss man to do—
But fight th' mud an' jog a bit
An' wait for th'
gosh blamed
rain to quit!

However, if it wasn't for the rain during a few months of the year, California would be one allmighty poor place to live for the balance of the time, and the weather that is keeping the colts in the barn or on the road right now is laying up a whole heap of dollars for everybody to spend later on.

Fresno is one point in California where the fair has been made a success regardless of a lack of state appropriation or the absence of betting, and the plans under way for this year are of a nature that mean a better fair than ever. The plant is being improved annually until it is reaching a very high point of efficiency and excellence, and a number of recently made additions to the builldings and their equipment will be in evidence when the gates swing open on October 5 for the county's one big week for 1915.

While the raisin belt metropolis is in the heart of an "automobile paradise," with a network of excellent roads stretching in all directions in the level valley country surrounding it, and the breeding and racing of the trotter has suffered from that and other adverse circumstances just as it has in other portions of the state, the present outlook is better than for some seasons past and the game there is far from dead. Brood mare owners are making more and earlier inquiries and bookings and there are more horses in training at the fair grounds than for several winters, indications at present pointing to a fair season's business for the district's well bred trotting sires, and to a well filled row of barns in the training quarters at the fair grounds before the time for real speed making rolls around. There are now a good many horses at the track of more than ordinary merit, including untried youngsters entered in the coast classics, green ones of more age for the slow classes at both ways of going, and a number that are already known to the public through past performances, with more of all three descriptions yet to come that are definitely known of.

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Charley Clark, still showing in his gait and general actions the ill effects of Miss Gailey's onslaught at Sacramento last fall, is handling seven head at present, with one exception the property of his principal patron, M. L. Woy, the only "odd" member of his stable being the six-year-old bay trotting mare owned by Nelson & Gustafson. This girl is an Expressive Mac, out of a daughter of Altimont 935, and was the heroine of many a road race to a buggy before she came to Charley's hands, bearing the signs of hard knocks and little care. Under his care the road brands have pretty well disappeared and she is developing into a right good sort of a trotter, with a good way of going and plenty of sizz and spunk. She tangles it up going slow, but knows nothing but trot when she gets strung out. Last year she turned the trick between seventeen and eighteen, and is coming as fast now as the weather will permit.

The Woy horses are headed by the black trotter Pavana 2:10¼, the fastest son of Stanford McKinney and out of the double producing matron Strathalie by Strathway, sire of the good campaigning trotters John Caldwell and Toggles, with marks of 2:08½, and the pacer Cuckoo 2:09¼. Pavana is a horse with an exceptional flight of speed, but has a bundle of nerves that get off wrong quite often and cause him to be penalized in the standing by reason of his behavior, but toward the close of 1914 he was improving greatly. At Pleasanton he won both his starts, trotting his winning heats right at the ten mark, and if he continues to improve in manners this season he will prove a formidable horse in his class. I was better pleased with his full sister, Miss Macklie, now apparently entirely recovered from the trouble that overtook her last season at Santa Rosa. She is one of the "biggest things of her size" in the state, and her last year's work not far from the 2:10 circle gave pretty good evidence of her trotting qualities. Another trotter past colthood is the four-year-old bay gelding Comet W. by Tom Smith 2:13¼ out of a daughter of Junio—a nice bodied boy with a good set of underpinning and a very good way of going.

The balance of the Woy stable are youngsters of the "B" family—the produce of Loma B., the dam of Albaloma 2:08¼, etc. Florence B., the oldest of the band, is a three-year-old filly by Bon Voyage that Loma B. was suckling at the time of her purchase by Mr. Woy, and was just broken last fall, owing to the facts that she was not staked and had also met with a slight accident in the pasture. Lulu B., two years old, is by The Bondsman and is growing into quite a trotter, as she had standard speed as a yearling and is improving steadily. The baby of the stable, Expressive B., is a ten-month-old daughter of Expressive Mac, and she is the boss of the barn right now. She was broken last fall at weaning time and the way she is growing and learning both speed and manners form a very pleasing combination. She is nicely finished and will make a larger mare than either of her sisters. The Loma B. foals are a highly promising and interesting bunch, and will soon receive an addition to their ranks, their dam being now heavy with foal to Stanford McKinney.

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Will Best, who made such a good trotter out of Mabel Van 2:11½ last season, has only two head in training at present but has some more to come a bit later on when the weather conditions improve for speed making. One of them he brought from San Bernardino when he came up early in the winter, a six-year-old full brother to Sherlock Holmes 2:06, owned by E. B. Courtwright and labeled Santa Fe. He is a pretty well put together fellow but has had little done with him to date, his fastest work this winter being a mile in 2:30 at the pace. The other member of Best's stable, also a sidewheeler, is a four-year-old black mare that had a fair kind of a start last year, having gotten as far along as a mile in 2:18 as a three-year-old. She is a nice trim trick with a good lick of speed and a fair inheritance, being by California Guide and out of the dam of Margaret Derby 2:09—Maggie by Abbotsford Jr. Will has them in nice shape to move up a notch when the footing permits.

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Jake Brolliar has three trotters of the "female persuasion" that have all the appearance of being the genuine article in their line. Las Palmas Belle, owned by L. R. Rogers, is his candidate for the three-year-old trotting divisions of the Coast classics, and is a daughter of The Bondsman and Sallie Rogers by Charles Derby 2:20. She is a big growthy lass, one of the huskiest Bondsmans that I have seen, and her education is pretty well under way. She trotted in 2:28 as a two-year-old and in her winter work has been eighths in :16½, a good clip for the time of year. Charles Schweitzer's Stamboulet trotter, Little Bow, out of a daughter of Strathway, is another one of Jake's stable that has had previous work, as she has turned the Fresno track in 2:12 with quarters in :31 with her owner up. Last year she developed trouble and was fired with beneficial results, and if she stands the gaff in her prep she will make a right good green trotter.

Jake's especial pride, however, is his own mare, now five years old, Rozales by name and a real trotter by nature—a daughter of Best Policy and Lady Stoneway by Stoneway 2:23¾, sire of the dam of Zonelita 2:09¼, the good pacer campaigned by Jake in 1913. Rozales has the "bull-doggy" Allerton build and a fine turn of speed that speaks well for her future renown. She has been brought along carefully since last season when she showed her owner a mile in 2:14 and a quarter in :30, and right now she is looking for more territory. She has a lot of steam on tap and is ripe for faster work and will get it, as Jake intends sampling her pretty well before leaving home, and at present she is probably farther along in her work than anything at the track.

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Harry Brown has three of "working age," all trotters, and one mighty nice yearling that he is just breaking, the oldest being Laura Keyes by Alconda Jay, out of Helen Keyes by Sidney Dillon. Harry developed Helen Keyes into a great prospect several years ago but her subsequent handlers failed to have the "key to the combination," and after various vicissitudes she came back to California and as a brood mare gave further evidence of her quality, as her foal to the cover of Bon McKinney, Bon Courage (2) 2:12¾, is admittedly one of the very fastest youngsters ever bred in California. Laura Keyes herself has always had a good turn of speed, with three-year-old work in 2:18, 1:06, :31, but has had a let up owing to becoming with foal while on pasturage at Pleasanton to a two-year-old son of Birdman, out of a mare by San Francisco, the resultant colt being the one now in Harry's stable. Laura was getting a bit of a repeat Saturday morning in the soft footing, and seems to have plenty of natural quality to make a trotter. A three-year-old brown filly by Black Hall, and out of a daughter of California Guide, worked around 2:40 in easy two-year-old training and is doing nicely at present; she is an entry in a number of this year's stakes. Just Right, the four-year-old black stallion owned by John Suglian, appears to be Harry's long suit and he is bred to be as good as anybody's horse—by Tom Smith and from a Director mare. The crossing of the blood of McKinney and Director has produced a number of good performers, including such notable ones as Sterling McKinney 2:06¼ and Lady Jones 2:07¼, and both Brown and Suglian are optimistic as to this fellow's future. He is a sturdy built fellow, with an "old fashioned" head reminiscent of his dam's family, and is taking his winter work in fine shape.

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Abe Reynolds, who is quartered in the far barn with Jake Brolliar, has several head of good youngsters owned by local parties, two of them by Athasham 2:09¼. The oldest is a three-year-old bay filly out of a mare by McKinley — son of McKinney 2:11¼ — that has quite a brush at the pace, and the other is the Stockdale-Reynolds entry for the two-year-old P.-P. I. E. pace and the like divisions of the Pacific Breeders and Pleasanton futurities, May May, a clean going pacer out of a daughter of California Guide. Bert Meigs of the S. P. owns the three-year-old. Abe also has a trotting youngster by Black Hall, from a McKinney mare belonging to the Borton Vineyards, and a weanling bay filly by Best Policy, dam by Star Pointer, that he is breaking for F. B. Stockdale. The Athashams are the only ones that have had more than mere breaking and mannering, and they both are making a nice showing.

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Fresno wouldn't be Fresno without Schuyler Walton on deck with a few head of likely youngsters, and old frequenters of the raisin belt track can go out with every assurance of feeling at home so far as this particular instance is concerned, as Schuyler is in the same old stand with the same kind of goods that he has been delivering pretty regularly for a good many seasons. Two staked youngsters from the establishment that has turned out so many of the California good ones—the ranch of George L. Warlow—are getting the "prelim" for their engagements at present, both fillies, one the two-year-old Ludie McKinney by Stanford McKinney, dam Gadsky by Athablo, and the other the three-year-old Tewana by E. G. Diablo, out of famous old Cora Wickersham. Their real work has hardly begun but they are both well set up and promising. Schuyler has two of his own, a nice four-year-old pacing gelding by Black Hall, out of Narcola by Athadon, that has been asked to do little more than negotiate an eighth in :17, and a chestnut trotting mare by Diablo, dam by Algona. This lass is quite a nice trotter and showed in 2:17 last season, with a half in 1:04. About the farthest developed member of the string is the black daughter of Robert Direct, from a Stoneway mare, owned by C. J. Snyder of Hanford. C. D. King had her last season, and while she was never searched very minutely for the full route, a mile around 2:12 or 2:13 being about as fast as was required of her, she has shown a great flight of speed for fractional distances, with a half in 1:03½ and a quarter in :28½. She is working fine at present and looks like a "real" green pacer. Walton expects some other youngsters poco pronto; one a two-year-old by Black Hall and the other two of the same age owned by J. S. Maben of Visalia, one a brother to El Carbine.

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Joining Schuyler's string and getting its work under his observing eye is the stable of horses owned by I. N. Lipson of Tulare and J. I. Bullock of Hanford, one of the first of the Kings county ranchers to bring in imported draft stallions and for some time a good friend of the light harness horse. With the exception of one horse, the members of the stable are youngsters untried in company, the majority just getting their first taste of real track work. Mr. Lipson has always been a patron of the coast futurities, and the present string includes an entry for both the two- and three-year-old divisions of the local classics for this year, the former being Stewart S., a nice turned chestnut gelding by Chestnut Tom 2:17¼, out of Myrtle Ragan by Colonel K. R. 2:19½, and the latter the brown gelding Palanada by Best Policy, out of Alta Almont by Prince Almont, sire of the dam of Motor Jr. 2:08¼, etc. Policia, the four-year-old sister to Palanada, is doing nicely in her work this winter, and showed well enough at the trot last year to convince her owner that she was worth going on with. As a three-year-old she worked for Lipson in 2:17, halves in 1:04, but as she hardly looked equal to handling Esperanza and Bon Courage he let up on her and held her over.

For the pacing classes the stable has two prospects, one a green one and the other a record horse that was put out of the game in 1910 through an accident in racing. The green one is the six-year-old bay horse Uganda by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, out of that good producing daughter of Grosvenor, Ida May, dam of Homeward 2:13¼, Albert Diredo 2:14½, etc., and he is yet "as green as green," as he has had almost no work and his fastest brush has been an eighth in :17. He is good gaited and promising and looks like he ought to make a pacer. The other sidewheeler is the gray horse Athol R. 2:07¼, the fastest of the get of Athablo 2:24½, his dam being Edith R. by Milton R. This boy made two starts at Lexington in 1910, getting his record in the second heat of the race which put him on the shelf. The bike broke in the arch, causing a dirty

mixup from which the horse emerged with two badly battered front legs which now appear to be in pretty fair shape, though whether they will carry him at his old time lick and repeat remains to be seen. If he stands the work and "comes back" he will be a pacer good enough for anybody, as he has worked in 2:04, with halves well under the minute mark.

Mr. Lipson is with the stable in person, but Schuyler Walton will put the finishing touches on the ones that go to the races, and will drive them in their engagements.

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Frank Malcolm, as usual, has the major portion of his horses at Pleasanton, but he always keeps a few at home at the Calwa Winery for his personal enjoyment, having up a couple of pacing prospects at present, one of which is getting several miles daily on the road in anticipation of more strenuous work on the track a bit later. She is an eight-year-old "picture mare," so far as appearance and individuality are concerned, finely turned and beautifully colored, and, withal, a pacer of some proven quality, having worked a two-lap track in 2:13½. She is a daughter of Diablo 2:09¼ and out of a mare by Palo Alto 2:08¾, Frank's understanding being that her second dam was by Gratt, though he could not vouch for that part of it. At any rate she traces to that line, and if not directly to Gratt, probably to Prompter, sire of his dam, who figures through his daughters in numerous California pedigrees. If Frank decides that she will "do" she will probably go to some of the local trainers for "investigation."

The other member of Malcolm's home guards is a two-year-old filly, being held over a while since she is not staked, heralded as the fastest yearling that ever hit the raisin belt. She was brought to the local tracks last year by C. D. King, who bred her, and when she was barely a full twelve months of age worked in 2:38, with a quarter in :33. Malcolm made a dicker for her and had her eased up on a bit, but before he laid her away she worked a half in 1:10, quarter in :33 and eighth in :16, repeatedly brushing short stretches right up with her elders. She is a husky made lass and is bred in speedy lines, being by Major's By Guy 2:19¼, out of a daughter of Robert Basler 2:20, second dam by Dexter Prince, third dam by Alexander Button. Too bad she isn't staked.

Running in a paddock at the winery I also noticed a familiar looking strip faced, white legged yearling, the Woodland Stock Farm youngster bought at the DeRyder sale by J. R. McKay of Fresno. The lad is a bright little scamp and Mr. McKay is keeping him paid up in his engagements in the hope that he will live up to his pedigree, which runs direct to futurity families on both sides. His sire is Quintell 2:12¼ and his dam is Josie Ansel by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20¼, second dam Josie D. (dam of Joseph Ansel (3) 2:12¾) by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½.

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J. W. Zibbell is jogging a little band of well bred ones on the roads about his farm in the Calwa neighborhood and will move them to the track in the near future and set about making his speed for this season in earnest. Three of the band are full brother or sister to Baby Doll 2:10¼—Ella Mac 2:11½, Eddie G. (2) 2:30, now pacing and pacing fast, and Z. Belle—being by Tom Smith 2:13¼ and out of Kate Lumry 2:20½ by Shadeland Onward. Raisin Girl, a rugged bay mare by Tom Smith that has trotted around 2:12, and a three-year-old gelding by Expressive Mac, out of Kate Lumry, round out the stable, all of them looking in good winter shape and taking very kindly to their winter work.

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I had never seen Expressive Mac 2:25½, but through the courtesy of Frank Malcolm and the efficiency of his Studebaker I was enabled to make a trip to the Nelson establishment near Selma and spend several hours very pleasantly with Harry and his horses. The son of McKinney 2:11¼ and Expressive 2:12½ by Electioneer is a finer specimen of a big horse than I had expected to see, as he is far and away a better individual than most trotting stallions of his weight—which in ordinary flesh is well along toward 1265 or 1275. His stud opportunities have been very meager, and his true qualities are well evidenced in the fact that his two fastest performers, Clara Mac 2:04½ and Vera Hal 2:05, are out of mares who would receive scant consideration from a "pedigree shark" of "fashionable" leanings. This year, however, he is getting a better class of mares booked to him, and Nelson himself is gradually acquiring a nicely bred band of mares of which these few may be taken as samples: Guy's Guycara by Guy Dillon 2:21¼, dam Guycara 2:18¾ by Guy Wilkes; Narcola (dam of Alessandro 2:23½, etc) by Athadon 2:27, dam Lustrine by Onward 2:25¼; Zypress by Zombro, out of a daughter of Stoneway, second dam Dewdrop Basler by Robert Basler; Selma Rose, by Major Dillon 2:18½, out of Russie Russell (dam of Ruth Dillon 2:06½, etc) by Bay Rose. Two of these mares have youngsters on the farm at present and all will be bred to him this year. Two nice youngsters that will be handled this season under Harry's ownership are the three-year-old sister to Eddy Mac (3) 2:29¼ and the two-year-old Ideal Mac, out of Lou Mildred by Major Dillon, second dam Mildred Russell by L. W. Russell, third dam Lou Milton (dam of Lou Dillon 1:58½, etc.) by Milton Medium, both of them having everything in their favor for the making of great performers. Harry does a general breeding business and has a young shire stallion as big as a barn—apparently—and the mares and youngsters about the place of both trotting and draft stock are as good as you find in California. I always liked what Expressive Macs I knew, and now that I have seen their sire I like 'em better—and so will lots of other folks as the seasons roll by.—[Neal.]

HARTFORD'S SIDE OF THE STORY.

While horsemen in general were aware of the friction that existed in Grand Circuit circles last year, especially in the cases of Hartford and the Michigan State Fair, it was thought after the meeting of the stewards at Detroit last month that everything had been smoothed over for the coming season—a feeling that was very "rudely shattered" by the announcement made some days ago of Hartford's withdrawal from the circuit. This action was taken at a recent meeting of the executive committee of the Connecticut State Fair Association, Andy Welch being the only member of the committee to vote to the contrary, and the following explanation of that course was issued after the session by President J. L. Dower:

"The Connecticut Fair Association was made to suffer very heavily last year, not only in prestige, but financially, by the unfair tacticss of the Grand Circuit and their inability to cope with the situation that presented itself when the Michigan State Fair Association, led by Fred Postal, of Detroit, attempted to compete with the Charter Oak meeting. It was not to show spite that the Connecticut State Fair Association withdrew this year, but it was to keep faith with the public, show the followers of racing here that Charter Oak intends to play fair with them, and provide a means whereby the fair association might give its patrons their money's worth.

"There was no hope that the conditions surrounding the Grand Circuit would be any better the coming year than last year after that body, at its recent meeting, elected Fred Postal vice-president. He was the man mainly responsible for the Connecticut Fair Association's poor showing in its race meeting last year, and the failure of the Grand Circuit to even revoke that 500-mile rule, which led Postal to think that he could evade the spirit of the rules of the circuit, meant nothing more than that Hartford could expect little consideration unless it forced their hands.

"The Connecticut Fair Association wants to be in a position where it is not controlled by anyone, and it did not occupy that position last fall when it had to sit tight while the stewards of the Grand Circuit failed to give the Charter Oak track the protection it thought it had paid for. Now, however, we control our own actions this time, and we stand ready to furnish the public the best we can get in horse racing, and are willing to stand or fall on that basis, for we can go out and work to the end that we will succeed rather than be hampered by a body that will not assist us.

"We expect to give a good card of races, far better than any card that we could get by being connected with the Grand Circuit, as that body is ruled today. More than that, we have plans made for a mammoth horse show, patterned after that successful event given last year at the Brockton Fair, and have already had promises that, if we put on this horse show, we will receive entries from the biggest owners and breeders in the country, chief among which is the stable of Alfred G. Vanderbilt, of New York."

The Charity Horse Show is "on" at the Riding and Driving School.

Some Views of the Future

THE AWAKENING.

On several occasions since the outbreak of the present war, we have called the attention of our readers to the opportunities before them in the breeding field. We have urged that every standard bred mare be bred in 1915 to a first-class stallion, pointing out that, since the foreign countries are drawing heavily upon our supply of horses and will continue to take large quantities of the trotting breed from our shores until hostilities cease, there is bound to be a shortage at an early date, which will result in considerably higher prices being secured by breeders.

For several years prior to a few months ago, the demand for the light harness horse of ordinary speed, such as was in general use before the automobile came into universal favor, had been constantly growing less, until, figuratively speaking, this class of stock was a drug on the market. But, since the demand from abroad sprang up late last summer, these horses have found ready sale for cavalry purposes, and it is estimated that one hundred thousand head have been shipped abroad and that several times that number will be exported by the close of the present year. A recent dispatch from Europe announced that more than a million horses had been destroyed in battle or by sickness since the outbreak of the war.

It is the belief of many who have studied the situation closely that the world will soon suffer the greatest horse famine that has ever been known, and the prices for all kinds of equines will, within the next few years, reach prices heretofore unheard of.

That we are not alone in the belief that the future has considerable prosperity in store for breeders who grasp the present opportunity is illustrated by the fact that The Pennsylvania Live Stock Commission recently issued a letter to the farmers of the Keystone State, advising them to breed every available mare to pure bred stallions the coming spring. The advice offered by the Pennsylvania authorities could well be followed by breeders in all parts of America, and, for this reason, we append the letter, trusting that it will aid the Breeder in its efforts to awaken the interest in the production of the trotting bred horse, which, especially in the Eastern states, has been allowed to languish of late years. The letter follows:

"Horse market events have taken such a definite turn that there can no longer be any question of the outcome of horse breeding in the United States; hence we feel fully warranted in bringing the production of market horses to the attention of every farmer. The following recommendations are, therefore, made to Pennsylvania horse breeders:—

"1. Do not take advantage of the present war demand to sacrifice horses which will have a greater value in the spring trade.

"2. Thin geldings and mares of the right type should make good profit on present cost when fit for market later in the year.

"3. Anticipate the market rise by buying required horses now.

"4. Breed your mares, but to pure bred stallions of merit and proven worth as sires. We hope there will never be another war to absorb the product of our errors and shortsighted policy in the patronage of cheap sires.

"5. Study the markets; know what your colts are worth and secure full value for them.

"6. Hold well selected breeding stock in highest regard in view of the responsibility imposed upon American breeders by the suspension of importations and the destruction of stock abroad.

"7. Sit tight; do not get panic stricken, but restore your confidence in the horse business; proceed intelligently; aim high."

Coming, as does the above, from the live stock commission of one of our greatest states, the suggestions made should have considerable weight with the horse breeding industry, and we look forward to a general revival of interest in the production of the trotter during the year 1915.—American Horse Breeder.

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RAISE HORSES NOW.

Horse breeding presents unusual opportunities to the Eastern farmers who, for several years now, have been depending on the open market for horses to do the work on their own farms. Not only does the European war mean a continual drain on the horse stock of this country as long as the fighting continues, but when it is over Russia will be the only country engaged in the war that will not have to depend on the United States for horses for industrial and breeding purposes. This foregone conclusion means that, under any conditions, the European countries will be coming to this country for horses in large numbers for three or four years to come. That means that horses will advance in value and the farmer who depends upon the market for his supply will find it necessary to pay more money for them than ever before. It also means that the farmer who keeps a couple, or more, brood mares and raises a colt each year will not only be independent of the rising market for his work horses, but he will also be in a position to supply to those who must buy and take advantage of the good prices which are sure to mark the next several years in this branch of the live stock market. Just now there is no better form of insurance for the farmer to take out than is presented in a couple of good brood mares. Bred with good judgment they insure the owner against the necessity of paying big prices to keep up his working stock and they also insure him a profitable income from the investment they and their breeding represent. There was never a better time for the farmer to breed horses than the present.—Horse World.

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LOOKING UP.

Judged from our correspondence, there is every indication that this year will be a big one in all angles of the light harness horse industry. From all quarters of the country there are coming the most optimistic letters. Especially is this true of the breeders' business. Stallion owners invariably state that inquiries are much more frequent than any recent year, and in many instances bookings are being made rapidly. The effect of the European war has been to merely hasten the approaching scarcity of this variety of horses, so that the year 1915 is likely to mark the greatest upward trend in values that has characterized any year in this decade.—Western Horseman.

NOTES and NEWS

Do you think it will rain?

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A ticket in the affirmative would get our money this winter.

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Mr. Brood Mare Man, don't overlook the constantly growing number of stallion announcements appearing in the "Breeder."

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Gold Lily (2) 2:24½ by Copa de Oro 2:01, dam Lilly Mac 2:24¼ by McKinney 2:11¼, is at the Nelson ranch to be bred this season to Expressive Mac 2:25½.

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A better meeting than ever is guaranteed at Woodland if the district fair bill goes through, and the customary program will probably be given, "fair or no fair."

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The announcement of the new combination stake for the State Fair, called the Stanford-Occident Number One, appears in our business pages and the conditions are very attractive.

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Owing to newly discovered symptoms of the foot and mouth disease, Kansas and Oklahoma have been added to the list of states against which California is maintaining a rigid quarantine.

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John W. Considine of the Woodland Stock Farm, recognized all over the land as an authority on his favorite families of livestock, is officiating as one of the judges at the Charity Horse Show this week.

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And now it looks like Indiana had a good chance for pari-mutuel pools, as the bill providing for a racing commission and the square deal system of wagers went through the upper house of the legislature with a whoop.

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Woodland Stock Farm's first foal for the year is a bay colt by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, out of Mista Lockheart by Lockheart 2:08½, second dam Madam Headley (dam of Expert Prince 2:13½) by Edwin Forrest 49.

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Secretary Eberhart of the Fresno County Agricultural Society announces that the fair at that point will be given this year on October 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9, and that it will be on a more comprehensive scale than ever. Who will be the next to claim dates?

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Athol R. 2:07¼, the fast gray pacer that was crippled in a wreck at Lexington in 1910, is again in training, being a member of the stable of Lipson & Bullock at Fresno. He was a regular "gray ghost" before his mishap and will be hard to beat if he "comes back" to where he was.

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Niquee 2:13¾ by Joe Patchen 2:01¼, the favorite brood mare of C. A. Harrison, lost her foal by True Kinney 2:12¼ Sunday, owing to a rupture. The loss will be quite a jolt to Mr. Harrison, as her yearling by the same stallion is one of the nicest youngsters foaled at Woodland Stock Farm last season.

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Owing to his numerous engagements as starter and presiding judge, Magnus Flaws has resigned the secretaryship of the Chicago Driving Club. He will this year start at the principal meets of the Interurban circuit, the South Dakota state fair, the Northern Wisconsin fair at Chippewa and preside at the Iowa and Minnesota state fairs.

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M. L. Woy of Fresno has booked Loma B., dam of Albaloma 2:08¼, to Stanford McKinney, and Strathalie, dam of Pavana 2:10¼, to Expressive Mac 2:25½. Both mares are now soon due to foal, the former to the cover of Stanford McKinney and the latter from service by Black Hall, the stallions owned by George L. Warlow.

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Messrs. V. L. and Lawrence Shuler—sire and son—of Indianapolis, arrived at Pleasanton Thursday morning of last week after a quick trip with their horses from the Hoosier metropolis, having made their start from that point on Sunday. Other parties who were expected to send a number of horses in the same shipment backed out at the last moment, but as Mr. Shuler had already delayed his trip long past the time he had originally set upon he bundled up his horses and tackle and came ahead. The horses brought out are Peter McCormick 2:08¾ (eligible to the 2:10 class on time allowance) by Peter the Great 2:07¼, dam Pearl Cecil by Cecil W. 2:28½; Fleeta Dillon 2:08¾ by Sidney Dillon, dam Lady Hilda Hills by Wilkes Boy, and Twinkling Dan 2:06¼ by Dan Patch 1:55¼, dam Twinkle 2:05¼ by Mercury 2:21. The Dan Patch pacer, one of the original entries in the 2:06 pace, is owned by Gen. C. C. Watts and comes out to be handled by Charley deRyder. Both of the newcomers to the Pleasanton colony are highly pleased with the MacKenzie plant and with the way they made the trip, as they had a good run and the horses unloaded in the best kind of shape. Mr. Shuler has rented a house in the Livermore valley town, and will be joined shortly by his wife, so the family looks forward to a pleasant time during the months intervening before the June meeting at the Golden Gate.

The eastern horses pointed for the P.-P. I. E. meetings are beginning to put in their appearance.

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That Juarez track is some strip of dirt. On Wednesday in a match race against Joe Blair at five furlongs, Pan Zaretta reeled off that distance in :57 1-5, clipping four-fifths of a second from the world's record made five years ago at Emeryville by Turn Trick. Wednesday's performance was the Texas mare's farewell to the turf as a performer, as she goes into the stud this season.

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Fifty-two three-year-olds are paid up to date in Stake Number Twelve of the Pacific Breeders series of futurities, the final classes of which are to be trotted and paced at the fall meeting at the P.-P. I. E. In comparison with former events the number of eligibles represents a larger per cent of the original nominations than usual, and "Esperanzas" are bobbing up at almost every wintering ground in the state.

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The latest arrival at Hemet Stock Farm is an aristocratic little bay lass owned by President A. L. Scott of the California State Agricultural Society. She made her debut to a circle of admiring friends on February first, and is a daughter of Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼, the champion three-year-old trotting stallion of the coast, and out of Rosie Woodburn by Easter W., second dam Lady Beth by Goldnut. She is in all the California colt stakes.

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The recent storms gave every track in the state a thorough soaking and then soaked 'em again and some more. However, they are invariably good drying ovals and work was going on as usual by the middle of the week. Woodland caught it harder than any other point reported, as the torrents that spilled from the clouds there put water over a good part of the infield and both stretches—no permanent damage resulted, however, and the last word from the farm was that everything was going fine.

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The Charity Horse Show for the benefit of the People's Place opened most auspiciously at the Riding and Driving Club Thursday evening, with a good crowd in attendance and the various classes well filled. John W. Considine of Woodland Stock Farm, Dr. Godfrey Preece of New York, and Captain Louis R. Ball of the army made the awards, "picking 'em" just about as did the spectators. As our last forms go to press before the show is more than merely under way, all awards are carried over until next week.

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John Francis Heenan, known widely through California under the sobriquet of "Brick," died Thursday, Feb. 4, in Sacramento, of which city he had been a resident for some years. In the days before the advent of gasoline into overland transportation "Brick" Heenan was one of the best known cabmen in San Francisco and many are the tales that the "older heads" relate with gusto with him as one of the central figures. He was the proprietor of a popular cafe in the capital city at the time of his death, and a growing power in local politics. He never lost his love for the light harness horse, of which he had at various times owned quite a number. Delilah 2:06½ was one of his former "standbys," and one of the good ones in which he was last interested is the Demonio pacer Oro Mo 2:09¼ now owned by Charles Silva. He was a prominent figure in amateur circles and never missed an opportunity to be present or take part in a matinee. The remains were brought to this city for interment, and members of the local clubs joined with those of the Sacramento organizations in paying proper tribute to the memory of a good friend, gone from them.

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Mr. W. F. Whittier returned early in the week from an extended visit in southern California, and is more than pleased with the outlook at Hemet Stock Farm, reporting that everything at the establishment, including the "Redoubtable Doble," had wintered in the pink of condition. The farm's former glory winners, Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼ and Hemet (3) 2:08, are full of snap and speed and promise to make their bow in fast company again when the starter calls the fields for the twenty-thousand dollar 2:10 trot and 2:06 pace at the June meeting at the exposition, the pair having been held over for this special occasion since their three-year-old form. They were great favorites with the public then, and will get many a welcoming "hand" when they appear in June. The class horses and their youngsters for the various two- and three-year-old events, both the exposition stakes and the regular classics, are training equally well and promising much in the way of winning form, while everyone is enthusiastic over the yearling crop, prominent among which may be noted a filly by Kinney de Lopez 2:23, out of Louise Carter (3) 2:24 (dam of the farm's premier), and a daughter of Wilbur Lou and Zeta W. by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½. During Mr. Whittier's stay at Hemet a party including Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo McDonald, Miss McDonald and Mr. John Sheppard of Boston and California paid a visit to the farm and were very much pleased not only with the horses but with the "setting" that Mr. Whittier and his associates have provided for them. Mr. Sheppard is an old-time and enthusiastic friend of the establishment, and the McDonald party's opinion was entirely in accord with that of the many others whose names appear in the visitors' book in the office—that Hemet Stock Farm is in a class all by itself among establishments of the kind.

A payment of five dollars is due on Monday, March first, on entries in Pacific Breeders Futurity Stake Number Fifteen, for the foals of mares bred in 1914.

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J. H. Nelson has sold to Ira Owens of Selma a two-year-old filly by Expressive Mac 2:25½ out of Guy's Guycara by Guy Dillon, second dam Guycara 2:18¾ by Guy Wilkes 2:15½, etc. The lass has a blood inheritance of great prolificacy from both sides of the house and is probably the making of another good performer for her sire.

WILL RACE AS USUAL ON CANADIAN PRAIRIES.

The executive committee of the Western Canada Fair and Racing Circuit met at Regina, Sask., on January 26th and 27th, for the purpose of arranging details for the circuit meets of 1915.

It was the unanimous opinion of the representatives that the exhibitions and race meets should go on as usual this year with possibly a slight reduction in the amount offered. The new running rules to control the running races over the circuit were adopted and are along the same lines as the rules of the Kentucky Racing Commission. The only meet which at present is in doubt is the meet at Winnipeg, but it is fully expected that if for any reason the exhibition should not be held at Winnipeg this year, a splendid racing program will be put on on the exhibition dates.

The programs will be ready for distribution about the latter part of February, and can be had on application to any of the secretaries or to E. L. Richardson, secretary of the Western Canada Fair and Racing Circuit, Calgary, Alberta.

NORTH PACIFIC FAIR ASSOCIATION MEETS.

Representatives of the various points included in the above organization were summoned to convene at Vancouver for a two-day session early in the month for the consideration of many matters of vital importance to their interests, the meetings being well attended and the discussions interesting and enlightening. To Mr. George A. Westgate of Portland we acknowledge thanks for the following newsy notes of the convention:

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Members of the North Pacific Fair Association met in annual convention at Vancouver, Wash., February 4th and 5th, with representatives present from Salem, Spokane, Vancouver, B. C., Vancouver, Wash., Chehalis-Centralia, Walla Walla, New Westminster, B. C., Helena, Salt Lake City and Wenatchee.

Dates allotted to organizations holding racing meets are, opening days: Calgary, June 28; Portland, Aug. 2; Seattle, Aug. 9; Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 13; Chehalis-Centralia, Aug. 23; Vancouver, Wash., Sept 6; Spokane, Sept. 13; Helena, Sept. 20; Walla Walla, Sept. 20; Victoria, B. C., Sept. 20; Salt Lake City, Sept. 27; Missoula, Sept. 28; Salem, Sept. 27; North Yakima, Oct. 4.

It will be noted that Portland and Seattle plan race meetings this year while the Washington State Fair again asks for dates in the association apportionment.

The three heat plan was endorsed by the association, also the plan for a starter to go through the circuit, except of course where dates conflict.

It was determined to make classes through the circuit as nearly uniform as possible and the following racing classes were suggested: seven to enter and five to start:

Trotting—2:25, 2:15, 2:12 or free for all, 2:30 and classes for two- and three-year-olds.

Pacing—2:25, 2:15, 2:11, 2:08 or free for all and classes for two- and three-year-olds.

The colt races are for local youngsters.

Early closing dates were fixed for June 1.

Officers-elect for the coming year are, Frank Meredith, Salem, president; Thos. S. Griffith, Spokane, vice-president; John W. Pace, Seattle, circuit secretary, and the next meeting is to be held at Seattle.

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Vancouver, Wash., was an especially appropriate meeting place for the racing end of the fair interests. Here Altamont 3600 held court and founded the greatest family of the north. Here Tecora, the Beautiful Bells of the Oregon region, brought up her foals. Here Chehalis 2:04¼, fastest of Northwest performers, was born.

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John R. Sawyer, Fred Woodcock and other trainers were in attendance at the meeting. Mr. Sawyer was in reminiscent mood and recalled a visit to the old prune orchard track years ago. As he entered the place he noticed a two-year-old black colt with bitting harness on dashing out of the grounds. It was Del Norte 2:08.

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The program presented at the meeting was well prepared and showed thoughtful study of fair and racing problems. The disposition of the various associations is to work together for the common good, and not the least encouraging sign was the presence of railroad officials who promised continued co-operation on the part of transportation interests for the good of the fairs.

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The banquet given the delegates on Thursday evening was a masterpiece of its kind and the Vancouver Commercial Club at once rose to approximate Grid Iron Club rank.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

C. A. HARRISON AND MAGGIE HALL.

Editor Breeder and Sportsman:

The recent death of Mr. Harkness, owner of Walnut Hall Stock Farm, has brought out much comment favorable to Mr. Harkness and his great breeding establishment. I think I may safely say that Walnut Hall is the greatest standard bred horse farm, taken all in all, that has ever existed. An article by Mr. A. L. Thomas in the last issue of the Horseman attracted my attention; this article tells about how Mr. Harkness came to buy the stallion Walnut Hall, whose dam was the great brood mare, Maggie Yeazer, by Red Wilkes. Inasmuch as I bought the brood mare Maggie Hall by Moko, dam Maggie Yeazer, at the Schmulbaugh dispersal sale, held in New York some two years ago, the article was most interesting to me.

I was interested when I first saw the catalog of sale, the first mare to attract my attention in that catalog being Maggie Hall, by Moko, dam Maggie Yeazer, dam of Walnut Hall, sire of the Harvester 2:01, and, strange to say, the first horse I saw when I started to go down the runway in Madison Square Garden was Maggie Hall. I had her in my mind's eye before I ever saw her. I was in love with her, but believe me, when I saw her I was not disappointed, for Maggie Hall is one of the grandest individuals I ever saw and is a direct counterpart of the illustrious horse Walnut Hall.

Well, I bought Maggie Hall. She was the second mare I bought, the first being Ila Moko by Moko, dam Dictator's Last by Dictator. Maggie Hall was in foal to that great young sire Directum Spier 2:11¼ and, take it from me, I gave Maggie Hall some close watching on the long journey from New York to California, and I was pleased when I turned her over safely to John W. Considine on his Woodland Stock Farm. Well, Maggie Hall's first foal at the Woodland Stock Farm was a most beautiful brown filly, and I was a sore Irishman when my friend Considine traded the Directum Spier—Maggie Hall filly off as part payment for Clara Mac. I don't believe my friend John appreciates Maggie Hall fully as a brood mare. Her second foal at Woodland is the yearling filly Maggie Ansel, now in Hunter C. Moody's stable at Lexington, and from all accounts a good prospect.

If any expert on pedigree in California can find fault with Maggie Hall by Moko, dam Maggie Yeazer by Red Wilkes, second dam Docia Payne by Almont 33, third dam Maggie Gaines by Blood's Black Hawk, all great mares, then I will say I am a dead one. I hope some fancier in California will be lucky enough to buy Maggie Hall's 1915 foal. I believe this prospective foal is by Robert Bingen 2:11¼, the very best bred son of Bingen, living or dead. Somehow or other I always have Maggie Hall and her wondrous blood lines in my mind's eye, and some day California harness horse historians will be writing pages about the offspring of Maggie Hall, that is, barring accidents.

I ask your pardon for my long story on the assumption that I am in love with Maggie Hall.

Yours very truly,

C. A. HARRISON.

(Mr. Harrison's "long story" is not merely "pardoned," but welcomed, not only by ourselves but by our readers, because it is from genuine lovers of the trotter that we are always glad to hear. Certain it is that in both Maggie Hall and Ila Moko he selected two of the choicest matrons now at Woodland, and two of the most highly prized. The story by Al Thomas referred to in the foregoing appears elsewhere in this issue, as we had already landed on it as of interest to most of our readers before this communication reached us. The Pacific coast can use more men in the horse business like Clint Harrison, and the Breeder and Sportsman can use a letter from him whenever he is in the humor to write it—or oftener.—Ed.)

PACIFIC BREEDERS FUTURITY STAKE No. 12.

The following is a list of fifty-two sixth payments made in the Pacific Breeders Futurity Stake No. 12, for foals of 1912,—now three-year-olds. The three-year-old divisions of the stake will take place at the Fall meeting of the Panama-Pacific Exposition, Oct. 30th to Nov. 13th, the three-year-old pace on Saturday, Nov. 6th, and the three-year-old trot on Saturday, Nov. 13th:

H. G. Angevine's b f Loma Logan by Prince McKinney, dam Berta Logan by Bert Logan.
L. A. Bangs' b f Anita B. by Chestnut Tom, dam Dolly B. by Welcome.
C. J. Berry's bl g Carl by Carlokin, dam My Irene S. by Petigru.
I. L. Borden's s c Sheldon B. by Barney Barnato, dam Ramona by Prince Robert; b f Little Florence by Barney Barnato, dam Hester McKinney by McKinney .
Mrs. L. J. Boyd's br c Carlschen by Carlokin, dam Bonnie Ailse by Faustino.
Chas. Butters' ch c Honey Back by The Bondsman, dam Lottie Lynwood by Lynwood W.
J. J. Campbell's b f Mabel Bond by The Bondsman, dam Kate Kopje by Cresceus.
Eugene Cerciat's br f Greatness by Peter Wilton, dam Abbie McNutward by Guy McKinney.
C. H. Chandler's br f Birdie Bond by The Bondsman, dam Lady Search by Searchlight.
J. M. Clark's b f Lucille Clark by Palo King, dam Mattie J. by Arthur W.
F. W. Cooper's rn f Cal. 1915 by Sir John S., dam Jennie L. by Moses S.
S. H. Cowell's b c Eugene Bond by The Bondsman, dam Winta Rose by Eugeneer.
Mrs. W. G. Durfee's b c Nicolo B. by Carlokin, dam Athcrine by Patron.
W. G. Durfee's b f by Copa de Oro, dam Leonor McKinney by McKinney; b f Helen Belle by Carlokin, dam Carolyn C. by Axtell.
E. L. Fissel's ch c King Diablo by Palo King, dam Babe by Diablo; b f Exposition by Diomax, dam Mabel by Alex. Button.
Chas. A. Graves' s c Juan Elwood by Chas. Elwood, dam Nellie.
Hemet Stock Farm's br f Allie Lou by Kinney Lou, dam Lady Zombro by Zombro; ch c Oro Lou by Kinney Lou, dam Zeta W. by Nutwood Wilkes; ch c Sterling Lou by Kinney Lou, dam Louise R. by Sterling McKinney.
H. S. Hogoboom's b f Little Express by Alto Express, dam Diwalda by Diablo.
Ed. O. Johnston's b c William Ervis by Copa de Oro, dam California Girl by Zombro.
Mrs. Mabel Lipson's b c Palanada by Best Policy, dam Alta Almont by Prince Almont.
Wm. Loftus' bl g Byron by Tom Moko, dam Reta H. by McKinney.
Leo Lynch's b f Gleaming by Wonder Light, dam Lena Thorup by Prince Charles.
J. W. Marshall's b c by The Patchen Boy, dam Leota by Diablo.
Estate of W. J. Miller's b c Bondalean by The Bondsman, dam Katalina by Tom Smith.
W. J. Miller's b f Maude Bond by The Bondsman, dam Nusta by Nushagak.
Nichols & Holaday's b f Alma Bond by The Bondsman, dam Alma Dexter by Dexter Prince.
J. S. Nickerson's ch c Raya de Oro by Copa de Oro, dam Easter D. by Diablo.
K. O'Grady's b c Joe Geary by Aerolite, dam Helen Boswell by Hart Boswell.
C. S. Ramsay's b f Dona Lee by Donasham, dam Bay Leaf by Telephone.
Rodman & Hoy's b f May Alto by Alto Express, dam Maymonio by Demonio.
L. R. Rogers' b f Las Palmas Bell by The Bondsman, dam Sallie Rogers by Chas. Derby.
F. J. Ruhstaller's br f Tennie Hall by Moko Hall, dam Tennie by Temescal.
Homer Rutherford's br c Geo. N. Patterson by OnVoyage, dam Yu Tu by R. Ambush.
W. L. Selman's b f Miss Emily by Knight of Strathmore, dam Dulce Yedral by Milo McKinney.
J. E. Short's b c Blue Beard by Skido Wilkes, dam Honda Girl.
Shreve & Jaggar's b c Ben Bond by The Bondsman, dam Silver Haw by Silver Bow.
L. H. Todhunter's f Janette Bondsman by The Bondsman, dam Sweet Bow by Bon Voyage.
Dr. I. L. Tucker's b c Oro Bond by The Bondsman, dam Babe T. by Rajah.
Valencia Stock Farm's br c Direct Heir Jr. by Direct Heir, dam La Belle by Sidney.
D. W. Wallis' b c Bondholder by The Bondsman, dam Corinne Sidmore by Sidmore.
F. E. Ward's b c Beirne by Beirne Holt, dam Frecklebird by Red Freckles.
Geo. L. Warlow's b f Tewana by E. G. Diablo, dam Cora Wickersham by Junio.
Bert Webster's b c Rodney Patchen by Joe Patchen II, dam Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon.
Dr. E. J. Weldon's b f Banostine Belle by Lijero, dam Mater Expedio by Knight.
Woodland Stock Farm's b f Ruth Ansel by Prince Ansel, dam Lottie by San Diego; s c Prince Majella by Prince Ansel, dam Majella B. by Nushagak; b c Yolo King by Palo King, dam Viola by Prince Ansel.

KENTUCKY FUTURITY ELIGIBLES.

Secretary J. W. Williams, of the Kentucky Trotting Horse Breeders' Association, announces that 698 weanlings were kept good on second payment date, Jan. 1, in the Kentucky futurity for foals of 1914, value $21,000. While this is the smallest number received in many years, when one considers the great decrease in number of mares in foal the past season (as evidenced by the falling off in entries received in all colt stakes), and the fact that only 928 mares were nominated in the first place, it will be observed that the number of weanlings represents a fraction over 75 per cent of the original entry, which, to the association, is a very satisfactory showing.

The largest individual nominator is Walnut Hall Farm, of the late L. V. Harkness, Donerail, Ky., which kept good 40 of its royally bred youngsters, mostly by the farm's trio of stallions, Moko, Walnut Hall and San Francisco. The second largest group comes from Allen Farm, Pittsfield, Mass., the big majority of which is by Bingara, son of Bingen. W. E. D. Stokes' Patchen Wilkes Farm, which, for several years, headed the list, and has not ranked less than second for many years, is third with 26, due to the fact that it nominated only mares bred to Peter the Great and his son Peter O'Donna, many of which changed hands prior to Jan. 1, and were kept good by their new owners. J. R. Magowan, of Mt. Sterling, Ky., is again becoming interested in breeding on a larger scale, and has entered 21 foals by J. Malcolm Forbes and Mainleaf, both of which were fast colt trotters, and are highly and fashionably bred. David M. Look's 16 youngsters are sired by no less than 11 stallions. An idea of their blood lines may be had when it is stated that such as The Harvester, Bingen, Axworthy, Peter the Great and others of that class are among the 11, taken in conjunction with the known quality and breeding of the brood mares at Castleton Farm. The same is true of C. K. G. Billings' Curles Neck Farm, which comes next with 14 aristocratic yearlings, 9 being by the trotting stallion king, The Harvester 2:01, the dams of all of which are of the bluest blood. The following includes nominators of five or more mares. It will be noticed that the 32 included named 389, and that the remainder of 309 have been made by small breeders of from one to four mares:

Walnut Hall Farm, 59; Allen Farm, 31; Patchen Wilkes Farm, 26; J. R. Magowan, 21; David M. Look, 16; Curles Neck Farm, 14; Hudson River Farm, 14; Empire City Farms, 13; J. E. Madden, 13; A. B. Coxe, 12; H. J. Schlesinger, 12; Hillanddale Farm, 11; B. O. Shank, 11; John R. Thompson, 11; L. E. Brown, 10; W. H. Davis, 10; Forest Park Farm, 10; C. C. Watts, 10; Woodland Stock Farm, 8; John L. Snyder, 8; J. G. Cecil, 8; George H. Estabrook, 8; C. W. Lasell, 6; Hemet Stock Farm, 6; Hart Bros., 6; M. Bowerman, 5; W. T. Deatherage, 5; J. B. Elliott, 5; H. R. Elliott, 5; Chas. W. Leonard, 5; J. C. Small, 5; Cobb Bros. 5.

It is always of greatest interest to breeders to study the popularity of various sires, as evidenced by the number of their get entered in the big futurities, for someone's confidence in the get of that sire is thus represented. The following list of 22 sires with 10 or more mares to their credit has therefore been compiled, and it furnishes an interesting study. Peter the Great heads the list with 42, and the coming sire, The Harvester, is second with 34. The showing of this great stallion is quite remarkable when it is considered that his oldest colts were two-year-olds last season, and only a very few were in existence. Bingara is third with 26, and Guy Axworthy fourth with 24. Manrico, the sensational winner of the three-year-old futurity in 1912, is next with 23, being the first of the Walnut Hall stallions to show, which is accounted for by the fact that the mares nominated by it were divided among seven different sires. Thirteen have records of better than 2:10, 17 better than 2:15, and only three are without records.

Peter the Great 2:07¼, 42; The Harvester 2:01, 34; Bingara, 26; Guy Axworthy 2:08½, 24; Manrico 2:07¼, 23; J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, 22; The Northern Man 2:06½, 22; San Francisco 2:07¾, 20; Siliko 2:11¼, 19; Axworthy 2:15½, 18; Peter O'Donna 2:08, 17; General Watts 2:06¾, 17; McKinney 2:11¼, 13; Azoff 2:14¼, 13; Tregantle 2:09¼, 12; Moko, 11; The Exponent 2:11¾, 11; Morgan Axworthy 2:17, 11; High Admiral 2:07¾, 11; The De Forest 2:22¼, 10; Walnut Hall 2:08¼, 10; Colorado E. 2:03¾, 10.

Below is given a list of the entries by states. It is headed by Kentucky, as usual, which furnishes 225, or nearly one-third of the entire list. New York is second with 101, then follows Massachusetts, Ohio and Pennsylvania, each having less than 100 to its credit. The entries have been received from 30 states and Canada, reaching from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and from the Gulf to the Great Lakes. In fact, they are distributed over the entire continent, as follows:

Kentucky, 225; New York, 101; Massachusetts, 60; Ohio, 49; Pennsylvania, 48; Illinois, 40; Indiana, 23; California, 19; Virginia, 15; West Virginia, 15; Wisconsin, 13; Colorado, 10; New Jersey, 9; Nebraska, 9; Canada, 8; Minnesota, 7; Tennessee, 7; Iowa, 6; Missouri, 6; Alabama, 6; New Hampshire, 4; Michigan, 4; Connecticut, 3; Louisiana, 2; Oklahoma, 2; Georgia, 2; Maryland, 1; Kansas, 1; Mississippi, 1; Arizona, 1; Arkansas, 1.

The weanling list will be published in book form in the early spring in conjunction with the mares that will be nominated in the $21,000 Kentucky futurity for foals of 1915, which will close April 1, at a nomination fee of $5 per mare. Nominators will be mailed copies, as will also all applicants desiring one.

ENTRIES FOR WINNIPEG CLASSICS.

Just too late for our issue of February sixth we received from Acting Secretary G. H. Grieg, of the Canadian Industrial Exhibition Association, Winnipeg, the nominations made by Dominion breeders to the Selkirk Futurity and Fort Garry Derby for foals of 1914 to race as three-year-olds. The harness event drew a total of forty-one entries, several of them from this side the line, while the running event has seventeen nominations, as follows:

SELKIRK FUTURITY.

I. M. Baldwin, Killarney, Man. (not named). N. Bartholomew, Des Moines, Iowa, ch f by Albingen, dam Amare; br f by Albingen, dam Loga's Best; b f by Albingen, dam Lucy Stoner; b f by Albingen, dam Rapid Brook; b f by Albingen, dam Miss Lina; b f by Albingen, dam Chiming Rex; b c by Peter Watson, dam Starlina; b c by Peter Watson, dam Igo Bingen. E. J. Capwell, Sufield, Alta., b f by Urbana Mc, dam Bernice Reid. Crawford Bros., Des Moines, Iowa, ch f by Bergen, dam Lena Marshall. Miss Minnie Gallinger, Leedy, Mont., ch f by Crit Audubon. C. A. Holdsworth, Moose Jaw, Sask., b by Lento Americus, dam Lora Wess; b by Lento Americus, dam Laurane Wess. Holt & Sartwright, Landrose, Sask., b by Prince Directum, dam Nellie W.; b by Prince Directum, dam Nettie. T. A. Jackson, Souris, Man., b by Silver Eel, dam Fleet. Dr. E. S. Kellogg, Helena, Mont., br by Corsair, dam Mabel Ayres. W. A. Little, Paynton, Sask., b by Symbol P., dam Sister. F. R. Moffatt, Souris, Man., b by Major Day, dam Lola Bryson. J. F. McLean, Moose Jaw, Sask., b by Hamlin Jay, dam Floretta W.; b by Major Martin, dam Virginia O. E. McKenzie, Lethbridge, Alta., ch by M. S. McCarthy, dam Sunday Bell. Prairie Stock Farm, Battleford, Sask., b h by Graham Axworthy, dam Neata; b f by Graham Axworthy, dam Marian Directum. W. Stuart, Calgary, Alta., b f by Baron Cross, dam Lady Lightfoot. Smith & Miller, Strathcona, Alta., b c by Silent Chimes, dam Ada Jones. D. C. Thomson, Winnipeg, Man., b by McAdie, dam Nancy Starr. A. W. Trickey, Winnipeg, Man., b by Peter Preston, dam Miss Greenwood. Albert Robbins, Laura, Man., br h by Sam Bernard, dam Sheila W. J. O. Roberts, Suffield, Alta., b by Norta Wood, dam Sylvie E. H. B. Varney, Leedy, Mont., bl f by Crit Audubon, dam Julia A.; b c by Crit Audubon, dam Kahiva; br h by Rurico, dam Caruso. F. W. Weir, Winnipeg, Man., colt by Oliver Bunker, dam Florodora. Chas. Wilson, Regina, Sask., br f by Lew Kenney, dam Rustic Lass; br f by Lew Kenney, dam Alcy Hewes; br f by Lew Kenney, dam Peerless Parole; br c by Lew Kenney, dam Conscription; br c by Lew Kenney, dam Fairy Queen. S. H. Roe, Calgary, Alta., br s by Hal Mercury, dam Inez Brown.

FORT GARRY DERBY.

W. H. Cochrane, Millarville, Alta., b c by Yorkshire Lad, dam Byroad; b f by Chanter, dam Gala. Jas. Dillon, Brandon, Man., b h by Ruby Bird, dam My Bouquet. J. Franklin, Macleod, Alta., br h by Ostler Joe, dam Lady Frankfort; br f by Ostler Joe, dam Barbeni. Asa McIntosh, Prince Albert, Sask., ch by Terah, dam Miss Congdon. Wm. McDonald, Calgary, Alta., bl by Yorkshire Lad, dam Annie Wells. Mrs. J. H. McKenzie, Cochrane, Alta., b by Royal George, dam Grace Darling; b by Golden Plume, dam Tusculette. Geo. L. Owen, Wetashiwin, Alta., b f by Chanter, dam Cogmoment. C. E. Wilkinson, Millarville, Alta., br h by Yorkshire Lad, dam Winnie Wells; br f by Yorkshire Lad, dam Miss Stab; br f by Yorkshire Lad, dam Lady Kilmarno; br f by Yorkshire Lad, dam Woodridge; br f by Yorkshire Lad, dam Lapenza. Alf. Yeandle, Birtle, Man., b c by Gearholm, dam Tacita. T. Evans, Waseca, Sask., bl f by Tynedale, dam Sheila.

SOME INTIMATE HISTORY OF WALNUT HALL

Editor of "The Horseman":

Reading in your last issue "The History of Walnut Hall Farm" reminds me of the facts in connection with Maggie Yeazer (the dam of Walnut Hall 2:08¼) and how Mr. Harkness obtained her. These may be of interest at this time.

In the fall of 1894 The Sangamon Stock Farm of Springfield, Ill., engaged me to come to their farm and prepare all their horses for the Tattersall sale. For reasons that would make another story they changed their minds and engaged me as trainer for one year. They sent all the young stock to the sale that was fit, with me in charge.

At this sale there was a consignment of mares mostly in foal to Norris 2:22¼. My recollections are the stock was consigned by a Mr. Cook of Kentucky, the owner of General Wilkes, Mr. Appel of Rochester , N. Y., holding the mortgage. The bottom had dropped out of the business. I decided to buy two brood mares to breed to Conductor 2:14¼, then owned at Sangamon Farm. I picked Maggie Yeazer for the reason that she was by Red Wilkes. She was the ideal type, could trot herself, although injured, and I had been racing with her brother (Ruby 2:22½), a fair trotter. Her blood lines also suited for the cross. The second mare I purchased was Esmerelda, who also produced to Conductor.

I see in my mind the late "Bennie" Fasig standing in the sale box extolling the good points of the mare when she was hanging at the enormous price of $60. I made one bid, five dollars, and got her. Fasig turned to the auctioneer and asked who had bought her. When he learned it was your humble servant he said: "Bought by a judge, and put it on the book that there is something about this mare that impresses me. She will sometime become famous." Some prophet!

I shipped my two mares to Springfield, Ill. Both proved in foal to Norris, Maggie Yeazer's produce being Noretta (dam of Hedgewood Boy 2:01 and Lady Maud C. 2:00½).

The following fall we had a sale at the Sangamon Stock Farm and sold all of the young things, weanlings and all, but kept Conductor and about twenty mares. I also sold my two weanlings by Norris. I expected to ship my two Red Wilkes mares to my own farm in Marion Co., Ill. The late Chas. Ridgely, seeing the two foals by a grandson of Electioneer out of my mares and noting they could show some weanlings said to his son: "We have no mares by Red Wilkes, buy them of Thomas." And his son did, giving $500 for the two mares that cost me $165.

After the dispersal of their training stable I went to Michigan to train and then to New Jersey.

In 1897 I saw by the papers that the Sangamon Stock Farm had consigned all its horses to a John Splan sale at Chicago, Ill. I was then located at the Bellemead Stock Farm in New Jersey. I attended the sale to buy Conductor for the farm and did. While there Mr. Splan came to me and said, "Al, you know all Ridgely's mares. I have an order to buy some mares for Mr. Harkness. Mark what you think will do and what you consider the best."

I marked a number and said: "John, there is one mare there that will not bring anything. She is injured—some will say she has a ringbone—that I consider worth more than any other mare in Ridgely's consignment."

Splan said, "Give me that book." When she was offered he bought her, I think for about $135, and had her charged to the Walnut Hall Stock Farm.

The following summer at the Charter Oak Park meeting I met Vance Nuckols and he said, "Boss, you put Splan in bad with one of his best patrons. That ringboned mare you got him to buy Harkness refuses to pay for, saying that the Walnut Hall Farm will not be the dumping ground for Splan's sale. We have been trying to sell her to C. W. Williams (who then had his stallions in Kentucky) and others, for what she cost but they don't want her."

I said: "Vance, what is the sex of her foal?" He answered, "I don't know." My answer was: "I will take the mare at what she cost provided the foal is sound." A week or two after I met Mr. Splan and inquired about Maggie Yeazer. He said: "Mr. Harkness has paid for her." The foal was Walnut Hall 2:08¼.

I have had the story from Mr. Burgoyne as to how Mr. Harkness changed his mind. If you wish you can cut out the rest of my letter and get him to tell it.

I asked Harry, after Walnut Hall 2:08¼ became famous, how Mr. Harkness came to change his mind. He said: "When Mr. Harkness first saw the mare he condemned her because she was not sound. That fall Mr. Harkness, on one of his visits to the farm, inspected all the weanlings. Towards evening we came home by way of the half mile track. In the center field was Maggie Yeazer and two or three other colts, her colt lying down on the grass. When we approached the colt jumped up and started away on a fast trot. Mr. Harkness said, 'What colt is that?' I answered: 'That colt belongs to the mare that Splan bought and you refused to pay for.'" Nothing more was said. The next morning when I came to the barn, to my surprise Mr. Harkness came from the center-field. He had been looking at Maggie Yeazer's colt once more. When he saw me he said: 'Have the bookkeeper send Splan a check for that mare.'"

That is the story of how Mr. Harkness became the owner of Walnut Hall 2:08¼.—A. L. Thomas, in the Horseman.

The Breeds of Beef Cattle

[By W. F. Ward, Senior Husbandman in Beef Cattle Investigations, Animal Husbandry Division.]

The decrease in the number of beef animals in the United States, with the resulting high prices which have prevailed during recent years, has caused greater interest to be taken in this industry, and many men who have never raised beef cattle in the past are taking up this line of work.

The question most frequently asked about cattle usually pertains to the breed which should be used in a certain community or under certain conditions. All breeds are not similar; some have superior points to others, and a certain breed may be better suited to conditions existing in one locality or one State than any other breed. For this reason it is well to find out which breed is best suited to local conditions, and to induce as many farmers as possible to raise that breed, because of the better prices which may be secured from the sale of a uniform product and the ease with which suitable breeding stock may be obtained near home. Some information is presented herewith which will help to answer some of the questions which arise as to the value of the various breeds of cattle.

Cattle which are used for the production of beef are divided into two general classes, the strictly beef breeds and the dual-purpose breeds. The former are, as the name implies, valuable mainly for the production of meat, and have been carefully bred and developed in order to produce a maximum amount of beef of high quality. Care has been taken to develop to the greatest extent those portions of the body from which are secured the high-priced cuts of beef. The cows give milk enough for their calves, but not much more. The dual-purpose breeds are a class of cattle which have been developed to produce a fair to good quality of beef, and at the same time the females should give a good flow of milk.

The breeds of beef cattle in the United States are the Shorthorn (sometimes called Durham), Polled Durham, Hereford, Aberdeen-Angus, and Galloway. Each of these breeds has been carefully developed for a long period of years, with the result that individuals transmit their characteristics very readily when bred to native or scrub cattle. With somewhat frequent exceptions in the case of Shorthorns, the cows of these breeds are not heavy milkers, and in this point lies their success as beef cattle, for the milking tendency is associated with a conformation of body which prevents the animal from yielding the greatest quantity and the best quality of beef. The beef breeds have been bred for the maximum production of beef, and only enough milk is desired to nourish and product a good, thrifty calf. They are most popular with farmers or ranchers who raise a considerable number of cattle.

SHORTHORN.

The Shorthorn is the most popular of the beef breeds in the United States, as shown by their numbers and by their general distribution over all parts of the country. They have a great range of adaptability and do well everywhere. The milking qualities, combined with the high standard as a beef animal and the gentle disposition, have caused the Shorthorn cow to be termed "the farmer's cow." The merit of the breed has been proved on the ranges of the West, where the bulls have been used for grading up the scrub cattle of the plains. The Shorthorn crosses well with other breeds or with the scrub cattle, producing from scrub cows calves which develop into fairly desirable beef cattle. The grazing ability of the Shorthorn is not so good as that of some of the other breeds, but where grasses are abundant and feeds are plentiful there is no breed which will surpass it for beef production. The large milk flow insures a good calf. However, the cows have been criticized to a certain extent by western ranchmen because the large milk flow causes many of them to lose a teat or a portion of the udder, as the calves can not always take all of the milk. The Shorthorn is early maturing, growthy, and fattens readily. The steers sell readily as feeders, and although they have not won as readily as the Aberdeen-Angus in the show ring, they produce very high-class beef, with the thick loin and full hind quarter which furnish profitable cuts.

The three important strains of Shorthorn cattle have been the Booth, the Bates, and the Scotch tribes. The Booth and Scotch strains represent the true beef type of Shorthorns, while the Bates approaches the dual-purpose type. The Shorthorn is the largest breed of beef cattle. The bulls attain a weight of 1,800 to 2,200 pounds or more, while the mature cows usually weigh from 1,300 to 1,600 pounds when raised under favorable conditions. Greater weight in both cows and bulls is not rare, but extremely heavy animals are not especially desired.

The color of this breed may be red, red and white, pure white, or roan. No other breed of cattle has the roan color, therefore this color in any other cattle usually signifies the presence of some Shorthorn blood.

In conformation, the Shorthorn is of the true beef type, being wide, deep, lengthy, and thickly fleshed. The great width of the Shorthorns, combined with their depth, gives them a more rectangular form than any of the other breeds, while the wide variation in the distribution of the breed has caused a slightly greater difference in type to be recognized than in other beef breeds. In the cow the following points should be noted: The horn is usually small and curved forward, with the tips pointing inward, upward, or sometimes downward, and they should be of a waxy, yellowish color. The head should be shapely, with great width between the eyes, short from the eyes to the muzzle, which should be large and flesh-colored, with large nostrils; a black muzzle is objectionable to most breeders. The neck should be short and full, blending well into head and shoulder. The shoulders should be smooth and well covered with flesh, the crops should be full, the heart girth should be large, and the fore flank low. The chest should be wide and deep, with the brisket thick and well to the front. The ribs are usually well sprung and the barrel well developed. In good individuals, the back is broad and the loin is wide, deep, and thickly fleshed. The hips are wide and should be well covered with flesh; the rump is long, wide, and level, carrying an abundance of flesh. The hind quarter is better developed in the Shorthorn than in any other breed; it is characteristic in that it is almost straight from the root of the tail to the hocks, and is wide and thick, carrying the flesh well down, thus giving a maximum amount of flesh. The flank is low, the udder is usually well developed, extending well forward, with prominent milk veins. The teats are of medium size.

The bull should possess the same desirable features as the female, without her feminine qualities. He should show masculinity by developing a heavier horn, a larger and thicker neck, a heavier bone throughout, and greater depth, thickness, and scale. His horns are straighter and heavier than the cow's, but they should not show coarseness.

The Shorthorn has sometimes been criticized because of poor development or lack of fullness in the crops, a high fore flank, and a poorly developed heart girth. They are sometimes rather leggy, although animals of Scotch breeding are usually thick fleshed and low set. There has been a tendency to patchiness near the root of the tail and to rolls on the sides, but the breed is improving in this respect in that the animals are becoming more smooth.

For the benefit of persons desiring information as to the principal lines of breeding in this country, the following has been furnished by the American Shorthorn Breeders' Association:

The ten bulls which have probably done most for the improvement of Shorthorn cattle as a breed in the last fifteen years are as follows: Whitehall Sultan 163573, Choice Goods 186802, Cumberland's Last 229822, Avondale 245144, March Knight 188105, Villager 295884, Cumberland 118578, Merry Hampton 132572, Lord Banff 150718, and Whitehall Marshal 209776. The most popular families of Shorthorns in this country at the present time are Augustas, Missies, Victorias, Duchess of Glosters, and Orange Blossoms.

The secretary of the American Shorthorn Breeders' Association is Mr. Frank W. Harding, Union Stock Yards, Chicago, Ill.

POLLED DURHAM.

The Polled Durham is a polled Shorthorn. There are two general divisions of this breed, the "single standard" and the "double standard." The single-standard Polled Durhams were produced by breeding "muley" cows to Shorthorn bulls, selecting the polled offspring and breeding these to other Shorthorn bulls. This grading up was continued until the polled offspring was brought to the fifth cross, which contained 96⅞ per cent or more of Shorthorn blood, and which qualified for entry in the Polled Durham herdbook. The resulting progeny resembled the Shorthorns, but were rather leggy, lacked a thick smooth covering of flesh, and inclined more to the dual-purpose type of animals. These cattle could be registered in the Polled Durham herdbook, but were not eligible for registration in the American Shorthorn herdbook.

The double-standard Polled Durhams were secured by using purebred Shorthorn cows that were either natural muleys or had undeveloped horns, for breeding to Shorthorn bulls. The double-standard Polled Durhams are purebred Shorthorns and can be registered in either the Shorthorn or the Polled Durham herdbooks. The double-standard Polled Durhams were bred chiefly from the Gwynne, White Rose, and Young Phyllis families of Shorthorns.

This breed is similar to the Shorthorn in every way except that it is hornless. It is a comparatively new breed of cattle, and has not become so popular as the older breeds, but it is increasing in popularity. They will do well under the same conditions which favor the production of good Shorthorns. Some breeders have developed the dual-purpose qualities in the animals with the result that there is considerable variation in type.

According to the Polled Durham Breeders' Association, the following bulls have proved to be of great

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ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

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STRIPED BASS REMINISCENCES.

[By Texas Bob.]

My attempts to catch bass began a number of years before the anglers of California learned how and where to catch them. In 1895-6 Al Wilson, Dr. Dean, the late Patrick Boland and the late Wm. Ward, visited a small slough which empties into the ocean a short distance above Tomales bay, and caught a few fish; some days later the same parties went to the same slough, and upon this occasion Dr. Dean, after having ineffectually tried every bait and lure he had, cut a strip from one of his business cards and stuck it on a bait hook, and casting into the current had the felicity to hook and land a nice bass. Up to this time the writer had never known of clams being used as bait for striped bass and no fish were caught on clams that trip. In fact, the only other fish caught by any of the party was one of two or three pounds taken by the writer on a long abalone shell spoon, and the strange thing was that the fish took the spoon when it was lying still upon the bottom. I had become tired of whipping the spoon, and casting into the creek allowed it to settle upon the bottom, placing the rod on top of a fence at the water's edge, I proceeded to rest a spell. Fully ten minutes afterward the fish picked up the spoon and was safely landed. But I have never heard of another fish being caught on a piece of cardboard, nor of one picking up a "dead" spoon.

In 1897 striped bass were noticed in San Leandro bay and a twelve-pound fish was taken by an Alameda gentleman on an old-fashioned brass and feathered spoon; but during the whole of that summer, and the following one, the writer and a few others trolled those waters industriously with every kind of trolling appliance then at hand (the Wilson bass spoon had not then been created), without striking a fish. In the fall of 1898 bass was discovered in Oakland estuary, and during October of that year a few anglers had some fine sport there, taking a number of large fish, all on the juicy clam. And it was during that time that we observed the disposition of the bass to quickly eject from his mouth a bait the instant he felt the slightest weight on the line, and it was this that caused Wilson to suggest the adoption of the old perforated sinker, which allows the line to slip through without resistance when the bait is taken.

In the following year, 1899, bass were discovered by some of the members of the Petaluma Gun Club in the waters of San Antone creek, and in November of that year the writer and the late Henry E. Skinner were the guests, at the club house, of that genial veteran sportsman, Mr. W. S. Shattuck, upon which occasion a few nice fish were taken. And from that time on and up to recent years San Antone creek has produced more bass to the rods of the anglers than any other California waters.

In the main Petaluma creek, off the "twin houses," "wineries" and near the mouth of Schultz slough in the past few seasons some good catches have been made. Anglers who have fished in the creeks and sloughs in the vicinity of Wingo station, particularly in Appleby bay, and also near the railroad drawbridge across Napa creek have also made good catches of large sized bass, but on the whole the general high average should, I think, stay with the San Antone.

As soon as the Wilson spoon was created, it proved the best lure in San Antone creek for several years, but strange to say during a spell of three years, up to 1907, it was almost impossible to get the fish to take a spoon in San Antone creek; and yet in San Pablo bay and elsewhere they took it as usual. Will some brother angler suggest the reason for this? Again, until nearly ten years ago that creek furnished fine summer fishing, the fish running from three to five pounds. Now one can scarcely ever catch a bass there in summer.

Some of the catches made in this creek have been phenomenal. Many an angler has taken in a day eight to twenty bass, averaging from six to ten pounds each.

On a certain Sunday, several seasons ago, when the anglers who had fished that day met at San Antone station to take the train home, it was found that about twenty persons had fished, and had taken one hundred fish that weighed one thousand pounds. In the month of November, 1905, the writer fished thirteen times in San Antone creek and took twenty-seven bass which weighed three hundred pounds, an average of over eleven pounds each, and there have been many others who have beaten that record. For several years the record big bass of the Pacific Coast was one taken in San Antone creek by the late Fred Bushnell, which weighed twenty-nine and a half pounds; but that record was beaten in San Antone by Mr. Will Burlingame on November 14, 1906, his fish weighing just one pound more. Several years ago Chas. Bond landed a San Antone bass that scaled a fraction over 55 pounds and is the record weight for the creek up to the present time. So far as I can learn my old friend, the late Louis Boutillier, is far and away ahead of all others in the record of big fish; his best catches having been made in the summer of 1905, in Russian river, trolling with a minnow, and I regret very much that he never kept a record, for I would like to see it published. One fish which he sent to the city weighed a little over forty pounds after arrival, and Mr. Boutillier told me that he caught a number of fish weighing over thirty pounds each.

It is curious that in the great army of striped bass anglers of the Pacific Coast, no one has been able to catch the "big fellows." Bass are brought to the market weighing as much as sixty pounds, and usually in the months of February and March many can be seen in the markets of thirty to fifty pounds in weight, but the anglers do not catch many of over twenty pounds.

A great deal has been said and written about the habits of striped bass on this Coast, but I am convinced that there is still as much to be learned about them as we already know. I think every observing angler will bear me out in the statement that he is a very uncertain quantity.

We first began to catch bass with claims for bait and that is still the surest and most reliable all around bait, and yet a bass is not a clam digger, nor is he provided with the grinders for smashing shell fish possessed by some other fish; and he never gets a clam except when he finds one specially provided for him by some angler. The best reason I have ever heard given for the fondness of these basses for clams, was given by a Chinese clam merchant, who said "clam make heap light in water, fish see light; come quick catch um clam"—his idea evidently being that the phosphorescence given off by a fresh opened clam attracted the fish. I have known anglers who argued that the neck of the clam alone was just as good as the whole clam; and again others who argued that clams stale to malodorousness, were just as good; but I have observed that the angler who provided large fat clams, and opened them himself as they were needed, were the men who got the most and best fish.

Recently there has been a number of bass caught with "bullheads," as the common bay mud catfish is called. Other bass have been taken on herrings and "splittails." Duck and mudhen entrails have also been a good bait, but with all that the claim still holds.

Although the bass feed upon every variety of young fish, it seems to be difficult to catch them here on live bait, so that anglers generally depend upon the spoons or clams. In 1901 Al Wilson invented his bass spoon, the first successful lure of that kind ever used in Pacific waters for the taking of striped bass, and in October of that year the writer and a friend tried the new spoon in Raccoon Straits. It was the first time it had been used in those waters; and that day we took nine bass weighing 87½ pounds, and during that fall and winter and also during the following two years, many fine catches were made in Raccoon Straits, trolling with a spoon. But finally the fishing there became very poor, and for the last few years so poor that it has been almost abandoned. And this is much to be regretted, for of all the bass fishing we have had in California waters, that of trolling in the clear deep waters of Raccoon straits has been the finest.

As before mentioned, when bass fishing first began in San Antone creek the Wilson spoon was the most effective lure used, but for some time past it has been almost impossible to get a bass on a spoon in those waters, and the writer has put in many hours trying, after every one else had abandoned the spoon. What is the reason for this change of heart on the part of Mr. Bass? On December 23, 1902, a friend and myself, trolling in the same boat in San Antone creek with a Wilson spoon, took eighteen fish weighing 148 pounds in a forenoon's fishing, and without changing spoons; and besides perhaps half as many more were lost. The same day "Billy" Goodwin alone got eighteen, averaging as well as ours. And generally for two or three years the best catches were made on the spoon, whereas for some time past few fish have been taken in San Antone creek on a spoon. Why is this? Have the old fish got wise to the spoon and advised the youngsters to steer clear of the glittering, alluring thing?

Upon one occasion, when trolling alone in San Antone creek, I hooked and lost a large fish; rowing back over the same spot, a fish again struck, and was again lost, but a third strike in the same place secured a splendid sixteen-pounder which, upon examination, showed the two cuts where the hook had torn out after the first two strikes. This fish had struck the third time after a hook had been torn out of his mouth twice; and yet a bass is considered one of the most easily frightened fishes inhabiting the waters. And I think he is justly so considered, and yet I have seen times when a dozen to twenty boats were splashing around in such close proximity to each other that is was often difficult to make a cast without fouling your neighbor's line, and everybody catching fish, and everybody laughing and shouting all the time, clanging oars, moving from one place to another continually. But I trust no one will think that I recommend noise and confusion when fishing for striped bass. On the contrary, I think that usually the quieter one can be the better luck he will have.

It is claimed by some that striped bass are as numerous in our waters now as they ever were; to such I would say, make a close observation of the markets; also note the prevailing price for those fish in the market. Then interview the anglers who go to all points where there seems to be a chance to catch bass. It has been claimed that the bass are spreading out into larger territories, and that is the cause of their apparent scarcity in this immediate vicinity. Well, about fifteen years ago two or three specimens were taken from the Columbia river, but they have never, so far as I know, been seen there since. About the same time two were taken just below San Pedro in Los Angeles county, but no more have been seen there. About twenty years ago they were to be found in Russian river, and in the Sacramento as far as Redding, but as far as I have been able to learn they have not been observed in new locations for years. They were introduced in Pacific waters in 1879 and 1881, and in that lapse of time they certainly would long since have spread out into larger territories, if their surroundings and conditions had made it necessary.

FISH LINES.

In accordance with a long established custom, the San Francisco Fly Casting Club will hold a casting tournament at Stow lake on Washington's birthday. The program of twelve events will consist of both light and heavy tackle contests and with several novelty events added. Medals will be awarded the winning rod manipulators.

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Reports from angling enthusiasts who have paid attention to coast stream conditions are that the outlook for good steelhead fishing the coming season never was better. The ocean trout have made their appearance plentifully in the near-by favorite fishing streams. The recent runs of steelhead will, in all probability, finish spawning in the near future and gradually drop down stream into salt water again. Other runs, however, will continue up stream while the waters are high enough for the fish to reach the upper tributaries where the spawning beds are located, which means that steelhead fishing should be excellent in April when the season opens.

In this connection, numerous experienced steelhead anglers are in favor of having the coast streams open as early as the middle of March and closing them, above tidewater, September 1 or August 1. The claim is made that most of the coast fishing waters have run low by that time, if not before, and all of the large sized fish have gone down to tidewater or into the ocean.

This late in the season, above tidewater, the large trout have been pretty well cleaned out, or as above stated gone to sea or lying up in the lower tidewater stretches or lagoons. The trout left in the upper watters are small sized or fingerlings. To leave these latter fish unmolested until the following season would be, it is argued, providing a crop of decent sized fish for the angler during the first days of the following season and also go far towards a bit of natural restocking.

Operations for taking steelhead eggs will soon be started at the Snow Mountain station on Eel river. Frank A. Shebley will have charge of that station and also the hatchery at Ukiah, which will be run this season to full capacity, the main hatching plant at Sisson will get the surplus stock of future troutlets.

A new rainbow trout egg taking depot has been opened on Burney creek, a tributary of Pitt river, in Shasta county. A hatchery was operated at that point about twenty-seven years ago by the Fish and Game Commission but later abandoned. The Camp and Bogus creek hatcheries in Shasta county will also be in operation soon.

The Sisson hatchery now is equipped with five hatchery buildings; the latest erected is 195 feet long by 45 feet wide. This plant is claimed to be one of the largest trout breeding establishments in the world—with an ample salmon hatching annex.

The reopening of the Burney creek hatchery is worthy of notice from another view. A big run of salmon has already reached that point. This run of fish came in through the Golden Gate, swam up the Sacramento river to the Pitt practically without being detected. The net fishermen on the Sacramento collected but scant toll in their drift nets and further up stream but few fish were taken, not enough anywhere on the up river journey to indicate such a large run. The schools of salmon slipped by underneath the drift nets with but small loss, the discolored river waters all the way up stream probably aided in hiding them from observation.

Another matter of future importance to both coast stream and Sierra anglers was the mission of Superintendent W. H. Shebley of the Sisson Hatchery and Lake Tahoe Hatchery, who closed negotiations with the Santa Cruz county Supervisors for the purpose of taking over and placing the Brookdale Hatchery and also the Scott creek egg taking station, near Swanton, under the administration of the Fish and Game Commissioners. The Brookdale Hatchery has a capacity of 500,000 steelhead and rainbow trout. The surplus of eggs taken at Scott creek will be sent to the Sisson hatching station.

The striped bass fishing sportsmen are elated over prospects for a fishing season of apparently good promise. Many among them devote a day regularly to this pastime for at least nine months throughout the year. Nor will strenuous weather conditions deter some of the striped bass chasers from following the bent of their particular fancy.

Among the San Antone creek regulars recently were Jake Christianson and Bob Sangster, two experts in the game. They landed four fish, weighing 22, 17, 14 and 12 pounds respectively. The 17-pound fish was given to Sam Wells. When he dressed the fish he was surprised to find two 10-inch "splittails," as this small fish is called, in the stomach of the big bass. This find goes to show that striped bass fishermen can bait their hooks with pretty large baits—bullheads, herrings or splittails. Two nine-inch lobes of roe were also found in this bass.

Other San Antoners stayed aboard their arks during that day, not caring to go out in the stormy weather. The heavy wind Monday and Tuesday two weeks ago played hob with the moorings of several arks on the creek.

The prize bass reported for the day was caught by Frank Messager, a 33-pounder, taken near the Napa drawbridge. Louis Gotthelf fishing there was also in good luck, three bass weighing 15, 10 and 7 pounds made up his catch. Near Wingo Harry Palmer picked up two nice sized bass.

Gotthelf tried his luck at that resort again last Sunday and made a big catch, four striped bass, the largest over 55 pounds, is a day's record that promises to be high hook for some time.

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The outlook for both striped and black bass fishing, according to Fish and Game Warden George V. Neale, in Cache, Prospect, Lindsay and the other sloughs of the Yolo basin above Rio Vista, for the coming year is most excellent. High water in the Sacramento river will create the good fishing conditions later on. Whenever the river rises over the 21 foot mark, the high waters spread out over the tule sections. Running through miles of tules the water is filtered and cleared and when the current strikes the Cache creek basin it is clear as crystal. This is the water both the black and striped bass like. And there they find different kinds of small fry in plenty to feed upon.

The striped bass when they come up from the bay waters always work over to the San Joaquin side when low water conditions have prevailed in the Yolo basin. In such seasons both varieties of the bass are not very plentiful in the Cache creek waters and its confluents.

The proof of this is indicated, to a certain extent, by the excellent black and striped bass fishing that prevailed in Middle river and in the San Joaquin for several months past. One net haul of 6,000 pounds of striped bass was made recently by a Stockton fisherman.

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East of Sebastopol, in Sonoma county, there is a marshy creek called the Laguna. It meanders through two large clear water lakes that are well stocked with striped bass, affording excellent fishing in season, as well as good duck shooting in the winter. The Laguna is about 12 miles in length, so states the Santa Rosa Press, follows a north course and empties into Mark West creek near the junction with Russian river. It is more than probable that but few local fishermen have tried Laguna creek for striped bass. Russian river, however, is known to be well stocked with both striped and black bass and there is no reason to doubt the above story relative to striped bass possibilities in Laguna creek.

HUNTING NOTES.

For the past week flocks of canvasback and other ducks have taken matters easy across the bay along the Berkeley and San Pablo shores. The birds seem to understand that the bombarding days ars over and venture close to the shores and the wharves that they persistently avoided a few weeks ago.

The last day of the duck season tempted quite a number of city shooters to hunt ducks near Alviso, close to the drawbridges, a popular shooting ground for many years. Wind and rain, however, kept a majority of the powder burners indoors. It was out of the question to work a duck boat or skiff in the sloughs or along the bay shore. Al Stevenson was located in a good blind and managed to pick up 18 bluebills. Al Baker, who shot near Newark, had to be content with 8 birds. Miles of canvasback, bluebills, sprig, teal and spoonbills have frequented the south bay waters for the past two weeks. The season in the lower Alameda marshes did not end as good as it began, rather indifferent shooting generally being the rule for about a month past.

At nearly all of the bay counties marsh resorts of the gunners a heavy rain prevailed from early morn until night.

The Suisun marsh gun club sportsmen had a poor closing day's shoot, the whole marsh expanse being well flooded.

A large crowd of hunters gathered in the West Side and Los Banos country, down the San Joaquin valley, where it rained more or less heavily, according to location. One hunter found himself isolated in his blind on an island. The water rose and left him out in the middle of a big pond. He waded ashore in water waist deep.

Geese were reported to be flocking by the thousands into the open country down that way to feed upon the sprouting young grass.

Temple Gun Club members, nearly fifty of them, indulged in a combined duck and mudhen shoot Sunday, over 1000 mudhens being killed at the West Side preserve.

The Raisin City Gun Club, composed of Fresno sportsmen, also had a big closing day shoot.

Good canvasback shooting has been the rule near Point San Quentin within the closing weeks. Friday Leo Weinand shot a "can" limit from one flock that came into his blind.

Dr. Henry La Coste and Dr. M. E. Simon spent two days near Colusa for limits of geese, sprig and mallard. E. N. Cuthbert and Captain A. W. Du Bray put in the last day at Willows in quest of geese. Captain Du Bray has a fancy for small-bore shotguns and used a twenty-eight-gauge gun. The "pipestem" bore seems to work well on geese, for out of three chances offered the Captain grassed two birds.

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The shotgun devotees may have a day on valley quail until the 15th inst., when the season closes. For the past fortnight quail shooting conditions have not been good, the rains having soaked ground and cover so that upland shooting has not been what is desirable. Fair weather, however, may offer a bit of decent sport for the closing days.

Quail have been more plentiful this season than last year, especially down in the Santa Clara valley, San Benito and Monterey country. In nearly every district the birds divided into smaller flocks than in previous years. It was not an unusual thing, several years ago, to come across a covey of quail that numbered over 500 birds. The gradual diminishing of the birds in recent years has been attributed by some sportsmen to the dry seasons of 1911 and 1912. Recent observation, it is claimed, has traced the shortage of birds in marked degree to districts where poisoned wheat has been put out for the destruction of ground squirrels. This way of placing the poison, out on the top of the ground instead of in the rodent's holes, is not the system advocated by government officials.

Another great factor in producing a shortage of the quail crop is the automobile party. Hunting parties can go far or near in a machine and almost over any kind of ground. If one section does not provide birds the gunners can select another ground miles away in short order. The whole coast country from Monterey down to Santa Barbara was once noted for quail hunting—the machine gunner has made enormous inroads on the parent stock of birds. Even the Mojave desert and other barren districts of Southern California have been depleted and the big flocks of desert quail, so called, to be found in the arid regions years ago, have been cut down materially. It is extremely difficult nowadays for a sportsman to find ground where there is quail enough to give a young pointer or English setter a bit of training. Even the famed field trials country near Bakersfield, a district supposed to have been well patroled, failed to produce enough birds last month to give the dogs running in the Pacific Coast Field Trials enough birds to work on.

WILD CAT CHASING.

(Concluded from last week.)

To the pack the sprawling roots of the tree present such a tangled face that they can not scale it, though they try manfully, and we lift the smallest of them up so that she can get a foothold on the slippery trunk.

Failing in this, though why we had not thought of it before seems almost a mystery, we glanced along the cliff. There, crouched on a ledge some two or three feet above the highest limb of the tree lies the cat, a little red lynx, so small he seems hardly worth so long a chose.

The dogs are useless now; they have done their work and brought us to the cat; now it is up to the men on the horses to kill it, or to bring it down to where the dogs can finish the task they had set out upon. The little .25-30 carbine, without which the man who happens to head this particular hunt seldom goes out either on horseback or afoot, cracks and the cat falls, quite dead ere he reaches the ground, among the dogs. For a moment they worry it, then go on, down to the little stream where they wallow and roll; but they drink very little despite the fact that they are very thirsty from so long a run after a wild cat. Coyote chases are more gruelling, and there are few fox-hounds who can stand the game. Most of them drop out in the first three miles, so stiff is the gait the little wolf is wont to set for them.

But this is one of the longest, if not quite the longest run after a wild cat in which I have ever participated, and the little lynx which made it must have been in prime condition, else he never could have covered that mile and a half or two miles which he did before becoming so short winded that he had to take to a tree and then to the cliff. In this chase, though, it should be remembered that there are no trees handy which the cat could climb. The country is practically bare except for boulders and ledges, most of the former low, and most of the latter in such shape that the dogs can walk up to them or at best drop down from the top.

A wild cat which has been chased once or twice becomes very wise in the ways of hounds and knows to an inch how high a dog can jump or how far he can climb to reach a limb or a shelf on some cliff. Frequently a cat will pass by a tree which looks good to the human hunter following him, but which when measured shows that there was a fatal defect somewhere which would have let the dogs or the men too close to the hunted.

There is, however, one factor which the lynx never takes into consideration, and that is the carrying power of a rifle ball. The coyote and the fox know this to a fraction of a foot, and can keep just out of range, but the wild cat, if he knew as much as either the wolf or the fox, would keep on running, instead of climbing some convenient tree to be made the target for the hunter's bullets.

I have no doubt that a wild cat—and some mountain lions, though the lion is not so good a distance runner as the lynx—could distance a dog in an ordinary run if they would but stay with the ground, though I have never seen one try it. Hounds occasionally run down coyotes, but they do not get one in ten of those they chase, and the wild cat is a better trickster than is the coyote, though not so good as the fox.

The average dweller in the Southwest has no idea of the number of wild cats which are to be found even in settled parts of California. While hunting the nest and eggs of a certain warbler in the swamps of Orange county for an eastern museum a few years ago, I saw in one day three of the little red cats, getting of course only fleeting glimpses of them among the willows, where they are not usually supposed to be plentiful and where they frequent only such willow grown lands as border the dairy and beet ranches.

Every one of these cats saw me first, as is their business to do, and all I saw of each one was such a section of red flank as could be framed between two of the close grown willows. These lowland cats seem to be slightly redder and darker than those of the same species which are found in the hills, presumably for the same reason that the lowlands have produced the so-called "black rattlesnake" and the hills the "diamond-back."

Song sparrows of the coastwise marshes also are darker than those which frequent the occasional pools and swamps in the hills; those which I have seen at Elizabeth Lake and similar places being noticeably lighter than those around Wilmington, San Pedro and Alamitos, though all are, I believe, supposed to be of the same species.

At Saratoga Springs, Coyote Holes, Owl Holes, and other desert watering places, where there are always song sparrows, the birds are lighter colored even than those at Elizabeth Lake. There evidently is a wide field for the study, not so much of protective coloration as of adaptive feather growth, between the desert and the coastal region in the bird world. There is not less a similar field among the mammals, and one which is even less well known.

Smith mountain, in San Diego county, which locality I believe I have mentioned before in these chronicles, is one of the best places to hunt wild cats in California, as it is the home of so many a lang mountain lion. But the low brush-covered foothills of Orange, Riverside, Los Angeles and Ventura counties also are good grounds for the chase of the lynxes, both gray and red, so that the man who likes riding to hounds has no need to miss his favorite sport out here in the West, only it will be more strenuous, longer drawn out and infinitely more exciting when he really does hit the trail of a stayer among the wild cat tribe. These cats, however, are a good deal like humans; some of them are bound to stick to whatever they start through thick or thin, and others are quitters from the start, so that it depends not alone on the hunter but on the hunted as well for the amount of sport one gets out of the game.

TRAP AND TARGET.

Premier Coast Tournament—Elmer E. Shaner, Treasurer and Manager, requests announcement that the Interstate Association's tenth Pacific Coast Handicap tournament will be held at San Diego, Cal., on July 5, 6, 7, 1915, under the auspices of the Pastime Gun Club. There will be $1,000 added money. The winner of first place in the Pacific Coast Handicap will be guaranteed $100 and a trophy; the winner of second place will be guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place will be guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded.

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Golden Gate Gun Club.—The "Gaters" will start the local trapshooting season with a big merchandise shoot, Sunday, February 21, a day after the opening of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition. This historical event and the Vanderbilt Cup auto races at the Exposition grounds on Monday will no doubt prompt a large entry of shooters from many points—for there will be a host of people here on those days. The local entry will also be a large one. As for prizes there will be enough, and good ones too, to give every shooter, however ordinary, a prize.

The program calls for two 25 bird sections—50 singles. Forenoon race, 25 birds. Grub race, 10 birds—winning team 25 cents, losing team 50 cents per man. Afternoon race, 25 birds. Entrance $2.00, high guns on total of 50 targets have choice of prizes. Grounds open for practice at 9 a. m. Regular events start 10:30 a. m. Loaded shells can be purchased on the grounds.

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Garden City Traps.—San Jose Blue Rock Club shooters cracked out some good practice scores the 7th inst., despite inclement weather. The scores shot were: O. N. Ford 56x60, J. T. Downs 54x60, Ada Schilling 52x60, Carl Schilling 51x60, C. H. Smith

50x60, A. E. Sando 30x50. This occasion was Sando's initial trap shoot and a very good score he made.

Special matches at 20 blue rocks: Ada Schilling and J. T. Downs 16-20. Smith and Carl Schilling 15-20.

Scored match at 30 blue rocks: Ada Schilling and Downs 26-30. C. H. Smith and Carl Schilling 25-30.

The club's regular February shoot will take place tomorrow—100 singles, 15 pairs and also the San Jose handicap, 5 to 25 birds added. The club will send a squad or two of blue rock talent to take part in the Goldne Gate shoot on the 21st inst. The "grand" opening shoot for this season will come off either March 7 or 21, and will be announced positively later on.

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Washington Trigger Pullers—The Tacoma Gun Club extended a smokeless powder welcome to Pete Holohan January 17. Despite foggy and smoky atmospheric conditions a fine shoot was held topped off by a jolly supper and social evening at the home of H. A. Sullivan. During the day a number of ladies were interested observers of the shooting.

J. A. Dague was high amateur for the day with 93 out of 100, F. C. Riehl* 97, P. J. Holohan* 92, H. A. Sullivan 83, J. Brady 84, Reelings 85, J. Cooper 86, E. W. Cooper 84, J. C. Jennings 83, a Riehl 75, J. McAleer 74, A. Barlow 74, Coon 72. A seven man team shoot was the feature event of the day.

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Citrus Belt and San Dunes.—Los Angeles and Pastime Gun Club shooters have been busy as bees at the club grounds recently and with a good attendance at each club's trap ground. F. Coutts Jr. recently made a Du Pont fob run, 98x100, Dodds 96, Toews and Barber 94 each, Charley Julian 91.

Bob Bungay cracked out a 47 on 50 birds from the 21 yard slat. C. H. Knight (21 yards) 41; Knight and H. Phirrmann were top scores, 94x100 at 16 yards rise. Clarence A. Haight, of this city, also participated in a number of events at the Venice trap grounds.

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Coming Powder Puffs.—The Rodeo Gun Club members are preparing for an active campaign at the Salinas traps. The opening function will take place Sunday, March 21. A $100 purse and numerous merchandise prizes will be the inducements for proper gun pointing.

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A New Rifle Club.—The Fowler Rifle Club is now before the executive committee of the National Rifle Association for formal acceptance. The club was recently passed by the State secretary and the adjutant-general and has about twenty-five active members. As soon as the club is fully accepted it will hold shoots at the Laton range, which is now used by other organizations and especially by the National Guard companies of Fresno and vicinity.

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A Three Time Winner.—Lon Hawxhurst, of this city, is not only a clever operator at the blue rock traps but also some rifle shooter.

The indoor rifle tournament for the championship of the Pacific Coast, the most important event of the year in local shooting circles, was completed late last Sunday night. The shots after being measured and tabulated proved that L. S. Hawxhurst is again the champion for the third consecutive year, an honor very rarely falling to the competitor in a trial between the master-shots of the range.

Hawxhurst's winning score counted up 2447, eleven points better than his score of 1913, four points less than the winning score of 1914. Hawxhurst also won first prize for the best three targets in the three-shot re-entry event on the one-eighth inch ring target, making a 75 possible. He also won second place for the best center in the bullseye event.

George A. Pattberg was the winner's closest competitor in the three-shot re-entry event until, almost the last shot, when Hawxhurst scored a possible and carried off championship honors. George Armstrong, champion of numerous shooting contests, landed second in the 100-shot event, with a score of 2423, made a 75 possible in the re-entry match, winning third place, and won first prize in the bullseye shoot. W. A. Siebe has the honor of having made the first 75 shot possible in the Pacific Coast tournament.

PROPOSED MONEY DIVISION SYSTEM.

The schedule of a proposed money division system given below has been worked out by a prominent Eastern trap shooter, who is well known to Coast shooters. The system has gained considerable attention among Eastern sportsmen and presents some novel points worthy of consideration. The claim has been made that this plan provides clear sailing for practical class shooting. When the document was presented at The Interstate Association meeting last December it was discussed at such length that it would not be far fetched to hint that this system may find a place with other trap shooting divisions of purses, particularly when applied to big tournaments.

Views and suggestions of Coast shooters herewith are invited and will be given publicity.

The records show that in the last Grand American Handicap event, the purse consisted of $4268 entrance money, and $500 contributed by The Interstate Association. The records also show that but 55 men participated in division of this sum. The first eight men won $2502.35, while the next 47 men won $2289.

A suggestion has been made to this effect, which can be varied in one or more principles, without affecting the practical working of the plan: At future Grand Americans, charge same entrance money as at 1914 event, but divide it according to classes.

Compose the different classes as follows:—Class A to consist of 22-yard men; Class B to consist of 21-yard men; Class C to consist of 20-yard men; Class D to consist of 19-yard men; Class E to consist of 18-yard men; Class F to consist of 17-yard men; Class G to consist of 16-yard men.

Then divide the purses proportionate to the number of entries in each of the various classes—the proportion for each class to be determined later.

Taking for a basis the same entries, scores and purse of the 1914 Grand American Handicap event, this plan worked out, with very interesting results. Interstate contribution of $500 awarded as follows: First place in Grand American Handicap, $200; second place, $150; third place, $100; fourth place, $50; total, $500.

The entrance money from each class was allotted to each class, so that the 22-yard men would be shooting for their own entrance money, but not the entrance money of any other class, but still have an opportunity of competing for the $500 Interstate Association guaranteed to the first four high guns. Here would be the amount of money competed for in each class as compared with the amount competed for by the same men, if classified in 1914, Interstate's $500 counted in as won in 1914.

Class A, 16 entries, 3.3 per cent of total. Purse, $341.00; 1914 purse $653.25.

Class B, 20 entries, 4.1 per cent of total. Purse, $175; 1914 purse, $178.80.

Class C, 26 entries, 5.4 per cent of total. Purse, $230; 1914 purse, $141.20.

Class D, 62 entries, 12.8 per cent of total. Purse, $546; 1914 purse, $522.60.

Class E, 105 entries, 21.5 per cent of total. Purse, $918; 1914 purse, $880.25.

Class F, 55 entries, 11.4 per cent of total. Purse, $487; 1914 purse, $244.85.

Class G, 200 entries, 41.5 per cent of total. Purse, $2071; 1914 purse, $2170.60.

The number of shooters participating in the money division under the two systems is interesting.

	Old.	New.		Old.	New.
Class A	4	4	Class F	4	13
Class B	2	4	Class G.	24	43
Class C.	3	6			
Class D	9	14	Totals	55	109
Class E	9	25			

A comparison of the winnings, using the 1914 Grand American Handicap as a basis for calculation, of the first eight men shows:

	1914	New System
Woolfolk Henderson	$500.00	$256.40
O. P. Goode	429.10	327.10
A. C. Blair	381.45	259.39
J. D. Parker	333.75	169.34
A. C. Flickinger	286.10	141.68
M. P. G. Hillman	238.40	100.98
I. Galbraith	190.70	98.28
J. F. Couts, Jr.	143.05	70.00
	$2,502.55	$1,423.37

Under this proposed system, $1079.28 would have been taken from the eight high men, and more evenly distributed, at the same time the eight men could not complain of their winnings. The contention is that $500 is too much to put up as a prize for shooting 100 targets, especially when a medal goes with it which is emblematic of the Championship of America. None of the shooters, probably, who shot in this event, ever made $500 in one day in their lives, and the chances are that few of them ever will. Under the proposed system, as compared with the old system, the next 47 men would have received: Old, $2289; New, $2309.56; which under the old system, used up the entire purse, when added to the winnings of the first eight men, while under the proposed system there would be remaining $1036 to be divided among the next 54 men.

Under this system it is also suggested that medals be given to the first four or more places in the Grand American Handicap event, as well as a medal to the high man in each class.

Some of the advantages of the suggestion are: It makes for a more even distribution of the purse, and about doubles the number of money winners, and increases the number of trophy winners; it should be a great forward step in creating a demand for trophies, and the elimination of money shooting; it should increase the number of entries in the big event; it would eliminate much of the dissatisfaction if the event were again won under the same conditions as in 1914. It would advance the cause of "class shooting" and shooting for trophies; and should, at least, be worthy of thoughtful consideration, before another Grand American is run on the old plan; it provides two moneys for every ten entries or fraction thereof, which is impossible, although desirable, under the present method; and it should increase entries for the consolation event. Now, when some shooters make a bad start in the Preliminary and G. A. H. events, they drop out and "lay" for the consolation. The proposed system would keep them in those events to the end.

16-yard contestants in 1914 Grand American Handicap, 100 singles—1. Score. 2. Did win. 3. Would have won under proposed system. 4. Distribution of Interstate money guarantee. 5. Amount in favor of present system. 6. Amount in favor of proposed system:

		1	2	3	4	5	6
O. P. Goode	97	$420.10	$177.10	$150.00	$102.00	.....	
A. C. Blair	97	381.45	159.39	100.00	122.06	.....	
A. Flickinger	96	286.10	141.68	50.00	94.76	.....	
O. H. Binns	95	69.70	79.69	.....	.....		9.99
J. A. Swaby	95	69.70	79.69	.....	.....		9.99
W. Dalby	95	69.70	79.69	.....	.....		9.99
B. Failey	95	69.70	79.69	.....	.....		9.99
G. E. Hiner	95	69.70	79.69	.....	.....		9.99
F. McNeil	95	69.70	79.69	.....	.....		
W. Phillips	94	47.70	35.42	.....	12.28	.....	
H. Schnell	94	47.70	35.42	.....	12.28	.....	
E. W. Ball	94	47.70	35.42	.....	12.28	.....	
B. Cole	94	47.70	35.42	.....	12.28	.....	
P. Krueger	94	47.70	35.42	.....	12.28	.....	
F. Mellus	94	47.70	35.42	.....	12.28	.....	
E. W. Fry	94	47.70	35.42	.....	12.28	.....	
E. Hebard	94	47.70	35.42	.....	12.28	.....	
C. Dimmitt	94	47.70	35.42	.....	12.28	.....	
Guy Cooper	94	47.70	35.42	.....	.33	.....	
G. Maxwell	93	35.75	35.42	.....	.33	.....	
J. R. Swick	93	35.75	35.42	.....	.33	.....	
A. D. Davis	93	35.75	35.42	.....	.33	.....	
W. Rummer	93	35.75	35.42	.....	.33	.....	
E. Apperson	93	35.75	35.42	.....	.33	.....	
C. Carothers	92	.....	17.71	.....	.....		17.71
R. Dicked	92	.....	17.71	.....	.....		17.71
J. C. Rader	92	.....	17.71	.....	.....		17.71
C. McKelvey	92	.....	17.71	.....	.....		17.71
J. Schultz	92	.....	17.71	.....	.....		17.71
J. Winson	92	.....	17.71	.....	.....		17.71
W. Kivits	92	.....	17.71	.....	.....		17.71
R. Munns	92	.....	17.71	.....	.....		17.71
J. Gerstner	92	.....	17.71	.....	.....		17.71
R. Haynie	92	.....	17.71	.....	.....		17.71
C. Henderson	92	.....	17.71	.....	.....		17.71
L. Anderson	91	.....	11.07	.....	.....		11.07
H. Brown	91	.....	11.07	.....	.....		11.07
A. Caplinger	91	.....	11.07	.....	.....		11.07
F. Briegel	91	.....	11.07	.....	.....		11.07
F. Oswald	91	.....	11.07	.....	.....		11.07
N. Sullivan	91	.....	11.07	.....	.....		11.07
J. Wilcockson	91	.....	11.07	.....	.....		11.07
H. Logan	91	.....	11.07	.....	.....		11.07

Two hundred shooters competed from the 16-yard mark. Under present system 24 men on 16-yard mark won $2170.60. Under proposed system 43 men on 16-yard mark would have won $1770.90.

17-yard contestants—

Chas. Riffe	95	69.70	$79.54	.....	.....	$9.84
E. Barker	95	69.70	79.54	.....	.....	9.84
N. Johnson	95	69.70	79.54	.....	.....	9.84
Joe Gray	93	35.75	48.70	.....	.....	12.99
A. Lawson	92	.....	43.83	.....	.....	43.83
O. Williams	91	.....	28.00	.....	.....	28.00
Wolsthine	91	.....	28.00	.....	.....	28.00
Carl Horix	91	.....	28.00	.....	.....	28.00
H. Hildinger	91	.....	28.00	.....	.....	28.00
J. Schreck	90	.....	10.95	.....	.....	10.95
E. Young	90	.....	10.95	.....	.....	10.95
C. Hedges	90	.....	10.95	.....	.....	10.95
J. J. Hamm	90	.....	10.95	.....	.....	10.95

Under the old system four men in this class won $244.85. Under proposed system 13 men would have won $486.95. Fifty-five shooters competed from the 17-yard mark.

18-yard contestants—

J. Parker	96	$333.75	$119.34	$214.41	.....	.....
M. Hillman	96	238.40	100.98	137.42	.....	.....
W. Northcott	95	69.70	82.62	.....	$12.92	.....
A. H. Aber	94	47.70	68.85	.....	21.15	.....
J. Platt, Jr.	94	47.70	68.85	.....	21.15	.....
Lallance, Jr.	93	35.75	48.19	.....	12.44	.....
C. Wagner	93	35.75	48.19	.....	12.44	.....
J. H. Speer	93	35.75	48.19	.....	12.44	.....
Fred Plum	93	35.75	48.19	.....	12.44	.....
B. Kammerer	92	.....	27.54	.....	27.54	.....
W. Riley	92	.....	27.54	.....	27.54	.....
C. Banks	92	.....	27.54	.....	27.54	.....
L. C. Grant	92	.....	27.54	.....	27.54	.....
D. Rogers	92	.....	27.54	.....	27.54	.....
A. Meaders	92	.....	27.54	.....	27.54	.....
C. E. Owens	92	.....	27.54	.....	27.54	.....
H. Dickerman	91	.....	18.36	.....	18.36	.....
Prendergast	91	.....	18.36	.....	18.36	.....
L. Rambo	91	.....	18.36	.....	18.36	.....
J. M. Keller	90	.....	6.12	.....	6.12	.....
Swearingen	90	.....	6.12	.....	6.12	.....
C. H. Peck	90	.....	6.12	.....	6.12	.....
H. Connelly	90	.....	6.12	.....	6.12	.....
F. Kelsey	90	.....	6.12	.....	6.12	.....
J. Knapp	90	.....	6.12	.....	6.12	.....

One hundred and four men shot from the 18-yard mark. Under the old system nine men won $880.25. Under the proposed new system 25 men would win $918.

19-yard contestants—

I. Galbraith	96	$190.70	$98.28	$92.42	.....	.....
H. Bonser	95	69.70	81.90	.....	$12.20	.....
D. Herrold	94	47.70	65.52	.....	17.82	.....
F. Tomlin	93	35.75	38.22	.....	2.47	.....
Ed Silver	93	35.75	38.22	.....	2.47	.....
G. T. Hall	93	35.75	38.22	.....	2.47	.....
L. Gambell	93	35.75	38.22	.....	2.47	.....
H. Shoop	93	35.75	38.22	.....	2.47	.....
J. Martin	93	35.75	38.22	.....	2.47	.....
J. T. Park	92	.....	14.19	.....	14.19	.....
J. R. Taneil	92	.....	14.19	.....	14.19	.....
A. Chezik	92	.....	14.19	.....	14.19	.....
J. A. Blunt	92	.....	14.19	.....	14.19	.....
J. W. Hart	92	.....	14.19	.....	14.19	.....

Sixty-two men competed from the 19-yard mark. Under the old system nine men won $522.60, while under the proposed system 14 men would win $546.00.

20-yard contestants—

D. McMahon	95	$69.70	$69.00	$ .70	.....	.....
H. Wihlon	93	35.75	40.25	.....	$4.50	.....
B. Moritz	93	35.75	40.25	.....	4.50	.....
R. Morgan	91	.....	29.90	.....	29.90	.....
N. Johnston	91	.....	25.30	.....	25.30	.....
W. K. Hall	91	.....	25.30	.....	25.30	.....

Twenty-six men competed in the class of 20-yard men. Under the old system three men won $140.20, while under the proposed system six men would have won $230.

21-yard contestants—

J. Couts, Jr	96	$143.05	$7.00	$63.05	.....	.....
J. Barrett	93	35.75	52.50	.....	$16.75	.....
G. Osborn	92	.....	26.25	.....	26.25	.....
Sam Leever	92	.....	25.25	.....	26.25	.....

Twenty men competed from the 21-yard mark. Under the old system two men in this class won $178.80, while under the proposed system four men would have won $175.

22-yard contestants—

W. Henderson	98	$500.00	$56.40	$200.00	$243.60	.....
S. A. Huntley	95	69.70	42.30	.....	27.40	.....
F. Wright	94	47.70	28.20	.....	19.50	.....
Mark Arie	93	35.75	14.40	.....	21.35	.....

Sixteen contestants competed from the 22-yard mark. Under the old system four men in this class would have won $653.25, while under the proposed system four men would win $341. Compare the "Did Win" column against the "Would Have Won" column and you will see just how the proposed system would affect each contestant.

BREEDS OF BEEF CATTLE.

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importance in the improvement of the breed in recent years: Golden Gauntlet X 1140, Cambridge Lad 3d X 1300, Golden Hero X 2847, Roan Hero X 3613, Tippecanoe 44th 1698, Field Marshall X 1758, Grover Abbotsburn X 3938, The Confessor X 5985, Windermere Tip X 3094, and Orange King X 3242. The following cows played a most important part in establishing the Polled Durham breed, and their names are found more frequently in pedigrees than any others: Imp. Young Mary by Jupiter, Imp. Rose of Sharon by Belvedere, Imp. Young Phyllis by Fairfax, Imp. Ruby by Young Dimple, and Imp. Rosemary by Flash. At the present time the following cows are of families which are most prized by the leading breeders: Imp. Victoria 51st by Royal Duke of Gloster (29864), Imp. Windermere 3d by Grand Duke 31st (38374), Imp. Princess Royal 64th by Scottish Archer (59893), Imp. Lady of the Meadow by Chancellor (68693), and Imp. 12th Duchess of Gloster by Champion of England (17526).

The secretary of the Polled Durham Breeders' Association is Mr. J. H. Martz, Greenville, Ohio.

HEREFORD.

The Hereford ranks next to the Shorthorn in numbers in the United States. Their popularity is constantly increasing, especially where cattle are raised under range or adverse conditions. As a "rustler" the Hereford is surpassed by no breed of beef cattle, and they excel the Shorthorns in this respect. They have been recognized as a breed which responds readily to a favorable environment as well as being able to thrive under adverse conditions where other breeds would not do well. On scant pastures and on the range where water holes are far apart the Hereford has shown its merit. The bulls are active, vigorous, prepotent, and very sure breeders.

Formerly the Hereford was severely criticized because of a light hind quarter, but the breed has improved wonderfully in overcoming this defect during the last two decades. The breed is somewhat less rangy, more compact, and heavier fleshed than formerly. While the Hereford cows have been criticized because of their scanty milk flow, they usually produce enough to raise a good calf. As a breed they have a better heart girth, stronger constitution, and can withstand adverse conditions better than the Shorhorns. They are early maturing and fatten readily in the feed lots.

The weight of Hereford cattle is practically the same as that of the Shorthorn. Mature bulls weigh from 1,800 to 2,200 pounds or more, while good cows weigh from 1,200 to 1,600 pounds. It is not unusual for mature animals of either sex to weigh more than stated here. The conformation of the Hereford is such that he looks smaller than a Shorthorn of equal weight.

In color the Hereford is red with white markings. The white markings usually consist of a white face and head, the white extending along the top of the neck and shoulders, a white throat and dewlap, and white on the underline. Frequently, however, no white is found on the neck or top of shoulders. White is sometimes found on other parts of the body; and, while it is permissible, it is not desirable. A pure-white face is usually preferred, although many pure-bred animals show spots about the face and especially some red around the eyes. The red color of the body varies from a light red approaching yellow in color to a very dark red approaching black. Neither the light-red nor the blackish-red color is desirable, a rich deep red being the most popular. The hair is usually of medium length with a curly tendency, although short-haired animals are common.

The general conformation of the Hereford is the same as that of the Shorthorn, except that the rectangular form is not quite so pronounced and the prominent bones are more smoothly covered. The form is low, compact, and blocky, with well-sprung ribs, broad loin, and wide hips, without the prominent hip bones of the Shorthorn, and with a more rounded and bulging quarter, although developed to a lesser degree in this respect than the Aberdeen-Angus. The head is broad and short with large nostrils, and large muzzle and mouth, which are indications of a good feeder. The horn is longer and somewhat coarser than the Shorthorn, white in color with waxy tips, and curves outward, upward, and backward, or outward and forward, and occasionally are drooping. The horns of the bull are straighter and heavier, and usually grow outward, frequently growing forward, backward, or downward, but seldom growing upward. The neck is short, thick, and blends well with the shoulder. Great width, depth, and length of chest and a fullness of the crops give the Herefords their constitution and endurance, which the breeders have been careful to preserve. The loin is full and deep and the rump and hind quarter are usually well developed, carrying a large amount of flesh. This portion of the body has been greatly improved within recent years, and the tendency to roughness and patchiness has been reduced until the breed now stands out as one showing extreme beef type, with smoothness of form and much quality. For these reasons, combined with their rustling abilities, the Hereford has become the most popular breed for improving range stock. The effects of using Hereford bulls for this purpose has had a great attraction for cattlemen in the Southwest, especially in the Panhandle region of Texas.

The Herefords do well in the South, as the heat there seems to bother them no more than it does in the corn belt. They seem to be especially dapted for use on the larger plantations, where animals are not given extremely good care, and where the production of beef alone is desired. Two or three crosses on the native stock of the South produce a good beef animal that matures early and fattens out well. On plantations especially or on farms with only fairly good pastures the Hereford will give better results than the Shorthorn.

The American Hereford Cattle Breeders' Association mentions the following as some of the bulls which have been most influential in improving the Hereford breed in the last 15 years; Perfection Fairfax, Beau Donald, Beau Brummel, Corrector, Disturber, Bonnie Brae 8th, Perfection, March On 6th, Prime Lad, and Repeater. At the present time the Anxieties, Perfection Fairfaxes, Beau Donalds, and Belle Donalds are the most popular families.

Further information concerning this breed of cattle may be secured from Mr. R. J. Kinzer, secretary of the American Hereford Cattle Breeders' Association, 1012 Baltimore Avenue, Kansas City, Mo.

POLLED HEREFORD.

The Polled Hereford is a new breed developed by selecting and breeding Herefords which showed polled characteristics. The double-standard Polled Herefords are purebred Herefords which are hornless and are eligible to registry in either the American Hereford herdbook or the American Polled Hereford record. They differ in no way from the Hereford except that they have no horns. The polled feature has been well fixed and the bulls when mated with native cattle sire few calves having either long scurs or horns.

The secretary of the American Polled Hereford Cattle Breeders' Association is Mr. B. O. Gammon, Des Moines, Iowa.

ABERDEEN-ANGUS.

Aberdeen-Angus cattle are solid black in color and have no horns. These characteristics are so strongly developed that a bull, when bred to horned cows of various colors, will usually produce calves of which 85 per cent or more are black in color and hornless. Occasionally a red animal is found in this breed, but the color is not popular among breeders. While the Aberdeen-Angus is an old breed, it is only within recent years that it has been so popular in the United States. They are good rustlers, they have never been as popular on the ranges of the West as either the Hereford or the Shorthorn. They stand next to the Hereford and above the Shorthorn as grazers on scanty pastures. This breed is extremely valuable for grading up native cattle, but they have been criticized to a certain extent by rangemen because they do not get a greater percentage of calves. This has usually been true where they have been in a herd with horned bulls. If all the bulls were either polled or dehorned there would doubtless be less ground for this claim. The milking qualities of the cows are only fair; they give more milk than the Hereford, but not as much as the Shorthorn. A suffcient quantity of milk is produced to raise a good calf.

This breed is very early maturing, and has a tendency to fatten well at any age, hence their popularity for producing baby beef. In general form they are different from the Shorthorn and Hereford. The body is more cylindrical in shape, and they are smoother throughout than either of the breeds named. The Angus responds quickly to good treatment, and, because of their readiness to fatten, early maturity, exceptional vigor, high quality, general smoothness and uniformity, and the high percentage of valuable meat produced, it is the most popular of all beef breeds among cattle feeders. They usually dress out a higher percentage of marketable meat than any other breed, and their merit has been shown by the repeated winnings they have made in the show ring and on the block.

They stand either heat or cold well, and are popular in the South as well as in the corn belt. Because of their reputation for finishing smoothly and killing out well they are very popular in the corn belt and neighboring States where much feeding is done. They are becoming more popular in the South, and rank next to the Hereford and above the Shorthorn in their general adaptability to average southern conditions.

The head of the Angus shows a sharp tapered poll, great breadth between the eyes, a prominent forehead, prominent eyes, a nose of medium length, a large mouth and muzzle, and large nostrils. They are more restless or nervous than the Shorthorn. The neck is short, full, and has a well-developed crest in the bull, but it does not always blend smoothly with the shoulders, which are sometimes a little prominent. The chest shows great depth, width, and length. The body is cylindrical in shape and does not show the squareness or blockiness of the Shorthorn and the Hereford, but is noted for its compactness and good covering of flesh. The ribs are well sprung, curved, and long, giving the cylindrical form to the body. The loin and rump are well fleshed and deeply covered, but entirely different in shape from the Shorthorn, as the great width and squareness are absent. The deep covering of flesh of the rump, the smallness of bone and the deep, rounding, bulging hindquarter gives a maximum amount of meat. Note the difference in the hindquarter of the Angus and the Shorthorn. The latter is broad and straight from pin bones to the hock, while the Aberdeen-Angus has less breadth and a very rounded bulging quarter with a deep twist. The Angus is not so low in the flank as the Shorthorn and some individuals are light in the hindquarter.

The quality of the animal is unsurpassed, as shown by the soft, pliable, mellow skin and fine hair. The meat is fine-grained and of the highest quality. The constitution and vigor of this breed as indicated by well-developed chest and good heart girth are worthy of mention. For grading up native stock and for crossing, they hold an enviable record.

We are informed by the breeders' association that some of the bulls which have been most prominent in improving the Aberdeen-Angus breed during the last fifteen years are Heather Lad of Emerson 2d 19049, Black Monarch of Emerson 30331, Black Woodlawn 42088, Lucy's Prince 46181, Prince Ito 50006, Baden Lad 61883, Blackbird Ito 64116, Star of Denison 82426, Sir Blackbird 98347, Earl Eric of Ballindalloch 100422, and Undulata Blackcap Ito 2d 116275. The leading families in this country at the present time are Blackbirds, Trojan Erica, Pride of Aberdeen, Queen Mother, and Heather Bloom.

The secretary of the American Aberdeen-Angus Breeders' Association is Mr. Charles Gray, Union Stock Yards, Chicago, Ill.

GALLOWAY.

The Galloway is one of the oldest breeds of cattle. They are polled, solid black in color, though occasionally some brown is shown, and have a long, curly, silky coat. This breed is very prepotent and transmits the black color and polled characteristics readily to offspring from cows of any color. As high as 90 per cent of the calves from various-colored cows are black, and from 95 to 99 per cent of the offspring from horned cows are polled. This breed is slow maturing when compared to the Aberdeen-Angus or the Hereford. In size they are smaller than any of the other beef breeds. Mature bulls usually weigh from 1,700 to 1,900 pounds, while the mature cows weigh from 1,000 to 1,300 pounds each.

These cattle are exceedingly good rustlers, not being excelled by any other beef breed in this respect, and their long, silky coat of hair enables them to stand severe weather with little discomfort. For these reasons they have proved to be very valuable on some of the ranges of the Northwest and of Canada. They do not respond so readily to good treatment and to plenty of feed as do the other breeds, and have therefore not become popular in the corn-belt States.

In form they are low set and deep, but are proportionately longer than the Aberdeen-Angus and flatter of rib. The head is somewhat similar to that of the Angus, except that the poll is not as sharp. The head is covered with long wavy hair and the ear is set farther back from the forehead. The body is long and of medium depth. The rump is long and well filled, although the tail head is usually set rather high. The hind quarter is usually good, being full, similar to that of the Angus. The bone is fine, the skin mellow, the hair soft and silky, and the grain of the meat is fine and high in quality. Little attention has been devoted to the milking qualities of Galloway cows, but they give enough milk to raise a good calf. The milk is regarded as ranking high in butterfat and having good quality. The Galloways have commanded especial attention because of their prepotency and the uniformity of the offspring when the bulls are used for grading up or for crossing.

This breed will probably never be very popular in the United States except in the Northwest, where climatic conditions are severe and the range grasses are often scant. In that section, however, the bulls could be used advantageously for grading up native stock.

According to the American Galloway Breeders' Association, the following bulls have played a most important part in the improvement of this breed of cattle during recent years: Worthy 3d 21228 (7762), Scottish Standard 15221 (6488), Druid of Castlemilk 17054 (6159),Captain 4th of Tarbreoch 30933 (9701), Great Scot (6489), Bondsman (7306), Excelsior (7702), The Pathfinder 3d (5991), Keystone (9689), and Sweepstakes (10001). The most popular families, ranking in the order named, are: Maggie, tracing to Maggie of Blackjark (6046); Alice, tracing to Alice of Castlemilk (14282); Nancy Lee, tracing to Nancy Lee of Castlemilk (11971); Lizzie, tracing to Lizzie of Breckonhill (3366); Dora, tracing to Dora of Priesthaugh (7008); and Lady Stanley, tracing to Lady Stanley (1670).

Specific information concerning the Galloway cattle can be secured from Mr. R. W. Brown, secretary, American Galloway Breeders' Association, Carrollton, Mo.

MARKET OUTLOOK AT CHICAGO.

Closure of the shipping outlet to eastern slaughterers at Chicago has restored the same unsatisfactory conditions that existed last November. Nothing that walks on four feet has a stable value. Late last week, following the embargo, declines of 25@50 cents occurred, but as the country promptly reduced supply to meager proportions recovery has occurred. Wide swings are the rule, however, and as it is a packer market congestion is easily created. Horse trade is under the bullish influence of European army demand, grain values are steadily soaring and even fine wools are feeling the uplifting influence of scarcity of everything needed for fabric making. Export demand for wheat is unappeasable, but European purchasing of corn is still deferred, although the trade is confident that growing scarcity of wheat will necessitate the use of that grain in large quantities.—Breeder's Gazette.

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DON PRONTO 2:02¼,

eight years old, pacer, no straps, needs no boots; sound, not a blemish or a puff. Any amateur can drive him as well as a professional; has been in 2:02 with a 230 pound amateur up. This is a matter of record. Don Pronto is the cleverest all-round high class pacer in the country. Has held a world's record and is from the dam of Manrico (3) 2:07¼, a world's record holder. Is bred to be a great sire, being by THE DIRECTOR GENERAL (sire also of Wy-Drad 2:04¼, William O. 2:04¼, Mainsheet 2:05, Deuchester 2:07, etc., 8 in 2:10), and out of SILURIAN, that wonderful producing daughter of Wilton. Don Pronto was the biggest money winning free-for-all pacer in the west both in 1913 and 1914. Can surely beat his record. Is very beautiful, pleasant and a great favorite. **Price $1750.00.**

ALARICH 2:11¼ (Breeder's mark 2:09),

trotter, bay gelding with black points, 15.3, handsome, sound, fast and game; trialed at Santa Rosa last season in 2:06¾ and can do it again. Is a first class doer, can race twice a week and is eligible to the 2:13 class trots on mile tracks and to the 2:18 class on half-mile tracks; has shown well on the twice-arounds. **Price, $650.00.**

HELEN BELLE (2) 2:22½, breeder's record, bay filly, foaled 1912, good gaited, good headed, sound and extremely fast; was taken up absolutely green on Sept. 3 and has developed in a most satisfactory manner, taking her mark in December, since which time she has been an eighth in :16, half in 1:09. Sired by California's greatest sire of colt trotters, CARLOKIN 2:07½. First dam Carolyn C. by Axtell (3) 2:12 (a champion); second dam by Expedition, sire of Bon Voyage 2:08; third dam by Princeps (son of Woodford Mamb.); fourth dam by Hambletonian 10.

Carolyn C. had two minute speed. This great filly is entered and paid up in the Occident stake, the State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A., and Oregon Futurities for 1915. **The best buy in California at $1600.**

NELLIE Mc,

black mare, trotter, eight years old, racing sound but is blemished; has always trained sound and I believe will continue to do so. Trialed at Sacramento in 2:10½ and has been a half lately in 1:03¾. Is a splendid mannered mare—anyone can drive her anywhere. She races first class, is fast, good headed, good gaited and dead game.

Sired by ZOLOCK 2:05¼, dam by Wilkes Moor, son of Guy Wilkes.

Stands about 15.3, is a round made extra good looking mare, weighs about 1140, has splendid legs and feet. She negotiates a half mile circle in A-1 style, should surely beat 2:10 this year. Does not pull a pound and can be placed anywhere. Eligible to any class. **Price $1000.00.**

CARLETA,

bay filly, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ALEXANDRIA, tr. 2:20, by Bon Voyage 2:08; second dam by Oakland Baron 2:09¼; third dam by Allandorf, etc.

This is a good trotter and should be prominent in her stake engagements. Is very handsome, good headed, sound and comes from familes noted for early speed. She has been up from pasture about eight weeks and trialed this week in 2:49 very easily, last eighth in :19¼.

She is entered and paid up to date in the following stakes: Panama-Pacific $3,000 for two-year-olds, Stanford, Occident, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. **Take her at one-third her value, $650.00.**

O M A R, gelding,

trotter, trial 2:13¾, half in 1:05, eighths in :15; good headed, sound and can be depended upon. Is a beautifully gaited big horse and should prove useful to race over the twice arounds or for a matinee and road horse. He is fearless and is one of the most pleasant driving horses I have ever ridden behind. Stands slightly over 16 hands, weighs about 1200, is eight years old. Sired by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam Pineapple by Albion (son of General Benton). **A present at $350.00.**

CARLSCHEN (2) 2:23, breeder's record, brown gelding by CARLOKIN, dam BONNIE AILSIE 2:08½ (dam of Contention B. (3) 2:08¼) by Faustino, son of Sidney.

Trialed with a little work last year a half in 1:09, is extremely promising and looks to be as good a prospect as any of the colts racing last year in the two-year-old trots. Is engaged in several of the futurities including the P. C. T. H. B. A., Pleasanton and State Fair Futurities. Is a splendid type, beautifully gaited, good headed and has extreme speed. He does it right. **Price $800.00.**

HERMES, brown colt,

two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam MISS QUEALY (full sister to Manrico 2:07¼).

This is one of the most promising trotters I have ever handled. Is an especially nice gaited colt, can show a 2:20 gait, is good headed and on the whole the most promising youngster I know of for the western stakes. Is also a show horse. Is entered and paid up in the Occident, Stanford, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. His dam is an extremely fast trotter, having shown a two minute gait in her three-year-old form, and his second dam produced two to hold world's records—Manrico and Don Pronto.

This youngster is spoken of as the most impressive colt trotter at Los Angeles. **Price $1500.00.**

JOHNNY DUGAN,
3-yr.-old breeder's record 2:16,

pacer, no straps, bay gelding four years old, straight and sound, trialed a half in 1:04 last year in his three-year-old form and could pace around 2:10 in June.

Sire, CARLOKIN 2:07½; dam Annabelle L. (full sister to Murray M. and Robert I. 2:08¾) by Hambletonian Wilkes; second dam Annabelle 2:27½ (dam of La Belle 2:16); third dam by Williamson's Belmont. **A great buy at $350.00.**

OLD FOLKS,

bay gelding, trotter, five years old, trialed as a two-year-old in 2:31½, as a three-year-old in 2:18½, and in his four-year-old form last May in 2:11, last half in 1:04. Is sound, good gaited, good headed, and should 2:08 this year. Comes from a family of good race horses on both sides—by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam IRAN BELLE, by Iran Alto 2:12¼; second dam ANNABELLE, etc. He stands A-1 with the railbirds around Los Angeles and is ready to begin fast work, having been jogged all winter. **Price $1000.00.**

CARINA,

bay filly, trotter, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ATHERINE (dam of Copa de Oro 1:59, Rags 2:09¼ and Nicola B. (2) 2:23¼, tr. 2:17, winner of the Oregon Futurity and second in the P. C. T. H. B. A. stakes for two-year-old trotters).

Carina is entered and paid up in the same stakes as Carleta. She is a grand looking, well developed filly, showed a :40 gait at eleven months old. Is good gaited and good headed, is in training and promises to make a high class trotter. Trialed this week in 2:46, last half in 1:12½. **Price $600.00.**

AND ONE FOR THE $20,000 P.-P. I. E. TROTS — RAGS 2:09¼, winner of the Breeder's and Oregon Futurities, the Stanford and the Occident stakes as a three-year-old, and the Governor's Stake, $5000, as a four-year-old — in all, beaten in but two out of eight starts, second in those two, and beaten only by 2:05 trotters. In my opinion as good a prospect for the big stakes as anyone has. He is a really great race horse, is racing sound, and has developed from an overgrown four-year-old into a sturdy, strong, exceptionally fine individual. Should be engaged in the Panama-Pacific $20,000 stakes, for which I already have entries. None better bred—by Del Coronado and out of the dam of Copa de Oro 1:59, etc. **Price $2000.**

In addition to the ones above mentioned I will offer to intending buyers NICOLA B. (2) 2:23¼, JIM CRAM, three-year-old pacer (brother to Chango 2:12¼), a YEARLING BROTHER TO ESPERANZA 2:09, engaged in all of the Stakes, the phenomenal two-year-old pacer SANDY McNABB (staked), MISS QUEALY (full sister to Manrico), FIVE YEARLINGS and SIX TWO-YEAR-OLDS, most of which are in training and ready to show.

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FOR SALE.

Hallie D 2:08¼

by WALTER DIRECT 2:05¾, sire of Napoleon Direct 2:02½ (winner of $13,950 in 1914), The Assessor 2:04¼ (winner of $5,790 in 1914), Merry Direct 2:06¾ (1914), Walter Hal 2:04, Manitoba 2:04¾, Annie Laury 2:07¼, Hallie D. 2:08¼, Hallie Direct 2:09¾, etc.

First dam Hallie Dillard by Brown Hal 2:12½, sire of Star Pointer 1:59¼, twelve others in 2:10, and the dams of twelve in 2:10, including Flower Direct 2:01, Braden Direct 2:01½, etc.

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EXHIBITION MILE 2:05 1-4

Champion Pacing Stallion of the West and Sire of a Champion

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Golden Bay. Height 15.3½. Weight 1160.



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Chango p. (3).....2:12¼ De Ora (3) 2:17
2-yr.-old record 2:13½. 2-yr.-old record 2:27¼.
Trial (3) .....2:09 Gold Lily p. (2)....2:24½

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FEE: $75 For the Season, Usual Return Privilege

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Mahogany Bay. Height 15.1½. Weight 1060.



Sire of ESPERANZA (3) 2:09, only three-year-old to win every trotting stake for that age on the Pacific coast, and also the following colt performers:

Ethel D. (3).....2:11 Helen Belle (2)....2:22½
Johnny Dugan p (3)2:16 Nicola B. (2).....2:23½
John Warwick (2) 2:17 Santiago (3) 2:24¼
The Lark (3).....2:18½ May Marian p (3)..2:24¼
Carl (2) .....2:19¾ Carlrich p (2) 2:24½
Miss Carlokin p ....2:20 El Carbine (2).....2:27½
Carsto (2) .....2:22½ Eileen C. (3) 2:29
Carlschen (2) .....2:23 Carlos (2) 2:29¼
Fulton G. (2).....2:30

CARLOKIN is the best bred son fo McKinney 2:11¼, foremost among the progenitors of 2:10 speed, being out of that sterling producing matron Carlotta Wilkes (dam of Inferlotta 2:04¾, Mary Dillon 2:06¼, Guy Borden 2:07¼, Carlokin 2:07½, and 6 others in 2:30) by Charley Wilkes 3653; second dam Aspasia (dam of 4) by Alcantara 2:23, sire of the dams of 20 in 2:10; third dam Miss Buchanan (dam of 1) by Clark Chief 89, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10, etc. Carlokin was not only a fast and rugged campaigner, but, point for point, one of the most ideal individuals ever foaled. I chose him from among all the best horses of the country as a prospective great sire, and in 1913-1914 his get won more coast futurities than those of all other sires combined. What more could you ask of them?

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Joe Patchen II 2:03¼

A. T. R. No. 47491

BEST MONEY WINNING PACER

By JOE PATCHEN 2:01¼, sire of Dan Patch 1:55¼ and 6 others in 2:10.

Dam, Bessie Bonehill 2:05¾ (dam of 2 in 2:10) by Empire Wilkes 2:29¼; second dam Arab Girl (dam of 7) by Crittenden 433, sire of the dams of 6 in 2:10.

Joe Patchen II comes from a long line of famous ancestors and is himself one of the best known and most popular pacers in America, with all the qualities of speed, stamina and individual excellence necessary to the making of a truly great horse—one of the kind you would expect to find after a glance over the array of famous performers owning allegiance to the families from which he comes. He is an excellent breeder, transmitting uniformly his own desirable characteristics and his few foals in California are promising to the highest degree.

Mahomet Watts 2:08¼

A. T. R. No. 51518.

AXWORTHY ELECTIONEER

By GEN. WATTS (3) 2:06¾, sire of three three-year-old trotters in 2:10.

Dam Alla P. 2:21¼ (dam of 3) by Palo Alto 2:08¾, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10; second dam Lula Wilkes (dam of 5), by George Wilkes 2:22, sire of the dams of 15 in 2:10.

Mahomet Watts is not only the fastest performer credited to Gen. Watts (3) 2:06¾ (whose breeding on qualities have been prime factors in the rise of the great house of the Axworthys) but he springs on the maternal side from the most firmly established families of champion producers—those of Electioneer and George Wilkes. He is a pleasing individual of fine finish and extreme speed, having a three-year-old record of 2:10 and being timed separately in a race last year in 2:05¼, whose services should be most welcome to California breeders.

Fee for Joe Patchen II or Mahomet Watts, $100 with usual return privilege

Vernon McKinney 2:01½

A. T. R. No. 53803.

FASTEST OF THE McKINNEYS

By GUY McKINNEY 37625, son of McKinney 2:11¼, dam by Guy Wilkes.

Dam Maud Vernon by Mount Vernon 2:15¼, sire of the dam of Leata J. 2:03, etc.; second dam Mag by Gen. McClellan, sire of the dam of Mack Mack 2:08, etc.

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Zomblack 2:26, tr. 3, 2:08¾

A. T. R. No. 54955

BEST SON OF ZOMBRO

By ZOMBRO 2:11, sire of twenty and the dams of three in 2:10.

Dam, Madeline Marshall (dam of 2) by Demonio 2:11¼, sire of 7 and dam of 1 in 2:10; second dam Mamie Comet (dam of 3) by Nutwood 2:18¾, sire of 2 and dams of 21 in 2:10.

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(3) 2:05½, world's record to 1912; (5)2:04¼, (6) 2:03¼, (7) 2:02¾, (8) 2:01¾, race record for Pacific Coast. All winning race records. Registry No. 44997.

Sire of MAXINE (3) 2:15 Winner Pacing Division Pacific Breeders Futurity 1914

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2, 2:20½ A. T. R. 29220

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Joseph Ansel (3) 2:12¾
Lottie Ansel (2) 2:14¼
Laura Rogers 2:11¼
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Arista Ansel (2) 2:18¼, etc.
And the dams of
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STARTING PAYMENTS—$25 to start in the Two-Year-Old Pace; $35 to start in the Two-Year-Old Trot; $35 to start in the Three-Year-Old Pace; $50 to start in the Three-Year-Old Trot. All starting payments to be made ten days before the first day of the meeting at which the race is to take place.

Nominators must designate when making payments to start whether the horse entered is a Trotter or Pacer.

Colts that start as Two-Year-Olds are not barred from starting again in the Three-Year-Old divisions.

SUBSTITUTIONS.

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CONDITIONS.

The race in each division will be for three heats; if no horse wins two of the three heats a fourth heat must be raced by the heat winners to decide the winner of the race, all other horses to go to the barn.

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Nominators are liable only for amounts paid in. Failure to make any payment forfeits all previous payments. This Association is liable for $5000, the amount of the guarantee, only.

Hobbles will be barred in trotting and pacing divisions.

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THE OUTLOOK FOR JUNE.

Midwinter interest in the forthcoming trotting meetings to be held in connection with the Panama-Pacific International Exposition is growing steadily throughout the country, as evidenced by correspondence daily handled by the committee in charge, and every indication points to the holding of meetings both in June and November of the very highest order—meetings that will be truly in keeping with the other features of the exposition of which they form such an important part, meetings that will in every way fulfill the fondest hopes of those who have labored so long and faithfully for their success.

An attractive folder has been prepared for early distribution to horsemen in every locality, the matter contained in it including the complete program for each meeting with the detailed conditions governing the events closing April first, as well as a resume of the conditions governing the colt stakes previously closed, and the twenty-thousand dollar stakes for which final entry may be made on June first. Incorporated in the folder are detachable entry blanks for both meetings, with a "stub" for a memorandum of entries made, so that horsemen will always have at hand a permanent record of their entries and all conditions governing the same. These folders will go in the mail next week and as the mailing lists are most comprehensive every horseman in the country should find himself in possession of one of them before many days go by. Parties desiring same and not receiving them may apply to the secretary, who will take pleasure in seeing that their wants are supplied.

Adverse weather conditions have contributed delays to the completion of the big track, but everything now is in readiness for the automobile races on Washington's birthday, barring rain in copious quantities in the intervening hours. The unusually heavy storms of February did some damage that had to be repaired under emergency pressure, but before our most recent showers fell Superintendent Maxwell had everything ready for use by either horses or autos—and a most inviting course it is. The top dressing is the same as that used on the three-quarter-mile track at the Stadium, which insures not only good drying qualities after rain but footing of the safest and fastest kind. Mr. Maxwell is a track builder of long experience, and horsemen who have paid recent visits to the grounds agree with him that he has never laid a faster, safer course than this one. With the conclusion of the auto races the latter part of next week the track will be turned over to horsemen who wish to take up their quarters there for the training season, and everything will be kept in the pink of condition for them until the close of the racing year. The stalls in the speed barns are in readiness for occupants, and many have been engaged by local horsemen for March first.

Night and day work has brought the big grandstand to completion, and its seating capacity promises to be taxed at its initiation on Monday next when the starters for the Vanderbilt Cup are called. The cup course utilizes all except the turn nearest the livestock buildings, the balance of the three mile and a fraction lap lying inside the grounds proper. The start and finish is "at the wire" on the homestretch, as in the harness events.

With the passing of the auto races and the first week of the exposition and the commencing of jogging on the part of local horsemen and the early arrivals of the visitors, the grounds of the P.-P. I. E. plant will have assumed the completed air of an old establishment. Before many weeks have gone by fast miles will begin to be in evidence; early in May it is probable that a joint matinee program will be staged by members of the California and San Francisco Driving Clubs, and from that time on the fun will be hot and heavy.

Don't let the opportunity for joining in get by you.

THAT FAIR BILL AGAIN.

With the re-convening of the legislature, which takes place in the near future, it should be a matter of comparatively few days until the fate of the district fair bill is made known and secretaries in California can set about their definite plans of operation for the season that is fast approaching—a course of procedure in which we are far behind our sister states to the north of us, their schedules for the year having been arranged some weeks ago.

We are inclined to the firm belief in the passage of the bill as it now stands and in its acceptance and signature by Governor Johnson if horsemen, stockmen, farmers and others directly and vitally interested in seeing it become a reality will unite in advising their senators and assemblymen of their wishes in the matter.

The amending of the bill to provide for seven instead of fourteen fairs, and the cutting down of the appropriation to a figure that will enable the fairs to become well established and at the same time make no serious inroad upon the state's treasury, were two steps that augur well for the future of the bill, another pleasing feature being that Assemblyman Judson, sponsor of the measure, acquiesced in these courses. It remains to be seen whether or not certain solons will be willing to "leave well enough alone" when it again comes up for consideration, for the fairs are too few in number to bring consolation to all ambitious localities that feel themselves entitled to recognition as district fair sites.

It is in preparing for this impending moment that we bespeak the united action of all interested parties. If the bill is left in its present form there is every reason to believe that it will meet with favor when presented to His Excellency, while if it is bolstered up to provide more fairs and larger appropriations there is absolutely no basis for the hope of it becoming an enactment. This is our ground for requesting that those most directly benefitted by its provisions acquaint their representative with their needs and their desires. It is a matter that requires but a few moments' time, and the horseman or breeder who stands idly by and makes no move to help himself on an occasion of this kind has absolutely no grounds for fault finding or "belly-aching" if the bill fails of the needed support.

We would suggest, too, that in your verbal or written message to your legislators, you make a plea for an early consideration of the measure by both senate and assembly, as much that should already have been done in making preparations for the season's fairs and race meetings is "hanging fire" pending their action. The success of the bill will remove many obstacles in the path of such enterprises that must otherwise remain, either to be overcome by private enterprise or to operate as a positive bar to the holding of fairs or race meets, singly or in conjunction.

Accept these statements which we have so often emphasized of late—that district fairs can come back only in a most modest and unpretentious manner, and that the successful establishment and administration of a mere handful of them means the ultimate coming of such an event to every section of California that can and will support one. The lazy acceptance of the theory that "I might as well be broke as the way I am" has kept many a poor man poor, while a belief to the opposite has enabled many a resourceful rustler to run a "shoestring" into a goodly stake. Let's take a long pull, a strong pull, and a pull all together and see if we cannot acquire the "shoestring" of district fairs upon which to base some future hustling operations in boosting them to a really creditable number.

FASTER STAKE CLASSES.

There is an ever increasing tendency to lower the classification for the major events of the American trotting turf—a tendency which we greet with pleasure as a step forward in racing conditions. The latest of the old established stakes to fall in line is the historic M. & M. at Detroit, one of the most highly esteemed of all trotting classics. For many years it was made for 2:24 trotters, the classification being advanced within recent seasons to 2:14. It was known in some circles that the Detroit Driving Club, its sponsors, were considering making it for a still faster class, and on Tuesday of this week came the definite announcement that for this season the main event of the blue ribbon meeting will be contested by 2:08 trotters. As the Detroit Driving Club occupies a position of prestige as the "bell cow" of the Grand Circuit it is highly probable that other points along the line will follow the fashion, and eventually all the greatest stakes, with the exception of the futurities, will be made for fast classes. The committee in charge of the Panama-Pacific meetings made the right kind of a move in establishing fast classes for their largest stakes, as the country is now fast learning.

Of all the things that have contributed to "laying up," "holding over," "educative campaigns" in which owners and drivers used every bit of cunning to stay in the money and at the same time avoid a mark and a "derricking," nothing has exerted a greater influence in encouraging these practices than the slow classes for which the great stakes have been made. For a horse to have a winning chance he needs must have a bit of racing education, and if he be a horse of genuine stake qualities he can be "educated" and still kept eligible to practically a green class only by the indulgence in the above mentioned systems—all infractions of racing rules and contributory to very unsatisfactory racing. The year book contains too many instances of horses racing pretty consistently in the money though never "out in front" for a season, or a portion of one, in order that the desired education can be obtained without great financial loss. How much better it would be for the man who has paid his dollar and perhaps laid a modest wager on the result of a race, believing that they are all out for every heat, if the horse receiving his campaign of education could step out and go an honest race without the fear of "getting out of the big stakes" by reason of winning a heat in respectably fast time!

Make winning worth while by a proper reward, and as the horse gets faster increase his earning opportunities rather than decrease them. Then will a number of knotty problems have been solved.

MONDAY, MARCH FIRST, is a date that we wish to bring to the attention of breeders in California and other coast states, payments being then due in two important colt stakes. Second payment of $5 must then be made to Secretary Kelley on nominations to Pacific Breeders Futurity Stake Number Fifteen for foals of mares bred in 1914, and entries close for the newly announced Stanford-Occident Stake Number One for foals of 1914, sponsored by the California State Agricultural Society. The conditions governing the Stanford-Occident are a departure from those previously applicable to the independent Occident and Stanford stakes, and are drawn for the express purpose of pleasing horsemen and breeders in general. Full conditions appear elsewhere in this publication, or may be obtained upon application to Secretary C. W. Paine at Sacramento.

HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF and the rise of the jitney bus, unless checked in some manner, means the passing of a certain measure of the automobile's popularity as a strictly "pleasure vehicle" for the idle rich. When one of their playthings descends to a point of plebeian utility for the benefit of the masses, the "plutes" call for a new deal and something more exclusively their own. Unwittingly, the jitney is doing a great service for somebody who can replace the "fallen idol" of the pleasure car—probably the inventor of a fool proof airship or the breeder of horses of really excellent class. See how far we miss it.

Stanford-Occident Stake No. 1

With the close of the racing season of 1916 there will pass from the speed program of the California State Agricultural Society two of the trotting stakes for three-year-olds that have for so very many years been fixtures among the coast classics for youngsters—the Stanford and the Occident stakes. In the form in which they achieved their fame originally we shall know them no more—at least for some years to come—and in their stead the society has announced the new Stanford-Occident Stake Number One, a combination that they hope to see become an even greater feature than were its predecessors.

The history of the Occident stake, which was one of the very oldest fixed events of the trotting turf, runs well back in years to the late seventies, when it was inaugurated by Leland Stanford in memory of the horse that ever ranked high in his esteem and which was the first trotter to bring a world's record to California—Occident 2:16¾, the brown son of Doc 449 and Mater Occidentis. The successes achieved by Occident were prime factors in stimulating the Governor to the subsequent great efforts in breeding which gave him and his their envied rank in trotting annals, and through the naming of the stake for the game gelding his owner judged rightly that the glory of the name would be much enhanced.

Owing to the damage done to our library at the time of the fire and the loss of much data not to be readily replaced, we are not just now in position to state positively the year of the inauguration of the Occident nor its earlier winners. From 1882, however, we have its history intact, and present herewith a condensed summary of the same:

THE OCCIDENT STAKES FOR THREE-YEAR-OLD TROTTERS.

Year.	Placed Horses.	Time.
1882.	Bertha (walkover)	.....
1883.	Sally Benton (walkover)	.....
1884.	Antevolo, Robert Lee, Griselda	2:34½
1885.	Kismet, Lohengrin, Luella	2:31½
1886.	Alcazar, Transit, Rexford	2:24½
1887.	Sable Wilkes, Sudan (2 starters)	2:29¼
1888.	Redwood, Sol Wilkes (2 starters)	2:36½
1889.	Sunol (walkover)	2:16½
1890.	Coral, Moss Rose (2 starters)	2:25
1891.	Myrtle, Vida Wilkes (2 starters)	2:25
1892.	Columbus S., Laurel (2 starters)	2:37½
1893.	Montana, Hillsdale, Rowena	2:25½
1894.	Aria, Silver Note (2 starters)	2:27¼
1895.	La Belle, Iran Alto, Silver Ring	2:19¼
1896.	Sweet Rosie, Don Roberto, Palita	2:25½
1894.	Nordeau, Wilkes Direct, Uncle James	2:25
1898.	Dolly D., Prince Ansel, Lynwood	2:21
1899.	Lena A., Dr. Frasse's Sister, Blanch T.	2:21½
1900.	Eula Mc., Tom Smith (field distanced)	2:17½
1901.	Italia, Commander Muckle (field distanced)	2:23½
1902.	Aristo, Cuate, Zombowette	2:17½
1903.	Tuna, Swift B., The Jester	2:18
1904.	Almaden, Marvin Wilkes, Carlokin	2:18
1905.	North Star, Bellemont, Princess Louise	2:15½
1906.	Della Derby, Silver Hunter, Prof. Heald	2:21¾
1907.	Nogi, Lady H., Reina del Norte	2:26
1908.	Cleo Dillon, Katalina, Dr. Lecco	2:15¼
1909.	Volante, Virginia Lee, Complete	2:13¼
1910.	Donasham, Expedio, Bon Guy	2:13¼
1911.	Ella Mac, Matawan (field distanced)	2:14¼
1912.	Albaloma, El Bel Maden, Baby Doll	2:15¼
1913.	Rags, Miss Gailey, Guacho	2:13¼
1914.	Esperanza, Bon Courage, Bon Cress	2:11½

The Stanford is an event of much more recent origin than the Occident, and in its nomenclature is the Agricultural Society's compliment to the gentleman to whom its debt—and that of the state and country at large—is so great, the founder of Palo Alto. Like its older companion it is one of the events eagerly looked forward to by horsemen and the race-going public, and the summary of its history shows it to have afforded some exceptionally good colt racing and to have been the medium of introducing to the trotting turf many performers who have achieved wide fame:

THE STANFORD STAKES FOR THREE-YEAR-OLD TROTTERS.

Year.	Placed Horses.	Time.
1898.	Dos Minutos (field distanced)	2:30
1899.	Dr. Frasse's Sister, Direct Heir, Elevator	2:25½
1900.	The Roman, Ben Liebes, Tom Smith	2:18¾
1901.	Almaretta, Della McCarty, Comm'd'r Muckle	2:26
1902.	Aristo, Zombowette, Gertie H.	2:22
1903.	Tuna, Swift B., The Jester	2:16½
1904.	Marvin Wilkes, Neergard, Carlokin	2:20
1905.	North Star, Athasham, Alto Downs	2:15
1906.	Prof. Heald, Silver Hunter (2 starters)	2:24½
1907.	Nogi, Prince Lot, Reina del Norte	2:19½
1908.	Katalina, Dr. Lecco, Siesta	2:16¾
1909.	Easter, All Style, Complete	2:17
1910.	Bon Guy, Donasham, Pal	2:11¾
1911.	Ella Mac, Valentine Girl, Bon Volante	2:14½
1912.	Baby Doll, Wilbur Lou, El Bel Maden	2:11½
1913.	Rags, Miss Gaily (field distanced)	2:12½
1914.	Esperanza, Bon Courage, Nearest Alto McKinney	2:10

The decision to forsake these two great events in their original form and combine them under new conditions has been brought about by a number of circumstances. Primarily, both stakes observed Governor Stanford's well known and pronounced antipathy to the pacer, and were for trotting colts exclusively, working a hardship upon breeders who went to the expense of making nominations and then found themselves in possession of a real high class pacer that had no chance to show speed at an early age—it at all—if forced to trot. Moreover, three stakes for three-year-old trotters at one short meeting, with practically the same fields, is "spreading it thick" for even the best of youngsters, and with the newly inaugurated Stanford-Occident Stake the Society hopes to accomplish three definite objects: Secure a greater entry list, with relatively increased fields of starters, improve the quality of racing, and provide an earning capacity for pacing colts.

The first event of the new series is for foals of 1914 to trot and pace as three-year-olds in 1917 and has a guaranteed value of $5000, divided $3000 to trotters and $2000 to pacers. The conditions are drawn so that the races in no event will be longer than four heats, and the money is awarded on the every heat a race plan so popular with campaigning horsemen. The horse standing highest in the summary is the only one to receive money further than that awarded upon the standing at the close of each heat, further inducement to winning being held out by the presentation to the ranking entry of the coveted Stanford-Occident Cup. As nominators are liable for only such amounts as are paid in at any time they wish to drop their entry, and as colts can be carried until the time of payment of the starting fee at relatively small cost, we bespeak for the new offering a most liberal patronage. All particulars may be learned upon reference to the announcement elsewhere in this issue, or by addressing Secretary Paine at Sacramento for entry blanks.

NEW FOOT-AND-MOUTH OUTBREAK CONFINED TO A NARROW CHANNEL.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 15.—The discovery of foot-and-mouth infection in the stockyards of nine cities—Chicago, Pittsburgh, Indianapolis, Louisville, Buffalo, Cincinnati, Columbus, Jersey City, and Baltimore—which has resulted in the closing of these stockyards until they have been thoroughly disinfected, is regarded by the Federal authorities as undoubtedly a setback in their campaign to eradicate the plague but is considered to be by no means as serious a matter as if the disease had broken out in stock held on the farms. All the cattle affected were destined for immediate slaughter at various points. No stockers or feeders were included among them. The infection therefore has been laid over a trail that runs in straight, easily-traced lines from city to city. The stamping out of it is principally a matter of disinfecting all cars used in these shipments and all yards through which they have passed. On the other hand when the disease first broke out last fall it was spread over the country by a large number of shipments of stockers and feeders which were distributed more or less broadcast to the farms in many states. To trace each one of the animals in these shipments to its ultimate destination was a task of much greater magnitude than the authorities now face.

The new outbreak, however, in the opinion of the Federal authorities emphasizes the necessity of adhering for some time longer to the quarantine regulations that prohibit the shipment of any stock from the quarantined area for any purpose except immediate slaughter, and also prohibit its shipment at all to points in free area. If feeders and stockers were to be sent out from the quarantined areas there would always be the danger of the disease spreading once more among the farms, and the country being thrown back in the condition that it was in in October.

The Government also holds that cattle purchased for slaughter and found to be affected with foot-and-mouth disease shall not be paid for but may be condemned under the Federal meat-inspection law like any other diseased stock. Purchasers of cattle for slaughter in territory where there is reason to suspect the existence of the disease, purchase at their own risk, and there is no reason why the Government should insure them against the possibility of loss. For the Government to do this would be in fact to put a premium upon reckless buying of suspected animals and make the task of ultimately eradicating the disease much harder. Inspectors have also been warned against the possibility that stock ostensibly intended for immediate slaughter might be diverted for sale as feeders and stockers, and they have been instructed to see that all such stock is slaughtered without delay.

The racing and pari-mutuel measures in Nevada are up to the governor.

The Stallions at Hemet

Few horses of his years have been so prominent in public esteem for so long a time as has Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼, premier stallion at the Hemet Stock Farm, his career as a champion having begun at the yearling stage when in November, 1910, he established the then world's record for trotting stallions of the age at 2:19½. That he was a real race trotter and not merely an exhibition performer he proved pretty conclusively in his two-year-old form by winning his only engagements, the two-year-old divisions of the Breeders and Stake Fair futurities, without losing a heat and without being compelled to do more than equal the mark made by him as a yearling. As a three-year-old, however, he gained his greatest racing glory when he was returned winner of the senior divisions of the same stakes, earning his record in the third heat of a winning race in which was also established the world's record for a five-heat-race by a three-year-old stallion. He is the fastest colt that has participated in the coast classics, and his mark of 2:10¼ has been beaten by but one coast trotter of like age in the California futurities—Esperanza, whose race record of 2:10 was made this last season in the Stanford Stake.

Wilbur Lou through his blood inheritance has every right to the honors he has earned, as he carries an infusion of the blood of various of the most potent and prolific trotting families. His sire, Kinney Lou 2:07¾, raced a decade ago by Budd Doble, is one of the fastest and best bred sons of McKinney 2:11¼, his dam being the game old California race mare Mary Lou 2:17 by Tom Benton; second dam Brown Jennie (dam of two others with records two to five seconds faster than that of Mary Lou) by David Hill Jr.

Louise Carter (3) 2:24 was regarded by the late Martin Carter as one of the most promising mares for breeding purposes that he had ever owned, and subsequent developments have done much to demonstrate the soundness of Mr. Carter's theory, her produce to date including Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼, Mamie Alwin (3) 2:20½ with a later matinee mark of 2:13¼ and a five-year-old record of 2:12, and Martin Carter (3) 2:29¼, while her remaining foals show the same general characteristics as the ones named. She is very strongly bred in lines that have been most highly valued in brood mares, being a daughter of Chestnut Tom 2:17¼ (a son of Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ and Zeta Carter by Director 2:17, second dam Lida W. 2:18½, the famous producing daughter of Nutwood 2:18¾). Ingar, dam of Louise Carter, is a most noted matron, having produced six performers, including the great sires John A. McKerron 2:04½ and Nearest 2:22½, both of whom are substantially represented in the 2:10 list through the performance of their get. Ingar is by Director 2:17, sire of the dams of five trotters and one pacer with records from 2:04½ to 2:08¼, and her dam is Anna Titus by Echo, sire of the dams of Direct 2:05½, Captain Derby 2:06½, Rex Alto 2:07¾, Loupe 2:09¼, and many others. Four generations of the maternal ancestors of Wilbur Lou have produced standard speed.

Bred to seven mares in the spring of his third year, Wilbur Lou begot seven foals, six of which were handled lightly as yearlings in 1914, every one making a most excellent showing. The Ella J. youngster owned in this city is one of the fastest babies on the coast, and the five handled by the farm showed as follows: Fiesta Lou paced to a record of 2:25 over the half-mile track at Riverside and worked a half there in 1:08¾; over the oval at the farm Selma Paley trotted a half in 1:13¾, with an eighth in :17¾, while Goldsmith Lou, Gertrude Rives and Billie Boyd negotiated the quarter at the trot in :35½, :36¾ and :38 respectively. This is a most encouraging start, and the future will undoubtedly see him obtain an enviable station in the great table of sires, a station in keeping with the youthful renown gained as a race and show horse—to both of which histories there are more chapters yet to be written. Breeders have been prompt in recognizing the genuine merits of the young sire, and he has been popular in the stud from the start. In point of number of nominations in the futurities closed last fall he ranked second in the Breeders and first in the State Fair, a remarkable showing for a stallion of his years.

As a stud mate for the yearling and three-year-old champion the farm maintains another son of Kinney Lou 2:07¾—the chestnut stallion Kinney de Lopez 2:23, whose blood lines on the maternal side are of a slightly different nature, his dam being Betsy Direct 2:25¾ by Direct 2:05½, sire of sixteen in 2:10 and the dams of Maggie Winder (3) 2:06¼, Alice May Direct 2:09¼, John Brydon 2:09¼, Black Badge 2:09¾, etc. Kate Chapman, second dam of Kinney de Lopez, was a famous mare on the road in days gone by, produced two standard trotters, and was a daughter of Naubuc and Kittie Patchen by Geo. M. Patchen Jr. 2:27, tracing on back to sturdy Morgan blood. Naubuc sired the dams of Directly 2:03¼, The Iceman 2:10, etc., and the blood of Geo. M. Patchen Jr. appears in the pedigree of many noted performers and is highly valued wherever found. Kinney de Lopez has had but very few foals, one of which, Don de Lopez, trotted a half as a yearling in 1:13¼, with an eighth in :17½, so that he will sire early and extreme speed is an accepted fact.

Both Wilbur Lou and Kinney de Lopez possess a richness of color and individuality that is most pleasing and attractive, and the best of dispositions and manners. Coupling these qualities with those enumerated above there is apparent every justification for their popularity in the stud—a popularity that will doubtless cause an early closing of their limited books for the breeding season of 1915.

FATHER POWER SUMMONED.

It was with a feeling of deepest regret that men and women of the coast country in all walks of life and of every religious faith learned of the death last week of Father Power at Livermore, for it is seldom given to a man of his position in life to achieve the wide spread respect and affection that was his. For two weeks he had waged a courageous battle against a severe attack of pneumonia, and by all except his physicians steadfast hope in his recovery was maintained until Wednesday afternoon, when the measured tolling of St. Michael's bell carried to those within hearing the sad tidings that the end had come. The heart was simply worn out in the struggle.

The funeral services which were held Monday at St. Michael's church were the most impressive and largest attended known to the valley to which the dead priest had so long been "Father." Following the eleven o'clock mass Sunday the body was carried to the church where it lay in state until the final services, viewed by hundreds of friends of all denominations, for the Father knew no lines of sect demarcation in commanding the friendship and respect of his fellows. On Sunday evening at 7:30 the offices of the dead were chanted over the remains, and at ten o'clock Monday morning was celebrated the solemn requiem high mass for the repose of the soul, the funeral cortege was formed, headed by a large delegation of visiting members of the clergy, and hundreds of people followed the remains to their last resting place in St. Michael's cemetery. All business of the community was suspended for the occasion.

Were the complete story of Father Power's life to be written it would reveal a fund of romance that would be an echo of days long, long gone—of the early church militant, of the crusades, of the days of the tournament and other sports, and of the epic that was "California in the making." He was a revert to generations gone when men were men purely for the satisfaction to be derived from so being.

Patrick Power was born at Carrick-on-Sur, County Tipperary, Ireland, on March 17, 1842, and was educated in the parochial schools in that city, later completing his education and taking holy orders at Carlow College. In 1872, newly ordained in the priesthood, he came to the United States and made his way directly to the Golden Gate, where he was made assistant rector of St. Patrick's church, this city. Two years later he was placed in charge of the church at Jackson, Amador county, remaining there until 1879, when he was sent to the scene of labors that was to be his until death.

The Livermore valley in that day was admirably fitted for the best development of a character such as the energetic young priest—athlete, sportsman, fighter, yet steadfast to the highest and best tenets of his religion. The adjacent territory was largely a cow country, with a population to whom a little "hell-popping" was a mere daily incident, social conditions were rather turbulent, the church new and the parish practically unorganized. In such an environment only a man such as Father Power could command respect and make his church a thing of usefulness in the community. The youngster, an athlete of prowess and a sportsman to the core, threw in with his parishioners in their daily lives—hunted and fished with them, raced with them, wrestled with them and, when occasion arose, fought with them to a finish until he had gained his way. Some of his early battles gained for him the appellation of the "Fighting Father"—a title in which he never took shame, for he was a true disciple of the church militant. Enemies were his in strength and number, but they were far overshadowed by the legions who named him friend, and by friend and foe alike he was accorded the hearty respect that was the secret of his success. He knew no lines of caste, or sect, or politics or wealth or poverty when it came to extending aid and encouragement or in fighting what was wrong in his community, and his ideas of right and wrong were clearly defined and stated without reserve.

Father Power came from a long line of sport loving ancestors, and everything in the way of clean sport found hearty support at his hands. Until coursing in this section fell into disrepute he was one of the foremost devotees of that pastime, while his love for a good horse and a keen, clean race lasted to the end. He was a close and constant friend to the late Monroe Salisbury and other horsemen who have contributed to the fame of the Livermore valley, a profound admirer of the American trotter and, withal, a most excellent judge of one in all respects. He owned the best road horses obtainable, always carrying excellent trotting blood, and was a familiar figure at Pleasanton Driving Park on any and all occasions. Only last December, bearing small evidence of the seventy odd years that he had lived in relentless activity, he was an interested spectator at the Pleasanton sale, and no man in attendance at that event received wider or warmer welcome.

The world could use a countless number of "Father Powers"—and there was but one. It could well do without clergymen of various other stamps whose name is legion. Long will his memory be cherished, and it were superfluous to carve more on his monument than the simple words: "Here lies a priest who was a man."

And Colusa "has gone done an' win a race"! It was a thousand dollar pacing stake over the ice at Ottawa and Harvey Ernest did the teaming.

GEORGE SWANN DIES IN LEXINGTON.

After an illness of fourteen months, George L. Swann, for over twenty-five years an employee of the late James B. Haggin, passed away at the Good Samaritan Hospital in Lexington, January 25 at 8:30 o'clock. He entered the institution October 13, 1913, and since that time has slowly but surely grown worse until the end came last Monday. Mr. Swann was born in 1842 at West Side Lake, near Troy, N. Y., and so far as known had no living relatives.

All of his life had been devoted to horses in various lines of endeavor. He was a most versatile man with equines, as he had driven stage in New York, been a successful trainer and driver of trotters, and since his connection with Mr. Haggin had charge of the Elmendorf Farm and Rancho del Paso thoroughbred stallions. This was no small task, as at one time the stallions on Rancho del Paso numbered over forty head. So good an authority as Dr. J. R. Hagyard said he considered Mr. Swann the best "stallioner" he had ever seen and that he was able to handle any kind of horse without any great difficulty.

His first work was as superintendent of the Albany Street Railway barns where he stayed eight years, going from there to Nevada. While in Nevada he rose to affluence, becoming a ranch owner with 8,000 cattle and 1,200 sheep, virtually all of which perished during one of the severe winters experienced there, leaving him practically a pauper. He then went to San Francisco, Cal., where he trained trotters for Colonel Harry Thornton, just then a very prominent man in California. Later he worked for Governor Leland Stanford as a trainer and driver, continuing until the death of Governor Stanford, when he began work for Mr. Haggin.

In 1905 when Mr. Haggin sold Rancho del Paso, he came to Kentucky and took up his residence at Elmendorf. Four years later he shipped a load of horses to Argentine for the farm, which proved to be a stormy trip, and the excessive heat appeared to affect him greatly, he never appearing in as good health as before. In February, 1913, he was put on the retired list at Elmendorf at full pay. Hardening of the arteries was the trouble that caused his death.

His greatest success as a trotting horse trainer was probably with the stallion, James Madison, to which he gave a record to high wheels of 2:17¾, which horse later attained considerable reputation as a sire, the best of his get being Brilliant Girl 2:08¼; Tuna (4) 2:08¼, and Emily 2:10. At Rancho del Paso and Elmendorf he had charge of many stallions of international reputation, which included the great Salvator, Star Ruby, Water Cress, Water Boy, Africander, Royal Flush and many others.

Mr. Swann was a man of pleasing manner and made many friends in Lexington, as well as the other places in which he had lived. He was one of those "good fellows" who are always accepted as friends on short acquaintance, and no one ever had occasion to regret that he numbered him among his friends.

His favorite dog, Jerry, a big collie, now about ten years old, that he brought with him from California when he first came here, and his favorite horse, Greville, a twenty-five-year old stallion, were frequently brought in by George Miller, who has charge of the mares and the stallions also since Mr. Swann's illness, so that he could see them. Greville was for a number of years Mr. Swann's driving horse.—Trotter and Pacer.

Our stallions announcements are increasing in number with each issue.

Nevada Stock Farm

There was a time when the west numbered among its highly valued assets a goodly array of establishments devoted to the production of the thoroughbred horse, but with the coming of the great wave of "reform" that put racing under the ban, all but the veriest handful of these have gone the way of the great trotting nurseries that at one time kept them company. With no adequate market for their produce, the big stock ranches made way for growing cities, small farms, truck patches, orchards, and the like, and only quite recently has there seemed reason to look for a revival of the breeding industry. Some of the older farms have managed to exist through the lean years, and that these will soon be making repayment for their owners' steadfastness and that their numbers will be considerably augmented by newly formed studs seems at this writing highly probable—in fact, practically assured.

With the coming of relieving legislation in some states and the effecting of satisfactory, practicable compromises in others, the impetus given the thoroughbred industry has been such as to attract various newcomers to its ranks. Both in the east and the west this impulse has made itself felt, and the operations of none of the thoroughbred breeders, old or new, have been watched with more interest than have those of George Wingfield, of Reno and San Francisco.

Confident of the future of racing in his own state and in its ultimate general return on a new and more acceptable and substantial basis than before, Mr. Wingfield was one of the first of the westerners to prepare to benefit by the new regime. Taking for the foundation of his enterprise a portion of the famous Alamo Hereford Stock Farm of the late Governor Sparks, who was one of his staunchest friends, Mr. Wingfield organized in February, 1914, the Nevada Stock Farm, whose headquarters are some two and one-half miles south of the city of Reno. The establishment is a hundred-thousand-dollar Nevada corporation, whose executive personnel is as follows: George Wingfield, president; H. G. Humphrey, vice-president; C. F. Burton, secretary and treasurer; M. P. Guilliams, superintendent, these gentlemen, with W. H. Moffat, composing also the board of directors.

Imbued with a genuine love for the horse of good qualities from long and faithful services rendered by his four-footed partners in his earlier years on the cattle trails of the sage brush state and the grimmer territories adjacent to its borders, Mr. Wingfield set about gathering a band of brood mares and a class of stallions from which he should be able to produce performers equal in quality to those of any similar establishment in the land. At present in service are Star Bottle, winner of many famous stakes and present holder of the stallion record of 1:44 2-5 for a mile and a sixteenth; Ossary, famous as a sire on both sides of the Atlantic; Montgomery, the good son of Pessara—Montgomery Cooper, and Deutschland by imp. Sain—Derforgilla.

The mares have been selected with equal care from the ranks of the best matrons obtainable, and those at present enrolled on the farm's books include Alice Cary, by imp. Trappean—Abbie F.; Afamada, by Duke of Montrose—Laura W.; Anna May, by imp. King Eric—Fig Leaf; Avona, by imp. St. Avonicus—Orellana by Ormonde; Cake Walk, by Bard—Heel and Toe (sister to Gold Heels); Chaste, by Jim Gore—imp. British Blue Blood; Dora I., by imp. Eagle Plume—Froila; Divina, by imp. Bassetlaw—Angelique; Eleven Bells, by imp. Quick Lime—Elsie S.; Fay Muir, by imp. Canopus—Duplex; Geheimniss, by imp. Sain—Theresia; Rosie Posie, by Saunders—Elsie L.; Shasta Water, by Maxim—Tyranny; Silver Line, by Free Knight—Silver Lining; Sugar Maid, by Salvado—Saccharoid; Island Queen, by Dick Wells—Glena; Ina L., by Otis—Jungfrau; Jeanne d'Arc, by imp. Ben Strome—Naoma; Kumis, by imp. Atheling—imp. Kisberina; Lady Vera, by imp. Woolsthorp—Philura; Lady Trinity by imp. Star Shoot—Sempre d'Or by Logic; Marion Rose, by Balgowan—Sinfi; My Helen, by Filigrane—Maid of the Order; Ocean Dream, by Henry of Navarre—Golden Dream; Peggy O'Neal, by King William—Cleodora; Phyllis, by imp. Goldfinch—Phillistia; Princess Zeika, by Rey del Sierra—Countess Zeika; Ravelette, by Flamboa—Shannon Rose; Recreation, by Morello—Picnic; Roselawn, by Orsini—imp. Castle Hill; Schwalbie, by imp. Sain—Gratitude; Uarda, by Strathmore—Zuhlan, and Celesta, by imp. Sempronius—Rezia. Celesta is at present a member of the eastern racing stable and holder of the American record for one and one-sixteenth miles, 1:42¾; that she will prove a highly valuable matron when her racing days are over and bring further laurels to the farm through the performance of her produce is a most logical conclusion.

A. F. Dayton, well known to the devotees of thoroughbred racing, is in charge of the stable racing this season in the east under the Nevada Stock Farm colors, which is composed of Celesta, Scarlet Oaks Mineral Water and Finisher. Last fall the farm sent to Sacramento in care of Trainer George Strate one of the nicest bunches of yearlings ever seen on the coast, largely from the Keene establishment in Kentucky, including a chestnut colt by Superman—Jarto, bay colt by Hippodrome—Fleeing Venus, bay filly by Voter—Hanrose, bay filly by Hippodrome—Calyx, chestnut filly by Voter—Hattie Walker, bay filly by Voter—Fair Empress, and the brown filly by Sweep—Grace Commoner. In Strate's hands these youngsters have developed most promisingly during the winter, and some of the number should give a good account of themselves in the juvenile events when they go east.

Mr. Wingfield has spared no possible effort in his work in behalf of the bills creating the racing commission and providing for pari-mutuel wagering in his state, and, in company with Messrs. R. J. MacKenzie and A. B. Spreckels, has been one of the prime movers in trying to inaugurate a running meeting in connection with the P.-P. I. E., a proposition that is meeting with a great deal of approbation and has a good chance of becoming a reality. Californians would appreciate a glimpse of the thoroughbreds once more, minus the previous ever-present and ever greedy "bookie," and if they get it during the exposition their thanks will be due to the above coterie of owners and their associates.

At any rate, here, in Nevada, and in the east, the course of the Nevada Sock Farm colors will be watched with a great deal of interest, and sportsmen everywhere join in wishing the new nursery long life and an even break in the racing luck.

NOTES and NEWS

The Schwartz stable goes to Pleasanton next week to commence real preparation for the racing season.

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Onward McGregor (3) 2:23¼, in the stable of Bert Webster at Pleasanton, is the most recent addition to the ranks of stallions whose services are offered to breeders through the medium of this publication.

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A recent card from John Quinn at San Jose states that horses and horsemen at that point are getting along flourishingly and that things are shaping up well for speed manufacture.

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The first foal of the year at Curles Neck Farm, the Virginia establishment of C. K. G. Billings, is a nice filly by The Harvester 2:01 out of Yo San J. by Hershon 2:29¼, sire of the dams of Nathan B. 2:06¾ and Lady Grattan 2:08¾.

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Auctioneer Billy Higginbottom will shake the dust of the city off his feet next week long enough to go up to Davis and get the high dollar for the heavy horses going through the ring at the draft horse breeders' sale.

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Two of San Francisco's best known horsemen are in Southern California giving the "once over" to some trotting stake timber. They took their pocket books along and will probably bring home an equivalent in horse flesh, if representations previously made turn out to be correct.

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President Dan Hoffman of the California Driving Club did yeoman service in upholding the trotters' end of the horse show programs with the team composed of Tom Smith 2:13¼ and Jonesie Mac, by Carlokin 2:07½. They make a great pair to pole, and were the champs of their classes straight through.

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According to reports from Walnut Hall Farm the fastest halter trotter that ever hit the blue grass is in the present yearling crop—a colt by San Francisco, dam by Moko, second dam the dam of Tenara 2:05¾, Charmond 2:10¼, etc. Why shouldn't he make a trotter?

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Eastern reports have it that Directum I 1:58 will take in the P.-P. I. E. meetings. Let him come. Everybody come—nobody barred but those in bad with the parent association at the time the meetings come off, and they can find a comfortable seat in the grand stand.

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Jack Adkins is expected here in a few days to take up Buckhorn, Leo Skolny, San Vega, Helen Barbee, Sea Shell and Adelaide T., belonging to R. J. MacKenzie, and which are now running out at Hal Price Headley's Beaumont Farm.—Thoroughbred Record.

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J. H. Nelson of Selma is extending his operations as a "stallioneer," his last move being to purchase from A. Guthrie of Dinuba the mammoth jack that has proved so popular in his neighborhood. As Mr. Nelson already has a first class jack at the ranch this new fellow will be established in service at the St. George Stables, Selma.

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Wm. T. Chaffin died early in the present month at his home in Columbia, Tenn., where for many years the breeding farm of Chaffin Brothers has held high rank among establishments of its kind. Walter Direct 2:05¾, Hal Chaffin 2:05¼, Direct Hal 2:04¼ and many other famous race horses and pacing sires were bred at the Chaffin farm.

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Registrar Best and his corps of statisticians started in to compile the summaries and tables of the new year book so as to show the eligibility of all recent performers under the new rules that class them by their time in their fastest winning race, but found the task too much and threw up their hands and returned to the old system.

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Uhlan 1:58 goes to New York in a few weeks for use to saddle by his owner. Mr. Billings is reported to be contemplating a trip to the exposition with Uhlan 1:58, The Harvester 2:01, and other members of the famous band of champions gathered at Curles Neck Farm, and we trust that the intention will develop into an actuality, as the eastern fancier and his horses would be most welcome visitors.

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Charley Jeffries, the well known western trainer who has been in the northwest of late, arrived back in his old stamping grounds last Saturday morning and will probably spend this season in California. Charley has spent a good portion of the last year in the hospitals in Spokane and shows it, but a few months in California will probably set him up in good shape again.

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Jacob Peter Patery, widely known in this portion of California as an exceptionally expert and reliable shoer of harness horses, died early last week in Oakland, death following only a few hours after an operation which had been made in the hope of restoring him again to health. He was nearing his sixty-first birth anniversary and is survived by his wife and three adult children.

Messrs. F. E. Marsh, W. J. Davis and H. T. White have been appointed as the committee to select the cups to be awarded by the American Trotting Register Association to the winners of the major standard bred classes at the P.-P. I. E. shows this fall.

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Edward Peterson of Omaha arrived on the coast some days ago and is stopping at the Palace Hotel and making frequent auto trips to Pleasanton to spend the day with his horses in the stables of Frank and Marvin Childs.

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The New Zealand Trotting Record for January 11 carries a very good picture of the two American trainers who were present at the summer meeting at Greymouth—Messrs. James Conway and Charles James. The latter had the mount behind Beach Boy in the Mawhera handicap at a mile and a half, drawing five seconds. The Journal credits the event as being one of the best contests ever witnessed at Greymouth, with Beach Boy getting a rather rough passage, pocketed on the rail, but making an excellent race when he had a chance, finishing half a length behind the winner. James returned to Christchurch with the Boy at the close of the Greymouth meeting.

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The consignments to the First Annual Sale of the California Draft Horse Breeders' Association, to be held next Wednesday, February 24, at the University Farm at Davis, include some of the very best stallions and mares, both native bred and imported, that are to be found in California and persons in the market for breeding stock of this class will make no mistake in making selections from this offering. The quality line has been drawn very rigidly for the purpose of protecting purchasers, and the popular families of the drafter are generously represented. Catalogs may be obtained upon application to Secretary J. I. Thompson, Davis, and parties unable to appear in person may mail or wire bids to either Mr. Thompson or Auctioneer Wm. Higginbottom, at the same address.

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Dates for the fall races on the Santa Fe circuit have been assigned as follows: Lamar, week of August 16; Las Animas, August 23; Rocky Ford, August 30; Sugar City, September 6; Pueblo, September 13; Trinidad, September 20; Raton, September 27; Albuquerque, October 4. The classes for the speed program is as follows: Trotting—2:17, 2:24, free for all and green class. Pacing—2:15, 2:24, free for all and green class. The officers selected to manage the affairs of the circuit for the coming year are: President, Lewis Swink, Rocky Ford; vice-president, C. O. Fisher, Raton; secretary, J. L. Beaman, Pueblo; treasurer, Will R. Murphy, Las Animas; presiding judge, D. L. Silver, Lamar. We notice that they strike Pueblo at the time of the state fair when the northern circuit also has dates there but this will not conflict as they can all enter the same races.—Field and Farm.

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A number of eastern journals have of late been passing around an item similar to this one from the Horseman: "Guy Borden 2:07¼ has been reported by some of our contemporaries as a possible starter in the $20,000 pace at San Francisco, but to do this he will accomplish a feat never heard of before in the world's history, as he died on October 13, 1913, and must be brought back to life before he starts." Probably this item and the others like it arose from a partial perusal of the entry lists published in a recent issue of the Breeder and Sportsman. Our closing paragraph of the preface to the detailed list read that "instances will be noted in the early entries where horses are ineligible by record, or are dead, or known from other sources not to be probable starters, but as owners have not yet made declaration of transfer or substitution, as the case may call for, they appear as originally made." That lets us out, as it is merely a case of our eastern friends failing to "read it all" and jumping at conclusions.

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The old reliable Michigan Short Ship Circuit has been reorganized for the season of 1915 and the following dates assigned: Detroit, July 5; Jackson, July 12; Lima, July 19; Findlay, July 26; Toledo, August 2; Monroe, August 9; Port Huron, August 16; Saginaw, August 23; Bay City, August 30; Detroit (Michigan State Fair), September 6; then the fair circuit composed of Jackson, September 13; Howell, September 20; Charlotte, September 27; Saginaw, October 5. The usual array of class purses will be offered, with early closing thousand dollar stakes for 2:24, 2:20, 2:17 and 2:15 trotters and 2:21, 2:18, 2:14 and 2:13 pacers, while each meeting will give a $500 stake for three-year-old trotters. Conditions determining standing were made to conform with rules 152 and 153 in the A. T. A. code, with the addition of "if at the end of five heats two horses are tied with the lowest number of points for first money the one having the fastest heat to his credit shall be awarded first place."

RECOLLECTIONS OF THE THOROUGHBRED CROSS.

" I have been asked why other breeders of trotters never had the success with the thoroughbred blend that Gov. Leland Stanford had," writes Hamilton Busbey in a recent issue of the Horseman. "One reason is that they did not have an action controlling stallion like Electioneer, and another is that they were not so persistent in efforts to create what might be called a new type, as was the proprietor of Palo Alto Stock Farm. The resources of that establishment were unlimited, and failures only stimulated to greater effort. The educational system at Palo Alto also was in advance of that of other establishments. Hambletonian was a natural trotter, and when bred to Green Mountain Maid, the trotting propensity was increased in the foal. Harry Clay was not the gamest horse in the world, but his blood, as C. J. Hamlin used to say, was like oil to machinery.

"Gov. Stanford was fortunate in selecting mares possessed of what we might call antagonistic action to breed to Electioneer. One of these was Dame Winnie, a chestnut, 15.2 hands high, by Planet (son of Revenue and Nina by Boston), dam Liz Mardis by imp. Glencoe, a horse of great power and symmetry, and winner of the 2,000 guineas and the Ascot and Goodwood Cups; second dam Fanny G. by imp. Margrave, a big and lengthy horse, by Election, that won the Criterion Stakes and the St. Leger prior to being sent from England to Virginia, and third dam Lancess by Lance, a son of the famous American Eclipse.

"Dame Winnie was bought in Kentucky for a moderate price, and at Palo Alto she produced in 1881 to General Benton the bay gelding, Big Jim, which trotted to a record of 2:23½. Her greatest successes were by Electioneer. Palo Alto, her foal of 1882, trotted to a four-year-old record of 2:20¼, to a seven-year-old record of 2:12¼, and to a nine-year-old record of 2:08¾. Although not the smoothest gaited of horses, he was dead game and lasted longer on the turf than many trotters possessed of less friction. His sister, Gertrude Russell (1883), was a very resolute mare and lameness forced her to retire from the track with a record of 2:23½. I saw both Palo Alto and Gertrude Russell in numerous races.

"Columbine was another good mare carrying thoroughbred strains sent to the court of Electioneer. She was a bay of 15.3 by A. W. Richmond (son of Blackbird by Camden and of a daughter of Rattler), dam Columbia by imp. Bonnie Scotland, son of Iago and the celebrated Queen Mary, 2nd dam Young Fashion by imp. Monarch; 3rd dam Fashion by imp. Trustee; 4th dam Bonnets O'Blue by Sir Charles by Sir Archy and 5th dam Reality by Sir Archy, son of imp. Diomed. The blood of Bonnie Scotland and Trustee had proved plastic in action, and it aided Columbine to produce fast trotters like Anteeo 2:16¼, and Antevolo 2:19¼, when bred to Electioneer.

"Neither Palo Alto, Anteeo nor Antevolo has produced speed like May King (1886) 2:20, by Electioneer, dam May Queen 2:20, by Alexander's Norman (son of the Morse Horse); 2nd dam Jenny by Crockett's Arabian, by Mokhladi, an Arabian imported by A. Keene Richards of Blue Grass Park.

"It was my good fortune to know May Queen before she was a record trotter and I often rode in double harness with Mr. Richards behind the sons and daughters of Mokhladi. Maiden, the sister of May King, trotted to a record of 2:23 at three years old and was put to breeding. She was a failure as compared with May King. Opportunity may have had something to do with this.

"Young Miss, a daughter of Young Jim, the handsomest of the sons of George Wilkes 222, dam Miss Mambrino by Red Wilkes, a big, rugged son of George Wilkes, was bred to May King and the result was Bingen 2:06¼, founder of a great family of trotters. Kinglyne, the full sister of Bingen, was in achievement far below the standard of her brother. Members of families differ in temperament and action and this well known fact adds to the uncertainty of breeding.

"When Electioneer was bred to Lula Wilkes, daughter of George Wilkes and Lula (a fast but erratic daughter of Norman and Kate Crockett) the outcome was Advertiser. He trotted to a record of 2:15½ and when bred to the famous Beautifull Bells, by The Moor, gave us Adbell, whose 2:23 was the champion trotting record for yearlings from 1894 to 1909. I saw Lula in her speed flights on mile tracks and entertained the belief at one time that she would become the champion trotter. The trouble was in her head, not in her action. In the days of his prestige an offer of more than one hundred thousand dollars was refused for Advertiser.

"Edith, a bay mare of 15.2 by George Wilkes, dam Edith Carr by Clark Chief, 2nd dam Easter Carr by imp. Margrave, was bred to Electioneer and the result in 1886 was Hummer, who passed to Wm. Simpson of Empire City Farms. Although he was of the Electioneer-George Wilkes combination he did not trot to a standard record, but produced 17 trotters and 12 pacers, and his blood is breeding on. Mr. Simpson at one time expected him to eclipse Advertiser as a sire of speed.

"A. J. Alexander was the first conspicuous breeder to use thoroughbred mares for the purpose of increasing the speed rate of the trotting horse. That was during and immediately after the Civil War, and trotting horse breeding was in an experimental stage. Mr. Alexander's two greatest successes in this line were Miss Russell by Pilot Jr., out of Sally Russell, thoroughbred daughter of Boston, and Midnight by Pilot Jr., out of Twilight, thoroughbred daughter of Lexington, son of Boston. Miss Russell, bred to Harold, son of Rysdyk's Hambletonian, gave us Maud S., long the undisputed queen of the trotting turf, 2:08¾ to high wheel sulky on a regular track; and Midnight, bred to Dictator by Rysdyk's Hambletonian, furnished us Jay Eye See, the great rival of Maud S., and whose 2:10 at Providence made him the champion trotter for one day."

THE HORSE SHOW.

From the point of view of both exhibitors and spectators, the horse show at the Riding and Driving School last week was a most successful and enjoyable event, the support accorded and the pleasure derived from it promising much for the future of the affair as one of the fixed events of the winter season.

It would have been a hard matter for those in charge to have arranged a more comprehensive program, everything in the horse line from the most diminutive children's pets to the biggest draft stallions in the local barns being provided with opportunity for winning cups, ribbons or cash, and in almost every instance the classes were well filled. The grade of horses brought out in the competitions was exceptionally high and a number of the winners at able affair, the support accorded and the pleasure into the ring with the cracks of the country at the P.-P. I. E. shows.

Jumping exhibitions, drills and polo added to the dash of the evening programs and were much enjoyed. Society turned out en masse to fill the boxes and join in the various social events that were the companion attractions offered at the club, the loft having been most harmoniously decorated and prepared for the occasion.

The profits of the show were very satisfactory and will do much toward relieving the financial worries that are besetting those in charge of the good work being done by the People's Place. The officials in charge were Messrs. J. J. Gethin, manager; S. E. Kramer, secretary; Dr. C. Masoero, veterinarian, and W. J. Clements, Vancouver, ringmaster. Mr. D. O. Lively of the P.-P. I. E. Department of Livestock made the awards in the drafter classes, while Messrs. Godfrey Preece of New York, John W. Considine of Seattle, and Capt. L. R. Ball, U. S. A., picked the winners in the general program.

Following are the selections of the judges for first and second horse in each class:

THURSDAY EVENING.

Roadsters, trotters—Allan first, S. Christenson; Tom Smith second, D. E. Hoffman.

Saddle horses, three gaits—Bessie first, Mrs. C. H. Kirby; Kildare second, Miss Ethel B. Davie.

Saddle horses, five gaits—Mexico first, S. L. Goldstein; Midnight second, Mrs. W. L. McGuire.

Polo ponies, novice—Hussar first, Lt. D. L. Roscoe; High Spots second, Harry Hastings.

Combination horses, to harness and under saddle—Killarney first, Mrs. E. H. Lockwood; Bettina second, Mrs. F. N. Woods, Jr.

Police horses—Buster first, Officer G. A. Merchants; Barney second, Officer M. Hanley.

Horses suitable for cavalry—Golden first, E. C. Ford; General second, E. de L. Cebrian.

Heavy harness horses—Lady Barbara first, Miss Marucia Mintzer; Delight second, E. J. DePue.

Stock horses—Flying Dutchman first, W. S. Tevis, Jr.; Sergeant second, G. A. Merchants.

Ladies' jumping class—Esperanza first, F. E. Abecassis; Arab second, H. G. Leonard.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON.

Belgian stallions—Dragon first, Zola de Commin second, Dunham-McLaughlin Co.

Roadsters, pacers—Hamburg Belle first, John Ginocchio; J. G. P. second, Dexter Prince Stables.

Roadsters, trotting teams—Tom Smith and Jonesie Mc. first, D. E. Hoffman; Miss Johnson and Mackay second, Ed Kelley.

Saddle horses, special—Lee Rex first, Leon Liebes; Alpha second, Judge E. A. Bridgeford.

Harness pairs—Starlight and Harriet first, Kelley's Stables; Delight and Emiline second, E. J. DePue.

Trotting Marathon—Smiley Corbett first, S. Christenson; Ida M. second, H. A. Boyle.

Percheron stallions, special—Jusqua first, Mrs. Anita Baldwin; Motif second, Dunham-McLaughlin Co.

Runabout classes—Chester Chief first, Mrs. Carolyn Schreiber; Delight second, E. J. DePue.

Saddle horses, three gaits—Killarney first, Mrs. E. H. Lockwood; Golden second, E. C. Ford.

Polo ponies, light weight—Problem first, G. T. Cameron; Tango second, W. S. Tevis, Jr.

Saddle horses shown in hand, two types—With long tails, Rex Mack first, A. W. Pike; Undulata Annie second, Mrs. W. C. Ralston. With short tails, Star first, E. S. Heller; Chester Chief second, Mrs. Carolyn Schreiber.

Drivers single, business buggies—Alto Trix first, E. M. Doyle; Black Belle second, Kelley's Stables.

Saddle horses, three gaits—Star first, E. S. Heller; Delight second, E. J. DePue.

FRIDAY EVENING.

Roadsters, trotters—Tom Smith first, D. E. Hoffman; Alto Trix second, E. M. Doyle.

Thoroughbred saddle horses—Bob White first, Oscar Romander; Lord Golden second, Mrs. E. H. Lockwood.

Ladies' phaeton class—Lady Barbara first, Miss Marucia Mintzer; Pluto second, Mrs. T. L. Johnson.

Saddle horses, five gaits—Chancellor first, Mrs. E. H. Lockwood; Alpha second, Judge E. A. Bridgeford.

Horses suitable for officers' mounts—Fox Catcher first, Lt. D. L. Roscoe; Diffident second, Gen. W. S. Schuyler.

Tandem harness class—Pluto and Proteus first, Mrs. T. L. Johnson; Delight and Emiline second, E. J. DePue.

Ladies' saddle horses—Delight first, E. J. DePue; Kildaire second, Miss Ethel B. Davie.

Saddle horses, three gaits—Golden first, E. C. Ford; General second, L. de L. Cebrian.

Saddle horses, three gaits—General first, L. de L. Cebrian; Sligo second, Mrs. W. C. Ralston.

SATURDAY AFTERNOON.

Children's ponies, 12.2 and under—two types, Bonny and Silver firsts, Miss Laura McGinn and Master Jerry Bishop.

Children's ponies, 14:1 and under, to harness—Proteus first, Mrs. T. L. Johnson; Melba second, Miss Edith Goldstein.

Saddle tandems, long tailed—Lee Rex and Rex Mc first, Leon Liebes and A. W. Pike; Gwendoline and Lady Io second, E. J. DePue.

Children's ponies, 12.2 to 13.2—Mary first, Miss M. Fleishacker; Beauty second, Miss M. O'Connor.

Polo ponies, weight carriers—Flying Dutchman first, W. S. Tevis, Jr.; Peanuts second, G. T. Cameron.

Children's ponies, 13.2 to 14.2—Melba first, Miss Edith Goldstein; Chum second, Miss Barbara Payne.

Trotting teams—Jonesie Mc. and Tom Smith first. D. E. Hoffman; Smiley Corbett and Sutton second, S. Christenson.

Saddle horses, three gaits, open—Killarney first, Mrs. E. H. Lockwood; Bettina second, Mrs. F. N. Woods, Jr.

Combination horses—Delight first, E. J. DePue; Pluto second, Mrs. T. L. Johnson.

Hunters or jumpers—Bob White first, Oscar Romander; Czarea second, Miss Beatrice Nickel.

SATURDAY EVENING.

Heavy harness horses—Oregon first, L. S. Greenbaum; Emiline second, E. J. DePue.

Polo ponies, championship—Lightweight, Flying Dutchman, W. S. Tevis, Jr.; heavyweight, Problem, G. F. Cameron.

Saddle horses, park hacks—Delight first, E. J. DePue; Hilarity second, F. E. Abecassis.

Saddle horses, five gaits, championship—Chancellor, Mrs. E. H. Lockwood.

Saddle tandems, short tail—Emiline and Delight first, E. J. DePue; Kildaire and Glenn second, Mrs. W. C. Ralston.

Ladies' saddle horses, three gaits—Killarney first, Mrs. E. H. Lockwood; Gwendoline second, E. J. DePue.

Saddle horses, 15.2 and under, championship, two types—Long tail, Kildaire, Miss E. B. Davie; short tail, Delight, E. J. DePue.

Heavy harness horses, championship—Lady Barbara, Miss Marucia Mintzer.

Saddle horses, over 15.2, championship, two types—Long tail, Golden, E. C. Ford; short tail, Killarney, Mrs. E. H. Lockwood.

Jumpers, hurdle and broadjump—Esperanza first, Hilarity second, F. E. Abecassis.

A. T. R. A. MEETING.

The annual meeting of Stockholders of the American Trotting Register Association was held in Chicago at the offices of the corporation on last Wednesday, Feb. 3, at high noon. There being no business other than that of a routine nature the attendance was very light. The stockholders present in person were: Wm. Russell Allen of Pittsfield, Mass.; Paul Wilson of Menominee, Wis.; Fred E. Marsh of Libertyville, Ill.; Lee Sturgis, W. J. Davis, W. H. Knight and Frank E. Best, the last four named all of Chicago. The only newspaper men present were Henry Ten Eyck White and Arthur C. Thomas.

The committee on credentials — Messrs. Wilson, White and Best — found 533 shares represented out of 960. A number of other proxies were received, but the signers had neglected to affix revenue stamps, as required by the new law, and they could not be voted. The shares represented last year were 741, the year previous 662.

The treasurer's report showed the following receipts (odd cents omitted): Balance on hand, $4,536; registration receipts, $10,365; certificates, $2.16; transfers, $66; register sales, $2,790; Year Book sales, $2,665; miscellaneous, $85; interest, $148; total, $20,917.

The payments were: Salaries, $6,727; rent, $900; postage, $484; stationery and printing, $556; refunds, $214; miscellaneous, $386; discount, $23; advertising, $62; total, $9,348, leaving a surplus of $11,579.

President Allen announced that the year'ss profits were $5,962 as compared with $4,684 the year previous, but explained that the printing of the 1914 year book had not been deducted from this year's business, so, in reality, the profits for the past year were less than in the previous year.

The cause of the falling off in registrations was discussed. The passing of the road horse, due to the automobile, was assumed to be responsible for most of it. Mr. White called attention to the thousands of horses previously bred and owned by physicians alone. Mr. Thomas stated that Kentucky Futurity figures showed a falling off in entries that was more noticeable on the part of large breeders than of small ones. Mr. Best drew attention to the gradual increase in number of race meetings. Mr. Knight inferred, since breeding was declining and racing was increasing, that it was only a question of time till there would be a shortage of light harness horses.

The following ten directors were elected for the ensuing three years: Wm. Russell Allen, R. C. Estill, E. D. Gould, W. C. Brown, H. K. Devereux, Sterling R. Holt, P. P. Johnston, W. H. Knight, W. G. Simpson and Paul Wilson. Messrs. Estill and Gould are new directors, the former taking the place of J. W. Bailey, resigned, the latter of Lucas Broadhead, deceased. The vacancy caused by the death of L. V. Harkness was filled by electing David M. Look with one year to serve. The vacancy caused by the death of John H. Shults was filled by the election of E. J. Curtin with two years to serve.

The directors whose terms expire next year (1916) are: H. N. Bain, W. P. Ijams, H. C. Jewett, Alex Maclaren, F. E. Marsh, T. H. Rundle, W. H. Smolliner, Reese Blizzard, L. C. Webb and David M. Look.

The directors whose terms expire in 1917 are: W. G. Bennett, David Bonner, A. B. Coxe, Asa H. Danforth, W. J. Davis, W. W. Estill, Harry E. Hopper, F. E. Perkins, H. J. Schlesinger and E. J. Curtin.

The officers of the association are: Wm. Russell Allen, president; Horatio N. Bain, vice-president; Frank E. Best, registrar; W. H. Knight, secretary and treasurer. The Board of Censors consists of: W. P. Ijams, Asa H. Danforth and Horatio N. Bain.

The stockholders voted to recommend to the executive committee that the dividend be passed. This is the second year that no dividend has been paid.

Messrs. Marsh, Davis and White were appointed on a committee to purchase cups for the prizes to be awarded by the association at the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

Frank E. Best was asked why the Year Book was not out. He explained that he had started to compile the book with reference to the new eligibility rules so that it would show a horse's fastest winning race record, but found the task so monumental it had to be abandoned, and this caused the delay.

President Allen said: "Every effort should be made to publish the Year Book by January 1. A rival publication comes out then. Of course we know that the Year Book is superior to the other annual, but our book should appear as early as theirs even if we have to hire additional clerks and split the work up among them."

Mr. Best explained that the 1914 Year Book would follow a new plan. The great table will be curtailed to include only those sires whose sons and daughters made new records or produced speed in 1914. The index to record horses will cover only the past five years, not of all time. The brood mare table will be curtailed along lines similar to the great table. In other words, the new Vol. 30 will have the same relation to Vol. 29 as Vol. 9 had to Vol. 8. This will make Volume 29 in time very valuable. The price of the book has been reduced from $5 to $3. "The book was assuming such enormous proportions," said Mr. Best, "that we had to make a change somewhere and we finally decided on the plan I have just explained."

May Overton applied to the association for a check for his dividends. For about 15 years past Mr. Overton has not been cashing his annual $6 dividend checks. The stockholders decided to honor all of the old checks Mr. Overton could discover but refused to go to the expense of hiring an auditor to go over the books of the association, many of which are in storage, to determine how many checks he may have lost.

There was not a sufficient quorum for a meeting of either the executive committee or Board of Directors.—Horseman.

A NEW KIND OF HORSE STORY FROM PALO ALTO.

Many are the wonderful stories concerning horses that have originated in years gone by at Palo Alto, but recent daily papers on the coast carry a brand new one of a slightly different nature. They used to startle the world at Palo Alto with tales of the wondrous speed of the native-born trotters, but the present wonder tale deals with size. And the critter is not a native Palo Altan at that, but importation from Fresno county, which of course is a handicap. Had the runt been born at Palo Alto he would have tipped the scales at least another hundredweight, but here you are—judge for yourself:

Palo Alto, February 13.—A giant young horse just brought from the mountains of Fresno county was shod in Palo Alto yesterday by Edward L. Taylor, famous as the expert shoer of most of Senator Stanford's great racing horses.

This huge young horse stands six feet two inches high, measures ten feet one and a quarter inches in length of body from shoulder to heel, and, as he stands with his head up, the tips of his ears are eight feet two inches above the ground.

His head, from eartips to lower lip, is forty-two inches long.

His feet are said to break all records known to horseshoers. The veteran Taylor, now a grizzled old man, has been in the business of shoeing horses for forty-eight years, and he declared that this job was the biggest he had ever tackled. It took Taylor and his helper three hours to trim the left front foot of this horse and fit on the shoe, which had to be specially made.

The shoe measures nine and five-eighths inches across and nine and a quarter inches from front to back. For the four shoes there was required a strip of steel eight feet long, one and a half inches wide and half an inch thick.

The animal is so big that the work of holding up one corner of him in the process of shoeing proved a tremendous physical tax upon the strength of the shoer, especially as the young horse is inexperienced in standing accommodatingly to have shoes fitted.

At that, this horse is almost down to skin and bone at present, weighing only 2400 pounds.

He is a great, good-natured brute, sorrel in color, with a bald white face, a kind eye, a close-cropped mane and a light-colored tail. He was born near Wheatville, in Fresno county, six years ago this spring, and according to the man named Francis, who owned him as a colt, he weighed 800 pounds when born and caused the death of the mare that gave him birth.

Jasper Paulson, the horse dealer who has resided in Palo Alto for a quarter of a century, tours the country buying work and driving and riding animals. While in Fresno county this week he heard of this horse and went out to see if the story was true about his amazing size.

Paulson found the big animal working as off-wheeler on a six-horse freighting team, and traded three small brood mares in exchange for the giant gelding.

The horse is partly of Percheron stock and partly of Belgian ancestry.

He wears a twenty-six-inch work collar, is said to have pulled all alone a load of ten tons, and consumes one bale of hay a day.

He could easily haul one of the city's big water-wagons.

Paulson says that the horse, for which he has not yet selected a name that seems to him comprehensively appropriate, only needs proper care to be in a few months sporting a sleek coat, a showy tail and a rounded figure that will weigh an even 3000 pounds.

Only two of the feet got shod yesterday. The hind feet were provided with shoes today.

Mr. S. S. Bailey and family arrived at Pleasanton last week and are settled comfortably for the season, Mr. Bailey looking very well in spite of his recent illness.

The Dual Purpose Cattle

[By W. F. Ward, Senior Husbandman in Beef Cattle Investigations, Animal Husbandry Division.]

The dual-purpose cattle have been bred to produce females which would yield a good quantity of milk and produce offspring which would be desirable for beef. As the type of animal necessary for the production of large yields of milk is entirely different from that of the beef animals, it has been impossible to produce a breed which would combine these functions and be of superior merit for both purposes. The dual-purpose animal may, however, be a desirable milker and at the same time produce calves which make good, though not superior, beef animals. As there has been a constant tendency for some breeders to incline more to the dairy type of animals, while others prefer to develop the beef tendencies, there has been and probably always will be a wide variation in the type of dual-purpose animals. They are not so uniform in conformation as either the strictly beef or dairy breeds. Most breeders prefer to use cows which approach the dairy type nearer than the beef type and to use a bull of the beef type that had a dam with a good milk record. The offspring of such cattle necessarily can not be of as uniform type as the breeds which have but one function to perform.

The dual-purpose cattle are popular with the small farmer who keeps but a few cattle and must depend upon them to produce all the milk and butter needed for the family and at the same time raise calves or steers which sell readily for slaughter purposes. They have not been popular with the ranchman or farmer who raises large numbers of cattle.

The principal dual-purpose breeds in the United States are certain types of the Shorthorn, together with the Red Polls and Devons. Brahman or "Indian" cattle are sometimes included under this class, and are briefly discussed because of their importance in certain restricted sections of the country.

SHORTHORN.

The dual-purpose Shorthorn is more popular than any of the other dual-purpose breeds. They respond readily to good treatment, and have become exceedingly popular with the small farmer. Formerly these cattle were almost entirely of the Bates strain, but at the present time many of them contain considerable Scotch blood. As a breed they are the same as the beef-bred Shorthorns, except that the beefy tendency is not as strongly emphasized. The milking qualities have been developed, and the cows have a conformation approaching the regular dual-purpose form, being longer of limb, higher in flank, larger in barrel, and thinner in hams than the beef Shorthorns. The bulls approach the beef type more than the cows, but are lighter in the hind quarter and a little higher in flank and not so heavily fleshed as the strictly beef type. The udder extends high up in the back and well forward, the milk veins are usually very prominent, and the teats are medium to large in size and are well set. Calves from the cows by a well-fleshed bull usually grow and fatten well and make a good quality of beef.

RED POLLS.

The Red Polled cattle originated in England and were introduced into this country in 1873, but few importations were made until about 1885. Since that time many have been imported. This is strictly a dual-purpose breed, and approaches the ideal of the dual-purpose type. In size they are smaller than the beef breeds, and have not the thick covering of flesh. Mature bulls weigh from 1,700 to 2,100 pounds or more and the cows from 1,000 to 1,350 pounds or more. Occasionally very heavy individuals are found, but these are the exception and not the rule.

The cattle of this breed are fair grazers, ranking with or slightly ahead of the Shorthorns, but not equal to the Devon or Hereford. They are very prepotent, and give uniformity in offspring when bred to native cows. Like all dual-purpose breeds, it has been hard to fix or hold a uniform type, as many breeders incline to beef production, while others try to develop the milking qualities to the detriment of the beef form.

This breed has long been celebrated for its early maturity, easy fleshing qualities, and for a fair to good milk flow. The steers have attracted attention and sold for high prices on English markets for years, and have made very creditable showings in this country. They make good daily gains and lay on flesh evenly. They are usually rather leggy, and lack the heavy fleshing qualities of the beef breeds. The hind quarters are less well developed, with a tendency toward a rather thin thigh and a high flank and twist.

The milking qualities of the breed are fair. Many of the cows average over 5,000 pounds of milk a year. The cows flesh up readily when dry. The milk is not rich, usually testing from 3.7 to 4 per cent of fat.

In conformation these cattle resemble the Devon. The head is lean, medium in length, with a well-defined poll covered with a nice tuft of hair of medium length. The neck is longer and thinner than in the beef breeds and does not blend with the shoulders so nicely. The chest is usually well developed and the ribs well sprung, though lacking in a thick covering of flesh. The barrel is developed to a greater extent than with the beef breeds, and the loin and hindquarter are lighter fleshed. The bone is of medium size. The skin is thin, soft and pliable, and the hair is short and fine, showing quality. The color ranges from light red to dark red, but a deep, rich red is preferred throughout, although a little white on the udder or underline and a white brush are permissible. The udder is well developed in the back, but does not come forward well; it is "chopped off," and the tendency is to develop large teats. The milk veins are prominent and of fair size.

The Red Polls are more nervous than the Shorthorn, but less so than the Aberdeen-Angus. As this is a comparatively young breed, they are not so popular as the older breeds. As dual-purpose cattle they are hard to excel; they are popular in the Mississippi Valley States and have given excellent results for grading up the native cattle in the South, but they have never been used to any extent on the western ranges.

The association for this breed states that the following bulls have probably done more for the improvement of the Red Polled breed during the past fifteen years than any others: Corporal 4313, Demon 5421, Abbotsford 4721, Nailer 7396, One Price 8523, Irwin 8253, Cremo 13018, Logan 13500, Dafter 15871, and Elgin 19464. The popular families in this country at the present time are Dorothy, Lulu, Pear, Lillette, and Cosy.

The secretary of the Red Polled Cattle Club of America (Inc.) is Mr. H. A. Martin, Gotham, Wis.

DEVON.

This is one of the oldest breeds of cattle. They were introduced into this country at an early date and became popular in New England and in parts of Virginia nearly a century ago. The cows were good milkers, and the steers were used as work oxen or for beef, and filled either place admirably. They are exceedingly good rustlers, are vigorous, hardy, withstand both heat and cold well, and are very prepotent. For these reasons they were popular with the people of New England. They are slower of growth than any of the beef breeds except the Galloway. Their endurance, intelligence, and their gameness have made them popular as work oxen wherever they have been tried—no breeds excel them in this respect.

In size they are somewhat smaller than the Red Polled, mature bulls weighing from 1,500 to 2,000 and cows from 1,100 to 1,400 pounds or more. They are solid red in color, white being permitted only on the udder, or near the scrotum of the male, and on the switch of the tail. The shade of red varies, but a rich bright red is preferred. In conformation the Devons incline more to the beef type than to the dual-purpose type. They are close coupled, very compact, smooth, and rank high in quality and style. They have small bone, which is hard and compact, giving a slender, fine leg.

The head is lean, clean-cut, of medium length, and surmounted by rather long white or waxy horns, which curve upward, forward, outward, and backward in the cow and are almost straight in the bull. The horns of the steers are large, long, and often widespread, usually being very white or waxy, with dark tips. The neck is medium length, smooth, and blends nicely with the shoulder. The body is compact, fairly well covered with flesh, has well-sprung, deep ribs, and is usually low set. The chest, back, loin, and hindquarters are usually well developed, though the flank and twist are usually somewhat higher than in the beef breeds. The cows are fair to good milkers, giving rich milk, and always provide an abundance to produce a good calf. The steers fatten somewhat slower than the beef breeds, but produce meat fine in texture and of good quality.. The breed cannot be surpased as grazers, but they are usually slower in growth than the beef breeds, and this alone can account for the fact that they have never become popular throughout the country. In New England, in parts of the South, and in a few other States the Devon has proved profitable, especially on lands where the grazing was rather scant or of poor quality. They are prepotent; good calves are produced when good bulls are mated with common cows, and such calves usually make fair milkers. The Devon does not now hold a high rank among the breeds of the United States; since the ox has lost in popularity as a draft animal the Devon has become less popular.

Information concerning Devon cattle may be secured from Mr. L. P. Sisson, secretary of the American Devon Cattle Club, Charlottesville, Va.

BRAHMAN OR "INDIAN" CATTLE.

Under the names of Brahman, "Indian," or Zebu cattle are classified a number of different strains of cattle of the species Bos indicus. Sofe of these strains vary so in type, color, size, and habitat that they are classified as separate breeds. The most important breeds of these cattle are the Krishna Valley and Hissar breeds. These cattle are classed as dual-purpose animals, as many of the females give a good quantity of milk. They are used quite generally in India as milch cows, and are more satisfactory than any other breed of cattle under the severe conditions of drought, heat, insect enemies, etc.

As these cattle have been raised for more than 3,000 years in a hot climate, they are only suitable for the extreme southern portions of this country. Although they are of a different species from our common breeds of cattle, they cross readily with them. The females of this breed carry their calves somewhat longer than other cattle, the period of gestation being about 300 days.

The oil secreted by the sebaceous glands of the skin is of a peculiar odor and gives the skin a soft, oily feeling. This peculiarity, combined with the scant covering of hair and the extremely tough hide, affords these animals considerable protection from ticks, mosquitoes, screw worms, etc. Cattle ticks do not bother the purebred cattle at all, and few of the half-breeds become infested to any appreciable extent.

These cattle stand the heat well and have great endurance, moving readily in a fast walk or trot. They make the best of work steers if handled constantly by one driver, but they have a nervous disposition and give considerable trouble where the drivers are frequently changed. They are more nervous than any of our breeds of cattle. When raised in small herds and handled constantly they are quite docile, but if handled under range conditions they become wild and stampede or fight readily. The quality of the beef from these animals or from grade Brahmans is slightly inferior to that of either the beef breeds or the dual-purpose cattle, but they dress out a high percentage of meat. For extreme southern Texas and the land adjacent to the Gulf coast in Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, and Florida, where the ticks, mosquitoes, and screw worms are prevalent, these cattle may prove very valuable for crossing with native cattle.

In size the bulls range from 1,500 to 1,800 pounds, and many of them attain a height of six feet, while the cows usually weigh from 1,100 to 1,400 pounds. The various strains of these cattle have different colors, although each strain has a fixed color. The colors are pure white or a creamy white, silvery gray, red, and dark brown approaching black. The silver gray, with dark fawn on shoulders and neck, and the creamy white are the most popular colors. Many of the animals have brindle stripes on the body.

The chief characteristics of the breed are the large hump on the withers, the large loose folds of skin forming the dewlap and the naval, and the long, drooping, pendulous ears. The head is also characteristic of this breed, as it is long, with a forehead which recedes from the eyes to the horns, while the bones forming the brow are prominent. The head tapers gradually from the eyes to the nostrils, the horns are dark, short, straight, heavy at the base, and point upward and backward. The ears are very long, drooping, and are thin and oily, frequently being almost devoid of hair. The eye is mild and sleepy, but changes quickly when the animal is aroused. The neck is of medium length and has heavy folds of skin forming an overdeveloped dewlap with fullness at the throttle. The body is deep but rather narrow, the hips are long, sloping, and narrow, and the rump often droops toward the tail. The legs are long, tapering, and show a strong bone free from coarseness. A very heavy sheath is developed and in old bulls often hangs 9 inches or more below the belly. The hump is large in males, attaining a height of 12 to 16 inches, but is not so well developed in the females. The half-bred males may have a moderately developed hump, but the half-bred females have none. Animals which contain as little as one-sixteenth Brahman blood usually show some Brahman characteristics, especially in the shape of the head and the loose folds of skin forming dewlap and navel.

KANSAS AND OKLAHOMA CIRCUIT.

Plans for the Kansas and Oklahoma circuit for the season of 1915 were perfected at a recent meeting of the secretaries of the various points, and as arranged the circuit provides fourteen weeks of racing as follows: Howard, week of July 12; Council Grove, week of July 19; Herington, week of July 26; Anthony, week of Aug. 2; Pratt, week of Aug. 9; McPherson, week of Aug. 16; Eureka, week of Aug. 23; Iola, week of Aug. 30; Winfield, week of Sept. 6; Topeka, Kan., week of Sept. 13; Hutchinson, week of Sept. 20; Oklahoma City, week of Sept. 27; Muskogee, week of Oct. 4; Chanute, week of Oct. 11. The minimum purses for aged classes are $400, with larger amounts in many instances, and a comprehensive program of classes for each way of going, and all ages, has been arranged. The board of directors elected for the year the following officers: Dr. F. S. Beattie, Iola, president; F. W. Sidle, Winfield, vice-president, and Ed L. Teed, Hutchinson, secretary and treasurer.

Of the various points from which we have had reports, Salinas seems to have suffered the heaviest damage during the recent storms that swept California, the race track seeming to have been the scene of some of the most severe of the storms' attacks. The new addition to the grandstand, erected last year at a cost of several thousand dollars by the Rodeo association, came in for some special attention on the part of the wind, the roof and other timbers being torn loose and scattered promiscuously over the neighborhood. The barns and the Helman residence were sheltered and fortunately escaped injury, though "H. H." and family doubtless had some uneasy moments before the storm wore away.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

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WILD DOGS.

Azara's Dog.—This dog, foxlike in appearance, has a long body and long, bushy tail. Its legs are short, its ears are large. It is not closely related to the European fox, for its skull is quite unlike that animal's, and agrees with that of the wolves and jackal's. True foxes are unknown in South America.

Although Azara's dog exhibits some seasonable variation in color, as well as in the length of fur, the general color must be described as gray with black and white on the back, and black patches on the shoulders, also on the rump. The under parts of the body are almost white. The ears are tipped with black, as is the end of the tail; the general hue of which is a mixture of black and white. This animal is really beautiful, and is found almost everywhere in South America from Argentina to Chile and Brazil. It feeds chiefly upon small animals and birds. It is not known to burrow on its own account, but in the spring—the breeding season—the female lives in the hole of some other creature, not always a deserted hole. Indeed, she often takes up her residence in the home of the rodent called Patagonian hare (vizcacha), and drives the rightful owners out of a part of it. After a time, the unwelcome stranger ceases to receive much attention, because she is unassuming and gives little trouble. But as soon as the young vizcachas are large enough to leave their kennels, then the dog-fox makes them her prey. Having a family to provide for, she will grow so bold as to hunt her helpless quarry from one hole to another, and do battle with the parents, and carry off the immature ones notwithstanding all efforts for the protection of the latter. In some cases, after all the juvenile vizcachas have been eaten, and the young Azara dogs are big enough to follow their mother, the entire family leaves the vizcacha's burrow where such cruel havoc has been made, to settle in another, and to continue the usual depredations in that place. In a few words, Azara's dog, although far from any fox as far as science is concerned, is purely a fox in habits.

The death-feigning instinct possessed by this creature in company with one of the South American opossums (Didelphys) and at least one variety of the partridge (spotted tinamou), is sufficiently remarkable to require detailed notice. When the Azara dog is caught in a trap or run down by dogs, it at first fights savagely, but by degrees relaxes, and drops to the ground—apparently dead. The deception is so well carried out that dogs are often "taken in" by it, and no man would hesitate to pronounce the creature dead. Nevertheless, if one withdraws a little way from feigning fox-dog, and watches it very attentively, a slight opening of one or both eyes may be detected. Eventually, when left to itself, the animal does not start up as if it had been stunned, but slowly and cautiously raises its head first, and only assumes a natural position when its enemies are at a safe distance. It is a fact that some natives of South America have performed barbarous experiments upon death-feigning Azara dogs without succeeding in arousing them into exhibiting the ordinary signs of life, and this seems to show that the death-similating swoon is something more than a cunning habit, for if it was merely such a trick, no animal would allow itself to be wounded without wincing. A fairly reasonable hypothesis seems to be that the fox-dog, although not insensible, as its behavior on the departure of its enemies seems to prove, has its body thrown by extreme terror into that benumbed condition which simulates death, and during which it is unable to feel the tortures practised upon it.

It is most strange that an animal so powerful, fierce and able to inflict such terrible injury with the teeth as Azara's dog can inflict, should also possess the safeguard described above, which would appear more suited to weak or inactive creatures that can neither escape from an enemy nor resist it. The writer is unable to suggest the slightest explanation, and none seems to be in print.

The Cape Hunting Dog.—This dog is a distinct type, being differentiated from other dogs by the possession of only four toes on both fore and hind limbs, and by the possession of the same number of teeth as the wolf. In general appearance it is not unlike the hyena, the resemblance being due to the ochraceous gray ground-color with black markings, and the long ears. The vernacular name "Cape Hunting Dog" is due to the fact that the hunting is done by packs and not by solitary animals. The range of this dog is over the more open parts of Africa south of the Sahara and Abyssinia. It is about as tall as a grayhound, its legs being relatively long and slender, and adapted to the swift and enduring speed upon which it must depend for a livelihood. The head is broad and flat, with a short muzzle armed with massive teeth, somewhat large, upstanding furry ears, and a suggestion of the hyena in the physiognomy. The likeness to the last-named animal—even to the spotted hyena—however, is wholly superficial. The fur is short, thick, smooth, but is most shaggy about the cheeks and throat. The tail is long and wolf-like. Although the dog's general color is yellowish-gray, as has already been mentioned, it is often marked most irregularly with a variety of colors, such as a combination of red, white, yellow, and even black spots. It is probably correct to say that of all mammals the hyena-dog presents the greatest variety of distinct hues.

The voice of the Cape hunting dog consists of three different kinds of cry, each being used on special occasions. One of these is a short, angry bark, usually uttered when some unrecognized object is seen. Another resembles a number of monkeys chattering together—a very unusual cry for dogs. This sound is emitted at night when large numbers of the animals are together, and they are excited by some special occurrence, such as being barked at by domestic dogs. The third cry is said to resemble the second note of the (so-called) English cuckoo, and its significance does not appear to be known.

In the Southern Sudan, where these animals are abundant, the German writer, Schweinfurth (The Heart of Africa) saw one specimen that was quite tame, requiring no restraint beyond a chain, and obeyed its owner with all the docility of an ordinary dog. This observation seems to corroborate the assertion of Livingstone that the natives of the Kalahari desert are in the habit of taming the hyena-dog and training it for hunting purposes.

To Africans generally, both white and black, the hyena-dog is one of the most truly wild and dangerous animals of the country, taking the place of the wolves of the northern part of the world. The Cape hunting dogs gathered into packs, and astonished and terrified the early settlers and explorers by their numbers, audacity and strange cries. They frequented plains and scantily forested or bushy regions, where the small antelopes were plentiful, for these creatures were their chief prey. They pursued them in concert, although in some cases only two dogs worked together, until the baffled victim, sometimes of the larger species, was cornered or exhausted, and could be pulled down. The hyena-dogs were a terrible scourge to the sheep and goats of the early frontier farmers, as they killed or mangled many more of the flock in one of their nocturnal forays than they could possibly eat. The war waged against them in consequence of their attacks, and the diminution of the wild game, has caused a great decrease in their numbers; but numerous bands still range in the wilds of East and Central Africa, and the deserts west of Cape Colony. Further details can be obtained from Selous' "A Hunter's Wanderings," published in 1890.

The Dingo.—The improbability of Australia possessing a native placental mammal of fairly large size, and the fact that the dingo is not found in Tasmania or New Zealand, lend force to the belief that it must be a dog of Asiatic origin brought to Australia by the aborigines, and that it gradually became feral. It was at one time believed that the dingo, which was the only placental mammal found in Australia before the introduction of Europen species, might possibly be the descendant of the domestic dog run wild, but this has been disproved by the discovery of its remains in the quarternary strata of continental Australia. Nevertheless, it is possible that the ancestors of the dingo were introducel by quarternary man.

The dingo is a little less than two feet high, and is about two and a half feet in length. In color it varies greatly, some examples being to a considerable extent black, while others are pale brown. Although in a wild state these animals do not bark or growl, tame specimens placed among domestic dogs soon learn to bark. When teased, the dingo does not utter any sound, but raises its head to an erect position and becomes furious. Its prowess as a hunter is only too well known to the shepherds of Australia from its depredations among the flocks. A pack of from eighty to a hundred animals of the dingo species will pursue the prey, running with heads high and ears erect, till a killing occurs. When opportunity offers, much more is killed than can by any possibility be eaten. This seems to indicate love of hunting.

The dingo is domesticated by the native Australians in all parts of the continent, the puppies being found in hollow trees and similar places where the female animals make their lair. All native Australians treat these puppies kindly, and the latter become faithful companions as well as good assistants to their owners in search for opossums and other creatures which the black men of Australia use as food. These men, however, kill and eat the wild dingo, disemboweling it and then roasting the carcass whole in the earth under a fire.

With the advance of civilization, the dingo, like the native races to which it is companion, has gradually disappeared from large parts of southern and eastern Australia, and its numbers are elsewhere steadily decreasing. Its complete extermination as a wild animal is not improbable, because it is a serious menace to sheep. Its local extermination, however, has more than once been followed by such a great increase of grass-eating marsupials, upon which it preyed, that special efforts have been necessary to kill them off.

The Indian "Wild" Dog.—The Indian wild dog inhabits the forested parts of the entire Himilayan region, the treeless area of Eastern Thibet, and southward as far as the great forests of India, is usually known by the name "dhole." The buansu, peculiar to northern India, is merely a variety of dhole.

The chief characteristic of the Indian wild dogs is that they hunt in packs, and do not utter any sound while hunting. When once a pack of these creatures has started any animal, whether deer or tiger, that animal's doom is sealed. Some part of the pack will follow the prey for days, and will finaly bring it to bay, or run it down exhausted. The dhole is inferior in many respects to a trained domestic dog, but it is not difficult to tame the former, and teach it to hunt for the use of man.

The Indian dog differs from the Siberian dog in having smaller molar teeth. Its general build is not wolflike, but jackal-like, which is shown by the comparative shortness of the legs. The average length of the animal is somewhat less than forty inches, exclusive of the tail which, with the hair, may be said to measure fifteen inches. The usual color of this dog's upper part is red; the under parts are less red. Some specimens that are in museums are a grayish brown. As to speed and agility, the Indian dog is slower than the jackal and decidedly more clumsy than the fox.

The term "wild" dog is hardly satisfactory, because it gives the idea that the animal named represents the ancestral stock of some domestic dog. This is not the case with the "wild" dogs of India or Siberia.

Such Indian dogs as the pariah and the poligar—a large animal peculiar to Southern India—must be classed as "domestic" dogs, although their habits are far from "domestic," they are merely mongrels that have neither home nor owner, and they are often half starved.

The Fennec.—The fennec, the smallest of the canine tribe, is a pretty little fox-like animal of the Sahara. It is almost fifteen inches long, excluding its tail, which is nearly seven inches in length, and bushy like that of a fox. The general color of the animal is pale rufous cream, harmonizing with the desert sands of Africa. The breast, the inside of the ears, and the eyelids are white. The tail is tipped with black. The erect ears are of enormous size—each ear being as large as the creature's face, giving to the entire head a strange air of intense alertness.

The fennec digs in the sand with such remarkable speed that it not infrequently escapes pursuit by diving into the burrow, which is furnished with soft bedding, is remarkably clean, and in it the animal sleeps most of the day. At dusk it steals cautiously to some drinking-place, and later seeks its prey, which consists of mice, small birds, lizards and insects.

The name "fennec," it should be remembered, is sometimes extended to other African species which are closely related to the little creature.

It has been said that no pet animal can rival the female in grace and interest. Not above half the size of a cat, it has all the wiles and actions of a fox, and when alarmed by the sight of a stranger it will run under a chair or into a corner, and vociferously give forth its tiny bark. In captivity the fennec is usually fed on milk and morsels of meat, but it is apt to show a truly remarkable fondenss for dates. The wild animals are able to climb the date palms and get the fruit.

The fur of the fennec is valued by the natives, and is said to be the warmest of African skins.

The Raccoon Dog.—The raccoon dog is a small animal of Eastern China and Japan, which is said to resemble a miniature raccoon, especially about the head. It lives in burrows, gathers most of its food—fish and mice—along the banks of the rivers, and is often kept in captivity, especially by the Japanese, who eat its flesh, and value its fur, which is long and grizzled. This dog's muzzle is sharp; its ears are short; its tail is not extensive, but it is bushy.

The raccoon dog is a semi-nocturnal animal, living in summer in the mountains, and in the winter in the river valleys, where it is said to hibernate. If this hibernation really occurs, it is remarkable, for no other member of the family indulges in a winter sleep. The natives (chiefly in Japan) assert that this hibernation takes place in the burrow of a fox, or some other animal, but the creature is able to make a burrow of its own. It is certain that some raccoon-dogs do not hibernate, for they have been seen in winter crossing the ice of the frozen rivers by means of a succession of jumps.

These animals have few dog-like characteristics. Being almost omnivorous as to diet, they can easily be killed by poison. In summer they feed almost exclusively on mice, which they hunt in family parties. Fruit, however, sometimes forms a minor part of their diet. As raccoon dogs do not kill chickens or other domestic birds, they are not infrequently permitted to make their winter homes under houses.

The Otocyon (Lalande's Dog).—Lalande's dog is a small animal, smaller than the common fox, distinguished externally by its large ears, covered with fur, which are nearly equal to the head in length. In color this animal is of a uniform gray, except upon the limbs, wnich are darker, and the tail, which has long black hair, and is very bushy. It is a native of Southern Africa, and is more like the fennec than any other creature. As it lives in the open country, and is very shy, it is not well known, although many hunters have seen it at a distance. It is especially interesting as one of the most aberrant of the canidae, and on account of its unusual dentition. In

the lower jaw it invariably has four molar teeth—one more than any other member of the family. In the upper jaw it has three or four molars, whereas all other living canines possess only two. Some anatomists look upon this as an indication of marsupial ancestry.

The eyes of Lalande's dog are large; the limbs are longer than in the common fox, but the tail is proportionately shorter.

South African hunters call this creature the "long-eared Cape fox"; they say that it lives under small bushes, and that it is generally accompanied by its mate wherever it may be seen.

The Siberian "Wild" Dog.—The Siberian Wild Dog inhabits the forested regions of Northern Asia as far south as the Altai Mountains, and subsists almost entirely on deer, which it hunts in companies, pursuing them so constantly that it is said occasionally to destroy or drive away all the deer in certain districts. It also hunts the ibex (goat) in the high mountains. It appears that this semi-Arctic dog changes its summer coat of fox-red and long and woolly winter dress of yellowish-white, as do the Arctic foxes. In the Altai Mountains the Siberian dogs go in troops of from a dozen to twenty individuals, led by an old male. They usually select quite young deer for their prey.

The Siberian dogs are distinguished from all other species by the absence of the last molar tooth on each side of the lower jaw, so that the total number of teeth is forty instead of forty-two. The other distinguishing features of these animals are the short muzzle and the presence of long hairs between the pads of the feet. The Siberian dog is a handsome fellow, his splendid bushy tail, about half the length of his head and body, adding much to his appearance.

The Malay "Wild" Dog.—The Malay wild dog is a small species of dhole, which is found east of the Province of Bengal, throughout the Malay Peninsula, as well as in Java, Sumatra and perhaps Borneo. Whether the wild dog of Upper Burmah belongs to this species or to the Indian wild-dog species is doubtful, and this doubt gives support to the opinion of some naturalists that these Eastern forms are not specifically separated from the Indian form.

The Malay wild dog is smaller, and more slender in body and limbs than the Indian dhole. It has shorter and harsher hair of a deep red color. Its general habits appear to be those of the Indian dog.

The length of the combined head and body of a Malay dog is about thirty-four inches; its tail is about a foot long. Although this animal's general color is red, the under parts of some forms are grayish-white.

AIREDALE HINTS.

A few don'ts for Airedales: Don't expect much from an Airedale till he gets acquainted. They are a one-man dog and don't make up with strangers.

Don't shoot over him or near him till he gets used to the noise of the gun; easier to avoid gun shyness than to cure it.

Don't whip him for trifles. A sharp word will usually do, as they are very sensitive. But if he deliberately disobeys, switch him good, but be sure he knows what it is for. He will take his medicine and never whimper.

Don't tie a pup or a grown dog to a kennel; put up a wire (the longer the better). Slip a ring on it, fasten his chain to it, and watch him exercise.

Don't throw him in the water; let him go in alone. They take to it, and make the best retrievers from land or water.

Don't lend your Airedale to hunt. If you cannot go, keep him home. One breeder's experience was, they made indifferent hunters for strangers.

Don't let him fight; it is easier to keep them apart than it is to part them. Don't expect much from a pup. They need training like any dog, but will do more different stunts without training than any dog. Don't let him fight big game, if you can avoid it. They won't quit, and will die fighting. Get a pup, raise him right, treat him right, and he will be a pal; use him like a dog and he will be a dog. He knows more than you do; he understands your language,—you don't understand his.

Brookdale Hatchery Changes Hands.—At a meeting of the Santa Cruz supervisors with E. W. Hunt and W. H. Shebley of Sisson, representing the California Fish and Game Commission, final arrangements were completed for the transfer to the State of the Brookdale fish hatchery and the Swanton spawning station for the season of 1915.

Under the proposed arrangement to be approved by the State Board of Control, the Fish and Game Commission is to assume charge of operations at both places in that county. The hatchery and station will be operated at the expense of the Commission during 1915. Leases held by the county along Scotts creek are to be taken over by the State. The Commission is to turn over to the county 500,000 steelhead fry for planting. All other eggs taken in the county go to the State.

The Commission at the close of the season in Santa Cruz county may close down the stations as far as the taking of eggs and hatching of fry are concerned. If the county then desires to operate the Brookdale hatchery it will be done at county expense.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

GOSSIP FOR SPORTSMEN.

A Most Peculiar Man.—A leisurely man, with a well seasoned pipe in his mouth, stood looking in at a show window. He wore a slouch hat and a soft gray shirt, and his clothes looked as if he considered clothes less important than some other things. His eyes were bent gravely on a display of fishing tackle and an enticing layout of shotguns and other firearms.

He did not seem to know that a hundred people in a great hurry were passing every minute, that trolley cars were thundering up and down the street, that some buildings were feverishly going up and others feverishly coming down, that goods were being made and carried energetically to and fro, and sold and resold, and that myriads of people, without thinking why, were whirling about in a tremendous hurry, like dancing motes in the sunlight.

He just stood still and gazed and smoked, a most peculiar man.

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Quail Law Changes Proposed.—Every upland shooter who enjoys hunting quail and understands their habits is interested in the outcome of the proposed changes in the game law, as they may affect the quail season and bag. There is a general sentiment that both the open season, the daily and weekly bag limit should be curtailed. In some sections, where the birds have been pretty well shot out—in some of the southern counties, for instance—there is a sentiment in favor of shutting down "for a few years to give the bird a chance to propagate, especially since the advent of the automobile in the hunting field."

To shut down for a few years is the argument of game protectionists pure and simple and not founded upon accurate information or on lines of experience in the sport. A total shutdown for any extended period would be no doubt acceptable to coyotes, wild cats and other ground vermin, but would not bring about the desired benefit, except in a minor and unsatisfactory degree. This argument has been met with the suggestion that wild cat and coyote hunting should be inaugurated. Well, it is, to a certain extent, and good sport is derived from that pastime also. But as a general means of protecting quail the scheme is not feasible.

Among some sportsmen a two months' open season is advocated; that is not so bad. In this respect the months of December and January for an open shooting spell on valley quail have been mentioned in one of the game bills submitted. The month of January may be all right for following the time-honored tradition of holding the annual field trials, but as a definite selection for the sport of upland shooting that month and December are decidedly objectionable to local sportsmen and those of the bay counties and further up the coast. As an illustration of possible handicaps for these months it is only necessary to look up the weather reports for the past few weeks. How much quail shooting has been done? For almost the past two months weather and ground conditions have effectually put a quietus on quail hunting.

As for the bag, fifteen birds in a day is regarded as plenty, under present conditions. A morning shoot in quail country that will enable a bagging of fifteen birds is a good enough day's sport for anyone. Thirty birds a week is not too few, two day's shooting that will afford such a result is satisfactory to all good sportsmen. As a matter of fact, it is doubtful except under the most favorable conditions, if that number of birds has been the average of ten per cent of the hunters who have shot regularly this season.

The valley quail is rapidly becoming extinct throughout the more populated sections of this State, despite the birds' utmost endeavor. Quail if unmolested, around the ranch house or about the orchards and vineyards, will take good care of themselves and multiply. Where they are protected the birds become almost as tame as the barnyard fowls. Given half a chance the valley quail will hold its own in any locality, as is shown in some parts of the State not frequented by the hunters. Attempts made to transplant the birds from one district to another where they have been depleted, has in numerous instances been failures.

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Five Years Too Long.—It may suit Los Angeles auto hunting parties, who have shot out the southern deer country, but will not meet northern support.

The proposed bill to close the open season on deer for a period of five years has been regarded by the sportsmen of Central and Northern California as a freak measure. It has met with much criticism and condemnation. The Marin county sportsmen are outspoken in denouncing this bill, and will oppose its passage from every angle. In the season of 1913, in Marin county, 327 deer were killed, and last season in two months 307 bucks were bagged. The claim is made that more deer are in the hills of Marin county than there was at any time in the past thirty years. The hunters, in nine cases out of ten, are good sportsmen and observe the law. The hills are alive with does and fawns, for the reason that the does are protected. Numerous gun club and other preserves afford safe cover for all of the deer. There are other counties where the conditions are practically the same.

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A Federal Game Law Case.—The first effort ever made to convict anyone under the federal law regulating the killing of migratory wild game was made last week when J. Peters of Martinez was taken before United States Judge Dooling in San Francisco on a charge of having killed twelve wild geese.

The geese were taken along as evidence and Peters, who did not deny killing them, was taken before the judge with the birds. J. A. Craig, of Sacramento, appeared as the prosecuting witness in the case, but Judge Dooling refused to hear the case. The law had been declared unconstitutional in three States, his honor is reported to have stated, and he was not looking for trouble. It was appealed to the Supreme Court in Washington which might hand down a decision in 1916 or 1917, it did not matter which, and when that decision was rendered it would be time enough to begin prosecutions under the law in this State. So Peters was dismissed and returned to Martinez with his twelve geese.

Mina Spurgeon and G. M. Elliott, taken into custody Monday night at Sacramento by State and Federal Game Warden J. F. Inman for having seven wild geese in their possession, were brought to this city for a hearing in the Federal Court. It is alleged the men violated the United States statute making a closed season for wild geese from February 1 to October 15.

It is intimated that this case will be carried up to the highest tribunal as a test case, on constitutional grounds. Taken all in all, the Federal regulations do not, in many respects, seem to fit the California migratory wild fowl situation.

This is the first year in the history of goose shooting in this State when the season for that wild fowl closed January 31. The birds are most plentiful in Glenn, Colusa and Solano counties, as well as in some parts of the San Joaquin valley. The claim has been made in past years by ranchers that the geese do a great deal of damage, past experiences of the ranchmen having amply proven the assertion. Under the new federal regulations it is now illegal to shoot or hunt geese until next fall. Meanwhile the birds have a soft snap on growing crops until about the middle of April, when the northern migration takes place.

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More Bounties Needed.—The measures submitted for the purpose of creating game refuges and preventing indiscriminate hunting in the national forest reservations have generally the support of all fair-minded sportsmen.

"Protect the wild game for the sake of the game, but not for ornaments," is the slogan of experienced devotees of rifle and shotgun. Too much protection, both in cutting down open sections and creating too large or too many havens of "refuge," will not accomplish the desired purpose. The predatory animals will not conform to any game law passed. One bob cat destroys more quail in a month than a hunter will kill in six months. A mountain lion will exact ten-fold more toll among the deer than ten hunters.

At present there is only $20 bounty on the mountain lion—the fact that over 2000 of these big cats have been accounted for since the head tax was put on shows what venison on the hoof has to contend with. Skunks, weazels, coons, coyotes, bob cats, foxes and bluejays—with egg-eating snakes thrown in for good measure—are not covered at all, but they all get their wild game rakeoff just the same.

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Attacked By a Cougar.—Richard Allemand, a stockman of Southern Monterey county, was severely injured last week by a mountain lion when he tried to drive the animal away from a deer it had just killed and was devouring.

Allemand was riding with Ed Bourdieu, a Monterey county cattleman, in Stone canyon when they saw two mountain lions eating a four-pronged buck.

Allemand swung his lariat at the beasts to scare them, but instead of running away one of the lions leaped and caught Allemand by the shoulder. Bourdieu managed to dislodge the lion, and killed it with his revolver just as the infuriated beast was getting ready to spring back at Allemand. The other lion escaped before it could be shot.

Never in the history of Stone canyon have there been so many mountain lions as there are at present. Carcasses of deer and young stock are being found very frequently by the ranchers of this vicinity.

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Many Deer Drowned.—A press dispatch last week from Willows, Glenn county, stated: Hundreds of deer were drowned during the high water in the river bottom from Jacinto northward. The water rose so rapidly and covered the ground to such a depth that very few escaped. Scores of carcasses are being found in the drifts and up in the grapevines where they floated and lodged.

J. B. Graves of Glenn reports that the extermination of the deer was complete in that section. He and several others took a boat a few days ago and made a trip over the bottom. In one place they found some twenty drowned deer. The animals had climbed on a large brush heap and there met their death. A number of smaller groups were found.

In one place the men found four of the animals that had the appearance of having been dead but a very short time. Out of curiosity the men rolled them until the water was pretty well out of them when to the astonishment of the men the deer began to show signs of life.

Their feet were then tied together and they were placed in the boat and the party started across the river with their load. One of the deer, a large doe, succeeded in breaking loose. She no sooner had her feet than she began fighting a spike buck as he lay helpless in the bottom of the boat and killed him. She next charged the men and finally had to be

pitched overboard to keep her from upsetting the boat.

Two of the deer, a male and female, were landed on this side of the river and turned loose.

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A Duck's Long Journey.—A wild duck killed near Herndon on January 24 by George Knight has been identified as a bird that was treated for the mysterious "duck disease" at the mouth of Bear River, Utah, September 16, 1914, states the Fresno Republican. An aluminum tag was found attached to the duck's leg when it was killed. On one side the tag had the number 574 and on the other were the words, "Notify U. S. Agriculture, Washington, D. C."

S. L. N. Ellis, federal game commissioner, sent in the information and has received a letter saying that the bird was one of 270 sprig or pintail treated in September.

Ellis requests that persons who have found these metal tags on ducks to present the tags at the local office, as the government has requested more information on the birds examined.

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Big Catch of Striped Bass.—Striped bass fishing circles are in a flurry of excitement over the record catch the 7th inst., by Louis Gotthelf, of a monster bass weighing fifty-two pounds, and this whopper flanked by four other bass weighing respectively fifteen, thirteen, twelve and eight pounds—a day's basket that tops all local traditions.

The big catch was landed near the Santo Rosa drawbridge over Napa creek. The baits used were "bullheads," the common bay mudcat. Stormy weather and muddy water were the conditions at the time. This episode adds another chapter to the uncertain quantity element in striped bass angling. Ordinarily muddy water has been found poor fishing ground. The theory advanced is that the bass, which were known to be fairly numerous in the creek, were unable, by reason of the turgid state of the water, to follow up and capture catfish, splittails and other small fry, and accepted the bullhead-baited hooks lying on the bottom, first come, first served.

The San Antone striped bass colony spent a recent Sunday's outing in securing the moorings of their arks and putting the fishing skiffs in safe quarters. A heavy gale prevailed all day and created havoc with mooring posts and anchor chains. So fierce was the wind that the tide run out was an hour behind schedule, the water was backed up until the whole marsh was flooded a foot deep.

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Tarpon! Eh! What?—A report comes from the Panama canal zone that will cause saltwater fishermen, who fancy capturing the big ocean game fishes with rod and reel, to sit up and take notice.

William A. Street, a San Francisco youth, who is now located at Christobal, in a recent letter to W. J. Street, his father, requested the immediate dispatch of heavy saltwater tackle. He stated that "in the spillway waters below the Gatun dam there were hundreds of big tuna." Shortly after writing he could not curb his desire to have a go with the big fish and experimented with a stout hand-line. As soon as the baited hook was thrown into the water, there was a "strike" and a run. To his intense astonishment a fish, at least five feet long, leaped into the air about six feet, shook its hooked head like a terrier would a rat, splashed back into the water and started off again—snapping the line as if it were packthread.

That incident being worked out pro and con, the decision was that the big fish must be tarpon, appearance and action being similar to what the "king herring" does under the same conditions. So far as that goes, there is no record of the tarpon ever having been seen on the Pacific Coast, plentiful though it be in the Gulf and Florida waters. The fact, however, remains that big denizens of the sea and apparently game fighting fishes are in that part of the Panama canal waters. Meanwhile a number of local ocean big game fish fighters are awaiting further particulars—hoping that another spoke for the wheel of deep sea fishing sport has been turned.

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Exposition Fly-Casting Tournament.—President Frank J. Cooper of the San Francisco Fly-casting Club, Walter D. Mansfield, Stanley Forbes and other members composing the committee of arrangements, at a meeting held last week decided that the dates for the international fly-casting tournament in this city will be August 12, 13, 14 and 15. The tournament will be held under the auspices of the local club, and will be participated in by representatives of over forty fly-casting clubs, members of the National Association of American Anglers.

A big banquet Thursday, August 19, will be tendered the visitors. The following day the club will charter a special train and entertain a large party of jolly anglers at the club lodge on the Truckee river, when the Easterners can sample the trout the wind that the tide runout was an hour behind possibilities of the famed Sierra fishing water.

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Double Pay, "O. K."—In an opinion rendered by Attorney General U. S. Webb, it is found possible for a man to hold and draw pay for two positions, one a State and the other a county job.

The Sacramento division of the Fish and Game Commission had asked whether it was possible for one of the office deputies there to draw pay as a deputy and at the same time as a County Game Warden.

In ruling that it is permissible for the deputy to hold both positions, Webb says:

"So far as the Fish and Game Warden is concerned there would appear nothing incompatible with the performance of the duties of County Fish and Game Warden and State Deputy. So long as those services can be rendered to the citizens of the State and the county, there is nothing to prevent the officer from receiving the compensation of both offices."

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Fishing Tackle Famine—Coast anglers are wondering if there will be a shortage of tackle.

An odd story comes from Redditch, England, according to Chas. H. Kewell. Redditch is a leading tackle manufacturing city in the world, so it is reported. Since the war started in Europe, over 6,000 men from Redditch have joined the colors. All of these soldiers were employed in the manufacture of all kinds of fishing tackle, quite a lot of the output being used in the United States—rods, reels, hooks, etc. This means that orders sent to Redditch tackle manufacturers by American and Canadian jobbers will be slow in filling. The fly-tying industry will probably not be affected, this branch of the business being followed by women and girls.

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April 1 Is the Day.—It is announced by Fish and Game Commission officials that the steelhead trout season in Coast streams will open as usual this year on April 1. The State Legislature, it has been intimated, is likely to change the present law and declare May 1 as the opening day. The adjournment of the State lawmakers will probably be about April, and a law opening the trout season May 1 would not become effective for ninety days after adjournment.

AT THE TRAPS.

A Timely Hint. for 1915.—It costs a gun club nothing to have a tournament registered. This gives a club shoot importance, permanency in the official records and the dignity which comes from good auspices. For information relative to registered tournaments, write The Interstate Association, E. Reed Shaner, 219 Coltart Avenue, Pittsburg, Pa.

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G. A. Handicap Committee.—The committee which will allot handicaps to entrans in the coming Grand American Handicap is made up as follows:

O. P. Goode, chairman, Chicago, Illinois; Harrison Kennicott, Evanston, Illinois; C. D. Coburn, Mechanicsburg, Ohio; J. F. Wulf, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; J. K. Warren, Birmingham, Alabama.

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Golden Gate Shoot.—The outlook is promising for an extra large attendance at the Golden Gate Gun Club merchandise prize shoot. There will probably be a prize for every contestant.

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A New Trap.—The Bruner-Kimball trap is something entirely new in the trap line, and must be seen in operation and shot over before it can be fully appreciated by the shooter.

The trap was made especially for throwing the "Coast Blackbird," and is about one-fourth the size of any other automatic trap. It is compact and strong, all bearings being hardened to stand wear and tear, and it throws any standard target flatter, farther, and with more rotation with less tension on main spring, than any other trap ever produced. And with a specially designed carrier, it throws targets by the hundreds and thousands without any breakage.

The trap throws a left-handed target, and is operated by a lever back of the score line, connected to a rod leading to the trap, and connected by a cocking arm. A backward pull of the lever sets the trap, and a forward motion springs the trap. The trapper changes the angle of flights as he places the birds in the trap.

When the shooter calls "pull," your bird is as prompt as though you had pressed an electric button, and you invariably get a whole bird to shoot at. The trap is so easily manipulated that one can keep three birds constantly in the air, it is claimed.

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Coast Made Blue Rocks.—The new target is a duplicate of the old Peoria "Blackbird," manufactured by Fred Kimball over thirty years ago, and from which all other targets have been copied. The bird is a spun target, and the only spun target ever manufactured by any one but Mr. Kimball. This target showed its superiority over all pressed made targets thirty years ago, and it is showing superiority over all pressed made targets being manufactured today.

The makers assert that the "birds" are better breakers than any other target manufactured, and their being black enables the shooter in the hard light on the Coast to cover his bird from three to five yards faster than he can other targets.

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Official Averages for 1914.—Encouraged by the enthusiasm with which the trapshooting fraternity greeted the first publication of the complete and official trapshooting averages, issued by The Interstate Association a year ago and distributed broadcast for the purpose of providing gun club and tournament officials and those interested in the advancement of this great sport with a pamphlet containing a rating of every shooter in the country, The Interstate Association is repeating the good work this season. In the new booklet just issued there is contained the average of every amateur and professional who competed in a Registered Tournament in 1914. This is a real directory of trapshooting, a "Who's Who" in the realm of this great sport. Those who were fortunate enough to obtain copies of the publication a year ago are again clamoring to be included in the mailing list. This year the shooters are arranged more carefully in alphabetical order so that they can be found at a glance when officials are endeavoring to handicap or classify the shooters. In the hope that this second yearly edition of the trapshooting averages will be of as great value to the trapshooting fraternity as its predecessor, this contribution of The Interstate Association can now be obtained by mailing request to Secretary E. Reed Shaner, 219 Coltart Ave., Pittsburg, Pa.

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Garden City Traps.—The San Jose Blue Rock Club held a fine shoot last Sunday. O. N. Ford scored 96 out of a possible 100. C. H. Jones and Dr. A. M. Barker tied for second place, breaking 92 out of a possible 100. George A. Anderson, president of the club, finished with 91 to his credit. A good showing was made considering the fact that most of the members were out of practice. C. A. Haight of San Francisco was the guest for the day. C. H. Jones broke 39 straight, and Carl Schilling cracked 35; the two longest runs of the day.

Scores made at 100 birds were: O. N. Ford 96, Dr. Barker 92, C. H. Jones 92, G. H. Anderson 91, J. T. Downs 90, Carl Schilling 90, C. A. Haight 89, Ada Schilling 88, A. F. Lewis 87, H. H. Clark 80, A. E. Sandbo 60.

The season's regular opening shoot of the club will be held March 14, and will be a Fred Gilbert 20th anniversary shoot.

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Smelter Smoke.—Good shooting was done at the February shoot of the Anaconda Gun Club at the Nell grounds the 7th inst., states the Butte Daily Post. Event No. 1 was for practice only; No. 2, for the Twohy medal; No. 3, for the Keppler; No. 4, sweepstake, and No. 5, Confarr medal. Those attending from out of town points were: L. A. Cunningham, representative of the Winchester Arms Company of Salt Lake; C. L. Flannigan, representative of the Peters Cartridge Company of Great Falls; Lee Williams, H. Z. Bielenberg and A. L. Tippett of Deer Lodge, and C. H. Smith and W. A. Willoughby of Butte.

The scores were:

Events—	1	2	3	4	5
Cummings	24	25	24	22	23
Smith	21	23	23	24	20
Willoughby	20	19	20	17	..
Tippett	24	25	24	23	24
Williams	21	23	23	22	23
Flannigan	20	24	22	18	23
Nell	16	18	20	20	..
Gemmett	23	23	24	23	20
Drumgoole	20	17	12	19	..
Bielenberg	23	20	23	24	18
Hillard	20	21	20	21	17
Routledge	21	19	24	24	..
Silha	10	13	12	..	..
Plett	18	..	..	16	..
Hasley	20	23	25	21	..
Bryan	20	21	21	19	16
Mathewson	20	18	22	22	18
Madison	7	15	16	13	..
Scribner	..	19	22	22	16

TRADE NOTES.

Movies Shoot Trap Shooters.—Pathe Weekly No. 10 which has just been released, includes a section that will interest all gun bugs. It shows John Philip Sousa, the March King, and one of the best known amateur trapshooters in the country, shooting at targets hrown from a hand trap by Jack Fanning.

The firm was staged at Mr. Sousa's home at Port Washington, New York. One section of it shows ten or more trapshooters lined up, with Fanning in the middle operating the hand trap.

The hand trap is not a new contrivance, but Fanning's method of operating it is decidedly new. When a trap is held firmly against the breast and the trigger pulled, an easy target will be thrown about 40 or 50 yards.

Fanning has discovered that by swinging the loaded trap at arm's length and pulling the trigger near the end of the swing, he can add 25 to 40 yards to the travel of the target. This is of interest to all trapshooters because it makes possible a more difficult target than is thrown from the regulation stationary targets, and also pictures the possibilities of a portable trapshooting club requiring no club house, trap house or trap boy.

Trapshooters who have a chance to see this film should not lose the opportunity.

Peters Points.

High professional averages at New Rochelle, N. Y., January 27, was won by Mr. Neaf Apgar, 92 ex 100, and again at Freehold, N. J., January 28, 88 ex 100 from 20 yards. At the latter tournament, high general average and high amateur average were won by Mr. A. L. Ivins from 19 yards, score 92 ex 100. Messrs. Apgar and Ivins both shot the "P" brand of shells.

At the annual Mid-Winter Tournament at Pinehurst, N. C., January 19-23, high professional average on all 16-yard targets was won by Mr. Emory H. Storr, who scored 570 ex 600 with Peters "steel where steel belongs" shells—the kind that won the five premier honors of the year 1914, to-wit: The Grand American Handicap; the Amateur Championship, single targets; the Amateur Championship, double targets; the official high amateur average, and the official high professional average. There could not possibly be a more impressive demonstration of superior quality than this.

THE FARM

HEALING FLESH WOUNDS.

There are a great number of remedies that may be used on wire cuts that will stimulate healing and also keep the wound in good condition otherwise. As a rule the less washing and soaking that you can do the better it will be for the sore. As a wash you can use no better material than some of the coal tar preparations, of which creoline is an example. Every stockman should keep this material at hand for use on his stock. For a wash use an ounce of the drug to a quart of water and you will have a wash that will not irritate and still have a wash that will cleanse. A powder made as follows will answer most purposes as a dry dressing: Boracic acid, four ounces; zinc sulphate, one-half ounce; iodoform, one-fourth ounce. Mix these and place some of the powder in a salt or pepper shaker and dust it on the sore two or three times a day.

If a wire cut is on some part of the body where there is but little movement, it may be stitched and will sometimes heal without the stitches tearing out, but if the cut is where the muscles are used in walking or feeding, it is generally best to not try and close the wound as the stitches will most certainly tear out, helping to make the scar more unsightly than it would have been otherwise. As a rule a wire cut should not be tied up unless the weather is cool and extra care is given to it. It may be necessary to protect the wound against flies but this may be done by taking a mixture of fish oil and oil of tar and applying it with a feather to the hair surrounding the cut or iodoform may be dusted on the sore two or three times a day.—L. L. Lewis, Oklahoma Experiment Station.

HORSES ON THE FARM.

There is no profit in letting the colts lose their colt flesh. Keep the colts fat and you will have an easy-keeping hardy horse.

It is just as economical to feed a balanced ration when all grains and mill feeds are high priced, as it is when they are cheap.

Good and regular grooming keeps the skin active and promotes health. A well groomed horse resists the cold and changes better than a horse that is neglected.

Letting the horses roll somewhere outside before being stalled for the night is pretty good insurance against much currying, as they will roll in the stall if confined there without being allowed first to enjoy this exercise.

As draft foals are capable of making about half their growth during the first year, to develop pure-bred or high grade draft foals into horses that will bring the highest market prices at maturity, all reasonable means should be taken to make the foal grow as much as possible during this time.

Put a blanket on the driving horse to keep his coat short. A heavy coat of hair is a burden to a road horse. The heavy coat causes him to sweat easily, and when standing he will chill quickly. A surface chill is very dangerous.

In haying, harvesting and other hauling, some men are constantly overloading their team. It is a bad practice and cruel. Do not do it. Load lighter and go oftener. Do not brag on how much your team can haul. Do not try to see how much they can. It is better not to know how much it takes to stick them.

Don't whip the horse if he is afraid. Talk gently to him. Don't forget his salt. Don't put a rough dirty bit in his mouth, nor a frosty one. Don't hitch him in the cold unprotected by blankets, and hitch him so the wind will not be in his face. Notice how horses in a lot always turn tail to a cold wind. Give him enough to eat of good wholesome food, and all the good water he wants.—Rural World.

The report of the dairy bureau shows the value of dairy products of the state for the past year to have been $33,000,000. Imperial county is in the lead with the volume of dairy output.

Potato planting in the islands of San Joaquin county is now under full headway and especial care is being taken to prevent any of the fungous troubles which have been so bad in this section in the past two years. Large areas of both wheat and barley are also being sown in the same district. In fact, cereal acreage in this section promises to be the largest ever planted.

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ENTRANCE AND PAYMENTS—$2 to nominate mare on December 1, 1914, when name, color, description of mare and stallion bred to must be given; $5 March 1, 1915; $5 November 1, 1915; $10 on Yearlings May 1, 1916; $10 on Two-Year-Olds February 1, 1917; $10 on Three-year-olds February 1, 1918.

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Nominators must designate when making payments to start whether the horse entered is a Trotter or Pacer.

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SUBSTITUTIONS.

If a mare proves barren or slips or has a dead foal or twins; or if either the mare or foal dies before May 1, 1916, her nominator may sell or transfer his nomination or substitute another mare or foal, regardless of ownership; but there will be no return of a payment nor will any entry be liable for more than amount paid in or contracted for. In entries, the name, color and pedigree of mare must be given; also the name of the horse to which she was bred in 1914.

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ALARICH 2:11¼ (Breeder's mark 2:09), trotter, bay gelding with black points, 15.3, handsome, sound, fast and game; trialed at Santa Rosa last season in 2:06¾ and can do it again. Is a first class doer, can race twice a week and is eligible to the 2:13 class trots on mile tracks and to the 2:18 class on half-mile tracks; has shown well on the twice-arounds. **Price, $650.00.**

HELEN BELLE (2) 2:22½, breeder's record, bay filly, foaled 1912, good gaited, good headed, sound and extremely fast; was taken up absolutely green on Sept. 3 and has developed in a most satisfactory manner, taking her mark in December, since which time she has been an eighth in :16, half in 1:09. Sired by California's greatest sire of colt trotters, CARLOKIN 2:07½. First dam Carolyn C. by Axtell (3) 2:12 (a champion); second dam by Expedition, sire of Bon Voyage 2:08; third dam by Princeps (son of Woodford Mamb.); fourth dam by Hambletonian 10.

Carolyn C. had two minute speed. This great filly is entered and paid up in the Occident stake, the State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A., and Oregon Futurities for 1915. **The best buy in California at $1600.**

NELLIE Mc, black mare, trotter, eight years old, racing sound but is blemished; has always trained sound and I believe will continue to do so. Trialed at Sacramento in 2:10½ and has been a half lately in 1:03¾. Is a splendid mannered mare—anyone can drive her anywhere. She races first class, is fast, good headed, good gaited and dead game.

Sired by ZOLOCK 2:05¼, dam by Wilkes Moor, son of Guy Wilkes.

Stands about 15.3, is a round made extra good looking mare, weighs about 1140, has splendid legs and feet. She negotiates a half mile circle in A-1 style, should surely beat 2:10 this year. Does not pull a pound and can be placed anywhere. Eligible to any class. **Price $1000.00.**

CARLETA, bay filly, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ALEXANDRIA, tr. 2:20, by Bon Voyage 2:08; second dam by Oakland Baron 2:09¼; third dam by Allandorf, etc.

This is a good trotter and should be prominent in her stake engagements. Is very handsome, good headed, sound and comes from families noted for early speed. She has been up from pasture about eight weeks and trialed this week in 2:49 very easily, last eighth in :19¼.

She is entered and paid up to date in the following stakes: Panama-Pacific $3,000 for two-year-olds, Stanford, Occident, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. **Take her at one-third her value, $650.00.**

OMAR, gelding, trotter, trial 2:13¾, half in 1:05, eighths in :15; good headed, sound and can be depended upon. Is a beautifully gaited big horse and should prove useful to race over the twice arounds or for a matinee and road horse. He is fearless and is one of the most pleasant driving horses I have ever ridden behind. Stands slightly over 16 hands, weighs about 1200, is eight years old. Sired by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam Pineapple by Albion (son of General Benton). **A present at $350.00.**

CARLSCHEN (2) 2:23, breeder's record, brown gelding by CARLOKIN, dam BONNIE AILSIE 2:08½ (dam of Contention B. (3) 2:08¼) by Faustino, son of Sidney.

Trialed with a little work last year a half in 1:09, is extremely promising and looks to be as good a prospect as any of the colts racing last year in the two-year-old trots. Is engaged in several of the futurities including the P. C. T. H. B. A., Pleasanton and State Fair Futurities. Is a splendid type, beautifully gaited, good headed and has extreme speed. He does it right. **Price $800.00.**

HERMES, brown colt, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam MISS QUEALY (full sister to Manrico 2:07¼).

This is one of the most promising trotters I have ever handled. Is an especially nice gaited colt, can show a 2:20 gait, is good headed and on the whole the most promising youngster I know of for the western stakes. Is also a show horse. Is entered and paid up in the Occident, Stanford, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. His dam is an extremely fast trotter, having shown a two minute gait in her three-year-old form, and his second dam produced two to hold world's records—Manrico and Don Pronto.

This youngster is spoken of as the most impressive colt trotter at Los Angeles. **Price $1500.00.**

JOHNNY DUGAN, 3-yr.-old breeder's record 2:16, pacer, no straps, bay gelding four years old, straight and sound, trialed a half in 1:04 last year in his three-year-old form and could pace around 2:10 in June.

Sire, CARLOKIN 2:07½; dam Annabelle L. (full sister to Murray M. and Robert I. 2:08¾) by Hambletonian Wilkes; second dam Annabelle 2:27½ (dam of La Belle 2:16); third dam by Williamson's Belmont. **A great buy at $350.00.**

OLD FOLKS, bay gelding, trotter, five years old, trialed as a two-year-old in 2:31½, as a three-year-old in 2:18½, and in his four-year-old form last May in 2:11, last half in 1:04. Is sound, good gaited, good headed, and should 2:08 this year. Comes from a family of good race horses on both sides—by DEL CORONADO 2:09½; dam IRAN BELLE, by Iran Alto 2:12¼; second dam ANNABELLE, etc. He stands A-1 with the railbirds around Los Angeles and is ready to begin fast work, having been jogged all winter. **Price $1000.00.**

CARINA, bay filly, trotter, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ATHERINE (dam of Copa de Oro 1:59, Rags 2:09¾ and Nicola B. (2) 2:23¼, tr. 2:17, winner of the Oregon Futurity and second in the P. C. T. H. B. A. stakes for two-year-old trotters).

Carina is entered and paid up in the same stakes as Carleta. She is a grand looking, well developed filly, showed a :40 gait at eleven months old. Is good gaited and good headed, is in training and promises to make a high class trotter. Trialed this week in 2:46, last half in 1:12½. **Price $600.00.**

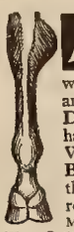
AND ONE FOR THE $20,000 P.-P. I. E. TROTS — RAGS 2:09¼, winner of the Breeder's and Oregon Futurities, the Stanford and the Occident stakes as a three-year-old, and the Governor's Stake, $5000, as a four-year-old — in all, beaten in but two out of eight starts, second in those two, and beaten only by 2:05 trotters. In my opinion as good a prospect for the big stakes as anyone has. He is a really great race horse, is racing sound, and has developed from an overgrown four-year-old into a sturdy, strong, exceptionally fine individual. Should be engaged in the Panama-Pacific $20,000 stakes, for which I already have entries. None better bred—by Del Coronado and out of the dam of Copa de Oro 1:59, etc. **Price $2000.**

In addition to the ones above mentioned I will offer to intending buyers NICOLA B. (2) 2:23¼, JIM CRAM, three-year-old pacer (brother to Chango 2:12¼), a YEARLING BROTHER TO ESPERANZA 2:09, engaged in all of the Stakes, the phenomenal two-year-old pacer SANDY McNABB (staked), MISS QUEALY (full sister to Manrico), FIVE YEARLINGS and SIX TWO-YEAR-OLDS, most of which are in training and ready to show.

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EXHIBITION MILE 2:05 1-4

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Sire of ESPERANZA (3) 2:09, only three-year-old to win every trotting stake for that age on the Pacific coast, and also the following colt performers:

Ethel D. (3).....2:11 Helen Belle (2)....2:22½
Johnny Dugan p (3)2:16 Nicola B. (2).....2:23½
John Warwick (2) 2:17 Santiago (3) 2:24¼
The Lark (3).....2:18½ May Marian p (3)..2:24¼
Carl (2) .....2:19¾ Carlrich p (2) 2:24½
Miss Carlokin p ....2:20 El Carbine (2).....2:27½
Carsto (2) .....2:22½ Eileen C. (3) 2:29
Carlschen (2) .....2:23 Carlos (2) 2:29¼
Fulton G. (2).....2:30

CARLOKIN is the best bred son fo McKinney 2:11¼, foremost among the progenitors of 2:10 speed, being out of that sterling producing matron Carlotta Wilkes (dam of Inferlotta 2:04¾, Mary Dillon 2:06¼, Guy Borden 2:07¼, Carlokin 2:07½, and 6 others in 2:30) by Charley Wilkes 3653; second dam Aspasia (dam of 4) by Alcantara 2:23, sire of the dams of 20 in 2:10; third dam Miss Buchanan (dam of 1) by Clark Chief 89, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10, etc. Carlokin was not only a fast and rugged campaigner, but, point for point, one of the most ideal individuals ever foaled. I chose him from among all the best horses of the country as a prospective great sire, and in 1913-1914 his get won more coast futurities than those of all other sires combined. What more could you ask of them?

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A. T. R. No. 47491

BEST MONEY WINNING PACER

By JOE PATCHEN 2:01¼, sire of Dan Patch 1:55¼ and 6 others in 2:10.

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Mahomet Watts 2:08¼

A. T. R. No. 51518.

AXWORTHY ELECTIONEER

By GEN. WATTS (3) 2:06¾, sire of three three-year-old trotters in 2:10.

Dam Alla P. 2:21¼ (dam of 3) by Palo Alto 2:08¾, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10; second dam Lula Wilkes (dam of 5), by George Wilkes 2:22, sire of the dams of 15 in 2:10.

Mahomet Watts is not only the fastest performer credited to Gen. Watts (3) 2:06¾ (whose breeding on qualities have been prime factors in the rise of the great house of the Axworthys) but he springs on the maternal side from the most firmly established families of champion producers—those of Electioneer and George Wilkes. He is a pleasing individual of fine finish and extreme speed, having a three-year-old record of 2:10 and being timed separately in a race last year in 2:05¼, whose services should be most welcome to California breeders.

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Vernon McKinney 2:01½

A. T. R. No. 53803.

FASTEST OF THE McKINNEYS

By GUY McKINNEY 37625, son of McKinney 2:11¼, dam by Guy Wilkes.

Dam Maud Vernon by Mount Vernon 2:15¼, sire of the dam of Leata J. 2:03, etc.; second dam Mag by Gen. McClellan, sire of the dam of Mack Mack 2:08, etc.

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Zomblack 2:26, tr. 3, 2:08¾

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By ZOMBRO 2:11, sire of twenty and the dams of three in 2:10.

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Lottie Ansel (2) 2:14¼
Laura Rogers 2:11¼
Adansel (3) 2:14½
Arista Ansel (2) 2:18¼, etc.
And the dams of
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2:11¼ A. T. R. 45033

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BINGEN 2:06 1-4

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Yearling Trial Quarter in :33

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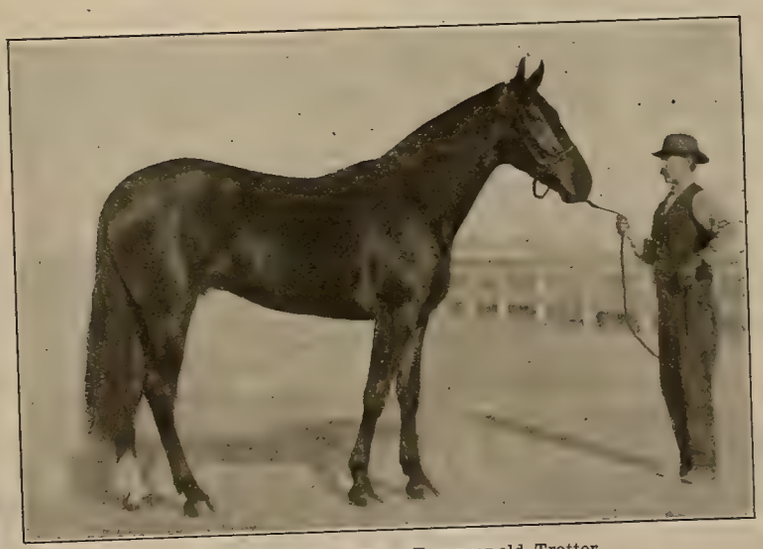
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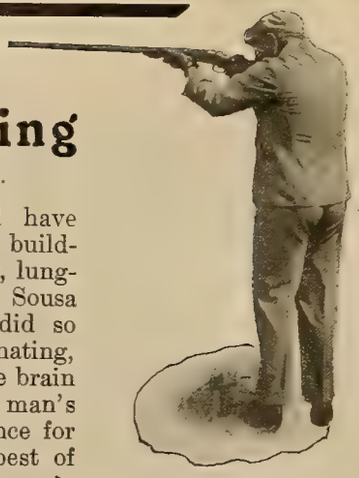
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AN APPEAL FOR AID.

There are few classes of people in the world more acutely aware of the uncertainties of human welfare than are trotting horsemen, and none more ready to extend a helping hand to the unfortunate, the good man temporarily down and out, or even to the scapegrace whom they know is down to stay, and down for his own fault. Few there are among them who have not known the need of help at some time or other, in small ways or large, through circumstances over which they had no control, and many a man of them who lives in comfort today can look back to the time when friendly help cleared the way for his present rank among his fellows. To these, and to every horseman, rich or poor, do we present for consideration at their hands the pitiable case of John McClintock, suffering miserably as this is written in a tent in the foothills of San Bernardino county, body and soul held together by the efforts of a gritty little woman whose strength is fast fading away—a slip of femininity who until recently never knew what hardship meant.

John McClintock, long editor of the Pacific Horse Review and much longer a devoted lover of the trotter and a tireless worker at all times in behalf of the trotting industry, is known among horsemen as a good man and true, and, withal, an independent one, and the news that he is in desperate straits comes as a sad surprise, though we all knew of his illness in a small way. Months ago he was forced from his desk by consumption and came with his wife to California. The odds were against them from the start, and though last fall Mr. McClintock was better, no means of earning a livelihood were open to one in his condition.

Seeking the open for health and a chance to get a hold upon fortune again, he filed upon a homestead last fall some thirty miles north of San Bernardino, and here alone he has made his stand, his wife working as a seamstress in Los Angeles when she could find such work to do in order that starvation might be staved off from herself and the man she loves. Bravely they bore the brunt of the unequal struggle until the day came when the end of all seemed in sight, and the barriers of the pride of a good man and a better woman were beaten down and an appeal was made to horseman friends for help—help to build a rough homestead shack and supply the actual necessities of life that illness denies them the right to earn.

Nor has the appeal fallen on deaf ears. The northwestern horseman to whom it was made known not only made a quick and generous response, but he set in motion the activities of wire and mail that have carried the cry for help to horsemen everywhere. Charity is a blessed thing, as so many of our rank know from charity received in some guise or another. If charity covers a multitude of sins it would most becomingly cloak a great many of us. If charity begins at home, then is help in this case true charity, for he is one of us—and after all, help at such time is more friendship than charity. There are those among us of whom John McClintock has said many a friendly word, to whom he has in times gone by extended a helping hand. Now when all save misfortune and a dauntless woman have deserted him he asks us for our aid. Shall it be said we failed to rally to his cry?

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WHY A RACING COMMISSION.

Sponsors of the racing commission bill, which has for its avowed intention the revival of the breeding and racing of thoroughbred horses in California on a clean basis, are having considerable trouble in convincing the public—and especially horsemen of both standardbred and thoroughbred persuasion—that the bill is possessed of any degree of merit or that its enactment would prove productive of the results set forth above. Immediately upon the introduction of the Marron bill we called attention to its deficiencies, and the measure introduced by Mr. Beban, known locally as "the Boots bill," has no more to commend it from our standpoint. The Thoroughbred Record recently made use of the Chronicle's comment on the bill, which elicited the following letter from Mr. Chas. T. Boots, addressed to and published by that authoritative organ of the American running turf:

"In the last issue of your most valuable paper there appeared an article on the attempted revivals of racing by legislation in which was a statement taken from the San Francisco Chronicle in reference to legislation before the California State Legislature. It was stated that evidently the framer of the bill did not understand racing conditions and that it did not seem to have any backing from the men most interested in the sport. The bill creating a state racing commission which has just been passed in Nevada was taken from this bill, which was drawn up in consultation with Messrs. A. B. Spreckels, E. P. McDaniel (Superior Judge of Yuba Co.), R. J. MacKenzie, Albert Joseph, Geo. Wingfield, H. T. Griffin, W. B. Jennings, J. C. Nealon, Chas. T. Boots and others who either are at the present time or have in the past been actively engaged in raising and racing thoroughbred horses.

"In the opinion of the writer of the article appearing in the San Francisco Chronicle the bill had no merit because it did not provide for gambling on the races. It is true that the bill to create a state racing commission does not aim to legalize gambling by pari-mutuel machines or any other means and was drawn up with that end in view. The bill is to promote by the best possible means horse racing as a sport, not as a business. The Kentucky State Racing Commission was not created to legalize gambling nor has it done so. It was created to regulate horse races in Kentucky and it certainly has accomplished its purpose.

"The framers of the present bill before the Senate of California do not intend to try to have pari-mutuel betting on races, their aim is to have a state racing commission of five members, who shall be appointed by the governor of the state and shall have the power subject to the provisions of this act to state, when, where, how and by whom running races may be conducted in California.

"They hope by this means to gradually revive the breeding and racing of thoroughbred horses in this state on a clean basis. They believe that if conducted under a commission composed of breeders of horses, who are to receive no pay for their services but are to give their time for the love of the thoroughbred horse and clean races, that short race meetings may be given successfully in different cities of the state. They do not expect that these meetings can be run at a profit but they do think that they can be conducted without financial loss and by that means in a few years the thoroughbred horse may come into his own and improve the class of all horses in California.

"They fully realize that the results must be very slow and it must be many years, if ever, before the horse interests come to what they were before they were ruined by gambling, race track greed, and mismanagement.

"If the Messrs. Spreckels, MacKenzie, Wingfield and a few others are willing to give their time and means in an endeavor to bring about this result they should certainly receive the support of every lover of the thoroughbred horse not alone in California but of the whole country. We who are endeavoring to bring about this reform have assured the legislators of California that we are trying to revive the thoroughbred horse industry of California and revive it without the gambling evils and we ask the support and confidence of all the people who want sport for sport's sake and not those who want sports of all kinds, including horse racing merely as a means of gambling."

Any and all persons who are familiar with local conditions will not be slow in seeing the shortcomings of the bill, or in finding instances in which its operation would be detrimental, taking for the basis of their investigation the flat statement that we made before and make again, that thoroughbred racing in California has been proven to depend upon betting for its support. After the "passing" of the old system, racing was given a thorough tryout with "jaw bone" and "hand to hand" betting at the track at Emeryville, and if racing under those conditions had paid it would not have been voluntarily abandoned.

A racing commission regulating betless racing must draw its revenue for expenses by a pro rata daily levy upon the gate receipts of such meetings as are held under its sanction—and meetings held without its sanction are outlawed and subject to a heavy fine which would greatly exceed the pro rata levy under license from the commission. If racing with hand to hand and jaw bone betting cannot draw a gate that will pay purses and expenses, how do the sponsors of the bill figure that betless racing "can be conducted without financial loss" and assume the additional burden of the commission's expense percentage? Moreover, why a commission to regulate something that does not exist or to encourage a "revival" of racing on a clean basis, when there is at present no legal obstacle to conducting betless racing?

Also consider this: When thoroughbred men threw up the sponge, a little band of trotting horse men and fair boards kept their end of the business alive by the hardest of labors, and by the willingness on the part of a few men to go ahead without profit for the sake of keeping racing from dying out entirely. At various places fairs are held with both trotting and running races—at other points racing days and matinees are given occasionally for local horses for small purses and little admission charged. Placed under a commission these meetings could not live—and they come as nearly to being "sport for sport's sake" as we can imagine. Count up the places you know of where racing is at present conducted, either independently or in conjunction with fairs, and see how many can stand a "tap" of fifty to a hundred dollars daily for no reason on earth than that they be "regulated" by a commission! How long would they last? You know the answer—a very few could stand it, perhaps, others would conduct one meeting at a loss and stop right there, still others would never try to give a meeting, and we cannot afford to lose what meetings we have.

Then take a glance at it from this angle:—If betting had been confined to the track enclosures all over the land, racing would probably still be in progress in most sections where it had a real hold. The cigar stand hand book, the back door "pool room" and the shady joint were responsible for more "down falls" from positions of trust and responsibility than were the open books and auctions at the track side. These pests are with us yet in the larger cities, with a following much more restricted than of yore. Given local racing, betless racing, and those who would bet at the trackside and thousands more will flock to the handbook, the pool room, the joint—and these will multiply immeasurably. Thus will "clean" racing revive the very worst feature of the old system.

Mr. Boots' letter in certain instances is misleading. He states that the Nevada bill was taken from his bill, but he neglects to state also that the companion bill providing for pari-mutuel wagering was the "keynote" to its enactment. He also states that the Kentucky Racing Commission "was not created to legalize gambling nor has it done so," and that "it was created to regulate horse races in Kentucky and it certainly has accomplished its purpose," but he neglects to state that the horse racing it regulates is horse racing with wagering attached, and that in both instances revenue is derived by the association from a percentage of the money wagered. Mr. Boots also implies that the gentlemen mentioned—among whom we have some most excellent friends—will be impeded in their efforts to establish betless racing in California unless the commission is not estab-

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Horsemen Visit Los Angeles

ROBERT A. SMITH, Correspondent.

Owners and drivers who have made history in the light harness horse world have migrated in flocks, recently, to Southern California, where they are sure to sidestep the sleet and snow and where they can indulge in and thoroughly enjoy their favorite pastime, even in the dead of winter. Of these who have recently visited, or are now visiting, Los Angeles and vicinity and who may be seen daily at Exposition Park, performing the self-imposed task of tuning the "workouts," renewing acquaintances and swapping reminiscences are Mr. John Sheppard, of Boston, Mass., who since his ownership of that sensational trotter Arab 2:15 years ago, has been the proud possessor of many very fast trotters, and has been one of the best and most prominent road and matinee drivers for over half a century. The germ has been so deeply seated and nurtured that Mr. Sheppard, although past his eightieth year, is as enthusiastic regarding the trotter as he was fifty years ago. He has forsaken the heat and cold of the east, the cares of his large mercantile business and under the environment of California's climatic and equine influences is getting younger every day.

Robt. E. Ellison of Lima, Ohio, another youngster, past seventy-five years of age, raced and marked the pacer Storm 2:08½ by Brown Hal, when pacers beating 2:10 weren't so common as they are at present—I think it was about 1892 or 1893, the year Robert J. 2:01¼ made his first appearance for the money. "Bob" will "wise up" on the horses here, previous to taking in the big meeting at San Francisco.

John W. Springer, who won the M. & M. in 1907 with Sonoma Girl 2:04¼ when she defeated the phenomenal Highball 2:03¾, subsequently disposing of her to Miss Lotta Crabtree of Boston for $26,000, has been here a few weeks, having come down from his hime in Boise, Idaho, and will of course keep his hand in by driving an occasional heat, so that he will not lose his "finesse," as he is ever on the qui vive for another Sonoma Girl.

John Bransford, who was such a satisfactory mayor to the citizens of Salt Lake City that they re-elected him to a second term, is one of the regular Los Angeles winter colony. John has been a power not only in Salt Lake's municipal affairs but in its horsedoings. His moral soundness, quickness of perception, complete up-to-the-minute knowledge of the rules and his ability to jump in and drive one as well as a professional make him much sought after by associations, to act in the capacity of judge.

Thos. Donnelly, the genial proprietor of the Empire, one of the largest hotels in Winnipeg, Canada, also owner of several big business blocks in that city, has been here several weeks. While "Tom's" home town is very much on the horse map, he makes his yearly winter visit to Los Angeles in order to keep his portly system filled with horse, as he needs and takes no let-up. His mid-winter visits here are no more regular than his attendance at the Detroit Grand Circuit meetings, not one of which he has missed in many years. The war may have caused the bottling up of Germany's fleet but it never could stop Donnelly's regular Los Angeles and Detroit visits. "Tom" owns several real fast ones, among them a mare by Toddington 2:20, that was second several years ago, a heat in 2:12¾, in the two-year-old futurity at Lexington, and for which he paid $5200 at the public vendue held in Chicago, the following winter. Reports are that she will head a summary in a big race and when she does the Canadian Exchequer will be greatly enhanced.

Jose. Osner and Thos. Johnston, charter members and since its inception active in the matinees of the Denver Driving and Riding Club, spent several weeks here and have returned to Denver. Mr. Osner is a matinee driver of the first rank and was very much interested in the colts working here.

Thos. Irvine of St. Paul, Minn., proprietor of the Cloverdell Stock Farm, Lake Elmo, Minn., has been here all winter and is so thoroughly carried away with California, as the ideal place to work colts and prepare horses for the races, that he is thinking seriously of having shipped from his farm his mare Edna Patch p. 2:08¼, by Dan Patch 1:55¼, and two colts by Peter the Great 2:07¼, for development at this place.

Jos. James, brother of Havis, is also a tri-weekly visitor. While Joe's zeal for the trotter is at present a trifle dormant, his love for a real high classer is attested by his frequent trips to Exposition Park from his home at the beach, on the workout day of any of the top notch possibilities.

John W. Considine, owner of the Woodland Stock Farm, the trotting nursery and home of many good horses, located at Woodland, Cal., spent a couple of days looking over the horses at the track, but as we had some dampness at that time he didn't have an opportunity to see any stepping.

R. J. MacKenzie, en route to Chicago, paid us a flying visit of two days, hardly long enough to tell us about May Mack 2:04½, Joe Patchen II 2:03¼, et al., at his Pleasanton establishment. His chief topic and one he couldn't be weaned away from was the performance of his Anvil—Martha Spy two year old trotter, when he startled the natives of the Livermore valley town by trotting a half in 1:09—"some" two-year-old for this time of the year.

John Caul, for many years a horse lover of Cleveland, Ohio, has also been one of the "storm dodgers." John drove his first races on the old Glenville track at Cleveland in 1870, the year it was built and thrown open to the public. Every morning John "watches" the trotters and beats "Joe" Thayer (sometimes) a game of billiards in the afternoon.

Don Baxter, who was the official secretary of the Lima, Ohio, association for several years, takes a day off occasionally from his large oil interests, to run out to the track to see Lon McDonald and Bill Durfee step along a little.

T. W. Stiles, one of the owners of the Clay-Cotton Stable, Inc., of New Haven, Conn., has become so charmed with California after a seven weeks' sojourn, that he is building a home in Altadena and will eventually become a resident of this vicinity. The Clay-Cotton stable consists of seven horses, all of which will be raced on the twice-trounds in Connecticut and "Yankeedom" the coming season.

A new face at the track today was Mr. Griswold of Greenfield, Iowa, who bred, raised and in 1913 raced Simmona, giving her a tab of 2:15¼ in a winning race in the three-minute trot on the half-mile track at Shenandoah, Iowa, selling her last March to the Dover, New Hampshire, reinsman, Walter Cox. Simmona is by Mr. Griswold's premier stallion Simmons Star, a son of Simmons. The mare is reported to have worked a mile in 2:05 for Cox during the 1914 training season, and a perusal of her half-mile track races indicates that she is a very high class race mare.

Mr. Fredericks, a follower of the Grand Circuit for many years, who left his business interests in Detroit for a two months stay here, times the trotters all morning and enjoys a polo game in the afternoon. The horse is his sport and he says that the automobile is simply a means of getting from one place to another.

Stockton Letter

Joe Jones moved to the track at Stockton about the middle of the month, the head of his stable being the noted race mare Leata J. 2:03. She was taken to the farm last November, her shoes taken off, and every day that the weather was good she was turned out into a paddock of eight or ten acres with a few colts, and she surely enjoyed it as a change from her hard campaign down the Grand Circuit in 1913 and her races in California in 1914. I don't think I ever saw her look better at this time of the year; she is high in flesh, her coat is slick as a mole's, and she is full of fire and as wild as a deer. Joe says his stable was too large last year and he didn't have a chance to give her the prep that she needed, but that his string will be smaller this season and that he will try and prep her for a mark of two minutes. Those free-for-all pacers had better look out for her this fall at the big meetings in San Francisco.

The next one in his stable is Hanover, trial 2:09¼, by Hannibal (son of Iran Alto 2:12¼, by Palo Alto 2:08¾), dam Princess Pussy by Dexter Prince. This mare is the dam of Hanover, trial 2:09¼, and Black Venus 2:09¾, and is a full sister to Edith 2:10. Hannibal's dam was by Alcantara 2:23, second dam by Nutwood 2:18¾, the two greatest brood mare sires of the world. Hanover has all the good qualities that make a great race horse—good gaited, good headed, lots of speed, and game. He worked a mile in 2:09¼ forty-nine days out of the paddock and Jones drove him a quarter last year in twenty-nine seconds. He was laid over with the rest of his horses till this year, and the best of experts here say that he is better than a 2:05 pacer.

Bill Jones, that trotted in 2:13, last half in 1:05, last quarter in :32 for Jones last summer but was unsteady, is big and fat and slick, and Joe thinks that if he can get him to settle down and stick to the trot, 2:08 won't stop him. He is by Derby Mac and out of a mare by a son of Whipple's Hambletonian.

A three-year-old by Dexter Derby 2:17¼ and out of a mare by Stam B. 2:11¼, second dam by Dexter Prince, is receiving his first lessons and takes to the pace like a duck to water. The one that the local trainers all have their eye on is a three-year-old filly by One Better, trial 2:14 as a two-year-old (son of Nearest McKinney 2:13¼ and Much Better 2:07¼ by Charles Derby 2:20). The dam of this lass is Lady Irene 2:14 by Diable 2:09¼, second dam Geraldine 2:16¾, dam also of Leata J. 2:03 and Little Dick 2:09¾; she is of the Leata J. order, heavy set, good gaited and very determined. Jones says he is going to wait on her as he did with Leata J., as he wants another good one to go down the Grand Circuit with and he is pinning his faith to her.

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The next stable is that of T. A. Jackson, who is dead in love with his four-year-old gelding Icicle by The Iceman 2:10, dam California by a son of Sabi Wilkes 2:18. This colt as a yearling could trot, pac singlefoot, gallop and run, so Jackson said he woul make a combination horse of him. As a two-yea old he was broken to saddle and under the directio of that noted saddle horse man, Ed Turner, he soo learned to go five gaits, picked up several high scho stunts and was exhibited at a number of our loc matinees. Then Jackson would hitch him to a sulk and work him a few miles on the pace, at which h did nicely and showed quite a lot of speed. Las summer at a home matinee he was entered in a tro ting race just to fill out, Jackson equipping him wit a pair of heavy toe weights to hold him on th diagonal gait. They beat him the first two heat but he won the third and fourth, trotted one mile i 2:30½ and only made three breaks during the day—a showing that was a great surprise to everybody He has a two-year-old by McAdrian, trial 2:15, ou of California that knows nothing but trot and wit but very little work can show a 2:40 gait. The las and least in size and years is a nine-month-old las out of the same mare but by Royal McKinney 2:19¼ sire of Leata J. 2:03, Blanch A., trial 2:17¼, Loya A., trial 2:11¾, etc. This filly's nams is Laura J. and she is surely a little trotting machine. Jackso says that all he wants is district fairs and he wil show the public what he can do.

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Next in line is the stable of Farmer Bunch, headed by Ed Lavin's great little trotter Lily of the West She is wintering nicely, her coat is slick as a button, her muscles are hard, her wind is good, and every time that Bunch jogs her he comes in with one of "those kind" of smiles. He told Lavin the other day that if he didn't beat the coast record with her this fall he would quit "talking horse," to which Ed replied: "Gee, Farmer, that would kill you, and I don't want to take any chances of having a dead driver up when she is finishing her miles in the stakes." However, neither one shows any inclination to make any change in their present arrangement, so that their mutual confidence in the filly seems pretty strongly established.

In the next stall is a chestnut gelding called Dredger Boy, the property of Fred Rice and Arthur Wardrobe of Clements, Cal. He is by Dexter Derby 2:17¼, dam Flossy by Guy McKinney, sire of Vernon McKinney 2:01½, etc., and goes right to make a fast horse. With but little work last fall he trotted a mile in 2:30, last quarter in :35, and the way he did it was the most convincing part of the performance. A four-year-old filly by Dexter Derby 2:17¼, dam by Lynwood 2:18¾, the property of Charley Osborne of Waterloo, is receiving her first lessons on the trot, and the Farmer is just breaking a three-year-old gelding by the same sire, owned by Patsy Dolan of Waterloo.

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Our old friend John Rowen says he feels his age when it comes to being head trainer and groom for three highly bred youngsters by Mechanic, trial 2:14 (son of McKinney 2:11¼), out of Modesto by Mendocino 2:19¼. Modesto has nine producing dams and John turned down $4750 for Mechanic when he was a four-year-old. Under Rowen's tutelage the foals from the mating of the two are developing in a most pleasing manner, and only financial matters keep him from sending all three to the best trainer on the coast.

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Our expert horse shoer Frank Groom, the owner of Dexter Derby 2:17¼, can be seen jogging this good trotter every morning before shop time and it gives him a great deal of pleasure to have the change, for he is a very busy man in the big shop from seven in the morning until six at night. Groom has four or five colts by his horse that look good, one of them, Clements Maid, apparently the making of a nice trotter if given a chance, as Jones had her a little while last year and she showed very well indeed.

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Mr. Williams has two at present, one by Ray O' Light 2:08¼, out of a Nutwood Wilkes dam—a three-year-old filly just getting her first lessons. The other one is owned by Judge Renden of Stockton and is a nice son of Mechanic. Mr. Williams is expecting three or four more the first of the month.

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Charley Phagan, Stockton's old time famous trainer, can be seen almost every day driving his guideless pacer Newport 2:15, now twenty-five years old. Charley won a race with him last year at one of our matinees, which pleased the public very much as the game old horse has long been a favorite. Phagan also has a grandson of McKinney out of a Dexter Prince mare, a trotter he says he is going to give plenty of time and make an aged trotter or none at all. Charley doesn't believe in colt training.

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H. B. Thornbury, the owner of Jack Barrymore, the champion saddle horse for which he paid five thousand dollars last fall, is having him prepared to show in all his classes at the big fair in San Francisco and says he don't see how they can beat him. Mr. Thornbury also has eight or ten highly bred Kentucky jacks that he expects to have at the fair and these long eared mortgage lifters drove away all the monotony of the rainy days with their melodious chorus night and morning, as they never fail to turn loose and apprise the neighborhood that feeding time has rolled around.

Yours as ever,

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THE CAMPAIGNS OF DON PRONTO 2:02¼.

One of the most popular pacers that has ever campigned on the coast is the black son of The Director neral and Silurian that Will Durfee has raced so ccessfully during the last four seasons, the Don's nerary for that time embracing a scope of country om Salem to Syracuse and many "way stations" d "side trips."

The youngster made his debut at Lexington in idsummer of 1910 as a three-year-old, when he was ven a time record of 2:24¾ "just for the looks it" and to give his dam a bit more of a represention in the list, Miss Quealy (2) 2:26¾ having eceded him by a few minutes in annexing a standd record. Later in the season he trialed below irteen, and came west to be fitted for his real cing by W. G. Durfee at Los Angeles. From the itset of his career as a wild and woolly westerner was well liked, and his popularity has waxed eater every campaign.

In his four-year-old form he made eleven starts, ginning his professional operations as a real race rse on Aug. 11 at Woodland, where he ranked third the summary to Teddy Bear and Nordwell and was cond in the fastest heat of the race, 2:06¾. At arysville in his first race he got tangled up in that emorable contest won by Maurice S., in which rank N., Hal McKinney and Margaret Derby were l heat winners, and was forced to finish behind the oney, but three days later he showed his quality y winning a much faster race, dropping the third eat to Teddy Bear, the time being 2:05½, 2:05½, :07 and 2:09. At Sacramento he won the 2:10 pace ter Teddy had annexed the first heat in 2:05, comg back with three heats in 2:05½, 2:07½, 2:08, but ropped back to fourth position in his next race at ortland, Francis J. and Jr. Dan Patch getting the g end of the purse. Back again in California he owed his liking for the twice-arounds by taking wo straights at Hanford in moderate time, repeating e dose the following week over the full sized oval t Fresno, stepping six heats from 2:07 to 2:09½. hen came the hike to Phoenix, where on Nov. 6 he efeated Hal McKinney and Geo. W. Newton in a ace in which all three won heats and in which four iles were paced in 2:07¼ or faster. Started again wo days later he got into company a bit too fast for im and finished fourth to Don Densmore, Branham aughman and Blanche in 2:03¾, 2:03¾, 2:03¾, at being his last start for the season, and his recrd of 2:05¼ standing as the fastest heat for a four-ear-old pacing stallion.

The following year the Don was a member of the table taken across the divide by Mr. Durfee, finishg behind the money in his first engagement at rand Rapids. At Kalamazoo he was third to Bram Baughman and C. the Limit, and at Detroit ourth, that being the first meeting with the "friend rom his home state" whom he was destined to tangle p with so frequently in future years—Jim Logan—. the Limit and Branham Baughman finishing sec- nd and third respectively and the time being 2:03¼, :03¼, 2:05. At Cleveland they froze him out, at ecatur he drew down the ante, and at Syracuse he egan to "come alive" again and won the 2:06 pace, VyDrad being the competitor and the fastest heat :03½. Back at Detroit he was second to Branham Baughman in the 2:05 pace in 2:04½, 2:04¼, and wo days later got a clean bill of health in the 2:06 ace in slow time. In the 2:05 and 2:06 pace at Columbus he was second, once to Branham Baughnan and once to Braden Direct, winning a heat in ach race, the average time for the eight heats being trifle faster than 2:04½. "Bill's big day," however, ame at Lexington on October 8, when he won one of he greatest races ever trotted in the futurity with Manrico and second money in the Tennessee with he Don, Braden-Direct winning with three heats in 2:02¾, 2:03¼, 2:03½. A week later, as a farewell for the season, the black horse started against time to beat 2:03¼ and stepped a nicely rated mile in :31¼, 1:00¾, 1:31½, 2:02¼, the performance stamping him as the world's champion five-year-old stallion.

For the last two seasons the scene of his operations has been confined to his "home country," where he has proved the best winner among the free-for-allers. In 1913 he was second to Jim Logan in 2:02¾, 2:04¼, at Woodland, and at Santa Rosa was again beaten by the same lad. At Sacramento he turned the tables on him with two heats in 2:02½, 2:02¾, which stands as the fastest two-heat race paced in California, and at Phoenix was second to Leata J., winning the first and fastest heat of the race in 2:02¾.

In 1914 he again met Jim Logan in a number of starts, Jim getting a "percentage" in performance, but Pronto getting the most money. At Santa Rosa Montgomery buckled into his old standby for a new coast record of 2:02¼, Pronto finishing second, and at Woodland the former pair took another clip at the same mark, the timers returning them the champs with a mark of 2:01¾, with Don Pronto second in the record heat, and third in the summary, topped by Jim and Leata J. At Sacramento he was again third to the same pair, the mare winning, and at Salem he evidenced no aversion to the mud and beat Haltamont and Ella Penrose in the slowest race in which he ever engaged. At Phoenix he went two sparkling races, administering defeat on each occasion to his ancient antagonist, Jim Logan, and including such good ones as Knight of Strathmore 2:03¾, Don Densmore 2:02¼ and Minnie Chimes 2:04¼ in the deal. His average time for the two races was barely slower than 2:05.

At eight years of age Don Pronto is as sound and fast as ever and has equaled his record with a heavyweight amateur behind him. He has won in excess of twelve thousand dollars and looks like he would pay a profit for some seasons to come. He is a free legged pacer and one of the best behaved ones in the land, all of which combines to get him the glad hand whenever he faces a California crowd. With others of the Durfee stable he has been offered for sale, and anyone who desires a perfect mannered pacer for the matinees and free-for-alls will go far without finding his equal.

HANFORD DOINGS.

Hanford, Feb. 20, 1915.

Editor Breeder and Sportsman:

Nothing very new or startling on the Kings County Fair Grounds race track. However, there are more horses quartered thereon now than there have been for many years at the present time of the year. The cowboys, Burrel and Lucky Jack, add considerable vim to the activities at the fair grounds, as besides being very agreeable young men they are splendid riders and they break any kind of a horse to ride and drive, single and double. They have the thoroughbred race horse Tourist and another son of The Desert with lesser fame; also two very prettily spotted horses supposed to track back to the Arabians, the mare being very beautiful and a perfectly trained saddle mare.

Moody Liggett is stepping some of his string up pretty lively, Mollie and Sidney Borden by Guy Borden being the farther advanced. The latter, owned by Mr. Senter of Hanford and leased to Liggett to race in the futurities this year, shows up very well for the short time he has been worked; if he does not start to growing pretty fast in size he will be a rival for Watch Charm honors and give Alberta 2:03¾ a close call. Mr. Friend of Porterville placed his speedy mare Soumise 2:10½ in Liggett's stable recently to have Moody search her out a bit and see if she has her usual whizz, with a view to entering her in classes to which she is eligible.

Russel Gray's string being written up twice recently there is nothing new to add, only that one of his favorite pupils, Lightning Bug 2:22, a brother to Toggles 2:08½, died this year, the property of Mr. E. Erlanger of Lemoore. The stallion was changed into a gelding and did not recover from the operation.

The death of Mr. Silvester places all of his horses on the market, a Zombro mare and her two foals by Mr. Kellog's promising young sire Nobage by Bon Voyage 2:08, also a black stallion by Zolock 2:05¼, and another, I think by Chas. Derby 2:20, being the headliners of his stable.

Claude Dalby looks after Mr. James McCord's heavy draft stallions and jacks and occasionally rides a bucking broncho, at which Claude is a whole lot better than a green hand.

The directors are already working to give Hanford a better county fair than ever and there is every reason to expect that success in abundant measure will crown their efforts.

PHILIP C. BYRNE.

Lou Taylor is back at Pleasanton after his vacation at his old home in New York, and is getting his stuff in shape for the summer campaign. He has recently received for training a six-year-old mare by Copa de Oro 2:01, dam by Geo. W. McKinney 2:14½, owned by Albert Curtis of San Jose. She is a big husky girl and worked in 2:23 over the two-timer at Pasadena last year for Frank Williams.

Joe Patchen II and His Mates

The quartet of stallions whose services are offered to the public this year at the establishment of R. J. MacKenzie at Pleasanton present a variety of blood lines from which the most exacting breeder should be able to make a selection that would meet his every requirement. The best families of both east and west are worthily represented through the strains that have been most productive of champions of all ages and both gaits.

At the head of the stable is the MacKenzie favorite, Joe Patchen II 2:03¼, whose winnings have never been approached by those of any other pacer in one season. Small introduction does this fellow need to American horsemen on either side of the big divide, and he is the same "big train" as of old—big and husky, pleasingly put up, and possessing a world of speed and gameness. His sire, Joe Patchen 2:01¼, has a representation of seven in the 2:10 list, including the champion Dan Patch 1:55¼, whose eighteen two-ten performers give him a commanding position among the progenitors of extreme speed. A daughter of Dan Patch produced last year's good pacer Carna G. 2:05¾, so there is no question as to the breeding on qualities of the family founded by the "Iron Horse," as the original Joe was affectionately known. Through his dam the inheritance of the Pleasanton Joe is superior—to many ways of thinking—to the maternal inheritance of the famous Dan, as his dam is Bessie Bonehill 2:05¾ (dam also of Empire Direct 2:09¼) by Empire Wilkes 2:29¼; second dam the great brood mare Arab Girl by Crittenden 433, sire of the dams of Bessie Bonehill 2:05¾, Will Leyburn 2:06, Governor Francis 2:08¼, and three others in 2:10; third dam by Bashaw Jr. 51.

Mahomet Watts 2:08¼ owns allegiance to two great championship families of the east and the west—those of Axworthy and Electioneer, sturdily reinforced by infusions from other lines of extreme prolificacy. He is a son of General Watts (3) 2:06¾, whose record long stood as the world's best for trotting stallions of the age, and whose trio of representatives in the 2:10 list all gained recognition in that select company as three-year-olds, the first to appear being Mahomet Watts 2:10, followed in 1914 by the California-trained fillies Miss Perfection 2:09¼ and Josephine Watts 2:09½, whose performances have been such as to demand a healthy respect for their sire here on the coast. Through his dam Mahomet Watts traces to sources most familiar to Californians and horsemen throughout the world and most highly respected in all quarters, the matron who gave him birth being a product of Palo Alto—Alla P. 2:21½ by Palo Alto 2:08¾, champion trotter, son of Electioneer, and sire also of the dam of High Admiral 2:07¾; second dam Lula Wilkes (dam of five including Advertiser 2:15¼) by George Wilkes 2:22; third dam Lula 2:15 by Norman 25, whose blood is so highly prized through his daughters, many of the greatest of present and recent equine stars carrying that cross—most notably the entire line of Bingens, and the lesser families of Norval and Norris, all productive of champions. Alla P. is also the dam of Doctor Allerton 2:23¼, Pussy Pumpkins 2:29¼, and grandam of Walter Kirk 2:15¼, Blackburn Watts 2:22¼ and Trixie Chimes 2:24¼, so that her blood is proven to possess the essential breeding on qualities. Mahomet Watts is a horse of fine finish and pleasing and symmetrical build, good gaited and fast, with plenty of courage and stamina. His record was taken in a winning race and he was timed separately in the M. & M. below 2:06. He is the only son of General Watts to whose services coast breeders have access, and the cross should prove a good one for almost any of our native mares, as the gait controlling sires represented in his pedigree have proven uniformly successful in all intermingling with the blood of other strains.

The McKinneys are represented in the Pleasanton Driving Park offerings through two exceptionally good grandsons of the founder of the family of that name, Vernon McKinney 2:01½ and Zomblack. Vernon McKinney, who is the fastest member of his tribe, is by Guy McKinney, son of the "old original" and Flossy Drais by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼, sire of the dams of nine in 2:10, including the three-year-old trotters Peter Thompson 2:07½ and Miss Stokes 2:08¾ and the good speed sire Guy Axworthy 2:08¾, sire of Lee Axworthy (3) 2:08, Axworth (3) 2:10, Guy Nella 2:07¼, Muda Guy 2:09, and others. Guy McKinney's second dam brings in another most potent cross, that to Onward 2:25¼ through a daughter productive of extreme speed, the dam of China Maid 2:05¼, while through his third dam he inherits the sturdy blood of Mambrino Patchen 58. Vernon McKinney gets additional infusion of blood that has produced extreme speed through Maud Vernon by Mount Vernon, sire also of the dam of the great race mare Leata J. 2:03, while his second dam is a daughter of Gen. McClellan, sire of the dam of the trotter Mack Mack 2:08. He is a horse of great power and good size and gives promise of becoming a most successful sire, as his youngsters are making an excellent showing and are changing hands readily at pretty fair prices.

As Zombro 2:11 is accepted generally as the best son of McKinney to date, so is Zomblack in his turn heralded as the best son of Zombro by those who know him—certain it is that few horses have been held in higher esteem by Mr. MacKenzie and his right hand men. Sons of Zombro are proving successful sires, and the highest-priced yearling of all recent sales was by a son of Zombro—the twenty-one hundred dollar Harvest Note, by San Francisco, out of Notelet by Moko. Zomblack's dam brings to him an inheritance of extreme potency, she being a double producing daughter of Demonio 2:11¼ (sire of the dam of Del Rey 2:03¾, etc.), and out of Mamie Comet (dam of 3) by Nutwood 2:18¾, whose blood is so highly valued through his daughters. Zomblack's speed has been emphatically evidenced by various fast performers, including a mile in 2:08¾ on the trot as a three-year-old, and there are few handsomer horses in the country He has the best of manners and temper and as the Zombro blood is more highly prized year by year breeders who patronize this youngster now are laying up a good profit for themselves in the future.

These stallions are quartered at Pleasanton in charge of Superintendent C. L. DeRyder, from whom particulars of all kinds may be obtained, and as they are in training and will make limited seasons interested persons will do well to make their investigations concerning them at once.

NOTES and NEWS

Monday, March first.

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Entries close for Stanford-Occident Stake No. 1 for three-year-olds to trot and pace in 1917.

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Also, a payment of $5 is due on nominations in Pacific Breeders Futurity No. 15 for foals of mares bred in 1914.

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Patronize the new Stanford-Occident, by all means, and do not neglect keeping up your entry in the Breeders futurity. A failure on your part to do either will be a matter for future regret.

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Peter Howard has recently sent to Millard Sanders' stable at Pleasanton a four-year-old trotting gelding by a son of Monterey. He is a handy youngster and worked in 2:22¼ last year for Millard before the season was over.

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Bert Webster has recently taken up Madam Mac 2:10¼ by Expressive Mac 2:25½, campaigned last year down the big line by Charley DeRyder, and will key her up for some racing later in the season. She trialed last year several seconds faster than her present mark, which itself is not a win race record, and she ought to be a pretty serviceable five-year-old.

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A. W. Longley while on a recent visit to Pleasanton Driving Park purchased of H. E. Armstrong the two-year-old gelding by Vernon McKinney 2:01½ out of that good speed producer Jessie M. (dam of Hal J. 2:09½, Della H. 2:10, etc.), by Del Norte 2:08, and turned him over to Bert Webster. Every foal out of this mare has had speed, and the cross to Vernon McKinney ought to be productive of something pretty good.

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Millard Sanders holds the season's record at Pleasanton to date with a mile in 2:17½, last quarter in :30, behind Lou Crellin's pacer O. U. C., by C. the Limit 2:03¼, dam Rosie Woodburn 2:16 by Easter Wilkes. This lad has the earmarks of a real pacer and Millard expects to drop him down to a mile in 2:04 by May first unless someone comes through with a bundle of coin and takes him away prior to that date.

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John W. Considine spent a portion of the week in the city, going from here up to the farm at Woodland to see how things look after the big rains. Oniska, the dam of San Francisco 2:07¾, now in foal to True Kinney 2:12¼, and Rosemint, sister to Aristo 2:08¼ and Nuristo 2:10¼ and dam of Arista Ansel (2) 2:18¼, the good trotting mare now in the stable of Keefer & Spencer at Pleasanton, have been consigned to the Fasig-Tipton Company's midwinter sale at Madison Square Garden next week.

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Someone lost $250 outright by not buying Carleta by Carlokin, dam Alexandria by Bon Voyage from W. G. Durfee prior to this week, as the little lady is improving so fast that the price has been raised that much over the previous figure. She trotted a half recently in 1:16, last eighth in :18, so Will has pretty good grounds for regarding her as a very high class two-year-old. Someone is going to suffer some future regrets over allowing some of these youngsters to get by them when they could have been bought worth the money.

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We are in receipt of a communication from Secretary John W. Pace of the North Pacific Fair Association correcting an announcement made in the original bulletins sent out from his office in which both the Oregon and Washington State Fairs were scheduled to commence on September 27. This recommendation of the committee on dates was not accepted and the Washington State Fair will commence on October 4, as stated in our report of the association's meeting at Vancouver.

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Mr. and Mrs. Lou Childs arrived at Pleasanton some days ago and have joined Frank and Marvin at the Walker home, to remain until the horses of the two stables move down to the P.-P. I. E. track later in the season. Mr. Childs was in Omaha recently endeavoring to lay plans for the construction of a new driving park in that city and its restoration to the map as a trotting point; but while the proposition met with much favor among the packingtown sportsmen it was deemed advisable to defer definite action until general conditions assume a more settled aspect.

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A car of horses from M. W. Savage's big Minnesota speed nursery, the International 1:55 Horse Farm, is expected to arrive at Pleasanton early in March to be fitted for their engagements at the P.-P. I. E. meetings, Mr. Savage having been one of the most liberal of eastern horsemen in according patronage to the various early closing stakes, which he doubtless intends supplementing by entries straight through the array of class races. The car will include about a dozen head, and as the Dan Patch family has the same large following of admirers in California as it has in other sections of the world, the arrival of the shipment is looked forward to with much interest.

Sweet Princess and Margaret M. have been bred to Jim Logan 2:01¾ at Woodland.

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And still the stallion announcements increase in number, Derbertha Bells and Bon McKinney being the additions this week. Is your horse represented?

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A newcomer to the stable of Will DeRyder at Pleasanton is the Demonio gelding Ben R., that worked last year at the pace in 2:11¼.

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The Arizona State Fair is scheduled for November sixth to thirteenth, which conflicts with the fall meeting of the P.-P. I. E. However, as racing is pretty well over everywhere else by that time there will probably be horses enough to go around.

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Al Schwartz moved this week from the McKinney Stables in this city to the Pleasanton Driving Park, taking with him a dozen head of the good prospects and tried campaigners that he has been jogging locally during the winter. Eddie Kirk will assist in tuning them up, and as Al has never had a better bunch of performers at both gaits he ought to give a good account of himself this season.

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The first consignment from Curles Neck Farm goes through the sale ring at the Garden next week, young ones by The Harvester from such mares at Lou Dillon 1:58½, Bertha Mac 2:08, Adioo Dillon, Memories, Ariello, Nelly Worthy, and other aristocratic matrons. The first of the get of Manrico 2:07¼ also appear on the hunt for new owners, and the resultant prices are arousing quite a bit of interest even this far away.

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Seven colts owned by John Cartwright of Dayton got out of their corral Saturday night and upon the S. P. right of way. They wandered along until they reached Durham, where the little band of experimenting youngsters came to grief when the northbound Oregon Express went through Sunday morning. One was badly crippled and three killed outright, including a highly prized son of Dan Logan 2:07¼ out of a well bred mare.

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Conversation this week with several persons who are in position to speak with authority on the subject convinces us more thoroughly than ever that the present status of the district fair bill is O. K. with the powers that be, and it is up to horsemen to see that it remains so. The passing of the bill as it stands means enough state aid to make a vast difference in the future outlook. Any increase in the bill means its death warrant. Line up your senator and assemblyman before March 8 and let us have prompt and favorable action upon it.

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Mr. J. J. Campbell, now a resident of Pasadena, was a visitor in Pleasanton last week, coming up to give the "once over" to his youngsters in the stable of Sutherland & Chadbourne—Bon Cres (3) 2:10¼ by Bon Voyage, Mabel Bond, three-year-old filly, and Great Bond, two-year-old colt, the last two by The Bondsman and all three out of Mr. Campbell's favorite matron, Kate Kopje by Cresceus 2:02¼. All three are most promising and Mr. Campbell is more thoroughly convinced than ever of the future that awaits Kate Kopje as a producer. She is now at Woodland Stock Farm to be bred to Robert Bingen 2:11¼.

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Edward Peterson of Omaha, who has been spending several days in San Francisco and Pleasanton watching his candidates for the season's big stakes and major classes take their winter work, left Sunday for home by way of Los Angeles, where he stopped long enough to have a thorough inspection of the entries of some of his competitors for the P.-P. I. E. classics of both ways of going. The bear stories that are going the rounds concerning Dr. Burns, Jr., White Sox, Ilo Tolus, Hallmark, and the Durfee trotters are enough to make anybody sit up and take notice, but so long as Hal Boy and Loe Blossom continue doing as nicely as they are at present, Mr. Peterson is not losing any sleep.

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A letter recently received from the one and only Thomas W. Murphy conveys the welcome tidings that on April first he expects to make more entries for the fall meeting of the P.-P. I. E. than any other three stables combined, and that he will be on deck for that event with some thirty to forty campaigners of the genuine Murphy kind, including, of course, the various champions which are members of his band—Directum I 1:58, Peter Volo 2:03½, Frank Bogash Jr. 1:59¼, Anna Bradford 2:00¾, and others. The example set by the wizard of Poughkeepsie will mean that many other of the most prominent stables will make the trek across the plains and the big divide, and the close at Lexington will no doubt see a solid train of horse cars, well filled, headed for the Golden Gate. Only the fact that a stable of 85 horses is demanding all his time during the training season deters Tommy from making the run out for the June meeting—similar conditions operating likewise in a few other notable cases. However, the absence of some of the larger stables at the June meeting will greatly encourage attendance and participation of very many others who might feel a bit doubtful in regard to tackling the "big boys" but who have the horses to put up just as good racing as do the stars. The June meeting will be productive of the greatest racing ever seen on the coast, and surpassed at but few points in the world, while the fall meeting will undoubtedly be the banner fortnight of trotting horse annals.

Stockholders of the Riverside County Fair Association have elected directors for the coming year. Those chosen were, J. E. McGregor, M. M. Milice, D. Ormand, J. W. Chase, F. W. Stadler, W. G. Suits, A. J. Stadler, M. I. Wheeler, F. P. Younglove, H. P. Zimmerman, Glenn A. Calkins, F. A. Gardner, Harry L. Graham, J. F. Backstrand, B. S. Bartee, J. C. Cooper, W. D. Clements, J. M. Davison, W. H. Fertig, H. A. Hammond, O. E. Holland, Riverside; John L. Bishop, Highgrove; F. L. Hall, Perris; E. J. Genereux, Corona; W. L. Paul, Coachella; C. L. Suits, Blythe; George W. Thomas, Arlington; W. D. Clements, Glenavon. Directors are still to be elected for Elsinore, Hemet, San Jacinto, Beaumont and Banning.—Hemet News.

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Mrs. V. L. Shuler was expected to arrive at Pleasanton this week to join her husband and son and "set up housekeeping" while the training season lasts. The earlier arrivals of the family are more than pleased with the situation, and the boys at Pleasanton Driving Park are already offering "future book prices" on the chance that the family will call California home from now on. One trip around "the loop," with green grass, flowers, almond blossoms and sprouting grain on every hand and snow topped mountains in the distance started the "California spark" to glowing in the Shuler breast, and one round of the MacKenzie track only a few hours after a genuine sod soaker settled matters. Anyone "dubious" as to coming out to California has only to apply to V. L. Shuler, Lon McDonald or Al Whitney to have all doubts and fears cleared away.

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The attention of horsemen is drawn to the conditions of the recently announced Stanford-Occident Stake No. 1, entries to which close Monday, March 1, with Secretary Chas. W. Paine at Sacramento. The conditions are a departure in various respects from those governing the State Fair classics as previously given, the sponsors having made an effort to present a stake for three-year-olds pleasing to all parties. The payments are spread over a period of several months, with a liability to nominators for only the amount paid in, the sum total of the pre-starting payments being $50. A starting payment, which is not due until ten days prior to the state fair of 1917, of $100 on trotters and $50 on pacers, brings the entire payments up to merely the customary five per cent, and the money in each division is nicely distributed. Each heat carries thirty per cent of its portion of the stake, divided as usual among four horses, the remaining ten per cent and the Stanford-Occident Cup—one each for trotters and pacers—going to the ranking horse in the summary. Three heats will end the race except in case of three heat winners developing, whereupon they only will contest a fourth heat. Some good racing should result, and we bespeak a generous patronage for the new event which will be raced by three-year-olds in 1917, $3000 for trotters and $2000 for pacers.

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When Edward Peterson started for eastern points Saturday he left his Ford car at Pleasanton for the use of the Childs family and both Frank and Marvin—especially Frank—are developing rapidly as benzine buggy teamsters and are considering issuing a challenge to Ed Geers to race at the P.-P. I. E. for money, marbles or chalk. Frank has one serious handicap to his prospects for developing into a rival of Barney Oldfield, Eddie Pullen, Ralph de Palma, Earl Cooper, et al., having an unfortunate aversion to the scent of gasoline that is prone to laden the atmosphere in the vicinity of a truly successful speed demon. So intense is his dislike for the delicate aroma of the more popular of John D.'s perfumed products that last Saturday evening he got up a scrape "turning her over" with the cranks in endless repetition endeavoring to induce her to run without any gas. Somebody finally broke it to him gently that a benzine horse works only when well supplied with liquid refreshments and he reluctantly filled the tank, whereupon the engine began the old familiar purr at the first cranking. With a little more weight in front so that she won't be so inclined to climb trees and telephone poles Frank thinks that Fordy will make a very useful critter on the road, though perhaps she may never develop enough class to stake down the big line.

AN IDAHO STABLE.

Some promising material with one fast record performer is in the stable of Warren Dennis at Rexburg, Idaho. At the head of the list is the pacing mare, Ovieda 2:05, by Bob Fitzsimmons 2:07¾. This mare is eight years old and has the unique reputation of having started in thirty-one races, of which she won twenty-eight, getting second money twice and third once. She took her present record at North Yakima, Wash., on the first mile track she ever raced over. Her winrace record of 2:07½ was taken at Salem, Ore., while she holds a winrace on a half-mile track of 2:09½. Mr. Dennis has Bobinell, a four-year-old, and Bob Fitzsimmons, Jr., a three-year-old, sister and brother of Ovieda. For Hamilton brothers, of Sugar City, Idaho, who own Ovieda, Mr. Dennis is working a three-year-old Hal B. colt that shows some class. Josie Knight, by Twelfth Night, is a bright prospect and has shown some fast miles. A three-year-old by Beirne Holt 2:11¼ is a good gaited trotter and will speak for himself later.

Mr. Dennis also has other good ones in his charge and will race his stable on either the Western Canada or Michigan Short Ship Circuit.—Western Horseman.

FIRST WORLD'S RECORD FOR 1915.

California grabbed off another world's record all for her own last Saturday when the Panama-Pacific International Exposition opened to the world—about a quarter of a million of the planet's population being on hand to join in celebrating the great event. All previous "opening days" of great expositions fall far short of that of our own show in point of attendance by many thousands, and at this writing, with the big infant only six days old, the average daily attendance is in excess of one hundred thousand. This, too, in the face of a week of unsettled weather conditions with showers very frequent. The crowds have taken in every portion of the grounds, from the Van Ness avenue entrance to the far end of the race track, and the most phlegmatic visitors come away imbued with an unexpected enthusiasm over the fair and its future. Only by repeated visits can the true magnitude of the undertaking be realized, and descriptions of the fair as a whole are mere waste of words and time. It is the greatest ever known and that is all there is to it.

While no shows in the livestock department are scheduled until late summer and fall, view herds of almost all classes are already in evidence, and within a few weeks the animal aristocracy of all nations will be gathered within its boundaries. Big horses and polo ponies occupy a goodly bit of space at present, and with the auto races out of the way the trotters and pacers will begin showing up in their box stalls, and the horse will play an important part in the proceedings on St. Patrick's Day.

Entry blanks for the purse races closing April first are going to all points in the country where horses are in training, and the programs of both meetings will be advertised throughout the United States and Canada during the month of March, so that no horseman will be ignorant of what the exposition offers for his express benefit. As the spring season draws on interest is growing steadily, more and more horsemen are making inquiries concerning the meetings and arranging to come out, so that the prospects for success were never brighter. Get in the game and lay your plans to take in the biggest of all big expositions, and to get your share of the many thousands of dollars offered for harness horses.

TWO UP-TO-THE-MINUTE IDEAS.

Seattle, Feb. 16, 1915.

Editor Breeder and Sportsman:

Inasmuch as the western winter season is about over, and the rainy season is passing by, and the flowers that bloom in the spring, tra la, are coming on, and also a great many isms and hobbies are making their spring debut, it occurs to me that it is about time that I sprung something.

I have been reading everything in the horse journals pertaining to the judges' stand and the timers' stand and I want to express myself as being in favor of the one judge system and that this one judge be an official of the two recognized trotting associations, and also that he be a man who is not under obligation to any driver, owner or association. In other words, that every horse and driver be the same to him when they come down in front. This one judge, with a competent starter and a competent clerk, should be a success.

I also have an idea which I think is all my own; that is, that the timers' stand should come in for some spring renovation. I believe that a large electric clock should be placed over the timers' stand and connected by an electric wire to the judges' stand, with an electric button or foot pedal which the starter presses the moment he says go. The pressing of the foot pedal would start the clock on the front of the timers' stand. Also that an electric button be placed in the timers' stand so that the presiding timekeeper could press the button when the first horse's head comes to the wire, thus stopping the clock and showing the exact time within fractions of each second and doing away with all controversy as to the correct timing of horses. This device will also be pleasing to the audience, as they will also be interested in watching the clock. This system would do away with the so-called cheating and holding over of horses and giving of records slower than that made by the horses in any particular race.

I have no ax to grind, only I think the time has come when playing favorites to any man or men in the horse races is about at an end. I believe all men should look alike when they go into a sporting contest, so far as the management is concerned.

Yours very truly,

C. A. HARRISON.

In order that the live stock placed on exhibition at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition may be thoroughly safeguarded and the responsibility for its condition placed in the most competent hands, an official veterinarian of the United States Army has been made the Official Veterinarian of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition. President C. C. Moore of the exposition requested the assignment of Dr. Coleman J. Nockols as official veterinarian, and he has been detailed by his commanding officer to act in this capacity.

Secretary Charley Paine of the State Agricultural Society and Senator Ben F. Rush of Suisun were members of the opening day crowd at the exposition and walked some steen miles along with the rest of the bunch, getting home dead tired but fully convinced of the success of the big show.

NO NEED FOR ALARM OVER QUARANTINE AT P.-P. I. E.

Numerous telegrams and inquiries reach the office of the Department of Live Stock, of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, asking for information with regard to the possibilities of importing cattle, sheep and swine from states that have been infected with foot-and-mouth disease.

There are sixteen or seventeen states that have been visited with this disease; the rest of the Unitd States has not been troubled.

The Department of Live Stock, of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, will not ask Federal or State quarantine authorities to do anything that will jeopardize the health of the live stock in any part of the United States.

The cattle competitions in live stock at the Exposition do not begin until October 18th. Sheep and swine begin November 3rd.

Long before these dates the foot-and-mouth disease will be effectually stamped out.

Dr. Chas. Keane, California State Veterinarian, has made the following rule: "No cattle, sheep, or other ruminants, or swine, will be permitted to be shipped for exhibition purposes at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition from any area in which foot-and-mouth disease has been found, or from areas contiguous thereto, until a reasonable length of time has elapsed since such territory has been declared clean by the United States Department of Agriculture and State Live Stock Sanitary officials."

Any negative action by individuals, associations, clubs or states at this time would be premature. There will be a truly great live stock show at San Francisco and the wise breeder will get ready for it.

WESTERN FAIR MANAGERS MEET.

The Western Association of Fair Managers held their annual meeting on Jan. 30 at Kansas City, Mo., and elected the following officers for the coming year: A. L. Sponsler, Hutchinson, Kan., president; I. H. Mahan, Oklohoma City, vice-president; John Stinson, St. Louis, Mo., secretary.

The membership of this association consists of the American Royal Fair, Kansas City, Mo.; Kansas State Fair, at Hutchinson; Missouri State Fair, Sedalia; New State Fair, Muskogee; Oklahoma State Fair, Oklahoma; Kansas State Fair, Topeka; Texas State Fair, Dallas; Louisiana State Fair, Shreveport.

The Nebraska State Fair Association and the St. Louis Exposition Company, now organizing, have both been invited to join this association and without a doubt they will do so. At any rate, Nebraska had been given dates along with the other members as follows:

Nebraska State Fair, Lincoln, Sept. 6-11.
Kansas State Fair, Topeka, Sept. 13-17.
Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson, Sept. 18-25.
Oklahoma State Fair, Oklahoma City, Sept. 25-Oct. 2.
New State Fair, Muskogee, Oct. 4-9.
American Royal Fair, Kansas City, Oct. 4-9.
Texas State Fair, Dallas, Oct. 16-31.
Louisiana State Fair, Shreveport, Nov. 3-10.

—Horseman.

LIVE STOCK SALES COMMISSIONER.

One of the objects held in view by all exhibitors in the department of livestock at the P.-P. I. E. is the prospective sale of surplus stock. In order to facilitate this, and to give skillful aid, where it will be highly appreciated, the office of Sales Commissioner has been created for that department. Mr. William H. Carruthers, a long-time resident of the Pacific coast and for many years actively engaged in the breeding and sale of pure bred live stock, has been appointed to this office. Mr. Carruthers has a very wide acquaintance among pure bred live stock breeders and ranchmen throughout the entire Pacific coast region, and has a thorough knowledge which covers the requirements of his duties.

A uniform commission of 5% will be charged on all sales, and this small commission, together with the wide experience and efficient service offered by the Sales Commissioner, will doubtless be highly appreciated by the breeding fraternity. Those who desire to list their stock for sale during the Exposition should send their names to Chief D. O. Lively of the Department of Live Stock, Panama-Pacific International Exposition, San Francisco, Cal.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Q.—What is the breeding of Alto McKinney?

A.—Alto McKinney 2:17¾, b. h. foaled 1903 by McKinney 2:11¼; dam Irantilla by Iran Alto 2:12¼; second dam Flirtilla by Peel. Bred by Vendome Stock Farm, San Jose, Cal.

Q.—If a horse took a record better than 2:10 in a race as far back as 1910 but got shut out and won no money in said race, is he eligible to start as if absolutely green, rating without any record under the new rule, never having been raced since?

A.—Yes, if he has no other record in a winning race.

Q.—Is Joe Wheeler's record 2:07¾?

A.—You missed it a quarter of a second—2:07½.

Q.—How was Rockwood bred?

A.—Rockwood 1467, by Fleetwood 894; dam (Montezuma's dam) by Abdallah 15; second dam by Grey Messenger, son of Dove; third dam by Pirate Whip; fourth by Hancock's Hambletonian.

WHY A RACING COMMISSION?

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lished. Such can hardly be a fair implication in seeking support for his measure, as there is absolutely no law in California prohibiting the holding of thoroughbred racing without betting and there is no conflict of dates as there is no such racing save in minor, isolated instances. All California is their oyster and there is an "r" in every month of the twelve if they wish to indulge in betless meetings—and they needn't pay a gate percentage to a commission, either.

Do not get the idea that we are opposed to a revival of racing on a proper basis—far from it. Our friends among thoroughbred men are numerous; we always have accorded the thoroughbred more space than any other American turf journal with the exception of the Thoroughbred Record, and a revival of that industry means money in our pockets. But—when thoroughbred racing is revived we wish it properly done, on a basis that will care for all contingencies, that will really re-establish it so that it will remain with us as a great industry and not merely as a detriment to the commonwealth, and we insist that it be done in a way that will work no hardship on those who have kept the racing game, both under saddle and to harness, from dying out entirely during the dark days we have gone through and must yet endure.

To such a bill we will extend our most ardent support.

PLEASANTON FAIR DISTRICT No. 3.

The stockholders of the Alameda County Fair Association, which has been changed to "Pleasanton Fair District No. 3," comprising the counties of Alameda, Contra Costa, Santa Clara, San Mateo, San Benito, Santa Cruz and Monterey, held their annual meeting at the Fair Grounds on the 13th of February, and elected the following officers and directors:

E. E. Hall, president; Henry Lachman, vice-president; H. P. Mohr, treasurer; W. J. Dakin, secretary. Directors, H. P. Mohr, H. Lachman, W. J. Dakin, L. J. Gerloff, C. L. Crellin, C. H. Schween, T. H. Silver, N. S. Boone, H. Meek, E. K. Strobridge, E. H. Stevenson, E. E. Hall, M. Brown, Wm. McDonald, A. P. Leach.

The president appointed the entire board as an executive committee and the following as chairmen of the standing committees: T. H. Silver, Auditing; Wm. McDonald, Division A, Horses; E. C. Harlan, Division B, Horse Show; H. P. Mohr, Division C, Cattle; N. S. Boone, Division D, Sheep; A. W. Glass, Division E, Swine; H. P. Mohr, Division I, Grains; M. V. Pery, Division J, Vegetables; F. C. Winton, Division K, Horticulture; C. L. Crellin, Division L, Viticulture; H. Lachman, Division M, Floral and Decoration; A. P. Leach, Music and Entertainment.

A RECENT VISIT WITH McKINNEY 2:11¼.

It was a source of no small amount of pleasure to visit the great McKinney 2:11¼ recently in his enjoyable and comfortable large, well-ventilated box stall in the magnificent big barn at the great eastern breeding establishment, Empire City Farms, Cuba, N. Y. It was so pleasing because we were almost astonished at finding the world's greatest living standard sire in such perfect condition. For McKinney could well pass for an eighteen-year-old rather than to consider him at his actual age of twenty-eight years. His coat of black hair catches one's glance as only a well-groomed show horse would glitter to your "lamps." He still possesses that handsome neck seen in his early pictures; his back surely does not show the burdens of twenty-eight winters, and he is stout, yet hard as nails, for every day in the year he gets four miles of jog work. His foot is a full grown, big, healthy one, and really, his whole physique is one of perfect health. He served sixteen mares last season, of which ten caught. It is the intention of the management to breed all their matrons to the great son of Alcyone the coming season. We noted a four-day-old colt by McKinney upon the premises, and it is a large and strongly built baby. The world's second best 2:10 speed sire should outlive any other light harness horse's prepotent powers, as judged from this distance. Only four sires stood ahead of McKinney the past season in respect to new performers, and there is hardly any doubt but what the close of the present year will find him a double century sire, as he has but nine to go to attain this high rank.

There are thirty horses upon the premises, and a better appearing or sounder looking lot of stock has not come under our eyes in travels through ten eastern states and Canada. There are ten yearlings by the "old horse," and all are good appearing youngsters, with excellent substance. Superintendent H. L. Wright has been on the farm for twenty-odd years. He has a splendid straightaway of about a sixteenth of a mile under cover in the large concrete stable.

Roy Miller recently invaded the home farm and selected ten two-year-olds to take to the Lexington, Ky., branch for education. None of the young stock is developed at Cuba for speed, as all that is done at the southern point.—Horse Review.

THE FECUNDITY OF DAIRY CATTLE.

[by Harold McAlister, Chino, Cal.]

There is no factor of greater importance to the breeder of purebred stock than that of choosing the breed that has the greatest fecundity. No matter how remarkable a dairy herd may be in all other qualities, if it does not possess at lease a high degree of fertility, it is bound to prove a losing venture. How many breeders have spent profitless years in useless attempts to build up a herd that was otherwise of fine individual quality, but was lacking in prolificacy! Prof. E. Davenport, in his "Principles of Breeding," states that "However worthy and however valuable, intrinsically, the strain may be, it is worthless, unless he can produce it with certainty in any desired numbers." As in purebred dairy stock the sale of the surplus stock is probably more important than the sale of the milk, the question of fecundity becomes doubly essential. The value of the prolific dairy cow, compared with the one that is relatively less fertile, is shown in the accompanying table by the number of female descendants at the end of the sixth generation, supposing that one-half of the calves dropped by each cow were heifers.

	Total	Generations.					
	Calves.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th
Cow No. 1—	2	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cow No. 2—	4	2	4	8	16	32	64
Cow No. 3—	6	3	9	27	81	243	729
Cow No. 4—	8	4	16	64	256	1,024	4,096

Thus, no matter how great an individual cow No. 1 would be, a breeder could never hope to build up a herd from her issue, while, on the other hand, he would have a splendid herd at the end of a few years from the offspring of either No. 3 or No. 4.

In selecting a breed of dairy cattle, therefore, the question of prolificacy must receive firse place. It is a well known fact that one of the chief results from inbreeding is the decrease in fertility. In its native land, the Holstein breed was never permitted to be inbred by the shrewd Dutch farmers. On the other hand, the Jersey and Guernsey breeds, confined as they were to mere specks of islands, and with stringent laws forbidding all outside importations for so many years, were of necessity very highly inbred. Also, the inbreeding was not done under a guiding hand for the increase of butter production, but might be said to have been done promiscuously and without reference to which was the best blood. From an article in the Jersey Bulletin of September 10, 1913, we find that they "are forced to obey their laws to inbreed to Golden Fern Lad in Jersey. They are breeding first cousins in blood and have been doing it for some time. Every animal now on the island is descended from Golden Lad, the widest, and by no means the best, distributor of Sultane's blood." In America, the Jersey breeders have also inbred to quite a great degree,—intensifying the evils committed over in the Island.

The United States Department of Agriculture states in its Year Book that the "Jerseys were boomed, were advertised, and were carried up to the zenith of their power, and then came the natural results of inbreeding and incest. * * * To get impressive power that would supply the block and pail, sacrifices were made that eventually led to disaster. Nature exacts penalty for reversion or disobedience of her laws. We see intensity of blood used with grand effect in sheep, but in cattle we have had signal failures in the Shorthorn and the Jersey." The Holstein breeders in America, however, as a rule, have never countenanced any inbreeding, but have preferred to increase the butter production of their cows by introducing the best Holstein blood from outside herds.

The most concrete illustration that can be offered concerning the relative prolificacy of the different dairy breeds may be taken from the annual registrations of the various breed associations for the past decade, as shown below:

	Holsteins.	Guernseys.	Jerseys.
1905	9,773	2,116	9,670
1906	11,823	2,670	10,899
1907	14,650	2,958	12,029
1908	16,534	3,126	13,302
1909	19,591	3,957	15,107
1910	26,176	7,272	18,679
1911	32,889	5,395	21,769
1912	37,435	6,932	23,334
1913	43,215	9,132	25,726
1914	54,998	9,822	29,381

Eighteen years ago the Holstein Association was registering less than twice as many animals as the Guernsey Cattle Club. In 1913-1914 the Holstein Association registered almost six times as many cattle, in spite of the fact that during the intervening time there have been practically no Holsteins imported into America from Europe, while the Guernsey breeders have every year imported large numbers of Guernseys, numbering sometimes as many as eleven hundred and fifty animals in a single year. Yet from 1910 to 1914, there was a gain of but 2,550 in Guernsey registrations, while at the same time there has been a gain of 28,822 Holsteins, or over eleven times as many, without, practically, any importations. The Guernsey records also show that during eleven years in their history they have suffered a loss of registrations, while the Holstein Association has never yet suffered an actual decrease. In the last five years alone, were it not for the importations of Guernseys into the United States, the registrations of that breed would have a decrease, instead of an increase in numbers. Comparing the registrations of the two breeds, we find that while, as in the last five years, an average Holstein herd will be more than doubled, the average Guernsey herd will not be as large as it was originally. The profit, therefore, in the Guernsey herds, from the sale of surplus stock, is a feature that as yet is exceedingly doubtful.

In regard to the registration of the Jerseys, we find that ten years ago it was practically the same as that of the Holsteins, there being a difference of only one hundred and three between the registrations of the two clubs. Last year the registrations for Holsteins were 25,617 more than those for Jerseys, or almost twice as many. The registration of 29,381 Jerseys, however, in the last year, is misleading, inasmuch as there should be deducted from this number 4,455 Jerseys that have been imported in the last ten years, and their descendants, making a total of over 7,500, which would bring the proper number of Jerseys registered to 21,881, instead of 29,381. The importations of Holsteins in the last ten years have been practically nil. Now, although the two breeds had practically the same number in 1905, there has been in 1913-1914 a natural increase for the Holsteins of 45,003, and of 12,211 for the Jerseys, a difference of 31,014 registrations in favor of the Holsteins during the past year. The registrations for last year, then, for the Holsteins were 54,776, and for the Jerseys 31,881, omitting the descendants of the importations of both breeds for the last ten years, and with both breeds starting on an equal basis in 1905. Thus, an average Holstein cow will have inside of ten years over twice the number of descendants that the average Jersey will have. It must also be remembered that the Jerseys were in America in large numbers long before the Holsteins were introduced, and that, until the last few years, the Jerseys have also had a much larger annual registration. It has only been lately (in the past few years) that the Holstein breed has reached sufficient numbers to make a great annual increase. At the present time, however, the registration of Holsteins is far greater than that of all other dairy breeds combined, and every future year will show more marked and continuous gains, while those of other breeds will remain comparatively at a standstill.

RADICAL CHANGE IN FOOT-AND-MOUTH QUARANTINE.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 23.—Two orders just signed by the Secretary of Agriculture make radical changes in the quarantine regulations for the foot and mouth disease. All the territory east of the Mississippi and north of Tennessee is now included in the quarantined area and no shipments of live stock, except for the purpose of immediate slaughter, will be permitted from this area to the South or West. Stock owners, however, in the States of Virginia, West Virginia, Vermont, Maine, and the District of Columbia may ship out their stock upon affidavit that it has been on their farms for a certain length of time and has not been exposed to any risk of contagion.

This step the authorities believe to be necessary for the protection of the South, Southwest and West, which have not as yet been affected by the disease. The recent discovery of a few cases where cattle, shipped from areas where the disease had existed, carried it to previously uninfected sections, such as four counties in Kansas, convinced the department that no precautions will make such shipments absolutely safe. The new measure, it is said, should confine the disease to the regions in which it has already made its appearance and in which the work of eradicating it will be pushed as before. All of the large slaughtering centers are within this area and very few shipments for immediate slaughter are expected to be made out of it.

Under the new regulations territory within the area now quarantined, which was formerly free, is designated as restricted territory. In this restricted territory live stock may be moved freely to other points within the same territory, but can not pass beyond the limits of the quarantined area, except for immediate slaughter. The regulations governing the area known respectively as closed, exposed, and modified, remain practically the same as before. From the modified area live stock can be shipped for immediate slaughter to points within the quarantined area and from exposed area as well, after a preliminary inspection and certification by federal authorities. No stock may be shipped out of the closed area for any purpose and can only be shipped into it for immediate slaughter.

Immediate slaughter is now defined as slaughter within 48 hours after the stock arrives at the abattoir. No reshipments from abattoirs are now permitted. These regulations have been made necessary by the fact that in a number of instances cattle ostensibly intended for immediate slaughter at one abattoir have been held there for several days and then reshipped to other yards where they have been allowed to remain until the disease had actually broken out.

These regulations are embodied in the order known as Bureau of Animal Industry Order No. 234, which defines and classifies the various areas in all the States affected. Another order—Bureau of Animal Industry Order No. 233, requires that on and after February 17, 1915, all live stock, unless intended for immediate slaughter, shall be transported only in railroad cars which have been cleaned and disinfected. This applies to the whole United States.

MR. GOCHER'S STAND AT HARTFORD.

Hartford, Conn., Feb. 8, 1915.

Editor Breeder and Sportsman:

On February 3, 1915, the Boston Globe and several other papers published an article that was send from Hartford in reference to the Connecticut Fair Association withdrawing from the Grand Circuit. The following paragraphs appeared in said article:

"It is said, the dispatch states, that the real mover for the withdrawal from the Grand Circuit is W. H. Gocher, Secretary of the National Trotting Association. He tried to have Charter Oak withdraw from the circuit last summer, when the Michigan State Fair announced its opposition meeting; but President Dower convinced Secretary O. A. Janes that it would be a bad move at that time.

"Since then Mr. Gocher, according to the correspondent from Hartford above referred to, has advanced the idea that mile track racing in the East is past and that it is time to tie up with the half-milers in this section. It seemed that he would carry his point but it is generally believed that the reopening of the case before the board of directors will mean that Charter Oak will reconsider and accept the dates of Labor Day week."

As soon as my attention was called to said article, I published an emphatic contradiction in the Hartford Times, which among others took the matter referred to from the associated press, and for the enlightenment of yourself and your readers wish to submit the following brief review of the local situation:

The Connecticut Fair was organized in 1908 to maintain mile track racing at Charter Oak park and put on a fair that would be a credit to the city and the state. Mr. W. O. Burr of The Times was one of the first subscribers to the venture. Seven fairs have been held and a Grand Circuit meeting was a feature at each of them. At the last three the fields of starters were very light, while many of the races failed to develop contests.

In 1914, when Detroit decided to put on a special meeting on the same dates as the Connecticut Fair, no one connected with the latter ever considered withdrawing from the circuit, but every effort was made to induce Detroit to cancel its program, Mr. Dower even going to Detroit for that purpose. He was not successful.

As for the half-mile track proposition, no one to my knowledge ever considered abandoning the mile track at Charter Oak, although it was voted about two years ago to build one inside of the oval in response to requests from a number of local owners. The course, however, was never surveyed. The present issue has also arisen on account of not a sufficient number of horses of Grand Circuit caliber coming to Hartford to make an attractive race meeting, and that there was not much difference of opinion on the subject on January 26 is evidenced by the fact that four of the five members of the executive committee, each of which are familiar with all of the affairs of the association, voted to withdraw from the Grand Circuit and look elsewhere for racing material. As to what the directors will do at the meeting which will be held in the near future remains to be seen, but I have no doubt but that they will act for the best interests of all concerned. The citizens of Hartford, however, can rest assured that there will be racing on the mile track at Charter Oak park next September.

Many pages of turf history have been made in Hartford since Goldsmith Maid and Smuggler had their memorable battle at Charter Oak park in 1876. St. Julian placed the world's record there at 2:11¼, while it was also the scene of the triumphs of Director, Lord Derby, Patron, Billy Buck, Hamburg Belle and scores of others who left the imprint of their shoes in the old mile course, and it is the desire of the present management that when the names of these old-time stars are recalled, it will be to compare them with still greater races which are being decided there, as it is contests and not fast time which makes racing attractive.

Every one connected with the Connecticut Fair Association is doing what he can to maintain mile track racing in this section but of late years, the returns have not been very satisfactory on account of light fields of starters and the majority of the contests being little better than processions.

The books of the Connecticut Fair Association show that at the five meetings held between 1910 and 1914 inclusive, three hundred horses were started in sixty-three races, making the average number of starters for each event below five, while in 1914 the average number of starters for the events programmed was below four. During these five years, the Connecticut Fair Association also paid horse owners $29,377 in excess of the amount received for entrance fees. This with the amounts paid turf papers for advertising the meetings, printing and circulating entry blanks as well as track officials, et cetera, made the net cost of the racing department for five years over $33,000. Further comment is unnecessary.

W. H. GOCHER, Treasurer.

Horace Feindel is the pleased owner of the first foal of the season at Pleasanton Driving Park—a bay colt by Johano (his Carlokin-Johanna Treat stallion) and out of Birdie (dam of Bodaker 2:13) by Jay Bird 5060, second dam Lady Lyle (dam of Earlmont 2:09¾, etc.) by George Wilkes. The youngster is almost to the hour the same age as the exposition and is just as healthy and full of spunk as that young enterprise.

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OLDEST FIELD TRIALS CLUB IN AMERICA.

[By H. T. Payne.]

The Pacific Coast Field Trials Club, commencing January 23, held its thirty-second annual trials. There is but one field trials club in America—the Eastern—that has had a longer existence than the Pacific Coast club. But for several years past the Eastern did not hold trials, so that in fact the Pacific Coast club is today the oldest club of the kind actually in the field, a distinction of which the sportsmen of California may well be proud.

The early history of this club is in many respects an amusing one, for its organizers were true sportsmen, ambitious and determined. They had read of competitive trials of dogs on game birds; the descriptions of the sport sounded good to them; and they became anxious to see and enjoy the real thing.

With the true California spirit they argued that the Golden State must be abreast of the very foremost in this new sport as it was in all others, and a club for this purpose must be organized. Accordingly the club was organized and a date set for the trials, judges selected, rules formulated, and the coming trials proclaimed to the world.

The entrance fee was $5 both in the Derby and the All-age, and the purses were $25, $15 and $10. There were five nominations in the Derby and thirteen in the All-age. The first trials were held at Walltown Timber, near Folsom, on November 26, 27 and 28, 1883, with F. W. Dunn officiating as judge. The spirit was strong, the enthusiasm great, but the dogs were weak. In fact at that time there were but few thoroughbred setters or pointers on the Coast, and most of those who did own good dogs were somewhat skeptical about entering into the competition. They were afraid that some cold blooded native might beat their blue-bloods.

The result was that there were but five starters in the Derby, two pointers, one English and two Irish setters. If either of these had ever made a point the only evidence of it was the unsupported statement of its owner, for not one of the five gave any evidence of understanding either the meaning, purpose or necessity of such an art.

The judge was a sportsman in the truest sense, and therefore believed that as setters and pointers were bred to find birds and locate them for the gun, he, being unable to get any points, determined that at least a dead bird should be found before he would render his decision. Accordingly one was hidden, and with a good deal of assistance from his handler one of the puppies found it. Had the judge been one of the present generation of field trial judges, he would have got out of this dilemma by remarking: "Just look at Heels! Great 'class'! He's in the next county by this time and therefore wins first."

The awards were: Henry A. Bassford's pointer dog Butte Bow (Ranger—Josie Bow), first; General H. C. Chipman's Irish setter bitch, Beatrice (Shakoe—Nellie), second, and G. B. Crosby's pointer dog, Bow Jr. (Ranger—Josie Bow), third.

In the All-age there were seven starters: one pointer, one Gordon, one Irish and three English setters. Most of the dogs in this stake did fairly well, though none of them bolted or got into the next county. The absence of these characteristics of "class" did not worry the judge to any great extent, and he placed them as follows: Fred A. Taft's Gordon setter dog, Don (Dan—Lady), first; Joe M. Bassford's pointer bitch Beautiful Queen (Ranger—Queen), second, and Horace H. Briggs' Irish setter bitch, Belle (breeding not known), third.

Such was the small start of the Pacific Coast Field Trials Club.

At the trials the following year there were eight starters in the Derby; one pointer, one Irish and six English setters, and thirteen starters in the All-age, five English, one Irish and two Gordon setters and five pointers. For the next two years the number of starters fell off both in the Derby and All-age, reaching the lowest point in the 1886, when the Derby had but two starters and the All-age seven. This was the smallest Derby in the history of the club, though as late as 1894 the Derby had but four starters. The smallest All-age stake was in 1890 when the starters numbered but six.

In the early years of the club's trials the owners broke and handled their own dogs, with the result that the dogs were far better broken and under far better control than since the advent of professional handlers. The interest, too, was keener and the attendance larger. Geo. T. Allender was the first professional handler, breaking and handling in 1885 a small string with which he won first in the Derby with J. Martin Barney's pointer, Tom Pinch, and first in the All-age with Wm. Schrieber's pointer, Mountain Boy. In 1889 M. D. Walters made his first appearance as a handler, and the year following Wm. De Mott entered the field.

Of the charter members of the club in active membership the late Judge C. N. Post of Sacramento was the last to answer the final call. Death has called away many of the keen sportsmen who in the early years of the trials broke and handled their own dogs, and the weight of many years has compelled others to give up the sport. Even of those who may be classed as pioneers of the club but few remain, they being W. S. Tevis, of Bakersfield, H. T. Payne, John H. Schumacker, W. G. Kirckhoff, H. W. Keller of Los Angeles, and J. E. Terry of Sacramento. But as death, old age or other causes have depleted the ranks of the old guard, to the roster has been added new names whose keen sportsmanship has never allowed the enthusiasm to lessen or the sport to grow weaker in interest.

While the great disaster of 1906 cast its shadow over the club as the dark clouds of burning San Francisco swept over the State, still the club weathered the financial storm with a smiling face and a stout heart, and though temporarily checked in its long successful career, it was still in the ring to celebrate its thirty-second anniversary, stronger in numbers, more resolute of purpose, and with a future promising years of continued usefulness.

In the history of its annual trials there appears to be a break, as the year 1887 does not appear in the chronological record. This is caused by the club changing the date of the trials from December, 1887, to January, 1888.

In connection with the early trials of the club, a letter written to the writer several years ago by Joe Bassford, one of the charter members of the club and one of the handlers in the first trials, will prove of interest.

"Of all the field trials I have attended I enjoyed the two first ones the most, as we camped outright where the trials were run. Well do I remember the first heat ever run (the All-age). It was between Tom Bennett's Sibyl and my Beautiful Queen, and the owners were the handlers. Both handlers were very much excited, and it was : "Here, Sib!" "Come here, Queen!" and "Tom, have you seen my dog?" and "Joe, have you seen Sib anywhere?" And we helped each other in those times to find our dogs all over the hill.

"Then the old campfire at night, and good Nick White caring for the blankets to keep them clean. And in the very early morning to see Horace Briggs plunge into Deer Creek for a bath when everything was white with frost. And that delicious snore of Fred Taft's when one was tired and wanted to sleep. We can think of it now and laugh.

"Judge Dunn judged both our first stakes, and at the end of each heat he would read aloud the score made by each dog, telling how and why one dog was beaten and how the other won. I think it gave entire satisfaction as I have been in heats since and got beaten but never could understand why. I have also won at least one heat since and never could understand how I did it. Of course I took it all the same, but did not think it was right. But I was a 'field-trialer' by this time. Well do I remember a setter dog, Dan, I ran in the trials under Judge Dunn. When the score was read aloud to the crowd my dog owed the board 15 points for chasing rabbits. How cheap I felt! I think it would be an improvement today if each dog was penalized heavy for chasing rabbits. Some of them might owe the board even in these days."

In connection with the recent trials of this club, a review at this late day of the pioneer importers of thoroughbred field dogs will certainly prove of interest to our present day field trials men.

The first pedigreed dogs brought to the Coast were English setters. It is possible that other thoroughbreds came to the State earlier than those. I shall mention, notably, a brace of English setters—quite likely pure Lavaracks—brought to the Coast by Mr. W. C. Ralston of the Bank of California, but no pedigree of them was given, and the same may be true of some pointers. The first of known pedigree were imported by J. W. Knox, of San Jose, in about 1878. These were Belton II. (Belton—Dimple), and Bell (Rob Roy—Garth's Bess). Mr. Knox was never a patron of the field trials, but some of the dogs of his breeding and their descendants were at one time prominent in the trials and on the bench. Among these were Leavesley's Juno, Miller's Sam, Farmer's Queen and others.

I. N. Aldrige of Marysville soon followed Mr. Knox' lead, bringing to the State McGregor (Rob Roy—Queen Mab) and Lula Laverack (Carlowitz—Petrel). Some of the descendants of the two figured in the trials for a time, but none of them proved to be winners.

W. F. Whittier brought to the State in about 1879 or 1880 Rock Jr. by Luther Adam's Rock out of Sibyl. And about the same year Mr. E. S. Maybury brought out Dan (Prince—Dora) and Sibyl (Leicester—Doll).

E. Leavesley, of Gilroy, began breeding English setters about 1881. He bred very extensively and used to sell off his surplus stock at auction every year. His blood lines, however, were not of the right kind and the dogs bred did not figure to advantage in the trials, but he bred a number of bench show winners. Lola Montez, the founder of the strain which our friends of the north are trying to give the name of "Montez setter," is one of his breeding.

Judge C. N. Post and G. W. Watson of Sacramento, under the name of the California Kennels, purchased the two bitches Sweetheart and Janet, both by Count Noble out of Dashing Novice, and the dog Harold by Gath out of Gem, and two years later added to the kennels the bitch Enid (Gleam—Doe), a litter sister to Georgia Belle, the dam of Gleams Sport, Maiden Mine, Callie White and other field trials winners of note. These were the first importations to the Coast of what is generally known as the field trials strain. Sweetheart was sent east and bred to Sportsman (Gladstone—Sue). From this union came those two great performers Sunlit and Sirius. Sunlit, while not as fast when running free as some of our later performers, was the fastest dog I have ever seen on scattered birds. In the final heat of the race in which she won the All-age she fairly flew from point to point until, before the judges could get an opportunity to call her up, she had scored 36 singles in the on heat. All of the above dogs except Enid were winners themselves, and besides these the kennels bred the following winners: Haladine, Saline, Stephana, Petronella, Pelham, Johanna and Mercury. In 1884 the writer brought to the Coast Jolly Planter (Plantagenet—Countess Flirt) and Princess Claude (Burgunthal's Rake—Iowa Queen), and later Stanford (Count Noble—Ruby's Girl), Lily C. (Cable—Winnipeg Belle), Fred W. (Count Noble—Spark), and Del Sur (Eugene T.—Bess of Hatchie). From Stanford and Lily C. came the well-known winner Countess Noble.

From 1890 to 1893 quite a number of fine bred setters were brought to the Coast by T. J. Watson, P. D. Linville, Thos. Higgs, E. K. Gardner and Geo. Crocker, until by this time the quality of the setter blood on the Coast was equal to that of the best, and many good dogs were produced every year.

Joe, Henry and George Bassford were the pioneer importers and breeders of thoroughbred pointers of the Coast, and to these gentlemen and Messrs. Post and Watson are due in a very great measure the early success of the Pacific Coast trials.

The Bassfords began their importations in 1880, bringing out Ranger Boy (Dilley's Ranger—Royal Fan), Beautiful Queen (Dilley's Ranger—Queen), and Josie Bow (King Bow—Josie). At the time of her death Josie Bow had the greatest record as a field trial dam of any pointer bitch in America, being the mother of six winners. From these kennels came the following winners: Butte Bow, Bow Jr., Lemmie B., Solano B., Victor II., Blossom, Frank, Lottie B., Sankey B., Rose, Queen's Lost and Adelia.

Wm. Schreiber imported from Scotland in March, 1885, two finely bred pointers, Mountain Boy (Grouse—Nell) and Lassie (Prince—Forest Lily). In 1888 he also imported two more from the same country. These were Sal B. (Brag IV.—Forest Queen) and Nestor (Gladsome—Forest Queen II.). Sal S. was imported in whelp to Don (Drake—Jewell). In 1891 Mr. Schreiber sent Sal S. east and bred her to Rip Rap, thus introducing to the Coast the first of the blood of that famous dog. Mountain Boy, Lassie and Nestor were all winners in the trials.

A. B. Truman began the importation of pointers in 1886, by bringing out Romp P. and Rush T., both by Sensation out of Seph G. In the year following he added that fine specimen of the breed, Patti Croxteth T. by Croxteth out of Patti M. Patti Croxteth proved a winner in the trials but her greatest victories were on the bench.

J. Martin Barney of Dutch Flat figured prominently in the earlier years of the trials. He brought to the Coast in 1885 that fine dog Tom Pinch (Wise's Tom—Beulah) and the year following he purchased Galatea (Nick of Naso—Temptation).

H. R. Brown imported in 1886 a fine bitch Donna Sensation (Sensation—Seph G.).

R. T. Vandervort, coming to the Coast to make it his home in 1887, brought with him two well-known pointers of superb breeding. These were Vandervort's Don (Price's Bang—Peg) and Drab (Dan—Arrow).

P. D. Linville was the pioneer in the black pointers that proved popular on the Coast for a time. He imported a brace of this breed in 1886, but death claimed them both shortly after their arrival. James Watson took up the breed a couple of years later, importing Old Black Joe, who won the Derby and All-age the year following. Losing him by death, Watson soon imported another brace of the same strain from which he bred several winners. By 1890 the breed was represented on the Coast by a large number of dogs and bitches of the finest breeding, which have been constantly added to until today the Pacific Coast can boast of as good blood in either breed as is to be found anywhere. The sportsman's spirit of W. S. Tevis, J. E. Terry, the late W. W. Van Arsdale, Elmer Cox, S. Christenson, John W. Considine, T. J. A. Tiedemann, Henry L. Betten, Roy Avery, Lloyd, Lansing and Gordon Tevis, J. S. French, Jos. Chanslor, J. Walter Scott, E. Courtney Ford, Wm. Dormer, J. Kilgarif and many others have constantly added the best blood of the East. But with these later importations all are familiar; I am writing only of the pioneers in the sport—of the men and the dogs that first made the trials a success.

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A complete summary of the Pacific Coast Field Trials Club's trials—from the inaugural meeting above mentioned down to and including the trials for 1914, was published in the Breeder and Sportsman, January 10 and 17, 1914.

At The Traps

Under the caption "Twenty-five Years Ago Today," The Chronicle publishes daily a few notes mentioning interesting occurrences that happened 25 years ago. Last Monday, Washington's Birthday, the following paragraph appeared with other items:

"California trap shooters were defeated by the two Eastern teams in the final shoot at Haight street baseball grounds."

The lines caught on with the local gun bugs and brought up various reminiscences pro and con. Phil B. Bekeart and Harry Golcher were discussing the shoot when the writer appeared and joined in the conversation. As is usual in discussing old time sporting events, there was a hitch here and there. The writer suggested that the Breeder and Sportsman, for that week March 1, 1890, would have a full account of the shoot—as it has had of all Coast and other important trap shoots for the past thirty-three years.

Of the good fellows mentioned in the story which follows many have passed away, but four of the California team are with us today—"Pop" Merrill in Stockton, Martines Chuck at San Diego, Harry Golcher, with the Pacific Hardware and Steel Company in this city. H. T. Payne is now located in Los Angeles, "hard as nails" and genial as ever. Charley Haas, than whom a more graceful shotgun handler never faced the traps, is alive but afflicted and will probably never shoot a gun again. E. T. Allen has retired from business and is living in the country, well and hearty.

Harvey McMurchy is back in Fulton, New York, we believe, and has, until the past year or two, been a regular spring visitor on the Coast, missing but few of the opening shoots each year of the California Wing Shooting Club, which organization will open the live bird season at the Sobrante traps Sunday, March 7.

Sam Tucker is settled down comfortably in Connecticut, but without doubt looks back with fond memory to the days when he exploited the Old Reliable here and all over the Coast.

Rollo Heikes is still with the boys on the Eastern firing line and always made good. Charley Budd and Quimby we have met, but lost track of in recent years.

California Against America.

The most brilliant match between teams of ten on a side that has ever been shot here at pigeons was that of Saturday afternoon last at the Haight street ball grounds in this city. The match was a peculiar one in several respects. It was instituted at short notice, to give eclat to the visit of the expert shots who are touring the country under management of Colonel C. W. Dimick, in the interest of the United States Cartridge Company. No opportunity was afforded the local men to practice, and none of them had shot over traps to any extent since October last, while the visitors were in perfect form. Several of the very best of the Californian shots could not take part, such as Crittenden Robinson, A. W. Bruner, Frank J. Bassford, and others, but a good, safe team was selected, and the splendid scores made fully justified the wisdom of the choice. It was thought that one hundred and twenty-five kills would win, but in the outcome the home team rolled up one hundred and thirty, an average of thirteen out of fifteen, while the visiting wizards scored one hundred and thirty-seven, just under fourteen birds to the man. Such work cannot but arouse admiration and emulation. The Californians were beaten fairly and squarely, after a closely shot-out race, and took their defeat in good spirit. The visitors were evidently shooting up to their highest capacity, and they needed to do so.

The Californians were John K. Orr, Captain, whose first pigeon match in the State was shot in 1856, who is always brilliant, quick and effective; Martinez Chick, of San Diego, a quick shot and reliable; Chas. J. Haas and Chas. A. Merrill, of Stockton, both in the first rank of any company at the traps; Henry A. Bassford, of Vacaville, a little slow, but a dead shot; Jos. Delmas, of San Jose, not particularly graceful in handling a gun, but as reliable as any man in the State; Dr. S. E. Knowles, of this city, who has reduced trap shooting to certainties, bar luck; Colonel S. I. Kellogg, not as experienced at live birds as the others, but a clean, fine shot; H. C. Golcher, a Hercules in frame and a master of the gun, and Edward Fay, whose race was as brilliant as any of the day. The team did not work together with sufficient care, and lost several birds which might have been scored dead with more watchfulness.

The ten visiting world-beaters were Harvey McMurchy, a model in style, judgment and skill; W. H. Wolstencroft, the quickest shot alive, and deadly withal; W. F. Quimby, a little slower, and not given to leading his birds quite enough; H. B. Whitney, trim, precise, sure as fate, and the equal of any man ever seen in the State as a shot; W. E. Perry, whose shooting actually seems automatic; C. W. Budd, clean-cut, masterly and perfect at the traps.

James R. Stice, a massive man, but lithe and speedy; Rollo O. Heikes, a first rate shot and first-class in all other respects; S. A. Tucker, known and read of all our readers, and John A. Ruble, a little morose in manner and failing to center his birds, yet scoring them all dead.

All of the visitors were cracks, and their styles afforded most interesting matter for study and reflection. Mr. Wolstencroft in particular was a study. Such marvelous quickness was never before seen. His second barrel is fired almost simultaneously with the first.

Colonel C. W. Dimick was referee, Ramon E. Wilson and H. H. Briggs judges, Ed Hough and H. T. Payne scorers.

Bassford, of the California team, was the first to face the traps, and opened the contest auspiciously by dropping a black tailender within three feet of the trap with the first barrel, the appreciative crowd in the grand stand applauding the performance with much patriotic enthusiasm.

Wolstencroft, the lightning marksman of the champion team, came next, and fairly discounted Bassford's clever permances by slamming his bird before it was six inches above the trap.

Kellogg of the local team then followed and knocked a fistful of feathers out of a powerful red left-quarterer that dashed wildly away toward the Cliff House the moment the trap was sprung. The second barrel of the Colonel's twelve-gauge stopped the fugitive, however, within twenty yards of the boundary, and the grand stand resounded again with local enthusiasm. Budd of the visiting team then killed a white straightaway bird in fine style, and the shooting kept on alternately, Golcher scoring with his second barrel, McMurchy with his first, Knowles with his first, Stice with his first, Perry with his first, Fay with his second, Quimby with his second, Chick with his first, Heikes with his first, Merrill with his first, Ruble with his first, Delmas with his first and Whitney with his second.

Nine men of each team had killed their birds, only two of the Californians being compelled to use the second barrel, while five of the champions deemed it prudent to pull the second trigger and lose no chance. Haas was the last of the Californians to face the traps on the first round and he killed his first bird in fine style. Tucker of the visiting team was the last of the champions, and the echo of his ten-gauge gun was dimmed by the shout in the grand stand, as the right quarterer he aimed at defied his first barrel and carried the charge of shot from his second just outside the fifty-yard boundary. This was the first miss of the day, and the Californians had won the initial round, having scored ten straight birds to the champions' nine.

On the next round, however, Bassford, Chick and Delmas missed, and the champions led by one bird, the score standing 18 to 17. The champions gained another bird on the third round, scoring 27 to the Californians' 25. The next round was a stand-off and the score stood 36 to 34. The Californians held the champions level in the next two rounds, and in the seventh killed ten straight birds, while Perry of the champions missed one, the score then standing 63 for the visitors to 62 for the Californians. Evener shooting is not often seen, but the champions shot with more method if less brilliancy than the local men. The visitors threw away no chance, and killed their birds almost on the traps, while the local men very often let the birds get a start that needed the hardest kind of shooting to stop.

At the end of the tenth round the score stood 93 for the visitors to 89 for the Californians, and then the home talent experienced a streak of bad luck that lost them the match. Bassford began the round by failing to stop a left-quarterer with both barrels, though the bird dropped dead at the fence. Golcher gave a swift black-tailender both barrels, but the load of shot only increased the fugutive's pace. Fay, who had a clear score of nine straight kills, gave a right-quarterer both barrels, but the bird struggled out of bounds and died there. Chick wasted two cartridges on a fleet-tailender. The climax for the Californians was capped when a left-quarterer that was apparently dropped dead in bounds by Merrill fluttered across the field in front of the retrieving pointer and got well outside of bounds before yielding up the ghost. Heikes was the only member of the visiting team who failed to score, as his bird, a strong red tailender, took both barrels and got to the fence before dropping. The score stood 102 for the champions to 95 for the Californians. On the next round the demoralized Californians dropped behind two more, and at the end of the thirteenth the score stood 121 for the visitors to 111 for the Californians.

On the fourteenth round the Californians shook themselves together once more, and Wolstencroft and Quimby missing easy birds, the visitors' lead was reduced to eight birds. On the final round Kellogg missed a strong left-quarterer that skimmed over the fence like a swallow. The other Californians all scored in fine style. Heikes, of the visiting team, missed a lively black straightaway bird that made a bee-line for Alameda the moment the trap was sprung, and Tucker, the last of the visitors to shoot, missed by the failure of his first cartridge to explode. He got a second chance, and missed his bird, and the match ended in favor of the visitors by the score of 137 to 130.

Budd, McMurchy, Ruble and Whitney of the champion team made clean scores. Of the Californians, Merrill was the only man who killed fifteen straight birds. Orr, Fay, Delmas and Haas came within one of clean scores, and but for bad luck would have equaled the visitors.

Colonel Dimmick was the perfect referee, being alert, at home in the position, quick in applying the rules, and so affable as to make everything run smoothly. The local men were not familiar with the rules and lost two birds by the fact. The scores were:

At 15 live birds per man; for teams of 10 on a side, chosen from California and from the U. S. Cartridge Company's Aggregation; revised American Association Rules; for a trophy presented by Mr. E. T. Allen. Referee, Colonel C. W. Dimmick; judges, Ramon E. Wilson and H. H. Briggs; scorers, E. Hough and H. T. Payne.

Eastern team—

W. H. Wolstencroft	12	28	1111	1111	1111	101—14
C. W. Budd	12	28	1111	1111	1111	111—15
H. McMurchy	12	28	1111	1111	1111	111—15
J. R. Stice	12	28	1111	1011	1111	111—14
W. E. Perry	10	30	1101	1101	1111	111—13
W. F. Quimby	10	30	1010	0111	1110	101—10
R. O. Heikes	12	28	1111	1111	1101	110—13
J. A. Ruble	12	28	1111	1111	1111	111—15
H. B. Whitney	10	30	1111	1111	1111	111—15
S. A. Tucker	10	30	0111	1111	1111	110—13
Total						137

California team—

H. A. Bassford	10	30	1011	1111	1100	111—12
S. I. Kellogg	12	28	1111	1110	1010	110—11
H. C. Golcher	10	30	1101	0111	1101	111—12
S. E. Knowles	12	28	1100	1111	1110	111—12
J. K. Orr	10	30	1111	1111	1111	011—14
Edward Fay	12	28	1111	1111	1101	111—14
M. Chick	12	28	1011	1111	0101	111—12
C. A. Merrill	12	28	1111	1111	1111	111—15
Jos Delmas	10	30	1011	1111	1111	111—14
C. J. Haas	12	28	1111	1011	1111	111—14
Total						130

In the foregoing scores, some of the shooters used 10 gauges, others shot 12's. The handicaps were 30 yards rise for the 10 bores and 28 yards for 12 gauges. The scores gave the kills and misses only, and did not designate whether one or both barrels were used.

The clean American sport of trap shooting developed into something of a boom last year, as shown by the records of the Interstate Association for the Encouragement of Trap Shooting. The official statistics of registered tournaments show that nearly 5,000,000 blue rocks were shot at in registered tournaments held by 628 gun clubs throughout the country. This total of clay pigeons is probably more than trebled when the innumerable regular club shoots and unregistered tournaments are taken into consideration. When it is realized that the average cost of a shot at "single" birds trapped is 5 cents (for ammunition and the bird), upon which shooting the above figures are given, it can readily be seen that the shotgun enthusiasts are liberal spenders in following the game. In the records of the governing organization more than 12,000 members are on the rolls of hundreds of gun clubs in the United States and Canada that held registered shoots in 1914. Added to this are very many other clubs, besides privately installed traps where the sport is indulged in at odd times.

One writer states: "It was only about twenty-five years ago that this modern American sport had its beginning, though it traces its origin back to the English pastime of pigeon-shooting. The name 'trap-shooting' originated in this country at the time when American inventiveness substituted inanimate targets for live birds and the game was otherwise transformed. Today there are something like 3400 trap-shooting clubs in the United States, with an active membership of 110,000 to 115,000. One of the highest authorities on the sport estimates that counting those who shoot over the traps with considerable frequency in the course of a season without being officially enrolled as club members, there are at least 250,000 and perhaps 300,000 trapshooters in this country."

Country clubs in large number have placed trap-shooting among their standard outdoor sports, and many colleges have done likewise. Several American warships carry trapshooting equipments, and at naval and military stations in the Philippines and Alaska, as well as at army posts here at home, the sport has an enthusiastic following.

Mississippi river steamers are equipped with traps for indulgence in the sport by passengers.

In the registered tournaments of the association during 1914, 620 contestants won 889 valuable trophies and a total of over $25,000 in purses was divided by high guns. The purses hung up throughout the country, when all of the unofficial but regular club meetings are considered, will run up to many thousands of dollars more, distributed among the crack gun pointers.

In this State there is in active organization of more than 100 of the something like 250 trap shooting clubs credited to the Pacific States and Territories—and new clubs forming all the while. California was third in the list of States for 1913, in the consumption of blue rock targets in trapshooting, last year we slipped back to fifth position—the order being Ohio, Pennsylvania, Iowa and Canada with Illinois close up.

Coast shooters have held their own with the Eastern talent whenever they competed with shooters from the other side of the Rockies or when they met the Easterners on their own ground. In the official list of averages at 2,000 or more targets given out by the Interstate Association for 1914, S. A. Huntley, of Vancouver, Wash., is second on the roll with .9652% at 7,820 bluerocks, F. M. Troeh, winner of the Coast individual championship in the Pacific Coast Handicap at Portland, twentieth with .9380%; J. F. Couts Jr., of San Diego, .9348% at 7,370 targets, twenty-sixth; H. F. Wihlon, Gresham, Ore., winner of the Preliminary Handicap at Sacramento, fifty-third, 91%; J. F. Dodds, San Diego, sixty-sixth,

.8968%; Harry Ogilvie, seventy-fifth, .8846%. A fine showing considering the strong competition.

In Dayton, Ohio, last September, at the Grand American Handicap tournament, over 500 shooters from all points in the country, A. G. Flickinger, of the Vallejo Gun Club won fourth place, a trophy and a substantial purse in the feature contest of the tourney, by breaking 96 out of 100 birds. Tony Prior, of the Golden Gate Gun Club, won the Consolation Handicap trophy and purse against a big field with the fine score of 97x100 at 20 yards rise. Ed Staunton, Huntley, Dodds, Couts Jr. and other Coast representatives were in the money every day of the five days' big shoot.

The high official averages in this State for the past year show J. F. Couts Jr. .9379% out of 7,270 targets; Bob Bungay, of Long Beach, .9264%; Tony Prior, .9210%; W. P. Sears, Los Banos, .9077%; Frank M. Newbert, Sacramento, 90%; J. N. Weiser, National City, 90%; Ed Mitchell, of Los Angeles, winner of the Pacific Coast Handicap at Madeira, leads the professionals with .9608%, he lost but 59 birds out of 1,200; Hugh E. Poston, of this city, second, .9334%; O. N. Ford of San Jose (since reinstated as an amateur), third with .9323%; Dick Reed, San Francisco, fourth, .9268%.

The coast professionals held their own with the best in the country. Lester H. Reid, of Seattle, ranks first with over .9644%; Frank Riehl, Tacoma, seventeenth, .9456%; Hugh Poston, thirty-first, 93%; O. N. Ford, thirty-fourth, 93%; Dick Reed, forty-seventh, 92%; P. J. Holohan, Portland, forty-eighth, 92%; Guy Holohan, sixty-ninth, Clarence A. Haight and Chas. H. Knight of this city, eighty-eighth and ninetieth respectively, which all is some clever shooting in hot company.

Among the local shooting clubs is the California Wing Shooting Club, the oldest trap shooting organization in the country. Some of the champion wing shots of the world have shown their prowess in the past forty odd years at the club's shoots. Among the crack shots at the Family Club traps are Phil B. Bekeart, George Uhl, J. B. Coleman, W. A. Sanborn, Col. J. W. Dorsey, Ed Staunton, J. L. Hawks, George and Frank Stall, of Winnemucca, Dr. C. D. McGettigan and others. The Golden Gate and Exposition City Gun Clubs each have a large membership. Across the bay at the Claremont Club, a number of crack shots frequently enjoy the sport, among them Bud and Harold Havens, John Cadman and others. The Bay View Gun Club composed of Alameda shooters holds regular shoots near the south end of High street.

Two clubs, the Garden City and the San Jose Blue Rock Club, flourish in San Jose, among the bunch of good shots are several clever women trap shots. Farther south there is the Salinas Rodeo Rod and Gun Club; Watsonville Blue Rock Gun Club; Santa Cruz Sportsmen's Association. Among other clubs of central California, down the valley and other points, may be mentioned Sacramento, Capital City Blue Rock Gun Club; Martinez, Alhambra Gun Club, Fred K. Burnham, Arctic explorer and big game hunter, president; Richmond Gun Club, Auto Gun Club, near Alviso, San Leandro Gun Club; Dixon, Dairy City Gun Club; Hollister, El Gabilan Gun Club; Newman Rod and Gun Club; Modesto Owl Rod and Gun Club; Paso Robles Rod and Gun Club, Pixley Gun Club, Porterville Gun Club, Fresno, Raisin City Gun Club, Lodi Blue Rock Club, Vallejo Gun Club, Tulare City Gun Club, Turlock Gun Club, Vacaville Blue Rock Club, Willows Gun Club, Winters Gun Club, Grass Valley Sportsmen's Association, Healdsburg Gun Club, recently organized by Otto M. Feudner; Coalinga American Gun Club, Bakersfield, Kern County Gun Club, Bakersfield Blue Rock Club, Fresno City Gun Club, Los Banos Gun Club, McKittrick Gun Club, Porterville Fish and Game Protective Association, Auburn Gun Club, Cloverdale Gun Club, Corning Gun Club, Dunmuir Gun Club, Oilfields, East Side Gun Club, Eureka Blue Rock Club, Lemoore Gun Club, Lindsay Gun Club, Nevada City Gun Club, Red Bluff Gun Club, Taft Gun Club, Tehama Gun Club and others.

A new club, the Blackbird Gun Club, has been recently organized in Los Angeles. Among the Southern California clubs are: Tuna Gun Club at Avalon, Cucamonga Gun Club, El Centro Gun Club, Escondido Gun Club, Fillmore Gun Club, Floriston Gun Club, Blue Bill Gun Club at Florence, Imperial Valley Shotgun Club at Imperial, Cerritos Gun Club, Long Beach; Long Beach Gun Club, Lordsburg La Verne Gun Club, Pasadena Duck Club, Los Angeles Rifle and Revolver Club, Sheriff Gun Club, Los Angeles; Manhattan Gun Club, Willow Gun Club, Los Angeles Gun Club, Maricopa Blue Rock Club, Otay Rod and Gun Club, Pomona Gun Club, Redlands Gun Club, Redondo Gun Club, Riverside Gun Club, Urbita Gun Club at San Bernardino, Pastime Gun Club at San Diego (a live bunch), San Fernando Blue Rock Club, Aliso Duck Club at Santa Ana, Santa Maria Gun Club, Saugus Gun Club, Tuxedo Country Club at Santa Barbara, Terra Bella Gun Club, Tropico Gun Club, Old Baldy Gun Club at Upland, Ventura Rod and Gun Club, and others.

Many of the above mentioned clubs are members of the California-Nevada Trap Shooting Association, composed of clubs of both States.

The San Jose Blue Rock Club members will shoot in a Fred Gilbert 20th anniversary shoot, Sunday, March 14, at which time the club will start the regular trap shoots for this year.

The Golden Gate Gun Club blue rock trap shoot drew an attendance of over 100 shooters from this city and many other points February 21 at the West Alameda shooting ground. The shooters were closely watched by a large crowd of spectators. Among the contestants were three clever shooters of the fair sex, Mrs. Ada Schilling of San Jose, Miss G. Meyers and Mrs. E. Houghawout, each of whom held their own with the other shooters. The main event, a "merchandise" prize shoot, was a match at 50 targets, shot in two 25 bird sections. In this contest every shooter drew a prize—miscellaneous and useful articles of all kinds, besides cash amounts, all of which were donated by friends of the club. The midday event was a big team shoot at 10 birds per man. Clarence Haight's team won over Armorer Price's team. The general average of scores was not up to what was expected, a cold and raw, windy day being a handicap. Straight scores of 25 were made by Ted Riley and L. Simpson. Riley's run of 28 straight was the best "long run" of the day. In the "grub" shoot, straight scores of 10 were shot by Prior, Bradley, Webb, Newbert and Edgar Forster. The total of scores in two 25 bird sections, 50 targets in all, and the "grub" shoot at 10 birds, follows:

Targets—	25	25	Bke.	10	T't'l
Toney Prior	23	23	47	10	57
O. N. Ford	24	23	47	9	56
L. H. Bradley	24	23	47	10	57
R. C. Reed*	24	23	47	9	56
Ted Riley	25	21	46	8	54
E. Hoelle	22	23	45	8	53
L. Simpson	20	25	45	8	53
C. H. Nash	23	22	45	8	53
C. H. Knight*	22	23	45	7	52
Putzer*	22	22	44	7	51
Geo. Stall	22	22	44	9	53
E. J. Forster	24	19	43	10	53
C. D. Lancaster	21	22	43	8	51
A. G. Flickinger	21	21	42	9	51
A. S. Wickersham	22	20	42	9	51
C. C. Huber	21	21	42	9	51
W. D. Mansfield	20	22	42	4	46
H. B. Vallejo	22	19	41	9	50
H. R. Phinney	18	22	40	8	48
S. C. Bill	19	21	40	5	45
H. Stelling	16	24	40	9	40
B. Worthen	19	20	39	8	47
W. H. Price	17	22	39	6	45
A. J. Webb	21	18	39	10	49
C. A. Haight*	21	18	39	8	47
A. H. Beetham	18	21	39	8	47
Ray Hogg	20	19	39	8	47
A. R. Roll*	21	17	38	5	43
H. P. Jacobsen	15	23	38	8	46
J. W. Dorsey	19	18	37	9	46
Mrs. Ada Schilling	20	17	37	8	45
R. C. Baird	17	20	37	9	46
F. M. Newbert	17	19	36	10	46
F. Webster	18	18	36	7	43
T. H. Handman	18	18	36	8	44
J. H. Jones	21	15	36	8	44
R. McGill	21	15	36	7	43
J. S. French	15	21	36	8	44
F. Willet*	13	22	35	7	42
P. Swanson	17	18	35	5	40
H. C. Peet	20	15	35	3	38
A. E. Stone	18	17	35	5	40
W. W. Terrill	17	18	35	9	44
G. Belloff	20	15	35	5	40
C. E. Cutter	16	18	34	1	35
H. Stevens	17	17	34	8	42
H. Vernon	19	15	34	..	..
Fred Stall	19	15	34	8	42
T. W. Brown	19	15	34	8	42
G. Thomas	13	21	34	8	42
C. Westerfeld	18	16	34	9	43
Capt. Du Bray*	17	16	33	8	41
W. Parsons	22	11	33	5	38
W. Ashcroft	14	19	33	6	39
G. J. Hoffman	15	17	32	..	..
Adams	16	16	32	8	40
Roy Avery	17	15	32	2	34
L. Hawxhurst*	19	13	32	9	41
"Daisy"	17	14	31	7	38
J. T. Connelley	14	17	31	4	35
Dr. G. Eaton	12	19	31	2	33
C. A. Anderson	13	17	30	9	39
C. Merrill	13	16	29	7	36
H. Jennings	19	10	29	4	33
Dr. C. D. McGettigan	12	16	28	6	34
Geo. Boehm	12	16	28	6	34
B. Forestier	15	12	27	4	31
Junker	9	17	26	8	34
L. Legler	9	16	25	4	29
W. Stadfeldt	11	13	24	5	29
G. Seeley	15	9	24	6	30
J. Karney	10	11	21	4	25
W. Parish	12	7	19	2	21
E. Forster	9	9	18	4	22
H. Peters	8	10	18	4	22

The Golden Gaters will hold the regular opening shoot for 1915 on Sunday, March 21, at which shoot a Fred Gilbert 25th anniversary club shoot will be the feature event.

If you wish to pattern your shotgun, try out a rifle or revolver, there is no better gallery on the Coast than that in the basement of the Peters Cartridge Company, 583-585 Howard street, this city. Any sportsman will be welcome to prove up his shootin' iron.

In demand of the times to supply the many Coast gun clubs there is now a blue rock plant in operation near Los Angeles. This newly established enterprise also is placing a new trap on the market. Heretofore these trap shooting essentials were sent out here from different Eastern manufacturers.

Opposition to Senate bill No. 699, prohibiting the shipping and sale of trout from Lake Tahoe and Truckee river districts, has been organized. The Lake Tahoe Trout Fishermen's Association charges that it is the action of the "game hog" again, and that San Franciscans will be deprived of the privilege of a mess of trout if the bill goes into effect. The bill is backed by the Lake Tahoe Improvement Clubs, consisting of about 100 property owners about the lake.

Fish Lines

During the operations of the United States Government Hatchery crew at the Los Molinos river station, in Tehama county, Superintendent Mitchell had a crew of seven men drawing the big nets and large hauls were being made. A new fish-way has been installed on the Los Molinos river just below the old mill dam, which went out last winter. The river was seined from this new fish-way to the lower dam.

While a great many of the catches were not yet "ripe," the number of eggs per day ran as high as half a million, and this was considered good for so early in the season. The rains which raised the river, particularly the Sacramento, increased the run of fish.

There was also a better run in the Los Molinos after the first of November, at which time the Los Molinos Land Company diverted into the river channel all the water flowing in its ditches, amounting to over half the normal flow of the river.

By reason of the new fish-way just below the mill dam the salmon are prevented from going farther up stream, and those which were caught before being "ripe" were thrown back and caught and recaught many times by the daily hauls before they were ready to "strip."

News of the fishing operations had been spread abroad, and people came from all parts of the county and from many miles beyond to carry away the fishes which the hatchery crew discarded. Many arrived in wagons and took away enough fish to dry for use during the entire winter.

H. W. Shebley, superintendent of hatcheries and deputy commissioner, made a trip to the San Bernardino mountains to establish a new hatchery in the San Antonio canyon, at the base of Mount Baldy. They proposed to stock up with rainbow eggs the new propagation colony which will help furnish the stock to plant in streams of 12 counties.

These waters are replenished with trout each year, as the popular sport of whipping the southern mountain streams thins the fish to a point approaching extinction. This season Pritchard will plant two million trout, or double the quantity of last year.

Grass Valley citizens who had occasion to go down the Rough and Ready ditch and along Deer creek recently report that during the last storm thousands of small trout, averaging four and five inches in length, could be seen floating down those streams. It is said that the water in Deer creek below the Champion mines contains something that kills the fish and as a result many of the speckled beauties have been destroyed.

Almost each year the streams near Nevada City are stocked with trout by the Sportsman's Club and several enthusiastic nimrods have asked if some means cannot be devised to keep the fish from coming down stream and being killed.

The San Francisco Fly-Casting mid-winter tournament has been postponed until Saturday, March 6.

Good striped bass fishing has prevailed in the waters near the Napa drawbridge for the past two weeks. Louis Gotthelf's finny prizes, for several recent trips, numbered six fish, scaling respectively 29½, 17, 12 and 8 pounds, 43½ and 15 pounds. He also tangled up with one huge bass that smashed his rod and broke away. Frank Messager landed an 11-pounder, another angler caught a 12-pound bass, George Gregory picked up two fish, 16½ and 9¼ pounds in weight. Weather and water conditions have been very unfavorable at that resort.

Other reports are that two large bass were taken last week in Galenas creek and also several from Corte Madera creek near Greenbrae.

As soon as the weather clears, the striped bass chasers should experience fine fishing, for the large fish should be numerous in the creeks and sloughs for the next two months or so, if past tradition is anything to count on.

Salt Water Fishes Flooded Out.—Bay fishing, particularly the chase of the homely rock cod, is all off at the present time. There is too much fresh water in the bay, the volume of up river flood waters has driven the saltwater fishes out to sea.

PASSING OF AN ANGLER.

As he was about to take part last Monday in the mid-winter tournament of the San Francisco Fly-casting Club, Harry Russell, one of the members, dropped dead from heart failure in the club lodge at Stow lake in Golden Gate Park. He had been conversing with fellow members but a moment before, and had appeared in good health, except that he had complained of a slight indigestion.

Russell was 54 years old and was born in Sacramento. For twenty years he had been connected with the local branch of the General Electric Company, and for ten years had been its sales manager. He was a member of the Bohemian Club and was a graduate of the University of California in the class of 1881.

FOR PROTECTION OF BREEDING STOCK.

At a recent meeting of the directors of the Percheron Society of America the following resolution favoring the reimbursement of breeders of live stock for pure bred breeding animals destroyed in any public welfare campaign against animal welfare was adopted, and copies forwarded to members of the committee on agriculture in the United States Senate:

Whereas, The live stock industry of the United States is now threatened with a disease that is of such grave character as to require the destruction by slaughter of all the animals that have been in any manner exposed; and

Whereas, The destruction of such animals is required as a measure for the public welfare and both Federal and State authorities have recognized this by making appropriations to reimburse those whose animals have been destroyed; and

Whereas, The Department of Agriculture has so interpreted the law regarding such appropriations as to fully reimburse the man who has fattened steers, or common grade cattle, on the basis of the value of said animals for meat, and to fully reimburse the man who has grade dairy cows on the value as milk producers, but has so interpreted said law to refuse to reimburse the owner of pure bred registered breeding cattle on the basis of their value for breeding purposes; and

Whereas, Under the present interpretation of the law the man who has poor or common stock is fully reimbursed for losses, while the man who has at great expense in time and money, built up a valuable breeding herd, must accept one-half or one-fifth actual value when his herd is destroyed; therefore

Be It Resolved, That we, the directors of the Percheron Society of America, believe that when the National or State Governments find it necessary to destroy herds, studs or flocks of pure bred registered breeding animals, in a campaign for national welfare, the breeders or owners of such stock should be reimbursed on the basis of a fair valuation of such animals for breeding purposes.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

OFFICE OF THE COLLECTOR OF INTERNAL REVENUE, FIRST DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA.

To All Concerned:

Only a few days remain of the time when returns of income for the year 1914 can be filed by individuals and corporations without incurring the severe penalties for delinquency in filing.

March 1st is absolutely the last day returns can be filed without subjecting the taxpayer to these penalties. In the case of an individual, the specific penalty for delinquency is from $20 to $1000, and in the case of a corporation, from $50 to $10,000, and in addition to these penalties, any amount of tax found to be due will be increased by fifty per per cent. I cannot, therefore, too strongly urge the importance of filing returns on or before March 1st.

Immediately after March 1st, a large force of Internal Revenue officers will be sent into the territory of this district, which comprises all of California north of Kern and San Luis Obispo counties, and all of the State of Nevada. From information gathered during the past year, these officers will know the names and addresses of practically all persons whose incomes for the year 1914 were sufficient to make them liable to file returns. All such persons who have not filed returns at the close of business on March 1st will be found and absolutely no excuse will be accepted. It will do them no good to plead lack of information because they have now had nearly a year and a half to inform themselves as to the requirements of the Income Tax Law since that law passed. The officers of this district have exerted themselves to the utmost to disseminate correct information. I have repeatedly urged all persons who did not understand the law to either call at my office or write and ascertain their liability under the law. Everything possible along this line has been done, or will be done up to and including the first day of March, and every person who neglects or fails to perform the duty imposed upon him by the statute on or before that date will do so at his own risk. I repeat that absolutely no excuse will be taken and that the penalties will be imposed.

The liability of an individual to file return can be succinctly stated. Every citizen, or resident of the United States, man or woman, whose net income amounted to $3,000 or over for the year 1914 must file a return. Every non-resident alien with a net income of any amount from property owned and business, trade or profession carried on in the United States must file a return. The single or married status of a person is not a consideration in the determination of liability to file return although it later does become a consideration in the determination of tax liability.

Absolutely every corporation, excepting certain specifically exempted kinds of corporations accurately described in the statute itself, must file a return whether it operated at a profit or at a loss, and even though it was not actively engaged in business during the year 1914. The only question is whether it had a legal existence during any part of the year 1914. If it had, it must file a return. Certain corporations which have established a fiscal-year basis in the office of the Collector of Internal Revenue may file returns on that basis, but all others must file returns on the basis of the calendar year of 1914 on or before March 1, 1915. The exemption of $5000 allowed a corporation under the special excise law of 1909 is not allowed under the Income Tax Law.

Returns may be filed at the headquarters at the Custom House in San Francisco, and at the Internal Revenue office in the Security Bank Building at Oakland, and at the Internal Revenue offices in the postoffice buildings at Sacramento and Fresno. They may also be sent by mail but when mailed, must be sent in time to reach an Internal Revenue office not later than March 1st.

Beginning February 23, 1915, the Internal Revenue offices just referred to will be kept open until 10 p. m. each week day for the accommodation of the public, and on March 1st, will be kept open until midnight. In the meantime, letters seeking information will be promptly answered, and information will be given by telephone or telegraph on request at the expense of the person desiring it. Everything possible will be done, but I repeat that after March 1st no excuse will be taken and the penalties will be imposed upon those who will have failed to comply with the law.

Respectfully,

JOSEPH J SCOTT., Collector.

San Francisco, California.

THE FARM

MEETINGS IN CONGRESS HALL.

One of the buildings belonging to the Department of Live Stock of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition is the Hall of Congresses which was specially erected for the accommodation of live stock and allied associations which will hold their meetings in San Francisco in 1915. Those associations which have already signified their intention of holding a meeting or convention in San Francisco in 1915 are as follows:

American Association of Importers and Breeders of Belgium Draft Horses.
American Aberdeen Angus Breeders' Association.
National Duroc-Jersey Record Association.
American Oxford Down Record Association.
American Rambouillet Association.
Red Polled Cattle Club of America.
American Shire Horse Association.
American Poland China Record Association.
American Hampshire Sheep Association.
American Shorthorn Breeders' Association.
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American Tamworth Association.
American Southdown Breeders' Association.
The Polled Durham Breeders' Association.
American Association of Fairs and Expositions.
Chester White Swine Record Association.
American Shropshire Registry Association.
American Shetland Pony Club.
Welsh Pony and Cob Society of America.
American Angora Goat Breeders' Association.
National Mohair Growers' Association.
American National Live Stock Association.
International Milk Dealers' Association.
American Milch Goat Record Association.
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American Buff Plymouth Rock Club.
O. I. C. Swine Breeders' Association.
American Association, Medical Milk Commissions.
American Genetic Association.

IMPROVING RANGE WATERING PLACES.

How range which ordinarily can not be grazed because of inadequate water facilities can be opened up for stock is told by the Department of Agriculture in Farmers' Bulletin 592 on the development and improvement of stock watering places upon national forests. No stock range can be said to be properly utilized if there is an uneven distribution of water. On some areas the water supply is not sufficient for the number of stock the forage will support. On others the water supply is sufficient, but it is not permanent, making it necessary to remove the animals before the season is over. Still other areas are made practically worthless for stock purposes by the absence of water except at rare intervals during winter. Practical suggestions for the improvement of the water supply are made in the bulletin, which may be obtained on application to the department at Washington.

Ranchers who are cultivating the farms and fruit groves on the newly subdivided acreage of Nuevo Rancho, in the Lakeview-Perris-Hemet valley district, are facing a season of exceptional prosperity, according to those who are acquainted with conditions in that section of Riverside county. Early and copious rains have placed the soil in splendid condition for cultivation and unless something unforeseen transpires, the crops this year should break all previous records.

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DON PRONTO 2:02¼,

eight years old, pacer, no straps, needs no boots; sound, not a blemish or a puff. Any amateur can drive him as well as a professional; has been in 2:02 with a 230 pound amateur up. This is a matter of record. Don Pronto is the cleverest all-round high class pacer in the country. Has held a world's record and is from the dam of Manrico (3) 2:07¼, a world's record holder. Is bred to be a great sire, being by THE DIRECTOR GENERAL (sire also of Wy-Drad 2:04¼, William O. 2:04¼, Mainsheet 2:05, Deuchester 2:07, etc., 8 in 2:10), and out of SILURIAN, that wonderful producing daughter of Wilton. Don Pronto was the biggest money winning free-for-all pacer in the west both in 1913 and 1914. Can surely beat his record. Is very beautiful, pleasant and a great favorite. **Price $1750.00.**

ALARICH 2:11¼ (Breeder's mark 2:09),

trotter, bay gelding with black points, 15.3, handsome, sound, fast and game; trialed at Santa Rosa last season in 2:06¾ and can do it again. Is a first class doer, can race twice a week and is eligible to the 2:13 class trots on mile tracks and to the 2:18 class on half-mile tracks; has shown well on the twice-arounds. **Price, $650.00.**

HELEN BELLE (2) 2:22½, breeder's record, bay filly, foaled 1912, good gaited, good headed, sound and extremely fast; was taken up absolutely green on Sept. 3 and has developed in a most satisfactory manner, taking her mark in December, since which time she has been an eighth in :16, half in 1:09. Sired by California's greatest sire of colt trotters, CARLOKIN 2:07½. First dam Carolyn C. by Axtell (3) 2:12 (a champion); second dam by Expedition, sire of Bon Voyage 2:08; third dam by Princeps (son of Woodford Mamb.); fourth dam by Hambletonian 10.

Carolyn C. had two minute speed. This great filly is entered and paid up in the Occident stake, the State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A., and Oregon Futurities for 1915. **The best buy in California at $1600.**

NELLIE Mc,

black mare, trotter, eight years old, racing sound but is blemished; has always trained sound and I believe will continue to do so. Trialed at Sacramento in 2:10½ and has been a half lately in 1:03¾. Is a splendid mannered mare—anyone can drive her anywhere. She races first class, is fast, good headed, good gaited and dead game.

Sired by ZOLOCK 2:05¼, dam by Wilkes Moor, son of Guy Wilkes.

Stands about 15.3, is a round made extra good looking mare, weighs about 1140, has splendid legs and feet. She negotiates a half mile circle in A-1 style, should surely beat 2:10 this year. Does not pull a pound and can be placed anywhere. Eligible to any class. **Price $1000.00.**

CARLETA,

bay filly, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ALEXANDRIA, tr. 2:20, by Bon Voyage 2:08; second dam by Oakland Baron 2:09¼; third dam by Allandorf, etc.

This is a good trotter and should be prominent in her stake engagements. Is very handsome, good headed, sound and comes from familes noted for early speed. She has been up from pasture about eight weeks and trialed this week in 2:49 very easily, last eighth in :19¼.

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O M A R, gelding,

trotter, trial 2:13¾, half in 1:05, eighths in :15; good headed, sound and can be depended upon. Is a beautifully gaited big horse and should prove useful to race over the twice arounds or for a matinee and road horse. He is fearless and is one of the most pleasant driving horses I have ever ridden behind. Stands slightly over 16 hands, weighs about 1200, is eight years old. Sired by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam Pineapple by Albion (son of General Benton). **A present at $350.00.**

CARLSCHEN (2) 2:23, breeder's record, brown gelding by CARLOKIN, dam BONNIE AILSIE 2:08½ (dam of Contention B. (3) 2:08¼) by Faustino, son of Sidney.

Trialed with a little work last year a half in 1:09, is extremely promising and looks to be as good a prospect as any of the colts racing last year in the two-year-old trots. Is engaged in several of the futurities including the P. C. T. H. B. A., Pleasanton and State Fair Futurities. Is a splendid type, beautifully gaited, good headed and has extreme speed. He does it right. **Price $800.00.**

HERMES, brown colt,

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This is one of the most promising trotters I have ever handled. Is an especially nice gaited colt, can show a 2:20 gait, is good headed and on the whole the most promising youngster I know of for the western stakes. Is also a show horse. Is entered and paid up in the Occident, Stanford, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. His dam is an extremely fast trotter, having shown a two minute gait in her three-year-old form, and his second dam produced two to hold world's records—Manrico and Don Pronto.

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JOHNNY DUGAN,

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Sire, CARLOKIN 2:07½; dam Annabelle L. (full sister to Murray M. and Robert I. 2:08¾) by Hambletonian Wilkes; second dam Annabelle 2:27½ (dam of La Belle 2:16); third dam by Williamson's Belmont. **A great buy at $350.00.**

OLD FOLKS,

bay gelding, trotter, five years old, trialed as a two-year-old in 2:31½, as a three-year-old in 2:18½, and in his four-year-old form last May in 2:11, last half in 1:04. Is sound, good gaited, good headed, and should 2:08 this year. Comes from a family of good race horses on both sides—by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam IRAN BELLE, by Iran Alto 2:12¼; second dam ANNABELLE, etc. He stands A-1 with the railbirds around Los Angeles and is ready to begin fast work, having been jogged all winter. **Price $1000.00.**

CARINA,

bay filly, trotter, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ATHERINE (dam of Copa de Oro 1:59, Rags 2:09¼ and Nicola B. (2) 2:23¾, tr. 2:17, winner of the Oregon Futurity and second in the P. C. T. H. B. A. stakes for two-year-old trotters).

Carina is entered and paid up in the same stakes as Carleta. She is a grand looking, well developed filly, showed a :40 gait at eleven months old. Is good gaited and good headed, is in training and promises to make a high class trotter. Trialed this week in 2:46, last half in 1:21. **Price $600.00.**

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The Lark (3).....2:18½ May Marian p (3)..2:24¾
Carl (2) .....2:19¾ Carlrich p (2) 2:24½
Miss Carlokin p ....2:20 El Carbine (2).....2:27½
Carsto (2) .....2:22½ Eileen C. (3) 2:29
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By JOE PATCHEN 2:01¼, sire of Dan Patch 1:55¼ and 6 others in 2:10.

Dam, Bessie Bonehill 2:05¾ (dam of 2 in 2:10) by Empire Wilkes 2:29¼; second dam Arab Girl (dam of 7) by Crittenden 433, sire of the dams of 6 in 2:10.

Joe Patchen II comes from a long line of famous ancestors and is himself one of the best known and most popular pacers in America, with all the qualities of speed, stamina and individual excellence necessary to the making of a truly great horse—one of the kind you would expect to find after a glance over the array of famous performers owning allegiance to the families from which he comes. He is an excellent breeder, transmitting uniformly his own desirable characteristics and his few foals in California are promising to the highest degree.

Mahomet Watts 2:08¼

A. T. R. No. 51518.

AXWORTHY ELECTIONEER

By GEN. WATTS (3) 2:06¾, sire of three three-year-old trotters in 2:10.

Dam Alla P. 2:21¼ (dam of 3) by Palo Alto 2:08¾, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10; second dam Lula Wilkes (dam of 5), by George Wilkes 2:22, sire of the dams of 15 in 2:10.

Mahomet Watts is not only the fastest performer credited to Gen. Watts (3) 2:06¾ (whose breeding on qualities have been prime factors in the rise of the great house of the Axworthys) but he springs on the maternal side from the most firmly established families of champion producers—those of Electioneer and George Wilkes. He is a pleasing individual of fine finish and extreme speed, having a three-year-old record of 2:10 and being timed separately in a race last year in 2:05¼, whose services should be most welcome to California breeders.

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Vernon McKinney 2:01½

A. T. R. No. 53803.

FASTEST OF THE McKINNEYS

By GUY McKINNEY 37625, son of McKinney 2:11¼, dam by Guy Wilkes.

Dam Maud Vernon by Mount Vernon 2:15¼, sire of the dam of Leata J. 2:03, etc.; second dam Mag by Gen. McClellan, sire of the dam of Mack Mack 2:08, etc.

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Zomblack 2:26, tr. 3, 2:08¾

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By ZOMBRO 2:11, sire of twenty and the dams of three in 2:10.

Dam, Madeline Marshall (dam of 2) by Demonio 2:11¼, sire of 7 and dam of 1 in 2:10; second dam Mamie Comet (dam of 3) by Nutwood 2:18¾, sire of 2 and dams of 21 in 2:10.

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BILLIE BOYD " ¼ mile :38

This includes the entire get of WILBUR LOU.

KINNEY de LOPEZ 2:23,

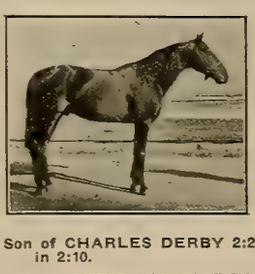
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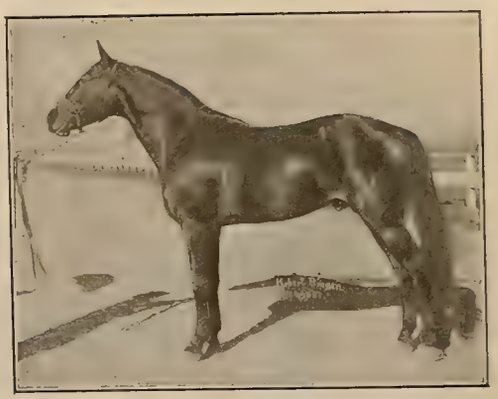
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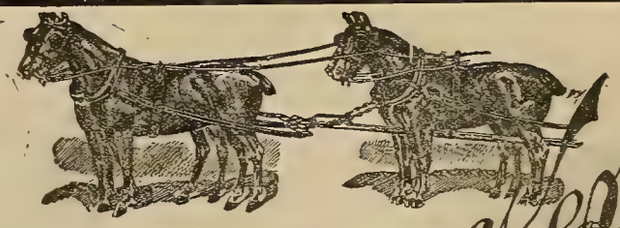
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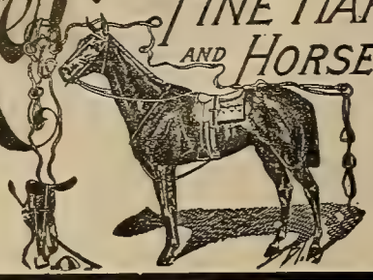


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PROGRAMME:

SUMMER MEETING JUNE 5th TO 19th INCLUSIVE.

SATURDAY, JUNE 5

1. 2:30 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
2. 2:08 Class Pacing 5000
3. 2:08 Class Trotting 5000

TUESDAY, JUNE 8

4. 2-Year Olds Trotting (closed) $ 2000
5. 2:25 Class Pacing 2000
6. 2:13 Class Trotting 2000

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

7. 2:16 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
8. Amateur Free For All Trotting 1000
9. 2:11 Class Pacing 2000

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

10. 3-Year Olds Pacing (closed)...$ 3000
11. Driving Club Trotting, 2:20 class 1000
12. 2:25 Class Trotting 2000

FRIDAY, JUNE 11

13. 2:18 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
14. Driving Club Pacing, 2:15 Class 1000
15. 2:17 Class Pacing 2000

SATURDAY, JUNE 12

16. Driving Club Trotting, 2:30 Class .....$ 1000
17. 2:10 Class Trotting (will close June 1, 1915) 20,000
18. Free For All Class Pacing..... 5000

TUESDAY, JUNE 15

19. Amateur Trotting, 2:14 Class..$ 1000
20. Amateur Pacing, 2:20 Class.... 1000
21. 2:20 Class Pacing..... 2000

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

22. Two Year Olds Pacing (closed) $ 2000
23. 2:12 Class Trotting 2000
24. 2:13 Class Pacing 2000

THURSDAY, JUNE 17

25. Amateur Free For All Pacing $ 1000
26. 2:20 Class Trotting..... 2000
27. 2:17 Class Trotting 2000

FRIDAY, JUNE 18

28. 3-Year Olds Trotting (closed) $ 5000
29. 2:14 Class Trotting 2000
30. 2:19 Class Pacing 2000

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

31. 2:15 Class Pacing ....$ 2000
32. Free For All Class Trotting.... 5000
33. 2:06 Class Pacing (will close June 1, 1915)..... 20,000

Entries for all above races for the SUMMER MEETING close on April 1st, 1915, except Nos. 4, 10, 17, 22, 28 and 33.

FALL MEETING OCTOBER 30th TO NOVEMBER 13th INCLUSIVE.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

1. 2:20 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
2. 2:10 Class Trotting (will close June 1, 1915)..... 20,000
3. Occident Stake, 3 Y. O. Trotting (closed) 2500

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

4. 2:15 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
5. Free For All Driving Club Trotting 2000
6. 2:09 Class Pacing..... 2500

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

7. 2:12 Class Trotting .....$ 2500
8. Two Year Olds Trotting, Breeders Futurity (Closed)..... 1450
9. 2:12 Class Pacing 2000

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

10. 2:30 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
11. 2:15 Class Pacing 2000
12. Free For All Driving Club Pacing 2000

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4

13. 2:17 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
14. 3 Year Olds Trotting, State Fair Futurity (closed) 2000
15. 2:10 Class Pacing 2500

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5

16. 2:13 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
17. 2:25 Class Pacing 2000
18. Two Year Olds Pacing, State Fair Futurity (closed)..... 400

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

19. 2:08 Class Trotting .....$ 5000
20. 2:08 Class Pacing 3000
21. Three Year Olds Pacing, Breeders Futurity (closed)..... 1800

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8

22. 2:16 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
23. 2:24 Class Trotting..... 2000
24. Stanford Stake, 3 Y. O. Trotting (closed) 1200

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

25. 2:09 Class Trotting .....$ 2500
26. Two Year Olds Trotting, State Fair Futurity (closed)..... 600
27. 2:11 Class Pacing..... 2000

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

28. 2:19 Class Trotting 2000
29. Free For All Class Pacing..... 5000
30. 2:20 Class Pacing 2000

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11

31. 2:14 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
32. 2:17 Class Pacing 2000
33. Two Year Olds Pacing, Breeders Futurity (closed) 1200

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12

34. 2:11 Class Trotting .....$ 2500
35. 2:13 Class Pacing 2000
36. Three Year Olds Pacing, State Fair Futurity (closed)..... 1500

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13

37. Free For All Class Trotting....$ 5000
38. Three Year Olds Trotting, Breeders Futurity (closed)... 2800
39. 2:06 Class Pacing (will close June 1, 1915)..... 20,000

Entries for all above races for the FALL MEETING close on April 1st, 1915, except Nos. 2, 3, 8, 14, 18, 21, 24, 26, 33, 36, 38 and 39.

CONDITIONS FOR ALL RACES CLOSING APRIL 1st, 1915.

All races three heats, money divided 25 per cent to the first heat, 25 per cent to the second heat, 25 per cent to the third heat, and 25 per cent to the race according to rank in the summary. Money in each division 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. Should two or more horses be tied for first place at the completion of the third heat, such horses only shall contest in a fourth heat and money divided according to rank in the summary at the termination of that heat. A horse having won the first two heats and drawn or distanced in the third heat shall not lose position in the summary.

Nominators have the right of entering two or more horses in any race by the payment of two per cent. additional on each horse, but only one of the horses so entered to be started in the race, and the starter is to be named by 5 o'clock p. m. the day before the race is to take place.

Entries to close Monday, April 1st, 1915.

Nominators who make entries and ship horses from east of the Rocky Mountains will be given $50 towards the return to points east of the Rocky Mountains on such horses as start in any of the races and fail to win any money.

Entrance fee, three per cent, due at time entries close, two per cent. additional if not declared out on or before June 1, 1915, for the Summer Meeting and on or before August 1, 1915, for the Fall Meeting. Declarations must be paid in full at time of declaring out or declaration will not be accepted. Usual five per cent. additional from winners in all races except Futurity Stakes, Occident and Stanford Stakes.

Professional drivers will not be permitted to drive in Amateur and Driving Club Races.

The Management reserves the right to declare two starters a walkover. When only two start they may contest for the entrance money paid in, divided 66 2-3 per cent. to the first and 33 1-3 per cent. to the second horse. A horse distancing the field shall be entitled to first and fourth money only and in no other case will a horse be entitled to more than one money.

The Management reserves the right to change the hour and day of any race, except when it becomes necessary to antedate a race, in which instance the nominators will receive three days' notice by mail to address of entry.

The right reserved to reject any or all entries and declare off or postpone any or all races on account of weather or other sufficient cause.

Entries not declared out by 5 o'clock p. m. the day preceding the race shall be required to start and declarations must be in writing and made at the office of the Secretary at the track.

The Management reserves the right to start any heat after the fourth score, regardless of the position of the horses.

All Stakes are guaranteed by the Panama-Pacific International Exposition for the amount offered and are for the amount offered only.

Records made against time, i.e., breeders' records, and records made in a losing race, shall not be a bar to class eligibility.

Any horse that started in 1914 without improving its record, equaling its record and not winning a race, shall be entitled to one second.

The owner hereby releases the Panama-Pacific International Exposition from all liability of every kind and character on account of loss, damage or injury to horses or other property said owner may have on said Exposition grounds; and further agrees to abide by all the rules of the said Exposition, especially as to the use of track for working out as well as for racing, use of stalls, paddock, wearing of colors, uniforms, numbers and general conduct of all employees.

CONDITIONS FOR $20,000 STAKES—FINAL CLOSING DATE JUNE 1st, 1915.

SUMMER MEETING

No. 17—2:10 CLASS TROTTING.....$20,000
No. 33—2:06 CLASS PACING $20,000

FALL MEETING

No. 2—2:10 CLASS TROTTING $20,000
No. 39—2:06 CLASS PACING $20,000

ENTRIES MADE JUNE 1, 1915, $1000 TO START.

Horses to be named with entry. Entrance fee to accompany nomination. Horses must be eligible on Jan. 1, 1915, to stakes in which they are entered.

Stakes divided $5000 to the first heat, $5000 to the second heat, $5000 to the third heat and $5000 according to rank in summary. Moneys divided 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. $20,000 Stakes mile heats, 3 in 5. No race longer than five heats, and moneys in races not decided before the fifth heat will be divided according to rank in the summary at the termination of the fifth heat.

A horse with a record shall be allowed one second for each year, if raced, in which it fails to equal or reduce its record or win a race, if same is claimed by the nominator when making the entry.

Time allowances according to National Trotting Association rules.

(STAKES GUARANTEED BY THE PANAMA-PACIFIC EXPOSITION)

Members of National Trotting Association and American Trotting Association. National Trotting Association rules to govern.

For entry blanks and further particulars, address

F. W. KELLEY, Secretary Race Meetings,
Live Stock Department, Exposition Grounds, San Francisco, Cal.

Derbertha Bells



NO. 60907 A. T. R. RULE 1.

DERBERTHA BELLS, foaled 1911, stands 15.3, weighs 1200 pounds, and is of magnificent conformation, style, trotting action and color; being a solid dark bay or brown with splendid mane and tail, massive well-formed limbs and feet, beautiful neck and head, fine, well set ear and eye as kindly as a fawn's and as courageous as a lion's. His breeding can only be hinted at here as he traces 20 times to Hambletonian 10—5 through Electioneer, 5 through George Wilkes, 4 through Strathmore and 4 through Abdallah 15 (the big four of the sons of Hambletonian), and twice through his daughters. This breeding is perfectly balanced by 18 crosses to Mamb. Chief 11—5 of these through his greatest son Mamb. Patchen 58 (leading progenitor of the dams of trotting sires), backed up by 2 crosses to Pilot Jr. 12, 4 to Black Hawk 5, 4 to Imp. Trustee and crosses to such other famous broodmare sires as American Star, The Moor, A. W. Richmond, Williamson's Belmont, etc.

I challenge any man to name a stallion with a broodmare inheritance approaching that of Derbertha Bells,—5 crosses to Green Mountain Maid (dam of 9 and Electioneer), 3 to Alma Mater (dam of 8 and 7 sires, including Alcyone and Alcantara), and 1 each to Miss Russell (dam of 7, including Maud S. 2:08¾ and 6 sires, including Nutwood), Dolly (dam of 4 and 5 sires, including Director, Onward and Thorndale), Beautiful Bells (dam of 11, including 4 world's champions and 10 sires) and Minnehaha (dam of 8 and 6 sires). These are pre-eminently the greatest mares of history in point of number of descendants in the standard list, besides 2 crosses to Bertha, the only mare with 2 in 2:04½, 5 in 2:10 and 13 in the list. Counting duplicates this pedigree contains the blood of 20 mares with an average of 9 performers each, and of the 14 mares appearing in the pedigree of two or more 2:10 trotters in 1910 this pedigree contains 8.

His disposition and deportment are in perfect harmony with his superlative breeding and conformation, all that could be desired. I own a yearling filly by him that stamps him as a sire of the first rank, and I invite the most critical inspection both of him and his get. He will be allowed a few choice mares at $25.00 the season with usual return privilege. Tabulated pedigree upon request.

J. W. PENDLETON, Owner,
1601 Seminary Ave., OAKLAND, CAL.



EXPRESSIVE MAC 2:25 1-2

A. T. R No. 11513 — Cal. Cert. No. 1041.

Clara Mac 2:04½ Sire of **Vera Hal 2:05**

Only stallion in California to sire a new 2:05 performer in 1914, and one of three stallions in U. S. to sire two new ones in 2:05 that season.

Also sire of Madam Mac (4) 2:10¼, trial 2:07; Eddy Mac (3) 2:29½, trial 2:13; Nellie Mac, trial 2:18 trotting, good for 2:10 this year, and numerous others with fast trials. In four show classes at Fresno his colts won three firsts, one second.

Son of McKINNEY 2:11¼ and the great brood mare EXPRESSIVE 2:12½ by ELECTIONEER 125. Ideal in color, size and conformation—seal brown, height 16½ hands, weight 1275 pounds. Permanently in the stud at my ranch three miles south of Selma, at $25 the season, usual return privilege, or $35 to insure. Good pasture for mares at $2 per month and best of care given. No responsibility assumed for accidents or escapes. Address for all particulars

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First Dam **Chord** 2:27, great brood mare, by **Wilkes Boy** 2:24½, sire of the dams of 11 in 2:10

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JOE PATCHEN II 2:03¼.....C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton
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MAHOMET WATTS 2:08¼....C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton
ONWARD McGREGOR (3) 2:23¼..B. Webster, Pleasanton
PETER McKLYO (3) 2:12½.....Jas. Thompson, San Jose
PRINCE ANSEL (2) 2:20½.....Harry Dowling, Woodland
ROBERT BINGEN 2:11¼.....Harry Dowling, Woodland
THE PROOF (2) 2:29¾....Keefer & Spencer, Pleasanton
VERNON McKINNEY 2:01½..C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton
WILBUR LOU (3) 2:10¼.....Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet
ZOMBLACK (2) 2:26.....C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton

THE SALE OF DON PRONTO to Australian parties is one more bit of convincing evidence of the efficiency of the advertising service of the Breeder and Sportsman, which serves the field of the western horseman as does no other publication. Of the numerous American bred trotters that have gone to the lands on the other side of the world in the years since the light harness horse achieved popularity in those countries, the interest of the buyers has been aroused through information gleaned from our columns in practically every instance. This ought to mean "a plenty" to you, Mr. Horseman, without further emphasis on our part.

LAST CALL FOR THE FAIR BILL.

The legislature re-convenes on Monday next at Sacramento and the fate of the district fair bill will not long remain unknown, as it is probable that it will come up for consideration during the earlier sittings of both branches of our governing body.

During the few weeks last passed we have reviewed the local conditions so repeatedly and fully that there remains little for us to say at this time that is both new and pertinent. We cannot resist the temptation, however, to make one last call upon all parties interested in the bill to unite in its support and to make personal representations to their members of the legislature urging an early consideration and enactment of the same as it now stands. The arrangement of all California fairs and race meetings is hanging fire pending its passage or failure, and there is a great deal at stake.

During the most recent racing seasons in California, operations have been gradually curtailed until the point has been reached where it is almost impossible to raise, train and race horses locally at a profit—this in a state from which have gone forth at one time and another the champion trotters of all ages and sexes, a state that is pre-eminently adapted by nature for the successful production of extreme speed and the highest degree of individual excellence. Betting was abolished because it was so conducted that it created a general situation absolutely untenable; district fairs fell by the wayside and the appropriations were discontinued because the fairs were not properly managed and the state's money was not disseminated in the intended channels. These are hard things to say, and they have proven stumbling blocks in the path of the movement to revive the fairs on the correct basis.

There is but one way that they can come back—by the establishment of only a few, and by these original few being made unqualified successes from every standpoint. The directors of the exhibitions must play fair with the state in disbursing its money; exhibitors must respond by extending generous patronage to the classes provided for them; horsemen must enter freely in the speed contests and furnish clean, sharp racing; most important of all, the public must set the seal of approval upon each individual enterprise by according it the deserved and necessary attendance.

That these things will all be brought about by the passing of the fair bill is our firm belief. The fairs are needed by all classes of people—demanded. That they will succeed, managed properly, is inevitable, nor can it be gainsaid that an original successful few will lead directly to an ultimate successful many. It all hangs upon what the legislature does now—and the action of the legislature depends upon what you do. A bit of concerted energy will lead us from the present "slough of despond" to a firmly established prosperity. If you haven't transmitted to your senator and representative your desires in this matter, do so today. Tomorrow may be too late.

UNFAIR DISCRIMINATION.

Recent discussion locally regarding the movement to establish betless thoroughbred racing in California has brought up the matter of wagering on other contests of all kinds that goes on openly and absolutely without restriction. Bets can be laid in San Francisco with ease on anything you care to mention without danger of interference, except horseracing, and to lay a wager on a horse race you must seek an illegal handbook and take a chance of arrest and the incidental penalty.

In the current issue of the Breeders' Journal the same matter was most ably covered by Tedd H. Kline and we can do no better than to reproduce the same with thanks to the writer:

"Cultured people may gamble and drink to their heart's content on special occasions and the police pay no attention to them. The other day in Boston, the police arrested some fifty men caught doing some petty gambling in a pool-room on Broadway, South Boston. Two days before, Yale and Harvard had played a great game of foot-ball in New Haven. The amount of illegal gambling consequent upon it, if reports be true, was incomparably greater and more reprehensible than that carried on in the Boston pool-room. Yet neither police nor university presidents made the least sign of protest."

The above paragraph is taken from a most virile sermon preached by the Reverend James Sheerin, of St. Matthews Episcopal Church, Boston, on the last Sunday in November, 1914.

Later Mr. Henry L. Allen, that most finished writer, in commenting on this sermon, wrote as follows:

"Anyone who takes note at all of the enormous gambling that is done in all larger cities, on the result of elections, football, baseball and numerous other things, cannot but wonder why the authorities generally should make speculating on horse races the one form of gambling to regard as criminal."

For the benefit of all who, like Mr. Allen, wonder why the authorities make speculating on horse races the one form of gambling to regard as criminal, I want to say with a positive knowledge that many of our very good friends of The Fourth Estate, and especially that branch of the F. E. known as the sporting department, have so pulled the wool over the eyes of the people and the authorities everywhere that they believe every other sport but horse racing has sprouted a set of wings, that there is practically no gambling on anything at all any place but on horse races, either at the tracks of the respective cities where racing is held or in the despised handbooks, throughout the United States.

I am not prepared to say how squarely and honestly all the other games are played, besides horse racing, but I am prepared to say something about the enormous gambling activities on baseball, football, elections, bowling, prize-fighting and billiard matches that furnish the season around sporting interest.

The first observations I made along this particular line was during my residence in Grand Rapids when I was associated with the Furniture City Driving Club there. As assistant secretary and publicity man of that organization I made it my business to hustle pretty actively among the sporting fraternity. I could tell (and I can tell now) where every handbook was located in that city. I knew the bookmakers, had a personal acquaintance with many of their patrons, and knew in round numbers just how much money was bet each day in the year on whatever sporting events were taking place.

In Grand Rapids, some of the most clever gentlemen in the city wagered thousands of dollars every month of the baseball season on the result of the games. One young man whom I knew well, the head of a large mercantile house there, was the heaviest bettor of them all. In fact great numbers used to follow him in and wagered as he did. He was a great church and club member, a high society man and greatly respected by all. His friends all knew he gambled, the police department, which was also his friend, knew he gambled extensively and knew where he placed his money, but that made no difference to them. The sporting editors of the three Grand Rapids papers knew this also but winked the other eye, and said, "We cannot afford to interfere with his personal liberty."

The point I am making is this: It is no crime to wager but it is a crime that so many daily papers everywhere should wink at everything except betting on the horse races. As in the case of Chicago which at the present time is quite stirred up because of an expose a certain daily recently made of the hand-books throughout the city, which takes bets on the races at the winter running tracks. A fine thing this. It takes the people's mind off the Board of Trade, bucket shops, poverty, underpaid department store girls and other things too numerous to mention. Such a crusade also apparently makes good with the paper's readers who thrive on this anti-gambling crusade stuff.

However, this paper, or any other paper for that matter, would not care or dare to print the truth about the enormous amount of money that changes hands every day during the baseball season. It does not care to say anything about the snug fortunes that are bet on the outcome of the great fall football games. It does not care to say anything about the mint of money that goes on the big bowling tournaments every winter. It does not care to say anything about these items, but if the sporting editors were on the square they would print these stories about the betting angle of other sports besides horse racing and would tell their readers just where they could place their bets, if they wanted to.

But your average sporting editor is not built that way. Instead he hushes up every item concerning gambling on any other events and plays up to the limit the sepeculation news attached to horse racing. Also he hushes up any scandal that may become attached to other sports, except horse racing. For that down-trodden sport, he wears his eyes out looking for a piece of turf rottenness to show up and when he finds it, lo! a two column scare head goes over the whole article, so that his readers may see what a putrid business racing horses is.

"What killed thoroughbred racing in the once great racing centers?" is a question still asked by many. I can tell you. The daily newspapers killed racing because in the halcyon days if one picked up a daily paper, looking for turf news, he never found but two head-lines, towit: "Bookies Given a Drubbing" or "Public Routs the Bookies." And there you are.

When I came to Cleveland, in the summer of 1912, to take up the same duties for the Cleveland association that I had assumed at Grand Rapids, the first man I became acquainted with was the sporting editor of the Cleveland Leader and almost the first subject we talked upon was race track betting. I told this gentleman of the conditions at Grand Rapids and asked him if things were not about the same in Cleveland. I almost insulted him, and he pooh poohed the idea that gambling to any great extent was going on in Cleveland upon baseball, football, bowling, billiards or any other sport. I replied that I would have to convince myself first that he was right before I finally dismissed the discussion with him.

I have now been a resident of Cleveland for three years or nearly so, and if there is a city in the United States where more gambling goes on, on every other sport besides horse racing, I want to know where it is located.

If the daily newspapers of Cleveland are to be believed, cigar stores, buffets, hotel lobbies, private rooms in office buildings and other rendezvous too numerous to mention are the abodes of the hand-book men of the Sixth City and every day, so it is whispered, thousands of dollars change hands on the results of baseball games, football games, automobile races, bowling tournaments and billiard matches, as the case may be and in season. But the daily papers never demand that the authorities stop this enormous speculation which is positively known to occur.

No down and outers make these wagers, either. Polished, refined gentlemen. Business men of all sorts, professional men galore. Dozens, even hundreds of the Sixth City's best citizens, both men and women, make daily wagers and glory in them.

It is rank discrimination, that's what it is, and until an indignant public, headed by the horsemen, makes a consistent effort to stop it, just so long will the Fourth Estate continue to hammer the racing game everywhere and every time it gets a chance.

Who is back of the other sports I have mentioned? Generally speaking, a lot of champagne soaked promoters, whose God is the silver dollar and who have bullied or bought their way into the public press by an unlimited flow of golden coin and passes.

Who is back of the great sport of horse racing? Generally speaking, America's finest men and women. Our greatest financiers, business builders, professional men of all kinds, who play the racing game for the love of it, who already have made their money and who love the game as a sport.

It is this legion of America's finest flower and chivalry that the Fourth Estate has consistently fought, bombarded and misrepresented until the breath of life in them is nearly extinct. But a great reversal of form is coming and when it does our very good friends of the Fourth Estate will be, to use a race track expression, "left at the post."

Evidence of True Greatness

Much has been written in turf papers in the three or four seasons last passed of the performances of the get of Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, and of the very limited opportunities for proving his real merit that fell to the lot of the son of Dexter Prince and Woodflower by Ansel prior to his purchase in 1912 by John W. Considine. Considerable emphasis has been laid upon the latter topic, and statements made concerning the very small number of foals he has begotten have in some quarters met with more or less skepticism. The fact remains, however, that very few people—even those who concede that he has had no chance in years gone by—appreciate fully the results accomplished in the face of most discouraging conditions.

Talking over this very matter at Pleasanton recently with Charley Spencer, who knows the family better, perhaps, than anyone else, the writer was a bit surprised himself at some of the statements made by the former Woodland Stock Farm trainer, and received information previously lacking or taken only as "hearsay" that instilled a new and deeper respect for Prince Ansel and his get. Thanks to the kindness of Mr. Spencer and to his interest in Prince Ansel, some statistics of the case were obtained from records in his possession and the case of the Woodland Stock Farm premier can now be presented in a truly convincing manner that admits of no sidestepping, as the matter presented covers his whole connection with the farm while under Mr. Brown's ownership. The following is a roster of all mares owned at the farm that foaled to the cover of Prince Ansel prior to the season of 1912, the comments made concerning foals being taken from memoranda made at various times by Mr. Spencer:

Mares Foaling in 1899—1.

Chamois by Shamrock—Bay filly, died as yearling.

Mares Foaling in 1900—None.

Mares Foaling in 1901—3.

Chamois—Black filly Anselois, never broken, dam of Nusta 2:23¼.

Francisca by Almont 33—Chestnut filly, died as weanling.

Nosegay by Langton—Chestnut colt Prince Gay, trial 2:12, last quarter :31, died, could have beaten 2:10 that year.

Mares Foaling in 1902—2.

Majella B. by Nushagak—Chestnut filly, died as suckling.

Mamie Martin by Nushagak—Bay filly Princess Mamie 2:27½, trial 2:18, last quarter :31, broke down; brood mare at Woodland Stock Farm.

Mares Foaling in 1903—None.

Mares Foaling in 1904—3.

Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby—Bay filly Bonnie Princess 2:25½, trial 2:07½ in 1913.

Lottie Whippleton 2:15 by San Diego—Brown colt Prince Lot 2:07¾.

Mamie Martin—Bay colt Harold M. trial 2:23, last quarter :33, went lame from splint.

Mares Foaling in 1905—6.

Bonnie Derby—Bay colt, never trained.

Bonnie by Berlin—Bay filly, never trained.

Everette by Nephew—Bay colt Wesos 2:12¼, timed in race at Marysville in 2:09½.

Majella B.—Bay filly Angella 2:27¾, trial to cart 2:16, last half 1:05.

Nosegay—Bay filly Gay Princess, brood mare.

Viola by Gen. Benton—Bay filly Ansevola trial 2:22, dam of Yolo King trial (2) 2:21, now in the training stable of Woodland Stock Farm.

Mares Foaling in 1906—5.

Bonnie Derby—Bay colt, never trained.

Everette—Chestnut colt, saddle horse.

Josie D. by Nutwood Wilkes—Bay filly trial 2:20, ninety days work.

Majella B.—Bay filly Decoratia, unbroken, injured as weanling, brood mare, first foal Mona Ansel trial 2:20½ half-mile track, ninety days work.

Serpolo by Mendocino—Gray filly, trial 2:36 as a two-year-old.

Mares Foaling in 1907—3.

Daisy B. by Waldstein—Bay filly Susie Miller, very fast, dam of John Malcolm (2) 2:11½.

Majella B.—Brown filly Frances C. (3) 2:24¼, matinee record 2:19.

Viola—Bay filly, never trained.

Mares Foaling in 1908—6.

Daisy B.—Bay colt, very fast, went wrong.

Everette—Bay filly, paralyzed, recovered, brood mare.

Josie D.—Chestnut colt Joseph D., trial (2) 2:18, last half in 1:07.

Lauress by Mendocino—Chestnut filly Laura Rogers (2) 2:18¼, (5) 2:11¼, separately timed in a race at Peoria, Ill., in 2:06½.

Majella B.—Bay filly Georgia Kalos 2:24, trial (3) 2:20.

Serpolo—Gray colt, trial (2) 2:20, half in 1:05½.

Mares Foaling in 1909—5.

Bonnie Derby—Bay filly Bonnie Ansel, trial 2:07¼, Alex Brown's entry for 2:10 trot, June meeting P.-P. I. E.

Everette—Bay filly, untrained.

Josie D.—Bay filly, Josie Ansel, separately timed in race in 2:13½ as three-year-old, could 2:10, taken sick and could not start in stakes; now in the training stable of Woodland Stock Farm.

Serpolo—Gray filly, trial (2) half in 1:13¾.

Steina by Steinway—Chestnut filly, died as weanling.

Mares Foaling in 1910—4.

Arista by Nushagak—Bay filly Arista Ansel (2) 2:18¼, can beat 2:10, now in the training stable of Keefer & Spencer.

Lottie Whippleton—Brown filly Lottie Ansel (2) 2:14¼.

Lauress—Chestnut filly Laura Ansel, trial (2) 2:20.

Serpolo—Foal died.

Mares Foaling in 1911—6.

Arista—Brown colt, could trot 2:30 clip as yearling when sold.

Everette—Bay filly, fast natural trotter, untrained.

Josie D.—Chestnut colt, Joseph Ansel (3) 2:12¾.

Lauress—Chestnut colt, dead.

Nutflower—Bay colt, trial 2:16¼, last quarter :32¼ in 1914, will beat 2:10.

Steina—Bay filly Tiena, brood mare.

Here is ample and absolute proof of the meagerness of Prince Ansel's past opportunities for showing his real qualities as a sire, and it requires but a scant inspection of the foregoing for one to become convinced of the true merits indicated thereby. From a total of 44 foals born at his home in a period covering over a decade, six of whom died before reaching an age permitting even breaking, eleven have achieved records, five have beaten 2:10 in races or public trials, one holds the coast record for two-year-old trotting fillies, other season records are theirs, and two have become producing brood mares, one the dam of a world's champion.

Aside from the farm's own matrons, very few mares owned by other parties were mated to him in this period and their offspring does not exceed a score—Mr. Spencer sets ten or twelve as a safe figure—and from these have come three trotters, Ima Dudley 2:27½ (foaled in 1907, bred by E. D. Dudley), Dorothy Ansel (2) 2:20 (foaled 1908, bred by C. B. Bigelow) and Adansel (2) 2:29½, (3) 2:14½ (foaled in 1908, died in 1914, bred by M. C. Keefer). With thirty-eight foals living to training age at the farm and estimating those owned by outside parties at twelve, Prince Ansel would have a total of fifty sons and daughters four years old and over in 1915—fourteen of them in the list, eleven of which are trotters. Many stallions have had as many foals as this live to racing age from a single season's crop, and a few very simple comparisons and deductions form the basis for Prince Ansel's claim to genuine greatness. Much might be written further, but for the time we leave the figures to make their own arguments, and repeat that Prince Ansel's opportunities as a sire are all in the present and future.

To Go East in 1915

Present indications point to a larger representation on the Grand Circuit and other eastern tracks this year on the part of California horsemen than for some seasons past, as a number of stables are being fitted with the expressed intention of making a trip across the big divide after the June meeting of the P.-P. I. E. Charley DeRyder, with the horses of R. J. MacKenzie and one or two other patrons, has a number of both young and aged performers that are fit to go up against almost any kind of company; a portion of the Bailey and Childs stables can find their best opportunities on eastern tracks; Will Durfee has not yet declared his plans but friends "in the know" would not be surprised at his announcement of another trek across the plains; Henry Smith, Bud Davis and Jake Brolliar are contemplating entering through the Michigan Short Ship or some other mid-western circuit, as are a few other owners and trainers from this section, and I. L. Borden of this city has announced the intention of sending Albaloma 2:08¼, Baby Doll 2:10¼ and perhaps others of his stable, now at San Jose being prepped by Johnny Quinn, to try conclusions with the cracks of the big line.

"You know," remarked Mr. Borden in a recent conversation, "the earning capacities of a really good horse are so curtailed by local conditions that an owner does well to make expense money even on a winning campaign. In 1914, for instance, aside from the meeting at Phoenix, Albaloma had but five starts at four points in California, all of which he won, earning some $2200 in his home state, while at the Arizona fair he demonstrated his capacity to race in 2:05 and forced Maymack to trot to a world's record to beat him. This year, aside from the meetings here at the exposition, his number of starts in California would probably be cut to two or three, for only moderate purses, so I can see no possible chance to make a fitting campaign with him here, as he is a horse that has always responded well to plenty of hard work. Really, the fellow has earned his right to a trip down the larger circuits, and if he trains on in his usual form I will undoubtedly give him a chance to show people just what kind of a horse he is. Baby Doll is a high class mare and at present shows no bad effects from her previous troubles, and as she has proven herself a 2:07 trotter I believe she can earn money in her class east or west. One or two others may or may not do to go east, and such horses now in training as show racing promise of average merit will be raced here at home; I expect, of course, to have starters in the local futurities, as usual.

"I am aware of the fact that many horsemen have remarked, 'What a shame Borden didn't hold over Albaloma for the exposition trots,' and all I have to say is that if my foresight had been as good as their hindsight I might possibly have done so—perhaps not. At the beginning of the season of 1914 he had a record of 2:09, so that his eligibility would have been contingent upon getting him beaten or failing to reduce his record—matters which Messrs. DeRyder and McDonald very cheerfully attended to and which would have been productive of the result recommended by other parties had his starts been confined to the Phoenix meeting. It has been my practice, however, to race a horse when he will do to race and to win every race I can. I have had the satisfaction of seeing this lad in three good honest campaigns, in which he was always trying and always gave a good account of himself. Carried over, he might or might not have made a stake trotter as a six-year-old. Present indications, of course, are favorable, but—" Mr. Borden smiled a wry little smile before he continued—"about a quarter of a million people went through the turnstiles at the exposition on opening day. In the light of past experience I would say that that figure bears a close relation to the number of things that can happen to any horse between now and June twelfth, any one of which would be fatal to the chances for a winning performance. At that I may be underestimating things a few thousand, and I am very well satisfied with Albaloma's past record. Neither the services of the strategy board nor the resort to the excuse book have been necessary so far, and I will go on with him just so long as he continues to do as he has done—respond to every reasonable demand made of him.

"There is another side to the matter, too," continued the Victoria Island "farmer" in a less serious vein. "Do you recall the reasons set forth by General Gordon for his advance into Pennsylvania during the civil war? According to his often expressed ideas he had no hope or intentions of achieving glory or victory, but made his invasion prompted solely by his highly developed southern sense of gentlemanly obligation—'social reciprocity,' I believe he put it. Having been visited by his northern neighbors for the major portion of the conflict he felt in honor bound to return their courtesies and scrapped his way some distance into northern territory before the end came. His original visit was somewhat abruptly and rudely curtailed, but in the years to come the old General played a prominent part in cementing the good feeling that now exists between the once warring sections.

"Now the same reasons that prompted him to invade the north play some part in prompting an 'eastern invasion' on my part at this time. We expect many of our eastern friends out with their stables at the exposition meetings, and perhaps we Californians can do something to induce more of them to come out by observing the 'social proprieties' of the case and paying them a visit during the summer. With other local men I have taken a great interest in the success of the big trots and have urged the attendance of all good stables from ocean to ocean. To show that I believe that horses can be shipped here and raced without inconvenience I will endeavor to do my share by making a campaign in the 'native haunts' of some of the horses and horsemen for whose attendance we are most eager. I will have the company of other Californians, and we will endeavor to furnish enough competition that they will have to come on back west with us for the final argument as to which horses are the best.

"Of course," he concluded with another smile, "they may 'Gettysburg me' as they did the old General, but with an even break in the racing luck the boys that do it will know they have been in a horse race, and if my trip will be productive of a greater attendance at our exposition meetings and a more cordial feeling between horsemen east and west it will not have been entirely fruitless, even if devoid of financial profit."

DRAFT HORSE BREEDERS' SALE.

The first annual sale of pure bred draft stock, held on Wednesday of last week at the University Farm at Davis under the management of the California Draft Horse Breeders' Association, attracted a representative crowd of heavy horse fanciers from various quarters of the state and the prices ruled at figures that stamp the event as a success. Practically all the horses led in for Auctioneer Wm. Higginbottom to dispose of carried reserve, which in almost every case was generously exceeded, and almost every horse catalogued was profitably disposed of.

Through the operations of this initial sale the value of such an event has been fully established and it will become an annual fixture on the "horse calendar" in California. The principal sales were as follows:

Imp. Belgian stallion Noirhat Docteur 4050 (10), J. Elmo Montgomery, Davis	$ 300
Belgian stallion Hamilton C. 6415 (5), M. & J. Williams, Concord	685
Belgian stallion California Chief 6414 (6), C. Harris, San Francisco	600
Belgian stallion Nebraska Chief 4516 (6), W. Fine. Millville	300
Belgian stallion West's California Chief (1), Del Greive, Davis	100
Belgian mare Christine, in foal (3), Del Greive, Davis	155
Belgian filly Chrystabel (1), J. S. Gibson Co., Williams	250
Shire stallion Salvador Forest King 13385 (3), E. W. Westgate, Rio Vista	1000
Shire mare Salvador Baroness 9236 (8) and foal, John McCormack, Rio Vista	475
Shire filly Salvador Rose 14530 (2), Dr. C. M. Faris, Sacramento	195
Percheron mare Adalaide 100393 (3), Wm. McLaughlin, Emeryville	290
Percheron mare Phoebe 100389 (3), Wm. McLaughlin, Emeryville	290
Percheron stallion Pago 71435 (6), C. Harris, San Francisco	500
Imp. Percheron stallion Gallipali 59913 (9), Dr. C. M. Faris, Sacramento	550
Percheron stallion Chico (4), A. Oure, R. R. 5, Sacramento	300

Only a few weeks until entries close for the class races at the exposition—April 1. See the full program and conditions on another page of this paper.

DON PRONTO 2:02¼ GOES TO AUSTRALIA.

Telegrams from W. G. Durfee early in the week requested friends at this end of the line to look out for the arrival of Don Pronto 2:02¼, as the great pacer was en route for Australia via this port, and on Tuesday night the Don arrived on board the Aroline of the Independent line, accompanied by Wm. Green. They cleared from San Pedro about midnight Sunday night and had a very rough trip, coming between the heads here some sixteen hours behind the customary schedule. Pronto occupied a "commanding position" in an especially constructed stall on the upper deck, protected by well battened canvas from the weather, and though the waves broke over his "cabin" in the heavy seas he took it all as a matter of course and came through in excellent condition. By an oversight on the part of the steamship people no feed was loaded for him, and he ate the entire supply of carrots, etc., that the galley had to offer. At that he unloaded Wednesday morning chipper as could be and was comfortably quartered temporarily at the City Front Stables on Jackson street.

It was the original intention for the Don to begin his real sea voyage Wednesday on board the Hinds-Rolph steamship Maitai, but the delay of the Aroline cut the time required for the administering of the mallein test and the completion of the necessary veterinary inspection, so the lad will have to remain here for some days awaiting another boat. In the meantime he will get his daily exercise and be kept in the best of shape.

The Don's new owners are Chisholm & Co., a Sydney firm of harness horse fanciers, and the deal with Mr. Durfee was consummated by cable as a result of the advertisement carried in the Breeder and Sportsman, which is the medium through which Australia and New Zealand make most of their purchases of American light harness horses. While the owners' intentions are not known, it is very probable that the Don will be raced a bit before his retirement to the stud, as there are many fast miles yet under his belt. As a sire he should prove of great value in improving the breed of trotters in Australia, as he comes from the most successful families in America. He is by The Director General (son of Director 2:17 and Winifred by William L., second dam a daughter of Mambrino King, etc.) and is the fastest of the eight performers by that sire that have raced to records faster than 2:10, four of them in 2:05 or better.

Don Pronto's dam is Captain Barnette's great broodmare Silurian 2:25½ by Wilton 2:19¼, son of George Wilkes 2:22 and sire of nine and the dams of twelve in the 2:10 list, of whom Don Pronto is the fastest. To the cover of Moko, Silurian produced Miss Queeley (2) 2:26¾, and Manrico (3) 2:07¼, winner of the Kentucky futurity in 1912, holder of the world's trotting record for the fastest sixth heat in a race, and now established in the stud at the great Walnut Hall Farm in Kentucky. The Don's second dam is Silhouette (dam of four trotters, one sire, and grandam of six performers including the other great futurity winner Siliko 2:11¼) by Hambrino 2:21¼, sire of one and the dams of seven in 2:10 including Hawthorne 2:06¼; third dam Silverlock (dam of three trotters, etc.) by Mambrino Time, etc.

While it is a matter of regret that the game black horse could not remain in California where he has always been most popular, his exportation to Australia is a matter for self-congratulation on the part of California horsemen, as there is no doubt that he will make good most emphatically in his new home and thereby do much to increase the respect and demand for California horses in the antipodes. California and Mr. Durfee are "shy" one mighty good free-for-aller, and Australia and Messrs. Chisholm & Co. are ahead one brand new race horse of A-No. 1 caliber and a prospective great sire.

Will Green, well known on American tracks on both sides of the big divide, came up from Los Angeles with the Don, will look after him during his lay over in this city, and accompany him on the long journey to Australia, where he may or may not decide to remain for a time. Billy came into port after the stormy coastwise trip a bit empty in the carrying regions and a trifle pale about the gills, but nevertheless looking forward cheerily to the prospect of another tussle with old kid seasickness. The Don made the better passage of the two on the first leg of the journey, but Billy claims that he will find his sea legs quicker the next time out and that both of them will land at Sydney right side up with care and ready for whatever turns up.

Virginia Barnette (3) 2:08¼ came very nearly "getting hers" a few days ago at Los Angeles in a manner that shows just what risks of heart failure the owner of a high class trotter runs. She had been jogged to pole with Esperanza (3) 2:09—and incidentally the wireless reports from Angeltown are warm in lauding this pair as a team hitch—and while being unhooked got away with a line dragging and made a run of several blocks outside the grounds, ending up with a nasty tumble at a manhole. When men from the stable got to her they took her for dead from a short distance, but she was gotten to her feet and her apparent injuries are confined to a hind foot from which the shoe was torn, splintering the hoof somewhat and causing lameness. It is a wonder that she was not much more seriously injured, and it is not believed at present that she will suffer any permanent harm from her escapade.

The June Colt Stake Entries

With the coming of some genuine California sunshine this week the attendance at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition continued to break all previous records and horsemen throughout the coast country began laying definite plans for "lettin' 'em down a notch" weekly from now until the beginning of the June meeting. The enforced planking of the track at the exposition grounds for the holding of the Grand Prix and Vanderbilt Cup auto races, and the postponement of the latter classic of the benzine burning world until March sixth, again gave the track a setback, but the plank will be lifted immediately and Superintendent Maxwell and his crew will lose no time in putting it in shape for its original purpose. Eastern and northwestern horses continue to arrive at local training tracks or are definitely known to be headed this way, and that there will be an unprecedented "gathering of the clans" from June 5 to 19 down by the Golden Gate is certain.



TWINKLING DAN 2:06¼

Entered by Gen. C. C. Watts in the big pacing stakes at the exposition, now in the hands of C. L. DeRyder.

The welcome announcement was made by D. O. Lively early in the week that the exposition track would be available for the holding of matinees by the California and San Francisco Driving Clubs, and these organizations will begin their season's activities quite a bit in advance of the first of the professional programs. Stall room is in readiness and a number of local matinee horses will be quartered in the department of livestock and commence training over the exposition track immediately after the track is again in shape. All present indications point to a bumper entry list on April first for both meetings, which are being given the widest of publicity through the columns of all the leading turf publications. Full programs and conditions appear on our inside front cover, and anyone not receiving entry blanks will please make their wants known promptly. They go in the mails today for all parts of the country.

We have had several inquiries regarding the probable fields in the colt stakes for the June meeting, already closed, and as a matter of general interest we append the list of entries to these events, with the added information that nominators have until June 1 to make declaration as to whether they will race at the trot or pace, in case of transfer the difference in entrance fee being payable or refundable, as the case may be:

SUMMER MEETING.

No. 4, Two Year Olds Trotting, $2000.

I. L. Borden, San Francisco, Cal., b g Alesandra by Barney Barnato, dam Ramona by Prince Robert; rn f Alabama by Barney Barnato, dam Directola by Direct.
S. Christenson, San Francisco, Cal., b c Natalday by Wilbur Lou, dam Ella J. by Bob Mason.
W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles, Cal., ch c by Manrico, dam My Irene S. by Petigru; bl f by Manrico, dam Subito by Steinway; b f by Carlokin, dam Atherine by Patron; b f by Carlokin, dam Alexandria by Bon Voyage.
C. E. Farnum, San Francisco, Cal., ch c by Flosnut, dam by Dillcara.
O. E. Folk, Riverside, Cal., ch c Kidd Tolus by Pactolus, dam Pocahontas by Domineer.
W. I. Higgins, Deer Lodge, Mont., b c Monte Simmons by Del Monte Bond, dam Deer Lodge Maid by Fitzsimmons.
International 1:55 Horse Farm, Minneapolis, Minn., br f Fay Patch by Dazzle Patch, dam Miss Flashlight by Baron Wilkes; b c San F. Patch by Dan Patch, dam Margaret Nash by Directum.
Estate of John C. Kirkpatrick, San Francisco, Cal., br f Lucretia Bond by The Bondsman, dam Lucretia by Nazote.
R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton, Cal., b c Anvilite by Anvil, dam Martha Spy by The Spy.
Chas. R. Marley, Woodland, Cal., bl f The Expense by The Proof, dam Nusta by Nushagak.
A. L. Scott, San Francisco, Cal., b m Lady Bondilon by The Bondsman, dam Weatewater by Sidney Dillon.
F. E. Ward, Los Angeles, Cal., b s by Dr. Wayo, dam Emily W. by Jas. Madison.
Geo. L. Warlow, Fresno, Cal., s f Ludie McKinney by Stanford McKinney, dam Gadsky by Athablo.

No. 22, Two Year Olds Pacing, $2000.

I. L. Borden, San Francisco, Cal., b f Cherry B. by Barney Barnato, dam Ella G. by Hamb. Wilkes.
W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles, Cal., b or ch c by Copa de Oro, dam Leonor McKay by McKinney.
International 1:55 Horse Farm, Minneapolis, Minn., b f Judith Patch by Dazzle Patch, dam Hal Raven by Hal B.; b c Buzzer Patch by Dan Patch, dam Renline by Online.
R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton, Cal., b f by The Bondsman, dam Ava J. by Zombro; b c by The Bondsman, dam Gregan by Steinway; b c by The Bondsman, dam Corinne Neilson by Clarence Wilkes; b f Miss Axworthy Dillon by Axworthy, dam Cleo Dillon by Sidney Dillon; bl c by El Zombro, dam Crabtree's Gift by Hedgewood Boy.
F. B. Stockdale, Fresno, Cal., b f May May by Athasham, dam Guide Aleetice by Calif. Guide.

No. 28, Three Year Olds Trotting, $5000.

I. L. Borden, San Francisco, Cal., b g Dr. Smith by Tom Smith, dam Wanda 2nd by McKinney; b f Little Florence by Barney Barnato, dam Hester McKinney by McKinney.
W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles, Cal., b c Nicola B. by Carlokin, dam Atherine by Patron; bl c by Carlokin, dam My Irene S. by Petigru.
A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo., bl c Peter E. by Gumaer Hal, dam Claudia Chimes by Chimes.
Geo. F. and E. A. Heilbron, Sacramento, Cal., b c Sutter Bill by Lijero, dam Califa by Silver Bow.
Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet, Cal., br f Allie Lou by Kinney Lou, dam Lady Zombro by Zombro.
International 1:55 Horse Farm, Minneapolis, Minn., br s Ned Patch by Dan Patch, dam Miss Flashlight by Baron Wilkes; b s Grant Patch by Dan Patch, dam Rare Flower by Astronomer.
Ed. O. Johnston, Oakland, Cal., b c William Ervis by Copa de Oro, dam Calif. Girl by Zombro.
Mrs. E. K. Livermore, San Francisco, Cal., br g Zomwelyn B. by El Zombro, dam Evelyn B. by Prince Ansel.
R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton, Cal., bl g Gay Zombro by El Zombro, dam Nosegay by Langton; b g Bonquin by Quintell, dam Lilly Young by McKinney; b f by Prince Ansel.
F. J. Ruhstaller, Sacramento, Cal., bl f Tennie Hall by Moko Hall, dam Tennie by Temescal.
A. L. Scott, San Francisco, Cal., b f Lady Ino by Le Voyage, dam Lady Nez by Nutwood Wilkes.
F. B. Stockdale, Fresno, Cal., br f Mayflower by Black Hall, dam S. P. Pointer by Star Pointer.
L. H. Todhunter, Sacramento, Cal., b f Janett Bondsman by The Bondsman, dam Sweet Bow by Bon Voyage.
F. E. Ward, Los Angeles, Cal., b c Freckle Beirne by Beirne Holt, dam Freckle Bird by Red Freckles.
Geo. L. Warlow, Fresno, Cal., b f Tewana by E. G. Diablo, dam Cora Wickersham by Junio.

No. 10, Three Year Olds Pacing, $3000.

I. L. Borden, San Francisco, Cal., ch g Sheldon B. by Barney Barnato, dam Ramona by Prince Robert.
C. E. Farnum, San Francisco, Cal., ch c Parknut by Flosnut, dam Lottie Parks by Cupid; ch c King Dill by Dillcara, dam Grisette by Marengo King.
Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet, Cal., ch c Oro Lou by Kinney Lou, dam Zeta W. by Nutwood Wilkes; ch g Sterling Lou by Kinney Lou, dam Louise Reed by Sterling McKinney.



FLEETA DILLON (2) 2:08¾.

Sterling R. Holt's entry for the $20,000 trots at the P.-P. I. E., in the stable of V. L. Shuler.

Thos. Holmes, San Bernardino, Cal., s c Wandell by Zolock, dam Happy Maid by Happy Prince.
International 1:55 Horse Farm, Minneapolis, Minn., b f Thistle Patch by Dan Patch, dam Thistle Bird by Thistle; b f Agnes Patch by Dan Patch, dam Louise Hersey by Arion.
S. C. Kinney, Bushnell, Neb., b c by Impetuous Devil, dam Lilee Palmer by Norval King.
R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton, Cal., b c by Joe Patchen II, dam Miss Harris by Sidney.

With the departure of the Schwartz stable for Pleasanton last week, San Francisco lost, temporarily, some of her most prominent light harness performers from both the professional and amateur ranks, and Al has the best string of both trotters and pacers that he has ever had at this season. The string has been kept in good shape all winter by jogging and brushing over the Stadium track, and the whole bunch is in excellent condition for making speed and being ready for the June meeting at the exposition. Adolph Ottinger is the principal owner represented, with the tried campaigners Zulu Belle 2:06¼, Dick W. 2:06¼, Copper the Ore 2:10¼ and Agnes Carter (2) 2:20, who has not been raced since her two-year-old form but who is showing most promisingly again. For Jimmy Ryan, Schwartz is giving the prep to the Irish trotter St. Patrick 2:11½ and the old matinee hero Happy Dentist 2:05¾, and for F. Gommet he has Prince McKinney 2:29¼ and his daughter Baby Gommet, a green trotter that demonstrated close to 2:10 ability last season. J. Ginocchio's good pacing mare Homburg Belle 2:12¼ is also included in the stable, which is rounded out by Al's green ones, Ray Alto by Iran Alto, Soreta by San Francisco, Jerry D. by Sidney Howard, and William Tell by Welcome Wilkes.

NOTES and NEWS

Don Pronto 2:02¼ goes to Australia.

The buyers "saw the ad in the Breeder and Sportsman."

Some poor place to advertise, eh Genevieve. All the best ones in that country and New Zealand have been placed by similar proceedings.

Riverside claims the dates of October 5th to 9th inclusive for her fair, the last in the California schedule and following Hanford.

The Horseman and Spirit of the Times Futurity for foals of 1915 will be worth $20,000 as heretofore, but the entrance fee has been reduced to $1.

Albaloma 2:08¼, Baby Doll 2:10¼ and perhaps one or two others of the Borden stable are booked for a trip down the Grand Circuit if all goes well.

Jim Stewart's horses and the lanky James himself arrived back in their accustomed winter quarters at Los Angeles recently and will get ready for another run for the money in 1915.

Jack Villar is riding easy behind his pupils at San Jose, and intends introducing Lady Arabella to the local matinee men when the fun races start. She is good mannered, training fine and can lay 'em down around the course in twelve.

The one best bet for exposition visitors right now is the Canadian building. There never was a display quite like it and our friends across the border have certainly "done themselves proud" in the preparation of their share of the P.-P. I. E.

Captain C. P. McCan writes from Portland that all his horses are in fine shape and that he expects to race a youngster or so this season. He has earned the right to a few good ones and friends will greet their appearance and success with pleasure.

Fred Woodcock has leased the Portland track from Captain McCan and expects to put on a meeting that will draw a good crowd this year, Portland's dates being set for the week of August second. Fred has a pretty good stable, himself.

John Mack 2:12½, by Geo. A. Fuller 2:08¼, dam Ida Purple 2:14½ by Cutting 2:10½, is quartered at Los Angeles in charge of Trainer Kirby. He is entered in the 2:10 trots at the P.-P. I. E. by F. L. McQuilty of Curran, Ill., and will start in some of the class races as well.

Advice under date of February 26th from Acting Manager Grieg bears the unwelcome but not wholly unexpected tidings that the Winnipeg exhibition will not be held this year, but that the board governing it hopes to be able to stage it again in 1916 in greater style than ever before. Here's hoping!

And still that list of stallions advertised in the Breeder and Sportsman continues to grow, the announcement of Peter McKlyo (3) 2:12½ being the new one this week. We do not wish to have the record fail next week, so some good man will please send in his order not later than next Tuesday.

Abe W. Johnson of Irvine, Cal., reports the arrival on February 20 of a nice brown colt by Directum Penn 2:12½ out of Belle Raymon (dam of Don Reginaldo 2:12½, Zombro Belle trial 2:11½, etc.) by Raymon, second dam the great brood mare Gipsey by General Booth, sire of the dam of Delilah 2:06½, etc.

Messrs. Joe Carson and E. J. Rochon have made application to the Dominion authorities to remove their trotters and pacers to the United States and these two crack Canadian stables will probably soon be located at one of our California tracks, as the exposition races are their goal and both have entries in the big stakes.

Wm. Cecil has recently added to his stable at San Jose a three-year-old bay filly by Prince McKinney 2:29¼ (sire of Sweet Princess 2:16½, etc.) out of the matinee pacer Lady San Jose 2:13½ (matinee) by a son of Guy Wilkes. Cecil's other youngsters out of Berta Logan, one by Prince McKinney and the other by Nearest McKinney, are learning fast and Owner H. G. Angevine is more than pleased with them.

Helen Mac, the sister to Clara Mac in the Borden stable, is showing a twenty gait at the trot and will continue to be trained at that way of going if she keeps on coming as fast as she has so far. Being a bit "mixed" at first, after the fashion of her famous sister, Johnny Quinn adorned her with a nice pair of panties of the Indiana variety, but Helen didn't like the way the unaccustomed garments tickled and made a few "Steve Brodies" that caused John to hunt the stable with her and put her through a disrobing act. A bit of weight turned the scale the other way and the stable now has two good Expressive Mac trotting prospects.

The Montana legislature has killed race track betting in the treasure state, principally from the same causes that led to its abolishment elsewhere—too much strong arm work in the wrong quarters.

Mountain Dee (3) 2:24¾ has improved a great deal in appearance and deportment since Ben Walker took him in hand and looks like the making of a high class horse. Ben's other pacer, Kinneysham 2:13¼, is fit and husky and his trotter, Inyo Boy by Oceto, is showing him a bit more whenever called on.

Bessie Custer is working below 2:30 at Los Angeles and Al Whitney promises to hang into her steadily before time for the June trots. She is some trotter, from Los Angeles chatter that reaches this office. It is also reported that buyers continue to offer ten thousand large iron men for Dr. Burns, and that the owners continue to decline such offers with thanks.

George Williams of Los Angeles, known far and wide in the horse world as "Pedigree George," has recently bought the runner Sandy McNabb, a winner at Juarez, and is temporarily a frequenter of the Mexican course across the river from El Paso. It will also be a surprise to the boys to learn that Pedigree annexed a new side partner during the winter in the way of a wife, so the Juarez venture serves also as a honeymoon.

H. B. Thornbury of Los Angeles is adding constantly to his stable of saddle horses headed by the champion Jack Barrymore, is most recent purchases being the five-months-old gelding Carvel and the two-year-old colt Englewood, secured from A. C. Jones of North Middletown, Ky. Mr. Thornbury promises to have one of the finest stables of saddle horses shown at the exposition.

Recent advices from Europe are to the effect that Idolita 2:09¼ was destroyed sometime in January in Germany, although no particulars are available. Idolita had been in Europe ten years and was the most popular and successful American trotter in Germany. He was a California product, having been bred at Palo Alto, and was a son of Mendocino and Edith by George Wilkes, grandam Edith Carr by Clark Chief.

C. D. King, now at San Jose where for the present he is in the employ of John Quinn, recently purchased from C. C. Crippen of that city the black horse Guy Carlton 2:30, full brother to Guy Borden 2:07¼ and the pacer in the present Borden stable, Sir Guy Dillon. Carlton has previously been worked at the trot but King switched him to the pace and he looks better as a racing prospect at that way of going.

I. L. Borden of this city recently purchased from San Jose parties the good brood mare Carrie B. 2:18 and her yearling foal by Tom Smith 2:13¼. This daughter of Alexander Button and Carrie Malone is a well proven speed producer, being the dam of Lovelock 2:05½, Ray O' Light (3) 2:08¼, Ishmael 2:21½ and California Lou (2) 2:27½, and her foal to the cover of Tom Smith should be possessed of considerable whizz. She was bred last year to Iran Alto and is thought to be safe with foal.

The Hercules car entered by Harold Hall in today's Vanderbilt Cup is sponsored by the San Jose sportsman, H. G. Angevine, and was built especially for the event from Hall's own plans and specifications. Hall is an engineer of experience and had such faith in his ability to construct an exceptional engine and car that Mr. Angevine gave him free rein and told him to "go to it." The car has made some great tests and its builder and driver is carrying a whole bundle of local good wishes in his try for speed laurels.

Colonel Jim Thompson made a quick trip to San Jose early in the week and arranged to move his training stable in the near future from the state fair grounds at Sacramento to the driving park at the Santa Clara metropolis. The Colonel will take down quite a string, including L. H. Todhunter's Peter the Great colt, Peter McKlyo (3) 2:12½, that will be in stud service until July 1; Guacho by Nobage, dam Zombelle by Zombro, that was a contender in the local futurities in 1913; Honeyback, three-year-old filly by The Bondsman—Lottie Lynwood, staked and owned by Charles Butters; Sweet Bow 2:17½, winner of the two-year-old trotting division of the Breeders futurity in 1909 and her three-year-old filly Jeannette Bondsman, by The Bondsman; Natal Day, S. Christenson's great two-year-old trotter by Wilbur Lou 2:10¼ and out of the dam of Honey Healey 2:08¼, San Felipe 2:09¼, etc.; Zombrene S., a four-year-old daughter of Zombrene and a Diablo mare, with a trial last year in 2:16¾; Ruby Bond, three-year-old filly by The Bondsman—Dowina by Bon Voyage; Sweet Adena 2:16, by Zombro—Norta K. by Del Norte, and the three yearlings brought back from Kentucky last December—a filly by The Northern Man 2:06½ out of Lilly Young by McKinney; filly by Tregantle 2:09¼ out of Queen by Dictator Wilkes, and the colt Bon Watts by General Watts (3) 2:06¾, dam Pesteria by Bon Voyage, second dam Persia by Allie Wilkes, third dam My Lady by George Wilkes, etc. This is one of the best bred bands ever gathered in any western stable and Genial James promises to develop some of them into genuine trotters.

Jack Tolliver, who has been "ironing 'em off" for the San Jose colony of trainers all winter, is putting in his time working a nice going three-year-old trotter, Bon McKenna by The Bondsman, out of Maranda by McKenna 2:17½. The lad is owned by D. D. Hanks of San Jose and is developing pretty well for Jack.

F. M. Price of San Jose is at the driving park there with the four-year-old bay horse Kinmont by Kinney G. 2:24½, out of Fairmont by Monterey. This is Kinmont's first regular training work, but last year right off the road as a three-year-old he paced the San Jose track in a matinee in 2:35. He is a good sized, well built fellow with a good head and Price thinks he has the making of a profitable horse.

George L. Parker of Portland, one of the horse lovers of the northwest who is working all the time to keep up the game in his country, has turned his three-year-old pacing filly Janice L. P. over to Fred Woodcock to fit for her 1915 engagements and both owner and trainer expect the daughter of Hal B. to give a good account of herself. She was second in the two-year-old pacing division of the Oregon futurity last year in Trainer Flanders' hands, Woodcock winning it with May Day Hal. Mr. Parker also has Helen Mistletoe by Hal B. and the two-year-old pacer Marian A. by Oregon Patch. He expects to be on deck at the exposition trots as a spectator and is boosting the big meetings in his home city for all he is worth—an example that no one will regret following in other localities.

WINNIPEG NOTES.

Unless all signs are misleading, there will be no harness racing in Winnipeg this summer. There will be no exhibition meeting and when this was announced several leading horsemen arranged to send their horses to California. This put the finishing touches to the prospects for the Fort Garry meeting, which is held here in June of each year, and now the Winnepeg Driving Club officials say there will be no matinees during the summer. This leaves the racing in Manitoba to the meets at Portage la Prairie, Brandon, Killarney and a few small fairs. These race meets may also be called off later, for there is some talk of that at the present time.

When it was announced there would be no exhibition races here next summer Mr. Rochon made preliminary arrangements to send The Badger, The Beaver, Alta Dillon and Seneca Boy to California to capture some of the big money hung up there. Then Joe Carson came out with the announcement that he would send College Gent and Strathtell to the same meetings. These horses will be shipped west as soon as the necessary permits have been received and it is more than likely that other horses will follow in the near future.

Recently a number of horses have changed hands in Winnipeg and its immediate vicinity. Some of the principal sales are: R. T. Travis has bought Billy Tempter 2:22¼, that made his record over a half-mile track. Mr. Travis brought him up from the south and expects to race him in the 2:20 class this year.

Joe Carson has sold Lady Verton 2:15¼, by Alverton, to C. Wright of Fort Rouge. R. T. Richards, owner of Molly Darling 2:05¼, has bought Dr. Red, a bay gelding with a mark of 2:09¼, from Joseph McGrath, Elmwood. This horse is extremely fast but has not been raced for two years on account of a slight accident. R. S. Hamilton has taken over the bay gelding De Witt 2:18¼ from the owner for the winter's racing. W. W. French is handling Beautiful Sail 2:24¼, by Mainsheet, for Dr. W. J. Hinman, V. S. Beautiful Sail made her mark as a two-year-old and it was then a world's record for a two-year-old on a half-mile track. As a two-year-old she was sold to R. T. Shelvin, of Buffalo, for $2,900, and while in his possession she stepped in 2:20½ hitched to a wagon.—Canadian Sportsman.

A good many of the western horse buyers who have gone out in the interest of sub-contractors to pick up war steeds for European export have gone broke and others have been financially crippled as a result of over-buying. The buyers have been scouring the country for horses and took nearly everything offered, paying fairly good prices for them. These were shipped to the eastern concentration points, where the foreign inspectors passed upon them. The inspectors were mighty particular about what they got and as a result the rejections were as high as fifty per cent in some cases. One firm in Denver had 1,500 head left on his hands. Some of the rejected animals have been fixed up by the owners and safely passed on a second or third trial, but usually the first rejection stands. One dealer had a shipment of 1,000 horses from Miles City, Montana, to St. Paul. Of these 400 were rejected by the inspectors as unsuited and the dealer still has them on hand. There are large numbers of rejected horses at all the big markets and as there is not much demand for them the loss falls heavily on the buyers who had no contracts but who took a chance at the open field. There is likely to be another warrant to get horses and if this is the case the inspectors will have to pay more money for them. One of the old dealers in Denver has nine months in which to pick up $250,000 worth of war nags for the French and within the past fortnight an Italian buyer has appeared in Denver with the desire to get 400 head of cavalry stock, so something will be doing right along.—Field and Farm.

THE MURPHY STABLE IN WINTER QUARTERS.

Upon a recent visit to Poughkeepsie, N. Y., I found the stable of Thomas W. Murphy wintering splendidly, the horses getting daily jog work over the mile track of Hudson River Driving Park and the adjacent roads, Eugene Murphy and Ned McCarr doing most of the driving. That was prior to the arrival of Directum I 1:58, Margaret Parrish 2:06¼, and a few other celebrities that have recently been added to the stable, the head of the Murphy establishment then being on a scouting tour for prospective stake material for the coming campaign.

The first stable visited was that presided over by the second trainer, McCarr, and, upon entering, I found Lassie McGregor 2:06¼ being given walking exercise upon the barn floor. It will be recalled by readers of the Breeder that the daughter of Jay McGregor 2:07¼ broke down while scoring for the first heat of the Charter Oak Stake last Labor Day, which ended her brilliant turf career. The ailment was a rupture of the suspensory ligament of a hind leg, and, while she now walks sound and the crippled leg seems as straight as its mate, Lassie will doubtless be retired to the stud, it being reported that she will be bred to Peter Volo (3) 2:03½, the three-year-old trotting champion.

The latter will remain in the Murphy stable, as previously announced in the Breeder, and will be mated with a few royally bred mares at a fee of $500. The breeding operations, however, will not be allowed to interfere with the four-year-old turf career of the marvelous son of Peter the Great 2:07¼, and he will be prepared to meet the best in his class during the coming season, and, incidentally, for an attack on The Harvester's record of 2:01. Peter Volo closed his last campaign perfectly sound, is in fine physical condition, and should improve sufficiently over his three-year-old form to enable him to come very close to the stallion record, if he does not beat it a little. A mile in faster time than 2:01 would seem like a big order for a four-year-old, but the colt was, in the opinion of his trainer, able to trot in 2:02 or better last season, so that he will not have to improve so much in order to accomplish the task scheduled for him. Peter has not grown the least bit coarse, as one might have expected he would owing to his having been an overgrown yearling and two-year-old—in fact, his proportions are about perfect, and I would judge that he will not measure over 15.3 hands at maturity.

Second only to Peter Volo in matter of monetary value is Peter Scott 2:07½, son of Peter the Great, for whom Murphy paid $30,000 last season soon after the stallion had won two heats and second money in the M. & M. at Detroit. The Scott horse is a magnificent individual, has size, abundance of substance, a fine disposition, and last, but by no means least, speed. Since he showed a mile in a race at Syracuse, last August, in faster time than 2:05, it is to be expected that he will win a number of the coveted prizes for trotters during the next campaign.

Anna Bradford (3) 2:00¾, by Todd Mac 2:07¾, the world's champion three-year-old pacer, is being put in shape to beat two minutes as a four-year-old, and no one will be surprised if she accomplishes the task, thus becoming the champion pacing mare. She is in splendid condition, but has apparently not taken on any great amount of flesh since closing her 1914 campaign, which, however, was not very wearing on her constitution for the reason that she won all of her races comfortably.

Another world's champion in the string is the filly, Rose Magee (1) 2:19½, who holds the yearling record for pacing fillies. The daughter of The Abbe 2:04 was purchased at auction last fall by Edward Thompson, of Northport, Long Island, and will probably be trained this year with a view to racing her in her three-year-old futurity engagements.

While writing of champions, it has occurred to me that the Murphy stable contained quite a number that hold such honors. For instance, there is U. Forbes (2) 2:12¼, who established the present half-mile track record for yearling trotters in 1913. He is now three, and, while he went slightly amiss last summer, after taking his present record in a winning race at Lexington, Ky., he has entirely recovered from the injury and should trot around 2:05 this season if he stays sound.

Frank Bogash Jr. 1:59¼ is a champion in more ways than one, his name appearing four times in the world's record table, while he is also the fastest harness horse thus far produced by Canada. Frank went suddenly lame last fall, at Lexington, while being warmed up for a race, but he is again as good as new and will be out after the free-for-all purses.

Brighton B. 2:05½, the gelding that surprised many last fall by beating some of the best trotters out, looks better than at any time in his life, and should be able to hold his own with the best in his division. He won the American Horse Breeder Futurity at three, but was generally considered a little soft until he won a hard fought race or two last fall.

One of the greatest disappointments in the Murphy stable of 1914 was the little mare, Lulu Lumine 2:09¼, for whom $12,000 was reported to have been paid by A. H. Cosden, of New York, after she had made a splendid campaign over western tracks. Last season she opened her campaign at Cleveland, where she was defeated by Star Winter 2:05, but she was timed in that race in 2:04¾. Evidently the race was a harder one than she had been prepared to go, for she trained off early and was laid away for a fresh start this season. Whether or not she will make good in her 1915 campaign remains to be seen, but in all probability she will, for she was highly regarded by all who saw her race two years ago. It would seem that a mare capable of trotting in 2:05 should cut considerable figure in the 2:10 classes, provided she does not run up against another trotter of Star Winter's caliber.

Space will not permit of my going into detail regarding the numerous other members of the stable, but herewith is a partial list of those I saw aside from the ones mentioned above:

Trotters—Mirthful 2:06¾; Kentucky Todd (3) 2:08¾; The Temptress 2:08½; Strafford 2:13½; Barbara Overton (2) 2:16½, now five; Polly Overton (2) 2:29¼; Colonel Cochran Jr. 2:14¼; Great Isle, 2:13¼; Peter Worthy, b. c. (3) by Guy Axworthy 2:08¾, dam Lady Caleta 2:15¼, by Peter the Great; Silver Axworthy, ch. c. (3) by Axworthy 2:15½, dam Easter Lilly W. 2:06¾ by Oratorio 2:13, and several other youngsters.

Pacers—Major Ong 2:03½; Tilly Tipton 2:06¼; Irene Beau 2:12¼; Hal S. 2:16¼; Peter Farren, b c. (4) trial 2:03½ at three years; Hedgewood Boy Jr., b. g. (4) by Hedgewood Boy 2:01; Jean, a green mare, that was started once or twice in the Murphy colors last season.—Berwick, in the Horse Breeder.

RAGS 2:09¼ AND THE PAST PERFORMANCE TABLES.

While the Carlokin filly Esperanza is the only three-year-old that ever made a clean sweep of the senior divisions of the coast futurities, there is another member of the Durfee stable whose performances the previous year very nearly rival those of the consistent Berry trotter, the brown gelding Rags, now five years old.

Rags was bred by Will Durfee and has received all his education in the "Durfee school" at Los Angeles, whence have graduated so many of the coast's best performers. Always a big, growthy sort of a colt, he was not started as a two-year-old, but began his career in the public gaze most auspiciously the following season. Late in July, some weeks prior to the first of his stake engagements, he had his first try-out in company in a little neighborhood affair at Los Angeles—the class 2:30, the purse one hundred dollars. After winning the first heat and acquiring a tag of 2:26 to precede the balance of his description — three-year-old brown gelding by Del Coronado 2:09½, dam Atherine 2:16¾ (dam of Copa de Oro 2:01, etc.) by Patron 2:14¼—he was drawn and carried along easily until September sixth, when he straight-heated a field of eight good youngsters, in the Breeders Futurity, trotting the various miles in 2:12½, 2:13¼ and 2:13¼.

At Sacramento on September 16 he duplicated his Santa Rosa performance in the Occident, Miss Gaily and Guacho furnishing the competition and the fastest time being 2:13¼, and four days later in the Stanford met the same pair and others and was returned victor at the end of a lively five-heat duel with the fast but uncertain Hemet Stock Farm entry. The trotting sister to the three-year-old champion pacing gelding, Hemet 2:08¼, won the first heat in 2:14¾ and came back with a second mile right in Rags' time—not ragtime—2:12½. Superior behaviour played a good part in the decision at the windup, the Durfee gelding lasting better than the chestnut daughter of Geo. W. McKinney and lining out the last three heats in 2:13¼, 2:14½, 2:14½, the balance of the original field having been gradually weeded out by the flagman in the first, second and third times out. At Salem on the last day of the month he found the Oregon futurity just like getting money from home with two slow miles on a heavy track.

As a four-year-old, still an overgrown colt, he made only four starts but paid an excellent profit at that. Back at Santa Rosa almost a year to a dot from the date of his first appearance in a real race he trotted second to Allerton in the 2:09 class, forcing the Borden horse to trot to his present record of 2:08¼ in the first heat and repeat in 2:08¾. The final heat being in 2:09, with Vallejo King second and Rags third. In the 2:12 trot at Woodland he met Baby Doll and Merry Mac in a merry little contest, getting his tab of 2:09¼ in the second heat, winning the first and third also in slower time. His most profitable day's work for the season came on September 17 at Sacramento when he annexed the major portion of the five thousand dollar Governor's stake with three miles in 2:12½, 2:13, 2:13¼, the contending horses being Matawan, Nuristo and Mabel Van. This was his final start on his native soil, as his only other engagement was dated for October 1 at Salem, over a heavy track again. Here he met that other son of Almaden D.—Dean Swift 2:08, fastest by record of the season's far western trotting geldings—yielding first position, after a well fought battle in which he finished 3-2-1-2. He came home with the balance of the stable hearty and husky, and is maturing into a rugged, handsome horse. His winnings total well toward the nine thousand dollar mark to date, and Mr. Durfee considers him able to win more in the future, as he is racing sound, good in any kind of company over all kinds of tracks, and has shown his ability to beat his present record decisively. If not sold he will be a starter in the classes to which he is eligible at the June meeting at the P.-P. I. E., and only the fact that he already has entries for that event keeps Mr. Durfee from naming him in the $20,000 stake for 2:10 trotters, as his performance gives him a license to stand well up in the money in that event.

Write for P.-P. I. E. entry blanks if you do not get yours in a very few days.

GREAT ARRAY OF ANIMALS AT EXPOSITION.

One of the most surprising features of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, to one who stops to investigate, is the importance of the part to be played in the Exposition by animals. Exclusive of the formal live stock showing, which makes up one of the principal divisions of the Exposition proper, a great variety of animals will be found in every part of the grounds, aiding, in numerous directions, in purveying entertainment and furnishing diversion for Exposition visitors—which in reality is the final Exposition purpose.

In the numerous enterprises that compose the "Zone"—as the amusement street is called—about 4000 animals will be found. But even before these show animals were brought to the grounds the animal population of the exposition had taken on interesting proportions. No sooner had the great exhibit palaces been constructed than a number of uninvited wild visitors of a particularly objectionable species took up their abode therein. Some of them have been dislodged. Their eviction was accomplished with considerable difficulty after several months of persuasion, intimidation and subterfuges in the shape of bait and traps.

Following the skunks came a miniature invasion of rats, who fed upon the remains of workmen's luncheons, and for awhile lived in luxury. Their occupation was short, however, and their disappearance furnished an excellent example of the "survival of the fittest." It must have been noised about the city that the exposition offered good feline hunting grounds, for there was shortly an incursion of cats, and the rats vanished. Many of the cats have remained in the buildings, and some of them have been made pets by the exposition guards quartered in the various parts of the grounds.

During the construction period a workman employed on the 435-foot Tower of Jewels brought two pet coons to the grounds. The pair made their escape, and since the completion of the tower have made their home in the dark recesses of the network of steel beams that forms its frame. All efforts to locate and banish them have failed.

Nearly all of the fifty-odd state and foreign buildings that are included in the exposition have pet animals among their inhabitants, and in many cases the animals have been brought from the state or country represented. Australia, for example, has brought a family of kangaroos and several other original inhabitants of the South Pacific commonwealth to the exposition. The Canadian building has a pool of water that affords a first-rate home for a trio of live beavers. A related family dwells in the Idaho building, which also contains a number of other denizens of the mountains of that state.

Flocks of pigeons form a definite part of the exposition color scheme, and greatly enhance its Oriental character. Several thousand of them are cooped in the upper parts of the great arches that mark the western and eastern entrances of the Court of the Universe.

The animal part of the Zone is large enough to stock a well-filled zoo. There is a large space devoted to an animal show, with the usual lions, tigers, leopards and familiar animals of the circus, while the 101 Wild West Show supplies several hundred creatures of appropriate variety. The Alligator Farm contains nearly three thousand specimens of alligators and crocodiles of all sizes, a flock of pelicans, herons, snake birds, eagles, horse-shoe crabs, sea turtles, some raccoons, and three trained sea cows. In the Submarines concessions is a troupe of trained sea lions that follow the big steel boats under water. Their antics are visible through portholes of the submarines.

In the Principality of Toyland Grown Up, a $1,000,000 enterprise that comprises a whole amusement park within itself, will be found any number of animals, from the trained-flea circus to the troupes of trained reindeer, ponies, donkeys, dogs, sheep, monkeys and goats. Incidentally the monkeys are to be seen performing in a sketch entitled "A Night in a Monkey Music Hall."

The South Pole concession, which portrays Captain Scott's expedition to the Antarctic, has several wolf dogs, penguins and other animals brought from that region. Of special interest to the little folk are the four storks that promenade with great dignity in front of the Baby Incubators building or perch on the chimneys thereof. These birds were brought from Holland especially for exhibition at the exposition.

In the Australasian, Hawaiian and Samoan villages are to be found numerous animals indigenous to the countries represented, while on the slopes and crags of the "mountains" that form backgrounds for a number of concessions are painted goats, deer, coyotes, mountain lion and the like, that lend animation to the scene. In the same category might be included the various animals of strange or natural shape, as the case may be, that help to make up the sculptural decoration of the exposition. Camels, elephants, horses, giraffes, lions, bear, wolf, oxen, porpoises, all contribute to the "travertine" menagerie, as it has been called, imitation travertine marble being the principle building material employed in the exterior construction of the exposition.—Our Animals.

The legislature convenes next Monday, and if you are doing your part to protect your own interests you will have your assemblyman and senator lined up to railroad the district fair bill to success.

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EXPOSITION BENCH SHOW RULES.

Rules that will govern the dog show to be held in November in this city under the auspices of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and the issuance of which has been eagerly awaited by fanciers have been sent to the printer by J. D. Graham, assistant superintendent of the Department of Live Stock of the Exposition.

The Universal Kennel show to be held on the grounds will be conducted under its own code of rules. Due recognition will be given to the registration and exhibition of dogs of all countries, and with equal privileges. A summary of the rules follows:

The classification will include only established breeds of record, and the competition will be open to the world. Previous records or winnings will not bar from competition.

Entries must be filed with the Chief Clerk of the Department of Live Stock on the prescribed form, on or before Monday, October 25, 1915. The grounds of the Department of Live Stock will be open for the reception of dogs on Saturday, November 27, and their exhibition will begin on Monday, November 29, and close on Wednesday, December 1, 1915.

All dogs shown in the breeding classes must be recorded, or accepted for record in the recognized books or records for their respective breeds.

All entries will be free. A benching fee of $3 for each entry will be charged to cover the expenses of receiving, benching, showing, feeding and returning the dog. Each specimen must be removed from the Exposition grounds by the exhibitor promptly at the expiration of the show period.

No entry will be received or cared for until the benching fee is paid.

Each exhibitor will be permitted to enter and present for award not more than two entries in each section of the ring.

Every dog must be entered in the name of its bona fide owner as the exhibitor and the application for entry must be signed by the owner.

No dog will be received or benched that has not been passed by the official veterinarian, and no dog or puppy will be received without a suitable collar and chain.

The word "dog" as used in the rules includes both sexes over twelve months of age; and the word "puppy" includes both sexes over six and under twelve months of age. Puppies under six months will not be received.

The age of a dog or puppy will be reckoned from the date of birth to November 1, 1915. Unworthy or unhealthy specimens will not be admitted to competition.

All labeling or decoration of cages must be made subject to the approval of the Chief of the Department of Live Stock.

The general rules of the Department of Live Stock, as published in the final classification and prize list, will govern wherever applicable to the group.

Prizes will be awarded as follows: On each dog or bitch, one year or over: 1st prize, $5; 2nd prize, $4; 3rd prize, $3; 4th prize, highly commended; 5th prize, commended.

On each male or female puppy, over six and under twelve months of age: 1st prize, $4; 2nd prize, $3; 3rd prize, $2; 4th prize, highly commended; 5th prize, commended.

The championship prizes, either sex, any age, will be $5 each.

The premier championship award will be a ribbon.

Here is the complete list of the numerous varieties of breeds that will be recognized:

Sporting Division — Airedale Terriers, Basset Hounds (roughand smooth), Beagles, Bedlington Terriers, Bloodhounds, Chesapeake Bay Dogs, Clumber Spaniels, Cocker Spaniels, Dachshunds, Dandie Dinmont Terriers, English Setters, Field Spaniels, Foxhounds (American and English), Fox Terriers (wire and smooth), Gordon Setters, Greyhounds, Griffons, Harriers, Irish Setters, Irish Water Spaniels, Irish Wolfhounds, Labradors, Otter Hounds, Pointers, Retrievers (wavy and curly coated), Russian Wolfhounds (Borzois), Scottish Deerhounds, Scottish Terriers, Skye Terriers, Sussex Spaniels, Water (other than Irish) Spaniels, Welsh Terriers, West Highland White Terriers, Whippets.

Non-Sporting Division—Belgian Sheep Dogs (rough and smooth), Black and Tan Terriers (Manchester), Boston Terriers, Boxers, Bulldogs, Bull Terriers, Chihuahaus, Chinese Crested, Chow Chows, Collies (rough and smooth), Dalmatians, English Toy Spaniels (orange and white, red, black and tan and tricolor), Esquimaux (Husky and Mallimuth), French Bulldogs, German Pinscher, Great Danes, Griffons Bruzellois, Italian Greyhounds, Japanese Spaniels, Maltese Terriers, Mastiffs, Mexican Hairless, Newfoundlands, Old English Sheep Dogs, Russian Sheep Dogs (Owtchers), Papillons, Pekinese Spaniels, Pomeranians, Poodles (corded), Poodles (curly), Pugs, Samoyedes, Schipperkes, St. Bernards (smooth and rough), Toy Poodles, Toy Terriers, White English Terriers (also toy), Yorkshire Terriers.

WESTMINSTER SHOW.

The exclusive set in the dog world stepped to the front Monday afternoon at Madison Square Garden, New York, when the thirty-ninth annual show of the Westminster Kennel Club opened, to continue four days until Thursday night following. Not in three years has the feature been held in the Garden, and it was a regular old home week when the dogs hopped from their crates to take their places once more in the familiar surroundings of long ago, states The Times.

In the matter of entries there was just a little falling off from that of a year ago, which rightly or wrongly is probably attributed to the war, but there were enough dogs to make the Garden seem like a winter resort for all the canines of the world, the total numbering 1,710, with about 3,000 entries in the various classes. Certainly there was the best in dog flesh entered in the various breeds, and the judging showed that there were many newcomers into the ring that would give their champion rivals a sharp tussle for the honors.

Never in the history of the annual show was there such a gathering of dog lovers as swarmed through the aisles of the Garden the first day. From the opening of the doors they began to troop in, and before the afternoon was well along the passageways were in many places congested.

Matford Vic, George W. Quintard's wire-haired fox terrier, whose early tradition was anything but indicative of the supreme honors which she was to attain, at the Westminster Kennel Club Show Thursday afternoon mounted dogdom's highest pedestal in this country, when she toook the coveted honor, that of being the best dog in the show. This little terrier, whose first glimpse of life was from the obscurity of an English barnyard, from which she was taken after the payment of a paltry $10, carried to victory the kennel of her owner against the competition of the most famous champions of all other breeds. Purchased for almost nothing, she could not be bought today for $10,000, it is claimed.

Probably no owner of dogs ever scored a more notable victory than did George Quintard. Not only did he win the highest award with Matford Vic, but the captured the reserve too with his new importation, Wireboy of Paignton, a happening which many assert has never been matched before in the history of the Westminster Show. Wireboy and Vic were not satisfied with their achievement, however, for a little later they won the brace special and with Raby Dazzler and Holmbury Reve the best team special.

Few people know of the early history of Vic and that a ten-dollar bill was the supposed limit of her worth by one owner. It is an interesting story when that all but outcast is crowned as the queen of dogs in this country. Some two years ago a fancier of cocker spaniels living near Birmingham went to purchase some dogs. He was not well versed in the terrier breeds, but took a fancy to this little puppy, which was running around the barnyard of an English farmer, and thought that it would make an interesting playmate for his grandchildren. He asked what the farmer would take for the dog, and was answered that £2 would purchase it. He took it home and was laughed at by each of his two sons, whom he tried to give it to, they telling him that it was not the kind of a dog to appeal to their children.

The grandfather was discouraged, but he decided to hold the dog, and one day took it to a show in which he was exhibiting his cocker spaniels. A terrier fancier happened to catch sight of the terrier, which was then out of the puny stage, and he said: "That is a fine dog that you have there. Why don't you exhibit it here?" The owner was skeptical, remarking that he would not have a chance against the champions that were entered, but at last he was prevailed upon to bench Vic. Absolute consternation seized him when the dog went through the classes a winner and he realized that he had a flyer. He laughed at his sons who had rejected the dog, and refused an offer of $500 for the fox terrier. Eventually a higher bid was made, $1,000, and that bought Matford Vic. George W. Quintard's agent then set out to purchase the terrier, and it is said that the cost to the fancier was about $2,500. On her first appearance in this country Vic captured the honors in the fox terrier classes at the Boston show a year ago and was beaten at the New York show by Vickery Fast Freight. The only other defeat which has been recorded against the dog was at the Toy Dog Show, when a Maltese terrier was placed above Vic as the best dog in the show. The judge, however, admitted that the placing was governed somewhat by his view that a fox terrier was not in reality a toy dog. Matford Vic was judged the best fox terrier.

One of the features of Monday's judging was the awarding of the ribbons in the pointer class. Jay Gould, the court tennis champion of the world, was the judge of the breed, and he turned things topsyturvy by some of his awards. This was not so noticeable in the consideration of the dogs as it was in the judging of the opposite sex. There were a number of entries which carried with them into the ring the stamp of champion from former contests in the judging ring. Gould liked none of them sufficiently to give a blue ribbon to. The award went to John Borup's May Queen B in the winner's class, and it won in each of the classes for American-bred dogs right through to winners. It was in this breed that Clarence H. Mackey, after an absence from the shows for fifteen years, had a number of entries. He was not very successful in gaining first places, but he did obtain places in many of the classes. Two of his best dogs were Palmetto Belle and Prince Cash Bell. George J. Gould had a number of retrievers entered.

One of the oddities of this year's show in the line of sporting dogs was the entry of a number of wire-haired pointing griffons. They are a reddish-gray dog, much larger than the toy griffon, being more nearly comparable to the Airedale in size. In Italy, France, Belgium, and Germany they are popular bird dogs, but heretofore they have not been to any extent in the Westminster event, this being the first year in which the club has had a special class for the breed. The largest exhibitor was G. Dan Morgan.

The wire-haired and smooth fox terrier classes were well filled, though there was the absence of the entries from the Vickery Kennels and the Sabine Kennels of Orange, Texas, which have withdrawn from further competition. George W. Quintard had the largest individual entry, and some of the best of the breed.

Close competition, with several surprises resulting, marked the judging of a number of popular breeds Wednesday. This was particularly true when the fox terriers, both wire-haired and smooth, the Boston terriers, and the Sealyham terriers were in the ring. The rivalry in these breeds, which is always keen, drew more than usual attention to the work of the judges, the ring being surrounded by a large gathering of fanciers, and, generally speaking, the awards met with popular favor, though the prestige of several champions was trod on none too gently.

Some dog from the fox terrier division is always looked upon as being a possible contender for the honor of being judged the best in the show, hence there was particular attention paid to the awards Wednesday. George W. Quintard scored a notable victory in the wire-haired fox terrier classes, taking first and reserve in winners for both dogs and bitches. In the class for dogs Wireboy of Paignton, imported by Quintard recently from London at a cost of $5,000, scored a victory over the notable winner, Champion Raby Dazzler. The two came together in the open class, and after much careful consideration by the judges, Paignton got the blue, Dazzler being second, and the same order prevailed when it came to the winners class. There was an opinion by some that Dazzler showed to the best advantage, and certainly he was in prime condition, the main point on which his kennel mate scored a victory seeming to be in the length of neck. With the bitches Quintard scored victories with Holmbury Reve and Cromwell Cheeky, which were placed in that order in the winner's class. Quintard's most remarkable victory came in the smooth fox terrier division, when a puppy, Ridgeway Envoy, an American-bred dog, went through the first classes a winner, and then in competition in the winner's class scored over D. G. Reid's Rondo.

In a strong benching of Irish terriers John G. Bates was remarkably successful in the high classes, his champion, Blarney Beau Brummel, taking the award in the winner's class for dogs and his Blarney Belinda coming through to victory as the best of the opposite sex.

George W. Qintard's bulldog bitch, Wooden Joan, was successful in limit open and winner's classes and Robert Lobban's well-known Deodora Monarch was judged the best in dogs.

THE NAME IS WRONGLY USED.

The question has been often asked: "Does the bench show Llewellin no longer exist?" In the first place "Llewellin" is a misnomer as applied to English setters. A few years after the dogs purchased from Mr. Llewellin, and their descendants, had done nearly all of the winning by setters at American field trials, there arose a demand for some name by which these dogs might be distinguished from our native setters. "Field-trial Setters" was at first suggested, but this did not seem to fill the demand, so Arnold Burgess suggested the name, "Llewellin Setter." As the dogs had principally come from Llewellin's kennels, the name was adopted. This was soon followed with an edict from some one that only dogs coming from the Llewellin kennels and their descendants should receive this name. Dogs, therefore, that were of exactly the same breeding were tabooed as not straight bred Llewellins, for the very whimsical reason that they did not come from his kennels or were not descended on both sides from dogs that did.

But the greatest inconsistency in the adoption of this name was found in the fact that the dogs so named were bred in various ways. Gladstone, for instance, was half Laverack and by a sire by Duke out of Rhoebe. Count Noble was by Count Wind'em—a three-quarter Laverack—out of Nora, a half Laverack and half Duke—Rhoebe, making him five-eighths Laverack and three-eighths Duke—Rhoebe. Rahe was by Dan (Duke—Rhoebe) out of Ruby and she by Fred (Laverack) out of Rhoebe. He was therefore one-quarter Laverack, one-quarter Duke

blood and half Rhoebe blood. Carlowitz was bred by Llewellin, yet he was a pure Laverack, but under this rule he too must be classed as a Llewellin.

Waddington's Daisy was by Carlowitz out of True. Carlowitz was bred by Llewellin, and True was by Llewellin's Prince out of Dora, making her three-fourths Laverack. Still under the rule she was a Llewellin. Rederick, imported from Llewellin's kennels, was one-fourth Duke—Rhoebe and three-fourths Laverack. Ruby was a Llewellin because he owned her. She was by the Laverack, Fred out of Rhoebe, but Rob Roy a full brother was not, because he was sold to Arnold Burgess by Thos. Slatter, the owner of Rhoebe. Then comes another mixture and still they are straight bred Llewellins such as Dashing Berwyn, Dashing Model, etc. These were sired by Llewellin's Dash II, by Prince (Laverack) Dash II, out of Kate, by Graham's Duke out of Corbett's Slut. Now Llewellin's Dash II had more of the Rhoebe blood that was so prominent in the rest of his dogs. So that when we find that a Llewellin setter, so-called, can be one-fourth Laverack, half Laverack or three-fourths Laverack and the rest Duke—Rhoebe or with the Rhoebe blood left out or the Duke blood left out, it naturally leads to the inquiry: What was this Duke and this Rhoebe blood?

Duke was by Graham's Duke out of Corbett's Slut. The sire and dam of Graham's Duke was Dart and Bess and this is all that is known about him. The sire of Corbett's Slut was Rollo, and nobody knows who was her dam. Rhoebe was by Hackett's Rahe out of Slatter's Psyche. Hackett's Rahe is fully traced for two generations, and partially for several more, but Psyche, according to the English Kennel Club's stud book was a waif, descended in some way from the Gordon Castle and South Esk strains of setters. Later a pedigree, as becomes one of such fame, has been found for her, but there is no certainty of its authenticity. At any rate Duke and Rhoebe were from two different sources, neither of which have any claim to purity of strain, even if of blood.

Mr. Llewellin, unquestionably, deserves great credit for producing, or what is better, for introducing into America, this out-crossed Laverack setter. The Laverack setter was not only an established strain, but it had been kept pure within itself long enough, and bred true enough to type to almost entitle it to be called a breed. It is true the Laveracks had been interbred on false theories until they were generally faulty in chest and shoulders. But in spite of this nature would often assert itself, and reverting back to the old type, produce a Countess, a Nellie, a Phantom and others of the right formation. It was therefore on the pure blood of the Laverack that Llewellin built his foundation. And, whether these Laveracks were crossed onto the Duke—Rhoebe blood or onto Duke alone, or Rhoebe alone, the result was good, because the foundation was pure. All it needed was strengthening by some outside blood on account of its long and constant interbreeding on false theories. It was strongly prepotent on account of this purity. It was this prepotency that made so many of the early crossbreeds from the Llewellin kennels handsome, shapely, and well-built dogs. It is this prepotency asserting itself, after years of the most reckless interbreeding, that gives an occasional well-made, handsome dog even at this late day.

The so-called Llewellin is not entitled to the name even as a strain, for they have not yet reached that point where they have established a type by which they can be identified, beyond generally an apple head, short nose and snipy muzzle. But even this is not constant, for good, clean, shapely heads are often seen, as the individual reverts back to the pure blood of the Laverack. With the present system of interbreeding, with the one idea of developing speed, the bench-show Llewellin will soon be known only in history. And what is worse it will not take much more than another decade to completely eradicate all his bird-sense and make him useless as a field dog, except possibly as a racing machine.

The English setter needs a new Llewellin, not to undo what he did, but to undo what foolish fads have done to the good work he began. The English setter needs a new Llewellin to make another outcross onto some strain devoid of the nervousness which characterizes our dogs of today; something with more brains and more substance, more desire to hunt for birds, and sure enough to handle them when found. Something built on the lines of the true English, with the fine intelligent head and speaking eye, and with a conformation that can stand a day's work.

NEEDS REVISING.

At San Francisco show prize was offered for the best "field dog" and the judge awarded it to a good-looking English setter, of a strain prominent only in bench shows, as the best setter or pointer in the show. Against this decision a protest was filed with the club. On just what grounds the protest was made is not remembered, but supposedly on the plea that there were better field dogs in the show than the winner. That is, dogs that could do better work in the field. On this ground the protest naturally fell down, for no judge in the ring can form any idea of a dog's work in the field. He may easily form an estimate of the dog's ability to cover ground fast and wide and stay at his work for a day's shooting, but the dog might be unbroken and therefore useless in the field.

Just so long as bench show committees will offer such inconsistent prizes, just so long will there be trouble. The best field dog, from a bench show standpoint, is the most typical setter, pointer or spaniel, and even hounds, beagles, and harriers might be included in the list. In the eyes of the sportsman the "best field dog" would be the one that could do the best work on upland game birds; but in order for a bench show committee to have this determined they would have to take the competing dogs to trials and have them tested on game under competent judges. Prizes like the one causing the protest should be more definitely worded, so that they can be decided in the judging ring.

While referring to this matter the attention of show committees is desired to another kind of prize that bench shows are offering that will result in doing harm to the shows—the prize for field trial dogs. First, in making the class or classes, setters and pointers should not be put together. No judge can intelligently judge a dog of one breed against one of another breed; secondly, make the classes for dogs that "have been placed in a field trial," not that have merely been entered or started. The owners of good field trial winners will soon tire of patronizing shows if their dogs are to compete with anything that may "have been entered." At best the expediency of making field trial classes for bench shows is very doubtful. Therefore show committees, if they desire the patronage of the field trial men, should be very careful to place such restrictions on the entries as will meet with the approval of field trial men.

While there are an abundance of setters and pointers in California these breeds are generally found in limited numbers at the shows, and the reason for it is that the bird dog men are quite generally of the opinion that bench shows do the field dog interest far more harm than good. Bad judging, and bad handling of classes and prizes by show committees has had a strong influence in the formation of this opinion. Another fruitful source of the creation of this opinion is getting pet-dog judges, who never saw a dog at work on birds and who have not the faintest idea of the requirements of a field dog—in the way of speed, sudden turning, and instantaneous stopping—to judge these dogs. The result is awards become a farce and dogs that are impossibilities as field dogs are often placed to the front.

If, therefore, bench show committees want to win back the field dog sportsmen as patrons of the shows, they must give them better treatment in the way of judges, and use more discretion in the making of classes and offering of prizes.

THE BEGINNER AND THE RIFLE.

Anyone with reasonably good eyes, a pair of arms strong enough to lift six or seven pounds, and who has a fair control of his muscles, can become a good rifle shot; and the measure of the success gained is in direct ratio to the amount of brain matter and practice devoted to this excellent sport.

The word "he" is used here to designate the shooter, but this by no means is to imply that the shooter should be of the masculine persuasion. On the contrary, it is of more importance for a woman to learn to handle firearms well than it is for a man.

A man has his fists and strength to fall back on in case of assault, while the average woman is helpless. Every day or so we read of some dastardly outrage perpetrated on some unprotected woman, and for every instance we read of half a dozen take place that never get into print. If every woman would learn, as she learns cooking or sewing, the use of firearms and acquire the ability to hit what she shot at, the popular amusement of assaulting and robbing and murdering lonely women would cease to have its present attractions to the thug. Every man who has a wife or sister or daughter, and who is himself proficient in the use of firearms and yet fails to instruct the woman folks dependent upon him how to handle a gun of some sort, should feel that he is lacking to some extent in his duty toward them. Let the girls learn the use of firearms; the knowledge may come in handy some day and they will be better off, anyway, for the outdoor practice.

The first step in learning the proper use of a rifle is like the celebrated recipe on cooking the hare—first get your rifle. Don't get any old rifle that some friend may have or that some one recommends to you; get a rifle that will answer your purpose and yet be safe to shoot near a city if you happen to be a city dweller, and that will be economical to shoot.

If you are a beginner—and this article is only addressed to this class of shooters—you have no business with a big calibre or a high power rifle. They are dangerous weapons to shoot near a settlement, even in the hands of an expert; and a raw hand's peppering the surrounding country with bullets traveling at some 2,000 feet per second is very liable to bring him before a coroner's jury, or at least to face the angry owner of damaged live stock, and he will have to pay damages enough to disgust him with all future shooting.

The best all-round rifle is a .22 calibre repeater that will handle the long rifle cartridge, or a good weight single shot adapted for this cartridge. It does not pay you to buy a toy that cannot be held steadily and each gun doesn't last long. Get a rifle weighing at lease five pounds of any of the standard American makes, Winchester or Remington preferred; they are are all good nodadays. See that the pull is not over four or five and a half pounds, and you are ready to begin practice. You can test the pull by getting a weight that you know is not over five pounds and hanging it by a string to the trigger, the hammer being previously cocked. If the gun is pulled off, the pull is correct, but if the trigger cannot be pulled with a five-pound weight you had better take it to a gunsmith and have the pull lightened.

It is better to practice with the gun unloaded for a few times; the beginner is always a little gun-shy even with a light rifle and .22 cartridges; that is, the noise disturbs him so that he does not give due attention to pulling the trigger as he should.

The whole secret in shooting a rifle is not the "vice-like grip" we read about, where the shooter holds his rifle immovably fixed on the target until he gets ready to shoot and then pulls the trigger; this is a physical impossibility. Learn to shoot a rifle as you would a shotgun; with the arm out, with control of your rifle, so that you can shoot in a strong wind or at an object running rapidly. The main requisite to being a good rifle shot is complete control of your muscles—not to hold the gun "motionless" on the target, for this is practically impossible—but to squeeze your firing hand at the first instant your sights are lined up on the object to be hit and not at the second or third or fifteenth time your front sight crosses the object to be punctured.

You will find that it is a very hard thing to hold your sights in line on an inch bullseye at thirty feet or so for even an instant, and if you can do so you will find it a still harder matter to squeeze your hand while the sights are on the bullseye. Your brain says "Shoot!" but the telegraphic service to your finger on the trigger never seems slower or more like real telegraph service than when you attempt to send the "Fire" signal to your firing hand.

With the gun unloaded take aim at a small target or black disk on the wall, holding the rifle with left arm well extended but not tensed up rigidly, and with the right hand firmly gripping the stock and trigger. Stand as easily as possible, don't screw yourself up in a knot; you must be as comfortable as possible to do good shooting. Most people will find the gun fits better to raise the right shoulder, or elbow—which will raise the shoulder—thus making a better support for the butt of the rifle and decreasing the liability of the weapon's slipping.

Now, with the sights pointed in the direction of the target and the hammer cocked, but without taking much care as to the gun being carefully aimed, try slowly squeezing your right hand until the gun snaps. The motion should be as though you were trying to squeeze the trigger up into the stock and the whole hand should be slowly contracted. Don't pull or jerk the trigger for that is just what you should not do. "Pulling" the trigger will invariably pull the gun also, and your shot will not strike where your sights were pointed before you fired.

Practice, a dozen times, squeezing the trigger with the whole hand while gripping the gun with the same force as the trigger, until you can tell what force is necessary to discharge the gun. You will find that by this method you can fire a gun with an eight or nine-pound pull very easily, whereas by clasping the stock loosely with the right hand and attempting to fire by simply pulling on the trigger, it will seem to you as though the gun would never go off and you will begin to shake and wobble it long before the shot is fired, or else you will jerk the trigger and thereby pull the sights off the object to be hit. After you think you have mastered this trigger squeezing until you can fire the gun without jerking the sights out of line, try the aiming drill.

Start the muzzle about six inches below the bullseye, if practicing at a thirty-foot range; take a medium sight, neither coarse nor fine, and preserving this same relative position of the sight in the notch, raise the gun slowly until the front sight just touches the lower edge of the bullseye, then stop the gun for an instant and squeeze the trigger, watching carefully to see which way, if any, the muzzle is twitched when the trigger is pulled. You should not try for a second sight. If the sight did not come steadily and slowly, and you did not feel that the bullet would strike the bullseye if you pulled the trigger, don't shoot.

It is better to take the gun down and try again. It is simply a matter of practice, getting the hand to respond the instant your front sight gets into position, and it will not do to try a second time if you do not get the sight into the right position the first time you raise the gun. Always take the rifle down and start over again; don't hold the gun up on the bullseye and wobble around, trying to get the sights on the right spot, for that's just what makes poor shots. Train yourelf to squeez the trigger at the right time, just as the batsman swings his bat at the ball just at the right time to meet it and drive it out for a long hit. He doesn't get a second chance, the ball has passed and he must train himself to strike at the proper moment or not strike at all. A good many beginners—and for that matter, shots of long experience—think that because the target is inanimate that they can wiggle the gun around the target all day until they get what they think is the cirrect sight, and then pull the trigger. This is wrong; because in the first place the longer the gun is held out the more unsteady the rifleman becomes. You can prove this by holding a book out at arm's length and watching the arm begin to tire and become unsteady and finally become nerveless. In the second place, the practice with the rifle, while very enjoyable, should be regarded as a means to an end, and whether you are shooting at game or at an enemy in battle you want to shoot quickly and accurately, and the only way to accomplish this is by raising the gun slowly and steadily and firing when the sight reaches the object, not before that time nor afterward.

Hold your breath when you start your gun up; that is, take a moderately long breath, enough to fill your lungs comfortably and don't breathe when about to fire. If this is oppressive it shows that you are taking too much time in your sighting.

Don't be in a hurry to use cartridges; learn to handle the gun properly before loading it at all; practice this firing and sighting drill until you can fire the gun every time you start it up and are reasonably sure that your sights are in the right spot when the trigger is squeezed. If you cannot do this you have no business loading the gun, the noise of the discharge will only distract your attention and will add nothing to your proficiency. If you were in the army at present you would be required to practice this aiming and firing drill for weeks before you even saw a ball cartridge, and all that this drill is for is merely to hit the object shot at, nothing more. Have confidence in yourself, raise the gun confidently and don't get the rattles or jerks at any stage of your rifle shooting. Concentrate your mind intently on the one thing of squeezing the trigger at the right time, and don't let any outside influences disturb you or take your mind off the operation. Concentration is necessary in all things, and is never more so than in shooting a rifle, until the pulling of the trigger at the right time becomes second nature to you as it will if you start right and practice faithfully.

(To be concluded next week.)

Trap and Target

Registered Tournaments.—Secretary E. Reed Shaner announces the pleasing information that 205 tournaments have been registered. This list is made up as follows:

145 Regular tournaments, to which The Interstate Association will make contributions.

24 State tournaments, to which the Association will make contributions.

26 League tournaments, to which the Association will make contributions through the several Leagues.

5 Special tournaments, to which the Association will make special contributions.

Nine more applications carrying requests for contributions have been approved, conditional on the applicant clubs naming non-conflicting dates; 113 clubs have been given the privilege of registering their tournaments under our "Old Policy"; 68 applications have been returned unapproved, for various reasons, and 30 State tournaments have yet to be heard from.

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"Pull!"—The local trap shooting season this year will be conducted under the auspices of four gun clubs—California Wing Shooting Club, Golden Gate Gun Club, Exposition City Gun Club and the Bay View Gun Club. The regular club shoots will take place the first, third and fourth Sundays of each month, the season closing in September.

The California Wing Shooting Club will probobly open at Sobrante grounds Sunday, March 7. The Bay View Gun Club will start on the same date, on the club grounds at the South end of High street, Alameda. The Golden Gate trigger pullers will start Sunday, March 21. The club shooting grounds are located at West Alameda station. The Exposition City Gun Club's opening shoot will take place at the Easton trap ground, in San Mateo county, Sunday, March 28. Sunday, March 14, the club has arranged to hold a Fred Gilbert 20th anniversary shoot. Gilbert shoots will also come off at the Golden Gate blue rock shoot, March 21, and at the San Jose Blue Rock Club's shoot March 14.

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California-Nevada Tournament.—The third interstate shoot of the California-Nevada Trap Shooting Association, it is intimated, will take place in this city, probably during the month of August.

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All In Line.—The Fred Gilbert 20th anniversary shoots will be held this year, it is intimated, by over 500 gun clubs throughout the United States and Canada. The matches are distance handicaps at 100 single targets and for valuable cup trophies.

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American Championship Shoot.—The tenth annual blue rock tournament for the championship of America, will take place under the auspices of the New York Athletic Club, at Travers Island, April 30th to May 1. Two hundred targets per man will be shot at each day. Crack shooters from the Coast, Middle West, East and Canada will compete.

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..New York Sportsmen's Show Notes.—The police department ordered all night shooting on the roof of the Grand Central Palace in connection with the Sportsmen's Show discontinued because of the objections of the neighboring residents. All the trap shooting was then finished in the daytime and special trophies were offered in the several events. The conditions the 25th inst., on account of the rain and wind were very much against good scores, but nevertheless there were many meritorious performances.

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L. N. Herrick of the Westchester Club was the high amateur, with a score of 41 out of a possible 50. Neaf Apgar of New Jersey, high professional, 39 out of 50. W. H. Yule of the N. Y. A. C. was leading for the long run trophy, with a score of forty straight.

Women entrants in the trap-shooting competition on the roof were constantly increasing in number, the latest arrival in the event being Mrs. L. D. Vogel of Detroit, the amateur woman champion, and she signalized her entry by taking the lead from Miss L. M. Boles of Greenwich, Conn., who had heretofore proved her skill over the best of the other contenders. The score that Miss Boles had made was a 40 out of a possible 50, and Mrs. Vogel went one better by breaking 41. Her performance was in a sense remarkable, for the conditions on the Palace roof were far from propitious for high scores. There was a strong wind, and the cloudiness was a particular disadvantage.

In spite of the unfavorable weather in mid-week, however, there were more men in competition than on any previous day, and several of the leaders had to give way to other seekers after honors. W. H. Yule, the New York Athletic Club crack shot, was first in the amateur class, his score, a 45 out of a possible 50, placing him ahead of L. N. Herrick of the Westchester Gun Club, who held the highest previous score of 41 out of 50. Yule also led for the Long Run Trophy with forty straight, and he took one day's High Gun Trophy. The professional lead was also changed when H. H. Stevens of New Jersey struck down 46 of the clay birds out of a possible 50. The best previous score had been made by Neaf Apgar, also of New Jersey, when he broke 39 out of 50.

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That the school boys of New York gained practical shooting experience is certain from the announcement that they have used 50,000 rounds in the rifle competition which was a feature of the show. That the officers of the United States Army took a keen interest in the schoolboy rifle shooting was evidenced by the presence of two officers from Governors Island—Capt. Laurence Angel and Capt. L. A. Dewey—both of whim were detailed by Gen. Leonard Wood to assist in running the competition. Morris High School won the Winchester Trophy with a total of 1,146 out of a possible 1,200.

R. Reppert of Morris High School made an unusual score in the schoolboys' rifle shoot when, in one of the 200 target events, he hit the bulls-eye 199 times. In some of the other events for the boy sharpshooters some excellent scores were made, S. Vernet of Manual Training and G. Bergman of Pratt Institute each having a perfect score of 100 in an event for 100 targets.

Gossip For Sportsmen

Fish and Game Report.—The report of the State Fish and Game Commission for the biennial term, July 1, 1912 to June 30, 1914, shows, among other matters, that California ranks in the number of hunting and fishing licenses second or third in the United States. Illinois leads with 185,000 annual hunting licenses; New York may be a hundred or so ahead of this State, but the New York reports do not show conclusively. The total number of hunting licenses sold in this State for 1913-1914 amounted to the sum of $164,111, $1873 less than for 1912-13. The total sum received for hunting licenses from July 1, 1911, to June 30, 1914, was $329,720.

The report states that California is protecting its fish and game resources more vigorously than any other State, with the exception of New York, which employs fifty more game wardens, has over treble the population and less than one-third the area.

In many sections of the State deer are more numerous than a few years ago. In other districts there has been an appreciable decline each year. The records compiled show the number of bucks killed in 1913 to be 8269, for 1912 7537 bucks, for 1911 6489 deer. This list is based upon reports of deputies. It is probable that the actual number of bucks killed would double the figures here given.

Quail in the greater parts of the Coast district are barely holding their own. The season for taking the valley quail, and also the bag limit, is greater than the supply of birds will warrant, it is claimed. In the territory embraced in the Fresno division, as a whole, the supply of valley quail, it is stated, has also materially decreased during the past two years—dry seasons.

The season of 1912-1913 for wild ducks, in the bay counties district, was far better than during 1913-1914. It is estimated only one-half the number of birds were killed during the latter season. Canvasback ducks, however, were the exception; this variety was not so abundant for many years past.

The total number of arrests for fish or game law violations for the past twelve years numbers 8343. Fines collected during the past four years, upon convictions, amounted to $9271. Imprisonment of 1189 days was the misfortune of numerous offenders during that period who did not, or could not, pay fines imposed.

One hundred and ten deputy fish and game commissioners, hatchery culturists, etc., are on the pay roll of the Commission.

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Needs Changing.—The framers of the present fish and game laws failed to take into consideration the man who pays a license in many ways, and with particular injustice to the people of Contra Costa county. The finest fish in the waters of the Straits of Carquinez is the striped bass and the most enticing bait is a portion of crab, yet the law says: "No female crab and none less than seven inches across back" can be legally taken—which means that the man who wants to angle for bass in those waters is barred from using the most acceptable bait.

The framers of the law failed to take into consideration the fact that there are several different species of the crab family—the only one growing in the straits waters being known as a "mud crab," no one of which ever attained "seven inches across the back"—even if it lived until the shell was covered with barnacles. The preservation of the fish and game supply is a commendable thing, but the man who enjoys sitting on a wharf and angling should be given an opportunity to get the bait he needs. The mud crab should be eliminated from the list, as it is of no use as food and the only known purpose of its existence is for "striped bass food." Give the man with a hook and line a chance for his money.

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Striped Bass Catches.—Fair weather prevailing this afternoon will induce a number of local striped bass anglers to leave town, bound for a day's fishing tomorrow in Napa creek, near the railroad drawbridge. That delegation will be increased by other rod and reel enthusiasts, who will make the trip tomorrow morning.

The reason for all this activity in the ranks of the rodsters is that a number of large-sized fish have been caught at that fishing resort recently. Saturday and Sunday, two weeks ago, despite the cold wind, rain and hail, a score of bass chasers could not be deterred from indulgence in the fascinating sport. Louis Gotthelf of this city was high hook, with a catch of one bass that scaled 43½ pounds and another that weighed 15 pounds. George Gregory's two fish weighed 16½ and 9¼ pounds. Frank Messager landed an 11-pounder. Ed and Harold Ladd, Harvey Harmon, Charles Stapler, Bill Schneider, "Chicken Sam" and other well known striped bass experts nearly all drew blanks. Charles Urfer fished at Appleby bay, several miles below the drawbridge, and caught four bass a 15-pounder being the largest. The favorite bait used by those who have been lucky in the waters here referred to has been "bullheads"—the ordinary bay catfish. The water in the creek for several weeks past has been muddy, and will probably be so tomorrow.

The veteran striped bass fisherman, Al Wilson, one week caught 200 pounds of striped bass in the creek. Other rodsters were also fairly lucky. Among the observing salt water fishermen the opinion is general that large bass will be running for sixty days or more, not only in Napa creek, but also at other favorite bass fishing waters about the bay shores.

Gotthelf's tally for eight trips to Napa drawbridge since January 1 shows a total catch of sixteen striped bass, weighing 336 pounds, as follows: Fish scaling 21, 37, 24, 8, 10, 11, 27, 8, 13, 15, 52, 10, 13, 29½, 15 and 43 pounds. The largest fish taken so far in that part of Napa creek, a 54-pounder, was caught by "Pop" West, a Napa sportsman, several seasons ago. Charles Bond of Alameda has the credit of catching the largest striped bass, with rod and line, up to date—a fish weighing 55¼ pounds, caught in San Antone slough. Several bass weighing over 60 pounds have been caught by net fishermen off San Pablo, on the east bay shore. The largest bass yet seen in the local markets was a monster of 80 pounds, 72 inches long and 18 inches through at the pectoral fins. This fish was taken near Benicia several years ago by a handline wharf fisherman.

About a score of fishermen tried the San Antone waters Sunday with but poor success. Across the bay, along the San Pablo shores, there will not be much doing with striped bass until pleasant and sunshiny weather will induce the fish to come in on the shallow shore waters.

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Among lucky fishermen there is the commendable desire to have a picture of the big fish captured. Most photos taken show the fish dangling with distended jaws and expanded gills, rather unartistic that. A better way is to suspend the rod and reel prize—whether it be a large trout, striped bass, in fact, almost any big fish—by the tail. The effect is more natural and gives a better idea of the subject.

Trade Tips

J. Lino, of Chicago, made a most remarkable score at the Valentine Day meet of the Chicago Gun Club. With the wind blowing a gale, he hung up the right smart score of 145x150, a most worthy effort under the circumstances. He shot a Remington Pump gun and Nitro Club shells. Max Kneussel, of Ottawa, Ill., took second honors shooting the same brand of shells.

The cold does not seem to detract from the enthusiasm of Toronto, Canada, shooters, for on February 20, 50 men lined up at the traps of the Stanley Gun Club. Geo. Beattie, of Hamilton, and S. G. Vance, of Fillsonburg, both shooting Nitro Club shells, took first and second places, scoring 72x75 and 71x75 respectively.

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Carolyn C. had two minute speed. This great filly is entered and paid up in the Occident stake, the State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A., and Oregon Futurities for 1915. **The best buy in California at $1600.**

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black mare, trotter, eight years old, racing sound but is blemished; has always trained sound and I believe will continue to do so. Trialed at Sacramento in 2:10½ and has been a half lately in 1:03¾. Is a splendid mannered mare—anyone can drive her anywhere. She races first class, is fast, good headed, good gaited and dead game.

Sired by **ZOLOCK 2:05¼,** dam by Wilkes Moor, son of Guy Wilkes.

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CARLETA,

bay filly, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ALEXANDRIA, tr. 2:20, by Bon Voyage 2:08; second dam by Oakland Baron 2:09¼; third dam by Allandorf, etc.

This is a good trotter and should be prominent in her stake engagements. Is very handsome, good headed, sound and comes from familes noted for early speed. She has been up from pasture about eight weeks and trialed this week in 2:49 very easily, last eighth in :19¼.

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CARLSCHEN (2) 2:23, breeder's record, brown gelding by CARLOKIN, dam BONNIE AILSIE 2:08½ (dam of Contention B. (3) 2:08¼) by Faustino, son of Sidney.

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bay filly, trotter, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ATHERINE (dam of Copa de Oro 1:59, Rags 2:09¼ and Nicola B. (2) 2:23¾, tr. 2:17, winner of the Oregon Futurity and second in the P. C. T. H. B. A. stakes for two-year-old trotters). Carina is entered and paid up in the same stakes as Carleta. She is a grand looking, well developed filly, showed a :40 gait at eleven months old. Is good gaited and good headed, is in training and promises to make a high class trotter. Trialed this week in 2:46, last half in 1:21. **Price $600.00.**

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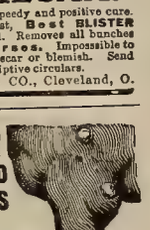
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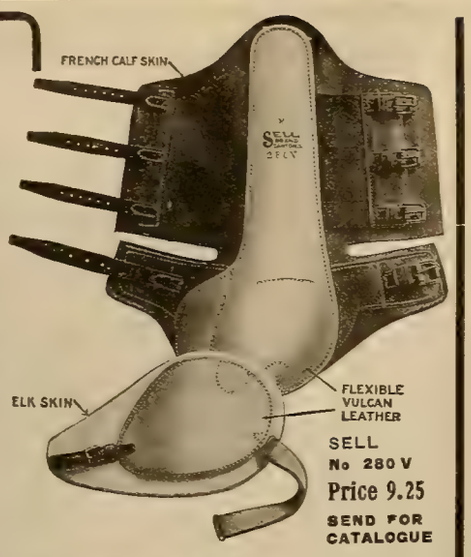
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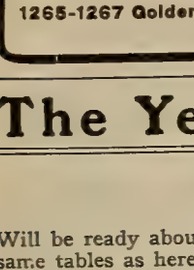
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Johnny Dugan p (3)2:16 Nicola B. (2).....2:23½
John Warwick (2) 2:17 Santiago (3).....2:24¾
The Lark (3).....2:18½ May Marian p (3)..2:24¾
Carl (2) .....2:19¾ Carlrich p (2) 2:24½
Miss Carlokin p ....2:20 El Carbine (2).....2:27½
Carsto (2) .....2:22½ Eileen C. (3) 2:29
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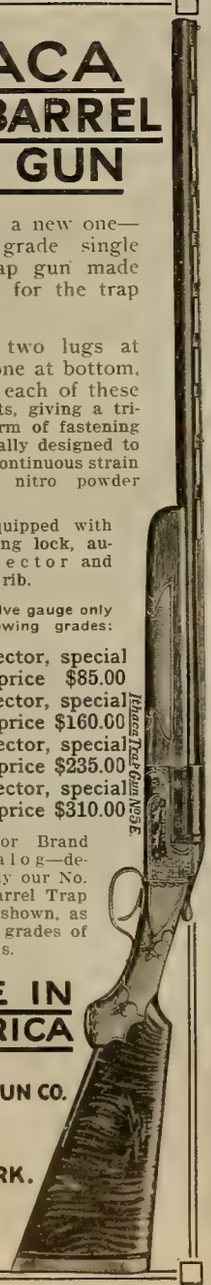
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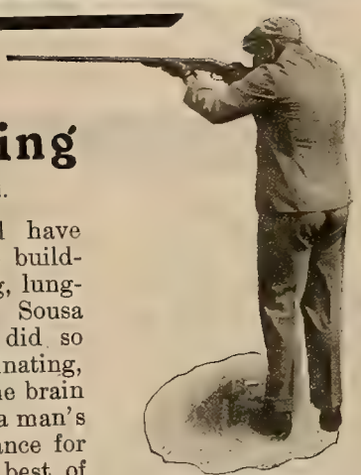
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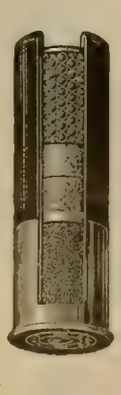
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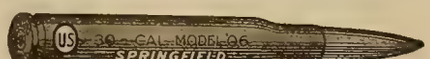
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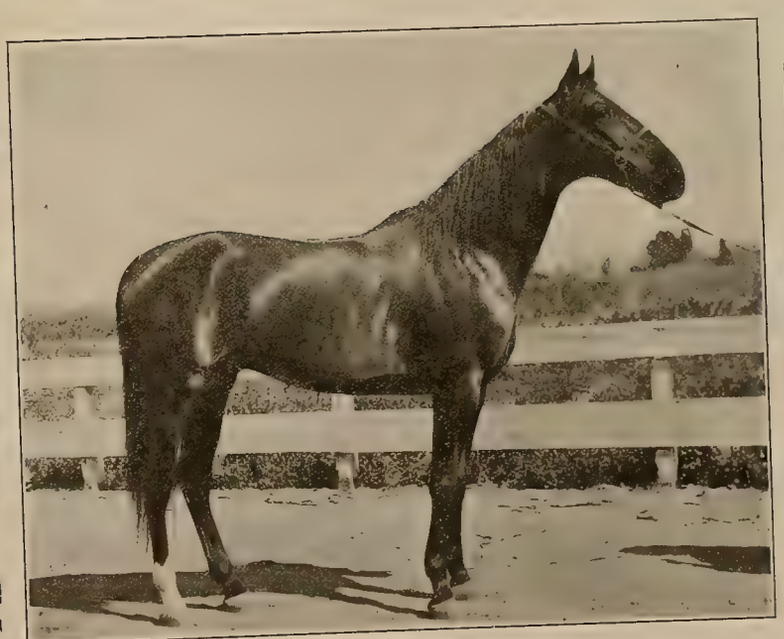






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Race Meetings, San Francisco, California, 1915

Given under the Auspices of the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders Association

ENTRIES CLOSE APRIL 1st, 1915

PROGRAMME:

SUMMER MEETING JUNE 5th TO 19th INCLUSIVE.

SATURDAY, JUNE 5

1. 2:30 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
2. 2:08 Class Pacing 5000
3. 2:08 Class Trotting 5000

TUESDAY, JUNE 8

4. 2-Year Olds Trotting (closed) $ 2000
5. 2:25 Class Pacing 2000
6. 2:13 Class Trotting 2000

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

7. 2:16 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
8. Amateur Free For All Trotting 1000
9. 2:11 Class Pacing 2000

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

10. 3-Year Olds Pacing (closed)...$ 3000
11. Driving Club Trotting, 2:20 class 1000
12. 2:25 Class Trotting 2000

FRIDAY, JUNE 11

13. 2:18 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
14. Driving Club Pacing, 2:15 Class 1000
15. 2:17 Class Pacing 2000

SATURDAY, JUNE 12

16. Driving Club Trotting, 2:30 Class .....$ 1000
17. 2:10 Class Trotting (will close June 1, 1915) 20,000
18. Free For All Class Pacing..... 5000

TUESDAY, JUNE 15

19. Amateur Trotting, 2:14 Class..$ 1000
20. Amateur Pacing, 2:20 Class.... 1000
21. 2:20 Class Pacing..... 2000

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

22. Two Year Olds Pacing (closed) $ 2000
23. 2:12 Class Trotting 2000
24. 2:13 Class Pacing 2000

THURSDAY, JUNE 17

25. Amateur Free For All Pacing $ 1000
26. 2:20 Class Trotting..... 2000
27. 2:17 Class Trotting 2000

FRIDAY, JUNE 18

28. 3-Year Olds Trotting (closed) $ 5000
29. 2:14 Class Trotting 2000
30. 2:19 Class Pacing 2000

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

31. 2:15 Class Pacing ....$ 2000
32. Free For All Class Trotting.... 5000
33. 2:06 Class Pacing (will close June 1, 1915)..... 20,000

Entries for all above races for the SUMMER MEETING close on April 1st, 1915, except Nos. 4, 10, 17, 22, 28 and 33.

FALL MEETING OCTOBER 30th TO NOVEMBER 13th INCLUSIVE.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

1. 2:20 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
2. 2:10 Class Trotting (will close June 1, 1915)..... 20,000
3. Occident Stake, 3 Y. O. Trotting (closed) 2500

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

4. 2:15 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
5. Free For All Driving Club Trotting 2000
6. 2:09 Class Pacing..... 2500

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

7. 2:12 Class Trotting .....$ 2500
8. Two Year Olds Trotting, Breeders Futurity (Closed)..... 1450
9. 2:12 Class Pacing 2000

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

10. 2:30 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
11. 2:15 Class Pacing 2000
12. Free For All Driving Club Pacing 2000

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4

13. 2:17 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
14. 3 Year Olds Trotting, State Fair Futurity (closed) 2000
15. 2:10 Class Pacing 2500

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5

16. 2:13 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
17. 2:25 Class Pacing 2000
18. Two Year Olds Pacing, State Fair Futurity (closed)..... 400

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

19. 2:08 Class Trotting .....$ 5000
20. 2:08 Class Pacing 3000
21. Three Year Olds Pacing, Breeders Futurity (closed)..... 1800

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8

22. 2:16 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
23. 2:24 Class Trotting..... 2000
24. Stanford Stake, 3 Y. O. Trotting (closed) 1200

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

25. 2:09 Class Trotting .....$ 2500
26. Two Year Olds Trotting, State Fair Futurity (closed)..... 600
27. 2:11 Class Pacing..... 2000

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

28. 2:19 Class Trotting 2000
29. Free For All Class Pacing..... 5000
30. 2:20 Class Pacing 2000

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11

31. 2:14 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
32. 2:17 Class Pacing 2000
33. Two Year Olds Pacing, Breeders Futurity (closed) 1200

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12

34. 2:11 Class Trotting .....$ 2500
35. 2:13 Class Pacing 2000
36. Three Year Olds Pacing, State Fair Futurity (closed)..... 1500

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13

37. Free For All Class Trotting....$ 5000
38. Three Year Olds Trotting, Breeders Futurity (closed).. 2800
39. 2:06 Class Pacing (will close June 1, 1915)..... 20,000

Entries for all above races for the FALL MEETING close on April 1st, 1915, except Nos. 2, 3, 8, 14, 18, 21, 24, 26, 33, 36, 38 and 39.

CONDITIONS FOR ALL RACES CLOSING APRIL 1st, 1915.

All races three heats, money divided 25 per cent to the first heat, 25 per cent to the second heat, 25 per cent to the third heat, and 25 per cent to the race according to rank in the summary. Money in each division 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. Should two or more horses be tied for first place at the completion of the third heat, such horses only shall contest in a fourth heat and money divided according to rank in the summary at the termination of that heat. A horse having won the first two heats and drawn or distanced in the third heat shall not lose position in the summary.

Nominators have the right of entering two or more horses in any race by the payment of two per cent. additional on each horse, but only one of the horses so entered to be started in the race, and the starter is to be named by 5 o'clock p. m. the day before the race is to take place.

Entries to close Monday, April 1st, 1915.

Nominators who make entries and ship horses from east of the Rocky Mountains will be given $50 towards the return to points east of the Rocky Mountains on such horses as start in any of the races and fail to win any money.

Entrance fee, three per cent, due at time entries close, two per cent. additional if not declared out on or before June 1, 1915, for the Summer Meeting and on or before August 1, 1915, for the Fall Meeting. Declarations must be paid in full at time of declaring out or declaration will not be accepted. Usual five per cent. additional from winners in all races except Futurity Stakes, Occident and Stanford Stakes.

Professional drivers will not be permitted to drive in Amateur and Driving Club Races.

The Management reserves the right to declare two starters a walkover. When only two start they may contest for the entrance money paid in, divided 66 2-3 per cent. to the first and 33 1-3 per cent. to the second horse. A horse distancing the field shall be entitled to first and fourth money only and in no other case will a horse be entitled to more than one money.

The Management reserves the right to change the hour and day of any race, except when it becomes necessary to antedate a race, in which instance the nominators will receive three days' notice by mail to address of entry.

The right reserved to reject any or all entries and declare off or postpone any or all races on account of weather or other sufficient cause.

Entries not declared out by 5 o'clock p. m. the day preceding the race shall be required to start and declarations must be in writing and made at the office of the Secretary at the track.

The Management reserves the right to start any heat after the fourth score, regardless of the position of the horses.

All Stakes are guaranteed by the Panama-Pacific International Exposition for the amount offered and are for the amount offered only.

Records made against time, i.e., breeders' records, and records made in a losing race, shall not be a bar to class eligibility.

Any horse that started in 1914 without improving its record, equaling its record and not winning a race, shall be entitled to one second.

The owner hereby releases the Panama-Pacific International Exposition from all liability of every kind and character on account of loss, damage or injury to horses or other property said owner may have on said Exposition grounds; and further agrees to abide by all the rules of the said Exposition, especially as to the use of track for working out as well as for racing, use of stalls, paddock, wearing of colors, uniforms, numbers and general conduct of all employees.

CONDITIONS FOR $20,000 STAKES—FINAL CLOSING DATE JUNE 1st, 1915.

SUMMER MEETING

No. 17—2:10 CLASS TROTTING.....$20,000
No. 33—2:06 CLASS PACING $20,000

FALL MEETING

No. 2—2:10 CLASS TROTTING $20,000
No. 39—2:06 CLASS PACING $20,000

ENTRIES MADE JUNE 1, 1915, $1000 TO START.

Horses to be named with entry. Entrance fee to accompany nomination. Horses must be eligible on Jan. 1, 1915, to stakes in which they are entered. Stakes divided $5000 to the first heat, $5000 to the second heat, $5000 to the third heat and $5000 according to rank in summary. Moneys divided 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. $20,000 Stakes mile heats, 3 in 5. No race longer than five heats, and moneys in races not decided before the fifth heat will be divided according to rank in the summary at the termination of the fifth heat.

A horse with a record shall be allowed one second for each year, if raced, in which it fails to equal or reduce its record or win a race, if same is claimed by the nominator when making the entry.

Time allowances according to National Trotting Association rules.

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I challenge any man to name a stallion with a broodmare inheritance approaching that of Derbertha Bells.—5 crosses to Green Mountain Maid (dam of 9 and Electioneer), 3 to Alma Mater (dam of 8 and 7 sires, including Alcyone and Alcantara), and 1 each to Miss Russell (dam of 7, including Maud S. 2:08¾ and 6 sires, including Nutwood), Dolly (dam of 4 and 5 sires, including Director, Onward and Thorndale), Beautiful Bells (dam of 11, including 4 world's champions and 10 sires) and Minnehaha (dam of 8 and 6 sires). These are pre-eminently the greatest mares of history in point of number of descendants in the standard list, besides 2 crosses to Bertha, the only mare with 2 in 2:04½, 5 in 2:10 and 13 in the list. Counting duplicates this pedigree contains the blood of 20 mares with an average of 9 performers each, and of the 14 mares appearing in the pedigree of two or more 2:10 trotters in 1910 this pedigree contains 8.

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DERBERTHA BELLS.....J. W. Pendleton, Oakland
EXPRESSIVE MAC 2:25½.....J. H. Nelson, Selma
JIM LOGAN 2:01¾.....J. Elmo Montgomery, Woodland
JOE PATCHEN II 2:03¼.....C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton
KINNEY DE LOPEZ 2:23.....Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet
MAHOMET WATTS 2:08¼....C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton
ONWARD McGREGOR (3) 2:23¼..B. Webster, Pleasanton
PETER McKLYO (3) 2:12½.....Jas. Thompson, San Jose
PRINCE ANSEL (2) 2:20½.....Harry Dowling, Woodland
ROBERT BINGEN 2:11¼.....Harry Dowling, Woodland
THE PROOF (2) 2:29¾....Keefer & Spencer, Pleasanton
VERNON McKINNEY 2:01½..C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton
WILBUR LOU (3) 2:10¼.....Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet
ZOMBLACK (2) 2:26.....C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton

Kalamazoo fell in line by making its ten-thousand-dollar trot for horses eligible to the 2:07 class.

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Adolph Ottinger and party motored to Pleasanton and return Sunday to give the Schwartz stable a bit of inspection.

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O-u-c-h! O. U. C. turned loose a mile Saturday morning at Pleasanton in 2:13½, 1:03¼, :30½! Chalk up the price another thousand bucks above our January quotation.

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Ed Parker at Pleasanton has recently added to his stable the two-year old trotting gelding Jack McDonald by Bon McKinney (3) 2:24¼ out of Jane McCrea by Nutwood Wilkes. The lad is staked in the Coast futurities and is owned by George Barber of Milpitas.

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For all particulars as to how to miss a train apply to C. A. Durfee. Do it over the phone or by mail, merely as a precautionary measure. You might learn just as much or more by a personal interview with the gentleman but there is a certain comfort in being safely out of range on certain occasions that makes life much more pleasant.

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J. L. Chandler of this city has turned over to Horace Feindel at Pleasanton for educational purposes the yearling colt purchased by him last fall from the Kirkpatrick estate's consignment to the DeRyder sale—Vernon Pointer by Vernon McKinney 2:01½, dam Poinsetta K. 2:25 by Star Pointer 1:59¼, second dam Flewy Flewy (dam of Charley D. 2:06¼, etc.) by Memo. The youngster is a dandy and unless the dope is all wrong he ought to make a genuine pacer.

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Homer Rutherford has bred Yu Tu by R. Ambush to Mahomet Watts 2:08¼. Yu Tu is the dam of his three-year-old trotter George N. Patterson that was a money winner last year in the Breeders futurity and looks now like he would furnish some hot competition in his engagements this season. Homer is just breaking a nice yearling by The Bondsman out of this mare, owned by Mrs. W. J. Porter of San Jose, and the lad is a nice big fellow and trots manfully. Lawrence Shuler has tried to maverick him at various times and if he turns up missing after the P.-P. I. E. meeting Homer will know where to look for him—in the Shuler car, eastward bound.

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Deciding that he would remain in the far west this season, Charley Spencer consigned to the Chicago sale the two mares left in the east when he returned from his last campaign in that section—Bonnie Princess 2:25½, trial 2:07½, by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, out of Woodland Bonnie Derby by Charles Derby 2:20, and Laura Rogers 2:11¼, trial 2:06¼, by Prince Ansel, out of Lauress by Mendocino. The former was bought by John Bauhart of Chicago for $260 and the pacing mare went to Geo. W. Raub of LaRue, Ohio, at $230. The pair hardly brought their value but sold well up with the general offerings, as of the 191 animals catalogued, less than one-fourth brought $200 or over, and only 17 sold in excess of the figure brought by Bonnie Ansel.

S. Christenson has booked to Onward McGregor (3) 2:23¼ the brood mare Perza (dam of June Pointer 2:10¼, Enchantress 2:29¾, etc.) by Allie Wilkes 2:15, dam Anglia (dam of four) by George Wilkes, etc.

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President George Gianinni of the San Francisco Driving Club now has Graham Bellini (3) 2:11¼, Ella M. R. 2:16¾ and Bradmont 2:17½ in training at Pleasanton, getting ready for the fun season that is due to begin in May.

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The Durfee filly Carleta by Carlokin continues to improve very fast and the price continues to climb, one thousand being the present quotation. If California buyers don't annex some of this stuff we will be inclined to consider folks kidders, pure and simple, when they drop in and say they are "on the buy."

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The Oakland owned horses Rapallo, Asa Pointer and a three-year-old gelding by Copa de Oro are now members of Will DeRyder's stable at Pleasanton, and if his string keeps on increasing Will will soon be a busier man than his kid brother, more or less known to fame under the name Charles L.

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A big combination sale will be held about the middle of April at Woodland Stock Farm at which buyers will have an opportunity for making purchases of the right kind of animals for various purposes at their own prices. Full particulars will be forthcoming in early numbers of the Breeder and Sportsman, and it will pay you to watch for the same.

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The Oakland butchers plan to hold a big Fourth of July picnic at Pleasanton Driving Park, with motorcycle races for the Sunday attraction and a nice card of harness horse events for the feature of the second day, with good money hung up. Final arrangements will be perfected and the program announced at an early date.

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Mr. Thomas Smith of Vallejo was a visitor in San Francisco last week, and is pleased with the spring showing of his good trotter Vallejo King 2:10½, in the stable of Sutherland & Chadbourn at Pleasanton. The King was a 2:10 trotter last year and a better one this year, apparently. Mr. Smith has bred several real high class trotters and still owns the sire of his present candidate, General John B. Frisbie, full brother to Vallejo Girl 2:10¼, Tom Smith 2:13¼, etc.

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J. H. Nelson of Selma writes that through his ad in the Breeder and Sportsman he located a number of high class Belgian stallions, and on last Saturday purchased of L. J. Wysner of Lindsay the imported stallion Cyrus de Fonteny 2609, winner of second prize in a class of 250 animals at Soygny in 1907, his sire and half sister both sweepstakes winners in previous seasons. Mr. Nelson reports that Expressive Mac 2:25½, and all his draft stallions and jacks are being well patronized, and that 1915 looks to him like a good year for breeders.

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Arawanna B. (dam of Sweet Princess 2:16½, Baby Gommet trial 2:12, etc.) is suckling a nice filly foal by Joe Patchen II 2:03¼ and has been bred to Mahomet Watts 2:08¼. She gives promise of becoming a famous matron and this cross ought to be a productive one, as she is by Sidney Dillon and out of Lily Stanley 2:17½ (dam of three) by Whippleton. Judging from the class of mares that are being mated to Mahomet Watts, the son of General Watts 2:06¾ and Alla P. 2:21½ should be long remembered in turf history in California.

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Leo Lynch of San Ramon moved into training quarters at Pleasanton the first of the month with the three-year-old filly Gleaming by Wonderlight, dam Lena Thorp by Prince Charles and the two-year-old colt Dr. Dyer by Vernon McKinney 2:01½, dam Rubric by Elyria 2:25½, sire of the dam of Soprano 2:03¾, etc., second dam Wayside 2:21½ by Ottawa Chief, both staked locally. Gleaming trotted to cart last year in 2:38, quarter in :36, while the Doctor paced as a yearling quarters in :36, eighth in :18, so that Mr. Lynch has a good foundation laid for going ahead with their education.

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D. E. Mizner has been awaiting the arrival of the Savage horses with much interest, as he wishes to see how they stack up with the members of the same class in his stable, one of which he considers the best trotter of her age and work that he has ever had. There are two that trace to the 1:55farm's premier. one of the four-year old bay gelding Dan M. Patch by Dan Patch out of a daughter of Harrison 2:18¼ (son of Ottawa Chief and Mary Wood by Richard Wheelock), and the other the filly referred to above, by Lynwood Wilkes and out of a sister to Dan M. Patch. Neither are much more than well broken but both have a good way of trotting that promises future profit for their owner. N. M. Moore of Healdsburg. The lass is not large but is nicely made and has a very determined way of trotting and a good brush that she ought to learn to carry all the way. Dan also has a green trotter belonging to Butch Walz of Healdsburg that is doing nicely—a five-year-old gelding by Kinney Lou 2:07¾ and out of Missie Medium, the dam of Bon Volante (3) 2:19¼, Le Voyage (3) 2:25¾, etc.—and expects to receive soon from his brother George in Portland a trotter by Shepherd Laddie that has worked in 2:14¼ in previous training.

We recommend to every horseman a careful perusal of the program of the big meetings at the exposition which appears, with all conditions, on a business page of this publication. Classes are provided for horses of all speeds, and are so arranged that in almost all cases a horse can get two, three, or even four starts. Entries close on April first for all the class events, and a number of horses have already been named straight through the meetings, present indications pointing to an excellent entry list for all events. Write for entry blanks if you are not already in possession of same.

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Millard Sanders sold to S. S. Bailey this week the green pacer O. U. C. which he has been developing for Lew Crellin, the price paid being $5,500. The big fellow was turned over at once and will be staked down east for Frank Childs to race, the Bailey-Childs combination planning to go 'em one more heat like they did with Leata J. In Sanders' hands the son of C. The Limit 2:03¼ and Rosie Woodburn 2:16 has come like a champion and in him Mr. Bailey has probably the best pacing prospect in California. Mr. Crellin has found this line of horses pretty profitable, as this lad brought him $5,500, his sire, C. The Limit 2:03¼, sold for $10,000, and his grandsire, Searchlight 2:03¼, fattened the Crellin bank balance to the tune of $15,000.

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Deputy Sheriff William G. Durfee of Los Angeles came up state last week on a business trip, returning Wednesday evening to resume speed making for the June meeting at the fair. Will has wintered well, to all appearances, and promises to ride some fast miles behind several members of his stable. Virginia Barnett has come around rapidly from the slight injuries received in her recent accident and Will expected to resume jogging her upon his arrival back home. Immediately after the lass got bunged up Rags was started on the repeat and the stable will take no chances on failing to have a worthy candidate for the 2:10 trots. All the young ones are coming fast, as a result of which there may be noted some price changes in the sale advertisement this week.

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The concensus of opinion is that Tim Sexton would have a right nice trotter in Future Tramp by Tramp-fast (2) 2:12½ if the lad only had a dam of some sort. Ain't it awful the way some of these "short bred ones" act? Here he is, a nice prospect ,and merely out of Future Princess Ideal (dam of The Ideal Lady 2:09¼, Future Fast (3) 2:26½, etc.) by Chimes, sire of eleven and the dams of twelve in 2:10; second dam Estabella (dam of Heir-at-Law 2:05¾ and five others, grandam of Ess H. Kay 2:00¼, Lady of the Manor 2:04¼, Princess Helen 2:05¾, etc.) by Alcantara 2:23, who never sired but six in 2:10 and whose daughters were such rank failures that they never raised but twenty that got into the charmed circle; third dam the great brood mare Annabel by George Wilkes, who never sired anything but about half of the book. The fourth dam is rotten, too—Jessie Pepper by Mambrino Patchen 58 who "sided" George Wilkes in his feeble efforts to produce something. Take away this trash and bring on something with some breeding!

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Mr. A. Albright Jr. of New York, who spends more or less time annually in California, has been a visitor at a number of local tracks recently and was much pleased with the plants and with the horses in training. Mr. Albright owns a half interest in the colt Nathan Axworthy 2:12½ that won six out of seven starts last year over the half-mile tracks down east as a four-year-old and promises to mature into an extra good trotter, and has ten or a dozen record horses and young things of his own, including the pacer Lake Gregory 2:10 by Red Lake 2:15¾, a four-year-old green sidewheeler by Baron Bel 2:11½, the three-year-old Kentucky Todd colt Toddling (2) 2:21¼, that went some nice races in the central west last year and trotted the Dallas track in 2:14, and the four-year-old green trotter Lois, that worked the Goshen track last year for Billy Dickerson in 2:14. She is by Guy Axworthy 2:08¾ and out of a full sister to May Earl 2:10¼ by San Mateo 2:13¼, grandsire of the champion pacer William (4) 2:00. Trainers Isaac Hully and Earl Pitman are handling most of the Albright horses, a number of which will be seen at the races this year. At the Midwinter Sale last week the four-year-old mare Helen the Great was purchased for the New Yorker by one of his agents and should prove a valuable acquisition, as she has shown considerable speed and is a daughter of Peter the Great 2:07¼ and Anita May by Highwood 2:21½, one of Nutwood's very best sons, second dam Hazel Cossack 2:16¼ by Don Cossack 2:28. Both matrons named, and also the third and fifth dams, are producers.

A GENEROUS RESPONSE.

It affords much pleasure to us to be able to announce that horsemen have been both prompt and liberal in their response to the appeal for aid for Mr. and Mrs. John McClintock, contributions from all quarters of the country having been transmitted to Mr. McClintock at Hesperia in the hope that his condition may be alleviated and some meed of modest comfort brought into his life to aid him in his plucky battle for health. We know that the cause is worthy, and that no money will be better spent, on the part of both donor and recipient.

Railbird Twitter

Signs of spring in California are not as marked as they are in other sections of this land of ours for the simple reason that there is less contrast in our seasons and the change from one to another brings no momentous alterations to our plans of daily existence. We do not have to go into ecstasies over the flowers that bloom in the spring, tra la, because we have flowers blooming all the year. Nor is the "first robin" a sign of big headlines in the daily press with us, as the first robin is with us from Christmas to Christmas with the exception, possibly, of those widely separated dates, the thirtieth of February and the thirty-first of September. Our main sign of spring among our feathered population lies in the greatly augmented bursts of song poured forth in steadily increasing volume by that "weather loving songster," the railbird. The railbird does not migrate, he is with us day in and day out—he simply changes the substance of his song as one season merges with another. In the summer, his lay is much like that of his eastern brethren, as is the case also in the fall; in the winter he is on hand at every track but his melody is subdued and pensive, reminiscent and historic in its composition; time has to some extent dimmed the luster of the victories and wiped away in a certain measure the sting of the defeats of a season gone. To the "casual observer" there is apparent in the winter's harmonies—and occasional discords—a most startling resemblance to the chorus emanating from the throats of those benighted attendants at a meeting of the Coal Stove Circuit in that "climatic paradise," the Windy City, when the "balmy breezes" from icebound Lake Michigan have reached a point in the severity of their gentle ministrations that sends the most hardened habitue of the open in search of a place by the fire or on the lee side of a steam heater, and even brings about a temporary cessation of hostilities between those two of our most esteemed contemps whose offices lie within (in)-haling distance of the storied perfumes of the stockyards.

In the spring, however, the influence of the season upon the railbirds' song is the same in California as in all other quarters of the harness horse world, with the slight difference that our birds change the tenor of their tunes some sixty to ninety days earlier than do the denizens of the "horsological gardens" of the Atlantic seaboard and inland points. Gone are the tales of yesteryear, sad or gay; no longer rise the odes of triumph in commemoration of a ticket cashed at Squedunk when Pushmataha Queen came from behind and nipped the heat and race from Itta Bena Belle and Mishawaka Maid; gone, too, are the sad, sad memories of that Black Friday at Frozen Dog Buttes when Micky the Flea in a disastrous moment of temporary mental aberration forgot to part the foretop of the Pride of Ponchatoula exactly in the center, thereby throwing him out of balance and causing his defeat in the deciding mile of the race in which he carried all the stable money! A whole new season is here—a whole new crop of green ones—hardly a stable in the land but has a trotter that has better than an even break for the M. and M., and as for pacers, why say, folks, there's nothin' to it. "What I'm tellin' you is that he can step any good track, any good track, mind you, so darned close to two minutes that there ain't no watch made that can get the difference, unless, of course, it happens to be on the fast side of it. Come back? Say, Directum I is a dog along side of this horse. William? Say, can that noise. That bird of Marvin's ain't got nothin' on this colt, an' look at how he's bred!" Do you get it? Sure you do—from Bangor, Maine, to San Diego, from Vancouver, B. C., to Tampa and all the way points you get it. If you don't get it in your home town, providing there is a railbird in your vicinity at all, you have picked out a darned bum place to live and you are entitled to sympathy.

All over California at present the clatter of flying feet and the "twitter" that is poured forth by every knot of fence riders form mighty welcome sounds. The rains, for the most part, are behind us, and the horses that have been kept in pretty good shape since December are working now from 2:20 to 2:30 in almost all cases, while certain ones are going still faster and stake colts and green ones are being asked for brushes at rates of speed that enable the owner, trainer and railbird to get a pretty fair line on what to look for later on in the season. Los Angeles has a good attendance every workout day and the Angelenos are not bashful at all in sending out tales of some sparkling work for this time of the year. Hemet, Riverside, Hanford, Fresno, Stockton, Sacramento, Woodland, San Jose, Santa Rosa, Pleasanton—every town where there is a horse in training—all look forward to the publicity that horses "made" on their tracks will get when the season is well under way.

Pleasanton, as the most popular wintering place in this section of the Golden Slope, affords the most interest for either the casual or the regular visitor, and scarcely a day goes by now that spectators are not on hand in considerable number. With these added to the "resident delegation" that never misses a trick, and with tricks galore being sprung at almost any minute from nine to two and others developing at odd hours, the boys on the fence find lots to talk about. Every day sees faster work, and in another month the boys will be reeling off some rattling miles.

Millard Sanders and Lew Crellin's pacer are responsible for a whole lot of the wonder tales that are being circulated at present, and they are not fairy tales either, for the clockers have let this bird put over nothing that they didn't have a line on. Early last week he unbelted a mile close to fourteen with the half just abaft the three hole, and on Saturday he went it a bit better, with the full distance in 2:13½, the half in 1:03¼ and the quarter in :30½. Incidentally, the C. The Limit horse hasn't any monopoly on showing two-minute-speed right now, as he started to go by Vernon McKinney on a fast finish in the stretch and Vernon had other ideas, as he hit his stride in about three lengths and the pair of them streaked it to the turn like a couple of runners. Vernon McKinney has all the whizz he ever had and is perfectly willing to show it almost any time.

May Davis 2:08¼ with Jud Smith up and Star Tilden with Hank Smith performing as usual worked some nice easy miles together very pleasingly during the time that the writer's feeble yip mingled with the sturdier barks of the tellers of bear stories last week, the fastest circuit being in 2:21 with the last quarter in :32. The Davis and Smith stables will probably both go to some good middle western circuit.

A pair that come in for a good deal of favorable comment from all quarters are Fleeta Dillon (2) 2:08¾ and Peter McCormick 2:08¾, in the stable of V. L. Shuler. They not only shipped out in fine shape but, like the members of the Shuler family themselves, have taken very kindly to California and are coming along steadily in their work. The mare has been over the MacKenzie track in 2:24 and the big trotter some three or four seconds faster. Peter's coat has brightened up and he has put on a bit of flesh since his arrival, and is making all sorts of friends for himself. Going slow he has the appearance of a genuine old-fashioned trotter, but when he moves up he is about as handy a big horse as they make 'em and a good looking one at that. His dam is Pearl Cecil by Cecil W. 2:28½ (son of Gambetta Wilkes and out of the dam of Eyelet 2:06½ by Nutwood), second dam Lilly Greene by Almont Archy (son of Almont 33 and Jessie Patchen by Mambrino Patchen 58), third dam Rose Steck by George Steck (by Strathmore, out of a daughter of Edwin Forrest), fourth dam Nancy by Post Boy 2:23, etc. Several brood mare owners have evidenced a desire to breed to him, but for this season at least the black fellow is in California for racing purposes only, leaving Peter McKlyo (3) 2:12½ as the only son of Peter the Great whose stud services are accessible locally.

Another of the easterners that is furnishing matter for some of the twitterings is Mahomet Watts 2:08¼. He has "had his" previously in a blind bridle, but DeRyder has worked him mostly with an open rig to which he has taken pretty well, but recently he was given a tryout with the old original blinds. Now Mahomet has certain well defined ideas of his own along with his speed and general quality, and it didn't take him long to evince a positive dislike to the change. By the time he got good and mad he was trotting a two-minute gait and taking some hold, so the boss decided to let him work the bile out of his system, the result being a squarely trotted quarter right at a flat thirty seconds. It is the open rig for his from now on and the big boss is confident that he is on the right track and that patience will make the fast fellow a wonderfully useful horse.

Maymack is the same "old pill" after her own peculiar fashion, and couldn't be doing much better. She got a nice work Friday with California B. (Bert Webster up behind the son of Athasham) and the pair trotted their last mile handily in about 2:20, with the half in 1:07. Anvilite pulled his cart over the route Thursday in 2:35, last quarter in :33, and the MacKenzie trotting mares Bertha Carey 2:08¼, Miss Perfection 2:08¼ and Astro Harvester are all working nicely. Zomblack is developing a lot of whizz at the pace and as he is getting rid of the meat he annexed during his letup he looks pretty rugged and racy, while the stable looks to have another high class green pacer in the four-year-old by Vernon McKinney, dam by Diablo, second dam the dam of Leata J. 2:03.

Homer Rutherford plans to join the eastward bound delegation after the P.-P. I. E. meeting with Geo. N. Patterson and Colleen, his Charley D.—Cricket pacer. She is well along and ready to drop to a mile in 2:10 on short notice and will soon be giving folks something to talk about, while the Patterson lad came through the stretch with O. U. C. the other morning in a manner highly flattering to the youngster. He is a nice cut of a horse, and if he has no untoward accidents ought to give a most excellent account of himself. Tango, Ed Parker's Lijero colt, is another three-year-old that the birds like, and worked last week in 2:33½, :33½ and :15½.

The Childs boys are riding easy with their strings and the Bailey horses, with all of them let down to between twenty and thirty. Most of them they have a good line on from previous seasons, and among the newcomers they are developing a healthy respect for the Montana horse with the Bar Box brand on him—R. C. H. 2:18. Marvin gave him his best mile Saturday in 2:27 with a half in 1:09 and the lad did it very nicely indeed. Tom Smith is picking up speed like a genuine come back and Major By By looks like he would stand the gaff this year. At any rate he and Hal Boy are being entered for Marvin to take down the big line, while Frank rather favors a combination of part Grand and part Great Western Circuits.

George Ramage teamed Clara Mills a bit Friday and Grace Fowler, the sister to Sonoma Girl, on Saturday, both mares showing to an advantage. Clara is a pretty well proven one and the regulars credit her as being a candidate for 2:05 honors, while the Fowler girl is learning and has reached a mile in 2:34½. Will DeRyder breezed Spriggan and Dicto through the stretch at a good clip and the former has the marks of a high class trotter. The Schwartz horses haven't set any track records since their arrival, but they are taking their work in good shape and dropping a bit from one work to the next. Lou Taylor is still on the forty side of thirty with his string, but drove Luana a nicely rated mile in 2:35½ and is making steady headway with the balance of the youngsters. Barney Simpson's mares are coming on for all the demands made and Al McDonald wears that kind of a smile whenever the railbirds cheep a few cheeps about his The Bondsman—Washington McKinney two-year-old trotter, which is quite often.

Frank Perry, the "wreck" that Frank Malcolm bought last fall for Bert Webster and George Ryan, is standing up manfully today, and if his jinx is broken Bert will give some folks a rude jolt with this horse later on. Madam Mac hasn't passed the forty point yet as she was not taken up until late, but looks good and has a fast brush on tap. Her education last year and a windup trial late in the season close to seven make her a promising green one for 1915 and the bunch touts her as a probable new fast one for Expressive Mac. Pedlar Direct, Mr. Longley's Baron Direct pacer, is making friends and speed steadily. Onward McGregor is getting some nice mares to serve, and if he stands up this year is the prospect of a right good trotter. A car accident en route to California is all that has delayed his faster development, and he is by nature a nice big colt, good tempered and speedy at the trot. Bert's young stuff also is all doing nicely and their Sidney Dillon matron, Miss Harris, promises to land in the table of great brood mares with a bump before many seasons.

H. E. Armstrong has not yet returned to Oregon, and is getting some nice rides behind Hal J. 2:09 and the other Jessie M. youngsters that Horace Feindel is handling. All the Jessie M. foals have plenty of lick and the Joe Patchen II filly looks so good that Mr. Armstrong bred the black daughter of Del Norte back to the MacKenzie favorite last week. Johano is coming along well and Horace is very proud of the foal by him recently dropped by Birdie, the dam of Bodaker.

Mel Keefer and Charley Spencer are rapidly approaching the point where they will be registering some fast performances, though going moderately at present. The Proof has worked his best mile so far in 2:26, with the half in 1:11 and the quarter in :35 and handles himself in a brush in a very nice way indeed. He is one of the very few of the Bingens in California and there is no need to go farther than Pleasanton to see the quality of his foals. The Charley Marley filly by him out of Nusta 2:23¼ by Nushagak is learning very rapidly and has gone the route in 2:45, 1:17, :37 and :18, which is a right nice showing for a lass of her age and education. She is entered at the June meeting at the fair in the two-year-old trot and Spencer promises some good man a horse race for the fifty per cent. Bonnie Ansel, the Brown entry for the big trot, has been asked for a mile in 2:29½ only but she is coming faster right along.

Tim Sexton and his father motored up from Oakland Saturday, Tim to work his trotter Future Tramp, in Henry Smith's stable, and the senior member of the firm for the pleasure of a day in the open with the men and horses quartered at the track. The "hobo horse," as the gang generally label—or libel—him is an honest little horse and meeting demands very satisfactorily. Smith with his Charley D. filly accompanied the Sexton hitch in a few nice easy miles, the fastest in 2:21 with the half in 1:09, Tim winning the heat handily by a couple of lengths with Henry putting up a startling lifelike imitation of a man "talking him back," explaining copiously that it was just a little faster than he wanted to work. This man Smith is some mechanic in his line, all right, and was doing very nicely until Tim spilled a jewel of wisdom to the effect that it must be a mighty poor owner that can't beat his trainer a few lengths early in the month with the preceding one's bill unpaid. Now Henry is laying for somebody.

Vernon McKinney has another good card at his home grounds in the two-year-old pacer Verna McKinney, out of Ramona, the dam of Del Rey 2:03¾. The lass reaches right out for more country in a very easy fashion and has worked in 2:34, last quarter in :34, while all the stable of any age is traveling below thirty. Zorene 2:10¼ and Zoetrix breeze through the stretch in midsummer fashion and the older members of the trotting contingent, Harold C., Bon Cress and Vallejo King, are picking up speed right along. Some of the other members of the Sutherland-Chadbourne string will also bear clocking from now on.

Lou Childs gets up behind one occasionally but his star performance is putting on every day or so his now famous specialty entitled "His Son's Younger Brother," Al Ruthven of Kansas City being one of the recent victims of L. A.'s perennial youthfulness. Ruthven, whose horses preceded him a few days, put

n an appearance at the track Saturday morning, and after giving his stable the once over, started out in tow of Charley Snow to make a few local acquaintances. About the first bunch of roosters that the pair ran into included Mr. Childs, whom Ruthven greeted warmly, being a young man himself, an old time acquaintance of Frank. "Oh, yes," he said heartily, "this is Frank's brother, the northwestern Murphy." The gang took it all in for a few moments before breaking it to the Missourian that his new acquaintance was the head of the family instead of the junior brother. Al enjoyed it as much as anyone and he has the satisfaction of knowing he isn't alone in his mistake, as Lou counts that week lost that passes without some stranger taking him for one of the boys.

Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy, dam Letter B. 2:17¼ by Ward B. has been booked to Mahomet Watts 2:08¼. She is owned by J. F. Dunne of Gilroy and is the dam of Cresto 2:12½, Dicto trial 2:08¼, etc.

THE PRODUCE OF MY IRENE S. (2) 2:28¾.

The recent sale of the yearling brother to Esperanza (3) 2:09 to Clarence J. Berry for a thousand dollars, emphasizes the fact that in My Irene S. her owner has one of the greatest young matrons in the land—one that bids fair to attain high rank among the producers of extreme speed.

My Irene S. was foaled in 1904, bred by F. W. Wadham of Nestor, California, who still owns her dam. She is a daughter of Petigru 2:10½ and Johana Treat 2:24¾ by Thomas Rysdyk and is a full sister to A. Ottinger's good double gaited campaigner, Zulu Belle, who will doubtless achieve fame as a brood mare herself when her racing days are over. The chestnut filly passed from the Wadham to the Durfee stables, and late in November was given a time record of 2:28¾ at Los Angeles as Irene S., the "My" being necessarily prefixed at the time of registration on account of conflict.

In 1908 she was put to breeding and was mated with Zolock 2:05¼, the result of the mating being the chestnut mare Zorene 2:10¼ now in the stable of Sutherland & Chadbourn at Pleasanton. Zorene was originally trained by Mr. Durfee on the trot and when an even two years of age traveled a half mile at that gait in 1:10. She was disposed of in a trade which her breeder estimates at this time to have made him enough to call the filly sold in excess of the thousand dollar mark.

The following year began her matings to Carlokin 2:07½, her first foal to the cover of the son of McKinney and Carlotta Wilkes being the black colt Carlos (2) 2:29½, sold at auction for $1000, money winner in two futurities as a two-year-old and close up as a three-year-old in 2:11¼, with work to his credit that season in 2:12½. Next came the bay filly Esperanza (3) 2:09, sold to Mr. Berry at eleven months of age for $1500, and whose performances as a two- and three-year-old have been unequaled on the Pacific coast. Again bred to Carlokin she produced the trotter Carl (2) 2:19¾, sold as a yearling to Wm. Loftus for an even thousand. This lad took his record in a time performance at Los Angeles in July, was second to Byron in the junior division of the State Fair futurity, winning one heat in 2:23¼, finished fourth in the Pleasanton futurity, and after his return home trotted the Los Angeles track in 2:14¾. He is highly regarded as a candidate for this year's stakes.

In the spring of 1912 before the departure of the Durfee stable for their eastern campaign she was bred to the great colt trotter Manrico 2:07¼ and in due time dropped the chestnut colt Manuelito, which Mr. Berry paid $1200 for when but a week old. That he didn't go wrong in staying by the foals of his favorite has been pretty well proven by the showing made so far, as the lad pulled a cart a half as a yearling in 1:14, with the final eighth in :17½, and his owner has refused $2000 for him. This refusal is not "hearsay," as the writer has a buyer for the lad at that price, and if the gentleman from Alaska has changed his mind he has only to drop in and get a draft and turn over the colt.

The next foal—and, incidentally, Mr. Berry's latest purchase—was Troubadour by Carlokin, now twelve months old and just turned over to Mr. Berry. He is a nice youngster, just broken, and a healthy profit would be necessary to "start anything" in the way of a sale. Another baby to the cover of Carlokin is now about a month old, a filly, and for this lass Mr. Durfee has refused an offer of six hundred dollars some ten days ago.

The record established by My Irene S. up to the present time is a truly remarkable one on many counts. Every one of her foals has had trotting speed of high order, and of the four first foals every one could trot a half in 1:10 or better as two-year-olds, a performance which the present two-year-old will undoubtedly equal or surpass. Her first foal paced last year in 2:08, and every one started has achieved a standard record and won money, while Esperanza has set a mark previously unapproached in the west by being a most excellent two-year-old and an unbeaten three-year-old. She has never failed to raise a colt since put to breeding, and as she is but eleven years of age and is now suckling her seventh foal she has everything in her favor for setting a new record for speed production. To date, Mr. Durfee has sold youngsters from her that brought in $6700 in all and left the purchasers well satisfied.

Even if it is "dog days" in the horse business in California, the right kind still pay a handsome profit.

Jim Logan 2:01¾

Among the many families of the light harness horse that have been established with marked success in California, there have been few that surpassed that of Charles Derby 2:20 in the production of the "every day" kind that went out and paid a profit with exceptional regularity in all kinds of weather, on all kinds of tracks, and in all kinds of company. For all of this, of course, there is that most excellent foundation—the Strathmore-Electioneer cross, of whose potency the branch of the trotter under consideration is the most striking example.

Bred to Strathmore by her owner, R. G. Stoner of Paris, Kentucky, the mare Abbess by Albion first produced Steinway (3) 2:25¾ (whose record, made in 1879, was a world's mark at that time) and, the year following, Solo 2:28¾. Brought to California by Daniel Cook the bay horse gave early evidence of his worth as a sire, two of his earliest foals in his new home being Charles Derby 2:20 and Strathway 2:19, both of whom were to achieve signal success in future years. Cricket, the first 2:10 pacing mare, was begotten by Steinway from a mare of no known trotting blood, and the world's champion three-year-old pacing stallion, Klatawah 2:05½, was the produce of one of his matings with Katy G. by Electioneer, the cross of breeding which was also productive of Charles Derby 2:20 and Steineer 2:29½. It is a marked coincidence that Charles Derby should in his turn become sire of the youthful speed marvel, Jim Logan, who was to share with Klatawah in future years the three-year-old laurels. There is this marked difference—Klatawah reached the zenith of his racing career at the age when Jim Logan's was just beginning. Klatawah failed to come back; Jim Logan not only "came back" but has kept coming back year by year, with a five-year-old record of 2:04¼, six 2:03¼, seven 2:02¾, and eight 2:01¾, all winning race records.

Backed by the gait controlling, potent blood of Strathmore and Electioneer, it was but natural that Charles Derby should establish a family for himself. His first foal trained was begotten when he was a three-year-old, the initial performer being Diablo 2:09¼, one of his best sons. Incidentally, Bertha by Alcantara, greatest of western matrons, owed a surprising portion of her fame to the happiness of her matings to Charles Derby, his sons, or his sire. To the cover of Steinway she produced the double gaited Elf 2:22¼ trotting, 2:12½ pacing; mated with Charles Derby she gave birth to Diablo 2:09¼, Ed Lafferty 2:16½, Demonio 2:11¼, Don Derby 2:04¼, Arner 2:17¾, and Derbertha 2:07½, while from the cross to Owyhee came Bernice 2:25¾ and Owyho 2:07¼.

Reckoned in terms of 2:30 performers the family has a very large representation, but the figures that mean the most to present day breeders are the ones that can be classified as "2:10 or better," and it is on this basis that consideration is given to the doings of the Charles Derbys. Headed by Jim Logan 2:01¾, the select members of the first generation appear as follows: Jim Logan 2:01¾, Don Derby 2:04½, Captain Derby 2:06½, Queen Derby 2:06¾, Much Better 2:07¼, Dan Logan 2:07½, Derbertha 2:07¾, Derby Princess 2:08½, Margaret Derby 2:09 and Diablo 2:09¼, while daughters of Charles Derby have produced Gracie Pointer 2:07¾ and the good trotter Brilliant Girl 2:08¼

Twelve sons have become sires of standard speed, of which number four have begotten 2:10 speed, while others have performers only fractional parts of seconds removed from the coveted mark. Don Derby 2:04½ is represented by Castanada 2:09¾; Owyhee 2:11 is credited with Owyho 2:07¼; Demonio 2:11¼ has Mona Wilkes 2:03¼, Airlie Demonio 2:05½, Denervo 2:06½, Nordwell 2:08½, Oro Mo 2:09¼, Memonia 2:09½, Demonio Wilkes 2:09¾ and Ramona, the dam of Del Rey 2:03¾, while his full brother Diablo finds included among his get such good ones as Sir Albert S. 2:03¾ (half brother to Jim Logan 2:01¾ and Dan Logan 2:07½), Sir John S. 2:04½, Clipper 2:06, John R. Conway 2:07, Daedalion 2:08½, Diablito 2:08½, Tom Carneal 2:08½, Chiquito 2:10 and the dams of Chiquita 2:08½, Little Lucille (3) 2:09, and Ginger 2:10. Dan Logan is the sire of John Malcolm (2) 2:11½, a world's record when made, and others, and the most recent comer to the ranks of the speed siring sons of Charles Derby is Jim Logan himself.

Jim Logan has been too busy as a race horse to have become by this date the father of a large and flourishing family—qualify that statement, for though the family is not large it certainly is flourishing. Probably four foals by Jim Logan have ever received the slightest handling for speed prior to the present season, all of whom showed natural speed and of whom but one was ever trained with the expectation of racing. This one lone campaigner of an illustrious dad is the filly Maxine (3) 2:15, winner of the three-year-old pacing division of the Breeders futurity in 1914, her only engagement. She gave evidence of the justice of her sire's claim to recognition as a true representative of his line by pacing a trial mile in 2:09, with the half in 1:01 and the quarter in :29. With other Jim Logans and the old warrior himself she is in the stable of Elmo Montgomery at Woodland being fitted for some real racing this season, and anyone calling to investigate the merits of the get of the son of Charles Derby and Effie Logan can be "shown" very readily and convincingly.

Potent as is the blood of Charles Derby, the Montgomery champion does not rely upon that alone, as through his dam he comes from lines that have for four generations been productive of extreme speed. Effie Logan's three developed foals have an average record of 2:04¼, and her dam, Ripple, was a daughter of Prompter, sire of the dam of Graft 2:02¼, famous for his speed and gameness; Grace, dam of Ripple, produced also Daedalion 2:08¼, Eagle 2:19½ and Creole 2:15, sire of Javelin 2:08¼, and was by Buccaneer, sire of the dam of the trotter Dr. Leek 2:09¾, etc. Mary, fourth dam of Jim Logan, was one of the very best daughters of Flaxtail, being the dam of Apex 2:26 (sire of the second dam of Clara Mac 2:04½, etc.) and Lettie, who produced Welcome 2:10½ and Wayland W. 2:12½, sire of California's fastest racing pacer, Bolivar 2:00¾. With an inheritance of this kind it is more readily understood why Jim Logan has been able to remain a race champion to this day, why he is again preparing for a strenuous season, and why he should in coming years achieve an enviable standing among the progenitors of extreme speed.

SIDE MONEY ON THE BIG STAKE.

[Robert A. Smith, Correspondent.]

One of the matters of interest to bridge over the chasm between the two seasons is a wager made, as the result of a discussion, at Exposition Park recently, between Will Durfee and Saml. Watkins, upon the nature and relative merits of the pacing mares Little Bernice 2:06¼ and White Sox 2:06¼, both daughters of the expatriated stallion Del Coronado 2:09½.

Durfee emphasized the statement that the written history of Watkins' mare Little Bernice as a three-year-old was too much forward, while that recorded of her as a four-year-old was too much backward. Watkins, being sufficiently conscientious and loyal to his mare, said that while she might not be equal to the duplication of the performances of Dan Patch 1:55¼ for the reason that the rules do not now recognize windshield records, and admitting that the events he finds recorded of her four-year-old career are not of dramatic interest to race followers, that her four-year-old racing was fragmentary and vague and is free to concede and adjust the detail to coincide with Durfee's views, but the light her three-year-old races cast on her normal condition and generally prevalent ability has instilled in him the vivid and satisfactory thought that she is essentially better than any of the pacers yet produced in California and especially White Sox, and in this thought he does not like to be repudiated. Each one aspiring higher and to have an eminently respectable claim to a better position than the other, in the $20,000 stake for 2:06 class pacers to be raced in June at the big meeting to be given in connection with the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, a wager was made of five hundred against two-fifty—Watkins writing the check for the larger amount. Their merits must not, of necessity, be tested by the actual results of the race, as in the event either one does not start the one starting collects. Durfee will be guide for White Sox, while Watkins, who has owned her since she was a two-year-old and drove her in several of her winning races, will steer Little Bernice.

It appears at present, in view of a perusal of the racing qualities of both mares, that the demands on the resources of both teamsters will be taxed to the utmost, and that their task of conditioning and training the mares for the contest will be so fascinating and so comprehensive that it will doubtless absorb their whole energies in their dreams. Both mares are sound, big and stout and acting perfectly in their preliminary work. The contemplated inspiring aspect of the contest between Del Coronado's daughters will be watched with much interest by their respective admirers, for as usual, horsemen are deeply divided in their sympathies and tastes. Who is qualified to discern the future relative merits of any two pacers?

THE GREAT WESTERN CIRCUIT.

The stewards of the Great Western Circuit met in Chicago on the twenty-fourth of last month and arranged the circuit dates for the season of 1915, beginning at Cleveland on July 19 and ending up at Phoenix on November 13. Small change was made from the customary schedule, save that Dubuque and Burlington were assigned the time previously given Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo, so that Cleveland and Detroit are the only points where the Grand and Great Western Circuits merge. Fifteen weeks of racing is provided as follows:

Cleveland, Ohio	July 19-24
Detroit, Mich.	July 26-31
Peoria, Ill.	August 2- 7
Burlington, Iowa	August 9-14
Galesburg, Ill.	August 16-21
Dubuque, Iowa	August 23-28
Des Moines, Iowa	Aug. 27-Sept. 3
Hamline, Minn.	September 4-11
Milwaukee, Wis.	September 12-18
Springfield, Ill.	September 20-25
Sedalia, Mo.	Sept. 27-Oct. 3
Muskogee, Okla	October 4- 9
Dallas, Texas	October 16-31
Phoenix, Ariz.	November 8-13

CLEVELAND'S EARLY CLOSERS.

Sweepstakes races for colt trotters are the outstanding features of the early-closing event program for the Cleveland meeting, which opens the Grand Circuit of 1915. Two of the events are for three-year-olds, and the third is for two-year-olds. In each the sum of $500 is added by the company, and all the money paid in, plus the added money, is raced for. One of the three-year-old events is a free-for-all, and the other is for colts eligible to the 2:18 class. The two-year-old event is open to all colts. The payments are $10 March 15, $20 April 15, $30 June 15, and there will be no extra charge to money winners. In the two-year-old trot, there will be but two heats. The total purse will be evenly split and raced for in two heats, the division in each heat being on the basis of 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent., and any colt may be drawn after the first heat without losing what he may already have won.

The purses for aged horses are $3,000, and are for 2:09 trotters, for trotters that never beat 2:13¼ in a race, and for 2:10 pacers. The first payment is but $15, and the final payment of 2½ per cent. ($75) does not fall due until June 15.

In making up this program of early-closing events, the Forest City Live Stock and Fair Company is following an idea which has taken deep root among track managers and campaigners, which is that less money should be offered in early-closers and more money offered in purses. An association can afford to give about so much, and the question is how best to distribute it. The general opinion is that there should be no further discrimination against the horses which are not provided with stake engagements. Hence, Cleveland, while cutting down its stake offerings, will increase its purse offerings, thereby doing the greatest good to the greatest number.

J. MALCOLM FORBES AND ETAWAH.

It is very evident that the meeting of the Panama-Pacific Exposition will attract more than one of the more powerful stables, as I have been told that, in addition to Tommy Murphy, who may take the champion Directum I 1:58, as well as the green pacer Peter Farren 2:10, which horse, by the way, was not far from a 2:02 trial last autumn, Mr. Geers is likely to be seen on the slope. Peter Farren, after being converted to the pace, brushed a quarter in 28½ seconds in his three-year-old form, and Murphy and Scott Hudson, who is interested in him even if he is not the actual owner, regard the son of Peter the Great 2:07¼ as a coming two-minute pacer, and feel that he is quite capable of holding his own in one of the richest purses to be given during the summer in California. If Geers goes west he is sure to make his presence felt and it is not unlikely that the stallion J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, if all goes well with him, will be a starter in good company in the land of sunshine and flowers. Should Etawah find himself in California, he may gain the laurels that go with a championship record, for the atmosphere is such in that state that a trotter can invariably do better than in this section of the country. It has been stated that the son of Al Stanley 2:08¼ has trotted his last race, and if this is final there will be no meeting between the two greatest trotters in training, and, instead, each will attempt to reach the coveted goal, to use the expression once applied to the two-minute mark.—Hawley, American Horse Breeder.

MID-WINTER SALE.

The mid-winter sale of the Fasig-Tipton Company was held early last week at Madison Square Garden, with many yearlings in the offerings. About 250 horses in all were disposed of at an average figure close to $280, a few instances being noted of youngsters that did not happen to take the public's fancy selling considerably below one hundred dollars. The yearling demand for the most part was excellent, the sale being topped by the bay colt Sanardo by San Francisco 2:07¾, who was knocked down to A. H. Cosden for the nice sum of $3,200. The lad is entered in eight of the eastern colt classics and comes from a worthy maternal line, his dam being by Mobel 2:10¼ and out of the dam of Tenara 2:05¾, Charmond 2:10¼, etc. Real Lady by Moko, out of Fruity Worthy by Axworthy, also went to Mr. Cosden at a good figure, $2,200. The Walnut Hall Farm disposed of a total of forty-seven head at an average price of $361, the youngsters by San Francisco again bringing a better average—$445—than those by his illustrious stud companions. The first of the Manrico's went into good hands at fair figures.

The Curles Neck Farm yearlings were in good demand and a few first performances by them will bring their future prices up to a really excellent figure. Virginia Lou, out of Lou Dillon 1:58½, sold to John Ryan of Ottawa, Canada, for $700, Canadian buyers taking quite a number that suited them. The Hudson River Farm was a good buyer, and Curles Neck Farm selected a few high class mares to be added to the band of matrons already assembled at the home of The Harvester. One of the tops of the sale was the two-year-old filly Rose Knight, staked in the main futurities, by Border Knight 2:12¼, dam Rose Manning by Chatterton 2:18. She showed fast as a yearling, and was taken for $3000 by George W. Leavitt of Boston.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

GREAT INCREASE IN EXPORTS.

It is of considerable interest to note that the trade in Percheron horses shows an appreciable increase in spite of war, foot and mouth disease, and drop in prices on cloven hoofed animals, which depressed trade in general.

During February, 1914 the Percheron Society of America cleared 1101 transfers; for February, 1915, 1192 transfers. Trade so far in March shows steady gains.

Importations of pure bred draft horses from abroad amounted to nine thousand one hundred and three head in 1911, 1912 and 1913. This made an everage of about one and one-half million dollars' worth of breeding draft horses annually, for which American gold was spent abroad. These importations are now wholly shut off and probably will be for years to come.

About eight or nine thousand American bred Percherons are now annually produced and recorded. The registration of pure bred draft horses of the other draft breeds — Clydesdale, Shire, Belgian, French Draft and Suffolk—amounts to approximately four thousand animals annually, so that only twelve to thirteen thousand pure bred draft American bred horses are being produced annually, and recorded. As the sex runs about half and half, this means that but six thousand pure bred draft stallions of all breeds (approximately) are now being produced annually. This is a small number in proportion to the twenty-three million horses owned in the United States, and it is inevitable that prices must rise on good pure bred draft sires of any breed.

The marvelous gain in exports of horses is the most marked development of the general trade. Total exports of horses from the United States to other countries (per data supplied us by the Bureau of Foreign Commerce, U. S. A.) amounted to but one million two hundred eighty-six thousand, three hundred and sixty-nine dollars ($1,286,369) for the last five months of 1913. During the last five months of 1914 exports totaled fifteen million, four hundred thirty-nine thousand, six hundred and four dollars ($15,439,604), a gain of more than fourteen million dollars. Tabulated, our exports by months for the last five months of 1914 are:

Month.	No. Head Horses.	Value.
August	804	$ 96,706
September	7146	999,267
October	12091	1,918,433
November	18071	5,034,353
December	30687	7,390,845
	78799	$15,439,604

WESTERN NATIONAL DAIRY SHOW.

The organization of the Western National Dairy Show, at Seattle, November 8-13, 1915, will be of more than passing interest to breeders and dairymen of the coast. The promoters of the enterprise have gone about the work carefully, and before announcing plans of any sort interviewed many prominent men interested along breeding or dairy lines and apparently obtained a hearty and unanimous endorsement of the plan. While the breeders of dairy cattle do not intend to lessen their interest in the fairs and other livestock exhibitions, they feel that the industry has reached the stage where they can have one event during the year devoted entirely to dairy cattle, products, appliances and processes.

No stronger board of directors has been named for any enterprise of the Northwest, and the plan is to add to the directors until the board has reached a hundred, to comprise men interested directly in the industry.

The temporary directors are: D. S. Troy, Chimacum; E. R. Brady, Satsop; E. E. Flood, Rosalia; John L. Smith, Spokane; H. C. Davis, Granger; A. L. Gile, Chinook; J. W. Clise, E. A. Stuart, A. L. Brown, H. E. Turner, J. V. Sheppard, and A. N. Henderson of Seattle. Jno. W. Pace, well known in connection with northwestern fairs, will be secretary and manager.

The plan for a big dairy show, national in scope and western in management, has received the endorsement of the Washington Dairymen's Association, the Purebred Livestock Association and the various dairy cattle clubs.

In speaking of the matter Senator Troy, acting as chairman of the organizing and directing committee, said: "There has been nothing but encouragement wherever the Western National Dairy Show has been mentioned among dairymen, and I believe it will prove to be a big enterprise and one that will enlist the interest of breeders all over the Northwest. Those of us engaged directly in dairying realize its progress but it is certain that a small percentage of the business men realize the tremendous strides being made by the dairy industry in the states of the Pacific slope. It is so rapidly assuming a place at the head of all industries as to warrant an exhibition devoted exclusively to dairying and its products."

The Western National Dairy Show has been capitalized at $50,000, stock of which is being taken by those directly interested in the industry. It is planned to offer prizes for either four or five breeds of dairy cattle with an average prize list of $1500 for each breed. This is almost as large as the offerings of the National Dairy Show.

The dates of the 1915 dairy show have been fixed to follow the dairy division of the Panama-Pacific exposition which releases dairy cattle on Oct. 30th, giving shippers a week in which to move and rest their cattle for the Western National Show. It is predicted that in addition to the northwestern cattle shown, the prize herds of the East participating at the Panama-Pacific exposition will be exhibited, giving the thousands of people who are unable to attend the San Francisco exhibition an opportunity to see them.

Offices have been opened in Seattle by the Manager and Secretary at 612 Mutual Life Building, where correspondence may be addressed.

GEERS! MURPHY! CATON!

(Is their endorsement worth anything?)

Memphis, Tenn., Jan. 21, 1915.

California Track Harrow Co.,
Kalamazoo, Mich.,

Gentlemen: I have used your implements on both track and road and consider them as good or better than any made.

With best wishes, I remain,

Yours truly,

E. F. GEERS.

Po'keepsie, N. Y., Jan. 10, 1915.

Dr. A. A. Guerne, Kalamazoo, Mich.

Dear Sir: Yours at hand and note what you ask in regard to my experience with the California track harrows. In reply, will say from my personal experience I don't think there is but the one harrow and that is yours. If a man understands operating them he can put a track in most any kind of condition he wishes and one who can afford to be connected with a track can't afford to be without one of your harrows.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I am

Very truly yours,

THOS. W. MURPHY.

Russia's most famous turfman, Mr. Frank Caton, spent Feb. 5th and 6th at Kalamazoo, Mich., looking over the different California Track Harrows. He ordered four to be sent to him at Moscow, Russia.

Ted Hayes writes from Butte under date of March 3rd, giving the pleasing information that Bon Courage (2) 2:12¾ is to be raced again this year, and that if all goes well he will make two or three starts at the June meeting at the exposition. Henry Peterson wintered the son of Bon McKinney and Helen Keyes at Los Angeles, though our correspondent there overlooked him in the big bunch in his recent news letter, and will begin giving him slow work this month, it being the owner's intention to come down some weeks in advance of his engagements and administer the finishing touches of his prep in person. Bon Courage has a great turn of speed, as his numerous duels with Esperanza duly attest, and he will be warmly welcomed by a large number of California admirers when he appears again in June. Apropos of the action recently taken by the Montana legislators abolishing betting on horse racing, Ted says it is the "old old story" of long protracted running meetings and an inordinate greed on the part of promoters of racing. "It would have been an easy matter to have had a bill passed allowing six days in each county with betting," he writes, "but this did not suit the running horse bunch; they wanted it all or nothing and they finally got nothing." Rather reminiscent of the situation in another state we all know, isn't it? It seems strange that the American people have such a hard time attaining the balance of affairs achieved by older countries, but it will come to us some day. In the meantime the present generation grows old fighting an up-hill game, but there seems no immediate help for it.

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Clarence J. Berry has been spending a bit of time in Los Angeles recently and while there purchased the yearling colt Troubadour, brother to Esperanza (3) 2:09, etc., from Will Durfee for a thousand dollars. Mr. Berry has almost a monopoly on the produce of My Irene S. and not one so far has turned him down, as all have shown true quality and the one filly has paid for the bunch. Incidentally, the Berry-Durfee combination promises to be right there in this year's stakes with the My Irene S. two- and three-year-olds.

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Rags, according to last week's Breeder and Sportsman, is a much older horse than was generally supposed, or else one of those miracles happened and a certain sire whose racing days are long, long gone did a "comeback" unrivaled in history. At any rate we had the Durfee horse trotting second to Allerton, which you will admit, Genevieve, was "some trot" for one or the other of 'em. On investigation we find that it was Albaloma instead of Allerton—as everybody already knew, anyway. The intertype operator has kindly shouldered the blame as an incident in making a rush revision on a proof, and we haste to alibi ourselves before some of our genial friends or eastern contemps make us the fall guy for racing a dead one, as they endeavored to do in the matter of Guy Borden and the 2:06 pace. These little things add much to the gayety of affairs in general and the harm done is not overly serious, so with these slight remarks the writer and the operator beg pardon and promise never to do it again—never again—until next time. This ought to satisfy everybody.

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The Salinas Driving Club recently elected J. N. Anderson president, N. A. Holaday secretary, Worthington Parsons treasurer, and Dr. J. P. Nichols veterinarian. Hostilities for the campaign of 1915 will commence on May Day, when the club will hold a one-day meeting with a card of four races for which a goodly entry list is already assured.

PACIFIC BREEDERS FUTURITY STAKE No. 15.

One hundred and twenty-eight second payments were made on March 1st in Pacific Breeders Futurity Stake No. 15, for foals of 1915, as follows:

D. A. Allen's foal by Leonid, dam Almah McKinney by McKinney.

J. N. Anderson's foal by Peter the Great, dam Della Derby by Chas. Derby.

C. A. Arvedson's foal by Prince Ansel, dam Constancia by McKinney; foal by McAntara, dam Colusa Maid by Sutter.

E. T. Barnette's foal by Carlokin, dam Zephyr by Zombro; foal by Copa de Oro, dam Phyllis Barnette by Director General.

C. J. Berry's foal by Carlokin, dam De Ora by Copa de Ora.

I. L. Borden's foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Ramona by Prince Robert; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Roberta by Robert I; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Miss Nutwood by Nutwood Wilkes; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Hester McKinney by McKinney; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Ella G. by Hamb. Wilkes; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Cleopatra by Zolock; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Directola by Direct; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Maude Adams by Cresco Wilkes; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Dolly B. by Welcome.

Robt. S. Brown's foal by Allen Jay, dam Mercedes by Dictatus.

Chas. Butters' foal by The Bondsman, dam Lottie Lynwood by Lynwood W.

J. J. Campbell's foal by Robert Bingen, dam Kate Kopje by Cresceus; foal by Bon Cres, dam Silver Fir by Silver Bow.

S. Christenson's foal by The Bondsman, dam Reina Directum by Rey Direct.

Chas. Cook's foal by Onward McGregor, dam Gypsy C. by Nutwood Wilkes.

S. H. Cowell's foal by Panama, dam Harvest Queen by Silver Arrow; foal by Panama, dam Zaza by Henry Nutwood.

R. R. Dalzell's foal by Leonid, dam Cloudlight by Searchlight.

Chas. L. DeRyder's foal by Joe Patchen II, dam Arawanna B. by Sidney Dillon.

Wm. E. Detels' foal by Geo. N. Patterson, dam Daphne McKinney by McKinney.

Dr. Wm. Dodge's foal by Bon McKinney, dam Johanna R. by Limonero.

J. Doran's foal by Joe Patchen II, dam Azwalam by Searchlight.

Jas. F. Dunne's foal by Tom Smith, dam Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy.

W. G. Durfee's foal by Carlokin, dam Atherine by Patron; foal by Carlokin, dam Blanche Hall by Directum Penn; foal by Copa de Oro, dam Christianita by Zolock; foal by Carlokin, dam My Irene S. by Petigru; foal by Copa de Oro, dam May Marion by Carlokin; foal by Copa de Oro, dam Dixie W. by Zolock; foal by Copa de Oro, dam Pavlowa B. by Petigru; foal by Carlokin, dam Honey Healey by Zombro.

Revel Lindsay English's foal by Kinney de Lopez, dam Lady Bertha by Constantine.

Byron Erkenbrecher's foal by Copa de Oro, dam Reta H. by McKinney.

E. A. Gammon's foal by Peter McKlyo, dam Cleo Dillon by Sidney Dillon.

Alex. Grant's foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Sona by McKinney.

Geo. F. Heilbron's foal by Lijero, dam Califa by Silver Bow.

Hemet Stock Farm's foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Eradiate by Geo. W. McKinney; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Fiesta Queen by On Stanley; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Zeta W. by Nutwood Wilkes; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Hemet Girl by Geo. W. McKinney; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Nealy W. by Geo. W. McKinney; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Stambia by Stam B.; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Lady Zombro by Zombro; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Little Louise A. by Boodle; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Muriel C. by Nutwood Wilkes; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Rosemary Lou by Kinney Lou; foal by Kinney de Lopez, dam Louise Carter by Chestnut Tom.

H. A. Hershey's foal by Jim Logan, dam Palo Maid by Palo King.

H. S. Hogoboom's foal by Palo King, dam Beautiful Morn by Iran Alto; foal by Robert Bingen, dam Beautiful Bird by Nutwood Wilkes.

Craig Hyde's foal by Jim Logan, dam by Demonio.

Abe W. Johnson's br c by Directum Penn, dam Belle Raymon by Raymon; foal by Directum Penn, dam Anna Elton by Elton.

Ed. Lavin's foal by George Hammett, dam Stella McKinney by Ed. McKinney.

I. M. Lipson's foal by Uganda, dam Jane C. by Zolock.

Wm. Loftus' foal by Copa de Oro, dam Leonor McKay by McKinney; foal by Copa de Oro, dam Annabelle L. by Hamb. Wilkes; foal by Carlokin, dam Iran Belle by Iran Alto.

Walter Maben's foal by Carlokin, dam Zomar by Zombro.

R. J. MacKenzie's foal by Zomblack, dam Martha Spy by The Spy; foal by Joe Patchen II, dam Merry Widow by Red Pac; foal by Joe Patchen II, dam Zombro Belle by Zombro; foal by Quintell, dam Eugenia B. by Zombro; foal by Joe Patchen II, dam Hawthorne by McKinney; foal by Quintell, dam Ava J. by Zombro; foal by Quintell, dam Greggie by Steinway; foal by Quintell, dam Madalca by Alcymont; foal by Vernon McKinney, dam by Carlokin.

Frank Malcolm's foal by Joe Patchen II, dam Fresno Girl by Seymour Wilkes.

L. E. Middleton's foal by Sir John S., dam Jennie L. by Moses S.

Carey Montgomery's foal by Jim Logan, dam Lela H. L. by Nutwood Wilkes.

J. H. Nelson's foal by Expressive Mac, dam Zyphryus by Zombro; foal by Expressive Mac, dam Guy's Guycara by Guy Dillon.

A. L. Nichols' foal by Robert Bingen, dam Silver Benton by Senator Boggs.

J. A. Paine's foal by Carlokin, dam Truly Ansel by Prince Ansel.

J. W. Pendleton's foal by Derbertha Bells, dam Abbie McNutward by Guy McKinney; foal by Derbertha Bells, dam Madsie McNutward by Madison McKinney; foal by Rapallo, dam Beautiful Bertha by Moormont.

Frank Rees' foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Ollivetta by Longworth.

Ryan & Webster's foal by Onward McGregor, dam Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon.

A. L. Scott's foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Icora by Ira; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Rosie Woodburn by Easter W.; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Lady Nez by Nutwood Wilkes; foal by The Bondsman, dam Sibyl Derby by Chas. Derby; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Weatewater by Sidney Dillon.

J. E. Short's foal by Skido Wilkes, dam Keno by Prismo; foal by Skido Wilkes, dam Honda Girl by Rubino.

Mrs. Jas. Stewart's foal by Copa de Oro, dam Easter D. by Diablo.

C. F. M. Stone's foal by Carlokin, dam Cora Jane by Del Coronado.

L. H. Todhunter's foal by Peter McKlyo, dam Zombowyette by Zombro; foal by Peter McKlyo, dam Osmuda by Bon Voyage; foal by Peter the Great, dam Zombelle by Zombro.

J. Wheeler's foal by Guacho, dam Carita by Greco B.

Woodland Stock Farm's foal by Prince Ansel, dam Caratina by McKinney; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Maggie Hall by Moko; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Goldie McKinney by Prince McKinney; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Ila Moko by Moko; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Eocita by Moko; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Bonhilda by Moko; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Baroness Spier by Directum Spier; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Edna Saunders by Axworthy; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Alma McGregor by Jay McGregor; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Ella J. by Bob Mason; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Aleema by Nutwood Wilkes; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Ida Millerton by Millerton; b c by Prince Ansel, dam Mista Lockheart by Lockheart; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Silver Haw by Silver Bow; foal by Robert Bingen, dam Ruby Crellin by C. The Limit; foal by Robert Bingen, dam Bela Hall by Walnut Hall; foal by Robert Bingen, dam Nutflower by Nutwood Wilkes; foal by Robert Bingen, dam Fair Recluse by Moko; foal by Robert Bingen, dam Centerguy by McKinney; foal by Robert Bingen, dam Caritone by Antone; foal by Robert Bingen, dam Gay Princess by Prince Ansel; foal by Peter the Great, dam Carrietta by Directman; foal by True Kinney, dam The Attraction by Peter the Great; foal by True Kinney, dam Josie D. by Nutwood Wilkes; foal by True Kinney, dam Serpolo by Mendocino.

M. L. Woy's foal by Stanford McKinney, dam Loma B. by Stam B.; foal by Black Hall, dam Strathalie by Strathway.

O. H. Wright's foal by Reflector, dam Rosie Wilkes by Falrose.

ENTRIES IN THE STANFORD-OCCIDENT STAKE OF 1917.

I. L. Borden's foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Miss Nutwood by Nutwood Wilkes; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Dolly B. by Welcome; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Ramona by Prince Robert; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Ella G. by Hamb. Wilkes; foal by Albaloma, dam Hester McKinney by McKinney; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Maude Adams by Cresco Wilkes; foal by Tom Smith, dam Directola by Direct; foal by Tom Smith, dam Carrie B. by Alex. Button.

A. M. Bracken's b f Jane L. by Jim Logan, dam Bernice Marshall by Owyhee.

S. Brolliar's b g Hunny Bug by Graham Bellini, dam Nelly by Diawood.

J. J. Campbell's b c J. Silver Bond by The Bondsman, dam Silver Fir by Silver Bow.

J. Lyman Chandler's b c Vernon Pointer by Vernon McKinney, dam Poinsetta K. by Star Pointer.

I. J. Cornett's b f Boness by The Bondsman, dam Salinas Princess by Eugeneer.

S. H. Cowell's b s Bill Logwood by Jim Logan, dam Two Minutes by Wildnut; ch s Don Alberta by Palo King, dam Hulda C. by Dexter Prince; b c by Peter the Great, dam Pretoria Bingen by Bingen; b f by Peter the Great, dam Ione M. by Gambetta Wilkes.

W. E. Detels' b f by Graham Bellini, dam Daphne McKinney by McKinney.

W. G. Durfee's b c by Carlokin, dam Carolyn C. by Axtell; b c by Carlokin, dam My Irene S. by Petigru; b c by Carlokin, dam Zephyr by Zombro; b c by Carlokin, dam by Six Bells; b c by Copa de Oro, dam Lady H. by Del Coronado; b f by Copa de Oro, dam Subito by Steinway; ch f by Copa de Oro, dam Pavlowa B. by Petigru; b f by Copa de Oro, dam Reta H. by McKinney; b c by Copa de Oro, dam Lillie Mc by McKinney.

Revel L. English's ch f by Wilbur Lou, dam Lady Bertha by Constantine.

Sam Gault's b h Peter Klyo Bell by Peter McKlyo, dam Iran Belle by Iran Alto.

Alex. Grant's b c Waterloo by Wilbur Lou, dam Sona by McKinney.

W. S. Harkey's b g Satan Proof by The Proof, dam Deviletta by Diablo.

C. A. Harrison's b c Kinney Benton by True Kinney, dam Princess Viola by Prince Ansel.

Geo. F. Heilbron's b f by Lijero, dam Califa by Silver Bow.

Hemet Stock Farm's ch c by Wilbur Lou, dam Betsy Direct by Direct; ch f Matilda Lou by Wilbur Lou, dam Lady Zombro by Zombro; ch c by Wilbur Lou, dam Little Louise A. by Boodle; b f Ailse de Lopez by Kinney de Lopez, dam Bonnie Ailse by Faustino; ch f Louise de Lopez by Kinney de Lopez, dam Louise Carter by Chestnut Tom; b f Rosebud M. by Wilbur Lou, dam Stambia by Stam B.; ch f by Wilbur Lou, dam Zeta W. by Nutwood Wilkes.

H. A. Hershey's b c Galen Logan by Jim Logan, dam Palo Maid by Palo King.

E. O. Johnston's b f Kathryn Bellini by Graham Bellini, dam Ava J. by Zombro.

Ed. Lavin's ch f Lilly of the West by Dexter Derby, dam Daisy O'Neil by Moses S.

I. M. Lipson's s c Franklin B. by Chestnut Tom, dam Myrtle Ragan by Col. K. R.

MacKenzie & Sutherland's b c Rhyolite by F. S. Whitney, dam Rubelle by Del Coronado.

J. R. McKay's b c J. R. McKay by Quintell, dam by Prince Ansel.

J. Mitchell's b f Fern Hobbs by McV., dam Verne H. by Chalinger.

J. M. Molle's b f Pedro Girl by Carlokin, dam La Coronado by Del Coronado.

Chris G. Owen's br f by Moko Hall, dam Sister Mary by Kinney Lou.

Chas. W. Paine's b f by Tregantle, dam Queen by Dictator Wilkes; br f by Northern Man, dam Lilly Young by McKinney.

W. A. Perley's b f Pietro Ghisleri by The Proof, dam Belle by Kinney Lou.

Sadie L. Porter's br c Sequoia by The Bondsman, dam Yu Tu by R. Ambush.

B. F. Rush's b c by Demonio, dam Margaret Hunt by Nutwood Wilkes; foal by Montbaine, dam Potrero Girl by Prince Airlie.

J. E. Short's b f Carrie Davis by Skido Wilkes, dam Keno by Prismo.

Chas. F. Silva's bl f by Moko Hall, dam Sis. to Teddy Bear by Del Coronado; ch f by Teddy Bear, dam Camille by Stam B.; ch c by Teddy Bear, dam Polka Dot by Mendocino.

Mrs. James Stewart's ch c by Copa de Oro, dam Easter D. by Diablo.

Chas. F. M. Stone's b c Bon Carlitos by Carlokin, dam Cora Jane by Del Coronado.

L. H. Todhunter's b c by Peter McKlyo, dam Sweet Bow by Bon Voyage; b c by General Watts, dam Zombell by Zombro; bl f by Peter McKlyo, dam Osmuda by Bon Voyage.

Dr. I. L. Tucker's b c Tommy Tucker by Earthquake, dam Babe T. by Rajah.

D. W. Wallis' br f Eline by El Angelo, dam Eline by G. W. Russell; b h Robert Mc by El Angelo, dam Annie McKinney by McKinney.

Geo. L. Warlow's b f Cora's Policy by Best Policy, dam Cora Wickersham by Junio.

Woodland Stock Farm's b c Kinney True by True Kinney, dam Ella J. by Bob Mason; bl f True Ida by True Kinney, dam Ida Millerton by Millerton; br c Col. Ansel by Prince Ansel, dam Silver Haw by Silver Bow; b f Anselita by Prince Ansel, dam Eocita by Moko; br f Maggie Ansel by Prince Ansel, dam Maggie Hall by Moko; b c Bill Bon by Bonaday, dam Oniska by Nutwood Wilkes; br f by Prince Ansel, dam Bonhilda by Moko.

M. L. Woy's b f Expressive B. by Expressive Mac, dam Loma B. by Stam B.

The Ruthven Stable

Another good central western stable—that of A. F. Ruthven of Kansas City—arrived at Pleasanton recently to be gotten ready for the big stakes and class races at the exposition. As in the case of the other eastern stables that preceded them, their run was a good one, the horses unloaded in fine shape and are "fit as fit" to start making a little speed. The six head brought out were wintered at Topeka, with C. L. Overt looking after their welfare, and loaded out from that city at 1:20 Saturday and unloaded about six o'clock the following Tuesday, Mr. Ruthven following a bit later and showing up at Pleasanton last Saturday morning.

The stable is evenly divided between aged performers and youngsters, the former being the good pacers Walnut Grove 2:05¼ and Rose Equity 2:07¾ and the old reliable trotting mare Miss Johnson, who has a breeder's mark of 2:08¾ made last year at Cleveland but whose eligibility record is some seconds slower than that. Both Walnut Grove and Rose Equity are entered in the 2:06 pacing stake at both exposition meetings, the former named in the big event by J. A. Young of Port Arthur, Texas, and the latter by Mr. Ruthven.

Walnut Grove is a nine-year-old black stallion by Constantine 2:12½ and is the second fastest performer credited to that famous son of Wilkes Boy, Royal R. Sheldon having the best of the argument by a half a second. His dam is Lindis, a double producing daughter of Jackdaw 2:28¼, second dam Viola by Silverthorne 2:15, and as he was bred by a Kansan, M. A. Low of Topeka, he is stamped as a genuine Kansas-Missouri product. He was raced first in 1910 over the half-mile tracks of the Jayhawker state, winning in the neighborhood of $2000, and twice demonstrating his ability to pace in 2:10 on the twice-arounds, his miles in 2:10 at Abilene and 2:09¼ at Minneapolis (Kansas, not Minnesota) still standing as the track records for those points. In 1913 he went a bit farther east and hooked up with some pretty speedy company, making his best showing at Lexington, where he was returned second in two separate races, being a heat winner in each event. Michigan Queen ranked him in his first start in which he finished 2-2-1-2 in 2:05, 2:05¼, 2:05¼ and 2:03¾, and Lowanda "outnickered" him a few days later in a five heat affair from 2:05½ to 2:09½. In 1914 he won his first start before going to the big line, where he gave a fair account of himself against the good ones that were out in his class, ranking once third and once second in races won by Peter Stevens 2:02¼, third to Our Colonel 2:03¾ and Baron A. 2:04½ and fourth to Del Rey 2:03¾, Harry the Ghost 2:04½ and King Daphne 2:04¼. He is in nice shape at present and if he gets to the races unharmed he will be a hard nut to crack.

Rose Equity is also a Kansas product, one year younger, bred by C. H. Samson of Topeka. She is a daughter of Equity 6866, being the fastest of his get, out of Anna Rose by Orphan Knight 2:26¾, second dam Hazel McGregor by Fergus McGregor. As a three-year-old she made a couple of starts in classes for that age, finishing third and fourth, and as a four-year-old earned a record of 2:15¼ and was but twice outside the money in nine starts. She paid a profit in 1912, and in 1913 declared a genuine dividend, starting in twenty-one races, winning six and being but three times unplaced, obtaining her present record in a winning race at Decatur, Ill. She was entered April 1, 1914, in the local pacing stakes and held over for this season, paying her way for the off year by suckling a nice foal that is a member of the present stable.

Miss Johnson, foaled in 1905 at Kendall Farm, Valley Falls, Kansas, has raced earlier and oftener than either of her stable mates, owing her rugged qualities to a double barreled dose of the blood of Happy Medium, as she is by Happy Treasure 2:28¼ and out of Maud Johnson by Happy Heir. She finished in the money in her only start as a colt trotter, and has raced regularly and profitably every season for the five last passed. She did her fastest work last season and promises to be good in her class this year, as she is eligible to the events for the 2:17 trotters.

The youngsters of the stable are all by Walnut Grove and look to be of the same general quality as their dad and his older companions. G. C. W. is a three-year-old pacing colt out of a Jackdaw mare, the two-year-old Little Grove has trotted eighths as a yearling in :18, and the last and least—and boss of the barn at that—is the yearling out of Rose Equity. All the kids have juvenile engagements and will make a good growth and some speed at Pleasanton. The horses are all doing nicely, and both Mr. Ruthven and Mr. Overt are much pleased with the general situation at their temporary home.

Millard Sanders has taken into his stable the Stockton pacer Johnny Ray that Frank Childs turned over when he took charge of the Bailey stable the first of the month. Johnny is a hog for work and has a raft of speed, but has notions that interfere with his usefulness. With these overcome Millard will have another real good green pacer, but it is not a job to be performed successfully in a few days or weeks, apparently.

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FISH FARMING.

"Fish farming is a rapidly growing industry throughout the United States. The up-to-date fish farmers find a ready market for young fish and eggs and for food and game fish. The government and the States purchase large quantities of eggs and fry from fish farmers every year. Private clubs with their own fish preserves and hatcheries also furnish a market at good prices for eggs and fry. The commercial market for food and game fishes is a profitable one. This is particularly true of trout and bass. A steady market with an average price of 50 cents per pound for game trout makes the production of this fish particularly attractive."

H. M. Smith, commissioner of fisheries, made this statement. Commissioner Smith is greatly interested in the growing demand for supplies by fish farmers, as well as by clubs and State authorities, and fish production by these means is growing by leaps and bounds.

"In addition to the fish farmers who are in the business commercially," continued the commissioner, "there are large numbers of farmers all over the country who have come to realize the value of the private fish pond as a source of food supply. With a fuller realization of the benefits accruing from the maintenance of fish ponds on farms, as an inexpensive and ready food supply for home consumption, the demand for black bass, crappies, sunfish, catfish and other species adapted to pond culture, which are obtainable only through natural reproduction, is increasing out of all proportion to the annual supply available.

"During one recent fiscal year the total production and output of food and game fishes by the bureau exceeded 3,863,000,000. During the fiscal year just closed the total was considerably more than 4,000,000,000. Notwithstanding the high cost of labor and materials this steady increase in production and output has been accomplished without a proportionate increase in expenditures.

"While the fish farmer can be sure of securing a larger profit per acre of fish than from other products, the best work is done today in small cement ponds where eggs and fry can be kept under observation at all times.

"Many fish farmers sell eggs and small fishes to other fish farmers as well as to the government, the States and clubs. Many of them make a specialty of this work. Fish eggs can be shipped around the world in safety if kept cool and moist. They do not perish when taken from the water if properly protected in this way. This makes it easy for the fish farmers to find a market regardless of how far it is away."

The bureau has only limited means for the investigation of fish diseases, which at times cause large losses to the government, States and private fish culturists. Commissioner Smith is receiving, growing and insistent demands for the investigation of various fish diseases and for the study of the relations of industrial and other contaminations to fish life in streams.

"These demands," said Commissioner Smith, "are of a character that makes them entirely appropriate for attention at the hands of the fishery service, but owing to lack of facilities the bureau has been able to do very little to help either itself or the general public in this respect. From every consideration of economy adequate means should be provided for such investigations. At one hatchery alone, at Holden, Vt., over 350,000 trout died from an epidemic in two months. This was practically the entire stock on hand, and the cost of producing these fish, to say nothing of their ultimate value, was greater than would suffice to pay for an assistant qualified to find means of preventing such losses."

While fish farming is largely on the increase and is a profitable industry, oyster farming in those sections where it is possible is enormously profitable.

"The artificially planted oyster beds are away ahead of the natural beds, and the latter may be said to be a diminishing industry," said Commissioner Smith. "Private beds, usually leased from the States in which they are located, or purchased outright, are naturally better protected from contamination and depredation than the public beds. Connecticut and Rhode Island found it so much more satisfactory to sell or lease their oyster grounds that there are no longer any public beds in the waters of those States. Other States are following suit, Virginia being quite advanced in this line. The bulk of the Maryland beds is still on public ground. It is a noteworthy fact that the prices received for oysters on leased grounds or from private beds bring a higher price in the market than those taken from public waters. The cultivation of oysters—or oyster farming—is increasing very rapidly. It is an industry of great promise. Thousands of bushels of oysters may be harvested from an acre of oyster beds. With the beds properly protected and otherwise cared for this means an enormous income."

ANENT THE MOUNTAIN LION.

Largest of all the Felidae known to inhabit America north of the Mexican boundary; more fabled, possibly, than any other animal in all history save the bear, there is a peculiar interest centering about the mountain lion, felis concolor, in whatever part of the continent it is found.

With a range extending from Cape Horn on the south to the Canadian border and beyond in the north, this cat is known to every tribe that inhabits the New World, and every tongue had a different name for it. To South Americans, ranging far and wide over the boundless Pampas, it was and is the puma; Pennsylvanians, residents of the Adirondacks and the Alleghenies, and others of eastern hunters in whose States this cat once ranged, called it panther, which speedily became corrupted into "painter"; still farther north it is the catamount, close kin in the terror it inspires with the loup garou and the "lucevee" of northern woods.

West of the Mississippi—possibly I should be more particular and say west of the Missouri—this lank, gray denizen of the barren buttes and the timbered hills has been the "mountain lion" since the early days of the trappers. In a more restricted sense, west of the Sierra Nevadas, it is commonly called California lion.

In a way there is reason for these names, for the panther of Pennsylvania is, in minor characteristics, different from the puma of South America, the catamount of the North or the lion of the West, just as they are each different from the other. But I doubt very seriously if there is a naturalist in these United States who could separate these animals species by species from a series of skins taken throughout their wide breeding range.

Like precious gold, the mountain lion is found where he happens to be. The hunter may look for him through all one slope of the Sierra today and not find anything but old tracks; he may wander across a whole range of barren lava on the desert without so much as striking a warm trail, and, on the morrow, he may find the great cats in both of the regions over which he searched so assiduously the day before.

The mountain lion is a great traveler, and places which have not known him for years may suddenly wake up to find that a pair have domiciled themselves in a little-suspected cave or beneath the roots of some fallen tree, where hunters most familiar with the section never would think of looking for them.

In spite of this trait of moving about, the mountain lion is also a permanent resident in sections where he is not too much molested, as many a cattle raiser of Montana and Wyoming and many a sheep herder of the Southwest can testify.

Gradually, however, these cats are disappearing from the hills and the mesas of Southern California. Time was when even so young a hunter as the writer can remember "lions" as more than common in the hill regions of the Southwest. Now the killing of one of these cats with a pack of hounds, or the capture of one in a trap set for coyotes, is the signal for a great congratulation to the hunter and much noise in the local papers.

In the central and northern counties of this State, however, and in Oregon and Washington, there seem to be plenty of the big cats left for those ambitious Nimrods who care to go so far in pursuit of them amid the tangles of the mountain fastnesses to which they have for the most part been driven.

The center of abundance of mountain lions a few years ago in Southern California was down on the slopes of Smith Mountain and the near-by hills of San Diego county. A man in that region with a well-trained pack of hounds can have great sport, and if he fails to get the mountain lions he seeks he at least can have the consolation of as good wild cat hunting as can be had in the State, bar none.

And this brings us to one of the real outdoor games of the Southwest—the pursuit of the mountain lion with hounds. There is good fun to be had with the same hounds and horses after wild cats and coyotes over much the same ground as that frequented by the larger cats, but it never compares for all round uncertainty and excitement, or in the surety of a fight if the animal is treed, that comes from the chase of the lion.

The fur of any of the four-feet, of course, is never very good in this part of the world, but the pelt of the lion is best in December or early in January before the females retire to their caves to bear their young. These same young can be tamed to a certain extent if captured, but as they gain in size and strength they become unruly captives, and as a rule their captors are only too willing to turn them over to some park or zoological garden for safe keeping behind bars.

When young the cubs, which are usually two in number and born in March, are spotted, as are the young of African lions, and are the most playful kits the wildwood produces. Young wild cats have some of the innate ferocity of their ancestors from the moment they first draw in their mother's milk, but young mountain lions are as good-natured as tame kittens; I have played with two such for hours with nothing but a rubber ball and a piece of string. In the cave at first they scratch and bite like little demons, but they soon get over this ugly disposition, especially when fed on bread and milk and given but small quantities of meat.

So far as I am able to learn, the mountain lion family stays together almost for a year. It may be that the animals breed only every two years, but I know that I have seen half-grown youngsters prowling about the mountains back of "Arden" in company with an older female. One afternoon, sitting in the bed of the wash of the Santa Ana river, up above Yorba, in company with H. A. Bradford, an enthusiastic naturalist and sportsman of Placentia, California, we were surprised to see two lions come walking out of the thick underbrush, right beside the dim clearing which marked the road, and start across the wash. This was in June or July, I do not well remember which, but think it the latter month. One of the cats was full grown, apparently a mother and her kitten of the spring previous.

Bradford reached for the only weapon we had, a .22 repeating rifle, and sent a bullet after the pair just as they turned into the brush. With a snarl the larger cat wheeled in her tracks and bit savagely at one hip. Apparently the bullet found its mark, for Bradford is a good rifle shot, but we were unable to trace the lions farther than the opening in the tangle, into which they disappeared almost as soon as the little gun cracked.

This, however, is one of the few and rare instances in which I or anyone else, for that matter, have come on these animals in the wild. They are the greatest hunters known to this part of the country, and the man never lived who could successfully stillhunt them.

In the total I suppose I have spent days, .25-20 rifle over shoulder, tramping through the known range of the big cats, finding fresh tracks here and there, always near the spring, absolutely sure that from some coign of vantage at least one pair of wild eyes was following me, yet never able to come on one. Whenever the good luck has fallen to me to see the cats I have been without my gun, and the glimpses I got of them were only the most fleeting, so that little short of a ten-bore shotgun charge of buckshot would have stood any chance of stopping one.

One of the last mountain lions of which I know as being killed near Los Angeles by chance hunters was shot in a dense growth of willow scrub in the same Santa Ana river wash in which the incident narrated above took place. Three young men from Anaheim were hunting rabbits in the dry river bed, with a couple of mongrel dogs. The dogs, ranging through a narrow strip of willows, "flushed" the big cat, and two charges of No. 4's from the boys' shotguns laid it out.

It was a small lion, and apparently had been caught between nights on its way from the hills back of Olive to the hills of the Chino Ranch on the other side of the valley. For a full grown lion to be caught in a narrow strip of willows so far from home hills and a friendly sheltering cave would practically be an impossibility, and it must be that this was nothing but an overgrown kitten who had slipped away from parental range too soon. Perhaps his story—his tragedy—would prove interesting reading, did we but know it, for manifold and wonderful are the dramas worked out under the sky and the trees with four-footed Hamlets and Iagos, not to mention Desdemonas and Portias.

But the lion is no sentimentalist; he is a coward, a thief, a cut-throat and a renegade, but he is the cleverest hunter that ever graced four feet. He has a weasel beat so far that the little brown fellow hasn't even a look-in for his white chip. The golden eagle, that famed harrier of the air, is not more clever in his hunting than the big gray cat of the hills and the valleys of the Southwest.

But despite all his own skill in the pursuit of his quarry, the mountain lion is a ridiculously simple animal to capture with dogs and horses by men who know the game as thoroughly as do some of the members of the hunt clubs of which California boasts.

I am going more into detail as to the hounds and horses which the exigencies of hunting demand in this end of the State in a later paper; just now I have room but to tell of one chase which resulted in the death of a small lion. At the time of which I write, I was possessed of two as good hounds as ever gave tongue on warm trail.

One Sunday afternoon, my father knocked a young wild cat from a tree with a stone, and thereafter killed it. When he came home I took the dogs and a pony, reasoning that where there was one young cat there ought to be another, and rode up the canyon through which he had just passed. About a mile up, the dogs struck a cold trail which they ran down in about half a mile. This run led me over the ridge into a small valley, well hemmed in by hills.

Here the dogs circled about aimlessly for some time and then, breaking through a tangle of some low shrub, the old white and tan hound let go the warning cry. The younger dog took it up, and in the space of a breath dogs, horse and I were well up the far side of the pocket, going into a bit of country I had never visited before, after game of which I had not as yet had a glimpse.

We ran about a mile over the hill, then along the ridge another mile and down the steep side of another canyon into the bed of a creek, almost dry, but still encountering enough water for the animal ahead to run in. Here, of course, the hounds lost their grip

and we spent nearly half an hour ranging up and down the creek, first on one side and then on another, before we found the trail again.

When we did pick it up it ran down first one side of the stream, then crossed, apparently at a bound, and doubled back along the far side of the canyon and close up against the rim of the hills. Here we could follow the track easily and soon we passed the place where we had first lost the trail. Above this the going became very rough and we found a perfect wilderness of small boulders. To one of these I tied the pony and followed the dogs, now a good distance ahead, on up the gorge, for gorge the canyon had now become.

When I left the horse, I expected a long tramp, mayhap a mile, possibly five of them, though I knew that the lion, for tracks in the sand had long ago told the identity of the animal we were following, was not prone to long runs, especially when picked up as fresh as the voices of the dogs said this trail was.

In the midst of the boulders, however, the trail crossed the stream again, and by the time I had made my way with no broken legs to the other side of the creek, the dogs had found the still warm trail and were away up the canyon, quite out of sight. Clinging as closely to the creek bed as possible, I followed the sound straight into a little pocket at the head of the canyon.

Here, over a low wall of rock, not more than twenty feet high, but sheer from the bottom of the gorge, the stream tumbled, and there, gathered about the base of a huge sycamore, the dogs bayed the long, gray form of a lion, up among the branches.

Apparently the cat, hard pressed at the point where the trail last crossed the stream, had taken directly up the creek bed instead of keeping on across the canyon and had run itself into a pocket, whence the only escape was to climb a tree, one of the time-honored prerogatives of his kind throughout the New World.

With his teeth bared, and his body arched into a semicircle, he looked like nothing so much as a huge red-gray housecat which had unwittingly come across the path of the hounds and been treed by them. Unfortunately for the hunted, the top of the tree in which he had taken refuge, and which was the only tree in the canyon, was a considerable distance from either side of the gorge. Consequently all hope was cut off of leaping to safety to the top of the ledge. The cliff itself was unscalable to anything not having wings, and while the tree was easy for the cat, he did not like the looks of the cliff, especially with the snarl of the two dogs ringing in his ears.

For a weapon I had a .38-calibre revolver, set in a .41 frame, single action, the best all round gun for horseback hunting I have ever seen. I did not care to climb the tree for a closer acquaintance with the sharp claws of the lion, now well bared and sunk deep into the bark on the white sycamore limb.

I am not a Dr. Carver, nor yet Buffalo Bill, while Annie Oakley quite outclasses me, but I took three shots at the cat, and at the third one brought him down with a bullet through one side of his head, a very fortunate shot, for he would have cut the two dogs up badly, if he did not kill them, had he lit on the ground in good fighting trim.

This was one of the most enjoyable hunts of my life, though it was short and made alone, the manner in which most of my hunting has been done. Wherefore none of my kind friends have ever punctured me by mistake for a deer or a bear.

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The Coming Show Season.—Spring, sunshine and shows are here. Now is the time to whip your dog into shape for the 1915 campaign. The season opened with the Pasadena event which ended last Saturday night. It was a four point event and was a good start for those looking for points.

Frequent inquiry has been made in reference to the coming shows in San Francisco during 1915, and many of these queries have been from those who were unfamiliar with the showing game and who have conflicted the Golden Gate Kennel Club show with the International Dog Show given by the Panama-Pacific Exposition.

The Golden Gate Show takes place in the spring, possibly in May; the Panama-Pacific show will be in November. The Golden Gate show will take place in some hall, the Panama-Pacific in the grounds of the exposition. The Golden Gate Kennel Club is composed of only three members: Irving Ackerman, Alec Wolfen and A. J. Folger. The Panama-Pacific is given under the auspices of the directors of the Exposition.

The Golden Gate Kennel Club has affixed "International" to its May event, although so far not one foreign dog fancier has suggested bringing his dogs from the other side. On the other hand the Panama-Pacific dog show is entitled to the word "International" because scores of foreign dog owners from all points of the world have applied for blanks to enter their dogs.

The Golden Gate Kennel Club will hold its show under American Kennel Club rules; the Panama-Pacific Exposition will be under the Exposition's own rules, and everyone will be entitled to show—even those who were ruled off from showing under A. K. C. rules for some intentional or unintentional infractions of a regulation.

The Eastern press in some way has mixed up the Golden Gate show with that of the Panama-Pacific—but people in California should understand that one show is being given by three members of a dog club above mentioned, while the Panama-Pacific will be entirely separate.

AN ALASKAN DOG TEAM RACE.

[by Jack Jungmeyer.]

Poke fun at John Johnson, crack "musher" of Alaska, and he will grin good-naturedly; jibe at his dogs and his fighting blood is up.

Twice winner of the great $10,000 Nome-Candle Creek dog race, with an unbeaten record of seventy-four hours and fourteen minutes over the 408-mile course, Johnson is known as "The Iron Man" for his amazing grit and endurance.

How he won the desperate race that gave him the monacher, with a "scrub" team, under the goad of derision, and became the hero of Alaska, Johnson here tells for the first time.

It is an epic of the frozen tundra, wherein fierce ambition, high courage, clean sportsmanship and the comradeship between man and beast played big parts.

"The men who were betting their thousands looked us over—me and the dogs," began Johnson, "and they laughed! It was then I made up my mind to win or to run myself and the team to death."

Johnson is 40 years old, was born in Finland, sailed before the mast, prospected and faced death in Siberia, where he was lost once for four days, finally coming to a native hut in the nick of time to save himself from starvation or freezing to death, and went to Nome in the gold rush of 1900. In his face is the austerity of the north, in his speech the halt of men who have lived long in Arctic silences.

His love of dogs is like a religion.

"There were fourteen dogs in the team I was driving for Colonel Fox Ramsey," Johnson resumed. "Most of them were his, but some belonged to me—shaggy little fellows who had gone over thousands of miles of perilous trail with me—especially Kolma, my blue-eyed leader.

"Ramsey had entered three teams of Siberian dogs. He drove the pick himself. The second went to Charlie Johnson, and I was given the 'scrub' team. Four other teams were entered.

"Ahead, to the northeast, stretched the bleak snows over which we would race. Candle Creek was 204 miles away—the half-way point. It was Thursday, April 7, and a clear day. A little too warm, though, meaning hard work breaking trail. This would be tough on me, for I was to start first, the others to follow at ten-minute intervals. I would have to pound snow for them.

"Around us 6,000 people were packed, watching. They jingled their gold. But little was bet on my 'scrubs.'

"Beside me stood 'Scotty' Allen, a great racer who had already won one sweepstake and come second in the other. He is a favorite in Nome—the 'King of the Arctic trail.' As we waited for the start 'Scotty' looked at me—squinting.

"'I'm going to run the heart out of you!' he said.

"And then my dogs leaped at the signal, running low and whining with excitement.

"I nursed the dogs along—getting acquainted with them. Siberian dogs do not gallop, like the Malamute and the Husky. They pace, bellies close to the snow. And they do not quit until their heart breaks.

"Most of my team I didn't know. They belonged to Fox Ramsey, for whom I was driving. But Kolma, my leader, I could rely on. He would go through hell for me.

"We covered the first 125 miles to Telephone Creek in about thirteen hours. And the dogs were still fresh. At Timber, one of the stations on the trail, I was fifty minutes ahead of Charlie Johnson, an hour ahead of Allen, and about forty minutes to the good over Ramsey. The stars had come out. Candle was still seventy-nine miles away."

From the telephone stations along the course word was flashed back to the Nome bulletin boards, where men waited sleepless with excitement all night.

"That pace won't last," said the sourdoughs. "It can't,"

"I was beginning to get a good lead," said Johnson, "when we ran spang into a snow fog so thick I could hardly see my leader.

"This was at Death Valley Hill, a dangerous bit of country. Kolma lost the way. We floundered around for three hours. The delay was heartbreaking. I had to back-track to find the trail. When we finally got away again it was nearly four o'clock Friday morning.

"I nearly lost my head here. I thought Scotty and Ramsey might have passed me. I pushed my dogs to the limit. We were desperate, the dogs catching my excitement. We flew over hummock and slides, the sled slipping crazily. Several times I almost lost my grip on the handles. But at Haven, the next station, I learned that I still led. The other drivers were having trouble, too.

"In fact, I now led Ramsey by over an hour, and Allen by three.

"I began to get anxious about Kolma. Deciding to save his strength, I took him out of the collar and put him on the sled. But he'd have none of it. As soon as I yelled 'mush!' he leaped off and took his place ahead of the team, spurring them on.

"Never a whip cracked over their backs. The lash makes cowards. My dogs have been trained by kindness.

"One hundred and twenty miles from Nome," he resumed, "the first of my team gave out. It was Miscah, a game little fellow whose feet had gone back on him. He begged me even then, with his eyes, to let him stay in the traces, but I laid him on the sled under my parka. Poor old Miscah!

"Every twenty-five miles I fed the dogs a handful of meal.

"I wanted to drink all the time. My thirst became a fever. The sweat poured down my body, into my mukluks. I kept sucking lemons for relief.

"The weather turned colder. My mittened hands began to freeze to the sled bars. The bite of the wind against my face was terrible. My feet were sore, and the snow glare was beginning to bother me.

"Scotty Allen, the watchers at the telephone relays told me, was creeping up fast. Now I didn't laugh when I thought of his brag.

"I had now been on the trail thirty hours and twenty-three minutes without rest or food.

"The excitement was too strong for my hunger. I was living on my nerve, and so, largely, was my team, although I had fed them a little meal along the trail.

"I was giving the dogs a breathing spell and changing my underwear, soppy with sweat, when Ramsey, the first man behind me, sped into Candle and out again without stopping. He left word that he would rest at the tent eight miles away on the return course, and suggested that I do the same.

"It was 7:25 o'clock Saturday evening when Ramsey left Candle. I got away at 8 o'clock. In point of time I was still two hours ahead of him.

"I didn't stop at the tent, though. High up on the river bank I saw the glow of Ramsey's fire and heard the 'woof-woof' of his dogs. I spoke to Kolma, and we streamed by like ghosts in the night. I figured that if I stopped to rest there Ramsey would get away with me and I couldn't shake him off. He'd have all the advantage.

"He didn't know that I had passed on ahead until he reached First Chance, thirty-nine miles beyond.

"'Holy smoke!' said Ramsey, 'John must be driving!'

"And I was driving!

"The strain was beginning to tell on me and the dogs. I had my clean living to thank for my endurance."

No man has ever seen John Johnson drunk, and he does not smoke. His life of prospecting has made him hard as nails. Once in a Siberian blizzard he went four days without eating.

"My second dog gave out when within fifty miles of Nome," said John Johnson.

"It looked like my team was going to pieces under the terrific strain. Two dogs were on the sled, and several of the others were slowing down. This was at Topkok.

"I began to push the sled—helping the brave fellows in the traces.

"Four of the other teams had already dropped out. Only Ramsey, 'Scotty' Allen and I hung on, driving like the devil with our last strength. Allen was about four hours behind, while Ramsey had three hours to make up at Topkok.

"But hours can be quickly lost or gained at the finish of a race like this. I was uneasy.

"Again I tried to spell Kolma, the leader, but he stopped the team until I had given him the leadership. It just seemed to take the life out of him to be taken from the front. I knew he felt it.

"My own strength was going fast. The sweat seemed to draw the life out of me, cold as it was. We were now making only five miles an hour.

"My will kept saying to the body, 'You must go on,' but the muscles said, 'No, let's rest.' And that was my fight over those last fifty miles—between the body and the will.

"Remember, I had not slept at all now for over seventy hours.

"And what made it harder on me and the dogs was the joking of the watchers at the telephone relays. They would tell me that Ramsey and Allen were gaining fast. I did not know they were joking. I thought I was going to lose after all. The plugging became just plain hell.

"Morning came—the glisten of snow in my half-blind eyes. Wind and sun had tanned me black as a native. The air seemed like ice in my lungs. I think I blubbered once or twice.

"You see, my dogs and I had run as far as across the State of Kansas without sleep, and with almost no rest or food. It wasn't boy's play!

"And then we came in sight of Fort Davis, four miles out of Nome. Here a cannon is fired when the first racer comes in sight. People began to crowd up so thick I could hardly get through.

"The roar of the gun stiffened me up for the final spurt. It was for me and my 'scrubs'! Kolma looked back at me, his tongue out, his blue eyes wide with exhaustion. And I yelled at him.

"And so we came down the stretch, a little of the heart still left in us. I looked at my dogs, and I felt sort of solemn. I had brought them all in alive.

"They had all been willing to die for me—the poor fellows who didn't even know what it was all about.

"And then—well ,they hung some flowers around my neck and patted the dogs, and swore at us—nice bragging oaths. We had made it in seventy-four hours and fourteen minutes.

"And by and by 'Scotty' Allen came plugging in with his great shaggy Malamutes. I hardly knew him, his face was so gaunt, his voice so hoarse.

"'You're the toughest man I ever saw on the trail, John,' he said, sticking out his hand."

The "Iron Man" didn't quite finish the story. Bill Brady, his pal, concluded it.

"John," he told me, "blubbered like a baby when they hung the flower horseshoe around his neck and patted the dogs. So we knew he had a heart, even if there isn't a man living who can run it out of him."

THE BEGINNER AND THE RIFLE.

(Concluded from last week.)

He would be an unreasonable man who would expect to be a good golf or tennis player or a good fencer or boxer without plenty of good, hard, concentrative practice, yet there are a good many shooters who get discouraged because they cannot go out and become good shots by simply banging away with the rifle, regardless of what mistakes they make in holding and firing the gun. It is not the amount of practice as much as it is the kind of practice that counts.

When you feel that you thoroughly understand the firing practice, and can raise the gun and pull the trigger and feel that most of your cartridges would not be wasted were the gun loaded, then get out your ammunition and load the gun. Most rifles as they come from the factory are sighted correctly for a normal eye, but so many persons differ from the normal that you should watch the general grouping of your shots in your early practice; and if you find after firing a hundred or so shots that the general grouping is toward the left, take a brass rod about two inches long and with it and a hammer drive your rear sight to the right just a trifle and then try a few more shots until you have the correct combination. You may rest the rifle on a pillow and get your elbows braced on something, then with a steady pull off, your shots should go into the center every time. If not, change the sights accordingly. Don't be in a hurry to change your sights at first; in nine cases out of ten the fault is in you and not in the sighting. It hardly seems necessary to caution the beginner that a .22 calibre in spite of its small size is not a toy, and that the bullet will penetrate six inches of soft pine; but it is well to remember this fact and see that your backstop is good and substantial before going into the practice with cartridges.

Your preliminary practice will count for more than the shooting with the rifle loaded, and if you have practiced faithfully before using cartridges you will find no trouble in getting the majority of your shots at least somewhere near the object shot at. Learn early to call your shots: that is, when you pull the trigger you should feel that you know exactly where your shot will strike. It may be you have pulled just as the gun was a little to the left of the bullseye and you should be able to instantly announce the resulting location of the bullet hole before the shot is marked or you examine the target. The best military shots will call their shots nine times out of ten correctly, and the whole secret of this is the steady pull-off that you have been practicing. The target is in military parlance a clock face, and the shots are called where they would strike were the target supplied with figures of a clock. That is, a shot just a trifle to the left of the bullseye and just cutting the lower edge would be a seven o'clock bullseye, and one cutting the top of the bullseye on the exact center vertical line would be a twelve o'clock bullseye or "Bull" as it is called in military slang. Therefore, when you pull the trigger announce the result of your shot before you examine the target, saying "an eight o'clock bullseye" or an "eleven o'clock four" as the case may be. (The ring next to the bullseye on a military target is a four in value while the bullseye is a five.) If your shot does not strike where you called it, or at least on the same side of the bullseye, you will know that your pull-off was not good or that the wind affected your bullet, although the last reason would not apply except in shooting a hundred yards or more with a brisk wind.

Don't "cant" the rifle to one side; if you do get into this habit and ever shoot at long range you will not be able to account for the misses you get with a perfect sight, so don't get in the habit at all. Hold the gun so that the flat top of the barrel is level, not tilted either to right or left.

Once you have learned to pull the rifle quickly and steadily without jerking it, you have learned the most important thing in rifle shooting; and if you do not learn this you will always be an unreliable, erratic shot, making a bullseye one shot and a miss the next. This sort of a shooter never wins a match and never has a place on a rifle team if there is a man who can make fours or even threes consistently. A miss and a bullseye averages two and a half points to each shot, so don't make misses! And if you make a good score one string of shots and a poor one the next, kick yourself; for you are not shooting consistently and consistency is the sine qua non of a good match shot.

Once you have mastered the target or inanimate object shooting get some friend—or still better your wife, so you can blame your misses on to her poor throwing—to throw an empty can into the air for you, and practice shooting at flying objects. This sort of a thing will teach you to catch your sight quickly and to shoot at just the right moment, valuable practice for game shooting. Aim at the bottom edge of the can as it is coming down, or better still catch it as it is turning to come down. Aim your rifle at about the heighth to which the can is thrown and follow it with the sights, never stopping the gun, under any circumstances, as you pull the trigger. You will be surprised with a little practice how easy it is to hit flying objects with a rifle.

One more word to the beginner: as far as you are concerned, regard every kind of firearm as being always loaded, always cocked and equipped with a hair trigger that the least jar will discharge, and handle your rifle or any other firearm you may use accordingly.

At the Traps

Interstate Association Trophies, 1915.—The Interstate Association extends the privilege to trapshooters contesting for its trophies to select any of he articles illustrated in Plate 1, on this page, or in Plates 2, 3 or 4, which will be published on successive weeks hereafter, in accordance with the following rules:

A club applying for "All Trophies" may elect to take ten of the Number 1 prizes; or two of the Number 1, two of the Number 2, and two of the Number 3, or, if desired, two of the Number 4. In other words, any combination is in order provided the selection does not exceed a maximum of $50 under the different classifications.

A club applying for "One-Half Trophies and One-Half Cash" may select the trophies in the same manner, but only to the maximum of $25 under the different classifications. The trophy winners will indicate their choice of trophy on the blanks furnished by the Interstate Association, through the club secretary, the numbers designating the trophies to be used; the club secretary will thereupon mail the blanks to the Pittsburgh office, together with the complete records



NUMBER ONE.
$5 Classification.

of the shoot, as required. The trophies, properly engraved, will be sent direct to the winners, all charges prepaid.

No trophies will be forwarded prior to the date of the tournament for the purpose of examination or display.

It is understood that the winner of the Interstate Association's State amateur championship event at the State tournament will be given the privilege of selecting one of the $25 classification trophies, the other six of the trophies donated to State tournaments for the 100-target championship event to be selected by the winners, two trophies from each of the other three classifications.

Duplicates of the trophies may be secured from Black, Starr & Frost, Fifth Avenue and Forty-eighth Street, New York City, at their regular retail prices.

Plate No. 1.—C 8 Pipe—14-carat gold mount—in case.

C 9 Pipe—14-carat gold mount—in case.

C 10 Silver-Plated Combination Coffee Pot, Sugar and Cream, 7 inches high.

C 11 Pair Sterling Silver Drinking Cups—in case, 1⅞ inches high.

C 12 Sterling Silver Combination Cigar Cutter and Cigar Box Opener, 7⅜ inches long.

C 13 Silver-Plated Cocktail Shaker, 9¾ inches high.

C 14 Six Sterling Silver Tea Spoons—in case.

C 15 Sterling Silver Bon-Bon Dish, 6¼ inches in diameter.

C 16 Sterling Silver Flower Vase, 8 inches high.

C 17 Sterling Silver and Cut-Glass Jar and Spoon, 4 inches high.

C 18 Sterling Silver Combination Bottle Opener and Corkscrew, 6¼ inches long.

C 19 Sterling Silver, Glass-Lined, Ash Receiver, 4 inches in diameter.

C 20 Sterling Silver Top Cigar Jar, 5¾ inches high.

C 21 Silver-Plated Love Cup, 7⅛ inches high.

C 22 Sterling Silver Photograph Frame, 8x6 inches.

C 23 Sterling Silver Mounted Whisky Bottle, 1 quart.

C 24 Pewter Mug, 6⅛ inches high.

C 25 Sterling Silver Mounted Pitcher, 6 inches high.

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Wing Shots Open Season.—Seven straight scores signalized the opening shoot for 1915 at Sobrante of the California Wing Shooting Club. The winning guns in the club medal shoot were: Pete Walsh, who has missed but few opening shoots of the club; E. L. Hoag, A. J. Webb, Frank Ruhstaller of Sacraners in the club purse match with eleven birds each, were: Toney Prior, Ruhstaller, Nauman, Riley and Northcroft.

After the regular club matches Ruhstaller and Simpson were the winners in a six bird pool shoot. The scores:

Forenoon medal shoot, 12 pigeons, distance handicap, high guns to win.

Pete Walsh	28 yds.	2221 1111 2111	—12
E. L. Hoag	30 "	2222 1121 2222	—12
A. J. Webb	31 "	2222 1122 1222	—12
F. J. Ruhstaller	29 "	1112 1221 2111	—12
C. C. Nauman	33 "	1122 1211 1112	—12
W. W. Terrill	32 "	2122 2121 1112	—12
Ed Schultz	31 "	1112 1111 1212	—12
S. Simpson	30 "	2111 1112 2220	—11
Toney Prior	32 "	2222 1222 1200	—10
Ted Riley	29 "	2202 0222 2222	—10
N. Northcroft	29 "	1201 0111 1222	—10
H. Stelling	30 "	0202 1222 0122	— 9
C. A. Haight	30 "	0221 0120 2221	— 9

Afternoon purse shoot, 12 pigeons, distance handicap, high guns to win.

Toney Prior	32 yds.	2122 2022 1112	—11
F. J. Ruhstaller	29 "	0111 1111 1212	—11
C. C. Nauman	33 "	1111 1111 1210	—11
Ted Riley	29 "	1222 2112 0222	—11
N. Northcroft	29 "	2112 2112 1210	—11
Pete Walsh	28 "	0111 2121 1102	—10
A. J. Webb	31 "	1220 1112 1210	—10
H. Stelling	30 "	1112 0111 2012	—10
W. W. Terrill	32 "	1021 1101 1122	—10
Ed Schultz	31 "	1111 0111 2102	—10
E. L. Hoag	30 "	2010 2220 1221	— 9
S. Simpson	30 "	0111 2101 2012	— 9
C. A. Haight	30 "	0200 2021 1101	— 7
H. Hoffman	30 "	1010 2021 2000	— 5

Six-bird pool shoot, 30 yards rise, high guns.

Ruhstaller	1 1 1 1 1 1—6	Nauman	1 1 1 1 0 2—5
Simpson	1 1 1 1 1 1—6	Schultz	0 1 2 2 2 2—5
Prior	1 2 2 1 1 0—5	Walsh	1 0 0 2 0 1—3
Stelling	1 1 2 2 1 0—5		

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Long Run Trophies—A feature at all local and State trap shoots this season will be the Du Pont "long run trophy" shoots—for runs of 50 straight or more. This competition is for both amateur and professional shooters during 1915 and 1916, and there are no entrance fees charged. For a first straight run of 50 breaks a gold fob is the award. For every succeeding run of 50 or more straight breaks the successful gun-pointer will receive a gold bar. For fifteen runs of 50 or more straight, a shooter will be recognized with a gold watch. Professionals are required to do this trick twenty-one times before securing the coveted vest clock. Runs made at registered shoots only to count.

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New Trap Ground Desired.—A long-felt want among the trap-shooting sportsmen is a shooting ground easily reached and where, outside of regular club shooting days, a shotgun devotee can go and indulge in practice shooting or impromptu matches when the humar suggests that recreation. Such was the vogue during the days of the old Ingleside trap grounds, an opportunity that has been decidedly missed since that range was closed. If the efforts of the Exposition City Gun Club members are successful, a new and popular shooting ground will be available in this county. At present the Golden Gate Gun Club grounds at West Alameda station are open for practice shooting on Saturdays. Once get a local range started, it will be a popular resort.

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Vallejo In Line—The Vallejo Gun Club adopted a programme for a season of six months' blue rock shoots recently. The officers elected for the ensuing year are: James V. O'Hara, president (re-elected); J. W. Peckham, vice-president; Fred Leicke, secretary; C. L. Wisecarver, treasurer; A. G. Flickinger, captain; W. Mann, lieutenant. This club is also on the lookout for a new shooting location. A "Fred Gilbert" shoot, at 100 birds per man, will be held March 14 or 21.

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Exposition City Gun Club.—The Easton trap grounds will be the scene of the club's Fred Gilbert 20th anniversary shoot tomorrow.

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Garden City Traps.—The dates for the registered tournament of the San Jose Blue Rock Club are announced as May 29, 30 and 31.

The club will hold a Fred Gilbert 20th anniversary shoot tomorrow.

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Dog Killed Rattler—The life of Mrs. P. Hamilton of Bakersfield was probably saved recently by "Bay," a handsome Airedale terrier owned by Dr. J. Walter Key, when the intelligent animal killed a rattler which was poised to strike at her. The woman did not notice the reptile until she saw the dog striking at it. The Airedale killed the snake unaided.

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All previous prices are invalidated—Quotations below are subject to change according to future conditions.

MISS QUEALY (2) 2:26¾
Full sister to MANRICO (3) 2:07¼, winner of Kentucky Futurity 1912, and holder of world's record for sixth heat. Seven years old, trained slightly as a three-year-old and showed half in 1:06 over a half-mile track; has been in training ninety days and can trot a half in 1:05; absolutely will not break, good gaited, sound, and a handsome individual. Can trot a two-minute gait and has every right to make a very fast, consistent, good mannered race mare. Price $1750.

ALARICH 2:11¼ (Breeder's mark 2:09),
trotter, bay gelding with black points, 15.3, handsome, sound, fast and game; trialed at Santa Rosa last season in 2:06¾ and can do it again. Is a first class doer, can race twice a week and is eligible to the 2:13 class trots on mile tracks and to the 2:18 class on half-mile tracks; has shown well on the twice-arounds. Price, $650.00.

HELEN BELLE (2) 2:22½, breeder's record,
bay filly, foaled 1912, good gaited, good headed, sound and extremely fast; was taken up absolutely green on Sept. 3 and has developed in a most satisfactory manner, taking her mark in December, since which time she has been an eighth in :16, half in 1:09. Sired by California's greatest sire of colt trotters, CARLOKIN 2:07½. First dam Carolyn C. by Axtell (3) 2:12 (a champion); second dam by Expedition, sire of Bon Voyage 2:08; third dam by Princeps (son of Woodford Mamb.); fourth dam by Hambletonian 10.
Carolyn C. had two minute speed. This great filly is entered and paid up in the Occident stake, the State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A., and Oregon Futurities for 1915. The best buy in California at $1400.

NELLIE Mc,
black mare, trotter, eight years old, racing sound but is blemished; has always trained sound and I believe will continue to do so. Trialed at Sacramento in 2:10½ and has been a half lately in 1:03¾. Is a splendid mannered mare—anyone can drive her anywhere. She races first class, is fast, good headed, good gaited and dead game.
Sired by ZOLOCK 2:05¼, dam by Wilkes Moor, son of Guy Wilkes.
Stands about 15.3, is a round made extra good looking mare, weighs about 1140, has splendid legs and feet. She negotiates a half mile circle in A-1 style, should surely beat 2:10 this year. Does not pull a pound and can be placed anywhere. Eligible to any class. Price $1000.00.

CARLETA,
bay filly, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ALEXANDRIA, tr. 2:20, by Bon Voyage 2:08; second dam by Oakland Baron 2:09¼; third dam by Allandorf, etc.
This is a good trotter and should be prominent in her stake engagements. Is very handsome, good headed, sound and comes from familes noted for early speed. In training now and improving very fast; trialed recently, half mile in 1:14, eighth in :17¼.
She is entered and paid up to date in the following stakes: Panama-Pacific $3,000 for two-year-olds, Stanford, Occident, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. Price $1000.

O M A R, gelding,
trotter, trial 2:13¾, half in 1:05, eighths in :15; good headed, sound and can be depended upon. Is a beautifully gaited big horse and should prove useful to race over the twice arounds or for a matinee and road horse. He is fearless and is one of the most pleasant driving horses I have ever ridden behind. Stands slightly over 16 hands, weighs about 1200, is eight years old. Sired by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam Pineapple by Albion (son of General Benton). A present at $350.00.

CARLSCHEN (2) 2:23, breeder's record,
brown gelding by CARLOKIN, dam BONNIE AILSIE 2:08½ (dam of Contention B. (3) 2:08¼) by Faustino, son of Sidney.
Trialed with a little work last year a half in 1:09, is extremely promising and looks to be as good a prospect as any of the colts racing last year in the two-year-old trots. Is engaged in several of the futurities including the P. C. T. H. B. A., Pleasanton and State Fair Futurities. Is a splendid type, beautifully gaited, good headed and has extreme speed. He does it right. Ready to show and can trot a half in 1:07. Price $800.00.

HERMES, brown colt,
two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam MISS QUEALY (full sister to Manrico 2:07¼).
This is one of the most promising trotters I have ever handled. Is an especially nice gaited colt, can show a 2:20 gait, is good headed and on the whole the most promising youngster I know of for the western stakes. Is also a show horse. Is entered and paid up in the Occident, Stanford, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. His dam is an extremely fast trotter, having shown a two minute gait in her three-year-old form, and his second dam produced two to hold world's records—Manrico and Don Pronto.
This youngster is spoken of as the most impressive colt trotter at Los Angeles. Price $1500.00.

JOHNNY DUGAN,
3-yr.-old breeder's record 2:16,
pacer, no straps, bay gelding four years old, straight and sound, trialed a half in 1:04 last year in his three-year-old form and could pace around 2:10 in June.
Sire, CARLOKIN 2:07½; dam Annabelle L. (full sister to Murray M. and Robert L 2:08¾) by Hambletonian Wilkes; second dam Annabelle 2:27½ (dam of La Belle 2:16); third dam by Williamson's Belmont. A great buy at $350.00.

OLD FOLKS,
bay gelding, trotter, five years old, trialed as a two-year-old in 2:31½, as a three-year-old in 2:18½, and in his four-year-old form last May in 2:11, last half in 1:04. Is sound, good gaited, good headed, and should 2:08 this year. Comes from a family of good race horses on both sides—by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam IRAN BELLE, by Iran Alto 2:12¼; second dam ANNABELLE, etc. He stands A-1 with the railbirds around Los Angeles and is in training and ready to go on with and race this year. Price $1100.

NICOLA B. (2) 2:23¼
Winner two-year-old division Oregon Futurity, 1914.
Received slight injury just prior to going to the races in 1914, up to which time he was the most promising colt in my stable, working mile first part of June in 2:17, half in 1:06. Started twice, was once first, once second. Now in training and has brushed an eighth lately in :16; sound, grand individual, paid up in six western stakes and has every license to win. Son of Carlokin 2:07½ and Atherine 2:16¾, dam of Copa de Oro 2:01, Rags 2:09¼, etc. Price $2000.

AND ONE FOR THE $20,000 P.-P. I. E. TROTS—RAGS 2:09¼,
winner of the Breeder's and Oregon Futurities, the Stanford and the Occident stakes as a three-year-old, and the Governor's Stake, $5000, as a four-year-old—in all, beaten in but two out of eight starts, second in those two, and beaten only by 2:05 trotters. In my opinion as good a prospect for the big stakes as anyone has. He is a really great race horse, is racing sound, and has developed from an overgrown four-year-old into a sturdy, strong, exceptionally fine individual. Should be engaged in the Panama-Pacific $20,000 stakes, for which I already have entries. None better bred—by Del Coronado and out of the dam of Copa de Oro 1:59, etc. Price $2000.

In addition to the ones above mentioned I will offer to intending buyers JIM CRAM, three-year-old pacer (brother to Changa 2:12¼), the two-year-old pacerSANDY McNABB (staked), FIVE YEARLINGS and SIX TWO-YEAR-OLDS, most of which are in training and ready to show.

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THE FARM

HORSEPOWER ON THE FARM.

The bureau of animal industry of the United States department of agriculture, in a recent publication of the department, calls attention to the fact that European Russia and the United States have about 50 per cent of the horses of the world, that this country alone has one-fourth of the world's supply.

The department thinks as soon as peace is restored in Europe that horses for agricultural purposes will be in great demand. It is suggested that with the exception of Russia, European countries now at war will demand a large number of work stock and that Russia may have the number so decimated on account of war that many will be needed there to rehabilitate farming.

If this be true, farmers in our country have great opportunities for raising horses. Whether the war ends in a few months or whether it continues a year or two, good work stock will be needed. Our country has already furnished many cavalry horses to the armies in Europe and while the number is not thought sufficiently large to interfere with our farming operations for the present, it is nevertheless a fact that more must be raised on our farms before we can expect good teams to be abundant.

With the use of improved implements better teams are required and more are needed to do the work required under advanced methods of farming. Tractors and gas engines will be more frequently used than formerly, but it is very doubtful whether this will reduce the usefulness of horses and mules.

Every farmer who has good mares should raise a few colts every year. The mares may be used in the fields and still be useful in raising colts. By keeping mares instead of mules, farmers may raise teams and help supply the demand for more horsepower on the farm.—Farm and Ranch.

COYOTES SPREAD HYDROPHOBIA.

The spreading of rabies by infected coyotes among cattle grazing in the national forests has assumed a grave aspect, according to a report received by the forest service from the district forester in charge of the forests in Washington and Oregon. Numerous townships in eastern Oregon, it is reported, have ordered that all dogs be muzzled lest those that have been bitten by rabid coyotes develop hydrophobia and attack humans or domestic animals.

Efforts are being made by the state authorities of Oregon to stop the spread of hydrophobia by this means and officers of the forest service are co-operating in attempts to kill off the coyotes. In one county alone a loss of 300 head of cattle is charged to rabid coyotes.

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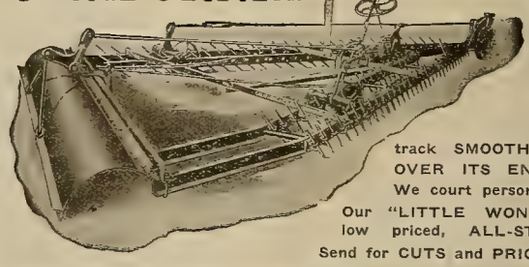
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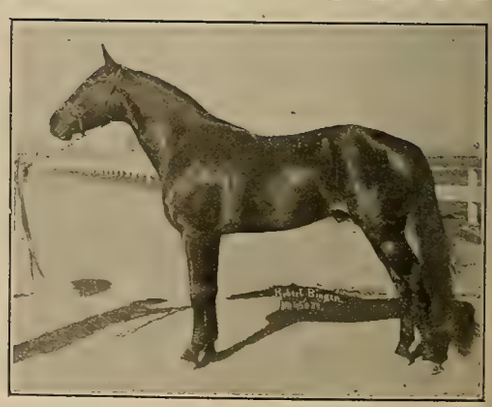
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Helen Belle (2)....2:22½ — Nicola B. (2).....2:23½ — Santiago (3) .....2:24¼ — May Marian p (3)..2:24¼ — Carlrich p (2) .....2:24½ — El Carbine (2).....2:27½ — Eileen C. (3) .....2:29 — Carlos (2) .....2:29¾ — Fuiton G. (2).....2:30

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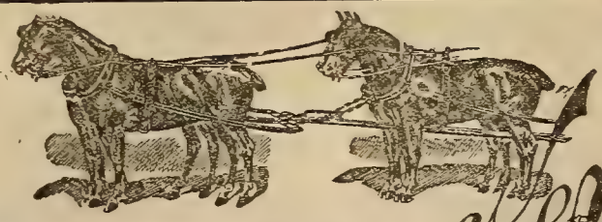
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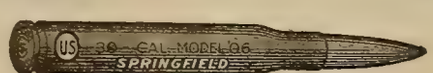






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ENTRIES CLOSE APRIL 1st, 1915

PROGRAMME:

SUMMER MEETING JUNE 5th TO 19th INCLUSIVE.

SATURDAY, JUNE 5

1. 2:30 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
2. 2:08 Class Pacing 5000
3. 2:08 Class Trotting 5000

TUESDAY, JUNE 8

4. 2-Year Olds Trotting (closed) $ 2000
5. 2:25 Class Pacing 2000
6. 2:13 Class Trotting 2000

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

7. 2:16 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
8. Amateur Free For All Trotting 1000
9. 2:11 Class Pacing 2000

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

10. 3-Year Olds Pacing (closed)...$ 3000
11. Driving Club Trotting, 2:20 class 1000
12. 2:25 Class Trotting 2000

FRIDAY, JUNE 11

13. 2:18 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
14. Driving Club Pacing, 2:15 Class 1000
15. 2:17 Class Pacing 2000

SATURDAY, JUNE 12

16. Driving Club Trotting, 2:30 Class .....$ 1000
17. 2:10 Class Trotting (will close June 1, 1915) 20,000
18. Free For All Class Pacing..... 5000

TUESDAY, JUNE 15

19. Amateur Trotting, 2:14 Class..$ 1000
20. Amateur Pacing, 2:20 Class.... 1000
21. 2:20 Class Pacing..... 2000

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

22. Two Year Olds Pacing (closed) $ 2000
23. 2:12 Class Trotting 2000
24. 2:13 Class Pacing 2000

THURSDAY, JUNE 17

25. Amateur Free For All Pacing $ 1000
26. 2:20 Class Trotting..... 2000
27. 2:17 Class Trotting 2000

FRIDAY, JUNE 18

28. 3-Year Olds Trotting (closed) $ 5000
29. 2:14 Class Trotting 2000
30. 2:19 Class Pacing 2000

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

31. 2:15 Class Pacing ....$ 2000
32. Free For All Class Trotting.... 5000
33. 2:06 Class Pacing (will close June 1, 1915)..... 20,000

Entries for all above races for the SUMMER MEETING close on April 1st, 1915, except Nos. 4, 10, 17, 22, 28 and 33.

FALL MEETING OCTOBER 30th TO NOVEMBER 13th INCLUSIVE.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

1. 2:20 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
2. 2:10 Class Trotting (will close June 1, 1915)..... 20,000
3. Occident Stake, 3 Y. O. Trotting (closed) 2500

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

4. 2:15 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
5. Free For All Driving Club Trotting 2000
6. 2:09 Class Pacing..... 2500

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

7. 2:12 Class Trotting .....$ 2500
8. Two Year Olds Trotting, Breeders Futurity (Closed)..... 1450
9. 2:12 Class Pacing 2000

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

10. 2:30 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
11. 2:15 Class Pacing 2000
12. Free For All Driving Club Pacing 2000

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4

13. 2:17 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
14. 3 Year Olds Trotting, State Fair Futurity (closed) 2000
15. 2:10 Class Pacing 2500

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5

16. 2:13 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
17. 2:25 Class Pacing 2000
18. Two Year Olds Pacing, State Fair Futurity (closed)..... 400

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

19. 2:08 Class Trotting .....$ 5000
20. 2:08 Class Pacing .....$ 3000
21. Three Year Olds Pacing, Breeders Futurity (closed)..... 1800

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8

22. 2:16 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
23. 2:24 Class Trotting..... 2000
24. Stanford Stake, 3 Y. O. Trotting (closed) 1200

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

25. 2:09 Class Trotting .....$ 2500
26. Two Year Olds Trotting, State Fair Futurity (closed)..... 600
27. 2:11 Class Pacing..... 2000

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

28. 2:19 Class Trotting 2000
29. Free For All Class Pacing..... 5000
30. 2:20 Class Pacing 2000

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31. 2:14 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
32. 2:17 Class Pacing 2000
33. Two Year Olds Pacing, Breeders Futurity (closed) 1200

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34. 2:11 Class Trotting .....$ 2500
35. 2:13 Class Pacing 2000
36. Three Year Olds Pacing, State Fair Futurity (closed)..... 1500

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13

37. Free For All Class Trotting....$ 5000
38. Three Year Olds Trotting, Breeders Futurity (closed).. 2800
39. 2:06 Class Pacing (will close June 1, 1915)..... 20,000

Entries for all above races for the FALL MEETING close on April 1st, 1915, except Nos. 2, 3, 8, 14, 18, 21, 24, 26, 33, 36, 38 and 39.

CONDITIONS FOR ALL RACES CLOSING APRIL 1st, 1915.

All races three heats, money divided 25 per cent to the first heat, 25 per cent to the second heat, 25 per cent to the third heat, and 25 per cent to the race according to rank in the summary. Money in each division 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. Should two or more horses be tied for first place at the completion of the third heat, such horses only shall contest in a fourth heat and money divided according to rank in the summary at the termination of that heat. A horse having won the first two heats and drawn or distanced in the third heat shall not lose position in the summary.

Nominators have the right of entering two or more horses in any race by the payment of two per cent. additional on each horse, but only one of the horses so entered to be started in the race, and the starter is to be named by 5 o'clock p. m. the day before the race is to take place.

Entries to close Monday, April 1st, 1915.

Nominators who make entries and ship horses from east of the Rocky Mountains will be given $50 towards the return to points east of the Rocky Mountains on such horses as start in any of the races and fail to win any money.

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Entries not declared out by 5 o'clock p. m. the day preceding the race shall be required to start and declarations must be in writing and made at the office of the Secretary at the track.

The Management reserves the right to start any heat after the fourth score, regardless of the position of the horses.

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SUMMER MEETING

No. 17—2:10 CLASS TROTTING.....$20,000
No. 33—2:06 CLASS PACING $20,000

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No. 2—2:10 CLASS TROTTING $20,000
No. 39—2:06 CLASS PACING $20,000

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I challenge any man to name a stallion with a broodmare inheritance approaching that of Derbertha Bells,—5 crosses to Green Mountain Maid (dam of 9 and Electioneer), 3 to Alma Mater (dam of 8 and 7 sires, including Alcyone and Alcantara), and 1 each to Miss Russell (dam of 7, including Maud S. 2:08¾ and 6 sires, including Nutwood), Dolly (dam of 4 and 5 sires, including Director, Onward and Thorndale), Beautiful Bells (dam of 11, including 4 world's champions and 10 sires) and Minnehaha (dam of 8 and 6 sires). These are pre-eminently the greatest mares of history in point of number of descendants in the standard list, besides 2 crosses to Bertha, the only mare with 2 in 2:04½, 5 in 2:10 and 13 in the list. Counting duplicates this pedigree contains the blood of 20 mares with an average of 9 performers each, and of the 14 mares appearing in the pedigree of two or more 2:10 trotters in 1910 this pedigree contains 8.

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Sire of

Bon Courage (2) 2:12¾ **Bon Bell (3) 2:17¾**

Son of BON VOYAGE 2:08 and DAPHNE McKINNEY (dam of Frank N. 2:07¼, etc.), by McKinney 2:11¼; second dam La Moscovita (dam of Bon Guy (3) 2:11¾ and 2 others) by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼; third, fourth and fifth dams also in great brood mare list. Bay horse, in every respect a great individual, with substance, finish, and natural, frictionless trotting action. Very sure foal getter and a steadily rising young sire, his few foals possessing his most excellent qualities to a marked degree. Bon Courage was the only California bred three-year-old to win a heat from Esperanza in 1914.

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MAHOMET WATTS 2:08¼....C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton
ONWARD McGREGOR (3) 2:23¼..B. Webster, Pleasanton
PETER McKLYO (3) 2:12½.....Jas. Thompson, San Jose
PRINCE ANSEL (2) 2:20½.....Harry Dowling, Woodland
ROBERT BINGEN 2:11¼.....Harry Dowling, Woodland
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Woodland Stock Farm solicits high class consignments for the sale to be held at the farm on April 15.

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The third annual Southern Arizona Fair was held at Tucson on Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week.

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The committee in charge of the P.-P. I. E. programs announced this week that hopples will be barred in amateur and driving club classes.

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The Horse Review states that Dan Harvey, whose whereabouts were recently sought by a California advertiser, is now a resident of Cooperstown, N. Y.

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Sam Bush is at the Salem, Oregon, track with a stable of six head, some of which suit the webfoot railbirds pretty thoroughly, according to the wireless reports.

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The Horseman and Spirit of the Times futurity for foals of 1915 will be worth $20,000 as heretofore, but the entrance fee has been reduced to $1 on each

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Con Harkins of Stockton has booked to Keefer & Spencer's grandson of Bingen, The Proof (2) 2:29¾, a good trotting daughter of Silver Bow, with a trial in 2:23 in two months' work.

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Only a few more days until entries close for the P.-P. I. E. class purses—April first. Don't overlook any bets in making up your program, as you can get a number of starts.

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The first foal for 1915 at the International 1:55 Horse Farm at Savage, Minn., is a full brother to the brown horse Dazzle Patch 2:09¾, now at Pleasanton being fitted for the $20,000 pace at the fair.

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Sue Fletcher (dam of the good General Watts filly Miss Perfection (3) 2:09¼, owned by R. J. MacKenzie) by Tregantle 2:09¼, was recently bred to Peter Volo 2:03½ at Poughkeepsie. Sue Fletcher gives promise of becoming a very great producer, and is now owned by Miss K. L. Wilks of Galt, Ontario.

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Horsemen who have entries in Pacific Breeders Futurity No. Thirteen for foals of 1913 are reminded that a ten dollar payment is due on Thursday, April first. These foals are the two-year-olds that will race this fall at the P.-P. I. E. and care must be taken that these entries are not allowed to lapse.

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George Oliver, formerly of this city and the R. D. A. N. Y., now located at Salmon City, Idaho, where he is proprietor of the "Chester Ranch," blew into town from the West in time to attend the recent Midwinter sale. George was as brown as an Indian, and a group of his friends at the sale were busy trying to tack on to him some sort o' nom de plume that would fit. Mr. Oliver stated that there is a good half-mile track located near Salmon, and that they expected to have some sport there this summer, in addition to conducting a regular purse meeting. He will take several brood mares home with him—Trotter and Pacer.

All of our eastern contemporaries have "done themselves proud" with recent stallion and breeders' numbers, and we can heartily recommend all of them to horsemen for reading both entertaining and enlightening.

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Woodland Stock Farm has two brand new trotters, both fillies, both by Prince Ansel, one out of Ida Millerton 2:12¼ by Millerton 2:28¼ and the other out of Goldie McKinney by Prince McKinney 45079 (not the California Prince McKinney), grandam Kitty Todd by Todd.

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Al Russell, who wintered at St. Paul, Minn., has moved into training quarters at Lincoln, Neb., where he has Columbia Fire 2:04¾ and others owned by Mr. Bohanan, as well as a number of horses owned by Fremont parties. Al got a nasty hurt at Phoenix last fall and left that city with the aid of a cane, but has suffered no permanent injuries from his spill.

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D. O. Lively of the Department of Live Stock of the P.-P. I. E. received notice this week by cablegram that the Percheron Society of France will give six objects of art as supplementary prizes in the Percheron classes at the exposition shows. Further particulars follow by letter and will be announced in full upon receipt.

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The jawbone telegraph has sent out some real yarns this week, one of them telling of a half in 1:03 and some odd by Zomblack and Frank Perry, with the last eighth in nothin' at all, absolutely nothin'—while Ed Parker's three-year-old trotted in 2:19. And they do say that some of the days in Chicago are almost springlike!

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Oniska, dam of San Francisco 2:07¾ and others, was bought at New York by Harry Burgoyne of Walnut Hall Farm for $150 and was taken to the blue grass home of her famous son. She was in poor shape to sell, as she had traveled far during the winter and it told on her. Rosemint, dam of Arista Ansel (2) 2:18¼, brought a similar figure and went to H. F. Pierce of Stanstead, Quebec.

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A special meeting of the Board of Review of the National Trotting Association will be held at ten o'clock on the morning of Tuesday, May fourth, at the Murray Hill Hotel, New York, and will consider business arising in all of the districts. All communications intended for the consideration of the board at this meeting must be forwarded not later than April 20 to Secretary W. H. Gocher, Hartford.

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With plenty of racing in New York with "jawbone betting" and with pari-mutuels getting the right of way in Nevada, Arkansas, Arizona and perhaps Texas, things in horsedom begin to "look a little up." The pendulum swings just as far one way as it does the other, and a general return of fair racing conditions looms upon the horizon. California will eventually fall in line.

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During the beginning of the week four local horses will be shipped to San Francisco to race at the Panama exposition. Barney Barnes will take College Gent and Strathtell for Joe Carson, while W. W. Fleming will care for Senator Boy and Alberta Dillon for Mac Rochon. Mr. Rochon intended to send the Beaver along but now announces he will be trained at Fort William—Canadian Sportsman.

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A meeting of the Park Amateur Driving Club is called for next Monday evening, when some very important matters will come up for consideration concerning the future of the club's property near the Stadium. An offer has been made for this property and there is a division of sentiment toward the same, some members favoring a sale and others wishing to retain the property intact and proceed with the needed improvements. At Monday night's meeting a proposition will be considered to amend the by-laws to allow more than one membership to be held by an individual, which would allow those wishing to dispose of their holdings, at a figure commensurate with the pro rata sum that would be realized from an acceptance of the present offer.

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The Humboldt County Fair Association claims the dates of September 6 to 10 inclusive for their Twentieth Annual Exposition to be held at Ferndale. There is a good card of races for both harness horses and runners, the latter events open to all comers and the trotting and pacing classes limited to horses owned in Humboldt county prior to January first, 1915. The harness horse purses cover a good range, and run from a twenty dollar half mile buggy race for farmers to a free-for-all trot and pace for four hundred dollars, with the junior contingent cared for by a nice purse for two- and three-year-olds. Without a railroad and minus an appropriation from the state, Humboldt has maintained a successful fair for twenty years and has never failed to pay out. With its improved transportation facilities, a bit of state aid, and the same old brand of honest management that has made the former events successful, Ferndale and Humboldt county offer a beautiful opportunity for a district fair—and some day they will have it. Vice-President W. B. Alford states in a recent letter that they have gotten along nicely so far without the "services" of a racing commission, evidently agreeing with the Breeder and Sportsman that the commission bills introduced this year are less than bum jokes.

MAKE YOUR ENTRIES FOR THE P.-P. I. E.

With the automobile races passed into ancient history, Superintendent William Maxwell and his big force of men and teams have been busily engaged of late in getting the exposition track in shape for the purpose for which it was originally constructed, with the result that few if any signs remain of the days when it was the scene of two of the most entertaining gas buggy contests ever staged. Not only is it rapidly rounding into shape, but excellent shape, the opinion being practically unanimous among recent visitors to the grounds that Mr. Maxwell has laid a piece of dirt both safe and fast. Stable accommodations are in readiness and the forerunners of the racing contingent that will soon take up their quarters at the plant where the greatest meetings in history are to be conducted will find everything prepared for them that can add to comfort, convenience and efficiency.

With but a trifle over ten days remaining until the date of entry closing, everything points to big fields and big crowds in attendance, as horsemen in general have set the seal of approval upon the exposition programs and the crowd at the St. Patrick's Day horse show gave ample evidence of the popularity of the horse with great percentages of the visitors.

Never have more comprehensive or more generous programs been arranged by promoters of harness horse racing. Youngsters have been provided for in stakes already closed for the junior divisions at both gaits, and for both meetings there is an unprecedented array of class races ranging in time from free-for-all to events for green horses, in sums of from one to five thousand dollars, while the 2:06 pacers and 2:10 trotters have the great $20,000 stakes open to them, with entries not closing until June first.

Amateurs, also, have been accorded extensive recognition with a number of classes for purses of one and two thousand dollars, these events open to all who can qualify under the National rule defining an amateur driver as one who has never accepted wages or hire for his services as a trainer or driver. In the pacing events for amateurs hopples will not be allowed, the concensus of opinion being that a hoppled pacer is not properly a "fun horse."

All class races have been made on the plan that encourages snappy contests from the word to the finish, as seventy-five per cent of each purse is awarded on heat standings and the remainder on the standing in the summary at the end of the third heat, when the race ends unless two or more horses be tied for first position, in which case these horses only will race a deciding heat. Time allowance of the National Trotting Association will be recognized in determining eligibility, but must be specified by parties claiming same when entry is made. Breeder's and non winning race records do not constitute a bar. Horses may be entered for 3 per cent on April first, two per cent additional to start, or unless declared out on or before June first for the summer meeting or August first for the fall meeting. Two or more horses may be named in one race by paying one per cent additional on each horse, the starter to be named by 5:00 p. m. on the day before the race.

In fact, the conditions have been drawn in an earnest effort to provide a truly modern meeting on the plans most acceptable to horsemen the land over, in addition to which the promoters have gone one step further by offering to advance $50 per animal towards defraying the return expense of non money winning horses shipped here from east of the Rockies.

Under these conditions we recommend the P.-P. I. E. programs to your most careful consideration—and to your most liberal patronage.

MRS. BALDWIN GETS GREAT PERCHERONS

Pursuant to her intentions announced some time ago of making the Santa Anita ranch famous as a producer of utilitarian horses, Mrs. Anita Baldwin recently purchased in the east a number of the very best Percherons obtainable, securing them through the Dunham-McLaughlin Company of Wayne, Ill., and Oakland, from the famous Dunham establishment at the former city. These most recent purchases, with the stallions and mares obtained some time ago, will form a portion of the livestock display at the exposition until after the horse shows are all over in the fall, when they will be taken to their permanent home at Santa Anita.

The recent importation includes a number of mares famous in show rings either in this country or abroad—in some instances both—among them being the three-year-old Manon, winner of first award as the best mare of her age at the Minnesota State Fair last September (also winner of first prize in France at the Laferte show); the six-year-old mare Imprecise, one of the largest mares in America, that was awarded champion over all ages at Iowa State Fair, and winner of first prize at Lemans, France; another, Rising, three-year-old; Marcotte, first prize winner at Forest City Fair at Cleveland; Livia, winner of seven blue ribbons on the Ohio and Indiana Fair circuit last fall; the two-year-old Rising filly Cicely, and others.

Breeders are cautioned that they must not confuse the Stanford-Occident State No. One, which closed March first, with the Stanford-Occident Futurity No. One which closes Thursday, April first, as the latter stake is drawn on much more popular lines, which are considered elsewhere in this paper.

BREED TROTTERS THAT CAN RACE.

With the demand for trotters and pacers capable of winning on mile and half-mile tracks so great that the most ordinary prospect is given careful consideration by would-be purchasers, those who breed race horses have every reason to look forward to prosperous years. The public demands racing as one of its greatest out-of-door recreations and so long as this continues to be a fact there will be plenty of associations willing to provide the entertainment.

While race horses are in greater demand than ever, the breeder is also confronted with the fact that the market for trotting bred horses lacking in speed is not what it once was. Previously, if a breeder failed to produce a race horse he could sell the animal at a good price as a roadster, while matched pairs of good lookers commanded fancy prices. This condition, while an extremely satisfactory one from a financial standpoint, led too many breeders to become careless. They kept too many mares in the harem that never produced a money winning trotter. This filled the country with trotting bred horses that were valueless for the race track. To breed twenty or thirty colts and get one or two with ability to win was satisfactory so long as the twenty-odd could be sold at a profitable figure.

Breeders did not care and they did not seem to realize that while they were supposedly raising race horses, and had gotten the public to believe the trotter a race horse, they were getting away from their first intention. As a matter of fact, they were breeding roadsters and were content to get an occasional race horse.

If the breeders are to keep on breeding just trotters it would be as well to abolish all the present rules for registration with the exception of rule one. If, however, breeders intend to breed horses, there should be a new register and new methods. Breeders of rac horses make money but the old-fashioned breeders of trotters are not making as much money as formerly, because the demand for road horses is not so great as in years past. And this leads up to the situation that is confronting the breeders.

Will they keep on breeding just trotters, or will they concentrate their attention and devote their whole energies to breeding the race horse?

As noted above, no record has been kept of the percentage of trotting bred foals that develop into race horses. As a guess one might say that ten per cent. are race horses, although personally that seems to be too large. Assuming it to be correct, it would indicate that ninety per cent. of the efforts of the breeders is waste effort. That is considerable of an indictment, is it not? What manufacturing business would be considered a success if but ten per cent. of its goods were up to standard? A large number of trotting stallions are bred to from eighty to one hundred mares each year and yet the stallion that adds ten new performers to his list is the exception. Why is it that forty out of fifty foals do not take standard records? Of course, some are knocked out in training and others meet with accidents, but allowing for these, the percentage is woefully small.

The race horse breeder can make money, lots of it. What should the trotting horse breeder do to become a race horse breeder? He has to discard the trotting bred mares that do not foal race horses. Owners of stock farms have been content to purchase pedigrees. Formerly they paid little attention to the individual, but that day is gone. There are lots of mares being bred each year that are standard bred for five generations and may be all the stallions in the top cross have records, yet when the dams are considered it will be found that few of them have foaled colts with records. Perhaps some of the remote dams have foaled a mediocre performer. Is there any reason why such mares should be kept in the harem if one is trying to breed race horses?

Blood is essential and I would not advise keeping cold blooded mares on a stock farm, but the men who are going to breed race horses will have to consider more than blood. Or perhaps it would be better to say they will have to consider only performing blood, or blood that has and is producing performers.

Right here let us consider some of the methods of European breeders. Horse breeding is such a slow process that the passing of stock farms from father to son, with a certain amount of government direction and encouragement, is an advantage that cannot be disregarded. We cannot have that, but we may study the methods and results and may be able to apply some of the lessons. In one of the European countries no draft mare can be registered until she has proven that she is a worth-while matron. If over there it is considered essential that the mares must show fine colts, should it not be even more necessary when race horses are being produced? If the trotting bred dam had to produce a colt with a standard record before being eligible to registration, a whole lot of worthless well-bred mares would be eliminated from the register, or else a new register association would have to be formed.

The present register association has done excellent work in recording blood lines and this will be even more appreciated by the breeders of the future who will study the work of the early breeders in combining such blood as they had at hand and successfully evolving a new and great breed of horses. As a historical work for the student the present register will be invaluable. In the future there will have to be a ruthless pruning and thousands of richly bred trotting mares will have to be eliminated in order to form a race horse register. The breeder with a lot of well bred mares hesitates about destroying the registration papers of those that have failed to produce standard speed and selling them as just plain horses. He feels that he is doing the industry a great harm, for may not some one of these mares be bred to the right horse some day and produce a really fast race horse? There is such a chance, but it would be better to "destroy" the one more along with ninety-nine worthless ones. The latter, continued in use, serve to discourage a great many breeders until in disgust they chuck the whole business and the industry loses a man who might have attained fame and fortune with the proper foundation stock.

If out of a band of one hundred trotting bred mares the ninety non-producers of speed are eliminated from the breeding ranks by being sold for army or general purpose use, the profits from the resulting foals of the ten remainin mares will be something tangible. The saving in feed, care and service fees would be something enormous. The feed and training of the foals would be another great sum. Today all this expense, or a great part of it, has to be met with the profit from the ten mares producing race horses. If the latter do not happen to be sufficiently sensational to bring exceedingly fancy prices, then the breeder declares his farm a financial failure. Should the foals of the ten mares prove to be only fairly good race horses they would make a big profit for the breeder if he did not have to feed and care for the non-race-horse producing mares.

Russian statisticians claim that some ninety per cent of the trotting bred foals in that country have sufficient speed to take standard records. This is due in a great measure to the care with which the brood mares are selected. For instance, several fast trotting stallions that in this country were only ordinarily successful in siring speed, were able when mated with the Orloff mares to impart standard speed to from eighty to ninety per cent. of their foals. The Russian tracks are not as fast as the ones in this country, while the Russian trainers are certainly not the superiors of Americans as speed makers. The Russian breeders, being men of great wealth, can well effort to exercise great care in the selection of brood mares, and it must be said to their credit that they use rare good judgment. The results stated were possible, too, because of the small number of really fast stallions, so that in order not to overtax them only the best and proven mares were bred to them. Whether this had any bearing or not, it is evident that the owner of a four-minute trotting mare was not allowed to breed her just because he had the price. I have heard the owner of a stallion standing at a high figure—three figures—declare himself as follows: "That fellow has a mare with a couple of cold trotting crosses that cannot trot in three minutes. A few years from now he will be knocking my stallion because the colt he will have cannot beat 2:30." His stallion had a record of better than 2:10. However, he took the money and probably the farmer and scores of more like him, later declared there was "nothing in breeding race horses." He and his friends were not competent to judge, because they were not breeding race horses. They were sending mighty ordinary mares with considerable trotting blood but absolutely no race ability to the court of a good race horse.

Unfortunately, the sire cannot do it all. It was also fortunate for the industry that this stallion stood in a country where there were few fast mares and also none carrying fashionable blood lines. During his lifetime this stallion was bred to at least 1,500 mares. About fifty of the produce took standard records, which was an excellent showing, considering the class of mares sent to his court. The worst thing was that several hundred mares, incapable of taking records, were retained in the breeding business because they were by this stallion and this pedigree did not look so bad on paper. Scores of these mares were mated with really good stallions but, of course, mighty few foals resulted that took records. Possibly a few have won occasional races on half-mile tracks.

Hundreds of farmers have thought they were breeding race horses when they were merely breeding trotters, any many of the latter were not even good individuals. Owing in great measure to the persistent preachings of the turf journals, breeders have paid more attention to size and conformation in recent years. That was a big step forward. Now if they are going to breed race horses they have to take a more important step. The mares that cannot foal at least standard speed each year must be eliminated. Oh, no! The owners do not have to kill them, actually, but as far as the harem is concerned, the harem of the farm breeding race horses, they must be as dead. Their blue-blooded lineage must not save them.

Breeders recognize the importance and value of having record horses—fast ones—at the head of their stud. Now they must apply the same reasoning to the mares. If they do not they will not be breeding race horses.

There is a wealth of trotting material from which to make selections. There are lots of real diamonds. The task of selection will not be an easy one. Many an owner of a mare of high race horse quality has mated her with an unsuitable stallion because the latter happened to be owned by a friend of his and he was willing to sacrifice the services of the mare for a year on the altar of friendship. Most commendable in these commercial days when business recognizes no friends! Hundreds of others have lost their value to posterity because their owner picked a stallion because of his fee.

Things are very much mixed up and it will be no easy thing to make a beginning. The sentimentalist must be replaced by the scientist. The farms with a hundred brood mares will have to sacrifice fift perhaps more. The smaller farms may not have t eliminate so large a proportion in some instance while in others it will be greater. There will b much hesitation and questioning and there will b many mistakes. Of course there will be mistake The history of the trotter is full of them and th occasional instances where they have resulted ha pily, as when a famous breeder returned a mare t her own sire, have encouraged others, and othe were not so happy as when the producing qualitie of a queen of the turf were lost for a year in orde that the whim of introducing the thoroughbred blod close up might be gratified. A foal resulted, bu what a gain might have been made if she had bee bred to Bingen or some other great sire.

What the breeder must do if he is going to mak money is to stop breeding mere trotters and go t breeding race horses. When the breeder is sevent or eighty per cent. efficient in his industry he wil make money and lots of it.

In the meantime he has not got to lose money. Fa from it. The trotter makes the greatest saddle hors and when the European war is over all those armie will have to have good remounts and the farmer will have to replace the horses the armies hav seized. If the breeder is sure he has some culls an wishes to get rid of them immediately now is a goo time—the cannon ball does not stop to ask if th animal is a race horse or a cull. Go on, Mr. Breede and raise race horses and if you get a few that d not come up to the speed standard the man of leisur will purchase them for park use. The saddle path in Central Park are going to be made more use o than ever.

Never was there a more opportune time for th breeder to take account of stock, clean house an arrange to go ahead on progressive lines. Don't b afraid to discard mares about whose qualities ther is any doubt. This fear of disposing of trotting bre stock as just horses for common horse prices in th belief that the new owner may possibly secure a bar gain is the reason so many farms have become bur dened with "boarders" of a most expensive type There is not one chance in a hundred that there wil be any great bargains in the horses so disposed of not if the breeder has sufficient judgment to conduc a really successful farm. You have to take a chance use your best judgment and start in to build up a quality stock farm.

If in the past breeders had been willing to sell th trotters that did not measure up to race horse stand ards to the farmers at the price of farm horses, they would even now be in a position to do a good deal o experimenting with large studs with little or no expense. Unfortunately they expected race horse prices for all trotters and the farmers turned to the draft horse. The farm papers encouraged the farme in the use of the slow, sluggish mountains of flesh and the trotting people never disputed. The latte did not try to show the farmer that the trotter made a more useful animal on the average farm. In this way a big market for the non-race horse was lost and the belief of the public that the trotter is a racing machine, pure and simple, was encouraged.

In the show ring the trotter with tail docked has masqueraded as the hackney and the latter has ob tained credit not due him. Prizes that should have advertised the trotter have gone to other breeds. No organized body of trotting horse breeders has inter fered and demanded that the horse show associations give prizes for trotters and have all pedigrees in all classes published in the catalogs.

The edict has been allowed to stand that the trot ter is a race horse. Under this the old standard is valueless. A new standard must be evolved and the race horse breeders must live up to it.—George A. Ryan in the Western Horseman.

WOODLAND'S SPRING SALE.

On Thursday, April 15, there will be held at Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland, Cal., a sale of high class stock that should attract a good crowd of buyers from all over the coast. The farm has recently disposed of a lease that afforded them some high priced grazing and feed growing facilities and will cut down their band of horses to a number that the farm proper will support in first class shape, and the public will be given opportunity to make selections from their excellent offerings at its own figure. The farm's consignment includes a number of good brood mares, among them proven producers and some of them in foal, saddle horses, racing material, and some exceptionally choice youngsters, all staked, all well broken, and all trotters. Consignments of similar nature are solicited from parties wishing to market same, and assurance of ample publicity and the best possible "deal" is given unreservedly. Entries must be made not later than April 5th, to allow for cataloguing and advertising, and a most reasonable charge will be made to patrons of the event. All particulars may be obtained upon application to Supt. Harry Dowling.

On the heels of the news that the much berated lowly pacer, Sand Hill Pete 2:18¼, will be raced at the trot, comes word that two of his more aristocratic brethren, Tommy Horn 2:04½ and Oakdale 2:06¾, formerly raced as trotters and good ones at that, are being converted to the pace. Roy Owen still has Tommy out in Nebraska, and Lon McDonald's former mount is now in Fred Jamison's stable at Washington, Pa., and may be raced over the eastern twice arounds.

The Bingens

Nearly half a century ago, in the spring of the year 868, there were born in the east two foals of oppo- ite sex (one in New York state, the other in the lue Grass of old Kentucky) who were destined in ture years to find their way to the Golden Slope nd there found, through their union, a dynasty of rotters that is giving to the world many of its great- st light harness performers of today. The colt was lectioneer, the Blue Grass filly was May Queen :20, the son who was to add much luster to the amily name was May King 2:21¼, and we call the ynasty that has sprung from that line the Family of Bingen.

To the writer's notion, the Bingens are a most triking example of the part the dam plays in the roduction of speed, for from the beginning of the ine in the early day of the American trotter, the tallion has had a worthy mate. The dam of Elec- ioneer, famous old Green Mountain Maid, produced ot merely nine standard trotters, but four speed iring sons and five producing daughters, and the lam of May Queen, with fewer opportunities, laid a irm foundation for her claim to prolificacy in the irst generation. Jenny gave birth to two standard rotters to the cover of two stallions of different blood—King Almont 2:21¼ to Almont 33 and May Queen 2:20 to Norman 25—and the offspring of each nating in turn proved a fountainhead of trotting speed, King Almont becoming an established sire with a number in the list and producing sons and laughters, and May Queen's blood breeding on as hereafter noted. She was also the grandam of the rotters Pilgrimage 2:30 and West Egbert 2:29½, the atter a sire of some note, the dam of this pair being he resultant foal from her mating with a non stand- rd non speed siring son of Norman 25, another tes- imonial to the value of her blood as an agency for he begetting of speed and the controlling of gait.

Still a bit further may be traced the foundation of May Queen's worth, as Jenny was a daughter of Crockett's Arabian and Evelina by the old time pacer Davy Crockett. Through Crockett's Arabian is another excellent brood mare cross, as he was by Imp. Mokhladi and out of Kate Crockett (dam of Lula 2:15, by Norman 25, and grandam of Centella 2:21 and Star Hambletonian 2:23¾, a sire) by Imp. Hooten. While Lula produced no standard perform- ers in her first generation her blood has been per- petuated through her daughters, including Lulaneer by Electioneer and Lula Wilkes by George Wilkes, both matrons of a high degree of excellence.

May Queen was herself a trotter of merit, and emerged victress from a number of stoutly contested engagements in the middle seventies, having a total of some twenty-four or five heats to her credit and a record of 2:20 made in the fourth heat of a winning race at Utica, New York. Brought to California by Leland Stanford when past middle age for the aver- age horse she was bred to Electioneer in 1883, her first foal to the cover of the premier of Palo Alto being the bay filly Maiden 2:23, who became in turn the dam of the trotters Ourbells 2:25, Virginia 2:29¼ and Marston C. 2:19¼, the latter a sire. In 1885 she gave birth to Election, who became the sire of nearly a score of performers, and in 1886, at the age of eighteen, threw the brown colt to be known to fame as May King, these three foals by Electioneer being her only produce so far as is known to the writer.

It's a long, long way to Tipperary, if modern ballads are to be believed, and perhaps to some of the readers of this story it seems a long, long way to Bingen, but the writer confesses to a fondness for a sound foundation on the maternal side if great things are to be regularly expected in future years and coming generations, and the temptation to portray fairly fully that portion of the ancestry of May King was irresistible. Having disposed of the maternal inheritance of that good stallion, now pardon as well a backward turn to review the similar branch of the ancestry of Bingen himself.

Bingen's dam was Young Miss (dam of three trotters, two sires, three dams, with seven performers) by Young Jim, sire of the dams of five 2:10 performers, of whom Bingen 2:06¼ is the greatest. Young Miss was out of Miss Mambrino by Red Wilkes, sire of the dams of thirteen in 2:10 including Walnut Hall 2:08¼, sire of the world's champion trotting stallion The Harvester 2:01. (Incidentally it may not be out of place to remind those whose "forget- tories" are more efficient than their memories that Conductor 2:14¼, sire of Walnut Hall, etc., was also a Californian, being foaled at Palo Alto a year later than May King.) Miss Clark, third dam of Bingen, was a daughter of Alric 983 (son of Almont 33 and the great brood mare Queen Lizzie by Mambrino Chief); fourth dam Kate by Clark Chief, sire of the dams of two in 2:10; fifth dam Lida by Vandal, etc.

Bingen was foaled in Kentucky in 1893, the result of the mating by Smith McCann of Young Miss and May King, the latter then unknown to fame as a sire, though possessed of some distinction as a trotter. May King had previously been bred to but very few mares, and not until Bingen was a three-year-old was his place among sires established, Bingen taking a record of 2:12½ in 1896, with two older trotters also appearing and racing in standard time. From this modest beginning May King's representation has spread to include thirty-four performers, five speed siring sons and three producing daughters. Bingen was a great trotter as a five-year-old and also in the following year, which witnessed his permanent retirement to the stud.

His first performer was begotten as a two-year-old, but did not gain a record until 1901 at the age of five, the same year witnessing the appearance of the great son of Bingen and Nancy Hanks 2:04—Admiral Dewey (3) 2:13¼, the first of the family to trot in 2:10 (2:04¾). The first son to sire a 2:10 performer was Todd, whose initial representation in ultra select company was Kentucky Todd 2:08¾. Today the first generation (sons and daughters of Bingen) include one hundred and seventy-five performers, among them Uhlan 1:58, world's champion trotter at all hitches, and thirteen others in 2:10. Five 2:10 trotters, three of them three-year-olds, have been produced by his daughters, and the next generations are breeding right along in similar lines and speeds.

In the table of world's records at the close of the season of 1914, as published in the holiday edition of this paper, members of the family "registered" in over twenty-five instances, which is a fairly comprehensive condensed statement of their championship qualities.

While California has proved the original breeding ground for many championship families, she has at various times found herself "short" in after years on these same strains of blood, and has been compelled to draw upon the east for stallions to perpetuate families founded within her boundaries, the forerunners of the same having been exported to the last member. Such has been the case with the Bingens, as May King was sold as a colt, as was Election, and only in recent years have California breeders had local access to the services of members of the family—first The Proof (2) 2:29¾, a grandson, owned by Keefer & Spencer, now at Pleasanton, and Robert Bingen 2:11¼, a son, established at Woodland Stock Farm.

It may also be mentioned "in passing" that when Californians invade the east for horseflesh they usually get "as good as they make 'em," and no exception has been made in either of these cases. Robert Bingen 2:11¼ is not only a most pleasing type of the family, but is bred on the maternal side in lines that have been most prolific, as his dam is Episode 2:18 (half-sister to Peter the Great 2:07¼, and dam of one performer, one sire of six (including one in 2:04¼) and the dam of Victor Forbes (2) 2:23¾) by Ambassador 2:21½, sire of the dams of Guy Nella 2:07¾, Sylvie T. 2:09¼, etc. His second dam is Santos (dam of Peter the Great 2:07¼, sire of thirty in 2:10; J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08 and five others, etc.) by Grand Sentinel 2:27¼; third dam Shadow (dam of four trotters, one sire of seven, one dam of seven) by Young Octoroon, sire of the dam of Mary Gordon 2:09¾, etc. Peter the Great is hailed as the "sire of the century," and the combination of proven potent. "breeding on" blood carried by Robert Bingen can hardly prove to be other than successful in the production of extreme and uniform speed. His first California foals are due to be dropped this year and their development will be watched with a great deal of interest.

The Proof, who has been longer in California, is a grandson of the head of the house, so that foals by him belong to the same generation as Anna Bradford (3) 2:00¾, Squantum, the three-year-old that forced her to step to this record and was himself timed in 2:01¾, Etawah 2:03¼, Walter Cochato 2:02¼, Princess Todd (3) 2:09¼, and many others already widely known to fame. The Proof is by The Exponent 2:11¾, son of Bingen and Iva Dee, a producing daughter of the great Onward; The Exponent is owned at Maple Lawn Farm in Illinois, and at ten years of age his get include one yearling, twenty two-year-olds, six three-year-olds, and one five-year-old with a record of 2:08½ among a total of thirty-two that have gone into the list, making him one of the most highly respected sires in the middle west. Through his dam, also, The Proof inherits the strains of producing blood that afford the solid backing that is so envied on the maternal side, as his dam is Chord 2:27 (dam of four trotters, one sire) by Wilkes Boy 2:24½, whose daughters have produced eleven in 2:10; second dam Sonata (dam of three trotters, one sire, two dams of nine) by Dictator, sire of the dams of Nancy Hanks 2:04, Brace Girdle 2:04¼ and five others in 2:10. The produce of Sonata include Elfin Dance 2:27, dam of the great stake winning trotter Spanish Queen 2:04¼, Elfin Dance and Chord being full sisters. The Proof's third dam is the double producer Cadenza (whose merits as a matron are further enhanced by the performance of the offspring of her sons and daughters) by King Rene, sire of the dams of W. J. Lewis 2:06¼, Gen. Forrest 2:08, etc.; fourth dam Virgie Wilkes (dam of four, two sires, two dams) by Geo. Wilkes 2:22; fifth dam Cleopatra by American Clay 34, whose daughters were represented by a 2:10 trotter twenty years ago, when less than half a hundred horses had achieved that distinction.

The Proof's oldest foals are now two years of age and are coming rapidly at the trot and will have an opportunity to show their worth in the junior stakes this season. That both representatives of the family just referred to will sire speed of a very profitable nature seems almost inevitable, and with their services in easy access California breeders have no cause for complaint on the grounds of having no proper "Bingens" to which to breed their mares in the hope of getting trotters of the kind that have made the clan so popular and successful farther east.

C. A. HARRISON'S REMINISCENCES OF RUBY LIGHT.

Ruby Light, the bay mare that Lou Crellin raised at Ruby Hill winery, Pleasanton, Cal., was raced last year by a man named O'neal, and she won the 2:19 pace at Rutland, Vermont, half-mile track, on September 8, in straight heats, time 2:20½, 2:20¾, 2:19¼.

Ruby Light was sired by Aerolite G. 2:05¼, son of Searchlight 2:03¼, and was the last foal of Bertha, by Alcantara, one of the world's best brood mares. When Ruby Light was named, Lou Crellin gave a christening party at his winery, about three hundred horsemen being invited. Mr. Crellin had tally ho coaches, stage coaches, carriages and all sorts of vehicles to carry his guests from the depot at Pleasanton; arriving at the Crellin place the guests were received by Mr. and Mrs. Crellin and after the usual Crellin welcome and each guest being made to feel most comfortable, an elaborate feast was set before them consisting of nearly every known variety of eatables and drinkables. The particularly choice eatable was the bull's heads prepared in the original Spanish way.

After the feast was over Mr. Crellin conducted his guests all over the Ruby Hill wineries, and when this interesting expedition was over old Bertha was brought up on the lawn with her beautiful young daughter close beside her. A Mr. McDonald was made spokesman for the occasion, and Mr. McDonald knew the history of the great Bertha and in well chosen words he told all about each and every one of Bertha's sons and daughters. When he had finished about Bertha he called for a name for Bertha's beautiful filly. Well, everyone had a name; the writer had his mind set on Bertha-Light, but Mr. D. L. Hacket suggested the name Ruby Light in honor of Mr. Crellin's home, Ruby Hill, and Searchlight. Every one present voted for the name of Ruby Light and with as much good cheer and good wishes as if we were christening a real queen, Ruby Light was christened by Mr. Crellin's friends. After partaking of more of Mr. and Mrs. Crellin's hospitality the christening party said good bye to the Crellin household, and I know that if every man who was at that party is alive today—which I hope they all are—each and every man will remember that it was one of the most enjoyable parties ever given by a gentleman to his horsemen friends, while the writer will always think of Mr. Crellin's christening party as the one best picnic of his life.

I have watched Ruby Light's career and know she was a great two- and three-year-old, but she had a mishap in her four-year-old form and did not get over it. When Dick Wilson took her east two years ago, she got all off and was sold at New York sale. Tonight I picked up the Horse Review of September 23, 1914, and was looking over the reports and came across Ruby Light's name and her race which gave me the notion to write all this, which while I know it is ancient history, yet I believe that every man who was a guest at Ruby Hill will read with pleasure and each and every one will say with me, May Lou Crellin himself, his wife and family and fine horses, live for ever.

Old Bertha is gone to Horse Heaven but many of her sons, daughters and granddaughters and grandsons are making new harness horse history and will continue to do so.

Ruby Light is owned in Vermont Marble hills but her name will, I know, bring back a pleasant reminder to those who attended her christening at the Ruby Hill winery bome of one of California's best men and one of the world's best sportsmen.

Yours truly,

C. A. HARRISON.

GETAWAY DAY MADE DAN AND EDDIE NERVOUS.

"It was a busy day at the Savage farm. Dan himself seemed to scent in the atmosphere of hustle and bustle, prospective turf contests, admiring crowds and the like. He accordingly took a lively interest in the proceedings and displayed every evidence of his desire to join the family party.

"The entire population of the city of Savage, headed by Mayor E. J. Hanson and the local band, assembled at the station to witness the departure, the mayor making one of the clever speeches for which he is famous. He wishes the stable luck, and declared that the carload of glistening race horses, the war chests and the track paraphernalia had caused the lure of the turf to once more seize him with a wellnigh irresistible force. He opined that he was sorely tempted to forsake his municipal duties for the plebeian rub-rag and scraper, which he wielded so skillfully in the days of yore."

So runs the Spirit of the West's story of the departure of the International 1:55 Horse Farm's racing stable for Pleasanton early in the month, and if there is anything regrettable about the Dan Patch stable as it now stands in its new training quarters it is the absence of the "old boss" and Mayor Eddie Hanson. However, the fall horse shows will doubtless bring the farm's premier to the coast, and the big meetings at the fair—one or both of 'em—will just naturally cause the mayor to turn over his job to the constable and beat it for a seat right near the wire at the exposition track. Incidentally, His Honor has sent out some awful yarns about Dazzle Patch and that 2:06 pace—regular bear-cats! Nobody would be overly surprised if Eddie's yarns came true, either.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY HORSE SHOW.

Taking Wednesday's horse show at the Forum in the Live Stock Department of the P.-P. I. E. as a proper medium for gauging the part to be played by the horse in the doings of the big exposition at various dates, the management has made a strike of the first order in according so much prominence in its programs to this best of man's friends. A crowd estimated at ten thousand enthusiastic souls gathered in the stands surrounding the show rings and clear through a program of fifteen events gave hearty applause to the equine beauties that were put through fancy paces for their entertainment.

The kiddies started the show with their pet ponies, and officers and troopers from Uncle Sam's forces wound it up with a keenly contested class for high jumpers, the intervening program providing classes for the exhibition of a wide range of horses—ladies' jumpers, three and five gaited saddlers, cavalry chargers, saddle tandems, "cow horses," carriage pairs, and trotters, both single and double. A mile race to saddle brought out a nice contest which the crowd enjoyed hugely, and the performance of Mrs. R. J. MacKenzie's Quarrie Denmark, ridden by Mrs. Olive Beckman, handsomely and most appropriately clad, brought forth round after round of applause. Mrs. Beckman has trained Quarrie from the first and has made him one of the greatest highschool performers in the country. The handsome pair also appeared in the evening at the ball at the Auditorium and repeated the triumphs of their afternoon appearance, their presence adding much to the gayety of the closing celebration of the day.

Many of the winners at the recent Charity Horse Show reappeared in the classes in the Forum, with a goodly number of new faces appearing as well. Prominent among the "repeaters" were Dan Hoffman's entries, Tom Smith and Jonesie Mac; the handsome pairs from the Kelly Stables; Smiley Corbett, ridden by Mrs. Wand; E. C. Ford's Golden; Rex Mack, Delight, Black Bart and Gwendoline, Lady Barbara, Killarney, and a number of others. The day's awards were as follows:

First event, children's ponies, under 12 hands—First, Larua McGinn, riding Bonnie; second, Riding and Driving School entry, Silver; third, Thomas Privett, riding Prince.

Second event, children's ponies, over 12 hands and not exceeding 14.2—First, Nola I. Phillip, riding Joe; second, Riding and Driving School entry, Gold; third, Mary Lennon, riding Mary Ann.

Third event, pairs of trotters, stallions, mares or geldings over 15 hands—First, Dan Hoffman, driving Jonesie Mac and Tom Smith; second, Ed Kelly, driving McKay and Johnson; third, E. M. Doyle, driving Alto Trix and Peachey.

Fourth event, three-gaited saddle horses, stallions, mares or geldings exceeding 15.2, three years old or over—First, Mrs. E. H. Lockwood, riding Killarney; Lieutenant Wainwright, riding Jack; Edgar J. de Pue, riding Emiline.

Fifth event—Carriage pairs, mares or geldings, exceeding 13.2, 3 years old and over—First, Kelly stables, driving Starlight and Harriet; second, Kelly stables, driving Flood and Flannigan; third, Kelly stables, driving Pleasure and Pastime.

Sixth event—Stock horses, shown under stock saddles—First, S. T. Privett, with Midnight; second, Pedro Leon, with Star; third, G. A. Merchant, with Baldy.

Seventh event—Trotters: Stallions, mares or geldings, over 15 hands—First, J. J. Gethin, driving Sutton; second, D. E. Hoffman, driving Tom Smith; third, Thomas Nelson, driving Thomas N.

Eighth event—Saddle tandems, mares or geldings, exceeding 15 hands, manners and reinsmanship counting 30 per cent. First, Miss Mary Andrus, riding Rex Mack and Lee Rex; second, Mrs. Phil Wand, riding Black Bart and Gwendeline; third, Mrs. W. C. Ralston, riding Emiline and Delight.

Ninth event—Officers' chargers, over 15.1 hands, four years old and over: First, E. C. Ford, riding Golden; second, Lieutenant Wainwright, riding Jack; third, Joseph Speck, riding Splitt.

Tenth event—Horses suited for cavalry; mares or geldings, 4 years old and over, exceeding 15.1 hands: First, E. C. Ford, riding Golden; second, Sergeant Sorensen, riding Chief; third, Trooper Johnson, riding Chester.

Eleventh event—Five-gaited saddle horses, stallions, mares or geldings; all horses to show five distinct gaits: First, O. O. Youngren on GypsyJim; second, Miss Mary Andruss on Rex Mack; third, Henry Hewett on Lee Rex.

Twelfth event—Three-gaited saddle horses, stallions, mares or geldings: First, E. J. de Pue on Delight; second, Major J. G. Harbord on Halim; third, Miss Mauricia Mintzer on Lady Barbara.

Thirteenth event—Ladies' jumping exhibition; best performance over four consecutive hurdles 3 feet 6 inches high: First, Miss Mary Andruss on Wonderful; second, Mrs. Phil Wand on Santa Cruz.

Fourteenth event—One mile race, trotters under saddle: First, Mrs. Phil Wand on Smiley Corbett; second, J. J. Hewett on Allen; third, I. B. Dalziel on Cresto.

Fifteenth event—High jump, open to all: First, Sergeant W. C. Connor on Sugarbird; second, Trooper Johnson on Blue; third, Lieutenant Wainwright on Skyrocket. Highest jump, 5 feet.

ENGLISH RACES TO CONTINUE.

London, March 16.—The Jockey Club has decided to continue racing in spite of the war. The only change from times of peace will be the necessary curtailment of social functions in connection with the Epsom and Ascot meets. The club held at the residence of Lord Derby in London today a special meeting to decide the question, on which public opinion is divided so widely. After an exhaustive discussion the club confirmed its decision.

BOB COSGROVE RESIGNS.

After serving eleven years as secretary and manager of the Spokane, Wash., Interstate Fair, Robert H. Cosgrove has resigned, after gaining the reputation of building up the greatest fair in the Northwest. George P. Larsen, formerly secretary and manager of the Columbia River Interstate Fair at Vancouver, Wash, has been appointed to succeed him. This year's show at Spokane will be the twenty-second annual one, and advance notices give lots of promise on its quality.—Western Horseman.

IN TRAINING AT SALEM.

Salem, Oregon, Mch. 16, 1915.

The Willamette valley is famous, among other things, for having generous quantities of rain—these same showers being responsible directly for the generous incomes derived from agriculture by the residents of the valley—but no one could have found any fault with the winter and early spring just passed for conditioning horses. The track here has been pretty good all winter, and now is being worked daily and is in shape for much faster stepping than the local trainers are yet indulging in, though most of them are beginning to move along in pretty fair shape.

Sam Bush is here with a nice though not extensive stable, including the Zolock trotter McAlzo 2:21¼, out of Zodell by Zombro, and the green trotters Robin West by R. Ambush 2:09½, dam by Zombro, and Bon Diablo by Bonaday 2:11¼ and out of a Diablo mare.

Dean Swift 2:08, last season's fastest western trotting gelding, is in the Skaggs stable and is doing nicely, while Trainer Grant has J. C. Leggett's good pacer Francis J. 2:08 by The Patchen Boy (3) 2:10¾.

Ed Keyt has a stable of good ones including the trotting mare Wild Girl 2:19½ by Wild Nutling, dam Lucy B. by Geo. Washington 2:16, and her son Wild Boy by King Seal 2:09; a black colt by On Voyage 2:25¾, dam by Coeur d'Alene 2:19½; Edith M. by R. Ambush 2:09½, dam by Vinmont, and the green pacer Ilene by R. Ambush, dam by Coeur d'Alene.

John B. Stetson has one of the largest stables in the valley, and while the pacers predominate they are not unanimous, as John has one real good trotter in the bay mare Novela by Letrado (3) 2:25, dam by Alaska 2:29, bred at the Brook Nook Ranch in southern Montana. She is racy and rugged and worked last year in 2:17, with quarters in :31. The pacing contingent goes free legged for the most part and includes Excellency by Hal B. 2:04¼, dam by Sternberg 2:15½; Hal Onward by Hal B., dam Belle Onward by Shadeland Onward; Bonnie B. 2:17½ by Hal B., dam Alma K. by Bonnie Boy; Tosora (3) 2:26½ by The Patchen Boy (3) 2:10¾, dam Niquee 2:13¼ by Joe Patchen 2:01¼; Boniquee by Count Boni, dam Niquee 2:13¼, and Hal Regent by Hal B. 2:04¼, dam by Vice Regent. This is the lad that C. A. Harrison claims to have had "wished on him" by Mr. Stetson, and while C. A. was perfectly satisfied with the fellow as an individual, and liked the Hal B. part of the pedigree all right, he seemed a bit afraid of the maternal side. Listen: Vice Regent, who is himself a sire and has a further representation through both sexes of his get, is a full brother to Heir at Law 2:05¼, being by Mambrino King and out of Estabella (dam of six and grandam of Ess H. Kay 2:00¼, Lady of the Manor 2:04¼, etc.) by Alcantara 2:23. Hal Regent's second dam is Antonia (dam of A. Laundry 2:18, sire of a 2:10 performer; grandam of two trotters) by Electioneer; third dam Columbine (dam of four trotters, six sires, two producing daughters) by A. W. Richmond; fourth dam Columbia by Bonnie Scotland, and so on back to Sir Charles and Sir Archy. How J. C. Simpson or S. W. Parlin would revel in that pedigree! The chances are they would tell Clint his horse was all right if he only had a sire. Times do change, don't they. At any rate, in the jargon of Yesler Way, Clint should worry—not. —OREGON.

STANFOR-OCCIDENT FUTURITY No. ONE.

Close upon the heels of the Stanford-Occident Stake Number One for foals of 1914 to trot and pace in 1917, comes the announcement by the State Agricultural Society of its inauguration of a new series of events to be known as the Stanford-Occident Futurities, Number One of which series, for foals of mares covered in 1914, to trot and pace as three-year-olds in 1918, closes with Secretary Paine on Thursday, April first, 1915.

The sum of $5000 is guaranteed by the society, $3000 for trotters and $2000 for pacers, money to be divided and raced for under the same general plan as in the stake just closed, with these very important and pleasing exceptions—no percentage of any portion of the purse will be deducted from money winners, and a right of substitution is provided. This will make the futurity much more popular with breeders than was the stake, wherein no substitution clause was incorporated and in which most of them felt the money winners were heavily penalized.

Five dollars must accompany the entry on April first, $50 in all carrying same until ten days before the first day of the state fair of 1918, when starting payments of $50 on pacers and $100 on trotters must be made. The conditions are based on the popular three heat, every heat a race plan, and division is so made that the winner will find his efforts to have been decidedly worth while.

Following the lead set by Detroit and Cleveland in the matter of making their big trotting stakes for faster classes, Kalamazoo is now out with the announcement that her ten thousand dollar Paper Mills Stake is made for 2:07 trotters, while the three thousand dollar Burdick Hotel pace is for those eligible to the 2:09 class. Four events of two thousand dollars each are offered for 2:18 and 2:11 trotters and 2:17 and 2:06 pacers, these early closers to be supplemented later by an offering of fourteen class purses of one thousand dollars each.

The Alameda County Butchers will hang up $2350 for harness races at Pleasanton on July fifth.

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Lou Taylor, who for some months has occupied quarters at the Pleasanton Driving Park, transferred the scene of his activities this week to his former stand at the track at San Jose. Lou is an old favorite at that point, and as he had some San Jose horses to train he moved back so their owners could have the pleasure of seeing them work without inconvenience. The delegation there continues to increase steadily and the railbirds are beginning to twitter there as elsewhere.

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The Percheron Society of America favors the single judge system in their classes at the P.-P. I. E., and the directors have recommended the services of any one of the following gentlemen to the Department of Livestock as fully competent to officiate in that capacity: C. F. Curtiss, Ames, Iowa; William Bell, Wooster, Ohio; James M. Fletcher, Elgin, Illinois; J. L. DeLancey, Northfield, Minnesota, and W. E. Pritchard, Ottawa, Illinois. All are prominent in heavy horse circles.

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Visiting or resident horsemen will find everything in the way of "tack" and stable accessories always obtainable at the establishment of J. David West, 1265-67 Golden Gate avenue. Mr. West specializes on the well known "Sell" lines and can furnish anything desired on short notice. All standard veterinary remedies are also kept constantly on hand, and hurry up calls for "Giles," "Save the Horse," "Gombault's," "Reducine," "Absorbine," "Wonderworker" and the like will be promptly cared for.

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The northwest offers some nice training and racing grounds this year, in charge of competent men, and in every instance horsemen are taking advantage of the facilities offered to get their horses in shape for the season's activities later on. Joe Huber, Montana's "old reliable," has the Bozeman track, which is one of the best in the treasure state, and out on Puget Sound the half-mile tracks at Seattle and Everett are in the capable hands of P. J. McCormack and Sheriff Donald McRae, respectively. Fred Woodcock has the Forest Grove track, Fred T. Merrill is in charge of the Portland oval, and the "Lone Pine" course at Salem is in great shape—has been good nearly all winter and is now being worked daily.

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Just where he found the time to do it nobody knows, as he is always busy at something or other, but in Prince Arista Superintendent Harry Dowling of Woodland Stock Farm has developed an amazingly clever young high school saddler in a very short time. Less than two months has elapsed since the Prince's education in the "higher branches" commenced, and in that time he has not only developed five distinct gaits to an exceptional degree of perfection, but also has become "letter perfect" in a wide range of "stunts," which he goes through as though he enjoyed doing them thoroughly. It is a nice example of what a bit of patience and "savvy" can accomplish with a horse of brains and breeding.

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Roy Owen at West Point, Neb., is wintering a strong racing stable and from all indications he is getting ready to repeat what he did in 1912 and 1913, that of being the largest money winner racing on middle western half-mile tracks. His stable numbers Tommy Horn 2:04½ (now training on the pace); Shadeline p. 2:07¼; Sirlain p. 2:08¼; Bill Barleycorn p. 2:08¼; Glen Onward 2:14½; Lord Duke 2:15¼; Dolly Dimple 2:21¼, and among the balance of the stable is much stuff eligible to the green classes that are real race horses and are by such noted sires as Archdale, Mighty Onward, Peter the Great, Burning Star, Onslow, Shady Dude, etc.—Spirit of the West.

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Godfrey Preece has just returned from California with a lot of saddle horses and polo mounts which he considers to be the best he has yet procured. They include sixty head, mostly of thoroughbred type, as well as some children's ponies. Among the polo mounts Mr. Preece especially fancies Truthful, by Borgia, dam Cheviot, bred by Mr. C. Boots of San Jose, Cal.; Billy Shoot by Dave Tenny, dam Jay Gibb; Ding Dong by Yellow Tail, dam Tinkle Tinkle; Lady Cougar by Cougar, dam Sweet Marie; Why by Poyart and several others by Dan Tenny. Among the polo mounts is Little Birdie, winner of many races and roping competitions in Arizona and El Paso, Texas. Registered saddle-bred and Thornton saddle horses top the lot.—Rider and Driver.

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Robert E. Ellison of Lima, Ohio, who has been spending the winter in California, has been among the visitors at Pleasanton recently and his stay has been highly enjoyable both to himself and his many old acquaintances among the Pleasanton colony, as well as to a good many new ones. Almost a quarter of a century has passed since "Uncle Bob" sat behind that great old Brown Hal pacer, Storm 2:08½ (who, by the way, was the first of the get of the Tennessee sire to break into the 2:10 list), but the passing seasons have dealt kindly with him and his interest in horses is as keen as ever. With V. L. Shuler, Charley DeRyder, S. S. Bailey and others of the senior members of the fraternity he has raced over a lot of old time events during the trip, and while none of them got back as far as Paul Revere's famous trial against time, they did race 'em clear to Phil Sheridan's attempt at the twenty mile record.

The 1:55 Stable

In charge of Trainer Railey Macey and a goodly force of competent caretakers, eleven head of the Dan Patch family arrived at Pleasanton on Monday, March eighth, several hours overdue owing to unloading at Ogden on account of a touch of illness suffered by one of the youngsters en route. The weather encountered across Nebraska and part of Wyoming was of the "ringtailed snorter" kind that occasionally manifests itself in those sections, and considerable difficulty was experienced in keeping the car at anything like the temperature of the enclosed track and stables at Savage. But one of the number suffered any ill effects of the blizzard, however, and that one is rounding to very nicely at Pleasanton, while the balance are in the very best of condition.

Chief among the stable's mainstays for the exposition events are the sons of the 1:55 farm's premier, Dan Patch 1:55¼, that are entered in the big $20,000 stakes at both meetings—Dazzle Patch 2:09¾ for the 2:06 pace and Electric Patch 2:09¼ for the 2:10 trot. The former is a racy looking brown horse, now six years of age, out of Renline (dam of Rena Patch 2:06¼, Dazzle Patch 2:09¾, etc.) by Online 2:04, grandam Kate Fearnaught (dam of three) by Royal Fearnaught 1501, sire of the dams of Auto 2:04¼, Octoo 2:07¼ etc. As a two-year-old this lad had a mark of 2:24¼, which he reduced last year to the present figures, and he is hailed by Mr. Savage as the successor to his sire for pacing honors if accidents will steer clear of his path. He has worked halves in :56¾ and miles in 2:02½, so he looms pretty formidably among the field of great pacers that will contest for the greatest stakes ever hung up for horses of their gait.

While Dan Patch has been most successful as a sire of extreme speed at the pace, seventeen of his get having attained honorable recognition in ultra select company with records of from 2:05¼ to 2:10 at the lateral way of going, it remained for Electric Patch to prove his rightful claim as a sire of 2:10 trotters, the black boy being the first of the family to break into the exclusive set at that way of going. As a two-year-old he was merely put in the list with a time record, but as a three-year-old he went out in company and brought home a whole string of scalps, as is befitting a "savage" when he goes on the warpath. Before leaving home he was given a time record of 2:12 and then made a campaign of eight starts, over both mile and half-mile tracks, never losing a heat, and winning a total of $2650. His best mile over a two lap track was in 2:17¾ at Des Moines, and on two separate occasions he demonstrated his ability to beat 2:10 over the big rings, stepping the Illinois State Fair Grounds oval in 2:09¾, 2:11¼ and 2:11¾, and the mile track at Sedalia in 2:09¼ and 2:11. He is a bit different type from the fast pacer, being more rugged, larger, and of a more sluggish disposition—the kind that only accident keeps from lasting a long time. He is a black horse, now four years old, out of Zella Directum 2:27¼ (dam of two) by Directum 2:05¼, grandam Crescent 2:24¼ (dam of Gulvallis Directum 2:09¾, etc.) by Robert McGregor 2:17½.

Fay Patch, the farm's entry for the two-year-old trot, is a nice brown filly by Dazzle Patch, out of Miss Flashlight (dam of Cory Kilvert 2:16½) by Baron Wilkes 2:18, grandam Vera 2:18¾ by Stamboul 2:07½, the latter mare bred by L. J. Rose of Los Angeles and raced here in California in 1893. For the two-year-old pace they also have a daughter of their candidate for stake honors, Judith Patch, the bay filly out of Hal Raven 2:03¾, by Hal B. 2:04½, grandam Raven 2:10 (dam of two) by Alcantara 2:23. This lass has a great speed inheritance and promises to live up to it, as she has shown very nicely at the pace in her early education. For the three-year-old pace the International colors will be up behind Agnes Patch (2) 2:24 by Dan Patch, out of Louise Hersey by Arion 2:07¾, grandam Jennie Jackson (dam of two) by Mambrino King.

In addition to these already entered in the stakes, the farm will make numerous entries throughout the program, and have brought out a number of the "tried and true" that have been to the races in former seasons. Drift Patch (2) 2:21, now three, is the youngest and least experienced of the balance of the stable, and is a breezy gaited lad out of May Drifton 2:10¼ by Drifton B. 2:20, grandam Lima by Saranac. Mary E. Patch, out of Prelissa (dam of Alpha W. 2:06¼, Bob Fitzsimmons 2:07¾, Pearl Patch 2:06¼, etc.) by The Prelate, grandam Toto by Totoway, is another good Dan Patch trotter. She had a record of 2:29½ as a two-year-old, was second to Jack Swift at Milwaukee as a three-year-old in 2:16¾ and 2:10½, raced very little in 1913 but won one of her two starts and reduced her record to 2:24¼, and obtained her present mark of 2:17¼ last year at Peoria, in a five heat race in which three heat winners developed, the other two being John Mack 2:12¼ (now at Los Angeles being fitted for the exposition meeting) and Judge Hutch 2:17¼. She is a husky seven-year-old now, and as she is eligible to the 2:25 class she looks like a pretty fair one for 1915.

Buzz Patch is a four-year-old black mare whose pedigree is reminiscent of good days done, as she is out of Heloise Grattan by Grattan 2:13, grandam the good campaigner of two decades ago, the gray mare Phenol 2:07¼ by Jersey Wilkes. She was given a time record of 2:25¾ as a two-year-old, and last year reduced this record first to 2:15½, then to 2:12. Princess Patch, now seven years of age, is out of International Queen 2:13½ (dam of four) by Tom Exum 2:13½, grandam Sylvinia 2:17¼ (dam of two) by Silver Cloud Jr., and has been raced regularly since her two-year-old form, reducing her record season by season from 2:24¼ to 2:18¼, 2:11¾, 2:08¼ and 2:06¾. Last year she figured in some hard fought split heat races in fast company and will doubtless give some good man and horse a "considerable chore" to beat her in 1915. The other pacer of the string is the bay horse Power Patch 2:09¼, full brother to Liberty Patch 2:08¼, both being out of the old favorite of many a "gory field," Effie Powers 2:08¼ by Anderson Wilkes, grandam Fanny Powers by Regalia. This lad was raced a bit last year as a four-year-old for education and is eligible to the slow classes; if he bears the "earmarks" of his mammy when the roundups start he will give folks something to think about pretty seriously.

But one member of the stable does not own allegiance to the Joe Patchen dynasty—the eight-year-old bay trotting mare Jean Arion 2:08¼. As her name implies, this lass is by the Palo Alto champion Arion 2:07¾, who made his home at the International establishment, her dam being Sarah Shelton 2:28¼ by Bedford 2:30, grandam Princess Clay by American Clay 34. From a time record of 2:24 as a two-year-old she has come on down the line with a four-year-old record of 2:17, racing to her present record as a five-year-old at Milwaukee, that being the only year she was raced to any extent. She has always managed to get tangled up in tough company when going fast and in 1912 figured prominently in a number of the "split heat" kind that keep the crowd interested. In the seasons of 1913 and 1914 she made but one start each, winning the 2:09 trot at Cleveland in the former year and finishing second to Aquill at Peoria last summer.

The Savage stable is making its usual pleasing impression at Pleasanton, as everything about the outfit is "spick and span" and Mr. Macey and his assistants are always ready to give the visitor all information desired. They are stabled in the same row with the horses of the Childs family, and the 1:55 boys promise to run those eminent landscape gardeners a hot race for well kept lawns and flowers after they really get settled for the season. Mr. Savage is expected to arrive early in April, and as he has been one of the most steadfast supporters of the exposition meetings among horsemen from across the divide, Californians will take considerable interest in the welfare and success of the horses he has brought out as prima facie evidence of his belief in big races for big fairs, and as a fitting testimonial of his approval of the enterprise displayed by the directors of the P.-P. I. E. in according pacers the prominence that is their due on modern racing programs.

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Highbrows please note: Earl Beezley of Syracuse, Nebraska, promises to race Sand Hill Pete 2:18¼ on the trot this year, after having gained an honorable record, some money and the severe disapproval of certain finicky folks back east as a pacer. You simply kinnot keep a good horse down.

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Holly Brand 2:06¾ paced a half over the ice on the last day of the Winnipeg Driving Club meeting in :59½, while Mollie Darling 2:05¼ did the trick in :59¾ and 1:00½. R. J. MacKenzie was one of the timers and there was no shenanigan about either time or distance, as the engineers' test shows the track to be a foot over the half.

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Elmo Montgomery has leased of Carey Montgomery the pacer Dan Logan 2:07½, full brother to the redoubtable Jim and always claimed by very many horsemen to be just as good or better—which means he is "some hoss" when right. He was off last year with sickness, but has shown some very fast work at different times, and if he comes on right may be a starter in some of the good pacing events at the exposition meetings.

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Johnny Ray, of Cleveland, the well known actor, who is a real fanatic on the subject of a good trotter, spent two or three days here the past week, on his way home from St. Augustine, Fla., where he had been recuperating from a slight illness. He went from here to Dayton, where he will resume his work on the Keith vaudeville circuit. Mr. Ray has four horses in training here in the stable of H. C. Moody and another in charge of John Splan, which will be turned over to Moody soon to train this season. Mr. Ray has Fiesta Maid 2:11¾, by Zombro 2:11; Prince Ansel Jr., a two-year-old Prince Ansel colt; a two-year-old bay filly by Nushagak, and a yearling by True Kinney 2:12¼, dam by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, which are in the stable of Moody at the present time. The other one is a three-year-old chestnut filly, formerly known as Miss Stackhouse, but which name will be changed to Emray in honor of Mrs. Ray. Emray is a chestnut filly by Peter the Great, dam by Cochato, and is quite a handsome filly. In conformation and general appearance she bears no little resemblance to the grand little mare, Soprano 2:03¾, but Mr. Ray says that he will be satisfied with considerable less speed than the great daughter of Bellini showed. She has a faint stripe in her face like Soprano.—Lexington Correspondence, Western Horseman.

FIVE HARNESS RACES AT PLEASANTON JULY 5

The Butchers Exchange of Alameda County will hold their annual picnic independently this year rather than in conjunction with the San Francisco organization as has generally been the practice in the past, and are arranging a big two-day celebration to be held at Pleasanton Driving Park on Sunday and Monday, July fourth and fifth. For Sunday they will have motorcycle races, vaquero contests, special trade matinee races, dancing and all the general sports that go to round out a real picnic program, while on Monday the big feature of the day will be a good card of five races, with $2,350 hung up for the trotters and pacers.

The main events, the 2:20 trot for $500, the 2:20 pace for a similar sum, and the 2:12 trot for $650 are open to horsemen everywhere, and in addition there is offered two purses of $350 each, one for trotters and one for pacers, limited to horses owned by butchers on June first, when entries close, owners to drive. These events, which are to be known as "The T Bone Trot" and "The Porterhouse Pace" are expected to be the big scream of the picnic from the cleaver-wielders' standpoint and the competition promises to be as keen as keen. A number of the members of the craft who already own steppers are beginning to get 'em ready, while those who can drive and want to get in the fun have ample time to make purchases of steeds tried and true.

The Exchange has taken out membership in the National Trotting Association and will conduct the meet under National rules. All races will be on the three heat, every heat a race plan, with the money on each heat awarded 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent as usual. The money in the butchers' specials will be divided $100 to each heat and $50 to the horse standing highest in the summary, in the 2:20 trot and 2:20 pace $150 to each heat and $50 to the winner of the race, and the 2:12 trot $200 to each heat and $50 to the boss horse. In case two or more horses are tied for best position in the summary at the end of the third heat, those horses only shall race a fourth heat, as is customary, heat winners not race winners receiving no eligibility records. Entrance will be five per cent, divided in two equal instalments, one to accompany entry and the balance to be paid before starting, with the usual five per cent from money winners. Entry blanks and all particulars will be fully circulated before time of entry closing.

The Alameda butchers are a live bunch with money to spend and they like horse races—as most normal minded folks do. There will be none too much racing in California this season, and their ready money offerings, under the conditions most generally acceptable, should meet ready favor at the hands of all horsemen who are training within easy access of Pleasanton. Competent officials will be in charge and purses paid at the wire. Should anyone desire information concerning the event in general, prior to the issuance of entry blanks and further particulars, the same may be obtained upon application to Messrs. O. G. Newhall, Chairman, 2863 Broadway, or C. A. Bright, Sec.Treas., 603 Castro street, Oakland.

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HARTFORD BACK IN GRAND CIRCUIT.

Hartford, March 6.—The Connecticut State Fair Association, members of the Grand Circuit, will hold the dates assigned to Charter Oak Park track the week of September 6. This was voted unanimously by the board of directors at a special meeting held here this afternoon.

Under the by-laws of the fair association the executive committee that had the power to adopt or decline the dates decided the latter at a meeting held late in January, by a vote of four to one. Later the committee allowed an exception and allowed a special meeting of the board of directors to reconsider the question, with the result that the decision was rescinded and Charter Oak Park, the oldest member of the circuit, still remains in the big racing line.

Homer J. Kline, of Cleveland, secretary of the Grand Circuit, attended the meeting here today and presented many strong arguments in favor of Hartford's return to the Grand Circuit, its benefit to harness racing in general and the eastern division in particular, and also the damage sure to result if Hartford track remained out.

The discussions at the meeting developed the fact that the general sentiment of all the directors was strongly in favor of maintaining the dates, yet some were still smarting under the raw deal which a member of the circuit, Michigan State Fair, gave Hartford by conducting an opposition meeting last year. These were persuaded to forget the past, and everything passed off smoothly, not a single vote being cast in opposition.

The unanimous action of the directors fully proved the falsity of the reports sent out from Hartford that some were in favor of offering purses for half-mile track horses and others doubting the advisability of following Montreal and Empire City, with any hope of drawing the big line stables to Hartford. The action of Detroit last year proved to be the only cause of dropping out from the circuit for a short time at least. Secretary Orlando Jones was instructed to prepare his early closing programme, which will be announced in due time within the specified 126-day limit. Secretary Kline returns to Cleveland tomorrow very much pleased with the result of today's meeting—Horse Journal.

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ANIMAL LIFE ON THE MOJAVE DESERT.

There is no place on the Mojave Desert so barren, hot, desolate, or far from water but what gives sustenance to many and varied forms of animal life, is the story of Will Frakes, who will be remembered by sportsmen as the only successful captor of big horn mountain sheep, which he succeeded in making tamer than the ordinary variety. Specimens he caught are now in different zoological gardens in this country and thriving well. These living creatures in different localities range from the tiny ant to the magnificent bighorn mountain sheep.

The naturalist who goes out there for the social love and companionship of the different forms of life that he will find, and not for murder, money, nor to gather material for a fancy magazine article, will be so deeply interested that he will fail to see any desert. For wherever he may wander he will see many and varied living creatures that are different from the same species that he has met with in other localities.

They are simply differently constructed and better adapted abiding places for that mysterious vital force called life. Still it is the same life that throbs in every one of them. It is the same life that throbs in the man, the very same, there is no difference. Yet, should one of these brother forms of life show the least friendliness or confidence in man by coming too near to him, and more especially if it was some rare creature that man had never seen before, and in need of his protection, the chances are about even that the man would grab up a rock or a six-shooter and try to murder his poor dumb friend.

If he succeeded, he would feel a thrill of pleasure, even when he saw it quivering and gasping for breath. Although he had no possible use for it, it never did him any harm, and was a beauty and a grace to the country in which it lived, man feels a sort of fiendish happiness in murdering these innocent creatures.

Occasionally I meet a man (not often) who does not require the law to keep him from butchering for pleasure more game than he has any possible use for. We can all clearly see what a merciless devil of a brute a wolf is when he gets into the flock and kills a dozen or more sheep just for fun; but man, who knows better, can go out and do a thousand times worse for the same purpose, and it is all right. The fact of the business is that there are but few of us but what should be ashamed to look a wolf in the face.

The bighorn mountain sheep is by far the most magnificent animal that makes its home on the desert. They were once plentiful in every winding range of desert mountains from Tehachapi to the Colorado river. But today there are only a few left here and there on some almost inaccessible rocky mountain, and it is only a matter of time when they too will cease to exist.

When I first came out here to capture sheep for the Government, I thought the prospectors were responsible for their lack of numbers. But, after much investigation, I found that there is not one miner in fifty that has ever killed a sheep in his life. The most harm the miner does is in keeping the sheep away from the water.

The Indian is the curse and destroyer of our mountain sheep. Too lazy to work, without shame or decency, he hires out his squaw for immoral purposes, and hides around the springs with his rifle and murders the poor sheep when they come there to drink. If the Indian had to go out on the range to hunt and give the sheep some show for its life, he would starve to death. There are but few hunters that are expert enough to do much harm to mountain sheep on the open range, for every one of their senses is highly developed and ever on the alert for danger. Even when they are perfectly gentle, they are ever on the watch. They sleep but very little, and then it is only for three or four minutes at a time, when they will raise up their heads, take a look around, and then have another little nap.

The next animal in size is the coyote. This fellow is at home anywhere. He will eat almost anything, and can make a splendid meal on an old piece of dried cowhide that has been dead for years. And halter-straps, lines and stake ropes are delicacies that he seems never to get enough of. He is too well known to need any description and hasn't a friend in the animal kingdom outside of his own species, and they fight a good deal among themselves. They will club together and run jack-rabbits, but the one that catches the rabbit never divides with the others unless he has to. This is a business rule that holds good with a great many human beings, yet they would be indignant were they called coyotes.

In the early spring the coyotes pair off and dig themselves a den on some sunny side hill and there the female gives birth to two little ones. The father coyote hunts and helps take care of the little ones till they are old enough to take care of themselves. Doesn't it all sound lovely, almost romantic? I know it's all so, too, because I've read it many a time after it had been written up and published, and by eminent naturalists at that. Still, my own experience on the Mojave desert, with the coyotes all the time, tells me they do not do anything of the kind.

Coyotes do not pair, but the males fight for the possession of the bitches the same as tame dogs do. The female usually opens up an old badger hole for a den and there gives birth, not to two, but from two to four and five at a litter. If a male coyote is seen around the den he is most likely there trying to steal something that the old bitch has brought in for the pups. He is very clear of bringing in anything for them himself. He is more likely to take one of them up by the nape of the neck and shake the life out of it if it happens to have anything he wants and the old bitch isn't around. If she is, she very promptly puts her teeth into him and fires him out of there, for a dog coyote will not fight a bitch very much, but the bitches will fight among themselves.

There is not the slightest doubt but that the coyote costs the people of the United States directly and indirectly far more than all the other wild animals put together. The sheep alone that he destroys on the open range in a single year could be sold for a vast fortune, to say nothing of the calves, pigs and poultry that he gets away with.

Thousands, perhaps millions, of dollars are expended each year by stockmen for herders and coyote-proof fences that would not be necessary but for the depredations of this sneaking little wolf.

Sheep, if allowed to go free, will scatter out in little bands, eat up weeds and bushes that the other stock do not care for and are a benefit to any country. But they must ever be herded in a close band and consequently tramp the country to death, and through hunger eat up every living green thing that they can reach, destroy much grass, kill many little trees and are a curse instead of a blessing to the country over which they feed—all certainly and surely traceable to the coyote.

There is a claim that the coyote has one redeeming quality—he keeps down the jack-rabbits. But it was amply demonstrated here several years ago that he did not do so. To start with, there were coyotes here by the hundreds and but few rabbits. But early in the spring the rabbits began to come, and by the middle of the summer were here by thousands. The coyote did not keep them down, nor destroy them after they were here.

Where all these thousands of rabbits came from and where they went to I know and shall tell later on in this story, for I made a careful study of the habits and nature of them while they were here.

I trapped 67 coyotes that winter and increased the catch to 100 by spring. Nearly all of them were fat and in fine condition and had good hides. On examining their stomachs I found that they lived mostly on rats. Where did they get so many rats? Well, I'll tell you when I get to rats.

The next animal in line is the desert wildcat. They are not plentiful, but are found sparingly all over the desert. They usually inhabit rocky places and mesquit thickets, but many times I have seen their tracks far out on the sand amongst the sage brush. I believe they are entirely independent of water, for I have found their dens in lonely, rocky mountain ranges on the desert, where from all appearances they had lived continuously for many years, and these dens were a great many miles from any known water.

I believe these cats are more vicious and inclined to be on the fight than the same species of cats that I have met with in other parts of the State. I never knew of one attacking a human being (except reporters) unless the cat had been wrought up to a fighting pitch before the man came along. If one has been chawed by the dogs for a while, it is not really a good idea to interview him at too close a range, for if you do he may light onto you without inquiring which publication you write for; and if he does, you are sure to have two or three first-class paragraphs for your next story before you are ready for them. I have seen one of these cats stop at the foot of a cactus to fight a band of dogs when, had he chosen, he could have gone up the tree and been safe from the dogs at least.

These cats are much worse to kill sheep than the coyotes, but there are about fifty coyotes to one cat on the desert. The cats and coyotes often meet and have furious fights. It is a habit of the coyote to follow the cat till the feline catches a rabbit or a rat, and then take it away from him. I have never seen them fighting, but from the looks of the tracks several coyotes tackled the cat at once, and while he was fighting part of them, the others got away with his rabbit. Such unneighborly intercourse as this is certainly enough to give the cat a furious disposition.

The largest wildcat I ever caught out here weighed 25 pounds. The largest coyote weighed 35 pounds.

The next animal on the desert of any importance is the gray fox. They are very scarce, still there are just a few scattered over the desert almost everywhere. I do not think there are any red foxes out here; at any rate, I never saw one. But the little dwarf desert foxes or swifts are everywhere. They live in dens that they dig themselves, and also seem to be entirely independent of water. I have heard of dens that contained fifty or sixty foxes in one colony, but I have never seen more than eight or ten in one place. The coyotes will kill every fox they can get hold of. They do not eat the foxes they kill, neither does the fox ever molest the coyote or do him any harm. He kills the fox for the same pitiless motive that most men go hunting—the thrill of pleasure derived from the act of mangling to death some harmless and helpless living creature.

The badger comes next. Like the coyote, wildcat and fox, he is everywhere. He is also independent of water, I believe, still he will drink if he can get it. They are rather scarce and not often seen, but their holes are evidences that there are a few badgers here and there all over the desert. I think they are the same species of badger that lives in other parts of the State and live in the same manner—by digging out most of their game, which on the desert is principally rats and chipmunks. They also dig out and eat a great many lizards.

(Concluded next week.)

COYOTES SHOT FROM AIR CRAFT.

Inaugurating a new epoch in the hunting world and showing the ever-increasing practicability of aviation, Fred Mills, a crack trap shot and one of the best amateur marksmen in California, one day recently shot and killed from an aeroplane driven by Glenn Martin at a speed of between sixty and seventy miles an hour and at an altitude of three or four hundred feet, two coyotes which had been loping along in pursuit of quail, little suspecting that they themselves would soon be quarries.

This stalking of game by aeroplane, which Martin declared marked the beginning of the revolutionizing of hunting, was accomplished in the San Fernando valley, which was chosen by the ingenious aviator and the clever marksman as a likely area to demonstrate the possibilities in a combination of hunting and flying.

It was at 3:45 in the afternoon that Martin and Mills, in one of Martin's standard aeroplanes, left the aviator's Griffith Park hangar, near Los Angeles, and mounted skyward, circled once over the aviation field in a farewell to a few friends who were interested in the exploit, and then sailed away to the north, while the reports of Mills' Remington outo-loading rifle, fired in joyous anticipation of "bringing home the bacon," mingled with the whirr of the machine's motor.

It was at 5:20, or an hour and thirty-five minutes later, that the aeroplane returned to the hangar, bringing a happy airman and an equally happy hunter, as well as three coyotes and two wildcats which Mills had shot about seven miles north of Roscoe, or about twenty-five miles north of their starting point.

Two of the coyotes were shot by Mills from the machine as it sped through the air at a speed exceeding sixty miles an hour. The other animals were killed by him on the ground after Martin had made a landing in order to take into the aeroplane the two Mills potted while both he and they were in motion.

As Martin described the flight, they hugged the right side of the valley for about twenty miles when they started and then began circling in great curves three or four miles long, in search of game.

When they found it, Martin made his machine dive from a height of 1,500 or 2,000 feet to within three or four hundred feet of the earth, meantime shutting off the motor, so that the coyotes were apparently unaware of their presence.

Then it was an easy matter for Mills.

He shot the two from the aeroplane only a few seconds apart. Seeing one, he shot it—just like that. Then, seeing the other, he shot that one, also—and in less time than it takes to read it.

Then, while farmers wondered at the new way of hunting, Martin made a landing and the two dead animals were put into the machine. While on the ground, Mills bagged one more coyote and two wildcats.

Martin said that on the trip they covered 150 miles and in one-half hour covered more territory—and from a high point of vantage—than the average hunter could get over in a week.

Martin asserted that all sportsmen who can afford it will in time do their hunting in aeroplanes, as, through such machines, they can better see their quarry, cover more territory in any given time and at the same time do it with less inconvenience than in any other way.

"In a minute," he said, "an aeroplane can cross an arroyo which a hunter on foot would require five hours to negotiate. I believe that the aeroplane is especially adapted to hunting geese and next season Mills and I shall try it out."

Both Mills and Martin believe that coyotes and wildcats destroy more quail than are killed by hunters and say that the sights they had of wild life on their trip prove it. They hope that the legislature will soon provide for a bounty upon those two species of animal.

Martin left Los Angeles, later, for Washington to confer with navy and army officials regarding aeroplanes and aeroplane construction, but upon his return he expects to show something in aviation even more interesting than the feat of last week.

SALT WATER BAITS AND LURES.

The call of the sea has been very strong in my veins for some weeks now; to go fishin', to lie at length on the hot sand while the lance-wood, butt set in beach and a hundred feet of line atrail through the surf, throbbed to the rhythm and the roll of the rim of the sea and now and again bent to some stronger pull.

When I can't fish I think of fishing, of the fish I have caught and how. Not the least of these is the how; and of the hows, the question of bait is uppermost with all of us who catch the fish we go after and do not take a chance of catching any old thing from sculpin to yellowtail.

Of course, I am talking about sea fishing. The trout fisher's game I don't know much about, though I admit it is all he calims for it, and into his discussion of flies and spoons I cannot enter with vim enough to give him a good argument. But I have learned something, not much but a little, about the luring of sea fish to the hook, and when I have time and the inclination to think I sometimes think of them.

Taken all in all, given their habitat and their endowment with what we know as brains, fishes are about as wise as the four-feet when it comes to outplaying man in the game in which their lives are the stake. This being the case, it is not alone necessary that the angler who would be successful should know what baits to use, but how to use them.

There is a right way and a wrong way to put the smelt on your hook when you go after yellowtail; there is a right way and a wrong way to fasten the flying fish or squid to your barbed trap when you want to get a tuna or a black sea bass, and for every kind of fish that swims the sea there is a different bait; nine times out of ten it is the only bait he will touch, being the food for which he travels many miles beneath the sea in order that his appetite may be satisfied.

For instance: I went fishing for mackerel one day, out in a boat about half a mile from shore. I had clam, live sardines, fresh mackerel for bait. Supposedly a strip from the side of a freshly killed mackerel is the best bait in the world for other mackerel. I found the sea full of the blue-sided fish, all lazily swimming about, doing nothing, going nowhere.

I tried every bait I had, and did not get a strike. Then the boatman produced a strip of red flannel from a locker in one end of the launch, tore off a long, narrow pennon, and said: "Try this." I did, and the only reason I did not catch all the mackerel in the Pacific was that I had no use for them and could not have pulled them in.

The strike of the mackerel on this occasion was almost like a trout; when one of the fish passed up the red rag drawn slowly through the water past his nose, another seized it with a rush that made the reel sing. Some of these weighed up to five pounds, and they put up a right lively fight out there in the sunshine and the sea.

In like manner I have taken mackerel on a large red fly, when they would not bite at anything else, and fly-fishing in the sea is a novel experience. There the fly-caster, fishing from a small open boat, launch or rowboat, has all the world, practically, in which to make his casts, and there is no overhanging brush to entangle the fly when it goes back over his shoulder.

This kind of fishing, however, whether it be with rag or with fly, requires not a little work. The game is to cast out and reel in, cast out and reel in, until you get a strike. You may do this a dozen times without a single note from the reel, and then on the thirteenth time you may have a fight of half an hour, if your tackle is light enough, with some fat old cornfed who strenuously objects to being hauled in head first.

I, too, like the bone jig as a lure. There is nothing to the attaching this to your line; you merely fasten it on, trail it over the stern of your launch at the speed you think best, and if a hungry barracuda or yellowtail or bonita comes along you get him, provided you know how to play the fish after he is hooked. When the water is clear and the launch is not running too fast, the strike of the barracuda at a moving bone jig is one of the prettiest sights in all the fishing world. It compares with the drop of the osprey into the school of mackerel; with his rise, laden with a fish and his bronze wings shimmering in the morning sun.

Like a ray of black lightning—if such anachronism were possible—the barracuda comes out of the sea, never pauses an instant in his rush, snaps up the jig and turns away with it. And just about then is the time for the fisherman to get busy, and if he has a light rod he is apt to have his hands full, for all the contempt sportsmen fishermen have for this long gar of the sea.

But when it comes to using live bait, smelt or anchovies or the so-called sardines, there is a real art in attaching them to the hook. The small fish bait should be entered through the mouth with the hook, which should be worked down through him until the tip of the barb can be brought out of his belly. Then close the mouth of your bait over the shank of the hook and wrap with a turn or two of silk thread. Some anglers use wire, I prefer silk. Your fish then looks and moves more like life than any bait possibly can which is hooked through the back or the side of the head indiscriminately.

The squid is a difficult proposition to put on any hook, big or little, and the average sea fisherman can take a lesson worth while from the market anglers, for instance, who frequent Catalina or San Pedro or any other of the beaches whence men go down to the sea in fishing boats. Nine times out of ten anyhow your squid comes off the hook, and trolling with a squid is not half the easy trick it looks when you see some experienced hand take a line and go flying down the channel with a squid atrail.

There isn't much to the hooking of a hunk of white fish or a whole mackerel on your line to bait a black sea bass up out of the depths, but if you put that same mackerel on alive and go after a shark with him, you will probably have your hands full.

Even for the little fish, comparatively speaking, there is a great deal in the way you put the hook into your bait, whether it be sand crab, or gob of clam, or a bit of long-deceased lobster. I am convinced that a yellowfin, running in surf, will bite more often at a sand crab which completely conceals the hook, presenting at the same time an appearance of life, than it will at the same sand crab with the hook stuck roughly through, and presenting all the appearances of a "dead one."

The great trick with lobster, which is the best bait for pompano and some other small fish, is to keep it on your hook at all, but there are days when the pompano are running when they will bite at nothing but lobster, so there you are.

The flying fish as a bait for tuna—and these gossamer "winged" fish are the best of all bait for the giant leapers—is often dead when used, but as often alive. Dead or alive, it should be attached to the hook by the same process as described for the smelt and the small mackerel.

Then, when drawn through the water, or allowed to go down into the depths, the flying fish presents the appearance of life more closely than any other fish bait. And when the tuna strikes, the angler is quite sure that he has something very much alive ahold of that flying fish.

A list of the baits on the South Coast would be practically endless; I have seen grave fishermen using angleworms, and they told me that they caught fish with them, too; I have seen equally grave men putting aniseseed oil on their bait, and I remember one old fellow who would never cast off the wharf without first spitting on his lure, so strong is the hold superstition has on some men.

But the principal list of baits, and the fishes for which they are used, is about as follows: Clam—all sorts of inshore fish, and some of the rock fish of deeper waters; flying fish—tuna; whitefish, mackerel, liver and raw meat—black sea bass; smelt, anchovies, sardines, young mackerel (all alive)—small tuna, white sea bass, yellowtail, albicore, barracuda, halibut and deep sea fish of other and rarer kinds; sand crabs—surf fish and yellowfin, with occasional surf perch, which latter are practically worthless; lobster, shark, stingray—pompano and jack smelt.

A NECESSARY LAW.

Murders, suicides and crimes will be materially reduced in California, it is expected, under the terms of the Finn anti-firearms bill, which passed the Senate recently by a vote of 30 to 6, and which it is to be hoped will in due course be signed by Governor Johnson and become a law.

Under its terms, any one who sells, leases or otherwise transfers a revolver or other firearms which may be concealed, is compelled to keep a register of all sales, including the name, occupation and address of the purchaser. Every purchaser must show a permit from a legal authority before the sale.

The bill forbids the manufacture or the carrying of any blackjack, slungshot, billy, sandbag and metal knuckles, and declares that no one may carry a knife with a blade more than 3½ inches in length.

Anyone convicted more than twice of carrying concealed weapons without a permit or legal right is made guilty of a felony, and is liable to a penitentiary sentence.

The principal objection to the passage of this law has been the epistolary and circular campaign of several Eastern manufacturers of cheap pistols. One result will be, that the pawnshops, second hand clothes stores and hand-me-down joints will have to discard the show window arsenal display of firearms, bowie knives, blackjacks and brass knuckles and other inducements which cater to a criminal or irresponsible patronage.

DUCKS DESTROYED.

An old story is told by Pete Walsh, of Black Point. Across Petaluma creek, a few hundred yards below the railroad bridge, are three heavy electric wires, supported by high towers on each bank of the creek. The suspended wires have been a death trap for hundreds of ducks. Birds flying up and down the creek hit the wires and are cut up and mangled to death—decapitated, wings sliced off, breasts split open, heads smashed and other fatal signs of wire impact have been seen upon many luckless ducks that were picked up.

GOOD WORK.

Emulating the example of many Eastern States, which have enacted similar laws, the Senate Tuesday afternoon passed Senator A. E. Campbell's bill making it unlawful to kill spike bucks.

There was no opposition to the measure—nor should there be. Such a law is sane, wise and humane and better for the sportsmen.

Fish Lines

The Opening Day.—In trout fishing circles great activity is apparent—getting tackle and rods ready for the opening day for steelhead fishing on Thursday, April 1. Recent reports from many coast streams state that there is plenty of water and many trout in the creeks. From now on until the first day of the season the rodsters will be on the anxious seat. A heavy rain and freshet any time before the first of April means that the trout will go down stream and out to sea and that the creeks will be too roily for any decent sport.

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Changes In the Law.—The local brotherhood of steelhead anglers as well as anglers from other sections whose sport, it is claimed, has for years been curtailed, by reason of a closed season when the big trout were running in Russian river, the Paper Mill creek and other favorite fishing resorts, are following with close attention the tip that they are likely to enjoy a much desired change in the fishing law that applies to the steelhead waters.

The proposed change will bring about a closed season for steelhead trout from November 1 to December15, on which date an open season up to February 15 is advocated. The streams to be open during this period both in and above tidewater boundaries, if the bill passes. Five trout, irrespective of size or weight, to be the daily individual basket, caught with hook and line only. This proposed amendment has the indorsement of a majority of anglers.

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Stream Pollution.—Efforts will be made, in the near future, to remedy the alleged pollution of the Mokelumne river at and below Campo Seco. The claim is made that below this point there is not, nor has there been for many years past, any fish, or other life in the stream. Every living creature in the river has been destroyed by poisonous refuse from a mining plant allowed to run into the river, is the claim made by interested sportsmen of that district.

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Fish Screens.—During the past few years, $250,000 has been spent by corporations, irrigation companies and private individuals in placing fish ladders and screens in streams and irrigation ditches, in compliance with the State law to that purport.

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Good Salmon Prospects.—The salmon crop in the waters of this State should be a prolific one, from year to year, when it is taken into consideration that 30,000,000 salmon eggs are being hatched at the Sisson hatchery. The same output, more, if possible, will be handled annually, thus insuring a return to the Sacramento river, in due course of a big yearly run of quinnat salmon. One half of the young salmon will be placed in the river at Sisson, the balance will be released at Benicia.

At the Battle Creek hatchery at present 5,000,000 young salmon are being fed, which requires about 200 pounds a week to keep the young fish going.

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Striped Bass Angling.—Several fine bass, among the catch two 20 pounders, were taken in San Antone creek a fortnight ago. Last Sunday the best results were credited to Jack Clawson and Hugh Draper. The former landed three beauties, 30, 20 and 20 pounds respectively. Bob Sangster came in with a 15 pounder.

The Napa drawbridge rodsters have not landed many large fish for the past two weeks. A number of recent visitors to that resort have, however, caught a plenty of catfish, some running over four pounds in weight. These "cats" were caught in clean waters and are most excellent table fish.

Greenbrae anglers have had fair luck recently. Now that the weather is getting more favorable good sport with the striped fish is expected.

FLY-CASTING TOURNAMENT.

The San Francisco Fly Casting Club's annual midwinter tournament at Stow lake March 7 drew an entry of a score of expert rodsters. The medal winners were:

Delicacy event—Walter D. Mansfield, 99.23 per cent, and Stanley Forbes, 99.11 per cent.

Heavy tackle accuracy—C. G. Young, 90.20 per cent, and F. M. Haight, 90.4 per cent.

Light tackle accuracy—W. J. Davis, 99.28 per cent, and Stanley Forbes, 99.24 per cent.

Dry fly accuracy—T. C. Kierulff, 99.6 per cent, and Stanley Forbes, 90.4 per cent.

Light tackle distance casting—J. F. Burgin, 90 feet, and Stanley Forbes, 85 feet.

Half-ounce lure casting—C. H. Gardner, 98.6 per cent, and T. C. Kierulff, 98.4 per cent.

Half-ounce lure, long-distance casting—Stanley Forbes, 165 feet.

Half-ounce lure, longest cast—Frank J. Cooper, 210 feet.

Salmon fly, distance casting—Paul W. Shattuck, 108 feet.

In and out accuracy, a new event, the contestants cast at buoys 45, 50 and 55 feet distant, casting at the first buoy until a miss sends the contestant to the second and then the third buoy. J. F. Burgin scored a total of 90 points and Stanley Forbes 85.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

At the Traps

The G. A. H.—Chicago is selected as the place for the shooting of the Grand American Handicap in the third week of August, 1915. William E. Phillips, of the South Shore Country Club, of that city, in presenting the claims of Chicago announced that the United States War Department, the City Park and Police Department, had all issued permits for "shooting over the waters of the lake." The tournament will be held in Grant Park, one hundred yards from the heart of Chicago's busiest section, with a 700-foot front on the shore line and a depth of 200 feet. Ten sets of traps will be placed on the strip. The affair will be staged by the Chicago, Riverside, and Evanston Gun Clubs, the Chicago Athletic Association, the Sportsman's Club of America, the Hamilton Club, the Illinois Athletic Club, and the South Shore and other country clubs working in unison as an allied organization to make the event the best ever.

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Interstate Association Trophies, 1915.—The halftone on this page is Plate No. 2 illustrating the $8 classification of trophies which can be selected by gun clubs giving registered shoots this year, as follows:

C 26 Silver-Plated Smoker's Tray—Mahogany lined, 9¼ x 10 inches.

C 27 Sterling Silver Ash Receiver and Match Stand, 5⅜ inches diameter.

C 28 Sterling Silver Flower Vase, 10 inches high.

C 29 Sterling Silver and Cut-Glass Jelly Dish and Spoon, 6 inches diameter.

C 30 Sterling Silver Bon-Bon Dish, 7¼ inches diameter.

C 31 Sterling Silver Mounted Pinch Bottle—Decanter, 10 inches high.

C 32 Silver-Plated Chocolate Pot, 10¼ inches diameter.

C 33 Twelve Sterling Silver Coffee Spoons—in case.

C 34 Sterling Silver Mounted Cane.

C 35 Sterling Silver Mounted Umbrella.

C 36 Sterling Silver Mounted Flask with Cup—Leather-Covered, 6⅝ inches high.

C 37 Silver-Plated Tray—Grape Mounts, 14½ inches in diameter.

C 38 Sterling Silver Top Cigar Jar, 6¾ inches high.

C 39 Silver-Plated Flower Vase, 15¼ inches high.

C 40 Sterling Silver and Cut-Glass Decanter, 11¾ inches high.

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"Distance Lends Enchantment"—We would like very much to join the jovial crew of gun bugs, shake hands again with Fred Gilbert, the gallant old Spartan of the traps and renew pleasant greetings with Doremus, Skelley, Simonton, Turner and the other good fellows we have met, but—and that but is a disjunctive conjunction and there you are, with sincere best wishes:

"Breeder and Sportsman,
San Francisco, Cal.
Gentlemen:

Wednesday, March 17 has been selected as the Fred Gilbert 20th Anniversary Day by the Du Pont Powder Company and it is our intention to properly celebrate the occasion with a trapshooting tournament in the afternoon on the Du Pont Club grounds and with a dinner at eight o'clock in the evening at the Hotel Du Pont.

We very cordially invite you to take part in the shoot and to be our guest for the evening.

Mr. Gilbert will be the honored guest and we hope to make the entire day pleasant for all.

In order to complete arrangements for the dinner will appreciate hearing from you as to whether you can attend.

The dinner will follow the shoot quite closely and it is our intention to make it informal.

Hoping to have your acceptance, I am,

Yours very truly,
T. E. DOREMUS,
Manager Sporting Powder Division.

Wilmington, Del., February 27, 1915."

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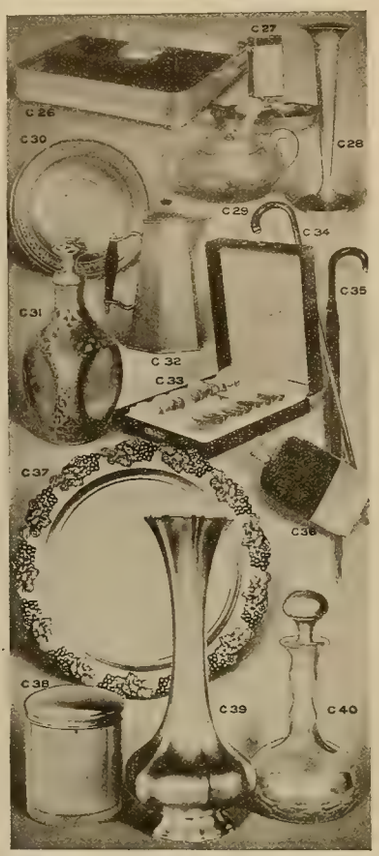
Fred Gilbert Shoot.—The Exposition City Gun Club's trap shoot at the Easton grounds drew a good attendance of scatter gun enthusiasts, despite rather raw weather. The feature match of the day, a 100-bird shoot for a Fred Gilbert silver cup trophy, was finally won by W. A. Landry after shooting off two ties with C. A. Bridgford and P. Swenson.

Each contestant shot at 100 clay pigeons at 16 yards' rise. The shooters were given added birds, this allowance being based on previous performances, for the first fifty birds. The handicaps for the concluding half of the targets shot at were figured on results for the first fifty birds shot at in the match.

The scores of the three high men were: Bridgford 19, 20, 22 and 23, a total of 84 birds out of 100, to which was added three birds in each 25-bird event—96 altogether. Landry broke 19, 20, 19 and 22; 80 plus four extra birds in each section—96. Swenson scored 14, 22, 18 and 20—74—to which was added his handicap of 22 birds—96. In shooting off the tie Landry smashed 20 clays, plus four, and scored 24 out of 25. Swenson's turn scored 19, plus five—24. Bridgford connected with 15 birds only. His handicap of three was not enough to leave him in the race. On the final tie shoot Landry came out with 22 to Swenson's 15, and annexed the trophy.

Harry Dutton's scores of 18, 22, 19 and 19 (with four birds added to each frame)—94 out of 100—was next best among the handicap results. E. Hoelle, scratch, smothered 92 out of his hundred. Dick Reed, scratch, turned out the best individual trick for the day, 95 x 100, including two 25's—part of a run of over 70 straight. The scores and added bird handicaps, in brackets, follow:

W. A. Landry	19(4)	20(4)	19(4)	22(4)	96
C. A. Bridgford	19(3)	20(3)	22(3)	23(3)	96
P. Swenson	14(6)	22(6)	18(5)	20(5)	96
R. C. Reed*	22(0)	25(0)	25(0)	23(0)	95
H. Dutton	18(4)	22(4)	19(4)	19(4)	94
E. Hoelle	23(0)	23(0)	22(0)	24(0)	92
B. Forestier	13(8)	18(8)	12(7)	18(7)	91
H. Brickell	22(3)	21(3)	19(3)	17(2)	89
English	14(9)	8(9)	11(12)	14(12)	89
Doak	17(4)	21(4)	17(4)	16(4)	87
E. L. Hoag	19(3)	17(3)	15(5)	25(5)	87
J. W. Dorsey	17(3)	18(3)	17(6)	17(6)	87
J. H. Jones	14(4)	12(4)	21(8)	16(8)	87
C. Doe, Jr.	9(11)	8(11)	10(16)	6(16)	87
Dr. C. D. McGettigan	20(3)	18(3)	16(4)	14(4)	82
P. Putzar	17(0)	23(0)	19(0)	18(0)	77
L. Straessler	18(0)	16(0)	13(0)	16(0)	63
Jones	9(0)	14(0)	12(0)	14(0)	49
Capt. Du Bray	9(0)	21(0)	.....	.....	30



San Jose Traps.—A. G. Flickinger, of Vallejo, kept up his "come back" shooting stride last Sunday at the shoot of the San Jose Gun Club when he won the Fred Gilbert cup after shooting off three ties with C. H. Nash of San Jose. Both men had added bird handicaps of 7, and tied with 93 out of 100. The shoot off scores were:

Flickinger	23	23	23	23	92
Nash	23	23	23	22	91

Both men stood at 16 yards, Nash lost by one bird in the fourth time up. Pretty good shooting for both men.

The total scores shot in a card of 200 targets during the day follow:

L. H. Bradley, Hartford, Conn	193	200
Toney Prior, San Francisco	186	200
F. Downs, San Jose	185	200
O. N. Ford, San Jose	183	200
H. C. Barstow, Watsonville	183	200
A. G. Flickinger, Vallejo	182	200
A. F. Lewis, San Jose	182	200
Ada Schilling, San Jose	177	200
Dr. Barker, San Jose	172	200
T. D. Riley, San Francisco	170	200
H. Stelling, San Francisco	168	200
G. H. Anderson, San Jose	165	200
Fred Burnham, Martinez	162	200
H. H. Clark, San Jose	115	150
C. Arquez, San Jose	110	150
C. F. Brewington, Watsonville	80	100
H. S. Anderson, San Jose	30	50
Sullivan, San Jose	25	50
Carl Schilling,* San Jose	174	200
C. A. Haight,* San Francisco	135	200
W. A. Robertson,* Oakland	135	175

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Blue Rocks at Sea.—On Board the U. S. S. Solace (hospital ship) at sea, latitude 22 deg. 30 min., longitude 74 deg. 22 min.—With the Solace rolling several degrees more than is required under the regulations for battle practice in the Atlantic fleet, and pitching a little to add still greater variety, the U. S. S. Solace Gun Club had its first clay pigeon shoot under real "battle" conditions. And those who know the Solace know that she can both pitch and roll with the slightest provocation.

An expert trap was rigged to the port rail on the main deck of the vessel, and the members shot at the targets from the deck above, where they could not see the trap, which prevented their seeing in which angle the clay bird would be thrown. The regulation sixteen yard rise could not be obtained, but this was compensated for to a great extent by the motion of the vessel. Several of the members had not shot at clay pigeons before, and were thus handicapped, but considering everything the scores that follow are regarded as good:

Name	Shot at.	Broke.	P.C.
Dr. Garton	25	19	.760
Dr. Strine	37	19	.514
Paymaster Williams	24	22	.916
Dr. Higgins	30	13	.433
Pharmacist Abernathy	1	1	1.000

The officers of this ship of the navy do not get a chance to "smell gunpowder" during the fleet drills, as this vessel operates under the Red Cross. So they indulge the bent for firearms that is inherent in every American boy with red blood in his veins in the interesting and enlivening sport of trapshooting.

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A Trapshooting Conundrum.—Here's a puzzler that is going around among trapshooters and threatens to become as famous as "How Old is Ann?"

On one of the eastern railroads there is a freight crew, all of whom are trapshooters. As they have limited time to attend trapshooting clubs, they practice their favorite sport enroute.

Their method is to send one of the boys forward about five car lengths ahead of the caboose with a hand trap and some clay targets, and while the train is moving at about thirty miles an hour, the trapper throws the targets off to one side at right angles from the train. The shooters are located in the observatory of the caboose and test their skill at hitting the flying clays.

This gives rise to the conundrum: Suppose the target were thrown from the rear platform of a train going thirty miles an hour; the greatest distance at which a target can be thrown with a hand trap is about eighty yards, and it travels this distance in about two seconds.

Assuming that the average target must be hit within sixty yards of the shooter, and that he is standing alongside the hand trap operator, how much time does he have in which to hit the target?

After our trapshooting friends have solved the above problem, they might turn their attention to this one:

How much time would he have to hit the target if it were thrown forward from the engine pilot and he were standing alongside the trapper?

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Powder Puffs Tomorrow—The Golden Gate Gun Club's regular monthly trap shooting season will start tomorrow at the West Alameda grounds. The feature event will be a Fred Gilbert shoot. Everybody welcome.

The Vallejo Gun Club is also scheduled for a Fred Gilbert shoot tomorrow.

Trade Tips

A Gun of Merit.—In the 15 years that Mr. Gilbert has been shooting the Parker gun, for six years consecutively he won high professional average. This is a feat never accomplished by any other shooter.

Fred Gilbert in writing from Spirit Lake, to Parker Bros. states:

"In reply to your inquiry will say, I commenced shooting your gun in 1899 and have had four of them. One I sold to a friend, and he is shooting it now and it is as good as new. The other guns are in good condition and will last as long as I hope to have use for them.

I have shot from twenty to twenty-five thousand shells a year and have no doubt shot from 300,000 to 400,000 shells in these four Parker guns, with no balks, no misfires and no accidents. I always have a gun to shoot that is ready and willing to do its part, as the records show, and nobody can deny that the gun is well named 'The Old Reliable.'"

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Rem.-U. M. C. Notes.—With a heavy snow blowing into the faces of the shooters all the afternoon, the scores made at the traps of the Dupont Trapshooting Club March 8 were particularly good. G. S. McCarty, of Woodbury, N. J., took the high amateur honors with his excellent 46x50, shooting Nitro Club shells. H. Carlin, shooting the same brand of shells, was second with 44x50. Fifty-six enthusiasts faced the traps.

An interesting shoot was held at the traps of the Pastime Gun Club (San Diego, Cal.) March 6. J. F. Dodds and J. G. Merrill, of San Diego, and Tom Parry, of Chicago, all shooting Arrow Shells, carried off the honors with scores of 96, 94 and 92 respectively.

George Ruthop, of Salt Lake City, took the amateur honors at the Salt Lake Gun Club shoot February 28 when he killed 45 of 50 birds with a Remington pump gun and Nitro Club shells. Gus Becker and E. J. Miller, both shooting Arrow Speed shells, tied for second with 44x50. There was a team race after the regular shoot, each side being made up of nine men. The Nitro Clubs won the score of 103 to 98.

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HELEN BELLE (2) 2:22½, breeder's record, bay filly, foaled 1912, good gaited, good headed, sound and extremely fast; was taken up absolutely green on Sept. 3 and has developed in a most satisfactory manner, taking her mark in December, since which time she has been an eighth in :16, half in 1:09. Sired by California's greatest sire of colt trotters, CARLOKIN 2:07½. First dam Carolyn C. by Axtell (3) 2:12 (a champion); second dam by Expedition, sire of Bon Voyage 2:08; third dam by Princeps (son of Woodford Mamb.); fourth dam by Hambletonian 10.

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CARLETA,

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trotter, trial 2:13¾, half in 1:05, eighths in :15; good headed, sound and can be depended upon. Is a beautifully gaited big horse and should prove useful to race over the twice arounds or for a matinee and road horse. He is fearless and is one of the most pleasant driving horses I have ever ridden behind. Stands slightly over 16 hands, weighs about 1200, is eight years old. Sired by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam Pineapple by Albion (son of General Benton). A present at $350.00.

CARLSCHEN (2) 2:23, breeder's record, brown gelding by CARLOKIN, dam BONNIE AILSIE 2:08½ (dam of Contention B. (3) 2:08¼) by Faustino, son of Sidney.

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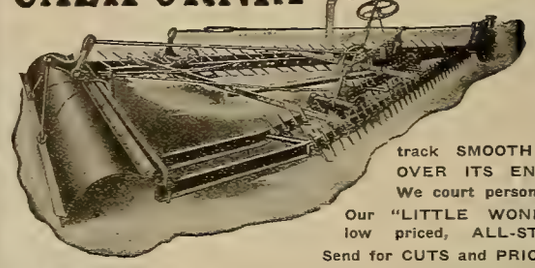
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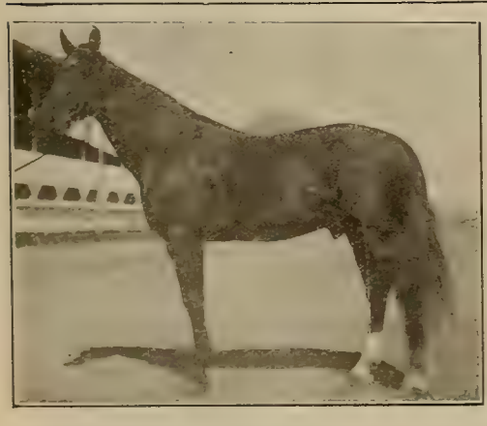


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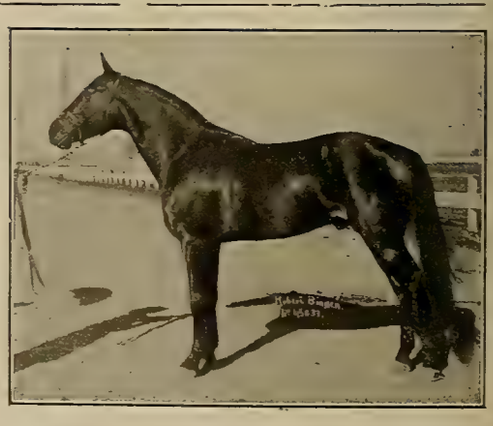
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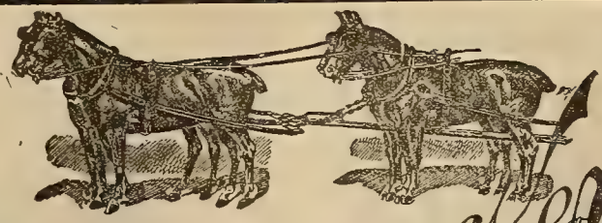
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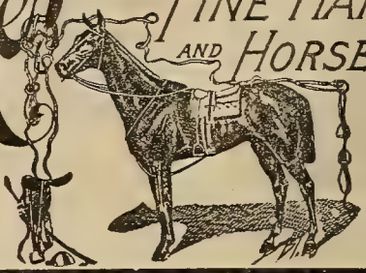


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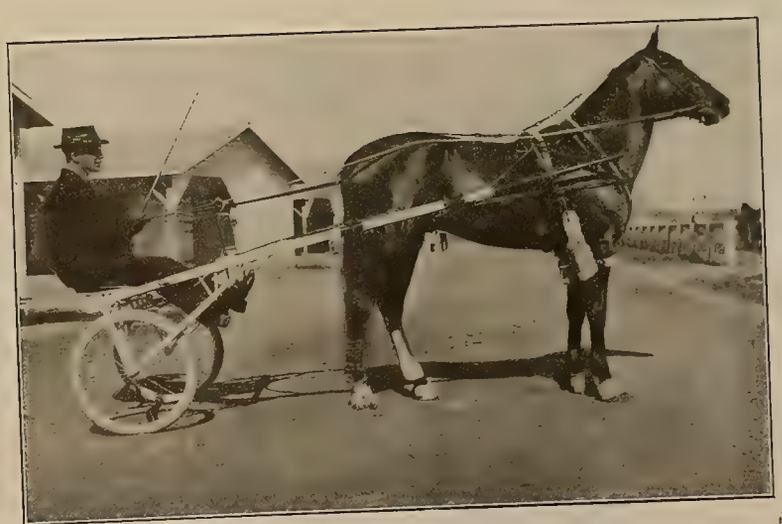
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Given under the Auspices of the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders Association

ENTRIES CLOSE APRIL 1st, 1915

PROGRAMME:

SUMMER MEETING JUNE 5th TO 19th INCLUSIVE.

SATURDAY, JUNE 5

1. 2:30 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
2. 2:08 Class Pacing 5000
3. 2:08 Class Trotting 5000

TUESDAY, JUNE 8

4. 2-Year Olds Trotting (closed) $ 2000
5. 2:25 Class Pacing 2000
6. 2:13 Class Trotting 2000

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9

7. 2:16 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
8. Amateur Free For All Trotting 1000
9. 2:11 Class Pacing 2000

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

10. 3-Year Olds Pacing (closed)...$ 3000
11. Driving Club Trotting, 2:20 class 1000
12. 2:25 Class Trotting 2000

FRIDAY, JUNE 11

13. 2:18 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
14. Driving Club Pacing, 2:15 Class 1000
15. 2:17 Class Pacing 2000

SATURDAY, JUNE 12

16. Driving Club Trotting, 2:30 Class .....$ 1000
17. 2:10 Class Trotting (will close June 1, 1915) 20,000
18. Free For All Class Pacing..... 5000

TUESDAY, JUNE 15

19. Amateur Trotting, 2:14 Class..$ 1000
20. Amateur Pacing, 2:20 Class.... 1000
21. 2:20 Class Pacing..... 2000

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16

22. Two Year Olds Pacing (closed) $ 2000
23. 2:12 Class Trotting 2000
24. 2:13 Class Pacing 2000

THURSDAY, JUNE 17

25. Amateur Free For All Pacing $ 1000
26. 2:20 Class Trotting..... 2000
27. 2:17 Class Trotting 2000

FRIDAY, JUNE 18

28. 3-Year Olds Trotting (closed) $ 5000
29. 2:14 Class Trotting 2000
30. 2:19 Class Pacing 2000

SATURDAY, JUNE 19

31. 2:15 Class Pacing ....$ 2000
32. Free For All Class Trotting.... 5000
33. 2:06 Class Pacing (will close June 1, 1915)..... 20,000

Entries for all above races for the SUMMER MEETING close on April 1st, 1915, except Nos. 4, 10, 17, 22, 28 and 33.

FALL MEETING OCTOBER 30th TO NOVEMBER 13th INCLUSIVE.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

1. 2:20 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
2. 2:10 Class Trotting (will close June 1, 1915)..... 20,000
3. Occident Stake, 3 Y. O. Trotting (closed) 2500

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1

4. 2:15 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
5. Free For All Driving Club Trotting 2000
6. 2:09 Class Pacing..... 2500

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2

7. 2:12 Class Trotting .....$ 2500
8. Two Year Olds Trotting, Breeders Futurity (Closed)..... 1450
9. 2:12 Class Pacing 2000

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3

10. 2:30 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
11. 2:15 Class Pacing 2000
12. Free For All Driving Club Pacing 2000

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4

13. 2:17 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
14. 3 Year Olds Trotting, State Fair Futurity (closed) 2000
15. 2:10 Class Pacing 2500

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5

16. 2:13 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
17. 2:25 Class Pacing 2000
18. Two Year Olds Pacing, State Fair Futurity (closed)..... 400

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6

19. 2:08 Class Trotting .....$ 5000
20. 2:08 Class Pacing 3000
21. Three Year Olds Pacing, Breeders Futurity (closed)..... 1800

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8

22. 2:16 Class Trotting.....$ 2000
23. 2:24 Class Trotting..... 2000
24. Stanford Stake, 3 Y. O. Trotting (closed) 1200

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9

25. 2:09 Class Trotting .....$ 2500
26. Two Year Olds Trotting, State Fair Futurity (closed)..... 600
27. 2:11 Class Pacing..... 2000

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10

28. 2:19 Class Trotting 2000
29. Free For All Class Pacing..... 5000
30. 2:20 Class Pacing 2000

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11

31. 2:14 Class Trotting .....$ 2000
32. 2:17 Class Pacing 2000
33. Two Year Olds Pacing, Breeders Futurity (closed) 1200

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12

34. 2:11 Class Trotting .....$ 2500
35. 2:13 Class Pacing 2000
36. Three Year Olds Pacing, State Fair Futurity (closed)..... 1500

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13

37. Free For All Class Trotting....$ 5000
38. Three Year Olds Trotting, Breeders Futurity (closed).. 2800
39. 2:06 Class Pacing (will close June 1, 1915)..... 20,000

Entries for all above races for the FALL MEETING close on April 1st, 1915, except Nos. 2, 3, 8, 14, 18, 21, 24, 26, 33, 36, 38 and 39.

CONDITIONS FOR ALL RACES CLOSING APRIL 1st, 1915.

All races three heats, money divided 25 per cent to the first heat, 25 per cent to the second heat, 25 per cent to the third heat, and 25 per cent to the race according to rank in the summary. Money in each division 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. Should two or more horses be tied for first place at the completion of the third heat, such horses only shall contest in a fourth heat and money divided according to rank in the summary at the termination of that heat. A horse having won the first two heats and drawn or distanced in the third heat shall not lose position in the summary.

Nominators have the right of entering two or more horses in any race by the payment of two per cent. additional on each horse, but only one of the horses so entered to be started in the race, and the starter is to be named by 5 o'clock p. m. the day before the race is to take place.

Entries to close Monday, April 1st, 1915.

Nominators who make entries and ship horses from east of the Rocky Mountains will be given $50 towards the return to points east of the Rocky Mountains on such horses as start in any of the races and fail to win any money.

Entrance fee, three per cent, due at time entries close, two per cent. additional if not declared out on or before June 1, 1915, for the Summer Meeting and on or before August 1, 1915, for the Fall Meeting. Declarations must be paid in full at time of declaring out or declaration will not be accepted. Usual five per cent. additional from winners in all races except Futurity Stakes, Occident and Stanford Stakes.

Professional drivers will not be permitted to drive in Amateur and Driving Club Races. Hopples barred in Amateur and Driving Club Races.

The Management reserves the right to declare two starters a walkover. When only two start they may contest for the entrance money paid in, divided 66 2-3 per cent. to the first and 33 1-3 per cent. to the second horse. A horse distancing the field shall be entitled to first and fourth money only and in no other case will a horse be entitled to more than one money.

The Management reserves the right to change the hour and day of any race, except when it becomes necessary to antedate a race, in which instance the nominators will receive three days' notice by mail to address of entry.

The right reserved to reject any or all entries and declare off or postpone any or all races on account of weather or other sufficient cause.

Entries not declared out by 5 o'clock p. m. the day preceding the race shall be required to start and declarations must be in writing and made at the office of the Secretary at the track.

The Management reserves the right to start any heat after the fourth score, regardless of the position of the horses.

All Stakes are guaranteed by the Panama-Pacific International Exposition for the amount offered and are for the amount offered only.

Records made against time, i.e., breeders' records, and records made in a losing race, shall not be a bar to class eligibility.

Any horse that started in 1914 without improving its record, equaling its record and not winning a race, shall be entitled to one second.

The owner hereby releases the Panama-Pacific International Exposition from all liability of every kind and character on account of loss, damage or injury to horses or other property said owner may have on said Exposition grounds; and further agrees to abide by all the rules of the said Exposition, especially as to the use of track for working out as well as for racing, use of stalls, paddock, wearing of colors, uniforms, numbers and general conduct of all employees.

CONDITIONS FOR $20,000 STAKES—FINAL CLOSING DATE JUNE 1st, 1915.

SUMMER MEETING

No. 17—2:10 CLASS TROTTING.....$20,000
No. 33—2:06 CLASS PACING $20,000

FALL MEETING

No. 2—2:10 CLASS TROTTING $20,000
No. 39—2:06 CLASS PACING $20,000

ENTRIES MADE JUNE 1, 1915, $1000 TO START.

Horses to be named with entry. Entrance fee to accompany nomination. Horses must be eligible on Jan. 1, 1915, to stakes in which they are entered. Stakes divided $5000 to the first heat, $5000 to the second heat, $5000 to the third heat and $5000 according to rank in summary. Moneys divided 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. $20,000 Stakes mile heats, 3 in 5. No race longer than five heats, and moneys in races not decided before the fifth heat will be divided according to rank in the summary at the termination of the fifth heat.

A horse with a record shall be allowed one second for each year, if raced, in which it fails to equal or reduce its record or win a race, if same is claimed by the nominator when making the entry.

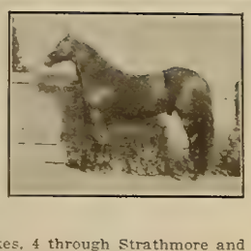
Time allowances according to National Trotting Association rules.

(STAKES GUARANTEED BY THE PANAMA-PACIFIC EXPOSITION)

Members of National Trotting Association and American Trotting Association. National Trotting Association rules to govern. For entry blanks and further particulars, address

F. W. KELLEY, Secretary Race Meetings,
Live Stock Department, Exposition Grounds, San Francisco, Cal.

Derbertha Bells



Licensed Pure Bred. Cert. No. 1172.

NO. 60907 A. T. R. RULE 1.

DERBERTHA BELLS, foaled 1911, stands 15.3, weighs 1200 pounds, and is of magnificent conformation, style, trotting action and color; being a solid dark bay or brown with splendid mane and tail, massive well-formed limbs and feet, beautiful neck and head, fine, well set ear and eye as kindly as a fawn's and as courageous as a lion's. His breeding can only be hinted at here as he traces 20 times to Hambletonian 10—5 through Electioneer, 5 through George Wilkes, 4 through Strathmore and 4 through Abdallah 15 (the big four of the sons of Hambletonian), and twice through his daughters. This breeding is perfectly balanced by 18 crosses to Mamb. Chief 11—5 of these through his greatest son Mamb. Patchen 58 (leading progenitor of the dams of trotting sires), backed up by 2 crosses to Pilot Jr. 12, 4 to Black Hawk 5, 4 to Imp. Trustee and crosses to such other famous broodmare sires as American Star, The Moor, A. W. Richmond, Williamson's Belmont, etc.

I challenge any man to name a stallion with a broodmare inheritance approaching that of Derbertha Bells,—5 crosses to Green Mountain Maid (dam of 9 and Electioneer), 3 to Alma Mater (dam of 8 and 7 sires, including Alcyone and Alcantara), and 1 each to Miss Russell (dam of 7, including Maud S. 2:08¾ and 6 sires, including Nutwood), Dolly (dam of 4 and 5 sires, including Director, Onward and Thorndale), Beautiful Bells (dam of 11, including 4 world's champions and 10 sires) and Minnehaha (dam of 8 and 6 sires). These are pre-eminently the greatest mares of history in point of number of descendants in the standard list, besides 2 crosses to Bertha, the only mare with 2 in 2:04½. 5 in 2:10 and 13 in the list. Counting duplicates this pedigree contains the blood of 20 mares with an average of 9 performers each, and of the 14 mares appearing in the pedigree of two or more 2:10 trotters in 1910 this pedigree contains 8.

His disposition and deportment are in perfect harmony with his superlative breeding and conformation, all that could be desired. I own a yearling filly by him that stamps him as a sire of the first rank, and I invite the most critical inspection both of him and his get. He will be allowed a few choice mares at $25.00 the season with usual return privilege. Tabulated pedigree upon request.

J. W. PENDLETON, Owner,
1601 Seminary Ave., OAKLAND, CAL.

Grandly Bred A Colt Trotter A Proven Sire

Bon McKinney 51480



Cal. State License. Pure Bred No. 1213.
Three-year-old record 2:24½; trial (3) 2:15, 1:05.

Sire of

Bon Courage (2) 2:12¾ **Bon Bell (3) 2:17¾**

Son of BON VOYAGE 2:08 and DAPHNE McKINNEY (dam of Frank N. 2:07¼, etc.), by McKinney 2:11¼; second dam La Moscovita (dam of Bon Guy (3) 2:11¾ and 2 others) by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼; third, fourth and fifth dams also in great brood mare list. Bay horse, in every respect a great individual, with substance, finish, and natural, frictionless trotting action. Very sure foal getter and a steadily rising young sire, his few foals possessing his most excellent qualities to a marked degree. Bon Courage was the only California bred three-year-old to win a heat from Esperanza in 1914.

In the stud, season of 1915, at the Rush & Haile Ranch, Suisun, Cal., season closing August 1st. Fee, $25 with return privilege, payable cash at time of removal of mare. Good pasturage at $2.50 per month. For further particulars address

BEN F. RUSH, Suisun, Cal.

THE ONLY SON OF JAY McGREGOR 2:07¼ ON THE PACIFIC COAST

ONWARD McGREGOR 3, 2:23 1-4

Yearling Trial Quarter in :33

Bay horse, black points, Height 16 hands, weight 1100 lbs. Licensed Non-Standard, Cert. No. 24.

First dam MARY GORDON 2:09¾ by Gordon 3127 (son of Onward 2:25¼); second dam Nell by Young Octoroon, sire of Shadow (dam of 4 and granddam of Peter the Great 2:07¾, J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, etc. Will make a limited season of 20 mares at Pleasanton Driving Park at $35 with usual return privilege. Every mare bred to him this year will be nominated in the Breeders and State Fair Futurities for foals of 1916 and first payment made by his owner. Address for all particulars

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STALLIONS ADVERTISED.

BON McKINNEY (3) 2:24¼.....Ben F. Rush, Suisun
CARLOKIN 2:07½.....W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles
COPA DE ORO 1:59.....W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles
DERBERTHA BELLS.....J. W. Pendleton, Oakland
EXPRESSIVE MAC 2:25½.....J. H. Nelson, Selma
JIM LOGAN 2:01¾.....J. Elmo Montgomery, Woodland
JOE PATCHEN II 2:03¼.....C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton
KINNEY DE LOPEZ 2:23.....Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet
MAHOMET WATTS 2:08¼.....C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton
ONWARD McGREGOR (3) 2:23¼..B. Webster, Pleasanton
PETER McKLYO (3) 2:12½.....Jas. Thompson, San Jose
PRINCE ANSEL (2) 2:20½.....Harry Dowling, Woodland
ROBERT BINGEN 2:11¼.....Harry Dowling, Woodland
THE PROOF (2) 2:29¾.....Keefer & Spencer, Pleasanton
VERNON McKINNEY 2:01½..C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton
WILBUR LOU (3) 2:10¼.....Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet
ZOMBLACK (2) 2:26.....C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton

LAST CALL FOR P.-P. I. E. ENTRIES.

Before another edition of the Breeder and Sportsman comes from the press, the entries to all the class races to the harness horse meetings at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition will have closed, though the next publication date follows too closely upon the day of closing, Thursday, April First, for that week's paper to contain the entry lists or even a synopsis of the same, as the mails from even some California points will not reach us until after the last forms have been sent to press. The week following, however, we can make definite announcement as to what is what in the various classes.

Never have prospects seemed more favorable for the holding of a truly great harness horse meeting, both in June and November. Many of the best horses in the country are already on California soil and several stables have signified their intentions of moving here early in April, so that there will be plenty of horses on hand for June, while in November we will get great numbers of horses that adverse circumstances of one kind or another kept from making an appearance in June. Almost all the larger stables of the Grand Circuit have at some time during the winter signified their intention of coming on from Lexington and their entries are expected on April first.

The meetings have been fully advertised in the press in every quarter of the American continent where the trotter is known, and thousands of entry blanks and letters have gone to horsemen throughout the world. The fact is long ere now known in the most remote "cross roads" that the Panama-Pacific exposition is an unparalleled success from every standpoint, and horsemen are going to contribute their share of the support needed for it to establish a "new highwater mark" for its kind that not even even the highest of a coming decade of high tides can efface. From the day of its opening the attendance has been of the figure-smashing kind, and by the time the summer is in its infancy the attendance will have been greatly augmented by the hordes of visitors that "vacation time" will send to us.

Of the many precedents established by the infant exposition, now some thirty odd days of age, none have been of greater import than the high place accorded the trotter in its schedule of major features. For them a sum of many thousands has been spent in providing a racing plant of unrivaled effciency and safety, with every comfort for horse and man, of surpassing beauty and grandeur of environment. For them has been hung up a sum of money, in stakes and purses, in excess of a quarter of a million dollars. Never before has a great world's fair paid such a compliment to the trotter as a provider of popular sport, and a proper support of the meetings on the part of horsemen in general will mean that similar provisions will be made for them and theirs at future like events. Conversely, a lack of support means future short pickings for horsemen around big expositions, but there seems small likelihood of a "flivver" of the latter nature, as the interest taken in the meetings has been general and widespread. Indications are that the rich purse events will not only fill, but fill exceptionally well.

So thoroughly have the meetings been discussed and advertised that we do not believe there is a live horseman in the land who does not know the opportunities they open to him or who is not familiar with the conditions governing them. All particulars appear elsewhere in this issue and for this time all we have to say is—enter "from soda to hock and then call the turn," bearing always in mind that next Thursday, April 1, is your last day of grace for the class races.

A VISITOR FROM AUSTRALIA.

California and California horsemen have had the pleasure recently of entertaining one of the gentlemen who is playing a prominent part in the rise of the trotter into popularity in the lands of the antipodes, Mr. M. E. Pye, presiding judge of the West Australian Trotting Association of Perth, West Australia. Mr. Pye spent several days in San Francisco and vicinity, visiting the exposition and various points of interest, including Pleasanton, where he was greatly interested in the work of the green ones and the more famous members of the senior division, with many of whom he was familiar "on paper." On Wednesday morning he departed for an extended visit in the east, planning to return to the coast the latter part of May in order to be present at the June meeting at the exposition before sailing for his home.

As a result of a number of pleasant chats with the Perth official in which the amount of curiosity displayed on "our" part would have done huge credit to the proverbially curious cat or the insistently inquisitive feminine of the human family, we are more than ever convinced of the soundness of a statement made previously in the columns of this publication to the effect that during the few years that the trotter has been known to our sister countries of New Zealand and Australia, the promoters of the sport in those lands have made far greater proportionate progress in establishing it on a firm basis than have our people in the whole period of the trotter's history. Only a few years ago, especially in West Australia, trotting races were unknown. Today the meetings of the Perth association outrank those of the galloping courses in popularity with the general public, and the galloper has been an institution in that locality "since time was."

About the only points of resemblance between a meeting at Perth and a meeting in this country lie in the fact that the contending horses trot or pace on an enclosed track. From there the contrast is sharply marked, and some of our American sticklers for adherence to the plans upon which trotters were raced by our forefathers will receive a rude shock should they see this story and learn of the methods under which trotting in Australia is making such rapid strides.

Racing at Perth is conducted throughout the entire year, the meetings being held on Saturday nights, under the illumination provided by a hundred thousand candlepowers of electric light, over a third of a mile course built of shell. There are no heat races, the events being of the dash order, from one to two miles, and seven or eight races usually constitute the program. The standing start is used and the distance handicap, all horses leaving their marks at a pistol shot. The totalisator is in use and bookmaking is licensed. Entrance fees are arranged so that they are about 2½ per cent, and often as many as thirty nominations are received for one event. There are no judges save the presiding judge and time is recorded as much as a safeguard against crooked driving as for a purpose of classification.

Doubtless by this time a good many readers have thrown up their hands in holy horror, but just keep this in mind—the system works! You are due for another jolt. The wishes of horsemen are not regarded in framing stakes, handicaps or racing rules, the protection and encouragement of the public being the first consideration with the association. Every rule is made to be obeyed in letter and spirit, and penalties for infractions follow quick and sure.

There are a number of things about the method of racing there that appeal to the writer to a considerable degree, when contrasted with our system. Primarily, a meeting a week means a continued turnover and a continued chance for earnings, and as a horse does not have to be keyed up for a lot of scoring and a number of repeats, he probably would last as long there as here and have greater earning capacity. If a mile suits him he can race a mile—if two miles, all right. If he can trot or pace in 2:20 he has the same chance to win that he would have as a 2:10 performer—and by the same system he does not eventually become outclassed owing to speed, as he is automaticallly cared for in the handicap. Dash races, too, promote honest driving to win as there is no incentive for "laying up." A horse laid up one week and winner the next on an improvement of over three seconds becomes—with his driver and owner—an object of suspicion and is penalized by disqualification or suspension, and Australian suspensions are not overnight affairs. Handicaps are made according to winning performances, but by an ingenious system of timing whereby the performances of all horses finishing ahead of the flag are registered, the consistency of the handicap—and of the horse's rating—can be readily determined. So satisfactory has the system been that closely contested finishes are the rule, and these, of course, are more conducive to public interest than are faster "processions." Handicapping is kept right up to the moment, and should a horse be entered in two events the same evening and win his first start in improved form over his previous rating he would be re-handicapped the next time out on a pro-rata basis that would equalize the winning chances of the remainder of the field. The whole system is so different from anything with which we are familiar that only a personal observation of a few meetings would give an American a real idea of its merits or demerits, but the writer yet maintains that there are things to be learned from our friends across the sea.

For instance, the timing. We have had agitated in this country the timing of the first four horses in each heat, and in certain quarters the idea has been derided as an impossibility, or practically so, and considerable amusement has been derived by some persons in "imagining" timers for four horses, or every horse in the race. These bright gentlemen have yet to learn the lesson that fell to the writer's lot—that watches are made whereby the time of any number of horses, finishing as far as or farther than one-fifth of a second apart, can be recorded correctly by one man. We are a bunch of real bright ginks as long as we stay at home and no one comes to visit us!

The West Australia Trotting Club has about $20,000 invested in its present plant, which is on leased land. So firmly established is its following that it plans at present to pay $30,000 for a bit of land upon which to erect its own plant, with probably a half-mile track and all accessories, bringing the investment to somewhere about $55,000, exclusive of a new totalisator which will cost some twenty-five thousand dollars and which is being constructed to handle wagers on twenty-eight horses. Bookmakers doing business on the Association's ground are licensed for that enclosure only and bonded, so the public is protected both ways.

Mr. Pye is an interesting talker and enthusiastic over the future of the sport in his home. His description of their system is much more thorough than is this short sketch, as he is conversant with it from every angle and is ever on the alert for suggestions leading to its improvement; he will be with us some weeks, and the writer takes pleasure in commending him to the good offices of American horsemen whenever and wherever they meet.

P.-P. I. E. OFFICIALS CHOSEN.

After a number of "false starts" owing to sickness or a pressure of other business affairs, the Executive Committee in charge of the harness horse meetings at the P.-P. I. E. met this week at the office of the department of live stock and gave consideration to a number of matters of importance, chief among the actions taken being the selection of the more important officials under whose guiding hands the meetings are to be conducted.

Applications for the position of starter and presiding judge were on file in profusion from all quarters of the land and the committee had a good deal of a task confronting them in making a choice from the array of talent at their disposal. North met south and east met west in the competition, and when the day was over it was found that an "intersectional compromise" had been arrived at in the most important instances, Mr. O. P. Updegraff of Topeka, Kansas, and Magnus Flaws of Chicago having been chosen as starter and presiding judge, respectively. Both gentlemen are well known to horsemen in all parts of the country, either by reputation or personal acquaintance, and the action of the committee will meet with general approval. Mr. Flaws has long been one of the "standbys" of the judges' stand on a number of major eastern circuits, and Colonel Updegraff has been in the business equally as long a bit farther west. His last appearance was at Phoenix last fall, where he administered the duties of presiding judge most agreeably while Dr. Stone did the starting. Robert S. Brown of Petaluma, long regarded as one of the best men seen in the stand on the coast tracks, has been asked to act as one of Mr. Flaws' associates, while S. Christenson, to whose initiative the exposition meetings are in a large extent due, was chosen as one of the timers. The remaining officials will be selected at a later date and will be of the same degree of competence as the gentlemen above mentioned, so horsemen may be assured of the manner in which the racing will be conducted.

GRAND RAPIDS EARLY CLOSERS.

Grand Rapids, along with other members of the big line, has made faster classifications for its major stakes for its meeting of August 9 to 15, making the following four events to which entries close on Tuesday, April 6: No. One, 2:08 Trot, $5000; No. Two, 2:14 Trot, $3000; No. Three, 2:08 Pace, $2000; No. Four, 2:12 Pace, $3000. The complete starting fee in each event is five per cent, payable in four instalments, nominators having the privilege of declaring out at any time and being liable only for amount due prior to date of making declaration. Additional entries may be made in the same event by the payment of an extra 2½ per cent in each instance, though if two horses start the full five per cent will be charged. Races are three in five under the old system, with the customary four moneys.

In addition to this good offering of early closers, Secretary Moone announces that a comprehensive program of class purses of $1000 each will be prepared, to close July 27, and that especial care will be taken in the arrangement of this schedule to provide classes most acceptable to horsemen who patronize the major events, enabling them to get other engagements for the same horses if desired. The full announcement, with conditions and detailed schedule of payments, appears elsewhere in this publication.

General Sherwood's Tribute

It is usually a case of "nobody home" with the writer when it comes to reading the Congressional Record, but there is a great pleasure to be derived by every horseman from a perusal of that portion of the transcript reprinted herewith—an address in behalf of the horse delivered in the halls of Congress by Representative Sherwood of Ohio, longer known to fame as General Isaac R. Sherwood, "gentleman and scholar" if there ever was one, soldier and statesman from young manhood, and horseman from infancy. The General, who is a welcome figure in any company where horsemen are assembled and who for his city use has held steadfast to a trotting team beside which the luster of the shiniest limousine is dimmed, is no "fanatic" on any topic, and in this instance has presented an able brief for which he has earned the thanks of thousands of friends, old and new. You, too, will thank the General after reading the following, and will feel that the time consumed has been well and pleasantly spent:

Mr. Speaker, the ponderous and unusually expensive Agricultural bill carries a liberal appropriation for horse breeding and experiments in live-stock production. It is the universal opinion among expert horsemen that there are sufficient ways to spend the tax money of the people without going into competition with private enterprise in scientific horse breeding. Every intelligent horseman knows that the United States standard-bred trotting horse, bred for over three-quarters of a century by private enterprise and private capital, is the superior of any horse in either Europe or Asia. He is in stamina, quality, speed and style the superior of the Orloff trotter bred under Government auspices in Russia for a quarter of a century longer than the American trotter.

The following resolution, unanimously adopted, expresses the prevailing views on this subject of not only saddle-horse devotees, but of all other classes of horsemen in the United States, especially the breeder of standard trotters and thoroughbreds:

Resolved by the American Saddle Horse Breeders' Association, in annual meeting, this April 11, 1913, That it be, and is, the sense of this meeting that the breeding of horses is not properly within the function of the Government, and the undertaking on the part of the War Department and Department of Agriculture of the United States Government to breed horses for Cavalry service is an unwarranted and unjustifiable interference with private enterprise; and further, that each member of this association be, and is hereby, requested to communicate with his Member of Congress and two Senators from his State, protesting against this Government's interference with private affairs.

Hostile Legislation Has Ruined Harness Racing.

How is it possible to promote scientific horse breeding by the United States Government in the presence of so much hostile legislation by the States to wipe out horse racing or horse culture? Speed horses of high quality commanded very remunerative prices when breeders were allowed to race their products in the grand circuit. There were plenty of ready home buyers at the end of the grand circuit for tried and educated horses of speed, manners and quality, and buyers from Russia, Austria, London, Paris, and nearly all the leading capitals of Europe. Millions of good gold dollars were brought into the United States by foreign buyers, prices ranging for stallions of fashionable breeding and extreme speed from $25,000 to $75,000. All the stock farms were prosperous, and there was neither a demand nor an excuse for Government patronage or Government aid until the hypocritical blatherers, masquerading as reformers, started on their destructive work.

I am not here to criticize the efforts of the Government to promote scientific horse breeding, but to call attention to the notoriously unfortunate fact that nearly all the States north of the Ohio River have enacted hostile legislation to discredit and practically ruin scientific horse breeding. This has been done largely by legislation against pool selling on race tracks. This legislation has practically ruined the splendid series of harness racing known as the grand circuit, which a decade ago furnished to millions of horse-loving enthusiasts the most wholesome and recreative and alluring of all the outdoor sports and pastimes of the American people. This legislation has also ruined the county fairs, which for half a century have afforded so much wholesome enjoyment to the boys and girls of the farms.

Has Only Increased Gambling.

And what has been the result of this legislation upon the speculative element of modern society? Has it stopped gambling? No; it has increased it. Has it elevated the moral tone of society? No; it has degraded it. All peoples—Christian, pagan and Mohammedan—have their recreations and pastimes. If they are not allowed the best they are liable to go to the worst. In the United Stateswe have practically killed the high-class horse racing and inaugurated prize fighting, baseball and football. And we are now gambling three times as much on these games as we ever did in the very heyday of horse racing. And a game that is outlawed in every civilized country around the world—prize fighting—is now the most popular pastime of the sporting element of the American people. The brutal bouts of the nose smashers and rib crackers of the prize ring are the leading features of all our leading daily newspapers. They are even betting disgracefully on the polo game. And the select ladylike are gambling on it far more than was ever known on race horses.

Here is a reliable telegram showing the big hit made by Mrs. Hitt:

Los Angeles, Cal., March 4.

Perry Beadleston won the laurels in today's polo round robin, his individual score of 6 being the best. Mrs. William Hitt, formerly Katherine Elkins, bid in Beadleston at the auction and pool last night for $35 and won the $700 pot. Some one estimated that at least $12,000 a game has changed hands during the season.

And no protests made anywhere.

As I never bet a dollar in my life on a horse race and never bought a pool ticket on a horse and never bet on any other sport, not even a twilight tango, I am giving an entirely disinterested opinion on this vital question, based on over 60 years of personal observation.

When the football team of the University of Pennsylvania met in combat with the football team of the University of Michigan at Ann Arbor, Mich., this team of high-class university students carried with them $4,000 to bet on the game, and the game was played and the money was bet within the sacred precincts of that great university. Not a sound was heard against it. Had a horse race transpired on that highly cultivated, ethical soil, with $4,000 bet on the result, all the gamblers in the game would have been arrested and penalized. As an ethical question, is it more of a crime, either morally or by statute, to bet on a four-legged animal than on a two-legged human being?

In England, when Edward VII was Prince of Wales, only a few royal degenerates of his fast set patronized the prize ring; but in all the larger cities of the United States the "four hundred" are in the craze to witness the nose smashing and human blood letting of the prize ring. In view of this deplorable degeneracy, the harness horse offers today the most recreative and morally wholesome entertainment of all the outdoor sports and pastimes—a sport free from both brutality and blood, a sport free from smut and immoral trend, a sport full of good health and good cheer. The actor and the showman are always the best types of the moral and social elevation of any people. The actor acts to please only. If the people demand smut, the actor is always a smut machine. If the people demand brutality and blood, the prize fighter and the bully become the stars. How far are we away from that condition now? The grand plays of Shakespeare and all dramas of moral import are everywhere being supplanted by the frivolous, vulgar and smutty vaudeville.

Why God Created the Horse.

The monkey and the magpie, on their respective perches, are always interesting. The former with his grimaces and antics and face, reminding us of the primeval man, and the latter, with his song and chatter, seems the incarnation of the music of the woods. But it is not given to man to know why an All-Wise Creator made them as the companion of the forests. But every intelligent human being knows why God created the horse. In the domain of the utilities of life, in the more esthetic field of the recreations, in poetry and song and sculpture, and on the red fields of war, the horse, since creation's dawn, has been the omnipresent companion and helpmate of his master—man. Let us now scan the law of the inevitable—the natural loves and instincts of man as illustrated by all history. From the ancient Pharoah of the Exodus to Gen. Phil Sheridan, the horse has shared the honors of war, the glamours of love, the wild witchery of chivalric tournament, and the gloom and glory of all the crusades, Christian or Mohammedan. By a law of Moses the Jews were forbidden to ride horses. The horse at that period, before invention of gunpowder, was regarded solely as an engine of war, and Moses desired to make his people a pastoral people, devoted to the arts of peace. This is why Christ rode into Jerusalem on the more docile and peace-loving ass—to symbolize more fully his mission of peace and good will to all mankind. And right here let me turn aside to point a moral. Today we have too much of the machine in our social and political life. The almost universal pursuit of money is trampling in the mire all poetic and patriotic feeling and wearing all the verdure out of men's hearts—and women's hearts, too.

The Horse in the Heroics.

From time immemorial the horse has been immortalized with his immortal master. He has been perpetuated in stone and iron and bronze with the poets, philosophers, and soldiers of the world.

In Berlin it is Frederick the Great and his horse.

In Trafalgar Square, London, it is Lord Wellington and his horse.

In Paris it is Napoleon and his horse.

In our National Capital it is Grant and his horse, Jackson and his horse, and glorious old "Pop" Thomas and his horse. In Richmond it is Washington and his horse, Robert E. Lee and his horse, and Stonewall Jackson and his horse.

On the obelisks of dead old Egypt, on the Arch of Trojan at Rome, and the arch of triumph that Napoleon built in Paris to celebrate his victories, the horse and this hero rider are multiplied on every ascending circle.

The Old Testament prophetess Mriam, taking her timbrels to swell the song of triumph which Moses gave to the poetry of the ages, in celebrating the drowning of Pharaoh and his cavalry in the Red Sea, says:

"Sing ye to the Lord, for He hath triumphed gloriously. The horse and his rider He hath thrown into the sea."

You will notice that the inspired prophetess gives the horse first mention over the soldier, doubtless on his merits, as the more humane of the two.

Prof. Darwin does not tell us in his great work on the evolution of man the number of years that elapsed between the development of the manlike ape to the apelike man; but, since history began, with its dim and uncertain light, I believe the horse with hoofs to have been coexistent with the devil with hoofs and coexistent with the apelike man, if not coequal.

Prof. Leidy, very high authority, says the prehistoric man had a prehistoric horse for his companion. The same high authority says that while it is true that Columbus discovered no horses with the native Indians when he discovered America, there is no longer room for doubt that the horse lived on the American Continent before the race of Adam.

I believe that he lived alongside of the mastodon as the companion of prehistoric man.

Dr. Allen, in his great work entitled "Civilization," gives a vivid picture of the first arrival of the barbaric Huns in Europe in the fourth century. The chiefs are all mounted on magnificent horses, richly caparisoned, that, as Lord Byron says in immortal Mazeppa, "look as if the speed of thought were in their limbs."

In Bullfinch's fascinating book entitled "King Arthur and His Knights," which includes the heroic age of chivalry, we find the horse the conspicuous figure in every joust and tournament escapade and romance. He is prominent in all the songs of the troubadours, many of which were written by women. Indeed, the word chivalry is from the French word cheval, a horse.

The history of all civilization, Christian, pagan, and Mohammedan, prove that God made the horse for man's utility, comfort and pleasure. Those who think that any man-made machine, however artistic, can ever take his place know little and think less. Of course, we shall have machine motors, as we have wax flowers and paste diamonds and crockery dolls. But wax flowers will never shed fragrance on the bosom of a divine woman, like the God-grown blossoms; and the crockery dolls will never take the place of real babies; neither will the counterfeit blaze of paste diamonds ever mock successfully the rainbow tints of the real gems. And the live horse, the horse immortalized in song and story and sculpture and romance and war, will ever be animate and imperishable; man's best and most wholesome friend among the animals.

The Horse in Heroic Literature.

It is a historical fact, with 2,000 years of civilization to verify it, that the introduction of the horse in public amusements has always marked the improved moral tone of every people, either Christian or pagan. In that period of brutal rule so vividly depicted in that great historical novel Quo Vadis, when Nero sat above Rome, wild beasts from the forests of Germany were brought to fight gladiators and devour Christian martyrs in the Roman amphitheater, amid the wild applause of the Roman populace. Later, when Rome was touched with a gentler and more benign civilization, under the Emperor Augustus, the bloody bouts between men and wild beasts were supplanted by the chariot races, where the horse was the main factor of the entertainment.

All the poets of modern times put horses under their heroes. King Richard III, according to Shakespeare, offered his whole kingdom for a horse, after his game steed fell dead on the bloody battlefield of Bosworth. He could not get another horse on his offer, and thereby lost the battle and the crown, and the blood of Plantagenet was dried up forever, and the blood of Tudor came in to rule England, all for lack of a horse.

All the standard English poets were horse fanciers. Lord Byron's Mazeppa, a poem of horse and romance and escapade, is one of the grandest in the language. Sir Walter Scott in immortal Marmion, puts into Lady Heron's sweet mouth the story of "Young Lochinvar," one of the most thrilling musical gems in the English language. And young Lochinvar's horse is the supreme factor of the escapade. You remember, when young Lochinvar stole away the bride, that was about to wed "a laggard in love and a dastard in war," he caught her on the home stretch, and throwing her willing form behind his own, astride his prancing steed, while two pair of chivalrous legs were thrilling the throbbing ribs of his game flier, the lads and lassies of the laggard bridegroom had no steeds fleet enough to follow and young Lochinvar got away with everything.

Even Tennyson, late poet laureate of England, with all his finical, fine ladyisms of versification, occasionally braces up into the robust heroic when he mounts the English thoroughbred. He does this in "Locksley Hall," but his best effort by far is "The Charge of the Light Brigade." But Tennyson is hardly in the same class with Sir Walter Scott. In all the minstrelsy of Scott the horse comes in to gild the heroics, whether he sings of love or war.

And the finest dramatic poem of our great Civil War is "Sheridan's Ride," written by our Ohio poet, T. Buchanan Reed, in which the horse is the hero, because without that game flier Sheridan could never have turned defeat into victory in that immortal 20-mile ride from Winchester to Cedar Creek. It was the fleet black stallion that carried Sheridan that gray October morning in 1864 that made victory possible. And the poet tells it well:

With foam and with dust the black charger was gray;
By the flash of his eye and his red nostrils play,
He seemed to the whole great army to say:
I have brought you Sheridan to save the day,
From Winchester, twenty miles away.

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And when their statues are placed on high,
Under the dome of the Union sky,
Be it said in letters both bold and bright,
Here is the steed that saved the day,
By carrying Sheridan into the fight
From Winchester, twenty miles away.

In the language of Lord Byron, in his immortal "Mazeppa," "Bring forth the horse"—the harness horse—

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Canadian Horses in California

Of the many lands that are participating in the exposition and helping to lend to it a truly international air, none are playing a more prominent part than our sister country just across the line to the north of us—the Dominion of Canada. Her support was promised from the first and she has more than made good in every way. Her building at the P.-P. I. E. houses one of the greatest displays of varied resources of wealth ever assembled, from both utilitarian and purely artistic standpoints; her participation in a number of special features is also assured, and she has sent down the best of her harness horses to compete for the big stakes and purses that will be raced for in June and November, a number of her breeders and owners being among the list of original nominators to the major events.

The most recent arrivals from north of the boundary are Barney Barnes and W. W. Fleming who landed at Pleasanton early last week after a good journey from Winnipeg, Barney bringing Joe Carson's good pacers College Gent and Strathtell, and the Fleming stable including Billy's own trotter Tropic Dawn and the racing string of E. J. Rochon of the Leland Hotel, Winnipeg—The Beaver, The Badger, Alberta Dillon and Seneca Boy, all of which will be among the fields at the exposition meetings.

College Gent, the Carson entry for the big pace, is an Oregon product, bred by F. S. Heard of Haines, foaled in 1908, a son of Kentucky Patterson 32074 and Belle H. by Senator Crisp 46250. He made his first bow to the public as a three-year-old at Baker City, finishing third to El Reno and Bill Hanley, and as a four-year-old started in four events, three of which he won, standing fourth in the other. At Boise that year he defeated Lady Verton, who was being teamed by Barney Barnes, his subsequent purchase by the Canadians following this showing. His record for that season was 2:14¼, and in Barnes' hands in his first season across the line he was invincible, making a clean sweep of eleven winning starts, losing only three heats during the year—one each to Friday, Pointer's Daughter and King Seal—and going into winter quarters with a record of 2:09¼, being the first and only 2:10 performer to be credited either to Kentucky Patterson or the daughters of Senator Crisp. In 1914 he made a dozen starts in good company, winning half of them, standing once second and five times third. He holds the track record of 2:10¾ at Red Deer, and obtained his present mark at Yakima in the fastest race ever pulled off in Washington, the time hung out for the winners (which in each case is the present tag carried by them) being 2:05 for Ovieda, 2:06¼ for Hal Boy and 2:06½ for College Gent, the latter heading the summary. He is a racy looking black fellow who has yet to learn what it means to finish outside the money—and his friends claim that there is no sure thing that he will be taught this lesson at the P.-P. I. E., regardless of the time and the company.

Strathtell is a bay horse of a different type from his stable mate, also a year older. He comes from down in the corn belt, having been bred by Roy Johnston of Centerville, Iowa. His sire is Motell 40427 (son of Moko and Actress T. by Axtell 2:12) and his dam is Ruth Strathberry by the great old Iowa race horse and sire, Strathberry 2:04¼. In 1911 he started in four events, finishing twice third, once second and once first, acquiring a record of 2:24¼. The following season he competed in eleven events, winning two, being twice behind the money and winning his fastest heat in 2:17¼, being twice second in 2:13¼ and once second in 2:12¾. Again raced in the central west in 1913 by his breeder he made a most excellent campaign, winning eight races and being three times third, pacing a number of times below 2:15, his record of 2:14¼ being made at Sac City, where in the same week he won two five-heat races. Last season witnessed his appearance in Barnes' hands, and while he came slow at first and failed for a few early races to land in the money, he improved as the campaign lengthened and from Edmonton on he never failed to get a portion of the purse, from fourth to first, racing against such horses as Ovieda, Imbro, Yedno, Jim Hill, May Davis, White Sox and others with plenty of speed.

The Rochon pacers that Mr. Fleming will race this year, The Beaver and The Badger, are both by Searchlight 2:03¼, the former out of the great brood mare Ripple 2:28½ by Glenbrook 25505 and the latter out of Nancy H. 2:06¼ by Gambetta Wilkes 2:19¼. The Beaver has been raced for two years by Barney Barnes, beginning his career in June, 1913, at Winnipeg with a straight heat win, the fastest heat of which was in 2:16¼, a figure from which he clipped a second the following week at Portage la Prairie in a winning race. Back at Winnipeg he was once winner and once second, to Grand Opera, and won his starts at Regina and Saskatoon, his best record of the year being made at the former city and standing as the track record at that time. Last season he made but three starts, his first one at Portage la Prairie where he was second to Prince Wood in a hot five-heat battle, winning the first two heats in 2:10¼, 2:09½. At Winnipeg he yielded the head of the summary to Haltamont after the same kind of a contest that he figured in at Portage, and in the free-for-all pace at Brandon, half mile track, he nipped two heats from Molly Darling in 2:09¼, 2:08¼, and outranked such good ones as Merry Direct 2:06¼, Ella Penrose 2:07¼, Fern Hal 2:06¾, Alcyfras 2:03¼ and Knight Onwardo 2:04¾. The Badger has done very little racing and is yet eligible to the green classes, his mark of 2:15¼ not being a win race record.

Alberta Dillon, Mr. Rochon's fastest record trotter, is a daughter of Sidney Dillon and the double producing matron Miss Lamartine by Lamartine, being bred, trained and originally raced by the Indiana horseman, Volney French of Montpelier. Volney raced her easily for a few seasons over Indiana, Michigan and Ohio tracks and gave her a mark of 2:17¼, the lass trotting in that notch on two separate occasions. Her best season was in 1913, the first year Barnes had her, when she raced from June till late fall, making twelve starts in which she was six times first and but three times unplaced. Her winning races were in almost every instance hard fought, split heat affairs, her record of 2:10 being made at Salem in the third heat of a five time contest, with Dr. Wayo and Borena D. as her main contenders. In 1914 she raced against such tough nuts as Dean Swift 2:08, Grattan Boy 2:10, Kid Cupid 2:08¾ and others of their kind and was but once not included in the money cutting.

Seneca Boy is the remaining member of the Rochon string, and his blood lines call back some famous days, as he is by King Entertainer 2:10¼ and out of the dam of the unfortunate Penisa Maid 2:04¼—Seneca Maid 2:20 by John Adams. He was foaled in 1909, and as a three-year-old was started four times in Canada and once in this country in mixed events for that age, winning his race and obtaining a record of 2:25¾ at Moose Jaw, and ranking second in his other starts. The following season he was started but twice, being third each time, and last year as a five-year-old he made a nice campaign for Barnes, trotting to a record of 2:15¼ at Portage la Prairie and showing considerably faster later in the year. He won four races and was only once behind the money—in the heavy going at Salem in the race in which only Dean Swift and Rags finished the contest without interference from the flagman. Earlier in the meeting, over the same course, he was three times second to Dean Swift in 2:08½, 2:11¾, 2:10, so that his future looks pretty bright.

Tropic Dawn, Mr. Fleming's own trotter, has had less racing experience than any of her stable mates, but has demonstrated good trotting qualities. As a four-year-old in 1913 she raced at a number of Canadian points, also at Hamline and Milwaukee, winning two races and never finishing behind the money. She figured in some tough "splits" and is bred to like that kind, being by Symboleer 2:09½ and out of Panadora by Allerton 2:09¼, second dam Fay Glen (dam of Stroller 2:05¼, etc.) by Belsire 2:18. She was held over for 1915 and Mr. Fleming modestly describes her as "an average kind of a trotter," so she will probably do.

Californians are more familiar with the other good Canadian trotter now at Pleasanton—Grattan Boy—as he has been with us all winter and Harry Bell is well known to coast horsemen in general through former seasons spent here. In 1913 this lad was raced through the Canadian prairies without distinguishing himself, but in the winter of 1913-1914 annexed considerable fame and money over the ice courses, ranking the trotters racing in that fashion. Evidently he profited considerably in his experiences both fighting the dust out on the prairies and picking little holes in the ice with his sharp calked shoes through the winter, as he came out strong in his campaign last summer. Starting off at Edmonton in May he made a poor showing for John Wall, being behind the money, but that was not to happen to him again for a long time. At Saskatoon he was second, and clear on through the Canadian circuit he was either first or second—more often first. At Detroit he defeated a field composed of such campaigners as Fair Virginia, Peter Billiken, Exall and Bertha Carey, racing to his present record of 2:09½. The Bells bought him about this time and "Pop" Geers had the mount behind him for the balance of the season. At Columbus he was second to Brighton B. in a six-heat race, and at Lexington was behind the money in the memorable contest in which Tommy Torn, Lizzie Brown, Maymack and Oakdale hung up some new world's records. At Dallas he was sick and distanced, loading out for Phoenix with a high temperature. At the Arizona capital he was unable to race, and even when he landed at Pleasanton he was far from a well horse. There, however, he has rounded to nicely and has wintered in excellent shape. He is a horse whom the critics regard highly and promises to play a good part in this year's races, both in California and elsewhere. His winnings were in excess of $6300 in 1914, and out of eighteen starts he was ten times winner and five times second.

In addition to these stables, the Canadians are further represented by the horses now in training at Los Angeles in the hands of James Stewart, owned by Messrs. McClain, Stewart, and others, including the great pacers Homer Mac 2:06¾ and Patrick de Oro, with a three-year-old record of 2:22¼ and a trial at the same age in a fraction slower than 2:08 over a two-lap track. The whole representation is most worthy of respect in casting up the future dope, and after the way Canada and her horsemen have joined in making the P.-P. I. E. an unparalleled success we shall not begrudge these good sportsmen the money they take from us in June and November.

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Vice-President A. Ottinger of the San Francisco Driving Club made the Pleasanton journey last Saturday and threw a few miles into Copper the Ore, Dick W. and Zulu Belle, working the latter a pretty fast clip minus her customary "drawers," which she didn't seem to miss. "Ot's" gray sweater looked warm and "comfy" but the "ice cream" breeches that he sprung on an unsuspecting public looked a bit chilly even for Pleasanton in March. Schwartz worked Agnes Carter for him late in the day, the "come back" going some nice miles with the final quarter at a 2:08 clip. Just where all the scare head stories about the holes in this girl originated is a bit vague, as she behaves perfectly, is an excellent individual and sound as a nut to all appearances.

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One of the leaders of the Canadian "Expeditionary Force"
THE BEAVER 2:08¼, BY SEARCHLIGHT 2:03¼
Entered in the twenty-thousand-dollar 2:06 pace by E. J. Rochon of Winnipeg.
Has been under fire on the two-lap fields and has had his hindquarters
facing the enemy at the wire on the shady side of 2:10.
W. W. Fleming up.

GENERAL SHERWOOD'S TRIBUTE.

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man's best, most useful, and most wholesome animal friend. Let us see him, often and again—in the swift-footed flights of the charmed circle, in the bright aurora of the twentieth century, under our benign skies and suns, under our flag with the gleaming stars of States.

Have you ever stopped to think what would have become of Gen. Sheridan and our army that desperate day had Gen. Sheridan made the ride in an automobile? Could he have made it with a "busted" tire Could he have inspired the boys with courage anew with a machine instead of the black charger that, with foam on his flanks and nostrils red as blood, carried the courage of his great master into the hearts of the musketeers? An immortal poem was born that day that will go singing down the ages; not inspired by Gen. Sheridan, but by Gen. Sheridan and his horse.

It is not the war horse that Christian civilization of the twentieth century, now in its dawn, should care to exploit. It is the domestic horse. The horse of peace, the horse that carries his master, in the exhiliration of the wind, along pleasant valleys, by running brooks, and meadows green with verdure, by woods vocal with the song of birds, to make him forget his nervous worry over business cares and catch an appetite and the serene joy that awaits good digestion.

The Horse in Mythology.

Is it possible that a mere animal like the horse should have been a vital part of the creed that linked men and gods in the religion of the most poetic and accomplished of all the ancient peoples? The religions of ancient Greece and Rome have long since become extinct, but the poetry and literature of the age of mythology have enriched the literature and poetry of all living languages. The religion of these two, now dead, civilizations is the most poetic and irresistible of all the high-wrought witcheries of men or gods in the mystic domain of the supernatural. And if the horse is a vital element in the ministering power of the gods of mythology, it indicates that of all the animals in the animal kingdom the horse, in the conception of the pagan world, was endowed with a creative potency ranking with the superior gods.

We learn that the god Neptune controlled all the waters of the great ocean—the Mediterranean Sea being the only ocean the Greeks knew—and that he created the horse. Homer, in his Illiad, sings of Neptune thus: "He yokes to the chariot his swift steeds, with feet of brass and manes of gold, and himself (Neptune) clad in gold, drives over the waves."

Prof. Murray's Manual of Mythology, speaking of Neptune and his sea horses, says: "The sea rejoices and makes way for him. His horses speed lightly over the waves and never a drop of water touches the brazen axle."

In Greek statuary Aurora is represented as a spirited maiden with expansive wings, clad in flowing robes of white and purple, riding the Pegasus, and distilling through clouds of amber the morning dew. For the benefit of all horsemen who dote on pedigrees, I submit herewith the high-wrought pedigree of Pegasus:

When the cruel god Perseus cut off Medusa's head, as the mythical story runs, the blood sinking into the earth produced the winged horse Pegasus. Minerva, the Goddess of Wisdom, caught him wild and tamed him, and presented him to the Muses. And the fountain of Hippocrene, on the Muses' Mountain, Helicon, was opened by a kick of Pegasus' hoof. This seems like a large horse story, but it is as reliable as some of our modern tales. Minerva gave Pegasus a bridle of gold lace, and with his wings he soared the sky like a bird. In fact, he is the original first-class flier in the grand circuit of the skies. An agile youth, who came to the Court of the Gods, named Bellerophen, rode Pegasus into the upper air and with his spear killed the fiery dragon, Chimaera, as he was cavorting the sky.

Not only is the horse a foremost factor in the religions of ancient Greece and Rome, but he figures still more conspicuously in the religions and mythologies of ancient Persia and India. In the Vedic hymns of Persia, the most interesting and instructive of all the weird and mystic literature of that country, we gather a true idea of the religion of the ancient Persians and learn therefrom the most sublime conceptions of the Supreme Being. These hymns were written a thousand years before Christ. The Vedic theory of the creation is far more poetic than the Mosaic account. It attributes all created things to a single being—the Golden Child, "who established the earth and this heaven, who built the firmament of ether, measured the air, and set the sun on high, and who begot the bright and mighty waters." In the Vedic hymns, running through fifty pages of Prof. Timothy Wwight's great book, "The Ancient Classics," I find the horse is mentioned in the supernatural control of earth, air, and the heavens. Here is a specimen quotation:

> Oh Rudras, friends of the golden chariot, come hither for our welfare, possessed of good horses and chariots, penetrating the clouds, shaking down the rain from the sky; red horses and faultless, noble by birth, golden breasted. Oh, oh, Maruts, you have given us wealth of horses, chariots, and heroes; golden wealth.

In the wonderful religion of Buddha, the first great teacher and prophet of the Golden Rule, the horse has a conspicuous and ever-abiding place. According to Prof. Ephephanius Wilson, in his fascinating book, the "Life of Buddha," the great Buddhist prophet taught the perfect life of virtue, temperance, morality, peace, and brotherly love at least 800 years before Christ. In fact, Buddha is the first great philosopher of human destiny—immortality—as we now understand soul life. And after the lapse of over twenty-five centuries Buddhism still stands first among the four great religions in the number of its devotees. In the life of Buddha as translated from the Chinese into English by Prof. Samuel Beal, Buddha was the world's first great teacher of the true life. Like the only Christ, Buddha was sorely tempted to abandon the path of virtue and sobriety, but he was not tempted by a personal devil, but by the spirits of evil in the guise of bewitching nymphs and, according to all the books on Buddhism, it was the horse that carried Buddha away from temptation to a rarer air and the calm delights of flower-embowered gardens. The temptation of Buddha forms a most delicious chapter; first translated from the ancient Sanskrit language into Chinese by the great Chinese scholar, Dhar Maraksha, and from Chinese into English by Prof. Samuel Beal:

> Dancing women gathered about the Buddha; around his straight and handsome form. Their half-clad forms bent in ungainly attitudes; pillowed on their neighbor's lap, their hands and feet entwined together, their bodies lying in wild disorder; their hearts so light and gay, their forms so plump, their looks so bright. But the prince (Buddha) stood unmoved by his horse; his milk-white horse—unmoved. And now he said, "I leave this false society. I will mount my horse and ride swiftly to the deathless city. My heart is fixed beyond all change." The Devas gave spiritual strength, and the prince (Buddha) mounted the gallant steed, fitted with all his jeweled trappings for a rider.

All the above is supposed to have happened over 2,500 years ago. And yet what turf writer of today can give a more dramatic sketch of the high-mettled horse than this? Here let me point a potent moral to adorn this dizzy, divinized history of the escape from temptation of the world's first great prophet.

The Horse Saved Buddha.

Was it not the horse that saved Buddha, and carried him away from the environment of evil? Have we not quoted enough of the history of the pagan classics to prove that for a thousand years of the brightest and best civilization known to the pagan world the horse was the divinely equipped motor of supernatural power? And have we not shown that in the most witching civilization of the ancient Orient the horse was the chosen instrument of the first great prophet of moral ethics to escape from evil thoughts and evil ways into the rarer region of a divinely appointed life? And in view of all this, have we not the basis of true moral judgment in the claim that the horse, in the evolution of all civilizations, has been always regarded as more than an animal? And is he not indissolubly linked in mythology, poetry, and sculpture with the great prophets, heroes, and the divine idols of the world?

A Parting Word.

As a parting word, let me voice the universal opinion of the horsemen and breeders of the United States. They are not asking any advice or aid from the Federal Government. All they ask is to be allowed to do business free from the cruel handicap of restrictive and unjust legislation. Let us aim all present and future legislation against the reign of prize fighting and all other brutal and degrading games, and give to the horse and his master, man, a chance to elevate the spirit and wholesome moral tone of the outdoor sports and pastimes of the American people.

JOE MARKEY'S TRIBUTE TO BEACHEY.

Last Monday morning, when I opened my daily newspaper, the sad intelligence of Lincoln Beachey's fatal accident in San Francisco stared at me from the headlines. During the season of 1914 I became very well acquainted with the "air king" when he was making flights at the Iowa and Wisconsin state fairs. He was a thorough gentleman, modest, refined, quiet, and not at all spoiled by the fame that he had acquired. He sat with me and chatted between his flights at the places named, stating that he wanted to keep away from the mob of people who were ever following him. To him the hero-worship to which he was constantly subjected was most unpleasant, the women, particularly, showering him with their unwelcome attentions.

The first question everyone asked him almost invariably was, "Aren't you afraid to do those desperate things?" His stereotyped reply was: "If I were afraid I wouldn't be doing them."

Beachy had absolute confidence in himself and knew no such thing as fear. I recall one of his flights on a very windy day. It was his custom to pass through any bank of clouds accessible, and on this occasion he went out of sight behind a dark and angry looking black one. When he emerged I noted that the biplane was swerving from side to side, as if he had lost control of it. On reaching the ground I saw that he was shivering, and mistook it for nervousness. But he explained that he had struck a strata of fierce, cold wind and that the temperature must have been at least 45 degrees lower than on the ground.

Beachey was truly an artist with an air-ship, and not even the most daring Frenchmen could vie with him. While ordinary aviators have, of late, failed to attract any attention, Beachey's exhibitions always thrilled. He received $1,000 per day and was worth the money as an attraction.

Incidentally I may say that an article recently printed states that out of thirty-eight aviators who flew in Chicago during the big aerial tournament held on the Lake Front two years ago, only seven are now alive, and five of these retired before death took them. Lincoln Beachey was a nephew of Clem Beachey, Sr., and a cousin of Fred and the late Clem Beachey, Jr., all so well known to Review readers.—Horse Review.

Ben R., in the stable of Will DeRyder, is a full brother to the pacing mare Gracie R. that took a record of 2:10¼ at Milwaukee in 1910, being by Demonio and out of Hannah by Le Grand, second dam the great producer Hannah Price by Arthurton.

NOTES and NEWS

The Stanford-Occident Futurity No. 1 for foals of mares covered in 1914 closes Thursday, April first.

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Colleen, Homer Rutherford's Charley D.—Cricket pacer, unbelted a mile last week in 2:16, last half in 1:03¾ and the quarter in :30¼.

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In answer to a recent inquiry, Ava J. 2:28 by Zombro 2:11 is not registered unless in Vol. 20, not yet published. Her dam is Ventura by Secretary.

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A newcomer to the stable of Al Schwartz is the two-year-old chestnut filly by Wm. Harold, dam by Welcome, owned by L. A. Bangs of Alameda. She is a trotter and has some stake engagements.

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Henry Smith has recently received for training the bay horse Ulatis by Bon Voyage 2:08, dam by Demonio. He is the property of C. H. Uhl of Vacaville, owner also of the good pacer Solano Boy 2:07.

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Tim Sexton put in his customary appearance at Pleasanton Saturday for a few rides behind Future Tramp, and later in the day had the pleasure of seeing him trot a nice mile around seventeen for Henry Smith.

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The Montana trotters in the Childs stable are doing nicely, R. C. H. having gone the route a bit below twenty, while the brown gelding by Spokane, whose education is as yet not extensive, has turned a quarter in :32.

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William Duncan of Colusa has recently sent to Millard Sanders for development a five-year-old pacing gelding by Clarence Wilkes. The lad is a nice acting, pleasing going fellow and has had some previous handling, working last year in 2:18.

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Merry Widow 2:03¾ by Red Pac 2:16¾ has lost her foal to the cover of Joe Patchen II 2:03¼, foaling a dead colt on March tenth, some days in advance of her time. Her yearling by Vernon McKinney 2:01½ is growing nicely, and instead of being a born pacer as would naturally be expected has so far shown no inclination to do anything at all but trot.

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Frank Anderson of Portland, owner of Imbro 2:12½ and Jim Hill 2:09¼, the pair of pacers raced last year over northwestern tracks by Marvin Childs and present members of the Childs stable, arrived at Pleasanton Saturday night and has been one of the most interested of railbirds this week. He will spend quite a bit of his time in this vicinity for the next few months and will "be there with the bells on" when Starter Updegraff calls 'em in June.

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Peter McCormick 2:08¾ will probably be the heaviest staked trotter in the country this season, as he will be in all the main events for his kind here in San Francisco, and is being entered in all the Grand Circuit classics to which he is eligible. He is taking his work in great shape at Pleasanton at present, and if he stands up there is no trotter eligible to the 2:10 class that has any license to shut him out.

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In the name of Arden Farms, W. Averell Harriman, son of the late E. H. Harriman, has donated a gold trophy costing $500 to be given to the driver of the first horse that lowers the record for trotting or pacing on a half-mile track at Goshen, N. Y. The present record is 2:02¾. Uhlan set this mark for trotters at the Goshen meeting in 1911, and Directum I put it in the same notch for pacers on the same track two years later. Mr. Harriman, like his father, is a devoted lover of the light harness horse and a steadfast supporter of the meetings held at Goshen.—Horse World.

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Thirteen record trotters and ten pacers are working at the Overland, including Braden Direct p. 2:01½, Waynetta, Pass All 2:12½, Mary Louise 2:11¼ and a good field of green horses. At Pueblo, Dr. A. J. Monahan has seven green ones at work. W. W. Gilbert has Limited p. 2:11¼. At Greeley, A. L. Camp is training Espier p. 2:13¼, Lacey Hubbet 2:17¼, and the promising green horse King Rocket. Ray Luper is working Easterdale p. 2:20 and a green one. D. D. Luper expects to go through the Colorado circuit this year with Hallie Wilkes p. 2:14¾. At Fort Collins, Bert Harris has Hal Collins p. 2:12¼, and will take on some green ones. Russel & Haymaker have several young things that are going to be put into training for the circuit. At Loveland, Dr. Williamson has a Baron Direct and an Airdale that he is working. Longmont also has its share of track horses. David Eisele has Lewis E. p. 2:13¼. W. H. Rothrock has Montezuma p. 2:22¾ and W. H. Crandall has Aelse Weaver p. 2:24¾ and Tony C. p. 2:27. Other towns around the state are making quite a line up for a pretty good racing season.—Field and Farm.

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Entries for the class races at both meetings to be held in connection with the P.-P. I. E.—June 5 to 19 and October 30 to November 13—close NEXT THURSDAY, APRIL FIRST.

Remember that ten dollar payment next Thursday, April first, on two-year-olds entered in Breeders Futurity No. Thirteen. The two-year-old divisions will be raced this fall at the P.-P. I. E.

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G. P. Machado, who trains for George Giannini of the San Francisco Driving Club, is educating a nice going trotting mare of his own, an eight-year-old daughter of Nutwood Wilkes.

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The Petaluma Driving Club is making an effort to get control of the track at that city, in which case, if successful, they will proceed to put it in condition and hold a number of matinee and special events during the season.

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The passage of the pari-mutuel bill through both houses of the Arizona legislature recently made things look promising in that state until about the middle of this week, when Governor Hunt vetoed the proceedings. Better luck next time.

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P. J. Chalmers of Stockton, carrying an arm in a sling as a result of a kick from a gasoline mule, occupied a seat in the stand at Pleasanton last Saturday and watched his pacing mares Zorene 2:10¼ and Trix McAdrian 2:23¾ do some nice work for this season of the year, the former lass going the route in 2:13, with the last quarter in :31.

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Hi Hogoboom and Charley Johnson have each consigned some good racing and breeding material to the Woodland Stock Farm sale, to be held April 15. A number of other high class consignments are promised and buyers will find plenty there for them. Wm. Higginbottom will cry the sale, which means you will pay for what you get, all right.

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A recent letter from Will Durfee brings the pleasing information that Virginia Barnette is repeating and in a few days will be entirely recovered from her recent accident. This seems almost a little too good to be true, as trotters of the class of Virginia Barnette are usually very severe sufferers from slight accidents that would leave an ordinary plug absolutely unscathed. However, we never caught William in many mistakes, and here's hoping he is right this time, as usual.

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The Nevada Racing Commission has been duly organized and consists of "Charles Boots of Franktown, Nev.," chairman, L. Henderson of Elko and W. H. Moffat of Reno. The regulations under which racing is to be conducted, commencing at Reno some time in July, are largely those of the Kentucky Racing Commission, with the important exceptions that two-year-olds will not be allowed to race prior to May first of their year, and that entries will be received from all horses, whether recorded as thoroughbreds or not.

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E. M. Doyle of this city purchased last Saturday from Marvin Childs the four-year-old bay filly Valeen M. (2) 2:26, by Bonaday 2:11½, dam Diabella C. 2:23½ by Diablo 2:09¼, grandam Lady Lemo (dam of two) by Memo, sire of the dam of Charley D. 2:06¼, etc. This lass holds the Oregon half-mile track record for two-year-old trotters and was second in a number of two- and three-year-old races to that other good Bonaday trotter Bonnieola (3) 2:22. Mr. Doyle will race her in the matinees of the California Driving Club and may start her in some professional events as well, as she promises to make a right good trotter.

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Phil S. Kell, who for many years has published the Spirit of the West at Des Moines and built up that publication from nothing to a firmly established position, has contracted to sell the paper and give possession on April first. Mr. Kell's family have been residents of Palo Alto and San Jose for some time and he expects to join them early in May and spend the next several months in this section—the betting being odds on that he will decide to remain here and call it home, as have some twenty thousand other Iowans. He will be one of the eager spectators at the June meeting and California horsemen will extend him a cordial welcome and wish him no worse luck than long life in their midst.

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From present indications it looks like Charley DeRyder made a most excellent move last fall when he switched Zomblack over to the pace, as the black son of Zombro 2:11 and Madeline Marshall by Demonio is "looming large" as a green one at that way of going. Some days ago he worked a half with Frank Perry in 1:03¼, and on Tuesday morning of this week, in company with a runner, turned the Pleasanton track in 2:10, going to the half in 1:07 and to the three-quarters in 1:40. The last quarter in a flat two-minute gait looked as easy for him as the balance of the mile, and as he has a better chance than ever of staying sound his future looks bright. As a three-year-old he had a raft of speed at the trot, having worked the Libertyville track in 2:08¾, but in order to hold that way of going had to carry a considerable toe and lots of weight, resulting in leg trouble as a matter of course. DeRyder removed the surplus toe, grew him a fair heel, and a good rest did the balance of the trick. The lad has always wanted to pace and took to it like a duck to water. His legs have not suffered a particle since the switch, and if he comes on in the future like he has in the last few months he will be a whole horse as a pacer.

In making up your exposition program of entries next week don't overlook the fact that the Stanford-Occident Futurity No. 1 closes the same day, Thursday, April 1, and that a ten dollar payment is due on two-year-olds nominated in the Breeders Futurity No. 13.

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President Dan Hoffman of the California Driving Club visited Pleasanton last Saturday in company with Shorty Roberts of the Sea Breeze and Ernie Doyle. Friends "staked" Daniel to a mount or so during the morning's work and "the only" put in a great day, enjoying especially the ride behind Nuristo 2:10¼ in company with Charley Spencer and The Proof.

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Charley Spencer sprung a good looking pacer at Pleasanton last week in Mona Ansel, by Monacrat, dam Decoratia by Prince Ansel. The lad paced the big oval in 2:17¼ with the last quarter in :30¼ and Charley evidently has him at a point where he can rate him as he pleases as he stepped the first and last eighths in just the same notch—fifteen seconds flat.

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The San Francisco 2:07¾ yearlings at the recent sales in the east have made that family look pretty good on the market, with prices from $2,000 to $3,200, and at the Woodland Stock Farm sale next month Californians will have a chance to bid on a San Francisco mare that is bred right, being out of the dam of Bodaker 2:13. The lass is six years old, sound, a real trotter, and is consigned by E. A. Swaby of Dixon. Local San Franciscos are scarce and this one ought to be in demand.

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Come on, you matinee men, the season is here—in spots, anyway. Riverside "pulled a good one" on St. Patrick's day and Princess Louise trotted one heat for George Nugent in 2:10¾, six seconds faster than her winrace record. It's a half-mile track at that. Of course, this wouldn't be much of a mile for this season in a climatic paradise like Chicago, but it is fair for Southern California. Incidentally, Princess Louise looms up like a new 2:10 trotter for Del Coronado 2:09½.

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A report has been current this week that Colonel Jim Thompson has had the misfortune to lose by death the trotting mare Zombrene S., that had trialed last year in 2:16¾. The International 1:55 Stable at Pleasanton also had a very sick filly, their candidate for the two-year-old trots this season, and as Dr. Masoero held forth little hope for her the lass is probably gone by this time. There has been very little sickness among horses this winter, and both cases mentioned above could be traced to the often unavoidable shipping diseases.

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V. L. and Lawrence Shuler added a California trotter to their stable last week, purchasing from Henry Smith the bay gelding John Gwynne 2:11½, for which Colonel Kirkpatrick paid a couple of thousand dollars about two years ago. John Gwynne was a very consistent trotter the year he was raced, being second to Maymack in a number of heats and making but two or three breaks in his career. He has had a good rest and is big and husky, racing sound and possessed of a lot of speed. Mr. Shuler has worked him over a bit, very beneficially, and after coming through the stretch the other day in thirty-two seconds remarked that before long he could drive him a quarter "right fast." McMyrtle, his sire, is an excellently bred stallion, being a son of McKinney 2:11¼ and Myrtledale by Iran Alto 2:12¼, second dam Nettie Nutwood by Nutwood 2:18¾; his dam was a daughter of Secretary 28378, who was by Director out of a Volunteer mare, so that he carries some of the very best of trotting blood.

PLENTY OF RACING ON CANADIAN PRAIRIES.

With the Winnipeg exhibition canceled for 1915, considerable apprehension has been felt in some quarters concerning the course that would be taken by the prairie cities to the westward of the metropolis, and we take a great deal of satisfaction in circulating the information that racing in that section will be held as usual for a period of nine weeks, as follows:

Edmonton, May 22 to 25, W. J. Stark, Mgr.
Regina, June 23 to 25, J. C. Currie, Sec.
Calgary, June 30 to July 7, E. L. Richardson, Mgr.
Moosejaw, July 10, 12, 13, W. A. Munns, Sec.
Brandon, July 19 to 24, W. I. Smale, Mgr.
Regina, July 26 to 31, D. T. Elderkin, Mgr.
Saskatoon, Aug. 2 to 7, C. D. Fisher, Mgr.
Edmonton, Aug. 9 to 14, W. J. Stark, Mgr.
Red Deer, Aug. 17 to 20, Jas. Mann, Mgr.

Complete programs of both early and late closing purses will be put on at each of the above meetings, so that campaigning horsemen with good stables may be assured of one or two starts each week straight through the circuit, which is followed by almost all the major meetings on this side of the line, our Canadian cousins getting their racing almost finished when ours is scarcely well started. They always race under the most liberal plans, betting is good and the people are better, so "there's a reason" for the growing popularity of the prairie tracks with American horsemen.

Programs and full particulars may be obtained from any of the officials mentioned herein, or from E. L. Richardson, Circuit Secretary, Calgary.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY AT RIVERSIDE.

ROBERT A. SMITH, Correspondent.

Riverside, Cal., Mch. 17, 1915.

Whew! 2:10¾ by trotters in a race on a half-mile track in March! I will spell it, so you will know the figures don't lie—two ten and three-quarters. How many are there who will read this, ever saw a mile trotted that fast over a half-mile track at any time of the year? I am fully aware that faster miles have been trotted, but their infrequency is marked. I have been deeply interested in harness racing for years, have attended many half-mile track meetings, but I have never, heretofore, personally seen that fast a mile by a trotter on a twice-around.

Horsemen in attendance at the St. Patrick's day matinee given by the Riverside Driving Club at Riverside, Cal., stood aghast at the unexpected performance of the thirteen-year-old matron Princess Louise 2:16¼ by Del Coronado 2:09½, and the four-year-old debutante Ulo Tolus 2:29¼ by Pactolus 2:12¾, when they trotted the first heat in the free for all, Louise winning in 2:10¾. Almost all the trotters that have beaten that time on a small oval had previously acquired very much faster records on mile tracks, and only on two occasions last year was there trotted a faster mile under similar conditions, Henrietta C. 2:07¼ and Ilo Tolus 2:09 (full sister to the contestant in today's race) jointly holding the 1914 season's record of 2:09. I am of the opinion that today's performance constitutes a world's record for a thirteen-year-old trotter on a half-mile track.

Princess Louise and Ulo Tolus answered the marshal's call for the free for all trot. At the word Folk stepped his young mare away very fast around the turn, with Nugent trailing, these positions being maintained to the half in 1:04¾, the older mare's nose right up against Folk's back. Before the head of the stretch was reached, Nugent pulled out with a tremendous rush, winning the heat in 2:10¾; Folk realizing he was beaten eased up on his mare before reaching the wire. The tactics were reversed in the second heat when Folk nodded for the word, a length back, and dropping behind Louise, both loafed over to the half in 1:10½; on the turn the leader began stepping like a free-for-aller with the daughter of Pactolus "hot on her trail"; when they straightened into the stretch Folk pulled out and the battle was on, the Tolus mare gained inch by inch, got her nose to the leader's saddle, twenty-five yards from the wire, but the Princess would not be denied and won the heat and race in 2:15½, with the last half in 1:05.

In the 2:30 mixed three pacers and two trotters started, the result of the race indicating that the association was endeavoring to stage a novelty, two races in one, with the pacers in front and the trotters in the rear. After the "thrill" of the finish of the pacers, along came Ben Nutwood and Handsome Harry in a race on their own account. The pleadings and supplications of driver Armsted, in which he entreated Handsome Harry to "go on, Handsome," could be heard echoing through the grand stand, when Harry was doing his best on the back stretch. Jane Lou won the first heat, while G. H. Judd, of Klamath 2:07½ fame, kept Caroline Custer in the lead the next two, winning handily.

Hi Yu proved the best of the 2:25 class trotters, taking the lead at the word in each heat, although she gave all she had at the finish of the second heat when Larry K. came fast, Hi Yu jupst winning at the wire. In the special hobble race Judd put over another winner in the bay-mare Maidie by Silver Coin 2:10, beating Arlie L., The Pig and Nancy Lovelace in straight heats. The summary of the day:

2:30 mixed:

Caroline Custer, s m, p, by Ed Custer 2:12¾ (Judd)	2	1	1
Jane Lou, bl m, p, by Kinney Lou 2:07¾ (Gatch)	1	2	2
Sunny Jim, b g, p, by Zolock 2:05¼ (Gill)	3	3	3
Handsome Harry, b g, tr, by Potrero (Armstead)	5	5	4
Ben Nutwood, s g, tr (French)	4	4	dr

Time—2:24, 2:22, 2:26.

2:25 trot:

Hi Yu, b m by On Stanley (Dillon)	1	1
Larry K., b g by Larry McKinney (Nugent)	3	2
On Conn, b s by On Stanley (Padget)	2	3

Time—2:24, 2:22.

Free-for-all trot:

Princess Louise, b m by Del Coronado 2:09½ (Nugent)	1	1
Ulo Tolus, b m by Pactolus 2:12¾ (Folk)	2	2

Time—2:10¾, 2:15½.

Special hobbled pace:

Maidie, b m by Silver Coin 2:10 (Judd)	1	1
Arlie L., b g by Klatawah 2:05½ (Nugent)	2	2
The Pig, b m by Morris A (June)	3	3
Nancy Lovelace, bl m by Lovelace (Donohue)	4	4

Time—2:23, 2:20½.

Sweet Hallie (dam of Hallie's Star 2:24¾) has been booked to Joe Patchen II 2:03¼ by A. Edstrom of Fruitvale. Hallie's Star, now a racy looking five-year-old, is in the stable of Bert Webster at Pleasanton and Mr. Edstrom is much pleased with the way he is coming along. He is a different type from most of the Star Pointers in California—not so large or sluggish, as he is of medium size, clean built and snappy looking.

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Tango, the three-year-old son of Lijero and Paprika by Oro Belmont that Ed Parker is working at Pleasanton, keeps on improving right along and worked Tuesday in 2:18¼. Ed claimed last fall that this lad could 2:10 this season, and it looks quite like he might have been right.

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ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

ANIMAL LIFE ON THE MOJAVE DESERT.

(Concluded from last week.)

The next fellow to bring carefully and cautiously into line is Mr. Skunk. Like the above-mentioned animals, he is everywhere and is about as scarce as the wildcats and badgers, still there is a sufficient quantity of them out here for all possible needs, for there is no wildcat, however bad, possessed of the fearless impudence to be found in this insignificant looking little skunk. If he finds your camp in the night, the chances are about even that he will just walk into it and take possession as though he were your brother. He'll rummage over your things and eat what he likes the best. You'd better not raise a stink about it, either, even if you are the biggest, for if you do, you are sure to get beaten at your own game.

I think these skunks are a different species from the ones found along the coast counties, as they are much smaller and have more white on them. A full-grown one only weighs about a pound, although they seem to be considerably larger on account of their long hair. These skunks are the little spotted kind known as civit cats. The large black skunks with stripes down their backs are found on the desert only in a few localities.

I have several times found where some animal had killed and eaten a skunk on the desert. But the sign was always so old that I never could tell what had done it. But I think it had been a wildcat, for one time near Elizabeth Lake I found where a panther had eaten a skunk and if a panther-cat would eat a skunk I think it most likely a wildcat would, too.

And now I believe I am down to the jack-rabbit. I have never seen any place on the desert where there were no jack-rabbits. They can get along very nicely without water. In fact, the best and fattest ones are found away out where they do not get any water at all. Still they will certainly drink if they can get it, and have trails across the desert for many miles leading to their watering places.

Seven years ago this coming summer jack-rabbits suddenly appeared here by countless thousands. They remained here for five or six months and as mysteriously disappeared. Where did they come from? Where did they go to? are questions that have never been answered. I shall answer them in a word, and then make explanations. "They were born and died right here in this locality."

The year the jack-rabbits were so thick I had occasion to be out on the desert almost every day attending my sheep and a long trap line that I had out for coyotes. Jack-rabbits were quite plentiful, but not thick at all. But about the first of March I began to see little fellows. They grew with wonderful rapidity and in two or three weeks were big enough to fry.

I could not see that the old ones became any more plentiful, but the young ones seemed to come up with the weeds. There were all sizes and more and more of them every day.

Now it may be asked, why the coyotes (whose mercy and respect for helpless animal life is only paralleled by the average hunter) did not kill them all for fun. Well, I'll tell you why he did not do so.

Jack-rabbits do not dig holes in the ground for any purpose. But there is a big kangaroo rat out here all over the desert that digs holes large enough for a half-grown jack-rabbit to go into. The female jack-rabbit goes to within a few feet of one of these rat dens and digs out a shallow bed four or five inches deep at the foot of a sage bush with her nest facing the rat holes, and there gives birth to from two to four and five little ones at a time.

Now the little jack-rabbit is born with all his senses active. He is fully haired, has his eyes open and teeth cut, and when three hours old he is a very lively little rabbit. When an enemy comes along the old rabbit sits very quiet till she sees she has been discovered and then jumps and darts off to one side and every little rabbit goes down a rat hole. The coyote could easily dig them out, but he is so lazy that he would rather go hungry than do so; at any rate, they never do.

The little rabbit begins to forage for himself in a day or two, but, however badly he may be surprised, he never forgets the direction to the nearest rat den. By the time he is a month old he is such a big rabbit that he seems to think it would be a disgrace for him to go into a rat hole any more, and will not do it unless he is very closely pressed for his life.

By the middle of that summer the rabbits had collected along the Mojave river by the thousands. They had about finished up everything in the way of vegetation that a rabbit could eat, when a disease began to kill them off much faster than they had come. The complaint was very swift and deadly in its action and must have worked either on the heart or brain, as I have often seen a rabbit tumble over dead without a single kick. However, they would sometimes kick around considerably after falling before they died.

By the beginning of winter the rabbits were nearly all dead, and there are fewer rabbits here now than I ever saw on the desert.

The cottontails fared even worse. Before the rabbit plague came along it was an easy matter to take a gun and get a mess of cottontails any evening. But they seem to have been entirely exterminated. At any rate, I have never seen one since.

There are three distinct species of chipmunks in this locality, and I believe a variety or two. I am not sure that I know their correct scientific names, so rather than make a mistake, I shall simply describe their habits and colors.

The little fellow locally known as the cottontail chipmunk is perhaps the most common and inhabits a wider range of country than either of the others. In color, their backs are a grayish brown, changing to a reddish brown along the sides. The entire under part of the animal is a silvery white. There is a single white stripe along each side, but none on the back. The under side of the tail is also very white and as it is usually held up against the back it is very conspicuous, hence the name—cottontail chipmunk.

There is another one about the same size, but more chubby in form, that very closely resembles a common ground squirrel in color and general appearance, but their ears are very much shorter and the tail not quite so long, and, unlike the other chipmunks, they have no stripes. They are also pretty well distributed over the desert, but are not so common as the white tail species.

The next chipmunk is longer bodied than either of the others, is a light brown color all over, with the belly, breast and throat slightly the lightest. They have rather long tails with but little hair on them and do not hold them up as the others do. They are not very plentiful, and usually stay about mesquite thickets.

All three of the species are rather tame. Still they are very nervous and always seem to be slightly excited about something. Their nervous, watchful disposition is doubtless the result of their having been suddenly pounced upon by carnivorous feeders so long. For, unless they were ever on the alert for danger, they could not survive very long where they have so many enemies.

And now for the true rat and his family. I do not believe I know the whole family, for I occasionally see a new one. But I know there are ten different species at least here on the desert. I have spoiled many films trying to get good pictures of some of them, but can't get them to "show up" in a picture to amount to anything.

The kind of rats that live in cities and on ships are never seen out here. Time and evolution have adapted these fellows to the climate and surroundings in which they flourish, and there are rats, rats everywhere. No place is so barren or far from water but what there are rats. They will eat any kind of vegetation that grows here and thrive on it. They are a great nuisance to the miners and prospectors, and some kind of rat-traps have to be invented if one camps in the same place very long.

The largest rat on the desert is a big kangaroo, about half the size of a ground squirrel. They have very long tails with a bush of hair on the end of it, and a big, bewhiskered, ugly looking head. They are a dove or slate color with white stripes on their haunches and white bellies. When running they go by jumps, and if anything is after them they jump in a zigzag manner which makes it very difficult for anything to catch them. Still they are the principal food for the coyote.

When captured, they soon get tame, and although in their wild state they never get any water only when it rains, they will drink regularly if they can get it. But they do not drink in the manner that most animals do. When water is put into the cage the rat wets his paws in it and then licks them. This he keeps up until he gets enough. Contrary from the custom of any other rat that I ever experimented with, these fellows lie flat on their backs with their feet up while sleeping.

There are several smaller species of kangaroo rats out here. One that has a snow white bush on the end of its tail, and another that has a very black tail. There are also several species of mice here. One kind has a very long nose and small ears. These fellows can gnaw a hole into a box large enough for them to get through in short order. Then there is the common mouse with blue back and white belly, and a small mouse that is brown all over.

There is one species of the kangaroo rat that has a trait that is ludicrous in the extreme, and that is their manner of settling any difference that may arise between them over what they are eating. When one of them decides that another rat's manner of eating is not good form and that he is eating faster and more than any gentleman rat should, he quickly hops in front of the offender and kicks up a small dust. The offender understands at once that his manner of appropriating most of the food for himself has not been appreciated by the other rat, and that an immediate apology and satisfaction is demanded, whereupon they quickly assume positions about one foot apart and commence to jump straight up. They never jump at each other, never try to bite, scratch or kick each other, but continue to jump straight up as high and as fast as they can for perhaps eight or ten times, when one of them breaks and runs. The other rat always runs him for a short distance, but under no circumstances ever overtakes him. To do so, it seems, would be such an unpardonable act that no rat however low would be guilty of it. Evidently the rat that jumped the highest was undoubtedly right. The other was unquestionably wrong. And as there is no appeal taken on cases in rat land, the incident is closed.

GUNSHYNESS.

[By H. T. Payne.]

When the fall shooting season opens and the young sportsman takes his setter or pointer afield for the first time, he may be sadly disappointed, and annoyed to find that it is gunshy. But gunshyness in highly-bred puppies is not at all uncommon, nor should the handler be seriously worried over its appearance in his young dog.

As there are various degrees of gunshyness so also are there various causes for its existence. Generally it is the result of a highly-nervous development, often caused by too close interbreeding. Some times it is the result of some physical malady of which the puppy is suffering at the time. Often gunshyness has been caused by the pure thoughtlessness of the trainer in firing a heavy charge right over the puppy's head, this being the first time he ever heard the report of a gun. The unexpected report of a gun will startle anything, even the confirmed sportsman, should it be too near him. Is it strange, then, that a highly nervous puppy should be startled and badly scared when he hears for the first time this startling noise? I believe more puppies are made gunshy through such thoughtless practices than prove to be gunshy through other or natural causes. It is safe, then, to lay down this rule: Never fire the gun when close to your puppy until you are sure that he is not afraid of the report.

When you first take your puppy into the field, if you are not living where you have had an opportunity to get him used to the report before putting him on game, let him get as far away from you as possible, and while he is busy hunting, fire your gun. Notice the manner in which it attracts his attention. If he is startled in a way that indicates a nervous annoyance, even though very slightly, you must not discharge your gun close to him until all signs of fear have disappeared. If he goes on with his work oblivious to the noise, or throws his head and tail up as if anxious to learn the source and reason for it, just "give him the other barrel" with perfect confidence, but even then shoot two or three times with him reasonably close to you before shooting directly over him.

As there are many reasons for gunshyness so are there many cures and many procedures advocated. I knew one bad case of gunshyness that was promptly cured with a good dose of areca nut. The puppy was suffering from a bad case of worms. Naturally he was debilitated, and being of a high nervous temperament this physical derangement intensified his predisposition to nervous excitement. During a three-days hunt he was chained to the belt of his owner, but made no improvement. I saw that the puppy was suffering with worms and suggested a vermifuge. At first I was laughed at, but finally the medicine was given. He was given a couple of days' rest after this, and to the delight of his owner when taken into the field the morning of the third day after being freed from the worms, he showed no more fear of the gun than if he had been so deaf he couldn't hear the report.

Some puppies are actually afraid of the noise, but gunshyness is not always fear. This is often demonstrated in the dog's plainly-shown love for the gun, and his anxiety to go afield the moment he is shown one. I remember a case where a puppy would almost go into fits when a gun was fired near him, and while he knew the gun made the noise that so disturbed his nerves, the minute he recovered he would come to the gun in his owner's hands and lap it with his tongue. Cases of this kind are really pitiable ones, and the best treatment is to get them used to the gun when they are away from the excitement of the field, and when their nerves are in the most quiet condition possible. This is best done by firing the gun some distance away while they are resting quietly in the kennel or while they are feeding, coming closer each day until their nerves become used to it.

Other cases can be cured in the field, often in one day, by paying no attention to them. Let the dog lie down or hide as he pleases, and go on with your shooting the same as if you had no dog with you. He will be pretty sure to follow you up, getting closer and closer, and finally, becoming used to the noise, will begin to hunt some distance from you. Should he establish a point, go to him and flush his bird, but do not shoot at it unless he is behind you.

The habit which many have of chaining a gunshy dog to their belt and dragging him behind them all day is a bad one, and generally increases the trouble by leading the dog to believe that the irritating report of the gun is a part of his punishment for doing something which he cannot understand. Better leave

him in the shade of some bush until, believing himself deserted, he will crawl out and come sneaking after you.

There is one method of curing gunshyness that I have never known to fail, even in the most confirmed cases with old dogs. It is severe but may be resorted to when others fail. Shut your dog up in some isolated place where he will neither see any person or other dogs. Leave him there for twenty-four hours. Then take his food in one hand and a pistol with blank cartridges in the other. When you reach the door of his place of confinement, fire a shot. Open the door, reaching his food in first, and as you do so fire again. Most likely he will try to hide his head in the farthest corner of the room. If so, close the door and leave him, saying nothing to him, and be sure to carry his food away with you. Leave him alone for another twenty-four hours, and then go through the same performance. Let him have a smell of the food and place it in the middle of the room. If he comes toward it fire your pistol before he reaches it. If he runs back to hide pick up the food and walk out, leaving him for twelve hours more before trying again. Keep this up until he eats while you are firing the pistol over him. From two to four days of this treatment will be found sufficient. He must not be allowed to eat anything, except under the firing of the pistol for the next week. Finally give him nothing to eat for twenty-four hours. Then take him afield and his food with him. Set it down for him and commence firing your gun. If he should refuse to eat through fear of the gun, allow him nothing to eat until the next day and try him again. The second day's trial will rarely be found necessary. Of course you must be careful that your more tender-hearted wife is not slipping something for him to eat into his prison and thus defeating your purpose.

Because your puppy should be gunshy do not think him the less valuable. You are neither training a pit bull terrier nor a bear dog, but a mild dispositioned hunting companion; and the fact that he does not show reckless courage is nothing against him. Have patience and give him a little time. Many of our best field dogs were gunshy puppies.

ARE YOU SURE YOUR GUN FITS YOU?

Realizing the importance of this question, Englishmen have had shooting schools for some time in which were to be found try-guns for fitting purposes, but we Americans have only recently considered the idea. In this country many a trapshooter has been able to break 75 to 85 out of 100 targets for many years, but there he stops. Nine out of ten chances his gun does not fit him.

American shooters have recently decided to make use of the try-gun. They think its use will decrease the number of "misfits." The great influx of men, and even the fair sex, into the Trapshooping Army has brought guns of all sizes and styles into play. John Brown has a gun, which seems to suit him; Bill Jones likes it and buys the same kind. Such purchasing has caused the "misfits."

Star baseball players have their bats and gloves made for their individual use. This is especially true of bats. They have their grip, manner of swing and other individualities noted or measured and the bat made accordingly. So it is with clothes, a 150-pound man couldn't wear the suit a 230-pound man could, and yet at the trapshooting club they often use the same size and style gun.

The first to take an active interest in the try-gun has been the Du Pont Powder Company. Just recently they called their shooter salesmen to the Wilmington office and had Jack Fanning, the world famous trapshooter, who has made a study of the try-gun, explain its use and value to them.

The instructions were given on the grounds of the Du Pont Trapshooting Club, and in the party were D. D. Gross, Kansas City, Mo.; Arthur Killam, St. Louis, Mo.; C. O. LeCompte, Asheville, N. C.; W. D. Standard, Chicago, Ill., and J. E. Dickey, Minneapolis, Minn. All are pictured in the illustrations herewith except Mr. Dickey.

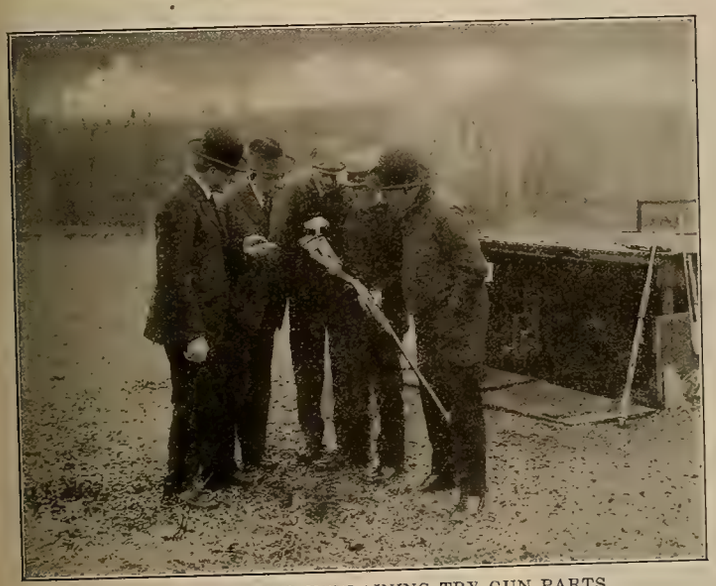
Fanning explained the adjustability of the try-gun as to length of stock, cast-off and drop of comb and heel. After stating that the breadth, height and usual shooting position of the shooter governed his measurements, he took up separately the different parts of a gun that should fit the shooter. First, he measured the length of stock required by resting the butt of the gun in bend of the arm, finding at what length the forefinger comfortably reached the trigger. Then having the shooter take the gun in his natural shooting position, he studied carefully the position of the butt and the comb. He made any necessary adjustments until the butt finally fitted the shooter's shoulder and the heel had the correct drop.

The comb was a harder proposition. The shooter's eye had to be sighted, and attention paid to the way he cheeked the gun. Fanning adjusted the comb several times until it fitted snugly to the shooter's cheek, making sure that it was impossible for the shooter to hide his sighting eye behind the breech of the gun. To note these points, he stood in front of the shooter, making proper adjustments. He also observed whether or not the stock must be cast-off to permit easy sight down the rib. In adjusting for cast-off, he turned the stock to one side, and made a slight alteration in the setting of the comb.

After satisfying himself that the gun was a correct fit for the shooter, he locked the stock with its attached jam screws. This completed the fitting, which had been attentively observed, as the illustrations indicate.

After each of the salesmen had been fitted they shot over the traps, using the try-guns. Each on leaving the club took a try-gun with him.

On all future visits to clubs and other shooting affairs in their territories, these salesmen will be prepared to measure any one who contemplates buying a new gun, or who wants to know just why his old one is not breaking 90% or better.



JACK FANNING EXPLAINING TRY GUN PARTS.



JACK FANNING FITTING A SHOOTER.

CHINESE SHRIMP NETS AGAIN.

The proposed law to again allow the use of Chinese nets by shrimp fishermen, has aroused intense opposition from the ranks of the rod and reel men. After four years' disuse and prohibition of this destructive device, the rodsters are exceedingly averse to a recurrence of former conditions, which entailed the destruction daily of immense quantities of the fry of different food fishes as well as the young of the edible crabs. However that may be, the statement is made by Fish and Game Commission officials that the zone of operations of Chinese shrimp catchers will be confined to southern parts of San Francisco bay, an expanse of water where but few food fish spawn and where at the present time not more than half a dozen market fishing boats operate.

Their Guns Show It.—Let me see a man's rifle and I can tell whether he's a good shot or not. At least I can tell whether he's right in saying that he's a good shot.

No good shot ever keeps a rifle with a dirty or rusty barrel. On the other hand, a poor shot never knows that his rifle is shooting wild.

He just sets down the lucky hits to his credit and forgets all about the times he misses.—C. L. Gilman.

You will find trout creels increased in price this season. It's the war. Our willow baskets came mostly from France. There have been no shipments for this year's demand and the supply in this country is running low. Therefore shop early unless you have a friend from whom you can borrow.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

Fish Lines

The outlook for a most excellent steelhead trout fishing season has not been brighter for many years past. The season will open Thursday, April 1. Plenty of rain and a heavy snowfall the past four months came along at a most favorable time for the trout anglers' opening day's operations.

At present the coast streams, within access of the local anglers' efforts, are running fairly high and clearing up nicely. As a matter of fact, some of the Marin county and San Mateo coast creeks are in shape for fly-fishing today.

Trout are reported to be plentiful in the rivers and creeks. The State Fish and Game Commission has, the past year, stocked the streams more plentifully than during any previous season. A report last week states that both the San Gregorio and Pescadero creeks, far up stream as well as in their tidal lagoons, are alive with trout. The same can be said of Purissima, La Honda and Waddell creeks.

The foregoing favorable indications, of course, apply to the coast waters, even as far south as Santa Barbara, where the headwaters of the Santa Inez are said to be fairly alive with trout. Never in many years years has such a bountiful crop of fish been seen. The heavy storms of last winter thoroughly flushed out and scoured every coast river and the upper tributaries, thus creating deep holes and pools, where the trout have multiplied and matured under the more favorable conditions.

As for the upper tributaries of the Sacramento and other rivers which are fed by the Sierra snows, it is doubtful if these streams will be in shape for several weeks. The warm days have melted the heavy snows on the higher ranges. The snow water has entirely changed conditions. The streams are roiled and high; just how discolored they are is shown by the condition of the upper bay waters.

"Fishing ought to be exceptionally good in all of the streams of Santa Clara county," stated County Fish and Game Warden I. L. Koppel in discussing prospects for the opening of the trout-fishing season. "Water conditions have been ideal for the past two years and all of the creeks have been heavily stocked with rainbow, steelhead and Eastern brook trout.

"Last season we planted 200,000 good-sized healthy fish and we have every reason to believe that most of them were put into the creeks in good condition. Most of the fry were of the steelhead variety, but there were a number of rainbow and about 20,000 Eastern brook trout. The Eastern brook trout do well here."

That anglers have a decided preference for particular fly patterns is not to be questioned—many a day's fine sport on a creek has been all the more pleasing by reason of the attraction of a favorite fly. However that may be, one can not go wrong early in the season on any of our Coast streams with a selection of the following flies: Black gnat, hare's ear quill, English royal coachman, yellow May, March brown, gray hackle and brown hackle. If these are not effective none will be.

If spoon fishing is in order the 00, silver or copper, or silver and copper, according to the sunshine and shade along the creek, will do the trick.

Bait conditions prevailing, the fat angle-worm is always in order. Better still is fresh steelhead roe. Prepared salmon roe is also O. K.; the latter comes in small tins and is rather sticky. To toughen the eggs and get rid of the viscid matter simply roll the eggs in corn starch and then you can handle them much more satisfactorily. Another good bait to have along is cooked shrimps. Take off the shell and just tip the end of your hook or fly.

At the Traps

Interstate Association Trophies, 1915—The halftone on this page is Plate No. 3, illustrating the $12 classification of trophies which can be selected by clubs holding registered tournaments this year, as follows:

C 41 Sterling Silver Traveling Set—Military Brush, Hat Brush, Cloth Brush and Comb—cased.

C 42 Sterling Silver Cigarette Case—Double Row.

C 43 Sterling Silver and Cut Glass Cocktail Shaker, 8½ inches high.

C 44 Sterling Silver Table Cigarette Box—50 Cigarettes.

C 45 Sterling Silver Bread Tray, 11¾ inches ling.

C 46 Sterling Silver Flower Vase, 12 inches high.

C 47 Sterling Silver Love Cup—on base, 6½ inches high.

C 48 Sterling Silver Water Pitcher, 9½ inches high.

C 49 Sterling Silver Bon-Bon Cake Basket, 7½ inches in diameter.

C 50 Sterling Silver Cut-Glass Decanter, 7¾ inches high.

C 51 Sterling Silver Dessert Forks—cased.

C 52 6 Sterling Silver Dessert Spoons—cased.

C 53 12 Sterling Silver Tea Spoons—cased.

C 54 Sterling Silver Flask with Cup—Leather-Covered, 7¾ inches high.

C 55 Sterling Silver Bowl, 9 inches in diameter.

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Live Bird Notes.—At a recent meeting of the Californi Wing Shooting Club, the following officers were elected: W. W. Terrill, president; Captain A. W. DuBray, vice-president; C. C. Nauman, secretary-treasurer; Toney Prior, Clarence A. Haight and Ed L. Schultz, directors. The club will hold regular shoots the first Sunday of each month up to and including September.

The programme calls for a medal race at twelve birds, distance handicaps, three high gun trophies for the season, and also a club purse match at twelve birds, high guns, one money for every four entries, distance handicaps. The club members shoot under a sliding handicap system—straight scores put a contestant back a yard and two misses give him a yard nearer the traps at the next monthly shoot.

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Golden Gate Shoot.—George Anderson of the San Jose Blue Rock Club won the Fred Gilbert cup trophy in the feature event of the shoot, March 21 at the West Alameda ground. His score of 98 out of 100 birds, shot from the 16-yard mark—24, 25, 24 and 25—is the top score so far in a Gilbert shoot held on the Coast. Toney Prior of this city was given a 22-yard handicap and could only land in second place with runs of 23, 23, 24 and 23, for a total of 93. A. G. Flickinger, the Vallejo crack shot, 20 yards, emerged from the fray with but 86 out of 100. He won the Gilbert shoot at San Jose a week previous, with a tie score of 93 and 92, after four shoot-off arguments. F. Downs of San Jose, 20 yards, ran four frames for 23, 23, 21 and 23—93 in all. Tom Wilks, who scored a straight 50 in the regular club schedule, could only get a total of 78 from the 18-yard peg. Dick Reed's 92 from 20 yards rise was a creditable showing.

The regular club program called for two 20 and a 10-bird shoot. G. Anderson, Edgar Forster and T. Wilks each broke 20 straight in the first event, the club trophy match. Toney Prior won the second 20-bird match, the challenge cup event. Dick Reed, a trade representative, and Wilks, a visiting shooter, also blotted out 20 clay pigeons. The third event was the "grub" shoot between General Lancaster's Uhlans and Colonel Haight's light infantry. The uhlan team won, the total scores, at ten birds per man, were 192 to 188. The scores for the day follow:

Club program—Event 1, cup trophy match, four classes, 20 birds in 10 bird frames. Event 2, challenge trophy match, 20 birds in 10 bird frames. Event 3, "grub" shoot—two teams, 10 birds per man:

Events—	1			2			3		
Birds—	10	10	Tt'l	10	10	Tt'l	10	—	
F. D. Adams	6	5	11	10	9	19	6	—	36
A. G. Flickinger	10	9	19	8	10	18	9	—	46
C. A. Haight*	7	7	14	10	9	19	8	—	41
H. Stelling	10	9	19	9	10	19	8	—	46
O. N. Jones	5	4	9	5	2	7	6	—	22
H. C. Peet	8	7	15	10	9	19	5	—	39
G. Anderson	10	10	20	10	9	19	9	—	48
A. S. Wickersham	8	9	17	9	10	19	10	—	46
Toney Prior	10	9	19	10	10	20	10	—	49
Miss Meyers	6	4	10	1	7	8	5	—	23
C. E. Cutter	3	5	8	3	7	10	7	—	25
Dr. G. L. Eaton	8	4	12	8	9	17	8	—	37
H. R. Phinney	8	9	17	9	9	18	9	—	47
F. K. Burnham	9	10	19	9	10	19	9	—	47
Dick Reed*	9	6	15	10	10	20	10	—	45
F. Webster	8	6	14	6	8	14	6	—	34
C. H. Lancaster	9	5	14	10	9	19	10	—	43
F. Willet	9	10	19	9	10	19	10	—	48
A. H. Beetham	6	4	10	9	8	17	8	—	35
Capt. DuBray*	8	8	16	10	7	17	9	—	42
H. P. Jacobsen	8	8	16	8	4	12	9	—	37
L. O. Lodge	5	4	9	9	9	18	8	—	35
C. H. Knight*	10	9	19	10	8	18	9	—	46
"Pop" Merrill	10	8	18	10	9	19	9	—	46
L. Hawxhurst*	8	7	15	9	9	18	10	—	43
H. D. Swales	7	8	15	7	10	17	8	—	40
T. D. Riley	7	9	16	10	9	19	9	—	44
W. H Price	8	10	18	7	9	16	9	—	43
Dr. E. Topham	8	3	11	10	9	19	—	—	30
S. Hansen	7	6	13	7	7	14	7	—	34
R. E. McGill	8	8	16	9	10	19	9	—	44
A. L. Speetzen	4	4	8	7	7	14	9	—	31
Tom Wilks	10	10	20	10	10	20	10	—	50
T. W. Parsons	5	8	13	8	9	17	7	—	37
E. F. Forster	10	10	20	9	10	19	10	—	49
W. A. Robertson*	8	9	17	10	8	18	9	—	44
E. L. Forster	8	5	13	9	8	17	5	—	35
W. H. Ashcroft	8	10	18	7	8	15	8	—	41
E. H. Forestier	7	5	12	5	9	14	8	—	34
C. Westerfeld	7	6	13	7	8	15	8	—	36
B. Worthen	8	9	17	8	10	18	9	—	44
H. B. Vallejo	9	10	19	10	9	19	10	—	48
G. Thomas	8	8	16	9	9	18	10	—	44
L. L. Lockhart	10	4	14	8	6	14	—	—	28
P. Swenson	—	12	12	—	12	12	3	—	27
J. H. Jones	—	17	17	—	17	17	9	—	43
H. Hawks	—	16	16	—	16	16	8	—	40
F. Downs	—	—	—	—	—	—	8	—	8
C. Anderson	—	—	—	—	—	—	10	—	10

*Pros.

Fred Gilbert cup trophy shoot, 100 targets, distance handicaps from 16 to 22 yards—

	Yds	25	25	25	25	—	100
G. Anderson	16	24	25	24	25	—	98
Peet	16	19	16	19	19	—	73
E. Marsh	16	23	22	23	19	—	87
F. Marsh	16	13	19	18	19	—	69
Dr. Eaton	16	19	20	21	15	—	75
Downs	20	23	23	21	23	—	90
Haight*	20	20	21	23	18	—	82
Reed*	20	21	24	25	22	—	92
Swales	20	21	19	22	20	—	82
Worthen	20	23	20	21	20	—	84
Burnham	18	22	24	20	20	—	86
Riley	18	21	20	23	19	—	83
Jacobsen	18	21	21	21	23	—	86
Phinney	18	20	20	23	21	—	84
C. Anderson	18	21	21	20	20	—	82
Webster	17	19	19	20	18	—	76
Thomas	17	23	24	20	22	—	89
L. A. Stemfeldt	17	19	22	22	21	—	84
Hawxhurst*	20	20	18	25	20	—	83
Prior	22	23	23	24	23	—	93
Lancaster	20	23	22	22	20	—	87
Knight*	20	23	18	24	23	—	88



Hawks	17	17	18	16	19	—	69
Ashcroft	16	20	21	17	17	—	75
Westerfeld	16	19	16	19	20	—	74
Willet	16	22	22	25	18	—	87
Johnson	18	—	19	24	24	—	67
Flickinger	22	23	22	21	20	—	86
Wilks	18	20	20	20	18	—	78
Stelling	18	23	20	19	15	—	77

The Golden Gaters' programme for this season calls for three regular events, a total of 50 targets. Event 1, 20 birds, class shooting, four cups for four classes—champion, 1st, 2nd and 3rd. Best five scores of the season to count. Event 2, 10 birds, grub shoot, between two teams. Event 3, 20 birds, challenge trophy, 16 yards, four classes, four cups. Winners of first shoot subject to immediate challenge, only two challenges for each shoot.

Runs of 15 and 10 straight will receive club gold or silver bars, provided the shooter declares his intention to shoot for bars.

A Du Pont silver spoon has been hung up for the novice shooter who shows greatest improvement during the season.

The club grounds will be open to shooters each Saturday and Sunday until September 19th. The regular club shoots will take place the third Sunday of each month.

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Citrus Belt Puffs.—At the Venice grounds, March 6, forty-one shooters attended the Los Angeles Gun Club shoot. The scores follow:

Event No. 1—50 targets, distance handicap, for a gold watch:

Guy Holohan, 20 yards, broke 48; P. E. Peterson, 16 yards, 47; A. L. Tippitt, 17 yards, 43; H. Pfirrmann, 20 yards, 41; Geo. Melford, 16 yards, 41; S. R. Smith, 18 yards, 40; F. H. Mellus, 20 yards, 40; S. A. Bruner, 17 yards, 40; R. D. Gilbert, 16 yards, 39; S. C. Miller, 16 yards, 37; J. C. Thompson, 17 yards, 37; Wm. Pugh, 18 yards, 36.

Event No. 2—Doubles:

F. H. Mellus shot at 72, broke 64; C. E. Grot, 72—49; G. Holohan, 48—38; S. A. Bruner, 48—38; H. Pfirrman, 48—36; Wm. Pugh, 48—36; E. Hedderley, 48—31; Geo. Melford, 48—30; Capt. Du Bray, 24—16; S. C. Miller, 24—14; A. W. Bruner, 24—13.

Event No. 3—Tower shooting: E. Hedderley, 20 x 25, F. H. Mellus 16x25, Dr. W. R. Manning 10x25, G. Holohan 8x25, S. C. Miller 4x25.

Practice results:

C. M. Wood, shot at 200, broke 162; F. H. Nichols 200—159; F. A. Johnson 175—130; P. E. Peterson 150—116; S. C. Miller 150—81; J. S. Cumming 125—102; C. F. Nichols 125—102; H. M. Hauser 125—60; D. E. Llewellyn 100—85; Tom Bundy 100—76; A. W. Bruner 100—73; W. M. Claypool 100—63; L. E. Loomis 100—63; A. L. Tippitt 75—71; F. H. Mellus 75—69; S. R. Smith 75—65; Guy Holohan 75—65; E. Hedderley 75—64; Geo. Melford 75—61; S. A. Bruner 75—61; H. P. Densel 75—38; H. Pfirrmann 50—49; F. H. Teeple, Sr. 50—44; F. H. Teeple Jr. 50—43; R. D. Gilbert 50—42; A. W Du Bray 50—38; L. Grier 50—36 Wm. Pugh 50—35; C. E. Groat 50—33; B. G. Adams 50—33; E. Scharnikow 50—30; M. D. Towne 50—27; A. E. Loomis 50—27; Fred Kimble 50—24; H. W. Cline 25—21; J. C. Kline 25—19; H. T. Brown 25—18; Mrs. F. Johnson 25—13; G. Steel 25—11; C. Adams 25—9.

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San Diego Traps.—The Pastime Gun Club members turned out in force March 6. Among the old-timers present were Charlie Budd and Tom Parker.

Two big team shoots were the feature events of the day. The scores were:

Tom Parker's team—

Targets—	25	25	21	Bk.
Parker	19	22	17	58
Foster Couts	24	23	21	68
Dodds	21	25	21	67
Halbritter	22	22	20	64
Weisser	24	23	19	66
Team total				323

Archie Julian's team—

Targets	25	25	21	Bk.
Archie Julian	19	24	20	63
Lee Couts	24	21	19	64
Merrill	24	21	20	65
Ervast	23	24	19	66
Marshall	20	24	19	63
Team total				321

Other scores resulted:

Foster Couts, shot at 160, broke 155, Walsh 149—131, Lee Couts 142—129, Barber 135—128, Tom Parker 134—116, Weisser 120—113, Dodds 120—110, Clement 122—108, Halbritter 120—107, Kelley 120—99, Willie Wetzell 120—97, Archie Julian 110—96, Merrill 100—91, Ervast 100—91, Marshall 100—89, Ecker 95—82, Myers 95—72, Hinckley 85—71, Disbrow 95—69, Charlie Budd 70—66, C. Julian 65—55, Burnham 70—46, Cameron 65—45, Peters 65—42, Millison 50—42, Andrews 55—41, Drummond 50—40, Newton 75—38, Dilley 50—36, O'Farrell 90—36, Chappell 50—36, Green 70—33, Sline 50—33, Ouillet 50—30, Lamb 50—22, Northern 25—17, Burkhart 50—11.

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Blue Rocks Tomorrow.—The Exposition City Gun Club will hold the first regular club shoot this season at the Easton trap grounds in San Mateo county tomorrow.

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Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

April 7—Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n Tournament, A. R. Bain, Secretary, Ogden, Utah.

April 10, 11—Newman Blue Rock Club, E. R. Dixon, Secretary, Newman, Cal.

April 12—Owl Rod & Gun Club, Henry Garrison, Secretary, Modesto, Cal.

April 26, 27—Oregon State Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Ore.

May 5—Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n Tournament, A. R. Bain, Secretary, Springville, Utah.

May 12—"T. B." Trap and Gun Club, Lieut. Stephen W. Wallace, Secretary, Las Animas, Colo.

May 14—Pueblo Gun Club, F. S. Rainey, President, Pueblo, Colo.

May 17—Capital City Rod and Gun Club, Mark Siddall, Secretary, Salem, Ore.

May 18, 19—Washington State Tournament, under the auspices of the Seattle Trap Shooters Ass'n, Hugh Fleming, Secretary, Seattle Wash.

May 21, 22—Gem City Gun Club, Max Weick, Secretary, Laramie Wyo.

May 26, 27—Delta County Gun Club, Nick Powell and R. A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

May 29, 30—Utah State Tournament, under the auspices of the Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n, A. R. Bain, Secretary, Salt Lake City.

May 29, 30, 31—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary, San Jose.

June 7, 8, 9—Sportsmen's Ass'n of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Ore.

July 1, 2—Vaucouver Gun Club, C. A. Porter, Secretary, Vancouver, Can.

July 1, 2, 3—Los Angeles Gun Club, Fred H. Teeple, Secretary, Venice, Cal.

July 5—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President, Eureka, Cal.

July 5—Sunrise Gun Club, H. S. Hill, Secretary, Sunrise, Wyo.

July 5—Holbrook Gun Club, J. S. Hulet, Secretary, Holbrook, Ariz.

July 10—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, W. S. Short, Secretary, Chehalis, Wash.

July 12—Rawlins Rod and Gun Club, H. Brietenstein, Secretary, Rawlins, Wyo.

July 19, 20, 21, 22—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary, Tacoma, Wash.

August 10—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

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ALARICH 2:11¼ (Breeder's mark 2:09), trotter, bay gelding with black points, 15.3, handsome, sound, fast and game; trialed at Santa Rosa last season in 2:06¾ and can do it again. Is a first class doer, can race twice a week and is eligible to the 2:13 class trots on mile tracks and to the 2:18 class on half-mile tracks; has shown well on the twice-arounds. Price, $650.00.

HELEN BELLE (2) 2:22½, breeder's record, bay filly, foaled 1912, good gaited, good headed, sound and extremely fast; was taken up absolutely green on Sept. 3 and has developed in a most satisfactory manner, taking her mark in December, since which time she has been an eighth in :16, half in 1:09. Sired by California's greatest sire of colt trotters, CARLOKIN 2:07½. First dam Carolyn C. by Axtell (3) 2:12 (a champion); second dam by Expedition, sire of Bon Voyage 2:08; third dam by Princeps (son of Woodford Mamb.); fourth dam by Hambletonian 10.

Carolyn C. had two minute speed. This great filly is entered and paid up in the Occident stake, the State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A., and Oregon Futurities for 1915. The best buy in California at $1400.

NELLIE Mc,

black mare, trotter, eight years old, racing sound but is blemished; has always trained sound and I believe will continue to do so. Trialed at Sacramento in 2:10½ and has been a half lately in 1:03¾. Is a splendid mannered mare—anyone can drive her anywhere. She races first class, is fast, good headed, good gaited and dead game.

Sired by ZOLOCK 2:05¼, dam by Wilkes Moor, son of Guy Wilkes.

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CARLETA,

bay filly, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ALEXANDRIA, tr. 2:20, by Bon Voyage 2:08; second dam by Oakland Baron 2:09¼; third dam by Allandorf, etc.

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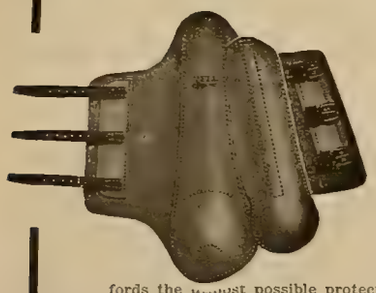
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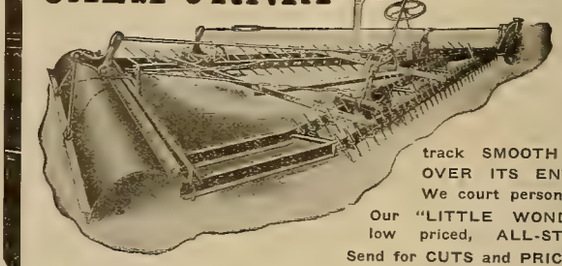
PETER McKLYO (3) 2:12½, the only California-owned son of Peter the Great of an age permitting stud duty, is out of a great-bred young matron by Jay McGregor 2:07¼—Klyo (2) 2:29½; second dam Miss Spears 2:21¾ (dam of 6 including Shakespeare (3) 2:09¾); third dam Medium's Last (dam of 7 including Trampfast (2) 2:14¼); fourth dam Suzanne (dam of 1 and grandam of 10 including Susie J. 2:06½).

This colt is four years old, having obtained his record last season with a very limited amount of work. He came into my hands perfectly green in February, 1914, and developed speed so fast that I had to take his shoes off and jog him for two months barefooted. Being by Peter the Great, the sire of the century, and, as you will notice, out of a daughter of Jay McGregor, another wonderful family of horses, he is one of the best bred young horses in the world and I can truthfully say he is one of the very best individuals that I ever had the pleasure of looking at. He can trot a quarter in 30 seconds, and I am firmly of the opinion that he will trot a mile this fall in 2:06 or better.

Fee, $75 the season with return privilege. Mares pastured at usual rates and accorded best of care, but no responsibility assumed for accidents or escapes. Service fee and pasture bills must be paid before removal of mares. Address for all particulars

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Offers for Service for the Season of 1915

PRINCE ANSEL

CERT. 1062

2, 2:20½ A. T. R. 29220

Sire of

Prince Lot 2:07¾
Joseph Ansel (3) 2:12¾
Lottie Ansel (2) 2:14¼
Laura Rogers 2:11¼
Adansel (3) 2:14½
Arista Ansel (2) 2:18¾, etc.

And the dams of

John Malcolm (2) 2:11½, etc.

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CERT. 1061

2:11¼ A. T. R. 45033

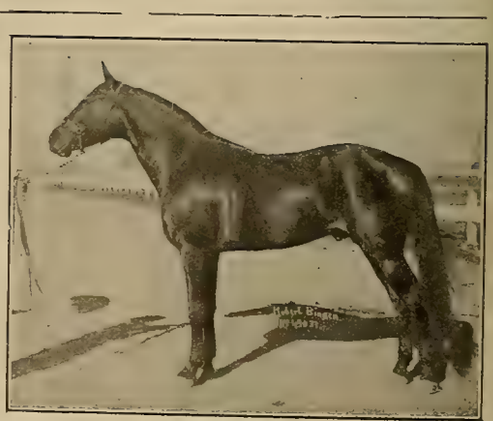
Best Bred Son of

BINGEN 2:06 1-4

Sire of Uhlan 1:58; 14 in 2:10

First dam Episode 2:18 half sister to Peter the Great 2:07¼

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COPA DE ORO 1:59
WINNING PERFORMANCE

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CARLOKIN 2:07 1-2
EXHIBITION MILE 2:05 1-4

Champion Pacing Stallion of the West and Sire of a Champion

Reg. No. 52785. Licensed Pure Bred. Cert. No. 1037
Golden Bay. Height 15.3½. Weight 1160.



Sire of CONTENTION B. (2) 2:24¼, (3) 2:08¼, the latter mark a world's record when made, and but one-quarter of a second removed from present record for three-year-old pacing geldings. Public trial (3) 2:07¼. Also sire of

Chango p. (3).....2:12¼ De Ora (3) 2:17
2-yr.-old record 2:13½. 2-yr.-old record 2:27¼.
Trial (3) .....2:09 Gold Lily p. (2)....2:24½

Patrick de Oro p (3)2:22¼, trial (3) 2:08¼, ½-mi. track

Copa de Oro has been retired to the stud for but a very few years and these are from his first foals. Where can you find a stallion whose get have made an equal showing?

COPA DE ORO is the fastest son of Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ (sire of 8 in 2:10); first dam Atherine 2:16¾ (great brood mare) by Patron 2:14¼, sire of the dams of 7 in 2:10; second dam Athene (dam of 2 trotters, etc.) by Harold 413, sire of Maud S. 2:08¾ and the dams of 5 in 2:10; third dam Minerva (great brood mare) by Pilot Jr. 12, sire of the dams of Maud S. 2:08¾ and 3 others in 2:10, etc. He is one of the handsomest horses in the world, as well as one of the fastest, and is undoubtedly the best bred of all extremely fast pacing sires. From the first I heralded him as the Coast's future great pacing sire, and the performances of his youngsters recorded above certainly show that I had most excellent grounds for that belief.

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Sire of ESPERANZA (3) 2:09, only three-year-old to win every trotting stake for that age on the Pacific coast, and also the following colt performers:

Ethel D. (3).....2:11 Helen Belle (2)....2:22½
Johnny Dugan p (3)2:16 Nicola B. (2).....2:23½
John Warwick (2) 2:17 Santiago (3) 2:24¼
The Lark (3).....2:18½ May Marian p (3)..2:24¼
Carl (2) .....2:19¾ Carlrich p (2) 2:24½
Miss Carlokin p ....2:20 El Carbine (2).....2:27½
Carsto (2) .....2:22½ Eileen C. (3) 2:29
Carlschen (2) .....2:23 Carlos (2) 2:29¼
Fulton G. (2).....2:30

CARLOKIN is the best bred son fo McKinney 2:11¼, foremost among the progenitors of 2:10 speed, being out of that sterling producing matron Carlotta Wilkes (dam of Inferlotta 2:04¾, Mary Dillon 2:06¼, Guy Borden 2:07¼, Carlokin 2:07½, and 6 others in 2:30) by Charley Wilkes 3653; second dam Aspasia (dam of 4) by Alcantara 2:23, sire of the dams of 20 in 2:10; third dam Miss Buchanan (dam of 1) by Clark Chief 89, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10, etc. Carlokin was not only a fast and rugged campaigner, but, point for point, one of the most ideal individuals ever foaled. I chose him from among all the best horses of the country as a prospective great sire, and in 1913-1914 his get won more coast futurities than those of all other sires combined. What more could you ask of them?

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offers for service for the season of 1915 the following stallions:

Joe Patchen II 2:03¼

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 1128.
A. T. R. No. 47491
BEST MONEY WINNING PACER

By JOE PATCHEN 2:01¼, sire of Dan Patch 1:55¼ and 6 others in 2:10.

Dam, Bessie Bonehill 2:05¾ (dam of 2 in 2:10) by Empire Wilkes 2:29¼; second dam Arab Girl (dam of 7) by Crittenden 433, sire of the dams of 6 in 2:10.

Joe Patchen II comes from a long line of famous ancestors and is himself one of the best known and most popular pacers in America, with all the qualities of speed, stamina and individual excellence necessary to the making of a truly great horse—one of the kind you would expect to find after a glance over the array of famous performers owning allegiance to the families from which he comes. He is an excellent breeder, transmitting uniformly his own desirable characteristics and his few foals in California are promising to the highest degree.

Mahomet Watts 2:08¼

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 2312.
A. T. R. No. 51518.
AXWORTHY ELECTIONEER

By GEN. WATTS (3) 2:06¾, sire of three three-year-old trotters in 2:10.

Dam Alla P. 2:21¼ (dam of 3) by Palo Alto 2:08¾, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10; second dam Lula Wilkes (dam of 5), by George Wilkes 2:22, sire of the dams of 15 in 2:10.

Mahomet Watts is not only the fastest performer credited to Gen. Watts (3) 2:06¾ (whose breeding on qualities have been prime factors in the rise of the great house of the Axworthys) but he springs on the maternal side from the most firmly established families of champion producers—those of Electioneer and George Wilkes. He is a pleasing individual of fine finish and extreme speed, having a three-year-old record of 2:10 and being timed separately in a race last year in 2:05¼, whose services should be most welcome to California breeders.

Fee for Joe Patchen II or Mahomet Watts, $100 with usual return privilege

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Vernon McKinney 2:01½

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FASTEST OF THE McKINNEYS

By GUY McKINNEY 37625, son of McKinney 2:11¼, dam by Guy Wilkes.

Dam Maud Vernon by Mount Vernon 2:15¼, sire of the dam of Leata J. 2:03, etc.; second dam Mag by Gen. McClellan, sire of the dam of Mack Mack 2:08, etc.

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Zomblack 2:26, tr. 3, 2:08¾

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 1127.
A. T. R. No. 54955
BEST SON OF ZOMBRO

By ZOMBRO 2:11, sire of twenty and the dams of three in 2:10.

Dam, Madeline Marshall (dam of 2) by Demonio 2:11¼, sire of 7 and dam of 1 in 2:10; second dam Mamie Comet (dam of 3) by Nutwood 2:18¾, sire of 2 and dams of 21 in 2:10.

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BILLIE BOYD " ¼ mile :38

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WHEN HORSES MUST BE NAMED.

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Rules of the American Trotting Association will govern except as noted herewith.

The above races will be mile heats, best 3 in 5, under the "OLD PLACING SYSTEM" as defined in Rules 155, 156, and 157.

Purses will be divided 50%, 25%, 15%, and 10%.

Horses may be declared out at any time and nominators are liable only for payments due before written notice of withdrawal is lodged with the Secretary.

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$150 in Special Cash Prizes was paid to Stallion Owners in December, 1912.

ENTRANCE AND PAYMENTS—$2 to nominate mare on December 2, 1912, when name, color, description of mare and stallion bred to must be given; $5 June 1, 1913; $5 November 1, 1913; $10 on Yearlings April 1, 1914; $10 on TWO-YEAR-OLDS APRIL 1, 1915; $10 on Three-Year-Olds April 1, 1916.

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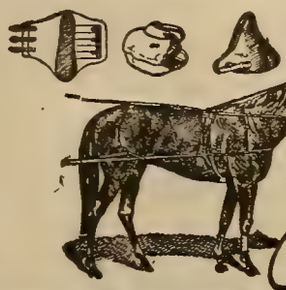
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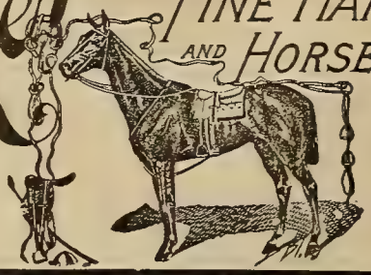


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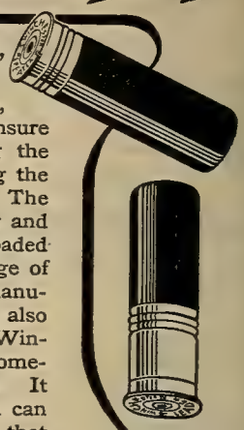
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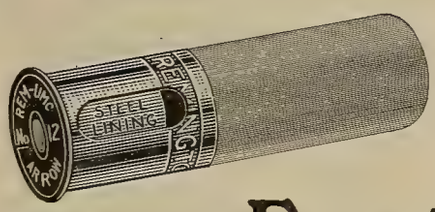


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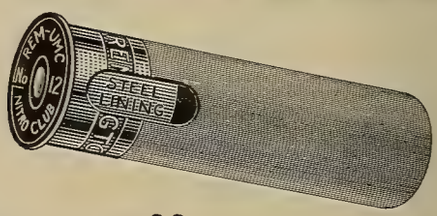


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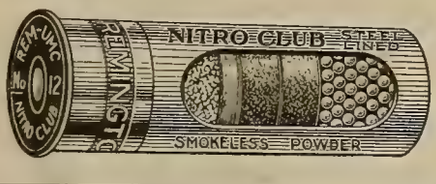


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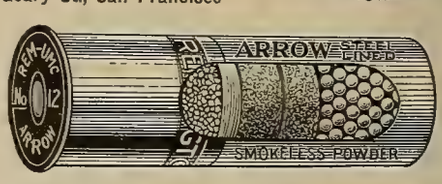
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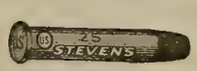
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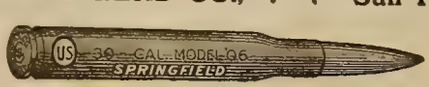
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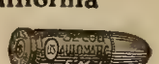
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The Year Book for 1914 is out.

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That Cleveland entry for the early closers looks like somebody would have some horseracing to do to get away with the money.

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Frank Malcolm made the trip from Fresno to Pleasanton last week to take a look at the horses which he has in training in the stable of Bert Webster.

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Paste this in your hat:—If you are the owner of a good mare and fail to breed her this season to some worthy stallion you are making a mistake that will mean money lost to you in the future.

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Albaloma heads the published entries for "The Ohio" 2:09 trot at Cleveland, and no fault will be found in this quarter if his name heads the summary as well. Even Mr. Borden could find no fault with such a course of procedure!

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The rains throughout California this week interrupted speed making and gave a rude jolt to the baseball season, but the agriculturists upon whose welfare the prosperity of the country depends are wearing happy smiles, so we should worry—not.

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During a recent visit in Colorado Fred Laub of Akron, O., who bred and owns the trotter Robert Milroi, purchased a full brother to the one time four-year-old champion pacer Braden Direct 2:01½, and also a brother to the good campaigner of some years back, Winfield Stratton 2:05¼.

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Knapsack McCarty has shipped from Terre Haute to the "historic" track at Goshen, New York, where he will be quartered in the Orange Hotel Stables. We take this from a reliable source, Genevieve, but that combination of Knap McCarty and the "Orange" stables sort of "sounds" to us.

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Notwithstanding the chaotic conditions existing in Europe, word comes from New York that President Tranter of the Fasig-Tipton Company is filling a Russian order for trotting and pacing stallions with records, while the same concern has "war orders" for several thousand head of the generally useful kind for field service.

Two dandy young Onward McGregors are reported this week, one a colt out of Gypsy C. by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, owned by Charles Cook of Irvington, and the other a filly from Martha S. 2:25 by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, grandam Primrose (dam of two) by Sidney 2:19¾, owned by Wm. E. Detels of Pleasanton. Both are staked and ought to make trotters.

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Montreal announces four early closers for the six days of racing to be given there in August, the King George, $5000, for 2:08 trotters, the Queen Mary, $5000, for 2:06 pacers, the Dominion of Canada, $3000, for 2:12 trotters, and the Greater Montreal, $3000, for 2:10 pacers. Entries close Wednesday, April 14, and the program is more fully reviewed elsewhere in this paper.

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Al Pennock and Harvey Ernest, who will give a couple of August meetings at the tracks at Cranwood and Rockport, Ohio, have hung up a thousand dollars for drivers only—including, of course, driver owners—to be divided $500, $300 and $200 among the three leading money winning reinsmen at the meetings. Rockport, Rockport,—the name sounds familiar. Anything extra for the judges?

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The board of appeals of the American Trotting Association will meet at the Auditorium Hotel, Chicago, on Tuesday, May 4, at 10 a. m., for the transaction of such business as may properly be presented to the board for its consideration. All new applications and written evidence must be received at the office of the American Trotting Association not later than April 10.

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Ester W. 2:06¼ by Director Moore's First 2:22½ has been bred to the fast California pacer Del Rey 2:03¾, now a member of Walter Cox's stable "way down east." Both mare and stallion are owned by Benton Pardee, Lock Haven, Pa., and the girl has a California brand as well as her mate, her dam, the triple producer Madame Arundel, having been bred at San Mateo by Wm. Corbitt over a score of years ago.

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Friends of Dan Misner—and there are a world of 'em—will be sorry to learn that he suffered quite a mishap last week at Pleasanton while cutting a mess of green feed for his horses. In some manner the sickle took the wrong slant, a nasty cut in the arm and a severed artery being the consequence. Mr. Misner lost quite a bit of blood before surgical aid reached him and ten stitches were required to close the wound properly, but last reports were that no serious effects were expected as a result of his hard luck.

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The Texas State Fair has announced that there will be no harness racing at this year's event at Dallas, but it is an odds on bet that the trotters and pacers will be back on the program in another year or so. This "balls things up" a bit for the windup of the Great Western Circuit, but clears the track for Phoenix to pull off the best meeting in her history in the time intervening between the close at Lexington and the opening of the fall meeting here at the P.-P. I. E., though her dates as at present announced are November 8 to 13.

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A. G. Ireland of Chicago, who with W. P. Leach of the Cleveland Leader owns the great pacer Doctor Burns Jr. 2:04¼, was a visitor in San Francisco for a couple of days the latter part of last week, coming up from Los Angeles to give the racing plant at the P.-P. I. E. the "once over" and to make a number of entries for the June meeting, for the speedy Doctor and the green trotting mare Bessie Custer. He was very much pleased with the general situation and stated that the "Los Angeles delegation," some forty strong, would move up in a bunch early in May and put the finishing touches to their entries over the track where they are to race. He reports the horses at the Angeltown track, both transients and regulars, to be coming along in great shape, and just naturally knows that some of the big winners are stabled in the barns there.

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Heralding the birth at the Morris ranch at Woodland of a Holstein calf whose dam and sire's dam averaged a production of 29,638 pounds of milk in a year, one of our country exchanges remarks: "Why is he not the most valuable Holstein ever chronicled, and you know prices on such animals sour into the five figure column occasionally." Would we poor horse folks see anything "sour" about a calf that sold in five figures? Nix! This "sour" milk breed is a new one, too, sort of a "Burbank," probably, though we have heard of some peculiar cases of an unnatural flow of the lacteal fluid, always explainable upon investigation. There was the cow in Texas who was very bob tailed and gave sour milk at night, owing to the unobstructed play of the sun's rays upon her udders, and also the famous bovine matron who, at the closing day of the street fair down at Mattawamkeag in Penobscot county, Maine, gave throughout the day a generous flow of buttermilk of a most palatable flavor, after proper chilling. The latter animal was the "cynosure of all eyes" and the cause of a great deal of scientific conjecture until the thrifty Yankee who owned her inadvertently remarked that he had let her go unmilked on that morning and the previous evening, and had then hauled her in from his place near Pattagumpus in the tonneau of a Ford automobile! All things are just simply simple when you understand 'em.

Frank Holloway (3) 2:24¼, now four years old and a member of Bob Sebastian's stable at Hemet, turned the two-lap track there recently in 2:15, with the last quarter in :32½.

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The Hemet Driving Club pulled off an "Easter Matinee" yesterday as a farewell to a number of Southern California horses who are soon to make the trip north for the exposition. Horsemen from nearby towns promised co-operation and a great day was expected.

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Peter McCormick, McCloskey, Mahomet Watts, Baby Doll, Alberta Dillon and Albaloma, all "California trained," are entered in "The Ohio" at Cleveland, while the Tavern "Steak" drew Laramie Lad, Major By By and Seneca Boy, and "The Edwards" includes Hal Boy, O. U. C., The Beaver, Walnut Grove and Zomblack.

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California horsemen who are booking for a trip down the big line are reminded that entries to Grand Rapids early closers must be made April 6th with Secretary Moone, 618 Ashton Bldg. The events are for 2:08 trotters, $5000, 2:14 trotters, $3000, 2:12 pacers, $3000, and 2:08 pacers $2000, one per cent to accompany the entry and the balance in instalments. Races are three in five under the old placing system and the program will be rounded out by a full offering of $1000 purses to close late in July.

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W. F. Whittier and a party of relatives and friends who for some days had been his guests in southern California returned to San Francisco early in the week, much pleased with the condition of affairs in the Hemet valley in general, and at Hemet Stock Farm in particular. The colt crop promises much and the horses in training are making excellent progress—Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼, Hemet (3) 2:08¼, Kinney de Lopez 2:23 and a number of youngsters. The yearlings just broken have been turned out to grow for a while, and the two-year-olds are getting theirs. Moderate work has been the rule to date but the entire stable will be well keyed up for the races when the season opens.

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Joe Lesh of Goshen, Ind., who as the former owner of Giftline 2:02¾, Online 2:04, Leone 2:07¼, Ontonian 2:07½ and other fast ones is well known to horsemen throughout the United States, will move to the track at North Randall, Ohio, about May first with four good prospects, best known of which is the mare Ecelear Kurtz that "came" so rapidly last fall and took a record of 2:10 at Lexington. The jawbone telegraph has sent out some great tales regarding this lass but we could talk about her more freely if we knew how to pronounce the forward division of her cognomen. Plans and specifications for the proper method of spitting this out without mutilation will be gratefully received—and don't all write at once.

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Thomas Grove of Ensenada, British Columbia, has been a recent visitor in California, taking occasion during his trip to revisit the establishment of Fred W. Wadham at Palm City. Some three years ago, on a former journey to this section, Mr. Grove, who is an extensive breeder of saddle horses, purchased from Mr. Wadham the bay stallion Enolo by Petigru 2:10½, dam the double producer of extreme speed, Juliet 2:13½ (dam of Irish 2:08½ and Hal McKinney 2:06½) by McKinney 2:11¼, grandam Katie by Crichton. Taken to the north country, Enolo was mated for the most part with native mares and Mr. Grove states that the venture has been most satisfactory, as he has gotten a goodly number of youngsters that are not only a great improvement over the foundation stock, but are fine types of the readily marketable riding horse.

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Parties in the market for either racing timber or breeding material should not overlook the offerings made by the estate of W. J. Miller of Chico, including such ready to race pacers as the world's champion John Malcolm (2) 2:11½ and Bondalean (2) 2:20½, both in training in the stable of Loren Daniels at Sacramento and both "ready for the fray" in 1915. Daniels states that the Dan Logan gelding can show as much or more than any western pacer, and Bondalean looks good for some of the best money in the events for three-year-old pacers. The matrons and youngsters are at the ranch near Chico, and include the producers Katalina 2:11¼ by Tom Smith 2:13¼ and Lulu Mack by Arthur Wilkes; the champion of 1912, Capitola, and a number of younger ones from these matrons, all staked and all right in every way.

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Will Durfee makes a number of price changes in his sale announcement this week, owing to the fact that the boys and girls he is offering to buyers are improving steadily and proving themselves worth more than the figures originally asked. As we have stated before, these horses ars not "has beens" or "going to be's," but are "is-ers" from the establishment from which in recent years have come the best winners on the Pacific coast. They are not culls, but are the "best in the barn," as Mr. Durfee makes no reservations of anything that is his personal property. Pick the best ones as you like and he will take a chance on "the leavings," so if you want a real stake colt or a good aged performer, "now am de time." The prices are growing, not coming down, and later on your "hindsight" will give you a bawling out for letting a bargain get by you.

Don Pronto 2:02¼

When the Moana of the Union S. S. line cleared for the antipodes Wednesday morning she carried as one of her most famous passengers the black pacing stallion Don Pronto 2:02¼, who goes to Australia to become a member of the establishment of Dr. R. C. Simpson of Armidale, New South Wales, one of the foremost of the admirers of the light harness horse in that portion of the world. With the Don as traveling companion extraordinary went Will Green, who is a familiar figure on almost all the larger circuits in the United States, and who has a curiosity to see "how they race 'em" in other countries.

It has been only a few weeks since we carried an account of the campaigns made by the redoubtable Don, but in order that our Australian friends may know just how good a horse they are getting, we take this occasion to go a bit further into detail concerning his career. He was foaled in 1907, bred by L. C. Webb of Mason, Michigan, and at an early meeting at Lexington in the summer of 1910 he was given a time record of 2:24¾, his half sister, Miss Quealey, a year younger, being marked in 2:26¾ at the trot on the same occasion. That fall he was brought to California by Wm. G. Durfee, and in the following season made his "professional debut" at Woodland, racing until the close of the Phoenix meeting, as follows:

Woodland, Cal., Aug. 11, 1911—2:20 pace, $500.
Teddy Bear, b h by Del Coronado.....(Walker) 1-1-2-1
Nordwell, b h by Demonio.....(Ward) 2-3-1-2
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General
.....(Durfee) 5-2-3-4
Princess G., Florist, Roberta and Demonio Nutwood finished as named.
Time—2:09¼, 2:06¾, 2:08½, 2:12.

Marysville, Cal., Aug. 16, 1911—2:15 pace, $700.
Maurice S., b g by King S.....(Duncan) 5-3-1-1-2-1
Frank N., b g by Wm. Harold...(Sutherland) 2-4-4-2-1-2
Hal McKinney, b h by Hal B.....(Ward) 3-1-2-4-4-4
Margaret Derby, b m by Chas. Derby (Leggett)1-7-6-3-3-3
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General
.....(Durfee) 6-2-3-ro
Economizer and Ginger also started.
Time—2:09, 2:08½, 2:08½, 2:09, 2:09½, 2:11½.

Marysville, Cal., Aug. 19, 1911—2:25 pace, $500.
Teddy Bear, b h by Del Coronado.....(Walker) 2-2-1-2
Florist, Nordwell, Princess G., Demonio Nutwood and Oakwood finished as named.
Time—2:05½, 2:05½, 2:07, 2:09.

Sacramento, Cal., Aug. 29, 1911—2:10 pace, $5000.
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General
.....(Durfee) 2-1-1-1
Teddy Bear, b h by Del Coronado.....(Walker) 1-2-2-4
Allerdaw, Vera Hal, Chorro Prince, Little Dick, George Woodward and Conqueror finished as named.
Time—2:05, 2:05½, 2:07½, 2:08.

Portland, Oregon, Sept. 6, 1911—2:08 pace, $5000.
Francis J., b h by The Patchen Boy .....(McGuire)1-1-1
Junior Dan Patch, bl h by Dan Patch
.....(Hogoboom) 2-3-7
Allerdaw, b g by Allertonian .....(Childs) 6-4-2
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 7-2-4
George Woodward, Haltamont, Lou Miller, Teddy Bear, Tom Marshall, Nordwell, Espeire, Axnola and Chiquita finished as named.
Time—2:17, 2:18½, 2:20½. (Mud.)

Hanford, Cal., Sept. 26, 1911—2:20 pace, $1000.
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 1-1-1
Princess G., Queenie R., Isabelle, Chancellor Jr., Judie C., W. J. K., Florist, Roberta and Zomwoolsey finished as named.
Time—2:15, 2:13, 2:17. (Half-mile track.)

Hanford, Cal., Sept. 30, 1911—2:15 pace, $1000.
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General
.....(Durfee) 2-1-1-1
Princess G., b m by Prince Charles...(Schwartz) 1-2-2-2
Chancellor Jr., Roberta and W. J. K. finished as named.
Time—2:19, 2:13¾, 2:14½, 2:13. (Half-mile track.)

Fresno, Cal., Oct. 4, 1911—2:10 pace, $1000.
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 1-1-1
Vera Hal and Conqueror finished as named.
Time—2:07, 2:08, 2:09.

Fresno, Cal., Oct. 7, 1911—2:20 pace, $1000.
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 1-1-1
Princess B., Mary W., Isabelle, W. J. K., Dan C., Roberta and Zomwoolsey finished as named.
Time—2:10, 2:09½, 2:08.

Phoenix, Ariz., Nov. 6, 1911—2:15 pace, $1000.
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General
.....(Durfee) 2-1-1-2-3
Hal McKinney, b h by Hal B.....(Ward) 1-3-4-1-4
Geo. W. Newton, br h by Lockheart....(Parker) 4-2-3-3-1
Francis J., b h by The Patchen Boy (McGuire) 3-4-2-4-2
Time—2:06½, 2:06¾, 2:07¼, 2:07¼, 2:11¼.

Phoenix, Ariz., Nov. 8, 1911—2:12 pace, $3000.
Don Densmore, b h by Pactolus.....(Parker) 1-1-1
Branham Baughman, Blanche, Don Pronto, Teddy Bear and Fred Taylor finished as named.
Time—2:03¾, 2:03¼, 2:04¾.

Phoenix, Ariz., Nov. 11, 1911—2:09 pace, $1,500.
Branham Baughman, b h by Gambetta Wilkes .....(Geers) 1-1-1
Blanche, Fred Taylor, Francis J., Walter J., Don Pronto and Roy Wilkes finished as named.
Time—2:07, 2:07¼, 2:08½.

In 1912 Mr. Durfee went to the Grand Circuit with his stable, including Don Pronto and the younger son of Silurian, Manrico, both of whom were to achieve world's records before the season closed. Starting inauspiciously, the Don rounded into great shape toward the middle of the summer, and figured in some famous racing, repeatedly beating 2:04 and achieving the stallion crown for five-year-olds in a fight against time in 2:02¼ at Lexington, the quality of the fields against which he was pitted being readily recognized by an inspection of the season's summaries:

Grand Rapids, Mich., July 10, 1912—2:05 pace, $2,000.
C. The Limit, b h by Searchlight.....(Macey) 3-1-1-1
Zombrewer, gr m by Zombro.....(Snow) 1-2-2-2
Branham Baughman, Ginger, Peter the Second, Jim Logan, Don Pronto and Major Brino finished as named.
Time—2:04¼, 2:04¼, 2:06¼, 2:05¼.

Kalamazoo, Mich., July 18, 1912—2:05 pace, $1000.
Branham Baughman, br h by Gambetta Wilkes (Cox) 1-1
C. The Lunit, b h by Searchlight.....(Macey) 3-2
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General....(Durfee) 2-4
Major Brino, Jim Logan and Ginger finished as named.
Time—2:04¼, 2:04¼.

Detroit, Mich., July 22, 1912—2:05 pace, $2,500.
Jim Logan, b h by Charles Derby (Montgomery) 2-1-1
C. The Limit, b h by Searchlight.....(Macey) 1-2-6
Branham Baughman, br h by Gambetta Wilkes .....(Cox) 3-3-2
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 5-9-3
Knight Onwardo, Peter the Second, Nutmoor, Heir at Law 1st, and Major Brino finished as named.
Time—2:03½, 2:03¾, 2:05.

Cleveland, Ohio, July 30, 1912—2:06 pace, $2000.
Braden Direct, bl h by Baron Direct.....(Egan) 9-1-1
Ginger, Branham Baughman, Gold Seal, Eddie Dillard, Edward B., Don Pronto, King Daphne, Heir at Law 1st, Judge Ward and Nutmoor finished as named.
Time—2:04½, 2:03¾, 2:05½.

Decatur, Ill., Aug. 7, 1912—2:06 pace, $700.
Ginger, b h by Angus M.....(Brown) 1-1-1
Sunny Jim, Billy M., Don Pronto and King Daphne finished as named.
Time—2:06¾, 2:06¼, 2:05½.

Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 13, 1912—2:06 pace, $1,000.
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 1-5-1
Wy-Drad, bl h by The Director General
.....(Valentine) 5-1-2
Jones Gentry, Sadie Hal and Mansfield finished as named.
Time—2:05¼, 2:04¾, 2:03½.

Detroit, Mich., Sept. 16, 1912—2:05 pace, $2,000.
Branham Baughman, br h by Gambetta Wilkes (Cox) 1-1
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 2 2
Peter the Second, Heir at Law 1st and King Daphne finished as named.
Time—2:04½, 2:04¼.

Detroit, Mich., Sept. 20, 1912—2:06 pace, $1,000.
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 1-1
Longworth B., Walter Cochato, Babe, Sadie Hal, Sara Ann Patch and Ty Cobb finished as named.
Time—2:12¼, 2:11. (Rain.)

Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 26, 1912—2:05 pace, $1,200.
Branham Baughman, br h by Gambetta Wilkes .....(Cox) 2-1-1-1
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General
.....(Durfee) 1-2-4-2
Peter the Second and Heir at Law 1st finished as named.
Time—2:03¾, 2:05½, 2:05¾, 2:04½.

Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 30, 1912—2:06 pace, $3,000.
Braden Direct, bl h by Baron Direct.....(Egan) 2-1-1-1
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 1-2-5-5
Branham Baughman, Sadie Hal and Longworth B. finished as named.
Time—2:05¼, 2:03¼, 2:03¾, 2:04.

Lexington, Ky., Oct. 8, 1912—2:05 pace, $3,000.
Braden Direct, bl c by Baron Direct.....(Egan) 1-1-1
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 2-2-4
Pickles, Branham Baughman and Knight Onwardo finished as named.
Time—2:02¾, 2:03¼, 2:03½.

Lexington, Ky., Oct. 16, 1912—Special, to beat 2:03½.
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee)..won

Time—	¼	½	¾	Mile
	:31¼	1:00¾	1:31½	2:02¼

For the two seasons just passed the black fellow has had very limited racing opportunities, as local fast classes have been few and far between and his campaigning has been confined to California and Arizona, the major portion of his efforts in that time being in the nature of "duels" with that other good free-for-aller, Jim Logan 2:01¾, there having been but one occasion in the two years when the speedy son of Charles Derby was not out against him. Their appearance has always been the signal for those in the stands to sit up and take notice, and they have never yet disappointed their friends by failing to step fast and gamely. First one would have the upper hand and then the other, the coast record getting bumped pretty severely by both. Honors in this respect are now about even, Jim holding the record of 2:01¾ and the Don being a bit the largest money winner. Their meetings have been great features with coast crowds, and it is a matter of general regret that the "matches"—for a number of their events assumed that aspect—are not to be continued during 1915. The summaries of their most recent campaigns are as follows:

Woodland, Cal., Aug. 23, 1913—Free-for-all pace, $500.
Jim Logan, b h by Charles Derby.....(Montgomery) 1-1
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 2-2
Dan Logan and Mike C. finished as named.
Time—2:02¾, 2:04¼.

Santa Rosa, Cal., Sept. 6, 1913—Free-for-all pace, $400.
Jim Logan, b h by Charles Derby.....(Montgomery) 1-1
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 2-2
Time—2:06, 2:04¼.

Sacramento, Cal., Sept. 20, 1913—Free-for-all pace, $500 added.
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 1-1
Jim Logan, b h by Charles Derby.....(Montgomery) 2-2
Time—2:02½, 2:02¾.

Phoenix, Ariz., Nov. 5, 1913—Free-for-all pace, $1000.
Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney.....(Childs) 2-1-1
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 1-2-3
Our Colonel, b h by Colonel Cochran.....(Jones) 3-3-2
Time—2:02¾, 2:04¾, 2:05¼.

Santa Rosa, Cal., Sept. 2, 1914—Free-for-all pace, $500.
Jim Logan, b h by Charles Derby....(Montgomery) 1-1
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 2-2
Time—2:02¼, 2:04¾.

Woodland, Cal., Sept. 10, 1914—Free-for-all pace, $500.
Jim Logan, b h by Charles Derby....(Montgomery) 1-1-1
Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney.....(Jones) 3-2-2
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 2 3 3
Time—2:01¾, 2:04½, 2:02½.

Sacramento, Cal., Sept. 19, 1914—Free-for-all pace, $1000.
Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney.....(Jones) 1-1-2
Jim Logan, b h by Charles Derby....(Montgomery) 3-2-1
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 2-3-3
Time—2:06, 2:03¾, 2:07

Phoenix, Ariz., Nov. 9, 1914—2:03 pace, $1000.
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee)1-1-1
Jim Logan, b h by Charles Derby.....(Montgomery)2-2-3
Don Densmore, b h by Pactolus.....(Breitenfield) 3-3-2
Time—2:05, 2:04½, 2:05¾.

Phoenix, Ariz., Nov. 14, 1914—Free-for-all pace, $2000.
Don Pronto, bl h by The Director General (Durfee) 1-1-1
Knight of Strathmore, ch h by Twelfth Night .....(Hawley) 2-2-3
Minnie Chimes, br m by Council Chimes (McVey) 4-4-2
Jim Logan and Don Densmore finished as named.
Time—2:05, 2:05¾, 2:05.

Owing to the fact that he has been raced continuously since colthood, Don Pronto has been given no opportunity of showing his merit in the stud, but as he has no hereditary faults and is possessed of an infusion of most potent blood there can be small question as to his future success as a sire. Not only does he come from families that are breeding on most impressively, but they are families in whi the trotting instinct predominates. His sire was T Director General 31738, one of the greatest sons Director 2:17, the dam of The Director General bei a daughter of William L. 4244, both lines being p ductive of champions. From Director a long line "fastest performers" of both gaits and all ages h descended, the principal contemporary lumina being the wonderful "little red horse" Directum 1:58, while from William L. came the great famili of the Axtells, the Axworthies, and others. T happiness of the Director—William L. cross is f ther exemplified by the success of Mainsheet 2:05, whom the latter's blood is intensified on the matern side, his dam being a daughter of Axtell (3) 2:: one-time champion three-year-old trotter and ev famous as a sire. Mainsheet is not only the faste trotting son of The Director General and his mo successful sire, having a present representation twelve trotters including the three-year-old Mainle 2:08¼, but he is the fastest performer of either ga or sex produced by a daughter of Axtell.

In the case of Don Don Pronto, the blood of t sire has been ably backed by that of the dam, Sil rian being a truly great mare both in point of bree ing and production. Considering first her bloc lines, she measures up to a very high standard excellence, being a daughter of Wilton 2:19¼, a sc of George Wilkes whose blood is welcomed in ar pedigree. Daughters of Wilton have produced a even dozen with records entitling them to membe ship in the 2:10 list, Don Pronto occupying two pos tions of distinction among them, being the fastest the lot and the only pacer, conclusive evidence the preponderance of trotting instinct in the lin It may be further noted that the fastest daughter Director, Dorothy Redmond 2:09, is out of a Wilto dam, and the Axworthy line is represented in th assemblage of the produce of Wilton's daughters b the four-year-old Lord Brussels, who trotted in 191 to a mark of 2:09¼. Silurian 2:25½, moreover, ha proven the true potency of her blood by producin "quality" to the cover of sires of different families— Don Pronto 2:02¼, a world's champion, to The D rector General; Miss Quealey (2) 2:26¾ and Mar rico (3) 2:07¼, futurity winner and holder of world's record, to Moko, and Allurian, a speed sire to Allerton 2:09¼.

Perhaps one of the most concise appreciations o the worth of Don Pronto appeared in a recent editio of the American Horse Breeder, foremost among ou extreme eastern contemporaries, their sketch sayin, in part:

"Briefly stated, the blood lines of Don Pronto ar as follows: Sire, The Director General, son o Director 2:17; he by Dictator (brother of the cham pion trotter Dexter 2:17¼), by Hambletonian 10 dam, Silurian 2:25½ (dam of the Kentucky futurity winner Manrico (3) 2:07¼ in a sixth heat), by Wil ton 2:19¼; second dam Silhouette (grandam of th Kentucky futurity winner Siliko (3) 2:11¼, etc.), by Hambrino 2:21¼; third dam Silverlock (dam of three trotters, three sires, three dams), by Mambrino Time

"In the male line of Don Pronto's family tree, these facts are significant: Director was a good colt trot ter in his day. His son Directum was the best col trotter of his time, taking a mark of 2:11¼ at three and at four becoming champion trotting stallion, with a record of 2:05¼. Back of all that comes Jay Eye See, by Dictator, who not only was the first 2:1 trotter, but the champion four-year-old, 2:19 being his record at that age. Furthermore, Dictator sired a champion trotting stallion in Phallas 2:13¾.

"What the female line of Don Pronto has given the turf already has been shown in bulk. His dam produced a Kentucky futurity winner in Manrico, a veritable whale among colt trotters, and Silicon 2:13½, sister of his dam, produced another Kentucky futurity winner in Siliko. The dam of these two great mares, Silhouette, numbers, among her foals, Silverone 2:19¾, who, as a three-year-old, was second to Patron when he put the record for that age at 2:19½, and it was the almost universal opinion of horsemen of that day that Silverone had more speed than any other trotter of her age, unsteadiness preventing her from making a better showing than she did.

"The Breeder, not fettered by prejudice or hidebound by reason of too close application to theories and the overlooking of obvious facts, frequently has called attention to the existence in the pedigrees of remarkably fast young trotters of the blood of horses which paced. Don Pronto is a fast pacer, and his turf career was a brilliant one. A study of his family chart (only a sketch of whose excellence has here been given) will convince even the skeptical that his possibilities as a sire were truly great, and that his sale to the foreigners means a distinct loss to this country."

These are words of high praise from an authoritative source, and are warmly seconded from many quarters. In short, Don Pronto is not only the fastest American light harness horse yet exported to Australia, but one of the best bred to be found in any section and withal a pleasing type of the trotter—one from whose future performance to harness or in the stud our breeders may confidentially expect the fame of our horses in the lands across the sea to be greatly enhanced. The value of an admixture of such blood to that already represented in the antipodes is not at this time to be estimated, and should the Don be blessed in his new home with a life free from accident or untoward illness he will exert an influence that will cause coming generations to accord him and his importer high place in public estimation. Success to them both.

CLEVELAND GRAND CIRCUIT ENTRIES.

The outlook for good racing in the east for the eason of 1915 is very promising indeed, judging by ne entries to the early closing events for the Cleve- nd meeting of the Grand Circuit. The major "fixed vents" received entries generously in excess of the umber made last year, while the Fasig, North Ran- all and Forest City sweepstakes for the juvenile otters were well patronized. The nominations to ne Ohio, the Edwards, and the Tavern "Steak" ppear below, and a goodly representation of horses wned or trained in California is in evidence:

The Ohio (Three Heats), 2:08 Class Trotting, $3,000.

Albaloma, br. g. by Almaden D.—Loma B., by Stam B. L. Borden, San Francisco, Cal.
Alberta Dillon, ch m. by Sidney Dillon—Miss Lamar- ne, by Lamartine. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg, Manitoba.
Axtien, ch. h. by Axworthy—Protien, by Glenwold. Sam- el Harris, Plymouth, Ill.
Baby Doll, b. m. by Tom Smith—Kate Lumrey, by hadeland Onward. I. L. Borden, San Francisco, Cal.
Beirne Holt, blk. h. by Cochato—Belle Andrews, by illy Andrews. H. J. Schlesinger, Milwaukee, Wis.
Bright Axworthy, b. g. by Axworthy—Honor Bright, by ntonio. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
Dorsh Medium, blk. m. by Red Medium—Vicanora, by he Viceroy. E. F. Geers, Memphis, Tenn.
Gold Dollar, ch. g. by Pulsus—Daisy Golddust, by Em- rson Golddust. Gus. Macey, Huntsville, Ala.
J. Malcolm Forbes, bl. h. by Bingen—Santos, by Grand entinel. E. F. Geers, Memphis, Tenn.
King Clansman, br. h. by The Clansman—High Born ady, by Re-Election. Dick McMahon, Libertyville, Ill.
Lizzie Brown, b. m. by The Bondsman—Clyde, by Vilkes Boy. J. W. Davis, agent, Lexington, Ky.
Lulu Lumine, b. m. by Orator—Lumine, by Stately. hos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
Mahomet Watts, b. h. by Gen. Watts—Alla P. by Palo lto. C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton, Cal.
McCloskey, b. g. by Theodosius—Maggie C., by Odd ocks. Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis, Ind.
Newzell, b. g. by Newleaf—Hazeletta, by Garnet Vilkes. Pastime Stable, Cleveland, Ohio.
Peter Johnson, b. h. by Gray Petrus—Sudena, by Max- orthy. Walter Cox, Dover, N. H.
Peter McCormick, br. h. by Peter the Great—Pearl ecil, by Cecil W. V. L. Shuler, Indianapolis, Ind.
Peter Scott, b. h. by Peter the Great—Jenny Scott, by Bryson. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
The Wanderer, b. g. by The Tramp—Maggie F., by oung Jim. Pastime Stable, Cleveland, Ohio.
Worthy Prince, b. h. by Prince McKinney—Nell Worthy, y Axworthy. Walter Cox, Dover, N. H.

The Tavern "Steak" (Three Heats), for Trotters That Never Beat 2:13¼ in a Race, $3,000.

Ames Albingen, b. h. by Albingen—Cacha, by Look Sir. J. Mooney, Toledo, Ohio.
Binola, b. m. by Bertini—Ban, by Bingara. Walter Cox, Dover, N. H.
Bordelon, b. h. by Bingara—Kishmena, by Kremlin. Hooper & Whitehead, Murfreesboro, Tenn.
Brooklyn Hall, b. g. by Brooklyn Chief—Belle Brandon, by Tom Hal Jr. G. R. Snedeker, Kirkwood, Del.
Colonel Cochran Jr., b. h. by Colonel Cochran—The Wild Rose, by Red Medium. Thos. W. Murphy, Pough- keepsie, N. Y.
Dick Watts, b. h. by General Watts—Sarah Hamlin, by Dare Devil. A. S. Rodney, Jersey City, N. J.
Eclear Kurts, b. m. by John R. Kurtz—Belle Line, by Dan Line. Jos. H. Lesh, Goshen, Ind.
Great Isle, b. h. by Peter the Great—Bell Isle, by Ac- ell. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
Helen Worthy, b. m. by Barongale—Lulu Worthy, by Axworthy. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
J. D. S., b. h. by Earl of Chatham—Fylie, by Sherman Wilkes. Jas. D. Sullivan, Stafford Springs, Conn.
June Red, b. m. by Red Medium—Rozel Maid by Rozel Russell. Dick McMahon, Libertyville, Ill.
Laramie Lad, b. g. by Master Bo. Alonzo McDonald, ndianapolis, Ind.
Lettie Lee, b. m. by Moko—Leetell, by Axtell. Ideal Stock Farm, East Aurora, N. Y.
Lilly the Great, b. m. by Peter the Great—Mary Louise, by J. J. Audubon. Earl F. Shropshire, Lexington, Ky.
Mainstep, blk. g. by Mainsheet—Julia Lee, by C. F. Clay. Walter Cox, Dover, N. H.
Major By By, ch. g. by Major Dillon—By By, by Nut- wood. Edward Peterson, Omaha, Neb.
Mary Warren, b. m. by Zombro—Rosa Bonheur, by Auctioneer. Kinwood Farm, Norristown, Pa.
Miss Directed, br. m. by Directwell—Vida M. by Prod- gal. David Shaw, Cleveland, Ohio.
Miss Rilda, b. m. by Peter the Great—Sis Directum, by Directum. J. O. McAllister, Lexington, Ky.
Mont Ferris, b. h. by Walnut Hall—Molesia, by Mobel. James Beli, Philadelphia, Pa.
Parisette, blk. m. by Bellini—Prelatress, by Ponce de Leon. Hillanddale Farm, Mamaroneck, N. Y.
Precious Cresceus, ch. g. by Cresceus—Mosella, by Har- old. H. H. Stokes, Urbana, O.
Princess Margrave, ro. m. by Margrave—Colored Girl, by American Boy. Ernest E. Schmidt, Chicago, Ill.
Princess Nelda, ro. m. by Prince McKinney—Nelda Worthy, by Axworthy. John Jarvis, Franklin, Mass.
Roy Miller, b. h. by Bingara—Mokoetta, by Moko. Jas. P. McNichol, Philadelphia, Pa.
Russian Dame, b. m. by George Muscovite—Exelma, by Expedition. E. F. Geers, Memphis, Tenn.
Sarah Douglass, ch. m. by Bob Douglas, dam by Chat- terton. C. L. Floyd, Memphis, Tenn.
Seneca Boy, ch. g. by King Entertainer—Seneca Maid, by John Adams. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg, Manitoba.
Silver Bell, gr. m. by John R. Kurtz—Piper's Lady, by Silver Cloud. John Kenney, Ligonier, Ind.
Strafford, b. h. by Moko—Ruby, by Independence. J. V. Morris, Cleveland, O.
Sure Mike, br. h. by Peter W.—Barget, by H. W. Grady. Chet Kelly, West Liberty, Iowa.
Susie S., br. m. by Archdale. Thos. W. Murphy, Pough- keepsie, N. Y.
The Eno, ch. c. by The Native—Anna B., by John Bur- dine. C. L. Floyd, Memphis, Tenn.
The Guide, b. h. by Peter the Great—Ethel Vaughn, by Arion. E. F. Geers, Memphis, Tenn.
The Toddler, br. c. by Kentucky Todd—Belladi, by Che- halis. Harry C. Stinson, agent, North Randall, O.
Todd Temple, br. g. by Todd Mac—Lady Lake, by Tem- ple Bar. Jas. Westwater, Columbus, O.
Tom Patch, b. h. by Joe Patchen—Jane, by Poteen. W. H. Boyd, Toronto, Ontario.

The Edwards (Three Heats) 2:10 Class Pacing, $3,000.

Aconite, b. h. by Aquillin—Mattie S. Wilkes, by Sim- mons. Walter Cox, Dover, N. H.
Bonnie Boy, ro. g. by Bonnie—Sallie, by Warrior Gor- don. Guy M. Lee, Union City, Tenn.
Camelia, br. m. by Cummer—Veta S., by Sidney Prince. Walter Cox, Dover, N. H.
Derby Custer, ch. h. by Ed Custer. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
Hazel Armstrong, b. m. by Red Hal—Hazel D., by Com- mander. Lawler Bros., St. Mary's, O.
Hal Boy, b. g. by Hal B.—Altalena, by Altamont. Ed- ward Peterson, Omaha, Neb.
Hal Connor, br. h. by Argot Hal—Barbette, by Ten- nessee Wilkes. Abot H. Frank, Memphis, Tenn.
Hal Plex E., b. h. by Empire Hal, dam by Duplex. E. F. Geers, Memphis, Tenn.
Hal S., ro. g. by Hal Chaffin. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
Jean, b. m. by Flosko. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeep- sie, N. Y.
Lustrous McKinney, b. g. by McKinney—Splendor, by Stately. A. S. Rodney, Jersey City, N. J.
Major Ong, b. g. by Major Gantz—Bessie J., by Iowa Sentinel. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
Miss Miriam, rn. m. by Margin—Alsie Onward, by On- ward. Parker Bros., Niles, Mich.
O. U. C., b. g. by C. The Limit—Rosie Woodburn, by Easter Wilkes. S. S. Bailey, Pleasanton, Cal.
Patrick M., blk. g. by Norbells, dam by Gamester. H. H. Stokes, Urbana, O.
Periolat, b. h. by Klatawah. Frank Cairl, Monroe, Mich.
Prestolite, blk. m. by Don Gale. E. F. Geers, Memphis, Tenn.
Queen Abbess, br. m. by The Abbe—Queen Regent Ideal. Mambrino King. Ideal Stock Farm, East Aurora, N. Y.
Russell Boy, b. h., by Rustic Patenter—Maude F. by Vatican. W. A. McDaniel, agent, Jacksonville, Ill.
Symbol Meath, br. g. by Symbol McPhee—Thisby D., by Westmeath. C. B. Dillenbeck, El Dorado, Kas.
The Beaver, b. h. by Searchlight—Ripple, by Glenbrook. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg, Manitoba.
Thistle Patch, blk. h. by Joe Patchen—Sarah Ann, by Thistle. W. L. Snow, Detroit, Mich.
Walnut Grove, blk. h. by Constantine—Lindis, by Jack- daw. A. F. Ruthven, agent, Kansas City, Mo.
Zomblack, bl. h. by Zombro—Madeline Marshall by Demonio. C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton, Cal.

Two great young trotting fillies of considerable fame have died recently of pneumonia at widely separated points of the country, one in California and the other in Pennsylvania. The western filly was the two-year-old Fay Patch, one of the most highly prized babies ever foaled at the Savage establishment, being one of the first crop of youngsters by Dazzle Patch 2:09¾, dam Miss Flashlight (dam of Cory Kilvert 2:16½) by Baron Wilkes 2:18, grandam Vera by Stamboul 2:07½. She contracted lung trouble en route from Savage to Pleasanton, and though given every care and the best of veterinary attendance, succumbed after an illness of several days. She was extensively staked, her engagements including the two-year-old trot at the June meeting of the P.-P. I. E. The eastern miss was the champion filly Bessie Admiral (1) 2:28, whose performance over the half-mile track at Washington, Pa., last fall stands as the best record for fillies of her age and gait over a half-mile track. She was owned by H. S. Grayson, president of the fair association at Washington, and was a product of the McKennan Farm, being by High Admiral 2:07¾ and out of Bessie Braden by Arion 2:07¾, grandam Bessie Leach by Gambonito 2:19¼. She was very highly regarded for this year's two-year-old events, and was eligible to most of the major juvenile stakes.

GOOD EARLY CLOSING PURSES AT MONTREAL.

Some skepticism was expressed among horsemen some weeks ago as to the desirability of the action of the stewards of the Grand Circuit in allotting dates to Montreal, but the selection of Harry D. Shepard of Columbus as secretary, the manner in which the Dorval Jockey Club is making preparations for the staging of the meeting, and the generous program announced have combined to remove this sentiment entirely, and to substitute in its stead a feeling that the Canadian meeting will be a "ten strike."

Sixteen thousand dollars has been hung up for early closing events for which entry must be made on Wednesday, April fourteenth, the original payment required being but one-half of one per cent, with three payments of one per cent payable at thirty day intervals and the final payment of one and one-half per cent due only two days in advance of the meeting. The events are designated as the King George, $5000, for 2:08 trotters, the Queen Mary, $5000, for 2:06 pacers, the Dominion of Canada, $3000, for 2:12 trotters, and the Greater Montreal, $3000, for 2:10 pacers. Races are three in five, under a pleasing modification of the point system, and under a new departure in money division six horses may earn more than the amount paid in, only the first four horses being subject to a three per cent deduction, the fifth and sixth horses getting theirs without any frills. The details in full are presented on a business page and are well worth investigating, whether or not you plan to make entries.

Sixteen classes for thousand dollar purses to close later in the season will round out the program of events open to horses from this side the line, while two $500 purses, one for 2:18 trotters and one for 2:17 pacers, are announced for Canadian horses only, making the total offering for six days' racing the neat sum of $33,000.

In regard to "the going" at Montreal Mr. Shepard writes: "I am informed by Mr. Holman, the general manager, that he intends resoiling the track as soon as weather conditions will permit and he guarantees that he will have on an average as good a race course as the balance of tracks in membership with the Grand Circuit. I am also reliably informed that the track in its present condition is as good as Ft. Erie was in 1914. I also want to say that at the one-half mile track in Montreal last year the 2:10 pacing class was won in 2:10¼, 2:11¾, 2:11¾. The 2:15 trotting class was won in 2:15¼, 2:15¼, 2:14¼, which shows that the condition of both tracks must be good. So I feel I can assure an average good track to race on."

Correspondence concerning either the Montreal or Columbus meeting should be addressed to Mr. Shepard at 33 North High St., Columbus, Ohio.

Onward McGregor

Among the number of stallions whose services are offered this season to California brood mare owners, the youngster whose name appears above occupies two unique distinctions—he is the only son of Jay McGregor on the coast, and he is the only stallion in service in California whose sire and dam both have records faster than 2:10. Moreover, he lives up to his breeding by being a naturally fast trotter, an excellent type individually, and a promising "prospect" as a sire, the fact that mares bred to him last year are now being returned to his court speaking much for the satisfaction derived by his patrons from the initial mating.

From "both sides of the house," Onward McGregor comes from trotting families that have commanded respect for several generations. His sire, Jay McGregor 2:07¼, whose list of performers at the close of 1914 included eight trotters and one pacer with records faster than 2:10, traces through the parental line to Hambletonian 10 through Jaw Hawker 2:12¾, Jay Bird 5060 and George Wilkes 2:22, while his dam was the great brood mare Notre Dame (3) 2:23¾ by Robert McGregor 2:17½, whose daughters have produced over a dozen trotters and pacers, largely the former, with records from 2:04½ to 2:09¾. Jay Hawker's dam, Sorrento, produced also The Bondsman, which horse, bred to a daughter of Jay McGregor, begot the former champion three-year-old trotter Colorado E. 2:04¾. Notre Dame's dam, Christine 2:25½, produced six performers and was a daughter of Hambrino 2:21 and the old time matron Kate by Mambrino Foster. Daughters of Hambrino have given the trotting turf such good performers as Hawthorne 2:06¼, Argetta 2:08¼ and five others in 2:10, as well as Ed Winter 2:12¾, sire of Allen Winter 2:06½, winner of the $50,000 Derby at Readville, and Star Winter 2:05, the good campaigner now in the stable of Alonzo McDonald at Los Angeles.

Through his dam, Onward McGregor has a second "top cross" to Hambletonian 10 through Gordon, Onward and George Wilkes. Gordon, whose daughter Mary Gordon 2:09¾ to the cover of Jay McGregor produced two most excellent youngsters, Onward McGregor (3) 2:23¼ and Gordon McGregor, was a son of Onward and Camlet, the produce of the latter matron including two trotters, one dam, and three sires, two of the latter being progenitors of 2:10 speed in either the first or second generation. Camlet's sire was Hamlet 160, a son of Volunteer 55 that was most successful as a brood mare sire, twenty-three of his daughters having become producers, with the trotters evident in overwhelming majority. Through Nell, the dam of Mary Gordon, comes a cross to Young Octoroon, to the value of whose blood on the maternal side of a pedigree much respect is accorded by reason of the unparalleled success of Peter the Great 2:07¼ as a progenitor of extreme speed. The position occupied by the son of Comet's Morgan in the maternal pedigrees of Peter the Great and Onward McGregor is exactly the same.

In the hands of Bert Webster at Pleasanton, Onward McGregor has been one of the most popular of the junior sires, and his enterprising owner, Mr. John N. Colomb of San Francisco, is anxious that the youngsters from these matings "be given a chance," the proof of his proper interest in the future of his horse and his get being evidenced by the plan he has adopted of nominating all mares bred to the lad in both the State Fair and Breeders Futurities, the original payments being at his expense. Mr. Colomb believes that, given the horse, the "opportunity" can be created, and he has set about the task of getting the horse and the opportunity combined in a manner that promises well for the future.

THE MULE.

The mule, he is a funny sight,
He's made of ears and dynamite;
His heels are full of bricks and springs,
Tornadoes, battering rams, and things.
He's fat as any poisoned pup;
It's jest his meanness swells him up;
He's always scheming 'round to do
The thing you most don't want him to.
The mule, he lives on anything;
He's got a lovely voice to sing.
And when he lets it loose at noon,
It sounds like buzz saws out of tune.
He stands around with sleepy eye
And looks as if he'd like to die.
But when there's any dying done
It ain't the mule, I'll bet a bun.
Some folks don't treat mules with respect;
They say they ain't got no intellect;
That may be so, but if you've got
To go to heaven on the spot,
And want a way that doesn't fail,
Just pull the tassel on his tail,
The mule, he tends to his own biz;
He don't look loaded, but he is.

—Exchange.

Remember that entries to the Woodland Stock Farm sale close on Monday, April 5th—next Monday.

NOTES FROM MEMPHIS.

A Chicagoan reports that a visit to Memphis a few days ago found everything in fine condition. Mr. Geers has his usual large contingent of pupils, and it looks as if he would be able to cull from among them an extra good stable to take "down the line," despite the fact that this season Dudie Archdale 2:03¼ is to become a matron, while Anvil 2:02¾ and Etawah (4) 2:03¼ are both at Castleton Stud, Lexington, Ky., for service, and will not be raced, although they may be returned to training later on in order to give them chances for new records.

Probably the most notable horse in the stable is the pacing stallion Napoleon Direct 2:02¼, the leading money winner of his sex and gait of 1914. The son of Walter Direct p. 2:05¾ now resembles a draft horse more than anything else in appearance, so robust and powerful is he. At times last year his gait was criticised as being somewhat rough, but Mr. Geers has ironed out the riffles, and it is believed that he will be found much improved in this respect. Napoleon came so fast and dropped so far in his initial campaign that it is not strange he seemed at times unable to control his action. Last November he was close to two-minute form, and his admirers at the track have him tabbed as the first new 2:00 performer of 1915.

It will not surprise some people to learn that Guy Nella 2:07¾, the fast trotting mare that raced so well for Mr. Geers last summer, has been shifted to the pace, is being repeated at her new gait, and taking to it like a duck to water. Nella required a good deal of weight to balance her as a trotter, and showed a persistent liking for the pace all along. Now that she has been allowed to adopt that method of locomotion, she is enjoying life, and, it is likely, has a bright future before her in the pacing stakes. Another pacer in the stable that the railbirds favor is the young stallion Hal Connor 2:14¼, by Argot Hal 2:04¾, owned by A. H. Frank, of Memphis. He is also being staked, and his trainer has a very high opinion of him. The Chicago pacer, Hal Plex E. (4) 2:09½, has become a great favorite with Mr. Geers, who is staking him also. In appearance he is one of the most attractive horses at Memphis. Altogether, it looks as if the stable's pacing strength would be greater this year than for a considerable time past.

With Dudie Archdale, Anvil and Etawah absent from the trotting division, and Guy Nella transformed into a pacer, that side of the stable has a somewhat unfamiliar look just at present, but later on this complexion will be altered. Dorsh Medium 2:06¼, the Illinois mare, that did so well for Mr. Geers in 1913, but was used little last season, is in nice form and apt to give a brilliant account of herself. The Guide 2:07¼, still eligible to the 3:00 classes, and a prominent figure on the Big Ring for two years past, will make his third onslaught upon it, and the word is that this time he will prove the "bear-cat" that he has been claimed to be. J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08 is being entered in Geers' name, and will, if he comes up to expectations, do some starring on his own account. He accompanied the stable to Memphis last fall, has wintered excellently, and is a picture to look at. Practically nothing has been done with Sparkle Watts (2) 2:10¾ since she won the futurity at Lexington last October. She was so frail and slim it was decided to give her a complete rest during the winter and build her up physically. As a result it is now difficult to recognize the diminutive daughter of General Watts 2:06¾, for she appears to be just double in bulk what she then was. She will be in grand condition to start work on, and Mr. Geers is full of faith in her for the three-year-old futurities. For the two-year-old events he will make ready one of Mr. F. G. Jones' own breeding, by Anvil 2:02¾, out of Yo San trial 2:09, by Hershon 2:29¼. This is one of the biggest things of its age ever seen, standing a trifle over 16 hands—which is something rather surprising in view of the fact that its sire is not much more than a pony in size, while its dam is a good-sized, but by no means extra big mare. Another of the stable's colt trotters that is much commented upon is the Wisconsin colt Deroche (2) 2:22½, now three, by John A. McKerron 2:04½. This fellow's sensational speed, displayed last fall, was reported in the Review at that time. He is doing nicely and is one of his trainer's favorites. Also belonging to his owner, Paul C. Wilson, of Menomonie, Wis., is the four-year-old gelding Star Kay (3) 2:15¼, by Burning Star 2:14¼, brother of The Harvester 2:01. He was sick last fall after being sent to Geers, despite which he showed very well. Now he is in good shape and doing all that is asked of him in a satisfactory way. The green—or practically green—trotter upon which many of the stable's hopes will be staked, is the Galesburg, Ill., mare Russian Dame 2:24¼, by George Muscovite 2:08¼. All the occupants of the historic Knocker's Bench, at Memphis, take off their hats to this mare, and some of the eagle-eyed ones are already asserting that she will be the "great unbeaten" of 1915.

Among the other trainers at Memphis, John Dickerson, with the Hillanddale Farm stable, has a particularly nice lot that are all doing particularly well, though none have been stirred along much as yet. That he is well satisfied with them is apparent to the onlooker, which is a good sign, for "Johnny Dick" is not easily pleased. "Red" Gerrety is also happy with his lot from Harvest Farms, the property of H. J. Schlesinger, of Milwaukee. In especial is he gratified at the way in which Beirne Holt (4) 2:11¼ is training, indications being that he will do great things if all continues to go as well with him as thus far. "Red" has some "babies" that look good enough to eat. "Kentuck" Floyd's lot, as usual, is not large, but if it only contained one horse you could not get past it. That one is the old war-horse Omar 2:05¼, flourishing like a growing boy, and down in the books for the best campaign he has yet made.—Horse Review.

ON THE SELECTION OF NAMES.

Some years ago the British Jockey Club, which, as to turf matters, is a bulwark of dignity and conservatism, was very properly horrified at discovering that one of the entrants to a classic English race was named "Tommy Up a Pear Tree."

But, inasmuch as Tommy, pear tree and all, had been properly registered in the Stud Book, the Jockey Club stewards were powerless to prevent his starting, the most they got out of the incident being an opportunity—immediately seized upon—to command and entreat the owners of thoroughbreds not to let it happen again, adding the suggestion that there were plenty of good names to be had for the picking up.

Over on this side, we have had our own troubles about names in connection with harness racing. Back in 1882 the chestnut mare, Mohawk Maid, was, at the behest of a patent medicine proprietor, rechristened "Yellow Dock," and, under that euphonious cognomen, and in spite of it, took a race record of 2:20¾. Later, we saw a high-class pacer (record 2:01¾) bereft of his proper moniker and raced on the trot as Knox's Gelatine King—but, happily, not for long.

But, recalling these sad facts and likewise remembering the mania of our fellow countrymen for being up with the times, especially in horse nomenclature, we are not very hopeful for the future. Before the season ends, it is more than likely something akin to the subjoined summary may adorn the official parchments of the N. T. A. or the A. T. A.

September 16—Purse $300, 2:45 trot:

Dreadnaught	1	1	2	1
Submarine	2	3	1	2
Floating Mine	4	2	4	3
Shrapnel	3	5	3	4
Bomb Dropper	5	4	5	5
Neutral Zone	6	dis		
Watchful Waiting	7	dis		
Scrap of Paper	dis			

We rather expect to see the Floating Mine tag attached to a hopeful pacer wearing knee boots, toe weights and a gaiting pole. As for the others, heaven help them if Floating Mine blows up going around the first turn of some half-mile track—American Horse Breeder.

"PUREBRED" OR "THOROUGHBRED."

Again, in reply to a number of recent letters upon the subject, we repeat that the word "purebred" applies to all animals registered in reputable herd, flock and stud books; that the word "thoroughbred" can never be used with the sanction of informed breeders as applying to any pedigree, registered or recorded animal except the Thoroughbred horse, and in this case the first letter (T) must be capitalized, for the same sufficient reason that the first letter in the name of any distinctive breed is capitalized.

Thoroughbred is the recognized name of a breed of horses. It would be superfluous to refer to a recorded or eligible horse of this breed as "purebred," just as it would be redundant to say or write "purebred" Aberdeen-Angus or "purebred" Shorthorn. The name of the breed of an animal cannot properly be applied to it unless it be purebred; if it is not a purebred it is a scrub, grade or crossbred, and is always so differentiated by breeders and others who stand for the best usage of technical terms in conversation, addresses and literature.

Any animal is a purebred which has a registered pedigree in a recognized herd, flock or stud book, or is eligible to registry. According to the critical usage which obtains among all informed breeders, writers and educators, no animal is a "thoroughbred." It is simply a Hereford, a Clydesdale, a Shropshire, a Duroc-Jersey, a Guernsey, and so on through the entire list of breed names. When applied to a breed of horses the small "t" is capitalized.

It is permissible and proper in some instances to advertise or refer to purebred animals as "registered," "recorded" or "pedigreed" Galloways, Jerseys, Berkshires, Southdowns and the like, because not all purebred animals, eligible to registry, are recorded. Some breeders occasionally do not wish to incur the expense of regording eligible animals; having the pedigrees of the sires and dams of such animals they can easily prove their eligibility. But in most cases purebred animals that are worth raising are worth recording and are recorded. It is the existence of a small percentage of unregistered eligibles which prompts some breeders to use the words "recorded," "registered" or "pedigreed," in order to make their advertisements and announcements definite and explicit. Probably in some instances these terms are employed in the interest of euphony, to balance the lines on a letterhead or in an advertisement, to make it unmistakable that the animals advertised or described are recorded or to increase the psychological effect of their advertisements or business literature. There are legitimate tricks in all trades.—Breeders Gazette.

BILLY ANDREWS' STABLE IN GEORGIA.

Reports from Thomasville, Ga., where W. J. Andrews is preparing a big string of horses, are very encouraging. The weather has been splendid there and the thirty mark beaten by two members of the former Buffalo trainer's string. Honeysuckle 2:14¼, a seven-year-old sister to Honeymoon 2:09¾, by John A. McKerron, out of Rosa L., by Elyria, that was bred by Dan R. Hanna of Cleveland, holds the season's track record. Honeysuckle has stepped the Thomasville half-mile track in 2:27, quarter in 34 seconds. John R. Dillon 2:11¼, by Sidney Dillon, has been in 2:29½, while Hazel Laing 2:08¼, Newzel 2:05¼, Lee Axworthy (3) 2:08, The Wanderer 2:08¼ and Jack Murray (4) by John A. McKerron, dam Lea by Sidney, have been given from five to seven heats a week from 2:35 to 3:00.

The three-year-olds are getting about the same treatment, although Andrews is not giving them as many heats. Instead he brushes them more than the old-timers. He generally works the three-year-olds from 2:35 to 2:50. Jorrocks has been the fastest of any of this class, a mile in 2:31½ being the lowest notch the three-year-olds have traveled thus far.

Andrews is also giving the two-year-olds some stiff work. They get from four to six heats a week, but none has been strung. The best work for the babies so far follows:

Volga, sister to Peter Volo, in 2:34¼, quarter in 17½ seconds; Sister Hattie, by Peter the Great out of Hattie Lynwood, in 2:35½, eighth in 17¼ seconds; Peter Valpa, by Peter the Great, dam Valpa, in 2:38, eighth in 18 seconds; Marjorie, by Peter the Great, dam Maggie Onward 2:33½, eighth in 17; seconds; Great Minnie, by Peter the Great, dam Minnie P. Wilkes; Irish Voter, by John A. McKerron, dam Proxy Belle, in 2:41½; Fred Moran, by John A. McKerron, dam Sister Illetta, in 2:52.—Horse World.

PERCHERON SOCIETY'S PRIZES FOR 1915.

One of the important transactions at a recent meeting of the board of directors of the Percheron Society of America was the revision of the society's plan of awarding special premiums to Percheron horses at the various major fairs of the United States and Canada for the season of 1915, the California state fair being among the duly accredited list. Money prizes, never large, have been eliminated, and the following schedule of classes and awards was adopted:

Special A.—Stallion three years old or over, bred and owned by exhibitor, 1st prize, sterling silver medal; 2d prize, bronze medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special B.—Stallion under three, bred and owned by exhibitor, 1st prize, sterling silver medal; 2d prize, bronze medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special C.—Champion stallion, bred and owned by exhibitor. Open only to 1st and 2d prize winners in Specials A and B. Champion, sterling silver medal; Reserve Champion, bronze medal.

Special D.—Mare three years or over, bred and owned by exhibitor, 1st prize, sterling silver medal; 2d prize, bronze medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special E.—Mare under three, bred and owned by exhibitor, 1st prize, sterling silver medal; 2d prize, bronze medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special F.—Champion mare, bred and owned by exhibitor. Open only to 1st and 2d prize winners in Specials D and E. Champion, sterling silver medal; Reserve Champion, bronze medal.

Special G.—Get of stallion, four colts, either sex, get of same stallion; bred and owned by exhibitor, or shown with stallion; 1st prize, sterling silver medal; 2d prize, bronze medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special H.—Produce of mare, two colts, either sex, American bred, produce of same mare, bred and owned by exhibitor, 1st prize, sterling silver medal; 2d prize, bronze medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special I.—Champion stud, consisting of stallion and four mares, mares only to be bred and owned by exhibitor; 1st prize, Champion trophy of sterling silver; 2d prize, silver medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special J.—Five stallions, owned by exhibitor, 1st prize, Champion trophy of sterling silver; 2d prize, silver medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special K.—Best three mares, owned by exhibitor, 1st prize, Champion trophy of sterling silver; 2d prize, silver medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special L.—Champion stallion, open class. Champion, sterling silver medal; Reserve Champion, bronze medal.

Special M.—Champion mare, open class. Champion, sterling silver medal; Reserve Champion, bronze medal.

Specials L and M are open only to the first and second prize winners in the regular open classes.

All animals competing for above prizes must be recorded in the Percheron Stud Book of America, and the owner must be a member of the Percheron Society of America. All animals competing must be regularly entered on the books of the Secretary of the Fair when he shows his stock and the correct name and number of each animal given. No medals or prizes will be sent forward until this information is received in proper form by the Secretary of the Percheron Society of America, and names and numbers of animals found correct, according to the records of his office. When such information is received at the Secretary's office, the medals will be properly engraved and forwarded to the owner.

THE TEN MILE PERFORMANCE OF STEEL GREY

Breeder and Sportsman:

On reading the article "A Visitor From Australia" in your issue of March 27, I thought the following might be of some interest to you and your readers:

When I was young—under twenty—I was often riding hunters and hacks in the horse shows in England. (One horse I rode was Banker, the heavyweight hunter that never was beaten, and was sold to Germany.) This was about 1879 or '80. At some of the shows in Lancashire, the principal one being at Pomona Gardens, Manchester, they used to have trotting races in the afternoons. The tracks could not have been more than a third of a mile around, and were turf tracks, not thrown up at the turns, part of them being used for the show ring, so the going was not particularly good. Just as in Australia today the races were all dashes, and all handicaps (some by distance and some by weight) on previous performances. Almost all of the horses were ridden. I do not think that time was taken into consideration very much.

There was a trotting track, devoted only to trotting races, at Abbey Hey, near Manchester, but it did not last very long and I never was there. Trotting was not popular in England at that time and it is not now. The owners of trotters were mostly "publicans and sinners" (the Bible), a publican in Britain being a man who keeps a public house, a species of saloon.

The best in England at that time was a grey mare called Steel Grey. She was bred by Mr. W. Lort somewhere in Wales, and was just a chance bred one. Mr. Lort was one of the best known dog judges of the day. The mare was only about 14 hands high. She was strongly made but not so blocky as a Hackney, and had a nice head and neck. She probably had some thoroughbred blood. She had a very rapid gait, not a long stride—it looked like a single-foot. She was always ridden by Andy McCann who weighed 154 pounds, and she never broke. She looked like a rapid fire gun in action, a piece of machinery.

It is a long time ago, and I was not a bit interested in trotters, but I am pretty sure that she trotted ten miles on a grass track, with 154 pounds on her back, in 27 minutes. This was a notable performance, and was for a wager against time.

I remember a curious animal that used to perform. She was a brown mare and looked like a small cart-horse. Her quarters were low, and she went with her head down. She could only go short distances but was a flyer for a limited period. She trotted with her fore legs and galloped with her hind legs. Her pilot always had a rough passage. As far as I remember, she was constantly being protested.

But—I just wanted to tell you about Steel Grey.

Very truly yours,

G. L. WARING.

Santa Monica, Cal.

THOROUGHBRED CROSSES THAT FAILED.

After C. J. Hamlin had purchased Chimes from Leland Stanford he ventured upon a little voyage of speculation. The master of Palo Alto Farm had been successful in building a trotting edifice on a thoroughbred foundation and the master of Village Farm decided to test the theory in his own way and for his own benefit. Chimes was a strongly built, brown stallion, born April 4, 1884, by Electioneer, dam Beautiful Bells, but he failed to trot to a fast record on account of a quarter crack. His record of 2:30¾ was made as a three-year-old. A boot protected from curious eyes the blemish and the peculiar action of the stallion, due to pain, caused Hon. J. C. Sibley and his friends to call him the lobster of the Beautiful Bells family. Mr. Sibley was at that time in partnership with his brother-in-law, Gen. Miller, and two of the brothers of Chimes were owned at Prospect Hill Stock Farm, Franklin, Pa. These were Electric Bell and Belsire. St. Bel, another brother, was owned by Miller and Sibley, but he died in 1894, and black rules surrounded his name in the elaborate catalogue of 1895. "St. Bel was by the greatest sire and out of the greatest dam of trotters. It cannot now be disputed that in the evolution of the trotter, the highest point yet reached is the production of the Electioneer-Beautiful Bells family." But the champion trotting stallion at one time was Palo Alto 2:08¾ by Electioneer, dam Dame Winnie, thoroughbred daughter of Planet by Revenue, by imp. Trustee. Waxana by General Benton out of Waxy, thoroughbred daughter of Lexington, was bred to Electioneer and produced Sunol, who trotted to a high wheel record of 2:08¼. The champion trotting stallion and the champion trotting mare made the thoroughbred speed sustaining theory look good even to Mr. Hamlin, and in the 1891 catalogue of Village Farm four thoroughbred mares appeared. Grace Norton by imp. Glenelg, dam Morlacchi by Lexington; Ina Blonde by Iroquois, dam Blondine by imp. Bonnie Scotland; Mary C. by Lyttleton, dam Lady Hawkins by Gilroy and Talluah by Planet, dam Mazurka by Planet. They failed to produce speed at the trot and Mr. Hamlin was glad to get rid of them.

I was at Palo Alto Stock Farm with William Russell Allen when he purchased Experta, bay filly (1888) by Electioneer, dam Esther by Express (son of Endorser and Nantura, dam of Longfellow); second dam Colisseum, carrying a double cross of imp. Glencoe, and Planetra, b. f. (1888), by Electioneer, dam Marshra by Planet (son of Revenue and Nina by Boston); second dam Vandalia by Vandal by imp. Glencoe. These two fillies carried thoroughbred lines which Gov. Stanford deemed the best for Electioneer, and the price on each was $5,000. At the same time and at the same figure Electrite, b. c. (1888), by Electioneer, dam Sprite, the famous trot producing daughter of Belmont and Waterwitch, was purchased and shipped to the Berkshire Hills. Planetra and Experta were keen disappointments at Allen Farm, where Lancelot, out of the dam of Electioneer, was owned, while Electrite was sold for $25,000. The plain statement is more forceful than pages of argument.

John H. Shults experimented somewhat largely with thoroughbred mares, but met with no success in breeding them to trotting stallions.—Hamilton Busby in the Horseman.

THE YEAR BOOK FOR 1914.

With the Racing Guide of the Horse Review and the Winrace and Eligibility Book of the National Trotting Association already some weeks on the market, the annual publication of the American Trotting Register Association, "Wallace's Year Book," is now coming from the printer and seeking its place in the horseman's library, in which it is practically a necessity. It contains as usual the official summaries of all trotting and pacing events of the season last passed, the performers under their sires and dams, the indexed roster of record horses of previous seasons, and the various other customary compilations, all made with the painstaking care that makes the Year Book the "court of last resort" in matters pertaining to the world of the trotter and pacer. The price for the new volume, Number Thirty, is $3.25 delivered, and orders made through this office will be promptly filled.

THE WOODLAND SALE.

The list of consignors to the sale to be held on Thursday, April 15, at the Woodland Stock Farm is assuming very satisfactory proportions, and the horses listed for Auctioneer William Higginbottom to dispose of are of a class of uniform excellence that should find new owners at a ready money figure. The farm itself, which is cutting down its horseflesh holdings to a scale that is commensurate with its grazing and feeding facilities, offers some exceptionally choice individuals of various ages and sexes, from brood mares of high degree, in some instances with foal, to promising yearlings, royally bred, nicely broken, generously staked and "ready to show."

E. A. Swaby of Dixon consigns two nice trotting mares, one a San Francisco, from Bodaker's dam, and the other a daughter of Nushagak, both sound, both trotters with some education and proven speed. Charles Johnson sends five fine youngsters by his great racing pacer, Airlie Demonio 2:05½, from excellent dams, and H. S. Hogoboom lists a number from his establishment, the home of Palo King. Other breeders make offerings of equal quality, and the event will be well worth attending. Entries must be made not later than Monday, April 5, to allow for cataloging and advertising, and patrons of the sale are assured the very best of services and treatment.

THE WINNING DRIVERS.

There are now three statistical publications intimately concerned with the doings of the trotter and pacer, the Year Book, the Review's Racing Guide, and the Winrace and Eligibility Book, and while all serve the same general field, each one presents some feature not included in either of the others. The Winrace and Eligibility Book, whose publication was necessitated by the rule abolishing the "marking" of non-race-winners insofar as classification is concerned, might well be expected to confine itself to that certain sphere, but it "sidesteps" its special purpose long enough to present a table which takes very little room, but whose preparation entailed considerable time and care—the roster of those drivers of trotters and pacers in the United States and Canada who drove winners in twenty or more events in the season of 1914, as follows:

Herman Tyson, Newark, Del.	46
Thomas W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	42
A. B. Martin, Ticonderoga, N. Y.	39
Walter R. Cox, Dover, N. H.	34
Nat Ray, Toronto, Canada	34
Marvin Childs, Pleasanton, Cal.	32
Daniel Alleman, St. Paul, Minn.	30
John Case, Marlin, Texas	30
I. W. Pottle, Portland, Me.	27
E. F. Geers, Memphis, Tenn.	27
Frederick Jamison, Washington, Penn.	27
S. F. Palin, Russiaville, Ind.	26
William G. Durfee, Los Angeles, Cal.	25
C. E. Pitman, Trenton, N. J.	25
Benjamin White, East Aurora, N. Y.	25
B. W. Whitehead, Murfreesboro, Tenn.	25
Guy Rea, Lexington, Ky.	22
Henry Thomas, St. Joseph, Mo.	22
H. H. Stokes, Urbana, Ohio	21
W. E. Miller, Washington, D. C.	21
Edward Allen, Libertyville, Ill.	20
W. B. Beggs, Middletown, Del.	20
W. O. Foote, Bonham, Texas	20
Daniel Leary, Westchester, Pa.	20
H. J. Jamison, Radford, Va.	20

MR. HARRISON LIKES THE TRUE KINNEYS.

Seattle, March 24, 1913.

Breeder and Sportsman:

When I returned from my visit to Lexington last April John W. Considine, the master of Woodland Stock Farm, requested me to visit his establishment. When I got there I found the center field full of newborn foals. After looking all the foals over I remarked to the Laird of Woodland that the foals by True Kinney looked the best to me, whereupon Mr. Considine said, "Well, C. A., you have always been boosting True Kinney. You bought him for me and you have been telling me ever since the day you bought him that True Kinney would be a speed sire. Now I want you to go out in that field and pick yourself out a True Kinney and accept it with my compliments." Well, I had my eye on a bay colt with black legs and a snip. This three days old baby had for a mother a very elegant young mare, named Princess Viola, so I said, "Oh, well, if you insist, I will just take that bay colt out of Princess Viola." Whereupon Mr. Considine said, "Now you own a True Kinney." I named the colt Kinney Benton; his dam is bred to be a brood mare, sired by Prince Ansel, second dam Viola by Gen. Benton, third dam a four time standard producer by Electioneer, fourth dam by Williamson's Belmont.

Well, Kinney Benton is now a yearling; is broken to harness and from what I hear he is a young star. Mr. Considine tells me he can show a 2:30 clip at the trot and is built like a lion. Now my friend Considine wants me to let this colt take a yearling record, but I guess I will wait a little while and see if Kinney Benton can win a two-year-old futurity for me. I am not surprised about this colt being good, for True Kinney was a real race horse and is one of the best bred sons of Kinney Lou. The men who bought True Kinney colts and fillies at the Pleasanton sale should be sure and give those foals a good chance and also keep up their stake engagements, as True Kinney by every rule of reason should be one of California's best sires. I think it is time for me to thank Mr. Considine for his gift to me of Kinney Benton. I may win those rich California stakes with him. Anyway I will keep on trying, as "it is better to have loved and lost than not to have loved at all." Yours truly,

C. A. HARRISON.

PROFITS FROM HORSE RAISING.

A man sold a team of five-year-old geldings the other day for $410. In commenting about them he said that these were a part of his regular annual sales, representing the surplus production of the farm. Of course the price was not always the same. Single geldings had been sold as high as $300 and as low as $150. Sometimes mares were sold if filly foals predominated for a season or two. Maybe only one animal might be spared one year and perhaps three or even four the next. But there are horses to sell from that farm every year, and $300 to $400 are the usual receipts. Seldom is one horse bought.

This farm's results bear conclusive evidence of the wise management of horses. It is obviously unnecessary to calculate that a depreciation of perhaps 10 per cent annually must be counted on farm work horses. Two or three good draft mares and their produce will do all the work on a quarter-section cornbelt farm and furnish in addition one or two horses for sale each year. Some counties are noted for this kind of enterprise. They are prosperous counties, and this is one factor contributing to the success of the farmers. Suppose one man has an average surplus of one $200 horse annually to sell, and his neighbor has annually to buy a $200 horse to replace one worn out. The difference between their receipts from horses is $400. That is a big item in most farm incomes.

Some men will still argue that horse breeding does not pay, and some men have a natural aversion to working young horses or mares with foals. Estimates counting extremely high costs would show very little profit from producing average horses. But good horsemen figure closely and cut down expenses while breeding a class of horses well above the average. They figure that horse-raising pays; their receipts from horses indicate that it pays, and best of all the prosperous appearance of their farms proves that it pays.

There is easy profit to be secured by using brood mares for farm work. There are always buyers for any surplus high-class horses produced. Even at lower prices than the reduced level ruling the past year, it would pay. The man who does not breed his mares if the market looks a little unfavorable cannot hope to have horses to sell when prices may swing back to a high level. The horse market is a fair barometer of general business conditions, because decreased traffic reduces the number of horses needed, and increased tonnage to be handled calls for more horses. Fluctuations in prices are therefore unavoidable, but the market cannot be quickly overstocked. Horses breed and develop too slowly for that. They are a comparatively dependable source of income.—Breeders Gazette.

Henry Thomas, who raced It Will Tell 2:07¼ and Homestake 2:08½ last season, will handle the horses of D. A. Dinnie of Minot this year, the stable including the good free-for-all pacer and speed sire Don Densmore 2:02¼, Flora Directum 2:11¼, Don B. 2:16¼, Don Conomore (3) 2:18¼, Loretta Todd 2:20¼, Lillian Green 2:24¼, Sadie Densmore (3) 2:24¼, and a pair of two-year-olds by Peter the Great.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

FISHING UP-STREAM WITH THE DRY FLY.

While I can hardly lay claim to being an upstream dry fly angler in the true sense, I will say that I do prefer fishing up-stream and to a certain degree fish with a dry fly, but not to the extreme practiced by the anglers of the British Isles.

The American angler would hardly be satisfied to sit by a pool and wait and watch for a natural fly to come floating down straem to be snapped up by a waiting trout, then search his book for an exact reproduction in feathers; nor would he be satisfied to stroll home with a couple or three brace of fish, if he could do better by slamming into them with flies that to some extent mimic the general run of bugs, or even the old stand-by Coachman. He is too energetic and perhaps a little too anxious to catch the limit. Yet I have noticed that most of our good fly fishermen who have had the opportunity to fish on the other side generally bring back a good deal of the dry-fly style and generally use dry-flies to an extent that brings them more sport and larger creels of larger fish.

There is a multitude of good enthusiastic sportsmen who would like to be good fly fishermen but from lack of a few pointers miss the sport they might have during a late summer outing because of the facts that the waters are low and the fish shy. Then is when an experienced fly fisherman with his far and fine methods is generally well rewarded.

I have asked a great many down-stream fly fishermen why they prefer it, and the only reason I ever heard was that it was easier, though there are pools and even streams that must be fished that way or not at all, and there have been exceptional cases on other streams where I have found it better, perhaps for some temporary reason.

Let us take a stream with a fall of a couple of hundred feet or so to the mile and with pools from twelve to twenty feet long and six to ten feet wide on a bright summer day and we will start up it.

There is a nice pool with three trout lying within a few feet of the lower end in the shallows; we are behind them and lower; and our chances are not nearly as great of their seeing us as if we were at the upper end.

There are bee ranches near, so we have put on an artificial one; there are alders along the banks, so we have also an alder fly in imitation of the real thing that is generally found on the trees; a light leader and a slender rod so that we can place our flies lightly on the water.

We drop our flies carefully fully three feet above the farthest trout, letting as little of the leader as possible rest on the water, drawing them fast enough to keep them on or near the surface and they come drifting down in a natural way.

The big one makes a slight move toward them but lets them go, the next one makes a dash, half changes his mind; makes another sweep and heads up stream. If he got that fly you certainly have him hooked and are pulling the hook into him instead of out of his mouth as you would if you had struck from the upper end of the pool and were drawing your flies up stream. Now if he is not too heavy, bring him down into the pool where you are and fight it out there; and you still have a chance at the larger one as all the commotion has been made behind him.

A point to be noticed here also is that you are bringing him to you with the stream; and he must come faster as every observant angler knows. As a consequence, the chances are less of his tearing off than if you towed him up stream perhaps with open mouth against the current. Another little point right here may not be amiss. I always break a fish's neck before I take him off the hook; it is more merciful; he does not mess up your basket as much and should you perchance lose your hold you can pick him up again. It is easily done by putting your forefinger in his mouth and prying his head back over the end of your thumb.

Pinch your fly well down in running it; this will save the appearance and it will also last longer.

Well, we have basketed that fish and we switch our flies easily in the air a few times, which makes them nearly or quite dry again, and we drop them up in front of that big fellow. If he has missed the other one or thinks at all, there has been so little fuss made near him that he thinks the other fellow got that bug and has gone down to the next pool to enjoy it, and he is not going to let another such chance go by; and you will be very sure to get a rise from him. Get him down out of the pool, too, if you can, for there may be still a larger one up in the deep water.

These are a few of my reasons for fishing up stream, and to a good many anglers they are nothing new. But, as I have said before, perhaps I have given a new idea or two to the enthusiastic but not always successful fisherman.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

WHAT BECOMES OF THE SMALL TROUT.

The following statement may be taken by some as "nature faking" or be branded as an ordinary fish-snake story.

The observations were made by Fred D. Hoyt during two seasons of study and may be vouched for by authorities from the U. S. Biological Survey.

I am what is known among fishermen as a "crank," a "fishing fan"; and while I dearly love music, I would rather spend the day midst the pools, rocks and rapids of a good mountain stream, landing half a dozen trout with the expectation of that "always big one" getting away than tuck myself in a dress suit in a box at the grand opera for a month. Nature in the early spring mornings brings forth a harmony of color and tone that cannot be imitated or reproduced.

Our reports of the experts on the question of fish propagation and culture say that only a very small percentage of the natural spawn of fish ever reach that stage where it has a tail and can wiggle it. At the same time our fish hatcheries such as Sissons, Tahoe, Scott Creek and others, with their modern ways of incubation and protection of the spawn, have raised that percentage to the nineties. With their distributing car running to every part of the State they stock our streams with millions of trout, supposed to be old enough to take care of themselves.

What becomes of them, is the question. Not one-tenth are taken or destroyed by human agencies. If it were not for some other reason that these fish never reached the five-inch limit we would be able to dip them out of the stream by the bucket full to make room for the water. Now comes my idea as to where a great many go. Any man that goes fishing and gets fish gets wet, or at least will be in the water almost continually from the time he begins fishing until he has finished. He will observe the great number of striped water snakes wiggling their way from his advance, and likely will see one with a frog down its throat, the legs sticking out of the mouth, and knowing that they eat frogs, will so pass them by as one of the harmless variety of snakes.

It was my good fortune two years ago to see how this particular kind of snake works to get its living. It is well known by fishermen that the small fish, when disturbed in a pool by larger fish, make for the water running out into little shallow coves where the larger fish cannot follow. The snake knows this also, so while it stands no show of catching the small fry in the deep water it dives into the pool among the small fish, wiggling its way after them, in their frantic rush to the small, shallow cove, and drags its body across the opening, forming a perfect dam, and with a foot or more of length to spare to work with, picks them out and swallows them. Of course it is a very easy matter for the snake to catch the poor little fish penned up in water a few inches in circumference and a half-inch deep. I have seen them flop clear of the water onto the sand in their efforts to escape the lightning-like movements of that snake. From the stomach of one medium-sized garter snake I have taken one frog, five fish from one-half to one and a quarter inches in length, and quite a number of tadpoles, and have counted as many as seven snakes on a ten foot length of creek. I have never studied the question during the time the small trout are carrying their sack with them, but it would seem to me that if a snake can catch the small trout as easily as in the older stage, that it would require no work at all for them to get their fill when the trout are handicapped like a boy in a sack race.

Considering the hundreds of snakes which you will find along all our small trout streams, fishing in season and out every day in the week and Sundays, too, is there not quite a reason why our trout are not more numerous? Of course there are many more reasons why such a small percentage of the fish reach the age where they are fit for food and sport, but if the fish destroyed by the snake alone could be saved we would find fishing very much improved. As to the relief, the only way I can see is to kill as many as possible and while it may be slow work, every one you kill means room for one more fisherman on the stream. I would be glad for the greatest sport that can be indulged in by men, women and children, to hear from any one who has made any study along this line.

Under Sized Bass.—An odd case developed recently when Anton Petrick of Giant, a Greek fisherman, was arrested for shipping under-weight striped bass. The under weight fish were found stuffed inside larger fish in the box. The defendant was discharged by Judge Roth of Martinez, the complaint being faulty. Petrick was arrested two months ago on a similar charge and fined. Despite the efforts of Fish Commission deputies, there is, it is claimed, quite a traffic in small bass.

DEVASTATING THE FISHERIES OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

The Southern California Fish Dealers Association is demanding the throwing open of the Santa Catalina Fish Reservation to the market fishermen which, according to Dr. David Starr Jordan and other experts, means the ruin of the fisheries. Here is what Dr. Van Dyke says:

This is what I saw at Santa Catalina, when I came to the island:

A beautiful island, with high green hills, many-colored cliffs and canyons, and clean pebbly beaches, surrounded by the deep, pure, sapphire waters of the Pacific; a natural breeding place for the little fishes and the big fishes of the prolific sea.

A lovely crescent harbor, named Avalon, nestled among the hills, with a fair vale opening behind it, and trails zig-zagging up the slopes in every direction, among the oaks and laurels and wild lilacs; a natural play-ground for the people of Southern California and Arizona and New Mexico, who want salt breezes and a simple life and a little healthful sport on sea and shore.

A few hotels and a multitude of camps and bungalows and cottages and tenting-grounds arranged for the accommodation of the thousands of families who will flock hither in the summertime to have a great deal of fun for a very little money.

A tribe of boatmen, with launches and row-boats, well equipped with fishing tackle of the true sporting kind, light rods and slender lines, which teach the angler to match his skill against the strength of the fish and cultivate the spirit of sport in the men, women and children who visit this favored isle.

This is what I saw when I arrived at Catalina April 14, too early in the season for the best fishing, but at a good time to look over the lay-out and study the value of the island as a natural spawning ground of fish, and a natural outing-resort of folks.

This is what I saw two days later when a touch of early summer had made the opal sea smooth and still around the south end of the island and the air was warm and soft and filled with fragrance from the blossoming hills.

There were fifteen or twenty little launches floating along by Pebbly Beach and Seal Rock. In each launch there was an honest boatman earning a good day's living, and two or three people from the mainland—not millionaires, but just plain human people—out for a day's sport.

The water was full of little fishes, schools of sardines, and anchovies, and smelts, and tiny mackerel, millions of them, milling around and running up close to the shore. After them came the big fishes; silvery sea-bass; golden yellow-tail; gleaming, lance-like barracuda; the noble tribes of the deep. Each one of these fish was food for a family of folk; and the catching of one with light tackle was a sport calculated to develop the qualities of fair-play and patience and skill.

Into the midst of this goodly scene about the middle of the afternoon came the Spoilers of the Sea. Three snub-nosed, thick-set vessels, piled high with nets, owned by firms of fish dealers, manned by foreigners, came butting down the coast. They set their nets close to the shore and ran a quarter of a mile out to sea, sweeping in everything that come in their way. One of the boats must have scooped out a couple of tons of yellowtail and white sea bass, to be sold to the dealers at perhaps five or ten cents a pound, and to the people at twenty cents, thirty cents, whatever the dealers choose to ask for them.

Those were the fish that would have spawned around the kelp-beds and gravel-banks of Catalina that spring and summer, providing a new supply of food for millions of people. Those were the fish that would have given good sport to thousands of Californians seeking their recreation in this ideal island. Those were the fish upon whose continuance and propagation the living of the Catalina boatmen—three times as many as the foreign net-haulers—must depend.

What kind of a democracy is it that permits these Spoilers of the Sea to carry on their work of ruin?

An hour after the nets were hauled, there was not a fish, large or small, along the shore of the island. Those that were not caught were scared away. At the time of the present writing, three days later, they had not come back. Some year they will never come back; the spawning beds will be deserted; the Catalina fishing will be killed.

For what? Not to benefit the people at large, for they have to pay the market-man's price for sea food. Not to enrich even the foreign net-haulers, for they get only meagre wages. But simply to add to the profits of a few firms of fish-dealers, Spoilers of the Sea.

How long will California permit this wasteful work to go on? A bill is now before the legislature to protect the fish within the three-mile limit from this destructive netting. It is a bill in the interest of all the State. It is a bill to save one of the great assets of California. The sooner it is passed by the legislature and signed by the Governor, the better it will be for everybody.

Yes, it will be better even for the men with the nets. It will change them from Spoilers of the Sea, to legitimate fishermen.

Shore Fishing—Sea trout and red-finned perch can be caught from the Fort Point seawall and at the Point Cavallo kelp beds, near Fort Baker. Rock cod fishing will be in order pretty soon.

THE FEDERAL MIGRATORY BIRD LAW.

In view of the fact that there is evidence that not only the public, but, in many instances the press of the country also, is under the impression that the decision just rendered by Judge John C. Pollock of the Federal District Court at Topeka, Kansas, in which he holds the federal law for the protection of migratory birds to be unconstitutional, is the final adjudication on that statute, the following statement correcting this erroneous impression has been issued by President John B. Burnham of the American Game Protective Association:

"Conservationists need feel no alarm over the Kansas decision. The Supreme Court of the United States now has before it on appeal a case from Arkansas in which the constitutionality of the law will be finally passed upon. That case lacks certain important elements, favorable to the sustaining of the law, which the Kansas case, which will be incorporated with it, will provide. In a sense, then, Judge Pollock's decision is a welcome one to those who are working to avert the destruction of the wild life of the country.

"The Kansas decision is the third that has been rendered by federal judges on the law. In Arkansas, Judge Jacob C. Trieber on May 23, 1914, held the measure unconstitutional, while in South Dakota, Judge J. D. Elliot on April 18, 1914, held it constitutional. It is to be remembered that the law is in full force and effect and will doubtless be vigorously enforced by the United States Bureau of Biological Survey everywhere in the United States, with the exception of the jurisdictions of Judges Trieber and Pollock.

"The Solicitor General of the United States has asked the Supreme Court for an early consideration for the test case as is possible but it may be that it will not be reached before next fall. We are hoping to have it passed upon this spring.

"The federal law provides protection not only for game birds but for most of the country's most valuable song and insectivorous species as well."

AIREDALES.

The care of brood bitches and puppies at a Fresno kennels is described by the owner as follows:

"Without even intimating that we know all about this subject, we will tell how our bitches are cared for.

After the bitch is bred she is given each day sufficient exercise to keep her in good healthy condition. Sometimes she is hunted, she always is shown sufficient attention to cause her to think she is our real "pal." This we figure, impresses her future prize-winners (?) with certain desirable qualities.

She is given sufficient nourishing food to keep her in good condition and the quantity is increased gradually up to the time of whelping. Usually the day before the puppies come she will probably refuse all food, unless it may be some raw beef.

Some days before this time she is placed in her whelping quarters, that she may feel at home there. These are dry, airy and comfortable with a dirt floor. She digs out a bowl-shaped nest and is left entirely alone until the puppies are several hours old. A supply of drinking water is near by at all times. When she manifests a desire for food it is given in a more limited quantity than before, and if any tendency toward indigestion is shown she is given a charcoal, bismuth and pepsin tablet three times a day for a short time. Food gradually is increased in quantity as she improves and she is allowed out of her kennel quarters for a short time. Her breasts are closely watched to see that all are being relieved of their supply of milk.

Under our system of care and feeding we are not troubled with worms, otherwise she would be given something to free her from them before whelping, in fact she must be kept free from them.

When twenty-four hours old the puppies are carefully looked over and unless they are entirely too many, they are left alone for another day. Then any that appear under size or undesirable are consigned to the bucket. If there are more than we think she can handle well the extra ones are given to a foster-mother or destroyed.

At this time their first bed is placed under them. A frame 2½x3 feet is made of 1x3 lumber. A gunny sack is ripped and tacked loosely to this frame, which is placed over the nest made by the mother; the gunny will fit down into it (if properly attached to the frame) and the puppies are replaced. When necessary this is removed and a clean one supplied. We have found this an extremely satisfactory arrangement.

When four days of age the tails are docked, removing about 40 per cent. We begin feeding when three and one-half to five weeks of age, depending upon quantity of milk furnished by the mother. They are ready for shipment at six to eight weeks. The e for long journeys are not shipped under eight weeks of age.

It should be borne in mind that if the mother, when nursing is allowed to get out of condition the effect will be seen at once on her family. Particularly is this true as to giving her food that is too laxative in nature. If this occurs the mother is given some boiled rice.

When four weeks of age, as a precaution, we treat them for worms. After they have attained some size we are not troubled with worms."

At the Traps

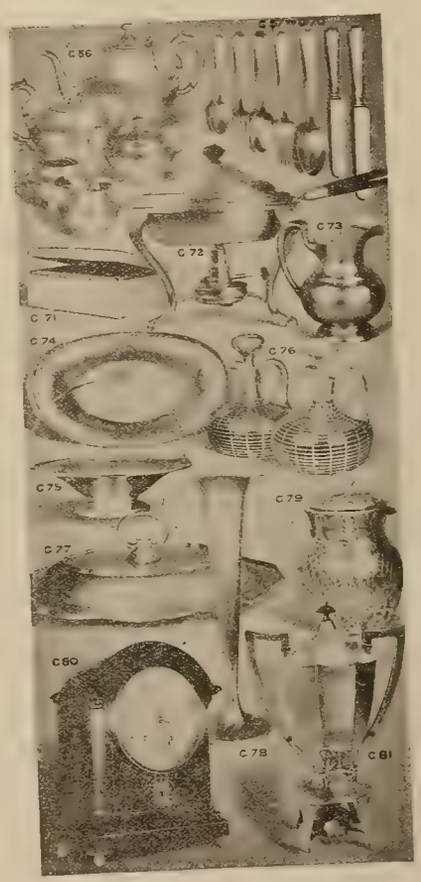
Interstate Association Tournaments—

May 11, 12, 13—The Interstate Association Tenth Southern Handicap Tournament, Memphis, Tenn., under the auspices of the Memphis Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Southern Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

June 15, 16, 17—The Interstate Association's Tenth Western Handicap Tournament, St. Louis, Mo., under the auspices of the Missouri Athletic Association Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Western Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

July 8, 9, 10—The Interstate Association's Tenth Pacific Coast Handicap Tournament, San Diego, Cal., under the auspices of the Pastime Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Pacific Coast Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

August 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chicago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy, and the winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.



Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

April 7—Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n Tournament. A. R. Bain, Secretary, Ogden, Utah.

April 10, 11—Newman Blue Rock Club. E. R. Dixon. Secretary, Newman, Cal.

April 12—Owl Rod & Gun Club. Henry Garrison, Secretary, Modesto, Cal.

April 19—Capital City Rod and Gun Club. Mark Siddall. Secretary, Salem, Ore.

April 26, 27—Oregon State Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club. J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Ore.

May 5—Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n Tournament. A. R. Bain, Secretary, Springville, Utah.

May 12—"T. B." Trap and Gun Club. Lieut. Stephen W. Wallace, Secretary, Las Animas, Colo.

May 14—Pueblo Gun Club. F. S. Rainey, President. Pueblo, Colo.

May 18, 19—Washington State Tournament, under the auspices of the Seattle Trap Shooters Ass'n. Hugh Fleming, Secretary, Seattle Wash.

May 21, 22—Gem City Gun Club. Max Weick, Secretary, Laramie, Wyo.

May 26, 27—Delta County Gun Club. Nick Powell and R. A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

May 29, 30—Utah State Tournament, under the auspices of the Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n. A. R. Bain, Secretary, Salt Lake City.

May 29, 30, 31—San Jose Blue Rock Club. O. N. Ford, Secretary, San Jose.

June 7, 8, 9—Sportsmen's Ass'n of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club. J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Ore.

July 1, 2—Vancouver Gun Club. C. A. Porter, Secretary, Vancouver, Can.

July 1, 2, 3—Los Angeles Gun Club. Fred H. Teeple, Secretary, Venice, Cal.

July 5—Eureka Blue Rock Club. H. A. Hine, President. Eureka, Cal.

July 5—Sunrise Gun Club, H. S. Hill, Secretary, Sunrise, Wyo.

July 5—Holbrook Gun Club. J. S. Hulet, Secretary. Holbrook, Ariz.

July 10—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club. W. S. Short, Secretary, Chehalis, Wash.

July 12—Rawlins Rod and Gun Club. H. Breitenstein, Secretary, Rawlins, Wyo.

July 19, 20, 21, 22—Pacific Indians. F. C. Riehl, Secretary, Tacoma, Wash.

August 10—Medford Gun Club. Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club. W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

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Interstate Association Trophies, 1915—The half-tone on this page is Plate No. 4, illustrating the $25 classification of trophies which can be selected by clubs holding registered tournaments this year, as follows:

C 56 Silver-plated tea set—5 pieces.
C 57 12 Sterling silver table spoons—in case.
C 58 12 Sterling silver table forks—in case.
C 59 12 Sterling silver dessert knives and 6 tea spoons—in case.
C 60 12 Sterling silver table knives—in case.
C 61 12 Sterling silver tea spoons and 6 dessert spoons—in case.
C 62 12 Sterling silver tea spoons and 6 dessert forks—in case.
C 63 6 Sterling silver dessert spoons and 6 table spoons—in case.
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C 67 6 Sterling silver dessert spoons and 6 dessert knives—in case.
C 68 6 Sterling silver dessert spoons and 6 table knives—in case.
C 69 6 Sterling silver dessert forks and 6 dessert knives—in case.
C 70 6 Sterling silver dessert forks and 6 table knives—in case.
C 71 Sterling silver cigar box, 8¼ x 4¾ inches.
C 72 Silver-plated chafing dish—full size.
C 73 Sterling silver water pitcher, 7¼ inches high.
C 74 Sterling silver bread tray, 13¼ inches long.
C 75 Sterling silver cake or fruit basket, 10½ inches in diameter.
C 76 Sterling silver mounted on glass—pair decanters, 8¼ inches high.
C 77 Silver-plated double meat dish—2 dishes with lock top, 18 inches long.
C 78 Sterling silver flower vase, 18½ inches high.
C 79 Sterling silver and glass pitcher with cover, 9 inches high.
C 80 Clock—8 days—mahogany case, 13¼ inches high.
C 81 Silver-plated urn—full size.

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An Army of Trap Shooters.—A revised gun club map of the United States just issued by the Du Pont Powder Company, showing the location of towns containing organized clubs, gives the total number of clubs up to November 15, 1914, as 3,221. It is estimated that the average membership of these clubs is fifty, making a total of 161,050 trapshooters belonging to clubs that shoot regularly.

There are probably still more trapshooters not members of organized clubs, mostly in farming sections.

The increasing popularity of the hand trap tends to swell the number of unorganized trapshooters.

The total of all classes is estimated at 400,000, probably more actual participants than can be found in any other American sport.

Trapshooting is undoubtedly growing rapidly and enthusiasts predict that the next annual map will show more than 4,000 clubs and that in 1915 the total number of trapshooters will grow to 500,000.

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Citrus Belt Gilbert Shoot—H. E. Dickerman, of Chicago, won the Fred Gilbert cup at the Venice grounds of the Los Angeles Gun Club March 14. The top score was 95 out of 100 from the 20 yard mark. The scores follow:

Fred Gilbert shoot, 100 targets, distance handicap—H. E. Dickerman, 20 yards, broke 95, Mark Lane 17—94, Guy Holohan 21—90, L. M. Packard 20—89, P. E. Peterson 16—88, H. Pfirrmann 20—87, A. L. Tippitt 18—87, O. Evans 18—86, Fred Grewell 16—86, C. F. Nichols 16—85, F. H. Mellus 20—85, R. D. Gilbert 16—85, R. H. Bungay 20—85, C. D. Hagerman 18—83, Geo. Oliver 16—83, Geo. Melford 16—82, C. E. Groat 17—82, R. H. Smith 16—80, Mrs. C. E. Groat 16—80, Tom Bundy 16—79, S. C. Miller 16—79, S. R. Smith 18—79, H. T. Brown 16—78, Charles Moist 18—77, Wm. Pugh 18—77, C. W. Clement 16—76, F. A. Johnson 16—76, H. W. Cline 16—75, E. L. Hedderley 16—74.

Double targets—Guy Holohan, shot at 50, broke 47, H. Pfirrmann 50—44, C. W. Clement 48—43, F. H. Mellus 50—42, H. E. Dickerman 24—20, E. L. Hedderley 24—17, Geo. Oliver 24—16, Geo. Melford 24—13, Wm. Pugh 24—13, R. D. Gilbert 24—12, S. C. Miller 24—12.

Practice shooting—F. A. Johnson, shot at 300, broke 230, O. Council 150—117, G. Holohan 125—112, F. H. Nichols 100—83, C. E. Groat 100—83, Mrs. Johnson 100—55, M. D. Towne 50—23, B. G. Adams 75—35, H. Pfirrmann 50—40, Wm. Einfeldt 50—41, Tom Bundy 50—40, Geo. Oliver 50—39, H. W. Cline 50—38, Dr. Thomas 50—38, C. W. Clement 50—33, A. J. Keating 50—29, Ward Dawson 50—25, P. E. Peterson 25—24, F. H. Mellus 25—23, C. F. Nichols 25—22, R. H. Smith 25—21, Wm. Pugh 25—21, R. D. Gilbert 25—20, C. D. Hagerman 25—20, Geo. Milford 25—19, D. C. Miller 25—19, O. Evans 25—18, S. R. Smith 25—17, Mrs. Groat 25—17, Fred Grewell 25—16, J. McDuffie 25—16, E. L. Hedderley 25—15.

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San Diego Traps—A recent shoot of the Pastime Gun Club was attended by Charley Budd. Archie Julian, a 17-year-old son of Charley Julian, won the

Dodds trophy in shooting off a 25 tie with J. F. Dodds and Foster Couts—24 to 22 and 22.

The total scores for the day follow: Dodds, shot at 100, broke 96, F. Couts 100—95, A. Julian 100—92, Ecker 100—91, C. Julian 100—90, Ervast 100—89, Knight 100—88, Merrill 100—86, Barber 100—81, McMurray 100—79, Parker 100—74, L. Couts 100—73, Halbritter 75—61, Kelly 75—61, Andrews 75—55, Dunn 75—51, Budd 50—45, Drummond 50—45, Grey 75—44, W. Wetzel 50—44, Myers 50—42, Newton 75—40, Grier 50—40, Sargent 50—38, Butler 50—37, Cameron 50—37, Sampelle 25—14, Kinney 25—13.

The scores during the Saturday powder burning were: Ervast, shot at 100, broke 96, Dodds 100—94, Barber 100—92, Hinckley 100—87, Kelly 100—86, Parker 100—85, Sargent 100—84, Walsh 100—82, Peacock 100—75, Halbritter 75—67, Andrews 25—21, Drummond 25—20, McAuliffe 25—18, Dr. McGee 25—12.

Double targets, 12 pairs: Kelley 18, Sargent 17, Millison 17, Barber 16, Peacock 13, Andrews 13.

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Smelter Smoke.—With a perfect score of 25, L. F. Gemmett of Anaconda was high man in the shoot for the Twohy medal given by the Butte Rod and Gun Club March 26. C. L. Flanagan of Great Falls made the high run of the day, killing 53 birds without a miss. There were six events on the day's program. Thirty shooters took part.

The out of town marksmen included Charles Flanagan of Great Falls, Messrs. Owen J. and C. Darnutzer, Schultz, Bushnell, Magee and Gold of Twin Bridges; Clinger of London, Canada; Hasley, Bryan, Gemmett, McDermott and Hudson of Anaconda; Renfro and Kennett of Warm Springs; Lee Williams of Deer Lodge and James Talbot of Manhattan.

The next regular shoot will occur in Anaconda April 4. There will also be a shoot at Twin Bridges April 11.

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Newman Tournament.—The fourth annual tourney of the Newman Blue Rock Club dates, Saturday and Sunday, April 10 and 11, should draw a good attendance. The program for the first day, $2.00 entrance and $12.50 added money each; and a merchandise shoot at 12 pairs, two prizes, entrance 50 cents. The same card of 10 events for the second day and a concluding 50 bird handicap shoot, entrance $2.50, money divided 50-30-20. Division of purses in the 20 bird events, Jack Rabbit system.

The shoot will be a registered affair under Interstate Association rules. Trophies donated by the Association will be awarded to first and second high amateur averages and long run of the tournament. Arrangements have been made to transport all shooters in attendance over to the Modesto shoot Monday forenoon free of charge.

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Modesto Tournament.—The Owl Rod and Gun Club's ninth annual shoot is billed for Monday, April 12, under Interstate Association registered tournament rules. The schedule calls for nine events—eight at 20 targets each, entrance $2.00, $20 added in seven races and $10 for the last. Event 6, 40 targets, $4 entrance, for Interstate Association trophies to six high guns. The purses in all events, barring the trophy shoot, will be divided in four equal moneys, class shooting.

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Garden City Traps.—George Anderson made the highest score at the shoot last Wednesday of the San Jose Blue Rock Club, breaking 95 out of a possible 100 birds. F. M. Lail, a local man, shot a perfect score in the handicap. Mr. Lail is the oldest blue rock shooter on the Pacific Coast,, having passed his 72nd birthday. E. W. Jack made his first 25 straight.

Guilbert and McCarthy are doing fine for two new shots. The next club shoot will be April 4.

The scores for the day were: George H. Anderson, 95—100; Ada Schilling, 91—100; O. N. Ford, 71—75; E. W. Jack, 68—75; F. M. Lail, 63—75; John Guilbert, 52—75; William McCarthy, 50—75.

George H. Anderson made the longest straight, breaking 48 without a miss.

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Postponed Shoot For Sunday.—The Exposition City Gun Club opening shoot, dated for Easton, Sunday, March 28, was called off by reason of inclement weather and will be held tomorrow.

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Live Bird Shoot.—The California Wing Shooting Club shoot for April will be held tomorrow at the Sobrante trap ground.

STEELHEAD SEASON OPEN.

The steelhead trout season, in the coast streams and creeks, opened Thursday, April 1. But so far as the angling sport figures, the season just opened, that is all. Up to a week previous the prospects for one of the best opening days for the trout fishermen in many years were propitious. The recent inclement weather developed conditions that will put on record, April 1, 1915, as one of the worst in many years.

Reports from all of the nearby fishing resorts were that the streams were bank high and muddy. This, and the cold weather, effectually put a damper on any fly-fishing indulgence for about a fortnight. Bait fishing, however, was and will be in vogue. Even this phase of the sport will be somewhat uncertain, as the full moon this week will enable the trout to feed at night; that is, what fish may be left in the streams, for almost certain it is that the large steelheads have gone out to saline waters during the recent freshets.

NEW FISH AND GAME DISTRICTS.

Redistricting of the State into 29 fish and game districts will be accomplished in Senate Bill 681, by Flint, as passed by the senate, and as it will undoubtedly be passed by the assembly, states the Sacramento Union. The bill represents the desires of the State Fish and Game Commission. Redistricting was found necessary by reason of a recent court decision which declared that one law could not be enacted to apply to a part of one district unless it applied to all of the district. Under the present law the State is divided into only six fish and game districts, but with many local conditions springing up and demanding legislation it is found necessary to so cut up the State that each section, with conditions demanding separate legislation, may fall into one district.

For the purpose of any general legislation which can apply to large territories of the State, four general districts are proposed in the bill. The remaining sections of the State are in turn split up into 25 smaller districts, thus furnishing the means for all of the legislation on fish and game subjects that may be demanded by sectional conditions.

The four large districts are in general defined as follows:

District 1—Siskiyou, Modoc, Lassen, Shasta, Tehama, Plumas, Butte, Yuba, Amador, Calaveras, Alpine, Tuolumne, Mariposa, Madera, Mono, Inyo, Tulare and Kings counties; with portions of Del Norte, Trinity, Sierra, Nevada, Placer, El Dorado, Sutter, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Merced, Fresno and Kern counties.

District 2—Glenn, Lake and Napa counties; with portions of Mendocino, Sonoma, Marin, Solano, Yolo and Colusa counties.

District 3—Portions of Contra Costa, Alameda, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Kern, Fresno, Merced, Stanislaus, San Joaquin and San Benito counties.

District 4—Portions of San Bernardino, Imperial, San Diego, Riverside, Orange, Los Angeles, Ventura and Santa Barbara counties.

The smaller districts formed for the purpose of local legislation along specific lines peculiar to the district are as follows:

District 5—Ocean water between northerly boundary of the State and line extending west from Point St. George in Del Norte county, including all sloughs, streams and lagoons in the county except Smith river from its mouth to Bailey's riffle.

District 6—Ocean waters from Point St. George, Del Norte county, to line extending from Mussel point in Humboldt county, with streams, sloughs, etc., except Klamath river from mouth to mouth of Terwah creek.

District 7—Ocean waters from Mussel point, Humboldt county, to southern boundary line extended of Humboldt county, including waters of Mad river from its mouth to Carson's bridge, waters of Eel river and waters of Salt river as far as high tide line, excluding other sloughs, etc., in Humboldt county.

District 8.—Waters and tide lands to high water mark of Humboldt bay north of line running east apron at approach to south jetty at entrance of Humboldt bay, excluding rivers, etc., emptying into said bay.

District 9.—Waters and tide lands to high water mark of Humboldt bay lying south of line described in District 8, excluding rivers, etc., emptying into said bay.

District 10.—Ocean waters between south boundary line extended of Humboldt county and a line extending southwest from Point Santa Cruz, including waters of Tomales bay and excluding portions of Bolinas and San Francisco bays.

District 11.—Portions of waters and tide lands of San Francisco and Richardson bays to high water mark.

District 12.—Portions of San Francisco bay, together with the waters of San Leandro bay, Oakland creek or estuary, San Antonia creek in Alameda county, Raccoon straits, San Pablo bay, Carquinez straits, Suisun bay, Sacramento river between mouth and bridge at Colusa, main channels of Steamboat slough and Sutter slough, waters of New York slough and Broad slough, main channel of San Joaquin river from mouth to mouth boundary of San Joaquin county, main channel of Old river, area between main channels of San Joaquin and Old rivers.

District 13.—Portions of San Francisco bay.

District 14.—Waters of Scott creek in Santa Cruz county to a point six miles from its mouth.

District 15.—Portion of Monterey bay together with waters of San Lorenzo river and its tributaries.

District 16.—Central portions of Monterey bay.

District 17.—Southerly portion of Monterey bay, excluding all rivers, etc., emptying into Pacific ocean.

District 18.—Ocean waters between line extending west from Point Carmel and south bondary of San Luis Obispo county, excluding all rivers, etc.

District 19.—Ocean waters between north boundary of Santa Barbara county and southern boundary of State, including islands and adjacent waters belonging to State, exclusive of Santa Catalina island and State waters adjacent thereto; also exclusive of rivers, etc.

District 20.—Santa Catlina island, waters adjacent thereto.

District 21.—Portion of San Diego bay inside line from Point Loma to offshore end of San Diego breakwater.

District 22.—Salton sea and Colorado river.

District 23.—Lake Tahoe and Truckee river, including all streams flowing into said river and lake, and also all lands within the drainage basin of said lake and within the State.

District 24.—Portion of Cleveland national forest.

District 25.—Portions of San Benito and Monterey counties embraced within the Pinacles national monument.

District 26.—Portion of Trinity national forest.

District 27.—Big Basin in California redwood park, Santa Cruz county.

District 28.—Portion of Angeles national forest lying within San Bernardino county.

District 29.—Portion of Angeles national forest lying within San Bernardino and Los Angeles counties.

THE ANGLER.

The sky is overcast, a soft wind blows,
The bright cowslip lights the marsh's edge,
The Mayflies skim the stream that winding flows
Beside the bittern's rough nest in the sedge.

With rod and creel the fisher takes his way,
Beyond the smoke and noises of the town.
None plumb so deep as he the joys of earth,
Strolling the banks until the sun goes down.

Between those reedy banks with flags beset,
The twisting waters slide toward the sea—
Each flashing wave with iris gleams alight,
And dancing to its own blithe melody.

With all youth's ardor, all man's practised art,
He throws the supple line aslant the brook,
Where 'neath the drooping alders, in the cool,
Translucent shadows of a silent nook,

Lurks the sleek, spotted beauty of his choice.
Shyest and wisest of the finny host;
Sharp-eyed, suspicious, wary and alert—
A prize full worthy of an Angler's boast.

By many a patient wile he fills his creel,
And with the waning light goes whistling home.
Watching the birds fly up and darkening wheel,
Breathing the odors of the new-turned loam.

The poetry of Spring is in his heart,
It beats with fresh delight and careless mirth,
Of all the heirs of Nature, gay and free,
None plumb so deep as he the joys of earth.

Trade Tips

Rem-UMC Notes—Geo. Reddick, Omaha, Neb., won the Fred Gilbert trophy March 14, scoring 86 x 100 at the traps of the local gun club. S. A. Huntley and Henry McDonald, both of Omaha, were second and third respectively, scoring 84x100 and 81 x 100, all shooting Nitro Club shells. There were 34 enthusiasts present but, owing to the fact that only members of the local club could compete for the trophy, the visitors took part in a number of special matches.

At a two days' shoot held under theauspices of the Rodney (Ont.) Gun Club, S. G. Vance, of Tillsonburg, took first amateur average on both days, making the excellent scores of 98x100 and 188x200. He shot Nitro Club shells, as did H. O. Loane, of Chatham, who gave Vance a good fight, coming in second both days with 96x100 and 183x200.

O. Downs, of Pitman, tied with W. Armstrong, of Richwood, for the cup given by the Ewan (N. J.) Rod and Gun Club on March 13, each scoring 23x25. O. Downs won in the "miss and out" shoot off, using a Remington pump gun and Nitro Club shells. J. Tier, a local shooter, shooting UMC shells, won the day's shoot with 96x100.

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Peters Points.—At the Fred Gilbert shoot of the Golden Gate Gun Club, Alameda, Cal., March 21, Geo. Anderson, of San Jose, Cal., was high amateur, breaking 98x100. High general average for the day was won by T. Wilkes, scoring 50x50. Both gentlemen used Peters Factory Loads.

At Cache Junction, Utah, March 14, O. C. Hillhouse tied for high professional, score 136x150, using Peters shells.

The Fred Gilbert shoot of the Eureka, Cal., Blue Rock Club was a tribute to Peters shells. H. A. Hine was high amateur, breaking 140x150; Ira Russ second, with 131; Dr. C. O. Falk third, with 131, and H. Kelley fourth, with 130. M. O. Feudner was high professional, breaking 141. Each of these gentlemen shot Peters shells, in fact, before the day had closed, every shooter on the grounds, numbering close to 30, was shooting the shells "with steel where steel belongs." The Gilbert cup was won by Roy Poland, who was credited with 87x100 targets.

At Bingham, Utah, February 22, high amateur average was won by Carl Nelson, 140x150, and O. C. Hillhouse was third professional, breaking 126x150. Both used Peters loads.

At Salem, Ore., February 21, H. E. Poston won high general average, 97x100, and Orvil Wilson, high amateur, 95x100, both using Peters Loads.

At Corvallis, Ore., February 22, the three high amateurs all used Peters Loads. Orvil Wilson first with 89; P. Young second 88, and Mark Siddall third 87, out of 100 targets. Jas. E. Reid was third professional, breaking 80.

The San Mateo county roads leading to the streams along the ocean shore were generally in poor condition for either machine or vehicle going. Thursday was a fair day and anglers who could reach the San Gregorio or Pescadero tidal lagoons probably landed a few fish.

THE FARM

TRAIN THE COW IN THE WAY SHE SHOULD GO.

It is a waste of time to try and build up a good dairy herd from scrub stock in these days of the all-ready finished product available. It is worse than a waste of time to spoil a good herd by bad handling; it requires only a few months' time to make confirmed kickers.

The calf, with a milk record behind it, and intended for dairy purposes, should be given the best of chances and handled from the start. My experience with breaking confirmed kickers is that when the habit is once formed, it is there to stay. We own one of this kind now, with a pound of butter per day record. We bought her cheap, because she endeavors to show the milker all the latest steps in the tango and high kicking.

The only chance for the milker is a small chute with bars well pinned, a good stout rope, buckled strap with ring around her leg and a snap on the rope fastened in ring and then to a stanchion. The cow must sit down when she attempts to kick, but she can do no damage to herself or to the milker. One of her heifer calves has been broken to milk and is as gentle as a kitten.

Good fences is another requisite in rearing faultless cows, and another is regular salting. A cow that jumps, kicks, creeps or chews the clothes off of your back will never sell for a fancy price if her faults are known. One of such can soon spoil a whole herd. Train a cow in the way she should go and when she gets old she will not depart from it unless kept in bad company.—Rural World.

NEW DEMAND FOR RAISINS.

It is an ill wind that blows no good, and the great war with its accompanying increase in the cost of living, promises to benefit one of California's greatest industries in an unexpected way.

The demand for wheat to make bread for the support of the gentlemen who are now killing each other on the plains of Europe, has given a boost to the price of that cereal in our own country that very materially affects the historic high cost of living. Bread, for many years past has been steadily decreasing in the size of its loaves while advancing in cost until it really seemed that it could not decrease much more and be anything left, for the money. The bakers are called upon to pay more for their flour, but the consumer will object to having his pound loaf cut down to eight ounces, so it is now proposed to increase the weight of the loaf by adding a plentiful supply of raisins, which weigh heavily, and add very greatly to the food value of the loaf. It is certainly a good way to make weight for it makes the bread better and adds largely to its food value.

It is not improbable that, once introduced, raisin bread will become popular, and even when "this cruel war is over" people who have become accustomed to it will still demand it, and a permanently increased market for our raisins will have been established.

Specialists of the department of agriculture have started a systematic campaign in many parts of the country looking to the elimination of roosters from poultry flocks during the season between May 1st and December 1st. There is an enormous loss in eggs as the result of the fertile egg, this loss being noted especially during the summer and fall months. Thus, for this reason, the department of agriculture recommends the sequestration of the rooster during the period. In Kentucky and Tennessee a "rooster day" is to be held on May 16th of the present year, when an effort will be made to buy up most of the roosters and send them to pot.

Would you throw away good fresh milk right from the cow? Guess you wouldn't, eh? Don't then, let the cows stand out in the cold, shivering, or don't run them with a dog, or "baste" them over the ribs with a milk stool if they don't stand just right. Because you are throwing away good milk when you do these things You will get less milk, anyhow.

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stake winner, world's champion two-year-old pacing gelding (1913), by Dan Logan 2:07½, dam Susie Miller by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, etc. Now four years old and can show as much or more than any pacer in California. Prime for this year's races.

CAPITOLA (2) 2:17¾, (3) 2:14½

stake winner, fastest two-year-old pacing filly of 1912, public trial in 2:06½ as three-year-old, by Dan Logan, dam Lulu Mack by Arthur Wilkes, etc. A great race mare for her class.

BONDALEAN (2) 2:20½

winner of second money in two-year-old division, Breeders' Futurity, 1914, and absolutely the best one in sight for this year's three-year-old pacing stakes. Entered and paid up. Trialed in 2:15 last year. By The Bondsman, dam Katalina 2:11¼ by Tom Smith 2:13¼, etc. As great a youngster as the country affords today.

KATALINA 2:11¼

(dam of Bondalean (2) 2:20½) by Tom Smith 2:13¼, dam Kate Lumry 2:20½ (dam of 5 trotters including Baby Doll 2:10¼, Ella Mac 2:11½, etc.) by Shadeland Onward 2:18½. Katalina was a stake winner, a great aged trotter, and her first foal is a fast, standard performer. She breeds regularly and will become more famous as a producer than is her dam.

TWO-YEAR-OLD FILLY

by All Style 2:10, dam Katalina 2:11¼. Staked, paid up. Good prospect.

BAY FILLY, WEANLING

by The Proof (2) 2:29¾, dam Katalina 2:11¼. Nice individual and bred to make a fast mare.

LULU MACK

(dam of Capitola (3) 2:14½), by Arthur Wilkes, sire of Maymack 2:04½, etc., dam Lady Merrill by Tilton Almont, sire of the dam of Monte Carlo 2:07¼, etc. Good breeder and a proven producer.

BAY FILLY

three years old, sister to Capitola (3) 2:14½, never broken.

FIRST NATIONAL

bay colt, two years old, brother to Capitola (3) 2:14½. Staked, paid up. Fine youngster.

John Malcolm and Bondalean are in training at the State Fair Grounds, Sacramento, their workout days coming on Wednesdays and Saturdays. You can see them at any time and they show for exactly what they are—two of the best young pacers in the land to race in this and future seasons. Prices and particulars of all kind may be obtained upon application by mail or in person to either of the undersigned.

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All previous prices are invalidated—Quotations below are subject to change according to future conditions.

MISS QUEALY (2) 2:26¾

Full sister to MANRICO (3) 2:07¼, winner of Kentucky Futurity 1912, and holder of world's record for sixth heat. Seven years old, trained slightly as a three-year-old and showed half in 1:06 over a half-mile track; has been in training ninety days and recently worked a half in 1:04½; absolutely will not break, good gaited, sound, and a handsome individual. Can trot a two-minute gait and has every right to make a very fast, consistent, good mannered race mare. Price $1750.

ALARICH 2:11¼ (Breeder's mark 2:09),

trotter, bay gelding with black points, 15.3, handsome, sound, fast and game; trialed at Santa Rosa last season in 2:06¾ and can do it again. Is a first class doer, can race twice a week and is eligible to the 2:13 class trots on mile tracks and to the 2:18 class on half-mile tracks; has shown well on the twice-arounds. Price, $550.

HELEN BELLE (2) 2:22½, breeder's

record, bay filly, foaled 1912, good gaited, good headed, sound and extremely fast; was taken up absolutely green on Sept. 3 and has developed in a most satisfactory manner, taking her mark in December, since which time she has been an eighth in :16, half in 1:09. Sired by California's greatest sire of colt trotters, CARLOKIN 2:07½. First dam Carolyn C. by Axtell (3) 2:12 (a champion); second dam by Expedition, sire of Bon Voyage 2:08; third dam by Princeps (son of Woodford Mamb.); fourth dam by Hambletonian 10.

Carolyn C. had two minute speed. This great filly is entered and paid up in the Occident stake, the State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A., and Oregon Futurities for 1915. The best buy in California at $1400.

NELLIE Mc,

black mare, trotter, eight years old, racing sound but is blemished; has always trained sound and I believe will continue to do so. Trialed at Sacramento in 2:10½ and has been a half lately in 1:03¾. Is a splendid mannered mare—anyone can drive her anywhere. She races first class, is fast, good headed, good gaited and dead game.

Sired by ZOLOCK 2:05¼, dam by Wilkes Moor, son of Guy Wilkes.

Stands about 15.3, is a round made extra good looking mare, weighs about 1140, has splendid legs and feet. She negotiates a half mile circle in A-1 style, should surely beat 2:10 this year. Does not pull a pound and can be placed anywhere. Eligible to any class. Price $1000.00.

CARLETA,

bay filly, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ALEXANDRIA, tr. 2:20, by Bon Voyage 2:08; second dam by Oakland Baron 2:09¼; third dam by Allandorf, etc.

This is a good trotter and should be prominent in her stake engagements. Is very handsome, good headed, sound and comes from familes noted for early speed. In training now and improving very fast; trialed recently, half mile in 1:11½, eighth in :16¾.

She is entered and paid up to date in the following stakes: Panama-Pacific $3,000 for two-year-olds, Stanford, Occident, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. Price $1200.

OMAR, gelding,

trotter, trial 2:13¾, half in 1:05, eighths in :15; good headed, sound and can be depended upon. Is a beautifully gaited big horse and should prove useful to race over the twice arounds or for a matinee and road horse. He is fearless and is one of the most pleasant driving horses I have ever ridden behind. Stands slightly over 16 hands, weighs about 1200, is eight years old. Sired by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam Pineapple by Albion (son of General Benton). A present at $350.00.

CARLSCHEN (2) 2:23, breeder's record,

brown gelding by CARLOKIN, dam BONNIE AILSIE 2:08½ (dam of Contention B. (3) 2:08¼) by Faustino, son of Sidney.

Trialed with a little work last year a half in 1:09, is extremely promising and looks to be as good a prospect as any of the colts racing last year in the two-year-old trots. Is engaged in several of the futurities including the P. C. T. H. B. A., Pleasanton and State Fair Futurities. Is a splendid type, beautifully gaited, good headed and has extreme speed. He does it right. Ready to show and trotted a half recently in 1:07. Price $800.00.

HERMES, brown colt,

two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam MISS QUEALY (full sister to Manrico 2:07¼).

This is one of the most promising trotters I have ever handled. Is an especially nice gaited colt, can show a 2:20 gait, is good headed and on the whole the most promising youngster I know of for the western stakes. Is also a show horse. Is entered and paid up in the Occident, Stanford, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. His dam is an extremely fast trotter, having shown a two minute gait in her three-year-old form, and his second dam produced two to hold world's records—Manrico and Don Pronto.

This youngster is spoken of as the most impressive colt trotter at Los Angeles. Trialed lately in 2:29, last eighth in :17½. Price $1500.00.

JOHNNY DUGAN,

3-yr.-old breeder's record 2:16,

pacer, no straps, bay gelding four years old, straight and sound, trialed a half in 1:04 last year in his three-year-old form and could pace around 2:10 in June.

Sire, CARLOKIN 2:07½; dam Annabelle L. (full sister to Murray M. and Robert I. 2:08¾) by Hambletonian Wilkes; second dam Annabelle 2:27½ (dam of La Belle 2:16); third dam by Williamson's Belmont. A great buy at $350.00.

OLD FOLKS,

bay gelding, trotter, five years old, trialed as a two-year-old in 2:31½, as a three-year-old in 2:18½, and in his four-year-old form last May in 2:11, last half in 1:04. Is sound, good gaited, good headed, and should 2:08 this year. Comes from a family of good race horses on both sides—by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam IRAN BELLE, by Iran Alto 2:12¼; second dam ANNABELLE, etc. He stands A-1 with the railbirds around Los Angeles and is in training and ready to go on with and race this year. Price $1250. Working beautifully.

NICOLA B. (2) 2:23¼

Winner two-year-old division Oregon Futurity, 1914.

Received slight injury just prior to going to the races in 1914, up to which time he was the most promising colt in my stable, working mile first part of June in 2:17, half in 1:06. Started twice, was once first, once second. Now in training and has brushed an eighth lately in :16; sound, grand individual, paid up in six western stakes and has every license to win. Son of Carlokin 2:07½ and Atherine 2:16¾, dam of Copa de Oro 2:01, Rags 2:09¼, etc. Price $2250. Getting better daily.

AND ONE FOR THE $20,000 P.-P. I. E. TROTS—RAGS 2:09¼.

winner of the Breeder's and Oregon Futurities, the Stanford and the Occident stakes as a three-year-old, and the Governor's Stake, $5000, as a four-year-old—in all, beaten in but two out of eight starts, second in those two, and beaten only by 2:05 trotters. In my opinion as good a prospect for the big stakes as anyone has. He is a really great race horse, is racing sound, and has developed from an overgrown four-year-old into a sturdy, strong, exceptionally fine individual. Should be engaged in the Panama-Pacific $20,000 stakes, for which I already have entries. None better bred—by Del Coronado and out of the dam of Copa de Oro 1:59, etc. Price $2000.

In addition to the ones above mentioned I will offer to intending buyers JIM CRAM, three-year-old pacer (brother to Chango 2:12¼), the two-year-old pacerSANDY McNABB (staked), FIVE YEARLINGS and SIX TWO-YEAR-OLDS, most of which are in training and ready to show.

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PETER McKLYO 3, 2:12 1-2

will make the season of 1915 in the training stable of James Thompson at the San Jose Driving Park beginning March 15 and ending July 1.

PETER McKLYO (3) 2:12½, the only California-owned son of Peter the Great of an age permitting stud duty, is out of a great-bred young matron by Jay McGregor 2:07¼—Klyo (2) 2:29½; second dam Miss Spears 2:21¾ (dam of 6 including Shakespeare (3) 2:09¾); third dam Medium's Last (dam of 7 including Trampfast (2) 2:14¼); fourth dam Suzanne (dam of 1 and grandam of 10 including Susie J. 2:06½).

This colt is four years old, having obtained his record last season with a very limited amount of work. He came into my hands perfectly green in February, 1914, and developed speed so fast that I had to take his shoes off and jog him for two months barefooted. Being by Peter the Great, the sire of the century, and, as you will notice, out of a daughter of Jay McGregor, another wonderful family of horses, he is one of the best bred young horses in the world and I can truthfully say he is one of the very best individuals that I ever had the pleasure of looking at. He can trot a quarter in 30 seconds, and I am firmly of the opinion that he will trot a mile this fall in 2:06 or better.

Fee, $75 the season with return privilege. Mares pastured at usual rates and accorded best of care, but no responsibility assumed for accidents or escapes. Service fee and pasture bills must be paid before removal of mares. Address for all particulars

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Son of **The Exponent 2:11¾** (by Bingen, dam Iva Dee by Onward 2:25¼), sire of 32 performers including The Temptress 2:08½, 6 three-year-olds, 20 two-year-olds and 1 yearling.

First dam **Chord 2:27** (dam of 4) by Wilkes Boy 2:24½, sire of 4 and the dams of 11 in 2:10; second dam **Sonata** (dam of 3) by Dictator 113, sire of 2 and the dams of 7 in 2:10; third dam **Cadenza** (dam of 2) by King Rene 1278, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10; fourth dam **Virgie Wilkes** (dam of 4) by Geo. Wilkes 2:22, sire of the dams of 16 in 2:10.

In the stud, season of 1915, at Pleasanton Driving Park, at $50 the season with return privilege. We have colts in training to show his qualities as a sire. Grandsons of Bingen are siring champions such as Etawah 2:03½, Anna Bradford (3) 2:00¾, etc. Address for all particulars,

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Derbertha Bells



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DERBERTHA BELLS, foaled 1911, stands 15.3, weighs 1200 pounds, and is of magnificent conformation, style, trotting action and color; being a solid dark bay or brown with splendid mane and tail, massive well-formed limbs and feet, beautiful neck and head, fine, well set ear and eye as kindly as a fawn's and as courageous as a lion's. His breeding can only be hinted at here as he traces 20 times to Hambletonian 10—5 through Electioneer, 5 through George Wilkes, 4 through Strathmore and 4 through Abdallah 15 (the big four of the sons of Hambletonian), and twice through his daughters. This breeding is perfectly balanced by 18 crosses to Mamb. Chief 11—5 of these through his greatest son Mamb. Patchen 58 (leading progenitor of the dams of trotting sires), backed up by 2 crosses to Pilot Jr. 12, 4 to Black Hawk 5, 4 to Imp. Trustee and crosses to such other famous broodmare sires as American Star, The Moor, A. W. Richmond, Williamson's Belmont, etc.

I challenge any man to name a stallion with a broodmare inheritance approaching that of Derbertha Bells,—5 crosses to Green Mountain Maid (dam of 9 and Electioneer), 3 to Alma Mater (dam of 8 and 7 sires, including Alcyone and Alcantara), and 1 each to Miss Russell (dam of 7, including Maud S. 2:08¾ and 6 sires, including Nutwood), Dolly (dam of 4 and 5 sires, including Director, Onward and Thorndale), Beautiful Bells (dam of 11, including 4 world's champions and 10 sires) and Minnehaha (dam of 8 and 6 sires). These are pre-eminently the greatest mares of history in point of number of descendants in the standard list, besides 2 crosses to Bertha, the only mare with 2 in 2:04½, 5 in 2:10 and 13 in the list. Counting duplicates this pedigree contains the blood of 20 mares with an average of 9 performers each, and of the 14 mares appearing in the pedigree of two or more 2:10 trotters in 1910 this pedigree contains 8.

His disposition and deportment are in perfect harmony with his superlative breeding and conformation, all that could be desired. I own a yearling filly by him that stamps him as a sire of the first rank, and I invite the most critical inspection both of him and his get. He will be allowed a few choice mares at $25.00 the season with usual return privilege. Tabulated pedigree upon request.

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Bon McKinney 51480



Cal. State License, Pure Bred No. 1213.

Three-year-old record 2:24½; trial (3) 2:15, 1:05.

Sire of

Bon Courage (2) 2:12¾ **Bon Bell (3) 2:17¾**

Son of **BON VOYAGE 2:08** and **DAPHNE McKINNEY** (dam of Frank N. 2:07¼, etc.), by McKinney 2:11¼; second dam La Moscovita (dam of Bon Guy (3) 2:11¾ and 2 others) by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼; third, fourth and fifth dams also in great brood mare list. Bay horse, in every respect a great individual, with substance, finish, and natural, frictionless trotting action. Very sure foal getter and a steadily rising young sire, his few foals possessing his most excellent qualities to a marked degree. Bon Courage was the only California bred three-year-old to win a heat from Esperanza in 1914.

In the stud, season of 1915, at the **Rush & Haile Ranch, Suisun, Cal.**, season closing August 1st. **Fee, $25 with return privilege,** payable cash at time of removal of mare. Good pasturage at $2.50 per month. For further particulars address

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EXPRESSIVE MAC 2:25 1-2

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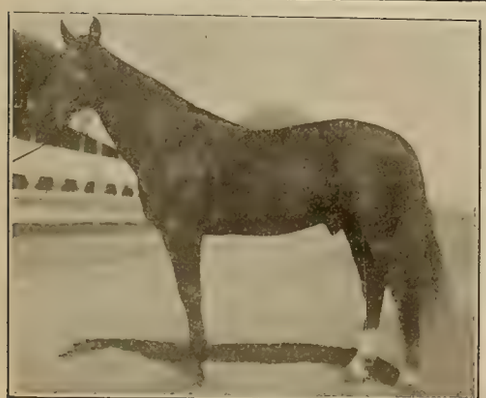
Clara Mac 2:04½ Sire of **Vera Hal 2:05**

Only stallion in California to sire a new 2:05 performer in 1914, and one of three stallions in U. S. to sire two new ones in 2:05 that season.

Also sire of Madam Mac (4) 2:10¼, trial 2:07; Eddy Mac (3) 2:29½, trial 2:13; Nellie Mac, trial 2:18 trotting, good for 2:10 this year, and numerous others with fast trials. In four show classes at Fresno his colts won three firsts, one second.

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PRINCE ANSEL

CERT. 1062

2, 2:20½ A. T. R. 29220

Sire of

Prince Lot 2:07¾
Joseph Ansel (3) 2:12¾
Lottie Ansel (2) 2:14¼
Laura Rogers 2:11¼
Adansel (3) 2:14½
Arista Ansel (2) 2:18¼, etc.

And the dams of

John Malcolm (2) 2:11½, etc.

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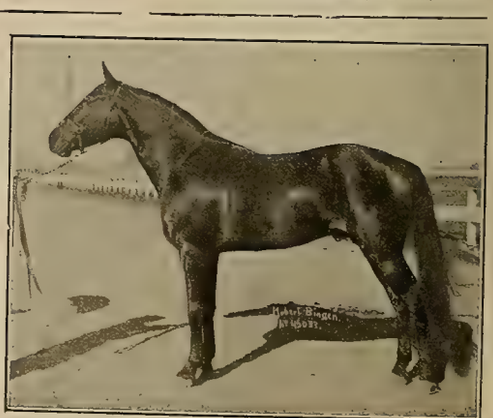
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2:11¼ A. T. R. 45033

Best Bred Son of

BINGEN 2:06 1-4

Sire of **Uhlan 1:58;** 14 in 2:10
First dam **Episode 2:18** half sister to Peter the Great 2:07¾
Second dam **Santos,** dam of Peter the Great 2:07¼, J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, etc.



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COPA DE ORO 1:59
WINNING PERFORMANCE

DURFEE'S STALLIONS

CARLOKIN 2:07 1-2
EXHIBITION MILE 2:05 1-4

Champion Pacing Stallion of the West and Sire of a Champion

Reg. No. 52785. Licensed Pure Bred. Cert. No. 1037

Golden Bay. Height 15.3½. Weight 1160.



Sire of CONTENTION B. (2) 2:24¼, (3) 2:08¼, the latter mark a world's record when made, and but one-quarter of a second removed from present record for three-year-old pacing geldings. Public trial (3) 2:07¼. Also sire of

Chango p. (3).....2:12¼	De Ora (3) 2:17
2-yr.-old record 2:13½.	2-yr.-old record 2:27¼.
Trial (3) 2:09	Gold Lily p. (2)....2:24½

Patrick de Oro p (3)2:22¼, trial (3) 2:08¾, ½-mi. track

Copa de Oro has been retired to the stud for but a very few years and these are from his first foals. Where can you find a stallion whose get have made an equal showing?

COPA DE ORO is the fastest son of Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ (sire of 8 in 2:10); first dam Atherine 2:16¾ (great brood mare) by Patron 2:14¼, sire of the dams of 7 in 2:10; second dam Athene (dam of 2 trotters, etc.) by Harold 413, sire of Maud S. 2:08¾ and the dams of 5 in 2:10; third dam Minerva (great brood mare) by Pilot Jr. 12, sire of the dams of Maud S. 2:08¾ and 3 others in 2:10, etc. He is one of the handsomest horses in the world, as well as one of the fastest, and is undoubtedly the best bred of all extremely fast pacing sires. From the first I heralded him as the Coast's future great pacing sire, and the performances of his youngsters recorded above certainly show that I had most excellent grounds for that belief.

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Champion Trotter and Champion Sire of Trotters in the West

Reg. No. 36548. Licensed Pure Bred. Cert. No. 1038

Mahogany Bay. Height 15.1½. Weight 1060.



Sire of ESPERANZA (3) 2:09, only three-year-old to win every trotting stake for that age on the Pacific coast, and also the following colt performers:

Ethel D. (3).....2:11	Helen Belle (2)....2:22½
Johnny Dugan p (3)2:16	Nicola B. (2).....2:23½
John Warwick (2) 2:17	Santiago (3) 2:24¼
The Lark (3).....2:18½	May Marian p (3)..2:24¼
Carl (2) 2:19¾	Carlrich p (2) 2:24½
Miss Carlokin p 2:20	El Carbine (2).....2:27½
Carsto (2) 2:22½	Eileen C. (3) 2:29
Carlschen (2) 2:23	Carlos (2) 2:29¼
Fulton G. (2).....2:30	

CARLOKIN is the best bred son fo McKinney 2:11¼, foremost among the progenitors of 2:10 speed, being out of that sterling producing matron Carlotta Wilkes (dam of Inferlotta 2:04¾, Mary Dillon 2:06¼, Guy Borden 2:07¼, Carlokin 2:07½, and 6 others in 2:30) by Charley Wilkes 3653; second dam Aspasia (dam of 4) by Alcantara 2:23, sire of the dams of 20 in 2:10; third dam Miss Buchanan (dam of 1) by Clark Chief 89, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10, etc. Carlokin was not only a fast and rugged campaigner, but, point for point, one of the most ideal individuals ever foaled. I chose him from among all the best horses of the country as a prospective great sire, and in 1913-1914 his get won more coast futurities than those of all other sires combined. What more could you ask of them?

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Pleasanton Driving Park

offers for service for the season of 1915 the following stallions:

Joe Patchen II 2:03¼

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 1128.
A. T. R. No. 47491

BEST MONEY WINNING PACER

By JOE PATCHEN 2:01¼, sire of Dan Patch 1:55¼ and 6 others in 2:10.

Dam, Bessie Bonehill 2:05¾ (dam of 2 in 2:10) by Empire Wilkes 2:29¼; second dam Arab Girl (dam of 7) by Crittenden 433, sire of the dams of 6 in 2:10.

Joe Patchen II comes from a long line of famous ancestors and is himself one of the best known and most popular pacers in America, with all the qualities of speed, stamina and individual excellence necessary to the making of a truly great horse—one of the kind you would expect to find after a glance over the array of famous performers owning allegiance to the families from which he comes. He is an excellent breeder, transmitting uniformly his own desirable characteristics and his few foals in California are promising to the highest degree.

Mahomet Watts 2:08¼

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 2312.
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By GEN. WATTS (3) 2:06¾, sire of three three-year-old trotters in 2:10.

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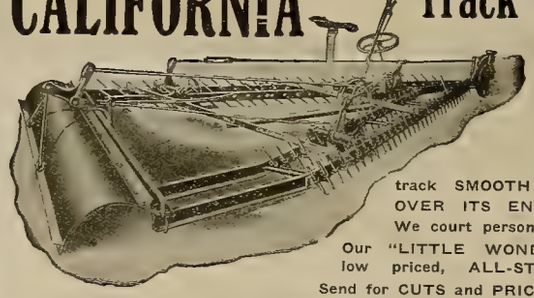


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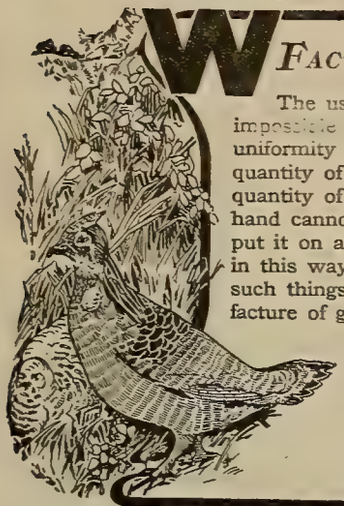
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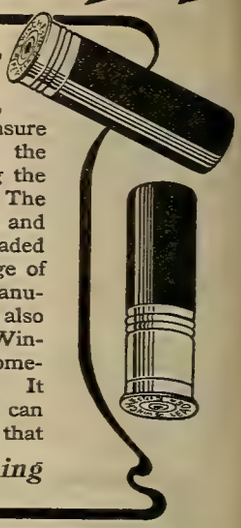
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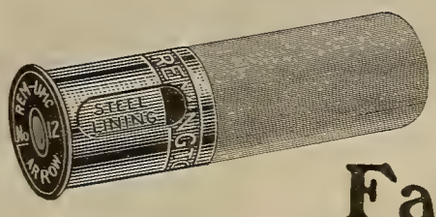


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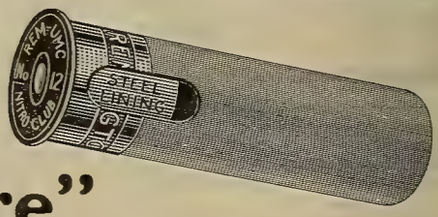


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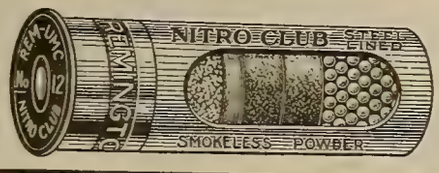
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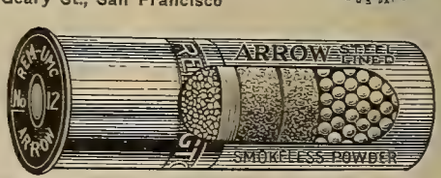
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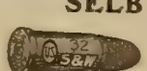
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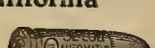
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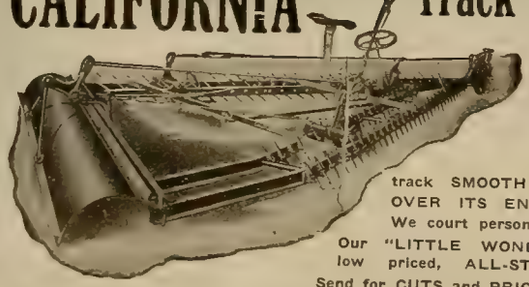
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WOODLAND SALE NEXT THURSDAY.

Judging from the class of consignments received for the event, and the general interest that has been aroused therein throughout this section of the coast country, next Thursday's sale at Woodland Stock Farm should prove a great success from all viewpoints. The horses that are to go under the hammer cover the complete range from yearlings to brood mares, with green and record horses of both sexes and gaits ripe for campaigning present in goodly array. The mares offered by Woodland Stock Farm are of excellent breeding, some in foal and all useful, while the youngsters are the pick of the farm, stake prospects by True Kinney and Prince Ansel, out of such matrons as Ella J. (dam of San Felipe 2:09¼ and Honey Healey 2:08¼) by Bob Mason; Oniska (dam of San Francisco 2:07¾, etc.) by Nutwood Wilkes; Silver Haw (dam of Helen Stiles 2:06¼) by Silver Bow; Princess Viola by Prince Ansel; Eocita (sister to Montalvo 2:13¼) by Moko, dam Mendocita (dam of 4) by Mendocino, grandam Esther (dam of 4, two sires of 6, seven dams of 18) by Express. All of the yearlings are not only staked, paid up and thoroughly broken, but they are trotters of the first degree and will show their qualities at the sale.

E. A. Swaby of Dixon sends two good mares that are trotters in the making, one by Nushagak, dam by Antevolo, and the other by San Francisco 2:07¾ and out of Birdie, the dam of Bodaker. With San Francisco yearlings selling up to $3200, this mare, sound and right and at a nice age for service on track and stock farm, ought to set the bidders to "raising 'em" in good shape.

Airlie Demonio 2:05½ is not only the fastest son of Demonio but he is a great bred one and as game a pacer as ever was hooked up. He is one of the most popular horses at service in Yolo county, and Manager Dowling pleased the public fancy when he secured from Chas. Johnson a consignment of five young "Airlies," all from well bred mares, some registered and others eligible. There will be plenty of bidders for these.

Another famous farm represented is the establishment of J. W. Marshall at Dixon, from which have come so many great race winners in former years. Two fine matrons head the consignment, both proven producers of speed. Madeline Marshall by Demonio, dam Mamie Comet by Nutwood, is the dam of the colt trotters Zoblack (2) 2:24¼ and Zomblack (2) 2:26, the latter with a three-year-old trial at the trot of 2:08¾. Put to pacing last fall, he has developed a lot of whizz at that gait and is entered for the big stakes on the Grand Circuit. Twenty-Three Skidoo is the other matron, the dam of the pacer La Plata that has shown so well at San Jose for Jack Villar. She is by Nutwood Wilkes and out of that great daughter of Director, Twenty-Third, dam of the twenty-five-thousand-dollar trotter Sterling McKinney 2:06¼. They are fit for any farm, no matter how select.

Mr. Marshall also sends three fine youngsters bred in famous speed producing lines, a yearling filly and a two-year-old brown colt, by Palo King 2:28½ and Sirius Pointer 2:15, respectively, both out of the great Ramona (dam of Del Rey 2:03¾) by Demonio, grandam Corolla (dam of Ben F. 2:07¾) by Steinway. The other is a yearling colt by Montbaine, out of Madeline Marshall, and all three are the real "Marshall kind." Such well known horsemen as H. S. Hogoboom, Fred Jasper, Wilbur Smith and others are among the patrons of the event, and their consignments are in no manner behind the others mentioned in general quality.

The sale starts at ten in the morning and lunch will be served on the grounds at noon. In addition to the trotting bred horses, many work animals will be offered, and a deal of miscellaneous stock and farm equipment, so that Auctioneer Wm. Higginbottom has a busy day ahead of him. Don't miss this sale unless you just naturally don't care for bargains in high class horseflesh.

LESS TIME SUPPRESSION.

If we were called upon for an opinion as to the greatest evil that appears at any of the harness horse meetings of the United States, we would unhesitatingly name time suppression.

We have often made the statement that more direct injury has been inflicted upon the sport and its followers in one year through this practice than ringers have caused in all the history of the game. If one would attempt to recall the names of a number of ringers that ever reaped very great harvests, it would be difficult to name very many, but we can easily call to mind a formidable number of campaigners which, through the kindness of the timers, were able to year after year pull down substantial sums, to the detriment of owners and drivers who met them.

The last few years have seen a considerable abatement of this practice and the sharp lessons received by the offenders in some detected cases has had a very salutary effect, but we believe the greatest force ever brought to bear upon the abolishment of this evil will be found in the lowering of the Grand Circuit classes this season and the recognition accorded the fast performers.

Always before the mind of the trainers and owners of a promising half-mile track performer appeared the possibility of their charges developing Grand Circuit caliber and all sorts of schemes have been continually worked to prevent the acquiring of a record so fast as to bar entry to the great classics. Track associations and secretaries were continually solicited to protect horses from a fast record as a condition of entry and, with some associations seemingly always ready to do this, the lot of the track that tried to insist upon time as it was made has been a hard one. But as before stated, we believe that the coming season's racing on the half-mile tracks will be freer from this evil than ever before as the result of the new Grand Circuit practice, and feel that a great benefit to the game is certain to accrue.

With the classics for 2:08 and 2:09 trotters, there is no longer the fear before the owner of a good half-mile track trotter that his horse may be outclassed for the big rings in an effort to win a purse of from $300 to $1,000 on the twice arounds; with the C. of C. for the 2:06 class, there need be no longer such a continuous effort on the part of the manager of a fast pacer to keep his horse's record at about 2:14¼, a very favorite tab with a number of high class pacers of recent years. And we believe that the winrace rule of last year had a very beneficial effect and was largely accountable for the reduction of time suppression last season through the fact that a driver was enabled to make an honest effort to win without the fear that, if his horse was unable to last throughout the race, he would be burdened with such a record that his usefulness would be greatly reduced without any resulting compensation. It is not our desire to mention the names of any track associations, but we can easily recall a number last year where the time hung out differed so little from the time caught by the watches in the crowd that the old timers were absolutely surprised and remarks were freely made commenting favorably upon the managements.

The reasons for the lowering of the classes in the early closing events were such as seemed good to the Grand Circuit managers but from our standpoint a result will be obtained that certainly was not in their calculation, that of aiding very materially in putting an end to time suppression on the half-mile tracks.

It is our temperament to be optimistic on all matters but we strive not to be unduly so, and believe that we are not going beyond bounds in arriving at the conclusion that time suppression will be less in evidence in 1915 than ever before in the history of harness horse racing.—American Sportsman.

WITH JOHN McCLINTOCK'S THANKS.

Hesperia, Apr. 3, 1915.

The Breeder and Sportsman,

Gentlemen: Through the columns of your paper I desire to thank yourselves and all those kind friends and acquaintances who so generously contributed to the fund collected for my benefit and to express my sincere gratitude for the great help given me in this, my time of need.

I want to say to yourselves and all my other friends that the money you sent me will go a long way towards prolonging my life and I sincerely hope that none of my friends or any person in the world will be in my fix.

While I know I am only here for a short while, I wish every one in the world the greatest possible good luck and that they may never be in want.

Sincerely yours,

JOHN McCLINTOCK.

DISCONTINUANCE AT DALLAS.

Perhaps nothing in the way of recent news has been so great a surprise to horsemen as the announcement, which reached us last week just in time for publication, without comment, that the management of the Texas State Fair, at Dallas, had eliminated its speed department in toto, and that there would be no racing of any kind at the 1915 fair.

Nothing more entirely unexpected and, to the public at least, more unpleasant, could well have been given out. For years past the racing at Dallas has been the pre-eminent event of its kind in the great Southwest—and during the last four, owing to expansion in the speed department and the elevation of harness racing to the prime entertainment feature of the fair, it had attracted national attention. Upon the program $5,000 stakes and fixtures of slightly smaller value appeared regularly, which attracted to the Lone Star state the principal stables which had been making each season's history on the Grand and Great Western circuits. It was supposed that this feature of the fair was a permanent one. No whisper had reached the outside world to the contrary, and the announcement, coming as it did, among horsemen and in the turf world generally, has resembled the traditional bolt from a clear sky.

The causes of an action so surprising, so sweeping and so unprecedented must necessarily be, in large measure, occult. Various reasons are being advanced for what has been done at Dallas—none of which appears, on a prima facie basis, convincing. Perhaps the least convincing of all that have thus far reached our notice is one for whose authenticity we cannot vouch, but said to be official. It is, namely, that the directors have been forced to their decision because in the past six years the speed department of the fair has sustained a "net loss of over $100,000." We have referred to the reports of the meetings at Dallas held during this period (1909-1914, inclusive), as printed in the Year Books, and find that the total sum of money competed for in regular races there, exclusive of specials for records, and the like, foots up to but $123,650, all told. For this amount a total of no less than 719 trotters and pacers have competed. In former years a part of the program at Dallas has been for the runners, but this feature was eliminated some seasons ago when the anti-betting laws went into effect in Texas.

How there could be a "net loss" of "over $100,000" on $123,650 worth of races is something difficult to "figure out"—particularly when a total of 719 horses have paid starting fees to compete for that amount, while, manifestly, many hundreds of others have paid entrance fees and forfeits without starting—in 1914 alone a grand total of 732 entries were made to the Dallas harness races. There should, of course, be included in the cost of the racing program the expenses of advertising, salaries of officials, etc. But there should also be placed, as an offset, the major proportion of the gate and grand stand receipts paid by spectators. This latter item, we have reason to believe, those interested in curtailing or eliminating racing programs never take into their calculations at all—a proceeding utterly destitute of equity.

While we dislike to make the statement, many facts and figures coming to our notice during a long term of years have instructed us that the managers of most fairs depend upon the speed department to "pull them out of the hole" and "put over" their enterprise; but, at the same time, adopt a grudging attitude toward that very feature, from the financial standpoint. Not so very long ago the secretary of a prominent state fair complained to us that his speed department was "costing us too much." Upon inquiry, we found that his idea of "cost" was based exclusively upon the respective amounts paid in as entrance fees by the horsemen and that paid out to them as purse-winnings—and that nothing whatever was placed upon the credit side of the racing feature in the way of either gate receipts or grand stand admissions!

It is a very great rarity for a different attitude to be assumed. When it is, some very interesting facts are forthcoming. For instance, Race Secretary John A. King, of the New York State Fair, stated openly, over his own signature, in the Review of February 17 last, that "Our grand stand alone pays more than all the expenses incurred in the speed department." Now, if we compare the racing statistics at Syracuse and Dallas for 1914 we will find that the amounts competed for at both places were almost precisely similar. At the New York State Fair the program was worth $38,400, while at the Texas State Fair it was worth $38,600. However, at Syracuse there were only 12 races, but 63 starters, and but one week's racing; while at Dallas there were 29 races and 214 starters, and the racing extended over two weeks. We have no exact figures at hand for quotation, but according to report the attendance at Dallas last fall ran to 100,000 on the "big" day, while at Syracuse it was much less than half that much. In view of these things, the great discrepancy in the alleged net results, financially, at the two places, is inexplicable.

As a matter of fact, we do not believe any loss on the speed department at Dallas had anything to do with the action taken there. And we do believe that, instead of the racing there having caused a deficit, it has been a source of large profit to the enterprise. We predict, also, that the experiment of giving an exposition of the proportions which the Texas State Fair has assumed without a racing program will prove a failure and that the future will see the reinstatement of the speed department there with a prestige greater than ever.—Horse Review.

Entries for the Exposition Trots

April first was closing day for entries to the class races at the two big meetings to be held in June and November at the P.-P. I. E., and with but few exceptions the fields are generous in size and exceptionally high in class. Only five events at each meeting failed to receive sufficient patronage to justify them being declared closed, and these have been re-opened, to close on June 1, for fifty per cent of the original purse. Doubtless they will receive a more liberal entrance at that date, so that the original program may be given intact.

As our forms go to press fairly early in the week and recent eastern mails have been a bit uncertain, it is quite probable that more entries are on the way, and any arriving will be published next week. Here is the way the fields stand at present:

SUMMER MEETING—JUNE 5 to 19.

SATURDAY, JUNE 5.

No. 1—2:30 Class Trotting—$2000.

Golden State, b g by Stam B.—Zaya by Bay Bird. Blackwell & Hendrickson, Rocklin.
Major's By Guy, br h by Major Dillon—By Guy by Guy Wilkes. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Bon Cres, bl h by Bon Voyage—Kate Kopje by Cresceus. J. J. Campbell, Pasadena.
Blue Finch, br g by Spokane. Marvin Childs, Agt., Pleasanton.
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney—Helen Simmons by Simmons. V. K. Dunne, San Francisco.
Miss Quealey, b m by Moko—Silurian by Wilton. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr by Zombro. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Bertha Pointer, b m by Del Coronado—Belle Pointer by Sky Pointer. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
A. R. G., b h by Gumaer Hal—Claudia Chimes by Chimes. A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
Bessie Custer, ch m by Ed Custer—Valpa by Dark Night. A. G. Ireland, Chicago.
The Proof, br h by The Exponent—Chord by Wilkes Boy. M. C. Keefer, Pleasanton.
Miss Perfection, br m by Gen. Watts—Sue Fletcher by Tregantle. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
McCloskey, b g by Theodosius—Maggie C. by Odd Socks. Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.
Robert Bingen, b h by Bingen—Episode by Ambassador. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.

No. 2—2:08 Class Pacing—$5000.
Did not fill; reopened to close June 1, 1915, for 50 per cent of the original purse.

No. 3—2:08 Class Trotting—$5000.

Albaloma, b g by Almaden D.—Loma B. by Stam B. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Rags, b g by Del Coronado—Atherine by Patron. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Esperanza, b m by Carlokin—My Irene S. by Petigru. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr by Zombro. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Wilbur Lou, ch h by Kinney Lou—Louise Carter by Chestnut Tom. Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet.
Mahomet Watts, b h by Gen. Watts—Alla P. by Palo Alto. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
The Duchess, ro m by Allerteen. Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.
Electric Patch, bl h by Dan Patch—Zella Directum by Directum. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Pass All, bl h by Crystallion—Miss Daisy Deane by Guardsman. E. A. Colburn, Denver.
Peter McCormick, br h by Peter the Great—Pearl Cecil by Cecil W. V. L. Shuler, Pleasanton.
Kid Cupid, ch g by Cupid—Zarina by Dexter Prince. L. B. Daniels, Sacramento.
Vallejo King, bl h by Gen. J. B. Frisbie—Reinette by Dexter Prince. Thos. Smith, Vallejo.
Alberta Dillon, ch m by Sidney Dillon—Miss Lamartine by Lamartine. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg.

TUESDAY, JUNE 8.

No. 4—Two-year-old Trotting—$2000.

Closed. Entries previously published.

No. 5—2:25 Class Pacing—$2000.

A. B. C., bl h by Young Monterey—Rosalie by Dudley. W. B. Alford, Ferndale.
O. U. C., b g by C. The Limit—Rosie Woodburn by Easter Wilkes. S. S. Bailey, Pleasanton.
Mountain Dee, b h by Charley D.—Mountain Maiden by Cresco. S. H. Cowell, Santa Cruz.
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy. J. F. Dunne, Gilroy.
Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro—Bonnie Ailsie by Faustino. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Baby Gommet, b m by Prince McKinney—Arawanna B. by Sidney Dillon. F. Gommet, San Francisco.
Monk, b g by Saraway—Daisy H. by Clark Chief Jr. A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
Zomblack, bl h by Zombro—Madeline Marshall by Demonio. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Miss Harris M., b m by Peter the Great—Mary Allen Stout by Ondale. Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.
Donald, b g by Golden Baron—Kitty by Knight. D. D. McDonald, Sacramento.
Direct Line, b h by Baron Direct—Woodland Echo by Woodline. J. F. McGuire, Denver.
G. C. W., br h by Walnut Grove—Little Queen by Jackdaw. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
Drift Patch, b h by Dan Patch—May Drifton by Drifton B. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Fleeta Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon—Lady Hilda Hills by Wilkes Boy. V. L. Shuler, Pleasanton.
Oro Mo, ch g by Demonio—Hanora by Oro Wilkes. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Marie Fitzsimmons, ch m by Bob Fitzsimmons—Sulphura by Volcano. J. W. Swank, Payette, Idaho.
Frank Perry, b g by Toddington—Lilworthy by Axworthy. Ryan & Webster, Pleasanton.
Josie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Josie D. by Nutwood Wilkes. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
The Badger, br h by Searchlight—Nancy H. by Gambetta Wilkes. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg.

No. 6—2:13 Class Trotting—$2000.
Did not fill; reopened to close June 1, 1915, for 50 per cent of the original purse.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9.

No. 7—2:16 Class Trotting—$2,000.

Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide—Lillian W. by Harry Hontas. Frank Childs, Agt., Pleasanton.
Bon Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney—Helen Keyes by Sidney Dillon. W. A. Clark, Jr., Los Angeles.
Byron, bl g by Tom Moko—Rita H. by McKinney. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Bertha Pointer, b m by Del Coronado—Belle Pointer by Sky Pointer. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr by Zombro. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Mabel, b m by Sir John S.—Babe by Lynmont. G. H. Magruder, Yuba City.
Miss Perfection, br m by Gen. Watts—Sue Fletcher by Tregantle. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Laramie Lad, b g by Master Bo. Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.
Princess Louise, b m by Del Coronado—Louise by Woolsey. Geo. Nugent, Riverside.
Miss Johnson, b m by Happy Treasure—Maud Johnson by Happy Heir. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City, Mo.
Copper the Ore, bl m by Direct Heir—May Kinney by Silkwood. Al Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Great Northern, b g by Wayland W.—Cecile M. by Robin. F. E. Ward, Agt., Los Angeles.
Lottie Ansel, br m by Prince Ansel—Lottie Whippleton by San Diego. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
Seneca Boy, ch g by King Entertainer—Seneca Maid by John Adams. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg.

No. 8—Amateur Free-for-all Trotting—$1000.

Monica McKinney, ch m by Ed McKinney—Judy McKinney by McKinney. Hoffman & Sicotte, San Francisco.
Maymack, b m by Arthur Wilkes—Lady Whips by Whips. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Merry Widow, ch m by G. Albert Mac—Belle Lynn by Diablo. W. Parsons, Salinas.
Jean Arion, b m by Arion—Sarah Shelton by Bedford. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Kid Cupid, ch g by Cupid—Zarina by Dexter Prince. L. B. Daniels, Sacramento.
Vallejo King, bl h by Gen. J. B. Frisbie—Reinette by Dexter Prince. Thos. Smith, Vallejo.

No. 9—2:11 Class Pacing—$2000.

Zorene, ch m by Zolock—My Irene S., by Petigru. P. J. Chalmers, Stockton.
Imbro, br h by Zombro—Athelene by Coeur d'Alene. F. M. Anderson, Portland, Ore.
Kinneysham, br g by Stanford McKinney—Cora Wickersham by Junio. S. H. Cowell, Santa Cruz.
Frank N., b h by Welcome—Daphne McKinney by McKinney. M. Ford, San Francisco.
Soumise, b m by Billy Dunlap—Cricket Basler by Robert Basler. R. L. Friend, Porterville.
Maxine, b m by Jim Logan—Trilby Maid by Black Ralph Jr. Miss Maxine Montgomery, Davis.
Asa Pointer, b g by Star Pointer—Eva H. by Washington McKinney. A. V. Mendenhall, Oakland.
Red Rock, ch g by Louis Wilkes—Red Bird, by E. S. J. F. McGuire, Denver.
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.—Altalena by Altamont. Edward Peterson, Omaha.
Princess Patch, b m by Dan Patch—International Queen by Tom Exum. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
John Malcolm, br g by Dan Logan—Susie Miller by Prince Ansel. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
McVerde, b h by Zolock—Ruinda by Kebir. F. E. Ward, Agt., Los Angeles.
The Beaver, b h by Searchlight—Ripple by Glenbrook. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg.

THURSDAY, JUNE 10.

No. 10—Three-year-old Pacing—$3000.

Closed. Entries previously published.

No. 11—Driving Club Trotting, 2:20 Class—$1000.

Matawan, br g by Athadon—Cora Wickersham by Junio. H. C. Ahlers, San Francisco.
Muggins, ch g by Jack Hawkins Jr. H. Cohen, San Francisco.
Birdeye, ro g by Birdman—Birdie by Jay Bird. A. Combatalade, San Francisco.
Miss Quealey, br m by Moko—Silurian by Wilton. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Sultan, b g by Suomi—Manila by Rockwood. J. J. Gethin, San Francisco.
Graham Bellini, b h by Bellini—Gracie Onward by Onward. G. J. Giannini, San Francisco.
Horseshoe Boy, br g, breeding not given. A. S. Hanks, Oakland.
Howard's Comet, b g by Teddy Ray—Campain Mare by Campain. P. J. Howard, Alameda.
Kate Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon—Katie Darling by John L. Joe Ryan, Sonoma.
Agnes Carter, b m by Nutwood Wilkes—Excella by Monbells. Al Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Future Tramp, b g by Trampfast—Future Princess Ideal by Chimes. T. D. Sexton, Oakland.
Columbia T., b m by Bon Guy—May T. by Monterey. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.

No. 12—2:25 Class Trotting—$2000.

Golden State, b g by Stam B.—Zaya by Bay Bird. Blackwell & Hendrickson, Rocklin.
Major's By Guy, br h by Major Dillon—By Guy by Guy Wilkes. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Bon Cres, bl h by Bon Voyage—Kate Kopje by Cresceus. J. J. Campbell, Pasadena.
Blue Finch, br g by Spokane. Marvin Childs, Agt., Pleasanton.
Dione II, b m by Cupid—Dione by Eros. S. H. Cowell, Santa Cruz.
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney—Helen Simmons by Simmons. V. K. Dunne, San Francisco.
Bertha Pointer, b m by Del Coronado—Belle Pointer by Sky Pointer. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr by Zombro. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Baron Todd, br h by Todd—Baroness Rosalind by Baron Wilkes. Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.
Mary E. Patch, b m by Dan Patch—Prelissa by The Prelate. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Robert Bingen, b h by Bingen—Episode by Ambassador. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.

FRIDAY, JUNE 11.

No. 13—2:18 Class Trotting—$2000.

Matawan, br g by Athadon—Cora Wickersham by Junio. H. C. Ahlers, San Francisco.
Bertha Pointer, b m by Del Coronado—Belle Pointer by Sky Pointer. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr by Zombro. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Kinney de Lopez, ch h by Kinney Lou—Betsey Direct by Direct. Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet.
R. C. H., b g by Fal—Queen by Erect. Holbrook & Hoffman, Helena, Mont.
Bessie Custer, ch m by Ed Custer—Valpa by Dark Night. A. G. Ireland, Chicago.
The Proof, br h by The Exponent—Chord by Wilkes Boy. M. C. Keefer, Pleasanton.
Laramie Lad, b g by Master Bo. Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.
Doctor D. C., b g by Del Coronado. Geo. Nugent, Riverside.
Tropic Dawn, br m by Symboleer—Pandora by Allerton. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg.

No. 14—Driving Club Pacing, 2:15 Class—$1000.

Edith Light, ch m by Aerolite—Edith by Dexter Prince. H. A. Boyle, San Francisco.
Trix McAdrian, br m by McAdrian—Mountain Lass by Mountain Boy. P. J. Chalmers, Stockton.
Mabel Dillon, ch m by Sidney Dillon—Palo Belle by Palo Alto. B. Cohen, San Francisco.
Francisca, b m by Sidmoor—Violet by Abbottsford Jr. Galindo Est. Co., Oakland.
Bradmont, b g by Alto Leyburn—by The Earlmont. G. J. Giannini, San Francisco.
W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince—Psyche. W. J. Kenney San Francisco.
Jack, bl g, breeding not given. McDonnell & Conlan, San Francisco.
Casey Jones, b g by Welcome—Elsie P. Mrs. M. J. McKiernan, San Jose.
Alton S., ch g by Alton—by Silver Bow. A. Sperry, Vacaville.
Oro Mo, ch g by Demonio—Hanora by Oro Wilkes. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Jim Donnelley, b g by Lijero—Pearl Sinclair by Hanford Medium. F. E. Wright, Sacramento.

No. 15—2:17 Class Pacing—$2000.

O. U. C., b g by C. The Limit—Rosie Woodburn by Easter Wilkes. S. S. Bailey, Pleasanton.
Athol R., gr g by Athablo—Edith by Milton R. Jas. L. Bullock, Hanford.
Lizzie Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon—Angela S. by Silent Chimes. C. B. Bowman, Walla Walla, Wash.
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy. J. F. Dunne, Gilroy.
Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro—Bonnie Ailsie by Faustino. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Budweiser, br g by Hal B.—Vevo by Altamont. S. R. Gilbert, Sacramento.
Baby Gommet, b m by Prince McKinney—Arawanna B. by Sidney Dillon. F. Gommet, San Francisco.
Pointer Belle, b m by Star Pointer—Dictatus Belle by Dictatus. J. M. Kidd, San Francisco.
Zoetrix, ch m by Zolock—Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes. J. W. Marshall, Dixon.
Zomblack, bl h by Zombro—Madeline Marshall by Demonio. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Patrick de Oro, b h by Copa de Oro—Easter D. by Diablo. J. W. McClain, Los Angeles.
Hedgewood Patchen, ch g by Hedgewood Boy—Lady Patchen by The Patchen Boy. Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.
Donald, b g by Golden Baron—Kitty by Knight. D. D. McDonald, Sacramento.
Direct Line, b h by Baron Direct—Woodland Echo by Woodline. J. F. McGuire, Denver.
Buzz Patch, bl m by Dan Patch—Heloise Grattan by Grattan. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Fleeta Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon—Lady Hilda Hills by Wilkes Boy. V. L. Shuler, Pleasanton.
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio—Potrero Girl by Prince Airlie. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
McVerde, b h by Zolock—Ruinda by Kebir. F. E. Ward, Agt., Los Angeles.

SATURDAY, JUNE 12.

No. 16—Driving Club Trotting, 2:30 Class—$1000.

Golden State, b g by Stam B.—Zaya by Bay Bird. Blackwell & Hendrickson, Rocklin.
Brutus, b g by Strathway—Minnie C. by Mendocino. S. Christenson, San Francisco.
Muggins, ch g by Jack Hawkins Jr. H. Cohen, San Francisco.
Birdeye, ro g by Birdman—Birdie by Jay Bird. A. Combatalade, San Francisco.
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney—Helen Simmons by Simmons. V. K. Dunne, San Francisco.
Old Folks, br g by Del Coronado—Iran Belle by Iran Alto. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Sultan, b g by Suomi—Manila by Rockwood. J. J. Gethin, San Francisco.
Horseshoe Boy, br g, breeding not given. A. S. Hanks, Oakland.
Howard's Comet, b g by Teddy Ray—Campain Mare by Campain. P. J. Howard, Alameda.
California B., b g by Athasham—Bessie by Botsford. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Berta Lou, ch m by Kinney Lou—Alberta by Altoona. W. Parsons, Salinas.
Eloise Dell, b m by Alconda Jay—Lovely Dell by Prince Lovelace. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Harold K., b g by Wm. Harold—Humming Bird by Lottery Ticket. C. A. Soto, Oakland.

No. 17—2:10 Class Trotting—$20,000.

Final closing date June 1. Former entries previously published.

No. 18—Free-for-all Class Pacing—$5000.

White Sox, b m by Del Coronado—Subito by Steinway. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Dr. Burns, Jr., b h by Doctor Burns—Topsy by Jesse Pennington. Ireland & Leach, Chicago.
Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney—Geraldine by Mount Vernon. J. N. Jones, Stockton.
Jim Logan, b h by Chas. Derby—Effie Logan by Durfee. J. B. Montgomery, Davis.
Joe Patchen II, b h by Joe Patchen—Bessie Bonehill by Empire Wilkes. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Homer Mac, b h by Petigru—Eagletta by Ketchum. J. W. McClain, Los Angeles.
Margot Hal, b m by Argot Hal—Mary Campbell by Tennessee Wilkes. Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.
Dan Logan, b h by Chas. Derby—Effie Logan by Durfee. Warren Pugh, Davis.
Walnut Grove, bl h by Constantine—Lindis by Jackdaw. A. F. Ruthven, Agt., Kansas City.
Zulu Belle, bl m by Petigru—Johannah Treat by Thomas Rysdyk. Al Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Little Bernice, b m by Del Coronado—Pearl Pointer by Sky Pointer. Sam Watkins, Los Angeles.
Clara Mac, br m by Expressive Mac—Clara by Howard St. Clair. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
College Gent, bl h by Kentucky Patterson—Belle H. by Senator Crisp. Jos. Carson, Winnipeg.

TUESDAY, JUNE 15.

No. 19—Amateur Trotting, 2:14 Class—$1000.

Matawan, br g by Athadon—Cora Wickersham by Junio. H. C. Ahlers, San Francisco.
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby. Alex Brown, Walnut Grove.
Bodaker, ro g by Antrim—Birdie by Jay Bird. S. Christenson, San Francisco.
Muggins, ch g by Jack Hawkins Jr. H. Cohen, San Francisco.
Sultan, b g by Suomi—Manila by Rockwood. J. J. Gethin, San Francisco.
Ella M. R., b m by Lord Alwin—Excella by Monbells. G. J. Giannini, San Francisco.
Graham Bellini, b h by Bellini—Gracie Onward by Onward. G. J. Giannini, San Francisco.
Merry Widow, ch m by G. Albert Mac—Belle Lynn by Diablo. W. Parsons, Salinas.
Copper the Ore, bl m by Direct Heir—May Kinney by Silkwood. Al Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Future Tramp, b g by Trampfast—Future Princess Ideal by Chimes. T. D. Sexton, Oakland.
Eloise Dell, br m by Alconda Jay—Princess Dell by Prince Lovelace. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.

No. 20—Amateur Pacing, 2:20 Class—$1000.

Trix McAdrian, br m by McAdrian—Mountain Lass by Mountain Boy. P. J. Chalmers, Stockton.
Mabel Dillon, ch m by Sidney Dillon—Palo Belle by Palo Alto. B. Cohen, San Francisco.
Elinora S., b m by Searchlight. S. H. Cowell, Santa Cruz.
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy. J. F. Dunne, Gilroy.
Francisca, b m by Sidmoor—Violet by Abbottsford Jr. Galindo Est. Co., Oakland.
Bradmont, b g by Alto Leyburn—by The Earlmont. G. J. Giannini, San Francisco.

dweiser, br g by Hal B.—Vevo by Altamont. S. R. Gilbert, Sacramento.
J. K., b g by Dexter Prince—Psyche. W. J. Kenney, San Francisco.
eander, b m by Knight—Mabel by Athadon. J. C. Liggitt, Hanford.
ck, bl g, breeding not given. McDonnell & Conlan, San Francisco.
sey Jones, b g by Welcome—Elsie P. Mrs. M. J. McKiernan, San Jose.
lver Voyage, bl h by Bon Voyage—Silver Belle by Silver Bow. Joe Ryan, Sonoma.
wer Patch, b h by Dan Patch—Effie Powers by Anderson Wilkes. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
ondalean, b h by The Bondsman—Katalina by Tom Smith. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
arie Fitzsimmons, ch m by Bob Fitzsimmons—Sulphura by Volcano. J. W. Swank, Payette, Idaho.
he Fool, b g by Dick Russell—Babe T. by Rajah. I. L. Tucker, Oroville.
om Style, br h by All Style—Annabelle by Arner. I. L. Tucker, Oroville.
rank Perry, b g by Toddington—Lilworthy by Axworthy. Ryan & Webster, Pleasanton.
im Donnelley, b g by Lijero—Pearl Sinclair by Hanford Medium. F. E. Wright, Sacramento.

No. 21—2:20 Class Pacing—$2000.

. B. C., bl h by Young Monterey—Rosalie by Dudley. W. B. Alford, Ferndale.
. U. C., b g by C. The Limit—Rosie Woodburn by Easter Wilkes. S. S. Bailey, Pleasanton.
Mountain Dee, b h by Charley D.—Mountain Maiden by Cresco. S. H. Cowell, Santa Cruz.
Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro—Bonnie Ailsie by Faustino. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Monk, b g by Saraway—Daisy H. by Clark Chief Jr. A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
Madam Mac, br m by Expressive Mac—by Hawthorne. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Hedgewood Patchen, ch g by Hedgewood Boy—Lady Patchen by The Patchen Boy. Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.
Donald, b g by Golden Baron—Kitty by Knight. D. D. McDonald, Sacramento.
J. C. W., br h by Walnut Grove—Little Queen by Jackdaw. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
Drift Patch, b h by Dan Patch—May Drifton by Drifton B. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio—Potrero Girl by Prince Airlie. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Josie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Josie D. by Nutwood Wilkes. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
The Badger, br h by Searchlight—Nancy H. by Gambetta Wilkes. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16.

No. 22—Two-year-old Pacing, $2000.

Closed. Entries previously published.

No. 23—2:12 Class Trotting—$2000.

Harold C., br g by Bon Voyage—by Silver Bow. S. H. Burns, Tormey, Cal.
Bon Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney—Helen Keyes by Sidney Dillon. W. A. Clark Jr., Los Angeles.
Monica McKinney, ch m by Ed McKinney—Judy McKinney by McKinney. Hoffman & Sicotte, San Francisco.
Bertha Carey, b m by Zombro—Nell by Bob Mason. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Adbell M., b h by Moko—Miss Adbell by Adbell. Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.
John Mack, b g by Geo. A. Fuller—Ida Purple by Cutting. F. L. McQuilty, Curran, Ill.
Tom Smith, b g by Greenroi—Specks by Conrad. Edward Peterson, Omaha.
Moko Hall, bl h by Walnut Hall—Daisy Wilkes by Moko. F. J. Ruhstaller, Sacramento.
John Gwynne, b g by McMyrtle—by Secretary. V. L. Shuler, Pleasanton.
Dr. Wayo, b h by Wilkhurst—Treville by Trevillian. F. E. Ward, Agt., Los Angeles.

No. 24—2:13 Class Pacing—$2000.

Did not fill; reopened to close June 1, 1915, for 50 per cent of the original purse.

THURSDAY, JUNE 17.

No. 25—Amateur Free-for-all Pacing—$1000.

Soumise, b m by Billy Dunlap—Cricket Basler by Robert Basler. R. L. Friend, Porterville.
Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney—Geraldine by Mount Vernon. J. N. Jones, Stockton.
W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince—Psyche. W. J. Kenney, San Francisco.
Vernon McKinney, b h by Guy McKinney—Maud Vernon by Mount Vernon. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Dick W., b g by Athadon. Al Schwartz, Pleasanton.
John Malcolm, br g by Dan Logan—Susie Miller by Prince Ansel. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Little Bernice, b m by Del Coronado—Pearl Pointer by Sky Pointer. Sam Watkins, Los Angeles.

No. 26—2:20 Class Trotting—$2000.

Major's By Guy, br h by Major Dillon—By Guy by Guy Wilkes. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Ateka, b m by Athasham—Bessie by Botsford. H. A. Boyle, San Francisco.
Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide—Lillian W. by Harry Hontas. Frank Childs, Pleasanton.
Dione II, b m by Cupid—Dione by Eros. S. H. Cowell, Santa Cruz.
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney—Helen Simmons by Simmons. V. K. Dunne, San Francisco.
Old Folks, b g by Del Coronado—Iran Belle by Iran Alto. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Bertha Pointer, b m by Del Coronado—Belle Pointer by Sky Pointer. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
A. R. G., b h by Gumaer Hal—Claudia Chimes by Chimes. A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
Kinney de Lopez, ch h by Kinney Lou—Betsey Direct by Direct. Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet.
Bessie Custer, ch m by Ed Custer—Valpa by Dark Night. A. G. Ireland, Chicago.
Miss Perfection, br m by Gen. Watts—Sue Fletcher by Tregantle. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Baron Todd, br h by Todd—Baroness Rosalind by Baron Wilkes. Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.
Agnes Carter, b m by Nutwood Wilkes—Excella by Monbells. Al Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Robert Bingen, b h by Bingen—Episode by Ambassador. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
Tropic Dawn, br m by Symboleer—Pandora by Allerton. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg.

No. 27—2:17 Class Trotting—$2000.

Did not fill; reopened to close June 1, 1915, for 50 per cent of the original purse.

FRIDAY, JUNE 18.

No. 28—Three-year-old Trotting—$5000.

Closed. Entries previously published.

No. 29—2:14 Class Trotting—$2000.

Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby. Alex Brown, Walnut Grove.
Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide—Lillian W. by Harry Hontas. Frank Childs, Pleasanton.
Bon Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney—Helen Keyes by Sidney Dillon. W. A. Clark Jr., Los Angeles.
Mabel, b m by Sir John S.—Babe by Lynmont. G. H. Magruder, Yuba City.
McCloskey, br g by Theodosius—Maggie C. by Odd Socks. Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.
Laramie Lad, b g by Master Bo. Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.
Doctor D. C., b g by Del Coronado. Geo. Nugent, Riverside.
Miss Johnson, b m by Happy Treasure—Maud Johnson by Happy Heir. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
Copper the Ore, bl m by Direct Heir—May Kinney by Silkwood. Al Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Future Tramp, b g by Trampfast—Future Princess Ideal by Chimes. T. D. Sexton, Oakland.
Nearest Alto McKinney, br g by Nearest McKinney—Iran Belle by Iran Alto. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Lottie Ansel, br m by Prince Ansel—Lottie Whippleton by San Diego. Woodland Stock Farm Woodland.
Seneca Boy, ch g by King Entertainer—Seneca Maid by John Adams. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg.

No. 30—2:19 Class Pacing—$2000.

Athol R., gr g by Athablo—Edith by Milton R. Jas. L. Bullock, Hanford.
Mountain Dee, b h by Charley D.—Mountain Maiden by Cresco. S. H. Cowell, Santa Cruz.
Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro—Bonnie Ailsie by Faustino. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Budweiser, br g by Hal B.—Vevo by Altamont. S. R. Gilbert, Sacramento.
Baby Gommet, b m by Prince McKinney—Arawanna B. by Sidney Dillon. F. Gommet, San Francisco.
Zoetriz, ch m by Zolock—Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes. J. W. Marshall, Dixon.
Madam Mac, br m by Expressive Mac—by Hawthorne. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Patrick de Oro, b h by Copa de Oro—Easter D. by Diablo. J. W. McClain, Los Angeles.
Miss Harris M., b m by Peter the Great—Mary Allen Stout by Ondale. Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.
Donald, b g by Golden Baron—Kitty by Knight. D. D. McDonald, Sacramento.
Direct Line, b h by Baron Direct—Woodland Echo by Woodline. J. F. McGuire, Denver.
Buzz Patch, bl m by Dan Patch—Heloise Grattan by Grattan. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Fleeta Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon—Lady Hilda Hills by Wilkes Boy. V. L. Shuler, Pleasanton.
The Fool, b g by Dick Russell—Babe T. by Rajah. I. L. Tucker, Oroville.
Frank Perry, b g by Toddington—Lilworthy by Axworthy. Ryan & Webster, Pleasanton.
Josie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Josie D. by Nutwood Wilkes. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.

SATURDAY, JUNE 19.

No. 31—2:15 Class Pacing—$2000.

Sirius Pointer, b h by Star Pointer—Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes. H. H. Boomer, Spokane, Wash.
Lizzie Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon—Angela S. by Silent Chimes. C. E. Bowman, Walla Walla.
Jim Hill, b g by The Commonwealth—Indian Girl. F. M. Anderson, Portland, Ore.
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy. J. F. Dunne, Gilroy.
Hamburg Belle, b m by Stillwell—Lucy by Memphis. John Ginocchio, San Francisco.
Monk, b g by Saraway—Daisy H. by Clark Chief Jr. A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince—Psyche. W. J. Kenney, San Francisco.
Pointer Belle, b m by Star Pointer—Dictatus Belle by Dictatus. J. M. Kidd, San Francisco.
Maxine, b m by Jim Logan—Trilby Maid by Black Ralph Jr. Miss Maxine Montgomery, Davis.
Asa Pointer, b g by Star Pointer—Eva H. by Washington McKinney. A. V. Mendenhall, Oakland.
Hedgewood Patchen, ch g by Hedgewood Boy—Lady Patchen by The Patchen Boy. Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio—Potrero Girl by Prince Airlie. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
McVerde, b h by Zolock—Ruinda by Kebir. F. E. Ward, Agt., Los Angeles.
Strathtell, b h by Motell—Ruth Strathberry by Strathberry. Jos. Carson, Winnipeg.

No. 32—Free-for-all Class Trotting—$5000.

Did not fill; reopened to close June 1, 1915, for 50 per cent of the original purse.

No. 33—2:10 Class Trotting—$20,000.

Final closing date June 1. Former entries previously published.

FALL MEETING

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30.

No. 1—2:20 Class Trotting—$2000.

Matawan, br g by Athadon—Cora Wickersham by Junio. H. C. Ahlers, San Francisco.
Major's By Guy, br h by Major Dillon—By Guy by Guy Wilkes. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby. Alex Brown, Walnut Grove.
Major By By, ch g by Major Dillon—By By by Nutwood. Marvin Childs, Pleasanton.
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney—Helen Simmons by Simmons. V. K. Dunne, San Francisco.
Bertha Pointer, b m by Del Coronado—Belle Pointer by Sky Pointer. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr by Zombro. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Miss Quealey, b m by Moko—Silurian by Wilton. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Policia, ch m by Best Policy—Alta Almont by Prince Almont. Mrs. I. M. Lipson, Tulare.
Sutter Girl, b m by Sir John S.—Babe by Lynmont. G. H. Magruder, Yuba City.
Pronto J., bl g by Strathway. R. D. Morrison, Hemet.
Mary E. Patch, b m by Dan Patch—Prelissa by The Prelate. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Agnes Carter, b m by Nutwood Wilkes—Excella by Monbells. Al Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Robert Bingen, b h by Bingen—Episode by Ambassador. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.

No. 2—2:10 Class Trotting—$20,000.

Final closing date June 1. Former entries previously published.

No. 3—Occident Stake—$2500.

Closed. Nominations published when made. Three-year-old trotters.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 1.

No. 4—2:15 Class Trotting—$2000.

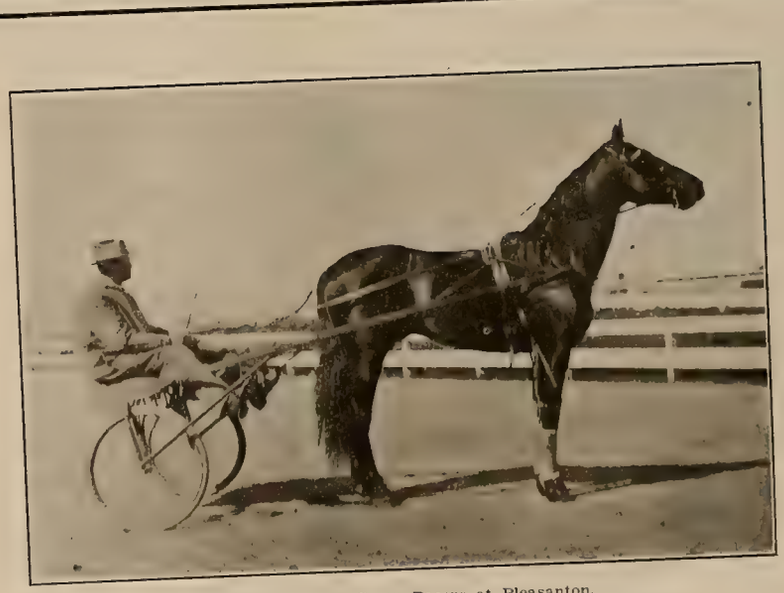
Matawan, br g by Athadon—Cora Wickersham by Junio. H. C. Ahlers, San Francisco.
Irving Heart, b h by Great Heart—Crawford Mare by Piloteer. H. W. Buckbee, Rockford, Ill.
Bon Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney—Helen Keyes by Sidney Dillon. W. A. Clark, Jr., Los Angeles.
Kinney de Lopez, ch h by Kinney Lou—Betsey Direct by Direct. Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet.
R. C. H., b g by Fal—Queen by Erect. Holbrook & Hoffman, Helena, Mont.
The Proof, br h by The Exponent—Chord by Wilkes Boy. M. C. Keefer, Pleasanton.
Mabel, b m by Sir John S.—Babe by Lynmont. G. H. Magruder, Yuba City.
Miss Johnson, b m by Happy Treasure—Maud Johnson by Happy Heir. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
Nearest Alto McKinney, br g by Nearest McKinney—Iran Belle by Iran Alto. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Lottie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Lottie Whippleton by San Diego. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.

No. 5—Free-for-all Trotting, Driving Club—$2000.

Esperanza, b m by Carlokin—My Irene S. by Petigru. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Rags, b g by Del Coronado—Atherine by Patron. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Sultan, b g by Suomi—Manila by Rockwood. J. J. Gethin, San Francisco.
Graham Bellini, b h by Bellini—Gracie Onward by Onward. G. J. Giannini, San Francisco.
Ella M. R., b m by Lord Alwin—Excella by Monbells. G. J. Giannini, San Francisco.
Monica McKinney, ch m by Ed McKinney—Judy McKinney by McKinney. Hoffman & Sicotte, San Francisco.
Maymack, b m by Arthur Wilkes—Lady Whips by Whips. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Merry Widow, ch m by G. Albert Mac—Belle Lynn by Diablo. W. Parsons, Salinas.
Jean Arion, b m by Arion—Sarah Shelton by Bedford. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Copper the Ore, bl m by Direct Heir—May Kinney by Silkwood. Al Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Future Tramp, b g by Trampfast—Future Princess Ideal by Chimes. T. D. Sexton, Oakland.
Vallejo King, bl h by Gen. J. B. Frisbie—Reinette by Dexter Prince. Thos. Smith, Vallejo.

No. 6—2:09 Class Pacing—$2500.

O. U. C., b g by C. The Limit—Rosie Woodburn by Easter Wilkes. S. S. Bailey, Pleasanton.
Athol R., gr g by Athablo—Edith by Milton R. Jas. L. Bullock, Hanford.
Don Conamore, b g by Don Densmore—Francona by Greystone. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D.
Soumise, b m by Billy Dunlap—Cricket Basler by Robert Basler. R. L. Friend, Porterville.
Patrick de Oro, b h by Copa de Oro—Easter D. by Diablo. J. W. McClain, Los Angeles.
Donald, b g by Golden Baron—Kitty by Knight. D. D. McDonald, Sacramento.
Dan Logan, b h by Chas. Derby—Effie Logan by Durfee. Warren Pugh, Davis.
Walnut Grove, bl h by Constantine—Lindis by Jackdaw. J. A. Young, Port Arthur, Texas.
John Malcolm, br g by Dan Logan—Susie Miller by Prince Ansel. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.



One of the best Green Pacers at Pleasanton,
ZOMBLACK, BY ZOMBRO

Dam Madeline Marshall by Demonio, grandam Mamie Comet by Nutwood. Trialed as a three-year-old in 2:08¾, trotting, and has "come" rapidly at the pace since last fall, working Pleasanton track in 2:10 some days ago. C. L. DeRyder up.

Conqueror, br g by Direct Heir—La Belle by Sidney. Valencia Farm, San Bernardino.
Dazzle Patch, br h by Dan Patch—Renline by Online. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
The Beaver, br h by Searchlight—Ripple by Glenbrook. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg, Can.
Major Ong, b g by Major Gantz—Bessie J. by Iowa Sentinel. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Dustless McKinney, b h by McKinney—Dustless Queen by Mambrino King. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Derby Custer, ch h by Ed. Custer—Princess Derby by Chas. Derby. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 2.

No. 7—2:12 Class Trotting—$2500.

Did not fill; reopened to close June 1, 1915, for 50 per cent of the original purse.

No. 8—Breeders Futurity—$1450.

Closed. Nominations published when made. Two-year-old trotters.

No. 9—2:12 Class Pacing—$2000.

Pointer's Daughter, b m by Star Pointer—Banker's Daughter by Arthur Wilkes. G. L. Blosser, Santa Maria.
Don C., ch g by Mexican Chief—Molly by Hedgewood Boy. H. W. Buckbee, Rockford, Ill.
Trix McAdrian, br m by McAdrian—Mountain Lass by Mountain Boy. P. J. Chalmers, Stockton.
Imbro, br h by Zombro—Athelene by Coeur d'Alene. F. M. Anderson, Portland, Ore.
Don B., br g by Don Densmore—Mary B. by Mexicanno. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, S. D.
William G., ch g by Clarence Wilkes—Wax by Senator Boggs. Wm. Duncan, Agt., Colusa.
Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro—Bonnie Ailsie by Faustino. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Frank N., b h by Welcome—Daphne McKinney by McKinney. Martin Ford, San Francisco.
Hamburg Belle, b m by Stillwell—Lucy by Memphis, John Ginocchio, San Francisco.
Monk, b g by Saraway—Daisy H. by Clark Chief Jr. A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
F. H. Holloway, ch g by Geo. W. McKinney—Lady Zombro by Zombro. R. D. Morrison, Hemet.
Zomblack, bl h by Zombro—Madeline Marshall by Demonio. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Red Rock, ch g by Louis Wilkes—Red Bird by E. S. J. F. McGuire, Denver.
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.—Altalena by Altamont. Edward Peterson, Omaha.
Princess Patch, b m by Dan Patch—International Queen by Tom Exum. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio—Potrero Girl by Prince Airlie. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Dustless McKinney, b h by McKinney—Dustless Queen by Mambrino King. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Derby Custer, ch. h by Ed. Custer—Princess Derby by Chas. Derby. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 3.

No. 10—2:30 Class Trotting—$2000.

Golden State, b g by Stam B.—Zaya by Bay Bird. Blackwell & Hendrickson, Rocklin.
Major's By Guy, br h by Major Dillon—By Guy by Guy Wilkes. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby. Alex Brown, Walnut Grove.
Bon Cres, bl h by Bon Voyage—Kate Kopje by Cresceus. J. J. Campbell, Pasadena.
Lauretta Todd, b m by Sorrento Todd—Silver Tier by Ashton W. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D.
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney—Helen Simmons by Simmons. V. K. Dunne, San Francisco.
Bertha Pointer, b m by Del Coronado—Belle Pointer by Sky Pointer. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr by Zombro. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Miss Quealey, b m by Moko—Silurian by Wilton. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
A. R. G., b h by Gumaer Hal—Claudia Chimes by Chimes. A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
Pronto J., bl g by Strathway. R. D. Morrison, Hemet.
Miss Perfection, br m by Gen. Watts—Sue Fletcher by Tregantle. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Little Grove, br h by Walnut Grove—May Day by Roy Wood. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
Robert Bingen, b h by Bingen—Episode by Ambassador. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great—Jenny Scott by Bryson. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Margaret Parrish, b m by Vice Commodore—Lady Leyburn by Arion. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

No. 11—2:15 Class Pacing—$2000.

A. B. C., bl h by Young Monterey—Rosalie by Dudley. W. B. Alford, Ferndale.
Lizzie Dillon, br m by Sidney Dillon—Angela S. by Silent Chimes. C. E. Bowman, Walla Walla.
Sirius Pointer, b h by Star Pointer—Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes. H. H. Boomer, Spokane.
Lillian Green, br m by Col. Green—Lillian Zolock by Zolock. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D.
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy. J. F. Dunne, Gilroy.
Baby Gommet, b m by Prince McKinney—Arawanna B. by Sidney Dillon. F. Gommet, San Francisco.
Prince Zolock, bl h by Zolock—Princess Direct by Teddy A. H. A. Gardner, Walla Walla.
Marlin, b g by Dialect-Clarence Wilkes. H. S. Hogoboom, Woodland.
Pointer Belle, b m by Star Pointer—Dictatus Belle by Dictatus. J. M. Kidd, San Francisco.
Maxine, b m by Jim Logan—Trilby Maid by Black Ralph Jr. Miss Maxine Montgomery, Davis.
Direct Line, b h by Baron Direct—Woodland Echo by Woodline. J. F. McGuire, Denver.
Buzz Patch, bl m by Dan Patch—Heloise Grattan by Grattan. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Oro Mo, ch g by Demonio—Hanora by Oro Wilkes. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Ben Corbett Jr., b g by Ben Corbett—Miss Thompson by Thompson. W. L. Young, Santa Maria.
Strathtell, b h by Motell—Ruth Strathberry by Strathberry. Jos. Carson, Winnipeg, Can.
Hal S., rn g by Hal Chaffin—Bessie Hal by Red Hal. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Jean, b m by Flosko. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Peter Farren, b h by Peter the Great—Nelly Farren by Jay Bird. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

No. 12—Free-for-all Pacing, Driving Club—$2000.

White Sox, b m by Del Coronado—Subito by Steinway. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney—Geraldine by Mount Vernon. J. N. Jones, Stockton.
W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince—Psyche. W. J. Kenney, San Francisco.
Vernon McKinney, b h by Guy McKinney—Maude Vernon by Mount Vernon. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Homer Mac, b h by Petigru—Eagletta by Ketchum. J. W. McClain, Los Angeles.
Dick W., b g by Athadon. Al Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Teddy Bear, b h by Del Coronado—Queen S. by Sable Wilkes. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Little Bernice, b m by Del Coronado—Pearl Pointer by Sky Pointer. Sam Watkins, Los Angeles.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 4.

No. 13—2:17 Class Trotting—$2000.

Matawan, br g by Athadon—Cora Wickersham by Junio. H. C. Ahlers, San Francisco.
Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide—Lillian W. by Harry Hontas. Frank Childs, Pleasanton.
Major By By, ch g by Major Dillon—By By by Nutwood. Marvin Childs, Pleasanton.
Old Folks, br g by Del Coronado—Iran Belle by Iran Alto. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Miss Quealey, b m by Moko—Silurian by Wilton. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Bertha Pointer, b m by Del Coronado—Belle Pointer by Sky Pointer. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
R. C. H., b g by Fal—Queen by Erect. Holbrook & Hoffman, Helena, Mont.
The Proof, br h by The Exponent—Chord by Wilkes Boy. M. C. Keefer, Pleasanton.
Policia, ch m by Best Policy—Alta Almont by Prince Almont. Mrs. I. M. Lipson, Tulare.
Col. Cochrane, Jr., b h by Col. Cochrane—The Wild Rose by Red Medium. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Margaret Parrish, b m by Vice Commodore—Lady Leyburn by Arion. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Barbara Overton, b m by Sahib—Mabel Swope by Ashland Wilkes. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

No. 14—State Fair Futurity—$2000.

Closed. Nominations published when made. Three-year-old trotters.

No. 15—2:10 Class Pacing—$2500.

Did not fill; reopened to close June 1, 1915, for 50 per cent of the original purse.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 5.

No. 16—2:13 Class Trotting—$2000.

Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby. Alex Brown, Walnut Grove.
Irving Heart, b h by Great Heart—Crawford Mare by Piloteer. H. W. Buckbee, Rockford, Ill.
Bon Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney—Helen Keyes by Sidney Dillon. W. A. Clark, Jr., Los Angeles.
John Mack, b g by Geo. A. Fuller—Ida Purple by Cutting. F. L. McQuilty, Curran, Ill.
Moko Hall, bl h by Walnut Hall—Daisy Wilkes by Moko. F. J. Ruhstaller, Sacramento.
Future Tramp, b g by Trampfast—Future Princess Ideal by Chimes. T. D. Sexton, Oakland.
Great Isle, b h by Peter the Great—Belle Isle by Actell. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen—Lizzie Belle Smith by Geo. Simmons. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Sadie S., b m by Archdale—Catherine S. by Patronage. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Boma, b m by Bingara—Kavala by Kremlin. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

No. 17—2:25 Class Pacing—$2000.

O. U. C., b g by C. The Limit—Rosie Woodburn by Easter Wilkes. S. S. Bailey, Pleasanton.
Athol R., gr g by Athablo—Edith by Milton R. Jas. L. Bullock, Hanford.
Sadie Densmore, ch m by Don Densmore—Florence D. by Col. McCoy. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D.
William G., ch g by Clarence Wilkes—Wax by Senator Boggs. Wm. Duncan, Agt., Colusa.
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy. J. F. Dunne, Gilroy.
Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro—Bonnie Ailsie by Faustino. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Baby Gommet, b m by Prince McKinney—Arawanna B. by Sidney Dillon. F. Gommet, San Francisco.
Monk, b g by Saraway—Daisy H. by Clark Chief Jr. A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
Mack Fitzsimmons, ch g by Bob Fitzsimmons—Jennie High Noon by High Noon. B. F. Jaggar, Portland.
Nealy Stanley II, ch f by Kinney de Lopez—Nealy Stanley by On Stanley. Jas. O. Mercer, Regina.
Mollie, b m by Knox—Pet. M. G. Leggitt, Hanford.
Trilby, b m by Sir John S.—Babe by Lynmont. G. H. Magruder, Yuba City.
Zoe Trix, ch m by Zolock—Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes. J. W. Marshall, Dixon.
F. H. Holloway, ch g by Geo. W. McKinney—Lady Zombro by Zombro. R. D. Morrison, Hemet.
Zomblack, bl h by Zombro—Madeline Marshall by Demonio. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Donald, b g by Golden Baron—Kitty by Knight. D. D. McDonald, Sacramento.
G. C. W., br h by Walnut Grove—Little Queen by Jackdaw. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
Drift Patch, b h by Dan Patch—May Drifton by Drifton B. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Fleeta Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon—Lady Hilda Hills by Wilkes Boy. V. L. Shuler, Pleasanton.
Josie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Josie D. by Nutwood Wilkes. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
Ben Corbitt, Jr., b g by Ben Corbitt—Miss Thompson by Thompson. W. L. Young, Santa Maria.
The Badger, br h by Searchlight—Nancy H. by Gambetta Wilkes. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg.
Jean, b m by Flosko. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Peter Farren, b h by Peter the Great—Nelly Farren by Jay Bird. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

No. 18—State Fair Futurity—$400.

Closed. Nominations published when made. Two-year-old pacers.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 6.

No. 19—2:08 Class Trotting—$5000.

Albaloma, b g by Almaden D.—Loma B. by Stam B. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Rags, b g by Del Coronado—Atherine by Patron. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Esperanza, b m by Carlokin—My Irene S. by Petigru. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr by Zombro. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Axtien, ch h by Axworthy—Protien by Glenwold. S. Harris, Plymouth, Ill.
Wilbur Lou, ch h by Kinney Lou—Louise Carter by Chestnut Tom. Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet.
Gold Dollar, ch g by Pulsus—Daisy Golddust by Emerson Golddust. Gus Macey, Huntsville, Ala.
Mahomet Watts, b h by Gen. Watts—Alla P. by Palo Alto. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Dean Swift, b g by Almaden D.—Fashion by Kentucky. D. D. McDonald, Sacramento.
Electric Patch, bl h by Dan Patch—Zella Directum by Directum. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Pass All, bl h by Crystallion—Miss Daisy Deane by Guardsman. E. A. Colburn, Denver.
Peter McCormick, br h by Peter the Great—Pearl Cecil by Cecil W. V. L. Shuler, Pleasanton.
Vallejo King, bl h by Gen. J. B. Frisbie—Reinette by Dexter Prince. Thomas Smith, Vallejo.
Lulu Lumine, b m by Orator—Lumine by Stately. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Bright Axworthy, b g by Axworthy—Honor Bright by Antonio. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great—Jenny Scott by Bryson. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

No. 20—2:08 Class Pacing—$3000.

Did not fill; reopened to close June 1, 1915, for 50 per cent of the original purse.

No. 21—Breeders Futurity—$1800.

Closed. Nominations published when made. Three-year-old pacers.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8.

No. 22—2:16 Class Trotting—$2000.

Matawan, br g by Athadon—Cora Wickersham by Junio. H. C. Ahlers, San Francisco.
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby. Alex. Brown, Walnut Grove.
Irving Heart, b h by Great Heart—Crawford Mare by Piloteer. H. W. Buckbee, Rockport, Ill.
Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide—Lillian W. by Harry Hontas. Frank Childs, Pleasanton.
Bon Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney—Helen Keyes by Sidney Dillon. W. A. Clark, Jr., Los Angeles.
Mabel, b m by Sir John S.—Babe by Lynmont. G. H. Magruder, Yuba City.
Miss Johnson, b m by Happy Treasure—Maud Johnson by Happy Heir. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
Copper the Ore, bl m by Direct Heir—May Kinney by Silkwood. Al Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Columbia T., b m by Bon Guy—May T. by Monterey. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Lottie Ansel, br m by Prince Ansel—Lottie Whippleton by San Diego. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
Seneca Boy, ch g by King Entertainer—Seneca Maid by John Adams. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg.
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen—Lizzie Belle Smith by Geo. Simmons. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Col. Cochrane, Jr., b h by Col. Cochrane—The Wild Rose by Red Medium. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Barbara Overton, b m by Sahib—Mabel Swope by Ashland Wilkes. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

No. 23—2:24 Class Trotting—$2000.

Golden State, b g by Stam B.—Zaya by Bay Bird. Blackwell & Hendrickson, Rocklin.
Major's By Guy, br h by Major Dillon—By Guy by Guy Wilkes. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Bon Cres, bl h by Bon Voyage—Kate Kopje by Cresceus. J. J. Campbell, Pasadena.
Lauretta Todd, b m by Sorrento Todd—Silver Tier by Ashton W. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D.
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney—Helen Simmons by Simmons. V. K. Dunne, San Francisco.
A. R. G., b h by Gumaer Hal—Claudia Chimes by Chimes. A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
The Proof, br h by The Exponent—Chord by Wilkes Boy. M. C. Keefer, Pleasanton.
Sutter Girl, b m by Sir John S.—Babe by Lynmont. G. H. Magruder, Yuba City.
Miss Perfection, br m by Gen. Watts—Sue Fletcher by Tregantle. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Little Grove, br h by Walnut Grove—May Day by Roy Wood. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
Mary E. Patch, b m by Dan Patch—Prelissa by The Prelate. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Robert Bingen, b h by Bingen—Episode by Ambassador. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great—Jenny Scott by Bryson. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Margaret Parrish, b m by Vice Commodore—Lady Leyburn by Arion. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Helen Worthy, b m by Barondale—Lulu Worthy by Axworthy. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

No. 24—Stanford Stake—$1200.

Closed. Nominations printed when made. Three-year-old trotters.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 9.

No. 25—2:09 Class Trotting—$2500.

Albaloma, b g by Almaden D.—Loma B. by Stam B. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Esperanza, b m by Carlokin—My Irene S. by Petigru. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Rags, b g by Del Coronado—Atherine by Patron. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Axtien, ch h by Axworthy—Protien by Glenwold. Samuel Harris, Plymouth, Ill.
Gold Dollar, ch g by Pulsus—Daisy Golddust by Emerson Golddust. Gus Macey, Huntsville, Ala.
Mahomet Watts, b h by Gen. Watts—Alla P. by Palo Alto. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Jean Arion, b m by Arion—Sarah Shelton by Bedford. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Peter McCormick, br h by Peter the Great—Pearl Cecil by Cecil W. V. L. Shuler, Pleasanton.
Kid Cupid, ch g by Cupid—Zarina by Dexter Prince. L. B. Daniels, Sacramento.
Vallejo King, bl h by Gen. J. B. Frisbie—Reinette by Dexter Prince. Thomas Smith, Vallejo.
Miss Densmore, ch m by Vyzant—Nina Densmore by Hamdallah. F. L. Wacholtz, Los Angeles.
Alberta Dillon, ch m by Sidney Dillon—Miss Lamartine by Lamartine. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg.
Lulu Lumine, b m by Orator—Lumine by Stately. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Bright Axworthy, b g by Axworthy—Honor Bright by Antonio. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

No. 26—State Fair Futurity—$600.

Closed. Nominations published when made. Two-year-old trotters.

No. 27—2:11 Class Pacing—$2000.

O. U. C., b g by C. The Limit—Rosie Woodburn by Easter Wilkes. S. S. Bailey, Pleasanton.
Pointer's Daughter, b m by Star Pointer—Banker's Daughter by Arthur Wilkes. G. L. Blosser, Santa Maria.
Don C., ch g by Mexican Chief—Molly by Hedgewood Boy. H. W. Buckbee, Rockford, Ill.
Zorene, ch m by Zolock—My Irene S. by Petigru. P. J. Chalmers, Stockton.
Imbro, br h by Zombro—Athelene by Coeur d'Alene. F. M. Anderson, Portland, Ore.
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Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro—Bonnie Ailsie by Faustino. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Soumise, b m by Billy Dunlap—Cricket Basler by Robert Basler. R. L. Friend, Porterville.
Maxine, b m by Jim Logan—Trilby Maid by Black Ralph Jr. Miss Maxine Montgomery, Davis.
Red Rock, ch g by Louis Wilkes—Red Bird by E. S. J. F. Maguire, Denver.
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.—Altalena by Altamont. Edw. Peterson, Omaha.
Princess Patch, b m by Dan Patch—International Queen by Tom Exum. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
John Malcolm, br g by Dan Logan—Susie Miller by Prince Ansel. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Conqueror, b g by Direct Heir—La Belle by Sidney. Valencia Stock Farm, San Bernardino.

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 10.

No. 28—2:19 Class Trotting—$2000.

Matawan, br g by Athadon—Cora Wickersham by Junio. H. C. Ahlers, San Francisco.
Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide—Lillian W. by Harry Hontas. Frank Childs, Pleasanton.
Major By By, ch g by Major Dillon—By By by Nutwood. Marvin Childs, Pleasanton.
Bertha Pointer, b m by Del Coronado—Belle Pointer by Sky Pointer. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zepyr by Zombro. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Old Folks, br g by Del Coronado—Iran Belle by Iran Alto. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Sultan, b g by Suomi—Manila by Rockwood. J. J. Gethin, San Francisco.
Kinney de Lopez, ch h by Kinney Lou—Betsey Direct by Direct. Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet.
Policia, ch m by Best Policy—Alta Almont by Prince Almont. Mrs. I. M. Lipson, Tulare.
Pronto J., bl g by Strathway. R. D. Morrison, Hemet.
Agnes Carter, b m by Nutwood Wilkes—Excella by Monbells. Al Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Future Tramp, b g by Trampfast—Future Princess Ideal by Chimes. T. D. Sexton, Oakland.

r Dawn, br m by Symboleer—Pandora by Allerton.
g J. Rochon, Winnipeg.
od Mack, ch g by Sir John—Lynwood Bell by Lyn-
d W. Geo. G. Smith, Logan, Utah.
e Scott, b h by Peter the Great—Jenny Scott by
son. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
r ret Parrish, b m by Vice Commodore—Lady Ley-
n by Arion. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
le Worthy, b m by Barongale—Lulu Worthy by Ax-
rthy. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

No. 29—Free-for-all Class Pacing—$5000.

ot fill; reopened to close June 1, 1915, for 50 per cent
o the original purse.

No. 30—2:20 Class Pacing—$2000.

, C., bl h by Young Monterey—Rosalie by Dudley.
B. Alford, Ferndale.
d Densmore, ch m by Don Densmore—Florence D. by
. McCoy. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D.
, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton
dy. J. F. Dunne, Gilroy.
Gommet, b m by Prince McKinney—Arawanna B.
Sidney Dillon. F. Gommet, San Francisco.
, b g by Saraway—Daisy H. by Clark Chief Jr.
R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
Fitzsimmons, ch g by Bob Fitzsimmons—Jennie
gh Noon by High Noon. B. F. Jaggar, Portland,
n, b g by Dialect—by Clarence Wilkes. H. S. Hogo-
om, Woodland.
, b m by Sir John S.—Babe by Lynmont. G. H.
gruder, Yuba City.
lack, bl h by Zombro—Madeline Marshall by De-
nio. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
ld, b g by Golden Baron—Kitty by Knight. D. D.
Donald, Sacramento.
t Line, b h by Baron Direct—Woodland Echo by
oodline. J. F. McGuire, Denver.
W., br h by Walnut Grove—Little Queen by Jack-
w. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
Patch, bl m by Dan Patch—Heloise Grattan by
attan. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
a Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon—Lady Hilda Hills
Wilkes Boy. V. L. Shuler, Pleasanton.
Mo, ch g by Demonio—Hanora by Oro Wilkes. C. F.
lva, Sacramento.
Style, br h by All Style—Annabell by Arner. I. L.
cker, Oroville.
Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Josie D. by Nutwood
ilkes. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
Badger, br h by Searchlight—Nancy H. by Gambetta
ilkes. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg.
b m by Fiosko. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Farren, b h by Peter the Great—Nelly Farren by
y Bird. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 11.

No. 31—2:14 Class Trotting—$2000.

wan, br g by Athadon—Cora Wickersham by Junio.
C. Ahlers, San Francisco.
ie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Woodland Bonnie
erby by Chas. Derby. Alex. Brown, Walnut Grove.
g Heart, b h by Great Heart—Crawford Mare by
iloteer. H. W. Buckbee, Rockford, Ill.
Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney—Helen Keyes by
dney Dillon. W. A. Clark, Jr., Los Angeles.
Perfection, br m by Gen. Watts—Sue Fletcher by
regantle. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
y Widow, ch m by G. Albert Mac—Belle Lynn by
iablo. W. Parsons, Salinas.
Johnson, b m by Happy Treasure—Maud Johnson
y Happy Heir. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
rest Alto McKinney, br g by Nearest McKinney—Iran
elle by Iran Alto. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
ie Ansel, br m by Prince Ansel—Lottie Whippleton
y San Diego. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
t Isle, b h by Peter the Great—Belle Isle by Actell.
hos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
hful, b m by The Star of Patchen—Lizzie Belle Smith
y Geo. Simmons. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
a, b m by Bingara—Kavala by Kremlin. Thos. W.
urphy, Poughkeepsie.

No. 32—2:17 Class Pacing—$2000.

ie Dillon, br m by Sidney Dillon—Angela S. by Silent
himes. C. E. Bowman, Walla Walla.
B., br g by Don Densmore—Mary B. by Mexicana.
). A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D.
liam G., ch g by Clarence Wilkes—Wax by Senator
oggs. Wm. Duncan, Agt., Colusa.
nburg Belle, b m by Stillwell—Lucy by Memphis.
ohn Ginocchio, San Francisco.
ce Zolock, bl h by Zolock—Princess Direct by Teddy
A. H. A. Gardiner, Walla Walla.
nter Belle, b m by Star Pointer—Dictatus Belle by
Dictatus. J. M. Kidd, San Francisco.
dy, b m by Knox—Pet. M. G. Leggitt, Hanford.
trix, ch m by Zolock—Trix Marshall by Nutwood
Wilkes. J. W. Marshall, Dixon.
H. Holloway, ch g by Geo. W. McKinney—Lady Zom-
bro by Zombro. R. D. Morrison, Hemet.
wer Patch, b h by Dan Patch—Effie Powers by Ander-
son Wilkes. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
e Fool, b g by Dick Russell—Babe T. by Rajah. I. L.
Tucker, Oroville.
l S., rn g by Hal Chaffin—Bessie Hal by Red Hal.
Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
n, b m by Fiosko. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
ter Farren, b h by Peter the Great—Nelly Farren by
Jay Bird. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

No. 33—Breeders Futurity—$1200.

sed. Nominations printed when made. Two-year-
old pacers.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 12.

No. 34—2:11 Class Trotting—$2500.

by Doll, b m by Tom Smith—Kate Lumry by Shade-
land Onward. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
n Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney—Helen Keyes by
Sidney Dillon. W. A. Clark, Jr., Los Angeles.
peranza, b m by Carlokin—My Irene S. by Petigru.
W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
rginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr by Zombro.
W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
R. G., b h by Gumaer Hal—Claudia Chimes by Chimes.
A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
ctien, ch h by Axworthy—Protien by Glenwold. Samuel
Harris, Plymouth, Ill.
ilbur Lou, ch h by Kinney Lou—Louise Carter by
Chestnut Tom. Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet.
e Proof, br h by The Exponent—Chord by Wilkes Boy.
M. C. Keefer, Pleasanton.
rtha Carey, b m by Zombro—Nell by Bob Mason. R. J.
MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
hn Mack, b g by Geo. A. Fuller—Ida Purple by Cutting.
F. L. McQuilty, Curran, Ill.
ss All, bl h by Crystallion—Miss Daisy Deane by
Guardsman. E. A. Colburn, Denver.
hn Gwynne, b h by McMyrtle—by Secretary. V. L.
Shuler, Pleasanton.
id Cupid, ch g by Cupid—Zarina by Dexter Prince.
C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
allejo King, bl h by Gen. J. B. Frisbie—Reinette by
Dexter Prince. Thomas Smith, Vallejo.
ss Densmore, ch m by Vyzant—Nina Densmore by
Hamdallah. F. L. Wacholtz, Los Angeles.
on., b m by Bingara—Kavala by Kremlin. Thos. W.
Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
reat Isle, b h by Peter the Great—Bell Isle by Actell.
Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
adie S., b m by Archdale—Catherine S. by Patronage.
Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

No. 35—2:13 Class Pacing, $2000.

Don C., ch g by Mexican Chief—Molly by Hedgewood Boy. H. W. Buckbee, Rockford, Ill.
Athol R., gr g by Athablo—Edith by Milton R. Jas. L. Bullock, Hanford.
Trix McAdrian, br m by McAdrian—Mountain Lass by Mountain Boy. P. J. Chalmers, Stockton.
Imbro, br h by Zombro—Athelene by Coeur d'Alene. F. M. Anderson, Portland, Ore.
Lizzie Dillon, br m by Sidney Dillon—Angela S. by Silent Chimes. C. E. Bowman, Walla Walla.
Sirius Pointer, b h by Star Pointer—Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes. H. H. Boomer, Spokane, Wash.
Lillian Green, br m by Col. Green—Lillian Zolock by Zolock. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D.
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy. J. F. Dunne, Gilroy.
Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro—Bonnie Ailsie by Faustino. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince—Psyche. W. J. Kenney, San Francisco.
Maxine, b m by Jim Logan—Trilby Maid by Black Ralph Jr. Miss Maxine Montgomery, Davis.
Donald, b g by Golden Baron—Kitty by Knight. D. D. McDonald, Sacramento.
Direct Line, b h by Baron Direct—Woodland Echo by Woodline. J. F. McGuire, Denver.
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio—Potrero Girl by Prince Airlie. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Strathtell, b h by Motell—Ruth Strathberry by Strathberry. Joseph Carson, Winnipeg.
Hal S., rn g by Hal Chaffin—Bessie Hal by Red Hal. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Derby Custer, ch h by Ed Custer—Princess Derby by Chas. Derby. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

No. 36—State Fair Futurity—$1500.

Closed. Nominations printed when made. Three-year-old pacers.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 13.

No. 37—Free-for-all Class Trotting—$5000.

Did not fill; reopened to close June 1, 1915, for 50 per cent of the original purse.

No. 38—Breeders Futurity—$2800.

Closed. Nominations printed when made. Three-year-old trotters.

No. 39—2:06 Class Pacing—$20,000.

Final closing date June 1st. Former entries previously printed.

ENTRIES FOR FALL MEETING RECEIVED AFTER FIRST FORMS WERE CLOSED.

No. 1—2:20 Class Trotting—$2000.

Linwood Mack, ch g by Sir John—Linwood Bell by Lynwood W. Geo. G. Smith, Logan, Utah.
Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great—Jenny Scott by Bryson. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Margaret Parrish, b m by Vice Commodore—Lady Leyburn by Arion. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Helen Worthy, b m by Barongale—Lulu Worthy by Axworthy. Thos W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

No. 4—2:15 Class Trotting—$2000.

Sadie S., b m by Archdale—Catherine S. by Patronage. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen—Lizzie Belle Smith by Geo. Simmons. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

The Woodland sale—next Thursday.

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Budd Doble ships to San Jose next week with nine horses from the Hemet Stock Farm.

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George Lowery, George Giannini and Dan Chapman of this city motored through the Dublin canyon to Pleasanton Monday to watch the workouts.

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Hugh Boyle has sent Ida M. 2:14 by Knight 2:22½, dam Kate H. by Nephew, to be bred to Onward McGregor (3) 2:23¼.

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W. C. Brown of Vancouver, B. C., has sent to Sutherland & Chadbourne at Pleasanton for training a nice two-year-old trotting filly by Nearest McKinney, out of a well bred dam.

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California horsemen all have a good word to say for the Alameda Butchers' Exchange picnic at Pleasanton July 4 and 5, owing to the nice program of harness races carded for the latter day.

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J. W. Marshall of Dixon has consigned two producing brood mares and three youngsters from "royal families" to the Woodland sale. Madeline Marshall, dam of R. J. MacKenzie's candidate for this year's pacing stakes, Zomblack, is in the list.

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Letter B. Jr. (dam of Cresto 2:12½) by Benton Boy has foaled a fine black filly by Tom Smith 2:13¼ and will be bred to Mahomet Watts 2:08¼. The little lady arrived on Easter Sunday and has been christened Easter Lilly.

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Loren Daniels, who since his return from the races last season has been quartered at the fair grounds at Sacramento, training the horses belonging to himself, Charley Silva and the estate of W. J. Miller of Chico, will take a stable of twelve head to the track at Woodland Stock Farm and there put the "finishing touches" to their preparation for the June meeting at the exposition and a campaign over northwestern tracks. This will make three first class stables in training at the Woodland track, all with extensive entries straight through the exposition programs.

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On our front page this week appears an excellent likeness of President Daniel E. Hoffman of the California Driving Club and the pair of trotting stallions with which he has cleaned up the classes for trotters to pole at the winter shows, Tom Smith 2:13¼ by McKinney 2:11¼ and Jonesie Mac by Carlokin 2:07½. The pair vary a bit in age, but mate nicely otherwise and make "a team as is a team" for road and show purposes. Dan is training Jonesie Mac for the late season in fun driving circles and the lad is making very nice progress, while Tom Smith may start a few times during the season himself, his owner declaring that he can hold his own with most of the matinee horses in his class for an occasional race.

F. W. Perkins of Willows, Cal., has sent to Pleasanton to be bred to The Proof (2) 2:29¾, the mare Rose Trix by Corbitt's Rose, dam Trix Marshall (dam of Mona Wilkes 2:03¼, Aerolite 2:06¾, Moortrix 2:07½ and four others) by Nutwood Wilkes. This is the dam of The Proof weanling that topped the Pleasanton sale in December for the age and was purchased by C. L. Crellin.

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Woodland Stock Farm is now the home of one of the real aristocrats of the junior delegation of trotters, Carrietta 2:18 by Directman having foaled a fine chestnut filly to the cover of Peter the Great 2:07¼. Great things are reasonably expected of the new baby, as Carrietta has produced four trotters, three of whom took track records as yearlings, each of them being the champion of his or her year, a record equaled by the produce of no other matron.

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M. L. J. 2:09½, the trotting son of Red Will 32948, that made a good campaign last year for Walter Breitenfield and wound up the season with two nice races in fast company at Phoenix, has been purchased by J. D. Callery, the traction magnate of Pittsburg, for matinee purposes. M. L. J. has the general characteristics of size, appearance and manners that are so prized in fun horses, and has the necessary punch at the end of the mile, judging by his Phoenix finishes.

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R. J. MacKenzie, whom business matters have kept "on the go" almost constantly throughout the season, arrived back on the coast Sunday and has been busily engaged this week visiting at Pleasanton Driving Park and entertaining numerous friends both at that place and here in the city. No man derives more genuine pleasure from the company of his horses than does Mr. MacKenzie, and as he has seen but little of them this year the present visit has been especially enjoyable.

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Martha Spy by The Spy, one of Mr. MacKenzie's most prized matrons, has foaled a spunky stud colt by Zomblack, the lad being the first one for that good son of Zombro and Madeline Marshall. Martha Spy is the dam of Anvilite, the MacKenzie entry for this season's two-year-old classics from coast to coast and about the best youngster ever seen at Pleasanton. His most recent work was a mile in 2:28 with the last quarter at a 2:08 gait, which even a knocker will admit is "passing fair" for early April.

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The Pleasanton birds are all a-twitter over a newcomer to Will DeRyder's stable—the two-year-old bay colt Electric Forbes by J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, dam Allie Paine 2:18¼ by Rensslaer Wilkes 2:11¼, grandam Orphan Girl by Hope So. After Will had driven him from the establishment of his owner, L. M. Paine, at Cherrylands, Hayward, he was still so full of zip that he could hardly be unhitched, and the first time on the track showed a short brush at a forty gait. He is a big, husky fellow for his age, never handled save in breaking, and apparently a great prospect.

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Everybody knows that Lou Crellin is one of the most versatile men in the state, pretty handy and successful at 'most anything you care to mention, but the following item from the Pleasanton Times looks like he carried things to an extreme in endeavoring to be ultra-modern and at the same time following the tricks of a day gone by: "C. L. Crellin is going about this week with both hands tied up. On the one hand he had the thumb nail torn off in that new tractor which he recently purchased. On the other hand he has the flesh all torn off on account of lassoing an excited animal as it went by him. He threw the lasso and caught the animal. Unfortunately he attempted to hold it and the rope, slipping through his hands, tore the flesh from them." Notice two things—the gasoline mule must have been running, and the critter was successfully caught in the loop spread for it, and these were the two main considerations with Lou. Do you suppose he said "O. U. C." when somebody asked what the matter might be?

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California lost another good young trotter this week in Josephine Watts (3) 2:09½, the lass having been sold by Wm. G. Durfee and General C. C. Watts to Messrs. W. H. Hall and F. L. Stiles of Connecticut, whose "trotting horse interests" are united in the Clay-Cotton Stables, the name of which is an "out cross" of the business ventures of the gentlemen in question, Mr. Stiles being an extensive manufacturer of brick, while Mr. Hall's fancy runs to thread. They both have mutual interests in politics and horses, the partnership in the latter dating from days spent together in the legislative bodies of the Nutmeg state, and their latest acquisition is one of the best buys they have yet made. Josephine Watts, now four years of age, repeatedly showed 2:10 capacities as a three-year-old, and is good headed, good gaited and excellently bred, being by Gen. Watts 2:06¾ and out of the great brood mare Belle Andrews (dam of Silk Hat 2:09, etc.) by Billy Andrews 2:06¼, grandam Prospect Belle by Mambrino King. She will remain here until the eastern migration begins in June, when she will go to join the balance of the Clay-Cotton horses at Stafford Springs, Conn., in the hands of the well known eastern trainer Ed Gillis. Mr. Stiles, who is building a home in Pasadena and spends a great portion of his time in California, made the purchase in person, the price being the nice sum of $2500.

HEMET HORSES TO TRAIN AT SAN JOSE.

A recent letter from Budd Doble brings the welcome news that on next Monday, April 12th, he will ship north with nine horses that are to be raced this year by the Hemet Stock Farm, their present objective point being the driving park at San Jose, where training operations will continue until a few days prior to the June meeting here at the fair. The stable will include:

Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼, by Kinney Lou 2:07¾—Louise Carter (3) 2:24 (dam of three trotters) by Chestnut Tom 2:17¼, grandam Ingar (dam of five trotters, one pacer), by Director 2:17. Entered in the 2:10 trot, $20,000, and the 2:08 trot, $5,000, at the summer meeting, and the 2:10 trot, $20,000, the 2:08 trot, $5,000, and the 2:11 trot, $2,500, at the fall meeting. Champion yearling trotting stallion, 1910.

Hemet (3) 2:08¼, by Geo. W. McKinney 2:14¼—Lady Zombro 2:24¼ (dam of two trotters, two pacers) by Zombro 2:11, grandam Lady Woolsey (dam of three trotters, one pacer) by Woolsey 5337. Entered in the 2:06 pace, $20,000, and the 2:08 pace, $5,000, at the summer meeting, and the 2:06 pace, $20,000, and the 2:10 pace, $2,500, at the fall meeting. World's champion three-year-old pacing gelding, 1912.

Kinney de Lopez 2:23, by Kinney Lou 2:07¾—Betsey Direct 2:25¾ (dam of one trotter) by Direct 2:05½, grandam Kate Chapman (dam of two trotters) by Naubuc 504. Entered in the 2:20 and 2:18 trots, $2,000 each, at the summer meeting, and the 2:15 and 2:19 trots, $2,000 each, at the fall meeting.

Nealon (4), bay gelding pacer, by Nushagak 40448 (son of Allerton 2:09¼ and Eoka 2:16¾ by Sphinx 2:20½)—Nealy W. 2:27½ (dam of one pacer) by Geo. W. McKinney 2:14¼, grandam Lady Woolsey

Oro Lou (3), chestnut colt, pacer, by Kinney Lou 2:07¾—Zeta W. by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, grandam Zeta Carter (dam of Chestnut Tom 2:17¼) by Director 2:17. Entered in the three-year-old pace, $3,000, at the summer meeting, and the usual California futurities.

Sterling Lou (3), chestnut colt, trotter, by Kinney Lou 2:07¾—Louise Reed by Sterling McKinney 2:06¼, grandam Catinka 2:20½ (dam of two trotters) by Abbottsford 2:19½. Entered with Oro Lou, staked.

Dextro Lou (3), bay gelding, trotter, by Kinney Lou 2:07¾—Nealy W. 2:27½, as above. Staked.

Martin Lowe (3), brown gelding, pacer, by Kinney Lou 2:07¾—Lena Lowe 2:27½ by Geo. W. McKinney 2:14½, grandam Chestnutwood (dam of one trotter) by Judge Salisbury 5872. Staked.

Allie Lou (3), brown filly, two-year-old record 2:25, trotter, by Kinney Lou 2:07½—Lady Zombro 2:24¼, as above. Entered in the three-year-old trot at the June meeting, $5,000, and liberally staked.

This nice lot of youngsters and older campaigners will make quite an interesting addition to the colony at San Jose, and their coming will be warmly welcomed. Both Mr. and Mrs. Doble have a large circle of friends at the Santa Clara metropolis, and their sojourn there will doubtless be both pleasant and profitable.

ANGELENO FILES CLAIM ON EXPOSITION STAKES AND PURSES.

Los Angeles, April 3, 1915.

With all the cracks of the stables of Lon McDonald, Al Whitney, Will Durfee, Jim Stewart, Fred Ward and others headed for the Exposition track at San Francisco at a date set for early in May, affairs at Exposition Park are beginning to warm up in earnest and before leaving here, about all the fast birds will have had miles in 2:10, or thereabouts, some of them faster. Workout days draw good crowds regularly, and not for a long time has there been a keener interest displayed in the trotter and pacer by the local population. The track has been in Grand Circuit condition all winter, and the California brand of weather has kept the horses from east, north and west in the very best of shape.

There are candidates here for all the big stakes and purses at the exposition—not "cellar champions," but candidates for the position at the head of the summary, and whoever gets away with the coin is going to have company in his journeys from wire to wire. On the face of it, it looks from past performances as though Dr. Burns Jr. should have the edge over his field in the 2:06 pace, but there are others right here that will be "somewhere about" when the Doctor cashes—if he does cash. White Sox, the converted trotter that forced Clara Mac to her record last year, is working in great shape for Will Durfee, and Sam Watkins is making great headway with Little Bernice 2:06¼, who forced William to step to a world's record twice in succession at Peoria as a three-year-old. Margot Hal 2:04¼, in the McDonald stable, may also be seen in the same race, as she is eligible on time allowance and is showing well. Doctor Burns Jr., who carries a lot of wise money, never was better, to all appearances, and as the Doctor's best is "something awful" he is causing his rivals' owners some apprehension. Started seven times last season, three times over the half-mile tracks in Michigan and four times on the Grand Circuit, he was seven times second, forcing William to pace in 2:02 at their first meeting at Cleveland, in 2:05 at Detroit, and in 2:00½ and 2:02½ at Grand Rapids. At Kalamazoo he was second to Walter Cochato in the race in which that speedy sidewheeler got his present tag of 2:02¼ in the third heat, and was then laid away for 1915. He is working around 2:12 at present, and his owners, A. G. Ireland of Chicago and W. P. Leach of Cleveland, think so well of him that offers of ten thousand dollars are of no interest at all. Nor is this the whole local representation for the big pacing stake, as Jim Stewart and Homer Mac are evidently a pair that have never been strung out to their limit and nobody knows just how good they are. Homer is one of the iron kind, as he raced all summer and a good part of the winter and is today as fit as a fiddle. Just the other day he turned the full distance in 2:06 with the last half in 1:00½, which is "some" mile for this time of the year. Looks like Los Angeles had a real claim to some of that twenty thousand, doesn't it?

Don't overlook the fact, too, that we will be there with the bells on for the 2:10 trot, the colt stakes, and the class races. Durfee, Kirby and McDonald already have entries in the big trot that are doing everything asked from them, and June first may see another entry or so in the same event from this quarter. Will Durfee and Fred Ward will represent us in the colt stakes, and every stable that goes to the fair will have entries clear through the program.

You can make up your mind to this, folks—we don't intend to be mean, or hoggish, or anything of the kind, but we are simply going to have some of that money—the more the better. See you when we come up in May. —ANGELENO.

PACIFIC BREEDERS FUTURITY STAKE No. 13.

The following is a list of seventy-five fifth payments made in the Pacific Breeders Futurity Stake No. 13, for foals of 1913,—now two-year-olds. The two-year-old divisions of the stake are scheduled to take place at the fall meeting of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, Oct. 30 to Nov. 13, the two-year-old trot on Tuesday, Nov. 2, and the two-year-old pace on Thursday, Nov. 11:

H. G. Angevine's br c Jake Logan by Nearest McKinney, dam Berta Logan by Bert Logan.
L. A. Bangs' ch f Queen Esther by Wm. Harold, dam Dolly B. by Welcome.
L. E. Barber's b c Jack McDonald by Bon McKinney, dam Jane McCrea by Nutwood Wilkes.
I. L. Borden's b f Cherry B. by Barney Barnato, dam Ella G. by Hambletonian Wilkes; b g Alexandro by Barney Barnato, dam Ramona by Prince Robert; rn f Alabama by Barney Barnato, dam Directola by Direct.
L. H. Brittain's b f Mono K. by Nutwood Demonio, dam Caromia King by Valencia King.
Chas. Butters' b f Jessie Butters by The Bondsman, dam Lottie Lynwood by Lynwood W.
J. J. Campbell's b c Baron C. McGregor by The Bondsman, dam Kate Kopje by Cresceus.
C. H. Chandler's b f Lou Mason by Gerald G., dam Lady Search by Searchlight.
S. Christenson's b c Natalday by Wilbur Lou, dam Ella J. by Bob Mason; b f by The Bondsman, dam Silver Haw by Silver Bow.
Cave J. Couts Jr.'s br f Miss Kenneth by Kenneth C., dam Black Bess by Bohida.
S. H. Cowell's b c Sacramento Boy by Henry Nutwood Jr., dam Charmion by Nutwood Wilkes.
G. Cuneo's rn c Bond Boy by The Bondsman, dam Provoline by Chas. Derby.
L. B. Daniels' b c Stanley Quinn by Dan Logan, dam Lady Arthur by Sir Vaux.
E. R. Dunn's b c The Puzzler by Cochato, dam Baroness Maid by Baron Wilkes; b f Virginia Humbug by Cochato, dam Fanny Wiggins by Wiggins.
W. G. Durfee's ch c by Manrico, dam My Irene S. by Petigru; b f by Carlokin, dam Alexandria by Bon Voyage; b f by Carlokin, dam Atherine by Patron; bl f by Manrico, dam Subito by Steinway; ch c by Manrico, dam Ophelia by Petigru; br c by Carlokin, dam Miss Queeley by Moko; br c by Manrico, dam Zephyr by Zombro; b c by Copa de Oro, dam Leonor McKay by McKinney.
W. W. Gallup's br f Sadie Spiers by Directum Spier, dam Maggie Hall by Moko.
E. A. Gammon's b f Miss Axworthy Dillon by Axworthy, dam Cleo Dillon by Sidney Dillon.
Hemet Stock Farm's bl c Don de Lopez by Kinney de Lopez, dam Eradiate by Geo. W. McKinney; b f Fiesta Lou by Wilbur Lou, dam Fiesta Queen by On Stanley; ch f Goldsmith Lou by Wilbur Lou, dam Little Louise by Boodle; ch f Gertrude Rives by Wilbur Lou, dam Nealy W. by Geo. W. McKinney; ch c Billy Boyd by Wilbur Lou, dam Lady Zombro by Zombro.
N. A. Holaday's b g Dictatus Jay by Alconda Jay, dam Dictatus Belle by Dictatus.
S. H. Hoy's b c Peter Pierre by The Bondsman, dam Burnside by Antrim.
Mrs. Mabel Lipson's ch c Stewart S. by Chestnut Tom, dam Myrtle Ragan by Col. K. R.
Leo Lynch's b c Dr. Dyer by Vernon McKinney, dam Reubic by Elyria.
J. S. Maben's bl c Apropos by Carlokin, dam Zomzar by Zombro; b f Maybine by El Carbine, dam Lillian Welborn by St. Vincent; b c Marssham by Donasham, dam Eugenia B. by Zombro.
R. J. MacKenzie's b c Anvilite by The Anvil, dam Martha Spy by The Spy.
Frank Malcolm's b f Miss Bond by The Bondsman, dam Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon; b c Fresno Bond by The Bondsman, dam Fresno Girl by Seymour Wilkes.
Chas. R. Marley's br f The Expense by The Proof, dam Nusta by Nushagak.
J. W. Marshall's br f Verna McKinney by Vernon McKinney, dam Ramona by Demonio.
Capt. C. P. McCan's br f Hazel Bond by The Bondsman, dam Hazel Patchen by The Patchen Boy.
Al McDonald's b c Surety by The Bondsman, dam Eva H. by Washington McKinney.
Josh Merrill's b f Kockalevitch Bond by The Bondsman, dam Miss Orlena by Ormonde.
Estate of W. J. Miller's b f by All Style, dam Katalena by Tom Smith; b c First National by Dan Logan, dam Lula Mc by Arthur Wilkes.
J. E. Montgomery's b f Carolyn by Lock Logan, dam Trilby Maid by Black Ralph Jr.
R. D. Morrison's b f Selma Paley by Wilbur Lou, dam Stambia by Stam B.
Nesmith & Sons' b f Clay Pointer by King Lilly Pointer, dam Bedelia Clay by Clay Edwin.
A. L. Scott's b f Lady Bondillon by The Bondsman, dam Weatewater by Sidney Dillon; b f Rosie Bond by The Bondsman, dam Rosie Woodburn by Easter W.
J. A. Scott's ch f Kitty Nearest Smith by Nearest, dam Lady Smith by Tom Smith.
W. L. Selman's br f Lelia Mack by Leland D., dam Bessie Mac by Herman.
M. Senter's bl c Sidney Borden by Guy Borden, dam Minnie Mc by Athadon Jr.
T. D. Sexton's br f Lucretia Bond by The Bondsman, dam Lucretia Alto by Nazote.
C. F. Silva's br c by Lijero, dam Queen S. by Sable Wilkes.
F. B. Stockdale's b f May May by Athasham, dam Guide Leetice by Calif. Guide.
Henry Struve's br c Ivan Jay by Alconda Jay, dam Ivoneer by Eugeneer.
Chas. H. Thomas' b f Donna de Lopez by Kinney de Lopez, dam Viola by Geo. W. McKinney.
L. H. Todhunter's bl f Jet Moko by Moko Hall, dam Osmuda by Bon Voyage.
Frank Trainor's b f Catherine T. by The Proof, dam Decoratio by Prince Ansel.
D. W. Wallis' ch f Patti C. by El Angelo, dam Mary W. by Dictatus; b f I. M. by El Angelo, dam Record Searcher by Searchlight.
Geo. L. Warlow's ch f Ludie McKinney by Stanford McKinney, dam Gadsky by Athablo.
Dr. E. J. Weldon's b c Ligeros by Lijero, dam Mater Expedio by Knight.
Chas. W. Winter's b c Alhambra Duke by Alhambra Prince, dam Ezelda W. by Del Coronado.
Fred Woodcock's br c Capt. Mack by The Bondsman, dam Bessie L. by Montana Director.
Woodland Stock Farm, Inc's b c Jim Hardman by Directum Spier, dam Ila Moko by Moko; ch f Sadie Ansel by Prince Ansel, dam Lauress by Mendocino; br c Joe Watkins by Kentucky Todd, dam Fair Recluse by Moko.
M. L. Woy's b f Lulu B. by The Bondsman, dam Loma B. by Stam B.

LANARK PARK STABLE AT PLEASANTON.

Another good bunch of trotters and pacers has been quartered at Pleasanton since last Saturday, when the well known San Joaquin trainer, M. Henry, arrived there with a number of well bred green ones from the establishment of R. S. Irvine—Lanark Park, midway between Riverbank and Modesto. Mr. Henry will not race until late, if at all this season, but will remain at Pleasanton until fall, and possibly through the winter, educating the boys and girls brought over from the valley, most of which have been jogged lightly through the winter, on the road or over the half-mile track at Lanark Park.

The "female persuasion" is largely in the majority, as six of the eight brought over for training purposes are mares. The only stallion is the three-year-old bay colt Lanark P., by Zorankin (2) 2:29¾, dam Bloom by Nushagak, and the geldings have but one representative, the five-year-old black fellow, Alick by Frank C. (son of Gossiper 2:14¾), dam Hulda Cropsey by Guide 2:16¼, grandam Alice R. (dam of three trotters, one sire, two dams, etc.) by Naubuc 504. Hulda Cropsey is a full sister to Cyrene 2:27½ (dam of Castanada 2:09¾) and is herself a proven speed producer, being the dam of Will Guthrie, that worked the Pleasanton track for Mr. Henry right at 2:07 prior to his sale to Tom Pollock of Flagstaff. Both Lanark P. and Alick are pacers, the former with two-year-old work in 2:28 to his credit, and the latter just broken last fall.

Two of the girls of the stable are just well broken pacers out of Hulda Cropsey, one California Poppy by Selah McKinney, and the other True by Bonnie Direct 2:05¼, sire of Bonalet (3) 2:09¼, etc. Forgetmenot, also a daughter of Bonnie Direct, is out of Thera by Albion, and while just broken last fall worked nicely at the trot in 2:28. Sonnatine, a seven-year-old chestnut trotting mare that worked last year in 2:22½, is a product of the Warlow establishment at Fresno, being by Stanford McKinney out of Sextette by Athablo 2:24½.

Two five-year-old mares that are closely related to some great performers are Alla Moscovita and Beretta Dee, both of whom ran out all winter and were taken up just prior to leaving home. The former is a trotter with earlier work in 2:32¼ as a two-year-old and 2:21½ as a four-year-old and is a daughter of Henry Helman's son of Jay Bird, Alconda Jay, and out of La Moscovita (dam of Bon Guy (3) 2:11¼, Yolanda 2:14¼ and Winnie Bond (2) 2:27) by Guy Wilkes. Beretta Dee, with a two-year-old pacing trial of 2:22¼, four-year-old 2:16½, is by Charley D. 2:06¼ and out of Beretta 2:22½ (sister to C. The Limit 2:03¼) by Searchlight 2:03¼, grandam Bertha (dam of thirteen performers, five in 2:10) by Alcantara 2:23. Both Alla Moscovita and Beretta Dee live up to their pedigrees as individuals, and promise to do so as performers.

In addition to the above mentioned horses, Mr. Henry brought from the ranch the brood mares Bloom by Nushagak, dam Redflower by Mayflower, and Beretta 2:22½, both with exceptionally nice foals at foot by The Bondsman. They will be bred to some of the stallions in service at Pleasanton before being returned home, though which ones has not yet been decided.

Colorado has many breeding ranches of great national prominence, where the standard bred horses are recognized as equal to those of any of our sister states. The larger ones are those of A. G. Gumaer of Florence, Doll Brothers of Gypsum, the MacRose Stock Farm of Littleton, A. L. Camp of Greeley, and O. H. Sholes of Holyoke, but there is scarcely any city or town but has one or more standard bred stallions or mares. The next great breed in Colorado is the thoroughbred; but in this blood we are somewhat lacking, and until very recently there were not many breeders. However, in the last two or three years quite a few thoroughbred stallions and mares have been purchased by Colorado horsemen. One of the finest types of the thoroughbred horse in America is owned at Rocky Ford, Fayette, the son of the great Ogden and Saratoga Belle, and this year some of his sons and daughters will be seen at our races. The great thoroughbred, Skillful, is owned at Greeley and Mrs. K. Williams of Hayden recently purchased the thoroughbred stallion Labold, so what we lack in quantity we make up in quality.—Field and Farm.

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ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

CURIOUS ANIMAL WEAPONS.

Strictly speaking, the only weapons of vertebrates are teeth, claws, horns and spurs. Horns belong only to the ruminants, and the spur is an uncommon weapon. There are many animals in which teeth and claws are not suited to inflict injury, or in which the proper instincts and courage to use and develop them are absent, and these animals seem to be in a very defenceless state. In one sense they are defenceless, but they are in no worse position than the well-armed species, because they have either a protective coloring, or greater swiftness, or cunning to assist them in escaping from their enemies. And there are also many of these toothless and clawless species which have been provided with other organs and means of offence and defence out of Nature's curious armory.

There is a decided probability that such distinctive weapons as horns, spurs, tusks and spines would be far more common in Nature if the conditions of life always remained the same. But these things are perfected very slowly, and conditions are continually undergoing alteration. Climate, soil and vegetation vary; foes and rivals diminish or increase; the old disappear, and others with different weapons and a new strategy take their place. Just as a skilful man man can turn his implements into weapons, in case of unexpected attack, and for everything he possesses discovers a use never contemplated by its maker, so does Nature—only with an ingenuity exceeding that of man—use the means she has to meet all contingencies, and enable her creatures, seemingly so ill-provided, to maintain their fight for life. Natural selection can make a weapon of anything, and the mucous secretions which the largest species of wild llama "huanco" or "quanaco" discharges into the face of an adversary, and the pestilential drops peculiar to the skunk, are weapons that may be as effectual in defensive warfare as spines or fangs.

No more remarkable example of the adaption of structure to habit exists in the animal kingdom than that of the hairy armadillo (Dasyphus villosus), which is found in Argentina and other South American countries. This animal appears like a South American ant-eater saddled with a dish cover. Nevertheless, with the cunning which Nature has given it to supplement its deficiencies, it has discovered in its bony encumbrance a highly efficient weapon of offence. Most other toothless creatures hunt by daylight and are insectivorous, some feeding only on ants. They have unchangeable habits, very limited intelligence, and vanish before civilization. The hairy armadillo alone has struck out for itself. Like its fast disappearing congeners, it is an insect-eater still, but does not, like them, seek its food on the surface and in the ant-hill only. All kinds of insects are preyed upon, and by means of its keen scent it discovers worms and larvae several inches beneath the surface. Its method of taking worms and grubs resembles that of probing birds, for it throws up no earth, but forces its sharp snout and wedge-shaped head down to the required depth. While working, it probably moves round in a circle, for the hole which it makes is conical, although the head of the animal is flat. Where it has found a rich hunting-ground, the earth is marked by hundreds of these neat symmetrical bores. It is aslo an enemy to ground-nesting birds, being fond of eggs and fledglings. When unable to capture prey, it will feed on carrion as readily as a wild dog or vulture, returning night after night to the carcass of a horse or cow as long as the flesh lasts. Failing animal food, it subsists on vegetable diet, such as clover and grain.

It is, therefore, by no means strange that at all seasons, and even when other animals are starving, the hairy armadillo is always fat and vigorous. In the desert it is diurnal, but where man appears it becomes more and more nocturnal, and in populous districts does not go abroad until long after dark. Yet when a district becomes thickly settled it increases in numbers—so readily does it adapt itself to new conditions. It is not to be wondered at that the gauchos (natives) should make this species the hero of many of their fables, representing it as a versatile creature, exceedingly fertile in expedients, and duping its sworn friend, the fox, in various ways, just as "Brer Rabbit" serves the fox in our own stories.

The hairy armadillo will, no doubt, long survive all the other armadillos, and for this reason it will have an ever-increasing interest for the naturalist. An Argentine cattle-breeder has given the following account of an encounter he witnessed between an armadillo and a poisonous snake. While seated on a hillside he noticed a snake, about twenty inches in length, lying coiled up on a stone five or six yards beneath him. In a short time a hairy armadillo appeared trotting directly toward it. Apparently the snake perceived and feared its approach, for it quickly uncoiled itself and began gliding away. Instantly, the armadillo rushed at it, and having placed itself upon it, began swaying its body backward and forward with a regular sawing motion, thus lacerating its victim with the sharp, deep-cut edges of its bony covering. The snake struggled to free itself, biting savagely at its aggressor, for its head and neck were disengaged. Its bites, however, made no impression, and very soon its head dropped, and when its enemy removed its body, the snake was dead and very much mangled. The armadillo at once began its meal, taking the tail in its mouth and slowly progressing toward the head; but when about a third of the snake still remained it seemed satisfied, and, leaving that portion, trotted away.

Altogether, in its rapacious and varied habits this armadillo appears to have some points of resemblance with the European hedgehog; and, perhaps, like the little mammal it resembles, it is not harmed by venomous snakes.

Cats have been known to kill all the snakes they could find, purely for sport, as they have systematically refrained from eating them. They jump nimbly around and across their victim, occasionally dealing it a blow with their claws.

The enemies of the snake are legion. Burrowing owls feed largely on them; so do herons and storks, killing them with a blow of their javelin beaks, and swallowing them whole.

The sulphur tyrant-bird picks up the young snake by the tail, and, flying to a branch or stone, uses it like a flail until its life is battered out.

In arraying such a variety of enemies against the snake, Nature has made ample amends for having endowed it with deadly weapons. In addition, the power possessed by venomous snakes only seems to us disproportionate; it is not really so, except in occasional individual encounters. Venomous snakes are always greatly outnumbered by non-venomous ones in the same district. The greater activity of the latter accounts for more in the result than the deadly weapons of the former.

The large teguexin lizard, called "iguana" by South Americans, is the great snake-killer. Snakes have, in fact, no more formidable enemy, for he is quick to see, and swift to overtake them. He is practically invulnerable, and deals them sudden death with his powerful tail. The country people in Argentina say that dogs attacking the iguana are sometimes known to have their legs broken. A farmer relates that when riding after his cattle not a hundred miles from Buenos Ayres, having attached one end of his lasso to the saddle, he let the remainder drag along the ground. After a time he observed a large iguana apparently asleep in the sun, and although he rode very close to it, and did not move; but no sooner had he passed it than it raised its head, and fixed its attention upon the many feet of lasso slowly trailing along. Suddenly it rushed after the rope, and gave it a succession of violent blows with its tail. When the whole of the lasso, several yards of which had been pounded in vain, had been dragged past, the lizard, with uplifted head, continued gazing after it with the greatest astonishment. Never had such a wonderful snake crossed its path before!

The toad is a slow-moving creature that puts itself in the way of persecution; yet, strange to say, the acrid juice which it exudes when irritated is a surer protection to it than venomous fangs are to the deadliest snake. Toads are, in fact, with a very few exceptions, only attacked and devoured by snakes, lizards, and by their own venomous relative, Ceratophyrs ornata, the "escuerzo." It is possible that the cold, sluggish natures of all these creatures protect them against the toad's secretion, which would be poison to most warm-blooded animals, but it is not certain that all fish enjoy a like immunity, for some marine forms of life have been found dead very soon after swallowing a toad.

The country people in some parts of South America believe that the milky secretion exuded by the toad possesses wonderful curative properties. It is their invariable specific for shingles—a painful malady common among them—which is cured by the application of living toads to the inflamed part. Some physicians may laugh at this cure, but the medical profession has in past times laughed at other remedies used by the vulgar, which now have honorable places in the pharmacopœia. More than two hundred years ago—very ancient times for South America—the natives of Spanish descent known as "gauchos" were in the habit of taking the lining of the rhea's stomach, dried and powdered, for disorders of the digestion. This remedy is still popular. Science has now been converted to the layman's opinion, and the ostrich hunter now makes a double profit, one from the feathers, and the other from the dried stomachs, which he sells to the pharmacists of the capitals of the various South American countries.

The Ceratophrys ornata referred to as venomous, does not possess teeth specially adapted to inject poison into the veins, like those of a serpent. It is a curious creature, known as "escuerzo" in the vernacular, and, although beautiful in color, it is most unattractive in form. The skin is of a brilliant green, with chocolate-colored patches, oval in shape, and symmetrically disposed. The lips are bright yellow, the cavernous mouth pale flesh color, the throat and under-surface dull white. The body is lumpy, and about the size of a large man's fist. The eyes, placed on the summit of a disproportionately large head, are embedded in horn-like protuberances, capable of being elevated or depressed at pleasure. When this toad is undisturbed, the eyes, which are of a pale gold color, look out as from a couple of watch towers, but when touched on the head or menaced, the prominences sink down to a level with the head, closing the eyes completely, and giving the creature the appearance of being eyeless. The upper jaw is armed with minute teeth, and there are two teeth in the center of the lower jaw, the remaining portions of the jaw being armed with two very sharp-edged bony plates. In place of a tongue, it has a round muscular projection, with a rough flat disc the size of a fifty-cent piece.

This creature is common all over the vast treeless plains called pampas. In the breeding season both sexes congregate in pools, and anybody who has ever heard them cannot help remembering their extraordinary vocal powers, which they exercise at night. The performance in no way resembles the series of sounds uttered by most batrachians. The notes are long, as of a wind instrument, not unmelodious, and so powerful as to make themselves heard distinctly a mile off on still evenings. After the amorous period these toads retire to moist places and remain inactive, buried just deep enough to leave the broad green back on a level with the surface, and it is then far from easy to detect them. In this position they will wait for their prey—frogs, toads and birds. Often they capture and attempt to swallow things too large for them, a mistake made by snakes. In very wet seasons they sometimes come around houses and lie in wait for chickens or ducklings. In disposition they are fierce, savagely biting at anything that comes near them; and when they bite they hang on with the tenacity of a bull-dog, poisoning the blood with their glandular secretions. When teased, the escuerzo swells itself to such an extent that one expects to see it burst. It follows its tormentor about with slow, awkward leaps, the great mouth wide open, emitting incessantly a harsh, croaking sound.

Natives have been bitten by the escuerzo. In one case a gaucho sat down on the grass, and dropping his hand at his side, had it seized, and only freed himself by using his hunting knife to force open the toad's mouth. He washed and bandaged the wound, and no bad result followed; but the consequences may be different when the animal cannot be shaken off, for horses have been found dead with the vicious toad, also dead, having its jaws tightly closed, hanging on to the skin of the unfortunate quadrupeds. It is possible, of course, that Ceratophyrs ornata at times destroys itself in its savage attacks by an inability to let go at will.

PASSING OF THE SMOOTH FOX TERRIER.

The collapse of the smooth fox terrier as an important factor at dog shows in this country is one of the remarkable incidents in kennel world history. Since shows were first introduced to within four or five years ago this variety ranked as one of the leading, if not the leading, breed at all doggy gatherings. Now, and indeed for at least two years, its representation has been such as to warrant bench show committees seriously contemplating the reduction of the classification to a level of those breeds seldom represented by more than three or four specimens.

The curious phase of all this is that the individuality, the temperament and the appearance of the smooth fox terriers have not changed to the degree which would warrant such a complete collapse.

The reason is not due to the decadence of the dog itself, but to the fact that competition for something like the last ten years has been stunned. It is another case of one concern gobbling up everything in sight. In this instance it is the case of a large kennel monopolizing the prizes practically all over the country. The smaller concerns scattered over different points of the compass have become heartily sick of playing poor second fiddles at every minor show within reasonable haul of their quarters. They have either abandoned dog shows altogether or have taken up a breed competition which is not monopolized by one kennel.

Even if this policy of cleaning up all the prizes at practically every show east of the Rockies were desisted from, those who would return to the fold would be in a quandary to find suitable stud dogs. On this question, Fox Hills offers a communication in a New York daily, which reads as follows:

"I think it will be admitted by those who have kept in close touch with the smooth fox terrier that never since it first became popular here has it been in such a deplorable plight. While the causes are plain to those who look deeper than the surface, it is with a view to, if possible, restore things I write this.

"In England the breed is as strong numerically as ever and is especially rich in good bitches. Its dogs, however, by comparison, are much below the standard—so much so that breeders there have even resorted to a 'wire haired' infusion.

"Although always associated with the rougher coated variety, I have always more closely followed the effects of 'blood lines' in the smoother variety.

This for the reason that the 'smooth' in its relation to the 'wire' is as the thoroughbred to the hunter or hackney.

"Observation led me many years ago to the conclusion that continuous breeding of 'wire' to 'wire' led to the establishment of a common finish over the hips, a common quality, and shape of ears, and from these a tendency to commonness generally. In other words, the 'class,' 'quality,' smooth 'finish' over the hips intense character has to be obtained from the 'smooth.' For this reason I have always advocated a judicious infusion of certain smoother 'blood lines' for the purpose of producing the same high class character in 'wires' as is to be seen in the 'smooths.' I have never until now, however, considered a reversal of the order of things of the slightest benefit to the 'smooths.' My ideas on this have been the other way and rather acting as a taint than otherwise.

"Confining myself to the smooth variety in this country, the question presents itself, 'Where is there a dog with the right 'formation' and 'sufficiency' of bone which will transmit it without also transmitting common, uncharacteristic heads, coats of all lengths and textures but that desired and other objectionable features which have been handed down to him by an ancestor whose name appears far too frequently in ninety per cent of the smooths today?

"On the other hand, if one tries to avoid this particular ancestor and sticks to the 'line' type, character, 'top' and style, one is confronted with length of pastern, lightness of bone below the knee, apathetic ears, thin open coats and a tendency to oversize. Thus the 'smooth' breeder is between the devil and the deep sea.

"I know Loxenside Lake will be pointed out as an illustrious example of the 'wide' infusion, and, therefore, a solution of the problem. Of this I am skeptical, however, as the 'wide' infusion on him is, in my opinion, through an undesirable channel to that great 'wire' terrier, Sylvan Result. This channel to me could not possibly be a beneficial medium toward improving 'formation' of bone or texture of coat.

"The only means by which the 'wire-haired' infusion could benefit his smooth cousin would be to discover a 'wire' dog with smooth ancestors of undisputed merit running through his veins.

"There are plenty of 'wires' today with 'smooth' blood of a sort back of them. This was the case with the Duchess of Newcastle's earlier terriers, but the 'smooth' blood in them gave one the shudders. Some notable winning rough coated specimens from the Totteridge Kennels had a smooth infusion, but it was not the smooth blood calculated to be of any lasting value. Southboro Salex, high class and beautiful terrier as he was, cannot be regarded as a success at stud. He was out of a dam with what one might justly call common 'smooth' blood in her. And it is because common, second rate smooth blood has been resorted to, and not high class 'smooth' prize winners, that the majority of 'wire' breeders condemn 'smooth' blood.

"Yet of all the high class terriers I have known none has approached Raby Dazzler. In fact he is the only 'wire,' to my mind, who, given the correct coat for a 'smooth,' would stand out as a champion of champions.

"In other words he is an ideal 'smooth' with a wire haired jacket. This is what George Raper, Heywood Field and all old 'wire' enthusiasts have been looking for. And Dazzler gets this legitimately. His sire, Coltman Jack, is out of a bitch by the smooth dog Melford Rattler, not to be confused with Melford Terror, sire of Sabine Ruler. Dazzler's dam is out of a bitch also by Coltman Jack. Melford Rattler was out of Melford Molly, one of the most beautifully moulded bitches ever shown, and she in turn was out of Hunton Scoamke, herself a lovely model, and a matron justly entitled to rank among the greatest matrons of any time.

"It is through these two great bitches that, in my opinion, Raby Dazzler gets his 'super' formation of bone—for a 'wire'; his beautiful finish, top and 'poise' generally.

"His sire is by Sylvan Result, and his dam's sire is also by Sylvan Result. It is this which gives him 'the' expression and 'the' character.

"I have gone to this length because, in my opinion, Dazzler, of all 'wires,' seems by nature to have been selected as the salvation for smooth breeders, if it is intended by nature that the breed is to be restored by a 'wire.'

"That this is quite likely the success of the smooth puppy Ridgeway Envoy at New York may be taken as an omen. Envoy, I would point out, is by Dazzler's younger brother, Ridgeway Baffler.

"If 'smooth' breeders who read this question the advisability of breeding to either Dazzler, Baffler or Envoy, I can only say the results of such a union could not be worse than those resulting from a union with a smooth dog. Furthermore, the bitches from such a union should prove invaluable mates for a 'wire' dog if the breeder were not satisfied to continue further with it for producing 'smooths.' If he did continue, however, the most suitable sires should be found in a dog who in the direct male line went back to Visto."

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Boston Terrier Brings $1,500.—E. R. Wilbur recently purchased the Boston terrier, Clifton Star, from George F. Parker for a price said to be $1,500. This is the largest figure that has been paid for a dog of this breed in some time.

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Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

NATIVE DOGS OF OTHER COUNTRIES.

The Dingo is a native of Australia, called the Warrigle in that country, and, like the aboriginal native, is almost extinct, except in the wild interior of the country. He was formerly a menace to the stock farmer, and so a poison bait and traps were set, and the government, too, made a crusade against him.

The Dingo, like most wild dogs, resembles the wolf—but it is said that he can be trained to docility, and then he will exhibit great affection and intelligence—even greater than the domestic breed.

Next we have the kangaroo dogs, bred from the collie crossed with other breeds, and this interbreeding has produced a very capable dog of a definite type.

The Kelpie is the Australian sheep dog, a useful fellow in which it is possible to take pride.

The gazelle hound is in Persia called the "slugi" or the "tazi," this word meaning Arabian; horses are termed tazi also. The slugi is valued by the Arab. He speaks of him as "el-hor," the noble, and he is regarded as a dog of high degree. He has always the freedom of the tent and lies at the feet of his master. The children love and decorate him with rows of shells, gay colored beads and ornaments and he wears a sacred talisman around his neck to ward off the evil spirits, of which there seem many in the land of myth and mystery. "Ah! he is a gentleman indeed; he has been brought up with a slugi," is one of the Arab proverbs.

The Rampoor hound is a native of northern India, powerful in build, large boned, very swift and useful in hunting the wild jackal and running down the big game in the wild regions of India.

French staghounds, "le chien de French-Comte," the Vendean hound, the griffon Nivernaise and "le chien de Gascogne," all belong to France, which has preserved the old traditions of the ancient chasse more than any other country of the world.

The Medalan is a Russian bear hound resembling the mastiff more than he does the Great Dane, and is a very powerful strong dog.

The Samoyede is a Siberian, and is courageous and faithful. He is a dependable character and has become the draught dog in the region where he lives.

The Podengo is a native of Spain and Portugal. He is good for field work, but has a surly and vicious temper.

The Phu Quoc dog is indigenous to the island of that name in the Indo-China Sea, and is rapidly becoming extinct. The type somewhat resembles the leggy smooth Chow, but he has a curious coat near his shoulders, the hair all pointing toward his head. They are intelligent, and this story is told of one, who when teased by a European dog seized his tormentor by the head and neck, dragged him to a nearby pond and held him under the water until life was ended.

Italy has a dog known as the Spinone and is considered an ancient dog. He runs with the guns. Some of these dogs were taken to France in the reign of Henry IV. of France and the cross breed became valuable.

Central Asia has the Lhassa terrier, which is not unlike the Maltese terrier, which has been badly cared for and the silky coat allowed to tangle and get yellow. They have the reputation of being taciturn, but when well bred and brought up are wonderfully wise and devoted.

The Komondor is the Hungarian sheep dog and guards the flocks on the broad plains of Hungary from the depredations of the hungry wolf. The dogs of the Abrussi in Italy might pass for the Komondor, they are so much alike.

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British prejudice against Germany has been turned even against the kind of dog that bears "the unfortunate name of dachshund," complains a writer in the London Daily Mail, who says: "May I protest against the cruel and senseless manner in which some people are treating the unfortunate turnspit dogs because these poor dumb friends have been called by the German name of dachshund. These dogs, although very popular in Germany, are our old English turnspits, used in bygone days to turn, by means of a wheel, the roasting jack in the same way as the donkey at Carisbrooke Castle draws water from the well. On account of their name these dogs are now being treated not as enemy aliens to whom we are unpatriotically lenient, but most unjustly."

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Andrew Albright, Jr., was not long in filling the vacancy in the Baughfell Kennels caused by selling Champion King Oorang to Mrs. Anita Baldwin, of Rancho Santa Anita. He has just imported Cyprus Cadet, winner of thirty first prizes at three shows in England, which has taken five firsts and reserve for challenge prize at Manchester, besides six firsts and special for best Airedale at Blackburn show and winner of championship certificates at Crufts and Birmingham under such judges at Holland Buckley, R. T. Baines and J. G. Horrocks.

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A. J. Molera, owner of the El Sur Kennels of Monterey, will have a miniature dog show of his own, when he benches his entries at the Golden Gate show. Mr. Molera will show at least fifty or sixty dogs, it is reported, including French and English bulldogs, Scottish terriers, pointers, English setters, dachshunds, and deerhounds.

At the Traps

The Wizard of Spirit Lake.—"Shooters may come and shooters go, but Gilbert goes on forever," is a common expression in the trapshooting game. The man thus referred to is Fred Gilbert, popularly known everywhere as "The Wizard of Spirit Lake, Iowa," and unquestionably the greatest expert and most popular shooter who ever faced the traps.

Mr. Gilbert is particularly prominent in the public eye right now by reason of the Fred Gilbert Twentieth Anniversay Celebration, in which participated more than 500 gun clubs in all parts of the country. It is estimated that more than a million shots were fired by these gun clubs in Mr. Gilbert's honor—the greatest and grandest salute ever fired for any man. The Fred Gilbert celebration opened on March 13 and closed March 21, and in this period more than 10,000 trapshooters fired 100 shots each for the Fred Gilbert trophies, which were offered as prizes to the clubs holding shoots in honor of the "Wizard of Spirit Lake."

In the course of his career as a shooter Mr. Gilbert has shot at more than 200,000 targets in all parts of the United States and Canada, a record unapproached by any other shooter. To do this it has been necessary for him to shoot an average of from 15,000 to 20,000 targets a year. Nowadays a man who shoots 5000 targets a year feels that he has accomplished something quite out of the ordinary.

As a member of the victorious All-American team which invaded England, Ireland, Wales and portions of the Continent in 1901, Gilbert was ever the life of the party, and, more than any other man, was a factor in the successes that followed the invasion. In the seasons of 1901, 1902, 1903, 1904, 1905 and 1907 he won the high average from thousands of competors, a record never even approached by any other shooter, and one which is likely to stand for all time to come.

It was at Baltimore, in 1895, that Gilbert, then a youthful product of the Western prairies, first earned fame, when he outshot one of the greatest fields of live-bird shots ever assembled at any shoot. His wonderful skill, attained in hunting ducks and prairie chickens from boyhood, stood him in good stead and earned him recognition which is still his. Nor is he showing any signs of "going back," for in 1914 he shot at nearly 5000 targets for an average of nearly 93 per cent., which is "going some."

On March 17 Gilbert attended a large complimentary dinner in his honor at Wilmington, Del., which will always stand out as one of the eventful happenings of trapshooting history. The dinner was preceded by a Fred Gilbert shoot at the Du Pont Gun Club in the afternoon, which attracted a large field of gunners from all sections of the country.

Mr. Gilbert's records speak for themselves and attest his skill as the greatest marksman who ever shouldered a gun, and his thousands of friends throughout the shooting world proclaim him the most popular. In his own State of Iowa he is considered one of the leading citizens of the commonwealth, and everywhere unusual honor is accorded him. As one prominent shooter of that State aptly expressed himself, "Iowa has no prouder boast, no more popular toast, than Fred Gilbert, the Wizard of Spirit Lake."

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Refusal of Entries.—Manager Elmer E. Shaner sends the following communication:

"We would be pleased to have you announce in the Trap Department of Breeder and Sportsman that The Interstate Association concedes the right of a club holding a registered tournament to refuse any entry in all events, if this right is reserved and so announced in the program, with the exception of entries for 'The Interstate Association's State amateur championship' at a State tournament. This particular event shall be open to all amateurs who are bona fide residents of the State in which the State tournament is held. All applications for registration of State tournaments have been approved with this distinct understanding."

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Live Bird Shoot—At the California Wing Shooting Club's regular monthly shoot at Sobrante April 4, C. C. Nauman and W. W. Terrill, shooting from the extreme handicap distance of 33 yards rise, in the club medal trophy match, kept up their winning stride by again shooting straight scores of 12 birds each. Captain A. W. Du Bray, 29 yards, shooting with a 20-gauge gun, also dropped the full dozen birds, the first five with one barrel. Barney Worthen, 30 yards, his first appearance with the Wing Club cracks, also was in the full-score class. Ed L. Hoag, 31 yards, 11 birds (lost his last pigeon after having scored straight in the March medal match); Toney Prior, 31 yards, slipped his fourth bird and wound up with 11. Ted Riley's second bird also put him in the 11 hole, shooting from 28 yards rise. "Gilt Edge" Ruhstaller and Walsh were not in form, for both grassed every bird at the previous monthly match. Walsh lost three in a row Sunday.

Nauman then scored another straight at 33 yards rise in the club purse match, and so did Ruhstaller and Simson, both redeeming themselves at the 29-yard peg. The three high guns divided the purse. Captain Du Bray, 28 yards; Riley and Stelling, 29 yards each; Worthen, 30 yards, were all one bird shy of a perfect score. Worthen's last flyer slipped through the pattern of chilled shot.

n the two 6-bird matches at 30 yards distance winners were: Walsh, Ruhstaller and Prior; uman, Prior, Simson and Worthen. The attrac- ns of the trout streams accounted for a smaller ndance than usual. The scores follow:

Forenoon medal match, 12 white flyers, distance ndicap, high guns to win—

pt. A. W. Du Bray	29 yds.	11111 21212 22—12	
C. Nauman	33 "	21112 11111 22—12	
W. Terrill	33 "	21212 21111 12—12	
ney Worthen	30 "	22221 11111 22—12	
Hoag	31 "	12222 12221 10—11	
Prior	31 "	11102 12122 12—11	
ley	28 "	10221 21212 21—11	
uthbert	30 "	10202 12222 22—10	
S. Northcroft	28 "	22020 21202 22— 9	
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	30 "	11111 01021 10— 9	
	29 "	22021 11010 12— 9	
Stelling	29 "	22122 00011 11— 9	
J. Walsh			

Afternoon purse match, 12 white flyers, distance ndicap, high guns to win, three moneys—

C. Nauman	33 yds.	21211 11111 12—12	
Ruhstaller	29 "	21112 11111 11—12	
nson	29 "	12111 11211 11—12	
pt. A. W. Du Bray	28 "	12221 01222 22—11	
L. Hoag	29 "	21111 12220 22—11	
ed Riley	29 "	12211 21222 20—11	
Stelling	29 "	11112 10221 12—11	
arney Worthen	30 "	12112 12212 20—11	
W. Terrill	31 "	21112 12101 01—10	
J. Walsh	27 "	11101 12221 01—10	
oney Prior	32 "	20221 11211 00— 9	
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Capitol City In Line Again.—Time was when Sacramento trap shooters kept two live clubs going. For several years past, however, the Capitol City sportsmen have indulged in trap shooting only in a desultory way. The recent organization of a new club will tend to put some ginger in the game up the river. The Sacramento Union gives the following account of a shoot held April 4:

Frank Newbert and Lee Gorman took high honors at the first regular shoot of the Big Time Gun Club at John Schenk's ranch, on the Fruitridge road, Sunday. Sixty shooters and a large number of their lady friends and wives turned out to participate in and witness the shooting.

Despite the fact that the club was only recently organized, there are 88 members enrolled at the present time. Two minor shoots were staged prior to the big meet last Sunday.

Frank Newbert took first honors in the single shooting, with 49 blue rocks broken out of a possible 50. Lee Gorman was the best in the doubles, breaking 22 out of a possible 24.

The officers and members of the club are as follows: Lee Gorman, president; H. F. Stober, secretary, and Monte Newbert, field captain; John Schenk, Dr. P. A. Webber, F. M. Newbert, L. S. Upson, J. W. Haley, W. J. Higgins, J. B. Brennan, Dr. W. W. Goode, Andy Just, F. J. Ruhstaller, Charles Mathews, A. D. Patterson, Charles De Boice, H. E. Odbert, F. P. Christophel, Dr. John L. White, J. M. Inman, Hal Stevens, J. Gusto, C. F. Adams, H. P. Tharp, Dr. J. H. Stineman, A. E. Pearson, C. O. Busick, Ed Pyburn, F. G. Egersdoff, Hugo Knapp, L. B. Stober, Fred C. Starr, Joe Carey, W. C. Thielan, A. E. Koletzke, H. F. Stober, D. M. Ruth, S. M. Skeels, W. E. Blair, Ralph Jost, Arthur Day, E. L. Soule, Gus Zinkgraf, William Dormody, Jerry Morrell, M. Priest, George Attucker, Ed Yardley, E. Raffetto, Charles Tuttle, George Newbert, Percy Bouhaure, W. W. Leeman, G. A. Macraue, D. J. Ruhstaller, Robert Schenk, Lew Schenk, Alvin Newbert, Lee Borland, Dr. C. A. Nahl, William Dreher, Frank Pagni, Fred Ferrier, O. Fritzache, Carl Stoner, George Chambers, W. Bates, Matt Speich, Dan P. Jones, Dan Tofft, George Little, Al Saunders, H. W. Newman, E. L. Ilgner, H. G. Trumpler, George Stall, Frank Stall, E. C. Pugh, A. La Bare, F. M. Newman, Charles Fleck, G. Faig, Ed Casper, Robert Bottoms, George Hinrichsen, E. L. Burst, J. C. Brown, Otto Klemmer.

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Garden City Traps.—The following scores at singles were made at the San Jose Blue Rock Club shoot April 4:

Dr. A. M. Barker 80—100, G. H. Anderson 91—100, W. H. Cadwallader 91—100, Ray Hogg 88—100, A. F. Lewis 85—100, C. A. Argues 75—100, R. Chapman 72—100, C. H. Nash 71—75, J. T. Downs 70—75, W. J. McKagney 65—75.

Doubles—24 pair, 48—G. H. Anderson 41—48, A. F. Lewis 38—48, W. J. McKagney 29—48, R. Chapman 24—48, R. Hogg 24—48, C. A. Argues 24—48.

Standing of Class A on 150 shots: Dr. Barker 147—150, G. H. Anderson 142—150, Ada Schilling 140—150, Ray Hogg 129—150, A. F. Lewis 127—150.

Nash, Downs, McKagney and Cadwallader have not shot 150 up to date.

In Class B E. W. Jack is high. Score, 135—150.

Class C: Clem Arques, 120—150; H. H. Clark, 118—150.

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Three Days Shooting.—The Newman Blue Rock Club two day registered tournament starts this morning and will continue tomorrow. The Owl Rod and Gun Club will begin operations at Modesto Monday morning, making three days in a row.

There will be a large crowd of valley shooters in attendance, reinforced by Stockton, Sacramento, San Francisco and San Jose trigger pullers. Both the Newman and Modesto shoots are always favorite gathering points for the gun bugs—both cities have a deserved reputation for hospitality and good sportsmanship.

Interstate Association Tournaments—

May 11, 12, 13—The Interstate Association Tenth Southern Handicap Tournament, Memphis, Tenn., under the auspices of the Memphis Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Southern Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

June 15, 16, 17—The Interstate Association's Tenth Western Handicap Tournament, St. Louis, Mo., under the auspices of the Missouri Athletic Association Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Western Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

July 8, 9, 10—The Interstate Association's Tenth Pacific Coast Handicap Tournament, San Diego, Cal., under the auspices of the Pastime Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Pacific Coast Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

August 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chicago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy, and the winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

April 7—Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n Tournament, A. R. Bain, Secretary, Ogden, Utah.

April 10, 11—Newman Blue Rock Club, E. R. Dixon, Secretary, Newman, Cal.

April 12—Owl Rod & Gun Club, Henry Garrison, Secretary, Modesto, Cal.

April 19—Capital City Rod and Gun Club, Mark Siddall, Secretary, Salem, Ore.

April 26, 27—Oregon State Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Ore.

April 28—"T. B." Trap and Gun Club, Lieut. Stephen W. Wallace, Secretary, Las Animas, Colo.

May 5—Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n Tournament, A. R. Bain, Secretary, Springville, Utah.

May 14—Pueblo Gun Club, F. S. Rainey, President, Pueblo, Colo.

May 18, 19—Washington State Tournament, under the auspices of the Seattle Trap Shooters Ass'n, Hugh Fleming, Secretary, Seattle Wash.

May 26, 27—Delta County Gun Club, Nick Powell and R. A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

May 29, 30—Utah State Tournament, under the auspices of the Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n, A. R. Bain, Secretary, Salt Lake City.

May 29, 30, 31—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary, San Jose.

June 3, 4, 5—Annual Tournament of Rocky Mountain Interstate Sportsmen's Association, under auspices of Mile High Gun Club, Wm. M. Bowman, Secretary, Denver, Colo.

WOMEN ENJOY BREAKING BLUE ROCKS.

[By Harriet D. Hammond.]

The growth of trapshooting has been tremendous in the last few years, especially among the gentler sex. Women and young girls all over the country have found out for themselves the fascinations and delights of trapshooting, and since they have learned that it is not alone a sport for men they, too, enjoy breaking the elusive blue rocks, and many of them have become so expert that they are able to compete in tournaments and matches with the male experts of the sport.

There are few big trapshooting events scheduled now in which the women are not asked to participate, and the men are not only proud of them, but their hearts throb with delight when they realize that they have real comrades in their wives and daughters who are not only interested, but able to enter into their best loved sport.

At the celebrated Westy Hogan tournament, at Atlantic City last September, three squads of women from different parts of the United States shot through the ladies' event, and they received the heartiest of welcomes from the Westy Hogans and their friends. All the old shooters had a handshake for the women. They realize that the women do not delay the game and that a little touch of refinement will go a long way toward putting the sport where it belongs.

At the annual trapshooting tournament held in connection with the Sportsmen's Show, at Grand Central Palace, New York City, for the last two years, women have played a prominent part, and some of the more expert of them have displayed wonderful skill in the handling of the shotgun.

Aside from the fascinations of trapshooting, we must consider the great benefit it is to women and young girls. As a strengthener of muscles and a steadier of nerves it cannot be surpassed. It also causes women to lose all signs of timidity and makes them fully competent to take care of themselves under all circumstances.

The frail, delicate girl starts out with a little 20-gauge shotgun. At first the gun seems heavy, and she looks in perfect amazement at her chum, who can handle a 12-gauge. After a few weeks, her muscles become accustomed to their new work, and she is able to put her gun to her shoulder easily and gracefully, for she is no longer conscious of the weight of it. In six months' time she, too, asks to be promoted to the larger bore gun, and soon handles that as well as she did the little 20-gauge. The same little girl will tell you that since she has been shooting her chest has filled out and she is stronger than she has ever been and her appetite has improved wonderfully. Her dinner never tastes so good to her as after a shoot, and the best night's rest of the week comes after an afternoon at the traps. Most gun clubs are situated in the suburbs of towns, so that an afternoon at the club also means an afternoon in the pure, fresh country air, something that every one enjoys.

Home trapshooting has become almost as popular as shooting at gun clubs, and persons living in the country find it a splendid way of entertaining their friends. They select an open field for their shooting grounds, and the equipment consists simply of a hand trap and a barrel of blue rocks. The guests are invited to bring their guns and ammunition and spend an afternoon in the country. And, oh, the fun they do have—especially when there is some one in the party who is expert in handling the hand or joker trap, as it sometimes is called. At the call of "Pull" the targets appear at most surprising angles, and the shooters find it a never-ending source of pleasure and enjoyment to go after them. They feel puffed up, too, when they break them and count themselves "some shooters."

After the ammunition has become exhausted, the guests repair to the home of their host and hostess, where a most inviting supper awaits them, and to which they are able to do full justice. The chief topic of conversation at supper is the shoot and the splendid sport of shooting with the hand trap. The women of the party are just as enthusiastic as the men. They never seem to weary of the subject, and at the close of the evening, when they are about to depart, vote the afternoon's entertainment the "best ever."

Persons who have yachts and motorboats give trapshooting parties on the water in the summer time, to which they invite their friends. They seldom have any one decline their invitation, for these informal trapshooting parties are daily becoming more popular among the sport-loving people of America.

To the women who know nothing of the delights and benefits of trapshooting we would say: Don't miss one of the best opportunities of your lifetime for having real, genuine fun, but come out and let us who have tasted of this most enjoyable and beneficial sport initiate you into our clubs and show you what trapshooting is and how to enjoy the sport of sports for women.

FISH AND GAME INFORMATION.

The April number of "California Fish and Game," the new quarterly periodical of the California Fish and Game Commission, is just off the press. The object of this periodical is to bring accurate information concerning the wild life of this State to all those interested. Its motto is "Conservation through Education." Two numbers have already been issued and this third number, both in size, illustrations, and reading material, is the most attractive yet published. This publication has a particularly good field at the present time since there is no monthly sporting magazine west of the Rockies. California Fish and Game, however, is not a typical sporting magazine, for it does not publish the hunting and fishing stories which usually fill the pages of such magazines. On the contrary it seeks to publish only articles of scientific worth and such notes as will be not only interesting but of value to readers.

The April number contains a finely illustrated article by Barton Warren Evermann, director of the California Academy of Sciences, on "An Attempt to Save California Elk." Harold C. Bryant, game expert of the California Fish and Game Commission, contributes an article on "California's Fur-bearing Mammals." Dr. T. S. Palmer furnishes an article on "Wardens and Warden Work." Three shorter articles follow bearing on the titles "The Tennessee Possum has Arrived in California," by Joseph Grinnell, director of the California Museum of Vertebrate Zoology; "The Halibut Fishery of the Pacific Coast," by Edward P. Rankin, General Assistant, Scientific Department, U. S. S. Albatross; and "Public Fishing vs. Private Hunting," by F. M. Newbert, president California Fish and Game Commission. The periodical also contains shorter notes under the headings "Editorials," "Hatchery and Fishery Notes," "Conservation in Other States," "Life History Notes," and "Wild Life in Relation to Agriculture," which are of interest to the business man who has little time for longer articles. Complete and detailed reports of the work of the California Fish and Game Commission and the monthly expenditures are also to be found.

It is the desire of the California Fish and Game Commission to place this periodical in the hands of everyone interested in the conservation of California's wild life. California Fish and Game will be sent free to citizens of the State on application to the Fish and Game Commission.

TROUT SEASON OPENS.

The trout season opened in Marin county last Thursday, April 1, but strange to say but few of the old timers whipped the streams. Most of the anglers were school boys, who returned with fairly good strings. The streams were rather swollen, it having rained a few days before. The water was muddy in many places and the fish did not respond to the fly. Bait fishing was the rule.

Along the Paper Mill creek and Lagunitas the fishing was good, many of the early fishermen securing the limit. A few of the fishermen camped along the Ross Valley creek, securing several good sized steelhead.

For a short time it would not be a bad idea to try the tidal waters of Ross creek, near Kentfield, and also the Mill Valley creek, in the marsh sloughs below the junction. The report that steelhead were in the Rodeo lagoon, above Point Bonita, on the Marin ocean shore, tempted several local rodsters to try the tidewater Thursday.

THE FARM

One of the most important features of a home, from the standpoint of health, if for nothing else, is a fruit garden maintained for the purpose of supplying the family with fruits. Yet it is amazing that many persons, who have suitable situations and facilities for raising fruit, and who cannot purchase because of remoteness from markets, have not established home fruit gardens.

The inhabitants of this country are notably a fruit-loving and fruit-eating people. Nothwithstanding this, however, fruit culture has grown to be classed among specialties, and few persons who consume fruit are actually growers. The possibilities in fruit culture upon restricted areas have been generally overlooked with the result that many persons who own a suburban home, or a farm, look upon fruit as a luxury. A great deal of the land which is now practically wasted and entirely unremunerative can be made to produce fruits in sufficient quantity to give them a regular place upon the family bill-of-fare, and, at the same time, add greatly to the attractiveness of the table and the healthfulness of the diet.

With the growth of the commercial fruit interests of the United States, the home fruit garden has been overshadowed by the commercial orchard. While both the home garden and the orchard are essential to the good of the community, they bear different relations to the country as a whole. The home garden usually is a forerunner of commercial development, and even in those localities where climatic and soil conditions are adverse to conducting fruit growing on an extensive scale, the home fruit garden should be found.

The home production of fruit stimulates an interest and love for natural objects, which can only be acquired by that familiarity with them which comes through their culture. The cultivation of fruits teaches discrimination. If every purchaser were a good judge of the different kinds of fruits, the demands for fruits of high quality, to produce which is the ambition of every amateur as well as every professional fruit grower, would become a reality. The encouragement of the cultivation of fine fruits in the home garden will do much toward teaching buyers to discriminate between the good and the inferior varieties of fruit.

The interest of a fruit garden may be greatly enhanced by growing in them also plants not adapted naturally to the climatic region in which the garden is located.

Another scheme of special interest is the improvement of varieties by selection or by plant breeding. Ingenious gardeners can add to the interest also by grafting many varieties on one tree or by constructing arbors and summer houses with trees and vines.

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(dam of Bondalean (2) 2:20½) by Tom Smith 2:13¼, dam Kate Lumry 2:20½ (dam of 5 trotters including Baby Doll 2:10¼, Ella Mac 2:11½, etc.) by Shadeland Onward 2:18½. Katalina was a stake winner, a great aged trotter, and her first foal is a fast, standard performer. She breeds regularly and will become more famous as a producer than is her dam.

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by All Style 2:10, dam Katalina 2:11¼. Staked, paid up. Good prospect.

BAY FILLY, WEANLING

by The Proof (2) 2:29¾, dam Katalina 2:11¼. Nice individual and bred to make a fast mare.

LULU MACK

(dam of Capitola (3) 2:14½), by Arthur Wilkes, sire of Maymack 2:04½, etc., dam Lady Merrill by Tilton Almont, sire of the dam of Monte Carlo 2:07¼, etc. Good breeder and a proven producer.

BAY FILLY

three years old, sister to Capitola (3) 2:14½, never broken.

FIRST NATIONAL

bay colt, two years old, brother to Capitola (3) 2:14½. Staked, paid up. Fine youngster.

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MISS QUEALY (2) 2:26¾

Full sister to MANRICO (3) 2:07¼, winner of Kentucky Futurity 1912, and holder of world's record for sixth heat. Seven years old, trained slightly as a three-year-old and showed half in 1:06 over a half-mile track; has been in training ninety days and recently worked a half in 1:04½; absolutely will not break, good gaited, sound, and a handsome individual. Can trot a two-minute gait and has every right to make a very fast, consistent, good mannered race mare. Price $1750.

ALARICH 2:11¼ (Breeder's mark 2:09), trotter, bay gelding with black points, 15.3, handsome, sound, fast and game; trialed at Santa Rosa last season in 2:06¾ and can do it again. Is a first class doer, can race twice a week and is eligible to the 2:13 class trots on mile tracks and to the 2:18 class on half-mile tracks; has shown well on the twice-arounds. Price, $550.

HELEN BELLE (2) 2:22½, breeder's record, bay filly, foaled 1912, good gaited, good headed, sound and extremely fast; was taken up absolutely green on Sept. 3 and has developed in a most satisfactory manner, taking her mark in December, since which time she has been an eighth in :16, half in 1:09. Sired by California's greatest sire of colt trotters, CARLOKIN 2:07½. First dam Carolyn C. by Axtell (3) 2:12 (a champion); second dam by Expedition, sire of Bon Voyage 2:08; third dam by Princeps (son of Woodford Mamb.); fourth dam by Hambletonian 10.

Carolyn C. had two minute speed. This great filly is entered and paid up in the Occident stake, the State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A., and Oregon Futurities for 1915. The best buy in California at $1400.

NELLIE Mc,

black mare, trotter, eight years old, racing sound but is blemished; has always trained sound and I believe will continue to do so. Trialed at Sacramento in 2:10½ and has been a half lately in 1:03¾. Is a splendid mannered mare—anyone can drive her anywhere. She races first class, is fast, good headed, good gaited and dead game.

Sired by ZOLOCK 2:05¼, dam by Wilkes Moor, son of Guy Wilkes.

Stands about 15.3, is a round made extra good looking mare, weighs about 1140, has splendid legs and feet. She negotiates a half mile circle in A-1 style, should surely beat 2:10 this year. Does not pull a pound and can be placed anywhere. Eligible to any class. Price $1000.00.

CARLETA,

bay filly, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ALEXANDRIA, tr. 2:20, by Bon Voyage 2:08; second dam by Oakland Baron 2:09¼; third dam by Allandorf, etc.

This is a good trotter and should be prominent in her stake engagements. Is very handsome, good headed, sound and comes from familes noted for early speed. In training now and improving very fast; trialed recently, half mile in 1:11½, eighth in :16¾.

She is entered and paid up to date in the following stakes: Panama-Pacific $3,000 for two-year-olds, Stanford, Occident, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. Price $1200.

OMAR, gelding,

trotter, trial 2:13¾, half in 1:05, eighths in :15; good headed, sound and can be depended upon. Is a beautifully gaited big horse and should prove useful to race over the twice arounds or for a matinee and road horse. He is fearless and is one of the most pleasant driving horses I have ever ridden behind. Stands slightly over 16 hands, weighs about 1200, is eight years old. Sired by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam Pineapple by Albion (son of General Benton). A present at $350.00.

CARLSCHEN (2) 2:23, breeder's record, brown gelding by CARLOKIN, dam BONNIE AILSIE 2:08½ (dam of Contention B. (3) 2:08¼) by Faustino, son of Sidney.

Trialed with a little work last year a half in 1:09, is extremely promising and looks to be as good a prospect as any of the colts racing last year in the two-year-old trots. Is engaged in several of the futurities including the P. C. T. H. B. A., Pleasanton and State Fair Futurities. Is a splendid type, beautifully gaited, good headed and has extreme speed. He does it right. Ready to show and trotted a half recently in 1:07. Price $800.00.

HERMES, brown colt,

two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam MISS QUEALY (full sister to Manrico 2:07¼).

This is one of the most promising trotters I have ever handled. Is an especially nice gaited colt, can show a 2:20 gait, is good headed and on the whole the most promising youngster I know of for the western stakes. Is also a show horse. Is entered and paid up in the Occident, Stanford, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. His dam is an extremely fast trotter, having shown a two minute gait in her three-year-old form, and his second dam produced two to hold world's records—Manrico and Don Pronto.

This youngster is spoken of as the most impressive colt trotter at Los Angeles. Trialed lately in 2:29, last eighth in :17½. Price $1500.00.

JOHNNY DUGAN,

3-yr.-old breeder's record 2:16,

pacer, no straps, bay gelding four years old, straight and sound, trialed a half in 1:04 last year in his three-year-old form and could pace around 2:10 in June.

Sire, CARLOKIN 2:07½; dam Annabelle L. (full sister to Murray M. and Robert L. 2:08¾) by Hambletonian Wilkes; second dam Annabelle 2:27½ (dam of La Belle 2:16); third dam by Williamson's Belmont. A great buy at $350.00.

OLD FOLKS,

bay gelding, trotter, five years old, trialed as a two-year-old in 2:31½, as a three-year-old in 2:18½, and in his four-year-old form last May in 2:11, last half in 1:04. Is sound, good gaited, good headed, and should 2:08 this year. Comes from a family of good race horses on both sides—by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam IRAN BELLE, by Iran Alto 2:12¼; second dam ANNABELLE, etc. He stands A-1 with the railbirds around Los Angeles and is in training and ready to go on with and race this year. Price $1250. Working beautifully.

NICOLA B. (2) 2:23¼

Winner two-year-old division Oregon Futurity, 1914.

Received slight injury just prior to going to the races in 1914, up to which time he was the most promising colt in my stable, working mile first part of June in 2:17, half in 1:06. Started twice, was once first, once second. Now in training and has brushed an eighth lately in :16; sound, grand individual, paid up in six western stakes and has every license to win. Son of Carlokin 2:07½ and Atherine 2:16¾, dam of Copa de Oro 2:01, Rags 2:09¼, etc. Price $2250. Getting better daily.

AND ONE FOR THE $20,000 P.-P. I. E. TROTS—RAGS 2:09¼, winner of the Breeder's and Oregon Futurities, the Stanford and the Occident stakes as a three-year-old, and the Governor's Stake, $5000, as a four-year-old—in all, beaten in but two out of eight starts, second in those two, and beaten only by 2:05 trotters. In my opinion as good a prospect for the big stakes as anyone has. He is a really great race horse, is racing sound, and has developed from an overgrown four-year-old into a sturdy, strong, exceptionally fine individual. Should be engaged in the Panama-Pacific $20,000 stakes, for which I already have entries. None better bred—by Del Coronado and out of the dam of Copa de Oro 1:59, etc. Price $2000.

In addition to the ones above mentioned I will offer to intending buyers JIM CRAM, three-year-old pacer (brother to Chango 2:12¼), the two-year-old pacer SANDY McNABB (staked), FIVE YEARLINGS and SIX TWO-YEAR-OLDS, most of which are in training and ready to show.

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COPA DE ORO 1:59
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CARLOKIN 2:07 1-2
EXHIBITION MILE 2:05 1-4

Champion Pacing Stallion of the West and Sire of a Champion

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Golden Bay. Height 15.3½. Weight 1160.

Sire of CONTENTION B. (2) 2:24¼, (3) 2:08¼, the latter mark a world's record when made, and but one-quarter of a second removed from present record for three-year-old pacing geldings. Public trial (3) 2:07¼. Also sire of

Chango p. (3).....2:12¼	De Ora (3) 2:17
2-yr.-old record 2:13½.	2-yr.-old record 2:27¼.
Trial (3) 2:09	Gold Lily p. (2)....2:24½

Patrick de Oro p (3)2:22¼, trial (3) 2:08¼, ½-mi. track

Copa de Oro has been retired to the stud for but a very few years and these are from his first foals. Where can you find a stallion whose get have made an equal showing?

COPA DE ORO is the fastest son of Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ (sire of 8 in 2:10); first dam Atherine 2:16¾ (great brood mare) by Patron 2:14¼, sire of the dams of 7 in 2:10; second dam Athene (dam of 2 trotters, etc.) by Harold 413, sire of Maud S. 2:08¾ and the dams of 5 in 2:10; third dam Minerva (great brood mare) by Pilot Jr. 12, sire of the dams of Maud S. 2:08¾ and 3 others in 2:10, etc. He is one of the handsomest horses in the world, as well as one of the fastest, and is undoubtedly the best bred of all extremely fast pacing sires. From the first I heralded him as the Coast's future great pacing sire, and the performances of his youngsters recorded above certainly show that I had most excellent grounds for that belief.

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Champion Trotter and Champion Sire of Trotters in the West

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Mahogany Bay. Height 15.1½. Weight 1060.

Sire of ESPERANZA (3) 2:09, only three-year-old to win every trotting stake for that age on the Pacific coast, and also the following colt performers:

Ethel D. (3).....2:11	Helen Belle (2)....2:22½
Johnny Dugan p (3)2:16	Nicola B. (2).....2:23½
John Warwick (2) 2:17	Santiago (3) 2:24¼
The Lark (3).....2:18½	May Marian p (3)..2:24¼
Carl (2) 2:19¾	Carlrich p (2) 2:27½
Miss Carlokin p 2:20	El Carbine (2).....2:29
Carsto (2) 2:22½	Eileen C. (3) 2:29¼
Carlschen (2) 2:23	Carlos (2) 2:29¼
Fuiton G. (2).....2:30	

CARLOKIN is the best bred son fo McKinney 2:11¼, foremost among the progenitors of 2:10 speed, being out of that sterling producing matron Carlotta Wilkes (dam of Inferlotta 2:04¾, Mary Dillon 2:06¼, Guy Borden 2:07¼, Carlokin 2:07½, and 6 others in 2:30) by Charley Wilkes 3653; second dam Aspasia (dam of 4) by Alcantara 2:23, sire of the dams of 20 in 2:10; third dam Miss Buchanan (dam of 1) by Clark Chief 89, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10, etc. Carlokin was not only a fast and rugged campaigner, but, point for point, one of the most ideal individuals ever foaled. I chose him from among all the best horses of the country as a prospective great sire, and in 1913-1914 his get won more coas: futurities than those of all other sires combined. What more could you ask of them?

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offers for service for the season of 1915 the following stallions:

Joe Patchen II 2:03¼

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 1128.
A. T. R. No. 47491

BEST MONEY WINNING PACER

By JOE PATCHEN 2:01¼, sire of Dan Patch 1:55¼ and 6 others in 2:10. Dam, Bessie Bonehill 2:05¾ (dam of 2 in 2:10) by Empire Wilkes 2:29¼; second dam Arab Girl (dam of 7) by Crittenden 433, sire of the dams of 6 in 2:10.

Joe Patchen II comes from a long line of famous ancestors and is himself one of the best known and most popular pacers in America, with all the qualities of speed, stamina and individual excellence necessary to the making of a truly great horse—one of the kind you would expect to find after a glance over the array of famous performers owning allegiance to the families from which he comes. He is an excellent breeder, transmitting uniformly his own desirable characteristics and his few foals in California are promising to the highest degree.

Mahomet Watts 2:08¼

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 2312.
A. T. R. No. 51518.

AXWORTHY ELECTIONEER

By GEN. WATTS (3) 2:06¾, sire of three three-year-old trotters in 2:10. Dam Alla P. 2:21¼ (dam of 3) by Palo Alto 2:08¾, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10; second dam Lula Wilkes (dam of 5), by George Wilkes 2:22, sire of the dams of 15 in 2:10.

Mahomet Watts is not only the fastest performer credited to Gen. Watts (3) 2:06¾ (whose breeding on qualities have been prime factors in the rise of the great house of the Axworthys) but he springs on the maternal side from the most firmly established families of champion producers—those of Electioneer and George Wilkes. He is a pleasing individual of fine finish and extreme speed, having a three-year-old record of 2:10 and being timed separately in a race last year in 2:05¼, whose services should be most welcome to California breeders.

Fee for Joe Patchen II or Mahomet Watts, $100 with usual return privilege

Service fee refunded to owners of mares bred to Mahomet Watts proving not with foal.

Vernon McKinney 2:01½

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A. T. R. No. 53803.

FASTEST OF THE McKINNEYS

By GUY McKINNEY 37625, son of McKinney 2:11¼, dam by Guy Wilkes. Dam Maud Vernon by Mount Vernon 2:15¼, sire of the dam of Leata J. 2:03, etc.; second dam Mag by Gen. McClellan, sire of the dam of Mack Mack 2:08, etc.

No member of the McKinney family excells Vernon McKinney in point of speed or individual excellence. He is a horse of much substance—16 hands, 1200 pounds—bred in lines of intense prolificacy and evidencing in every way his ability to "live up to his pedigree." No horse has greater natural speed or a more effortless way of going. He is a sure breeder and his youngsters are the readiest sellers of their age in California—a statement proven by recent sales and tentative offerings for the get of mares due to foal to him this year.

Zomblack 2:26, tr. 3, 2:08¾

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 1127.
A. T. R. No. 54955

BEST SON OF ZOMBRO

By ZOMBRO 2:11, sire of twenty and the dams of three in 2:10.

Dam, Madeline Marshall (dam of 2) by Demonio 2:11¼, sire of 7 and dam of 1 in 2:10; second dam Mamie Comet (dam of 3) by Nutwood 2:18¾, sire of 2 and dams of 21 in 2:10.

Zomblack is one of the handsomest horses ever foaled in California as well as one of the fastest. His extreme speed came to him early and naturally, and he is unexcelled in size and conformation—an ideal type of the American trotter in every important respect. He is intensely bred in speed producing lines and we have no hesitation in advancing the claim that he is the very best son of Zombro 2:11, in his turn the best son of McKinney. In every instance the families represented in his pedigree are breeding on most successfully.

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GOLDSMITH LOU "	¼ mile	:35½
GERTRUDE RIVES "	¼ mile	:36¾
BILLIE BOYD "	¼ mile	:38

This includes the entire get of WILBUR LOU.

KINNEY de LOPEZ 2:23.

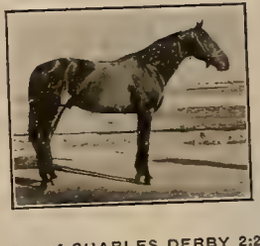
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Son of CHARLES DERBY 2:20, brother to Klatawah (3) 2:05½, etc., and sire of TEN in 2:10.

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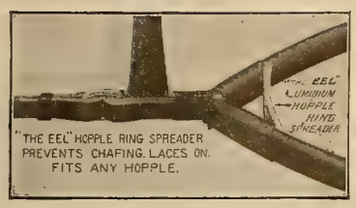
First dam MARY GORDON 2:09¾ by GORDON 3127 (son of Onward 2:25¼); second dam Nell by Young Octoroon, sire of Shadow (dam of 4 and grandam of Peter the Great 2:07¼, J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, etc.) Will make a limited season of 20 mares at Pleasanton Driving Park at $35 with usual return privilege. Every mare bred to him this year will be nominated in the Breeders and State Fair Futurities for foals of 1916 and first payment made by his owner. Address for all particulars

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In the stud, season of 1915, at Pleasanton Driving Park, at $50 the season with return privilege. We have colts in training to show his qualities as a sire. Grandsons of Bingen are siring champions such as Etawah 2:03½, Anna Bradford (3) 2:00¾, etc. Address for all particulars,

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Bon McKinney 51480



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Three-year-old record 2:24½; trial (3) 2:15, 1:05.

Sire of

Bon Courage (2) 2:12¾ — **Bon Bell (3) 2:17¾**

Son of BON VOYAGE 2:08 and DAPHNE McKINNEY (dam of Frank N. 2:07¼, etc.), by McKinney 2:11¼; second dam La Moscovita (dam of Bon Guy (3) 2:11¾ and 2 others) by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼; third, fourth and fifth dams also in great brood mare list. Bay horse, in every respect a great individual, with substance, finish, and natural, frictionless trotting action. Very sure foal getter and a steadily rising young sire, his few foals possessing his most excellent qualities to a marked degree. Bon Courage was the only California bred three-year-old to win a heat from Esperanza in 1914.

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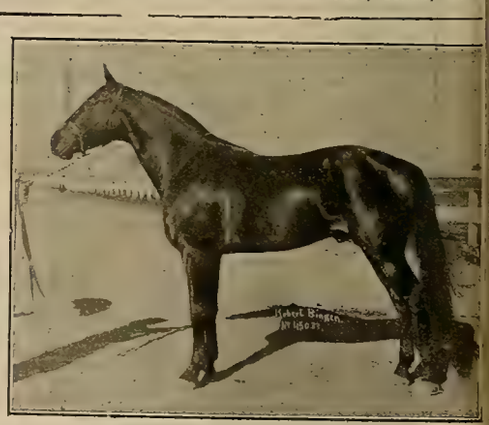
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Madeline Marshall (dam of two) by Demonio 2:11¼, grandam Mamie Comet (dam of three) by Nutwood 2:18¾. She is due to foal in May to the cover of Robert Bingen 2:11¼, and is the dam of **Zomblack,** heralded as the best green pacer at Pleasanton—has worked that track this spring in 2:10. Both these mares are great producers of speed.

Brown Filly, foaled March 6, 1914, by Palo King 2:28½, first dam **Ramona** (dam of **Del Rey 2:03¾**) by Demonio 2:11¼, sire of 7 in 2:10; second dam Carolla (dam of Ben F. 2:07¾, etc.) by Steinway, sire of the dams of 5 in 2:10; third dam Lady Winkler by Signal. Entered in the State Agricultural Society's Futurity Stake No. 6 and the Breeder's Futurity Stake No. 14.

Brown Colt, two-year-old, by Sirius Pointer 2:15 (son of Star Pointer 1:59¼ and the great brood mare Trix Marshall, dam of 7, by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½), first dam Ramona, as above. Bred to be a two-minute pacer.

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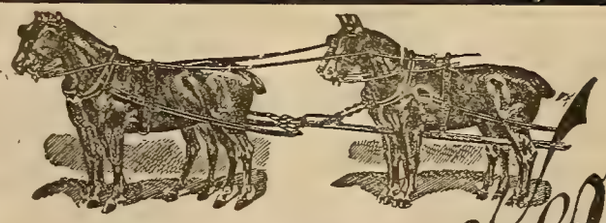
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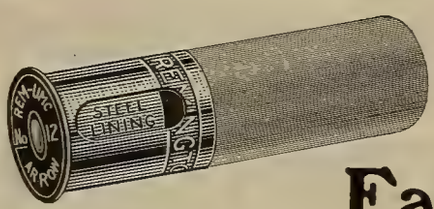
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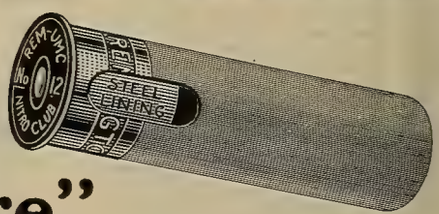
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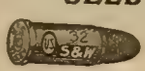
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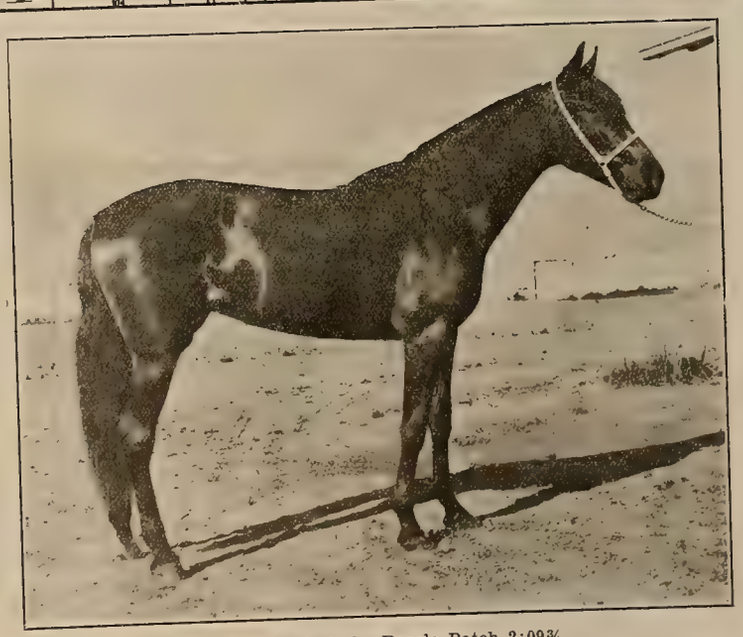






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DERBERTHA BELLS.....J. W. Pendleton, Oakland
EXPRESSIVE MAC 2:25½.....J. H. Nelson, Selma
JIM LOGAN 2:01¾.....J. Elmo Montgomery, Woodland
JOE PATCHEN II 2:03¼.....C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton
KINNEY DE LOPEZ 2:23.....Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet
MAHOMET WATTS 2:08¾.....C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton
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PETER McKLYO (3) 2:12½.....Jas. Thompson, San Jose
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ROBERT BINGEN 2:11¼.....Harry Dowling, Woodland
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VERNON McKINNEY 2:01½..C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton
WILBUR LOU (3) 2:10¼.....Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet
ZOMBLACK (2) 2:26.....C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton

The entry of Ateka at the June meeting is for the 2:20 trot for amateurs, instead of the professional event for the same class, as published.

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Parties in the market for saddle horses or polo pony material should correspond with R. W. Scott of Bishop, California, who has a number of both classes for sale.

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The official organ of a prominent eastern church described Billy Sunday, the evangelist, as a "profane, bad tempered, unjust, harsh, boorish, shifty, shrewd, ungentlemanly, defective Christian." Wow! — All these things and yet "a Christian"! Not around a race track, Genevieve!

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George Ramage, H. E. Armstrong and perhaps one or two other members of the Pleasanton colony plan to ship to the middle west sometime in the next few weeks and get ready for a campaign down the lines in that section, probably starting in on the Cedar Valley Circuit.

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A. L. Nichols of Chico recently suffered the misfortune of losing by death the brood mare Silver Benton by Senator Boggs (sire of Geo. Woodward 2:07½), dam Silvia by Tom Benton. She was in foal to Woodland Stock Farm's good son of Bingen 2:06¼, Robert Bingen 2:11¼, and had been named in the Breeders Futurity for foals of this year.

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G. Cuneo of Oakland, breeder of the good pacing mare Gracie Pointer 2:07¾ by Star Pointer 1:59¼, dam Pavaline by Charles Derby 2:20, grandam Clementine by Yosemite, has another prospect that he regards highly as a candidate for future honors, the two-year-old gelding Bon Boy by The Bondsman out of Pavaline. The Boy is staked in the Breeders Futurity.

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C. A. Harrison has recently sent to John B. Stetson at Salem the youngster Kinney Benton that has been at Woodland Stock Farm, and the yearling filly Maggie Ansel by Prince Ansel, out of Maggie Hall by Moko, grandam Maggie Yeaser by Red Wilkes, recently presented to him by Mr. Considine. They arrived all O. K. and the Salem colony is "taking to 'em" very kindly.

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W. J. Miller of Seattle has Charley "Missoura" Guion preparing the three-year-old pacer Maud Bond by The Bondsman, dam Nusta 2:23½ by Nushagak, grandam Anselois by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, for her 1915 futurity engagements. According to northwestern reports she has "looks, lick and lots of it" and has wintered in great shape. She was bred by Charles Marley of Woodland and sold to Mr. Miller by C. A. Harrison.

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J. B. Collett of Bishop, one of Inyo county's steadfast friends of the trotter, has recently purchased from Geo. H. Parker of San Bernardino the young standard and registered stallion Zowood, by Zolock 2:05¼ (exported last winter to Russia), dam Iona W. by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, famous both as a sire of speed and of dams of fast performers. Zowood's grandam is a daughter of McKinney 2:11¼ and his third dam is the famous old matron Gipsey, dam of Delilah 2:06½, Gazelle G. 2:11½, etc. Mr. Collett will establish him in the stud at Bishop and he will no doubt be an improving element among his kind, in that locality.

Bob Smith of Los Angeles went east some days ago for a business and social visit at his old home in Philadelphia, promising to "cut it short" and return as early as possible to the Pacific coast. There is too much speed on tap here for Robert to be satisfied to stay away very long, unless campaigning, and as it is, when he returns he will find any number of his favorites stepping miles a whole lot nearer the two-minute mark than when he left here.

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Fun drivers of Ventura and Santa Barbara began the season Easter Sunday with a matinee at Santa Barbara, and for tomorrow the scene of battle shifts to Ventura, quite a number of Santa Barbara horses and horsemen being due to make the trip down. While the first contests failed to produce any miles in 2:10¾, like the St. Patrick's day matinee at Riverside, there were four heats in the 2:20 notch, which is pretty fair traveling for fun horses at this season.

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Nominators to Stake No. 14 of the series of futurities sponsored by the P. C. T. H. B. A. are reminded that on May first there will be due on these nominations a ten dollar payment. This date also marks the limit of the time allowed for substitution, and parties finding themselves possessed of nice foals of 1914 without engagements may secure entries in this event up to that time through Secretary Kelley, who has a small number of substitutions available.

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Lucretia Bond, the two-year-old filly by The Bondsman—Lucretia 2:13¼ advertised for sale by T. D. Sexton of Oakland, is certainly bred to be a trotter, and is one of the nicest little ladies imaginable in many ways. In her first pair of shoes she trotted quarters in :45, and she is paid up in a number of coast futurities, but Mr. Sexton prefers something that he can matinee at once and offers to trade for a good fun horse, or sell at a figure that is about one-fifth of what her breeder, the late Colonel Kirkpatrick, would have asked for her.

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To the entries for the 2:08 and 2:09 trots at the fall meeting of the P.-P. I. E., add that of the bay gelding Newzell 2:05¼ by New Leaf, dam Hezeletta by Garnet Wilkes, owned by H. K. Devereux and entered by the Pastime Stable. This is the Pastime Stable's only entry, but a recent letter from W. J. Andrews, written from his winter quarters at Thomasville, Ga., states that the various gentlemen who constitute the "strategy board" of the organization will all be here in person. Newzell's win-race record is 2:07½ and he has one second's allowance.

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Carlschen (2) 2:23, by Carlokin 2:07½—Bonnie Ailsie 2:08½ (dam of Contention B. (3) 2:08¼, etc.), worked the Los Angeles track for Will Durfee this week in 2:17¾ with a half in 1:06, and Hermes, the Carlokin—Miss Quealy two-year-old, went the route in 2:27, working a pair of sizzling eighths the same day in :16¼ each. These lads are well staked in coast futurities and are fair samples of the kind that Will is offering for sale—Carlschen at $800 and Hermes at $1500. Nicola B. (2) 2:23¼, winner of the junior division of last year's Oregon futurity and eligible to six three-year-old stakes for this season, continues "coming" so favorably that the price has been raised to $2500. Somebody can save himself a good beating by buying these youngsters.

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M. H. Reardon of Indianapolis recently sold to A. L. Thomas the trotting stallion Lad McKinney 2:16¾, by McKinney 2:11¼ and out of Our Lady by Nearest. Our Lady was bred by T. W. Barstow at San Jose, passing eventually to Dr. P. O. O'Rear (who made the trip to California to inspect McKinney when his purchase by H. B. Gentry was pending) and then to Mr. Gentry, who bred the trotter just sold. The Lad is credited with trotting a two-lap track last season in 2:10, and another McKinney—Our Lady product, Dr. O'Rear, is credited as "making good" very emphatically in the Hoosier state. The latter fellow is owned by "Genial Jim" Morrison of Shelbyville, who usually manages to have a good one or so somewhere about the place.

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Fleeta Dillon (2) 2:08¾, the fast but erratic daughter of Sidney Dillon who set the pacing record for fillies of her age at Lexington in 1909, has been turned over by V. L. Shuler, her owner, to her former tutor Millard Sanders, in the hope that that gentleman may be able to take some of the kinks out of her system and induce her to get her mind on her business of pacing—fast, willingly and regularly. She is undobtedly one of the fastest of the Sidney Dillons, but she has some very pronounced characteristics that are not exactly suited to the making of a real good race mare—or even a compatible wife, to say nothing of them being absolutely unbearable in a mother-in-law! After setting a world's record as a pacer she was put to trotting and made considerable speed at that gait, but was turned back to pacing on the theory that as it was more natural for her she would fret and fume much less. She has a raft of speed, and if Millard gets her to a point where she will score and stay cool she will be formidable in any kind of company, no matter how fast. Se was bred by Sterling R. Holt at Maywood Stock Farm, and is out of Lady Hilda Hills (dam of Seymour Dillon 2:20) by Wilkes Boy 2:24½, grandam Bonnie Belle (dam of five trotters) by Almont 33. She is entered in a number of class races at the exposition meetings, and may be named in the big pace June first, provided Millard "gets on the right side of her."

Moody Liggett shipped north from Hanford this week to race over the early circuit in western Canada, taking with him R. L. Friend's good pacing mare Soumise 2:10¾ by Billy Dunlap, and the green pacers Molly by Knox (entered at the P.-P. I. E. fall meeting) and Mandy S., the latter lass owned by Jolly Snider. Philip C. Byrne inherited Moody's homeguards, and that veteran trainer now has Joe Senter's trotting stallion; White Stockings, a youthful pacer the property of the owner of Molly, and George Senter's two-year-old pacer Sidney Borden by Guy Borden 2:07¼, staked in this year's futurities. They say this lad is a whole lot like his sire, and if that is the case he will be some horse, as Guy Borden looked like a regular champ.

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D. E. Hoffman's statement that Tom Smith 2:13¼ is still good enough to give some of the fun horses a race for first place, calls to mind the fact that his sister Vallejo Girl 2:10¼ will be raced in the northwest this year by Sheriff Donald McRae, her present owner, of Snohomish county, Washington. The Girl was a mighty consistent performer when she was five or six years old and went some nice races for Patsey Davey, taking her record Aug. 22, 1908, at Chico, where she beat Nogi in a closely contested event, trotting 2-1-1-1 in 2:16, 2:10¼, 2:10¼ and 2:11¾. As she has done no racing to entitle her to a time allowance she will have to start as a 2:11 trotter on the big rings, though the four second rule puts her in the 2:15 trots on the twice-arounds.

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Charley DeRyder was in the city from Pleasanton early in the week and reports that all the regulars at the MacKenzie plant are working in good shape. Recent workouts of some of the horses in the DeRyder and Webster stables are California B., trotter by Athasham, 2:17, last half in 1:05; San Felipe, 2:14, last quarter in :30; Mahomet Watts, 2:14, with the halves in 1:11 and 1:03; Sis Bodaker, trotter by Bodaker, 2:13½, last half in 1:05½; Madam Mac, 2:13, with the final quarter in :30; Maymack, 2:13, with the last half in 1:02, and the free-for-all pacers, Joe Patchen and Vernon McKinney, miles in 2:11, Joe stepping his last half in 1:01 and Vernon his final half in 1:03, with the quarter at a flat two-minute gait. Asa Pointer, the green pacer in Will DeRyder's string, is also "coming along," with a recent mile in 2:17, quarter in :30.

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Millard Sanders has been adding a bit of variety to the ordinary program at Pleasanton lately with the chestnut pacer Barney Oldfield, alias Jimmy Ray. "Jimmy" had a raft of speed and ambition, just a "leetle" too much for genuine comfort, and after being worked on unsuccessfully for some weeks to harness was rechristened Barney Oldfield and tried out as a "guideless wonder." He took to it like a duck to water and now nothing suits him better than to go it alone for a half or a mile, having negotiated the full route in 2:15. He does it on his own accord, without prompting of any kind, and stays right on the pole from wire to wire. He has the making of a very fast horse at this way of going, and possibly may work himself out of some of the habits that made him look like a practically hopeless case to harness.

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"Uncle Bob" Ellison, less widely but more formally known among horsemen throughout the land as Robert E., returned last week to his home in Lima, Ohio, after having spent the winter very pleasantly in California. For the last several weeks he had been at Pleasanton, where he threw in with Charley DeRyder on working the Mackenzie horses, being too thoroughly a horseman to enjoy complete idleness when he could ride daily behind well behaved trotters and pacers. Uncle Bob at one time or another during his stay was up behind almost all the MacKenzie "stand bys" for fast quarters and halves as well as a number of miles on the short side of twenty, his especial favorite being Vernon McKinney, whom he pronounces to be one of the best mannered horses he ever rode behind, as well as about the fastest, as the bay son of Guy McKinney can shade a two-minute clip at any part of the route. Mr. Ellison will be missed at Pleasanton, and we hope to have him back with us again before long.

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A recent letter from James M. Hazelton of Frankfort, Ind., who has in service the good son of Bingen 2:06¼, Border Knight 2:12¼, and the former California trotter and speed sire, Bon Voyage 2:08, states that the general outlook for the trotting industry in the central west is most excellent, and that mares from six states have been bred or are booked to his stallions for this season. Jim is very much elated over the sale of the filly Rose Knight at the Midwinter auction at Madison Square Garden, as the price paid for her by George Leavitt of Boston, $3,000, was one of the season's high water marks, and makes the Border Knight youngsters look like ready money to progressive breeders. Bon Voyage 2:08, never properly appreciated in California, has been a deservedly popular horse in Hazelton's management and is getting the patronage of some exceedingly choice mares. There are a number of his descendants here on the coast whose performances are increasing the local respect for him considerably, chief among them being the trotters Bon Cres (3) 2:10¼ and Harold C. 2:11¾, both in the stable of Sutherland & Chadbourne, both entered at the exposition trots, and both apparently quite a bit better than 2:10 trotters. Homer Rutherford's three-year-old trotter Geo. N. Patterson, by a son of Bon Voyage, is another good one for the family, as he is one of the most highly regarded youngsters at Pleasanton.

The Field for the 2:08 Trot

With the 2:08 purse failing to fill and re-opened to close June first for a purse of $2,500, the 2:08 trot, $5,000, becomes the feature race of the opening day of the Exposition trots on Saturday, June 5, in the point of money hung up. From the great array of trotters that are entered for the event it should also prove one of the most interesting races of the program, for never before has such a field of trotters faced a starter on the Pacific coast. As the main interest of horsemen in the west for the next sixty days will be "doping 'em out" for the exposition trots, we will from time to time present a little review of the fields of certain of the major events, starting the ball rolling with the race just mentioned, the 2:08 trot. Here they are, alphabetically, there being a possible field of eleven starters:

ALBALOMA 2:08¼: Bay gelding, foaled 1909, bred by L. H. Todhunter, Sacramento; entered by I. L. Borden; driven by John Quinn; son of Almaden D. 2:16¼ (sire of Dean Swift 2:08) and Loma B. by Stam B. 2:11¼, grandam Italia (dam of two trotters) by Sidney 2:19¾. Three-year-old record 2:11¼, four-year-old 2:09, five-year-old 2:08¼. Present record made Sept. 2, 1914, at Santa Rosa, when he defeated Rags, Vallejo King and Redeem in 2:08¼, 2:08¾ and 2:09. Started eight times in 1914, was five times first, once second, once third. His fastest performance was in the 2:07 trot at Phoenix, Nov. 13, when he trotted 2-2-4 to Maymack in 2:04½, 2:05¼, 2:05. In training at San Jose.

ALBERTA DILLON 2:10: Chestnut mare, foaled 1906, bred by Volney French, Montpelier, Ind.; entered by E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg; driven by W. W. Fleming; daughter of Sidney Dillon (sire of Lou Dillon 1:58½ and eleven others in 2:10) and Miss Lamartine (dam of two trotters) by Lamartine 2:27½, grandam Turkana by Mambrino Turk. Raced largely over half-mile tracks in the northwest, her best season being in 1913, her record being made that season at Salem, October 2, in the third heat of a winning five heat race, the fastest she has ever been in. In training at Pleasanton.

ELECTRIC PATCH (3) 2:09¼: Black horse, foaled 1911, bred by International 1:55 Horse Farm, M. W. Savage, Prop., Savage, Minn.; entered by International 1:55 Horse Farm; driven by Railey Macey; son of Dan Patch 1:55¼ (sire of seventeen pacers and one trotter in 2:10) and Zella Directum 2:27¼ (dam of one trotter, one pacer) by Directum 2:05¼, grandam Crescent 2:24¼ (dam of three trotters, including Gulvallis Directum 2:09¾) by Robert McGregor 2:17½. Time record of 2:29¼ as a two-year-old and 2:12 as a three-year-old. Started eight times in 1914, winning each start and never losing a heat. Has beaten 2:10 twice. Took record at Sedalia, Mo., Sept. 30, 1914, trotting his fastest race at that time, 2:09¼, 2:11. Trotted three heats at Springfield, Ill., in 2:09¾, 2:11¼, 2:11¾. In training at Pleasanton.

ESPERANZA (3) 2:09: Bay mare, foaled 1911, bred by Wm. G. Durfee, Los Angeles; owned by Clarence J. Berry, San Francisco; entered and trained by Wm. G. Durfee; daughter of Carlokin 2:07½ (his first 2:10 performer) and My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ (dam of three trotters, one pacer) by Petigru 2:10½, grandam Johanna Treat 2:24¾ (dam of three trotters, one pacer, including Zulu Belle 2:06¼ and Del Coronedo 2:09½) by Thomas Rysdyk 10649. As two-year-old won junior divisions of State Fair and Oregon Futurities, and second money in Breeders Futurity and Clark-Canfield Stake, taking record of 2:14¼. Started in six races in 1914, winning each race, including every coast classic for three-year-old trotters. Has breeders record of 2:09 made against time on July 15 at Los Angeles, and a win-race record of 2:10¼ made in the second heat of the Stanford Stake, Sept. 19, Sacramento. Her fastest race was on Nov. 11 at Phoenix, when she was 2-2-1 in 2:10¼, 2:10½ and 2:11¼, topping the summary. In training at Los Angeles.

KID CUPID 2:08¾: Chestnut gelding, foaled 1906, bred by A. B. Spreckels, San Francisco; entered and trained by Loren B. Daniels, Sacramento; son of Cupid 2:18 and Zarina 2:13¼ by Dexter Prince 11363, grandam Miss Valensin (dam of two trotters, one pacer) by Valensin 2:23. Started in three races in 1912, once first, once second, once third, record 2:20¼ at Hemet; in 1913 was raced in central west by Keefer & Spencer, starting ten times, being three times first, twice second, once third, once fourth, getting record of 2:08¾ (losing performance) on Aug. 15 at Peoria, and win-race record of 2:10¼ on Oct. 3 at Decatur, this being really his best performance, second in 2:11½ and then winner in 2:12¾, 2:10½, 2:10¼. Last year raced on half-mile tracks largely, in stable of Loren B. Daniels, making sixteen starts, winning once, five times second, three times third. Is fast horse if Daniels can steady him. In training at Woodland.

MAHOMET WATTS 2:08¼: Bay horse, foaled 1909, bred by General C. C. Watts, Charleston, W. Va.; entered by R. J. MacKenzie, trained by Chas. L. DeRyder; son of Gen. Watts (3) 2:06¾ (sire of three trotters in 2:10) and Alla P. 2:21¼ (dam of four trotters) by Palo Alto 2:08¾, grandam Lula Wilkes (dam of five trotters) by George Wilkes 2:22. As a two-year-old, driven by Zach Chandler, won the junior division of the Horseman Futurity on Aug. 5, 1913, at Detroit, getting a record of 2:17½, and on Oct. 4 at Lexington was second in like division of the Kentucky Futurity in 2:14¾, 2:12½. As a three-year-old, still in Chandler's hands, was given time record of 2:10 on Aug. 14 at Lexington, was fourth in the Horseman Futurity at Detroit and behind the money in the Horse Review Futurity at Columbus. Was not raced at a four-year-old. Last year made two starts in the hands of W. L. Snow, winning the 2:18 trot on July 23 at Cleveland in 2:08¼, 2:09¾ and 2:11¾, finishing just behind the money in the M. & M. at Detroit. He was placed 4-4-4-2 in 2:06¼, 2:05½, 2:07½ and 2:09¼, being separately timed one heat in 2:05¼. In training at Pleasanton.

PASS ALL 2:12¼: Black horse, foaled 1907, bred by William Hardy, Birmingham, Ala.; entered and trained by E. A. Colburn, Denver, Colo.; son of Crystallion 2:08¾ and Miss Julia Deane by Guardsman 19355, grandam Nelly Riley (dam of four pacers) by Harkaway 2:28¼. Time record of 2:27½ at Lexington as a two-year-old. As a three-year-old made six starts in central west, being three times first, once second, and obtaining a record of 2:22½. As a four-year-old made eight starts, obtaining record of 2:17¼ and being but once unplaced, usually first or second. Was not raced as five-year-old. Four starts in 1913, record of 2:13¼, twice first, once third. Started but once in 1914, winning 2:12 trot at Denver on June 13, when he took his present record. Trained at Denver this winter, not yet brought to the coast.

PETER McCORMICK 2:08¾: Brown horse, foaled 1908, bred by H. K. Green, Mt. Sterling, Ky.; entered and driven by V. L. Shuler, Indianapolis, Ind.; son of Peter the Great 2:07¼ (sire of twenty-seven trotters and three pacers in 2:10) and Pearl Cecil by Cecil W. 2:28½, grandam Lilly Greene by Almont Archie 737. Was started twice as a three-year-old at Mt. Sterling and was once fourth, once second. In 1912 was taken to Indiana by Charley Bean and was purchased by V. L. Shuler after his race at Indianapolis. Made four starts on Grand Circuit, twice behind the money at Columbus, once behind at Lexington and once winner at Lexington, in the 2:14 trot where he obtained record of 2:11¾. Made fifteen starts that season, being eight times first and four times second. Made seven starts on Grand Circuit in 1913, winning at Pittsburg in 2:08¾, 2:10¼, 2:10½; second at Ft. Erie, winning third heat in 2:09½; third in Buckeye Stake at Columbus; fourth at Cleveland, second, third heat in 2:07¼; behind the money in Capital City Stake at Columbus and in the Walnut Hall Cup and Transylvania at Lexington, trotting third in the third and fourth heats of the latter event in 2:04¾ and 2:06¾. In 1914 was once behind money and once third at Detroit; fourth at Columbus to Etawah, Omar and Newzell in Capital City Stake, second the second heat in 2:05¼. Met with slight injury in this race and at Lexington was behind the money in two starts. Has had more racing experience in fast company than any other horse in this field, and will probably be favorite if he comes to the races "race sound." In training at Pleasanton.

RAGS 2:09¼: Brown gelding, foaled 1910, bred by Wm. G. Durfee, Los Angeles; entered and driven by Wm. G. Durfee; son of Del Coronado 2:09½ (sire of two trotters and four pacers in 2:10) and Atherine 2:16¾ (dam of two trotters and one pacer, including Copa de Oro 2:01) by Patron 2:14¼, grandam Athene (dam of two trotters) by Harold 410. Record of 2:12½ as a three-year-old, when he won the Breeders' and Oregon Futurities and the Stanford and Occident stakes. Made four starts as a four-year-old, second to Albaloma at Santa Rosa in 2:08¼ and 2:08¾, then third in 2:09; winner at Woodland in 2:12¼, 2:09¼, 2:11½; winner of Governor's Stake at Sacramento and second to Dean Swift in the mud at Salem. In training at Los Angeles.

DUCHESS 2:07¼: Roan mare, concerning whose breeding "authorities differ." Year Book claims pedigree untraced; Mr. McDonald gives her as "by Allerteen, son of Allerton"; Review Racing Guide gives her "foaled 1907, by Carl Scott 33260, dam Cecilian Kate (dam of Captain Welch 2:13¼) by Cecilian Prince 2:30, grandam Kate Thomas 2:24½ by G. See 3437; bred by Samuel De Bore, Napanee, Ind." The writer is inclined to think her either by Allerteen or Charley Hayt 2:06¼. She gained a record of 2:16¼ in 1912, when she made a campaign of nineteen starts, of which she won twelve, was five times second, once fourth and but once unplaced—her first start. Not raced in 1913. In 1914 won at Cleveland for Mr. McDonald, 4-1-1-1, in 2:12, 2:09¼, 2:08¾ and 2:09; fourth at Detroit, third at Grand Rapids; second at Springfield with Levi Turner driving, winning third and fastest heat of race in 2:08¼; at Dallas, with Lon McDonald again behind her, she was third to Margaret Druien and King Clansman in the 2:14 trot and second to Judson Girl in the 2:09 trot; at Phoenix was fourth in 2:16 trot and won 2:12 trot in 2:08½, 2:07¼ and 2:08, that being her best performance. In training at Los Angeles.

VALLEJO KING 2:10½: Black horse, foaled 1906, bred by Thomas Smith, Vallejo; entered by Thomas Smith; trained by Sutherland & Chadbourne; son of Gen. John B. Frisbie 41637 and Reinette by Dexter Prince 11362, grandam Clara B. by Nutwood 2:18¾. Record of 2:12¾ in 1913 in losing performance—once third, once fourth, once behind money, second to Maymack, one heat in 2:10¼. In 1914 was behind money at Salinas; at Santa Rosa was 3-3-2 in 2:08¼, 2:08¾, 2:09, and finished same way later in week in 2:10¼, 2:12, 2:10¼; at Woodland was 1-1-2 in 2:11¼, 2:10½, 2:10½, and at Sacramento was fourth in the summary. In training at Pleasanton.

VIRGINIA BARNETTE (3) 2:08¼: Bay mare, foaled 1911, bred by Capt. E. T. Barnette, Los Angeles; owned by Clarence J. Berry, San Francisco; entered and trained by Wm. G. Durfee; daughter of Moko 24457 (sire of nine trotters and two pacers in 2:10) and Zephyr 2:07½ (dam of two trotters) by Zombro 2:11, grandam Gazelle G. 2:11½ (dam of four trotters and one pacer, including Zolock 2:05¼) by Gossiper 2:14¾. Was given time record of 2:10 July 15, 1914, at Los Angeles, and on November 14 at Phoenix started in the free-for-all trot, her first and only race, beating Star Winter the first heat in 2:08¼ and finishing second the other two heats in 2:09½, 2:09¼. In training at Los Angeles.

WILBUR LOU (3) 2:10¼: Chestnut horse, foaled 1909, bred by Martin Carter, Irvington, Cal., foaled the property of W. F. Whittier, San Francisco; entered by Hemet Stock Farm; trained by Budd Doble; son of Kinney Lou 2:07¾ and Louise Carter (3) 2:24 (dam of three trotters) by Chestnut Tom 2:17¼, grandam Ingar (dam of five trotters, one pacer, including John A. McKerron 2:04½) by Director 2:17. Champion yearling trotting stallion 1910, record 2:19½ at Phoenix; winner of Breeders' and State Fair Futurities as a two-year-old; as three-year-old won State Fair and Breeders' Futurities and second money in Stanford Stakes. Not raced in 1913 and 1914. In training at San Jose.

SWINE BREEDERS MEET AT P.-P. I. E.

The annual meeting of the California Swine Breeders' Association, whose slogan "More and better hogs" is making the association a great factor in the advancement of the industry in the state, will be held on next Friday, April 23, in the Hall of Congresses in the Livestock Department at the grounds of the P.-P. I. E. The session will commence at nine o'clock in the morning and an interesting and instructive program has been arranged, including a talk on "Auction Sales and the Hog Business" by H. L. Thatcher, and an up-to-the-minute address on "Hog Cholera and Its Control" by Dr. Bert J. Cady of the United States Department of Agriculture.

The officers of the association are A. M. Henry, President, Farmington; J. K. Fraser, Vice-President, Denair, and J. I. Thompson, Secretary and Treasurer, Davis.

PROGRAM ANNOUNCED FOR EMPIRE CITY PARK.

The National Fair and Exposition Association, who have a ten years lease on Empire City Park and who operate the Greater New York Fair, have announced their early closing purses for the Grand Circuit meeting which will be held August 30 to September 4, 1915.

These early closing purses embrace six races for a total of $15,000, the entries to which will close on Monday, April 25. The Empire City Track is the sixth member in the Grand Circuit line, and follows the big meeting at Montreal and precedes the Charter Oak Park meeting at Hartford.

The races announced include "The Greater New York" purse for 2:08 trotters for $5,000; "The Manhattan" for 2:13 trotters; "The Knickerbocker" for 2:05 trotters; "The Broadway" for 2:08 pacers; "The Star Pointer" for 2:03 pacers, and the "Great Eastern Handicap" for trotters with records ranging from 2:01 to 2:25. All of these purses are of a uniform guaranteed value of $3,000 each, and the conditions are set forth in full on a business page of this paper.

This program compares favorably with that of any other point in the Grand Circuit, and the National Fair people intend to make the New York meeting one of the very greatest in the big line.

Several match races are now being negotiated for, among them a race between Directum I 1:58, the champion race horse pacer, and William 2:00, his greatest rival. Another race now in negotiation will be the bringing together of Peter Volo 2:03½, the champion two- and three-year-old trotting stallion, and Etawah 2:03½, the champion racing stallion. These races will attract a great deal of attention, and the one between Peter Volo and Etawah will be of especial interest as those two horses are now four and five years old respectively, and there is a great difference of opinion as to which is the greatest.

The management is also negotiating to secure the Horseman Futurity which is the largest guaranteed stake in the world for trotters, being worth $20,000, and embraces three races—the three-year-old trot, the three-year-old pace and the two-year-old trot, with entry list containing all the great young horses in the United States, and which are owned by the most prominent and influential men who follow the trotting horse sport.

Negotiations are also pending to secure the Matron Stake, as well as the Champion Stallion Stake. In fact, no stones will be left unturned to make the New York Grand Circuit meeting at Empire City Park one of the most attractive and highest class meetings in the Grand Circuit. A full program of late closing purses, each of the value of $1,000, will be announced later.

THE CASE OF THE BELGIAN HORSE.

My home is at Vladsloo, Belgium, three miles east of Dixmude and the Yser river. This river is the line on either side of which the battle has been raging in West Flanders ever since October 15, and from that date until recently I have been almost every other day on the battlefield along that river on the side of the Allies. It was on Oct. 10 that a large number of Belgian soldiers, horses and cannons came into that district, and after a few days reports were spread that Antwerp had fallen. We had not been informed of the Germans' being on their way toward West Flanders; neither did anybody in our country know of their plan to make their way to Calais. The railroad was used for military purposes only; no mail was carried or distributed; all telephones were stopped; no newspapers came; all kinds of rumors were spread.

Before the invasion of West Flanders we heard of the destruction of such valuable horses as Indigene du Fosteau, but reports were so conflicting that we did not know on which to rely. At that time we did not have as many horses as usual; our two fine driving horses had been requisitioned by the Belgian government when the war broke out, and paid for at near their value shortly afterward, leaving us 33 valuable stallions, of all ages, and some good mares. We sold 19 of the older horses, fearing that they would be stolen by the invaders, leaving the rest and 38 cattle.

On the west or German side of the river we have seen a few good teams of brood mares crossing into France, and I hope some more crossed on other bridges of that river; they were mostly prize-winning mares of great value. The greatest number of stallions and mares saved are in Holland, but I cannot give any approximate number. From the northern part of West Flanders, north of Bruges, I hope some horses were taken into Holland, as it is close by. I met some young men three miles north of Bruges who had left their homes on Oct. 14, leaving behind their good mares and everything on the farm. They said that the valuable brown bay stallion Laboureur, second at Brussels in 1914, had not yet moved on Oct. 13. The reason that so little has been saved west of the Yser is that the invaders came on from Ghent directly to Ostend and Dixmude, and as the Allies had placed themselves on the east side of the river the invaders formed a line on the west side. If there had been a battle where they fought trench by trench and village by village, then every farmer and breeder would have had a chance to save his valuable stock.

On Oct. 15 at 2 p. m. we learned that the invaders were ten miles east of Dixmude, and on the same day at 8 o'clock they came in contact with the Allies two miles east of Dixmude. I never saw more distress than I saw that afternoon; women with children on their arms and tears in their eyes were coming back and forth on the streets, not knowing what to do—whether to leave or to stay, or where to go. The poor laboring man whose wages were about 25 cents a day of course could not have much money, having to support a family. All he had was some common furniture, one or two goats and from a dozen to two dozen rabbits. He could take nothing with him. Farmers and breeders had sold scarcely anything since the war broke out, and if they left their homes they left all that they had, as there was no time to save anything. On Sunday, Oct. 18, we saw both big churches at Beerst and Keyem afire, and on that dark evening it made an immense blaze. On Oct. 20 at 11 a. m. the famous big church of Dixmude was shot afire, and as the wind came from the west several blocks of big houses east of the church, including the town hall, were burned.

We had a farm at Creken, 1½ miles east of Dixmude and the Yser river, having there always from 200 to 300 soldiers. When they came in from the battles that raged, usually in the morning and from dusk in the evening, we heard stories of manslaughter. On or about Oct. 23 the shells were falling a half-mile from our farm, and the Allies placed a battery of six cannons somewhat behind our farm. It was then time for us to leave the farm, for two days later the greater part of the house was blown to pieces by the shells, and within a week the barns were burned up, including all the feed. It was about the last days of October that in some parts along the Yser river the Allies feared the enemy's advance. One night 300 invading soldiers had order to jump into the river, which is at least 20 yards wide; 233 were shot before they reached the other side. The others were soon captured. Then bridges were laid under the water about 3 feet deep, and again they tried wading through, but without success.

The first week of November I received a special authorization from a Belgian officer to look on the battlefield for two cows that had gone astray from our farm, and, accompanied by a Belgian soldier, I was allowed to go as far as the river. It was a quiet, clear day. I heard no shooting except a few stray bullets whistling close to our ears. It was a terrible sight to look at both sides of the river; every building on either side for two or three miles was shot to pieces or burned. On the west side of the river the Allies had opened the dykes on the border of the river and inundated the other side. Every low pasture was under water, and the ditches, which are the only fences there, were largely swollen. But the shocking sight was that of fine horses and cattle lying dead. They were the pride of the country and the wealth of our breeders. Among them were a number of soldiers lying dead in the pastures or drowning in the water.

I was once at a distance of a half-mile when shrapnell repeatedly fell and burst above a large number of cattle and horses. Many of them were hit; the injuries received and the cracking noise of the explosions caused the wounded and scared animals to run as if wild, with their heads and tails up in the air. The noise of the shells whistling through the air can be heard at a distance of five miles.

A brother of mine lives at Furnes; we moved 25 stallions, including one of his, into France. They are now close to Calais. All are working on the farms, as the farmers are rather short of horses. I saw on the road near Furnes 100 horses going towards France; many of them were mares. South of Furnes towards Ypres many other roads lead into France, and over these there probably passed a number of horses. Taking into account the number of towns not occupied by the invaders, my estimate is that there are about 2,000 brood mares (all Belgians, as we have no other breed), not counting some coming two-year-old fillies and the weanling fillies, left in Belgium.

I learned recently from my brothers at Furnes, Belgium, and Calais, that they have met people from Eerneghem, 9 miles south of Ostend, who say the invaders constantly claim more horses, cattle and wheat. On Nov. 11 I went to Le Havre, where the Belgian Government was, and explained that our horses had been moved into France, and that our farms and feed had been burned. I had a special permission to deliver the stallions we had sold in July to Brown & Ayres, Hillsboro, O., and although they had bought a few mares from us not one was allowed to be shipped out.

The Belgians look forward to the day when our country will be freed from the enemy. When that day comes we shall try to reestablish our famous breed of horses. The refuges who left their homes are largely young men. They feared that Germany would enlist them in its army, and make them fight against the Russians. All of them know that the United States is endeavoring to feed their mothers, fathers, brothers and sisters who remained at home. But for such generosity many of them would starve. The Belgians never will forget what the United States has done for them. The situation of the Belgians is even more critical than has been reported. Although having here news from both sides people cannot realize what war is until they have been on the battlefield and seen what soldiers and refugees suffer. They would then appreciate the difference on coming to a country where there is peace and plenty.—E. H. Joye, in the Breeders Gazette.

DICK WILSON ARRIVES AT INDIANAPOLIS.

The string of trotters and pacers to be trained by the Rushville trainer, Dick Wilson, arrived at the Indianapolis track last week. There are thirteen in all and unless the "hoodoo man" follows the string, Richard will have some good bread winners next summer. The trotting mare, Henrietta 2:14¼, by Heliograph 2:12¼, is one of the crew that should make good. Last year this mare won several races over the half-mile tracks and trotted to her mark in the fourth heat of a winning race at Terre Haute. She has been halves in 1:05 and quarters in 31 seconds over the two lap courses and should be far better than a 2:10 trotter this year. Star Tramp (3) 2:18¼, the son of The Tramp, that a company of Rushville horsemen bought at the Cambridge City sale, is slated for a fast record. He worked several miles around 2:10 for Harrie Jones last year but was taken sick and did not get to the races. He is in fine form this spring and with good luck will be a hard trotter to beat. White Ball 2:12¼, and Black Ball 2:12¼, the two Portland, Ind., pacers, are thought to be good enough to get the money. The latter showed up exceptionally well in the few races that he went last summer and ought to improve enough to make him a valuable racing tool. Others in the stable are: Zulu Maid 2:16¼; Hazel Princeton 2:25; Sue Dillon, a green trotting mare by Sidney Dillon, that is thought to be high class; a green pacer, called Progress Regulator; a green pacer by Sidney Dillon; George Edwards, a green pacer by Fred Wilkes that was timed in 2:13¼ in a race last season; a green trotter by Sidney Dillon; a green pacer by Charley Hayt 2:06¼, and The Jester, a green trotter by The Exponent 2:11¾.

Wilson reports that the two Peter the Great stallions, Peter Pearl (4) 2:09¼, and Peter the Gay (2) 2:10¾, are doing a good business in the stud at Rushville. Both will be trained and raced late this season and Dick is of the opinion that he will be able to pull down some of the money with the pair. They are both classy acting trotters and, of course, both have shown that they possessed the real Peter the Great speed, as their records will prove.—Western Horseman.

Old Folks, Will Durfee's good young Del Coronado-Iran Belle trotter, waited until he had been entered at the P.-P. I. E. meeting and then was taken severely ill, making an awful effort to cash in. William and the vets pulled him through the crisis and he is apparently "coming alive" all right, but it came very nearly being a "dead heat." F. S. Whitney has also had a bit of constitutional trouble but is improving rapidly and will probably be ready to race when the season opens. Old Folks trialed on the trot as a four-year-old in 2:11 and was making considerable speed when taken sick.

Derbertha Bells

Some time ago, after a hurried inspection of a published roster of some hundreds of stallions standing for service in the United States and Canada, Joe Markey of the Horse Review put himself on record as follows: "There were stallions that I was not familiar with and knew nothing about aside from their records or registered standard numbers. It was really surprising to me to learn the high class pedigrees they carried, and I was struck by the fact that ten years or so ago such breeding could be found only on the best farms or in the great horse centers. There are hundreds of young horses that carry the blood of the great sires, of prominent colt trotters and of dams that are producers, and bred in the heighth of fashion. Breeders will make no mistake in patronizing them, and, as a matter of fact, it is these same young horses from which we may expect future progenitors of the type of Baron Wilkes 2:18, Allerton 2:09¼, Moko, Peter the Great 2:07¾, Axtell 2:12, Axworthy 2:15½, Walnut Hall 2:08¼, Bingen 2:06¼, etc. And when those breeders who are fortunate enough to secure a sire of such merit as those named, they will be richly rewarded for many years of breeding efforts. The tendency to breed only to the most noted sires constitutes a handicap. Give the young horses a chance, and by so doing save large stud fees and much other contingent expense."

These are sentiments that will meet with the heartiest approval of many breeders and stallion owners, for if only aged, proven sires are to be patronized there is small incentive to spend time and money in endeavoring to improve the already existing breed. No great sire of today is so well bred but that the potency of the speed inheritance of some of his sons surpasses that of himself, and it is to these younger sons that we naturally must look for greater prowess in the future. Every state in the union has large numbers of these youthful aristocrats, and California is no exception to the rule. There are any number of exceptionally high class, well bred youngsters whose services are available to brood mare owners. As an exemplification of Mr. Markey's description "young horses that carry the blood of the great sires, of prominent colt trotters, and of dams that are producers, bred in the heighth of fashion," take the stallion Derbertha Bells, owned by J. W. Pendleton of 1601 Seminary avenue, Oakland.

Here is an untried colt, four years of age, the product of the mingling of some of the greatest speed producing lines known to the world of the trotter—an intensification of proven potent blood that only a few years ago would have been an impossibility. He is himself by a young horse, from a young mare, but the strength of his breeding is not to be denied, and only by patronage can its worth be given due opportunity of demonstration. His sire, Derbertha Derby, is very closely bred to Charles Derby 2:20, whose get include ten with records from 2:01¾ to 2:09¼, both the sire and dam of Derbertha Derby being by the famous son of Steinway (3) 2:25¾ and Katie G. by Electioneer. Through both crosses, the Strathmore blood is stoutly reinforced by further direct traces to Hamiltonian 10 through the great brood mares Bertha, most wonderful in many ways of western matrons, and Ada F. by Antevolo 2:19½. Of the "ninety and nine" of Alcantara's daughters that have produced standard speed, Bertha stands pre-eminent, the dam of thirteen with records well within the limit, five of them below 2:10. Stellwell, sire of Derbertha Derby, is himself a sire of speed, and is a full brother to the great sextette, Don Derby 2:04½, Derbertha 2:07½, Diablo 2:09¼, Demonio 2:11¼, Ed Lafferty 2:16½ and Arner 2:17¾.

Through Beautiful Bertha, his dam, Derbertha Bells inherits new infusions of the blood of Electioneer and George Wilkes, well balanced by crosses to other most excellent sires. She is a daughter of Moormont and Abbie McNutward, both scions of royal houses when it comes to a matter of potency proven. Moormont is a speed siring son of Azmoor 2:20½, sire of Moortrix 2:07½, Betonica 2:09¼ and the dams of Nutmoor 2:05¼, Happy Dentist 2:05¾, Rowellan 2:09¾, etc., and through his dam, the triple producer Rosemont, he bears the envied cross to that queen of Palo Alto, Beautiful Bells. Through Abbie McNutward comes the blood of McKinney through Guy McKinney, sire of Vernon McKinney 2:01½, the fastest member of the entire line, Guy McKinney also providing an outlet to Guy Wilkes, another of the very great sons of George Wilkes. Lady Irene 2:14½ is a daughter of Diablo 2:09¼, and her dam, Geraldine 2:16½ by Mt. Vernon 2:15¼, produced that other whirlwind pacer of today, Leata J. 2:03.

With blood lines such as this available at a moderate price, Mr. Markey's advice to "give the youngsters a chance" seems to be well founded and aptly applicable to the California situation. Derbertha Bells is but four years old, but Mr. Pendleton has yearlings to show, and invites every investigation of both the stallion and his get.

Zombro Belle by Zombro, dam Belle Raymon (dam of Don Reginaldo 2:12¼) by Raymon has foaled a nice horse colt at Pleasanton, the youngster being by the great MacKenzie pacer Joe Patchen II 2:03¼.

DR. FARNUM DIES SUDDENLY.

Dr. C. E. Farnum, one of San Francisco's best known physicians and surgeons and a lifelong friend of the horse, died early Monday morning at St. Mary's Hospital in this city after an illness of a very few days with pneumonia. Only a very short time ago the Doctor was about his many affairs as usual, apparently in the very best of health and spirits, but broke rapidly under the attacks of the disease and for the last two or three days of his illness realized and stated to friends that his was a hopeless case.

Dr. Farnum was sixty years of age, a native Californian who had spent his entire life within hailing distance of the Golden Gate. He was educated in the public schools of this city, after which he determined upon the pursuit of the medical profession and entered Cooper Medical College, finishing his course with distinction and becoming Dr. Lane's right hand man in the conduct of that institution. He had, also, a very wide practice and attained first rank in his profession, his range of clients embracing all classes, the great and the lowly alike. Many of the city's less fortunate beings owe health and life to the freely tendered skill of Dr. Farnum, with no bills rendered.

From boyhood the Doctor had nurtured a deep and abiding affection for the horse, being sufficiently broad minded to see the merits of both trotter and thoroughbred, and for a period of over thirty years bred both at his Sacramento Valley Stock Farm, an efficiently appointed establishment of some four hundred acres between Marysville and Chico. His thoroughbreds were perhaps the most successful of his products, as he bred and raced a number of good runners in the days of the California tracks' activities. He looked forward eagerly to a revival of racing locally and was active in any movements in behalf of that object. He had given much thought to ways and means of re-establishing racing on a firm basis, and had drawn, and aided others to draw, a number of model bills whose purpose was the consummation of that much desired result. He was a profound thinker and intensely interested in the successful and scientific production of crops, both "on the hoof" and by soil tillage, being one of the first men to make a success, at least on this coast, of artificial impregnation, and known also as the author of a number of valuable articles and treatises on modern agriculture. He was a patron of the light harness futurities, and had nominations in this year's events at the P.-P. I. E.

Dr. Farnum was one of the most likeable and easily approachable of men, with a great capacity for work of his kind. He had resided for some time at 501 Devisadero street and is survived by his wife and one daughter, Miss Adaline R. Farnum. The funeral services were conducted Thursday afternoon from the chapel of Halsted Brothers, and were widely attended by numbers of both rich and poor who had been proud to call him "friend."

CALIFORNIA DRIVING CLUB MEETS.

Members of the California Driving Club met in regular session on the evening of Wednesday, April fourteenth, at their quarters in the Eagles Building on Golden Gate avenue, the principal business of the meeting being the nomination of officers for the ensuing year, the same to be voted upon next Wednesday evening. After the usual routine of business was disposed of, the following nominations were made:

For President—D. E. Hoffman.

For First Vice-President—J. A. McKerron, Luke Marisch and E. M. Doyle.

For Second Vice-President—Dr. I. B. Dalziel, J. M. Kidd, J. D. West.

For Treasurer—Al Hoffman.

For Secretary—F. W. Thompson.

For Board of Directors—J. A. McKerron, J. M. Kidd, Dr. I. B. Dalziel, J. V. Galindo, C. Becker, E. M. Doyle, Wm. Higginbottom, Dr. H. E. Allen, Dan Keating, and Jos. W. McTigue.

So well satisfied were all members with the conduct of the club's affairs in 1914 under the officers in power that season, that for the major positions of president, secretary and treasurer the nominations were unanimously declared closed after the names of the present incumbents had been introduced. From the nominees for the directorate, five will be chosen. While the by-laws do not call for the election of a starter, it was the concensus of opinion that a precedent established last season be adhered to, and Wm. Higginbottom was made sole nominee for that post. Two new members were elected, Mr. Claussen of this city and Mr. Tom Smith of Vallejo, and the courtesies of honorary membership were extended to representatives of the local press.

The officers of both the California and San Francisco Driving Clubs are working in unison to perfect an arrangement whereby the season's events will be raced over the P.-P. I. E. tracks, and the outlook for the success of the project is very good indeed. Between them, the two clubs have sufficient horses to stage a most attractive weekly or fortnightly program that would not only afford great sport for themselves but also provide most excellent and popular entertainment for the public, while the track will be just so much better in the fall for having been raced over throughout the summer.

All members are urged to be present at next Wednesday's meeting, when officers will be elected and installed and other matters of importance considered.

ENTRIES FOR DETROIT'S CLASSICS.

Merchants' & Manufacturers' Stake, 2:08 Trot, $10,000.

Albaloma 2:08¼, br h by Almaden D.—Loma B., by Stam B.; I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Axtien 2:11¼, ch h by Axworthy—Protien, by Genwood; Samuel Harris, Plymouth, Ill.
Beirne Holt 2:11¼, blk h by Cochato—Belle Andrews, by Billy Andrews; H. J. Schlesinger, Milwaukee.
Bonington 2:06½, ch h by Bellini—Nettie King, by Mambrino King; John H. Dickerson, Memphis.
Bright Axworthy 2:08, b g by Axworthy—Honor Bright, by Antonio; Thomas W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Brooklyn Hall 2:14½, b g by Brooklyn Chief—Belle Brandon, by Tom Hal Jr.; G. R. Snedeker, Kirkwood, Del.
Duchess 2:07¼, ro m by Alertene; A. McDonald, Los Angeles.
Gold Dollar 2:06¼, ch g by Pulsus—Daisy Golddust, by Emerson Golddust; Gus Macey, Huntsville, Ala.
Grand Marshall 2:07¾, blk g by Ess H. Kay—Klytia, by Prince Regent; W. L. Snow, Detroit.
Jack K. 2:14¼, ch g by Silverfinch—Bird, by Indianap; H. S. German, Carleton, Mich.
J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08½, blk h by Bingen—Santos, by Grand Sentinel; E. F. Geers, Memphis.
Junior Watts 2:11¼, b h by Gen. Watts—May Stewart, by San Meto; Guy Rea, Lexington.
King Clansman 2:06¾, br h by The Clansman—High Born Lady, by Re-Election; Dick McMahon, Libertyville.
Laramie Lad 2:09½, b g by Master Bo; A. McDonald, Los Angeles.
Lee Axworthy 2:08, b h by Guy Axworthy—Gaiety Lee, by Bingen; Pastime Stable, Cleveland.
Lucile Spier 2:07¾, b h by Directum Spier—Lucile, by Brummell; George W. Slaughter, Detroit.
Lusitania 2:19¼, blk m by Kinney Mac—Renie T.; J. Crouch & Son, Lafayette, Ind.
Mahomet Watts 2:08¼, b h by Gen. Watts—Alla P., by Palo Alto; Charles DeRyder, Pleasanton.
Margaret Parrish 2:06¼, b m by Vice Commodore—Lady Leyburn, by Arion; Thomas W. Murphy.
Miss Directed, br m by Directwell—Vida M., by Prodigal; Beau Ideal Stock Farm, West Park, O.
Miss Rilda 2:08½, b m by Peter the Great—Sis Directum, by Directum; J. O. McAllister, Lexington.
Pass All 2:12¼, blk h by Crystallion—Miss Julia Deane, by Guardsman; E. A. Colburn, Denver.
Peter McCormick 2:08¾, by Peter the Great—Pearl Cecil, by Cecil W.; V. L. Shuler, Indianapolis.
Peter Johnson 2:08, b h by Gray Petrus—Sudena, by Maxworthy; Walter R. Cox, Dover, N. H.
Peter Scott 2:07½, b h by Peter the Great—Jenney Scott, by Bryson; Thomas W. Murphy.
Reusens 2:07¼, ch g by Prince of India—Miss Sligo, by Sligo; Algot Johnson, Oacawana, N. Y.
The Guide 2:07½, b h by Peter the Great—Ethel Vaughan, by Arion; E. F. Geers.
Willgo 2:07¼, b g by Togo—Ruth Harfleur, by Alcantara; J. Crouch & Son.
Worthy Prince 2:11¼, b h by Prince McKinney—Nell Worth, by Axworthy; Walter R. Cox.

Chamber of Commerce, 2:07 Pace, $5,000.

Alcy E. 2:05½, b m by Alcymont—Equity Madam, by Equitywood; Dick McMahon.
Bessie Bee 2:06¼, b m by Star Onward—Agnes H. B., by Heretic's Harmony; Louis E. Bigler, Wadena, Ia.
Bud Elliott 2:08, br g by Prodigal—Evelyn MacKay, by Pegasus Dey; E. F. Geers.
Camelia 2:04½, br m by Cummer—Veta S., by Sidney Prince; Walter R. Cox.
Fred W. 2:08¾, b g by Modern Chimes—Nellie G., by Almont Brunswick; F. D. Weeks, Shirley ,Mass.
Hal Boy 2:06¾, b g by Hal B.—Altalena, by Altamont; Edward Peterson, Omaha.
Hal Plex E. 2:09½, b h by Empire Hal, dam by Duplex; E. F. Geers.
Hal S. 2:16¼, ro g by Hal Chaffin; Thomas W. Murphy.
Judge Ormonde 2:05¼, blk h by Ormonde—Hazel Banks; C. A. Valentine, Columbus.
Little Bernice 2:06¼, b m by Del Coronado—Pearl Pointer, by Sky Pointer; Sam Watkins, Los Angeles.
Lustrous McKinney 2:11¼, b g by McKinney—Splendor, by Stately; A. S. Rodney, Jersey City.
Major Ong 2:03½, b g by Major Gantz—Bessie B., by Iowa Sentinel; Thomas W. Murphy.
Miss Miriam 2:12¼, ro m by Margin—Alsie Onward, by Onward; Parker Bros., Niles, Mich.
O. U. C., b g by C. The Limit—Rosie Woodburn, by Easter Wilkes; S. S. Bailey, Pleasanton.
Peter Farren 2:10, b c by Peter the Great—Hawthorne, by Jay Bird; Thomas W. Murphy.
Patrick M. 2:11¼, blk g by Norbells, dam by Gamester; H. H. Stokes, Urbana, Ohio.
Periolat 2:05¼, b h by Klatawah—Emma Louise, by Noblesse; Frank Cairl, Monroe.
Queen Abbess 2:10¼, br m by The Abbe—Queen Regent Ideal, by Mambrino King; Ideal Stock Farm, East Aurora, N. Y.
Rastus 2:05¼, br g by Liberty Boy—Georgia Rose, by Grant's Abdallah; A. Frank, Kansas City.
Rose Equity 2:07¾, b m by Equity—Annie Rose, by Orphan Knight; H. C. Kibbee, Topeka, Kans.
Ruby K. 2:06¼, b m by Wilkie O'Neil—Temple Queen, by Temple Bar; Dempsey Bros., Highland Park.
Russell Boy 2:05½, b h by Rustic Patenter—Maud F., by Vatican; W. A. McDaniel, Jacksonville, Ill.
Single G. 2:07¼, b h by Anderson Wilkes—Little Gyp, by Shoo Fly Gyp; W. B. Barefoot, Cambridge City, Ind.
The Beaver 2:08¾, b h by Searchlight—Ripple, by Glenbrook; E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg, Man.
Thistle Patch, blk h by Joe Patchen—Sara Ann, by Thistle; W. L. Snow, Detroit.
Walnut Grove 2:05½, blk h by Constantine—Lindis, by Jackdaw; J. A. Young, Port Arthur, Texas.

Hotel Ponchartrain Stake, 2:12 Trot, $2,000.

Axtien, b h by Axworthy—Protien, by Glenwold; Samuel Harris.
Balala, b h by Bingara—Kalala, by Kremlin; A. S. Pratt, Barrenton, Mass.
Brooklyn Hall, b g by Brooklyn Chief—Belle Brandon, by Tom Hal Jr.; G. R. Snedeker.
Bordelon, b h by Bingara—Kishmena, by Kremlin; J. D. Hooper, Murfreesboro, Tenn.
Beirne Holt, blk h by Cochato—Bell Andrews, by Billy Andrews; H. J. Schlesinger.
Eclear Kurtz, b m by John R. Kurtz—Belle Line, by Donaline; Joseph H. Lesh, Goshen, Ind.
Great Isle, b h by Peter the Great—Belle Isle, by Actell; Thomas W. Murphy.
John Dillon, b h by Sidney Dillon—Miss Grattanwood, by Grattan Boy; W. A. Watson, Thomasville.
Louise Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon—Dorathea Mac, by Great Heart; Beau Ideal Stock Farm.
McCloskey, br g by Theodosius—Maggie C., by Odd Socks; A. McDonald, Los Angeles.
Mainstep, blk g by Mainsheet—Julia Lee, by C. F. Clay; Walter R. Cox.
Marry Warren, b m by Zombro—Rosa Bonheur, by Auctioneer; Kinwood Farm, Norristown, Pa.
Mirthful, b m by Star of Patchen—Lizzie Belle Smith, by George Simmons; Thomas W. Murphy.
Russian Dame, b m by George Muscovite—Exelma, by Expedition; E. F. Geers.
Slip Past, br m by E. H. R.—Morriselle, by Morris H.; Walter Palmer, Ottawa, Ill.
Seneca Boy, ch g by King Entertainer—Seneca May, by John Adams; E. J. Rochon.
Sadie S., b m by Archdale; Thomas W. Murphy.
Todd Temple, br g by Todd Mack—Lady Lake, by Temple Bar; James Westwater, Columbus.
Worthy Prince, b h by Prince McKinney—Nell Worthy, by Axworthy; Walter E. Cox.
Kongo, b g by Moko, dam by Director; George D. Conner, Detroit.
June Red, b m by Red Medium—Rozel Maid, by Rozel Russell; Dick McMahon.
John Gwynne, b h by McMyrtle; V. L. Shuler.
Loe Blossom, b m by Lepide, dam by Harry Hontas; Edward Peterson.
Bertha Carey, b m by Zombro—Nell, by Bob Mason; R. J. MacKenzie.
Miss Alice McGregor, b m by Jay McGregor—Black Alice; J. O. McAllister.

Hotel Griswold Stake, 2:10 Pace, $2,000.

Alta Wood, gr m by Allanwood, dam by Alcryon; C. A. Valentine.
Aconite, b h by Aquilan—Mattie S. Wilkes, by Simmons; Walter R. Cox.
Billhurst, b h by Wilkeshurst—Mamie H., by Rayon; G. H. Etherington, Abilene, Kans.
B. M., b h by Peachdale; Walter R. Cox.
Bingen Pointer, b h by King Bingen; W. L. Snow, Detroit.
Derby Custer, ch h by Ed Custer; Thomas W. Murphy.
Dustless McKinney, b h by McKinney; Thomas W. Murphy.
Frayola, b h by Expedition, dam by Allerton; Arthur Heilmann, Madison, Wis.
Flay B., b m by Quaker K.—Babette, by Sir John; Frank A. Cares.
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.—Altalena, by Altamont; Edward Peterson.
Hal Conner, br h by Argot Hal—Barbette, by Tennessee Wilkes; A. H. Frank, Memphis.
Jean, b m by Flosko; Thomas W. Murphy.
Lord Seymour, br h by Barongale—Caracas, by Bingen; Frank A. Cares.
Major Ong, b g by Major Gantz—Bessie J., by Iowa Sentinel; Thomas W. Murphy.
Present Queen, b m by Searchlight—Valentine Dillard, by Hal Dillard; J. O. McAllister.
Prestolite, blk. m. by Don Gale; E. F. Geers.
Rella E., b m by Searchlight—Kitty Arion; J. O. McAllister.
Ruby K., b m by Wilkie O'Neil—Temple Queen, by Temple Bar; Dempsey Bros.
Symbol Meath, b g by Symbol McPhee—Thisby D., by West Meath; C. B. Dillenback, Eldorado, Kans.
The Beaver, b h by Searchlight—Ripple, by Glenbrook; E. J. Rochon.
Walnut Grove, blk h. by Constantine—Lindis, by Jackdaw; J. A. Young.
Zomblack, bl h by Zombro—Madeline Marshall, by Demonio; R. J. MacKenzie.

DEATH OF C. H. NELSON.

The death of Charles Horace ("Hod") Nelson, Maine's first famous horseman, last week, at the Soldiers' Home at Togus, Me., to which he had been taken a short time before on account of the illness of Mrs. Nelson, revived many memories of the noted Pine Tree State Civil War veteran, breeder and developer and of his wonderful trotter, one time world's champion, Nelson 2:09, the "Northern King." The memory of Nelson, the true horseman, than whom there never lived a greater lover of man's noble friend, and of Nelson, the horse, will live long in the history of the race track, not only in his native state of Maine but throughout the country.

Columns and columns have been written about Nelson the man and Nelson, the Northern King. Here, however, mention will be made of two features of the history which appealed to the writer and as related by old-time Maine horsemen. The first is what may be characterized as "The breeding of Nelson 2:09, an accident."

Not having any old files of the horse papers available, we do not know whether or not these facts have been heretofore published but assume that they have been. After the war, in which Mr. Nelson proved to be a good and brave soldier, he resumed dealing in horses, which he bought in Maine and generally shipped to the late W. P. Balch of Boston. In one consignment Mr. Nelson shipped a mare which upon her arrival in Boston was in a bad way, being threatened with death. Mr. Balch, an astute trader, feared he would lose on the deal, informed Mr. Nelson of the illness of the mare and made a proposition to give Nelson a yearling colt in return for the mare, which had many good points appealing to Mr. Balch. Mr. Nelson accepted the proposition, Mr. Balch retained the mare, taking a chance on her recovery, and shipped to Mr. Nelson the colt, considered just an ordinary trotting bred youngster. He was by Tom Rolfe and was named Young Rolfe, later famous as the sire of Nelson 2:09, and as the head of Mr. Nelson's stock farm. But for the sickness of the mare Young Rolfe would probably not have gone to Maine.

Gretchen, dam of Nelson 2:09, and a daughter of the old Maine campaigner, Gideon 2:21½, was bought at an auction when the horses of Mrs. Nelson's father were dispersed. It is reported that Mr. Nelson tried to sell Gretchen to several horsemen for $250. She could not be sold for that price and later produced the Northern King, that first came into nation-wide prominence in the trotting world when he trotted in 2:26¾ as a three-year-old at the Maine State Fair in Lewiston.

The other "feature" to which we refer was Mr. Nelson's individuality. He had his good and bad qualities and it seems as if the latter predominated when he was before the public. Worst impressions of a person, it would seem, last longer than impressions gained from the good qualities. This appeared to be so with Mr. Nelson—a sharp trader, keen in his business dealings, a thorough horseman, knowing the business from A to Z, kind and considerate in his treatment of his horses; but on the other hand a very positive and quick-tempered man, these latter characteristics of his make-up often getting him into trouble. His intimate friends often attributed his poor health to his ending of the life of Nelson 2:09, by his own hand in his declining years.—Horseman.

WANTS TO BE A STARTER.

Editor The Horseman:—I would like to be a race starter. Will you kindly inform me what I have to do to become a licensed starter?—O. F. B.

The first thing to do, is to send $5 to W. H. Knight, secretary of the American Trotting Association, if you intend working west of Ohio, and the same amount to W. H. Gocher, secretary of the National Trotting Association, if you intend officiating in the east. Along with both of these applications you send references as to your ability from two or more secretaries of tracks. After you receive these licenses, then put your disposition into hard training, as your life troubles have just started. You must study to have an even disposition; don't get excited and at all times be impervious to comment, whether it is published in newspapers or handed to you in a loud voice from men on the tracks where you are starting. You cannot please everybody, so don't try; please yourself and you will be doing a good day's work.

In small towns where you are starting, your most trouble will be with that long, fluffy-haired guy, who hangs around the judge's stand along with a lot of others, who talk so loud. This guy's occupation is holding down the third chair in the town's local barber shop. He is a very prominent and important man in the town, as all the scandal of the village can be traced to him. He starts in at the end of each fair to save up his tips to spend at next year's fair. When this time comes around, he picks out a local horse to win a race, although the field may contain a number of others that have been winning right along, but he never figures that these outside horses have any chance, because the swipe on the local horse has told him that it could not be beaten. This same swipe has not been out of the village for years, but knows it all. When the day of the race comes, this great sporting barber puts on his yellow-tinted suit, glaring hat and red necktie and gathers his savings for a grand plunge on his favorite. He bets his entire savings of the year, about $1.40, on this race and loses, because the local horse was in pain at the first quarter, and by the time the race is ever he has not reached the flag. Then this plunging barber commences to salute you, with: "Rotten!" "Take him out!" "Who told you you were a starter?" and a lot of other pet names of his. If you are inexperienced you will answer him back, but if you have been over the jumps, you will let it pass.

You must always be prepared to answer questions, no matter on what subject. If a man loses his wife or children in the crowd on Big Thursday, you must know where they are. The condition of the weather next day must be known; no matter if the president, secretary and speed superintendent each arrange the classes differently, you must know which one will be adopted. If the track is in poor condition, it is your fault. If you score a field of horses twenty times and then let the horse off (that has been spoiling all your starts) on a break, you are rotten; you should have scored them twenty times more. If a crowd is on the track, you must do police duty and get them off. Don't forget to keep a memorandum of all lost children as you are expected to find the owners of those unclaimed.

Another important duty is to watch if the president of the association or any other officer, has a horse in a race or intends parading one before the stand during the meeting. If this happens you must make a special announcement, stating "that this was the greatest horse ever foaled, etc." Throw the bull even if you do get the "huff and mouth disease." This is what makes you a great starter in the eyes of the man who owns the horse; the postal authorities will not allow us to print what you are in other people's eyes.

If the vaudeville acts of some cheap saddle horse, parading in front of the stand, interferes with your starting the races, why cut out the races by all means, as you make yourself solid with the drivers of the racing horses. They don't see much of this kind of entertainment and enjoy it because they know that horses race better when cold, and the longer in the barn, the better they get. Another thing to remember is, never to turn down a swipe when he gives you a hard luck story, as many of these "poor" fellows depend on this form of graft for a living. Some swipes are too bashful to ask you, so don't insult them by free offerings.

If a trainer comes to you before a race and tells you that his horse is bad getting away, why hold the entire field until you get this one horse away to please the driver. The other drivers would rather score than have one of their fraternity dissatisfied. Always keep asking the officers of the association if your work is satisfactory, they enjoy telling you "yes," then you wonder why you are not engaged for another year. After you finish making six announcements of each heat to the grandstand and somebody in an automobile about one hundred yards down the stretch, who was not in range of your horn, may want another announcement for his special benefit, give it to him, it keeps your voice in practice.

You must always have a good memory and remember the names of everybody you meet; if you don't it will cause unpleasantness. Another thing to remember, always stop at once, what you are doing, to answer the questions of newspaper men; of course they are the most important people on the track and you are at their services at all times. If a driver wants to stay in the stable for an hour or so between heats, let him do it, he is more important than the waiting drivers, who are already out. You must be prepared to entertain all who have grouches against you at the hotel in the evening. Be a good fellow and spend your week's salary buying booze, it will make your head clearer in the morning, and makes your voice huskier.

Never leave the stand and go down on the track to look over a horse which the judges think is being tampered with, somebody may punch you in the jaw and still remain unknown. This accident happened to a prominent starter in the east last year. When a driver holds you against a fence and threatens all kinds of damages to you, don't answer back, as he may make good and spoil your posing ability in the afternoon; wait until you can slam him through the book of rules. It is safer, particularly when the railroad schedule of departing trains is conveniently arranged for a safe getaway.

There are a number of other points that would help you out some, but lack of space will not allow us to print them and as these are the most important, we hope they will help you out. While starting horses, remember this parody on a popular song: "I never raised my boy to be a starter."—Horseman.

SPEED ON TAP AT SANTA MARIA.

There is "kind of a feeling" that a half-mile track is not the fastest thing in the world, and also that the ring at Santa Maria is no "Phoenix footing," but from the way the several horses quartered there are working, one of two things is very evident—that that track is faster than credited, or that the local horses have speed to burn; maybe a little of both. W. L. Young with Ben Corbett Jr. by Ben Corbett, dam Miss Thompson by Thompson, and Robert Earl with R. W. went the route in company recently in 2:13 with the last half in 1:02, and from the reports by the underground wireless they are able to step that same track quite a bit faster. Garrett Blosser is working Pointer's Daughter 2:11¼ by Star Pointer 1:59¼, dam Banker's Daughter by Arthur Wilkes, and the girl is picking up her speed nicely, traveling miles lately in 2:20. Both Ben Corbett Jr. and Pointer's Daughter are entered at the fall meeting at San Francisco.

The Santa Maria horsemen will hold a matinee on May Day, with a pacing race in which R. W., Ben Corbett Jr. and Pope Hartford are entered, being scheduled as the main event. The Pope horse, who is owned by William Finley, has been going around 2:16 of late, with halves at a 2:10 gait, and a lively contest is expected.

QUARANTINE MODIFIED IN SEVEN STATES.

An order effective April fifth is the first of the various quarantine orders for foot-and-mouth disease which adds no new territory to the quarantined area and consists entirely of modifications because of improved conditions. In connection with the fact that for a brief time on April 1 there were no animals in the United States known to have the disease this is regarded as significant evidence of satisfactory progress in the campaign. It is also pointed out that Michigan, the state in which the epidemic started and which has suffered a loss of 7,799 animals, is believed to be entirely free from the disease. All territory in the state is now included in the restricted area, for which the regulations are the least stringent of any of the four classes in the quarantined area. No territory east of the Mississippi and north of the Tennessee-Virginia line is entirely free from quarantine regulations.

The new order known as Amendment No. 5 to B. A. I. Order 236, affects the quarantine regulations in the following particulars.

Illinois: All of the counties of Henry and Whiteside are now in the exposed area.

Indiana: Allen and Johnson counties, together with territory in St. Joseph county within five miles of infected premises, are modified area. Morgan are added to the restricted area.

Iowa: The counties of Cedar, Iowa, and Johnson are restricted area. Jones county is a modified area with the exception of Washington Township which is exposed.

Kentucky: Territory in Hardin, Jessamine, and Scott counties not within three miles of infected premises is made restricted area and territory in Woodford county within three miles of infected premises a modified area and not within three miles a restricted area.

Michigan: Berrien, Saginaw, and Tuscola counties are added to the rtsircted area.

Ohio: The following counties are added to the restricted area: Belmont, Champaign, Darke, Fayette, Franklin, Fulton, Hardin, Putnam, Shelby and Wyandot.

Pennsylvania: Indiana county is made an exposed area and Beaver county restricted area.

West Virginia: Ohio county is made exposed area; Brooke, Hancock, and Marshall counties restricted area.

The Park Amateur Driving Club at a recent meeting decided to disincorporate and reincorporate on a stockholding basis, in preference to the membership system now in effect, the reorganization and stock issue being based on the valuation of their property at current offers. This will allow those wishing to retire from the club to do so, and at the same time get value received for their interest in the club's holdings, which will be extensively improved after the reorganization is effected.

EASTER MATINEE AT SANTA BARBARA.

The first race meeting of the year on the local track, last Sunday afternoon, was productive of some exceptionally high-class sport, and while the people who availed themselves of the opportunity to witness it were not so many as expected, they made up in enthusiasm what the occasion lacked in numbers.

The program began with the 2:40 class, in which the contestants were Lady Cupid, owned by J. S. Keran of this city, and Santa Paula, a hoppled pacing mare, owned and driven by Jas. Gill of Oxnard. The first heat went to Santa Paula in 2:44, after the Cupid mare made a mistake on the back stretch, from which she had trouble in recovering. The Oxnard mare proved that she could do it again, by annexing the second heat and race, in the creditable time of 2:27. In this heat both horses were on their good behavior, and paced the mile without a break.

The feature race of the day was the free-for-all, which brought together a very well-balanced field of four pacers, consisting of Zomar, owned by Donlon Bros. of Oxnard; Sunshine, the property of Henry Delaney of Ventura, and the local horses—John Black, owned by C. C. Hickey, and Iris, owned by M. W. Beadle. This race was changed just before the start from best two out of three heats to best three out of five. Before the meet, Zomar seemed the choice, and this judgment was justified, for he got away on the pole and was never in difficulty, although Iris forced him to step a pretty good mile in 2:19¾. John Black was third, two lengths behind Iris, and Sunshine last, she making three breaks in the mile. The second heat started like the first, Zomar setting the pace and Iris forcing him out, until the last turn, where the Oxnard horse had a little trouble, causing a slight delay, just sufficient to lose the heat, John Black and Sunshine again finishing third and fourth, respectively, the time being 2:20.

Henry Delaney piloted Sunshine in the third heat, in place of William Cook, who drove her in the first two, and made a determined bid for the heat. They all went away fast, and going into the back stretch Iris decided it was his turn for an ascenscion, and accordingly made a break, Zomar and Sunshine both passing him. The mare gradually opened up the lead on the home stretch, she looked a safe winner. Zomar proved his gameness, however, by standing the hardest kind of a drive and just managing to land the heat at the wire in 2:19½. Sunshine was second, Iris third and John Black, who seemed short of work, last. The fourth and last heat was practically a duplicate of the third, Zomar again winning from Sunshine in the last stride in 2:20½. The uncertainty of this race kept the crowd in suspense during the entire afternoon, and the concensus of opinion was that it was a first class, clean-cut contest, and that the best horse won.

The program was concluded with the half mile running race, which was won by the favorite, Barney Mason, owned by O. T. Fitzpatrick of Saticoy; Frances Hogan second, Lady Suffragette third, Rival Stonia fourth and Queen Bess fifth. Time, 52 seconds.

The visitors from the south expressed themselves as being highly satisfied with the afternoon's racing, and arranged to hold a meet in Ventura on Sunday, April 18, at which time the horses from Santa Barbara will again try conclusions with those from that city, and doubtless many from here will make the trip to see them race.

The track yesterday was fair, although a little more time would have been beneficial, and taken altogether, the promoters, the members of the Santa Barbara Driving Club, feel that their efforts in putting on this meeting were well repaid.—Morning Press, Santa Barbara.

ROCKLIN DRIVING CLUB.

Members of the Rocklin Driving Club held their first meeting early in the month and elected the following gentlemen to pilot the club in its 1915 campaign: F. H. Metz, President; James Waddell, Vice-President; B. N. Scribner, Secretary; F. W. Quast, Treasurer, and W. E. Tuttle, H. Blackwell, S. Henderson, B. N. Scribner and F. H. Metz, Executive Committee. It is the intention of the new officers to make the Rocklin Driving Club one of the foremost of its kind in northern California, and a race meeting will be given every two weeks for the entire season, beginning on May Day.

The club boasts of having under the ownership of its members some of the best bred colts and racing stock in the country. Rocklin is the home of the good race horse and speed sire Stam B. 2:11¼—and, incidentally, the old fellow looks and acts like a two-year-old in spite of his twenty-three years—and there are many horses in the locality by the son of Stamboul 2:07½ and such other sires as Zombro 2:11, McKinney 2:11¼, The Bondsman, Charles Derby 2:20, Bon Voyage 2:08, etc. Members of the driving clubs at other points are invited to take part in any of the meetings of the Rocklin organization, which will reciprocate by sending its best horses to compete with those of their visitors on their native heath. Rocklin has one of the best two-lap tracks on the coast, and in the days gone by many famous races have been staged there between the history making trotters of the west.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

THE SORA RAIL.

[By Harold C. Bryant.]

The sora rail is one of the commonest of the rails in both fresh water and salt water marshes throughout the State of California. They are apparently more abundant during the summer and it is probable that many migrate farther to the south during the winter. At any rate it is a known fact that during the winter this bird is most abundant in Mexico and Central America.

The sora rail breeds from Southern Canada southward to Southern California, Utah, Colorado, Kansas, Illinois and New Jersey. It spends the winter season from Northern California, Illinois and South Carolina south through the West Indies and Central America, to northern South America.

This rail, hardly as large as a robin, may be readily distinguished by its short, chicken-like bill and black face and throat. Although possessing barred flanks, like the Virginia rail, the sora has a lead-colored breast instead of one of cinnamon color. The habits of these two rails are very much alike, however.

There are a number of recorded instances of the nesting of this species in California. The northernmost record is for Mad river, Humboldt county, and the southernmost for Escondido, San Diego county. This species breeds regularly at Lake Tahoe and probably at many other places in the State. The nest is usually placed in a fresh water marsh among tall grasses. Marsh grass is the principal structural constituent, and the nest is usually partly supported by surrounding grass stocks. Sometimes weeds or tules are used and the nest is often placed above water. From four to fifteen drab colored eggs, marked with reddish brown and purplish spots, are laid. The young, like those of other rails, are glossy black and are capable of taking care of themselves soon after they leave their shells.

The flight of the sora rail is usually low and is rarely extended to more than fifty or a hundred yards. Even in migrations this bird appears to fly close to the earth, for it is often found beneath telegraph wires where it has been killed by contact with them. Although not an easy flyer, this bird has strong legs and is able to run rapidly. Like the body of all rails that of the sora is very thin; hence it is able to pass readily between the reeds. The common expression, "As thin as a rail," has reference to these slender birds. The sora rail is said to answer a clapping of the hands with a mocking, cackling note, and the hunter oftentimes claps his hands in order to attract inquisitive rails within gunshot. Toward sunset the marshes often resound with the musical calls of the sora. Were it not for these calls, in fact, the birds would be seldom located, for it requires endless patience and keen eyes to discover their motionless forms even in places where one would suppose there was insufficient growth to conceal them.

Ranchers in mowing fields of alfalfa near a marsh often find that the sora rails will remain hidden in the unmowed hay until the last narrow strip is being cut, when a number of them make off to better cover.

The food consists mainly of insects, but snails and other aquatic creatures are taken. In the Eastern States the sora also feeds on wild rice. Practically all of the food is obtained in wet marshes.

In the East thousands of sora rails were formerly killed by sportsmen and market hunters. Even though very easy to shoot, this bird has always been highly prized by hunters because of its delicious flavor. In the West it is hardly abundant enough to make it a desirable game bird, nor have sportsmen as yet been driven to such "small game."

The ability of the sora rail to hide in very slight cover and the fact that it is not widely hunted in this State partly compensates for the ease with which it is killed. There is not sufficient data at hand to allow of a statement as to the exact status of this bird in California at the present time. It is probable, however, that this bird will continue to appear in numbers in our State unless some unforeseen circumstance intervenes. The federal migratory bird law protects all rails in this State until 1918. This will doubtless give the different species a fine chance to increase in numbers.

Sierra Trout Fishing.—Sportsmen in the mountain counties have learned that the season for trout fishing will not open until May 1 this year, because of the decision of the appellate court declaring the act creating districts unconstitutional. The fish and game commission has reported to inquirers in the mountain counties that the officials are operating under the laws enacted in 1911. The district measure was enacted in 1913. Therefore the open season for trout fishing will commence on the first of May this year.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

ARID CALIFORNIA AND ITS WILD ANIMAL LIFE.

Following the account of "Animal Life on the Mojave Desert" which was given in these columns several weeks ago, we find a companion story by Frank Stephens, in a report to the State Fish and Game Commission, which applies particularly to the Colorado desert and, we take it, is of equal interest to the first mentioned narrative. Mr. Stephens' report follows:

Perhaps it may seem a little severe to term southwestern California arid, but the most distinctive character of the region I wish to indicate by this heading is its dryness as compared with the region west of the Sierra Nevadas and the mountains to the State line. While a large part of this region is arid, there are localities of greater or less extent scattered through it that are less arid, either from the presence of streams or springs that furnish water for irrigation or from a higher altitude causing a moister mountain climate. Animal life is more abundant and of greater variety in these less arid localities, but there is some life in all parts of this region. A greater proportion of it is nocturnal than in the western part of the State, and animals of nocturnal habits are more likely to be overlooked than those that are abroad in the daytime. This is the principal reason why so many people think that there is almost no animal life on the deserts. Really one does not see much life in traveling through this region, yet there is a far greater amount and variety there than a casual observer would think possible.

In a general way the southern part of this region is known as the Colorado desert. It is the lowest in altitude, the warmest, and averages the dryest; but it also contains the largest body of cultivated land, principally under irrigation from the Imperial canal.

North of the Colorado desert is the Mojave desert, a plain of higher altitude interspersed with low mountains, usually isolated or standing in small, irregular groups. Some of the northernmost of these mountains rise to a considerable height and carry small coniferous forests. A more or less connected range of low, barren mountains divides the Mojave desert from the Colorado.

In the strict sense of being a land without animal or vegetable life these are not desert, as there is everywhere some animal life, and shrubs and cactusses occur, albeit sparsely in places. But in the sense used by us "old desert rats," as the prospectors, cattlemen, frontiersmen and naturalists frequenting this region are often called, a desert means a land where springs and water holes are many miles apart and grass or other horse feed is very scanty or altogether lacking.

All animal life is dependent on vegetable life, hence when plants are few animal life is correspondingly scanty. But the plants of this region sprout their seeds quickly, grow rapidly and mature early when showers do come, and showers are quite likely to be heavy though brief. Then many annuals quickly appear that soon ripen a quantity of seeds that furnish food for many small animals and some birds. If the rains happen to come at short intervals and extend over several weeks, the desert becomes a brilliant flower garden. Then the desert is a paradise for botanists, entomologists and other naturalists. Plants and insects of many species appear, live a brief life and disappear, for years perhaps. This fullness of bloom happens but rarely, however. I have seen it at its best but twice in many years.

Deer are found only near the border of arid California, the deserts being unsuited to their wants. Formerly some burro deer lived along the Colorado river, but the settlers and prospectors have practically exterminated them there. Few California mule deer range down the eastern slopes of the mountains bordering the western side of the deserts.

I do not think that antelope were ever plentiful in this region, but I once saw four antelope where Carrizo creek opens out to the Colorado desert, and I have seen fresh tracks of antelope many times in the southern part of this desert. As near as I can learn no antelope has been seen in that part of the Colorado desert north of the Mexican boundary for seven or eight years. I am told that a few still survive near Lake Maquata in northeastern Lower California, and an occasional individual might wander north as far as the boundary. A small band of antelope still live in Antelope valley, which is the western end of the Mojave desert. This band is carefully protected, and is the only one I know of in southern California.

Bighorns (mountain sheep) still live in eastern California. The sub-species of the desert mountains is the Nelson bighorn. Recently (1912) Dr. Joseph Grinnell described a new race from the Sierra Nevadas as the Sierra Nevada bighorn. It is probable that the few bighorns living in the San Gabriel and San Bernardino mountains belong to the latter race, as Nelson bighorns prefer a warmer climate, being seldom found as high as 4,000 feet above sea level, while the Sierra Nevada bighorns live mostly above 8,000 feet altitude.

Among the rough and almost inaccessible canyons and spurs of the eastern slope of the coast range of mountains in San Diego and Riverside counties, and in the desert hills and low mountains of eastern Riverside, San Bernardino, Inyo and Imperial counties, Nelson bighorns occur in small bands or singly. There are few large bands left. Those remaining maintain a precarious existence by constant watchfulness. Their natural enemies aside from man are few. Cougars (mountain lions), that are so destructive to bighorn lambs in the Rocky Mountains, do not occur at all in most of this region, and are very rare along the Colorado river and on the eastern slope of the coast range. Nor do golden eagles do much harm to the lambs. Coyotes kill an occasional lamb or an isolated adult, but adult bighorns, especially if in a small band, are able to fight coyotes away. But bighorns cannot cope with man. Sportsmen do not kill many bighorns, but prospectors, ranchmen and Indians do kill many, in season and out of season, male and female. Most prospectors contend that they have the moral right to kill game for food whenever they have the opportunity. Travelers and outlying ranchmen pick them off occasionally; Mojave and other Indians kill some. Among them they make life exceedingly hazardous for bighorns. The frontier people particularly resent entire restriction of hunting. I believe that if a brief open season was allowed the closed season would be better respected, no more bighorns would be killed then than now, and it would be much easier to educate the people to respect the closed season. With all its destruction, I believe that bighorns are nearly holding their own, and if poaching was stopped their numbers would begin to increase slowly. There is a large area of rough hills and low mountains in southeastern California that is well adapted to the wants of bighorns, that can never be utilized for agricultural purposes for lack of water. Its principal value at present is as a prospecting ground for minerals. By thorough protection the number of bighorns in this region could be steadily increased, and ultimately this could be made a fine hunting ground.

The food of bighorns is of a coarse nature, mostly the leaves and twigs of shrubs, or a very coarse kind of desert grass called "gietta." Bighorns go to water nearly every day in warm weather; but if disturbed at the springs or if they become suspicious of the presence of man at the springs they may go without water for several days. At such times they eat the large cactus that grows in this region. The Indians tell me that they sometimes get in the habit of eating this cactus and then go without drinking for a long time in cool weather.

Six species of squirrels live in arid California, all being ground squirrels or chipmunks. Some of these squirrels are troublesome to farmers through their depredations on crops. No tree squirrels or flying squirrels live in this region as there are no extensive forests.

Formerly beavers were common along the Colorado river, but they have been trapped so relentlessly that they have become quite scarce. If they were thoroughly protected for a few years they would again become common. Notwithstanding the warm climate in which they live the fur of these beavers is fairly good because the water of the river remains cool most of the year.

Muskrats occur here and there along the Colorado river, but are not common. I am told that they have followed down the Imperial canal and have become quite troublesome by causing breaks in the canal. They are likely to always be troublesome in such canals as it is not practicable to entirely exterminate them. Their fur is poor.

Mice and rats, of many species, are the most abundant mammals of arid California. A locality must be barren indeed if mice are unable to find food in it, and the mice of this region are hardy. In favorable places they become very abundant, particularly pocket mice and pocket rats, which have developed the habit of storing food in the season when it is most abundant. The list of species of these two groups foots up thirty for arid California. Of course no one locality has half of them.

Desert jack rabbits are widely distributed, though sparsely in the more barren parts. Arizona cottontails are common in the Colorado river bottoms, and in various places where brush is plentiful enough to make sufficient cover. They are lacking in wide areas of the more barren parts of the region.

Desert wildcats (lynx, bobcats) are found along the Colorado river and along the old channels running from it into the Salton lake, and less commonly in brushy localities in the foothills and low mountains. They prey on rats, mice, cottontails, etc., and once in a while on poultry.

Yuma cougars (puma and mountain lion) are rare inhabitants of the Colorado river bottoms, not occurring west according to our present knowledge of their distribution. The Pacific cougar occurs in the foothills bordering the deserts on the west, but is becoming quite rare. They prey on squirrels, rats, mice, rabbits, and occasionally on hogs, fawns and bighorn lambs.

Coyotes are common everywhere in arid California. They prey on cottontails, jack rabbits, ground squirrels, rats and mice, and such insect life as grasshoppers and beetles. They catch a small amount of poultry at isolated ranches and the borders of settlements, but on the whole they do the farmer more good than harm, as they help to keep in check harmful insects, ground squirrels, gophers, etc. Cer-

ainly no bounty should be paid for the destruction f coyotes.

Foxes of two species live in this region. The desrt kit fox is a yellowish colored animal inhabiting he open desert. Its prey is almost entirely of rats nd mice. The Arizona gray fox is common in the imbered bottom lands along the Colorado. They re easily trapped.

Raccoons are abundant along the river and the old verflow channels in Imperial valley. They eat fish, rogs, bats, mice, fruits and seeds. Their fur is moderately good in winter.

A very few badgers are scattered through arid California.

Sonora otters are now rare along the Colorado river. Trappers look closely for their signs and occasionally get an otter there.

Arizona skunks are common along the river and the old channels. A few spotted skunks live in the same region.

Bats are more or less common in their season in arid California, and are abundant at times around water.

Altogether about 65 kinds of mammals are native to arid California.

Fish Lines

Fair and sunshiny days have improved trout fishing conditions materially. Indications for tomorrow's sport on the banks of the trout streams are good enough to tempt the week-end rodsters away this afternoon in force. Bear in mind, however, that the streams are all unusually high, and that bait fishing or the spinning spoon will get more fish than the fly. The upper reaches and headwaters of many of the creeks will be found reasonably clear and not overly deep. Some gymnastic ability is required to get rod and tackle properly at work in the brushy-grown pools of the up-canyon branches. The effort is worth trying, for it is surprising in what apparently unproductive holes a big, hungry trout is lying in wait for a fat angleworm. In such fishing territory whipping the water with a fly is out of the question.

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The San Mateo coast creeks have been well patronized since the 1st and with general satisfaction to many local fishermen. Among the visitors to Purissima were Carl Sarcander and William Shepston for limit baskets. George Cutter caught three fine fish in the spray of the millwheel on the Nelson Ranch, one fish weighed 1½ pounds. Fred Kahn and Graham Ridley landed fifty fish Saturday and Sunday from the San Gregorio lagoon. These trout ran rather small in size. Frank Smith's Saturday visit was a limit trip.

Dr. Clyde Payne and August Krupps found limit fishing places in Purissima creek a week ago. Steve Hauser and a friend fished Higgins creek, above Halfmoon bay, and had a day's lucky sport. A. J. Stevenson and John Kronquist touched the upper La Honda, where good catches of eight-inch trout were made.

Returns from Santa Clara Valley creeks, since the opening day, indicate that the creeks are not all too high for good fishing. A large percentage of the San Jose rodsters are credited with full creels caught in different creeks, on bait or with the spinner, however. Amon gthe limit baskets reported were: James Payne, Mike Surlina and Al Bosquet, who fished the Guadalupe. Sam Wells, Ira Dick and Ed Armstrong of this city will try their luck on the creek tomorrow. The Llagas furnished a fine limit for George Diako. Hubert Boater and Howard Sheldon did as well in the Uvas. Ted Hansen and Roy Bettruci were well satisfied with their trip to the Almaden.

Santa Cruz streams were well up to the anticipations and catches of previous seasons. Good catches of 8 and 9-inch trout, including a half-pounder, were taken in the city limits by Police Chief Hannah, Eli Wilder and Douglas Wilder, where the creek crosses Mission street. The Zyante produced a number of good baskets, trout running from 8 to 10 inches. Dr. Earl Pomeroy and Mrs. Pomeroy, Mr. and Mrs. Stafford Keesling of San Jose and Walter R. Welch of Capitola caught limits the first day in Soquel creek, and also in Majors creek the next day. Mrs. Keesling captured an 11-pound steelhead—she jumped into water waist deep and made the big trout captive. Which all may not be orthodox angling, but it shows conclusively where the trout can be found, and that is the main point. Bear and Boulder creeks afforded good sport to Mrs. Norman Kooser, Mrs. Clara Staffler, William Clouette, Arthur Huddleson, Harold Huddleson, Lowell Rountree, Roy Sharpe and others. Aptos creek has also proven a good creek, the largest trout reported was a 4-pound fish, landed by S. Miller.

The Santa Cruz coast streams have also pielded good catches. At Swanton one youth landed a 15-inch trout among his limit catch.

Bait fishing efforts have been fairly well rewarded recently in the tide water of Paper Mill creek, near Point Reyes, which has produced a number of good baskets. The best catch was that of Alf Greenwald, who fished from the county road bridge and picked up a number of good-sized trout. Among the other lucky anglers were: Charley Breidenstein, Charles Gibb, Henry Miller, Charles Isaac, Baldo Ivancovich, Ed Murray, Will Eaton, Al Baker, Fred Tobelman, Mo Uri, Dr. T. L. Cranz and others.

A high northwest wind handicapped the sport a fortnight ago. During the past week conditions were better. Jim Andrews landed three dozen trout Thursday, a three-and-a-half-pounder being the prize beauty of the catch. Thursday morning's downpour last week was heavy and raised the creek a bit.

Farther upstream many trout have been taken daily. Most of the fish are small. Between Tocaloma and Garcia last Sunday Sam Wells caught twenty-two trout with a fly—not one of basketable size. Charles Ehrenberg fished from Camp Taylor down on Thursday for a nice basket of fair-sized trout. The creek in that section is very high.

The Lagunitas has been well fished since the opening day. While a number of large trout have been caught, the general average of size is small. Harry Gosliner, Arthur Perry, Fred Gantner, Vernon Shepard and others have been lucky on that creek.

Olema and Bolinas creeks have evidently had a recent run of trout from the ocean, a number of fish taken the past week being silvery as smelts and just in from the sea. These fish did not run over six inches, however.

Achille Roos, Dave Sachs, John Seibe, Dr. M. E. Simon and Dr. H. Lacosta have each had good fishing in Throckmorton lagoon on the ocean shore, near Tennessee cave.

The small creeks leading into the bay marshes of Marin county have yielded a number of anglers fine baskets of eight to ten inch trout. Herman Cohn and son landed sixty-one trout from the creek near Kentfield one day. Professor Fusier of Crockett tried Ignacio creek and picked up thirty trout, none under eleven inches. Ed Armstrong, the next day, took the 9 a. m. boat bound for Ignacio creek, but left the train near St. Vincent's Orphan Asylum and fished Miller creek near by. He returned at 5 o'clock with a nice basket.

Austin creek and its headwaters are now well worth a visit, according to O. O. Orr and Ralph Lacoste, who caught limits during a recent trip, Louis Gotthelf's limit catch from Russian Gulch creek is another index of possibilities up that way.

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The Fish and Game Commission officials state that the amount received for fishing licenses last year was from $15,000 to $40,000 less than expected—a total of $85,000 only. In consequence deputy commissioners have been instructed to comb the fishing streams thoroughly and gather in the simoleons. Deputies report a large number of anglers of both sexes that are under 18 years of age. Rather odd, that.

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Now that the weather conditions are tending towards bringing out insect life over and about the streams, it may be timely to suggest a few fly patterns that will be found good on all of the coast trout rivers and creeks. These tried and proven favorites are: Black gnat, hare's ear, quill, English royal coachman, yellow May, March brown, gray hackle and brown hackle. When these patterns will not lure the fish, it is nearly useless to try anything else. Many fishermen have other and favorite patterns—lures that are effective, too, but those given above are the standards. Some rodsters use a fly dressed upon a No. 10 hood, the sizes used by the majority are 12's and 14's; small though they be, these hooks will hold and land big trout, at least anything that is ordinarily found in the upper creeks at present.

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While on the subject of trout flies it may be just as well to note that "eyed" flies are gaining more in favor every season. Snelled flies, that is, flies with a short gut tied to them, are gradually going into the discard. When changing patterns, the snell is more often than not dry, and because of this it may break before becoming properly soaked. Many flies are whipped off in this way and not a few are broken away by the first trout that seizes the fly. Then, again, the fly with its snell may have been made up for two or three years and the length of gut, of course, debilitated with age. Further, the loop in the snell adds a bit of unnecessary disturbance on the water in making the cast. The fisherman who has thoroughly familiarized himself with the use of eyed flies will never return to the snelled fly. The leader used for the eyed fly is always well soaked, when attached to the fly, which prevents breakage. If the leader should become weakened or worn, at the place of tying, the fly can easily be cut off and a new knot tied. The snelled flies are brittle and unreliable. Eyed fly patterns can be changed far more quickly.

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Striped bass are running in Raccoon Straits and off Belvidere point—and have been in those bay waters for a week and more past. Good catches have also been made in the Tiburon lagoon. Among the fish caught have been a number ranging from 10 up to 18 pounds.

A number of bass fishermen tried the creek and bay water near Greenbrae Sunday. A few fish were taken, a 15-pounder being the heaviest. A howling nor'wester made fishing too uncomfortable that day, particularly for the men out in boats. The wind was so strong, anchors would not hold. Bass have been loafing in Corte Madera creek and about San Quentin Point for some time now.

The San Antoners out Sunday two weeks ago had the time of their lives—getting back to the arks and landing, near the railroad trestle. Several boats were nearly swamped and almost everybody out was drenched with spray.

A change in the striped bass law, if the bill which passed the Senate goes through, is that five bass a day may be taken by hook and line, providing they are not sold, "at any time of the year." This provision is supposed to apply to the closed season for net fishermen. The limit heretofore has been ten fish per day for the hook and line bass catchers.

Much complaint has been made for a long time past over the operations of a fleet of fishing boats in Petaluma creek. These net fishermen cleaned out the creek, it is claimed, of the striped bass, between the railroad bridge and the mouth of the creek. The boat fishermen were very systematic in their work, in both incoming and outgoing tides. There is a Sonoma county ordinance which prohibits net fishing in any of the creeks of the county. It was supposed that the mouth of Petaluma creek was at the drawbridge. Investigation was made by the Fish and Game Commission developed the fact that United States engineers consider the mouth of the creek to be way out at Beacon No. 6. The Commission officials referred the matter to District Attorney C. F. Lea, at Santa Rosa. The district attorney has put the matter up to "the constable at Petaluma." And there the matter rests for the present. If there was a State law prohibiting net fishing in the waters above referred to, the commission officials state prompt action would ensue.

WHEN THE SEASON OPENS.

[By Ike Walton, Jr.]

The afternoon and evening preceding Thursday, April 1 this year, was a busy period among the Waltonians and many were the scenes of unusual activity in anglers' homes. Dark and dusty closets and other places of concealment were ransacked, their contents pulled forth for close scrutiny, comparative and exhaustive tests made, inventory taken, every member of the family questioned and cross-questioned in regard to missing articles that had in all probability been impressed into service for general duty during the early gardening efforts of the family to beautify the back lot. Then the house finally quieted down and reposed in peaceful slumber, to awake soon after, for before the sun rose in the eastern sky, a long line of men stole out into the dim shadows of the morning light and silently made their respective ways to the agreed place of meeting. There was no need for a watchword or private signal of recognition, for nothing else but so important a mission could possibly attract the head of the house from his comfortable bed, for on that day the law of the State clearly stated that he could go "fishin'."

And the style of his "tackle" was various. The word tackle is here used in a collective sense, and includes rod, reel, line, leader and fly, as well as the various other impedimenta, but the purpose of this discussion will be to call attention to the rod and particularly the hand-made rod of the home-made variety, not the kind that is quickly cut from a convenient clump of bushes, but the kind that is made from split bamboo, wound with silk thread, carefully varnished and brought forth for use, a thing of beauty, as well as utility.

It was Leonard, the Isaak Walton of America, who set the standard of quality and style of decoration for the hand-made rod that is still the apex of perfection and the goal of ambition for every amateur rod maker, and the possession of a genuine Leonard has its equivalent in the ownership of a rare gem or painting, for they are alike the product of the master hand. Such of his own manufactured rods as are still in existence (for Leonard passed to the happy hunting grounds years ago), are beyond price and are rarely found outside the collection of men who, in their earlier days' pursuit of the game fish, have felt the thrill of the tightening line and bend of their favorite rod as a speckled or striped beauty struck the fly or spoon and opened the engagement with the full force of his untamed fury.

Our Eastern brother has undoubtedly carried the art of making his own rod to the highest degree of perfection, and although many Western men are equally capable, yet there is scarcely the incentive or competitive interest necessary to develop this form of accomplishment. Such incentive can be easily understood when it is known that in all the larger cities of the United States there are casting clubs (affiliations of a national organization, known as the National Association of Scientific Angling clubs), which have for their object the promotion of the higher and cleaner elements of the sport, the co-operation with legislative bodies in the protection of fish and game, and general benefits that such aggregations of men invariably provide. It is the force of these local organizations that has created the demand for a superior article in the form of our present day fishing rod.

Naturally there are many who can not afford an expenditure of $20 to $50 for a high grade article for use in club contests or for general utility. The consequence, with those who are fortunate enough to possess some mechanical skill and enough confidence to undertake so important a venture, is the home-made rod, superior in many instances to the one made in the factory, and woe unto him who ignorantly calls it a "fishin' pole," instead of fishing rod.

During the long Eastern winter evening, after the day's toil is over, it is truly an event to bring forth the materials previously selected for the occasion, cut and fit the cork grip to the handle section, set the ferules for the jointed rod, and with infinite

care, wind on the line guides and intermediate wrappings, testing the resiliancy and strength of first one, then the other sections as each nears completion. Throughout the entire operation there weaves a thread of adventure with dreams of future conquests that truly makes the home-made rod an intimate treasure. Nor does the member of one of these casting clubs stop with the one effort in rod building, for the demands of diversified events make it imperative that he possess the proper equipment to enable him to compete with his fellow club member, as well as a visiting club representative, in the matter of making high scores and establishing new records (see World Almanac for record performances at national meets of the N. A. S. A. C.).

A glance at the club rules relating to tackle and events reveals the information that there are three distinct classes of performance to be participated in and from two to three subdivisions to each of these general classes. It is not necessary that the member shall compete in all of the classes, but he may elect some one, two or even all, for his season's work and strive for the club award for each class on account of the highest season score and also a season award to the member attaining the highest season score in all events, the title accompanying the latter award being a degree of master.

As the requirements of the club rules are rigid, so in proportion must the contestant possess equipment upon which he can bestow his confidence while striving for honors. If he will become expert in the use of the trout fly, he must have a rod that means proficiency in the delicacy and accuracy event, the same rod being available for the dry fly contest, but for long distance casting, the heavy salmon type of rod must be used. In the bait casting division, the light and whippy rod is necessary to handle the quarter-ounce weight, a heavier and stiffer rod for the half-ounce weight, and a shorter and much stiffer rod for the half-ounce long distance cast.

In Coast cities, where surf fishing is possible, the deep sea style of rod, with its extreme weight and rigidity, is necessary to heave the six-ounce lead, and to land the big ones.

To the busy city man this form of recreation and relaxation is a necessity as well as a pleasure and on Saturday afternoons, during the summer months he will be seen at the club pool indulging in his favorite and oft times spirited contests, thus bringing him into closer proximity to nature than he could otherwise enjoy without the time and expense of a trip into the country itself.

It was after one of these trips into the country that a club man related his experiences to a friend of his who was a near-poet, and at the conclusion of the story, his friend was heard to say:

"The fisherman now doth wander forth
To see what he may find,
And from the tale he tells
Methinks, he wanders in his mind."

At the Traps

Golden Gaters.—The Golden Gate Gun Club's regular monthly shoot will take place tomorrow at the West Alameda station trap grounds.

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Vallejo Gilbert Shoot.—A. G. Flickinger, shooting from the 22 yard mark, won the Fred Gilbert cup with a total of 69 out of 100, at the recent shoot of the Vallejo Gun Club.

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Change of Dates.—Secretary E. Reed Shaner announces that the dates for the Los Angeles Gun Club's shoot at Venice have been set back to July 11, 12 and 13 instead of July 1, 2 and 3.

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Passing of a Popular Shooter.—Arthur J. Webb, a member of the California Wing Shooting club and Golden Gate Gun Club, passed away April 7 in Oakland after a brief illness. Arty Webb was extremely popular with the trap shooting fraternity, a man of pleasing personality and a good sportsman. He was a clever and consistent trap shooter and always a reliable and high average contender, particularly when shooting with a team of fellow club members.

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In the Citrus Belt.—The Los Angeles Gun Club last March shoot was held during a cloudy, rainy day with a heavy wind blowing over the Venice trap ground. Some good scores were shot, however, as follows:

G. J. Hoffman, of Oakland, Cal., shot at 850, broke 679; Leslie Simson, late of Johannesburg, South Africa, shot at 850, broke 675; O. H. Binns 200—160, F. A. Johnson 175—143, F. H. Nichols 175—140, C. C. Richards 150—90, G. L. Becker 100—95, Dr. S. B. Friend 100—77, E. W. Mueller 100—41, Leo Bergin 100—32, C. F. Nichols 75—64, A. H. McFarland 75—56, E. L. Hedderly 75—55, Tom Bundy 75—54, Mrs. C. E. Groat 50—40, H. P. Densel 50—36, C. E. Groat 50—33, M. D. Towne 50—33, M. Nordlinger 50—26, Miss Wheeler 50—18, F. H. Teeple 25—22, G. Bohn 25—15, C. Steel 25—12.

Tower shooting: Geo. J. Hoffmann 19x25, Leslie Simson 8x25, C. C. Richards 59x125, E. W. Mueller 21x50, Leo Bergin 4x50, E. L. Hedderly 52x75.

Double targets: Hoffmann 16x24, Simson 15x24, F. A. Johnson 12x24, G. L. Becker 12x16, A. H. McFarland 16x24, Tom Bundy 15x24, C. E. Groat 14x24.

Modesto Tournament.—The Owl Rod and Gun Club registered shoot Monday, April 12, was held under adverse weather conditions, a very high wind made shooting very difficult. Eight squads were on the firing line. The printed program called for nine events—200 singles. Event 6, for the Interstate Association trophies, was at 40 birds. The schedule was shot off in 20 bird sections.

Tony Prior, of San Francisco, and J. Plasket, of Modesto, were high amateurs, with 186 out of 200. Guy Lovelace, formerly of Los Angeles, and D. C. Wood, of Modesto, were next up with 183 each, Harry Ogelvie of Lindsay came next with 182.

Dick Reed led the "pros" with 188 out of 200, with Hugh Poston 179, Fred Willet 175, C. H. Knight 173, Lon Hawxhurst 171.

Dave Ruhstaller, of Sacramento, with 19 and 20—39 out of 40, was high gun in Events 6 and 7, announced to carry the Interstate trophies, J. Plasket 20 and 18—38, and D. C. Wood 19 and 19—38, were second high men; Toney Prior, Barney Worthen and Harry Ogelvie tied for third high with 37 each. The scores follow:

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Ttl
Targets—	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	200
W. J. Eilert	15	17	16	18	20	17	16	15	13	16	163
B. H. Worthen	17	20	18	16	17	17	20	16	20	15	177
Guy Lovelace	18	19	18	18	19	17	18	18	18	18	183
O. N. Ford	18	19	17	19	17	17	17	17	19	18	175
C. H. Nash	19	19	18	20	19	18	16	19	13	19	180
G. B. Smith	19	18	19	19	17	19	17	17	16	16	177
W. P. Sears	19	19	18	18	20	14	17	16	19	20	180
Geo. H. Anderson	17	19	17	19	17	13	16	17	17	15	167
H. G. Balkwill	18	18	18	17	17	19	17	19	16	18	177
Geo. Ellis	18	18	17	18	19	17	17	19	19	15	176
T. D. Riley	17	17	17	18	15	17	16	15	16	17	165
A. H. Hudelson	16	14	16	16	16	..	..	..	..	..	78
C. C. Huber	16	17	16	17	17	17	11	16	15	16	158
R. C. Reed*	18	19	20	19	19	19	18	19	17	20	188
Mrs. Ada Schilling	18	19	16	18	18	17	18	17	18	17	176
J. F. Dodds	19	19	19	17	18	19	17	18	15	17	179
L. Simson	17	19	17	18	15	18	14	14	15	17	164
Geo. J. Hoffmann	15	17	18	17	15	18	12	16	16	15	159
W. F. Willet*	16	20	19	19	17	18	17	16	17	16	175
H. E. Poston*	16	20	18	20	17	19	17	16	17	19	178
Tony Prior	18	20	18	20	19	18	19	18	18	18	186
F. K. Burnham	19	19	16	19	17	17	17	15	16	..	155
C. H. Knight*	15	19	16	16	19	15	17	18	19	19	173
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Interstate Association Tournaments—

May 11, 12, 13—The Interstate Association Tenth Southern Handicap Tournament, Memphis, Tenn., under the auspices of the Memphis Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Southern Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

June 15, 16, 17—The Interstate Association's Tenth Western Handicap Tournament, St. Louis, Mo., under the auspices of the Missouri Athletic Association Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Western Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

July 8, 9, 10—The Interstate Association's Tenth Pacific Coast Handicap Tournament, San Diego, Cal., under the auspices of the Pastime Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Pacific Coast Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

August 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chicago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy, and the winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

April 19—Capital City Rod and Gun Club, Mark Siddall, Secretary, Salem, Ore.

April 26, 27—Oregon State Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Ore.

April 28—"T. B." Trap and Gun Club, Lieut. Stephen W. Wallace, Secretary, Las Animas, Colo.

May 5—Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n Tournament, A. R. Bain, Secretary, Springville, Utah.

May 14—Pueblo Gun Club, F. S. Rainey, President, Pueblo, Colo.

May 18, 19—Washington State Tournament, under the auspices of the Seattle Trap Shooters Ass'n, Hugh Fleming, Secretary, Seattle Wash.

May 26, 27—Delta County Gun Club, Nick Powell and R. A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

May 29, 30—Utah State Tournament, under the auspices of the Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n, A. R. Bain, Secretary, Salt Lake City.

May 29, 30, 31—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary, San Jose.

June 3, 4, 5—Annual Tournament of Rocky Mountain Interstate Sportsmen's Association, under auspices of Mile High Gun Club, Wm. M. Bowman, Secretary, Denver, Colo.

June 7, 8, 9—Sportsmen's Ass'n of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Ore.

July 1, 2—Vancouver Gun Club, C. A. Porter, Secretary, Vancouver, Can.

July 5—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President, Eureka, Cal.

July 5—Sunrise Gun Club, H. S. Hill, Secretary, Sunrise, Wyo.

July 5—Holbrook Gun Club, J. S. Hulet, Secretary, Holbrook, Ariz.

July 9, 10—Gem City Gun Club, Max Weick, Secretary, Laramie, Wyo.

July 10—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, W. S. Short, Secretary, Chehalis, Wash.

July 12—Rawlins Rod and Gun Club, H. Breitenstein Secretary, Rawlins, Wyo.

July 12, 13, 14—Los Angeles Gun Club, Fred H. Teeple Secretary, Venice, Cal.

July 19, 20, 21, 22—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary, Tacoma, Wash.

August 10—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

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Rem-U. M. C. Notes.—At the opening of the California trap shooting tournaments recently held at Newman and Modesto, Cal., some splendid scores were made, and shooters using Remington-UMC guns and Arrow factory loaded shells were found to be among the winners.

At Newman, R. C. Reed, with a Remington-UMC Pump gun and Arrow shells won the high professional average with a score of 380 x 400.

O. N. Ford made the same score and won the second amateur average with the same load.

R. C. Reed made the longest run of the tournament, breaking 107 targets straight.

At Modesto on April 12, R. C. Reed also captured first honors with a score of 188 x 200, and J. Plasket of Modesto tied for first amateur average with a score of 186 x 200. D. C. Wood, also of Modesto, won second average with a score of 183, also shooting Remington-UMC, Arrow shells, and Reed and Wood shooting Remington-UMC Pump guns.

It is an interesting fact that the Remington Pump and Auto guns seem to have been very popular with the trapshooters who took part in the Gilbert Cup shoots all over the country. The winners of the following shoots all used Remington guns: St. Cloud Minn., Medford, Okla., Billings, Mont., Terre Haute, Ind., Motley, Minn., Boone, Iowa, Pottsville, Pa., Hutchinson, Kas., and Reading, Pa.

Doings in Dogdom

The Panama-Pacific International Dog Show has received the official sanction of the National Dog Breeders' Association, and winning dogs will be awarded the five championship points of that organization.

In addition to giving its official sanction the National Dog Breeders' Association, through its secretary, W. V. N. Bay, has notified D. O. Lively, chief of the live stock exhibit of the Exposition, under whose jurisdiction the dog show will be held, that it will add the following prizes to those offered by the Exposition, and to be competed for by its members. (Entries by three or more members in each class required for competition.)

Two dollars for winner of first and $1 for second prize in all breed classes.

Twenty dollars for best in show, any breed or class.

Twenty dollars for best sporting dog, either sex.

Twenty dollars for the best non-sporting dog, either sex.

Twenty dollars for kennel of four of one breed, either sex, owned and entered by same exhibitor.

Twenty dollars for best brace (2) of one breed, either sex, owned and entered by same exhibitor.

Twenty dollars for largest entry of one breed by one exhibitor.

The association, though specifying that the additional prizes go to its members only, makes it easy for anybody to acquire membership, thus making its prizes practically free-for-all.

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The 412-mile All-Alaska sweepstake race for dog teams was billed to start Wednesday last from Nome, when half a dozen teams, each made up of from ten to eighteen dogs, drawing a racing sled and driven by the most expert drivers in the North, were to set out on the eighty hours' grind over the snow trail from Nome to Candle and return.

The list of entries was not completed until late Monday night, but already four of the most widely-known drivers in Alaska had entered the race. These are A. A. (Scotty) Allan, who twice has driven the team owned jointly by himself and Mrs. Charles E. Darling of Berkeley, Cal., to victory; Leonard Seppala, Paul Kjegsted and Fred Ayer. John Johnson, whose team of Siberian wolves set the record of 74 hours, 14 minutes and 20 seconds in 1910, and won last year's race in 81 hours and 3 minutes, will not race this year, having taken his dogs to San Francisco last fall. Other drivers who have been developing racing dogs and carefully training them all winter, are expected to post the entry fee before the lists close at midnight.

The purse already amounted early this week to $2,000, that amount having been raised at the kirmiss held last Saturday night. This sum will be swelled considerably, it is expected, by a vaudeville performance given Tuesday night.

Present indications are against lowering the record set by Johnson five years ago. Light snow is falling, and this will have a tendency toward making a slow course.

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ALARICH 2:11¼ (Breeder's mark 2:09), trotter, bay gelding with black points, 15.3, handsome, sound, fast and game; trialed at Santa Rosa last season in 2:06¾ and can do it again. Is a first class doer, can race twice a week and is eligible to the 2:13 class trots on mile tracks and to the 2:18 class on half-mile tracks; has shown well on the twice-arounds. Price, $550.

HELEN BELLE (2) 2:22½, breeder's record, bay filly, foaled 1912, good gaited, good headed, sound and extremely fast; was taken up absolutely green on Sept. 3 and has developed in a most satisfactory manner, taking her mark in December, since which time she has been an eighth in :16, half in 1:09. Sired by California's greatest sire of colt trotters, CARLOKIN 2:07½. First dam Carolyn C. by Axtell (3) 2:12 (a champion); second dam by Expedition, sire of Bon Voyage 2:08; third dam by Princeps (son of Woodford Mamb.); fourth dam by Hambletonian 10.
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CARLETA,
bay filly, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ALEXANDRIA, tr. 2:20, by Bon Voyage 2:08; second dam by Oakland Baron 2:09¼; third dam by Allandorf, etc.
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OMAR, gelding,
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JOHNNY DUGAN,
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6	The Great Eastern Handicap Trotters, 2:01 to 2:25		"	2,000

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All races mile heats—best 3 in 5—races end with 5th heat unless horses be tied for first money, then such horses only shall race an additional heat—money divided 50-25-15 and 10 per cent. Entrance fee five per cent of purse—and five per cent deducted from money winners. Positions will be drawn and assigned horses night before race and so published in Race Program.

Liability of Nominator ceases when written notice declaring out is received by the Association provided all payments then due have been made. Entries in these events are entitled to all time allowances that may be granted by the revised rules of the Grand Circuit or parent associations but such allowances must be claimed when entry is made.

A horse distancing field or any part thereof entitled to one money only.

Payments will be due as follows:

	Apry. 26	May 26	June 26	July 26
No. 1 —Value $5,000	$25	$75	$75	$75
Nos. 2 to 6—Value $2,000	10	30	30	30

Make all checks for entrance money payable to the Yonkers National Bank, Yonkers, New York.

All purses guaranteed, and approved surety bond in the Equitable Surety Co. has been filed with the Grand Circuit for the protection of all persons making entries or racing horses at this meeting.

The Association reserves the right to refuse any entry and to declare off any race. Rules of American Trotting Association to govern, unless otherwise specified. Use official Entry Blanks which show all conditions and which will be supplied upon application to the Association.

J. H. CLARK, Secretary,
NATIONAL FAIR & EXPOSITION ASS'N, INC.,
City Office 107 West 41st St., New York, N. Y

Entries close Monday, April 26, 1915, when all horses must be named.

INFORMATION.

We follow the two weeks meeting at Montreal in the Grand Circuit, and precede the Charter Oak Park meeting at Hartford. Arrangements have been made for the prompt shipping of horses from Montreal to Empire City Park.

Late Closing Purses of value of $1,000 each to suit campaigning horses will be announced later—several startling specials will also be announced.

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SATURDAY, MAY 1st, 1915

Pacific Breeders Futurity Stake No. 14—$7,250

PACIFIC COAST TROTTING HORSE BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

For Foals of 1914 to Trot or Pace at Two and Three Years Old

$3800 FOR TROTTING FOALS $2500 FOR PACING FOALS $600 TO NOMINATORS OF DAMS OF WINNERS
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MONEY DIVIDED AS FOLLOWS:

$2500 for Three-Year-Old Trotters.	$1500 for Three-Year-Old Pacers.
200 to the Nominator of the Dam on whose Original Entry is named the Winner of the Three-Year-Old Trot.	200 to the Nominator of the Dam on whose Original Entry is named the Winner of the Three-Year-Old Pace.
1300 for Two-Year-Old Trotters.	1000 for Two-Year-Old Pacers.
100 to the Nominator of the Dam on whose Original Entry is named the Winner of the Two-Year-Old Trot.	100 to the Nominator of the Dam on whose Original Entry is named the Winner of the Two-Year-Old Pace.
100 to Owner of Stallion, Sire of Winner of Three-Year-Old Trot when mare was bred.	100 to Owner of Stallion, Sire of Winner of Three-Year-Old Pace when mare was bred.

$150 in Special Cash Prizes was paid to Stallion Owners in December, 1913.

ENTRANCE AND PAYMENTS—$2 to nominate mare on December 1, 1913, when name, color, description of mare and stallion bred to must be given; $5 May 1, 1914; $5 November 2, 1914; $10 ON YEARLINGS MAY 1, 1915; $10 on Two-Year-Olds March 1, 1916; $10 on Three-Year-Olds March 1, 1917.

STARTING PAYMENTS—$25 to start in the Two-Year-Old Pace; $35 to start in the Two-Year-Old Trot; $35 to start in the Three-Year-Old Pace; $50 to start in the Three-Year-Old Trot. All starting payments to be made ten days before the first day of the meeting at which the race is to take place.

Nominators must designate when making payments to start whether the horse entered is a Trotter or Pacer.

Colts that start as Two-Year-Olds are not barred from starting again in the Three-Year-Old divisions.

SUBSTITUTIONS.

If a mare proves barren or slips or has a dead foal or twins; or if either the mare or foal dies before May 1, 1916, her nominator may sell or transfer his nomination or substitute another mare or foal, regardless of ownership; but there will be no return of a payment nor will any entry be liable for more than amount paid in or contracted for.

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COPA DE ORO 1:59
WINNING PERFORMANCE

DURFEE'S STALLIONS

CARLOKIN 2:07 1-2
EXHIBITION MILE 2:05 1-4

Champion Pacing Stallion of the West and Sire of a Champion

Reg. No. 52785. Licensed Pure Bred. Cert. No. 1037



Golden Bay. Height 15.3½. Weight 1160.

Sire of CONTENTION B. (2) 2:24¼, (3) 2:08¼, the latter mark a world's record when made, and but one-quarter of a second removed from present record for three-year-old pacing geldings. Public trial (3) 2:07¼. Also sire of

Chango p. (3).....2:12¼	De Ora (3) 2:17
2-yr.-old record 2:13½.	2-yr.-old record 2:27¼.
Trial (3) 2:09	Gold Lily p. (2)....2:24½

Patrick de Oro p (3)2:22¼, trial (3) 2:08¼, ½-mi. track

Copa de Oro has been retired to the stud for but a very few years and these are from his first foals. Where can you find a stallion whose get have made an equal showing?

COPA DE ORO is the fastest son of Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ (sire of 8 in 2:10); first dam Atherine 2:16¾ (great brood mare) by Patron 2:14¼, sire of the dams of 7 in 2:10; second dam Athene (dam of 2 trotters, etc.) by Harold 413, sire of Maud S. 2:08¾ and the dams of 5 in 2:10; third dam Minerva (great brood mare) by Pilot Jr. 12, sire of the dams of Maud S. 2:08¾ and 3 others in 2:10, etc. He is one of the handsomest horses in the world, as well as one of the fastest, and is undoubtedly the best bred of all extremely fast pacing sires. From the first I heralded him as the Coast's future great pacing sire, and the performances of his youngsters recorded above certainly show that I had most excellent grounds for that belief.

Champion Trotter and Champion Sire of Trotters in the West

Reg. No. 36548. Licensed Pure Bred. Cert. No. 1038



Mahogany Bay. Height 15.1½. Weight 1060.

Sire of ESPERANZA (3) 2:09, only three-year-old to win every trotting stake for that age on the Pacific coast, and also the following colt performers:

Ethel D. (3).....2:11	Helen Belle (2)....2:22½
Johnny Dugan p (3)2:16	Nicola B. (2).....2:23½
John Warwick (2) 2:17	Santiago (3) 2:24¼
The Lark (3).....2:18½	May Marian p (3)..2:24¼
Carl (2) 2:19¾	Carlrich p (2) 2:24½
Miss Carlokin p 2:20	El Carbine (2).....2:27½
Carsto (2) 2:22½	Eileen C. (3) 2:29
Carlschen (2) 2:23	Carlos (2) 2:29¼
Fuiton G. (2).....2:30	

CARLOKIN is the best bred son fo McKinney 2:11¼, foremost among the progenitors of 2:10 speed, being out of that sterling producing matron Carlotta Wilkes (dam of Inferlotta 2:04¾, Mary Dillon 2:06¼, Guy Borden 2:07¼, Carlokin 2:07½, and 6 others in 2:30) by Charley Wilkes 3653; second dam Aspasia (dam of 4) by Alcantara 2:23, sire of the dams of 20 in 2:10; third dam Miss Buchanan (dam of 1) by Clark Chief 89, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10, etc. Carlokin was not only a fast and rugged campaigner, but, point for point, one of the most ideal individuals ever foaled. I chose him from among all the best horses of the country as a prospective great sire, and in 1913-1914 his get won more coast futurities than those of all other sires combined. What more could you ask of them?

FEE: $75 For the Season, Usual Return Privilege

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Pleasanton Driving Park

offers for service for the season of 1915 the following stallions:

Joe Patchen II 2:03¼

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 1128.
A. T. R. No. 47491

BEST MONEY WINNING PACER

By JOE PATCHEN 2:01¼, sire of Dan Patch 1:55¼ and 6 others in 2:10.

Dam, Bessie Bonehill 2:05¾ (dam of 2 in 2:10) by Empire Wilkes 2:29¼; second dam Arab Girl (dam of 7) by Crittenden 433, sire of the dams of 6 in 2:10.

Joe Patchen II comes from a long line of famous ancestors and is himself one of the best known and most popular pacers in America, with all the qualities of speed, stamina and individual excellence necessary to the making of a truly great horse—one of the kind you would expect to find after a glance over the array of famous performers owning allegiance to the families from which he comes. He is an excellent breeder, transmitting uniformly his own desirable characteristics and his few foals in California are promising to the highest degree.

Fee for Joe Patchen II or Mahomet Watts, $100 with usual return privilege

Service fee refunded to owners of mares bred to Mahomet Watts proving not with foal.

Mahomet Watts 2:08¼

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 2312.
A. T. R. No. 51518.

AXWORTHY ELECTIONEER

By GEN. WATTS (3) 2:06¾, sire of three three-year-old trotters in 2:10.

Dam Alla P. 2:21¼ (dam of 3) by Palo Alto 2:08¾, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10; second dam Lula Wilkes (dam of 5), by George Wilkes 2:22, sire of the dams of 15 in 2:10.

Mahomet Watts is not only the fastest performer credited to Gen. Watts (3) 2:06¾ (whose breeding on qualities have been prime factors in the rise of the great house of the Axworthys) but he springs on the maternal side from the most firmly established families of champion producers—those of Electioneer and George Wilkes. He is a pleasing individual of fine finish and extreme speed, having a three-year-old record of 2:10 and being timed separately in a race last year in 2:05¼, whose services should be most welcome to California breeders.

Vernon McKinney 2:01½

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 1126.
A. T. R. No. 53803.

FASTEST OF THE McKINNEYS

By GUY McKINNEY 37625, son of McKinney 2:11¼, dam by Guy Wilkes.

Dam Maud Vernon by Mount Vernon 2:15¼, sire of the dam of Leata J. 2:03, etc.; second dam Mag by Gen. McClellan, sire of the dam of Mack Mack 2:08, etc.

No member of the McKinney family excells Vernon McKinney in point of speed or individual excellence. He is a horse of much substance—16 hands, 1200 pounds—bred in lines of intense prolificacy and evidencing in every way his ability to "live up to his pedigree." No horse has greater natural speed or a more effortless way of going. He is a sure breeder and his youngsters are the readiest sellers of their age in California—a statement proven by recent sales and tentative offerings for the get of mares due to foal to him this year.

Zomblack 2:26, tr. 3, 2:08¾

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 1127.
A. T. R. No. 54955

BEST SON OF ZOMBRO

By ZOMBRO 2:11, sire of twenty and the dams of three in 2:10.

Dam, Madeline Marshall (dam of 2) by Demonio 2:11¼, sire of 7 and dam of 1 in 2:10; second dam Mamie Comet (dam of 3) by Nutwood 2:18¾, sire of 2 and dams of 21 in 2:10.

Zomblack is one of the handsomest horses ever foaled in California as well as one of the fastest. His extreme speed came to him early and naturally, and he is unexcelled in size and conformation—an ideal type of the American trotter in every important respect. He is intensely bred in speed producing lines and we have no hesitation in advancing the claim that he is the very best son of Zombro 2:11, in his turn the best son of McKinney. In every instance the families represented in his pedigree are breeding on most successfully.

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The best of care taken of mares in any manner owners may desire, but no responsibility assumed for accidents or escapes. Address for particulars
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Sire of
Wilbur Lou 2:10¼
True Kinney (2) 2:19
21 Standard Performers

Son of McKinney 2:11¼ and Mary Lou 2:17



Dam LOUISE CARTER 3, 2:24

Dam of
Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼
Mamie Alwin 2:12
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WORLD'S CHAMPION YEARLING TROTTING STALLION 1910
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Winner of California State Fair and Pacific Coast Breeders' Association Futurities in 1912. Record in Third Heat of a Winning Race.

Also holder of the World's Record of a Five-Heat Race by a 3-yr.-old Stallion

Limited number of approved mares at $100 the season.

WILBUR LOU was bred to seven (7) mares in 1912 and got seven (7) foals; six (6) were trained, on the property of John Christiansen, of San Francisco, which was said to be the fastest yearling on the Pacific Coast.

The five (5) owned by the Hemet Stock Farm showed as follows:

FIESTA LOU, record 2:25,	half-mile track,	½ mile—1:08¾
SELMA PALEY, trotted	½ mile	1:13¾; one-eighth— :17¾
GOLDSMITH LOU	¼ mile	:35½
GERTRUDE RIVES	¼ mile	:36¾
BILLIE BOYD	¼ mile	:38

This includes the entire get of WILBUR LOU.

KINNEY de LOPEZ 2:23,

Son of KINNEY LOU 2:07¾ and BETSY DIRECT by Direct 2:05½

$50 THE SEASON

KINNEY DE LOPEZ is the sire of DON DE LOPEZ, trial one-half as a yearling 1:13¾, one-eighth 17½ seconds; could have trotted in standard time as a yearling. KINNEY DE LOPEZ is certain to sire early speed.

Terms: Cash at time of service with usual return privilege, or money refunded at our option. Excellent pasturage and best of care taken of mares, but no responsibility assumed for accidents or escapes.

BREED TO THE COAST'S CHAMPION CAMPAIGNER AND FUTURITY SIRE



JIM LOGAN 2:01¾

(3) 2:05½, world's record to 1912 and yet the fastest third heat ever paced by stallion of that age; (5) 2:04¼, (6) 2:03¼, (7) 2:02¾, (8) 2:01¾, race record for Pacific Coast.

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 1028.

All winning race records. Registry No. 44997.

Sire of MAXINE (3) 2:15 Winner Pacing Division Pacific Breeders Futurity 1914

Trial in 2:09, half in 1:01, quarter in :29 as a three-year-old.

Son of CHARLES DERBY 2:20, brother to Klatawah (3) 2:05½, etc., and sire of TEN in 2:10.

Dam, EFFIE LOGAN, California's greatest producer of extreme speed (dam of Jim Logan 2:01¾, Sir Albert S. 2:03¾, and Dan Logan 2:07½, sire of John Malcolm (2) 2:11½, champion two-year-old of 1913), by Durfee 11256; second dam Ripple, by Prompter 2305, sire of the dam of Gratt 2:02¼, etc.; third dam Grace (dam of Daedalion 2:08½, Creole 2:15 and Eagle 2:19½), by Buccaneer 2656, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10; fourth dam Mary, great broodmare, by Flaxtail.

JIM LOGAN is not only a horse of most acceptable size and pleasing conformation, but is one of the most rugged campaigners ever raced. After acquiring a world's record as a three-year-old he reduced his record every year raced and is a sound horse today—no more eloquent testimony of his genuine natural qualities could be given. Of his very few living foals, every one trained has shown speed in convincing quantity, and the only one to be raced, Maxine (3) 2:15, began her career as a futurity winner. Could you ask more of a well bred horse than that he be a champion campaigner and transmit his qualities to his get?

In the stud, season of 1915, at Woodland Race Track

FEE: $50 for season, with usual return privilege, or $75 to insure living colt. Fees payable at time of service or before removal of mares. Excellent pasture at $5 per month, with best of care for mares, though no responsibility will be assumed for accidents or escapes. Call at race track, or address
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The only son of Jay McGregor 2:07¼ on the Pacific Coast, and the only stallion in California whose sire and dam both have records faster than 2:10.



Onward McGregor

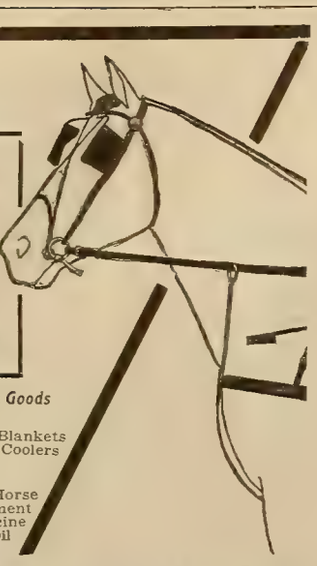
TROTTING RECORD (3) 2:23¼.
YEARLING TRIAL QUARTER IN :33.

Bay horse, black points. Height 16 hands, weight 1100 lbs. Licensed Non-Standard, Cert. No. 24.

First dam MARY GORDON 2:09¾ by GORDON 3127 (son of Onward 2:25¼); second dam Nell by Young Octoroon, sire of Shadow (dam of 4 and grandam of Peter the Great 2:07¼. J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, etc.) Will make a limited season of 20 mares at Pleasanton Driving Park at $35 with usual return privilege. Every mare bred to him this year will be nominated in the Breeders and State Fair Futurities for foals of 1916 and first payment made by his owner. Address for all particulars

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From the family of Bingen 2:06¼, foremost among present day champions of all ages and gaits.

Son of **The Exponent 2:11¾** (by Bingen, dam Iva Dee by Onward 2:25¼), sire of 32 performers including The Temptress 2:08½, 6 three-year-olds, 20 two-year-olds and 1 yearling.

First dam **Chord 2:27** (dam of 4) by Wilkes Boy 2:24½, sire of 4 and the dams of 11 in 2:10; second dam **Sonata** (dam of 3) by Dictator 113, sire of 2 and the dams of 7 in 2:10; third dam **Cadenza** (dam of 2) by King Rene 1278, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10; fourth dam **Virgie Wilkes** (dam of 4) by Geo. Wilkes 2:22, sire of the dams of 16 in 2:10.

In the stud, season of 1915, at Pleasanton Driving Park, at $50 the season with return privilege. We have colts in training to show his qualities as a sire. Grandsons of Bingen are siring champions such as Etawah 2:03½, Anna Bradford (3) 2:00¾, etc. Address for all particulars,

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Grandly Bred A Colt Trotter A Proven Sire

Bon McKinney 51480



Cal. State License. Pure Bred No. 1213.

Three-year-old record 2:24½; trial (3) 2:15, 1:05.

Sire of

Bon Courage (2) 2:12¾ **Bon Bell (3) 2:17¾**

Son of **BON VOYAGE 2:08** and **DAPHNE McKINNEY** (dam of Frank N. 2:07¾, etc.), by McKinney 2:11¼; second dam La Moscovita (dam of Bon Guy (3) 2:11¾ and 2 others) by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼; third, fourth and fifth dams also in great brood mare list. Bay horse, in every respect a great individual, with substance, finish, and natural, frictionless trotting action. Very sure foal getter and a steadily rising young sire, his few foals possessing his most excellent qualities to a marked degree. Bon Courage was the only California bred three-year-old to win a heat from Esperanza in 1914.

In the stud, season of 1915, at the **Rush & Haile Ranch, Suisun, Cal.**, season closing August 1st. **Fee, $25 with return privilege,** payable cash at time of removal of mare. Good pasturage at $2.50 per month. For further particulars address

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Derbertha Bells



Licensed Pure Bred, Cert. No. 1172.

NO. 60907 A. T. R. RULE 1.

DERBERTHA BELLS, foaled 1911, stands 15.3, weighs 1200 pounds, and is of magnificent conformation, style, trotting action and color; being a solid dark bay or brown with splendid mane and tail, massive well-formed limbs and feet, beautiful neck and head, fine, well set ear and eye as kindly as a fawn's and as courageous as a lion's. His breeding can only be hinted at here as he traces 20 times to Hambletonian 10—5 through Electioneer, 5 through George Wilkes, 4 through Strathmore and 4 through Abdallah 15 (the big four of the sons of Hambletonian), and twice through his daughters. This breeding is perfectly balanced by 18 crosses to Mamb. Chief 11—5 of these through his greatest son Mamb. Patchen 58 (leading progenitor of the dams of trotting sires), backed up by 2 crosses to Pilot Jr. 12, 4 to Black Hawk 5, 4 to Imp. Trustee and crosses to such other famous broodmare sires as American Star, The Moor, A. W. Richmond, Williamson's Belmont, etc.

I challenge any man to name a stallion with a broodmare inheritance approaching that of Derbertha Bells,—5 crosses to Green Mountain Maid (dam of 9 and Electioneer), 3 to Alma Mater (dam of 8 and 7 sires, including Alcyone and Alcantara), and 1 each to Miss Russell (dam of 7, including Maud S. 2:08¾ and 6 sires, including Nutwood), Dolly (dam of 4 and 5 sires, including Director, Onward and Thorndale), Beautiful Bells (dam of 11, including 4 world's champions and 10 sires) and Minnehaha (dam of 8 and 6 sires). These are pre-eminently the greatest mares of history in point of number of descendants in the standard list, besides 2 crosses to Bertha, the only mare with 2 in 2:04½, 5 in 2:10 and 13 in the list. Counting duplicates this pedigree contains the blood of 20 mares with an average of 9 performers each, and of the 14 mares appearing in the pedigree of two or more 2:10 trotters in 1910 this pedigree contains 8.

His disposition and deportment are in perfect harmony with his superlative breeding and conformation, all that could be desired. I own a yearling filly by him that stamps him as a sire of the first rank, and I invite the most critical inspection both of him and his get. He will be allowed a few choice mares at $25.00 the season with usual return privilege. Tabulated pedigree upon request.

J. W. PENDLETON, Owner,
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Peter The Great

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HIS SON

PETER McKLYO 3, 2:12 1-2

Cal. State License Pure Bred 2339

will make the season of 1915 in the training stable of James Thompson at the **San Jose Driving Park** beginning March 15 and ending July 1.

PETER McKLYO (3) 2:12½, the only California-owned son of Peter the Great of an age permitting stud duty, is out of a great-bred young matron by Jay McGregor 2:07¼—Klyo (2) 2:29½; second dam Miss Spears 2:21¾ (dam of 6 including Shakespeare (3) 2:09¾); third dam Medium's Last (dam of 7 including Trampfast (2) 2:14¼); fourth dam Suzanne (dam of 1 and grandam of 10 including Susie J. 2:06½).

This colt is four years old, having obtained his record last season with a very limited amount of work. He came into my hands perfectly green in February, 1914, and developed speed so fast that I had to take his shoes off and jog him for two months barefooted. Being by Peter the Great, the sire of the century, and, as you will notice, out of a daughter of Jay McGregor, another wonderful family of horses, he is one of the best bred young horses in the world and I can truthfully say he is one of the very best individuals that I ever had the pleasure of looking at. He can trot a quarter in 30 seconds, and I am firmly of the opinion that he will trot a mile this fall in 2:06 or better.

Fee, $75 the season with return privilege. Mares pastured at usual rates and accorded best of care, but no responsibility assumed for accidents or escapes. Service fee and pasture bills must be paid before removal of mares. Address for all particulars

L. H. TODHUNTER, Owner, Sacramento, Cal. JAMES THOMPSON, San Jose Driving Park, San Jose, Cal.



EXPRESSIVE MAC 2:25 1-2

A. T. R. No. 41513 Licensed Pure Bred, Cert. No. 1041.

Clara Mac 2:04½ Sire of **Vera Hal 2:05**

Only stallion in California to sire a new 2:05 performer in 1914, and one of three stallions in U. S. to sire two new ones in 2:05 that season.

Also sire of Madam Mac (4) 2:10¼, trial 2:07; Eddy Mac (3) 2:29½, trial 2:13; Nellie Mac, trial 2:18 trotting, good for 2:10 this year, and numerous others with fast trials. In four show classes at Fresno his colts won three firsts, one second.

Son of **McKINNEY 2:11¼** and the great brood mare **EXPRESSIVE 2:12½** by **ELECTIONEER 125.** Ideal in color, size and conformation—seal brown, height 16½ hands, weight 1275 pounds. Permanently in the stud at my ranch three miles south of Selma, at **$25 the season,** usual return privilege, or **$35 to insure.** Good pasture for mares at $2 per month and best of care given. No responsibility assumed for accidents or escapes. Address for all particulars

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Offers for Service for the Season of 1915

PRINCE ANSEL

CERT. 1062

2, 2:20½ A. T. R. 29220

Sire of
Prince Lot 2:07¾
Joseph Ansel (3) 2:12¾
Lottie Ansel (2) 2:14¼
Laura Rogers 2:11¼
Adansel (3) 2:14½
Arista Ansel (2) 2:18¼, etc.
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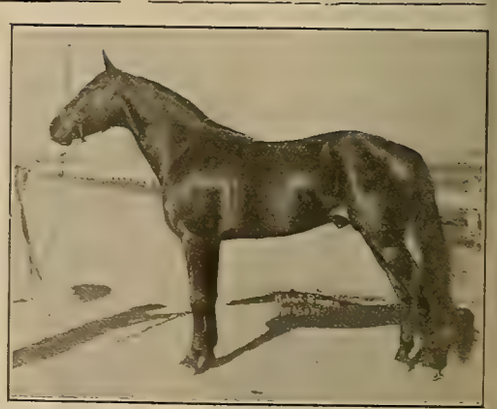
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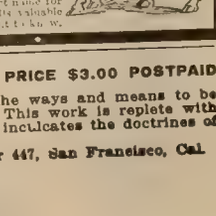
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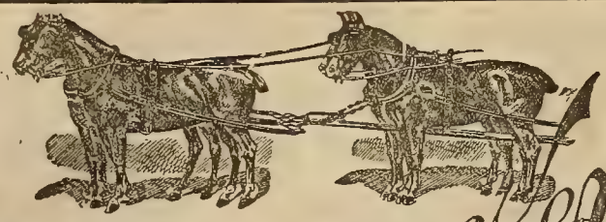
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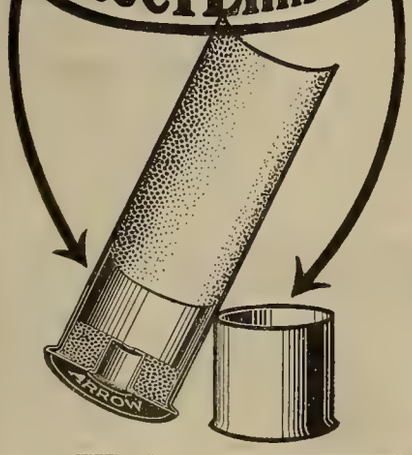
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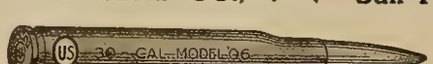
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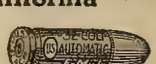
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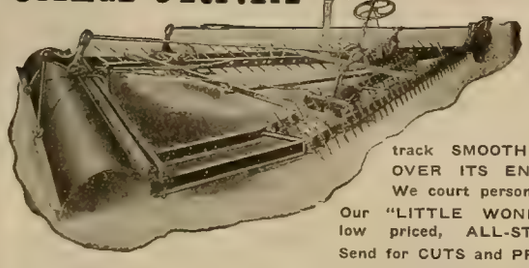
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Breeders having nominations in the Pleasanton Futurity are reminded that there will be a payment due on the same on May first.

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Elmo Montgomery has Effie Logan at Woodland, looking much younger than she really is, and will breed her to Robert Bingen 2:11¼.

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Harvey Skaggs of Portland has taken Dean Swift 2:08 to Edmonton for another campaign over the prairie tracks. He is entered in the fall meeting at the exposition.

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Expressive Mac 2:25½ had served thirty-one mares up to April 18th. Pretty good for one stud horse at this season in any year, let alone a "dry one" in the breeding business.

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Anvilite, the Anvil—Martha Spy two-year-old in the MacKenzie stable, went the route lately in 2:25¾, last half in 1:10 and the quarter in :32½. What price against him in the two-year-old trot in June?

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Peter McCormick 2:08¾—not only in a race but in a recent workout at Pleasanton. It sure knocks the tar out of these eastern horses to cross the mountains, eh? Fleeta Dillon is beating 2:10, too, so there's another good one plumb, teetotaciously sp'iled by the ship.

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Tom Corbett of this city, one of the best known men in general sport circles on the Pacific Coast, died last Friday at his home here after an illness of nine days from heart disease. The funeral services were held Sunday morning and were widely attended by men and women from all walks of life.

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Cleo Dillon (3) 2:13¼, winner of the three-year-old trotting division of the Breeders' Futurity at Chico in 1908, has been sent by her owner, E. A. Gammon of Hood, Cal., to Woodland to be bred to Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½. She is suckling a fine stake prospect by L. H. Todhunter's good son of Peter the Great 2:07¼—Peter McKlyo (3) 2:12½.

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G. D. Armstead, proprietor of the Hotel Reynolds at Riverside and one of the good friends of the light harness game at that point, has the pacing mare Petty McKinney in training in the stable of O. E. Folk and recently jogged her a half in 1:03 for his own pleasure and "just to see how she did it." That Riverside track is a bear, and you will doubtless note some horses there of exactly that same class.

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General C. C. Watts of Charleston, W. Va., was among the visitors in the city last week, also making a trip to Pleasanton as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charley DeRyder to see his horses Mahomet Watts 2:08¼ and Twinkling Dan 2:06¼, with whose performances he is much pleased. The General was enthusiastic in expressing his regard for the work done at Pleasanton by Mr. MacKenzie, and also derived a great deal of pleasure from his visits at the exposition, which, of course, included trips to the livestock department and the race track. All met with his hearty approval and he prophesies a great success for the harness meetings in June and November.

Teddy Bear's mile Sunday in 2:08¾ makes him look like a pretty fair pacer for this year's 2:08 class—and Potrero Boy was right there, with John Malcolm in the immediate vicinity.

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Tom Gahagan, the syndicate turf writer, writes from Detroit that he expects to arrive in San Francisco early in May and commence his duties in connection with wising up the easterners on horses, horsemen and horse races at the exposition.

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Carey Montgomery has a new race horse at his ranch near Davis, a stud colt by Jim Logan 2:01¾ out of Lela H. L. 2:24¼ (dam of Kinney H. 2:22) by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, grandam Liska 2:28¼ (dam of six) by Electioneer 125. The mare will be bred this season to Jim Logan 2:01¾. The blood of Nutwood Wilkes and Charles Derby has been crossed very successfully in the past, and Carey expects a "real hoss" from these matings.

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Tom McInerney, one of the best known caretakers on the coast, on the staff at Woodland Stock Farm last fall and employed more recently at the P.-P. I. E., has been confined at the Lane Hospital, this city, for some time with a badly crushed foot, the result of Tom's getting tangled up in the path of a motor truck while at work. The lanky lad is still wearing a plaster cast and will not be out ofthe hospital for a few days, but has come around in nice shape and expects to be a "husky" again in a few weeks.

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Just before Dr. Farnum's death, Geo. L. Brown of Ferndale had negotiated for a young thoroughbred stallion, which he took possession of reently and removed to his home, where he will be in service and also be raced a bit locally. He is a good colt and a well bred fellow and should be popular in his new home, as he is a son of Marse Abe and Tollytot by St. Carlo, with the next several dams by Rutherford, Woodburn, Ringgold, Cook's Whip and Duke of Bedford, respectively.

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Business kept Charley DeRyder in the city parts of several days of late, the journey back and forth between Pleasanton and Oakland being made on each occasion by means of the big Lozier car, with Mrs. DeRyder as companion, mechanician and speed gauge. Charley watches the road and his better half keeps her eye on the indicator; whenever it registers over eighty miles she nudges Charley in the ribs and that worthy takes back to a more dignified and less hurried gait in the neighborhood of only sixty or seventy miles "per."

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J. W. Pendleton of Oakland reports that on April 15 Abbie McNutward by Guy McKinney foaled a slashing big black colt by Derbertha Bells that would be a credit to any parentage, the young fellow being christened Bertrey Bells in honor of Beautiful Bells and Bertha, to the latter of which he traces three times. On April 18 Beautiful Bertha by Moormont also foaled a black colt, this one by Rapallo and named Louniska Berbells, a combination of the names of four of the great matrons that appear in his pedigree—Lou Milton, Oniska, Bertha and Beautiful Bells. Both youngsters are staked in the coast futurities and will go to some first class speed factory when the proper time arrives.

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Wednesday night's meeting of the California Driving Club witnessed little business save the payment of bills and the election and installation of officers, no definite plan of racing for the season being adopted, though it is probable that the two clubs will alternate in the use of the P.-P. I. E. track for their weekly events. Pressure of business caused some changes in the ticket voted on from the original nominations, the following gentlemen being selected to guide the destinies of the club for the ensuing year: President, D. E. Hoffman; Vice-President, E. M. Doyle; Second Vice-President, Joe Kidd; Treasurer, Al Hoffman; Secretary, Luke Marisch; Starter, Wm. Higginbottom; Board of Directors, J. A. McKerron, I. B. Dalziel, J. V. Galindo, D. Keating, Fred Thompson.

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R. D. Mayes of Dixon, who was the best buyer at the Woodland sale, is a young gentleman who is well known in other branches of sport and whose advent into the trotting game is warmly welcomed. For some time he was a generous patron of the manufacturers of autos, having owned a number of high priced racing cars, but his inclinations ran to a sport in which there was less element of risk to the spectators and he decided on the trotter. Madeline Marshall, for which he topped the sale, is a grand type of brood mare, for a newcomer to the game to purchase—a fine individual, a proven producer, in foal to Robert Bingen 2:11¼—and her fame will doubtless be enhanced this year through the performance of the good horse Zomblack. The True Kinney—Ella J. yearling for which he paid $300 is also the right kind and has shown some very convincing speed. He started in trotting for Harry Dowling and had negotiated eighths in 24 seconds, when he rolled over into a pace, and came very fast at that gait, stepping an eighth the only time he was given his own way about it in 19 seconds. Mr. Mayes can afford to indulge his tastes for any branch of sport he fancies, and we hope that in his new venture he will not only meet with financial success but derive a great deal of personal satisfaction and pleasure from the same.

The half-mile heat races on the May Day program at Dixon have from five to eight entries. Some time, folks, some time.

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They are preparing for a great day at Dixon next Saturday at the annual May Day celebration, and as usual the horse races will play a big part, the entries being as follows: 2:20 trot—Healaini, Gracie S., Verne Antie, Future Tramp, and an unnamed trotter from Loren Daniels' stable; 2:20 pace—Sad Sam, John Mc., Palitia, Lottie D., Marie, Louvre, Donald and Oro Mo; free-for-all—Della H., Alton S., Vera Hal, Star Tilden and Teddy Bear, in addition to which there will be a relay race with four entries of three horses each. The usual crowd from this city and other bay points will be on deck, as May Day at Dixon is an honored institution regardless of what other attractions may be holding forth.

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Two years ago this fall at Santa Rosa a mighty good looking green pacer won a heat from Guy Borden, breaking into the records officially as "Booze, b. g. 2:07¼," no information being forthcoming as to his pedigree. He has always been too good to have been one of the "Topsey" kind that "just grew," and the writer did a little "sleuthing" at Sacramento and can offer the following as authentic: "Booze, b. g. 2:07¼, by Dupe, dam by Bay Bird 8874, grandam by Knight 2:22½." This makes another 2:10 performer to be credited with All Style 2:10 to daughters of Bay Bird, but it is not probable that Dupe's 2:10 list will grow much. That boy was, or rather is, a son of Stanton Wilkes 2:10½ (to which horse Booze has sometimes been credited, erroneously), but as a stallion was such a mean horse to handle that he was castrated and is, according to Sacramento report, at present a member of a four or six horse freight team there in the valley.

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A camel, according to the popular idea, is not an animal that is given greatly to levity or to vocal expressions of hilarity, but if a certain member of the tribe could have been at Woodland last Thursday, he (or maybe it is a she) would undoubtedly have burst into a ribald cachinnation that would have made the rollicking laughter of a coyote resemble the dead march. The ship of the desert referred to is the long suffering beast upon which "Wee Willie" Van Atta, the three hundred and sixty pound runt of the San Francisco Association of David Harums, made his recent memorable cruise of the Streets of Cairo on the Joy Zone. It was a stormy voyage for the old craft and she staggered in the trough of the big seas under her heavy deck load and threatened to burst her seams at any moment. However, port was made at last and the cargo discharged, only for the owners to discover that the hump was on the wrong side of the vertebra—a grievous damage that caused her to be laid away in the estuary for several days, for who, pray tell, would cruise on a ship of the desert minus a hurricane deck? And now we come to the point that would have been a graphic portrayal for the "Rejuvenation of Aunt Mary" could she (or maybe it was a he) have been there to take it in. Be it known that Bill has reformed and retired from active service in the marts of trade—horse trade—only buying one when the opportunity is just naturally too good to let pass, and he was in attendance at the Woodland sale in a purely social way, not in the least professionally, or what John Splann might term "horsedealerologically." Manager Dowling, to afford his crowd some amusement along with their bargains, had arranged with the dusky vaquero, Jesse Stahl, for a bit of broncho twisting in which Bill took a lively interest, being himself an equestrian of some accomplishments—as witness his dare-devil performance at the Streets of Cairo. Jesse and a chestnut work horse that evidently had taken the Keeley against being ridden had all the track and were putting up a nice performance, vociferously advised by Bill, who occupied most of the draw gate. Suddenly something happened—Jesse's spurs came together in mid air rather than safely under his bronc's ribs, and the glad spring sunshine glinted merrily on the soles of his number tens as he plowed a furrow in the good footing of the track. Jesse quit riding but the bronc didn't quit pitching—not him. He picked out Bill as his meat and made for him like a submarine after a merchantman. Bill didn't run—he simply pushed the self starter, threw in the high gear and left there, with the bronc camping right on his heels like a lead-horse. When Bill dodged the bronc dodged, and just as something serious seemed inevitable Bill let out another burst of speed and made the office door. Fortunately it was open or the carpenters would have had a job of repairs next day, for the impact of the Weighty William against a closed door would have taken it off the hinges or knocked the blamed shack over. There is a story that is a classic around the local yards concerning the historic occasion upon which Fred Lowery inveigled Bill into trying to milk a cross-grained cow over at the ranch behind Alameda, but if both events could be staged over Bill would simply pass himself in his last Thursday's form. If anyone wants to bet you that a real fat man can't run fast, just rustle around and make a little gathering composed of yourself, your betting friend, a stakeholder, Bill, a coon named Jesse Stahl and a certain mild-eyed chestnut gelding with collar galls on his shoulders. Then bet your money wide open, without a copper from soda to hock and call the turn for the works! You needn't even be bothered about splits!

Sierra Vista Stock Farm

Some seven or eight years ago there came to Southern California perforce of circumstances a young gentleman of moderate means and uncertain health, Revel Lindsay English by name, previously a musician by profession and a horseman by inclination. California, with her customary disdain of conventionalities and precedents in some modes of procedure, set about a transformation that has resulted in restoring the gentleman to the best of health and giving to the coast a successful professional horseman and an accomplished amateur musician—a "reversal of form" with a vengeance.

Near Chino, San Bernardino county, thirty miles east of Los Angeles, Mr. English obtained a tract of some thirteen hundred acres, embracing land admirably adapted for both farming and grazing, designating it, in honor of its scenic setting, the Sierra Vista Stock Farm. Draft horses, trotters, saddlers, registered Holstein cattle and other livestock have been produced with profit, but it is for the saddle horse that Mr. English has the greatest love and natural adaptability, and it is in the breeding of this family that he has met with the greatest success. Prior to his migration to the west, he had purchased in Missouri the stallion Highland Squirrel King, one of the "show me" state's very best representatives of the famous family of the Denmarks, and with this son of Forest King and a select band of brood mares he began the operations that have stamped him as the most successful breeder of the gaited saddler on the Pacific coast.

Mr. English chose most wisely in his foundation stock, the animals selected being not only prize winners in their own right, but of such potency of blood that a reproduction of prize winners has followed as a natural course. Highland Squirrel King, in the eight years that he has been under the present ownership, has never been unplaced in a show class, winning the blue in eighty-three out of ninety-one shows, one of the signal victories of last season for himself and his clan being at Sacramento in the event for stallions and four of their get.

In 1913 there was staged at Sacramento the first futurity ever given for saddle horses, officially known as Futurity No. One of the Pacific Coast Gaited Saddle Horse Association, the winner being returned in Mr. English's chestnut colt San Jacinto by Highland Squirrel King, the lad following up this showing by winning the junior championship and sweepstakes at the state fair in 1914. The farm also won the futurity last year with the undefeated Highland Lucia, also winner at the state fair of the classes for three-year-old mares and combination mares of any age. The farm's premier is also the sire of the three gaited mare Edith Adams shown thirteen times in 1914, and thirteen times awarded the blue. For this year's futurity Mr. English is fitting the three-year-old colt Del Monte Denmark by Prince Arthur, and will also show, from the produce of Sierra Vista Farm, the two-year-olds Hazel Simmons, Bellmarillis and Rey El Sierra Vista, rounding out his stable with recruits from a great band of saddlers recently acquired. Encouraged by his former successes and confident concerning the future popularity of the gaited saddler on the coast, Mr. English made a spring trip to the central west and brought back with him a number of exceptionally choice animals, his selections including the following:

Roya McDonald, five-year-old mare by Rex McDonald;

King of the Highlands, seven-year-old chestnut stallion by Judge Collins, carrying the blood of Black Squirrel, Black Eagle, Dave Akin, Messenger Chief, Denmark, etc.; a magnificent big fellow, sixteen hands, twelve hundred pounds, with the lightest of action and great style, a representative type;

Jurist, three-year-old colt by Bourbon's Best, tracing on his sire's side to Bourbon Chief, Latham's Denmark, Imp. Bellfounder and Indian Chief, while his first three dams are daughters of Chester Dare, Coleman's Eureka and Black Squirrel, respectively, his fourth dam being the famous old-time mare Drue Allen by Star Denmark; a red chestnut fellow, all style and action; first in weanling and yearling classes, Kentucky State Fair, and never beaten in the show ring.

Tourist Peavine, yearling colt by Dr. Hockaday, best bred son of Rex Peavine, sire of the world's champion mare Hazel Dawn; Tourist Pearvine's dam is Queen Polly (sister to Forest King, sire of Highland Squirrel King), so the youngster carries a great infusion of famous blood, tracing to such sires as Rex Peavine, Rex McDonald, Peavine 85, Squirrel King, Artist, Montrose, Gray Eagle and Black Hawk;

Confidence, four-year-old chestnut gelding by Rex Chief A. (sire of Lee Chief, Missouri's champion junior mare, 1914, recently sold for $2,500), dam by the Morgan stallion Charles Reade;

Helen Idlewood, seven-year-old black mare, one of the best ever bred in Missouri; by Rex McDonald, dam Ruby Cason by Ernest B., can trot or single-foot faster than a three-minute-gait and was a most consistent winner in the hottest kind of company in 1914.

L. S. Rollins, formerly of Missouri, who has been with Sierra Vista farm "off and on" during the greater part of its existence, accompanied Mr. English on his buying trip and returned with the new purchases to assist in preparing all the Sierra Vista entrants for the exposition shows and coast fairs. The farm drew thirty-five firsts (including three- and five-gaited championships), five seconds and three thirds out of forty-one shows at the California State Fair in 1914, a wonderful record which Messrs. English and Rollins hope to equal or eclipse at the P.-P. I. E. Whether or not they do either, it is a safe prophecy that California's reputation as a producer of gaited saddlers will be ably sustained at their hands, no matter what kind of hot company is afforded by the visitors.

The matrons at Sierra Vista have been selected with much care and thought, as the performances of their produce amply attest, and include such well known individuals as Thelma H. by Gloster Denmark; Levia (from Gen. J. B. Castleman's establishment in Kentucky) by Blue Grass Hambletonian; Leonora (dam of the futurity winner San Jacinto) by Dick Taylor; Lizzie Cromwell (dam of The Moor, sold for $7,500, and Del Monte Denmark, Mr. English's candidate for this season's futurity) by Harrison Chief, this being the famous show mare bred and exhibited with such success by Gen. Castleman at Madison Square Garden and other eastern shows; also the aristocratic lady recently purchased in Missouri, The Matron by Wilson's King. The Matron is pronounced by competent judges to be the ideal type of a saddle horse brood mare, and considerable elation is felt at her new home over the fact that on April 12th she foaled a beautiful filly by Grand McDonald.

In the few years of its existence, Sierra Vista Stock Farm has become the west's leading establishment of its kind, and its continued success is, by the enterprise and intelligent endeavor of its proprietor, amply assured. The gaited saddler is rapidly rising in favor, and from Sierra Vista in future years will come not only large numbers of the best saddlers in daily use in the city parks, but the winners of show classes not only at home but abroad. Practically every class of horses has shown improvement when transplanted and further developed in a California environment, and with eastern prize winners to build on it does not seem that it would be asking too much of Mr. English in requesting that he make good for us on the foregoing prediction. This much is certain—that if he does fail to substantiate our claims it will not be for want of trying, and trying constantly and well.

DOWN IN THE BLUE GRASS.

The sale of McGrathiana Farm, which took place last week to C. B. Shaffer of Chicago, will, in all likelihood, result in establishing one of the most important studs of light harness horses in Kentucky, as the new owner of this famous estate is determined to have the best that is obtainable, and, in addition to beautifying the place, building elaborate improvements and making it in every way a thoroughly appointed nursery for the light harness horse, every effort will be made to collect the best stallions and mares that money can buy.

McGrathiana, next to Woodburn, is the most noted farm in Kentucky where thoroughbreds of great capacity have been produced. It was founded many years ago by Price McGrath and continued by his successor, Milton Young, through a period covering considerably over a quarter of a century. Here it was that Hanover was brought, after his racing career was over, and here the famous son of Hindoo and Bourbon Belle, by Bonnie Scotland, became as famous as a sire as he was as a race horse. For several years it has been used for farming purposes, and, as much of the soil has been turned over and the land replenished, it is today in prime condition for the purpose for which it is intended. Mr. Shaffer has recently bought Bergen 2:06¾, by Bingara, out of Russia by Kremlin 2:07¾, a cross that has produced Baden 2:05¼ and several others of real racing ability.

Mr. Shaffer has, within the last six months, bought several high-class broodmares, and has in training at the Lexington track in the stable of J. O. McAllister, Miss Rilda 2:08½, a candidate for the rich prizes of the year; Richman (2) 2:08¾, the champion two-year-old pacing gelding; Sis Bingen, by Bingen, out of Sis Directum by Directum 2:05¼, a filly which, in her yearling form, was one of the real stars of the Lexington track. Miss Rilda, a mare of great speed and last autumn up to a mile in 2:07, is by Peter the Great and represents the very best type of this extraordinary tribe. Sis Bingen is an exquisitely turned filly, and is probably the fastest trotter of her age sired by the greatest of modern progenitors.

McGrathiana Farm is about four miles from Lexington, on the Newtown pike, and contains a little over eight hundred acres. It lies in the richest section of the Blue Grass region, much of it being land that has no superior, either for grazing or farming purposes. While it has, in the past, been noted as a nursery for the thoroughbred, it now takes its place as a breeding farm for trotters. The former owner of McGrathiana, Milton Young, dealt extensively in thoroughbreds, and nowhere was there to be found a shrewder horseman than he, a better judge of individuality, or one whose influence was more widely felt in the affairs of the running turf. The farm's recent owners, the Beasley brothers, priced it a few months ago to one of the most extensive breeders of thoroughbreds in this country, and had the negotiations then pending resulted in a sale, it would now be the home of the famous stallions Colin, Disguise and Ultimus, for the prospective buyer was at that time none other than Price McKinney, the namesake of its founder, Price McGrath, and the most extensive purchaser at the closing out sale of the estate of the late James R. Keene. With the exception of Castelton, it has been the most noted breeding establishment for thoroughbreds in this state, since the days in which Woodburn sent forth many of the greatest race horses ever foaled.

After a lapse of years, in which the farm has been used for the production of tobacco and other products, it will take its place as an establishment from which may come colt trotters of early and extreme speed, and great race horses at maturity. If the present plans of the new owner are carried out, McGrathiana will soon become one of the most beautiful estates in Kentucky, rivaling, perhaps, in this respect, Walnut Hall and Elmendorf. Mr. Shaffer, no matter what results may follow his breeding ventures, will never have cause to regret the purchase of this noted farm, for while he paid a liberal price for its broad acres, its value will be enhanced as the years go by, as nowhere in America can there be found more productive soil than in this favored section.

At Curles Neck Farm, several foals by the champion, The Harvester 2:01, have arrived, as well as a few by other stallions, and the number exceeds that of the youngsters reported by the majority of Kentucky establishments of the same size. The Harvester colts and fillies are nine in number, up to April 3, and include a bay colt, out of Queensland 2:19¼ by Bingen 2:06¼; a black colt out of Gazeta 2:06 by Admiral Dewey 2:04¾, the property of Andrew W. Smith of New York; a bay filly out of Baroness Jay 2:20¼ by Jay McGregor 2:07¼; a bay filly out of Gertrude Dillon 2:10½ by Sidney Dillon; a bay filly out of Violette A. (4) 2:18¼ by Red Medium; a bay filly out of Bernice R. 2:07¼ by Dexter Prince; a bay colt out of Zarrine (4) 2:07¼ by Silent Brook 2:16½; a roan filly out of Baroness Evelyn (3) 2:12¾ by Baron Review 2:21¼. Caracas, by Bingen, has foaled a bay colt by Justice Brooke (3) 2:08½, Baroness Virginia (3) 2:08¼, a bay colt by Silent Brigade (2) 2:10¾, and Nonnie Moko by Moko, a black filly by Silent Brigade.

The Kentucky-bred foals by The Harvester are invariably a fine looking lot, and it will be interesting to watch the careers of the colts and fillies from Virginia and the Blue Grass, and to compare their merits. Edward A. Tipton, the manager of Curles Neck Farm, has had many years of experience as an executive, as well as a buyer of blood stock, and no one knows more than he of the best manner of caring for and rearing young foals. He was responsible for much of the success of the breeding ventures of the late Marcus Daly, having purchased a great number of thoroughbred and trotting mares and stallions for Bitter Root Farm. Virginia has produced many very high-class race horses, particularly runners, and with the opportunities afforded at the superb estate on the James, the results should be all that are anticipated. While Kentucky is somewhat jealous of her reputation as a nursery for trotters, so great have been the successes in less favored sections, that surely her mother state, Virginia, should be but little behind in the production of trotters of great merit, especially in view of the fact that at the home of the champion stallion there is a band of mares equal to any in the land.

One of the most phenomenal youngsters at the Lexington track is a yearling filly by The Northern Man 2:06½, out of Mary Louise 2:27, by J. J. Audubon 2:19, and consequently a half sister to the champion three-year-old pacer Anna Bradford 2:00¾. Although this filly has but just begun to take her first lessons in active training, she shows more speed than did her famous half sister at the same age, and it is more than likely that, if all goes well with her, she will add to the reputation of her dam's family, as well as bring her sire, The Northern Man, even more prominently before the public than he is at this time. In view of the fact that Anna Bradford is by Todd Mac 2:07¾, a son of Todd, it is but natural that her half sister, by another son of this most extraordinary sire, should be a speed marvel, and, as The Northern Man was one of the most remarkable trotters ever seen, and one whose record was made under adverse circumstances, his yearling filly has, by inheritance, a right to equal, even if she does not surpass the performances of last year's champion three-year-old pacer.

One of the very best two-year-olds at the track is a bay filly by Morgan Axworthy 2:17, out of Miss Minnegarode, owned and trained by Mike Bowerman. This is the filly that attracted considerable attention last summer by her action, speed and conformation, and that was bought by her present owner from C. C. Harris, the well-known dealer in saddle horses and trotters. The daughter of Morgan Axworthy has already been a quarter in 34½ seconds, and so easily did she accomplish this that her trainer, whose experience covers a period of forty years, is convinced that he has in his possession the greatest natural trotter he has ever driven. This is an extremely well-built mare, a faultlessly gaited one, and Mike Bower-

n is confident that within a month she will be up a quarter very close to 32 seconds. This young re is probably the equal of any trotter of her age the Lexington track, for she has speed in abundce, a smooth way of going, and, although she was ven comparatively little work as a yearling, is sily the equal of any of the others of her division o were put to more severe tests last year.—Horse eeder.

THE WOODLAND SALE.

Good weather graced the date set for the sale at oodland Stock Farm, April fifteenth, and a good owd from the country surrounding that point and om other cities and towns within easy access by il was on hand to bid on the various offerings and joy the social features of the day. Some time fore midday Auctioneer William Higginbottom gan knocking down harness, implements, work ock and mules, finding new owners for everything fair prices, calling a halt about 11:45 for lunch. any of the parties of farmers and their families d come well fortified against the coming of the on hour with generously filled baskets, but such recautions were unnecessary, as Mr. and Mrs. owling—particularly Mrs. Dowling—had prepared abundance of lunch for all comers. Hearty appetes did full justice to the same, and early in the ternoon the sale of the trotting stock was begun.

The first animal offered was the yearling colt by rue Kinney 2:12¼, out of Ella J. (dam of San Felipe :08¼ and Honey Healey 2:08¼) and the crowd liked he way he acted and the price ran readily to $300, which figure he was knocked down to R. D. Mayes Dixon, the young gentleman who proved the sale's est patron. The balance of the Woodland consignent sold readily at more moderate figures but at rices very consistent for the general state of the arket. The J. W. Marshall mares and youngsters old readily, the brood mare Madeline Marshall by emonio, in foal to Robert Bingen, topping the sale t $310 and going to the same Dixon gentleman who ad purchased the True Kinney yearling, R. D. ayes. Charley Silva paid $105 and would apparntly have stood for more for the Montbaine yearling ut of Madeline Marshall, and had no reluctance bout going to $160 for the Palo King yearling out f Ramona, the dam of Del Rey 2:03¾. He was ffered a hundred dollar profit on the latter lass by hone on the part of a non-attendant at the sale but was a case of "nothing stirring." The Johnson ffering by Airlie Demonio went without delay, and he roan San Francisco—Birdie mare, consigned by . A. Swaby of Dixon, went to the third best figure f the day.

Cows and hogs were the red hot offerings of the ay and a nice bunch of each was disposed of at xcellent prices, Woodland Stock Farm's own conignment selling especially well. Thanks to the fforts of Manager Dowling and Auctioneer Higginottom everything went along smoothly and steadily, he crowd was well fed and well entertained, both uyers and consignees hitting the home trail in the fternoon with airs of satisfaction. Following are he prices and buyers of the trotting stock:

Bay Colt (yearling) by True Kinney 2:12¼—Ella J. by Bob Mason. R. D. Mayles, Davis.....$300.00
Bay Colt (yearling) by Bonaday 2:11¼—Oniska by Nutwood Wilkes. J. E. Montgomery, Davis..... 110.00
Bay Colt (yearling) by True Kinney 2:12¼—Elizabeth C. by Wayland W. A. R. Heddings, Woodland 40.00
Bay Gelding (3) by Prince Ansel—Elizabeth C. by Wayland W. F. Clark, Woodland..... 36.00
Elizabeth C., b m by Lockheart 2:08½, dam by Adrian Wilkes. Howard Duncan, Woodland..... 92.50
Princess Mamie 2:27½, b m (9) by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½—Mamie Martin by Nushagak. H. A. Hershey, Woodland 80.00
Decoratio, b m (9) by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½—Majella B. 2:24¾ by Nushagak. J. E. Montgomery, Davis 80.00
Georgia K. 2:24¼, b m (7) by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½—Majella B. 2:24¾ by Nushagak. E. O. Johnston, Oakland 60.00
Tiena, b m (4) by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½—Steina by Steinmont. E. O. Johnston, Oakland..... 75.00
Anjella 2:27½, b m (8) by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½—Majella B. 2:24¾ by Nushagak. J. E. Montgomery, Davis 110.00
Ima Dudley 2:27½, b m (7) by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½—Ima Jones by Capt. Jones. E. L. Smith Woodland 72.50
Majella B. 2:24¾, br m (aged) by Nushagak—Theo by Le Grand. A. Proctor, Woodland..... 52.50
Chestnut Mare (5) by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, dam by Knight 2:22½. E. L. Smith, Woodland..... 32.00
Bay Filly (2), breeding not established. W. Hennigan, Woodland 29.00
Black Gelding (3) by El Zombro—Anselois by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½. S. A. Woodruff, Sacramento 57.50
Twenty-Three Skidoo, bl m (8) by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½—Twenty-Third by Director 2:17. A. L. Bracken, Davis 102.50
Brown Filly (yearling) by Palo King 2:28½—Ramona by Demonio 2:11¼. Chas. F. Silva, Sacramento 160.00
Brown Gelding (2) by Sirius Pointer 2:15—Ramona by Demonio 2:11¼. K. E. Giguerre, Cashville... 75.00
Bay Colt (yearling) by Montbaine—Madeline Marshall by Demonio 2:11¼. C. F. Silva, Sacramento 105.00
Madeline Marshall, ch m (13) by Demonio 2:11¼—Mamie Comet 2:23¼ by Nutwood 2:18¾. R. D. Mayes, Davis 310.00
Brown Filly (yearling) by Airlie Demonio 2:05½, dam by Sutter 2:17½. Howard Duncan, Woodland 25.00
Dimie Airlie, bl f (4) by Airlie Demonio 2:05½—Dimontes by Diablo 2:09¼. Hughes Bros., Woodland 100.00
Black Filly (3) by Airlie Demonio 2:05½—Dimontes by Diablo 2:03¾ R. G. Luncford, Woodland.... 35.00
Airlie Boy, ch c (3) by Airlie Demonio 2:05½—Trixy by Falrose 2:19. Howard Duncan, Woodland 100.00
Roan Mare (6) by San Francisco 2:07¾—Birdie by Jay Bird 5060. H. S. Dowling, Woodland..... 190.00
Bay Gelding (2) by Palo King 2:28½, dam by Kinney Rose. W. Hennigan, Woodland..... 31.00

First Matinee at Sacramento



GEORGE WOODWARD (S. H. Cowell) winning from NIFTY (C. F. Silva) and JIM DONELLY (Will Ivey).

With a nice card of five events, a made to order afternoon and a goodly number of ardent admirers of the light harness horse seated in the grandstand or comfortably disposed on the lawn between the track and the stand, the members of the Sacramento Driving Club ushered in the fun season Sunday at the Capital City. While the crowd could have been larger without taxing the seating capacities of the amphitheatres in any way, they made up in quality what was lacking in quantity, as both the ladies and gentlemen in attendance not only knew most of the competing horses, but could call the drivers by their first names. The kids were there in force, too, including the enthusiastic "futurity prospects" of the Silva family and the country's youngest owner of a stake winner, Miss Maxine Montgomery, the diminutive lassie who shows in the entries as the proud possessor of Maxine (3) 2:15, and while the elders enjoyed the track events and passed critical judgment on the various entrants and their teamsters, the juvenile contingent pulled off their own "matinee" on the close cropped but abundant turf, keeping a sufficiently close eye on the track proceedings to know when to cheer a clever drive or a brisk finish.

Frank Ruhstaller with Moko Hall 2:11¼ by Walnut Hall 2:08¼ and Will Ivey with the three-year-old black filly Tennie Hall by Moko Hall, out of Tennie by Temescal, made up the field for the first event, staged as an opportunity for showing the speed-siring qualities of the Ruhstaller stallion. Sometimes these well planned things go wrong, but not in this case, as the lady made an excellent showing and trotted two nice miles in 2:24½ and 2:23. In the second quarter of each mile Tennie was a bit unsteady, but trotted fast after settling. She is a nice filly in every way and a good prospect as a trotter at this date.

Harry Cowell annexed another victory with that ideal old matinee warrior, George Woodward, defeating Charley Silva with Nifty and Will Ivey with Jim Donnelley, leading the way to the wire by a comfortable margin in each heat. Nifty looks a bit fat yet and Charley had to "ask it of him" in the second heat to keep the Lijero gelding from nipping the place.

The third race was for juvenile trotters and brought out a field of three young things: Sister Patrice, black filly (3) by Lijero 2:15½—Camille by Wildnut, driven by Frank Wright; Banostine, brown filly (3) by Lijero 2:15½—Mater Expedio by Knight 2:22½, driven by Dr. E. J. Weldon, and Lista, bay filly (4) by Henry Nutwood—Two Minutes by Wildnut, driven by Harry Cowell. All three trotted nicely for their initial appearance in public competition, Dr. Weldon's filly having the speed of the party. Sister Patrice was unsteady in unaccustomed hands, but her second heat was a very nice one, she making a good drive after a disastrous "jimtown" early in the mile.

Christmas Wilkes by Marvin Wilkes, Yewl by Dan Logan and Colonel Mazuma by Demonio, piloted respectively by Chris Jorgensen, Dr. Weldon and Mr. Cowell, formed the field for the mixed class, Chris' trotter winning the first heat handily in 2:17½ with Colonel Mazuma second. Walter Tryon succeeded Mr. Cowell to the mount behind Yewl in the second heat, and with Christmas Wilked opened up a fair lead in the first half. Christmas made an ascension before heading into the back stretch and occupied plenty of track in the performance, Yewl also leaving her feet and the Colonel going away to the front for a lead of several lengths. It looked like nobody but Dr. Weldon, but Tryon got the Dan Logan filly on her feet and set sail for the wire, outfooting the Colonel in the stretch for a nice win in 2:18¾, about as fast as she has ever traveled. After this performance the other two were drawn, leaving Yewl an undisputed winner.

The main feature of the afternoon's card was, of course, the free-for-all pace, with three starters, including the ever popular and reliable Teddy Bear 2:05, with Owner Silva in the sulky; John Malcolm (2) 2:11½, former world's champion as a two-year-old, driven by Wilbur Smith, and the full brother to Airlie Demonio 2:05½—Potrero Boy, piloted by Loren Daniels. It had been currently circulated throughout the crowd that the trio would work at least one mile below 2:10, and the spectators were not disappointed in that respect, the 2:10 keg being tapped for a generous draught. Teddy on the pole went away with John Malcolm and opened up a fair lead early in the game, Daniels setting sail from the half for the speedy pair in front of him, collaring the Chico horse in the stretch and forcing Teddy out in 2:11½. These tactics were repeated with emphasis in the second heat, Teddy and John going to the half in 1:04½, with the Boy further back than before. Down the back stretch Daniels began advancing the spark, overhauling John past the three-quarters and collaring the redoubtable Teddy a hundred yards from the wire. It looked like the Boy for a moment or so, but Teddy came on for a win, much to the satisfaction of the crowd. Potrero Boy paced his last half in about 1:03 and acted throughout the race like a mighty high class green pacer—just like he could have turned the full route over that track, that day, in 2:07½ or better.

F. E. Wright officiated as starter, with Messrs. C. S. Pike, I. Cristie and Ray Dittus as judges and timers. The summaries follow:

No. 1—Special Trot.
Tennie Hall, bl f (3) by Moko Hall.....(Ivey) 1 1
Moko Hall, bl h by Walnut Hall.....(Ruhstaller) 2 2
Time—2:24½, 2:23.

No. 2—Special Pace.
Geo. Woodward, b g by Senator Boggs....(Cowell) 1 1
Nifty, ch g by The Tidal Wave.....(Silva) 2 2
Jim Donnelley, b g by Lijero.....(Ivey) 3 3
Time—2:13¾, 2:17¼.

No. 3—Juvenile Trot.
Banostine, br f (3) by Lijero.....(Weldon) 1 1
Sister Patrice, bl f (3) by Lijero.....(Wright) 3 2
Lista, b f (4) by Henry Nutwood.....(Cowell) 2 3
Time—2:36½, 2:37.

No. 4—Special Mixed.
Yewl, br m by Dan Logan.....(Cowell, Tryon) 3 1
Christmas Wilkes, br g by Marvin Wilkes .....(Jorgensen) 1 3
Colonel Mazuma, br g by Demonio.....(Weldon) 2 2
Time—2:17½, 2:18¾.

No. 5—Free-for-all Pace.
Teddy Bear, b h by Del Coronado.....(Silva) 1 1
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio.....(Daniels) 2 2
John Malcolm, br g by Dan Logan.....(Smith) 3 3
Time—2:11½, 2:08¾.

SADDLE HORSE BREEDERS MEET.

A well attended meeting of the American Saddle Horse Breeders' Association at Louisville re-elected the old officers. Gen. Castleman had not yet returned from his Florida winter home and Judge Thurman presided. A decrease of about 300 registrations for the year was reported. The plan proposed by the stake committee, whereby fair associations would be asked to give one-half the stakes, was approved. The division of money is to be 40, 30, 20 and 10 per cent to the winners. The committee on increase of capital stock was instructed to take steps to provide for such increase. At a board meeting it was decided not to recommend judges for the Panama-Pacific exposition. An advisory committee of the association, selected by Chief Lively, had submitted a list of names, but on account of lack of agreement between Kentucky and Missouri exhibitors Mr. Lively asked the association to name judges outside these two states. This the board declined to do.—Breeders' Gazette.

The attorney general has decided that pari-mutuel betting on horse races is illegal under the laws of Colorado, and writing on this subject Jack Sproule says: "Personally I am not in favor of betting in any form at county or state fairs. I would rather enter my horses at a fair where the management does not allow betting. I have entered horses in the speed and show ring at a number of fairs where they did not pay their purses or premiums in full. Those fairs without a single exception allowed gambling on their grounds. There is no difference in losing money whether on a faro bank, roulette wheel, or a horse race. It makes no difference whether it is a table in the rear end of a saloon used for playing poker where the dealer takes out ten per cent or a roulette wheel which can be controlled by electricity in the back parlor of a hotel, or a squeeze spindle or a large wheel controlled by a spring or a brake on a state or county fair grounds, or a pari-mutuel machine at a race meeting. They are all gambling devices and ought not to be allowed on the grounds of a state or county fair. The owner of the pari-mutuel machine takes out ten per cent of all moneys bet. Any school boy will tell you that ten per cent taken out of a man's bank roll four or six times a day will soon deplete it."—Field and Farm.

In and Out Among the Tules

Woodland and Sacramento are two of my regular "ports of call" that I had, up to last week, not visited since the time of the year arrived for "letting 'em down" toward the 2:10 mark, but a few days spent in that vicinity quite recently were sufficient to convince both myself and other visitors that the Sacramento valley has its usual amount of speed on tap for the season of 1915.

The Woodland sale was in progress when E. O. Johnson and I landed at the farm, after a nice ride out from the Byrns behind "Shank's ponies," and while the regulars of the training camp had all been laid away earlier in the day in order to clear decks for the sale, Hi Hogoboom was entertaining such members of the crowd as were not interested in work stock, mules, implements, etc., with a pair of yearling trotters by Palo King, both from Iran Alto mares, grandams by McKinney. How those little scamps can step! They can fairly run away at it, and if any of those $2000 to $32000 yearlings down east can show more lick right now than this pair they are sure trotters. All of Hi's stuff looks and works good and he ought to get a cut of money again this year when he goes to the races. Little Express (2) 2:20, winner of the junior pacing division of the Breeders Futurity last year, is growing into a husky lass and has worked around 2:22 this season. Enchilada 2:18¼, the pacer by Palite and out of the same dam as Ed Parker's good three-year-old trotter at Pleasanton, Paprika by Oro Belmont, has gone the route a bit better than his record time, with a half in 1:04, and the stable's other sidewheeler, Marlin by Dialect—Maud Wilkes by Clarence Wilkes, entered in the big pace at the exposition, has had a mile in 2:16½, half in 1:05. A four-year-old trotting sister to Alto Express turned the trick in 2:24 Friday, and Woodland King, the three-year-old fellow, has not yet been asked to beat 2:30. Hi has a new trotter out in the little home pasture that he is mighty proud of, a foal by Robert Bingen 2:11¼ out of Beautiful Bird (dam of Alto Express 2:22¼) by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, grandam Expressive (3) 2:12½ (dam of Atlantic Express (3) 2:08¼, Esther Bells 2:08¼ and four other trotters) by Electioneer. As Robert Bingen is a son of the great family founder, Bingen 2:06¼, and Episode 2:18 by Ambassador, grandam Santos, the dam of Peter the Great 2:07¼, etc., the newcomer is one of the best bred babies of this year's crop.

Dick Johnson is a newcomer to the Woodland track (for this season, that is), having recently moved up from Dunnigan with the horses belonging to R. L. Ogden of that place, all of them in nice shape after a winter's jogging on the roads around home. Dick is training four head, including a rugged six-year-old bay mare by Stanford 2:23½ (son of Juanito by Tilton Almont, dam by Director 2:17) out of a daughter of Alexander Button 2:26½, grandam by St. Clair. This is a nice going girl with some former education, having worked in 2:18 with quarters in :30 for Hi Hogoboom. The other mare of the same age is a trotter by Iran Alto 2:12¼, out of Yolo Girl by Lynwood W., grandam by Montana Wilkes, and while not yet asked to go the full distance in any kind of time has brushed quarters in :33 and eighths in :16. The other members of the stable are out of the same dam as the trotting mare, one a four-year-old pacing filly by Dan Logan and the other a trotting filly a year younger by Palo King 2:28½, both just beginning their track education. Dick also brought Yolo Girl up with him and will breed her to Prince Ansel.

There is a new institution at the Woodland track known as the Logan-Montgomery Trust Company, Jim Logan 2:01¾, president, Dan Logan 2:07¼, vice-president, and J. Elmo and Carey Montgomery, managing directors. The avowed purpose of the organization is the development of sufficient speed to clean up the free-for-all, 2:08 and 2:09 paces, and probably some other classes, and the concern will "disincorporate" before the racing season opens, Dan Logan being under lease to Warren Pugh of Davis, and entered against his brother in a few events. For the present, however, they are taking their work together and make a great pair of pacers for the railbirds to watch. Jim has a remarkably clean set of legs for a horse that has been through the mill, and while Dan's underpinning is a bit knobby in spots he is standing up in great shape and promises to be as fast as ever—which would mean a 2:03 pacer. The brothers so far have worked in company in 2:12¾, 1:03, :29, so they both have the necessary whizz.

Elmo's fastest rides for the full route have been behind the Sacramento pacer Booze 2:07¼, that fellow having worked nicely in 2:11, 1:03, :30½, and beginning to look like real good goods. Maxine, winner of the senior pacing division of the Breeders' Futurity last year, is making a fine mare, free-legged, and so far has negotiated her best mile in 2:14½, 1:04, :30½. She will do to watch at any and all times. Lock Logan pulled Tenessee Bill Morrison and a cart in 2:16½, 1:04½, :31 Saturday morning, and Carolyn, his only foal, now two years old, has had an easy heat in 2:37¼ with the quarter in :33¼. Elmo has but one trotter in the string, Senator Ben Rush's three-year-old filly Winnie Bond by The Bondsman—La Moscovita by Guy Wilkes that took a two-year-old record of 2:27, and she is coming along steadily, with work to her credit in 2:23½, 1:10, :33½. As her engagements come late in the fall she has a lot of time to make speed, and her owner and trainer think her able to furnish some pretty hot competition when the time comes.

"Doc" Herspring has been trying to get Little Lucille (3) 2:09 in shape to race this year, but while he has done wonders with her legs the result is still in doubt. She has been doing very well and is one of the nicest things imaginable in very many ways but is a bit lame at present going slow, though she dosen't show it when moving along at a thirty gait or better, which she does handily. Her owner insists that she isn't "just right" without a little limp, but the canny David will believe she will do to race if he gets her there, not otherwise. If she does stand up for him she will be mighty useful, but the odds are against her. Don Rosine is coming along for everything asked of him and D. F. waxes enthusiastic whenever chance conversation brings up Richmond Rankin, his young trotter by Zorankin (2) 2:29¾, dam Edna Richmond by Richmond Chief 2:11, etc.

Harry Dowling is about the busiest man in Yolo county, as in addition to the general business of Woodland Stock Farm he is doing the training "single handed" and his horses are all coming along in great shape, especially those to be raced at the early meeting at the exposition. Lottie Ansel, who was such a good two-year-old trotter in 1912, has matured into a very nice mare indeed, and is doing some good work, having been a number of miles below 2:20, with halves in 1:07 and quarters in :33. Robert Bingen, raced last year at the pace, is trotting just as if that was all he ever knew and has a bold way of going and a stride that is reminiscent of the "old hoss." One of the nicest workouts I have seen this year was a mile a few seconds on the fast side of 2:20 between Robert Bingen, Enchilada, and the Logan brothers, with the half in 1:05 and the final quarter in :31. Coming up the stretch the pacers seemed fairly sizzling, but Robert was going along unconcernedly, covering a lot of ground with apparently little effort and covering it fast, as the windup of a final quarter in :31 "in these diggings" is generally right at a two-minute shot.

Josie Ansel, the green pacing mare by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½ and out of Josie D. by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, still occupies just as high a place in Harry's estimation as she did at my former visits, and he has some justification for his faith in her by reason of her work in both this and previous seasons. Last year she traveled some very fast fractional parts of the mile, and in her work this spring has gone halves in 1:05½, with quarters in :31½ and miles in corresponding time for the season. She has lots of nerve and power and ought to give a pretty good account of herself. Clara Mac, last year's sensation, looks just like the same tough nut and is being fitted for the free-for-alls. Miles in 2:15 to 2:17 are coming her way pretty regularly, and she has tramped some merry halves between four and five and quarters from :31 to :32. She is rugged and hearty and shows no signs of deterioration from her last year's hard racing. Clara Mac, Lottie and Josie Ansel and the Bingen horse are all entered at the exposition meetings.

Last fall when the Considine mares were shipped home from the Blue Grass, Harry told me that he did not believe Miss Faribault to be with foal, and that if he proved right she would make a great mare to race later on. I had never seen her to know her, and when I asked one of the boys Friday what a very pleasing looking bay mare might be I was a bit surprised to learn that she was the sister of Ortolan Axworthy (3) 2:07½, one of the real cracks of last year's three-year-old brigade—not that I was surprised to find her a high class trotter, far from it; she had simply slipped my memory and I had forgotten Harry's prediction. He has been taking things easy with her, as she is not entered in the early events, but while he has only asked her for a mile in 2:26 she has traveled a half in 1:09 and quarters below :32. The three-year-old trotters and Ruth Ansel are working easily between 2:30 and 2:35, about the same time catching the pacer of the same age, Prince Majella. The two-year-olds are all doing nicely, with lots of time to get ready for the November stakes, and Harry has some yearlings that look like the real article.

In spite of the speed uncorked on the track by the various members of the local stables, not the least interesting places about the farm, to me at least, were the infield where the mares and idle youngsters were grazing on tall green barley, and the smaller paddocks where matrons with new born foals were grazing or lounging in the shade. Carrietta and her filly by Peter the Great took quite a bit of my time, and in the same paddock Ila Moko and the double producer of 2:10 trotting speed, Ella J., were looking zealously to the welfare of two-day-old babies by Prince Ansel. (Yes, Genevieve, I looked in the chicken yard, too; they are growing right along, but this awful war is going to cause some hard times for 'em a little later on!).

I "had a hunch" Thursday morning when starting up the valley that Sunday might be matinee day at Sacramento, and if I could have gotten a ticket on it it would have cashed, as the club there pulled off a good card, causing Saturday to be a quiet day, most of the horses that were ordinarily due for a workout at the week-end being carried over to start in Sunday's program.

The Silva-Daniels combination was busily engaged in getting odds and ends together in preparation for "getaway day" on Monday or Tuesday of this week as they decided a change to Woodland would be beneficial on account of the superior condition of the footing at the Yolo metropolis, and moved there with their entire training stable, including Teddy Bear 2:05, Nifty 2:07¾, Oro Mo 2:09¼, Kid Cupid 2:08¾, Potrero Boy, the full brother to Airlie Demonic 2:05½, Bondalean (2) 2:21¾, John Malcolm (2) 2:11½, Columbia T. (2) 2:22½, Eloise Dell 2:26, the two-year-old filly by Teddy Bear, out of Economizer the two-year-old colt by Lijero 2:15½ out of the dam of Teddy Bear, and Wilbur Smith's four-year-old trotting gelding by Montbaine, from a mare by Lock heart. Nearest Alto McKinney, the trotting gelding that has been very highly regarded for some time has just had a severe attrack of lung trouble and probably was not in condition to ship with the balance of the stable, though he was improving rapidly Sunday.

All the record members of the stable have been given some pretty stiff work, and the two-year-olds are showing nicely, the trotter having been a mile in 2:40, with quarters in :36½, and the pacer having brushed quarters near :31. Smith's trotter is handling himself nicely around 2:20, and the stable's green pacer, Potrero Boy, looks a whole lot like a real horse. The three-cornered workout Sunday between this lad, John Malcolm and Teddy Bear was their fastest one so far, and the brother to Airlie Demonio made an excellent showing. He covers a lot of territory at a stride and seems about right in manners and race sense, as he can be rated nicely and has a good head. From his performance Sunday I would not be surprised to see him get a faster record than his game brother. Kid Cupid has made but one or two breaks this season and has all his former speed. John Malcolm, the one-time two-year-old champion, can show a mighty hot clip, and Daniels sees hard work ahead for the three-year-old pacer that beats the other lad belonging to Mrs. W. J. Miller, Bondalean.

Chris Jorgensen is taking the wire edge off a few broncs, as usual, and handling a couple of outside trotters, Christmas Wilkes, owned by Paul Simms of Freeport and a green mare by a son of Zombro owned by B. McGinty of Reno. Chris had his plans all laid to return to Denmark and open a training stable in Copenhagen, but the war has knocked these arrangements "galley-west" and he will probably compromise by moving in the near future to Reno, where he has a number of friends and the promise of a few trotters right off the reel.

Ike Harlan is making nice headway with three young things from the mare that has already raised him the trotters Prince Alto 2:23 and Ben Alto 2:29½—Rita R. by Diawood, dam Lady Thorn by Billy Thornhill. Two are trotters, a three-year-old filly and a gelding a year younger, both by Montbaine, and the other is the four-year-old filly Frankie Logan by Dan Logan, a handy green pacer that is learning rapidly. The Montbaine youngsters are all inclined to trot, which is not surprising, as that horse is not only very strongly trotting bred but is a good gaited natural trotter. He is back at the Sacramento track now, doing stud service in the hands of Wm. Sloane and getting a number of mares. His heels, which looked hopeless when last I saw him some two years ago, show a great improvement and Sloane is thinking of giving him some work at the trot, as he deserves a fair kind of a record.

One of the new faces at Sacramento, to me at least, was that of S. R. Gilbert, a native Kentuckian who has arrived in a good California haven by way of the northwest, having but recently been a resident of the Willamette Valley. Mr. Gilbert has a genuine Oregon pacer in the brown gelding Budweiser, by Hal B. 2:04¼ and out of Vevo (dam of Ella Erickson 2:14¼ and Olga S. 2:14½) by Altamont. For the first crosses the breeding is the same as that of Hal Boy 2:06¼ but from there back there is a bit of a difference, Budweiser's grandam being Nell (dam of Lady Daphne 2:21¼) by Duroc Prince, sire of the dams of Freddie C. 2:07 and Lord Lovelace 2:07½, while Hal Boy's grandam is Laska by Rockwood. "Bud" has the distinction, enjoyed by but few horses, of having cleaned up on Hal Boy at one time in a matinee at Portland before the little pacer came under his present ownership, but whether he will develop the Boy's present sizzle remains to be seen. He is bigger than the Childs horse, a nice turned, well behaved fellow, and has worked the Sacramento track for Sam in 2:19½ with a half in 1:05½.

Loupie Crillo, formerly Col. Jim Thompson's right hand man, is taking care of three youngsters belonging to Dr. E. J. Weldon, the Doctor giving them a good deal of their faster work in person. The baby

f the bunch is a two-year-old colt by Lijero, out of a McKinney mare, that can go out and imitate a trotter. Both the others are three-year-olds, and were iloted by the Doctor in Sunday's matinee, the rotter, Banostine by Lijero, out of the dam of Expeio 2:09¼, winning the juvenile trot in time considrably slower than she is capable of, as she has worked right around 2:20. The pacer, Colonel Maguma, brother to Normono 2:14¾, did about his best work Sunday, finishing second two heats in 2:17½, 2:18¾, and behaving very nicely throughout the race.

Walter Tryon has the Cowell horses and one or wo others as usual, and that they are just about 'ready" whenever wanted was pretty well proven Sunday by their performances in the matinee. George Woodward pulled Mr. Cowell to the front just as in days gone by when he was under instead of over the en year mark. Lista, the four-year-old filly by Henry Nutwood, out of Two Minutes by Wildnut, had never beaten 2:40 prior to Sunday's tryout and Mr. Cowell was content to "buggy-ride" second and third n 2:36½ and 2:37, without making any demands upon her. Yewl, the four-year-old green filly by Dan Logan, dam by Falrose, is a very nice prospect and prior to Sunday had worked in 2:20½, half in 1:05½ and quarter in :31½, but went this a bit better in her races. Just a trifle strange to Mr. Cowell, she was taken in hand by Walter in the next heat, pacing the mile in 2:18¾ after a standstill break early in the heat for which she could scarcely be justly blamed. She goes free-legged and looks to be a right good prospect. Walter also has another green pacer in Dixon Boy (3) by The Patchen Boy (3) 2:10¾, dam by Diablo, grandam Trix Marshall, that has worked the Sacramento track in 2:20½, and a good looking green trotter belonging to Wm. J. Irvine of Sacramento—a black gelding by McKenna 2:17½ out of a McKinney mare. Panama 2:10¼ was making speed steadily until a few days ago when he contracted a bit of lameness from hitting some bad footing in the stretch—nothing serious but enough to keep him out of the June races.

Will Ivey has his string in the usual good shape, one of the nice pair of trotters in the stable being the Ruhstaller filly Tennie Hall and her sire Moko Hall 2:11¼. Tennie is only a three-year-old but has been working this season along with her dad, Frank Ruhstaller usually teaming the latter, their best work to date being miles in 2:20, halves in 1:08 and some nicely trotted eighths at a two-minute clip. Jim Donnelly, Frank Wright's pacer by Lijero, is traveling miles around 2:17 with halves as fast as 1:06, and D. D. McDonald's Golden Baron gelding, Donald, has gone the route in 2:12½, 1:04 and :30½. This lad looks like the real candy and is entered well at the P.-P. I. E. Frances Zombro by Zombro, Mr. McDonald's trotting mare, is working nicely around eighteen, and her two-year-old filly by Sonoma King is just getting nicely broken. Sister Patrice, the three-year-old Lijero—Camille filly owned by Frank Wright and Dr. White, is developing into a nice trotter, and Will's own colt, Legeros, is just beating forty comfortably, having no early engagements. Ivey is just breaking for George Heilbron a great looking yearling filly by Lijero, out of Califa by Silver Bow, a full sister to the good youngster that died about a year ago after showing very great promise. This lassie is well staked, and here's hoping for better luck than the other one experienced.

Frank Howland has the green pacer Pedro by Loring that has had previous work around 2:23, and a pair of well bred and highly promising green trotters, one a mare by Golden Baron out of a Nutwood Wilkes dam, and the other the two-year-old filly Jet Moko by Moko Hall, dam Osmuda by Bon Voyage 2:08, grandam Loma B. (dam of Albaloma 2:08¼, etc.) by Stam B. 2:11¼. This lass belongs to L. H. Todhunter and is generously staked. She hasn't had much asked of her so far but has a good way of going and has brushed quarters in forty seconds. Frank has a combination stable, as he is also training a couple of thoroughbreds owned by Angus Ross of Sacramento. George Van Gordon of Concord is also stabled in the same barn with four runners, recently arrived from Juarez, one or two of them winners at good prices during the winter meeting at the Mexican town.

Speaking of the thoroughbreds, on which family of the race horse my "technical education" is sadly deficient, have never seen a bunch that I liked better than those from the Nevada Stock Farm, handled through the winter at Sacramento by George Strate. I was at the state fair grounds track just after they landed there last November and when their kindergarten lessons were just starting. They have grown like a debt at compound interest and have learned just as fast as they have grown, as I have never seen a nicer behaved lot of youngsters. They are chock full of race and there isn't a one that can't mock a runner to perfection, and out of the number I saw breezed Saturday there never was a moment that they were not on their good behavior. George has added a couple to the original string—a fine big two-year-old colt Mata Osos by Bearcatcher—Lady Atheling by Imp. Atheling, owned by Mayor Christie of Emeryville, and the roan mare Tillie Wolforth, from the farm at Reno. Tillie has the brackets to her credit in previous seasons but has had the reputation of being a hard one to shoo around the course. Saturday, however, she went the route slow, fast, and "middlin'" as unconcerned as could be, so she is evidently learning something. George expects to ship to Denver shortly, and the tops of the stable will go farther east for their stake engagements. Their behavior would make 'em worth a ticket wherever I chanced to strike 'em. [N.]

BRISK MATINEE AT VENTURA.

Two races made up the card for the Seaside Driving Club matinee at Ventura, Sunday, and what the program lacked in quantity it furnished in quality. From the time the horses turned to score for the first heat of the free-for-all until the finish of the last heat of the special race for named horses, the issue was always in doubt, and the excitement increased as the races progressed.

The first race called was the free-for-all, and brought out the four pacers John Black, b. g. by Abscota, owned by C. C. Hickey; Zomar, ch. h by Zolock, owned by Donlon Bros.; Hal Wood, br. g. by Hal B., owned by Thos. McCormick, and Sunshine, b. m. by Longworth, owned by Henry Delaney. Owing to the fact that Zomar had won his last two starts and against the same field, the crowd seemed to favor him for the race, and the rugged son of Zolock 2:05¼ made good by winning the second, third and fourth heats, after dropping the first one to Sunshine.

Hal Wood drew the pole and led to the half in 1:07, followed by Sunshine, Zomar and John Black, about a length apart and in the order named. At this point they looked like a procession, but going into the back stretch Delaney brought Sunshine up with a rush, getting the pole on the third turn, and from there on was never in danger. Zomar finished second, Hal Wood third, John Black last in 2:19½.

In the second heat Sunshine went away in the lead, but Zomar was out to win and forced her to pace to the half in 1:06. This clip was too fast, however, and at the five-eighths post the mare had enough, Zomar winning in 2:19¼, Sunshine second, John Black third and Hal Wood last.

In the third heat they took their time, pacing the first half in 1:13, and no one seemed to care to force matters. At the half Zomar led, John Black second, Hal Wood third and Sunshine fourth, and in this order they finished in the slow time of 2:22½. Zomar and John Black brushed down the stretch in :16½, the only fast part of the mile. Sunshine was never extended this heat and it was a foregone conclusion with the spectators that there would be something doing the fourth heat, and no one was disappointed.

They got away to a perfect start. Sunshine, immediately going to the front, opened up a lead of at least four lengths, followed by Hal Wood, Zomar and John Black. Gradually the field closed up, Zomar and John Black passing Hal Wood and gaining on Sunshine. When they reached the back stretch, going around the second time, Sunshine led by two lengths but was evidently weakening for at this point Delaney resorted to the whip, and, from there on, drove as if for his life. They hit the head of the home stretch with Zomar's nose at Sunshine's wheel, and from there to the wire both Delaney and Joe Donlon threw away their lines and depended entirely upon the whip, of which they are both past masters. All down the stretch Zomar gained by inches, and although Delaney drove the mare desperately the stallion managed to get his nose in front in the last thirty feet and won by about two feet, after one of the hardest fought finishes ever seen on a race track in this section. The time for the heat was 2:19¼.

In the special race for named horses there were three entries — Santa Paula, b. m by Longworth, owned by Jas. Gill; Zombroso, br. h. by Zombro, owned by Jas. Leonard, and Lady Cupid, b. m. by Cupid, owned by J. S. Keran. Zombroso is a trotter and the two mares hoppled pacers. In the first heat Lady Cupid, on the pole, and Santa Paula went to the half in 1:08¼, with Zombroso about three lengths behind. At the three-quarters Delaney took the lead with Santa Paula and from there to the wire was never headed, although Lady Cupid fought every foot of the way and finished at Santa Paula's wheel, with Zombroso three lengths farther back. Time, 2:19¼. The second heat was similar to the first, except that Zombroso fought it out with Santa Paula in the place of Lady Cupid, Santa Paula winning by half a length, with Lady Cupid two lengths behind Zombroso. Time, 2:21.

The third heat was a duplicate of the second, but Santa Paula won with less effort in 2:22, with Zombroso second and Lady Cupid third. Both Santa Paula and Lady Cupid furnished a surprise in this race, as neither of them has distinguished herself in the past as a reliable race horse. Sunday, however, they both paced three good miles without a mistake, and their race furnished some of the best sport of the afternoon.

The judges and timers were Thos. Rice, Oxnard; Thos. Clark, Nordhoff; W. A. Bonestel and Wm. McGlinchy, Ventura, and M. W. Beadle, Santa Barbara.

Between the heats of the races about twenty members of the recently organized "Westerners" gave a drill on horseback in the track centerfield, under the direction of their commanding officer, Major Driffell of Oxnard. This organization of horsemen has about forty-five members in Ventura, Oxnard and surrounding country and they seem to be getting a good deal of enjoyment out of it.

The attendance was disappointing in numbers but very appreciative and seemed to leave well satisfied with the afternoon's sport.—["BARBARIAN."]

Little Express (2) 2:20

SOME UNUSUAL HISTORY OF A FUTURITY WINNER.

Last summer at Salinas when Hi Hogoboom of Woodland piloted Little Express to the top of the summary in the two-year-old pacing division of the Breeders Futurity, with a second heat in 2:20 and a third heat in 2:22, Elmo Montgomery having won the first heat in 2:21¾ with Bondalean, there was established a rather unusual record—perhaps a world's record. Not that the time was so especially fast, as the two-year-old pacing division of the same classic has witnessed the breaking of marks for the age in time perilously near 2:10, but there were some very unusual other features surrounding the performance that are worthy of note. The writer is not just now awakening to the circumstances alluded to, but has been holding up the tale until a picture of the lass could be secured to adorn it. This having been



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accomplished on a recent trip to the home of Palo King, it appears herewith and the delayed story runneth thusly:

Some seventeen or eighteen years ago Mr. Hogoboom purchased the mare Rosa by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼, dam by Del Sur 2:24, grandam Blanche (dam of Hazel Wilkes 2:11¼, Una Wilkes 2:15, etc.) by Arthurton 365, the girl being a product of the establishment of William Corbitt. This mare he bred to Waldstein 2:22½, then owned by him, securing a filly foal known afterwards as Walda. Walda in turn was stinted to Diablo 2:09¼, then standing for service at Woodland, a filly foal again resulting, christened Diawalda.

Now to get the other side of the house, one day, now some years past, Hi purchased from the Palo Alto Stock Farm the mare Beautiful Bird by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, out of that great daughter of Electioneer, Expressive (3) 2:12½, famous both as a race mare and a producer. At the time he had under lease the stallion Iran Alto 2:12¼, a son of Palo Alto 2:08¾ and Elaine 2:20 by Messenger Duroc, grandam the immortal Green Mountain Maid, and to this horse he bred his Palo Alto purchase. As luck would have it the resultant foal was of the male persuasion, and Hi set about the task of developing him as a trotter, giving him a record of 2:22¼ over the "bull ring" at Scio, Oregon, in 1912. During the previous season he had mated the "ultimate results" of both lines of breeding just gone over, Alto Express and Diawalda, the foal being Little Express, trained by her owner-breeder and driven out by him to a futurity winning performance. Moreover, Hi has his plans all laid to snare the three-year-old division as well, and then go on and breed a still better one.

Condensed the situation is this:—Mr. Hogoboom won the futurity with a filly of his own breeding, trained and driven by himself, whose dam and grandam he himself bred, whose third dam he owned, and whose sire he not only bred and owned but trained and drove to his record. The situation is a remarkable one, and if it does not stand as a world's record both Mr. Hogoboom and the writer would be glad to hear from the breeder-owner-trainer who can "go him one better."

Keefer & Spencer have apparently begun manufacturing speed in earnest with their trotters at Pleasanton, as last week Charley worked Bonnie Ansel, their candidate for the big Panama-Pacific stake, in 2:14½, with the last half in 1:03 and the final quarter in :29½, while The Proof worked the route a quarter of a second faster than Bonnie Ansel and did his last half nicely in 1:02¾. He is a real trot horse, and the only ones of his foals ever trained, both two-year-old fillies, are coming right along with the good ones of any country, The Expense having trotted recently in 2:33½, last quarter in :36½, and Catherine T. in 2:40, with the quarter in :37. If jinxes will stay away from the stable The Proof ought to be a member of the 2:10 list and also have a place in the great table of sires before the season of 1915 closes.

THE ETIQUETTE OF OWNERSHIP.

Editor "The Horseman":

Having recently retired from the pulpit of a prominent church, and having accumulated considerable money, I would like to engage in some mild sport such as racing horses and would be willing to peel off several layers of my bank-roll to become the owner of a racing stable. Would appreciate any information you can give me on the subject. Yours, etc.,

E. SAYE MARQUE.

We hesitate to give you any information on this very delicate subject, but as you insist we will oblige. The first thing to do is to discard those saintly raiments which you are accustomed to wearing and purchase some suits in decided plaids and of variegated colors, the more colors the better. Have hats, shoes and other apparel to correspond. Then buy yourself several glittering rocks, one for the tie and the balance for your fingers, crowd on all you can. By the way, when we mention "rocks," we mean diamonds. If you cannot afford real diamonds, you can procure a choice collection of imitations for about five dollars. These answer the purpose very well to look at, but it is slightly inconvenient to own this kind, if your horse happens to lose a number of races and you are caught in a town, financially embarrassed, as the brother of your mother or father, commonly called "your uncle," who runs the only pawn shop in town, will not come across as liberally as he would for the real stuff. By the way, don't forget a cane, as that gives you an additional air of prosperity, and, at the same time, is good to use to exercise your knowledge of the horse by poking every one you can see in the ribs.

Now that you have your outfit ready for the track, it is time to buy your horses. Pick out some friend that says he knows all about horses, as you find that kind more easily and their knowledge will help you along. The horses can be picked out in various ways. Many prefer to answer small ads in newspapers, that offer very fast horses for little money, just because the owner is going abroad and would rather secure a good home for the animal than a good price. This kind of a dealer is truthful and always delivers the horse you buy, his love for the animal is heart-breaking. He will always give you a bargain, as he will sell you a $100 horse for $500 and then feel that he is being robbed.

If you happen to think that the auction sales would be a better place to secure your racing stable, you are right, because it is your money and you can do as you please with mazuma so hard earned as yours. When you bid on a horse at one of these sales and he is knocked down to you, look him over carefully after the sale, never before; if the hoofs are not perfectly smooth, or he holds his tail crooked, or appears too quiet, reject him, all these are good excuses. After you reject the horse, find the man who consigned him to the sale, and say that you will take the horse if he will knock off $50 from the sale price. This idea hits the owner in the right spot as they all like to be "bushed." Don't work it more than once on the same man, or else your racing plans may be somewhat delayed. We will say now that you have secured your horses and are ready to send them to be trained.

You are recommended to several good trainers, but while preparing to make terms, you may run across one who tells you about all the horses he has driven to records, and how much money he had won for their owners, but these same owners proved dogs, because they took the horses away from him and gave them to somebody else. Engage this fellow at once, particularly if he offers you a price of $20 or $35 a monthe to train each horse, as the animal is sure to get plenty to eat and good attention. This fellow will employ the best of swipes, the kind that work so hard that they need stimulants and who always carry alkali breaths. Don't hire the trainer who asks you from $45 to $60 a month to train, as he will become rich off you in a short time, as the profit at this price is tremendous, as it is said that these high priced (?) trainers clear all this amount, except the street car fare from boarding house to track. Some of them may even save the carfare by driving to and from the house with your horse. Before we go further would say that we advise you not to pay more than $100 or $150 for any horse, as history shows that many big money winners have been bought for that amount and even less—just look at the famous horses that have pulled delivery wagons and run mail routes. Yours has just as much chance, in fact the same chance as you have of making another fortune in the race horse game.

Be very liberal with this treasure of a trainer of yours, buy him all the sulkies, carts and boots that he wants, because he will need some of them for the next man he works for, after you get tired of paying bills. Another thing, whenever he wants an advance of $50 or $100, give it to him, as he will soon owe you money, and that is an easy way of paying bills. Get the horses to him as early in the spring as you can, because he is a slow conditioner and it will be late in the fall before he will be able to race them. The longer you stand for a touch, the longer the horses will be in getting to the races. The shoeing bills will also be rather large as your trainer will have a hard time balancing the horses.

While the horses are being trained always be prepared to hand the swipes a "case note" every time you see them; it keeps their breath sweet and they work that much harder (?), then again it is charitable, because that may be all the money they are liable to get for their work. You know the trainer and his family must live, if they did not he would not be strong enough to work you and the horses.

You have been a good angel for a number of months now and have been patient as your horses gradually developed speed (?) and showed their ribs at the same time. You are ready to have your ambition as the owner of a racing horse gratified. Your trainer gives you a list of places to enter and you do. Shipping day arrives which proves very expensive, with new blankets, coolers, harness and a million other articles to buy, not taking into consideration the cost of satin coat, cap, gloves and trousers of the driver, which you presented to him, after several broad hints were dropped. Your shipping bills right now are heavy also, but you feel that this is last expense, as your horses are now on their way to win themselves out.

The horses arrived safely at point of their first start; several shoes were pulled and some had to be moved, but that was easy, as on Tuesday your great trainer tells you the money will be coming in, because if you win the race you will get half of $300, which looks big to you, and you figure that with four horses each winning that amount you will have $600, and ten times $600 makes $6,000. Of course you may expect to win every race you start in, considering the quality of the horses and the quality of the driver.

Your race is on today so put on your noisiest clothes and all the rocks, take your cane and maybe a pair of field glasses strung over your shoulder and make the effect more startling. Go to the secretary and loan him fifteen dollars, ask him what time your race starts, and if it comes first or second on the program. Say "good afternoon" to the officials in the judges' stand and you can shake hands with them if they will stand for it. Then go down on the track and parade before the grandstand until your horse comes out. Go up and examine him carefully. You don't know anything about a horse, but the people in the stand don't know that and your bluff goes. The trainer is the only happy man in your outfit, as he knows he got his from you.

After your horse has jumped around and spoiled several scores, and the word is given with him away back and on a run, you look up at the starter with daggers in your eyes and remark to anybody around you how rotten that starter is. This is one play you should not miss. By this time you happen to remember that you have a horse in the race. You look at the leading horses on the back stretch, but your horse is not in that bunch, then you allow your eyes to wander backwards, but he is not in that tier, then slowly the bright and conspicuous colors in the race catch your eye and you realize that that outfit of yours is trailing behind the field, with horse and driver in dire distress. They pass the stand for the first start with S. O. S. in evidence and the horse letting out wind like a locomotive exhaust. When your horse reaches the three-quarter pole, your driver wakes up and commences to hand your horse a bunch of long oats and drives it to a break, and in this run he is just in time to keep that nasty man with the red flag from flirting with him. In the meantime you have forgotten to use your field glasses.

As soon as the driver salutes the judges, you must run to your horse, giving the crowd a good view of your rocks. Get the driver to tell you why he did not win. He has forgotten what the number of the excuse is, as he left Murray Howe's great volume at home, and so claims a foul, and you both visit the stand. He does the talking, while you nonchalantly lean on the rail right back of him so that the judges will be impressed with your rocks. When the driver refers to you, as seeing the whole foul, shake your head and look wise.

The swipes by this time have taken the horse to the barn, but they have over-stimulated and have a hard time navigating around the horse. In the meantime you and driver have endeavored to become chummy with the real owners and drivers on the track, your driver innocently flicking the dust with the end of his whip and looking wise. The horse comes out for the next heat, and introduces some more high school stunts that nearly upset other horses in the race, and this time the flag man saw him first and waved the danger signal right in his very face, so insulting both driver and horse that neither would start again. Your personal appeal to those hard-faced robbers (?) in the stand had no effect as the rocks showed them you could afford to lose.

This same treatment accorded you at each track would be too much for your bland disposition and after many weeks you will wake up and realize that your old way of getting the money was easier, and the nearest auction to your last race will ge the outfit and you in your truthful (?) way will write out the "owner's statements" for each horse, stating in each case "that you believe they can beat 2:10 if given a chance, and that you are selling only because your health will not permit you to continue racing." But do not state that the only unhealthy parts about you are your nerves and your pocketbook.

We generally charge money for this advice, but as members of your profession have done so much to improve racing and breeding conditions, we can not make our hearts so hard, as to add to the cost of your racing experience.—W. H. Shields, in The Horseman.

ENTRIES IN STANFORD-OCCIDENT FUTURITY No. 1.

(Closed April 1, 1915.

I. L. Borden's foal by Ed McKinney, dam Ramona by Prince Robert; foal by Ed McKinney, dam Hester McKinney by McKinney; foal by Ed McKinney, dam Cleopatra by Zolock; foal by Ed McKinney, dam Directola by Direct; foal by Ed McKinney, dam Miss Nutwood by Nutwood Wilkes; foal by Ed McKinney, dam Ella G. by Hambletonian Wilkes; foal by Ed McKinney, dam Maude Adams by Cresco Wilkes; foal by Ed McKinney, dam Dolly B. by Welcome; foal by Iran Alto, dam Carrie B. by Alex. Button; foal by Ed McKinney, dam Alta Monterey by Monterey; foal by Major's By Guy, dam C. D. K.

J. L. Bullock's foal by Uganda, dam Jane C. by Zolock.

Chas. Butters' foal by The Bondsman, dam Lottie Lynwood by Lynwood W.

Stewart Carter's foal by Palo King, dam Addie Carter by Iran Alto.

John N. Colomb's foal by Vernon McKinney, dam Mary Gordon by Gordon.

S. H. Cowell's foal by Panama, dam Zaza by Henry Nutwood; foal by Panama, dam Harvest Queen by Silver Arrow.

J. F. Dunne's foal by Tom Smith, dam Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy.

W. G. Durfee's foal by Carlokin, dam De Ora by Copa de Oro; foal by Carlokin, dam Blanche Hall by Directum Penn; foal by Carlokin, dam Honey Healey by Zombro; foal by Carlokin, dam My Irene S. by Petigru; foal by Copa de Oro, dam Leonor McKay by McKinney; foal by Copa de Oro, dam Phyllis Barnette by The Director General; foal by Copa de Oro, dam Dixie W. by Zolock; foal by Copa de Oro, dam Christianita by Zolock; foal by Copa de Oro, dam Annabelle L. by Hamb. Wilkes; foal by Carlokin, dam Iran Belle by Iran Alto.

Herbert M. Fullerton's foal by MacFoster, dam Alvis by Walter Direct.

E. A. Gammon's foal by Peter McKlyo, dam Cleo Dillon by Sidney Dillon.

L. L. Gilpin, Jr.'s foal by Mesa Grattan, dam Maud Jay C. by Nearest.

Alex. Grant's foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Sona by McKinney.

Heilbron Bros.' foal by Lijero, dam Califa by Silver Bow.

Hemet Stock Farm's foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Fiesta Queen by On Stanley; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Lady Zombro by Zombro; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Eradiate by Geo. W. McKinney; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Little Louise A. by Boodle; foal by Kinney de Lopez, dam Louise Carter by Chestnut Tom.

H. A. Hershey's foal by Jim Logan, dam Palo Maid by Palo King.

Ed. Lavin's foal by George Hammett, dam Stella McKinney by Ed McKinney.

J. S. Maben's foal by Carlokin, dam Zomzar by Zombro.

W. R. Murphy's foal by Bon McKinney, dam Celandine by Ignis Fatuus.

B. F. Rush's foal by Demonio, dam La Moscovita by Guy Wilkes.

Mrs. Jas. Stewart's foal by Copa de Oro, dam Easter D. by Diablo.

A. L. Scott's foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Weatewater by Sidney Dillon; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Lady Nez by Nutwood Wilkes; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Rosie Woodburn by Easter W.; foal by The Bondsman, dam Sibyl Derby by Chas. Derby.

Chas. F. Silva's foal by Moko Hall, dam by Del Coronado; foal by Teddy Bear, dam Camille by Stam B.

C. F. M. Stone's foal by Carlokin, dam Cora Jane by Del Coronado.

L. H. Todhunter's foal by Peter McKlyo, dam Zombowyette by Zombro; foal by Peter McKlyo, dam Zombell by Zombro; foal by Peter McKlyo, dam Osmuda by Bon Voyage.

Valencia Stock Farm's foal by Scout, dam Isabel by Calif. Titus; foal by Scout, dam Rosie by McKinney.

Jay Wheeler's foal by Guacho, dam Carita by Greco B.

M. L. Woy's foal by Stanford McKinney, dam Loma B. by Stam B.; foal by Black Hall, dam Strathalie by Strathway.

Woodland Stock Farm's foal by Robert Bingen, dam Ruby Crellin by C. The Limit; foal by True Kinney, dam The Attraction by Peter the Great; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Silver Haw by Silver Bow; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Mista Lockheart by Lockheart; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Edna Saunders by Axworthy; foal by Peter the Great, dam Carrietta by Directman; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Goldie McKinney by Prince McKinney; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Ella J. by Bob Mason; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Ila Moko by Moko; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Bela Hall by Walnut Hall; foal by Robert Bingen, dam Fair Recluse by Moko.

W. R. Zibbell's foal by Best Policy, dam Kate Lumrey by Shadeland Onward.

CLEVELAND FOLKS TURN "CRACKERS."

Charles and Mrs. Tanner returned home yesterday from a winter spent in Thomasville, Ga. Both the great trainer and his wife were enthusiastic about Thomasville, saying that they enjoyed every minute of their stay there.

"We're Crackers now," said Doc last night. "Regular Georgia Crackers."

The reason for this is that Doc has about closed a deal for one of the famous old mansions in Thomasville that has about fifteen acres adjoining it. It is an attractive place, surrounded by roses, wistaria, jonquils and many more of the flowers that abound in that climate. The place is on the road from the city to the race track.

"We would not have come north so soon," said Mr. Tanner, "but business forced us to come home.

"Everything in Thomasville is looking at its best after a splendid winter of rather cool weather such as it was here today. Members of the Pastime stable are enjoying themselves and they have a right to feel proud of the stable which W. J. Andrews is training for them.

"Every horse in the string is training and while Andrews has not beaten 2:30 with the colts they are doing splendidly and look very promising.

"Honeysuckle 2:14½, the seven-year-old daughter of John A. McKerron, that Mr. Devereux gave to Mrs. Andrews, is showing great form and it would not be surprising if Billy entered her a few places this season. Honeysuckle has trotted in 2:19, quarter in 32 seconds, eighth in 16 seconds, thus far.

"Lee Axworthy has not beaten 2:35, but he is in excellent condition. Mr. Devereux expects to ship some of his colts to Lexington about May 1 where they will be turned out. Charley Mitchell may be turned out there also. Billy Andrews probably will ship direct to North Randall about May 10 if the weather up here is favorable."

Doc Tanner is the third Cleveland horseman to purchase a winter home in Thomasville. Billy Andrews, trainer of the Pastime stable horses, located there last year. During the winter Mr. Devereux bought a big estate and now Tanner has become a regular in the Thomasville colony.—Plaindealer, Apr. 16.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

MATERNAL DUTY AND INFLUENCE.

About this time of the year breeders are occupied with visionary champions for future dog shows. Maybe they are already toddling around, maybe they are not yet out of the nest, or maybe they are expected shortly. Whatever happens to be the exact stage, there are some things in connection with the upbringing of puppies which have not occurred to breeders of limited experience, as well as to those who have been breeding dogs over an extended period.

Among these is the treatment of the mother according to her ideas of maternal duties, also according to the maternal affection displayed, so the breeder should utilize it. Perhaps a better way to put the matter would be to say that maternal influence has as much to do with the mental moulding of puppies as it has in the case of human beings.

First, however, comes the question of maternal duties—that is, from the time of birth to the time when nature steps in and cuts off the mother's supply of milk.

During the first three days after the event let the mother do exactly as she pleases. Do not interfere with her in the slightest or attempt to handle the arrivals. If the mother's manner displays disapproval, let her have her new born to herself.

At the end of three days the bitch's ideas of maternal duties will have disclosed themselves. She will do one of two things—either stick like wax to her young or come out for a breath of fresh air at her master's invitation. Whether she refuses to budge or not she should be taken out and given a few minutes in the open. This she should have three times a day.

As a rule the mother who wants to remain with her puppies grows tired of her care in about ten days or a fortnight and neglects them thereafter. On the other hand, the mother who is ready to go out in the early steps of maternity is invariably fully alive to her duties and her affection for her little ones is more than skin deep.

The writer has heard owners denounce bitches because they left their puppies, to "gad about," as it were. They have gone so far as to give orders to keep the bitch shut up with her litter—a grave and thoughtless mistake.

Such a mother has the true maternal instinct. She knows better than her master when her puppies need nourishment, when they require sleep and how long they should sleep.

By all means let the mother have all the freedom she is willing to enjoy. She will ask to be taken back at the proper time.

The writer has been led to the conclusion that during the first two weeks a bitch lets her puppies suckle about daylight, again after her breakfast and a constitutional, and about every two hours to nine or ten o'clock at night. When the puppies are about three weeks old the mealtime is extended to about every three hours, and at a month this becomes extended to every four hours during the day.

In order to lessen the burden of the mother, the writer always provides the bitch with an extra box, so that she can always be away from her puppies when she feels like it. This is done by taking two sides in a corner of the kennel and two boxes at right angles to the sides, so as to form a miniature yard. One box which is for the puppies faces the yard—at least the entrance does—while the entrance to the other box faces in the opposite direction to the yard; the latter is two or three feet square, according to the length of the boxes. The box, which has its entrance opening away from the yard, should be of a height to enable the bitch to hop comfortably over. Thus, the puppies can come out and flop around without losing their bearings and without annoying their mother.

Without going into the details of feeding, either the mother or the puppies, the maternal "duties" may be accepted as ended and the maternal "influence" as begun. This can be encouraged with appreciable effect until the youngsters are five or six months of age. As has been expressed before, this is assuming the mother to be temperamentally fitted.

To allow puppies to continue close association with their mother means that the writer advocates that puppies need never be weaned in the accepted sense. This can be brought about by providing the mother with a box, the top of which is the entrance and not too high to prevent the mother from jumping up and into it. If the mother is not particularly active she can be taken away at night with one puppy as a sleeping companion.

At all events, let the mother spend the better part of the day with her youngsters. If the latter are getting plenty of good grub at regular intervals be particular in keeping the mother away for not less than two hours after she herself has been fed.

If the puppies are high spirited, impatient of restraint and grab you in temper, do not be hasty and cuff them, at least until they are about four months old. Then and not until then, is it advisable to check them. One or two sharp raps with a thin twig at the right moment will have a beneficial effect.

It is a delight to follow the mental changes undergone by puppies. Up to about three or four months they are boisterous tomboys, full of the devil and too busily engaged in various games of the rough and tumble order to brook interruption. The mother, too, if she be with them, is busy teaching them how to wrestle and spar, and to fight as well. If a youngster shows a disinclination to scrap she will torment it and badger it until in sheer exasperation it will turn passionately on her and bite her until she can be heard to whine with pain. At the same time, however, she is by degrees curbing their impulses. When they go what she thinks is beyond the limit she lets them know, and it is far better that she should do the correcting at this stage than we humans.

At about four months a change in demeanor will be noticed. The puppy begins to realize there are things to be observed and lived up to; then the master should begin to insinuate firmness, in a joking way. Pursue this policy for a month or two and the mother's influence can be dispensed with. Its beneficent effect will endure, however, to the end.

With such perfect understanding established, the mother, as a rule, is proud that her master should know of her bairns, and the master, if he is what the writer has in his mind's eye, will instinctively reward the confidence with sympathy. He will tell the mother what beautiful puppies she has, and so play his part in the compact as to lead the mother to believe that he—the master—is also proud of her newly acquired offspring. This fills the mother's cup of contentment to the brim. Her mental anxiety is reduced to a maximum, thus the youngsters are given a chance to thrive in their helpless suckling days. It is a beginning which means incalculable benefit for the future.

In the meantime, what of the mother? From two to three weeks prior to the expected "arrivals" her meals should be of the sloppy order—i. e., plenty of good soup, with the meat and toasted stale bread, and milk to drink. This should help to bring the mother's supply of milk to the best quality when the time comes. Three or four days before the "event" a good dose of castor oil and salad oil—half and half—should make the internal arrangements as clean as a new pin. Three or four hours after the puppies are born, or rather when after the mother has had a good rest following her labors, offer her some gruel made from well cooked oatmeal and milk. Let her have nothing but this for the first three days. After this discreetly add a meal of good, well skimmed soup, and meat. Do not gorge the mother.

The strain of keeping her puppies at top notch will not begin until they are about a fortnight of age. From that period until the youngsters are "rising" five weeks is the time when the mother's powers are most severely tested. At this stage she requires all the good nourishing food—meat, chiefly meat—she can get. It is as well, too, to be present when she returns to her offspring, so that one may discover whether she gives up her meals to her youngsters. Should she do so either keep her from them for about an hour after she has been fed or give her a duplicate meal for herself; but in either event keep her from her young.

At about four weeks the puppies will be ready to lap themselves. Pure milk, the richer the better—scalded is essential—in small quantities should be offered. One may add that a bitch's milk is much richer than that of a cow, and for this reason a third of cream to two-thirds of pure milk. None nearly approaches the quality of that obtained from the mother. In fact, goat's milk is said by the English authority, Mr. A. J. Sewell, to be the best substitute for the bitch's milk.

At about six weeks the puppies can be given, in addition to the milk, any of the prepared foods given to infants. In course of time, at about two months after birth, say, meat cooked or raw can be introduced. Stale bread baked in the oven with a little beef or mutton dripping on it should be given as an intermediate meal. It makes the little "beggars" chew and so keeps the gastric juices on the hop, as it were.

From now on there need be no change in the diet. Puppies up to four months should be fed four times a day, then three times a day until they have almost reached maturity. After they are nine or ten weeks of age, it is best to feed the youngsters separately. If a table, high box or stand of any sort is placed handy two or more puppies can be fed in separate dishes. By doing this one knows each youngster gets his share, and at the same time puppies fed separately are not so liable to bolt their food.

A hard bone, such as one from a beef rib, or a marrow bone, helps the youngsters in their teething days.

When spring has set in, and thereafter, buttermilk or sour milk, once a week, should be given. Breeders should make a point of this.

If something approaching this system is followed out, and the youngsters have liberty, fresh air and clean, warm, dry sleeping quarters, there should be nothing wrong constitutionally when they have reached maturity.

SCOTH TERRIERS ON THE DECLINE.

According to one of the best known English authorities on dogs, there has been a persistent decline in the registration of Scottish terriers since 1906, and consequently there is a feeling of uneasiness among the fanciers of this breed. In 1906 there were 1,032 Scottish terriers registered in the Stud Book, but in the following year they dropped to 879. The retrogression has proceeded steadily until last year the total was but 600. During all these years there was a gradual diminution in the number of dogs registered except in 1913, when there was an increase of five. One of the reasons assigned for the falling off of interest in the Scottie is that the fanciers are going in stronger for the Sealyhams and West Highland white terriers.

Just as an inkling of how the West Highlanders have come to the fore in the last few years it may be noted that in 1907, when they first received classification, there were but 141, while last year they went up to 631, and Sealyhams were not far behind, with 491. The Cairns are also coming in for favor, as may be seen by the fact that last year there were 200. The Scotties, however, do not seem to be centered in one or two kennels, for in the last year no less than sixteen different owners won challenge certificates.

So much for statistics. What about the dog himself? Mr. McCandlish, who is more capable than most men of reducing his ideal to black and white, has a most interesting retrospect in the Kennel Gazette, which has its lights and shades. On the whole, he is satisfied with the breed, his fly in the amber being that no one is breeding good enough terriers. This he attributes to placing excessive importance upon two points—shortness of back and size. Breeders, arguing that short backs are essential to success, and that a big terrier has no chance, place these features before everything else in selecting sires and dams, often using terriers which have nothing else to recommend them. Mr. McCandlish declares that he likes a small, big boned dog and a short, well coupled body as well as any one; but where most of the present day winners fail is that they have not enough bone, rib and quarters for their size, and, while bodies are short, they are not the right sort of bodies. "The dog has become so contracted that there is no neck, the shoulders are straight and stiff, the hind legs are narrow and high, and there is no liberty of movement. We can never hope to breed good Scotch terriers from stock like this, and we must realize our misdoings and go back to pick up the dropped threads. We must find terriers with good necks and forehands, with good wide hindquarters and muscular thighs, and even if they are a bit long cast or a shade too big we must start with what we can get that is anatomically correctly put together, and gradually breed such animals to size and body length."

This seems to be good, sound common sense. One of the curiosities of breeding is that our best specimens oftener than not come from at least one parent that, considered scientifically in the light of the accepted standard, by no means approaches perfection. The same phenomenon is noticeable in pigeons, numbers of the leading winners coming from only what are known as good stock birds. Only experience can enable a breeder to tell the sort of bitch that is likely to throw good puppies, but when he knows his business he will be able to see at a glance. Of course, I take it that she should possess no glaring defects or weakness, and her ancestry must bear examination. These are commonplaces. My own observation has given me a distinct leaning toward a bitch on the robust side, and I note that Mr. Holland Buckley in his recent monograph, "The Scottish Terrier," plumps for a "doggy" bitch, which amounts to the same thing. "The most strikingly successful results," he says, "so far as I have seen, have all, or nearly all, come from the masculine type of bitch."

It is only right to say that this is in opposition to the view of an astute breeder who is quoted by Mr. Buckley as preferring a feminine looking bitch. A perusal of this little book serves as a useful reminder of the difficulties through which Scottish terrier breeders have passed before finally producing what the author stoutly declares is the most perfect terrier on the Kennel Club list. In the early days of the breed, which do not date so very far back, owners were dealing with entirely unknown quantities, no such things as pedigrees or records existing. While the pedigrees in one line seem to have been preserved with care, others more obscure or doubtful have had to be introduced. In spite of the many changes that have taken place within the last twenty years Mr. Buckley inclines to the belief that the breed type has been pretty generally adhered to.

A practical note to those who wish to keep their terriers in good trim. Seldom wash, for washing softens the coat. Brushing and combing every day will keep them clean and get away the old coat, which, if allowed to remain, makes a dog look woolly and untidy, without any shape. Fuller's earth well brushed in will do a lot for the appearance of the coat.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

LEGAL REASONS FOR DOG LICENSE TAX.

There are many dog owners who question the right to tax their pets when the owner of a cat is not obliged to pay a similar tax. An impression has been held by a host of dog lovers that the basic reason for licensing a dog was that the tag attached to his collar served as a means of ientification in case he went astray. There are a lot of persons now who wonder why under the present regulation whereby a dog must be kept muzzled and leashed there is any reason for such a law. According to an opinion handed down by the Supreme Court of the United States dogs are considered property, and it is on this basis that the right to impose a license tax is established.

The following by Judge Brown referring to dogs and the constitutionality of imposing a license fee on them should prove of interest to dog fanciers:

"They are peculiar in the fact that they differ among themselves more widely than any other class of animals, and can hardly be said to have a characteristic common to the entire race. While the higher breeds rank among the noblest representatives of the animal kingdom and are justly esteemed for their intelligence, sagacity, fidelity, watchfulness, affection, and, above all, for their natural companionship with man, others are afflicted with such serious infirmities or temper as to be little better than a public nuisance.

"As it is practically impossible by statute to distinguish the different breeds, or between the valuable and the worthless, such legislation as has been enacted upon the subject, though nominally including the whole canine race, is really directed against the latter class, and is based upon the theory that the owner of a really valuable dog will feel sufficient interest in him to comply with any reasonable regulation designed to distinguish him from the common herd. Acting upon the principle that there is only a qualified property in them, and that, while private interests require that the valuable ones shall be protected and public interest demands that the worthless shall be exterminated, they have, from time immemorial, been considered as holding their lives at the will of the Legislature, and properly falling within the police power of the several states.

"Although dogs are ordinarily harmless, they preserve some of their hereditary wolfish instincts, which occasionally break forth in the destruction of sheep and other helpless animals. Others, too small to attack these animals, are simply vicious, noisy and pestilent. As their depredations are often committed at night it is usually impossible to identify the dog or fix the liability upon the owner, who, moreover, is likely to be pecuniarily irresponsible. In short, the damages are usually such as are beyond the reach of judicial process, and legislation of a drastic nature is necessary to protect persons and property from destruction and annoyance. Such legislation is clearly within the police power of the State. It ordinarily takes the form of a license tax and the identification of the dog by a collar and tag, upon which the name of the owner is sometimes required to be engraved, but other remedies are not uncommon."

DOINGS IN DOGDOM.

The Golden Gate Kennel Club, which stages its show at Dreamland Rink May 18, 19 and 20, is expecting a large number of entries including good strings from the East. The entries are now being made at the club's headquarters, 528 Market street.

The judges will be Theodore Offerman of New York; Charles R. Wood of Philadelphia; Daniel T. Ritchey of New York; Charles G. Hopton, of Hamilton, Mass., and J. A. Lawrence, of San Francisco.

The Golden Gate officers just elected for the year are: Irving C. Ackerman, president; J. A. Folger, vice-president; Alex Wolfen, secretary, and Benjamin I. Block, superintendent. The bench show committee is composed of Messrs. Ackerman, Folger and Wolfen.

After the three day session at Dreamland, the circuit moves to San Mateo, where the San Mateo Kennel Club will stage an open air show on May 22. The San Jose Kennel Club shows on May 25 and 26, and immediately afterwards the San Rafael Kennel Club will hold its annual spring exhibition.

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Charles Heffernan of Stockton is receiving the condolences of his friends over the loss of his good Airedale terrier, Oorang's Queen. The great terrier was killed by an automobile. Heffernan purchased the dog on the other side only a few months ago and paid a big price for her. Queen was winner in England of 121 first prizes and 14 times was awarded best in show. The dog was never shown on this continent. Heffernan has, however, several puppies from Queen which are sired by Champion Flornell Oorang. They are now two months old and should be rounded into nice shape for the Panama-Pacific show in the late fall.

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The health of puppies and mother depends much on the mental repose of the latter. To possess this, she must have perfect reliance and confidence in whoever cares for her. She must feel assured in herself that the approaching footsteps are no menace to her newly born; that there is no ground for alarm. Further, that the outstretched hand is in the light of a shield, not an uplifted club about to strike.

AMERICA'S FOREMOST HUNTRESS.

Accompanied by her husband, two Indian guides, a horse-wrangler and a cook, Mrs. Frederick K. Burnham, America's foremost huntswoman, stalked big game for fifty-four days in a section of this great American continent that is absolutely unsurveyed, uncharted and unexplored; in fact, the far corners of this vast no man's land have never been penetrated even by the hardy North American Indians. And Mrs. Burnham brought back as her spoils of this chase a record string of trophies, among which was the largest moose killed in Alaska during the season.

Day after day and week after week this doughty little woman, clad in the costume of man, with mackinaw, high boots and trousers, and accompanied by only an Indian guide, "mushed" over this rugged country, wallowing through snow waist deep at times, in search of "big heads" and grizzlies, braving perils that have made many a sturdy trail-blazer falter and turn back.

This was Mrs. Burnham's second excursion into the heart of North America's big game country. But this time she went farther and risked more than ever before—for she was ambitious to establish a record, to land the best string of trophies that have ever been brought out of the North.

"I did not go into the big game country to slaughter wantonly," said Mrs. Burnham. "I was looking for prize specimens—trophies that would excel anything ever bagged before. There were days when we rode and walked mile after mile, seeing countless animals, yet never taking a shot because none of them came up to the standard I was seeking. When we were hunting caribou my guide said to me repeatedly, 'Aren't you ever going to shoot one?' This was after we had passed several herds. 'I don't know,' I replied; 'perhaps not. I won't kill any unless I can get a record head.'"

The heart of the big game country of America is situated in the far interior of Southeastern Alaska and Northwestern British Columbia. It is a rugged, snow-clad country, bleak and desolate, yet with a fascinating grandeur which holds forth an irresistible allure to the hunter. It is a land not only of snow and ice, but also of deep, dank forests and massive mountain peaks with intersecting saw-tooth ranges of solid rock that rise sheer and steep to insurmountable heights. A strange scenic medley, indeed, is this land that has played hide and seek with civilization ever since the world began. Here the wild game of the country found an unmolested habitat until the inroads of the dauntless American huntress and her daring husband blazed a trail that will no doubt be followed in time by all the country's big game hunters.

"It was a dangerous, yet wonderful trip into these Canadian wilds," said Mrs. Burnham. "We outfitted at Wrangle, Alaska, and then portaged up the Stikine river to Telegraph Creek, crossing the panhandle of Southeastern Alaska completely. From Telegraph creek we packed into the territory contiguous to the headwaters of the Killichoa river in British Columbia. Here we discovered that we were all strangers in a strange land. Even the Indians didn't know the country; they all confessed that they had never been there before. This added a new peril to our lot—the danger of getting lost and perishing in this unknown land. The trip overland with the pack-trains was most strenuous . We traveled six days through the sheep country, making only 'one night stands'—that is, just camping for a single night in a place.

"When we struck the territory in the vicinity of the headwaters of the Killichoa—the country never before trod by white man—we discovered that it fairly teemed with game. Here we pitched camp (although we did not stay for more than six days in any one spot) and the hunting really began. Here I was to spend some of the happiest times of my life; to have adventures that would send the blood tingling through me; and, most of all, to bring down with my own rifle a record string of big game trophies."

WHY DO ALL BIRDS GO AWAY?

Although North American birds living in the colder part of the continent return south for the winter, there is no similar movement of birds from the colder to the warmer parts of South America, according to a bulletin (No. 185) of the U. S. Department of Agriculture. If the birds in North America did not go south during the winter, they would perish. Also, if the birds remained in the South later than spring, there would be overcrowding, so they are drawn northward again by the enormous summer supply of bird food. In South America, on the contrary, there are almost no migratory land birds, because the south temperature latitudes, on account of their small area, offer no such inducements to the feathered inhabitants of the limitless forests along the Amazon.

The new pamphlet, which is entitled "Bird Migration," gives much information regarding the habits of the migratory birds of North America. The fact that the routes of migration are long and complex does not mean that these routes were so in the beginning, says the bulletin. In the early ages, flight was probably short, easily accomplished, and comparatively free from danger. Each lengthening of the course was adopted permanently only after experience through many generations had proved its advantages.

There are some who argue that love of birthplace is the impulse which causes spring migration, and these call attention to the seeming impatience of the earliest arrivals. Ducks and geese push northward with the beginnings of open water so early, so far, and so fast that many are caught by late storms and wander disconsolately over frozen ponds and rivers, preferring to risk starvation rather than to retreat. The purple martins often arrive at their nesting boxes so prematurely that the cozy home becomes a tomb if a sleet storm sweeps their winged food from the air. The bluebird's cheery warble we welcome as a harbinger of spring, often only to find later a lifeless body in some shed or outbuilding where the bird sought shelter rather than return to the sunny land so recently left.

As a matter of fact, however, only a small percentage of birds exhibit these preseasonal migration propensities. The great majority remain in the security of their winter homes until spring is so far advanced that the journey can be made easily and with comparatively slight danger; and they reach the nesting spot when a food supply is assured and all the conditions of weather and vegetation are favorable for beginning immediately the rearing of a family.

It may be safely stated that the weather in the winter home has nothing to do with starting birds on the spring migration, except in the case of a few, like some of the ducks and geese, which press northward as fast as open water appears. There is no appreciable change in temperature to warn the hundred or more species of our birds which visit South America in winter that it is time to migrate. It must be a force from within, a physiological change warning them of the approach of the breeding season, that impels them to spread their wings for the long flight.

Some birds migrate by day, but most of them seek the cover of darkness. Day migrants include ducks and geese (which also migrate by night), hawks, swallows, the nighthawk and the chimney swift. The last two, combining business and pleasure, catch their morning or evening meal during a zigzag flight that tends in the desired direction. The daily advance of such migrants covers only a few miles, and when a large body of water is encountered they pass around rather than across it. The night migrants include all the great family of warblers, the thrushes, flycatchers, vireos, orioles, tanagers, shore birds, and most of the sparrows. They usually begin their flight soon after dark and end it before dawn, and go farther before than after midnight.

During migration birds are peculiarly liable to destruction by striking high objects. The Washington Monument, at the National Capital, has witnessed the death of many little migrants; on a single morning in the spring of 1902 nearly 150 lifeless bodies were strewn around its base. As long as the torch in the Statue of Liberty in New York harbor was kept lighted the sacrifice of bird life it caused was enormous, even reaching a maximum of 700 birds in a month.

AFOUL OF GAME LAW.

The State game wardens in the northern portion of California are having a world of trouble in enforcing the trout laws, it is reported. For the first time in many years the mountain streams have run down and are alive with big trout hungry for the fly. This proves irresistible for the small boy, who goes out at every opportunity for a day's fishing.

If it were the youngsters alone who were violating the law designed to protect the spawning fish, they could be easily dealt with, but the trouble is that the grown folks as well are taking a chance to surreptitiously obtain a supply of trout, and this is keeping the wardens busy day and night. Warden Courtright of Modoc county arrested Fred Rider last month for violating the fish law. On searching him he found some fine rainbow trout secreted in his coat pocket.

At Truckee a number of prominent families had trout on their tables that were taken out of Independence lake before the season opened. Deputy Commissioner Mandeville, who has charge of that district, found some of the heads and tails of the trout and started an investigation that lasted day and night, with the result that he was getting so close to many prominent individuals that they considered it best to leave the city for a time.

The claim is made that a great many of the mountain town's aristocracy are included among the violators, who knowingly purchased the fish unlawfully captured, and arrests may follow when the warden has completed his investigations. It is pretty well known that a certain market fisherman took the fish to Truckee via Hobart Mills, and as soon as sufficient evidence can be acquired he will be arrested.

Game Laws Stand Till August.—Changes that may be made in the fish and game laws by the present Legislature will not go into effect until ninety days after the adjournment of the session.

This means that the present laws, even if modified, will be in effect until some time in August. Several open seasons will be changed by laws now before the Legislature, if passed.

Sportsmen Form Association.—The Los Gatos Fish and Game Protective Association was organized recently at Los Gatos, with several well-known business men as sponsors: J. M. Sullivan, president; K. H. Erickson, secretary and treasurer; board of directors, S. D. Balch, F. W. Knowles, E. G. Angell, C. C. Snydam and J. D. Shore.

At the Traps

Golden Gaters' Shoot.—The Golden Gate Gun Club's regular monthly blue rock shoot at West Alameda station last Sunday afternoon drew an attendance of fifty shotgun sportsmen. The card for the day called for a total of 50 birds in three events—two 20 bird and a 10 bird match. The 20 bird events were shot in 10 bird sections.

Barney Worthen, J. F. Dodds and Dick Reed were high guns for the day, with totals of 48 out of 50 each. "Pop" Merrill and Toney Prior were next up with 47 breaks each. Dodds, Putzar and Reed with 19 each were high men in the cup race, event one. Worthen scored a straight 20 in event two, the challenge cup match. Nine shooters each scored 19 birds in this contest. Eight trigger pullers lined up straight runs of 10 in the third event. The scores follow:

Events—	1			2			3	Ttl
Targets—	10	10	Ttl	10	10	Ttl	10	50
B. H. Worthen	9	9	18	10	10	20	10	48
J. F. Dodds	10	9	19	9	10	19	10	48
Dick Reed*	9	10	19	10	9	19	10	48
"Pop" Merrill	9	9	18	9	10	19	10	47
Toney Prior	10	8	18	9	10	19	10	47
Tom Wilkes	9	8	17	9	10	19	9	45
P. Putzar	10	9	19	10	6	16	9	44
A. H. Beetham	8	9	17	10	8	18	9	44
C. A. Haight*	8	9	17	9	10	19	8	43
H. Stelling	8	9	17	9	7	16	10	43
T. D. Riley	10	8	18	9	9	18	7	43
A. Overbaugh	9	9	18	7	9	16	9	43
C. Westerfeld	9	9	18	7	9	16	9	43
Bert Forestier	6	8	14	9	10	19	9	42
C. A. Anderson	8	9	17	10	5	15	10	42
Ed Forster	8	9	17	10	8	18	9	42
H. C. Peet	9	7	16	9	8	17	9	42
H. P. Jacobsen	8	6	14	10	9	19	6	40
J. H. Jones	8	9	17	7	8	15	7	39
R. E. McGill	6	8	14	10	7	17	8	39
P. Pickersgill	8	7	15	9	6	15	8	38
G. Thomas	8	8	16	8	7	15	7	38
F. Moon	7	8	15	7	7	14	9	38
W. H. Price	8	8	16	6	7	13	8	37
Roy Avery	8	5	13	7	10	17	7	37
L. Hawxhurst*	5	7	12	7	9	16	9	37
L. A. Stemfeldt	8	10	18	7	5	12	6	36
E. L. Foster	8	9	17	7	7	14	3	34
F. D. Adams	7	8	15	9	5	14	5	34
P. Swenson	7	8	15	5	9	14	5	34
Miss Meyers	7	5	12	7	8	15	5	32
Eaton	6	7	13	5	8	13	5	31
L. O. Lodge	8	4	12	7	7	14	5	31
A. L. Speetzen	5	6	11	5	7	12	6	29
T. W. Parsons	4	5	9	5	7	12	6	27
E. R. Cuthbert	9	..	9	6	..	6	10	25
McLean	4	5	9	5	5	10	6	25
Bechtell	..	7	7	..	8	8	..	15
Llewellyn	..	..	..	..	..	14	..	14

Following the regular events good scores were shot in 25 bird practice events as follows: Beetham 23, Parsons 16, 17, Peet 20, 21, Eaton 15, 12, McLean 7, 5, Jacobsen 23, 19, Dodds 22, 22, Avery 21, Wilkes 21, Worthen 23, Anderson 22, Riley 21, Prior 24, Overbaugh 22, Cuthbert 24, Meyers 18, Pickersgill 16, Lodge 11, 12, McGill 22, Speetzen 13, Anderson 17, Stelling 20, Haight 23.

Worthen made the long run of the day, 68.

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Newman Tournament.—The Newman Blue Rock two day shoot, April 10 and 11, drew an attendance of 50 shooters. The scores given below were forwarded by Secretary C. R. Dixon and give the totals for a card of ten 20 bird races each day, counting on average.

Harry Ogelvie of Lindsay shot amateur high average with 382 out of 400, Toney Prior, of San Francisco, and O. N. Ford, of San Jose, tied for second with 380, M. G. Leffler, of Stockton, third with 375, W. P. Sears , of Los Banos, 373, C. H. Nash, of San Jose, 373, J. T. Dodds, of Imperial, 372.

High averages the first day, 200 targets were: Toney Prior 195, Ogelvie 192, Barker 190. Second day, Ford 192, Ogelvie 190, Prior 185.

High professional averages were: Dick Reed 380 x 400, Hugh Poston 371, L. Hawxhurst 369, Fred Willet 365, C. H. Knight 362. Poston shot high average the first day, Reed 191 the second day.

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Ttl
Targets—1st Day—	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	200
2nd Day—	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	200
R. C. Reed*	19	16	19	18	19	18	20	20	20	20	189
	20	19	19	19	18	20	19	19	19	19	191
Mrs. Ada Schilling	16	19	17	19	17	18	18	18	19	18	179
	17	17	19	15	19	17	17	19	17	18	175
J. F. Dodds	17	19	18	19	19	17	19	20	20	20	188
	18	19	18	19	16	20	20	19	18	17	184
L. Simson	15	19	19	17	16	16	17	19	18	13	169
	17	16	13	16	16	15	16	16	13	20	158
G. J. Hoffmann	17	16	15	18	19	17	16	16	18	18	170
	15	19	14	13	17	17	16	14	14	18	158
O. N. Ford	18	19	20	19	18	20	18	18	20	18	188
	19	19	18	20	19	19	19	20	19	20	192
C. H. Nash	19	19	20	20	16	19	20	17	19	18	187
	18	19	18	20	19	20	19	19	16	18	186
Dr. A. M. Barker	19	19	18	20	19	18	19	20	19	19	190
	19	19	20	17	17	17	17	19	17	19	181
A. F. Baumgartner	16	18	20	18	20	17	18	18	15	18	178
	16	18	18	16	18	19	18	19	14	18	174
G. H. Anderson	19	19	18	16	20	19	19	17	20	19	186
	19	18	20	18	18	16	20	17	20	18	184
Toney Prior	20	20	19	19	20	20	20	20	19	18	195
	20	17	18	19	18	20	19	20	17	17	185
F. K. Burnham	19	20	19	16	18	19	19	20	20	18	188
	19	14	18	17	19	18	17	14	13	16	166
C. H. Knight*	17	19	19	16	17	19	20	20	20	19	186
	15	18	16	19	18	20	19	18	18	15	176
D. J. Ruhstaller	18	16	20	18	18	16	20	18	19	16	179
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Moraga Gun Club.—C. A. ("Pop") Merrill, one of California's veteran shooters, has recently organized a new gun club at Moraga. On May 9 a tournament will be held and several beautiful cups will be placed in competition. This will be a bird handicap event and all shooters will be placed on an equal basis.

An inviting luncheon will be served free to all participants and a good time is assured every one. It is the desire to make this official opening shoot a memorable one, so make your arrangements to be there.

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Those desiring to participate on May 9, kindly notify C. A. Merrill at 343 Thirteenth street, Oakland, as soon as possible in order to be listed for a program and further information which will follow.

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Southern Handicap.—The Interstate Association's tenth Southern Handicap will come off at Memphis, Tenn., May 11, 12 and 13. There will be $1000, or more, added money. Practice day, May 10, the card will be five 20 bird events, Rose system.

First day, ten 15 bird events, Squier money back system, special event at 25 doubles.

Second day, five 20 target events, Squier money back system. Event 6, Preliminary Handicap, 100 targets, high guns, three high guns, Interstate trophies.

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Tomorrow's Powder Puffs.—The Exposition City Gun Club members and visiting shooters will practically open the Easton trap grounds tomorrow for the club blue rock season. Inclement weather and Easter Sunday caused a postponement of the club's initial 1915 shoot previously.

Interstate Association Tournaments—

May 11, 12, 13—The Interstate Association Tenth Southern Handicap Tournament, Memphis, Tenn., under the auspices of the Memphis Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Southern Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

June 15, 16, 17—The Interstate Association's Tenth Western Handicap Tournament, St. Louis, Mo., under the auspices of the Missouri Athletic Association Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Western Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

July 8, 9, 10—The Interstate Association's Tenth Pacific Coast Handicap Tournament, San Diego, Cal., under the auspices of the Pastime Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Pacific Coast Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

August 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chicago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy, and the winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

April 26, 27—Oregon State Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Ore.

April 28—"T. B." Trap and Gun Club, Lieut. Stephen W. Wallace, Secretary, Las Animas, Colo.

May 5—Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n Tournament, A. R. Bain, Secretary, Springville, Utah.

May 14—Pueblo Gun Club, F. S. Rainey, President, Pueblo, Colo.

May 18, 19—Washington State Tournament, under the auspices of the Seattle Trap Shooters Ass'n, Hugh Fleming, Secretary, Seattle Wash.

May 26, 27—Delta County Gun Club, Nick Powell and R. A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

May 29, 30—Utah State Tournament, under the auspices of the Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n, A. R. Bain, Secretary, Salt Lake City.

May 29, 30, 31—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary, San Jose.

June 3, 4, 5—Annual Tournament of Rocky Mountain Interstate Sportsmen's Association, under auspices of Mile High Gun Club, Wm. M. Bowman, Secretary, Denver, Colo.

June 7, 8, 9—Sportsmen's Ass'n of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Ore.

July 1, 2—Vancouver Gun Club, C. A. Porter, Secretary, Vancouver, Can.

July 5—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President, Eureka, Cal.

July 5—Sunrise Gun Club, H. S. Hill, Secretary, Sunrise, Wyo.

July 5—Holbrook Gun Club, J. S. Hulet, Secretary, Holbrook, Ariz.

July 9, 10—Gem City Gun Club. Max Weick, Secretary, Laramie, Wyo.

July 10—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, W. S. Short, Secretary, Chehalis, Wash.

July 12—Rawlins Rod and Gun Club, H. Breitenstein, Secretary, Rawlins, Wyo.

July 12, 13, 14—Los Angeles Gun Club, Fred H. Teeple, Secretary, Venice, Cal.

July 19, 20, 21, 22—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary, Tacoma, Wash.

August 10—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

INTERNATIONAL SHOOTING TOURNAMENT.

Marksmen of California, and of the whole Pacific Slope, are jubilant over the decision of the Exposition authorities to permit the use of the telescope sight in the big international Panama-Pacific shooting tournament to be held on the Shell Mound range from August 8 to September 26. Whether the telescope sight would or would not be permitted was a mooted question all over the country. This decision means that some of the greatest marksmen of the country will attend the tournament. Some of the leading marksmen of the bay district are practicing daily for the big shoot, the most important shooting tournament in the history of this country. There will be matches for soldiers, sailors, recruits and veterans, cadets, students of academies and colleges, indoor and outdoor contests, natural and artificial light, rifles, pistol and revolver shooting.

The tournament will be inaugurated by a brilliant military demonstration, in which civic bodies will participate. The officers in charge predict that fully 40,000 men will be in line on that occasion. Many shooting societies from all sections of the country will be represented.

TRADE NOTES.

A Pacific Coast Squad Record.

At Newman, Cal., April 10-11, registered tournament a Pacific Coast five man squad record was established when Toney Prior, Fred K. Burnham, Chas. H. Knight, D. J. Ruhstaller and M. F. Leffler made the consecutive scores of 97, 98 and 99, losing only six targets out of a possible three hundred. Four of the squad used the famous Red W. "Leader" loaded shells and two used Winchester repeating shotguns—"the kind the champions use." Four of the squad won individual long run gold trophies, each man using the Red W. brand.

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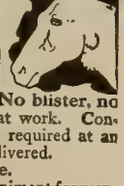


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(dam of Bondalean (2) 2:20½) by Tom Smith 2:13¼, dam Kate Lumry 2:20½ (dam of 5 trotters including Baby Doll 2:10¼, Ella Mac 2:11½, etc.) by Shadeland Onward 2:18½. Katalina was a stake winner, a great aged trotter, and her first foal is a fast, standard performer. She breeds regularly and will become more famous as a producer than is her dam.

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ALARICH 2:11¼ (Breeder's mark 2:09), trotter, bay gelding with black points, 15.3, handsome, sound, fast and game; trialed at Santa Rosa last season in 2:06¾ and can do it again. Is a first class doer, can race twice a week and is eligible to the 2:13 class trots on mile tracks and to the 2:18 class on half-mile tracks; has shown well on the twice-arounds. Price, $550.

HELEN BELLE (2) 2:22½, breeder's record, bay filly, foaled 1912, good gaited, good headed, sound and extremely fast; was taken up absolutely green on Sept. 3 and has developed in a most satisfactory manner, taking her mark in December, since which time she has been an eighth in :16, half in 1:09. Sired by California's greatest sire of colt trotters, CARLOKIN 2:07½. First dam Carolyn C. by Axtell (3) 2:12 (a champion); second dam by Expedition, sire of Bon Voyage 2:08; third dam by Princeps (son of Woodford Mamb.); fourth dam by Hambletonian 10.
Carolyn C. had two minute speed. This great filly is entered and paid up in the Occident stake, the State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A., and Oregon Futurities for 1915. The best buy in California at $1400.

NELLIE Mc,
black mare, trotter, eight years old, racing sound but is blemished; has always trained sound and I believe will continue to do so. Trialed at Sacramento in 2:10½ and has been a half lately in 1:03¾. Is a splendid mannered mare—anyone can drive her anywhere. She races first class, is fast, good headed, good gaited and dead game.
Sired by ZOLOCK 2:05¼, dam by Wilkes Moor, son of Guy Wilkes.
Stands about 15.3, is a round made extra good looking mare, weighs about 1140, has splendid legs and feet. She negotiates a half mile circle in A-1 style, should surely beat 2:10 this year. Does not pull a pound and can be placed anywhere. Eligible to any class. Price $750.

CARLETA,
bay filly, two years old, by CARLOKIN, dam ALEXANDRIA, tr. 2:20, by Bon Voyage 2:08; second dam by Oakland Baron 2:09¼; third dam by Allandorf, etc.
This is a good trotter and should be prominent in her stake engagements. Is very handsome, good headed, sound and comes from families noted for early speed. In training now and improving very fast; trialed recently, half mile in 1:11½, eighth in :16¾.
She is entered and paid up to date in the following stakes: Panama-Pacific $3,000 for two-year-olds, Stanford, Occident, State Fair, P. C. T. H. B. A. and Pleasanton Futurities. Price $1200.

O M A R, gelding,
trotter, trial 2:13¾, half in 1:05, eighths in :15; good headed, sound and can be depended upon. Is a beautifully gaited big horse and should prove useful to race over the twice arounds or for a matinee and road horse. He is fearless and is one of the most pleasant driving horses I have ever ridden behind. Stands slightly over 16 hands, weighs about 1200, is eight years old. Sired by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam Pineapple by Albion (son of General Benton). A present at $350.00.

CARLSCHEN (2) 2:23, breeder's record, brown gelding by CARLOKIN, dam BONNIE AILSIE 2:08½ (dam of Contention B. (3) 2:08¼) by Faustino, son of Sidney.
Trialed with a little work last year a half in 1:09, is extremely promising and looks to be as good a prospect as any of the colts racing last year in the two-year-old trots. Is engaged in several of the futurities including the P. C. T. H. B. A., Pleasanton and State Fair Futurities. Is a splendid type, beautifully gaited, good headed and has extreme speed. He does it right. Worked recently in 2:17¾, half in 1:06. Sound, sold to close a partnership. The cheapest colt in the west at the price—$800.

HERMES, brown colt,
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JOHNNY DUGAN,
3-yr.-old breeder's record 2:16,
pacer, no straps, bay gelding four years old, straight and sound, trialed a half in 1:04 last year in his three-year-old form and could pace around 2:10 in June.
Sire, CARLOKIN 2:07½; dam Annabelle L. (full sister to Murray M. and Robert L. 2:08¾) by Hambletonian Wilkes; second dam Annabelle 2:27½ (dam of La Belle 2:16); third dam by Williamson's Belmont. A great buy at $350.00.

OLD FOLKS,
bay gelding, trotter, five years old, trialed as a two-year-old in 2:31½, as a three-year-old in 2:18½, and in his four-year-old form last May in 2:11, last half in 1:04. Is sound, good gaited, good headed, and should 2:08 this year. Comes from a family of good race horses on both sides—by DEL CORONADO 2:09½, dam IRAN BELLE, by Iran Alto 2:12¼; second dam ANNABELLE, etc. He stands A-1 with the railbirds around Los Angeles and is in training and ready to go on with and race this year. Price $1250. Working beautifully.

NICOLA B. (2) 2:23¼
Winner two-year-old division Oregon Futurity, 1914.
Received slight injury just prior to going to the races in 1914, up to which time he was the most promising colt in my stable, working mile first part of June in 2:17, half in 1:06. Started twice, was once first, once second. Now in training and has brushed an eighth lately in :16; sound, grand individual, paid up in six western stakes and has every license to win. Son of Carlokin 2:07½ and Atherine 2:16¾, dam of Copa de Oro 2:01, Rags 2:09¼, etc. The price on this one is rising—now $2500. Getting better daily.

AND ONE FOR THE $20,000 P.-P. I. E. TROTS—RAGS 2:09¼, winner of the Breeder's and Oregon Futurities, the Stanford and the Occident stakes as a three-year-old, and the Governor's Stake, $5000, as a four-year-old—in all, beaten in but two out of eight starts, second in those two, and beaten only by 2:05 trotters. In my opinion as good a prospect for the big stakes as anyone has. He is a really great race horse, is racing sound, and has developed from an overgrown four-year-old into a sturdy, strong, exceptionally fine individual. Should be engaged in the Panama-Pacific $20,000 stakes, for which I already have entries. None better bred—by Del Coronado and out of the dam of Copa de Oro 1:59, etc. Price $2000.

In addition to the ones above mentioned I will offer to intending buyers JIM CRAM, three-year-old pacer (brother to Chango 2:12¼), the two-year-old pacer SANDY McNABB (staked), FIVE YEARLINGS and SIX TWO-YEAR-OLDS, most of which are in training and ready to show.

Prices and descriptions on application.

WILLIAM G. DURFEE, 2019 S. Figueroa St., LOS ANGELES, CAL.

COPA DE ORO 1:59
WINNING PERFORMANCE

DURFEE'S STALLIONS

CARLOKIN 2:07 1-2
EXHIBITION MILE 2:05 1-4

Champion Pacing Stallion of the West and Sire of a Champion

Reg. No. 52785. Licensed Pure Bred. Cert. No. 1037



Golden Bay. Height 15.3½. Weight 1160.

Sire of CONTENTION B. (2) 2:24¼, (3) 2:08¼, the latter mark a world's record when made, and but one-quarter of a second removed from present record for three-year-old pacing geldings. Public trial (3) 2:07¼. Also sire of

Chango p. (3).....2:12¼	De Ora (3) 2:17
2-yr.-old record 2:13½.	2-yr.-old record 2:27¼.
Trial (3) 2:09	Gold Lily p. (2)....2:24½

Patrick de Oro p (3)2:22¼, trial (3) 2:08¼, ½-mi. track

Copa de Oro has been retired to the stud for but a very few years and these are from his first foals. Where can you find a stallion whose get have made an equal showing?

COPA DE ORO is the fastest son of Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ (sire of 8 in 2:10); first dam Atherine 2:16¾ (great brood mare) by Patron 2:14¼, sire of the dams of 7 in 2:10; second dam Athene (dam of 2 trotters, etc.) by Harold 413, sire of Maud S. 2:08¾ and the dams of 5 in 2:10; third dam Minerva (great brood mare) by Pilot Jr. 12, sire of the dams of Maud S. 2:08¾ and 3 others in 2:10, etc. He is one of the handsomest horses in the world, as well as one of the fastest, and is undoubtedly the best bred of all extremely fast pacing sires. From the first I heralded him as the Coast's future great pacing sire, and the performances of his youngsters recorded above certainly show that I had most excellent grounds for that belief.

FEE: $75 For the Season, Usual Return Privilege

I am especially well equipped for caring for mares at reasonable rates in any way that owners may desire. Every attention will be given mares in my charge, but no responsibility is assumed for accidents or escapes. Further particulars may be had by applying to W. G. DURFEE, 2019 So. Figueroa St., Los Angeles, Cal.

Champion Trotter and Champion Sire of Trotters in the West

Reg. No. 36548. Licensed Pure Bred. Cert. No. 1038



Mahogany Bay. Height 15.1½. Weight 1060.

Sire of ESPERANZA (3) 2:09, only three-year-old to win every trotting stake for that age on the Pacific coast, and also the following colt performers:

Ethel D. (3).....2:11	Helen Belle (2)....2:22½
Johnny Dugan p (3)2:16	Nicola B. (2).....2:23½
John Warwick (2) 2:17	Santiago (3) 2:24¼
The Lark (3).....2:18½	May Marian p (3)..2:24¼
Carl (2) 2:19¾	Carlrich p (2) 2:24½
Miss Carlokin p 2:20	El Carbine (2).....2:27½
Carsto (2) 2:22½	Eileen C. (3) 2:29
Carlschen (2) 2:23	Carlos (2) 2:29¼
Fulton G. (2).....2:30	

CARLOKIN is the best bred son fo McKinney 2:11¼, foremost among the progenitors of 2:10 speed, being out of that sterling producing matron Carlotta Wilkes (dam of Inferlotta 2:04¾, Mary Dillon 2:06¼, Guy Borden 2:07¼, Carlokin 2:07½, and 6 others in 2:30) by Charley Wilkes 3653; second dam Aspasia (dam of 4) by Alcantara 2:23, sire of the dams of 20 in 2:10; third dam Miss Buchanan (dam of 1) by Clark Chief 89, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10, etc. Carlokin was not only a fast and rugged campaigner, but, point for point, one of the most ideal individuals ever foaled. I chose him from among all the best horses of the country as a prospective great sire, and in 1913-1914 his get won more coast futurities than those of all other sires combined. What more could you ask of them?

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Pleasanton Driving Park

offers for service for the season of 1915 the following stallions:

Joe Patchen II 2:03¼

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 1128.
A. T. R. No. 47491

BEST MONEY WINNING PACER

By JOE PATCHEN 2:01¼, sire of Dan Patch 1:55¼ and 6 others in 2:10. Dam, Bessie Bonehill 2:05¾ (dam of 2 in 2:10) by Empire Wilkes 2:29¼; second dam Arab Girl (dam of 7) by Crittenden 433, sire of the dams of 6 in 2:10.

Joe Patchen II comes from a long line of famous ancestors and is himself one of the best known and most popular pacers in America, with all the qualities of speed, stamina and individual excellence necessary to the making of a truly great horse—one of the kind you would expect to find after a glance over the array of famous performers owning allegiance to the families from which he comes. He is an excellent breeder, transmitting uniformly his own desirable characteristics and his few foals in California are promising to the highest degree.

Mahomet Watts 2:08¼

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 2312.
A. T. R. No. 51518.

AXWORTHY ELECTIONEER

By GEN. WATTS (3) 2:06¾, sire of three three-year-old trotters in 2:10. Dam Alla P. 2:21¼ (dam of 3) by Palo Alto 2:08¾, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10; second dam Lula Wilkes (dam of 5), by George Wilkes 2:22, sire of the dams of 15 in 2:10.

Mahomet Watts is not only the fastest performer credited to Gen. Watts (3) 2:06¾ (whose breeding on qualities have been prime factors in the rise of the great house of the Axworthys) but he springs on the maternal side from the most firmly established families of champion producers—those of Electioneer and George Wilkes. He is a pleasing individual of fine finish and extreme speed, having a three-year-old record of 2:10 and being timed separately in a race last year in 2:05¾, whose services should be most welcome to California breeders.

Fee for Joe Patchen II or Mahomet Watts, $100 with usual return privilege

Service fee refunded to owners of mares bred to Mahomet Watts proving not with foal.

Vernon McKinney 2:01½

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 1126.
A. T. R. No. 53803.

FASTEST OF THE McKINNEYS

By GUY McKINNEY 37625, son of McKinney 2:11¼, dam by Guy Wilkes. Dam Maud Vernon by Mount Vernon 2:15¼, sire of the dam of Leata J. 2:03, etc.; second dam Mag by Gen. McClellan, sire of the dam of Mack Mack 2:08, etc.

No member of the McKinney family excells Vernon McKinney in point of speed or individual excellence. He is a horse of much substance—16 hands, 1200 pounds—bred in lines of intense prolificacy and evidencing in every way his ability to "live up to his pedigree." No horse has greater natural speed or a more effortless way of going. He is a sure breeder and his youngsters are the readiest sellers of their age in California—a statement proven by recent sales and tentative offerings for the get of mares due to foal to him this year.

Zomblack 2:26, tr. 3, 2:08¾

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 1127.
A. T. R. No. 54955

BEST SON OF ZOMBRO

By ZOMBRO 2:11, sire of twenty and the dams of three in 2:10.

Dam, Madeline Marshall (dam of 2) by Demonio 2:11¾, sire of 7 and dam of 1 in 2:10; second dam Mamie Comet (dam of 3) by Nutwood 2:18¾, sire of 2 and dams of 21 in 2:10.

Zomblack is one of the handsomest horses ever foaled in California as well as one of the fastest. His extreme speed came to him early and naturally, and he is unexcelled in size and conformation—an ideal type of the American trotter in every important respect. He is intensely bred in speed producing lines and we have no hesitation in advancing the claim that he is the very best son of Zombro 2:11, in his turn the best son of McKinney. In every instance the families represented in his pedigree are breeding on most successfully.

Fee for Vernon McKinney or Zomblack, $50 with usual return privilege

The best of care taken of mares in any manner owners may desire, but no responsibility assumed for accidents or escapes. Address for particulars

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Sired by KINNEY LOU 2:07 3-4

Sire of
Wilbur Lou 2:10¼
True Kinney (2) 2:19
21 Standard Performers

Son of McKinney 2:11¼ and Mary Lou 2:17



Dam LOUISE CARTER 3, 2:24

Dam of
Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼
Mamie Alwin 2:12
Martin Carter (3) 2:29¾

Daughter of Chestnut Tom 2:15 by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½

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Limited number of approved mares at $100 the season.

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The five (5) owned by the Hemet Stock Farm showed as follows:

FIESTA LOU, record 2:25,	half-mile track,	½ mile—1:08¾	
SELMA PALEY, trotted	½ mile 1:13¾;	one-eighth—	:17¾
GOLDSMITH LOU	"	¼ mile	:35½
GERTRUDE RIVES	"	¼ mile	:36¾
BILLIE BOYD	"	¼ mile	:38

This includes the entire get of WILBUR LOU.

KINNEY de LOPEZ 2:23,

Son of KINNEY LOU 2:07¾ and BETSY DIRECT by Direct 2:05½

$50 THE SEASON

KINNEY DE LOPEZ is the sire of DON DE LOPEZ, trial one-half as a yearling 1:13¾, one-eighth 17½ seconds; could have trotted in standard time as a yearling. KINNEY DE LOPEZ is certain to sire early speed.

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The only son of Jay McGregor 2:07¼ on the Pacific Coast, and the only stallion in California whose sire and dam both have records faster than 2:10.



Onward McGregor

TROTTING RECORD (3) 2:23¼.
YEARLING TRIAL QUARTER IN :33.

Bay horse, black points. Height 16 hands, weight 1100 lbs. Licensed Non-Standard, Cert. No. 24.

First dam MARY GORDON 2:09¾ by GORDON 3127 (son of Onward 2:25¼); second dam Nell by Young Octoroon, sire of Shadow (dam of 4 and grandam of Peter the Great 2:07¼. J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, etc.) Will make a limited season of 20 mares at Pleasanton Driving Park at $35 with usual return privilege. Every mare bred to him this year will be nominated in the Breeders and State Fair Futurities for foals of 1916 and first payment made by his owner. Address for all particulars

BERT WEBSTER, Manager,
Pleasanton, Cal.

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JIM LOGAN 2:01¾

(3) 2:05½, world's record to 1912 and yet the fastest third heat ever paced by stallion of that age; (5) 2:04¼, (6) 2:03¼, (7) 2:02¾, (8) 2:01¾, race record for Pacific Coast.

Licensed Pure Bred—Cert. No. 1028.
Registry No. 44997.

All winning race records.

Sire of MAXINE (3) 2:15 Winner Pacing Division Pacific Breeders Futurity 1914

Trial in 2:09, half in 1:01, quarter in :29 as a three-year-old.

Son of CHARLES DERBY 2:20, brother to Klatawah (3) 2:05½, etc., and sire of TEN in 2:10.

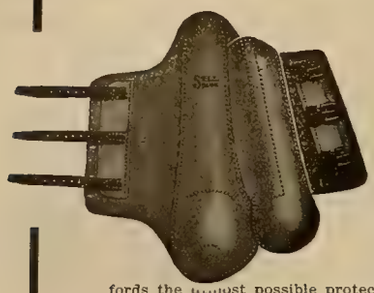
Dam, EFFIE LOGAN, California's greatest producer of extreme speed (dam of Jim Logan 2:01¾, Sir Albert S. 2:03¾, and Dan Logan 2:07½, sire of John Malcolm (2) 2:11½, champion two-year-old of 1913), by Durfee 11256; second dam Ripple, by Prompter 2305, sire of the dam of Gratt 2:02¼, etc.; third dam Grace (dam of Daedalion 2:08½, Creole 2:15 and Eagle 2:19½), by Buccaneer 2656, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10; fourth dam Mary, great broodmare, by Flaxtall.

JIM LOGAN is not only a horse of most acceptable size and pleasing conformation, but is one of the most rugged campaigners ever raced. After acquiring a world's record as a three-year-old he reduced his record every year raced and is a sound horse today—no more eloquent testimony of his genuine natural qualities could be given. Of his very few living foals, every one trained has shown speed in convincing quantity, and the only one to be raced, Maxine (3) 2:15, began her career as a futurity winner. Could you ask more of a well bred horse than that he be a champion campaigner and transmit his qualities to his get?

In the stud, season of 1915, at Woodland Race Track

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From the family of Bingen 2:06¼, foremost among present day champions of all ages and gaits.

Son of The Exponent 2:11¾ (by Bingen, dam Iva Dee by Onward 2:25¼), sire of 32 performers including The Temptress 2:08½, 6 three-year-olds, 20 two-year-olds and 1 yearling.

First dam Chord 2:27 (dam of 4) by Wilkes Boy 2:24½, sire of 4 and the dams of 11 in 2:10; second dam Sonata (dam of 3) by Dictator 113, sire of 2 and the dams of 7 in 2:10; third dam Cadenza (dam of 2) by King Rene 1278, sire of the dams of 2 in 2:10; fourth dam Virgie Wilkes (dam of 4) by Geo. Wilkes 2:22, sire of the dams of 16 in 2:10.

In the stud, season of 1915, at Pleasanton Driving Park, at $50 the season with return privilege. We have colts in training to show his qualities as a sire. Grandsons of Bingen are siring champions such as Etawah 2:03½, Anna Bradford (3) 2:00¾, etc. Address for all particulars,

KEEFER & SPENCER, Pleasanton, Cal.

Grandly Bred A Colt Trotter A Proven Sire

Bon McKinney 51480



Cal. State License. Pure Bred No. 1213.

Three-year-old record 2:24½; trial (3) 2:15, 1:05.

Sire of

Bon Courage (2) 2:12¾ **Bon Bell (3) 2:17¾**

Son of BON VOYAGE 2:08 and DAPHNE McKINNEY (dam of Frank N. 2:07¼, etc.), by McKinney 2:11¼; second dam La Moscovita (dam of Bon Guy (3) 2:11¾ and 2 others) by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼; third, fourth and fifth dams also in great brood mare list. Bay horse, in every respect a great individual, with substance, finish, and natural, frictionless trotting action. Very sure foal getter and a steadily rising young sire, his few foals possessing his most excellent qualities to a marked degree. Bon Courage was the only California bred three-year-old to win a heat from Esperanza in 1914.

In the stud, season of 1915, at the Rush & Haile Ranch, Suisun, Cal., season closing August 1st. Fee, $25 with return privilege, payable cash at time of removal of mare. Good pasturage at $2.50 per month. For further particulars address

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Derbertha Bells



Licensed Pure Bred, Cert. No. 1172.

NO. 60907 A. T. R. RULE 1.

DERBERTHA BELLS, foaled 1911, stands 15.3, weighs 1200 pounds, and is of magnificent conformation, style, trotting action and color; being a solid dark bay or brown with splendid mane and tail, massive well-formed limbs and feet, beautiful neck and head, fine, well set ear and eye as kindly as a fawn's and as courageous as a lion's. His breeding can only be hinted at here as he traces 20 times to Hambletonian 10—5 through Electioneer, 5 through George Wilkes, 4 through Strathmore and 4 through Abdallah 15 (the big four of the sons of Hambletonian), and twice through his daughters. This breeding is perfectly balanced by 18 crosses to Mamb. Chief 11—5 of these through his greatest son Mamb. Patchen 58 (leading progenitor of the dams of trotting sires), backed up by 2 crosses to Pilot Jr. 12, 4 to Black Hawk 5, 4 to Imp. Trustee and crosses to such other famous broodmare sires as American Star, The Moor, A. W. Richmond, Williamson's Belmont, etc.

I challenge any man to name a stallion with a broodmare inheritance approaching that of Derbertha Bells,—5 crosses to Green Mountain Maid (dam of 9 and Electioneer), 3 to Alma Mater (dam of 8 and 7 sires, including Alcyone and Alcantara), and 1 each to Miss Russell (dam of 7, including Maud S. 2:08¾ and 6 sires, including Nutwood), Dolly (dam of 4 and 5 sires, including Director, Onward and Thorndale), Beautiful Bells (dam of 11, including 4 world's champions and 10 sires) and Minnehaha (dam of 8 and 6 sires). These are pre-eminently the greatest mares of history in point of number of descendants in the standard list, besides 2 crosses to Bertha, the only mare with 2 in 2:04½, 5 in 2:10 and 13 in the list. Counting duplicates this pedigree contains the blood of 20 mares with an average of 9 performers each, and of the 14 mares appearing in the pedigree of two or more 2:10 trotters in 1910 this pedigree contains 8.

His disposition and deportment are in perfect harmony with his superlative breeding and conformation, all that could be desired. I own a yearling filly by him that stamps him as a sire of the first rank, and I invite the most critical inspection both of him and his get. He will be allowed a few choice mares at $25.00 the season with usual return privilege. Tabulated pedigree upon request.

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Peter The Great

Is the world's foremost progenitor of extreme speed; sire of 30 in 2:10, etc.

HIS SON

PETER McKLYO 3, 2:12 1-2

Cal. State License Pure Bred 2339

will make the season of 1915 in the training stable of James Thompson at the San Jose Driving Park beginning March 15 and ending July 1.

PETER McKLYO (3) 2:12½, the only California-owned son of Peter the Great of an age permitting stud duty, is out of a great-bred young matron by Jay McGregor 2:07¼—Klyo (2) 2:29½; second dam Miss Spears 2:21¾ (dam of 6 including Shakespeare (3) 2:09¾); third dam Medium's Last (dam of 7 including Trampfast (2) 2:14¼); fourth dam Suzanne (dam of 1 and grandam of 10 including Susie J. 2:06½).

This colt is four years old, having obtained his record last season with a very limited amount of work. He came into my hands perfectly green in February, 1914, and developed speed so fast that I had to take his shoes off and jog him for two months barefooted. Being by Peter the Great, the sire of the century, and, as you will notice, out of a daughter of Jay McGregor, another wonderful family of horses, he is one of the best bred young horses in the world and I can truthfully say he is one of the very best individuals that I ever had the pleasure of looking at. He can trot a quarter in 30 seconds, and I am firmly of the opinion that he will trot a mile this fall in 2:06 or better.

Fee, $75 the season with return privilege. Mares pastured at usual rates and accorded best of care, but no responsibility assumed for accidents or escapes. Service fee and pasture bills must be paid before removal of mares. Address for all particulars

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JAMES THOMPSON, San Jose Driving Park, San Jose, Cal.



EXPRESSIVE MAC 2:25 1-2

A. T. R No. 41513 Licensed Pure Bred, Cert. No. 1041.

Clara Mac 2:04½ Sire of **Vera Hal 2:05**

Only stallion in California to sire a new 2:05 performer in 1914, and one of three stallions in U. S. to sire two new ones in 2:05 that season.

Also sire of Madam Mac (4) 2:10¼, trial 2:07; Eddy Mac (3) 2:29½, trial 2:13; Nellie Mac, trial 2:18 trotting, good for 2:10 this year, and numerous others with fast trials. In four show classes at Fresno his colts won three firsts, one second.

Son of McKINNEY 2:11¼ and the great brood mare EXPRESSIVE 2:12½ by ELECTIONEER 125. Ideal in color, size and conformation—seal brown, height 16½ hands, weight 1275 pounds. Permanently in the stud at my ranch three miles south of Selma, at $25 the season, usual return privilege, or $35 to insure. Good pasture for mares at $2 per month and best of care given. No responsibility assumed for accidents or escapes. Address for all particulars

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Offers for Service for the Season of 1915

PRINCE ANSEL

CERT. 1062

2, 2:20½ A. T. R. 29220

Sire of
Prince Lot 2:07¾
Joseph Ansel (3) 2:12¾
Lottie Ansel (2) 2:14¼
Laura Rogers 2:11¼
Adansel (3) 2:14½
Arista Ansel (2) 2:18¼, etc.
And the dams of
John Malcolm (2) 2:11½, etc.

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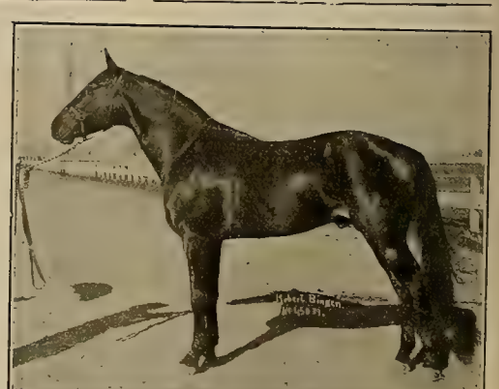
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2:11¼ A. T. R. 45033

Best Bred Son of

BINGEN 2:06 1-4

Sire of Uhlan 1:58; 14 in 2:10
First dam Episode 2:18 half sister to Peter the Great 2:07¾
Second dam Santos, dam of Peter the Great 2:07¾, J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, etc.



ROBERT BINGEN, in every way one of the most desirable horses ever offered for service in California, represents the families whose blood is most eagerly sought by successful breeders today—Bingen and Peter the Great. He is the only son of Bingen standing for service in California and his book is rapidly filling. Fee, $75 by the season.

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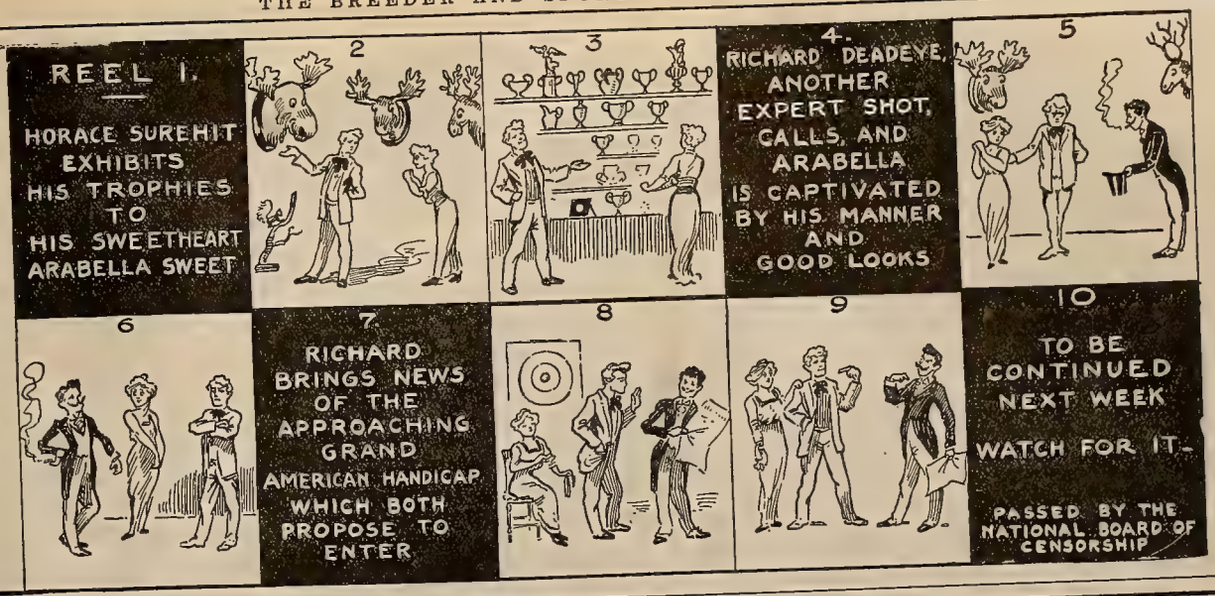
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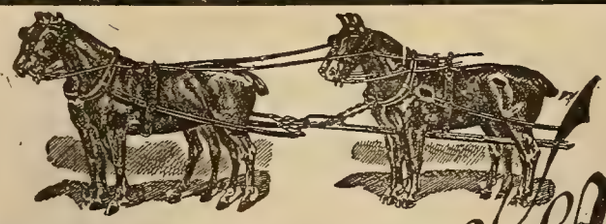
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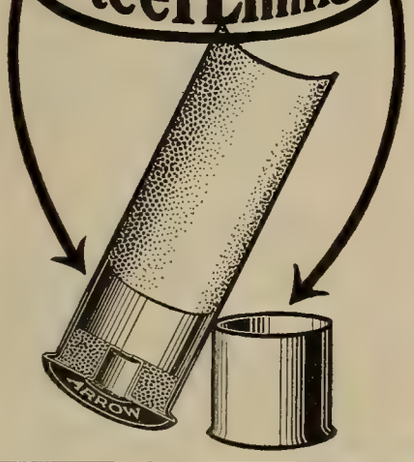
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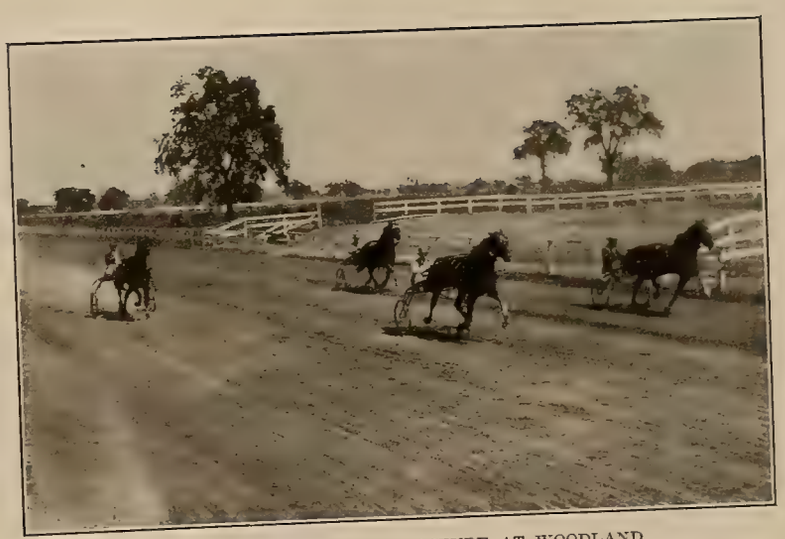






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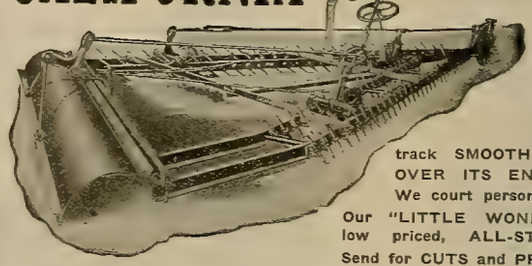
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Workouts begin next week at the P.-P. I. E. track.

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Extend the glad hand to the new association at maha, as it ought to prove a winner from the first ore.

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Will DeRyder worked Dicto and Spriggan Saturday orning for the edification of Messrs. J. F. Dunne, eorge Lowery and Dan Chapman, the pacer going e route in 2:10½ and the trotter in 2:13½, nicely.

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A. Edstrom of Fruitvale joined the railbirds at leasanton Saturday and watched the numerous orkouts, including that of his own Star Pointer—weet Hallie pacer, Hallie's Star 2:24¾, the lad orking several nice miles for Bert Webster with e fastest one in 2:21, last half in 1:06½.

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Thomas E. Newton, vice-president of the Detroit riving Club and owner of Thistle Patch and Grand Marshal, leaves on May 1 for San Francisco, via the anal. With Mrs. Newton he expects to enjoy the air and see the races there in the early part of une.—Trotter and Pacer.

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Mary Gordon 2:09¾ (dam of Onward McGregor 3) 2:23½) foaled on Wednesday of last week a fine illy by Vernon McKinney 2:01½ and will be bred ack to that good sire. There is a standing offer of 250 for this foal, made some months back, but Owner Colomb simply wears a smile and keeps going.

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Jim McGuire, who has but one "wing" but nevertheless can pilot a pacer as well as the next one, s putting San Jacinto 2:05½ in shape at Riverside or the big pacing stakes here at the exposition, and he wireless reports concerning the speed the pair are making are highly flattering.

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George Ramage with the green trotting mare Clara Mills by Lecco 2:09¾, dam by Sidney Dillon; Budd Davis with May Davis 2:08¼ by Borado, and H. E. Armstrong with Hal J. 2:09½ by Hal B. 2:04¼, and The Empress 2:16 by Stellwell, shipped from Pleasanton some days ago for West Liberty, Iowa, to get ready for the Cedar Valley Circuit, which opens June first. This bunch will levy some assessments on the secretaries this summer unless something goes radically wrong.

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Mr. Joseph Errington purchased two mares at the DeRyder sale last December, one Grace Nutkin by Jonesie Mac, dam Lady Rhea 2:26½ by Iran Alto, and the other a daughter of Searchlight. Both were bred in 1914 but neither were thought by Mr. Errington to be with foal when purchased. By a peculiar coincidence both were carrying a colt and both foaled the same day last week, Grace Nutkin to Onward McGregor (3) 2:23¼ and the Searchlight mare to Vernon McKinney 2:01½.

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J. W. Kinnucan of Santa Rosa reports the recent arrival of two fine foals by Guy Carlton 2:30, full brother to Guy Borden 2:07¼. One is a filly foaled April 15 out of Sonoma K. by Don Sonoma, grandam a result of the Electioneer-thoroughbred cross, and the other is a colt out of Jennie McGregor by Gossiper 2:14¾, sire of the dams of Zolock 2:05¼, Zephyr 2:07¼, etc., grandam by General Dana, great grandam by General McClellan, sire of the dam of Mack Mack 2:08.

Horsemen at Hanford staged a nice matinee card on Sunday afternoon, April 18, a pacing race with the best time 2:25, a trot won in 2:40, and a half mile heat race for colts in which the winning youngster made his best circuit in 1:25. Everything went smoothly and a good crowd was on hand to enjoy the occasion.

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A. Ottinger and Hugh Boyle of the San Francisco Driving Club "dropped in" at Pleasanton Driving Park early Saturday morning, Hugh to see his mare Ida M. 2:14 and "Ot" to ride some nice miles from 2:10½ to 2:20 behind the various members of his string that Al Schwartz is fitting for the season's campaign.

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Joe MacGregor, p. 2:14½, is now owned in the east. He was purchased last week by Mr. Crowston, of Markdale, from Vance Overland, of Orangeville. Joe was campaigned very successfully through Western Canada in 1913 by Jim Stewart, the trainer and driver of Homer Mac 2:06¼. Joe has been a hard luck horse all his life, and while he has been a mile in 2:07 something always turned up to keep him from the races.—Canadian Sportsman.

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The R. S. Irvine mares recently brought to Pleasanton with the Lanark Park training string by Mr. Henry have lately been stinted to stallions in service at Pleasanton Driving Park. Bloom by Nushagak, grandam Redflower by Mayflower, has been served by Keefer & Spencer's son of The Exponent, The Proof (2) 2:29¾, and Beretta 2:22½, the full sister to C. The Limit 2:03¼, has been mated to Joe Patchen II 2:03¼. Both crosses ought to be productive of speed in generous quantities.

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The park commissioners put four inches of top dressing on the track at the Stadium in Golden Gate Park during the winter and the local teamsters who have quarters in the McKinney and Park Amateur stables are beginning to ride some nice miles. Hugh Boyle has worked Edith Light in 2:16, with a half in 1:06, and Zorankin, for which he paid all of one hundred bucks in December, has been a lap and a third in 2:21, 1:05½, :30¼. Vera Hal 2:05, who starts today at Dixon, worked before leaving home in 2:16 with halves in 1:02 for Harold Cohen, and Doc Martin has had a ride in 2:22, half in 1:05½, with the pacing filly Greatness. Muggins and Matawan have carried Frank Burton and Hans Frellson over the route in 2:19, and Brutus, Pointer Belle and Silkworthy are all working from 2:20 to 2:22. Bodaker, S. Christenson's "old reliable," came in early in the week from the Suisun Stock Farm and will be gotten ready for another round with the fun horses.

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The K. T. H. B. A. directors met last Monday, and placed the program for the 1915 meeting in the hands of Ed A. Tipton. While it is sure that the progressive spirit that pervades his actions generally will cause many innovations, the one of the most material benefit will be a great reduction in the initial payment of the fixed events. Where usually this payment has been 1 per cent, it is almost an assured fact that this year it will only be one-fourth of 1 per cent. Last year in the two-year-old Lexington stake the first payment was $20, whereas this year it will only be $5. This plan will enable an owner with two or more good colts to enter them all, and have time to sample them before any heavy payment falls due. It is well known to trainers that it is not always the colt that shows best early that is the best in midsummer, so this will preclude the mistake that is so often made, of leaving out the best one because it was a little slow coming to its speed.—Horseman.

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S. Christenson of this city had a generous addition to his holdings in horseflesh during the month of April, by reason of the arrival of two well-bred foals. The first one to arrive was a brown colt by The Bondsman out of the old queen of the Speedway, Reina Directum 2:12½ by Rey Direct 2:10, grandam Stemwinder 2:31 (dam of Directum 2:05¼, etc.) by Venture 320, and in honor of the fact that his appearance was made on April 8, the birth anniversary of the King of Belgium, he has been christened King Albert. "Chris" claims that if the lad is as game a trotter as King Albert is as a man, he will be perfectly satisfied. The other one is a bay colt, also by The Bondsman, foaled April 16, out of Sandriana by Lynwood W. 2:20½, grandam Perza (dam of June Pointer 2:10¼, etc.) by Allie Wilkes 2:15, grandam the great brood mare Anglia by George Wilkes. Reina Directum has been booked to Mahomet Watts 2:08¼, and Sandriana to L. H. Todhunter's good young son of Peter the Great 2:07¼, Peter McKlyo (3) 2:12½.

A WORD TO EXPOSITION ENTRANTS.

The track and stables at the P.-P. I. E. are now in readiness for the proper care of horses in training, and horsemen who have entries at the June meeting are invited to take up quarters there as soon as they desire, with the assurances from the exposition people of the very best treatment in every way, good stables, good water, good feed and a good track to continue making speed over.

There will be no charge for stalls during the meeting for entered horses, or for such horses arriving not to exceed fifteen days in advance of the meeting. Otherwise, stall rent is $2.50 per month or fractional parts thereof. Stall reservations should be made at once or at least well in advance of shipping, and in case of an unexpected number of reservations being made for non-entered horses and the stabling capacity being insufficient to accommodate all comers, preference will, of course, be given entered horses. Such a contingency is hardly probable, as there are generous accommodations, but it is suggested that locally owned, non-entered horses that do not ship east immediately after the meeting be left in their regular quarters insofar as is practicable.

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Come when you wish — IT'S READY.

Will Ivey made the move to the track at Woodland when the Silva horses left Sacramento, so there are more horses in training at the Considine plant than for some seasons.

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Will Duncan of Colusa was a visitor at Pleasanton Saturday, coming down to see Millard Sanders work his big chestnut pacer William G. by Clarence Wilkes 2:28¼, dam Wax by Senator Boggs, sire of George Woodward 2:07½. The lad is coming along nicely and Mr. Duncan went home well pleased.

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A well attended meeting of the San Francisco Driving Club was held Tuesday evening at Mission Hall, the principal object of the gathering being to consider ways and means of arranging joint matinees with the members of the California Driving Club throughout the season at the P.-P. I. E. track. It was the sentiment of all present that every effort be made to reconcile the differences between the two clubs, and a committee of five was appointed to confer with the representatives of the other organization with this end in view. The directors of the California Club met Thursday night, and before many days roll around it is quite probable that plans acceptable to all parties will have been drawn to govern this season's sport, in which all will participate—which is right, proper, and most welcome.

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Russell Gray, the colored trainer at Hanford who had a good deal to do with the making of last season's pacing queen, Clara Mac 2:04½, has about the largest stable in training at the Kings County Fair Grounds and the railbirds are according them a whole lot of respect. Russell's favorite pacer, Harry Mac, is by Expressive Mac 2:25½, out of a mare by Sidney Arnett, grandam by Dictator, and is making speed like another Clara Mac, as in mid-April he traveled two laps on the Hanford oval in 2:23, the last half in 1:04, stepping the first quarter of the last half in :30, then easing up around the turn and coming the final eighth in :15. A little bay pacer by Robert Lee is also coming on fast, as he has negotiated a mile in 2:21, with the half in 1:09. King Policy, the chestnut trotter by Best Policy, looks like a real trot horse and has worked in 2:23, 1:08. Ira Mac, by Expressive Mac, has gone the route in 2:29 with the final eighth in :17, and another trotter in the stable, a snappy little fellow by Robert Direct, has trialed in the same notch. In all, Russell has nine head in training, all looking good and making speed regularly, so that he looks forward to racing a bit this season when the time rolls around.

On the Fence at Pleasanton

While the Pleasanton colony has had a number of rather cool days of late there has been nothing of a nature that would interfere with the successful manufacture of speed, and in reality the brand of weather dealt them by the dispenser of sunshine and shadow has been beneficial in this respect—the conditions have been very similar to those that exist here at the Golden Gate where they will have to race, and the more nearly identical the atmospheric conditions of the two points are, the better the horses will stand the change to the seaside.

Practically every day is workout day except Sunday, and there is always something going on for the numerous visitors to enjoy. The track has been in fine shape at all times, faster probably than at any time in its history owing to the constant attention that is accorded it, and there is no track in the land where there is so much speed on tap at this season. Los Angeles trotters and pacers may be traveling equally as fast—or perhaps faster if some of the wireless reports are to be relied upon—but there are not so many of them in the city of the angels as there are at the old reliable speed nursery in the Livermore valley. The Angelenos, for the most part, are due to arrive at the exposition track here in the city tomorrow or Monday, and while a number of the Pleasanton trainers will follow them quickly the greater portion of them are reluctant to pull up stakes and "leave their happy home" until a bit later in the month.

Peter McCormick 2:08¾ holds the season record at Pleasanton for either gait, with a recent mile in 2:08½, instead of 2:08¾ as reported in last week's paper. Mr. Shuler decided that both he and Peter had a plentiful supply of miles from 2:11 to 2:15 under their belt, and, with Gen. C. C. Watts and a number of other visitors "on the rail," let the big son of Peter the Great go up to the half in 1:05, well out from the pole as usual. They both liked it so well that they decided to trot the next quarter, stepping it in :30¾, and from there home Shuler was constantly talking the horse back and they went under the wire in a jog. Peter's hind pasterns are better than at any time in the last two years, and if he stands up on them he is a real trotter for his class. John Gwynne, Shuler's California purchase, has gone the route in 2:14½, 1:06, :31½ and is sufficiently well thought of to be provided with some eastern engagements.

Next to the McCormick horse, Maymack is the boss of the barnyard among the trotters, having had one workout in 2:10, and the world's champion three-heat mare has every indication of being faster than ever before. Age and the right kind of treatment have served to mellow her disposition and improve her manners, though she is yet, and always will be, an "individualist" of the extreme type. She is one of the original "queer geniuses" of the world among her kind, but, queer or not queer, if she hits the right track and the right company on the right day in 1915, Volume 31 of the Year Book will continue her name among performers with reduced records. DeRyder has had a couple of other rides in the 2:10 notch, one behind Zomblack, who is standing up fine under his work at the pace, and the other behind Joe Patchen II. Vernon McKinney is knocking at the same door, having gone the route in 2:11, and Miss Perfection, probably his entry for the big trot, is working like a clock. In company with Marvin Child's pacer, Jim Hill, she had a nice work Saturday, stepping her fastest mile in 2:13, :31, :15, and her behavior is just about right. Anvilite took the circuit in 2:24 and continues to loom as one of the best two-year-old trotters seen on the coast in a month of Sundays. S. Christenson was among Saturday's flock of railbirds and was pleased mightily with the performance of Sis Bodaker, DeRyder's green trotting filly by Bodaker 2:13, Chris' favorite warrior. Sis is not entered this year and Charley is merely sampling her for future stake material, but she worked a mighty nice mile with Pedlar Direct, Mr. A. W. Longley's Baron Direct pacer in Bert Webster's stable, in 2:17½, 1:06½, :32.

Railey Macey and his assistants are giving the International Farm's string some pretty fair work now, generally working in pairs. About all the aged members of the stable have had miles in 2:15 or perilously close to that figure, and the youngsters are showing a good deal of sizzle in their brushes. Electric Patch, the four-year-old trotter, is one of the favorites with the railbirds, and the whole bunch have good heads and clean gait. Macey will have them ripe by June and isn't worrying about the turns at the exposition track, as he hasn't a knee knocker in the lot.

Barney Barnes is traveling around fifteen with both Strathtell and College Gent and the fact that some of the horses he is entered against are working a bit faster than he is at present bothers him not a whit. Both the big black fellow and the rugged bay lad are tough nuts and have their speed with them most of the time, so they will be ready. Will Fleming's Canadians are going along about the same and have stood the change from Winnipeg very nicely. With one exception they are a nice mannered lot—The Badger. This boy has a "leaning" for the variety stage that evidences itself on occasions, but Fleming will eventually get him smoothed out in this respect. He has plenty of whizz, and Barney, who raced him a bit last year, is authority for the statement that he can "go both ends of the mile" without showing any strain of hound in his pedigree.

Grattan Boy's appearance continues to improve and while Harry Bell has not yet forsaken a comfortable cart to hitch to a sulky, he has gone the route in 2:15, 1:05, :31, and will be named in the big trots when they close June first unless something unusual happens to him. He is tough as a green hide or he would never have survived some of his former deals in any kind of shape. His last owners "bought him to race" and didn't fall much short of living up to their purpose, as in one week on the ice in the winter of 1913-14 he started in nineteen heats, which is "racing some."

Ed Parker's three-year-old trotter Tango has paired Grattan Boy in a number of miles, though not in the Boy's heat in 2:15. Last week the pair took on one mile in 2:25 with the half in 1:08, and then went a little deeper into the speed keg for a shot in 2:17½, 1:06, :31¾. In another mile Tango traveled the latter half in 1:04¼, :31¼ and hasn't done anything yet to cause the railbirds to alter the good opinion they had of him all season. Ed is also working Charley McCarty's Nutwood Wilkes trotter, George Hammett, that worked this track last year below 2:09, and has been the route recently with him in 2:18¼ with a half in five, while with the two-year-old Bon McKinney trotter owned by Geo. Barber of Milpitas he has been a quarter in :39¼.

Homer Rutherford has been a mile in 2:12 with Colleen, the Charley D.—Cricket mare, with a half in 1:02 and a quarter in :30. He is trying a new rig on her in the way of a bit recently devised by A. F. Ruthven, and she acted very nicely with it the first time out. It is ingenious and simple, not cumbersome, and admits of quite a bit of leeway in its rigging according to the individual requirements of the horse upon which it is in use, and will be given a tryout by other local trainers. The "bunch" have tied a name to it of their own devising—"Ruthven's Alligator Derrick"—but its officially registered identity is "Ruthven's Panama Controller" and patent has been applied for. George N. Patterson, the three-year-old trotter, has been in 2:14½, 1:05¼, :30¾, and the yearling colt by The Bondsman, Sequoia, out of the same mare, trotted an eighth in :20 before being sent home to grow into a real horse.

With the departure of George Ramage for a campaign in the Mississippi valley country, Al McDonald fell heir to S. B. Wright's sister to Sonoma Girl 2:04¼, Grace Fowler, and has made the circuit with her in 2:27¼ with a quarter in :34 at the trot. Al's pacer by The Bondsman has also been in about the same notch, and the trotter Bert Kelley is taking his work like he would stand up and race. He has had no fast miles, one heat in 2:24 being about his best effort to date, but he has negotiated a half in 1:09 and brushed a quarter in :31, so that he has the speed that made him look formidable before the hoodoo man got in his work on him.

Frank Goulart of Decoto is one of the new arrivals at the local track, coming up a few days ago with J. C. Simpson 2:12½ by San Meto 2:13¼ (sire of Abe J. 2:10, sire of William (4) 2:00), dam Babbie (dam of Virginia Todd (3) 2:25¼) by Cadet, and the green pacers DeCoto Boy and a gelding by Aerolite 2:06¼ out of Cricket 2:10. They have been well wintered and jogged and are making speed pretty regularly, though not entered in the early events. G. P. Machado, who is giving the prep to the horses of President George Giannini of the San Francisco Driving Club, will evidently have them ready for the word, as Graham Bellini is up to a mile in 2:16, and one of Saturday's best workouts was that of Bradmont in 2:11½. He is a much improved horse over last season, as he is eating better and carrying more flesh; it might be a good thing to remember, too, that this son of Alto Leyburn has no winrace record. Ella M. R. (2) 2:16¾ accumulated a good deal of real fat during her long let up and it has been slow in coming off. She has been let down carefully and has had enough brushing to show that she retains her speed as of yore, and has gone the full route in 2:20.

Millard Sanders has a nice pupil in the big chestnut pacer William G. by Clarence Wilkes, owned by Will Duncan of Colusa. Duncan wintered him at Sacramento and sent him to Sanders a few weeks ago, since when he has worked in 2:18, with a half Saturday in 1:03½ and the final quarter in :31. He is a big-gaited, free legged fellow and by fall has a chance to become a very fast horse. Fleeta Dillon has traveled in 2:10 for Sanders free legged, and it was something of a surprise to see her sporting a pair of panties of the Indiana variety. She evidently feels the unaccustomed underwear a bit, as she has the brand on her now just the same as ordinary folks. W. E. Detels' Nutwood Wilkes mare, on which Harry Doty worked a decided improvement before she went to Sanders, is up to a mile in 2:15, while Peter Howard's young trotter has traveled in the same notch, with a quarter in :31.

Keefer & Spencer have three trotters that are demanding considerable respect from the railbirds, all due to start in June—The Proof, Bonnie Ansel and The Expense. The son of The Exponent worked Saturday to a seventy-pound cart in 2:12, 2:13¾ and 2:14, finishing the latter portion of the first two miles at a merry clip, going away the first quarter of the final one in :32 and up to the half in 1:07½, acting nicely at all portions of every mile and responding well to Charley's lessons in rating. The big Prince Ansel mare wound up her Friday's lesson with three miles in 2:12¾, 2:15, 2:16, and The Expense trotted in 2:29¾, repeating in 2:31 with the last half in 1:11. Other members of the stable are working well, also, and Nick Hauberlach's husky Alcona Wilkes pacer has turned the trick in 2:18¼.

Will DeRyder has his outfit pretty well keyed up and can show considerable speed for the railbirds. Dicto, last season's matinee pacer here at the Stadium, tramped a mile Saturday in 2:10½ with the last quarter in :31, and Spriggan, the Baron McKinney—Helen Simmons trotter, turned the full distance nicely in 2:13½, breezing through the stretch in :31¾. Asa Pointer is "picking it up" every week, his last lesson being in 2:12½, last quarter in :30, and the Demonio pacer, Ben R., has gone the route a second slower, with the last end in the same rate. Will likes the J. Malcolm Forbes—Allie Payne two-year-old trotter very much indeed, though he has not yet commenced "juning" him any, of course, and the J. O. Johnston Copa de Oro 2:01 three-year-old has pulled him a mile to cart in 2:25, with the half in 1:09.

Al Ruthven threatens to be right there or thereabouts when they cut the money in the 2:06 pace and other events both east and west, and if his pair of pacers keep on coming like they are at present someone is going to have to travel "right peart" (as they say in Missouri) to keep Al's threat from being made good. Walnut Grove is pacing around 2:11, with halves in 1:03¾ and quarters in :31, and Rose Equity apparently lost no speed by reason of her rest, as she has tripped the light fantastic at Pleasanton in 2:12½, 1:04¼, :30½. The Constantine horse has in previous seasons had a bit of trouble with one front leg but is taking his work so far as sound as a nut, and if he continues to remain this way he will command attention in almost any company. Miss Johnson, the old original meal ticket, has had a few miles around 2:20, with halves in 1:06, and the three-year-old pacer G. C. W. has a mile to his credit in 2:28, 1:11½. Little Grove, the two-year-old trotter, is doing 2:30, with halves in 1:13, quarters in :36, and Grover E., the yearling by Walnut Grove—Rose Equity, is trotting so far instead of pacing, as would naturally be expected.

Henry Smith, in preparation for the May Day program at Dixon, tried out a number of his stable on the half-mile track Saturday, one of the nicest performances being that of Future Tramp, who tramped a half on the trot in 1:06½. The balance of the Dixon entries all work the two-lap very well and Henry is doubtless adding largely to the gaiety of the occasion at the valley town today.

Frank and Marvin Childs are pairing O. U. C. and Hal Boy in their work and the pacers are knocking at the door of the 2:10 list right along, with plenty of miles in 2:11 or a bit slower, with brushes occasionally at a two-minute shot. Frank hasn't let Bon Guy down very far as yet but the lad is working nicely, and the chestnut mare from Arizona, Loe Blossom, continues to make Frank think he will have a look-in at some of the money in the big stake. She is working smoothly around 2:12 at present and looks fine.

Marvin's pacers are all working not far from ten, Imbro having set the pattern with a circuit in 2:10½, 1:03½, :31, with Jim Hill crowding him for the season's stable record with a mile in 2:11¾, 1:03, :30½. Lizzie Dillon has come fast and steadily and has yanked Marvin over the course in 2:12, 1:02½, :30, and Sirius Pointer has paraded in 2:13, with a half in 1:03 and a quarter in :31. Major By By has not been asked for any great amount of speed yet, but the Montana trotters, R. C. H. and Blue Finch, are crowding the 2:15 mark, with quarters at a 2:08 gait or better, and both look to be the makings of real good race horses. The "miracle trotter" of the stable right now, however, is the ten-year-old Nebraska gelding Tom Smith, given up as a practically hopeless case a year or so ago and apparently well along the road to soundness by virtue of the use of a formula of Mr. Childs, Senior's, devising. The old fellow has the steam of a pacer in his brushes and on Saturday worked for Marvin in 2:13, 1:04½, :31½. He is entered in the twelve trot at the exposition and if he stands up till June first may possibly be named in the big stake.

Bert Webster is riding some pleasant miles behind various members of his stable, the fastest one being negotiated by the yearling champion, Frank Perry. This boy with the hard luck history worked last week in 2:13½, half in 1:03½, repeating in 2:13 with the half in 1:01½. Madam Mac, the Expressive Mac five-year-old that achieved a losing performance tag of 2:10¼ at Detroit last season, has also circled the big oval in 2:13½, half in 1:05, and Pedlar Direct has paced in 2:17½, 1:06. The trotter California B. has worked in 2:17, half in 1:04½ on the big track, and has made it once around on the small one in 1:05½, being given that tryout just to see how he took to the short turns. He evidently liked 'em. Bert's young stake pacers are oil in de can, apparently, as the two-year-old Fresno Bond by The Bondsman—Fresno Girl is showing in 2:34, 1:11, :32, while Rodney Patchen, a year older, by Joe Patchen II—Miss Harris, has "turned a furrow" in 2:22 with the

.lf in eight. The two-year-old Vernon McKinney—
·ssie M. gelding, purchased some time since by
W. Longley from H. E. Armstrong, has not yet
·en ironed off in front, but has gone quarters in
rty seconds.

With but few exceptions, the horses in the stable
Al Schwartz are beating 2:15 and doing it nicely.
s usual, Mr. Ottinger spent Saturday at Pleasanton
id he and Al worked Dick W. and Zulu Belle a
ımber of heats, the fastest one in 2:10½, 1:05,
)0½. Copper the Ore made the circuit at the trot
. 2:18, and the admiral of the "Big Three" line
loted Agnes Carter a very pleasing mile in 2:16½.
t. Patrick, with whom Jimmy Ryan plans to grab
›me of the matinee trots, is moving along around
›eventeen, and Al has just split the difference be-
›veen ten and twenty with his own trotting mare
.iss San Francisco, formerly Soreta, with a half in
:05½ and a quarter in 32 seconds. Baby Gommet,
›e Prince McKinney—Arawanna B. pacer owned by
'. Gommet of this city, is also working in 2:15, with
›alves in 1:03½ and quarters in :31, and the pacers
[omburg Belle and William Tell are working in
›airteen, four and thirty-one. As Al's horses are all
›cally owned he will move down to the exposition
:ack early in the coming week, so the owners can
›njoy watching them work and some of them can
›in in the training.

Sutherland & Chadbourne have plenty of work
head of them at the exposition as almost all of
heir owners were generous patrons of the entry
st, but the writer missed connection with the de-
·ails of the stable's work. Quite a number of brisk
rushes were noticed, however, by both the trotters
nd pacers, and this combination will have to be
gured with on the money cutting unless there are
ome phenoms that have been overlooked in some of
he classes. They have some pacing timber about
's "good as the next one's," and their trotters have
.one of them been strung to the limit by several
econds.

There is a pair of faces at Pleasanton, recently
.rrived, that have a "familiar" appearance at a
light distance, closer investigation revealing them
›o be the countenances of none other than Charles
A. Durfee and English Jack, survivors of many a
tard fought battle. Charley "took the pledge" last
all after he sold Zulu Belle, and a winter's idleness
aused him to take two other things—fifteen pounds
›f excess meat and a high class case of fidgets. A
ew days ago Jack warmed him up and he jogged
›retty sound so the pair went to Pleasanton and
Charley hung out his sign. The excess around the
vaist is about gone and Durfee Senior feels much
nore at home back in the accustomed harness. He
lready has a pair of entrants for the big stakes,
Wm. T. Sesnon's big Zombro gelding San Felipe
:09¼ for the 2:10 trot and Twinkling Dan 2:06¼,
›wned by Gen. C. C. Watts, for the 2:06 pace, both
›f which are working nicely. The Dan Patch horse
has not yet been let down fast, but on Saturday San
Felipe got a healthy work, his fastest mile being in
2:14, with the half in 1:03½ and the quarter in :31.
Mr. Durfee also has the matinee trotter Horseshoe
Boy, owned by A. S. Hanks, the Oakland farrier, and
›efore the season is well along will probably have
all the horses he needs to keep him in trim. So far
as keeping the horses in trim—just leave that to
him, and Jack.

"JUST ONE MARE."

So many times small breeders are heard to say: "Oh, well, what's the use? I have two or three mares that I breed, but what chance have I with fellows like so-and-so, with a whole bunch of mares?" The fact is that any number of the best performers at both gaits have been the result of the operations of the "small breeder," and under the above caption our old friend Columbus, of the Horse Review, cites some remarkable examples of the success achieved by owners of but one mare in a limited section, as follows:

Yes, "Just one mare"! One brood mare, providing she is high-class, is sufficient to bring fame, and even a degree of prosperity, to any breeder of light harness horses. The very fact that men owning but one good mare have achieved success not obtained by other men owning a large number of brood mares, should of itself be sufficient encouragement to the so-called small breeder of trotters to continue his efforts. When judiciously mated, the one mare usually brings success. Confining our remarks to trotters bred in what is commonly referred to as the Missouri Valley country, or that section with which we are most familiar, we wish to present the results obtained by owners of "just one mare."

It is universally conceded that Dudie Archdale 2:03¼, during her turf career, was the most perfect race trotter that has so far been produced by any breeder of light harness horses, and yet this superior race mare was bred by G. S. Harris, at that time residing at Hooper, Neb., who owned but the one mare, Dudie Egmont 2:13¾, by Egmont Chief 2:24¼.

The beautiful and very successful trotting mare, Penisa Maid 2:04¼, the sensation of 1909, and the fastest race trotter yet bred in Iowa, was bred by Wilson Mettler, of Charles City, Ia., who assures us that he owned but the one mare, Seneca Maid 2:20, dam of Penisa Maid, at the time the latter mare was bred and foaled.

Snyder McGregor 2:05¼, holder with Oro 2:05¼ of the Kansas state record for native-bred trotters, was bred by Cale Osborne, of Frankfort, Kan., owner of but the one mare, Mag Osborne, by Mambrino George 2:30. Snyder McGregor, judging by his performance in the Transylvania of 1904, when he finished five times third to Sweee Marie and Tiverton, was the most sensational trotter yet bred in Kansas.

Tempus Fugit 2:07¼, fastest trotting gelding yet bred in Nebraska, was bred by W. O. Wheedon, of Lincoln, who owned at the time but the one mare, Altamont, by Almont Aberdeen 2:22½. Tempus Fugit was one of the successful race trotters of 1907.

Tommy Horn 2:04½, holder with Etawah of the race record for a fourth heat, and holder of the seventh-heat race record, was bred by J. A. Osner of Denver, Colo., owner at the time of only the mare Altrene, by Athol Wilkes, p., 2:12½. Tommy Horn, by a wide margin, is the fastest trotter yet bred in Colorado.

Walter E. 2:10, the first Missouri-bred 2:10 trotter, and one of the greatest race trotters ever bred in the Missouri Valley, was bred by William Taylor, of Maitland, whose only brood mare at the time was Old Morgan, dam of Walter E.

Right Guard 2:09¾ and Ramey Constantine 2:10, the only two 2:10 trotters ever bred at St. Joseph, Mo., were bred by M. J. Traynor and Judge H. M. Ramey, owners at the time of but one mare.

Golddust Maid 2:07¼, the greatest race trotter among Kansas-bred trotting mares, was bred by John Biggs, of Garden City, owner at the time of only the one mare, Mamie S., by Bobby Golddust.

Lady Grattan 2:08¾ was bred by Ryan Tucker, of Fort Worth, Tex., whose only mare at the time was Lady Downing 2:14¼, by Herschel 2:29¼, the dam of Lady Grattan.

Mabel Onward 2:09¼ was bred by L. E. Doty, of David City, Neb., whose only mare was her dam, Sentinel Belle, by Grand Sentinel 2:27¼.

Askey 2:08¼, the first Kansas-bred 2:10 trotter, was bred by Henry Bruce, of Howard, whose only mare was Strange Girl, by Strangemore 9401.

Jimmy Ferry 2:09¼, the first Colorado-bred trotter to beat 2:10, was bred by C. J. Stoddard, of Denver, whose only mare at the time was his dam, Silver Queen, by Bacchus 2357.

And these are not all, for the list might be extended considerably, but enough has been written to prove that the owner of "just one mare," providing she is a good one, has a mighty good chance to raise a very fast trotter.

THE PROGRAM AT SALEM.

With our own state fair apparently out of the running for the season and with very little racing in California aside from the meetings at the exposition, the announcement of a generous program of harness horse events at Salem for the six days of September 27 to October 2 inclusive will be heartily welcomed by coast horsemen. With the exception of the 2:30 trot and the 2:25 pace, entries to the class races close on June first with Secretary W. Al Jones, entrance fee being three per cent payable in three equal instalments, with seven per cent additional from money winners. We bespeak a generous patronage for the following list of events:

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.

2-Year-Old Trot, two in three	$ 300.00
2:10 Pace, Capital City Purse, three heats	700.00
2:25 Trot, three heats	600.00
1 mile handicap dash for trotters and pacers	500.00
Great Western Relay Race, two miles per day for six days	1,500.00

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28.

2:15 Trot, three heats	700.00
2:18 Pace, three heats	700.00
3-Year-Old Trot, Oregon Futurity No. 5 (closed), 2nd Day Relay.	2,000.00

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29.

3-Year-Old-Pace, Oregon Futurity No. 5 (closed)	1,500.00
2:30 Trot, three heats	500.00
2:08 Pace, Greater Oregon Purse, three in five, 3rd Day Relay.	2,000.00

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30.

2:20 Pace, three heats	700.00
2:12 Trot, Lewis and Clark Purse, three in five	2,000.00
2:15 Pace, State Fair Purse, three heats, 4th Day Relay.	700.00

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1.

Free-for-all Pace, Oregon Manufacturers Purse, three in five	700.00
2:20 Trot, Editors' Purse, three heats	700.00
2-Year-Old Pace, two in three, 5th Day Relay.	300.00

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2.

2:12 Pace, three heats	700.00
2:09 Trot, Shriners Purse, three heats	700.00
2:25 Pace, three heats, 6th and Final Day Relay.	500.00

Anselot, Verbena Ansel and Anselila, a trio of yearlings by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½ bred and owned by Woodland Farm, Woodland, Cal., and now in Hunter Moody's stable at Lexington, Ky., have trotted quarters in 40 seconds with eighths in 19. Suldine (1) 2:24¾, the champion yearling trotting colt of 1914 and also the property of J. W. Considine, has already been a mile in 2:42, last quarter in 36 seconds—American Sportsman.

A Son of Peter the Great

For many years California "had it over" her sister states, to use a plebeian but forceful expression, in a number of ways in the trotting horse breeding industry, one of the chief ones being that it was the home of the world's foremost progenitor of 2:10 speed, McKinney 2:11¼. Year after year the son of Alcyone occupied a unique position among sires, and not until a few seasons ago was his standing threatened through the performances of the get of Peter the Great 2:07¼. This year he has had to yield to the family of the premier of Patchen Wilkes Farm in point of number of 2:10 performers in the first generation, at least, the figures standing thirty for Peter the Great and twenty-six for McKinney.

As would naturally be expected, California has a generous supply of McKinney blood in her contemporary sires and dams, but has never had access until quite recently to stallions carrying the blood of Peter the Great, save by the expensive course of shipping mares to Kentucky, a method that has been practiced by a few of our breeders in previous seasons. There are now a number of youngsters of this line owned in the state, but the only one of age permitting stud duty is the four-year-old Peter McKlyo (3) 2:12½, purchased as a yearling for L. H. Todhunter of Sacramento by James Thompson of the same city, the gentleman who may safely lay claim to being the first ardent and unalterable booster for Peter the Great on this coast.

Colonel Jim selected Peter McKlyo from a goodly lot of yearlings at Patchen Wilkes Farm, choosing wisely and well for these three cardinal points—blood inheritance, natural speed, and individual excellence. Considering first the breeding of this youngster, there are a number of points "on the surface" that appeal at once to studious breeders. He is by the leading sire of 2:10 speed at the trot, only three of Peter the Great's thirty performers of this class being pacers; both first and second dams were "developed" to a point of taking standard records at the trot; his first four dams are producers of standard speed; the sire of his dam is a fast racing trotter and a great sire, and the sires of the first, second and third dams are progenitors of 2:10 speed through their daughters.

Here, in brief, is the maternal line: First dam Klyo (2) 2:29½, by Jay McGregor 2:07½ (sire of seven trotters and one pacer in 2:10, and the dam of Colorado E. (3) 2:04¾, one time world's champion trotter for his age and ousted from that position by a son of Peter the Great); second dam Miss Spears 2:21¾ (dam of seven including Shakespeare (3) 2:09¾) by Lakewood 17082; third dam Medium's Last (dam of six trotters, one pacer) by Happy Medium 400 (sire of Nancy Hanks 2:04 and the dams of Admiral Dewey 2:04¾, Lord Roberts 2:07¼, Arthur J. 2:07½, Bonnie Ailsie 2:08½ and Tregantle 2:09¼); fourth dam Susanne (dam of one and grandam of ten, including Susie J. 2:06¼) by Countersign 885.

It is also of interest to note that Jay McGregor, sire of the dam of Peter McKlyo, is a son of Jay Bird 5060, and that the dam of the fastest of the get of Peter the Great 2:07¼, Roxie Allerton, dam of Peter Stevens 2:02¼, is also by a son of Jay Bird—Allerton 2:09¼. A daughter of Jay Bird also produced the fast three-year-old pacer Peter Farren (3) 2:10 to the cover of Peter the Great, so the potency of the cross is amply substantiated. Twenty-three sons of Peter the Great have become sires of speed, four of them sires of 2:10 speed, and of these just mentioned three are represented by three-year-olds with records from 2:05¾ to 2:08¾.

Individually, Peter McKlyo is a magnificent young horse, and he has natural speed in most pronounced quantities. Mr. Thompson took him last February and the lad made speed so fast that "Genial James" couldn't trust himself on the track with him and pulled his shoes and returned to a daily jog. At the state fair last year he trotted two public trials, the first in 2:15 and the second in 2:12½, his trainer at present predicting his ability to trot much faster this fall.

Peter McKlyo is in service at the driving park at San Jose and is getting a very nice class of mares for his initial season, mares previously bred to him having been limited to a few belonging to friends of his owner. A number of these have foaled safely and their owners are more than pleased with the qualities imparted to his get by this young sire.

GRAND RAPIDS' EARLY CLOSING ENTRIES.

The Furniture Manufacturers, 2:08 Trot, $5,000.

Albaloma, Axtien, Beirne Holt, Bonington, Bright Axworthy, Dorsh Medium, Duchess, J. Malcolm Forbes, Junior Watts, King Clansman, Lucile Spier, Lulu Luminc, Mahomet Watts, Pass All, Peter McCormick, Peter Scott, Reusens, Wilgo, Worthy Prince.

The Grand Rapids Railway, 2:14 Trot, $3,000.

Binola, Bordelon, Eclear Kurtz, Great Isle, June Red, Laramie Lad, Lettie Lee, Loe Blossom, Lusitania, McCloskey, Margaret Parrish, Mirthful, Miss Directed, Miss Perfection, Miss Rilda, Montferris, Peter Johnson, Peter Scott, Russian Dame, Seneca Boy, The Guide, Todd Temple.

The Comstock, 2:12 Pace, $3,000.

Altawood, Bill Hurst, Bingen Pointer, Budd Elliott, Camelia, Clara Walker, Derby Custer, Hal Boy, Hal Plex E., Hal S., Jean, Judge Ormonde, Lillian T., Lustrous McKinney, Miss Miriam, Nelly Temple, O. U. C., Pat Carmody, Peter Farren, Queen Abbess, Thistle Patch, Zomblack.

The Longworth B., 2:08 Pace, $2,000.

Aconite, Bessie Bee, B. M., Fred W., Guy Nella, Imbro, Major Ong, Peter Farren, Prestolite, Rose Equity, Russel Boy, Single G., The Beaver, Walnut Grove.

LIVELY DOINGS AT BAKERSFIELD.

Bakersfield, April 27, 1915.

Breeder and Sportsman:—

I am going to drop you a few lines in order that you may know that the people of this county are making themselves active in sporting affairs generally and horse racing in particular.

Something over a year ago the Kern County Fair Association purchased one hundred and six acres of land on the edge of the city limits of this city, for which we paid $23,000, and immediately began preparing a race track for automobile racing and succeeded in building what is conceded the fastest dirt track in the world. Our track holds four world's records, the five, ten, twenty and twenty-five mile records. At the time of the first events given at the opening, when the track was somewhat heavy, Barney Oldfield succeeded in breaking the mile record, covering the distance in forty-five and two-fifths seconds. Since that time the track has become settled and much faster than theretofore. Only recently Barney informed one of our directors that he had no doubt that he could go once around the track in forty-one or forty-two seconds, which would be a considerable reduction of the present world's record.

After we got the automobile track in condition, we built a one-half mile track in the center and about a year ago we gave several days' automobile and horse racing. The latter drew many more spectators than the former, the gates taking in something like $2500 the first day. We are improving the grounds as rapidly as possible and only recently put in ten additional box stalls and will soon follow it up with many more. We expect to have one of the finest and most attractive racing plants in the State, having expended on our two tracks upwards of $46,000 and have a grand stand that cost us $12,000 that will seat 9,000 people, and shall endeavor in time to hold an annual fair.

People hereabouts take a very great interest in racing of all kinds and particularly that of horses. At present there are twelve runners domiciled on the track and in training and perhaps that many more on the outside. Almost every Sunday a racing programme is carried off and they are largely attended, much larger really than the class of racing justifies, which only tends to show the interest that the people take in such events.

We are giving a three days meeting beginning April 30 and continuing until May 2. The first day will be devoted to horse racing, the second to automobile racing and the third to horse racing. We are giving a free-for-all, mixed events for pacers and trotters, one-half mile heats. Advices from Ventura and Hanford inform us that there will be horses from each place to participate in the event, the purse being $400. In addition to the above, there will be four running events, arranged to suit different classes of horses that will participate. On the second of May there will be other horse races, the outline of which plans have not been agreed upon as yet. There will be quite a number of gallopers here from Hanford, Tulare, Porterville and other outlying points.

There are a great many trotters in this county and also a great number of runners, and inasmuch as there is a great deal of interest taken in such events, the future bids fair to see such events well and liberally patronized. JOSEPH H. TAM.

HUMANE EXHIBIT DEDICATED AT P.-P. I. E.

Pleasing and enjoyable were the exercises held in front of the building of the San Francisco Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition grounds on the afternoon of Saturday, April 17, 1915, when the exhibit of the society was formally dedicated and a commemorative bronze medal was presented to the organization by the Fair directors in honor of its participation in the exposition.

The attendance compared favorably with that of the more pretentious state and foreign dedications and exceeded the most optimistic expectations. The visitors remained interested throughout the program and at the close of the exercises crowded into the building and spent the remainder of the afternoon inspecting the exhibit.

Two pretty incidents which found high favor with the spectators were the liberation of pigeons and toy balloons from a hidden blind on the roof and the brilliant exhibition of King Pharoh, the educated horse from Toyland.

President Partridge of the society acted as chairman of the day and called attention to the fact that the exercises celebrated not only the formal opening of the exhibit, but the 47th anniversary of the society as well, the following day (Sunday) being the date of the society's organization forty-seven years previous.

D. O. Lively, chief of the department of livestock of the exposition, the one man, outside the immediate officers of the society, to whom credit is due for the society's participation in the exposition, presented the bronze medal in behalf of the exposition directors. In introducing the speaker President Partridge stated that both Mr. and Mrs. Lively were members of the society, as well as President Moore and other members of the exposition board.

Mr. Lively stated that it gratified one of his ambitions to be able to see the society represented at the exposition, particularly by an exhibit so comprehensive and thorough as the one it had assembled. He stated his belief that the display would do a world of good, not only in helping the work of the local society, but in spreading broadcast a knowledge of its objects, causing people to realize the importance of humane work who probably never had thought of it before. He said reports had reached him from distant parts of the world, in letters and by other means, from people who had already visited the exposition commenting on the excellent character of the society's exhibit and the good it would do. The privilege of presenting the medal on behalf of the exposition he considered a higher honor and greater pleasure, owing to the character of the society's work and the merit of the organization itself, than if he had been called upon to perform a like service for any one of the thousands of other participants.

President Partridge accepted the medal for the society and placed it in the safekeeping of Treasurer J. S. Hutchinson, mentioning the fact that Mr. Hutchinson founded the society in 1868 and ever since has been its treasurer and faithful director.

Following Mr. Lively, a representative of the Mayor spoke briefly.

John A. Percy, counsel for the society who has been of great assistance to it in legislative matters, was then introduced and gave a brief history of the origin and development of humane work, dwelling particularly on the growth and activity of the San Francisco society. Mr. Percy's remarks were received attentively, many in the audience probably obtaining their first clear understanding of the extent of the humane movement.

As Mr. Percy finished his remarks, a tug of a silken cord in the hands of Baby Floy McCurrie sent fifty or more balloons bearing the flags of all nations and a flock of pigeons, symbolizing peace, soaring into the sky.

Dr. Boyd from Toyland introduced King Pharoh, the horse who has never known the touch of a whip, and for nearly an hour the spectators were amused and delighted by King Pharoh's wonderful exhibition of intelligence. After the knowing horse had demonstrated again and again his ability to spell, add, subtract, pick out colors, and perform similar feats, and had been petted and fondled by the children, he was borne away in state in the society's ambulance to his quarters on the Zone, and the crowd flocked into the building to inspect the exhibits.

RACING ON THE CANADIAN PRAIRIE.

Every year the prairie cities of our sister country to the north of us furnish opportunity for several weeks of racing under the most acceptable conditions, and every season sees numbers of American trotters and pacers make the tour of the circuit, generally winning a goodly percentage of the money hung up and returning to the good old U. S. A. later in the season, more than satisfied with their campaign and loud in their praises of the treatment accorded them. All winter rumors were rife that the war had killed the game there for 1915, but weeks ago all doubts were removed and already a number of stables from the coast have shipped to Edmonton to be ready for the opening of the season the latter part of May. For the benefit of others who may be contemplating a journey to those hospitable sections we take pleasure in presenting herewith a synopsis of the opportunities offered:

Edmonton, Alberta, May 22, 24, 25—Entries close May 20; purses uniformly $250; No. 1, 2:18 pace or 2:13 trot; No. 2, 2:35 pace or 2:30 trot; No. 6, 2:09 pace or 2:04 trot; No. 7, 2:25 pace or 2:20 trot; No. 12, 2:14 pace or 2:09 trot; No. 13, 2:20 trot; eleven events for runners; W. J. Stark, Manager.

Regina, Sask., June 23 to 25—Entries closed April 23, six events of $500 each; six events for runners; J. C. Currie, Secretary.

Calgary, Alberta, June 30 to July 7—Entries close June 20; No. 1, 2:09 pace or 2:04 trot, $700; No. 2, 2:15 pace or 2:10 trot, $700; No. 9, 2:30 pace or 2:25 trot, for 3- and 4-year-olds, northwestern horses, $500; No. 10, 2:17 trot, $600; No. 16, 2:22 pace or 2:17 trot, $600; No. 17, 2:25 trot, $500; No. 24, 2:14 trot, $500; No. 25, 2:12 pace or 2:07 trot, $600; No. 30, 2:18 pace or 2:13 trot, $500; No. 31, 2:30 pace or 2:25 trot, $600; 26 events for runners; E. L. Richardson, Manager.

Moose Jaw, Sask., July 10, 12, 13.—To close May 15, No. 1, 2:12 pace, $1000; No. 7, 2:25 pace, $1000; No. 12, 2:25 trot, $1000; to close July 6, No. 2, 2:35 pace, $500; No. 3, free-for-all, half mile heats, $300; No. 6, 2:18 trot, $500; No. 8, free-for-all, mile heats, $500; No. 11, 2:16 pace, $500; trotters allowed 5 seconds in pacing events; six events for runners; W. A. Munns, Secretary.

Brandon, Man., July 19 to 23—To close May 15, No. 5, 2:20 trot, $800; No. 6, 2:09 pace or 2:04 trot, $800; No. 10, 2:30 pace or 2:25 trot, $800; No. 11, 2:15 pace or 2:10 trot, $800; to close July 9, No. 1, 2:20 pace or 2:15 trot, $800; No. 2, 2:12 pace or 2:07 trot, $800; No. 7, three-year-old pace, $300; No. 12, three-year-old trot, $300; No. 15, 2:25 pace or 2:20 trot, $600; No. 16, free-for-all, $600; eight events for runners; W. I. Smale, Manager.

Regina, Sask., July 26 to 31—To close May 1, No. 1, 2:30 trot, $800; No. 2, 2:25 pace, $800; No. 5, 2:15 trot, $800; No. 6, 2:15 pace, $800; No. 10, 2:20 trot, $800; No. 11, 2:10 pace, $800; to close July 15, No. 7, three-year-old trot or pace, $300; No. 14, 2:25 trot, $400; No. 15, 2:20 pace, $400; eight events for runners; D. T. Elderkin, Manager.

Saskatoon, Sask., Aug. 3 to 6—To close May 15, No. 1, 2:30 trot, $500; No. 6, 2:17 trot, $500; No. 11, 2:25 pace or 2:20 trot, $500; No. 16, 2:20 pace or 2:15 trot, $500; to close July 26, No. 2, 2:22 pace or 2:17 trot, $300; No. 7, 2:15 pace or 2:10 trot, $300; No. 2, 2:22 trot, $300; No. 17, 2:09 pace, $300; twelve events for runners; H. W. Plant, Secretary.

Edmonton, Alberta, Aug. 9 to 14—Entries close Aug 7; No. 1, 2:25 trot, $600; No. 2, 2:14 pace or 2:09 trot, $600; No. 7, 2:09 pace or 2:04 trot, $600; No. 8, 2:30 pace or 2:25 trot, $600; No. 9, three-year-old pace or trot, $300; No. 14, 2:18 pace or 2:23 trot, $1000; No. 15, 2:20 trot, $600; No. 20, 2:14 trot, $600; No. 21, 2:25 pace or 2:20 trot, $600; No. 26, free-for-all, trot or pace, $600; No. 27, 2:30 pace or 2:25 trot, for 3- and 4-year-olds, $400; twenty events for runners; W. J. Stark, Manager.

Red Deer, Alberta, Aug. 17 to 20—Apply for program to Jas. Mann, Secretary.

We have at this office a number of circuit booklets and entry blanks not yet distributed, or same may be obtained upon application to secretaries of the various associations as given above.

DURFEE'S CONSIGNMENT TO CHICAGO.

Owing to the fact that adverse racing conditions here on the coast are exerting a "bear influence" on the trotting horse market and very few really desirable horses are changing hands at any kind of a price, Wm. G. Durfee of Los Angeles has consigned an even half dozen good racing prospects to the Chicago sale to be held May 11 to 13, in the hope that they will find a readier sale in that section where there is more racing in a month than in California in an entire season.

The consignment is headed by that ever-contending trotter, Alarich 2:09, trial 2:06¾, whose win-race record is 2:11¾ and who should prove a most useful horse in his class over tracks of either size, as he is a good going, clean gaited fellow and well educated. Nellie Mac, an eight-year-old daughter of Zolock 2:05¼, and the Del Coronado gelding Omar, of the same age, are the other trotters of the consignment, both out of good dams, both eligible to the green classes and both well along in their developed speed. The mare worked at Sacramento in 2:10¼ and has recently shown much faster, while the gelding has gone the route only a few seconds removed from the 2:10 circle, with short brushes at a two-minute gait.

The four-year-old Johnny Dugan, with a breeder's mark of 2:16 as a three-year-old, heads the pacing contingent and is a free-legged fellow, sound and straight, that should find no difficulties in pacing below ten this season, as he could pace a half in 1:04 last year. He is a Carlokin, from a producing dam, and Carlokins are pretty good horses for any one to own, if the summaries of the coast futurities of recent years are sound guides. The other side-wheelers are the youngsters Jim Cram and Sandy McNabb, both right all around, the former being a brother to Chango (3) 2:12¼, the son of Copa de Oro 2:01 that won the Oregon and State Fair pacing futurities and the three-year-old pace at Phoenix last year. The easterners needn't be afraid to grab any of this bunch, and westerners are reminded that in spite of this draft on his stable, Mr. Durfee still offers at private sale and proper prices some thirty head of individuals of proven quality and the highest promise.

PARK AMATEUR DRIVING CLUB REORGANIZES.

Members of the Park Amateur Driving Club met Tuesday evening at the Palace Hotel and effected a complete reorganization on a new basis, having dis-incorporated previously, and being reincorporated as a regular stock concern. The present valuation of the club's holdings and the number of memberships in force were the basis of the stock issue, there being forty-three shares uttered at a par value of $100 each. Under the new charter stock may be held in blocks of any size, each share carrying a vote, as in any ordinary corporation.

The following officers were elected: President, J. A. McKerron; Vice-President, I. L. Borden; Treasurer, Thomas Bannon; Secretary, F. W. Thompson; Directors, J. A. McKerron, F. W. Thompson, I. L. Borden, S. Christenson, Captain Matson, Thomas Bannon, H. M. Ladd, Joseph Perry, J. J. Gethin, I. B. Dalziel and D. E. Hoffman.

A COMPLIMENT TO MR. CONSIDINE.

John W. Considine, the Pacific coast theatrical magnate and owner of Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland, Cal., the home of Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, the sire of some very successful campaigners, has at present ten head of very high-class youngsters in Hunter Moody's stable at Lexington which are well engaged in the rich futurities. Among the Considine holdings at Lexington which strike one as destined to play prominent parts in later events are, Verbena Ansel out of Verbena Mc. by Directum Spier 2:11¼; Anseila, out of Ila Moko by Moko; Ansel's Bonnie, out of Woodland Bonnie Derby by Charles Derby 2:20; Edna Ansel, out of Edna Saunders, a sister of Adlon (3) 2:07¾ by Axworthy (3) 2:15½; Anselot, a full brother of Prince Lot 2:07¾, and Lottie Ansel (2) 2:14¼, the champion of her year on the coast; Lord Ansel, out of Lauress (dam of Laura Rodgers 2:11¼) by Mendocino 2:19½; Alma Ansel, out of Alma McGregor (2) 2:24½ by Jay McGregor 2:07¼, grandam Alma Vista 2:20¼ (dam of Alma Forbes (1) 2:24¾, (3) 2:10¼, etc.) by Direct 2:05½, third dam Eastmorn (the dam of four, including Alceste 2:07¼ and Justo 2:08¼) by Baron Wilkes 2:18; the above are by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½. Mr. Considine also owns Suldine (1) 2:24¾, the champion yearling colt trotter of 1914; a half brother of the latter also, and a two-year-old by Peter the Great 2:07¼ out of Miss Faribault (2) 2:26¾, the full sister of Ortolan Axworthy (3) 2:07½. Mr. Considine has shown the most admirable degree of sportsmanship in having so many youngsters in training in these parts and likewise nominating them in the various rich futurities, as his time is practically all spent in the extreme west and under the circumstances he is denied the pleasure of watching his property in this section develop. To have one or more of the above mentioned colts or fillies prove successful in the futurities would in reality be very beneficial to the whole trotting game in this section, and encourage many other western breeders to take active parts in the juvenile classes.—American Sportsman.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

A VISIT TO CURLES NECK FARM.

When Mr. C. K. G. Billings purchased Curles Neck Farm, about three years ago, many of his friends wondered why he did not locate in the Blue Grass region of Kentucky, where he could raise horses where the services of the champion trotting stallion, The Harvester 2:01, would be accessible to the owners of the best mares in that region.

I was fortunate on the occasion of my recent visit to Richmond, Va., in being the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Earing of Montezuma Farm on an automobile trip down to Mr. Billings' magnificent estate.

Curles Neck is situated about 14 miles southeast of Richmond, a city of 160,000 people and one of the most important cities of the South—on the north shore of the historic and romantic James river, and after an all too brief visit I came away with an entirely different picture of Curles Neck and the object of its purchase in my mind.

On an elevation overlooking the river stands Mr. Billings' residence, an old, colonial, red brick building that has been remodeled and beautified to suit a man of his means and taste, and a few yards below it moored at her dock lay the Vanadis, Mr. Billings' yacht, one of the most expensive and luxurious boats afloat. So, without asking any questions I had the key. The purchase of this old plantation permits the millionaire horseman to enjoy both of his hobbies—his horses and his yacht. He can stroll down the front walk from his country residence to the yacht and out the back door to his horse stables and elegant mile track.

The farm comprises 5,000 acres, 4,000 acres being in grass or cultivation and the other thousand acres being a game preserve and at the present time 1,000 acres have been sown to blue grass. Mr. Billings has been very liberal in his expenditures, not only on the farm, but on the roads leading to it. I was told that he had built many miles of graveled and clay roads in the last two or three years and presented them to the county. It would be impossible to get over the place in a day or even two days without the aid of a flying machine, in fact, if I was going to offer the slightest criticism, I would probably say it was too big.

The first building we came to after coming up through the long driveway that leads from the main road to the farm, was one of the large new brood mare barns, in which Mr. Earing and myself discovered several of our old friends, Larry Murphy, the man in charge of the broodmares and colts, being one of them, and Lou Dillon, the queen of the trotting turf, was the first matron to catch our eyes. Lou will produce to The Harvester about May 1st.

Yo San, the brown mare that trotted in 2:07 for Mr. F. G. Jones several years ago, has a beautiful Harvester filly by her side—foaled about the first of March. Caracas, one of the recent purchases, is nursing a filly a few weeks old sired by Dromore Farm's Justice Brooke 2:08¼. There are about 50 broodmares at Curles Neck, 42 of them being the property of Mr. Billings. The others are owned by his friends.

We were very sorry to find Thad Logan very sick with pneumonia—contracted while attending the March sale in New York. Thad's sickness, I am happy to say, has passed the critical stage but it will be several weeks before he will be sufficiently recovered to resume his duties.

Ed. Bush, whose stage name is "Dutch," took the blanket off from the champion and stated that on March 20 he weighed 1215 pounds. He is, it is unnecessary to state, the picture of robust health, his coat shining like polished ebony.

Uhlan 1:58, the champion trotting gelding, had just been shipped to Oyster Bay together with 14 others that will be used by Mr. Billings and his friends this spring under saddle.

There are about a dozen head in the training stable proper, six of them youngsters by different sires, three colts and three fillies. The stable, by the way, is a model of completeness, being equipped with everything that a trainer could ask for or money buy. In the second story of this building, which is of brick, is the boys' dormitory, large airy rooms, hot and cold water, shower baths, electric lights and plenty of good literature scattered around. Talk about a "place to flop." One look at that "apartment house" and you want to join the "groomsters' union."

A short distance from the training stable is a large brick building used for a garage and horseshoeing shop, the last named establishment being in charge of Mr. B. Verlander, an experienced shoer formerly of Richmond.

A little farther on and we come to the colt stables and covered track combined. The track is about 20 feet wide and it is about a quarter of a mile around it, and in the "centerfield" are 80 box stalls for the youngsters. A few steps from this building is the mile track, complete in every detail, a regular grand circuit outfit all but the grand stand. And if all of the tracks on the big ring are as good on race day this summer as this track was late in March, I am sure there will be no cause for complaint on the part of the drivers that race over them.

All of the buildings with the exception of the brick house and brick stables are painted a dark green with white trimmings. The fences are made of very light post and rail—being portable—and are also painted green. The long graveled drive-ways are kept in perfect condition; everything harmonizes. There seems to be nothing lacking on this vast estate and as we bade the faithful band of boys adieu and turned back towards the city I could sense, in a measure, the deep obligations the residents of that section of Old Virginia must feel towards the man who has come among them and with a lavish hand is spending vast sums of money in improvements which, while it enhances the value of his own vast holdings, increases the valuation of the adjoining properties as well.—James Clark, in the Horse World.

AMERICAN THOROUGHBREDS MAKE GOOD IN AUSTRALIA.

That American thoroughbred horses can win in any country was again demonstrated in Australia recently, when a son of Planudes won a race in Sydney. In speaking of the victory the Winner, the official sporting paper, says: "Yankee York just got home in the Gosford Handicap, one mile, defeating the unlucky Kirribilli, with Breeza Maid at her heels. The winner is small, but a great finisher. He is by the American sire Planudes, which is now at the stud in Victoria. Yankee York was imported to Australia before his father."

Yankee York is not the only American horse to win in far-off Australia. For the first time on record a horse bred in America has won the Australian Cup. Thoroughbreds from Australia, such as Darebin and Sir Modred, have done stud duty in this country, but it is of recent years that Australia has received an accession of blood from this country. Messrs. A. and G. Tye, proprietors of the Blackwood Park stud, Ferntree Gully, had the foresight to realize that the breaking up of famous breeding establishments in the United States presented a big opportunity for enterprising Australians. They sent Mr. Andrew Robertson across to make purchases on their behalf, and as a result there are two stallions of rare breeding—Mazagan and The Scribe—available at Ferntree Gully. Mr. Robertson brought with him some racing stock also. The Messrs. Tye, who do not race on their own account, gave Lempriere and other horses to train at Mentone. Robertson, formerly a trainer of trotters, has adapted himself quickly to the preparation of gallopers. His success with Lempriere in the cup race speaks well for American thoroughbred blood.—Thoroughbred Record.

John A. McKerron was a visitor in Woodland Wednesday, making the trip to the Yolo metropolis to measure a number of the equine ladies and gentlemen for custom made furnishings in the way of boots and other trappings, to be manufactured at his establishment here in the city and proudly aired by his customers at the fashion parade and speed contests at the P.-P. I. E.

RACING DATES

For the convenience of horsemen we have prepared the following schedule of racing dates so far announced of especial interest to followers of the western circuits and the major lines of the east. Cut out this schedule for future reference:

CALIFORNIA MEETINGS.

SAN FRANCISCO, P.-P. I. E.	June 5-19
SAN FRANCISCO P.-P. I. E.	Oct. 30—Nov. 13
FERNDALE	Sept. 6-10
FRESNO	
HANFORD	Oct. 5-9
RIVERSIDE	

NORTH PACIFIC FAIR and RACING ASS'N.

PORTLAND, OREGON	Beginning Aug. 2
SEATTLE, WASH.	Beginning. Aug. 9
VANCOUVER, B. C.	Beginning Aug. 13
CHEHALIS-CENTRALIA, WASH.,	Beginning Aug. 23
VANCOUVER, WASH.	Beginning Sept. 6
SPOKANE, WASH.	Beginning Sept. 13
HELENA, MONT.	Beginning Sept. 20
WALLA WALLA, WASH.	Beginning Sept. 20
VICTORIA, B. C.	Beginning Sept. 20
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.	Beginning Sept. 27
MISSOULA, MONT.	Beginning Sept. 28
SALEM, OREGON	Beginning Sept. 27
NORTH YAKIMA, WASH.	Beginning Oct. 4

WESTERN CANADA CIRCUIT.

EDMONTON, ALB.	May 22-25
REGINA, SASK.	June 23-25
CALGARY, ALB.	June 30—July 7
MOOSEJAW, SASK.	July 10-13
BRANDON, MAN.	July 19-24
REGINA, SASK.	July 26-31
SASKATOON, SASK.	Aug. 2-7
EDMONTON, ALB.	Aug. 9-14
RED DEER, ALB.	Aug. 17-20

GREAT WESTERN CIRCUIT.

CLEVELAND (North Randall), O.	July 19-24
DETROIT, MICH.	July 26-31
PEORIA, ILL.	Aug. 2-7
BURLINGTON, IA.	Aug. 9-14
GALESBURG, ILL.	Aug. 16-21
DUBUQUE, IA.	Aug. 23-28
DES MOINES, IA.	Aug. 30—Sept. 3
HAMLINE, MINN.	Sept. 6-11
MILWAUKEE, WIS.	Sept. 13-18
SPRINGFIELD, ILL.	Sept. 20-25
SEDALIA, MO.	Sept. 27—Oct. 2
MUSKOGEE, OKLA.	Oct 4-9
PHOENIX, ARIZ.	Nov. 8-30

GRAND CIRCUIT.

CLEVELAND (North Randall), O.	July 19-24
DETROIT, MICH.	July 26-31
KALAMAZOO, MICH.	August 2-7
GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.	Aug. 9-14
MONTREAL, ONT.	Aug. 16-28
NEW YORK (Empire City), N. Y.,	August 30—September 4
HARTFORD, CONN.	September 6-11
SYRACUSE, N. Y.	September 13-18
COLUMBUS, O.	September 20—October 2
LEXINGTON, KY.	October 4-16

IN THE UPPER SACRAMENTO.

Willows, Cal., April 26, 1915.

Breeder and Sportsman:—

I was in Marysville not long ago, for a few minutes only, and saw some of the best looking horses in America. Mr. Cooper of Yuba City has two gray pacers by Sir John S. 2:04½ out of a mare by Moses S. 2:19½ that can pace some and are fit for a show ring right now. Mr. Tucker of Oroville has a bay pacer that is a fine one and exceptionally good gaited, also a three-year-old by The Bondsman that will make anyone think they have been to a race if they get up against him. Also a Mr. Foster or Sawyer has a fine stable of five head, the handsomest three-year-old of the lot being a full brother to Sir John S.; he is a show horse, belonging to Mr. Vance, and is just getting well broken. I was not there long enough to gather many particulars, and one trainer's name has slipped my mind, but hope he won't feel "slighted."

In regard to the Rose Trix foal by The Proof bringing the highest price of the December sale for the age, I will say that her yearling by The Bondsman brought the top price of Chas. DeRyder's sale for all ages in April, 1914, at Pleasanton, and she should have a foal at almost any time now by Onward McGregor.

Dr. J. Randolph was buried here on the eleventh of the month and is sadly missed. He was a pioneer doctor here and owned one of the greatest green pacers in the world, Marlin by Dialect, dam by Clarence Wilkes.

They have some good horses in and around Red Bluff but are doing nothing with their track. Mr. Diggs is making a season with his Guy McKinney stallion, McAdrian 45391, and Mr. Morgan is doing a nice business with his pacer by Direct Robert, dam by Oseto 2:13½. John Andrews is on deck with his stallion North California 50141 by Altamont 3600, dam by William L., and never has to take him from his farm. So far as Glenn county is concerned, I do not believe there is a standard bred stallion in service there.

The racing association at Anderson met and reorganized recently and elected new officers as follows: J. J. Murray, president; H. H. Burbank, treasurer; Will Fairbanks, secretary, and Jack Mirandette, Captain Fairbanks, John Murray, George I. Stevenson and Andrew Wills, directors. They are having the track put in shape and plan to have a day's racing on May sixth, in which I will probably take part. I drive the best four-year-old in these parts of the hardpan, a sixteen hand buckskin by Hazelnut 2:25½ (son of Neernut and Hazelwood by Silkwood), out of Garra Patta by Pittock, second dam by Sidnator, third dam by Sterling, etc. His legs are somewhat crooked, caused by the cracks in our hardpan when the water evaporates, as he reaches out so far to cross them! I drive him from here to Anderson and beat the train, but not the Shasta. Nuf ced.

F. W. PERKINS.

THE LATEST FROM OMAHA.

In response to call of interested horsemen, a meeting was held last night in room 1402, Woodmen of the World building, with a bunch of lovers of the horse racing game in attendance. Enthusiasm ran high and in a very short time, among other things, the following matters were decided:

Omaha will enter the Nebraska Speedway Association.

Omaha will offer purses of $500, all other towns in the association offering only $400 purses.

The Omaha meet will be held August 5, 6 and 7, and will include trotting, harness and running races to the number of sixteen events.

Ed Peterson, grain man, was elected president of the Omaha association, and O. M. Smith was elected secretary.

The Omaha Automobile Speedway Association will at once begin the building of a half-mile track inside the auto speedway, and will erect stables, grandstand, etc., the total cost of which will amount to $100,000.

N. J. Ronin of Fremont, well known horseman, attended and assisted in the details of organizing.

Other towns in the Nebraska Speedway Association are Fremont, Beatrice, Kearney, West Point, Takamah and Wahoo.

Another meeting of the Omaha association will be held in the near future for the purpose of selecting a board of directors.—Omaha Daily.

KENTUCKY FUTURITY ENTRIES.

Eight hundred and fifty mares were nominated in the $21,000 Kentucky futurity for foals of 1915, entries to which closed April 1, according to an announcement by the Kentucky Trotting Horse Breeders' Association.

Walnut Hall Farm of the late L. V. Harkness heads the list with eighty-two mares nominated. The Patchen Wilkes Stock Farm of Kentucky comes second with eighty and the Allen farm of Pittsfield, Mass., is third with thirty. The Hudson River Stock Farm of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., is fourth with twenty-three, while C. K. G. Billings' Curles Neck farm in Virginia is fifty with twenty.

Entries were received from thirty states, the District of Columbia and Canada. Kentucky heads the list with 319, New York is second with 118, Massachusetts third with sixty-eight, Pennsylvania fourth with fifty-six and Ohio fifth with fifty nominations.

GETTING ON THEIR NERVES.

Do you know that many wealthy men get keyed up to concert pitch when their horses are racing?—men that speculate imperturbably in thousands, in other lines, but lose their nerve when they have horses in tight races.

I could cite numerous examples to authenticate my statement, but will confine myself to only a few striking instances. The late C. W. Marks, of Chicago, had made a fortune in the shoe business, and all his life had dearly loved the harness race horses. He was a charitable old bachelor, with very few relations and certainly did not need to worry about keeping the wolf from his door. The ownership of Joe Patchen 2:01¼ made Mr. Marks' name known throughout the racing world, and not only was "old Joe" a real asset in a publicity way, but the astute Yankee had taken advantage of the fact by naming a shoe—not a horseshoe!—after him. The "Joe Patchen shoe" hold readily, and Mr. Marks from it alone added greatly to his large fortune. When, finally, he parted with the great horse we all said that he was, after all, a cold-blooded old fellow and devoid of sentiment. I went to dinner with him one evening soon after, and got up sufficient nerve to ask him just why he sold Joe; stating that people thought it was not the action of a "good sport," in view of the prominence that the horse had given him.

"I know just what you mean," said Mr. Marks, "for some of my most intimate friends have made the same observation. And I'll tell you why I sold Joe. He got on my nerves! When he was racing I was strung up all the while, became very nervous, and I just couldn't bear to think of anything happening to him. It wasn't the money, you understand, but the feeling that if anything did happen I wanted someone else to be responsible. I know that I cannot make it clear to you, but that is the way I felt.

"The last few times the horse raced for me I was a nervous wreck, and, as I am getting old, I couldn't stand it. So I sold him."

Despite Mr. Marks' evident conscientious confession, it was difficult for me to appreciate his mental attitude. Just the same, I would like to take a crack at the proposition in order to ascertain how it would affect me!

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The late Howard Ford, of New York, provides another example. He came from a very wealthy family, but, through choice or otherwise, went to Arizona after his college days and became a ranchman. Now, a quarter of a century ago, an Arizona ranchman was not one who could "get by" without being game to the core, and a real man among the pioneer element whose law was largely based upon "beating the other fellow to the draw."

I have been informed that Mr. Ford, as an Arizonian, was highly successful, making a lot of money and holding his own in a country that was not a likely place for a quitter. So it's certain that he was game. Yet, one day, when Lord Allen (2) 2:11 was racing in a colt race at Pittsburgh, I thought that the then-master of historic Stony Ford Farm was about to collapse. Mr. C. W. Lasell, with Nowaday Girl (2) 2:14¾ gave Lord Allen a real battle in the first heat, and, chancing to look into the adjacent box where Mr. Ford was seated, I noted that he had fallen back in his chair and was gasping for breath. Being well acquainted with him, I went over and touched him on the shoulder, and then he greeted me in a tremulous way. "Did Lord Allen win?" he asked, and when I replied that he did, Mr. Ford gathered himself together, but was still very nervous. Presently he had completely recovered and was himself again; but he told me that the contest had strangely affected him.

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I can tell you the story of one of the coolest men I ever knew, but since he is alive, I cannot, for reasons of etiquette, mention his name. It was after one of the hardest-fought and most brilliant Transylvanias that the incident occurred. His entry was beaten after a tight fit and five awful heats, and next morning, when I went down to breakfast, I found him pacing the lobby of the old Phoenix Hotel in Lexington. He invited me to have breakfast with him, and stated that he was going to take the first train back home.

"But," I remarked, "you said you were booked to stay here for the entire meeting."

"I was," he returned, "but I got an awful jolt yesterday, and I simply have to get away from here. I spent a sleepless night, and I am going home to rest and try to forget."

"Did you bet much on your horse?" I inquired. He replied: "I didn't bet a penny. It was seeing him beaten after such a struggle that got me so worked up. I had my mind set on winning the race, and I never had anything occur to so upset me."

This gentleman, as I well knew, had acquired a great fortune, largely in speculation on the stock market, and had repeatedly taken chances in enormous deals, so it was not that he wasn't game—but simply sentimental.

I recall a westerner who had several large gambling houses in Colorado and Montana, and was racing a horse at St. Joseph, Mo., years ago. His driver wasn't the best in the land, and on this particular occasion was seen at his worst, losing a race that he could have won easily had he displayed any sort of judgment. All afternoon I sat with the owner, and he became so worked up and nervous that, but for his importunities, I would have sought other company. Before his horse was finally defeated he had me about as nearly "all in" as himself—talking, gesticulating, and acting like a candidate for an insane asylum.

"What's the difference?" I said to him after the race. "You haven't lost much—and I presume that the old percentage will come along, just the same."

I was properly rebuked when he turned upon me angrily and remarked:

"Lost much, h—! I lost a horse race, and that's what hurts!"

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A Teutonic friend of mine owned a mare who was racing on the Illinois Valley Circuit, and a right good old campaigner she was, despite two faults, breaking and pulling. When a race was split up, she would be found fighting for the last heat, and the pool tickets, providing, as is always the case, that she didn't outclass some good-gaited, steady one who got the coin and was ready to be tucked away in bed before she had settled down. Well, she won a heat, then lost a couple of others, and took the fourth. By this time she was thinking of her ancestors, who were said to be more or less inclined to cheat, and so made up her mind that she would spill the beans, and be just as cranky as she could—mean old thing. At any rate, she lost the fifth and sixth heats, and my German friend was not at all jubilant. It's a sort of self-constituted office that the poor newspaper man assumes, but always he is the one to offer first aid to the injured, the bearer of soothing ointment and lint to those who are bruised, distressed and troubled. I had been on duty all afternoon and walked 'steen miles up and down the stretch during the progress of the race, my perturbed friend leaning on me. The day was warm, and over in a near-by corn field you could hear the blades cracking as the great cereal was being heated in the process of its unfolding and struggle to reach maturity. Once more we tramped from the mare's quarters to the stretch, and while I was myself physically a trifle (?) torrid, my friend from over there where they are putting up that awful scrap was blowing and puffing like an over-worked steam engine. I knew instinctively that he was going to win, and with all the fervor that I could muster, so admonished him, but with little success. The old girl was getting tired and that meant that she would be less erratic, also I realized that she was a Marathon lady, and that the others were by now pretty well strung. She went away flat, led to the half, but very shortly made one of her regulation aerial flights, dropping several lengths astern of the field.

"I'm going," exclaimed her owner, with anguish in his voice.

I grasped his arm to detain him, and while he struggled he managed to say: "I got heart troubles, and I can't stand this sort of thing."

Fearing that he might drop over, I started to leave the stretch with him towing me. When we had reached the shade of the stand I looked around and saw that the mare had settled, was trotting at a good clip and fast overhauling her field. I so informed the sufferer, but it was not till he heard the shouts of the crowd, "She's got 'em!" that he looked trackward. The mare entered the short stretch four lengths to the good and won pulled up, and then it was that I received a deadening blow on my shoulder and another in my short ribs. My breath was taken away momentarily, but I could see a dancing figure before me and hear it enthusiastically exclaim, "I told you dot der mare would win all der time!"

It came to me then that there was a vast difference in the effect that winning or losing has upon weak hearts.

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But there is yet an analysis that must be made in order to appreciate the fact that one can become used to losing, and doing so without a qualm, whereas a few victories makes him super-sensitive.

The late August Uihlein, of Milwaukee, who was one of the largest brewers in this country, also one of the greatest failures as a breeder (he bred on a colossal scale), that the industry ever knew, may be cited. I suppose that the genial Teuton had bred at least two thousand standard-bred horses, but with scarcely a glint of success. Only a few of his raising ever won a race, the best of them being Don Labor 2:05¼, practically the only one above the ordinary from this immense number.

Mr. Uihlein was the fortunate purchaser of The Harvester 2:01 when that colt was sold at Madison Square Garden as an unbroken two-year-old, and it is gratifying to be able to say that the subsequent (and present) world's champion stallion repaid him for many previous disappointments. Time and again I had seen Mr. Uihlein's horses beaten and he simply took it as a matter of course, never saying a word to indicate whether he cared or not. In fact, he used to joke when one got the flag, and if they got in the money he seemed well pleased. But with The Harvester it was a totally different matter. In him he had a winner and his whole heart was in the horse.

With a party of friends and relatives he came to Columbus to see him race in the first futurity in which he started. Just before the first heat he sent for me in order to inquire whether or not there was a chance for defeat. I assured him that his colt would win easily and not to worry, but he seemed a trifle excited and requested that I stay with him during the race.

Mr. Geers drew the first heat rather fine with the colt, The Leading Lady being a ripping second. From the angle from which he viewed the heat, Mr. Uihlein thought his colt had lost, and with extreme sadness so advised his friends. I hastened to assure him that such was not the case, but it was not till the announcement was made that he was able to collect himself.

"Will you do me a favor?" he asked. "Go down and tell Mr. Geers that it doesn't make any difference to me how close a heat is, only that I had an uncle who died of heart disease."

Mr. Geers had a hearty laugh when I gave him the message. "Tell Mr. Uihlein not to worry, for the only way that The Harvester could lose this race would be if he had an attack of heart disease, or I had one." Chuckling and lighting a cigar he added, "Both of us are feeling mighty fine today."

The following week at Columbus, Mr. Uihlein and his friends returned to witness The Harvester's efforts in the Review futurity, but on this occasion he was so thoroughly confident that he figured his colt as being able to defeat any trotter then racing. Mr. John C. Bauer, publisher of the Review, was on hand and, as has been the practice with all Review events, brought with him the real money to pay out when the winners were decided. After the race I went to Mr. Uihlein and requested that he come over into our box and get his money. "No, no," he said, "give it to Mr. Geers."

"Nothing doing," I told him. "Mr. Geers wants you to collect it." "Very well," he replied, and when Mr. Bauer handed him $3,500 in new, crisp bills, he was momentarily nonplussed. To a man of his wealth, that sum was only a trifle, and a draft or cheque would have meant nothing at all; but the actual cash, won by a horse owned by him, and in his presence, was a far different matter. He sent for his Columbus agent and ordered him to send the money to Milwaukee by express.

Mr. Uihlein, as I pointed out previously, was a good loser, and a game man, but the prospect of having a winner beaten unnerved him.—Marque, Horse Review.

TACOMA HORSE LOVERS ORGANIZE.

A well attended meeting of lovers of both riding and driving horses was held in Tacoma on April 14, resulting in the formation of the Tacoma Riding and Driving Association, with officers as follows: Mr. L. Hyke, president; Mr. La Monte, vice-president; Miss Gladys Flemming, secretary; Mr. A. M. Button, treasurer, and Mr. T. A. Yowell, superintendent of speed. A membership committee was appointed at once and a vigorous campaign for the enrollment of five hundred members is now being conducted with most gratifying success.

Mr. Huntamer has secured an franchise on Thompson avenue for a speedway for horses only, and has given the Tacoma Riding and Driving Association the right to use the same for holding their matinees, which will take place at least every two weeks during the summer. Visiting horsemen from all parts of the country are invited to join in the Association's affairs at any time they chance to be in Tacoma, and a notification of their presence to Miss Flemming, 2306 South Yakima avenue, or to any of the other officers, will assure them of royal entertainment.

A NEW TRACK AT OMAHA.

For many years the Douglas County Agricultural Society has been without a fair grounds. It has given a small county fair in connection with the street carnival during the "Aksarben" celebration at Omaha each fall. Now it proposes to take its place with the other county societies of the country and give a real fair. With an adjacent population of 200,000 there is no reason why the venture should not be a great success. A plot of ground has been leased for five years near the Omaha Country Club and Krug Park, between Omaha and Benson. A half-mile race track will be built and once more the lovers of the horse in Douglas County will be able to enjoy their sport. James Walsh of Benson is president of the association. Mr. Agee of Waterloo is vice-president, John F. McArdle of South Omaha is secretary and Louis Henderson of Omaha treasurer. The dates for 1915 will be announced in the near future. Omaha used to be a great racing town and several world's records were made over the several courses in that city, but in the past twenty years only one or two meetings have been held. Several western trainers can doubtless be induced to make the new fair grounds their winter quarters if a good track is built and proper stabling constructed. A driving club may be organized to give a summer meeting and to put on the racing program for the fall fair.—Horse Review.

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ALL ALASKA SWEEPSTAKES.

[By Mrs. C. E. Darling.]

This race is run each year in April under auspices of the Nome Kennel Club, which was organized in 1908 by Albert Fink, who was the first president. It had from the beginning the enthusiastic support of all the dog lovers in the community, who very early perceived that not only was the club furnishing a clean, wholesome and thoroughly characteristic sport for the North, but that it was also improving the breed of dogs that are used so extensively in the development of the country.

Previous to the advent of dog racing in Nome, any dog that could stand on four legs and had strength enough to pull, was apt to be pressed into service, but since the races have become a recognized feature of the life there, a certain pride has manifested itself in dog drivers who aim to use only the dogs that are really fitted for the work. This is true even indifferent handling of their ill-fed, over-worked beasts of burden.

Now they, too, are in line for the "better dog" movement inaugurated by the Nome Kennel Club, and in one of the recent races there was a team of Eskimo dogs driven by an Eskimo who showed an intelligent understanding of the accepted fact that care and kindness given his dogs bring the quickest and surest return to dog users.

After the departure of the last boat in autumn, when the ice becomes solid on Bering Sea and the gray twilight of the northern winter settles down, not to be lifted until the long days of sunshine come in May, there is the awakening of intense interest in this unique sport.

Even in November the prospective entries, men and dogs, begin to train for the event, though, as a matter of fact, the men who go into it are usually those who are never altogether out of training. Their days are spent in work that hardens the muscles, followed by evenings devoted to indoor baseball, basketball, running races and, in fact, every conceivable exercise that will give strength and suppleness.

Smoking and drinking have no place in their routine, and a rigid diet is observed.

The dogs, which are carefully selected for speed and endurance, are fed upon the most nourishing foods and are driven daily increasing distances, until a little spin of a hundred miles or so at a time is a mere nothing.

If, as Mark Twain asserts, "it is difference of opinion that makes horse racing," it is the very widest difference of opinion that has made these Alaskan races such a thrilling, absorbing study and diversion to the ice bound dwellers on Bering Sea, for every man, woman and child on Seward Peninsula has an opinion to be verified as to the merits of the two types of dogs used in the contests.

The Siberians, generally and erroneously called in the papers Siberian wolfhounds, are suggestive of neither hounds nor wolves. On the contrary, they show strong traces of the fox, and have pointed noses, thick hair, prick ears and bushy tails curled over their backs.

The Alaskans, merely a comprehensive name used for convenience, and to distinguish them from the distinct Siberian type, may be pointers, setters, St. Bernards, collies, Airedales or what not, with frequently a pronounced timber wolf strain inherited from McKenzie river huskie or Eskimo ancestor.

Each type has its stanch supporters and admirers, and for good cause. The Siberians are wonderfully even and steady in their work, gentle, tireless and requiring but little food, and but little time in which to digest it; while the Alaskans, though needing longer rests and more frequent feeding, show at times almost incredible bursts of speed that belie apparent weariness.

Irish, one of the Allan and Darling leaders, can pace a mile in three minutes, and Spot, one of the fleetest members of the same kennel, has trotted four miles in little more than thirteen minutes after having led his team thirty miles over a bad trail. There are several others that "Scotty" Allan has trained that boast their fifteen to sixteen miles an hour in short dashes.

The Alaskans seem to manifest, besides, a pride that speaks of forefathers bred and broken to field work, and a responsive intelligence that many of the native dogs apparently lack.

The number of dogs driven in a team is entirely optional with the driver, and varies according to his idea of how many can be used to advantage—it being a nice point in the sport to select enough to keep up to the required standard of speed and endurance, yet not enough to embarrass himself with too many for good team work. This year the teams ranged from ten to eighteen dogs each.

That there shall be no cruelty to dogs that might become, by chance, lame or exhausted, or in any manner a detriment, an invariable rule of the Nome Kennel Club makes it necessary to return with every dog, alive or dead, with which the team started. In this way it is to every driver's advantage to keep his dogs in the best of condition that he may not be obliged to carry a dead or disabled dog on his sled.

The drivers, also, can use their own discretion about the number and length of the stops to be made—only one being obligatory at Candle, 204 miles from Nome, and the end of the first half of the race. Here the teams are examined and checked up by judges appointed by the club.

Not the least scientific feature of the race is the ability of the driver to realize exactly how much rest he can afford to take himself and give his dogs, without the unnecessary loss of a moment.

The stops are made at villages, camps and relay stations, and here food for all of the contestants is distributed by commissary teams furnished by the Nome Kennel Club. This food is put up in hermetically sealed tins, enough in each tin for one feeding; and each dog's allowance is wrapped separately in a piece of muslin, so that there is no loss of time in dividing it into proper portions.

Throughout the year the dogs are fed on rolled oats, dried salmon and the flesh of the white whale, which is oily and full of nutriment, with sufficient bones to keep them in condition. But during the races their food consists of chopped beef and mutton mixed with eggs and cooked. Then it is frozen to be kept as long as may be necessary.

The only equipment carried on the light racing sleds, which are made of hickory and lashed with reindeer sinews or walrus hide, is an assortment of furs and water boots for the men, and certain extra comforts for the dogs in the way of tiny canton flannel moccasins as a protection for the feet in case of icy trails; green veils for the eyes, if the sun is too strong, and blankets.

In every resting place the dogs are considered first and no man thinks of himself till his dogs are rubbed with alcohol, fed and bedded. In case of any stiffness, hot antiphlogistic applications are used. Many of the drivers sleep on the floors with their dogs, or at least share their bunks with the leader of the team.

It should be understood that, as the dogs are not driven with reins, but by spoken orders, the leader of the team must understand all that is said to him and guide the others according to directions. An excellent leader is, therefore, an absolute necessity, and in most teams there will be found several dogs capable of filling that important post.

A driver rarely sits in the sled during the race, but runs behind, pushing as hard as possible and jumping on and off the projecting runners from time to time to rest.

The trail for the most part lies along a telephone line, so that news of the progress of the teams is constant. One learns of the condition of the men and dogs at every station, and bulletins are posted at all public places in Nome—in restaurants, clubs and along the streets.

Sometimes, despite months of ceaseless training and marvelous dogs, the "luck of the trail" may be against a man, and a broken sled runner, losing the trail, or some other slight or serious accident may turn an anticipated and deserved victory into defeat, quite out of any human reckoning.

Out of the seven races that have already taken place, the Siberians driven by John Johnson have won two, making in 1910 the record time over the 408 mile course—a little more than 74 hours—while the Alaskans have been victors in five of the events, three of these falling to A. A. ("Scotty") Allan, who in this year's contest, as usual, drove the Allan and Darling team.

The winning of this race, unique in its dangers and unparalleled conditions, is a great achievement, and the losing is a great one, too, for

"There's honor and praise awaiting
And whether they win or fail,
They're heroes all in the eyes of the North
For their pluck on the Arctic Trail!"

A summary of the 1915 race is the following:

Nome, Wednesday, April 14.—Five teams, driven by the most expert drivers in the North, got away at 9 o'clock this morning in the 408-mile All-Alaska Sweepstake dog race over the snow trail from Nome to Candle and return. Every man, woman and child in Nome was out to cheer the drivers as they crossed the starting line, and until the 80-hour journey is finished the progress of the racers will be the sole topic in this camp.

The five starters were A. A. (Scotty) Allan, driving the team of 16 Malamutes owned jointly by himself and Mrs. Charles E. Darling of Berkeley, Cal.; Alex Holmson, driving Siberian dogs owned by Dr. Kittilsen; Paul Kjegstad, driving his own "bird" dogs; Leonard Seppala, driving his own Siberians, and Eskimo John, a native driver, who is piloting the team entered by the Council Kennel Club. Fred Ayer's team of fast fox-hounds, which were looked upon as likely winners, became sick yesterday and were withdrawn.

Two hours after the teams left Nome they passed Cape Nome, with Kjegstad in the lead, but when Solomon, 32 miles from Nome, was reached "Scotty" Allan was in front with the others in close pursuit. Allan's time to Solomon was 3 hours and 41 minutes, 28 minutes slower than his time last year when he led into the first checking station.

Allan did not stop to rest at Solomon, but pressed on toward Timber, 64 miles from Nome, with Holmson, Eskimo John and Kjegstad in close pursuit. Their time to Solomon was: Holmson, 4 hours, 7 minutes; Eskimo John, 4 hours and 8 minutes, and Kjegstad, 4 hours and 13 minutes. Kjegstad was the only one of the four to stop for rest, taking five minutes at Safety, 21 miles from Nome.

Nome, April 25.—Over the heaviest trail in years, at Solomon, 32 miles from Nome, Allan had passed the others, but was being hard pressed by Paul Kjegstad.

Seppala's team jumped into the lead late today and entered Gold Run, 182 miles from Nome, 1 hour and 14 minutes ahead of the Allan-Darling team.

Seppala's time was 28 hours and 41 minutes, 5 hours faster than any previous time to Gold Run. He stopped only 7 minutes to change his leader and then started ahead through the snow for Candle, 24 miles away, the turning point in the 408 mile race. Allan rested his dogs 20 minutes and then started out after Seppala.

Eskimo John, driving the Council Kennel Club's team, dropped into fourth place between Haven and Gold Run, Paul Kjegstad's "bird" dogs beating the native driver into that station by 22 minutes. Alex Holmson, driving Doctor Kittilsen's team of eighteen Siberians, was only two minutes behind the Eskimo. The dogs and drivers are all in excellent condition.

Nome, April 16.—With the leaders less than 100 miles from the finish line at Nome, the race tonight developed into a contest of skill between Seppala and Allan and of endurance between Seppala's 16 Siberians and the Allan-Darling team of 16 bred Malamutes.

At 7:15 tonight Seppala, who is leading, drove into Council, 85 miles from Nome, having driven a total of 327 miles in 58 hours and 15 minutes. At that hour Allan was 40 minutes out from Boston Roadhouse, 20 miles farther from Nome. Allan was in the lead when Boston was reached at 2:17 p. m. Seppala arrived there 33 minutes later, but instead of resting his dogs as Allan did, he took to the trail again after a stop of only 20 minutes.

Allan paid no attention to Seppala's haste for several hours, but when the time passed that Seppala should have arrived at Council, Allan became suspicious that his rival was camping just outside that station to mislead his opponents concerning the condition of his dogs. Allan immediately put his team into harness and started off at full speed toward Council. He believed the four hours' rest given his dogs at Boston would enable him to outdistance Seppala on the last 85 miles of the trail.

Eskimo John, driving the Council Kennel Club's team, is in third place, and has been driving hard to overcome Allan's three hour lead. The Eskimo arrived at Boston at 5:30 p. m., his time for the 305 miles being 56 hours and 30 minutes. At the last report he was giving his dogs a much-needed rest.

Paul Kjegstad's team is running a poor fourth, while Dr. Kittilsen's 18 Siberians appear hopelessly out of the race. Kjegstad arrived at Telephone Creek, fifteen miles beyond Boston, at 5:40 tonight. His time for 290 miles was 56 hours and 40 minutes.

Alex Holmson, driving Dr. Kittilsen's team, arrived at Camp Haven, 24 miles behind Kjegstad, at 4:30 p. m., with eight of his dogs down. After resting 2 hours he started again, carrying the used-up dogs on his sled. This puts a heavy burden on the 10 strong Siberians left in his team.

Nome, April 17.—Seppala won late today the 408-mile All-Alaska Sweepstake dog team race, which started at 9 o'clock last Wednesday morning. His time for the course was 78 hours 44 minutes and 37 seconds, 4 hours 30 minutes and 17 seconds slower than the record established by John Johnson's Siberian team in 1910.

When Seppala's footsore dogs limped across the line in their quaint-looking little moccasins which Seppala had fitted to their feet to protect them from the rough snow trail, "Scotty" Allan was just passing Fort Davis, five miles out from Nome, with the Allan-Darling team.

Eskimo John was approaching Safety Roadhouse, 21 miles away, and will finish third.

Besides winning a purse of $3,000, Seppala captured the most highly prized honors in Alaska sporting circles, the title of foremost dogmusher in the North.

Despite a heavy snowstorm, every man, woman and child able to be outdoors lined Front street and cheered wildly as Seppala drove toward the finish line in front of the Board of Trade Saloon, where his wife, who was elected queen of the Sweepstakes at the carnival last Saturday night, was waiting to greet him.

At 1:45 o'clock this afternoon Seppala's team passed Cape Nome, 13 miles from the finish. Allan passed Cape Nome one hour behind Seppala, who had gained 15 minutes in 19 miles. The Eskimo passed Solomon, 32 miles from Nome, at 1:45 p. m.

When only 32 miles from the finish line Seppala and his team were leading Allan by only 35 minutes.

Seppala passed Solomon, 32 miles out, having covered 380 miles in 73 hours and 25 minutes. Forty-five minutes behind Seppala, Allan drove his Malamutes into Solomon and prepared for the dash to Nome; still hopeful that his speedy dogs would overtake the short lead held by Seppala's Siberians. Seppala's dogs began suffering from sore feet before he reached Council last night and he had to lay over there seven hours to give his dogs a rest.

Allan would have been well ahead of Seppala had his dogs not run off the trail last night, setting him back four hours. Allan left Council, 85 miles from Nome, at 10:30 o'clock last night.

He had gone only a short distance toward Timber, 21 miles away, when one of his leaders, which was running loose ahead, turned off onto a miner's trail, where the Nome trail crosses Fox river. A light snow was falling, obscuring the trail, and when Allan's team turned up the false trail after the loose dog, Allan did not notice that they were off the right track.

After going a short distance up the river, Allan started to turn back, but the loose leader, also realizing that he was on the wrong trail, started to take a short cut and became lost.

Allan tied his team to a tree and set out after the loose dog, which circled around and headed back toward Council. Allan returned for his team and then followed the runaway back to the station he had left at 10:30 o'clock, arriving there at 12:36 o'clock this morning.

The runaway dog was waiting for him. During this manoeuver Allan traveled 25 miles and wasted four hours. His dogs were tired and he rested until daylight, leaving soon after Seppala resumed the journey toward Nome.

Eskimo John, the native driver handling the Council Kennel Club's team, is still running third, an hour and a half behind Allan. Paul Kjegstad's team of 16 "bird" dogs is several miles behind the Eskimo, while Alex Holmson, driving Dr. Kittilsen's team of 18 Siberians, 8 of which are so badly used up that they cannot travel, and must be carried on the sled, is out of the race. At the last report Holmson was resting at Boston Roadhouse, 107 miles from Nome.

FISH AND GAME LAW VIOLATORS ARRESTED.

Fish and Game Commission officials are no respecters of persons when it comes to making arrests and conducting prosecutions for violations of State fish and game laws. John Robbins, a special Deputy Fish and Game Commissioner, was arrested recently at Redding on a charge of killing a deer in Mill Creek canyon, Tehama county. Robbins was fined $150 by Judge E. F. Lennon, with the alternative of 150 days in jail. Habeas corpus proceedings were instituted by Robbins' attorney on technical points of procedure at the time of sentence by the trial judge.

Another special Deputy Commissioner, R. W. Robbins, was arrested by Deputy Commissioner M. S. Clarke on a charge of fishing without a license. The accused deputy was relieved of his badge and credentials and the case was set to come up at Almaden, Santa Clara county.

Justice of the Peace William H. Skinner of White Oak township, El Dorado county, was arrested by Game Warden Euell Gray of Placerville, and convicted on a charge of having quail in his possession during close season. Gray, while escorting a game law violator to the judge's court, overtook the judge on the road, and was astonished to see part of a dead quail protruding from a sack in the judge's possession, it is claimed. The party proceeded to Judge Skinner's office, where Gray's prisoner, a Greek, was fined $25 for a game law misdemeanor. Gray went to Placerville the following day and swore out a warrant for the judge. For some reason or other the case was postponed until last month. Judge Skinner, in acknowledging the corn, offered the explanation that he had found the dead quail by the roadside and was taking the bird home for his cat. Judge Clarke Howard of Placerville imposed a fine of $25, which was paid.

A total amount of $6,327 has been collected for fish and game law violations in this State for the quarter ending March 31. It is a noticeable fact that arrests on these charges are diminishing throughout the State. Evidently the fish and game laws are becoming better understood and more respected.

In the San Francisco district during January there were 63 arrests and $840 in fines collected; 32 arrests and $455 collected in February; 41 arrests and $880 in March—a total of 136 arrests and $2,175 for this district.

For the Sacramento district January had 13 arrests and $195 in fines paid; February, 27 arrests, $770; March, 16 arrests, $365—56 arrests, $1,330. Los Angeles district: January, 12 arrests, $142; February, 7 arrests, $100; March, 30 arrests, $2,580 paid in fines—49 arrests, $2,822. Fresno district: January, 6 arrests, $75; February, 11 arrests, $235; March, 11 arrests, $175.

The Merced county supervisors recently passed a new ordinance regulating fishing in the county, to replace the old measure. The new one prohibits seining for striped bass, black bass, salmon, perch, catfish and crappie at all times, and prohibits the seining of any fish in the months of June and July except with a dip net.

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Shore fishing for sea trout, capazoni and rock cod is improving daily. Hugh Copeland landed a dozen fine fish at Fort Point a week ago. One capazoni weighed three pounds. "Kelp cod" have been caught plentifully in the bay off Yellow Bluff and Point Cavalho recently.

Big catches of rock cod were made along the Marin shore, near Point Blunt, last Sunday.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

Fish Lines

Fly fishing conditions should be much improved in the near-by trout streams from now on, weather conditions having been conducive for the appearance of insect life about the creeks and the waters getting lower daily. Most of the resorts within easy reach of this city have been pretty well gone over, however, and there is now an aggravating absence of large-sized trout, according to many anglers' experiences.

The open season for the Sierra streams will commence today. High and roilly water, however, will not offer any fishing other than with bait.

What the prospects for Truckee river fishing are for the coming season is a matter closely followed by rodsters, who are awaiting the annual trip to that grand trout water. A recent report from R. J. Little states that "flies will not be in much demand near Boca on the opening day. The river is high and roilly, and there is still plenty of snow on the mountains."

Klamath river fishing, it is believed, will start from May 1 to 6 for the big steelhead trout for which the river is famous. Al M. Cummings and wife are now at the Hot Springs resort and will soon be joined by a number of local fishermen.

The headwaters of the Garcia river were prospected recently by Dr. Henry Abrams and party. Trout were fairly plentiful, but the streams were too high for the best results with fly hooks. From now on the sport in that section should improve. The roads to the Ornbaun valley section, via Cloverdale, are in fine shape for machine travel.

Pieta and Big Sulphur creeks are also recommended for a trial now by anglers who know these streams. The roads in that district are also in good condition for auto trips. The creeks in the upper district of Napa valley are beginning to show evidence of depletion. The trout campaign in that district has been a strenuous one. Near Duncan's Mills the creek in Freezeout gulch is panning out well. W. Foreman's visit was repaid with a pleasing basket of fish.

Steelhead trout from five to seven pounds in weight, besides catches of smaller fish, were made a week ago by Salmon Creek Rod and Gun Club members in the lagoon and holes of Salmon creek, above Bodega bay. Ned Bosqui, David Hearfield, Harold Hearfield, Nat Boas, Frank Engstrom, Baron Hoxie and James Maynard were some of the rodsters.

Not for several years past has trout fishing been so good on Coyote creek, at Gilroy Hot Springs, as it is at present. Every angler who has tried the creek has returned with creels containing from thirty fish to the limit number, trout running from seven to nine inches in size. Among the many rodsters who have fished the Coyote, since the opening day, were: Lieutenant-Colonel A. W. Yates, W. J. McDonald, Peter Cupich, Walter Talcott, C. Forbes, C. C. Morehouse, Anthony Serpa and W. H. Cameron. Colonel Yates and McDonald fished Dexter creek, a confluent of the Coyote, one day with great luck. Four steelhead trout averaging two pounds each were part of the catch. Fly-fishing conditions on the Coyote will be good about the middle of May.

G. W. Fisher, H. Mooney, Al Tallant and Peter Peterson made up the first party on the Little Sur, in Monterey county this season. They found the roads very bad. The stream was well stocked with small fish. The largest trout caught was a 6-pounder, taken in the lagoon. Dave Sachs recently tried the upper waters of Carmel river. Small trout and poor roads for machine going were the unappealing conditions found.

The Llagas river produced limit baskets on a Thursday trip for Dr. J. H. Conroy and Dr. Rader—good-sized fish the catches happened to be. The Santa Clara and Santa Cruz streams are generally well stocked with trout, it is said.

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The California Anglers' Association members held an enjoyable whist seance at the club rooms Wednesday evening, April 21. These gatherings are gaining in popularity. Arrangements for the association annual banquet is in the hands of a committee composed of Dr. L. T. Cranz, George Wentworth, Lloyd Spence, Harry Thomson and Milton Frankenburg.

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Another shift in the scene of striped bass activities developed last week, when a number of bass chasers connected with the fish in various parts of Petaluma creek. One boat operating near the "red barn" landed four fish, another boat's crew caught three bass. In fact, nearly every fisherman on the creek, above Black Point, caught a bass or more, the fish averaging five and six pounds, a 12-pound bass being the heaviest taken. From Schultz sloughup to Petaluma, a number of bass were also caught, fish running from 7 to 11½ pounds. "Bullheads" were the killing baits used. Franklin brothers returned to their ark in the San Antone with a 10 and a 14-pound bass.

Near the mouth of the creek, usually called "Asylum" creek, where it joins Napa creek, the striped fish were plentiful last Sunday. One 12-pound fish was landed by William Wheeler, who used a small dead trout for bait. A Napa fisherman made a catch of five fine bass. Several rodsters who had been fishing farther up Napa creek for steelhead trout, joined in the raid on the bass. They fished with trout tackle and hooked on to bass, but were soon cleaned out, as the trout lines were not long enough to play the big fish.

Reports from Wingo during the week indicate that striped bass are running again. Sunday every fisherman in that section was successful in getting fish. Charles Urfer tried Appleby bay, down the creek about twelve miles from Wingo, a favorite spot with the bass fishermen. Four fish, scaling 8, 10, 12 and 14 pounds, was his catch.

At the Traps

American Championship.—All the noted amateur target shooters of the country, including Woolfolk Henderson of Lexington, Ky., winner of the national amateur championship and the G. A. N. handicap of last year, will be seen in action at the tenth annual competition for the clay target amateur championship of America, held at Travers Island, yesterday and today. The New York Athletic Club is in charge.

Two hundred targets will be shot at each day, the contest on April 30 being in the nature of a preliminary run for honors, with five trophies for the several events. Today will be the day for the decision of the amateur championship, and there will be ten trophies to be shot for, including the chief honor. Today also the interclub five-men team race will be shot. This will be under novel arrangements, for instead of naming a team of five men who will be compelled to represent the clubs which may enter, the clubs will have the privilege of selecting the scores the five highest made by members as the team score and the award will be made on that selection.

Philadelphia, Boston, Baltimore, Wilmington, Pittsburg and Chicago are expected to have teams in competition for this prize under these unusual conditions. There will be a suitable gold medal for each member of the team. There are to be special prizes for the longest continuous run at the traps in the two days, for the highest average and for the high scores at each of the four traps.

Shooting at all the events will be allowed at 16 yards, any standard load allowed. As shooting is to begin each day at 8:30, the club has decided to extend to all entrants the courtesies of the clubhouse during the two days' meeting.

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Sacramento Notes.—The members of the Big Time Gun Club have been divided into five classes, and will begin shooting for valuable prizes offered by the Dupont and Hercules Powder Companies.

Owing to the rapid increase in the membership of the club it has been necessary to install a new trap. There are two of the latest model Legget professional traps for the use of the members at the Schenck ranch now. The membership has reached 111. Application has been made for entrance into the California-Nevada Trap Shooters' Association.

The winner in each of the five classes mentioned will be awarded a silver spoon.

Arrangements have been made to have automobile service from the end of the Traction street car service to Schenck's ranch for the accommodation of the shooters. With the completion of the big new shed, there is plenty of room for all members and their friends at the grounds.

The feature of last Sunday's shoot was the performance of several of the women scatter-gun experts. Miss Lillian Stroud made a remarkable run of 16 straight.

A 25-bird shoot was the card at the last meet. Ten squads shot for prizes. The first five squad winners: First squad, E. L. Ilger, 24 birds; second squad, Monte Newbert, 23 birds; third squad, George Newbert and H. E. Odbert tied with 22 birds; Ralph Jose with 20, and W. C. Thielan with 18, took fourth and fifth places. The next shoot will be May 2.

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Salinas Shoot.—The Rodeo Gun Club has selected Sunday, May 2, as the date of its big bluerock shoot, and appointed committees to make the needed arrangements. There will also be a barbecue. Sportsmen are expected from San Francisco, San Jose and other cities.

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In the Contra Costa Hills.—The recently organized Moraga Gun Club will hold a tournament May 9, on the new grounds in Moraga valley, twenty-five minutes' ride from Oakland. Three fine cup prizes will be hung up for winning shots, and a luncheon will be served gratis to shooters participating. Fred Parrish is secretary of the new club. Entries can be made with "Pop" Merrill at 343 Thirteenth street, Oakland.

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May Blossom Shoot.—Ray Hogg, the San Jose shotgun expert, announces a merchandise trap shoot at Saratoga during the blossom carnival, Saturday, May 1.

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Pajaro Valley Birds.—The Hollister Gun Club opened the season Sunday. The officers of the Salinas Valley Club are: Russel Jarvis, president; Charles M. McKee, secretary; W. F. Shaw and R. L. Townsend, financial committee. The club has a membership of twenty-five shooters.

Shoot In the Rain.—Exposition City Gun Club members, two squads of them, all duck hunters and used to rainy weather conditions, turned out Sunday to smash clay pigeons during the club monthly shoot at the Easton trap grounds. The club schedule gave each man 100 birds to shoot at from the sixteen-yard mark.

Fred Stall of Winnemucca and J. F. Dodds of Imperial, visiting trigger pullers, divided high-gun honors with 89 out of 100 birds each. E. Hoelle was high average among the club shooters with the good score of 85. Dick Reed, the professional, led the bunch, however, with a total of 93 kills. He also broke a 20 and 15 straight, the only other clean score shot during the day was by Stall.

Stall snuffed out 20 birds in the double shoot at twelve pairs, following the club events. The other scores were: Hoag 19, Brickell 15, Swenson 15, Straessler 13, Landry 12, Forestier 7. Scores in the regular club matches follow:

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	Ttl
Birds—	25	20	20	20	15	100
R. C. Reed	23	18	20	17	15	93
J. F. Dodds	23	17	17	18	14	89
Fred Stall	21	17	17	20	14	89
E. Hoelle	21	16	17	18	13	85
H. Brickell	21	16	15	18	14	84
W. A. Landry	17	18	17	18	14	84
E. Straessler	19	15	16	16	11	77
E. L. Hoag	20	13	12	17	9	71
E. H. Forestier	17	12	15	11	4	59
P. Swenson	11	12	14	12	10	59

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Smelter Smoke.—Charles Flanagan, the well known professional shot of Great Falls, carried off the honors of the day at the shoot of the local club, at the recent Twin Bridges, Idaho, shoot. He also made a run of 67 without a miss. Twenty-seven shooters took part in six events. Butte was represented by the following shooters: Smith, Weatherwax, Poore, Allen, Pritchett, Goddard and Willoughby.

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Stockton Traps.—M. Leffler was high gun at the Mineral Baths shoot last Sunday, where a good crowd saw him average 96%. The scores follow:

Birds—	10	15	25	Pct.
M. Leffler	10	15	23	96
H. Balkwill	9	14	22	90
J. Enos	10	11	24	90
Y. S. Johnson	10	11	23	88
George Ellis	9	13	21	86
W. Grimsley	8	14	18	80
J. Linabary	4	13	21	76
F. Garrow	8	12	18	76
W. Wilson	8	13	16	74
E. Graham	8	12	16	72
J. Ross	8	10	18	72
H. Lonjers	7	8	20	70
J. Phillipson	5	12	17	68
E. Nelson	8	11	12	62
J. Sutter	9	10	12	62
R. Fyfe	4	2	4	20
E. Knowles	10	11	..	..
E. Dunkum	7	11	..	..
C. Rothenbush	..	..	18	..
C. McIntire	..	..	12	..

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Santa Crusans Smash Clays.—O. Nutter won the medal Sunday at the Harmony Gun Club's monthly shoot held at Capitola. His score was 23. Captain Eunis won the medal on doubles with a score of 8.

The scores were (15-bird practice): Eunis 14, Lent 13, Nutter 13, Van Olinder 11, O'Connor 10, Blodgett 12, Cunison 10, Jordan 11, Hoig 12, Gross 8.

Club shoot (25 birds): Eunis 21, Lent 21, Nutter 23, Van Olinder 17, O'Connor 15, Blodgett 19, Cunison 18, Jordan 20, Hoig 20, Gross 12.

Shoot at five pair, doubles: Eunis 8, Lent 7, Nutter 7, Hoig 7, Blodgett 6, Van Olinder 4, O'Connor 3, Cunison 5, Jordan 5, Gross 4, Coon 6.

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Garden City Powder Puffs.—The San Jose Blue Club tourney will be attended by several of the Golden Gate Gun Club expert. The Garden City club will hold a three-day registered tournament, under Interstate Association rules, next month. One of the feature events of the shoot will be a three-man team match between Golden Gate Gun Club and San Jose Blue Rock Club teams. Toney Prior, Barney Worthen and Emil Hoelle will comprise the local trio of clay pigeon smashers.

O. N. Ford shot in first place in the weekly shoot of the San Jose Blue Rock Club this week. Mrs. Ada Schilling broke on less clay, scoring 92 out of a possible 100. She made the last 25 straight. All members of the local club will go to Saratoga today to shoot at the festival.

Score: O. N. Ford 93—100, Ada Schilling 92—100, E. W. Jack 91—100, C. R. Arques 80—100, John Gulbert 75—100, O. A. Smith 75—100.

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Good Time Shoot.—At Martinez, a week ago, a team of Alhambra Gun Club members—Fred K. Burnham, Sheriff Veale, Deputy Sheriff Veale, Harold Havens and Fred Webster, defeated the Family Club team—H. Brickell, W. A. Landry, J. W. Dorsey, W. B. Sanborn, H. O. Harrison, S. Splivalo, J. R. Miller and "Duke" Orndorff—by a margin of about 55 birds. Each contestant shot at 100 birds. The battle in the Contra Costa hills took place at F. K. Burnham's Spring Hill farm. The shoot was well attended, and those present were royally entertained.

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Venice Traps.—Aprill 11 was a beautiful day. The opening of the Coast League ball season, trout fishing and a merchandise shoot at the Long Beach Gun Club kept the Los Angeles Gun Club attendance down. Quite a little practice work was indulged in, however, by those present. The scores made follow: D. E. Llewellyn shot at 125, broke 88; C. E. Groat, 125—85; C. H. Richards, 125—73; H. Cline, 125—61; F. M. Young, 175—39; F. H. Nichols, 100—72; B. G. Adams, 100—64; M. T. Tungate, 75—53; F. E. Buckingham, 75—52; S. Isaacs, 75—44; Mrs. C. E. Groat, 50—39; F. H. Teeple, Jr., 50—38; M. D. Towne, 50—31; S. A. Bruner, 50—48; Dr. Thomas, 50—41; F. H. Teeple, Sr., 25—19.

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Live Bird Session.—The California Wing Shooting Club live bird shoot for May is scheduled for the Sobrante grounds tomorrow.

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Trapshooting at Night.—Wilmington will be the scene of extensive experiments in the line of trapshooting at night in the near future. The plan will not be tested until the weather conditions become more favorable, which will probably be very shortly. All the local sportsmen are heartily in favor of the idea and will give their undivided support to make the plan a success.

The man who on account of business finds it inconvenient to take time to shoot during the week will soon be able to enjoy his favorite sport without interfering with his business. Many men will be able to witness contests in the "sport alluring" who never before saw the clay saucer fly. A good wholesome recreation will be afforded the sporting population of Wilmington on the fast approaching warm summer evenings.

The idea, according to the DuPont Magazine, is not altogether new, having been tried on December 12 at Salem, N. J., by the members of the Salem Yacht, Gun and Rod Club. A tournament was staged on that night in which about fifty shooters participated. Some very high scores were made, the highest of which was made by Neaf Apgar, who broke 47 out of 50. Twelve shooters broke over 40 out of 50 birds.

By the simple but efficient lighting system the birds are as visible as in broad daylight. The darker the night the plainer the targets appear. Several expert shots say they experience no difficulty in seeing the birds and state further that the brightness of the light does not affect their aim.

The lights are in three positions: (1) Each gunner has a light directly above and in back of him. These lights do not illuminate the target but are solely for the purpose of giving the shooter light by which to adjust his gun. (2) Lights thrown out from the trap house and expressly for target illumination. (3) Reinforcement lights situated on the balcony of the club house complete the illumination. The light is thrown out from this position by huge 18-inch reflectors. The current used is taken directly from the regular city current with the aid of a stepdown transformer which brings the voltage to 110 on an alternating current. Ordinary methods of installation and No. 6 copper wire are used. The lamps are of the 1000 watt variety. This system gives sufficient light for the purpose.

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Interstate Association Tournaments—

May 11, 12, 13—The Interstate Association Tenth Southern Handicap Tournament, Memphis, Tenn., under the auspices of the Memphis Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Southern Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

June 15, 16, 17—The Interstate Association's Tenth Western Handicap Tournament, St. Louis, Mo., under the auspices of the Missouri Athletic Association Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Western Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

July 8, 9, 10—The Interstate Association's Tenth Pacific Coast Handicap Tournament, San Diego, Cal., under the auspices of the Pastime Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Pacific Coast Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

August 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chicago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy, and the winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

April 26, 27—Oregon State Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Ore.

April 28—"T. B." Trap and Gun Club, Lieut. Stephen W. Wallace, Secretary, Las Animas, Colo.

May 5—Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n Tournament, A. R. Bain, Secretary, Springville, Utah.

May 14—Pueblo Gun Club, F. S. Rainey, President, Pueblo, Colo.

May 18, 19—Washington State Tournament, under the auspices of the Seattle Trap Shooters Ass'n, Hugh Fleming, Secretary, Seattle Wash.

May 26, 27—Delta County Gun Club, Nick Powell and R. A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

May 29, 30—Utah State Tournament, under the auspices of the Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n, A. R. Bain, Secretary, Salt Lake City.

May 29, 30, 31—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary, San Jose.

June 3, 4, 5—Annual Tournament of Rocky Mountain Interstate Sportsmen's Association, under auspices of Mile High Gun Club, Wm. M. Bowman, Secretary, Denver, Colo.

June 7, 8, 9—Sportsmen's Ass'n of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Ore.

July 1, 2—Vancouver Gun Club, C. A. Porter, Secretary, Vancouver, Can.

July 5—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President, Eureka, Cal.

July 5—Sunrise Gun Club, H. S. Hill, Secretary, Sunrise, Wyo.

July 5—Holbrook Gun Club, J. S. Hulet, Secretary, Holbrook, Ariz.

July 9, 10—Gem City Gun Club, Max Weick, Secretary, Laramie, Wyo.

July 10—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, W. S. Short, Secretary, Chehalis, Wash.

July 12—Rawlins Rod and Gun Club, H. Breitenstein, Secretary, Rawlins, Wyo.

July 12, 13, 14—Los Angeles Gun Club, Fred H. Teeple, Secretary, Venice, Cal.

July 19, 20, 21, 22—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary, Tacoma, Wash.

August 10—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Sec'retary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

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November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

TRADE NOTES.

Rem-UMC Notes.

Mrs. Carl J. Schilling, one of the best known shooters in this country, has been doing some remarkable shooting. At Newman, Cal., on April 10 and 11, shooting a Remington pump gun and Arrow shells, she scored 345x400. The next day at Modesto, Cal., she again made an excellent score of 176x200, using the same shooting combination.

The three high guns at the shoot of the Spokane (Wash.) Gun Club, April 11, all used Nitro Club shells. Al Sullivan, the winner, scored 90x100 shooting a Remington pump gun. Bert Brown and E. Tiffney tied for second place with scores of 89x100.

S. A. Huntley, of Omaha, Neb., won the two day shoot of the Exeter (Neb.) Gun Club, April 14-15. On the first day he beat a field of 35 shooters with a score of 96x100, while the second day saw him leading an even larger field with 145x150. He shot Nitro Club shells in all the events. The last day he also won the 25 target Sliding Handicap race, scoring 25x25, and finishing from 22 yards.

Peters Points.

At the tournament at Pomeroy, Wash., April 18, Lee Matlock and Jim Spence tied for the gold watch trophy 91 ex 100, Matlock won in the shoot-off. W. J. Houser and Jones, shooting Peters shells, tied for second place, 90 ex 100. Houser, won, shooting Peters. Jim Spence made the long run of the shoot, using Peters. Gus Peret, the professional, was high over all, with no handicap, breaking 92 ex 100. Each of the gentlemen mentioned above used Peters Loads, the kind with "steel where steel belongs."

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The above advice is contained in a new professional paper, Bulletin No. 203, of the United States Department of Agriculture, entitled "Field Studies of the Crown-Gall of Sugar Beets." This disease has increased rapidly in recent years and is still on the increase. In many localities where only a small number of cases were observed a few years ago there are now thousands of beets affected with the disease every year, especially if a beet crop has been followed by a beet crop for several years in the same field. The disease has been observed in practically all beet-growing States, from Michigan and Ohio to Montana, Idaho, Utah and Colorado.

Beets have "tumors" and "tuberculosis.

The disease assumes two kinds of forms which scientists have termed "tumors" and "tuberculosis." A protuberance like a wart appears at any point from the top of the beet to the extreme tip of the root, but generally only near the surface of the ground. Observers in former years looked upon the warts or galls as curiosities. Later when the destructive effects of these growths were learned, measures were at once sought for their prevention.

Both kinds of the disease usually manifest themselves at first with a smooth exterior but if the beet has "tuberculosis" the protuberances finally become very rough, cracked and dark, decay sets in and the beet itself rots. The tumor variety of gall remains quite smooth and does not usually decay; however, it lowers the quality of the roots. The growths do not usually appear on the beet until it is one-quarter to one-half grown; that is, until mid-summer. From that time on they may appear at any time until the beet is harvested.

Mechanical injuries to plants offer favorable seats for the infection, and are usually more numerous near the ends of the rows where they are produced by the horse and cultivator in turning. As far as the size of the beet is concerned the galls do not seem to have any marked effect upon it, consequently the tonnage or yield per acre does not seem to be particularly affected by the disease in case it is the tumor type of disease. If the beet roots have decayed as a result of the tuberculosis infection the tonnage will of course be less.

The principal objection to both diseases is that they reduce the sugar content and the purity of the roots. The protuberances themselves are low in purity and therefore detrimental in the milling processes.

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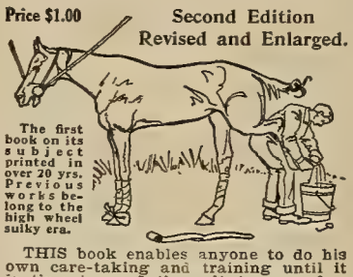
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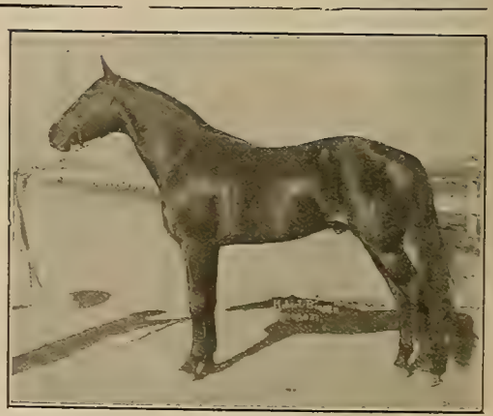
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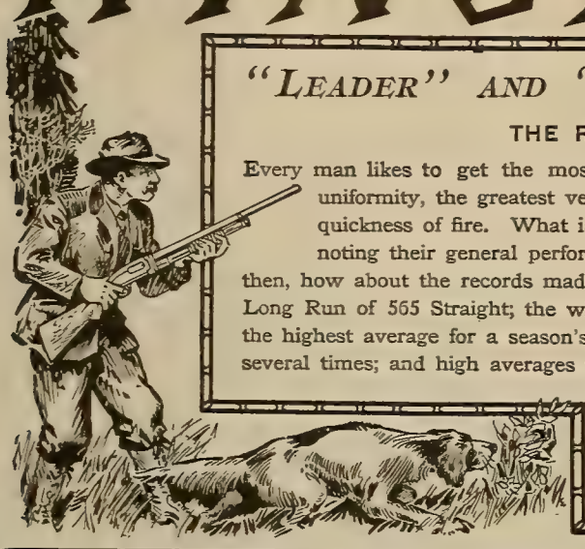
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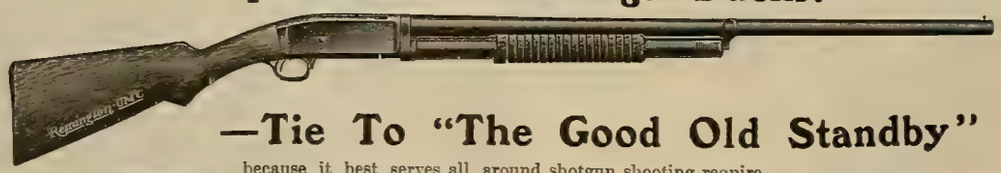
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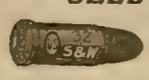
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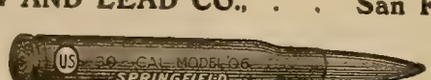
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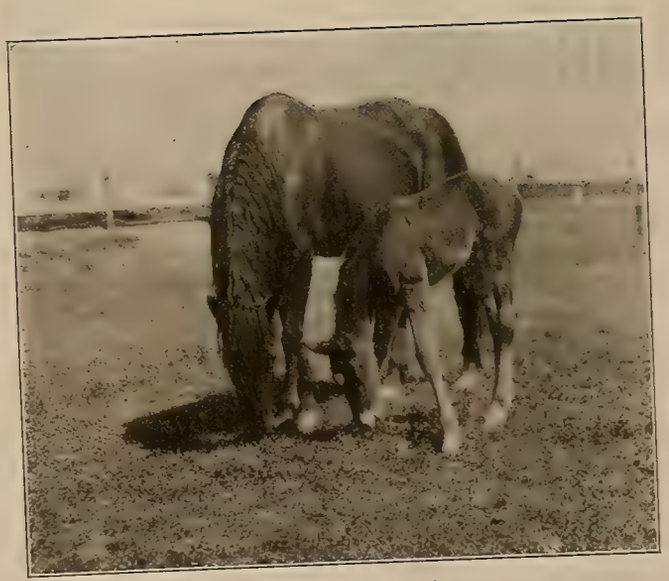






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JOHN W. VOGELSANG.

John W. Vogelsang, well and widely known among light harness turfmen on the eastern side of the Rockies, died at the Central Hospital in Oakland last Friday morning. He returned to his family in that city from St. Louis on February 12 in a serious condition from heart trouble and though the medical men pronounced his case hopeless, from the start, he fought off the grim reaper for several weeks after they had given him up.

Born in Hanover, Ohio, in 1850, of stout German stock that had settled there in the eighteenth century, Mr. Vogelsang was a keen and devoted lover of the American trotter from his youth up. His early life was passed in the troubles and turmoil of the civil war, but as he came to manhood he had a keen eye for gait and from that was enabled to secure more than one prize among the stock bred in his own section. As his business affairs prospered he acquired later on several good campaigners that were prominent in the circuits of the middle states. He was also able to pick a competent trainer for his select stable in the late A. N. Smeall, a veterinary surgeon of Lima, Ohio, who handled for him such consistent race winners as Plush, Orphan Boy, Little Ida and the pacing mare Toledo Girl. About the year 1888 he sold Plush to A. H. Moore of Philadelphia for a good long price and she went into the hands of the master reinsman James H. Goldsmith, who took her through the Grand Circuit.

After that Mr. Vogelsang took up turf journalism and represented at different times the American Horse Breeder of Boston and the Horse Review of Chicago, visiting most of the important meetings in his section and as far south as Lexington, in their interests. He did good service for the New York Trotting Association during 1901 and 1902 when brilliant programmes were conducted at Brighton Beach track on Long Island. Then he gave his attention to the manufacture of wood fibre plaster and wall board of that material, forming a connection with the Pittsburgh Plate Glass Company which kept him in St. Louis for several years.

He came to California in 1911 and through his energy a company was organized and a model factory was equipped at Emeryville with machinery of improved type that he had patented. Even this did not entirely wean him from his love for a good trotter and he had the handsome gelding Champ C. while in St. Louis, using him on the road there for several years.

Though perhaps not so well known to the horsemen of the Pacific slope, Mr. Vogelsang had a host of friends in the middle and eastern states who will join with the Breeder and Sportsman in extending sympathy to his wife, and son, Earl C. Vogelsang, whose loving care made his last hours as comfortable as human hands could do. By his own request his body was cremated and services were held last Monday at the columbarium in Mountain View Cemetery, Oakland, where his ashes will be kept in the land of his adoption, that he learned to love so well.

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Gerhardt Wempe of this city has his favorite mare Plumada by Advertiser, dam Plotina by Dexter Prince, at San Jose to be bred to Peter McKlyo (3) 2:12½. Mr. Wempe's other matron, Belle Alwin by Lord Alwin—Belle W. is at Pleasanton and has been bred to Zomblack (3) 2:26.

The brand of weather lately handed out to the Pacific coast is something we could have gotten along without, but——

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Any seasoned sport will admit that a long and uninterrupted run of good luck is neither healthy nor natural, however, so we will be all the better a bit later.

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Our "esteemed contemptuary," the Horse Review, in its benighted ignorance of truly decent climatic conditions, is liable to draw a few comparisons in support of its theory that the northwestern hamlets of the grand old state of Illinois are situated in a "climatic paradise" of such mellifluence as to "arouse the envy of California!"

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Yes, Genevieve, that's just what we think, too—"The nerve of some people's children!"

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Can you imagine Chicago folks traveling south for seventy minutes on May Day and seeing M. & M. candidates trot halves in 1:03, and three-year-old trotters reel off miles in 2:20½, 1:08, :32¾, :15¾?

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Or, maybe, go east for a couple of hours' ride and see free-for-all pacers step two lap tracks in 1:01¼?

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Or 2:20 pacers go halves in 1:03 over the same dirt?

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Or 2:20 trotters go the short route in 1:05?

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Or folks sitting around on the lap of good old Mother Earth, with long, green grass for cushions, eating picnic dinners of fried chicken and all those things?

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Splash! The Review outfit has "done fell in the lake!"

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Speaking of speed, however, we overlooked a bet. Clara Mac worked the Woodland track last week in 2:09, with the last half in 1:00½ and the quarter in :29!

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While Robert Bingen worked in 2:12½ and Lottie Ansel went the route in 2:13, with the half in four and the quarter in thirty-one seconds.

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If horses like these could only have been wintered in that "climatic paradise" place they might really have been up to something by now!

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You bet they might—a mile in forty, maybe.

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Not changing the subject at all, Joe McGuire is the first of the harness horse delegation to occupy quarters at the exposition track.

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Al Schwartz ran him a close race, and probably there are a number of other trainers there by the time you read this. A little sunshine early in the week will bring a bunch of them.

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Just how fast that exposition track will be on June 19 is arousing quite a bit of discussion. One local horseman has laid seventy-five bucks that the 2:06 pacers beat 2:04 in at least one heat. How about the free-for-allers?

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Parties who have been bewailing the futility of The Hague as a peace maker are reminded that while there is life there is hope. Sure there is. The California and San Francisco Driving Clubs have even suspended hostilities and signed the treaty of peace!

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And as for miracles—the woods are full of 'em! If skeptical, ask one Adolph Ottinger to have a drink.

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By the way, did you notice that Lon Daniels "Durfeeized" the May Day program at Dixon? He did—won all three races.

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Ain't it a shame he didn't have a string for the relay race?

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Joe Ryan of Sonoma, who "likes horses because he likes 'em," has picked out this summer as his banner year for having a good time, and with Jim Sterling to help him is getting ready quite a string for both the amateur and professional events. Kate Dillon, by Sidney Dillon out of Katy Darling (dam of Emmeline Dillon 2:18¼) by John L. is entered in the 2:20 driving club trot at the exposition and is beating 2:20 in her work on a half mile track, with halves in six and better, and Joe's pacer for the same class, amateur, is the black horse Silver Voyage by Bon Voyage 2:08, out of the great brood mare The Silver Belle by Silver Bow. He is also working a number of other horses, including Le Donna, pacer, by Nushagak; the filly Lady Stillwell by Stillwell, dam by Nutwood, and the trotter Titanic by Tom Smith 2:13¼, out of Lilly Dale. A few weeks ago he broke for O. J. Maffei of Sonoma the filly Bondsmaid, by The Bondsman, and she is acting so much like a real trotter and coming so steadily that she may be a starter in some of the late events. Sonoma has a good half mile track and could accommodate more horses and horsemen nicely.

King Daphne 2:04½, Sidney Goldman's former favorite, purchased last fall by Billy Moore of Marion, Ohio, is now at Columbus in the hands of Trainer Dan Lake

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The success attending the May Day races at Dixon makes a rosy outlook for the Alameda butchers' day at Pleasanton on July fifth, when over five times as much money will be hung up for the trotters and pacers.

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W. F. Whittier of the Hemet Stock Farm is spending several days at his "retreat" on the McCloud river, where he recuperates from the strain and worry of business affairs by getting right close to nature and putting in a good deal of his time whipping the waters of the neighboring streams for trout.

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For the feature event of the initial program of the San Francisco-California Driving Club there will be a match race between George Woodward 2:07½, driven by S. H. Cowell of the Sacramento club, and Dick W. 2:06¼, driven by A. Ottinger of the local organization. They are both beating 2:10 in their work at present.

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The popularity achieved by the gaited saddle horse futurities has prompted the California State Agricultural Society to announce event number two of their series, the total sums distributed under its conditions reaching the tidy figure of five thousand dollars. The awards are for both three- and five-gaited horses from weanlings to three-year-olds inclusive, full particulars being published elsewhere in this issue.

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Every breeder of trotters should write the Horseman, Chicago, for full particulars as to the $20,000 futurity which closes June first. Entrance fee and pre-starting payments are most liberal and there are some two score ways of earning money in the stake. Under one novel provision for trotting colts on half mile tracks, it is possible for coast horsemen to win money without leaving the state, and again we suggest that you will find it worth while to investigate the conditions fully and make entrance.

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Adolph Ottinger, foremost among San Francisco's fun drivers and patrons of the trotting horse, is spending a few days in Portland. Very appropriately, "Ot" made the trip "on the water wagon," and that expression goes both ways from the jack. The Rose City is one water wagon, and "Ot" has been "riding the sprinkler" figuratively for three weeks or more and doing a good job at it. Nobody knows what caused his defection from the Highball Circuit, but the general supposition is that he simply got mid-April tangled up some way with New Year.

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In some incomprehensible manner the report was circulated in some quarters that there had been sickness and even death among the horses recently quartered in the stables of the livestock department at the P.-P. I. E., rumors that were doubly injurious because without foundation whatsoever. The editor of this paper had occasion to pay frequent visits to the livestock department during the stay of the polo contingent, and never failed to make inquiries covering this particular point. In no instance was there any variation in the answer—the health of the ponies was most satisfactory, and owners, trainers and caretakers had a good word ready for the convenience, comfort and sanitary condition of their quarters. Few stock farms or permanently established racing plants can boast of stabling facilities the equal of those at the exposition, and just why or how rumors like the above should be circulated, and especially believed, is hard to understand. Do not be alarmed by such canards, nor postpone coming to the P.-P. I. E. track on that account. Everything there is ready and right.

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MEETING AT WOODLAND NEXT SATURDAY.

The first regular meeting of the season on the coast is announced for next Saturday, May 15, to be held at the track at Woodland Stock Farm under the management of Harry Dowling. The farm has a number of youngsters they wish to mark before the campaigning stable leaves for the exposition, and a number of the home trainers will also take advantage of the occasion to provide their juvenile trotters and pacers with the credentials necessary for their debut in the select company represented in the Year Book, the day's activities being scheduled to begin at ten o'clock in the morning.

The principal drawing card of the occasion will be a free-for-all pace, and while the entries have not reached us we can at least risk a pretty fair guess on the field—Clara Mac 2:04½, Jim Logan 2:01¾, Dan Logan 2:07¼, Teddy Bear 2:05, Vera Hal 2:05 and possibly Donald and Potrero Boy. The other events have not yet been announced, but with the members of the training stables of Woodland Stock Farm, Charley Silva, Elmo and Carey Montgomery, Will Ivey and Hi Hogoboom all right on deck in racing trim there are plenty of horses on hand to provide a most entertaining day's sport. It will be an excellent opportunity to get a line on some of the candidates for the big money at the exposition, as well as on quite a bit of futurity timber, and lovers of the game will find the trip to the Yolo county capital well worth while. The track has been in fine shape all season, the horses are all well along in their work, and there will no doubt be some pretty merry heats at both gaits.

Prune Belt Speed Merchants

Four times this winter has your humble servant put a camera in his pocket and journeyed down the Peninsula to snare a few pictures of the horses in training at San Jose Driving Park, and four times has he returned to San Francisco with all his "cartridges" unfired, for the weather man simply will not stand for it, apparently. Once it rained so hard that I never left the station; the next time there was a tule fog that would have done credit to that dear old London; then again it was just ordinarily cloudy and unpleasant, and last Friday and Saturday—I'll tell you about them. Friday morning, hovering in the shelter of Johnny Quinn's doorway I spied a glittering expanse of white high on the mountains some twenty miles away around the Lick Observatory and demanded to know "whattell" it was, when up spoke L. B. Taylor—who was a bit further under shelter than I was. Said that worthy: "I haven't seen any here for so blamed long that I am not sure what they call it, but back in York state where I spent the winter it would be s-n-o-u-g-h, snow!"

Friday was a day for jogging, slow work, and indoor racing of the gabble-gabble circuit and not much speed was made save over the tracks of the latter organization, but Saturday, while no day for a camera man, was very pleasant again and the postponed week end workouts were duly pulled off in comfort.

John Quinn, as was naturally to be expected, has about as much speed on tap as anyone in California with the trotters that Mr. Borden is staking down the big line—Albaloma 2:08¼ and Baby Doll 2:10¼, both of whom are in the very best of condition. Albaloma is a remarkable individual for a horse that has raced regularly since his three-year-old form, and is going to be a tough nut for some folks to crack before he is laid away in winter quarters again. On Wednesday he went the route in 2:13½, and Saturday morning stepped the final half of a mile in 2:15 in 1:03, :31¾, while the Tom Smith mare, who had a workout in 2:16 earlier in the week, turned the trick in 2:17¾, 1:03¾, :31¾. She is a high class trotter and her legs are standing the fast work wonderfully well. Helen Mac, the sister to Clara Mac 2:04½, is still working on the trot and doing very nicely at that gait, with a mile in 2:28 so far, the half in 1:12 and the quarter in :35. She is a much more pleasing individual than her fast sister, and has shown no inclination to do anything but trot since her trainer switched her over. The other Expressive Mac trotting mare out of Miss Idaho 2:09¼ by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ is working just "outside the list," with a mile in 2:30½ and quarters in :35.

John's favorite among the green trotters is the lad purchased last fall from C. D. King, the bay stallion Major's By Guy 2:19¼ (breeder's record) by Major Dillon 2:18½, dam By Guy (dam of F. S. Whitney 2:09¾, etc.) by Guy Wilkes. He is a nice mannered, good gaited fellow, and has made speed steadily this year, having worked in 2:16, 1:06, :31½—fast enough to be pretty fair evidence of his quality.

Sir Guy Dillon, the brother to Guy Borden 2:07¼, had a Hoosier trick played on him Friday morning, when John and Matt Zahner added pajamas to his previously not extensive wardrobe, and the latter gentleman threw a few slow miles into him to see how he liked 'em. He registered no objections and proceeded to cut out the singlefoot that has previously been his failing. He has worked in 2:25 free legged, with quarters in :33, and if he speeds up in the new rigging as nicely as he worked Friday he ought to make considerable speed before fall, as he is a rugged fellow with plenty of punch and whizz. Loch Lomond 2:09¾, the Zolock—Daisy McKinney pacer, has been up about thirty days and is coming to his speed readily, with a recent mile in 2:32 and a quarter in :34. He, too, has had his underpinning adorned with the fore-and-aft rigging and is improving right along. A three-year-old Guy McKinney gelding, taken up at the same time, worked Saturday in 2:45, and the stable's main dependence for the three-year-old pacing events, Sheldon B., has gone the route recently in 2:24, 1:08, :33. He is entered in the Panama-Pacific June stakes as well as the usual coast classics and is by Barney Barnato 2:19½, sire of Mr. Borden's good three-year-old pacer of 1914, Alto Barnato (3) 2:12¼. John is going easy with the balance of his youngsters, and they have all made a good growth and a bit of speed during the winter.

Ben Walker has made two additions to his stable since my last visit, the pacing mare Elinora S. by Searchlight and the bay trotting lass Dione II by Cupid 2:18, out of Dione 2:07¼ (dam of Bernice R. 2:07¼) by Eros 2:29½. This girl has all the speed that her breeding would indicate and she also has all the sizzle and spunk that characterized other members of the family, the latter inclinations having acted as a drawback in her previous history. Being especially fond of her, Mr. Cowell took her to the ranch at Santa Cruz and used her for some months to saddle before sending her to Ben to train, the girl responding very nicely to this course of treatment. As she is well hardened from her winter at the ranch and has two-minute speed on tap at any time, Ben has put in most of his time educating her on the stretch, scoring in company, teaching her manners and endeavoring to cure her of "speed craziness." He is progressing famously with her and can rate her nicely. Let her continue to come along as she is at present and she will be dangerous in any ordinary company—and perhaps some of the extraordinary kind. Kinneysham has gotten along to a mile in 2:16¼, and the younger pacer, Mountain D. by Charley D. 2:06¼, out of Mountain Maiden (the dam of Tom Carneal 2:08½, etc.) by Cresco, has made a number of circuits in 2:15, with quarters close to a two-minute clip. He is making a fine big fellow and Ben has worked a number of great improvements both in his physical condition and his behavior in and out of the barn. Ben's string is entered at the June meeting and he sends out warning that he will be "there or thereabouts" in at least some of his starts.

It looks good to see T. W. Barstow back in the sulky in the old familiar place, he having moved to the track only a short time ago with three head of very promising prospects. Evergreen Maid by Nearest McKinney 2:13¼, dam by Monterey 2:09¼, grandam Leapyear 2:26¾ (dam of Yosemite 2:19¼) by Tempest 1881, turned the San Jose track to cart in 2:29½ the first time she ever saw it, and is making speed regularly now, while the free legged pacer All McKinney by Nearest McKinney, dam Mrs. Weller by McKinney 2:11¼, grandam Much Better 2:07¼ by Charles Derby 2:20, worked last year in 2:11¼. Mr. Barstow's especial pride, however, is the seven-year-old trotter The Demon by Nearest McKinney, out of Aunt Joe by Iran Alto, grandam Rose McKinney 2:29 (dam of Almaden D. 2:16¼, sire of Dean Swift 2:08, Albaloma 2:08¼, etc.) by McKinney. This lad has a two-year-old record of 2:29¾ and was offered for sale by his owner during the past winter very reasonably. Since taking him up this spring Mr. Barstow has taken a few samples that have raised the price considerably, as he has brushed eighths in fifteen seconds and is training in the nicest kind of way.

Lou Taylor,who "came home" from Pleasanton some weeks ago, is taking things easy with his stable as he has no early engagements for any of them. The big Copa de Oro mare that came to Lou some weeks ago carried a lot of fat that has been slow in coming off and as a consequence she has made speed in a similar manner, a mile in 2:36 being her best effort to date. Lou's trotting filly Luana by Kinney Lou 2:07¾ has had a mile in 2:20¼, with quarters in :34, and the four-year-old pacer Honey Boy, by Kinney Lou and out of the great old matron Carrie B. 2:18 (dam of Lovelock 2:05½, Ray O' Light (3) 2:08½, etc.) by Alexander Button, worked nicely Saturday in 2:19½, 1:07¾, :32¾. He is a nice going, sound, good mannered youngster and promises to make the third 2:10 performer for his dam.

E. R. Dunn's Cochato youngsters continue in high favor with the San Jose railbirds, the filly being especially well regarded. I don't fancy Ed's name for her, Virginia Humbug, but I do like her way of going and have a good deal of respect for her pedigree—dam by Baron Wilkes, grandam by Dexter Prince, a maternal line that nicks well with the Bingen blood. She is a great young trotter and has worked recently in 2:35, with quarters in thirty-six seconds. The pacer, The Puzzler, was castrated some weeks ago and has rounded to very nicely and improved in manners and general behavior. He has not been steamed up much since his alteration, but is beginning to make a bit of speed now and has gone the route a bit better than three minutes.

Happy Dentist 2:05¾ is back again in his old happy home at San Jose, Jimmie Ryan having brought the matinee king pin down from Pleasanton some two or three weeks ago to join his other matinee pacer, Rosie O., in Jack Villar's stable. Happy is taking things easy as all he requires is a bit of legging ug, and the Rosie O. filly, pacing free legged as is befitting a future matinee queen, has shown Jack a mile this spring in 2:26, with a number of quarters at a two-ten gait. She is quite a girl, and if she matures as she shows promise of doing, Ryan will have several handshakes with himself in the future. Princess B., that repeated for Jack last season in 2:15, has gotten along to a mile in 2:19, and F. M. Price's pacer, Kinmont by Kinney G. 2:24½—Fairmont by Monterey, won a bet for his trainer the other day by working in 2:16. The lad was castrated just before my visit and was doing very nicely in spite of the uncertain weather. About two weeks ago Jack received for developing a couple of prospects owned by Ed Darling of Santa Cruz, one a trotting filly by Kinney de Lopez that worked a quarter last year in :33, and the other a nice four-year-old lass by W. T. Sesnon's good trotter, San Felipe 2:09¼, out of a mare by Diamond Mac 2:15¼. He also expected to receive early this week a Star Pointer pacer with a reputed former trial of 2:12, so he has a pretty good stable for the season. Lady Arabella, his Alta Vela—Ida Bell trotting mare, is working as fine as a fiddle, Wednesday's workout being 2:17, 2:16 and 2:15. She is eligible to the green classes and ought to make some one a good mare to race and matinee. In addition to his training duties Jack is also superintending the working of the track, with the result that the local colony of horses and horsemen have never enjoyed better footing than at present.

W. L. Humfreville has been on the shelf with rheumatism for a good portion of the last several weeks with the result that his horses with the exception of one green pacer, have had only light exercise of late. Some time ago he turned over to William Cecil the chestnut mare Lady Steinway by Bonnie Steinway 2:06¼, dam Old Nell by Jim Mulvenna 2:27¾, and though she was broken only in December or January she has come to her speed fast and is well regarded by Mr. Cecil, a mile Saturday in 2:29 being about her best showing to this time. The Prince McKinney—Lady San Jose three-year-old filly in Cecil's stable, owned by S. Sagadria, is only just broken but has been a quarter in forty seconds. The Angevine youngsters had a bit of cough along with several others for a short time but are working nicely and their trainer looks forward to making someone do some hustling to beat them when the futurities are trotted in November. Loma Logan, the three-year-old by Prince McKinney, has made the circuit in 2:37 with quarters in :36, but Cecil is inclined to be a bit partial to the two-year-old by Nearest McKinney, called Jake Logan. Cecil developed John A. McKerron at the Carter establishment and drove him to his three-year-old record of 2:12½ at Louisville in 1898 in the race with Cuprum and Charley Herr which stood as the fastest four heat event for three-year-old trotters to that time, and states confidently that Jake is a better trot-horse than John, at the same age. He has not asked much of him to date, as his engagements are all late ones, but the sturdy lad has trotted quarters handily in :38. Jack Tolliver, the shoer, still has D. D. Hanks' three-year-old by The Bondsman, Bon McKenna, and has moved him along for a mile in 2:38, with a quarter in thirty-seven seconds. He, too, had a touch of distemper but came out of it nicely.

J. M. McKiernan is quartered at the driving park with a pair of likely pacers, one of them the horse raced a year or so ago by Joe Twohig, Welcome Jr. 2:12½ by Welcome 2:10¼, dam by Adnon. The other lad is the green gelding Casey Jones by a son of Welcome, entered in two of the pacing classes for amateur drivers at the June meeting at the exposition and looking pretty formidable at this time. He is a rangy, free going fellow with a world of whizz, and paced a quarter last year over the San Jose track just slower than twenty-eight seconds, which is "pretty worse" for a starter. He looks hard as nails and Mac will let somebody hear from him before the season is over.

The horses from Hemet Stock Farm make quite an addition to the San Jose colony and are quartered just inside the grounds. Owing to the inclemency of the weather since their arrival not many of them have been asked to step very fast as yet, though all can show a pretty good lick. Mr. Doble has been a bit under the weather of late owing to a cold, and as both Wilbur Lou and Kinney de Lopez are his especial charges they have had only a few miles around 2:22. With the balance of the stable, however, Trainer A. L. Blackwell is going right ahead and making a bit of speed. Hemet, the farm's entry in the big pace and a number of class events, has turned the San Jose track in 2:15, 1:03½, :30½, :14¾ and is husky and hearty as can be. The short turn at the exposition track is not liable to bother him to any extent, as he has had all his training over the two-lap track at Hemet, where he has on various occasions paced quarters at a two-minute clip.

Five youngsters, all liberally staked in the customary coast classics and some of them named in the Panama-Pacific stakes and the eastern futurities, were brought up along with the farm's candidates for the big money at the fair, all of them by Mr. Doble's old campaigner Kinney Lou 2:07¾. They are a nice turned, good gaited lot with both speed and manners, all of them working at present in 2:25 or faster, which is a nice showing for a bunch of three-year-olds at this season. Oro Lou, out of Zeta W. by Nutwood Wilkes, entered in the three-year-old pace at the exposition, is moving along in 2:19, 1:07½, :16, and Sterling Lou, out of Louise Reed by Sterling McKinney 2:06¼, also entered at the big fair, is trotting in 2:25, with halves in 1:08½. Dextro Lou, trotter, out of Nealy W. 2:27½ by Geo. W. McKinney 2:14½, and Martin Lowe, pacer, out of Lena Lowe 2:25½ by George W. McKinney, are both turning halves in 1:09 with miles around 2:24 and doing it very nicely. My favorite of the "younguns," however, is Allie Lou (2) 2:25, out of Lady Zombro 2:24¼ by Zombro 2:11, the matron that has produced to date the pacers Hemet 2:08¼ and Frank H. Holloway (3) 2:24¼ and the trotters Miss Gailey 2:11½ and Allie Lou. Miss Gailey was both fast and game as a three-year-old but very uncertain in her behavior, while her half-sister, at the same age, seems possessed of her good traits and unhampered by her bad ones, as she acted like a perfect little lady all the time that I saw her on the track. She is entered in the five thousand dollar trot for her age at the P.-P. I. E. and is getting up quite a head of steam in anticipation of the event, working last week in 2:20½, 1:08, :32¾, :15¾, which is about as much

whizz as any of the entrants have developed that I know of.

Colonel Jim Thompson, who came down to San Jose from his accustomed haunts in the Sacramento Valley some weeks ago with quite a stable, is one of the original busy men of the local colony, as in addition to giving kindergarten lessons to a number of youngsters and preparing a few older ones for late racing he has the book of L. H. Todhunter's young son of Peter the Great, Peter McKlyo (3) 2:12½, to look after. Much to Jim's gratification this lad is getting a fair share of the mares that are being bred this season, and the nice feature is that they are mares of a high degree of excellence, owned by gentlemen who want horses to race and will give their colts every chance to show their worth. I had not seen Peter since shortly after he landed at the Todhunter ranch as a yearling, and he is maturing into a fine type of the standard bred horse and apparently knows nothing but trot—something that he proved he could do in a very convincing way at the last state fair. He is taking his work nicely and Jim figures him as a 2:06 trotter this fall. Among the other members of the stable raced in former years I noticed Sweet Adena 2:26¾, matinee record 2:16, by Zombro 2:11, out of the double producer Norta K. by Del Norte 2:08; Guacho by Nobage 48390 (a son of Bon Voyage 2:08 and Loma B., the dam of Albaloma 2:08¼), out of Zombelle by Zombro 2:11, and the bay mare Sweet Bow (2) 2:17½ by Bon Voyage and out of the dam of Hymettus 2:07¼, etc. All three are trotters, and the last named one a futurity winner of high quality; she has been in the breeding ranks of the Todhunter establishment of late years, but is yet a young mare, eight years of age, and acts like she would develop a good deal of speed as a "comeback." None of the stable has been moved up to any extent, owing to general conditions and the fact that they are not in the early stakes.

When it comes to futurity timber for this fall's events, Thompson is "there with both feet," as he has three three-year-old fillies by the sire of futurity winners, The Bondsman, as follows: Honeyback, out of Lottie Lynwood, the full sister to Sonoma Girl 2:04¼; Ruby Bond, out of Dowina by Bon Voyage 2:08, and Janet Bondsman, out of the futurity winner Sweet Bow. All of them can show trot and they are certainly bred right to make "that kind." Another candidate for this year's stakes, of the two-year-old division, is the brown colt Natal Day, owned by S. Christenson, that worked Saturday at the trot in 2:37 with the last quarter in thirty-seven seconds. This lad is by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼ and out of that double producer of 2:10 speed at the trot, Ella J. by Bob Mason 2:27¼.

Jim's genuine, double barreled, copper riveted, dyed in the wool trotters, however, from all present indications, are the youngsters he bred in Kentucky and brought out last fall, now yearlings. Two of them, the fillies, one by The Northern Man 2:06½ (sire of Richman (2) 2:09¾, who ousted John Malcolm (2) 2:11½ from the pacing championship for two-year-old geldings) out of Lilly Young by McKinney 2:11¼, and the other by Tregantle 2:09¼ (sire of Brace Girdle 2:04¾ and three others in 2:10) out of Queen by Dictator Wilkes, have been broken and turned out on pasture for a while in the infield. Both are nice made lassies and could show a lot of natural lick, but their performances were all overshadowed Saturday when Jim hooked Bon Watts for the fourth time and brought him alongside of Sweet Adena for a little brush. The little rascal can run away trotting right off the reel. He ought to trot if breeding counts, as he is by General Watts (3) 2:06¾, sire of three three-year-old trotters in 2:10, out of Pesteria by Bon Voyage 2:08, second dam Perza (dam of two) by Allie Wilkes 2:15, third dam Anglia (dam of four) by George Wilkes 2:22, fourth dam Kitty Patchen (dam of two, including the great sire Patchen Wilkes) by Mambrino Patchen 58, fifth dam Betty Brown (dam of three, including that other good sire, Wilkes Boy) by Mambrino Patchen 58, sixth dam Pickles by Mambrino Chief 11. It would make a nice tabulation, putting in all performers, but I don't hanker for the job at the prevailing market price.—[N.]

FIVE EVENTS IN RIVERSIDE MATINEE.

A number of interested horsemen of Riverside and San Bernardino counties saw James McGuire drive San Jacinto past Petty McKinney and win the free-for-all pace after Petty McKinney had the event almost won at a recent matinee at Riverside. The results of the races follow:

2:35 mixed—First, Fritz the Dutch, owned and driven by Charles June; second, Black Bess, Donahue, driver; third, Joe Brazil, Baker driver; time, 2:33.

2:20 mixed—First, Dee Sherrill, owned and driven by Charles June; second, Maddie, owned and driven by Judd; time, 2:21.

Free-for-all pace—First, San Jacinto, owned by Dr. Arnold, driven by J. McGuire; second, Petty McKinney, owned by G. D. Armstead, driven by O. E. Folk; time, 2:16.

2:20 pace—First, Caroline Custer, owned and driven by Judd; second, Arlie L., owned by C. Dobro, driven by George Nugent; third, Jane Lou, owned and driven by Gatch; time, 2:22½.

2:30 trot—First, Ben Nutwood, owned and driven by Gowell; Lena W., owned by W. P. Walker, driven by Baker, and Sleepy Jim, owned and driven by A. E. Heller, tied for second; time, 2:21.—Exchange.

Those Free-For-All Pacers

Five weeks from today the greatest field of pacers that ever met this side of the Rockies will face Starter O. P. Updegraff in the free-for-all at the exposition track. Among them are some of the very best campaigners in the land, wintered in California and keyed up to the highest condition for this event. There are thirteen entries and every horse entered was named because the owner believed he had a chance to win. How fast will they go, and can you pick the winner? Here are a few points concerning each one's previous racing history:

CLARA MAC 2:04½, brown mare, foaled 1908, by Expressive Mac 2:25½, dam Clara by Howard St. Clair 2:18, grandam Nelly Bly by Apex 2:26; bred by Fred Gibson, Armona, Cal. Clara Mac was raced in 1914 over California tracks by W. W. Gallup of Hardwick, Cal., and later by Woodland Stock Farm. Out of eight starts was seven times first, once third. Her fastest race was at Sacramento on September 19 in the 2:20 pace, when she defeated White Sox, Oro Mo, Pegasus, Zoetrix, Fire Cracker and Colleen, winning the first and third heats in 2:05¾, 2:04½, White Sox taking the second in 2:06¼. Was "made" on a half mile track. Entered by Woodland Stock Farm; trained at Woodland by Harry Dowling.

COLLEGE GENT 2:06½, black horse, foaled 1908, by Kentucky Patterson 32074, dam Belle H. by Senator Crisp 42650, grandam Nanna by Compromise; bred by F. S. Heard, Haines, Oregon. Raced over northwestern tracks since a three-year-old and has never been outside the money in any event. Won eleven races out of eleven starts in 1913 and in 1914 was six times first, once second and five times third out of twelve starts. Fastest race was last fall at North Yakima where he finished 2-1-2 in 2:05, 2:06½, 2:06¼, Ovieda winning the first and Hal Boy the last heat. Has raced a great deal on the twice arounds. Entered by Joseph Carson, Winnipeg; trained at Pleasanton by Barney Barnes.

DAN LOGAN 2:07¼, bay horse, foaled 1905, by Charles Derby 2:20, dam Effie Logan (dam of 3 in 2:10) by Durfee 11256, grandam Ripple by Prompter 2305; bred by E. A. McInerney, Davis, Cal. Raced over northwestern circuits in 1914 by L. B. Daniels with only moderate success, largely due to change of climate. He is believed by many to be as fast a horse as Jim Logan 2:01¾, and at Woodland, 1913, he was a "slap-up" third to Jim Logan and Don Pronto in 2:02¾, 2:04¼. Entered by Warren Pugh, Davis, Cal.; trained at Woodland by Carey Montgomery.

DR. BURNS, JR. 2:04¼, bay horse, foaled 1905, by Dr. Burns, son of Arsaces 6506, dam Topsey by Jesse Pennington, grandam Mary Ann by J. C. Patchen; bred by A. Robley & Son, Eldred, Ill. Hailed by many horsemen as the bear cat of the exposition meeting. Has been raced four seasons, paced half mile track in 2:10 in his second race. Has been a consistent winner to last season, when he was seven times second in seven starts, three times on the twice arounds to Flower Direct 2:01 and Billy M. 2:03¾. At Cleveland he was 2-5 to William in 2:02, 2:02¾; at Detroit, 4-2-2 to the same horse in 2:04¾, 2:05, 2:05¼; at Grand Rapids tried him another whirl and finished 2-4-2 in 2:00½, 2:00, 2:02½; at Kalamazoo forced Walter Cochato to pace in 2:06¼, 2:04¼, 2:02¼ and was then carried over for the big stakes here at the exposition. Entered by Ireland & Leach, Chicago; trained at Los Angeles by Al Whitney.

HOMER MAC 2:06¾, bay horse, foaled 1908, by Petigru 2:10¼, dam Eagletta 2:11½ by Ketchum 2:16¼, grandam Lady Mac by McKinney 2:11¼; bred by C. E. Smith, Los Angeles. Began racing as a four-year-old, taking his record that season at Phoenix, defeating Zulu Belle and Loch Lomond in 2:07½, 2:06¾, 2:10. Raced almost entirely on Canadian half mile tracks. Last season paced in 2:10 at various times and on the ice in the winter was a good winner in record time. In all has raced in 39 events on dirt tracks—16 firsts, 11 seconds, but seven times unplaced. Entered by J. W. McClain, Los Angeles; trained at Los Angeles by James Stewart.

JIM LOGAN 2:01¾, bay horse, foaled 1906, full brother to Dan Logan, as above. Holder of coast record for pacing stallions; joint holder with Klatawah (3) 2:05½ of world's record as a three-year-old, taking record in third heat of winning race; raced every year since two-year-old except 1910; records (5) 2:05¼, (6) 2:03¼, (7) 2:02¾, (8) 2:01¾. Has figured in 21 races, 12 times first, 5 seconds, 1 third, 1 fourth, twice unplaced, on Grand Circuit, 1912; has won 17 heats in 2:06 or better, 5 below 2:04, and forced Don Pronto to pace in 2:02½, 2:02¾ at Sacramento, 1913; fastest performance last season at Woodland in 2:01¾, 2:04½, 2:03½, defeating Leata J. and Don Pronto. Entered by J. E. Montgomery, Davis; trained at Woodland by J. E. Montgomery.

JOE PATCHEN II 2:03¼, bay horse, foaled 1905, by Joe Patchen 2:01¼, dam Bessie Bonehill 2:05¾ by Empire Wilkes 2:29¼, grandam Arab Girl by Crittenden; bred by H. S. Osborne, Pittsfield, Mass. Is the leader of all pacers for amount won in single season, $28,000 in 1912, when he won 15 out of 16 races, being once second, and paced one exhibition mile at Los Angeles in 2:00¾ in an effort to beat 2:00¼. Made one start and one win in 1913. In 1914 was "off" and started once at Columbus, distanced in 2:02. In races has paced over 20 winning heats in 2:06 or better. Entered by R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton; trained at Pleasanton by C. L. DeRyder.

LEATA J. 2:03, bay mare, foaled 1908, by Royal McKinney 2:29¾, dam Geraldine 2:16¾ by Mt. Vernon 2:15¼, grandam Edith C. by Gen. McClellan 143; bred by J. N. Jones, Stockton, Cal. Raced on the Grand and Great Western Circuits by Frank Childs in 1913, being eight times first, four times second out of 13 starts, a good many of them against Frank Bogash Jr., taking record in third heat of a winning race with this lad at Kalamazoo, split heats, average time for the five heats being just below 2:05. Started in but two regular events in 1914, winning free-for-all at Sacramento, pacing fastest heat in 2:03¾, and standing second in the summary in the race at Woodland in which Jim Logan set coast record. Has paced ten winning heats below 2:06. Entered by J. N. Jones and trained by him at Stockton.

LITTLE BERNICE 2:06¼, bay mare, foaled 1910, by Del Coronado 2:09½, dam Pearl Pointer by Sky Pointer 34567, grandam Pearl M. by Ottoman 15000; bred by J. H. Williams, Los Angeles. Record of 2:09¼ as a three-year-old, when she made 15 starts, winning 6, second 7, and but twice behind the money, campaigned by Charley Atkinson. Was second to William in three races, forcing him to pace two record heats in 2:05¼, 2:05 at Peoria after having been second to Empire Direct in a split-heat race only two days before. Taken east in 1914 by Arlie Frost but was not good most of the time. Was five times unplaced, once fourth, and at Pittsburg won second, fifth and sixth heats in 2:06¼, 2:08, 2:10, Don Patch and Sellers D. being the other heat winners. Entered by Samuel Watkins, Los Angeles; trained at Los Angeles by Charley Atkinson and owner.

MARGOT HAL 2:04¼, bay mare, foaled 1908, by Argot Hal 2:07½ (p. 2:04¾), dam Mary Campbell by Tennessee Wilkes 2:27, grandam Chestnut Belle by Brown Trigham; bred by S. Walton, Falls Mills, Va. Raced on the Grand Circuit in 1913 by Alonzo McDonald—six firsts, one second, one third, one fourth. Took record in winning race at Columbus, winning second, third and fifth heats in 2:04¼, 2:05¾, 2:05¾, later in the same meeting winning a straight heat race and pacing two heats below 2:06. Met with injury and was started but twice late in season of 1914, fourth at Dallas to Earl Jr. and unplaced at Phoenix in race in which King Couchman took his present record, 2:02¾. Entered by Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis, and trained by him at Los Angeles.

WALNUT GROVE 2:05¼, black horse, foaled 1906, by Constantine 2:12½, dam Lindis by Jackdaw 2:28¼, grandam Voila by Silverthorne 2:15; bred by M. A. Low, Topeka, Kan. Has been raced since 1910 on both bull rings and Grand Circuit. Took record at Lexington, 1913, in third heat, second every other heat to Michigan Queen in 2:05, 2:05¼, 2:03¾. Won no races on Grand Circuit last year but was placed in fast company in a number of events, being second to Peter Stevens in two races, one heat in 2:03¼. Entered by A. F. Ruthven, Agt., Kansas City; trained by him at Pleasanton.

WHITE SOX 2:06¼, bay mare, foaled 1908, by Del Coronado 2:09½, dam Subito (dam of 2 in 2:10) by Steinway 2:25¾, grandam Jenny Mac 2:09 by McKinney 2:11¼; bred by Clarence J. Berry, Los Angeles. Originally a trotter, with a record of 2:13¼ at that gait, raced last year as pacer for first time. Won 5 races, twice second, once drawn (in the mud at Salem). Best performance was at State Fair at Sacramento—3 starts. Won one, second to Clara Mac in 2:07½, 2:05¾, 2:06¾, and was again second to same mare, winning second heat in 2:06¼ and forcing the Expressive Mac mare to pace third heat in 2:04½. Entered by "Durfee & Company"; trained at Los Angeles by W. G. Durfee.

ZULU BELLE 2:06¼, black mare, foaled 1906, by Petigru 2:10¼, dam Johanna Treat 2:24¾ (dam of Del Coronado 2:09½) by Thomas Rysdyk 10649, grandam Kate Treat by Venture 320; bred by F. W. Wadham, Nestor, Col. Raced both as trotter and as pacer in 1913, record of 2:10¼ at trot and 2:06¼ at pace, latter made at Phoenix, two heats in that notch. In 1914 had some hard luck but forced Vera Hal to pace in 2:05 at Santa Rosa, won at Woodland in 2:06½, 2:08¼, and at Sacramento made Airlie Demonio go two heats below 2:06. Was outside money at Phoenix but went faster than her record. Entered by Al Schwartz, Pleasanton, and trained there by him.

Sibyl Derby by Charles Derby, owned by President A. L. Scott of the California State Agricultural Society, foaled last week at San Jose a fine filly by The Bondsman.

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Havis James was a visitor in Toronto recently, going over from Brantford where he has two colts in training, and while there made arrangements with Al. Proctor to take the three-year-old trotting filly, Pearl Thorn, by Peter Leyburn, to Detroit for a course of training. Mr. James was very favorably impressed with the filly when she showed a mile in 2:35 over the Dufferin track and believes that she will develop Grand Circuit calibre. The horses will be shipped about May 1.—Canadian Sportsman.

THE SIRE OF INFERLOTTA 2:04¾.

Seattle, April 29, 1915.

The Breeder and Sportsman:

I am going to ask for some space, just to give some of the old-timers in California a little ancient history, so please pardon me for this intrusion. While going through the usual routine of a hotel keeper I was introduced to a gentleman named Dr. C. D. Crutcher, formerly a resident of Nashville, Tennessee, and of late years a practicing physician at Camas, Montana, on the famous Flathead reservation. Dr. Crutcher is a gentleman of the old school, and aside from being a very fine gentleman and a capable physician he is a lover of the standard bred horse. The Doctor surprised me by saying that he is the owner of the horse, Inferna, the son of Diablo and Biscara by Director, second dam Bicara by Harold. Inferna is well known to the California horsemen as the sire of Inferlotta 2:04¾.

I had supposed that Inferna was dead but Dr. Crutcher's story of him is somewhat like a romance. He tells me that Inferna was won in a bridge whist game by Captain R. E. McNally of the United States army and was taken from San Francisco to Fort Assiniboine, Montana, in 1906 and was sold by Captain McNally or his agents to his present owner, Dr. Crutcher, and was kept at Fort Benton, Montana, for a short while by Dr. Crutcher.

The doctor used Inferna in his practice, which is a large one and covers a lot of territory. He said that this highly bred horse made him a most ideal physician's horse and an ideal companion, whether he was used to harness or under saddle or driven to pole. The doctor said that he has been unable to give Inferna very much of an opportunity but from what little chance this great horse has had he has several fast pacers. Among the number are the three winners of last year on Montana tracks, namely Ferndot, winner with a record of 2:21¼, and Fernwood, with a winning record of 2:17¼ taken at Bozeman, Montana. I find that both of these horses were good race horses through the Montana circuit. The doctor tells me that there are quite a few others, and one that went to Canada. Dr. Crutcher is the owner of a few very choice mares, namely, Lady of the Period by Kentucky Volunteer, dam Dot, great brood mare by Mambrino Diamond. Dot will be better known as the dam of Modicum 2:13, the pacer that Ted Hayes campaigned. The doctor also owns the mare Ayress by George Ayress 2:17, dam Dot by Mambrino Diamond; also Mildred C. by Argot Wilkes, dam Cactus by Cuyler, second dam the dam of Star Pointer, by Snow Heels. Mildred C. is the dam of a very fast pacer by Inferna that has been taken to Western Canada. The nearest race track to Dr. Crutcher is Missoula, which is seventy miles from his home.

It strikes me that if Ira Pierce could come back from horse heaven he would smile when he read that this chestnut son of Biscara has been exiled on an Indian reservation in the most thinly settled part of the big state of Montana; however, as he is a horse of quality it is quite possible that he may yet found a family and that they will all be as fast as the little mare Inferlotta.

I believe that I have taken up a lot of space with this story, and there are many that it will not appeal to; however to those who will remember Inferlotta in her races they will be interested to know that her sire is still alive and is at present in Seattle, having recently been brought here by a phoney buyer, who deceived Dr. Crutcher by writing him that he would buy Inferna if he would land him in Seattle. Now that he is here, the supposed buyer has vanished, and nothing would give me more pleasure than to be able to land this beautiful horse back in his original stable at the Santa Rosa stock farm so that if the Pierce brothers could take a look back from horse heaven they would see Inferna's head out over the door. Inferna, I believe, is about 16 years old and he is as spry as a five-year-old, is a most beautiful chestnut horse, and what student of breeding could look over the dams of this horse without feeling a thrill of pleasure?

Hoping that this bit of story will be read with interest by many of the good old-time horsemen of California, and especially those around Santa Rosa, I am Yours very truly,

C. A. HARRISON.

[Mr. Harrison's interesting story of Inferna and his mention of the fast pacer out of Mildred C. awakens some old-time memories for the present editor of this publication, as one of the first "producers" that the writer recalls was the old bay mare Cactus by Cuyler, who was a "member of the family" in the early nineties. My remembrance of Cactus, who was purchased by my father when I was in the neighborhood of ten or eleven years of age, is that she was a rather high strung mare, Argot Wilkes being selected as a proper mate for her in 1893 largely on account of the fact that he was one of the "clock headed" kind as a race horse, though he had not as yet attained prominence as a sire. The two "greatest horses in the world" for me about that time were Argot Wilkes 2:14¼ and Vistigie 2:09¼, the latter owned by Walter Moore, now "Traveller" of the staff of our esteemed contemporary the Horse Review. Cactus proved safe with foal, but before delivery was due, if I remember aright, she was sold to a cousin, Charles E. Bishop, later a resident of Kalispell, Montana, and it was for him that the resultant youngster was named. The Bishop was of the very first crop of Argot Wilkes performers, racing to a three-year-old record of 2:12¼ in 1897, that year witnessing the advent of the Walter Dunn stallion to the Great Table of Sires with a representation of five pacers, including Argoreat 2:09¾. The Bishop justified my father's theory of breeding by becoming a fast, good headed, game pacer, racing to his fastest record, 2:06, in 1902, while as a four-year-old at Springfield, Ill., he was twice a heat winner in that memorable 2:11 pace, which still stands as the fastest ten heat affair on record. Before his removal to Montana Mr. Bishop also bred, from the same mare and stallion, the pacing mare Nelly Bishop 2:17¾, the speed sire Argorel (sire of Elsie S. 2:09¼) and the matron now owned by Doctor Crutcher. Cactus also produced two trotters and two speed sires before coming into the writer's ken, so it is not surprising that Mildred C. should produce speed when mated to Inferna 2:15½. The Doctor is mistaken, however, when he states that Mildred C.'s second dam is by Snow Heels, as Cactus had two top crosses to Hambletonian 10, her dam being Rising Sun by Logan 127, who was, like Cuyler, a son of William Rysdyk's famous sire. Probably he has confused the bloodlines of Mildred C.'s sire with those of her dam, Sweepstakes (dam of Star Pointer 1:59¼, etc.) by Snow Heels, being the grandam of Argot Wilkes 2:14¼.—Ed.]

AUTHORITIES DIFFER.

The statement that Andrew Albright, Jr., of Newark, was part owner of Nathan Axworthy 2:12¼ is credited by some of our contemporaries to "an eastern horse paper," which might mean The Trotter and Pacer, but it would not be true. Some weeks ago we quoted an item from the Breeder and Sportsman, of San Francisco, which stated that Mr. Albright owned an interest in the horse, but in our comment we expressed doubt of its accuracy; that was all. It has since developed that Mr. E. B. Oates, of Paterson, N. J., is still sole owner of the stallion.—Trotter and Pacer.

[Not knowing the Trotter and Pacer's source of information we are unaware as to its authenticity. Our own information, which led to the publication of the item that stirred up this momentous controversy, was voluntarily given in this office by Mr. Andrew Allbright, Jr., a gentleman quite able to keep track of his varied affairs and to know whereof he speaks.—Ed.]

STAKE ENTRIES AT MONTREAL.

The King George, 2:08 Class Trot, Purse $5,000.

Passall, blk s by Crystallion, E. A. Colburn; King Clansman, br h by The Clansman, Dick McMahon; Axtien, c h by Axworthy, Samuel Harris; Junior Watts, b s by General Watts, H. B. Rea; Willgo, b h by Togo, J. Crouch & Son; J. Malcolm Forbes, b s by Bingen, E. F. Geers; Peter Johnson, b s by Grey Peter, Walter R. Cox; Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great, Thos. W. Murphy; Lulu Lumine, b m by Orator, Thos. W. Murphy; Bright Axworthy, by Axworthy, Thos. W. Murphy; Duchess, ro m by Allerteen, A. McDonald; Peter McCormick, br s by Peter the Great, V. L. Shuler; Albaloma, b g by Almaden D., I. L. Borden; Victor Star, b g by Star Simmons, C. A. Valentine.

The Queen Mary, 2:06 Class Pace, Purse $5,000.

Lustrous McKinney, b g by McKinney, A. S. Rodney; Our Colonel, b h by Col. Cochran, J. B. Jones; Miss Miriam, rn m by Margen No. 61294, Parker Bros.; Alcy E., b m by Alcymont, Dick McMahon; Dr. Burns, Jr., b h by Doctor Burns, W. P. Leech; Judge Ormonde, blk s by Ormonde, C. A. Valentine; Beth Clark blk m by Joe Patchen, C. A. Valentine; Lelia Patchen, blk m by Dan's Brother, W. L. Snow; Hal Boy, b g by Hal B., Edw. Peterson; Russell Boy, b s by Rustic Pantenter, W. A. McDaniel, Agt.; Baron A., b h by Baron Medium, Walter R. Cox; Camelia, b m by Cummer, Walter R. Cox; Hal S., rn g by Hal Chaffin, Thos. W. Murphy; Major Ong, b g by Major Gantz, Thos. W. Murphy; Peter Farren, b h by Peter the Great, Thos. W. Murphy; O. U. C., b g by C. The Limit, S. S. Bailey; Rastus, b g by Liberty Boy, A. McDonald; Walnut Grove, blk s by Constantine, A. F. Ruthven; Rose Equity, br m by Equity, A. F. Ruthven.

The Dominion of Canada, 2:12 Class Trot, Purse $3,000.

Passall, bl s by Crystallion, E. A. Colburn; Baron Aberdeen, br g by Baron Wilkes, Robt. Proctor; Axtien, c h by Axworthy, Samuel Harris; Todd Temple, br g by Todd Mack, James Westwater; Junior Watts, b s by General Watts, Henry B. Rea; Hesperus Chimes, b s by Hesperus S., J. E. Renick; Lusitania, blk m by Kinney Mc, J. Crouch & Son; The Guide, b s by Peter the Great, E. F. Geers; Russian Dame, b m by George Muscovite, E. F. Geers; Decision, b m by The Exponent, L. Langevin; Worthy Prince, by Prince McKinney, Walter R. Cox; Seneca Boy, ch g by King Entertainer, E. J. Rochon; Great Isle, b h by Peter the Great, Thos. W. Murphy; Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great, Thos. W. Murphy; Sadie S., b m by Archdale, Thos. W. Murphy; Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen, Thos. W. Murphy; Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide, Frank Childs; McClosky, b g by Theodosia, A. McDonald; Laramie Lad, b g by Master by Theodosius, A. McDonald; Laramie Lad, b g by Master C. A. Valentine.

The Greater Montreal, 2:10 Class Pace, Purse $3,000.

Lustrous McKinney, b g by McKinney, A. S. Rodney; Miss Miriam, rn m by Margen No. 61294, Parker Bros.; Nellie Temple, b m by Nervola, Dick McMahon; Russell Boy, b s by Rustic Patenter, W. A. McDonald, Agt.; Alta Wood, gr m by Allenwood, C. A. Valentine; Rex Heart, b s by Great Heart, C. A. Valentine; Judge Ormonde, bl s by Ormonde, C. A. Valentine; Col. Echo, by Echo Todd, A. R. Gillis; Hal Plex E., br s by Empire Hal, E. F. Geers; Presolite, blk m by Don Varrick, E. F. Geers; Thistle Patch, blk h by Joe Patchen, W. L. Snow; Hal Boy, b g by Hal B., Edw. Peterson; Rouses Point Boy, b g by Judge Swing, Derby Racing Stable; Aconite, b s by Aquilin, Walter R. Cox; B. M., b g by Peacedale, Walter R. Cox; The Beaver, b h by Searchlight, E. J. Rochon; Jean, b m by Flasco, Thos. W. Murphy; Derby Custer, ch h by Ed. Custer, Thos. W. Murphy; Hal S., rn g by Hal Chaffin, Thos. W. Murphy; Peter Farren, b h by Peter the Great, Thos. W. Murphy; Patrick "M," blk g by Norbells, H. H. Stokes; O. U. C., b g by C. The Limit, S. S. Bailey; Walnut Grove, blk s by Constantine, A. F. Ruthven.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

JOE McGUIRE'S STABLE.

The first string of trotters to arrive at the expos tion grounds to prepare for the June trots are thos entered by Joe McGuire of Denver and A. R. Gumae of Florence, Colorado, the quintette arriving Tuesda evening, with Joe in personal charge. They loade out from the Colorado city at noon Sunday and had pleasant ship by way of the Western Pacific, unloa ing in excellent condition and taking up comfortab quarters in barn number six.

Red Rock, Joe's entry for the 2:06 pacing stak and a couple of class races at each meeting, is Colorado bred gelding, six years old, by Lewis Wi kens 36848 (Lewis Wilkes 2:15¼), dam Red Bir 2:23½ by E. S. 2:11¼, sire of the dam of Roy Wilke 2:06¼. In 1913 he was raced over the northwester circuits on both sides of the line, six times first, fiv times second and but twice unplaced out of seve teen starts, taking his record of 2:12 at Salem, whe he trimmed Pointer's Daughter and a flock of Hal B pacers. In 1914 he made only two starts, both a Denver, winning both without damaging his win rac record and forcing out Espeire in 2:08¼ in the onl heat he lost. Direct Line, Joe's other pacer, has yet t make his debut, but is a husky bay son of Baron D rect (sire of Braden Direct 2:01½), out of the doubl producer Woodland Echo by Woodline, grandam Ech by Dictate, son of Dictator.

Two of Mr. Gumaer's youngsters are the result o his own breeding operations at his establishment a Florence—A. R. G., a bay youngster with engage ments in the big trotting stakes and some of th slower classes, and the black colt Peter E., entere in the five thousand dollar trot for three-year-old at the June meeting. They are brothers by Gumae Hal, one of Colorado's best bred stallions, out o Claudia Chimes (dam of Judge Dare 2:21¼ and Pris cilla 2:22¼) by Chimes, grandam Charmer (dam o Shadow Chimes 2:05 and three others) by Mambrin King, and both showed very nicely before leavin home. Monk, Mr. Gumaer's pacer, is by Saraway the sire of Winfield Stratton 2:05¼, and out of Dais H. (dam of two in 2:20 or better) by Clark Chief Jr grandam a daughter of Volunteer.

Mr. McGuire wintered at Overland Park and th elders of his stable were up to miles in 2:20 befor leaving home, so that they are in shape to fit wel for their early engagements. Passall, Mr. Colburn' trotter, will be out shortly, and L. C. Kinney expecte to ship from Bushnell some time this week.

FORDFOOLISHNESS.

"There was an old man who had a peg leg;
He was too poor to buy and to proud to beg.
With some spools, some cans and a few such things,
He built him a Ford, and it runs, by jings."
—Exchange.

There once was a cowboy named Sourdough Skaggs,
Who was hellbent on saving his "Horseshoe" tags,
For he'd get a fine premium if he gathered enough,
And he soon had a match box as full as 'twould stuff.
But, alas for his dreams of a sharp pocket knife
Or some new flumidoodle to please his fond wife
For he sent 'em to H. Ford, most generous of gents,
Who expressed him an auto—and thirty-two cents!

BREEDS RECOGNIZED IN P.-P. I. E. LIVESTOCK COMPETITIONS.

In the Prize List of the Department of Live Stock of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, the horses will be judged from September 30 to October 4, with four breeds in each day's program, which will begin at 9 o'clock a. m. The following breeds will be recognized:

Percheron, Belgian, Clydesdale, Shire, Suffolk-Punch, Standard Trotter, Thoroughbred, Saddle Horse, Morgan, Hackney, Arabian, Shetland Pony, Welsh Pony, Jacks and Jennets and Mules.

Cattle will be judged from October 18 to October 26. The following breeds will be recognized:

Shorthorn, Hereford, Aberdeen-Augus, Galloway, Polled Durham, Red Polled, Devon, Jersey, Ayrshire, Guernsey, Holstein-Friesian, Dutch Belted, Dairy Shorthorn, Brown Swiss, French Canadian, Simmenthal, Kerry and Dexter.

Sheep and goats will be judged from November 3 to November 12. The following breeds will be recognized:

Shropshire, Hampshire, Cotswold, Oxford, Dorset, Southdown, Lincoln, Cheviot, Leicester, Romney, Tunis, Rambouillet B, Rambouillet C, Merino-Smooth, Merino-Wrinkly, Corriedale, Exmoor, Persian Fat Tailed, Karakule, Angora and Milch Goats.

Swine will be judged from November 3 to November 8. The following breeds will be recognized:

Poland-China, Berkshire, Duroc-Jersey, Chester White or O. I. C., Hampshire, Mule Foot, Tamworth, Large Yorkshire, Large English Black, Victoria, Essex, Chesshire.

Copies of the Prize List and rules may be obtained by addressing Chief D. O. Lively, Department of Live Stock, Panama-Pacific International Exposition, San Francisco, Cal.

SAN FRANCISCO-CALIFORNIA DRIVING CLUB.

For the past two weeks the members of the San Francisco and California Driving Clubs have been hard at work on a proposition to get together for this season's racing at the P.-P. I. E. track, and while for a time the weather reports were along the order of "thunder in the mountains" and "heavy seas outside the heads," a beautiful calm has at last succeeded the turmoil and all is peace in local amateur circles for the present. Late last week peace envoys from both clubs actively engaged in racing staged a "Portland conference" that resulted in the framing of terms upon which an amalgamation of the warring factions could be effected.

Neither club being willing to adopt the name of the other for the new organization and no entirely original acceptable substitute being offered, a compromise was effected by linking the old names as above. The San Francisco delegation won the toss for president, and George J. Giannini will be the new club's presiding officer, with D. E. Hoffman and Luke Marisch of the old California Club officiating as first vice-president and secretary, respectively. The selection of the remaining officers was left until the joint meeting at which the permanent organization of the new body was to be perfected.

In pursuance of these plans, the San Francisco club met Tuesday evening at the Mission Improvement Association hall and wound up its affairs, the "wake" of the California club being celebrated the following evening at Eagles Hall. It was the tentative program to hold the first joint meeting Friday night, but as our forms close Friday noon the results of this conference cannot be stated until next week. Racing will be conducted throughout the season at the P.-P. I. E. track, starting some time this month most probably, and as the club, as it now stands, has plenty of horses the sport will be of the first order. Sunday, May 16, was seriously considered as the date of the season's inauguration, but the inclement weather of the past several days may cause this plan to be abandoned.

MAY DAY AT DIXON.

In spite of the fact that the weather was the most unpleasant that had attended the event for some years, May Day at Dixon was a huge success in every way. Folks by the hundreds flocked in from the country and the surrounding towns in the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys, while a goodly delegation went up from San Francisco and other bay points.

The harness races were the big events of the day and the big crowd was treated to the greatest exhibition of speed ever staged on a half mile track on the coast. Good horses were in evidence in every event, many of them entered at the early meetings here at the exposition and consequently "trained to a hair" right now. Loren Daniels, with horses from the stable of Charles F. Silva cleaned up the program, but not without competition of the hottest kind. Oro Mo by Demonio took Donald into camp in the 2:20 pace, with the fastest heat in 1:03, and Eloise Dell bested Future Tramp and Verne Antie in the twenty trot, one heat being in 1:05. Teddy Bear and Vera Hal, however, put on the "hair raiser" in the free-for-all pace, it requiring four heats for a decision. All of them were sizzlers, with the fastest in 1:01¼. Daniels had taken the Del Coronado pacer well down the stretch and was going a two-minute clip when the word was given, with the little bay mare lapped up on him and getting into her stride like a runner. They raced the entire heat just that way, Teddy winning by a small margin only. Della H. bested the balance of the field for third position.

So well was the crowd pleased with the afternoon's sport that there is a movement already under way to hold a three-day meeting over the same course later in the season.

SEBASTIAN-MORRISON STABLE GOING EAST.

Six horses from the Sebastian-Morrison stables at the Hemet Stock Farm will be shipped east Monday and will be raced during the summer over the Kansas-Oklahoma circuit. The horses will be shipped direct to Winfield, Kansas, where they will join the C. M. Clark stables. The Clark horses have been wintering in Winfield, and are reported in fine condition. The stable includes Hal McKinney, Copanacca and Tommy Hooper, all of them former Hemet horses. The horses will race in Kansas, Oklahoma, Nebraska and Arkansas and will complete the circuit in time to be brought to the fall meeting at the San Francisco exposition, where they are heavily staked.

The horses to be taken from Hemet are:

Pronto J. (trotter), did trial mile this week in 2:12, and the last half was trotted in 1:04½.

Frank H. Holloway (pacer), trial mile in 2:13, last half in 1:04½. This horse was bought by Mr. Morrison from the Hemet Stock Farm several months ago.

Selma Paley (two-year-old by Wilbur Lou), did mile in 2:33 as a yearling.

Three horses belonging to the Hemet Stock Farm will be taken and sold in the east. They are Tena G., Ittinaris (by Nutwood Wilkes), The Shark (by Kinney Lou).

Mr. Sebastian will drive all of the horses, including the Clark stable, and the outlook for a prosperous season is exceptionally good. Mr. Morrison will accompany the stable, and Mrs. Sebastian will accompany her husband.—Hemet News.

RACING AS AN INDUSTRY.

The revival of racing on a grand scale is now the promise and expectation of the Jockey Club and the public and The Rider and Driver predicts the fulfillment of the "wish that is father to the thought."

It is strange that while racing goes on in spite of the war some of the horse shows, especially in England and Canada, have been suspended; it was also the case with the National Horse Show Association of North America, last year, while racing was going ahead by leaps and bounds.

In regard to the question in England, the home of racing and one of the vital seats of the war, the sporting and news papers are full of arguments in behalf of keeping the sport alive.

Lord Roseberry, in the Times, speaking as to what the Allies think of the British, declares: "I think our Allies know that Englishmen do not think it necessary to put up the shutters whenever they are engaged in war. They know that we are paying two millions a day for this war, and do not think that we shall add the sacrifice of our thoroughbred horses, which are so invaluable for the future of our army. For, make no mistake, if our races are to cease our thoroughbred horses must disappear. No man can afford to keep blockstock for the mere pleasure of looking at them in the stable.

"Once before," adds Lord Rosebery, "our country has been 'engaged in a life and death struggle,' at least as strenuous and desperate as this; I mean against the French Revolution and Napoleon. All through that score of bloody years the Epsom and Ascot meetings were regularly held, nor indeed does it seem to have occurred to our forefathers that it was guilty to witness races while we were at war. I remember asking the late Lord Stradbroke which was the most interesting race that he had ever witnessed for the Ascot Cup. He replied (I am almost sure, though it is outside my argument) that for 1815, which was run on June 8, eight days before Quatre Bras, ten days before Waterloo, when Napoleon and Wellington were confronting each other to contend for the championship of the world."

To the Daily Telegraph the Right Hon. Henry Chaplin, M. P., a member of the Jockey Club since 1864, and the winner of the Derby with Hermit in 1867, writes: "No one would regret more than I that any action of ours in England should give pain or umbrage to our Allies, but for nearly fifty years of my life, I think I may say, I have been more or less intimately acquainted with the leading members of the turf in France, and I am satisfied of this, that it is not from the sportsmen among them that the alleged complaints of our racing proceed. If racing were stopped altogether during a war which may conceivably last for a long time yet, I know not by what means the cost of maintaining establishments and the payment of interest on the capital embarked in them is to be met; and if an institution like this is once to be stopped it becomes a serious question whether it can ever be started again. One thing is certain—racing, hunting, and the English breed of horses are so closely connected that they stand or fall together. I regard our breed of horses as a national asset of the utmost value, especially in time of war, and I, for one, should regard its disappearance as little short of a national disaster."

Lord Lonsdale declares that racing is entirely a question—apart from the sporting point of view—of trials of the superior animals of the world. If these trials are denied to those who are interested in breeding, it would be impossible to maintain the high standard of breeding that has up to the present time existed in England. Then his lordship adds: "If racing is to be abandoned, you will find that the highest class of trial (thereby producing the greatest value in the animals that win these respective races) will be entirely lost."

Mr. E. Somerville Tattersall makes the following remarks in a letter to the Telegraph:

"One Cambridge man writes: 'Does horse racing help the nation to prevail in the war? Now, however much the training of race horses may be a benefit in ordinary times, it can scarcely be so at present, when they might be used in ways far more serviceable to the nation.' This writer seems ignorant of the fact that a serviceable horse, according to the War Office, is not younger than five years old, and that the majority of race horses in training are two, three, and four years old. If racing is suspended now the horses of these ages will not be tested in a way which will enable us to know their value.

"We have recently seen His Majesty at the Agricultural Hall presenting the King's Cup for the second year in succession to the owners of Birk Gill. This horse and all the other King's Premium horses are the result of racing, and for years past have been nearly related to the best winners on the turf.

"Now, in breeding from these horses, at any rate one knows by Epsom and Ascot tests that there is stout blood in them. Remove the tests and all is chaos. Stop racing and many breeders will be compelled to give up their serviceable amusement. There are many with limited incomes who breed thoroughbreds which would then become absolutely useless and unsaleable. It would save expenses to shoot them rather than keep them till the end of the war on the chance of their being useful riding horses, or possibly sires of very low value."

That racing in England is to continue was the decree of the Jockey Club, which, on Tuesday, March 16, decided that it saw no reason to reverse its decision made last September to the effect that the sport should be carried out where local conditions permitted.

Captain Greer, senior steward, said:

"The cessation of racing for two years would break every breeder of bloodstock in Great Britain and Ireland who was dependent on the proceeds of his stud for his income; and their employees, chiefly steady, elderly married men, quite unfitted for any other form of employment, would be absolutely deprived of their livelihood.

"If racing were stopped for an indefinite period it was obvious that the business of the men who trained horses to race must stop with it. Every training stable was a center of industry. The flourishing town of Newmarket, with 12,000 inhabitants, depended entirely for its existence on the training and breeding establishments around it."

SADDLE HORSE AFFAIRS.

It was announced at the annual meeting of the American Saddle Horse Breeders' Association by Second Vice-President Thurman that President John B. Castleman was under treatment in the hospital at St. Augustine, and that First Vice-President Claude M. Thomas had been called to Baltimore by the illness of his father, E. K. Thomas, the old-time Shorthorn breeder. Later word announces that Gen. Castleman has returned from the hospital to his winter home in Eau Callie in better physical condition than for months past. He proposed to attend the meeting against the advice of his physician if his presence was deemed necessary.

The financial statement showed receipts during the year of $7,546.50, and a cash balance of $743.30. Securities to the amount of $4,991.82 are held by the association.

During the past year 1,475 mares were registered, and 500 stallions and geldings. This is a decrease in registration of 317. The number of foals registered in 1914 decreased 117 over the previous year. Volume 6, containing 3,000 registrations, was issued in December. Secretary R. H. Lillard submitted the following recommendations:

"To supply a constant and growing demand for information I would respectfully recommend that data concerning the original breeding, characteristics, achievements and utility of the saddle horse be arranged in pamphlet form for general distribution.

"I beg also to call the attention of not only the members of the association but all saddle horse breeders and dealers to their neglect in not having transfers officially recorded. The need for recording transfers is made apparent by the inability to answer inquiries in regard to the ownership of horses where transfer has not been made. Record of transfers would aid in preventing fraudulent and erroneous registrations and stallion owners especially should be required to show ownership of horse before certificate of breeding accompanying applications is accepted as evidence that mare was bred."

The preparation and publication of the pamphlet recommended by the secretary was authorized.

A committee—S. T. Harbison, Matt S. Cohen, I. H. Thurman, Allie Jones and Powhattan Wooldridge—had been appointed by Prof. J. J. Hooper at a Lexington meeting of saddle horsemen to draft a new form of stakes to be recommended to fairs. They recommended, taking a $3,000 stake as a basis, that the fair provide $1,500 and charge a nomination fee of 10 per cent of this amount, or $150 for each nomination, payable 60 days before the exhibition, and require at least ten entries to fill; the stake to be divided $1,000 to first, $750 to second, $500 to third, $400 to fourth and $350 to fifth winners. Of the first money $100 is to be in plate, which will be withheld at the decision of the stake early in the week, and awarded later when the winner will be required to give an individual exhibition. A special feature of this proposed stake is that the excess money received in fees when nominations total more than ten be shown for as a consolation stake by horses winning no part of the stake.

The committee's suggestions were adopted with one exception. The committee recommended that the consolation stake be divided 60 per cent to first and 40 per cent to second horse. By action of the association on that point the recommendation is that the consolation stake be divided 40, 30, 20 and 10 per cent among the four winners.

The publicity committee was ordered continued, with authority to take such steps in advertising the saddle horse as it deemed best.

The committee on increase of capital stock reported that the written consent of two-thirds of the stockholders must be obtained to such increase, and that the shares must first be offered to the present stockholders. The committee was instructed to take the necessary steps to increase the capital stock to $25,000.

Officers were re-elected as follows: President, John B. Castleman, Louisville, Ky.; first vice-president, Claude M. Thomas, Paris, Ky.; second vice-president, I. H. Thurman, Springfield, Ky.; treasurer, Harry Weissinger, Shelbyville, Ky.; secretary, R. H. Lillard, Louisville, Ky. Directors: John T. Woodford, E. W. McCormack, H. A. Greenwell, L. L. Wells, Powhattan Wooldridge, John T. Collins, Paul Brown, James A. Houchin, J. L. Gay, and Gus Ball. State vice-presidents were elected for 21 states, the District of Columbia and Hawaii.

The secretary was instructed to secure the age and date of death of all prominent registered sires, and allot a page to them in Volume 7, giving the name and post office address of last owner.—Breeders Gazette.

HOW TO BECOME A TURF JOURNALIST.

[By One of Them.]

Editor The Horseman:—Having a desire to travel over the country at somebody's expense except my own, and at the same time not to be burdened with too much work, I have selected a turf writer's job as being the best form of amusement. Have had no experience, but think you might put me wise as to what I must do should I secure such a job. Yours.—S. O. Ftsnap.

We are sorry to hear that you have selected turf writing as your ideal profession, because talents, such as you claim to possess, should not be wasted on such a life of ease as it enervates you for any other kind of work that you may wish to adopt later on, in case you meet with a failure in scribbling about horses, their owners and trainers. Once you become a turf writer, you will always dabble in the game more or less, and no man ever becomes rich or even gathers enough of the "gelt" to keep him from want when he becomes old and decrepit. You will always be a pensioner on some paper or hanging on to the coat-tails of some rich owner, taking any crumbs of subsistence that he may hand you. When you reach that ripe old age when a rocking chair and cambric tea are your most strenuous dissipations, you can only fall back on reminiscences of the past and exploit in your writings (if any paper is charitable enough to take them) the times you spent in the past, when you were allowed to address some big mug in the horse business. The chances are this rich owner did not know you were there, but in this autumn of your turf career, everybody else that could remember is dead and you are safe from contradiction. Remember that old saying, "It isn't what you used to be, but what you are today."

Some turf writers, however, reach a little bit further than this, in their advancing years; they become editors, not through their ability to write good horse stories, but because of their ability to masticate dictionaries and encyclopedias, the long words used by them in their effusions are rarely understood by the average horseman, and hence they are credited with being smarter than the average turf writer, thus securing the position of editor, which is indeed a soft berth for some. Others adopt the statistical feature of turf journalism to hold on and this job is as good an excuse as handling the blue pencil; statisticians on rival papers, through jealousy, are the only ones to find out any mistakes that may occur, as they apparently neglect their regular work, while hunting out the faults of their rivals. Some turf writers start as statisticians and never climb any higher. Other aged turf writers take up arranging advertising for others, some tabulate pedigrees at a bone or more per ped., some become race track officials, but the majority just drift along until their death notices appear and then they are forgotten. The very elite become stock farm managers, secretaries of parent trotting associations, or syndicate the turf news.

Now that we have shown you the finish of the average turf writer, mellow with age, whose knowledge of horses dates back to Volunteer and Hambletonian days, and who knows more about those days than the present, we will endeavor to give you pointers on how to become successful in the profession (?) since your mind is so set on adopting it.

The first important point is to become known. Make your first acquaintance large, mix in all groups of horsemen wherever you find them, do not care whether the conversation is private or not, never think you are not wanted. These groups may move away from you, but follow them up; as a representative of the power of the press they will not insult you; just stick until you break up the conversation; they will admire your bull-dog tenacity. This style of action should only happen, however, after you have secured a position on some turf journal or daily newspaper, even if you are only being paid for what you write.

Get a regular salaried position. This should be your aim, as you cannot have a very good time while paying your own expenses, and you do not stand as high in the community. It sounds better to hear the answer, "Why, he is a reporter for the 'Spavin Journal,'" than to hear someone say, "Oh, he gets paid for what he writes on the Daily Spasm." Then, again, your grafting will be better on a paper that circulates further than any local.

It is not a bad idea to establish yourself, by making a pet out of one or two trainers or owners. Keep plugging them all the time; take up any knocks that are registered against them and praise everything they do and every horse they own. The other owners and trainers soon notice this and say, "I wonder how much Billiken came across for that," or some other expression meaning the same thing. By this constant shooting the bull at a select few, you soon become known and your staff is gradually increased until you are fairly well known in all gatherings where horsemen are present, and you soon have the hand-shaking privilege wherever you go. After this you can safely feel that it is time to commence a little grafting to insure more comforts and be able to display a small bank roll. The possession of the latter also allows you the privilege of talking loud and making bets, but never when talking betting put up the money, as you must find some excuse for reneging if you lose. Some turf writers keep a book on such bets, as this gives them a chance for future and amusing arguments.

Talking about grafting, right here we would say that there are many ways of getting it. Some grafters are more expensive to the victim than others, and like manufactured goods, there are a number of grades, starting from the one who is satisfied with a drink or a drunk, up to the one that requires a large money consideration. Turf writers, as a rule, never reach the latter class, as their wants and style of living do not aspire to large sums of money. The paper they work for pays the railroad and hotel bills, they get enough cigars handed to them to keep them going, a touch made on some of their victims, and a winning bet now and then, puts ready cash in their pockets. Once in a while a turf writer becomes the owner of a brood mare, either through the form of a gife or otherwise. If he wants to breed on a small scale he can easily secure a free service by boosting the stallion he would like to use. Some turf-writing-owners have even tried to secure free entrance into futurities for the mares owned by them. These free-service getters must always protect the owners of these free stallions; in fact, it becomes a life-long job. Other turf writers manage to secure horses without paying for them, and when sold the profit is pocketed by them, but nobody knows where the original buying price of the horse goes to. Maybe the horses were only loaned.

Some turf writers secure their graft through butting in on the sale of a horse. They act as a go-between and often collect from both sides. They also make good sales agents, because if they hear an owner say that his horse is for sale, they will tout him far and near in their columns and, if sold, they must have their bit, and if the owner doesn't come across some fault is suddenly found in the horse, and so strong is the influence brought to bear that the sale is off.

The booze-grafter is the cheapest one in the profession, and it really requires the use of some diplomacy to become a success. But it is very successful, if properly worked, as is strongly evidenced when you see a turf writer come into the gate of a race track cold sober, and before the day is over, he is doing and saying foolish things, not even looking at the races. A grafter of this kind first locates the bar, then finds some horseman that is strong on the booze. He commences the conversation, after the hand-shaking is over, by praising the work or breeding of a certain horse, and slings this bull so strong that he is invited to "have one." Then he smiles and cuddles up at once, and in his journey along the "path" from point of conversation to the third rail, he is remarkably entertaining and good-natured. If the man buys two, the smile increases. After he cuts loose from this one, he looks for another live wire, and this new victim also has the best horse; in fact, there are more "best horses" than a sober man could count.

If this booze-fighting turf writer cannot find anyone to buy, he will take the path again all by his lonesome and upon looking into the barroom, if he sees someone he knows, he will straighten out his shoulders, brush into the room fast and speak cordially to the one buying, but he does not stop, unless halted by those magic words, "What will you have?" He does not accept at once, but is edging nearer and nearer, until he is finally halted by the hard woodwork of the bar, but this is as far as he wanted to go. Then listen to the bull he shoots, as, for instance, "That little bay mare of yours is stepping some. I saw her step that last quarter today in 31 seconds; is she staked?" The man may say, "Why, my mare has not been out of the barn for a week," but this turf writer is not feazed a bit; he swallows his drink and says, "Where do you race next week?" and then slowly draws away. He realizes that he must entertain a number of suckers during the afternoon and cannot waste too much time on any one individual.

To be a real successful turf writer, you must early in your career adopt the use of the pronoun "I" in all your writings, as this impresses yourself with your own importance, as you well know that your private opinion on any horse or any subject goes a long way with the public, "not." The general opinion that horsemen and others have of the average turf writer is, that he is the friend of the man that is coming across, either with coin, booze or advertising, and if the owner, trainer or driver is airtight on these propositions, why, the turf writer has no time for him and passes him up by not mentioning his name. For that reason the use of "I" in his effusions shows an aggravated form of egotism that would speedily cause death, if it was a killable disease. Of course, when you use this "I," you are put down by some of the other turf writers as good, but these are the only ones you impress, and as they do not give you any part of your living, it is best to leave it out. Some papers will not stand for it.

If the average turf writer has a man lined up as a future beneficiary, he will use such expressions as "I was much impressed with a bay mare which Jack Jones had out this morning"; "That I looked at"; "I was handed a great surprise"; "I predict a great future," or "A trotting prodigy." All these expressions are good excuses for filling up space; on the face of them they show the egotism of the man, because the proportion of horses that are thus written about rarely becomes sensational, and when they do, it is printed as an owner's statement in a sale catalogue.

More horses have become failures, which turf writers have raved about in the above style, than have become prominent, so be conservative in your opinions and hand the bull in a milder form, not staking your reputation too much.

Sometime during your career write a short biography of your childhood days, as that makes a good filler. Tell them how you became a turf writer, even going back to the time when you grabbed a year-book instead of a nursing bottle and almost starved yourself to death chewing on its edges. A story like this interests the horsemen as much as the early history of the swipes working on their horse.

When sent to report a race meeting, without a badge, get very indignant because that individual at the gate with the alfalfa hanging from his chin refuses to let you through, and tell him who you are. He should know, however, because he has spent the other 51 weeks since the last fair on a backwoods farm. After you have paid your admission into the grounds always remain on the track; never go near the press box. You may have a fight or two with the policeman, who has orders to keep the track clear, but that makes no difference—you are the supreme being, and not he, or anyone that gave him his orders. If he insists on removing you and an official of the association supports him, you assert your importance and threaten to roast the association, as that will help to keep the 50,000 people in the grandstand from coming again next year, and may also induce the association not to pay its advertising bill for the current year. Ejection from this point of vantage means more work for you in hunting up your constituents, on whose volunteer pay roll you now are. If there is a betting shed on the track, hang around there, as you may be able to sell your friends some inside information that they do not know about, and maybe they will give you a ticket, if you are real good.

We nearly forgot to tell you to call everybody by their first names. Whether you ever met them or not, it sounds good and makes people think that you are well acquainted. Another thing, if a horseman friend of yours roasts the officials in the stand or the association giving the meeting, you join in with them, and even write about it, as such work calls for a general good feeling, even if the association is an advertiser. What need you care if you hurt them and your paper, as long as you get your own benefits. The paper you work for is paying your expenses so that you can enjoy yourself.

Another thing that you should remember, never take your wife to any of the race meetings with you, because you would never take a ham sandwich to a banquet and, therefore, why should you take her and spoil your pleasure? Your health, both present and future, will be much better with her at home minding the kids. It would, indeed, be embarrassing to have some one come up to you in the hotel and say, "Why, I thought your wife was a blonde," after you had been doing some introducing. Such an incident as this might spoil a good story.

There are a lot of other things we would like to tell, that would be a success to a turf journalist, but as there is "Honor among thieves," we would not like to show up the fine points of the business in cold type; then again, you must learn to be self-reliant and we will allow you to find these out for yourself.—W. H. Shields, Horseman.

TROTTING HOLDS ITS OWN WELL IN NEW ZEALAND.

As far as actual racing is concerned, the present season does not offer many more opportunities to owners in Canterbury, and the Easter meeting, to be held at Addington on Thursday and Saturday of this week, will bring the New Zealand Metropolitan Trotting Club's campaign for 1914-15 to a close. Judging by present indications this week's fixture should prove a very successful termination to a season that has been marked by some very high-class sport. From a revenue point of view, judged by the totalisator returns, the year's operations will not show such a handsome profit as that recorded for the season 1913-14, but there should still be a very substantial balance on the right side of the ledger. The club's first meeting of the present season was held in August, just after the outbreak of the present great war, and under these circumstances it was scarcely surprising to find that there was a drop in the totalisator investments, which amounted to £76,952, as compared with £80,469 in the previous season. The New Zealand Cup Meeting in November last also showed a decrease in the investments from £124,362 to £117,999 10s, but at neither of these fixtures was there any perceptible falling-off in the attendance, and the sport is very clearly maintaining its very strong position in the public favor. Last month the meeting held on February 13th attracted a very large attendance, and the figures for the day were £23,151, as compared with £19,349 10s, this being a remarkably good showing for what is admittedly the least important of the club's fixtures. Taking into consideration the present state of our national affairs, the club's officials may well feel satisfied with the results that have so far been achieved, and with an ordinary measure of success this week, there should be no necessity for them to call a halt in the policy of progress. Very shortly the executives will have to take into consideration the programme for next season, and we feel sure that they will recognize their responsibilities by making provision for the highest class of racing.—New Zealand Referee.

Gen. C. C. Watts returned from California Friday, and says the boys over there are getting ready for the big stakes. He says trotters are working around 2:08 and pacers close to 2:05. He thinks the Exposition races will be high class and that nothing short of a phenomenal horse will have a chance for the money. Several stables will ship east as soon as the June races are over. Lon McDonald has wintered well, and feels he has a chance as his horses are very satisfactory.—Horseman.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

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DOGS OF WAR IN EUROPEAN CONFLICT.

There is a popular impression that the European conflict is the first war of nations in which dogs have played such an important role. A writer in The Field points out that they were employed in war times centuries ago, and that there is evidence that the Egyptians made such use of dogs as long ago as 4000 B. C. In reviewing the part that dogs have played since the earliest time he says:

For centuries it has been recognized that dogs can be trained to be of the utmost value for military purposes, and it is certain that no metaphor was intended by Shakespeare when he made Antony exclaim, "Cry 'Havoc,' and let slip the dogs of war." Though dogs were little, if at all, used for military purposes in Elizabethan times, they were undoubtedly so employed by the Romans and other military powers of a bygone age. It is extremely likely that dogs, after becoming domesticated and brought into use for pastoral purposes, were soon adapted to both warfare and the chase. They were sometimes used as guards and videttes, and when they had their places on the battlefield they were usually protected by spiked collars or clad in coats of mail. The citadel of Corinth was guarded by fifty dogs placed outside the walls on the seashore, and it is stated that on one occasion before the garrison could shake off the effects of a night's debauch forty-nine of the brave hounds were killed by the besiegers.

As was related by a writer in The Field some years since, Soter escaped to communicate the news of the advancing foes, but he was in time to warn his masters. The Senate ordered a silver collar to be prepared for their canine savior, on which was engraved in Greek characters, "Soter, defender and preserver of Corinth." His slain companions were not forgotten, as a marble monument was erected in their honor and suitably inscribed. The Germans have paid particular attention to the training of their dogs, a fact which has not been lost sight of by English military authorities, and sentry dogs are now recognized as a source of strength. There is no reason why dogs trained to assist the soldiers in scouting duty should not be useful, as with their extremely delicate olfactory organs and acute hearing they would more speedily than their master detect the near presence of an enemy. They are more valuable still as a guard or companion to a sentry on outpost duty.

The ancients used dogs for both attack and defense, but today's war dog has to fulfill totally different duties—the ways of warfare being so different—as an agent of actual attack and defense his use is out of the question. There is evidence that dogs were employed in Egypt 4000 years B. C. Aneas mentions them as being used to carry dispatches in their collars, while both the Cymbrians and the Teutons had their battle dogs, and they undoubtedly inspired fear in the Roman legions. The Romans posted dogs on the fortifications to give the garrison timely warning of the approach of the enemy by barking, the Gauls had large packs of dogs clad in armor, and Attila, King of the Huns, used fierce hounds to guard his camps. In later days port-fires were placed on the dogs' backs to set fire to the enemy's camps. As a fact, most of the European nations have used dogs in warfare at one time or another. The French learned of their value from the Kabyle tribes of Tunis; the Austrians trained Dalmatians to scent out ambushes, though it was not till 1882 that this was done; while after the siege of Geoktepe the Russians trained dogs as a preventive to surprise. No nation, however, has paid so much attention to the subject as Germany, and on his return from the war base a few weeks since that good authority, Major Richardson, wrote a most interesting article to The Times, showing how valuable dogs are proving to be in the present campaign. "For many years past," he wrote, "the Germans have recognized the value that dogs were likely to be in battle for various uses, and have trained them as aids to their ambulance, and particularly as auxiliaries to their sentries and patrols. Besides these, they had large numbers of highly-trained police dogs, and at the outbreak of the war all these latter were also mobilized, and accompanied their masters to the battle fields, lines of communication, etc.

There are at present about 6,000 trained dogs helping the Germans on both fronts. In France before the war a good deal of attention had been given to training dogs for ambulance work, but the sentry dog idea was practically ignored. A few officers did their utmost to establish a training branch for this work, but the French war office gave them no encouragement. It has been found that the absence of such dogs is a distinct lack. Especially has this been so, I hear, at one of the big fortresses during the night attacks delivered by the Germans. The French therefore procured a few trained sentry dogs, and, after these had settled down and had become accustomed to the men, they were found to be of such service in giving warning of the approach of the enemy some time before the sentries are aware of the fact that orders have been given to procure as many dogs suitable for sentry work as can be obtained, and since the use of dogs in this particular region no night attacks of the Germans have been successful.

It is a pity that the value of these dogs has not been generally recognized by the French and English armies in peace time, as it must not be inferred that any dog (even one that proved itself to be a good ordinary watch dog) will make a good sentry dog. This idea is a common error. These dogs have to be of a special temperament, and have to be carefully selected, in the first place, and then carefully tested and trained. A dog that is of value in guarding things, such as its master's property, or at its kennel, may be useless away from this environment, in the fields, and with some one not its master.

When the story of the war comes to be written much must be said as to the part played by dogs. It has been seen that regimental dogs are not afraid to advance under fire, that the dogs of reservists have refused to leave their masters and have followed them to the front, and that several have been killed on the battlefield. A touching story is told of a spaniel that saved his master's life. At Aubervilliers a wounded Zouave was taken from a train, and on a surgeon major giving instructions for him to be removed to the American Hospital, the poor fellow begged that his dog might go with him. "He saved my life, Monsieur le Major. Let him go with me." The spaniel licked the hands of the wounded soldier as he spoke. "It is impossible, my poor fellow," said the surgeon. "I would like to comply with your request, but the hospital is not made for dogs." Such an order was regarded as final, and the manageress of the canteen at Aubervilliers relieved the wounded man's anxiety as to the future of his pet by undertaking to look after him. In bidding farewell to the spaniel, the Zouave told how his faithful companion had saved his life. A German shell had shattered the soldier's foot, wounded him in several parts of the body, and almost buried him under earth. The soldier lost consciousness, and would have died of suffocation but for the dog. Using his nose and paws the spaniel removed the earth, and when he had exhumed his master he licked his wounds and thus prevented gangrene from setting in. Then he began to howl. French ambulance men were attracted to the spot, and they carried the wounded soldier to the field hospital, where he was treated and then put in a train for Paris, the dog accompanying him. When the ambulance took the Zouave to the hospital everybody was sorry for the poor dog left behind. For three days he refused to touch the dainty food provided by the manageress of the canteen, and at last the woman decided to take the dog to his master. At the hospital she told how the spaniel had saved the owner's life. The story impressed the director of the hospital and he allowed the dog to join his master. It was a joyous meeting, and brought tears into the eyes of those who saw it. Since then the dog has never left the bedside, and his master is now looking forward to returning to the front. Could the dog give his opinion of the situation, there is not the least doubt that, in spite of all the attention paid to him at the hospital—for he is looked on as an honored guest—he would say that nothing could give him greater pleasure than to accompany his master when he returns to the base.

THE SEALYHAM TERRIER.

The Sealyham Terrier's rise to fame and popularity has been rapid and permanent. Previously to the Kennel Club show in October, 1910, the breed was comparatively unknown to the English exhibitor, and it fell to my privilege to be chiefly instrumental in introducing the Pembrokeshire production to the English public.

At the show in question I offered personally to guarantee several classes, provided the Kennel Club consented to their inclusion in the schedule. The ruling authority agreed to this course, and four classes were allocated to Sealyhams, and also, on my suggestion, Mr. H. Ridley was appointed to judge. The result was quite a decent entry, averaging, I think, six exhibits per class. In open dogs, Ch. Dandy Bach, which I had just sold to Lord Kensington, was placed first; Ch. Khisky Bach, then my property, came second; while Ch. St. Brides Demon, exhibited by Lord Kensington, was placed third. In open bitches, Ch. St. Brides Delight took premier honors, second going to Ch. Bess Bach, then owned by Mr. Charles Wynn-Griffith. It will thus be seen that the winners of that time must have been pretty good specimens, inasmuch as most of them subsequently acquired championship honors, and have continued their successful show-bench career down to the present day. This is more or less an interesting feature as showing that, notwithstanding the enormous amount of breeding that has since taken place, few individual good specimens have been produced. But there can be no question that the breed, as a whole, has vastly improved during the last four years, and the noticeable uniformity amongst the large numbers of Sealyhams which now appear at all the leading shows is evidence of much care and attention on the part of breeders.

The origin of the Sealyham is more or less wrapped in obscurity, but there are several features of interest which I think I am in a position to lay before readers of "Our Dogs," which will give an approximate idea of how the Sealyham was first evolved and came to be recognized as a distinct breed.

Capt. John Edwardes was an eccentric sporting gentleman of noble birth, and resided at Sealyham, an attractive country mansion situate between Haverford-west and Fishguard, and which is now in the occupation of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Higgon, the latter a well-known breeder and judge, and chairman of the Sealyham Terrier Club since its formation in January, 1908. The terrier is called after the residence of its founder.

Capt. Edwardes, as I have just stated, was a great sportsman, and he conceived the idea that the mongrel dog of sixty or more years ago which he was obliged to use in his numerous sporting excursions, was not quite the kind of animal for bolting the fox and otter, or digging out the badger, which he wished for. There seems little doubt that the terrier of that date was more or less a nondescript kind of creature, with no pretension to beauty or breeding, nor with the least claim to uniformity of type. It will therefore be apparent that to evolve a short-legged, smart, workmanlike terrier which, above all other considerations, must be dead game, was a problem not easy of solution, and only a man possessed of indomitable courage and tenacity would have persevered in his efforts to realize an ideal which repeated failures must sometimes have indicated was incapable of accomplishment. But Captain Edwardes, in his lonely country mansion, plodded on, and by careful selection and judicious breeding, eventually established a short-legged, rough-haired terrier capable of facing any vermin then prevalent in the county. At this period the polecat was fairly plentiful in the dense woods abounding in the vicinity of the captain's residence, and the old gent made it a sine qua non that no dog should be given lodging at Sealyham which would not dispose of a full-grown specimen of the putorius fœtidus; and anyone who has seen these denizens of the forest will at once realize that the standard of pluck fixed by the gallant captain was by no means insignificant.

His method of testing the young dogs, which took place when they were about a year old, was as follows: A live polecat was dragged across a field, and then enclosed in a small pit, roughly a couple of feet deep with an entrance about the size of an ordinary badger's hole. The quarry was secured with sufficient liberty to enable him to put up a fair and square fight. As the polecat is a notoriously odoriferous animal, the dog, which would previously have done plenty of ratting, usually experienced no difficulty in following the trail and arriving at the spot where the length of its stay in the world was to be decided by the character of the combat which then took place. If the dog "went in" and killed, all well and good; if he funked the encounter and minced about outside, and declined to tackle his quarry, his doom was sealed. But our old friend was not always wise in his estimate of the character of his dogs. One day a particularly good ratting dog turned craven, and refused to tackle the polecat. Every facility and encouragement was given, but without effect. The verdict was soon pronounced—the coward must die. The man who had walked the dog had become attached to the terrier, and begged hard that as he was such an excellent ratter, and so useful to him about the farm, he might be allowed to keep him. A reluctant consent was given, and before the dog was a year older he turned out one of the gamest terriers ever bred at Sealyham, and the old captain subsequently purchased him from the farmer. The dog lived to a ripe old age, and when he died was mourned as one of the best tykes that ever went to earth. There is nothing exceptional in this experience, and I have no doubt that many readers of this journal, like myself, could relate similar examples of a dog not really developing until he had reached two years of age or so.

To come to the present-day Sealyham it is necessary to jump several decades.

The standard of points drawn up, and subsequently adopted in a slightly amended form by the Sealyham Terrier Club at its first meeting in January, 1908, conveys, I think, a very fair and accurate description of the Sealyham Terrier.

It is often stated that there must be no resemblance to the fox terrier. I agree, but I don't agree with those breeders who prefer a Sealyham showing more resemblance to a clumber spaniel than a fox terrier. Of two evils I prefer the fox terrier type. But it is certainly not necessary to have either. I think the Sealyham should have a wider skull, shorter and wider jaw, broader chest, longer body, more profuse and harder coat, and, of course, very much shorter legs, than the fox terrier. When I add that larger ears are also permissible, I think I have covered the chief characteristics of the dog.

I am surprised to find in the standard of points issued by a new club, that "black markings are objectionable, even on head and ears, and a large black spot on the body should almost be a disqualification as showing fox terrier blood." Now, such rubbish should not be permitted to pass unchallenged. I agree that none of us care for body markings of any description, but to say that black body markings are

evidence of fox terrier blood shows an astonishing ignorance of the history of the Sealyham in particular and dogs in general.

My object in referring to this matter is to prevent novices from being misled by such nonsense, and they will no doubt be surprised to learn that I have bred scores of puppies by Huntsman and Peer Gynt with any amount of dark body markings, and I do not suppose anyone will dare dispute the statement that the Sealyham terrier of today owes more to these two dogs than to any other specimen, living or dead.

In conclusion, I do hope the novice will not be led away by the glamour of misleading descriptions. Let him be careful to consult a rational standard, and then endeavor to breed specimens as near to it as possible, and consign the fantastic fallacies of the newly-fledged theorists to the melting-pot of immaturity.—F. W. Lewis, in "Our Dogs."

OREGON FISH AND GAME LAW CHANGES.

In view of the fact that many California sportsmen hunt and fish every year in Oregon, the following statement by Chief Game Warden L. H. Darwin, concerning new and important features of the new Oregon fish and game statutes, will prove of interest:

The State game laws as they now stand should prove much more workable and satisfactory than they have in the past.

The last legislature passed a number of amendments to them. As the work of the body stands, with the vetoed section excluded, very few sportsmen object thereto.

A provision of the new law which should be highly acceptable to farmers and land owners is that requiring their consent before their holdings can be thrown into a game preserve. Admittedly it is going to be harder to create game preserves in the several counties of the State, for the law which permitted a man's land being thrown into one and him denied the privilege of shooting thereon was bitterly resented in many counties.

The new law also gives the Chief Game Warden and the Chief Deputy Game Warden the right to hire not more than two special deputy State game wardens on each side of the mountains and send them into another part of the State for the purpose of detecting violators.

It is believed that the new open seasons for the taking of both game and game fish are much more satisfactory than under the old law. The new law makes the trout and bass season both open on April 1. The trout season under the former law opened on May 1, and the bass season on July 15. While in some sections of the State the trout are spawning in April there is a saving clause in the new law which permits of the State Game Warden and the Deputy State Game Warden or the County Game Commissions closing any lake, stream or part thereof when it is deemed advisable to protect fish when they are spawning.

The new law permits the killing of three Chinese or English pheasants, Hungarian partridges, sage grouse or sharp-tailed grouse, or a mixed bag of the above named birds, in Kittitas county during a season.

It also makes the hunting week end at midnight on Saturday night, instead of at midnight on Wednesday, and increases the number of ducks, geese or brant one may have in his possession at one time from 20 to 30.

The same section that provided for the use of sneak boats also changed our State law to conform with the federal law in preventing shooting before sunrise and after sunset. In order to prevent the return of the sneak boat it was necessary to veto this section, and consequently our State law still reads that a man can shoot a half hour after sunset and a half hour before sunrise, but by doing this he violates the federal law, which makes the punishment much more severe, and there is less likelihood of a person attempting it.

A great majority of sportsmen will heartily approve of the governor's action in vetoing the attempt to restore the use of the sneak boat.

The seasons for game birds and game animals are so changed in a number of instances and in the varying sections of the State that it is necessary to print them in detail in order that they may be understood.

However, the new law gives permission to keep the flesh of game animals, game birds and game fish for a period following the close of the season, furnishing the County Game Commission a description thereof and informing them as to where the same is stored. Under the old law a man could not have any of these in his possession the day after the season closed.

Although the game bill makes no reference to it, it is a fact that hereafter the Fish Commissioner of the State will be Chief Game Warden, by virtue of his appointment as Fish Commissioner. This was accomplished by a provision in the new food fish law.

To my mind this makes greatly for the advancement of the game fish interests of this State.

Four out of every five persons who take out a fishing and hunting license make use of a rod rather than a gun. It would seem, therefore, that we owe a very large duty to the fisherman, as he furnishes four-fifths of our revenue.

Heretofore many of the county game wardens have sought to prevent sportsmen from acquiring a State hunting and fishing license, because of the fact that the county did not receive any portion of the $5, the entire amount going into the State game fund. The new law is amended so the county issuing a State license is given 20 per cent, or $1, which makes it better for them to sell a State license than get only 90 cents for a county license.

Had Governor Lister not vetoed that section of the new bill which would have prohibited the shipping of game into the State the game laws would have been practically impossible of enforcement. He did this, however, and by eliminating the other two sections with a veto, he left the bill as it will finally come to law in a condition that is very satisfactory to the great majority of the sportsmen of the State.

The economy of the situation is to take the eyed eggs and have them hatched as near as possible to their point of planting. Obviously with only five State trout hatcheries this would be impossible, but with our ability to make use of the State's salmon hatcheries it is very easy, in most instances. As a matter of fact, ever since I have been Fish Commissioner of the State we have used a number of the salmon hatcheries, for this could be done without in the least interfering with the salmon hatching operations.

The matter of transporting trout-fry any great distance is a serious problem, while eyed trout eggs can be sent to New York, or, for that matter, to Europe and under the methods which we employ would arrive in first-class condition. Thus it is if we wish to plant some Lake Chelan trout in the waters of Pacific county we simply send the eyed trout eggs to one of the two salmon hatcheries which are located in that county, where they are hatched out, and the planting is then rendered a comparatively simple process.

RAISING DROWNED BODIES.

[By Alfred Mathewson.]

A recent inquiry to my office relative to blasting for the recovery of the body of a drowned person, leads me to offer you further information in this connection.

About a year ago I was asked to blast in a stream with the view of recovering a body for which continual search had been made with grappling-hooks for more than ten hours.

I was just a little surprised to find that there are still some people who believe that a body will not "come up" until the gall-bladder bursts, and that blasting is done for this purpose to hasten its "coming up." The truth is that the specific gravity of a body is in no way affected by blasting; it will remain at the bottom until decomposition generates the gases that increase its buoyancy. Sometimes a body may be "brought up" by blasting as the result of its having settled in a muddy bottom, being held there after it is decomposed enough to float, and being washed loose by the currents caused by the explosion. Or it may have been caught on a snag and washed loose in the same way.

The washing loose of the held body after it is decomposed enough to float is one way by which blasting helps to recover bodies. Another is by washing off the mud that covers a body only a few hours in the water so that grappling-hooks will take hold, or a searcher may see it. I believe the latter was accomplished in the case at hand.

This drowning occurred in a fresh water stream, about 100 yards wide and 10 to 12 feet deep where the body was said to have gone down. There was a moderately swift current that would, presumably, carry a struggling, drowning person several yards down the stream before the body finally sank. And possibly this current was strong enough in the channel to carry a lifeless body onward to deposit it in an eddy or shallow anywhere below. Also, there were numerous snags on which it might have caught.

For the purpose of avoiding placing a charge where it might mutilate the body, we had every foot of the bottom thoroughly dragged and sounded for 10 or 15 yards around where we decided to make the blasts. We commenced just a few yards below where it was said the body went down, and placed, on the bottom, in mid-stream, two pounds of Du Pont straight nitro glycerine dynamite, by means of securing it to a pole at about two feet from an end that had been pointed. The pole was of a length to extend above the water when the pointed end was pushed firmly into the bottom. The detonator wires were previously fastened to the pole and extended to the top, where the wires from the blasting machine, brought over other poles set at intervals from the shore, were connected.

The blast seemed to have done what would be expected of a properly gauged charge: The water swelled against both shores, rolling up water-logged leaves, sticks, etc., and clouds of thick, muddy water. All this was promptly carried off by the current.

We proceeded down stream making similar blasts about 100 feet apart. After the sixth blast, a young man wading in shallow water, near the shore, about 150 feet below where the last blast was made, located the body.

Some persons who were present continue to attribute the finding of the body to the blasting; others doubt. One man said he had both waded and dragged over the spot just previous to blasting. My personal opinion is that the blasting washed off the mud and exposed the body, which, had it not been recovered when it was, would probably have settled deeper and possibly never have been found.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

CHANGES IN GAME AND FISH LAWS.

The deer hunting seasons in California have been materially altered by the legislature in the new fish and game district bill, creating four large game districts, already passed by both houses, and by a senate bill passed by the assembly and ready for Governor Johnson's signature. In the coming fall the open seasons for deer will be:

August 15 to October 15 in game district No. 1, which covers the eastern half of the San Joaquin and Sacramento valleys, the Sierra Nevada mountains and the counties north of Mendocino and Glenn counties. The Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers are the western boundary of district No. 1.

August 1 to September 15 in game districts No. 2 and No. 3, which run from the northern boundaries of Mendocino and Glenn counties down through the coast counties, the coast range and the western half of the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys to the northern boundary of Santa Barbara and Ventura counties.

September 1 to October 1 in game district No. 4, which includes all of southern California.

Other senate fish and game bills passed by the assembly establish the following changes:

Open season, wild ducks and geese, October 15 to Feb. 1. Open season valley quail and cottontail rabbit, November 1 to January 1. Open season mountain quail, grouse and sage hen, September 1 to December 1. Open season black bass, May 1 to December 21. Black bass limit is 26 fish a day and sale is forbidden.

Trout under 12 inches in length cannot be sold. Game birds and deer cannot be killed half an hour after sunset or half an hour before sunrise. Use of explosives to kill fish, or discharging of petroleum, acid, coal tar or deleterious substances into waters of state made a misdemeanor.

BEHOLD THE FISHERMAN.

He riseth up early in the morning
and disturbeth the whole household,
Mighty are his preparations.
He goeth forth full of hope—
And when the day is far spent
he returneth—
Smelling of strong drink,
And the truth is not in him.

FISH LINES.

Weather and atmospheric conditions were rather favorable for the opening of the Sierra trout season Saturday, May 1, but other things were against many limit catches. The storm of last week caused the streams to be muddy and as the result, disciples of Izaak Walton had a poor day of it generally.

Advices from all anglers are muddy streams and poor results. In the Feather river canyon some fairly good fishing is reported at the lower end, but this is bait fishing. All indications are that in a week or so the trout fishing will be good in the mountain rivers and creeks.

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Napa creek near the railroad drawbridge still invites a visit for the striped bass rodster. Sunday Louis Gotthelf's two largest fish scaled 16 and 8 pounds. Another 8-pounder was captured by "Chicken Cam."

Despite the rainy weather three fine bass, weighing respectively 24, 18 and 14 pounds, were caught near Point San Quentin. Several bass were taken near Black Point. A 7-pounder was the heaviest.

The Wingo sloughs are showing some activity also. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Urfer caught four large fish Sunday, and Adam Hackmier picked up a 14-pound striped beauty just below the Wingo drawbridge.

Along the San Pablo flats, off San Pablo, schools of small sized bass have been running and many fish have been caught during the pleasant weather a fortnight ago. It is about useless to try that shore during the prevalence of the north winds.

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An odd theory has been evolved explaining why bass hooks, used by night fishermen, slipped off the snells or leaders. It has been the custom of some of the striped bass fishermen to bait their hooks, drop them overboard and set the rod for a night session. Meanwhile the fisherman would turn in for a snooze or a game of cards. Time and again when a line was taken in the hook would be missing. Certain tackle dealers soon had the reputation of selling poorly tied bass hooks. The theory offered is this: Fish, it is well known, have extraordinary digestive powers. A bass having securely gorged the bullhead bait, and hooked with a No. 6 or 7-O hook, not being taken out of the water for some length of time, would naturally digest the bait, then the gastric juice would attack the shellac on the shank and dissolve it easily. Following which process the struggles of the fish would soon untwist or unloosen the thread wrapping when, presto! the leader would slip off and the poor fish would make its escape with the big hook sticking in its gullet. Most of the hooks used now are made up with an enameled and painted coating over the wrappings on the hook shank—a non-digestible compound, a scheme that works well and seems to bear out the first theory.

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Rock cod fishing off Point Bluff, at the eastern end of Raccoon straits, last Sunday was a picnic for a number of handliners. Big strings of these fish, many half-pounders, were brought over to the city.

At the Traps

Live Birds.—Wing shots at the California Wing Shooting Club's monthly shoot, May 2, grassed pigeons during a downpour of rain. The birds supplied were a strenuous lot of swift-winged cooers, for but two straight scores were shot in the regular club programme during the day's skirmish.

Ed L. Hoag shot into second place in the medal race from the 31 yard mark; he stopped every bird trapped. In the purse match he killed 11 out of 12 birds, losing his last one, a strong-flying straightaway dark bird. In two six-bird pool shoots he also scored straight—35 out of 36 birds for the day.

Barney Worthen scored the only straight in the purse match event at 12 birds. Hoag, Riley and Walsh cut up second money with 11 birds each. Walsh, who has been a member of the club for the past forty odd years, dropped 21 birds out of 30 with single shots. The winners in the six-bird pools were Hoag, Nauman, Haight and Riley. E. R. Cuthbert, Bert Gracier, Dr. G. J. Sweeney and J. F. Dodds of San Diego shot as guests of the club.

Swat Terrill still leads in the medal match, with two straights and a back score to shoot. He missed last Sunday morning's train for Sobrante, he was loaded down with a basket of fine trout he caught the day previously in Lake Lagunitas, the fish were intended for lunch at the shoot. Being impeded in that manner the train slipped away, leaving him on the platform just a few feet out of reach of the car steps. Ed Schultz shot up a back score, 11 out of 12. The scores for the day follow:

Forenoon medal race, 12 white flyers, distance handicap; high guns to win:

E. L. Hoag	31 yds.	1122 2222 2221—12
P. J. Walsh	28 "	1*21 1111 2221—11
B. H. Worthen	31 "	1212 1112 12*1—11
C. C. Nauman	33 "	0111 0111 2211—10
E. L. Schultz	32 "	2220 2201 2210— 9
**B. Gracier	30 "	2222 1222 0002— 9
**E. R. Cuthbert	30 "	0121 0022 1110— 8
**J. F. Dodds	30 "	0202 1110 0112— 8
T. D. Riley	28 "	2022 2220 1200— 8
J. Northcroft	27 "	2020 0201 2022— 7
C. A. Haight	20 "	022* 2110 2020— 7

Afternoon purse match, 12 white flyers, distance handicap; $50 added, three moneys; high guns.

B. H. Worthen	30 yds.	2121 1111 2211—12
P. J. Walsh	26 "	1211 1111 1220—11
T. D. Riley	29 "	2222 2022 2222—11
E. L. Hoag	29 "	2221 2122 2220—11
E. L. Schultz	30 "	1221 1102 1*12—10
E. R. Cuthbert	30 "	2220 1121 0220— 9
J. F. Dodds	30 "	2211 0212 2001— 9
J. Northcroft	28 "	0101 2120 1212— 9
C. C. Nauman	33 "	1001 2200 1121— 8
**Dr. G. J. Sweeney	30 "	.... ..11 1021— 5

Six bird pool shoot, 30 yards rise, high guns; three moneys:

Nauman	1 1 1 1 1 1—6
Riley	2 1 2 2 2 2—6
Sweeney	1 2 1 1 2 1—6
Haight	1 1 2 2 1 1—6
Hoag	2 1 2 2 2 2—6
Dodds	2 2 2 2 1 1—6
Worthen	1 1 2 2 0 1—6
Walsh	1 1 2 1 2 0—5
Cuthbert	2 2 0 1 2 1—5
§Northcroft	1 0 0 0 0 2—2

Six bird pool shoot, 30 yards rise, high guns; one money:

Hoag	2 2 2 1 1 1—6
Worthen	1 1 1 0 2 2—5
Nauman	2 1 1 0 2 2—5
§Dodds	2 1 1 0 2 2—5
Walsh	1 1 0 0 0 2—3
§Sweeney	0 0 0 0 1 2—2

**Guest. *Dead out of bounds. §Birds only.

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He Is Still At It.—Fred Gilbert has been shooting exceptionally well since leaving Wilmington after the "Fred Gilbert 20th Anniversary Shoot" in March. Following is a record of his work which is very exceptional indeed, a record which will be interesting to a great many of our readers:

April 2, Albert City, Iowa, 145x150; April 4, Grand Junction, Iowa, 193x200; April 11, Des Moines, Iowa, 92x100; April 13, Adell, Iowa, 145x150; April 15, Spencer, Iowa, 195x200; April 18, Grand Mound, Iowa, 196x200, April 20, Ames, Iowa, 144x150; April 21, Oskaloosa, Iowa, 98x100; April 22, Centerville, Iowa, 146x150; 1354x1400—96.71%.

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Tacoma Trigger Pullers.—The Tacoma Gun Club recently entertained visiting shooters from that city, and also from Seattle and Sumner, a total of fifty guns on the firing line. The weather was ideal for trapshooting. There were 32 shooters from Tacoma, 12 from Sumner, while 6 represented Seattle. Many of the shooters had their wives and families with them. It was an invitation shoot, writes Secretary Carl Coon.

Al Riehl made the long run of the day, breaking 74 straight, scoring a win on the watch fob and also on the Dave Bales cup.

The ladies served a lunch that was fit for a king.

The scores made follow, at 100 targets, the Tacoma shooters being given an added target handicap: A. Riehl, 98; J. McAleer, 17 birds, 97; F. Riehl,* 97; J. A. Dague, 96; J. C. Jensen, 12—95; L. Raillinger, 4—95; V. Aubry, 12—95; D. H. Bales, 26—95; E. W. Cooper, 95; H. A. Scofield, 3—94; J. Cooper 4—94; F. Campbell, 20—94; G. W. Turnbull, 14—94; V. V. Eisenbeis, 4—93; F. L. Baker, 30—93; C. Coon, 2—93; A. Barlow, 3—92; C. R. Werner, 24—92; E. E. Young, 3—92; H. A. Sullivan, 3—91; G. H. Purdy, 8—91; A. Z. Smith, 8—90; H. King, 10—90; B. B. Eagen, 89; F. L. Griffin, 10—84; H. Sumner, 82; J. B. Lake, 71; L. Riehl, 66; L. S. Mellinger, 24—62; Wm. Knoble, 54; E. Emmerick, 87; F. W. Kelly, 82; H. R. Ludlow, 79; J. L. Messick, 78; H. Williams, 77; D. L. Cleveland, 76; G. E. Young, 75; J. A. Johnson, 71; W. Hummon, 67; F. J. Carter, 60; J. C. Riddell, 59; J. Bounds, 51; J. S. Ruppe, 95; J. McKilvey, 94; F. Landwehr, 90; G. Hambright,* 89; W. B. Taft, 78; R. W. Kinzer, 69; W. F. Maupin, 66x75, H. B. Litz 23x25.

Double targets, 12 pairs: Dague 22, E. W. Cooper 21, Johnson 10.

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Orange Whiffs.—A lively pipestem shoot of Los Angeles Gun Club members took place at Venice April 18, when the "20 gauge shotgun championship of Los Angeles" match came off. O. Evans broke 40 out of 50 at 16 yards rise, and won a leg on the trophy. The scores follow:

20-gauge shotgun championship of Los Angeles:

O. Evans, 16 yards, shot at 50, broke 40; S. R. Smith, 17—50—39; W. H. Wilshire, 16—50—38; H. Pfirrmann, 17—50—38; S. A. Bruner, 16—50—38; R. H. Bungay, 18—50—37; P. E. Peterson, 16—50—37; H. A. Hoyt, 16—50—36; F. A. Johnson, 16—50—34; L. M. Packard, 17—50—26; Clement, 16—50—25; B. G. Adams, 16—50—24; McKeigan, 16—50—16.

Practice shoot:

F. H. Nichols, shot at 200, broke 163; F. A. Johnson 200—148, H. T. Brown 125—94, M. T. Tungate 125—85, C. F. Nichols 125—82; C. E. Groat, 100—70; S. C. Miller, 100—68, H. A. Hoyt, 75—60, R. H. Bungay 75—56, T. B. Sloan 75—56, H. P. Densel 75—55, Dr. S. B. Friend 75—53, H. Pfirrmann 50—47, S. A. Bruner 50—44, Mrs. C. E. Groat 50—41, S. R. Smith 50—39, P. E. Peterson 50—38, C. W. Clement 50—35, M. D. Towne 50—31, Mrs. Johnson 50—30, G. B. Adams 50—23, E. H. Kerri 25—23, L. M. Trapp 25—20, Dr. Packard 50—17, A. McKeigan 50—17, F. Teeple, Jr. 25—16, W. H. Wilshire 25—16.

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Southern Sand Dune Notes.—Pastime Gun Club shooters put up some good shooting recently at the San Diego traps. Foster Couts made the corking fine score of 99 out of 100, L. Couts snuffed out 98 and Ed Mitchell trailed after with 97. Nine out of 15 shooters shot 90% or better.

F. Couts propped a leg on the Dodds' trophy, the third event, after shooting off one tie with Ervast and two with Mitchell, finally winning out, 25 to 24. The scores follow:

Birds—					
	25	25	25	25	100
F. Couts	24	25	25	25	99
L. Couts	25	24	25	24	98
E. L. Mitchell	23	25	25	24	97
Merrill	23	22	25	24	94
Ervast	24	25	23	22	94
Kelly	25	24	21	24	94
A. Julian	25	24	21	23	93
Barber	23	23	22	24	92
Ecker	21	22	24	23	90
C. Julian	23	20	23	22	88
Parker	19	22	21	20	82
Walsh	18	21	20	..	95
Dunn	17	21	18	..	95
Andrews	17	21	15	..	53
Cameron	22	20	..	..	42
Sampell	18	20	..	..	38
Cliff	19	19	..	..	38
C. D. Hagerman	14	18	..	..	32
Millison	18	20	..	..	38
Jones	21	..	..	..	21

Previous week's scores:

Lee Couts	100	94	Burnham	50	37
Kelley	100	89	Gillilan	50	37
Barber	100	89	McAuliffe	50	35
Walsh	100	87	Mordhurst	50	33
Parker	100	81	Berger	50	25
Thompson	100	71	Cole	25	21
"Ballistite"	75	55	Andrews	25	14
Drummond	50	38	Millison	25	10

Birds—					
	25	25	25	25	100
McMurray	23	24	24	25	96
Merrill	23	23	24	24	94
Barber	22	23	22	25	92
Ervast	23	23	23	22	91
Lee Couts	21	24	22	23	90
Kid Julian	22	23	..	..	45
Drummond	21	23	..	..	44
Andrews	22	..	..	..	22
Parker	21	24	24	16	85
C. Julian	20	20	23	..	63
Grier	22	21	19	..	62
Cameron	20	21	20	..	61
Millison	20	..	..	19	39
Sample	20	..	16	..	36
Gottesburen	..	16	..	..	16

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May Blossom Smoke—Some exceptionally good shooting, considering the trying conditions which the marksmen had to face, featured the trapshooting tournament at Saratoga a week ago. A bad cross-wind was blowing and the traps installed by Ray Hogg had as mystifying a delivery as Christy Mathewson at his best, coupled with a deceptive change of pace. As a result the shotgun bugs could rarely judge from one shot just where to place the next.

O. N. Ford led in all three events, winning the 150-bird event from J. T. Dodds by a margin of 5 targets. He was tied by Ray Hogg of Saratoga in the 50-bird handicap, while Dr. A. M. Barker was but three breaks behind him in the 24-pair shoot. Dr. Barker's fast pointing and shooting in the doubles attracted considerable interest in the gallery.

A summary of scores follows:

150-bird race—O. N. Ford, San Jose, 141; Mrs. Ada Schilling, San Jose, 131; W. H. Price, San Francisco, 73 (out of 100); J. T. Dodds, San Diego, 136; A. Stadfeldt, San Francisco, 65 (out of 100); Dr. A. M. Barker, San Jose, 131; C. H. Nash, San Jose, 136 Ray Hogg, Saratoga, 126 Clem Arques, San Jose, 110; George H. Anderson, San Jose, 130; J. Ballinger, Campbell, 30 (out of 50); P. Sage, Saratoga, 27 (out of 50).

50-bird handicap—O. N. Ford 50, Ray Hogg 50, Dodd 49, Nash 49, Arques 49, Mrs. Ada Schilling 46, Bollinger 42.

Doubles, 24 pair—O. N. Ford 39, Mrs. Ada Schilling 29, Dr. A. M. Barker 36, Nash 33, Anderson 32, Hogg 28, Dodds 24, Arques 24, Sage 22.

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Tom Marshall Now a Scribe.—Trapshooting is creating more interest and gaining new friends every day. This advance is particularly noticeable in the newspaper field. The more enterprising newspapers have men to cover this sport especially. Just recently Tom A. Marshall was engaged to write articles on this sport for all the Hearst newspapers. Tom's myriads of shooter friends will certainly study his dope and read his reminiscences with great interest.

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Announcement of Removal.—The Remington Arms-Union Metallic Cartridge Company announces that on May 1, 1915, with the purpose of increasing its accommodations, it removed its New York offices to the Woolworth Building, 233 Broadway, 26th floor.

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Pajaro Valley Birds.—The shoot and barbecue of the Rodeo Gun Club at Salinas, May 2, was attended by a large crowd, about 50 participating in the trap arguments. Those present enjoyed a royal outing.

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Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

May 5—Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n Tournament, A. R. Bain, Secretary, Springville, Utah.

May 14—Pueblo Gun Club, F. S. Rainey, President, Pueblo, Colo.

May 18, 19—Washington State Tournament, under the auspices of the Seattle Trap Shooters Ass'n, Hugh Fleming, Secretary, Seattle Wash.

May 26, 27—Delta County Gun Club, Nick Powell and R. A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

May 29, 30—Utah State Tournament, under the auspices of the Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n, A. R. Bain, Secretary, Salt Lake City.

May 29, 30, 31—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary, San Jose.

June 3, 4, 5—Annual Tournament of Rocky Mountain Interstate Sportsmen's Association, under auspices of Mile High Gun Club, Wm. M. Bowman, Secretary, Denver, Colo.

June 7, 8, 9—Sportsmen's Ass'n of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Ore.

TRADE NOTES.

Winchester Wins.

L. Rayburn, the recent winner of the Oregon State Trapshooters' championship and the representative of the State to the Grand American Handicap at Chicago this summer, started trapshooting three years ago. One year after learning the game he went from his home in La Grande to the Idaho State shoot at Boise and ranked as high man, with 486 out of a possible 500 birds.

Two years ago he ranged as third high amateur at the Seattle shoot, competing against the amateurs of the Coast. In the Pacific Coast Handicap last year he ranged as third high amateur. Three weeks ago Mr. Rayburn was awarded the Imperial Diamond Trophy for making the most wins for a period of six months shooting.

Mr. Rayburn states that he has had his mind made up to win the Oregon State Championship for a year, and when he went to the traps his nerve was as cool as could be. He is expecting to take some honors on his trip East to represent the State shooters. If he has as good a run as he had when he made the 98 out of 100 that gave him the championship, he will without a doubt bring the championship of the United States back to Oregon.

Mr. Rayburn always shoots a Winchester Repeating Shotgun, loaded with Winchester Factory Loaded "Repeater" shells—"the kind the champions use."

At Spokane, Washington, on April 25, Mr. A. W. Woodworth with a model 1912 Winchester Repeating Shotgun and Winchester Factory Loaded "Repeater" shells, won high general average by breaking 98 out of 100.

Peters Points.

At the tournament at Pomeroy, Wash., April 18, Lee Matlock and Jim Spence tied for the gold watch trophy, 91x100; Matlock won in the shoot-off. W. J. Houser and Jones, shooting Peters shells, tied for second prize, 90x100. Houser won, shooting Peters. Jim Spence made the long run of the shoot, using Peters. Gus Peret, the professional, was high over all, with no handicap, breaking 92x100. Each of the gentlemen mentioned above used Peters Loads, the kind with "steel where steel belongs."

High general average at the Newman, Cal., registered shoot, was won by Mr. Harry Ogilvie of Lindsay, Cal., score 382x400. Mr. L. S. Hawxhurst was third professional, 369x400, both using Peters Loads.

At Twin Bridge, Mont., April 11, high amateur average was won by Mr. Otto Schultz, 110x125, and high professional average by Mr. C. L. Flannigan, 120x125, both using Peters "steel where steel belongs" shells.

Rem-UMC Notes.

Berryville, Va., was the scene of an interesting shoot April 8. A. M. Shepherd, Roanoke, and B. B. Browning, Martinsburg, tied for first place. In the shoot-off Shepherd, shooting Nitro Club shells, won with the good score of 10 straight. The Shenandoah team, all shooting Nitro Club shells, won the cup. W. W. Wade was the high gun on the winners team.

Of the 29 enthusiasts who shot at the Philadelphia Shooting Academy on April 4, the three winners, S. H. Crothers and R. G. Fell, both of Philadelphia, and W. H. Kling of Camden, N. J., all used Nitro Club shells. Their scores were 84x100, 83x100, and 82x100, respectively.

THE FARM

MEXICAN FIBER INDISPENSABLE FOR THE COUNTRY'S HARVEST.

A serious calamity recently threatened the agricultural industry because of the disturbance in Yucatan and the announced blockade of the port of Progreso by Gen. Carranza. The harvesting of practically all grains with modern machinery was involved. If the port of Progreso had been closed it would have been impossible to secure the sisal fiber used in the manufacture of binder twine. It was urgent that this fiber be secured immediately and come forward in large quantities by the first of April, otherwise the factories could not have manufactured it in time in sufficient volume for the use of the farmers in harvesting this season's crop. It would have been necessary to harvest by hand, and to have harvested a large part of the grain in this way would have been impossible. The matter was so serious that the President and the Secretary of State, on representations from the Department of Agriculture and the Department of Commerce, took the matter promptly in hand. At the request of the President, Gen. Carranza abandoned the blockade of the port of Progreso.

In normal years about 200,000,000 pounds of binder twine are required for harvesting the grain, corn, and flax crops. From two-thirds to three-fourths of this is made from henequen (sisal) fiber, practically all of which is produced in Yucatan and exported from Progreso. This year the demand for twine is certain to be greater than ever. Last year's wheat crop was the largest the country has ever produced; this year's is expected to be still larger. Nine hundred million bushels is the estimate if normal conditions prevail from now to harvest. It is probable that the production of the other grains, especially of oats, will also be increased, and the other crops, the sorghums and corn, will be at least the equal of normal years.

The disturbances in Mexico have already caused an appreciable shortage in the stock of fiber now in this country. Between January 1 and February 28, 67,489 bales of 350 pounds each were brought in as compared with 156,659 bales in the same period last year and 111,654 in 1913. If further supplies had been permitted to be cut off the lack of twine would have resulted in the loss of a very large portion of the crops in the very year when they are most needed. In commenting upon the situation the Secretary of Agriculture said that the situation was vastly more serious than it was in 1912, when a threatened shortage of twine resulted in a sharp rise in price from 7 to 12 cents a pound. Then it was a matter of price; if Progreso were to be closed, this year it would be a matter of actual scarcity which would result in the waste of a great part of the crops.

SORE SHOULDERS—IT IS ALL IN THE COLLAR.

It is of the utmost importance that the collar fit the horse, and each horse should have his own collar, just as much as each workman on the farm has his own coat. Where colts are to be broken in to spring work this spring, it is good practice to take them to a harnessmaker and have them measured and a collar made especially for them, no other horse to be allowed to wear that collar. As time goes on and the work becomes steadier and harder, the colt will likely lose in flesh, and it will be necessary to adjust the collar in order to keep it fitting snugly, with just room enough at the bottom to insert the fingers between the collar and the neck or windpipe of the horse when he carries his head in the position at which he works. Avoid the use of sweat pads where possible, but when a colt or other horse has failed so much, due to heavy work, that the collar is altogether too large for him, it may become imperative. Some prefer a cloth-faced collar, others a leather-faced. We believe that the leather-faced collar is more easily kept clean than the cloth. Some good farmers claim that it is almost necessary that pads be worn with the leather-faced collar. Never buy a cheap collar. Fifty cents saved at the time of purchase may mean dollars of loss with sore shoulders and lost time when the animal does heavy work. Avoid the short-strawed collars, which are likely to become lumpy and injurious to shoulders of any horse which may be called upon to wear them.

Some recommend soaking the new collar over night in water to make it soft and put it in a condition to take the shape of the horse's neck and shoulders. This we have never found necessary, and most harnessmakers condemn the practice. There is a danger, where collars are soaked, that they go badly out of shape, and may be practically ruined. We would much rather fit the collar well to the horse, and buckle the hames as tightly as possible ,and take a chance on the results. If the collar fits properly and the horse's shoulders get the proper attention as to cleaning, occasional cooling and rubbing off in the fields, and washing off if necessary at night, there should be little trouble with sore shoulders where the horse is not overworked or overheated.—Farmer's Advocate.

RATION FOR A STALLION.

Nothing is better than good oats for the main ration of a stallion, but this should be varied by occasionally feeding corn or barley. Horses, like all other live stock, relish a change, which is conducive to health. Wheat bran is an invaluable adjunct because it is the cheapest, safest and best regulator for the bowels. At the same time it provides in large quantities one of the most important elements of nutrition.

No specific direction as to the amount to give daily can be given. The safest rule is to feed three times daily and with as much regularity as possible. Where a stallion is a considerable time on the road making a steady route it is essential to plan the trip so that he can be fed regularly. The quantity of feed will depend somewhat on the exercise and the drain on his system during the season.

Keep the stallion in good flesh. Never feed more than will be promptly eaten up clean. If any food should be left in the trough it should at once be removed and the next time less given. Feed so as not to overload the horse with fat. In addition to the green corn feed all the sweet hay the horse will clean up. Under no condition give hay that is dusty or moldy.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES AT THE P.-P. I. E.

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Sire of CONTENTION B. (2) 2:24¼, (3) 2:08¼, the latter mark a world's record when made, and but one-quarter of a second removed from present record for three-year-old pacing geldings. Public trial (3) 2:07¼. Also sire of

Chango p. (3).....2:12¼ De Ora (3) 2:17
2-yr.-old record 2:13½. 2-yr.-old record 2:27¼.
Trial (3) .....2:09 Gold Lily p. (2)....2:24½

Patrick de Oro p (3)2:22¼, trial (3) 2:08¼, ½-mi. track

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Johnny Dugan p (3)2:16 Nicola B. (2).....2:23½
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The Lark (3).....2:18½ May Marian p (3)..2:24¼
Carl (2) .....2:19¾ Carlrich p (2) 2:24½
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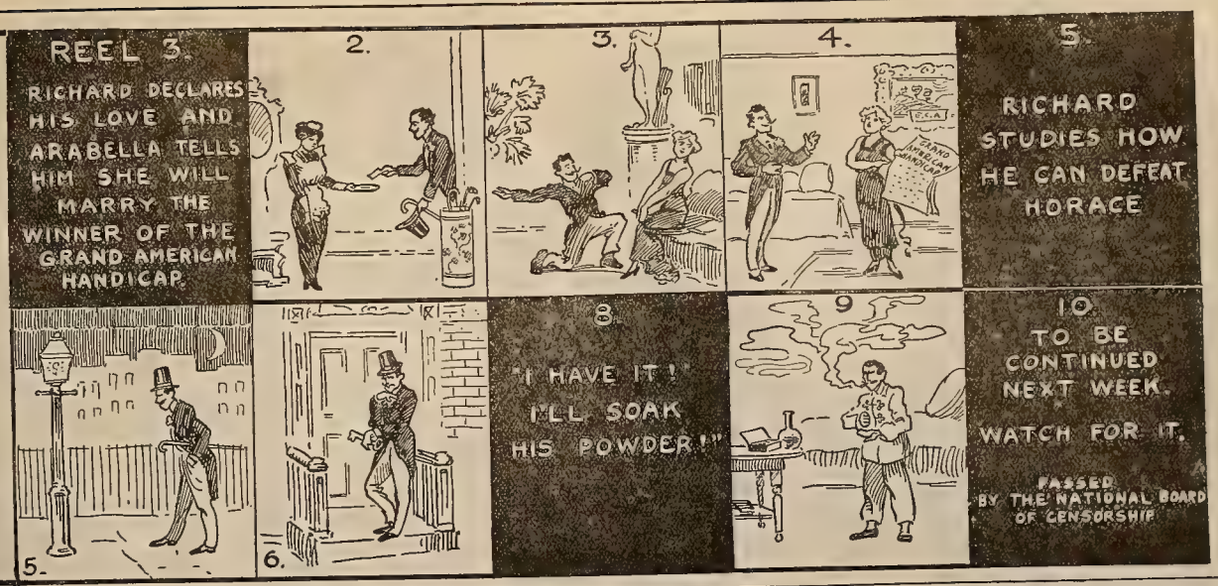
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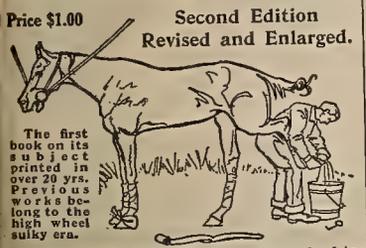
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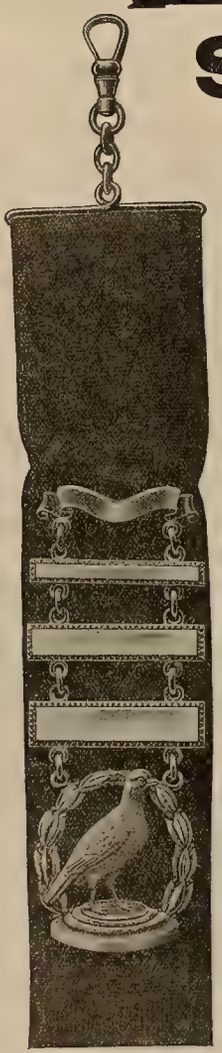


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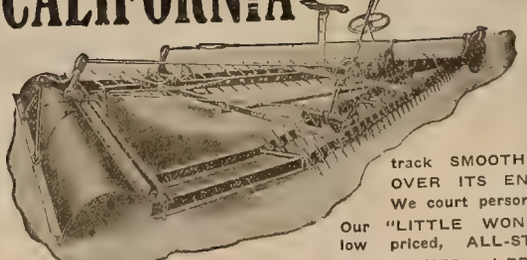
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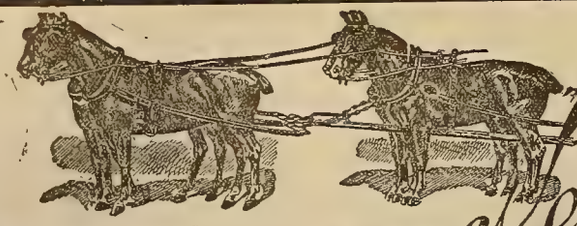
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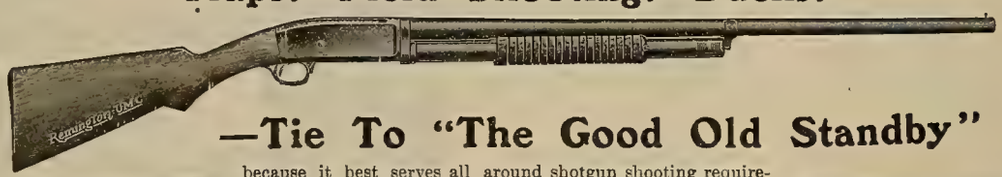
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EXPRESSIVE MAC 2:25½.....J. H. Nelson, Selma
JIM LOGAN 2:01¾.....J. Elmo Montgomery, Woodland
KINNEY DE LOPEZ 2:23.....Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet
ONWARD McGREGOR (3) 2:23¼..B. Webster, Pleasanton
PETER McKLYO (3) 2:12½.....Jas. Thompson, San Jose
PRINCE ANSEL (2) 2:20½.....Harry Dowling, Woodland
ROBERT BINGEN 2:11¼.....Harry Dowling, Woodland
THE PROOF (2) 2:29¾....Keefer & Spencer, Pleasanton
WILBUR LOU (3) 2:10¼.....Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet

Sweet Marie 2:02, Bob Smith's old homestake trotter, has foaled a bay colt to the cover of Bonington (4) 2:06½ down at Hillanddale Farm, New York.

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Please note a change of dates in the North Pacific Circuit—make it September 13 for Walla Walla and September 20 for the Washington State Fair at North Yakima.

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Columbus has had a relapse—the Hoster Columbus stake remains for 2:14 trotters and Hotel Hartman stake for 2:13 pacers. The faster classes are accommodated, however.

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W. E. Foster, formerly of Victoria, B. C., is now located at Marysville and the northwestern reports label him as a "good scout," personally, and a right good trainer, technically.

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The Petaluma Driving Club opens the season tomorrow with a matinee at which some nice rewards are in store for the winners, and a good crowd and a fine afternoon's sport are expected.

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F. W. Ready and Dr. Fred Bonine of Niles, Mich., have purchased of Stoughton Fletcher of Indianapolis the pacer King Couchman 2:02¾, last year's leading money winner among the sidewheelers. He will remain in Dick McMahon's stable.

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Walter Cox was defeated in his first race of the season. At Dover, N. H., April 22, Guy Hurst, driven by Arthur Morrison, defeated Benara, driven by Mr. Cox. The race took place on Fast Day, but evidently Walter's mount wasn't fast enough.—Horseman.

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The Chicago sale, with a number of California horses among the consignments, was held this week, beginning Tuesday afternoon. The Californians were among the last horses to be sold and we have no report on prices prior to the closing of our forms.

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"Stake Horse," care of this office, wants a starter for the 2:10 trot at the June meeting at the exposition, having decided that his own candidate, one of the original entries, will not "do." Someone with a real good trotter can make some money.

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The former California trotter Kid Wilkes 2:09¼ by Stanton Wilkes 2:10¼, out of the running bred mare Romeria by Balboa, has found a home clear across the continent from his birthplace, being at present a member of the Kingsley stable at Combination Park, Medford, Mass.

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J. E. ("Farmer") Strain of Marysville, who bred and raced the fast pacer Maurice S. 2:06, has another good King S. pacer that he is educating at the Marysville track, the seven-year-old mare Lucia S. She has as much, or more, speed as the other pacer of the same line, as she showed miles last year over the home course in 2:08½.

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Tom Gahagan, one of the best known of the trotting turf correspondents, arrived in the city Wednesday evening and will remain in this vicinity until after the June meeting, covering the local situation in the interest of a couple of the eastern horse journals and a number of dailies En route he spent a few days at Los Angeles, and reports the balance of the winter colony remaining there as progressing famously.

Dr. Burns Jr., according to recent reports from Los Angeles, has broken down entirely—two legs on the bum, acts bad, don't eat good, hits his knees, his back has gone down on him and they have even trimmed out his tail to keep it from toppling him over backwards while he is weak. Sunday—last Sunday—2:08, then 2:07⅛, then 2:05½, with the last half of the latter mile in 1:01! Looks like they might get him ready yet.

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Adverse weather conditions and the resultant shortage of work for the horses in training caused the postponement of the meeting at Woodland scheduled for today, and the opening matinee of the San Francisco-California Driving Club which was to have taken place tomorrow. The Woodland folks will pull off their races next Saturday, and the fun drivers will open their season the following day at the P.-P. I. E. track.

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Fred Ward decided that the company at the exposition meeting would be a little warm for him, and shipped out from Los Angeles the middle of the week for West Liberty, Iowa, to prepare to join in the fun down the Cedar Valley Circuit with the other Californians who shipped there some weeks ago. Fred's stable ought to grab a bit of coin down there in the central west as he took down four good ones—Dr. Wayo 2:12¼, Great Northern 2:12½, El Bel Maden (3) 2:25½, and the big Zolock pacer McVerde. Here's luck!

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Accounts from Lexington continue to be highly complimentary to the Prince Ansel yearlings in Hunter Moody's stable, all of which have gone quarters in :40 or better. Anselot, the brother to Prince Lot and Lottie Ansel, has manipulated that distance in :38, while Anselila, the Ila Moko filly that was so pleasing in Walter Maben's hands, has trotted a quarter in :35½, losing a shoe in the course of the performance but going on as serenely as ever. This is about the fastest quarter ever traveled at Lexington by a yearling at this season, and the lass is hailed as a coming champ.

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Dr. Samuel F. Spohn, who in his home town of Goshen, Indiana, answers "present" whenever anyone sends in a call for "his honor, the mayor," was among the visitors in the city this week, making the trip to the exposition as the climax of an enjoyable sojourn of several weeks' duration in the Golden State. Some years ago Dr. Spohn and the elder Joseph H. Lesh put Goshen on the map as the home of the old reliable "Spohn's Compound" and Online 2:04, a pair that made good in the very best way. Dr. Spohn departed for the east the latter part of this week, well pleased both with California and her expositions.

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The owner of the Knight of Strathmore, which we take to be a running horse, has but one rule to win in a race: "I do not give a damn," he says, "whether my horse starts with the bunch or sticks with the bunch when it starts. I instruct my driver to do one thing, and that is to put the Knight's nose under the wire first—to come in ahead at the home stretch."—Field and Farm. [Field and Farm can take Knight of Strathmore to be a runner if it so desires, or perhaps there is one of that name, but the "rule" set forth herewith "sounds to us" a whole lot like it might be a portion of the racing philosophy of George Bleiler of Monroe, Wisconsin. At any rate Sam Hawley did a fair job of obeying just such a rule behind Knight of Strathmore 2:03¾ last season, profiting thereby to the extent of about six thousand bucks.]

$9,000 AT DENVER.

Western horsemen will hear with pleasure that Denver announces a three-day meeting at Overland Park on June 30, July 1 and 2, a total of nine thousand dollars being hung up for the three days' sport. For trotters the classes are 2:05, 2:12 and 2:20 for purses of $2,000, $1,500 and $1,000 respectively, and the sidewheelers have $1,500 for the free-for-allers, $2,000 for the 2:07 class, and $1,000 for those eligible to the 2:20 class. Entrance fee is only three per cent and Secretary Talbott has been most generous in allowing double entry on a single payment save in cases where both horses start, or a horse starts in two races. Entries close June first, and horsemen eastward bound will find it convenient and profitable to make entry and "drop off" there en route. Full conditions appear elsewhere in this journal, and entry blanks may be secured from this office.

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THE FAMILY OF EXPRESSIVE (3) 2:12½.

Of the older generation of living brood mares who have founded a family of their own, there are but few, if any, who can safely lay claim to higher rank than the famous matron of California lineage, Expressive (3) 2:12½, now the property of Hillanddale Farm, Mamaroneck, New York, for she has fulfilled all these requirements of greatness—a trotter in her own right, the dam of trotters, the dam of speed-siring sons and the dam of speed producing daughters.

Expressive, bred at Palo Alto and foaled there almost a quarter of a century ago, had for a foundation for her greatness these two prime requisites, a good sire and a good dam, she being a daughter of Electioneer and the famous thoroughbred mare Esther by Express. Four trotters own Esther as their dam, two of her sons became sires, and seven daughters gave birth to eighteen standard performers, but one a pacer, and three of them trotters in the 2:10 list.

Expressive's education was taken in the Hickok school for trotters, and in 1893 she made her first trip across the mountains, making five starts that season and always being in the money, racing in a number of events against the other speedy California lass in Monroe Salisbury's stable, Director's Flower (2) 2:20. In 1894 Hickok again took her east and in eighteen starts, from Denver to New York, she was but once unplaced and ten times winner. In the races she failed to win she was generally a heat-winning contender, and secured her record at Terre Haute in a class race against aged trotters. It was a wonderful campaign for a three-year-old filly, and it is an eloquent testimonial to her staying qualities and recuperative powers to note that in three instances in which she made two starts in one week and was defeated in the first one, she "came back" by trouncing practically the same field, or at least a number of the same starters, in faster time later in the week.

Retired to the brood mare ranks at Palo Alto she bore her first foal in 1897, the brown horse Exioneer by Boodle, who was to become in time a speed sire. Her next foal to live came three years later to the cover of McKinney and was later to become known to fame as Expressive Mac, trotter and speed sire, originally christened Alta Vista, the subsequent change becoming necessary for registration purposes, Alta Vista having been claimed some years previously for the Kentucky-bred son of Guy Wilkes and Amaryllis by Director. Before leaving the Golden Slope she produced also to the cover of Monbells 2:20¾ the trotter Esther Bells 2:08¼, as well as Excella, the dam of the two trotting mares now owned by Messrs. Adolph Ottinger and George J. Giannini of this city, Agnes Carter (2) 2:20 and Ella M. R. (2) 2:16¾, while from a mating with Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ she gave birth to the double producer Beautiful Bird (dam of Alto Express 2:22¼ and Beautiful Morn 2:25), at present one of the most prized possessions of H. S. Hogoboom of Woodland, whose futurity winner Little Express (2) 2:20, is of the generation farthest removed from the matron who heads the line.

Purchased by Hillanddale Farm and mated with Bellini 2:13½ she has given further proof of her prolificacy by giving birth to four trotters, Elsa Bellini 2:25¾, John Bellini (3) 2:28¾, Evan Bellini (3) 2:30, and the great colt trotter and rising young speed sire Atlantic Express (3) 2:08¼, sire of three two-year-olds in standard time.

The greatest agent for the perpetuation of the family name remaining in California (though much may be expected in the future from other sources left to us in the younger mares mentioned above) is the stallion Expressive Mac 2:25½, permanently established in service at the ranch of J. H. Nelson near Selma, and rapidly rising in spite of the limitations of environment and the low ebb of the breeding industry, to a point of more than local prominence. No foal by him from a standard bred mare has as yet been trained for speed, yet he was the only stallion in California to sire a new 2:05 performer in 1914, and one of three in the United States to sire two new ones in such select company, the others being Newtown Boy 2:10¼ and Walter Direct 2:05¾, both of whom have had more opportunities in the stud than have fallen to the lot of the California horse. Madam Mac (4) 2:10¼ is "knocking at the door" with a trial in 2:07, and others are showing extremely well in their work. Vera Hal 2:05 forced Teddy Bear to race in 1:01¼ to beat her at Dixon, and Clara Mac 2:04½ is training like a two-minute performer, and in the light of the conditions set forth herein it is not a matter of wonderment that Expressive Mac has proven one of the best patronized horses of the year.

NORTH PACIFIC FAIR ASSOCIATION.

Coast horsemen should not overlook the fact that their "one best bet" for the time intervening between the exposition meetings is the circuit arranged by the North Pacific Fair Association, which provides racing for seven consecutive weeks, beginning August 13 at Vancouver, B. C., and closing October 2 and Salem. June first is the date for the closing of entries to the major stakes, and a card to John W. Pace, Circuit Secretary, Mutual Life Building, Seattle, will bring you the stake book with all information.

Arrivals at the Exposition

George Nugent of Phoenix, Arizona, who wintered at Riverside with the trotters Doctor D. C. 2:14¼ and Princess Louise 2:12¾, both owned by Mrs. E. D. Welsh of Phoenix, arrived in the city Friday with his horses, which are quartered in Barn Six at the exposition. Doctor D. C., entered in the 2:18 and 2:14 trotting classes, is a bay gelding by Del Coronado 2:09½, dam by Woolwich, that made his first appearance last season, racing in Texas and the northern states lying west of the river. He made a dozen starts during the season, being four times outside the money, three times fourth, twice third, once second and twice first, getting a winrace record of 2:18¼ in his first race at Phoenix and winning one heat from Ellen May in his last start in 2:14¼. He is a rugged made fellow and has worked right around 2:16 over the half mile track at Riverside during his training and was second to Loe Blossom at Phoenix in 2:11¼.

Princess Louise is a lass with a longer racing history, as she was the first of the get of Del Coronado 2:09½ to achieve a standard record. Ten years is a long time for a trotter to stay in the game, but it will be ten years this July since the Princess won the three-year-old trot at Los Angeles and took the record of 2:19. She started again the same season but with less fortune, being distanced in the fourth heat of the Occident stake by North Star and Bellmont, after having won the first heat in 2:20. Until 1913 she was raced but three times, once each in 1906, 1910 and 1912, being outside the cash division in the first and last but trotting a very nice race in 1910 at Phoenix, being third to Helen Stiles and Fair Maid in 2:11¾, 2:10¾, 2:09½.

In 1913 she made a campaign of sufficient length to bring up her average, making twenty-three starts from Arizona to Ohio, being once fourth, three times third, four times second and nine times first. She secured a record of 2:16¼ in the second heat of a losing race with Axtien 2:11¼, and at Kahoka, Mo., won a couple of races on successive days. In 1914 she was raced over the same circuit as Doctor D. C., twice outside the money in sixteen starts, taking her present record of 2:12¾ in a time performance at Phoenix. On March 17 of this year she startled folks considerably by trotting in a matinee at Riverside in 2:10¾, 2:15½ against Ulo Tolus, and looms as an almost sure new 2:10 performer for her sire. Both George's trotters look sure for the 2:10 list, for that matter.

J. W. Swank of Payette, Idaho, came in Saturday evening with his entry for the 2:25 and 2:20 pace, having wintered at his home and given his side-wheeler a pretty fair prep in spite of the fact that he comes from a section where early training would be considered an impossibility by trainers accustomed to more favored climes. Swank's pacer is a racy looking six-year-old chestnut mare, Marie Fitzsimmons, by the northwestern speed progenitor Bob Fitzsimmons 2:07¾, sire of Ovieda 2:05, etc., and her dam is Sulphura by Volcano 10029, grandam Ethel by Forest Golddust 2704. Both Ovieda and Marie Fitzsimmons were bred at the Fleming establishment near Helena, Montana. Mr. Swank is stabled in Number Five.

The bulk of the Los Angeles colony pulled up stakes last Saturday and headed for the big show, Alonzo McDonald with his Grand Circuit campaigners and California's own Wm. G. Durfee with the crack youngsters that have fattened his bank account during the last few seasons, as well as a number of others of the same brand. After some weeks of the bum speed-making weather that has blessed(?) the coast of late they were tickled to death to unload in a little more of the same, as it seems that the weather man is holding a grudge against California and her expositions. Owing to their arrival on Sunday they were not able to unload until the following morning, but with one or two exceptions the horses weathered the ship very well. The two strings are quartered in the center rows of barn six and are attracting a good many visitors, as it has seldom been granted to coast horse lovers to view the two leading stables of 2:10 trotters of any season side by side. Notwithstanding the sharp contest staged last year by Messrs. McDonald and Durfee for the 2:10 championship, the latter eventually winning out by a majority of one performer, there have been no riot calls from the barn and everything is serene as can be. Both gentlemen, however, have both eyes peeled full on the money in the big stakes and many of the class races at the June meeting and last year's rivalry will be continued with a vim from the tap of the bell for the 2:30 trot to the last heat of the 2:06 pace on getaway day.

As per usual, Ed Avery is in direct charge of the McDonald stable, and has them in top notch condition for their engagements here and farther on down the big line, as they are staked through the Grand Circuit and are due for an early trip back across the mountains. Star Winter 2:05 is one horse that managed to live up to his title, as he has been on of the stars of the big line for the past two seasons, annexing over seventeen thousand dollars in that time. He is the lad that forced Etawah to trot the first head of the 2:08 trot at Lexington last fall in 2:03½ and is the only trotter in the string that has beaten 2:10 in his work this season, having had a mile in 2:09 before leaving Angeltown. He is a bay gelding, eight years old, by Ed Winter 2:12¾ (sire of Allen Winter 2:06½, winner of the derby at Readville, etc.) out of Elsie B. E. 2:29¼ by Conquest Star 2:23, grandam Starlina (dam also of the trotter and speed sire Albingen 2:18) by Alcantara 2:23. He gets but one start at the exposition—in the free-for-all trot, for which entries do not close until June first.

McCloskey, whose work in 2:10½ is the second fastest mile credited to the stable's trotters, is an example of the kindly dispensations of the no-record rule, as he has a tag of 2:06¼, won over ten thousand dollars in 1914, has won heats in races in time below 2:10 on two occasions and only a quarter-second removed from it on another (in the Charter Oak) and is still a 2:30 trotter so far as classification is concerned. He was a contender in last year's M. & M. and will carry the stable's confidence at the exposition in the 2:30 and 2:14 trotting classes. He has the white nose and underlip that form the "Indian sign" of a tough horse, and his underpinning recalls the old "nursery rhyme" of the horseman—

"One white leg respect him,
Two white legs inspect him,
Three white legs doubt him,
Four, do without him,"

but there is another old saw that "it is the exception that proves the rule," or words to that effect, and this lad must be the exception. He is by Theodosius 2:18½, sire also of Lottie L. 2:09¼ and Theon 2:09¼, out of Maggie C. (dam of two) by Odd Socks 2:20½, grandam Astroth (dam of Hattie C. 2:10) by Aparka 2:27. The names of the two sires last mentioned do not "fall familiarly" on Californians' ears and to relieve curiosity we will say that Odd Socks, gelded early in life, was by Almomedo 7219, a son of Happy Medium and Ella B. by Almont 33, while Aparka was by Onward 2:25¼, out of a daughter of Magic 1451 by American Clay 34.

Duchess, the roan mare entered in the 2:08 trot here and in the M. & M. and other eastern classics, has wintered nicely since annexing the 2:12 trot last fall at Phoenix in which she obtained her present winrace record of 2:07¼, and has gone the route over the Los Angeles track in 2:11. In 1912 she was a good winner in the south and central west and in 1914 went some nice races for Mr. McDonald and Levi Turner. Her pedigree is a bit in question, Mr. McDonald entering her as by Allerteen, and the Racing Guide giving her as by Carl Scott 33260, dam the producing matron Cecilian Kate by Cecilian Prince 2:30. Pedigree or no pedigree, she demands respect when she faces trotters of her class, which is the prime consideration.

Miss Harris M., the juvenile pacer of the string, is a beautiful bay lassie by Peter the Great 2:07¼ out of Mary Allen Stout by Ondale 2:23½ (sire of the dam of Billy Burk 2:03¼), grandam Maudie Macey by Macey 2:29½ (sire of the dams of Charley Mitchell 2:04¼, Wandering Jew 2:09¾, etc.). She has been a "member of the family" since she was weaned and has developed most pleasingly in all respects. She will be started here in a couple of the slower class paces, 2:25 and 2:19, as a curtain raiser to her futurity engagements down east, and has already shown a sample of her pacing qualities by negotiating the Los Angeles oval in 2:11. She was started once last year, at Dallas in the two-year-old trot, and was second to the Kentucky Todd colt Toddling, but was switched to the lateral gait not long afterward.

Laramie Lad, who has a winrace record of 2:20 made in 1912 over a two lap track and a breeder's mark of 2:09½ made in a trial against time last season at Grand Rapids, is the most extensively entered trotter of the string insofar as the exposition meeting is concerned, Mr. McDonald evidently intending to give him an opportunity to pay for his last season's education in a bunch. He is named in the 2:14 (double entry with McClosky), 2:16 and 2:18 classes, and was also entered in the events for 2:13 and 2:17 trotters, which failed to fill and were reopened to close June first. Last year his work progressed to a nice mile in 2:06 and this year he has been down to 2:10½, so all he needs is a bit of good weather to put him in shape to pay a dividend. He is a son of Master Bo, by Oronteo 2:16½, and is a Wyoming product, taking his name from the famous old frontier town of Laramie, unless the writer's dope is twisted. He has two crosses to the son of Alfred G. and Emma C. by Onward, his dam being a sister to Aguilan 2:17¼, Oronteo's fastest trotter.

Baron Todd, entered in the 2:25 and 2:20 trots, is a brown horse by the dead Todd, whose descendants are playing such a great part in the rise of the family of Bingen 2:06¼, and is equally well bred on the maternal side, his dam being Baroness Rosalind by Baron Wilkes 2:18, grandam Rosebud by Mambrino King. The Baron was raced a bit last season in educational company and at Phoenix was given a breeder's record of 2:11¾, a performance that he is already up to surpassing this season, as he has worked nicely at Los Angeles in 2:12½.

Adbell M. is the colt that beat Miss Perfection (3) 2:09¼, St. Frisco, Hollyrood Ben, Adbella Watts and Kathryn Colette in the three-year-old class at Pittsburg last summer and attained a winrace rec-



McCLOSKEY 2:06¼

ord of 2:11¼, having previously been given a breeder's mark of 2:09¾. At Syracuse he ranked third in the summary to Lee Axworthy and W. J. Leyburn, trotting second to the former in the third and fastest heat in 2:09¾, and at Hartford was third to Peter Volo and Lee Axworthy in the Matron Stake in slower time. He is maturing into a great horse and is entered in the 2:12 trot; he has worked this season in thirteen. He is a nicely bred youngster by Moko, out of Miss Adbell 2:09¾ by Adbell (1) 2:23, the one-time champion yearling of California lineage; grandam Emma T. 2:17½ (dam also of Emma Brook 2:09¾) by Socrates.

Margot Hal 2:04¼, entered in the free-for-all pace and a possible starter in the big event for 2:06 pacers on closing day, has been working very nicely this season, after having been on the shelf for a portion of 1914, and was given one trip below 2:10 before leaving Los Angeles. She won six races for Mr. McDonald in 1913 and is rated as a pretty consistent little lady. She is an "F. F. V.," which stands in eastern circles for "First Families of Virginia," having been bred at Falls Mills in the "Old Dominion" by S. Walton. She is really a Tennesseean, being by Argot Hal, whose pacing record of 2:04¾ and trotting mark of 2:07½ rank him high among double gaited horses, while her dam is Mary Campbell by Tennessee Wilkes 2:27, grandam Chestnut Belle by Brown Trigham.

Hedgewood Patchen, Mr. McDonald's other side-wheeler, came to California as a youngster in the ownership of Dick Wilson, who sold him to Havis James, Mr. Stoughton Fletcher eventually getting him. He has a good inheritance along speed producing lines, being by Hedgewood Boy 2:01 out of

Lady Patchen 2:29¼ by The Patchen Boy (3) 2:10¾, and in previous training has gone the route in 2:07¼. This spring he has progressed to a mile in ten, and is entered here in the 2:15, 2:17 and 2:20 pacing classes.

Mr. McDonald also has with him, though not entered here, the green trotter His Nibs, a four-year-old owned by Alexander Maclaren of Buckingham, Quebec, that he is educating for future seasons. This lad is a son of Cochato 2:11½, one of the grandsons of Bingen that has proven a sire of two-minute speed, as Walter Cochato 2:02¼ has been perilously near the mark and is regarded very highly as one of the early candidates for two-minute honors; his dam is Ade Larabie by Larabie the Great 2:12¾, the good son of Jay Bird owned for years by Mr. Maclaren, grandam Adebel 2:29½ (bred at Palo Alto) by Advertiser 2:15¼, great-grandam Beautiful Bells. The breeding is right to make a trotter, and the Los Angeles railbirds say he is one, too.

The Durfee trotters are a great lot, headed by the four-year-old fillies Esperanza (3) 2:09 and Virginia Barnette (3) 2:08¼, to whom California looks to keep at home some of the money hung up for girls and boys of their gait. Esperanza, the best filly yet produced on this coast, is of Mr. Durfee's own breeding, a daughter of Carlokin 2:07½ and the great young matron My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½. After making a good campaign as a two-year-old she proceeded to "clean up" on the coast classics for three-year-olds, winding up her season by heading the summary at Phoenix in a field of aged horses. During the same summer she trialed below 2:08 and before leaving home last week had been a mile in 2:11¾. She is one of the "dogged" kind, and as it has often been conclusively shown that "it's dogged as does it" she carries a whole lot of respect from horsemen who know her. Virginia Barnette is a trotter of a different type, with perhaps as great a flight of speed as any lass of her age. She is a daughter of Moko and that good old Zombro campaigner, Zephyr 2:07¼, grandam Gazelle G. 2:11½ (dam of Zolock 2:05¼, etc.), and obtained her record at Phoenix in her first and only race. She lacks Esperanza's experience, but her behavior at Phoenix was all that could have been asked of her. Some weeks ago she met with an injury to one hind foot and a severe shaking up in general, but she came through it excellently and has been down to thirteen in her work since that time.

Rags 2:09¼, the five-year-old son of Del Coronado 2:09½ and Atherine 2:16¾ (dam of Copa de Oro 2:01, etc.) by Patron, has wintered well and has matured into a big husky trotter. He "had his" as a three-year-old, winning the Breeders' and Oregon futurities and the Stanford and Occident stakes, and last year was three times first and once second out of four starts, Dean Swift proving the better mud lark at his last start at Salem. He has worked the home track this spring in 2:13¾. Bertha Pointer 2:08½, who completes the quartet of trotters with records faster than 2:10, carries the Durfee brand from infancy, as she is by Del Coronado and out of the double producer Belle Pointer by Sky Pointer, grandam Princess Wilkes by Ned Wilkes. She has never been raced, her mark being of the "breeder's" variety, but she is fast and good headed and comes from a cross that has produced at least one mighty good race mare, Little Bernice 2:06¼, who forced William to his record of 2:05 as a three-year-old.

Miss Quealy, full sister to the colt Manrico (3) 2:07¼ with which Will won the Kentucky futurity in 1912, was given a two-year-old record of 2:26¾ at Lexington and has had but little training since, having been bred and raised a colt or so—one now a two-year-old with a trial this spring in 2:26. She is one of the kind that knows nothing but trot when on the track and has trialed this season in 2:17, with a half at a 2:09 clip, Durfee regarding her as a likely new one for the 2:10 list before the season closes, which would make her dam a triple producer of speed of the "select" variety. Old Folks, by Del Coronado—Iran Belle by Iran Alto, tried to cash in some weeks ago at Los Angeles and has not been asked for any fast work since; he has a good turn of speed, however, as he trialed a year ago only a second removed from the ten list. The Lark (3) 2:18½, with a trial this spring in 2:16, is another one of the Carlokins and was bred by Clarence J. Berry, being out of his good matron Subito (dam of four, including White Sox 2:06¼ and Blanche 2:06¾) by Steinway, grandam Jenny Mc 2:09 by McKinney 2:11¼, third dam Leonor 2:24 by Dashwood, fourth dam Durferine (Geraldine) by Echo. The pedigree has a genuine "Durfee whang," as C. A. Durfee bred most of the matrons named, all of which are in the great brood mare table.

Will also has with him four three-year-old trotters all known to fame as two-year-olds. Byron, the futurity winner bred by Byron Erkenbrecker of Los Angeles, with a two-year-old mark of 2:20, has reached that same figure in his work this season and is doing famously in every way. He is the first performer for the trotter Tom Moko 2:13, now at the head of the stud of H. H. Boomer's establishment in Idaho, and is out of Rita H. 2:12½ by McKinney; his last year's war prizes include first money in the Breeders', State Fair and Pleasanton futurities, as well as a little neighborhood race at home, which is a pretty fair kind of a start for a young campaigner, a young sire, and a newcomer to the table of dams.

The other three of the same age are all Carlokins from producing dams—and by producers in this instance is meant producers of speed from two-ten to two minutes. Carlschen (2) 2:23, bred by Mrs. Lillian J. Boyd of Hemet, is out of Bonnie Ailsie 2:08½ (dam also of Contention B. (3) 2:10, who was "hard-lucked" out of a world's record at Phoenix) by Fausino 2:12¼, grandam Ailsie Medium 2:27¾ by Happy Medium, and has trotted this year in 2:17. The other two were bred by Mr. Durfee and are Carl (2) 2:19¼, full brother to Esperanza (3) 2:09, with a trial this season in 2:15½, and Nicola B. (2) 2:23½, out of Atherine 2:16¾, the dam of Copa de Oro 2:01 (who was also "hard-lucked" once at Phoenix and "rolled" for a record of 1:59) and Rags 2:09¼; Nicola B. is also a futurity winner, and had gotten along to a mile in 2:16 before leaving home. It may also be noted that the dams of these three were not merely producers but fulfill the "developed" theory as well, and it is doubtful if any stable can show three equally good ones by one sire. What a horse race the four Durfee three-year-olds would make if William could only develop about three "astral bodies" and drive them all himself.

Only a pair of two-year-old trotters were brought up, but they are bred to be the right kind. One is the bay filly Carleta by Carlokin, out of Alexandra, trial 2:20 by Bon Voyage 2:08, and the other is Miss Rico by the futurity winner Manrico 2:07¼, dam the great brood mare Subito by Steinway. Both are developing most promisingly, Carleta having negotiated the route in 2:26 with a half in 1:09½, while Miss Rico, to the best of the writer's knowledge, has set the pattern for two-year-old trotters so far this season with a mile in 2:21½. Manrico has not yet appeared in the great table of sires, but there are two youngsters in the Durfee string that can land him there with a bump the first time they are asked to do so.

The pacers of the stable are only three in number but they are long on quality and "Durfee fans" will be found in plenty who will be ready to chance a bet or so on them in any "reasonable" kind of company. White Sox, the Del Coronado—Subito lass originally campaigned as a trotter and given a winrace record of 2:13½ at that gait, has a world of speed as a pacer and has hauled Will his fastest ride of the season—2:08½. She won five races last season and forced Clara Mac to pace in 2:04½ to beat her at Sacramento, so she has had some "'sperience" in really fast company. She will be the Durfee entry for the fast pacing stakes and classes, being substituted in the big event for the dead Guy Borden. Contention B. is maturing nicely and has turned the Los Angeles track in 2:11, within a second of his three-year-old record. His mile in 2:08¼ at Phoenix was lost to him, officially, but that will not prevent him from hanging up some good race records whenever his teamster gives the word, as he is probably the fastest of the three three-year-olds by Copa de Oro that beat 2:10 last season. The third pacer is the two-year-old lad Rico, by Manrico 2:07¼—Pavlowa B. by Petigru 2:10½, and he has already developed standard speed, having unbelted a mile in 2:25 with a half in 1:08. Will could have brought along a number of other good colts, but didn't wish to put the exposition folks to the expense of building more stable room, so left quite a delegation at home in competent hands.

Here are the Durfee entries for the June meeting: 2:30 trot, Miss Quealy, Virginia Barnette, Bertha Pointer; 2:08 trot, Rags, Esperanza, Virginia Barnette; two-year-old trot, Carleta, Miss Rico; 2:25 pace, Contention B.; 2:16 trot, Byron, Bertha Pointer, Virginia Barnette; 2:20 trot, driving club, Miss Quealy; 2:25 trot, Bertha Pointer, Virginia Barnette; 2:18 trot, Bertha Pointer, Virginia Barnette; 2:17 pace, Contention B.; 2:30 trot, driving club, Old Folks; 2:10 trot, Esperanza, with Virginia Barnette as a possible substitute for her; free-for-all pace, White Sox; 2:20 pace, Contention B.; two-year-old pace, Rico; 2:20 trot, Old Folks, Bertha Pointer; three-year-old trot, Nicola B., Carl; 2:19 pace, Contention B.; 2:06 pace, White Sox. There will probably be other entries from the stable in the classes which close on June first, so Mr. Durfee has a fairly busy time ahead of him.

THE PART CHANCE PLAYS.

The element of "chance" has been prominent in the breeding and development of the light harness horse. Much more so than with the thoroughbred. With the latter breeding theories have been followed with more or less regularity. Not so with the trotter. Many of the trotting and pacing champions are the result of a definite purpose on the part of their breeders, but the number that have attained prominence through good fortune alone is truly remarkable. Among thoroughbreds the policy of breeding to the winners has been in vogue so many years the blooded horse has adhered closely to type with but few sporadic or chance matings which have resulted in champions.

There is no question but that the plan of selecting stallions of good size, good conformation and winning blood followed by the foremost breeders of the trotting horse is the only logical course to pursue in producing a champion, and the successful horsemen of the present day are those who are the most exacting judges of individuality and blood; but the history of the light harness horse is so full of examples of horses prominent through good fortune alone that their careers on the race course constitute some of the most brilliant pages of trotting history.

Rarus 2:13¼, the first trotter to beat the world's championship record of Goldsmith Maid 2:14, would never have ranked among the greatest race horses of all time had he not fallen into the hands of John Splan. His breeding, while not entirely a chance affair, was not the result of research of a practical horseman, and if Splan had not beaten Rarus earlier in his career with Kansas Chief 2:21¼ it is likely the Long Island trotter would have remained in obscurity. When C. W. Williams, a young telegraph operator of the Middle West, bred two common mares to Jay Bird and William L. he little dreamed he would give to the world such trotters as Allerton 2:09¼ and Axtell 2:12, the latter a champion of his age and gait. Beuzetta 2:06¼, the property of a Kentucky mountaineer, won the richest Kentucky Futurity ever trotted and lifter her owner from poverty to riches. Tommy Horn 2:04¼, a Colorado range horse, with a brand on his shoulder, beat the best of his division at Lexington last fall and became the holder of the record for the fastest seven-heat race ever trotted. Walter Cochato 2:02¼, the property of a cheese merchant in a little Indiana town, proved a Grand Circuit sensation two years ago and is now a candidate for two-minute honors. Poindexter 2:09, a trotter that was sold to Thomas W. Lawson for a long price, was purchased as a colt in a Frankfort, Ky., livery stable, where he was being held for a feed bill, while Cresceus 2:02¼, a stallion champion, had a narrow escape from death as a youngster because of his scrawny appearance.

Numerous instances of this character might be presented in supporting the chance theory. These circumstances are due almost wholly to the fact that the trotter is an animal suited to many purposes, a poor man's horse as well as a rich man's hobby, and as long as men in all walks of life are interested in the production of the light harness horse, just so long will the champions continue to come from the most humble surroundings. No greater tribute could be paid to the versatility and usefulness of the trotting horse, and it is this wide range of adaptability that is preserving the breed for future generations. Notwithstanding the advent of the motor car and the increasing sentiment against speculation on race courses, the light harness horse is breeding on, equally able to earn his fare on the track or the farm, under saddle along the bridle paths of the cities or amid the thundering of cannon on the battlefield of the world's greatest war.

A writer in the Philadelphia Record recently presented the facts surrounding the mating of the sire and dam of Peter the Great 2:07¼, the world's greatest sire of 2:10 trotters and the leading colt sire of America. Peter the Great was purely the result of a chance mating and while his blood lines are first class and the cross a successful one, as measured by speed on the race course and ability to sire speed, the fact remains that had it not been for the element of fortune Peter the Great would have been unknown to fame. The breeding of Axtell and Allerton by the youthful telegraph operator in the west is having its influence on trotters of the present day. Both horses have founded a family that is breeding on with increasing regularity, and in the matter of pure speed alone the trotters descended from Axtell have a slight advantage over those from Peter the Great 2:07¼, the fastest trotter in the Axtell family being Hamburg Belle 2:01, while Peter Volo 2:03¼ is the fastest of the get of Peter the Great.

Selecting the stallions that have descended from sire families and avoiding the failures in the male line, is a favorite rule with scientific breeders of the present day, and while a good rule which has worked well, it has many notable exceptions, prominent among them being Bingen 2:06¼, founder of the greatest family of trotters of the present day. Bingen was by May King, a horse of but little ability as a sire, and while he gave to the world one or two race horses, his presence in the pedigree of Bingen is a break in the chain of male line successes, tracing from Electioneer, a truly great progenitor. Peter the Great, likewise, is from a stallion of mediocrity. His sire, Pilot Medium, was decidedly ordinary, while his grandsire, Happy Medium, a sire of champions on the race course, is not prominent as a founder of a trotting family. The same may be said of the pedigree of Axtell, a stallion before the public today by reason of the wonderful showing of the colts and fillies by his son Axworthy.—H. A. Hamilton, Canadian Sportsman.

THREE STAKES FILL AT EMPIRE CITY PARK.

Manager R. M. Williams reports that three of the early-closing events of the Grand Circuit meeting at Empire City Park have filled, and it has been found necessary to declare the other two off. Those that have been successful are the Greater New York 2:08 trot, fifteen entries; the Manhattan 2:13 trot, twenty-five entries, and the Broadway 2:08 pace, twenty entries. The 2:05 trot and the 2:03 pace did not fill, nor did the handicap race, whose conditions the horsemen did not seem to understand. On the whole Mr. Williams is pretty well satisfied, and says the Grand Circuit meeting will go on as planned. The entries in the three classes which filled are very representative and include all the prominent stables which are coming down the big line this season. There is considerable disappointment in the knowledge that the 2:05 trot did not fill, although Mr. Williams does not share it to any great extent. He says he had not much faith that it would be well supported, but offered the purse with the idea of leaving nothing undone to provide the New York racegoers with the best talent in the country. A good list of class races for the Empire meeting will be announced later.—Trotter and Pacer.

A LETTER FROM CALIFORNIA.

Under the above caption the current number of the American Horse Breeder carries an interesting communication written from this city by Mr. A. W. Davis, of the "old school" of New England horsemen. Mr. Davis spent the winter in California, largely at Pasadena, taking advantage of the opportunity to visit Hemet Stock Farm, Exposition Park at Los Angeles, the fair grounds at Riverside, Pleasanton Driving Park, Palo Alto, the exposition and various other points of interest to lovers of the trotter. So well pleased was he that before his departure for the east early in May he announced his intention of becoming a resident of Pasadena or vicinity, a "good resolution" that we trust he will carefully observe, as California can use gentlemen of Mr. Davis' caliber in generous quantities.

Here is his letter to the Breeder:

"The writer recently made a visit to Palo Alto, the seat of Stanford University and the home of the late Leland Stanford, where at one time were quartered twelve hundred of the finest bred trotters in the world. Harry Peterson, formerly of Boston, entertained the party of which I was a member. We were shown the wonderful grounds where Senator and Mrs. Stanford expended millions in collecting curios from all parts of the world. Here are the skeletons of Occident, Electioneer and Palo Alto 2:08¾. Since the death of Senator Stanford, the horses have been disposed of, and the stables are now used for the farm horses. The land is the most fertile in California and the oats are now three feet high. A perfect gem of art is the memorial chapel, which cost $1,500,000. The earthquake did much damage to it, but it is being repaired.

"The trotters are beginning to arrive at the exposition track for the spring meeting, June 5-19. Lon McDonald moves his stable of twelve from Los Angeles on May 2. The Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet, Cal., the property of W. F. Whittier, of San Francisco, will be well represented in the races, and Budd Doble has the horses in fine condition. He is now located at the San Jose track, with nine head.

"Mr. Lively, the manager of the horse show and other live stock exhibits, told me that more than $900,000 would be offered in prizes in that department. The polo games have been very well attended and many of the finest ponies in the country are now here, but leave May 1 to give place to the trotters and show horses. The stables are palatial and decidedly well arranged. There are twelve hundred stalls, kept in the most perfect order.

"The exposition is wonderful! Its huge buildings, with their unique color schemes, and the tower of jewels is most unusual. The state buildings are a great show in themselves. The California building cost $750,000, and contains the products of one of the greatest states of the Union. The Oregon building, one of the most attractive on the grounds, is on the log cabin order, the front being made from forty-eight huge logs of Douglas fir, fifty feet long and from four to eight and one-half feet in diameter. The flagpole is 257 feet high and weighs forty-seven tons. It was hewn from a tree 347 feet high and contained enough lumber to build five eight-room houses. The tree was three hundred years old. It cost $5,000 to transport it to the exposition grounds and twenty tons of cement were used in building the foundation.

"The Massachusetts building has an imposing site, and with its gold dome attracts much attention. The fireworks and illumination effects are alone worth a trip to the coast.

"An Irishman visited the exposition a few days ago. When he saw the kangaroo at the Australian building, he said, 'What's that?' He was told that it was a kangaroo, a native of Australia. Pat replied: 'Begorry, he must be a brother-in-law of mine. My sister married a native of Australia.'"

LEXINGTON'S LIBERALITY.

Those who had hoped that President Tipton would arrange a class for free-for-all trotters at Lexington that would be likely to draw the stars should be pleased to learn that the Castleton Cup for $3000 has been made for the open class of trotters. As heretofore, the event carries also with it a cup to be presented to the winner by David M. Look, the master of Castleton. In the other fixed trotting events the Transylvania and Walnut Hall cup remain unchanged, as to class, purse and conditions, but some radical changes have been made in the Ashland, Kentucky and Lexington purses. In the Kentucky and Lexington, while the total entrance is three per cent., it costs nominators only one-fourth of one per cent to declare out by July 1, three-fourths of one per cent will carry to September, and 1¾ per cent to the night before the race. This radical and liberal change in conditions is made by the Lexington association because it is believed that owners of untried youngsters should be favored and it is hoped that these will appreciate the change by making a liberal entrance.

The conditions of the early closing trotting classes for Lexington are here given:

The Transylvania: for trotters eligible to 2:08 class (3-in-5), $5,000. Divided: $2,500 to first; $1,250 to second; $750 to third; $500 to fourth. Entrance: 1 per cent ($50) June 1; 1 per cent ($50) July 1; 1 per cent ($50) Sept. 1, with 7 per cent of purse additional from each money winner. Entries transferable on or before September 15, on which day starters are to be named.

The Castleton Cup: for trotters, free-for-all (2-in-3), $3,000. A gold cup to owner of winner from Mr. David M. Look, of Castleton. Divided: $1,400 to first; $700 to second; $400 to third; $300 to fourth; $100 to winner of fastest heat; $100 to driver of winner. Entrance: 1 per cent ($30) June 1; 1 per cent ($30) July 1; 1 per cent ($30) Sept. 1, with 7 per cent of purse additional from each money winner. Horses to be named June 1.

The Walnut Hall Cup; for trotters eligible to 2:12 class (3-in-5), $3,000. A $500 trophy to owner of winner from the proprietors of Walnut Hall Farm. Division of moneys, entrance and payments same as The Castleton Cup, No. 2.

The Ashland: for trotters eligible to 2:19 class (3-in-5), $2,000. The winners of The Transylvania, The Castleton Cup and The Walnut Hall Cup barred, but if eligible to start in this race the entrance will be refunded. Divided: $1,000 to first; $500 to second; $300 to third; $200 to fourth. Entrance: 1 per cent ($20) June 1; 1 per cent ($20) July 1; 1 per cent ($20) Sept. 1, with 7 per cent of purse additional from each money winner. Horses to be named June 1.

The Kentucky: for three-year-old trotters (2-in-3), $2,000. The winner of the Kentucky Futurity barred, but if eligible to start in this race the entrance will be refunded. Division of moneys, same as The Ashland, No. 4. Entrance: ¼ of 1 per cent ($5) June 1; ½ of 1 per cent ($10) July 1; 1 per cent ($20) Sept. 1, with a starting fee of $25, payable by 5 o'clock of evening before race; 7 per cent of purse additional from each money winner.

The Lexington: for two-year-old trotters (2-in-3), $2,000. The winner of the Futurity (2-y.-o.) barred, but if eligible to start in this race the entrance will be refunded. Division of moneys same as The Ashland, No. 4. Entrance: ¼ of 1 per cent ($5) June 1; ½ of 1 per cent ($10) July 1; 1 per cent ($20) Sept. 1, with a starting fee, $25, payable by 5 o'clock of evening before race; 7 per cent of purse additional from each money winner.—Western Horseman.

GOOD SPORT AT ANDERSON.

The races at Anderson, Cal., on May 8 were a grand success and were attended by a big crowd that gathered from all parts of Shasta and Tehama counties. The forenoon was given over to baseball and other sports, and by shortly after noon the grounds at the track were well filled. Stores closed, work on public and private enterprises was suspended, and everybody made for the track, where the ladies had prepared a toothsome luncheon, which was served on tables on the lawn before the grandstand. Mayor J. J. Noonan made a neat address of welcome to all, thanking the horsemen especially for their support and calling attention to the good work done by the association in former years. Nor had the gentlemen in charge been in any way remiss in their preparations for this event, as the old grandstand had been demolished and a new one constructed, the infield alfalfa had been harvested and the track had been put in the very best kind of shape.

Autos lined the stretch solidly and the grandstand was filled to its limit, the ladies being present in large numbers, their dainty apparel and smiling faces adding much to the day's brilliance and its pleasures. A dancing pavilion had been provided and with a lively band to furnish the music the younger set—and many of their elders—filled out the program with many dances.

At one o'clock Presiding Judge F. N. Frary of Red Bluff, one of our old-time horsemen and owner of the good stallion Howard Dillon 44624, trial 2:14, by that incomparable native son Sidney Dillon, called the races, and from then on the fun was "fast and furious." Bearcat (Martin), Preston Pans (Cox) and Adenia (Haltiser) came out for the three-eights and repeat, the money being divided between Bearcat and Preston Pans, Adenia being disqualified for a foul in the repeat after having won the first dash.

The saddle horse race was won by the entry of Mr. J. DeBerry, and the novelty event went to a horse owned by Mr. Arnold of Millville. Only two entries appeared for the free-for-all trot or pace, but they were allowed to start and cut the purse, H. Morgan with Star Direct getting the decision over Ike Stevenson with Longitude. The first heat was a merry one, but an accident to Longitude's sulky in the second caused his withdrawal and Star Direct made the circuit alone in slower time. The officials of the day were F. N. Frary and Herbert Burbank, judges; J. DeBerry and J. Mirandette, timers, and W. H. Fairbanks, starter.

Altogether it was a great day, and we had the best time ever and one of the biggest crowds ever seen for a place of our size. SHASTAN.

"Lousy and Wormy,"

and if they get distemper in one of its various forms in addition, they will be "done for." Such conditions don't pay. You know that usually where there are vermin or parasites on the inside they also are found on the outside and if on the outside sure to find 'em on the inside. Get busy—get rid of them. Spohn's Compound will do it and without purging, physicing or "drawing." Seventeen years' use surely proves the statement. All druggists or manufacturers. Read the booklet with each bottle.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

PLANS FOR RACING AT TIJUANA.

For some days there has been talk around town concerning the proposal to hold running races just across the border from San Diego in Boja California, the most definite information we have concerning the same being found in the following clipping from a recent edition of a Southern California daily:

W. E. Tobias, representing the company which is to build the race course at Tijuana; Robert Farfan, secretary to Jose Cantu, brother of Governor Estaban Cantu; George Couts, and Lew Harris of the firm of Harris, Cromwell & Aldrich, civil engineers, met yesterday and drew up tentative plans for the race course.

It is planned to build the course similar to the fast Cleveland track. There will be a rise of sixteen inches from the starting wire to the quarter pole; a rise of two feet to the half mile; a drop of two and a half feet to the three-quarter pole, and a fall of ten inches to the finishing wire.

Lew Harris has drawn plans where the superelevation of the track has been carefully worked out. The track will be 85 feet wide, which will allow fifteen horses to start abreast. The final disposition of the work will be delayed until the arrival of C. C. Tucker, the contractor, and F. E. White, who are in Portland getting lumber prices.

Frank Calmons was instrumental in the engagement of Harris for the engineering work. In April, 1893, George S. Davis of the firm of Parke-Davis Co., wholesale druggists of Detroit, purchased the Monte Vista ranch in the Jamacha valley. Davis was the owner of many thoroughbreds at that time and decided to build a small track on his ranch, so that it would be possible to try out his string of horses during the winter months. Davis engaged Harris to lay out the course, and affairs progressed nicely until a slump hit the United States. Davis is said to have been hard hit at the time and sold out his California interests and returned East. Experience gained at that time in regard to the soil and the grading helped Harris in his engagement with the present company.

"It will take sixty days to grade the course after the starting of the work," said Harris. "At first we were of the opinion that it would be necessary to send East for a certain kind of soil, but upon inspection we ascertained that the soil, with a mixture of blue clay, to be found in that section would produce an exceptionally fast track. Three sites have been surveyed, and until the arrival of the rest of the company a definite decision will be withheld."

The opinion expressed at the meeting in regard to the cleaning up of the gamblers at Tijuana, Tuesday, was to the effect that it was a good thing, as it had saved them the trouble. "Full credit must be given to Governor Estaban Cantu for his co-operation with Chief Wilson," said Tobias. "It was a masterly stroke and well timed.

"When we start to race, on July 4, we propose to keep our concessions from fake propositions. We will run everything on the level. Some of the states have had a bitter experience from the forced shutting off of horse racing, due to public sentiment caused by crooked dealings. This will be the opportunity that has been looked for for a long time, and you can rest assured we are here to stay."

FIRST WORKOUTS AT P.-P. I. E.

In spite of the fact that the track could not be properly fitted for horses last week on account of the rains and the auto races scheduled for Saturday and Sunday, Superintendent Maxwell had some pretty fair footing for the initial workouts Saturday morning, and though no fast time was to be expected there were a few pretty fair miles and a number of fast brushes.

To Admiral Adolph Ottinger of the San Francisco and Portland Steamship Company fell the "honor" of riding the first mile in 2:30 on the new course, and also of going the fastest circuit for the day. Dick W. 2:06¼ snared the first standard performance trophy with a mile in 2:24, working later in 2:17½, while Zulu Belle 2:06¼ reeled off the day's record mile in 2:12¾, repeating within fractions of a second of the same mark. Owing to the carelessness of some workmen and the stupidity of their foreman and a guard who was standing idly by, Mr. Ottinger suffered a nasty fall while warming up the black mare, though no permanent injury either to himself or the speedy pacer resulted. Agnes Carter, the Ottinger stable's bay trotting mare, worked some very nice miles, the fastest in 2:20, and brushed some shorter distances at a merry clip.

Joe McGuire's best mile was in the neighborhood of twenty, but he opened up Red Rock through the lane for a quarter very close to a two-minute clip, and the little band of railbirds present developed a hearty respect for the chestnut fellow. Joe's green pacers appeared to be a fairly shifty pair, and his four-year-old trotter, A. R. G., got a good word from the first, as he is a nice individual, a perfect little gentleman in harness and an exceedingly nice gaited trotter.

George Nugent, who arrived only the previous evening, was content to take only an easy jog with Doctor D. C. 2:14¼ and Princess Louise 2:12¾, but they are both ready for fast work when the time comes, as they have been traveling miles around 2:10 to 2:16 over the two lap track at Riverside.

Eastern rumor has it that Tommy Murphy will put Directum I 1:58 and Anna Bradford (3) 2:00¾ to pole and go after the team record of 2:02 now held by Minor Heir and George Gano.

San Francisco-California Driving Club Organizes



GEORGE J. GIANNINI, President

At the meeting of former members of the San Francisco and California Driving Clubs held last Friday evening the organization of the new association, the San Francisco-California Driving Club, was effected under circumstances that speak eloquently for the future success and popularity of light harness matinees here by the Golden Gate. The representation present from both old clubs was very large, including almost all of the members actively engaged in racing, and so thoroughly did the spirit of harmony prevail that in the various actions taken, caucuses held and speeches made it was an utter impossibility to distinguish the previous affiliation of speakers and participants.

Previous to the meeting of Friday, the officers of the club had been decided upon by representatives of the former organizations, and the following executives were placed in power with a right good will: President, George J. Giannini; Vice-President, Daniel E. Hoffman; Secretary, Luke Marisch; Treasurer, Dr. Ira B. Dalziel; Sergeant at Arms, Daniel W. Keating; Directors, Adolph Ottinger, James J. Ryan, Ernest M. Doyle, John A. McKerron, Bert Edwards. The secretary was instructed to provide himself with all the necessary equipment for the transaction of the club's affairs, and the directors and secretary were instructed to draw up a set of by-laws and regulations to be submitted at a meeting in the near future.

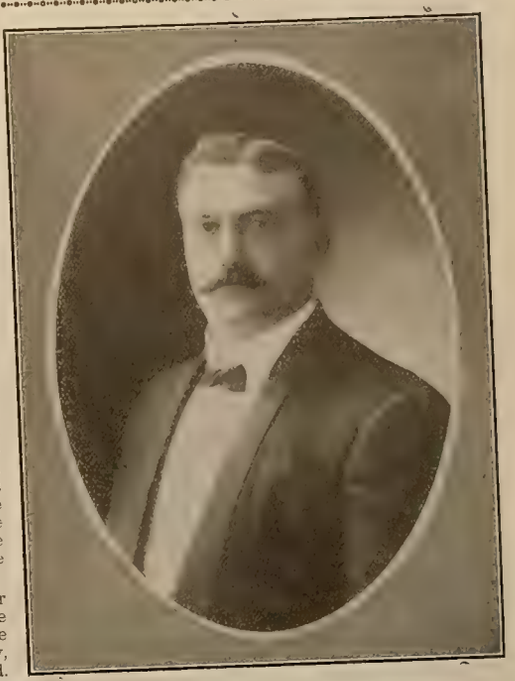
The amount of dues payable was readily agreed upon and Tuesday evening was designated as the time for the weekly meetings throughout the racing season, the place to be the California Club's old quarter's in the Eagles' Building on Golden Gate avenue. All members in good standing in the former organizations were placed upon the membership roll, and the following applications for membership were approved: those of Frank Goularte, George Lowery and A. A. Michaletti.

The details of organization disposed of, the program for the summer's racing was next taken up, and it was decided that the season should open Sunday, May 16, at the "old familiar place" in Golden Gate Park, the Stadium, after which the matinees would be held on Sundays and such holidays as were mutually acceptable over the mile track at the exposition grounds, both club members and exposition managers believing that the fun races will prove a popular portion of the holiday features out at the big show. Tomorrow's affair at the Stadium will be "free as air" as usual, and announcement will then be made of the change of the scene of future activities to the P.-P. I. E. course, where an individual gate charge of twenty-five cents will be made, admitting to the full privilege of the grand stand.

Owing to the recent inclemencies of the weather and the resultant fact that some of the horses are a bit short of work as yet, Sunday's races at the Stadium will be three-quarter mile heats, only, though in the future the full route will be traveled. There was small time for argument as to the ways and means of providing prizes for Sunday's meeting, as cups galore, as well as minor remembrances for second and third horses, were donated in a jiffy by various enthusiastic members.

It is with quite a bit of reluctance that the Stadium track is abandoned even for one season, as it has been the scene of some famous matinees and jolly good times for both horsemen and general public. During the winter just passed the course was resurfaced with four inches of most excellent dressing, so that it should be better than ever. The directors of the club were instructed to convey to the park commissioners the news of their intention to race at the exposition beginning May 23, and to convey to them every expression of thanks and esteem for the courtesies extended and the cordial relations existing between both bodies in the past.

Throughout the evening there was manifest a spirit of hearty good-will that told that the hatchet had not merely been buried, but that it had been towed outside the heads and heaved overboard with an anvil attached to it. Business disposed of, the meeting resolved itself into an old time "love feast," with speeches from very many of those present, the general trend of all the utterances being along the line of "We're glad we're here—and we're going to stay."



LUKE MARISCH, Secretary

This spirit was unanimous, and after it had been thoroughly attested an adjournment was taken until the evening of Tuesday, May 11.

Just when everything was all set for the San Francisco-California Driving Club to open its matinee season tomorrow, old man Jupiter P. Pluvius had to spill the beans by soaking everything so thoroughly that there was no chance, and instead of the customary standing room only sign being displayed tomorrow at the Stadium there will be nothing stirring in the horse racing line. The track will no doubt be O. K., but many of the horses were already short of work and owners and trainers decided that the "safety first" movement was highly applicable to the situation and decided to put the opening off for a week, scheduling the inaugural event for Sunday, May 23, at the exposition track.

The club will meet Tuesday evening, May 18, at Eagles' Hall, when horses will be classified and Sunday's program arranged. The by-laws will also come up for consideration and all members are requested to be present.

PACIFIC BREEDERS FUTURITY STAKE No. 14.

Ninety fourth payments were made on May 1st, 1915, in Pacific Breeders Futurity Stake No. 14, for foals of 1914, as follows:

J. A. Alshouse's b c Roger McKinney by Prince McKinney, dam Nellie Gwin II by McKerron.

C. A. Arvedson's b or s c Ansel Mack by Prince Ansel, dam Constancia by McKinney.

E. T. Barnette's foal by Carlokin, dam Zephyr by Zombro.

C. J. Berry's foal by Copa de Oro, dam Subito by Steinway.

I. L. Borden's br f by Ed. McKinney, dam Dolly B. by Welcome; ch c by Ed. McKinney, dam Ramona by Prince Robert; b c by Ed. McKinney, dam Ella G. by Hamb. Wilkes; b or br c by Ed. McKinney, dam Hester McKinney by McKinney; bl c by Ed. McKinney, dam Maude Adams by Cresco Wilkes; bl c by Tom Smith, dam Directola by Direct; b f by Ed. McKinney, dam Miss Nutwood by Nutwood Wilkes; b g by Tom Smith, dam Carrie B. by Alex. Button.

A. M. Bracken's b f Jane Logan by Jim Logan, dam Bernice Marshall by Owyhee.

W. C. Brown's ch c Prince Pat by Prince Ansel, dam Princess Bessum by Egyptian Prince.

J. J. Campbell's b c J. Silver Bond by The Bondsman, dam Silver Fir by Silver Bow.

I. J. Cornett's b f Boness by The Bondsman, dam Salinas Princess by Eugeneer.

S. H. Cowell's foal by Palo King, dam Hulda by Guy Wilkes; b c by Jim Logan, dam Two Minutes by Wildnut.

C. L. DeRyder's b c by The Bondsman, dam Arawana B. by Sidney Dillon.

Wm. E. Detels' foal by Graham Bellini, dam Daphne McKinney by McKinney.

J. Doran's b f Nelley McCarty by Vernon McKinney, dam Zaalam by Searchlight.

W. G. Durfee's foal by Copa de Oro, dam Pavlowa B. by Petigru; foal by Carlokin, dam My Irene S. by Petigru; foal by Carlokin, dam Carolyn C. by Axtell; b c by Calokin, dam by Six Bells.

Revel Lindsay English's ch f by Wilbur Lou, dam Lady Bertha by Constantine.

Byron Erkenbrecher's foal by Copa de Oro, dam Reta H. by McKinney.

Sam Gault's b c Peter Klyo Bell by Peter McKlyo, dam Iran Belle by Iran Alto.

Mrs. E. M. Goold's b f Starlight G. by Search Pointer, dam Princess G. by Sample.

Alex. Grant's b c by Wilbur Lou, dam Sona by McKinney.

C. A. Harrison's b c Kinney Benton by True Kinney, dam Princess Viola by Prince Ansel.

Geo. F. Heilbron's b f by Lijero, dam Califa by Silver Bow.

Hemet Stock Farm's ch f by Kinney de Lopez, dam Louise Carter by Chestnut Tom; ch f by Wilbur Lou, dam Lady Zombro by Zombro; ch c by Wilbur Lou, dam Betsy Direct by Direct; ch c by Wilbur Lou, dam Little Louise A. by Boodle; ch f by Wilbur Lou, dam Zeta W. by Nutwood Wilkes; b f by Wilbur Lou, dam Stambia by Stam B.; bl f by Kinney de Lopez, dam Bonnie Ailse by Faustino.

H. A. Hershey's b c Galen by Jim Logan, dam Palo Maid by Palo King.

H. S. Hogoboom's b f Eva Dungan by Palo King, dam Miss Ione by Iran Alto; b f Lilly of the Valley by Palo King, dam by Iran Alto.

Wm. Howell's ch f Miss Sirius by Graham Bellini, dam Lady Sirius by Sirius.

S. H. Hoy's b c Elmo Logan by Jim Logan, dam Suisun by Demonio.

Craig Hyde's b f Mona Logan by Jim Logan, dam Switchtail by Demonio.

Abe W. Johnson's ch c Willie G. D. by Directum Penn, dam Babe by Son of McKinney.

Mrs. Mabel Lipson's s c Franklin B. by Chestnut Tom, dam Myrtle Ragan by Col. K. R.

R. J. MacKenzie's br f by Pan Boy, dam Merry Widow by Red Pac; b c by Copa de Oro, dam Hawthorne by McKinney.

J. W. Marshall's b f by Demonio, dam Bally Pointer by Star Pointer.

Roy D. Mayes' b g El Paso by True Kinney, dam Ella J. by Bob Mason.

J. R. McKay's b c J. R. McK. by Quintell, dam Josie Ansel by Prince Ansel.

J. E. Montgomery's b c by Jim Logan, dam Leota by Diablo; b f by The Proof, dam Margaret M. by Chestnut Tom.

A. L. Nichols' b f Silver Logan by Dan Logan, dam Silver Benton by Senator Boggs.

Chris G. Owen's br f Ella O. by Moko Hall, dam by Kinney Lou.

J. W. Pendleton's ch f Bertha Thrice by Derbertha Bells, dam Abbie McNutward by Guy McKinney; bl f Columbertha by Arner, dam Madsie McNutward by Madison McKinney.

W. A. Perley's b c Pietro Ghisleri by The Proof, dam Belle by Kinney Lou.

Mrs. Sadie L. Porter's br c by The Bondsman, dam Yu Tu by R. Ambush.

Ryan & Webster's b c by Frank Perry, dam Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon.

A. L. Scott's br f by Wilbur Lou, dam Weatewater by Sidney Dillon; ch f by Wilbur Lou, dam Lady Nez by Nutwood Wilkes.

Chas. F. Silva's br f by Palo King, dam Ramona by Demonio; ch c by Teddy Bear, dam Camille by Stam B.; ch f by Teddy Bear, dam Polka Dot by Mendocino; bl f by Moko Hall, dam Sis. to Teddy Bear by Del Coronado; b c by Montbaine, dam Madeline Marshall by Demonio.

Alfred Solano's foal by Copa de Oro, dam Lady H. by Del Coronado.

R. A. Stevenson's bl c Leland Directly by Directly, dam Little Jet by Berneer.

Jas. Stewart's ch c by Copa de Oro, dam Easter D. by Diablo.

C. F. M. Stone's b c Don Carlitos by Carlokin, dam Cora Jane by Del Coronado.

W. A. Stow's b f Alconda Girl by Alconda Jay, dam Salinas Girl by Nutwood Wilkes.

Sutherland & MacKenzie's b c Rhyolite by F. S. Whitney, dam Rubelle by Del Coronado.

L. B. Taylor's b f Olivet by Yoncalla, dam Yolanda by McKinney.

L. H. Todhunter's foal by Peter McKlyo, dam Osmuda by Bon Voyage; foal by Peter McKlyo, dam Sweet Bow by Bon Voyage; ch c Ted Watts by General Watts, dam Zombell by Zombro.

Dr. I. L. Tucker's b c Tommy Tucker by Earthquake, dam Babe T. by Rajah.

Valencia Stock Farm's foal by Pegasus, dam Rosie by McKinney.

F. W. Wadham's br c Adam Treat by Prince Ansel, dam Johanah Treat by Thos. Rysdyk.

D. W. Wallis' br f Eline by El Angelo, dam Record Searcher by Searchlight; b c Robert Mc by El Angelo, dam Annie McKinney by McKinney.

Geo. L. Warlow's b f Cora's Policy by Best Policy, dam Cora Wickersham by Junio.

Alex. M. Wilson's br c Kewpie by Carlokin, dam The Blonde by Strathway.

Woodland Stock Farm's br f Hilda Ansel by Prince Ansel, dam Bonhilda by Moko; b c True Serpol by True Kinney, dam Serpolo by Mendocino; b c Boniska by Bonaday, dam Oniska by Nutwood Wilkes; b c Silver Ansel by Prince Ansel, dam Silver Haw by Silver Bow.

M. L. Woy's br f Expressive B. by Expressive Mac, dam Loma B. by Stam B.

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McMyrtle, sire of the trotter John Gwynne 2:11¼, etc., is getting a nice business at Nicasio in the establishment of Dolcini & Dolcini, as the choicest mares in the Petaluma district are being mated with him.

HOW TO BECOME A SECRETARY.

Editor The Horseman:—Have just been elected secretary of a prominent fair association, but as I know little about the business and that little was gathered from newspaper work, I write to ask for a few pointers as to how to make myself the most popular secretary of all tracks. I feel that with your help, I can make myself successful, as I have a good gift of gab and can hand out the soft stuff without effort or with regard to the truth. Thanking you in advance, I remain, M. O. Neygrabber.

Your communication calls for a lot of thought, because there are many popular secretaries, but still more unpopular ones, and should a vote be taken from among the drivers and spectators after your first meeting, you will be surprised at how many things you have done that have displeased individuals, in spite of the fact that you have made yourself a slave to everybody and have changed your mind whenever asked.

From the standpoint of those who paid admission to see your fair, you have become unpopular for many things that transpired, outside of your control. You should have known that they were going to happen and prevented them; you are paid to think of everything. It is an understood fact, that you knew that the trains bringing people into town would be late, and you also knew in advance, that there would be blocks on trolleys to the grounds; you should have run all of these cars yourself and you then would be in better touch with your patrons to receive their knocks,—the fact that you were out of sight made the grievance more gigantic. Then again, those women at the box office, who had misplaced their money and held a crowd back while they found it, you should be there and loan them the money and save the feelings of others in line. You should also be at the turnstiles and see that there is no crowding, as you could have handled the crowd better than the police.

Those wet grounds after a hard night's rain are all your fault, as you should have remained up all night and, as soon as the rain stopped, got a sponge and soaked the water up. The fair might have been over before you got through, but you were trying and would also have been knocked for getting in the way of some of those large farm-bred families from twenty miles inland. You should not allow the barkers to make the noise that jars the old folks' nerves, these barkers pay for the privileges of keeping quiet. See that all exhibitors give away free samples, it is a poor fair if you don't; when the races start it is an outrage to keep those people standing around the fence, you should have a free grandstand and provide a seat for everyone; of course this is easy, if nothing else is available, hand everyone a folding chair or even a newspaper, of course each person that receives a chair will be careful to bring it back and hand it to you, if not the chair, some loose talk. Stand at the gates when the people go out and receive their congratulations (?), you will be pleased at the varieties of the language they will hand you.

From the standpoint of the concession man, exhibitor or sideshow artist, you will be so popular that a dog catcher's job would be out of your reach when they get through voting. The popcorn man will not like you because you have rented the same privileges to one or more rivals, who are giving larger packages than he, and hence you are robbing him, when he expected to do the same honor to his patrons. Then again, the location of the stand does not suit him, but your most glaring fault, in his eyes, is, that you want his rent in advance; these fellows are all so honest (?) that you could afford to take a chance until the last day, and in the meantime, if he skips after the "big-day's" business, of course he will send you a check. To be popular with him, trust him for everything, and lay out your grounds so that everybody can have the same position.

Your exhibitors in the horse, cattle, needlework, fruit and other departments will also have their smiles congealed to order for you. They also want preferred positions, especially in the needlework department, and you will require a fourteen inch armor to come out of that department alive. The danger here is greater after the prize awards are announced. Many secretaries visit fruit and eats department during the first day and sample everything edible, this is often done to save money and taste "home cooking." Our advice is to stay out of here unless you are prepared to give every one first prize. You are personally responsible for the work of the judges, and "pound cake" that weighs two pounds should have its prize, as well as its lighter brethren, as it serves its purpose to demonstrate the difference.

The horse, cattle and chicken exhibitors are generally a husky lot and only one visit to them is deemed advisable and that also on the first day, before the prizes are awarded. These men know that you caused their train to be late, which gave the local exhibitors the choice of the best quarters. In adjusting differences with these men, you must not only please them, but every "no-account" that hangs around them. If you should happen to stroll down in these departments later in the week, take a lawyer or good "cusser" with you to tell them why that horse, bull or chicken, that had never been defeated before, was only awarded second choice (by the way, see that your "official cusser" has Jess Willard's weight and fighting abilities.).

We will now instruct you about conducting the racing department, and your real troubles commence, as you are the target for everybody connected with the horses entered, as well as the officials, not excluding that important gentleman, who poses all afternoon on horseback, wearing a badge and whose duty is to hurry out the horses, but instead he prefers to wave his hand to friends and watch the races, while the drivers are wondering when the next heat is to be called. This same gentleman, when he does decide to earn his sixteen bits per day, rides a cavalry charge around the stables, calling out a class, and unless the drivers are good mind readers, he sounds like a Chicago elevated railroad conductor calling stations; the words sound like a hybrid between red hot mush and a diseased palate. To be a good fellow you must call this "necessary evil" to one side, tell him he is going fine and hand him a cigar, after that he will go to the barns every fifth heat, instead of every third.

That individual that gets out of the crowd's way, by stationing himself down the stretch, with a piece of red canton flannel tacked to an old broom handle, is a very important individual, and you should take care in selecting him. He should be strong minded enough to speak his piece properly. Don't appoint one that takes until the next heat is started, to wobble to the stand and report a horse out, then when he gets there, stops to talk to his friends on the track, while the judges are trying to drown the band, in their efforts to attract his attention. When at last he consents to report, he shows partiality to the local horse, whom he lets in and an outside horse is distanced. One of those kind of men who thinks a horse is out, unless both horse and driver have passed him, then when questioned closely, measures about a foot between his hands, as to what position the horse was in when the flag dropped; the chances are he forgot he had a flag in his hand. You do not want this kind.

In appointing your judge's stand, of course, you know who is the most prominent man in your city and burg, particularly one that might do you some good in your private affairs, coax him to preside; experience is not necessary, just so he can be used. If you can secure all personally useful friends, you are doing fine, as you are sure to eat regularly during the following winter. Never mind the remarks made by the horsemen on your selection, they must race under these men or be suspended. Your starter generally comes from out-of-town and has been recommended by several of the no-account drivers, whom he has favored in the past. Thus you have a model (?) and imposive set of officials that will heighten your popularity in the racing world. Now commence to race.

Your entry lists, which were mailed out several weeks or months in advance, we will say have brought you in a fair return, considering the fact that but few of the horsemen knew you, but took a chance at annexing some of your money. Some of these entries may have arrived several days after the closing date, or even the night before, so be careful to destroy the envelopes in which they arrived, as some inquisitive driver may protest the entry and you have thus destroyed the evidence, knowing full well that these late entries will start. Then again the entry may be enclosed in an envelope that has been intentionally mutilated around where the post-mark will go, so that the date of mailing cannot be deciphered; accept this also. Western Union Telegraph blanks were used for this purpose, several years ago, as the post-mark could not be seen under a magnifying glass, and many entries were obliged to be accepted, so you see you are doing nothing out of the way in destroying envelopes.

About the only time these late stamped envelopes are good, is when you have a grudge to settle with those interested in the horse, or else you want some excuse not to start the race, they are invaluable then for declaring off. Some secretaries who only have a few horses named, enter these in every class on the program, fill in the entry blanks to that effect and then try to hold the horses for the entrance; these cases seldom go through when taken before the parent associations, so don't try it the first year, wait until you have the game more in hand. Entries that are handed to you without mailing come in the same class as those received in afterwards destroyed envelopes.

Some secretaries make themselves strong with the drivers by promising to relieve them of paying on non-starters and then sending in the suspensions; this is good business for the association but a poor way to secure entries next year. However, you can promise anything and poor memory is not a state prison offense. When a driver's feelings have been hurt by your judges, because they punished him for something somebody else did, you must drop all work and go to the stand and demand the withdrawal of the punishment. In cases of this kind, you must have an understood fact with your officials that you are going to do this, they then look wise and say "We will consider the matter." The driver goes away happy, thinking you are the best fellow in the world. He comes to you later in the day or later in the week, and you stall him back to the judges. He then begins to realize what you are, but the rules forbid him telling you or the judges his thoughts in plain words.

After the races are over, pay the winners in checks and never have any money around to cash these checks, tell the holders of them that the rules of the association forbid cashing them and instruct them to cash them at the local bank next day; of course some of the horsemen may want to ship out that night, but what need you care for the extra expense they are put to, you are through with them for that year.

See that your local feed men are paid, also your stall rent, before the horses are allowed to leave. Then commence to make out your suspensions so that the money can be collected at the next town. Then go away for a health trip for a short time. This is fashionable and popular with hard worked secretaries. If during the meeting you want to pose, with out danger from the crowds, parade up and down the track, visiting the judges' stand often and once in awhile take up the megaphone and make an announcement. Those who do not know you will say "Who is that?" and the answer will be, "That's the secretary."

Most secretaries, however, prefer to keep under cover; to do this, they have an office, in which they bury themselves, and all inquiries are answered by employees and only the elite are allowed the supreme honor of addressing his majesty.

With these few pointers we will dismiss the subject, hoping with one year's ripe experience, you will give up the idea of being the "most popular" secretary and content yourself with emulating the ordinary "hail-fellow-well-individual," who is always trying to do the best he can, while under the strain of being nagged by officious presidents and idea-suggesting boards of directors, so good luck to you and may the world look as rosy after your first experience as it does now.—W. H. Shields in The Horseman.

MILWAUKEE AND THE MATINEES.

Milwaukee, May 8, 1915.

Milwaukee, the pioneer in the movement now spreading all over the United States to foster horse racing on public tracks by gentlemen owners, is preparing for another active season for this idea, which originated in Milwaukee and has been in successful operation for eight years, the season soon to open being the ninth.

In some cities the movement has started with the setting apart of broad boulevards for straightaway tracks, in some others the movement has so far developed as to cause a demand for a public circular track.

Milwaukee's horse racing by a private club has attracted so much attention that in Washington Park there is now a public half mile track, the equal of any track in Wisconsin.

Eight years ago Milwaukee horsemen conceived the idea of building a public race track, within the city limits, where free racing matinees could be staged, and the course conducted under the direct supervision of the city. Before this, Cream City horse owners held an occasional meet at the state fair park, to which admission was charged. Milwaukee, although it had never been rated as much in racing circles, patronized the matinees and the result was a paying venture. Later the Milwaukee driving club was organized, but soon died out for lack of spirit.

In 1905 the Washington Park driving club, now one of the best and largest gentlemen's driving clubs in the country, was incorporated. Plans were laid at once for a public course, and a request was made to the common council for an appropriation to buy a tract of land within the city where weekly meets could be staged.

After a year of urging, the common council finally gave $2,500 towards building a course at Washington Park, the finest park of the city and within the city limits. Two car lines run direct to the park. The course was mapped out in 1906, on a strip of vacant land at the extreme end of the park, and the first matinee was staged early in November. Although the temperature hovered around the zero mark, 5,000 were present on the opening day. No grandstand had been erected and the spectators were compelled to stand around the track. Two more matinees were staged before snow fell.

The next year the horsemen made a request for $10,000 with which to build a grandstand for the track. They showed where an average of 6,000 persons visited the park each Sunday during the summer for the express purpose of seeing the racing matinees, but the common council refused to grant an appropriation. The driving club went along staging its matinees weekly, and attracting more spectators each Sunday.

In 1910 the average weekly count at the track totaled 9,000 and then the common council set aside $10,000 for a grandstand. This was erected last season. Immediately the weekly attendance increased, until now 15,000 are present at each matinee.

It is the popular pastime for Milwaukee on Sunday afternoons. Workmen with their families make an afternoon of it at the park, and hundreds of automobile parties line the stretch each Sunday. Baseball is the only sport that has more admirers, and racing followers are increasing by leaps and bounds.

As a result of this success the common council, without any urging, granted an additional $10,000 to erect a roof over the grandstand and to build stalls for the horses.

The Washington Park Driving Club, backed by public sentiment, is responsible for the success of racing in Milwaukee. All of the horsemen competing in the matinees own and drive their own horses and bear the expense of the upkeep. The city takes care of the track, and this expense does not total over $500 each season.

When the course was built the driving club had thirty-three horses on its roster. Now ninety-two trotters and pacers take their turn showing before the public. No cash prizes are given the winners. The horses making the best showing for the season are awarded silver loving cups, donated by Milwaukee business men. Milwaukee was the first city to open a race track free to the public, and has found it a very profitable venture.

WARREN B. BULLOCK.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

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BOOK OF ENGLISH DOGS.

The earliest known treatise on dogs written in English is a translation of a Latin book by John Caius or Keys, doctor of physic in the University of Cambridge, and better known as the second founder of Gonville and Caius College. It was translated by Abraham Fleming, described as a student, and first printed in 1576, a few years after Caius' death. It was apparently written in answer to a request from Gesner, the Swiss naturalist, for some information on the subject of English dogs, which he wished to incorporate in one of his treatises on natural history. The author divides his subject into three heads, distinguishing the different kinds of dogs according to their use; "a gentle kinde, serving the game," "a homely kinde, apt for sundry necessary uses," and "a currish kinde, meete for many toyes." There are further sub-divisions; for example, the "gentle kinde" includes hunting dogs, or those that "chase the beast," and fowling dogs, or those that "take the byrde." Several different breeds of each are again distinguished, of the former according as they excel in "perfect smelling," "quicke spying," and so forth, and of the latter according as they are used to find the game on land or water.

The style of the English version, with its apt and racy language, its nicely balanced antitheses and rhyming and alliterative phrases, is typically Elizabethan; but it is always clear and direct, and free from the affectations and exaggerated ornament so often found in the prose of the period. Among the hunting dogs the chief breeds mentioned are the harrier, the terrier, the greyhound ("a spare and bare kinde of dogge"), the bloodhound, the gazehound, so called "because the beams of his sight are so stedfastly setted," and the limer or leash-hound, which takes its prey "with a jolly quickness." The account of the blood hound occupies most space, and examples are given of its sagacity in tracking not only the game, but also "such pestilent persons as plant their pleasure in practices of purloining." The "fowling dogs" that work on land are comprised in two classes: spaniels, a general name for all those whose duty it is to search out and spy the bird, and setters, which are used to entrap birds which are to be taken in a net. The setter, a silent dog, stealthily approaches the nest of the bird, and when he has found it, lies down to mark the place until the fowler arrives. The dog then moves and startles the bird, which in attempting to escape is entangled in the net. The author appears to fear that his friend will hardly believe a dog to be capable of such cunning, and supports his words by a further example of animal intelligence.

A somewhat different breed is used to take duck and other waterfowl. The duty of this dog, the water spaniel, is to discover the bird's haunts, to retrieve the wounded ones from the water, and to find and bring back arrows which have missed their mark. As for the dog called a "fisher," mentioned by Boethius as catching fish by smelling about the rocks in a stream, Caius confesses that he knows none of the kind in England, but promises to pass on to his friend any information he may obtain on the subject. Among the "gentle kinde" he also includes the "Spaniel-gentle, or comforter," though this is not used for hunting, but is merely sought for to "satisfie the delicatenesse of daintie dames, and wanton women's wills." These are evidently toy dogs, for the object is to breed them as small as possible, and the author's scorn of women who pamper the little creatures and lavish on them the affection they should bestow on their children shows him to be a true dog-lover. He admits, however, that even toy spaniels have their uses. "Though some suppose that such dogges are fiyt for no service, I dare say, by their leaves, they be in a wrong boxe." "These little dogges are good to asswage the sickness of the stomacke, being oftentimes thereunto applyed as a plaster preservative, or borne in the bosom of the diseased and weake person. Moreover, the disease and sickness changeth his place and entered into the dogge."

Dogs of the "homely kinde" are classified into those which help man in dealing with other animals, such as the shepherd's dog, and those which protect him against "mischiefous men," such as the bandog or mastiff. The author, in traveling from place to place, has often reined in his horse at the sound of a shepherd's whistle, and stayed to watch the dog collect the sheep together and drive them to his master. This dog is not of a large or strong breed, for he has no very fierce enemies to encounter, since wolves were exterminated in this country by an edict of King Edgar, in the tenth century. From that time none has been seen in England except those brought over from beyond the seas, "for greedynesse of gaine and to make money, for gasing and gaping, staring, and standing to see them, being a straunge beast, rare, and seldom seen in England." The mastiff, one would imagine, is his favorite dog. "It is a kinde of dogge capeable of courage, violent, and valiunt, striking could feare into the harts of men, but standing in feare of no man." It is generally kept tied up in the daytime, lest it should injure innocent people, or at least frighten them by its fierce barking. But though Cicero was of opinion that dogs that bark in broad daylight should have their legs broken, our countrymen think differently, and in the night they allow the mastiff to roam at will, to protect their houses from thieves and vagabonds. The strength of these dogs is such that three or four of them will kill a bear, a bull, or even a lion. It is said that Henry VII. was so much displeased at the thought that an "yll-faured rascall curre" should attack the king of beasts, that he ordered all such dogs to be hanged. To sum up their disposition in a few words, they "love their masters liberally, and hate straungers despightfully"; and their fidelity is such that though they may have failed to save their master's life against superior odds, they will remain by the dead body for days, never deserting it unless some opportunity offers of tracking down the murderers. Their intelligence is equal to their courage, and many a man owes his life to the vigilance of his dog. "There was no fayntyng faith in that Dogge, which, when his master by a mischaunce in hunting, stumbel and fell, toppling downe a deepe dytche, being unable to recover himselfe, the Dogge signifying his master's mishappe, reskue came." Others have saved the lives of whole households by giving warning of fire, and some will not allow burning coals to lie scattered about the hearth, but rake them together with their paws, or if the cinders are too hot to touch, cover them with ashes before moving them.

Of the "currish kinde," or mongrels, the author has little to say. They include the Warner or Wappe (so-called from his barking wau! wau! to warn the household of the approach of a stranger), the turnspit, and the dancer, a performing dog which accompanies strolling players and vagabonds. Probably these are not three distinct breeds, but merely different names given to any kind of mongrel, according to the use to which it is put. A few other kinds not native to England are mentioned, such as that bred from a dog and a wolf; and one or two which are quite common at the present day.

Not the least interesting part of the book is the supplement in which the author gives the derivation of the names of the various breeds of dogs, for the benefit of his friend, who did not understand English. He derives "hound" (hunde) from "hunt," because it is the dog used for hunting. He admits that the similarity between the name and the German hund would suggest that there is some connection between the two; but as the German word is a general name for all kinds of dogs, while the English "hound" is restricted to an especial class, he inclines to the belief that the latter is derived from the use to which the dog is put, by the simple process of changing one letter to another, namely, "t" into "d." Equally ingenious are the derivations of "greyhound" from the Latin gradus, because he is the dog of highest degree, "being simply and absolutely the best of the gentle kinde," and of the ban-dog, so-called because he is at his master's commandment (ban).

FRENCHIES, PEKES AND JAPS.

Champion Noswal Nabob, owned by Charles N. Devault of Pittsfield, Mass., was judged the best dog at the recent seventh annual specialty show given by the French Bull Dog Club of America in New York. The contest for the chief honor of the show was between the winner and Gamin's Rival, the latter being easily the best of the class winners, but Nabob, entered in only the special classes, beat out Rival on head points. Especially in the foreface was Nabob the best, and it is the foreface that is the chief factor in French bulls.

One of the surprises of the show was the defeat of Mrs. C. C. Valentine's General Hunk's Poiret, which took the blue in the winner's class at the last Westminster Kennel Show at Madison Square Garden. Hunk's Poiret did not even get a place in the class for American-bred dogs, where he was entered.

The show this year was peculiar in two features—one that the dogs were of an inferior grade, being too big and coarse, and the other that the miniatures, it is claimed, were the best ever shown at a French Bull Dog Club show. The bitches were better than those usually shown, and Dr. M. D. Littig's Chablis and Jeunet, winners in the dog puppies and bitch puppies, were the best shown in produce stakes for several years, and were typical Frenchies. A new exhibitor this year was Miss Vera G. Bloodgood, daughter of H. J. Bloodgood. Miss Bloodgood entered Brackenside Ripette in three classes, and received two blues and a red ribbon, and in addition her entry was adjudged the third best bitch in the show, which is a remarkable achievement for a miniature. E. M. Dodge's Ch. Nellicote Gamin, 12 years old and famous as a winner, took the blue in the class for veteran dogs and bitches over five years old. Another dog which caused much interest at the show was Stephen C. Baldwin's white bull Ermine, which was shown by Mrs. Charlotte McClure, and took first in open dogs and bitches.

Frederic Poffet had seven entries and every one won a ribbon, he also received the blue for the best brace and the best team in the show. Nearly 150 dogs were benched, the entry being larger than at any other of the club's shows.

Boo Goo of Croydon, an American-bred Pekingese, carried off the honors for the best dog in the show of either sex at the semi-monthly exhibition of the Toy Dog Club of New York, held last month.

There were over sixty entries, and almost a dozen breeds represented. The Pekingese made the best showing, and had by far the largest number of followers. Boo Goo of Croydon not alone was adjudged the best in the show, but he won in all the classes in which he was entered, among them being the American-bred dogs, limit, open and winning classes. The blue for the best Pekingese bitch went to Mrs. H. A. Baxter's Aig Tarza. Mrs. Tobey's Aig Shausi carried off the first in the class for American-bred bitches.

Miss Lena Schilling captured the honors in the majority of the Pomeranian classes. Her Black Prince V. won the ribbon for the best of the breed shown, and the same owner's Sable Princess was the best female puppy. Ch. Tom Thumb, owned by Miss Clarise Lithaur, besides receiving the reserve to Boo Goo of Croydon for the best in the show, took the blue for the best English Toy dog exhibited.

The best Japanese spaniel was a handsome bitch named Kato entered by Mrs. George Lott. She had not a difficult field to beat, but was much superior to the other entries.

MATING AND SHOWING.

[By Rodney Stone.]

For the benefit of those people who are new to the game, the following hints are given. It is essential to the production of a strong and healthy litter of puppies that at the time of mating, both parents should be in a state of sound health. This means that they should not be fat, but, on the contrary, in a tough, lean condition. The chances for a successful union are considerably reduced when the dog and bitch are overfat, and if the mating prove successful, it is fairly certain that the puppies will not be strong as they should be in order to make a proper start in life. Overfeeding, or unsuitable feeding, are both responsible for many canine ailments and diseases, and when associated with a lack of proper exercise, so often met with, it is unreasonable to expect litters of strong, healthy puppies. Another point for close observance and attention is that both dogs should be as free as possible from worms at the time of union. These internal parasites have the effect of reducing the strength and vitality of their hosts and their expulsion is imperatively necessary in the interests of the expected puppies. A further point for attention is the fact that, if the mating is made in hot weather, the dogs should be brought together at daybreak, after they have had a night's rest, and when they are at the top of their physical condition. This is a better method than to mate the dogs after sundown, and for this reason. If joined at the close of a hot day, the dogs have not recovered from the slackness and lassitude consequent on the heat, and are therefore not at their best physically. On the other hand, after they had a good sleep, they are at their best in the cool of the morning—stronger physically than at any other time of the day—and are at their best for mating purposes.

An important item connected with the showing of dogs is that they should be trained to the showing. At many shows I have attended dogs were noticed which sadly lacked the necessary preparation, with the result that they did not give their owners a good and proper run. For instance, take Pomeranians. With these little dogs, gait and tail carriage are important points, yet it is quite a common thing to notice dogs that strain on the lead, or hang back, so that they have to be practically dragged along, both of which disabilities either completely destroy or considerably alter that dainty, trotting action which is part of the Pomeranian character. With this bad action a dropped tail is frequently found associated, than which nothing could more effectively destroy the chances of the dog with the judge, who cannot be expected to bother about a dog that is faulty in action and which moves round with a dropped tail. The dog won't show himself, and, if he doesn't, the judge can't estimate his value. The Pom. that moves round the ring with quick, dainty steps, and with tail carried well over his back, will almost always catch the judge's eye, even if he is only otherwise of average quality, and the dog that catches the judge's eye has made a good start. The bright, daintily moving Pom., with a good tail carriage, and who gets about as though he enjoys his life to the full, asks for the money directly he enters the ring, and will almost always score over the dog of better body and coat, if the latter moves badly and drops his tail. Training does it, and the Pom. that has a nice action and well-carried tail will often win, even though he has a long body, because his owner will so work him on the lead as to send him round with his head well up, which has the effect of appearingto shorten the back. Yes, training is an important matter, which is not given that serious consideration, generally speaking, that it deserves. The man who wants to win nowadays must train his dogs. He should secure a thorough sympathy between the dog and himself, after which he should put the dog on

the lead and take him about in those places where he will meet numbers of people and hear lots of noise. This treatment, if persisted with, will cause the dog to behave properly in the show-ring, because the people about will not upset him. But, in a few words, the well-trained dog will often beat a better-quality dog if the latter is untrained, and, this being the case, the fanciers should pay greater attention to the matter of show-ring education.

TOY DOG ASSOCIATION ELECTION.

The annual election of officers for the Pacific Coast Tay Dog Association took place in the green room at the St. Francis Hotel last week in this city and resulted in the selection of well-known dog fanciers from all parts of the State.

The officers elected were: Miss Lydia K. Hopkins of Menlo Park, president; Mrs. Leon L. Roos of San Francisco, first vice-president; Mrs. F. M. Connor of Pasadena, second vice-president; Mrs. D. T. Murphy of Burlingame, third vice-president; Mrs. C. J. Lindgren of Burlingame, secretary, and Miss Vera Lindgren of Burlingame, treasurer. The board of directors includes Mrs. Timothy Hopkins of Menlo Park, Leon L. Roos of San Francisco, Miss Mabel Lindgren of Burlingame, Mrs. Lorenzo Avelani of San Francisco, J. S. Severance of San Francisco, Dr. S. I. Wyland of Santa Rosa and M. S. Harris of San Francisco.

CARIBOU AND MOOSE.

The Alaskan caribou inhabit the treeless and semi-treeless parts of Alaska, including the bare mountain ridges of the interior, and the open rolling tundras of the coast from the Arctic to the Pacific side of the Alaska Peninsula, where the so-called reindeer moss on which they largely feed is most abundant.

They scatter widely in summer and in the fall collect in large herds, but at all times they roam widely. The great herds in the fall of the year perform a more or less regular movement in the nature of a migration, and within certain limits their course of travel and times of arrival at given points are well known. Except on the Alaska Peninsula caribou are very scarce on the shores of Bering sea, where formerly abundant, having been driven out or extirpated. Their place is being taken by the reindeer, which is practically a domesticated caribou.

The Alaska moose is the largest member of the deer family in the world, exceeding in size the moose of Eastern North America and the elk of the old world. They are generally distributed throughout the timbered portion, except in the Southeastern coast region, where they are absent. On the Alaska peninsula they range to the limit of timber and in the north and west likewise reach the edge of the tundra. They range above timber line, but most of their time is spent in the woods at moderate elevations, or in river bottoms with ponds and dense growth of willow and alder. The calves are born during May and June and follow the cows until the next spring or later. Beyond doubt they are most abundant on the Kenai peninsula and attain a larger size, but they are also fairly common near Circle City and many less known localities.

FISH LINES.

Up to the middle of the present week the angling fraternity have been baffled by a most unusual rainy season in May. Coast rivers and creeks, mountain streams and their tributaries a week ago were high and muddy and not at all fishable. Safe to say, every angler out last Sunday received a thorough soaking, for it rained heavily on most fishing creeks in this part of the State. Conditions for tomorrow are a bit improved, but roads in many sections are impassable.

The opening days of the Sierra angling season were handicapped in many sections by rainy and stormy weather conditions. Nevertheless, here and there, good catches have been reported. Most of the trout have been taken on baited hooks, some with the spinning spoon, and a fair percentage with fly patterns. A brief resume of doings a fortnight ago of the rodsters may be of some assistance to the angling enthusiasts eager to prospect trout waters when conditions have improved.

First of all ,the Truckee river has the right of line among the mountain anglers. May 1 the river was low and clear during the cold weather spell. W. L. Gerstle and T. C. Kierulff found fly fishing conditions very fair in the river near Union Mills, where the San Francisco Fly Casting Club members enjoy the sport. James Thomson and George Osgood had grand luck on the opening day. Bait fishing, however, is the proper caper along the river near Truckee.

Near Boca good catches were made, according to advices from A. D. Miller to Charley Breidenstein. H. Dorgeloh and A. Wilkinson had several days of extra good luck—limits each time out and a number of trout weighing a pound were landed.

George Roberts, a local enthusiast, who recently fished in the "fresh water lagoon," about forty miles above Eureka, landed a fine catch of both steelhead and cutthroat trout, fish running from eight to fourteen inches. This fishing water is regarded by good anglers as the finest steelhead trout fishing lagoon on the Coast. The resort is about 1½ hours by auto from Eureka, over a good road. Mrs. J. M. Vance, Etta Vance, Fred Houck, Milt Carson, and other Eureka anglers have drawn pleasing trout dividends from the lagoon this season.

It is reported that there are plenty of trout in the creeks of the eastern part of Calaveras county. The opening days were cold and disagreeable, but the sport should be now much improved, particularly in the vicinity of Murphys. Quite a few limits have been caught in the Stanislaus river. Good sized trout up to fourteen inches are said to be fairly plentiful. Bait fishing is the style at present, but the fly lure will be in vogue as soon as the sunshiny days come on.

The early creeks are the San Antone, O'Neils and Caldwell creeks, near Sheep Ranch, Murphys, San Domingo and Peppermint creeks, in the eastern belt. Later, when machines can reach the Big Trees, Avery and Dorrington, the branches of Love creek, Moran creek, San Antone, San Domingo and Little Mokelumne will be the favorite waters.

Feather river reports were most encouraging early in the season. At Big Bar, or Pulga, as the postal authorities know it, Alfred Grunewaldt, W. R. King and other anglers had no trouble in getting daily limits of trout running from eight to fourteen inches in size. Near Belden good fishing was found in Milk, Chambers, Yellow, Mesquite and other creeks. Near Camp Rodgers the river was somewhat high and roilly, but should be in proper shape now. A. P. McEwen was successful in landing a nice catch two weeks ago in the river.

Lagunitas lake has been well patronized by local anglers since May 1. O. Fincke, A. Beach and R. Spahn caught limits of nice sized fish this week. Dave Hearfield, Harold Hearfield, Dr. W. B. Sharp, Dr. Hawk, W. H. Tubbs, Fred Tobelman, Baldo Ivancovich, Charley Breidenstein, Ed Armstrong, Carl Westerfeld, Sam Wells, Swat Terrill and other good fishermen have taken a liberal toll of trout from the lake. The killing fly patterns have been March brown, grizzly king, a black hackle with a thin black, silk body, and a pale olive dun.

Good black bass fishing is reported on the Cosumnes river and the entire forecast for sport with this game fish is an optimistic one.

At the Traps

Trap Shooting Handicaps.—Generally speaking, trap shooting is as purely amateur as any sport in the long category. Yet it is a game of pool with a division of money prizes from those pools. Primarily on account of the very considerable expense attending participation in it, this division of money from pools is winked at by all other governing athletic bodies, and no man loses his amateur standing because he accepts a division of the pools. In this respect it is like the pools of the golf links.

Trap shooting is governed by the Interstate Association for the Encouragement of Trap Shooting, an organization which has it headquarters at Pittsburgh, because its ruling spirit, Elmer E. Shaner, has his residence there. There are kept the records on which the handicaps are based. Those records are as carefully compiled as are those of professional ball players, of amateur golfers, of tennis players, of the performances of harness race horses or thoroughbreds, at the respective headquarters of the governing bodies of each of those sports. On those records are based the handicaps under which men shoot at all the sectional contests, The Interstate and State contests, and the crucial test of all trap shooters, the Grand American Handicap.

There is no sport which is better organized or better conducted, from the point of handicapping, than trap shooting. Averages of all monthly shoots are the basis from which the handicaps are worked out. As the records are officially registered and published annually, a novice with a good head for figures can work out the problem as to whether a given shooter shall fire from scratch or from the 20 yard line, or at any of the intervening points. The rules for handicapping are as inviolable as the laws of the ancient Medes and Persians were said to be. Monthly revision keeps them thoroughly up to date. So keen are the trap shooters to always do their best that it is to their credit that there is almost never a charge of a trap shooter "dropping" at any of the regular shoots in order to get a better figure in a handicap.

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Postponed Shoot.—The Moraga Valley Gun Club shoot billed for May 9 was postponed until Sunday, June 13, by reason of inclement weather. At that about a dozen gun bugs braved the rain and cut loose on the clay birds.

Fred H. Burnham, of Martinez, tied with W. G. Warren, of Tonopah, on a total of 23 out of 25 in the first event shot. Each man scored 24 in the shoot off, Burnham then won the cup with 24 to 23 on the final smokeless powder argument. The other scores were: J. F. Dodds 21, Mrs. Ada Schilling 22, Chas. H. Knight 18, Otto Feudner 21, Harry Overbaugh 19, E. H. Forestier 15, Henry Stelling 21.

J. F. Dodds, of San Jose, scored 25 in the second event and annexed the cup trophy. The other scores were: Burnham 24, Warren 20, Mrs. Schilling 23, Knight 24, Feudner 21, Overbaugh 23, Forestier 20, Stelling 20. The matches were bird handicaps as follows: Burnham 2 birds, Dodds 1, Mrs. Schilling 2, Forestier 5 and 8, Stelling 1.

Had fair weather prevailed there would have been an attendance of eight to ten squads. The three cup trophies are handsome and worth shooting for. The third cup—and other inducements—will no doubt bring out a good attendance next month.

The grounds are most pleasantly situated and the background about all that can be desired. The shooters adjourned to Fred Parrish's residence near by, after the shoot, and were hospitably entertained. A committee of the shooters formulated a testimonial of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Parrish in appreciation of the pleasing entertainment they enjoyed. "Pop" Merrill and Fred Parrish should receive rousing support at the June shoot for their efforts in creating a new trap shooting resort. Merrill's address is 343 Thirteenth street, Oakland.

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Three Day Fusillade.—The San Jose Blue Rock Club's fifth registered shoot for May 29, 30 and 31 offers a fine program. First and second days—Ten 20 bird races, $2.00 entrance and $10.00 added for each event. Event 11, miss and out, $1.00 entrance. Optional sweeps on each 100 birds, both days, $2.00, divided 40-30-20-10. All events divided Rose system, 5-4-3-2, 4 moneys.

Third day—Four 50 target events, entrance $5, $15 added, in each race. Event 5, miss and out, entrance $1.00. Optional sweeps, $1.00 on each 25 birds—40-30-20-10.

An Interstate trophy will be given to the high gun amateur, also a trophy for high "pro." Two Ford championship medals open for California and Nevada shooters. All moneys and other trophies open to all. The first 100 targets on May 30 open for the lady championship of the Pacific Coast for 1915—solid gold medal to winner, any contestant may shoot for price of targets in this race.

May 31—Event 1, O. N. Ford championship of California, 25 singles (now held by Bob Bungay, Ocean Park, Cal.). Event 2, Interstate trophy event, 50 birds. Event 3, Three man team championship of Pacific Coast. Event 4, O. N. Ford championship of California, 25 pairs. The "Little Joker" is down for the wind-up spell. This shoot should draw a crowd sure.

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Webfoot Tournament.—The Oregon State tournament came off at Portland April 26 and 27, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club with 58 shooters participating.

L. Rayburn, of Portland, won the Oregon amateur championship with the good score of 98 out of 100. The second trophy was won by Pete O'Brien, 96; third, Frank Van Atta, 95; fourth, A. R. Wilson, 93; fifth, R. L. Spangle, 92, F. Temppleton 92, Charles Leith 92.

F. M. Troeh, of Vancouver, Wash., with 382 out of 400, was high average for the tourney. Jim Seavey, of Eugene, 278, and Frank Van Atta 374.

Hugh E. Poston led the "pros" with 386 out of 400, Les Reid 384 and Frank Riehl 382. The total scores follow:

State Championship, 150 birds—L. Rayburn, 98 out of 100; *H. E. Poston 98, *F. C. Riehl 96, R. H. O'Brien 96, *P. J. Holohan 96, J. A. Dague 96, F. Van Atta 95, F. M. Troeh 94, *L. H. Reid 94, C. E. McKelvey 94, *J. P. Bull 94, A. R. Wilson 93, T. Templeton 92, R. L. Spangle 92, C. Hilgers 92, Chas. Leith 92, *E. B. Morris 92, L. Hargove 92, W. W. Caldwell 91, J. W. Seavey 91, M. Siddall 90, M. Richard 90, C. E. Feller 89, E. E. Young 89, H. F. Wihlon 89, O. D. Thornton 87, E. H. Keller 87, P. P. Nelson 86, Al. Eeguin 86, W. K. France 86, A. Blair 85, W. R. Allin 85, E. A. Bean 84, R. R. DeArmond 84, *C. W. McKean 82, A. W. Strowger 82, H. R. Everding 81, J. A. Addleman 79, Earl R. Goodwin 65, Miss Gladys Reid 63, C. Hargove 60, Mrs. Dolph 54.

Total scores shot, regular program 300 targets: *L. H. Reid 290, *H. E. Poston 288, F. Troeh 288, J. W. Leavey 287, *F. C. Riehl 286, *P. J. Holohan 286, P. P. Nelson 285, F. Van Atta 279, P. H. O'Brien 277, *J. P. Bull 273, L. Rayburn 275, H. Wihlon 273, M. Siddell 272, F. Templeton 272, C. E. McKilsey 271, *E. B. Morris 269, A. Riehl 268, J. A. Dague 268, A. Blair 264, *McKean 262, Chas. Leith 262, M. Rickard 262, Van Annon 261, C. E. Feller 260, *J. E. Reid 260, Con. Hilgers 259, J. A. Troeh 257, F. E. Butler 256, H. H. Veach 254, H. R. Everding 253, E. A. McBean 251, P. R. Alexander 249, E. W. Cooper 247, Ben. Bell, 247, W. G. Bullock 247, W. K. France 239, E. H. Keller 235, Al. Seguire 224, A. W. Strowger 217, E. E. Murphy 216, E. G. Hawman 216, A. G. Magers 196, F. O. Joy 183, J. K. Simpson 162. 195 targets, Gladys Reid 133. 150 targets—A. R. Wilson 137, W. R. Allin 127, E. L. Mathews 126, DeArmond 117, J. M. Donohew 117, L. E. Craswell 117, D. F. Allen 116, W. L. Woodcox 114, M. Rauw 111, M. D. Campbell 111. A. Woelen 69x90, E. E. Young 52x50, C. B. Handy 43x60, Mrs. O'Brien 36x60, Mrs. Keller 10x30.

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Newman Traps.—A practice shoot of the Newman Blue Rock Gun Club was held recently. Among the new beginners was "Bill" Lange, who broke 12 out of 25, not so bad. The scores were: E. R. Dixon, shot at 250, broke 176; F. Stevinson, 250—205; H. Lorenson 150—142, C. C. Huber 150—125, A. Hansen 150—121, S. C. Bell 125—112, C. Stamper 125—105, E. McCormick 100—71, Geo. Brown 75—48, J. R. See 50—37, A. J. Stevinson 50—23, Mrs. McCormick 50—13, W. Lange 25—12, D. Fair 25—9, W. G. Newsome 25—8, S. J. Reed 25—16.

Doubles, 12 pairs—S. C. Bell 20, H. G. Lorenson 18, F. Stevinson 11, C. Stamper 19, Geo. Brown 16.

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Galden Gaters.—The regular local blue rock snuffing out tomorrow will be the Golden Gate Gun Club's shoot at West Alameda station. Weather favoring, about 50 guns should be on the firing line.

Sacramento Bombardiers.—Scatter gun enthusiasts from different points will be in Sacramento Sunday, May 16, to compete with the crack shots of the Big Time Gun Club, which is increasing rapidly in membership and popularity. The club holds a shoot every other Sunday and the wives, sweethearts and friends of the members take a hand at the bang sticks, and several are becoming expert bird shatterers. The membership now totals 117.

Despite adverse weather conditions, an excellent shoot took place May 2. Although the cross winds were making the birds take all kinds of twists, fine scores were made.

In class 1, F. M. Newbert got 24 out of a possible 25. In class 2, M. Priest of Roseville led with 23 out of 25. First place honors went to Fred Ferris in class 3, with a score of 21 out of 25. E. L. Soule, with 19 out of 25, won in the fourth class, and William Dreher was the winner of the fifth class with 12.

E. L. Ilgner, Monte Newbert, H. E. Agbert, Ralph Jost, and W. C. Thielan were awarded DuPont silver spoons as winners in their respective classes at the preceeding shoot. In the double events E. L. Ilgner was first and M. Newbert second; L. Gorman and H. Tharp tied for third.

The new members joining in the last week are M. Silva, A. Lentz, M. Checchetini, W. Ogg, H. Heilbron and F. Cutting.

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Garden City Traps.—The San Jose Blue Rock Club held a regular shoot May 9, and the following scores were shot:

O. N. Ford, 94 out of 100; Dr. Barker 90, C. H. Nash 89, George H. Anderson 88, W. J. McKagney 80. C. Arques 75, John Guilbert 70, W. M. McCarthy 65.

Class A results—Dr. Barker, 287 out of 300; George H. Anderson 282, C. H. Nash 277, Mrs. Ada Schilling 276, R. C. Hogg 256.

Class B—E. W. Jacks, first; W. J. McKagney, second; Fred Schneider, third.

Class C—Clem Arques, first; H. H. Clark, second; John Guilbert, third; Fred Riegel, fourth.

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Southern Handicap—J. I. Chipley, Greenwood, S. C., won the Preliminary Handicap match at Memphis, Tenn., on Wednesday in the Southern Handicap of the Interstate Association, with 92 breaks out of a possible 100. Chipley shot from the 18-yard line. J. I. Austin, Monroe, La., won second place by breaking 19 out of 20 targets in a shoot-off with six other contestants who had scores of 91. I. Andrews, Spartansburg, S. C., who broke 18 in the shoot-off, was third.

Only amateurs competed for trophies. Walter Huff, Macon, Ga., was high professional, with 93.

A. B. Richardson, amateur, Wilmington, Del., made the largest run Wednesday, 58 straight breaks.

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Interstate Association Tournaments—

June 15, 16, 17—The Interstate Association's Tenth Western Handicap Tournament, St. Louis, Mo., under the auspices of the Missouri Athletic Association Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Western Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

July 8, 9, 10—The Interstate Association's Tenth Pacific Coast Handicap Tournament, San Diego, Cal., under the auspices of the Pastime Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Pacific Coast Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

August 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chicago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy, and the winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

May 18, 19—Washington State Tournament, under the auspices of the Seattle Trap Shooters Ass'n, Hugh Fleming, Secretary, Seattle Wash.

May 27, 28—Utah State Tournament, under the auspices of the Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n, A. R. Bain, Secretary, Salt Lake City.

May 29, 30, 31—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary, San Jose.

June 3, 4, 5—Annual Tournament of Rocky Mountain Interstate Sportsmen's Association, under auspices of Mile High Gun Club, Wm. M. Bowman, Secretary, Denver, Colo.

June 7, 8, 9—Sportsmen's Ass'n of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Ore.

July 1, 2—Vancouver Gun Club, C. A. Porter, Secretary, Vancouver, Can.

July 5—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President, Eureka, Cal.

July 5—Sunrise Gun Club, H. S. Hill, Secretary, Sunrise, Wyo.

July 5—Holbrook Gun Club, J. S. Hulet, Secretary, Holbrook, Ariz.

July 9, 10—Gem City Gun Club, Max Weick, Secretary, Laramie, Wyo.

July 10—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, W. S. Short, Secretary, Chehalis, Wash.

July 12—Rawlins Rod and Gun Club, H. Breitenstein, Secretary, Rawlins, Wyo.

July 12, 13, 14—Los Angeles Gun Club, Fred H. Teeple, Secretary, Venice, Cal.

July 19, 20, 21, 22—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary, Tacoma, Wash.

July 28, 29—Delta County Gun Club, Nick Powell and R. A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

August 10—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

DUPONT'S FIRST ANNUAL BEGINNER'S DAY FOR GUN CLUBS.

The DuPont Powder Company is announcing another shoot of interest to gun clubs and trapshooters generally which should be nearly as successful as the "Fred Gilbert Twentieth Anniversary Celebration" held in March. In every community where there is a gun club there are undoubtedly many men and women who would be glad to embrace the opportunity of joining the club and participating in the "Sport Alluring" if they could only get their courage up to the proper point. The object of the DuPont Powder Company's "First Annual Beginner's Day" is to make it easy for such interested men and women to get initiated into the grand order of trapshooters under the proper auspices.

An announcement of the event will be sent to the secretaries of all gun clubs who will be invited to participate in the shoot, which will be held in August and be nation-wide in its scope. A handsome bronze watch fob will be given each club by the DuPont Company to be used as a prize for the beginners. By "beginners" is meant men and women who have never before shot at clay birds. Under the rules prescribed by the DuPont Company covering the affair, each shooter is required to shoot at but 25 targets on beginner's day.

Unusual popularity for this event is predicted, and a great many club officials will welcome it as a means of reviving interest in their club by securing as members the friends of those who are already affiliated with their organization. The fob will be a reproduction of a photograph of Mr. Jack S. Fanning, pioneer trapshooter and for many years representative of the DuPont Power Company. Mr. Fanning is known throughout the country as one of the "Old Guard" in the trapshooting ranks, and as the most finished shooting instructor in North America. He has long advocated the use of the try-gun generally for the proper fitting of novices with guns, and for years has carried one for this very purpose, and thousands of shooters owe their shooting ability to the attention and skill displayed by Mr. Fanning in their behalf.

Gun club secretaries throughout the country should interest themselves in this great event, and write the DuPont Powder Co., Trapshooting Division, for further particulars.

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NEW RIFLE MATCHES ARRANGED.

A new National Match has been authorized by the National Board for Promotion of Rifle Practice of the War Department, and will be incorporated in the national events of the National Rifle Association of America. The executive committee of the association at its meeting in Washington last week formulated the rules for a national shooting competition for civilian rifle clubs on outdoor ranges, using the service rifle. This match will mean for civilians what the National Matches mean for the military services. The conditions of the match will be the same as the shooting code for civilian clubs. Each club will be represented by a team of ten riflemen and will shoot simultaneously all over the United States during the month of July under the supervision of officers appointed by the N. R. A. The War Department has donated a handsome trophy to represent the club championship and medals will be given the winning team in each class. After the scores are all in, the clubs will be divided according to the scores made in the classes, of 10 or 12 clubs each.

Another new match authorized by the committee was a small bore short range outdoor match. This will be organized as a league and each club will shoot ten matches. The shooting will be done at 100 yards, slow fire, and 50 yards rapid fire. This series of matches will begin the first of June.

The program of the annual matches to be held at Jacksonville, Fla., beginning October 8 was approved. Several important changes were made. In the Leech Cup match the 800 yard stage was abolished and in place of it 1200 yards was substituted, making the match 7 shots at 900, 1000 and 1200 yards. Hereafter any rifle with any kind of sights can be used in the match. The United Service Match team was cut down from 20 to 16 and changes were made in the selection of the team so that it will automatically select itself by counting the scores made by individuals in other matches. It was also decided that 75 per cent of all the moneys received in entrance fees will be returned to the competitors in the form of cash prizes.

A radical change in the method of selecting the winning team in all of the N. R. A. league matches was made, which allows of any team in any of the lower classes winning the championship if they can do so. Heretofore a team could not win higher than first place in the class in which it was listed.

Forty-three civilian rifle clubs, 4 college clubs and 9 school clubs were elected to membership and 5 life members were also elected. The resignations of Lt. Frank S. Berlin as State secretary for Louisiana, and of Maj. Wm. G. Ramsey, State secretary for Delaware, were accepted.

VISITING GUN BUGS WELCOME.

The Remington-UMC exhibit in the Palace of Manufactures, at the Panama-Pacific Exposition, is "a notable showing of modern firearms and ammunition—a revelation alike to sportsmen, sporting goods dealers and the layman." Mr. C. J. Schilling is in charge of the artistic "Red Ball" booth and will make a visit of inspection interesting and pleasing—time well spent.

TRADE NOTES.

Rem-UMC Notes.

Fifty members of the Big Time Club, of Sacramento, turned out on April 18. The four high guns shot Arrow shells. D. J. Ruhstaller and Monte Newbert tied with 23x25, while H. E. Odbert and Geo. Newbert tied for a close third, scoring 22x25.

At Washington, D. C., on May 1, W. C. Blundon broke 98x100; the first 50 straight from 16 yards, the second 48x50 from 19 yards. Joe Hunter broke 97x100, 49x50 from 16 yards, and 48x50 from 20 yards. Both shot Nitro Club shells, while E. W. Ford, shooting a Remington pump gun, broke 86 straight, and scored 99x100.

The Amateur Championship shoot of the New York Athletic Club was held on Travers Island, May 1. Of the 147 who participated, the five high men all shot Remington-UMC ammunition. Mr. G. L. Lyon, shooting a Remington pump gun and Arrow shells, scored 192x200. His score, beside winning for him the championship, also establishes a new record for this event.

Red "W" In the Rain.

Fred Burnham of the Alhambra Gun Club and J. F. Dodds of the Pastime Gun Club each won a cup trophy May 9 at the Moraga Valley shoot—and it was raining some—but that could not dampen the Red "W" get there shells.

Peters Points.

At Grundy Center, Iowa, April 27-28, Mr. H. C. Hirschy won second professional average, 382x400, with Peters shells.

Mr. W. D. Stannard, using Peters "steel where steel belongs" shells, won high professional average at Wolcott, Ind., April 29, score 187x200.

High amateur average at Coles, Ill., May 4, was won by Mr. Geo. Dearing of Shelbyville, Ill., using the "P" brand shells, score 141x150. High general average was won by Mr. H. W. Cadwallader, score 142x150, also with Peters shells.

Mr. C. A. Young, shooting Peters shells, was high professional at Peru, Ind., May 5, 195x200, and on the following day at Logansport was again high, 99x100. At the latter point second general average was won by Mr. W. D. Stannard with Peters shells, 98 x 100.

"T. Bill" Crosby, as he is familiarly known to thousands of trapshooters in all parts of the country and who is now a representative of The Peters Cartridge Company, gave at Moberly, Mo., May 4-5, an impressive demonstration of his ability to break clay targets and of the efficiency of his ammunition. Mr. Crosby was easily high over all contestants with the fine score of 298x300, using Peters Target shells. Mr. Crosby feels that he is going to have, this year, one of the best seasons of his shooting career.

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No. 7.	2:12 Class Trotting	1250
No. 15.	2:10 Class Pacing	1250
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Equally as important as these three principles, however, is the man behind them. Many men make a start to clear their farm of weeds but quit too soon. Often the campaign is stopped when success is in sight, and the weeds soon recover. Clearing a farm of weeds, especially perennials, is no easy task; it requires more than average intelligence and perseverance. If however, one decides on a systematic plan of attack based on these three principles, and sees this plan faithfully through to a finish, he can practically rid his farm of weeds, and this without a great amount of labor and expense.—Rural World.

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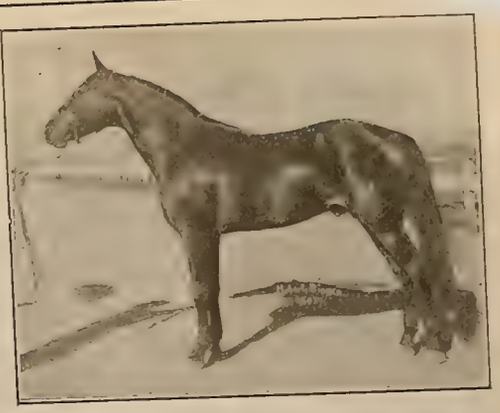
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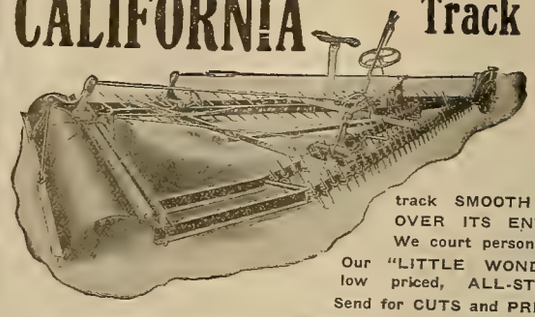
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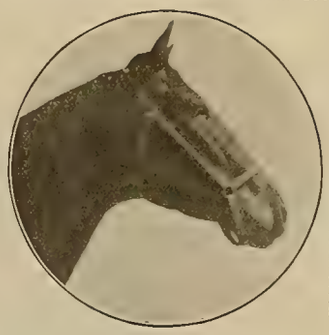
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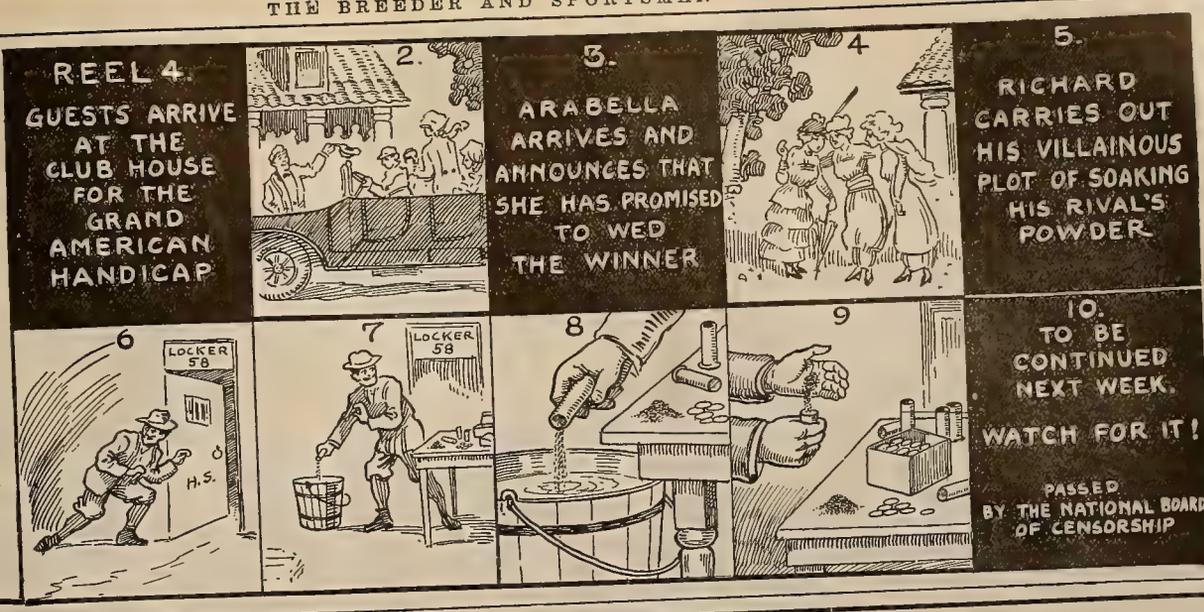
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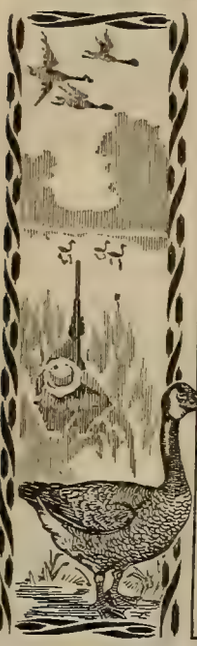
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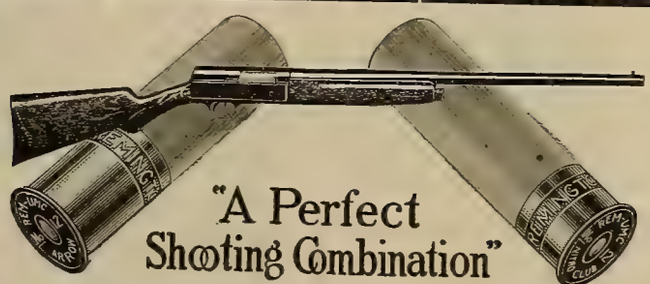
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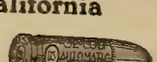
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THE OREGON STATE FAIR

SALEM, ORE., SEPT. 27-OCT. 2, 1915

Mile Track—National Trotting Ass'n.
All communications to
W. AL. JONES, Secretary,
Salem, Oregon.
All Events Except the One Mile Handicap Close June 1.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.

Two-Year-Old Trot, 2 in 3 ..... $300
2:10 Pace (Capital City Purse), three heats 700
2:25 Trot, three heats 600
One Mile Handicap Dash, Trot and Pace 500

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28.

2:15 Trot, three heats 700
2:18 Pace, three heats 700
3-Year-Old Trot (Oregon Futurity No. 5) closed 2,000

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29.

3-Year-Old Pace (Oregon Futurity No. 5) closed 1,500
2:30 Trot, three heats 500
2:08 Pace, Greater Oregon Purse, 3 in 5 2,000

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30.

2:20 Pace, three heats ..... $ 700
2:12 Trot, Lewis and Clark Purse, 3 in 5 2,000
2:15 Pace, State Fair Purse, 3 heats, 700

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1.

Free-for-All Pace, Oregon Mfgrs.' Purse, 3 in 5 700
2:20 Trot, Editors' Purse, 3 heats... 700
Two-Year-Old Pace, 2 in 3 heats.... 300

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2.

2:12 Pace, three heats 700
2:09 Trot, Shriners' Purse, 3 heats... 700
2:25 Pace, three heats 500

CONDITIONS.

All races, except the One Mile Handicap Dash, are early closing events, and close June 1. See Rule 2.

One Mile Handicap Dash for Trotters and Pacers: Handicap distances to be announced by the judges at 1:30 o'clock on the day of the race; standing start from pistol shot. Entries close September 14th. Five per cent to enter and five per cent from money winners.

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AUGUST 23-28

First Class Half-Mile Track — National Trotting Association.

Address all communications to
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All Events on Every-Heat-a-Race Plan.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 24.

2:15 Pace (June 1) $500
2:25 Trot (June 1) 500
Two-Year-Old Trot (Aug. 7) 200

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25.

Free-For-All Trot (June 1) $500
2:25 Pace (June 1) 500
Three-Year-Old Pace (Aug. 7) 200

THURSDAY, AUGUST 26.

2:18 Pace (Aug. 7) $500
2:20 Trot (Aug. 7) 500
Two-Year-Old Pace (Aug. 7.) 300

FRIDAY, AUGUST 27.

2:30 Trot (Aug. 7) $500
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Three-Year-Old Trot (Aug. 7) 200

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WALLA WALLA, WASH.
SEPTEMBER 13, 14, and 15, 1915.

Half-Mile Track—American Trotting Association.
All Events Close June 1.

Address all communications to
R. H. JOHNSON, Secretary,
Walla Walla, Wash.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13.

2:25 Trot—Old Plan Racing; purse, $750
2:18 Pace—Every-Heat-a-Race; purse 750

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14.

2:18 Trot—Every-Heat-a-Race; purse, 750
2:25 Pace—Old Plan Racing; purse, 750

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15.

2:15 Trot—Old Plan Racing; purse, $750
2:11 Pace—Every-Heat-a-Race; purse 750

CONDITIONS.

In all of the above events, which are all early closing, entry fees to be 5 per cent, payable 2 per cent with entry and 3 per cent before starting; 5 per cent to be deducted from money winners (1st 4). Ten horses required to enter and 5 to start.

THE WASHINGTON STATE FAIR

NORTH YAKIMA, WASHINGTON,
SEPTEMBER 20 to 25, 1915.

Mile Track—American Trotting Ass'n.
All communications to
FRANK MEREDITH, Secretary,
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All Events Close June 1.

TROTS

Two-Year-Old Trot, 2 in 3 ..... $200 (and added money)
Three-Year-Old Trot, 2 in 3 ..... 300 (and added money)
2:30 Trot, three heats 500
2:25 Trot, three heats 600
2:20 Trot, three heats 600
2:15 Trot, three heats 600
2:12 Trot, three heats 600
2:09 Trot, three heats 750

PACES

Two-Year-Old Pace, 2 in 3 ..... $200 (and added money)
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2:18 Pace, three heats 600
2:12 Pace, three heats 750
2:08 Pace, three heats 750
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SEPTEMBER 13-18, 1915

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All Races on Three-Heat Plan.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15.

2:11 Trot (Sept. 1) $750
2:15 Pace (June 1) 750

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16.

2:25 Trot (Sept. 1) 750
2:18 Pace (June 1) 750

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17.

2:18 Trot (Sept. 1) 750
2:25 Pace (June 1) 750

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18.

2:15 Trot (June 1) 750
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The Walla Walla Fair Association together with this Association will do everything possible to arrange for cars and service on the part of the railroad companies, so there will be no delay in getting horses to Spokane in plenty of time.

CONDITIONS

The closing date is stated in each schedule or in each event. Early events close June 1, when 1 per cent is payable and horse must be named; 1 per cent on July 1, and 1 per cent August 1. Deduction of 7 per cent from money winners. In early closing events fifteen entries will be required. Entrymen may declare out at any time, but must be paid up to date of declaration, and must declare out in writing.

Late events close fourteen days before the opening of each fair unless otherwise stated. Five per cent to enter with five per cent from money winners. Not less than seven entries required and five starters in each event.

Races designated as the "three heat plan" or "every-heat-a-race" end with the third heat and each heat is a race. Ten per cent of the whole purse or stake is held out to be divided 75 per cent to first horse which takes the record or mark, and 25 per cent to the second horse, according to summary of the three heats. The standing of the horses will be determined under "the old placing system." Thirty per cent of the whole purse is placed on each heat to be divided 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. Horses draw for position in each heat of the "three-heat-plan." If at the end of the three heats two horses are tied for the first money of the summary, they may be sent for a decisive heat, the two horses only participating, only winner getting record.

Two-year-old and three-year-old events are for colts bred and owned in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Utah or British Columbia; two in three heats; no colt race longer than three heats.

Send all entries to the Secretary of the Fair and not to the Circuit Secretary.

A stake book is issued containing more details as to conditions, etc., to be had from any Secretary or at the office of this paper.

NOTICE: Each track has a programme of Running Races, Special Features, Relay and Novelty Races—ask for it.

Dates have been assigned to the following tracks; programmes to be announced later.

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EXPRESSIVE MAC 2:25½.....J. H. Nelson, Selma
JIM LOGAN 2:01¾.....J. Elmo Montgomery, Woodland
KINNEY DE LOPEZ 2:23.....Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet
ONWARD McGREGOR (3) 2:23¼..B. Webster, Pleasanton
PETER McKLYO (3) 2:12½.....Jas. Thompson, San Jose
PRINCE ANSEL (2) 2:20½.....Harry Dowling, Woodland
ROBERT BINGEN 2:11¼.....Harry Dowling, Woodland
THE PROOF (2) 2:29¾....Keefer & Spencer, Pleasanton
WILBUR LOU (3) 2:10¼.....Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet

L. C. Kinney of Bushnell, Neb., who wishes a substitute pacer for the 2:06 stake here in June, may be most quickly reached by addressing him at 2050 Grape Street, Denver, Colo., or care of this office.

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Woodland's one day meeting was held today and the horsemen there who have entries at the June meeting will ship down to the exposition track about the middle of the coming week.

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Walter Tryon arrived at the exposition track Wednesday with S. H. Cowell's top matinee pacer, George Woodward 2:07½. George already has one scalp hanging to his belt for this season and never appeared to be in better racing trim.

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Some weeks ago the dates for the Fresno District Fair were furnished to us as October 5 to 9 and so appeared in these columns, but a note from President J. E. Dickinson a day or so ago corrects them—September 28 to October 2 being the proper schedule, thus avoiding conflict with the fairs farther south.

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Bakersfield horsemen pulled off a card of six events last Sunday, five of them for the runners and one a free-for-all mixed trot and pace, the latter event being won by Dolly Varden, Conbrino second and Madge Diablo third, four heats being necessary for a decision.

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Joe McGuire has set a custom at the exposition that other trainers could well afford to adopt, that of having a printed card tacked on the upper door of every stall, setting forth the identity of the equine occupant. The public appreciate the information, as they know then what they are looking at without resort to a long string of questions being put to a busy man.

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J. Elmo Montgomery, Frank Wright, Will Ivey, F. J. Ruhstaller, H. S. Hogoboom, Dr. E. J. Weldon and Superintendent Harry Dowling are among the teamsters taking part in the activities at the Woodland record meeting today. Quite a number of youngsters are being run through the mill, and the free-for-all pacers probably sizzled along right around 2:07.

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The Enterpriser, a yearling bay colt by The Exponent 2:11¾, sire of Keefer & Spencer's fast young trotter, The Proof, that worked the Pleasanton course recently in 2:08½, topped the Chicago sale at $950. Alarich 2:09 went to R. M. Lawton of Minneapolis at $300, Johnny Dugan to John Bangert of Chicago at $200, while Nelly Mc topped the Durfee consignment at $410, being purchased by H. S. Denny of Ligonier, Pa. The new owners will find it no hard task to win 'em out at these figures.

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Nellie Mac, Harry Nelson's Expressive Mac trotter in the stable of Charley Clark at Fresno, is working better than 2:15 at present and is up to a mile in 2:12, both her owner and trainer having every confidence that she is going to make good by developing into better than a 2:10 trotter. She gets the thoroughbred cross not far removed on both sides, as her dam is by Altimont, grandam by Alexander Patchen, third dam a thoroughbred, while on the sire's side she traces through Expressive to the great thoroughbred matron Esther by Express.

The matinee season opens tomorrow at the exposition track with a good card.

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We are advised by Secretary Richardson of the Western Canada Fair and Racing Association that the entries to the harness races at Regina, originally advertised to close April 23, will not close until tomorrow, May 23. First payment is three per cent, two per cent further being due June 23. J. C. Currie is the secretary and the events are $500 purses for 2:25, 2:20 and 2:15 trotters and 2:20, 2:15 and 2:10 pacers.

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W. T. Stevens, one of the most prominent export merchants of New York City, has recently purchased the business of the Miller Cart Company at Goshen and will place his brother, A. A. Stevens, in charge and continue its operations along the customary lines. Mr. Stevens has a wide acquaintance all around the world, and when conditions assume a normal aspect expects to develop a good export business with the countries in which the trotter has a hold.

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Will Durfee has been the busiest man at the exposition since his arrival, and has had good rides behind all the members of his stable with the exception of a couple who contracted a bit of cold in shipping. Here are some of his rides so far: White Sox 2:07, Esperanza 2:10¼, Virginia Barnette 2:11½, Contention B. 2:12 with a quarter in :29¼, The Lark 2:14 with a half in 1:05¼, Rags 2:15, Miss Quealy 2:20, Byron (3) 2:16½, Carl (3) 2:18¼, Carlschen (3) 2:19 with a quarter in :31½, Miss Rico (2) and Carleta (2) in 2:27, Rico (2) 2:23½ with a quarter in :31¾ to cart, and Nicola B. (3) 2:16¼.

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Alhambra Prince, the great young show horse owned and exhibited by Charles W. Winter of Alhambra added new laurels to his fame recently by being awarded first prize of $50 in the Los Angeles La Fiesta Flower Parade. The turnout was most elaborate, over a thousand white and Cecile Brunner roses being used in the decoration of the vehicle and trappings, the combination forming a most pleasing sight. This is the fourth first for the son of Redlac in just a few days over a year—at the Pasadena Horse Show April 2, 1914, the Alhambra Parade July 11, 1914, the Pasadena Tournament of Roses January 1, 1915, and the La Fiesta Parade May 3, 1915. The Prince will be among the attractions at the fall shows at the exposition.

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Vallejo King 2:10½, the trotter owned by Mr. Thomas Smith of Vallejo and a "regular member" of the training stable of Sutherland & Chadbourne at Pleasanton, was emasculated last week as a precautionary measure against someone being seriously injured. Last season he worked on his caretaker in a manner that cost his owner and trainer some money, and a few days ago made a vicious and unlooked for attack upon Mr. Sutherland, good fortune alone saving that gentleman from being badly hurt. The operation will prevent the King from filling his engagements at the June meeting at the exposition, but he is much more extensively entered in November and ought to be a sufficiently improved horse to earn enough more to offset his lost entrance money.

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Captain E. T. Barnette of Los Angeles has been among the "fence riders" at the exposition track several mornings of late and has derived a great deal of satisfaction from the performance of Virginia Barnette (3) 2:08¼, whom he bred, and from the signs of speed shown by the get of his other great Moko trotter, Manrico (3) 2:07¼. The Captain is also watching other members of the Durfee stable with much personal interest, especially White Sox, as he was one of the first to advance the theory that the daughter of Del Coronado and Subito would make a fast pacer, her performance last season and to date this spring proving the soundness of his contention most emphatically. Her mile Wednesday morning in seven, after a break in the first quarter, stamps her as both ready and dangerous and the pacers who outfoot her in the 2:06 class are going to have to travel some.

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One of the nicest bred fillies of this year's crop in Oregon is owned by T. L. Davidson, Jr., of Salem, the young lady being a daughter of Excellency 49288 and Addiola Mack by McKinney 2:11¼, grandam Viola J. Cameron by Direct 2:05½, third dam Addie S. (dam of one and grandam of two) by Steinway (3) 2:25¾. Addiola Mack has already given some indication of her qualities by producing Bonniola, one of the best youngsters bred in Oregon, a winner as a two-year-old for Al McDonald, for whom she trotted in 2:25¼ over a two lap track, and as a three-year-old for Henry Helman, in whose stable she now is. She has a three-year-old record of 2:22 and was right up second in 2:16¼, Henry regarding her very highly indeed. Good blood is not lacking on the parental side either, Excellency, a young horse owned by J. B. Stetson, being a full brother to Exton (4) 2:10¾—by Expedition 2:15¾, a speed sire who carried the blood of both Electioneer and Maude S. 2:08¾, dam Lady Howth by Sternberg 2:15¼, grandam Stella F. (dam of four) by Wilkes Boy 2:24½, third dam Mary Force (dam of two) by Happy Medium 400.

MATINEE AT THE P.-P. I. E. TRACK TOMORROW.

Last week's bad weather caused the postponement of the opening matinee of the San Francisco-California Driving Club, but the horses had a bit more work this week and the club's initial event of the season of 1915 will be held tomorrow afternoon at the P.-P. I. E. racetrack, beginning at one o'clock. The matinee horses have taken up quarters at the exposition stables in large numbers during the last several days, and while there are a good many more that will race later in the season, enough were entered for the opening day's races to insure some spirited contests.

"As per usual," the classification committee had its work cut out for it, and to have pleased most participants a program of events including an individual class for every horse would have been necessary, but after considerable sweating the following six races were carded:

First Race, 2:30 Trot—Jonesie Mac, D. E. Hoffman; G. M. S., D. E. Hoffman; Darby Mac, J. W. McTigue; Valeen M., E. M. Doyle.

Second Race, 2:15 Pace—Mabel Dillon, B. Cohen; Hamburg Belle, J. Ginocchio; Delilah, J. Welch; Bradmont, G. J. Giannini.

Third Race, Free-for-all Pace—Vera Hal, H. Cohen; Teddy Bear, Chas. Silva; Potrero Boy, Chas. Silva; Dick W., A. Ottinger; Zulu Belle, A. Ottinger; George Woodward, S. H. Cowell. The entries of George Woodward and Dick W. were made originally on the supposition that the pair would stage a match race, and it is hoped that the committee will yet arrange for this event, as it would attract considerable interest and form a good feature for the opening day, while still leaving plenty of horses in the free-for-all to make a good race.

Fourth Race, Free-for-all Trot—Columbia T., Chas. Silva; Future Tramp, T. D. Sexton; Muggins, H. Cohen; Agnes Carter, A. Ottinger; Ateka, Boyle & Cohen; Eloise Dell, Chas. Silva; Birdeye, A. Combatalade; Graham Bellini, G. J. Giannini; St. Patrick, J. J. Ryan.

Fifth Race, 2:20 Pace—Emma M., Wm. Malough; Jack, McDonnell & Conlon; King Pointer, H. Campodonico; Zorankin, Boyle & Co.; Wm. Tell, R. Roberts.

Sixth Race, 2:25 Pace—J. V., J. Vermont; Marie Fitzsimmons, J. W. Swank; Marin, J. T. Kane; Golden Buck, W. G. Walkup; Bessie Barnato, D. E. Hoffman.

In addition to the above, arrangements have also been made with Millard Sanders for an exhibition by the guideless pacer, Barney Oldfield, alias Jimmy Ray of Stockton. Millard has made this lad into a right good performer after his own peculiar way, as he has gone the route over the Pleasanton track in 2:15, with halves at a 2:10 gait, and his appearance at the exposition track should create quite a pleasant sensation.

More cups having been donated than there were races arranged for, the names of the donors were placed in a hat and seven drawn, the trophies to be awarded the winners in tomorrow's races being the gifts of Messrs. John P. McLaughlin, T. D. Sexton, W. H. Clawson, Jack Welch, Al Hoffman, S. Christenson and Harold Cohen. The remaining trophies will be raced for at a future date; minor awards were provided for second horses, and Joe McTigue presented a set of sulky whips to be parceled out among teamsters whose horses ranked third in the summary.

"Dick" Dwyer, well known among horsemen both on the coast and in other sections where the light harness horse is popular, has been designated as the starter for the club's events, the other officials for Sunday being as follows: Judges, J. A. McKerron, Jack Holland, T. D. Sexton; Timers, Fred Lauterwasser, E. T. Ayres, Joe Kidd; Marshal, Dr. I. B. Dalziel.

The first race will be called promptly at one o'clock and a good attendance is expected, as matinee racing has long been among the city's most popular Sunday afternoon diversions. A two-bit piece carries all the grandstand rights save boxes, a number of the latter having already been reserved.

TRANS-BAY FUN DRIVERS MEET.

The Oakland Stadium Riding and Driving Club held an enthusiastic meeting last Friday evening, the occasion principally being for the purpose of adopting a new set of by-laws and the election of officers. Asa V. Mendenhall and Charles W. Shaw were unanimously re-elected president and secretary respectively. G. C. Schreiber was elected vice-president. Isadore Arth was elected treasurer and Charles Miller sergeant-at-arms. The Governing Board of the club is as follows: T. W. LeBallister, Dr. Geo. Donnelly, T. Sexton, Fred Wooescher, O. G. Newhall, and the president and secretary. The Financial Committee are William Rutherford, A. Engstrom and A. L. Anhambeauh.

Within a few weeks the club expects to afford the public a great deal of amusement and pleasure in the way of outdoor sports, on the new stadium.

The next meeting of the club will take place Wednesday night, May 26, at its club rooms.

Ed Anderson of Portland and Joe Carson of Winnipeg blew in at Pleasanton on the wings of one of the recent gales and were at once admitted into full membership in the local chapter of the clockers' union.



JOE PATCHEN II 2:03¼



MAYMACK 2:04½

THE GREAT PAIR OF FREE-FOR-ALLERS IN THE MACKENZIE STABLE

"Speed Bugs" Infest the Pleasanton Colony

Only two short weeks from today Starter O. P. Updegraff will ring the bell at the new track down by the Golden Gate and Marshal Dalziel and his assistant, Officer Merchant of the municipal police, will rout out the horses for the first heat of the 2:30 trot—and anyone who wishes to bet that the first heat of the slowest race of the meeting, by classification, is not trotted in 2:10 or better, given a good day on track and weather conditions, can get accommodated. There have been all sorts of wails about "not being ready" on account of the weather of the last several weeks, but with green trotters working way below ten, and green pacers going still faster, it rather looks like there would be plenty of "readiness" displayed when the races are called. Work over all the California tracks for the two weeks just closed has been of the "sparkling" variety, and that poor old ten figure has been battered up in an awful shape.

Pleasanton, in spite of the competition afforded by the recent arrivals at the exposition track and by the home guards yet holding down quarters at such training centers as San Jose, Woodland, Fresno and Los Angeles, continues to occupy the limelight up to this writing, though a number of her horses have come down to the bay since my trip there last Saturday, and more will arrive in the next week. Indeed, by next Saturday night almost all the trainers will have their stake candidates housed in the exposition stables.

Perched on the fence at the MacKenzie plant, there was just one old "song" that kept running through my head that seemed to cover the situation, the drone of the roulette dealer that ran something like

"Round she goes an' round she goes
An' where she stops nobody knows
But the Lord—
An' he don't care a whoop!"

Like many old songs, its popularity has waned and there may be those of a younger generation who have never listened to its measured cadences, but there was a time back in the days of old, the days of gold, the early days of the Forty-Nine Camp on the Zone when she was as popular as any modern ditty. You remember how it was? You put your money on a number from double ought to thirty-six and then the handsome (?) cuss in the pink shirt with the big rocks in his cuffs spun a little ball and when the ball fell in a certain slot—yes! we knew all along you remembered it, Mabel. That's the way up there in the Livermore valley. Round they go and round they go, and where they're going to stop you'll find out when they get there, but if the Pleasanton track was conducted on the roulette order there would have been only six numbers worth playing last week, seven, eight, nine, ten, eleven, twelve. A consistent play on those numbers at regular wheel odds would have run a shoestring into a stake big enough to choke a steer.

Just where the honor of the "best mile" lies is something that is just a little too much for me to say—there are so blamed many best ones, and so very many things to consider. A fast mile by any young horse is a wonderful thing, but how about the fast miles of horses that have been at some time or another "on the pot" so emphatically that they were practically given up? How about the fast miles of the old campaigners who have outlasted the ordinary run of horseflesh for season after season and still are "there" with brilliant performances? Like the whiskies you get in Woodland and other dry towns, they are all so good that there's really no distinguishing any among them as best. Every workout day—which means about every day—the grandstand at Pleasanton assumes a "racing season" air by reason of the numbers of members of both sexes who turn out to watch the workouts, and it's a dull day indeed when the clocks fail to register a number of miles from seven to eleven. However, such days are as rare as the thirtieth of February just now, and every once in a while someone springs a "real mile" that starts the birds to twittering like a sewing circle the next day after the suit for divorce is filed.

Peter McCormick's 2:08½ mile some days ago was the first real jolt administered to the clockers' union, but they have suffered others equally as severe since that time, one of the next ones being the performance of the six-year-old stallion The Proof, some days prior to my last visit. This boy was a fast two-year-old and was given a standard record at that age but was a disappointment here in California owing to trouble with his feet. Up at Woodland last year Dan O'Keefe got onto the combination of his ailment, however, and straightened him out so that late in the season he progressed to a mile right around 2:12. When Keefer & Spencer came to Pleasanton with their string, Bates Parker proceeded to let himself in for a lot of kidding by predicting that The Proof would trot in 2:08 by June, but now the kidding is the other way about, as the boy worked for Charley Spencer in 2:08½, coming back in 2:13¼ and 2:12¼. So far as I am aware this is about the fastest mile ever trotted at Pleasanton by a green horse. Bonnie Ansel, the stable's candidate for the 2:10 trot, is also working fast and is liable to drop under ten at any day—probably has done so before this appears—as she has worked three heats in 2:10¼ to 2:11, with a half in 1:01¾. She is not the handsomest thing in the world but she certainly can trot, which, in modern breeding operations, is the "consummation devoutly to be hoped for." The Expense, the two-year-old trotter by The Proof, is working around 2:26 with halves in 1:10 and doing it very nicely, while the green pacer Mona Ansel has gone the route in 2:16 with a half in 1:03.

One of Saturday's sparkling performances—in fact the best one for the day among the trotters—was pulled off by Will DeRyder behind the Baron McKinney—Helen Simmons gelding Spriggan, purchased at the December sale by George Lowery for V. K. Dunne of this city for seven hundred dollars. The previous week this lad had gone the route in 2:10¼, and he had made himself a lot of friends by his general demeanor. Saturday, after a good warming up, Will worked him in 2:12½, with the last half at a 2:05 clip in company with the pacers Zomblack and Strathtell, and then tramped a merry mile in 2:08½, "tying up" with the McCormick horse and The Proof for the season's record. Then, just to show what a perfect little gentleman he is, he worked an easy mile, without the least worry from restraint, in 2:25 in company with a colt, and then took a laying away heat in 2:12. He has all the "earmarks" of a high class trotter and the bunch is wishing Will the best of luck with him. Dicto, the unmarked pacer in the same stable, worked in 2:08½ and repeated in 2:08 some days ago, and Asa Pointer has gone the route in ten flat, with the last half in 1:02, so that Will looks to have an even break for some of the money next month.



LIZZIE DILLON (3) 2:15½
Whose mile in 2:07¼ Saturday made the railbirds twit-twit-twitter.

San Felipe, after a couple of disappointing experiences down east, is getting back into his old time form, much to the gratification of his owner and his former and present trainers—Messrs. Wm. T. Sesnon, C. L. DeRyder and C. A. Durfee, respectively. Evidently what the big Zombro gelding most craved was a permanent return to his native climate; down east he was hopeless, out here he has done everything asked of him, and a few days ago Mr. Durfee buckled into him for a nice mile in 2:09½, 1:03, :30, so that it looks like he would fill his stake engagements in the big trots at the exposition and have a chance to grab entrance money or more in spite of the hot company he is in. Twinkling Dan has not yet been let down faster than 2:15 but is standing up nicely, while Horseshoe Boy, the big Oakland matinee horse, has been only in 2:26, 1:10, :33. He has previously been given as untraced, but recent advices show him to be a son of Del Coronado 2:09½, whose services are beginning to be much more valued now that they are not accessible. Charley also has in his stable Tim Sexton's trotter Future Tramp, but the "hobo hoss" developed a bit of trouble behind in his May Day races and is enjoying a let-up at present.

And now comes a "miracle mile" that is respectfully submitted to the attention of one of our esteemed far eastern contemporaries who, judging from the price the lad sold for in December, took a flash at the statement that he was led into the ring all gone to pieces, or a total wreck, or words to that effect. The bird in question is the yearling champ, Frank Perry, who, having gone through about all the ills and mishaps that horseflesh is heir to, now threatens to become a "real hoss" and upset all the dope. He has had "troubles in front and troubles behind, internal disorders and disease of the mind" but unless some new affliction besets him he is going to worry somebody besides his owners in some of his races next month. Bert Webster has been careful with him but has given him plenty of work, figuring that he couldn't stand racing if he couldn't stand training, and last week set him down to what was at the time the track record for the season, with a fourth heat in 2:10½ and fifth one in 2:07¼. He came out of it as good as before he went into it, and may yet fill his engagement in the 2:06 pace, in which he is one of the original entries. Bert's candidate for the three-year-old pace, Rodney Patchen, has gone the rout in 2:25 with a repeat in 2:22, and his other stuff, with no early engagements, is all working nicely.

Charley DeRyder hung up the season record Saturday morning with the old warrier that our friend Deacon Partridge (who referred in his sermon to a verse in the "one-eyed chapter of the two-eyed John") would doubtless characterize as "Joe Patchen the two-eyed." Joe has had a number of trips in and around ten, and after a few fair warming up miles Saturday Charley camped on his hocks for a mile in 2:07, a clip that he negotiates very easily indeed. It isn't a case of how fast the cunning old scamp can go but of how fast he will go, but he and his boss are getting along better right along. Joe must be the identical lad that the poet had in mind when he pulled that one about "in the spring a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love," but if Charley succeeds in getting him to a point where he will turn his thoughts to racing a few heats with equal wholeheartedness he will gather another brace of brackets no matter how fast they step. Mahomet Watts has not yet beaten ten, as the weather interfered on some of his regular days, but he is up to a hard race and can surely mock a real trotter.

aymack beats ten like going down the road, her st effort so far being in 2:08, and Madam Mac is so on the two-minute side of the charmed circle id working mighty well. Miss Perfection, the able's main dependence for the stakes, missed a w workouts owing to some trouble with her front et but was out Saturday morning, chipper as could e and ready to run away trotting. Rumor had it at she was "on the heap" indefinitely, but she may et be ready for her engagements. Zomblack, the onverted pacer, is still standing up fine at the new ay of going and continues to promise to make a ery fast horse at that gait. He was the first mem- er of the stable to work in ten and came out of that ork some weeks ago in the very best shape. He as had a lot of healthy work in the same neighbor- ood and some a bit faster, so that he is pretty well rtified to go up against fast company.

Railey Macey hasn't dropped anything into the ten st as yet, but is crowding that figure very close ith Princess Patch, who will probably take the ntry of Dazzle Patch in the 2:06 pace, having gone he route with her in 2:11, 1:03, :30. Electric Patch nd Jean Arion, the furthest developed of the trot- ing brigade, have worked in 2:14 and 2:13 respec- ively, with halves in 1:04 and quarters in :31. Mary . Patch has made the circuit in 2:16, Power Patch n 2:15, Buzz Patch in 2:14, with a half in 1:05 and uarter in :31, and Agnes Patch and Drift Patch ave "paired" in 2:17, 1:06. Judith Patch, the baby f the stable, hasn't been asked for a fast mile as et, but has traveled halves in 1:10 and quarters in 32. The weather has retarded their training some- what, but they will summer here and have lots of ime to make up at the fall meeting any shortcom- ngs that may appear at the earlier session.

Will Fleming has The Beaver ready to let down ny day, as he has had a number of miles around :12 and is taking his work like a high class horse. Alberta Dillon is coming along, with work so far in :18, and Seneca Boy and Tropic Dawn have done a rother and sister act in 2:15. Grattan Boy is show- ng all the signs of a horse that will be ready, and Barney Barnes is running with the fast bunch. He was content to ride around twelve or fifteen the last time I was out with the local railbirds, but stated that his pair "had it with 'em" whenever called on to deliver, a statement that he proceeded to make good last week. Strathtell, the rugged little bay horse, has done ten nicely in company, and the big black fellow, College Gent, has gone the route in 2:07½ mighty handily. The exposition accommoda- tions for the Gent were substantially increased by the opening of a 2:07 class in place of the unfilled 2:08 pace, and Barney is headed for it full tilt. Nobody knows the black fellow's full capacity, but Barney has the satisfaction of knowing that while he may just naturally be outfooted, he won't be out- gamed or out-mannered.

Frank Childs has also had a ride "in the list," O. U. C. going to the three-quarters Saturday in 1:39 and coming the last quarter in :30½. He is well hardened for the faster work that he will get shortly, as he has had a lot of work around eleven to thirteen, and his behavior is O. K. He does well in company, has squared away in good shape and promises to furnish someone with some real thrills when the races start. Loe Blossom is ready for the let down, having been in 2:11 with plenty of work just slower than twelve, but the most improved horse in Frank's stable is Bon Guy. This "Guy" at the time of my last visit was scarcely up to a mile much better than 2:25, but he was beginning to act like a trotter and last week, going good and flattening out into a nice stride, he worked in 2:15½. His legs are carry- ing him well and both Mr. Bailey and Childs are well satisfied with the showing he is making.

V. L. Shuler and Peter McCormick haven't been the causes of any more attacks of heart failure since their ride in 2:08½, but the big brown boy has had four miles better than ten since that time and is standing up staunch as a church in a high wind. Shuler has been working on him to get him away quick and Saturday morning sent him a first quarter in :30½ accompanied by George Ryan and the Mac- Kenzie prompter. He was scheduled for "leveling" about Tuesday or Wednesday of this week for a mile between six and seven and looked good for that figure without much argument. John Gwynne is going easily around fourteen. Fleeta Dillon is behaving like a lady for Millard Sanders and has all her old time speed, working last in 2:08¼. Peter Howard's youngster in the same stable has trotted in fifteen and came so fast that Millard eased up on him a bit, while Barney Oldfield, the guideless pacer, has steered himself "of his own will and accord" over the full course in 2:15¼. He operates very nicely all by his lonesome and Millard is negotiating with the exposition people for a series of exhibitions with his pupil. It would be a very pleasing attrac- tion, as Californians are not as familiar with the guideless kind as are the folks across the mountains, and Barney, suitably decorated and moving at a merry clip, would be a handsome and novel sight.

A pair that the wise guys are still according plenty of respect are those two shifty central westerners, A. F. Ruthven and Walnut Grove 2:05¼, who are entered in the big pacing stakes and the faster classes at both meetings. The Grove is working sound and a few days ago Al sampled him in 2:08½, 1:02½, :30¼, no ill effects of any kind resulting. Rose Equity has not yet beaten ten, but has wound up a mile with the half in 1:03¾ and the quarter in :29¾, while Miss Johnson, G. C. W. and Little Grove are gradually being let down a little.

Marvin Childs warmed up Lizzie Dillon pretty thoroughly Saturday morning and thein proceeded to take a real ride, his first one of the season, behind the daughter of Sidney Dillon and Angela S. Going away from the stand he set his bonnet a little lower on his head, drew a bead through the terret against the quarter, the half and the three-quarters and siz- zled under the wire in 2:07¼. Marvin has said all along that this little mare, now eight years old and raced but once since she was a three-year-old, was fast, but this display of speed was a bit of a surprise to a good many, including myself. Hal Boy's best work was in 2:10, but Marvin planned to set him down a few seconds early this week. Tom Smith, Jim Hill and Imbro are all working between ten and eleven and R. C. H., the Helena trotter, has gotten



STRATHTELL 2:14¼
A husky little Canuck that is pacing in 2:10 for Barney Barnes.

on the short side of fifteen. Tom Smith, Esquire, still looms as a probable starter in the 2:10 trot, as he is training pretty sound, thanks to Lou's private prescription.

Sutherland & Chadbourne have had 2:10 or better stare them square in the face behind three different pacers and are not far away from that figure with all the string they will race at the exposition. Zoetrix, the big bald faced, white legged daughter of Zolock 2:05¼ and Jim Marshall's great old matron, Trix Marshall, has gone the route in 2:07¼ with a half in 1:01¼, and the other Zolock mare Zorene, the first foal of My Irene S., has worked in 2:08½. Both of them have racing experience and look like great performers for their sire and dams. A. B. C., the husky black boy owned by Humboldt county parties, has turned the oval in ten flat handily, and the trio look like a good combination. Harold C. is trotting in 2:12½, Bon Cres in 2:13, and Trix McAdrian is pacing in 2:12. Any one of the three can shade ten right now, so it looks like plenty of racing around 2:06 to 2:10 will be required to outfoot "Chad" when he and Pa Jim hit the fair. They have a baby pacer that is staked for the fall meeting that is about as oily as they come—the two-year-old filly Verna Mc- Kinney by Vernon McKinney 2:01½ and out of the dam of Del Rey. This lass has already gone the distance in 2:19½ with quarters in :32, and looks as though she might be able to hang up a new mark in November for the junior pacing divisions of the coast futurities.

Will Duncan of Colusa, having wound up his affairs at that city for the time, has joined the colony at Pleasanton and is training his big Clarence Wilkes gelding in person. Will has worked him a half in 1:04 with the final quarter in :29½, and has tooled him the full route in 2:17½, coming through the lane in :30½.

Henry Smith has a pair of pacers entered at the exposition, Star Tilden 2:15¾ and Alton S. 2:15, both winners on California tracks last season and both working nicely at present, with miles in 2:14, halves in 1:03 and quarters at a two-minute clip. Della H. is working around the same notch, and Henry's Charley D.—Cricket filly, Lottie D., looks like a real pacer and has gone the route in 2:16, 1:04, :30.



A. B. C., trial 2:10
Humboldt County's "Black Hope" for the green pacing classes—Fred Chadbourne.

On the Picket Line

Definite details of the onslaught upon old Pappy Time's trenches that are being made at the outposts of the "far-flung battle line" from one end of Cali- fornia to the other are lacking, but the reports that have dribbled in through the mail, by wireless, or the personal recitals delivered in broken fragments by recently arrived couriers, all tell of lots doing

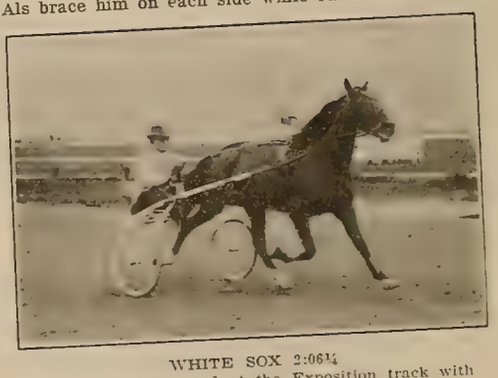


STAR WINTER 2:05
Buzzing toward the first turn at the P.-P. I. E. with McDonald up.

in the way of sizz and speed. Up at Woodland today the boys are staging a little meeting that will give the local free-for-all pacers and some of the others their fastest work of the season, and the side- wheelers are probably buzzing pretty fast. Clara Mac has been spinning along around 2:08, with some hot halves and quarters, and recent visitors at Woodland Stock Farm say she is taking the fast work like she wanted more. Jim Logan has gone the route in 2:07, and Potrero Boy, the big brother to Airlie Demonio 2:05½, is only a half-second re- moved from that figure. Booze and Teddy Bear are another couple that have burned the dirt recently, and the trotting mares in the Silva stable, Columbia T. and Eloise Dell, are showing a raft of speed, the former yanking Lon Daniels over the course in 2:10¾ and the latter in 2:13½, with a half in 1:05.

Jack Tolliver, the San Jose shoer, "howdied" with the bunch at the exposition track Wednesday and warned 'em to look out for the Hemet string, Ben Walker and Johnny Quinn. Blackwell is riding right along with Hemet (3) 2:08¼ and some others of the stable, and Quinn has had rides in twelve behind both his grand circuit entries, Albaloma and Baby Doll, with halves from 1:02 to 1:03 and quarters in thirty seconds. Mountain Dee has invested in a round trip ticket for the 2:10 journey for Walker, and Jack opines that Dione II is going to be a mighty strong dose for someone to swallow in her events.

Los Angeles is a long way off but rumors persist in getting by the censor to the effect that the expo- sition entrants still remaining there are fit as fit and moving right along. Jim Stewart continues to ride fast behind that "monarch of the Canadian prairies," Homer Mac, who gets another show for the money in the opening of a class for 2:07 pacers on opening day—a race that ought to be one of the real kind, as a bunch of the fast birds are eligible to that and can get away from Doctor Burns, Jr., who by the way, following his recent collapse, is now exercising in the paddock. The paddock is about eighty feet wide and fenced on two sides continuously for a mile; when they want to get the old horse out in the air Jack and the two Als tail him up and the Als brace him on each side while Jack dresses him



WHITE SOX 2:06¼
Who holds the record at the Exposition track with a mile in 2:07.

so he don't take cold, using a nice complete set of harness for a preventative. Then they ease him into the shafts of the cart, merely to steady the poor old cuss, and Whitney gets in so as to balance things and take the weight of the shafts off his back. Then he staggers out into his special paddock and wanders around a while, with Al holding his head up with the reins and cheering him occasionally by a few kind words. It don't seem to be much use, though. Sometimes he goes clear around his little runway but the way he does it is discouraging—to some folks. It's hard to realize how bad off he is, but a

reliable man who saw him out puttering around one day lately vouches for the statement that he consumed a whole hundred and twenty-five seconds going around his paddock and was almost a minute making the last half of the little journey. Bessie Custer, the green trotting mare that is the Doctor's stable mate, is not so severely bunged up ,as she has gone the route in 2:11¾, with a half in 1:03½ and a quarter in :29¾, but "chances is" that she will be put on the shelf so that she won't be able to beat 2:07 or 2:08 before she hits the big fair. Ain't it awful, Mabel? Little Bernice is another pacer who gets further "show for her white alley" in that 2:07 class, and Sam Watkins will not yet admit that his hold on that money in the wager with Will Durfee has in any way relaxed.

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Out at the P.-P. I. E.

Hi Johnson and the weather man have established so many precedents of late in this part of the world that both native sons and professional Californians from the corn belt have been kept busy explaining to visitors that we do not usually have this much rain at this season, that the prevailing nor'wester should have given way to a westerly or sou'westerly breeze that would not be so noticeable on the back stretch at the exposition track, and so on and so on. However, speed is being manufactured just the same and if the powers that be will just relent and furnish a little run of real California weather there are going to be some miles at that June meeting that will be genuine sizzlers. Las week the footing was heavy up until the latter part of the six days and the trainers were inclined to be a bit dubious as to its qualities, but were much more optimistic on Friday and Saturday. Sunday gave it another drenching, but it dried quickly and has been a fast bit of dirt since then.

Some fair miles and some fast fractions were traveled last week, but not until Sunday was the 2:10 mark molested, when Al Schwartz piloted Zulu Belle over the course in 2:09½, the black lady having turned the route a week previously in 2:12¾. Will Durfee was out with his stake trotters the same morning, Esperanza and Virginia Barnette, the former negotiating the distance in 2:12 and the Moko lass going a half second better, with a hot last quarter in :29¾.

Wednesday morning the "sea gulls" were treated to their first real feast when Will Durfee cut out the muffler and threw in the high gear on his candidate for the fast pacing classes, White Sox. No one save the Angeleno, Owner Berry, and a few of the training crew were aware that William was out for a record ride, though he went away from the wire at a two-minute clip. Before leaving the straight the mare broke and a number snapped back, but Durfee settled her and went on, going to the quarter in :32¼, the half in 1:04¾, the three-quarters in 1:38 and the mile in 2:07. A bit later, bucking a stiffer breeze, Adolph Ottinger, just home from Portland, teamed Zulu Belle to the quarter in :32, the half in 1:04½, the three-quarters in 1:38¼ and home in 2:09¼. Lon McDonald with Duchess, his M. & M. candidate, went to the quarter in :31¾, eased up against the wind and around the short turn and romped the final quarter in :30½, the roan mare showing a lot of class. I missed a good deal of Lon's work, but his bunch was scheduled for letting down a bit yesterday and today, a bit too late for publication. McGuire's green ones are showing plenty of pep and the newcomers and the matinee horses are limbering up nicely. Tomorrow's matinee will give a line on a number of the latter, and next week will furnish plenty of interest for those who like to watch 'em go.—[N.]

A NEW NEED FOR THE PURE-BRED BEEF BULL.

Alfalfa growers as well as range men are evidencing more and more interest in the possibilities of feeding range steers a ration composed of alfalfa and either grain or silage, for it has long been recognized that any such connecting link between the beef grower and the alfalfa grower would result in much good to both.

In the past two years experience of immense value along this line has been gained by farmers and stockmen in various parts of the state and the conclusions of these operators may be summed up briefly by saying that under conditionos found on our local markets the man who makes the most money from cattle feeding will be the man who has better than the average bred stock which can be turned off at around 1,000 pounds as long yearlings or two-year-olds.

Mexicans, Arizonas, or poorly bred native stock will not meet these requirements, so say the experimenters. On the other hand they must be stock sired by good bulls, out of fairly decent native cows and animals that have been "kept going" from calfhood till the time they are put in the feed lots.

The condition facing the California feeder is different from those facing the eastern farmer in many respects, but chiefly in feeds and markets. The markets there, so explain the California packing concerns, are much broader than our local ones and as a result have a much wider spread, one demand being for heavy cattle while another favors lighter stock, thus consuming the ordinary run of both kinds.

In California, and especially in the San Francisco market, where most of the cattle are handled, the buying public demand a small, well finished animal, and for such stuff are willing to pay a premium.

As it is almost an impossibility for the range man to meet this requirement profitably, it naturally follows that here is the hole into which the cattle feeder can very profitably fall, providing he has the equipment for economical feeding and the right kind of young stock to feed.

What is perhaps the greatest headway so far reported along this line is on the Vina ranch in the extreme northern alfalfa country of the interior valley and on the Tehachapi Cattle Company's ranch in the extreme southern alfalfa boundary of the interior valley.

On the former ranch, as has before been noted in these columns, an endeavor is being made to turn off light steers without the use of of feed lots and silos. Good breeding is considered the big essential there, although the continual forcing of the calves on good forage is considered highly important. As the nature of the ranch itself allows of feeding methods which could not be pursued in most locations the chief lesson there is the value of the constant use of purebred sires, for it has been an underlying principle with this ranch to use purebred bulls on their range stock for many years.

On the principle that when he can make two-year-olds weigh 1,100 pounds it does not pay to carry them over as three-year-olds, R. G. Hill, manager of the Tehachapi Cattle Company's ranch at Bakersfield, has decided after two years' feed-lot experience that hereafter he will handle yearlings exclusively.

Before arriving at this conclusion Mr. Hill fed out over 2,000 head of steers, some of which were Arizonas and some natives, varying in weights and quality.

As was set forth in these columns after his first experience in 1914, Mr. Hill found that while he secured satisfactory gains on the common native and Arizona stock, when alfalfa hay, cottonseed meal and corn silage were used, his better bred stuff proved far more profitable.

As Mr. Hill has fortified his feeding operations with a large range where he can raise his own feeders, the matter of securing suitably bred animals has with him been mostly a matter of time in raising calves sired by purebred Herefords to an age suitable for feeder purposes.

During the past season he has finished all of the older steers at his feeding plant together with a sufficient number of young ones to demonstrate the feasibility of his future plan of turning off baby beef which the buying public has so long desired.

Red Kaffir silage, alfalfa hay and cottonseed meal was the ration used this year, the steers whose average weight when feeding started in the fall was 875 pounds were fed silage from the start, the ration was gradually being increased till they were receiving 33 to 36 pounds daily, 30 days after they were put in the lots. With this was fed all of the alfalfa hay they would eat, the hay being fed in racks, adjacent to shed shelters which were built in each lot as a protection against rain and mud. The last 50 days, two to two and a half pounds of cottonseed meal was added to the daily average of each steer, the amount of silage being cut down after this date.

At the end of 155 days when the feeding was discontinued the average weight was 1275 pounds, or an average gain of 425 pounds per steer.

From a financial point of view the gains made for the expense incurred was satisfactory on both this and last year's feeding operations, yet there was not the spread in price for quality either year that would naturally be expected, and it is for that reason that the well bred yearlings will be taken from the range next year, for when finished they will command the top price and the gains will, it is thought, be still more satisfactory than those secured on the average this year.

Others who are anxious to enter the feeding game are considering this same condition which Mr. Hill is allowed, through his range, to overcome before erecting suitable feed lots, silos, etc., and it is questionable whether any but those in a position to raise their own feeders will be able to profit by Mr. Hill's experience till such time as the man on the range who is raising the cattle can be shown the money loss which is resulting from his breeding to mongrel bulls of little or no merit.—Pacific Rural Press.

$75,000 ON NORTH PACIFIC CIRCUIT.

Elsewhere in this issue of the Breeder and Sportsman appears the detailed announcement of the North Pacific Fair Association, which has kept the game alive in the northwest for the last decade, and which offers horsemen the best racing opportunities of the year on the coast. For over sixty days weekly meetings are provided on generous plans, the circuit closing at Salem in ample time for getting to San Francisco some days in advance of the opening of the fall meeting at the exposition.

The feature events throughout the circuit close June first, in some instances the entire program of individual meetings closing on that date. The announcement is complete concerning events, entrance, system of racing, etc., and is most respectfully recommended to you for consideration. Stake books may be obtained either from this office or John W. Pace, Circuit Secretary, Seattle, and we bespeak a generous patronage of the circuit on the part of California horsemen.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

STILL SOME GOOD ONES AT LOS ANGELES.

Los Angeles, May 11, 1915.

Breeder and Sportsman:

Just a little letter from Los Angeles, where the winter and spring have been busy times for horses and horsemen; so many of the good ones have gone to San Francisco and other places that we are almost lonesome now, but I can say we still have some good ones here—they are not all gone.

As my own health is so bad with heart trouble that I am not able to drive at times, I feel as though, for my part, I had better stay close to home, but there are times when I forget all my troubles—such as when I get up behind our Julia Clay, Happy Clay or King Lilly Pointer, by Star Pointer, dam by Direct. They have all stepped quarters in thirty seconds, Julia and Pointer doing even a little better, and we have others that have stepped in :32. King Lilly Pointer, that has had about one workout a week, on last Friday paced in 2:12, 1:03¾, :31, going the last half in the middle of the track. Week before last he worked in 2:12, with the last quarter in :30, and today's work included an easy mile in 2:15, with the last half in 1:05 and the quarter in :30. A few days ago I stepped our Julia Clay almost in her old form—a mile in 2:08¾, and it was only her fourth workout this season. She can always brush a quarter in :32 after warming up, and in the past has stepped her best mile in 2:08, half in 1:03½ and quarter in :29¾.

I must speak of our Happy Clay, the two gaited freak that has in the past paced a mile in 2:15 and twenty-five minutes later trotted a mile in exactly the same figure. He has been halves in 1:04 and quarters in :30 at both gaits. We took him up a few days ago for use as a prompter for our good colts, and by the second week let him finish halves in 1:06 and 1:07 and quarters in :31. He surely will do well this season at trotting.

Our good colt Imbro Clay, Imbro's only son, can't help but go because he has a Clay dam—a full sister to Happy Clay, the sire of our King Clay, the inbred pacer that has worked without straps in 2:16½, halves in 1:05, quarters in :32 and eighths in :14½. Today was the Imbro horse's third workout for full miles this season, stepping his best one in 2:30 with quarters in :35. They all smile at him and call him a good one.

Our colts by King Lilly Pointer are all doing fine. We have two fillies that have never trotted a step and two bay horse colts that have never struck a pace, all four called good ones. One pacing filly at six and a half months of age, led beside her sire for the seventh time, paced eighths in 25 seconds, a mark that the two together have since beaten. They will surely all go, for they have Clay dams.

The first of the Clays that I worked have all gone quarters from :29¾ to :32, and the first five of the next generation have all stepped from :32 to :36, with miles accordingly. I think I can say that the dead Clay Edwin was surely a sire of extreme speed, as the training of his foals was my first experience with track work and these were the first of his get ever handled so far as I know. Our horses are all green ones, as they have never raced for a dollar.

Very truly yours,

WM. H. NESMITH.

ENTRIES IN EMPIRE CITY STAKES, NEW YORK.

The Greater New York, 2:08 Trot, Purse $5,000.

Bonington, ch h by Bellini, Hillanddale Farm; Axtien, ch h by Axworthy, Samuel Harris; Duchess, ro m by Allertine, Alonzo McDonald; Albaloma, b g by Almaden D., I. L. Borden; Pass All, blk h by Crystallion, E. A. Colburn; Lee Axworthy, b h by Guy Axworthy, Pastime Stable; Worthy Prince, b h by Prince McKinney, Walter R. Cox; Lulu Lumine, b m by Orator, Thomas W. Murphy; Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great, Thomas W. Murphy; Reusens, ch g by Prince of India, Algot Johnson; Lady Grattan, ch m by Joe Grattan, Walter R. Cox; Peter McVormick, br h by Peter the Great, V. L. Shuler; Willgo, b h by Togo, J. Crouch & Son; Bright Axworthy, b g by Axworthy, Thomas W. Murphy; J. Malcolm Forbes, br h by Bingen, Edward F. Geers.

The Manhattan, 2:13 Trot, Purse $2,000.

McCloskey, br g by Theodosius, Alonzo McDonald; Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide, Edward Peterson; Miss Directum, b m by Directum, David Shaw; Hesperus Chimes, by Hesperus, J. E. Renick; Sadie S., b m Archdale, Thomas W. Murphy; Peter Johnson, b h by Grey Petrus, Walter R. Cox; Vallette, ch h by Mobel, L. H. Washburn; Laramie Lad, b g by Master Bo, Alonzo McDonald; Mary Warren, b m by Zombro, Kenwood Farm; Brooklyn Hal, b g by Brooklyn Chief, G. R. Snedeker; Treganta, b m by Tregantle, Beaumont Farm; Mainstep, blk g by Mainsheet, Walter R. Cox; Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great, Thomas W. Murphy; Great Isle, b h by Peter the Great, Thomas W. Murphy; Brook King, br h by The King Red, Wm. Kelly; The Guide, b h by Peter the Great, Edward F. Geers; Fayre Rosamond, b m by Aquillan, Chester G. Peck; Nathan Axworthy, b h by Axworthy, E. B. Oates; Russian Dame, b m by George Muscovite; Margaret Parrish, b m by Vice Commodore, Thomas W. Murphy; Kitty L. Bellini, T. G. Hinds; Todd Temple, br g by Todd Mac, James Westwater; Lusitania, blk m by Kinney Mac, J. Crouch & Son; Nowaday Girl, b m by MacDougal, C. W. Lasell; Venice Belle, b m by Axworthy, C. W. Lasell.

The Broadway, 2:08 Pace, Purse $2,000.

Camelia, br m by Cummer, Walter R. Cox; Walnut Grove, blk h by Constantine, J. A. Young; Rose Equity, br m by Equity, H. C. Kibbee; O. U. C., b g by C. The Limit, S. S. Bailey; B. M., b g by Peacedale, Walter R. Cox; Russell Boy, b h by Rustic Patenter, Ellis Franks; Single G., b h by Anderson Wilkes, Curt Gosnell; Thistle Patch, blk h by Joe Patchen, W. L. Snow; Miss Miriam, ro m by Margin, Parker Bros.; Patrick M., blk g by Norbelle, H. H. Stokes; Major Ong, b g by Major Gantz, Thomas W. Murphy; Hal S., ro g by Hal Chaffin, Thomas W. Murphy; Lustrous McKinney, b g by McKinney, A. S. Rodney; Halplex, br h by Empire Hal, Edward F. Geers; Fred W., b g by Modern Chimes, F. D. Weeks; Hal Boy, b g by Hal B., Edward Peterson; Peter Farren, b h by Peter the Great, Thomas W. Murphy; Budd Elliott, b g by Prodigal, Edward F. Geers; Derby Custer, ch h by Ed Custer, Thomas W. Murphy; Col. Echo, b h by Echo Todd, A. R. Gillis.

YOUNGSTERS MAKE SPEED AT HEMET.

When Budd Doble moved from Hemet Stock Farm o San Jose he brought with him about all of the iorses of racing age owned at the Whittier establishment, leaving at home in the capable hands of Frank Rees the youngsters that are just being given their kindergarten work, and the two-year-olds from which the farm will pick its starters for the junior divisions of the coast classics that are to be raced in November. Rees has been progressing famously with them and from among the lot there promises to come some performers of the calibre of those who brought world's records to Hemet in days gone by.

Don de Lopez (2), trotter, by Kinney de Lopez 2:23—Eradiate by Geo. W. McKinney 2:14½, has trialed recently in 2:35, 1:14, :36½; Goldsmith Lou (2), trotter, by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼—Little Louise A. 2:17 by Boodle, in 2:41, :36, :16¾; Gertrude Rives (2), trotter, in 2:45, 1:15, :36¾; Fiesta Lou (1), 2:25 pacing, now a two-year-old, in 2:40, 1:15, :33½, :16¼, while the four-year-old Nealon by Worth While—Nealy W. 2:27 has paced in 2:14, 1:06½, these being all the horses in training other than yearlings.

Among the latter contingent Rees is educating a pair that stand comparison with the cracks of any farm and which he is confident have in them the real qualities of trotting greatness. One, the filly Louise de Lopez by Kinney de Lopez—Louise Carter (dam of Wilbur Lou, etc.), has brushed a quarter in :37½, eighth in :18, which is decidedly more trot than Wilbur showed at this season of the year in which he established a world's record for yearling colts, and the other one, a chestnut filly by Wilbur Lou—Zeta W. by Nutwood Wilkes, has negotiated the same distance in :37, :17½. Matilda Lou, a very late foal by Wilbur Lou and out of the great brood mare Lady Zombro has trotted eighths in :22, while the bay filly Rosebudd M., by Wilbur Lou—Stambia by Stam B. has gone the short brush a bit faster. The latter filly is a sister to Selma Paley, that trialed a half as a yearling in 1:13¾ and was sold for a nice price some weeks ago.

TROTTERS LOST IN FIRE.

Yorktown, Sask., May 1, '15.

Lady Arrod 2:14¼ and Minnie K. (3) by Baron Axtellion 2:24¼, dam Moxie K. 2:18¼, were burned to death at 4:30 a. m. today, when the stables of M. L. Loblaw, Yorkton's genial blacksmith, were burned to the ground.

Lady Arrod's performances are too fresh in the minds of horsemen to need any mention, but Minnie K. was a green filly only nicely broken last summer, winning a race here last fall (half mile heats), best time 1:08½.

Mr. Loblaw has the sympathy of the entire community, not from the mercenary standpoint, but from the loss of horses that he as a breeder has taken nine years to attain—his heart was in his horses and to have two such promising youngsters snuffed out in such a few minutes, in such a way, is a severe blow.

The money loss was also large, as his entire equipment, bike, harnesses, bike buggy, matinee cart, speeder and everything necessary to complete a perfect stable, aside from the building, was destroyed.

The fire, occurring when it did, got a good headway before being seen. Mr. Loblaw was first on the scene but could only stand and see his horses die. He did get in to one, but was driven back by the smoke and flames.

The game has sure lost two promising youngsters as well as a genial owner and driver.—Canadian Sportsman.

LOE BLOSSOM NOT A "DESERT RAT."

Loe Blossom 2:10½, trial 2:06½, the heavily staked trotting mare in Frank Child's string and due for a Grand Circuit career, is credited in the Year Book as having been bred in Arizona, but this is an error, she being a product of Rossmoyne, Ohio, and was shipped to Tempe, Ariz., which is near to Phoenix, by her breeder-owner, Mrs. Loe Schenck, when she left her Buckeye state home to seek renewed health in the west. After taking up her residence in the west she used the daughter of Lepide continually and in a short time she was able to show a great lot of speed, in fact in order to test her ability she was sent to the Phoenix track and the very first time she was on the oval, a mile in 2:27 resulted. Desiring to have her registered, Mrs. Schenck wrote Cliff Todd, the well known Montgomery, O., trainer, to look after the registration and incidentally sent along three names which she preferred. Neither of these, however, would be accepted by the Association owing to their being duplicates, so Cliff then sent in the name Loe Blossom, which is the maiden name of Mrs. Schenck. In filing the necessary papers, Todd notified the Association to send the certificate direct to Mrs. Schenck at Tempe, Ariz., and this no doubt accounts for the fact that Loe Blossom 2:10½ appears in the Year Book as being a product of Arizona when she rightfully belongs to the Ohio column.—American Sportsman .

Saddle horse breeders should not overlook the fact that Futurity No. 2 of the California State Agricultural Society closes on June first, full particulars appearing elsewhere in this issue.

INDIANAPOLIS RECORD MEETING.

Thanks to the courtesy of The Horseman, we are in receipt of a report of the record meeting at the Indianapolis track on May 12, when an even dozen youngsters, mostly trotters, were given "breeders' marks" from 2:16¼ to 2:28¾. There was quite a bit of speed on tap for the season, and the day's details are as follows:

May 12—To beat 2:30¼ trotting:

Emily Axworthy (2), b f by Morgan Axworthy 2:17, dam Sally Rau 2:16¾ .....(J. B. Chandler) 2:20
Lowell Axworthy (3), b c by Axworthy 2:15½, dam Carpet 2:28 .....(A. L. Thomas) 2:21½
Last Sheet (2), b f by Mainsheet 2:05, dam S. Alta Thomas .....(A. L. Thomas) 2:22½
Lee Aubrey (3), ch c by Captain Aubrey 2:07¼, dam Orox Lee (3) 2:29¼.....(A. L. Thomas) 2:28½
Bin Bon (3), b c by Binjolla 2:17¾, dam Miss Louise S. (2) 2:29¾.....(Zach Chandler) 2:26½
Ella the Great (3), b f by Peter the Great 2:07¼, dam Ella Hewett 2:21½.....(Zach Chandler) 2:28¾
*Zorando (4), b h by Zombro 2:11, dam Alicia .....(W. P. Wickert) 2:17½
Miss Silver Todd (4), b m by Kentucky Todd 2:08¾, dam Onward Silver Belle.....(Eugene Mettler) 2:21¾
Topmast (3), b g by Mainsheet 2:05, dam S. Alta Thomas .....(A. L. Thomas) 2:24½
Grattell (7), b m by Grattan 2:13, dam Annetell 2:20½ .....(Zach Chandler) 2:25¾

May 12—To beat 2:25¼ pacing:

Minnequa Princess (5), blk m by Prince McKinney, dam Princess of Kent 2:22¾..(A. L. Thomas) 2:16¼
Shadeland Nutwood (3), b h by Wilkes Nutwood p. 2:24¾, dam Alice Onward.....(E. McGriff) 2:18¼

THE PACIFIC COAST KIND OF A KING.

We are not sure whether the ancient sages ever said that a great war is sure to break kings and to make kings. If not, they certainly lost a good chance to get between quotation marks, for it does look as though such a declaration would fit the present potentialities—as it were. However, we do not care much for kings, as such, and do not care if they all go broke; which they will not, probably, for we read the other day of a certain royal bunch which had sent seventeen million dollars to this country to be blown into American real estate and securities for their joint account. They are evidently laying up treasures where royal moth and rust do not corrupt. If they would come to California both the kings and queens might become aldermen and alderwomen—which is more than they are now sure of in Europe. But if the war is to make kings as well as break kings, then we are content also, for the Pacific coast has helped to fit out a man who is every inch a king—and he has seventy-five inches to qualify on. And this means, that if it comes to measuring men for the general managership of the European Monarchies Consolidated, which may result from this war, then Albert of Belgium has the call on the job. From the American point of view he has the goods for it; and we say this without the hope of getting a touch on his press bureau either. We take particular interest in Al, because the Pacific coast helped to give him his depth and breadth of view in the humanities; also because in his ordering for the future of Europe he would be sure to remember our canned goods, prunes and dried 'cots. Lest some of our readers may not have had a chance to slap him on the back while he was a Pacific Coaster, we are going to quote a portrait-sketch, which will help them to remember him. It also gives Albert a chance to speak for himself, which is the American essential in candidature. In the course of an interview, a reporter spoke to the king of the affection in which he was held by the Belgian people. The king smilingly said:

"You see my people know me and I know them. I have had advantages few men in my station can ever enjoy. I have traveled freely and mixed with all men, and I know how people live and think. When I was in Seattle and along the Pacific coast I lived just like any other citizen, and in my own country I have seen for myself and been able to compare the manner of living in our industrial and producing centers. I know what it is to drive an engine and to work in a coal mine. Only those who work can be really happy."

Surely, if the world has any farther use for kings and Emperors, Albert is the man who has the thoughts and acts which will last, and he particularly designates the Pacific coast as the place where he met his awakening.—Pacific Rural Press.

The stables of Will DeRyder and G. P. Machado, owned for the most part by residents of either San Francisco or Oakland, arrived at the exposition track Tuesday from Pleasanton. Spriggan, Dicto and Asa Pointer in the DeRyder string all beat ten before leaving their winter quarters, while Bradmont, in the other stable, has paced right at that figure and Graham Bellini has been trotting around 2:16.

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Charles Atkinson, the Los Angeles trainer who accompanied the Durfee horses to the Chicago sale, took with him a number of the horses he has been training throughout the season at Exposition Park and will race through some of the central western circuits. Directum Penn 2:12¼ made the trip across the mountains, as did the trotters Trix by Redlac, out of Hawthorne by McKinney, and Alexandria by Bon Voyage 2:08, out of Lucy May by Oakland Baron. All have been working in the very nicest way at Angeltown, and Charley will no doubt be in the coupon clipping crowd at most or all of the places where he races.

A REMINISCENCE OF THE RANGE.

Through dry and barren canyons the cowboys follow the herd. At the end of the canyon the trail leads up the mountainside. The way is steep and the trail rocky, narrow and dangerous. Afoot they work all the long hours of an endless afternoon, coaxing the weary, thirsty and reluctant cattle up a trail, to them unknown. Just before sundown the leaders reach the summit; they press on and the cheering news is in some mysterious manner telegraphed down the long line of cattle; they all hasten now and quickly scramble up the last steeps of the climb. They come out on a green meadowy mountain top, beset with little groves of aspen trees, an unbelievably sweet, cool and grassy paradise where cow kind can graze and stand under the aspens, and graze again.

With the last stragglers on top, the cowboys mount and ride down the mesa trail, till they come to a deep ravine, its sides set with spruce and pine and its bottom flat and grass-covered. A spring of icy water wells out from beneath a great rock. They make camp, and the aspen poles crackle in the campfire. They wash in the cold stream and drink and drink again. Soon is the bake oven on the coals, the coffee pot steams and fresh venison is frying in the pan. Across the wide and dusty plain the beef herd travels. To the right and to the left of them the line riders endlessly ride, while the other vaqueros with pack horses bring up the rear. At last the sun goes down, and the herd is turned loose to graze at will; only the horse wrangler and two of the younger boys keep them company, restraining them but little as they graze. Then is the burro unpacked and supper quickly prepared over the coals. The cowboys recline upon the ground, smoking and saying but little, for the way has been long and the day hot. The horse wrangler comes riding in with fresh horses for the night. Each rider selects one from his string and saddles it. Now two of them go to round the cattle up for the night's bedding down. They mount their fresh horses.

The feel of a fresh horse under one is almost enough to make a weary man feel rested. The cattle have scattered far, grazing as they go. They turn at our approach; easily they draw again toward a common center. We decide upon the place where they are to be herded for the night. It is a smooth place where we may ride around them and find no pitfall of badger hole or soft ground for the horses. Two of us then take shift; the others go back to camp, and are soon wrapped in blankets and in the dreamless slumber of the cowboy. We two ride about our herd, bringing the beasts a little nearer all the time, until we have them in a rather compact body, but yet not too close for their own comfort. On opposite sides we are, and endlessly we ride about in wide circles, heading in the straying ones, seeking to venture out to grass once more.

The stars have come out now. How brilliant they are in the heavens. The moon rises over the distant hills, flooding the plain with the light that never was on land nor sea. Long shadows our horses cast. The cattle are unquiet; they do not lie down; we must sing to lull them to sleep. We strike up then the old familiar ditties of the cowboys; we tell those cattle of "Sweet Betsy from Pike," and of how "Once in our saddle we used to go dashing, Once in our saddle we used to be free." We resurrect old forgotten camp-meeting songs and sing these.

Endlessly we ride and endlessly sing, occasionally shouting across at each other, for it is not noise but silence that cattle on the plains will fear. At last we have our reward; the steers begin to lie down, one by one; then we see them nearly all sleeping upon the ground, and are glad. Still we ride, still we sing, still the cool air of the desert plain refreshes us and still the silvery moon floods the world with its unreal light. We ride and sing, but our songs now are low. Across the way we hear our comrade singing, "Shall We Gather at the River." The cattle sleep on; it is 1 o'clock at last. Quietly, cautiously, stealthily two comrades come riding across the plain. They are two sleepy boys, dragged out by a merciless, pitiless cook, and are our relief. We exchange good-humored salutations and tell the news of the night. On the distant hills the coyote, embittered of life, gives voice to his accumulated woes. What relief to ride to camp, our long day's work ended at last! We unsaddle and stake our horses near by, to be ready in case of need. We wrap in blankets, with boots for pillows; the stars twinkle and the moon shines down on two sleepy boys. The cool, sweet air of the plain caresses them; they know no more, not even of dreams, until in the early dawn comes the foreman, with a kind face and humorous smile, a touch on the shoulder and a cheery voice, "Turn out, fellers; turn out, fellers! Here's another bran' new day."—Joseph E. Wing, Breeders' Gazette.

In response to an inquiry from a subscriber concerning the standing of a trotter with a winrace record of 2:23¼ over a non association track at a meeting which was never made a matter of record with either of the parent organizations, we wish to say that those figures constitute a bar which defines the horse's eligibility. Over any and all tracks he is eligible to the 2:24 class, or faster ones.

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M. W. Savage, who with Mrs. Savage and his son Harold has been spending several weeks in Southern California, was among the visitors at Pleasanton this week.

ANDY WELCH SQUEALS ON "PA" HAMLIN.

A group of horsemen were gathered in New York last winter. A. J. Welch, familiarly known as "Andy," joined the group just as the discussion began to wax warm as to whether "Nick"Hubinger or E. E. Smathers was the heaviest investor in auction pools in the great days of the plungers. The man from Hartford, who has handled millions of dollars in wagers on the trotters, listened a few moments to the tales that were told of the memorable killings at Cleveland, Pittsburg and Buffalo and then he said, with an air of authority:—

"Do you want to know who would bet more money than either of them and never let anybody know he had a dollar on a race? You couldn't guess in a week, so I'll tell you—nobody but 'Pa' Hamlin of Buffalo. He was the biggest bettor, on occasions, that ever followed the trotters. Why, many a time he has put an open order in the box and bet the whole crowd to a standstill. Of course, he had fifteen or twenty millions to do it with, and what he lost or won was only a drop in the bucket, but I have seen him stand to win a snug little fortune over more than one horse that Ed Geers was driving for him.

"Mr. Hamlin was not only a good horseman, but a mighty smart man. I never saw it come out quite so plain as it did at Cleveland in '92, just after the first pneumatic sulky made its appearance. He had Honest George in the Village Farm string that summer, and out at Detroit, where the Grand Circuit opened, he got into as hot a race as you ever saw, with Hazel Wilkes, Little Albert, Walter E. and some more of them.

"It was postponed on account of darkness after they had gone three heats. Honest George had two of them, but he was a little short bred, and had the reputation of being soft and it looked as they ought to beat him the next day. Well, that night or the next morning Geers or Mr. Hamlin borrowed the only bike sulky on the ground for Honest George to finish out the postponed race. He won the final heat like breaking sticks in the fastest time of the four; I think in about 2:16. That was the first time a pneumatic sulky was ever used in a Grand Circuit race. It was one that Fred Clark of Boston had built, and was just an old-fashioned sulky fitted with the bicycle wheels.

"Geers let the cat out of the bag by finishing in a jog with Honest George that day, but nobody except him and Mr. Hamlin seemed to wake up to what made the bay horse win so easy and go so fast. The next week, when we moved over to Cleveland, and the same horses came together again, Honest George was favorite, but I don't believe he would have been if Mr. Hamlin hadn't backed him as he did, because Turner, Johnny Goldsmith, Charley Green, Bob Stewart, George Starr and all the others were out to down him, and they had such horses as Abbie V., Hazel Wilkes, Sprague Golddust, Walter E. and Little Albert to do it with. But they were going to high wheels and Honest George had the bike.

"They went at him one at a time in as desperate a fashion as you ever saw, first with Sprague Golddust, a flash horse but a fast one, and then with Hazel Wilkes. Colonel Edwards let Goldsmith get her off two lengths ahead of the pole horse in the second heat, and in trying to hold his position Honest George went to a break. Say, those fellows had a stone wall built in front of him before you could wink you eye, and he never had a chance for that heat. George Starr made his try with Little Albert in the third. He had laid him up twice and he went an awful mile when they cut him loose, but old George squeezed home first by a head, just the same. It took his life to win, though, and it really looked pretty bad for him when they came out to go the fourth heat, because Turner and Stewart had been holding Abbie V. and Walter E. in reserve for just this heat, and, if any of you remember them, there were not two gamer, tougher trotters on earth than Turner's old gray mare and 'Bob' Stewart's horse that year.

"I want to tell you, when we saw Orrin Hickok put on Bob's red and green jacket and get up behind Walter E. to help those allies win 'Pa' Hamlin's money it was pretty good odds they would land it. They used to call Hickok the 'Tallyrand of the turf,' but if the original Mr. Tallyrand ever classed with Orrin he was certainly some strategist.

"I couldn't tell you now how much Mr. Hamlin stood to win or lose when they started for that heat. But the finish made a difference of at least fifty thousand dollars to him, if I remember right. Nobody would have thought he had fifty dollars bet on it, though, if they had seen him standing out there in front of the grandstand in his linen suit, under his old green sun umbrella. He was 72 years old at that time.

"Turner's mare proved to be the one Geers had to beat when it came to the last line of trenches. They both went at him like demons over on the far turn, but Walter E. couldn't quite reach, in spite of all Hickok's skill. Turner nor nobody else ever drove a greater heat than the little General did with Abbie V. He just carried her along on her tiptoes the whole length of the stretch, trotting, but right on the verge of a break. Honest George—they named him right—was a horse that would die on a trot, and, say, he died all right, but old Eddie boy kept him alive that time long enough to nose out Turner's mare in the fastest heat of the race. I think the time was 2:15¼.

"We didn't know it then, but we all know now that if it hadn't been for the bike sulky they borrowed for Honest George he couldn't have saved his entrance money in that company that day. Of course, Mr. Hamlin knew it meant a whole lot, and he was betting his money on the sulky, not the horse. Still, neither he nor any of the rest ever dreamed that it meant four or five seconds. The boys caught on after they lost their money, and by the time they got to the next town all the smart ones had their sulkies cut down and fitted with bicycle wheels. One of 'em—Roy Wilkes Davie—was too smart. He put a pair of 55-inch wheels, with pneumatic tires, on his sulky, thinking they would beat the small ones, but he got his horse shut out in his first race, and that was the last of his invention.

"Mr. Hamlin wasn't always quite as smart as he was about that bike sulky," continued Mr. Welch. "I remember a race on his own track, there at Buffalo, when he lost more money than he won at Cleveland. He had a black pacing mare called Moonstone, and he just bet her off the board on the last day of the meeting: It must have been in '94. Anyhow, 'Jack' Curry had a horse in the race that nobody except 'Jack' and his crowd thought much about, and 'Jack,' you know, hardly ever drove one that he wasn't cock sure could win, so the Hamlin people—'Pa,' Harry and Pendleton of Providence—didn't pay much attention to him. They knew the Mambrino King mare could go three heats in 10 or better, which was mighty fast in those days, and when 'Jack' began to talk about having a two-minute horse they thought he was crazy.

"What do you suppose they were betting against? Nothing but Joe Patchen. If he hadn't won it they still wouldn't have had an outside chance, for second money went to John R. Gentry. It was the first year for the stallions in the Grand Circuit, and people didn't then know the difference between them and ordinary pacers."—New York Herald.

WHERE THE STEAKS COME FROM.

To the big, red-blooded American who does big things, and especially to the western man who is constantly looking for big things to do, the exhibit of utility beef animals in the Department of Live Stock, Panama-Pacific International Exposition, will have a strong appeal.

The dominant races of mankind and the dominant men in these races are meat-eaters and the supplying of this food element is one of the most important of human industries.

Upon this food man has conquered the wild places, made a highway of the trackless sea and built his home on the rim of the world. He has brought his race from savagery to civilization, turned the land from a wilderness to wealth, girdled the earth with spidery wires, bound nations together with rails of steel, divided continents, over-topped Babel with his offices and created greater problems for the future because of the great accomplishments of the past.

This meat food supply must continue not only for the domination of the race but for its very continuance, and the value of such object lessons as are here presented can scarcely be overestimated.

Here are shown the Shorthorns, Herefords and Aberdeen-Angus cattle for a study of the types and breed characteristics of some of the best beef breeds with large and early development of the valuable parts. In contrast are the Mexicans and American "Natives" of no breeding. Good blood, early maturity and large development of choice beef on the one hand and "cold" blood, slow development and no choice cuts on the other.

This exhibit is made by leading packers of the Pacific coast, and economy of production and profits for the producer as contrasted with expensive production and loss for the producer are shown by the following figures:

The Shorthorns in this exhibit weigh 1112 pounds each at two years of age and sell at 7¼c per pound, making their value $80.00 per head.

The Aberdeen-Augus weigh 1088 pounds each at two years and sell for 7 1-3c per pound, value $79.75 each.

The Herefords weigh 1325 pounds each at three years of age and sell at 7c per pound, fixing their value at $92.75 each.

All these are profitable beef producers and show that "baby beef" at two years old is the most economical.

The "natives" may have had a small infusion of good blood but not much nor recently. They weigh 1056 pounds each at four years of age and sell at 6¼c per pound, giving a value of $66.00 per head. These cattle require twice the length of time to reach a marketable maturity that is needed by the "baby beeves."

The Mexicans weigh 750 pounds each at eight years of age and sell for 3¾c per pound, giving them a value of $43.10 per head. These animals require four times the period needed for maturity by the "baby beeves" and sell for about one-half as much per pound.

The "Natives" and the Mexicans are distinctly unprofitable animals for ordinary conditions while the "baby beeves" offer a pleasant and remunerative field of activity which is not likely to be overdone.

These steers are shown as one of the educational or view herds now on exhibition in the Department of Live Stock. In the comprehensive plans of Chief D. O. Lively, he gave large attention to the economic and utility as well as to the ideal and fancy in breeding, and the object lessons here taught are as valuable in showing what not to do as they are in showing what should be done to win success in the live stock industry.

—I. D. GRAHAM.

IN THE BLUE GRASS.

Lexington, Ky., May 8.—In January H. C. Moody received a draft of yearlings from the Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland, Cal., owned by John W. Considine, the well known theatrical magnate, all of which were sired by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20, the premier stallion at the establishment. Since arriving here each of the yearlings has shown speed of a high order. This is particularly true of Anselila, a bay filly out of Ila Moko, that has trotted a quarter in 35½ seconds. This is not only the fastest quarter trotted by a yearling here this season, but is also the fastest quarter ever trotted so early in the season by a yearling. The filly is a nice substantial bay filly and is just the sort one would expect to be a good trotter at first glance. Her dam is one of the mares bought by Mr. Considine in the New York sale three years ago when he secured a number of good matrons. Her pedigree is gilt-edged, as the dam of Ila Moko is the producer, Dictator's Last, by Dictator 113; second dam, Medium's Last (dam of the former champion two-year-old trotter, Trampfast (2) 2:12¼).

Anselot, by Prince Ansel out of Lottie Whippleton 2:15, by San Diego, has been a quarter in 38 seconds and an eighth in 18. He is a brother to the good California trotters Prince Lot 2:07¼ and Lottie Ansel (2) 2:14¼. Verbena Ansel, out of Verbena Mac, by Directum Spier 2:11¼, has been a quarter in 38 and an eighth in 18½ seconds. Bonnie Ansel, out of Woodland Bonnie Derby, has been a quarter in 39¼. Edna Ansel, out of Edna Saunders, sister to Adlon (3) 2:07¼, Rusticoat (2) 2:13¼, and Dorothy Axworthy (2) 2:21¼, trotted a quarter in :41½, last eighth in :20½. Lord Ansel, out of Lauress, by Mendocino 2:19½, trotted a quarter in 40 seconds and is a much faster colt. He is a brother to the pacing mare, Laura Rogers 2:11¼ (trial 2:06¼). Alma Ansel, out of Alma McGregor (2) 2:24¼, by Jay McGregor 2:07¼, second dam Alma Vista 2:20¼ (dam of Alma Forbes (3) 2:10, etc.), has not been worked a quarter, but has been an eighth in 22½ seconds.

This is rather a remarkable showing for seven yearlings. Few owners have ever shipped colts of their age so far to be trained and Mr. Considine deserves success with them. The shoes have been pulled off of Anselila and she will be turned out for a short rest.

Besides these colts Moody has two Kentucky bred ones that have shown well, in a yearling bay colt by Peter the Great 2:07¼, out of Carrietta, and the two-year-old Suldine (1) 2:24¾, the colt that had the distinction of being the fastest yearling trotter of last year. The latter looks like a show horse and is going well. His best move of the season was a mile Wednesday (in company with Dixie Craig 2:12¾) in 2:29½, coming the last half in 1:12. The Peter the Great colt is highly considered by Mr. Moody. He was bred by Mr. Considine, who also owns a filly foal, sister to him.

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There has been considerable fast work at the track the past week by juveniles. The most sensational performance was that of the two-year-old bay colt, Maple Tree, by Siliko (3) 2:11¼, out of Bertha Leyburn (3) 2:17 (sister to Crito Leyburn 2:13¼) by Arion 2:07¾, that trotted a mile in 2:21½, last half in 1:09. The three-year-old filly, Silquis, that trotted in 2:14 the past season, stepped a handy mile in 2:17, last half in 1:06, last quarter in :32. Hayes rates her as up to a mile in 2:12, and the two-year-old in 2:15 or 2:16 at the present time. These colts will shortly be shipped to Tommy Murphy to finish their season's training and race later in their engagements. There is a two-year-old filly in the stable by Siliko, out of Markala p. 2:18¾, by Peter the Great, that Hayes rates higher than any trotter in his stable. She recently trotted an eighth in 15 seconds.

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H. C. Moody is the owner of a very handsome black colt which arrived last week. It is by Manrico (3) 2:07¼, out of Ollie Wood (two-year-old trial 2:19¼), by Bingen 2:06¼. Moody has received from W. H. L. McCourtie, Minneapolis, Minn., the two-year-old bay colt by San Francisco 2:07¾, out of Widow Maggie by Peter the Great 2:07¼. This is the first colt bred in these lines that has been trained here and the outcome of the line will be watched with interest.

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James Snell received seven head of youngsters the past week from Curles Neck Farm to be trained and given records this season. They are: Ben Billings (2) 2:29½, b. c. (4), by Bingen—Lou Dillon 1:58½; Barbar Wise, c. h. (2) 2:26¼, ch. f. (3) by Peter the Great—Kokomo by Moko; The Gloaming, b. f. (3) by Moko—Twilight Maiden, by Peter the Great; Expressive Lou, b. f. (2) by Atlantic Express—Lou Dillon; Virgie Spier, b. f. (2) by Directum Spier—Ariello (sister to Albia 2:08 and Vice Commodore 2:11) by Bingen; Peter Dillon, b. c. (2) by Peter the Great—Aidoo Dillon 2:24¼ (dam of Dillon Axworthy (3) 2:10¼), by Sidney Dillon. These were the property of Curles Neck Farm, the seventh being the property of A. E. Saunders—The Reminder, b. c. (1), by The Harvester 2:01—Memories (dam of Todd Forbes (3) 2:15, and sister to Todd 2:14¾) by Bingen 2:06¼.

Possibly the choice of the lot on looks is the two-year-old Peter Dillon, a very handsome bay colt of beautiful size and color and a half-brother to Dillon Axworthy, the best two-year-old of his year. The two-year-old bay filly, Expressive Lou, is also of considerable interest because of the fact of her being out of the champion mare and by the fast colt trotter, Atlantic Express.—Western Horseman.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

FISHING FROM A TOGOBBAN.

Angling in the streams of India, from most accounts, seems to be confined to the capture of the mahseer, a fish related to the carp family, and in these waters a game fish and worthy of the rodster's attention. The following story recounted by an Indian sportsman is not without interest for the reader, particularly so to those who have fished some stretches of the McKenzie river in Washington, near Medford. There the river rips along at a 10-mile or more an hour gait. Skiffs are launched and the anglers, once in the current, have no recourse but to keep the boat properly pointed down stream. Zipping through rapids and eddies, in the splashing spray, opportunity is given for a cast here and there, as the guide directs, if one is a novice, and well filled creels of fine sized fish can be taken. On this particular trip down stream the anglers generally make shore at Cook's, for breakfast and things—after a most exciting 10 or 12 mile ride down stream. The boats? Oh, they are taken back by wagon to the starting place. Now for the odd ride down a famous river in India:

It was early in November, out of the usual leave season, that by a combination of fortunate circumstances I found myself for three weeks on the banks of the Jumna near where it leaves the hills and but a few miles below its junction with the Giri. November is really late for mahseer fishing. On the Giri I used to find the spring, from March up to "the rains," towards the end of June, the best time, but on rivers like the Jumna, affected in summer by the melting snows, the fishing was spoiled as soon as the snow-water came down. However, these proved weeks of great sport, with game, both big and small, varied by quite good fishing.

My camp was pitched near Pounta Pool, a magnificent picturesque spot, overshadowed by cliffs, on which stood two very ancient Hindu temples with domed roof and tapering spires. Just below these temples a tearing, foaming rapid formed the head of the pool, below which 300 yards of deep, swirling water swept the base of the cliffs, gradually slackening in pace, and increasing from about 60 yards in width till it spread fan-shaped into a broad, gravelly shallow 100 yards across, the picture, from an artist's point of view, being rendered even more attractive by dozens of native women in gay-colored garments standing knee deep in the water washing clothes. Pounta Pool held enormous mahseer, but these were not easily killed, being well fed by the priests belonging to the temple, so they did not take a spoon well, and my experience was that it was only the smaller ones which rose to a fly.

Personally, a 20-pounder was my largest from Pounta, but the far side under the cliffs was beyond reach, and unworkable from a boat, even if one could have been obtained, the nearest approach being a surnai. This consists of two mussucks or inflated skins, usually of goat, with the legs cut off close to the body and securely tied; it forms a buoyant conveyance even in the roughest water, and is quite unsinkable unless the skins are cut, a most unlikely contingency, as they are exceedingly tough and strong, so much so that even when dashed against a rock they bound off like a football, with very little feeling of concussion to the passenger.

The surnai has a small native bedstead lashed across the two bladder-like skins, forming a narrow but secure platform on which you can sit straddle-legged as if on a very broad, flat saddle. I do not describe it as the height of comfort. Moreover, casting in a sitting position with a 17-foot salmon rod was pretty hard work.

The previous evening my two surnai men had arrived with one for me and a single mussuck for each of them. The plan was that each man, lying flat across his mussuck, using a hard paddle and also his legs for steering, worked my surnai across the river, if necessary, or into position for me to cast over an otherwise unfishable spot; in shallow water they did this by wading. Another advantage was that these skin rafts were so light they were easily carried tied across a man's back.

Before starting for the day I always had my "river-side companion" securely tied on my surnai close in front of where I sat. Perhaps it is as well to explain that this was not a lady, but a square tin case conveniently fitted with divisions to hold reels, lines, and every kind of fishing tackle, to say nothing of there being room for a flask and a packet of sandwiches—a very complete outfit for a day on the river.

Now to my story. Leaving camp early, I began to work a couple of miles below Pounta, and fished slowly down stream, killing several fish, but nothing over 5 pounds. Halting in the shade for a midday lunch, I enjoyed a magnificent view of the distant white-domed temples, the swirling, foaming river, with its background of jungle-clad hills, far beyond which a lofty snow peak stood out clearly defined against a cloudless sky. Starting again after lunch, I soon killed a nice, sporting 12-pounder, then one of 3 pounds. At this time I had reached a long run of heavy water, which ended in a tearing rapid, about a couple of hundred yards of foaming river, with huge rocks showing here and there, before it fell into a deep, eddying pool. At the head of this run I was taken by something big. At one rush out went seventy or eighty yards of line, the reel shrieking sweet music. Slipping, stumbling (and possibly swearing) over the boulders, I ran as fast as my legs would carry me, at the same time shouting to my men to have my "surnai" ready for all contingencies, for it looked any odds on having to follow my fish down the rapid, the bank just below us being impassable. Running along the water's edge, I reeled in as fast as possible, but a bad slip, and down I went in a sitting position, in waist-deep water. Luckily no damage was done. Moreover at this minute the mahseer stopped and sulked deep in mid stream, giving me time to pull myself together.

Reeling in, I got opposite to where the fish lay, and clearly realized it was a choice of a break or else of following him down the rough water, now so short a distance below us that his next run would to a certainty take him down it whether he wanted to go or not. It was not a pleasant prospect, but I felt sure the "surnai" would not burst or turn over, and I was determined not to lose my fish if I could help doing so.

Meanwhile all had been prepared. Rod in hand and line tight, I settled myself securely straddle-legged, got one man to hold the "surnai" ready to push it off into the stream, and directed the other to bombard and start the fish. At the first large stone, most deftly hurled by my boatman, away went the mahseer straight for the rapid, followed by me on my mussuck raft. Whirr! went the reel, out tore yards of line. I was in for it, feeling none too happy, though the excitement of this wonderful piece of sport made one rather forget the dangers ahead. In a minute we were in such strong water that there was no command over the "surnai." Down we rushed at a great and increasing pace, the fish well ahead. Once or twice protruding rocks seemed to threaten disaster, the inflated skins tumbled about most alarmingly, dashing over huge boulders scarcely submerged, grazing and bumping off others to the imminent risk of my legs. It was a most exciting ride, to say nothing of the anxiety lest I should lose the fish, which, when about three-parts of the way down the rapid, stopped, doubtless having taken shelter behind a stone, and I actually passed him.

It was really all over in a few seconds, though it seemed far longer before we plopped into the smooth water of the pool below, with nearly a hundred yards of line out behind me, and the fish probably lost. Quickly paddling ashore, I reeled in, put on the strain, and—joy! The fish was still on and completely played out by his bucketing in the rapids, so I soon had him down stream, rolling dead beat on the surface of the water, and my men, who had run round and rejoined me, waded in, and shortly had him safely stranded on the gravelly beach, a fine mahseer of 23 pounds, though I fully expected him to be bigger from the rush with which he started. Stirring memories of a strenuous past that haunt the evening of one's life. What days! What sport!

Fish Lines

Prospects for well-filled trout creels the past week were not overly encouraging. Reports from many of the fishing resorts are that rivers and creeks are bank high and muddy. The recent rains put an embargo on trout angling operations far and near.

In some waters bait fishing has been fairly well rewarded. Fair weather for the past two days will make conditions favorable to a moderate extent for tomorrow. The outlook, however, is most excellent for splendid fly-fishing in a week or ten days.

Prior to the recent unusual rainy spell trout fishermen who visited the San Mateo coast streams and lagoons were well satisfied with results and looked forward to good sport. Since then, however, it is another story. The few rodsters who flaunted weather conditions were up against high water and muddy roads conditions that put a veto on the sport. For machine trips the roads, in some places, were impassable. One party started for Waddell creek. They nearly reached their destination when the machine was stalled. They had to abandon the auto, and managed to continue along the coast until Santa Cruz was reached. Another party was compelled to leave their machine near San Gregorio and return by stage. Latest reports are that the coast roads are not yet in shape for machine going.

The Klamath river, near the Hot Springs, seems to be an exception to general unfavorable conditions. Dave Hearfield, Harold Hearfield, A. M. Cumming, Hugh Copeland, E. W. Bosqui, Joel Harlan, J. B. Coleman, D. Duncan and other local rod and reel sportsmen are on the river at present, and catching large trout daily. The killing lures are spoons and helgramite baited hooks, nor is tyee roe refused by the big steelheads.

R. C. Spinks advises Sam Wells from Chiloquim, in Oregon, that there are lots of big fish in the Williamson river and a few in Spring creek, and a good fishing season is anticipated. It might be timely to mention here the favorite flies for that water: Improved governor, light caddis, McGinty, March brown, California royal coachman and Williams cow dun, dressed on No. 6 or No. 8 hooks. Also bear in mind that a spinning spoon will be effective, and later on, when the grasshoppers appear, the trout are just crazy for a hopper diet.

The creeks in Marin, Sonoma and Lake counties were running bank high. Fly fishing was out of the question. Tomorrow should be fairly good for the bait fishermen. Bob Bowman fished Sonoma creek from Kenwood up for several days prior to the rainy spell with good success. There must be a few left in that stretch of water worthy of angleworm efforts tomorrow.

Lagunitas lake was tried out with fair success during the past week by Charley Breidenstein, Baldo Ivancovich, Fred Tobelman, Carl Westerfeld, Fred Willet and others. Monday the floodgates were opened to allow surplus water to run off. The creek near Libertys looked like Paper Mill in flood time, there was so much water.

Feather river fishing was most promising up to Monday, last week. At Cresta, Ed Thompson watched the river rise seven feet in that many hours. Fish are plentiful in that stretch, however—fine, large, healthy fish that spawned early in the season. The outlook for good spoon fishing in the near future is most auspicious. Near Big Bar the best results at present are found in the small creeks. Advices from Big Bar, or Pulga as it is known now, are that good fishing can be enjoyed when the weather moderates. Fishing in the Feather river for two weeks or so will be bait or spoon fishing. Before the rains salmon flies were out by the millions in the Big Bar region. Good catches were made on salmon fly and helgramite baited hooks. When the time for fly-fishing sets in you might use to advantage a light caddis fly pattern, or gray hackle with a yellow body; gold standard, pale watery dun, professor, red ant, red spinner or black gnat fly, tied on No. 8 or No. 10 hooks. The No. 8 is said to be preferable. In the creeks use a No. 10 fly hook.

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Many striped bass fishermen use detachable motors to propel their skiffs and fishing boats up and down the sloughs and creeks in and about the bay waters—and thereby hangs a tale. One Petaluma fisherman paid a fine of $15 because he was running a motor boat without complying with the "Government regulation for navigable waters." He was overhauled on Petaluma creek and questioned about the equipment of his skiff, which was propelled by a small detachable motor. He rather scoffed at the information he received and paid no subsequent attention to the request to visit the office of the Collector of the Port at the Custom House building. In due course he received a communication from the U. S. officials to come to town and pay fifteen simoleons for non-compliance with the Federal statute. Another boat owner, while spinning through San Rafael canal in his motor driven skiff, also fell in the toils to the extent of $10. A number of up-river fishing boat owners have also been gathered in the net of the custom house scouts.

The fact that the little boats driven by detachable power motors come within the scope of the United States law may not be generally known, but such is the case, and it stands one in hand to get in line and avoid complications. None of the bass fishing sportsmen would willingly ignore the law in the matter, but ignorance, just the same, will not excuse anyone here.

The regulation that covers the situation is as follows: Class One includes all boats less than 26 feet in length. Every boat in this class must carry the folliwing lights: A white light aft; a combined lantern at the fore part of the vessel, showing green to starboard and red to port. Every motor shall be provided with a whistle or other sounding mechanical device capable of producing a blast of two seconds or more in duration. Such motor boats shall carry life preservers, life belts or buoyant cushions, ring buoys or other device prescribed, sufficient to sustain afloat every person on board. Also must be carried for immediate use the means to promptly and effectually extinguish gasoline (a can of sand or salt will answer). No style or size of whistle, fog horn or bell is prescribed, provided such device is available and efficient for the use intended. A mouth whistle capable of producing a two-second call which can be heard for at least one-half mile, or an ordinary fish horn, it is said, will meet the requirement of the law.

Therefore get busy and have your motor boat, large or small, outfitted as required by Uncle Sam.

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From striped bass fishermen's point of view the recent rains put the sport on the shelf decidedly. The San Antone ark colony, however, put in an off day in straightening up quarters and repairing such damage as was done by the stormy weather. Dr. A. P. Matson joined the flotilla of arks and boats with the ex-racing sloop Corinthian, now housed over and comfortably equipped for a fisherman's outing. But few bass have been taken in the creek recently.

Bob Sangster and Guus Christianson's two 15-pounders are the best catches reported—before the rains, however.

Reports are that bass have recently been taken at Port Costa by wharf rodsters. Another report gives the Marin shores off California City as the scene of bass catches.

The Wingo phalanx have not much opportunity to try for striped bass in that section. This Sunday, however, should find fishing conditions there better than for two weeks past; in fact, such should be the rule at all of the bass fishing resorts.

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Black bass fishing in Middle river, about 14 miles below Stockton, has been good since the season opened, May 1. R. B. Murdoch, Louis Gotthelf and J. J. Bemis have made fair catches of nice sized black bass during several recent trips. Bass caught in that district, No. 2, cannot be brought into this city, in the third district. The open season for black bass will begin on June 1 in district No. 3.

ONE OF THE OLD GUARD GONE.

The late Manuel L. Cross, a Deputy Fish and Game Commissioner for the past twenty-five years, was most popular and well esteemed by the sportsmen of this State. For many years past he had charge of the Wawona hatchery, and through his painstaking efforts the Yosemite streams were annually stocked with trout. For a number of years his work was devoted to transplanting black bass, which he did successfully in practically all of the waters of this State. He was at one time an active and efficient official in the patrolling of Russian river, Petaluma creek and the bay waters.

FLY-CASTING CONTESTS.

San Francisco Fly-Casting Club members were busy Saturday afternoon and Sunday forenoon, May 15 and 16, in a special series of contests—back scores for the regular series of gold medal contests, that wehe postponed and handicapped by reason of previous unfavorable weather.

Event 1 was accuracy fly-casting percentages, five casts at each of three ring buoys. Event 2, delicacy percentages fly-casting, five casts at each of three ring buoys. Event 3, heavy trout tackle distance fly-casting, in feet. Event 4, lure casting, with half-ounce frogs, percentages. Event 5, lure casting, half-ounce frog, distance, in feet. Event 6, "slam" casting, longest in feet of five casts with half-ounce frog.

The "in and out" event Sunday, at the target rings, counts as follows: the contestant, if he makes a hit the first cast continues, at the same target, until a miss is made, he then casts at the second target, continuing at that mark until he again misses, thence to the third ring. The scores Sunday were: C. H. Kewell 9.2, Cooper 3, Burgin 3, Denzel 3, Davis 2, Reed 2, Kierulff 2, The scores follow:

Special Re-Entry Contest. Medal Series, Stow Lake, May 15, 1915.

Judges, W. J. Davis, Jr., C. H. Gardner. Referee, C. H. Kewell. Clerk, E. O. Ritter.

Events—	1			2		3	4	5	6
	a	b	c						
W. D. Mansfield	99.12	99		99.6	99		92.8		
W. D. Mansfield	99.16	99		89.8	99.12	100	98		
F. H. Reed	98.28	98.40		98.34	98.56		87		
F. H. Reed	98.52	99		98.56	98.16				
H. A. Thomson	98.56	98		98.28	98.24				
H. A. Thomson	98.52	99.40		99.16	98.28				
H. A. Thomson	98.44	96.20		97.32					
J. Springer	98.44	96.20		97.32					
C. G. Young	98.28	99.20		98.54	98.40		98.3		
C. H. Kewell	98.36	96.40		97.38	99.12		97.5		165
L. C. Dengel	92.10	93.40		92.55	95				
C. H. Gardner	98.44	99		98.52	99.28		99.2		
W. J. Davis, Jr.	98.52	99.20		99.6	99.12		95.3	103	150
J. Springer					96.35				
L. C. Dengel					94.28				
F. J. Cooper					99.28		98.5		
F. J. Cooper					99.36		97.9		
J. F. Burgin							96.6		
C. H. Kewell									
C. H. Kewell									155

Special Re-Entry Contest. Medal Series, Stow Lake, May 16, 1915. Wind, southwest. Weather, cloudy.

Judges, Dr. W. E. Brooks, W. J. Davis, Jr., J. F. Burgin. Referee, C. H. Kewell. Clerk, E. O. Ritter.

Events—	1			2		3	4	5	6
	a	b	c						
F. J. Cooper				99.20	86		97.7	87	
F. J. Cooper				99.24			98.4	79	
E. A. Rogers	98.8	98.20	98.14	98.4	84		96.1	101	160
E. A. Rogers	97.44	98.40	98.12				96.5	129	
J. F. Burgin				98.56	100		95.3		
J. F. Burgin	98.36	98	98.18	99	98		98.6		
L. C. Dengel				97.40					
L. C. Dengel				98.24					
W. J. Davis, Jr.	98.52	98.40	98.46	99.44	90		96.3	132	165
W. J. Davis, Jr.	98.48	99	98.54	99.40			96.4	155	
W. D. Mansfield	98.56	99	98.58	99.8	108		96.8		
W. D. Mansfield	98.52	97.40	98.16	99.16			93.9		
A. Sperry	98.12	97.40	97.56	97.56	92		97		
A. Sperry	98.40	97.20	98	99			97.8		
J. Springer	96.28	97.40	96.4	97.28					
J. Springer	98.52	96.40	97.46	99.8					
F. H. Reed	98.40	98.40	98.40	99					
F. H. Reed	98.16	98	98.8	98.28					
C. H. Gardner	98.24	100	99.12	99.24			99.1		
C. H. Gardner	99.20	99.40	99.30	99.4			99.5		
T. C. Kierulff	99.36	99.40	99.38	99.36			97.1		
T. C. Kierulff	99.20	99.40	99.30	98.8					
C. G. Young	99.20	99.20	99.20	98.28			97.1		
C. G. Young	98.44	99	98.52	99.16			94.5		
C. H. Kewell	99	97	98	99.20	92		98.1	135	
C. H. Kewell	98.36	97.20	97.58	99			98	105	
Dr. W. E. Brooks	99.16	99.40	99.28	98.40			92.5		
Dr. W. E. Brooks	98.16	97.40	97.58	99.12					

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

CLEANING AND FIELD MANAGEMENT OF MODERN HIGH-POWER RIFLES.

These notes are not for target shots; the writer is well aware that they know (?) all that can be known about rifles. Also that so long as they have every comfort and appliance and unlimited time they can make those marvelous "scores," which just ordinary mortals can never hope to equal.

A pamphlet on our military rifle begins by instructing how to rasp down the wood under the fore-end bands; how to dust emery powder on the bolt; and how to clean by resting the muzzle on a "soft board," etc. If you can secure a new arm at your pleasure; if you don't object to blowing your face off; and if you care nothing about how your rifle shoots, probably this is good advice; but a mere hunter or soldier had better beware of all such amusements.

How shall a rifle be cleaned in the field? How to do it in some cheerless bunkhouse in the Rocky mountains, the Sierras, or in some dreary log camp on the route of the Canadian Pacific Railroad, let us say. "Always clean from the breech," says our target dandy; "remove the bolt," "rest the muzzle on a soft board"—all utter rot.

You are half-drenched; the shack has a floor of begrimed "splits." There is no "soft smooth board" within one hundred miles, but you have in your kit (1) a little tin box, a lump of carbonate of soda (washing soda); (2) a jointed cleaning-rod; (3) a packet of twilled muslin rags wrapped in oilcloth; (4) a small can of oil.

Proceed as follows: Boil about two table-spoonfuls of water in your tin cup; while boiling drop in a lump of soda, say the size of your little finger joint; take a piece of clean rag, oil it slightly, and place it in the chamber of the rifle; close the bolt on it; this will keep water, etc., out of the action and firing pinhole. Place a rag of suitable size in the slot piece of your cleaning rod; dip it in the soda solution and scrub the barrel with butt resting on the floor.

With a brass rod free from all grit, used in this manner, a moderately careful man will harm a rifle less in two years than he will do in a week by removing bolt and resting muzzle on a board in camp. Use three or four of these soda rags, then dry the barrel thoroughly with four or five rags, and the rifle is clean.

Dry the cleaning-rod, place in the slot a rag rather wet with "Three-in-One," the "Rem-UMC" or "Winchester" gun grease, and rub the barrel for several minutes. Take out the rag from the chamber, wipe off all moisture, and put a little oil on the bolt and lugs. The arm is ready for another day in the open.

The rod barrack cleaner of our service is excellent, but it appears to be the duty of no one to carry it on service. Our wretched "thong" or pull-through is of little use, but is better than nothing, if the bit of rag is soaked with nitro solvent oil. There are several forms (consisting of mineral oil containing a percentage of caustic soda) on the market. They must be carried in a glass bottle and are apt to be a nuisance, but will do the work; never put them in a tin oil-can, as corrosion quickly occurs and leakage is certain.

Again I beg to say I am not writing for target shots and would-be-such; these have many admirable books to consult. Many oils come in a pasteboard carton, which keeps the bottle fairly safe and allows space for packing dry rags also. If one of these alkaline oils be used, a little plain hot water will suffice for the first scrubbing, the oil being freely applied after thorough drying.

A rifle so treated will be all right for about twenty-four hours if it has not again been used. At the end of that time a brush rubbing with a fresh oiled rag will keep it in good condition. Assuredly, no one in your party or company will have any "boiled linseed oil"; but if yours is an exception, beg or steal a few drops and finger-rub it into the wood of the fore-end. If not, spare a little "Three-in-One" for the same purpose; it is not as good as the linseed oil for this purpose, but will serve and may prevent warping of the fore-end and changing decidedly the rifle's shooting.

Fortunately, most American hunting rifles cannot be easily dismounted, and there is no danger of laying down a bolt on a gritty floor; so there will not be that risk to avoid. It is quite possible to ruin the shooting of a fine rifle in a few minutes by using a rough and rusty steel rod or a wooden one full of embedded grit, from the muzzle; but with a smooth, clean, brass rod it will take longer to accomplish than the rifle will last, anyway, and is of no moment.

The writer has a .25-.35 rifle which he has cleaned thousands of times with a brass rod; yet a magnifying glass shows no injury to the lands, and the rifle, after several thousand shots, is as accurate as when purchased. Lieutenant Whelan has purposely deformed the muzzle of a .30-40 rifle for experimental purposes to a degree that could not be done by any sane use of the cleaning-rod. Yet the rifle so injured shot a group which very few men indeed can hope to equal with any arm.

Therefore, though the advice is scientific and a good rule for target work proper, forget all you read about always "cleaning from the breech." Never take apart your rifle if you can help it; even the regulations are stringent concerning this, and it remained for a lieutenant of United States cavalry to advocate converting your arm into a dangerous rattle-trap by meddling with rasps and emery powder. All this is very highly dangerous to yourself, and practically certain to ruin the arm.

Our Springfield-Mauser has many faults, and the sights are built for white and black targets, unlimited time, and a safe and comfortable place to shoot from; but even fairly expert riflemen cannot remedy it. The beginner is courting disaster by trying to do so. Even our factory sporting rifles are mostly very good indeed, a little sight adjustment being all that is required for reasonable use. The full powers and limitations of these sights very few soldiers or sportsmen understand.—R. W. Seiss, M. D., in Arms and the Man.

At the Traps

Golden Gaters.—The Golden Gate Gun Club regular monthly shoot at West Alameda trap arena drew a tournament attendance, about 50 shooters being on the firing line during the day—and a day that was rainy and windy at that.

Tom Wilks came through the fray for high amateur average with 48 x 50. Toney Prior, Barney Worthen, and "Bud" Havens were next up with 47 each. Prior's 20 straight was high club score in Event 1, the cup race. Geo. Thomas and Havens also ran out straights in Event 2, the challenge trophy match.

In the "grub" team shoot, at 10 birds, eight men snuffed out straights. Fred Willet's "O'Leary Guards" won over Field Marshal Stelling's Grenadiers.

Otto Feudner broke every bird in the first match and also a 10 in the "grub" shoot. The day's program called for 50 birds—two 20's, in 10 bird sections, and a 10 bird race. The scores follow:

Events—	1			2			3	
Birds—	10	10	Ttl	10	10	Ttl	10	Ttl
C. A. Anderson	9	7—	16	9	8—	17	8	— 50
Geo. Thomas	9	7—	16	10	10—	20	9	— 45
T. Wilks	10	9—	19	9	10—	19	10	— 48
J. F. Dodds	9	8—	17	10	9—	19	10	— 46
F. Webster	7	7—	14	8	8—	16	8	— 38
Pickersgill	8	6—	14	7	5—	12	7	— 33
"Pop" Merrill	8	9—	17	8	9—	18	9	— 44
H. Stelling	6	8—	14	10	7—	17	9	— 40
H. R. Phinney	9	8—	17	7	10—	17	8	— 42
L. O. Lodge	6	5—	11	5	8—	13	5	— 29
F. Willet*	9	7—	16	10	8—	18	9	— 43
W. W. Terrill	7	8—	15	10	9—	19	10	— 42
T. Prior	10	10—	20	10	9—	19	8	— 47
C. A. Haight*	9	8—	17	8	6—	14	9	— 40
A. G. Flickinger	9	8—	17	8	8—	16	10	— 43
Miss Meyers	8	6—	14	7	5—	12	7	— 33
E. H. Forestier	3	3—	6	3	3—	6	6	— 18
F. K. Burnham	8	8—	16	8	9—	17	10	— 43
E. Hoelle	8	9—	17	8	8—	16	10	— 43
B. H. Worthen	9	10—	19	9	10—	19	9	— 47
C. H. Knight*	9	9—	18	8	10—	18	7	— 43
W. S. Stadfeldt	7	5—	12	7	6—	13	8	—33
C. Stadtfeldt	6	9—	15	6	7—	13	2	— 30
H. C. Peet	8	8—	16	9	10—	19	8	— 43
T. W. Parsons	7	4—	11	4	7—	11	..	— 22
R. E. McGill	9	9—	18	10	8—	18	8	— 44
H. Havens	10	9—	19	10	10—	20	8	— 47
T. D. Riley	9	7—	16	10	6—	16	10	— 42
W. H. Price	7	7—	14	8	5—	13	7	— 34
Dr. G. L. Eaton	7	6—	13	7	6—	13	6	— 34
M. O. Feudner*	10	10—	20	8	9—	17	10	— 47
A. H. Beetham	8	9—	17	7	8—	15	9	— 41
E. J. Forster	7	9—	16	10	9—	19	8	— 43
R. C. Haas	8	5—	13	5	8—	13	..	— 28
E. L. Forster	3	7—	10	7	7—	14	8	— 32
W. Ashcroft	9	7—	16	7	7—	14	6	— 36
Becktell	8	9—	17	10	9—	19	7	— 43
A. E. Stone	7	9—	16	8	7—	15	6	— 37
C. E. Cutter	3	2—	5	1	3—	4	3	— 12
S. Hansen	4	4—	8	7	5—	12	5	— 25
J. T. Connelly	6	7—	13	7	6—	13	8	— 36
C. Westerfeld	..	.—	15	..	.—	..	7	— 22
J. H. Jones	..	.—	17	..	.—	..	5	— 22
F. Webster (B. S.)	..	.—	18	..	.—	..	..	— 18

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Martinez Traps.—Fred K. Burnham, president of the Alhambra Gun Club, writes that a ten-man team smokefest with the Richmond Gun Club will take place tomorrow on the Alhambra trap ground.

The Alhambra representation to compete in the three-man team championship of California match at San Jose next week will be—"Bud" Havens, Billy Sears and F. K. Burnham.

The "good time shoot" referred to last week, to be correct, was an 800 bird argument between teams from the Family Club and the Straits Castillians. A high wind cut down the scores materially. The results were:

Alhambra Knights.		Family Men.	
F. K. Burnham	82	J. Brickel	75
H. Havens	76	Col. J. W. Dorsey	66
C. H. Knight*	77	Harry Harrison	85
F. Webster	74	W. B. Sanborn	74
E. Hoelle	92	W. Landry	81
Dr. E. Merithew	68	R. Splivalo	65
Dr. Fitzpatrick	65	J. Miller	44
W. Veale	69	D. Horndorf	58
Total	603	Total	547

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Near the Navy Yard.—The Vallejo Gun Club has divided its membership into three classes, A, B, and C. This does away with all bird and distance handicap shoots. The club will hold its regular monthly shoot on the fourth Sunday of each month at the new ground north of Germania Park.

A new rule has been adopted by the club that a member cannot shoot off more than two back scores.

A number of prizes have been donated to the club and will be given to the shooters making the highest scores in their respective classes.

It is planned to award two prizes to each of the three classes which will make two first prizes for each division.

Prizes have been donated by the following: Bronze plaque, Hercules Powder Works; gold medal, J. V. O'Hara; gold medal, Wisecarver; Fred Gilbert trophy, won and presented back to the club by A. G. Flickinger; bronze dog, Roney; silver spoon, Selby Powder Company; silver tea server, W. King.

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Webfoot Cracks.—A summary of results for the recent Capitol City Gun Club shoot at Salem places Frank M. Troeh, of Vancouver, Wash., high amateur with 146 out of 150. Pete O'Brien of Portland, second, 146. Frank Van Atta, Vancouver, Wash., and L. Rayburn, Portland, Ore., third, 144 each.

Jim Seavey, of Eugene, Ore., won the trophy shoot, 47 out of 50, 19 yards rise. E. H. Keller, Portland, 20 yards, 46, second. Pete O'Brien (21 yards), H. H. Veatch, Salem (20 yards), W. H. Dalrymple, Salem (19 yards), Al Jones, Joseph, Wash. (19 yards), tied for third with 45 each. O'Brien won the shoot-off, 22 out of 25.

Hugh E. Poston was high "pro" and high over all, 147x150. Pete Holohan 143, E. B. Van Arnam 136.

Total scores at 150 birds: H. E. Poston* 147, F. M. Troeh 146, P. H. O'Brien 146, F. Van Atta 144, L. Rayburn 144, P. J. Holohan* 143, M. Rickard 143, F. Templeton 139, W. McCornack 138, E. H. Keller 138, L. Dennison 137, Dr. Leininger 137, H. Veatch 137, O. Wilson 137, Van Arnam* 136, J. Bull* 135, H. R. Everding 135, C. McKean* 135, P. R. Alexander 135, B. Pearson 135, W. R. Allen 134, J. Seavey 133, W. Dalrymple 132, E. B. Morris* 132, W. Ballock 132, A. Jeurs 132, P. H. Baltimore 131, J. Reid* 131, J. J. Fenton 128, R. DeArmond 126, B. Hubbard 124, M. Sidall 142, P. Hauser 122, W. W. Huff 119, Geo. Tobin 114, B. W. Harret 113, L. Hauser 102, A. Moore 106, H. E. Cusick 98.

Trophy Shoot, distance handicaps, 50 birds: J. Seavey, 19 yards, broke 47; E. H. Keller 20—46, H. E. Poston* 21—46, P. H. O'Brien 21—45, H. Veatch 20—45, W. Dalrymple 19—45, A. Jones 19—45, F. Templeton 20—44, M. Rickard 21—44, M. Sidall 20—43, L. Rayburn 21—43, J. Reid* 21—42, Van Arnam 21—42, P. J. Holohan 21—41, E. B. Morris* 21—41, O. Wilson 20J40, H. R. Everding 20—40, C. McKean* 21—39, A. Moore 16—38, Geo. Tobin 17—37, J. Bull* 21—16x25.

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Salinas Echoes.—The recent shoot of the Rodeo Gun Club was pulled off under a handicap of wind and showers. At that eight squads faced the traps—shooters from Salinas, Hollister, Watsonville, San Jose, Pacific Grove, San Francisco and other points.

The scores shot were: At 75 birds—P. J. Holohan* 66, J. T. Downs 66, H. Barstow 65, E. Henshaw 61, F. Tholcke 60, M. O. Feudner 58, D. McFadden 55, F. Pura 50, C. McFadden 40, B. Breschini 40, H. Elisio 40, V. Messara 40.

At 50 birds—A. Elishio 44, Billy Varien 43, R. Vierra 40, Bunting 37, F. Casey 37, A. Winckler 36, A. Horton 36, G. Tholcke 36, J. Douglas 34, Billy Price 34, E. Wincke 32, H. Gross 28, Dr. Chappele 28, A. Dayton 26.

At 25 birds—Horstman 22, J. Tynan 21, F. Sargent 20, W. W. Black 19, L. Townsend 17, McHenry 16, Horigan 16, Miller 15, H. Collins 14, W. Snow 13, Jenkins 9.

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Amateur Championship U. S.—George L. Lyon, of Durham, N. C., won the New York Athletic Club tenth annual amateur championship tournament. He led a field of 144 shooters with 192 out of 200 targets. He also won the preliminary championship by breaking 191 out of 200 targets, 115 shooters lined up in this event.

H. J. Thielman, of Portland, Ore., was the only Coast shooter participating in the main event. He broke 166 out of the 200.

High amateur averages were: G. L. Lyon, 383 out of 400, A. B. Richardson, of Dover, Del., 377, J. L. Snow, of Boston, 372, A. L. Burns, of New York, 370, R. L. Spotts, of New York, 369, C. H. Newcomb, of Philadelphia, 365.

Richardson, in the five man team race, made a new ground record with a run of 131 straight. The Philadelphia Independent Gun Club team won over five other teams, 927 out of 1,000.

A list of the winners of the New York Athletic Club's annual amateur championship of America shoot is as follows:

1905—John H. Hendrickson of Jamaica, L. I. . .94x100
1906—Wm. M. Foord, Wilmington, Del. 94x100
1907—Edward F. Gleason, Boston. 95x100
1908—George S. McCarty, Philadelphia. 96x100
1909—George S. McCarty, Philadelphia. 98x100
1910—No tournament.
1911—Harry W. Kohler, Philadelphia. 173x200
1912—B. M. Higginson, Jr., Newburg, N. Y. . 185x200
1913—Chas. H. Newcomb, Philadelphia. 179x200
1914—Ralph L. Spotts, New York. 188x200
1915—George L. Lyon, Durham, N. C. 192x200

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"Cap" Pointed Straight.—In describing a recent Du Pont Trapshooting Club meet, near Wilmington, Del., E. R. Galvin writes: "Our old friend the captain from the West, one Wm. A. Simonton, sometime known as Bill, was right there with the goods. The genial captain was the hero last week also, and yesterday he laid low 95 out of his quota of 2 birds over his nearest competitor, J. H. Minnick.

"John Henry was sliding over the ice some himself, as he annexed 93 out of 100, and gave strong evidences of coming back into his own, for once upon a time John was the pride and joy of the local club, and seldom missed more than one or two of an afternoon. J. T. Skelly with 92, Wm. Coyne with 91 and Laurence D. Willis, completes the roster of those who shot 90 per cent or better on 100 birds.

"In the contest for the Bill A. Simonton Double Target Cup, the same Bill led the field, but of course he is not shooting for the cup presented to the club by him. His score was 21x24. In the leading position with him was Eugene Du Pont, who knocked out 21 also. To say that both of them shot a pretty clip would be expressing it mildly. They sure did 'go and get 'em' and were roundly applauded for their good work. J. H. Minnick broke 19, and Doremus, Leedom and Jensen saw 16 of their 24."

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Montana Tarbirds.—The Deer Lodge Gun Club shoot, May 10, took place during a heavy wind which cut down scores to quite an extent. Bad weather prevented a larger attendance. H. Z. Bielenberg won the Coleman medal and the Du Pont spoon shoot, with 21 and 22 out of 25. Results in three 15 and two 25 bird races were: Tippetts, 14-13-19-20-21; Dye, 14-10-15-15-21; Coleman, 10-12-16-17-21; McMullen, 8-13-17-17-18; Bielenberg, . . -. . -17-21-22.

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Tournament On Floating Barges.—Shooting on dry, firm land and shooting on water are quite different things, so the marksmen of the different gun clubs in and around Spokane, Wash., found out during the first get-together trap tournament on floating barges ever held in the Northwest, and, so far as is known, the first ever staged anywhere. The meet was held on Lake Coeur d'Alene and attracted a hundred shooters from the Northwest.

Two large 70-foot barges were securely cabled, one on each side of the boat. On one end of each barge were located three Expert traps, the marksmen shooting from the other ends of the barges, while from the decks of the Flyer the spectators enjoyed the events.

The trapmen soon got their "sealegs," and in spite of the wobbly boats were splintering the clay birds for good scores as the sun set.

At the end of the day's shooting F. A. Dryden, local professional shooter, led with the best record for all events of the day.

The program of the day included team shooting among five men combinations of the different towns represented, old timers' events, professional exhibition shoot, pool shoot, women's shoot and individual handicap.

The individual handicap, consisting of five 10 bird events, was won by Mr. Dryden, who broke 49 of the 50 pigeons released for him. He was third in the professional shoot, with 45 birds out of 50, and was second in the old-timers' event with 13 out of 15. Mrs. Dryden led in the women's shoot.

F. J. McAndrews, of St. Maries, was high amateur in the individual handicap, winning in the shoot-off against M. L. Werkheiser, Wallace; George Gilmore, Wallace; Dr. R. P. McCrea, and nine others.

Spokane won the five-man team shoot with a squad composed of C. A. O'Connor, O. Gorkow, Hugh McElroy, E. C. Gregory and T. B. Ware.

The old-timers' event was won by L. A. Jahnke of St. Maries with 14 out of 14. In this event he was tied with Woodworth, a professional.

George K. Marsh, T. B. Ware and W. Ahrens divided the pool shoot.

The meet was a success in every way. It combined both the exhilarating sport of trapshooting with a pleasant boat ride in a cool and comfortable temperature. About 250 excursionists were aboard the Flyer during the day.

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"Reno" Stellings Says—"Here's a bit of advice that may help some hard working novice to better scores: To this fascinating outdoor sport give every atom of concentration possible. If there's one game a josher loses out in, it's trapshooting. Think of only one thing, smashing the birds. Pay absolutely no attention to what your fellow shooters are doing. Frequently a single miss has led to several because some member of the squad temporarily forgot and allowed his attention to wander from the elusive little saucer. Another thing—don't get flustered, keep cool, and for heaven's sake don't try too hard. The reason for this is because it gets you keyed up too high. Slip the gun muzzle in a fast, smooth motion and as it passes the bird let fly. Follows then the thrill of pleasure, for the tantalizing little kiln-bird disappears in black dust—caught in the center of the load. There are a lot of don'ts and perhaps the keystone of them all is, don't point a gun at anyone, no matter if you have just unloaded it and you are positively sure the weapon is safe. Sometimes gun kidders forget to make sure the loads have been removed and—anyhow, pointing a gun at anyone is a cardinal sin and should be shunned like the plague."

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Powder Puffs.—The Exposition City Gun Club regular monthly shoot will be the local blue rock attraction for tomorrow.

A report and scores of the Southern Handicap tournament at Memphis, Tenn., May 10 to 15, was received too late for publication in this issue. W. H. Cochrane of Bristol, Tenn., won the Southern Handicap, 97x100, 19 yards. J. I. Chipley, of Greenwood, S. C., won the Preliminary Handicap, 92x100, 18 yards. S. A. Huntley won the Columbus Cup, high amateur average, 523x550.

Interstate Association Tournaments—

June 15, 16, 17—The Interstate Association's Tenth Western Handicap Tournament, St. Louis, Mo., under the auspices of the Missouri Athletic Association Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Western Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

July 8, 9, 10—The Interstate Association's Tenth Pacific Coast Handicap Tournament, San Diego, Cal., under the auspices of the Pastime Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Pacific Coast Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

August 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chicago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy, and the winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

May 27, 28—Utah State Tournament, under the auspices of the Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n, A. R. Bain, Secretary, Salt Lake City.

May 29, 30, 31—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary, San Jose.

June 3, 4, 5—Annual Tournament of Rocky Mountain Interstate Sportsmen's Association, under auspices of Mile High Gun Club, Wm. M. Bowman, Secretary, Denver, Colo.

June 7, 8, 9—Sportsmen's Ass'n of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Ore.

July 1, 2—Vancouver Gun Club, C. A. Porter, Secretary, Vancouver, Can.

July 5—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President, Eureka, Cal.

July 5—Sunrise Gun Club, H. S. Hill, Secretary, Sunrise, Wyo.

July 5—Holbrook Gun Club, J. S. Hulet, Secretary, Holbrook, Ariz.

July 9, 10—Gem City Gun Club. Max Weick, Secretary, Laramie, Wyo.

July 10—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, W. S. Short, Secretary, Chehalis, Wash.

July 12—Rawlins Rod and Gun Club, H. Breitenstein, Secretary, Rawlins, Wyo.

July 12, 13, 14—Los Angeles Gun Club, Fred H. Teeple, Secretary, Venice, Cal.

July 19, 20, 21, 22—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary, Tacoma, Wash.

July 28, 29—Delta County Gun Club, Nick Powell and R. A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

August 10—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

Peters Points.

At a recent shoot of the Everett, Wash., Gun Club some very creditable scores were made, and throughout, were better than have heretofore been made over the traps at Everett. L. H. Reid and H. E. Poston tied in the 50 target event, each breaking 49. Sumner broke 48; Becker 40; Dunkelberger 39, and Sarff 34. Reid led in the 100 target event, breaking 98, Poston coming second with 97, followed by Sumner with 93. An interesting feature in connection with the shooting of Reid was the fact that he used Peters shells that passed through fire and water in the blaze in the store of A. A. Baily in the year of 1909, five years ago. Members of the club present consider as remarkable the fact that ammunition so tried should be found perfect after so many years and under such adverse conditions. Shooters will recall that Mr. Reid won the Pacific Coast high general average 1912 and 1913 and the U. S. professional championship for 1914, and all of his shooting is done with ammunition taken from the shelves of dealers in the respective localities, and uses Peters shells exclusively.

Panama-Pacific International Exposition RACE MEETINGS 1915

Summer Meeting
JUNE 5th to 19th INCLUSIVE 11 DAYS

Fall Meeting
OCT. 30th to NOV. 13th INCL. 13 DAYS

Stakes to Close June 1st, 1915

SUMMER MEETING

No. 2.	2:07 Class Pacing	$ 2500
No. 6.	2:13 Class Trotting	1000
No. 17.	2:10 Class Trotting	20,000
No. 24.	2:13 Class Pacing	1000
No. 27.	2:17 Class Trotting	2500
No. 32.	Free For All Class Trotting	20,000
No. 33.	2:06 Class Pacing	

FALL MEETING

No. 2.	2:10 Class Trotting	$20,000
No. 7.	2:12 Class Trotting	1250
No. 15.	2:10 Class Pacing	1250
No. 20.	2:07 Class Pacing	1500
No. 29.	Free For All Class Pacing	2500
No. 37.	Free For All Class Trotting	2500
No. 39.	2:06 Class Pacing	20,000

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THE FARM

BREAKING AND TRAINING COLTS.

The erroneous idea that cruelty in horsebreaking and training is necessary is practically a thing of the past. Well directed patience has been found to give better results than inconsiderate applications of the "persuader." However, all horses are not to be treated alike; a high-strung, sensitive horse must be handled gently, the dullard treated sharply. "The first thing in training a horse is to get his attention; second, make him understand what is wanted," says the new Farmers' Bulletin No. 667, "Breaking and Training Colts," by the U. S. Department of Agriculture. The education of the horse, continues the bulletin, is based on reward and punishment and each should immediately follow the act. The advantage of breaking a horse when he is young before he has developed a strong independent instinct is easily seen. The plan generally followed is to break the colt to being led and handled before it is weaned, and to break to harness between the ages of 2 and 3 years. Colts should not do heavy work until they are 4 years old and should be accustomed to it gradually.

The following description of a rope harness to be used in teaching the colt to stand is also used in the first lesson on leading. A colt tied with this harness cannot easily injure himself, exerts a pressure almost simultaneously on the crupper, surcingle and on the halter.

Before a colt is broken to being led it should be taught to stand tied; this applies to unbroken horses of all ages. To do this, put a strong halter on the colt; then take a rope about 14 feet long, double it, putting the loop under the horse's tail as a crupper, twist the two ends together about three times so the twisted rope lies on the colt's back a few inches ahead of the tail, then let one come forward on each side of the horse ,and tie them together in front against the chest just tight enough so that it will not drop down; then run a surcingle loosely around the horse behind the withers, tying into it the crupper rope at both sides. Have an additional rope about 12 feet long, run it through the halter ring, and tie it at the breast to the rope that forms the crupper. Tie the other end of the rope to a solid post, allowing about 3 feet of slack. Leave the colt tied for an hour. Another method is to have a loop in one end of the rope, run the lead strap through this loop, and tie with a little slack to the rope that forms the crupper, the other end, of course, being tied to a solid post.

While tied the colt should be gentled and accustomed to being handled on both sides, on the hind parts, and on the legs. To do this, hold the headstall in one hand, and with the other hand pet and rub the colt, first on the neck and head, then on the back and side, and lastly on the legs. To gentle the hind parts take a stick about 4 feet long, wrap a gunny sack around one end, and tie it. Allow the colt to examine the stick with his nose, then rub it all over his body.

With this arrangement the colt's hind legs may be rubbed without placing oneself in danger of his heels. If he kicks at it do not hit him, but allow him to examine it again, and proceed as before. This lesson should continue until the colt will stand being approached from either side and rubbed all over. The second day he may be tied up again and further gentled with sacks, blankets, and noises until he has no fear of them around him, under him, or upon him.

Another method of gentling a horse is to tie the halter rope to the tail. This forces him to go in a circle. When he gives in and stands quietly he may be harnessed, saddled, mounted, accustomed to strange sights and sounds, and handled with safety. This is one of the best aids in use in gaining a horse's submission.

The horse is now ready to lead. Loosen the rope from the post, step off from the horse, and tell him to 'come," following the command with a pull on the rope. As soon as the horse advances pet, him, then step away and repeat. He will soon follow without the pull on the rope.

The next day the crupper should be put on at the beginning of the lesson, but should be discarded after a short work-out and the halter alone used so that the colt will not depend on the crupper rope. These lessons should be continued until the colt leads satisfactorily.

To break to lead without crupper ropes use a strong halter with a lead rope. Step back about 6 feet from the colt, opposite his shoulders, cluck to him, and pull on the rope. The colt will be forced to take a couple of steps; reward him; cross in front to a similar position on the other side and repeat the command with a pull. Continue the lesson until the colt follows. Never pull straight ahead on the colt; he can outpull. Use diplomacy rather than force.

After the colt has been broken to lead he may be accustomed to the harness and trained to rein. The horse should never be hitched to a wagon or ridden before he is broken to drive in the harness. He should be trained to answer the ordinary commands. In familiarizing the colt with bit and harness the "bitting harness," which consists of an open bridle with a snaffle bit, check and side reins, and surcingle with crupper, may be used. This rigging is put on the colt leaving the side and check reins comparatively loose, and he is turned loose in a small paddock for an hour. The second lesson consists of teaching the colt the feeling of the reins which may be tightened somewhat. The third day the driving reins may be used and the colt is taught to go ahead. Cluck to the colt, or tell him to "getup," use the whip and let him know what is meant. Both sides of the colt should be trained, as objects viewed from different angles may frighten him badly. Driving in a right and left circle will facilitate this training. The next lesson consists in teaching the horse to answer the commands of "Whoa," "Get up," and "Back."

After teaching the horse to go satisfactorily in the bitting rig, the work harness with breeching can be substituted. The traces and breeching should be joined loosely together and gradually tightened, as the work progresses, thus familiarizing the colt with the sensation of wearing the collar and breeching. He is then ready to be hitched to the wagon or cart single, or double.

Breaking the colt to drive double, also to ride, dealing with bad habits, throwing a horse, etc., are other features of this bulletin No. 667, which may be had upon application to the Department of Agriculture.

SWAT THE FLY BEFORE IT FLIES.

A great deal has been said and written during the last few years about fly-swatting campaigns. It is generally recognized that a very large part, probably 95 per cent of all house flies, are hatched in collections of manure, especially horse manure. It is very imporant, therefore, that all manure be hauled to the fields and the stables be kept free from collections of manure during the spring and summer months at least. This involves no hardship on farmers, because by spreading the fresh manure directly they save all the most valuable fertilizing elements and by so doing swat the flies before they become flies.

Swatting the flies and using fly traps are useful in that they lessen the number of annoying flies, but their use is like giving medicine to relieve painful symptoms of a disease. We should treat, not the symptoms, but the disease itself. To treat the disease we must prevent the flies from breeding.

"PASTURE"-IZED MILK.

The ladies were engaged in social welfare work, and the pure milk question had come up for discussion. One member remarked: I believe we should compel all the dairymen to pasteurize all their milk."

"That can't be done," answered another, a leading official of the club. "One day last spring I went to a dairy which sells milk here and found all the cows in the barn. I asked the man why he didn't turn the cows out to pasture. He said they had no pasture so early in the spring.

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The National Trotting Association Winrace and Eligibility Book for 1915 is now ready for delivery. It is a work of 858 pages, bound in cloth and contains official reports of all races and time record meetings held by members of the National and American Trotting Associations as well as copies of all special reports received by the two Associations, and all reports of non-association meetings which appeared in the columns of the turf and daily papers in 1914 as well as an index giving the starts made by each horse. In addition to this, it also contains an Eligibility List which presents the names of all live horses that acquired records or winraces in 1912, 1913 and 1914. When a winrace was made over a mile track it is designated by the letter (m) and if a horse also has a winrace over a half mile track within the four seconds limit fixed by the rule, it is also given and marked (½m).

Last year after the new eligibility rule was adopted, the National Trotting Association issued a Winrace and Eligibility Book, which covered 1912 and 1913. It assisted materially in the application of the new rule, but members and horse owners were frequently in doubt as to whether a horse was entitled to a time allowance. This resulted in a very voluminous correspondence and in order to obviate it in 1915, the present book has been compiled and issued as approved by the President under an order of the Board of Review.

In the matter of time allowance, a horse with a winrace is allowed one second for each year, if raced, in which he fails to equal or reduce his record or win a race, providing same is claimed by the nominator when making the entry. If a horse was not raced in 1914, he is not entitled to a time allowance and a reference to the index in this book will show whether he was raced or not, while by referring to the summaries, it can be determined whether he equaled or reduced his record or won a race. Also in order to give all the information possible, the reports of meetings contain all races at half mile heats as well as at mile.

This book presents reports of 1,400 meetings at which 12,673 horses started in 3,730 races and 939 performances against time, for which the premiums amounted to $3,228,617.82, while the Eligibility List presents the names of over 14,000 horses.

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MARES.—Mares to be nominated by June 1, 1915, when a payment of $2 must be made. Each mare's name, color and the name of the horse to which she was bred in 1914 must accompany the entry fee.
On July 1, 1915, the color and sex of the foal to be given and an additional payment of $3 must be made.
On February 1, 1916, a payment of $10 will be due on yearlings.
On February 1, 1917, a payment of $15 will be due on two-year-olds.
On February 1, 1918, a payment of $25 will be due on three-year-olds.

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ENTRIES TO CLOSE JUNE 1st, 1915.

Every foal of 1915 produced by a mare nominated herein is eligible to compete in all four classes of this stake by its owner making payments as herein provided in the division in which it is entered. Winners will not be barred.

All nominations and payments must be made to the Secretary of the Ca ornia State Agricultural Society, at his office in Sacramento.

Nominators must designate when making starting or show payments whether the horse is five or three gaited.

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On the first day of August each year the following payments will be due:

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To the second colt	20 per cent
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To the fifth colt	10 per cent
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MANNER OF SHOWING:—Weanlings, yearlings and two-year-olds shall be shown to halter and three-year-olds under saddle.

The right is reserved to declare the stake off prior to August 1st, 1915, if same does not fill satisfactorily upon the refunding of all entries received.
In case a mare fails to produce a colt, produces a dead coalt or foals twins, or her colt dies, the right to substitute by the owner another colt from a mare bred to a registered stallion is reserved on or before January 1st, 1916.
In case a nominated colt is dropped out, and later his owner desires to re-enter same, this may be done upon a payment of all sums which should have been paid had the entry been kept good and $25 additional
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In determining the eligibility of horses to compete, only records made by winners of races shall be considered. Records made against time or by non-winners not considered. Rules of The American Trotting Association, of which we are members, shall govern all races.

The right is reserved to declare off any race that does not fill satisfactorily or change program, if necessary. In case class in which horse is entered does not fill satisfactorily, entry will be transferred to another class in which horse is eligible, subject to the approval of the owner.

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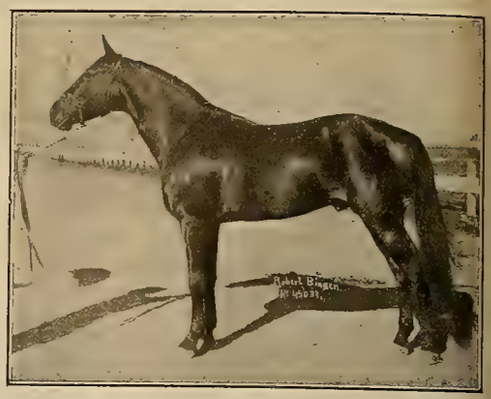
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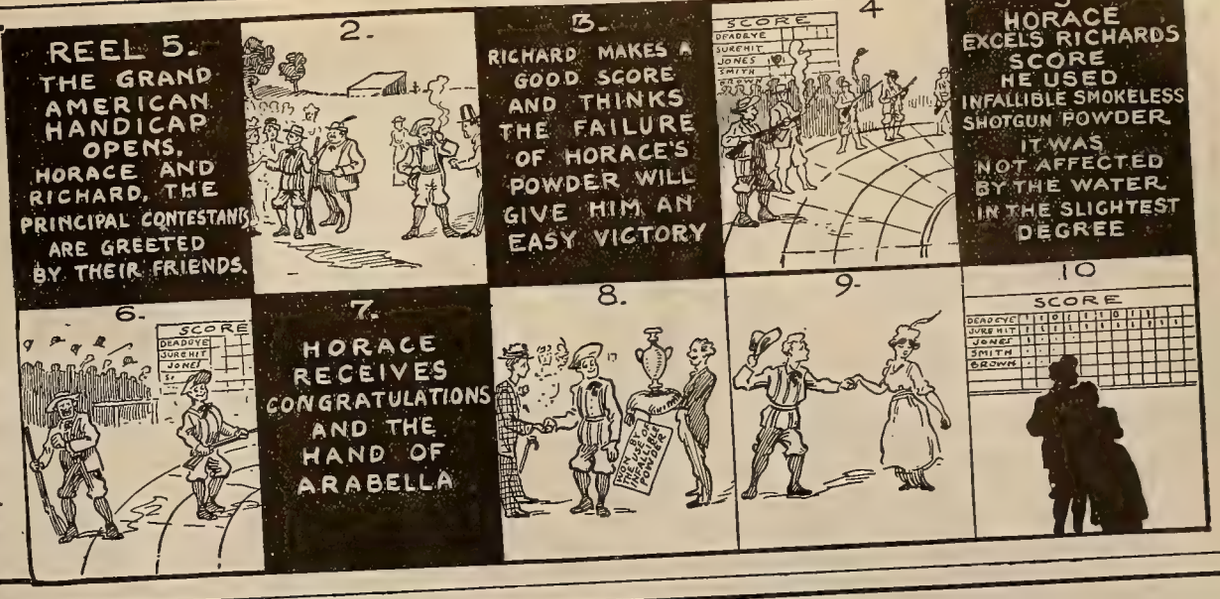
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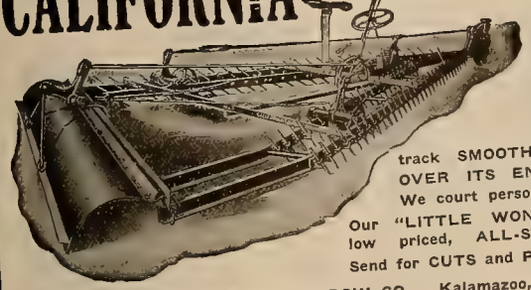
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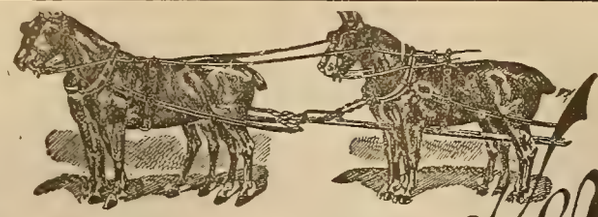
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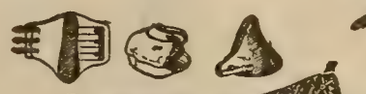
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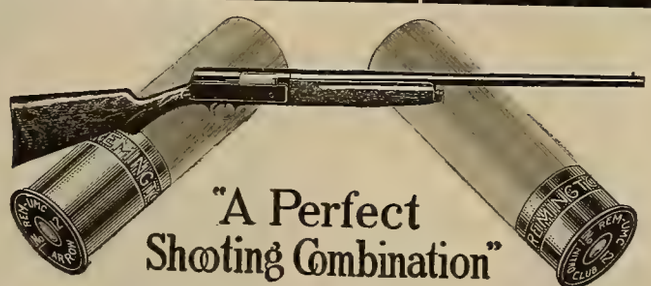
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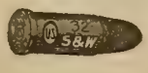
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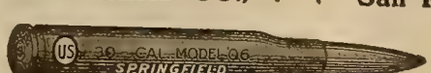
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2:25 Trot (early closing).....1,000
2:20 Trot or 2:25 Pace (Aug. 1)..... 500
2:15 Trot or 2:18 Pace (Aug. 1)..... 500
2:15 Pace (early closing).....1,000
2:10 Trot or 2:06 Pace (Aug. 1)..... 500
Free-for-all Trot or Pace (Aug. 1)... 500

THE OREGON STATE FAIR

SALEM, ORE., SEPT. 27-OCT. 2, 1915

Mile Track—National Trotting Ass'n.
All communications to
W. AL. JONES, Secretary,
Salem, Oregon.
All Events Except the One Mile Handicap Close June 1.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27.
Two-Year-Old Trot, 2 in 3.....$300
2:10 Pace (Capital City Purse), three heats 700
2:25 Trot, three heats 600
One Mile Handicap Dash, Trot and Pace 500

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28.
2:15 Trot, three heats 700
2:18 Pace, three heats 700
3-Year-Old Trot (Oregon Futurity No. 5) closed 2,000

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29.
3-Year-Old Pace (Oregon Futurity No. 5) closed 1,500
2:30 Trot, three heats 500
2:08 Pace, Greater Oregon Purse, 3 in 5 2,000

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30.
2:20 Pace, three heats .....$ 700
2:12 Trot, Lewis and Clark Purse, 3 in 5 2,000
2:15 Pace, State Fair Purse, 3 heats, 700

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1.
Free-for-All Pace, Oregon Mfgrs.' Purse, 3 in 5..... 700
2:20 Trot, Editors' Purse, 3 heats... 700
Two-Year-Old Pace, 2 in 3 heats.... 300

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2.
2:12 Pace, three heats 700
2:09 Trot, Shriners' Purse, 3 heats... 700
2:25 Pace, three heats 500

CONDITIONS.

All races, except the One Mile Handicap Dash, are early closing events, and close June 1. See Rule 2.

One Mile Handicap Dash for Trotters and Pacers: Handicap distances to be announced by the judges at 1:30 o'clock on the day of the race; standing start from pistol shot. Entries close September 14th. Five per cent to enter and five per cent from money winners.

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All Events on Every-Heat-a-Race Plan.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 24.
2:15 Pace (June 1).....$500
2:25 Trot (June 1)..... 500
Two-Year-Old Trot (Aug. 7)..... 200

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 25.
Free-For-All Trot (June 1).....$500
2:25 Pace (June 1)..... 500
Three-Year-Old Pace (Aug. 7)..... 200

THURSDAY, AUGUST 26.
2:18 Pace (Aug. 7) $500
2:20 Trot (Aug. 7)..... 500
Two-Year-Old Pace (Aug. 7.)..... 300

FRIDAY, AUGUST 27.
2:30 Trot (Aug. 7).....$500
Free-For-All Pace (Aug. 7)..... 500
Three-Year-Old Trot (Aug. 7)..... 200

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SEPTEMBER 13, 14, and 15, 1915.

Half-Mile Track—American Trotting Association.
All Events Close June 1.

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Walla Walla, Wash.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13.
2:25 Trot—Old Plan Racing; purse, $750
2:18 Pace—Every-Heat-a-Race; purse 750

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14.
2:18 Trot—Every-Heat-a-Race; purse, 750
2:25 Pace—Old Plan Racing; purse, 750

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15.
2:15 Trot—Old Plan Racing; purse, $750
2:11 Pace—Every-Heat-a-Race; purse 750

CONDITIONS.

In all of the above events, which are all early closing, entry fees to be 5 per cent, payable 2 per cent with entry and 3 per cent before starting; 5 per cent to be deducted from money winners (1st 4). Ten horses required to enter and 5 to start.

THE WASHINGTON STATE FAIR

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SEPTEMBER 20 to 25, 1915.

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TROTS
Two-Year-Old Trot, 2 in 3.....$200
(and added money)
Three-Year-Old Trot, 2 in 3..... 300
(and added money)
2:30 Trot, three heats 500
2:25 Trot, three heats 600
2:20 Trot, three heats 600
2:15 Trot, three heats 600
2:12 Trot, three heats 750
2:09 Trot, three heats 750

PACES
Two-Year-Old Pace, 2 in 3.....$200
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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15.
2:11 Trot (Sept. 1).....$750
2:15 Pace (June 1)..... 750

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16.
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2:18 Pace (June 1)..... 750

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17.
2:18 Trot (Sept. 1)..... 750
2:25 Pace (June 1)..... 750

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18.
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2:11 Pace (Sept. 1)..... 750

Famous Spokane Derby and World's Championship Relay Races will be given this year. Write for particulars. Special folder concerning running races sent on application.

Due principally to the fact that Walla Walla has the same dates as our Fair, only four days harness and running races will be put on, same to commence Wednesday, September 15th. This arrangement will make it possible for those who might be at Walla Walla to make entries for our races also. Our program will be so arranged that races held at Walla Walla on Monday will be given by us on Thursday, and so on.

The Walla Walla Fair Association together with this Association will do everything possible to arrange for cars and service on the part of the railroad companies, so there will be no delay in getting horses to Spokane in plenty of time.

CONDITIONS

The closing date is stated in each schedule or in each event. Early events close June 1, when 1 per cent is payable and horse must be named; 1 per cent on July 1, and 1 per cent August 1. Deduction of 7 per cent from money winners. In early closing events fifteen entries will be required. Entrymen may declare out at any time, but must be paid up to date of declaration, and must declare out in writing.

Late events close fourteen days before the opening of each fair unless otherwise stated. Five per cent to enter with five per cent from money winners. Not less than seven entries required and five starters in each event.

Races designated as the "three heat plan" or "every-heat-a-race" end with the third heat and each heat is a race. Ten per cent of the whole purse or stake is held out to be divided 75 per cent to first horse which takes the record or mark, and 25 per cent to the second horse, according to summary of the three heats. The standing of the horses will be determined under "the old placing system." Thirty per cent of the whole purse is placed on each heat to be divided 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. Horses draw for position in each heat of the "three-heat-plan." If at the end of the three heats two horses are tied for the first money of the summary, they may be sent for a decisive heat, the two horses only participating, only winner getting record.

Two-year-old and three-year-old events are for colts bred and owned in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, Utah or British Columbia; two in three heats; no colt race longer than three heats.

Send all entries to the Secretary of the Fair and not to the Circuit Secretary.

A stake book is issued containing more details as to conditions, etc., to be had from any Secretary or at the office of this paper.

NOTICE: Each track has a programme of Running Races, Special Features, Relay and Novelty Races—ask for it.

Dates have been assigned to the following tracks; programmes to be announced later.

ROSE CITY SPEEDWAY, PORTLAND, OREGON, AUG. 2-7
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HE VICTORIA CROSS OF TURF JOURNALISM.

Of a surety, kind friends, the paths to greatness re of diverse and varied natures; no measure of riginality do we claim for the promulgation of this heory, as it has long been one of the accepted xioms of daily life. Some are born great, some chieve greatness, while others have greatness thrust pon them, according to the ancient adage, and to his latter process must we lay our latest laurels. Long have we pursued our humble path devoid of spiration to position above that of our fellows, ontent with some small meed of comfort as we went our daily way, greeting rich and poor alike and rejoicing in a circle of warm personal friendships hat rippled far into the highways and byways of that portion of the world familiar to the great common people.

Now, however, all is changed, and if we pass you by in supercilious dignity, whom once we were wont to hail as friend in our former low-browed, common manner, bear with us kindly as ye may, for we are no longer as an ordinary mortal but have been elevated to a position of glory and greatness undreamed of in our wildest flights of fancy in youthful days long gone. Bear with us, friends, for at one fell, sudden, unsuspected swoop we have been transformed from a personification of democracy to a sitter in the seats of the mighty. From the position of a lowly turf scribe we have risen to that proud eminence, that pinnacle of fame, embodied with membership in the circle of great Americans who have incurred the grave displeasure of that most esteemed contemporary, the Horse Review—a coterie of notables so long and so ably presided over by Mr. Daniel J. Campau, a select assemblage whose membership was so recently and so richly augmented by the admission of that other old friend of our boyhood, Secretary Charles Downing of the Indiana State Fair.

Lest there be those among you who, from knowledge of the fact that on occasion we are wont to qualify as a free-handed, open-faced, fourteen carat, full-jeweled liar, may be inclined to doubt the truth of our claims to greatness, we submit the following patent of nobility as issued by the Review in its current spasm:

Some while back—in the winter, as we recall it—we dropped a few words en passant (that is the correct phrase, we believe), regarding the unrivaled Italian climate enjoyed by Chicago and its vicinity. In doing so we were utterly devoid of anything but the purest motives and the utmost innocence of intention. But that has not sufficed to preserve us from the slings and arrows of our California contemporary, the "Breeder and Sportsman," which immediately took umbrage at both the atmosphere and the local color of our observations, and has not ceased since then to gird at us, not only covertly, but openly, and to reiterate opprobrious insinuations regarding not only our remarks themselves, but that which they celebrated—to-wit, the unrivaled Italian article aforementioned.

For some time we have, in the current vernacular, stood for this unchecked flow of uncalled-for animadversions. We felt that California was a long way off, a locality known only to members of the geography classes in the grammar schools, or to those old-timers with memories extending back to 'Forty-Nine; that to all ntents and purposes it was otherwise "terra incognita," nd that few of the Review's readers, while perhaps familiar with its name, would be sufficiently interested in its climatic peculiarities to admit of our giving space to any protest against the slurs which our contemporary of the Barbary Coast was giving vent to. However, even the most perfect poise and correctly calculated self-restraint upon occasion cease to be virtues; and we have at last got to the turn in the lane that, sooner or later, must, in similar circumstances, always be reached. That we are justified in these statements will be at once apprehended by a perusal of the following excerpts from the editorial page of the "B. and S." of May 8:

Our "esteemed contemporary," the Horse Review, in its benighted ignorance of truly decent climatic conditions, is liable to draw a few comparisons in support of its theory that the northwestern hamlets of the grand old state of Illinois are situated in a "climatic paradise" of such mellifluence as to "arouse the envy of California."

Yes, Genevieve, that's just what we think, too—"The nerve of some people's children!"

Can you imagine Chicago folks traveling south for seventy minutes on May Day and seeing M. and M. candidates trot halves in 1:03, and three-year-old trotters reel off miles in 2:20½, 1:09, :32¾, :15¼?

Or, maybe, go east for a couple of hours' ride and see free-for-all pacers step two-lap tracks in 1:01¼?

Or 2:20 pacers go halves in 1:03 over the same dirt?

Or 2:20 trotters go the short route in 1:05?

Or folks sitting around on the lap of good old Mother Earth, with long green grass for cushions, eating picnic dinners of friend chicken and all those things?

Splash! The Review outfit has "done fell in the lake!"

While in a sense, the levity, the frivolity, characterizing these paragraphs would render them, ordinarily, beneath the notice of a journal not wholly abandoned to such pernicious practices, at the same time we can, while ignoring the said verbal gargoyles, get at the meat of the matter.

While eastern indifference to California climatic conditions—owing to reasons already explained—may be admitted (and without apology), it is nothing in comparison to Californian ignorance concerning the glorious climate of the civilized portions of the U. S. A., of which the most favored, by unanimous consent, is that of northern Illinois. The period of salubrity in the Barbaryous regions of the remote wild west, according to the testimony of its own press-agent, begins only on May Day; whereas in and about Chicago, as early as April, we had enjoyed a temperature of 86 above (official), at which period the picnic season was already on the wane. As for fried chicken, it is to be said that east of the Mississippi river that viand is unknown north of Mason and Dixon's line, nor is it considered en regle at al fresco affairs. (Will the "B. and S." excuse our French?—it is not expected to comprehend it. But in discussions so wide in sweep as the present, the resources of one language are often inadequate—particularly when the said language has already been grossly man-handled by the party of the second part.) As for the little speed riffles so boastfully exploited above as evidences of climatic superiority, we laugh them to scorn—reely! In this part of the country such lizard-like displays would not be thought worthy of oral comment, to say nothing of journalistic record, in any month of the year.

If we have "fallen into the lake," as our contemporary alleges, we can assure it that the water is deliciously warm and that a stroll along the bathing beaches adjacent to this fair city will disclose the fact that myriads of other inhabitants of Chicago are standing in line for a chance to "come on in." And here we will pause to remark that, having ourselves, in past days of daring and bravado, penetrated even unto the Pacific coast, we retain vivid recollections of the chill of the water at that edge of the jumping-off place. Never will we forget the colossal icebergs that we saw strewn along Coronado Beach in the month of May, or the howling blasts that we encountered about the same time in the streets of San Francisco. Not even the papier-mache palms in the cafe windows took the frost out of our toes, and it was not until our return to Chicago that we really got thawed out.

We call the files of the Review to witness that we are the reverse of egotistical—yet we are justly proud of our eligibility to the society of bone-fide explorers known to have visited California, withstood the rigors of its climate and returned to civilization to tell the tale. If this seems vainglorious, however, we will add that we had never summoned to our aid the necessary fortitude for so appalling an undertaking but for the knowledge that we had Chicago to come back to! We will conclude with a famous quotation from a classic poet:

O, California, thy climate is a fake—
Give me Chicago and its sun-kissed lake!

It's a long, long way to Tipperary, if our readers will pardon our use of this much overworked phrase, but the way is evidently no longer than the mental processes required by the author of the above screed for its composition, as it has, from all surface indications, been in course of preparation since some months ago, when we made some jocular allusions to the weirdness of our esteemed contemporary's conception of a "climatic paradise." It has been a long, long task, the various stilted and bombastic paragraphs showing evidence of having been polished and re-polished in an effort to display the vast and superior erudition of their composer, but "mieux tarde que jamais," as Will Durfee so aptly remarked to Messrs. Shank, Andrews, Murphy, et al., when he grabbed the fourth, fifth and sixth heats of the Kentucky futurity, and we feel that the result shows time well spent. There is one sentence that would be worthy of Henry James—almost.

Really, the Review has "laid for us" at a bad moment, knowing that we would be so engrossed in enjoying speed displays at the exposition track that we would have none of the time for the preparation of our acknowledgment of their "appreciation" of us that marked its construction at their hands, our response being of necessity delivered on the spur of the moment, extemporaneously, one might say, or prepared "poco damn prontito," if the Review will pardon our Texas Spanish. This is workout day and we fain would be on deck to witness more of those "lizard like displays" that "would not be thought worthy of comment" in Chicago. "Would not" is erroneous; "will not" is more nearly proper, as there is no danger of Chicago ever witnessing such displays, judging from the bush meeting held there last season when free-for-all pacers "electrified the expectant throngs" by going in 2:11, or from that great Fourth of July some five years gone when the fastest heat of the day was 2:14¼ and "elicited cheer after cheer from the enthusiastic multitude." "Will not" is right, worthy or unworthy, as the case may be.

However, enough of this "serious" consideration of a minor affair, and let us return to the spirit of levity, with malice toward none, which has characterized our former remarks in this connection.

Ain't it awful, Mabel, the way these here easterners behave when they get away from home and arrive on our hospitable shores? Of course, kid, we ain't sticklers for the proprieties only up to a certain point, but there are limits past which no perfect gen'leman is going to went, Genevieve. The idea of a man in his position lickin' up so many highballs at Coronado an' gettin' so in the habit of lookin' at the bottom of the glass that, by th' inebriate conceptions of his feeble intellect, the innercent crystal was tooken fer icebergs! Can you beat it? An' then coming to San Francisco an' spendin' so much time on th' Barb'ry Coast that he thinks that's all there is in the city! An' him married maybe, or engaged! Uh course, Clarice, no tiene diferencia para nosotros, as it ain't really none of our business an' them places is kept goin' merely for "towerist consumption," but when a guy like him carries things as fur as he did the truth had ought to be told.

An' about that fried chicken—that just nacherully ain't so. Uh course that cheap joint of Al Fresco's that he mentions we don't know nothin' about, though oncet when we was in Chi a gen'leman friend who was on the Review took us to Pittsburg Joe's an' purt near foundered us without gettin' but twenty-seven cents punched out of his meal ticket. Al Fresco's is prob'ly one of them cheap French places where you don't reconnize fried chicken when you get it, cause them foreign cheefs always do something to their chicken that hadn't rightly ought to be done to chicken, but I'm gonna write to John R. Thompson, Mabel, an' tell him about them libels th' Review sprung on his cafays. No fried chicken in Chicago? Why, John will simply rare up an' fall back! No fried chicken? Why, hownell could ya run a Methodist conference without fried chicken, or a G. A. R. picnic?—an' them th' leadin' political powers of the republican party in Illinoy!

An' them poetic closin' words, that they got Bath House John t' write for 'em! Ain't them too cunnin' fer any use? They just clinches th' theery, Myrtle, of poeta nascitur, non fit, which in plain lingo means poets is nastier than fits. Ain't it th' truth!

The fit they threw merely goes to show that the Review, after all is said and done, is very much "obunge solge"—if they will pardon our Creek (or maybe it is Choctaw; these aboriginal tongues are confusing)!

LEXINGTON RECORD MEETING.

Blue Grass horsemen held their first record meeting of the season at Lexington on Tuesday, May 18, earlier than usual, fourteen trotters being provided with standard records, two from the Devereux stable, two from John E. Madden's establishment, and the balance from Hillanddale Farm, a number of the latter being the get of Atlantic Express (3) 2:08¼. One of the nice performances was that of the three-year-old Barbara King (3) 2:15¾, by King Bellini and out of Helen Simmons, the dam of the green trotter Spriggan that is showing so nicely here for Will DeRyder. These are the newcomers to the list:

To beat 2:30¼ trotting:
H. K. Devereux's b f Faralie (2) by John a McKerron—Croppy by Onward.....(Curry) 2:29¾
H. K. Devereux's ch h Jack Murray (4) by John A. McKerron—Lea by Sidney.....(Devereux) 2:16¼
J. E. Madden's b c Maple Tree (2) by Siliko—Bertha Leyburn by Arion .....(Hayes) 2:21¼
J. E. Madden's b f Walnut Tree (2) by Siliko—Markala by Peter the Great.....(Hayes) 2:18½
Hillanddale Farm's br m Pilatka (13) by Bingen—Hatteras by Wilkes Boy.....(Hayes) 2:14¾
Hillanddale Farm's b m Amina King (4) by King Bellini—Operetta by Elyria .....(Dickerson) 2:22
Hillanddale Farm's br f Harvette (3) by The Harvester—Beatrice Bellini by Bellini...(Dickerson) 2:13¼
Hillanddale Farm's ch f Barbara King (3) by King Bellini—Helen Simmons by Simmons.(Dickerson) 2:15¾
Hillanddale Farm's br f Stellamaris (2) by Atlantic Express—Nettie King by Mambrino King.....(Dickerson) 2:23½
Hillanddale Farm's ch f Atlantika (2) by Atlantic Express—The Huntress by Onward Silver.....(Dickerson) 2:20½
Hillanddale Farm's br f Saskia (2) by Atlantic Express—Milady Axtell by Axtell.....(Dickerson) 2:29
Hillanddale Farm's ch c Opera Express (2) by Atlantic Express—Operetta by Elyria..(Dickerson) 2:26½
Hillanddale Farm's bl f Choisle (3) by Bingen—Ciociara by Bellini.....(Haynes) 2:18
Hillanddale Farm's bl f Ondiva (2) by Atlantic Express—La Notte by Bellini.....(Dickerson) 2:25

E. R. Dunne, one time of Seattle but more recently a temporary resident of San Jose, has clinched the matter of permanent residence in California by purchasing a bit of ranch property near Morgan Hill and stocking it with a nice herd of pure bred Holstein heifers. Alfalfa and dairy checks look good to E. R., but at that not so good as his two-year-old Cochato filly, who is working at the trot well inside the standard limit.

2:10 List for 1915 Gets Its Start in California

With two new additions to the 2:10 list, a number of other nice record performances by trotters and pacers of various ages and a fast free-for-all pace, the regular racing season of 1915 on the Pacific coast was ushered in Saturday, May 22, at Woodland, when the horsemen of that section of the Sacramento valley staged the program originally scheduled to take place on May 15. Owing to the removal of the Silva-Daniels combination to the exposition track the field for the free-for-all was cut down a bit and one or two youngsters that were due to acquire breeder's records were absent, but there was always plenty doing for the entertainment of the good crowd in attendance.

Will Ivey drew the distinction of piloting the season's first new 2:10 trotter, when he sent Frank Ruhstaller's brown son of Walnut Hall and Daisy Wilkes by Moko—Moko Hall—over the course for a nicely rated mile in even time, 2:10 flat. Having made a winning performance the big trotter could not be sent for a lower record on the same day, but just as a "clincher" Ivey repeated him an unofficial mile in 2:09¼, many of the horsemen present considering that the lad was equal to a mile in 2:08 had it been necessary. Ivey also put Moko Hall in the table of sires through the performance of the three-year-old filly Tennie Hall, out of Tennie by Temescal, giving her a trotting record of 2:23 immediately following the performance of her sire. Dr. E. J. Weldon of Sacramento also had a standard ride behind a three-year-old trotting filly, giving a mark of 2:29½ to Banostine Belle by Lijero, out of Mater Expedio (dam of Expedio 2:09¼) by Knight, both the fillies mentioned being candidates for futurity honors later in the season.



MOKO HALL 2:10, THE FIRST 2:10 TROTTER OF THE YEAR.

Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, Woodland Stock Farm's premier stallion, whose yearlings in the stable of Hunter Moody at Lexington have been the cause of so much favorable comment this season, has three new performers as the result of the day's operations, the first one being the bay pacing mare Josie Ansel, out of Josie D. by Nutwood Wilkes, who annexed a mark of 2:14 with apparent ease. His sidewheeler safely put in the list, Harry Dowling turned his attention to the trotters, driving the two-year-old filly Sadie Ansel, sister to Laura Rogers 2:11¼, a nice mile in 2:23½, and the three-year-old Ruth Ansel to a record of 2:21, the latter lass being a sister to the fast trotters Prince Lot 2:07¾ and Lottie Ansel (2) 2:14¼, the coast champion for her age and gait in 1912. Sadie and Ruth are also futurity entries that, from present indications, should give pretty good accounts of themselves in November. Robert Bingen, who shares with Prince Ansel the stud duties of the Considine establishment and who has a winrace record of 2:11¼ as a pacer, gave evidence of his versatility by trotting, well within himself, in 2:15½, making a good new one for both Bingen 2:06¼ and the great brood mare Episode 2:18.

Hi Hogoboom also piloted a couple of trotters of his own breeding into the year book, Honest Boy and Beautiful Girl. The Boy is a four-year-old gelding by Hogoboom's speed sire, Palo King (2) 2:28½, out of Miss Ione by Iran Alto, and trotted in 2:23¾, while the Girl, who is a daughter of Iran Alto and the double producing matron Beautiful Bird by Nutwood Wilkes, grandam famous old Expressive (3) 2:12½ by Electioneer, went the route in 2:29¾.

Elmo Montgomery sprung the sensation of the day, however, with the five-year-old gelding Lock Logan, whom he sent out to beat 2:25¼ pacing and who reeled off a well rated mile in 2:07¼. This lad has always had a great turn of speed but has not, until the last few weeks, developed much ambition to put it to use, as he preferred to fuss along in company with anything that happened to be jogging on the track. Late last fall, Elmo gave up the idea of keeping him a stallion and put him under the knife, with the gratifying results so greatly in evidence Saturday. In his early work this spring he still had many of his former general characteristics, but about a month ago surprised the stable staff by working to a cart for Tennessee Bill Morrison in about 2:16, since which time he has been showing real race horse inclinations. He was well hardened and came so rapidly that Saturday's performance was only the tenth time that he has beaten 2:20. He "looms large" as a successor to Jim Logan as a racing tool for Montgomery's future campaigns as he has never been hurt and is bred to both fast and lasting—by Zolock 2:05¼ and out of the coast's champion producer of extreme speed, Effie Logan, dam of Jim Logan 2:01¾, Sir Albert S. 2:03¼, Dan Logan 2:07¼ and Lock Logan 2:07¼. Following Will Ivey's system of "double shooting 'em" by putting the new 2:10 performer in the table of sires as well, Elmo set sail with the two-year-old pacing filly Carolyn M., by Lock Logan 2:07¼, dam Trilby Maid (dam of Maxine (3) 2:15) by Black Ralph Jr., and completed the circuit in 2:21, which makes her look good for the junior pacing divisions of this year's classics. Statisticians and other interested parties need not look for Lock Logan's list to grow, however, as Carolyn M. is his only foal.

Teddy Bear's defection cut down the field in the free-for-all pace, but his absence had no effect on the time hung out, as Jim Logan, Booze and Clara Mac tramped two merry miles in 2:06 and 2:08, the coast champion winning both comfortably. Booze, with Ivey up, put up a nice race, and Clara Mac, though unsteady, paced very fast at various portions of her miles.

The day's officials were F. E. Emlay, T. B. Hutchins and W. S. Harkey, timers; A. C. Stevens, R. J. Gibson and J. H. Haile, judges; F. E. Wright, starter, and G. B. Kelley, clerk of the course and representative of the N. T. A. Here are the details of the occasion:

To beat 2:11¼ trotting:
Moko Hall, br h (8) by Walnut Hall—Daisy Wilkes by Moko .....(Ivey) won
Time—:33, 1:05½, 1:37½, 2:10.

To beat 2:30¼ trotting:
Tennie Hall, br f (3) by Moko Hall—Tennie by Temescal ..... (Ivey) won
Time—:45¼, 1:10, 1:46, 2:23.

To beat 2:30¼ trotting.
Banostine Belle, br f (3) by Lijero—Mater Expedio by Knight .....(Weldon) won
Time—:37½, 1:14½, 1:53, 2:29½.

To beat 2:25¼ pacing.
Josie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Josie D. by Nutwood Wilkes .....(Dowling) won
Time—:34, 1:08, 1:40½, 2:14.

To beat 2:30¼ trotting.
Sadie Ansel, b f (2) by Prince Ansel—Lauress by Mendocino .....(Dowling) won
Time—:36, 1:12¾, 1:47¾, 2:23½.

To beat 2:25 trotting.
Ruth Ansel, b f (3) by Prince Ansel—Lottie Whipleton by San Diego.....(Dowling) won
Time—:36, 1:12½, 1:45½, 2:21.

To beat 2:20 trotting.
Robert Bingen, b h (10) by Bingen—Episode by Ambassador ..... (Dowling) won
Time—:33½, 1:07½, 1:41, 2:15½.

To beat 2:30¼ trotting.
Honest Boy, b g (4) by Palo King—Miss Ione by Iran Alto .....(Hogoboom) won
Time—:37, 1:13, 1:46¾, 2:23¾.

To beat 2:30¼ trotting.
Beautiful Girl, b m (4) by Iran Alto—Beautiful Bird by Nutwood Wilkes .....(Hogoboom) won
Time—:37, 1:14, 1:49½, 2:29¾.

To beat 2:25¼ pacing.
Lock Logan, br g (5) by Zolock—Effie Logan by Durfee ..... (Montgomery) won
Time—:32, 1:04, 1:35½, 2:07¼.

To beat 2:25¼ pacing.
Carolyn M., b f (2) by Lock Logan—Trilby Maid by Black Ralph Jr. .....(Montgomery) won
Time—:36, 1:11½, 1:46½, 2:21.

Free-for-all pace, 2 in 3.
Jim Logan, b h by Chas. Derby.....(Montgomery) 1 1
Booze, b g by Dupe.....(Ivey) 2 2
Clara Mac, br m by Expressive Mac.....(Dowling) 3 3
Time—:31¾, 1:03, 1:33, 2:06.
:32½, 1:02½, 1:35, 2:08.

REMINDERS FOR JUNE FIRST.

Tuesday, June first—next Tuesday—is a date which coast horsemen must not overlook, as it marks the closing of numerous classes here at San Francisco and at other points in the west where they will probably race during the season.

At the exposition there are a number of things to be borne in mind for action upon. It marks the final date of closing for the four great $20,000 stakes at the June and November meetings, and is also the limit for the making of substitutions for horses entered on the first closing date, September 1, 1913, declarations of substitution, which can be made only by an original nominator, to be accompanied by a payment of $200. Nominators to the four colt stakes to be raced at the June meeting must also make declaration at this time as to whether they will race at the trot or at the pace, unless their entry is already properly classified. Two-year-olds may be transferred from either class to the other without payment of any kind, the amount of the stake being the same, but those having paid entrance on three-year-olds in the pace and wishing to start in the trot must pay the difference in the entry fee. Conversely, colts paid up as trotters and starting as pacers will have a refund coming to them.

In addition to these matters, there also remain the ten class races which failed to fill on April first and were reopened to close next Tuesday. In all but one instance the events are for the same classes as previously announced, the exception being the 2:08 pace, which, in the new programs, has been changed to a 2:07 class at both meetings, admitting a number of horses that are here and which were not eligible to the 2:08 class. For the summer meeting the classes to close Tuesday are the 2:07 pace for $2500, the 2:13 trot for $1,000, the 2:13 pace for $1,000, the 2:17 trot for $1,000, and the free-for-all trot for $2,500, while for the fall meeting, to close at the same time, these are available: the 2:12 trot for $1,250, the 2:10 pace for $1,250, the 2:07 pace for $1,500, the free-for-all pace for $2,500 and the free-for-all trot for $2,500.

Horsemen are especially cautioned that horses entered at the June meeting and not in condition to start must be paid up on at three per cent and declared out on or before June first or be held for full entrance fee.

Parties going east after the exposition races should also give consideration to the three-day meeting at Denver on June 30 and July 1 and 2, when $9,000 will be hung up for 2:12, 2:20 and 2:05 trotters and 2:07, 2:20 and free-for-all pacers, full particulars appearing elsewhere in this publication. Entry is on a three per cent basis and John O. Talbott is the secretary.

Throughout the northwest June first is an important date, as there are events closing then for the various meetings on the North Pacific Circuit, which provides a couple of months of continuous racing that will doubtless attract a number of California stables, owing to the dearth of racing here aside from the exposition meetings. Purses on this circuit range from $300 to $2,000 and the different meetings

e held under the most satisfactory of general conditions. The entire program appears elsewhere and most respectfully commended to your consideration, as this circuit has kept the industry alive when thers have fallen by the wayside, and is worthy of very support. Provision is made for a wide range f speed, so that stable managers will be able to find lasses that will give their horses ample earning apacities.

For the Regina Exhibition to be held July 26 to 1, entries to which were originally announced to lose on May first, June first has now been named as closing day with Secretary D. T. Elderkin, two per ent to accompany entry, three per cent due on July 5. Regina's early closers are for $800 each for 2:30, 2:20 and 2:15 trotters and 2:25, 2:15 and 2:10 pacers, ntries made after May 15th being no bar. Entries also close on this date for a few of the earlier meetngs of the Colorado and Wyoming Circuit, of which J. A. Burnett of Denver is secretary.

Nor are trotting horse breeders the only coast horsemen to whom the date is important, as lovers and raisers of gaited saddle horses have their major classic, the California State Fair Gaited Saddle Horse Futurity Number Two, closing at this time. Five thousand dollars is the total offering of this classic, to which the original nomination fee is but $2, eligibility to the stake being defined as follows: the foal of any mare bred in 1914 to a stallion registered with either the American or Pacific Coast Gaited Saddle Horse Association. There are no long waits for action on your money in this event as first awards will be made this fall on weanlings, the money being allotted to four different ages—weanlings, yearlings, two-year-olds and three-year-olds. Most breeders are familiar with the full conditions, but any whose memory needs refreshing will find all they wish to know on a business page.

Under the conditions of the last Horseman futurity, which also closes June first, there are forty ways to make money, and by hanging up records for half-mile track performances coast horsemen can share in the distribution of the stake and never leave home. A dollar a mare is the first payment, and if you are unaware of full conditions and have a good prospect coming on, you can afford to enter and investigate at your leisure. Give the youngsters a show.

WHERE WAS THE MARK?

Every once in a while there bobs up a "new one for the book," but the prize for the present season, to date, must be accorded to the chapter below, an excerpt from a letter to the well known northwestern horse fancier, Clinton A. Harrison, from a party in one of our central western states:

Dear Sir Enclosed please find your photograph which I am returning with many thanks for the kind favor and wish also to inform you that I have discovered the mistake regarding the objecktions that I stated in my other letter that I had to Maggie Ansel and wish also to inform you how this mistake occured it was this way when I received the photograph I gave it to a friend of mine who is a Vetternary Sergeon and claims to be so me what of anexpert on being able to pick the good points and the weak points in a horse from a photograph so I was very anxious to get his opinion regarding this filly good points as well as her weak ones if she hzad any so that the only objection that he found and I had him to mark what he claims is her tail so will see the little cross mark that he made he contends that is her tail I made a little strait mark on what I contend is her tail after I had examined it closely he still contends that he is wright and I am eaqualy as positive that I am wright I am so positive that I am wright that I am willing to acknowledge the mistake and with draw that objection but he is very anxious that you shall say who is wright in this matter his contentions is that they have aimed to give her the appearance of and English park horse and had given her a little to much and had spoilt the looks of her. when I wrote to you last I was in ahurry and forgot to mention about the artical that you sent me that was published in the horseman of february I appreciate that very much as the arti cal was writen by and old acquaintance of mine I met Mr. A L Thomas in the early spring of eightythree when I was only a Boy helpin my Uncle in a garden he came over from Illinaisto Lexington Ky take charge of Major H C McDowells string of trotters and drove for him till in the summer till after the Chicago races he boarded with my uncle the most of the time while he was with McDowell he has been trainer For Colonel John Donovan of St Joseph Mo For the last few years up to Cononel Donoven Death in regard to me buying your two year old horse I have been considering it but dont think that I can handle him at this time will consider it further and let you know positively what I can do about it well I dont believe that I have any thing else to say till I hear from you

Evidently the heathen Chinee has nothing on the vet mentioned above when it comes to ways that are dark and tricks that are queer, for this is a real departure in determining breeding, speed, individual excellence and all those things that modern breeders strive for. The color theory, beside it, pales into insignificance, and in order that we may learn something of this new science we beg of Mr. Harrison that he furnish us and an expectant public the following information: Wherenell did the wise guy mark the tail? Which end should it really be on for speed, according to the new dope?

Gahagan's Los Angeles Letter

Among the welcome visitors drawn from the east to California by reason of the harness meet next month at the exposition is Tom Gahagan, who for several years has ranked among the foremost of trotting turf correspondents, covering the country from Phoenix to Boston and from Dallas to the Canadian tracks in the interest of some of the eastern horse journals and a string of the leading dailies. For the present he is representing, in addition to his daily bunch, the Western Horseman and the Horseman, the first of his local stories to find its way east and back again being the following interesting review of the exposition stake candidates at Los Angeles, appearing in the current number of the Horseman:

After a 68-hour ride from Chicago I landed here on May 6 and since that time I have been listening to alibis or excuses, if you prefer, from native sons for the wretched weather with which this American Riviera has been afflicted during the past few weeks. The native Californian is strong on the alibi and the nature of it depends upon what part of the country you happen to be infesting at the time. Here it is the weather. Theoretically, it never rains in this section between the months of March and November, and the weather is popularly supposed to be of that brand generally associated with stories of southern Italy. Actually, it has been raining more or less since April 1 and the temperature is frequently such as to make an overcoat a necessity.

Enter the alibi. "This weather is abnormal," you are confidentially informed by the native son. "Nothing like this has ever occurred within the memory of the oldest inhabitant, and it probably never will occur again. Going up to Frisco? Well, you want to take your overcoat along up there, for you may need it anytime." How they do love each other, the residents of these two great coast cities. That of the burglar for the cop, the cowboy for the sheepherder or the Irishman for the A. P. A. is tame by comparison.

I arrived at Exposition Park just in time to find Lon McDonald and Will Durfee giving their horses their last workout and the men packing up for the trip to the Panama-Pacific Exposition. These two stables, three carloads strong, shipped out on May 8, which leaves less than a dozen horses at the local track which are scheduled to race for the big money at the June meeting at the exposition, and these will depart northward about May 22.

Lon McDonald seems to have found the California climate agreeable, for he is considerably over weight, and in spite of the rather bad weather of late, states that this country suits him as a permanent place of residence. His stable is eleven strong, and under the supervision of himself and his efficient second man, Ed Avery, all but one of them are in the best of condition, the trotting stallion Hallmark 2:11¼, which McDonald considered a great stake prospect, having been lame all winter and is not liable to be seen at the races this season. As I arrived on the eve of the northward ship I saw only the work of a few members of the stable.

With that handsome, gamecock trotter Star Winter 2:05, McDonald on May 7 set the season's trotting record for the local track at 2:08¾. The fast gelding is carrying a lot of fiesh, in fact there are few ribs to be seen among the horses which have been or are being trained here this season. This is accounted for by the fact that there has been but little extremely warm weather and the trainers say that especially during the month of April it was almost impossible to get a "scrape" on any of the horses. McDonald is hoping that the free-for-all trot at the exposition meeting, reopened to close June 1, will fill, as he can't quite figure where any of the coast trotters have an even chance to head Star Winter.

McDonald was working McCloskey 2:06¼ when I arrived, and in warming up the wrong way of the track the white faced gelding showed somewhat lame in front. When turned the right way of the course and the steam turned on, however, he squared away, forgot all about his troubles and breezed an easy mile in 2:10. If it was not for the fact that he rather disappointed his trainer, after showing great form in his work last season, he would be figured as a real star prospect for the stakes.

I did not see Laramie Lad work, but was informed that he had also been in 2:10, and is doing everything asked of him in his early work. As he has been accused of beating 2:05 in his work last season, it is likely that he will be selected to carry the McDonald colors in the $20,000 stake at the exposition meeting, providing that he continues to work as satisfactorily at the exposition track as he has here.

The Duchess 2:06¼, the roan mare who worked a mile a full second faster than her record at Phoenix last fall, has worked in 2:12, but has been a quarter in 30 seconds at the end of one of these workout miles, and Laramie Lad will have to show a lot if he beats her out of a chance of starting in the M. & M. at Detroit. The four-year-old colt Adbell M. 2:09¾ has been in 2:13 and is also working satisfactorily.

Both McDonald and Avery are still repining over the death of the great three-year-old pacer Squantum 2:09¼, who died at Phoenix last fall. They believe the gelding was a two minute or better pacer and had depended upon him to show the way in the big pacing stake at the exposition meeting. Now the dependence is the little mare Margot Hal 2:04¼. While she is a useful little mare when right, she has only been in 2:10 as yet and hardly looks to class with such speed demons as Dr. Burns Jr. and Homer Mac, who have been burning the track here of late. The big Hedgewood Boy youngster, Hedgewood Patchen, worked a mile right in the same notch with Margot Hal.

Will Durfee shipped about fifteen head to San Francisco on the same train which carried the McDonald stable. Owing to his early departure I did not succeed in getting the dope on all of his stable, but I saw the phenomenal filly Virginia Barnette (3) 2:08¼ work around 2:14 (she has been one mile in 2:13 this spring) and she showed that she has fully recovered from her hurried trip of exploration through the Los Angeles streets some weeks ago, a trip which landed her in the manhole of a sewer with a splintered hoof. For pure speed she no doubt has it on any trotter which has been trained here, not excepting Star Winter. In a workout a few days before being shipped away she was some distance back of The Duchess at the three-quarter pole. The roan mare has some whiz and negotiated the last quarter in 30 seconds, but the filly was right on even terms with her when she passed the wire, and it looks that she can step a quarter in 29 seconds any time the question is asked of her.

Durfee has a real two-year-old trotter in the little brown filly which he calls Miss Rico. She is a daughter of the futurity winner Manrico 2:07¼, out of the dam of the fast pacing mare White Sox. She has already been a mile in 2:21, and I saw her finish a mile at a 2:10 shot on the outside of two aged horses. She is scheduled to start in the baby trotter class at the exposition meeting. The four-year-old pacer Contention B. was the only other member of the Durfee stable which I saw work, Bob Smith of Sweet Marie 2:02 fame, who was volunteer second trainer for Durfee while here, working him a mile in 2:11½.

For the pacing speed honors of the local track there is considerable of a battle on between the local horse Homer Mac 2:06¼ and the Cleveland-Chicago owned stallion Dr. Burns Jr. 2:04¼. Up to date the former has a slight edge on Burns by his mile late in March in 2:05½, which he has not beaten since, Jim Stewart being content with working him miles around 2:08 after he had hung up a mark for the others to shoot at. He is a big, rugged looking pacer, wears the hobbles and is one of the kind which apparently thrives on hard work, as he was taken to the Canadian ice races the past winter, where he was a star, and has had no letup since coming back from the ice carnival.

Al Whitney has been bringing Dr. Burns Jr. along carefully and up to May 9 had not beaten 2:09 with the big stallion. Some weeks ago his leg had Al worried a bit, but now he is apparently right on the pin. On the 9th Whitney worked him six miles, the fifth in 2:07¾ and the final in 2:06 flat, going to the half in 1:04. Whitney says that he will not attempt to beat this before shipping to San Francisco, the date of his departure now being scheduled for May 22.

Bessie Custer had been working finely for Whitney up to her last workout, having been an easy mile in 2:13, and her trainer expected to work in 2:10. The chilly weather, however, apparently tied the chestnut mare up and she worked disappointingly on the 7th. Whitney is confident, however, that a few days' letup will bring her around all right. Up to this time she had been one of the best liked trotters at the track.

Ted Hayes has just commenced to brush the rangy chestnut gelding Bon Courage 2:12¾ along, no fast miles having been attempted with him as yet. Little Bernice is under the supervision of Bob Carnathan, but her owner, Sam Watkins, is in the pilot house when the mare is asked for speed. This season she is going free-legged and is apparently taking her work satisfactorily. She is another which is headed for the 2:06 pace at 'Frisco. There is considerable friendly rivalry between her owner and Will Durfee over the respective merits of the mare and White Sox, and Durfee has the long end of a $500 to $250 wager that the latter heads Little Bernice in the summary of the big stake at the exposition.

Jim Stewart has, in addition to Homer Mac, the sensational half-mile track youngster Patrick de Oro, but he has not been in form since being brought back from the Canadian ice races and will not be ready to start at San Francisco. Stewart also has a yearling full brother to Patrick which is a perfect little pacing machine.

While he insists that he has retired from the sport, one of the frequent visitors at the local track is Joe Thayer, formerly of Lexington, one time owner of The Bondsman and other harness horses, but now owner of The Kentucky, a handsome apartment house in Hollywood, one of the most beautiful of the Los Angeles suburbs. John Shepard of Boston is another who makes frequent trips to the track from his home in Pasadena.

Eleven Days' Racing Panama-Pacific International Exposition's

On a track that the work of the past fortnight has proven to be one of the fastest pieces of new dirt ever laid, the first races of the long awaited race meeting at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition will be staged next Saturday afternoon, three good fields being guaranteed for opening day. Two o'clock is the time set by the exposition officials for the beginning of each day's program, and promptly at that hour, one week from today, Starter Updegraff will call the horses for the first heat of the 2:30 trot, sandwiching in order the heats of the 2:07 pace and the 2:08 trot. Seldom it is that a Grand Circuit meeting has staged such a program for its opening day, and the best horses of both gaits from all sections of the country will appear in their respective classes.

For the 2:30 trot there was a possible field of twelve starters, and though it is known that one or two of the entries may be declared out by June first, there will be left a field of generous size and exceptional excellence; it would be a good field in a much faster class, and for a green class there are in evidence some remarkable performers, a number of which have worked miles this spring from 2:08 to 2:10. Spriggan and The Proof, who hold the Pleasanton training season record of 2:08½ for green trotters, will have a chance to show which is best, while Will Durfee will start either Miss Quealy or Virginia Barnette, the latter lass having shown her ability to trot the local track in 2:08. McCloskey, who has a non-winning record of 2:06¼ and already has over ten thousand dollars to his credit as a campaigner, gets his first start of the year in this event, as does Dr. Burns Jr.'s stable mate, Bessie Custer, who is credited with ample capacity for beating 2:10. Robert Bingen snared a record of 2:15½ at the Woodland meeting Saturday and has worked his home track some seconds faster, while Bon Cres has a breeder's mark of 2:10¼ gained as a three-year-old, and has gone right around that figure this year. Miss Perfection has had no work faster than 2:15 since her let-up a few weeks back, and A. R. G. has traveled over the exposition track in 2:14¼.

The 2:08 pace failing to fill, the re-opened event was made for sidewheelers eligible to the 2:07 class, there being several horses present eligible to that class which could not qualify for the 2:08. The entries do not close until June first so that no definite data as to the probable starters is available. Among the horses that are eligible, however, and whose owners will hardly overlook the opportunity afforded them for picking up a bit of cash are Hal Boy, The Beaver, College Gent, Princess Patch, White Sox, Homer Mac, Dick W., Little Bernice, Walnut Grove, Booze, Zulu Belle, Teddy Bear, and perhaps one or two others overlooked "in the shuffle." There should be a fair sized field and the crowd will get a line on a number of the candidates for the money in the big stake that is dated for getaway day.

The 2:08 trot will also bring out a select aggregation of well tried campaigners, including a number that will figure in the major event for horses of their gait and that are also staked down the big line. Vallejo King and Wilbur Lou probably will not start and Judge Colburn's Colorado trotter, Passall, has not yet registered at a California port of call, but the balance are "there like a wolf at the door." Albaloma, one of the most consistent trotters on the coast and the identical lad that put Maymack into her second position in the world's record table last year, will tangle up for the first time with the big Peter the Great stallion entered against him in numerous eastern stakes, Peter McCormick, who put a crust on the oval at Pleasanton early this week with a mile in 2:06½. Durfee will start either Rags, Esperanza or Virginia Barnette and Lon Daniels will pilot Kid Cupid. Alberta Dillon will up hold Canada's end of the argument, Electric Patch will probably appear for the 1:55 stables, while McDonald and Charley DeRyder will team their M. & M. candidates, The Duchess and Mahomet Watts. Fields like these are hard to beat in any country.

Loren Daniels came down from Woodland last Saturday with the Silva horses, including Teddy Bear 2:05, the green pacer Potrero Boy, Bondalean (2) 2:20½, heralded as the real article among three-year-old pacers, and the trotters Columbia T. (2) 2:22½, Eloise Dell 2:26 and Kid Cupid 2:08¾. Teddy Bear "won a main" Sunday in 2:08 and the other members of the stable have had brisk work, Potrero Boy especially showing a great flight of speed, having paced the Woodland track in 2:07 and, on another occasion, having gone to the half in 1:11 and home in 2:10. Joe McGuire collared him at the head of the lane one morning this week with Red Rock and the pair buzzed to the wire in :28¾, which is not exactly standing hitched. Red Rock missed a few workouts after getting cast in his stall some days ago, but has come to his speed very fast and promises to fill his engagement in the big stake. McGuire has only worked him in 2:13 so far but he goes good and is mighty handy. Incidentally, the Colorado reinsman uncovered a likely green pacer Tuesday when he worked Direct Line a shade faster than 2:09, coming through the stretch with Virginia Barnette at a 1:56 gait.



McCLOSKEY 2:06¼ AND A SIDE PARTNER ROUNDING THE FIRST TURN AT THE P.-P. I. E.
The timbered hills of the Presidio in the background.

Monday witnessed the arrival of three of the Pleasanton stables, those of Charley Durfee, A. F. Ruthven and C. A. Spencer. Durfee brought down Twinkling Dan and San Felipe for the big stakes and has turned the local track with them in 2:09 and 2:09¼. With Horseshoe Boy, the big trotter who makes Rags look like a weanling, he has gone in 2:23, while Tim Sexton's Future Tramp is just being started up again. Durfee pere (the Horse Review has given us this blamed habit of ringing in French) also has Dr. Ralph Hagan's two-year-old filly Carleta, that trotted here early in the week in 2:22¼, and the three-year-old brother to Esperanza, Carl, who has progressed this week to a mile in 2:15½.

Ruthven has his full stable headed by Walnut Grove 2:05¼, his main dependence for the fast classes both here and down the big line. The black fellow is standing up well and before leaving Pleasanton turned the trick in 2:07½, 1:01¾. He was due for a fair work here yesterday or today, and is the only member of the string that has yet been let down very far.

Spencer was also due for a workout with Bonnie Ansel and The Proof just too late for publication, but both have been beating 2:10 of late and will furnish competition for the folks they race against, while the two-year-old filly, The Expense, worked at Pleasanton in 2:22, 1:10, :32½. Charley tried her a bit here Thursday, going the route nicely in 2:24¾, with the last half in 1:08. Frank Goularte also came down from Pleasanton early in the week with his trio of matinee horses, J. C. Simpson, now pacing, Decoto Boy and Aerolite Jr. Frank is entered for Sunday's fray.

Thursday morning horses came in pretty fast for a few hours, the Woodland delegation arriving a little in advance of the second column of the Livermore valley reserves. From Woodland Stock Farm Superintendent Harry Dowling brought the brand new trotters Sadie Ansel (2) 2:23, Ruth Ansel (3) 2:21 and Robert Bingen 2:15½, as well as the older standbys Lottie Ansel (2) 2:14¼, who has worked in 2:13¾ so far this year, and the free-for-all pacer Clara Mac 2:04½, who has turned the Woodland track in 2:07¼. Harry also brought along the high school saddler Prince Arista to familiarize him with metropolitan life. Will Ivey has the season's first new 2:10 trotter, Moko Hall, and his daughter Tennie Hall (3) 2:23, with a trial to date in 2:19; Jim Donnelly, Frank Wright's matinee pacer, who has worked in 2:12, and the D. D. McDonald gelding Donald, with a trial of 2:09¼ and some very fast fractional distances.

Elmo Montgomery had a quartette of pacers in the car, headed by that old war horse Jim Logan 2:01¾, winner of Saturday's free-for-all pace in 2:06 and 2:08. He has been the route in 2:05½ and Elmo believes that if the track here suits him he can pace some very fast miles, as he is sound and hard as nails, having had a lot of work from seven to eleven. Dan Logan 2:07¼ has been beating ten, and Booze, the Sacramento sidewheeler, was second in 2:06 last week and Jack Lauffer has decided to start him in the big pace. Elmo's bunch is rounded out by Lock Logan 2:07¼, the year's first new pacer for the ten list, and a husky, racy looking lad he is.

Charley DeRyder had the big string of the Pleasanton contingent, bringing down about all of his stable with the exception of Bertha Carey. Joe Patchen's work last week in 2:05 is about the boss performance of the year in this neck of the woods, and Maymack has been working fast and well. Zomblack turned the Pleasanton oval Saturday in 2:06¾, which ought to mean that he has the lick to annex a little of the cash here, and Madame Mac delivered her "valedictory" at Pleasanton in 2:10, 2:09, 2:08, something of a green pacer her own self. Mahomet Watts has nearly equaled his record of 2:08¼ and Anvilite and Miss Perfection are both doing nicely. Bert Webster has Frank Perry (1) 2:15 in tiptop shape and also brought down Rodney Patchen for the three-year-old pacing stake.

Frank Childs also pitched camp on the beach with a string of five, of which but one, Bon Guy, has failed to beat 2:10, and he is rapidly coming nearer to that figure. Loe Blossom has had a mile and a repeat right around 2:08 recently, and while she has some bearcats to go up against in the big trot she ought to be a contender all the way. O. U. C. had a stiff workout early this week in 2:08¾, 2:07, 2:08, and the Frank Anderson pacers, Imbro and Jim Hill, have both been traveling in 2:09, so that Frank will be pretty muchly in evidence throughout the meeting.

V. L. Shuler and Peter McCormick are another pair that arrived Thursday, after having "plum ruined" the Pleasanton track on Tuesday. They burned it up so that Monte hasn't been able to stick a harrow into it yet and threaten to do the same kind of a trick to Mr. Maxwell's brand new course here. A mile in 2:08½ with a repeat in 2:06½, the last half in 1:01½, is enough to crack any ordinary dirt. Peter has had a good deal of experience on the twice arounds and is going to be a tough customer to handle. Shuler also brought along John Gwynne, who has improved in his gait and has been showing some nice halves and quarters. Millard Sanders still has Shuler's pacer, Fleeta Dillon (2) 2:08¾, and came down with her and two other members of his stable, the guideless pacer Barney Oldfield and the green trotter Howard's Comet, who has worked for him in 2:12½. Fleeta has a raft of speed, as she has shown 2:07¾ for Millard, and if she behaves like a lady she will be wearing a new record before the season is over.

With this bunch of horses on hand the clockers have quite a bit of trouble keeping cases on all of them, and next week their time pieces will be worked harder than ever, as most of the Pleasanton late arrivals who were content to go easy for two or three days will be "sitting on their tails," as will the Woodland contingent, and by Tuesday or Wednesday at the latest all the horses that are to start here will be on hand. All during the week the morning workouts have attracted a good deal of attention from exposition visitors and the interest shown in the trotters and pacers, both on the track and by visitors at the stables, augurs well for the success of the meetings. The final quarter is perhaps the fastest in the land, and it is not a short one, either. The way both trotters and pacers come through the lane from :28¾ to :30 brought up this

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question and early in the week the stretch was measured by a number of horsemen and found full length. White Sox has traveled the course in 2:06½ and repeated in 2:06¼; Margot Hal in 2:07¾; Virginia Barnette in 2:08 and repeated in 2:08½; Esperanza in 2:09¼; The Duchess and Star Winter in 2:09, Laramie Lad in 2:10, while there have been numerous miles from 2:10¼ to 2:13, and "everything," apparently, has come through the lane in :32 or better.

Saturday, June 5, will be one big day.

GOOD ENTRY LIST AT HARTFORD.

Hartford's Grand Circuit meeting last year may have had its bumps owing to the competition in evidence at Detroit, but most assuredly no fault can be found with the patronage afforded its early closing events for this year's program, scheduled for September 6 to 11. For the nine events recently closed the fields average well over twenty, while the 2:21 trot has fifty-four nominations. Here are the entries to the major events in which coast horses are engaged:

2:08 Class Trotting. The Charter Oak, $5,000.

Samuel Harris, ch s Axtien by Axworthy, dam Protein by Glenwold.
Pastime Stables, b s Lee Axworthy by Axworthy, dam Gaiety Lee by Bingen.
Hillanddale Farm, ch s Bonington by Bellini, dam Nettie King by Mambrino King.
Walter Cox, ch m Lady Grattan by Joe Grattan, dam Lady Downing by Hershow; b s Worthy Prince by Prince McKinney, dam Nell Worthy by Axworthy.
A. McDonald, ro m Duchess by Alertine.
E. A. Colburn, blk s Pass All by Crystallion, dam Miss Daisy Deane.
V. L. Shuler, br s Peter McCormick by Peter the Great, dam Pearl Cecil by Cecil W.
I. L. Borden, br s Albaloma by Almaden D., dam Loma B. by Stam B.
E. F. Geers, blk m Dorsh Medium by Red Medium, dam Vicanora by Viceroy; blk s J. Malcolm Forbes by Bingen, dam by Grand Sentinel.
T. W. Murphy, b s Peter Scott by Peter the Great, dam Jenny Scott by Bryson; b g Bright Axworthy by Axworthy, dam Honor Bright by Antonio; b m Lulu Lumine by Orator, dam Lumine by Stately.
Algot Johnson, ch g Reusens by Prince of India, dam Miss Sligo by Sligo.
J. H. Carmichael, ch g Jack London by Constenaro, dam Polly D. by Dumas.
James Butler, ch m Allerta by Directum Kelly, dam Anne Allerton by Allerton.

2:11 Class Trotting—$2,000.

Samuel Harris, ch s Axtien by Axworthy, dam Protein by Glenwold.
A. M. Watson, b s John R. Dillon by Sidney Dillon, dam Miss Grattanwood by Grattan Boy.
C. A. Valentine, b g Victor Star by Star Simmons, dam Evictus by Tinder.
Walter Cox, b s Worthy Prince by Prince McKinney, dam Nell Worthy by Axworthy; bl m Fair Virginia by Zombro, dam Fricka by Bingen.
Edw. C. Quin, b m High Born Lady by The Northern Man, dam Mary Lloyd by Vice Commodore.
A. McDonald, b s Adbell M. by Moko, dam Miss Adbell by Adbell.
V. L. Shuler, b s John Gwynne by McMyrtle, dam by Secretary.
I. L. Borden, b m Baby Doll by Tom Smith, dam Kate Lumry by Shadeland Onward.
E. F. Geers, b m Russian Dame by George Muscovite, dam by Expedition.
T. W. Murphy, b m Lulu Lumine by Orator, dam Lumine by Stately; b s Great Isle by Peter the Great, dam Belle Isle by Actell; br m Sadie S. by Archdale, dam Catherine S. by Patronage.
James D. Sullivan, b s J. D. S. by Earl of Chatham, dam Fylie by Sherman Wilkes.
C. H. Ridgley, ch s Captain Cacada by The Captain, dam Catania Maide by Allerton.
Robert Proctor, b g Baron Abberdeen by Baron Wilkes, dam by Abberdeen.
W. T. Crozier, b g Earlwood L. by Earl of Chatham, dam Marietta L. by Nouredain.
Beaumont Farm, b m Lady Watts by Gen. Watts, dam Belle Andrews by Billy Andrews.
George A. Graves, br g Bronson by Bingen, dam Myrtle R. by Monaco.
F. L. McQuilty, b g John Mack by Geo. A. Fuller, dam Ida Purple by Cuting.
E. B. Oates, b s Nathan Axworthy by Axworthy, dam Bertha Bennett by Prodigal.
Edward Peterson, b g Tom Smith by Greenroi, dam Specks by Conrad.
W. H. McCarthy, b g Parcliffe by Stormcliffe, dam Parla by Parole.

2:06 Class Pacing—$2,000.

C. A. Valentine, blk m Beth Clark by Joe Patchen, dam Ocean Chimes by Shadow Chimes.
W. L. Snow, Agent, blk m Lelia Patchen by Dan's Brother, dam Jessie Stanley by Indianapolis Jr.
W. B. Barefoot, b s Single G. by Anderson Wilkes, dam Little Gyp by Shoo Fly Gyp.
Walter Cox, b s Baron A. by Baron Medium, dam Elcara.
A. McDonald, br g Rastus by Liberty Boy, dam Georgia Rose by Grants Abdallah.
A. F. Ruthven, blk s Walnut Grove by Constantine, dam Lindis by Jackdaw; br m Rose Equity by Equity 6866, dam Anna Rose by Orphan Knight.
T. W. Murphy, b g Major Ong by Major Gantz, dam Bessie J. by Iowa Sentinel; b s Peter Farren by Peter the Great, dam Nellie Farren by Jay Bird; r g Hal S. by Hal Chaffin, dam Bessie Hal by Red Hal.
W. P. Leech & A. G. Ireland, b h Dr. Burns Jr. by Dr. Burns, dam Topsy by Jessie Pennington (time allowance claimed).
J. B. Jones, b h Our Colonel by Col. Cochran, dam Berene by Bernal (time allowance claimed).

2:10 Class Pacing—$2,000.

C. A. Valentine, blk s Judge Ormonde by Ormonde, dam Hazel Banks by Sirliss.
W. L. Snow, Agent, blk s Thistle Patch by Joe Patchen, dam Sarah Ann by Thistle.
H. H. Stokes, blk g Patrick M. by Norbells, dam by Gamester.
Walter Cox, b g B. M. by Reardale; b s Aconite by Aquilin, dam Mattie S. Wilkes by Simmons.
S. S. Bailey, b g O. U. C. by C. The Limit, dam Rosie Woodburn by Guy Wilkes.
E. J. Rochon, b h The Beaver by Searchlight, dam Ripple by Glenbrook.
A. F. Ruthven, blk s Walnut Grove by Constantine, dam Lindis by Jackdaw.
E. F. Geers, br c Hal Plex E. by Empire Hal, dam by Duplex.
T. W. Murphy, b g Major Ong by Major Gantz, dam Bessie J. by Iowa Sentinel; b s Dustless McKinney by McKinney, dam Dustless Queen by Mamb. King; b s Peter Farren by Peter the Great, dam Nellie Farren by Jay Bird.
Ellis Franks, b s Russell Boy by Rustic Patenter, dam Maud F. by Vatican.
Nat Ray, b s Tredel by Tregantle, dam Delchalence by Delmarch.



DR. BURNS JR. 2:04¼
The leader of the eastern invaders and his trainer, Al Whitney, at Los Angeles.

Maplewood Farm, blk m Anna Carll by Arbitrage, dam Corosis by Orotorio.
A. S. Rodney, b g Lustrous McKinney by McKinney, dam Splendor by Mamb. Startle.
Bergen Horse Co., ch g Ashlook by Ashland A., dam Miss Look by Drestell.
Edward Peterson, b g Hal Boy by Hal B., dam Altalena by Altamont.

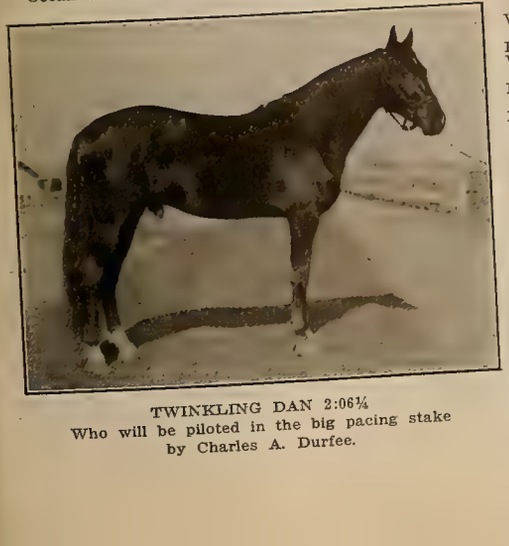
2:14 Class Pacing—$2,000.

C. A. Valentine, gr m Altawood by Allenwood, dam by Alcyon.
G. R. Snedeker, b s Colonel Echo by Echo Todd.
W. L. Snow, Agent, b s Bingen Pointer by King Bingen.
Walter Cox, br m Camelia by Cummer, dam Veta S. by Sidney Prince. (Time allowance claimed.)
S. S. Bailey, b g O. U. C. by C. The Limit, dam Rosie Woodburn by Guy Wilkes.
E. F. Geers, br g Budd Elliott by Prodigal, dam by son of Harold.
T. W. Murphy, b g Peter L. by Como; ch s Derby Custer by Ed. Custer, dam Princess Derby by Chas. Derby; ro g Hal S. by Hal Chaffin, dam Bessie Hal by Red Hal; b m Jean by Flosco.
W. L. Eaton & G. B. Daley, b s Ben Locanda by Locanda, dam Emma T.
D. F. Keefe, Agent, b g Kid Downey.
W. T. Crozier, br s John A. P. by Bingen, dam Lady Margaretta by Alliewood.
Maplewood Farm, b m Baby Bertha by Silk Cord, dam Bertha Derby by Radium Silk.
M. L. Smith, blk s Madison Square by Walnut Hall, dam Sister Min by Moko.

Another matinee of six races will be held Sunday at the exposition track.

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Philip C. Byrne, one of the well known members of California's older generation of horsemen, died some days ago at Bakersfield in a stall at the track there, having been taken suddenly ill at the conclusion of the second heat of a matinee race in which he was a participant. Mr. Byrne in years gone by was editor of the Dutch Flat Times, later serving as deputy sheriff and eventually getting into the trotting horse business, of which he was a loyal supporter. At the time of his death he was the owner of the stallion Scott McKinney, and throughout the winter and spring had maintained a training stable at Hanford.



TWINKLING DAN 2:06¼
Who will be piloted in the big pacing stake by Charles A. Durfee.



BABY DOLL 2:10¼
I. L. Borden's substitute for Albaloma 2:08¼ in the $20,000 stake for 2:10 trotters.

SILVER CUP FOR NORTHWESTERN CLASSIC.

A silver loving cup for the two-year-old colt or filly that wins at the state fair this fall is offered by C. A. Harrison, Seattle horse owner and fancier, according to a letter received yesterday morning by secretary of the fair, Frank Meredith. The only condition imposed by donor is that the horse should be foaled, bred, raised and trained on the North Pacific circuit. The cup is to be known as the C. A. Harrison cup.

"Mr. Harrison is a great horse lover, and wants to see the best of them perpetuated," said Mr. Meredith yesterday, after receiving Mr. Harrison's letter. "He is himself a horse owner, and his letter to me declares that he is especially enthusiastic on the subject of colt raising. It is the voluntary things like these that make the life of the fair secretary easier to travel."

Mr. Harrison is the manager of the New Richmond hotel in Seattle.—Yakima Morning Herald.

Horsemen finding themselves in need of more paraphernalia for getting their horses safely around the short turn at the P.-P. I. E. will find a full line of Sell goods at J. David West's, 1267 Golden Gate Ave. Mr. West has catalog Number 58, the new one, ready for distribution to applicants.

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Mr. and Mrs. Thomas D. Newton of Detroit were among the passengers aboard the Finland from New York to San Diego, arriving at the southern exposition city some days ago and making their way leisurely to San Francisco, where they are enjoying the exposition to the uttermost. Mr. Newton, as ex-president of the Michigan State Fair and present owner of the fast pacers Grand Marshall 2:07¾ and Thistle Patch, the lad that was second to King Couchman in last year's C. of C. at Detroit, finds the speed barns and the track a great "drawing combination," and has renewed many former acquaintances among the horsemen gathered here for the summer maneuvers.

Panama-Pacific International Exposition RACE MEETINGS 1915

Summer Meeting
JUNE 5th to 19th INCLUSIVE 11 DAYS

Fall Meeting
OCT. 30th to NOV. 13th INCL. 13 DAYS

Stakes to Close June 1st, 1915

SUMMER MEETING

No. 2.	2:07	Class Pacing	$ 2500
No. 6.	2:13	Class Trotting	1000
No. 17.	2:10	Class Trotting	20,000
No. 24.	2:13	Class Pacing	1000
No. 27.	2:17	Class Trotting	1000
No. 32.	Free For All	Class Trotting	2500
No. 33.	2:06	Class Pacing	20,000

FALL MEETING

No. 2.	2:10	Class Trotting	$20,000
No. 7.	2:12	Class Trotting	1250
No. 15.	2:10	Class Pacing	1250
No. 20.	2:07	Class Pacing	1500
No. 29.	Free For All	Class Pacing	2500
No. 37.	Free For All	Class Trotting	2500
No. 39.	2:06	Class Pacing	20,000

F. W. KELLEY, Secretary
EXPOSITION GROUNDS, SAN FRANCISCO

Initial Matinee Is an Unqualified Success

All doubt as to the popularity of harness horse racing with the exposition crowds was dispelled Sunday afternoon when, in spite of lowering skies that promised a bit of rainfall—a promise which was duly to be fulfilled—a crowd considerably in excess of the two twousand mark made its way to the race track at the exposition to witness the opening matinee of the San Francisco-California Driving Club. All morning there was a good crowd of devotees of the sport on hand to watch the warming up of various candidates for the day's honors and the workouts of numerous other horses due to make their appearance in professional company during the June trots, and shortly after noon the turnstiles began clicking away as the two-bit pieces rattled into the gatemen's strong boxes and the crowd began gathering in the big grand stand.

In any ordinary amphitheatre the spectators would have made a big showing, and as it was they filled several sections of the big P.-P. I. E. stand, with its seating capacity of over thirty thousand, the topmost tiers of the sections near the wire finding as much favor as did the chairs in the lower boxes. In fact, "climbing a little higher" merely adds to the general enjoyment of a visit at the P.-P. I. E. track, as no matter how high your fancy dictates that you go the horses are always right under your eyes, and each succeeding rising tier of seats adds so much in the way of a vantage point for viewing the matchless panorama of San Francisco bay and its bordering hills, from "the gate" to the crest of the coast range rising far away to the eastward above the heights of Berkeley. Never was a track constructed in such a wonderfully beautiful location from a scenic viewpoint, and at no mile track in the land is afforded a finer view of the track itself and the fields of racing horses. Nor, by the same token, have there been laid many speedways where the footing was as fast and safe, for new dirt, as is the course provided by the executives of the P.-P. I. E.

The crowd was a good natured one, composed pretty largely of folks who know horse racing when they see it—and who also knew the horses and their drivers, though many strangers were in evidence as well. Stadium standbys were on deck in generous numbers and their favorite horses and drivers of former seasons were given hearty greetings when they appeared, while horsemen from Sacramento, Marysville, Woodland, Pleasanton, San Jose, Los Angeles and numerous other outlying points met and "swapped notes" on training operations and indulged in the ever-cherished pastime of the lovers of man's next and nearest friend, conjecture as to future winners and the time to be made. Not long did it require for most of the "wise ones" present to learn that grand old Effie Logan had been since the day before the dam of four performers in 2:07¼ or better, or that Joe Patchen II had gone the route at Pleasanton in better than 2:05 with his old pilot, Billy Fleming, at the helm. A nicer gathering, for the opening of the season, could hardly have been made to order.

Early in the afternoon, with the crowd still gathering, Starter Dwyer called the 2:30 trotters, and after a false score or so the word was given and the racing season of 1915 was really on. Joe McTigue, with his big brown trotter Darby Mac, opened up a good lead in the early portion of the mile, but could not stave off the rush of Valeen M. in the stretch, Ernest Doyle winning handily with the former member of Marvin Childs' stable. The second heat was a race from wire to wire between the same pair, Joe and Darby contesting every foot of the way and putting up a finish that brought as much applause as if the mile had been many seconds faster, Ernie and Valeen again proving just a little too much for them.

The 2:15 pace brought out a pretty well matched quartette of Stadium favorites—Bradmont, Hamburg Belle, May Belle Dillon and Delilah. The Cohen mare broke before getting out of the stretch and the other three gained a good bit of ground on her. Delilah led the way to the wire, with Hamburg Belle second, but a protest on the part of T. D. Sexton, who had the mount behind Bradmont, was sustained by the judges after a bit of consideration and the heat was awarded to the Ginocchio mare. Hamburg Belle and Delilah went up to the half in the lead the second time out, with Bradmont trailing, Sexton coming through in the stretch for a nice win in 2:13½. In the third heat Cohen went to the front before getting out of the straight, but the black mare broke in the third eighth, everything passing her. In spite of her jimmy she responded to a good drive in the stretch and finished a fairly close second to the Bradmont horse, who paced a consistent, well behaved race all the way through. Any one of this four can be counted on to race not far from ten in the not far distant future, from Sunday's indications.

With the 2:15 sidewheelers going better than fourteen it was an odds-on spec that the free-for-allers would ramble along below ten, and on this score no one was disappointed. Teddy Bear was accorded a whole lot of respect owing to his earlier showing at Sacramento and Dixon, and Silva had many well-wishers in the crowd; Zulu Bell had worked the exposition track two or three times in merely fractions slower than nine; Vera Hal can always be depended upon for a contest, and Dick W., with a new pilot and not an enviable record of late for first-class behavior, was properly given the least consideration. Vera Hal was scarcely settled from a break in the stretch when the field got the word, A. Ottinger—the A. standing for Adolph or Admiral as you choose—going away good with the Belle and scurrying to the quarter in :32¼. Cohen set sail down the flat and collared the black mare at the half in 1:03¾, taking the lead around the turn. At the head of the lane Silva was coming fast and found himself out in front at the wire in 2:08, Vera Hal breaking in the stretch. Going away in the second heat the three contenders were nicely lined, with Sexton trailing, Zulu going to the front on the turn, Vera again moving up in the back stretch and Teddy comfortably moving along in Zulu's wake. At the three-quarters Silva took out into third position and again outfooted his opponents to the stand in 2:08, a mighty nice showing for an amateur at this season of the year.

Jimmy Ryan, still carrying a bad leg from his tumble at the Stadium last year, was on deck to see his Irish trotter, St. Patrick, deliver the goods in the free-for-all trot after two nice drives at the hands of Freddy Lauterwasser. Pat really is a cosmopolitan, as he was owned successively by a German, an Irishman and another Irishman, has had some experience in a roundabout way with Belgians, is trained at present by Al Schwartz, was driven Sunday by Lauterwasser and was timed and judged by members of diverse nationalities. However "they are all good American names," but at that the big trotter doesn't seem to be a genuine neutral, as he has a hankering for beating folks that makes him a rabid partisan. He won the first heat nicely after Birdeye had set the pace for a good part of the way, and landed the second after displaying a handy turn of speed in the stretch. Graham Bellini acted like a horse that would "do" with a few more races under his belt.

Wm. Tell, driven by "Shorty" (alias Richard) Roberts indulged in a runaway break while scoring for the first heat of the 2:20 pace, and was given scant consideration by the starter when the field did get the word, settling, however, in time to make up considerable ground and finish well inside the flag, Zorankin going to the front down the back stretch and never being headed. Jack, who was evidently feeling the effects of a mishap early in the afternoon, was not strung out extensively by McDonald and the judges allowed his withdrawal, while Billy Malough and Emma M. were always trying. Showers interfered with the latter portion of the day's program, Zorankin's teamster refusing to finish the race and indulging in a rather uncalled for performance, the balance of the field going another heat without any apparent grave consequences to either men or horses. William Tell was on his good behavior the second time out and at once stepped to the front and stayed there, the judges declaring the race finished and making the award of the cup to Roberts.

Owing to the rain the 2:25 pace was made a mile dash, Golden Buck cutting out the pace with Marie Fitzsimmons and Marin hanging right with him to the half, where the Idaho mare went to the front. Until well down the stretch it was a three-horse race, but Buck went off his feet and the northern lass outfooted Marin to the wire by just a comfortable margin.

Early in the afternoon Millard Sanders sent Barney Oldfield, the guideless pacer, a nice half in 1:04½, the chestnut fellow operating on the strange track as unconcernedly as though he had been there often before, only one incident showing his unfamiliarity with the surroundings. He has been getting most of his work on the small ring at Pleasanton, and after starting on the back stretch at the exposition course evidently had it in his head that a full route was required of him as usual, dodging past his caretaker and cutting back into the pole for another mile. The crowd gave him a hearty hail and farewell and enjoyed the feature very much. Here are the day's details:

2:30 Trot—T. D. Sexton Cup.

Valeen M. (E. M. Doyle)	(Doyle)	1	1
Darby Mac (Jos. W. McTigue)	(McTigue)	2	2
G. M. S. (D. E. Hoffman)		3	3
Jonesie Mac (D. E. Hoffman)	(Hoffman)	4	4

Time—2:26½, 2:26½.

2:15 Pace—J. P. McLaughlin Cup.

Bradmont (G. J. Giannini)	(Sexton)	2	1 1
Hamburg Belle (J. Ginocchio)	(Smith)	1	3 3
May Belle Dillon (B. Cohen)	(Cohen)	3	4 2
Delilah (Jack Welsh)	(Lauterwasser)	4	2 4

Time—2:13¼, 2:13½, 2:16.

Free-for-all Pace—L. E. Clawson Co. Cup.

Teddy Bear (Chas. F. Silva)	(Silva)	1	1
Zulu Belle (A. Ottinger)	(Ottinger)	2	2
Vera Hal (H. Cohen)	(Cohen)	3	3
Dick W. (A. Ottinger)	(Sexton)	4	4

Time—2:08, 2:08.

Free-for-all Trot—Jack Welsh Cup.

Saint Patrick (J. J. Ryan)	(Lauterwasser)	1	1
Eloise Dell (Chas. F. Silva)	(Silva)	2	2
Graham Bellini (G. J. Giannini)	(Sexton)	3	3
Birdeye (A. Combatalade)	(Cambatalade)	4	4
Ateka (Boyle & Cohen)	(Boyle)	5	5

Time—2:16, 2:16.

2:20 Pace—A. L. Hoffman Cup.

Wm. Tell (Richard Roberts)	(Roberts)	5	1
King Pointer (H. Campodonico)	(Campodonico)	2	2
Emma M. (Wm. Malough)	(Malough)	3	3
Jack (McDonnell & Conlon)	(McDonald)	4	dr
Zorankin (Boyle & Co.)	(Boyle)	1	dr

Time—2:17¼, 2:20½.

2:25 Pace—Harold Cohen Cup.

Marie Fitzsimmons (J. W. Swank)	(Swank)	1
Marin (P. F. Kane)	(Kane)	2
Golden Buck (W. G. Walkup)	(Walkup)	3
J. V. (J. Vermont)	(Vermont)	4
Bessie Barindo (D. E. Hoffman)	(Hoffman)	ds

Time—2:22.

Special—Guideless Pace—S. Christenson Cup.

Barney Oldfield (Millard Sanders)	

Time (half mile) 1:04½.

KANSAS SETS PACE WITH FREE STATE FAIR.

Topeka, Kan., May 20.—The first free State Fair to be held in the United States will be held in Topeka next September by the Kansas State Fair Association.

Topeka and Shawnee county have just voted a special tax levy with which to pay the Fair premiums and this enables the Fair Association to announce that the general admission gate will be thrown open for the entire week.

The tax levy will give the Fair Association a total subsidy of $27,000, which will be ample to pay all premiums in the various departments. It is believed that the free gate will double or treble both exhibits and attendance. The race premiums, as well as all other expenses not included in the premiums to be paid by the county, will be taken care of with funds secured from concessions, privileges, grand stand and other sources.

While the free fair will be an experiment, it is felt that its success is certain. Letters received when the proposition was first launched from leading live stock exhibitors, manufacturers and agriculturists in various parts of the country manifested deep interest in the project, and all indicated their purpose of becoming exhibitors in case the fair was made free. Leading fair men also took a lively interest.

The fair grounds are centrally located in the city of Topeka only six blocks from the State House. They cover 78 acres and represent an investment of $325,000. The property is owned by the county. Four years ago the county voted $50,000 worth of bonds for improvements and the business men of the city contributed $45,000 more. A number of new buildings were added and much general improvement made.

The Topeka fair is one of the oldest in the west although in one of the comparatively new states. It was begun some thirty years ago and with one or two exceptions has never missed an exhibition.

NO PLEASANTON FAIR THIS YEAR.

At a meeting of the directors of the fair association held at the association's building in the driving park on last Saturday it was definitely decided to hold no fair in Pleasanton this year. The local association has simply followed the example of nearly every fair district in California in this step. Without exception, those who have taken definite steps thus far have decided to do away with the fairs this year. This includes even the state fair. It is a foregone conclusion that any fair attempting to hold a meeting this year would have little or no exhibits as the best of everything has been collected for the big show in San Francisco and there is little left in the country districts with which to make a display. While Mr. MacKenzie has not given his consent to doing away with the show on the local grounds this year, the association is reasonably assured that he will do so and that he will not demand that an exhibition be held simply to hold the lease which the association has with him.

An assessment of $10 a share was levied on all outstanding stock to pay indebtedness.—Pleasanton Times.

ROY JOHNSTON'S DILEMMA.

The individual who said that trotting speed and pacing speed are so closely allied and interwoven that either one will produce the other, certainly rang the little bell by plunking the bull'seye squarely in the middle of the center. Roy Johnston bred and developed the pacer Strathtell 2:14¼ and did so good a job at it that it was the most natural thing in the world to try it again. Also, he went about it in the most practical and logical manner by breeding the same dam, who, by the way, is a daughter of Strathberry p. 2:04¼, to that famous old pacer, Charles Simmons 2:07¼. Certainly this looked to be the winning combination, both sire and dam fast pacers themselves. The result of the mating is a beautiful chestnut colt, now two years old, a fine, husky, upstanding youngster, as handsome as one can see in many a day's travel. But listen! He is as square and pure a trotter as ever wore a toe-weight! And another colt, a year younger, out of the same dam and by Iowa Todd p. 2:04¾, is likewise a trotter. What do you know about this breeding business anyway?—Horse Review Correspondent.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

A NEW NATIONAL MATCH.

The civilian rifle shooters are to have a competi-on of their own, the Assistant Secretary of War aving approved of a national competition to be held nnually for civilian rifle club teams to determine he club championship of the United States, the hooting to be done with the military rifle over mili-ary ranges at military targets. Designs are being ubmitted to the War Department by prominent rophy makers of the country and every indication oints to a very handsome prize which will be worth triving for. Instead of making this competition a eries of interclub matches the same as the indoor hoot, it was decided by the Executive Committee f the National Rifle Association of America, under whose auspices the competition will be run, to have ne match, to be shot simultaneously by the club eams all over the country. A period of several weeks will be designated in which the official scores can be shot so that a club can select a day when weather conditions are good and no club will be handicapped on account of weather conditions, as would happen if only one day was selected. The shooting will be done under an executive officer and range officer appointed by the N. R. A. and official targets and score cards for this purpose will be issued by the N. R. A.

The conditions of the match will be as follows: Each civilian rifle club affiliated with the N. R. A. and in good standing can enter one team, the team to be composed of ten members of the club who have been members for six months preceding the match.

Distance and number of shots—200 and 300 yards rapid fire on Target D, using the battle sight. Ten shots at each range.

Time limit and position—200 yards, kneeling from standing, time limit 1½ minutes. 300 yards prone from standing, time limit 2 minutes. Two sighting shots and 10 shots for record at 300, 500 and 600 yards, slow fire. Target A at 300 yards; Target B at 500 and 600 yards. Sand bag or other rest can be used at 600 yards.

Entrance fee, per team, $5.00.

Prizes.—A set of ten silver medals will be given to the winning team and a set of ten bronze medals to the winning team in each of the lower classes. To determine the classes, all clubs at the close of the competition will be divided into classes of ten or twelve clubs and the medals awarded accordingly. The standing of all clubs will be decided by their aggregate score, ties being figured in accordance with the N. R. A. rules, and the way this will work out is as follows:

One advantage in making the conditions of the match the same as the firing course laid down for rifle clubs is that scores made by team members in the match may be counted for qualification if desired.

If thirty clubs enter the competition the club standing No. 11 in order of scoring will be the winner in the second class and the club standing No. 21 will be the winner of the third class. This will bring an element of uncertainty as to prize winners in the competition which will make it more interesting. It is possible that special medals will be given for the highest individual aggregate for all the matches and the highest individual score for rapid fire and slow fire. With nearly 500 clubs now on the N. R. A. roll this should be one of the most important shooting competitions of the year and should have an entry of not less than fifty clubs for the first competition. It is proposed to hold the competition during the month of July and entries can be made at any time up to the first of July.

Rifle and Ammunition.—The service rifle model 1898 or 1903, with service ammunition, will be used. Reloaded ammunition can be used provided the bullet is so seated that it can be worked through the magazine. The "Krag" ammunition issued by the Ordnance Department to clubs may be used in this competition.

Plans for the National shooting competition for 1915 are materializing. Under the present state of the public mind and the almost universal demand for better national defense and some form of training of our citizens, this year's shooting competitions have more than usual interest. Attention has been called in the public press to the lack of proper training with the service rifle in this country. Records have shown that not more than 40 per cent of the National Guard was taken to the rifle range during the year 1914. Congress established the national matches solely with a view of increasing rifle training among Uncle Sam's services. Owing to the unusual condition of affairs this year, undoubtedly the matches will be more generally attended than ever before as States are brought to the realization of the importance of this training. It is probable that there will not be a State in the Union that will not be represented in the 1915 matches. Even West Virginia, whose appropriation for the maintenance of the National Guard was omitted this year, has declared its intention of finding some way of sending a team to Florida where these national matches are to be held. Congress at the last session still further gave its approval and assistance to rifle teams by appropriating $50,000 to assist States which have to send teams from long distances in paying transportation charges so that such States as Washington, Oregon and Maine will not be handicapped this year in the sending of rifle teams to Florida.

The range in Florida, where the matches of 1915 are to be shot, is the second largest in the United States in point of target facilities, it being outranked only by the Camp Perry, Ohio, range, and it is second in point of attractiveness and salubrious location, being led only by the famous Sea Girt, N. J., range, which is located on the Atlantic seaboard. The Florida range is only eight miles from Jacksonville, with which it has direct communication by both railroad and steamboat services on the St. Johns river. Railroads serving the Florida shoot have announced a special rate which will also be of great help towards a large attendance. This is the first time in five years that special rates have been granted.

The Executive Officer for the matches is Col. Richard M. Blatchford, U. S. A., Commandant of the Army School of Musketry at Fort Sill, Okla. The teams to represent the cavalry and infantry of the U. S. Army have not yet been organized nor have the captains been appointed. It is rumored that the infantry team will be captained by Maj. Geo. C. Shaw, U. S. A., who is now on his way back from the Philippines. A team representing the Naval Academy will be sent to the national matches again this year and efforts will be made to overcome the prejudice of the officials of the Military Academy at West Point to again be represented by a rifle team. Only in one national match has a team from the Military Academy participated. As is customary, the organization and control of the matches, as well as those of the National Rifle Association of America, which will precede the national matches, will be in the hands of the regular army, and soldiers will be sent to pitch the camp and do the marking. The scoring will be done by a special company of marines, thus insuring the highest standard of services for this important duty.

Very few changes have been made in the conditions of this year's matches. A course consisting of 200 and 300 yards rapid fire, ten shots at each range and 300, 600 and 1000 yards, slow fire, 15 shots at each range, has been adopted. Every team must have on it at least six new men, and all State teams must be selected by preliminary contests held on State ranges. The service rifle and ammunition as issued by the Ordnance Department will be used by all teams. The matches will begin the morning of October 18 with the National Individual Match, to be followed by the Team Match and the National Pistol Match; October 15 and 16 are designated for the preliminary team practice. The six days preceding this or from October 8 to 14, will be held the matches of the National Rifle Association of America. For the first time the National matches will be thrown open to entry of teams from universities and colleges maintaining military instruction and military schools schools and academies.

THE SOUTHERN HANDICAP TOURNAMENT.

[Special Report.]

The Interstate Association's tenth Southern Handicap Tournament was held at Memphis, Tennessee, May 11, 12 and 13, under the auspices of the Memphis Gun Club. It was one of the best tournaments ever given south of the Mason-Dixon line, and was a success in every way. It far exceeded anything expected by the members of The Interstate Association and the Memphis Gun Club. States as far west as Colorado and as far east as Delaware were represented. Something like 170 different trapshooters took part, among them being three previous winners of the Southern Handicap, namely, C. G. Spencer, St. Louis, Mo.; Geo. L. Lyon, Durham, N. C., and S. L. Dodds, Hickman, Ky. H. N. Bellinger, president, A. H. Campbell, vice-president, and Ed. Crook, secretary, of the Memphis Gun Club had attended to all preparatory arrangements and everything during the week moved without a hitch.

The Handicap Committee was composed of A. H. Campbell, Memphis, Tenn., J. W. Bell, St. Louis, Mo., G. M. L. Key, Meridian, Miss., Geo. W. Clements, Little Rock, Ark., and H. N. Bellinger, Memphis, Tenn.

Practice Day, Monday, May 10.—The field that gathered practice day was a most brilliant one, the stars entered representing men who have taken titles ranging from the national amateur champion down to some half-dozen or more State champions. It was stated that the 97 entrants on practice day, in five 20-bird events, marked the largest crowd ever competing on inaugural day at a Southern trapshooting tournament.

Charles G. Spencer, who won the Southern Handicap when that feature was open to pros and amateurs, was the highest among these honor men, with 96.

The 90% and better men were: Woolfolk Henderson 97, A. B. Richardson (Dover, Del.) 97, Chester C. Hawkins (Memphis) 96, J. H. Noel (Nashville) 96, R. A. King (Delta, Col.) 96, George Lyon (Durham, N. C.) 96, G. M. F. Key (Meriden, Miss.) 94, J. B. Duncan 94, Bart Williams (winner of Mississippi championship 1914) 94, G. B. Crag 93, M. F. George 93, A. C. Conner 92, J. W. Bell 92, W. H. Cochran 92, Sam Huntley 91, W. H. Joyner 91, G. L. Dearing 91, B. F. Duncan 90, F. F. Fleming 90, Dr. W. L. Henderson 90.

The high "pros" were: W. D. Gibbs 98, Homer Clark 97, W. R. Crosby 96, C. G. Spencer 96, T. H. Fox 95, Ed. Banks 94, C. E. Goodrich 94, Fred Bills 93, T. A. Marshall 92, Walter Huff 92, J. R. Hinkle 91, R. W. Clancy 91, H. J. Donnelly 91, Geo. Maxwell 90.

The "Little Joker" trap was an added attraction and gave the contestants an opportunity to try their skill between events. This trap furnished much amusement and always attracted a large gallery of spectators.

First Day, Tuesday, May 11.—Although hampered to such an extent by rain that the double target event had to be postponed, a field of 141 faced the traps on the opening day of the tournament. The card was ten 15 bird events.

Geo. L. Lyon was the leader, breaking 147 out of a possible 150 targets. He was given a hard run by S. A. Huntley of Omaha, Neb., who finished second with one target less.

Charles G. Spencer, professional, was third with 145, while A. B. Richardson, who tied with Woolfolk Henderson, Monday, for high amateur, was fourth with six missed. Ties then came into play which were carried down to very nearly the last man of the field. It was generally agreed that the day was one of the closest for competition ever witnessed so early in the tourney. Scores were phenomenal, Lyon's being considered somewhat in the nature of a record under existing conditions. Showers started during the morning and continued with short letups until along toward the late afternoon, when the downpour became steady and very nearly reached the point where further sport was impossible.

John Noel, of Nashville, was fourth, with 143. Charley Spencer led the "pros" with 145; "Jack" Gibbs* and J. R. Hinkle* were second, with 143; Geo. Maxwell* and T. H. Fox, third, with 142, and W. R. Crosby* fourth, with 141. Those with 90 per cent and better were: A. J. Hill and J. N. Knox, 142; Woolfolk Henderson and J. T. Austin, 141; A. C. Connor, Fred King and R. W. Clancy*, 140; H. Clark, Walter Huff*, E. Caldwell, T. Cassity and J. K. Warren, 139; W. H. Cochrane, J. B. West, W. Williams, J. R. Livingston, Tom Marshall*, J. B. Snowden, 138; J. Bell and Dr. W. L. Henderson, 137; J. T. Chipley, L. J. Robinson, 136; Bart Williams, Fred Bills*, Ira Galbraith, J. C. Wright, B. Finley and J. S. O'Sullivan, 135.

The best long runs were: A. B. Richardson 113, G. L. Dearing 88, R. A. King 74, Woolfolk Henderson and J. B. West 67 each, J. H. Noel 52, J. N. Knox 51.

Second Day, Wednesday, May 12.—Shooting a wee bit erratic, yet in such good form that he outfinished a field of classy amateurs, J. I. Chipley, of Greenwood, S. C., 18 yards, broke 92 of a possible 100 targets in the Preliminary Handicap and took first honors for the day. He was second only to Walter Huff, trade representative, who shot from the 21-yard mark and scored 93.

Chipley, while a veteran in the game and recognized as an able shooter, had never won a big event of importance. Old enthusiasts recall that he attended many meetings and always placed well up in the money, but today's laurels were about his best. In winning the trophy and first money prize, the South Carolinian displaced over a dozen favorites, including Woolfolk Henderson, S. A. Huntley, A. B. Richardson, George L. Lyon, and other seasoned trapshooters.

Chipley, who was shooting from the 18-yard mark, started fairly well with 18 of his first 20, but slumped to such an extent that when he recorded 16 in his next event the outlook appeared pretty blue. A 20 and two 19's followed in order.

Seven contestants, breaking 91, tied for second and third moneys and trophies. J. T. Austin, Monroe, La., won second trophy, in the 20-target shoot-off, losing one. Isaac Andrews, of Spartansburg, S. C., when he broke 18, displaced the remaining contestants and took third trophy. The money, following an agreement between the men before the shooting, was evenly divided. Those in addition to Austin and Andrews, who were in this tie were Bart Williams, S. L. Dodds, W. F. Henderson, E. R. Tansil, and Andy Meaders. Meaders did not compete in the last 20, leaving before the shoot-off was held.

Interest in the afternoon for the better part centered around the squad in which Woolfolk Henderson, Huntley, Richardson, King and Lyon were shooting. One of the largest galleries of the week walked from trap to trap as this quintette started down the line. Lyon was liked by many as the winner of the event, but when he dropped nine targets in the first 20 and immediately followed this with eight lost in the next event all hopes were given up. He finished with a 78. Richardson, though shooting with apparently all the confidence in the world and in an easy manner, did not score better than 18 in any of the five 20's. King, 22 yards, could not better this.

Huntley started fairly well when he scored two 18's, but losing three in the third event and two on the last placed him with no better than a total of 90. Henderson's 16 at the outset badly impaired his chances. These five men were, with the exception of King, on the 23-yard mark. All told, 117 faced the traps in the preliminary. Scores ranged from the winning 92, for an amateur, and Huff's 93, down to 58. Nearly 75 per cent of the field finished with scores of 80 or above.

In the forenoon events, S. A. Huntley and A. B. Richardson were high amateurs, with 98 breaks; C. C. Hawkins came second, with 96; J. A. Blunt, Geo. Lyon, J. N. Knox and Woolfolk Henderson were third with 95, and H. N. Bellinger, B. H. Finley, Chas. Green, J. Canale and J. W. Bell, fourth, with 94. The professionals: C. G. Spencer, first, 98; Geo. Maxwell and T. H. Fox, second, 97; W. R. Crosby and Homer Clark, third, 96, and H. D. Gibbs, fourth, 95; Walter Huff and Tom Marshall, 94. Others with 90 per cent and better were E. Caldwell, A. J. Hill, J. Noel and R. W. Clancy, 93 each; R. L. Chesshire, T. Cassity, J. K. Warren, 92; Walter Williams, J. A. Chipley, C. O. LeCompte, S. L. Dodds, O. Williams, A. H. Campbell, C. M. Farrell, G. M. L. Key, J. R. Livingston, C. E. Goodrich, J. A. Anderson, 91; E. G. Hardy, L. J. Robinson, J. B. Snowden, Bart Williams, C. C. Wheeler, G. L. Dearing, Andy Meaders, J. R. Hinkle*, Guy V. Dering, R. A. King and Fred Bills*, 90.

Third Day, Thursday, May 13.—Fine weather, a clear sky and practically no wind had much to do with the high scores made the third day. The crowd, which had been increasing every day, was larger than at any other time during the tournament, many of the spectators being of the fair sex, who took a keen interest in the competition.

Among the amateurs, in the regular events of five 20-target races, A. B. Richardson was first with a score of 100 straight, followed by Dr. W. L. Henderson and Woolfolk Henderson with 99; S. A. Huntley 98; W. H. Cochrane and J. H. Noel 97; J. R. Duncan and J. R. Livingston 96. Among the professionals J. R. Hinkle, George Maxwell, Homer Clark, H. D. Gibbs and C. G. Spencer were in first place with 99, followed by Ed. Banks and T. A. Marshall with 96 and H. J. Donnelly and E. M. Daniel with 95. T. H. Fox, Fred Bills, 94.

Promptly at 1:15 o'clock Mr. Shaner called up the first squad for the Southern Handicap, the main event of the program. There were 149 entrants, of which number 3 forfeited. W. H. Cochrane, of Bristol, Tennessee, who broke 97 out of his 100 targets, his handicap being 19 yards, was the winner. Mr. Cochrane won the first trophy and the first money prize without having to shoot off any tie. George L. Lyon, who broke 95 from 23 yards, won the second trophy and second money prize without a tie. J. A. Hardy, 16 yards, J. B. Duncan, 18 yards, and J. B. Snowden, 18 yards, tied on 94 for the third trophy and shot off at 20 targets. Snowden won with 18 to Hardy's 17 and Duncan's 16.

The handsome trophy presented by the Board of Trade of Columbus, Georgia, was won by S. A. Huntley, who broke 523 out of the 550 targets on the program for the three days, made up of the 350 from 16 yards and 200 shot in the handicaps. This trophy was presented by the Columbus Board of Trade to be competed for at each succeeding Southern Handicap, the man winning it three times to become the owner of the cup. Mr. Huntley, therefore, becomes the holder of the trophy until next year's event.

The trophies were presented to the respective winners by Mr. Irby Bennett, ex-President of The Interstate Association, whose home is in Memphis. Mr. Bennett made an eloquent address and received a round of applause at its conclusion.

Southern Handicap Purse.—74 entries at $8.00, $592.00; 4 penalty entries at $13.00, $52.00; 1 penalty entry "for targets only," $5.00; 70 entries "for targets only"—149 entries, $649.00. Added to the purse, $200.00. Total purse, $849.00.

	Yds.	Bk.	A'mt		Yds.	Bk.	A'mt
Cochrane, W. H.	19	97	135.85	King, R. A.	22	92	24.05
Lyon, Geo. L.	23	95	118.85	Stratton, R. E.	22	92	24.05
Snowden, J. B.	18	94	79.25	Hughes, D.	17	92	24.05
Hardy, J. A.	16	94	79.25	Finley, B. H.	18	92	24.05
Duncan, J. B.	18	94	79.25	Williams, W.	18	91	2.40
Blunt, J. A.	19	93	48.80	Bell, J. W.	19	91	2.40
Knox, J. N.	21	93	48.80	Galbraith, Ira	19	91	2.40
Cheshire, R.	16	93	48.80	Meaders, A.	19	91	2.40
Van Ness, L. G.	16	93	48.80	Noel, J. H.	20	91	2.40
Austin, J. T.	20	92	24.05	Huntley, S. A.	23	91	2.40
Dering, G. V.	20	92	24.05	Rains, R. C.	18	91	2.40

Preliminary Handicap Purse.—76 entries at $5.00, $380.00; 5 penalty entries at $8.00, $40.00; 1 penalty entry for "targets only," $3.00; 35 entries for "targets only"—117 total entries, $423.00. Added to the purse, $100.00. Total purse, $523.00.

	Yds.	Bk.	A'mt		Yds.	Bk.	A'mt
Chipley, J. I.	18	91	78.45	Bellinger, H. N.	19	90	18.80
Austin, J. T.	19	91	42.60	Warren, J. K.	21	90	18.80
Rndrews, I.	16	91	42.60	Huntley, S. A.	23	90	18.80
Williams, Bart	18	91	42.60	Williams, W.	16	89	10.45
Henderson, W. L.	19	21	42.60	Dearing, G. L.	19	89	10.45
Tansil, E. R.	18	91	42.60	Cochrane, W. H.	19	89	10.45
Dodds, S. L.	18	91	42.60	Blunt, J. A.	19	89	10.45
Meaders, A.	19	91	42.60	Williams, C. P.	16	88	5.20
Deloney, I. C.	17	90	18.80	Henderson, W.	23	88	5.20
West, J. B.	18	90	18.80				

Squier Money-Back Purse.—50,000 targets at 1c each, $500.00; 108 entries first day at $1.00, $108.00; 92 entries second day at $1.00, $92.00; 89 entries third day at $1.00, $89.00—Total purse, $798.00. Losses paid back, $486.20. Surplus, $302.80.

Richardson, A. B.	342	$40.90	Warren, J. K.	324	8.05
Huntley, S. A.	342	40.90	Snowden, J. B.	323	3.00
Lyon, Geo. L.	335	30.30	Bellinger, H. N.	323	3.00
Henderson W.	335	30.30	Finley, B. H.	323	3.00
Noel, J. H.	333	24.25	Cochrane, W. H.	322	3.00
Knox, J. N.	332	21.20	Blunt, J. A.	321	3.00
Hill, A. J.	327	18.20	Canale, aJs.	321	3.00
Bell, J. W.	326	15.15	Caldwell, E.	319	1.00
Henderson, W. L.	323	10.60	Key, G. M. L.	310	1.00
Livingston, J. R.	325	10.60	West, J. B.	319	1.00
King, R. A.	324	8.05	Connor, A. C.	319	1.00
Williams, W.	324	8.05			

$5.00 optional sweep.—350 regular program targets, 3 days. 16 entries at $5.00—$80.00 purse:

A. B. Richardson 342 broke, $20.00; S. A. Huntley 342 broke, $20.00; Geo. L. Lyon 335 broke, $11.20; W. Henderson, 335 broke, $11.20; J. N. Knox, 332 broke, $9.60; R. A. King, 324 broke, $8.00.

Sweepstake Purses, May 11.—150 targets, $5.00 optional sweep. 23 entries at $5.00—$115.00 purse:

Geo. L. Lyon, 147 broke, $28.75; S. A. Huntley, 146 broke, $19.55; A. B. Richardson, 144 broke, $16.10; J. N. Knox, 142 broke, $12.65; W. Henderson, 141 broke, $10.35; J. T. Austin, 141 broke, $10.35; R. A. King, 140 broke, $6.90; J. K. Warren, 139 broke, $5.75; L. J. Robison, 136 broke, $4.60.

May 11.—$1.00 optional sweep. 28 entries in first five events, 15 birds at $1.00—$28.00; 26 entries in second five events at $1.00—$26.00. Event No. 1, 15's $5.45, 14's $1.00. No. 2, 15's $4.65; No. 3, 15's $4.65; No. 4, 15's $3.10; No. 5, 15's $3:10; No. 6, 15's $5.05, 14's 50c; No. 7, 15's $4.35; No. 8, 15's $2.85; No. 9, 15's, $4.65, 14's 40c; No. 10, 15's $5.05, 14's 60c.

May 12—100 targets—$5.00 optional sweep. 11 entries at $5.00—$55.00 purse:

A. B. Richardson, 98 broke, $16.50; J. N. Knox, 95 broke, $8.80; W. Henderson, 95 broke, $8.80; Geo. L. Lyon 95 broke, $8.80; H. N. Bellinger 94 broke, $6.60; R. A. King 90 broke, $5.50.

May 12—$1.00 optional sweep. 15 entries at $1.00—$15.00 in each event. No. 1, 20's $6.00, 19's $1.50; No. 2, 20's $3.75; No. 3, 20's $7.50, 19's 80c; No. 4, 20's $3.75, 19's $1.50; No. 5, 20's $5.00.

May 13.—100 targets—$5.00 optional sweep. 11 entries at $5.00—$55.00 purse:

A. B. Richardson 100 broke, $16.50; W. Henderson 99 broke, $11.00; S. A. Huntley 98 broke, $8.25; H. N. Bellinger 95 broke, $6.85; J. N. Knox 95 broke, $6.85; G. V. Dering 94 broke, $2.75; R. A. King 94 broke, $2.75.

May 13.—$1.00 optional sweep. 19 entries at $1.00—$10.00 in each event. No. 1, 20's $3.15; No. 2, 20's $7.60, 19's 40c; No. 3, 20's $2.35; No. 4, 20's $3.80; No. 5, 20's $3.15.

Jokelets.—The Little Joker Trap purse, May 10, 1915: Each 8 paid $37.10; each 7 paid $22.30; each 6 paid $14.85.

Purse May 11, 1915.—Each 10 paid $42.90; each 9 paid $27.50; each 7 paid $15.45.

Purse, May 12, 1915.—Each 10 paid $30.30; each 9 paid $18.95; each 8 paid $2.50.

At the Traps

Smashing Clays at Sea.—Trapshooting is as rapidly growing in favor as a sport with naval officers as it is among sportsmen on land. Nearly all battleships carry a trap and a supply of clay "birds," and officers practice when daily drills are over, shooting from the side of the ship. With the vessel under way the sport is attractive, even though the usual 16 yard rise cannot be had, as the wind and motion of the vessel compensate for the lack of distance of rise of the targets.

The Red Cross Gun Club of the Hospital Ship Solace had a 25 "bird" practice shooting en route to New York May 9, and the following scores were made: Surgeon Garton, 20; Surgeon Strine, 23; Paymaster Williams, 23; Surgeon Garrison, 15, and Surgeon M. E. Higgins, 22.

The sport is new to most of the club's members, as the club was only organized when the Solace joined the fleet at Guantanamo last February. A three-ma nteam defeated the team from the U. S. S. Florida during the stay in Cuban waters, but only by a close margin. The club challenges any navy team for a match at any time.

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Garden City Traps.—Dick Reed motored to San Jose to shoot with members of the San Jose Blue Rock Club. He tied with O. N. Ford for high gun of the day, breaking 93 out of a possible 100. Ada Schilling made 91 out of a possible 100. C. H. Nash won a Class A championship of Santa Clara county for the third time this year. Louis Baumgartner was in a class by himself in the doubles with 21 out of 12 pair. H. H. Clark jumped into second place in the Class C division.

Scores: O. N. Ford 93-100, R. C. Reed 93-100, Ada Schilling 91-100, C. H. Nash 90-100, R. C. Hogg 90-100, A. F. Lewis 88-100, H. H. Clark 85-100, Harry Barthern 84-100, A. B. Jones 84-100, C. B. Smith 82-100.

Doubles: A. F. Lewis 21-24, Nash 20-24, Reed 18-24, Hogg 17-24, Ford 16-24, Clark 14-24, Smith 13-24.

The big three-days' registered shoot will begin today at 9 o'clock a. m. If the weather is good it is expected that about the largest crowd of shotgun artists that has been together in California this season will be on hand. O. N. Ford, secretary of the local organization, has already received notices from many clubs saying that representatives would be sent. Several championship titles will be competed for, among which are: Single championship of California, double championship of California, three-man team championship of the Pacific Coast. The three-man team championship of the Pacific Coast is the event which is causing much interest among the gun fans up and down the Coast. San Francisco, Sacramento, Martinez, Vallejo, Reno, Stockton, Modesto, Newman, Lindsay, Fresno, San Diego, Los Angeles, Eureka, Salinas, Hollister and Watsonville, so Forstates, will enter teams in the three-man event. Motion pictures will be taken of shooters in competition.

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At Easton Traps.—The Exposition City Gun Club program for this season comprises monthly shoots at 100 blue rocks. The schedule will be shot in two 50-bird matches—25-bird frames at a time. The Du Pont added bird handicap system will be in vogue, shooters being handicapped on each section of 25 birds shot. According to scores made the contestant's bird allowance is increased or decreased as will be noted in the summary of results appended. This system is intended to place the blue rock smashers all on an even plane. In the shoot at Easton last Sunday Charles H. Knight, who shot minus any bird allowance, broke a total of 92 clay pigeons out of 100 shot at. E. Straessler's total string, including added birds of 7, 3, 5 and 5, also totaled 92. A good example of the equaling averages the system is expected to develop. J. F. Dodds of the San Diego Pastime Gun Club had a bird allowance in three frames and shot from scratch in the fourth. He scored 91. George Stall , a Nevada crack shot, also made a total of 91. He had a small added allowance in the first two sections, scoring 48 out of 50, the best score in the first half of the match. Shooting without any plus targets in the final frames of 25 each, he broke 43 clays, a total of 91. In the second 50 birds Straessler was high gun with 47 (including 10 birds added). The two high scratch scores, at 25 birds, were made by Knight and Hoelle, 25 each. The scores:

Club match, 100 birds, added bird handicaps—

C. H. Knight	24—|	23—|	47	
	22—|	23—|	45	92
E. Straessler	18-7	17-3	45	
	17-5	20-5	47	92
J. F. Dodds	21-1	22-2	46	
	21-1	20—|	45	91
Geo. Stall	22-2	23-1	48	
	21—|	22—|	32	91
E. L. Hoag	20-2	22-3	47	
	19-2	19-4	42	89
B. H. Worthen	21—|	22-2	45	
	23-2	19—|	44	89
H. Dutton	20-5	19-3	47	
	14-4	18-6	42	89
P. Swenson	20-5	19-3	47	
	17-5	14-6	42	89
E. Hoelle	24-—|	23-—|	47	
	17-—|	22-2	41	88
C. A. Haight	17-1	22-3	43	
	17-2	21-4	44	87
E. H. Forestier	7-8	11-10	36	
	8-13	8-15	44	80
J. H. Jones	12-6	16-5	39	39

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Martinez Notes.—The ten-man team shoot between the Alhambra Gun Club scheduled for last Sunday was postponed until June 6 or 27.

The Alhambra shooters turned in and held a 50 bird shoot for a silver cup. H. Veale's 47 was the winning score; F. K. Burnham 46, Dr. Merithew 45, J. J. Anderson 44, J. Randino 42, D. Joslin 40, J. Hamer 40, W. Dutcher 39, F. Stewart 43, B. Woolbert 44, Al Blum 44, A. J. McMahon 37.

The Alhambra three man team at the San Jose shoot is composed of Fred K. Burnham, Billy Sears and "Bud" Havens.

The club is open to shoot any team of from three to fifteen men, representing any club within 100 miles of San Francisco, writes President Fred K. Burnham.

TRADE NOTES.

What Du Pont Does.

At the tournament held at Sumner, Wash., L. H. Reid, F. C. Riehl, and P. J. Holohan, all using duPont Powder, broke 99x100 blue rocks—a very exceptional record.

Winchester Winnings.

Another State Championship was added to the many Winchester victories last week when E. J. Chingren of Spokane, Wash., smashed 99 targets out of 100 and tied with Frank Troeh of Vancouver, Wash., Chingren winning in the shoot-off with the fine score of 39 out of 40. This makes Mr. Chingren the champion of the great State of Washington and he will represent that State at the Grand American Handicap in Chicago. Mr. Chingren won this splendid victory with the famous Red W Brand, "Leader" factory loaded shells—the same kind that won for Lou Rayburn the Championship of Oregon.

Rem-UMC Notes.

The newly organized Round Lake (Ill.) Gun Club held an interesting shoot May 2. Geo. McDermott was high amateur gun, scoring 96x100. He shot a Remington pump gun and Nitro Club shells, as did D. E. Hutton and Geo. Frazer, who won second and third places, respectively.

At the Garden City, (Kan.), Gun Club, May 6 and 7, B. F. Simonds won first place, with the high average of 145x150 for the two days, shooting Nitro Club shells. The 25 bird sliding handicap was won by C. T. Rankin and Frank Luther. Both used Nitro Clubs. Mr. Luther also shot a Remington pump gun.

FLY-CASTING CONTESTS.

San Francisco Fly-Casting Club members competed Sunday and Saturday in the fifth of the series of medal contests for 1915. In event five, several excellent scores were made with the half-ounce lure tackle. F. J. Cooper's casts Sunday, 175 and 166 feet, were top scores for the two days. S. Forbes, in event six, with the same outfit, the "slam" casting event, sent out the light tackle twice for a distance of 220 feet.

"In-and-out" casting is improving. Burgin's run of 10 points is the best so far this season. Forbes was next up with 7, Kierulff 6.

Considering weather conditions Sunday, good scores are shown in event three, heavy trout tackle fly-casting for distance results. In events one and two, accuracy and delicacy fly-casting percentages, the scores are remarkably high. Event four shows accuracy percentages with half-ounce bait tackle. The results:

Saturday Contest No. 5. Medal Series, Stow Lake, May 22, 1915. Wind, south. Weather, fair.

Judges, T. C. Kierulff, C. H. Gardner. Referee, C. H. Kewell. Clerk, E. O. Ritter.

Events—	1 a	1 b	1 c	2	3	4	5	6
Stanley Forbes	99.8	99.20	99.14	99.4	105	97.4	101	220
W. D. Mansfield	99.20	100	99.40	98.44	100	97.5	...	...
F. A. Webster	98.56	98.40	98.48	98.20	...	95.4	...	...
C. G. Young	98.8	99	99.4	99.20	...	97	...	...
C. H. Kewell	98	94.40	96.20	99.24	85	97.4	146	160
T. C. Kierulff	99.16	100	98.38	99.12	100	97.8	140	160
J. F. Burgin	98.56	97.40	98.18	99.36	90	96.7	...	...
C. H. Gardner	98.8	97.20	97.44	98.44	...	99.4	...	...
F. J. Cooper	...	...	...	98.52	95	97.6	166	215
E. A. Rogers	...	...	...	...	94	...	...	...
Re-Entries—								
Stanley Forbes	98.52	99	98.56	...	...	...	165	220
Stanley Forbes	...	...	...	...	108	...	...	...
W. D. Mansfield	...	...	...	...	...	98	136	175
T. C. Kierulff	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
T. C. Kierulff	...	...	...	...	...	97.3	...	...
C. G. Young	...	...	...	...	...	98.2	141	210
F. J. Cooper	...	...	...	...	...	...	95	160
C. H. Kewell	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Sunday Contest No. 5. Medal Series, Stow Lake, May 23, 1915. Wind, south. Weather, rain.

Judges, T. C. Kierulff, F. J. Cooper, Dr. W. E. Brooks. Referee, C. H. Kewell. Clerk, E. O. Ritter.

Events—	1 a	1 b	1 c	2	3	4	5	6
H. B. Sperry	99.8	100	99.34	98.40	95	95.5	...	...
F. J. Cooper	...	...	...	98.32	85	98.4	175	...
E. A. Rogers	98.48	98.40	98.44	99.4	98	96.1	...	...
Dr. W. E. Brooks	97.52	98.40	98.16	98.44	...	95.1	...	...
T. C. Kierulff	99.4	100	99.32	97.36	102	98.5	136	...
W. D. Mansfield	99.4	99.40	99.22	98.48	106	95.7	140	...
C. H. Gardner	99.8	99.20	99.14	99.36	...	98.7	...	...
J. F. Burgin	98.12	98.	98.6	99.32	95	97.3	...	...
Stanley Forbes	99.12	99.20	99.16	99.16	101	98.6	129	...
C. H. Kewell	98.48	96.20	97.34	99.44	...	...	...	...
J. Springer	98.44	96.40	97.42	97.36	...	97.1	...	...
C. G. Young	99.	99.20	99.10	98.56	...	96.	...	...
Re-Entries—								
F. J. Cooper	...	...	...	98.56	...	98	160	190
C. G. Young	...	...	...	98.56	...	98.2	...	...
T. C. Kierulff	...	...	...	99.36	98	98.7	128	165
H. B. Sperry	...	...	...	98.44	...	94. 8	...	...
Dr. W. E. Brooks	98.32	99	98.46	98.56	...	96.4	...	...
Stanley Forbes	99	99.20	99.10	99.20	95	98.7	66	...
J. Springer	98.20	96.40	97.30	97.28	...	95.9	...	...
E. A. Rogers	97.44	97.40	97.42	99	100	97.8	...	...
W. D. Mansfield	98.48	99.20	99.4	98.24	105	97.1	123	...
W. D. Mansfield	...	...	...	...	...	97.3	...	...
W. D. Mansfield	...	...	...	...	...	97	...	...

Fish Lines

Faraway trips by local trout anglers will be in vogue from now on, providing pleasant weather and good roads will permit. The Kern river country is known to a few rod enthusiasts and will be familiar to hundreds more later on. Harry Leap and party recently returned from a two weeks' fishing trip in that section, a locality about 100 miles east of Bakersfield. Good fishing water was found where trout weighing four pounds were numerous. These big fish were landed with both spoon and bait. In the Mt. Whitney Sierra territory there are streams where, it is claimed by Deputy Fish Commissioner Andy Ferguson of Fresno, the fishermen of this whole State could find room, in one day, to enjoy rod and reel sport.

In Madera county Bass Lake is the locality from which comes another bit of pleasing information that not only good trout fishing is on tap, but there is the opportunity to indulge in acceptable black bass fishing. Trout from 17 inches up to 22½ inches long and weighing over four pounds and two-pound black bass have recently been caught. The trout were landed with artificial minnows, the bass with royal coachman flies.

The San Mateo coast creeks and lagoons tempted Graham Ridley, Fred Kahn, George Seeley and A. Thomsen to leave this city in a machine at 2 o'clock Sunday morning . If the coast roads were in better shape than the previous week, when several autos were stalled at different uoints, the party should have reached Pescadero in time for a morning flirt at the trout. Possibly the week's fishing of Al Polett, who fished in the Waddell, Pescadero creek and lagoon and San Gregorio creek and lagoon, 6 to 8-inch trout were caught, will also tempt other rodsters down the peninsular coast tomorrow.

What may be expected in a measure can be surmised from the reports of different fishermen, who have tried the creeks recently. A. L. Dickman, Bob Brown and Clarence Haywood of San Mateo recently had good luck in the San Gregorio waters. In Bean Hollow lagoon, below Pescadero; Haywood also was successful in catching with a Kewell-Stewart spoon a number of nice sized striped bass.

Purissima creek is one of the most reliable streams along the ocean shore.

The headwaters of Aptos creek were good for nice catches recently. "Buzz" Lent Tuesday landed a limit fish that ran from 5 to 9 inches in length.

Throckmorton lagoon was good for limit baskets last Thursday, when Dr. M. E. Simon and Dr. H. Lacoste fished there. Lake Lagunitas has not been overly well patronized during the rainy spell. Charley Breidenstein, Baldo Ivancovich and Fred Willet drew limit dividends of trout from the pretty mountain lake last Monday.

Up Cazadero way the headwaters of East Austin creek, "towards the Red Slide," offer excellent trout temptation.

Stoney creek, near Fouts Springs, has always been well thought of by the fishermen who have tried it. C. W. Tuttle's experience, fishing where the two creeks meet, landed a basket of trout, some weighing 2 and 2½ pounds. The roads were very hard going at the time and were not in any too good condition last week.

It may be just as well to state here that the use of spawn or roe for bait in any of the Nevada streams or lakes—the Truckee river is the main fishing water—is illegal and arrests will follow the discovery of use of roe or spawn eggs by any fisherman. Local fishermen who visit Floriston or Verdi might make a note of this.

The output of trout fry from Sisson and other State hatcheries this season will be so prolific, by the millions, that the Fish and Game Commission officials will put in service an extra fish distributing car. The annual work of transplanting trout fry will probably be started next week. Deputy Fish Commissioner R. B. Heacock intends to liberate 500,000 troutlets in the streams of Santa Cruz county. There will also be an allotment of about 400,000 fry for Santa Clara and Monterey counties. These young trout will come from the Brookdale hatchery.

The many tributaries of Eel and Mad rivers, in Mendocino, Humboldt and Trinity counties, as well as the main streams, are now accessible to the fishing fraternity by railroad via the newly constructed extension of the Northwestern Pacific Railroad from Willets.

The Eel river steelhead fishing has a well deserved reputation for dishing up thrillers that will satisfy the most exacting rodster. The fly patterns most in favor for Eel river fishing are the Vance, Soule, Carson, red ibis and royal coachman. The first mentioned three flies were designed by well known Eureka anglers. All of these flies are dressed with jungle cock wings.

The recent rains, from the viewpoint of an experienced angler, cannot fail to have a beneficial effect in from a week to a fortnight from the present time. The unsatisfactory fishing conditions in the Sierra streams recently were caused by cold weather and turbulent high water. Notwithstanding the season should be a good one for the trout-angling fraternity. Rivers and creeks have been thoroughly cleared of rubbish, debris and sand, leaving the bottoms and holes nicely cleaned out for the fish, when the waters recede and clear up. Such conditions are very favorable for runs of steelhead in the coast streams clear up to the headwater tributaries. The same conditions also apply to salmon.

A recent report from Boca from R. C. Weeks states that fly-casting sport has hardly begun, although early this month quite a number of good catches of trout were made near Boca with fly lures. Stormy weather has prevented the appearance of insect life over and about the river. Both the Truckee and the Little Truckee have been far from clear. Bait fishing, however, is excellent and good catches are being made daily at Boca, with angle worms and other baits.

Late this week it was reported that the river was low and clear and fishing better than at any time last year.

As a matter of fact, most of the big trout taken in the Truckee river are caught with minnow baited hooks. The large trout lay out in the stream close to big rocks or in the deep holes too far out for the fly caster to send his light tackle. A long cane pole and a leaden weighted line do the trick for the knowing and unconventional fisherman on the Truckee, and this individual lands good catches of large fish, too. Instances are not unknown where the proud owner of a fine Leonard rod and all the expensive tackle that goes with such a rig scrupled not to purchase a nice string of trout from one of the despised cane slam-casters. These fish, of course, were bought to send to friends—not to show to anybody.

Upper Sacramento fishing points were not inviting last week. What fishing there was was with bait lures, and not overly good at that. Prior to the last heavy storm fly-fishing was most promising.

From the Big Meadows country advices are that "lots of fish are being caught in the big reservoir." The trout are large and are taking trolling with a spinning spoon.

Colonel William Ellery, Harry Blatchley and Chris Ellery are back from a two weeks' trip to the McCloud river. The river was high and will not be worth while trying for a week or two.

The Williamson river in Oregon bids fair to be in high-class shape June 1. Two Kansas City anglers, who visit that fishing resort every year, H. Hoops and M. McGowan, are now in this city outfitting for an early trip to the Oregon home of big trout. At the present time the trout in Williamson river and its tributary, Spring creek, rise steadily to the artificial insect lures.

Feather river reports have been taking on a more pleasing hue since the weather has shown signs of moderation. Alfred Grunewaldt, who is making a stay at Big Bar, has been having fair success during the past week. The best results are found in the small creeks of that section. Within a few days conditions should improve materially. Advices from Belden last week were that the river had gone down considerably, and that fishing in the river and nearby creeks was improving—good-sized rainbows have been taken. The immediate outlook for that stretch of the river "looks good." Bait fishing, or with a spoon, is the game now.

From Cresta, Ed Thompson sent down a box of nice trout, averaging three-quarters of a pound in weight, and in fine condition they were. The Feather river trout spawned early this year and are now in fine shape.

The Marin county creeks are getting in line again for the rodster. James Andrews picked up forty nice trout in the White House pool, near Point Reyes. Several of these trout scaled from one to one and a half pounds. A new run of steelhead came in the Paper Mill creek waters since the last storm. Farther up the creek, near Camp Taylor might be worth trying,, for John Barr landed almost a limit basket along that part of the creek a week ago. Up higher in the hills Lagunitas branch headquarters yielded a fine catch to Milton Frankenburg and John Cattermole.

Dogs Can Be Imported Free Now.—The proper steps to take in order to bring dogs into this country free of duty are outlined in a bulletin issued by the Bureau of Animal Industry at Washington. These, in brief, are as follows: First—The dog must be registered in a recognized foreign club and a pedigree of the dog secured. Second—The pedigree of the dog must then be stamped—that is, certified to—by the secretary of the above mentioned club, and a certificate of registration of this dog in the club must also be secured from the secretary of the club. Third—A vendor's certificate must be secured from the seller of the dog or his agent, which shall give the name and registration number on each dog sold to the importer, the date of sale, place of purchase, and the name and address in this country of the purchaser. Blanks for this certificate may be secured from the custodian of the foreign book of record, in Washington, or a suitable form can generally be secured from one of the American express companies doing business in Europe. Fourth—A bill of sale, showing price paid for the dog, must also be secured from the seller of the dog.

Interstate Association Tournaments—

June 15, 16, 17—The Interstate Association's Tenth Western Handicap Tournament, St. Louis, Mo., under the auspices of the Missouri Athletic Association Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Western Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

July 8, 9, 10—The Interstate Association's Tenth Pacific Coast Handicap Tournament, San Diego, Cal., under the auspices of the Pastime Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Pacific Coast Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

August 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chicago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy, and the winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

May 27, 28—Utah State Tournament, under the auspices of the Utah State Sportsmen's Ass'n, A. R. Bain, Secretary, Salt Lake City.

May 29, 30, 31—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary, San Jose.

June 3, 4, 5—Annual Tournament of Rocky Mountain Interstate Sportsmen's Association, under auspices of Mile High Gun Club, Wm. M. Bowman, Secretary, Denver, Colo.

June 7, 8, 9—Sportsmen's Ass'n of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Ore.

July 1, 2—Vancouver Gun Club, C. A. Porter, Secretary, Vancouver, Can.

July 5—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President, Eureka, Cal.

July 5—Sunrise Gun Club, H. S. Hill, Secretary, Sunrise, Wyo.

July 5—Holbrook Gun Club, J. S. Hulet, Secretary, Holbrook, Ariz.

July 9, 10—Gem City Gun Club, Max Welck, Secretary, Laramie, Wyo.

July 10—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, W. S. Short, Secretary, Chehalis, Wash.

July 12—Rawlins Rod and Gun Club, H. Breitenstein, Secretary, Rawlins, Wyo.

July 12, 13, 14—Los Angeles Gun Club, Fred H. Teeple, Secretary, Venice, Cal.

July 19, 20, 21, 22—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary, Tacoma, Wash.

July 28, 29—Delta County Gun Club, Nick Powell and R. A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

August 10—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

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THE FARM

BREAKING COLTS THAT BALK AND KICK.

In breaking the colt to draw a vehicle the horse may develop bad habits unless he is properly handled. The most common cause of balkiness among horses is punishment to make them do something that they can not do or that they do not understand how to do, says U.-S. Department of Agriculture Farmers' Bulletin No. 667, "Breaking and Training Colts." If the horse balks because the load is too heavy, and he is not allowed occasionally to rest and regain his breath, the use of whip or spur will very often provike further and more stubborn rebellion. He should be given a short rest, and while he is resting, rub his nose, pick up a front foot and tap the hoof a few times, or adjust the harness, and he may forget his balkiness. Take up the lines and give the command to go ahead, turning slightly to the right or left to start. If the horse does not start it is either a case of over-load or a chronic balker. If the former, the load should be lightened, but in the case of the latter, training will be necessary to overcome the habit.

Where the balking habit is fixed, the horse should be trained to obey all commands with promptness without being hitched to the wagon. First put on the double trip ropes which consist of a strong surcingle, four 2-inch iron rings, two straps to go around pasterns, and a rope about 25 feet long. Fasten two 2-inch rings to the underside of the surcingle and put straps with rings on front feet. Run end of rope through near ring on surcingle, through ring on near foot, up and through off side surcingle ring, down, and tie to off fore foot. A pull on the rope when the horse steps will bring him to his knees. Always use knee pads or have the horse on soft ground, where he will not injure his knees.

Use the ropes until the horse stops and stands when he hears "whoa." Next put on the guy line, which should be managed by an assistant, while you drive and attend the trip ropes. The guy line is a rope fastened around the horse's neck and a half hitch over the lower jaw. It is very severe and should not be used to excess. If the horse shows any tendency to balk, give the command "whoa" before he stops of his own accord. When ready to start, the assistant should take a position in front of the horse and smartly jerk him forward with the guy line at the same time you give the command "get up." Repeat the process of stopping and starting until the horse shows no signs of self-will. Use the guy line, and use it severely, on the slightest intimation that the horse is going to balk. After a few of these lessons the horse may be hitched to the wagon. The trip ropes and guy line should be kept on until he is well broken of the habit.

In treating the colt to overcome kicking put on the harness and trip ropes. Let the assistant take a stick about four feet long, wrap a gunny sack around one end and tie it. With this the assistant, if he stands at the colt's shoulders and holds the halter with one hand, can rub the colt's hind legs without being placed in danger of his heels. If the colt kicks, do not hit him but allow him to examine the stick again, and proceed to stick him and poke him all over, that is, make him become accustomed to being touched on any part of his anatomy without kicking. After he becomes submissive to the stick, tie sacks of hay to the traces and breeching and continue the lesson until he pays no attention to it.

Fasten a long pole on either side of him, with one end to drag on the ground, the other end to be fastened to the shaft carrier. Drive the colt around with these, and if he attempts to kick, steady him and pull him to his knees. This should be continued until he submits to the poles dragging between his legs and all around him. This is also a good lesson to be given a colt that does not kick, before trying to drive him single.

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On yearlings, to be shown in 1916	15.00	10.00
On two-year-olds, to be shown in 1917	25.00	10 00
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Stallion, mare or gelding	Five-gaited	Three-gaited	To sire of first money winner in each division	To dam of first money winner in each division
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Yearlings, 1916	500 00	300.00	15.00	15.00
Two-year-olds, 1917	800.00	500.00	25.00	25.00
Three-year-olds, 1918	1200.00	800.00	50.00	50.00

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To the third colt	15 per cent
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To the fifth colt	10 per cent
To the sixth colt	7½ per cent

MANNER OF SHOWING:—Weanlings, yearlings and two-year-olds shall be shown to halter and three-year-olds under saddle.

The right is reserved to declare the stake off prior to August 1st, 1915, if same does not fill satisfactorily upon the refunding of all entries received.
In case a mare fails to produce a colt, produces a dead coalt or foals twins, or her colt dies, the right to substitute by the owner another colt from a mare bred to a registered stallion is reserved on or before January 1st, 1916.
In case a nominated colt is dropped out, and later his owner desires to re-enter same, this may be done upon a payment of all sums which should have been paid had the entry been kept good and $25 additional
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CONDITIONS

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Entries close June 1, 1915.
3% to enter. 7% from first money winners; 6% from second; 5% from third; 4% from fourth. Full 3% of purse must be paid at time of entry. No entry will be accepted without this payment.
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Any race not finished on the last day of the meeting may be declared ended and the money divided according to the summary.
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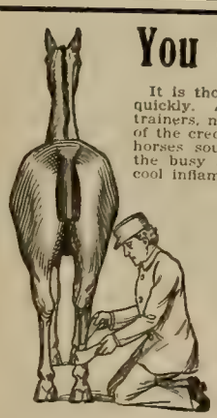
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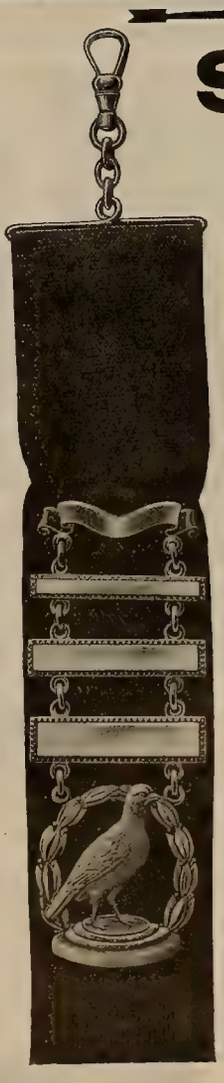
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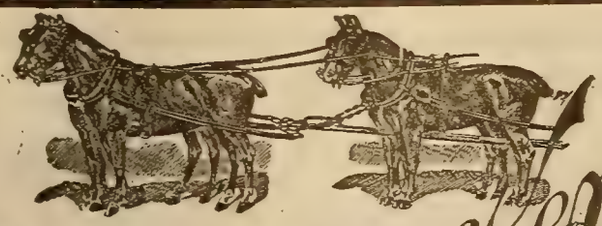
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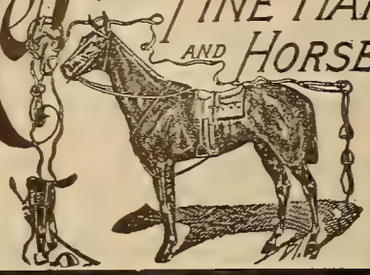


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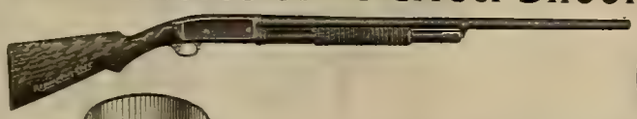


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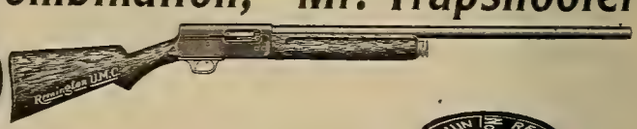
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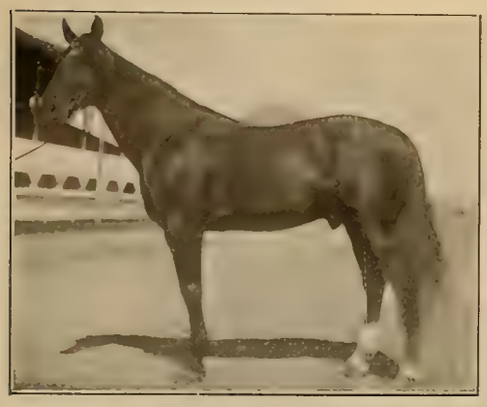


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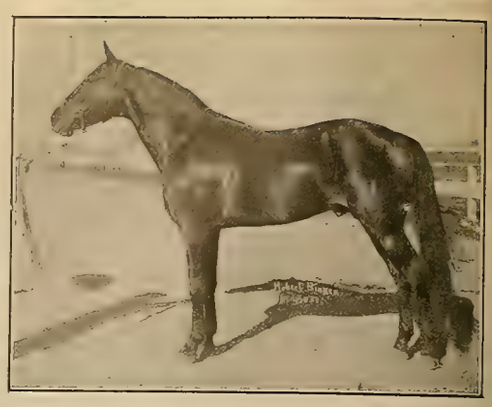
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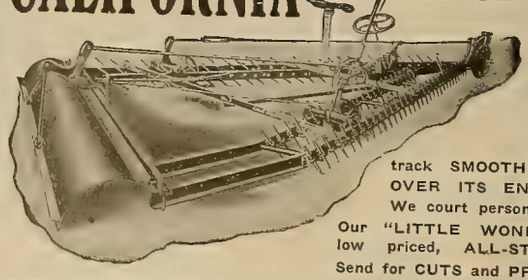
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ROBERT BINGEN 2:11¼.....Harry Dowling, Woodland
THE PROOF (2) 2:29¾....Keefer & Spencer, Pleasanton

FAIR BILL UP TO GOVERNOR.

Though no mention of the same was found in the Sacramento dailies at the time, owing to the pressure of legislative news at the last moment, we were informed one day this week by Senator Benjamin Rush that the district fair bill, providing for eight fairs, had passed both houses of the legislature and was up to the governor for his consideration. As his excellency has in the past expressed himself as in favor of a conservative measure of this kind it is more than probable that the same will meet with his approval, though interested parties can do their cause no harm by informing him of their desire for his signature. Under the bill's provisions no fairs will be held this year, the appropriations becoming available for next season, and if it becomes an enactment the outlook for the future will be greatly improved.

NEW ENTRIES FOR THAT CLIMATIC HANDICAP

The editors of our two contemporaries, the Breeder and Sportsman, of San Francisco, and the Horse Review, of Chicago, are having a heated argument as to which enjoys the better climate. Of course, we know that the golden sunshine of the Occident must be glorious, and the balmy February zephyrs of the breezy city should be exhilarating, but, if either desires to spend a real pleasant summer, we would invite him to come to Boston.—American Horse Breeder.

While a spirited engagement between two contemporaries regarding the good and bad qualities of Chicago and San Francisco as winter training points was crowding European war news into the background, a trotter with a record around 2:16 worked the Indianapolis track in 2:10, or a shade slower, two-year-olds of the lateral gait were pulled up to keep them from beating 2:20 and ruining the speculation in the futurities of the year, and the heavy pair of draft horses used for working the track reeled off a quarter in 33¾ seconds at the end of a slow mile—hitched to the sprinkling wagon. Yes, there are apparently worse places for trainers to winter than the Indiana State Fair grounds.—Western Horseman.

The Tampa Morning Tribune is published in Tampa, Fla., a fact which is about all the explanation necessary for its editorial attack upon the climate of California. Easterners having discovered that Florida is not the only pebble on the summer beach and that you can have glorious sunshine without malaria and with two expositions on the Pacific coast, the Tampa Tribune editor is pleased to give prominence to the atrabilious bunkum of a disgruntled visitor to San Francisco. He informs his home-town paper that his impressions of California are: "Beastly climate, darned liars and fleas, with the odds in favor of the liars." That he is a very bad case of chronic grouchitis is amply demonstrated by the following outburst of pessimistic piffle: "The native son, physically speaking, is a large, portly fellow of fine appearance, but, as a rule, he possesses a flea-bitten, shriveled-up soul and a disposition that would disgrace a Missouri mule. The standard of morals is a little better than that of the South Sea islander, except in a business way, and in that respect they have neither morals nor conscience." Some one must have sold him the Tower of Jewels or the battleship Oregon.—S. F. Chronicle.

P. H. SEXTON PASSES ON.

The ranks of California's well known pioneers were again invaded last Sunday when death claimed Mr. P. H. Sexton of Oakland, who had long ranked as one of the coast's most steadfast friends of the horse. Some two years ago Mr. Sexton suffered a fall which brought on a cancerous growth that could not be checked, and for two weeks prior to his death he had been confined to his bed.

Mr. Sexton was in his seventy-fourth year and had been a resident of California since 1868, making his way here from his birthplace in Limerick, Ireland, by way of Montreal, Boston, and the Isthmus of Panama and taking up his residence across the bay from this city. He was married to Miss Jane Lamping of Marysville not many years after coming here, and they became the parents of twelve children, eight of whom are living, all residents of this section. Mrs. Sexton survives her husband, and the entire family was present at the end.

Mr. Sexton, a contracting plasterer by profession, not only left his wife and family in independent circumstances, but built up a profitable business in which he has been succeeded by some of the younger generation, he having not been actively engaged therein for some years. He never missed a race meeting, and while never the owner of race horses of prominence he always bred from one to half a dozen youngsters annually, and was passionately fond of road driving. Only a few weeks ago, bright and cheerful, apparently in most excellent health for a man of his years, he was an interested visitor at the Pleasanton track, and one of his last conscious concerns expressed was for the welfare of Tim's young trotter, Future Tramp. Mr. Sexton had looked forward eagerly to the exposition races and had steadfastly refused to visit the local track until the contests should be in full sway.

Services were held at the home and at St. Andrews Church Tuesday afternoon, hundreds attending to pay their last measure of honor and respect, after which the remains were laid at rest in St. Mary's cemetery, Oakland.

Good Fields for First Six Days' Races

With a card of three races, every one of which will bring out a field of exceptional excellence, the long awaited race meeting at the P.-P. I. E. opens this afternoon under the auspices of the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders' Association. For the last several days the weather has been very good, with less wind than attended that of last week, and if the weather man is gracious enough to give us a couple of weeks off the same pattern as Thursday's sample was cut from there will be no doubt of the success that will attend the exposition meeting.

Of the races which were scheduled to close on June first, but one was declared filled, the 2:07 pace, which attracted eleven high class sidewheelers and which promises to be one of the greatest contests of the entire program. No deviation will be made from the schedule originally set for the racing of the various events, and the management announces that the vacancies in some of the daily programs will be filled out with special events, so that each afternoon's sport will be completely rounded out.

We present herewith the program up to and including next Saturday, June 12, giving the entry and driver for each event as accurately as possible at this time. There are a few instances of horses entered that have not yet appeared on the scene, and possibly some of those given below may be declared out, though it is not probable that much alteration will be made in the fields as given here, save in case of accident. Wherever known, the driver appears with the horse in place of the owner or nominator:

SATURDAY, JUNE 5.

No. 1, 2:30 Trot, $2,,000—Bon Cres, Fred Chadbourne; Spriggan, Will DeRyder; Virginia Barnette, Will Durfee; A. R. G., Joe McGuire; Bessie Custer, Al Whitney; The Proof, Charley Spencer; Miss Perfection, Charley DeRyder; Robert Bingen, Harry Dowling; Golden State, Blackwell & Hendrickson.

No. 2, 2:07 pace, $2500.—Dan Logan, Warren Pugh; Walnut Grove, Albert Ruthven; Little Bernice, Sam Watkins; White Sox, Will Durfee; The Beaver, Will Fleming; Hal Boy, Marvin Childs; Booze, Elmo Montgomery; College Gent, Barney Barnes; Zulu Belle, Al Schwartz; Homer Mac, Jim Stewart; Teddy Bear, Loren Daniels.

No. 3, 2:08 Trot, $5000.—Albaloma, John Quinn; Rags or Esperanza, Will DeRyder; Mahomet Watts, Charley DeRyder; The Duchess, Lon McDonald; Electric Patch, Railey Macey; Pass All, E. A. Colburn; Peter McCormick, V. L. Shuler; Kid Cupid, Loren Daniels; Alberta Dillon, Will Fleming.

TUESDAY, JUNE 8.

No. 4, two-year-old trot, $2000.—Natalday, Lon McDonald; Miss Rico, Will Durfee; Carleta, Charley Durfee; Anvilite, Charley DeRyder; The Expense, Charley Spencer; Ludie McKinney, Schuyler Walton.

No. 5, 2:25 pace, $2000.—A. B. C., Fred Chadbourne; O. U. C., Frank Childs; Mountain Dee, Ben Walker; Dicto, Will DeRyder; Contention B., Will Durfee; Baby Gommet, Al Schwartz; Monk or Direct Line, Joe McGuire; Zomblack, Charley DeRyder; Miss Harris M., Lon McDonald; Donald, Will Ivey; G. C. W., Albert Ruthven; Fleeta Dillon, Millard Sanders; Marie Fitzsimmons, J. W. Swank; Frank Perry, Bert Webster; Drift Patch, Railey Macey; The Badger, Will Fleming.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9.

No. 7, 2:16 trot, $2,000.—Loe Blossom, Frank Childs; Byron or Virginia Barnette, Will Durfee; Mabel, George Magruder; Miss Perfection, Charley DeRyder; Laramie Lad, Lon McDonald; Princess Louise, George Nugent; Miss Johnson, Albert Ruthven; Copper the Ore, Al Schwartz; Lottie Ansel, Harry Dowling; Seneca Boy, Will Fleming.

No. 8, amateur free-for-all trot, $1000.—Monica McKinney, Dan Hoffman; Maymack, A. W. Longley; Merry Widow, Worth Parsons; Jean Arion, Harold Savage; Kid Cupid, Charley Silva; Vallejo King, Thomas Smith.

No. 9, 2:11 class pace, $2000.—Zorene, Fred Chadbourne; Imbro, Frank Childs; Kinneysham, Ben Walker; Frank N., Martin Ford; Asa Pointer, Will DeRyder; Red Rock, Joe McGuire; Hal Boy, Marvin Childs; Princess Patch, Railey Macey; The Beaver, Will Fleming.

THURSDAY, JUNE 10

No. 10, three-year-old pace, $3000.—Sheldon B., John Quinn; Oro Lou, A. L. Blackwell; Agnes Patch, Railey Macey; Rodney Patchen, Bert Webster; Impetuous Devil, L. C. Kinney.

No. 11, driving club 2:20 trot, $1000—Matawan, H. C. Ahlers; Muggins, Harold Cohen; Birdeye, A. Combatalade; Sultan, J. J. Gethin; Graham Bellini, George J. Giannini; Horseshoe Boy, A. S. Hanks; Howard's Comet, P. J. Howard; Kate Dillon, Joe Ryan; Agnes Carter, A. Ottinger; Columbia T., Charley Silva.

No. 12, 2:25 trot, $2000.—Bon Cres, Fred Chadbourne; Dione II, Ben Walker; Spriggan, Will DeRyder; Baron Todd, Lon McDonald; Mary E. Patch, Railey Macey; Robert Bingen, Harry Dowling; Golden State, Blackwell & Hendrickson.

FRIDAY, JUNE 11.

No. 13, 2:18 trot, $2,000.—Matawan, Hans Frellson; Kinney de Lopez, Budd Doble; Bessie Custer, Al Whitney; The Proof, Charley Spencer; Laramie Lad, Lon McDonald; Doctor D. C., George Nugent; Tropic Dawn, Will Fleming.

No. 14, driving club 2:15 pace.—Edith Light, Hugh Boyle; Trix McAdrian, P. J. Chalmers; Mabel Dillon, Ben Cohen; Francisca, J. V. Galindo; Bradmont, George J. Giannini; W. J. K., W. J. Kenney; Jack, W. J. McDonnell; Casey Jones, M. J. McKiernan; Alton S., A. Sperry; Jim Donnelly, Frank Wright.

No. 15, 2:17 pace, $2000.—O. U. C., Frank Childs; Athol R., Schuyler Walton; Lizzie Dillon, Marvin Childs; Dicto, Will DeRyder; Contention B., Will Durfee; Budweiser, Sam Gilbert; Baby Gommet, Al Schwartz; Pointer Belle, J. M. Kidd; Zoetrix, Fred Chadbourne; Zomblack, Charley DeRyder; Hedgewood Patchen, Lon McDonald; Donald, Will Ivey; Direct Line, Joe McGuire; Buzz Patch, Railey Macey; Fleeta Dillon, Millard Sanders; Potrero Boy, Loren Daniels.

SATURDAY, JUNE 12.

No. 16, driving club 2:30 trot, $1000.—Brutus, S. Christenson; Muggins, Harold Cohen; Birdeye, A. Combatalade; Sultan, J. J. Gethin; Horseshoe Boy, A. S. Hanks; Howard's Comet, P. J. Howard; California B., A. W. Longley; Berta Lou, Worth Parsons; Eloise Dell, Charley Silva; Harold K., C. A. Soto.

No. 17, 2:10 trot, $20,000.—McCloskey, Lon McDonald; Peter McCormick, V. L. Shuler; Kinney de Lopez, Budd Doble; Baby Doll, John Quinn; Virginia Barnette, Will Durfee; Loe Blossom, Frank Childs; Spriggan, Will DeRyder; Kid Cupid, Loren Daniels; San Felipe, Charley Durfee; Electric Patch, Railey Macey; A. R. G., Joe McGuire; John Mack, F. L. McQuitty; Dione II, Ben Walker; Bonnie Ansel, Charley Spencer.

No. 18, free-for-all pace, $5,000.—White Sox, Will Durfee; Dr. Burns Jr., Al Whitney; Leata J., J. N. Jones; Jim Logan, Elmo Montgomery; Joe Patchen II, C. L. DeRyder; Homer Mac, Jim Stewart; Margot Hal, Lon McDonald; Walnut Grove, Albert Ruthven; Zulu Belle, Al Schwartz; Little Bernice, Sam Watkins; Clara Mac, Harry Dowling; College Gent, Barney Barnes; Dan Logan, Warren Pugh.

If the $20,000 trot looks to you like it would be some horse race, and it probably does so appear, if you have been keeping cases on the various entrants, the $20,000 pace for getaway day must look like two horse races, as there are nearly a score of fast birds entered and ready to race, and if Dr. Burns Jr. happens to be a bit ouchy or draw a bad position he will have his work cut out for him if he heads this bunch of horses: Frank Perry, Twinkling Dan, The Beaver, Little Bernice, Hemet, Homer Mac, College Gen, Walnut Grove, Hal Boy, Red Rock, San Jacinto, O. U. C., Margot Hal, White Sox, Booze, Princess Patch, Teddy Bear and Dr. Burns Jr. There may be more in the mail, as this list was taken from the recorded entries Thursday. Give this field the once over, then study it some more, and see if it alone isn't worth a long, long journey to see!

Matinee Pacers Wage Merry Battle

Another good crowd turned out Sunday afternoon at the exposition race track to witness the second of the matinee programs of the San Francisco-California Driving Club and were rewarded by seeing some fast time and spirited contests.

Frank Goularte of Decoto, who brought his trio of pacers down from Pleasanton some days ago in order to get in on the matinee fun, made a good beginning by taking his first start in straight heats with Aerolite Jr., a blocky lad by Aerolite 2:06¾ and out of Cricket 2:10 by Steinway, outfooting Marin in the stretch in both heats, Golden Buck and Darby Mac finishing third and fourth, respectively, in both heats.

Marie Fitzsimmons was the choice of a good many of the prophets for the 2:15 pace, which brought out a field of eight that bothered the starter considerably, and while she delivered the goods all right for the first heat she was outfooted in the next two and ranked only second in the summary when the smoke of battle died away. Greatness, who took the overland route, stood a hard drive in the first heat and very nearly finished winner; she was a bit unsteady in the stretch in the other heats but went a consistent race and made a nice showing for a three-year-old. King Pointer won the second heat handily, having command of the situation from early in the second quarter, but a break on the first turn cost him the third heat, as he had too much ground to cover to catch William Tell and Emma M., though he succeeded in collaring most of the balance of the field.

The free-for-all pace brought out the speed of the day, as usual, and Charley Silva and Teddy Bear were again returned winners, but not in straight heats as was the case on the previous Sunday. Vera Hal, the great little Expressive Mac pacer owned and driven by Harold Cohen, went out in front all the way in the first heat until well into the stretch, when Teddy caught her and beat her to the wire by a neck, the time as announced being 2:07, with the last half in 1:02½ and the last quarter in :29. Zulu Belle, driven by E. M. Barber of San Diego, broke on the first turn and came in with a flat tire. In the second heat Cohen took his bay mare in behind Silva and Teddy and stayed there until well toward the stretch, Silva being content to go past the half in moderate time. Before rounding into the stretch both leaders went at it for all they knew and the stand "rose to 'em" as they raced nose and nose through the stretch in :28½, Vera Hal winning by a scant head in 2:09¾, the final quarter being the fastest ever paced in a local matinee. Zulu Belle went to the lead in the last heat and led the procession to the head of the stretch, when Silva and Cohen pulled out for the race through the straightaway. It looked like another quarter below :30 at first, but Vera went off her feet before coming far and Teddy had no trouble disposing of the Petigru mare in 2:10¾.

Charley Silva played "whole hog" on the free-for-alls, as after annexing the pace he turned his attention to the trotters and straight-heated them with Kid Cupid, the starter again having some difficulty in getting the field away. Agnes Carter, with a strange driver, spoiled a few starts but trotted steadily after the word was given and finished third, the announcement that she was set to last position for running leading many in the grandstand to the belief that either the judges or the announcer had the horses mixed, as Muggins was the principal offender, St. Patrick and Birdeye furnishing the major portion of the competition.

The 2:12 pace followed the pattern of its predecessors on the afternoon card, the event for 2:15 side-wheelers, by being split three ways insofar as heat winners were concerned. Mabel Dillon grabbed the first heat from Bradmont and W. J. K., but couldn't repeat, the following heats going one-two to W. J. K. and Bradmont, respectively. Hamburg Belle, who should have been among the contenders, had trouble with her hobbles breaking and was distanced in the first heat. Lassie M. disposed of the 2:30 trotters in straight heats and slow time.

Messrs. J. A. McKerron, J. Holland and Bert Edwards officiated as judges; E. T. Ayres, J. M. Kidd and Fred Clotere as timers; Dick Dwyer did the starting, and the day's details are as follows:

First race—2:25 mixed:

Aerolite Jr.	(Frank Goularte)	1	1
Marin	(P. F. Kane)	2	2
Golden Buck	(W. G. Walkup)	3	3
Darby Mac	(Joe McTigue)	4	4

Time—2:22, 2:21½.

Second race—2:15 pace:

King Pointer	(H. Campodonico)	3	1 4
Marie Fitzsimmons	(J. W. Swank)	1	4 7
William Tell	(R. Roberts)	5	6 1
Greatness	(O. Martin)	2	2 3
Emma M.	(William Malough)	4	3 2
Jack	(McDonnel and Conlon)	6	5 8
J. C. Simpson	(F. Goularte)	7	8 5
Little Dick	(G. Erebout)	8	7 6

Time—2:16½, 2:17½, 2:20¾.

Third race—Free-for-all pace:

Teddy Bear	(C. F. Silva)	1	2 1
Vera Hal	(H. Cohen)	2	1 3
Zulu Belle	(A. Ottinger)	4	4 2
Dick W.	(A. Ottinger)	3	3 dr

Time—2:07, 2:09½, 2:10¾.

Fourth race—Free-for-all trot:

Kid Cupid	(C. F. Silva)	1	1
Birdeye	(A. Combatalade)	2	3
St. Patrick	(J. J. Ryan)	4	2
Agnes Carter	(A. Ottinger)	3	4
Muggins	(H. Cohen)	6	5
Graham Bellini	(G. J. Giannini)	5	dr

Time—2:18, 2:18.

Fifth race—2:12 pace:

Bradmont	(G. J. Giannini)	2	2 1
W. J. K.	(W. J. Kenney)	3	1 2
Mabel Dillon	(B. Cohen)	1	3 3
Delilah	(J. C. Welsh)	4	4 5
Decoto Boy	(F. Goularte)	5	5 4
Hamburg Belle	(J. Ginocchio)	ds	

Time—2:14¾, 2:15, 2:15½.

Sixth race—2:30 trot:

Lassie M.	(M. M. Bates)	1	1
Ella Wilkes	(C. B. Borromeo)	2	2
Jonesie Mac	(D. E. Hoffman)	3	3
G. M. S.	(William Sicotte)	4	4

Time—2:33½, 2:34½.

GOOD MATINEE AT PETALUMA.

Several hundred lovers of light harness racing gathered at Kenilworth park to witness the opening day's racing of the Petaluma Driving Club Sunday afternoon, May 23. The fair sex turned out in goodly numbers. Much enthusiasm was manifested, there being some closely contested heats which keyed the spectators up to a high pitch of excitement. The track was slow, caused by a drizzling rain, and for a time it looked like there would be no racing. The time made in the different events was good, considering the condition of the track. Eight scored for the word in the first event. Ike M., driven by Frank McGovern, won the initial heat handily; Pacific finished second and Billy Van third. Billy Van won the next two heats and the race in decisive fashion. The second event was a two horse affair between Healey's trotter Springtime and Ed Millerick's pacer, Glenwood. Springtime won both heats and the race in a hot drive down the stretch. The heats were negotiated in 2:38 and 2:39.

The last race on the card was a pacing race. Glenwood, Petaluma Girl, Tom Mc and Lady M. going to the post. Glenwood won the two straight heats and the race from Petaluma Girl. Petaluma Girl took the lead in the first heat at the tap of the bell, with Glenwood close up. They raced like a double team the greater part of the distance and a blanket could have covered both horses. Glenwood, admirably handled by Jack Grimes, outfooted the game mare in a hot drive down the home stretch, winning by a length and a half. The time was reeled off in 2:27. In the second heat Petaluma Girl and Glenwood raced the back stretch and won the heat and race handily. The time was 2:27. Liberal prizes were offered for the events.

Sunday, June 6, the Petaluma Driving Club will hold a meet at Sonoma, and the following Sunday races will be held again at Kenilworth Park.

The officials of the meet were: Starter, Joe Ryan; marshal, Thomas Caulfield, Jr.; timer, F. Theller; judges, Alec Davis, L. Fourault. The chart:

First race, mixed:

Billy Van, pacer	(Laveroni)	3	1 1
Ike M., trotter	(F. McGovern)	1	3 4
Ned, trotter	(Seguin)	4	2 2
Pacific, pacer	(Brubeck)	2	4 3
Baby Doll, pacer	(Barboni)	5	5 5
Lady O., pacer	(Offutt)	6	6 6
Rosy Clay, trotter	(T. Silva)	7	7 w
Chicken, trotter	(G. Silva)	8	8 w

Time—2:33, 2:36, 2:42.

Second race, mixed:

Springtime, trotter	(Healey)	1	1
Glenwood, pacer	(Millerick)	2	2
Alameda Maiden	(Leoni)	4	3
Cyclone	(D. McGovern)	3	5
China	(Harris)	5	4

Time—2:38, 2:39.

Third race, pacing:

Glenwood Mc.	(Grimes)	1	1
Petaluma Girl	(Ramatici)	2	2
Tom Mc	(Carpenter)	3	3
Lady M.	(D. McGovern)	4	4

Time—2:27, 2:27

WHO GETS THE MONEY?

There has been quite a lot of speculation among turf writers during the past two or three months as to whether Nathan Axworthy 2:12¼ was owned by a single individual, or by a partnership or a syndicate, and no one has come forward with authoritative information on the subject; but there is no longer any need of speculation in the matter, for it is positively stated that the splendid five-year-old son of Axworthy 2:15½ and Bertha Bennett was sold last week by Mr. E. B. Oates, of Paterson, to Mr. Theo. S. Miller, of Newark, former president of the Road Horse Association of New Jersey, and a foremost booster in that virile organization. The price is reported to be $10,000, but we do not vouch for this part of it. At any rate, Mr. Miller has secured a grand young trotter, and Nathan Axworthy has an owner that is just as worthy. He took his record on the half-mile track at Troy, N. Y., last July as a four-year-old, and there is not any doubt that he can show considerably better than 2:10 when made ready and given the word. As a two-year-old he was second every time he started in four races of nine heats, ranging from 2:13½ to 2:12½, and it is probable that he could have stepped in 2:12 or better had it been deemed wise to give him a record. As a three-year-old he did not race, but last year, as a four-year-old, he was defeated but once, and then by an accident. Mr. Miller is to be congratulated upon acquiring such a grand young trotter.—Trotter and Pacer.

DEATH CLAIMS E. E. ANDERSON.

Sunday afternoon at St. Francis hospital in this city occurred the death of Edward E. Anderson, a well known young business man of Portland, Oregon, widely known among horsemen on the Pacific coast through his association with his brothers Frank and David, foremost among Portland's owners of trotting and pacing campaigners.

For nearly two years Mr. Anderson had been a sufferer from locomotor ataxia in a certain measure, though up to some few weeks ago he had missed but very little time from his business affairs. In April he came to this city for a course of special treatment and was able to be up and around the greater portion of the time, spending several days at Pleasanton, where he had many friends and where the horses owned by his brother Frank (the pacers Imbro 2:12¼ and Jim Hill 2:09¼) were in training in the stable of Marvin Childs. Gradually, however, in spite of all that could be done for him, the gravity of his condition increased and on Sunday, May 24, he entered the hospital which he was not to leave alive.

For some time Mr. Anderson had realized that his opportunity for recovery was very slight, but he never grew morbid from brooding over the dark outlook, nor lost entirely his natural cheerfulness. He repeatedly asserted that he would prefer to pass away quickly than to linger along for months in a hopeless condition, and at various times of consciousness during his confinement realized that he had entered upon the final stage of his journey through life. His brother Frank was with him here most of the time, and Mrs. Anderson arrived some days prior to her husband's death and was with him to the end. The body was removed to Portland Monday for interment.

GOOD FIELDS AT COLUMBUS.

No. 1—Hoster-Columbus Breweries, 2:14 Trotters, Value $10,000.—Belzona, Lettie Lee, Todd Temple, Tommy Todd, Montferris, Billy Mead, Miss Directed, Lusitania, Mawitza, Eclear Kurtz, Slip Past, Brooklyn Hal, Peter Scott, Sadie S., Mirthful, Great Isle, Peter Johnson, Binola, Mabel Trask, Miss Rilda, Russian Dame, Princess Welcome, Allerta, Loe Blossom, McCloskey, Ames Albingen.

No. 2—The Capital City, 2:08 Trotters, Value $3000.—Junior Watts, Reusens, Victor Star, Linda Wrona, Par McKerron, Grand Marshall, Bronson, Bonington, Wilgo, Lizzie Brown, Axtien, Bright Axworthy, Lulu Lumine, Peter Scott, Worthy Prince, Lady Grattan, Fair Virginia, J. Malcolm Forbes, Dorsh Medium, Lee Axworthy, Pass All, King Clansman, Lucille Spier, Peter McCormick, Dean Swift, Duchess, Albaloma, Baby Doll, John Mack.

No. 3—The Hartman Hotel, 2:13 Pacers, Value $5000.—Mary S., Judge Ormonde, Altawood, Belle Rex, Baby Bertha, Thistle Patch, Bingen Pointer, Lustrous McKinney, Miss Miriam, Colonel Echo, Hal S., Peter Farren, Jean, Derby Custer, Aconite, Camelia, Clara Walker, Rella E., Presolite, Budd Elliott, Hal Connor, Goldie C., O. U. C., Hal Boy.

No. 4—The King, 2:06 Pacers, Value $3000.—Nutmoor, Harry The Ghost, Our Colonel, Queen Abbess, Single G., Beth Clark, Judge Ormonde, Altawood, Dr. Burns Jr., Anna Carll, Lelia Patchen, Russell Boy, The Beaver, Mary E. Pick, Major Ong, Hal S., Peter Farren, Baron A., Tommy D., Rastus, Walnut Grove, Rose Equity.

No. 5—The Buckeye, 2:12 Trotters, Value $5,000.—Tom Smith, Junior Watts, Nathan Axworthy, Evelyn D., Belzona, Lettie Lee, Todd Temple, Tommy Todd, Bida, Victor Star, Montferris, Billy Mead, Lewis Dillon, Lettie Hall, Bronson, Lusitania, Mawitza, Lou Jennings, John R. Dillon, Virginia Brooks, Peter Scott, Sadie S., Mirthful, Margaret Parrish, Peter Johnson, Worthy Prince, Baron Aberdeen, Alice McGregor, Miss Rilda, Russian Dame, The Guide, Princess Welcome, Pass All, Miss Directed, Allerta, Loe Blossom, Adbell, Laramie Lad, John Mack.

No. 6—Chamber of Commerce, 2:09 Trotters, Value $3,000.—Hesperus Chimes, Linda Wrona, Par McKerron, Grand Marshall, Lizzie Brown, Newzel, Lulu Lumine, Bright Axworthy, Peter Scott, Lady Grattan, Fair Virginia, J. Malcolm Forbes, Dorsh Medium, King Clansman, Peter McCormick, Albaloma.

No. 7—The Arch City, 2:10 Pacers, Value $3,000.—Hal Boy, Periolat, Queen Abbess, Donald B., Josie B., Patrick M., Dwight Logan, Fred Mack, Thistle Patch, Judge Ormonde, Rex Heart, The Importer, Anna Carll, Bingen Pointer, Russell Boy, Prince B., Lustrous McKinney, Miss Miriam, Colonel Echo, The Beaver, Major Ong, Peter Farren, Jean, Dustless McKinney, Camelia, B. M., Present Queen, Budd Elliott, Presolite, Hal Connor, O. U. C., Walnut Grove.

No. 8—The Board of Trade, 2:07 Pacers, Value $3000—Our Colonel, Single G., Tommy D., Beth Clark, Judge Ormonde, Altawood, Baby Bertha, The Climax, Major Ong, Hal S., Derby Custer, Aconite, B. M., Hal Plex, Rastus, Walnut Grove, Rose Equity.

T. R. Murphy of Portland, who handles a number of race prospects occasionally and deals considerably in mules and draft horses, has been in this vicinity of late, taking in the fair and incidentally keeping one eye peeled for bargains in army horse material.

Ted Hayes, now a sedate and substantial "business man" of Butte, has been among the exposition visitors of late, spending the greater portion of his time with his numerous friends in the vicinity of the race track. Ted came to Los Angeles from his Montana stronghold a few weeks ago in order to put the finishing touches on the prep of Bon Courage (2) 2:12¾ for the exposition trots, but decided that the lad would hardly be ready for the first meeting and declared him out of his engagements for that event, though he hopes to have him in good shape for the fall session. With the exception of Virginia Barnette none of the present crop of juvenile trotters on the coast have shown as much natural "lick" as Bon Courage, and Ted's friends are hoping that he will be in condition to start in his late engagements and do himself full justice, as he should by all indications be far better than a 2:10 trotter.

AUTO PARTY HAS CLOSE CALL.

The Chicago contingent in attendance at the June race meeting at the exposition have promised the spectators some genuine thrills when they hook up with the free-for-all and 2:06 pacers with Doctor Burns Jr., but no matter what the doughty Doctor does, the thrills administered to the crowd will not be so absolutely hair-raising as the one given to his managing owner and trainer, with their wives, while en route to this city from their winter home in Los Angeles.

Now when the rear guard of the Angeleno invaders headed for their position in the trenches, Messrs. Watkins, Carnathan and McQuitty were satisfied to take the "kivered kars" for theirs, but Messrs. and Mesdames A. G. Ireland and Al Whitney decided they would derive more genuine enjoyment from the journey by making it by auto through the gorgeous scenic settings for which California is famous, so they set forth bravely in Sam Watkins' car, with Ireland at the helm. All went well until Wednesday afternoon, when the whole party had an experience that they do not care to repeat.

They were well toward the summit of the pass across the Santa Lucia range this side of San Luis Obispo, and started to pull around a team and wagon just as another team started to pass the same from the opposite direction, the driver throwing up his hand in the stop signal. Mr. Ireland immediately brought the car to a halt, but the brake failed to operate and in a second the heavy machine had started down grade, gathering speed momentarily. The ladies and Mr. Whitney managed to jump, but Mr. Ireland couldn't get in the clear and went off the grade with the machine for a downward shoot of some seventy or eighty feet. By the grace of good fortune the car remained upright and landed solidly against a tree, the only thing that saved a plunge of hundreds of feet that could have meant nothing less than death to the driver.

By the aid of tackle and power supplied by the teams and the party's ingenuity the car was put back on the road and towed to San Luis Obispo, where the needed emergency repairs were made and the quartette resumed their journey, completing it safely after a twenty-four hour delay. Save for a few scratches and bruises no ill effects were experienced, but none of them care to try the tumble over again just for the fun of it.

More Pacing Blood in the Trotter

Seattle, May 17, 1915.

Editor Breeder and Sportsman:

I have read the several articles published in The Horse Review and The American Horse Breeder regarding the pacing blood in the trotter, and after reading Mr. Hervey's latest on that subject I am reminded of a sale held in Portland, Oregon, some ten years ago by C. X. Larabee, at which sale a chestnut filly named Zircon by Vice Regent was sold to James Anderson of Victoria, B. C.

Now to begin with, Vice Regent was a full brother to Prince Regent, a respectable trotter, also full brother to Heir at Law, a respectable trotter and also a respectable pacer and sire of Minor Heir 1:58¼, pacing. Zircon's dam, if I remember correctly, was a daughter of Alcone, a trotter of strictly trotting lineage. Zircon was a trotting bred mare, bred by a man who did not like pacers and often told me so.

Well, Zircon was a trotter with quite a lot of lick but was a high strung, rearing, plunging filly who had three qualifications—she could gallop fast, walk fast and trot fast, but could not pace nor did she ever show any pacing symptoms, for I had many wild rides behind her around the roads of East Portland and on the old Irvington track while she was in my stable, as Mr. Anderson left her with James Misner, who was working for me, his assistant being the late Butch Gunderson.

Well, Mr. Anderson failed to pay Mr. Larabee for Zircon and Mr. Larabee was in a quandary as to what to do with her. I went up to his hotel one evening while in Portland and we talked about Zircon and I suggested that she be bred to Hal B. 2:04¼. Well, my friend Larabee was offended to think that I would ask him to breed a beautifully bred trotting mare to a pacer and a non standard one at that, but I stuck to my point and said, "Zircon is an erratic, foolish filly, well bred, and her sire being a full brother to Heir-at-Law, pacing 2:05¼, it is possible the foal from Zircon and Hal B. may be a champion." Mr. Larabee said "No," but I hung on till he finally said, "Well, you win; go and do as you like and I will pay the bill." I went out to my stable, sent for Harry Ossman, the man who had Hal B. in charge for Paul Wissinger, the owner, and had Zircon served by Hal B.

She produced from that mating the trotting mare Hallie B. 2:24¼. Now Hallie B. was foaled a pure gaited trotter and has raced as a trotter and as a two-year-old was a good trotter and is still a good trotter, and while she has never done anything sensational she is a trotter with enough speed to be pretty well up when the winner was going right around 2:08, and I am sure that if her early education had been given under real first class auspices she would have been a very fast trotter.

Well, the fact remains that her dam was trotting bred and a trotter by instinct; her sire was a pacer and a good one, a good sire of pacers, sired by a pacer and a sire of good pacers; moreover, her sire was out of a mare by a son of that Indiana sire Blue Bull. Now Blue Bull has of late been given a lot of cutting and slashing by the critics—possibly he deserved it for ever having been alive—but here comes Hallie B., a trotter, and she has a chance to be a fast trotter; she is by Hal B., a pacer; Hal B. is by a pacer and out of just a mare by an obscure pacing son of pacing Blue Bull, and Hallie B. had for a dam a trotter by an aristocratic trotting bred sire. Now, why does Hallie B. trot?

Yours truly,

C. A. HARRISON.

M. E. Penrose of the Windsor Dairy, Denver, made a trip to the coast recently to supervise the selling of a big consignment of registered Holsteins from his establishment, incidentally coming on to San Francisco to take in the fair. Mr. Penrose found the livestock department and the track claimed a good deal of his time, as he is a lover of the trotter and has at present in training at Denver two first-rate prospects in the mares Windsor Direct by Baron Direct, dam Cecil Woodline by Woodline, and Windsor Belle 2:22 by Sherman Bell. Mr. Penrose enjoyed the workouts at the exposition track while here and the only regret his trip aroused was by reason of its brevity, business at home preventing him from remaining for the June meeting.

Some Recent Telegrams Which We Have Not Received

Honolulu, June 1, 1915.—The renewed and extraordinary activity apparent today on the part of the large corps of divers and naval experts who for some weeks past have been engaged in endeavoring to raise the sunken submarine, F-4, caused considerable curiosity among the general public, so much that in answer to various inquiries the engineers in charge authorized the following statement:

"We wish to state for the benefit of all concerned that the 'steam' which we are putting into our operations at present does not arise from our own free will and accord, as we are government employees, and would not willingly do anything to cast discredit upon the inefficiency of the service under ordinary conditions, and as palliation for our unprecedented actions in putting in two full days' work of four hours each, in succession, we will say that we are actuated solely by a desire to extend a favor to a gentleman with whom many of us have enjoyed an acquaintance while visiting the races, at various times in the past, when on shore leave in California ports, Mr. Charles Amiability Durfee.

"Mr. Durfee has somewhat of an unusual task before him in the training of the race horse Horseshoe Boy, generally accredited as being the largest trotter in captivity, at least on the Pacific coast. In the days of the high wheeled sulky the task of seeing the way in front of him would have been less of a problem to the driver, but Mr. Durfee is nothing if not progressive and his pronounced preference for the modern, low-hung bike has put him in a precarious condition, as, seated in such a rig, the veritable mountain of horseflesh before his eyes shuts off all chance of seeing where or how to drive. Mr. Durfee has appealed to the naval department for aid in solving his difficulties in this matter, and this delicate compliment to the service is the direct cause of our seemingly unpardonable activity.

"With the F-4 on the surface her superstructure can be readily and safely removed, and we are arranging now to send to Mr. Durfee by aerial express the major portions of the periscope of the ill-fated submarine. Immediately upon their arrival in San Francisco a corps of engineers from the Mare Island Navy Yard will proceed to make the proper adjustments and alterations of the same that will permit of its attachment to Mr. Durfee's favorite sulky. With this innovation perfected Mr. Durfee will have an unobstructed view of the surroundings that will relieve him from worry as to what may or may not be in the path of his hay-destroyer and allow him to devote his entire skill and energy to obtaining the highest rate of speed of which the Boy is capable.

"We wish further to state that our efforts of the two days last passed have been rewarded by great progress and we are much encouraged. While both men and officers are tonight greatly fatigued, the work will be renewed promptly at an early hour tomorrow, in all probability not later than ten-fifty-nine, and will be prosecuted with unabated vigor until one-forty-three, unless the corps is utterly exhausted before that time. We realize that we are violating some of the most sacred precedents and traditions of the governmental service, but we plead the existence of an imminent emergency, arising from the sacred call of friendship."

Cleveland, Ohio, June 3, 1915.—As I can see no chance for Dr. Burns Jr. in the 2:06 classes I wish you would see if you can find me a buyer for him at a hundred dollars, fifty commission to you. I know he is a pacer but a stallion as intensely trotting bred as he is ought to be a sire and I hope you can dispose of him to some good man. Two minute performers bred like he is were a rarity even in the palmiest days of J. C. Simpson or S. W. Parlin. If my price is too high, shade it a little or offer to pay express on horse to any point in the United States south of Key West.

Yours for business,

W. P. LEECH.

Rockport, Ohio, May 31, 1915.—I wish to state that Mr. Robert S. Strader of Lexington will preside at our race meeting at this place again this fall, this course having been decided upon owing to the popularity of some of his rulings last season, our decision being strengthened by the firm stand taken by the parent association in backing up Mr. Strader, though perhaps we should say "in backing Mr. Strader up." Such concerted action on the part of judges and the N. T. A. is the best thing in the world for the good of the sport. Would suggest that you use your influence with P.-P. I. E. officials to have Strader at once appointed presiding judge of November meeting, wiring me confirmation of same, in which case I can guarantee entries from a certain Cleveland trainer in the big stake and all classes to which a 2:05 trotter with a mark of 2:13¼ is eligible.

Yours sincerely,

A FRIEND IN EARNEST.

Chicago, May 31, 1915.—A crowd estimated variously from one to two million was present at the West Side track today to witness the matinee harness races held there, a matinee at which all records for speed at this season of the year went by the boards, no less than ten new 2:10 performers appearing as a result of the day's festivities. Not the least interesting of the afternoon's performances was that of a green trotter in the stable of Napoleon Plantagenet Emanuel Hohenzollern, who started for a record in a special event against time. When the starter gave the word the bold going fellow fairly boiled to the quarter in :33, stewed to the half in 1:09, simmered to the three-quarters in 1:48 and came home well done in two minutes, twenty-nine and fifteen-sixteenths seconds. The performance is all the more remarkable owing to the fact that the horse is but eight years old and was never trained until a weanling past.

From a social standpoint, also, the event was a great success, many of our society leaders entertaining friends in private boxes, beautifully decorated. Motor and tallyho parties were much in evidence, prominent among the latter being a jolly, congenial sextette composed of Messrs. J. C. Bauer, Charles Downing, D. J. Campau, Jimmy Tranter, Bob Strader and Vance Nuckols. They prolonged their celebration of Memorial Day well into the evening, dining at Hinky Dink's chop suey joint and afterwards revelling in the presentation of a silent drama entitled "The Lion and the Lamb," or "The Love of David and Jonathan."

The day was marred by but one untoward event, the departure of Magnus Flaws on a tour of western exploration. This intrepid adventurer, who has followed to its lair many of the most wary and elusive pedigrees known to the modern world, has, against the advice of friends and relatives, steeled himself for a journey to the uttermost confines of the country, the little fishing hamlet of San Francisco, perched precariously upon the rockbound southern point of the heads that form the fabled Golden Gate. The hardy pioneer contemplates making the journey and return, but such grave fears were apprehended for his future that many downcast friends bade him a sorrowful, perhaps a final, farewell.

Memphis, June 1, 1915.—I didn't intend coming out to the exposition race meeting, but I see by the accounts sent out by the publicity department that I will be there with all the Hamlin horses. Doggone the luck, I hate to make any man out a liar so I reckon you'd better act as my agent and enter the Hamlin stable clear through the program. The 2:13 trot is still open and I want Belle Hamlin in that sure. If you all can arrange to get me in that three-year-old trot I reckon Fantasy ought to be right good, so get her in if you can. Enter the balance of them as you think best, and don't overlook The Abbott for the free-for-all trots. Doggone them ol' mountains, I don't like 'em, but I reckon the altitude won't bother this bunch of hosses much.

As ever,

ED F. GEERS.

P. S.—Doggone, I forgot to say that if I bring these hosses, Mr. Hamlin will come along, but don't reserve any box unless you hear from me.—E. F. G.

All Ready For The Exposition Trots

These must be nice, quiet days at Pleasanton now, and Sam and Soga, the smiling little Japs who have been putting in long hours providing for the keen outdoor appetites of a big army of caretakers and trainers, must be wearing relieved smiles of the genuine variety in these times of ease, as the Pleasanton colony almost made it unanimous when it came to a matter of moving to the exposition.

Sutherland & Chadbourne's stable of seven came down Saturday and have had numerous trips over the local track during the week. Zorene 2:10¼ and Zoetrix, the mares by Zolock 2:05¼, have both paced around 2:08 this year, and the green pacer A. B. C. went the route at Pleasanton in 2:08¾. Bon Cres (3) 2:10¼ and Trix McAdrian worked in the ten mark before coming down, and Harold C. has been but a second away from it. Vallejo King was also brought down but has not had much asked of him since his recent operation. Fred gets a number of starts early in the fun and his horses have not been sent along any faster for the full route than they were going at home, though they have all had stiff work and some fast brushes.



PETER McCORMICK 2:08¾—SHULER UP.

The balance of the bunch planned to come Monday, but ran foul of a holiday, so decided to stay at home and work Tuesday and come to the city Wednesday, arriving in time to jog everything and get fairly well located before nightfall. Railey Macey, with the horses of the International 1:55 establishment, had the largest string of this shipment and occupies most of the south row of stalls in barn six. Much to the disappointment of both Messrs. Macey and Savage their horses have been more affected by the change of climate than most of the others, probably owing to their custom of being stabled in winter in steam heated quarters, and they will in all probability be in much better shape to put up a hard race at the fall meeting. Nevertheless, Railey has his charges looking and acting well, and has a good deal of speed on tap. Princess Patch, substituted for Dazzle Patch, has beaten ten at Pleasanton and Electric Patch, their four-year-old trotter, has gone the route nicely in 2:10¼. Buzz Patch and Jean Arion have both trialed in 2:11 and the other aged members of the stable have shown in fifteen or better. They have two nice junevile pacers, the three-year-olds Agnes Patch who has made the circuit in 2:17 with a half in 1:07, and the two-year-old Judith Patch, who has been in 2:26 with a half in 1:09.

Marvin Childs showed Hal Boy to a number of interested parties Wednesday afternoon, and the big little pacer looks fit as can be for the scrap for the big stakes. Hal Boy has raced a whole lot on bull rings and wears about as little as any pacer in the business, two things that are not going to work to his disadvantage in the least in the exposition events. He is pretty well regarded as a one-two proposition in the big stake and has worked at Pleasanton in 2:07, 2:06¼ and 2:08, while Marvin's other pacer, Lizzie Dillon, has turned the trick in 2:07, with a repeat in the same notch. Tom Smith has trotted in ten.

Marvin's Montana patrons got cold feet from some unknown source, and have declared Blue Finch and R. C. H. out of their local engagements and a representative is expected daily to arrive to accompany the pair on their homeward journey. Both have done wonderfully well in Marvin's hands during the months he has had them and had developed into 2:10 trotters, R. C. H. having gone the route in even figures and Blue Finch in 2:11. They go home in the best kind of shape and if their owners are planning to hold them over they should be good campaigners next season.

The Canadian contingent also arrived Wednesday, though the advance guard composed of Messrs. Carson, Rochon and Savage had previously "registered" in the city. Before leaving the MacKenzie plant Barney Barnes had ridden in 2:06 with College Gent and 2:09 with Strathtell, so somebody can "look a little out" for this Irishman when he goes to the bat a la Knapsack McCarty. Will Fleming also has something up his sleeve for some unsuspecting sucker, as he has worked The Beaver in 2:07, Tropic Dawn in 2:11 and Seneca Boy in 2:12, with more to come. Will's fastest ride this year has been a mile in 2:05 behind Joe Patchen II, and very probably he will have the mount behind his old pupil in the free-for-all pace, in which case there will be some fair moving, as Will seems to be on the inside with the big fellow.

The Hemet, Borden and McKiernan car from San Jose came in Monday but was "marooned" in the yards owing to the "holiday" until Tuesday, when it was spotted at the exposition chute and the horses safely unloaded. Much to Mr. Doble's disappointment Wilbur Lou was not in shape for a hard race so was left at San Jose with the youngsters that were not entered here. Kinney de Lopez, Mr. Doble's aged trotter, has worked handily in 2:11 and is one of the nicest gaited fellows on the grounds—also a nice headed one, as Mr. Doble, who at this time of life is no Samson, generally drives him without the use of handloops on the lines. Hemet showed over the San Jose track in 2:08¼, so that he seems to have the steam as of old, and Blackwell has been in 2:15 with both his three-year-old stake prospects, the trotting filly Allie Lou (2) 2:25 and the pacing colt Oro Lou.

John Quinn brought up four in his section of the car, headed by that consistent campaigner Albaloma, who has been taking his work nicely this spring and who looks fit for the fray. John hasn't buzzed him quite as fast as some of the other trotters have been going, but he has given him a raft of work from 2:10¼ to 2:14; that he has his speed was attested Wednesday the first time John cut out the muffler for the trip through the lane at the exposition track, the lad negotiating that fast bit of footing in a flat twenty-nine seconds. Baby Doll, who is the stable's substitute for Albaloma in the big trotting stakes, has had a bit of trouble recently with an abscess on her jaw that caused her to miss a bit of work, but she is in good shape at that. Saturday she had four heats below 2:16, and Wednesday worked this track in 2:13½. John will start Sheldon B. in the three-year-old pace and has progressed to a mile in 2:16½ with him; Major's By Guy, the green trotter that showed so well this spring, has been declared out of his June engagements but will probably be O. K. for fall, as he has practically recovered now from the slight ailment that caused his let-up.

Mr. Borden decided Lock Lomond would hardly be up to a hard race this early in the season and was on the market for a pacer, but failed to "mak connections." Margot Hal came to his attention, bu as he and Mr. McDonald couldn't get together o price they compromised by an arrangement whereb she will race in Mr. Borden's colors in the 2:06 pac on getaway day, with the redoubtable Alonzo doin the teaming.

Joe McKiernan was a bit dubious about his fu pacer, Casey Jones, when he first landed, but h took kindly to the exposition track and worked i Wednesday for Tim Sexton in 2:14¾, with a half i 1:05, which is not so worse for an "amachure."

The drag of the Los Angeles winter colony drifte in on the breeze one afternoon late last week—Littl Bernice 2:06¼, Homer Mac 2:06¼, John Mac 2:12¼, Bessie Custer and the eagerly awaited Dr Burns Jr. 2:04¼. Sam Watkins has been scullin Little Bernice over the course here and had her le down to about 2:06 before shipping; Sam will d the driving in her races here as the sport was on thing he entered for, and when he sends a lift alon the lines he gets about as much response as the nex one. Homer Mac is husky as a beef bull and look dangerous in any company up to 2:04, or perhap faster. "Long Jim" stayed at home until near rac day in order to continue training operations, an Kelley has been working the big Petigru pacer pend ing Stewart's arrival. John Mack and Bessie Cus ter have not been quite so good here, so far, as the were at Los Angeles, but they will probably furnis some hot competition when the races start, whil Dr. Burns Jr. seems to have plenty of sizzle, a shown by a quarter in :28½ on the end of a mil around 2:11. He is a bit touchy in his bum fin an the dope may be spilled all over the beach wher they take him in the free-for-all and the 2:06 paces but he still looks to have the class of the field.

About everybody is on deck at this writing (Thurs day morning) that is known positively to be headed this way with the exception of Ben Walker and Joe Jones, the Fresno delegation not having been heard from. Ben intended shipping Monday but failed to land and Joe was down Sunday looking things over and getting accommodations for a "bush pacer" named in honor of his daughter. Some of you may have had some acquaintance with this sidewheeler parading under the name of Leata J., and from the way she is performing at present you may know her better in the near future, as she worked the Stockton track Saturday in :31, 1:01½, 1:33½, 2:04¼, the fastest mile that has been shown this year in any state.

While the newcomers have been getting their traps located in their new quarters and jogging horses fresh from the cars, most of the former members of the fraternity present have been indulging in rides anywhere from 2:11 down. Jim Logan worked a pair of miles last Saturday right in the neighborhood of 2:05¾, which up to this time stand as the local record—unless somebody prized up a little cain Thursday morning—Dan and Lock Logan have taken things easy in 2:12, and Booze has turned 2:09½. Saturday morning he came around the turn rolling and feeling for the hobbles—which he found. Elmo landed in the clear but jarred the joints of his legs a bit, managing to keep on his feet and qualifying as one man who was able to get Booze down, reversing the usual formula.

Harry Dowling traveled three miles better than ten Saturday with Clara Mac 2:04½, and worked Robert Bingen, who starts in the 2:30 trot on opening day, in 2:14. Ruth Ansel went the route for him in 2:19 and he showed a nifty candidate for this fall's two-year-old events when Sadie Ansel trotted in 2:22.

George Nugent with Dr. D. C. and Princess Louise, his Del Coronado trotters, has had some nice rides around 2:14 and some fast quarters, both in the lane and getting away from the wire, traveling both ends right at a two-minute clip. V. L. Shuler and Peter McCormick make their debut Saturday in the 2:08 trot, and are no strangers to the exposition footing, having gone all the way in 2:09 and repeat in 2:08¼. Just how good this pair is remains to be seen, but they look like a real team to the railbirds. John Gwynne has not been asked to beat fifteen since his arrival, and Fleeta Dillon, while pacing for Millard in 2:08, will probably be switched to trotting again after this meeting, as she developed a good deal of speed at that way of going formerly and seems less fussy at the trot. Peter Howard is working the trotter that Millard has been training for him, and has been in sixteen with him. Matawan is knocking at the door of the select company room for Hans Frellson, with a mile in 2:11½.

San Felipe is showing some of his old time form for Charley Durfee, and has been beating ten whenever called on, with a half in 1:03 and quarters in :30, the latter trick being something that the big lad does in a pretty convincing way. Charley and Twinkling Dan have an argument occasionally and the pacer is getting some long works, which don't hurt him any, and paces fast when he decides to do so. Carleta, the Hagan two-year-old, carried C. A. around the course Tuesday in 2:23½ with a half in 1:10, but Carl, who has a sore finger just now, hasn't been stepped fast. Tim Sexton's I. W. W. trotter is round-

ing to and Charley let him down to a couple of miles in 2:24 and 2:23 Wednesday.

Lon McDonald's "individual" string seems to have a jinx tied to 'em, as Hallmark, McCloskey and Baron Todd are all a bit off from one thing or another, but McCloskey will start in the big trot, in all probability, and his other engagements as well, as his bit of lameness doesn't seem to worry him much. Laramie Lad and Hedgewood Patchen have both done 2:10 even recently, Adbell M. 2:11½, Baron Todd 2:16, The Duchess 2:08½, Star Winter 2:09, Margot Hal 2:08 and Miss Harris M. 2:10¼. This lassie nods a little, but pays no attention to it, apparently, and Alonzo regards her very highly as a candidate for the year's championship among her kind. Lon is also working S. Christenson's two-year-old trotter, Natalday, and the youngster has come steadily for him, trotting this week in 2:24 with a quarter in :33½.

Lon has had his fastest ride so far behind Loe Blossom, the mare he came very nearly owning last fall at Phoenix when her purchase by Mr. Peterson was hanging in the balance. Frank Childs warmed her a few miles Wednesday morning, driving her one in 2:09½, and then turned her over to McDonald "to let her step along a little." Lon really didn't mean it, but the mare slid away so easily that he was going faster than he thought, hanging up a new record for trotters, at this track, of 2:06½. The chestnut mare is a real trot horse and is showing Grand Circuit calibre of a high order just now; she is liable to keep on showing it, too, for she has had enough hard times in the past to have placed any ordinary lady on the shelf for life. She is going to prove real bothersome to some one both here and down east. Nor is she the only keg of sizzle that Frank has tapped, as he has ridden behind Bon Guy in 2:14, Jim Hill in 2:12 and Imbro in 2:09, while one of the early part of the week's nicest workouts was that of the S. S. Bailey pacer, O. U. C., who reeled off three sparkling miles Tuesday in 2:07¼, 2:07, 2:08, going both ends of different miles better than thirty seconds.

Spriggan worked Tuesday for Will DeRyder in 2:10, 2:09¼, 2:08½, and his owners can cash him right now for several times his cost, but are a bit inclined to risk owning him, as they are not in much on him and he looks to have a fair earning capacity here, entered in the main stake at both meetings and a number of class events. Dicto appears to have retrograded a bit, as 2:10 seems as much labor here as 2:08 was for him at Pleasanton. When Brother Charley came down he brought Asa Pointer for Will, and all asked of him so far is a mile in twelve. Incidentally, while speaking of Brother Charley, there was a story making the rounds Wednesday and Thursday that this lad had "shooed" Madame Mack under the wire Wednesday morning in 2:05½, but Charley stands firm on a figure three seconds slower. No matter who's a liar (and we are strong for Charley's watch owing to the fact that he is too big for us to think of tackling in a scrap) the fact remains that the Expressive Mac lady is working very nicely indeed. Joseph P. Patchen the two-eyed has 2:08½ to his credit in a stiff wind, Zomblack a like figure, California B. 2:15 and Sis Bodaker, Charley's 1916 stake model, 2:17. Miss Perfection trotted like a race horse Tuesday in 2:12 by DeRyder's watch, though the sea-gull clockers gave her a better credit, around 2:11, as she went away a bit behind Dan Logan and Frank Perry and they couldn't outfoot her to the wire, their mile being in an even twelve. For Charley, Maymack has made the trip in 2:10¼. and for A. W. Longley, who may drive her in the free-for-all trot in the absence of R. J. MacKenzie, in 2:12, behaving like a perfect lady.

Bert Webster gave Frank Perry a seven heat work Tuesday with four of the trips below 2:13, and later in the week rode in 2:20 behind his three-year-old stake pacer, Rodney Patchen. The Perry horse is standing up fine for Bert. Al Ruthen has decided to start only Walnut Grove at the early meeting, but has him well engaged and well prepped, up to a mile in 2:08 over this dirt, with a half in 1:01, a quarter in :28½ and an eighth in :13¾. You heard us right the first time, and don't overlook this black fellow when you see him.

Red Rock has been coming rapidly for Joe McGuire and paced around 2:10 during the week, with several trips through the lane in 29 to 30 seconds, while Direct Line, though not asked to go quite as fast as he showed last week, has had a lot of healthy work in about the same notch. A. R. G. and Monk are coming steadily but a bit more slowly, and with Peter E., his three-year-old trotter, Joe has ridden in 2:23½. Charley Silva shows Teddy Bear to good advantage every Sunday by annexing a free-for-all pace in the matinees, and Kid Cupid also got the brackets Sunday. Will Ivey has ridden right at the ten mark since coming here with Moko Hall, the season's first 2:10 trotter, and Donald showed three miles better than 2:11 early in the week. Jim Donnelley, Frank Wright's mount in the amateur classes, is working nicely for Will in 2:11¼, with repeats in like time.

Charley Spencer has ridden in 2:09¼ this week behind both his aged trotters, The Proof and Bonnie Ansel, giving them a number of heats from that figure to 2:11, and they both stand well with the railbirds. Charley also promises to be real troublesome in that two-year-old trot, too, as The Expense has worked this track for him in 2:21 and seemed to have some left; she is a fine sized, rich colored filly and comes in for a lot of fussing over from the visitors, as she differs from her dad by having the nicest kind of a disposition both in harness and out.

One of the nicest workouts that Will Durfee has had this year was on Tuesday with Virginia Barnette. The lass had a number of fair miles, and the most pleasing one was in company with Dicto and Will DeRyder, Donald and Will Ivey, Bonnie Ansel and Charley Spencer. Durfee went away in the bunch and placed the Moko filly everywhere at some portion of the mile, putting her in the ruck, going around the field, taking back again, and finally coming home in 2:10½ on even terms with the leaders. All of the quartette are short on racing experience, but they behaved like old campaigners. Esperanza for some reason is less steady than of yore in her work, but has all her speed when on the trot. Durfee's pacing queen, White Sox—queen that is to be, he hopes—is doing everything asked in an impressive manner and his youngsters number some real stars, as their races will show when the time comes.

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A brief and hurried note from C. A. Harrison, devoid of details, brings the sad tiding of the death of John McClintock in Southern California Saturday afternoon. Only pure grit and love has kept Mr. McClintock alive for months past, and the news of his passing was not unexpected. Through the assistance of horsemen friends some measure of comfort and relief was added to his closing days, and they will join with us in expressing to his devoted wife, who survives him, our most profound sympathy and respect.

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Messrs. Ed Peterson and Tom Dennison arrived in the city from Omaha Thursday morning and are more than enthusiastic over the condition shown of late by the Peterson candidates for the big trotting and pacing stakes both here and on the Grand Circuit—Loe Blossom and Hal Boy. They arrived too late to see the former trot the local track in 2:06½ in her work, but will be on deck to see her in all her races, when she may trot a bit faster.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Savage and son Harold, with Mrs. Savage's sister, Miss Bean, came in from Southern California Thursday on the Lark and will remain here for some weeks. The party is in the best of health and have been enjoying their California sojourn immensely.

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Pleasanton is not yet "strapped" for speed if these recent workouts are any guide:—Grattan Boy in 2:08½, last half in 1:01¼; George N. Patterson (3) 2:09¾ trotting; Tango (3) 2:12½ trotting; Surety (2) 2:18½ pacing, with a half in 1:06½, and Verna McKinney (2) 2:19 pacing and repeat in 2:18. Hardly!

DON PRONTO MAKES FAVORABLE IMPRESSION

Letters arriving by recent mails from the lands across the Pacific tell of the safe arrival of Don Pronto 2:02¼ in his new home in Australia. The first of the epistles, mailed from Papeete, tell of good weather and calm seas to that port, with all on board doing nicely, but from New Zealand on the story was different. For five days, according to Will Green's account, things looked squally for Don in the heavy seas as they broke over the Moana, the engine room becoming flooded at one time to a point that sent the stokers to the decks in a hurry. Port was finally made in safety on April 28, and the horse was placed in quarantine for the customary period. Twice en route, at Papeete and at a New Zealand port, the steamer was at the docks long enough for the Don to be unloaded for a night's rest, and he arrived in excellent shape.

Dr. Simpson, the owner, was on hand at Sidney to meet his new purchase and immediately proceeded to fall very much in love with him. In quarantine the Don has had many admiring visitors, and so well pleased are the Australians with him that the owners of Ribbonwood 2:09, the island continent's premier sire, are said to be seriously contemplating his purchase, for use as an outcross for Ribbonwood mares in their breeding operations.

Green, who has been in the employ of Dr. Simpson since his arrival in Sidney, writes glowingly of the situation there and is much pleased with that portion of the country he has seen so far. He describes it as "the greatest horse country ever," and every week seems to be race week. The war does not interfere with their customary sports to any great extent, and Willie is inclined, at present at least, to tie up and call it home. He sends regards to all the boys from the bushes to the big line and asks any who are interested in Australia to write him in care of Dr. R. C. Simpson, Armidale, New South Wales.

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The English government is still buying horses at the Denver market and is loading out from 800 to 1,000 head a week to Montreal for shipment over the water. Seventy per cent of these purchases are for the artillery, five years old or better, and weighing from 1,100 to 1,400 pounds for which $185 is paid for everything accepted. The other thirty per cent is made up of cavalry mounts weighing from 1050 to 1150 pounds, 15.1 to 15.3 in height, for which $135 is paid. The contractors send the rejects out to pasture near town and after they are bloomed up a bit they are brought back and submitted again for inspection. The other day twenty-four carloads of Idaho stock arrived and the most of the stuff was taken. They seem to like old plow horses with shoulder galls which show they have been used to hard pulling.—Field and Farm.



THE DUCHESS 2:07¼—McDONALD UP

WAR HORSE PRICES STIFFENING.

Prominent horse dealers who have been selling horses to the warring governments of Europe asserted yesterday that the demand for remounts had not declined in any particular since the beginning of the war, army officers representing the governments of France, England, Belgium and Russia still being spread over the horse centres of the country actively engaged in passing on stock brought before them for inspection and possible purchase. In fact, it was stated that the entry of Italy into the war would in a measure stimulate horse buying. Military officers representing the Italian Government have been in this country for some time making purchases of horses, and several large shipments have already been made, while in the outlying sections of the city thousands of horses were being quartered until steamers could be secured to transport them to Italy.

It was reported from Chicago yesterday that agents of the British, French and Belgian governments were ordered to hasten horses to the Atlantic seaboard, and that the work of inspecting horses is being carried on day and night. It is stated that the accelerated demand for horses had resulted in advance in the price on artillery stock, which is now bringing $200 per head, against $160 per head paid recently. In the local market it was reported that a contract for 25,000 horses had been closed for shipment to one of the Allied nations, the consignment having a value close to $5,000,000.

In the local horse markets much activity is witnessed during the morning hours when, with the streets clear, the horses are taken out for wind tests. The agents of the Allied governments have, up to the past few weeks, been very strict as to the type of horse they purchased, and as a result rejections, it is stated, have averaged as high as 75 horses out of each 100 offered. The horse dealers have felt that the time would come when animals rejected for minor imperfections would be wanted by the foreign agents, and it was stated yesterday that the continued drain on the stock of horses in this country had brought the situation to a stage where the foreign agents were being forced to purchase horses previously disqualified or limit their purchases to an amount entirely insufficient for the wants of their governments.

It was stated yesterday that the specifications first laid down by the foreign horse buyers are not now being strictly adhered to owing to the scarcity of prime horses. In fact, the increased demand combined with the dearth of high grade stock had brought about higher prices for horses that were discarded by the agents in the recent past. The large horse dealers in this city have been purchasing stock freely in the west and bringing the horses here for inspection. With the high number of rejections it was feared that there would be a surplus of horses in the East, and for a time attempts were made to sell them to horse users in the East at low prices. When it became evident, however, that these horses would eventually be required they were sent to the suburbs to be housed.

According to the summary of foreign commerce for the month of March, a total of 33,694 horses were exported from the country, as compared with a total of 3,071 horses exported in March, 1914. The number of mules exported in March this year was 6,433, as compared with 569 mules shipped during the same period last year. The horses shipped in March had a value of $8,088,974, while the mules were valued at $1,255,759. The value of the 185,023 horses shipped since July 1 (the war began on August 4) according to the Government returns, reaches a total of $40,695,037. How the horse trade has expanded can be reflected by the figures giving the value of horses shipped in the same period of nine months in 1913-14 (July 1 to March 31) when a total of 15,078 horses, valued at $2,243,168, were shipped.

Up to March 31 a total of 88,932 horses were shipped to France having an aggregate value of $21,464,447. Last year no horses were shipped to France, so that shipments this year can safely be attributed to war purposes exclusively. To England, in the nine months' period ending March 31, a total of 57,456 horses, having a total value of $12,403,243, were shipped, while in the same period last year England took 12,558 horses valued at $2,924,125. Last fall, when the St. Lawrence route was opened, England arranged to secure horses from this country through Canada. This move was taken because of the fear that docking facilities would not be available in American ports, while by commandeering wharfs in Canada shipments of horses would be assured. Since July 1, and up to March 31, a total of 26,142 horses, having an aggregate value of $3,952,254, were shipped to Canada and undoubtedly have since found their way to England and France.

In the steamship charter market it is stated there is no active demand for steamers to transport horses to Europe. The activity that prevailed last fall, when every steamer arriving in this country along the Atlantic seaboard was sought for horse transport, has in a measure supplied the tonnage required for this purpose. Steamers that were taken on charter last fall were taken for six months to nine months. Owners demanded such long term charters in view of the cost in equipping steamers to transport horses. It was stated yesterday that the cost of ripping out ordinary partitions in the hold of a steamer and substituting stalls, runways, etc., so that horses could be accommodated, averages from $10,000 to $20,000 per steamer, and in view of this cost owners demanded that they receive charters which would warrant such expense.

Some representatives of horse dealers who, instead of selling to buyers of the foreign governments, have undertaken to send horses to Europe with the hope that once the horses were aboard the various governments would be so anxious to purchase them that they would waive their strict specifications. Toward this end there have been in the steamship markets inquiries for the purchase of tonnage, the horse dealers seeking, it is said, about ten steamers of low speed. It is asserted that it is cheaper for them to purchase the steamers than to endeavor to attempt to close chartering arrangements.

The various shipbuilding companies along the Atlantic coast have reaped a harvest as a result of the shipments of horses, as the work of altering steamers for this purpose has been turned over to them.—New York Journal of Commerce, May 21.

A BRIGHT OUTLOOK.

On different occasions we have called attention to the export of horses because of the war abroad in which nearly all of the European nations are engaged. The present week has witnessed the transformation of Italy from a neutral to a belligerent nation. We can accordingly count, at the present time, practically all of Europe engaged in a war for supremacy and the dominant note prevailing at this time is the crushing of the foes that oppose each individual nation.

Each and every country involved seems to regard their present struggle as a war for existence and it is an easy matter to find justification for each and all of those nations in a perusal of the public press. The duration of the present conflict is beyond conjecture, but it is certain that if no decisive results are obtained by the respective opposing sides that in the end peace will be declared because of the exhaustion of the resources of the warring states. This would necessarily mean what we Americans call a draw and ordinarily, in our acceptance of the term, we would regard it as a case where everybody breaks even, but in the present conditions such a draw will mean that each and every participant in the present strife will be a loser.

They will exhaust all of the resources of their nations before the question of peace will be considered and their respective states will be thoroughly combed for food stuffs, ammunition and all sorts of war supplies before they will admit any occasion to seek peace has arrived. In the meantime the United States will be the selected purchasing place to eke out the necessary food and war supplies that are demanded for a continuance of the struggle and all of the nations that are reasonably secure of safe transit by the sea will be actively engaged in buying their necessities in this country. Prior to the conversion of Italy from a neutral to a warring nation, there had been a great demand for horses in this country and, if we can believe the reports that have been made public, Italy was one of the largest buyers of horseflesh. However, those purchases were made for the purpose of placing their war establishment in a position to meet any emergency that might arise, and the apparent emergency has been made plain by the fact that Italy has finally declared war against Austria.

In the absence of Italy actively engaging in war, it was necessarily only a question of time until that country would succeed in purchasing all of the horses needed, but engaged in actual warfare, it necessarily becomes a fact that she must continue to purchase so as to be enabled to fill the blanks arising from the losses in war. Of all the nations involved, Russia is the only country that can supply the needed horses from her own resources and, aside from Russia, the United States is the only nation in the world able to sell horses in large quantities.

This nation, it is estimated, owns a trifle more than one-fourth of the world's supply of horses, our available supply being variously estimated at from twenty-two to twenty-five millions, so that there is no occasion to fear that the foreign demand will seriously interfere with our necessities, but it should be accepted by horse breeders the country over as presenting to them the greatest opportunity in recent years.

This appeals especially to the breeder of the harness horse, as, with the exception of heavy artillery horses, the demand is for types of the harness horse breed, and that demand is so active that up to date statistics note that over 250,000 horses have been purchased for war purposes. Great as this may appear, the fact remains that this vast number of horses is largely made up of animals unable to procreate their species and are designed wholly for war purposes. Naturally we are justified in the conclusion that these purchases are forced and the respective countries to which these horses are being exported are practically swept clean of animals of that type.

These purchases are for war purposes pure and simple, but when peace is declared the demand for breeding animals will necessarily arise and then will come the golden opportunity for the stock raisers of the United States. It is not possible to name the day, hour or year when distracted Europe will see peace agreements signed, but it is certain to come and, with the cessation of war, the task of the different governments to repair the ravages of the conflict will begin.

It is pleasing therefore to note that already an organization is under way in New York City to arrange to supply the European nations with horses to rehabilitate their breeding establishments when peace is finally declared. In that great shipping point, it is universally recognized that such a demand will follow the cessation of the war and steps are now being taken to meet the call when it will come.

We consider that the breeders of this country are justified in accepting the formation of such an organization in the greatest city of our country as an indication of the fact that no matter what has occurred in the past to depreciate the value of horses, the future holds nothing but golden promise.—American Sportsman.

A DEPLORABLE CONDITION.

Kamms, O., May 16, 1915.

Mr. Robert S. Strader, Lexington, Ky.

Dear Mr. Strader—I am writing you a letter that I don't like to do, but am forced to. Now, I cannot have you in my stand, as I am afraid there will be a riot of I do. I am very sorry, for I think you the best man in the world, but you know how things are here with no racing law. We have nothing to say. Now, I had you engaged, and whatever you say I owe you let me know, and I will send you a check. Hoping this is satisfactory, I am,

Very truly, HARVEY ERNEST.

This letter coming immediately after the statement in the New York Herald, "There will be no racing at Rockport with Strader in the stand, the sheriff will see to that," credited to J. B. Dawley, lawyer for Vance Nuckols, seems to bear out the statement frequently made, and often denied, that an attempt would be made to stop betting at Cleveland if Nuckols was not reinstated. To say the least of the situation pictured by these statements, it is pitiful, and the sooner it is brought to a crisis the better. If the management of an association is held in such abject fear that he cannot employ the man he considers "the best man in the world" to judge his races, without a riot, then that community does not want clean racing and is a menace to the entire sport. The sooner the better class of people take the matter up and either pass laws which will defy any such intimidation, or stop racing, just that soon will the influence of those who defy law and order be eliminated. This goes further to prove that there is only one salvation and that is to clean house, from top to bottom, and put all racing under state commissions. Then all are safe alike. The interest of associations will be safeguarded by the state. The interest of any horseman who may be accused of any infraction of the law will be heard by an impartial tribunal that no threats of any kind can bias. Evidence will not be furnished by affidavit, for the commission has one of its number on the ground, whose evidence is sufficient. Furthermore, with a steward on the ground representing the court of final resort, there will be fewer attempts to put over jobs. And above all things the bookmaker will not show his hand in so many things, unseemly as is too often the case. It has been said that the betting privileges had been sold for $500 per race. If this be the case, then the buyers become joint owners with the management. It was this state of affairs that broke up racing of the thoroughbreds, and if it prevails at any track of the trotting turf it is an octopus for evil. As it now stands it seems that there is no tribunal in Ohio to appeal to for relief, and the parent associations dare not come to the aid of a member, even with a suggestion, for they have no power except to collect fines, and this only by suspension. Organization is imperative.—H. M. Jones in the Horseman.

W. J. Andrews and his stable of high-class young trotters which have been in winter quarters at Thomasville, Ga., reached Randall last Thursday and are now in permanent quarters in the private barn of H. M. Hanna. "Billy" and his pupils are in excellent condition and the entire combination looks ready to begin the strenuous life. His string consists of Lee Axworthy (3) 2:08, the great colt which raced in 2:05 last fall and is in line to do battle with the select aged stake candidates. He is in grand form, has taken on weight and his owners naturally repose great confidence in him. While his best mile this season is 2:21, he peeled off some fast fractions of the distance over the sandy two-lap ring; Newzel 2:05¼, the steady going aged gelding; Hazel Laing 2:08¼, the John A. McKerron 2:04½ mare which pulled off a good victory last fall and seems in tip-top form; Honeysuckle 2:14½ by the same sire and right now a great prospect, having just trotted the two-lap ring in 2:18¼ before coming north with the ease of a stake performer; John R. Dillon 2:11¼, holder of the Thomasville, Ga., track record by reason of a mile in 2:16. This stallion is figured on throwing a surprise into the big line contingent some time during the summer. Rusticoat (2) 2:13¾, the main dependence in the three-year-old futurities; Bacelli (2) 2:15, a highly regarded three-year-old; Bitumen (2) 2:27, the same age, and by the same sire; Nutworthy, a clever Axworthy (3) 2:15½ youngster; Siliho by Siliko (3) 2:11¼; Leonor McKinney (2) 2:18¾, now three; Volga (2), a full sister of Peter Volo (3) 2:03½ and accounted a coming star; Margie by Peter the Great 2:07¼; Great Minnie and Peter Valpa, also a couple of likely juveniles by the premier of Patchen Wilkes Farm.—American Sportsman.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

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FOX-HUNTING WITH A CAMERA.

[By Winthrop Packard.]

Hunting the fox is a national pastime in England where, indeed, it is a cruel sport. The fox is run down by numbers of mounted men and dogs and killed by the dogs when caught. There is little chance for Reynard. His "earths" are blocked by the gamekeeper and beaters drive him from all hiding places. In spite of all that the English fox often escapes, overmatching the odds against him by almost preternatural cunning.

American fox-hunting has, at least, the negative virtue that it is not so cruel at the English form. Here, the fox is chased by a few dogs which he can easily outrun and out-distance. The cruelty occurs when the dogs drive the fox within range of the gun of the huntsman who lies in ambush. Competent naturalists claim that so far as the dogs are concerned the fox looks upon it all as a game. He has a hundred schemes for outwitting his pursuers and he runs, as one might say, on the broad grin. Indeed, the American fox has learned so well how to live that he thrives in numbers in thickly settled communities, rarely seen by man. As many as ten in a season have been known to dwell in the Arnold Arboretum, within the city limits of Boston, and the Blue Hills Reservation, bordering the city of Quincy for miles and close by Boston, is a noted rendezvous of these elusive wild creatures. They have learned that the reservation is sanctuary and they retreat to it to avoid danger. Civilized man has been good to the fox on the whole, for he has killed off his worst enemies—the wolf, the panther, and wild cat, leaving him only man himself to outwit. And that is easy. He hunts a good deal in the early morning and at twilight. Yet, he does not fear to go out in the full glow of day, slipping noiselessly along like a shadow. A favorite trick of his is to follow a man, shadow him—one might well say—but if the man turns the fox slips behind a bush and makes off, usually unseen. But the fox is a brainy animal and because he has brains he sometimes gets into "a brown study" and walks right into danger without realizing it. More than once I have met a fox strolling in meditation along a woodland path, his hands behind his back—so to speak—and had him pretty nearly bump me before he realized that I was there. At such a time it is amusing to see the expression of incredulity that comes over Reynard's mobile face. For a fraction of a second he cannot believe it possible that he has sauntered right up to a man. Then consternation holds him for another fraction of a second, followed by a swift summing up of the chances and a bound behind some object. The way he floats away into the distance after that is a marvel.

Such chance encounters are not common. One may walk among foxes for a whole summer season and not see one, and it would hardly seem possible that the sport of hunting with a camera could be successful with these clever strategists. One man, however, has done this. Howard S. Adams, photographer of animals, has succeeded in getting some wonderful pictures of these wary creatures and has found the sport far more exciting and adventurous than hunting with a gun. However shadowy and elusive the fox may be in the field there is one spot where Reynard is to be found daily—that is the burrow; in the spring and early summer when the family is large and hungry the burrow is a busy place. There may be six or eight half-grown youngsters there always hungry and the mother fox must hunt constantly, in the full glare of day as well as in the twilight, to supply the need. It is by watching the "earth" and there matching his wit against that of the fox that Mr. Adams has met success. Great patience has been necessary and a woodcraft that takes into account all conditions. A fox can scent a man a long way off when the wind is right. He can hear his slightest movement at a surprising distance, but strangely enough he does not readily notice a motionless man. The huntsman first finds the "earth," studies the conditions of light and shade, the direction of the wind and the approaches most feasible for the fox. The animal has at least two entrances to his den as do most burrowing animals which further complicates the situation. The best stand being decided upon, the camera is set up and everything made ready. The photographer takes a position sitting or perhaps prone on the ground beneath it with the bulb in hand.

The wait may be long or but for a moment. Once the camera-armed huntsman had just reached a burrow with a friend and the two were talking of what might happen, when a fox came trotting right up, looked at them with curiosity as they stood motionless, then, not seeming to realize the situation, popped into the hole. There was ample time to set up the camera and focus it, but who would believe she would come out again? Yet, in just a moment she did, stood in splendid pose but a few feet away, sniffed, caught a taint of their presence and vanished, a red-gray streak down the wind.

At another time the camera had been carefully focussed on one burrow entrance and the photographer had lain for a long time beneath it cramped but watchful, without results. By and by, hearing a slight whine behind him, he looked cautiously around. There stood the mother fox erect on the mound at the other entrance to her earth. About her were grouped all her youngsters, half a dozen of them, begging for food; a picture in a thousand! With the utmost care the huntsman swings the camera to take in the scene, but some slight sound, or perhaps the white flash of his moving hand, betrayed him and with a short bark of warning the mother bounded away while the youngsters scurried down into the den.

Such incidents as those, however, merely add zest to the sport and make its final triumph all the more enjoyed. Fox-hunting with a camera is to be recommended as a fine substitute for other forms of the sport. It takes the highest type of sportsman to succeed at it, and its prizes are immeasurably greater than those obtained with gun and dogs.

Feeding foxes to preserve birds is the commendable practice carried out by a Massachusetts citizen.

For the past six summers, the clerk of courts of Barnstable county, Massachusetts, Alfred Crocker, has driven from his summer home in the delightful old village of Centerville to the Court House mornings and returned at night. The distance by the "Sand Road" is about seven miles and for the entire way there is not a habitation It is an ideal rendezvous for foxes and ruffed grouse, bob-whites and meadow larks, in the neighborhood of far-famed "Shoal-Flying" hill and picturesque "Nine Mile Pond."

Mr. Crocker, being a great lover of all bird life, conceived the idea of feeding the foxes during the breeding season of the birds. He has made it a practice to take a bucket of "whiting" from the fish trap three times a week and to distribute them in lots of three or four, along cow-paths, wood roads and "blind" roads for the entire distance between the two villages. He found that as soon as the foxes learned of the food there were very few fish left upon his return in the morning and practically none on the second morning. Ae he drove along he would see fox after fox skulking in and out of the different feeding places, apparently waiting for their supper.

It is a well-known fact that the ground birds throw no scent during the period that they are rearing their young and the only way that the fox gets them at this period is by running onto them during their many weary miles of wandering in search of food. Whenever they do find them, they stay in this vicinity until they capture the whole brood.

Mr. Crocker's method of distributing the "whiting" through this natural breeding ground has reduced the hunting for food of the fox to the minimum. The increase, especially of the quail, has been very marked.

BULLDOGS PAST AND PRESENT.

One is often asked the question, "Do you think bulldogs have improved during the last ten or fifteen years?" Now it is somewhat difficult to answer that question satisfactorily, says Mr. S. H. Deacon, a veteran English breeder, as we older fanciers are very prone to magnify the good qualities of our heroes of days gone by. Just at the moment the male sex is undoubtedly comparatively weak. The leading dogs are not to be compared with those exhibited eight or ten years ago; but it is only quite recently that there has been this backward tendency, which is caused almost entirely by the expatriation of our best dogs to America. As soon as a dog makes a name in the exhibition world, and a sufficiently big price comes along, in nine cases out of ten he departs across the Atlantic. We have very few exhibitors now who will, or perhaps can, afford to refuse the tempting offers that are made. One really cannot blame them, but, nevertheless, it is most detrimental to the breed in this country. These remarks really only refer to the leading dogs. If one looks carefully at the exhibits at recent good class shows, one observes that the type generally is improving, and becoming more uniform, and this is an exceedingly good sign; and it has come none too soon. I quite admit that there have been a few instances recently of grand-headed dogs, but with bodies not in accordance with the standard, winning high honors, and this will always occur occasionally; but I am referring more particularly to the dogs taken en bloc at a good average show. I have myself done very little exhibiting during the last seven or eight years, and I have now entirely abandoned the show bench; but it struck me, when taking a dog into the ring after some years' absence, that it was no easier to get into the money—in fact, not quite so easy—as in my busier exhibition days, and, in my opinion, there are fewer duffers.

This all-around improvement has no doubt been acquired at the expense of an impairing of certain exaggerated points; but, after all, it is the all-around uniformly good dog that takes the premier position, or should do so. For instance, we have not, in my opinion, a dog on the bench today with a head to equal that of either King Orry or Ch. Boomerang, or one with the body properties of Ch. Bromley Crib. The efforts in the direction of breeding long skulls have certainly resulted in a curtailment of wrinkle. Where can dogs be found nowadays with the beautiful skull and wrinkle of, for instance, Ch. Baron Sedgemere? But these long-skulled dogs often lack breadth of skull and cheek bumps, or development of the cheek muscles, which increases the holding power, which is a very necessary property in a bulldog. I hope I am in no way conveying the impression that I deprecate long skulls, they are necessary, but the other necessary points in connection with the skull should be carefully borne in mind. In ears, one sees a vast improvement on the mediaeval days, more especially with regard to their carriage. A button ear is now very rarely seen, whereas a few years ago they were plentiful, especially in the South of England.

As I have already hinted, we have to a large extent mastered the problem of producing a low, thickset dog with a correct type of head. By that I mean a well-smashed-up face, with a good wide underjaw. It is, and always has been, comparatively easy to produce the body with a head that ought to be put in a sack if the animal was to pass as a bulldog, or the great head on a terrier body. Even now the two grand properties combined, which is the acme of bulldog culture, come none too often, although to the everlasting credit of the modern breeder be it said, in a larger proportion than in years gone by.

The bitches have been excellent during the last few years, and, to my mind, the gem of the lot is Ch. Roseville Blaze, who, in my humble opinion, has never been surpassed in all round excellence. She has the correct roach back, and her body lines are great; her head is also good, and she is a big one—not too big, but big enough to convey that look of sturdiness, strength and endurance we all so much admire. However this bitch ever came to be beaten after arriving at maturity was always a matter of perplexity to me. Unfortunately, I never had the pleasure of judging her, but I have very carefully run the rule over her on more than one occasion.

In dogs we are for the moment without a real flyer—a top sawyer—although Mr. Sam Crabtree's young dog, Failesworth White Knight, who made his debut at the recent Cheetham Hill Show, may easily develop into one, and I hope, for the sake of the breed, that he will do so. We have a large number of good, sound dogs of average merit, and the way they change places at shows under various judges confirms my opinion as to the absence of a dog that really stands out, although we have many dogs which any exhibitor may well feel proud to own.

In these few notes I would like to say a word about the excessive inbreeding which prevails today. Inbreeding, to a certain extent, is necessary in order to fix "type" in connection with all exhibition livestock. I have had this brought home to me very forcibly during the last few years in connection with poultry breeding. In a breed such as the bulldog it should be resorted to with the greatest caution. A large amount of it was done years ago, but all breeders know that in-breeding overdone impairs the stamina and constitution of stock, and bull puppies so bred are not the easiest animals to rear sound and strong. Besides, breeders often overlook the fact that in-breeding accentuates faults as well as good properties, and when bad faults are bred in in this way they are very difficult to eradicate.

A statement recently appeared in the daily press that, as the bulldog was generally looked upon as typifying the English character, there would be a boom in bulldogs during these terrible war times. I hope this boom may be the means of bringing into the bulldog ranks new fanciers, who will take up the pursuit and make it a hobby purely in the interests of the breed. The atmosphere of the show ring is not, I fear, so free from the commercial taint as it used to be. Possibly it may be more orderly and orthodox, but there appears to be a great "business" flavor about it, and one longs in vain for the days when the spirit of true sport reigned supreme. In the old days exhibitors took their dogs to shows for the pleasure of winning, and that derived from meeting kindred spirits and congenial company. It is probably the tendency of the age to make a business of all one's pleasures, more or less. This spirit seems to have crept into almost every species of sport; but it is none the less to be deprecated as really detrimental to any hobby in the long run.

First, second, third, fourth, fifth, and sixth high guns, at the Paducah (Ky.) Target Club, on May 7, all shot Nitro Club shells. A. E. Mercer won the shoot, breaking 190x200. W. T. Hardy and Tom Russell tied for second place, each scoring 186x200, while F. W. Wyler was a close third with 185x200.

Mr. J. W. Bell, of St. Louis, Mo., won the Interstate Association's first trophy, at Moberly, Mo., May 4 and 5, with the high amateur score, 292x300. He shot Arrow shells, as did A. C. Connor, of Springfield, Ill., who captured the second trophy; while H. J. Goldsby, of La Platte, Mo., used Nitro Clubs in winning third place.

THE VALUE OF FISH AND GAME.

The value of the fish and game of any state should not be estimated by its food value alone. It has a value far in excess of that for the stomach's sake, a value not even estimated by many people who pursue it for the so-called sport or otherwise. It has a worth that cannot be estimated by figures, says George Neal, a Pacific Coast game warden.

The benefit derived by the mental and physical relaxation is incomprehensible, except to those who have learned the secret. The exhilaration of the pursuit is advised and recommended by physicians of world prominence as the one tonic and cure for the indoor brain worker, recreation for the factory hand, store or office employe. The knowledge obtained in the use of firearms in its pursuit by the young American is of more value than all the game in America. The skill attained by our forefathers in its pursuit is responsible for the liberty we now enjoy.

Northern California, especially those counties comprising the Sacramento division of the northern administrative district, are no doubt the most important in the state, if valued by the fish and game asset.

The Sacramento district contains twenty-two counties, as follows: San Joaquin, Calaveras, Amador, Sacramento, Solano, Yolo, El Dorado, Placer, Nevada, Yuba, Sutter, Colusa, Glenn, Butte, Sierra, Plumas, Trinity, Tehama, Lassen,Shasta, Siskiyou and Modoc. The coast counties of Marin, Sonoma, Napa, Lake, Mendocino, Humboldt and Del Norte are equally as important and valuable as the counties of the Sacramento division, but are not included therein.

The twenty-two counties contained in the Sacramento district, says Warden Neal, have an area of approximately 45,409 square miles, or nearly the entire area of the state of New York. The district contains 14,500 miles of streams, besides the thousands of lakes, many of them world-famous. These counties are inhabited by possibly a larger variety and number of game birds, animals and fish than any other given amount of territory in the United States.

Opportunities for the angler and hunter, be he resident or non-resident, to enjoy and partake of the pleasures of the chase, are many. Nowhere else in the United States can be found as great an area of land and water populated with fish and game, where anyone may fish or hunt, as in this district, and where there is almost an entire absence of trespass signs. A courteous request to the owner or lessee, whenever possible, to be permitted to shoot is generally acceded to. It is the man who presumes to enter the lands of others without obtaining consent who is ejected or arrested for trespass. Many of the land owners and lessees shoot and fish, and there is a kind of brotherhood among sportsmen that is of a strong fraternal quality. The writer, in over thirty years' experience in the field in California, has always requested the owner's permission to hunt or fish, and has been denied only a few times, and on asking the reason for the objection found that some irresponsible vandal and torn down fences or shot live stock. Who can blame the owner for objecting?

In order to enforce the fish and game laws in the Sacramento district the fish and game commission maintains twenty-three salaried deputies under the supervision of F. M. Newbert, president of the commission, with offices in the Forum Building, Sacramento.

It is necessary to procure an angler's license for catching the game fishes, which are trout, salmon, black and striped bass, steelhead or white fish in this district. An angler's license for a resident citizen is $1, $3 for non-residents and aliens.

A resident citizen's hunting license costs $1; non-residents', $10, and aliens, $25.

There is also a commercial fishing license for catching fish for the market which costs $10.

All these funds are used in the maintenance of hatcheries and for the preservation of fish and game.

The Sacramento, San Joaquin, Mokelumne, Consumnes, American, Bear, Yuba and Feather rivers, with their many forks and tributaries, are formed by living springs and eternal snows, and at or near the junction of these streams, where they enter the Sacramento, they are alive with the finny tribe. In these waters may be found the quinnat salmon, striped bass, black bass of both large and small mouth varieties, shad that are pronunced superior to the Delaware product, from where our shad came, the blue and yellow catfish, Sacramento perch, the imported bluegill, crappie and yellow perch from Michigan, and about twenty other varieties of native or introduced fish, more or less of commercial importance.

California has a population of nearly two and a half millions of people, of which 159,166 procure a hunting license. Owing to the diversified topographical, meteorological and climatic conditions of the northern fish and game district, it is peculiarly adapted for the perpetual protection of its game because the rough, inaccessible portions will always remain a barrier to any but the most persistent and hardy hunter. There is no other section of the United States that could withstand the demands made upon this district. Notwithstanding a season bag limit of two deer allowed by law, I believe the deer are holding their own, at least in the district of which I am writing. It is an easy matter for anyone who is properly equipped physically and can use his rifle efficiently to secure his two bucks.

This district consists of the white tail and black tail deer, a few of what are known as the small chapparal deer, also the large mule deer, weighing as much as 300 pounds dressed. There are a few antelope remaining, which, with the elk imported recently by the Elks' lodge of Redding, are protected at all times under a severe penalty.

Black and brown bear are somewhat numerous and a few grizzly remain in the mountain fastnesses of Trinity, Siskiyou and Shasta counties.

The game birds of the upper mountain counties are the sage hen, grouse and mountain quail. These are fairly numerous, providing you know where to find them. Should you not you will return to camp weary, but more wise.

The Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys are the winter homes of large numbers of ducks, geese and shore birds of many varieties. The ducks predominating are numerically in the order named and known mostly as mallard, sprig, green-wing teal, widgeon, canvasback, gadwell or gray duck, spoonbill, black-jack, bluebill, cinnamon and blue-wing teal, scaup, wood-duck, goldeneye, ruddy and several of the merganser or sawbill family.

Of the geese and brant the most numerous visitors are the Canada goose and three varieties of brant of a smaller size, two or three varieties of white or snow geese, the gray or speckled breast, and a large gray goose as large as the Canada goose, but locally known as the tule goose. Occasionally an emperor or crowned goose is a visitant, also a number of whistling swans.

In the valleys and lower foothills can be found the bush and cottontail rabbit, the hare and jackrabbit, the gray tree squirrel and the dove. At certain seasons large flocks of band-tailed pigeons may be seen, but they are protected at all times. In the valleys and lower foothills may also be found a typical Californian, the grandest game bird in the world, the California valley or blue quail. This bird may be found from sea level to an altitude of 2,500 feet, but is scarcely ever seen over three thousand feet above sea level.—American Field.

A WIRE-HAIRED POINTER—THE NEWEST DOG FOR HUNTING PURPOSES.

[By Ray Zeigler in Phila. Public Ledger.]

A new hunting dog, the wire-haired pointing Griffon, has been added to the list of sporting dogs in this country. The first kennel of these Griffons has been established by Dr. E. B. Ilyus of Lancaster, Pa., and he hopes to breed these dogs as successfully as the French. Heading his kennel with the champion stud dog, Miche de Moulignon, Doctor Ilyus now has four of the finest specimens he could purchase in France.

Owing to the war Doctor Ilyus had great difficulty in bringing these dogs to America, and it was not until late in the winter that the first brace he purchased to follow Miche de Moulignon to this country arrived. The names of this pair are Marquis de Merlimont and Mamselle de Moulignon. Later he purchased Bolero, one of the best bred in the world.

Under the conditions existing on the other side, Doctor Ilyus was indeed fortunate in getting these dogs out of France. The brace came direct from the war zone, 25 miles from Boulogne. Marquis de Merlimont won first at Paris last June, and is expected to produce a sensation in this country. Masmellee de Moulignon won limit at Lyons, and open at Touquet and Paris-Plage. With the pair came several puppies which Doctor Ilyus sold to C. H. Rivenberg, of Chester, Mass.

Bolero was trained by a high official in the Griffon Club of Germany for his own private use. It was possible for Doctor Ilyus to secure this dog through the kind efforts of Mr. Leinma, vice consul for the Netherlands and vice-president of the Griffon Club. The dog, by Champ Rabot, one of the best working Korthals in Germany, is thoroughly trained and finished on pheasants, quail, snipe, hare, all marsh and waterfowl, and also on all big game, and is a perfect retriever from land and water, making him the most versatile hunter ever imported to America.

The name "Griffon" first appeared toward the end of the sixteenth century, in a letter by Henry IV of France to Count Montmorency, dated April 12, 1596. The Griffon is also mentioned by Charles d'Arcussia in 1598, in a book called "The Conference of the Falconers." Nearly a century later, 1683, J. E. de Selincourt, in his book, "The Perfect Hunter," speaks of them as the "gun-dog," giving many interesting details.

The pointing Griffon, known favorably all over the continent of Europe, is represented by several groups or families, presenting differences under influence of climate, food, mode of hunting and type of country, but which are all similar in their robe, or coat, which is hard, harsh, or wiry. For centuries they have been used in hunting afield, in woods, but above all in swampy or marshy ground, their wiry coat, together with the under coat, fine, woolly, or fur-like, giving them a perfect protection against cold and dampness.

Three grand groups are formed: The "Spinone," of Italy, which seems to be the oldest; the "Griffon, a Poil Dur," of France, and the "Stickelhaar," the specialty of Germany.

There are several groups or families of Griffons; but without any doubt the family or strain best and most favorably known is Griffon-Korthals. Edward Karel Korthal began in Holland in 1870 the breeding of a pure strain of Griffons, selecting seven of the finest specimens to be found. In 1877, Korthals accepted the offer from Prince Albrecht de Solms Braunfels to direct his kennel of Griffons at Wolfsmuhle, whence comes the strain of pure-blood Griffon-Korthals, the purest and best representatives of the breed.

So popular have these dogs been in Continental Europe that there are several clubs organized for their elevation; the Griffon Club, of Belgium, French Griffon Club, South German Club, and the International Griffon Club.

The career of Doctor Ilyus' kennel of Griffons will be watched with interest by sportsmen all over this country.

DOINGS IN DOGDOM.

The Airedale Terrier Club of America has formed a committee of women members to encourage the breeding and exhibiting of Airedales by women. Mrs. Crawford of the Vickery Kennels has been elected chairman; Mrs. Paul Revere Reynolds, Scarsdals, N. Y., secretary, and Mrs. Edgar Baker, Jr., of New York, Mrs. Merrill E. Gates, of New York, Mrs. Mulford, of Philadelphia, and Mrs. Theodore Offerman, of Brooklyn, are the other members of this committee. A five dollar special will be offered in any state where the Airedale Terrier Club of America has two woman members for the best Airedale owned and shown by a woman.

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The American fancy will shortly be the richer by the inclusion of the typical dog, Merry Courtier, Henry Dickman having sold him to a fancier on the other side of the Atlantic. Merry Courtier is a black, and the winner of five firsts and one championship on the only two occasions on which he has been shown—namely, Southampton and Manchester in 1914. In the thirty years in which Mr. Dickman has been breeding Newfoundlands many big winners have emanated from his kennels, including six full champions, five of them white-and-blacks; and in which variety Mr. Dickman has, of course, always specialized. Merry Courtier is by Ch. Gipsy Duke ex Ch. Queen of the Roses, and he was bred by Mr. Dickman in 1911.

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What probably is a record price for a Pekingese puppy was received by Mrs. A. McClure Halley for the seven months old Sun's Son, one of the most promising puppies ever reared in her kennel. Miss Cox of East Orange visited Mrs. Halley in quest of a good Peke. She saw Son, and wanted him. None of the other dogs would do, and as Mrs. Halley had great hopes of Son's becoming a great show dog, she was reluctant to sell him. Finally Miss Cox offered $1500, and as this was such a record price for a puppy, Mrs. Halley decided to let him go, and now Son is the cherished pet of Miss Cox.

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To promote the interest of Fox-hounds (American, English and half-bred), and Beagles in America, it has been decided to form a society known as The Bryn Mawr Hound Show Association. This association is to hold an annual Hound Show in connection with the Bryn Mawr horse show, at which time members of the Hound Show Association will be granted the same privileges as the Horse Show Association members, viz.: free admission to both shows, use of club house, etc. It is proposed to make the annual dues $10.00 Application for membership can be made to St. George Bond, Crozer Building, Philadelphia. The committee is composed of John R. Valentine, W. Plunket Stewart, Samuel D. Riddle, J. Stanley Reeve.

At the Traps

The California Wing Club, the oldest shooting organization in the United States, will hold its regular monthly shoot at Sobrante tomorrow.

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The shoot of the San Jose Blue Rock Club during the Decoration Day holidays was one of the most successful that has been held in this section for a long time. Over fifty men faced the trap and ninety-five to ninety-eight per cent average was not unusual. J. F. Couts of San Diego cleaned up the fifth annual registered blue rock shoot of the San Jose Blue Rock Club by finishing his score with 476 out of 500 birds. O. N. Ford of San Jose made second high total score with 470; Flickinger was third, 468; Ogilvie fourth, 465, and Halliburton fifth, 463.

Couts also contributed to the San Diego club's victory in the team shoot. Couts shot 48 out of a possible 50. Evarest and Dodds were also on the team.

Couts won the doubles for the championship of Southern California with 45 out of 25 pair.

Tony Prior of San Francisco was second with 43. Prior also won the miss and out event, with C. H. Nash of San Jose second.

All the shooters observed Memorial Day by standing with bared heads for five minutes at noon. It was announced that the Pacific Coast handicap has been awarded to San Diego, July 8, 9 and 10.

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The ten-man team shoot between the Alhambra Club of Martinez and the Family Club of San Francisco scheduled for last Sunday was postponed until June 6 or 27.

About fifty Alhambra shooters turned up, however, and they had it out for a silver cup. H. Veale with 47 turned the winning score. The other members finished as follows: F. K. Burnham 46, Dr. Merithew 45, J. J. Anderson 44, J. Randino 42, D. Joslin 40, J. Hammer 40, W. Dutcher 39, F. Stewart 43, B. Woolbert 44, Al Blum 44, and A. J. McMahon 37.

The club is open to meet any club within 100 miles of San Francisco to a club shoot of from three to fifteen men.

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Trapshooting is as rapidly growing in favor as a sport with naval officers as it is among sportsmen on land. Nearly all battleships carry a trap and a supply of clay "birds," and officers practice when daily drills are over, shooting from the side of the ship. With the vessel under way the sport is attractive, even though the usual sixteen-yard rise cannot be had, as the wind and motion of the vessel compensate for the lack of distance of rise of the targets.

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An interesting incident in connection with the Coast to Coast Fred Gilbert Shoots held recently, was the development of the fact that when Mr. Gilbert won his first big event, twenty years ago, he used the old style Green Remington-UMC Shot Shells. It happened that Mr. Gilbert retained some of these shells, and has had them stored for all this time. He brought the old-timers along East with him and put them on the testing range at the Du Pont plant at Wilmington. Of three of the shells tested two made perfect patterns. All of which which would seem to indicate that shot shells made when some of us were too small to lift a gun, were not so bad after all.

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E. V. Fisher of Oklahoma City won high amateur average as well as high general average at the Medford (Okla.) Gun Club, May 18. Shooting a Remington pump gun and Arrow shells in a wind and rain storm, he made the excellent score of 140x150.

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It is an interesting fact that W. B. Severn and Harry Eyre, both of the S. S. White Gun Club, tied for high average in the seven shoots of the Philadelphia Trapshooters League, extending from October to May. Both broke 326 out of 350, and both used Nitro Club shells. This is an exceptionally good record, considering that the matches were shot through the winter in all sorts of weather conditions.

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At a registered shoot held at the Waterloo (Ia.) Gun Club May 11 and 12, Chas. Hummel carried off first honors, scoring 385x400. J. R. John was a close second with 365x400. They both shot Remington pump guns and Notro Club shells. Hummel also made the long run of the shoot, breaking 160 straight.

Fish Lines

The reports received from the nimrods who spent the Decoration Day holidays on the streams show that the best sport at the present time is to be found on the Feather river.

Everyone who returned from this section caught the limit. In many cases their sport was ended in a few hours.

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Thomas Mahoney and E. C. Boucher, deputy fish and game wardens, arrested thirteen men in San Mateo county during the ten days ending last Sunday and were able to get convictions in every case.

Last Sunday they took in four Italians who had seventy-five abalone in their possession, fifty-six of which were undersized. They were convicted in court at Redwood City and San Mateo county is $200 richer in fines.

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Dr. G. Koenigstein and wife have returned from Camp Rodgers on the Feather river with one of the best baskets of trout this year, having fish from 11 to 18 inches.

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Joe Springer and Carl Matheus were two others who got the limit at Camp Rodgers. They spent last Sunday and Monday on the stream and only spent part of the day fishing as they were biting fast.

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E. H. Humphreys fished the Tunitas, San Gregorio and Pompono creeks, Sunday and Monday. They bring back reports of rare sport and fine baskets.

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Dr. H. T. Moore left Wednesday for a two weeks' fishing trip at Shady Rest Camp on the Feather river.

B. H. Reddy and wife will leave for a two weeks' fishing trip in Lassen county.

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Fred Gantner and Moe Uri fished the Nicasio, Olema and Pine Ridge creeks Sunday and Monday, bringing in the limit of good-sized fish each day.

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George A. McCallum and James D. Roundtree fished Carmel for the limit over the holidays.

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Bob Murdoch, Ed Smith, Louis Gothell and Lincoln Bemis fished at Middle River for black bass and brought back reports of fine sport for the two days outing.

H. Heney fished the Tunitis creek and returned with a limit basket for the two days.

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Mr. and Mrs. George Klarmann, Miss L. Bischoff and Walter Hanna fished the headwaters of the Garcia and Ranchery creeks with limit baskets for last Sunday and Monday. Mrs. Klarmann was high hook.

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Milton Frankenberg and John Cattermole report striped bass fishing poor at Rodeo, where he fished last Sunday.

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Charles Isaac and Dr. L. T. Cranz were also at Nicasio last Sunday and report fine sport.

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J. V. Jurvis and S. R. Burmister took the limit at Gold Lake Sunday and Monday last.

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Floyd Spence and Al Christensen returned with one of the best baskets so far this season from Tobin, on the Feather river, where they fished over the holidays.

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Charles Gibb and George Creon came home last Sunday night from Slide Ranch with the limit of eels.

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Frederick Schneider spent the holidays at San Gregorio creek, where he had good sport and got a fine basket.

"SHUST VON CHUMP PEHIND."

[Sewell Wardner, in The American Field.]

Recently I read in an Adirondack paper of the taking of a huge black bear just beyond Loon Lake Mountain. This bear measured twelve inches between his ears and was thought to have weighed in the neighborhood of 500 pounds. The article brought to mind the taking of a bear in the same locality some years ago, which may be of interest to the lovers of the "Silent Places." The principal actors in this hunt were two brothers, James and Seth Wardner, and Alfonso Rand. As the first snows came in the fall these three hardened woodsmen would take to the woods with rifles and provision sufficient to last seven or eight days, and never return without three or four fine specimens of Adirondack black bear hides.

On this particular hunt they left their homes at Rainbow Lake and traveled due north. About noon they struck a fresh track on the shore of Round Pond (now called Lake Kushequa, where is situated a fine large sanatorium for working girls. This place ils called "Stony Wold," and is maintained by rich New Yorkers.) Judging from the size of the track, the bear was a monster, and from the businesslike trail he left, convinced the three that he was headed for Loon Lake Mountain, there to "hole-up" for the winter. So, with a hitch to their belts and a glance at their Winchesters, these three veterans of the "trail" settled down to the swinging jog of the trained woodsman.

In an hour or thereabouts they reached the foot of the mountain and started the slow, heart-breaking climb upwards. Slipping and sliding, they forged their way on, and after another hour's hard work they were rewarded by coming to the end of the trail, a blank, bare rock, with only a huge crack to show where Bruin had entered. A council of war was held, and all agreed that the quickest, if not the safest, way to get at the bear was for one to crawl into the cave and "beard the lion in his den," so to speak. After peeling a near-by birth and rolling this into an impromptu torch, Seth took his .45-calibre revolver in one hand, the lighted torch in the other, and started in. At first, he said, he had to crawl on his hands and knees, but after ten or fifteen feet the walls rose so he could walk upright, and then he saw the two round balls of fire that showed where Bruin was. Taking careful aim at a point midway between the two burning balls, he fired, and at the report of his revolver the torch went out. He said afterwards that his heart bumped against the roof of his mouth. Holding the revolver in front of him, he waited, but only a muffled moan came to him. He then called back to his companions, who came crawling in with a fresh torch. The heavy .45 ball had entered the shaggy head directly between the eyes and pierced the brain. One crawled over the dead bear, and with the others pulling and hauling, they soon had him outside the cave.

It was the first bear of the season, and they wanted some fresh meat besides the oil, so it was decided to "skid" the carcass to a shack used the previous summer by a road-building gang who were putting a road through the mountains to Malone, N. Y. There they could leave it and come with a team next day. After depositing their kill safely inside and closing the door, they started for home through the woods, it being a more direct route than the winding road.

About the time they were struggling down the mountain with the bear a Jewish pack peddler stopped at the home of James and asked Mrs. J. the way to Plattsburg. Mrs. Wardner told him as best she could, and cautioned him against taking the new, unfinished road that bore off to the left, but this was exactly what he did. As the way grew steeper, his pack, no doubt, grew heavier, and dusk was coming on. He then decided it was time to turn around and retrace his steps, when his eyes fell on the little "shack." Here, he thought, he could stay till daylight, and hastened up to the door, never dreaming what was to happen in the next few minutes. Pushing open the door, he slipped off his pack and began to feel around for a "bunk," or some place to lay down. His foot touched something, and then his hand touched the same something. With a shriek of terror that would have put a wildcat to shame, he dashed out of the door and down the road at breakneck speed. James Wardner was just finishing supper when this fellow burst in at the door and fell, panting, into a chair. In broken English he gasped out his story: How he had run every step of the way, some seven or eight miles, and how the bear was just one leap behind him every jump he made.

Not until they took him back the next morning and showed him the dead bear and his unharmed pack could they make him believe that the bear really was not "shust von chump pehind."

TRADE NOTES.

More Remington-UMC Top Scores.

The Keystone State, with 402 gun clubs, according to the last census, is a leader in trapshooting activities in the United States. It is a significant fact that this important body of shooters shows a continued preference for Remington-UMC, both in State tournaments and in the general run of club shoots.

Mr. Chas. H. Newcomb of Philadelphia, won the State Championship with 98x100, shooting Arrow Speed Shells. Mr. Newcomb was also high over all with 437x450, using the same ammunition.

Mr. Walter Behm, of Reading, was second, high amateur, 428x450, shooting a Remington pump gun and the Speed Shells, and won the doubles championship, 44x50, using the same shooting equipment.

Two-man team race won by Harrisburg; Reading, second, both teams shooting Remington-UMC.

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Du Pont Loads.

At Milton, Penn., May 18-21, twenty-five shooters, participating in the Pennsylvania State tournament, made straight of 50 runs or over. This performance won for them the beautiful Du Pont gold watch fob or an engraved bar to attach to the fob already won. Incidental to winning the trophy bars, Charles H. Newcomb of Philadelphia won the Interstate and State championships.

The popularity of the Du Pont long run trophy at Milton was further demonstrated by the continued interest displayed during the tournament. The 25 long run shooters made 43 runs of 50 or over.

There is some talk of dividing the English setter classes by weight, says the American Fancier. The idea is catchy but has no real merit. What setter breeders are after is not a division of weights or size, but a consensus of type opinion. We are very much divided on that, yet the standard is explicit enough and is not an extreme type suggestion. If we can squeez the big, heavy old Mallwyd into a standard form, then most anything may happen.

Interstate Association Tournaments—

June 15, 16, 17—The Interstate Association's Tenth Western Handicap Tournament, St. Louis, Mo., under the auspices of the Missouri Athletic Association Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Western Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

July 8, 9, 10—The Interstate Association's Tenth Pacific Coast Handicap Tournament, San Diego, Cal., under the auspices of the Pastime Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Pacific Coast Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

August 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chicago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy; winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy, and the winner of sixth place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

Registered Tournaments— Pacific States and Territories:

June 3, 4, 5—Annual Tournament of Rocky Mountain Interstate Sportsmen's Association, under auspices of Mile High Gun Club, Wm. M. Bowman, Secretary, Denver, Colo.

June 7, 8, 9—Sportsmen's Ass'n of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Ore.

July 1, 2—Vancouver Gun Club, C. A. Porter, Secretary, Vancouver, Can.

July 5—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President, Eureka, Cal.

July 5—Sunrise Gun Club, H. S. Hill, Secretary, Sunrise, Wyo.

July 5—Holbrook Gun Club, J. S. Hulet, Secretary, Holbrook, Ariz.

July 9, 10—Gem City Gun Club. Max Weick, Secretary, Laramie, Wyo.

July 10—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, W. S. Short, Secretary, Chehalis, Wash.

July 12—Rawlins Rod and Gun Club, H. Breitenstein, Secretary, Rawlins, Wyo.

July 12, 13, 14—Los Angeles Gun Club, Fred H. Teeple, Secretary, Venice, Cal.

July 19, 20, 21, 22—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary, Tacoma, Wash.

July 28, 29—Delta County Gun Club, Nick Powell and R. A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

August 10—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

WHAT SOME TRAINERS CONSIDER SUCCESS.

Editor The Horseman: Having read a number of books issued by mail-order colleges on how to train horses and also having noted the free, easy and affluent life followed by these gents, I write to ask your advice on the subject and also for pointers as to adopting this for a profession, as I want to get into something that is lucrative, yet has no hard work attached to it. Thanking you in advance for this information, I remain—A. L. Egpuller.

This is rather a delicate subject to advise you about, as we do not know your disposition or grafting abilities. Of course if you want to advance to the top of the profession, "It is a long, long way to easy-giving-up owners." You read about trainers who have great wealth, as the owners they have struck have been from in and around St. Louis or other points in the same state. There are many others, however, whose names have not become prominent, who are living off the fat of the land, yet never seem to do much for all this affluence. We will endeavor to advise you as to how they got theirs.

In order to travel in this class you must hunt up some real live stove-circuit for winter instruction and when such a one is found, listen intently to the man in the crowd who has the most to say about what he did the season before or many seasons prior to that. Such men are always reliable and you can depend that every word dropped from their lips is gospel, the same kind as you would get in church, only with a different flavoring.

These loud talkers on training or racing are all very liberal, as they give advice, while the more prominent ones are silent; take for instance, the "Silent Man" from Tennessee, he never became a member of any stove circuit. The man you have selected for your example has had more experience, as he changes owners every year, not because the owners want him to go, far be it, but because he wants to try out different men and localities. He never thinks of that old saying "That a burnt child dreads the fire," but his favorite motto is, "There is a sucker born every day," and outside of talking, his one aim in life is to fish for suckers and many of them have great success, but their moving expenses are very large and the mileage mounts up.

Every race track has these types from which to copy, so you may settle in any section of the country and find good examples. After you have listened intently to a number of these human megaphones of their own glory, start out and find some owner who wants cheap training and will stand for a lot of verbal massaging. If he already owns a horse look the beast over and compare it to some of the great horses now racing. Maybe it will have a spavin or something similar that the great horse did not have and then you tell the owner about a horse that you trained several years before, that would not race without a spavin. Advise him to have the horse trained and then suggest that you could do wonders with him and endeavor in this way to break yourself into a sucker hunter.

If he consents to your training the horse, insist that the local track is either too soft or too hard and that such and such a track one hundred miles away is much better. This is the first move in training the owner, as you can do a lot of loafing while away from him, but if at the local track the owner is liable to drop out every day to see the horse worked. After arrangements have been completed, say to him, "Let me have $50, please, as I must run up to the city and get my family." This "almost" always works, as the "bull" you have thrown in is still percolating through the owner's massive brain. Go up to town, buy a cheap suit, also overalls, whip, spur and pair of pants protectors, then get soused on the balance.

These are about all you require, unless you have a driving suit left over from the last owner. This completes your outfit. Make out your list for track use, of course; this must include carts, sulkies, boots, coolers, blankets, etc., the owner may already have a good stock, but you must condemn them so that you will be able to make some extra change in buying others. Don't deal with any turf goods house unless they will stand for a rake-off, even if you must add this rake-off to the cost of the goods. Have these new goods shipped to the track, then gradually sell off the old stuff, forgetting to credit the owner with them, when you send in your bill. This is considered legitimate spoils and is nobody's business.

You will also have another splendid source of graft from the blacksmith who shoes the horse. Make an agreement with him to add about fifty cents to every bill, even in moving shoes, and be sure to collect your own piece of money at once, as it buys the "makings." At the end of each month add a number of extra trips to the blacksmith on your bill, because you know that it takes more shoeing to balance a horse than any owner has any idea of. We might state that it would not be a bad idea to get several such owners on your staff, and for this reason we advised you to locate away from the horse's home town.

Always be careful not to pay your feed bills too promptly, endeavor to have several good big ones left at the end of the season for the owner to pay. Of course, you must collect your training and other bills monthly; if not successful in this, seize the horse for bill of keep and make the owner come across, but note here, be careful that the horse will bring the amount of your two months' training bill under the hammer. Some trainers have been known to overestimate the value of the animal.

As an example of what these migratory trainers, who like to live in different parts of the country, can do to accumulate wealth, we will state the case of one in the east who never got far from the Quaker City. This one did ride in front once in awhile. He had a remarkable good gift of gab and could hand it out to everybody, including owners and judges in the stand. This brilliant star in the firmament of easy money getters claimed to have invented a liquid, the contents of which were kept secret, that worked wonders with owners for awhile, but its efficiency sometimes did not last an entire season. He would take a large barrel of water, put in two ounces of his secret liquid, which concoction he would keep standing in one of his boxstalls. When an owner put up a kick about the expense bills, manner of driving a race, or any other thing that did not cater towards perfect harmony, this trainer would pick the owner up (or have his swipes do it) and immerse him in the barrel of liquid and the effect would be magical, as smiles would take the place of frowns, and when removed from the liquid the owner would shake hands with everybody in sight and then hand the trainer his bankroll and if that was not large enough, a bunch of signed checks. This man saved enough money to buy an estate in his old country, Poland, but since the war has wiped out his possessions, it is said he is selling horse goods on commission. Don't blame anything but the war for his fall in the world, as his active brain may find some way to put him on his feet without divulging the formula of his famous (?) liquid.

Now that we have shown what one man can do, we will go on with our instructions to you as to how to make money from those vermin in some trainers' eyes, the owner. You had better have a swipe or two hanging around your stable, in case the owner appears, as they give you an excuse for collecting money. Of course, you must not pay these men anything. Allow them a suite of rooms in one of your box stalls and give them the price of a growler once in awhile, with the understanding that when the owner appears, they must stall on the swiping job; all they need to know is how to roll a bandage. If you cannot get them this cheap, promise them any old wages and stall them until you are ready for your getaway and then let the owner settle.

We are now supposing that you have done some little training to your horse and have promised to have him ready for some meeting where the owner wants to shine. You now do a little work, get the horse ready to show a fast quarter or even an eighth before shipping away. When you are ready to ship, borrow some money (of course, it is understood that you have been touching right along), in addition to shipping expenses. When you arrive at the starting town, pre-empt about four more stalls than you need, load several of them with hay and feed, while your credit is good in this new town. If the feed man wants his money, stall him off with the excuse that you expect the owner any day now, and you will get it for him. Never let him see the owner. You collect the money and keep it. Ship out suddenly on the last day, or maybe the night before. Take this feed with you, and at the next town sell it back to the boss. You thus make money going and coming.

On the day of your race, collect the entrance money from the boss and pay it to the secretary yourself; in fact, you must always remember to keep the owner in the background, unless men you owe become noisy and dangerous. Then trot out the owner, but before doing this, take him to one side and tell him about a sick family or any other heart-rending tale, at the same time asking him to pay the bill and you will settle with him. In the excitement of the moment, the boss will not go into details.

Your most trying moment will come during your first race, and if the field is a large one, you had better kick the horse in the shin, or else tie a hair from his tail, tight around his ankle, under the fetlock. This will make him lame and you will have a good excuse for not making a good showing. If there is a very small field in the race, ask to have the flag waived, or if you cannot get this done, claim foul; most judges cannot see as far as the backstretch, and you may save your bacon by being allowed to continue, even if the flagman was naughty to you.

If the owner is good natured and has had little experience, he may stand for a lot of this at each start, but our advice to you is to always be ready to change your base of operations and always keep carfare around your clothes. While traveling from town to town with your horse always stay at the best hotel in town, as it allows you to associate with trainers that do win money and at the same time, this high living gives you strength to campaign on the stove circuit during the coming winter, when you must keep up your front for another fishing trip after a sucker-owner. Never allow anyone to quote the Year Book to you as an authority. Always say it is mistaken.

Now that we have steered you from start to finish in an occupation that is honorable, we trust that you will profit by our advice and not allow prosperity to induce you to spend some of this easy money that many trainers are making each year. These sucker-hunting trainers can be found east, west, north and south and so you will not be alone, if you adopt our ideas. Remember, many of the most prominent trainers have been expert hack drivers or have graduated from the ranks of drivers of trucks, grocery or businesses that require expert manipulating of the reins.

—W. H. SHIELDS.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

MAY KING'S LAST HOME.

Thinking that perhaps Review readers might be interested in a brief history of events relating to the closing years of the career of the horse that sired the mighty Bingen, I visited, on March 29, the farm where he spent his last days, with the view to securing material for this sketch.

May King was consigned to the Old Glory sale, held in New York City during November, 1905, by Wolverdeen & Brown, of Massachusetts, and although he was foaled in 1886, and was therefore well along in his twentieth year at the time, Mr. Albert T. Hoyt, the proprietor of Maplewood Farm, three miles south of Ft. Fairfield, Maine, decided that he would purchase him, providing that he could be bought for $300.

Mr. Hoyt was unable to attend the sale in person, so he commissioned his friend, Mr. N. B. Parsons, to bid on the horse for him. Mr. Parsons was then a resident of Ft. Fairfield and had made arrangements to attend the sale. The horse was sold to Mr. Parsons, on November 20, for $235. He was shipped to Ft. Fairfield and taken to Mr. Hoyt's farm on November 27.

He made his first season at Maplewood Farm in 1906, covering 32 mares, 28 of which produced foals. This remarkable showing as a foal getter was a very agreeable surprise to Mr. Hoyt, in view of the fact that he had written his former owners, Messrs. Wolverdeen & Brown, a few weeks after his purchase, inquiring as to his sureness as a foal getter, and they made the discouraging report that out of 18 mares covered during the season of 1905, only three appeared to be in foal.

May King's subsequent seasons were as follows: 1907, 60 mares; 1908, 45 mares; 1909, 10 mares. While Mr. Hoyt is positive as to the results of the services of 1906, he is not able to state accurately just how many foals were the fruits of the three succeeding seasons; but is of the opinion that May King sired at least 100 foals after coming to Maine.

May King was put to death sometime during April, 1910. During the season of 1909, nearly a year before his death, an accident occurred to the horse, producing an injury which appeared to be incurable; and Mr. Hoyt finally concluded that it would be an act of mercy to destroy him. A mare wearing breeding hobbles, while being served, suddenly sat down upon her haunches, and in some way threw May King over backwards. This happened in a field, and as the ground was comparatively soft, it was not thought that any great harm had been done. It was soon apparent, however, that the horse had sustained an injury to his left hock. Although the injury was serious, the horse was able to cover several mares after the accident. He was able to bear weight upon the injured leg until sometime during the winter of 1909-10. The enclosed picture of May King, taken before his death, shows that he was then able to bear weight upon the injured limb. During the winter the condition became gradually worse and the horse spent much of the time in a recumbent position. He did not lose much flesh, however, and was in very good condition when destroyed. Mr. Hoyt informed me that, after the horse's death, he carefully dissected the injured hock and found "a peculiar spougy substance in its center"—no doubt some form of osseous degeneration.

As I began this article by promising that it should be a "brief history of events relating to the closing years" of May King's career, I shall pass over the history of his life, prior to his final ownership.

He was bred and foaled at Palo Alto, sired by Electioneer, dam May Queen 2:20, by Alexander's Norman; grandam Jenny (dam of King Almont 2:21½), by Crickett's Arabian, and took a time record of 2:21¼, as a six-year-old, October 22, 1892, at Nashville, Tenn. He stood fifteen hands, and some time in June, 1907, weighed 1,035 pounds. He was a dark bay, with black points, and had no white markings. He was remarkably well preserved, and it is said would have passed for a ten-year-old at the time of his death. His back showed none of the sagging, peculiar to breeding stallions of his advanced age. This point is especially well illustrated in the accompanying photo, which was taken a few months before his death, while in his twenty-fourth year.

May King had heavy bone for a horse of his size, and his legs, with the exception of his injured hock, were clean, flat and unblemished to the end. Whatever criticism has been made with regard to the lack of quality below the knees and hocks, in the limbs of some of his descendants, cannot reasonably be charged to his account.

May King started out on an "amble," but soon squared away on a pure trot. His action was inclined to be of the "trappy" order. He was clean gaited and wore no boots, or other paraphernalia. He was a remarkably pleasant road horse, and possessed a very amiable disposition. Mr. Hoyt's wife and children hitched and drove him to the buggy, on trips to town and among the neighbors, as fearlessly as they did the "old family mare."

The only standard performer that was sired by May King while owned by Mr. Hoyt is Baron King, p. 2:21¼, although there are several others with marks just outside the list. May King's service fee was "$25 to warrant a foal," during the four seasons that he stood at Mr. Hoyt's farm.—Dr. J. P. Foster, in the Horse Review.

Next Saturday, June 12th, with the free-for-all pace, the 2:10 trot and the 2:30 driving club trot will be the "one best bet" of the week.

THE FARM

CARE OF A COLT'S FEET.

The care of a horse's feet should commence when he is a colt, that is, before he is weaned. Untrimmed hoofs usually grow long and uneven, and a crooked foot, or worse, a crooked leg, is the result. Failure to regulate the length and bearing of the foot may make a straight leg crooked or a crooked leg worse, while intelligent care during the growing period can gradually improve a leg that is crooked at birth. When picking up a colt's foot teach him to stand on three legs and not depend on the one holding up his foot for the fourth point of support. The handling of a colt's feet begins with the near front foot. Tie a rope around the pastern, grasp the rope close to the foot, push gently againlst the shoulder, and quickly lift the foot. The lifting of the foot must be simultaneous with the weight shifting to the other feet. Gentle the foot and leg and let it down. Repeat several times and then trim and level the hoof.

To raise a hind foot, put on a rope as on the front foot and draw the foot upward. To put a rope on the hind foot of a wild horse, tie up a front foot, have the assistant hold his hand over the eye on the same side as the foot to be lifted, or take the headstall in one hand, the tail in the other, and whirl the horse until he becomes dizzy. While in this condition he may be handled with safety. Lift the foot forward two or three times and gentle it. As soon as the horse gives in, carry the foot backward into a shoeing position and trim the hoof.

To handle the feet of a horse that will not stand still, or that kicks, a halter twitch is a great aid. This twitch is easily applied and needs only the ordinary halter and tie rope. Pass the rope over the horse's head just behind the ears; raise the upper lip and put the rope across the gums above the teeth; run the rope through the loop made by passing the rope over the horse's head. The rope should be tight from the halter ring, over the head, under the loop, and through the loop. A few good pulls on this rope should make the horse stand quietly.

The first steps in breaking and gentling a colt, breaking him to lead and to understand the commands of driving, etc., are also dealt with in this Farmers' Bulletin No. 667, which may be had by application to the U. S. Department of Agriculture.

BEGIN SELECTION OF BREEDING SHEEP AT LAMBING TIME.

There are some matters in connection with breeding sheep which are continuous ones, such as selecting for stud purposes, drafting the flock, and mating, to mention three only. Each of these commences in the lambing pen, for here, with each individual ewe under direct observation, one can start to determine whether or not that ewe should be continued in the flock for another season. Whether or not the mating of that ewe during the past season has been successful can be decided by the result produced in the shape of a lamb.

In respect to the first of the three points mentioned, it has often been said: "You cannot begin this in the lambing pen." This is wrong. There is no better place in the world to commence the selection for stud purposes than the lambing pen. It may be argued, and it may be supported by any amount of facts, that selections made in the lambing pen are often wrong. They may be in respect to the best sheep, but they are never wrong in respect to the drafting out of the flock for stud purposes. All miscolored lambs, ill-formed lambs and badwooled lambs can always be picked out at once; and no careful flockmaster, who has any care for his future reputation, can afford to allow such to leave the lambing pen without the draft mark being pinned to their ear.

OLD HORSES AND PONIES.

For a horse to reach the age of 38 years is something phenomenal, although there are on record instances where horses surpassed that record. The average age of the horse is about 22 years. For a horse to advance 16 years beyond that, as did "Nig," owned by Christian L. Volz, of 42 William street, Newark, is remarkable. It can be matched, however, by a mare owned by a livery stable keeper in Birmingham, Alabama. This mare was 38 years old and the animal was at work up to the last. In 1896 a pony, belonging to Mrs. Pratt, of York, Pa., died aged 45. The Louisville Courier Journal mentions a horse that was still working at the age of 34. The veteran had done 26 years' work in a coach team.

Horses of a still older age are imported from England. A horse named Paramanta lived to be 53 and did an occasional day's work to within a few weeks of his death. The age of this horse is well authenticated, as, when he arrived at his 51st year, pains were taken to ascertain when he was foaled. Remarkable as this may seem there comes another case of still greater longevity. A Mr. Dampier, of Silwarthy, had a pony which died within a few weeks of his sixtieth year. Edmund F. Dease, of Gallstown, West Ireland, had a pony which had been ridden by four generations of his owner's family. More cases of ponies than of horses reaching great length of years are recorded, and greater ages seem to be attained by ponies. These are isolated cases, and more horses die before reaching 25 years than otherwise.—Newark Call.

INTERPRETING FARM RECORDS IN THE RIGHT WAY.

Advice to keep records is being constantly reiterated but little is written or spoken as to the vital question of their interpretation. Farm records must be correctly interpreted to be of value. Moreover they may prove a positive detriment to the farmer who interprets them wrongly and acts on his interpretation. One danger of misinterpretation arises from the fact that often the accounts with the individual farm enterprises, and with the farm as a whole, are not studied from the same point of view, or, are studied from a point of view that does not measure their true relation as agents of gain.

There are three modes of measuring the relative profitableness of farm business, involving respectively the finding of, (1) the farm income, (2) the farmer's labor income, and (3) the farm profit. The farm income is the amount left from the farm receipts after paying all the farm expenses; the labor income what is left after interest on the farm capital is deducted from the farm income; and the farm profit the balance remaining after a fair allowance for the labor of the farmer is deducted from the labor income. In other words, farm income is balance over farm expenditures, labor income is balance over expenditures and interest, and farm profit is balance over expenditures and interest on the farmer's own time.

Of these three, the labor income has been found to give the best index as to the net result of theyear's work. It stands for what the farmer has produced by farming or putting capital to work in agriculture. Capital alone can earn interest, and all that the farmer can claim to have produced by his efforts is what he has made over and above what his capital would have earned if safely invested. It therefore seems plain that the most accurate point of view from which to study and interpret the farm records is their contribution to the labor income.

After study of the records, if any changes in the farm make-up are planned, all sides of the effect of such changes should be carefully worked out, and it must be borne in mind that sometimes those enterprises that yield small labor income may be very necessary to the farm economy They may be the only methods by which the waste products, coarse roughage, etc., can be made to yield any income or help to maintain the fertility of the soil. Shese small yielding enterprises again may give employment to labor and capital during otherwise idle seasons. Radical changes may have far-reaching effects on the entire farm economy, through disturbing the relation the various enterprises bear to each other and to the farm as a whole.

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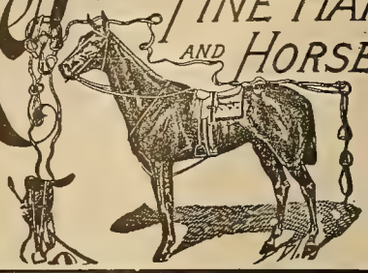


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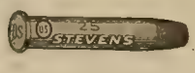
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LEATA J. 2:03.

In the days of 1907 there was a lawyer in the town of Stockton, one Jacobs, who had had a fine-looking young trotter, Royal McKinney by name. He was of regal blood, by old McKinney, his dam Hattie Hero, whose grandsire was Director. The young lawyer was proud of the colt he had raised and broke him upon the streets of the town.

One day he drove to the ranch of Farmer Acker, a good farmer and a lover of horses. He admired the young trotter but cash was short. "Oh, well," said Lawyer Jacobs, "I'm not in the service business, but you are a good fellow, and if you will give me a couple of those young turkeys I will give you the colt." The deal was on, the farmer's mare delivered a foal in safety, and it grew to be a large bay pacer—Blanche A., the farmer named her. He broke and trained her. She could speed a 2:10 gait, but unfortunately having a trick of bearing heavily towards the pole when going fast, she was taken from the track with a record of only 2:13½.

A near neighbor of Farmer Acker was Farmer Jones. He also was a lover of fine horses and trained and drove several good ones at the district fairs. One of his best was Geraldine 2:16½ by Mt. Vernon 2:15½ by Nutwood, dam Daisy by Chieftain.

One morning in early spring, the year, oh yes, 1908, Lawyer Jacobs drove to the ranch of Farmer Jones. Around the house were playing some fine collie pups. The farmer was well pleased with the Jacobs trotter, but crops were not showing up good and money was scarce. "Say, Jones, I'll tell you what I'll do. I've got a friend in San Francisco who wants a good collie pup. If you will give me one of those pups, it's a go." "All right," says Farmer Jones.

The farmer is not much of a talker and he keeps his thoughts and plans to himself, but that foal he believed was a world beater. He entered with spirit into the town matinees, and drove good ones such as Lady Irene 2:15½ by Diablo 2:09, dam Geraldine; Little Branch 2:16 by Nutwood Wilkes, and others, and he generally won out.

One year passed. There was upon the track one Parker, raised among the Blackhawks of Vermont. He was a driver at Palo Alto and rode Stanford's $10,000 trotter, Abe Edgerton, when those famous pictures were taken which developed into the "movies." Parker knew a good horse on sight, and he was driving in the "mats" one Guy McKinney pacer in 2:23, 2:15½, 2:10½ and finally in 2:05. The next year he passed into the hands of R. J. MacKenzie, and as Vernon McKinney took a record on the Grand Circuit of 2:01½.

Farmer Jones said nothing to others but smilingly said to himself, "I have a colt that will duplicate that." The same year he started in the matinee races a three-year-old pacer which he named Leata J. Of this filly he was very proud and never would he start her unless she was just right. Like Vernon McKinney, she proved to be a fast one and came right along. In that year, 1911, on August 13, Farmer Jones paced her in 2:21¾ and 2:16½, Bonnie W. taking the second heat in 2:20. The following week Leata J. paced the heats in 2:13½ and 2:18, Blanche A. taking the first heat in 2:16½. In November, with a runner, Leata J. paced the mile in 2:07½. In 1912 the mare paced miles in 2:07½, 2:06¼ and 2:05¼.

Farmer Jones now believed that "friendship" colt good enough to follow in the footsteps of Vernon McKinney, and under the direction of S. S. Bailey, and driven by Frank Childs, she started in the Grand Circuit races. She was entered in the major stakes, and contending aganist such old timers as Frank Bogash Jr., The Assessor, Del Rey, Stetbrino Lad and other speedy ones she proved herself the most wonderful mare ever on the eastern circuit. Frank Bogash Jr. was her only competitor, and at Kalamazoo she drove him out in 2:03½, 2:05¾ and 2:02¾. With a record of 2:03, she took nine first, four second and one fourth monies, winning $17,500.

Last year she was started three times only, at Woodland, Sacramento and a matinee. At Woodland she was second to Jim Logan in 2:04½ and 2:05½, Jim taking the first heat from Don Pronto in 2:01¾. She took the first two heats from Don Pronto and Jim Logan in 2:06, 2:03¾ at Sacramento and was beaten in the third heat by Logan in 2:07. In this heat Logan paced a half in 1:00 flat, Leata gaining on him at every stride.

This year the mare was worked out on June 1 in 2:07, 2:06 and 2:05¼ and the following Tuesday she paced in 2:12, 2:07 and 2:06½. She is entered in the free-for-all Saturday, June 12, and will there again meet Jim Logan and a great array of famous pacers from east and west, and here at Stockton we are thinking that she will be perilously near the top of the summary—perhaps right there.—[SAN JOAQUIN.]

THE NEW 2:10 LIST.

Generally, along about the middle of July the 2:10 list for the season gets its start at some of the central western tracks, but this year the scene of early activity in racing circles has been shifted to the Pacific coast and the 2:10 list for 1915 had its inception in the Golden State that has furnished so many of the fastest performers of all gaits and ages for many decades. At Woodland, on May 22, the ball was set to rolling, and the exposition meeting, as was confidently expected, has furnished a fair quota of additions to the roll of honor. Here is the list as it stands at present:

Trotters—New.

Moko Hall, br h foaled 1907, by Walnut Hall 2:08¼—Daisy Wilkes by Moko, grandam Daisy Simmons by Simmons 2:28; bred by Walnut Hall Farm, Lexington, Ky.; owned by F. J. Ruhstaller, Sacramento, Cal.; driven by Wm. Ivey, Woodland, Cal., May 22.....2:10

Pacers—Reduced.

Hal Boy, b g foaled 1907, by Hal B. 2:04½—Altalena by Altamont 2:26¾, grandam Laska by Rockwood 1467; bred by August Erickson, Portland, Ore.; owned by Edward Peterson, Omaha, Neb.; driven by Marvin Childs, San Francisco, June 5.....2:05¼

The Beaver, br h foaled 1909, by Searchlight 2:03¼—Ripple 2:28½ by Glenbrook 25505, grandam by Cooper Medium 11731; bred by Graham Taylor, Lexington, Ky.; owned by E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg, Manitoba; driven by W. W. Fleming, San Francisco, June 5.....2:05¾

Pacers—New.

Lock Logan, b g foaled 1910, by Zolock 2:05¼—Effie Logan by Durfee 11256, grandam Ripple by Prompter 2305; bred and owned by J. E. Montgomery, Davis, Cal.; driven by J. E. Montgomery, Woodland, Cal., May 22..2:07¼

O. U. C., b g foaled 1909, by C. the Limit 2:03¼—Rosie Woodburn 2:16 by Easter Wilkes, grandam Lady Beth by Gold Nut 2:11½; bred by C. L. Crellin, Pleasanton, Cal.; owned by S. S. Bailey, Pleasanton; driven by Frank Childs, San Francisco, June 8 ..... 2:08½

ESTABLISHMENT OF TROTTING IN AUSTRALIA.

That trotting, which for many years was despised by a number of patrons of horse sports, has at last come into its own is exemplified in an article covering a page of the last issue of the Referee, the well-known Sydney sporting journal. The following are extracts:

Trotting as a sport in this country is popular, and is increasing in public favor as the seasons roll by. It was not popular in the early nineties; indeed, it was in such disfavor that bookmakers could not be got to transact business on trotting events, or even to visit a course where they were being held. In the last twelve years there has been a marked change in the public view of trotting as a sport.

There are two clubs in Sydney, many in the country districts of New South Wales, over 100 of which give prizes in Victoria, and several in West Australia and Tasmania. In 1914 133 clubs and show societies were registered in New South Wales; throughout the country districts the standard of racing, as at Sydney, Melbourne, and Perth, is attaining a higher plane each year.

The official who has done most to control the sport in this state is Mr. R. C. Hungerford, who has been designated "The Father of Trotting" in New South Wales. He is associated with a body of committeemen who give their services to the controlling institution, the New South Wales Trotting Club, without any fee. As a result of the formation of that club in 1902, trotting entered upon a new era in this State.

Mr. Hungerford, in looking back for 13 years, says that there was practically no trotting in this state when his club was formed. Previously that gentleman had been secretary of the Greymouth (N. Z.) Trotting Club, and shortly after settling in Sydney he was appointed secretary of the New South Wales Trotting Club, and has held the position ever since.

It was with the greatest difficulty that the club was able to get people to attend, and its members had a harder task when they sought to procure the attendance of bookmakers, for a race meeting without the ring-men would be regarded as a tame affair by those interested in racing. After all, ten bookmakers did go to the meeting; half a dozen cried the odds in the paddock, and four did business on the flat. Nowadays over 70 metallicians ply their calling at each race meeting, and the investments aggregate a large total; often commissions for good round sums are placed. At the race meeting mentioned, Fritz, driven by his owner, the veteran breeder Mr. J. A. Buckland, of Leadville, gave an exhibition, and covered a mile in 2:16½. Later on Fritz met Ribbonwood in a match in New Zealand, and subsequently Mr. A. D. Playfair purchased the latter.

The New South Wales Trotting Club, which is non-proprietary in the purest sense of the word, was registered under the Companies Act.

One clause of the memorandum of association provides that the income is to be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the club, and no portion of it, by way of dividend, bonus, or otherwise, is to go to the members.

The third meeting, held at the Kensington racecourse, was a financial success. The sport had caught on. In the club's first racing season it gave £909 in prizes at a dozen meetings. The club continued to race at Kensington until June 28, 1904.

On July 19 racing again was held at Epping, and continued there until December 11, 1906, when, on account of the circumference of the track being insufficient, under the provisions of the Gaming and Betting Act which then came into operation, the club was compelled to make another change of venue, and held its next meeting at Ascot on February 2, 1907. It remained there till November 3, 1907. The club then went back to Epping, and has continued to race there since November 26, 1907.

During that year the committee of the club had talks with the powers that be regarding the new statutes and their course, with the result that part of the Gaming Measure was altered, and the size of track stipulated for was made to apply to horse and pony races. The club, having entered upon a run of prosperity, was able to purchase Epping Racecourse in December, 1911, and since then has spent over £5000 in alterations and improvements. Further work of this character is to be carried on at once.

In the first season (eight months) the New South Wales Trotting Club's revenue was £2,177; in the 1910-11 season the club gave in prizes £3,445, and its income was £7,000; in the following year the prizes were worth £3,385, and the revenue (16 meetings) was £8,559; last season the prizes totaled £3,146 (for 12 meetings), and the receipts amounted to £11,202, the club's best return.

In the first year the fees paid by bookmakers came to £143, and in the year ended July 31, 1914, the ringmen paid £1,398 for the right to bet at Epping.

The Australian Trotting Club, in the few years of its existence, has played a prominent part in the trotting world. The existence of two clubs in the metropolis has been beneficial to owners, for stakes having been raised, the racing fixtures have been increased, and now it is customary for horses not only from the Richmond and Penrith districts to take part in Sydney meetings, but ofttimes horses from the Southern Bathurst and Dubbo districts compete. Victorian owned, and even some Queensland bred, horses also find their way here.

The A. T. C. has provided two thousand pounds handicaps, which have been well supported by owners, and are attractive to the public.

The New South Wales T. C. has decided to discontinue the Sires' Produce Stake for two-year-olds, which have been in existence for seven years, and the management has in contemplation the substitution of an event for three-year-olds. For 11 years the latter club has published the "Register," giving results of registered meetings in New South Wales.

In the past 12 years trottind studs in Australia have increased considerably, and each year stock are imported from America. The descendants of Childe Harold, Van Cleve, Tuxedo, Huon, Dixie Alto, Abbey Bells, and Wildwood in Australasia are legion. Some owners have kept their own stock pure, but in districts where sires were used indiscriminately it is hard to find horses of direct breeding strains.—Australian Trotting Record.

The ranks of the prospective three-year-old trotting stars for 1915 were sadly depleted on May 27 by the death of the great filly Sparkle Watts (2) 2:10½, who dropped dead in harness on the track at Memphis, where she was a member of the Geers stable. As a yearling she was purchased from her breeder, General C. C. Watts, by Frank G. Jones of Memphis, Mr. Jones presenting her to his daughter, Miss Lula, at that time. As a two-year-old she won the junior divisions of the Horseman and Kentucky futurities and was beaten by Native Spirit in the Horse Review's classic after a hot contest in which the daughter of Native King was forced to hang up the season's record for trotters of that age, 2:09¾. She was a daughter of General Watts (3) 2:06¾ and Twinkle 2:05¼, dam also of the pacer Twinkling Dan 2:06¼, now a member of the stable of Charles A. Durfee at the exposition track.

The Ceremonies of Opening Day

After two years of hard work, careful planning, and the successful facing and overcoming of many discouraging obstacles, the first harness horse race meeting given by the Panama-Pacific International Exposition under the auspices of the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders' Association, opened promptly on schedule time on Saturday, June fifth. Despite the banks of fog that hung low over the Golden Gate and the encircling hills about the bay country throughout the afternoon, a large crowd was comfortably established in the grandstand when D. O. Lively, Chief of the Department of Live Stock, introduced President C. C. Moore of the exposition.

President Moore recounted briefly the major points concerning the inception and consummation of the idea to hold a great race meeting in connection with this greatest of expositions, taking advantage of the occasion to pay his compliments to the sport which has established itself so firmly in the esteem of the American people, as well as to the gentlemen who have been responsible for its rise from obscurity. In conclusion, he presented to the breeders' association, through its vice-president, I. L. Borden, the customary commemmorative plaque. Mr. Borden, who was suspected of having a more heartfelt interest in the warming up of Albaloma and various other candidates for the afternoon's honors than in fulfilling his portion of the formalities of the occasion, made a brief and popular speech of acceptance, and again Mr. Lively arose.

It had been the committee's intention, so said the Chief, to have a talk made by Budd Doble, the veteran reinsman who since the sixties has stood for all that is best in the sport and has achievements to his credit unsurpassed by any horseman, but Mr. Doble, though his name met with a hearty welcome, modestly failed to materialize. By request, Tom Gahagan had prepared a most interesting paper concerning the development of the trotter and the spread of harness racing throughout the country, Mr. Lively proceeding to read the same and the crowd to accord it both respect and hearty applause, its text being as follows:

Keeping pace with the progress of this country, the distinctively American sport of harness racing has grown to proportions which are not realized by any but those most closely in touch with the statistics of the sport. From the impromptu brushes on the roadway of the colonial days, it has grown and extended to every state of the Union as a highly organized sport, under the government heads of two parent trotting associations; millions of dollars are annually raced for on more than one thousand tracks. Practically every city, village and hamlet of the country, from the pine forests of Maine to the palm groves of California, boasts of its race track, either mile or half-mile.

The authorities in control of harness racing in this country long ago established the rule fixing the standard mark of the harness horse at 2:30; that is a horse which could negotiate a mile in harness in two minutes and thirty seconds or faster should be given a place in the annual year book as a horse with standard speed, his best time duly accredited in the list of animals which had performed in what came to be known as stndard time; a list which, by the way, has grown to such proportions that the turf officials, previous to the issuance of the last volume of the year book, found it necessary to include only the names of such animals as had taken their records during the past five seasons in order that the volume could be kept at anywhere near normal size.

It is just seventy years ago that the old gray trotter Lady Suffolk, driven by David Bryan, turned the Beacon Course at Hoboken, New Jersey, in 2:29½; the first trotter to beat the 2:30 mark, and at that time it was considered a marvelous feat. Perhaps it was when the handicaps in the matter of equipment, shoeing and vehicle are taken into consideration, for the outfit which gained the plaudits of the crowd at that time would excite only derision in the sight of a 1915 harness meeting audience. It is an age of progress and it is only by keeping abreast of the times that any business or sport, or a combination of both, a term which I believe is applicable to harness racing, can survive.

Four years after Lady Suffolk obtained the championship crown came Pelham, who trotted in 2:28 in 1849, a momentous year in the history of California. In 1853 Highland Maid reduced the record to 2:27 which was equaled by Tacony the same season. Flora Temple was the next champion and she accomplished what was at that time thought the impossible by trotting a mile in 2:19¾, the first trotter to beat the 2:20 mark. For eight years the famous little Flora remained the undisputed champion of trotters, then in the east appeared a trotter and a youthful driver, the former to become a world's champion, the latter to contribute more than one important chapter to the history of harness racing in America. The horse was Dexter, the driver Budd Doble, and from that August day at Buffalo in 1867, when he drove Dexter to the world's record of 2:17½, up to the present time, Doble has been the most notable figure connected with the sport of light harness racing. He later brought out the famous Goldsmith Maid and in 1874 drove her to the world's record of 2:14 at Mystic Park, Boston. Still actively in the harness, he has horses named to race at this meeting commencing today, and during the next two weeks this trainer of champions will be seen on this track matching his skill against the other star reinsmen.

Rarus, in 1878, dethroned Goldsmith Maid by trotting in 2:13¾, a record which stood but little more than a year, St. Julien, driven by Orrin Hickok, trotting the Oakland track, across the bay, in 2:12¾, which he later reduced to 2:11¼. Next came Commodore Vanderbilt's chestnut trotter, Maud S., who set the record at 2:10¼ in 1881. Jay Eye See trotted in 2:10 in 1884 but he was "a king for a day" for the day following his performance Maud S. turned the Glenville track at Cleveland in 2:09¾ and later set the mark at 2:08¾.

For six years Maud S. reigned the undisputed queen of harness horsedom, then a California star appeared in Sunol, from the Palo Alto stable of Senator Leland Stanford. Driven by Charles Marvin she turned the kite track at Stockton in 2:08¼. She was destined to be the last of the champions of the high wheel era, for it was but a year later that the sport of harness racing was revolutionized by the appearance of the bicycle sulky which did more to increase the speed rate than any other single factor in its history.

It was in 1892 that the bicycle sulky made its first appearance and it was Budd Doble who drove the first champion to that hitch. Driven by Doble, Nancy Hanks trotted the Terre Haute track in 2:04. Two years later Alix became champion by a mile in 2:03¾. In 1900 Ed Geers drove The Abbott in 2:03¼ and the following year Cresceus, driven by his owner, George Ketcham, trotted in 2:02¼. The Toledo trotter held the crown for two years but in 1903 it passed to the California product, Lou Dillon, which Millard Sanders drove to a record of 1:58½, the first trotter to beat the two-minute mark. Three years ago the black whirlwind Uhlan set the mark at 1:58 at the Lexington track and this record still stands as the best.

That the sport of harness racing has kept abreast of the times is proven by the increase in the speed rate. From the 2:29½ of Lady Suffolk to the 1:58 of Uhlan shows an increase in the speed rate for a mile of 31½ seconds. Trotting at their respective gaits Lady Suffolk would have hardly passed the three-quarter pole when Uhlan reached the finish, which gives an idea of the improvement which seventy years have brought about; nearly three-quarters of a century of improvement in the breeding of the harness horse as well as in the training and equipment.

In 1845 but one trotter and three pacers had beaten 2:30; at the close of the season of 1914 harness horse statistics showed that a total of 30,974 trotters and 22,878 pacers have records in standard time; more horses have beaten the two-minute mark in the past few years than had beaten 2:30 at that time. In 1914 there were in the neighborhood of 1,300 harness race meetings held at the various tracks in the United States and Canada, the horses racing for a total of more than $4,000,000 stakes and purses. Peter Scott, a trotter which will be raced here at the October meeting, sold for $30,000 last summer; another, Directum I 1:58, the king of racing pacers, which is also scheduled to race here in the fall, sold for $35,000 only a few months ago; there are two score of trotters and pacers here now ready to race, any one of which could be sold for a small fortune.

Many people who have never taken the trouble to investigate the subject of harness racing carry the idea that the gambling factor enters largely into its affairs. This is a mistaken idea. At least seventy per cent of the harness meetings of this country are conducted as the meetings will be upon this exposition track, without bookmaking or pool selling; in fact, there is far less money wagered upon the results of the harness races than upon the baseball games, and baseball is admittedly the most popular sport of this nation and the only one that, taken as a whole, exceeds harness racing in popularity.

It is fitting that the meeting which opens here today, with a program which from a financial standpoint is more valuable than any ever offered for the harness horses, should be held in connection with the greatest exposition of the age. It has served to attract valuable horses from all parts of the United States and Canada, many of them having been shipped here months ago in order that they might have the advantage of the early training season which is denied them in the east.

The love of a contest of speed between members of the equine family is a heritage which has been handed down to us from the earliest ages. According to the most reliable historians countless throngs were thrilled to frenzy by the sight of the chariot races in the stadium at Antioch, Athens and Rome, centuries before the Christian era. In the days of the Caesars the winning charioteers were accorded honors almost equal to those claimed by the Roman emperors. We are living in a different age now but the love of the horse, man's noblest friend, is still strong in the hearts of people in all walks of life. During the coming two weeks many of the greatest harness horses of the day, driven by drivers whose names are household words in the world of the harness horse, will contest on this track for racing honors as well as rich financial rewards. It is safe to prophesy that the record of the coming meeting will constitute one of the brightest pages in the history of the sport of light harness racing.

With this conclusion to the day's formal opening, the race meeting became an accomplished fact and President Moore entered the judges' stand to give the word for the starters in the first heat of the 2:30 trot.

Do not forget that $2150 will be hung up for harness horses on July 5 at Pleasanton. Particulars on a business page.

JACOB RUPPERT.

Jacob Ruppert, who died at his residence, 1116 Fifth Avenue, New York City, on the night of Tuesday, May 24, at the age of seventy-four, as the climax of a physical breakdown that had set in several years ago, will be deeply and sincerely regretted by every man devoted to the interests of the light harness horse, whether from the breeding or the racing standpoint.

Throughout the trotting world Mr. Ruppert had been known for thirty years past as an ardent lover of the standard-bred horse and one unwearied in his efforts to promote the advancement of the breed. He was the proprietor of one of the most important breeding establishments ever maintained in the Empire State; in connection therewith, of a racing plant which, always splendidly maintained, had been the scene of numerous Grand Circuit meetings, of which he was the sponsor; he was a generous patron of the leading futurity events, and the owner of a large training and racing stable—as well as being constantly and intelligently interested in all cognate affairs and subjects. Having amassed a fortune running high into the millions in commercial life, he was without financial handicaps in the conduct of his equine operations, and as a consequence his liberality and free-handedness in all that he did were unfailing. His methods were never of the "spread-eagle" or notoriety-seeking nature; he sought no personal "reclame"; and in every way he was not only a strong pillar, but an admirable one, of the great trotting industry.

His Hudson River Stock Farm and Driving Park, at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., were established in the 'eighties. These properties had previously been the property of the late Edwin Thorne, one of the foremost of New York's trotting devotees, both as breeder and owner, in former decades, when the late Alden Goldsmith had also been identified with them. After the purchase of the plant by Mr. Ruppert, the track was rebuilt by the late Seth Griffin, America's most famous track builder, and the entire estate was remodeled and highly improved, in which condition it was permanently maintained. Many meetings were given at Poughkeepsie under Mr. Ruppert's auspices, but their discontinuance was finally forced owing to the drastic legislation enacted in the state because of the abuses which the "running game" in and about New York City had given rise to. So great was Mr. Ruppert's desire to continue racing at Hudson River Driving Park that he sponsored a number of "betless" meetings, but was reluctantly obliged to abandon them owing to the losses which they entailed. But successful combined fairs and meetings still were given annually in the fall.

One of the first stallions owned by Mr. Ruppert was Virgo Hambletonian 3300, son of Hambletonian 10, chiefly noted as the sire of Charley Hogan 2:18¾, a gelding that Budd Doble campaigned with conspicuous success in the middle 'eighties. Later on Favorite Wilkes 2:24½, son of George Wilkes 2:22, and own brother of Bourbon Wilkes, being out of the noted matron Favorite, by Abdallah 15, became and long remained the premier at Hudson River Farm, where he sired many good performers. Baron Rose 2:20¼, a son of Stamboul 2:07½ and Minnehaha, was a subsequent purchase, and his son Flower 2:21¾, bred at the farm, was also used as a sire, as was also Ruprecht 2:17¼, a home-bred son of Favorite Wilkes. In February, 1902, Mr. Ruppert paid $15,700, at auction, for the celebrated race horse and sire Oakland Baron 2:09¼, still the titular premier at Hudson River, although now not in public service. Within the past few seasons Mr. Ruppert had acquired and installed as his principal stallions Guy Axworthy (4) 2:08¾, whose brilliant successes as a speed-getter caused him great satisfaction, and Sir Marque 47462, a young horse whose promise as a sire was most reassuring, as from his first few foals trained had already been developed several very fast performers. The brood mare band, gradually built up, by means of selection, weeding-out and liberal expenditure, ranked among the most select.

Mr. Ruppert leaves a widow, two sons and two daughters. Whether any directions regarding the disposal of his trotting interests are contained in his will is so far unknown. It is earnestly to be hoped that the splendid establishment in which he took so much pride and pleasure will be maintained by some one of the heirs, but it is said to be the prevalent impression that this is unlikely. If such be the case, the opportunity presented for some eastern horseman to acquire a first-class breeding and racing establishment, of historic note, is most exceptional and should not be allowed to pass unheeded. As is well known, the Hudson River Driving Park is considered second to no place in America as a training ground, and there for a number of seasons past America's premier winning reinsman, Thomas W. Murphy, has wintered and prepared his stable of champions and record-breakers.

Personally Mr. Ruppert was one of the most genial of men. His circle of acquaintances was very large and his friends were literally legion. He had a warm heart, easily touched by the misfortunes of others, and his charities and benevolences, his unfailing kindliness of spirit and desire to favor and assist his fellow-men, endeared him to all with whom he came in contact. We record his death with the deepest and most genuine regret. The Review had counted Mr. Ruppert among its true and consistent friends for a quarter of a century and his "passing" is a loss of the kind which cannot be repaired. Review.

Pacers Buzz at Exposition Track

Under weather conditions that were not conducive to extreme speed, the long awaited exposition trots opened Saturday afternoon with an enthusiastic crowd of followers of the sport on hand to cheer the winners. The way to the track is a long one and lowering skies had an adverse effect on the attendance as well, but the spectators came in a steady stream from an early hour, and before the first event was called several sections of the monster grandstand were packed from the boxes to the topmost tiers of seats, something over five thousand admissions being checked by the turnstiles. The ceremonies attendant upon the opening of an enterprise of such unprecedented scope (described at length in another department of this publication) were given pleasing attention on the part of the big crowd which was in "hearing distance" of the central box, and interest in the coming events had reached a high point when President C. C. Moore of the exposition called the horses for the first race, acting as starter for the initial heat.

Evidently suffering from palpitation of the gizzard or some similar ailment, owing to the previous history and recent fast workouts of a number of the entries in the 2:30 trot, over half of the original nominators to this event scratched their horses Friday evening, leaving only Virginia Barnette, McCloskey, Spriggan, The Proof and Bon Cres to stage the opening performance of the big meeting. All of them had gone the route in ten or better in their training, and while some of the greenest of the bunch had shown the fastest work, the experience of McCloskey recommended him to the crowd's respect. Virginia Barnette, for whom the event was the second race of her career, was unsteady in scoring, and though Durfee nodded for the word a bit back the first time down, President Moore gave her "the benefit of the doubt" that exists concerning new ones and gave the field a couple more trials. They took the word with McCloskey on the pole, The Proof breaking on the first turn. Spriggan and McCloskey hotfooted to the half together, with Virginia close up, and while Spriggan hung on gamely the white faced gelding showed him the way to the wire in 2:09¾, Virginia having lost her chance for the heat through a break at the head of the stretch. Bon Cres broke in the stretch and was just outside the flag, which was at the short distance.

In the second heat Spriggan took the overland route going away and before the quarter was passed had assumed the lead, retaining that position until rounding into the stretch, when Durfee came around for a win with the Moko filly in a drive that promised to be a great contest until McCloskey broke, The Proof also losing his feet in the stretch but settling quicker than McCloskey and beating him home. Again Spriggan led to the quarter, the half and into the stretch, with the field all close up, McCloskey winning the heat and race after a nice contest in the stretch with Virginia, who had to cover quite a bit of extra ground to get out to a position where Durfee could get an open view of the wire. Of the four, Spriggan trotted the most consistent race, marred by no break or misbehavior of any kind. The Proof's friends were well satisfied with him and the whole quartette of youngsters can be depended upon to show marked improvement with age and experience. McCloskey annexed a winrace record at last and is no longer a 2:30 trotter.

The 2:07 pace gave the crowd a run for their money that they will long remember, incidentally bringing about the accomplishment of that graceful "del sarte" performance alluded to last week as an imminent probability—the upsetting of the dope all over the beach. Hal Boy, White Sox, Walnut Grove, Homer Mac, College Gent and Teddy Bear were all given more consideration both on the part of public and horsemen than The Beaver, on past performance, but it is the unexpected happenings that add real spice to life in general—politics, religion, horse racing in particular—and there was an ample sufficiency of this kind of spice in evidence. As entries for this class did not close until June first there was only one scratch, Dan Logan, and the field numbered ten high class sidewheelers, a number of them entered also in the free-for-all pace, and almost all of them candidates for the big end of the $20,000 stake on getaway day.

For the size of the field and considering the fact that for a pair of them it was their first start of the season, they were not an unruly bunch to get away, getting the word for the first heat with all of them on the pace. Hal Boy, who had drawn the pole, set sail from the start and led the field in a mass formation to the quarter in :30, the half in 1:01¾, the three-quarters in 1:34½. Heading into the stretch the teamsters who were within striking distance began "asking it of 'em," Teddy Bear collaring Hal Boy as his particular opponent and the balance of the bunch scrapping behind them for positions in the money. Down in front of the long grandstand sped the leaders, the stand rising to them to a man. Inch for inch they fought it out, and when they flashed head-on past the judges the cries were loud and long for Teddy Bear, who has more friends in San Francisco than there are fiddlers in the lower regions. The judges saw Hal Boy first, however, and the time hung out, 2:05¼, was a full second faster than any of his previous performances. Behind the leaders the Canadian entries had slipped into third and fourth position, and Booze had gotten the flag. White Sox, much to the disappointment of a strong contingent of Durfeeites, insisted on breaking early in the game and failed to figure in the contest.

Undaunted by the close call he had in the first heat, Hal Boy again raced to the front in the second, going to the quarter in :30¾; down the back stretch Homer Mac raced to the front with Hal Boy at his wheel and The Beaver in the trail, rounding into the stretch a bit wide on account of the short turn. This was Fleming's opportunity and he came through on the pole with The Beaver for a straight shoot to the wire, passing both Homer Mac and Hal Boy in a great burst of speed that brought applause from the stand, Hal Boy standing the drive gamely though unsuccessfully. White Sox and Little Bernice, the Los Angeles girls, both had trouble keeping their feet, the latter finishing behind the flag.

It hardly seemed possible that there could be another heat below 2:06 after the sizzling time of the first two heats, but this bunch of pacers are of the real kind and came out fresh as daisies for the final trip. The Beaver went to the half and the three-quarters in the same old 1:03 and 1:36 notch, with the field well bunched behind him, and again came home in 2:05¾ in a most impressive manner, winning from the game little Hal B. gelding by a length, Barney Barnes shoving College Gent just ahead of Jim Stewart and Homer Mac for third place, Walnut Grove improving his previous positions by one notch. White Sox again disappointed her friends and finished far back, Durfee not asking her to beat the flag after early breaks. Fleming's driving and The Beaver's win were well received by the spectators, and the jubilant Canadians were heartily congratulated on all sides.

Three M. and M. candidates showed up in the field of five horses that came out for the 2:08 trot—The Duchess, Albaloma and Peter McCormick, the latter lad being one of the heaviest staked trotters of the year, as he is entered from San Francisco to Hartford and return in all the major events to which a 2:10 trotter is eligible. The Duchess was highly regarded by the local contingent who had watched her work since coming here, but a bit of injury through picking up a nail in one foot a few days ago had led to a slight change in her shoeing and she was unsteady, for the first time this season. Esperanza, on the other hand, has been making a good many breaks in her training and made only a couple in the race, though she seemed to lack her customary whizz. Saturday's results and the condition of the track lead to the view that it is "pacers' footing," and that the sidewheelers will make comparatively better time over it than the trotters, as hard going is more apt to slow up the latter, and Saturday's going was nothing if not hard, the cushion over firm footing that best suits the average trotter being conspicuous by its absence, at least on that portion of the track to be viewed competently from the stand.

Kid Cupid went away on the pole, which he surrendered to the roan mare before the quarter was reached, and before the three-eighths was passed the field was cut to three horses. Kid Cupid, in the trail behind Albaloma, started to take out just as Quinn also decided on a shift of position for his mount, the result being that the chestnut gelding ran one front foot through the wheel of Albaloma's sulky, putting both of them out of the heat without serious injury to horse or man. The Duchess and Esperanza broke in the stretch and Peter McCormick won in slow time, the judges placing Albaloma and Kid Cupid fourth and fifth respectively. In the second heat the five got the word in a faultless start, but The Duchess, Albaloma and Esperanza all broke in the first five-eighths, Peter McCormick leading the way. Albaloma moved up to even terms at the half, Peter going rough owing to an endeavor to jump the trail left by the water wagon and failing to get squared away in time to catch the California gelding in the stretch, although he finished at Quinn's shoulder.

Peter had the edge on the others in the start of the final heat, taking the pole in the first eighth. The Duchess made a move for the lead at the half but failed to get through and Albaloma led into the stretch. The roan mare left her feet again, and the big Peter the Great trotter let out another link and lengthened his stride for a clean win, The Duchess outfooting Albaloma for place.

During the afternoon Millard Sanders sent Barney Oldfield, his guideless pacer, an exhibition mile in :33½, 1:08½, 1:45, 2:19, the crowd receiving the performance well and giving Barney a good hand.

The day's officials were O. P. Updegraff of Topeka, starter; Magnus Flaws of Chicago, presiding judge, and J. A. Burnett of Denver and Robert S. Brown of Petaluma, associate judges; J. S. Bransford of Salt Lake and S. Christenson and John A. McKerron, timers; Geo. B. Kelley, clerk; I. B. Dalziel, marshal, and Sandy Smith, flagman. Here are the details:

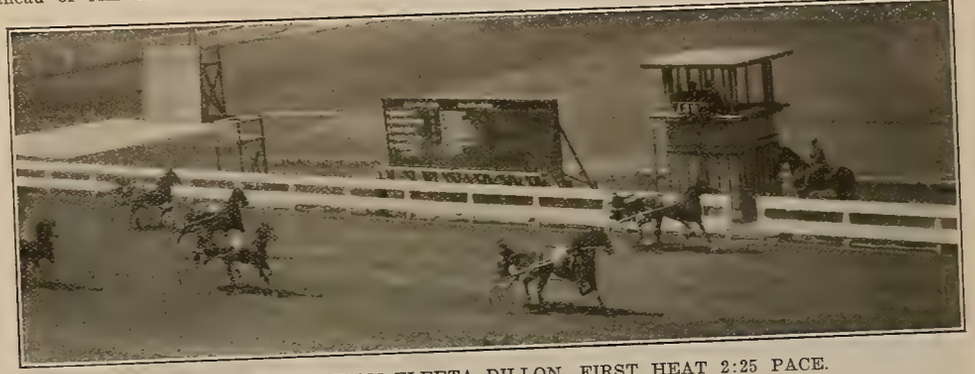
San Francisco, Saturday, June 5, 1915.

2:30 trot, $2,000:

McCloskey, br g by Theodosius 2:18½—Maggie C. by Odd Socks 2:20½ ..... (McDonald) 1 4 1
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr 2:07¼ by Zombro 2:11 ..... (Will Durfee) 3 1 2
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney 2:10¼—Helen Simmons 2:11½ by Simmons 2:28 (Will DeRyder) 2 2 3
The Proof, b h by The Exponent 2:11¾—Chord 2:27 by Wilkes Boy 2:24½ ..... (Spencer) 4 3 4
Bon Cres, bl h by Bon Voyage 2:08—Kate Kopje by Cresceus 2:02¼ ..... (Chadbourne) ds

Time—:33 , 1:05 , 1:39½, 2:09¾
:32½, 1:06¼, 1:40 , 2:10¼
:32½, 1:08¾, 1:41¾, 2:12¼

Distribution of purse—McCloskey $800, Virginia Barnette $575, Spriggan $400, The Proof $225.



O. U. C. WINNING FROM FLEETA DILLON, FIRST HEAT 2:25 PACE.

2:07 pace, $2,500:

The Beaver, br h by Searchlight 2:03¼—Ripple 2:28½ by Glenbrook ..... (Fleming) 3 1 1
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B. 2:04½—Altalena by Altamont 2:26¾ ..... (Marvin Childs) 1 2 2
Teddy Bear, br h by Del Coronado 2:09½—Queen S. by Sable Wilkes 2:18 ..... (Daniels) 2 4 6
Homer Mac, b h by Petigru 2:10¼—Eagletta 2:11½ by Ketchum 2:16¼ ..... (Stewart) 7 3 4
College Gent, bl h by Kentucky Patterson—Belle H. by Senator Crisp ..... (Barnes) 4 8 3
Walnut Grove, bl h by Constantine 2:12½—Lindis by Jackdaw 2:28¾ ..... (Ruthven) 6 6 5
Zulu Belle, bl m by Petigru 2:10¼—Johanna Treat 2:24¾ by Thomas Rysdyk ..... (Schwartz) 8 7 7
White Sox, b m by Del Coronado 2:09½—Subito by Steinway 2:25¾ ..... (Will Durfee) 9 5 ds
Little Bernice, b m by Del Coronado 2:09½—Pearl Pointer by Sky Pointer ..... (Whitney) 5 ds
Booze, b g by Dupe—Daughter of Bay Bird ..... (Montgomery) ds

Time—:30 , 1:01¾, 1:34½, 2:05¼
:30¾, 1:03 , 1:36 , 2:05¾
:31 , 1:03 , 1:36 , 2:05¾

Distribution of purse—The Beaver $1,031.25, Hal Boy $781.25, Teddy Bear $312.50, Homer Mac $218.75, College Gent $156.25.

2:08 trot, $5,000:

Peter McCormick, br h by Peter the Great 2:07¼—Pearl Cecil by Cecil W. 2:28½ ..... (Shuler) 1 2 1
Albaloma, b g by Almaden D. 2:16¼—Loma B. by Stam B. 2:11¼ ..... (Quinn) * 1 3
The Duchess, ro m by Allerteen—Cecilian Kate by Cecilian Prince 2:30 ..... (McDonald) 2 4 2
Esperanza, b m by Carlokin 2:07½—My Irene S. 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½ ..... (Will Durfee) 3 3 4
Kid Cupid, ch g by Cupid 2:18—Zarina 2:13¾ by Dexter Prince ..... (Daniels) * 5 5

*Did not finish; placed Albaloma 4, Kid Cupid 5, owing to unavoidable accident.

Time—:32 , 1:06 , 1:40 , 2:11
:32 , 1:06¾, 1:41 , 2:11½
:32¼, 1:04½, 1:38½, 2:09½

Distribution of purse—Peter McCormick $2187.50, Albaloma $1250, The Duchess $937.50, Esperanza $625.

Second Day.

Tuesday, June 8.—Under a clear sky but with the wind more pronounced than on opening day, racing was resumed at the exposition track this afternoon before a fair crowd, the properly conceived idea that it was a "short card" cutting the attendance noticeably. The 2:13 trot scheduled for today having failed to fill, the management announced a match race between White Sox 2:06¼ and Twinkling Dan 2:06¼, members of the stables of W. G. and C. A. Durfee, respectively, but the arrangement "went wrong," leaving only two races for the day.

Anvilite, the much heralded youngster in the MacKenzie stable, made good by winning the two-year-old trot in fine fashion, behaving like a veteran at all parts of the mile. Natalday, with Lon McDonald up, drew the pole for the first heat and Starter Updegraff sent the babies away on an almost perfect start. The Expense broke early in the game and Will Durfee set sail with Miss Rico and opened up

a good lead, followed by Natalday, Anvilite and Carleta. The Christenson and MacKenzie trotters began closing up near the half, Anvilite going into second place before reaching the five-eighths. The Expense made up quite a bit of ground, but Carleta broke on the turn and did not settle in time to beat the flag, Miss Rico never being headed and winning in highly creditable time.

Again the field went away in excellent shape, Miss Rico in the lead, with Natalday forging into second place before reaching the quarter but losing that position through a break. Down the back stretch Anvilite let out a bit of speed that put him in the lead at the half, with The Expense laying in good position, the three leaders rounding into the lane well bunched. Anvilite won by himself, The Expense going off her feet after starting a nice drive that promised results for a time. In the final heat, the Spencer filly again showed unsteadiness in the stretch, Miss Rico setting the early pace, as before; Anvilite supplanted her at the three-eighths and the trio were well matched at the half, Natalday losing a little ground around the short turn. Durfee began a drive that threatened DeRyder's position in the summary for a few seconds, but under the urging Miss Rico shifted to a pace and Anvilite led the way to the wire practically unchallenged.

Seldom do five nicer youngsters face a starter, as they behaved perfectly in scoring and all showed they could trot. June is a most unusual time for racing two-year-olds, and in the face of the time of the year and the wind they bucked on the back stretch the time made by the youngsters is remarkable. Anvilite, the winner, is the first performer to the credit of that grand trotting machine, The Anvil 2:02¾, and is also the first trotter to be produced by a daughter of The Spy, a son of Chimes that never achieved a record, while Miss Rico's performance brings new laurels to the futurity winner Manrico (3) 2:07¹₄, gaining him a position in the great table of sires. All of these youngsters are staked in the usual California classics to be raced in November, and with the exception of Anvilite are California bred. Some weeks ago DeRyder let up on the MacKenzie colt for the time, as he is engaged in $140,000 worth of stakes later on, but the manner in which he performed today gave no indication of anything radically wrong, and he should be a good contender in the eastern classics if he comes on as he promises to.

The 2:25 pace, with nine starters, brought out a real horse race that gave the crowd some recompense for the shortness of the program, "winner picking" proving a precarious occupation. With Fleeta Dillon in the field the railbird contingent anticipated some delay in scoring, as the fast daughter of Sidney Dillon has never been noted for the excellency of her behavior, but in Laurence Shuler's hands she acted like a real Indiana lady, though for a genuine Hoosier lass she was hardly rigged properly, Shuler bringing her before the public half naked and minus the drawers that she had been sporting of late. Dicto had the pole with Fleeta on the outside and on the word the bay mare rushed to the front for a goodly lead, with Donald and A. B. C. leading the balance of the field and O. U. C. next to last at the half. O. U. C. carried a lot of "hopes" for many members of the crowd and they were resigned to the acceptance of a place back in the ruck, but they were not estimating properly the amount of speed the lad had on tap. Coming wide into the long stretch, Childs opened him up for a regular Garrison finish, passing all the field save Fleeta Dillon well down from the wire, and collaring her in turn in the last several yards. His rush gave some idea of the speed that caused his sale at a good price last spring, as he must have paced the last quarter very close to twenty-nine seconds and went a long mile in the bargain. Directline finished well, outfooting the balance of the field for third position.

After the showing made by O. U. C. in the first heat the crowd settled themselves to watch him win a race in straight heats, but the man who ladles out the racing luck had other ideas. Fleeta in second position behaved as well as when she was out in the clear, and again took the lead. At the eighth the shout "he's broke" went up from the big delegation whose eyes were closely following Frank Childs' green jacket, and O. U. C. was seen to be in difficulties of a dire nature, his jimtown being of the standstill variety that put him hopelessly out of the race. McGuire, Chadbourne and Ivey in the order named followed Shuler to the half, where DeRyder moved up to third, and in the stretch another battle royal ensued, A. B. C., Directline and Zomblack standing good drives and finishing in the order named. O. U. C. came in with a broken hobble, explaining the reason for his defeat.

Fleeta came down on a canter the first time out in the third heat and the remark that the show had started was current in short order, but she fooled 'em again and on the next score the field was sent away in excellent shape, Fleeta in front to the quarter as usual, with A. B. C. second and Zomblack third. At the three-eighths Chadbourne took the lead, surrendering it in turn to DeRyder at the half, the pair leading the bunch into the stretch and flattening out for home, Zomblack, A. B. C. and Directline all responding well to a stiff drive and finishing in that order. Directline broke nearing the wire through no fault of his own, having picked up a nail, a relic of the auto races. Fleeta Dillon went the best race of her career and the winners of the different heats, as well as Directline, all showed up to good advantage. So far, Starter Updegraff has set an enviable pattern for his fellow starters to follow, almost all of his starts being heartily commended by the spectators. The details:

San Francisco, Tuesday, June 8, 1915.
Two-year-old trot, purse $2000, 2 in 3:

Anvilite, b c by The Anvil 2:02¾—Martha Spy by The Spy .....(C. L. DeRyder)	2	1	1
Miss Rico, br f by Manrico (3) 2:07¼—Subito by Steinway (3) 2:25¾.....(W. G. Durfee)	1	2	2
Natalday, b c by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼—Ella J. by Bob Mason 2:27½.....(McDonald)	3	4	3
The Expense, br f by The Proof (2) 2:29¾—Nusta 2:23½ by Nushagak .....(Spencer)	4	3	4
Carleta, b f by Carlokin 2:07½—Alexandria by Bon Voyage 2:08 .....(C. A. Durfee)	ds		

Time—:34 , 1:10½, 1:46¼, 2:21¼
:34 , 1:10 , 1:47 , 2:22¼
:35 , 1:14 , 1:50½, 2:24¾

Distribution of purse—Anvilite $1000, Miss Rico $500, Natalday $300, The Expense $200.

2:25 pace, purse $2000:

A. B. C., bl g by Young Monterey 2:24¼—Rosalie by Dudley 2:14 .....(Chadbourne)	4	1	2
Zomblack, bl h by Zombro 2:11—Madeline Marshall by Demonio 2:11¼.....(C. L. DeRyder)	5	3	1
Directline, br h by Baron Direct—Woodland Echo by Woodline 2:19 .....(Joe McGuire)	3	2	3
Fleeta Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon—Lady Hilda Hills by Wilkes Boy 2:24½...(Lawrence Shuler)	2	4	4
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy 2:17½ .....(Will DeRyder)	6	5	5
Donald, b g by Golden Baron—Kitty by Knight 2:22½ .....(Ivey)	7	6	6
O. U. C., b g by C. the Limit 2:03¼—Rosie Woodburn 2:16 by Easter Wilkes.....(Frank Childs)	1	ds	
Frank Perry, b g by Toddington 2:20—Lilworthy by Axworthy (3) 2:15½.....(Webster)	ds		
Mountain Dee, b h by Charley D. 2:06¼—Mountain Maid by Cresco.....(Walker)	ds		

Time—:30¾, 1:03½, 1:38 , 2:08½
:30¾, 1:04½, 1:39 , 2:10¼
:31½, 1:06¼, 1:39½, 2:10¼

Distribution of purse—A. B. C. $675, Zomblack $450, Directline $350, Fleeta Dillon $275, O. U. C. $250.



START OF THE FIRST HEAT OF THE TWO-YEAR-OLD TROT

Third Day.

Wednesday, June 9.—The weather man geared up his machine a bit today and turned out about the best brand of weather that has fallen to the lot of the meeting to date, the crowd also assuming much better proportions than on yesterday and being rewarded by witnessing some sharp contests and fairly good time.

It was the general expectation that today there would be an opportunity to get a line on Frank Childs' stake trotter, Loe Blossom, who has the distinction of holding the workout record for trotters over the local track, 2:06½, but she failed to materialize. Prior to the time for declaring starters, Frank had sought the advice of one Alonzo McDonald (for whose opinions, for reasons readily perceived by folks who are keeping cases on certain affairs, he professes a most profound respect) and the wily Bostonian, with visions of a "soft spot" for Laramie Lad with the chestnut mare out of the way, advised gentle work in the morning and no start in the race, owing to the facts that Loe has a hard race ahead of her in the big trot Saturday, that the track was hard to take chances with such a high class mare, et cetera and so on. It worked like a charm, for one heat, and then, of course, the beans had to be spilled in a most aggravating manner.

With many of the spectators, it was a case of thumbs down for Virginia Barnette on account of her disappointing performance of Saturday afternoon, but the this time she was on her good behavior and Colonel Updegraff sent the field away the first time down, Laramie Lad going to the front with Princess Louise and Seneca Boy camping with him as named, and Virginia last down the stretch, the half finding them all close together. Durfee swung wide on the turn and steamed up a few pounds, but while Virginia responded nicely, Laramie Lad also stood the drive in good shape and beat the Moko mare by a neck, or better, in time just outside the ten list. In the second heat Virginia went to the front at the eighth, giving way to Laramie Lad past the quarter. At the half the Lad was leading a closely spaced procession, but Virginia came to him in the stretch and won by half a length, with Princess Louise and Seneca Boy right in the immediate vicinity. McDonald's trotter proved his handiness in the third heat by breaking in the first eighth and settling without losing any ground, passing Durfee's filly at the quarter. Jockeying the "purgatory bend" Durfee had the best of the argument and led the way home from well back on the short turns, with McDonald's gelding finishing lapped up but safely beaten. Virginia's behavior was a great improvement over the form she displayed Saturday, and she may yet cut considerable figure in the big stake.

Maymack was inclined to resent strange hands in scoring for the amateur event for free-for-all trotters, but Sweet Marie Bob Smith has a soothing sort of way with him and the pair hung up a new record for the meeting by winning a race in straight heats, all others having brought forth two and three heat winners. After the first three-eighths of the initial mile the bay mare was never headed and won without difficulty, Kid Cupid's best efforts in the first finish failing to set Smith to driving. Jean Arion went a nice steady race for Harold Savage and responded well to his drives, but lacked the steam to make May extend herself.

Chief of the afternoon's events was the 2:11 pace, as the half-dozen sidewheelers who extended it their patronage included the "duellists" of opening day, Hal Boy and The Beaver, whose performance of three heats below 2:06 in the first week in June will in all probability hang as a record for that season of the year for some time to come. Both had plenty of friends in the crowd and both had backing in some moderate wagers, the turning of the tables serving also to stimulate interest in their final meeting on getaway day. Fleming drew the pole in the position lottery, and Frank N. and Imbro proceeded to delay the game by spoiling a few starts, the latter going away in a good position when the word was eventually given and racing to the front with the field not far behind. At the half four of the six—The Beaver, Imbro, Hal Boy and Red Rock—were on pretty even terms in 1:02¼, The Beaver leading around the turn, with Hal Boy coming strong for a win by two lengths. Imbro was again unsteady in the score but the delay was not for long, The Beaver dropping into Hal Boy's trail immediately after leaving the wire and McGuire eventually dropping into The Beaver's wake. In just such fashion they came into the stretch, coming the last quarter in :29¼ with the leaders lapped, though Hal Boy was a safe winner.

Once more Fleming took in behind Childs for the greater portion of the route, the field being all close up at the half. Princess Patch broke on the turn and the leaders drew away from her, though she settled and paced fast in the final spure. The cries of "Hal Boy!" were about evenly divided with those of "The Beaver!" as the leaders came head on for the finish, the Childs horse pulling a new one for him by breaking some yards from the wire and completing the mile on the run, the quarter again being in :29¼ and Red Rock, Imbro and the Princess finishing close up. Hal Boy was penalized by being placed last, but managed to grab the major portion of the purse at that. The summaries follow:

San Francisco, Wednesday, June 9, 1915.
2:16 trot, purse $2000:

Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr 2:07¼ by Zombro 2:11.....(W. G. Durfee)	2	1	1
Laramie Lad, b g by Master Bo—Daughter of Oronteo 2:16½ .....(McDonald)	1	2	2
Princess Louise, b m by Del Coronado 2:09½—Louise by Woolsey .....(Nugent)	3	3	3
Seneca Boy, ch g by King Entertainer 2:10¼—Seneca Maid 2:30 by John Adams....(Fleming)	4	4	4

Time—:31½, 1:05½, 1:39 , 2:10¼
:31¾, 1:05¾, 1:40 , 2:11¼
:31½, 1:07 , 1:41 , 2:12

Distribution of purse—Virginia Barnette $875, Laramie Lad $625, Princess Louise $300, Seneca Boy $200.

Free-for-all trot, amateur, purse $1000:

Maymack, b m by Arthur Wilkes 2:28½—Lady Whips by Whips 2:27½.....(Bob Smith)	1	1	1
Jean Arion, b m by Arion 2:07¾—Sarah Shelton 2:28¼ by Bedford 2:30.....(Harold Savage)	3	2	2
Kid Cupid, ch g by Cupid 2:18—Zarina 2:13¾ by Dexter Prince .....(Charles Silva)	2	3	3
Monica McKinney, ch m by Ed McKinney—Judy McKinney by McKinney 2:11¼.(Dan'l Hoffman)	ds		

Time—:32¾, 1:07 , 1:40½, 2:12
:32¼, 1:06½, 1:40½, 2:11½
:32½, 1:07¼, 1:41½, 2:13¼

Distribution of purse—Maymack $500, Jean Arion $225, Kid Cupid $175, association $100.

2:11 pace, purse $2000:

Hal Boy, b g by Hal B. 2:04½—Altalena by Altamont 2:26¾ .....(Marvin Childs)	1	1	5
The Beaver, br h by Searchlight 2:03¼—Ripple 2:28½ by Glenbrook .....(Fleming)	2	2	1
Red Rock, ch g by Louis Wilkes 2:15½—Red Bird by E. S. 2:11¼.....(Joe McGuire)	3	3	2
Imbro, bl h by Zombro 2:11—Athlene 2:19¼ by Coeur d'Alene 2:19½.....(Frank Childs)	4	4	3
Princess Patch, b m by Dan Patch 1:55¼—International Queen 2:13½ by Tom Exum 2:14½ ..... (Macey)	5	5	4
Frank N., b g by William Harold 2:13¼—Daphne McKinney by McKinney 2:11¼.....(Munson)	ds		

Time—:30 , 1:02¼, 1:35 , 2:06¼
:31¼, 1:04½, 1:37½, 2:06¾
:31¾, 1:05 , 1:38¼, 2:07½

Distribution of purse—Hal Boy $750, The Beaver $625, Red Rock $350, Imbro $225, Princess Patch $50.

Thursday, June 10.

While the air currents that have ruled throughout the week at the exposition track may be of the kind that arouse enthusiasm and awaken the muse in poetically inclined souls, or bring joy to the heart of the deep-sea sailor or the bay yachtsman, the horseman is inclined to look upon them as hurricanes, and instead of feeling rising within his bosom an unrestrainable impulse to slop over in impassioned verse or to lay her a little closer to the wind and bury her gun'le in a smother of white foam, the "dominant note" is an inclination to seek a cyclone cellar where one may indulge in a little profanity in comfort and seclusion, without fear of interruption or of shocking the young ladies who are in the next aisle in the barn, looking at Bill Simmons' Blue Buck filly, feeding the filly sugar and Bill taffy while mentally trying to figure up whether Bill is strong enough financially to stand a tap for dinner at the Black Cat or the Portola-Louvre or some other down town joy palace that evening. No one has been tipped over backwards as yet in the back stretch, but on a day like today the timers could stop their watches at the three-eighths, snap back and catch 'em again from the five-sixteenths in about correct time.

Four three-year-olds showed up for the pacing stake that closed September 1, 1913, and while all of them had worked down close to 2:15 and should have raced in that notch or faster, the best they could do was to go to the half in 1:11, and the full route barely better than the two-year-old trotters made it on Tuesday. Sheldon B. broke early in the first heat, Oro Lou also getting in like trouble at the three-eighths, but both settled and made up their ground fairly well against the wind. Agnes Patch took the lead from the quarter but was challenged for that position at the half by Rodney Patchen, who showed the way around the lower turn. Coming into the stretch the boys were all driving and for a time it looked like anybody's race, Agnes Patch eventually drawing away for a win from Oro Lou, lapped up, with Rodney Patchen and Sheldon B. breaking in the stretch. In the second heat it was Agnes all the way, with Oro Lou pacing a steady race and the other lads losing ground from leaving the pace, though both showed a good turn of speed when they were tending to business. Agnes Patch, the winner, is the first three-year-old performer of the season for Dan Patch 1:55¼, the old hero who stands at the head of the 1:55 establishment, but is not a "new one" for her sire's list of representatives, as she had a two-year-old mark of 2:24 made late last year. Mr. Savage has been a good supporter of the exposition meeting and the stable's victory in the colt stake was welcomed by the crowd, even though the other entrants were all native sons.

The club trot brought out a field of ten, and though they bothered Colonel Updegraff a bit in scoring for the first heat, they were in good order when he sent them away, the start of the second and third heats being exceptionally fine. Matawan had on his performing clothes and pulled a few stunts at first, breaking also shortly after leaving the wire the first time down. Ateka opened up a lead with Birdeye and Columbia T. second and third at the quarter, the roan fellow breaking at the three-eighths. They finished in two sections of five horses each, Howard's Comet making a strong bid for first position and Future Tramp trying gamely for a horse that has been laid up with a curb. Agnes Carter, in Charley Becker's hands, lived up to some of the good things that have been said for her in the past and the wise bunch credited her with being dangerous for the next heat.

The start was excellent, and after Ateka broke at the eighth Matawan went to the front, with Agnes Carter second down through hell's bend. Silva moved up with Columbia T. toward the half and Agnes copped the pole about the five-eighths and was never headed, though the Sacramento mare stood a good drive and tried hard to land. By this time the enclosure was not large enough to hold one Adolph Ottinger, who had stayed by his bay mare in the face of a lot of knocking and some strenuous personal experiences with her, and when she won the third heat he was right there with the big smile. Beckers handled her well and her race was the best one of the day.

Bon Cres, distanced in the first heat on opening day, redeemed himself this afternoon by winning a main, albeit, a tame one. Dione II spoiled her chance by extreme nervousness and repeated breaks, while Robert Bingen, injured early in May while doing stud duty, was in no shape for a race, even a slow one like this. Baron Todd's sickness after arrival here put him short of work, and after the first heat, in which he lost an elbow boot, the black Bon Voyage horse had the legs of the party, passing the Todd fellow at the seven-eighths in each instance, the final heat being the fastest of the three by some seconds. The day's results:

San Francisco, Thursday, June 10, 1915.

Three-year-old pace, purse $3000, two in three:

Agnes Patch, b f by Dan Patch 1:55¼—Louise Hersey by Arion 2:07¾ (Macey)	1	1
Oro Lou, ch c by Kinney Lou 2:07¾—Zeta W. by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ (Blackwell)	2	2
Rodney Patchen, b g by Joe Patchen II 2:03¼—Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon (Webster)	3	3
Sheldon B., b g by Barney Barnato 2:19½—Ramona by Prince Robert (Quinn)	4	4

Time—:34¼, 1:11¼, 1:48¼, 2:21¼
:34½, 1:11 , 1:47¼, 2:20½

Distribution of purse—Agnes Patch $1500, Oro Lou $750, Rodney Patchen $450, Sheldon B. $300.

2:20 trot, driving club, purse $1000:

Agnes Carter, b m by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½—Excella by Monbells 2:23¾ (Chas. Beckers)	3	1 1
Columbia T., b m by Bon Guy (3) 2:11¾—May T. 2:15 by Monterey 2:09¼ (Chas. Silva)	1	3 2
Graham Bellini, b h by Bellini 2:13¼—Gracie Onward 2:12 by Onward 2:25¼ (G. P. Machado)	7	6 3
Matawan, br g by Athadon 2:27—Cora Wickersham by Junio 2:22 (H. C. Ahlers)	9	2 ds
Future Tramp, b g by Trampfast (2) 2:12¼— Future Princess Ideal by Chimes (T. D. Sexton)	5	4 ds
Muggins, ch g by Jack Hawkins Jr. (H. Cohen)	8	5 ds
Horseshoe Boy, br g by Del Cronado 2:09½— Daughter of Wilkie Knox 2:10¼ (A. S. Hanks)	6	7 ds
Howard's Comet, b g by Teddy Ray—Campain Mare by Campain (P. J. Howard)	2	ds
Birdeye, ro g by Birdman—Birdie by Jay Bird (A. Combatalade)	4	ds
Ateka, b m by Athasham 2:09¼—Bessie by Botsford (H. A. Boyle)	10	ds

Time—:33½, 1:09 , 1:44½, 2:17½
:33¾, 1:07½, 1:42¾, 2:15¾
:31¾, 1:07¾, 1:43¼, 2:16½

Distribution of purse—Agnes Carter $412.50, Columbia T. $287.50, Graham Bellini $75, Matawan $62.50, Howard's Comet $62.50, Future Tramp $25, Birdeye $25, Association $50.

2:25 trot, purse $2000:

Bon Cres, bl h by Bon Voyage 2:08—Kate Kopje by Cresceus 2:02¼ (Chadbourne)	2	1	1
Baron Todd, br h by Todd—Baroness Rosalind by Baron Wilkes 2:18 (McDonald)	1	2	2
Robert Bingen, b h by Bingen 2:06¼—Episode 2:18 by Ambassador 2:21¼ (Dowling)	3	3	ds
Dione II by Cupid 2:18—Dione 2:07¼ by Eros (Walker)	ds		

Time—:35¼, 1:11¾, 1:48 , 2:21
:36¼, 1:13½, 1:50 , 2:23½
:33¾, 1:08¼, 2:43½, 2:16¾

Distribution of purse—Bon Cres $875, Baron Todd $625, Robert Bingen $150, Association $350.

William Higginbottom of this city has made application for the starting job throughout the northwest, and the secretaries of the various meetings will have to send a long way to find a man better qualified to render satisfaction to all parties concerned.

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C. A. Harrison has resigned from the management of the New Richmond Hotel in Seattle, which he made pay dividends, and is now associated with the Sullivan & Considine interests, making his headquarters at their Seattle office.

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Mr. Richard Morrison, well known as Bonesetter Dick, died at his home in London, Ont., May 27, He had been identified with runners and trotters for over forty years. He had a large circle of friends and was liked by everybody who knew him.

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Philip Kell, who for so many years conducted the Spirit of the West, is now an "experimental Californian," as distinguished from professional Californians and native sons, and has been a constant attendant at the races, where he is renewing many old and forming many new acquaintances.

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Doubtless Agnes Patch's victory Thursday stimulated your interest in that family a bit, and if you would like a fine picture of the "old hoss," who has yet to be dethroned as the pacing king, the same will be forthcoming if you will only make your wants known to the Savage headquarters in Minneapolis.

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M. L. Woy of Fresno, who has been one of the regulars at the present meeting, has had the misfortune to lose by death a three-month-old filly foal by Stanford McKinney out of Loma B., the dam of Albaloma 2:08¼, etc. It was, of course, heavily staked and the loss is a jolt to Mr. Woy's plans for the future.

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Ed Lavin of Stockton has been taking in the trots this week, keeping a weather eye out for the two-year-olds in particular. The kids of that age in evidence Tuesday were good ones, but Ed feels that "he should worry—not" with Lilly of the West in his stable, as the lass has trotted the Stockton track for Farmer Bunch in 2:22, with quarters in :32½.

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There are now two McGuires in evidence at the exposition track, Joe of Denver and Jim of Riverside, the latter having recently arrived with the Geo. W. McKinney pacer San Jacinto 2:05½, who will be a starter in the big stake today. Jim has wintered the fellow well and he has a lot of lick, enough to make him dangerous if he gets away in any sort of shape in the first heat.

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Mr. John Sheppard of Boston, dean of the old school of horsemen and one of the most skillful of amateur drivers, is present daily at the trots, occupying a seat in a box after lunch and a position either among the railbirds or up behind some trotter prior to that hour. He is well past the four score mark, but has had rides that give him personal knowledge as to the fastness of that final quarter.

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Sometime ago we heralded the bay mare Nellie Mac, in the stable of Charley Clark at Fresno, as a coming 2:10 trotter for Expressive Mac 2:25½, and Harry Nelson advises us that on Saturday, June 5th, she worked an evenly rated mile in 2:09¾. This is the first mile trotted below 2:10 by a member of that particular branch of the family of Expressive (3) 2:12½, and is also the fastest mile done this year on the Fresno track.

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Messrs. Magnus Flaws of Chicago and O. P. Updegraff of Topeka, Kansas, hit town "at once and simultaneously" the latter part of last week and are quartered at the Washington. The pedigree shark is living up to specifications as a presiding judge and the Colonel has had the very best kind of success getting his fields away in good shape, having the crowd with him right along so far. Even the amateurs Thursday got away well, with a few notorious bad actors present.

Frank Malcolm is allowing "the boys" to look after Calwa operations at Fresno while he attends the trots and works out various members of the DeRyder stable.

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When the last delegation left Pleasanton, Will Duncan loaded out with them and came to the exposition with his Clarence Wilkes pacer William G., entered in one of the late closers that failed to fill. The big fellow has come like a real horse recently, working the Pleasanton track in 2:09, with the last half in 1:02½ and the final quarter in :30½. Early this week he worked the local course in 2:15 with a half in 1:04, and before leaving Duncan probably will let him step along a little.

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L. C. Kinney, proprietor of the Onward Standard Stock Farm at Bushnell, Nebraska, is among the late arrivals at the fair, bringing out the one time three-year-old champion Impetuous Palmer (3) 2:05¼, the fastest of the many good ones bred by Mr. Kinney. His prep has been a bit short, but he has a turn of speed of the genuine championship kind and Mr. Kinney feels he has a chance for a piece of money at that, and will have him ready for the race of his life in the fall.

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Owing to the fact that many of our old patrons did not receive a copy of the Stake Book of the North Pacific Fair Circuit until too late to make their entries, the Vancouver Exhibition Association has decided to extend the time of the early closing events until August 1, the date of the late closing events, to enable those who were unable to make their entries through not receiving the Stake Book to do so. These events, the 2:15 Pace and 2:25 Trot, will be "three in five" instead of "every heat a race" as previously announced.

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Joe Ryan of Sonoma who came down for the fun out at the beach track "struck a snag" Thursday when a protest was lodged against his trotting mare Kate Dillon on the grounds that an unreported race at her home town last season gave her a bar of 2:14. The judges on Joe's own evidence sustained the protest, though Joe was not aware of the rule that gave his mare a bar and made his entry in good faith. Katie is an uncertain behaver but a fast mare when on her feet and would no doubt have been a good contender in the 2:20 trot.

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Entries to the program for the Pleasanton Butchers' Day Celebration on July 5 do not close until Tuesday, July 15, with Chairman O. G. Newhall, 2863 Broadway, Oakland, or Secretary-Treasurer C. A. Bright, 603 Castro street, Oakland, records made since June first not operating as a bar to eligibility to the open classes which are for 2:20 pacers, $500, 2:20 trotters, $500, and 2:12 trot, $650. The program is well worth the support of local horsemen and we recommend it to your consideration, a full announcement appearing on a business page.

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Tom Pollock of Flagstaff, Arizona, capitalist, cattle king, horseman and one of the mainstays of the Arizona State Fair, is in town to remain until the races are all over. Ted Bunch has been educating a number of prospects for him during the winter but leaves soon to campaign Waynetta 2:06¾ for J. A. Burnett of Denver, who, by the way, is officiating as an associate judge at the present race meeting here. Waynetta was a show winner between seasons and is in excellent shape for another trip down the line in the central west.

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One of the most remarkable instances of sureness in a sire is that of Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, as of the twenty mares bred to him in 1914, every one got in foal. This grand sire is now in excellent form at Spruce Lawn Farm, Springfield, Ohio, as are all the rest of the farm horses at Mr. Wilson's farm. This stallion possesses about as many "onlys" as any progenitor ever before the public. He is the only stallion, living or dead, to sire a 2:05 pacer and a 2:05 trotter; only stallion living to sire three 2:05 performers and have both sons and daughters to produce 2:05 performers; only stallion living whose daughters have produced nine or more 2:10 performers. Besides this he is the sire of the fastest record trotter and the fastest record pacer ever sired by an Ohio stallion. He is now as sound and vigorous as ever and ready to complete a good season.—Western Horseman.

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Mr. M. E. Pye, presiding judge of the West Australian Trotting Association, Perth, West Australia, arrived in the city Tuesday evening and has been one of the most observing of the daily visitors at the exposition races, deriving much interest from mental comparisons of the system of racing harness horses as they exist here and in his section of the world. He has been in America since early in April, when he paid a visit to Pleasanton and had the pleasure of seeing a horse cover a mile in 2:10 for the first time. Wednesday's pace, with its three heats from 2:06¼ to 2:07½, gave him another new sensation, and before the meeting closes he will be enabled to see that mark eclipsed by pacers, and very probably closely approached by trotters. During his stay, Mr. Pye has visited the principal cities of the east and central west and returns home with a most excellent idea of the United States, gained from personal contact.

SPLIT HEATS RULE AT SUNDAY'S MATINEE.

Owing to the fact that many of the horses owned by members of the San Francisco-California Driving Club have engagements in various events on the program of the regular exposition meeting throughout the week, a number of the old favorites failed to be in evidence at Sunday's matinee, but split heats and closely contested finishes were the order of the day and the crowd was kept well entertained.

Hugh Boyle put one over in the first event with Edith Light, winning all the way in the second and third heat after having "rested up" in the first one. Edith is a pretty little thing and her win suited the crowd. Frank Goularte and Aerolite were moved up to the 2:18 class pace following their performance last Sunday but made it two straight heats over a field of seven, Marie Fitzsimmons and King Pointer furnishing the major portion of the competition in the stretch.

Tim Sexton piloted Bradmont to another victory in the 2:12 pace after a hot battle with Adolph Ottinger and Dick W., the latter pair winning the first heat decisively and being beaten in the subsequent rounds by inches only. "Ot" evidently had on his "eyelash finish" driving suit, as two of Dick W.'s heats and the first of Copper the Ore's were "as close as close." Muggins made a great finish in the first heat of the free-for-all trot, the stand popularly crediting him with a win until the judge's announcement set them right. Muggins evidently used up all his good behavior tickets in the first heat, as he refused to trot the next time out and the heat went to I. J. Cornett and Salinas Star, with Ottinger and the black mare second. St. Patrick declared himself in by annexing the third heat, but Copper the Ore headed the summary.

Martin Ford and Minnequa formed a new combination, for this season, at least, in the slow trot, and had no real difficulties in winning, after dropping the first heat to Valeen M., who trotted a nice race throughout. Ella Wilkes "threatened" in the last heat, but spoiled her chance by a break in the fifth eighth. Vera Hal, having no class open for her, was given her customary weekly workout, topping the same with a mile in 2:07 that pleased her many admirers in the stand. The summary:

First Race—2:25 pace:

Edith Light ..... (H. A. Boyle)	4	1	1
Marin ..... (P. F. Kane)	1	2	2
Golden Buck ..... (W. G. Walkup)	2	3	3
J. V. ..... (Joe Vermet)	3	4	4

Time—2:20¾, 2:17½, 2:18.

Second Race—2:18 pace:

Aerolite Jr. ..... (F. Goularte)	1	1	
King Pointer ..... (H. Campodonico)	5	2	
Marie Fitzsimmons ..... (J. W. Swank)	2	6	
Emma M. ..... (Wm. Malough)	3	4	
Little Dick ..... (Gus Erebout)	4	3	
William Tell ..... (R. Roberts)	6	5	
Jerry D. ..... (L. A. Bangs)	ds		

Time—2:16, 2:20.

Third Race—2:12 pace:

Bradmont ..... (G. J. Giannini)	2	1	1
Dick W. ..... (A. Ottinger)	1	2	2
Zorankin ..... (H. Boyle)	3	3	5
Delilah ..... (J. C. Welsh)	4	5	3
Hamburg Belle ..... (A. Ginocchio)	5	4	4

Time—2:12, 2:13, 2:13½.

Fourth Race—Free-for-all trot:

Copper The Ore ..... (A. Ottinger)	1	2	3
Salinas Star ..... (I. J. Cornett)	4	1	2
Ateka ..... (H. A. Boyle)	5	4	4
Eloise Dell ..... (C. F. Silva)	3	5	dr
Muggins ..... (H. Cohen)	2	ds	

Time—2:15¾, 2:17¼, 2:19½.

Fifth Race—2:30 trot:

Minnequa ..... (M. Ford)	2	1	1
Valeen M. ..... (Ernest M. Doyle)	1	2	2
St. Thomas ..... (R. Roberts)	3	3	3
Ella Wilkes ..... (C. Borromeo)	5	4	4
Darby Mac ..... (J. McTigue)	4	5	dr

DEATH OF S. H. KNOX.

As owner of the Ideal Stock Farm at East Aurora, N. Y., S. H. Knox, whose death occurred May 16, was closely attached to the trotting industry. His connection with the trotters dates from the dispersal of the famous Village Farm of C. J. Hamlin & Son, in 1905, as a number of the animals sent to the New York sale from the formerly well known East Aurora institution were brought back to form the new one of Mr. Knox. Products of the Village Farm developed while owned by Mr. Knox were the chief claimants to the fame that came to Ideal Farm colors, Ess H. Kay p. 2:00¾ and The Abbe p. 2:04, which prior to his conversion to the pace had taken a trotting record of 2:10½ at the trot, being the stars of the first flight which were owned by him. The stable which the farm had out last year was successful, under the skillful handling of Ben White, who has been in charge of training operations there for years. Of these the pacing mare, Queen Abbess 2:10¼, was the fastest record performer, while Prince Ingomar 2:12¼, and Lettie Lee 2:13¼, both trotters, were good winners through the Central states, where their campaign was set.

The business interests which Mr. Knox engaged in were perhaps as familiar to the common people of the entire country as any enterprise of the day. The corporation of the F. W. Woolworth Company, of which he was vice-president, controlled an extensive chain of stores that catered to buyers of the innumerable low priced articles which were carried in stock. His estate is estimated at $30,000,000.

It is important enough to be mentioned as a coincidence that the death of Mr. Knox followed so closely the tragic end of his friend and neighbor at East Aurora, Elbert Hubbard, the famous writer, philosopher and lecturer of Roycroft fame, who went down to a watery grave when the Lusitania met her doom.—Western Horseman.

ZULU BELLE 2:06¼ GOES EAST.

Late last week was consummated the purchase of Zulu Belle from Adolph Ottinger of this city by Andrew Albright, Jr., of Newark, N. J., Mr. Albright being at present engaged in the assembling of a small band of fast record mares to mate with young stallions of royal breeding now owned by him.

The attention of Mr. Albright, who spends some time each year in California, was first drawn to Zulu Belle through the showing made as a producer of speed by her full sister, My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾, who at eleven years of age is the dam of Zorene 2:10¼, Carlos (2) 2:29¼, Esperanza (3) 2:09 and Carl (2) 2:19¾, most of these figures being due for reduction this season, as with one exception the four performers mentioned have all worked faster than their records and are at present in active training.

Zulu Belle is now in her ninth year, and since 1912 has been among the best known of coast campaigners, racing both at the trot and at the pace, setting a rather remarkable record in this respect. It is not unusual for trotters to be put to pacing, but for a pacer to be raced as a trotter, especially in the same season, is less common. On November 3, 1913, she won two heats at Phoenix in 2:06¼, and ten days later at Los Angeles won a straight heat race, trotting, in 2:12½, 2:13½ and 2:13½; on November 15, over the same track, she made Maymack and Albaloma trot three heats better than 2:10 to beat her, which stamped her as belonging to a class of her own as a double gaited mare.

Zulu Belle was bred at Nestor, Cal., by F. W. Wadham, and is a daughter of Petigru 2:10½ and Johanna Treat 2:24¾ (dam also of Del Coronado 2:09½, etc.) by Thomas Rysdyk, grandam Kate Treat by Venture 320, sire of the dam of Directum 2:05¼. After her purchase she was shipped to Los Angeles to be bred to Carlokin 2:07½, Wm. G. Durfee's good son of McKinney to whose cover My Irene S. has produced so successfully, and will be returned to this city in time to go east with the Grand Circuit stables at the close of the present race meeting. The 2:07 pace last Saturday was in all probability her last appearance in racing company, as Mr. Albright purchased her for breeding purposes only.

PHOENIX TO FOLLOW SAN FRANCISCO.

It is with a great deal of pleasure that we are able to announce that by a recent action of the Arizona State Fair Commission, Phoenix will not only make a bid for the best horses of the year by putting on a complete program of generous size purses for both trotters and pacers, but the dates for the big show have been changed to November 15 to 20 inclusive, in order to avoid conflict with the fall meeting at the P.-P. I. E., thus affording horsemen further earning facilities for their campaigners and giving Arizona folks opportunity to witness what should prove to be the greatest racing ever held in their metropolis, where great horses are the order of the day throughout their annual celebration.

Knowing the "Phoenix Pholks" as we do, we have had a feeling in our bones all along that matters would be rearranged so that they would take advantage of the opportunity to put on a big meeting, and are not surprised by the course decided upon. Not content with doing things halfway, Secretary Shaughnessy makes further announcement that the commission's present plan is to run a special train for the exposition horsemen who wish to race at Phoenix, picking up all horses entered from this point immediately after the close of the races here and landing them in Phoenix gratis. This will be a generous lift for easterners homeward bound, and will allow local horsemen to participate in the festivities at Phoenix at the expense of a one way ship.

Attendants at the present exposition meeting with whom the plan has been talked over during the week are warm in praising it and promise to give Secretary Shaughnessy and his associates their heartiest support, so that it is a safe prophecy that the Arizona State Fair of 1915 will set a new mark in every way, and in the horse racing in particular. No man has ever raced at Phoenix who did not become a booster for the people there, and the course taken will meet with the warmest approval from all quarters. The program is in course of preparation and will be announced in these columns at no far distant date.

CANADIAN CIRCUIT OPENS AT EDMONTON.

The racing season of 1915 of the Western Canada Fair and Racing Circuit opened auspiciously on May 22 at Edmonton, the second day drawing one of the greatest crowds that ever turned out at that point, though rain caused the program for the third day to be declared off.

Molly, the Hanford mare that showed nicely last fall at the King's County Fair, made a nice start for the season by winning her first race on opening day, getting a record of 2:19¼, and was evidently "in good" in her next start until misfortune overtook her and her trainer, Moody Leggett of Hanford. Passing the grandstand and squaring away for the second half of the second heat of the 2:25 pace or 2:20 trot, the lass was leading handily, with Lady Halford and Grey Ghost close up. In an effort to pass her, Vance took out with Lady Halford, but failed to judge his attempt properly and crashed into Leggett's sulky, stripping off one wheel and throwing Lady Halford in a heap, Grey Ghost driving headlong into the wreckage. In an effort to throw himself in the clear, Leggett fell heavily and suffered a broken leg, though Molly went on with the dragging sulky, kept her feet and gave a good battle to Lon McDonald. Molly acted throughout like a high class race mare, and Leggett's many friends will learn with regret of the accident that will keep him out of the sulky for some weeks.

Soumise, in Leggett's stable, was third in her event and second in its fastest heat, 2:14¼, while Dean Swift, sampaigned successfully last season by Loren Daniels, could do no better than rank second to Hal Chief for Owner Harvey Skaggs. The summary:

Edmonton, Alta.—Half-mile track, American rules, every-heat-a-race.

May 22 (track good).—2:18 pace, 2:13 trot, $250:

Hammamato, br h by Searchlight ..... (Hudson)	1	1	1
Sil Wilford, b h by Leland Onward ..... (McIntosh)	4	2	2
Prince Joe, b g by Matthew Hume ..... (Gormley)	2	4	1
The Monk, b g by Artist ..... (McIntosh)	3	3	2

Time—2:21¼, 2:19¼, 2:21½.

2:30 pace, 2:30 trot, $250:

Molly, b m by Knox ..... (Leggett)	1	1	3
Garabaldi, b h by Sliney Amett ..... (Cardiff)	2	2	1
Billy Sunday, b h by Hal B. ..... (Bowman)	3	5	2
Alta Mac, b m by Redlac ..... (Carter)	4	3	4

Time—2:19¼, 2:19½, 2:24½. Mildred Direct, 5-4-5.

May 24 (track good).—2:25 pace, 2:20 trot, $250:

Grey Ghost, g h by Hal B. ..... (Crang)	1	*	1
Lon McDonald, b g by Wm. Penn ..... (Dompier)	4	1	3
Molly, b m by Knox ..... (Leggett)	2	2	2

Time—2:19¼, 2:41½, 2:22¼.

*Wrecked by accident.

2:09 pace, 2:04 trot, $250:

Hal Chief, b h by Hal B. ..... (Coulombe)	1	1	1
Dean Swift, br g by Almaden D. ..... (Skagg)	4	2	2
Soumise, b m by Billy Dunlap ..... (Leggett)	2	3	4
Nelly G., blk m by Simored ..... (L. Coulombe)	3	4	3

Time—2:14¼, 2:14½, 2:15½.

May 25.—Rain, declared off.

CEDAR VALLEY CIRCUIT.

West Liberty, Iowa, June 1.—Racing on the old reliable Cedar Valley Circuit began here today, with good crowds in attendance, big fields of horses and well contested events, only one race going in straight heats. California horses were in evidence in two of the three affairs staged on opening day and figured well up in their fields, H. E. Armstrong taking third money with The Empress in the 2:30 trot, and F. E. Ward with Great Northern having like rank in the 2:18 trot, the Wayland W. gelding being a consistent contender throughout the race. The results:

2:30 trot, purse $400:

Grand Chimes, b s by Kentucky Chimes (Edmon)	1	1	1
Delte, bl m by Director General ..... (Milliman)	3	2	2
The Empress, b m by Stillwell ..... (Armstrong)	2	4	5
Byron W., b s by Royal Reaper ..... (Conners)	4	3	3
Ben Nutwood, s s by Dick Nutwood ..... (Gowell)	6	5	4
Grey Rex, g g by Galileo Rex ..... (Thompson)	5	6	6
Major Direct, s s by Duke Direct ..... (Moores)	7	8	7
Fred Rhodes, b g by Cecil Rhodes ..... (Kelly)	9	7	dr
Sylvia Maurine, bl m by Egotist ..... (Russell)	8	9	dr

Time—2:21¾, 2:19¾, 2:21½.

2:18 trot, purse $400:

Jim O'Shea, bl g by June McKeever ..... (Garen)	1	1	4
Sure Mike, b s by Peter W. ..... (Kelly)	5	3	1
Great Northern, br g by Wayland ..... (Ward)	2	2	3
Judge Spencer, g g by Wilno ..... (Thomas)	9	8	2
John D., b g by Col. Kip ..... (Edmon)	3	7	9
Lilah G., b m by Golden Onward ..... (Moores)	7	6	5
Miss Frances Rogers, b m by Baron Phallas ..... (Edwards)	8	4	7
Gold Bandine, s g by Dolddust Jr. ..... (Ruble)	4	5	6
Deocy, s g by Little Corporal ..... (Thompson)	6	9	8

Time—2:16¼, 2:16¼, 2:20¼.

2:25 pace, purse $400:

Walter Richmond, b g by New Richmond ..... (T. W. Anderson)	1	1	2
Frezno, b g by E. J. ..... (Ellingsworth)	2	11	1
Lucile Forest, b mby De Forest ..... (Colbert)	10	2	5
Prickley Pear, b g by Hal McKay ..... (Crow)	9	4	3
Rexie, br g by Rex Guard ..... (Emerson)	7	3	8
John B., br s by Bullet Jr. ..... (Anderson)	3	7	11
Eddie Dillon, g s by Walter Dillon ..... (Broussard)	8	5	4
Dr. H., s h by Tony Rivers ..... (Whitton)	13	6	9
Julia K., b m by Galileo Rex ..... (Thompson)	12	9	6
Fairmont Chip, b h by Allerton Jr. ..... (Kampest)	6	10	7
Baron Santos, bl s by Santos ..... (Ruble)	11	12	10
Menneguah Princess, bl m by Prince McKinney ..... (Thomas)	4	13	12
Billie the Kid, b g by Bermuda Boy ..... (Conners)	5	8	dr

Time—2:17¼, 2:18½, 2:19¾.

In the columns of the Buffalo daily papers a few days ago was noted the sale of Kenilworth track, where, until the passage of the Hughes anti-racing legislation, the local Grand Circuit meetings were hold. The model racing plant was purchased by a local real estate operator, who will cut it up into building lots. With this disposition of Kenilworth goes the only opportunity Buffalo will ever have to see a big fair combined with Grand Circuit races established in such close proximity to the business center of the city as was that track. The business men of Buffalo could well have afforded to purchase Kenilworth as an investment, and it could have been made to pay all carrying charges by using it for fair purposes until such time as its increased valuation would have made it seem wise to sell it. Not only this, but such a fair as the one held at Cleveland's suburban racing plant at North Randall would have repaid the investment required from the business interests handsomely, indirectly. A fair conducted on big lines at Kenilworth with the attendant racing features would have drawn, in the course of a week, one hundred thousand or more outsiders to this city. What such a crowd of visitors means to a city is best known by the business men of cities where a big fair is an annual feature. How fierce a fight the business men of Syracuse would put up if a proposal should come up to take the State fair away from that city and locate it at some other point in the state, for they know the great extent to which they profit from the immense crowds which come there during fair week each year. Similar benefits would accrue to the business interests of Buffalo if a big fair and race meeting was an annual event here. Kenilworth is gone however, so far as that is concerned, and an opportunity that should have been taken advantage of is no more.—Horse World.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

WHY DUCKS ARE DECREASING.

A comparison as to the number of different species of ducks this year and last would be of no value, unless the conditions which may have caused either the increase or decrease were given consideration.

"Should I report," states Deputy Fish and Game Commissioner George Neale, "that ducks were scarce this season without telling you of these conditions it would not establish the fact that ducks were becoming exterminated. A variety of conditions make for many changes in habits of waterfowl, especially migratory ducks and geese. I mean to say, climatic, feed, an abundance of water, early or late rainfalls or storms.

"To illustrate my meaning: Should there be no early rainfall in California, and an early cold snap with freezing in the north in October, November, or December, ducks would pass by California and we would see but few of them, but, should the season be open in the north and with early rains here which would make feed plentiful, these ducks would appear more numerous than ever. Again, should there be a heavy rainfall, as in the case of the present season, enough to insure the growth of the duck feed for next season, then it would insure a large crop of California hatched ducks and an increased number of migratory ducks when the freeze closes the extreme northern feeding grounds.

We must be guided in estimating the number of ducks seen by the conditions existing. If I can know the weather conditions in Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia, knowing the existing conditions here in California, I can surely predict to a certainty the extend of the next crop of ducks, when they will arrive, and the particular species that will take advantage of those conditions.

Another instance: There were 20,000 acres of rice in the Butte creek country this year and scarcely any water anywhere except that used to irrigate the rice and the waste water running off. Now, the scarcity of water in that portion of the valley forced all the early local ducks into that body of water and they were, apparently, more plentiful in that particular locality than in many years. But had there been early heavy rains these ducks would have scattered over a larger scope of country and then some persons would have said that ducks were becoming scarce.

The choice varieties—mallard, sprig, canvasback—from the Sacramento Valley are nearly all shipped to San Francisco, where there is a good demand and they bring the highest prices; consequently we have most of the common varieties here on sale—widgeon, spoonbill, etc. Occasionally a few other varieties are sold by what we call "pot hunters" who carry their game to town and peddle it. The proportion of home ducks the past season (1914-15) were apparently more plentiful than the migratory ones, for the reason that the migratory ducks, canvasbock, bluebill, redhead, etc., require more or deeper water than we have, for our duck grounds are not permanent lakes but mostly shallow overflowed grounds. If we had had an early rainfall in California, canvasback, redhead, blackjack, and bluebill would have been much more in evidence. However, we did not get the rain until too late. Consequently the big flight went south down the coast and we did not see them.

As to what species have decreased in the last ten years, and what are the causes, can be answered only after analyzing all the conditions mentioned. Should the island districts in the Sacramento-San Joaquin delta, comprising all the overflowed and unreclaimed lands from Colusa to the mouth of the Sacramento river, return to the conditions existing before reclamation and remain so for a few years, it would change the whole aspect of duck conditions in California, as it did during the floods of March, 1907, when all the islands in this district were flooded and apparently all the ducks in the world were in this area. In other words, it appears that ducks have decreased for the reason stated—lack of good feeding grounds."

WHY PROTECT THE SEA GULL?

Fishermen continually censure the sea gull for destroying many fish and food which would otherwise be eaten by fish. The commuter, also, as he watches the never ceasing line of gulls follow the ferries back and forth, wonders of what use these soaring birds can be. Their value as scavengers is certainly evident to everyone, but these birds of the sea have also a value to the agriculturist. We recently received a report from a well known ornithologist, to the effect that near Elmhurst, Alameda county, hundreds of gulls were feeding in a recently ploughed field and following the farmer as he ploughed. The particular species so benefiting the agriculturist is usually either the California gull or the ring-billed gull. The former was noticeably abundant on San Francisco bay during the month of January, 1915, when the above observation was made.

BREEDING DEER FOR THEIR HORNS.

The following extract from a letter by Frank N. Meyer, Agricultural Explorer, Office of Foreign Seed and Plant Introduction, U. S. Department of Agriculture, to his chief, dated Omsk, Siberia, July 17, 1911, which appeared in the Journal of Heredity for February, 1915, describes a remarkable industry now thriving in Siberia:

"In Birel we stopped with a farmer who had become a wealthy man through the sale of stag antlers, and saw how the women folks were boiling several magnificent pairs. They were all coated yet with the down, which is an absolute necessity to sell them, as the Chinese take only those which are young. This stag-keeping business has its headquarters in and around Birel, and by pure accident we had stumbled upon one of the most interesting industries in this world.

It seems that about forty years ago somebody in Birel made an experiment of keeping some stags in captivity and by sawing the antlers off and bandaging the wounds, showed that a stag can be deantlered and survive the process and be operated upon every year. Up to that time the animals had been hunted until they were well night extinct, and the collecting of antlers was a very unsteady sort of business—one never knew whether one would get much or not. Well, the animals multiplied and high-fenced enclosures were established all over the mountains, for these stags need much ground to pasture upon, otherwise they don't remain healthy. And today there are several thousand stags in and around Birel, and the income derived from the sale of antlers has made some people very wealthy, for every male animal produces about 70 roubles (a rouble is worth about 51 cents U. S. currency) worth of antlers every year, and some men have as many as many as 400 males. The average price paid for the antlers is between eight and twelve roubles per pound, according to the market.

The antlers are sawed off with a fine saw and weigh, fresh, twice as much as later on. They have to be boiled in salted water and very great care has to be taken that the felt-like covering doesn't come off; therefore, they are boiled several times, and each time allowed to dry out again. When sufficiently cooked, they are hung in the wind and allowed to dry thoroughly, and in that state they are bought up by dealers and said to be exported to China via Mongolia. The Chinese, as you may know, believe thoroughly in the rejuvenating and stimulating power of young deer horns, and the stuff, scraped and powdered, forms a valuable ingredient in certain of their medicines. I was also told that a firm in St. Petersburg has taken up this matter and is manufacturing a special medicine from them, under the name of 'Spermine.'"

STRIPED BASS LAW CHANGES.

Certain changes in the striped bass law that affect rod and line fishermen will be accepted with satisfaction by the salt water fishermen. The bill provides that hook and line fishermen may retain a limit of five undersized bass caught in one day. There is no limit on fish over three pounds—as many as can be landed. There will be a closed season for the net men, from September 25 to November 14. The daily limit catch for the rodster during that period will be five bass only, irrespective of size. Bass under three pounds in weight can not be bought or sold—as the law now stands. The shipment of striped bass out of the State provision has not been changed.

DUCKS EAT OYSTERS IN WASHINGTON.

The United States Biological Survey has just completed an investigation into the depredations of ducks in the oyster beds of Washington and Oregon. Mr. W. L. McAtee, of the economic division of the survey, was in charge of this work. He reports that greater scaup ducks (bluebills) and white-winged scoters were actually causing damage by eating oysters on Oyster bay, Washington. In other places damage was reported as negligible. The amount of damage, however, so the investigation showed, is to be reckoned as a few thousand dollars annually, rather than hundreds of thousands of dollars as reported by the oyster men.

Stomach examination showed that scaups took oysters an inch and a quarter in diameter and scoters some slightly over two inches. The only immediate remedy being used is to hire a man to shoot the ducks and frighten them away from the oyster beds.

This investigation, like many another one, has shown that the men concerned always exaggerate depredations by birds. Depredations such as these are more likely to decrease rather than increase. Geese have now become so scarce in the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys that practically no complaint is heard from their depredations in grain fields.

SEA OTTERS NEAR POINT SUR.

A letter from John W. Astrom, keeper of the Point Sur Light Station, dated February 2, 1915, gives the following information regarding the number of southern sea otters (Latux lutris nercis) found in that locality: "During my service at this station for the past six years I have seen a good many sea otters. Especially during February and March of each year there seems to be more than at any other time of the year. At the present time, if walking on the beach between Light Station and Bug Sur river one can nearly always see two or three sea otters playing on the kelp some distance off shore. A year ago in February, after a heavy blow, I counted fourteen sea otters on one patch of kelp. It appears to me that sea otters are increasing at least around Point Sur the last two years."

Mr. A. Novella of New Monterey writes as follows: "While on a trip down the coast about three months ago, I saw thirty-two sea otters on the way down and twenty-six on the way back. I think there are more sea otters on this coast now than for a number of years."

Here we have more evidence as to the value of total protection as a means of bringing back a species which has been greatly reduced in numbers. Reduced nearly to extermination about three years ago, the sea otter is now beginning to show a slight increase. The conservation of no other animal in the State could bring so large an increased income to our treasury, for the sea otter is the most valuable fur-bearing mammal in the world. Prime skins sold two years ago for over fifteen hundred dollars apiece. Since 1913 the killing of sea otter has been a high misdemeanor, punishable by a fine not exceeding $1000. The enforcement of this law appears to be greatly benefiting the species.

PACIFIC COAST GUIDE BOOK.

The Pacific Coast Committee of the American Association for the Advancement of Science is preparing a guide book for the use of visiting members to the San Francisco meeting, August 2 to 7, 1915. The book will be about the size of a Baedecker and will be published by Paul Elder & Company. The exact title will be "A Scientific Traveler's Guide Book to the Pacific Coast," and it will bear the sub-title "Nature and Science on the Pacific Coast." This book will contain chapters upon the distinctive features of the region, including geology, palæontology, geography, distribution of land animals, fisheries, marine biology, flora and forests, marine botany, ethnology and archæology, agriculture, influence of early Spanish settlers, landmarks of history and literature, and the evident effects of an out-of-door life upon the development of the fine arts. These chapters will be critical descriptions written by men who are authorities in the several fields. General maps of the region and maps of the vicinities of the larger cities, directions for reaching the principal points of scenic and scientific interest on the Pacific Coast, and directories of educational and research institutions will also be included. This book can be procured from the general office of the American Association or from leading book stores on the Pacific Coast. The price will be $1.50.

PHEASANT FARMING.

There has recently been published under the direction of Wm. L. Finley, Oregon Fish and Game Commission, a beautifully illustrated bulletin on "Pheasant Farming," written by 'Gene M. Simpson, Superintendent of the State Game Farm at Corvallis, Oregon. In the introduction Mr. Finley states that the bulletin, which is a revision of a former one, is designed to furnish reliable information as to how pheasants may be successfully propagated. He also pays a tribute to Mr. Simpson, who has been particularly successful in rearing pheasants on the State game farm.

The first chapter discusses the propagation of game birds and defends the rearing and sale of such birds. Chapter 2 describes the different varieties of pheasants. The chapter devoted to "The Chinese Pheasant in Oregon" furnishes information as to the history of the introduction of this bird into Oregon and the success which has been obtained in establishing it. The succeeding chapters discuss the equipment for a pheasant farm, the ideal mother for pheasants, the food of young pheasants, enemies of the game breeder, and advice to the beginner.

This bulletin sums up the very information which the man who is starting a pheasantry desires. As it is the result of long experience, it can be successfully used as a handbook by the pheasant breeder. It is to be hoped that there will soon be enough demand in California for such a publication. As yet the breeding of pheasants in captivity in this State is in its infancy.

MARIN DEER SEASON.

The open season for deer in Marin county this year will be from Auguust 1 to September 15. An ordinance limiting the season to six weeks was passed by the Supervisors this week at the request of the Marin Game Protective Association. Deer are reported rather scarce this season, due to the late storms, which are said to have killed many fawns.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

TENTH PACIFIC COAST HANDICAP.

Programs for the Interstate Association's tenth Pacific Coast Handicap are out and can be secured by mailing request to Manager Elmer E. Shaner, 219 Coltart Avenue, Pittsburg, Pa.; A. J. Mallison, secretary Pastime Gun Club, 730 E street, San Diego, or to the Field Editor, Breeder and Sportsman.

The big Coast shoot will come off under the auspices of the Pastime Gun Club, and that means something strong as an indication of a successful tourney, at San Diego, July 8, 9, and 10.

The first day's program for Thursday, July 8, calls for ten 15 bird events and a special race at doubles, 25 pairs. Five 20 bird events precede the Preliminary Handicap on the second day. The handicap calls for 100 singles, unknown angles, 16 to 23 yards, high guns, $100 added, three Interstate Association trophies. Number of moneys determined by total of entries. Five 20 target races precede the feature event, the Pacific Coast Handicap, the closing day. Two hundred dollars will be added to the purse—winner of first money guaranteed $100 or more, second $75 or more, third $50 or more, besides three handsome trophies presented by the Interstate Association; handicaps 16 to 23 yards, 100 singles, unknown angles, high guns.

Practice day, Wednesday, July 7, offers a card of five 20 bird events, entrance $2.00, Rose system 5-4-3-2, sweepstakes optional.

The Squier money back system will apply to all of the regular events—350 targets.

Amateurs may shoot for birds only and be eligible for any of the Association trophies. Trade representatives, "targets only."

Daily Entrance Fees—First day: Entrance in regular events, $16.00; special event at double targets, $4.00; optional sweeps on regular events, ,$10.00; optional sweep on the 150 targets, $5.00; optional sweep on the three days' regular program (350 targets), $5.00; total, $40.00.

Second day: Entrance in regular events, $11.00; Preliminary Handicap, $8.00; optional sweeps on regular events, $500; optional sweep on the 100 targets, $5.00; total, $29.00.

Third day: Entrance in regular events, $11.00; Pacific Coast Handicap, $1.00; optional sweeps on regular events, $5.00; optional sweep on the 100 targets, $5.00; total, $32.00.

The "Little Joker" will be doing business between times, but so arranged that there will be no interference with a shooter's turn at the regular traps.

The Los Angeles Gun Club three-day shoot beginning July 12 will follow the San Diego smokeless powder fest.

A LEVELER OF SINFUL PRIDE.

[By F. W. Wilson.]

There is a cantankerous contrivance being sold by hardware and sporting goods dealers nowadays called a handtrap.

It has a handle similar to a revolver handle, a wire trigger, a coil spring that looks like the one on Ma's kitchen screen door, a long swinging arm which is attached to a trigger trip and which is released by pulling the trigger, causing the "blue rock" or "white flyer" to project herself into the atmosphere.

I don't know why they call the thing a trap. It doesn't catch anything, but it is some pitcher.

Those who have tried it say a trapshooter doesn't know what hard shooting is until he has gone up against some handtrap chucks, operated by a chap that knows how to make it perform at its best—or worst, to be more exact.

One prominent devotee of trapshooting says the handtrap is a leveler of sinful pride. That's another way of saying that a shooter who can average ninety and upwards over a stationary automatic trap can wear a smaller hat after an argument with a handtrap.

Of course, a handtrap will feed you nice, easy ones if you want that kind. In fact, you can make it be even more polite and gentlemanly than an automatic, but if you want something to really test your skill and enable you to show your friends and your best girl what a really great shooter you are, just have a chap with a mean disposition operate the trap for you. He will have to practice with it a while to get the hang of the body and arm swing to make it do its worst, but pretty soon he'll learn how to stand you on your head.

First, he will hand you one straight up. If you miss it, duck, because it may hit you even if you are considerate of its feelings. Then he'll chuck you a ground hugger—one that will not rise over three feet and will strike terra firma about twenty-five feet out. That one will take quick sighting and shooting. Maybe you'll get it; more likely you won't. Next will come a curver that would make "Matty" or Walter Johnson envious. You can stick out your chest if you land this sample. Extreme rights, extreme lefts and maybe some nice straight-a-ways, will follow. You are just as likely to miss the straight one right down the center of the groove as any of the others, because you won't be expecting any pie—not if the server ruffles up your nerves with a few of the nasty ones first.

Still you don't really know what trapshooting life is until you have sampled a handtrap's best.

It will not only test your skill, but it will vastly improve your shooting. It will make you quicker, more alert; yes, even more steady.

Another thing, it will enable you to shoot when there is no stationary shooting equipment available. In the woods, in camp, on the lake or river, even out on the ocean blue. If you have a gun, some shells and the little handtrap with you, you can shoot anywhere, anytime.

Tell your troubles to the hardware man and let him order you one, just to prove you're a good sport.

A FORECAST IN RHYME.

[By Mrs. "Pop" Merrill.]

Bluest skies with silvery sheen,
Encircling hills of gold and green,
That's what you'll see, on June Thirteen,
Out to Moraga.

"Pop" Merrill's Shoot is on that day;
The grass is now sweet scented hay;
"The background's perfect," so they say—
Out to Moraga.

Otto Feudner will be there—
Without a worry or a care;
At smashing bluerocks, he's a bear—
He'll be at Moraga.

Dick Reed will smile to see 'em break,
And Knight will many honors take,
And Burnham will a record make,
Out to Moraga.

Clarence Haight won't lag behind—
His gun will oft the targets find,
And Barney Worthen won't be blind,
Out to Moraga.

Mrs. Schilling, she is small,
But she can make the blue rocks fall,
She'll be our Mascot Baby Doll,
Out to Moraga.

They'll all be there, with guns and shells.
All good men will be there with bells—
Come out and see, all for yoursel's—
Come to Moraga.

At the Traps

Northwestern Sportsmen's Association Shoot.—The thirty-first annual Northwest shoot, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, started last Monday. A. C. Flickinger of Vallejo, Cal., registered the highest score of the opening day with 149 hits out of a possible 150. L. H. Reid of Seattle was the best among the "pros," having missed but three bluerocks out of 150.

In the match for the Du Pont Anaconda trophy, eighteen shooters, including four professionals, tied for first place; in the shoot-off Dr. E. R. Seeley of Medford, Ore., broke 20 straight, thereby winning the cup for the coming year. P. H. O'Brien, 20 yards, and E. H. Keller, 20 yards, both of Portland, tied for the Dayton meal, and when the extra twenty was called O'Brien broke 18, one more than Keller. F. M. Troeh of Vancouver, J. A. Dague of Tacoma and O. N. Ford of San Jose, Cal., shot off the tie in the Walla Walla Brownlee medal in the doubles. The Vancouver man made 16 and Dague but 14.

Comparatively good shooting continued the second day. Pete O'Brien and Frank M. Troeh tied for the highest honors among the amateurs with a mark of 148 out of a possible 150 in the regular events of the day. O'Brien completed his unfinished run of 113 made previously by scoring 13 more before missing. This 126 run was the longest of the meeting so far. Immediately after he missed the 127th bird he went out and ran 103 more.

J. F. Dodds of San Diego, Cal., won the Multnomah medal by winning a shoot-off with P. P. Nelson of Yacolt, Wash., in the 20 bird handicap, while in the Northwest individual championship Nelson won this honor for the second consecutive time. Eighteen tied for first place in this event, but the Yacolt man won out in the shoot-off. Dennis Holohan of Burley, Idaho, took away the Smalls cup without any extra opposition. He broke 25 straight. The thirty-second annual Northwest tournament for 1916 will be held at the Portland Gun Club grounds.

James W. Seavy of Portland, Ore., was elected president of the Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest at the annual meeting of the directors. Pete H. O'Brien was elected first vice-president; A. W. Strowger of Portland, second vice-president, ,and W. E. (Dick) Carlton, secretary. Directors chosen were: L. H. Reid of Seattle, O. N. Ford of San Jose, C. E. McKelvey of Seattle, I. M. Fisher of Seattle, Frank C. Riehl of Tacoma, Charles W. McKean of Portland, E. E. Morris of Portland, Fred A. Dryden of Spokane and P. J. Holohan of Portland.

By breaking 99 blue rocks out of a possible 100, W. J. Houser of Pomeroy, Wash., won the main event, known as "The Rose Festival." Second place among the amateurs was tied between O. N. Ford of San Jose, Cal., and A. G. Flickinger of Vallejo, Cal., shooting a 1912 model Winchester pump, each being but two points behind the winner.

Frank C. Riehl of Tacoma and H. E. Poston of San Francisco led the professionals, with the mark of one miss out of 100 shots. E. J. Chingren of Spokane won the Northwest handicap contest by breaking 48 out of 50 from the 20 yard line, and P. H. O'Brien was awarded the Becker trophy, formerly the Globe cup, made by smashing 27 singles and running twenty straight in the doubles for a total of 47. Despite a hard rainstorm, the shooters managed to turn in remarkable scores. Frank M. Troeh of Vancouver, Wash., was high amateur for the three-day tourney with 392 out of 400, and Pete H. O'Brien of Portland was second, just one point behind the Washingtonian.

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Washington State Tournament.—Under the auspices of the Seattle Trap Shooters' Association, the most successful two-day State shoot yet held took place. E. J. Chingren won the State championship after shooting off a tie with Frank Troeh, of Vancouver, 99 out of 100. Chingren broke 40 straight, in two 20 bird frames; Troeh dropped one bird. Over 70 shooters were on the firing line. A summary of scores follows—150 birds each day, a total of 300:

F. Troeh	142	148	290
P. H. O'Brien	146	144	290
Lou Rayburn	146	142	288
F. Dryden	144	142	286
L. R. Barkley	137	145	282
J. W. Seavey	139	142	281
E. J. Chingren	136	142	278
C. Owens	140	138	278
J. A. Dague	138	138	276
M. Grossman	137	138	275
C. E. McKelvey	135	140	275
P. P. Nelson	137	138	275
L. E. Ovenden	142	132	274
Guy Egbers	139	140	274
Ed Brackney	133	141	274
R. Miller	135	138	273
D. Cooper	130	143	273
G. Miller	140	133	273
C. A. O'Connor	136	136	272
F. Van Atta	136	133	269
F. M. Stockton	132	136	268
Chas. Porter	138	130	268
J. C. Jensen	136	132	268
J. H. Hurlbert	134	130	264
Guy Browne	132	131	264
C. E. MacLean	129	134	263
G. K. March	129	134	263
J. B. Adams	137	138	262
J. E. Rice	139	128	261
H. Fleming	132	128	260
R. Owens	130	134	260
Al Riehl	128	131	259
J. S. Ruppe	129	130	259
John Kemest	126	133	259
W. B. Taft	133	125	258
F. W. Sumner	125	133	258
F. Call	133	125	257
H. B. Quick	135	121	256
F. Landwehr	134	122	256
D. Fleet	127	127	254
H. L. Kinsland	125	128	253
D. Reid	122	125	247
Jas. Thompson	129	117	246
Joe Bacher	132	121	244
H. M. Williams	116	127	243
J. E. Tholin	122	119	241
A. L. Hall	121	120	241
Wm. Schiplin	120	120	240
R. W. Kinzer	122	118	240
G. A. Conklin	120	110	230
R. H. Wade	118	107	225
Mrs. O'Connor	127	98	225
A. Blau	131	139	210
C. M. Arnold	94	76	170
A. W. Strowger	38	99	137
J. B. Troeh†	...	134	134
E. W. Cooper	131	...	131
S. W. Yowell†	...	116	116
Dr. A. R. McKeown	114	...	114
A. B. Snell†	...	80	80
J. Cooper†	53	...	53
Mrs. F. Dryden†	27	17	44
Dr. Kerr†	...	25	25
H. Junker†	...	17	17
L. H. Reid*	145	147	292
Hugh Poston*	144	147	291
F. C. Riehl*	140	146	286
P. J. Holohan*	138	142	280
I. M. Fisher*	135	139	274
Geo. Hambright*	135	135	270
D. Rhodes*	116	87	203

*Professional. †Shot at less than schedule.

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Tacoma Traps.—Al Riehl was high gun at a recent Tacoma Gun Club shoot under a strong wind handicap. The scores were:

	Hdp.	Ttl.		Hdp.	Ttl.
J. C. Jensen	3	95	J. Cooper	0	67
Carl Coon	2	91	B. Eagan	1	93
E. W. Cooper	2	7	F. L. Baker	14	50
J. G. Startup	5	92	H. Bunker	8	89
H. Scofield	4	91	A. Blair	3	90
F. L. Griffin	3	92	A. Reihl	0	96
J. E. Bunker	5	43	J. A. Dague	0	93
W. B. Knoble	75	90	E. E. Young	2	93
L. S. Mellinger	8	88			

Fish Lines

Black bass fishing is now open throughout this State, as it began with Tuesday, June 1. Since the season opened in other districts, May 1, good sport has been enjoyed catching these game fishes, but the fish could not be brought into district No. 2 by local fishermen, particunlarly the sportsmen who fished in Middle river, a branch of the San Joaquin, below Stockton. Bob Murdoch, L. Gotthelf, Ed L. Schultz and J. F. Bemis had lucky days at that resort Sunday and Saturday. Murdoch's four-pounder was the largest fish taken, and that with a red spinner fly. There were also a number of Stockton and other fishermen on the river Sunday. Black bass are rather notional it seems, for while some of the rodsters used flies successfully the bait fishermen were entirely ignored. Later on the fish paid no attention to flies, but went after minnow baited hooks.

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Much to the intense satisfaction of the angling fraternity were the favorable tidings recently to the effect that trout fishing conditions are improving daily. A Monday report from Truckee stated that the river was low and clear, and that fishing was better than at any time last year. Later advices stated that the Truckee river had raised consider-

ably, but that the stream was clear. Possibly the higher level was caused by the gates at Lake Tahoe being opened. At all events, the news prompted a delegation of the San Francisco Fly-Casting Club—Frank J. Cooper, Charles H. Kewell, Carter T. Pomeroy, T. C. Kierulff, Horace Orrear, John F. Seibe, Walter D. Mansfield, Mr. and Mrs. I. Green, Frank Noyes and Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bogart—to leave town Saturday bound for the club's lodge near Union Mills with the intention of enjoying fly-casting on the river.

From Boca the word was that the fishing is good, either with fly patterns or baited hooks. J. B. Coleman and other local rodsters were at that point at the time.

The river between Truckee and Lake Tahoe was extremely low two weeks ago, due to all the gates at its source at the lake being closed. The only water then running into the river came from Squaw creek and the many smaller streams carrying the melted snows from the upper regions. When the gates were suddenly closed those fishing the river witnessed the amusing sight of large rainbow, Loch Leven and Mackinaw trout hurrying to reach the deep holes, where they could be seen in great numbers waiting until the gates were again opened. The deep pool at the outlet of the lake seems to have been the popular refuge of the larger fish. The Eastern tourists at the resort have been enjoying the sport immensely. The more expert anglers prefer the smaller pools about a mile or two away from the dam and have had some excellent sport. Some good catches have been made between Squaw creek and the tavern, it being no uncommon thing to land a five-pounder. The Loch Leven species seem to be more plentiful this season than ever. C. O. Valentine of Los Angeles landed a six and a half pounder on a six-ounce rod about two miles down the river. The catch was on exhibition at the Ellery Arms Company.

Truckee river bait fishermen find salmon eggs, worms and white grubs efficient in catching the wily trout. For spoon fishing the hooks are baited with white wood grubs and the case worms found on rocks in the stream. Later on the spoon hooks can be baited with minnows for good results.

The fly fishermen use the following patterns: Ginger quill, red quill, blue upright, red spinner and oak flies, tied number 12, 14 or 16 size hooks. Other patterns are also used, but the above list will do the work very well.

The California Anglers' Association has this week received word from G. Yaeger, railroad agent at Truckee, who says: "Fishing on the Truckee river near Truckee during the past week has been very good. Some good catches are reported with flies. The river is rather high. The large fish this season weighed eight and one-half pounds. It was caught near the dam at Polaris by Dave Gabona. Another trout, weighing three and one-half pounds, was caught by Mrs. E. J. Campbell near the mill pond west of Truckee. Both anglers used bait.

"Fishing is reported very good on Lake Tahoe and about 1000 pounds of trout are being shipped daily. Lake Independence is one of the few resorts free from market fishermen, and it has never before produced such good fishing as at present."

A composite report states that fishing in Lassen (some non-volcanic parts of it only), Trinity, Shasta, Siskiyou and Tehama counties was never better. Westwood, Lassen county, has the fishing bug badly. "The entire town has gone crazy; 317 licenses have been sold since the season opened and merchants selling fishing tackle are getting rich." L. W. Herman and son and N. A. Hawkins landed sixty-six trout from Butte creek, fishing with fly hooks. The trout weighed twenty-four pounds, a good average size they were.

Creeks in the vicinity of Skaggs Springs, according to George S. McCullom, who recently returned from there, were good for five limits in one week—trout that ran from seven to eleven inches in size.

Shasta river fishing points are also reported to be in the fly-fishing class now. The killing patterns are said to be black flies, with peacock bodies. N. A. Hawkins, Solon Williams, and J. W. Churchill's combined catch Wednesday was ninety trout.

Feather river trout possibilities are much improved. At Belden it is reported to be O. K. both for bait and fly-fishing.

Albert Grunewaldt, who put in a fortnight on the Feather, near Big Bar, states that the fishing should be good now. The river is getting low and clear, ten feet lower than two weeks ago. Salmon eggs and spoon were the killing lures for catches of trout averaging a pound each. From Camp Rodgers word comes that weather conditions are pleasant and fishing fine. Mrs. B. Broadwater of Oakland and others landed limit baskets a few days ago at that point. There is also good fishing in the nearby creeks, so it is given out.

David and Harold Hearfield are still located at Klamath Hot Springs. The sport has been steadily improving. Salmon flies have appeared about the river, which should aid matters perceptibly.

The Arroya Mocho, a creek up in the Alameda hills, beyond Livermore, and tributary to Alameda creek, furnished Sam Wells, Al Hoffman and L. Maxson with baskets of nice-sized trout that fell to fly-hook tempting one day recently. Ed McGarry and other Oakland rodsters all picked up good baskets of fish the same day. The Arroya Honda, a brushy stream and rather hard to get to, was found to be in limit shape Sunday for K. C. Mobley and a friend.

Throckmorton lagoon, on the Marin ocean shore, was fished by Clarence Kolb recently, with satisfactory results.

Milton Frankenburg's trouting venture in Sonoma creek, not long ago, above Schellville, was fraught with a spice of danger. He became stalled in quicksand and was rescued, after some trouble, by his partner, John Cattermole. A catch of eight-inch trout was part compensation for the unpleasant adventure.

From Bass Lake, in Madera county, the fishing dope is that nearby stream fishing is about due. The creeks are high but clear. The snow water has all run off. In the lake itself the trout fishing is said to be fine. Black bass are now taking imitation insect lures.

Trout fishermen who have prospected the peninsula creeks report varying success. San Gregorio creek and lagoon yielded seventy-five proper sized trout to Harold Ladd and a friend. E. H. Humphrey fished Tunitas creek. Trout were plentiful and readily rose to fly hooks, but they were nearly all too small to brag about. The roads down the coast had dried out thoroughly, but the adobe mud humps, hard as stone, need leveling.

The visitors at Point Reyes last Sunday were rather few, and found fishing conditions only fair. Will Eaton's basket made about the best showing. Lagunitas lake, early last week, did not offer overly pleasant weather conditions, for wind and rain jarred the sport of Charlie Briedenstein, Baldo Ivancovich, Sam A. Wells, Leon Greenebaum, Al Langerman and others.

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Striped bass fishermen should have a better innings tomorrow than for the past fortnight. A few catches have been reported for the past fortnight. Corte Madera creek and other sloughs near Greenbrae seem to be worth a trial. Sunday George Gregory landed an eight and a ten pounder and Charles Farrell caught a smaller bass. Two other fishermen are reported to have caught twenty bass, nearly all under weight. Fishing with a K. & S. silver and copper spoon, the South Vallejo lighthouse keeper landed seven striped bass Saturday. Another account states that a few bass have been taken in Napa creek, some distance below the drawbridge. Up Rio Vista way there is evidently a run of bass in the creeks and sloughs, for about all of the bass shipped to local markets came from the net fishermen near Rio Vista.

HOOKWORM IN DOGS.

We are indebted to Mr. C. M. Felder, of Blackville, S. C., states the Southern Kennel Reporter, for the following very interesting review, as indicated by the above heading—"Hookworm in Dogs"—which was published in the February 25, 1915, issue of "The National Field," and reads as follows:

"In our issue of February 4th, we promised to give certain information that was being furnished us by Dr. Bishop, of Holder, Fla., in our following number, but owing to delay in securing a full report, we were compelled to wait this opportunity and now present in full, the treatment used by them successfully in combating this dreaded scourge of the kennel. It has been very prevalent and fatal in the South, more particularly in Florida, and we are to be congratulated in having the co-operation of these two worthy members of the medical profession, both ardent doglovers, in finding a reliable treatment for it. We append herewith a full report as furnished by Dr. Bishop."

"That the hookworm, Uncinaria Canina, is a common inhabitant of intestines in dogs and cats is a well-known fact. According to Dr. Stiles, Uncinariasis is a very common disease in dogs in Washington, D. C., and the same author states that from 25 to 40 per cent. of the pups born in some parts of the United States die from hookworm disease. The parasite causes a disease known as typhoid in cats.

"Examination of the excrement of dogs in Jacksonville, Fla., and elsephere, showed an infestation with the eggs and larvæ of hookworms. The dogs which furnished the samples were, in most cases, healthy and running at large, while in two cases they were patients in a hospital and being treated for other troubles, presumably.

"Recently, a dog owned by one of us died of Black Tongue, and was examined, in part, in the bacteriological laboratory, Dr. Hanson bacteriologist, assisting in the examination. The bowel showed a heavy infestation of hookworms. The lesions produced by the worms in the bowel were the only noticeable departure from a normal condition of the body.

"As this observation was considered of great importance in throwing some light upon this mysterious disease, the treatment of several affected dogs was at once instituted, upon the theory that the disease, black tongue, is an acute form of uncinariasis. The dogs were given the thymol-salts treatment, with the result that they all recovered, showing the marked improvement noticeable in successfully treated cases in the human being. Both from a pathological and from the sportsman's standpoint, this observation is of great interest because the disease known as black tongue has prevailed here for many years, and no theory as to its cause that was worthy of credence has ever before been advanced.

"The sportsman and the dog owner have realized that this disease is the bane of canine life in Florida. It is hoped that dog owners will take up the question and have their dogs affected with black tongue treated for hookworms, according to the plan suggested in this article, and report the results to the State Board of Health. It may be well to give the symptoms we have found present in what we recognize as black tongue.

"Symptoms.—The most certain method of diagnosis is the examination of the excrement for eggs and larvæ, by the microscope. Those who are not equipped to make this examination may forward a small sample of freshl y-voided excrement to the Veterinarian of the State Board of Health, Jacksonville, Fla., with notice of shipment. Send the excrement as passed, and not in a liquid. Repeated shipments during treatments will be necessary for determining when the dog is free of the worm.

"The most prominent symptom first noticed is the paleness of the tongue and other mouth parts; abnormal desire for articles that dogs do not usually eat, such as dirt, clay, manure and other filth. A cough develops. Vomiting is present. Dribbling of saliva occurs throughout the disease. It is thick and ropy, and when mixed with dirt, causes a very unclean appearance of the mouth. Champing of the jaws is present, and this causes abrasions of the tongue, which becomes infected, as do the other tissues, and then we note, 'sore mouth,' with loss of appetite and inability to swallow. The breath becomes offensive, as do also the vomits and excrements, which in many cases consist almost solely of blood, mucus, and bile. The skin is in the condition known as 'hidebound,' in several cases. There is general weakness of the body, which manifests itself more particularly in the limbs, and this increases, along with other symptoms up to the point of death, which is usually an easy one.

"The existence of skin lesions, 'ground itch,' is not a constant lesion in dogs or in cattle infested with hookworms. This is readily understood when one considers the comparative sensitiveness of the animal hide and of the animal foot.

"Treatment.—This should be begun early, before the urgent symptoms have developed, if the best results are to be obtained. Hence, when the dog passes blood and mucus, the excrement should be examined for the eggs and larvæ. It may, as in man, require several treatments before the worm is totally eradicated from the animal.

(Concluded next week.)

Interstate Association Tournaments—

June 15, 16, 17—The Interstate Association's Tenth Western Handicap Tournament, St. Louis, Mo., under the auspices of the Missouri Athletic Association Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Western Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

July 8, 9, 10—The Interstate Association's Tenth Pacific Coast Handicap Tournament, San Diego, Cal., under the auspices of the Pastime Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Pacific Coast Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

August 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chicago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy, and the winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

Registered Tournaments — Pacific States and Territories:

July 1, 2—Vancouver Gun Club, C. A. Porter, Secretary, Vancouver, Can.

July 5—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President, Eureka, Cal.

July 5—Sunrise Gun Club, H. S. Hill, Secretary, Sunrise, Wyo.

July 5—Holbrook Gun Club, J. S. Hulet, Secretary, Holbrook, Ariz.

July 9, 10—Gem City Gun Club, Max Weick, Secretary, Laramie, Wyo.

July 12—Rawlins Rod and Gun Club, H. Breitenstein, Secretary, Rawlins, Wyo.

July 12, 13, 14—Los Angeles Gun Club, Fred H. Teeple, Secretary, Venice, Cal.

July 19, 20, 21, 22—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary, Tacoma, Wash.

July 24—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, W. S. Short, Secretary, Chehalis, Wash.

July 28, 29—Delta County Gun Club, Nick Powell and R. A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

August 10—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

Rem-UMC Notes.

It is an interesting fact that at the San Jose, Cal., tournament held May 29-31, with an average attendance of 50 shooters, at the final reckoning it was found the first seven amateur averages were won by shooters, pinning their faith to the Remington-UMC combination.

J. F. Couts, Jr. won high amateur average with his Remington-UMC pump gun with a splendid score of 476x500.

Second, third, fourth and fifth averages were won by Messrs. Ford, Flickinger, Ogilvie, Haliburton and Barstow, all using Remington-UMC Arrow Speed shells.

In the professional class H. E. Poston was high with 481x500. H. C. Reed was second with 468x500, both using Remington-UMC Arrow Speed Shells, and R. C. Reed a Remington-UMC pump gun.

The long run of the tournament was made by R. H. Bungay with 110 straight, using Remington-UMC pump gun and Arrow Speed shells.

THE FARM

MONTH FOR GOPHER WARFARE.

April and May are the months in which farmers should get after the pestiferous gopher. Seed corn can be protected from their attacks by various methods. Corn soaked in the following solution is a good poison bait for the gopher:

One ounce of sulphate of strychnine dissolved in a pint of boiling water, with an equal quantity of sugar syrup added and mixed thoroughly.

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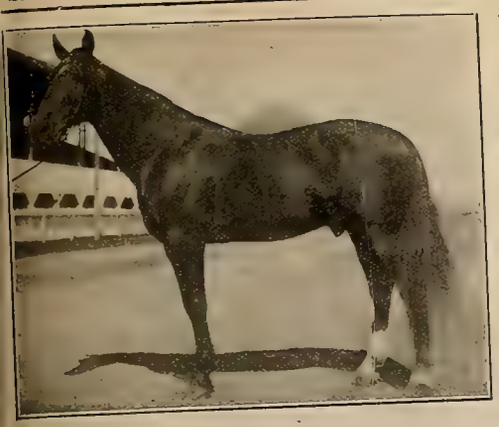
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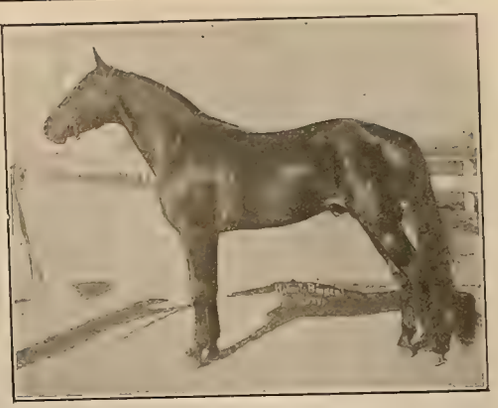
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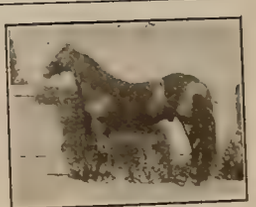
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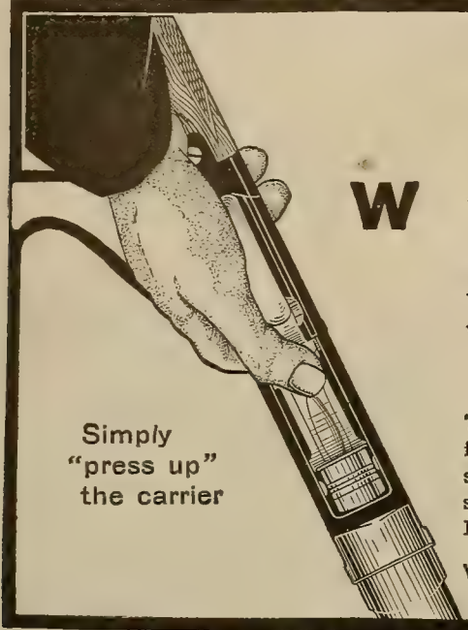
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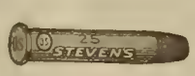
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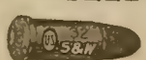
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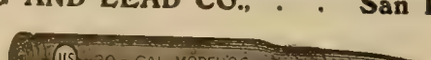
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CLIMATE AGAIN.

According to the best of our recollections, it was Shakespeare who said, "Beware of jealousy, the green-eyed monster!" We hesitate to quote the Immortal Bard in these remarks because we did so a week or two ago, in others anent the same subject, whereupon the assertion was made that Bath House John was the author of our quotation. The writer who made this assertion, manifestly, was unfamiliar with the works of the Swan of Avon, but had heard "The Bath's" effusion, "Dear Midnight of Love," warbled from the voddyveel stage.

It was the editor of our San Francisco contemparary, the "Breeder and Sportsman," who committed this grotesque faux-pas; but, nevertheless, we shall not sacrifice Shakespeare to the Barbary Coast, especially when the use of one of his most classic sentiments comes in so pat. What he said about jealousy, therefore, goes, for its bearing, in the present instance, cannot be ignored. For some months past the editor referred to has been experiencing pangs of envy of the peerless Italian climate of Chicago and the Lake Region generally—not only experiencing them, but recording them publicly; vocalizing them, as it were, with variations, as did Little Buttercup her pangs of remorse in the dear departed days when "Pinafore" was on earth and the Movies still unmoved.

As for us, it never occurred to us to be envious of the "B. and S." editor's climate. It's a long, long way to Californy, to the crankiest clime we know. As we have previously explained, we have "been there"—and how glad we were to get back to civilization and thaw out on the sunny shores of Lake Michigan! To be in any way enamored of the weather we left there never entered our head. Living, as we do, in the sublime state of Illinois, where the climate is Elysian—one long dream of changeless bliss—why should we sigh for something not only far, far distant, but, like the crock of gold at the end of the rainbow, not there when you get there?

Our innocence, therefore, is and will remain incontestable. It positively cannot be impugned—particularly as, when we chose to pen a few appreciative words of our own superlative locality, back in the winter of the "B. and S.'s" discontent (this is more Shakespeare, but being over the head of its editor, it won't touch him), we made positively no invidious comparisons. We spoke, in a perfectly ordinary tone of voice, of the halcyon days that came to Chicago as regularly as the leaves we tore off our calendar-pad each morning; paying tribute to their delightful quality for themselves alone—simply that and nothing more. There was no mention of California and no thought of it. Does the owner of Uhlan sigh for Billy Dog Tracks?—or the Kentucky Breeders' Association covet the reputation of the Hooppole County Fair? We wot not.

No—we spurn the thought of jealousy upon our part. But the editor of the "B. and S.," catching sight of our remarks, became at once positively emerald-eyed! How can such things be explained? Again we must revert to Shakespeare who said—did he not?—"Let the galled jade wince! Our withers are unwrung!" It was his own unenviable condition that led him to indulge in the unseemly animadversions regarding Chicago weather which have disfigured his publication—utterances which we long ignored until at last, becoming particularly flagrant, we considered that we might, without descending to their level, expose the animus which inspired them and put the public wise. We accordingly did so, in a few dignified paragraphs, feeling that while truth was mighty and would prevail, an occasional boost always helps.

To our remarks, restrained and temperate as they were, the emerald-eyed press-agent of the Barbaryous clime would, we felt sure, take exceptions. If our original innocuous observations would so excite him as was the case, anything really pointed could hardly fail to arouse him to fury. Still, in the face of an imperative public duty, we did not attempt to evade the issue. The said issue is that of the "B. and S." of May 29, wherein the climatic conditions prevalent in and about San Francisco have precipitated a brain-storm of the most violent description. Observing this meteorological disturbance from afar, it presents to us many extraordinary features. But it fails utterly to affect our own calmness. Neither does it arouse our resentment. Having disclosed the futility of any claim for the climate of Barbary as compared with that of Illinois, our duty in the premises is fulfilled and we pass on to other things. In the words of the Bard (really, it is astonishing how many quotations from that deathless weaver of words are always applicable):

Come stroll with us along Chicago's shore,
Where every day is an Elysium—
The thought of California is a bore,
Because its climate is so very bum.

Ain't it awful, fellers, the things we are sometimes called upon to do in the pursuit of our daily livelihood? Here, all unexpectedly, we have done gone and got embroiled in a squabble that promises to last longer than the battle of the Indiana State Fair or the siege of Nelson's sulky—and us with our time fully took up with the delicate intricacies attendant upon the courting of a comely widder woman with no kids, oodles of cash in the bank, a kind and loving disposition and a four hundred acre farm, well fenced, largely in cultivation, good house and barn and running water in every pasture! (Full particulars on application to interested parties, for as soon as the widder says yes, this here farm is on the market.) Anybody experienced with widders will bear out our contention that this ain't no time for setting up nights thinking of things to say to anybody but the widder herself, but knowing that a large following of local friends would expect us to continue what we had unintentionally gotten into, we had lied to the widder about having a sick friend and stayed up most of one night this week, studying a handy little volume of wit and sarcasm and pertinent and impertinent paragraphs culled from the works of the world's greatest argufyers and satirists. We found out how the Review does it, and believe us, it is a cinch when you get the combination. Even with our limited education we were succeeding famously in getting together a screed that had all the highbrow tone that marks the meaningless mouthings of the Review's phonographic fulminations, albeit the latter sound at times as though the point needed changing! Aided by the useful volume we were rapidly getting into shape an impassioned excoriation that should leave the Review's editor with neither hide nor hair. It was a lulu! It had Cicero lashed to the mast and T. Roosevelt left at the post. But—it was all in vain; we had just as well spent the evening camped right at the widder's warm side; we had thrown away four hours of perfectly good time that could not be recalled. Resting for a moment from our arduous labors we picked up the Review for a bit of the mental relaxation to be gained from a perusal of its pages. Then did we become aware of the true error of our way, then did it dawn upon us that our efforts to "keep even" with the Review in our current controversy were indeed the height of futility.

Gentle reader, we would ask you this: What is the use of becoming further entangled in a long distance argument with a contemporary whose powers of observation and comprehension are so limited, whose knowledge of actually existing facts and circumstances is so deficient, whose opinions are so warped and biased and with whom the habit of making deliberate mis-statements in preference to telling the simple truth is so far developed, and whose absolute aversion to truth is so pronounced that, in his own pet publication, after properly heralding Lock Logan's performance of 2:07¼ on May 22 at Woodland, he jumps a few inches and in the same column makes the bald, positive statement: "THE BEAVER 2:04¼ AT SAN FRANCISCO LAST SATURDAY, IS THE FIRST NEW 2:10 PACER OF 1915"?

Echo answers: "What?"

GOOD YOUNGSTERS AT AUCTION.

Californians who have a "weakness" for the trotter and pacer will have a most excellent opportunity presented to them to get some good youngsters of the family at their own prices next Saturday, June 26, at Suisun, the occasion being the annual offering of yearling two-year-old fillies and geldings, from the establishment of Rush & Haile. From Suisun Stock Farm in bygone years have come some of the best campaigners of the west, and its premier stallion, Demonio 2:11¼, takes rank as the best of the families of either Charles Derby 2:20 or Bertha as a sire of speed. Every year sees ample additions to Demonio's 2:10 list, which now totals eight, or nearly fifty per cent of his entire representation of standard performers, a distinction enjoyed by but few sires whose performers number as large a total. In the sale, too, are youngsters by Vernon McKinney 2:01½, Montbaine, and Gen. John B. Frisbie, stallions of quality in every respect and recognized as sires of speed.

The sale commences at two o'clock and there is no reserve set upon any of its offerings. The boys and girls are all well grown, good colored, sound, and free from artificial faults, as they have never been broken save to halter. The catalog is ready for distribution and may be had upon application.

AN OVERSIGHT ON OUR PART.

Having published a collection of wireless dispatches which we failed to receive, we are now confronted with the duty of giving publicity to a communication found lying on our desk—we use the word "lying" advisedly—on our return from the races one evening this week. The document bears marks of authenticity and is presented herewith:

Radiogram via Fisher's Switch, Medicine Hat, Skookumhouse Butte and Lassen Peak.

Indianapolis, Ind., June 11.

Chicago dispatch in B. and S. of June 5 is remiss in one important particular, as it failed to state that prior to Mr. Flaws' departure for San Francisco, with his commission as presiding judge and special correspondent for the Horse Refuse safely tucked away in his B.V.D.'s, he received by absent treatment the blessing and Godspeed of his ex-employer, Mr. Campau, whose heart is torn with sorrow over the vast distance that lies between him and his wandering boy, but still prays for his safe return. If Mr. Flaws has not yet informed you of this important omission from your Chicago correspondent's dispatch, you will kindly present this for his complete verification and approval. Along with the blessing, it may be said, in passing, was an ample check which was intended to provide for the highest state of comfort, food and refreshment of Mr. Flaws in San Francisco. Fac simile of check is herewith attached.

GAMEY.

Lest there be those among you who doubt the genuineness of this startling expose, we have preserved carefully the original, as well as the fac-simile of the check, and as Exhibits A. and B. they may be inspected by those who have the price of admission to our curio department.

OLD WAR HORSES.

From Edward III's reign to that of Henry VIII little is known of the development of the English horse. Henry VIII imported horses from Turkey, Spain and Naples, and he enacted laws for the improvement of the native horse. Each park-owner had to keep from two to four brood mares not less than 13 hands high, and no stallions under 14 hands high were allowed for breeding in the commons, chases, and forests; no stallions under 15 hands were allowed to run free. The gelding was introduced about this time.

In Elizabeth's reign there was still a scarcity of horses, and in 1588, the year of the Spanish Armada, only 3,000 horses could be mustered, and these were said to have been strong, bulky animals, slow in action and only fit for agriculture or draught, and very indifferent chargers. It was a penal offense at this time to make over a "horse to the use of any Scottish man." Coaches were also introduced, an invention which marks out a new stage in the history of the English horse.

Blundeville, writing in 1850 of what he considers the best breeds, includes the Turk and the Barbarian in his list, and says that the horses that "do commonly call Barbarians do come out of the King of Tunnisland, out of Massilie Numidia, which for the most part be but little horses, but themselves very swift and able to make a long cariere, which is the cause why we esteem them so much."

These eastern horses soon produced their effect in improving the native horses, and in the middle of Charles I's reign there were considerable numbers of horses of the hunter type in England; it was on such horses that Cromwell managed to mount his Ironsides, at a cost of some $90 for each horse. The great Protector knew his business well. There is a letter from him, dated November 11, 1642, which must remain a model for the needs of the horse-soldier. It runs:

"Dear Friend.—Let the saddler see to the horse gear. I learn from one many are ill-served. If a man has not good weapons, horse and harness, he is as naught.—From your friend, Oliver Cromwell.'

Charles II was the true founder of the system of breeding which produced the thoroughbred horse of today. He sent his Master of the Horse to the Levant to buy mares, principally Turks and Barbs. The influence of the Libyan horse must still be noticed. The result of these purchases were the celebrated relay mares, from which our racehorses are for the most part descended.

The great war-horse served his part, and gradually disappeared. His descendants still survive in the cart horse, in the State coach horse, and in the black chargers of the Household Cavalry. As the need of swifter horses for war and for pleasure arose, so the modern types gradually developed, the racehorse and the hunter deriving their size and strength from the old native strains, and their beauty, their courage, and their endurance from the Eastern sires.—Live Stock Journal, London.

Clinton A. Harrison of Seattle, as full of enthusiasm for the trotter as ever, and rejoicing in his emancipation from the confinement of the hotel business, was among the visitors at the exposition races this week. C. A. was kept pretty busy shaking hands with numerous friends and telling of his horses in the stable of J. B. Stetson at Salem, but managed at that to find time for the indulgence of his most famous specialty, doing favors for a few folks who have had hard luck to battle with. May he live long, and prosper!



WHITE SOX WINNING SECOND HEAT OF FREE-FOR-ALL PACE



LIZZIE DILLON LEADING THE 2:17 PACERS AROUND FIRST TURN

Sport Continues at the Exposition

Fifth Day.

Friday, June 11.—The wind was less in evidence today than earlier in the week, and the growing interest in the meeting on the part of the general public caused a better attendance, good racing being the reward of those who made the long trip out to the race track.

Laramie Lad, second on Wednesday to Virginia Barnette in the class for 2:16 trotters, took his turn at heading the summary in time about the same as his previous race. Matawan made it his second start in two days. The Proof came out for his final appearance over the exposition track, and the balance of the field were new ones for the local race goers to view—Kinney de Lopez 2:23 from the Hemet Stock Farm, Dr. D. C. 2:14¼ from Phoenix, Tropic Dawn 2:18¾ from across the line in Canada, and the chestnut mare Bessie Custer from Chicago. The Proof drew the pole for the first heat, Dr. D. C. on the outside getting the word on a break and cutting over into the pole behind the leaders, settling quickly to a trot. Kinney de Lopez, a stranger to company and finding the hard footing none too comfortable, broke on the turn, the order at the quarter being Matawan, Laramie Lad and The Proof. Before leaving the back stretch Spencer had moved to second position but could not out-trot McDonald's gelding in the stretch.

Laramie Lad, who in spite of his speed is far from being a nice gaited horse, went away in the second heat on a hop, skip and jump that apparently cost him neither ground nor effort, Dr. D. C. making an ascension on the turn and McDonald and Frellson leading to the quarter. The Proof made a bid for the heat but quit trotting in the stretch, Tropic Dawn coming through to second on the pole and Bessie Custer resting her feet by finishing on the pace. After the Canadian mare's good showing she was given considerable regard for place in the final time out, but The Proof was warming to his task and had ideas of his own about this "place" business. Matawan buzzed to the front in the first eighth but gave way to Laramie Lad before reaching the quarter, The Proof letting out a few links down through Moccasin Bend and going into the lower turn in second place. Gradually the two leaders opened up considerable daylight between them and the Canadian entry, who in turn was well ahead of Matawan, who was beginning to feel the effect of his two strenuous days. Spencer set sail for the finishing post when the pair straightened out into the lane and collared McDonald some yards from the wire, getting almost in the clear for a lead when his horse left his feet. So close were the pair to the wire that the judges placed them as they finished, Matawan failing to finish inside the flag. Laramie is beginning to amass the sum required to square up his board bills, and The Proof begins to look like a really useful horse. The kind of racing that would best suit him, from present indications, is the good old three in five system, as he acts like a stayer and can carry his speed well.

Locally owned horses made up the major portion of the field for the club pace, though visitors were in evidence from Stockton, San Jose and Sacramento. Fortune seems to have favored the invaders in the professional events at the meeting, but this time the home guards held the trenches manfully and allowed but a small portion of the spoils of war to be wrested from them. Will Kenney's old reliable war horse, W. J. K., carried his driver to the front when the word was given, Casey Jones and Bradmont lying second and third at the half. Casey executed some fancy steps heading into the stretch and put himself out of the running, Bradmont coming through on the pole quite a bit behind the leader. With Tim putting up a drive exactly to his liking, Bradmont began overhauling W. J. K. and finished safely in front, Smith going to the bat just a bit too late to stave off the bay gelding's rush. Mabel Dillon a comfortable third and Trix McAdrian going an excellent heat and finishing fourth after having been sent away absolutely last.

Next time out, Mabel Dillon broke early, followed by an ascension on the part of Jack at the three-eighths. Frank Wright with Jim Donnelly having cut out the pace and leading the field into the stretch in a manner that set the Sacramentans to pulling for him with might and main. For a time it looked like anybody's race—confining the "anybody" to Donnelly, W. J. K. and Bradmont—but the Lijero pacer flew up some distance from the wire and again Bradmont slipped through on the pole, Jack and Trix McAdrian standing a hot drive for fourth place in which the little black fellow was a bit the best. The Stockton mare developed into the front runner for a goodly portion of the last heat, and with the exception of Jim Donnelly, who broke early in the mile, the entire field was within striking distance at the three-quarters. Until well up the stretch Trix seemed to have the legs of the party, but once more Bradmont got a sniff of the big end of the purse and set sail for it like a cat after a mouse, quietly and unostentatiously but with his mind absolutely on his business, Trix outstepping W. J. K. in the drive for place. Bradmont, for a horse of his speed capacity, is about perfect as a matinee horse, as he has yet to make a mistake this season with Tim Sexton holding the reins.

The 2:17 pace looked for all the world just like a jinx race as it appeared on the program originally—thirteen starters for a Friday feature—but the scratching of Baby Gommet broke the jonah and left an even dozen, with Charley DeRyder and his big Zombro pacer, Zomblack, carrying the hoodoo number. Bearing in mind the ease with which O. U. C. handled his field in his first race until hard luck with a weak hobble cut him down, the crowd settled themselves to watch him perform. "Watch him perform" was right, but not the way they figured, however, as the big fellow simply refused to behave on the score and spoiled a number of starts. Hedgewood Patchen, who was receiving his "baptism" as a race horse, behaved very nicely on the pole, and Starter Updegraff finally put O. U. C. on his own responsibility and sent 'em away with him doing a "thé dansant" special far behind the bunch, settling into a pace after his case was hopeless. Lizzie Dillon led a good delegation into the stretch but faded before going the length of the long lane, Directline winning, closely convoyed by Potrero Boy, Zomblack and Zoetrix, in the very nice time of 2:08¼. Sandy Smith, the unmannerly flagman, flock shot into the bunch and at one fell swoop eliminated four good pacers from the contest—Buzz Patch, Dicto, Pointer Belle and O. U. C., the latter lad showing that he had the legs of the bunch by pacing his mile in :30¾, 1:01¼, 1:33¼ and 2:06¼, pulling up from the distance home. Patience and perseverance, with experience, will enable him to redeem himself in the future and his owner and trainer are in no way disheartened over his early mishaps.

With the field cut thirty-three and a third per cent it was less unruly on the score, and the bunch went away in nice shape, with Fleeta Dillon next to last. Directline, Potrero Boy, Zomblack and Lizzie Dillon buzzed to the quarter in the order named, Fleeta Dillon closing up considerable ground before going into the lower turn. In the lane the clip was a merry one, Zomblack and Potrero Boy indulging in a rousing duel for first place, Fleeta Dillon surprising the doubting Thomases by finishing strongly and dropping into third place ahead of Hedgewood Patchen, the whole field giving the rude Mr. Smith the merry ha ha by getting past him before he had a chance to shoot the other barrel of the howitzer that had worked such havoc with the bunch in their first heat.

"Goodby Fleeta" was the prevailing expression in the final round, as she was nervous as one William the Quitter was during the preparation of certain recent diplomatic correspondence and spoiled a few scores. When at last the eight wigglers got the signal that started them on their last round she was lengths to the bad and on a break, but settled and started after the leaders with a right good will. Potrero Boy broke on the turn and Zoetriz and Donald went to the front to the half, Fleeta going down the inside passage for a good gain and a number of the leaders hitting into the turn well bunched Zoetrix led them into the straight and when the drive started Potrero Boy looked like a winner. The big bay gelding broke in the stretch, however, and the honors went to the long-priced Fleeta, Hedgewood Patchen finishing well and outstepping Zoetrix. Zomblack made a game drive but had gone a fairly lengthy mile and the travelers of the short route had it on him in the brush. Fleeta Dillon has gone two races better than anyone expected her to do and Shuler, junior, gets along with her very nicely. The day's results:

San Francisco, Friday, June 11, 1915.

2:18 trot, purse $2,000:

Laramie Lad, b g by Master Bo—Daughter of Oronteo 2:16½.....(McDonald) 1 1 2
The Proof, br h by The Exponent 2:11¾—Chord 2:27 by Wilkes Boy 2:24½.....(Spencer) 2 3 1
Tropic Dawn, br m by Symboleer 2:09½—Panadora by Allerton 2:09¼.....(Fleming) 3 2 3
Matawan, br g by Athadon 2:27—Cora Wickersham by Junio 2:22.....(Frellson) 6 4 ds
Bessie Custer, ch m by Ed Custer 2:10—Valpa 2:09½ by Dark Night.....(Whitney) 4 ds
Doctor D. C., b g by Del Coronado 2:09½ (Nugent) 5 ds
Kinney de Lopez, ch h by Kinney Lou 2:07¾—Betsey Direct 2:25¾ by Direct 2:05½.....(Doble) ds

Time—:31½, 1:05¼, 1:38¾, 2:10¼
:32¼, 1:06 , 1:40 , 2:11¾
:31½, 1:05¼, 1:38½, 2:11¼

Distribution of purse—Laramie Lad $875, The Proof $575, Tropic Dawn $350, Matawan $50, Bessie Custer $50, Association $100.

2:15 pace, driving club, purse $1,000:

Bradmont, b g by Alto Leyburn 2:24¼—Daughter of The Earlmont 2:09¾.....(Sexton) 1 1 1
W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince—Psyche..(Smith) 2 2 3
Trix McAdrian, br m by McAdrian 2:24—Mountain Girl by Mountain Boy.....(Hoffman) 4 5 2
Mabel Dillon, ch m by Sidney Dillon—Palo Belle 2:24½ by Palo Alto 2:08¾.....(Becker) 3 6 4
Jack, bl g untraced.....(McDonald) 5 4 5
Jim Donnelly, b g by Lijero 2:15½—Pearl Sinclair by Hanford Medium .....(Wright) 6 3 ds
Casey Jones, b g by Welcome 2:10½—Elsie P. 2:24 by Egyptian Prince .....(Cornett) ds
Edith Light, ch m by Aerolite 2:06¾—Edith 2:10 by Dexter Prince .....(Boyle) ds

Time—:32½, 1:06¼, 1:41½, 2:13¼
:31¼, 1:06¼, 1:41 , 2:13¼
:32½, 1:07¼, 1:42¼, 2:15

Distribution of purse—Bradmont $500, W. J. K. $225, Trix McAdrian $125, Mabel Dillon $87.50, Jack $25, Jim Donnelly $37.50.

2:17 pace, purse $2,000:

Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio 2:11¼—Potrero Girl by Prince Airlie .....(Daniels) 2 1 4
Fleeta Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon—Lady Hilda Hills by Wilkes Boy 2:24½..(Lawrence Shuler) 8 3 1
Directline, br h by Baron Direct—Woodland Echo by Woodline 2:19.....(Joe McGuire) 1 6 6
Zomblack, bl h by Zombro 2:11—Madeline Marshall by Demonio 2:11¼ .....(C. L. DeRyder) 3 2 5
Hedgewood Patchen, ch g by Hedgewood Boy 2:01—Lady Patchen 2:29¼ by The Patchen Boy 2:10¾ .....(McDonald) 5 4 2
Zoetrix, ch m by Zolock 2:05¼—Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ .....(Chadbourne) 4 5 3
Lizzie Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon—Angela S. by Silent Chimes .....(Marvin Childs) 6 7 7
Donald, b g by Golden Baron—Kitty by Knight 2:22½ .....(Ivey) 7 8 8
Buzz Patch, bl m by Dan Patch 1:55¼—Heloise Grattan by Grattan 2:13.....(Macey) ds
Pointer Belle, b m by Star Pointer 1:59¼—Dictatus Belle 2:24¼ by Dictatus 2:17.....(Frellson) ds
O. U. C., b g by C. The Limit 2:03¼—Rosie Woodburn by Easter Wilkes.....(Frank Childs) ds
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy 2:17½.....(Will DeRyder) ds

Time—:31¼, 1:03¾, 1:37¼, 2:08¼
:31¼, 1:04¾, 1:38 , 2:08¼
:31¼, 1:06¼, 1:40¼, 2:11¼

Distribution of purse—Potrero Boy $675, Fleeta Dillon $450, Directline $325, Zomblack $250, Hedgewood Patchen $175, Zoetrix $125.

Sixth Day.

Saturday, June 12.—If the "dope" or the "beans" that are spilled so frequently around harness horse racing courses were only of an edible variety, what a feast the seagulls that frequent the beach upon which the P.-P. I. E. track fronts would have had today. They could have gorged themselves to repletion, and there would still have been left a mountain of grub that would have brought joy to the hearts of the Belgian relief commission, for Saturday, kind friends, was one of those days when the best laid plans o' mice and men gang aft agley. "Spilled beans" on a race track, however, engender entirely different emotions in the bosoms of the spectators from those aroused by "spilled milk" in the heart of the humble housewife, and today's upsets gave the crowd a run for its money that made the afternoon seem all too short.

Spriggan, $700 Horse, Grabs Rich Trot

For two years the talk of the coast country has been the four great stakes scheduled for the exposition meetings, one of which, the 2:10 trot, was carded for today, interest being heightened by the contesting of the free-for-all pace as well. From every California town where the trotter has a following came a representation numbering from one lone lover of the sport to scores of enthusiastic boosters, and early after lunch time the turnstiles began clicking away, registering the largest crowd that has ever attended a straight-out trotting meeting in this section of the world. East met west and north met south, both on the track and in the grandstand, and no matter how high the loyalty to the horses from one's home locality ran, the hearty welcome accorded each winner was of the "unanimous" order, for all the world loves a lover, or a good game horse. Time after time as the leaders raced down the stretch the crowd rose as one person to urge their favorites to greater effort.

Spriggan, culled from the MacKenzie stable last December and sold at auction for a measly seven hundred bucks, vanquished in straight heats a field of an even dozen high class trotters whose praises have been sung from coast to coast. Not by a lucky scratch was victory brought to crown the efforts of the youngster in this, the second race of his career, but by superior behavior, true race horse qualities of speed and gameness, and clever handling on the part of his trainer and driver, Will DeRyder. Virginia Barnette, Peter McCormick, McCloskey and Loe Blossom were the most highly regarded quartette in the race, and had there been pool selling or pari-mutuel machines in operation, the profits paid on Spriggan tickets would have been of the regular Standard Oil variety.

McCloskey, the "scapegoat" of last year's M. & M., drew the pole for the initial heat, with Virginia Barnette on the outside and Loe Blossom third or fourth in the first tier. For the first time during the meeting, Starter Updegraff showed a bit of anxiety to get his field away, and gave the word on a rather early score, with a number of horses none too advantageously placed. Loe Blossom, for whom an offer of "way up in the pictures" was refused a few days ago after she had worked the exposition track in 2:06½, broke on the word but settled quickly, Spriggan going to the front in the first quarter, closely followed by Virginia Barnette, with Peter McCormick back in the ruck. Down through the canyon the field shifted a bit, Peter breaking upon throwing a shoe, and Loe Blossom closing up some of her lost ground. It was a case of Spriggan all the way by a length and a half, with Virginia Barnette passing Loe Blossom for place after the latter made a jimtown not far from the wire, McCloskey finishing fourth with San Felipe making a good effort for a piece of the five thousand dollars that went to the heat. In the stretch the Shuler trotter again left his feet and finished ninth.

Now while all the horsemen present and very many of the general public as well knew that Spriggan was not trotting outside of his capacity, as previously evidenced in his work, and also were aware from his race of the preceding Saturday, that he had the best of manners and general racing demeanor for a youngster, few if any rated him as a really serious menace to that several thousand which was to go to the winner, even after he had made such a runaway affair of the first heat. So much more had been expected of various other entrants that people simply could not make up their minds that they would all fall short of the form that they should properly display.

The personal ideas of the spectators had no effect upon the course pursued by DeRyder and Spriggan. Loe Blossom was a bit unruly in the score and the field made several trips up and down the stretch before Starter Updegraff was satisfied that everybody was getting a pretty even break, and on the word Spriggan set sail for the front, Peter McCormick dropping into the trail behind him, Loe Blossom breaking before getting out of the first eighth and losing ground that she was never entirely to recover. On the turn McCloskey moved into second position, and at the quarter Peter had dropped back to fourth, Virginia Barnette supplanting him at third. Down the snakentine stretch Peter extended himself a trifle and essayed to improve his position by taking the inside passage but was a little too short in his rush and fell back going into the turn. The quartette in the lead swung into the lane in pretty good order and the drive was on. Gamely Spriggan held his own, and right well did McCloskey and Virginia Barnette respond to the demands made upon them, finishing lapped on the winner at the wire, Peter spoiling his chance by making a break in the stretch, to finish fourth, with Electric Patch leading the balance of the field and Loe Blossom taking the dust that falls to the lot of the eighth horse.

Though the time was slower than in the opening heat, McCloskey and Virginia had crowded the Baron McKinney gelding much closer than they had previously and the spectators confidently expected a new heat winner the next time out. Loe Blossom's followers had for the most part given up her case as a hopeless one for this particular event, but Virginia and McCloskey didn't seem much worried by their performances; Peter McCormick was apparently on the improve, and there were others in evidence that were by no means bad trotters, as nothing had been distanced after the first heat. It seemed an odds-on proposition that Spriggan would "have his troubles" when it came to getting away with the third heat, and it was by the narrowest of margins that their expectations fell short of fulfillment.

Again the scoring was repeated, Durfee taking Virginia Barnette out in front to the quarter, closely followed by Spriggan, Baby Doll and Peter McCormick, the Borden mare being one that had so far failed to figure in the money. Going into Hungry Hollow Spriggan again assumed the brunt of the battle and led around the turn and into the lane with Peter McCormick second. Nearing the three-quarters DeRyder drew away a bit from Shuler, but once flattened away for home the big son of Peter the Great began closing up like a winner. On they came, McCormick's giant strides "eating up the ground" in a wonderful fashion that promised to land him winner by a safe margin, but what seemed a bit of over-anxiety on Shuler's part sent the big fellow off his feet at the distance, causing him to lose nearly a length. At that, he settled and made another rush that carried him once more to nearly even terms, Spriggan's win being by a matter of inches only. So fast was Peter coming that three feet past the wire he was in the lead, but at the wire is where they pay off, and the greatest trotting race of the season, at least until the scene of battle shifts again to the exposition track in November, had passed into history. Virginia, next to the winner, trotted the most consistent race of the money winners and finished third in the last heat, Baby Doll out-trotting the balance of the field and standing for a share in the heat money. In the cutting of the five thousand that went according to the rank in the summary, Peter and McCloskey, each credited with a second, a fourth and a ninth, divided third and fourth money. Of the twelve starters, ten finished the race, the flagman's activities being confined to the first heat and some very acceptable performances were credited to various horses that failed to land in the money, some of them short of work and others a bit off their best form from various ungovernable causes. Many a day will pass before the scenes of Spriggan's victory fade from the memories of those who witnessed the event, and when many of the same horses meet again in the fall interest will run to a still higher pitch.

Second in importance to the rich trotting stake on the day's card was the five thousand dollar free-for-all pace which brought together a field of nine classy wigglers, a number of them scheduled for another meeting in the 2:06 stake on Saturday. Jim Logan 2:01¾, the coast champion who was expected to be among the first two or three horses at the wire in the finish of each heat, was drawn owing to lameness and The Beaver took his afternoon in the barn, having already made two appearances in hot company in the preceding seven days. Leata J., with Frankie Childs occupying the old familiar place on the hurricane deck, had the largest following in the grandstand, and conjecture concerning the condition of Dr. Burns Jr. was on every tongue. Given all around normal circumstances, the Doctor was the real old wolf for the pack, but he had been more or less ouchy ever since coming to the local track—and before—and his was an uncertain case.

Joe Patchen II, piloted by his old teamster, Will Fleming, had the little ball fall to his lot when Judge Flaws juggled the pool jug, the Doctor drawing a good place and White Sox falling heir to the position occupied in the big trot by Virginia Barnette—outside in the first tier. Little Bernice, with Ben Walker up, disfigured a couple of scores, while some of the boys displayed an eagerness to head the pole horse that elicited a bit of caution from the starter. Once away, Joe forged to the front with Homer Mac and Dr. Burns Jr. his closest competitors at the quarter, which was reached in thirty seconds, White Sox repeating her performance of opening day by breaking early in the mile. Through the back stretch the leaders raced as though the wind were with them rather than square against them, Homer Mac having a slight lead at the half in 1:00¾, with Joe, the Doctor and the pride of Stockton following fast in his wake as named. On the turn the Patchen horse began to fade away and Leata came fast on the outside. At the seven-eighths the Doctor passed Homer Mac but could not stave off Leata's rush, the heat going to her in 2:05¼, with Burns second and College Gent driving Homer hard for third, Clara Mac being just outside the money. Walnut Grove had the hard luck to jerk off a shoe and finished behind the flag.

While the Doctor hadn't the steam to beat Leata J. in the first heat and showed a trifle of an inclination to favor his sore finger, he finished pretty stanchly at that and the crowd thought he might yet live up to the bear cat reputation that has been accorded him, but when the horses came out for the second heat, minus Joe Patchen, who had been drawn, the Chicago marvel was noticed to have a much more pronounced nod in his gait. Going away Whitney dropped him in the lee of Homer Mac, White Sox, pacing like a clock, hanging to third position and Leata J. to fourth. Over in the chute the chutes Barney Barnes, designated by Robber Red McDonald as "th' Rid Phisint av th' Narth," began camping on College Gent's hocks and that lad responded with a rush that carried him in front to the head of the stretch, with Sox, Leata and Homer scrapping for the money like the pure strain gamesters they are. Again the Gent and Homer raced for the show position, while in front of them, driven for all there was in them, Leata J. and White Sox raced head-on to the wire, the judges seeing the Berry mare's nose in the lead. Midway of the lower turn the Doctor was seen to falter, and though he came home inside the flag, for him a darker curtain had fallen. Fast as he ever was, strong in heart as only a great horse may be, trying to the end, the overtaxed ligaments had given way when he seemed due for the greatest winnings of his career and he was taken to his stable, not to reappear during the day. He has a very bad leg, and if he ever starts again in anything like his old time form it will be a modern miracle.

Now after Leata J. upset all the winter dope by beating Dr. Burns in the first heat, and White Sox had proceeded to smear the spilled mess all over the course in the second heat, Clara Mac went 'em one better in the third and final time out. The fence that the fighting leaders had built in front of him in the first heats had kept Dowling from getting through to a position from which he could do any better than finish barely outside the money, but in the last heat the opening came and the sensation of 1914 proved that she still had the sizz and spunk that made her so formidable in her first campaign. White Sox, evidently benefitted by having a few fast miles in company thrown under her belt, again went away on a steady pace and showed the way to the quarter with Leata and Homer Mac at her heels. At the three-eighths Homer took the lead and the inside channel was unoccupied, giving Dowling the chance he had been awaiting. Down past the leaders the black mare whizzed at a merry clip, College Gent answering to Barney's call and making a substantial gain. Around the turn Clara led a well bunched cluster of the wigglers, and in the stretch was waged a



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battle royal. Clara on the pole, the Gent in the center and Leata in her customary place on the outside. The outside pair came with a tremendous rush, but Dowling was not to be denied and shoved Clara across the line a winner, with the Canadian entry nosing out Leata for place, White Sox outlasting Homer Mac. It was a great finish and one the crowd heartily approved.

Brutus, S. Christenson's big gelding by Strathway, won the 2:30 club trot handily after dropping the second heat to Eloise Dell, trotting a very nice race throughout. Sandy Smith went gunning with the distance artillery right from the start of this race, scoring a double in each of the first two heats and leaving but three horses to contest the final awards. The day's details:

San Francisco, Saturday, June 12, 1915.
2:30 trot, driving club, $1,000:

Brutus, b g by Strathway 2:19—Minnie C. by Mendocino 2:19½ .....(Christenson) 1 2 1
Eloise Dell, br m by Alconda Jay—Lovely Dell by Prince Lovelace .....(Silva) 4 1 2
California B., b g by Athasham 2:09¼—Bessie by Botsford .....(Bob Smith) 2 3 3
Brideye, ro g by Birdman—Birdie by Jay Bird .....(Cambatalade) 3 ds
Horseshoe Boy, br g by Del Coronado 2:09½—Daughter of Wilkie Knox 2:10¾.....(Hanks) 5 ds
Howard's Comet, b g by Teddy Ray—Campain Mare by Campain .....(Howard) ds
Muggins, ch g by Jack Hawkins Jr...(H. Cohen) ds
Time—:32¼, 1:07 , 1:43 , 2:15¼
:32 , 1:06¾, 1:42¾, 2:14¾
:32½, 1:07½, 1:42¾, 2:16½

Distribution of purse—Brutus $437.50, Eloise Dell $275, California B. $175, Birdeye $37.50, Association $75.

2:10 trot, purse $20,000:

Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney 2:10¼—Helen Simmons 2:11¾ by Simmons 2:28 (Will DeRyder) 1 1 1
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr 2:07¼ by Zombro 2:11.....(W. G. Durfee) 2 3 3
*Peter McCormick, br h by Peter the Great 2:07¼—Pearl Cecil by Cecil W. 2:28½.....(V. L. Shuler) 9 4 2
*McCloskey, br g by Theodosius 2:18½—Maggie C. by Odd Socks 2:20½.....(McDonald) 4 2 9
Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide—Lillian W. by Harry Hontas 2:24¼.....(Frank Childs) 3 8 5
Baby Doll, b m by Tom Smith 2:13¼—Kate Lumry 2:20½ by Shadeland Onward 2:18½ (Quinn) 8 7 4
Electric Patch, bl h by Dan Patch 1:55¾—Zella Directum by Directum 2:05¼.....(Macey) 7 5 6
San Felipe, b g by Zombro 2:11—Ella J. by Bob Mason 2:27¼ .....(C. A. Durfee) 5 6 8
Kid Cupid, ch g by Cupid 2:18—Zarina 2:13¾ by Dexter Prince .....(Daniels) 6 9 7
John Mack, b g by George A. Fuller 2:08¼—Ida Purple 2:14½ by Cutting 2:10½.....(McQuitty) 10 10 10
Kinney de Lopez, ch h by Kinney Lou 2:07¾—Betsey Direct 2:25¾ by Direct 2:05½.(Blackwell) ds
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby 2:20 .....(Spencer) ds
*Divide third and fourth money of portion of purse awarded according to rank in the summary.
Time—:31 , 1:05 , 1:37½, 2:08¼
:31¾, 1:05½, 1:39 , 2:09½
:31 , 1:04½, 1:37 , 2:08½

Distribution of purse—Spriggan $10,000, Virginia Barnette $4000, Peter McCormick $2375, McCloskey $2375, Loe Blossom $750, Baby Doll $500.

Free-for-all pace, purse $5,000:

Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney 2:29¾—Geraldine 2:16¾ by Mount Vernon 2:15½ (Frank Childs) 1 2 3
White Sox, b m by Del Coronado 2:09½—Subito by Steinway 2:25¾ .....(W. G. Durfee) 7 1 4
Clara Mac, br m by Expressive Mac 2:25½—Clara by Howard St. Clair 2:18.....(Dowling) 5 5 1
College Gent, bl h by Kentucky Patterson—Belle H. by Senator Crisp.....(Barnes) 4 4 2
Homer Mac, b h by Petigru 2:10½—Eagletta 2:11½ by Ketchum 2:16¼.....(Stewart) 3 3 6
Little Bernice, b m by Del Coronado 2:09½—Pearl Pointer by Sky Pointer.....(Walker) 8 6 5
Dr. Burns Jr., b h by Dr. Burns—Topsy by Jesse Pennington .....(Whitney) 2 7 dr
Joe Patchen II, b h by Joe Patchen 2:01½—Bessie Bonehill 2:05¾ by Empire Wilkes 2:29¼ .....(Fleming) 6 dr
Walnut Grove, bl h by Constantine 2:12½—Lindis by Jackdaw 2:28¼.....(Ruthven) ds
Time—:30 , 1:00¾, 1:34¾, 2:05¾
:31 , 1:03½, 1:35¾, 2:06
:31 , 1:03½, 1:36½, 2:06¾

Distribution of purse—Leata J. $1750, White Sox $1062.50, Clara Mac $812.50, College Gent $687.50, Homer Mac $375, Dr. Burns Jr. $312.50.

Seventh Day.

Tuesday, June 15—The last week of the exposition trots was ushered in today with a card of three events, two of them for amateurs, that furnished a good deal of entertainment for the moderate crowd that was on hand.

The 2:14 trot for amateurs brought out a fair field of the matinee "standbys" with a pair of Sacramento valley trotters, Bonnie Ansel and Eloise Dell, to whom fell the long end of the money. Matawan had his usual difficulties in getting away and was lengths behind his field when the start was finally made. Eloise Dell broke before reaching the eighth and Bodaker forged to the front, with Bonnie Ansel second and Copper the Ore, who was laboring considerably with a lame leg, third at the quarter, Ottinger moving her up to second position before reaching the half. Around the short turn Bonnie Ansel trotted wide, but had the legs of the party by some seconds, apparently, and won by a comfortable margin, Bodaker passing Copper the Ore several lengths from the wire. Matawan beat the flag by trotting a good heat after he once settled, but a second dose of bad acting in the next heat put him out of the contest. After the first time around, the big Prince Ansel mare won as she pleased, never being in danger and not making a mistake. Bodaker had hard luck in the second, owing to his harness slipping back shortly after passing the half and causing Chris to have to pull him up to avoid a serious accident, and in the final heat Graham Bellini added to the variety of the program by an unsensational but determined runaway in scoring, going clear around.

Frank Perry, with Bob Smith in the sulky, was the hot tip for the amateur pace, but the yearling champion failed to deliver. Perry drew the pole but W. J. K. assumed the lead before reaching the quarter and was never headed, leading into the stretch with Trix McAdrian second and Perry third, the latter outfooting the Stockton mare before the finish was reached. Silva with Bondalean, the three-year-old son of The Bondsman and Katalina 2:11¼ that was the contending colt in the two-year-old pacing division of the Breeders futurity in 1914, came around on the outside at the head of the stretch and was coming fast when a break spoiled his chance to finish better than fourth.

Cohen took Trix McAdrian in front past the quarter in the second heat, surrendering it down the stretch to W. J. K., the leaders being well bunched at the half. This time Silva had the speed and the behavior as well, and won by a pronounced margin with the fast three-year-old, W. J. K. beating Perry for place in a drive that brought applause from the stand. Mabel Dillon spoiled a score or two in the final heat and when the word was given the pole horse was hardly on even terms with his field, both Trix McAdrian and Frank Perry beating him to the quarter. Past the three-eighths the Sidney Dillon mare took to the front and led into the stretch, Bondalean and Perry being her nearest competitors. Again Bondalean finished well and annexed first position by a nice drive. He is in the fall stakes and shows much more class than the three-year-old pacers that were in evidence here last week.

O. U. C., distanced twice during the present meeting, redeemed himself today by pacing three faultless miles, the speed formerly displayed and his behavior this afternoon going far toward re-establishing him in the estimation of the local race goers. A. B. C. drew the pole, but before reaching the eighth the C. the Limit gelding took to the front and stayed there, with his alphabetical rival and Potrero Boy second and third at the quarter. On the first turn Madam Mac, for whom it was the first appearance this year in company, made a break that cost her a good deal of ground, though she made up sufficient to save her distance by pacing a merry three quarters. In the stretch Potrero Boy made a game attempt for the lead and was beaten by only a head, the pair coming the final quarter at a two-minute clip.

After this performance the big Demonio gelding was figured as a dangerous proposition, and Daniels went after the heat from the start, crowding O. U. C. to the half in time two seconds faster than formerly, closely followed by Hedgewood Patchen, with A. B. C. some lengths back and Madam Mac out of the running owing to another break on the turn. At the three-quarters the trio of leaders was well bunched and some lengths from the wire Potrero Boy was almost on even terms with O. U. C. when he left his feet, the Bailey gelding winning in 2:07½, a new record for him by a full second. Owing to a break by the Boy at the quarter in the final heat, Childs had things his own way in slower time, Hedgewood Patchen being the nearest contender. The summary:

San Francisco, Tuesday, June 15, 1915.
2:14 trot, amateur, purse $1000:

Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby 2:20 .....(Brown) 1 1 1
Eloise Dell, br m by Alconda Jay—Princess Dell by Prince Lovelace.....(Silva) 4 2 2
Muggins, ch g by Jack Hawkins Jr.....(Cohen) 5 3 3
Graham Bellini, b h by Bellini 2:13¼—Gracie Onward 2:12 by Onward 2:25¼.....(Machado) 6 4 ds
Bodaker, rn h by Antrim—Birdie by Jay Bird .....(Christenson) 2 ds
Copper the Ore, bl m by Direct Heir—May Kinney by Silkwood 2:07.....(Ottinger) 3 ds
Matawan, br g by Athadon 2:27—Cora Wickersham by Junio 2:22 .....(Ahlers) 7 ds
Time—:33½, 1:09½, 1:45 , 2:17½
:33 , 1:08 , 1:42½, 2:16½
:34 , 1:09 , 1:43½, 2:18¼

Distribution of purse—Bonnie Ansel $500, Eloise Dell $212.50, Muggins $112.50, Bodaker $62.50, Copper the Ore $37.50, Graham Bellini $25, Association $50.

2:20 pace, amateur, purse $1000:

Bondalean, b h by The Bondsman—Katalina 2:11½ by Tom Smith 2:13¼.....(Silva) 4 1 1
W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince—Psyche.....(W. Smith) 1 2 4
Frank Perry, b g by Toddington 2:20—Lilworthy by Axworthy (3) 2:15½.....(Bob Smith) 2 3 3
Mabel Dillon, ch m by Sidney Dillon—Palo Belle 2:24½ by Palo Alto 2:08¾.....(Becker) 6 4 2
Trix McAdrian, br m by McAdrian 2:24—Mountain Girl by Mountain Boy.....(Cohen) 3 6 8
Bradmont, b g by Alto Leyburn 2:24½—by The Earlmont 2:09¾.....(Sexton) 7 5 5
Power Patch, b h by Dan Patch 1:55¼—Effie Powers 2:08¼ by Anderson Wilkes 2:22¼ .....(Savage) 8 7 6
Jim Donnelly, b g by Lijero 2:15½—Pearl Sinclair by Hanford Medium 2:11¼.....(Wright) 10 8 7
Jack, bl g, breeding not given.....(McDonnell) 5 ds
Casey Jones, b g by Welcome 2:10½—Elsie P. 2:24 .....(Boyle) 9 ds
Time—:31¾, 1:05¾, 1:41 , 2:12¼
:33 , 1:06 , 1:40 , 2:12½
:31½, 1:06¼, 1:39 , 2:11¾

Distribution of purse—Bondalean $400, W. J. K. $275, Frank Perry $175, Mabel Dillon $112.50, Trix McAdrian $37.50.

2:20 pace, purse $2000:

O. U. C., b g by C. the Limit 2:03¼—Rosie Woodburn 2:16 by Easter Wilkes.....(Frank Childs) 1 1 1
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio 2:11¼—Potrero Girl by Prince Airlie .....(Daniels) 2 2 4
Hedgewood Patchen, ch g by Hedgewood Boy 2:01—Lady Patchen 2:29¼ by The Patchen Boy 2:10¾ .....(McDonald) 4 3 2



A PART OF THE CROWD AT SATURDAY'S RACES

A. B. C., bl g by Young Monterey 2:24¼—Rosalie by Dudley 2:14 .....(Chadbourne) 3 4 3
Madac Mac, br m by Expressive Mac 2:25½—Hawthorne .....(Chas. DeRyder) 5 ds
Time—:31½, 1:06 , 1:38½, 2:08¼
:31½, 1:04 , 1:37 , 2:07½
:31½, 1:05½, 1:38½, 2:10¼

Distribution of purse—O. U. C. $1000, Potrero Boy $425, Hedgewood Patchen $325, A. B. C. $250.

Eighth Day.

Wednesday, June 16—Today's card was one of the "weak sisters" of the meeting, owing to the failure of the 2:13 pace to fill and a dearth of starters for the two-year-old pace, only two appearing for this event, for which there were originally eleven nominations. May May, the Fresno filly owned by F. B. Stockdale and trained and driven by Abe Reynolds, drew down the major portion of the purse, Judith Patch having the misfortune to pick up a nail in the first heat. Nevertheless, the little lassie from the 1:55 establishment won the second heat in standard time, though her injury caused her to weaken in the third, May May not being forced to go either of her winning heats in time that would put her in the list. Judith's performance gives the parent association's compilers a few minutes of extra work, as she is the first performer for her sire, the phenomenally fast Dazzle Patch 2:09¾, trial 2:02¼, as well as for her dam, the good race mare Hal Raven 2:03¾ by Hal B. 2:04½. This is not the first instance of damage to high priced horseflesh through the presence of nails on the track, left as unwelcome souvenirs of the auto races, as two or three such unfortunate accidents have occurred.

The ladies' race, carded as the day's special event, created much interest for the spectators and the fair teamsters did highly creditable service in piloting their candidates over the course, going the three heats right around the 2:20 mark. Mrs. Hugh Boyle, with Princess Louise, won the first heat after Jerry D. had left his feet under Mrs. Becker's urging, but the latter retaliated the next time out by carrying

Mrs. Boyle's mare to a break, winning the third as well. Ida M. and Silkworthy, driven by Mrs. Payne and Miss Frellson, respectively, went nice races and qualified as real "ladies' horses" by their behavior.

In the only professional event for aged horses, Lon McDonald put Adbell M. over the line a winner in straight heats, trotting the second in time barely outside the charmed circle, and but a half second removed from the youngster's three-year-old time record of 2:09¾ made last year at North Randall. Lon has a world of regard for this lad, as ten years ago this fall he drove his dam, Miss Adbell (3) 2:09¾, to victory in the rich Kentucky futurity, defeating a field of eight good juvenile trotters. Today the Moko horse looked capable of trotting considerably faster had it been necessary, and was never in serious difficulties. Tom Smith was the nearest contender, but Thomas was handicapped by an old lameness and could not do the occasion real justice. Will Ivey drove Moko Hall to third money over John Gwynne, the flag catching the other starters the second heat. The day's results:

San Francisco, Wednesday, June 16, 1915.
Two-year-old pace, purse $2,000:

May May, br f by Athasham 2:09¼—Guide Alee-tice by California Guide.....(Reynolds)	1	2	1
Judith Patch, b f by Dazzle Patch 2:09¼—Hal Raven 2:03¾ by Hal B. 2:04½.....(Macey)	2	1	2

Time—:37 , 1:19 , 1:58 , 2:31
:36 , 1:13 , 1:50 , 2:25
:38¼, 1:18 , 1:52 , 2:29

2:12 trot, purse $2,000:

Adbell M., b h by Moko—Miss Adbell (3) 2:09¾ by Adbell (1) 2:23.....(McDonald)	1	1	1
Tom Smith, br g by Greenroi—Specks by Conrad .....(Marvin Childs)	2	2	2
Moko Hall, br h by Walnut Hall 2:08¼—Daisy Wilkes by Moko .....(Ivey)	3	3	3
John Gwynne, b g by McMyrtle—Daughter of Secretary .....(Lawrence Shuler)	4	4	4
Monica McKinney, ch m by Ed McKinney—Judy McKinney by McKinney 2:11¼.....(Hoffman)	5	ds	
John Mack, b g by Geo. A. Fuller 2:08¼—Ida Purple 2:14½ by Cutting 2:10½.....(McQuitty)	6	ds	

Time—:33 , 1:07 , 1:40¼, 2:13¼
:32 , 1:05¼, 1:38¾, 2:10¼
:32½, 1:06 , 1:40½, 2:12¼

Distribution of purse—Adbell M. $1000, Tom Smith $500, Moko Hall $300, John Gwynne $200.
Novelty trot, lady drivers:

Jerry D., b g.....(Mrs. Becker)	3	1	1
Princess Louise, b m.....(Mrs. Boyle)	1	2	2
Ida M., b m.....(Mrs. Payne)	2	3	3
Silkworthy, b g.....(Miss Frellson)	4	4	4

Time—2:22½, 2:20, 2:20.

Ninth Day.

Thursday, June 17—Today was another "quiet one" at the exposition track, the threatening weather and an unattractive card on yesterday coupling to keep the attendance at a very modest figure. The vacancy in the original program caused by the failure of the 2:17 trot to fill was bridged over by putting on a special trot for club members, a sulky being offered to the winner, the event being most noteworthy as witnessing the return to activity of ex-president J. J. (Jimmy) Ryan of the old San Francisco Driving Club, who yet carries a stiff leg as a result of a mishap last summer at the stadium. St. Patrick, Jimmy's Irish trotter, had a lot of support from his friends and won the first heat by a narrow margin from Brutus, each horse having at different moments the best of the stretch duel and the result being in doubt right up to the last few yards. In the following heats the big Strathway gelding driven by Christenson won as he pleased, St. Patrick having the hard luck to cast a shoe in each case.

Leata J. had it over her field in every way in the free-for-all pace for amateur drivers, the junior teamster of the Jones family driving her to an easy victory in straight heats, with Dick W. and W. J. K. second and third respectively. John Malcolm, who made his first appearance since his two-year-old form, when he hung up the then world's record for pacing geldings, showed he could pace very fast but was unsteady, standstill breaks causing him to be shut out in the last heat, after he had barely "saved his bacon" in the second.

Spriggan added to his bank balance today in his last engagement at the present meeting by winning the 2:20 trot, though like Rip Van Winkle, he was a lucky man to get away with it. As usual, DeRyder's luck held in the position allotment and the pole fell to him, giving him the opportunity he looked for—to go away winner from the start. Just under the wire, with the word "go" barely past the starter's lips, Loe Blossom left her feet, Agnes Carter following suit a few seconds later, and Spriggan shot out like a scared rabbit before a pack of hounds, opening up a lead of several lengths before passing the quarter. Without waiting for company DeRyder took his gelding on for a still better lead, and came under the wire lengths to the good, distancing Baron Todd and Agnes Carter. Whether Will thought he was riding himself of Loe Blossom's company or whether he was "in" with the association for a cut on the two hundred bucks his drive saved them is not known, but he certainly made a runaway procession of that first heat. Loe finished strong and trotted a much better race the next time out and nearly nipped the decision in the stretch brush, so that she had support for the final contest. Going away Childs dropped her into the trail of Spriggan, with Tropic Dawn lapped outside around the turn, the trio going to the quarter at a 2:08 clip. Down through Poverty Flat Childs began driving up on the inside and the mare broke but settled much more handily than usual. In the stretch it looked like Spriggan to past the seven-eighths, when Childs took out and easily outbrushed the bay fellow, who stood a rousing drive but could not stave off the rush of the chestnut lass.

The afternoon in detail follows:

San Francisco, June 17, 1915.
Free-for-all pace, amateur, purse $1,000:

Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney 2:29¾—Geraldine 2:16¾ by Mount Vernon 2:15½...(Jones)	1	1	1
Dick W., b g by Athadon 2:27.....(Ottinger and Becker)	4	2	2
W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince—Psyche (Smith)	2	3	3
John Malcolm, br g by Dan Logan 2:07¼—Susie Miller by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½.....(Silva)	3	4	ds

Time—:31¾, 1:04½, 1:38 , 2:11
:33¼, 1:05¾, 1:42¼, 2:13½
:32¾, 1:05½, 1:40½, 2:11¾

Distribution of purse—Leata J. $500, Dick W. $213.50, W. J. K. $175, John Malcolm $62.50, Association $50.
2:20 trot, purse $2,000:

Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney 2:10¼—Helen Simmons 2:11¾ by Simmons 2:28.....(Will DeRyder)	1	1	2
Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide—Lillian W. by Harry Hontas 2:24¼.....(Frank Childs)	3	2	1
Tropic Dawn, br m by Symboleer 2:09½—Panadora by Allerton 2:09¼.....(Fleming)	3	2	3
Baron Todd, br h by Todd—Baroness Rosalind by Baron Wilkes 2:18.....(McDonald)	ds		
Agnes Carter, b m by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½—Excella by Monbells 2:23¾.....(Schwartz)	ds		

Time—:32¼, 1:05¾, 1:38½, 2:11
:32¼, 1:05½, 1:38¼, 2:09¼
:32 , 1:04 , 1:37½, 2:09¼

Distribution of purse—Spriggan $875, Loe Blossom $575, Tropic Dawn $350, Association $200.
Special trot, driving club, trophy:

Brutus, b g by Strathway 2:19—Minnie C. by Mendocino 2:19½ .....(Christenson)	2	1	1
St. Patrick, b g by Direcho—Florence by Zombro 2:11 .....(Ryan)	1	3	3
Monica McKinney, ch m by Ed McKinney—Judy McKinney by McKinney 2:11¼.....(Hoffman)	3	2	2
Ateka, b m by Athasham 2:09¼—Bessie by Botsford .....(Becker)	ds		

Time—:33¼, 1:08¼, 1:44¾, 2:16½
:34 , 1:08¼, 1:44 , 2:18
:34¾, 1:10¼, 1:46 , 2:20¼

A TRAINER'S RISE TO FORTUNE.

Ever hear of a harness horse trainer making over $100,000 in two months? No.? Well—it's true, nevertheless!—no Arabian Knights tale, no dream, but pure, unadulterated fact, writes Joe Markey in the Horse Review.

Tilman Anderson, formerly of Sikeston, Mo., but whose address is now Memphis, Tenn., is the hero of this extraordinary financial coup.

That great American attribute termed "nerve" was his only asset on November 1, last, and here's the story of what came of it—and, as stated, it's a true one, requiring no garnish or embellishment to make it a most thrilling adventure in high finance.

Last fall after the racing season closed, Anderson shipped some cotton field mules from Missouri down to Memphis, but there was no sale there for them. The south, because of the European war and the fact that her great staple was without a market, was in sore financial straits. "Buy a bale of cotton!" was the suppliant word sent to the north; a plea for aid to tide over the almost insupportable misfortunes that the war had brought about.

Anderson, it developed, was worse off than "broke," for the hybrids were not only unsalable but were eating their heads off, so to speak, into the bargain. Just at that moment, it happened, a Canadian friend of the trainer's wrote him that he had learned from reliable sources that a number of French army officers were about to arrive in New York to purchase horses for their government. And now I will tell the facts as Anderson gave them to me last week when he visited the Review office, en route from Memphis with a stable of horses which he will race on the Cedar Valley Circuit.

"I got to thinking about the contents of the letter and, after reading it over several times, I made up my mind to go to New York and confer with the French consul. As you may imagine, he is a busy man and a difficult one to get an interview with. But I took my nerve with me, sent in my card, and after a long wait was admitted. After introductions he asked me if I could furnish 2,000 horses within the next ten days, and I unhesitatingly replied that I certainly could.

" 'The horses must be delivered in New Orleans,' the consul added, 'freight paid, and we will there settle when they are turned over to us.'

Anderson laughed heartily in recalling the incident.

"With 2,000 horses at ten cents apiece," he said, "I could have bought them only on the installment plan.

"After we had reached an agreement as to my commission, etc., the consul turned to me, saying, 'Mr. Anderson, everything seems to be satisfactory, but we are not acquainted with you and you have brought no recommendations.'

"For an instant I was stumped, but I happened to remember that I had in my pocket a letter from a congressman friend of mine—it referred to politics and was not of a business nature. As a last resort I sprang it on the official and told him that I would have the congressman meet the French ambassador in Washington. This I arranged by wire and to the entire satisfaction of the consul. Next day I boarded the train, accompanied by three inspectors, in my pocket an order for 2,000 horses and in my mind many doubts as to how I was going to procure them, broke as I was. I was buoyed up, however, by the thought that since I had nothing I couldn't possibly lose anything.

"I got busy when I reached Memphis; went to all the local dealers and wired others for horses. In a few days they began to come in and within a week I had about 800 collected and passed by the inspectors. I had hired a large section of the stock yards on credit, mind you, and about this time my troubles began. The dealers hadn't received a cent and were clamoring for their pay. I took my nerve with me and called upon a banker, showing him my contract with the French government and putting up a stiff talk. After a great deal of quibbling I finally got him to stake me to the extent of nearly $100,000. And, by the way, if you imagine that it's a soft proposition to pull a deal like that with a banker, just try it!

"I had stretched my credit to the limit and the man of finance was beginning to have cold feet. It was getting on his nerves, and I couldn't blame him either. But I wasn't to the half-mile post yet.

"The next thing I did, therefore, was to get the Illinois Central R. R. to ship the 800 horses to New Orleans and turn them over to the consul there without a penny being paid on the $1,750 freight bill—but I talked them into it, just the same.

"The horses were immediately loaded and the vessel put to sea. I assumed that the government would honor the draft at once, but I had not counted on red tape and other contingencies that came up. It was eight mortal days before I could even hear from anyone in authority! Meantime, the banker was sweating blood and I was walking the floor. But this was not all. I had 1,150 more horses in my pens and the dealers and owners were screaming for their pay. You see, the banker very naturally refused to give me any more credit and so I had this second herd of horses in my possession, and hadn't paid a nickel on them. To sweeten things up, the papers got onto how matters stood with me at that critical moment, and they took a hand. They expressed admiration for my nerve, but implied that I was about to place myself at the head of the world's great horse thieves.

"I knew that my intentions were good; but what could I do? Towards the end of the eight-day period those dealers were simply thirsting for my blood! They hounded the life out of me and even at night the telephone in my room was sizzling with angry messages and warnings about every half hour. I wasn't more than half alive, but I made up my mind to fight it out and pull it through.

"I had stood for hours on the morning on that eighth day at the corner of Main and Madison streets, watching every telegraph boy that passed, hoping that they would turn into my bank bearing glad tidings. I didn't dare enter that bank, for reasons that you may imagine. Finally I saw a boy turn into the bank and I followed him. Sure enough, it was instructions from New York that my draft had been honored. It seems that the delay was due to the consuls at New York and New Orleans quibbling as to which should O. K. the draft.

"Was the banker pleased?

"Was I pleased?

"Rather! He almost embraced me in his enthusiasm. Taking me into his private office he remarked, 'Anderson, I have heard of financiers, have known desperate adventurers in money matters, but you are the king pin of them all, and I want to take my hat off to you.'

"With this turn of events, the very dealers that were fiercest against me wanted to take me to their bosoms. Several of them were Jews and they were especially strong in spreading on the salve.

"Right in the midst of my troubles I had ordered a seven-passenger auto—just called up the dealer and told him to send one down and that I would drop in and settle. Strange enough, he took the order, and after I got my money I went in and handed him a cheque. He smiled and remarked: 'I heard all about your troubles, but I thought you would come out all right in the end, so I didn't bother you.' I call him a game man!

"To the end of the story, I shipped 10,000 horses in two months, and it was said that they were the best lot purchased for the Allies. After paying freight, feed, etc., I averaged about $12 per head profit. So, you see, I cleaned up quite a sum, considering that I had nothing to invest but my nerve. I want to say, though, that this, my sole asset, came very near going back on me more than once."

Tim Sexton has sold to Will Durfee the two-year-old filly Lucretia Bond by The Bondsman—Lucretia 2:13¼, bred by the late Colonel Kirkpatrick. She is a nice gaited, good headed lass and is entered in the customary coast classics, of which the Colonel was a constant patron.

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John W. Considine arrived in the city early in the week from an eastern trip that included a visit at Lexington, where his youngsters in the Hunter Moody stable are working famously and causing a deal of favorable comment from railbirds and turf scribes. Mr. Burnett having been compelled to return to Denver, Mr. Considine has served in his stead in the judge's stand at the P.-P. I. E. races.

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Among the visitors at the exposition trots of late is a gentleman from New Zealand who is not unknown to Californians, Mr. Freeman Holmes. Some five years ago Mr. Holmes paid us a visit and in company with the late Wm. G. Layng inspected many of the nearby training and breeding plants, purchasing from C. L. Griffiths of Pleasanton the mare Bonnie Jennie by Bonnie Direct 2:05¼, dam Jennie McK. 2:09 by McKinney 2:11¼, and her foal by Star Pointer 1:59¼. Mr. Holmes had good luck with this venture, as both mares have proven good winners in fair time in New Zealand.

SUNDAY'S MATINEE.

Six events, in all but one of which two or more heat winners developed, furnished a full afternoon for the matinee goers Sunday at the exposition track, competition throughout the various races being of the keenest kind. St. Thomas, Dick Roberts' rugged trotter, won the first race after dropping one heat to the daintier Valeen M., while Greatness, Eugene Cerciat's good three-year-old pacer, won the last two heats of her event in excellent style. Bill Jones, Leata J.'s stable mate, captured the free-for-all trot for Dan Hoffman after a good tussle with Salinas Star and St. Patrick, and Vera Hal found Dick W. "pretty fair pickings," though losing one heat to him through a break. Zorankin, Hamburg Belle and Tom Murphy each won a heat in the 2:12 pace, but Zorankin was the most consistent of the trio and headed the summary. Hello Girl, making her first start for the season, defeated Golden Buck in straight heats. The summary:

First Race—2:24 trot.

St. Thomas	(R. Roberts)	1	2	1
Valeen M.	(E. M. Doyle)	2	1	4
Laddie G.	(Jack Holland)	3	3	3
Minnequa	(M. Ford)	6	6	2
Ella Wilkes	(C. Borromeo)	5	4	5
Silkworthy	(Dr. Anderson)	7	5	d
General Villa	(J. D. Johnstone)	4	4	d

Time—2:22, 2:25, 2:23¼.

Second Race—2:15 pace:

Greatness	(E. Cerciat)	2	1	1
King Pointer	(H. Campodonico)	1	2	3
J. C. Simpson	(F. Goularte)	8	3	2
Marie Fitzsimmons	(J. W. Swank)	3	4	4
Emma M.	(William Malough)	6	5	5
Little Dick	(G. Erebout)	5	6	7
Jerry D.	(L. A. Bangs)	4	7	6
William Tell	(R. Roberts)	7	8	8

Time—2:14¾, 2:15¼, 2:17.

Third Race—Free-for-all trot:

Bill Jones	(D. E. Hoffman)	3	1	1
Salinas Star	(J. J. Cornett)	1	3	2
St. Patrick	(J. J. Ryan)	2	2	3
Ida M.	(H. Boyle)	4	4	4

Time—2:19, 2:20, 2:17.

Fourth Race—Free-for-all pace:

Vera Hal	(H. Cohen)	1	2	1
Dick W.	(A. Ottinger)	2	1	2

Time—2:12, 2:11, 2:12.

Fifth Race—2:12 pace:

Zorankin	(H. Boyle)	1	3	3
Hamburg Belle	(J. Ginocchio)	3	1	5
Tom Murphy	(E. Ayres)	5	5	1
Decoto Boy	(F. Goularte)	4	2	2
Delilah	(J. C. Welsh)	2	4	4

Time—2:16, 2:15¾.

Sixth Race—2:20 pace:

Hello Girl	(R. Kehoe)	1	1	1
Golden Buck	(W. G. Walkup)	2	2	2
J. V.	(J. Vermet)	3	3	3
Pride of Elmhurst	(J. D. Johnstone)	4	4	4

Time—2:22, 2:22½.

NETTIE KING, LEADING LIVING BROOD MARE.

A two-year-old by Atlantic Express 2:08¼, out of Nettie King 2:20¼, entered the list at Lexington last week and she is now the dam of 11 performers, 9 trotters and 2 pacers. Only four mares excel her as a producer of speed, viz.: Bertha, dam of 13; Brown Silk 2:19¼, dam of 13; Chestnut Belle, dam of 13, and Nell, dam of 12. These four mares are all dead so Nettie King is the leading living brood mare. In this connection we might mention that for several years the Year Book figures on Nettie King, in the table of dams, have been incorrect. Volume 30 figures her as the dam of 10 trotters and 2 pacers to the close of 1914. This should read, 8 trotters and 2 pacers, states the Horseman in its current number.

Nettie King still roams the pastures at Hillanddale Farm, Mamaroneck, N. Y., at the age of 28. She did not produce in 1914. We do not know whether she is in foal this year, but in the nature of events her career is almost over. But what a remarkable one it has been! She is the dam of performers whose records range from 2:03¼, 2:04, 2:06½, 2:07¾, 2:10½, 2:12¼, 2:13¼, 2:15½, 2:19½, 2:23½ to 224¼—an average of 2:12¾!

Nettie King is a chestnut mare by Mambrino King 1279 out of Nettie Murphy by Hamlin Patchen. She took her record to high wheels as a four-year-old, driven by Ed Geers. Later she showed a mile in 2:13½ but went wrong and was retired to the Village Farm brood mare ranks. At the Village Farm dispersal in January, 1905, and although 18 years old, she brought $3,000, and was purchased by her present owner. Since then she has produced Bonington 2:06½; King Bellini 2:12¼; Necia (2) 2:13¼; Stella Maris (2) 2:23½ and Natoka 2:24½; so the investment paid dividends. King Bellini, Natoka and Stellar Maris, if they live, may be added to their dam's 2:10 list. Necia was considered one of the fastest of the tribe but died a few weeks after winning the two-year-old trotting division of The Horseman Futurity in world's record time.

The following is a list of the produce of Nettie King:

Bred at Village Farm, East Aurora, N. Y.

	Record
1893—The Abbot, 7, b. g. by Chimes	2:03¼
1896—The Abbess, b. f. by Chimes (died young).	
1897—The Beau Ideal, 7, ch. h. by Dare Devil 2:09, (sire)	2:15½
1898—The Prioress, blk. f. by Lord of the Manor.	
1899—B. c., by Dare Devil 2:09 (died young).	
1900—The Primate, b. c. by Chimes.	
1901—Colt by Chimes (died young).	
1903—The Abbe, 3, blk. c. by Chimes (sire)	2:10½
—The Abbe, 7, also took a record (p)	2:04
1904—Mitre Bearer, 5, b. h. by Chimes (p)	2:19½
1905—The Huguenot, 6, b. g. by Chimes	2:07¾

Bred at Hillanddale Farm, Mamaroneck, N. Y.

1907—King Bellini, 6, b. h. by Bellini 2:13¾	2:12¼
1908—Necia, 2, blk. f., by Bellini 2:13¾	2:13¼
1909—Natoka, 4, b. m. by Baron McKinney 2:10¼	2:24¼
1910—Bonington, 4, ch. c. by Bellini 2:13¼	2:06½
1911—Brown colt by Baron McKinney 2:10¼.	
1913—Stella Maris, 2, br. f. by Atlantic Express 2:08¼	2:23½

(Missed in 1894, 1895, 1906, 1912 and 1914.)

DEATH CLAIMS COLONEL HENSHAW.

Thousands of people throughout California were grieved to learn of the death of Colonel Park Henshaw of Chico, the end coming about half past nine o'clock Saturday evening, June 12. Two years ago in March, while arguing a case in the Superior court at Oroville, the well known attorney suffered a stroke of paralysis of the brain, and while he had recovered to the extent that he was enabled to continue his legal practice, he knew that the end might come at any time, and for a week preceding his death had been in a precarious condition.

Colonel Henshaw, who was nearing his seventieth year, was one of the best known and best loved men of northern California, where he had resided since the middle sixties. As a boy he saw service in the army of the Confederacy, and as a man was one of the great number who attested the unity of former factions by serving as a Colonel of Volunteers in the Spanish-American war, being in command of the post at Benicia at the time of his discharge.

Always an ardent lover of horses and of the sport of racing trotters and pacers, Colonel Henshaw became a member of the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders' Association, and in the years when racing flourished in California campaigned a number of horses with success, his stable being in evidence pretty regularly in the money division at the northern tracks. He stood high in Masonic and other fraternal circles, and few men have held a surer position in the hearts of their neighbors. The remains were interred Monday afternoon at Chico with military honors.

BLUE BULL.

Billy Moore, the Grand Circuit photographer, is a great lover of Blue Bull 75. In a recent conversation he gave us some information which was new to us and which may prove of interest to our readers. Mr. Moore knew Blue Bull very well and used to own a son of that horse.

Queen, the dam of Blue Bull, was bred to Old Sam, the sire of Blue Bull, on a Sunday afternoon in 1854 after she had been ridden across country almost 100 miles. The result was Blue Bull 75.

Blue Bull was a pacer and came to his speed early. In 1863, at eight years, he paced a mile at Cincinnati in 2:30. This was considered fast in those days. The world's pacing record was 2:17½ by Pocahontas, but there were not many pacers then who had ever beaten 2:20. Blue Bull is said to have once paced a half mile under saddle in 1:05.

Blue Bull was a smooth finished horse, with a rather short back, and an exceptionally clean set of legs. He got very few, if any, unsound colts.

Mr. Moore once visited Daniel Dorrell and secured considerable information about Blue Bull and his sire. It was Mr. Dorrell's brother-in-law who bred Blue Bull and sold him to Mr. Dorrell as a three-year-old.

Blue Bull's sire was called Old Sam. He was owned by Mr. Dorrell when Blue Bull was gotten. Mr. Dorrell explained to Mr. Moore how he came to purchase Old Sam. One day in about 1853 Mr. Dorrell was driving or riding to town. His horse was a running mare. He met a neighbor driving the pacer Old Sam. The neighbor proposed that they trade horses. Mr. Dorrell replied that he already had six thoroughbred stallions and did not think he needed another stud. The neighbor proposed that they match their two horses on a nearby straight piece of road. If the running mare won the trade was to be even, but if the pacing horse won Mr. Dorrell was to give $100 to boot.

"It was a standing start," explained Mr. Dorrell. "Sam got off before I did and I never saw a horse pace so fast before. He beat me to the turn in the road and I traded with him, giving $90 to boot—which was all I had."

Mr. Moore asked Mr. Dorrell if the report was true that Old Sam was a claybank (yellow) colored horse with a black stripe down his back and with curly hair. Mr. Dorrell replied that Old Sam was a golden chestnut, with straight hair, but had a stripe down the back. He said he had owned many thoroughbred stallions but Old Sam was the best stallion he ever possessed. "When I rode him a fast quarter," Mr. Dorrell explained, "it made my long hair crackle just the same as though I were riding a runner."

At one time Blue Bull 75 was the leading trotting sire of the world, excelling even Hambletonian 10, but his family did not breed on and is now extinct in the direct male line. The circumstance is one of the shining examples of the uncertainty of breeding.—Horseman.

ABOUT McCLOSKEY 2:06¼.

McCloskey 2:06¼, the peculiarly marked trotting gelding in Lon McDonald's string, has at last graduated from the maiden class and now joins the ranks of race winners in consequence of his victory last Saturday at the exposition, when he annexed first money in the $2,000 event for 2:30 class performers. Three consecutive years, 1912-13-14, the gelded son of Theodosius 2:18½ has been more or less prominently before the public, during which time he took part in twenty-six events without ever once topping the summary, but his hoodoo is now broken and it is to be hoped that he will redeem himself and repay at least in part the great quantity of money which he has separated his owner and supporters from. McCloskey 2:06¼ has indeed been, up to June 5, 1915, a monumental disappointment and financial failure, one of the most disastrous pieces of horseflesh in recent years. Last July when the McDonald string reached Cleveland, word went out that Lon had the greatest collection of speed he ever trained and that his material was real good, particularly Star Winter and McCloskey. Those close in whispered that the latter horse could do everything the Ed Winter 2:12¾ gelding could and then some, consequently when Lon won the 2:15 trot with Duchess 2:07¼; the $3,000 2:10 trot, with Star Winter going the third heat in 2:05, and the 2:09 trot with Oakdale 2:07¼, it looked like he sure did have one mighty classy outfit, and the followers of his stable had more money than pockets to hold it, as they also loaded up heavily on William (4) 2:00 tickets at $500 a throw. Remembering that Star Winter had won his 2:05 heat by a wider margin than the first and second trip, and "feed-box" information was to the effect that the big gelding could trot away and hide from the fast little bay, the demand for cards bearing his name become so strong that the price jumped to $1,000 per. The Pittsburgh crowd, always "lousy" with money, backed Lassie McGregor 2:06¼ at the same price and the coin went in as if the race was over. The result is history, McCloskey couldn't and Lassie wouldn't. The Indianapolis gelding trotted about all the time but did not have within four seconds the speed claimed, while the mare clearly had speed to burn, but when demanded, took to aeroplaning and all the money went to the field players, the ultimate winner, King Clansman 2:06¾, not being supported by his owner or stable followers. Ten more times did McCloskey race in 1914 and ten times did he again prove a failure. Various parties assigned various reasons, some claimed he lacked speed, others that he had speed, but did not like the excitement of a battle; still others said that he did not take kindly to the shipping around and had a poor appetite in consequence of the continual change of scenes; while several close observers imagined that his stroke was too high and choppy, in other words to much of the straight up and down variety and lacking extension, which necessarily made his exertions in going a mile around seven or eight, extremely exhaustive. With even a five or six inch longer stride and the same rapid recovery, several seconds could easily have been added to his speed and likewise a considerable saving of energy. McCloskey 2:06¼, now a race winner, may show marked improvement during his coming campaign and we trust that if he really had any constitutional weakness in the past, that a winter's activity in the warm atmosphere of Phoenix and Los Angeles has benefited him.—American Sportsman.

DUBUQUE ENTRIES.

2:11 trot—Evelyn D., Isaac R. T., The Spartan Queen, Billy Mead, Captain Cacada, Miss Densmore, Princess Welcome, Lucy Patchen, Forty-Eight, Lord Kitchener, Tom Smith, Bertha Carey, Homestake, Nata Prime, The Comet—(15).

2:14 trot—Rose D., Isaac R. T., The Spartan Queen, Billy Mead, Henrietta, Mignola, Lord Kitchener, Silverstone, Homestake, Sure Mike, Review Tell—(11).

2:17 trot—Santolida, Boro Jolly, Jessie Pierce, Empress Yula, Monona Girl, Aunt Molly, Peter Dallas,, Johnston Bahur, W. J. S., Lena Leyburn, Judge Spencer, Lad McKinney, Gwen, Aldino, Royal Hall, Wakitza, Black Enamel, Miss Perfection, Rapello, The Proof, Baron Bates, Baroness Parmelia, Calumet, Mignola, Star Tramp, Slip Past, Ben Bingen, Aunt Barb, Baffin, Blanche, Linwood Mack, May Advice, Hamline Jay, Mistress Annorean—(34).

2:20 trot—John D., Nell Fellows, Timothy Hall, Olive Pack, Hazel Princeton, Bab Bingen, Louis S., Baffin, Red Silk, Helen Edwards, Early Alma, May Advice, Dette, Linwood Mack, Rapello, Main Lac—(16).

2:24 trot—Doctor Luster, Gray Rex, Beda, Grand Chimes, Brisac, Erda, Anzonetta, Binworthy, Zombro Chimes, Zoe Dillon, Roan Boy, Loretta Todd, Miss Perfection, Rapello, Spriggan, Celia Dillon, Caroline, Grattanice, Para Strong, Little Daisy, Socius, Red Silk, Helen Edwards, Rala Hall, Doris Watts, Dette, Baron Deen, Miss Parkwood—(23).

Three-year-old trot—The Substance, Sidney Forbes, Native King II, Brisac, Lowell Axworthy, Lord Aubrey, Lieutenant Aubrey, Last Sheet, Allie Watts, George N. Patterson, Azoff Pasha, Champ Custer, Miss Parkwood, Jauntfast, Baron Holt, Isworthy McKinney, Ann Cecil, Jessie B., The Index—(19).

2:07 pace—Tommy D., Joe Murphy, Grattan Royal, Little Prince, Bessie Bee, May Davis, Direct Gentry, Our Colonel, Baron Hal, Ovieda, Auto Zombro, Hal Mapes, College Gent—(13).

2:10 pace—Joe Murphy, Dan Mac, Hal Mapes, May Davis, Charley Tranby, Jim Hill, Blue Line, Major Hardie, Jal Ell Mack, Denny Boy, Society Leader—(11).

2:13 pace—Dexter M., Keelerville Kid, Kewanee, Annona, Sister Pearl, Oakland Girl, Belle Rex, Gypsey Margrave, Lee Dale, Grattaline, The Sheriff, Elsie Janis, Billy Law, Grace Ongale, Black Ball, Star Brook, Gamma May, Don B., Don Conamore, Imbro, Willis Woodland, Zomblack, Madam Mac, Hal Actor, Blue Line, Flaxy B., General Cooper, Frank J., Dad Mix, The Counterpart, Tom King, Ingolsbee, Major Hardie, The Co-Ed, Eva Direct, Don W., Bessie R., Symbol King, Enoch, Wanda, Strathtell—(42).

2:16 pace—Kewanee, The Landship, Nelly Worth, Mertie Johnson, Tony B., Little George, Lee Dale, Baron Wizard, Rena Locanda, Fanny Shirley, The Sheriff, W. S. Weber, George Edward, Don B., Don Conomore, Lizzie Dillon, Zomblack, Madam Mac, Pearl James, Moonstone Direct, Ed Dillon, The Co-Ed, Jenny Fitzsimmons, Eva Direct, Don W., Bessie R.—(26).

2:20 pace—Julia K., Chestnut Ash, Billy Staley, Gratta, Sister Pearl, Oakland Girl, Rexie, Hedgewood Lad, Cora Blackford, Fulton Leader, Oro Blanco, Peter Marque, Peter Nash, Princess Carlotta, Walter Richmond, Baron Watts, Billy Law, Grace Ongale, Bob White, Sir Shelby, Good News, Sadie Densmore, Lillian Green, Dicto, Mary Hal, Hal Actor, Flora Heir, Lucy Guy Dillon, Brown Obe, Pure Fast, Josie Knight, Leo Tell, Canute, Brook Axworthy, Kimberly Patchen, Justice B., King Shirley, Eva Direct, Don W.—(39).

Three-year-old pace—Eva Smoot, Veannee, Ebenezer, Princess Louise, Sheriff S., Gypwood, Ruth Muscovite, Zombro Final, Michael A. Powers, Wanda, Directum J., Queen B., Oregon Hal, Tiowa, Alix Merriman—(15).

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ELK TUSK HUNTING.

Every elk has two tusks of ivory about the size f the end of a person's finger and three-quarters of n inch long. Of what use they are to the elk seems o be unknown. They grow upon the upper jaw in he same place as a horse's bridle tooth. They ap- ear in the calf's mouth at about six months of age nd grow quite rapidly. They are nearly full size hen the elk is eighteen months old, but are hollow hen. They gradually fill up and become solid ivory hen the elk is the age of three or four years. In eating, the elk wears them off more or less. They row in layers from the outside in. The centers often seem to take color more readily than other portions from the vegetation eaten by the elk. This causes them to be a beautiful variegated brown color upon the outer end and makes them much sought for as charms and emblems. It is only when the elk are in their prime that these tusks are at their best. With too little wear they lack the beautiful color and shape. Those from the female are only about half as large as tusks from the male. So it is the teeth from the latter animal that are sought for and command the big prices. I have known one pair to sell for $85 and others at $50, but these prices are exceptions. The ordinary price of female teeth is from $10 to $20 per pair.

True, many imitations are on the market, selling as low as 50 cents each, that can hardly be told from the genuine, but, although an imitation diamond that it takes an expert to tell from the genuine can be got very cheap, the buyer wishes for and pur- chases the genuine. So in buying an elk's tooth— they wish the genuine.

How to stop the killing of the elk here in Wy- oming to supply the demand for their teeth has been a great problem to the game wardens. One of the first men to be convicted, who was fined $100 and costs, made the remark to the Court that he could soon make that back, and later all efforts were made to get evidence to convict this man, who, with three others, were known to be killing elk regularly. The Wyoming State Game Warden had wardens specially detailed to watch and arrest them if sufficient evi- dence could be secured to convict. They finally ac- knowledged frankly that they could not get the evi- dence necessary for conviction. So it was up to the people of the Jackson Valley. These men were killing hundreds of elk simply for their teeth, and this was casting reflections upon all residents of the valley. A meeting was called to discuss the situa- tion, but no action was taken except to choose a committee to wait upon these men and give them forty-eight hours to get themselves and belongings out of the valley. Before the time limit had expired they had gone. Later two of them were arrested in Los Angeles, Cal., trying to dispose of some of their spoils. They were brought up for trial at Pocatello, Ida., where they pleaded guilty and were fined. One of them paid his fine and was immediately re- arrested for killing elk in the Yellowstone Park. The other served his time and was then arrested on the Park charge. They were tried at Mammoth Hot Springs, Y. N. P., and convicted. One of them escaped from his guard and is now a fugitive from justice. The cases of the other two of the four poachers were tried before a grand jury at Chey- enne, Wyo. Though not present, true bills were were found against them and warrants issued for their arrest. They are now fugitives from justice.

But still the killing for teeth goes on.

A settler in snowshoeing over an unfrequented part of the valley found eighteen bull elk killed for their teeth and saw in the snow the spot where the poacher had stood and shot them down. He picked up some of the .40-60 rifle shells that had been fired. In nearly all portions of the valley where the male elk range in winter and throughout all portions of the mountains in summer the carcasses are found. Unlike fur-bearing animals, the tusks are prime the year around, and can be sent in any numbers by mail to dealers, under protection of the Post Office De- partment.

One evening at dusk in early spring I was return- ing home from Jackson upon the public road, when a shot was fired on the mountain-side above. Look- ing up, I saw outlined against the twilight sky an elk, who staggered and then fell. A man walked up to it and it tried to rise and then lay still. The next day I climbed to the place and found the elk—with only its teeth taken. The next evening a shot was heard from another point, but it was at dusk, when too late to climb to the place before darkness came, and the poacher had gone. It takes them but a mo- ment to extract the teeth and put them in their pock- ets, leaving the body for the coyotes. Should a warden arrest a man within half an hour and find the teeth upon him, it is insufficient evidence to convict, for a person can come by them legitimately, as he is allowed to kill two elk by law. The high price offered for tusks has tempted many settlers in killing their two allowed by law for meat, to choose two mature males, to get their teeth.

The game wardens have proved their inability to cope with the situation, for, in the face of the un- natural demand and high prices offered for tusks, they are helpless, and though the Wyoming Legis- lature unanimously passed a bill making it a felony to kill elk for their teeth, the chances of detection are so slight, and the reward so great, that a poor if dishonest man is willing to take the chances.

The damage does not stop in killing the elk from which the teeth were taken, for this has made a scarcity of mature males. Nature's plan of having none but the noblest of the race predominate during the mating season is upset, and weak, immature, and overworked males mingle with the females. Thus the offspring is below normal, and many are born late. They lack the spirit and undaunted courage a wild animal must possess to carry him through the long winter, and they become an easy prey to the elements. To obviate this scarcity of mature male elk, made so by the abnormal demand for elks' tusks, it was necessary, and the Wyoming Legisla- ture of 1913 did pass a law, limiting the residents of the State to one female elk on a license, and for an additional license, costing $15, the resident may kill one additional elk, male or female. The law allow- ing non-residents two elk, male or female, for a $50 license, remains as it was, but the number killed in this way is negligible, and the license money goes far toward maintaining the elk, and for warden serv- ice, so every person who buys elks' teeth is guilty of helping to destroy, not only the noble animal from which the tusks they purchase and display were pro- cured, but of encompassing the degeneration and decay of the future generations of elk.

You ask me what harm there is in buying the teeth of a winter-killed elk. I answer you, none, except the demand thus created and maintained, and unless this demand ceases the slaughter of these grand ani- mals for their tusks will go on.—S. N. Leek, in "Out- door Life."

THE PARKER TRY GUN.

Parker Bros.' try gun permits of being so adjusted that most accurate measurements may be secured for a perfectly fitting gun. In order to secure these measurements the makers have designed a try gun with a grip which moves in relation with the stock, thus giving a perfect fitting grip, no matter whether the stock may be made with a very little drop or with the maximum drop. This is accomplished by means of a universal joint which is located between the tang and the trigger plate and is adjustable, both up and down or to right or left. This permits any variation of heel drop, from one extreme to the other, and also gives any desired cast off, either to right or left. These adjustments are secured by means of socket headed adjusting screws, which are located in the tang and trigger plate and also on either side of the frame and are adjusted by means of the small wrench shown in the illustration. Adjustments of the comb are made by means of knurled nuts which are let into the body of the stock, and are held from turning by spring pressure. The rear end of the comb may be raised or lowered so that a Monte Carlo effect may be secured. The length of stock is also adjustable by means of similar knurled nuts, and the angle or pitch of butt plate may also be changed at will, so that any pitch desired may be secured. A still further refinement may be had by swinging the toe of the butt plate either to right or left in relation to the stock. This latter adjustment is made by means of a screw operated by the small wrench. After proper adjustments are secured, the gun may be used, as all parts are amply strong so to permit the use of the gun in demonsetrating. In order to secure the dimensions after the proper adjustments have been made, a special measuring device has been designed. It is firmly fastened to the top rib of the gun by means of locating pins and a thumb screw, and a vertical slide, which may be moved from one end of the horizontal bar to the other, gives the cor- rect drop measurements at any point of the stock. The pitch is also read by sliding the vertical slide to the end of the stock, and pushing it down across the butt plate, swinging it in its bearing so that the slide touches the butt at heel and toe. The gradua- tions on the vertical slide holder are in inches and will show the desired pitch of the gun. The cast off may also be read by measuring the distance of cen- ter lines, which are on the heel and toe of the butt plate, frim the end of the vertical slide, which is exactly central with the barrels. For determining the length of stock, the measuring device is removed from the barrels and is used as a pair of beam cal- ipers, a small finger attached to the bar being held against the trigger and the vertical slide held against the center of the butt plate. The horizontal bar is graduated, and the length easily and quickly read.

MANY RIFLE CLUBS ORGANIZED.

While the leading military authorities of the coun- try are all of one accord in urging Congress to pro- vide for a reserve to our established military forces, the National Rifle Association of America is going ahead, without the flare of trumpets or financial as- sistance from Congress, in the building up of a reserve in this country that will be most efficient in that it will be trained in 80 per cent of the requisites of an efficient soldier; that is, the ability to handle the rifle and shoot straight. The National Rifle As- sociation is doing this through its organization of rifle clubs throughout the country, especially among civilians. A great impetus to the movement was given through the enactment of legislation at the last session of Congress authorizing the free issue of "Krag" rifles and ammunition to rifle clubs under rules and regulations approved by the Secretary of War. The Secretary of War placed the organization of the clubs and distribution of the rifles in the hands of the N. R. A., which had an efficient organ- ization with secretaries in every State and was in close touch with the class of citizens whom it was desired to reach. The splendid military feature of this movement and one that will add considerably to the national defenses is that not only are citizens being organized into clubs and trained in rifle shoot- ing but the statistics show that about 60 per cent of the members of these clubs are ex-army and National guardsmen so that they are not only keeping up their training in rifle shooting but are already trained in other necessary attributes of a soldier. All that is necessary for Congress to do to secure an efficient reserve for the regular services, and one that would be along the lines that have proved so efficient in Switzerland, is to make the rifle club movement really broad and national in its scope by proper appropriations for the building of rifle ranges throughout the country and the purchase of target supplies and other paraphernalia for the carrying on of rifle training among citizens. When this has been accomplished, then will President Wilson really see the consummation of his desire to have a "citizenry trained in the use of arms."

Since the free issue of rifles and ammunition was authorized the National Rifle Association has organ- ized 438 clubs. These clubs are not confined to any particular locality but reach from Maine to Californ- nia. It is a fact, however, that the most successful ones are organized in the West where there are better facilities for the acquiring of ranges and where the class of young men who compose the membership of the western clubs are not the class to whom golf and tennis appeal. A great aid also to success in these western clubs is their being allowed to do their training on Sunday. A great many of these clubs have been organized and affiliated with the N. R. A. 438 clubs with a membership of 16,628.

One feature of this movement has been the organ- ization of numerous clubs by the employes of large industrial corporations. In some cases the employ- ers themselves have donated the land and assisted in the construction of the ranges, believing undoubtedly that it was better to have their men engaged in the healthy open air sport of rifle shooting than decreas- ing their efficiency by loafing around corner saloons. Recently rifle clubs have been organized in the Unit- ed Shoe Machinery Co., the Springfield Telephone Co., the Goodyear Rubber Co., the Packard Automo- bile Co., the Willys-Overland Automobile Co., the General Electric Co., and several others.

The Military Committees of the Senate and House, as well as the General Staff of the Army, might well take into consideration the work that is being done along these lines when drawing up their plans for a reserve for our army. The work done by these clubs is thoroughly systematized and would need little reorganization to bring them in line for practical utilization as a reserve.

New York and Pennsylvania lead for first place in the number of clubs, each having 39, but New York outranks Pennsylvania in club membership, 1,867 to 1,547. There are one or more clubs in all the States with the exception of Maryland and Delaware. The number of clubs and their membership by States follows:

Alabama, 2 clubs and 37 members; Alaska, 1 club, 31 members; Arizona, 12 clubs, 557 members; Ar- kansas, 2 clubs, 50 members; California 24 clubs, 795 members; Canal Bone 2 clubs, 37 members;; Colo- rado 9 and 282; Connecticut 7 and 384; District of Columbia 3 and 135; Florida 3 and 127; Porto Rico 1 and 27; Georgia 3 and 54; Hawaii 2 and 53; Idaho 11 and 354; Illinois 9 and 270; Indiana 11 and 811; Iowa 8 and 329; Kansas 10 and 247; Kentucky 4 and 244; Louisiana 2 and 87; Maine 4 and 85; Massachu- setts 22 and 881; Michigan 18 and 794; Minnesota 8 and 211; Missouri 8 and 241; Montana 22 and 814; Nebraska 9 and 266; Nevada 4 and 136 New Hamp- shire 4 and 222; New Jersey 7 and 177; New Mexico 9 and 280; New York 39 and 1,867; North Carolina 2 and 86; North Dakota 4 and 138; Ohio 32 and 916; Oklahoma 3 and 51; Oregon 9 and 404; Pennsylvania 39 and 1,547; Rhode Island 4 and 167; South Caro- lina 1 and 26; South Dakota 5 and 163; Tennessee 3 and 69; Texas 11 andd 410; Utah 8 and 325; Ver- mont 3 and 373; Virginia 3 and 112; Washington 12 and 421; West Virginia 3 and 49; Wisconsin 10 and 294; and Wyoming 6 clubs and 195 members.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

THE GRAND AMERICAN HANDICAP.

The program of the coming Grand American Trapshooting Tournament is now in the hands of the printer, and will be ready for mailing about July 15. The program is not materially different from that of its predecessor, issued for last year's tournament. That program was so happily devised that it won the approval and support of the trapshooting fraternity to a marked degree. The schedule of events, in the main, follows the policy adopted by The Interstate Association in respect to its Grand American Trapshooting Tournaments, and which have proven in practice to be popular, equitable and successful.

As was the case last year, The Interstate Association will donate numerous trophies to be competed for. These trophies will be well worth winning, and the winners will have the satisfaction of having something besides cash to take home with them as proof that they have defeated "the best in the land at the greatest trapshooting tournament in the world."

Ten automatic traps, an extra trap for professionals and two "Joker Traps" will be installed. The "Section System," slightly modified, will be used. By using ten traps it is confidently believed that, barring inclement weather, it will be possible to finish each event on the day it is scheduled to be shot with a total of 700 entrants.

The Interstate Association and the Chicago Association of Trapshooters will spare no trouble or expense to make this, the sixteenth Grand American Trapshooting Tournament, come fully up to the high standard set by its predecessors.

A HISTORIC CUP SHOOT.

Monday morning, June 14, at the Missouri Athletic Club shooting grounds, St. Louis, Mo., was an open contest for the Hazard Double Target Championship Trophy which created much interest among a great many experts, both amateur and professional. This match was a curtain raiser for the Western Handicap trapshooting tournament which officially opened on the grounds of the Missouri Athletic Club, Tuesday, June 15. The contest for the Hazard Cup is on open to amateurs and professionals, and calls for 50 pairs, or 100 targets.

Sam Huntley was the holder of the Hazard Cup, but it was called in and placed in open competition on the above date, as Huntley had received no challenge for it. This trophy has been before the shooting public as a prize ever since it was offered as a live bird shooting trophy in 1901. After the shooting of live pigeons became generally under the ban, the Hazard Trophy was called in by its owners, the Du Pont Company, and became the acknowledged double target championship emblem, and many notable contests have been held for it. Sam Huntley turned in a card of 191x200 in a match for this trophy on one occasion last year, and it is believed that this is a world's record. At any rate, it won't be approached for some time to come.

The conditions governing contests for the Hazard "Double-Target" Challenge Trophy are as follows:

(1) All challenge contests to be at 100 pairs (200 targets) per man, 16 yards rise, the targets to be thrown from either three expert traps or from a magazine trap. In either case the targets shall be thrown in manner prescribed by the Interstate Association's Trapshooting Rules. (Revision 1904.)

(2) The challenger shall post a forfeit of $25.00 and mail same, together with notice of challenge, to T. E. Doremus, Manager Sporting Powder Division, E. I. duPont deNemours Powder Company, Wilmington, Delaware, who shall in turn notify holder of the trophy and the sporting press of receipt of such challenge and forfeit.

(3) The holder shall name date, hour and place for the contest within two weeks from the date of the letter mailed him notifying him of the receipt of the challenge and posting of the forfeit; but the date for the contest must be such as will allow the challenger at least ten full days notice of the acceptance of his challenge and the naming of the date, etc.

(4) The contestants shall mutually agree as to the referee, scorer, puller and trapper (or trappers), but if unable to do so, such officials shall be appointed by the Du Pont Company, or by such representatives of that company as may be present at the contest.

(5) Open Competitions.—Open competitions for the trophy may be held with the consent of the DuPont Company by any regularly organized gun club, such club sending to the Du Pont Company $25.00 to be handed to the holder of the trophy for the purpose of calling it in. All such open competitions shall be at 50 pairs (100 targets) per man, and the targets shall be thrown, and the officials for such competitions shall be appointed, in the manner prescribed for challenge contests.

(6) Any holder of the trophy desiring to have same in his possession shall be permitted to do so, providing he deposit with the Du Pont Company a bond in the sum of $750.00, the actual value of the trophy.

(7) The above conditions can be changed at any time the Du Pont Company may see fit to do so, upon said company paying to the then holder of the trophy the sum of $25.00 for the redemption of said trophy.

At the Traps

Powder Puffs.—The Golden Gate Gun Club regular monthly shoot is the card at West Alameda trap grounds tomorrow.

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New Grounds Needed.—A decided advantage and impetus to the sport of blue rock trap shooting would be a properly fitted up local grounds. Which project may materialize here before long.

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On the Watch Fob Route.—Andy Flickinger made a wholesale sweep on Du Pont watch fobs at the Portland tournament. Six runs of 50 or over is going some—and likewise secures six fob bars.

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Capitol City Powder Puffs.—Over 100 members of the Big Time Gun Club attended the regular bimonthly shoot June 13 at the Schenck ranch on the Fruit Ridge road. This shoot, although one of the regular prize shoots, was more of a practice for the competition shoot with the Alhambra Gun Club of Martinez at that place June 27. That shoot will be a ten-man team affair and will be at 1000 birds. A barbecue will follow the shoot. The Alhambra Club will shoot against the same team on the Sacramento grounds two weeks later.

Among the local club members competition is keen as to who will make the club team. In the five classes there are a number of very good shots, and many of the clay bird smashers belonging to the Big Time Club are desirous of making the trip to Martinez with the team.

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Idaho Trap Shooting.—E. C. Grice of Boise won the State championship June 15 after defeating E. M. Sweeley of Twin Falls in shooting off a tie. John Gray of Boise was high amateur for the tournament, with a score of 385 out of 400. E. J. Morgan was high professional with 391. The feature of the last day was Grice's run of 134 straight. Twin Falls was selected for the 1916 State shoot.

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Western Handicap.—One hundred and twenty professional and amateur trapshooters from almost every State in the Middle West and from many Eastern States participated at St. Louis Wednesday last in the preliminary to the Western Handicap event of the tenth annual Western Trapshooting Tournament.

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Live Bird Shoot.—Capt. A. W. Du Bray was high gun in the shoot held by the California Wing Shooting Club for June. In the medal and purse events at twelve birds each he came through without a miss, as he did in the six-bird pool. To go that one better in a shoot for back scores, he ran 12 in a row, as against 11 for Tony Prior. One the day this gave him 42 out of a possible 42, with Prior a close second at 41. The scores follow:

	Medal Shoot.	12-bird Purse.	6-bird Pool.
Du Bray	12	12	6
Haight	9	11	6
Hoag	12	11	..
Holohan	12	12	5
Nauman	10	11	6
Prior	12	12	6
Riley	12	11	5
Ruhstaller	11	12	4
R. H. Smith	10	11	..
B. Smith	10	10	4
Walsh	10	12	6
Worthen	10	11	..
Cuthbert	10	12	..
Sweeney	..	12	4

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Alameda Shoot.—P. R. Fox was high gun at the Bay View Gun Club's regular monthly shoot, June 6. In the medal contest he broke 19 out of 20; in the Du Pont contest at 15 birds, he broke straight, while he tallied 12 in the other event. The scores for the three events:

L. Middleton	17	11	12
I. Foster	15	11	11
J. Millett	15	15	12
P. R. Fox	19	15	12
Mrs. Haughawout	15	13	15
G. White	14	12	13
W. Samuels	16	10	11
J. Stack	17	11	12
F. Blum	18	12	13

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Moraga Valley Shoot.—Thirty shooters lined up at the Moraga Gun Club blue rock trap shoot June 13, at Moraga valley, Contra Costa county. The cup winners were: N. A. Howard, who broke 94 out of 100 birds for high score and first trophy; Al Cook, with 93 out of 100, won second trophy, and H. R. Phinney and H. D. Swales, who tied for the third cup, with 92 birds each. Phinney won the prize on the shoot-off. Dick Reed won the cup hung up for professional shooters with the good score of 93 out of 100.

Other scores shot were: M. O. Feudner 89, Art Williams 89, W. J. Wheeler 91, Harold Habens 89, J. G. Heath 89, Fred K. Burnham 86, C. H. Knight 91, C. A. Haight 87, B. H. Worthen 90, E. Hoelle 86, F. Webster 91, J. J. Hauser 88, R. S. Avery 90, Tom Wilkes 92, E. Wilkes 89, Dr. Merithew 91, J. J. Anderson 89, H. Overbaugh 92, D. E. Brockbank 82, H. Dutton 82, E. H. Forestier 80, Captain Du Bray 44 out of 50.

Interstate Association Tournaments—

June 15, 16, 17—The Interstate Association's Tenth Western Handicap Tournament, St. Louis, Mo., under the auspices of the Missouri Athletic Association Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Western Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

July 8, 9, 10—The Interstate Association's Tenth Pacific Coast Handicap Tournament, San Diego, Cal., under the auspices of the Pastime Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Pacific Coast Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

August 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chicago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy, and the winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

Registered Tournaments — Pacific States and Territories:

July 1, 2—Vancouver Gun Club, C. A. Porter, Secretary, Vancouver, Can.

July 5—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President, Eureka, Cal.

July 5—Sunrise Gun Club, H. S. Hill, Secretary, Sunrise, Wyo.

July 5—Holbrook Gun Club, J. S. Hulet, Secretary, Holbrook, Ariz.

July 9, 10—Gem City Gun Club, Max Weick, Secretary, Laramie, Wyo.

July 12—Rawlins Rod and Gun Club, H. Breitenstein, Secretary, Rawlins, Wyo.

July 12, 13, 14—Los Angeles Gun Club, Fred H. Teeple, Secretary, Venice, Cal.

July 19, 20, 21, 22—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary, Tacoma, Wash.

July 24—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, W. S. Short, Secretary, Chehalis, Wash.

July 28, 29—Delta County Gun Club, Nick Powell and R. A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

August 10—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

HOOKWORM IN DOGS.

[Continued from last week.]

"Our treatment has been directed to killing the worms by the use of thymol, and then expelling their dead bodies and the ova by the use of salts.

"The dog is starved from seven in the morning until seven at night, at which time the first dose of thymol is given in capsule. Two hours later, this dose is repeated, the dog being kept quiet and fasted till next morning, when a dose of salts is given. After the dose of salts has acted, the dog may be fed anything it will eat, preferably milk, beef tea, etc. Sherry wine may be given as a stimulant, in dessert spoonful doses. The dose of thymol should not be less than 10 grains for puppies and very small dogs, nor more than 30 or 40 grains for older dogs and larger. The dose of salts will range from 1 to 4 drachms, according to size of animal. If the symptoms do not abate in a few days, four or five, repeat the above doses. Repeat anyway in ten days.

"Should the European war continue much longer, it is probable the supply of thymol will be discontinued, as it is 'made in Germany.' To provide a substitute for thymol is a problem already being considered. This substitute is a time-honored oil of chenopodium, otherwise known as worm seed oil. It is even superior to thymol in several ways. It is less poisonous, and stands highest in the scale of anthelmintics. The coefficients of several worm destroyers are as follows, according to a Government report: Eucalyptus oil, 38; naphthol, 68; thymol, 83; oil of chenopodium surpasses them all, with a coefficient of 91.

"The plant from which this oil is obtained grows in great profusion in Florida, and is known under the popular name of Jerusalem Oak. The expressed juice from the green leaves of the plant is in high favor amongst the colored 'mammies' as a worm medicine.

"The dose of the oil of chenopodium ranges from 8 to 16 drops, according to age, for people. The same dosage would apply for dogs. The dose repeated every two hours for three doses. Two hours thereafter, tablespoonful of castor oil with a teaspoonful of chloroform is given. The oil is best administered on sugar. If unusual depression occurs from the use of the oil, stop it, and stimulate with strong, hot coffee, given by the mouth, or injected into the rectum.

"Another method of administering the remedy is to prepare a decoction by boiling one ounce of the fresh plant in a pint of milk and water, and administering this tea in wineglassful doses.

"After Treatment.—As the resulting anaemia is pronounced, this deserves notice, and a general tonic should be given. The following tonic pill is recommended. Each pill should contain the following amounts of the ingredients, according to age and size of the dog: Ferri reduct., grains 1 to 5; Strych. sulph., grains 1-100 to 1-60; Quin. sulph., 1 to 2; Acid. arsenosi, grains 1-30 to 1-10."

Hookworm infection of dogs and puppies in Pacific Coast kennels has not, at any time, been of a very pronounced nature. At the same time, instances are not unknown of this particular ailment.

Fish Lines

For the enthusiast who enjoys the weight of a angling trout creel on his shoulder there is a wide phere of opportunity available. Many of the fisher- nen are posted on particular localities, some well ersed on the fishing prospects of a far reaching rea, others, again, are always on the still hunt for ew places. Advices to hand last week from various oints may go somewhat towards keeping tab on uture or near fishing trips.

The recent dark nights favored the angler on many rout streams or fishing in a mountain lake. As for he Sierra streams, most of the main rivers have been somewhat high and roilly, the result of melting snow on the ranges. Recent reports from Truckee river points intimate that the water is a bit too high for good fly-fishing results. Bait results have been good. Conditions, however, are favorably changing from day to day and better fishing is anticipated, particularly for the rodster who is making a stay of a week or more.

James Thomson, who knows the Truckee, in the vicinity of Boca, better than many of the annual reg- ulars, left for that point last week for a two weeks' stay, a tip that will be taken and digested by a num- ber of wise Truckee rodsters. As for the Sierra lakes fishing, reports have been daily more favorable. Lake Tahoe is well in line for fine trolling and Inde- pendence lake has been given the hall mark of the anglers' approval. This water has the added charm of not being frequented by the market fisherman. William C. Murdoch, Dr. E. W. Westphal and F. W. Moody are now at Webber lake, where the trout are hungry for the fly lures.

The mountain lakes in the vicinity of Blairsden, Plumas county, are reported to be now free of ice and fine trout fishing can be enjoyed—bait and spoon fishing, however. For the dressed fly-book enthusi- ast the sport will come later on when the warm weather begins.

At Salmon lake the trout have been, for the past fortnight, running up the tributary creeks and spawn- ing. It is estimated that the fly-fishing season will begin about the 20th inst. The Salmon lake trout are solid, in good condition and full of fight. June is the month for the big fish. William Hughes has ad- vised city friends that the lake fishing near Mohawk is good now. A. P. Lathrop writes from Blairsden that he made one catch of thirty trout—a one and a half pounder being the largest—during a recent morning's lake fishing in Gold lake. The trout aver- aged from nine to ten inches.

Near Belden, although the Feather river is not quite clear and somewhat high, good bait and spoon fishing may be had. This same condition may be said to rule at present at other points along the river. Yellow, Indian and Chips creeks are clear and pretty near right for the rod and reel man. The trout are not averse to the royal coachman, professor or the hackle fly patterns.

At Big Bar, F. W. Bowman, among others, was daily landing acceptable baskets of fish. Near Quincy there can be found about a dozen good fishing creeks —just about getting ripe for the angler. George Durenberger, F. Foley, F. Horn and W Meadows propose to investigate fishing possibilities of that section for a fortnight. Dr. E. Moore found good enough fishing spots near Shady Rest to enable daily limit boxes for ten days to go to city friends. Camp Rodgers reports are favorable enough to induce several pronounced fly-fishermen to try that section of the Feather river for a week or more.

Marin county remains on the trout fishers' map in a pleasing way. Quite a few nice baskets have re- cently been picked up in the Paper Mill, near Point Reyes. Farther up stream, Harry Thomson's Satur- day trip was well paid with thirty-eight good-sized trout, caught between the "old paper mill" and Jew- ells. Hugh Copeland whipped the creek near Taylor- ville and also landed a good catch. That stretch of the creek contains a number of fine fishing pools and holes and is a good producer until late in the season.

A little creek, over near Bolinas bay, Pine Ridge, it is called, furnished Fred Gantner and Moe Uri with good baskets of trout Sunday.

Lake Lagunitas, it is reported, will be closed to angling sportsmen—an iron rule enforced by the water company is that fires must not, under any cir- cumstances, be lighted by anyone fishing at the lake or permitted in the vicinity. Some careless visitor started a fire. The result was that the company's rangers, the county foresters, members of the Lagu- nitas Rod and Gun Club and others, had a strenuous time in putting out what at one time threatened to be a widespread and sweeping conflagration.

Trolling for trout in the Big Meadows reservoir has been well rewarded with catches of huge trout by J. H. Vail and Dr. G. Gates recently. Near the im- mense dam many dead and dying trout can be seen. The water in that part of the reservoir is stagnant and kills the fish.

In the vicinity of Cloverdale the tip is that "trout fishing is now very good." Every rodster who has recently fished the Sulphur, Squaw, Racheria, Pilta and headwaters of the Garcia, has landed limit bas- kets of trout from 9 to 10 inches long. The queen of waters, royal coachman and light gray hackle flies seem to be the killers. S. A. Wells and Al Hoffman fished the Big Sulphur and Squaw creek a week ago very successfully. An amusing incident of this trip was the fact that hard-mouths, "Japanese trout," rose to the fly hooks and put up a pretty good fight at that. P. C. Katz and party put in two weeks near Ornbaun Springs, where the trout fishing was found enjoyable.

Near Laytonville two good streams can be found. No trouble to catch a limit. It is claimed that a lazy fisherman can fish from the bedroom windows of a resort near Laytonville and pick up fine messes of trout.

From Klamath Falls, in Oregon, Charley Keweli has advices that the fishing with both fly and trolling tackle is of the best. Williamson river and Spring creek, both famed trout fishing waters, is but a short distance away. J. H. Lindsey and Joe Harlan are getting a cut-in at the sport now. A. E. Davis left Friday and J. Brownell, J. B. Coleman, New Bosquin and other local trout tamers left for the Williamson this week.

Napa creek, near the mouth, attracted Joe Wheeler last Sunday for a try at striped bass fishing. He caught baby bass just about as fast as he could cast his tackle, the undersized striped fish being remark- ably plentiful. But his great surprise was that every now and then he would hook an 8 or 10 inch steel- head trout and land it.

A sample of what Soquel creek, a Santa Cruz stream, can offer, is illustrated by limit baskets taken by W. W. Richards and Walter Welch, three days running. Trout are most plentiful and small, bright flies will do the trick.

Isabella creek, a branch of Smith's creek, on the Mt. Hamilton slope, is evidently in good fishing trim, judging from the good luck of George McCullom and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Forbes gave the creek a two weeks' whipping and with fine results every day. E. W. Mobley vouches for the presence of trout in Smith's creek, for he returned Sunday with a basket containing a nice lot of trout. The Arroya Mocha, a branch of Smith's creek, reached via Livermore, was fished by Clarence Kolb and Frank Marcus Sun- day. Baskets of good-sized trout were landed.

The upper waters of Waddell and Boulder creeks have long been held in good repute by fishermen who have sampled those creeks and tributaries up in the remote ranges of the Big Basin. Heretofore the drawback has been a difficulty in reaching the good fishing ground. Particularly so for a short trip. It is different and easy now, since the new road into that Big Basin section has been in operation. This new route is from Saratoga to Congress Springs and thence into the Big Basin regions.

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The sportsman who enjoys angling for the gamey black bass can find plenty of opportunity for his tackle in the Middle river branch of the San Joaquin river, near where the Santa Fe tracks cross the stream. A few miles away, near Holt, Trapper's creek and Whiskey slough are well stocked with both black and striped bass. That the Middle river black bass are of a size to be reckoned with is proven by a 9¾ pound fish caught near Orland, in the vicinity of the big irrigation pump. This huge bass was landed with a minnow-baited hook. An excellent catch of black bass, the largest being 4-pounders, was made two weeks ago by E. L. Schultz, Louis Gotthelf, W. J. Street, Bob Murdoch, Ed Smith and Charlie Breidenstein. Last Sunday Murdoch, L. E. Bemis, Tom Padden and George Klarmann tried their luck. A few catches resulted; the largest, a six and a half pounder, was taken by Murdoch.

Near Lodi big catches of shad have been taken recently, generally with dip nets. Shad, however, can be taken with a spinning spoon and also with a fly hook, and this method offers more sport than is generally supposed.

Local striped bass fishermen have had a lockout recently, but few bass are reported to have been taken at any of the usual resorts. The prevailing heavy winds can be regarded as one reason why the striped fish keep well hidden around bay resorts. Another reason given is that the fish are up-river spawning. Conditions seem more favorable for Sun- day.

A few days ago a catch of nine fine striped bass, weighing from 7½ to 17¼ pounds, was taken at the mouth of the Salinas river, in Monterey county.

Salmon are running in Monterey bay, on the Santa Cruz side, fish ranging from 4 to 6 pounds, the big salmon having not yet put in an appearance.

Halibut fishing in Tomales bay is just beginning and will be better in July and August. Heavy tackle is required to land these fish; simetimes the fisher- man connects with a 60-pounder. E. Brown landed a huge shark near Hamlet one day last week. The man-eater was 12½ feet long and tipped the beam at 600 pounds. Brown afterwards captured a 200- pound shark. These sharks are the deep-sea variety and come in from the ocean. They like a diet of stingrays and halibut.

There is a big run of smelt and tomcod now on in the bay. Large catches have been made from the city front piers, in Tiburon lagoon and at Sausalito.

Low tide, Sunday morning, exposing the abalone reefs along the San Mateo shore, will tempt many shell fish hunters. Moss Beach is a favorite abalone fishing ground with many.

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Lost tackle is quite an engaging topic with rod and reel devotees and the rodster is inexperienced to a degree who cannot recall some interesting incident in this respect. Bill Street related a rather singular incident the other day.

"Perhaps the most remarkable incident in that line," he stated, "that ever came within my personal experience, happened one day while I was fishing the White House pool.

"I had on my leader the usual cast of three flies —when a big steelhead trout, at least seven pounds in weight, grabbed the top fly. I struck and hooked him fairly and squarely in the jaw. Then, of course, the circus began, and for five minutes the fun was exciting. At the critical time my leader broke—like a tailor's promise—just where it was knotted to the line. Away went the big fish, trailing my leader and two flies after.

"Did I recover the flies and leader- Not much, nor the trout either. The loss of the tackle, however, furnished me with a proof of the intelligence and ingenuity of trout that you couldn't get over with a step ladder. For later in the day, over near 'grassy point,' looking into the water, I'll swallow my rod if I didn't see that cunning old cuss of a cannibal hiding slyly, with the top fly still fixed in his jaw, and the leader, with the other two flies streaming out in the slow current, and, fishing for his dinner with the patience of Frank Dolliver, I watched him hook and swallow half a dozen fair sized trout, until Moe Uri came along and frightened him away. Fact, I assure you."

THE NEVADA FISH AND GAME LAWS, 1915.

Fish—Open season May 1 to October 15, inclusive. Individual daily limit, ten trout or bass, or ten pounds. No limit on catfish, carp or minnows. It is unlawful to take lake or river trout shorter than seven inches and brook trout shorter than six inches. Mere casting of line or other such act constitutes an offense. Unlawful to fish within 100 feet of any dam containing a fishway or ladder. Unlawful to fish two hours after sundown or one hour before sunrise. Unlawful to ship more than ten pounds of fish. (Ten trout allowed, regardless of weight.) Unlawful to have in possession greater number of fish than amount allowed by law. Unlawful to buy or sell any lake trout, river trout, or any brook trout which are less than fifteen inches in length. Penalty—Fine of not less than $25 nor more than $500; or prison term of not more than six months, or both.

Deer and Antelope—September 15 to October 15. Bucks only. Limit, one during season. No open season for females and fawn. Use of hounds pro- hibited. Unlawful to have in possession during closed season.

Mountain Sheep and Goat—Season closed until January 1, 1920.

Pheasants—Protected until September 1, 1920.

Bobwhite, Partridge, Other Imported Birds—No open season.

Sagecock and Sagehen—July 15 to February 15, inclusive. Limit, ten per day.

Grouse and Mountain Quail—September 15 to Jan- uary 1, inclusive. Limit per day, grouse, six; quail, fifteen.

Duck, Sandhill Crane, Plover, Valley Quail, Prai- rie Chickens, Curlew, Woodcock, Snipe—September 15 to March 15, inclusive. Limit per day: Valley quail, fifteen; duck, twenty; plover, five; snipe, fifteen.

Geese—September 15 to March 15, inclusive. Limit, ten per day.

Unlawful to destroy nest or eggs of any protected bird; to use a shotgun of larger than ten gauge; to buy, sell, barter, or trade any kind of game or game birds or to ship same out of the State; to kill or destroy or attempt to kill or destroy any blue bird, bluejay, thrush, mocking bird, oriole, humming bird, robin, meadow lark. swan, or any other plume, song or insectivorous bird.

License—It is unlawful for any male person over the age of 14 years to hunt or fish without having first procured a license so to do from the county clerk or from the game warden.

Fees—Residents, $1; non-residents, only for a period of thirty days will be issued to any person upon the payment of $2. Any person who may lose or have his license destroyed must make affidavit to that effect and procure another license in order to entitle him to hunt and fish.

Penalties—Violation of the laws regulating fish and game is a misdemeanor and punishable by a fine of not less than $10 nor more than $500, or by im- prisonment in the county jail for not more than six months, or by both fine and imprisonment.

Indians—the State game laws apply to Indians just the same as to white persons.

Fish and game acts provide that it shall be no de- fense for violation of any of their provisions that the game or birds were killed out of the State, or taken or killed by any other than the one in whose possession they are found; nor shall ignorance of the law be any defense.

All peace officers are required to enforce the game laws. Aid of citizens may be invoked when it is deemed necessary, or when resistance is offered.

Rem-UMC Notes.

High honors for practice day of the thirty-first an- nual tournament of the Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest, held at Portland, Ore., June 6, were carried off by F. Van Atta, shooting a Remington pump gun and Nitro Club shells and scoring 98x100. A. G. Flickinger and F. M. Troeh tied for second place, being but one target behind the winner. Flick- inger, shooting Arrow shells, made the long run of the day, breaking 73 birds straight.

THE FARM

DOING IT LARGE WITH STOCK.

We were mighty fortunate in getting in our exhortation two weeks ago to those having large lands and large money to throw them both largely into purebred live stock. If we had dallied over it it would haveen historic instead of prophetic, which is not half as smart. Anyone can write history, of a kind, but when it comes to prophecy—well, did it not take a priest and a whole procession of planets to tell when Mt. Lassen was going to do it again? And so we also claim to be in on the prophetic line, because within a week after we had goaded the millionaires to buy stock, what is described as "one of the largest sales of pure-bred stock ever recorded on the Pacific coast" took place. The news about it will doubtless be given by our live stock writers, but the upshot of the matter is that the Carnation Herd of Holstein cattle, whose achievements at the Exposition have been previously described in this journal, will henceforth find a home geographically in the heart of the San Joaquin Valley, and sentimentally, no doubt, in the heart of California. California had world-beating Holsteins before the capture of this collection, and so this great transaction becomes a new instance of the Dutch taking Holland. These cattle are pinks of perfection, as Carnations really ought to be, and will go forward with their predecessors of the same breed into the history of California's live stock achievements. Now, we are wondering what millionaire-outfit will make the next move. It does not need to be all Holsteins, of course. Even in dairy lines there are others, strong rivals in beauty, in performance and the power to uplift common stock. What millionaire or bunch of them is going to do it large with Jerseys, Ayrshires, Guernseys, or with some of the best continental breeds? When we chased the cows through Europe we did not see a herd of cows most famous in this country until we came near to the birthplace of each of the breeds. Many of our popular breeds have a hundred times the geographical sweep in this country that they have on the other hemisphere. This is not because these breeds are not counted good over there, but because there are others. When the Italians have their blue cattle, the Swiss their brown cattle, the French their grey cattle, etc., etc., why should they worship the black-and-whites of Holland and North Germany, or the red-and-whites or yellow-and-whites of Great Britain? They don,t and they won't, and that is all there is to say about it. They have breeds of their own, developed for their own topography and other natural conditions, and all of them watched and vouched for by their registry associations, experiment stations and government breeding farms. Here is a program for a millionaire: Study your land and its climatic and foragic conditions; then go abroad, after peace is declared, and pick out the place which closely resembles yours. California combines practically all European conditions, from Holland to the top of the Alps. When you find your place on the European landscape, study the stock and what the people do with it and buy a bunch of selections of the best they have, and ship them straight through via Panama, as you now fortunately can, and save much cost and worry. Bring home all the charming history and present doings you get of the breed, and you will find plenty, which you can load up with until you can talk down all other breeders, judges and the general public at every fair in the circuit.

But some reader may say: "Why are you giving this crazy advice; has not America all the breeds that are needed for various purposes and has not California good representatives of them already?" We are inclined to say, for practical purposes, yes; but there are two reasons why we should be sure that we have others. First, if we realize our chances as the breeding base for Pacific countries, we must have stock to suit the trade, and we should be able to give purchasers selection from all that is good in the world's achievements; second, we are talking to millionaires and not to common people, and the millionaire is not usually satisfied with the "old masters" which other people already have. He is often not content unless he can get one freshly dug up for him. We have merely indicated a way in which a millionaire can spend some money in an interesting way and extend the live stock resources of the State. And he can do it with cattle or horses, or whatever else is purebred and valuable.—Pacific Rural Press.

HOW TO COOK THE "OLD MAN."

At a meeting of the Ohio Farm Woman's Club, the following essay was read by Mrs. James C. Lampman:

"I have a receipt which I would like to give the ladies of this club. I have used it for years, aside from an excess of vinegar and pepper used recklessly at times, I have had excellent results. This receipt is entitled 'How to Cook a Husband.' If it seems lacking in any helpful suggestion from our friends.

"A good many husbands are spoiled in cooking. Some women go about it as if their husbands were toy balloons and proceed to blow them up occasionally. Others keep them constantly in hot water, while careless cooks freeze them by their carelessness and neglect. Some keep them in a stew by irritating words and ways. Not a few keep them in a pickle all their days. You can not hope to keep a husband tender and sweet in such a way. But they are really delicious when properly prepared.

"In selecting a husband do not be misled by such a silvery appearance, such as we look for in selecting mackerel; or by a golden tint, as if selecting salmon. Be sure to select him yourself, as tastes differ. Do not go to the market for him, as the best varieties are brought to your door.

"It is far better to have none at all if you will not patiently learn to cook him. A preserving kettle of the finest porcelain is none too good, but an earthenware pipkin will do if care is used in the handling. See that the linen you wrap him in is nicely washed and mended, and that the buttons are well sewed on. Tie him in the kettle with a card of love, as that cord called duty is apt to be weak. Otherwise they are apt to fly out of the kettle and become burned, for, like lobsters and crabs, they must be cooked alive.

"Make a clean, steady fire of love and cheerfulness. Do not be alarmed if he sputters and frizzles a good deal at first; some husbands do this until well done. Add a little sugar, but the vinegar and pepper with discretion. A very little spice used with good judgment improves him. Never try to turn him over with the kitchen fork or rolling pin, but gide him about the kettle so skilfully that he never discovers it. If he becomes puffed up, do not worry; most husbands do. Never allow him to think he is being cooked. Thus treated he will be very digestible and will agree very nicely with you, and will keep as long as you wish, unless you become careless and place him in too hot a place."—Exchange.

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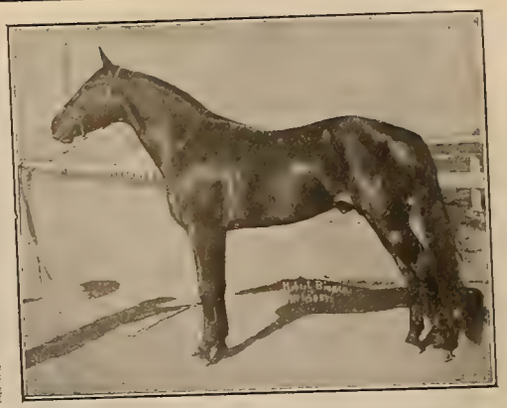
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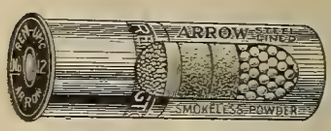
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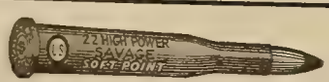


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MR. AND MRS. TAYLOR.

When a beautifully engraved bit of stationery appeared in "ye editor's" mail early this week announcing the marriage on Sunday, June 20, at Newhall, of Miss Mabel Claire Gifford and Mr. Louis Benjamin Taylor, we made several false scores toward identifying the parties most intimately concerned—especially that "Mr. Louis Benjamin Taylor." Every time we came down we were feeling for the hobbles so strongly that the starter refused us the word, but finally we flattened away and ran down the identity of the gentleman in question. It hardly seems possible, but it is no other than our old friend "Lou" of San Jose, who has played us false by deserting the ranks of the bachelors of the trotting fraternity. He has not gotten "out of the family" by his recent performance, however, as "Mabel Claire" has a familiar ring that recalls that so far back as 1912, Mr. Taylor drove a nice three-year-old filly of this name to a record of 2:27 at San Jose, so the affair is not only one of some standing but Mrs. Taylor is of the right kind for a horseman's wife. Here's heartiest congratulations to them from a whole host of friends, with best wishes for a long campaign, sunshiny days and fast tracks, and a clear shoot for the wire in the last eighth of every start.

SUNDAY'S MATINEE.

One of the attractive features of Sunday afternoon's card at the matinee of the San Francisco-California Driving Club was the race in which lady drivers "had the call," Mrs. C. S. Payne, an eastern visitor, winning in straight heats and very nice time from her competitors. This is Mrs. Payne's second appearance at the exposition track as a driver, and the opportunity afforded her to indulge her pet hobby has added much to the pleasure of her visit at the big fair. Charles Becker with Jerry D. got away with the 2:18 pace, with J. C. Simpson and Emma M. furnishing most of the competition, while Bodaker, S. Christenson's game old warrior, decisively disposed of Harold Cohn's new trotter, Matawan, in the free-for-all. Decoto Boy earned the brackets for Frank Goularte by making it two straight in his event and St. Thomas took the slow trot after dropping one heat to Ateka. The summaries:—

First Race—2:25 trot:

St. Thomas	(R. Roberts)	2	1 1
Ateka	(B. Cohen)	1	3 2
Ida M.	(H. A. Boyle)	3	2 3

Time—2:26½, 2:23, 2:23½.

Second Race—2:15 pace:

Decoto Boy	(F. Goularte)	1	1
Hamburg Bell	(J. Ginocchio)	2	2
Tom Murphy	(E. T. Ayres)	3	3
Zoe Rankin	(H. Boyle)	4	4

Time—2:16½, 2:16½.

Third Race—Free-for-all trot:

Bodaker	(S. Christenson)	1	1
Matawan	(H. Cohen)	2	2

Time—2:15, 2:16½.

Fourth Race—2:18 pace:

Jerry D.	(C. Becker)	1	1
J. C. Simpson	(F. Goularte)	2	2
Emma M.	(W. Malough)	3	3
William Tell	(R. Roberts)	5	4
Marin	(P. F. Kane)	4	5

?Time—2:17, 2:16.

Fifth Race—Driven by women:

J. V.	(Mrs. C. S. Payne)	1	1
Ella Wilkes	(Mrs. Charles Becker)	2	2
Silkworthy	(Mrs. A. Ganjosp)	3	3

Time—2:28½, 2:30½.

Sunday's matinee left a bad taste in the mouths of a good many people owing to alleged crooked driving in the first race of the day, in which the drivers were R. Roberts with St. Thomas, B. Cohen with Ateka and Hugh A. Boyle with Ida M. The editor of this publication was not present and knows nothing of the case from personal observation, his information concerning the same being derived solely from subsequent conversation with various parties. The judges deemed that the conduct of the drivers was improper, and after the second heat applied the derrick to Mr. Boyle and put up Mr. Sexton. Tuesday evening at the club's regular meeting the matter was taken up by the board of directors, and after examination of numerous witnesses Messrs. Boyle and B. Cohen were suspended for sixty days, Mr. Roberts being requested to appear at the next meeting for an investigation of his alleged complicity in the case. During the week Mr. Boyle came into this office and asked that his statement of the matter be presented to the public, and the same follows:

San Francisco, June 24, 1914.

Breeder and Sportsman:—

I wish to make the following statement concerning the 2:25 trot at the matinee of the San Francisco-California Driving Club on Sunday, June 20, for the driving of Ida M. in which race I have come in for considerable abuse on the part of the daily papers and the public.

I made the entry for this race on Tuesday evening, June 15, and on the following day allowed her to be driven in a lady's race at the P.-P. I. E. meeting, in which she got all tangled up in her gait. On Saturday I had to work with her a long time to get her straightened out to go a mile in 2:35, and started her Sunday merely to fill in and keep from spoiling the race. I trailed with her carefully and she made no mistake and in the second heat I started to try to win with her, as I thought she would stand the drive. I pushed her as hard as I could without taking too much chance of making her break and was beaten only about a foot and a half in 2:23. The judges called me to the stand, set me down and put up Mr. Sexton. When he urged the mare she made the mistake I had feared in the second heat and was nearly distanced. I have offered to let any man try to beat 2:23 with her, including the man who claims I pulled her, and have had no takers.

One judge claims he saw me pull the mare, others charge me with crooked gambling. I bet $3 on Ateka the first heat because I thought she was the best. In the second I made no bets, and in the third I bet $15 on my mare because I thought she could win.

This is a plain statement of the circumstances as they actually happened.

Respectfully,

HUGH A. BOYLE.

In this connection the writer wishes to state that he prepared the above for Mr. Boyle's signature after Mr. Boyle had made known his wants and set forth verbally his version of the circumstances surrounding Sunday's affair. As payment for his "labor" the writer was tendered five bucks by Mr. Boyle, but unless the money has been spent in other channels Mr. Boyle still has it—and it looks like a long dry summer in the writer's line at that. Personally, the writer has no pronounced convictions in the case for or against the drivers suspended, but he does not agree with the action of the board of directors as taken Tuesday night. The San Francisco-California Driving Club is a gentleman's organization, and among gentlemen suspicious action in driving has absolutely no place. To the writer's notion, Messrs. Boyle, Cohen and Roberts should have been fully exonerated or expelled, once and forever. There should be no middle path in such a matter.—[The Editor.]

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This will make an attractive afternoon's sport, and the meat cutters invite everybody to come and help them have a good time. They have done well by the horsemen in giving such a card, and the public should show their appreciation by attending in goodly numbers.

OREGON STATE FAIR ENTRIES.

2:25 Pace—$500.

Halmetta by Hal B.—Lenmatta, S. A. Agnew, Centralia, Wash.; Lena Patch by Oregon Patch—Altalena, O. J. Brown, Gresham, Oregon; Hal Bear by Hal B.—Baby B., Hall Bessellen, Portland, Oregon; High Ho by Keeler—Heckel, A. R. Cooper, Vancouver, Wash.; Lady Hal by Hal B.—Lady Julia, H. C. Cox, Forest Grove, Oregon; Aurelia Lou by Kinney Lou—Aurelia B., R. Dixon, Vancouver, B. C.; Contention B. by Copa de Oro—Bonnie Ailsie, W. G. Durfee & Co., San Francisco, Cal.; Tosora by The Patchen Boy—Nique, C. A. Harrison, Seattle, Wash.; Savage Right by Mahosky Wainright—not given, T. R. Howitt, Gresham, Oregon; Mack Fitzsimmons by Bob Fitzsimmons—Jennie Mack, B. F. Jaggar, Portland, Oregon; Arlene K. by R. Ambush—Mildred E. K., E. C. Keyt, Salem, Oregon; Royal Express by Royal Regend—not given, Mary E. Kimball, Union, Oregon; Nigger Boy by Oregon Patch—Ditatris, John Lance, Agent, N. Yakima, Wash.; Zom Nortby Zombro—Nort, Mrs. Ione Mauzey, Scio, Oregon; Sally H. by Hal Hall—Crookedfoot, F. V. McCarthy, Salem, Oregon; Gloa Wren by Jubilee De Jarnette—Jenny Wren, Alex Mitchell, Vancouver, B. C.; Sonoma Maid by Mager Buferd—not given, E. Steinman, Agent, Baker, Oregon; Tempest, by Mager Buferd—not given, E. Steinman, Agent, Baker, Oregon; Tillamook Maid by Zolock—not given, W. F. Schultz, Forest Grove, Oregon; Ruth Hal by Hal B.—Dictatress, Fred Woodcock, Agent, Portland, Oregon; Courtney W. by Woodford Wilkes—Missie, Thos. E. Batell, Moose Jaw, Sask.

2:18 Pace—$700.

Hal Edo by Hal B.—Dove, W. S. Abbett, Portland, Oregon; Halmetta by Hal B.—Lenmatta, S. A. Agnew, Centralia, Wash.; Lena Patch by Oregon Patch—Altalena, O. J. Brown, Gresham, Oregon; Hal Bear by Hal B.—Baby B., Hall Bessellen, Portland, Oregon; Lady Hal by Hal B.—Lady Julia, H. C. Cox, Forest Grove, Oregon; Aurelia Lou by Kinney Lou—Aurelia B., R. Dixon, Vancouver, B. C.; Contention B. by Copa de Oro—Bonnie Ailsie, W. G. Durfee, San Francisco, Cal.; St. Elmo by King Alexio—Idlewise, Chas. Gholson, Gresham, Oregon; Savage Right by Mahosky Wainright—not given, T. R. Howitt, Gresham, Oregon; Prince Zolock by Zolock—Princess Direct, H. H. Helman, Agent, Salinas, Calif.; Royal Express by Royal Regend—not given, Mary E. Kimball, Union, Ore.; Nigger Boy by Oregon Patch—Dictatris, John Lance, Agent, N. Yakima, Wash.; Sally H. by Hal Hall—Crookedfoot, F. V. McCarthy, Salem, Oregon; Gloa Wren by Jubilee De Jarnette—Jenny Wren, Alex Mitchell, Vancouver, B. C.; Potrero Boy by Demonio—Potrero Girl, C. F. Silva, Sacramento, Calif.; Tillamook Maid by Zolock—not given, W. F. Schultz, Forest Grove, Oregon; Scarlet Trent by Not given—Not given, B. Thomson, Prince Albert, Sask.; Roxey Hal by Hal B.—Cricket, John Hoffman, Moose Jaw, Sask.

2:25 Trot—$600.

Bonnie Ansel by Prince Ansel—Bonnie Derby, Alex Brown, Walnut Grove, Calif.; Bon Diablo by Bonaday—Diavola L., S. M. Bush, Salem, Oregon; Al McK. by Bonney McK.—Rose Caution, J. A. Bush, Lewiston, Idaho; Going Some by Isom Alto—not given, Peter Coo, Ballston, Oregon; Peter R. by Blue Peter—Lady Snowflake, W. C. Dooley, Sprague, Wash.; Mercury by Merrimack—Berkilets, R. Dixon, Vancouver, B. C.; Virginia Barnette by Moko—Zephyr, W. G. Durfee & Co., San Francisco, Calif.; Jetlock by Zolock—Homlock, G. W. Gill, Salem, Oregon; Flora Dona Z. by Zombro—not given, P. J. McCormick, Seattle, Wash.; Salem Boy by Zom Nort—Norta, Mrs. Ione Mauzey, Scio, Oregon; Columbia T. by Bon Guy—May T., C. F. Silva, Sacramento, Calif.; Guy Light by Searchlight—La Moscovita, W. F. Schultz, Forest Grove, Oregon; Hallie B. by Hal B.—Zircon, Mrs. L. W. Watts, Portland, Oregon; Perrieo by Shepherd Laddie—Fern Clay, Ziegler & Misner, Portland, Oregon; B. & M. by Zombro—Amsel, Mrs. Ione Mauzey, Scio, Oregon; Claude Woodford by Woodford Wilkes—Missie, Thos. E. Batell, Moose Jaw, Sask.

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Tenth Day.

Friday, June 18, 1915.—With less wind than "graced" the proceedings earlier in the week and an improvement in the afternoon's card from a racing standpoint, a fair crowd turned out to witness the best sport that has been staged since last Saturday.

The three-year-old trot brought out three nice youngsters, all of which were seen on Pacific coast tracks last season in the junior divisions of various classics—Nicola B. (2) 2:23½, driven by Will Durfee, Carl (2) 2:19¾ piloted by Charley Durfee, and Hemet Stock Farm's Allie Lou (2) 2:25, behind whom was perched the doughty Alonzo McDonald. The Hemet entry has been well thought of for a long time and had shown a nice turn of speed, but the colt stakes of the last two seasons have been so painstakingly and thoroughly "Durfeeized" that the majority of those present rather expected the event to go to Nicola B., who had also done some good work during the season. Carl, the brother to Esperanza, also was known to be a good young trotter, but a sore finger had put him short of work and he was not figured as a serious contender. "Nic" drew the pole and with the black horse opened up a nice little lead in the first quarter, Allie Lou losing quite a bit of ground owing to a break before leaving the stretch. After settling, however, the brown filly responded to McDonald's call by trotting gamely around the turn and down the stretch, going into the turn past the half in second position and forcing Nicola B. to trot in 2:18½ to beat her. "Nic" showed the way to the three-eighths in the second heat, with Carl and Allie Lou on nearly even terms with him, the latter taking the lead past the half and never being headed, trotting her mile a quarter second faster than the first heat. The last heat looked like a real race between the winning pair, Nicola B. taking the lead to the quarter with the Hemet filly almost abreast of him, Carl going the long route. Down through Wind River Canyon Allie pushed her nose ahead of the Carlokin colts and went into the turn in the lead. In the stretch both youngsters were coming strong to the seven-eighths, with Carl apparently hopelessly out of it, when "Nic" went to a break that settled his chances, McDonald earning the crowd's approval by pulling his entry down almost to a walk to avoid shutting out the black colt driven by the elder Durfee. A winning of $2500 is a tidy start for a three-year-old filly, and Mr. Doble and A. L. Blackwell, who got her ready for her race here, promise that she will be still better in the fall.

After McDonald and McCloskey had given the other starters for the 2:14 trot the once over they decided to round up all the first moneys, and set about that task in a very businesslike and methodical manner—also a highly successful one. In the allotment of positions McDonald's luck held as usual, McCloskey getting the pole and going away in the lead, with Loe Blossom trailing, Bonnie Ansel third, and Dr. D. C., who was unsteady, last. Going around the turn Loe Blossom took out for the drive but spoiled her chances by breaking in the stretch, Bonnie Ansel trotting a fast last quarter and coming stoutly through the stretch to finish lapped up on McCloskey, the official time of the last quarter being 30 seconds and the big mare doing it a bit better. Bonnie led from the first turn until the final eighth the second time out, McCloskey having the legs of the party in the last brush and the time being nearly four seconds faster, Loe Blossom again breaking. The third heat, though not fast, was the nicest race of the three, the leaders being close together all the way. Dr. D. C. broke just as the word was given and McCloskey went away with Bonnie Ansel second and Loe Blossom third, close up. Down the stretch Childs tried for the lead by way of the inside passage but fell a bit short in his drive. In the stretch each driver called for what his mount had left and they buzzed the quarter in thirty flat, Loe on the pole being lapped up a bit farther on McCloskey's flanks than was Bonnie Ansel on the outside.

"Good, better, best" is the way Fleeta Dillon raced at the exposition meeting, and today was her best day—a straight heat win from a number of pretty good wigglers. The first time she started the crowd put it down as a lucky day for Lawrence Shuler when she saved her entrance; next time out they developed a little more regard for her, and tonight she has all the respect that is due a perfect lady with the brackets after her name in the Year Book. Directline was well favored by most of the spectators, and in the first score Fleeta evidenced just a wee bit of the old inclination to "trip the light fantastic," but came down good the next time and had copped the lead before well out of the stretch, never to be headed. Buzz Patch showed a good flight of speed at various parts of the mile that should make her useful with age and experience, and Directline finished strongly.

Having had a good heat thrown under her belt Fleeta was on her good behavior the next time and went to the front never to be headed, Directline and Miss Harris M. making most of the racing behind her. For the third heat Madam Mac decided to rehearse a little of the lines of a "leading lady," putting Fleeta behind her after passing the three-eighths, Fleeta being second and Directline third going into the turn. On the turn McDonald set sail with Miss Harris M., who is one of the nicest three-year-old pacers seen here in a long time, and in the stretch Fleeta, Miss Harris M. and Directline all passed the Madam who appeared to regard the long lane as a bit too long. Fleeta finished gamely and stood off the Peter the Great filly with Shuler sitting still and never lifting a hand. The lad gets along well with the nervous Sidney Dillon dame, and if she improves as much later in the season as she has here in three weeks she will be one "pacing fool" by fall. The summaries:

San Francisco, Friday, June 18, 1915.
Three-year-old trot, purse $5,000:

Allie Lou, br f by Kinney Lou 2:07¾—Lady Zombro 2:24¼ by Zombro 2:11.....(McDonald)	2	1	1
Nicola B., b c by Carlokin 2:07½—Atherine 2:16¾ by Patron 2:14¼.....(W. G. Durfee)	1	2	3
Carl, bl c by Carlokin 2:07½—My Irene S. 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½.....(C. A. Durfee)	3	3	2

Time—:34 , 1:10 , 1:45½, 2:18½
:34 , 1:10½, 1:45¾, 2:18¼
:34 , 1:09¾, 1:45 , 2:21

Distribution of purse—Allie Lou $2500, Nicola B. $1250, Carl $750, Association $500.

2:14 trot, purse $2,000:

McCloskey, br g by Theodosius 2:18½—Maggie C. by Odd Socks 2:20½.....(McDonald)	1	1	1
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby 2:20.....(Spencer)	2	2	3
Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide—Lillian W. by Harry Hontas 2:24¼.....(Frank Childs)	3	3	2
Doctor D. C., b g by Del Coronado 2:09½ (Nugent)	4	4	4

Time—:33½, 1:10 , 1:44½, 2:14½
:32 , 1:06¼, 1:40 , 2:10¾
:33¾, 1:09½, 1:45 , 2:15

Distribution of purse—McCloskey $1000, Bonnie Ansel $450, Loe Blossom $350, Doctor D. C. $200.

2:19 pace, purse $2000:

Fleeta Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon—Lady Hilda Hills by Wilkes Boy 2:24½ (Lawrence Shuler)	1	1	1
Directline, br h by Baron Direct—Woodland Echo by Woodline 2:19.....(Joe McGuire)	2	2	3
Miss Harris M., b f by Peter the Great 2:07¼—Mary Allen Stout by Ondale 2:23½ (McDonald)	4	3	2
Madam Mac, br m by Expressive Mac 2:25½—Daughter of Hawthorne.....(C. L. DeRyder)	3	4	4
Zoetrix, ch m by Zolock 2:05¼—Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½.....(Chadbourne)	5	5	5
Buzz Patch, bl m by Dan Patch 1:55¼—Heloise Grattan by Grattan 2:13.....(Macey)	6	6	6
Budweiser, br g by Hal B. 2:04½—Vevo by Altamont 2:26¾.....(Gilbert)	ds		

Time—:31½, 1:05½, 1:40 , 2:10¼
:32 , 1:06 , 1:39½, 2:10¾
:32 , 1:05¼, 1:40 , 2:11¼

Distribution of purse—Fleeta Dillon $1000, Directline $450, Miss Harris M. $325, Madam Mac $225.

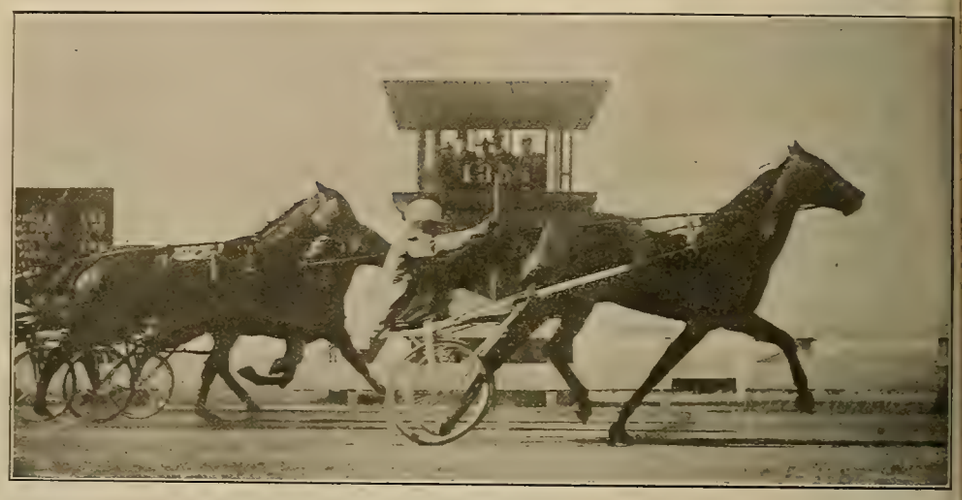
Last Day.

Saturday, June 19, 1915—White Sox, mainstay of the Berry-Durfee stable and darling of the California contingent in attendance at the exposition races, was declared queen of the coast this afternoon in one of the greatest demonstrations ever seen on a race track after she had wrested a hard won victory in the 2:06 pace from a field of seventeen of the crack pacers of the land. Through five gruelling heats the game bay lass carried the hopes of thousands of Californians who have cheered her and her driver to victory in former seasons, and when the contending horses jogged back to the wire from that last heat in which she snatched victory from what seemed impending defeat her admirers swarmed to the track in tens and scores and hundreds, each bent on paying her his homage and extending congratulations to her driver.

It was a great race. Description of it, however vivid, accurate, or detailed, cannot begin to do it justice. Only superlatives among adjectives are of use in telling of it, and they are too few to use without endless repetition. When the 2:07 pace was staged on opening day there were plenty who would admit that it was a wonderful affair, and that it might be a long time before a better one was seen. They were right, it might have been a long time, but it wasn't—only a short two weeks was to pass before they were to witness a greater one.

With Doctor Burns Jr. eliminated from the contest, it was a foregone conclusion that the pace would not follow the fashion set in the big trot on the preceding Saturday and be won in straight hea Plenty of horses had a good following present, w Hal Boy and White Sox the popular choices, thou others carried a world of deserved respect. With many starters and so much money involved, it w a cinch that it would be a race for blood, and t horses drawing good positions in the first heat wo have a whole lot the best chance for some big mon There were seventeen drivers in the race and sev teen drivers had identical ideas as to what th would do in that first heat if they failed to go aw with the leaders—drive one heat for a position another. Someone was bound to get the worst of and seventeen horses were in for an awful drive.

With Starter Updegraff, Clerk Kelley and Associa Judges Brown and Considine on hand to watch ca fully that he did not spring any Clark Street tricks demonstrating the truth of the shell game ada that the hand is quicker than the eye, Presidi Judge Mawnus Flaws rattled the little box and beg dealing out positions "without fear or favor," b with a heartfelt though unspoken prayer from t Kansas Kernel that the pole might not fall to a ba actor—and here the fates were kind both to t starter and to Willie Durfee. Hal Boy was numb one on the card, and as Flaws rolled the ball in h fingers the judges craned their necks to see th there were no "dupes" palmed in his lily white mit but Magnus is an honorable judge and the turning the flat side of the pea-ball revealed the fact th the northwestern king pin had been handed a platt containing a "dozen raw," or twelfth position. He are the balance as they came from the leather bottle Booze 6, Teddy Bear 3, Margot Hal 8, White Sox



FOURTH HEAT, 2:06 PACE
Hal Boy slips one over—The Beaver and College Gent battle for place.

Homer Mac 14, The Beaver 16, Red Rock 5, O. U. C 3, College Gent 4, Hemet 13, Impetuous Palmer 15 Little Bernice 10, Twinkling Dan 7, Walnut Grove 9 San Jacinto 11, Princess Patch 17.

With O. U. C. in the front tier there was many a Pleasanton fan present "honing" for him to be or his good behavior, but for a few scores he was very rank indeed—and when O. U. C. performs he per forms, not in any half-hearted way but spectacularly and with great zeal and enthusiasm. College Gent ordinarily a gentleman in any company, was another bad bird today, and Impetuous Palmer, who has a preference for plenty of room and not too much company, was finally placed on his own responsi bility. Eight scores had rather set Starter Updegraff to feeling for the hobbles, too, and when they came down the ninth time he gave them the word, with the Gent on a break and Margot Hal, entitled to a front tier position, clear in the drag on the outside; McDonald, not knowing that Kinney was on his own protection and forgetful of the right reserved by the association to start any heat after the fourth score, was not expecting the word on account of the fact that Impetuous Palmer was doing a solitary jig far behind the field.

Once away, O. U. C. forged to the front, closely followed to the quarter by the pack, among whom White Sox and Homer Mac were the nearest. Down through the Streets of Cairo, Homer wiggled his way to the front for a time, with Teddy Bear also getting into reaching distance, but going into the turn Sox and O. U. C. were once more up in the lead and finished that way, inches apart, in 2:05¼, with The Beaver and Hal Boy, who had wormed their way through from their starting point in the jungles, romping in third and fourth. Twinkling Dan, going a mile as good as the winner, or very nearly so, just missed the money, while Sandy Smith waved the red flag on half a dozen pacers who got away bad. Time—:30½, 1:01¾, 1:34¾, 2:05¼.

With the field cut to less than a dozen they were not so hard to handle and were sent away without much trouble, Hal Boy and White Sox going out into the lead for a quarter in thirty flat, Twinkling Dan

O. U. C. both getting in bad on the turn and ng several lengths. When Hal Boy hit the half r a minute and two and a half seconds had sed, and another fast mile was guaranteed, as ite Sox was right with him and Red Rock, Teddy ır, Homer Mac and The Beaver were all close up. ound the turn they raced in similar style, going to three-quarters in 1:35¼, and in the stretch Sox ssed the Boy for a half-length win, The Beaver and mer Mac indulging in a rousing drive for third ney and College Gent passing Teddy Bear and d Rock. The time of the last quarter was thirty t and Sox must have stepped it at least half a cond better. O. U. C. and Twinkling Dan did well save themselves from the evil machinations of e anarchistic Mr. Smith.

Now two heats in 2:05¼ in June are enough to ke the starch out of even a celluloid collar, and the lure of White Sox to head the summary in straight ats after such a performance was no surprise—e surprise would have come from such a winning. evertheless she set sail merrily the next trip and ok the bunch to the quarter in :30¼, Hal Boy and llege Gent outfooting her through the Moorish laze and rounding the turn into the home stretch length in the clear. The pace told on Hal Boy d Barney set out with College Gent and passed e little fellow, seeming for a few seconds to be od for a win. The Gent, however, had had to go few fair heats himself to save his bacon in the ce, and he, too, began showing signs of a desire to t in Barney's lap. This was "pickings" for O. U. C., d Frank passed Brother Marvin in a very unfra- rnal fashion and then collared the tiring Gent for win in 2:07¼, Sox, Homer and The Beaver also assing Hal Boy and leaving him unplaced for the nly time during the race.

The other race of the day had ere this been con- luded and the crowd was in for a twenty-five minute ait, but the arrival of the exposition's "beauty unch" guests about this time not only served to ass away the time for the crowd very pleasingly, ut also broke up the "zits" game in the press box, 's the famed delegation was allotted space just be- ind the pencil pushers. The spectators gave no igns of uneasiness over the delay, and when the ight pacers reappeared everybody was in the old amiliar place, looking forward eagerly to another ood contest—nor were they disappointed.

Now last year Hal Boy figured in but one race here the speed was of the sensational variety—the ne at North Yakima where he, College Gent and Dvieda rounded up their season's records—and there was considerable spectaculation during the winter as o his real staying qualities. Brother Marvin, how- ever, who has something under his hat beside a nice shock of hair and a sunny smile, had no doubts in his own mind as to what the Boy could do, and while the bunch were parading past him in the final quar- ter of the third heat he was laying his plans for the fourth and fifth. White Sox had already grabbed a big portion of the stake but there were five thousand large useful dollars to be distributed on the rank in the summary—and in the bushes one may ship many a weary mile and not race for five thousand plunks in a campaign of weeks. Also (whisper gently, Gen- evieve) there was a persistent rumor that the Omaha contingent had some nice bets on their horse to win the race, which was yet possible. Mr. Durfee, Jr. also had ideas of his own concerning this fourth heat, and Brother Frank's designs upon it were not wholly above suspicion.

Brother Frank, however, had none too much luck in the start and was shut off on the pole in a very few rods, White Sox, Homer Mac, The Beaver and College Gent all showing O. U. C. the way to the quarter. In the shuffle for positions in Hungry Hol- low Homer Mac and The Beaver both led at various times, and around the turn College Gent began a drive that landed him first at the three-quarters, which is exactly four hundred and forty yards, on reputable tracks, from the post where they pay off. Now comes Brother Marvin from back in the drag where he had had no wind to buck, and with not even an "excuse me, folks," he proceeded to improve his chances for that summary standing by passing the entire bunch of leaders for a safe win in 2:07¼. The Beaver and College Gent, the Canadian invad- ers, scrapping it out for place. The question as to Hal Boy's gameness was no longer a question. Dur- fee, endeavoring to get White Sox in the clear for the drive, got into a bit of wavy track that threw the mare off her stride and caused her to finish unplaced.

Only the four horses standing for the summary money were to come out for the fifth and final heat, and when Starter Updegraff announced that one more heat would be necessary for a decision, some enthusiast voiced the sentiments of the crowd by shouting "We'll be here"—and they were here. Most of the spectators you couldn't have forced off the grounds, as the race was just getting good. If Hal Boy won the heat and Sox was worse than second, the Omaha crowd would cash, though Hal Boy's actual winnings from the stake would be less than those of the Berry mare, but if Sox was as good as second, no matter who won the heat, the race was hers. Some fix, Agnes, some fix!

Considering the game they had been bucking, it was a pretty fresh looking quartette that answered the paddock call, and they took the word at a two- minute clip. White Sox on the outside came with an awful rush and Durfee began pointing for the pole, a cry of dismay going up from the steen hundred throats when the lass broke in the first eighth and the others passed her, The Beaver breaking soon afterwards and leaving Hal Boy and O. U. C. out in front by several lengths. The Omaha bets certainly looked good, but jubilation was premature, as Durfee soon had the mare settled and set grimly about put- ting her at the wire one-two. Down the stretch both Sox and The Beaver closed up a lot of distance and on the turn Sox was safe in the coveted second posi- tion, Hal Boy merely clinching second money by his win in 2:09¼. Down on the track swarmed the cheering multitude to grab Durfee's hand and con- gratulate the other winners as well; around the mare's neck dainty Miss Irene Whorff placed the floral wreath that was her insignia of rank as the pacing queen; ten thousand lusty lungs gave ap- proval of the trio, Miss Whorff, White Sox and Wilyum Gee; a dozen camera shutters clicked—and the exposition race meeting was over!

The other race of the day, the 2:15 pace, was also a contest that brought out a fair field and good time, though the big Demonio gelding, Potrero Boy, rather outclassed the balance of the entrants. Daniels drew the pole with the husky lad and went away in the lead, surrendering it to Lizzie Dillon owing to a break on the turn. He recovered quickly, however, and set about making up his lost ground in a very convincing manner. In the stretch Daniels tried to come through on the pole but the hole wasn't large enough when he got there and he had to be content to finish lapped up on Lizzie, whose win in 2:09¼ gives Sidney Dillon another one for the ten list. In the other heats Daniels won much as he pleased in slower time, though the Boy left his feet some yards from the wire the last trip, the judges deciding he had enough "edge" over the nearest horse to win anyway and placing him accordingly. The day in detail:

San Francisco, Saturday, June 19, 1915.

2:15 pace, purse $2,000:

Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio 2:11¼—Potrero Girl by Prince Airlie .....(Daniels) 2 1 1
Lizzie Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon—Angela S. by Silent Chimes .....(Marvin Childs) 1 3 5
Hedgewood Patchen, ch g by Hedgewood Boy 2:01—Lady Patchen 2:29¾ by The Patchen Boy 2:10¾ .....(McDonald) 4 2 2
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy 2:17½.....(Will DeRyder) 3 4 3
Pointer Belle, b m by Star Pointer 1:59¼—Dictatus Belle 2:24¼ by Dictatus 2:17.....(Frellson) 5 6 4
Star Tilden, br h by Star Pointer 1:59¼—Jessie Tilden by Roy Wilkes 2:06¼.....(H. G. Smith) 6 5 6
W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince—Psyche.....(W.Smith) ds

Time—:31 , 1:04¼, 1:38½, 2:09¼
:31 , 1:03½, 1:36½, 2:08¼
:31½, 1:05 , 1:39½, 2:11

Distribution of purse—Potrero Boy $875, Lizzie Dillon $450, Hedgewood Patchen $375, Dicto $250, Pointer Belle $50.

2:06 pace, purse $20,000:

White Sox, b m by Del Coronado 2:09½—Subito by Steinway 2:25¾ (W. G. Durfee) 1 1 3 5 2
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B. 2:04½—Altalena by Altamont 2:26¾ .....(Marvin Childs) 4 2 6 1 1
O. U. C., b g by C. the Limit 2:03¼—Rosie Woodburn 2:16 by Easter Wilkes.....(Frank Childs) 2 11 1 4 3
The Beaver, br h by Searchlight 2:03¼—Ripple 2:28½ by Glenbrook.....(Fleming) 3 3 5 2 4
College Gent, bl h by Kentucky Patterson—Belle H. by Senator Crisp.....(Barnes)10 5 2 3 ro
Homer Mac, br h by Petigru 2:10½—Eagletta 2:11½ by Ketchum 2:16¼ (Stewart) 6 4 4 6 ro
San Jacinto, b g by Geo. W. McKinney 2:14½—Dot by Del Norte 2:08.....(Jim McGuire) 8 9 7 7 ro
Twinkling Dan, br h by Dan Patch 1:55¼—Twinkle 2:05¼ by Mercury 2:21.....(C. A. Durfee) 5 10 8 ds
Little Bernice, b m by Del Coronado 2:09½—Pearl Pointer by Sky Pointer...(Walker)11 8 9 ds
Teddy Bear, b h by Del Coronado 2:09½—Queen S. by Sable Wilkes 2:18 (Daniels) 9 6 10 dr
Red Rock, ch g by Louis Wilkes 2:15½—Red Bird by E. S. 2:11¼.....(Joe McGuire) 7 7 11 dr
Princess Patch, b m by Dan Patch 1:55¼—International Queen 2:13½ by Tom Exum 2:14½ .....(Macey)ds
Margot Hal, b m by Argot Hal 2:04¾—Mary Campbell by Tennessee Wilkes 2:27.....(McDonald)ds
Hemet, br g by Geo. W. McKinney 2:14½—Lady Zombro 2:24¼ by Zombro 2:11.....(Blackwell)ds
Walnut Grove, bl h by Constantine 2:12½—Lindis by Jackdaw 2:28¼.....(Ruthven)ds
Booze, b g by Dupe—Daughter of Bay Bird .....(H. G. Smith)ds
Impetuous Palmer, b h by Impetuous Devil 2:21¾—Lilee Palmer by Norval King 2:12¼ .....(Kinney)ds

Time—:30½, 1:01¾, 1:34¾, 2:05¼
:30 , 1:02½, 1:35¼, 2:05¼
:30¼, 1:02½, 1:34¾, 2:07¼
:30¾, 1:03¼, 1:35½, 2:07¼
:31½, 1:05 , 1:37½, 2:09¼

Distribution of purse—White Sox $8,250, Hal Boy $3,000, O. U. C. $4,500, The Beaver $2,000, College Gent $1,250, Homer Mac $1,000.

CEDAR VALLEY SUMMARIES.

WEST LIBERTY, IOWA.

Wednesday, June 2, 1915.

2:08 pace, purse $400:

M. F. D., b g by Colonel Coot.....(Ruble) 1 dr
Columbia Fire, b g by Pactolus.....(Russell) 3 1 2
Franklin Pierce, by Avoca Wilkes.....(Pike) 2 4 1
May Davis, ch m by Borado.....(Smith) 4 3 3
Axcybeta, ch h by Axcyone.....(Angler) 5 2 4

Time—2:10½, 2:14¼, 2:12½.

Three-year-old 2:30 trot, purse $400:

Forrest Bingen, b c by Albingen.....(Forrest) 1 1 2
Pat Hathaway, b c by Border Knight..(Sanboro) 3 2 1
Last Sheet, b f by Mainsheet.....(Thomas) 2 3 4
Jessie, b f by Rythem.....(Milliman) 4 4 3

Time—2:24¼, 2:23¼, 2:24¼.

2:17 pace, purse $400:

Cora Blackford, ch m by Blackford Laddie.....(Thomas) 5 1 1
Joe Joe, b g by Baron Beautiful.....(Hammond) 1 2 3
Kimberly Patch, br s by iJm S. Patchen (Kelly) 2 9 dr
Frank P., br g by Dakota Spirit.....(Kampest) 3 7 9
Bell Rex, b m by Rex Guard.....(Morgan) 4 11 6
McVerde, b h by Zolock.....(Ward)10 4 4
Baron Watts, b h by Gen. Watts.....(Anderson) 15 10 2
Bessie R., br m by Geo. Sentell.....(Milliman) 8 3 8
Bessie Winfield 6-6-7, Daly Muscovite 7-13-dr, Par On 9-14-5, Helmetta 11-8-10, Oakland Bay 14-5-11, Sir Shelby 12-15-12, Red Rose 13-12-13.

Time—2:15¼, 2:17¼, 2:17¼.

Thursday, June 3.

2:24 trot, purse $400:

Grand Chimes, b h by Kentucky Chimes (Edman) 1 1 1
Major Direct, s s by Duke Direct.....(Moores) 2 2 2
Kemo S., b s by Kereri.....(Stivers) 3 6 3
El Bell Maden, b m by Almaden D.....(Ward) 4 3 4
Fanny Strong, b m by Strong Boy.....(Ruble) 5 4 5
Lieut. Aubrey, 6-5-6.

Time—2:17¼, 2:21¼, 2:19½.

2:13 pace, purse $400:

Lee Dale, br h by Archdale.....(Russell) 6 1 6
Gypsey Margrave, ro m by Margrave....(Taylor) 1 8 10
Miss Bell Patchen, b m by Missing Bell (Moores) 9 11 1
Hal J., b g by Hal B.....(Armstrong) 11 2 2
Gypsey Burns, b m by Bobbie Burns...(Reynolds) 2 4 4
W. S. Weber, ch g by Neponset.....(Anderson) 3 9 5
Star Brook, b h by Ashbrook.....(Crow) 4 5 8
Anona, s m by Ashbrook.....(Robbins) 5 3 3
Hal Nuthurst 7-6-7, Idol 8-10-9, Fanny Shirley 10-7-11.

Time—2:12¼, 2:12¼, 2:13¼.

2:14 trot, purse $400:

Billy Mead, b g by Medyone.....(Emerson) 1 1 1
Italian Aubrey, b h by Capt. Aubrey....(Thomas) 3 2 1
The Spartan Queen, br m by The Spartan.....(Thompson) 2 8 5
Doctor Wayo, b h by Wilkhurst.....(Ward) 4 3 3
Hiran B., bl h by General Forrest...(Anderson) 5 4 6
Silver Abbie 6-6-8, May Advice 7-7-4, Edward E. 8-5-7.

Time—2:13¼, 2:13¼, 2:13¼.

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June 8—2:30 trot, purse $400:

Grand Chimes, b h by Kentucky Chimes (Edman) 1 2 1
Nell Fellows, b f (4) by Peter the Great (Russell) 2 1 3
Grey Rex, gr g by Galileo Rex.....(Thompson) 6 4 2
Jack Archdale, bl g by Archdale.....(Kriese) 3 3 5
Ben Nutwood, b g by Dick Nutwood.....(Ward) 5 6 4
Byron W., bl h by Royal Reaper.....(Connor) 4 5 6

Time—2:19¼, 2:20¼, 2:20¼.

2:17 pace, purse $400:

Cora Blackford, ch m by Blackford Laddie.....(Thomas) 1 5 2
Joe Joe, b g by Baron Beautiful.....(Hammond) 2 1 ds
Daly Muscovite, b g by Muscovite.....(Aulgur)10 10 1
Belle Rex, b m by Rex Guard.....(Emerson) 8 2 3
Lena Marie, b m by George Muscovite..(Rodman) 6 3 4
Frank P., b g by Dakota Sphinx.....(Predmore) 3 4 8
Bessie R., b m by George W. Sentell..(Milliman) 4 6 6
Brown Abe 7-7-7, Kimberly Patchen 5-9-10, Sir Shelby 12-11-dr; three others also started

Time—2:15¼, 2:16¾, 2:17¾.

2:14 trot, purse, $400:

Billy Mead, b g by Medeyone.....(Emerson) 8 1 1
Italian Aubrey, b g by Captain Aubrey (Thomas) 1 3 4
Hiram B., b g by General Forrest.....(Anderson) 2 2 3
Doctor Wayo, b h by Wilkhurst.....(Ward) 3 6 2
May Advice, b m by Straight Advice..(Milliman) 7 4 5
Edward E., b g by Axius.....(Ruble) 4 6 8
Friar Tuck 6-5-7, The Spartan Queen 5-7-8.

Time—2:17¼, 2:15¼, 2:15¼.

June 9—2:08 pace, purse $400:

Columbia Fire, b g by Pactolus.....(Russell) 1 2 1
Franklin Pierce, b g by Avoca Wilkes.....(Pike) 2 1 2
Joe Murphy, br g by Chambertin.....(Sanders) 6 3 3
May Davis, ch m by Borado.....(Smith) 3 5 4
Peter Chimes, b g by Silent Chimes.....(Ruble) 5 4 5
Buck Muscovite, b g by Geo. Muscovite (Kathan) 4 5 6

Time—2:10½, 2:10, 2:11.

2:25 pace, purse $400:

Hedgewood Lad, br h by Hedgewood Boy.(Taylor) 1 8 2
Lucile De Forest, b m by The De Forest (Colbert) 6 1 5
Lucy Gay Dillon, gr m by Walter Dillon (Lacarde) 8 5 1
Baron Santos, bl h by Baronmore.....(Emerson) 9 2 4
Rexie, b g by Rex Guard.....(Edman) 2 12 9
John B., b g by Bullet, Jr.....(Anderson) 3 6 6
Baron Watts, b h by General Watts..(Anderson) 5 4 10
Prickly Pear, br g by Hal McKay.....(Crow) 5 4 10
Baron Wizard 12-9-7, Star Wilkes 7-10-8; three others also started.

Time—2:14¼, 2:17¼, 2:17¼.

2:25 pace, purse $400:

Walter Richmond, b g by New Richmond.....(Anderson) 1 7 1
Billy the Kid, b h by Bermuda Boy....(Connor) 7 1 dr
Bessie Winfield, b m by Star Allerton (Whitton) 4 4 2
Frezno, b g by E. J. .....(Peterson)10 2 3
Sister Pearl, b m by Argot Wilkes.....(Sanders) 2 8 8
Gratwood Maid, bl m by Gratwood.....(Myers)11 3 7
Eddie Dillon 6-5-6, Lady F. 5-11-10, Red Rose 12-9-5, Julia K. 8-6-9; two others also started.

Time—2:15¼, 2:17½, 2:18¾.

2:24 trot, purse $400:

Major Direct, ch h by Duke Direct.....(Moore) 2 1 6
Lieutenant Aubrey, b c (3) by Captain Aubrey..(Thomas) 3 3 1
Fanny Strong, ch m by Strong Boy.....(Ruble) 1 8 9
Dette, bl m by The Director General...(Ward) 4 8 2
El Bell Maden, b m by Almaden D.....(Edman) 6 6 3
Allie Watts, b f (3) by General Watts...(Stivers) 8 4 8
Kemo S., b h by Kerei.....(Kelly) 7 1 5
Bill Rhodes 7-9-5, The Iowa Tramp 9-5-7.

Time—2:17¼, 2:17½, 2:21¼.

June 11—2:18 trot, purse $400:

Goldbandore, ch g by Goldmine, Jr.....(Ruble) 1 2 2
Great Northern, br g by Wayland W.....(Ward) 2 2 3
Jim O'Shea, bl g by Jim McKiver.....(Garen) 4 10 1
Sure Mike, br h by Peter W.....(Kelly) 7 1 5
Miss Frances Rogers, b m by Baron Phallas..(Edwards) 6 6 4
Sweetwood, b m by Nowood.....(Casey) 9 4 6
Lilah G. 8-5-7, Judge Spencer 5-9-8, John D. 10-8-9, Silver Abbie 11-7-dr.

Time—2:16¼, 2:17¼, 2:16¼.

2:13 pace, purse $400:

Gypsey Margrave, ro m by Margrave....(Taylor) 1 1
Miss Belle Patchen, b m by Missing Bell..(Moore) 2 6 1
Hal J., br g by Hal B.....(Armstrong) 5 3 2
Axcybetta, ch h by Axcyone.....(Ruble) 4 4 3
M. F. D., b g by Colonel Coit.....(Aulgur) 3 2 10
Gypsey Burns, b m by Pilot Burns.....(Roper) 8 11 4
Lee Dale 7-5-7, Anona 6-8-6, Star Brook 11-10-5, Fanny Shirley 10-9-9; two others also started.

Time—2:11¼, 2:09¼, 2:11¼.

Three-year-old trot, purse $400:

Forest Bingen, b c by Albingen.....(Forest) 1 1 2
Pat Hathaway, b c by Border Knight.....(Ruble) 3 2 1
Last Sheet, b f by Mainsheet.....(Thomas) 2 3 3
Jessie B., b f by Rhythm.....(Milliman) 4 4 5
Azoff, Jr., ch c by Azoff.....(Colbert) 5 5 4

Time—2:20¼, 2:20¼, 2:19¾.

In the hope that saddle horse breeders would rally to its support, the State Agricultural Society has extended the date of closing for the gaited saddle horse futurity to July first. Do not overlook this opportunity for your gaited foals this season.

White Sox—An Equine Fairy Tale

Being a Harmless Narrative of Charley Durfee's Dogy Filly and Some of Her Descendant

"Years and years ago, before your time and my time and before lots of other people's time" — which, if memory serves us not false, is the proper introduction to a genuine, old-fashioned, honest and truly fairy tale — there lived down in a little town called Los Angeles, a colt named Bob Mason. He was the talk of the town in the early eighties, and the man who helped develop him and watched him pick up speed like a real race horse decided that he could use another of the same kind very handily in his business, so he picked on a filly located not far from where he lived, owned by a man named Workman. This horse scout's name, lest you get a little uneasy in your mind as to what this fairy tale is about, was Charles A. Durfee (the A., as we have previously remarked, being the abbreviation of Mr. Durfee's middle name, which is McKinney), and the filly he bought was a bay lass named Geraldine, by Echo and out of a daughter of the thoroughbred stallion Rifleman, a true pioneer among stallions of the Golden Slope.

In possession of his new prize, C. A. set about training her at Los Angeles to be a world beater, but while she had a good turn of speed and apparently wanted to trot all right, she had some physical deficiency that hurt her when asked to go beyond a certain limit, and Charley worked long and hard without making much headway.

Now to turn back another page or two, Durfee had in his stable at this time, the year of grace one thousand eight hundred and eighty-three, a son of Legal Tender and the Graves Mare by Volunteer 55, rejoicing in the appellation of Dashwood. Evidently the breeder had great hopes of this lad when he named him, and endeavored to give him something to live up to in the way of a name, but these fond hopes were defeated. Dashwood never lived up to the name, but the name exactly fitted Dashwood, as he would dash—and that was all. He would, could and did step quarters right at thirty seconds, but a quarter was about as far as he cared to go, thank you, and he never achieved a record. He was bred to a few mares that spring and was a very slow server.

The stage is now properly set for the next scene, which reveals a stable boy walking a bay mare up and down the cooling out trail before the Durfee stables. At one side you will observe a stall door, the upper portion open, revealing a prancing stallion. In another portion of the foreground we call your attention to a rather irate gentleman, one C. A. D.,—flustered because Geraldine, in spite of all his efforts, was failing to live up to his hopes of her. Suddenly he observed that the mare, still hot from her work, was in season, and on the impulse of the moment he strode to the door of the stud's stall, threw it open, and nature did the rest.

Now "Pa" Durfee's opinion of Dashwood was not mountain high, and after he had cooled down a bit he hoped the mare had failed to catch, so that he might breed her to another and more worthy sire, but of course her case was settled—she was safe with foal, and in the spring of 1884 gave birth to a filly. Some time later, not over three or four months, Charles A. decided that it was possible that a year's let up had helped Geraldine, and he put her in training again—incidentally with no great success. His opinion of Dashwood had not increased in leaps and bounds in the meantime, and as he figured that the filly foal would never be worth a counterfeit nickel anyway, he left the little lady on good grass to rustle for herself. She was named in a few little "home affairs" of colt stakes, but would never do, of course, so why worry about her?

Now let a few months pass and the year of 1886 roll around. Young stake trotters were not numerous in sunny Southern California, it looked like a case of very small fields in the stakes, and Charles A. bethought himself of a certain filly down on the salt grass pasture that had stake engagements. He hadn't seen her for a long time, but he went down and got up one that answered to the description, a nice big filly, and brought her to the track, marveling at the growth that she had made under such unfavorable circumstances. He didn't marvel long, however, for a neighboring horseman came along and after asking C. A. whatinell he meant by taking up that filly, proceeded to prove his ownership of her. Charles A. had simply and unintentionally taken up the wrong filly, and with his pasture boss to help him pick out the right one he made another trip to the salt grass.

Deponent further sayeth that C. A. "alibied himself" by admitting that he saw his own filly at a distance on his original trip, but had mistaken her for a coyote. She was a little bit of a scamp, wild as any doe, with a mane and tail full of burrs—but she was a stake colt, and stake colts were scarce. A good cow horse and a lass-rope were needed to round her up and deliver her, still scrapping, at the Durfee stables, but delivered she was, and broken she was, and a stake trotter she became. In 1887 she was second to Soudan in the first colt race at Los Angeles, won a three-minute trot a few days later, and in October beat Tom Rice and Cadmus in the Southern California stake for three-year-olds.

By this time she had a nice name to go along with her record as a campaigner—Leonor. In after years she obtained a record of 2:24, trotted a lot of honest races for the elder Durfee, and became a brood mare of quality. For her original owner she raised Jenny Mac 2:09 (dam of Silver Coin 2:10), Dr. Book 2:10, Miss Jessie 2:13¼ (dam of Cuate 2:13¼) and Leonora McKinney (dam of Hope So 2:27¼). For another another Californian (C. A. had a habit of selling her and buying her back) she raised the pacer Judd 2:13¼, and when Henry B. Gentry purchased McKinney 2:11¼ she also passed to that gentleman's ownership and took a long journey to the east, since which time she has given birth to Ideal McKinney 2:21¼, Zealous 2:26¼, and Wallace McKinney 2:26¼, a speed sire. All in all, the ragged little runt of the salt grass pasture, the result of a "mistake" in breeding and an eloquent exemplification of the old belief in the survival of the fittest, must have added some ten thousand dollars to the Durfee exchequer.



CLOSING SCENE AT THE EXPOSITION MEETING

Dainty Miss Irene Whorff, winner of The Chronicle's beauty contest, decorating White Sox with the insignia of Racing Queen of the Pacific Coast—The substantial gentleman with the smile-cracked physiognomy is Willie Durfee.

Now the names of most of the horses mentioned in the preceding paragraph fall familiarly on Californian ears, and have a tang reminiscent of the name of Durfee, either the father or one of the boys, more especially son William, having driven them to victory in more than one hard fought battle. Son William in the days with which we are at this moment occupied was growing into a husky young horseman with ideas of his own as to how to breed, train and race trotters and pacers. The one of them with which we are most concerned, however, is Jenny Mac who late in the fall of 1899, piloted by Will Durfee, became the first of the daughters of McKinney to appear in the 2:10 list, and the second of the family of any sex to grace that select company, into which Coney had preceded her by but a matter of weeks with a record of 2:07¾. Previous to this time, in 1897, her owner, Dr. W. P. Book, had sent her to the Cook farm to be bred to their premier stallion, Steinway, and the year before she took her fastest record she had raised a male foal, afterwards to be raced to fame by Will Durfee as Silver Coin 2:10. To the cover of Steinway she also produced a filly, which became the property of the younger Durfee, and which, though possessed of a smooth natural gait at the pace, received practically no training, as she left the Durfee ownership and was put to breeding.

Perhaps it may seem to you, gentle reader, that we are a darned long time getting to White Sox, but we should worry—yes? no? We have have a slight advantage over you in the respect that we draw salary for doing this whether you read it or not, so we will take our time and you can do as you darned please. At this juncture, however, we get just a little closer to our real subject by introducing into the picture the portly form of one Mr. Clarence Berry, made up to represent a sturdy Alaska min wresting riches from the bosom of old Mother Eart via the placer mining plan. Observe the flume i the rear center and at the left a dutch oven loade to the guards with sourdough biscuit, while on th "meat hook" formed by sharpening a lower limb o a jack pine in the shade of the big rock you ma note a generous quarter of raw elk meat. The pi ture really is allegorical, or reminiscent to say th least, as at this time Mr. Berry had, to a very larg extent, abandoned the joyous pursuit of wealth i the wilds and had entered upon the much more pr carious and hazardous occupation of keeping it whil living in civilzation.

Always an ardent lover of horses, one of Mr Berry's chief pleasures after his years of roughing i in the gold fields was derived from owning, drivin and racing a small stable of trotters and pacers Things ran on with varying success until some few years ago when he got Will Durfee to take home from the Pleasanton meeting a horse that, in another trainer's hands, had failed to make good. One day some weeks later at the track at Los Angeles, Durfee, knowing Mr. Berry's qualities as a sportsman and his ability to buy what he pleased, asked him why he didn't try to get hold of something really good. Some slight conversation will now be shown on the screen by a cut-in.

"Lead me to it," says C. J.

"Look 'em over," says Wilyum Gee, casual like, waving his hand toward the stables and corrals.

"That's her," remarks C. J. some moments later, indicating a bay mare of pleasing type.

"Wow!" says Wilyum Gee, for he had sort of a fondness for that lass himself, and the dicker was on. Once he had picked his critter Clarence was not to be shaken off easily, and negotiations were concluded by the mining magnate becoming the owner of the bay mare, a full sister to Silver Coin 2:10—by Steinway 2:25¾, a world's champion and a sire of champions; dam Jenny Mac 2:09, the first daughter of McKinney to become a 2:10 performer or a producing matron; grandam Leonor 2:24, "Pa" Durfee's old bread-winner that he offered for sale right off the salt grass for a measly fifty bucks; great-grandam Geraldine, a double producer that could breed even if she couldn't race, by Echo; great-great-grandam a daughter of that hardy pioneer that "come by de plains across" in the days now long gone by, the thoroughbred Rifleman.

The mare (need we say it?) was Subito—"subito," in pure Castilian, being something infinitely sooner than "manana," something vastly quicker than "pronto." In our crude way, personally, if one should ask us for a free translation of "subito" we would

lean to the expression of opinion that it is the superlative of "poco damn prontito," as we say on the border.

Mr. Berry's ambition was not merely to own a good race horse but to breed one, so Subito, bred to be a fast mare and endowed to all appearances with the qualities necessary to greatness in a campaigner, was not put in training but was set to service as a brood mare, being stinted in the season of 1904 to Petigru 2:10½, not yet sold for export. The resultant foal was a high strung filly that cut herself up in wire fences in a wild runaway, was broken while too sore to fight, and later trialed trotting in 2:21, though she never attained a mark. Will has her at Los Angeles, and as Pavlowa B. she is beginning to acquire fame as the dam of Rico, the two-year-old pacer by Manrico 2:07¼ that is showing so well in the Durfee stable at present.

Before another year rolled around Mr. Berry had become the owner of a stallion registered as Menlow 51476, a son of Mendocino that obtained a record of 2:29½ under the name of McCormick, and for two years Subito was mated to him, the first foal being a filly, the second a colt. The filly made Mr. Berry a "2:10 breeder," as she grew to maturity and raced to a record of 2:06¾ as Blanche. W. G. raced her first and she then passed to H. H. Boomer and was marked at Phoenix by Frank Childs, Mr. Tom Pollock then becoming her owner. Mr. Pollock still has her and she may race again in the future. The stud colt by Menlow was called Aviator, and could fly both high and fast. He was a variety artist, judging from reliable sources of information, who suffered no shame in comparison with Alarich, the diving elk, or even O. U. C., and as a three-year-old paced in 2:08¼ in July. As a four-year-old he had negotiated halves below :59 before the old man with the sickle rounded him up for the long trail to horse heaven.

After giving birth to Aviator in the spring of 1907, Subito was bred on the advice of Will Durfee to the McKinney stallion Del Coronado, who stood very high in the young reinsman's estimation on account of his previous performances, his best record to that date being 2:09¾, made the previous summer at Woodland, which mark was to be bettered in 1908 when he met the Grand Circuit trotters at Syracuse. The foal of 1908 was a bay filly with two white hind pasterns. You guessed it—

White Sox!

It has been a long time coming, but here we are.

It was Mr. Berry's ambition to breed a fast trotter, and with that desire in mind Durfee gave her all her early education at that gait. She was entered in a number of stakes and as a three-year-old progressed to a mile in 2:16 but was not deemed ready to race and was carried over. In the spring of 1912 she was bred to Manrico before the Durfee stable went east with two world's champs in the car, Don Pronto and Manrico, but failed to get with foal. She ran out that summer and in the winter was again put in training and made speed very nicely. She made six starts and acquired a win race record of 2:13¼ at Pleasanton at her second engagement there, having been distanced in the second heat of the event in which she first appeared on that classic course. While the Durfee stable was at Santa Rosa, where Sox had no start, she worked that track for Mr. Berry in 2:09¾, Will remembering that the mile was some seconds faster than he himself could get out of her. This chap Berry, by the way, is a real skinner himself, and Will threatens to save him a driver's fee in the next big stake by putting him up to do the scouting behind his favorite mare. If we are not overlooking a bet somewhere, Mr. Berry's mile behind Blanche in 2:10½ at Pasadena probably stands as the record for amateur drivers on two-lap tracks in this state. Now don't all speak at once if it doesn't. Just break it to us gently, even if we are accustomed to being called a liar and then having it proved on us.

Back at home in winter quarters, the strategy board, of which Captain Barnette was one of the leading figures, decided that White Sox' best opportunities for the future were as a pacer, and without recourse to the use of the Indiana drawers she was converted to that gait. Before the season was well under way the word was on the wireless that Willie Durfee had a real pacer to succeed Guy Borden in his stable, and on July 15, over the home track, the lass took a record of 2:08. At Salinas in her first start in company she was 2-5-5 to Airlie Demonio, Oro Mo and A. B. C., and at Santa Rosa she hit 'em up for a straight-heater in 2:07¼, 2:08, 2:10¼. At Woodland she administered a similar pill to a field of six wigglers in 2:07¼, 2:09, 2:07. On September 12 at Sacramento she won in easy fashion from Pegasus, Star Tilden and McVerde, and then came her two battles with Clara Mac, Clara winning the first in 2:07½, 2:05¾ and 2:06¾, and the second in 2:05¾, 2:04½, White Sox taking the second heat of the last engagement in 2:06¼. This race put Clara out of the running for the 2:06 pace here this spring, which failed to hurt Durfee's feelings, no doubt. At Salem the girl won nicely from a field of eight in her first start, but was drawn after two heats in the mud in her second contest, winning the first one in excellent time. The balance of her history has been written elsewhere in the past fortnight and is too familiar to stand repetition.

While White Sox did not turn out to be the fullest fruit of Mr. Berry's desire in the trotting line, "there are others" that may yet bring to him the realization of his dreams. In 1909 Subito foaled a filly to Del Coronado's embrace, but it was injured as a yearling and is being bred at the Durfee establishment to Carlokin. In 1910 she proved barren and was stinted to Carlokin, Del Coronado's successor in Will Durfee's esteem, and safely foaled a bay filly, The Lark (3) 2:18¼, now a promising four-year-old. She is both trotter and show mare, and over the exposition track, which has proved none too pleasing for the trotters, she has worked in 2:12½ with a half in 1:03¾, so that she looks good for the 2:10 list at no far distant date.

The foal of 1912, also a Carlokin, died as a two-year-old after showing eighths in seventeen seconds, but the foal of 1913, by Manrico, is alive and trotting and as chipper a baby as one could wish to see, Miss Rico (2) 2:21¼, winner of the fastest heat of the two-year-old trot at the exposition meeting. Se has worked in 2:19 and as evidence of a truly great flight of speed has covered an eighth in :14½. This is whizz with a vengeance, and if old Mr. Jinx will keep in the clear one or the other of these fillies ought to be the real goods in coming years. In 1914 Subito foaled a filly by Copa de Oro 2:01 and is again bred to the great pacer, having lost her foal to his cover of last season.

If ever a victory in a race on this coast was a popular one, that of White Sox, Will Durfee and Clarence Berry was "it." Not even the invaders could begrudge it, and as for the way it suited Californians—weren't you there? Well, if you were not on deck there is no use trying to tell you about it, anyway. It was an occasion that demanded seeing, but you can all join us in a hearty expression of good will that will not only reach Durfee and the mare in Los Angeles, but eventually get through to Mr. Berry at Circle City, as he sailed for Alaska last Monday—almost before his nerves were normal after the tension of Saturday. Wherever they are—here's luck and lots of it!

IN THE BLUE GRASS.

Lexington, Kentucky, June 13.—During the past week there was some lively stepping by the trotters and pacers in training at the Breeders' track. The fastest of the work was done before the rain Friday afternoon, when John W. Davis drove Lizzie Brown in 2:13, 2:12½ and 2:12, the last quarter of the third mile in :31¼. This represents the best repeat work done by any trotter here this season. A subscription to the Transylvania has been taken for Lizzie Brown, and it is further intended to campaign her on the Grand Circuit.

James Snell drove Sweetie F. p. 2:08½ in 2:11, the last eighth a fraction slower than :14. Roy Miller had started a mile just before Snell with Roya McKinney 2:09¾, and they traveled the last eighth together. The work watchers said that Roya McKinney had trotted her mile in 2:14½. This filly is the property of Empire City Farms, and is one of the best four-year-olds in this section. Thorne Worthy 2:11¼ trotted in 2:16½, and Worthetta McKinney (2) 2:14¾, Empire City Farms' reliance for the Kentucky futurity, trotted in 2:18½. The two-year-olds, Rowena Worthy and Ashland Worthy, in the same stable, trotted in 2:24½ and 2:24¾, respectively. Miller also drove J. L. Tarlton's Lady Anne (2) 2:29¼, three-year-old half-sister of Airdale 2:09 and Lord Allen 2:11, a mile in 2:17, and his two-year-old Signola in 2:27. He likewise drove Dr. B. F. Batten's Kentucky futurity candidate, Tregantle's Pride, in 2:21½.

James D. Arspiger drove Mowitza in 2:11½, first half in 1:04¾. He said he felt she was going more freely than he intended, and he took her back the last half. This mare surely can beat 2:10.

Jim Laughlin showed a mile in 2:12½ with J. L. Dodge's Hollyrood, a candidate for the Kentucky futurity. Laughlin is a new comer to the ranks of the candidates for honors as a reinsman, though he has long been in service as an attendant in the stable.

H. C. Moody drove U. Forbes 2:12¼, Kentucky futurity candidate, in 2:20, last quarter in :32½. He also drove Suldine (1) 2:24¾, son of Worthy McKinney, and the fastest yearling of 1914, a mile in 2:23, and repeated in 2:23¾, last quarter of the second mile in :33. The only other two-year-old by Worthy McKinney has been a mile in 2:30. He is owned by Harry Montgomery and is being trained by Henry Williams at a farm near Georgetown. Moody also drove Willa Guy and Phoebe Sterling each in 2:17½, last quarter close to :33.

One of the fastest three-year-old fillies at the track is in Henry Horine's barn. She is registered as Miss La Jolla, by Peter the Great, dam La Jolla, by Ashland Wilkes, out of Grace G., by Alfred G., and she out of Mattie Swope. She was purchased some time ago by Dr. E. M. McKee, a distinguished surgeon of this city, and he changed her name to Lady McKee. He has kept her good in the Kentucky futurity, and other stakes, and if she continues to train as well as she has all season, she will be one to think about when racing time comes. She worked Friday morning in 2:19½ with lots up her sleeve.

John H. Dickerson, who is getting ready to go to the races, worked Bonington 2:06½ in 2:12½, last half in 1:03, last quarter in :30; Barbara King 2:15¾, in 2:13½, last half in 1:03½; Harlem Express 2:22, in 2:15, last half in 1:03½; Pony Express 2:22¼, in 2:19, last half in 1:07, last quarter in :32; Amina King 2:22, in 2:20, last half in 1:07½, last quarter in :32½; King Bellini 2:12¼, in 2:15½, last half in 1:04, and Atlantika (2) 2:20½, half in 1:06½, quarter in :31½. Etawah 2:03¼ was sent to Dickerson from Castleton last Tuesday and has already been a quarter in :30. Anvil 2:02¾ is also in Dickerson's barn. W. B. Dickerman, owner of the Hillanddale Farm horses, has been here for several days and is well pleased with the work they have done. David M. Look, the master of Castleton, is also here.

James Snell has been instructed by Middleton S. Burrill, of New York City, to take up and break his yearling brown colt, Middleton B. by Barongale, out of Immaculate 2:15½, and he will be sent to the track tomorrow morning.

Smith N. Whitcroft of Washington, Pa., accompanied by his friend, W. N. Orr of Apollo, Pa., is here with a view to buying a couple of horses if he can find just what he wants.

W. W. Milam, aged 70, one of the veteran trainers and drivers of trotters in this section, died at his home in Winchester, Ky., Friday, and was buried in the cemetery in that city. "Professor" Milam, who in his younger days was a teacher of the violin and a dancing master, drove a number of good horses in his time, but his greatest success was achieved with Oakland Baron when he won the Kentucky futurity, which had an aggregate value of $20,000, in 1895. The previous year he won the historic Lexington stake with Oakland Baron, and in 1893 he won the Kentucky stake with Eoline.—Horse Review.

NORTH YAKIMA ENTRIES.

2:08 pace, purse $750—Delmas, Big Squaw, Hal Norte, Allerdaw, Red Hal, Haltamont, Indian Hal, Teddy Bear, Mack Fitzsimmons, Dan Logan, Della H., Scarlet Trent.

2:12 trot, purse $750—Starost, Marquarita, Bonnie Ansel, Sargo, Kid Cupid, Merry Mac, Dan Matthews.

2:20 pace, purse $600—Bell Smith, King Zolock, Sonoma Maid, Elfreda D., Ruth Hal, Glad Wren, Rotheda, Hal Edo, Jennie May, Halmeta, Potrero Boy, Mac Fitzsimmons, William G.

2:18 pace, purse $600—Lady Hal, St. Elmo, Lena Patch, Nigger Boy, Elfreda D., Hal Norte, Tillamook Maid, Hal Edo, Aurelia Lou, Halmeta, Prince Zolock, Scarlet Trent.

Three-year-old trot, $200 and added money—Lindsay, Henry P., Robt. Kinzer, Oregona, Sela Cruzados.

Two-year-old pace, $200 and added money—Capt. Mc., Jerusha Dillard, Flyspoke, Boniquee.

Three-year-old pace, $300 and added money—Recall, Babylight, Sonny Jim, Maude Bond, May Day Hal.

2:25 pace, purse $500—Lady Hal, Malde De Fine, Sonoma Maid, Tempest, Lena Patch, Terry Ham, Nigger Boy, Lady Woodside, Hal Bear, Tosora, Nellie J., Elfreda D., Ruth Hal, Glad Wren, Tillamook Maid, Royal Express, High Ho, Aurelia Lou, Sally H., Halmeta.

2:20 trot, purse $600—Mark H., Gen. Brightheart, The Frisco, Bonniola, Flora Dora Z., Guy Light, Hallie B., Eloise Dell.

2:25 trot, purse $600—Going Some, Amy McKinney, Hops, Sedge Sparrow, Lathrop, Flora Dora Z., Guy Light, Al McK., Hallie B., Mercury, Columbia T.

2:15 trot, purse $600—Mark H., The Frisco, Marguerita, Sargo, Wild Girl, St. Michaels, Dan Mathews.

2:30 trot, purse $600—Going Some, Amy McKinney, Hops, Sedge Sparrow, Lathrop, Peter R., Flora Dora Z., Bonnie Ansel, Nellie Mack, Zombro Nun, Bon Diablo, Perrieo, Columbia T., Mercury.

2:12 pace, purse $750—Glenrose, St. Elmo, Truxton King, Hal Norte, Harold Welcome, Park Wood, Albia, Hal Edo, Bonnie Antrim, Indian Hal, Potrero Boy, Prince Zolock, William G., Star Tilden, Scarlet Trent.

Free-for-all pace, purse $750—Allerdaw, Red Hal, Haltamont, Indian Hal, Teddy Bear, Jim Logan.

LOVED AROUND THE WORLD.

Few hotels indeed are there whose fame has reached farther into all parts of the world than has that of The Palace in San Francisco. Under its hospitable roof have been entertained visitors of all degrees and every clime in the many years of its existence, and again and again its old guests return and bring new ones—truest testimony of the hold the big caravansary has upon their affections. Horsemen have loved it for years and made it their headquarters, always sure of a warm welcome from "the Colonel," who did so much for both hotel and horsemen. The Colonel's cheery greeting comes no more, but the comforts of The Palace become more and more pronounced as the years roll by, and within its walls still reigns the hospitable spirit of an older San Francisco. Typical of California is The Palace, and not to visit it during trips to the coast is to miss one of the rarest of opportunities for an indulgence in pure enjoyment and genuine comfort.

OPEN CLASSES AT SALEM.

Elsewhere we present the fields in the three early-closing events for the Oregon State Fair that filled on July first, and here we wish to call the attention of horsemen in the west to the array of purses that are still open, to close August 13, on which date horses must be eligible to the classes in which they are entered. For the trotters will be found the three-minute class for $300, the 2:15 class for $700, the 2:30 class for $500, the 2:12 class for $2,000, the 2:20 class for $700, and the 2:09 class for $700, while the pacers have open to them the 2:10 class for $700, the 2:08 class for $2,000 and the 2:20, 2:15 and 2:12 classes for $700 each. There is also a three-minute trot or pace for $300 to close at the same time, and a mile dash, distance handicaps, for horses of both gaits, purse $500, to close September 14.

Aside from the meetings at the P.-P. I. E., the program at Salem is the most pretentious one to be given on the coast this year and the patronage accorded it should be substantial. Racing opportunities are few and far between for Californians, and a number of local stables are pointed for the northwest.

Statistics of June Meeting at Exposition

COMPILED BY WILL M. NEAL.

No harness race meeting ever held on the Pacific Coast aroused the interest of the general public to such an extent as did the one just passed into history, held in connection with the Panama-Pacific International Exposition. Throughout the meeting this publication has endeavored to give its readers a comprehensive account of its various events, paying especial attention to the thoroughness of the summaries, giving the primal facts concerning every starter, where known. To conclude the report the following self explanatory tables are submitted, believing that they will be found of much use and interest to professional or amateur horsemen, or even to mere lovers of the game. Preserve them for future reference.

The Winners by Classes with the Time and the Purse.

Trotting Events.

Class.	Winner and Driver.	No. of Heats.	Fastest Heat.	Slowest Heat.	Value.
2:30	McCloskey (McDonald)	3	2:09¾	2:12½	$ 2,000
2:08	Peter McCormick (V. L. Shuler)	3	2:09½	2:11½	5,000
2-y-o	Anvilite (C. L. DeRyder)	3	2:21¼	2:24¾	2,000
2:16	Virginia Barnette (W. G. Durfee)	3	2:10¼	2:12	2,000
f-f-a	*Maymack (Bob Smith)	3	2:11½	2:13¼	1,000
2:20	*Agnes Carter (Decker)	3	2:15¾	2:17½	1,000
2:25	Bon Cres (Chadbourne)	3	2:16¼	2:23½	2,000
2:18	Laramie Lad (McDonald)	3	2:10¼	2:11¾	2,000
2:30	*Brutus (Christenson)	3	2:14¾	2:16½	1,000
2:10	Spriggan (Will DeRyder)	3	2:08¼	2:09½	20,000
2:14	*Bonnie Ansel (Brown)	3	2:16¼	2:18¼	1,000
2:12	Adbell M. (McDonald)	3	2:10¼	2:13¼	2,000
2:20	Spriggan (Will DeRyder)	3	2:09½	2:11	2,000
3-y-o	Allie Lou (McDonald)	3	2:18¼	2:21	5,000
2:14	McCloskey (McDonald)	3	2:10¾	2:15	2,000
	Total for trotters				$50,000

*Amateur.

Pacing Events.

Class.	Winner and Driver.	No. of Heats.	Fastest Heat.	Slowest. Heat.	Value.
2:07	The Beaver (Fleming)	3	2:05¼	2:05¾	$ 2,500
2:25	A. B. C. (Chadbourne)	3	2:08½	2:10¼	2,000
2:11	Hal Boy (Marvin Childs)	3	2:06¼	2:07½	2,000
3-y-o	Agnes Patch (Maccy)	2	2:20½	2:21¾	3,000
2:15	*Bradmont (Sexton)	3	2:13¾	2:15	1,000
2:17	Potrero Boy (Daniels)	3	2:08¼	2:11¼	2,000
f-f-a	Leata J. (Frank Childs)	3	2:05¾	2:06¾	5,000
2:20	*Bondalean (Silva)	3	2:11¼	2:12½	1,000
2:20	O. U. C. (Frank Childs)	3	2:07½	2:10¼	2,000
2-y-o	May May (Reynolds)	3	2:25	2:31	1,000
f-f-a	*Leata J. (Jones)	3	2:11	2:13½	1,000
2:19	Fleeta Dillon (L. Shuler)	3	2:10¼	2:11¼	2,000
2:15	Potrero Boy (Daniels)	3	2:08¼	2:11	2,000
2:06	White Sox (W. G. Durfee)	5	2:05¼	2:09¼	20,000
	Total for pacers				$46,500

*Amateur.

The Way the Money Went Among the Drivers.

Winnings of Drivers in Professional Classes.

William G. Durfee, Los Angeles, Cal.	$17,137.50
Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis, Ind.	12,237.50
William DeRyder, Pleasanton, Cal.	11,525.00
Frank Childs, Pleasanton, Cal.	9,400.00
Marvin Childs, Pleasanton, Cal.	5,481.25
V. L. Shuler, Indianapolis, Ind.	4,562.50
W. W. Fleming, Winnipeg, Man., Canada	4,556.25
Loren B. Daniels, Sacramento, Cal.	2,287.50
Barney Barnes, Winnipeg, Man., Canada	2,093.75
John Quinn, San Jose, Cal.	2,050.00
Fred Chadbourne, Pleasanton, Cal.	1,925.00
Charles L. DeRyder, Pleasanton, Cal.	1,925.00
Lawrence Shuler, Indianapolis, Ind.	1,925.00
Railey Macey, Minneapolis, Minn.	1,883.35
James Stewart, Los Angeles, Cal.	1,593.75
Joseph F. McGuire, Denver, Colo.	1,475.00
Charles Spencer, Pleasanton, Cal.	1,450.00
H. S. Dowling, Woodland, Cal.	962.50
A. L. Blackwell, Hemet, Cal.	750.00
Charles A. Durfee, Oakland, Cal.	750.00
Abe Reynolds, Fresno, Cal.	666.65
George Nugent, Phoenix, Ariz.	500.00
Bert Webster, Pleasanton, Cal.	450.00
Al Whitney, Chicago	362.50
William Ivey, Sacramento	300.00
Hans Frellson, San Francisco, Cal.	100.00

Winnings of Drivers in Amateur Classes.

Charles F. Silva, Sacramento, Cal.	$1,412.50
Bob Smith, Los Angeles, Cal.	850.00
Charles Becker, San Francisco, Cal.	801.00
W. Smith, San Francisco, Cal.	675.00
T. D. Sexton, Oakland, Cal.	525.00
A. D. Brown, Walnut Grove, Cal.	500.00
S. Christenson, San Francisco, Cal.	500.00
Chester Jones, Stockton, Cal.	500.00
Harold Savage, Minneapolis, Minn.	225.00
Harold Cohen, San Francisco, Cal.	150.00
D. E. Hoffman, San Francisco, Cal.	125.00
G. P. Machado, Decoto, Cal.	100.00
H. C. Ahlers, San Francisco, Cal.	62.50
A. Combatalade, San Francisco, Cal.	62.50
P. J. Howard, Alameda, Cal.	62.50
Adolph Ottinger, San Francisco, Cal.	62.50
F. E. Wright, Sacramento, Cal.	37.50
W. J. McDonnell, San Francisco, Cal.	25.00

Earnings of the Winners and How They Raced.

TROTTERS

Name of Horse	Number of Races	Heats contested	Heats First	Heats Second	Heats Third	Heats Fourth	Heats unplaced	Amount Won
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney	3	9	5	3	1	0	0	$11,275.00
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko	3	9	3	3	3	0	0	5,450.00
Peter McCormick, br h by Peter the Great	2	6	2	2	0	1	1	4,562.50
McCloskey, br g by Theodosius	3	9	5	1	0	2	1	4,175.00
Allie Lou (3), br f by Kinney Lou	1	3	2	1	0	0	0	2,500.00
Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide	3	9	1	2	4	0	2	1,675.00
Laramie Lad, b g by Master Bo	2	6	2	2	0	0	0	1,500.00
Albaloma, b g by Almaden D.	1	3	1	0	1	1	0	1,250.00
Nicola B. (3), b c by Carlokin	1	3	1	1	1	0	0	1,250.00
Adbell M., b h by Moko	1	3	3	0	0	0	0	1,000.00
Anvilite (2), b c by The Anvil	1	3	2	1	0	0	0	1,000.00
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel	3	7	3	2	1	0	1	950.00
The Duchess, ro m by Allerteen	1	3	0	2	0	1	0	937.50
Bon Cres, bl h by Bon Voyage	2	4	2	1	0	0	1	875.00
The Proof, br h by The Exponent	2	6	1	1	2	2	0	800.00
Carl (3), bl c by Carlokin	1	3	0	1	2	0	0	750.00
Tropic Dawn, b m by Symboleer	2	6	0	2	4	0	0	700.00
Baron Todd, br h by Todd	2	4	1	2	0	0	1	625.00
Esperanza, b m by Carlokin	1	3	0	0	2	1	0	625.00
Baby Doll, b m by Tom Smith	1	3	0	0	0	1	2	500.00
Maymack, b m by Arthur Wilkes	1	3	3	0	0	0	0	500.00
Miss Rico (2), br f by Manrico	1	3	1	2	0	0	0	500.00
Tom Smith, b g by Greenrol	1	3	0	3	0	0	0	500.00
Eloise Dell, br m by Alconda Jay	2	6	1	3	0	2	0	487.50
Brutus, b g by Strathway	1	3	2	1	0	0	0	437.50
Agnes Carter, b m by Nutwood Wilkes	2	4	2	0	1	0	1	412.50
Moko Hall, bl h by Walnut Hall	1	3	0	0	3	0	0	300.00
Nataldy (2), br g by Wilbur Lou	1	3	0	1	2	1	0	300.00
Princess Louise, b m by Del Coronado	1	3	0	0	3	0	0	300.00
Columbia T., b m by Bon Guy	1	3	1	1	1	0	0	287.50
Jean Arion, b m by Arion	1	3	0	2	1	0	0	225.00
Doctor D. C., b g by Del Coronado	2	5	0	0	0	3	2	200.00
John Gwynne, b g by McMyrtle	1	3	0	0	0	3	0	200.00
Seneca Boy, ch g by King Entertainer	1	3	0	0	0	3	0	200.00
The Expense (2), b f by The Proof	1	3	0	0	1	2	0	200.00
California B., b g by Athasham	1	3	0	1	2	0	0	175.00
Kid Cupid, ch g by Cupid	3	9	0	1	2	0	6	175.00
Robert Bingen, b h by Bingen	1	3	0	0	2	0	1	150.00
Matawan, b g by Athadon	3	8	0	1	0	1	6	112.50
Muggins, ch g by Jack Hawkins Jr.	3	7	0	0	2	0	5	112.50
Graham Bellini, b h by Bellini	2	6	0	0	1	1	4	100.00
Birdeye, ro g by Birdman	2	4	0	0	1	1	2	62.50
Bodaker, ro h by Antrim	1	2	0	1	0	0	1	62.50
Howard's Comet, b g by Teddy Ray	2	3	0	1	0	0	2	62.50
Copper the Ore, bl m by Direct Heir	1	2	0	0	1	0	1	37.50
Bessie Custer, ch m by Ed Custer	1	2	0	0	0	1	1	50.00
Future Tramp, b g by Trampfast	1	3	0	0	0	1	2	25.00

PACERS

Name of Horse	Number of Races	Heats contested	Heats First	Heats Second	Heats Third	Heats Fourth	Heats unplaced	Amount Won
White Sox, b m by Del Coronado	3	11	3	1	1	1	5	$9,312.50
O. U. C., b g by C. the Limit	4	11	5	1	1	1	3	5,750.00
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.	3	11	5	3	0	1	2	4,531.25
The Beaver, br h by Searchlight	3	11	3	3	3	1	1	3,656.25
Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney	2	6	4	1	1	0	0	2,250.00
College Gent, bl h by Kentucky Patterson	3	10	0	2	2	3	3	2,093.75
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio	3	9	3	4	0	2	0	1,975.00
Fleeta Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon	3	9	4	1	1	2	1	1,725.00
Homer Mac, b h by Petigru	3	10	1	0	3	3	4	1,593.75
Agnes Patch (3), b f by Dan Patch	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	1,500.00
Directline, br h by Paron Direct	3	9	1	3	3	0	2	1,125.00
A. B. C., bl g by Young Monterey	2	6	1	1	2	2	0	925.00
Hedgewood Patchen, ch g by Hedgew'd Boy	3	9	0	4	1	3	1	875.00
Clara Mac, br m by Expressive Mac	1	3	1	0	0	0	2	812.50
Oro Lou (3), ch c by Kinney Lou	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	750.00
Zomblack, bl h by Zombro	2	6	1	1	2	0	2	700.00
W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince	4	10	1	4	3	1	1	675.00
May May, br f by Athasham	1	3	2	1	0	0	0	666.65
Bradmont, b g by Alto Leyburn	2	6	3	0	0	0	3	500.00
Lizzie Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon	2	6	1	0	1	0	4	450.00
Rodney Patchen, br c by Joe Patchen II.	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	450.00
Bondalean, br c by The Bondsman	1	3	2	0	0	1	0	400.00
Red Rock, ch g by Louis Wilkes	2	6	0	1	2	0	3	350.00
Judith Patch, b f by Dazzle Patch	1	3	1	2	0	0	0	333.35
Miss Harris M., b f by Peter the Great	1	3	0	1	1	1	0	325.00
Dr. Burns, Jr., b h by Dr. Burns	1	2	0	1	0	0	1	312.50
Teddy Bear, b h by Del Coronado	2	6	0	1	0	1	4	312.50
Sheldon B., b g by Barney Barnato	1	2	0	0	0	2	0	300.00
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium	3	7	0	0	2	1	4	250.00
Imbro, br h by Zombro	1	3	0	0	1	2	0	225.00
Madam Mac, br m by Expressive Mac	2	5	0	0	1	2	2	225.00
Dick W., b g by Athadon	1	3	0	2	0	1	0	213.50
Mabel Dillon, ch m by Sidney Dillon	2	6	0	1	1	2	2	200.00
Frank Perry, b g by Toddington	2	4	0	1	2	0	1	175.00
Trix McAdrian, br m by McAdrian	2	6	0	1	1	1	3	162.50
Zoetrix, ch m by Zolock	2	6	0	0	1	1	4	125.00
John Malcolm, br g by Dan Logan	1	3	0	0	1	1	1	62.50
Pointer Belle, b m by Star Pointer	2	4	0	0	0	1	3	50.00
Princess Patch, b m by Dan Patch	2	4	0	0	0	1	3	50.00
Jim Donnelly, b g by Lijero	2	6	0	0	1	0	5	37.50
Jack, bl g, untraced	2	5	0	0	0	1	4	25.00

This concise summary of the first and only race meeting ever given in connection with a World's Fair will be found invaluable in the future to horsemen and lovers of the sport of racing harness horses. There is always room for some slight error in a compilation of this nature, but every care has been taken to make figures that appear herewith the proper ones.

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FIXTURES.

terstate Association Tournaments—

uly 8, 9, 10—The Interstate Association's Tenth Pacific st Handicap Tournament, San Diego, Cal., under the pices of the Pastime Gun Club; $1,000 added money. nner of first place in the Pacific Coast Handicap guar- eed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaran- d $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guar- eed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also warded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

ugust 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's teenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chi- o, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first ce in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 d a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and rophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a phy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a phy, and the winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and rophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. ner E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

tegistered Tournaments—Pacific States and Terri- ies:

uly 1, 2—Vancouver Gun Club, C. A. Porter, Secre- y, Vancouver, Can.

uly 5—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President, reka, Cal.

uly 5—Sunrise Gun Club, H. S. Hill, Secretary, Sun- e, Wyo.

uly 5—Holbrook Gun Club, J. S. Hulet, Secretary, lbrook, Ariz.

July 9, 10—Gem City Gun Club, Max Weick, Secre- ry, Laramie, Wyo.

July 12—Rawlins Rod and Gun Club, H. Breitenstein, cretary, Rawlins, Wyo.

July 12, 13, 14—Los Angeles Gun Club, Fred H. Teeple, cretary, Venice, Cal.

July 19, 20, 21, 22—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secre- ry, Tacoma, Wash.

July 24—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, W. S. Short, Sec- tary, Chehalis, Wash.

July 28, 29—Delta County Gun Club, Nick Powell and . A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

August 10—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, Presi- ent, Medford, Ore.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Sec? etary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secre- ary, Williams, Ariz.

WESTERN HANDICAP.

Never was a handicap pulled off under better con- itions than those prevailing at St. Louis, Mo., dur- ng the week of June 14, when the tenth Western Handicap was held. The tournament was held on he grounds of the St. Louis Trap Shooting Associ- tion and under the auspices of the Missouri Athletic Association. The grounds were perfect in condition; every imaginable detail had been looked after, and when Manager Shaner arrived on the scene, he found a shooting grounds on which a Grand American could have been held. The perfecting of all the arrange- ments was due to the faithful work of James W. Bell, most ably assisted by Louis Ebert. Five traps were used which worked smoothly through the week. Not a hitch occurred to delay the shooting from start to finish. The entrance in the Western Handicap on Thursday was the largest so far recorded in the his- tory of the event, 230 names being listed by the cashier. The local shooters turned out nearly 100 strong. The office force was headed by "Uncle" Jimmy Head, as cashier; D. H. Eaton, compiler of scores; C. T. Brantzell and J. PH. Germer, assist- ants. Wm. Tanner had charge of the bulletin board. The Missouri Athletic Association officers are: W. B. Willis, chairman trap committee; F. P. Ford, vice- chairman, and J. O. Victor. They all took an active part in the shoot. The members of the Gun Club committee were H. W. Geller, chairman, Col. J. A. Laird and Robt. Niedringhaus. The Handicap Com- mittee was selected from the shooters present and consisted of: J. W. Bell, St. Louis; J. A. Campbell, Tulsa, Okla.; G. K. Mackie, Lawrence, Kansas; G. Dering, Columbus, Wis., and T. L. Andrews, Law- renceville, Ills.

On the morning of June 14 an open match for the Hazard Trophy was shot, with twenty entries, Guy Dering of Columbus, Wis., winning on a score of 93 out of 100—50 pairs; S. A. Huntley, the former holder, was runner up with 88.

High scores were the feature of Monday, preliminary practice day, twenty-seven of the 58 entrants going out with 96 or better. G. W. Akard, of Humansville, Mo., was the star performer, leading the field with a straight score of 100; J. B. Goodbar, Memphis, Tenn., Woolfolk Henderson, Lexington, Ky., J. Noel, Nashville, Tenn., S. A. Huntley, Omaha, Neb., and W. S. Spencer and F. J. Reppenhagam, St. Louis, in a bunch on 98, followed by Guy Dering, Columbus, Wis., G. T. Hall, Laonie, Ill., J. W. Bell, St. Louis, Mo., and C. H. Dittean with 97 each. In the professional division, high honors were shared by J. R. Graham, Ingleside, Ill., and C. G. Spencer, St. Louis, with .99 each. Bart Lewis, Auburn, Ill., and J. R. Taylor, Columbus, Ohio, 98 each; T. H. Fox, Lynchburg, Va., R. W. Clancey, Chicago, Ed O'Brien, Florence, Kansas, H. Kennicott and Art Killain, St. Louis, F. G. Bills and Tom A. Marshall, Chicago, 97 each. The banner squads of the afternoon were Nos. 3, G. Dering, J. R. Graham, Wm. Raup, John Noel, and R. W. Clancy, and No. 7, B. Williams, Art Killam, J. W. Bell, D. J. Holland and C. B. Eaton, each making a perfect score of 100 in the second event. In the fifth event the same squads tied on a total of 99, G. Dering and B. Williams each dropping one target. The records showed 27 shooters with scores of 96 to 100, an indication of the class of the contestants, and of what might be expected before the big races were decided. The day was cloudy, with light showers in the afternoon. The program of five 20-target events was started promptly at 1 p. m. and finished at 2:55, being pulled off without a hitch of any kind. Several long runs were recorded during the afternoon. J. W. Akard headed the list with 100 straight; F. J. Reppenhagan 82; H. J. Donnelly 54; J. W. Bell 65; J. B. Goodbar 61, and G. T. Hall 64.

The shooters were greeted with clear skies on Tuesday, the opening day of the tournament, and the weather was ideal, not too warm for comfort and with no wind to disturb the flight of the targets. Under these conditions and considering the class of the contestants, good scores were expected, and were certainly made. The opening of the tournament was preceded by a short speech from Manager Elmer E. Shaner, who mentioned the superb condition of the grounds, giving deserved praise to James W. Bell and his able assistant Louis Ebert, for their efforts which have given St. Louis one of the finest shooting grounds in the country. At 9:15 T. H. Fox, the popular southern professional, fired the first shot in the program of the ten 15-target events, and at 2:10 the last squad sheet was brought to the office. The amateur class was headed by C. C. Plummer, A. M. Burr, G. W. Ball and E. S. Winbigler, with 148 each. Following them were A. C. Buckles, A. C. Connor and Geo. K. Mackie, with 147 each. In third place were A. H. Campbell, J. B. Goodbar, W. Henderson, J. Noel, J. W. Akard, D. J. Holland, S. A. Huntley, J. S. Frink and P. Baggerman, with 146 each. Art Killam, who has taken a leading place in the professional ranks this season, tied with Ed O'Brien for first place on 149. J. R. Taylor, the Columbus, Ohio, crack, and big Fred Bills of Chicago, were second, with 148 each. J. R. Graham occupied third place alone on 147. The special event at 25 pairs, followed the regular events, and was finished at 4:10 p. m. Forty-three shooters entered the event, D. D. Gross finishing high over all with 48. John Noel, of Nashville, Tenn., was at the head of the amateur class, and next to Gross, with 46, tying for second place with Ed. O'Brien on 46. John R. Taylor was third with 45. It is getting to be one man's job to keep track of the runs made by the long run trophy hunters, and it surely keeps him busy. A few of those recorded are: A. M. Burr 117, A. C. Buckles 110, A. Killam 109, W. S. Spencer 106, J. W. Akard 105, E. S. Winbigler 95, F. J. Reppenhagan 90. Thirty-five other contestants made runs ranging from 50 to 89.

A more beautiful day never greeted a crowd of anxious shooters than welcomed them on Wednesday, Preliminary Handicap day. Fresh, cool, and with a light breeze in the early morning, the day was all that could be asked for. Late in the afternoon a rain storm passed over the city, but the shoot was concluded and no damage was done. There were 124 entries in the morning's events at 100 targets, and this number was increased to 130 in the Preliminary Handicap. The quality of the contestants may be judged from the fact that considerably over half of the entrants in the regular events finished with over 90. C. C. Plummer of Swan River, Manitoba, led the ameteurs with 99; C. R. Ray, D. J. Holland and P. Baggerman, all local men, were only one target behind, with 98 each, and closely following them came W. E. Byrn, G. L. Dering, A. C. Connor, C. B. Eaton, W. Henderson and J. S. Frink with 97 each. The professionals had a merry struggle among themselves, finishing in bunches, with Ed. Banks, R. W. Clancy and Art Killam in the first flight on 99 each. O. R. Dickey, J. R. Graham, Ed. O'Brien and J. R. Taylor, giving them a hot race, and losing out by only one target, with 98 each. Then came T. H. Fox, Bart Lewis and and H. D. Gibbs, with 97 each. There may have been squads just as good as No. 18—S. A. Huntley, J. W. Akard, W. Henderson, A. Killam and J. R. Graham—but none could have been better, for in event 4 each member broke straight, making a squad record of 100. Squad 8, in event 2, and squads 17 and 19 in event 4, each made a total of 99. The Preliminary Handicap was hotly contested, and good scores were the rule. The handicaps were fixed by the following committee: J. A. Campbell, Tulsa, Okla.; J. W. Bell, St. Louis, Mo.; Geo. Mackie, Lawrence, Kansas; G. V. Dering, Columbus, Wis., and T. L. Aidrews, Lawrenceville, Ill. That its work was fairly done is evidenced by the fact that not a complaint das heard. When the last returns were in it was found that J. B. Goodbar of Memphis, Tenn., with a total of 97, from the 19 yard mark, was high, and he was awarded the first place trophy. F. Knittel, 16 yards, was runner-up with 96. A bunch of seven were tied for third trophy on 95: A. M. Burr, M. C. McGeehob, G. W. Ball, T. M. Ehler, each at 19 yards; Woolfolk Henderson, 23 yards, B. A. Ehrlich, 18 yards, and J. S. Frink, 20 yards. In the shoot-off J. S. Frink won with 19; A. M. Burr and T. M. Ehler, 18 each; M. C. McGeehan 17, and B. A. Ehrlich 15. Henderson and Ball withdrew and did not take part in the shoot-off. In the professional class in the Preliminary C. G. Spencer finished in the lead with 95 from the limit distance of 23 yards; W. T. Crosby, also at 23 yards, and L. Ebert at 20 yards, tied on 94 for second place. H. Kennicott, 22 yards, 92, and H. J. Donnelly, 20 yards, 91.

Thursday, Handicap day, was another one of ideal conditions for shooting. The attendance was larger than on the previous days and the contestants were closely watched by a large gallery of spectators, among them being many ladies. The morning events were well filled and many good scores were recorded. D. J. Holland set the mark of 100 straight, and was followed by J. W. Akard, S. A. Huntley, C. Funderbrenk and A. H. Campbell, only one target behind, 99 each. In the next place, with 98 each, were J. W. Bell, C. F. Linde, L. Seidner, W. J. Wauf, J. B. Goodbar and P. Baggerman. The professionals were just as classy as the amateurs in their work. J. R. Graham accounted for the whole century and Art Killam, W. R. Crosby, Ed O'Brien and F. G. Bills, dropping but one target each.

The Western Handicap event was closed with a record entry of 230. The contest was a close one, F. A. Snell, Carlinsville, Ill., 18 yards, W. J. Raup, Portage, Wis., 20 yards, and G. L. Grubb, Wetmore, Kansas, 20 yards, tying for first place on 97. In second place were A. C. Connor, Springfield, Ill., G. T. Hall, Laoni, Ill., J. H. Noel, Nashville, Tenn., and C. C. Plummer, Swan Lake, Manitoba, all at 20 yards, with 96 each. Then came M. L. Barr, Perry, Mo., 16 yards, and J. W. Bell, the well known St. Louis shot, 19 yards, with 95 each. The shoot-off for first money and trophy was a hot one. In the first round the men tied on 18. The second round settled the winner of first place, W. Raup scoring 19 and the others tying on 18. Then followed the shoot-off for second and third trophies. The first two rounds resulted in ties on 18 and 20. The next time Snell won on a score of 19 to 16 and took second trophy, Grubb getting third. The professionals also finished well up in the list. G. H. Ford, Nashville, Tenn., 16 yards, Ed. Banks, Wilmington, Del., 20 yards, J. R. Graham, Ingleside, Ill., 23 yards, 95 each; H. D. Gibbs, Union City, Tenn., 22 yards, 94; O. R. Dickey, Boston, Mass., 18 yards, Bart Lewis, Auburn, Ill., 21 yards, and J. R Taylor, Columbus, Ohio, 22 yards, 93 each. A complete list of long runs would require too much space. A few of the longest follow: C. C. Plummer, 212; D. J. Hollans, 73, 82, 119; D. D. Gross 106, 79; A. C. Buckles 115; J. W. Bell 79, Bert Waggoner 83, C. Funderburk 104, H. W. Cadwallader 115, Dr. W. Spencer 106, 61; J. W. Akard 105, 101, and several of 50 and better; C. G. Spencer 51 from 23 yards, and 106; Art Killam 109, 136 and 109. J. R. Taylor 100, 79; J. S. Frank 74; P. Baggerman 71, 70; E. Winbigler 95; J. R. Graham 177; A. H. Campbell 98; E. J. Linde 81; G. T. Hall 80. Squads 3 and 17 recorded straight scores of 100 in events 2 and 5.

D. J. Holland and C. C. Plummer tied for high amateur average on 344 out of 350. P. Baggerman 342, J. S. Frink and S. A. Huntley, 341.

Preliminary Handicap purse—82 entries at $5, $410; 5 penalty entries at $8, $40; 1 penaltry entry for targets only at $2, $2; 42 entries for targets only. 140 total entries, $452.00; added money, $100.00; total purse, $552.00.

Scores of 97 first money, $82.80; 96 second money, $71.75; seven 95's received $38.65 each; one 94 paid $22.10; five 03's paid $14.35 each; twelve 92's paid $2.75 each.

Western Handicap purse—80 entries at $8, $640; 3 penalty entries at $13, $39; 2 penaltry entries for targets only at $2, $4; 145 entries for targets only. 230 total entries, $683.00; added money, $200.00; total purse, $883.00.

Eighteen moneys, first, $132.45; 2nd $114.80; 3rd $88.30; 4th and 5th $70.65 each; 6th $61.80; 7th $52.95; 8th and 9th $44.15 each; 10th $35.30; 11th to 13th $26.50 each; 14th to 18th $17.65 each.

The $5.00 optional on 100 targets had 10 entries, 3 moneys, 99 paid $25.00, 98 paid $15.00, three 97's paid $3.30 each.

Squier money-back purse—50,000 targets at 1c, $500; 90 entries first day at $1, $90; 101 entries second day at $1, $101; 98 entries third day at $1, $98; total $789.00. Losses paid in full, 384.00. Surplus, $405.00.

Twenty-seven moneys 1st, $48.60; 2nd $44.55, 3rd $40.50, 4th $32.40, 5th $32.40, 6th $28.35, 7th $24.30, 8th and 9th $20.25 each, 10th $16.20, 11th to 13th $12:15 each, 14th $8:10, 15th to 27th $4.05 each.

Optional $5.00 sweep on 350 targets of regular program, 21 entries at $5.00, $105.00; six moneys first, $31.50, on score of 344; second $21.00, third $15.75, fourth $13.65, fifth $13.10, sixth $10.50.

Optional sweep on 150 targets on the 15th; 20 entries at $5.00; 6 moneys, three 148's paid $21.65 each, six 146's paid $5.80 each.

The $1.00 optionals in each event had 21 entries: In event 1 the 15's paid $2:10; event 2 15's paid $2:10; event 3 15's paid $3.50; events 4 and 5, 15's paid $1.90 each; events 6, 7 and 8, 15's paid $2.10 each; events 9 and 10, 15's paid $1.75 each.

Optional sweep on 100 targets June 16: 12 entries at $5.00. 99 paid $18.00, 97 paid $12.00, two 96's paid $8.40 each, 94 paid $7.20, 92 paid $6.00.

Optional $1.00 sweep on each event, 16 entries, event 1 the 20's paid $3.20, event 2 20's paid $2.25, event 3 20's paid $4.00, event 4 20's paid $3.20, event 5 20's paid $4.80, 19's paid 20 cents.

At the Traps

Golden Gaters.—The regular monthly blue rock shoot of the Golden Gate Gun Club at West Alameda, June 20, attracted an eight squad firing line.

"Bud" Havens was high average gun in the regular program of 50 blue rocks, with 48 out of 50. Andy Flickinger of Vallejo pointed his "door-knobbed" pump gun for 47 out of 50. B. Beckteil also ran a total of 47. Wilkes ran third with 46 birds.

The cup shoot at 20 birds was the opening skirmish. Havens and Fred Webster each scored 20 birds straight. This match was shot in 10 bird sections. Roy Avery, Tom Wilkes, Barney Worthen, Colonel J. W. Dorsey, R. E. McGill, Flickinger and "Swat" Terrill each scored straight tens in this event.

Tom Wilkes snuffed out 20 straight in the challenge cup race, at 20 clay pigeons. Seven other contestants were but one bird behind the leader. This shoot was also shot in two 10 bird frames. The ten straight men were: Converse, Lon Hawxhurst, Worthen, C. A. Haight, Havens, Flickinger, A. H. Beetham, Ed Forster and Billy Price.

In the subsequent challenges, Havens won out by twice scoring straight runs of 20 birds for the champion class cup. Worthen and Tom Wilkes each broke 19 out of 20, Billy Price won the first class challenge with 17 out of 20, and tied on 18 birds with R. H. Phinney in the second contest. Roy Avery ran 19 straight and missed his last bird in the third class challenge shoot. Pickersgill and Ashcroft were runners-up with 18 each.

The "grub" shoot was a hot scrimmage between two 20-men teams. Brigadier-General Prior's Grenadiers won over Captain Terrill's Mulligan Guards by the slight margin of one bird—146 to 145. The 10-straight men in this event were: Ed Forster and Charles H. Knight. Good scores in extra 25-bird races were shot: Worthen 25, Haight 24, Havens 24, T. Wilkes 23, Prior 23 and McGill 23, were the high scores. The day's results follow:

Events—	1	2	3	4
Birds—	20	20	10	25
Tony Prior	17	17	9	23
Roy Avery	19	17	9	22
Tom Wilkes	19	20	7	23
Converse	17	19	7	21
"Pop" Merrill	18	18	8	..
W. Stadfeldt	11	14	6	17
J. H. Jones	9	14	8	15
L. Hawxhurst	15	19	..	19
E. Wilkes	13	14	6	12
R. H. Phinney	18	16	7	19
Miss Myers	11	12	5	13
T. W. Parsons	10	14	8	21
H. C. Peet	16	15	8	21
Pickersgill	17	14	6	..
A. E. Stone	12	12	6	21
Barney Worthen	19	18	6	25
G. Thomas	16	17	7	20
C. A. Haight	17	19	..	24
C. H. Knight	16	17	10	23
T. D. Riley	17	12	8	19
E. Jones	17	9	9	10
J. W. Dorsey	19	17	6	21
R. E. McGill	19	16	9	23
A. G. Flickinger	19	19	9	..
F. L. Forster	16	16	9	18
Beetham	11	14	5	..
P. Swenson	16	14	7	..
H. Havens	20	19	9	24
Edward Forster	16	18	..	..
Topham	12	13	7	19
F. Webster	20	14	8	..
W. H. Price	14	19	7	..
E. H. Forestier	3	5	2	5
W. W. Terrill	16	17	7	..
Pete Ashcroft	17	14	8	..
Becktell	19	19	9	..
L. Stemfeldt	13	14	..	..
E. F. Foster	9	13	8	..
Craft	15	14	8	16

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The Sooner the Better.—Throughout the United States and Canada, it is the exception to a general rule to find in cities of 50,000 and over, where a properly fitted up trap shooting ground is not located. Shooting grounds, easy of access and where the sport of shooting at clay pigeons can be enjoyed any day of the week and particularly during week-end afternoons, have become most popular resorts.

Every large city on the Coast is so equipped with the exception of San Francisco. Since the closing of the famous Ingleside grounds eight years ago, local trigger pullers have much deplored the lack of a local trap ground. True, the Golden Gate Gun Club establishment at West Alameda is open Saturdays and Sundays, but this opportunity to bang away at the tar disks only half fills the bill.

To meet the situation properly it is reliably given out that a number of prominent local and bay counties sportsmen will chip in—25 of them, it is reported—and raise a fund sufficient to secure a suitable shooting ground, in this county, and install a clubhouse, batteries of blue rock traps and other necessary equipment.

Such action will be a boon to the trap shooting fraternity and will meet with most liberal patronage from the powder burners. It will be remembered that when the Ingleside grounds were running four different gun clubs having large membership lists held regular shoots on those grounds once a month. Not only that, but the scheduled club shoots were augmented by gun members of the other clubs, such is the attraction of the blue rock shooting range.

A local trap ground where shooters can indulge in the sport on week days is sorely needed. Such accommodation would offer acceptable opportunity for blue rock shooting and what is more to the point—allow one to follow the bent of inclination for a trip or auto ride to the many increasing points of attraction throughout central California— a condition that has had considerable to do with cutting down the attendance of bay county club trap shoots during past seasons.

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"One or Both Eyes"—As to whether it is better to trapshoot with both eyes open or to shut the eye not directly concerned with the sighting, seems to be a source of considerable worry to some shooters, especially beginners.

If a shooter is possessed of a pair of normal eyes, undoubtedly the proper way to sight a shotgun is to keep both eyes wide open and focused on the target in a natural and easy manner. The advantages of sighting in this way are a clear view of the entire field, including that part which would be otherwise cut off by the gun barrels, and freedom from the eye strain which results from any unusual use of the eyes.

According to one expert, "I should certainly advise all new shooters to learn to shoot with both eyes open, unless some actual optical defect makes it impossible. Older men, who have been shooting for a great many years with one eye sighting, will find some difficulty in changing, as constant practice will have cyrstllized into a second nature the habit of closing one eye. A point to be considered, however, is that you have nothing to lose by test, as it is easy enough to go back to the old system again, if necessary."

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Garden City Traps.—Dr. A. M. Barker was high gun at the midweek San Jose Blue Rock shoot. Out of 100 shots he snuffed out 96.

The Class A county championship was won by C. H. Nash for the fourth time. That marksman had a high score of 95. There were nine men entered in the competition.

Wednesday's scores were: Dr. Barker 96, C. H. Nash 95, George Anderson 95, O. N. Ford 94, A. F. Lewis 93, Ada Schilling 90, Carl Schilling 88, C. B. Smith 85, A. F. Jones 84.

The club plans another big shoot for the morning of the Fourth of July. At that time there will be a 100 target handicap shoot. The handicaps will range from 5 to 35 birds. Valuable prizes will be hung up.

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"Pull!"—The card for tomorrow will be the regular Exposition City Gun Club shoot at Easton.

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There certainly was some pretty straight gun pointing at St. Louis during the Western Handicap tournament.

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The Idaho State Sportsmen's Association tournament at Boise, Idaho, was attended by thirty shooters. Scores were received too late, however, for this issue.

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The Hazard Trophy is a massive silver hand wrought pitched entitled "The Wave," motive and feeling of which are most successfully expressed in outline and decoration, and it is in every sense of the word a trophy worthy to represent the championship of the double target game.

PANAMA-PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL TOURNEY.

The international shooting tournament which is to be held in connection with the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, is one of the great special features attracting wide attention. The shooting tournament will be held from August 8 to September 26, on the Shell Mound Range, Emeryville. The opening day, August 8, will be the closing day of German week at the exposition. It is the aim and desire to make that day a gala day for all participants in the exposition and its varied attractions. The directors of the exposition and the directors of the International Shooting Festival Association propose to make the opening day of the shooting tournament memorable by the largest and most attractive demonstration possible, replete with special and attractive features.

The interest in the festival increases as the time approaches for the match. Frank J. Kahrs, editor of the National Military and Shooting Weekly, suggested to the directors of the shooting festival that a five-man team match be arranged between the East, West and Middle West to be held in connection with the international shoot next August and September. In conformity with that suggestion the directors of the festival will select five marksmen of known ability to challenge five-men teams from the West and Middle West on conditions to be agreed upon later. Each team is to deposit $1,000 upon entering the contest, and all money deposited is to go to the winning team.

There is a good prospect that at least two or more matches of that kind will be shot during the festival, which will bring into competition the experts of the rifle range, holders of world records.

Residents of Emeryville, Cal., have subscribed $300 for a gold and diamond medal which is to be presented to the marksman who will become king of the shoots.

Marksmen are invited and urgently requested to participate in the opening day demonstration and to inform Secretary Emil Pohli, 604 Mills Building, San Francisco, not only of their own plans but also those of their clubs.

DEER HUNTING DATES CHANGED.

The recent Legislature made numerous radic changes in the game and fish laws of this Sta These changes and new laws, signed by Govern Johnson, will take effect August 7. Meanwhile, t "old laws," so called, will be in force for the tin being, except where county boards of supervis have made changes in the seasons, either recent or in the past.

Of primary importance is the new district bi Under this bill, the State, while divided into twent seven districts, where there were but six distric before, nevertheless, for practical purposes, so fa as the average sportsman is concerned, consists four large districts and provides for all special pro lems, such as commercial fishing, game refuges an conditions peculiar to small sections of the State b separate districts.

For instance, Lake Tahoe and the waters whic feed it are covered by District 23, while all surroun ing territory is included in the big district designate as No. 1. Catalina island and adjacent waters ar now District No. 20. Likewise, all commercial fis ing waters, coastwise and interior, are covered b separate district lines. After making provisions fo all special problems, the State is divided into fou large districts.

Without going into further details, at this time, th question of paramount interest to local and bay cour ties sportsmen is in what manner the changes wil affect the open season for hunting bucks.

Under the State law that will be in effect unti August 7, when the new law prevails, the open seaso for hunting deer, in districts 2, 4 and 5, begins Jul 1 and closes September 1.

District No. 1 is now composed of all of old Dis tricts Nos. 1 and 3, and parts of Nos. 2, 4 and 6. Al that part of the San Joaquin valley lying west o the trough of the valley is now in District No. 1, a also is all that part of California lying east of the Sacramento valley up to Tehama county. And i addition all the extreme northern counties of the State: Del Norte, Humboldt, Trinity, Modoc and Lassen, are now included in District No. 1.

The open season under the new law for deer i District No. 1 begins August 15 and closes October 15, two months, cutting down the season two weeks. The new law does not change the opening day in the northern and Sierra counties of old Districts No. 1 and No. 3.

In the eastern parts of San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Merced, Fresno, Kings, Tulare and Kern (formerly District No. 4), the season will open July 1 and continue until August 7, closing again until August 15 and then remaining open until October 15, a gain of six weeks' open shooting.

District No. 2 will include the counties north of San Francisco bay, not embraced in District No. 1: Mendocino, Colusa, Glenn, Yolo, Napa, Lake, Solano, Sonoma and Marin counties.

Under the old law the season opened July 1 and closed September 1. The new bill provides for an open season from August 1 to September 15 in this territory, six weeks only, instead of two months.

Changes have been made by county boards of supervisors as follows: Mendocino, Marin, Sonoma and Napa counties will not be open until August 1; Yolo county also passed an August 1 ordinance, which, however, will not go into effect until July 8, leaving a week open in that county prior to August 1.

District No. 3 will include the counties lying south of San Francisco bay to the southern boundary of San Luis Obispo county and east to include also those parts of the counties of San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Merced, Fresno and Kern, which lie west of the trough of the valley, a line better described as the west bank of the San Joaquin river to the Mendota dam, the west bank of Fresno slough and lower Kings river to the Kings county line, to Bull slough, and the connecting waters to the southeast corner of Buena Vista lake, thence east to the State highway through Tejon pass.

Under the new law the open season for bucks in District No. 3 will begin August 1 and close September 15. Under the old law the open season in Districts 4 and 5, now District 3, will start July 1, thus making an open season in some counties, this year, of three and a half months.

The exceptions are Santa Clara and Alameda counties, which will not be open, by county ordinance, until August 1, thus conforming to the new law.

As matters stand, San Mateo county, where the season will open July 1, will be in line for an unprecedented invasion of venison hunters, and will have to stand the brunt of the situation this year, unless coast fogs baffle the hunters. Santa Cruz and Contra Costa counties also will be on tap for a minor invasion of riflemen. The ranges and canyons of Monterey, San Benito, San Luis Obispo and Santa Barbara counties are not too far away for automobile parties, and there is good deer shooting to be had in those sections, too, beginning July 1.

District 4 includes all of the counties of Southern California, with an open season during September only.

Another change—the open season for cotton-tail rabbits—will be identical with the open season for quail, to-wit, October 15 to December 15. The old law opened August 1 all over the State, which will allow about a week's rabbit shooting this season—August 1 to 7.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

Fish Lines

Reports from Sierra trout fishing resorts indicate that the angler can now count on an enjoyable fishing trip. The upper Sacramento river stretches are said to be high, but the water is clear. At Shasta Retreat and above Castella, for instance, good fishing has been available.

The Feather river is rapidly getting in proper condition for fly fishing. Good fishing is found in the creeks running into the main stream. Bait fishing results have been excellent near Big Bar, Quincy and Camp Rodgers.

The Truckee river is reported to be running low and clear. At some places fly fishing is very good, at other points the baited hooks get the fish. The trout taken, however, are not the large Truckee denizens. The big fellows have been busy bottom feeding, gorging on hatching insect life. A recent report from Boca stated: "Fishing is not as good as it ought to be. No limits being caught. Everybody, by working hard, is taking fair catches. The river has been up and down, but does not get very muddy. June bugs are a failure this year. All fishing with flies at present."

James Thomson, John Barr, Pete Howard, James Maynard, Dick Ivers and Captain Harry Whitney of Honolulu and other well-known anglers were at Boca a week ago. Quite a delegation of rodsters left this city last week bound for favorite Truckee fishing spots.

San Francisco Fly-Casting Club members at the club lodge were: Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Gerstle, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bogart, Mr. and Mrs. Green, Carter Pomeroy, Tom C. Kierulff, Dave Sachs, Walter Heller and others.

Big Stoney creek, in Sonoma county, is always considered worth whipping about this time of the season. George Butler, Howard Nauman and son are giving the creek a four days' trial.

Kennedy's lake and the Middle Fork of Stanislaus river, in Tuolumne county, are now ready to deliver cut-throat trout limits, half-pounders, which fish rise to red spinner and gray hackle midget size flies. The roads up that way are good, but the Sonora pass is covered with three feet of snow and is not yet open. Such is the report of Con Grover and B. F. Hoyt, who were the first visitors in that Sierra section this season.

For the shorter week-end excursions to favorite trout creeks opportunity to land satisfactory baskets of fair-sized trout is offered at numerous easily reached resorts.

For one stream, Coyote creek, near Gilroy Hot Springs, is credited with offering better sport than for several past seasons. Trout from 8 to 16 inches have recently been taken with fly-dressed hooks. H. Root was one of the lucky fishermen. S. A. Wells, Graham Ridley and Fred Kahn investigated the situation Sunday. Isabella creek, a branch of Smith's creek, in the Mount Hamilton range, still holds good. William Ealand and H. Miller picked up nice baskets from the creek last Sunday. Farther down the range, in Alameda county, where the main stream is known as Calaveras creek, Professor Fusier found the fly fishing sport excellent also on Sunday.

The San Mateo coast creeks, from San Pedro creek, near Tobin, clear down to the Waddell, were stocked with over 250,000 trout fry Sunday. The baby trout were taken in cans, on the Fish and Game Commission's distribution car along the line of the railroad. Charles F. Breidenstein and other sportsmen met the car with teams and carried the various allotments of trout fry to different streams for transplanting. The creeks are in splendid condition for the re-stocking work, the value of which will be well in evidence next season.

The upper waters of Waddell creek in the Big Basin are worth a visit by the trout fishermen, if George McCullom's basket of 8 and 10-inch trout, caught with fly hooks, is any criterion.

San Gregorio creek and lagoon were fished for a week by A. Ray and Al Pollett. Trout were plentiful, some weighing 3½ pounds were taken.

According to "Pop" Fenton: Squaw, Rancheria and other Mendocino county streams offer good sport for rod and line. The fish run a bit small, however.

Good reports came down from the Williamson river fishing district, near Chiloquin, in Oregon. John McGeown writes the river is alive with small trout; the large fish are not yet in evidence. Plenty of bottom food accounts for the big fish dodging the angler. Cold weather, too, has retarded the appearance of insect life over the stream. Trout, however, under half a pound in weight give the man whipping a fly plenty of fun. Among the latest departures for the Williamson are: Ned Bosqui, J. B. Coleman, Al Paddon, J. Brickell and others. Dave Hearfield has returned from Klamath Hot Springs well satisfied with four weeks' good sport with the big, fighting rainbow trout of the Klamath river.

Professor Koch, of the Lowell High School, is at present enjoying a camping outing at Gold Lake, near Blairsden, in Plumas county. With him are a dozen of the Lowell High students, among them Mart Mitau, a nephew of Dave Sachs. That young Mitau is a natural-born fisherman was demonstrated one day. With several companions, taking a stroll along the lake shore, the boys noticed that trout were numerous, and, naturally, they desired to land some of the fish. One of the boys had a couple of hooks in his pocket. Young Mitau slipped off his shoes, took out the shoe laces, joined them together, and, with all other available shoelaces in the party, he improvised a fishing line. Digging a few angleworms, he baited his hooks and began fishing and in due time he landed quite a string of trout.

SENSATIONAL BATTLE WITH A DEVIL FISH.

The fondest hopes of the American Museum of Natural History, New York, has just been realized. It is to have on view a replica in plaster of the largest devil-fish ever mounted—a monster from the turbid waters of Florida that fought a boatload of men to the death.

Only the skill and daring of Russell J. Coles of Danville, Va., made possible this precious prize for which the museum has so long been seeking.

Here follows his story of the struggle which has resulted in one of the finest trophies of the undersea which has ever been taken in Eastern waters:

It was Sunday morning and one of the hottest days I have ever known in all my life. Captive island, Lee county, on the gulf side of Florida, seemed fairly to broil under the burning rays of the unrelenting sun that blazed from the cloudless sky. Not a ripple disturbed the water. Just the day to hug the little shade that fringes Captive inlet, but not for us, for we knew it was exactly the sort of dead calm weather that would bring the things we wanted to the surface of the slumbering gulf.

So off we started in the motorboat, the crew of four husky Florida fishermen and myself hoping for the best. We had harpooned two big fellows already—one thirteen feet across the fins, the widest part, and another fourteen, but we wanted at least fifteen feet, and hoped for better. We got it, a-plenty! And a female, too, just the good luck we wished, because our others were males.

The water on that calm April morning was the thickest I have ever known. You couldn't see three inches below the surface. It made it hard for us to get a glimpse of what was going on down below, but on the other hand, it brought to the surface those strange creatures that haunt the deep, to see what they could see.

Slowly we ran down the coast, keeping a sharp lookout until we came off Blind Pass. Our engine was hardly turning over and the sun was hot as a Pittsburg steel furnace, when suddenly our sturdy boat got a violent shock from below—it was bounced clear out of the water with a terrifice jolt and fell on its side with a mighty thud, barely escaping an upset. As it heeled 'way over two great black fins rose amidship on either side of us, and, like two mighty fans, flopped down on the water again. Our boat was still quivering when another shock made her stop and shake once more, like a frightened colt in a pasture lot, and the propeller ceased working—it had been hit by something under water.

We were in a school of devilfish before we knew it!

Abaft our stern four huge fins rose from the thick water, all at the same time. The one in the lead showed blood and a livid red scar at the end of the fin—it was the devil-fish which had run against our propeller, and it was mad clear through at the jagged cut it got in its tenderest spot. The monster behind it showed a loss of at least eight inches from one of its fins—marks of some furious battle of long ago.

Suddenly these four fins dropped below the surface—we lost sight of our quarry in the thickness of the waters. For fifteen minutes we waited—nothing doing. Then the tips of two more fins thrust themselves out of the water, but we didn't want them—we were after the bigger game in the offing.

We waited. For two hours we drifted, watching for the chance we hoped to get, or very slowly running around, looking to get near enough to the real thing to do business. We wanted the big one we hit first—a female, I knew, with her male following her. I realized that they would come up somewhere, and we were praying that it would be near enough for us to get busy. Luck was with us.

The push of a fin from out of the quiet water—there she was again, quartering across our bow, and the male—big as she—close at hand! I glanced at my watch; it was just 11:28. Charlie had his harpoon all ready and I stood close by, with another, poised for the chance we suddenly saw was ours.

"Let her go!" I yelled, when the monstrous thing was in close enough to strike.

Charlie and I let drive at the same instant. We both hit home. I had shortened my "drogue" to about fifty feet! It only took the monstrous creature a brief second to tauten out that rope as it had never been tautened before, but it held good and true.

A wicked head and half a body shot out of the water fifty feet beyond and took one sinister glance straight at us with those ugly, rolling eyes. Then the whole body suddenly revolved edgeways, the long, curling tail sticking straight up in the air, absolutely perpendicular. At that instant from the pouch of the mother fish a young manta made a leap, unfolding itself as it flew through the air, completing the circle which the mother was making, so violent was the rotary motion of the stricken monster.

The moving fins of the young one caught the air almost like a bird's wings and it seemed to float down to the surface like a flying boat, not hitting the water until the old one had gone under again in her agony. The little one, about four feet across the fins, lay flat on the water, until the canny male, almost human in his intelligence swept it up and with one powerful stroke pushed it down under the blood-stained waves, where it was lost to sight for keeps, saved by the bravery and brains of the father-fish.

And now came the fight of my life!

It was either the trashing devil-fish or the boatload of us. Again and again the enraged creature rushed madly against our sides with all the speed of a railway train and the strength of an elephant.

The water was so thick I couldn't see anything when my beast was below. I had to hurl my spadelance by guess. Luckily, it hit the bone. The maddened thing dropped its head and struck again, this time hitting the bottom of the boat an awful blow.

I snatched up the long-handled whale-lance. The devil-fish drew off and made another rush for us. I gave it an awful jab as it came on that would have killed anything less resolute and powerful. It came again, smashing up against our sides as if to turn us over. Both monsters now joined in the battle—the ironed female and the fearless male, free of wounds or rope. The male stayed right there, trying to up set us and to tear the female free. We dodged and jumped every which way, for one blow from either of those fighting fish would have ended our earthly careers then and there. Water poured into the boat. We were in danger of filling now and going under.

But I kept striking with the lance at every opportunity the wounded thing gave me. At last she began to weaken slowly. Her fins flopped more slowly. She started sinking. I had hit her twenty-three times, each a serious wound, before she gave up. Then we could feel the dead weight of the body on the sturdy ropes that held our harpoons fast in her quivering black back. We hauled in on the tightening line and made it fast to the bow when suddenly the creature revived and darted straight for the bottom. The bow of our boat was nearly pulled under, but then the line—the finest quality of hemp—broke like a thread cotton. However, the rope on the "drogue" held and another harpoon made her fast.

It was the thing's last effort. I glanced at my watch—it was 11:40. It had taken twenty-two minutes to kill our game.

We were three miles from the beach at Blind pass. It was with the greatest difficulty that we got the enormous body ashore and safely up on the sand, because our little boat wasn't powerful enough to bring the thing back alone. So we waited for help and then it took us ten hours to tow it to Captive island.

Next day we began work on our wonderful trophy. J. C. Bell, the man who makes the plaster casts for the museum, got busy with his stuff while we hauled the carcass up on skids, and rollers to the beach. We took photographs from a ladder tower and made true perspective pictures. Now we have a superb cast of both sides of this truly magnificent specimen, and the head, one pectoral fin and the large back end dorsal fin and tail are safely preserved in formalin.

She measures eighteen feet two inches across the pectoral fins, and the New York museum will soon have something to see for our fight to land this record-breaking monster!

Peters Points.

At the Indiana State shoot, Indianapolis, June 8-10, the State Championship was won by Mr. Walter Roach, Terre Haute, 293 x 300. High general average was won by Mr. C. A. Young, 493 x 500, who also made the long run of the tournament, 167 straight, and was high in the Interstate Championship event, 99 x 100. Messrs. Young and Roach both used Peters factory loaded shells.

At Alexander, Ill., June 9-10, High general average was won by Mr. H. W. Cadwallader, 290 x 300, using Peters factory loaded shells.

High amateur average at Springfield, Mo., June 7-9, was won by Mr. S. A. Huntley with Peters "steel where steel belongs" shells, score 582 x 600. Mr. C. B. Eaton was third amateur, 579 x 600, and made the longest amateur run of the shoot, 200 straight.

The Colorado State shoot held at Denver, June 3-5, witnessed a number of notable winnings by users of Peters shells. High amateur average on registered targets was won by Mr. Frank Bendel of Sedgwick, Colo., score 430 x 500, and Mr. C. H. Reilley of Salt Lake tied for high general average on all targets, 601 x 650, including 50 doubles and 100 handicap. Capt. A. H. Hardy made high score in the State Championship event and was high professional in the Denver Post Trophy race and had runs of 52, 55 and 78 straight. Mr. Max Weick was runner-up in the Interstate Championship, and the squad composed of Messrs. Bendel, Weick, Holsworth, Burt and Hardy established a new ground record on June 4, scoring 100 straight for the squad, a most consistent record and one which indicates superior and uniform shooting quality.

Rem-UMC Notes.

The Worcester County (Mass.) championship was won by J. W. Gates, of Leominster, at the Worcester Sportsmen's Club shoot, June 5. Shooting Nitro Club shells, he scored 92x100, which considering the high wind and uneven targets was an excellent score.

Dan McCoy, of Sikeston, Mo., won the Campbell (Mo.) Gun Club shoot, June 2, with a score of 142 x 150. E. S. Leming, of Dexter, and D. H. Dixon, a local shooter, won second and third places respectively. All three winners shot Nitro Club shells, while McCoy and Dixon also used Remington guns. The following day in a registered shoot, D. H. Dixon was high gun, scoring 145x150. Dan McCoy won second place with a score of 144x150.

The Life Story of Spriggan 2:08 1-4

AS TOLD BY THE HORSEMAN.

Spriggan 2:08¼, the discarded plaything of two millionaires, won the big $20,000 trot at San Francisco last Saturday, defeating Virginia Barnette 2:08¼, McCloskey 2:06¼, Peter McCormick 2:08¾, Baby Doll 2:10¼, Loe Blossom 2:10½, Electric Patch 2:09¼, San Felipe 2:09¼, Kid Cupid 2:08¾, John Mack 2:12¼, Bonnie Ansel, and Kinney de Lopez 2:23.

This is not to be a story of the race, but a tale of Spriggan.

Spriggan is a five-year-old bay gelding by the expatriated Baron McKinney 2:10¼; dam Helen Simmons 2:11¼ by Simmons 2:28. His tabulated pedigree appears in the next column. Spriggan was bred by Hillanddale Farm, Mamaroneck, N. Y., passed to R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton, Cal.; thence to his present owners.

Will DeRyder, the driver of the winner, is a brother of Charlie DeRyder. This is Will's first 2:10 trotter but he has been in the business for many years. One of his early winners was Miss Finley, p. 2:09¼, who took her record 18 years ago.

Spriggan, as already stated, was bred by Hillandale Farm, Mamaroneck, N. Y., owned by W. B. Dickerman, a millionaire horse lover of New York City. Mr. Dickerman is one of our leading breeders, a quiet, unassuming gentleman (he dislikes to see his name in print) who makes friends wherever he goes.

Both Mr. Dickerman and Mr. MacKenzie, second owner of Spriggan, have spent so much money in breeding trotters that each deserved to own the winner of a $20,000 stake, but since fate willed otherwise they will derive equal pleasure from having owned so great a trotter. Each gentleman sold Spriggan in one of his reduction sales and not for any fault.

In November, 1911, Hillandale Farm consigned to a New York City sale Baron McKinney 2:10¼, Druida 2:24¼, Prince Bellini, Winifreda 2:22¾, Biago 2:27, two yearlings by Bellini 2:13¼ and two by Baron McKinney, including Spriggan.

Baron McKinney sold for $4,400 and was purchased by the late Emil Jacobsen of New York City for export. The horse is now owned by Captain Rudolf Hein, Kagran Stock Farm, Vienna, Austria. Capt. Hein is now at the front as chief veterinarian of the Austro-Hungarian army. He also owns Dave Halle 2:06¾ and Baronward King 2:13½. His farm is leased from the Vienna Trotting Club, the owners of the property. Baron McKinney was third to General Watts 2:06¾ in the Kentucky Futurity and was separately timed very close to 2:10. In 1909 he started four times. He was second at Terre Haute, Ind., July 13. He won at Springfield, Ill., July 21, best time 2:10¼. He won at Detroit, July 27, best time 2:10¼. He won at Kalamazoo, Aug. 6, best time 2:15¾. He did not start again for two months. At Lexington, Oct. 16, he was fourth to General H. He is already the sire of 8 standard trotters, although he not leave many colts in America. His oldest colts in Europe are two-year-olds. He is a member of the famous "Silk" family.

One of the purchasers at the 1911 sale was Charles Dean, the well known driver of Palatine, Ill., who had a commission to purchase a yearling or two for R. J. MacKenzie, the Canadian railroad multi-millionaire, who has since centered his trotting horse interests at Pleasanton, Calif.

Dean was attracted to Spriggan because of his pedigree, so he informs us. "I noticed," said Mr. Dean, "that, in addition to being sired by a colt trotter, his first three dams were producers, his fourth dam was the great Alma Mater, and he had 19 thoroughbred crosses back of that, including Fanny G., the third dam of Palo Alto 2:08¾, and Jane Hunt, the eighth dam of Ecstatic 2:01¾."

The owner's statement about the colt was short. It read: "Spriggan is just broken. Was shod the first time the last week in September, He is a good colt and a good trotter. Broken single and is kind, pleasant and reliable." Then followed a list of his engagements.

Mr. Dean asked John Dickerson, who has trained for Hillandale Farm for so many years, what sort of colt Spriggan was. Mr. Dickerson praised the colt very highly and said he acted like a real trotter. Mr. Dean made up his mind to bid on the colt and, as he did not show any sensational brush in the ring, although he showed above the average, secured him for $400.

Spriggan was shipped to Palatine, Ill., and as soon as spring opened he began to show speed. The first time he was called on to step a quarter it was negotiated in 38½ seconds. The writer well remembers a day late in May when R. J. MacKenzie first saw his colt. There was quite a "gallery" of visitors present that day. Mr. MacKenzie' trainer, Havis James, was on hand. He had just arrived in Libertyville from California with his Grand Circuit stable, which included Joe Patchen II p. 2:17¼ (later 2:03¼). A party of Libertyville trainers had motored over to pay Dean a friendly visit. They were Dick McMahon, Will Fleming, Arlie Frost and Frank Goodwin. There were also present Joe Markey, Dr. Coover, M. I. Aronson, and Mr. McMannis.

Although there were several older horses that would naturally attract attention we recall that Spriggan made a striking impression and a reference to our story of the day shows these words: "Everybody was taken with a big two-year-old trotter by Baron McKinney out of Helen Simmons." A month later we said of him: "He has shown about as well as any northern trained colt. He looks the best of 20 two-year-olds at the Dean nursery."

Later in the season Charles Dean Jr., then only twenty years of age, made a campaign over the half-mile tracks of Wisconsin with several of Mr. MacKenzie's horses and Spriggan was one of the string. He started in four races for two-year-olds, half-mile heats, for $100 and $150 purses.

Spriggan did not win his first race, although he won a heat, but he won his other three starts. At Mineral Point, Wis., in the second and third heats he made a showing which horsemen of this vicinity talked about for several weeks. He come into the stretch last in each heat and won both of them by virtue of his great burst of speed in the last eighth.

At Monroe the two-year-old trot did not fill and Dean Jr. worked the colt a mile in 2:30, last half in 1:07, last quarter in 33 seconds. He then shipped the colt to his father at Dubuque, Ia., where it was proposed to see what he could do on a mile track, but that meeting was rained out and the colt's semester was over. The following is a brief summary of Spriggan's 1912 races:

Two-Year-Old in 1912.

Janesville, Wis., Aug. 14, 1912. $100, point system.
Baron Bates, br c by Baron Wilkes, Jr.....
.....(B. Chandler) 3 1 1
Angus Axworthy, b c by Hamlin Axworthy (Holt) 2 4 2
Wilton Clansman, b c by The Clansman (Wilson) 4 2 3
Spriggan, b c by Baron McKinney.....(Dean Jr.) 1 5 4
Time—1:19¾, 1:16¼, 1:13¾. John Berry, 5-3-5, Easterling, 6-6-7. American Rex, 7-7-6.

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Mineral Point, Wis., Aug. 21, 1912, $150.
Spriggan, b c by Baron McKinney.....(Dean, Jr.) 6 1 1
Time—1:17, 1:15, 1:14. Baron Bates, 1-4-2; Wilton Clansman, 3-2-6. Early Victor, 4-6-3. Colonel Riser, Jim LaFollette and Myrtle Riser also started.

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Darlington, Wis., Aug. 29, 1912, $150.
Spriggan, b c by Baron McKinney.....(Dean, Jr.) 1 1
Time—1:13, 1:11¼. Baron Bates, 3-2, Wilton Clansman, 2-3, Early Victor, 4-4, Colonel Riser, 5-6, Myrtle Riser, 7-5, Jim LaFollette, 6-7.

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Platteville, Wis., Sept. 5, 1912, $150.
Spriggan, b c by Baron McKinney.....(Dean, Jr) 1 1
Time—1:12½, 1:11¼. Early Victor, 2-2, Myrtle Riser, 4-3, Colonel Riser, 3-4.

As a three-year-old Spriggan worked a mile over the Dean half-mile track in 2:20, last quarter in 32 seconds. In August Chas. Deane Jr. accepted a position as assistant trainer for the MacKenzie stable and went to California, taking Spriggan and several other MacKenzie horses with him.

The younger Dean returned to Palatine in 1914 and Spriggan went into the hands of "the top jock," Charlie DeRyder. He worked a mile last year, as a four-year-old, in 2:15, last half in 1:04½, and was considered a sure 2:10 trotter.

Last fall Mr. MacKenzie decided he had too many horses and sold several head, including Spriggan, at the third annual Pleasanton sale, Dec. 12. Spriggan brought $700, the second highest price of the sale, and was purchased by George Lowery. Mr. MacKenzie stated shortly after the sale, "I have sold a 2:10 trotter and if I was buying him I would have gone to $2,500, but I had to sell something." No one suspected then that Spriggan would beat the stable's choice for the $20,000 stake, which proved to be San Felipe. But the best laid plans "gang afte aglee" and Spriggan won while San Felipe was behind the money.

The owner's statement in the catalogue read: "Spriggan's breeding cannot be beat. He is a beautiful horseand anyone wishing to see him work can phone DeRyder. He worked a half in 1:04½ on the end of a mile in 2:15. We take pleasure in recommending him to any one wishing a good, game and sound trotter. He is sold for no fault but simply to cut down expenses."

The new owner placed Spriggan in Will DeRyder's stable and little was heard about him, at least east of the Rockies, till Tom Gahagan's story about his working at Pleasanton in 2:08½. Particular mention was made of his good manners and high class prospects, but evidently few expected him to beat Virginia Barnette, Peter McCormick, Loe Blossom, and other highly touted candidates for the big event. At that an offer of $6,000 from Lon McDonald was refused for him.

The Dam.

Helen Simmons 2:11¼, in the opinion of John H. Dickerson, was one of the gamest mares that ever raced. She had a record of 2:26¼ previous to 1900. In the latter year she started three times. At Cleveland, Ohio, July 26, she won a $2,500 event,, best time 2:11¾, defeating Bay Star 2:09 and 6 others. At Columbus, Ohio, Aug. 2, she won a $2,000 event, best time 2:11¼, defeating Lady Geraldine 2:11¼, Bay Star, and 4 others. At Goshen, N. Y., Aug. 23, she won a $1,000 event, best time 2:16, defeating Peter Swift and 3 others.

The following year she was put to breeding. The following is a partial list of her produce:

1902—Helen Kohl 2:20, blk m.....by Fred Kohl 2:07¾
1905—Senator Patchen, blk h (sire of 1).....
.....by Joe Patchen p. 2:01½
1906—Sim Kohl 2:20, b h.....by Fred Kohl 2:07¾
1910—Spriggan 2:08¼, b g.....by Baron McKinney 2:10¼
1912—Barbara King (3) 2:15¾.....by King Bellini 2:12¼

Helen Simmons 2:11½ was a bay mare, foaled 1895, bred by J. B. Dutcher & Son, Pawling, N. Y., passed to C. E. Still, Kirksville, Mo., then to Dr. Smith, Lehighton, Pa., then to John McCarty, Parkway Farm, Goshen, N. Y (who bred Helen Kohl, Senator Patchen and Sim Kohl); then to W. B. Dickerman, Hillandale Farm, Mamaroneck, N. Y., where we believe she is still owned. One of the best colts at Lexington is her three-year-old Barbara King which took a record of 2:15¾ on May 25.

Lady Helen, the grandam of Spriggan, was a bay mare foaled 1891, bred by W. H. Wilson, Cynthiana, Ky.; passed as a colt to J. B. Dutcher & Son, Pawling, N. Y. Lady Helen was bred as a three-year-old to Simmons 2:28, and produced Helen Simmons 2:11¼, her only record performer. Does any one know what became of Lady Helen and why she never produced anything else?

Almater, the third dam of Spriggan, was a chestnut mare, foaled 1884, bred by P. S. Talbert, Lexington, Ky.; passed to Kentucky Breeding Farm; then to W. H. Wilson, Cynthiana, Ky. She produced Ora Jansen 2:12¾ (dam of Morley 2:29¾) and Lady Helen (dam of Helen Simmons 2:11¼).

Alma Mater, the fourth dam of Spriggan, is too well known to need extended comment. She is the dam of 5 trotters, 7 sires and 2 producing daughters. Among her sires was Alcyone 2:27, great-grandsire of Spriggan, so the latter has two crosses of Alma Hater.

The late W. H. Wilson would be interested in Spriggan's pedigree. He bred McKinney 2:11¼, he owned Simmons 2:28, he leased George Wilkes 2:22 and brought him to Kentucky; he owned Sultan 2:24; he bred Helen; he owned Almater.

It is quite appropriate that Spriggan should win a $20,000 California event. He is owned there, and several of his immediate ancestors were bred there. His grandsire, McKinney 2:11¼, whose story appeared in The Horseman of May 5 and 12, 1914, was once owned by Charles G. Durfee of Los Angeles, Calif., who purchased him in Kentucky. Alma Mater, the dam of Alcyone, was sold to W. S. Hobart of San Francisco for $15,000 when she was 16 years old, but was a failure there. Sultan, sire of Spriggan's grandam, was bred by L. J. Rose of Los Angeles, Calif. In more ways than one Spriggan is a California horse.—Horseman.

GAITED SADDLE HORSE FUTURITY RE-OPENS.

Owing to the fact that the patronage accorded the California State Fair Gaited Saddle Horse Futurity No. 2 was not sufficient to justify its sponsors in declaring it closed, the date of entry closing has been extended from June first to July first in the hope that devotees of the gaited saddler will rally to its support.

While the three and five gaited horses have been more or less popular in California since the early days of her settlement, it is only within recent years that they have been given the true recognition that their merits justify, and with the establishment of a number of breeding farms devoted to their production the State Agricultural Society was quick to present to such breeders an unusual apportunity for the profitable training of their output for show ring purposes. The gaited horse was always accorded a prominent position on the state fair program, but the directors "went themselves one better" by inaugurating a saddle horse futurity and making it one of "the" features of the fair. The pronounced favor with which the contesting of the first stake was received on the part of fair attendants, coupled with a deep-seated interest in a newly established "infant industry" on the part of the board of directors and Secretary Chas. W. Paine, led to the announcement of stake number two under most attractive conditions.

The current stake of the series is for foals of 1915 to be shown this fall at the exposition, and as yearlings, two-year-olds and three-year-olds, at the state fairs of 1916, 1917 and 1918, respectively, giving eligible youngsters an earning capacity at a time when racing prospects with futurity engagements are merely a bill of expense. The initial and subsequent early payments on nominations are most modest and the conditions throughout are drawn on generous lines.

Should not sufficient entries to justify the expense of giving the stake be received on July first the directors will be compelled to declare it off, refunding all payments made by nominators, but it is most earnestly hoped that such a course will not be necessary. Secretary Paine is devoting his "best licks" to the effort of securing the support of all saddle horse breeders, and they will not pass unrewarded.

The produce of any mare bred in 1914 to a stallion registered with either the American or Pacific Coast Gaited Saddle Horse Association is eligible to this rich stake, and if you own such a foal and it is not entered, look up the conditions and remedy that defect at once.

Direct Hal 2:04¼, the great race horse and sire bred by E. F. Geers and the Chaffin Brothers of Columbia, Tenn., and owned since 1908 by Cobb Brothers of Wellsville, New York, died suddenly on May 26 at Elwood, Indiana, where for the last two seasons he has been in service under lease to the well known Indiana horseman, M. J. Lane. His untimely death removes a sire of great value to the breeding industry, as his get were for the most part natural free-legged pacers, including such famous performers as Ess H. Kay 2:00¾, Reproachless 2:04¼, Sadie Hal 2:05½, Walter Direct 2:05¾ (stated by Ed Geers to have been the best pacer he ever owned), Anna Hal 2:06¼, Empire Direct 2:07¼ and a number of others in the 2:10 list.

THE FARM

COVER CROPS AND BEES.

Dr. A. J. Cook, horticultural commissioner of California, in referring to the sprays that were falling upon cover crops, and which, it was believed, were killing bees in a wholesale way, gave it as his opinion that these spraying liquids would kill the bees in large numbers. There had been several experiences of that kind in California. He was recommending the vetches, which do not come into bloom when the sprays are applied. In fact, he doubted if it were necessary for fruitgrowers to spray as often as they were doing. If the work were properly done it would hardly be necessary, he thought, to spray when the cover crops of clover were in bloom.

He thought if the fruitmen and beemen would get together they could easily arrange the matter so there would be no loss to anyone.

Cover crops are being used to a very great extent, both to supply nitrogen to the soil and to keep it from drying out too quickly. When plowed under they furnish a fine humus, so necessary to the proper fruitage of the trees.

The vetches and annual yellow sweet clover, known as Melilotus indica, are being used almost exclusively in California for the purpose. In this connection it is proper to remember that the Melilotus indica is also known as the annual yellow sweet clover. This is also a honey-plant, but not quite the equal of the Melilotus officinalis, nor yet quite the equal of the white sweet clover, Melilotus alba; but the fact that the annual yellow sweet clover, Melolotus indica, is one of the best cover crops that can be used by the orchardist, suggests that they use the vetches, both of them supplying nitrogen to the soil, and at the same time make an excellent humus. The beekeepers should suggest that their friends the fruitgrowers try something else as a cover crop that will not be prejudicial to the interest of the beekeeper.—From Gleanings in Bee Culture.

HOME CANNING.

Can home canning compete with factory canning? The answer may be found by carefully weighing the advantages and disadvantages of each. The factory cannery has labor-saving machinery, has its labor wkell organized, buys its supplies at wholesale, and puts up an established article of trade. On the other hand, the home canner does not have to pay any cash for his stock. What he gets above the cost of packing is gain when he packs culls which would have gone to waste if they had not been canned. The stock can also be packed with more care and in better condition. This means better quality after the details of the work are mastered. Home labor may be used in many cases. A family alone can often put up a good-sized pack. Selling of the pack can be done direct to the consumer, or at least through the local grocers. This selling can be done when other farm products are sold

Success in the enterprise depends, first, on good quality. Then on the ability of the farmer as a salesman of his goods. Good quality is the greatest aid in selling. One should not try to sell anything that he would not be willing to eat. Attractive labels, advertising in the local papers, and care in selecting only such crops as the market needs, are points not to be overlooked in selling canned goods.

If a farmer wishes to try home canning, the companies which manufacture home canners give more or less complete directions for operating their machines. Follow their directions, because it is to the companies' interest that the user succeeds. There will be some failures, but the cause of each one should be looked into and corrected. It will take perseverance to learn the work, but the resulting profits will be worth the effort.

TO GET SIZE IN STEERS ON THE RANCH.

Where size cannot be obtained in steers by feed in places in which feed is scarce, it cannot be obtained by breeding and inheritance. This is the statement of E. N. Wentworth, professor of animal breeding in the Kansas State Agricultural College.

"Many cattlemen in the short grass and short feed -country," says Professor Wentworth, "cannot obtain size in their steers by feed, due to its scarcity, and hence try to obtain it by breeding and inheritance, through the introduction of big-boned and long-framed bulls. Yet it takes a definite amount of feed to make a pound of gain, and the big rough stock may require more feed a pound than smaller sized animals. The engine does not run without coal, but the larger it is the more coal it requires. The same is true of the steer, except that if it lacks fuel it does not deveop into as big an engine.

"The rancher says: 'If a big strain of cattle deteriorates so much in size, a smaller strain doing the same will disappear.' The small strain does not disappear, however, for in a state of nature, or of an agriculture differentiated as in the English shires, the smaller breeds live in the short feed countries, the large breeds live in the full feed countries, and each develops a siz and meat productiveness characteristic of that district. The secret of success in ranch breeding is not to seek corn belt tops where corn belt feeds are absent, but to adapt the ends to the means."

TIMOTHY AND ALFALFA.

TheLahontan dam on the storage reservoir of the Carson-Truckee irrigation project is said to be the largest dirt fill dam in the world. It holds 390,000 acre feet of water, which is used in the partial irrigation of 210,000 acres. Water is backed up by the dam a distance of 32 miles.

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After checking up land for irrigation in Nevada many ranchers seed timothy with their alfalfa at the rate of five pounds of timothy to the acre and 15 to 20 pounds of alfalfa. This is most practiced where sufficient time cannot be put in to make a first-class job of leveling. In the low spots where the alfalfa is drowned out timothy takes hold well, while in the higher spots, where the timothy does not get a good start, the alfalfa covers the ground. In the rest of the land the timothy and alfalfa make a good mixture. In this way none of the land goes to waste and in addition the alfalfa and timothy make a well balanced ration.—Orchard and Farm.

NEW TEST FOR ACID SOILS.

A simple little device has been perfected at the Wisconsin Agricultural Experiment Station which promises to be of great value in improving and developing many of the soils of the state. It was devised by Prof. Emil Truog. By its use it is possible to tell how ocid a soil is and how much lime will have to be applied to correct this acidity.

It consists of an alcohol burner, a cup to measure soil, a graduate to measure water, a few strips of paper, and some chemicals which can be purchased at any drug store. It is "no trick" to mix the water, soil and chemical together in a flask and set this mixture over the alcohol burner, until it boils. Then by laying one of the strips of paper, soaked in another chemical, over the mouth of the flask for two minutes, observing the color the paper turns and comparing this with a card of standard colors, the farmer knows definitely how much acid is in his soil. The gas given off by the boiling mixture colors the strips of this paper in shades from light yellow to black, depending on how much acid is present to set free the gas.

The test can be made in the field and by any one who will follow the directions. It is described in Bulletin 249, a copy of which will be sent to any resident of the state who applies to the director of the experiment station, Madison, Wis.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

2:20 Pace, 3 heats	$ 700.00
2:12 Trot, 3 in 5	2,000.00
2:15 Pace, 3 heats	700.00

Fourth day Relay Race.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

Free-for-all Pace, 3 in 5	$ 700.00
2:20 Trot, 3 heats	700.00
Three-minute Trot or Pace, 3 in 5	300.00

Fifth day Relay Race.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

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2:25 Pace (closed)	500.00

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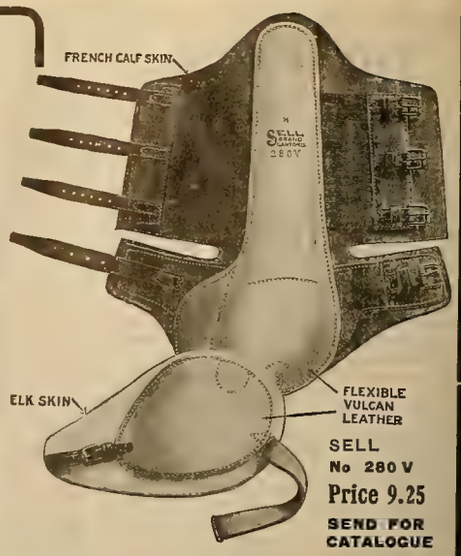
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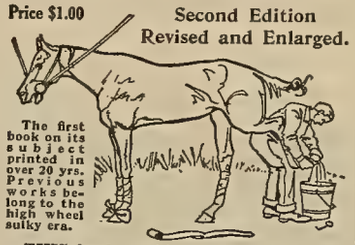
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Last year after the new eligibility rule was adopted, the National Trotting Association issued a Winrace and Eligibility Book, which covered 1912 and 1913. It assisted materially in the application of the new rule, but members and horse owners were frequently in doubt as to whether a horse was entitled to a time allowance. This resulted in a very voluminous correspondence and in order to obviate it in 1915, the present book has been compiled and issued as approved by the President under an order of the Board of Review.

In the matter of time allowance, a horse with a winrace is allowed one second for each year, if raced, in which he fails to equal or reduce his record or win a race, providing same is claimed by the nominator when making the entry. If a horse was not raced in 1914, he is not entitled to a time allowance and a reference to the index in this book will show whether he was raced or not, while by referring to the summaries, it can be determined whether he equaled or reduced his record or won a race. Also in order to give all the information possible, the reports of meetings contain all races at half mile heats as well as at mile.

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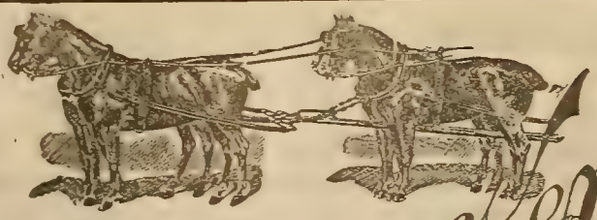
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ENIX (Arizona State Fair).....	Nov. 15-20

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GARY, ALB.	June 30-July 7
OSEJAW, SASK.	July 10-13
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INA, SASK.	July 26-31
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GREAT WESTERN CIRCUIT.

VELAND (North Randall), O.....	July 19-24
TROIT, MICH.	July 26-31
RIA, ILL.	Aug. 2-7
RLINGTON, IA.	Aug. 9-14
ESBURG, ILL.	Aug. 16-21
BUQUE, IA.	Aug. 23-28
S MOINES, IA.	Aug. 30-Sept. 3
MLINE, MINN.	Sept. 6-11
WAUKEE, WIS.	Sept. 13-18
INGFIELD, ILL.	Sept. 20-25
DALIA, MO.	Sept. 27-Oct. 2
SKOGEE, OKLA.	Oct. 4-9
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VELAND (North Randall), O.....	July 19-24
TROIT, MICH.	July 26-31
LAMAZOO, MICH.	Aug. 2-7
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DDITIONAL PURCHASES BY MR. ALBRIGHT.

Recent mention was made in these columns of the rchase by A. Albright, Jr., of Newark, New Jersey, the fast double gaited mare Zulu Belle 2:06¼ cing, 2:10¼ trotting, for breeding purposes, and fore the eastward movement among horsemen rac- g at the exposition set in he had three others to company the Belle on the journey to her new me—Josie Ansel 2:14, Katalina 2:11¼ and Wend- g, the latter a yearling filly by The Proof 2:11¼ d out of Katalina.

Josie Ansel, purchased from Woodland Stock rm, is one of this year's crop of new performers Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, and is a sister to Joseph nsel (3) 2:12¾, being out of Josie D. by Nutwood ilkes 2:16½, grandam Everette (dam of Wesos 12¼) by Nephew 1220. She acquired her record the Woodland meeting in May and at various times her work has shown flights of speed at better an a two-minute gait. Whether or not she was purased for racing or breeding purposes is not known, t as she is bred on attractive lines and as Mr. Alight is known to be gathering a select band of atrons she is probably destined to become a mem- of the latter circle.

Katalina, formerly owned by the estate of W. J. ller of Chico, is well known in California both as race and brood mare, as she was the first of the tartette of trotters produced from the union of Tom Smith 2:13¼ and Kate Lumry 2:20½, J. W. Zibbell's great daughter of Shadeland Onward 2:18½, the others being Baby Doll 2:10¼, now at North Randall for the opening of the Grand Circuit, and Ella Mac 2:11¼ and Eddie G. (2) 2:30, both the latter still owned by Mr. Zibbell. As a three-year-old Katalina obtained a record of 2:15¼ and made a most excellent campaign, being first in the Stanford, second in the Occident and third in the Breeders' futurity here in California in addition to winning the events for trotters of her age at North Yakima, Spokane, Portland and Salem. As a four- and five-year-old she raced well on local tracks, and in 1912, from a mating to The Bondsman, gave birth to a brown colt now known as Bondalean (2) 2:20½, (3) 2:11¼, the latter a winrace record made at the recent exposition meeting against a field of aged horses, with Owner-Amateur Charley Silva in the sulky. To date, Bondalean is the best three-year-old prospect for this fall's pacing classics, and so good a horseman as Elmo Montgomery, his former trainer, gives him serious consideration as a likely candidate for William's seat as the three-year-old king. The filly by The Proof 2:11¼ is a good sized, well turned miss and will no doubt make a trotter, as The Proof has proved he sires 'em and Katalina is bred to produce them. At all events, the enviable position accorded California matrons in eastern esteem is not likely to suffer from the future record of Mr. Albright's purchases.

YOUNGSTERS FOR NEW ZEALAND.

Mr. Freeman Holmes of Christchurch, New Zealand, who has been in California for the last few weeks, during which time he has visited a number of near-by breeding and training establishments, has purchased from J. W. Marshall of Dixon, subject to their successful passing of the veterinary tests required by the New Zealand government, a pair of fillies whose breeding calls to mind the numerous fast performers that have preceded them from the Marshall ranch. The elder of the two girls is Bonilene, the three-year-old daughter of The Bondsman and Madeline Marshall (dam of Zomblack 2:10¼, etc.) by Demonio 2:11¼, and the baby is a nice big yearling by Demonio, out of Bally Pointer (sister to Sirius Pointer 2:15) by Star Pointer 1:59¼, grandam Trix Marshall (dam of seven, including Moortrix 2:07½, Aerolite 2:06¾ and Mona Wilkes 2:03¼) by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½. Both fillies are good individuals, nice colored, and with the excellent natural action that their blood lines would indicate.

This is not Mr. Holmes' first experience in taking undeveloped California horses to his home, as some five years ago he was here and purchased from C. L. Griffiths of Pleasanton the Bonnie Direct mare Bonnie Jennie and her filly foal by Star Pointer 1:59¼, registered as Bonista. Bonnie Jennie was bred to Jim Logan prior to her shipment and proved with foal, though unfortunately the produce of the union died shortly after its birth. She was then bred to Harold Dillon and to his embrace also foaled a filly, now an unbroken two-year-old. At the races she proved a good winner and has recently been sold to John Porter, the owner of El Carbine, to which horse she will in all probability be stinted this season.

Though Bonnie Jennie (who, by the way, is a member of the Leonor family, her dam being the famous Jenny Mac 2:09 by McKinney 2:11¼) was bought for the account of Alfred Lawrence, Mr. Holmes purchased Bonista for himself and yet owns her. She won two good races at the last New Zealand cup meeting, was bred, and then made another nice winning, so that she has paid her owner a nice profit. At present she is in foal to Wildwood, Junior, twice winner of the New Zealand cup, and Mr. Holmes has great expectations for her career as a brood mare. Both she and her dam have raced around 2:16, with longer distances at a highly creditable rate.

Mr. Holmes leaves tomorrow or Monday for Vancouver, from which port he sails for home on the seventh, but the horses will not be shipped until the twenty-third, when the Marama clears from this city.

NOVEL ENDURANCE CONTEST.

An unusual feature that it is planned to hold in connection with the third annual New York Fair and Exposition at Empire City Park, Yonkers, N. Y., is a race between trotters and runners under saddle. The intention is to make this a twenty mile endurance contest, with the weight at 150 pounds. There is no doubt but that a handsome purse will be made up for this event, as it is one of the favorite bones of contention between trotting horsemen and running horsemen as to which type of horse would hold up best in a long distance race.

The value of such a trial of staying qualities is of more than ordinary interest to army men, especially since the Government is seriously considering breeding horses on its own account. The need of stock that can stand up well when called upon to make speed and keep it up beyond a short dash is particularly felt in the cavalry. Such a race as that projected at Empire City track would therefore have not only the enthusiastic support of all horse breeders, owners and dealers, but it would also furnish the officers of the United States Army with much valuable data on the relative merits of trotters and runners.

The gaits permitted would be a walk and a trot for the trotters, in the contest, and a walk and a gallop for the runners. At the present time no date has been set for running off this particular event, but it is quite likely that it will be put on early in September, when both runners and trotters will be on the grounds at Empire City Park.

The fourth of July will be celebrated by local horsemen on the following day, July fifth being the date chosen for a monster matinee at the exposition track as well as for the Alameda butchers' celebration at Pleasanton, when a good card of events will be raced for real money.

Thoroughbred Breeders Organize

"They're off!" will be the old familiar cry that will rise from thousands of throats out at the exposition track on the afternoon of Saturday, August twenty-first, when under the auspices of the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association the sport of kings will be re-established in California on an entirely new basis. Four years—four long ones—have elapsed since the barrier fell before the last field of thoroughbreds on a bay track, and the prospect of the runners "coming back" has aroused enthusiastic interest throughout the coast country.

For weeks, or really for months, there has been more or less talk of the probability of a meeting for the gallopers to be held during midsummer at the exposition track, talk that would not be downed, though nothing definite seemed to come from it. The passing of the Nevada racing measures, with the resultant westward swing of numerous stables of high class campaigners, gave the sponsors of the idea of holding a meeting locally some real foundation to build upon, and during the present week the project has assumed definite form.

Most persistent and active in the earlier days of the growth of the plans now being consummated were Messrs. Charles W. Clark of El Palomar, San Mateo; James C. Nealon of this city, and Charles T. Boots of California and Nevada. To them is due, in a very large measure, the successful launching of the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association, whose permanent organization was perfected Wednesday evening at the St. Francis Hotel, the following gentlemen, well known in many circles in this vicinity, being chosen to guide its destinies during its early career: President, Charles W. Clark; first vice-president, J. H. Rossiter; second vice-president, Dr. D. C. Jenkins; third vice-president, Judge E. P. McDaniel; treasurer, R. M. Tobin; secretary, J. C. Nealon; board of directors to include above named officers, together with the following: R. Porter Ashe, C. T. Boots, W. W. Dupee, F. J. Carolan, H. T. Griffin, Captain John Barneson, Charles Butters, W. F. Humphrey, W. H. Moffat, R. J. MacKenzie, Dr. H. S. Kergen, Dr. A. P. Tate, J. D. Grant, J. Cheever Cowdin and Jack Miller.

The association has been incorporated for $50,000 and does not hold forth to its members any hope of profit during the first years of its existence, at least, as the men behind it realize fully the many obstacles that must be surmounted before thoroughbred racing is truly re-established on a firm foundation, and freely admit that they expect to go into their pockets pretty deeply before they get any returns save those of the keen enjoyment to be derived from clean racing. They believe, however, that their activities will mark the beginning of the complete rehabilitation of the running game in California, as they propose to conduct their own meetings in such manner that they cannot fail to be awarded the seal of popular approval. Nothing succeeds like success, and if their efforts prove successful their organization will be duplicated in various quarters of the state, and the thoroughbred be "brought back to his own," on a basis that will make the sport enduring. True sportsmanship, rather than a hope of profit, prompts the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association, and true sportsmanship deserves ever the heartiest of encouragement. By all means, let us have the thoroughbred back with us on a new, clean basis, and let us extend every assistance to the men who are giving their time and their money to the movement to bring about this happy culmination.

The response from campaigning horsemen has been a ready one. The Reno meeting, which commences July 17 to run for thirty days, has attracted many stables from among the best of the land, and when Reno closes most of the best of these will make the trip to the Golden Gate for the thirty days of sport which is to begin on August 21. From the north, too, has come promise of many horses, for all who have ever raced here before cherish fond memories of the bay cities and their hospitality, and the outlook at this moment is roseate in the extreme.

Late News Notes from North Randall

[From the American Sportsman.]

Billy Andrews worked the Pastime Stable's two-year-old filly Volga in 2:15, last quarter in :31, and in another mile marched her a last quarter in 30 seconds. The full sister of Peter Volo (3) 2:03½ is surely a wonderful trotter.

Mike McDevitt gave several members of Captain Shaw's string some glib miles, the fastest being in 2:10¾ by Joan 2:04¼. The rugged daughter of Directum Spier (4) 2:11¼ looks grand this spring and should prove a mighty tough proposition to beat when Mike passes the word "she's ready." Peter Mac (4) 2:10½ now five and his full sister, Lillian the Great (3), both by Peter the Great 2:07¼ and out of Lillian R. 2:04½, trotted together in 2:16½ with a half in 1:05¼. The filly is an extra large, stout made one, and goes like one of great determination. Miss Directed (4) 2:18½, winner of the Inter City $2,500 Cup last season, romped off her best miles, they being in 2:13½ and right back in 2:12 with a half in 1:05.

W. W. Marvin stated that he would not race William (4) 2:00 against Tommy Murphy's trio in the proposed $5,000 race at Detroit. He remarked, however, that when the matter of a meeting was discussed, he was led to believe that Geers was to have Anna Bradford (3) 2:00¾, McMahon the gelding, Frank Bogash Jr. 1:59¼, and Murphy was to retain Directum I 1:58. Mr. Geers in an interview Saturday said that no arrangements whatever had been made with him relative to taking charge of the great filly, credited to one stallion is 205 trotters and 58 pacers; 2:02½ was in his stable and would be a contender in some of the free-for-alls, he did not see how he could race the Todd Mac 2:07¾ speed marvel.

"Kentuck" Floyd has what looks to be an exceptionally promising four-year-old trotter in The Eno (3) 2:19¼, a son of The Native 2:10½ and Anna B. (dam of Dictator Todd 2:08¼, Dolly Bidwell 2:08½, etc.) by John Burdine. On Friday Floyd let his colt extend himself a part of the road and the result was a mile in 2:13¼, last quarter in :31¾. He makes his first start at Youngstown and will no doubt be afforded a chance to stretch himself somewhat, because there are several other trotters being primed for the David Tod Cup, which can hike quite merrily also. When the widely known "Piggy" Friedman returned from his annual fall pilgrimage in the south in 1914, he proclaimed The Eno a wonderful colt and tried to influence some local parties into buying him, but they hesitated just a week too long.

The Pastime Stable's first string three-year-old, Rusticoat (3) 2:13¼, was given his fastest mile on Friday by Billy Andrews and a trip in 2:14¼ was no effort for the stout, handsome colt which so greatly resembles his sire, the noted Axworthy (3) 2:15½. Bacelli (2) 2:15 also three, trotted in 2:11¾; Lee Axworthy (3) 2:08 in 2:11¼; Hazel Laing 2:08¼ in 2:13¼, 2:12½, 2:12¼; John R. Dillon 2:11¼ in 2:12¼-1:05 in company with Newzel 2:05¼ with Mr. Devereux up and Leonor McKinney (2) 2:18¾ in 2:18½. Andrews' trotters are in fine shape and until Siliho went to his nose on Thursday, there was not a single incident to mar the tranquility of the entire contingent.

Fred Jamison shipped eleven head to Rockport on Saturday and after racing at the west side track will transfer most of the number to Cranwood Park and the balance to Cochocton, where they will be joined by another consignment from Arden, Pa. His large stable was training nicely until a short time ago, when practically all of them were taken ill and two of them, Major Spier (3) 2:10½ and the promising New York owned colt, The Scorpion, died. Fred now has here Ella Ambulator 2:04½, Don Patch 2:07¼, Bingo Axworthy 2:10¼, Carnation 2:11¼, Colonel O. 2:13¼, Jim Red 2:16¼, Countess Mobel 2:16¼, Guy Rea (2) 2:18½, Lady Maud S. 2:19¼, Tramp-a-bit (3) 2:23¼ and Catherine Vincent, a full sister of Florence Vincent 2:12¼.

Nick Grady arrived at Randall the first of the week with eight head and will remain for the Grand Circuit opening. The top-liner in the string is R. H. Brett (4) 2:03¼, the holder of several world's records and one of the very greatest racing pacers of his age to appear. The others consist of Dago 2:09, the handsome trotting gelding; Roy Miller 2:12¼, winner of the recent Horse Dealers Sweepstakes; Maxine Audubon 2:11¼, a half sister of R. H. Brett (4) 2:03¼; Florie D. 2:13½, Darah, a three-year-old trotter by Peter the Great 2:07¼; Beldon, a pacer the same age and by Bellini, and Dame Danvers, a five-year-old trotting mare by Danvers. Several of the above have won races, they being Roy Miller 2:12¼, winner of both his starts; Maxine Audubon 2:11¼, and Florie D. 2:13½.

William (4) 2:00, one of the very greatest champions which ever appeared, seems right now to be in the form of his life and, while it may make us appear ridiculous in the eyes of some when we say that he was oily and with ease to himself when romping a quarter at a 1:52 gait on the end of a 2:04½ mile, we will stand to be called foolish, because he really performed the trick with a number of the country's prominent teamsters clocking him. To add to the achievement, we will say that the track was not fast and he had a stiff wind to contend with, but he plowed right along in :32½, 1:04½, 1:36½, 2:04½, the last half being in a minute, the final quarter in 28 seconds and he was pacing a runaway clip at the wire. A week ago we stated that the champion was heavier in flesh than in 1914 and trainer Marvin considered him in great form, and his mile on Tuesday proves him to be right now in line for some banner achievements. We also learned that he had been a mile in 2:07 with a last quarter in 30 seconds over the Lafayette track before coming here a week ago, consequently his 2:04½-1:00-:28 trip here was not such a huge drop as it would otherwise appear. Not a single mare was bred to William (4) 2:00 this season and every effort was made to conserve his every particle of energy in view of making his 1915 campaign a memorable one.

"Gamey" Brennan, chief booster of McKennan Farm, Washington, Pa., and one of the most widely known followers of the light harness horse, put in his appearance Saturday at Rockport along with Fred Jamison's crew of deck-hands. Before the cook tent was in full running order, Gamey as usual complained of a vacancy in the region of his belt line and meandered toward Kamms in search of "garbage." Chancing to see a butcher shop, he dropped in and while there, a very energetic appearing boy came in and struck the proprietor for a job. "What can you do?" inquired the main guy. "Most anything," replied the boy and followed his remark by coming back with "How much will you pay?" "Three dollars a week starting right now. What can you do to earn the money?" "Most anything you want done," remarked the boy. "Well," said the boss, "what can you do right? Can you dress a chicken?" "Not on three dollars a week," replied the boy and then hit the grit.

Etawah (4) 2:03¼, the world's champion four-year-old trotter, has arrived and will be prepared by Mr. Geers for his late engagements. The son of Al Stanley 2:08¼ looks fine and it is to be hoped that he acquires greater distinction in 1915.

Siliho, the very promising three-year-old gelding owned by H. M. Hanna and being trained by Billy Andrews, tripped last Friday, while trotting a 2:10 shot, and it is feared that he will be laid up for some time. Two weeks ago he worked in 2:14½ and he was doing so nicely that his owner was looking forward with great pleasure to seeing him perform in the Youngstown Sweepstakes. As the youngster is one of Mr. Hanna's own breeding and the latter was particularly anxious to be represented at George Dietrick's initial speed festival, the accident is the more to be deplored.

On Friday Harry Stokes moved three of his string along in a manner to please him. The fast Cresceus 2:02¼ gelding Precious Cresceus 2:15¼ owned by Ed. Vietmeier, Sandusky, O., was changed a little in rigging, and the way he marched off a mile in 2:11¾ convinced Harry that he was up to trotting a mile in 2:10 at least right now. His heavily staked pacer, Patrick M. 2:11¼, reeled off a mile in 2:14-1:04¼-30¼ and was fairly flying at the end, while his convert Celia M. 2:14¼ was given a chance to straighten out through the stretch and trotted like a stake candidate, her mile being in 2:18, the last half in 1:05½ and final quarter at a 2:04 gait.

H. J. Schlesinger, Milwaukee, Wis., owner of Harvest Farm, was a local visitor last Saturday, and reports that he has some very precocious two and three-year-old trotters and some extra nice yearlings. In a short time Harvest Farm will no doubt establish quite a reputation as a trotting nursery, as Mr. Schlesinger has a very choice collection of mares and is breeding them to his trio of young stallions which are of such individual excellence and are representative of the families which no one can justly fault. The three stallions at Harvest Farm are Belwin (4) 2:06¾ by McKinney 2:11¼, one of the very greatest racing colts of his age and sex which ever appeared; Beirne Holt (4) 2:11¼ by Cochato (3) 2:11½, winner of second money in the M. and M. and an exceptionally fast trotter, and Wotan 2:17¾ by Bingen 2:06¼. The most of the mares at the farm this season were bred to Belwin (4) 2:06¾, and inasmuch as both of the $20,000 events at San Francisco were won by representatives of sons of McKinney 2:11¼, Mr. Schlesinger can look forward with renewed pleasure to the results of this season and likewise congratulate himself, as he unquestionably owns in Belwin (4) 2:06¾ one of the very greatest stallions by the wonderful son of Alcyone 2:27.

MASON CITY, IOWA.

June 15—2:30 trot, purse $400:
Major Direct, ch h by Duke Direct.....(Moore) 1 1 1
Dette, bl m by The Director General...(Barnett) 2 3 4
Grey Rex, gr g by Galileo Rex.....(Thompson) 4 2 3
Byron W., bl h by Royal Reaper.....(Connor) 5 5 2
Bob Lee, b g by Baron B.....(Hammond) 3 4 5
Ben Nutwood, 6-6-6.
Time—2:16½, 2:19, 2:19.

2:16 pace, purse $400:
The Sheriff, b g by Royal Sprague.....(Midbo) 1 1 1
Joe Joe, b g by Baron Beautiful.....(Hammond) 8 2 2
Cora Blackford, ch m by Blackford Laddie.....(Thomas) 2 3 3
Fanny Shirley, b m by Lord Shirley..(Blackman) 3 7 8
Starbrook, 4-5-4; Belle Rex, 5-4-7; Bessie R., 6-9-5; W. S. Weber, 9-8-6; Helmetta, 12-6-9; Par On, 10-11-10; Lena Marie, 7-10-dr.; Ed Dillon, 11-dr.
Time—2:11¾, 2:10½, 2:12¼.

2:18 trot, purse $400:
Sure Mike, b h by Peter W.....(Kelly) 1 1 1
Sweetwood, b m by Nowood.....(Casey) 3 2 2
Goldbandore, b g by Goldmine, Jr.....(Ruble) 2 3 3
Lila G., b m by Golden Onward.....(Crawford) 4
Deocy, 6-5-5; Judge Spencer, 5-7-7; Kelly, 7-6-6
Time—2:14½, 2:15, 2:18¼.

June 16—2:08 pace, purse $400:
Joe Murphy, br g by Chambertin.....(Sanders) 1
Franklin Pierce, br g by Avoca Wilkes.....(Pike) 2
M. F. D., b g by Colonel Coit.....(Ruble) 5
May Davis, ch m by Borado.....(Smith) 3
Buck Muscovite, 4-4-5.
Time—2:13¼, 2:11½, 2:13¼.

2:25 pace, purse $400:
Hedgewood Lad, br h by Hedgewood Boy (Taylor) 1
Lucy Gay Dillon, gr m by Walter Dillon (Lacarde) 12
Billy the Kid, b g by Bermuda Boy.....(Connor) 4
Lucile De Forest, b m by The De Forest (Colbert) 14
Baron Watts, 2-6-6; Gratwood Maid, 3-7-14; Red 6-4-12; Prickly Pear, 9-12-4; Rexie, 11-8-5; Baron S. 5-15-11; Yankee Girl, 7-9-7; Minnequa Princess, 10; Star Wilkes, 8-14-13; Fresno, 13-11-10; John B., 15-
Time—2:14½, 2:15¼, 2:18¼.

Three-year-old, 2:30 trot, purse $400:
Miss Parkwood, br f by Parkwood.....(Midbo) 1
Last Sheet, b f by Mainsheet.....(Thomas) 4
Forest Bingen, b c by Albingen.....(Forest) 2
Pat Hathaway, b c by Border Knight.....(Ruble) 3
Henry Bosworth, 6-dr.
Time—2:21, 2:23½, 2:19½.

June 17—2:13 pace, purse $400:
Gypsy Margrave, ro m by Margrave.....(Taylor) 1
Grey Eagle, gr g .....(Pike) 7
Gypsy Burns, b m by Pilot Burns.....(Roper) 2
Miss Belle Patchen, b m by Missing Bell..(Moore) 4
Sir Shelby, 8-2-5; Annona, 6-3-3; The Sheriff, 3
Hal Nuthurst, 5-5-8.
Time—2:12, 2:14½, 2:13¼.

2:14 trot, purse $400:
Italian Aubrey, b h by Captain Aubrey..(Thomas) 1
Jim O'Shea, bl g by Jim McKiver.....(Garen) 3
Billy Mead, b g by Medyone.....(Emerson) 2
The Spartan Queen, b m by The Spartan.....(Thompson) 5
Hiram B., 4-5-7; Friar Tuck, 8-9-4; Forest King, 6-
May Advice, 9-8-8; Edward E., 7-6-dr.
Time—2:13¼, 2:14, 2:15½.

2:24 trot, purse $400:
Major Direct, ch h by Duke Direct.....(Moore) 1
Lieutenant Aubrey, b c by Captain Aubrey.....(Thomas) 2
Dette, bl m by The Director General....(Barnett) 3
Bill Rhodes, b g by Cecil Rhodes.....(Kelly) 5
Kemo S., 4-4-5.
Time—2:20, 2:20½, 2:21½.

CLARA MAC 2:04½ A DURFEEITE.

On Friday of last week Will Durfee made a to Woodland and before his departure from the metropolis became the owner of the fast pac mare Clara Mac 2:04½, the consideration invol in the transaction not being made public thoug ran well into the four figures column.

The history of this fastest daughter of Express Mac 2:25½ is too fresh in the minds of Califor race-goers to need extensive reviewing at this ment, as she was the outstanding star performer the local tracks in 1914, pacing seventeen winn heats over mile tracks in time averaging just fas than 2:07½. She was made and raced in her ea engagements by Walter Gallup of Hardwick, w drove her to a record of 2:05¼ the first time eit one of them faced the starter in professional co pany, and later acquired her record of 2:04½ in hands of Harry Dowling, Mr. Durfee incidenta shooing her out of the 2:06 class with White S It was the two "trimmings" administered to the ter mare by Clara at the state fair at Sacramen that imbued Mr. Durfee with a most profound spect for her, and it was rumored at that time th only her ineligibility for the 2:06 stakes prevent her purchase by Mr. Durfee then and there.

In the free-for-all pace at the exposition she ploded a number of persistent winter tales to t effect that she had suffered injury in her last rac in 1914 by winning the third heat in 2:06¼; faili to head the summary or equal her record she comes, under the time allowance clause in the pr ent racing rules, eligible to the 2:06 class for ne season, unless she knocks herself out of the allo ance by a fast performance later in the year, whi is not likely, owing to the fact that she has no e gagements. Mr. Durfee is laying plans for an easte invasion in 1916, and his present intentions inclu the coupling of White Sox and Clara Mac in th 2:06 stakes on the Grand Circuit.

AN ESSAY ON THE COW.

A schoolmaster asked his pupils to write an essa on cows, and a farmer's son produced the following— or so it is said:— "The cow is a no-bull and kin hearted creature. The man who looks after cows called a cowherd, but he is not a coward who look after cows. Cowes has a regatta every year, yet th cow is not a nautical animal. It is reported tha the cow sat at the head of the table in the Ark— so say arkcowlogists—because she was the only an mal that could calve. The cow is a good mother, an will look calf-ter her calf. Cows exist by means o the ox-ygen in the atmosphere. I got this from professor at Ox-ford. By the cow is milk made. know this to be true, for I have seen the milkmai by the cow. The cow has been introduced into song There is an old song called 'The Soldier's Steer.' Thi was written on beef flat, as also was that very pa thetic ballad, 'For Heifer and for Heifer.' The cow' sex is sometimes rather complicated. To call a cov an ox is to make a bull. Crutches for cows are calle acoustics. A cow likes resting. It will sleep in it shed and lie on the grass, but it will not stretc itself on a cowch; it does not go sofa as that. A cow does not carry on an argument very obstinately it will soon give whey. Cows seem to do pretty we for even at death they generally manage to unmake both ends meat. I can't think cow it is that so many calves die young. Perhaps the butcher could re-veal the secret."—W. A. Sportsman.

MATINEE AT EXPOSITION TRACK.

day of the recent harness race meeting at the I. E. was blessed with as pleasant weather as last Sunday, as the sun was bright and warm and wind less pronounced than it was earlier in the , the combination of nice weather and nice ng working to make a pleasant afternoon for members of the San Francisco-California Driving and their friends.

V., Joe Vermet's nice mannered little pacer, set pace in the early part of the 2:30 trot or pace, faded a bit at the five-eighths and gave way to Villa, with Laddie G. hanging to the revolution- chieftain's right flank and out-trotting him ugh the stretch. In the second J. V. led until toward the wire when the longer-striding Laddie ared him and beat him by a small margin in the l brush, a break soon after coming into the tch settling any chance the General may have to win.

he 2:18 pace brought Ed Ayres a hard jolt in the d heat, but fortunately no bones were broken. n Murphy had the legs of the party, composed Lady Listole, Emma M., Hamburg Belle and him- for the first heat, but lost the second owing to reak in the stretch. Lady Listole, a game lassie still fat and not up to a hard race, led from the f until well into the stretch, when Billy Malough ught Emma M. up with a lot of whizz and won by omfortable margin; Jerry Doran, after surrender- first place, shut off the juice just fractions of a ond too soon, as Charley Becker and Hamburg le buzzed up with the muffler wide open and ped place in the last few feet of the mile. In the l heat Lady Listole in the lead, with Tom Murphy iling, went to a standstill break past the quarter l Murphy went into Doran's sulky as Ayres tried swing him in the clear, Ed getting a nasty tumble t wrenched some of the muscles in his left leg and t painfully, but breaking no bones. The Murphy se after getting in the clear went on at a pace l finished alone, Harold Cohen catching him after had passed the wire. Hamburg Belle outfooted mma M. for the heat, but Malough's mare had the at of the summary by one point.

The 2:12 pace witnessed the debut of Jack Welsh d his new pacerino, Little Bernice, recently pur- ased from Sam Watkins, but the daughter of Del ronado that forced William to his record at a ee-year-old has not yet gotten back to her old form d was unsteady for both Jack and Harold Cohen, o had the mount in the second heat. Bradmont ished each heat like the genuine "gentleman's fun rse" that he is, but Charles Becker had Dick W. his good behavior and the Ottinger gelding won in aight heats, with apparently something left.

Harold Cohen warmed up both Muggins and Mat- an for the free-for-all trot, both the uncertain tors being on their good behavior. His choice the fray was Muggins, and the chestnut gelding stified the choice by making it two straight over . Patrick and Monica McKinney, never being in ious difficulties. When he is good he is very, y good, but when he is bad—wow! W. J. Clem- ts of the P.-P. I. E. staff made his first appearance cally as a starter on this occasion and rendered y good service. The summaries:

2:30 mixed:
ddie G. (J. Holland).....(Lercari) 1 1
V. (J. Vermet).....(Vermet) 3 2
eneral Villa (J. D. Johnstone).....(Johnstone) 2 3
Time—2:27, 2:24½.

2:18 pace:
mma M. (Wm. Malough).....(Malough) 3 1 2
amburg Belle (J. Ginocchio).....(Becker) 4 2 1
m Murphy (E. T. Ayres).....(Ayres) 1 4 *
dy Listole (J. Doran).....(Doran) 2 3 *
*Accident.
Time—2:16, 2:17, 2:19.

2:12 pace:
ick W. (A. Ottinger).....(Becker) 1 1
radmont (G. J. Giannini).....(Goularte) 3 3
ecoto Boy (F. Goularte).....
ittle Bernice (J. C. Welsh).....(Welsh and Cohen) 4 4
Time—2:12, 2:12½.

Free-for-all trot:
uggins (H. Cohen).....(Cohen) 1 1
t. Patrick (J. J. Ryan).....(Lauterwasser) 2 2
onica McKinney (D. E. Hoffman).....(Sicotte) 3 3
Time—2:18, 2:15.

LEXINGTON RECORD MEETING.

Lexington, Ky., Thursday, June 17, 1915:
To beat 2:30¼ trotting:
erta Bellini (8) ch m by Bellini—Portrait by Al- cantara .....(Dickerson) 2:15
antika (2), bl f by Atlantic Express—Clodagh by John A. McKerron .....(Dickerson) 2:29
livia Worthy (2), b f by Axworthy—Ollis McKin- ney by McKinney .....(Miller) 2:27½
shland Worthy (2), b c by Axworthy—Graceful McKinney .....(Miller) 2:20¾
owena Worthy (2), b f by Axworthy—Sylvia Moko by Moko .....(Miller) 2:24
scar Watts (2), by Gen. Watts—Silva T. by Wig- gins .....(Traynor) 2:23
ightsome Watts (2), b f by Gen. Watts—Light- some Mary by Jay McGregor.....(Traynor) 2:23¾
ink Donna (3), ch f by Peter Donna—Maurice Mc- Gregor by Jay McGregor.....(McAllister) 2:23
ig Leaf (4), b m by Peter the Great—Carnation W. by Arion .....(McAllister) 2:19
an Verona (4), b m by San Francisco—Verona Hall by Walnut Hall.....(Horine) 2:21¼
arl of Morgan (2), bl c by Morgan Axworthy— May Earl by San Mateo.....(Bowerman) 2:29¾
ermione B. (2), b f by Morgan Axworthy—Miss Winnegerode .....(Bowerman) 2:18
elveola (2), br f by Peter the Great—Free Fancy by Simmons .....(Willis) 2:26¾
Billy Rilla (4), ch h by San Francisco—dam by Baron Wilkes .....(Willis) 2:24½
To beat 2:25¼ pacing:
King Bingen, b h by Bingen—Mrs. Jack by Ath- anio .....(McAllister) 2:19¾

THE RUSH & HAILE SALE.

Only a small band of horsemen gathered last Saturday afternoon at Suisun to bid on the band of fourteen yearling and two-year-old geldings and fillies that formed the annual offering from Suisun Stock Farm, the home of Demonio 2:11¼, the boys and girls going for the most part into the hands of A. W. Longley, Elmo Montgomery and John Grimes, of John Gwynne fame. Mr. Longley, who was accompanied by Henry Smith of Pleasanton, started his purchases with number one in the catalog and picked out the following trio: Bay filly (1) by Demonio—Maude Washington by McDonald Chief, bay gelding (1) by Vernon McKinney—Gertie A. by Diablo, and bay gelding (2) by Demonio—Corinne by California Nutwood. Elmo Montgomery took two of the tops of the sale in the black filly (2) by Gen. John B. Frisbie—Anna Mak by Unimak, and the chestnut filly (2), sister to Memonio 2:09½, by Demonio—May Norris by Norris. E. McKean secured the black filly (2) by Gen. John B. Frisbie—Hanora (dam of Oro Mo 2:09¼) by Oro Wilkes, and Ed Scally rounded up the bay gelding (1) by Montbaine—Olita by Bradtmoor, while John Grimes took everything else offered, including the brown gelding (2) by Gen. John B. Frisbie—Rosie R. by Demonio, chestnut gelding (1) by Montbaine—Elvira (sister to Gracie R. 2:10½) by Demonio, chestnut filly (2) by Demonio—Hannah (dam of Gracie R. 2:10½) by Le Grande, brown gelding (2) by Gen. John B. Frisbie—Memonio 2:09½ by Demonio, bay filly (2) by Gen. John B. Frisbie—Edna Earle by Demonio, brown gelding (2) by Gen. John B. Frisbie—Elvira by Demonio, bay gelding (1) by Montbaine—Hanora by Oro Wilkes, and two aged saddle horses.

As was expected in the light of general conditions in the trotting horse industry throughout the coast country, the prices obtained for the offerings were less than in former years, though they compare favorably with the reports from other sales held in the past several months. Though the youngsters showed that they had been very economically raised the foundation of blood and individuality was clearly shown, and as most of them went into the hands of horsemen who will give them a chance it is a mighty safe bet that they will prove profitable investments and that some of them, at least, will mature into high class campaigners.

NEBRASKA CITY, NEB.

June 15—2:13 pace, $400:
Axcyetta, ch h by Axcyone.....(Aulgier) 1 1 1
Trixie Bee, ch m by Bee Gee.....(Sefton) 3 3 2
Hal J., ch h by Hal B.....(Armstrong) 2 2 4
Bonnie B., b m by Verbosa.....(Beezley) 4 4 3
Time—2:12¼, 2:13¼, 2:13¼.

2:17 pace, $400:
Rustic Patenter, blk h by Rustic Wood.....(Hair) 1 1 1
*Bessie Winfield, blk m by Starlight...(Whitten) 2 3 6
*Allator, b h by Instalator.....(Stone) 3 6 2
Last Chance, ch g by Prince Online.....(Rhodes) 5 5 3
Shady Lady, 4-7-4; Bob Strong, 7-2-7; Colonel Hunt, 8-4-5; Diana Wilkes, 8-8-ds; Dr. Merlin, 6-dr.
(*Divided second and third money.)
Time—2:15¼, 2:15¼, 2:16¼.

2:30 trot, $400:
Aubrey O., b g by Capt. Aubrey.....(McClain) 1 1 1
Christy Chimes, ch g by Esse.....(Snider) 4 2 4
*Tommy Hooper, ch g by Geo. W. McKinney.....(Sebastian) 3 6 3
*Imperione, b m by Imperial J.....(Lyons) 2 5 5
*Watsey Todd, b g by Gen. Watts.....(Chandler) 6 4 2
Ida Etta, 5-7-7; Baroness Mack, 8-8-6; Plumtolus, 7-7-dr.; Bill Murray, 9-3-ds.; De Oro, 10-ds.
(*Divided third and fourth money.)
Time—2:22¼, 2:19¼, 2:17¼.

June 16—2:19 trot, $400:
Peter Dallas, b g by Peter Kane.....(Williams) 1 1 1
Nat U. Rich, b m by Entertainer.....(Rhodes) 3 3 3
Great Northern, b g by Wayland W.....(Ward) 6 2 2
The Empress, b m by Stilwell.....(Armstrong) 4 4 4
John D., 2-ds.; Caponnaca, 5-dr.; John Emerson, 7-ds.
Time—2:18¾, 2:15¼, 2:17.

2:22 pace, $400:
Dolly Dew, b m by Ash Rose.....(Hart) 3 2 1 1 2
Doctor H., blk h by Tony Riven.. (Whitten) 2 3 2 3 3
Alice R., ch m by Reward S.....(Beezley) 1 1 3 5 4
Frank Holloway, ch g by Geo. W. McKinney.....(Sebastian) 4 4 5
Jersey Bill, 6-5-4-4-5; Nancy V. C., 5-6-ds.; Colonel B., ds.; Baron Wizard, ds.
Time—2:17¼, 2:19¼, 2:19¼, 2:22¼, 2:20¼.

Three-year-old trot, $300:
Daisy Todd, b m by George Todd.....(Rhodes) 3 1 1
Allie Watts, ch m by General Watts.....(Edmon) 1 2 2
Valentine Smoot, b h by Searchlight A.....(Eaglesfield) 2 3 ro
*Bin Bon, b c by Binjolla.....(Nowotney) 5 4 ro
*Ella the Great, b m by Peter the Great (Chandler) 4 5 ro
Zerl McKinney, 7-6; Maggie Todd, 6-7.
(*Divided fourth money.)
Time—2:27¼, 2:25¼, 2:22¼.

Three-year-old pace, $300:
Lulie McKinney, b m by Wallace McKinney.....(Sebastian) 1 2 1
Arkancello, b c by General Watts.....(Edmon) 3 1 2
Sir Adrian, blk h by Sir Adrian.....(Williamson) 2 3
Queen Oakley, b f by King Oakley.....(Lyon) 4 4
Time—2:27¼, 2:21¼, 2:24¼.

June 17.—Rain; declared off.

Record Performances at P.-P. I. E.

While the general inclemency of the weather from a racing standpoint served to keep down the time made by the winners of the various events at the recent meeting at the exposition track, quite a number of new records were made by performers credited with the brackets in former years, while there were a few newcomers to the standard list among both trotters and pacers. Fast performances by pacers were more common than on the part of trotters, owing, doubtless to the fact that the track is more to a pacer's liking. While two new 2:10 trotters appeared, it is of interest to note that no former member of the 2:10 list, at that gait, succeeded in reducing the already existing record. The additions to and corrections for the 2:10 and standard lists appear herewith under the proper captions:

2:10 Trotters—New.

SPRIGGAN, b g (1910) by Baron McKinney 2:10¼—Helen Simmons 2:11¼ by Simmons 2:28; bred by Hillanddale Farm, Mamaroneck, N. Y.; San Francisco, June 12, driven by Will DeRyder.....2:08¼

LOE BLOSSOM, ch m (1906) by Lepide—Lillian W. by Harry Hontas 2:24¼; bred (in Ohio) by Mrs. L. B. Schenk, Phoenix, Ariz.; San Francisco, June 17, driven by Frank Childs 2:09¼

2:10 Pacers—New.

O. U. C., b g (1909) by C. the Limit 2:03¼—Rosie Woodburn 2:16 by Easter Wilkes; bred by C. L. Crellin, Pleasanton, Cal.; San Francisco, June 19, driven by Frank Childs 2:07¼

DIRECTLINE, br h (1911) by Baron Direct—Woodland Echo by Woodline 2:19; bred by Herbert Stock Farm, Denver Colo.; San Francisco, June 11, driven by J. F. McGuire 2:08¼

POTRERO BOY, b g (1909) by Demonio 2:11¼—Potrero Girl by Prince Airlie; bred by Rush & Haile, Suisun, Cal; San Francisco, June 11, driven by L. B. Daniels.....2:08¼

LIZZIE DILLON, br m (1907) by Sidney Dillon—Angela S. by Silent Chimes; bred by Sterling R. Holt, Indianapolis, Ind.; San Francisco, June 19, driven by Marvin Childs 2:09¼

2:10 Pacers—Reduced.

HAL BOY, b g (1907) by Hal B. 2:04½—Altalena by Altamont 2:26¾; bred by August Erickson, Portland, Ore.; San Francisco, June 5, driven by Marvin Childs...2:06¼ to 2:05¼

WHITE SOX, b m (1908) by Del Coronado 2:09½—Subito by Steinway 2:25¾; bred (at Los Angeles)) by Clarence J. Berry, San Francisco; San Francisco, June 19, driven by W. G. Durfee.....2:06¼ to 2:05¼

THE BEAVER, br h (1909) by Searchlight 2:03¼—Ripple 2:28½ by Glenbrook; bred by Graham Taylor, Lexington, Ky.; San Francisco, June 5, driven by W. W. Fleming.....2:08¼ to 2:05¾

Trotters Slower Than 2:10—New.

BRUTUS, b g by Strathway 2:19—Minnie C. by Mendocino 2:19½; driven by S. Christenson 2:15½

BONNIE ANSEL, b m by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby 2:20; driven by A. D. Brown.....2:16¼

MISS RICO, br f (2) by Manrico (3) 2:07¼—Subito by Steinway (3) 2:25¾; driven by W. G. Durfee.....2:21¼

ANVILITE, b c (2) by The Anvil 2:02¾—Martha Spy by The Spy; driven by C. L. DeRyder 2:22¼

Trotters Slower Than 2:10—Reduced.

THE PROOF, br h by The Exponent 2:11¾—Chord 2:27 by Wilkes Boy 2:24½; driven by Chas. Spencer.....2:29¾ to 2:11¼

ELOISE DELL, br m by Alconda Jay—Princess Dell by Prince Lovelace; driven by Chas. Silva .....2:26 to 2:14¾

AGNES CARTER, b m by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½—Excella by Monbells 2:23¾; driven by Chas. Becker.....2:20 to 2:15¾

COLUMBIA T., b m by Bon Guy (3) 2:11¾—May T. 2:15 by Monterey 2:09¼; driven by Chas. Silva .....2:22½ to 2:17½

ALLIE LOU, br f (3) by Kinney Lou 2:07¾—Lady Zombro 2:24¼ by Zombro 2:11; driven by Alonzo McDonald.....2:25 to 2:18¼

NICOLA B., br c (3) by Carlokin 2:07½—Atherine 2:16¾ by Patron 2:14¼; driven by W. G. Durfee.....2:23½ to 2:18½

Pacers Slower Than 2:10—New.

A. B. C., bl g by Young Monterey 2:24¼—Rosalie by Dudley 2:14; driven by Fred Chadbourne 2:10¼

ZOMBLACK, bl h by Zombro 2:11—Madeline Marshall by Demonio 2:11¼; driven by C. L. DeRyder.....2:10¼

JUDITH PATCH, b f by Dazzle Patch 2:09¾—Hal Raven 2:03¾ by Hal B. 2:04½; driven by Railey Macey.....2:25

Pacers Slower Than 2:10—Reduced.

BONDALEAN, br c (3) by The Bondsman—Katalina 2:11¼ by Tom Smith 2:13¼; driven by Chas. Silva.....2:20½ to 2:11¼

W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince—Psyche; driven by W. Smith.....2:14 to 2:12¼

BRADMONT, b g by Alto Leyburn 2:24½—by The Earlmont 2:09¾; driven by T. D. Sexton .....2:17½ to 2:13¼

AGNES PATCH, b f (3) by Dan Patch 1:55¼—Louise Hersey by Arion 2:07¾; driven by Railey Macey .....2:24 to 2:20½

Thousands Won by the McKinneys

If the proof of the pudding is the eating thereof, then the proof of the pedigree is the performance of the individual endowed with it. The time has gone by when stallion owners solicited patronage for their horses on their merits as mere well bred individuals, for with the changing times has come a great change in the horse market—especially insofar as the trotter is concerned. Under present day conditions the trotter, to be profitable, must be a racing proposition, and the breeder's first object is speed. With this end in view the first question asked of a stallion owner is not concerned with his individual qualities of excellence, but concerning the ability of his get—and of the get of other members of his family—to race, and race to win. In support of a stallioneer's bid for patronage nowadays nothing he can present is so eloquent as a plain statistical statement of money winning performances.

Running through the summaries of the recent meeting given by the P.-P. I. E., even the hurried reader, were he anything of a horseman or a breeder, must have noticed the frequency with which members of the great family of the McKinneys popped into print inside the money. At any local meeting in California this would not be a matter for especial notice, as in this state the blood of C. A. Durfee's old premier is most thoroughly disseminated, but in a meeting of the scope of the one just passed into history, where Grand Circuit performers gathered from various quarters to compete for the largest amount of money hung up at any one meeting in recent years, the winnings of the representatives of this one house are a matter of much congratulation among Californians.

Eighty-eight trotters and pacers won money in the contests for a gross offering of $96,500, and of this number twenty-four horses, carrying a direct cross to the son of Alcyone and Rosa Sprague, won a total of $39,425, a showing that is most remarkable. Spriggan and White Sox, top liners of the trotting and pacing brigades, respectively, are both by sons of McKinney, the latter lass having a maternal cross to the founder of the line as well, and of the entire two dozen listed below Baron McKinney 2:10¼ is the only sire represented that was not bred within the confines of this state.

Knowing the widespread allegiance to the McKinneys that exists in the hearts of Pacific coast horsemen, the appended schedule has been prepared, showing the relationship of the various money winners to the "old horse." Only performers with "direct" crosses appear, though there are notable instances of winners not shown herewith who carry the family's blood in an indirect cross, as does Albaloma, who traces to this source through the dam of his sire.

Sons and grandsons of McKinney are arranged alphabetically, with the performers under the proper branch placed in accordance to the amount won. Where the cross comes on the maternal side, notation of such is made, while those with a double cross, through both sire and dam, are duly distinguished but appear only in one place, under the sire. The complete list is as follows:

McKinney 2:11¼ (1887) by Alcyone 2:27—Rosa Sprague by Gov. Sprague 2:20½; bred in Kentucky; brought to California 1889; left California 1903.

*Miss Rico, br f (1913)—Subito by Steinway (3) 2:25¾ ..... $ 500.00

SONS OF McKINNEY 2:11¼.

Baron McKinney 2:10¼ (1904)—Ettie Baron 2:21¾ by Baron Wilkes 2:18.

Spriggan, b g (1909)—Helen Simmons 2:11¼ by Simmons 2:28 ..... 11,275.00

Carlokin 2:07½ (1901)—Carlotta Wilkes by Charley Wilkes 2:21¾.

Nicola B., br c (1912)—Atherine 2:16¾ by Patron 2:14¼ 1,250.00

Carl, bl c (1912)—My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½ 750.00

Esperanza, b f (1911)—My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½ 625.00

Del Coronado 2:09½ (1897)—Johannah Treat 2:24¾ by Thomas Rysdyk 10649.

**White Sox, b m (1908) p.—Subito by Steinway (3) 2:25¾ 9,312.50

Teddy Bear, b h (1906) p.—Queen S. 2:23 by Sable Wilkes 2:18 ..... 312.50

Princess Louise, b m (1902)—Louise by Woolsey 5337 ..... 300.00

Dr. D. C., b g (1909)—not established.. 200.00

Expressive Mac 2:25½ (1900)—Expressive (3) 2:12½ by Electioneer 125.

Clara Mac, br m (1908) p.—Clara by Howard St. Clair 2:18 ..... 812.50

Madam Mac, br m (1910) p.—by Hawthorne 10935 ..... 225.00

Kinney Lou 2:07¾ (1897)—Mary Lou 2:17 by Tom Benton 15705.

**Allie Lou, br f (1912)—Lady Zombro 2:24¼ by Zombro 2:11 ..... 2,500.00

Oro Lou, ch c (1912) p.—Zeta. W. by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ 750.00

McMyrtle 58007 (1902)—Myrtledale by Iran Alto 2:12¼.

John Gwynne, b g (1908)—by Secretary 28378 ..... 200.00

Royal McKinney 2:29¾ (——) — Hattie Hero by Director 2:17.

Leata J., b m (1908)—Geraldine 2:16¾ by Mt. Vernon 2:15¼ 2,250.00

Tom Smith 2:13¼ (1897)—Daisy S. by McDonald Chief 3583.

Baby Doll, b m (1909)—Kate Lumry 2:20½ by Shadeland Onward 2:18½.. 500.00

*Bondalean, br c (1912) p.—Katalina 2:11¼ 400.00

Zolock 2:05¼ (1895) p.—Gazelle G. 2:11½ by Gossiper 2:14¾.

Zoetrix, ch m (1910) p.—Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ 125.00

Zombro 2:11 (1892)—Whisper by Almont Lightning 1025.

*Virginia Barnette, b f (1911)—Zephyr 2:07¼ 5,450.00

Zomblack, bl h (1908) p.—Madeline Marshall by Demonio 2:11¼ 700.00

Imbro, br h (1907) p.—Athlene 2:19½ by Coeur d'Alene 2:19½ 225.00

GRANDSONS OF McKINNEY 2:11¼.

Barney Barnato 2:19½ (1899)by Zombro 2:11.

Sheldon B., b g (1912) p.—Ramona by Prince Robert 300.00

McAdrian 2:24 (1903), by Guy McKinney 37625.

Trix McAdrian, br m (1907) p.—Mountain Girl by Mountain Boy 4841..... 162.50

Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼ (1909), by Kinney Lou 2:07¾.

Natalday, br g (1913)—Ella J. by Bob Mason 2:27¼ 300.00

Total.....$39,425.00

*Maternal cross.
**Double cross.

The premium list of the Interstate Fair to be held September 13 to 18 at Spokane, Wash., is out and copies may be obtained by addressing Secretary George P. Larsen, Spokane. This is the twenty-second annual event of the Association, and as usual the premiums offered are liberal and the classification very comprehensive. The interstate is the "one best bet" among inland empire fairs and the patronage accorded it this season should make it the best of the series.

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White Sox 2:05¼ and Clara Mac 2:04½ look like a nice pair for Will Durfee to couple in his entries in the 2:06 pacing stakes on the big line next year—always providing, of course, that Sox doesn't race into a faster class this fall or that Clara doesn't "gum up" the second's time allowance that she acquired at the exposition meeting.

Lexington has a good list of entries for her fea events to be raced in October.

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The center of interest in the trotting world shifted from San Francisco to Cleveland, where Grand Circuit opens on July 19.

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During the absence of Boss DeRyder at the ra George Ryan is looking after the general welfar things at Pleasanton Driving Park, and just now everything in tip-top shape for the butchers' pic tomorrow and Monday.

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In response to a recent inquiry concerning breeding of Foxhall, the great runner was by K Alfonso, son of Phaeton and Capitola, by Vandal, his dam was Jamaica by Lexington, grandam Fa Ludlow by imp. Eclipse, great-grandam Mollie Ja son by Vandal.

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G. D. Armstead of the Hotel Reynolds and J. Backstrand, president of the Riverside District F Association, "represented" for Riverside at the cent race meeting here and did some good wo boosting for their fair, one of the very few lo expositions, with horse racing, to be given this y in California.

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While Will Durfee was rounding up some ste thousand dollars at the exposition meeting, the st at-homes at Los Angeles were not absolutely ba ward about making speed. King Lilly Pointer, the Nesmith stable, got along to a few miles bel 2:10 with halves in 1:01¼, and several others in t same string improved their previous figures cons erably.

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Mr. and Mrs. Dwight L. Hackett, after an easte visit of some months' duration, arrived back on t coast in time to witness a portion of the expositi meeting, where they met many old friends. M Hackett, formerly editor of this publication and mo recently proprietor of Wheel and Saddle, is muc improved in health as a result of his rest and ti change.

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The home guards at Pleasanton are saying nic things about the five-year-old mare Beretta Dee Charley D. 2:06¼, dam Beretta 2:22½ (sister C. the Limit 2:03¼) in the Lanark Park stable. Sh has been making speed nicely for Trainer Henry an late last week went the route in 2:13½, with a ha in 1:02¾. She is a nice individual and looks to b the making of the first 2:10 performer for her sir

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Charley and Will DeRyder, Bert Webster, Home Rutherford and Barney Barnes all shipped their can paigners from Pleasanton to Kearny, Nebraska, an will take in a few meetings in that locality prior t the opening of the Grand and Great Western Cir cuits. Charley and Mrs. DeRyder, with Pete Russel stowed in the tonneau as ballast and general hand man, made the trip overland in the big Lozier, an at last reports were progressing famously.



McKINNEY 2:11¼

Beating Back

Recently the Horseman published a tabulation entitled "Progress of the Century," mentioning the most noteworthy trotting performance recorded year by year since 1806, asking the question "How far back can you remember?" Here is an answer from one of their readers, proving him possessed both of excellent memory and genuine love for the horse:

I recall very well my ride in a milk train from Elgin to Chicago to see the trot between Flora Temple and Princess on Sept. 16, 1859. I arrived at my sister's home at 5. Her husband, Merritt Squires, was superintendent of the North Clark Street Bus line. I hold him the cause of my coming. He was amused and said, "I will make you collector on the bus line. I will run to the races." I met each bus about a quarter of a mile from the track and collected the fares until the races were ready to start. I remember one man refused to pay. I grabbed his hat and ran. Well, he paid.

I went inside. There I saw my first shell game. A man asked me to pick the pea for 25 cents. I won. Well, I guessed again and bet all I had, $5, and lost. I have never since then bet on another man's game.

And now my dreams were to be a fact. I ran to where Flora was and looked her over from hoofs to ears, ears to her short tail, and wondered where her speed came from. I watched the hitching, stood in front, at side and behind, and noticed how her eyes stood out. She could almost see her driver.

The other mare was really a Princess, the epitome of beauty and pride. The race was on. How I was thrilled at the finish of that first heat. My breath finally became normal. Princess knew she was beaten and was a vixen in the second and third heats.

I remember well the first horse I ever owned. It was a mustang, bought in June, 1898, of Mr. Phelps, a liveryman of Elgin. He had bought the horse out of a lot of mustangs that passed through Elgin. I had a fine pointer dog. Phelps wanted him—result, I gave my dog, a one-barrel shot gun, a meerschaum pipe, and a razor for the brute. One Saturday afternoon I was ready for my first ride. After some trouble he was driven in the stable, bridled, a sheet thrown over his head and a saddle strapped on. I was thrown on the saddle, the blanket was pulled from his head and then—well, he landed across the road against a carriage factory, whirled, bolted across the bridge, through under the railroad and out on the Plato road. As it was up hill for two miles, I got my wind, socked my spurs in for keeps, gave him a shout and commenced to enjoy my ride. The mustang finally said stop, but I was not through. A man cut me a stalk of orange hedge with the prickers on. When I got back to the stable he knew what "whoa" meant, and I was boss. Broke him to harness and sold him to a milkman and made $50.

My next purchase, in Kansas City in 1868, was a wind broken, pacing mustang. Then came a spavined gray trotter. Next a peacock mare, a fearful knee knocker. Having paid for the general blemishes I became a student. In the fall of 1870 bought a Mountain Boy colt from a mover from Vermont to Kansas. Very handsome and could trot in 2:50 on the road.

I helped organize a driving club in Kansas City. Delaware street was the wholesale district and we were all quite horsey. I wrote a membership agreement calling for 50 members at an initiation fee of $100, gave it to my shipping clerk and within two hours he returned with a filled list, Jerome and Carson subscribed $1,000. We completed a half mile track, and this was where our first fair was held, and where Jesse James rode through the grounds taking the money at the gates. We gave a race meet. Pilot Temple, Gov. Sprague and many others were there. Pilot Temple was the only horse I ever saw who could trot, pace, rack and run, all within 150 feet. Marvin was there, and that reminds me of Smuggler.

There were no railroads in southern Kansas and each spring four of us would hire a span of Indian ponies and carriage and make a trip of four to six weeks, visiting our customers. We left Kansas City one day at 1 p. m., drove to Olathe, 25 miles. The stableman told us of a stallion that belonged to a Methodist minister, who lived 12 miles south of Olathe, that could pace very fast, price $175. It was on our way to Paola and we stopped to see him, and that was Smuggler. We were gone about four weeks. On our return we neared Olathe and saw two men, a dog, and the minister's pacing horse. And there I saw my first trotting hobbles. Saw him fall, turn short, Marvin whipped his legs and set the dog after him, and he struct his first trot. I afterwards saw that great race at Cleveland when Marvin pulled out from behind, I remember, and his great drive. He won, I think, his record of 2:15¼. I afterwards owned a Smuggler gelding, bought from W. H. Wilson.

This reminds me of my first meeting with Wilson at Covington, Ky., in the fall of 1865. He paid me $200 for a pacing gelding that I had bought for $7.50 in the spring at a sale of condemned government stock. He moved to Lexington and sold the pacer for a large price. Mr. Wilson told me afterwards that the pacer started him in a winning channel. After he moved to Cynthiana I became very intimate with him and his family. I was the starter at Cynthiana meetings, and at one held in October, 1884, Wilson started Array by Arnold, out of Annie Cook, owned by Dr. Herr and Wilson, for a record. Wilson was a convert to Marvin's long toe, and Array had the worst bowed tendons I ever saw. He went to the half in 1:10, finished in 2:33. The next morning I told Wilson I thought he was making a mistake with Array's long toes, and then he gave me the only impatient word in twenty years' intimate friendship. "If you know better than I do about Array you better buy him." "Your price?" He blurted out "$500." "He is my horse," I said. I went into the office, wrote a check for $500. I at once had his toes shortened, shipped him to Covington that day, drove him barefoot three months, using my own wash on tendons, and in the spring his legs were perfect. And please remember I had a great team that summer in Array and Aifred. Alfred was by Socrates, dam by Justin Morgan. Array was very steady and Alfred could not run and now, twenty years afterward, the pleasure of many years with my horses still clings. Array died in his stall, his head in my lap, and my loving caress seemed to soothe him and so his spirit passed to a haven of eternal happiness to which he was entitled.

FUN DRIVERS TO CELEBRATE ON MONDAY.

Contrary to their established custom the members of the San Francisco-California Driving Club will not hold a matinee tomorrow afternoon at the exposition track, but on Monday will put on a card of five races over the P.-P. I. E. course, starting promtly at one o'clock. The exposition people furnish the trophies for the day and make the races a portion of the special free attractions that mark the "Fourth of July" program, there being no charge for admission to the race track enclosure or the grandstand. The entries include almost all of the favorites of the present season, as well as some "old timers" who make their first start of the year on this occasion, and some new ones for whom it will be their debut, locally. The fields are good sized ones in almost every instance and if the weather is favorable there will probably gather the largest crowd that the big grandstand has yet held, though it will be a case of "going some" if the attendance of June nineteenth is surpassed. The entries are as follows:

First race, 2:12 pace: Bradmont, Happy Dentist, Pointer Belle, Decoto Boy, W. J. K., Delilah.

Second race, 2:15 pace: Hamburg Belle, Edith Light, J. C. Simpson, Aerolite Jr., Tom Murphy, King Pointer, Jack, Palitea, G. J. P., Emma M., Senator H.

Third race, free-for-all pace: Dick W., Vera Hal, Little Bernice, Frank N.

Fourth race, free-for-all trot: Graham Bellini, St. Patrick, Agnes Carter, Muggins, Birdeye, J. C. Simpson, Monica McKinney.

Fifth race, 2:25 mixed: Hello Girl, Marin, Rose O., Victor Pointer, Laddie G., St. Thomas, Harold K., J. V.

MONDAY'S RACES AT PLEASANTON.

Folks in this section of California who are in a quandary as to where to spend the Fourth will make no mistake by selecting Pleasanton as the proper place for a day or two of enjoyment, as the Butchers' Exchange of Alameda county stage their annual celebration there tomorrow and Monday, devoting Sunday to a general good time and reinforcing Monday's program with a good card of horse races. There are no counter-celebrations in the Livermore valley or in Oakland, aside from the customary "splurges" at the amusement parks, and the Pleasanton affair should draw well, especially as the railroads have made very moderate round trip rates for the occasion.

The special race for members of the trade failed to fill on the original closing date, but the program will probably be rounded out by the staging of a late closing event, though as it stands a good afternoon's sport is assured. The fields are composed very largely of horses that were winners or contenders at the recent meeting at the exposition, the complete list of entries being as follows:

Special for members of the Oakland Stadium Club, purse $250: Lena Lee by Teddy Ray, F. W. LeBallister; Sleepy Dick by Grover Clay, Wm. F. Rutherford; Grand W. by Daken D., A. L. Hines; Hallie's Star by Star Pointer, A. Edstrom; Allegro by Star Pointer, G. C. Schreiber.

2:20 trot, purse $500: Eloise Dell, br m by Alconda Jay, C. F. Silva; Bon Cres, bl h by Bon Voyage, J. J. Campbell; Brutus, b g by Strathway, S. Christenson; Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel, Alex Brown; Dione II, b m by Cupid, Santa Cruz Lime and Cement Co.

2:20 pace, purse $500: Bondalean, br c by The Bondsman, C. F. Silva; Asa Pointer, b g by Star Pointer, A. V. Mendenhall; Zoetrix, ch m by Zolock, J. W. Marshall; A. B. C., bl g by Young Monterey, W. B. Alford; William G., ch g by Clarence Wilkes, Wm. Godfrey; W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince, Kenney & Smith; Mountain Dee, b h by Charley D., Santa Cruz Lime and Cement Co.

2:12 trot, purse $600: Columbia T., b m by Bon Guy, C. F. Silva; Bodaker, ro h by Antrim, S. Christenson; Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel, Alex Brown; Harold C., b g by Bon Voyage, H. S. Burns; Redeem, b g by Directum II, J. W. Paulsen.

FUTURE OF HUDSON RIVER FARM.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., June 9.—The Hudson River Driving Park, the property of the late Jacob Ruppert, will be continued and the fine mile track preserved. This became known yesterday when Colonel Jacob Ruppert, son of the late multi-millionaire brewer, visited this city and spent almost five hours at the driving park. Colonel Ruppert visited every part of the big farm, accompanied by W. W. Shuitt, the superintendent, who explained to him every detail of the workings of the farm.

Colonel Ruppert expressed a desire to carry out the wishes of his father in every respect and he soon made it known that he had no intention to tear the track up. While here he had a talk with H. N. Bain, proprietor of the Nelson House, who was a close friend of the late Jacob Ruppert.

In regard to the plans for the Dutchess County Fair, Colonel Ruppert said it was his desire to carry out the wishes of his father and that whatever arrangement he had made with the fair association would be carried out. Mr. Bain said he had had a talk with Mr. Ruppert in February in regard to the use of the driving park for the fair and he told of the plans as discussed at that time. The fair will be held in the fall as originally planned if the guarantee fund to be raised by a Chamber of Commerce committee to support the fair association is raised. The committee to canvass for this fund was appointed several weeks ago.

In discussing the future plans for the driving park, following Colonel Ruppert's visit here, W. W. Shuitt, the superintendent of the park, said there would be no changes until fall. In the fall the stock will be reduced about half. The number of stallions for public service will be reduced to two, Guy Axworthy and Wurtemburg. Oakland Baron will of course spend the rest of his days on the farm. The number of brood mares will be reduced from fifty to twenty-five. The colts and young horses will also be reduced by half. There are at present 126 young trotters at the park. About sixty head will be sold off. In reducing the stock at the farm Colonel Ruppert is only carrying out the plan of his father, who had before his death planned to cut down the stock.

Some of the stock farm will also undoubtedly be sold off as the acreage is considerably larger than necessary, especially in view of the proposed reduction of the stock.

The stall rent to trainers has been reduced. This, it is believed, will encourage more trainers to come here. Bud Murray is to arrive here Friday from Goshen with his great two-year-old trotter by Justice Brooke.

The driving park is a part of the property of the Jacob Ruppert Realty Corporation. By the will of Jacob Ruppert, Mrs. Ruppert, widow of the deceased, and Colonel Ruppert are to hold one thousand shares of the capital stock of the corporation. Colonel Ruppert is made president of the corporation. Colonel Ruppert will succeed his father as president of the Hudson River Driving Park Association. H. N. Bain continues as secretary.—Horseman.

Madsie McNutward by Madison McKinney, dam Abbie McNutward by Guy McKinney, foaled on June thirteenth a coal black filly by Derbertha Bells and has been bred back to the same stallion. The youngster's name, Triberbine Bells—a name that Owner J. W. Pendleton states her to appear worthy of in every way—serves to indicate her triple relation to Bertha and Columbine, with a line to Beautiful Bells.

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John W. Considine, after his recent visit in the Blue Grass, is most optimistic concerning the future of his youngsters in the stable of Hunter Moody. Suldine (1) 2:24¾ is trotting miles below 2:20 just like a genuine stake colt, and a number of the yearlings are showing a world of whizz, Mr. Moody being well satisfied that he can place Carrietta 2:18 in a truly unique position among matrons by giving her Peter the Great yearling a standard record this season, and "going this one better" in his predictions for Anselila, the precocious Prince Ansel—Ila Moko trotter. His aim with this lass is the reduction of Miss Stokes' world's record of 2:19¼, and from the way she is handling her work to date she seems to have a most excellent chance to make good.

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A recent letter from Dr. R. C. Simpson of Armidale, New South Wales, Australia, confirms Will Green's previous letter that Don Pronto arrived in Sidney in the best of condition, Dr. Simpson also going further and expressing his entire satisfaction with his new purchase, and his gratification concerning the square deal given him by Mr. Durfee and the excellent care rendered Don Pronto by Will Green, who is still looking after the game son of Silurian and The Director General. Dr. Simpson writes that he came in for a good deal of chaffing from his wise friends when he made an expenditure of well towards two thousand dollars by cable for a horse of which he knew nothing save his "paper career" and an advertisement's statement, but that now the laugh is the other way around. The Don is not only the fastest horse in Australasia but one of the most aristocratically bred ones in the world, and as evidence of the esteem in which he is held in his new home his book for his initial stud season, which commences on September first, is rapidly filling. Dr. Simpson deserves every success as a reward for his enterprise and judging the future at long range it doesn't look like the Don would long owe him any money.

SPEED PERPETUATING STALLIONS.

The official Year Book of The American Trotting Register Association states that 30,974 trotters in America, up to the close of 1914, had made records in standard time, viz., 2:30 or better. The number that then were credited with standard pacing records, viz., 2:25 or better, was 22,878.

The total number of performers that then had made records in standard time in America was 53,852.

The number of stallions that sired these 53,852 performers was 10,651, making the average number of standard performers, to each, five and a small fraction.

The greatest number of standard performers ever and furthermore, inasmuch as Napoleon Direct total 263. That stallion is Allerton 2:09¼, whose sire was Jay Bird 2:31¾, a son of George Wilkes 2:22. The stallion that comes next in rank as a sire of standard performers is Gambetta Wilkes 2:19¼, now credited with 111 trotters and 122 pacers; total 233. Gambetta Wilkes was a son of George Wilkes.

The value of a standard-bred trotting stallion as a stock horse depends upon his ability to breed on—that is, to perpetuate standard record speed quality through his sons and daughters, especially through his sons. Some stallions that have been very successful as sires of standard performers have not endowed their sons with the ability to transmit standard record speed qualities to their offspring which were less successful as sires of standard performers. Blue Zull 75 and Hambletonian 10 were good examples.

Blue Bull got 60 standard performers, 56 of which were trotters. Hambletonian got 40 standard performers, all trotters. It will be seen that the number of standard performers sired by Blue Bull was just 50 per cent greater than by Hambletonian, but the sons of Hambletonian sired 1717 that made standard records, while the sons of Blue Bull sired only 139. The sons of Hambletonian sired nearly nine and one-half times as many standard performers as those of Blue Bull.

Daughters of Blue Bull produced 182 standard performers, while those of Hambletonian produced only 119.

The 60 standard performers sired by Blue Bull added to the 139 sired by his sons and the 182 produced by his daughters show that his number of standard record performers in the first and second generations was 391.

The 40 standard performers sired by Hambletonian added to the 1717 sired by his sons and the 119 produced by his daughters make 1876 of his descendants in the first and second generations that took standard records.

Although the ability of Blue Bull as a sire of standard performers was 50 per cent greater than that of Hambletonian, the ability of Hambletonian to perpetuate standard record speed qualities was very nearly five times as great as that of Blue Bull.

There is no fairer or more accurate method of measuring the speed perpetuating ability of any stallion, or of determining the relative ability of different stallions as speed perpetuators than by learning and comparing the number of each made in the first and second generations which have made records in standard time, as shown in the Great Table of the official Year Book, issued annually by The American Trotting Register Association.

The late Col. Walter T. Chester, author of Chester's Complete Trotting and Pacing Records, classed as aristicratic sires all stallions which were credited with 50 or more descendants in the first and second generations that had made records in standard time; and, as supreme aristocratic sires, all stallions that were credited with 500 or more such descendants.

It has already been stated that the number of stallions which had sired one or more standard performers up to the close of 1914 was 10,651. According to a table recently published in "The Horseman and Spirit of the Times," the number of aristocratic sires or stallions that were each credited with 50 or more descendants with standard records was 383; and the number of supreme aristocratic sires or stallions, each with 500 or more such descendants to his credit, was only 28. Their names and number of descendants are given in the following table:

Year Foaled	Name of Stallion	Number Sired	Number Sired by Sons	Number Produced by Daughters	Number Descendants in Two Generations
1856	George Wilkes 2:22	83	3,201	207	3,491
1868	Electioneer 125	160	1,869	185	2,214
1870	Nutwood 2:18¾	174	1,318	397	1,889
1849	Hambletonian 10	40	1,717	119	1,876
1875	Onward 2:25¼	200	1,023	301	1,524
1874	Red Wilkes 1749	178	1,016	307	1,501
1882	Baron Wilkes 2:18	157	924	260	1,341
1864	Belmont 64	59	717	152	928
1878	Jay Bird 2:31¾	148	608	130	884
1876	Alcantara 2:23	175	504	191	870
1877	Alcyone 2:27	59	716	72	847
1864	Almont 33	37	609	136	782
1881	Gambetta Wilkes 2:19¼	233	369	160	762
1863	Happy Medium 2:32½	94	461	164	719
1886	Allerton 2:09¼	263	360	92	715
[illegible]	Wilkes Boy 2:24½	107	465	128	700
1893	Bingen 2:06¼	175	483	40	698
1871	Robert McGregor 2:17½	108	317	240	665
1872	Mambrino King 1279	77	383	202	662
1887	McKinney 2:11¼	192	380	44	616
1886	Axtell 2:12	151	343	105	599
1863	Dictator 113	60	365	144	569
1879	Simmons 2:28	136	307	115	558
1866	Strathmore 408	88	236	230	554
1879	Guy Wilkes 2:15¼	91	333	114	540
1875	Bourbon Wilkes 2345	98	334	97	529
1879	Pilot Medium 1597	127	292	109	528
1882	Ashland Wilkes 2:17¼	170	283	69	522

The wonderful ability of Hambletonian and his descendants to perpetuate standard record speed qualities is one of the most striking features of the above list of supreme aristocratic sires. In all, there are only 28 stallions that have gained that distinction. Hambletonian 10 is one of them, and 26 of the other 27 trace directly to Hambletonian in the paternal line. Five of the 26 were sons of Hambletonian, including George Wilkes, who stands at the head of the list, and Electioneer, who is next in rank to George Wilkes.

The number of standard record descendants of George Wilkes in the first and second generations is greater than has been produced by any other two stallions that ever lived. Eleven of the 28 stallions in the supreme list were sons of George Wilkes. This is more than one-third of the entire number of stallions in that list and more than twice as many sons as Hambletonian 10 has there.

Electioneer 125, who ranks next to George Wilkes as a perpetuator of standard record speed qualities, is not yet credited with a son in the supreme list. He is credited with one grandson there, viz., Bingen 2:06¼ and the latter is the most successful standard-record speed-perpetuating sire of his age that ever lived. His dam was by Young Jim 2009, one of the handsomest, best finished and most blood-like 16-hand sons of George Wilkes, and his second dam was by Red Wilkes 1749, another 16-hand son of George Wilkes, and one of his most successful standard-record speed perpetuating sons. Bingen also has gained the marked distinction of being the sire of the world's champion trotter, Uhlan 1:58, the fastest trotter by the records that the world has yet produced. Bingen is seven years younger than any other stallion in that noted list of the supreme aristocratic sires.

Another very remarkable sire in that list is Alcyone 2:27, foaled in 1877, and died at Highlawn Farm, Lee, Mass., July 4, 1887. Alcantara 2:23, also in that list, was a full brother of Alcyone 2:27, was foaled one year earlier than the latter, and was 31 years old when he died. He got about five times as many living foals as was begotten by Alcyone.

The number of Alcantara's descendants in the first and second generations that have made records in standard time is 870. The number of Alcyone's standard record performers in the first and second generations is 847, or only 23 less than Alcantara's.

The Year Book shows that 80 sons of Alcantara were credited with 504 standard performers, while 56 sons of Alcyone were credited with 716 that had sired an average of a fraction more than six standard performers each, while the 56 sons of Alcyone had sired an average of about 13 standard performers each. This shows that the ability of Alcyone to perpetuate standard record speed qualities was considerably greater than that of his full brother, Alcantara.

The four stallions that furnished a greater number of new standard performers in the first and second generations of their descendants in 1914 were Bingen 2:06¼, credited with 160; McKinney 2:11¼, with 84; Baron Wilkes 2:18, with 78; Peter the Great 2:07¼, credited with 76. No other stallion was credited with as many as 70 new standard performers furnished in 1914. It will be seen that Bingen furnished nearly as many new standard performers in 1914 as any two of the most successful speed perpetuating sires.

McKinney and Baron Wilkes, combined, furnished 162 new standard performers that season, which is only two more than were furnished by Bingen. McKinney and Peter the Great, combined, furnished 160, which just equals the number furnished that season by Bingen.

These plain facts gleaned from the official Year Boow show that, as a speed perpetuator in the first and second generations, George Wilkes surpassed any other stallion that ever lived. His nearest rival as shown in the table was Electioneer. The speed perpetuating ability of George Wilkes up to the present time, as shown by the table, was more than 50 per cent greater than Electioneer's.

The closest rival of Bingen as a progenitor of new standard performers in 1914 was McKinney, the most distinguished son of Alcyone; but the number furnished by Bingen was a fraction more than 90 per cent greater than by McKinney, and a trifle more than 105 per cent greater than furnished by either Baron Wilkes or Peter the Great. The wonderful ability of Bingen as a perpetuator of standard record speed qualities is becoming more apparent with the issue of each Year Book.—S. W. Parlin in the Horse Breeder.

DEATH OF DEXTER'S BREEDER.

Jonathan Hawkins, the breeder of Dexter 2:17¼, Dictator 113, and other famous horses, died at his home at Montclair, N. J., on June 15, aged 75 years. The deceased is survived by a wife and son, Frederick. He celebrated his golden wedding last year. In "The Horseman" of March 3, 1914, appeared Mr. Hawkins' own story of Dexter, whom he sold for $400. The McKinstry mare, grandam of Dexter, was the property of Mr. Hawkins' mother. In 1847 she was bred to American Star and produced the great Clara. Mr. Hawkins rode Clara to school for two years and the following year bred her to Hambletonian, then standing at a $35 fee, and the result was Dexter. The colt showed a lot of speed in pasture, romping with a dog to which he became attached. In June, 1862, when Dexter was a four-year-old, the late George Alley of New York witnessed this performance and paid $400 for the colt. The speed shown by Dexter and other Hambletonian colts caused Rysdyk to raise the service fee of his horse to $75 in 1863. In 1863 Dexter showed a mile in 2:31¼ for Hiram Woodruff, which was considered very fast for a green trotter in those days, and this trial and the showing of several other colts of Hambletonian caused Rysdyk to raise the horse's fee to $100 in 1864. In 1864 Dexter defeated Stonewall Jackson and in 1864 Hambletonian's fee went to $300. On Oct. 10, 1865, Dexter trotted a mile to saddle in 2:18¼, a new world's record. By doing so he won for his owner the big end of a $10,000 to $2,000 bet proposed by Eph Snedeker. In 1866 Hambletonian's fee went to $500, where it remained the rest of his life. In the spring of 1866 Dexter was sold at auction and bid in at $14,000. In 1867 he lowered the world's record to 2:17¼ and was sold to Robert Bonner for the then record price of $35,000, and was never raced professionally after that year. Mr. Hawkins was among the last of the Orange County breeders who had to do with the birth of the sport.—Horseman.

HORSEMAN CORRESPONDENT PAYS COMPLIMENTS TO AN ESTEEMED CONTEMPORARY.

June 18, 1914.

Editor of "The Horseman":

The report of the racing at San Francisco, on June 12, which appeared in the Horse Review, ought to be severely criticised for the false information it contains, as your contemporary promised "the most authoritative account of the San Francisco races in any turf paper," or words to that effect. I don't blame the presiding judge, who was supposed to report the meeting, for Saturday's story. It is difficult to see just how the report of June 12 could reach the Review in time for publication, if Uncle Sam's usual method of transmission was handling the only "authoritative" advice from the coast.

What then remained? Surely telegraph wires were not intrusted with news of such import, unless, indeed, a cipher code had been arranged. One way still remains—the wireless! Eureka! Why not that thought before? The plot (which e'en yet may make a bonanza for the enterprising movie man) unfolds as if by magic. The dark visaged, handsome correspondent-official inscribing the "authoritative" message with feverish haste—his rush to the wireless station (and perhaps his ascent up the towering pole above the Golden Gate, in his anxiety to get his message on the way)—its flight across desert, hill and dale, dale and hill and desert, until it was stopped by the swaying apparatus that surmounts the Masonic Building—the quick grasping by the statistical editor of the message, as it slid, word by word, off into his waiting fingers—hoarse orders—rumbling presses— and the only "authoritative" message is given to a waiting world.

But (and again we come down from our lofty flight to the stern realities of the work-a-day world) was the message preserved intact, and as originally drafted? Great as is science, there yet is no absolute protection against the possibility of messages becoming muddled up with one another. Wireless messages are speeding everywhere, in these troublous times. Villa is embracing Carranza, the Kaiser is submarining, the suffragettes are marching and voting, and Ben Walker is driving—all by wireless. May not a more reasonable (or at least charitable) explanation of the apparent discrepancies of portions of the only "authoritative" report of the exposition races, lie in the fact that one or more other wireless messages (even though less in import) of entirely different subject matter, came into head-on collision with it in its lonely flight across the Rockies and deserts, and in the incident caused the aggregate to become as hopelessly scrambled as interlocking directorates?

In the report of June 12, it is stated that "Al Whitney drew Dr. Burns, Jr., after the second heat, it being understood that he did not care to take any chances of injuring the stallion before the $20,000 2:06 pace next Saturday." My advice on the affair is that Dr. Burns Jr. was practically a broken down horse when he finished the second mile, and that it is extremely doubtful if he ever starts again.

Again, the Review report states that Spriggan finished the third heat "as comfortable as in the first." The "comfortable" part of the situation will appeal with particular force to those who imagined that the son of Baron McKinney possibly was irritated slightly in this mile in view of the fact that DeRyder was using all the skill at his command to land the gelding ahead of Peter McCormick, that cut down the lead so amazingly as to make the issue very doubtful.

It is unfortunate (?) that "The Horseman" has had to depend for information of the big events upon a mere, modest, daily paper scribe—Tom Gahagan by name—whose nosing around among the prominent stables from one end of the Grand Circuit to the other for a period of years, and whose acquaintance with owners, trainers and horsemen generally, being perhaps the most extensive of any correspondent of the day, could not in any sense qualify him to be considered so "authoritative" as a man connected officially with the exposition races. The advantages of the latter individual are unquestioned, as the public, no doubt, with me readily acknowledges.

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THE WOOD DUCK IN CALIFORNIA.

[By Harold C. Bryant.]

wood duck is the most beautiful of all our Its only near competitor in this respect is relative, the mandarin duck of Asia. But even lliancy of coloring in this species is super- by that of the wood duck.

nerly the wood duck was to be found through country west of the Sierras. At the present is but a rare local resident of the Sacramento n Joaquin valleys and westward to the coast. always been rare in Southern California, where ble conditions are lacking. A specimen taken mona, San Diego county, furnishes the south- st record. The wood duck frequents timber ed streams, fresh water sloughs, especially in k belt. It cannot be considered a distinctly ory species, for in most instances it is perma- resident within the State. Occasionally a migration toward the north in April and to uth in October is noticeable.

crest and the bright coloring of the wood duck conspicuous that the bird is usually recogniz- t sight. The pure white under parts and the d head crossed by white stripes are character- f the male. The female although lacking the coloration to be found in the male, displays metallic colors than do the females of other s of ducks and in addition it is recognized by hite eye-ring which extends back of the eye as te streak.

od ducks seldom stray far from the scheduled us and sloughs which constitute their habitat. ionally one may be startled from the ground oak forest or from the limb of a tree overhang- stream. But more often they are seen swim- in some secluded slow-moving creek or river. s one of the few ducks to select a hole in a tree nesting site. Usually the nest is built above ater and from fifteen to fifty feet above the d. Quite often the nest itself, which is com- largely of debris from the cavity and lined down, is placed several feet below the entrance hole. The hollow end of a broken off branch quently selected, as is also the deserted hole red-shafted flicker or other wood pecker. A number of eggs, usually ten to fifteen, are laid. wood duck returns to the same nesting site year year. Unlike most ducks, the male is usually found in the near vicinity of the nest, and he ently stands guard while the female is incubat- The young either tumble out of the nest, or as vers have asserted, are carried to the water one ie in the bill of the mother.

e wood duck is noted for its swiftness and grace ght. The bird is very much at home in a thick th of trees and it flies about among the branches apparent ease.

a rule the wood duck feeds upon aquatic insects plants found along the stream where it makes ome. But in addition the bird often forages t the woods in search of other food. They have seen feeding in corn and wheat fields and still often on acorns. The stomachs of several exam- have contained large quantities of acorns.

ie flesh of the wood duck is said to be delicious, for many years certain hunters preferred to this duck to the exclusion of all others. Our hope of making use of this bird as food lies in icial propagation.

ie bird is readily domesticated and there is no t reason why it cannot be raised in captivity and on the market. At present there is a brisk and from breeders and pleasure parks for it.

me of the early writers state that the wood duck very common in California in their day. In many es in the State, as, for instance, in Marin and oma counties, wood ducks were to be found in bers previous to 1890. There have been no re- s of the occurrence of this species in many of same localities in recent years. Individuals are sionally reported as having been seen along the ramento river and in the vicinity of Gridley, Butte ty, but farther than this, and an occasional one rted by a collector or market hunter, the species ow almost unknown. During the season 1895 to there were sold on the markets of San Francisco Los Angeles 440 wood ducks. During the season 910 and 1911 but six of these ducks were sold on market of San Francisco, and during the follow- winter, not more than two or three.

can be seen, therefore, that the wood duck, nerly abundant in California, is now nearly ex- t. Most of the eastern States have protected this cies for several years, and fortunately the federal ratory bird law now gives this duck total protec- in this state. It is to be hoped that legislation come in time to save this beautiful species.

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ussian river, particularly in the deep holes near erneville, is said to be alive with crawfish—these staceans are called ecrevisse in the restaurants t you pay one buck, or more, per dozen for them.

SOUTH COAST COYOTE SHOOTING.

[By "Stillhunter."]

A long time ago, when I first began to scatter ink over the pages of Western Field, I wrote a short sketch on the stalking of a couple of the little gray wolves whose name adorns the head of this article. They are among the most characteristic of all California's fauna, and, next to the grizzly and the mountain lion, may be called typical animals of the State.

It is, doubtless, needless for me to state that the coyote is a small gray wolf, long of leg and thinner of brush than any other wolf known to the North American continent, yet in no wise like either the jackals or the hyenas of the Orient, nor yet the dingoes or wild dogs of the Antipodes, to all of which I have heard our California coyotes erroneously compared.

As a rule the coyote makes no den, in the sense of occupying a cave in the rocks or a hole in the hollow of a tree, as does the Eastern gray wolf, or even the big black timber wolves. These latter were the terror of the farmers of Minnesota and Wisconsin and Michigan in the days when I was a boy in those States, and I learned more of them than I could do now, when they are so nearly extinct in all civilized parts of the Union.

The female coyote makes a "form" in the tall grass or in the brush of some secluded canyon mouth in which to have her young, or, more rarely, scratches out the mouth of a badger or squirrel hole to a size sufficient to shelter her and her cubs. One family which I remember finding in the hills of the Chindo Ranch in Orange county were snugly hidden in a curve in a fallen sycamore trunk. They were found only by the writer's almost jumping on them as he cleared the log while following his pack of hounds which had treed a wild cat a few hundred yards down the canyon, and to whose frantic barking "treed!" he was responding as fast as human legs would permit.

So far as I can learn, though I have seen but three broods in my brief and plain career, the coyote mother has but two young at a birth, possibly three at the most. Families of five have been shown me as taken from one form but I doubted the hunter's word then, and have since had no reason to change my mind. The young are pretty little things, and insofar as so wild a beast ever can be tamed make nice pets, but not for the young generation, for they are as familiar with sharp teeth as a fox terrier puppy, and a deal more careless.

But for all the fact of their small broods, these little wolves increase at an astonishing rate, and, where there is much poultry raised, undoubtedly do some harm to such careless chicken farmers as do not lock the hen-roost door before the coyote finds it open. Beyond this, however, as one or two counties of the State have found to their cost, the coyote is an invaluable aid to the rancher in keeping down the jackrabbit crop, and in clearing out the ground squirrels, for both of which pests no effectual remedy save the coyote has ever been found.

From the sportsman's viewpoint—provided he knows what coyote hunting really is and how to carry it on—there is no mild out-door pastime of the Southwest which can equal it in the way of rifle practice, or on the other hand, excel it in strenuousness when the hounds are followed on horseback. Because the writer has an inherent love for the rifle he prefers to stalk his coyotes, to lie in wait for them at some waterhole, to "walk them up" in the edges of the lower hills, and to shoot them cleanly rather than to ride them down with a pack of hounds, before which the little wolf has not one chance in a thousand for the life to which he is entitled.

One of the earliest recollections of my shooting days is of my first coyote. By dint of much careful economy I came to be the happy possessor of a .25-20 rifle.

I started out one afternoon in late December through the high hills which slope down from old Saddlerock toward El Toro, looking for nothing in particular but for much in general. Sheep were thick in this part of Southern California then, and coyotes, wild cats and even "lions" were more numerous than I have ever known them in the years which have since passed.

Passing down a small draw to the west of the hill at whose foot two of us were camped, a jackrabbit jumped out of the long grass on the north side of the "hogback" and loped leisurely along some fifty yards ahead. At him the rifle cracked and he doubled up, quite dead and almost as well drawn by the soft lead bullet as he could have been with a knife.

Cutting a willow staff from the scant growth in the bed of the draw, I stuck it straight up in a level place between two of the low hills, skinned the rabbit and hung him up until I should return, intending him for a meal for the dogs, of which we had four in camp. Farther down the coulee I picked up two more rabbits, saw a couple of coyotes at both of which I wasted a cartridge, and then turned back, following the comparatively dry bed of the stream in the shade of the willow growth.

Wearing soleless leather shoes, as much like moccasins as any white man's footwear I have ever seen, I made almost no noise on the gravel of the creek bed, and so came opposite the hanging rabbit without disturbing a pair of coyotes who had preceded me. I say a "pair" of coyotes, though of course I have no reason to know they were a pair; both may have been females—the one which I killed was, and it is not always the custom of the little wolves to remain mated except during the breeding season.

I dropped down behind a clump of willows just as the two finished a careful inspection of the stake, the ground around it and especially my tracks leading away from the flat. One, the larger of the two, followed my steps out from the stake to a point where she could see well down the draw. There, just raised slightly on her forefeet, clear cut against the green hill behind, she made an irresistible mark and the rifle had another word to say.

Caught just beneath and a bit forward from the ear, the little wolf leaped straight up into the air, turned halfway over and fell on her side, stone dead. As soon as I could take my eyes from this one, I whirled to get in a shot at the other; but he or she, as may have been, was disappearing over the ridge as fast as four fleet feet could carry it. The bullet damaged the head of the coyote slightly, otherwise the skin was in good condition; proud of my kill, I carried that coyote, entire, with my three "jacks," to camp. Nowadays I would skin the wolf, but then it was a matter of pride to me to come stalking into camp with all my game slung over my manly shoulder, as I saw hunters do in so many magazine pictures. That coyote skin has long ago gone the way of all skins, worn out by many feet, mayhap moth-eaten a bit, but it served its time well, and its taking always will remain among the proud moments of my life, along with my first trout and my first deer.

One other way of killing the coyote of the Southwest—with greyhounds and horses, is fast dying out owing to the cutting up of the great ranches into small tracts by wire and other fences. Time was, however, when the San Gabriel valley and other open places throughout the southern end of the State echoed to the shrill sounds of the chase every Sunday afternoon and every holiday as well. For the most part in those runs over the level mesas and in open country where the eye had a sweep of many miles unobstructed by timber or hills, greyhounds were used. Not a few so-called "Russian wolfhounds" were brought in, but none of them are noted for any wonderful kills they made. Now and then a brace of greyhounds will grow up in a community with nerve and strength enough to kill a coyote, but I have seen even skilled foxhounds badly cut by the teeth of the little wolves before they managed to kill one of a pair they were running together.

As a rule the greyhounds are better for chasing jackrabbits than coyotes, and where they are still kept by ranchers and sportsmen it is for this purpose almost exclusively. To my mind there is no more utterly useless dog on earth than a greyhound, and though I once participated in a coyote chase after a pack of greyhounds I saw little sport in it.

The Santa Ana Valley Hunt Club, the principal sportsmen's organization at that time, however, had real sport every year, usually in the spring, in the chase of foxes, coyotes and wild cats with their pack of foxhounds. Stronger, braver and more intelligent than greyhounds, the foxhounds which have grown up in the past fifteen or twenty years of hunting over California hills lead the men on horses a most strenuous chase, often extending through the better part of the day ere some wary old coyote yields up his brush. The writer, with four dogs but quite alone as to human companionship, followed a coyote from a point in Brea Canyon opposite the Puente oil-well settlement to the canyon through which the road to Chino passes, a distance in a straight line of eight or ten miles, and fully fifteen in the roundabout course we followed. This chase was in April and was started just after the hounds had treed a wild cat (plateau lynx) which weighed nineteen pounds—a fair sized cat for the early spring.

This coyote was old and wary; he doubled on himself, jumped from a rotten log, ran in a small wet gulch as far as he could and leaped sideways far up the sidehill to mislead the dogs. But to all these tricks the hounds were trained, and the end was Mr. Coyote cornered in the head of a steep-walled canyon from which he could not escape.

Skilled in exactly what was expected of him, old "Colonel," the leader of the four, feinted at the coyote's throat and seized him in the foreshoulder, close up to his foaming jaws, bearing the little wolf back against the wall of rock. On the instant "Don Juan," running mate of the Colonel and half-breed bloodhound, set his teeth into the coyote's ham. There was a short struggle, marked by the useless clinking of the wolf's teeth as his jaws came together in vain attempts to snap the hounds, and all was over. Slung on the back of the pony I rode, the coyote's skin kept that of the little red lynx company.

Given a pack of good, well-trained foxhounds and lively coyotes, running through the rough, rock-strewn hills of the Southwest; follow them with a company of from twenty to thirty horsemen and a sprinkling of lady riders, and there is as good a day's fun—and as hard a day's work—as the average lover of horse and hounds can find. The chase here is entirely different from the "riding to hounds" which has made Kentucky and Tennessee and Virginia famous; the dogs are different and the horses are far from the lean jumpers of the Blue Grass State.

Thoroughbred hounds which have been brought from the fox-hunts of the East to slay the wily coyote have failed miserably. The life was too strenuous for them, the hills too rough, the land too dry for scent to lie well—any one of a thousand excuses were offered by their importers, but the fact remained that the squat, deep-chested hounds of the West ran away from them in the long grilling runs through the dry beds of the hill gorges. In fact, it is not recorded that these importations ever slew any of the wild runners of the California hills without the aid of the leaders of local packs. Hounds here differ from Eastern dogs in being shorter of leg, deeper of chest, finer of scent and of greater ability and willingness to fight anything that walks on four legs. Possibly over the runs of the Eastern hunt clubs our dogs would find as great difficulties in the chase as did the Kentuckians here, but it seems improbable to one who has seen the work of California-bred dogs.

Horses here in the West differ from the hunters of the East, as well as do the dogs, and one must see the ability, endurance and intelligence of the little cow-ponies in their long runs over the hills, through all sorts of rocky and bush-covered country, following the toughest hounds in the world, to appreciate just how perfectly adapted they are to work in the regions where they are used.

There is another wolf in Southern California, which, while not so large as the gray wolf of the East and North, is considerably larger than the coyote, and deserving of mention in these chronicles because it is, next to the mountain lion, one of the hardest animals to stalk in all the curriculum of the hunter. This wolf has a heavier brush than the coyote; it is of thicker fur and sturdier body than most of the little gray wolves of which I have just written. It confines itself to the hills rather more than the open country; in fact, I do not remember ever having seen them in the bare mesa, or running in packs as do coyotes. So far as I know they make dens, like the Eastern wolf, and have but two young at a litter, though I cannot speak with certainty of these things. Around Bakersfield and thence southward through the Tehachapi mountains and on down in the Fernando, San Gabriel and Sierra Madre ranges, this wolf is not uncommon, and is known as the "hill wolf," by most hunters, in distinction to the coyote. Undoubtedly they do a great amount of good in the killing of rabbits and rodents of every sort, while it is unlikely that they do any noticeable harm to game. Quail, about the only game bird they can catch, roost so high here that it is out of the power of a wolf or any other dog-like animal to kill many of them, while I have never heard of these wolves attacking deer.

There is little sport to be had hunting these hill wolves with dogs, as they seek the underbrush and heavily wooded canyons at once, where the best of hounds are soon worn out. To kill one by still hunting—which the writer considers the highest form of the hunter's art—is an achievement of which any rifle shooter may be proud. In all probability, nine-tenths of the hunters of the Southwest have never seen this wolf, though they have passed, doubtless, within ten feet of one or a pair of them every day while in the hills during the deer season. Securely secreted in a heavy clump of underbrush, a tangle of scrub oak, wild rose bushes or manzanita thicket, there is no seeing the gray animals. Even the sharp-nosed dogs rarely find them out, unless by accident they come on them up the wind. The writer has killed these wolves, as he has killed coyotes, by waiting at a waterhole on light summer evenings, or in early spring mornings, but this is by no means a sure way, and the hunter may lie in wait every morning for a month before one chances to come to the particular waterhole at which he has chosen to wait.

Interstate Association Tournaments—

July 8, 9, 10—The Interstate Association's Tenth Pacific Coast Handicap Tournament, San Diego, Cal., under the auspices of the Pastime Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Pacific Coast Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

August 16; 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chicago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy, and the winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

Registered Tournaments — Pacific States and Territories:

July 5—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President, Eureka, Cal.

July 5—Sunrise Gun Club, H. S. Hill, Secretary, Sunrise, Wyo.

July 5—Holbrook Gun Club, J. S. Hulet, Secretary, Holbrook, Ariz.

July 9, 10—Gem City Gun Club, Max Welck, Secretary, Laramie, Wyo.

July 12—Rawlins Rod and Gun Club, H. Breitenstein, Secretary, Rawlins, Wyo.

July 12, 13, 14—Los Angeles Gun Club, Fred H. Teeple, Secretary, Venice, Cal.

July 19, 20, 21, 22—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary, Tacoma, Wash.

July 24—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, W. S. Short, Secretary, Chehalis, Wash.

July 28, 29—Delta County Gun Club, Nick Powell and R. A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

August 10—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

PACIFIC INDIANS TOURNAMENT.

The eighth annual tournament of the Pacific Indians will take place at Tacoma, Wash., July 19, 20, 21 and 22. The program for this shoot and annual gathering states:

The Indians will give the usual thirty sterling silver average prizes—ten to the high places each day, three annual class trophies, daily long-run medal, something for the low gun each day, and several fine special trophies.

To the forty high guns on the entire program of 400 targets there will be paid forty cash average purses, ranging from $50 to about $7.

To compete for the above there will be an entry fee charge of twenty dollars only, covering all events except for individual trophies.

Monday, July 19, is practice day, an informal program of 100 targets, price of targets two cents each.

Tuesday, July 20, eight events of 15 targets each, total for the day 120 targets. To the ten high places on this program the Indians give ten sets of six sterling silver spoons. Ties for place to be shot off at 20 targets until winner is decided.

The Chingren Diamond Badge, emblematic of the target championship of the Pacific Coast, will be shot for on this day at 50 targets, all contestants standing at 18 yards rise. Entrance in this event $5, targets deducted at three cents each, balance of purse to be divided, 50 per cent to the last previous holder, trophy to the winner and remaining 50 per cent of net purse divided class shooting, 40, 30, 20 and 10 per cent., to second, third, fourth and fifth places.

Wednesday, July 21, eight events of 15 targets each, total 120 targets. To the ten high places the Indians give ten sets of six sterling silver spoons, eliminating, however, any contestants who may have won an average prize on the previous day.

A solid silver loving cup, donated by Frank C. Hart, will be offered in competition on this day, to be shot for for final possession, under the following rules: Fifty targets per man. Entrance $1.50, handicap based on previous record in regular events, 16, 19 and 21 yards.

Thursday, July 22, eight events of 15 targets each, total 120 targets. To the ten high places the Indians will give ten sets of six sterling silver spoons, eliminating, however, any contestants who have won an average prize on either of the two preceding days.

The time-honored custom of offering three class honor prizes has been adhered to, and immediately on conclusion of the eight regular events on this day, all contestants who have shot in all regular events for the three days will shoot at 40 targets each, thus rounding out the total of 400 targets for the tournament average for cash prizes.

In this event shooters will be placed in three divisions: Delate Class, those who have averaged 93 per cent or better on 360 targets in regular program; Skookum Class, those whose average was under 93 and above 88 per cent; Kloshe Class, those who averaged under 88.

A fine gold watch, donated by Chief H. R. Everding, will be offered in competition on this day, to be shot for for final possession, under the following rules: Fifty targets per man, entrance $1.50, handicap based on previous record in regular events, 16, 19 and 21 yards.

There will also be given a suitable prize each day for the longest straight run, as well as two daily prizes for the two low guns on regular program of 120 targets.

To avoid any dissatisfaction in handicapping, the three classifications will be taken to represent distances; that is, those who averaged 93 in previous regular events will stand at 21 yards, those under 93 to 88, at 19 yards, and all under 88 at 16 yards.

All ties for prizes will be shot off immediately following the events that developed them, at 20 targets per man, until winner is decided; targets two cents each. No shooter can win more than one average prize or money.

For the accommodation of any who may desire a greater hazard, the Indians offer an optional sweepstake of $1.50 for each of the twenty-four 15-target events, four moneys, class shooting; fifteen entries required to fill.

Any persons not wishing to compete for the $600 in average purses may enter in competition for all trophies on regular program by paying $4 per day for targets, or $12 for the entire program.

Competition in the Pacific Indians' annual tournament is open to all members and to all comers as invited guests. This tournament is given in behalf of true sport and good-fellowship, and, while all lovers of the game are most cordially invited to attend and participate, the management reserves the right to reject any undesirable entry at any time during the meet.

The annual meeting and pow-wow of the tribe will be called to order by the Tyee Sachem at 8 p. m., on July 21, at the Tacoma Hotel, for the transaction of regular and special business; and the annual potlatch and initiation meeting will follow at the same place one sun later.

A New Shotgun.—The model of a shotgun with new and simple fore-end, safety and lock devices, besides other good features, was shown us this week. The inventor is seeking capital backing.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

THE GRAND AMERICAN HANDICAP

Never in the history of trapshooting in has there been as much enthusiasm shown any trapshooting tournament ever been held have the co-operation and support of as many nent and influential business men, including city, country and gun clubs and other organi as the coming Grand American Handicap. Th eral Promotion Committee is composed of re tatives from nearly every trapshooting organ in the vicinity of Chicago. The committee on has made arrangements to comfortably take all who attend the tournament, regardless large the number may be. The hotels of C deserve more than a passing mention becaus offer so much that is needed and hardly recc in the general thought of what is required some great trapshooting tournament is pl There is in the city of Chicago every possibl ety of hotel, with the best equipment, in de locations, and adapted to every possible visitor entrant can rest assured that there will be hotel accommodations at reasonable rates.

At the Traps

Ten Man Team Skirmish—A large gatheri "gun bug" enthusiasts attended the blue smashing argument at Martinez Sunday, Jun between teams of shooters representing the of the Sacramento Big Time Gun Club and of t hambra Gun Club of the "Wildflower City." visiting team was defeated by a margin of 130 Andy Flickinger of Vallejo, with 94 out of 100 high gun on the Martinez team and top indiv score of the match. Barney Worthen of this cit the next man up, with 91 kills. E. L. Ilgner Frank Newbert, with scores of 90 and 86 respect led the invaders. Straight scores of 25 were sh A. G. Wilkes, Worthen and Dr. Steiman. The ing sportsmen were entertained with a barbecu ner and things after the shoot, which was he Fred Burnham's Spring Hill Farm. A return m will be held in the Capitol City July 27. The re of the team match:

Alhambra Gun Club Team—

Fred K. Burnham	18	23	22	22
H. Havens	22	21	22	19
N. Howard	23	24	22	21
A. G. Wilkes	18	22	22	25
T. Wilkes	20	22	19	20
A. G. Flickinger	24	23	24	23
E. Hoelle	24	21	20	23
B. H. Worthen	22	25	22	22
J. W. Dorsey	16	21	18	[illegible]
Dr. Merrithew	22	24	24	15
W. Veale	18	19	21	21
Total				

Big Time Gun Club Team—

F. M. Newbert	20	23	20	21
F. J. Ruhstaller	19	19	17	17
A. D. Patterson	22	20	19	19
Dr. Steiman	21	25	21	12
M. Priest	18	22	18	18
E. L. Ilgner	22	24	23	21
H. P. Thorpe	14	15	16	12
L. Schenk	18	17	12	13
D. Ruhstaller	21	19	24	19
Lee Gorman	15	21	16	16
J. J. Anderson	14	12	13	14
Total				

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Garden City Traps.—July 4 is set for the shoo off of the San Jose Blue Rock Club handicap. tournament will commence at 9 o'clock in the m ing. The contestants are variously handicapped, O. N. Ford at scratch, and running up as high as Awards will be made to the high shooters. prizes are gold, silver and cut-glass ware. There also be a double event at 12 pair.

O. N. Ford, C. H. Nash, G. H. Anderson and Schilling will shoot for the honor of represen the San Jose club at the Coast Handicap.

Recent scores at the club are—100 birds: O. Ford 95, E. W. Jack 93, C. R. Arques 89, Ada Schil 87, A. P. Jones 85. A Hercules handicap score made by E. W. Jack, who broke 70 out of 75. Schilling and Louis Baumgartner have yet to t in their scores.

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Nemours (Ladies') Trapshooting Club.—' women competed in the spoon and 5-bird events the Nemours Trapshooting Club June 24 at the Pont traps. The weather was ideal and brough number of visitors and beginners out to watch shooting and be measured with the "try guns." W handicaps were counted, Miss Smith and Mrs. Spri er tied for the sterling silver trapshooting spc

In the 5-bird events Miss C. D. Gentieu won first; Miss Smith the second and Mrs. Springer third.

The final shoot for the July trophies will be handicap event. Those who qualified for the fi shoot are: Mrs. E. L. Riley, Dr. Florence Sewa Miss H. D. Hammond, Miss Amy Schofield, M Harry White, Miss Teresa Smith, Mrs. Char Springer and Miss C. D. Gentieu.

Scores, June 24 (25 targets), follow: Mrs. Ha White, broke 9, handicap 5—14; Mrs. E. L. Ril 14-1—15; Miss Teresa Smith, 8-12—20; Mrs. Ch Springer, 15-5—20; Dr. Florence Seward, 6-6—; Miss H. D. Hammond, 18-0—18; Miss Mary Robins 2-13—15; Miss Amy Schofield, 9-8—17; Mrs. Ha Stidham, 9-10—19; Miss C. D. Gentieu, 11-5—16.

Citrus Belt Traps.—Los Angeles Gun Club members at the Venice traps June 13 made the following scores:

Event No. 1—Bruner and Kimble trophy, six shoots, three in June and three in July, best two scores to count for eight silver loving cups, class shooting, with added target handicap, four classes, A, B, C and D, 100 targets each man: R. H. Bungay 94, G. Holohan 94, T. W. Neel 92, S. R. Smith 91, E. Mitchell 88, W. Pugh 85, S. A. Bruner 85, R. H. Smith 93, C. D. Hagerman 83, L. M. Packard 82, C. F. Nichols 80, L. R. Mellus 79, H. Hoyt 76, A. W. Bruner 64, W. H. Wilshire 61, S. C. Miller 60, W. L. Cooper 59.

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Trophy Winners, Attention.—Secretary E. Reed Shaner of the Interstate Association announces in a communication this week that winners of The Interstate Association Trophies at "registered tournaments" will receive their trophies in from two to three weeks after the trophy blanks are received at Pittsburgh.

Some blanks are not filled out by the respective winners at a tournament and this causes further delay in making shipments. The trophies for each tournament are ordered at the same time and it takes about two weeks to have them properly engraved.

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Notable Arrivals.—Elmer E. Shaner, tournament manager of the Interstate Association, arrived in this city Thursday evening last week. Mr. Shaner is popular with local and Coast trap shooters. After a brief stay in this city he went south to San Diego, where the tenth Pacific Coast trap-shooting tournament will be held July 8, 9 and 10.

A. Muller, formerly Coast representative of the Winchester Repeating Arms Company, a sportsman also well esteemed by the trap-shooting fraternity, reappeared in this city last week after an absence of several years.

Pete J. Holohan, another blue-rock expert, high in the good graces of the mud-saucer demolishers, is here too on a brief visit.

Last but not least, T. E. Doremus, concluding that the St. Louis Western Handicap and Salt Lake City visits were close enough to the Coast to give San Francisco a look-in, landed here Thursday. The gentleman from Wilmington is not unknown to many of the Coast sportsmen with whom he is popular.

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"Pull!"—The California-Nevada Interstate Association shoot is definitely set for August 5, 7, under the auspices of the Golden Gate Gun Club. Such is the information we received just before going to press.

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The California Wing Shooting Club's regular monthly shoot at live birds will be held at the Sobrante grounds tomorrow.

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The Bay View Gun Club regular blue rock monthly shoot is the card at the south Alameda grounds tomorrow.

REMINGTON ARMS PLANTS NOT FOR SALE.

Recently there have been very persistent rumors to the effect that Germany was seeking to purchase American ammunition making plants, not so much for its own armies as with a view of putting an end to the tremendous shipments which are going forward to the Allies. The Remington Arms-Union Metallic Cartridge Company and the Bethlehem Steel Company have both been specifically named as objective points of the German efforts.

But it now appears that there is not the slightest chance of Germany securing a dollar's worth of interest in either of these two great concerns, states the New York Commercial and Financial World.

Mr. Samuel F. Pryor, Vice-President and General Manager of the Remington Arms-Union Metallic Cartridge Company, was interviewed in regard to the persistent rumors that have lately been in circulation, to the effect that offers made by a foreign government for the purchase of the properties of that Company were under consideration, and that the additions to the Ilion and Bridgeport plants, which are under construction, are intended to be purely temporary and made only for the performance of special contracts entered into and are not intended for the permanent uses of the company.

Mr. Pryor was very emphatic in asserting that there was not the slightest foundation for these rumors; and he pointed out that one story necessarily destroyed the other, because, if a sale of the plants and properties was made, the additions would not be required for the purpose of enabling the company to perform its contracts for the supply of arms and ammunition.

Mr. Pryor stated that no sum which might be offered for the properties would afford the slightest temptation to the owner to dispose of existing contracts. Mr. Pryor was equally emphatic in asserting that the additions to the plants did not constitute a merely temporary expedient, but were largely made in accordance with the general policy of expansion adopted by the company before the outbreak of the European war, and that this policy would not be interfered with even if the war were to come to an end tomorrow. The additions to the plants, now under construction, are of the most modern type and of the most substantial, durable and permanent character.

THE DEER SEASON IS OPEN.

A foreward to the sportsmen who have a fancy for getting away the first days of the annual scramble for venison on the hoof. Distance this season does not cut any material figure in the projected trips to the deer-inhabited ranges, roads are good now and automobiles make quick trips from the city or from railroad stations to the scene of repeating rifle operations. When does the season open—in this, that or the other county, is the vexed question with many hunters. Under the statute now in force—until August 7, when the laws passed by the last legislature will be in force and effect the open season on bucks begins July 1 in districts 2, 4 and 5, deer hunting territory familiar to local hunters. In districts 1, 3 and 6 the season opens August 15.

County Boards of Supervisors have, however, set back the opening date to August 1 in Mendocino, Sonoma, Marin and Napa counties. Yolo county is also down for August 1, but the ordinance will not go into effect until July 8, leaving that county open for one week. Santa Clara and Alameda counties have been on the August 1 list for two seasons past.

The power of county Boards of Supervisors to shorten game seasons has been seriously questioned by many sportsmen. In fact, a decision by a Los Angeles court goes to upset the stability of county laws in this respect.

The Fish and Game Commission is here quoted to the effect that the Commission deputies will not make arrests and prosecutions for violation of county game ordinances. The claim is made that the State officials are only clothed with power to enforce State fish and game laws and have no authority to direct procedure in the matter of county laws. Many of the Commission deputies are also deputy sheriffs or constables. Such officers are, of course, empowered and expected to do police work in their respective bailiwicks in the enforcement of both State and county laws.

The Fish and Game Commission officials in this city gave out this week that Hale McCowen, Jr., district attorney of Mendocino county, stated that he would not prosecute any deer hunters arrested for hunting deer in Mendocino county prior to August 1.

The owners of the Jersey Ranch, in San Mateo county, have posted their property against deer hunters. Several arrests were made last season for illegal deer hunting in that section. Other reckless hunters are accused of killing livestock. Spike bucks will be on the prohibited list after August 1.

San Mateo, Contra Costa, Santa Cruz, San Benito, Monterey, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Kern, Tulare, Fresno, Madera, Merced, Stanislaus, Solano, Colusa, Glenn, Lake, Humboldt and Del Norte counties opened July 1 for deer hunting.

The situation in Santa Clara county is as follows:

"Hunters are advised to accept the deer seasons fixed by the Boards of Supervisors of the various counties, regardless of conflict with the State law, in a communication to the Los Gatos Fish and Game Association, issued recently. U. S. Webb, Attorney-General, is the author of the letter.

The Los Gatos club was advised by A. M. Free, district attorney of that county, that the law will be enforced as passed by the Board of Supervisors, to the letter.

The State law fixes the opening and closing dates of the deer season as July 1 and September 1, respectively. An ordinance of the Supervisors changes these dates to August 1 and September 15, respectively.

Webb states that all sportsmen are advised to adhere to local rulings, pending the final settlement of the question by the courts, which now have cases involving the points under consideration."

And that is about all the Attorney-General can do in the matter, just give out advisory information. County laws are no doubt passed for the best interests of the sportsmen and the protection of game, were made in good faith and to overcome defects in the present laws. But at that, it is a mooted question if such ordinances will stand the test of the courts.

When the new fish and game laws go into effect in this State, it would be decidedly for the best and to avoid future confusion, if each and every county fish and game law were revoked. Then uniformity would ensue and the sportsmen would know just where they were.

RED "W" MERITS RECOGNIZED.

The Winchester Repeating Arms Company was awarded the Grand Prize medal by the Panama-Pacific International Exhibition 1915. The Winchester exhibit in the Department of Manufactures and Varied Industries has been very popular with sportsmen and other visitors at the fair.

That merit tells is well illustrated by the following list of awards given the Winchester products at prior exhibitions: Certificate of Award, International Exhibition, Philadelphia 1896. Certificate of Award, First Degree of Merit, International Exhibition, Sydney, Australia, 1879. Gold medal, First Order of Merit, International Exhibition, Melbourne, Australia, 1880, 1881. Une Diplome de Grand Prix, Exposition Universale de Paris, France, 1889. Grand Prize, Cotton States and International Exhibition, Atlanta, Ga., 1895. Three Gold Medals, Pan-American Exhibition, Buffalo, N. Y., 1901. Gold Medal, Trans-Mississippi and International Exhibition, St. Louis, 1903.

FISH LINES.

Anglers, who have fished the Truckee river, near Boca, and at other favorite points the past week, all report pleasing sport with artificial insect lures. One development in recent fly-fishing on the Truckee, has been the generally good results accomplished with a pattern known as the Parmachene belle, a great favorite with Eastern anglers. This fly is somewhat like the Katie May, a good fly now on the Truckee.

C. J. Barnewell puts Independence lake in the anglers' itinerary with the report of "good fly-fishing now, no trouble to catch a limit in an hour, trout averaging three-fourths of a pound. The McGinty, blue upright and gray hackle are the killing patterns. The Little Truckee is good for daily limits, Eastern Brook, Loch Leven and Rainbow varieties.

Donner lake offers a tempting variety of sport with Loch Leven, Mackinaw and cutthroat trout. The creeks emptying into the lake are full of Eastern brook and rainbows, rather small it is true, but limits with light tackle are easy to land. Fishing in the lake, Charles Urfer advocates still fishing from a boat at the edge of the "drop," where the lake deepens abruptly. Using light tackle and a live minnow baited hook, casting out and letting the hook sink deep, a strike is soon felt.

Upper Sacramento river trout fishing resorts have been improving daily for the past week. Feather river points, Big Bar, Camp Rodgers, Tobin and Quincy are spoken well of by returning anglers last week.

Dobbyns creek, near Fort Seward, on the Northwestern Pacific road, is in line for limit catches of fair-sized trout, to be taken with fly patterns. The trout in this creek are said to run in larger sizes later in the season.

The Big Stoney, near Fouts Springs, was a trifle too high a week ago when visited by Howard Nauman and George Butler; fair fishing was enjoyed, however. Lake Macomber, and Butte creek, in the Mount Lassen country, offered splendid trout fishing for two weeks to several local anglers. Trout averaging 18 inches in length were plentiful.

Dr. Henry Abrams and Dr. M. E. Simon picked up nice baskets of trout fly-fishing in Lake Lagunitas last Wednesday. An odd experience was that of S. Stevens recently, who fished Paper Mill creek, from Garcia down to North Bend. One of those unexpected and exasperating incidents that will happen on a stream left him without flies or bait, just a bare hook or two. He tried the experiment of tying a small piece of red flannel to the hooks and succeeded in landing eight nice sized fish.

The San Mateo coast creeks were plentifully stocked last Sunday; over 300,000 trout fry were liberated under the direction of Charley Breidenstein and Fish and Game Commission deputies. San Gregorio creek and lagoon was good for limits of fair-sized trout, a week ago, when Joe Springer, Harry Thomson and Arthur Perry whipped the creek.

Coyote creek, in Santa Clara valley, has been in good fishing repute recently. Dr. J. Clark, of Gilroy, picked up a limit basket of trout running from 9 to 18 inches in size.

A large mountain lion was the unexpected quarry of Laurrie Barber while fishing in the Arroya Honda creek region recently. While busily engrossed in angling Barber suddenly noticed the big cat lying at full length on a log across the creek immediately in front of him. A hasty shot with a revolver tumbled the animal into the creek bed where it contiued to thrash about in a dangerous fashion for a short time.

The animal was a rare specimen of its species which has become nearly extinct in that region. It was a male lion measuring more than eight feet from tip to tip and weighing about as much as an ordinary man.

Santa Cruz streams have been restocked with over 500,000 trout fry from the Brookdale hatchery. Santa Clara county streams will be planted with 200,000 troutlets, Monterey county creeks will also be replenished with the same number of young trout.

There is a heavy run of quinnat salmon on the Santa Cruz side of Monterey bay. Bob Murdoch, C. E. Piper, Dr. Mark Benson and Judge E. C. Johnson landed 27 fish in three hours Sunday. Percy Henderson and George Dailey, of New York, made a catch of 18 salmon.

Black bass fishing still holds good at Middle river, near the Santa Fe railroad bridge. Louis Gotthelf's largest bass Sunday was a 6½-pounder.

Good catches of striped bass were made last Sunday near Wingo; about 30 fish were taken. Al Lindsey caught five fish in Appleby bay—a 20, 10 and three 8-pound fish. A thirty-pound bass was reported taken near the Wingo drawbridge.

The strange malady which has been killing wild ducks by thousands in the marshes around the Great Salt Lake each year, seems to be caused by an alkaline poison, according to a preliminary report of the U. S. Department of Agriculture's investigators. Fresh water is believed to be the only remedy yet discovered.

As the flats around Great Salt Lake dry after high water, salts and alkalis crystallize on the surface of the ground. When light rains form pools on the flats, or when a steady wind blows the water across the dry barrens, the soluble salts are taken up by the water. Ducks and other waterfowl are eager to feed on the newly flooded lands, and, imbibing these salts and alkalis, are poisoned and die.

THE GEERS STABLE.

Last Friday I received a call from Robert Neill, who for the past ten years has been Mr. Geers' secretary. Bob is one of the best known present-day Grand Circuit regulars, and since he was fresh from Memphis, and had all of the dope on Mr. Geers' stable, I searched him for information. "We have had the best of training weather," said Bob, "and as far as I can recollect, we have missed only one workout this spring. I am not going to say that we have a star stable, but I can truthfully say that the horses, with a few exceptions, are in grand condition. Of course, there are some cripples, but that is what is always to be expected in every stable. Mr. Geers came out of his operation for gall stones in good shape, and aside from being a trifle weak, due to his long confinement in the hospital, he is in better physical condition than for years past. Of course, he had to go to work as soon as the doctors would let him out. He is that way, you know, and nothing short of being bed-ridden will keep him out of the seulky. Mrs. Geers has never entirely recovered her health, and when Mr. Geers left she was planning to spend some weeks at a health resort, accompanied by her daughters, Mary and Sarah."

The Geers stable, sixteen strong, arrived safely at North Randall, Mr. Geers stopping over in Lexington to see Anvil 2:02¾ and Etawah (4) 2:03¼. John Benyon, so long second trainer, is still on the job, but farrier Fred Kope has abandoned the stable and will follow the Great Western Circuit. It would seem that in Presolite 2:11¼ and Hal Plex E. p. 2:09½ (neither having race records), and Hal Connor 2:14¼, Mr. Geers had a trio of very capable pacers. The last-named was purchased by F. G. Jones from A. H. Frank, of Memphis, and is a son of the Hal trotter Argot Hal 2:07¾, his dam being by Tennessee Wilkes 2735. Several weeks ago the stallion was a trifle off, but recently worked in 2:10½. Mr. Jones also owns the four-year-old pacer Bud Elliott 2:08, who was a very good three-year-old in 1914, and is not burdened with a fast race record, 2:14¼. Hal Plex E. is owned by Harry McCall of Chicago, and was sent to Mr. Geers last fall. Mr. McCall trained him over the West Chicago track, but after getting him up to 2:17 in mid-season, the horse threw a curb and had very little done with him. Yet he took a record at Memphis, late in the fall, of 2:09½. He must be a fast natural pacer to do that, with the limited work he has had. Murray Howe vouches for him, and that is a strong argument for the steed. Hal worked in 2:09½ and repeated in 2:07¾ before leaving for the north. Presolite, they say, is very speedy, and a game one. She has been in 2:07½, and Bud Elliott in 2:09.

"How about Napoleon Direct 2:02½?" I questioned Bob. "He will go in 2:00, and, unless I am very much mistaken, he will trim some of those top-notch free-for-allers several times this season," he replied. "He doesn't wear elbow boots now, has more stride, and you know that a year's seasoning, such as he had, is worth a lot."

To all of which I heartily agree. If Napoleon Direct does not get in the 2:00 class this season it will be because some misfortune occurs to prevent, and I think that I know what 2:00 means. He has worked in 2:06¼.

When Sparkle Watts (2) 2:10½ died, Messrs. Jones and Geers suffered a real loss, for the daughter of General Watts 2:06¾ was as game a two-year-old as ever wore harness; also she had a fine chance to repeat her two-year-old futurity triumphs. Well, after she died the papers said that Mr. Geers was left without a three-year-old futurity aspirant, but this was far from the truth. He has in Deroche (2) 2:22¼, a chestnut colt by John A. McKerron 2:04½, dam by Teddy Grattan, one that the others are likely to find a very hard nut to crack. This is the colt that Tom Murphy (not Tommy, of Grand Circuit fame), worked last fall at Hamline, Minn., in startling fashion. Deroche was not taken to the track until May, yet he worked a half in 1:03½ and a quarter in better than 30 seconds. That is some stepping for a two-year-old trotter that had never seen a race track until late in May. Recently Mr. Geers worked Deroche in 2:11¾, last quarter in :31¼. So you see the Grand Old Man is not going to be afoot when the futurities are called, not by a long shot. Paul C. Wilson, proprietor of Valley View Farm, Menomonie, Wis., bred and owns the colt, and the only thing that I can see in the way of Deroche being a crack, is the fact that Mr. Wilson is too good a fellow to have that sort of luck—I don't mean it just that way, but you know what I intend to say.

Russian Dame 2:24¼, owned by Charles S. Harris, of Galesburg, Ill.; The Guide and St. Frisco (3) 2:26¾, will represent the stable in the aged trotting stakes. Russian Dame, Bob tells me, is very fast and recently worked in 2:09½ and back in 2:08¾. She has had only a little racing experience, and I am not advised as to how fast she worked last fall. Her sire is George Muscovite 2:08¼, and her dam by Expedition 2:15¾. The Guide has been down the G. C. twice, and was a 2:07 trotter last fall. He is a fast horse, but had the fault of getting away slowly. With this remedied he will be a tough horse to beat, for he can go heats and never runs down. St. Frisco trotted better than 2:10 last season, as a three-year-old, and is the improving kind. He will, with maturity, drill into a first-class trotter, I believe. He worked in 2:10.

J. Malcolm Forbes (4) 2:08 is entered extensively, but there are doubts of his standing up on a hind leg which has bothered him for several years. Mr. Geers worked him around 2:10 last fall, and pronounced him one of the best gaited and fastest trotters that he had ever trained. He worked in 2:16¼, and was taken along with the hope that he would come out all right. Hy Jeanson, by High Admiral 2:07³⁄₄, was shipped with the stable in order that he could be worked and seasoned. He stepped in 2:15¼ and has the makings of a good trotter.

Guy Nella 2:07¼ was put to pacing this spring, but didn't take kindly to the conversion, and is now trotting around 2:14. She was a pleasant surprise in 1914, being a far better mare than she was credited with before going to the races. Dorsh Medium 2:06¼, owned by Lu Green, of Indiola, Ill., was a trifle ouchy early, but has worked out of it, and Mr. Geers entertains hopes of getting her in form. She was always a great favorite of his, but she has been a hard-luck trotter. Star K. (3) 2:15¼, the first foal of Burning Star 2:14¼, own brother of The Harvester 2:01, worked in 2:15 and will be raced in the class events. Paul C. Wilson owns him, also his sire.

Zomidotte, a four-year-old filly by Zombro 2:11, that was charged with a mile last season in 2:11¼, is the last member of the stable to account for. She has not been worked fast up to date. Barney Gibbs 2:11¼ and Judge Jones (2) 2:12¾, owned by Mr. Jones, were left at Memphis in charge of Arthur Morehead. They will be prepared for racing late in the fall.

Gen. C. C. Watts will, it is reported, send the three-year-old colt Allan Watts (2) 2:15¾ to Mr. Geers to be raced. Etawah will be shipped from Lexington to North Randall this week, and then the entire stable will be intact.—Marque, in the Horse Review.

THE FAIR PROBLEM.

It is getting close to the time when the responsibilities of county fair directors begin to manifest themselves. The average citizen who sees the fair has but a hazy idea of the work and study required to plan and complete a successful fair. In many instances the beneficial features of the fair are not taken advantage of and anything to draw a crowd to the town is adopted with a hurrah.

The county fair is a many-sided institution. It is a public tribute of appreciation of the leading industry. It is primarily educational in character and this feature is too often overlooked. The state and nation expends millions of dollars in pamphlets and lectures disseminating agricultural education. There is no place more appropriate to drive home facts than where concrete examples, illustrating the point are in full view, hence the fair presents opportunity. The most learned in dairying might try for hours to convey truths he has at his fingers' end, and if he has before his students, cows to compare and show his points, he can attain his object in a fraction of the time and in a more lasting manner. More and more the fair awards are coming to be placed in accordance with market demands and there is no place where you can explain these things so that the points are grasped to better advantage than at the fair. We believe the judge who places the awards should be required to explain to exhibitors why he discarded certain exhibits and why he placed ribbons on others.

In many of our smaller fairs there is a tendency to cover too much ground. We take the premium list of some other county and follow it because we don't know enough about the fair business to branch out on our own account. Premiums are offered for every plant that can be grown in the county, the idea being to bring out as many varieties of different kinds of stuff as possible. We remember in one instance where our county fair was anxious to out-do the adjoining county. With $3,000 in sight we hung up $10,000 and "put it all over" the rival fair. The way we paid the bills was an easy matter when you analyzed our premium list. On every breed of animals and every product that would in all probability never be entered, we placed our heavy premiums, all of which made a fine showing in the sum total and didn't cost a cent.

More consideration should be given to arrangement of premium lists. It is well enough to hang up a good award for a general display class with the view of learning how many kinds of varieties of products may be grown in the county. This has an educational feature, because it might develop a new commercial possibility. But it is not the best plan to spread the meager funds out in little dribblets covering innumerable varieties of products exhibited by individuals and leave but a pittance for the products that are of commercial value to the county and which carry the name of the county beyond its borders.

We know of one county that hung up first, second and third awards for twenty-five varieties of potatoes, with the idea that it would induce the growing of a lot of different kinds of potatoes and thus establish the county as a potato center. Another county fair management confined their awards to two kinds of potatoes and their first and second and third premiums sounded like the winners of heats at the race track. This policy resulted in bringing out a magnificent exhibit of potatoes and which when sent down to the state fair, established that county as a potato center for a long distance in every direction. And that is what counts. No community ever makes a reputation on the number of products possible to produce therein. It is a few varieties of high quality. It is well enough to offer prizes for the biggest pumpkins or the largest of any kind of product, just as you pay to see the freak in the side show, but the real award should be hung up for the product that is of a demonstrated commercial value in the county.—Pacific Rural Spirit.

LEXINGTON, KY., ENTRIES.

The Transylvania, $5,000—For trotters eligible to 2:08 class (3 in 5). (Starters to be named Sept. 15.) Nominators: Thos. W. Murphy, Pastime Stable, V. L. Shuler, Dick McMahon, E. A. Colburn, I. L. Borden, Beau Ideal Stock Farm, Geo. W. Slaughter, E. F. Geers, Hillanddale Farm, E. J. Tranter, J. W. Davis, W. H. Emerson, J. Crouch & Sons, I. Ross Thompson and Samuel Harris—(16).

The Castleton Cup, $3,000—Free-for-all trot (2 in 3). (Entries to close finally September 15.) May mack 2:04½, Joan 2:04¼, Margaret Druien 2:05½, Newzell 2:05¼, Etawah 2:03¼, Anvil 2:03¾, Sir Harvester 2:24½, J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, Peter Volo 2:03½, Peter Scott 2:07½, Star Winter 2:05, Lee Axworthy 2:08, Rhythmell 2:04¼, Peter McCormick 2:08¼, Ross B. 2:04¼, Brighton B. 2:05¼—(16).

The Walnut Hall Cup, $3,000—For trotters eligible to 2:12 class (3 in 5): Belzona, Mawitza, Eaglin D., Axtien, June Red, Loe Blossom, Montferris, Linda Wrona, Peter Johnston, Worthy Prince, Pass All, Billy Mead, Russian Dame, The Guide, St. Frisco, Bronson, Little Lee, Princess Welcome, Peter Scott, Sadie S., Great Isle, Mirthful, Miss Rilda, Roy Miller, Adbell M., McCloskey, Nathan Axworthy, Junior Watts, Seneca Boy, Dick Watts, Beau Ashton, Isaac R. T., Lettie Hall, Lou Jennings, Todd Temple, John R. Dillon—(37).

The Ashland, $2,000—For trotters eligible to 2:19 class (3 in 5): Georgia's Prodigal, Miss Silver Todd, Ames Albingen, Loe Blossom, Silquis, Indirect, Grand Chimes, Bora, Bida, Linda Wrona, Al Mack, Poinsetta, Binola, Lou Guy, Lusitania, Celia Dillon, Rala Hall, Willow Mack, Allerta, The Eno, Russian Dame, The Guide, St. Frisco, Clifton, Lucy Reynolds, Bonnie Setzer, Peter Scott, Mary Guy, Miss Rilda, Laramie Lad, Slip Past, Peter Vaughn, Remission, Tropic Dawn, Todd McGregor, Brooklyn Hal, Director Russell, Red Silk, Princess Margaret, Emma Dillon, Miss Carroll, Tommy Todd, Star Tramp, Harry Hamilton, Zue Dillon—(45).

The Kentucky, $2,000.—For three-year-old trotters (2 in 3): Bilara, Brenta, Lady Anne, Georgie Axworthy, Captain Volo, Tregantle's Pride, Golden Axworthy, Bondella, Petress Burton, Sunshine Girl, Golden Frisco, Worthy McKinney, Onward Forbes, Luke A., Lady McKee, Silquis, Golden Spier, Jessie Watts, Toddling, Humfast, Allie Watts, Hattie Collins, Lillian the Great, General French, Kerrigan, Peter Potemkin, Native Spirit, Northspur, Mary Putney, King Bennett, Bronze Silk, Harvest Hope, Colorado B., Czarada, The Pierette, The Exposer, Isworthy McKinney, Anne Cecil, Colorado Range, Sherley DeForest, Binlon, Deroche, Miss Latell, Hollyrood King, Harlem Express, Barbara King, Harvette, Peter Belmont, U. Forbes, Red Bingel, Don Marque, Peter Chenault, Guerne, Henry Todd, Baroness Setzer, Prince Todd, Samoor, Clenathan, Rusticoat, Baceli, Silkobel, George N. Patterson, Binland, Margaret Castile, Bertha Forbes, Straight Sail, Guy Rea, Lord Stout, Lowell Axworthy, Allen Watts, Rose Watts, Robert M., Marchfast, Silver Axworthy, Peter Warren, Jauntfast, Eudora Spier, Prinelda and The Royal Knight—(79).

The Lexington, $2,000—For two-year-old trotters (2 in 3): Bassali, Bertron, Brillion, Barna, Signola Harrods Creek, David Rankin, Don Aristocrat, Walnut Tree, Maple Tree, Anvilite, Bingen Silk, Emily Axworthy, Adele Block, br. c. by J. Malcolm Forbes—Mary Ray, The Inauguration, Rowena Worthy, Great Minnie, Ashland Worthy, Hermione B., Tenbaron, Balmaacan, Good Gracious, Helena Bing, William Bing, Directum Bingen, Native Judge, Peter Axtell, Harvest Note, Leading Spirit, Ollie Watts, Marjorie, Willow Tree, Oak Tree, Peter Allen, Michaelowa, Pavlowa, Peter Look, Lady of the Clan, Ingria, Meja, Atlantika, Helen Alicia, Mighty Robert, Setzer Mac, Bon Set, Mike Axworthy, King Neb, Sis Bingen, Volga, The Scorpion, Peter Dixie, Peter Bing, Binworth, Lightsome Watts, Oscar Watts, Midnight Lad, Bow Peter, Louisiana Todd, Roi Bingen, Revelry, Betty Barry, bl c by Cochata—Miss Pratt, br f by Caduceus the Great—Nelly Tregantle, and bl. f. by Caduceus the Great—Nina Moko—(64).

The Cumberland, $2,000—For pacers eligible to 2:05 class (3 in 5): O. U. C., Single G., The Assessor, Jay Stone, Little Prince, Colombia Fire, Camelia, Baron A., Del Rey, Queen Abbess, Our Colonel, Fay Richmond, Doctor Burns, Major Ong, Hal S., Walnut Grove, Lelia Patchen, Beth Clark, Twinkling Dan—(19).

The Blue Grass, $2,000.—For pacers eligible to 2:10 class (3 in 5): O. U. C., Homer Baughman, Lillian T., Hal Boy, Camelia, Aconite, Periolat, The Importer, Russell Boy, Hal Plex, Budd Elliott, Hal Connor, Presolite, Queen Abbess, Major Ong, Hal S., Peter Farren, Zanzibar, Pointer Patch, Miss Miriam, Walnut Grove, The Beaver, Lustrous McKinney, Patrick M., Grace Ongale, Billy Law, Colonel Echo, Thistle Patch, Bingen Pointer, Dwight Logan, Judge Ormonde, Altawood, Fred Mac, Charley Tranby—(34).

The Kentucky Futurity, $14,000.—For three-year-old trotters (2 in 3): Bilara, Brenta, Lady Anne, Toddling, Tregantle's Pride, Lillian the Great, Golden Axworthy, Captain Volo, Barsac, Allie Watts, General French, Bondella, Petress Burton, Kerrigan, Peter Potemkin, Native Spirit, Mary Putney, Northspur, Denali, King Bennett, The Colorado Belle, John Lackey, The Exposer, Isworthy McKinney, Colorado Range, Worthetta McKinney, Sherley DeForest, Onward Forbes, The Royal Knight, Hollyrood King, Radiant, Harlem Express, Barbara King, Harvette, Janos Roxton, U. Forbes, Don Marque, Peter Chenault, Henry Todd, Baroness Setzer, Eudora Spier, Jessie Watts, Silquis, Britton Forbes, Golden Spier, Lorusia, Clenathan, Luke A., Lady McKee, Rusticoat, Bacelli, Silkobel, Devil Forbes, Margaret Castile, Binland, Bertha Forbes, Guy Rea, Lowell Axworthy, Allen Watts, Rose Watts, Guy Todd, Polly Overton, Samoor, Marchfast, Deroche, Silver Axworthy, Peter Warren and Prinelda—(70).

The Futurity, $5,000—For two-year-old trotters (2 in 3): Bassali, Brillion, Bertron, Barna, Signola Marjorie, Good Gracious (Likoe), Hermione B., br. f by Caduceus the Great—Nelly Tregantle, bl. f. by Caduceus the Great—Nina Moko, Native Judge, Harrods Creek, Suldine, Leading Spirit, Peter Axtell, Harvest Note, Ollie Watts, Willow Tree, Ettie Dillon, David Rankin, Lady of the Clan, Ingria, Moja, Atlantika, Bina S., Don Aristocrat, Mighty Robert, Setzer Mac, Bon Set, Roi Bingen, Tenbaron, Balmaacan, Walnut Tree, Maple Tree, Helen E., Bingen Silk, Adele Block, br. c. by J. Malcolm Forbes—Mary Ray, The Inauguration, Anvilite, Sis Bingen, Mike Axworthy, Rowena Worthy, Ashland Worthy, Great Minnie, The Scorpion, Volga, bl. c. by Cochato—Miss Pratt, General Yorke, Peter Dixie, Worthy Morgan, Sis Bing, Libya, Lightsome Watts, Sumloch, Midnight Lad, Bow Peter, Louisiana Todd, Directum Bingen and Binworth—(59).

The Pacing Futurity, $2,000—For three-year-olds (2 in 3): Arkancello, Sad Thoughts, Brook Axworthy, Battle King, Dorothy DeForest, Hosea DeForest, Peter DeForest, Edith the Great, Miss Harris M., Richman, Michael A. Powers, General Todd, Epeus, Laduse, Junior Forrest, Lady Booker, Peter Worthy, Lady Aubrey—(19).

THE FARM

COLTS vs. HEIFERS AS A SIDE-LINE—CONSIDER THE PROFITS.

Many farm horses now stand idle through the winter months, or for nearly half the year. During that time, not having much to do, they are put on coarse and innutritious foods. In the spring they come out with soft muscles, soft and distorted feet, and wholly unfit for spring work. How can we overcome these unfavorable conditions and at the same time derive some profit from the horses at all seasons of the year?

Brood mares should be kept on farms to a much greater extent than they are, and fewer mares should go to the city. There the brood mares and the young animals find an excellent home in the pastures, and on the soft earth of the plowed fields.

Farmers engaged in mixed farming, who keep three or four horses for each 100 acres of land, would do well to raise a few horses to sell each year. It costs only about $15 to $20 more to breed and rear a colt up to the age of three years than it does to rear a heifer to the same age. The colt may sell for $150 to $200, while the heifer may sell for $40 or $50. The cost of the food consumed by a colt up to three years of age will average about $25 a year, depending largely on the value of the various foods. If an open shed is provided for shelter in the winter, and good pasture in summer, the colts will require but little attention.

The brood mare has earned, by her work, her own and her foal's food, and, in addition, enough to pay any ordinary bills incurred in the breeding and rearing of the colt.

The selling of the colts seems to be the most difficult problem with the average farmer, zut it need not be when one considers it on sound business principles. In the case with the heifer, where the farmer raises it by hand from birth, he is well satisfied if he can sell it for 10 per cent above the cost of raising, but with the foal getting its own food up to the time it is weaned, and not receiving any more care than does the heifer up to three years of age, the farmer will ask anywhere from 100 to 200 per cent above the cost of raising. Is it not more profitable, while one has to keep the horses to do the work in the summer, to raise a few colts each year, than it would be to have them stand idle and depend on other sources for the profits of the farm? In this branch of stock raising, as in others, the animals are fed on the farm and the manure returned, thus enriching the soil and increasing the productiveness of the land. Raise colts as a side-line.—Rural World.

NEW HOME FOR AMERICAN ROYAL, KANSAS CITY.

Temporarily banished from the stock yards on account of extensive improvements being made there, the American Royal Live Stock Show this year will be held in Convention Hall, at Kansas City, the week of October 4 to 9. This was decided by the directors at a meeting held at Kansas City on May 31.

Convention Hall has been for several years the home of the Kansas City Horse Show. It is admirably adapted for exhibiting live stock and has a seating capacity of 15,000. Stabling facilities for the exhibits will be provided by erecting substantial wooden structures on a vacant lot just across the street from the main entrance to the hall. It is expected that arrangements will be made to switch cars containing exhibits direct to the hall.

As the American Royal will be the final tryout before the live stock show at the Panama-Pacific Exposition, which opens October 18, it is expected that all the leading show herds will meet at Kansas City. Arrangements have been made with the railroads to forward the San Francisco exhibits at the close of the American Royal on solid special trains operated on passenger schedules.

Following are the officers of the American Royal for 1915: President, E. F. Caldwell, Burlington Junction, Mo.; vice-president, Robert H. Hazlett, El Dorado, Kans.; treasurer, H. C. Duncan, Osborn, Mo.; secretary, R. J. Kinzer, Kansas City; assistant secretary, Jno. Hazleton, Kansas City.

COW TEST ASSOCIATIONS.

The purpose of the cow test association is to afford the average dairyman an economical means of obtaining records of the cost of producing milk and butterfat from each individual cow in the herd. Most dairymen realize that this information is of great value but fail to keep the records themselves. The keeping of such records requires regularity in testing and weighing of milk and feed and a systematic form of accounting. It is possible for the dairymen to weigh the milk and ascertain the yearly production from each cow. Many have bought Babcock testers and have started to keep records of the amount of butterfat produced, but it soon became a tedious task and was neglected under the pressure of other work. This is probably the reason why so many who know and appreciate the value of the records have failed to keep them. The association supplies an economical way of obtaining these records where the necessary time cannot be devoted to the work.

An association is made up of 26 members with approximately 400 cows. The cost per cow is usually $1.25 per year or ten and a half cents per month. A man trained in dairying and one that has had some practical experience with dairy cattle is employed by the association to keep the records. This official tester, as he is sometimes called, spends one day a month at the farm of every member of the association. He arrives during the afternoon and begins work by weighing and taking samples of the milk from each cow at milking time. During the feeding operation the roughage and grain consumed by each cow is also weighed. The following morning a similar record is made. During the forenoon the samples of milk are tested for butterfat and the value of the milk or butterfat is computed at market prices. The cost of feed consumed during a day of 24 hours is then figured. The difference between the cost of feed and the value of product will determine the profit or loss per cow. The monthly production and profit is determined from this day's work.

At theend of the year, each member is given a complete record of the production of the individual cows in the herd. The results of each year's work in the different associations are summarized and published in a bulletin. This work is particularly valuable in that it shows the increase in production from year to year.

There are several important advantages that result from having records kept by means of the cow test association:

1. It affords an efficient and economical way of keeping records.
2. It gives each dairyman th actual cost of producing milk from the cow and from the herd.
3. It determines the profit or loss per cow and gives one an opportunity to weed out the unprofitable cows.
4. It shows the advantages of using a pure bred sire by the increase in production.
5. It gives an opportunity to compare the value and effect of different grains and roughages on the production of milk.
6. Some of the associations are buying grain co-operatively and thereby saving from $3 to $4 per ton.—W. P. Davis, in Home and Farm.

PLANT AND TREE INSPECTION.

A ruling in keeping with the recent act of Congress designed to place a quarantine on the nefarious blights prevailing in the horticultural sections in other states has been transmitted in the daily bulletin of the post office department.

"The plants and plant products subject to terminal inspection in the state of California are described as follows:

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CARE OF MARES IN FOAL.

"There is a lot of nonsense about the care of a mare in foal," says the Animal Husbandry officer of the Oregon Agricultural College. "After she is bred she should be kept rather quiet for several hours, but after that the best thing she can have is steady work and three good meals a day. She should not be worked so hard as to become run down on good feed. If there is any slackening of work it should be about the fifth or sixth month. During the last three months she can do a lot of farm work, such as plowing and harrowing, without injury clear up to the time she drops her foal. She will then be in good condition to stand the physical strain and have her digestive system in good working order."

WHITE DIARRHOEA OF CHICKS.

One of the most common causes of chick mortality is white hiarrhoe. No certain cure for this malady is yet known. While it has been established that this disease is usually communicated to the chick before it is hatched, it has also been established that the disease can be held in check and even prevented by proper feeding. The organisms that cause white diarrhoe are killed by weak acids. For this reason sour milk can well be made a part of the chicks' rations for the first few days. Either moisten the food with it, or set in shallow drinking pans. In addition, however, do not neglect to supply plenty of clean, pure drinking water.

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Three-minute Trot, 3 heats	$ 300.00
2:10 Pace, 3 heats	700.00
2:25 Trot (closed)	600.00
One-mile Handicap Dash, Trot and Pace	500.00
Great Western Relay Race	1,500.00

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

2:15 Trot, 3 heats	$ 700.00
2:18 Pace (closed)	700.00
Three-year-old Trot (closed)	2,000.00
Second day Relay Race.	

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Three-year-old Pace (closed)	$1,500.00
2:30 Trot, 3 heats	500.00
2:08 Pace, 3 in 5	2,000.00
Third day Relay Race.	

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

2:20 Pace, 3 heats	$ 700.00
2:12 Trot, 3 in 5	2,000.00
2:15 Pace, 3 heats	700.00
Fourth day Relay Race.	

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

Free-for-all Pace, 3 in 5	$ 700.00
2:20 Trot, 3 heats	700.00
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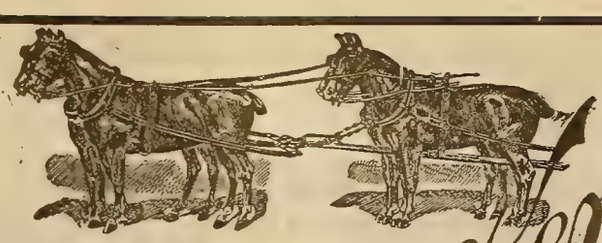
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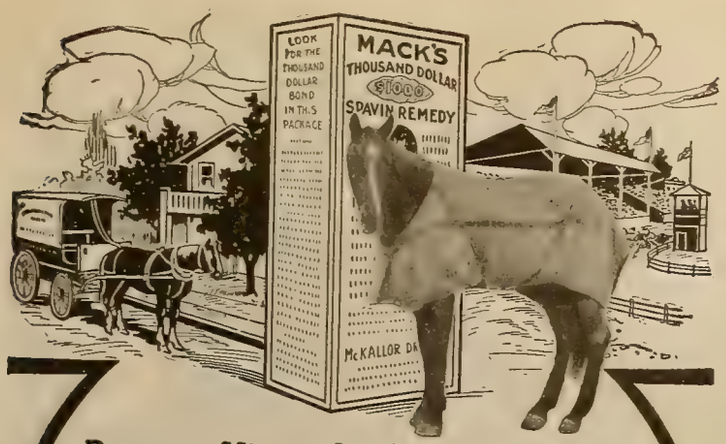
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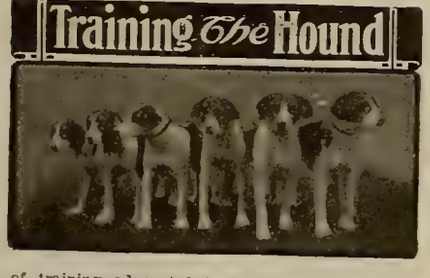
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MOOSEJAW, SASK.	July 19-13
BRANDON, MAN.	July 19-24
REGINA, SASK.	July 26-31
SASKATOON, SASK.	Aug. 2-7
EDMONTON, ALB.	Aug. 9-14
RED DEER, ALB.	Aug. 17-20

GREAT WESTERN CIRCUIT.

CLEVELAND (North Randall), O.	July 19-24
DETROIT, MICH.	July 26-31
PEORIA, ILL.	Aug. 2-7
BURLINGTON, IA.	Aug. 9-14
GALESBURG, ILL.	Aug. 16-21
DUBUQUE, IA.	Aug. 23-28
DES MOINES, IA.	Aug. 30-Sept. 3
HAMLINE, MINN.	Sept. 6-11
MILWAUKEE, WIS.	Sept. 13-18
SPRINGFIELD, ILL.	Sept. 20-25
SEDALIA, MO.	Sept. 27-Oct. 2
MUSKOGEE, OKLA.	Oct. 4-9
PHOENIX, ARIZ.	Nov. 15-20

GRAND CIRCUIT.

CLEVELAND (North Randall), O.	July 19-24
DETROIT, MICH.	July 26-31
KALAMAZOO, MICH.	Aug. 2-7
GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.	Aug. 9-14
MONTREAL, ONT.	Aug. 16-28
NEW YORK (Empire City), N. Y.	Aug. 30-Sept. 4
HARTFORD, CONN.	Sept. 6-11
SYRACUSE, N. Y.	Sept. 13-18
COLUMBUS, O.	Sept. 20-Oct. 2
LEXINGTON, KY.	October 4-16

THE WAR HORSE SITUATION.

The mounting of troops in an army is a most serious problem of an army. Not only must provision be made for a supply of horses sufficient to equip the mounted service for the ordinary routine work during peace, but a reserve must be provided in the case of an outbreak of hostilities. Statistics tell us that the Germany army requires, for complete mobilization, 770,000 horses, and she has about 4,523,000 horses. The French army is said to require 250,000 horses, which probably includes only cavalry, and France has 3,222,000 head. Great Britain requires about 400,000 horses for her army, and she has only 2,231,000. It is estimated that there are about one million horses in active service in the different armies of Europe. It is also said that Austria-Hungary has 4,370,000, Belgium 263,000 and Russia 30,000,000, and the United States 25,000,000 head.

The question arises, what have these nations been doing to stimulate the breeding of horses for their army?

Germany probably makes the largest total expenditures for this than any other country, and of the German states most attention is devoted to the subject in Prussia.

There are five breeding farms and eighteen stallion depots in the kingdom of Prussia, the farms containing a total of over 2,000 acres. The breeding work of the government is partly to encourage livestock breeding in general as well as for military purposes, but there are two provinces in Prussia known as the "Remount Provinces," where only the military object is considered. The stallion depots are most important from a commercial standpoint, and these contained 3,315 stallions in 1907. These stallions make the circuit from February to June at fees ranging from $1.19 to $4.76.

The French government has a breeding farm at Pompadour of 1,122 acres. Aside from this the breeding work is done through the medium of central studs, twenty-two in number, from which stallions are distributed throughout the country. In 1906 the French government owned and used for breeding purposes 3,321 stallions, which covered 151,414 mares at an average fee of $1.47.

The efforts of the Austria-Hungarian government to improve the conditions of horse breeding and other forms of the livestock industry surpass that of any other country in one respect—the magnitude of their breeding farms—and in addition stallions are placed in convenient places during breeding season. In Austria proper there are two horse breeding farms, one at Piber of 1000 acres and the other at Radantz with 23,809 acres. The government expenditure in Austria in 1907 was $938,000. In Hungary the great establishment of Mezohegys, with over 50,000 acres of land, 20,000 horses and 6,000 employes, Kis-ber, with over 18,000 acres, and Babolna with over 10,000 acres.

The Italian government does not devote so much attention to horse breeding as those mentioned, but 640 stallions stood for public service in 1906, covering 29,462 mares.

Just what kind of a horse is it that these countries want? I shall take England for consideration, as the other countries do not vary far from this.

"The British war office only requires horses for active military purposes that are from four to twelve years old. Crib-biters, wind-suckers, parrot-mouthed or undershot horses and animals with damaged knees or deficient teeth are not taken. Soundness in eyes, wind and limb is essential. No animals with worn, upright, or overshot joints, and none with curby hocks are passed.

"The cavalry horse must be a deep, short-legged, short-backed, good barreled one of the hunter type with substance and quality in true action. Light, active, well-bred horses that move truly and well in their paces, have plenty of bone and short backs, may thus be said to represent the ideal cavalry type. These horses' height at four years should be 15.1½ to 15.2½ hands, and more than four years they should measure 15.2 to 15.3 hands. England pays $200 for these at four years old."

"The artillery type required is a weight-carrying hunter, showing quality and ability to gallop in a gun team. These horses should be of the combined rider and driver type, with short backs, some bone and depth through the heart. They must be able to gallop when dragging guns and maintain the pace for some considerable distance. Here the height at four years old is 15.2 to 15.3 hands, and over four years 15.2½ to 16 hands. They cost about $210 at four years old."

England, France and Germany are buying horses in this country, while Russia has plenty of her own. It is estimated by some that they will take at least 300,000 horses out of this country.

Just what this means to the horse breeder in this country is the question of importance to us. Already thousands of horses have been shipped out of the Northwest. In the Country Gentleman of February 27, 1915, I read that Great Britain has been paying $210 a head for artillery horses, $175 a head for cavalry horses and $175 for mules. Dealers in Missouri who have obtained these army orders have kept their prices secret. Even some of the rural agents do not know what the British government has been paying for horses. All that these buyers know is that they cannot pay over $230 or $160 per head

It costs Great Britain and France about $300 a head to deliver an American horse at the front. The expenses are apportioned like this: $200 for purchase, transportation $85, insurance $10, feed $3, and he has from four to ten days' service in the battleline to pay for himself.

Three hundred thousand horses go from this country to certain destruction. Ten days is the average of a cavalry mount at the front, while the life of the artillery horse is only four days. Still some French officers say the average life is thirty days.

One dealer interested in buying a large Italian contract figured that each horse ordered would represent $650 by the time it reached Germany.

When the foreign nations started to buy horses last September a lot of small stuff was sent to the market which was turned down and a great deal of money was lost on this first rush.

Dealers often find that they have a lot of horses on their hands which are affected with heaves. One man who has a contract found himself with about ninety-two head of such horses. Did he lose for this and turn them out for private sales? He did not. He was a horseman by birth and what he did was to wet their feed for several days before inspection. Then, on the morning when the commission would pass on them each was given a brisk run of a mile or more, a good rub-down, and a dose of pine tar or coal oil. A horse so treated does not show the symptoms of the trouble, and eighty-five of the ninety-two got passed.

Army horses are not the highest priced sort. Medium in type, they are produced in large numbers during the efforts to breed better sorts. In times of peace they accumulate, and in times of war it is a good policy to cut them loose. Army horse inspectors are severely critical and independent in times of peace. This policy secures a higher excellence in horses for the service, and it creates the impression that horses suited for the army are scarce. It is true that horses such as officers might regard with keenest pride are scarce. They are in great demand for commercial uses, but a homely, hardy, serviceable horse, good enough to stand a lot of hardship and furnish a target for shot and shell can be bought ordinarily at a low figure. Such a horse has neither the size, speed nor looks to sell high.

It is claimed by some that this war as an outlet takes few horses that would not be used in the constructive policy we need in building up big drafters, fast trotters, gaited saddle horses and showy harness horses. It takes out the inferior sorts that the country can readily spare. Also, as one writer says: "The war horse prices are not such a boon to anyone's pocketbook as they are a boost to the industry of breeding valuable types of horses."

Still, it is held by some that the farmers are making a mistake in selling their mares and those animals that they need on the farm. Under pressure of immediate needs, as in the south where they can not sell their cotton, a great number of them will part with horses at prices that seem high just now. And later they will be unable to buy back what they require for farm purposes, because horseflesh is bound to go up.

A lot of them will be in the same position as the family that hocked the stove in July to go to the circus and could not redeem it in November.

It is also stated by some that out of this wholesale export over ten per cent of the animals are mares. This means that about 20,000 mares that cannot be spared in this country will go to the front for gunfodder.

One reason that the war horses are so scarce and will be in the future is because with the close of the civil war there started a rapid importation of draft horses from Europe and this trade has flourished till the present time with a period of depression in the nineties.

In the corn belt and in the irrigated sections of the west the draft horse is becoming the farmers' horse, almost to the exclusion of all other types. In some parts of the country where a prosperous farmer formerly kept a fine team of drivers to get about the country with, the drivers have been discarded and the farmer now owns an automobile of moderate price.

Although this is the motor age the situation in Europe in regard to the horse may be significant as to what may happen in any other country in war time or peace time. Trains and automobiles can carry troops and all kinds of equipment of war across the country and into positions as long as there are tracks of steel or roads of solid bottom. But in times of war who will vouch for tracks and wagon roads? It is only by the use of horses that the armies can cross plowed fields and the swampy places or swim the bridgless streams.

The British purchases are shipped by the way of Canada, and in November heavy losses were reported from pneumonia, which resulted in some changes of route and rigid precautions. All the French horses go by way of New York or Galveston, about 2,500 horses to a shipload.

One writer says, in regard to shipments: "I watched them loading a train with horses at Fort Worth. The shipment was bound for New York, and every car had extra boarding to keep out the cold, the weather being severe. There was to be a four days' run with two feeds, the long voyage across the ocean, the confusion of the rush to the front, and then the terrible work on the guns and the supply wagons, short rations, exposure to cold more cruel than any they ever experienced, the shriek of shells and blinding flashes of the explosions, the battlefield littered with stiff-legged carcasses!"

"Goodbye, o' feller!' cried one cowboy to the last car as the train moved out. "Gee, if he could only talk he'd sure be able to tell a story a month from now!"—Pacific Rural Spirit.

Harry Bell, the horseman, who has been spending some time here, and who left for the east last week, says that labor conditions in Canada, where he and his brother have a big lot of grain, are the very worst ever. He adds that the war in Europe has drawn on the men in Canada in a way that few realize. Thousands upon thousands of working men have answered the call of England to enlist for her cause in this European war and where there were two men for one job there are now a dozen jobs for one man. The laws of Canada are such that forbid the importation of workingmen, otherwise the lack of labor could easily be filled from this country. As it is, Mr. Bell fears that there will be thousands upon thousands of acres of grain go to waste this year because of lack of labor to harvest the crips.—Pleasanton Times.

Ventura is to have a county fair August 26, 27, 28, hanging up $500 each for a free-for-all trot and free-for-all pace, $250 each for a 2:20 trot and a 2:20 pace, and some good money for the runners.

Fun Drivers Celebrate at Exposition

In spite of the fact that the weather man threatened to cut loose with a little celebration of his own Monday in the vicinity of the Golden Gate, the largest crowd that the turnstiles have recorded since opening day found its way into the exposition grounds, and very many of its members journeyed the full length of the enclosure to find a perch in the big grandstand at the racetrack. The races, while under the auspices of the San Francisco-California Driving Club, were part and parcel of the exposition's big list of free special events in honor of our nation's natal-day, and a number of the local "pros" joined in the fun with a vim.

W. J. K., piloted as usual by the junior member of the company of Kenney & Smith, romped away with the 2:12 pace in straight heats and put the seal of approval on the classification committee's work by pacing both miles in 2:12 flat, Delilah and Bradmont furnishing the best of the competition and Happy Dentist, last year's king pin, who was making his first start of the season, coming in for honorable mention by finishing fourth each time out.

Jack, McDonnell & Conlon's little black gelding that had so far failed to head a field to the wire, failed to have the same consideration for the classification experts that W. J. K. evidenced, as he went 'em a little bit better in both heats of the 2:15 pace, doing the first one in 2:13 and the second in 2:14, Politea, Emma M., Tom Murphy and Hamburg Belle scrapping it out behind him for the lesser honors. Jack has been a little slow in getting into form, but on Monday was "right as rain." He is a handy rascal, don't wear 'em, and his wins got a good hand from the crowd.

With the following four pacers showing up for the free-for-all—Greatness, Little Bernice, Dick W. and Vera Hal—it looked like a case of "dog eat dog" for the trophy, with the odds in favor of Vera Hal, as she has worked faster than any of the others this season. Ottinger got away with the first heat in handy fashion but the little mare came back at him a little faster the next time and won in a hot finish. Ot then "resigned" in favor of Frank Burton, and Frank and Harold went at it hammer and tongs, the former winning in a strenuous drive in the stretch in an even 2:10. Greatness, who finished 2-2-3, went an excellent race for a three-year-old—a race that makes her look like a worthy rival for Bondalean and Little Express in the fall stakes.

Al Schwartz, who had the mount behind Little Bernice in the pace without getting more than a good ride out of it, evened up in the free-for-all trot by putting over Agnes Carter in straight heats and fair time, 2:15, making a double victory for the Ottinger stable. Muggins raced her for the first heat and Birdeye tried her out for the second but neither could show her the way to the wire. Rosie O., Jimmy Ryan's hope for the future pacing classes, made her first appearance locally in the mixed event, and got a nice start by annexing the trophy, standing 2-2-1 in the summary against 5-1-2 for Laddie G. and 1-6-6 for Hello Girl. Rosie is only a three-year-old, but she is a real pacer from all indications and with any sort of fortune ought to mature into a mighty useful mare.

The boys from the Presidio added spice to the program by staging a running race for cavalry horses and a Roman race, Lieutenant Brown acting as starter. The races were keen and took well with the spectators, who developed a hearty respect for horsemanship as practiced by our Uncle Samuel's swatties. The day in detail:

First race—2:12 pace:

W. J. K.	(Smith)	1	1
Bradmont	(Machado)	3	2
Delilah	(Goularte)	2	3
Happy Dentist	(Villar)	4	4
Decoto Boy	(Cohn)	6	5
Pointer Bell	(Frellson)	5	ds

Time—2:12, 2:12.

Second race—2:15 pace:

Jack	(McDonald)	1	1
Paletoe	(Burton)	2	3
Emma M.	(Malough)	5	2
T. Murphy	(Ayres)	3	4
Hamburg Belle	(Schwartz)	4	5
King Pointer	(Lecari)	6	6
G. J. P	(Consani)	7	7
Senator H.	(Hanks)	8	dr
Aerolite Jr.	(Roberts)	ds	

Time—2:13, 2:14.

Third race—Free-for-all pace:

Dick W.	(Ottinger-Burton)	1	3	1
Vera Hal	(Cohen)	4	1	2
Greatness	(Martin)	2	2	3
Little Bernice	(Schwartz)	3	4	4

Time—2:11, 2:10½, 2:10.

Fourth race—Free-for-all trot:

Agnes Carter	(Schwartz)	1	1
Birdeye	(Frellson)	4	2
Muggins	(H. Cohen)	2	6
Kinney Lou Jr.	(Burton)	5	3
J. C. Simpson	(Goularte)	3	7
St. Patrick	(Villar)	7	4
Monica McKinney	(Hoffman)	6	5

Time—2:15, 2:15¼.

Fifth race—Mixed trotting-pacing:

Rose O.	(Ryan)	2	2	1
Laddie G.	(Holland)	5	1	2
Hello Girl	(Keogh)	1	6	6
St. Thomas	(Roberts)	4	3	3
Victor Pointer	(Keating)	3	4	5
Harold K.	(Galindo)	7	5	4
Marin	(Kane)	6	7	dr

Time—2:19½, 2:20, 2:20¾.

Sixth race—Three-eighths, running (cavalry horses): Private Markin's mount, won; Corporal Wyatt's mount, second; Private Renshaw's mount, third. Time—:39.

Seventh race—Three-eighths, Roman race: Corporal Wyatt's team won, Private Trumbull's second, Private Troutmiller's third. Time—:40½.

STARS CONGREGATE FOR OPENING OF GRAND CIRCUIT.

[From the Western Horseman.]

The "clocker" who goes out to the North Randall track any day now and thinks that he can take a timer in each hand and catch all of the good miles has another guess coming. The big plant is now, without any doubt, the busiest training camp in the land and they are still coming in. On Saturday night there were 263 trotters and pacers stabled at the track and this number will be increased to near the three hundred mark by the time that this issue comes out, as Tommy Murphy has sent word from Poughkeepsie that he will arrive on Wednesday and has asked for thirty-four stalls. Last week they came in like a circus. Not a day passed without new arrivals. On Friday and Saturday the California bunch shipped in with their strings. The list from the coast included Frank and Marvin Childs, V. L. Shuler, Al Ruthven, Will Fleming and J. P. Quinn. Fleming, Quinn and Ruthven arrived on Friday, while the others reached the big track on Saturday morning.

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Will Fleming, the man who drove the great Joe Patchen II 2:03¼ down the Grand Circuit with success in 1912, brought with him the good pacer, The Beaver 2:05¾; Alberta Dillon 2:10, Tropic Dawn 2:18½, and Seneca Maid 2:15½, all of which are owned by E. J. Rochon, the Winnipeg horseman who owned The Broncho 2:00¾, at the time that she was a pacing sensation.

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Quinn brought but two, these being the trotters Albaloma 2:08¼ and Baby Doll 2:10¼. Both of these have shown a lot faster than their marks and Quinn thinks that they will get some of the money in their campaign on the Big Ring.

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Frank Childs, the clever young teamster who raced the fast pacing mare, Leata J. 2:03, down the Grand Circuit two years ago, brought over three head, viz.: Loe Blossom 2:10½; Bon Guy 2:11¾, and the pacer O. U. C. 2:07¼. Loe Blossom will make a sensational trotter for Childs if he can get her manners perfected for she showed in her work at the coast that she was none less than a 2:05 trotter. Lon McDonald got up behind her one morning at San Francisco and without any effort the chestnut mare pulled him a mile in 2:06½. She was a starter in the big trotting stake but did everything that a good trotter should not.

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Marvin Childs has in his stable the fast pacing gelding Hal Boy 2:05¼; Tom Smith 2:11¼; Imbro p. 2:12¾, and The Proof 2:11¼. Hal Boy is rated as a sure 2:03 pacer by the boys who saw him raced at the coast and is liable to figure in the fight for the big money down the line. The Proof is a son of The Exponent 2:11¾ and is figured as a 2:06 trotter.

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The Indianapolis "racers," Peter McCormick 2:08¾ and Fleeta Dillon p. 2:08¾, stood the long trip in fine style and Mr. Shuler is well pleased with the trip to the coast. Besides these two he brought the trotter John Gwynne 2:11½, that he purchased while at the Pleasanton track. Peter McCormick's legs are in good shape and at present it looks as though he will get through the season without being bothered with the pins. Fleeta Dillon is a much improved mare in her manners and Lawrence Shuler pulled off two races with her at the big meeting, getting a piece of the money in another start.

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The most talked of performer at the track is the two-year-old trotting filly Volga, a full sister to Peter Volo (3) 2:03½, that Billy Andrews is preparing for the futurities. On Monday Andrews worked her a mile in 2:12¼ and horsemen who witnessed the mile say that the filly seemed to be trotting well within herself all of the way. In a mile around 2:20 she stepped the last half in 1:03 and came the last quarter in 30¼ seconds. Volga is another trotting freak and many think that she will smash the two-year-old record.

"There is only one trotter on the grounds." That is what they all say when the subject of good trotters is brought up. I saw Andrews work the four-year-old trotter, Lee Axworthy (3) 2:08, on Friday morning and the son of Guy Axworthy stepped a mile in 2:09¾, with the last half in 1:03 and quarter in 31 seconds, and came back in 2:09, with the last quarter in :31¾. This colt seems to be good this year and I am of the opinion that he will lead any of the stake trotters a miserable life if he gets to the races in good form. Andrews has a cracking good three-year-old trotter in Bacelli, by Bertini 2:22¼, that he recently worked in 2:12. He has been a number of miles around 2:13 and right now looks like a 2:10 trotter.

The trotter John R. Dillon 2:11¼ by Sidney Dillon, has been the fastest mile of any trotter at the big track, he having trotted a mile in 2:08¼ last week. The bay stallion trotted the last half in 1:03¼ and the last quarter in :31¼. Newzel 2:05¼, with Harry Devereux in the sulky, went the distance in 2:09¼, the last quarter in 32 seconds. The three-year-old trotter, Rusticoat, worked in 2:13, quarter in 31 seconds.

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Pop Geers and John Benyon are busy on the job with the big string that they have to work on and are able to show the railbirds a bit of speed. Pop had a bay trotter added to his stable last week which he thinks pretty well of. John Benyon also likes him. This is a five-year-old horse called Etawah that followers of the Grand Circuit will remember as having started a few times last season. The son of Al Stanley 2:08¼ was shipped up from Lexington with the Dickerson string and looks as round and sleek as a show horse. He has been in the stud at Castleton and has not been asked to beat 2:20 yet this year. The big chestnut pacer, Napoleon Direct 2:02¼, is working like a clock for Geers this season and has been around 2:06. Bud Elliott worked in 2:09½, with the last half in 1:03½, and St. Frisco went in the same notch on Wednesday.

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Curt Gosnell, the Cambridge City, Ind., trainer, has the good pacer, Single G. 2:07¼, and the trotter



DICK W. 2:06¼, BY ATHADON 2:27
Winner of the free-for-all pace Monday at the exposition matinee.

r. A. L. 2:10¼, at the track but as he had scarcely become settled, did not go any fast miles. On Friday morning he worked Single G. in 2:13¼, and when Gosnell let loose of the son of Anderson Wilkes he came home from the half-mile post in 1:03, while the final quarter was in 29½ seconds.

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John Dickerson let Bonington (4) 2:06½ down to a mile in 2:10¼ and the little chestnut trotter tramped the last quarter in 30¼ seconds. King Bellini went in 2:12¼, the mile being evenly rated. Both of these trotters look extra good and should be useful to the Hillanddale Farm trainer this year.

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I saw Harry Stinson work The Toddler a mile in 2:10, with the last quarter in 30¼ seconds, and he came back in 2:10½. This colt can perform like a real trotter and Harry thinks that he will develop into a 2:05 performer. Last year he worked in 2:07½, but with Peter Volo and Lee Axworthy in the way, he did not stand much of a chance at getting much of the money in the futurities, and was not started. The roan trotting filly The Madonna, by Peter Donna 2:08, owned by Mark Leister, Tiffin, Ohio, worked in 2:19½ and is well thought of by Stinson. Peter Brown, the bay trotting colt by Peter the Great 2:07¼, owned by Fred Wilcoxson, of Norwalk, Ohio, has been around 2:30 for Harry and has been at the track less than six weeks.

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"Kentuck" Floyd shipped from Memphis with his horses including the good trotter, Omar 2:05¼. The gelding is very lame this summer and will probably be turned out. Floyd worked the four-year-old trotter, The Eno (3) 2:19¼, a mile in 2:09¼ on Wednesday and let the young son of The Native trot the final half in 1:03. He is much taken up with this trotter and thinks that he will do in good company. Sarah Douglass, the green trotting mare by Bob Douglass 2:04¼, is also well thought of by the Southern reinsman. She has been around 2:10.

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Mike McDevitt worked Joan 2:04¼ a mile in 2:12¼ and back in 2:09¼, with the last quarter in 31 seconds on Friday morning and the daughter of Directum Spier appears to be getting good. If McDevitt can get her back to the form that she displayed at Lexington last fall Joan will be hard for any trotter to beat. The sensationally fast Linda Wrona 2:05½ is going sound and worked in 2:10½ for Mike last Wednesday. In another mile a bit slower she stepped the last quarter in 30 seconds. The five-year-old trotter, Peter Mac by Peter the Great 2:07¼, that trotted to a time record of 2:10½ at Lexington last fall, is working fine this season and can beat 2:10 right now. This trotter resembles his sire more than any son that I have ever seen. The three-year-old filly, Lillian the Great by Peter the Great, and out of the good trotting mare Lillian R. 2:04¼, has been going good for McDevitt, who thinks that she will make good. On Wednesday morning she worked in 2:17½ and tramped home from the half mile station in 1:05½, the quarter being negotiated in 32 seconds.

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Guy Rea has his good trotter of 1914, Junior Watts 2:11¼, going at his work like a good fellow and has been around 2:15, with a quarter in 32 seconds. Junior Watts was a great performer for young Rea last season, when he won ten or eleven $1,000 stakes over the half-mile tracks and wound up the season without a defeat chalked against him. He looks good and acts good this summer and I look for the son of General Watts (3) 2:06¾ to win more good races for Rea this year. Rea has been in 2:12, with The Emerald, and the trotter came the last quarter in 32 seconds. Hedger 2:13¼, the pacer by Hedgewood Boy 2:01, that Guy raced a few times last year, worked in 2:10¼, last half in 1:04¾, and quarter in 30¼ seconds, on Friday morning. He surely has the whizz this season and ought to get some of the money in his class.

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Ben White is at the track with several head and looks to have some good material in his charge. The trotting mare, Lettie Lee 2:13¼, by Moko, that showed a lot of class in her races over the half-mile tracks last year, is working much to the satisfaction of her trainer and on Friday morning stepped in 2:14¼ and back in 2:13½, with the last half in 1:05½, final quarter in 31½ seconds. Queen Abbess 2:10¼, by The Abbe 2:04, a pacing mare that raced exceedingly well on the two-lap tracks last season, is another that White thinks will do some good this summer. She worked in 2:11¾, with the last quarter in 32 seconds.

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Bert Shank worked Rhythmell 2:04¼ in 2:10 on Wednesday and le the black mare trot the last half in 1:04. The daughter of Rhythmic is acting good this summer and if she keeps on the straight and narrow path all through the season will cause the fast class trotters a lot of trouble. Evelyn W. 2:03¾, the old reliable from the Shank stable that caused the backers of other fast class pacers to lose their roll many a time when she was right, is being worked by "The Mayor" again this year and appears to be coming along finely in her work. She worked in 2:12 on Friday and breezed home from the three-quarter pole in 32 seconds. Shank has always said that Evelyn W. was better than a two-minute pacer and if she comes on all right in her work it would not be surprising to hear of her beating her record.

Contemporary Comment on P.-P. I. E.

HAWLEY, HORSE BREEDER

There has never been shown to a greater degree the absolute state of lethargy existing in the minds of owners and trainers than in the case of the Panama-Pacific Exposition. Just why owners of really capable trotters should have failed to grasp such opportunities as were offered by the managers of the trotting meetings given during the Exposition is a question that is unanswerable, and one must attribute the cause to the drivers. Surely there are enough high-class horses in training eligible to the rich prizes whose owners can afford the expenditure of shipping them west, and it would seem as if the trainers themselves did not wish to take the chances of shipping from one end of the continent to the other, or else they were fearful of making such an extended journey themselves. The idea that a horse cannot be shipped 3,000 miles, or even 5,000, raced in the best of company, and returned to his home without any very great danger of loss of form is ridiculous, for the thing has been done time after time, and with marked success. Years ago, when shipping was not as conveniently done as now, trotters of great capacity were sent to California and campaigned in gruelling races, and then returned to the Grand Circuit to take part in the events given during the summer. Lon McDonald had gumption enough to go west with his stable, and he well deserves whatever success has fallen to his lot, which, however, was probably not as great as he anticipated.

The efforts of the managers of the racing department of the Panama-Pacific Exposition were not appreciated by horsemen throughout the country, and, instead of presenting to the thousands of visitors the best trotters in training, little was seen of genuine class. What a man does with his horse is his own business, yet the efforts to furnish an increased earning capacity for the trotter seems to be hopeless, for either the owners or trainers insist on following old plans and customs. Doubtless many readers have been disappointed at the time recorded in the races at the Exposition, but any man who is familiar with the weather conditions in the vicinity of San Francisco knows that, at certain seasons of the year, the wind invariably blows half a gale for weeks at a time. There is no doubt that heats very close to 2:05 would have been recorded in several of the trotting events had there been an absence of wind, for a trotter, racing against a thirty or forty mile an hour gale, finds almost as great a resistance as if he were drawing a wagon.

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I quite agree with the sentiment expressed in the sentence, "Every heat a race, and every race a joke," and I think it has never been shown more clearly that the system is absurd than during the meeting at the Panama-Pacific Exposition. In the free-for-all pace, Leata J. 2:03, whose campaign down the Grand Circuit proved her to be one of the gamest mares ever seen, was awarded first money because she appeared best in the summary, yet in each heat she did worse than in the one before, her standing being 1-2-3. In the 2:10 class, for trotters, with its $20,000 purse, the victory of Spriggan should have satisfied the racing public, even that part of it which knows little about the intricacies of heat races, for the son of Baron McKinney 2:10¼ won all three heats. Many of the races, however, under the "Point System" must have been, to the lay public, unsatisfactory, as, for instance, the race between White Sox 2:05¼ and Hal Boy 2:06¼. After winning the first two heats, the mare was beaten, and could not finish in front in any of the three succeeding miles, yet was awarded first money over Hal Boy who, at the end of the race, was winning, while the actual winner under the system was being beaten. The editorial in the last edition of the Breeder covers the subject very thoroughly, and to my mind is an unanswerable argument against the system, which does not award first place to the winner of the final heat, all of which is confusing and very unsatisfactory to the racing public.

TOM GAHAGAN, WESTERN HORSEMAN.

The exposition track is undeniably slow, especially for trotters, owing to its peculiar shape, which includes a very sharp turn which would just fit a half-mile course. A second handicap was the ocean gales which the horses were compelled to face up the back stretch—an effectual bar to all record breaking. In the majority of cases when a horse set the pace up the back stretch, breaking the wind for the others, he failed in the stretch, Spriggan, in the $20,000 stake, being the only notable exception to this rule.

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The 2:06 pace was a really grand race, the best of the meeting. No fewer than seventeen pacers started, more horses than started in any Grand Circuit event last year, and it went the limit of five heats without any horse being able to show in front at the wire three times. The Los Angeles mare, White Sox, won, her victory in the first two rounds and being well up in the other three, giving her the decision when the five-heat limit put an end to the contest.

Fortune favored her in the drawing for position before the start, for of the seventeen, she was the one to secure the coveted pole position. Hal Boy and The Beaver, the two figured as the most dangerous in the field, drew twelfth and fifteenth positions respectively, which practically spoiled their chances as far as the first heat was concerned. The fast, but erratic O. U. C., and that other "front runner," Homer Mac, set the pace in the early part of the heat which afforded White Sox an effectual windbreak and still left her in a position to go the short route. In the second heat Hal Boy broke the wind for her in the early stages and then with O. U. C. and Hal Boy both winning heats, it was only a question of the mare being well up at the finish to get the decision at the end of five rounds.

White Sox is owned by Clarence Berry, brother of Henry Berry, owner of the local Coast League baseball team, and she was named for the Chicago American League team, which has trained on the coast for several seasons. She was originally a trotter and took a record of 2:13¼ at the diagonal mode of locomotion. Will Durfee, who has given her all of her education, raced her as a pacer last season when she was a consistent winner. At Sacramento she compelled Clara Mac to pace in 2:04½ to win, a performance which was doubly pleasing to Durfee for the record eliminated Clara Mac from the big stake at the exposition, which was for 2:06 pacers.

White Sox is a free-legged pacer, Durfee refusing to drive any of the hobbled variety of sidewheelers. Like practically all of the members of that trainer's stable, she goes very high headed. No pacer at the exposition meeting could go away from the wire faster. In a workout previous to her race she stepped the first quarter in 29 seconds. She makes a break occasionally, but usually recovers quickly. Her only mistake in the big stake came at the start of the final heat, but she recovered and landed second, which was necessary in order to cinch first money. She put in two heats in 2:05¼, and over a fast track with favorable weather conditions she should pace a mile in 2:03 or better.

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While he was beaten, the little gelding, Hal Boy, was really the hero of the big stake. Drawing twelfth position before the start, he worked his way through the field and landed fourth. In the second heat he set the pace to the stretch and was beaten by White Sox in a hard drive. A break spoiled his chance in the third, but in the fourth and fifth heats he was by far the best and won handily. Had it been a "finish fight" be almost surely would have won, but as it stood, while the conditions of the race placed him second in the summary, his winnings were less than those of O. U. C., who finished third. This shows what a joke freakish conditions can make of a race at times. Had White Sox finished third instead of second in the final heat Hal Boy would have been credited with winning the race, yet would have received approximately $3,000 less than the portion assigned to the mare from the Durfee stable.

White Sox does not go to the Grand Circuit, but Hal Boy is entered straight through from Cleveland to Lexington, and, judging from his showing here, he is liable to be one of the stars of the season. He wears practically nothing but the harness, has perfect manners, will race in front or behind, can be placed anywhere, and his race here in the big stake demonstrated that he is both fast and game.

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The Beaver did not race as well as expected. He drew fifteenth position for the first heat and finished third, pacing faster than the winner. In the second heat he made a bad break on the back stretch; then paced a terrifically fast last half and again finished third. This apparently put a slight crimp in him, as Hal Boy came from behind and outfinished him in the fourth, and another break spoiled his chances in the final.

H. T. WHITE, HORSE BREEDER.

Among the new sires of 1915 are three—Anvil 2:02¾, Maurico 2:07¼ and the pacer, C. the Limit 2:03¼—whose performances on the turf are so fresh in the public mind that mention of their achievements or their breeding would be superfluous, but down at the bottom of the list is a stallion—Kentucky Chimes—about whom some interesting facts are on tap.

Briefly stated, the bloodlines of Kentucky Chimes are: By Chimes, best son of Electioneer, dam, Queenie King, by Mambrino King. In other words, the horse that sired, in Grand Chimes, a trotter capable of taking a race record of 2:17½ on a half-mile track in June is a full brother of The Queen 2:10¼, a mare that not only had speed of the extreme order, but also ranks high as a matron. Bred at Village Farm when Mr. Geers was trainer for that noted establishment, The Queen, from the day she was broken to harness, showed extraordinary speed, and Mr. Geers once told me he believed her to be the fastest natural colt trotter of the Chimes family, which means a great deal.

But lameness attacked the mare the year she was at her best (1899), although, in spite of a handicap that would have kept a horse of less nerve force in the barn, she managed to race, and took a record of 2:10¼ in the first heat of a winning race at Columbus, the time of the other two miles being 2:12½, 2:12¼. Early in the season, at that time quite

lame, the black mare won the third heat of the M. and M. at Detroit in 2:10½, in one of the historic contests for that $10,000 purse, finishing the race third to Royal Baron 2:10½, and Kingmond 2:09, with the seven heats ranging from 2:15¼ to 2:10½. She took part in half a dozen other Grand Circuit races that season, and, at its close, was retired.

Of the four trotters, one pacer and one sire now credited to The Queen, the first trotter foaled was Laurel Bell 2:29¼, by The Beau Ideal 2:15½, her natal year being 1903. Queen Worthy 2:07½, winner of the M. and M., and the fastest of the family, was foaled in 1906. She is by Axworthy 2:15½, and, a year later, her full brother, Hamlin Axworthy, arrived. He was a big colt, but, as a yearling and a two-year-old (when I saw much of him), he was in many respects as promising a colt trotter for the work given him as I have ever seen. He got no record, but is already a represented sire, albeit given no great opportunity in the stud. The other trotters from The Queen are Queenie Prince (1908) 2:30, by Prince McKinney, and Hamlin Cord (1909) 2:26¾, by Silk Cord. The pacer, Queen's Ideal 2:13¼, was foaled in 1903 and is by The Beau Ideal.

C. the Limit p. 2:03¼, another of the new sires, comes in the male line from a strain that, by many, is considered about the most valuable, in a productive way, to be found in the Wilkes family, the head of the house being Alcyone 2:27.

C. the Limit is a notable example of the certainty with which the blood of Alcyone always has produced high-class performers, and also he is inbred to that strain, his sire, Searchlight A. 2:03¼, being a grandson of Alcyone, while his dam, Bertha (dam of two trotters, eleven pacers, five sires, and one dam), is a daughter of Alcantara 2:23, brother of Alcyone. Another interesting fact in the pedigree of the new sire is that his grandam was a daughter of Bayard, son of the pacer, Pilot Jr. Alcantara was not a sire of 2:10 trotters, having none of that brand to his credit, but he gave the turf six 2:10 or better pacers, the fastest being Sir Alcantara 2:05¼. His brother Alcyone, on the other hand, although he died in 1887 at the age of nine, while Alcantara lived to be thirty-one, got three trotters with records under 2:10 and one pacer in 2:10 flat. With this showing in mind, it is no surprise to find that a 2:03¼ pacer, sired by a grandson of Alcyone and from a daughter of Alcantara, gets pacing speed worth while, and, from what O. U. C. 2:07¼ (son of C. the Limit) has shown in his work, it is evident that he is a 2:05 horse, but not yet accustomed to the racing game.

Neither is it a surprise to find in Bertha (sired by Alcantara, dam by Bayard, son of Pilot Jr.) the most noted dam of pacers. Aside from Bertha, the daughters of Alcantara have done exceptionally well as producers, they figuring to date as the dams of six trotters with records running from 2:06 to 2:09¾, and of fourteen pacers whose marks range from 2:03¼ to 2:09¼, four of them being under 2:05 and nine better than 2:07. An Alcantara mare (Estabella) gave us the sire of the champion pacer of his day, Minor Heir 1:58½, and the whole history of the strain is replete with instances of the wonderful certainty with which it breeds on, and also as furnishing an example of the value of double gaitedness in both sires and dams. Miss Russell, universally conceded to be the greatest broodmare, is a daughter of Pilot Jr. In that instance, the Pilot Jr. blood was largely responsible for the production of a champion trotter, Maud S. 2:08¾, a champion sire, Nutwood 2:18¾, and the Miss Russell strain is breeding on today in the way of brood mares, as witness Kremlin 2:07¾, got by a son of Miss Russell. He is the greatest living brood mare sire, just as Nutwood, a son of Miss Russell, attained and held a like position in his lifetime.

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I doubt if any two horses of the eastern contingent named in the Panama-Pacific meeting purses were more widely touted as probable winners than the Chicago pair, Dr. Burns Jr. p. 2:04¼, and the trotter Bessie Custer 2:29¼, and certainly none ever had worse luck when race day came, as the pacer was drawn after going two heats in his first race, having broken down completely in the second heat of the free-for-all on June 12, and did not start for the $20,000 purse on the closing day of the meeting.

I never knew an entrant for the big purse of any year to be so universally regarded as a "moral" for the event as was Dr. Burns, Jr., for the California pium. And on his 1914 races—where he was second all the time to William 2:00 and Flower Direct—he looked to be the best. A "game" leg finally put the Doctor out of the game after he had been shipped across the continent and wintered in California so that he might be good and ready for the $20,000 snap that was supposed to be his, and which, so far as the time of the race is concerned, would have been a walkover for him had he retained his form of last season.

Bessie Custer is another example of a colthood weakness coming to the front at the most inopportune time. As a two-year-old, the chestnut filly had a wonderful burst of speed for a brush, but a tendency to pace (which appeared to come from tender feet) developed, and not much was done with her. Later in life she raced pretty well, was sold, and, after reaching California, trotted miles around 2:12 in good form. But I note from the report of her start in the 2:18 trot, June 11, the Breeder and Sportsman's account of the initial heat reports Bessie Custer as "resting her feet by finishing on the pace."

Of late years, we have had no family of trotters in which tender feet were a characteristic, but in the early days of breeding, when Hambletonian 10 was to the front as a sire and many of his best trotters were from mares by Seely's American Star, it was a recognized fact that "the Star mares" were troubled with tender feet. Furthermore, they transmitted the same sort of underpinning to their immediate descendants, Jay Gould 2:21½, at one time champion trotting stallion, being a conspicuous instance, and the ailment appeared in some of his progeny.

VOLUNTEER, HORSE REVIEW.

Last Saturday the first of the great harness race meetings given in connection with the Panama-Pacific Exposition came to a close. In some respects the results were rather unsatisfactory, but in others they were very significant. The fields were regrettably small in all too many of the events, and the horsemen who, through some indifference, and lack of initiative and enterprise, failed to rally to the support of these munificent stakes and purses, have let pass a splendid opportunity that will never return; for no other like it will, in all probability, solicit their support. There should have been three times as many horses, competing as was the case—and, in particular, there should have been three times as many high-class horses from the east present and "battling for the coin." The argument that the battleground was too far away and the cost of getting there too great is beside the mark. The transportation facilities between this part of the country and California are excellent. There was ample time in which to return from the meeting for the Grand and Great Western Circuit openings. And the expense item will be more than counterbalanced by far less well-advised expenditures that will be made profusely in other ways.

In this respect the meeting was truly a "modern instance" of the besetting sins of lack of enterprise, lack of appreciation and in-the-old-rut-ness that today prevail upon the harness turf. We have no desire, however, to continue farther along this line of observation, which we will dismiss with the statement that, for the present, "Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof." Let us pass to another "modern instance" of the meeting far pleasanter to contemplate and to discuss.

We refer to the instance of Spriggan 2:08¼. Here is the real equine hero of the meeting, and one whose "case" we commend to horsemen for their study and remembrance. Our editorial leader last week was devoted to him, due to the fact of his winning the great $20,000 trotting stake at San Francisco, June 12. Since then he has "repeated" in a $2,000 event. As, previously, in his first start at the meeting, he was third in another $2,000 event, it will be seen that his winnings aggregate the splendid sum of $11,250. Ponder these figures—and ponder the associated ones that Spriggan was sold to his present owners only a few months ago for just $700; and that his cost to the seller had been just $400!

Such are the possibilities of light harness racing in America today! And yet we are obliged to listen to long sermons upon the lack of opportunity which it presents, etc., etc. We do not wish to rob the pessimist of his stock in trade—but we are decidedly dubious regarding his ability to utilize such a trotter as Spriggan for his pet purposes. He is so strongly reminiscent of the square peg in the round hole that we fear he will be useful only to optimism. And, as we are thoroughly optimistic regarding trotters and trotting possibilities, to optimism we commend him unreservedly.

To the present owner of Spriggan, V. K. Dunne of San Francisco, we tender our congratulations—as well as to his so-successful trainer and driver, Will DeRyder, who has many friends and acquaintances "back east." It pleases us that the big plum of the Exposition meeting has fallen to a "new owner" and to a reinsman who has not previously been conspicuous as a stake winner—for it is precisely such owners and drivers in this category to whom such successes are doubly welcome and valuable; serving, as they must, to confirm and intensify their allegiance to the sport. We do regret, however, that Mr. R. J. MacKenzie, that munificent patron of the trotters, who formerly owned Spriggan, lost faith in him at the "psychological moment" when a slight continuance thereof would have been so richly rewarded.

Lastly, we tender our congratulations to Mr. W. B. Dickerman, of New York, at whose Hillanddale Farm Spriggan was bred. There is no breeder of like prominence today associated with the light harness turf who has so long been devotedly loyal to it as has Mr. Dickerman, or more thoroughly deserves to add so brilliant a credit to the score of his breeding successes. Incidentally, Spriggan is a double-and-twisted, a distilled and concentrated example of the breeding theory which the Review has so long and so consistently advocated—i. e., the "development theory." His sire is Baron McKinney 2:10¼, and his dam is Helen Simmons 2:11¼. The dam of his sire is Ettie Baron 2:21¼, while the grandam of his dam is Almater 2:24¼. As stated last week, it was most fitting that the $20,000 prize should be won by a grandson of McKinney 2:11¼, the latter-day trotting progenitor whose rise to fame occurred in California itself. The second dam of Spriggan, Lady Helen, is also a daughter of Sultan 2:24, another sire that sprang into sensationalism in the "Golden State." Sultan, too, was California-bred, while McKinney was not. Baron McKinney 2:10¼, sire of Spriggan, was, we think, one of the first crop of foals got by McKinney after he was brought east from the Pacific Coast. He was an unlucky horse, but one that we always liked—and it is unfortunate that he is among the army of fast record stallions that have found new homes in Europe and henceforth are beyond the reach of American breeders.

BEATRICE, NEB.

June 22—Three-year-old, purse $200:

Allie Watts, c m by General Watts.....(Edman)	1	1			
Forrest Bingen, b s.....(Forrest)	2	2			
Valentine Smoot, b s.....(Eaglesfield)	3	6			
D. J. Burk, b g.....(Huber)	4	5			

Daisy Todd, 7-3; Bin Bon, 6-4; Baron Holt, 5-7.
Time—2:25¼, 2:19¼.

2:17 pace, purse $400:

Allator, b s by Installator.....(Stone)	3	3	1	1	1
Gratta, b m by Gratt.....(Silvey)	4	1	2	2	4
Major Hardie, b s by Oh So.....(Dennis)	1	2	8	7	5
Bob Strong .....(Friend)	5	5	3	3	2

Bessie Winfield, 8-9-4-4-3; Josie Knight, 2-4-6-5-6; Last Chance, 7-7-7-5-dr.; Armadillo, ds.; West Point, ds.
Time—2:15¼, 2:14½, 2:16¼, 2:18¼, 2:19¼.

2:24 trot, purse $400:

John Emerson, b s.....(Stone)	8	1	1	1
Charm King, b m by Norval King....(Morton)	1	3	4	4
Nell Fellows, b m.....(Russell)	2	4	2	2
Ell-Bell-Maden, b m.....(Ward)	4	5	3	3

Pronto Jr., 3-2-6-5; Hallie Graham, 6-7-5-6; Iva Thorn, 7-8-7-7; Dolly Dimples, 5-6-dr.; Kitty Red, dr.; Texas Avis, dr.
Time—2:19½, 2:21½, 2:19¾, 2:21½.

June 24—2:30 trot, purse $400:

Watsey Todd, b m by Colonel Watts..(Chandler)	1	1	1
Weinschink, b s by Jay McGregor.....(Rhodes)	2	2	3
Sand Hill Pete, s g.....(Beezley)	4	4	2
Christy Chimes .....(Snyder)	3	3	5

Cuesta Boy, 5-5-4; May Harriman, 6-ds.; Valentine Smoot, 7-ds.; Mamie O. C., 8-ds.; Baxter Grattan, ds.
Time—2:23¾, 2:21½, 2:20½.

2:22 pace, purse $400:

Jennie Fitzsimmons, b m by Bob Fitzsimmons .....(Dennis)	1	1	6	1
Don Quixote, b g by Angus.....(Huber)	3	2	1	3
Charline .....(Owens)	2	7	2	3
F. Holloway, s g.....(Sebastian)	6	9	5	4

Reba R., 5-6-7-7; Doctor H., 8-4-8-5; Mable Paral, 12-5-4-6; Baron Wizard, 11-8-3-3; Ludwig C., 7-10-9-dr.; Colonel Hunt, 9-3-dr.; Colonel B., 9-12-ds.; Dolly Dew, 10-11-dr.
Time—2:16¼, 2:16½, 2:20½, 2:20½.

2:19 trot, purse $400:

Peter Dallas, b g by Peter King...(Williams)	5	1	1	1
Great Northern, b g by Wayland W...(Ward)	1	2	2	2
The Corsair, b s.....(Huber)	6	3	3	3
Homer Allerton, b g.....(Owens)	3	5	5	4

Nat U Rich, 4-4-6-5; Chief, 2-7-7-6; The Empress, 7-6-4-7; George Summers, 9-8-8-dr.; John D., 10-9-9-dr.; Linwood Mack, 8-ds.
Time—2:19½, 2:16¼, 2:15½, 2:16¼.

2:08 pace, purse $400:

Hal McKinney, b s by Hal B.....(Sebastian)	1	1	1
Don Mack, b g.....(Williams)	3	2	3
Oveida, b m by Bob Fitzsimmons.....(Dennis)	4	3	4
Shade Line, s s by Shade On.....(Owens)	2	4	6

Columbia Fire, 5-6-2; Irish Lad, 6-5-5.
Time—2:03¾, 2:11¼, 2:10¾.

June 25—Three-year-old pace, purse $200:

Arkensello, b s by General Watts.....(Edman)	4	1	1
Oregon Hal., b s by Hal B.....(Dennis)	1	4	2
Minnie N., b m by Paral.....(Gibson)	2	2	
Sir Adrian Jr., br s by Sir Adrian.....(Morton)	3	3	

Sir Archibald, 5-5; Sunset, 6-dr.
Time—2:17¾, 2:17, 2:17¾.

2:15 trot, purse $400:

Aubrey O., b g by Captain Aubrey.....(Butler)	1	1	1
Dr. Wayo, b s by Wilkhurst.....(Ward)	2	2	2
Lord Duke, b g.....(Owens)	4	3	4
Merrlo Mack, b m.....(Ginger)	3	6	6

Baffin, 7-5-3; Grand Chimes, 5-7-3; Lena G., 6-4-7; Dr. Charles H. Cole, 8-8-8.
Time—2:15¼, 2:15¼, 2:17¼.

2:13 pace, purse $400:

Trixie B., s m by Bee Gee.....(Sefton)	2	5	1	1	1
Lee Dale, b g by Archdale.....(Russell)	1	1	3	3	3
Axcybetta, ch s.....(Augler)	4	2	2	2	2
Danica, b m.....(Johnson)	3	4	4	5	4

Rustic Patenter, 6-3-5-4-5; Evelyn Patchen, 5-8-6-dr.; The Co-Ed, 8-6-7-dr.; Ben Norval, 7-7-8-dr.; Hal J., ds.
Time—2:13¾, 2:12¼, 2:14¼, 2:15¼, 2:18¼.

VANCOUVER, B. C.

Vancouver, B. C., July 1, 1915.
Free-for-all trot or pace:

Nic Nac, b g g by Alcone.....(W. B. Russell)	4	1	1
Olga S., b m by Diablo.....(W. C. Marshall)	1	2	2
Monarch Boy, b g by Merry Monarch.(A. McPhee)	3	3	3
Baldue, b g by Del Coronado.....(J. Grant)	4	4	4

Time—2:12½, 2:19¼, 2:19¼.

2:25 trot or 2:30 pace:

Prince Malone, ch g by Kinney Lou (Pastime Stables)	1	1
Glad Wren, b m by Jubilee D'Jarnette (C. Hawk)	2	2
Cromo, blk g by Moko.....(G. Bell)	3	3
Billie Button, b g by Kinney Lou..(A. McCullough)	5	4
Alex. Williams, blk g by Patchen Boy (W. E. Fenn)	4	dr

Time—2:29¼, 2:29½.

2:40 trot, one-half mile heats:

Morris Barker, b g by Walter Barker..... .....(N. J. Riplinger)	1	1	1
Greco McKinney, br s by Greco B (A. R. Miller)	2	2	2
Susie G., b m by Greco B.....(W. H. Mason)	4	3	3
Alma Lou, blk m by Kinney Lou..(W. H. Mason)	3	4	4
Amaline Lou, br g by Kinney Lou..(Wm. Steel)	5	5	5
Special Blend, br g by Burtwood..(E. Burgoyne)	6	dr	

Time—1:09, 1:08½, 1:09½.

Colt race, one-half mile heats:

Lady Tango, b f by Belmar.....(E. Burgoyne)	1	1
K. M. C., br g by B. C. King.....(J. Welsh)	2	2
Belmar McKinney, b g by Belmar (R. Fitzsimmons)	3	3

Time—1:12½, 1:13.

In a letter from Mrs. Chas. DeRyder, written from Salt Lake City, on Monday of last week, she says that she and her husband had arrived there that day from Ely, Nevada, having made the run between the two cities in one day, when all road maps and all garage men who had been asked about the trip between the two cities gave it as a two days' trip. Up to Salt Lake City, the couple had met with not even a puncture and everything was going along nicely. They are proceeding along the line of the old pony express line of the Wells, Fargo Company, and have been from 100 to 150 miles from a railroad all along except when they arrived and got near to Ely, Nevada. Mrs. DeRyder says that the route is the same as followed by the '49ers and is interesting all the way.—Pleasanton Times.

BUTCHERS' DAY RACES AT PLEASANTON.

Threatening skies early in the day and a counter-attraction at Niles combined to cut the attendance at Pleasanton Monday when the Alameda county butchers concluded their two-day celebration with a nice card of harness races which furnished good entertainment for the loyal lovers of the sport. Before the first event was called the day was bright and pleasant, the promised showers of the early morning failing to materialize. The trains from bay points were fairly well patronized, and many of those present made the trip by auto over the excellent roads and boulevards that connect the Livermore valley with both coast and interior cities.

The special race for members of the Oakland Stadium Club drew a field of five pacers that showed the trans-bay organization to have some nifty fun horses in its ranks, as well as some pretty handy amateur drivers. This is the first real race indulged in by the club,—and indeed its members were much in evidence throughout the day, the judges and timers stand being "manned" by them to a considerable degree—but they are looking forward eagerly to the future day when the new track near the Auditorium will enable them to stage frequent matinees of their own.

With Jerry Doran up behind Hallie's Star, many of the Oakland and Alameda contingent seemed inclined to consider him the pick of the field, but another son of Star Pointer 1:59¼ had to be reckoned with—Allegro. With the owner, G. C. Schreiber, doing the teaming the bay fellow was never in serious difficulties and never was the ultimate outcome in doubt after the first heat, Sleepy Dick and Grand W. furnishing most of the competition the first two times out, Jerry's mount leaving his feet in the stretch on both occasions. The little brown horse steadied in the third, however, and stood a nice drive and was beaten by only a small margin, though the Schreiber gelding apparently had something more left had its use been necessary. The field was nicely balanced and there was not a bad actor or a hobbled pacer in the bunch. The winner, Allegro, was bred by his owner and received much of his preparation for the race at the hands of Mrs. Schreiber, his manners and condition bearing eloquent testimony to her accomplishments as a horsewoman.

The 2:20 trotters were all money winners at the exposition meeting, and trotted right up to previously displayed form, or better, in three well-contested heats in which Bon Cres had the best of every final argument, Chadbourne being content to lay back until well into the last turn and out-trot his competitors through the stretch, Bonnie Ansel furnishing him consistent company.

Chadbourne made the afternoon a double header by taking the 2:20 pace with A. B. C., leading all the way for the first two heats and being beaten in the last one by Father-in-law Sutherland by only a very few inches, all three of the entrants finishing the final spin heads apart. The record is a new one for Zoetrix, who is headed for the ten list before the season closes, and William G., the big pacer from Colusa, for whom it was his initial event, went a faultless race for Loren Daniels.

Three heat winners developed in the special trot, with the bay gelding Redeem, driven by C. C. Crippen, having the best of the standing by finishing second in the other heats. This fellow has had trouble with one prop in the past, but showed mighty well for Crippen in this race. Columbia T. knocked a second and a half from her exposition record and save for a break on the first turn in the second heat probably would have gotten away with the race, as she finished a good second after her mishap. Nuristo was never in much danger in the final heat after taking the lead from Howard's Comet early in the mile, owing to a break on the part of that youngster.

During the afternoon Charley Spencer drove Con Harkins' "brood mare," Belle Bow, to a trotting record of 2:28¼, and M. Henry, trainer for R. S. Irvine's Lanark Park stable, put four in the list, the trotters Ala Moscovita 2:20¾ and Sonatine 2:29¼, and the pacers Lanark P. (3) 2:25 and Beretta Dee 2:13. The latter lass, by Charley D. 2:06¼ and out of Beretta 2:22½ (sister to C. the Limit 2:03¼) looks like the making of a high class campaigner.

Frank E. Wright of Sacramento "sent 'em away" in good shape and without delays, and the entire afternoon was enjoyable. Here are the details:

Pleasanton, July 5, 1915.

Special pace, Oakland Stadium Club, purse $250:

Allegro, b g by Star Pointer.....(Schreiber)	1	1	1
Grand W., ch g by Daken D.....(Lind)	3	2	3
Sleepy Dick, b g by Grover Clay....(Rutherford)	2	3	4
Hallie's Star, br h by Star Pointer.....(Doran)	4	4	2
Lena Lee, b m by Teddy Ray.....(Cross)	5	5	dr

Time—2:19½, 2:21, 2:18¾.

2:20 trot, purse $500:

Bon Cres, bl h by Bon Voyage....(Chadbourne)	1	1	1
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel....(Spencer)	2	2	2
Eloise Dell, br m by Alconda Jay.....(Daniels)	3	4	3
Brutus, b g by Strathway.....(Christenson)	4	3	4

Time—2:11¼, 2:13½, 2:12¼.

2:20 pace, purse $500:

A. B. C., b g by Young Monterey...(Chadbourne)	1	1	2
Zoetrix, ch m by Zolock.....(Sutherland)	2	2	1
William G., ch g by Clarence Wilkes....(Daniels)	3	3	3

Time—2:11¼, 2:12¼, 2:13¾.

Special trot, purse $120:

Redeem, b g by Directum H.....(Crippen)	2	1	2
Columbia T., b m by Bon Guy.....(Daniels)	1	2	3
Nuristo, br g by Nushagak.....(Spencer)	4	4	1
Howard's Comet, b g by Teddy Ray...(Sanders)	3	3	4

Time—2:16, 2:16¼, 2:18.

To beat 2:30¼ trotting:

Ala Moscovita, b m Alconda Jay—La Moscovita by Guy Wilkes .....(Henry) 2:20¾

Belle Bow, b m by The Bow—Dame by Monterey .....(Spencer) 2:28¼

Sonatine, ch m by Stanford McKinney—Sextette by Athablo .....(Henry) 2:29¼

To beat 2:25¼ pacing:

Beretta Dee, b m by Charles D. McKinney—Beretta by Searchlight .....(Henry) 2:13

Lanark P., b c by Zorankin—Bloom by Nushagak .....(Henry) 2:25

LOGAN POINTER SOLD FOR EXPORT.

Very shortly before leaving this city for Vancouver, B. C., from which port he sailed for his home on Wednesday of this week, Freeman Holmes, the New Zealand horseman, purchased from J. E. Montgomery of Davis the six-year-old stallion Logan Pointer, the buy being made subject to the lad passing the test for glanders, which is required prior to export.

There have been a goodly number of American stallions taken to the antipodes during the years in which trotting has flourished there, and while in every instance they have been excellently bred it is doubtful if any of them have had the extreme speed inheritance, close up, possessed by Logan Pointer. His sire, Star Pointer 1:59¼, first of all the line of two-minute performers, is a son of an extremely potent sire and a prolific dam, and in addition to being a race horse of sterling merit became the sire of over two-score standard performers, eleven of them earning records of from 2:04 to 2:09¾.

On the maternal side, the youngster springs from the matron that is by long odds the speed-producing champion of living mares of the Pacific coast—Effie Logan. Four great pacers own her as their dam, three of whom have proven the excellent qualities of their inheritance by transmitting speed to their get in generous quantities. First of the quartette to appear was Sir Albert S. 2:03¾, gelded at an early age. Then came the three-year-old champion, Jim Logan (3) 2:05½, who reduced that mark through annual and successful campaigns to 2:01¾, by virtue of which last performance he became the coast's champion racing pacer. Raced season after season he has had small opportunity for doing stud duty, but the first one of his get to be trained (Maxine) won the Breeders' Futurity as a three-year-old, raced to a record that year of 2:15 and showed in her work that she could beat 2:10. Dan Logan 2:07¼ came next, and he, too, has proved his worth as a sire, two champions being by him, Capitola (2) 2:17¾, (3) 2:14¼, and John Malcolm (2) 2:11¼, both stakewinners of renown. This spring, at the record meeting at Woodland, Lock Logan acquired a record of 2:07¼, and his only foal, the two-year-old Carolyn M., paced to a mark of 2:21. Not many brood mares can lay claim to four sons, three of them speed sires, whose average record is 2:05, an average that the future performance of Lock Logan will undoubtedly reduce to a still faster figure, as his racing career has not yet begun.

Logan Pointer is a good colored, good sized horse, well made and naturally fast, Mr. Montgomery having refused an offer well up in the thousands for him prior to the hard luck that retired him to the stud. New Zealand horsemen will like him when they see him, they can have only the deepest respect for his breeding, and that he will be both popular and successful in his new home is the opinion of those who know his family here.

WILLIAM LIKELY TO BE A SENSATION AGAIN THIS YEAR.

William 2:00, the pacing stallion that became the champion of his gait and age (four years) last season, is the star of more than 250 horses now at the North Randall track being tuned up for the opening of the Grand Circuit on July 19. If any doubt existed about this Indiana pacer not being the great horse that he was last year it was dispelled by his first fast work of this season, which took place last week —indeed, it is believed that he is an improved horse. William, when set down for a good mile, paced in 2:04¼, finished the last half in 1:00 and the last quarter in 28 seconds. Billy Marvin, his trainer, does not favor fast miles and last year before William started on his meteoric campaign the fastest workout was in 2:07¼, final quarter in 29½ seconds.

All horsemen are greatly impressed with the appearance of the stallion. William reached his full growth last year as a four-year-old, but he was somewhat waspy. Since his last race in October he has filled out and is 95 pounds heavier than just one year ago. Last year William had all the speed necessary for a pacer to have. It will be remembered that within one month from the beginning of his racing engagements he paced the first mile in two minutes in a race, and that he won three heats that averaged 2:01, a performance that is still the best on record. In September he really paced in 1:58, for he was at the throat-latch of Directum I in that fastest of racing heats.

The outstanding characteristic of William as a colt was that he could carry his clip, but last week's quarter in 28 seconds shows that he has the anticipated strength from maturity and increased weight. His disposition and manners are perfect as ever, so that it is simply conjecture how fast he will pace this year. There are many conservative horsemen who believe he will beat all records.

Marvin is getting William ready for the Grand Circuit and will start him in the free-for-alls, if such a class can be filled.—Horse World.

KAMMS (ROCKPORT), OHIO.

June 22—2:28 class trotting, purse $400:

Ima Jay, br m by Jay McGregor.....(Ernest)	1	1	1				
Clifton, b g by The Earlmont.....(Harrison)	2	2	2				
The Vonia, br m by The Abbe.....(White)	3	3	3				
Maria Bellini, b f (4) by Lionello.....(Harris)	5	4	5				

Earl Don, ..-5-4; Katherine Vincent, 4-6-6.

Time—2:17¼, 2:15¼, 2:15¼.

2:14 class pacing, purse $400:

Ross Keith, b g by Waltz....(Berry)	2	2	1	2	4	1	1
All Wilkes, b m by Baron H. (Heffner)	1	1	2	4	3	2	2
Stilletto Pratt, blk m by Stiletto..... (Sweeney)	6	7	7	1	1	3	3
Mansfield, b h by Alstrath.....(Ray)	3	3	5	3	2	ro	

Sylvia Right, -4-4-3-ro.; Colonel O., 7-6-4-6-ro.; Laura Patch, 9-8-8-dr.; Nance, 5-5-6-dr.; Bay Sure, 8-ds.

Time—2:12¼, 2:12¼, 2:12¼, 2:15¼, 2:14¼, 2:18¾, 2:19.

2:20 class trotting, purse $400:

Jack K., ch g by Silverfinch.....(Gray)	3	8	1	1	1		
Electric McKerron, br h by John A. McKerron ..... (Kane)	1	1	3	6	2		
Urlah, ro m by The Tramp.....(Moorhead)	2	2	8	8	3		
Banker Bingen, b g by King Bingen..... (Dempsey)	8	5	2	2	4		
Teddy Brooks, 6-6-5-3; Lady Maud S., 7-3-9-5; Vivetta, 4-4-4-4-4; Red Dice, 5-10-5-7; J. B. J., 10-7-7-7; Silver Sue, 9-9-ds.; Miss Carroll, ds.							

Time—2:17¼, 2:17¼, 2:17¼, 2:16¼, 2:17½.

June 23.—2:17 class pasing, purse $400:

Paducah Kid, blk g by Director Boy.....(Settle)	1	1	1				
Wonder Worthy, ch g by Ward Axworthy.... (Brown)	3	2	2				
Vera B., b m by Hal B.....(Ray)	2	5	6				
Dan Taylor, ch g by Newtown Boy.....(Jones)	4	3	5				

Don Wilkes, 7-4-3; Vasht, 9-7-4; Baby E., 5-6-7; Oakland Sun, 8-8-8; Grant N., 6-9-ds.

Time—2:16¼, 2:15¼, 2:15¼.

2:35 class trotting, purse $400:

Edward Gray, b h by Tregantle (Whitehead)	4	2	1	1	1		
Sanatel, b m by Silent Brook.....(Ray)	2	1	2	3	3		
Amazing Lady, b m by The Abbe..(Erskine)	1	6	5	4	2		
Horace G., b h by Ondale.....(Kane)	7	5	4	2	4		

Chimewood, 6-3-3-5; Pap, 5-4-7-ds.; Peter Chenault, 3-7-6-dr.; Zorando, 8-ds.

Time—2:20¼, 2:20½, 2:20¼, 2:22¼, 2:21½.

2:12 class pacing, purse $400:

The Climax, blk h by Gov. D. R. Francis .....(Brennan)	6	5	1	1	1		
Coastella, b m by Coastman.....(Legarde)	2	1	3	6	4		
Iola Hal, b m by Argot Hal.....(Ray)	1	2	8	7	3		
Joe H., b g by Larabie the Great..... (Whitehead)	8	7	2	4	2		

Baronwood, 5-10-5-2-ro.; Alice May Direct, 3-3-4-5-ro.; Margie Hal, 10-6-7-3-ro.; Handy Jim, 7-8-6-8-ro.; Long Shot, 9-9-9-9-ro.; Belle Pointer, 4-4-10-dr.

Time—2:14¼, 2:13¼, 2:12¼, 2:12¾, 2:12½.

June 24—2:15 class trotting, purse $400:

Sunday Morning, b m by Jack W..... (Shackett)	1	2	3	7	1	1	
Andral, br g by Norval.....(Gosnell)	4	1	1	3	4	2	
Hyper, b h by Parole..... (Higginson-Whitehead)	8	5	6	1	2	3	
Adelaide Benson, b m by Dick Benson .....(Wickert)	7	8	2	2	3	ro	

Lan on P., 2-3-9-6-ro.; Gertie T., 3-6-7-5-ro.; Carnation, 9-7-5-4-ro.; Ben Gregor, 5-9-4-8-ro.; Mary Warren, 6-4-8-dr.

Time—2:16½, 2:14¼, 2:15¼, 2:15¼, 2:16¾, 2:19½.

2:24 class pacing, purse $400:

Tango, br h by Directly.....(Todd)	3	1	1	4	1		
Heart Patch, b h by Dan Patch...(Becker)	6	7	6	1	4		
Sidney Dillon, Jr., b g by Sidney Dillon.... (Wickert)	4	2	2	2	2		
Sir Alcantara, Jr., b h by Sir Alcantara .....(Jones)	2	6	7	9	3		

Singer, 5-8-5-3-ro.; King Alton, 10-9-3-7-ro.; Bon Jay, 9-5-4-8-ro.; Trampabit, 8-4-8-5-ro.; King Alton, 10-9-3-7-ro.; Spring Maid, 7-10-9-5-ro.; Stanley L. by Al Stanley, 1-3-ds.

Time—2:15½, 2:14¼, 2:14¾, 2:18.

2:23 class trotting, purse $400:

Lena Moko, b m by Col. Cochran.... (Lamport)	7	5	3	1	1	1	
Lady Cochato, b m by Cochato (McDevitt)	3	1	1	4	3	3	
Melrose, b g by King Melrose..(Shackett)	1	6	5	6	2	2	
Wenban, br g (4) by Peter the Great .....(Shank)	2	2	2	7	4	ro	

Blackburn Watts, 4-3-6-2-ro.; Earl of Delaware, 6-4-4-3-ro.; Harry Wilkes, 8-8-7-5-ro.; Sweet Margaret, 5-7-dr.; Mokover Girl, 9-ds.

Time—2:19¼, 2:17¼, 2:18½, 2:19¼, 2:21¼, 2:21¼.

June 25—2:20 class pacing, purse $400:

David B., g g by Kingston G..... (Wickert)	9	7	1	2	1	2	1
Doris R., blk m by The Plunger.... (Horton)	1	2	3	5	2	1	2
Now-a-Day Boy, b g by McDougall .....(Erskine)	11	1	2	1	3	3	3
Munson, b g by George St. Clair.... (Paige)	2	3	4	6	4	ro	

True Fast, 6-9-3-4-ro.; Wilbur S., 7-6-7-3-ro.; Walter F., 4-4-5-8-ro.; Nancy Kay, 12-8-8-7-ro.; Almedia Hal, 5-5-ds.; Lucille Brooks, 3-ds.; Audubon, 8-ds.; Hilo Mack, 10-ds.

Time—2:18½, 2:15¼, 2:15½, 2:17½, 2:18¼, 2:20¼, 2:20¾.

2:17 class trotting, purse $400:

Lou Jennings, br m by Todd.....(Brennan)	1	1	2	1			
Lucy Van, b m by Anderson Wilkes.....(Ray)	3	3	1	2			
Montferris, blk h by Walnut Hall.....(Mott)	2	2	10	3			
Margot Leonard, b m by Ora Wilkes (Dennis)	6	5	3	5			
Harry Hamilton, 7-4-5-9; Countess Mobel, 4-10-8-8; Pineknot, 10-6-4-10; Lottie Simmons, 8-7-7-4; Donna B., 5-8-6-6; Model Fortune, 12-9-11-7; Hugh Miller, 9-12--12-dr.; Fannie Woodburn, 11-11-9-ds.; Silver Sue, 13-ds.							

Time—2:14¼, 2:14½, 2:16¼, 2:15¼.

Free-for-all class pacing (half-mile heats), purse $400:

Billy M., ch g by Newtown Boy.....(Sweeney)	1	1	1
Flower Direct, b m by Direct Star (Whitehead)	2	2	2
Ella Ambulator, b m by Ambulator....(Jamison)	3	3	3
Don Patch, br g by Bon Patch.....(Cook)	4	4	5

Pickles, 5-5-4; Long Shot, 6-6-dr.; Nance, 7-dr.

Time—1:01¾, 1:01¼, 1:00¾.

In regard to the query of a San Mateo reader, Banker's Daughter 2:13¾ is by Arthur Wilkes 2:28½ but her dam was never established satisfactorily to the publishers of the year book, though it is presumed in some quarters that she was out of Sunflower 2:28 by Elmo 891. Arthur Wilkes is the sire of twelve standard performers, the fastest of which is the three-heat champion trotting mare, Maymack 2:04½.

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Reno's initial race meeting with pair-mutuel betting begins a week from today, with good prospects of success. Almost all the stables racing at Denver, as well as many from other points, shipped to Reno, from where most of them will come on to this city. A. T. Dobson will officiate as presiding judge, S. J. Rothert as clerk of the course, F. McClain as paddock judge, and C. D. Stevens will handle the barrier.

HOW TO BECOME A FLAGMAN.

Manager The Horseman's Correspondence School: Have just been appointed by the president of our association as flagman for our coming race meeting but have never been mixed up with racing before and ask you for information as to the duties of a flagman. Am lame, being compelled to use both a crutch and a cane, and would like to know if this will interfere with my work. Yours—Quick Step.

We are glad that you appreciate the qualities of this department so highly, that you write us for information, and we will endeavor to point out to you the proper way you should handle the important position assigned you; and the fact that you have no knowledge of the work makes it much easier for us, as you will not be compelled to give up any of your old habits to make it a success, since you know "it is hard to teach an old dog new tricks." The fact that you are crippled will make you more serviceable as we will proceed to show.

The president of your association must consider your friendship highly or else he would not have appointed you to such a high salaried position and you will find many ups and downs in your crippled condition, before you earn that dollar per, which you will collect at the end of the meeting. Of course in a job of this kind the salary is only given you as deposit to bind the bargain, the real money you must frame up to make yourself, and your crippled condition gives you an excuse to get this money; as, for instance, in this hobbled condition of yours, you are not expected to hurry very fast after a heat is over, to reach the judge's stand to report the horses distanced, you are expected to loiter, thus giving the shut-out drivers a chance to meet you down the stretch, away from the eyes of the judges and crowd, who will be busy watching the other drivers dismount. When these shut-out drivers meet you, it will be very cordial and they will insist on shaking hands with you. Of course, you must return this greeting cordially, but remember to withdraw your hand slowly from their and as soon as the hands are clear, shut yours quickly, as something that feels like a banknote may prevent you from shutting it very tight.

As soon as this happens, quickly note the number on the driver's arm, so that you will remember that he was at least a half length in front of your flag when it fell. You must cultivate a good memory, as several of these drivers may like you equally as well and of course all of their horses were inside the distance and the only ones that will be out are the drivers who forgot you were down there, and such cheap guys as those should be taught a lesson, as they cannot expect good treatment from a good fellow, unless they are affected with itching palms.

After you find that through some act of rare legerdemain, several greenbacks have passed into your hand, do not place them in your pocket at once, as this looks very suspicious and some wise knight of the flag, who has been there himself, may create scandal. Just hold the coin in your hand and at some convenient time slip it into your pocket, but do this before you reach the stand. Always keep your nerve about you and never get excited and remember one thing, that the best liar always makes the best flagman, because if you are accused of being too friendly to certain drivers you must protect them as well as yourself, by scientific lying, or you may lose your lucrative position. Just imagine, if everything goes well, how many heats there are in the course of a week, and you should collect something from each heat.

While still on this subject of voluntary contributions, we would also call your attention to another form of graft that works well, if you are a good judge of human nature. This requires much tact in handling and if not properly worked may result in damage to your personal beauty and your whole snap given away to the officials. This delicate little piece of byplay takes the form of flagging drivers unless they come across. In doing this you select one or more of the drivers who are just beating the flag, tell them you will report them out unless they do grease your palm and often you can get by with this, especially if they are green in the business and you impress them with being more important than you really are, although they know they have no chance of getting among the money winners, yet the fact that they are distanced may mean a lot to them in their owner's eyes, and rather than endanger their position they will scratch the center of your hand. Always get your money in advance, never trust, as you have no means of recovering. We have shown you how a flagman's job may be made to pay good money.

Now for more instructions. After you drop your flag, hobble slowly to the stand, stopping every now and then to talk or answer questions. In your route from the flag station to the judge's stand, keep close to the fence, where the crowd is leaning, greet everybody who greets you, particularly that close friend from miles back in the country. You can spare him several minutes and pay no attention to the call of the judges to hurry, as in your crippled state you will not be able to, and remember that everybody on the track is waiting for the judge's announcement and he cannot give it until he hears from you. You are always safe in thus loitering, as there is only one judge in a million who watches your flag drop and therefore your information is indisputable. You may also stop and tell everybody you meet about the distanced horses, before you tell the judges, as they are paid to wait and you also prolong the agony of those waiting to hear whether the favorite was distanced; of course he was not, if you have the coin in your pocket.

After you have reported, loiter among the judges, helping yourself to refreshments of all kinds and butt into their conversation, even to the extent of advising them about the work of the various horses in the race, notwithstanding the fact that you could only see about one-eighth of the track from where you were standing. Be particular about helping yourself to the refreshments, as it is a hot and hungry job you have and these eats and drinks may save you the price of a supper. If you are serious about it, eat your fill, then take several handwiches along with you as eating will help while away the time.

After you have left the stand, stop and again have talks with the hangers-on around the track; give them your opinion of the judge's decision, particularly tell the money losers how they were robbed. Even if the horses have already been given the word in the next heat, do not hurry any faster than to just allow the leading horses to pass your flagstand and some experienced (?) flagmen, if close pressed, drop their flag before reaching their stand and take a chance on being found out. This allows them to meet the handshaking driver nearer than usual, making the time of acquiring new wealth shorter and also saving the oncoming angel a shorter distance to walk.

Never ask the judges where you are to locate, as you have the choice between long and short distance stands, regardless of how many horses are in the race; just so you are somewhere. If you report to the stand that a horse is out and an unfriendly driver questions your word, measure off the distance he was out by your hand, as inches always count. Of course you are not responsible for ignorance, as in your own mind you know that horse, man or sulky should all be inside the flag, but if the judges declare a horse inside, just because his nose was three inches on their side of the flag, you must sympathize with their lack of knowledge of the rules and humor them by agreeing with their decision; it saves unpleasant comment.

Also be just as particular in being late in getting to your stand for the first heat as in the later ones, as it is an inspiring sight to see a lot of judges cackling around like a hen that has lost her chickens, over the fact that the flagman is not at the distance pole, while the horses are scoring or have already been sent away. This worry is appreciated by the judges, and they are apt to shake your hand in a different way, the first time they see you. Never offer any excuse for such lateness, just keep away from the stand.

Some flagmen become very successful by not going near the stand at all, as they imagine that the judges in the stand are mind readers and can tell what is happening in the flagman's mind, by looking at him one hundred yards away. This kind of a man saves himself many footsteps. Then again you could bury yourself in the crowd and never raise your flag, depending on a squit along the broomhandle for the distanced horses; the judges do not see this and think you are not working; these men in the stand are always such a mean lot, begrudging you the "salary" you are making.

As a private tip, we would not advise a flagman to stroll around the stables after the first day's racing, because the caretakers are liable to take up the grievances of the owners and drivers, and it would be very unpleasant to carry a pair of artificially colored lamps during the balance of the meeting. Confine yourself to the race track or secretary's office during leisure hours, as you have a better chance of sizing up the drivers and may make a few extra pennies by running errands. Some flagmen are bodyguards for officials of the association, as they have a better chance for free booze by hanging around.

Regarding the regalia you should wear while acting as flagman and also the paraphernalia you should use, we offer the following suggestions: Take a broom from somebody, saw or chop off the corn part of it, thus leaving a smooth handle. Then hunt around for an old red flannel shirt, tear out the back from collar to end of tail, tack this on your broom handle and you have an ideal and fashionable distance flag. Some flagmen, however, only use a nickel American flag, but the shirt flag is more stylish. As regards your own dress you should closely follow the style set down by all race tracks and while not expensive it is very effective.

This consists of a loose fitting pair of trousers, any color, but preferably black; attach to these a pair of suspenders that should also fit loosely, allowing you the free use of your arms and back in dropping the flag. The shirt should be of an ecru color, although it may be white on the first day and gradually assume the ecru color during the meeting, but remember, never change it until after the racing is over. Some "Beau Brummels" among the flagmen prefer well washed and faded yellow overalls and jumpers, but this is only a matter of personal taste. Any kind of shoes will do, as they are always covered with dust and do not show. The hat can be of a broad-brimmed western style, always black, and worn Fedora style; well worn derby hats are permissible, and oftentimes a cap is worn. Never wear a coat when handling the flag, it is bad form, and you should really wear no vest, so that the suspender effect can have full sway. With this equipment you will find that a flagman's life is not as hard as it is painted.—W. H. Shields, in the Horseman.

IS THE PROMISED LAND IN SIGHT?

From Lexington, Kentucky, through an article written by Henry M. Jones, for The Horseman, comes the news that Major P. P. Johnson has resigned or will soon resign the Presidency of the National Trotting Association. Glory be! And now if the secretary of that fearfully-managed and peanut-politics ridden organization would surrender his grip on the proxies and permit breeders, horse and track owners and horsemen to elect a governing board, we would start a new era of prosperity for the trotter.

As a presiding officer Major Johnson was satisfactory though a bit tempery and sometimes unfair because of that. He has been, however, as President of the National Trotting Association, a mill stone about the neck of our trotting interests, very largely because he gave no attention to the affairs of the Association except periodically during its Board meetings, leaving matters almost entirely in the hands of Secretary Gocher. With such latitude, the Secretary grew to be the governing officer. He selected the members of the Board and elected them with his proxies. Likewise he and his stand-bys dropped from the Board any member they desired who did not work well in their team. In fact, from the making of rules to the enforcing of them, from the collecting of money to the spending of it, the Secretary has been the National Trotting Association. Major Johnson seemed to think it proper and all right to permit the secretary to lead him and I can only account for such apparent apathy on the part of a man of his ability as simply being satisfied to receive his salary and let others shoulder the work and responsibility. His attitude in this has put him in a false light many times and his having no active interest in any track or trotting meeting and racing no horses of his own, not even entering them in the futurities, has put him entirely out of touch with the whole machine and he has been compelled to lean upon his trusted Secretary.

The three strongest members of the Board have attempted to resign and I believe have not served actually for some years. Their names have been kept on the list, however. They are not in sympathy with Mr. Gocher but so long as they keep their hands off they do not bother him and to retain them pleases Major Johnson. Of the twenty-three men composing the officers and District Boards of the National Trotting Association, only five can be said to be connected with the operation of tracks. One is the secretary of a track that has not given a meeting in several years, one was a commissioner of one of our large state fairs and while removed from office by change in party some time ago will likely be put back on the fair board now that his party is again in power; two are presidents of Grand Circuit tracks and one is president of an association of county fairs in Ohio. Of the remaining eighteen officers and Board members, one is a breeder on a large scale and two others are breeders on a smaller scale. There is not a single one of the entire number that lends any considerable activity or connection with the actual racing of the horses. By this I mean maintaining a campaigning stable. Of the fifteen men composing the district boards, the Eastern, Atlantic, Central, Southern and Western, ten are men selected by Secretary Gocher and put into office by his efforts. The all-powerful proxy has permitted the secretary to proceed in his schemes to the detriment of the Association and the entire industry and this in the face of strong resentment from the more efficient and stronger individual members.

There is no tenable criticism to be made of Secretary Gocher's ability and I doubt if one could be found who could conduct the affairs of this secretary's office in as efficient and as complete a way as is done by him. It is when he attempts to direct the affairs and control the operation of the machine itself that he falls down, and he has brought odium to the industry and to the sport by playing peanut politics in order that he might hamper the operations of the rival association, The American.

With all this inside friction to the machine we have been making little headway—and if improvement does not come soon, something will come along and butt the whole works to the side of the road, while the passengers already belated and harassed will be injured still more. Some one probably will charge that this is a case of "sour grapes" and that I have attempted to jacket the Association because I was some years ago fired from its Board. I am frank to admit that there is no pleasant feeling between Major Johnson, Secretary Gocher and myself, but aside from a surprise at the time, I never harbored any ill-feeling for having been fired. What I have written is mild and does not by any means cover the ground. Some of the inside history of the National Trotting Association would create a surprise if written but to write it would do no good and might do harm.

However, it cannot do harm to call attention in a mild way to the wrong that is being done our breeding and track interests through the friction and fighting of the two parent Associations. It should be stopped and the good and wise men in each Association should interest themselves enough in the matter to see that this friction is removed and that the two Associations be put together.

The future success of horse interests demands it. Every breeder, track owner, horseman or horse owner demands it.—H. K. Devereux, in the Breeders' Journal.

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BREEDING THE BLACK BASS.

In recent years much progress has been made in the breeding of black bass and the stocking of waters in which this fish has hitherto been almost a stranger. At considerable cost in money and expert energy the breeding of the black bass has been put on a practical and satisfactory basis for Federal and State culture. It is now a question of enlarging the field of bass culture so as to include the breeding of this excellent fish by individual landowners, writes C. J. Dittmar in the Country Gentleman.

There is no fish ranking with the black bass that will lend itself so readily to private culture. This is so because it is hardy, prolific and suited to a great variety of waters. It thrives in clear spring-water ponds that maintain a low temperature and also does well in ponds of creek water that have a low winter and a high summer temperature. Though it likes good gravel and sand bottom in the waters it frequents, it does not despise mud.

On nearly all country places of reasonable size there is some water that may be profitably used for the cultivation of the black bass. Unlike many other fish the black bass does not respond to the artificial methods of the modern hatchery. The spawn of the female cannot be taken and fertilized with the milt of the male and then be hatched in trays or jars by the operation of running water. The fish must therefore be bred in artificial ponds resembling somewhat their natural habitat.

Of first importance in the making of a black bass plant is the selection of the water supply. Many good bass breeders dislike spring-water brooks or large springs as a source of supply. On the other hand equally good bass breeders prefer to take their water supply from springs or spring brooks.

One objection that is frequently raised against a water supply from springs is that it lacks the nourishment furnished by creek and lake waters. The objection is valid, but it is, after all, of but little consequence. In artificial bass culture no water will furnish a sufficient amount of food. The bass must be fed artificially. The overhead expense of feeding twice a week is but a trifle less than feeding three times a week, so that the objection to spring water because of its lack of nourishment has not much weight.

Spring-water ponds furnish some food for bass, such as frogs, crayfish, and minute life that breeds in the weeds that grow in the shallow water. Lake and creek waters used for bass ponds furnish the same food to be found in spring-water ponds and, in addition, a quantity of other microscopic creatures that come from the territory drained by such water.

Springs and spring brooks have many advantages for bass ponds over ordinary creek and lake waters. For one thing the supply is regular and the temperature is more even, being some degrees higher than other water in winter and lower in summer. The supply of spring water is more easily controlled than the supply from other sources. Lakes and creeks that drain a large territory get wild in the spring and very often get beyond control. Moreover, at such times the water is roily, and for that reason is more or less objectionable.

As a rule there is a good fall on all spring brooks, and a proper amount of fall is essential to the control of bass ponds. Where ponds are on the same level they cannot be emptied except by artificial force, whereas when there is suitable fall a group of three or four ponds may be emptied separately or collectively by gravity.

When a spring brook or a number of springs have been selected as a source of supply, the ponds should be so arranged that the circulation will always be under control. If there are four ponds and these follow each other directly down stream, the water is likely to be too cold during the hatching season. Moreover, at this time, the less circulation in the breeding pond the better. It is essential, therefore, that the breeding pond be made on the side of the current, getting its water supply from the overflow from the stream. When the pond is filled the overflow can be stopped.

A good arrangement of four ponds on a spring stream is to make a pond of about two or three acres, to be used as a holding pond for mature fish. This pond should be about ten feet deep in the middle with a gradual slope to the banks, where the water may be from one to two feet deep.

From this pond the water should fall anywhere from three to six feet into a pond of less than half an acre in size. This pond should be shallow along the banks, with a depth of from six to eight feet in the middle. The water in this pond will get good aeration because of the fall and will on account of its size be of a higher temperature than the large pond above. While the upper pond will be suited to mature fish, the second pond will be useful for holding fish from the time they are yearlings until they are two years old.

The nursery pond, the third in line, need not be so large or so deep as the second pond. The fall coming into this pond may be anywhere from one foot to four feet. Some fall is necessary to the successful control of the pond and for aerating the water. Into this pond the fry are put as soon as they are taken from the breeding pond and should be kept there until the next season, when they should be taken out to make room for the new fry.

The breeding pond should be about an acre in size and should be built somewhere on the side of the other ponds, from which its water supply should come. The arrangement of this pond must depend upon the topography of the land. It should be enough below the upper pond so that water may be carried into it through a six-inch pipe. This pipe should be covered at the supply and the discharge ends with suitable copper screens. Another pipe should be put into this pond, leading into either the lower nursery pond or into the stream below. With these two pipes properly arranged the pond may be filled or emptied at will.

For a private estate the following pond arrangement should prove satisfactory: For the breeding pond, about twenty-five pairs of bass will be sufficient to produce between 200,000 and 300,000 fry. Not all of this number will be captured in the breeding ponds. After they have been transferred to the nursery pond many will be lost during the first year.

These little fellows are great cannibals, and when they meet their smaller brothers or sisters they do not hesitate to make a meal of them. Even after they have become yearlings they prey upon each other. There will be plenty of yearling fry left, however, to stock the two-year-olds' pond, and more than enough from this pond to supply the large pond where the mature fish are held.

In the latitude of Northern Illinois the black bass begin to spawn about the middle of May and continue until late in June. The small-mouthed bass likes to deposit her eggs on a gravel bed, but the large-mouthed variety appears to prefer a good clay bottom among the grasses and weeds not far from the shore.

When spawning time arrives the bass hunt about in pairs for suitable places to make nests. Where a gravel heap is chosen the fish use their caudal fins to form the nests and polish the pebbles.

When all is ready the female swims over the nest and deposits her eggs; the male following behind, deposits his milt over the spawn.

No fish shows more unselfish devotion to the hatching of its eggs than does the bass. In the watchfulness kept over its nest and the courage displayed in protecting it from intruders the bass is peculiar.

During the hatching period, which requires from one to two weeks, according to the temperature, one parent bass hovers over the nest, fanning the water gently with its fins, while its mate circulates about in the vicinity of the nest, ready to make war on any intruder.

As soon as the fry are hatched they rise in a school. During the period when they rise and fall back on the nest daily, the parent bass circle about, whipping back any truant disposed to break away from the family school.

In a week, all things favorable, the school breaks and the young fish scatter along the shore in the shallow water among the weeds and grasses, where they find microscopic life upon which they live. When the school breaks the parent bass drive the stragglers to the shore. Then the parent fish go away and all parental affection ceases.

Young bass appear to be hungry the greater part of the time, but they are often particular about their food. Once they get the habit of eating artificially prepared food they are likely to gorge themselves if they are given the opportunity. It is, therefore, wise to feed them a little and often. When they first leave the nest they should be fed very small quantities of thoroughly ground crayfish six or eight times a day. Later they may be fed twice a day with this same food and such minute aquatic life as may be captured with a net.

Old bass should be fed, except in winter, about three times a week on crayfish and minnows. In well-arranged bass ponds there is a great deal of natural food to be found in the shallow water among the grasses and other aquatic plants. Anything from a bug or a frog to a snake suits the appetite of a black bass.

In the northern latitudes the black bass seeks the deep water in cold weather, where it remains dormant until spring. Hence it is essential that mature bass find deep water in the ponds for their winter home.

As between the large-mouthed and the small-mouthed bass the latter should be given preference where the ponds are supplied with running spring water. This variety does not grow quite so large as the large-mouthed bass, but it is regarded as the gamer and better table fish. It likes clear water, sandy or gravel bottoms and a good current. Though the large-mouthed bass will do well in such surroundings, it will also thrive in sluggish water and clay-bottom ponds.

THE ANIMALS AT THE PANAMA-PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION.

One of the most surprising features of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, to one who stops to investigate, is the importance of the part which is played in the Exposition by animals. Exclusive of the formal live stock showing, which makes up one of the principal divisions of the Exposition proper, a great variety of animals will be found in every part of the grounds, aiding, in numerous directions, in purveying entertainment and furnishing diversion for Exposition visitors—which in reality is the final Exposition purpose.

In the numerous enterprises that compose the "Zone"—as the amusement street is called—about 4,000 animals will be found. But even before these show animals were brought to the grounds the animal population of the exposition had taken on interesting proportions. No sooner had the great exhibit palaces been constructed than a number of uninvited wild visitors of a particularly objectionable species took up their abode therein. Some of them have been dislodged. Their eviction was accomplished with considerable difficulty after several months of persuasion, intimidation and subterfuges in the shape of bait and traps.

Following the skunks came a miniature invasion of rats, who fed upon the remains of workmen's luncheons, and for a while lived in luxury. Their occupation was short, however, and their disappearance furnished an excellent example of the "survival of the fittest." It must have been noised about the city that the exposition offered good feline hunting grounds, for there was shortly an incursion of cats, and the rats vanished. Many of the cats have remained in the buildings, and some of them have been made pets by the exposition guards quartered in the various parts of the grounds.

During the construction period a workman employed on the 435-foot Tower of Jewels brought two pet coons to the grounds. The pair made their escape, and since the completion of the tower have made their home in the dark recesses of the network of steel beams that forms its frame. All efforts to locate and banish them have failed.

Nearly all of the fifty-odd State and Foreign buildings that are included in the exposition have pet animals among their inhabitants, and in many cases the animals have been brought from the state or country represented. Australia, for example, has brought a family of kangaroos and several other original inhabitants of the South Pacific Commonwealth to the exposition. The Canadian building has a pool of water that affords a first-rate home for a trio of live beavers. A related family dwells in the Idaho building, which also contains a number of other denizens of the mountains of that State.

Flocks of pigeons form a definite part of the exposition color scheme, and greatly enhance its Oriental character. Several thousand of them are cooped in the upper parts of the great arches that mark the western and eastern entrance of the Court of the Universe.

The animal part of the Zone is large enough to stock a well-filled zoo. There is a large space devoted to an animal show, with the usual lions, tigers, leopards and familiar animals of the circus, while the 101 Wild West Show supplied several hundred creatures of appropriate variety. The Alligator Farm contains nearly three thousand specimens of alligators and crocodiles of all sizes, a flock of pelicans, herons, snake birds, eagles, horse-shoe crabs, sea turtles, some raccoons, and three trained sea-cows. In the Submarines concessions is a troupe of trained sea lions that follow the big steel boats under water. Their antics are visible through portholes of the submarines.

In the Principality of Toyland Grown Up, a $1,000,000 enterprise that comprises a whole amusement park within itself, will be found any number of animals, from the trained-flea circus to the troupes of trained reindeer, ponies, donkeys, dogs, sheep, monkeys and goats. Incidentally the monkeys are to be seen performing in a sketch entitled "A Night in a Monkey Music Hall."

The South Pole concession, which portrays Captain Scott's expedition to the Antarctic, has several wolf dogs, penguins and other animals brought from that region. Of special interest to the little folk are the four storks that promenade with great dignity in front of the Baby Incubators building or perch on the chimneys thereof. These birds were brought from Holland especially for exhibition at the exposition.

In the Australasian, Hawaiian and Samoan villages are to be found numerous animals indigenous to the countries represented, while on the slopes and crags of the "mountains" that form backgrounds for a number of concessions are painted goats, deer, coyotes, mountain lions and the like, that lend animation to the scene. In the same category might be included the various animals of strange or natural shape, as the case may be, that help to make up the sculptural decoration of the exposition. Camels, elephants, horses, giraffes, lions, bear, wolf, oxen, porpoises, all contribute to the "travertine" menagerie, as it has been called, imitation travertine marble being the principal building material employed in the exterior construction of the exposition.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

INTERSTATE TOURNAMENT.

The fourth annual registered tournament of the California-Nevada Trapshooters' Association will be held under the auspices of the Golden Gate Gun Club, at the West Alameda trap grounds, August 5, 6 and 7. The dates were secured from the Interstate Association, through Tournament Manager Elmer E. Shaner, who was in this city last week, at a meeting of the gun club officials and prominent bay counties trapshooters.

The Interstate Association will hang up seven trophies for the seven high guns in the Interstate Association's Amateur State Championship, the feature match of the three-day tourney. The winner of the State championship will be eligible to shoot at the Grand American Handicap tournament at Chicago next month, in the national championship match, and draw down a $50 purse when he joins the gun bugs at Chicago. The secondary feature of the local tournament will be the California-Nevada handicap race at 100 targets. George Stall of Winnemucca, Nev., won this event in 1913, 95 out of 100 birds, at 18 yards. Last year, at Modesto, Tony Prior, 21 yards, 91 out of 100, was the winner.

The importance of this tournament in the eyes of gun club members of the association can be readily understood when it is known that a purse of $1500 will be distributed to winning shooters in the different matches each day. Besides the money prizes there are nine valuable trophies that will be shot for. These prizes require an individual three-time win to acquire permanent ownership.

The trophies were hung up several years ago when the Ingleside grounds were in vogue. Numerous individual wins were made at different tournaments. All of those prior wins, however, were chalked off when the Pacific Coast Blue Rock Association was organized and the trophies were started off again at Sacramento in 1912. The second shoot took place at Reno, under the auspices of the Reno Gun Club, the following year, the name of the organization was then changed to the present title. The third tournament was held in Modesto, under the auspices of the Owl Rod and Gun Club last year.

The winners, under the new regime, to date are the following:

Hunter Arms Company, Vase—Frank Merrill of Stockton, George Stall of Winnemucca, and G. H. Anderson of San Jose.

Grand Cup—B. H. Worthen, Harry Ogelvie of Lindsay, and Tony Prior.

Sorenson Diamond Medal—W. H. Varien of Pacific Grove, W. E. Staunton of Winnemucca, Judge E. A. Ducker of Reno.

Peters Cup—R. H. Bungay of Long Beach, O. N. Ford of San Jose, Frank M. Newbert of Sacramento.

Du Pont Shield—George Wingfield of Reno, Frank Leonard of Reno, J. F. Couts of San Diego.

Ballistite Cup—Harry Ogelvie, W. E. Staunton, twice.

Dick Reed Trophy—F. M. Newbert, W. E. Staunton, and Harry Ogelvie.

Roos Bros. Diamond Fob—W. E. Staunton, Judge E. A. Ducker, Theo. Handman of Oakland.

Hunter Arms Trophy, No. 2—W. H. Varien, O. N. Ford.

BEGINNERS' DAY SHOOT.

Through the Du Pont Beginners' Day Shoot, in which all gun clubs are invited to participate, it is hoped to accomplish two purposes: first, to secure for the sport of trapshooting publicity for the events held at local clubs throughout the country; and, second, to establish, as it were, a national get-together-day for sportsmen and shooters, at which time those desiring to become affiliated with trapshooting clubs will have an opportunity of doing so under most favorable auspices.

The national publicity for trapshooting that has been secured through efforts in the sporting periodicals, general magazines and the newspapers, has interested thousands of lovers of the great out-of-doors in trapshooting, who need but little encouragement to become active members of gun clubs and regular participants in the "sport alluring."

In every community where trapshooting is now enjoyed there are many such prospective trapshooters, and to assist the officials of active and deserving clubs in interesting them in a way that will prove mutually beneficial, is the aim of the Beginners' Day Shoot.

New members in any club will mean a new lease on life for the club, because, in addition to enjoying the sport of trapshooting, they will have new ideas and an abundance of enthusiasm which are most valuable assets to any organization.

Should the interest in the first annual Beginners' Day Shoot warrant doing so, it is the intention to make the affair an annual event. At any rate, every trapshooting club should have at least one "beginners' day" each year, not only with the idea of increasing the membership and thereby greatly benefiting the club, but also that the many sportsmen who are not now trapshooters will feel impelled to make an effort to become acquainted with the best of all out-of-door pastimes trapshooting -and with some of the best sportsmen to be found anywhere—trapshooters.

To every trapshooting club holding a Beginners' Day Shoot under the rules suggested by us, we will agree to provide a suitable trophy to be awarded the beginner making the high score at the shoot.

This trophy will be a handsome bronze watch fob of a suitable design, the medallion of which will portray in shooting pose the figure of Mr. Jack Fanning, of New York, greatest of all instructors in the art of trapshooting. Mr. Fanning has for years advocated the use of the try-gun to determine the dimensions of guns to meet individual requirements of sportsmen, and so help them to improve their scores, and consequently increase their enjoyment of the game. Mr. Fanning is also known the country over as the first man to thoroughly appreciate the possibilities for real pleasure and enjoyment existing in the "Hand Trap," and for years has been a most enthusiastic exponent of hand-trap shooting. In view of his past activities and interest along these lines, it is most fitting that his name be associated with the Du Pont First Annual Beginners' Day Shoot.

In addition to the trophy presented to the beginner in each club making the high score in this shoot, there will be presented, by the Du Pont Powder Company, a loving-cup trophy to each of the 100 trapshooting clubs having the greatest number of actual beginners participating in the Beginners' Day Shoot, to be shot for under such rules and conditions as may be determined upon by the clubs receiving same.

All trapshooting clubs are eligible to hold a Beginners' Day Shoot and compete for the Du Pont Beginners' Day Trophy.



To receive a trophy a club shall have at least five beginners competing.

Beginners only, viz., men and women who have never shot at clay targets previous to the Beginners' Day Shoot, shall be eligible to win the trophy.

The Beginners' Day trophy event shall consist of at least 25 targets. This event may be shot in five (5) target events in two 10 and one 5-target event, or in any other way that may seem advisable, but it shall comprise 25 targets.

Contestants shall not be allowed to shoot practice events prior to the shooting of the Beginners' Day event.

The beginner making the high actual score shall be awarded the Du Pont Beginners' Day Trophy.

The Beginners' Day shoots may be held any time during the month of August. This will give all clubs desiring to hold Beginners' Day shoots ample opportunity to make the necessary arrangements and to work up the shoots in such a manner to insure them being highly successful.

Applications for trophies will be received up to July 31. No application bearing a postmark of a date later than July 29 will be considered, as we must have a few days in which to complete the final arrangements. Trophies for the Beginners' Day Shoot will be ready for distribution about July 15.

Clubs receiving Beginners' Day trophies must agree to furnish the Du Pont Powder Company with a report of the shoot for same, giving the name and address of each contestant on blanks supplied by it for the purpose.

At the Traps

Time Wasted—Anent the recent death in the big war of Grand Duke Michalovitch, brother-in-law of the Czar, the story of how Annie Oakley once divorced the duke from a fat wad of kopeks is worth telling. It happened in 1889 at the Paris Exposition. The Paris Gun Club, of which the great Oakley girl was an honorary member, were entertaining a number of kings, dukes, m'luds and women of nobility, when the grand duke offered to shoot Frank Butler a match. Butler was a wise old owl and chucked it, because he knew the grand duke was quite a blooie dooie artist, but offered to back his wife (Annie Oakley). Well, the match was made and what Annie handed the Czar's relative was like Salvator trimming Tenny—the same being a gorgeous lacing. The head of the house of Rothschild, richer even than the Standard Oil mag., was present and opined that some of Sister Oakley's exhibition rifle shooting must have a trick in it, to prove which he threw up his watch, which watch cost more than a thousand washers. There was no watchful waiting by Annie, b'gosh! and yet Annie wasted time, for when the rifle cracked, she "got" the whole works. Quite a timely blooie. History doesn't record that Plutocrat Rothschild gave the Americano senora a wad, or a watch, but it does mention that the titled ginks present grabbed His Richness, slammed him down onto the tender green grass and rolled him for the drinks—bubbling waters, of course. Annie certainly had a fine time in the olden days and Grand Duke Michalovitch wasn't the only hombre she "showed."

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Live Bird Shoot.—Trout streams and deer coverts put a kink in the attendance of wing shots at the California Wing Shooting Club's monthly pigeon shoot July 4 at Sobrante. Pete Walsh led the trigger pullers with a score of 35 out of 36 birds trapped during the day. Captain DeBray, Toney Prior and Ted Riley were each a bird behind Walsh.

Toney Prior (32 yards), Ted Riley (28 yards) and Walsh (27 yards) each scored a straight dozen birds in the club medal match. Clarence Nauman (32 yards) and Walsh (27 yards) divided first and second money in the club purse match.

Two six-bird pool shoots made up the balance of the day's programme. Ten straight scores in both matches cut down the money division materially. Results for the day follow:

Medal match, twelve birds, distance handicap, high guns:—

T. D. Riley	28	yds.	1122	2222	2221—12
Toney Prior	32	"	1121	1221	2222—12
P. Walsh	27	"	1121	1121	1212—12
Capt. A. W. Du Bray	32	"	2222	2122	2220—11
J. G. Sweeney	27	"	1121	1121	1221—11
E. L. Hoag	32	"	2212	2022	2022—10
C. C. Nauman	31	"	0112	1221	1021—10

Purse match, twelve birds, $50 added, distance handicap, high guns:

C. C. Nauman	32	yds.	1211	1111	2111—12
P. J. Walsh	27	"	1111	1111	1211—12
Capt. A. W. Du Bray	29	"	2211	1101	1122—11
E. L. Hoag	29	"	2021	1212	2212—11
Toney Prior	32	"	1221	1202	1221—11
J. G. Sweeney	28	"	2211	2121	0211—11
T. D. Riley	29	"	2022	2202	2221—10
Northcott	30	"	0100	2100	0110— 5
Thompson	30	"	0011	0011	2111— 6

Six-bird pool, thirty yards' rise:

Du Bray	1	1	2	1	2	1—6
Hoag	2	2	2	1	1	2—6
Nauman	1	1	1	2	1	1—6
Prior	1	1	1	1	2	2—6
Riley	2	2	2	1	2	2—6
Walsh	1	1	1	1	1	2—6
Northcott	1	2	0	2	2	2—5
Thompson	1	1	0	2	1	0—4
Sweeney	1	1	0	2	0	1—4

Six-bird pool, thirty yards' rise:

Riley	2	2	1	2	2	2—6
Nauman	1	2	2	2	1	2—6
Hoag	2	2	2	2	2	2—6
Du Bray	2	1	2	1	1	1—6
Walsh	2	1	1	1	1	0—5
Prior	1	2	1	2	2	0—5

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Gaden City Traps.—Clem Arques won the 100-target handicap shoot at the San Jose Blue Rock Club in the Sunday Fourth of July shoot. G. H. Anderson took first prize in the doubles event and Louie Baumgartner brought the honors home in the Hercules handicap of 150 birds.

The following are the scores:

San Jose handicap—Clem Arques 82, added 18, total 100; A. F. Baumgartner 95-7—100; E. C. Smith 83-18—100; O. N. Ford 96-3—99; George H. Anderson 92-5—97; C. H. Nash 89-5—94; Mrs. Ada Schilling 84-9—93; Dr. A. M. Barker 85-5—90; Carl Schilling 81-9—90.

Hercules handicap—Louie Baumgartner 141, added 12, total 150; E. W. Jack 137-15—150; Mrs. Ada Schilling 134-15—149; O. N. Ford 141-8—149.

Doubles, 12 pairs—G. H. Anderson 22, Mrs. Ada Schilling 20, Dr. Barker 20, O. N. Ford 19, A. F. Baumgartner 18, C. H. Nash 17.

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"Pull!"—A score of blue rock shooters indulged in practice shooting at the Golden Gate trap grounds, West Alameda station, Saturday afternoon. Among the powder burners was Lester H. Reid of Seattle, professional high average trap shot, on registered targets, for the United States during 1914.

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T. E. Doremus of Wilmington, Del., a prominent member of the Dupont Gun Club, arrived in town last week en route for San Diego.

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Elmer E. Shaner left last week for San Diego, where he will manage the Pacific Coast handicap three-day tournament, July 8, 9 and 10.

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It is anticipated that there will be a record attendance at San Diego for a Coast trap shoot this week. Among local knights of the trigger who will be in attendance are: Clarence A. Haight, T. D. Riley, Toney Prior, Tom Wilkes, G. W. Wilkes, F. Wilkes, Roy Avery, J. S. French, W. B. Stadfeldt, Captain A. W. DuBray, Hugh E. Poston, J. G. Heath, Charles H. Knight, Dick Reed, Fred Willet, and others.

From near-by points the following were counted on to go south: Andy Flickinger of Vallejo, H. R. Phinney of Berkeley, "Bud" Havens and A. N. Howard of Oakland, Fred K. Burnham, Martinez; O. N. Ford, L. Baumgartner, Mrs. Ada Schilling, C. A. Nash, San Jose; W. P. Sears, Los Banos; Dave Ruhstaller, Sacramento; Henry Garrison, Modesto; Charley Huber, Newman; H. Plasket, Lindsay; H. R. Everding, president of the Portland Gun Club, P. J. Holohan and D. Holohan, Portland, Ore.; Lester H. Reid, Seattle; T. E. Doremus, Wilmington, Del.; George Wingfield, Reno; C. A. Sage, Goldfield; Frank C. Riehl, Tacoma; E. M. Sweeley, Twin Falls, Ida., and others—an aggregation of shotgun talent that are expected to do some tall clay pigeon shooting.

Fish Lines

Favorable reports from mountain trout streams and Sierra lakes started an army of anglers from this city last week, all bent on taking advantage of a holiday outing.

Just what sport was expected at various resorts may be inferred from the reports. From Boca, Truckee and other points along the Truckee river, fly-fishing is now better than at any time since the season opened. A large delegation of local anglers last Saturday joined the rodsters who have been taking an outing at Boca.

Near Union Mills, Charles H. Kewell, Walter D. Mansfeld, John Seibe, F. Fitzpatrick and other members of the San Francisco Fly-Casting Club were at the club lodge. Monday the floodgates at the Lake Tahoe dam were opened for a short time. The result was that upper Truckee anglers caught nearly fifty Loch Leven trout, fish scaling from three to five pounds. E. S. Heller of this city was among the anglers who took advantage of the situation at that time. E. P. Masterson, Ralph Friedman and Dr. H. Abrams joined the Truckee delegation for a week's or more fly-fishing. Trolling in both Donner and Independence lakes has been producing splendid results.

At Sims and other upper Sacramento river-fishing resorts, the sport has been very good. Walter Matthews, D. Turner, W. D. Cooper and other Sacramento river experts have landed numerous baskets of trout.

Ernest Schaeffle, W. H. Shebley and N. B. Schofield, Fish and Game Commission officials, returned from a week's inspection trip of Rising river, Hat creek, Burning creek, Clarke's creek, Big Canyon creek, Pitt river, Fall river, Tule creek and the upper McCloud. Trout fishing was generally poor, and fish taken were small. The McCloud was muddy. Hat creek will not be fishable for years. During the recent Mount Lassen eruption thousands of trout were picked up by the Indians.

Frank Maskey recently fished Bartlett and Cache creeks, in the vicinity of Bartlett Springs. While these streams still hold plenty of water, he made catches of eight to ten inch trout, and also larger fish, up to one and a half pounds. The sport will be somewhat better in those creeks for fly-whipping about the end of July.

The Big and Little Stony, in the vicinity of Fouts Springs, are considered good creeks at this time of the year.

Cisco is a point convenient to good fishing places along the Yuba, and the north and middle forks of the American river. Floyd Judah, Dr. Hopkins and J. Bromfield left for Cisco to stay over the Fourth. Will Fisher and Al Tallant are making a ten day's stay in that region. Dr. and Mrs. F. Burgess are there for a two weeks' outing.

Recent reports from Yosemite valley indicate that the Merced river and creeks in the floor of the valley are somewhat too high for good fly fishing. In the south fork of the Merced, near Wawona, however, the sport is better. Trout running from six to twelve inches seemed to well fancy brown hackle flies when E. F. Tulk and party were there a week ago. Trout, scaling one and two pounds, were numerous in the big pools, but paid no attention to fly inducements—too much bottom food probably. Fair fishing can be enjoyed in Merced lake at present.

Feather river advices are encouraging for the July angler. Near Blairsden, fishing in the river and creeks is very good. Lake fishing is excellent. Near Johnsville, in the lakes, trout "are rising beautifully to the fly." The oak, coachman, royal coachman, blue bottle and black flies are the killers for rainbow. Loch Leven and Eastern brook trout—averaging from ten inches up to a pound in weight. The larger trout seem to fancy the spinning spoon.

The river and creeks in the vicinity of Belden are low and clear. Fly and bait fishing are both productive of trout. The spinning spoon and live grasshoppers are both fine lures in the early morning and evening. At Big Bar fine sport has kept many anglers busy. Nothing doing at Keddie, but very good fishing in the Big Meadows waters, mostly trolling, where W. W. Smith will fish during the holiday period. Moe Uri banks on good fishing at Quincy during a few days' visit. Near Camp Rodgers several local anglers have been catching daily limits with fly patterns. The water is now and clear and weather very agreeable.

Off for a fortnight's fishing in the Williamson river, in Oregon, are William Berg, Charles McIntosh, Osgood and Robert Hooker. W. Davis, J. B. Schofield and H. Lindsay are just back from that fishing resort. They report fishing but fair during their visit. Alex Vogelsang, Lindsey Scrutten, John McGowan and other local sportsmen are still in camp at Silvas. Joel Harlan, Nat Boas, Ned Bosqui and J. B. Coleman were dissatisfied with Spring creek and shifted over to Wood river without finding much improvement in angling conditions. The Williamson and branches are evidently late this year. The anglers are counting on a decided improvement in conditions by the middle of the month—by which time the big five and six pound trout will run up stream from Klamath lake.

The rooms of the California Anglers' Association were well filled by jolly anglers and their friends on Wednesday evening of last week, at which time one of the series in a prize whist tournament was the feature of the gathering.

Purissima creek, down the San Mateo shore, produced nice baskets of trout for Al Wright and a friend last Sunday.

Recent developments in striped bass fishing were strong enough to tempt every rodster away to his favorite fishing resort during the holidays. Wingo seems to have had the call on the best results in the sport. Frank Holland landed an 18 and a 20-pound bass one day, and followed that nice catch Sunday with three bass that scaled 25, 22 and 10 pounds, respectively. Jack Hannah also connected with two large fish and landed them. Another fisherman was credited with capturing a 35-pounder. The Garbarino Club made a combined catch of three carelss striped fish, Charley Renaud's being the heaviest. Hugh Copeland fished near the Wingo drawbridge nearly all day. He had one strike and a run by what was evidently a large bass—but the fish did not stay to get acquainted with the fisherman. Tim Lynch landed two good sized bass. All of which is indicative that there is a run of bass on now in the Wingo creeks and sloughs.

Near Black Point four good sized bass were taken by Harry Mence, Stanley Herman also landed a 11 and a 20-pound striped bass. Farther up Petaluma creek, near the "twin houses," about 15 bass were taken Sunday. Billy Augstein is credited with three bass. Another rodster caught two 10-pounders. Among the San Antone regulars out were: Frank Marcus, Emil Accret, Hugh C. Draper, Gus Christianson and others.

Corte Madera creek, near Greenbrae, may be worth attention, for a 10 and a 20-pound bass were caught in the creek. Across the bay, in the estuary, near the Fruitvale power house, many small sized striped bass have been caught during the past two weeks. The run is a large one, and the fish like clam baits.

A run of striped bass is reported in the lower bay, near the Newark bridge. Even so, the stingrays are so thick there as to make fishing an infliction instead of a recreation.

In the "white house pool" and the "big fill," near Point Reyes, good catches of medium sized striped bass have been made by Jim Andrews, James Black, young Tom Irving and others.

Near Oroville, in the Feather river, striped bass are also plentiful. A party of seven fished near Hazelbush and caught 46 fish, running from three to seven pounds.

Russian river, near Duncans, is reported to be full of both striped and black bass. For that matter, these varieties are also rather numerous many miles further up the river. The striped bass have been feeding on smelt and other small fry, that came in from the ocean when the bar was open. Now that the bar is closed again and the supply of small fish steadily decreasing, there should be some fine striped bass fishing available. The season for black bass in Russian river opened July 1. Harry Palmer, who shifted recently from the Wingo striped bass haunts to Russian river, has been enjoying splendid salt-water fishing. Saturday, when a phenomenally low tide prevailed, he gathered a number of gigantic abalones and some exceptionally large mussels.

Ed Schultz, George Klarmann, Charley Breidenstein and F. B. Lathrop spent the holidays at the ark of the Middle River Bass Club, where black bass fishing still holds good, according to Louis Gotthelf's Saturday and Sunday experience.

FIXTURES.

Interstate Association Tournaments—

July 8, 9, 10—The Interstate Association's Tenth Pacific Coast Handicap Tournament, San Diego, Cal., under the auspices of the Pastime Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Pacific Coast Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

August 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chicago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy, and the winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

July 9, 10—Gem City Gun Club, Max Welck, Secretary, Laramie, Wyo.

July 12—Rawlins Rod and Gun Club, H. Breitenstein, Secretary, Rawlins, Wyo.

July 12, 13, 14—Los Angeles Gun Club, Fred H. Teeple, Secretary, Venice, Cal.

July 19, 20, 21, 22—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary, Tacoma, Wash.

July 24—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, W. S. Short, Secretary, Chehalis, Wash.

July 28, 29—Delta County Gun Club, Nick Powell and R. A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

August 10—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

Eureka Shoot.—The Eureka Blue Rock Gun Club registered shoot, July 5, drew an attendance of over thirty shooters. Six 20 bird and two 15 bird events were shot—150 targets. H. A. Hine 139 and R. V. Falk 137 were high guns. The scores will appear next week, being received too late for this issue.

PINTAIL DUCKS IN CALIFORNIA.

[By Harold C. Bryant.]

The pintail or sprig duck is not only one of the commonest ducks in California during the winter season, but is among the largest ducks and one of those most desirable as food. This duck is almost cosmopolitan, being found throughout the northern hemisphere. It breeds throughout the northern part of Europe and migrates south in winter to Northern Africa and Southern Asia. In North America it breeds most abundantly from North Dakota to the Arctic Ocean and Alaska. During the winter season it moves southward and is to be found widely distributed throughout the southern United States and Mexico. In California the pintail is both a resident duck and a winter visitant. By far the greater number, however, belong to the latter category. Although primarily a fresh water duck, the pintail is often to be found along the coast on the brackish marshes.

Whether resting on the water or in flight the pintail duck may be recognized by its large size and by its long, graceful neck. The male may be distinguished by its long middle tail feathers, dark brown head with a white stripe on sides of neck, pale rufous wingbar and pure white under parts. The female, although much like a female mallard, is readily distinguished by the dull brownish speculum, the more slender, pointed tail, and the long neck. The mellow whistle of the drake and the hoarse, muffled "quack" of the duck is so rarely given that the voice can seldom be used for identification in the field. A habit of "slanting in" to a pond with wings set is a field mark used by almost every hunter.

Each year some individuals of this species remain and breed within the State, although most of these ducks go far north of California to nest. The past summer the writer found this species at Los Banos, Merced county, and at Live Oak, Sutter county, and there are a number of other places where they are known to breed regularly. The pintail was reported as being the commonest breeding duck at Tulare lake in 1907. Five to eight eggs are laid the last of April or the first of May. The nest itself is seldom more than a hollow in the dry grass and down, and is usually less well concealed than that of other ducks, often being placed in grass not more than six inches high. A heavy layer of dark gray down covers the eggs, while the female parent is away from the nest. The young are to be found from the middle of May until August. They are cared for entirely by the female.

Pintails fly very fast, at a great height, and often in V formation. When "slanting in" to a pond a distinct whistling noise made by the wings can be heard at quite a distance. The birds gather in flocks of as high as fifty in number, and when flushed crowd close together, thus making good "pot shots." On the water this species sits high and swims gracefully. Although the pintail does not resort to diving for the purpose of securing food, yet it does dive readily and swims for long distances under water when wounded.

The food of the pintail is made up very largely of vegetable matter—weed and grass seeds. In some places in California pintails feed extensively on snails. Like the mallard, they enjoy gleaning in the grain fields. Seeds of ditch grass, pond weed, knot weed and bullrush seem to be favorites in this State.

As a table duck the pintail ranks with the mallard and canvasback both as regards size and flavor. Consequently it is a favorite with hunters. When it first arrives in California, it is uniformly fat and of fine flavor, usually having taken the first chance to become grain fattened.

The number of pintails sold in the markets suggest that this is one of the species which can not long exist in numbers if something is not done to conserve more of the breeding stock. Over forty thousand pintails were sold in the markets of San Francisco alone during the season of 1910-11. The constant diminution of numbers to be seen from year to year is convincing evidence that the breeding stock is being seriously crippled. The old idea that so long as ducks were protected on their breeding grounds they would continue to appear in normal numbers has been proved incorrect. The survival of many of our game birds can only be assured by more rigid protection than they now receive. It is only when the annual toll properly balances with the normal rate of reproduction that a species is able to hold its own. Particular attention needs to be given those birds like the pintail and mallard, which breed within our State and for which we are responsible the year round.

Rem-UMC Notes.

Leon Davis won the New England Handicap Championship, at Hartford, Conn., with a score of 92x100 and 20 straight in the shoot-off. He shot Nitro Club shells in this event, and also in winning the high over all average for the day, scoring 187x200.

F. A. Weatherhead of Billings, Mont., won high amateur average at the Montana State Shoot, shooting a Remington-UMC pump gun and Nitro Club shells, scoring 598x630. This is the third consecutive time Mr. Weatherhead has won either this event or the State Championship.

An interesting shoot was staged recently at Round Lake, Ill. W. V. Jackson, shooting a Remington pump gun and Nitro Club Steel Lined Speed Shells, won the meet with 97x100.

THE JERSEY ISLAND SPRING SHOWS.

Instead of being an interested spectator at the Channel Islands' May shows, as has been my wont for the last few years, here I am in a little town situated within the zone of military operations, but about 60 kilometers from the firing line. I regret that circumstances are such as would render my visit to the Channel Islands impossible at this time, all the more so as my trip there this year would perhaps have been the last for many years to come. However, force of habit becomes very strong, even to a mere reporter of agricultural and live stock events, and, although my role at present keeps me vegetating here, I thought perhaps some of your readers would like to know something about what is happening in Jersey. Through the kindness of my correspondents there I am able to give some details of the two spring shows.

Notwithstanding the great difficulties experienced by the farmers just now the April bull show resulted in an entry of more than 60 head. In under-one-year calves the prize list was: 1, Veno 2d (sire Royal Guide). 2, Sunray's Son (sire Gilbert). 3, Sweet Sultan (sire Rochette's Jolly Sultan). 4, Hero du Coin (sire Hamptonne Grey). Yearling bulls: 1, Kingsway (sire Oxford You'll Do). 2, Leda's Cowslip Noble (sire Cowslip's Golden Noble). 3, Slim Jim (sire Noble of Rozel). 4, Jemima's King (sire Cannon Grey).

In aged bulls the first prize went to Golden Fern's Noble, owned by J. A. Perree. A splendid photograph of this bull appeared in the Holiday "Gazette." He was dropped August 4, 1909, and bred by F. D. Houillebecq. His dam is Lady Aldan. He was sired by Noble of Oaklands. Mr. Perree was also awarded the second prize on his other herd bull, Combination's Premier (sire Combination; dam Oakland's Bess). The third prize went to Hamptonne Grey (sire Cannon Grey) and the fourth to General Cowslip (sire General Brown).

Aged bulls, shown with and to be judged by the merits of five of their female progeny: 1, Golden Fern's Noble. 2, Oxford Majesty. 3, W. Alexander's General Cowslip.

In the competition for the F. S. Peer Perpetual Channel Cup, Golden Fern's Noble again gained premier honors, thus recording a triple triumph—an almost unique distinction at an Island show. The reserve was awarded to Oxford Majesty.

The important show of female stock, held on May 20, lost much of its attraction owing to the cancelling of the butter test, a feature of the exhibition which has become increasingly popular with breeders and the public alike. But really, one feels rather astonished that the May show could be held at all. A great proportion of the farm laborers are of Brittany and Normandy origin, and many of these have been mobilized by the French. On the other hand, the Jersey government has called up all its able-bodied men to serve in the Jersey militia for home defense. So it will be readily seen how short-handed farmers must be. This is just the time of the year when one could see many of the Brittany and Normandy peasants with their wives and children crossing over to Jersey to gather and pack potatoes and plant tomatoes. It will be difficult to garner the crops and get the farm work done satisfactorily in Jersey this summer and autumn. Some of the poor farmers and their wives will have to work almost night and day. Even to milk the several thousand cows on the Island requires a goodly amount of energy, and many farmers of the wealthier class are now compelled to milk their own kine, for, in spite of wars, holidays, scarcity of labor or anything else, her majesty the cow never stops giving milk.

There were no less than 221 entries, and I understand few of these were absentees. The sensation of the show came forward in J. A. Perree's Golden Oxford Ivy, a young cow with her second calf. After winning premier honors in her class she entered the arena to compete in the open class for the Theatre Challenge Cup, the winner of which is generally regarded as the champion for the year. Notwithstanding the strong competition of the older matrons, Golden Oxford Ivy defeated them all, thus winning the trophy outright for Mr. Perree, for, according to the rules, "the cup shall become the absolute property of the member who wins it on any three occasions." Mr. Perree won it in 1905, 1911, and 1915. No other member has ever won it on more than one occasion.

Golden Oxford Ivy was calved Dec. 7, 1911. Her dam is Golden Ivy and her sire Oxford You'll Do, plenty of whose blood has been disseminated in the United States. She was bred by J. B. Badier. Strange to say, Mr. Perree expected winning on Fern's Lady, a Golden Fern's Noble cow, but she delayed calving until the date of the show and so could not be exhibited. The winner will go to America with the next shipment to Linden Grove.

Yearling heifers: 1, Clarencia's Benedictine (sire Benedictine's Nobleman). 2, Reading Royal (sire Royal Guide). 3, Fly 20th (sire Design's Golden Noble). 4, Oleander (sire Oxford Noble). Heifers in calf: 1, Golden Augustine 3d (sire Lackland). 2, Summer Valentine 2d (sire General Cowslip). 3, Foxglove 9th (sire Golden Fern's Noble). 4, Keal Nancy 3d (sire Noble Monarch). Heifers in milk: 1, Village Beauty (sire Cowslip's Golden Noble). 2, Bertha of Highland (sire Noble Sultan of Oaklands). 3, Tapon's Butterfly (sire Combination's Premier). 4, Doreen of St. Luke's (sire Cowslip's Golden Noble).

Cows 3 to 6 years old: 1, Golden Oxford Ivy (sire Oxford You'll Do). 2, Bright Blonde (sire Bright Prince). 3, Zellina's Favorite (sire Rower, winner of the Peer Challenge Cup 1914). 4, Wonder Mary (sire Aldan's March Hare). Aged cows: 1, Sultan's Finance (sire Sultan of Oaklands). 2, Raleigh's Finance (sire Mabel's Raleigh). 3, Lady Rosebay 8th (sire Honest Lad). 4, Princess Merlucke (sire Lucy's Prince).

Theatre Challenge Cup, Golden Oxford Ivy. Reserve, Sultan's Finance (reserve winner last year, and now eight years old).—John Ashton, in the Breeders' Gazette.

TICKY CATTLE BRING LOW PRICES.

Washington, D. C., July 3.—After an eight months' fight, the foot-and-mouth disease has been practically stamped out and the danger of another great destructive animal plague averted. For this the country has reason to be thankful, for American live stock already suffers from disease to an extent of which few persons are fully aware. Hog cholera, tuberculosis, and the cattle tick cause an annual loss to the country which reaches so high into the millions of dollars that is is almost impossible even for trained statisticians to estimate it. The direct loss in deaths can be computed with reasonable accuracy but the indirect losses which agriculture in all its branches suffers whenever and wherever there is a scarcity of stock cannot be reckoned at all.

Greater production of live stock upon the farms undoubtedly would go far toward solving the problem. This is especially true of the South. In an estimate quoted recently by the Secretary of Agriculture, it was stated that the average farm home in Georgia produced less than one-twelfth of a beef in the course of a year for each person on it. Instead of producing beef to sell to the rest of the country, the South imports much of what it consumes.

For this condition of affairs specialists hold two things responsible—cotton and ticks. The danger in a one-crop system of agriculture has now been made apparent and there are many farmers who would gladly abandon it if some substitute were available. But in any sound system of agriculture live stock is indispensable, and while the cattle tick flourishes the production of cattle is not an inviting prospect. The grower in a tick-infested country labors under a crushing handicap. His cattle weigh less and bring less per pound than those of his competitor in tick-free sections.

In Alabama and Mississippi, for example, the average price for beef on the hoof was, on January 1, 1915, only 4 cents a pound. In Connecticut, it was 8.4 and in no tick-free state was it as low as 5 cents. The average price of beef cattle over two years old was $20 in Alabama and $22 in Mississippi. It was $64 in Wyoming and $60 in Montana. Vermont, with an average of $39, was the only tick-free state in which the price was below $40. In North Carolina, South Carolina, George, Florida, Louisiana and Arkansas—all more or less tick-infested—the average price was below $30.

Such differences are too striking to be ignored. They represent an annual loss to the farmers of the South of millions of dollars. The Georgia farmer may expect to receive $18 for his beef animal, the Ohio farmer $56, Kentucky, Kansas and Indiana men, $54. For the ten tick-infested states—North and South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Florida, Louisiana, Arkansas, Oklahoma and Texas—the general average is $25.90; for the remainder of the country it is $48.47. In considering these figures it must be borne in mind that many of the states in the tick country have succeeded in freeing large areas from the pest. Otherwise, the differences in values undoubtedly would be much greater. A great deal of North and South Carolina, for instance, is as free from ticks as Ohio or Indiana. Oklahoma also has grappled so vigorously with the pest and has cleaned so much of its territory that the average value for cattle has risen to $42 a head. In Florida, on the other hand, where no systematic work has as yet been done, the average is $18.

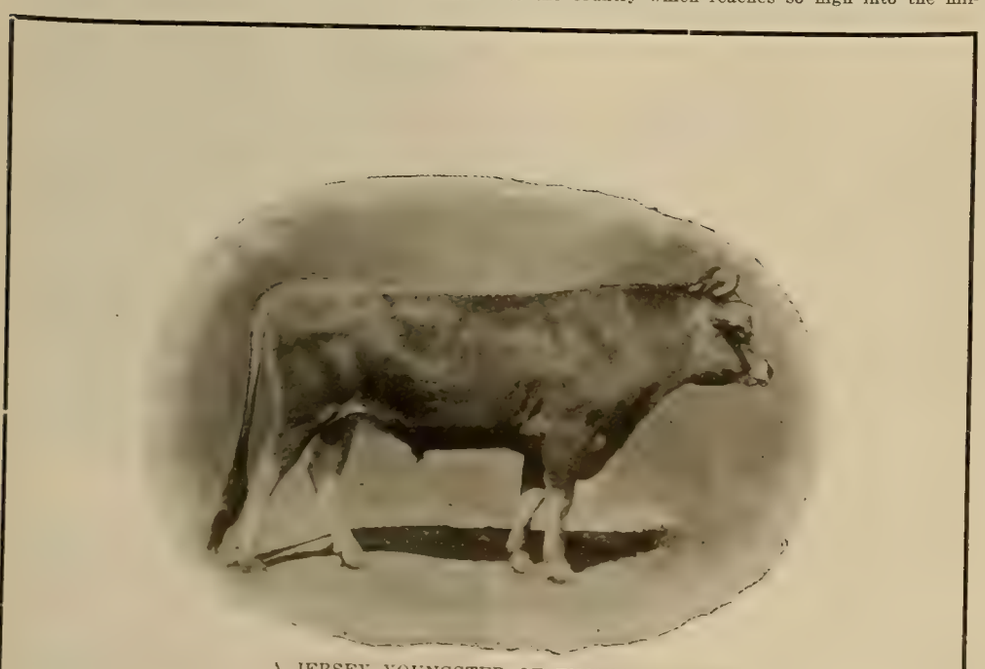
One reason for the low average value of Southern cattle is unquestionably the disastrous effect of the tick upon all attempts to improve the breed. Pure-bred stock imported for breeding purposes are exposed to such danger of death from tick fever that it is not sound business to incur the risk. Producers are, therefore, compelled to do the best they can with the native cattle, which have acquired a certain degree of immunity. That there is no profit in scrubs is an old cattle raiser's maxim and in this connection a comparison of average weights of beef cattle may be interesting.

In Florida, on January 1, 1915, it was 340 pounds; in Wyoming, 985; in Idaho, 966; in Montana, 938. In Mississippi it was 550; in Alabama, 500; in Louisiana, 471; in Georgia, 419. Outside of the tick country, Connecticut was the one state to fall below 600 pounds.

There are, of course, other factors than the tick in the raising of beef in the South, but in view of these figures, it is hard to escape from the conclusion that wherever the tick is, there the value of cattle is low.

It follows, also, that the farmer makes little effort to develop this source of profit—or what would be a source of profit under other circumstances. Not only does he himself suffer financially in consequence—directly from loss of income, and indirectly through loss of soil fertility—but the whole country suffers from an inadequate meat supply.

For this reason, the Federal government is as vitally interested in the work of tick eradication as it is in the suppression of hog cholera and the prevention of tuberculosis. Throughout the tick-infested territory, wherever the people have voted to free themselves from the tax the pest levies upon them, Federal inspectors are co-operating with the local authorities and organizations in the erection of vats and the supervision of regular systematic dipping. As fast as territory is cleaned, the quarantine is removed from it and stock owners in the community thus enabled to market their cattle on an equal footing with stock from other sections of the country. As has already been said, 253,288 square miles have been freed in this way since the beginning of the work in 1906, and in addition much useful work has been done in areas still under quarantine. Within fifteen years, if the same rate of progress is maintained, the entire country should be free and ticky cattle a forgotten evil. But there is every reason to believe that as the evidence against the tick piles up, progress will become more and more rapid. It can not be too rapid for the good of the entire country.



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THE FARM

DAIRY COWS AND READY MONEY.

Consider the dairy cow as a wealth producer! Her other name is "ready cash"! From her such sources of revenue as butter-fat and skim-milk flow!

Who but the cow is the originator of the "cream check"! Animated machine though she be, the consumer of his silage and his roughage, isn't she the one friend of the farmer that fattens his bank account twelve months in the year? Nor is this all! She is the mother of the calves and the sole author of the sustenance from which they are fed the first months of their lives. Few cow owners appreciate how valuable her warm, sweet skim-milk isf or the young stock of the farm!

And the yellow butter-bat! What is it but so much gold! Even after the separator extracts the butter-fat from the whole milk all the bone and muscle-forming elements are left. How warm, sweet separator skim-milk makes the calves, the pigs, the chickens grow! And it comes from the cow!

For every dollar's worth of fodder fed her she returns 100 per cent in dividends. Instead of robbing the soil of its fertility by selling off your produce, feed it to the cow!

Then the solid and liquid wastes from her body! Do they not keep up the fertility of the soil? In converting hay and grain and grass and silage into milk and money isn't the manure her most valuable by-product? What a boon the dairy cow is to the impoverished soils of "run-down" farms that lack many of the elements that make plant life flourish.

But there is still another source of revenue from the dairy cow. Even her old, worn-out body, about to succumb to wear and tear, has its market value! Her carcass can be sold to the butcher and her hide to the tanner!

Farmers are deeply indebted to the dairy cow! They are on her "pay roll"! She furnishes them a steady cash income in fat months and in lean and she makes their fields more fertile and productive.

Blessed be the cow! How could the world live without her? What a blessing she is to babies and how indispensable she is to adults! Consumers of dairy products — men, women and children everywhere—echo the sentiment: blessed be the cow! All people pay homage to the source of their sustenance, to their humble servant, the uncomplaining cow! Benefactor of mankind!

And how much the cow contributes to the wealth of the community! Her very presence makes the mother earth more productive. She not only tends to elevate and enrich her owner, but she furnishes food for his family and he sells the surplus to his neighbors. Cash circulates more freely and merchants feel the stimulus of such a steady flow of milk-money! No cream check, no cow!

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AN IRRIGATED HOG RANCH.

Although alfalfa is the standard crop for stock production in irrigated districts, John P. Daggs & Sons of Modesto have only seven or eight of their thirty-acre hog ranch in alfalfa, finding this about the right amount. Although this is a breeder's ranch and methods are somewhat different than would be used in merely producing hogs for the block, there would be little change in the system as far as the land is concerned if the hogs were simply raised for slaughter.

Hogs are pastured on the alfalfa which is later plowed up and planted to barley and corn, and other land planted to alfalfa in its place. By this system there is a rotation of crops and all the land sooner or later is renewed by a stand of alfalfa, and the alfalfa is new enough to be in first-class condition.

The 20 odd acres not in alfalfa are kept producing steadily by the use of irrigation with barley and one or other of the grain sorghums, of which feterita has met the highest favor the last year or so. In the fall barley is planted, and in the early summer when the barley is harvested feterita or another grain sorghum is planted, and so on until alfalfa is set out. Some other stock is also kept on the place and buttermilk is hauled from the creamery and fed. Although alfalfa is such a fine producer and excellent feed, grain is needed to make the best kind of a hog, and the combination of barley and feterita with alfalfa makes a profitable use of the land for hog raising.

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Three-year-old Pace	300
Three-year-old Trot	300

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2:20 Trot or 2:25 Pace	500
2:25 Trot	1000
2:15 Trot or 2:18 Pace	500
2:15 Pace	1000
2:10 Trot or 2:06 Pace	500
Free-for-all Trot or Pace	500

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SPOKANE, WASHINGTON
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All communications to Geo. P. Larsen, Sec'y., Spokane, Wash.

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2:11 Trot	$750
2:15 Pace	750
2:25 Trot	750
2:18 Pace	750
2:18 Trot	750
2:15 Trot	750
2:11 Pace	750

The Oregon State Fair

SALEM, SEPTEMBER 27 to OCTOBER 2, 1915

Mile Track; National Trotting Association.

All communications to W. Al. Jones, Secretary, Salem, Oregon.

All events close August 13, to horses eligible on closing date. 5% to enter and 5% from Money Winners.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27th

Three-minute Trot, 3 heats	$.300
2:10 Pace, 3 heats	700
One-mile Handicap Dash, trot and Pace	500
Great Western Relay Race	1,500

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th

2:15 Trot, 3 heats	$700

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29th

Three-year-old Pace (closed)	$1,500
2:30 Trot, 3 heats	500
2:08 Pace, 3 in 5	2,000

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th

2:20 Pace, 3 heats	$.700
2:12 Trot, 3 in 5	2,000
2:15 Pace, 3 heats	700

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1st

Free-for-all Pace, 3 in 5	$700
2:20 Trot, 3 heats	700
Three-minute Trot or pace, 3 in 5	300

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2d

2:12 Pace, 3 heats	$700
2:09 Trot, 3 heats	700

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2:15 Pace, 3 heats	700.00

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

Free-for-all Pace, 3 in 5	$ 700.00
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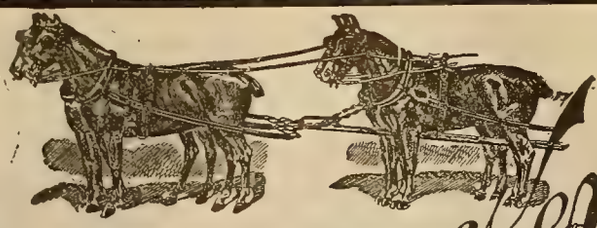
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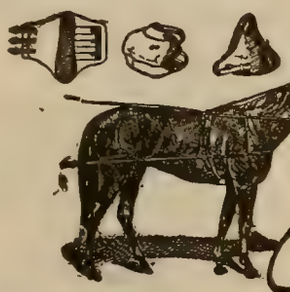
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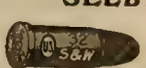
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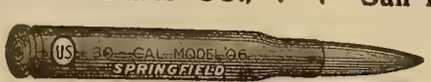
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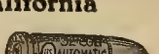
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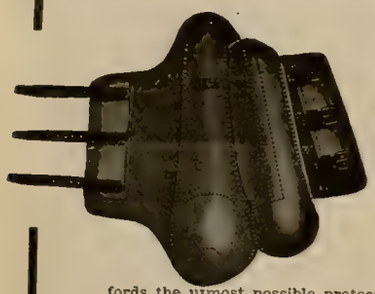
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FERNDALE (Humboldt County Fair)	Sept. 6-10
FRESNO (Fresno District Fair)	Sept. 28-Oct. 2
RIVERSIDE (Riverside District Fair)	Oct. 5-9
SAN FRANCISCO (P.-P. I. E.)	Oct. 30-Nov. 13
PHOENIX (Arizona State Fair)	Nov. 15-20

NORTH PACIFIC FAIR AND RACING ASS'N.

PORTLAND, OREGON	Beginning Aug. 2
SEATTLE, WASH.	Beginning Aug. 9
VANCOUVER, B. C.	Beginning Aug. 14
CHEHALIS-CENTRALIA, WASH.	Beginning Aug. 23
ELMA, Wash.	Beginning Sept. 1
VANCOUVER, WASH.	Beginning Sept. 6
SPOKANE, Wash.	Beginning Sept. 13
WALLA WALLA, WASH.	Beginning Sept. 13
HELENA, MONT.	Beginning Sept. 20
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SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH	Beginning Sept. 27
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BRANDON, MAN.	July 19-24
REGINA, SASK.	July 26-31
SASKATOON, SASK.	Aug. 2-7
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RED DEER, ALB.	Aug. 17-20

GREAT WESTERN CIRCUIT.

CLEVELAND (North Randall), O.	July 19-24
DETROIT, MICH.	July 26-31
PEORIA, ILL.	Aug. 2-7
BURLINGTON, IA.	Aug. 9-14
GALESBURG, ILL.	Aug. 16-21
DUBUQUE, IA.	Aug. 23-28
DES MOINES, IA.	Aug. 30-Sept. 3
HAMLINE, MINN.	Sept. 6-11
MILWAUKEE, WIS.	Sept. 13-18
SPRINGFIELD, ILL.	Sept. 20-25
SEDALIA, MO.	Sept. 27-Oct. 2
MUSKOGEE, OKLA.	Oct. 4-9
PHOENIX, ARIZ.	Nov. 15-20

GRAND CIRCUIT.

CLEVELAND (North Randall), O.	July 19-24
DETROIT, MICH.	July 26-31
KALAMAZOO, MICH.	Aug. 2-7
GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.	Aug. 9-14
MONTREAL, ONT.	Aug. 16-28
NEW YORK (Empire City), N. Y.	Aug. 30-Sept. 4
HARTFORD, CONN.	Sept. 6-11
SYRACUSE, N. Y.	Sept. 13-18
COLUMBUS, O.	Sept. 20-Oct. 2
LEXINGTON, KY.	October 4-16

TWO NOTABLE EX-CALIFORNIA SIRES.

Coincidences are sometimes merely curious—and again, they may be much more than that. Among those falling in the latter classification are the ones that marked the decision of the two great $20,000 stakes at the recent Panama-Pacific Exposition at San Francisco. We refer to the facts that the winners of both, the trotter Spriggan 2:08¼ and the pacer White Sox 2:05¼, were each by a son of McKinney 2:11¼. At any other meeting this would have been merely a curious item, perhaps—though still, we would say more than that. But, occurring as it did at the one in question, it was something far different.

By all means the greatest trotting progenitor ever identified with the Pacific Coast was Electioneer, the "monarch of Palo Alto." That renowned stallion died in 1890, and at that time there was growing up on the coast a colt that had been taken there undeveloped, which was destined to become the greatest speed sire that has ever flourished there since Electioneer's day. This was McKinney. We need not refer, more than by mention, to his wonderful career in that part of the U. S. A., alike as a performer and a progenitor. It raised him to such a pitch of fame that he commanded a price of $25,000, which Mr. Henry B. Gentry paid his owner, Mr. C. A. Durfee, in order to bring him east, where the demand for his services had become insistent. And only a couple of seasons later Mr. Gentry resold him to his present owner, Mr. William Simpson, of the Empire City Farms, for double his cost, or $50,000—the sale taking place a few moments after his great California-bred daughter, Sweet Marie 2:02, had won a Transylvania so thrilling that it will never be forgotten.

McKinney is still hale and hearty at twenty-eight, he having been foaled in 1887, but is now retired from public service. Unlike many other sires that won brilliant successes in California and were brought east on the strength thereof, he has been also wonderfully successful this side of the Rockies. It was shortly after arriving here that he sired Baron McKinney 2:10¼, the sire of Spriggan 2:08¼, winner of the $20,000 trot at San Francisco; while only a few seasons before leaving California he had sired Del Coronado 2:09½, the sire of White Sox 2:05¼, the winner of the $20,000 pace. Both Baron McKinney and Del Coronado were themselves Grand Circuit winners—and the former, but for a series of misfortunes, would undoubtedly have secured a record several seconds below 2:10. But this is not all of the McKinney blood in these two winners—for White Sox, in addition to being by McKinney's son, Del Coronado, has for a grandam a daughter of the same imperial progenitor, the pacer Jenny Mac 2:09, in her day a race mare of class, and now a noted matron. Again, we may also observe that not only did W. G. Durfee, son of C. A. Durfee, "the man who made McKinney famous," drive White Sox to victory in the $20,000 pace, he also drove the winner of second money in the $20,000 trot, Virginia Barnette, and, as our table of the winning reinsmen at the Panama-Pacific meeting, printed last week, shows, headed the list with $17,137.50 to his credit.

There is, however, one circumstance still to be noted that we cannot view with such pleasure—namely, that both the winning sires, Baron McKinney and Del Coronado, are now exiles from their native land. With their usual good judgment, the foreign buyers acquired them some time ago, and each is now far away across the water. When their European owners read the San Francisco summaries, they will assuredly feel well pleased with their recent purchases—while the American breeders who allowed these two horses to slip through their fingers, almost without a passing thought, will have food for reflection of an altogether different sort.

A trotter capable of trotting the sixth and seventh heats of a winning race, over a half-mile track, in 2:13¼ and 2:15, even if in a postponed event, is surely a performer deserving special comment. This feat was performed last week at the meeting at Cranwood Park near Cleveland, O., by the seven-year-old stallion Electric McKerron in the 2:20 class, in which he defeated ten classy competitors. Electric McKerron is further interesting to us because he is owned right here in our home city of Chicago by Mr. A. B. Getty, who has for a long while been known as an ardent admirer of light harness race horses and the owner of quite a few good ones. Beyond that, he was raised here in our home state of Illinois by one of its leading breeders, Mr. John Calder, of North Henderson, who has previously sent out to the races numerous notable winners, including that grand trotter Redlac 2:07½.

Electric McKerron is well enough bred to do almost anything in the line of fast trotting. He is by John A. McKerron 2:04½, that great race horse and sire whose name is a "household word," and his dam is Ellene 2:28¼ (double progenitor), by Electioneer 125; grandam Lady Ellen 2:29½ (dam of seven and grandam of eleven) by Carr's Mambrino 1789. Lady Ellen was, if we recollect aright, the first mare to produce two daughters, own sisters, that each produced a 2:10 trotter. These were Helena 2:11¼, dam of Orlean 2:09½, and Nelly May, dam of Baron May 2:07¼. Both Helena and Nelly May were by Electioneer also, hence own sisters of Ellene—and as the last named's son, Electric McKerron, on his race at Cranwood last week, must surely be able to trot a mile track in 2:10, there is an early possibility that ere the season closes Lady Ellen will enjoy the unique distinction of being the dam of three mares, all own sisters, each of which has produced a 2:10 trotter.

It would also appear that John A. McKerron, who already has five 2:10 trotters to his credit, is in line for two more in the near future—Electric McKerron and the three-year-old colt Deroche (2:22½ at two), that has worked for Mr. Geers in 2:11¼ recently, and is, we understand, to be given a new record at Cleveland this week, pending his debut in the Grand Circuit colt stakes.—Horse Review.

The publicity agent of the Omaha Driving Club is sponsor for the report that Marvin Childs will hereafter make the Nebraska City the headquarters of his training operations, and surface indications give a fair basis for such a prediction. Edward Peterson, Marvin's principal patron, is the head of the Omaha association that is putting that town back on the map, and it would no doubt add much pleasure to that gentleman's ownership of horses if he could see them regularly in their work, as Mr. Peterson is one of the kind who owns horses because he likes them. Childs is one of the young men who are rising rapidly in their profession, and a permanent location at Omaha would bring him all the patronage he desired, or could take care of. California and the northwest will miss him, but Omaha will be ahead one good humbre and a live wire trainer if he does decide to call her home.

GREAT ENTRY LIST AT OMAHA.

When the Omaha Driving Club announced some months ago that they would attempt to put Omaha back on the trotting map, horsemen throughout the country rejoiced exceedingly and promised their support. Omaha is one good town and the people behind the driving club are the right sort, but the support that really materialized for the three-day meeting of August 5-6-7 must have surprised even its sponsors. Five thousand, six hundred dollars was put up for the initial event, the various classes receiving the high average of twenty-four entries, the original nominations ranging in number from nine to forty-one, as follows:

2:30 trot, $500—Custer Boy, Tommy Hooper, Harty Bingen, Minnie Obtin, MacRose Queen, Ben Nutwood, Timothy Hall, Queen Traveler, Pronto J., Charley Marrs, Mighty Ghould, Wineschenk, Fred R., California B., Col. Vidmer, Red Rico, Great Ivan, Sand Hill Pete, Belle W., Allie Axwood, Little Hunter, Bill Murry.

2:22 pace, $500—Peter Craig, John B., Cotton Patch, King Will, Reba R., Fire Alarm Jr., Major Constantine, Brown Betty, Fred Hill, Doctor H., Bessie Winfield, Bob Strong, Eva Direct, Virginia C., Marquis Bay, Shadeland Nutwood, Miss Clark, Colonel Hunt, Western Flyer, Tiptop, Don Quixote, Armadillo, Frank Holloway, West Point, Charline, Myron Onslow, Star On, Ellen Chimes, Van Sickle, Red Wood, Happy Heart, Debently, Karo, Ludwig C., Louie Mack, Red Rose, Thorson, Will Wantoo, Nancy V. C., Jennie Fitzsimmons.

2:15 trot, $500—Miss Omer, Tena G., Heir Reaper, Dr. Wayo, Jim O'Shea, Sweetwood, A-1, Murdo Mc, Lord Duke, Aubrey O., Golden Rush, Louise, Arondo, David Look, Ina Archdale, John Emerson, Dr. C. H. Cole, Billy Murry, The Orphan, Watsey Todd, Edith All Tell.

2:19 trot, $500—The Orphan, Billy Murry, Jack Paine, Geo. Summers, The Chief, Seal Allerton, Ina Archdale, John Emerson, Great Northern, Bolock, The Corsair, Watsey Todd, Kitty Red, Golden Rusk, Desmoines Bell, Joe Vincent, Homer Allerton, Charm King, Edith All Tell, Allie Medium, Hick, Harry Onslow.

2:12 pace, $500—Shady Butterfly, R. W. E., Kid Riley, Cambridge Bell, Cecil Boy, C. D. M., Strathtell, Shadeline, Radview, M. F., Fay Bernard, Axcybeta, Bertha Creighton, Annona, Allator, Mollie Bringer, Irene Beau, Budweiser, Adrian R., Hal Patch, Danpa, Prince Arlington, Joe Joe.

Three-year-old trot, $300—Rose Hedgewood, D. I. Burke, Sweet Aubrey, Daisy Todd, Bin Bon, Busy Todd, Office Boy, Lord Archdale, Billy Todd.

2:08 pace, $500—Adrian R., Irish Lad, Sir Lain, Axcybeta, Irene Beau, College Gent, C. D. M., M. F., Cambridge Bell, Hal McKinney, Columbia Fire, R. W. E., Prince Arlington.

2:24 trot, $500—Dolly Dimple, Kitty Red, Belle W., Allie Axwood, Hick, Charm King, Tommy Hooper, Sand Hill Pete, Red Rico, Great Ivan, California B., Fred R., Mighty Ghould, Charley Marrs, Pronto J., Timothy Hall, Ben Nutwood, Custer Ray, The Orphan, Billy Murry, Harry Onslow, Nutwood Lou, Ei Bel Maden, Ira Thorn, Little Hunter, Harty Bingen.

2:17 pace, $500—Ocean Wave, Johnnie Mills, Red Wood, Ora Vidmer, Dan W., McVerde, Belle W., Van Sickle, Helen Chimes, Star On, Myron Onslow, Charline, West Point, Frank H. Holloway, Armadillo, Don Quixote, Western Flyer, Shadeland Nutwood, Bob Strong, Doctor H., Brown Betty, Bessie Winfield, Major Constantine, Bill Curtis, Reba R., King Will, Colonel Hunt, Happy Heart, Debently, Last Chance, Louise Mac, Red Rose, John B., Allator, Mollie Bringer, Budweiser, Fay Bernard, Bertha Creighton, Ludwig, Thorsen, Jennie Fitzsimmons.

Entries close August first at Vancouver, B. C., and Spokane. Good purses, good tracks, good treatment to all comers.

VANCOUVER, B. C.

Vancouver, B. C., July 10, 1915.—The Vancouver Amateur Driving Association staged a nice program of harness races here today before a well pleased crowd of spectators, the receipts for the afternoon going to help swell the patriotic funds being raised in support of the Red Cross and Daughters of the Empire. The fields were not large but the events were well contested, with the time in a number of heats highly creditable.

Vancouver, B. C., July 10, 1915.

Free-for-all Special Pace:

Olga S.	(W. B. Russell)	2	1
Nic Nac	(J. McCullough)	3	3
Nelly Wilkes			

Time—1:09, 1:07¼.

"B" Class Trot:

Cromo	(A. R. Miller)	2	2
Greco McKinney	(Ed Burgoyne)	3	3
Special Blend			

Time—1:12, 1:11.

"B" Class Pace:

Johnny D.	(F. A. Thompson)	2	2
New Moon			

Time—1:14, 1:06¼.

"C" Class Trot:

Susie G.	(W. H. Mason)	2	2
Alma Lou	(Wm. Steel)	3	3
Amaline Lou			

Time—1:18, 1:22.

"D" Class Trot:

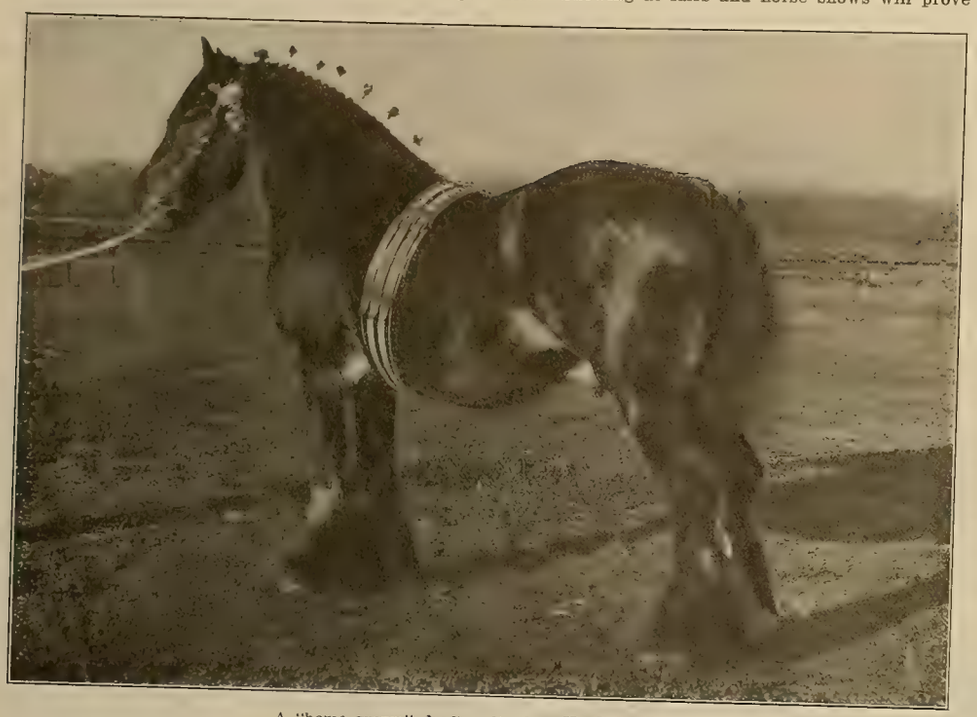
Bonladi	(Dr. A. Milloy)	2	2
Sweet Nut	(R. Fitzsimmons)	4	3
Belmar McKinney	(D. Scott)	3	dr
Billy			

Time—1:25, 1:24.

Marketing Young Stallions

This is a day of opportunity for the breeder of purebred horses in America, remarks a recent correspondent to the Breeders' Gazette. The war in Europe has knocked the bottom out of the horse importing business. Trainload after trainload of horses is being sent to the seat of war. Country newspapers are reporting that scarcity of horses exists due to the fact that so many have been sold. Prices everywhere for good horses are fair. The outlook for the future is splendid and encouraging. In the immediate future farmers are going to raise many horses. This will mean that there will be a very strong demand for breeding stock. There is a stronger tendency than ever before to produce horses of good market quality. To that end purebred sires of large size and the right quality will be sought. Stallion laws in many states are exposing grade, scrub, and unsound stallions and undoubtedly their numbers are decreasing, causing a corresponding increase in the numbers of purebred stallions.

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Champion Shire Stallion at California State Fair, 1914, and now owned by E. W. Westgate, Rio Vista—"Ready money" at any time, and especially valuable under conditions created by the war.

there lies the old time-worn principle of salesmanship which is "to please the buyer." American importers of horses have long catered to the buyers' demands. Importers have fattened their horses, they have taught them to show well, knowing that the buyer would select for size and weight and manners. Breeders of purebred beef cattle have long been catering to the whims and fancies as well as to the just demands of the buying public. At prominent sales of purebred beef cattle the offering is brought out in a marvelous condition of size, flesh and training.

The young stallions must have size, flesh and training to sell for the best. Feed of good quality and plenty of it with the right care is necessary. If feed is in any wise stinted the product will never grow to his full normal size, nor will he develop his best draft type. Of course feed will not make a first-class animal out of one possessing inferior characteristics. However, any animal will be distinctly more salable when well fed and developed to his greatest possibilities.

There is nothing extraordinary to suggest as feed, possibly there is nothing new. Simply the good old-fashioned farm feed liberally used will accomplish the purpose. Pasture must not be neglected. Corn-belt pastures are universally poor during summer-time. Horsemen must learn to provide better summer pasture. Not long ago I asked a noted stockman for his opinion as to America's greatest drawback in the production of good horses. He had lived in England and had traveled through other European countries. His reply was: "The lack of good summer pasture."

A two-year-old that is to be sold next winter or spring as a three-year-old needs grain during the summer, fall and winter to increase his growth and to put him into attractive form for selling. The yearling needs grain to cause him to grow into a big heavy drafter. Oats are the staple grain for growing colts. Good ear corn can be used as part of the ration with splendid results. In the north pease may well make up a part of the ration. The first two-year-old stallion I ever cared for was fed as follows: Ear corn in the morning, oats at noon, and at night a big feed of bran with cooked pease and oats, and all this covered with skim-milk direct from the separator. He grew three pounds per day during the summer season. If hay is needed, alfalfa or clover of good clean quality is undoubtedly best. A growing drafter needs protein and either of the above will supply that in abundance. Where there are several young stallions it is best for them that they be allowed to run together away from the horses.

There will be a market for all good young purebred stallions. The man in a remote locality with only a very limited number, perhaps only one or two, may think that he is handicapped. He can secure a market by advertising. County draft horse associations may unite to sell their surplus stock. It would be a very easy matter for the secretary of a local or county association to keep a list of all stallions available for sale. Advertising could be done in the name of the association; prospective purchasers could be informed by the secretary where their needs could be filled. If advisable a joint sale could be held. Showing at fairs and horse shows will prove a splendid opportunity for selling. Men who have been importers previous to this year will be out looking for likely young stallions. We may well expect the ex-importer to become a dealer in homebred stock. The market for real desirable young stallions is very promising. It remains simply for the American breeder to take advantage of it.

TROTTING PROGRESSES IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

The past fortnight has seen much advancement in the work of the Western Australian Trotting Association. Grounds have been secured on the goldfields and at Fremantle at considerable cost. This evidences the determination of the Association to foster the sport and to assist in its introduction to parts where it has hitherto not been indulged in. Progressiveness on the part of any organization is made only when opposition has been overcome and in this particular the Trotting Association has had its experiences. It is still having them, for there is opposition from many quarters. Other bodies see in the progress of trotting that which will be harmful to their interests, for there is no doubt that the popularity of this form of horse racing has had an effect upon galloping meetings and the attendances thereat. Though most racing men are good sportsmen it is not expected of them that they will view with equanimity the introduction of a form of sport that is likely to form a serious rival. The proprietary interests are not solely those that have viewed this onward march of the trotting people with alarm. Those who are at the head of affairs in other clubs are finding that the once despised trotting enthusiasts are very much in the limelight.

The acquiring of grounds at East Fremantle and Kalgoorlie has added further to the attention which trotting is demanding, and there has been perturbation both at the Port and on the goldfields in consequence. Though the Boulder people extended a we come to the visiting committee men last week the was not any rush on the part of the representative of the racing clubs to welcome those who are intr ducing trotting. There has, however, always bee this want of encouragement shown towards trottin and it has demanded a good deal of determinatio and grit to place the sport in the position that i holds today. However, the executive of the Associa tion anticipate big success for trotting on the gol fields. They have not lost any time since their visi A day or two ago we had an opportunity of lookin at the plans for the new course which is to be lai out at once. It will not be many weeks before th goldfields people will have a new course with a half mile track 70 feet wide, and with straights over eigh chains in length. The enclosures will be spacious and the other appointments of the most modern kind The Kalgoorlie-Boulder train line runs along one boundary of the course, and the Boulder Block line along another boundary. The electric lighting of the track alone will be done with 100 lamps, of 1000 candle power each.

The East Fremantle ground is also bordered by a tram line. It is just about a mile from the center of the city, and is as suitable a place as could be imagined. It is a natural amphitheatre, and will permit of the laying out of a track of any size, while there are slopes that will provide ample accommodation for thousands of spectators. It is somewhat surprising that this place has been allowed to lay idle for so long. On this ground, also, the Association proposes to expend some thousands of pounds, and to introduce to the people of Fremantle and suburbs racing under electric light on as lavish a scale as that enjoyed by thousands of people in Perth.—W. A. Sportsman.

THE PSYCHOLOGY OF CROWDS.

Chicago had a 500 mile automobile race last Saturday. In less than two months a corn field was turned into a two-mile board track speedway by promoters unknown to the general public and all Chicago sat up and took notice.

Why? Because everything was done on a large scale. The two-mile track, the millions of feet of lumber, a regular army of workmen (pictures of the pay line were impressive), the size of the purses, the wide advertising, all contributed to stir Chicago as it has not been moved in many a day.

First prize $20,000, second prize $10,000, and eight other prizes from $5,000 to $1,400; totalling $50,000, all for one day's program. The figures were staggering. "This is no cheap show. This is a big game. We must see it," said Mr. Chicago, and Mrs. Chicago agreed, just as she had expected to agree all along.

Why do we mention these things in a horse paper? Because there is a lesson here for the secretary of every race track. And if the secretary reads it right he will study the psychology of crowds. One could write a book on that subject. Someone should do so. And race track secretaries should read it.

Methods that used to attract crowds will not do so now except, perhaps, in rural communities. Suppose the Chicago auto derby had been "put on" like the average county fair and race meeting. It wouldn't have attracted 5,000 people. But it was handled in an up-to-date way, by men who understand the psychology of crowds, and they were not afraid to risk $50,000 in prizes on a one-day affair and they took in $400,000 at the gate.

Locally, Chicago is one of the deadest towns in a trotting-horse-race-meeting sense we know of. But we venture the prediction that if there was money enough behind the right people to put on a one-day meeting with $50,000 in prizes, and the meeting was handled by one who understands the psychology of crowds, that $100,000 could be taken in at the gate! Of course the track would have to be weather-proof.

We venture another prediction. If the secretary of the smallest racing association in the United States would manage his meeting in a similar but proportionate manner he would double, if not triple, his gate receipts.

Our Indiana correspondent has called attention to the fact that the Indianapolis News quoted betting odds on the recent annual 500 mile race in that city, and rather condoned gambling in connection with that event, yet, when Indianapolis tried to put on a Grand Circuit meeting with betting, the News called on the sheriff to stop gambling!

Now a newspaper may lead public sentiment but can't buck it. A strong newspaper is one that keeps one step ahead of its readers, going in the same direction, but not leading. When the editor makes a statement it should be one (as we once heard Arthur Brisbane remark) that causes the reader to say to himself: "Those are my sentiments. That is the way I would have written that editorial. I haven't given the matter close thought, but if I had done so, I would have arrived at a similar conclusion, etc."

The Indianapolis News is wise. It knows that the public is inclined to "slop over" once in a while. On a holiday people do things which at other times they would criticise There is a tinge of gambling in every one's blood. People who would protest in horror against a 30-day running meeting with gambling, or against a 6 day trotting meeting with gambling will themselves wager a small amount on a one day 500-mile auto race, conducted on a big scale, and held but once a year.

And so we recommend that race track managers spend a quiet hour now and then in contemplating the psychology of crowds.—Horseman.

AN FRANCISCO-CALIFORNIA CLUB MATINEE.

St. Patrick, J. J. Ryan's performer that hasn't issed a matinee this season, trotted away with the ree-for-all event at the exposition track last Sunday n straight heats. In the first he breezed to the wire n 2:15 ahead of Monica McKinney, and in the se held Birdeye safe.

The 2:12 pace was more of a contest, and it re-orded a big surprise when Dick W., winner of the ig pace on Independence day, was defeated. Dick .V. was a sick horse and made a poor showing in onsequence. The winner turned up in George Gian-ini's game little Bradmont, who came on with his isual stretch paces to take the last two heats. In the irst Pointer Bell acted kindly and beat Jack. In the econd Bradmont out-dueled Dick W., and in the hird and final heat the little racer led Jack to the wire.

The 2:15 pace was a split-heat affair, with Ham-burg Belle, Emma M. and Senator H. each getting 'a first. Hamburg stood best in the summary.

The 2:20 mixed was marred by an accident in the second heat. After Victor Pointer beat Rose O. in the first heat the pair were in close contention at the quarter pole, when Victor shied at a shadow, Rose O. put her foot through Victor's sulky and the pair went down. The drivers luckily escaped injury, but Rose O., J. J. Ryan's promising three-year-old, hurt her leg and was drawn. Victor came out in the third and final to beat Peaches. The summary:

First race—2:15 pace:
Hamburg Belle .....(J. Ginocchio) 1 2 3
Emma M. .....(Wm. Malough) 2 4 1
Senator H. .....(Joe Kidd) 4 1 3
Tom Murphy .....(E. T. Ayres) 3 3 dr
Time—2:16¼, 2:14, 2:16.

Second race—Free-for-all trot:
St. Patrick .....(J. J. Ryan) 1 1
Birdeye .....(Combatalade & Robbins) 3 2
Monica McKinney .....(D. E. Hoffman) 2 4
Kinney Lou, Jr. .....(R. Burton) 4 3
Time—2:15, 2:16¼.

Third race—2:12 pace:
Bradmont .....(G. J. Giannini) 3 1 1
Pointer Belle .....(Joe Kidd) 1 6 6
Jack .....(McDonald & Conlan) 2 5 2
Dick W. .....(A. Ottinger) 6 2 5
Happy Dentist .....(J. Ryan) 4 3 3
Delilah .....(Frank Goulart) 5 4 4
Time—2:11¼, 2:12½, 2:13½.

Fourth race—2:22 mixed:
Victor Pointer .....(D. W. Keating) 1 * 1
Peaches .....(R. Burton) 3 1 2
Rose O. .....(J. J. Ryan) 2 * dr
Time—2:17¼, 2:31, 2:22.

*Did not finish; accident.

KEARNEY (NEB.).

Kearney, Neb., July 1.

2:19 trot, purse $400:
Peter Dallas, b g by Peter Kane.....(Williams) 1 1 1
Great Northern, br g by Wayland W.....(Ward) 3 3 2
The Corsair, b h by Walnut Hall.....(Huber) 4 2 3
Baffin, br h by Bingara.....(Dennis) 2 5 4
Jack Panic, 6-4-8; George Summers, 5-7-6; John D., 8-6-9; Homer Allerton, 9-8-6; Nat U Rich, 7-9-7.
Time—2:17¼, 2:18¼, 2:16¼.

2:17 pace, purse $400:
Zomblack, bl h by Zombro.....(DeRyder) 3 1 1 1
Jenny Fitzsimmons, b m by Bob Fitzsimmons .....(Dennis) 1 2 2 2
Ora Vidmer, bl m by Major Vidmer..(Ginger) 2 3 5 5
Last Chance, ch g by Prince Online..(Rhodes) 7 5 3 3
Shady Lady, 6-6-4-4; Fay Bernard, 4-4-7-7; West Point, 8-7-dr.; Gratta, 5-dr.; Armadillo, dis.
Time—2:19¼, 2:19¼, 2:15¼, 2:18¼.

Three-year-old trot, purse $300:
Allie Watts, ch f by General Watts.....(Edman) 1 1
Forest Bingen, b c by Albingen.....(Forest) 2 2
Daisy Todd, b f by George Todd.....(Rhodes) 4 3
D. J. Burke, b g by The Corsair..... Huber) 3 5
Bin Bon, 5-4; Alf D. M., 6-6.
Time—2:24¼, 2:23¼.

July 2—2:24 trot, purse $400:
Pronto J., bl g by Strathway.....(Sebastian) 1 1 1
Charm King, b m by Norval King.....(Morton) 3 2 2
Socius, b h by Spokane.....(Dennis) 2 3 3
El Bel Maden, b m by Almaden D.....(Ward) 4 4 5
Dolly Dimple, 5-5-4; Sand Hill Pete, 7-6-9; Ivan Thorne, 8-8-6; California B., 6-7-8; Kitty Red, 9-9-7.
Time—2:25¼, 2:24¼, 2:24¼.

2:22 pace, purse $400:
Josie Knight, gr m by Twelfth Knight .....(Dennis) 2 1 2 3 2
Don Quixote, b g by Argus.....(Huber) 8 2 1 2 3
Redwood, ch g by Aldenwood....(Coombs) 3 3 4 5 4
Frank Holloway, ch g by George W. Mc-Kinney .....(Sebastian) 10 11 3 1 1
Mabel Barrister, 9-7-11-6-5; Ludwig C., 6-6-10-7-dr.; Van Sickle, b h by Gambetta Wilkes, 1-9-8-5-dr.; Nancy V. C., 11-8-9-9-dr.; Madam Mack, 4-12-5-4-dr.; Charline, 5-5-7-dr.; Helen Chimes, 7-4-6-dr.; Colonel Hunt, 12-10-dr.
Time—2:19¼, 2:19¾, 2:20¼, 2:20¼, 2:23.

Three-year-old pace, purse $300:
Oregon Hal, br c by Hal B.....(Dennis) 3 1 1
Sir Archibald, bl c by Ash Bud.....(McKay) 1 3 2
Arkancello, b c by General Watts.....(Edman) 2 2 0
Baron Cochato, bl c by Cochato.....(Chandler) 4 4 0
Time—2:23¼, 2:29¼, 2:25.

July 5—2:30 trot, purse $400:
Mamie O. C., b m by Fair Exchange.....1 1 1
Great Ivan, b g 6 2 2
May Harriman, b m 7 6 3
Fred R., Charlie Mars, California B. and Belle W. also started.
Time—2:19¼, 2:22¼, 2:20¼.

2:08 pace, purse $400:
College Gent, bl g by Kentucky Patterson .....(Barnes) 6 2 1 1 1
.....(Stantz) 2 3 3 2 2
Columbia Fire, b g.....(Williams) 3 5 6 4 3
Dan Mack, b g.....
Ovieda, Hal McKinney and Shadeline started. (Ovieda won the second heat, establishing a track mark of 2:10)
Time—2:12¼, 2:10, 2:11, 2:13, 2:15.

2:15 trot, purse $400:
Dr. Wayo, b s by Wilkhurst.....(Ward) 3 2 1 1 4
Merlo Mac, b m 2 3 4 2 5
Lord Duke 4 7 3 4 2
Bertha Carey, Tena G., Grand Chimes, Aubrey O. and Nat U Rich also started.
Best time—2:15¼.

2:13 pace, purse $400:
Trixie Bee, s m by Bee Gee.....(Sebastian) 2 4 1 1 1
Axcybetta, ch s .....(Aulger) 1 2 3 4 2
Danica, b m .....(Huber) 3 1 4 3 3
H. T. and Major Hardie started.
Best time—2:15.

WALTER MOORE PICKS HISTORY MAKERS AT CLEVELAND.

According to the reports emanating from the vicinity of the North Randall track at Cleveland where the Grand Circuit for the season of 1915 opens next week there are more high class horses quartered there at present than at any time in its history. The west has sent a number of excellent stables, whose personnel and performance are fully known to our readers, and from all other quarters of the country have gathered tens and dozens and scores and hundreds of the best trotters and pacers ever brought together, the number now on deck being in excess of the three hundred mark.

With such an array of talent in evidence, the pencil pushers of our eastern contemporaries have had much to write about of late, quite a bit of their comment having previously filled their western engagements on the scissors circuit by appearing in these columns. Of the various news letters from the Ohio speedway, however, none have been more interesting than that of Walter Moore in the current issue of the Horse Review, from which are gleaned the following paragraphs concerning the "six best bets" for the future's history makers:

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At a track where there are more than 300 horses at work there is sure to be some chaff among the wheat, but I think it is the unanimous opinion of the North Randall visitors and watch-holders on work-out days, that more good horses can be seen here now than was ever noted among a like number. I asked a number of experts to name six of the ones most likely to make turf history this year, or the stars of the day now at work at North Randall. The list was made prior to the arrival of the Murphy stable, and here it is in the order of their estimate: Volga (2), sister of Peter Volo (3) 2:03½, Billy Andrews' futurity two-year-old; Peter Mac (4) 2:10½, by Peter the Great, owned by Capt. David Shaw and trained by Mike McDevitt; William p. (4) 2:00, owned by A. E. Van Atta of Otterbein, Ind., trained by W. W. ("Billy") Marvin of Lafayette, Ind.; Atlantica (2), by Atlantic Express 2:08¼, dam The Huntress (dam of Margaret Druien (4) 2:05¼), by Onward Silver, owned by Hillanddale Farm, Lexington, Ky., and trained by John Dickerson; The Toddler (4), by Kentucky Todd, trained by Harry Stinson, and Single G. p. (4) 2:07¼, by Anderson Wilkes, owned by W. B. Barefoot, Cambridge City, Ind., and trained by Curt Gosnell.

All of my experts placed Volga first by many points. One said she can do as much or more right now than Peter Volo could at the same age and time. John Dickerson said: "She is the greatest two-year-old yet foaled. She can jog a mile in 2:10. I thought I had a great filly, the best one I had ever seen, when I left Lexington, but, pshaw, Volga will lose my filly if she stays in form." This is about her story. She is, as stated, an own sister of Peter Volo, two years younger, by Peter the Great, dam Nervolo Belle, by Nervolo p. 2:04¼, grandam Josephine Knight by Betterton 8022, son of George Wilkes 2:22; third dam Mambrino Beauty (dam of H. R. Hiatt, sire of Uncle William 2:07¼) by Mambrino King. I learned this week, and believe it has never been in print, that Nervolo Belle paced in 2:11 as a two-year-old for Scott Hudson. She is already the dam of three, and her breeding shows that while Volga and Peter Volo may have a dam by a pacer, she might be expected, both on breeding and self-ability, to produce champions as she has.

Volga is named for a river in Russia. A medium sized, burnt chestnut in color, with a reddish mane and tail, many of her shades of chestnut resembling those seen in Independence Boy p. 2:01½, but all my experts liken her to Lou Dillon p. 1:58½ in poise and color. Unfortunately for me, I did not get to see her work, but she is described as a noiseless eight-cylinder type of trotter, with a head full of trot, which makes trotting to her as easy as play. She is a little straight on her front ankles, and very straight legged behind, but as sound and fresh as new. She is ready for speed with 7-oz. shoes and 2-oz. weights forward, and plain light shoes behind. Her best work is a mile in 2:14½, a separate half in 1:03¼, and a quarter in :30½, but mind you, she can do a lot more if allowed to.

The next among the six greatest was made so by the rain of Wednesday, forcing the trainers to work over the wet-weather half-mile track. Mike McDevitt came out with Peter Mac (4) 2:10½, while the track was crowded with horses and a rather large harrow was also taking up the pole position as it traveled around. Peter went away in a hurry, passing the harrow near the quarter pole, gliding on around among the horses. When he started around the first turn the second time, he swerved out as if to take up, but Mike sighted him on around the turn, turning him rather abruptly when fully out to fourth place. Down the back stretch he was tearing along and finished not forced, but rating right along. A crowd of onlookers near the gate, among them "Doc" Tanner, thought to joke Mike by declaring the mile much faster than they supposed it had been trotted. In unison they announced 2:11¼ as their time, expecting a strong denial from Michael, and he did look surprised, but from another angle, as his timer registered 2:10 1-5, while from the timers' stand rushed Mr. Hopkins and showed his timer, which registered 2:09 4-5, and Mike had the laugh on the fun makers. The track was not fast, in appearance, and the conditions of the work well out in the track around harrows and other interferences made it look to the entire party like the most remarkable mile ever trotted over a half-mile track. He is a very fine type of race trotter. Fortunately, I think, for the other stake trotters, Peter is not staked and will not be raced this year.

The next of the selected six was William p. 2:00, chosen on account of his looks and work since coming to North Randall, June 14. The first horseof real interest that I noticed work on my arrival at the track was William. The critics said he is great and Marvin has discarded seven ounces from each front shoe. He is bigger, stronger and lighter gaited. About that time Marvin worked him in 2:10 as easily as a Packard goes 10 miles an hour. The next time he came out, Marvin asked Billy Andrews to work him a mile. "How fast?" asked Andrews. "About 2:07½," said Marvin. "I won't miss it a quarter of a second," said Andrews. The mile was in 2:05½, last half in 1:00, last quarter in :29½, with Andrews laying back among the cushions.

For the first time in a long acquaintance with Marvin I saw him show a little animation as he said: "That's the first time I ever saw the colt" (meaning William—not Andrews) "at speed." He had previously been in 2:04½, last half in 1:00, last quarter in :28, so you san see that he has some whiz right now."

Then I investigated the shoeing story, and here it is from the cradle up. Unlike most any pacer in the books, William wanted to trot when shod light, even when being started as a two-year-old, he at one time carried 24 ounce shoes and 4 ounce weights. Think of that for a two-year-old pacer. When he first started as a three-year-old at Terre Haute, he had on 13 ounce shoes and 3 ounce weights and finished the season in 10 ounce shoes and the same weights. Last year he opened the season at North Randall with 10 ounce shoes and 3 ounce weights, and finished the season with 8½ ounce shoe and 3 ounce weight. In order to accnustom him to lighter weight, Marvin kept about the same weight on him all winter, and today he carries a 6½ ounce shoe and a 2 ounce weight—so the great reduction in weight is partly a myth. Marvin stated that William was in good health, which was apparent; that he thought he had gained a little in strength, and that Detroit would be his first start, when a comparison with his 1914 form could be made, which is a characteristically conservative statement of the champion's trainer.

Atlantica, John Dickerson's two-year-old filly, I would put next in the list of six greats, as she is a grand one. I believe she trotted a half in 1:06½ at Lexington, but if Volga was out of the way, would stand out among the two-year-olds. She has only been in 2:23 at North Randall, but will be let down the first good day and track.

Harry Stinson's Toddler, fifth on my list, worked twice in 2:10, and on his three-year-old mile last fall in 2:07¼, must stand in the compliment receiving line.

The last is my own selection and is based somewhat on what I saw him do as a three-year-old, and it is Single G. p. 2:07¼. He worked the Cambridge City, Ind., track before coming here in 2:10, last quarter in :29, but 2:13 is his best since arriving at North Randall. He is one that has been rather radically changed in his shoeing, as he has always gone with a much heavier shoe behind than in front, finishing the season last year with 8 ounces behind and 5 ounces in front. Now Gosnell has him shod with 4½ ounce shoes all around. He has had a lot of work this winter, many moderate miles this spring, and is probably better fitted than at any time in his life.

PETALUMA MATINEE.

[Exchange.]

A large crowd of devotees of light harness racing attended the races Sunday at Kenilworth Park given under the auspices of the Petaluma Driving Club. An excellent day's sport was furnished and much enthusiasm was manifested. The track was in good condition and several fair miles were reeled off.

The first race, 2:40 class mixed, was a tame event. Lady O, driven by Will Offutt, outclassed Nutwood Demonio and Nig, winning both heats and the race by a city block. The time was 2:41 and 2:38.

The second race, 2:25 class mixed, was a more thrilling affair and was won by Springtime. In the first heat Alameda Maiden driven by Jack Grimes led until the half mile pole was reached with Glenwood and Springtime close up. Alameda Maiden broke when her chances for winning looked propitious. Glenwood then assumed the lead and maintained it until the home stretch was reached. In a drive down the stretch Springtime won the heat in 2:30, Alameda Maiden was a tolerable third, Tom Mc was a poor fourth. Alameda Maiden took the second heat from Glenwood and Springtime in a furious drive down the home stretch. Time, 2:27. Springtime captured the third heat and the race from Glenwood with ease. Alameda Maiden ruined what chances she had of winning by making a bad break at the first turn. The time made was 2:29.

Glenwood Mc, the speedy son of By Mack, and Lady Glenway, driven by Jack Grimes, won from Clara C. and Petaluma Girl in straight heats. Time, 2:19, 2:19. Glenwood Mc won the first heat with Petaluma Girl second and Clara C. third with ridiculous ease. He was forced to extend himself in the second heat. Clara C., driven by Joe Ryan, led until Glenwood Mc overhauled her and won in a driving finish by half a length.

NORTHWESTERN CLASSES CLOSING AUGUST 1.

Owing to the fact that on June first a number of classes throughout the North Pacific Fair Circuit failed to fill, there are yet many opportunities open to western horsemen to make entry in excellent purses on August first, the closing date for the events yet open at several points, and on August thirteenth, when Salem closes.

First to be raced among the meetings where entries may yet be made, is the program at Vancouver, B. C., to be given in connection with the Vancouver Exhibition, August 14 to 21, the purses for trotters and pacers reaching a total of $5,500. The colt classes, which include a mixed event for two-year-olds and races for three-year-old trotters and pacers, respectively, are limited to babies bred and owned in Washington, Oregon, British Columbia, Montana, Idaho and Utah, but for aged horses the following events are open to all comers: 2:30 trot or pace, $500; 2:20 trot or 2:25 pace, $500; 2:25 trot, $1,000; 2:15 trot or 2:18 pace, $500; 2:15 pace, $1,000; 2:10 trot or 2:06 pace, $500; free-for-all trot or pace, $500. H. S. Rolston is the secretary, and the track holds membership in the American Association. In the face of every discouragement, our Canadian friends are doing their best to keep the sport alive, and they deserve the support of every horseman who can possibly arrange his campaign to include this meeting.

At Spokane, where Geo. P. Larsen is ably filling the post of secretary so long held by Bob Cosgrove, only one of the early closers filled, the 2:25 pace, leaving seven events to close on August first, all for purses of $750 and all on the three-heat plan. For trotters the classes are 2:11, 2:15, 2:18 and 2:25, and for pacers 2:11, 2:15 and 2:18, thus giving owners a good chance to race most members of their stable. The fact that Walla Walla and Spokane race during the same week need in no way deter horsemen from making entries at both points, as classes programmed on Monday at Walla Walla will be raced at Spokane on Thursday, and so on through the week, special arrangements having been made for quick transportation of horses between the two cities. The track at Spokane was never better, according to the boys training there at present, and the policies pursued in the past by Mr. Cosgrove in making the Interstate Fair popular with horsemen are being steadfastly observed by Mr. Larsen.

At Salem, which is the most pretentious meeting in the northwest and is also the last "big noise" before the fall meeting at the exposition, the open events range from $300 to $2000 in value, from slow classes to free-for-alls, the program having been recently reviewed at length in these columns, and appearing elsewhere in the present issue. W. Al Jones is the secretary to whose activities the Salem program owes its chances for success, and who will be glad to furnish inquiring horsemen with all information desired. Both the Salem and Spokane associations belong to the N. T. A.

CALIFORNIA'S INTERESTS AT NORTH RANDALL.

While harness horse activities on the Pacific Coast are at a very low ebb this season, the Grand Circuit opens Monday at the North Randall track under highly favorable conditions which point to a most successful season on the big line. In almost every instance the fields are large and well balanced, and the entrants in every event have shown "class" of a high order in their training or previous engagements.

The west is well represented, and in addition to locally owned horses that are in evidence there are many others that were wintered in California or raced at the June meeting at the exposition, so that the "stay at homes" this side of the big divide will watch the proceedings on the eastern tracks with unusually keen interest. The following brief synopsis of the daily programs gives the events in which our friends are entered:

Monday—2:08 trot, The Duchess; 2:07 pace, Rastus and Rose Equity; The Edwards, 2:10 pace, Hal Boy, O. U. C., The Beaver and Walnut Grove; Forest City Sweepstakes, two-year-old trotters, Anvilite.

Tuesday—2:19 trot, Loe Blossom; 2:12 pace, Hedgewood Patchen and Imbro.

Wednesday, 2:11 trot, Adbell M., Laramie Lad and Tom Smith; The Ohio, 2:09 trot, Albaloma, Alberta Dillon, Baby Doll, Mahomet Watts, McCloskey and Peter McCormick; 2:09 pace, Fleeta Dillon.

Thursday—The Tavern "Steak," for trotters that never beat 2:14¼ in a race, Laramie Lad and Seneca Boy; 2:17 trot, The Proof and Tropic Dawn.

Friday—2:05 trot, Star Winter; 2:21 trot, Loe Blossom.

The western contingent is, of course, up against the very best horses that the whole country affords, but if they stood the ship and change of climate in any sort of decent shape the whole fields are not going to finish ahead of them in any of the events.

Ovieda 2:05, the fast Idaho mare campaigned by Warren Dennis, set the track record at Kearney, Neb., in the 2:10 hole but failed to win her race.

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Bob Sebastian is giving a good account of himself down in the Central West, his horses grabbing first money about as regularly as those of anybody's stable, and very seldom ranking too far down to be in on the cash distribution.

RACES AT HEMET TODAY

The "open season" for neighborhood race meetings in Southern California is generally well along by this time, but the absence of the Durfee stable from Los Angeles has probably been the cause of the failure of the horsemen of that city to stage their customary July record meeting, Hemet stepping in ahead of them by putting on a modest card today. Two races are scheduled, and perhaps a few youngsters may be marked, the entries to the competitive event being reported by Secretary McFarland as follows:

2:18 pace, purse $50—Walter C., b h by Carpus-Thoroughbred, Geo. A. Schumacher; Fiesta Lou, b g by Wilbur Lou—Fiesta Queen by On Stanley, Hemet Stock Farm; Nealon, b g by Worth While—Nealy W. by Geo. W. McKinney, Frank Rees, Agent.

2:30 trot, purse $50—Pico Boy, br g by Zombro—by Hancock J., Bruce Morris; Don de Lopez, bl c by Kinney de Lopez—Eradiate by Geo. W. McKinney, Hemet Stock Farm; Sleepy Dick, b g breeding unknown, Geo. A. Schumacher, Agent; Crisis, br g by Zombro, Gilbert Spence.

TOMORROW'S MATINEE CARD.

The matinee program arranged by the San Francisco-California Driving Club for their regular weekly event tomorrow afternoon at the exposition track has an "intercity" air, owing to the presence of the stables of Messrs. Harry Cowell and Charley Silva, who are leading an expeditionary force from Sacramento. Five good races have been filled, the classes and entries being as follows:

2:15 pace—Emma M., Wm. Malough; Tom Murphy, E. T. Ayres; Palitea, John Kremer; Senator H., J. H. Kidd; Hamburg Belle, J. Ginocchio; King Pointer, H. Campodonico.

Free-for-all trot—Muggins, H. Cohen; J. C. Simpson, F. Goularte; St. Patrick, J. J. Ryan; Kinney Lou Jr., H. S. Durfee; John Mack, S. H. Cowell; Kid Cupid, Chas. Silva.

Free-for-all pace, special, cup presented by Luke Marisch—George Woodward, S. H. Cowell; Dick W., A. Ottinger; John Malcolm, Chas. Silva; W. J. K., W. J. Kenney.

2:12 pace—Bradmont, G. J. Giannini; Delilah, F. Goularte; Happy Dentist, J. J. Ryan; Pointer Belle, Kidd & Luce.

2:22 mixed—Rosie O., J. J. Ryan; Victor Pointer, D. W. Keating; Aerolite Jr., R. Roberts; J. V., Joe Vermet; Peaches, F. E. Burton.

THOROUGHBRED BREEDERS PROGRESSING.

The gentlemen composing the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association have held numerous meetings and conferences of late, with the result that the plans for their proposed running meeting to be held at the exposition track during the thirty days immediately following August 21 are beginning to assume definite form. Six races a day will be carded, the minimum daily offering being a total of not less than two thousand dollars, with the offerings on special days running generously in excess of that figure. Special events for gentlemen riders and army men will add variety and interest to the program occasionally, and the members of the association look forward to the deriving of much pleasure from the meeting, though they have small hope of profit.

With pari-mutuel betting in full swing under state sanction, the thirty day meeting at Reno begins this afternoon with plenty of horses present, from all reports, to assure good sport and plenty of it, seven races daily constituting the regular offering. The track is said to be a good one, though not especially commodious, its narrowness causing the fields to be limited to ten starters. Twelve machines and a like number of cashiers have been installed and speculators can get any sort of action they wish, straight, place or show, at sums ranging from two to ten dollars. A good many of the local followers of the game are in attendance, and the success or failure of the venture will be watched by California horsemen with considerable interest.

Jud Smith and May Davis haven't appeared at the head of a summary yet this season, but "old man Bud," who looks after the family's affairs, generally has business with the paymaster on getaway day just the same, and before many weeks go by the chestnut mare and her youthful teamster will be levying a little heavier assessments, unless our dope is all wrong.

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William G. Durfee and Mrs. Durfee, who have been making their home at the Matsonia Apartments in this city since May, started for Los Angeles one morning this week in their car, which William pilots with the same sang froid—(blame this on the Review)—with which he teams a winner under the wire in a big field. Since the close of the June meeting the Durfees have been taking in the exposition and having a good rest with local friends, their protracted sojourn causing some little anxiety among "home folks" in Los Angeles, some of whom claim they have not heard from Will since he won that twenty thousand stake. However, they'll find him the "same old boy" as ever when he does show up, and the worst luck we can wish him is that he repeat in the fall.

The bell rings Monday at Cleveland.

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Did you see that list of entries at Omaha? Nothin more encouraging has been noted in a month Sundays.

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William's mile in 2:04½ and that last half in 1:0 and quarter in :28 make him look like a better hors than ever. There is a rumor that he may chang hands.

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Fred Ward was among those who got some of th cash at the California reunion at Kearney, being firs with Dr. Wayo, second with Great Northern, an fourth with El Bel Maden.

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Henry Delaney is getting a number of horses read for the coming Ventura County Fair, and the wire less reports that all Henry's pupils leave in thei trail is a large vacant place in the atmosphere.

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The Australian papers continue to say nice things about Don Pronto 2:02¼, which is right and proper and entirely fitting. The breeding season there begins shortly and the Don's book is being rapidly filled.

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It is a hard matter for the Cedar Valley Circuit speed merchants to keep H. E. Armstrong from "horning in" whenever the secretary goes to settle up, as The Empress and Hal J. are staying in the money mighty consistently.

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Our auburn haired friend Barney Barnes and our old college chum College Gent headed the summary in the 2:08 pace at Kearney. The Gent still bears that reputation of never having been behind the money, and bids fair to carry it through the season.

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W. R. Murphy, who for a long time conducted a sale stable in Los Angeles and maintained training quarters at Exposition Park in that city, is now at the track at Santa Ana with a stable of ten head, including a pair of green trotters by Carlokin that can 2:15 now, a three-year-old by Red McK. that can trot in 2:18, a good green pacer by Del Coronado 2:09½, a green trotter by Don Reginaldo that has worked for him in 2:20, the aged trotter Danube 2:12¼ that can still trot close to his record or better, and a number of youngsters just "coming along."

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Katalina 2:11¼, recently purchased by A. Albright Jr. of Newark, has been sent to Col. Ruppert's establishment at Poughkeepsie and has been bred to the great young sire Guy Axworthy 2:08¾, whose star is rapidly rising in the east. Zulu Belle, who was bred to Carlokin prior to her shipment east, has been tried regularly since her arrival at her new home and has so far refused to take service, leading Mr. Albright to have well grounded hope that she caught to the cover of the Durfee premier, in which case he would become owner of a youngster bred like the coast's champion futurity winner, Esperanza (3) 2:09.

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Wee Willie Van Atta, past master of the Golden Gate David Harum Association and presiding genius of the local organization of practical jokesmiths, is spending a few weeks at Calistoga Springs, indulging in a well earned rest and recuperating from the strain attendant upon carrying three hundred and some odd pounds daily to a vantage point in the grandstand during the exposition races. He is imbibing generous quantities of the famous health giving waters and all will doubtless go well unless he accidentally loses his grip and falls into the spring, in which case the high tide in Napa Creek will entirely obscure the recent activities of Mt. Lassen's pet rivulet, the Hat.

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The people of Denver seem stuck on a straight running meeting as is evidenced by the twenty-day season of good racing which closed on Monday of last week. The attendance ranged all the way from 5,000 to 15,000 and the sport was clean as it has a license to be under the pari-mutuel system of betting, which eliminates the bookmaker and makes it a percentage game for the association. The promoters of the show have cleaned up nearly $200,000 on the doings. There was some rough riding in the early days of the meeting but the judges dealt summarily with the offenders so that in the outcome the horses were not bothered in the running, although Jockey Molesworth was set down on the last day for bunching John Graham, the stable mate of Loftus, so he might win the Independence handicap for a mile. Judges P. A. Brady and A. T. Dobson were on the alert for anything that appeared to be shady and kept the racing end of it clean and above board. Starter Edward Tribe's work was something phenomenal and we never saw a better man at the barrier. His position was a trying one when it is considered the material with which he had to work. The ponies were here from all over the United States and it is certainly a commentary that of all the entrants not one was bred or owned in Colorado, which shows how our breeding operations have been kangarooed. Most of the caravan pulled out this week for Reno, Nevada, where a twenty-day meeting will open on the 17th, and then they will go to San Francisco for thirty days at the Panama beginning on August 20th.—Field and Farm.

BUILDING THE HORSE BARN.

Some excellent suggestions in the stable construction are to be found in an article in The Farmer's Advocate, some of them being here reproduced.

Any horse, young or old, light or heavy, work or pleasure, will do better and be more comfortable in a box stall than tied in a single one, but while we recognize the impracticability of providing a box stall for each horse, we wish to emphasize the fact that no stable can aid to approach completeness without one or more box stalls—more if possible, but at least one. It is necessary in case of sickness, lameness, or any case where a horse accustomed to regular work is to have a few days of idleness. In the latter cases, it has a great tendency to prevent diseases of various kinds that are liable to result under such conditions unless the amount of food be materially reduced. When in a box stall, a horse takes considerable exercise, which, when he is healthy, idle and well fed is necessary in order to retain health. It is convenient for the pregnant mare during the winter months, and necessary during the latter stages of pregnancy, and especially necessary during parturition, and afterwards until the weather will permit of dam and foal being left on pasture.

As regards the size of box stalls, we may say they cannot be too large—the larger the better; 10 by 12 feet is a fair size; even eight by eight feet is better than none.

Single stalls may be too wide, in which case there is danger of the horse rolling and becoming halter cast. At the same time they may be too narrow, which leaves too little room for the groom to do the necessary work besides the horse in the stall, and also prevents the horse from lying in comfort. For ordinary-sized horses, stalls should be at least five feet wide and not more than six feet. Stalls built for very small or very large horses may be smaller or larger according to their specific purposes. The stalls should be about nine feet deep, exclusive of mangers, and the partitions should be strong and about seven feet high, especially in front, and may slant backwards to four or five feet. The ceiling should be nine to ten feet high. Having decided upon the number, kind, sizes and arrangement of stalls and passages, the necessary size of the building can be determined.

Ventilation is a very important point that in many cases gets very little attention and is more a matter of accident than of plan. In mild weather, ventilation is not difficult, but in cold weather it involves a question of temperature. Provision for the removal of contaminated air and for the introduction of fresh air into the stable, which air must be artificially warmed either before or after its introduction, must be made. Perfect ventilation consists in the removal of foul air as soon as it is formed and at the same time replacing it with an equal amount of fresh air at the required temperature. This is practically impossible, and we must be satisfied with something less than perfection. When air is warmed it has a tendency to expand hence it becomes lighter and ascends, and is replaced by cooler air, which either descends from above or is introduced from below. The heat from the bodies of the animals and the air expelled from the lungs warms the air in immediate contact with the animal, hence this air ascends and if arrangements are correct will escape from the stable. The problem then is to introduce fresh air without drafts and without materially lowering the temperature. As heat expands the air, it necessarily follows that the spaces or openings for its escape from the stable should be somewhat larger than those through which the fresh air is admitted. It is estimated that it requires about 25 square inches of space to allow entrance for sufficient air for each horse and that the space allowed for exit should be about one-eighth larger. It would not be wise to make an inlet and an outlet for each animal; at the same time a number of each gives better results than one of each which by the estimate would be sufficient for all. There are many different systems of ventilation. One system to raise the temperature of the air entering the stable is to conduct by an underground pipe for a considerable distance before reaching the stable. This system, on account of the cost and the fact that unless there be a wind to force air into the pipe through the cowl that stands up a few feet above ground at its commencement, insufficient air will not be introduced, is not often adopted. In most cases there are several inlets on each side of the building, two or three feet above the floor. If the building be brick, stone or concrete, these are generally of tile; if a wooden building, they are also of wood. The total capacity of these inlets is much greater than the space actually required and they are arranged with shut-offs, so that if the wind be strong those on the windy side can be partially or wholly closed and the necessary air can enter through those on the other side. So far as the outlets are concerned, it is wise to figure about what capacity is needed and divide this into as many as is considered necessary. These are made of lumber, and placed along the walls and in the ceiling. Those along the walls should have an opening three or four feet from the ceiling and another at the ceiling. In some cases, several of these pipes are conducted to a common center just below the ridge of the roof, where an opening of sufficient size extends through the roof, and, of course, is protected by a structure built on the ridge and arranged with slats so placed that while it allows escape of the air it will not allow too free entrance of air in case there be a high wind. Probably the better plan is to have each pipe open individually just under the eaves. This practically prevents the entrance of cold air, as it is practically protected from the effects of wind. As stated, there are many systems of ventilation, but all are designed for the same purpose, and many differences of opinion exist as to which give the best results.

The site of the building is supposed to be such that drainage from the outside is natural or easily provided. The removal of liquids from the inside must be then considered. In most cases, this is left to soakage of the bedding, and removal by fork or broom; and when we consider that this gives reasonable satisfaction and that any regular system of drainage is expensive and demands a lot of attention, we may be be inclined to trust to the former. A system can be arranged by having iron troughs behind the horses, by being covered by perforated iron flat pieces on a level with the floor. The doors of the box stalls being hopper-shaped, with a grating in the center through which the liquids are conveyed into the iron pipes, which, with the troughs, incline to a given center, from which an iron pipe passes out of the building and empties into a cesspool, from which the liquid can be pumped into a wagon tank and drawn to the fields and used as a fertilizer. When this system is used, it must be flushed out occasionally and the perforations opened up, else the whole system will become clogged, as the flow of liquids is not sufficient to carry with them the solids that enter.

Few horsemen will deny that wood is the best material for a horse to stand and lie on. Bricks and stone are very hard on the shoes and it is impossible to keep horses sharp-shod in winter time, and if a horse has the habit of pawing he is very likely to injure his feet. In addition, unless bedding is plentifully supplied, floors of this kind are uncomfortable to lie upon. Cement floors have largely the same objectionable points, and in addition are very slippery. Earthern floors are probably the better for the feet, as they provide a certain amount of moisture; but it is impossible to keep them dry and clean and avoid odors and filth, and if the horse paws or stands largely in one place it is not possible to keep it level. The ideal stable floor consists in a cement floor deeply creased in both directions in the passageway, the floor of the single stalls about two inches higher in front than behind, then covered with plank; the cement in the box stalls also given a slight incline towards the passageway and covered with plank. The incline in either stall should not be greater than sufficient to ensure the liquids running towards the passage. Have the floors as nearly level as possible.

Many stables are poorly lighted. There should be a sufficient number of windows to light all parts thoroughly. A number of small windows is probably better than a few large ones. They should be on both sides of the stable, so high that when the sun shines the rays will not strike on the horses' eyes and so arranged that they can be partially or wholly opened, either by sliding into the wall or hinged at the bottom, so that they can drop inwards to allow entrance of air and wind, and when those on both sides are opened will create a draft that tends to lower the temperature in hot weather and at the same time the draft is so high that it will not strike the horses.

There is no question about the fact that the ideal manner of feeding both grain and hay is off the floor, but so far as grain is concerned this is not practical, as in order to do so a movable grain box must be used and when placed before the horse with grain in it an attendant must remember to remove the box when the grain is eaten, else the animal will in all probability paw the box and probably hurt himself. It would prove very inconvenient to have this attendant always on hand, hence it is necessary to have a stationary feed box at the proper height. As regards hay, it is different. If the horse be fed only the amount he will eat, he will soon learn that he must not paw it back under his feet. But if given more than he wants, he will of course render the remainder unfit for the next meal. Most teamsters are not satisfied unless their horses have hay before them at all times. This is a mistake, but a fact nevertheless, and on this account it is probably wise to have mangers in single stalls. Elevated racks of any kind are undesirable; a horse should not need to elevate his head to reach the hay. Mangers should not be higher than the horse's breast and should not be so deep as to render it necessary for him to cause pressure upon his breast in order to reach the bottom of the manger with his mouth. At the same time they should be boarded to the stall floor; no place should be left at the bottom into which there would be a possibility of him getting his feet while rising or under any conditions, hence there should be a false bottom in the manger; better if this be made of slats and removable, so that it can be lifted and the seeds, dust, etc., removed. In horse stalls there should be a stationary box for feeding grain, but there should be no manger or rack for hay. Here the animal can follow the hay, and if not given much more than is good for him, there will be no waste.

The ordinary system of hanging the harness in the stable behind the horses or on the stall posts is convenient, and while it gives reasonable satisfaction it is better to have a dry and well-ventilated compartment outside the stable proper or even a closet in the stable. This protects the harness from moisture and the gases that form, especially in poorly-ventilated stables. Both the leather and the mountings continue to look better and will last longer under these conditions. While probably the convenience of the ordinary method may warrant its adoption for the work harness, there certainly should be a separate compartment in which to keep the good harness, whether heavy or light. While we don't claim to have suggested anything new in the construction of horse stables, nor that the ideas we have given are the only good ones, nor even the best, we hope that they may cause prospective builders to think and acquire the knowledge they can before adopting plans.

JEFFERSON (IOWA).

Jefferson, Iowa, July 1.

2:30 trot, purse $400:
Miss Parkwood, br f (3) by Parkwood..(Midbo) 1 1 5
Grey Rex, gr g by Galileo Rex.....(Thompson) 3 3 1
Bob Lee, b g by Baron B.....(Hammond) 2 2 6
Minnie Osten, b m by Cecilian Bells....(Galfield) 5 4 2
Ben Nutwood, 6-5-3; Byron W., 4-6-4.
Time—2:17¼, 2:15¼, 2:21¼.

2:1 8trot, purse $400:
Sure Mike, b h by Peter W.....(Kelly) 1 1 1
Sweetwood, b m by Nowood.....(Casey) 3 2 2
Eva Moore, ch m by Russellmore.....(Pike) 2 5 4
Deocy, ch g by Little Corporal.....(Thompson) 4 3 3
Kemo S., 5-4-5.
Time—2:16¼, 2:17¾, 2:21.

2:17 pace, purse $400:
Joe Joe, b g by Baron Beautiful...(Hammond) 1 1 1
Starbrook, b g by Ashbrook.....(Crow) 2 2 2
Belle Rex, b m by Rex Guard.....(Emerson) 3 3 4
Kimberly Patchen, bl h by Jim S. Patchen (Kelly) 7 7 3
Legal Heir, 4-4-5; Lady Rally, 6-5-6; Silvia Maurine, 5-6-7.
Time—2:13¼, 2:13½, 2:13¼.

July 2—2:08 pace, purse $400:
Gypsy Margrave, ro m by Margrave.....(Taylor) 1 1 1
Franklin Pierce, br g by Avoca Wilkes....(Pike) 2 2 4
Belle Rex, b m by Rex Guard.....(Emerson) 3 3 2
May Davis, ch m by Borado.....(Smith) 4 4 3
Time—2:13¼, 2:16¼, 2:16¼.

Three-year-old 2:30 trot, purse $400:
Miss Parkwood, br f by Parkwood.....(Midbo) 1 1 1
Last Sheet, b f by Mainsheet.....(Thomas) 2 2 2
Azoff, Jr., ch c by Azoff.....(Colbert) 3 3 3
Pacwa, b c by Pactolus.....(Crawford) 4 4 4

July 3—2:14 trot, purse $400:
Billy Mead, b g by Medyone.....(Emerson) 1 1 1
Jim O'Shea, bl g by McKiver.....(Garen) 2 2 2
Sure Mike, b h by Peter W.....(Kelly) 3 5 3
The Spartan Queen, br m by The Spartan.....(Thompson) 5 3 5
Forest King, 4-4-4.
Time—2:13¼, 2:13½, 2:13¼.

2:13 pace, purse $400:
Hedgewood Lad, br h by Hedgewood Boy (Taylor) 1 1 2
The Sheriff, b g by Royal Sprague.....(Midbo) 6 4 1
Sir Shelby, br h by The Searcher.....(Myers and Thomas) 2 2 3
Grey Eagle, gr g.....(Pike) 3 3 6
Annona, 4-5-4; Kimberly Patch, 5-6-5.
Time—2:12¼, 2:09¼, 2:14¼.

2:25 pace, purse $400:
Red Rose, b m by Constantine.....(Casey) 3 1 1
Minnequah Princess, bl m by Primrose McKinney.....(Thomas) 1 5 2
Lucile De Forest, b m by The De Forest (Colbert) 2 4 7
Prickly Pear, br g by Hal McKay.....(Pike) 5 2 6
Black Della, 6-3-5; Billy the Kid, 7-7-3; Rexie, 4-6-4.
Time—2:14¼, 2:17½, 2:20.

STANTON, NEB.

July 2.—2:25 pace, purse $300:
Brown Betty, br m by John Marshall..(Best) 6 1 1 1
Eva Direct, s m by Hard Direct..(Ceiderburg) 1 2 2 3
Shady Mac, b m.....(Shoemaker) 2 3 3 2
Bessie Winfield, bl m.....(Whitton) 3 4 4 4
Billy R., 5-5-5-6; Baron Wizard, 4-6-6-5; Blue Boy, 7-dr.
Time—2:21¼, 2:19¼, 2:20¾, 2:22.

2:30 trot, purse $300:
Nell Fellows, b m by Walnut Hall....(Russell) 2 1 1 1
Christy Chimes, b m by Esse.....(Snyder) 1 2 2 2
Victor Bufferton, b m.....(Graham) 3 3 3 3
Valentine Smoot, b s.....(Eaglesfield) 4 4 ds
Sea Maid, dis.; Josephine Brandt, dis.
Time—2:29¼, 2:30, 2:29¼, 2:29¼.

2:15 pace, purse $300:
Rustic Patenter, bl s by Rustic Wood.....(Hair) 1 1 1
Ben Norval, b g.....(Hart) 2 2 2
Allator, b s.....(Stone) 3 3 3
Joe Joe, blk g.....(Laughlin) 4 5 2
Shady Butterfly, 5-4-4; Olive Hitt, 6-6-6; Doctor H., 7-7-dr.
Time—2:18¼, 2:17¼, 2:18.

July 3—2:19 pace, purse $300:
Bob Strong, b g by George Strong.....(Snyder) 1 1 1
Don W., b g.....(Ceiderburg) 2 2 3
Miss Logan (2), b m.....(Russell) 4 3 2
Freda G., b m.....(Shoemaker) 3 4 4
Dolly Dew, 6-6-6; Reba R., 7-5-5; Bessie Winfield, 5-dr.
Time—2:16¼, 2:18¼, 2:17.

2:20 trot, purse $300:
John Emerson, b s by Renos Baby.....(Stone) 2 4 1 1
Empress, b m.....(Armstrong) 1 3 4 3
Chief, bl g.....(Hackler) 4 1 3 4
Checkhart, b g.....(Shoemaker) 3 2 2 2
Prince DeKayville, 5-5-6-6; Inn Archdale, 6-6-5-5.
Time—2:20, 2:20, 2:20, 2:19¼.

Free-for-all trot or pace, purse $300:
Bessie Bee, b m by Star Onward.....(Russell) 1 1 1
Hal J., b g.....(Armstrong) 2 2 2
Johnny Mills, bl g.....(Cox) 3 4 3
Irish Lad, b g.....(Friend) 4 3 4
Bertha Creighton, 6-6-5; Bill Barleycorn, 6-6-5.
Time—2:15, 2:14¼, 2:13¼.

NEWTON, IOWA.

July 5—2:30 trot, purse $400:
Nell Fellows, b m by Walnut Hall (Batchelder) 2 1 1
Bob Lee, b g by Baron B.....(Hammond) 1 2 2
Christy Chimes, b m by E. S. E.....(Snider) 4 4 3
Byron W., br s.....(Crawley) 5 3 4
Ben Nutwood, s g.....(Cowell) 3 5 dr
Time—2:18¼. 2:21¼. 2:22¼.

2:17 pace, purse $400:
Belle Rex, b m by Rex Gard.....(Emerson) 3 1 2
Legal Heir, b g by Heir at Law the Great (Pike) 1 7 3
Starbrook, b g.....(Myers) 4 4 1
Rollie, b g.....(Crowfard) 6 3 6
Jo Jo, b g.....(Hammond) 2 2 dr
Miss Logan, 5-5-4; Robert E., 7-6-5.
Time—2:15¼, 2:16¼, 2:17¼.

2:18 trot, purse $400:
Sweetwood, b m by Knowwood.....(Casey) 2 1 1
The Empress, b m by Stillwell.....(Armstrong) 1 3 3
Roy T., b g.....(Johnson) 5 2 2
Samson Muscovite, s g.....(Mottet) 4 5 4
Miss Parkwood, br m.....(Midbo) 6 4 6
Drift Rex, 8-6-5; Deocy, 7-8-7; Eva More, 3-7-dr.
Time—2:18¼, 2:19¼, 2:20½.

HOW TO BECOME A PRESIDING JUDGE.

Editor The Horseman: I notice that lately you have been giving much valuable advice regarding men who constitute the race track family, and for that reason I write to ask the conditions under which a presiding judge would become successful. I am an expert on pedigrees, and therefore think I would make a good one in the presiding game.—Yours, A. M. Aposer.

This is a very responsible position, and you should think seriously before undertaking it—that is, if you intend being a high-class presiding judge. Of course there are many grades of this species, some of which cause much levity when operating on the job; others cause the Lord's name to be taken in vain, not because they are efficient, but because of their fool actions and decisions. Both of these kinds are abundant and can be seen on many tracks.

Do not worry about knowing the rules, as these printed instructions were only framed to annoy people and not to improve racing. Some of the rules should be studied, however, because the discussion of them will give you an artificial air of knowledge, and to look wise is the most important adjunct of a presiding judge, except possibly a show of dignity; the latter, combined with a satisfied pose, makes an ideal judge. The best type of a presiding judge is one that has plenty of avoirdupois and that wears his clothes prodruding in front like a fat man; on this bay window should rest a large chain, decorated by a charm, all of which should eontain plenty of metal. A light suit and broad-brimmed hat help to make up a true conception of the big judge. A strong voice may help some.

There are a few small and thin men who have become fair presiding judges, but the specifications generally call for fat men, and this order should be filled to the letter to be impressive, so, if you are thin, commence to put on a 46 waist line.

You need not expect to have an easy job in any stand, as you will always have the company of at least two other gentlemen who are equally as learned as you are as regards the rules and will always agree to your decisions, providing you do not decide against a friend's horse, or if they have a bet down and your decisions would lose their money; then they are apt to make you look like Robinson Crusoe without his Friday. These associate judges are a cold-blooded lot and really go into the stand to father their own ends. They are generally selected for their standing in the community and not for their knowledge of the rules.

Politicians, boss barbers, big business men and any old thing that is a benefit to one or more of the fair officials, knowledge of racing rules being far away from their thoughts. Some of these associates are noted as posers, and you generally find them looking at the grandstand while the horses are racing on the back stretch, but they always see everything that happens outside of the race track.

You will have your hands full in handling these helpers (?) of yours. You must stand the brunt of all kicks and at all times be the "Angora"; in fact, you and the starter are held responsible for everything that happens, since both of you are drawing pay. Some of these helpers may become very officious and usurp your authority, so be good natured and let them do it, particularly if you want to go back another year; there will always be times, however, when you will come into your own. For instance, let a driver rush into the stand with fire in his eye, ready to eat somebody up. Your associates will fall over themselves to point you out, so that you can take the blame. But if a driver visits the stand wearing a smile your associates will divide the honors between them, and you must be satisfied with "taking the air."

You will have your own troubles when you punish a driver, particularly if he is prominent and you expect support from your associates. They will say that they did not notice anything wrong, and may even take you aside and plead the driver's cause, forgetting that they are judges, and if you assert your authority and stick to your first decision these associates will stick together and overrule you. The only thing for you to do is to pout and refuse to talk to them, and if they hand out peace offerings, in the form of cigars, don't take the smokes; just glare at them. Always be on the lookout for those associates who agree with everything you say and then, after the races are over, circulate among the crowd and say: "I did not see it that way and fought against it, but was overruled."

To be a good judge you should accept invitations from all horsemen racing at the meeting at which you are presiding. Take cigars, drinks, suppers, auto rides, or anything they offer, as it will have the effect of compelling you to give an unbiased opinion in their favor should you be called on. Be a good mixer, as it establishes the confidence of the people, particularly if you allow a driver to do as he pleases without punishment, after he has treated you to a big supper the night before, or else has introduced you to a bunch of his brood mares in the saloon the night before. This friendship should mean a semi-blindness to the driver's shortcomings in future races.

If you want to make yourself real strong as a just and unrelenting judge, borrow money from one or more drivers, and the fact that you owe them money is a strong argument that you will let them do as they please. You can do these friendly drivers a favor in a number of ways; for instance, if you are calling out the finishes, place the driver several positions in advance of where he belongs, and then be positive, not allowing any changes in your decisions—even the assisted driver will appreciate your staunchness and the inability to buy you. Many good presiding judges are swayed by these supper or booze-buying owners and drivers.

Some presiding judges never see anything wrong, no matter what is taking place in the races, and even if a driver is put over the fence or badly injured this mild-mannered saphead cannot tell you how it happened. The chances are he is working a side line, such as selling sulkies, harness, feed or other things, and he would not judge the wrongdoings of a possible customer. The fact that he is going to make a sale operates wonders in his feelings towards a rough-riding, foul-driving teamster, as because of a few dollars in sight he will throw down everybody else.

In some sections of the country it is customary for a presiding judge to take his orders from the pool-sellers, and his leniency is governed by reports from the betting ring. The president or other officials of the association may be heavy gamblers and will want the presiding judge's assistance in winning their money. Of course if the judge takes any money for helping out he is frowned upon as being crooked, yet he is expected to pull off shady decisions to help other crooked ones cash in theirs. If he will not help he is ruined in that locality; in fact, he is ruined anyway.

If a presiding judge rebates any fines he places he is said to stand in or is playing to the grandstand; the fact is, the average presiding judge is hired only to occupy so much space at so much per, and there his duties are supposed to end. Some judges, when their associates do not agree with them, leave the stand and refuse to serve; this act gives them plenty of publicity and at the same time gets them a lot of work next year. Another kind of good presiding judge is one who attempts to conduct everything in the stand, telling each one his duties and being very officious.

The amount of work expected of the average presiding judge would lead the layman to imagine that the job paid a fat salary, but, strange to say, many of these bumpers for others' misdoings have only a trip to show for their hard work, as the money remuneration is eaten up in expenses. Presiding judges can often put up strong bluffs by carrying field glasses, year books and blanks of various kinds, but this display of artificial knowledge does not fool the wise ones, because the chances are if you examined this outfit closely you would find the most important thing of a judge's outfit missing, and that is a "book of rules." Carrying such a book might show up his ignorance at some time during the meeting, and therefore he leaves it home.

Some presiding judges use their spare time during each day's racing to increase their popularity among the fair sex, and you can see these "chasers" with a different "fair face" each evening of their stay in town, and thus some of them are never anxious to play return dates to the same town, fearing unpleasant experiences that are prejudicial to the dignity of a judge. This kind of a judge is often compared to the sailor or traveling saleman.

It is so seldom that a presiding judge gets wise to crooked racing that, when he does, it is heralded all over the country. He stares at a field of horses racing, follows them closely with his eyes, but never sees anything; and if a driver makes a complaint of a foul, a dozen other people are questioned and then no decision is given, although the good judge should have seen such a glaring foul as was reported and should not have required witnesses to prove it. That bland, obsequious salute given by offending drivers pats the usual kind of judges down the back, as they are fooled, thinking the driver means humbleness, when the knight of the sulky is laughing up his sleeve.

We hope by this time you have gulped down the above pointers and have decided to occupy your usual place in the grandstand, allowing those blase individuals all the honor that goes with a presiding judge. Trouble comes soon enough without butting into it. Bye! Bye! Oh! Slush!—W. H. Shields, in the Horseman.

TEX RICKARD, CATTLE KING.

If the late A. Dumas had only known "Tex" Rickard he would have had a real doer of big things to write tales about, remarks a recent contributor to the Spokesman-Review.

Most people remember "Tex" as the man who put Goldfield, Nev., on the map by offering $30,000 to J. Gans and B. Nelson as a reward for their battle to decide the lightweight pugilistic championship of the world, or as the daring speculator who gave Jim Jeffries and the negro Johnson $101,000 to come out

But these things were mere amusements to Tex. They were just incidents to his busy life. He is one of the big and cheerful Americans that Kipling wrote about as maching Destiny for the beers.

Now he is one of the world's cattle kings, being at the head of a ranch in South America that is a real wonder.

"They've had me down now and then," said Tex in telling a few of his doings, "but they'll never count me out till they get me under ground."

Think of a tall, rangy, big-chinned, steel-jawed American, and you have a good picture of Rickard. His thin-lipped mouth shuts in a long, straight line. His eyes are bluish gray and steady as fixed stars. When he talks he does not "sling buckskin," as the westerners mockingly call the use of the dialect of the plains. He says his say in the fewest words possible and bites off his syllables crisply. There is no misunderstanding him. No one ever has to ask him to say anything over again. His words never miss the bullseye.

Down in the Chaco country, extending into Paraguay and the Argentine republic, he has a cattle ranch almost as big as the state of New Jersey. To be exact, it covers 7,000 square miles—a matter of 4,300,000 acres. On it he has 70,000 steers and cows, but hopes before long to make it a full 100,000. He thinks in millions and thousands are his units of measurement.

Rickard was born at Kansas City, Mo., on January 2, 1871, of a family of Illinois pioneers. In boyhood he drifted to Texas and punched cows at $30 per and found. While he was at it he learned all about cows and filed the information away in his never-slip memory. He worked up to Alaska, happened to lead the rush over the Chilkoot pass and became one of the pioneers of the Klondike. He helped to make Nome, too. Thence he dropped down to Nevada, long after the glorious days of the Comstock lode had faded to pale memories, and suddenly electrified the world with the wonders of Goldfield and the other new finds of the yellow gold.

He was christened George Lewis, but history won't know that. He was a witness in one of the Scheftels cases a few years ago before Judge Ray, who came from classic old Norwich, N. Y., to preside over the United States district court.

"'Tex'?" cried his honor. "Why do they call you 'Tex'? Are you a clergyman?"

"No, judge," the long, lean witness replied, careless like. "I've been in Texas a lot, so the boys in my gambling house just call me 'Tex' for short."

"Gambling house?" queried the judge incredulously.

"Surest thing you know," Tex answered. "All regular and licensed by the state of Nevada. She's worth $150,000 a year to me."

She was, too. But somehow Tex tired of the game presently and wandered to South America to look for a little land. The pioneer blood in him couldn't be denied. He and his wife took steamship from New York, sailed south, and on the 23d day arrived at Buenos Ayres, the capital of Argentina. Lingering only a few days in the Paris of South America, they sailed four days up the River Platte and the Paraguay river to Ascuncion, the first Spanish capital of the New World. Thence a lumbering old sidewheeler took them two days more upstream to Concepcion, in the very heart of the southern hemisphere.

Mr. and Mrs. Rickard each rode a mule and carried their baggage and camp equipment on two others. Thus outfitted, they strolled out for a year's exploration of the vast tract known as the Chaco, a region of rich grass and clear streams about as large as the state of Texas.

Mrs. Rickard has described that ride as the finest nerve cure in the world. Their wants were few and easily supplied, as the poet says, and they will remember the journey as the pleasantest they ever enjoyed, not only for itself but for what it led to.

Returning from the voyage on the plains, Rickard found that his mules had gained in flesh to the extent of 50 pounds apiece.

"And if they gain like that," said he, "after all the hard work we gave them, what do you suppose would happen to steers that have nothing to do but loaf around in this rich grass and put on fat?"

Thereafter came the organization of the great cattle company, with Kuhn, Loeb & Co., Speyer Bros., the Societe Generale of Paris and the house of Schrader, London, among the backers. Rickard is general manager, on a long contract. The land is divided into paddocks leagues in length and well supplied with water reservoirs for the cattle.

Down the river a thousand miles most of the big American packers have slaughtering establishments, and still nearer at hand is the famous Liebig Extract plant. So Rickard has an eager market for all the cattle he has to sell.

Scattered over the Rickard ranch are thousands of quebrancho trees from which tannin is extracted. Millions of tons of this product are shipped out of Paraguay to all parts of the world, one New York concern alone importing into North America vast quantities of it. The Paraguay Land and Cattle Company's income from this source is probably as great as from its cattle operations.

Only a few days ago the Paraguayan government granted to Rickard a concession for an immense meat treating and chilling plant. Arrangements are now being concluded for the immediate launching of this big enterprise. Heretofore Rickard has sold his cattle at from $25 to $30 a head. By turning the product into chilled beef in his own plant he will be able to realize from $50 to $60 a head. Ocean-going steamers call at the port of Ascuncion, 1000 miles from the Atlantic, and it is not unlikely that within a comparatively short time the United States will have beef coming direct from the Rickard ranch.

Rickard is not the only American cattle man on the immense property, for a number of his former colleagues have followed him to the newly discovered cattlemen's El Dorado. Mrs. Rickard is there, too, and the ranch house cook is none other than a former American prize-fighter who at one time was under Rickard's management.—Spokesman-Review.

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AN EXAMPLE IN PROTECTION.

he Conservation Commission of the State of New
'k takes issue with the statement made recently
the effect that "the beaver is now nearly extinct
the United States." The observations of sports-
n and game protectors at Lake Placid and in other
p tions of the Adirondacks bear out the conteition
o the Conservation Commission and go to show that
the Great North Woods at least, the favorite
nts of his ancestors, the beaver is far from be-
ning extinct, states the New York Times.
Reports received by the Commission indicate that
re are now between 1500 and 2000 beavers in the
irondacks; that, no longer persecuted by hunters
d trappers, they are establishing colonies and mul-
lying rapidly, and that there is reason to believe
it the time is not far distant when the Adirondacks
y again be entitled to the name "Kohsaraga," be-
owed upon the region by the Iroquois Indians, which
ans "the beaver-hunting country."
It was in 1905 that the restocking of the Adiron-
cks with beaver was begun by the State. The
egislature appropriated $300 for the purpose in 1903,
it it was not until 1905 that three pairs of the little
imals were released. Two pairs were set at lib-
ty on the northeast inlet of Big Moose lake, but
ey moved into Beaver river, about twenty miles to
e north east. The third pair were liberated in a
nall stream entering the Moose river.
That same year a dozen beaver were liberated in
e preserve by Edward H. Litchfield near Big Tup-
er lake. It was at this time that the then State
orest, Fish, and Game Commission learned of the
xistence in waters northwest of the Upper Saranac
ke of a small colony of native beaver, the last of
ie original stock in that section. The official esti-
iate of the beaver in the Adirondacks was then
bout fifty.
Encouraged by the result obtained with the first
mall appropriation, the Commission asked for and
eceived in 1905 an additional $1,000 to be used in
he work of restocking the Adirondacks with beaver.
n 1906 seventeen beaver were obtained from Yellow-
tone Park. These were distributed at several ad-
antageous points, and before the close of the year
t was estimated that the number of beaver in the
mountains had increased to one hundred.
Locally the increase of the industrious little ani-
nals has been noted with interest by sportsmen and
thers annually spending the summer here. Years
go Lake Placid, at the highest altitude of any of
he larger Adirondack lakes, was a favorite haunt
of the beaver, but as the country was opened the
highly prized fur-bearers were taken by the trappers
and hunters, until they were completely wiped out.
It was about seven years ago that the first attempt
to restock Lake Placid with beaver was made. Then
Hon. George A. Stevens on a return trip from Can-
ada brought back a male beaver and released the
animal on this lake. As he became more accustomed
to the new surroundings he began damaging trees
along the lake shore. At once he was blacklisted by
the irate campers, and after a period involving the
expenditure of much ammunition and more profanity,
he was finally shot.
Two years later Mr. Stevens liberated another
beaver in Lake Placid. In the second spring follow-
ing his arrival this animal went down the Au Sable
river, and, establishing a home in that stream at the
village of Au Sable Forks, became for a time the
pampered pet of the place. He grew exceedingly
tame, and the bridge across the river would at times
be thronged with townspeople watching the antics of
the hard-working little fellow. At last, however, un-
able longer to stand the discharge from the pulp
mills in the vicinity, the animal disappeared down
the river, going on supposedly to Lake Champlain.
A third beaver was liberated in Lake Placid by
Mr. Stevens four years ago and for a time remained
about the lake, minding his own business and annoy-
ing no one. After a while, however, this beaver,
illustrating the wonderful intelligence and colonizing
instincts of the animals, went up Chubb river, and
there found a mate that made its way over from the
Raquette river via Cold River and Moose Pond. They
established their home at a point about four miles
from the village of Lake Placid, where they now have
a colony of six or seven and have built two dams,
raising the level of the water about two feet.
Near Elizabethtown, twenty-seven miles from Lake
Placid, are two beaver colonies, one at Hull's Falls,
on a branch of the Boquet river, and the other on
Gates Brook. The former colony, which has been
established for some time, has been a source of much
interest to members of the summer colony in Pleas-
ant Valley, who last summer used to journey by auto-
mobile and carriage to the spot to watch the beavers
at their work.
The Gates Brook colony is a new one. In addition
to building a dam 75 feet long and causing the
stream to flood twenty-five acres of land, they have
built a lodge 15 feet in diameter which accommo-
dates from ten to twelve beavers.
On Smith Kiln Brook, in the town of Saranac, Clin-
ton county, a short distance from Plattsburg, a col-
ony of beavers has been located. They have built
a dam thirty feet long. The water thus set back has
flooded about an acre. Another colony in that portion
of the country that established itself last spring near
the mouth of the Au Sable river has moved up to a
spot near the village of Au Sable Forks.
In the St. Regis river district beavers are reported
as numerous around a place known as Ten Mile, and
several families of the animals are established on
Alder Brook.
Reports show that beavers are more numerous on
the Fulton Chain of lakes and about Raquette lake
than in any other portion of the Adirondacks. Sev-
enty-nine colonies, numbering 223 beavers, are re-
ported from the Fulton Chain, and it is stated that
the animals have erected seventy-six dams.
Some striking illustrations of their intelligence and
perseverance under difficulties are given. When a
dam on Eagle Creek which had flooded a highway
was torn down, it was promptly rebuilt overnight by
the industrious animals. When a lighted lantern
was placed in one of their lodges to drive them away
from a location on First lake where they had invaded
property, the beavers cleverly extended the lodge
over and around the lantern in such manner as to
block out its rays.
To keep them out of a yard, where they were
cutting poplar trees, a wire fence was erected. Noth-
ing daunted, the beavers piled sticks of wood against
the fence until they could surmount it. There are
numerous colonies of beavers on Raquette lake, with
a total of more than 250 inhabitants.
From the vicinity of Lake Pleasant, in the South-
ern Adirondacks, come reports showing beavers to
be very numerous. Three dams were located on the
Miami river, two with colonies of about twenty beav-
ers each, and the third a new dam under construc-
tion. On Whitney creek the beavers built two large
dams a half mile apart, the lower one to support
that above which floods the stream for a distance of
one mile.
A colony of considerable size was found on Mill
Brook and a small colony on Mosey Fly stream. At
the outlet of Spencer lake a colony of at least two
hundred beavers was located. There the animals had
built a large dam, backing the water for two miles.
On the north branch of the Sacandaga river there
is a colony of thirty or forty. A new colony recently
established themselves at the outlet of Samson lake
and built a dam there. From the Long lake section
a colony of at least thirty beavers is reported. A
large colony is located in the Grasse river and
another in Cranberry lake. There are four colonies
of good size in the town of Newcomb, one in the
town of Minerva, and two in the town of North
Hudson.
Quite aside from the respect and admiration the
little animals command by their industry and intelli-
gence, every true sportsman is the friend of the
beaver. Especially are they of value in trout streams.
Their dams afford protection against the havoc that
would otherwise be wrought when the ice goes out
each spring. The ice pack that would tear down be-
tween the banks of these mountain streams, sweep-
ing everything in its path, is held in check by the
beaver dams and disappears slowly beneath the
warming rays of the sun, doing damage neither to
the fish nor to their favorite pools along the shores.
Also, the beaver is the friend of the trout, for his
dams flood the streams and marshes, concealing the
pools in which the fish propagate, thus giving them
an even chance with the fishermen, who must use all
their skill to catch them under the conditions created
by the beaver.
Some beaver dams, if built by human beings, would
be styled feats of engineering. They are by no means
located haphazard. Each site is carefully selected
and each dam accomplishes a purpose that seems
as if reasoned out in advance.
Trees are felled with a nicely that can be dupli-
cated only by skilled woodsmen. And the beaver
does not limit his tree cutting to saplings. In the
Adirondacks the animals have been known to cut
down trees twenty inches and more in diameter. They
prefer yellow birch and poplar, though they will cut
any tree that seems necessary for their purpose.
The dams are built of alder sticks, mud, and grass,
and are finally chinked with moss, making a solid
wall that often must be dynamited to be effectually
destroyed.
The cutting teeth of the beaver are very sharp
and there is great power behind the little jaws. Ordi-
nary beaver chips are about the size of the chips
made by the average woodchopper and they much
resemble chips made with an axe, so smothly are
they cut. When digging recently for the foundation
of a building on the shore of Lake Placid, workmen
came upon a "beaver stick" that had probably been
buried seventy-five years or more, yet the teeth
marks of one of the animals were as plain as if made
but the day before.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

THE CALIFORNIA VALLEY QUAIL.

One of the serious problems that confronted the State authorities interested in the propagation of fish and game has been the conservation of the valley quail. The introduction of the automobile as a means of transportation to the hunting fields has sadly depleted the supply of this bird, and stringent efforts are to be put forth to give it a chance to increase.
The new law passed by the Legislature will place the open season for valley quail from October 15 to December 31 and provides a bag limit of but fifteen birds per day and thirty a week. In addition to this game wardens will be instructed to use extra vigilance during the open season and to give this bird every possible protection at all times. This change has met with opposition from bird dog trainers and handlers but in the main is acceptable to sportsmen.
During the past year a few complaints were received from farmers in different localities asking permission to either trap or kill the quail, saying they were making serious inroads into the crops. To every complaint of this nature the Fish and Game Commission offered to send two experienced trappers to catch and convey the birds to some other locality and in every instance the offer was refused.
It is more than possible that the day is approaching when the State will be compelled to set aside certain localities for quail refuges. This is being done at the present time by a number of farmers who are interested in the welfare of the game.
Especially is this true down in the river districts, states the Sacramento News, where the pheasant has been introduced. This bird holds so closely to its nesting places in the alfalfa fields that in cutting hay the nests are destroyed. One farmer in the vicinity of Courtland, to prevent this, has set aside an acre of alfalfa which he never allows to be cut or disturbed in any way, giving the birds a secure retreat. Another rancher in the vicinity of Elkhorn does the same thing, and he has extended such security to wild birds of all kinds that the valley quail and pheasants come up to the barnyard at feeding time and eat grain with the domestic fowls.
Just what the general prospects are for the fall quail shooting season is at present a bit problematical. Two reports, from widely separated districts, are here given:
For San Luis Obispo county it is claimed, "Not one pair in ten have any young. The late rains destroyed the greatest portion of the eggs and the coyotes, snakes, foxes, squirrels, magpies, jays and other harmful animals and birds are responsible for the remainder. Foxes, coyotes, bob cats, raccoons and owls work at night, feeding on the birds on the nests and then eating the eggs. Gophers undermine the eggs and allow them to drop down in their holes. Snakes, squirrels, hawks, magpies, and jay birds work during the day."
Rather pessimistic, that. The closing down of the rabbit season in that section—as well as all over the State, until the quail season opens in October, will, however, help matters materially. The alien rabbit hunter has no doubt, for years past, been more effective in depleting the quail supply than any other cause.
From Southern California, where the automobile of the gunner has been said to be thicker than orange trees, comes a more acceptable forecast:
Brighter prospects for a splendid quail season are to be found in the hills of Orange county this season than during four or five years past, according to County Game Warden W. E. Adkinson.
Adkinson is perhaps better qualified than any other man in the county to speak of subjects pertaining to game as he has spent the greater part of his time in the hills and has made keen and careful studies of the habits of the wild birds and animals. Because of the fact that the quail were to be found in very small bunches scattered widely in every section, this indicated that they were mating freely. Adkinson is certain that when the season opens, the hunters will find a better crop of birds than during the past six years.
"Quail are great weather prophets," states Mr. Adkinson. "Their instinct tells them just what kind of a season is ahead. If the rains are going to stop early in the spring and there is going to be a scarcity of food, they seem to realize it instinctively.
The mating of quail depends entirely on weather conditions. If food is going to be scarce and but little water in the mountain streams, they will not pair off. If the rainy season is going to be long continued and the food prospect looks promising, they will mate freely but will delay the mating as long as possible, for their instinct tells them that to hatch their young in rainy weather is bad. Favorable conditions prevailed this year and that is what makes me almost certain that there will be a splendid crop of birds, but that the season will be somewhat late.
There was more water in the creeks and streams this year than there was last year, and last year there was more than during the three preceding seasons, during which there was a period nearly approaching drouth, at least as far as concerned water in the hills.
Food is ample. In fact, the birds will have better feeding grounds this year for themselves and for their young than they have had in the last years.
Not only are the quail to be found in from two to three pairs but they came farther down into the valleys than I have known them to do of late years. This proves that they were extremely busy hunting for nesting places."

Adkinson states that in his opinion practically every egg laid this year would be hatched. During dry years eggs are found scattered everywhere, having been laid promiscuously and having every indication that the birds never intended hatching them. This year the eggs are found only in carefully concealed nests. In unfavorable years, during mating season, may be found a small proportion of paired-off birds, while the greater proportion makes up large coveys, the members of which are unmated.

One of the most experienced quail hunters of the State, T. S. Van Dyke, in the following description, gives one some idea of the real pleasure experienced in hunting the "hoodlum of the valley," and of the habits of the wary creature:

"At your first advance into the place where the quail last settled in confusion, a dozen or more rise in front of you and as many more on each side, and from five to fifty yards away. They burst from the brush with rapid flight and whizzing wing, most of them with a sharp, clear 'chirp, chirp, chirp,' in the tone of which there is more of defiance than of alarm. Some dart straight away in a dark blue line, making none too plain a mark against the dull background of brush, and vanishing in handsome style, unless you are very quick with the gun. Others wheel off on either side, their mottled breasts shining in the sun as they turn, and making a beautiful mark as they mount above the skyline. Some wheel and pass almost over your head, so that you can plainly see the black and white around their heads and throats and the cinnamon shading of their underwear."

But that refers to conditions prevailing many years ago. In the days when the valley quail were extremely plentiful it was a very common bird on the markets and could be obtained at practically every hotel and restaurant. Records show that during the season 1895-6, 70,370 quail—most of them valley quail—were sold in the markets of San Francisco and Los Angeles. Market hunters in those days were able to kill over 200 quail in one day.

The valley quail has been widely introduced into neighboring States. They were successfully introduced in Washington in 1857. In Oregon and Nevada they have done marvelously well and unless one were informed he would take them for native birds in the places where they are now found. The valley quail found on the islands off the coast of Southern California are said to have been introduced there many years ago. Plantings made on some of the Hawaiian islands have also proved successful. Attempts to acclimimatize this bird in the east have met with as poor success as have our attempts to get Bob White in California.

Hunting is an important factor in the increase or decrease of birds. In many places this has been the most important factor in causing a decrease in the number of quail. With the increased traveling facilities and the increased efficiency of firearms, this aspect of the question is yearly becoming more and more important. Twenty years ago hunting involved not only considerable time but considerable inconvenience; today, with the automobile and the increased transportation facilities, a hunt takes but little time and almost no inconvenience.

Shooting from automobiles, a practice of the present day, is an easy way of filling the game-bag but it is a dangerous practice when viewed from the standpoint of conservation. Most game birds, on account of their prolificness, can withstand a certain amount of shooting, but the wholesale slaughter of the past few years undoubtedly oversteps the danger point.

A comparison of the present status of the valley quail with its former status, as cited above, shows that the annual destruction has exceeded the yearly crop and has cut into the productive brood stock. It has been proven time and again that the valley quail is a bird which can quickly recover after excessive destruction when it is given a chance. At the present time there are many sections where drastic protection measures must be observed in the near future if the quail is to survive. Wherever the valley quail is given proper attention it thrives.

PHEASANTS TO BE LIBERATED.

Owing to a change in the rabbit shooting season which will be made to conform this year with the quail season, the bunnies will have unwonted respite from the guns just when the shooting was at its height. This lull in the firing will result from the change in the shooting law for this year.

The old law in which rabbit shooting begins August 1 holds good until August 9. Under the new law the rabbit shooting opens October 15. Sportsmen will thus be in a position to shoot rabbits under the old law from August 1 to August 8 and will then have to call a truce until the new law comes into effect October 15.

Such being the favorable conditions, the first liberation of pheasants from the State game farm at Hayward will take place when 100 birds will be turned loose in the Sacramento country. Thereafter a similar number will be liberated about every two weeks in different parts of the country.

The new duck pond at the game farm which has just been completed is an object of interest to tourists. Over 200 wild ducks of various kinds, a number of which were raised in captivity, swim about on the big new pond.

The striped bass barometer has seemingly taken somewhat of a drop at various frequented resorts.

PACIFIC COAST HANDICAP.

A total of one hundred and five shooters attended the four day session of the Interstate Association's annual smokeless powderfest last week. Seventy-one guns stayed through the general average program of 350 targets and twenty-nine shooters went down the line for the whole tally of 700 birds. Seventeen "pros" lined up before the traps. Thirteen scatter gunners—including two of the fair sex, represented the bay counties' trigger pullers. Nevada's delegation numbered over half a dozen. The scores were received this week too late for arrangement and publication in this issue, but will appear next week—possibly at no tournament yet held in the United States will the average of 90 per cent and over have a better showing. The following report of the four day shoot is by a San Diego scribe, "Tenderfoot," a genial pencil shover who knows the game and has the pleasing faculty of injecting a little "chile" in the story:

Practice Day, Wednesday, July 7.—A dark horse pranced into the big glare at the opening session of the tenth Pacific Coast Handicap. Unheralded, unsung and without a suspicion that he had a look-in, Dr. R. N. Fuller of Tulare, rambled out to the firing line and rambled back again with 100 clean breaks to his credit, high gun in the century practice string that opened the big shoot.

The doctor went along to trap 5 with 80 straight and then the crowd wised that the midnight steed had arrived and had an outside chance to dash under the wire a winner. Down the firing line, from peg to peg, Dr. Fuller pointed, each shot bringing the welcome call, "Dead!" When the last dirt-bird raced into view, the Tulare medicine man calmly kicked the tar out of it and the trick was turned—100 straight for a genuine amateur; his really and truly first in his whole life. Congratulations were showered on the astonished physician, who accepted his sudden honors with modest demeanor, but with the light of supreme joy shining in his eyes. Nice work, Doc, and don't forget that a Du Pont century watch fob is yours.

Toney Prior of San Francisco, a roly poly, hard shooting, genial little hombre, was first to "show" with a chance for high honors, his 96 looking rosy to a few uninitiated, but his chance faded into a pleasant memory when San Diego's crack squad raced into the stretch, pointing even better than the ginks that licked Pakenham's invaders at New Orleans in the sometime since. Foster Couts headed the squad with a clean 97, Julie Weisser and Lee Couts tied Toney's score, while Andy Ervast with 95 and Jim Dodds' 94 gave them the squad championship of the day—22 down in 500. Second high squad included "Big Ed" Mitchell, Charley Spencer, C. B. Monoghan, W. F. Cobb and W. H. Rodden, whose lost birds totaled 23 in 500.

The big blazing star of the preliminary skirmish was Charley Spencer, the Mid-West crack. Spencer shot in grand form, smoking the birds close up and pointing easily. He started the day with an unfinished run of 115 straight, boosted the score to 153, dropping a bird, whistled to his mascot and then tore off another string of 108, finishing the seance with an unfinished run of 52. In his last 300 targets Spencer missed two, while in 400 (his total shot at to that time) the Eastern crack dropped eight. Very, very nice work, Charley. I'll speak to the boss about it!

Les Reid, the Pacific Slope's great professional, was not shooting up to form, not by several points, but the tournament was only started. Possibly the railbirds were to be treated to a down-to-the-minute Garrison finish by last year's champion professional. Cheer up, Les.

In morning practice Mrs. Ada Schilling broke 91, while Mrs. A. G. Wilkes accounted for 76.

None of the scores made in practice count on the official averages. But the sting of this statement is squelched by the fact that any and all runs of 50 and better are taken care of by the Du Pont Powder Co., of Wilmington, Del., the best boosters trapshooting has in the nation. Each run of 50 straight draws a Du Pont watch fob and for each additional 50 a solid gold bar is given—to the amateurs. Ray De Mund of Phoenix broke 65 straight—which hooked Ray up with a Du Pont memento worth wearing.

Thursday, July 8.—The big attractive feature was the event at 25 pairs. Spectators quickly massed back of Trap 2, when the doubles began flying, and they were treated to some spectacular gun-pointing.

Toney Prior of San Francisco led off and this tough little bird quickly showed that he is a master gunman in the twin clay game, finishing with 47x50. Later, however, Foster Couts bested the clever San Franciscan by one bird.

There were no particularly high runs in the ten events at 15 singles, but at one time a half dozen men were in easy reach of high gun honors, which made the race interesting. Les Reid and Earl Morgan finally pinched the glory with three down in 150, which figures out 98 per cent, a corking fast gait.

Racing right at their heels were a dozen gunpointers with five and six down in 150. These included Ray De Mund, Julie Weisser, Denny Holohan, Hugh Poston and Guy Holohan, 146; Archie Julian, O. N. Ford, W. G. Warren, Ed Mitchell, Charley Spencer, Dick Reed, 145; Lee Couts and "Stan" Bruner, 144.

High runs for the day that won Hercules and Pont sequence trophies showed 15 amateurs entit to receive the powder companies' rewards for strai runs. The list follows:

Du Pont winners—Archie Julian, 86 straight; J Couts, 99; Ray De Mund, 65 and 70; Mellus, Pfirrmann, 99; Dennis Holohan, 75; Monoghan, 66

Hercules winners—Dodds, 65 straight; Avery, Peace, 51; "Stan" Bruner, 50; Foster Couts, 73 a 75; Downs, 65; Ogilvie, 65.

Friday, July 9.—Charley Julian's sensational w ning of the Preliminary Handicap today was only part of the high class gunpointing shown by the tr shots. Milt Barber was first to hang up a high sco posting 97 breaks, and it sure looked good. A lit later "Stubby" arrived at Trap 5 and the crowd so wised that this was no novice with fluttering nerv but a seasoned campaigner, and in spite of his dou handicap Julian kept on grinding the clays to bla smoke. At Trap 1 he dropped a bird, ran straight the next flinger, fudged one at Trap 3, and from th on the tarhawks hooped up with a hammering.

Julian's gunplay was remarkable. Handicapped the loss of his left arm, and shooting with the be trap talent in Sunset Land, his 98, from 18 yards, really a record on this Coast.

Milt Barber's pointing was one of his best exhil tions, smashing the clays close up in excellent tim He dropped one each at the first, fourth and fif traps. A little later squad 10 arrived at Trap 5 f the acid test and W. G. Warren, of Tonopah, Ne with three gone, got by with a straight, tied wi Barber. This called for a shoot-off after the handica was finished, which Warren won rather easily. Th settled first, second and third prize winners.

Archie Julian, a San Diego boy, Dr. R. N. Fulle and Bob Bungay finished with 95 each. Sizing the up dispassionately, praise for their fine trap wor should be apportioned equally.

H. B. Havens, W. S. Peace, W. L. Harris and A. Wilkes finished with 94, which frequently in hand cap events is good enough to win. Wilkes blew hi last chance to win second high at Trap 4.

The professionals staged some real fireworks i the regular events. Spencer started with a run o 44 from the day before, and in his easy fashio batted bird after bird until the century string wa finished, when he posted an unfinished run of 14 Les Reid broke 98 in the same events. Yesterda morning he had Spencer two down in 150 for hig average. This morning they started the final grin each with five gone in 250, 98 per cent. High averag for the tournament will be determined on 350 targets which includes the first 100 today.

The first five moneys in the Preliminary Handica were paid as follows: Charley Julian, $77.05; W. G Warren, $64.20; Milt Barber, $51.25; Archie Julian Dr. R. N. Fuller and Bob Bungay, $37.16 each.

Among the long runs were D. Holohan with 75, G Holohan with 11, Monoghan 66, Archie Julian 88 O. N. Ford 59, Ogilvie 59, Foster Couts 80, Julie Weisser 71, Clarence Sage 50 and W. G. Harris 59.

In the Panama-California Gold Cup event, Paymaster H. M. Williams of the cruiser South Dakota broke 50 straight, W. G. Harris 49 and W. H. Rodden 49 yesterday. This event is at 100, the final half being staged today. A total of 81 are entered in this event.

Saturday, July 10—The tenth annual Pacific Coast Handicap closed today, in two spectacular, hard-fought struggles to determine the winners of the Exposition Gold Cup and the Pacific Handicap. Of the two, the gold cup struggle was the spotlight feature, that unreeled a beautiful race between Julie Weisser of San Diego and W. G. Warren of Tonopah, Nev., a veritable dirt-bird marathon. Three men tied with 97 each in the cup event and an the shoot-off Paymaster H. M. Williams, the third man, dropped out, while Weisser and Warren tied again with 25 straight. On the second tie 25 both shooters missed one, calling for a third string, which ended in another tie of 23 each. Then came the final session that finished a remarkably clever exhibition of shotgun-play by two cool, fast pointing amateurs. Final score: Warren 96, Weisser 95.

Followed then the race at 100 targets to determine permanent ownership of the cup. Frank Stall of Winnemucca, Nev., and Bob Walsh of San Diego had previously won a leg on this trophy. In the final shoot-off Warren quickly showed he was master, and the race ended this way: Warren 94, Stall 89, Walsh 81. Which permanently ended the gold cup race. In this event Warren shot at 300 targets, breaking 97, 96 and 94, for a percentage of .9566. In addition to these he blazed at 150 other targets Friday, turning in a percentage of 95.60 for 450 clays shot at.

The Pacific Coast Handicap event saw four men tied with 98, shooting from handicaps that ran back to 21 yards. Heinie Pfirrmann of Los Angeles, Paymaster H. M. Williams, U. S. N., Andy Ervast and Foster Couts of San Diego faced the trap in the shoot-off to determine winners in this blue ribbon event. Blazing at 20 birds, Williams was first to drop out, missing two. Andy Ervast soon followed with a lost bird, and the race narrowed to Pfirrmann and Couts. Couts stood at 21 yards, Pfirrmann 18; and the extra three yards finally exacted the almost inevitable toll.

Pfirrmann won the final shoot-off, dropping only two birds to Couts' five. Which finished the prettiest race ever staged for this Sunset Classic. Couts broke 66 straight from 21 yards in this event, and finally lost out to one of the Angel City's crack gunpointers.

Final of this race: Pfirrmann, first; Couts, second; Ervast, third.

Purses in this event gave Pfirrmann $133.60 and first trophy; Couts, $105.90 and second trophy; Ervast, $86.05 and third trophy; Williams, $66.80.

High professional average of the tournament was won by Les Reid of Seattle, who posted 343x350; Charley Spencer of St. Louis 342; Guy Holohan of Los Angeles 341; Dick Reed of San Francisco 340. High over all at all targets was won by Spencer, who carded 672x700, which included doubles and the handicaps. Spencer also made the longest straight run of the shoot, 157.

High amateur average was won by Foster Couts and Julie Weisser, who tied with 339 each; Denny Holohan came next with 337; Ray De Mund, 336; and O. N. Ford, 335.

At the conclusion of the handicap event Elmer E. Shaner announced to the crowd that he had been selected to announce an unexpected trophy which had been won by Clan Pastime's president, E. M. Barber. This was presented by Shaner on behalf of the donors, and when displayed was some surprise. The gift, a watch fob, was a handsome token, made up of a replica of "English Betsy," Barber's shotgun, as the crossbar; two dirtbirds, an Old English B made up of diamonds set in platinum, two more clays and the snap, all connected with gold links. Barber made a happy spiel of acknowledgment that got by in fine style.

The great struggle for the gold cup wound up the finest tournament ever staged on the Pacific Coast, best in every way except attendance. In brilliant gun-pointing and remarkable in the number of ties, with two gruelling shoot-off struggles to determine winners of the big events, the tenth Pacific Coast Handicap will go on record as great from every angle, barring attendance. This was disappointing, but lack of numbers was more than evened by the class shown on the firing line, which developed sensational headline features.

Straitaways.

Mrs. A. G. Wilkes of San Francisco covered herself with glory in the "prelim" when she beat Fred Burnham one bird. Burnham, let it be known, is the hombre who once met five grizzlies in Alaska, blew their lights out, chased a bull moose up a tree and winged a perfectly good totem pole with his last cartridge. Mrs. Wilkes received many compliments for her really clever gunpointing. Less than three months ago she tackled the birdies and Wednesday she broke 84x100.

Capt. A. W. Du Bray of San Francisco, one of the old guard, was circulating with the railbirds. For many years Du Bray has contributed shooting stories to the magazines under the name of Gaucho, and is one of the famous oldtime characters in the shooting world.

Teddy Doremus, big sachem and generalissimo of the Du Ponts, was fluent in praise of Dirt-bird Roost. "Money couldn't improve the natural advantages of these grounds," said Teddy. J. S. French, Peters Cartridge Co.'s high chief, was equally pleased with Clan Pastime's home.

THE DOVE SEASON.

Sportsmen who regard dove shooting with favor, at a time of the year when nothing but "clay pigeons" are in open season, will be put to their wits' ends to dodge the game wardens. Under the statutes now in force, July 15 is the opening day in districts one and three, as in former years. This game law situation enabled the Grass Valley Sportsmen's Association to hold the annual camp dove stew Friday, July 16, as already announced. Dove shooting must stop August 8, when the new game law goes into effect.

In districts two and five the dove season will open —under the old law—August 1 and remain open until August 7, a week's shooting. In districts four and six the season for dove shooting under the old statute runs from September 1 to October 31.

Until the new law goes into effect the daily limit bag for doves is twenty. Under the new lew the open season for doves will begin September 1, and close December 1, throughout the whole State, thus giving quite an extended period for dove shooting in some counties this year.

The bag limit has been cut down to fifteen per day under the new law.

BIG RUN OF SALMON.

Telephone messages early this week from Santa Cruz and Capitola to local salt water anglers conveyed the pleasing tidings that there was a big run of quinnat salmon in Monterey bay, off the Santa Cruz shore. Floyd Uhden's boat came in with a catch of 70 fish. Quite a number of the salmon caught weighed from 15 to 30 pounds. Other boats were comparatively as lucky. There has been a fairly good run of salmon for a week past, but the latest developments have given local rodsters a jolt from center to circumference.

A large fleet of bay fishing launches are awaiting the expected run of the salmon up the coast and into the bay. The pioneer fish weighing 13 pounds was taken off Mussel Rock last week, one or two stragglers have since been caught in the bay.

Al Wilson and Bob Sangster, two of the most skilled striped bass fishermen about the bay, made several catches of bass in Raccoon straits last week. Wilson fished near Sugar Loaf Rock and caught a 14, two 10 and a 3-pound striped bass one day last week.

ECHOES FROM THE PAST.

W. H. Bruning, of Cedar Bluffs, Neb., is in San Diego taking in the Exposition. Years ago, in the palmy days of the 6-gun, this old time Nebraskan was known all over the short-grass country as Bill Bruning and also was reasonably famous as a real plainsman. Bill was one of the few men "Wild Bill" Hickok chummed with. Gossiping recently at the Cycle & Arms with a squad of the Pastime Clan, Bill vocalled a bit of the old days.

"'Wild Bill' was a grand shot with a 6-gun," said the veteran, and into his eyes crept a far-away expression, as they swept back through the years and space to Nebraska in the '60s, when "Wild Bill" was just coming into his national fame as a modern knight of marvelous gun skill—when the great plains were in the heyday of that wild, romantic period that was merely an echo of Robin Hood's time. And Bruning detailed how the Grand Duke Alexis, at that time future Little Father of all the Russias, made his famous stage ride down the canyon trail to Stockville, in Frontier county, when the grand duke was in America on a big hunt. Buffalo Bill handled the ribbons that controlled two span of plunging broncos. As the stage started down the last hill a short, well-built man, with the map of Ireland stamped all over his face, a famous fighting face, stuck his head out of the coach and yelled to Cody, 'We're late, Bill—hit 'er up!'"

Then America's beau-ideal cavalry leader, General Phil Sheridan, settled back in his seat and grinned. 'Hang on, Duke!' Cody shouted to the royal Russian, who was riding on the driver's seat. "Yee-ou-u-u-ee! Scratch gravel, you rats!" yelled Bill, at the same time popping his whip with sharp reports. Surprised, insulted, half frantic, the bronks grabbed the bits and sprang into furious speed, plunging down the narrow trail at headlong speed. The old coach rocked like a dory in choppy going, and every one hung on tight. His royal nibs got excited and yelled a string of Slav expletives, which the wheelers resented by kicking free-born dirt into the autocrat's features. But the Little Father-elect was no piker—he was game as a pebble all the time, even when the Nihilists boomed him years later. Then 6-guns began to bark and pretty soon the old wagon negotiated the worst of the trail, after several tight squeaks, then it was easy sledding to the hotel, where the outfit drew up with a regular old-time dust-cloud, bang! bang! flourish.

That was some hunt the grand duke was handed. According to Bruning, buffalo, elk, black-tailed deer, antelope, Indians and fleas swarmed everywhere on the great plains. Red Cloud, Spotted Tail, and a big following of the Lo family joined the outfit on Red Willow creek and the real hunt began. When the grand duke downed his first buffalo the Indians circled the imperial Nimrod and pulled off an impromptu jollification dance, with aboriginal fluffy ruffles and flourishes that had none of the hesitation about it. Nay, nay, the only thing Lo hesitated about was just how to stick his royal nibs for the drinks.

And it came to pass that Alexis proved a good shot, a fine rider and a capital good fellow—a cosmopolitan who thoroughly enjoyed the wild, free life of the plains—the maddening, exultant rush of buffalo killing and the barbaric abandon of Indian feasts and dances. When Lo danced his untutored fancy leaped high—the stars were the limit—and he feasted with equal gusto and also to the limit of his amazingly capacious tummy. And so the big hunt unreeled, each day a kaleidoscope of that thrilling age-old pastime, the chase.

"Most of that outfit are gone now," said Bruning, "and so are the good old days when the 6-gun was paramount and the wild game swarmed. Fifty years from now I suppose mortals will be staging stunts upstairs in air-wagons that will make the plains stuff look cheap. Well, it's all a part of this old world. That chap hit it when he said, 'Life's just one damn thing after another,' didn't he?"

He certainly did—scored a clean 100 per cent.

Humboldt Bay Traps.—The initial registered tournament of the Eureka Blue Rock Club can be mentioned as a successful and enjoyable affair. Over thirty guns were on the firing line. Quite a number of the shooters were practically new beginners. The scores were the following:

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Ttl
Targets—	20	20	20	20	20	20	15	15	150
C. O. Falk	18	17	16	12	15	17	12	14	121
E. V. Falk	20	19	18	16	17	17	15	15	137
H. T. Hinman	17	19	16	17	15	14	11	12	121
H. A. Hine	19	19	19	18	19	18	12	15	139
M. O. Feudner*	17	10	18	16	19	19	10	12	121
H. W. Kelly	18	19	16	15	14	16	13	13	124
Ira A. Russ	16	18	19	17	18	19	12	13	122
Warren E. Innes	18	17	15	15	18	18	11	11	120
Fred Bair	19	17	17	18	18	18	14	14	135
J. Brennan*	16	12	15	12	16	16	11	11	109
T. W. Hine	18	14	15	16	15	15	13	9	115
Robt. Johnston	8	12	11	..	..	..	..	..	31
Geo. K. Coleman	8	10	13	16	19	15	..	..	81
I. C. Coff	17	17	14	15	17	..	..	..	80
H. H. Buhne	15	17	18	11	15	13	..	..	89
R. L. Harris	17	16	15	14	..	..	..	..	62
H. Martin	17	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	31
J. Earl Clark	9	14	14	13	15	14	10	10	99
Chas Powers	13	7	16	14	12	13	9	10	94
E. J. Robinson	13	17	17	17	19	16	..	..	99
L. A. Wing	10	9	12	8	15	..	..	..	54
P. M. Burns	14	14	12	16	14	17	10	11	108
E. Kausen	13	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	29
W. E. Cook	17	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	31
H. L. Ricks	..	12	8	12	..	..	..	..	32
Roy Poland	..	..	17	14	15	12	12	15	85
D. Peebles	..	..	14	16	18	..	..	..	48
L. Everding	..	..	..	16	13	15	10	11	65
John E. Locke	..	..	..	16	19	18	12	15	80

*Professionals.

FURS AND STEEL TRAPS.

The fur business is in a "parlous" state. About 50 per cent of the annual fur catch goes abroad, and since the beginning of the European war there have practically been no exports. Consequently the market is glutted and more than three times as many raw furs as ever before are being carried over in cold storage to another season.

Prices are abnormally low, lower than for many years, and trapping was almost at a standstill last fall and winter. There was small incentive in trapping to the farmer boy, who is the principal trapper, when muskrat and skunk pelts, which are the chief catch, commanded only from one-third to one-half the price of the previous season. So the sale of steel traps in the fall of 1914 was about one-quarter of that of the previous season. Nor is the outlook any more promising now, nor will matters improve much until the war ends and brings back the principal customers. And it may be then that for some time the European people will be too poor to indulge much in the luxury of furs.

Meanwhile, something may be hoped from the coming of better times in this country. Also, Americans are learning to treat and dye and finish their own furs so that they shall no longer be dependent on Europe in such matters.

DU PONT TROPHY WINS AND LONG RUNS.

Much high class shooting developed at the Pacific Coast Handicap tournament at San Diego. Out of a total entry of 105 participants, over 30 per cent of these contestants made 53 long runs—of 50 straight or more, shooting with Du Pont Smokeless Powders.

Guy Holohan made one run of 120 straight and followed with a sequence of 111. Dr. Roy Fuller started on Practice Day with a feeler—100 straight, he accentuated that performance with a 113 sprint. J. N. Weiser, tied for Amateur High Average on regular program, 339x350; H. Julian, winner of Preliminary Handicap, 98x100, 18 yards; H. Pfirrmann, winner of Pacific Coast Handicap, 98x100, 18 yards; W. G. Warren, winner of Exposition Cup, 97x100—all won with Du Pont Smokeless Powders.

Among the long run prize winners were:

J. N. Weisser	75	Du Pont Selby—Win.
C. E. Groat	54	Du Pont U.M.C—Parker
L. H. Reid	62	Du Pont Peters
R. P. De Mund	65	Du Pont U.M.C
R. C. Reed	58	Schulze U.M.C—Rem.
Dr. R. N. Fuller	113	Du Pont W.R.A—Win. '12
Frank H. Mellus	69	Du Pont Selby—Rem.
H. Pfirrmann	99	Du Pont Selby—Parker
Guy Holohan	53	Du Pont U.M.C—Parker
Lee Couts	99	Du Pont—W.R.A—Rem.
P. J. Holohan	94	Du Pont Selby
Archie Julian	86	Du Pont U.M.C—Rem.
L. H. Reid	91	Du Pont Peters
R. P. De Mund	70	Du Pont U.M.C
R. C. Reed	63	Schulze U.M.C—Rem.
D. J. Holohan	75	Du Pont Selby—Win.
C. B. Monahan	66	Du Pont Win.
Guy E. Holohan	111	Du Pont U.M.C—Parker
Harold Havens	58	Du Pont W.R.A—Rem.
W. T. Jones	65	Schulze U.M.C
Archie Julian	88	Du Pont U.M.C—Rem.
J. Plaskett	77	Du Pont U.M.C—Parker
Thos. Wilkes	64	Du Pont Peters—Win
C. E. Groat	54	Du Pont U.M.C—Parker
O. N. Ford	59	Du Pont U.M.C
L. H. Reid	75	Du Pont Peters
J. N. Weisser	71	Du Pont Selby—Win.
Archie Julian	61	Du Pont Selby—Rem.
W. G. Warren	58	Du Pont W.R.A—W. R. A.
Thos. Wilkes	55	Du Pont Peters—W.R.A.
C. B. Monaghan	65	Du Pont W.R.A.
Robt. H. Bungay 21 yds)	54	Du Pont U.M.C—Rem.
J. G. Heath	59	Schulze U.M.C—Rem.
W. H. Rodden	70	Du Pont U.M.C.
G. E. Holohan	120	Du Pont U.M.C—Parker
S. R. Smith	59	Du Pont U.M.C—Rem.
F. H. Mellus	61	Du Pont Selby—Rem.
H. Pfirrmann	65	Du Pont Selby—Parker
R. P. De Mund	78	Du Pont U.M.C.
R. N. Fuller	50	Du Pont Win. Lead.—Win.
R. C. Reed	67	Schulze Arrow—Rem. P.
R. H. Bungay	66	Du Pont Arrow—Rem. P.
C. J. Couts, Jr.	55	Du Pont Parker—Win.
A. H. Jones	50	Ballist. U.M.C.
H. Havens	54	Du Pont W.R.A—Rem.
L. H. Reid	90	Du Pont Peters
H. Pfirrmann	53	Du Pont Selby—Parker
L. M. Packard	55	Du Pont Peters—Parker
H. Pfirrmann	69	Du Pont Selby—Parker
C. A. Haight	61	Du Pont W.R.A—Parker
R. C. Reed	50	Schulze Arrow—Rem. P.
C. H. Knight	53	Du Pont Win.—Win.
R. N. Fuller	56	Du Pont Win. Lead.—Win.
R. P. De Mund	81	Du Pont U.M.C.

Interstate Association Tournaments—

August 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chicago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy; winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

July 12, 13, 14—Los Angeles Gun Club, Fred H. Teeple, Secretary, Venice, Cal.

July 19, 20, 21, 22—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary, Tacoma, Wash.

July 24—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, W. S. Short, Secretary, Chehalis, Wash.

July 28, 29—Delta County Gun Club, Nick Powell and R. A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

Aug. 5, 6, 7—Fourth annual tournament California-Nevada Trapshooters' Association. Auspices of Golden Gate Gun Club, West Alameda trap grounds. T. D. Riley, Secretary, Humboldt Bldg., San Francisco.

August 10—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 5-6.—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

FARMERS' PACKING HOUSES.

Farmers' co-operative meat packing companies recently have been organized in a number of communities in Wisconsin, Iowa, and Minnesota and more than a score of others are reported to be contemplated. Such marked interest in the possibilities of co-operation in the packing business is being manifested in various sections of the country that the Department of Agriculture is making a study of the movement to determine what conditions are essential to the success of this plan of co-operation and to give rational counsel in the matter wherever help is requested. Specialists of the department's Office of Markets and Rural Organization, working in conjunction with the Bureau of Animal Industry, call attention to a number of important factors which cannot be disregarded without danger of disappointment, if not disaster.

In the first place, it is said that communities in which co-operative packing houses are proposed should understand that one of the requisites for interstate shipment of meats from any plant, whether co-operative or privately owned, is Government inspection of the plant and of the animals and meats handled. Regulations of the United States Department of Agriculture provide that an authorized Federal inspector or inspectors be stationed at every plant engaged in interstate business. Before granting inspection privileges to a plant, however, the Government requires the plans and specifications of the plant, including sanitary arrangements, to conform to official standards. By communicating with the department regarding this matter and with officials of the State Agricultural College and Experiment Station or others who are in a position to give official aid, serious mistakes may be avoided by communities which are on the point of organizing such an enterprise. The importance of this point is evident, in view of the fact that most of the companies recently organized, it is said, were promoted by persons from outside the communities concerned. The Department of Agriculture is prepared to furnish advice relative to proposed plans, and welcomes inquiries regarding these matters wherever it can be of service to the farmers of any locality, or to officials of cities contemplating the establishment of municipal abattoirs.

Attention also is called to the importance of considering the complexity of the packing-house business before attempting to engage in the industry in a co-operative way. As beef and mutton in the main must be sold fresh and the equipment, refrigerator cars and extensive selling organization essential to the success of this business obviously make it so complex as to render co-operative management extremely doubtful, such establishments naturally will be confined chiefly to pork packing. The first consideration is a uniform and adequate supply of hogs and a reasonably even distribution of receipts during the year is required for the most satisfactory operation of a packing business. Private plants have been abandoned in many places because of an insufficient supply of hogs tributary to them and it is not uncommon to find smaller packing houses running at a loss during the summer season in order to keep up the organization and equipment necessary for the winter kill.

It should be borne in mind that the statistics showing the total number of hogs in a county or district are not a reliable indication as to the number of hogs available for slaughter. In considering the census statistics of live stock, for example, due allowance must be made for breeding stock and immature animals, and in the case of cattle, dairy cows would not be available for slaughter although included in the total number of heads reported. There is danger of overestimating the surplus of stock to be had for killing purposes in the same way that the number of cows frequently is overestimated in figuring on the possibilities of a creamery in a new location.

Equally important is the loyalty of the members of the organization, particularly as expressed in their willingness to sell hogs to the company, even though prices elsewhere at times may seem tempting. The co-operative bacon factories in Denmark which have been highly successful require their members to pledge themselves to sell their hogs only to the association for a period of fourteen years. Numerous attempts at similar enterprises in Canada and in Germany have failed largely because of the omission of this important feature of the Danish plan. There appears to be some question as to the validity of such provision under the anti-trust laws of the United States and of the various states. How far co-operation in pork packing can be conducted successfully in the absence of some such protective feature that will compel support on the part of the membership at least until the plant is established on a sound basis, has yet to be demonstrated.

In considering the feasibility of a co-operative packing business the number and location of plants already drawing supplies from the locality in question ought to be taken into account. In many cases it will be found that comparatively small plants already are taking considerable numbers of hogs besides those which go to the large market centers. In Minnesota, for example, there are pork-packing plants which have Government inspection, and therefore do an interstate business, at seven points besides St. Paul. These plants in 1914 slaughtered 150,662 hogs and 11,602 cattle. In Iowa there are eight packing points besides Sioux City at which Federal inspection is maintained, and these plants in 1914 slaughtered 1,439,528 hogs and 77,773 cattle. In Wisconsin, at four points (not including Milwaukee) plants having Government inspection slaughtered 82,303 hogs and 2,214 cattle.

These figures indicate that the small plants thus far established at interior points have not been able to divert a large number of hogs from the large central markets. Furthermore, during certain seasons many of these plants buy more or less hogs on special orders at the large stockyards in order to obtain the number and grade of hogs required for this trade. Some of the smaller companies state that they can sell a large part of their product to the large packers more advantageously than elsewhere. Altogether it is manifest that prospective investors should look carefully into the factors which seem to limit the field of these smaller plants. In this way certain mistakes may be avoided and valuable information obtained which will aid in the development of these organizations along wise and safe lines. One or two co-operative companies already have been organized and at least one is in operation. It is suggested that communities contemplating similar enterprises avail themselves of the experience of this pioneer in the field before proceeding along untried lines.

It is not to be taken for granted that the products of a meat packing plant always may be marketed quickly, easily and at satisfactory prices. Competition in this field remains keen, and the location of satisfactory markets, together with the devising of effective marketing methods, should receive early attention. The selling branch of such an enterprise is quite as important as any other.

The more successful packing enterprises have developed gradually, having started on a relatively small scale, and experience has not shown that new undertakings of this sort can be begun successfully in as large a way as is planned for some of those which now are under consideration. Packing plants, especially those which it is proposed to handle upon a co-operative basis, should be under competent, thoroughly experienced management. Men known to be well qualified to fill positions of this sort are not numerous and generally command relatively high salaries.

The amount of capital required to establish and operate successfully a packing business of this kind is considerable, especially in the case of a new concern establishing a trade for its products. It is believed that the size of the investment required for this purpose is often underestimated, and this seems to be one of the causes contributing to the failure of several packing houses. The ability to obtain credit sufficient for operating purposes is of great importance and should receive very careful consideration before the establishment of a plant is undertaken.

Authorities on co-operative organization agree that the more simple the processes involved, the more certain is the success of the co-operative scheme. As a conservative measure calculated to prepare the way and feel out the possibilities of a community as a field for co-operative packing, it is believed that a simple object and form of organization—such as the carlot live-stock shippers' associations that have proved so successful—are well adapted to the needs of the live stock farmers in many of the localities in which co-operative packing plants are being seriously considered.

The first thing to ascertain is whether the farmers of a community will be able and willing to adjust themselves to the simple requirements of an association for shipping stock together in carload lots to be sold at the large markets. Until such a demonstration has been satisfactorily made it would seem advisable to defer the matter of organizing a complicated undertaking in the packing business. In any case the careful observance of the precautions herein enumerated cannot be too strongly urged.

MONTANA STATE FAIR.

Thirty thousand dollars in cash and special premiums are offered for exhibits at the Montana state fair this fall. This annual premium list for the big exposition has just been issued from the office of the secretary and shows a very attractive list of prizes for which the farmers, stockmen, fruit growers, poultry men and others may compete. The one big grand prize offered is for the best wheat display, that being a seven-passenger, six cylinder Studebaker automobile of 1916 model, which cost the stae fair $1,565 laid down in Helena.

The cash prizes offered in the horse division total $2,237 and in addition to that there are special prizes which bring the total up to $2,320. In the cattle division the total offerings, cash and special, amount to $7,528.10. This liberal sum indicates the steady growth of the pure bred cattle industry in Montana. At no other state fair are the offerings more generous.

The prizes for swine this year aggregate $2,400, an increase over the amount offered in the same division last year. This department of the fair has shown a magnificent growth during the past few years and is getting bigger each year. For sheep and goats the prizes total $1,763. The prizes offered for poultry and pet stock aggregate $2,288.

The farm products division is a most attractive field for Montana agriculturists. The offerings in this department amount to $3,928, and in addition to this there is offered $723 in non-irrigated farm products class, and on top of that $2,375 is offered i the county collective competitive class.

The horticultural department is also growing fro year to year, and for 1915 the fair offers premium amounting to $1,893. In the culinary, fancy work fine arts, educational and butter and cheese depar ments, and for the boys and girls contest and th Montana manufacturers, the offerings total $3,700.

As a whole the premiums of the Montana state fai for the present year are the most attractive an interesting for the competitors that the institutio has ever announced.—Rocky Mountain Husbandman

A GOOD OREGON STABLE.

Geo. Swisher, who has his own track at his farm home at Provolt, Wash., is at the Medford track writes a recent correspondent of the Rural Spiri from the Rogue River valley city. He works his horses awhile there each spring, then comes here but wants to finish their "prep" on the mile track a the state fair grounds, Salem, and will go there shortly, having remained here for the Fourth of July program. George has a string of horses this season that gives promise of pulling down some money. Practically all of the seven he has in charge are staked all the way round the North Pacific circuit. At the present time they are all acting well and rounding into form in the most satisfactory manner.

Hallie B. 2:24¼, by Hal B. 2:04¾, is owned by Mrs. L. W. Watts, of Portland. The mare is staked around the entire circuit beginning at Vancouver, B. C., and is looking good.

St. Michaels 2:15, by McAlropa, owned by Fred Wilson, Banks, Ore., is staked all the way around. He is working good and Swisher promises that his mark will be lowered.

Nellie Mack, a green trotter by Unmack 2:22, dam by Nutwood Wilkes, is owned by Scott Wolf of Medford. He is entered around the circuit and gives promise of making them step some if they beat him.

Grace N. (p) 2:18, by Hal B., owned by A. G. Holden of Portland, was entered all the way round, but in some places her races did not fill and she will be entered in late closing events.

Oregonia (3), a full sister to Bonniola, that has a record of 2:24½ as a two-year-old, is by Bonaday, dam by McKinney. She is owned by T. L. Davidson of Salem and is entered in the futurity there. She could not be working nicer.

Sunny Boy (3), pacer, by Sunny Jim 2:11, dam Speckle Bird by Fred Hamilton, is another owned by Mrs. Watts. He is a nice colt, going well.

Oregon McK., a green trotter by Oregon Patch, dam by Alfonzo, is owned by L. E. Fisk of Cornelius. He has lately been gelded, which required a let-up on his work, and he will be held over for next year.

Robert Kinzea (3) by McAlzo 2:17¼, dam Velma Z. by Zombro, is owned by Swisher himself. He is entered in the Oregon futurity and in some of the three-year-old trots. He is a big, good going colt and will do to keep an eye on.

LADNER, B. C.

Ladner, B. C., June 26.—2:30 pace, purse $150:

John D., b g breeding unknown.....(Wright)	2	1	3
Prince Malone, ch g by Kinney Lou ...(Lookis)	6	2	1
Glad Wren, bl m by Jubilee De Jarnette..(Hawk)	1	7	2
Alex Williams, b h 3	6	5	

Chipmonk, 4-4-7; Princess Chehalis, 5-5-4; Lonzo, 7-3-6.
Time—2:29½, 2:30, 2:29½.

Two-year-old trot and pace, purse $150 (½-mile heats):

K. M. C., p, b g by B. C. King.....(Longhead)	1	1	1
Red Squirrel, p, ch g by Bland S.....(Lawson)	2	2	2
Belmar McKinney, b c by Belmar..(Fitzsimmons)	3	3	3

Time—1:21, 1:22, 1:23.

Free-for-all pace, purse $150:

Nic Nac, b g by Alcone.....(Russell)	1	1	2
Balduc, br h by Del Coronado.....(Riplinger)	5	5	1
Monarch Boy, Jr., b h by Monarch Boy..(McKee)	2	2	5
Olga S., br m by Diablo.....(Marshall)	3	3	3

Time—2:23, 2:21½, 2:21.

2:40 trot, purse $150:

Beauty B., bl m by Woodlock.....(Nixon)	1	1	1
Blue Bells, br m by Monochrome.....(Jordan)	2	2	2
Susie G., b m by Kinney Lou.....(Fowler)	3	3	4
Morris Parker, b g by Walter Barker..(Riplinger)	4	6	3

Time—2:29½, 2:29¼, 2:29¾.

WINNIPEG, MANITOBA.

Winnipeg, Man., July 3, 1915.—Free-for-all:

Mischief, b g by General Forrest..(A. F. Piggott)	1	1	1
Hollybrand, b g by Tidal Wave.....(G. Spencer)	3	2	2
High Fly, b g by Nearest.....(F. Haight)	2	3	4
Maythorne, b m by Eggthorne.....(J. Mooney)	4	4	2

Time—2:14½, 2:14, 2:15.

A. Class Pace:

Dr. Red, br g by Bozeman.....(T. R. Edwards)	1	1	1
Josie Bowers, b m by Joe Bowers.(D. McDonald)	4	2	2
Colonel Riley, blk g by Black Riley.....			
.....(Mrs. Jack Sprague)	2	4	4
Lady Verton, br m by Alverton.....(C. Wright)	3	3	3

Time—2:14¾, 2:16, 2:16¾.

B. Class Pace or Trot:

Ermil, b m by Unknown.....	2	1	1
King Pointer, b g by Leon Pointer.....			
.....(Mrs. A. McWilliams)	1	2	4
Rosa May by Unknown.....(J. Murray)	4	3	2
DeWitt, b g by Cecilian.....(R. S. Hamilton)	3	4	3
Irene Dudley .....(G. Bater)	5	5	dr

Time—2:26½, 2:24¼, 2:28¼.

C. Class Pace or Trot:

Green Boy .....(C. Roberts)	2	1	1
Pathmont .....(C. Shepard)	1	2	2
Princess Bonaday .....(H. Dangerfield)	4	4	3
Direct Bland .....(R. Vincent)	8	3	4
Major McGregor .....(O. Laliberti)	3	8	5
Miss Bently .....(R. Foley)	5	5	8
Trampfar .....(J. McDonald)	6	6	7
Miss Reflector .....(E. Irvine)	7	7	6

Time—2:36¼, 2:33¼, 2:32.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

THE FARM

REASONS FOR BABY BEEF.

Baby Beef is looked to as an increasingly promising product of intensive farming, and with the large amount of surplus alfalfa and the necessity for getting something to consume it, baby beef appears to have better prospects in irrigated districts than anywhere else. Steers used to go to market four years old and over, but baby beef can be turned off at from 13 to 20 months with the probability of still further reductions in age by improved breeding and better feeding. Good baby beef commands a heavy premium in the market.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture in a recent publication summarizes some of the reasons for baby beef.

(1) Younger cattle make more gains on the same amount of feed than older cattle, but it is necessary to push them from the time they are dropped. Grain should be given from the start and the calf should not know when it was weaned.

(2) Money invested is turned faster in 18 months instead of five years.

(3) The herd kept can be smaller and feed once given to two and three-year-olds can be fed to cows and the output thus increased.

(4) Open heifers market just as well as steers provided they are marketed at less than two years, and they will finish better and make better use of their feed.

(5) The baby beef market is the most stable of all cattle markets. This applies more to the East than to the Pacific Coast, but in each case there is no surplus and the market is ripe to be educated to quality.

Results with good breeding and hearty feeding in the East indicate that the alfalfa grower need fear no danger of small returns if cattle production is properly conducted and the marketing machinery properly developed.—Orchard and Farm.

TWO CLASSES OF FARMERS.

As a man thinketh, so he is. I was impressed with this truth one day as I waited at a blacksmith shop to have shoes tacked on our driving horse. In came a little man with a very light team, poorly fed. The little man was thinly clad and exhaled an air of doubt and despondency. In reply to a query he answered thus: "Yes, I am farming the old Brown place. It is only a little farm, but I do not want very much. I see our wheat has frozen out badly, and yet we put on 125 pounds of fertilizer to the acre" (less than a pound to the square rod). The little man got his team shod and went on his semi-despondent way..

The next man came in with a shout and a cheer. He brought three magnificent young drafters, full of power. "Just look their shoes over a little, will you?" he asked. "I like my horses to have good footing. Say, there is a team to put in front of a plow! I drive them myself and give my man the old mares. They are good, but I enjoy driving the young horses myself. It makes me feel that I am doing something. No, I am not renting now. I rented for nine years, but last year we bought a farm of our own. We are in debt a little on our land, but that is nothing with prices as they are these times. Anyway, we have a good time up there. These horses and myself make things move."

Now, which class are you in?—Joseph E. Wing in the Breeders' Gazette.

AGE OF WORK HORSES.

Men who have had time for figures tell us thatthe average age of a draft horse is from 15 to 16 years, while the driver lives to be from 18 to 20 years old. Determining the exact ages of horses is a difficult matter, for the reason that horses usually change hands a great many times after they pass a certain period in their lives—the period of greatest usefulness. But there are record cases where horses have been known to reach an age of 40, and even 50 years. Some horses have worked up to an age of from 25 to 30 years. Mares have been known to foal as many as 30 colts in their lifetime. Stallions have seen active service up to their 25th season. It is highly probable that the average natural age of a horse is 25 years, with the margin above that in favor of the driving horses. The English have a breed of draft horses called Suffolk Punch, noted for being exceptionally long-lived.—Exchange.

DAIRY STRIPPINGS.

[By L. L. De Bra.]

Dairying is one job where a fellow has to do all his sleeping nights; and not much of that. There's no let-up; it's just one thing after—an udder!

I've noticed that the hired man that eats the most is not always the best worked; nor is the cow that eats the most always the best milker. Join a cow-testing association and find out which cows are giving a profit and which are simply boarders. Then beef the boarders.

The "little red schoolhouse" has been the bulwark of our civilization; but that doesn't necessarily mean that the little, old red cow is worth much in the dairy business.

The farmer has few friends more faithful, or profitable, than a good dairy cow. She turns in good profits surely and regularly and yet she enriches the soil instead of exhausting it.

A stream cannot rise above its source; nor can a cow be any better than her sire. Moral: Better buy a better bull.

Careful investigation and long, accurate tests have demonstrated that a manure spreader pays for itself by increasing the fertility of the soil because it applies the manure more evenly and before the fertilizing value has all seeped away. Then, why be without one? Manure piles around the dairy barn are dangerous; a manure spreader turns them into profit quickly and easily.

A cow needs plenty of cool, fresh, pure water. Water the cow and let her attend to the milk.

The other day we were in a stable where a man was milking a cow under test for quantity and for the fat content of her milk. One thing noticed was that he gave the cow something to think of while milking her. She had a mess of feed and was evidently enjoying it. This took up her attention and gave her a certain degree of animal comfort, which is a most desirable thing. And then the milker did not speak except in the lowest possible voice while he was doing his work. It probably was somewhat distracting to the cow to have a number of visitors rubbernecking around there at that particular moment, but she did not show it. She just went on eating her ration and giving down milk. It seemed as if she must have been pretty well satisfied with the situation.

Again, the milker was not in a hurry. He simply went about his work steadily, quietly and stuck right to his job to the very last drop. And this is the one thing we wish to emphasize. It seemed to be the milker's determination that there should be no milk left in the cow's udder after he was done. He kept putting one hand high up on the side of the udder, stroking it softly downward, as if by that movement to bring down as much of the milk remaining there as possible. Over and over again that gentle, stroking motion was repeated, taking one quarter after the other, until the time came when the very lsat drop had been stripped. Then the man got up, weighed the milk and set the result down in the proper place.—Field and Farm.



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2:25 Trot	1000
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2:15 Pace	1000
2:10 Trot or 2:06 Pace	500
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2:11 Trot	$750
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2:25 Trot	750
2:18 Pace	750
2:18 Trot	750
2:15 Trot	750
2:11 Pace	750

The Oregon State Fair

SALEM, SEPTEMBER 27 to OCTOBER 2, 1915

Mile Track; National Trotting Association.

All communications to W. Al. Jones, Secretary, Salem, Oregon.

All events close August 13, to horses eligible on closing date. 5% to enter and 5% from Money Winners.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27th

Three-minute Trot, 3 heats	$.300
2:10 Pace, 3 heats	700
One-mile Handicap Dash, trot and Pace	500
Great Western Relay Race	1,500

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th

2:15 Trot, 3 heats	$700

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29th

Three-year-old Pace (closed)	$1,500
2:30 Trot, 3 heats	500
2:08 Pace, 3 in 5	2,000

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th

2:20 Pace, 3 heats	$.700
2:12 Trot, 3 in 5	2,000
2:15 Pace, 3 heats	700

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1st

Free-for-all Pace, 3 in 5	$700
2:20 Trot, 3 heats	700
Three-minute Trot or pace, 3 in 5	300

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2d

2:12 Pace, 3 heats	$700
2:09 Trot, 3 heats	700

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Last year after the new eligibility rule was adopted, the National Trotting Association issued a Winrace and Eligibility Book, which covered 1912 and 1913. It assisted materially in the application of the new rule, but members and horse owners were frequently in doubt as to whether a horse was entitled to a time allowance. This resulted in a very voluminous correspondence and in order to obviate it in 1915, the present book has been compiled and issued as approved by the President under an order of the Board of Review.

In the matter of time allowance, a horse with a winrace is allowed one second for each year, if raced, in which he fails to equal or reduce his record or win a race, providing same is claimed by the nominator when making the entry. If a horse was not raced in 1914, he is not entitled to a time allowance and a reference to the index in this book will show whether he was raced or not, while by referring to the summaries, it can be determined whether he equaled or reduced his record or won a race. Also in order to give all the information possible, the reports of meetings contain all races at half mile heats as well as at mile.

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2:10 Pace, 3 heats	700.00
2:25 Trot (closed)	600.00
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Fourth day Relay Race.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

Free-for-all Pace, 3 in 5	$ 700.00
2:20 Trot, 3 heats	700.00
Three-minute Trot or Pace, 3 in 5	300.00

Fifth day Relay Race.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

2:12 Pace, 3 heats	$ 700.00
2:09 Trot, 3 heats	700.00
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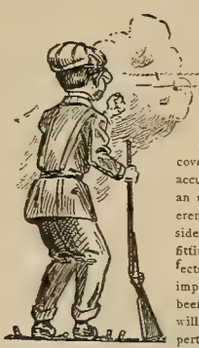
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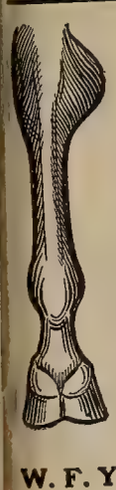
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(Special to the Herald)

Cedar Point, Ohio: John Noel of Nashville, Tenn., won the Indian Handicap, 96x100, from 20 yards, and 20 straight in shoot-off, shooting Remington-UMC Pump Gun and Arrow Speed Shells.

GOOD SCORES HERE AND THERE

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At the North Carolina State Tournament, W. L. Hefner of Hickory won the Championship, 98x100, shooting a Remington Pump Gun. Only a few more State Championships yet to be decided—less than ten—then it will be "On to the Grand American Handicap" for the winners.

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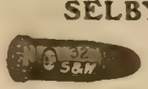
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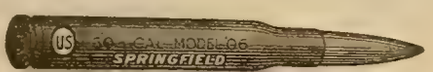
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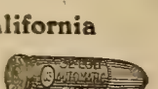
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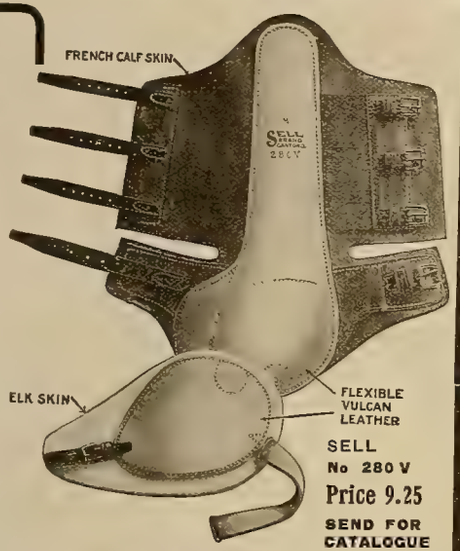
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LEXINGTON, KY.	October 4-16

A LESSON FROM THE BLUE GRASS.

There was a time in the history of the Golden State of California—in the early nineties, to be more exact—when the breeding of the trotter ranked next to agriculture and mining in the three leading industries of the commonwealth. Those were the days of the district fair, the large breeding farms, and open betting. Maladministration caused the downfall of the former, and the abuse of the betting privilege contributed to the decay of horse racing, both in harness and under saddle, and the consequent "undoing" of the big breeding farms. Not only in California did this state of affairs come to pass, but in all the great horse centers of the east conditions were quite similar. The real producers of the horse industry, the breeders, "stood" for the bookie until the bookie put the business on the run, whereupon a longsuffering public stepped in and in one drastic move put a quietus on both booking and breeding. Aiming at the objectionable portion of the business, the reformers of the various state legislative bodies pot shotted the flock—betting, racing and breeding. Of the three classes of men composing the groups back of the three branches, those of the professional betting brigade, whose malodorous operations were directly responsible for the whole agitation against the sport as a whole, were hurt the least, while those engaged in the breeding end of it—most innocent of all—were the hardest sufferers. It is a poor bookie who cannot flop from the betting ring at the trackside to a graft protected basement or top story gambling joint in short order, there to pursue the uneven tenor of his work of picking the pockets of those some hundreds of suckers that are born daily; the "casual horseman" who raced a few horses for the sport of it was, while deprived of his pleasure, not hard hit in pocket, for as a rule he had an income from other interests; to the breeder, however, the man who had extensive investments in lands and horseflesh and who made breeding his profession, the blow was of the regulation knockout variety. The results are too painfully impressed upon the mind of every horseman on this coast to make it necessary to review them here, but there is a way out. Impress these few words equally indelibly upon your memory as are the conditions just alluded to—there is a way out. That way lies through the enactment of legislation providing for pari mutuel betting under the supervision and control of state racing commissions, no more striking example of which can be found than in the state of Kentucky, the situation there being well reviewed in the following contribution to The Horseman from the pen of Henry M. Jones:

Famous Elmendorf Farm is to pass into history as a breeding institution. This is but natural in the United States, as there have been few sons of great breeders who have kept up or completed the work of their fathers. It is for this reason that the foreign breeders have accomplished far greater results in founding great families than has been done here. But it is not of the passing that interest should center, but of the conditions existing when the yearlings were sold in New York recently, compared with the forced sales made in South America and other foreign markets a few years since, when adverse legislation all but annihilated the breed. In this country there was no market; in fact, the attempted sales were simply pitiful. Many well-bred yearlings were sold for $50 to $75, bought by traders, not by horsemen. And now in a few short years, although depression in business has been written and spoken until it has become a nightmare, a sale the equal of any held in boom days is held. Thirty-five yearlings sell for $44,725, an average of $1,277. One brings $12,500, another $6,000, another $3,000. Then from A. B. Hancock's stud eleven head bring $16,175, averaging $1,470. These colts were untried, only halter broken, and sold on individuality and breeding, and are bought for racing prospects only.

If the history of racing the thoroughbred covering the same period is looked into the change is equally phenomenal. The plant at Lexington, probably the oldest in the United States, having been founded in 1821, had been bankrupt for some years, and only $150 to $200 purses were offered when a meeting could be given. Even such meetings would scarcely pay out. The stabling and grounds were in such a condition that but few trainers cared to risk their horses there. What is it today? One of the best equipped racing plants to be found anywhere, track made level, inside sand track for winter and wet weather, stables full, and building new ones every year. Purses $500 to $600; handicaps, $1,000 to $1,500; added money stakes (real stakes, not guaranteed purses with 5 per cent deducted from money winners) with $2,000 to $2,500 added money.

It is just as impossible to realize the transformation in this meeting as it is to realize that yearlings are bringing prices that they did. There must be some wonderful cause that raised this business from the mire that adverse legislation and the conscienceless gambler had plunged it into. It can be easily explained. A few breeders of thoroughbreds in Kentucky, realizing that all was gone unless quick action was taken, put their shoulders to the wheel and began the education of legislators. They showed them that one branch of the horse business, that business that has brought more new money into Kentucky and made the value of her lands greater than any other industry; that business that had made her famous in all parts of the world where the horse is known and appreciated, was on the brink of destruction and unless at once put upon a legitimate business basis, and protected by the laws of the state, it must bankrupt the majority of breeders and the state lose her prestige. The result was a law establishing the Racing Commission, which has absolute jurisdiction. It says to racing associations that they shall not give purses of less than a certain sum and that they shall give certain class races every day. It will not permit fraud, and only last week ordered an owner and his horse off the tracks of Kentucky for complicity in attempted fraud. They have power, backed up by the state, with no appeal to some tribunal that fears the effect of the decision upon some member and glosses it over. The only motto is "For the greatest good of the horse and racing." It is neither theory nor experiment. It is a reality, has been tried and delivered the goods.

It would be well for the American Association of Trotting Horse Breeders to profit by the calamity that befell the sister interest. Begin at once to organize its members in each state and let them educate their legislators to the great necessity of protection to this interest. Even go farther—carry it into the halls of Congress and show the representatives that racing must be protected or this country will be an importer of horses for its actual needs. Already owners of thoroughbreds have had to import yearlings, and others will do so this fall. It may be possible that the near future will see trotting colts imported from those countries that we have supplied if there is not a determined effort to put racing upon a strictly legal basis, so that it can demand the protection of state laws such as is given to any other legitimate industry.

CALIFORNIA'S MAGAZINE.

That portion of the reading public which was expecting the "California Almanac" to come from the press this month was agreeably surprised when that heralded publication appeared in the form of "California's Magazine," the publishers having found, after their work had gotten well under way, that the field into which they had entered offered far too much for an annual volume to cover. As a consequence, the cornerstone number, which embraces the matter originally planned for the almanac, and much more, appears under date of July first and will be followed at quarterly intervals by regular issues.

California's Magazine is the most pretentious publication that has yet appeared extolling the resources of any state, both in the scope and character of its contents and in its typographical beauty. It is modern to the last degree from the latter standpoint, flawlessly printed on heavy plate paper and profusely illustrated with the finest of half tones and color process inserts. Its avowed purpose is "to carry California to the world," and its seven hundred pages have done so most ably, and, praise be, without subsidy from transportation companies or real estate exploiters.

Very largely to the personal efforts of Professor E. J. Wickson, former Dean of the Agricultural College of the University of California, is due the high degree of excellence attained by the new magazine, as it was under his guiding hand that the material was assembled and put into concrete form. Endowed with an energetic spirit and real enthusiasm for the work, aided by a practical knowledge and a wide acquaintance that enabled him to go to authoritative sources for his matter, he has set a record that will not soon be surpassed. Not an important natural resource has been overlooked, and the various departments are not only of practical value but furnish far more interesting reading than do the general run of works of this kind.

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WEATHER REPORTS FROM THE CLIMATIC PARADISE.

Harness racing began in earnest last week, but with the inevitable weather interferences which have afflicted the north since early spring. In consequence many northern-trained horses were rather short of work, but despite this fact, many highly creditable performances are recorded. The most important meetings of the past week were at Detroit, Mich., Marion, O., Cuyahoga Falls, O., and Conneaut Lake, Pa. Mendota, Ill., in the Illinois Valley Circuit, fared as badly as Streator the previous week. However, what racing there was was on the brilliant order. Next week the Grand Circuit opens at North Randall, let us hope with a velvet track and under cloudless skies.—Horse Review.

THE CANADIAN SPIRIT.

"I am happy that it was held, and it quite fulfilled my expectations. If we had dropped the fair this year it would have thrown us back five years. It would have been hard to resurrect it from its ashes and it would have been heartrending after the years of hard work it had taken to build it up." With these staunch words was the closing chapter of this year's Calgary Industrial Exhibition, staged and carried out faithfully under almost every imaginable handicap, written by President Dewey. The spirit shown by our Canadian friends is one that we can recommend to California fair managers unreservedly while they are in the slough of despondency. Profit by it in the future.

Good Afternoon's Sport at Exposition

The weather man seems to have no consideration for the horses, horsemen and sport lovers that frequent the exposition course, as the cool winds, fogs and raw weather that militated against the fullest success of the meeting there in June is still very much in evidence. Last Sunday morning was warm and clear, but by noon the wind had an edge on it that relegated B. V. D.'s to the closet and awoke fond memories of the comforts to be derived from the ownership of boyhood's "red flannels." During the course of the afternoon the sun shone but little, and many of the crowd in the grandstand who had come to the grounds earlier in the day when there was promise of summer warmth reluctantly gave in to the demands for bodily comfort and hit the trail for the shelter of the exhibition palaces and sheltered courts.

Those who came prepared for a bit of bay district weather, however, had the pleasure of witnessing some very interesting contests, none of the five events coming under the head of "walkovers," though in a couple of cases the winners were pretty clearly the best of their fields and were never in serious danger of defeat.

The 2:15 pacers were the first to face Starter Clements, and when it came to getting away the hoodoo man put the jinx on them, crossed his fingers and turned his back. First, King Pointer threw a shoe, causing a short delay while it was tacked on again; then when all was serene and they came back out, the King's sulky collapsed as he turned in scoring, giving Charley Lercari a tumble but doing no injury to either horse or driver, as Charley and one or two boys got the big pacer by the head in short order. The field was then sent to the paddock while a heat of the next race was contested, and when the word was finally given, Tom Murphy, apparently overlooked by the starter, was left lengths back along the outside fence. Hamburg Belle and the Pointer horse surged to the front the whole route, the latter lasting better in the stretch and winning under a hard drive, Senator H. breaking coming out of the turn. Lost shoes caused another delay in the second heat, and when they got the word Senator H. was well behind the leaders while Tom Murphy, placed in the first heat, was on a break. At the half and around the turn King Pointer, Palitea, Hamburg Belle and Emma M. were well bunched, but in the stretch Schwartz swung a bit wide and D. D. Hanks, who had been sitting still behind Senator H. in fifth position, advanced the spark and came through on the pole for a handy win. In the third and final heat it was a case of the Senator all the way, with Emma M. his nearest competitor.

Charley Silva added a bit of bulk to his baggage for the return trip to Sacramento by annexing the trophy for the free-for-all trot with Kid Cupid, who was on his good behavior and trotted two steady miles, with Muggins his best company, the first heat being a close one between the pair until almost to the wire, when the local trotter flew up. J. C. Simpson was unruly and was placed on his own protection early in the scoring, while John Mack failed to live up to expectations. He may be a very fast horse when he is right—in fact he worked better than ten at Los Angeles before coming here, according to the dope sent out from that speed factory—but if Sunday's performance was a fair sample he is everything but a "gentleman's fun horse," even if he were a two-minute trotter.

The free-for-all pace brought out four free-legged sidewheelers and they proceeded to put up a "really and truly" horse race. Charley Silva drew the pole with the ex-champion two-year-old gelding, John Malcolm, and set sail with visions of another trophy dancing before his eyes. W. J. K. broke on the turn, and before reaching the half, with Dick W. leading by virtue of a longer neck and head, John followed suit with one of his bad breaks, George Woodward and W. J. K. both passing him before he settled. Dick W. won from Woodward by about a length, and the Malcolm boy made up a lot of territory when he settled. In the second heat the four went away buzzing, Silva taking the lead from the outside and W. J. K. making another one of "them things" about where he made the first one. Down the stretch there was an evenly spaced procession of John Malcolm, George Woodward, and Dick W., but Ottinger went into the turn in second place. John had a good lead into the stretch but Dick stood Ot's drive in great shape and forced John to pace in 2:09¼ to beat him by a few feet, the drive getting a good hand from the crowd. For the next time out the crowd expected a duello between John and Dick, but W. J. K. had on his pacing clothes and got by his danger point without breaking, showing head and shoulders ahead of George Woodward down through Hungry Hollow. At the half the four were bunched closely, but John led into the turn, with W. J. K. lapped outside him. The wise ones couldn't see anything but John if he kept pacing, as they figured the time too hot for the Kenney horse, but the latter was there with the punch and pulled away from the little brown fellow for a clean win in 2:10¾. Dick W. had the best of the summary by one point and Ot hastened to the hardware like a fond mother after a lost child. It was one of the nicest races of the season, the four starters all going clean and all wearing good plain names —"John," "Dick," "George" and "W.," the latter standing for "Bill."

Bradmont straight-heated the 2:12 pacers by outfooting Happy Dentist and Delilah in the last few rods of each mile, both the old favorites lasting well and finishing gamely both times out. Rosie O. made every post a winning one in the first heat of the slow class, negotiating the mile in 2:21, but gave way to Victor Pointer in the succeeding heats. The two are nicely matched at present, but with a bit of age the filly looks to be the making of the better horse, as she is nice mannered and fast, with a lot of time to improve in if all goes well. Harry Cowell, one of the most ardent amateur sportsmen to be found in any country, presented the club with three of the trophies for the day, the other two being the gifts of Billy Roeder and Luke Marisch, respectively. Here are the details:

First race—2:15 pace:

Senator H. ..... (J. M. Kidd)	5	1	1
King Pointer ..... (H. Campodonico)	1	4	5
Hamburg Belle ..... (J. Ginocchio)	2	2	4
Emma M. ..... (W. Malough)	3	3	3
Palitea ..... (John Kramer)	4	5	3
Tom Murphy ..... (E. T. Ayres)	6	6	dr

Time—2:15½, 2:17½, 2:16½.

Second race—Free-for-all trot:

Kid Cupid ..... (C. F. Silva)	1	1	
Muggins ..... (H. Cohen)	2	2	
St. Patrick ..... (J. J. Ryan)	3	3	
John Mack ..... (S. H. Cowell)	4	5	
J. C. Simpson ..... (F. Goularte)	5	4	

Time—2:14, 2:15.

Third race—Free-for-all pace:

Dick W. ..... (A. Ottinger)	1	2	3
John Malcolm ..... (C. F. Silva)	4	1	2
W. J. K. ..... (W. J. Kenney)	3	4	1
George Woodward ..... (S. H. Cowell)	2	3	4

Time—2:13, 2:09¼, 2:10¾.

Fourth race—2:12 pace:

Bradmont ..... (G. J. Giannini)	1	1	
Happy Dentist ..... (J. J. Ryan)	2	2	
Delilah ..... (F. Goularte)	3	3	
Pointer Bell ..... (Kidd & Luce)	4	4	

Time—2:14¾, 2:16¼.

Fifth race—2:22 mixed:

Victor Pointer ..... (D. W. Keating)	2	1	1
Rosie O. ..... (J. J. Ryan)	1	2	2
Peaches ..... (F. E. Burton)	3	3	3

Time—2:21, 2:20, 2:25.

ALBERTA'S DEMONSTRATION TRAIN.

One of the wonders of the present day world is the progress made in recent years in transforming western Canada, especially that portion of it lying to the east of the continental "back bone," from range to farm, from primeval wilderness to an advanced stage of civilization and productivity that is not surpassed in many regions that have been settled by the white man for a much longer period. Not many years ago numerous cattlemen from this country removed to Alberta and Saskatchewan "where there was range and lots of it, and no nesters to bother with," and proceeded to establish themselves, as they thought, on a permanent basis. Then came the great tide of settlers that froze out the cowmen practically "overnight" and as if by magic transformed the public domain to private demense, the work of decades in the American west being accomplished in the Canadian west almost in a matter of months.

There were many things that contributed to the rapidity with which millions of acres of Canadian prairies were put into a state of successful cultivation, chief among them being the lessons so skilfully drawn from our own ups and downs, successes and failures, and so graphically impressed upon the settler by one or both of the organizations whose energies were bent to the task of making the land a productive one—the dominion government and the C. P. R. When really heavy settlement began the homeseeker had at his disposal a fund of information gleaned from the experimentation of his predecessors that gave him a definite working plan which, faithfully followed, would enable him to reap the fullest fruits of his efforts from the start. The work of educating the farmer has never lagged since its inception, culminating in the modern demonstration train which carries into all settled sections the lessons to be learned from the practicing of farm efficiency and modern methods. We have the same movement in this country but on a lesser scale, the following description in the Farm and Ranch Review, of the present train in use by the provincial government of Alberta giving a graphic idea of the campaign of education that has been the source of western Canada's unrivaled progress:

A representative of the Farm and Ranch Review visited the Provincial Government Demonstration Train during the first day it was in Calgary. This train consists of twelve cars, including two of pure-bred horses and cattle, one of grains and grasses, one of models of buildings, one devoted to dairying and poultry work, one of wild game and fowl, one of domestic science work.

This train is undoubtedly the best that the Alberta department has yet equipped and we believe the best that has ever run in Canada. Not only is it all carefully and very tastefully arranged, but everything is done with an eye to the practical. It is equipped with a staff of able lecturers and demonstrators and during the first part of its trip on the Aldersyde and Foremost-Coutts branches of the C. P. R. drew large crowds at every point. In some places this ran as high as a thousand people.

In the car equipped by the Weeds and Seeds Branch and the Field Husbandry Department of the Schools of Agriculture, thirty-five varieties of grasse are on exhibit. All the natural and wild grasses o economic importance in Alberta are in the exhibit Over fifty varieties of forage crops altogether ar shown. Among the leguminous crops are commo red clover, alsike, dutch or white clover, swee clover, and five different varieties of alfalfa, includ ing Siberian, Grimm and Baltic. These three are th hardiest varieties. Grimm and Baltic have don splendidly in Alberta and Siberian, though it is no as good a yielder, is able to withstand our winte even better than the first two. Peas, vetches an dwarf beans are shown in the straw and threshed. There is a beautiful exhibit of barleys, both threshed and in the sheaf, of all the leading varieties.

All the noxious and poisonous weeds of the province are shown in flower and also threshed in bottles. All the official grades of grain containing both spring and fall wheat, are shown both in sheaf and in glasses.

Alfalfa, showing both procumbent (leaning), and upright strains of the same variety grown separately, is shown. This characteristic can be found in almost any of the alfalfa varieties. An interesting bacteriological exhibit is displayed in the shape of glasses containing the roots of legumes covered with nodules containing nitrogen fixing bacteria which have the power of extracting free nitrogen from the air and storing it in the soil. It is this power which makes the legumes our most valuable soil-building plant. Below are cultures for each species of legumes and the seeds of each of these legumes to which the cultures can be applied. A standard soil classification showing ten grades of soil, sand, light sandy loam, sandy loam, loam, clay loam, heavy clay loam, clay, humus, alkali, and gumbo shows the farmer the various grades of soil and enables him to identify his own more closely and adapt suggestions for soil treatment to his conditions in better manner.

Probably the most interesting part of this car is a fruit exhibit supplied by the Dominion Experimental Farm at Lethbridge and the Alberta Schools of Agriculture. It consists of apples, crab apples, bush fruits, cane fruits, ripe tomatoes, cucumbers, squash, etc. Pictures of various phases of school work are hung about the car and the whole is carefully named, placarded and distributed so as to minimize the necessity of elaborate explanation.

The Agricultural Schools and Demonstration Farms car, three-quarters of which is made up of students' work, contains models of a large frame barn, with stables underneath, a hip roof barn with two thresh floors, a poultry house, piggery, colony houses, wagon racks, wooden tank, axe and hammer handles, all kinds of cabinet work, including tables, knife and fork boxes, model joints, book racks, hat and coat racks, etc. In blacksmith work chains, cold chisels, screw drivers, iron tongs, whiffle-tree and neck-yoke irons, clevises, and hooks, ets., are shown. This part of the exhibit is really remarkable in that it demonstrates the exceedingly high standard the students have attained in manual training at these schools during their first two years.

In the Demonstration Farm department a model dairy barn with a spacious loft, similar to the barns on the various demonstration farms, and showing both the King and Rutherford systems of ventilation, is exhibited. A model of a cheap barn 72x36 with no storage room above and with the lower part similar to that of the expensive barn and which can be built for $700 is also shown. This barn can be added to as the means of the builder warrants. Miniature apparatus for handling hay, stalls, watering outfit and silo are shown. A large container of ensilage taken from the silo at Vermilion and in good condition at this late season, gives the staff an opportunity of explaining the advantages of silage, even in Alberta. Blue prints of many up-to-date barn and house plans free to anyone, decorate the walls of this car.

In the dairy section the effect of bacteria in the deterioration of milk and cream and the necessity of keeping such in first-class condition is well demonstrated. A milk cooler and a water tank which can be placed between the pump or spring and watering trough shows a very cheap and efficient means of cooling milk and cream. Butter in clean, white tubs and boxes and butter put up in filthy pails and soap boxes gives a vivid idea of the proper means of marketing this produce. Mr. Scott, in charge of this believed there would be at least five cents a pound difference between butter put up in these vessels. Jars of butter at three stages, namely, when churning should cease, after washing, and after salting, is a very simple and yet valuable part of the exhibit. A herd testing outfit and charts emphasizing various parts of the dairying industry finish this exhibit.

In the poultry department the result of the egg laying competition from December to June are shown and a case of commercial poultry food is to be seen. The value of trap nests, leg banding, and keeping of record sheets is well demonstrated. There are models of various types of poultry houses, showing interior fixtures, methods of ventilation, chicken brooder coops, colony houses, dry mash hoppers, drinking fountains, fattening and shipping crates, an A-shaped brooder house and a protected run with feed hopper. Placards giving most valuable and concise hints, pictures of the poultry plant and fixtures at Edmonton and a new poultry bulletin adorn the walls.

The general live stock car contains models of small hog houses, showing various methods of ventilation, and sheep rack for feeding either grain or hay,

omesteaders stable with thatched roof made of brush nd the sides built of the same material, a horse barn nd swine pens in the colony house style for summer se, the interior and exterior of a swine breeder's ouse showing the distribution of the various pens o best advantage, a home-made feed cooker and the sential parts of a home-steaders piggery.

The live stock for demonstration purposes and representing the most important breeds of the province is kept in two separate cars.

In the same car is a wool exhibit put up by the Dominion Government showing the various grades of western wool and the benefits of grading are explained to wool growers from the train.

In the next car is an exhibit from the Department of the Provincial Veterinarian and Game Department. All the poisonous weeds of the province which in various places do considerable damage every year are shown and the antidotes are explained. On the walls are charts showing different diseases of the legs and feet of a horse. These diagrams make very clear the cause of the various diseases of the bones and feet, in fact it is one of the most graphic descriptions we have ever seen. In addition there are bones to illustrate the anatomy of the various parts. This part of the exhibit is designed to help out the farmer who is far from a central point where the services of a good veterinarian can be obtained. It is in charge of Dr. Talbot, Provincial Veterinarian.

In the exhibit of wild animals and birds a real attempt is being made to interest the public and increase the public education in regard to the various game laws and seasons. About one hundred birds of Alberta are shown, including those of economic importance both destructive and beneficial. Many of the larger game, including mountain sheep, coyotes, etc., are exhibited and are very fine specimens indeed. The skins of the best fur-bearing animals are shown. The Hungarian pheasant and partridge, both of which have been introduced into the province recently and have increased rapidly, are to be seen. The pinette grouse which has gradually worked its way west from Minnesota until last year it reached Alberta is exhibited.

Probably the most interesting car and one which has attracted the greatest attention, so far as it appeals to every householder in the province, is that devoted to women's work. In one end are many labor-saving devices which save the housewife endless steps. There is a kitchen cabinet, fully equipped, washing machine and wringer, ice cream freezer, bread mixer, and a dozen other neat yet cheap contrivances that every housewife should have. Do not fail to see this. In the laundry exhibit is shown the proper method of washing white and colored goods, in the doing of which many housewives make serious mistakes. Blueing tests are shown.

In the sewing section the work done by the girls at the schools of agriculture from plain sewing, mending, patching, darning, fancy work and dress making, up to finishing a complete set of clothing, is shown.

Samples are exhibited of preserved fruits and the best methods of preserving them are explained. A very interesting part indeed is a properly set table for family dinner While probably it is not absolutely essential that farmers set their tables in any exact manner, still there is nothing which is quite so nice as a properly set table. It gives a finished touch, and cannot help but add to the dignity of a home, giving the farmer himself, as well as his children, a respect for this kind of thing which is all too lacking amongst them. Women and girls should not fail to see this.

In the home nursing department the furnishings of a sick room, showing a home made bed rest, bed tray, and home medicine cabinet are shown. This is well worth seeing and many valuable hints can be obtained from this department for farmers who are far away from medical assistance. A baby's table with all nursery equipment is very interesting to young mothers. The car contains many suggestions for house furnishings, window curtains and shades and the walls are decorated with pictures of the work carried on in the girls' department at the Agricultural Schools.

COLORADO ASSOCIATION BUYS OVERLAND PARK.

The beautiful Overland park, embracing 164 acres of rich land, including the race courses, has been purchased by the stockholders of the Colorado Agricultural Fair and Racing Association for $150,000. The property was owned by Henry Wolcott and was under lease by the association. The sale followed the successful racing meeting just closed at the Overland, the profits of the season being invested in the property. This transfer means the investment of a large sum of money, including the building of a new grandstand and other decided improvements The stockholders of the Fair and Racing Association include W. O. Reynolds, Ramon Solis, John O. Talbott, W. W. Finn, Mart Watrous, James McGill and John Quinn, all residents of Denver. The new grandstand will be located on a knoll to the north of the park where the far stretch turn is at present, which will necessitate a change in the grading of the course. In addition the new comers have under consideration the building of an automobile speedway that will encircle the entire property and give a course that will measure two miles and a half in extent.—Field and Farm.

Records Fall as Grand Circuit Opens

North Randall, O., July 19, 1915.—While it was generally admitted that there was more speed on tap at the track here than at any time in its history, the records hung up at the opening of the Grand Circuit racing season here today were faster than even the most sanguine booster of the trotter had anticipated. Not only was a new track record for two-year-old trotters established, but the afternoon witnessed the fastest opening heat ever trotted on the big line, and the reduction of the pacing record for The Edwards stake for the wigglers eligible to the 2:10 class. Favorites delivered the goods with but one exception and the average time for aged performers was 2:05¾ for the nine heats necessary to return three winners.

The 2:07 pace went to Single G., the Indiana bearcat, in three straight heats, Frank Patch and Rastus furnishing the hottest part of the competition, with Martin Brennan and The Climax, the combination that has already attracted considerable attention through their earlier performances this season, not far away. Rastus, sent home from Phoenix last fall by Lon McDonald when he went on to the coast, was a right oily pacer today and forced the winner out in the second heat in 2:03¾, a reduction of three and a half seconds in his winrace record.

Lee Axworthy, the Pastime Stables' good four-year-old trotter, showed quite a bit lame when Andrews brought him out for the 2:08 trot, but similar ailment could be borne with fortitude by other campaigners, judging from the two heats he reeled off in 2:05¼ and 2:06¾, a new mark for the opening trot of the season. Andrews repeated for his patrons in the Forrest City Sweepstakes for two-year-old trotters, the highly touted Volga never being in danger, apparently, and setting a new mark of 2:13¼ for two-year-old trotters over this course.

The only upset of the day was in The Edwards, in which Russell Boy routed the wise men by administering a trimming to a field of a dozen high class pacers, in which Hal Boy ruled the favorite on the strength of his showing at San Francisco. A hungry looking gentleman named Murphy who has a small stable of some thirty or forty horses at the local track, with which he expects to go on down the big line and as far west as Phoenix and San Francisco, snared the first heat from the favorite in 2:04¾, Russell Boy barely escaping the flag. In the second heat McDaniel camped on the rustic gentleman's tail for a win in 2:03¾, with Murphy "trying" but falling a little short. Russell Boy had troubles in the third heat, which went to Queen Abbess, who was pacing consistently all the time, with Hal S. again second. For the fourth heat, which was a highbrow affair for heat winners only, the judges considered that the outsider would have a better chance with an inside driver, so "Pop" Geers was called on to pilot the black fellow, the wily gentleman from sunny Tennessee carrying Murphy's roan gelding to a break at the head of the stretch and winning as he pleased. The day in detail follows:

North Randall, O., July 19, 1915.

2:07 pace, purse $1,200:

Single G., b h by Anderson Wilkes.....(Gosnell) 1 1 1
Frank Patch, br h by The Patchen Boy.....(Cox) 2 4 2
Rastus, br g by Liberty Boy.....(McDonald) 4 2 3
The Climax, bl h by Gov. D. R. Francis (Brennan) 6 3 4
Beth Clarke (Valentine), Rose Equity (Ruthven), Alcy E. (McMahon) also started.
Time—2:06½, 2:03¾, 2:05¼.

2:08 trot, purse $1,500:

Lee Axworthy, b h by Guy Axworthy (Andrews) 1 1
Bright Axworthy, b g by Axworthy.....(Murphy) 2 4
Bonington, ch h by Bellini.....(Dickerson) 8 2
Wilgo (Marvin), Lucile Spier (Shank), The Duchess (McDonald), Dago (Grady), Reusens (Rodney), Grand Marshall (Snow) also started.
Time—2:05¼, 2:06¾.

The Edwards, 2:10 pace, purse $3,000:

Russell Boy, b h by Rustic Patenter..... (McDaniel-Geers) 9 1 7 1
.....(Murphy) 1 2 2 3
Hal S., ro g by Hal Chaffin.....(White) 4 4 1 2
Queen Abbess, br m by The Abbe....(White) 4 4 1 2
Hal Boy (M. Childs), Camelia (Cox), Lustrous McKinney (Rodney), Patrick M. (Stokes), Thistle Patch (Snow), Hal Conner (Geers), Miss Miriam (McMahon), Walnut Grove (Ruthven), O. U. C. (F. Childs) also started.
Time—2:04¾, 2:03¾, 2:06½, 2:09¼.

Forest City Sweepstakes, two-year-old trot, value $1,500:

Volga, ch f by Peter the Great.....(Andrews) 1 1
Native Judge, b c by Justice Brook.....(Murray) 2 2
Sis Bingen, bl f by Bingen.....(McAllister) 3 3
Time—2:16¼, 2:13¾.

Second Day.

Tuesday, July 20—While the time made at today's session of the Grand Circuit Speed Brokers' Association was hardly as sensational as that of yesterday, only two heats out of the eleven failed to come under the 2:10 figure, and they missed it by fractions of one second only, while the track record for three-year-old trotters, formerly held by Lee Axworthy (the lad that on yesterday set a new mark for the Grand Circuit's opening trot) was reduced a quarter of a second.

After the 2:19 trotters had been given a careful once over by the talent, Bud Murray and Al Mack were accorded a whole lot of respect, justifying their backers' confidence by romping home in one-two-three order, the fastest heat required being one in 2:09¼. Loe Blossom showed considerable improvement in manners over the form displayed in her engagements at the exposition meeting last month, for while she was not equal to the task of taking Al Mack's measure she outranked a number of other good trotters and was a consistent second at the finish of each heat. She is entered advantageously on down the line and promises to be useful and profitable if she "keeps coming" in steadiness and behavior, as she has an ample abundance of speed.

The 2:12 pacers tramped three merry miles, the home contingent in attendance deriving a lot of satisfaction from Charley Valentine's victory with Judge Ormonde over Tommy Murphy with Peter Farren, the race being in reality a duel between these two fast pacers. The Columbus trainer showed the way to the wire for the first two heats in 2:05¼, each, Murphy winning the third in time two seconds slower. Clara Walker, piloted by Cox, was the best of the balance of the field, and the Portland, Oregon, pacer Imbro, making his first start on the big line, was fourth for Marvin Childs.

The real feature of the day was the North Randall Sweepstakes for three-year-old trotters that could qualify for the 2:18 class, Tommy Murphy scoring his first win of the meeting with the Walnut Hall filly Bondella, out of Bondalin by The Bondsman. This lassie clipped a second from her two-year-old record by trotting the first heat in 2:09, and in the final heat cut the North Randall track record for the age and gait from 2:08 to 2:07¾ in brilliant style. Colorado Range, George Estabrook's "hope" as a successor to the lamented Colorado E. (3) 2:04¾, was a consistent second in Lon McDonald's hands.

Leila Patchen and W. L. Snow were the class of the 2:05 pace, their performance helping to bolster up interest in the event very much indeed. Del Rey was the logical pick of the bunch, but in three sizzling drives Snow carried the ex-Californian to breaks that put the race at her disposal, Nutmoor, another California native son, annexing third position in the summary. The figures follow:

July 20—2:19 trot, purse $1,200:

Al Mack, b h by McLintock.....(Murray) 1 1 1
Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide.....(F. Childs) 2 2 2
Todd McGregor, ch h by Cochato.....(Rodney) 6 4 3
Sarah Douglas (Floyd), Emma Dillon (Nolan), Allerta (Snedecker), King Bellini (Dickerson), Lusitania (Marvin) also started.
Time—2:10¼, 2:09¼, 2:10¾.

2:12 pace, purse $1,200:

Judge Ormonde, bl h by Ormonde....(Valentine) 1 1 2
Peter Farren, b h by Peter the Great (Murphy) 2 2 1
Clara Walker, b m by Early Reaper.....(Cox) 1 3 3
Imbro (M. Childs), Hedgewood Patchen (McDonald), Bud Elliott (Geers), Hedger (Rea), Present Queen (McAllister) also started.
Time—2:05¼, 2:05¼, 2:07¼.

North Randall Sweepstakes, for three-year-old trotters eligible to 2:18 class, value $1,570:

Bondella, b f by Walnut Hall.....(Murphy) 1 1
Colorado Range, b c by Colorado E.....(McDonald) 2 2
General French, b c by Justice Brooke....(Murray) 3 4
Leonore McKinney (Andrews), Prince Todd (Moore), Deroche (Geers), Harlem Express (Dickerson), Denali (Cox) also started.
Time—2:09, 2:07¾.

2:05 pace, purse $1,200:

Lelia Patchen, bl m by Dan's Brother.....(Snow) 1 1 1
Del Rey, b h by Nutwood Wilkes.....(Cox) 3 2 2
Nutmoor, b h by Nutwood Wilkes.....(Majers) 2 4 4
Strathstorm (Murray), The Assessor (McMahon), also started.
Time—2:06¼, 2:04½, 2:06¾.

Third Day.

Wednesday, July 21—Twelve heats from 2:04¾ to 2:08¾, the average for the round dozen being a bit faster than 2:07, furnished plenty for the spectators to talk about today. Tommy Murphy had a full day's work, as he had an entry in each event, winning two first and two fourth moneys.

Lou Jennings, who with The Climax has been making an excellent showing in the minor meetings prior to the opening of the big show, carried Martin Brennan to the front in the 2:11 trot after losing the first heat to Guy Nella, of the Geers stable, the latter lass also being a hot contender in the second heat and causing the winner to go the route in 2:06¾. Laramie Lad consistently improved his standing as the race progressed, being second in the final heat and outranking Tommy Murphy's highly touted Lulu Lumine.

Bingen Pointer, the favorite, delivered the goods in straight heat order in the 2:15 pace, never being in anything like grave difficulties, Billy Law being the best contender in the first and second heats and Rella E. racing into place in the third. In the 2:09 pace, however, the talent got the most severe jolt of the meeting to date, Fred W., a top heavy favorite, going down to defeat before Tommy Murphy's Major Ong, who rambled the first heat in 2:04¾ and the second in 2:06¼. Fred W. was trying and was second in the second heat and won the last, giving his backers at least the consolation of knowing that they had a run for their money.

The race of the day in which the greatest interest centered, however, was The Ohio stake for 2:09 trotters, which witnessed the first meeting of the horses that are pitted against each other in the main stakes of the season through the circuit. Peter Scott, the thirty-thousand-dollar "hold-over" trotter in the Murphy stable, got away safely with the big end of the money, but there was a feeling in the crowd that the best horse may not have won at that, as that other good son of Peter the Great, Peter McCormick, was second the first heat in 2:06½, won the next in 2:05½, and was again second in the third in 2:07¾. At the conclusion of the latter mile protest was made claiming that McMahon helped Murphy by carrying Peter McCormick wide in order to let Peter Scott through, but the judges had apparently seen nothing

wrong. Sure it is that Shuler's big brown horse is a wonderful trotter. The summary:

July 21—2:11 trot, purse $1,200:
Lou Jennings, br m by Todd.....(Brennan) 2 1 1
Guy Nella, b m by Guy Axworthy.....(Geers) 1 2 3
Laramie Lad, b g by Master Bo.....(McDonald) 5 4 2
Lulu Lumine (Murphy), Fair Virginia (Cox), Pass All (Colburn), John R. Dillon (Andrews), Baby Doll (Quinn) also started.
Time—2:07¼, 2:06¾, 2:08½.

2:15 pace, purse $1,200:
Bingen Pointer, b h by King Bingen.....(Snow) 1 1 1
Billy Law, bl g by Law King.....(Squires) 2 2 8
Bella E., b m by Searchlight.....(McAllister) 7 6 2
Jean (Murphy), Vandola (Powell), Rex Heart (Valentine), Crescent Simmons (McMahon), Presolite (Geers) also started.
Time—2:06¼, 2:06½, 2:08¾.

The Ohio, 2:09 trot, purse $3,000:
Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great....(Murphy) 1 2 1
Peter McCormick, br h by Peter the Great (Shuler)2 1 2
King Clansman, br h by The Clansman (McMahon)3 4 3
Worthy Prince (Cox), McCloskey (McDonald), Albaloma (Quinn), Lizzie Brown (Andrews) also started.
Time—2:05½, 2:05½, 2:07¾.

2:09 pace, purse $1,200:
Major Ong, b g by Major Gantz.....(Murphy) 1 1 4
Fred W., b g by Modern Chimes.....(White) 3 2 1
Tredel, b h by Tregantle.....(Ray) 5 3 2
Altawood (Valentine), Aconite (Cox), Symbol Meata (McDonald), Fleeta Dillon (Shuler), Ruby K. (Dempsey), Fred Russell (Hersey) also started.
Time—2:04¾, 2:06¼, 2:08¼.

Fourth Day.

Thursday, July 22—The weather man rubbed the velvet all off his antlers last night and proceeded to "horn in" on the proceedings at North Randall today, the races being delayed in starting so that only four of the five events could be raced off over a track that was naturally not as fast as on the preceding days. Two races went in straight heats, the 2:20 pace to Pat Carmody and the 2:15 trot to Mirthful, but the others were split. A good big field faced Starter Walker in the Tavern "Steak" for "trotters that had never beaten 2:14¼ in a race." that being the clause by which the Association sidestepped the no record rule for losing performances, Lettie Lee winning the first heat with Miss Directed hot on her trail, and The Guide some positions back From then on, however, there was nothing to it but Edward F. Geers and his son of Peter the Great, Lettie Lee having to be content with the second cut from the "steak." The Eno, out in front at the three-quarters, choked and fell, but the field by good fortune got by without further mishap.

Geers also had the winner of the 2:17 trot in the bay horse St. Frisco by San Francisco 2:07¾, this event bringing out about the best contest of the day. Pop and the four-year-old annexed the first heat in 2:13¼ from Tommy Murphy with Strafford, but the Poughkeepsie pair came back with a heat in 2:08¼, with the Tennessee-Kentucky combination second, and The Proof, with Billy Andrews up, finishing a nice fourth after having been well back in the ruck in the first heat. The more Andrews felt of the California trotter the better he liked him, apparently, and the pair romped away with the next heat in 2:10¾, St. Frisco second and Strafford fifth. "Heat-winners" was the call for the fourth heat, but Strafford had had a sufficiency for one day and went to the barn, leaving Geers and Andrews to trot it out, the former winning in 2:12¼. This is the third race of his career for Keefer & Spencer's trot horse, The Proof, and he gained a world of respect from the spectators who saw him race today. The summaries:

July 22—2:20 pace, purse $1,200:
Pat Carmody, br h by Al Stanley...(Whitehead) 1 1 1
Hal Plex E., b h by Empire Hal.....(Geers) 2 5 2
John H., b g by Locanda.....(Cox) 5 3 3
Virginia G., Grace Ongale and Marriott also started.
Time—2:08¾, 2:10¼, 2:11¼.

Tavern "Steak," for trotters that never beat 2:14¼, purse $2,000:
The Guide, b h by Peter the Great.....(Geers) 6 1 1
Lettie Lee, b m by Moko.....(White) 1 3 3
Miss Directed, br m by Directwell....(McDevitt) 2 5 2
Todd Temple, Roy Miller, Mary Warren, Precious Crescent, The Toddler, Montferris, Sadie S., Dick Watts, Brooklyn Hall, June Red and The Eno also started.
Time—2:06¾, 2:08¼, 2:09.

2:17 trot, purse $1,200:
St. Frisco, b h by San Francisco.....(Geers) 1 2 2 1
The Proof, br h by The Exponent...(Andrews) 8 4 1 2
Strafford, b h by Moko.....(Murphy) 2 1 5 dr
Empress of Russia, Henry F., Tommy Todd, Baron Bates, Dolly Dixon, Mawitza and Orlettre also started.
Time—2:13¼, 2:08¼, 2:10¾, 2:12¼.

2:15 trot, purse $1,200:
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen (Murphy) 1 1 1
Bacolli, b c (3) by Bertini.....(Andrews) 4 3 2
Jack K., ch g by Silverlinch.....(Gray) 2 4 3
Blue Feather, Worthy Bingen and Lady Cochato also started.
Time—2:10½, 2:10¾, 2:09½.

OFF FOR NEW ZEALAND.

The passenger list of the Union S. S. Company's royal mail steamer Marama, which cleared from this port Wednesday morning for Wellington and Sidney, included the names of Logan Pointer, Trixie Pointer and Bonflene—names that will no doubt become very familiar to the ears of New Zealand horsemen before Freeman Holmes gets through with them. Incidentally it may be mentioned that The Bondsman's "brood mare stock" has taken a jump since Mr. Holmes made his recent purchases, owing to the brilliant performance on Wednesday at Cleveland by the three-year-old filly Bondella, whose two heats in 2:09 and 2:07¾ stamp her as a very high class trotter. She is out of a daughter of The Bondsman and had a record of 2:10 as a two-year-old. All three of the Holmes consignment are good natured scamps, and before the Marama cast loose from the pier many of her passengers and crew had made friends with their equine fellow passengers.

TOMORROW'S MATINEE TO BE AT STADIUM.

Owing to the fact that the race track enclosure at the exposition will be in use for other purposes tomorrow, the San Francisco-California Driving Club will hold its customary Sunday matinee back at "the old familiar place," the Stadium in Golden Gate Park. Owing to the superior footing at the park speedway many of the horses now racing elsewhere receive all of their work there, and the return will not only be a welcome change for the club members, but for the public as well, as many matinee devotees find the long trip to the exposition track inconvenient. Cups have been donated for five events, for which the following entries have been made:

First race, 2:25 mixed—P. F. Kane's Marin, R. Consani's G. J. P., R. Roberts' Aerolite, R. Kehoe's Hello Girl, Dan Healy's Silver Logan, J. J. Ryan's Rosie O., J. Holland's Laddie G.

Second race, 2:18 pace—J. Ginocchio's Hamburg Belle, J. Doran's Listole, F. Goularte's Delilah, Ed Ayres' Tom Murphy, H. Campodonico's King Pointer, D. W. Keating's Victor Pointer, William Malough's Emma M.

Third race—free-for-all pace—A. Ottinger's Dick W., H. Cohen's Vera Hal, George J. Giannini's Bradmont.

Fourth race, free-for-all trot—H. Cohen's Muggins, J. J. Ryan's St. Patrick, R. Combatalade's Birdeye, F. Goularte's J. C. Simpson.

Fifth race, 2:15 pace—Joe Kidd's Senator H., J. J. Ryan's Happy Dentist, McDonnell and Conlan's Jack, Kidd and Luce's Pointer Bell.

CALGARY, ALBERTA.

Calgary, Alta., July 7, 1915.—In the face of about every possible discouragement that could well appear, the Calgary Industrial Exhibition that came to a close here this afternoon was well patronized and tonight Manager Richardson and his associates are of the opinion that the project will about break even, though it will be some days before final figures are available. The attendance for the five days was 77,640, a decrease of nearly 12,000 from last year's total, but this had been anticipated. Between seventy and eighty thousand dollars was paid out by the exhibition, and the stimulus given to local business and the amount of money placed in local circulation by the holding of the event is not to be estimated.

The racing throughout was keen and interesting, nearly six thousand dollars being distributed among trotting horse men and a goodly amount going to the followers of the runners. Speculation was brisk and in only one event was it necessary for the judges to impose penalties for unsatisfactory racing. The summaries of the trotting and pacing events follow:

Calgary, Alberta, July 1, 1915.

2:09 pace or 2:04 trot, purse $700:
Nellie G., bl m by Simored.....(Matheson) 2 1 1 2 1
King Bond, b h by The Bondsman..(Lewis) 1 2 3 1 2
Dean Swift, b g by Almaden D.....(Haag) 4 3 2 3 3
Soumise, b m by Billy Dunlap....(Leggett) 3 4 4 4 4
Time—2:16½, 2:15, 2:17½, 2:16½, 2:19.

2:15 pace or 2:10 trot, purse $700:
Hal Chief, br h by Hal B.....(Matheson) 1 1 1
Scarlet Trent, b h by Parovas.....(Brown) 6 2 2
Garibaldi, b g by Zombro.....(Vance) 2 5 4
King Okla, br h by Symboleer.....(Lewis) 3 3 3
Roxey Hal, Lomona and Miss Mercury also started.
Time—2:18, 2:14½, 2:16.

July 2—2:30 pace or 2:25 trot, purse $500:
Jim Mayburn, br h by Will Mayburn(Giroux) 2 4 1 1 1
Altabana, b h by Urbana Mac.....(Lewis) 1 2 2 2 2
Jessie Waters, b m by General H..(Kenner) 3 1 3 3 2
Easter Light, b h by Ray O'Light..(Haag) 4 3 dr
Time—2:24½, 2:32½, 2:26½, 2:24¼, 2:25.

2:25 trot, purse $500:
Katie Todd, br m.....(Haag) 8 1 1 1
Senorita the Great, bl m by Peter the Great..
.....(Dompier) 1 4 2 2
Lady Garland, b m.....(Kirby) 2 2 3 4
Adaline, ch m by Johnline.....(Mitchell) 3 3 4 3
Oro Monbells, Carbon, Don Almo, Mercury and Alta Mac also started.
Time—2:22¼, 2:22¼, 2:22½, 2:23¼.

July 3—2:22 pace or 2:17 trot, purse $600:
Lady Halford, ch m by Young Hal(Vance)7 4 2 1 1 1
Miss Eileen, bl m.....(Kirby) 6 1 1 3 7 2
Molly, b m by Knox.....(Leggett) 1 3 3 2 3 ro
Minnie B. B., bl m.....(Haag) 2 2 6 5 ro
Mildred Direct, Maxine W., Hal Stewart, Aurelia Lou and Joe the Limit also started.
Time—2:21¾, 2:19½, 2:20¾, 2:21¼, 2:22½, 2:25.

2:14 trot, purse $500:
Copious, b g by LaCopia.....(McGirr) 1 3 4 1 1
Midnight Oro, bl h by Oro Wilkes (Wright) 5 1 1 2 2
Dan Matthews, b g by Eagle Blood (Brown) 2 2 2 3 3
The Fact, ro m by The Exponent (Dompier) 3 4 5 4 4
Dr. Wilkes, b g by Steel Arch.....(Haag) 4 5 3 5 5
Time—2:19½, 2:17¼, 2:20¼, 2:19¼, 2:21¼.

July 5—2:17 trot, purse $500:
The Fact, ro m by The Exponent (Dompier) 4 1 1 3 1
Midnight Oro, bl h by Oro Wilkes..(Haag) 2 2 2 2 2
Katie Todd, br m.....(Wright) 5 3 3 1 3
Adaline, ch m by Johnline.....(Mitchell) 1 4 4 5 4
Alta Mac and Oro Monbells also started.
Time—2:20¾, 2:17¾, 2:20¼, 2:23, 2:24¾.

2:12 pace or 2:07 trot, purse $600:
Hal Chief, br h by Hal B.....(Matheson) 1 1 1
Alpha Dell, b g by Alvin L.....(Vance) 2 3 3
Dean Swift, b g by Almaden D.....(Haag) 3 4 2
Soumise, b m by Billy Dunlap.....(Leggett) 4 2 4
Time—2:15¾, 2:16½, 2:17.

July 6—2:18 pace or 2:13 trot, purse $500:
Scarlet Trent, b h by Parovas.....(Brown) 1 1 1
Roxey Hal, gr m by Hal B.....(Hoffman) 2 2 2
Hamamotto, b h by Searchlight.....(Dompier) 7 3 3
Sir Wilfred, gr g by Leland Onward.....(Smith) 3 4 4
Miss Eileen, Hal Stewart and Molly also started.
Time—2:17¼, 2:18, 2:19¼.

2:30 pace or 2:25 trot, purse $600:
Garibaldi, b g by Zombro.....(Vance) 1 1 1
Flashlight, b m.....(Brown) 3 3 2
Mildred Direct, b m by Go Direct....(Dompier) 7 2 3
Minnie B. B., bl m.....(Haag) 2 5 5
Aurelia Lou, Joe the Limit and Betsy Hal also started.
Time—2:20¾, 2:19½, 2:20.

DETROIT, MICHIGAN.

[Michigan Short Ship.]

Detroit, July 5—2:24 trot, purse $1000:
Jack K., ch g by Silver Finch.....(Gray) 2 1 1 1
Vanko, b g by Unko.....(Pierce) 1 2 2 8
Mr. Forbes, b h by J. Malcolm Forbes.....
.....(Cornell and Thomas) 3 3 3 5
Blackburn Watts, b h by Gen. Watts (Snow) 5 5 4 4
Melrose, 7-6-5-2; Clifton, 6-5-7-3; Lena Moko, 4-7-8-7; Fancy Harkaway, 10-8-6-6; Robin, 8-9-dis.; Hazel Custer, 9-10-dis.; Bessie Custer, 11-dr.; Belle of Miami, dis.
Time—2:18¼, 2:18¼, 2:15½, 2:17¾.

2:14 pace, purse $1000:
Lillian T., bl m by Roy Patchen.....(Wilson) 1 1 1
Flaxy B., b m by Quaker K.....(Cares) 3 2 4
George Allerton, ro h by Kay Allerton (McDaniel) 6 4 2
Edith C., ch m by Simon.....(Crummer) 5 6 3
Don C., 4-3-5; Robert Baron, 2-5-dis.; Anna Carll, dis.
Time—2:16¼, 2:17¼, 2:21.

2:22 trot, purse $500:
Colonel Riser, br h by Early Riser.....(Brennan) 1 1 1
Polly T., b m by Cochato.....(Garrison) 3 3 2
Josie B., b m by Meadowdale.....
.....(Diamond and Thomas) 2 2 5
Caroline, b m by John B. Donovan.....(Jones) 6 4 3
Loretta Woodcliffe, 4-5-4; Rala Hall, 5-dis.; S. B. Walker, dis.
Time—2:25¼, 2:23¼, 2:21¾.

2:22 pace, purse $500:
Adioo Guy, ch h by Guy Dillon.....(Gray) 3 1 1 1
Mary Peter, b m by Peter the Great.....
.....(Crummer and Garrison) 1 2 2 2
Canute, b h by Great Heart.....(Goddard) 2 4 3 3
Bertha Walsh, b m by Alcyonium Boy.....
.....(Fleming) 4 3 4 4
Time—2:17½, 2:18½, 2:19¼, 2:20¼.

July 6—2:18 trot, purse $500:
Nata Prime, b m by John Bascomb (Jones) 3 3 1 1 1
Kongo, b g by Moko.....(Milloy) 1 1 5 2 2
Princess Louise, b m by Del Coronado....
.....(Tandy) 2 2 3 3 3
Alleroid, bl h by Allerton.....(Cornell) 4 4 4 5 5
Police H., 5-6-6-4-4; Miss Simmons, 7-7-2-6-6; Pine Knot, 6-5-7-dr.
Time—2:16¼, 2:17, 2:18¼, 2:17¼, 2:17¾.

2:16 pace, purse $500:
Toniko, br g by Unko.....(Collins) 1 1 1
Blue Line, b h by Pearline.....(Jones) 7 2 2
Peter Bingen, b h by Baron Peter.....(Kirby) 6 3 4
Josie B., b m by Doctor Joe.....(Brown) 5 6 3
Don Wilkes, 2-7-5; Myra Belle, 4-4-6; Baron Hart, 3-5-dr.; Cora Blackford, dis.
Time—2:13¾, 2:13¼, 2:13¼.

2:20 pace, stake $1000:
Eel Direct, gr h by The Eel.....(Crummer) 1 1 1
Hal Actor, b h by Actonward.....(Jones) 2 2 2
Baronwood, br h by Barongale.....(Culver) 3 3 4
Paul S., b g by Kal Allerton.....(McDaniel) 4 4 3
Hilo Mack, dis.
Time—2:14¾, 2:14¾, 2:13¼.

2:15 trot, purse $500:
Lou Jennings, br m by Todd.....(Brennan) 3 2 1 1 1
Andral, b g by Norval.....(Gosnell) 1 1 2 5 3
Adelaide Benson, b m by Dick Benson....
.....(Tandy) 5 4 3 2 4
Crown King, b g by Chimes King (Mitchell) 2 3 4 4 5
Sunday Morning, 4-6-6-3-2; Alta Coast, 6-5-5-6-6; Lad McKinney, 7-dis.
Time—2:14, 2:14¼, 2:15¼, 2:16¾, 2:17¼.

July 9—Three-year-old 2:20 trot, purse $500:
Anne Cecil, br f by Directum Spier....(Goddard) 4 1 1
Morning Gossip, br c by Border Knight (Garrison) 1 4 2
Lieutenant Aubrey, b c by Captain Aubrey....
.....(Thomas) 2 3 ro
Letta Watts, b f by General Watts....(Harrison) 5 2 ro
Peter Chenault, 3-5-ro.; Lula, 6-6-ro.; Red Wing, dis.
Time—2:22¼, 2:22¼, 2:21¼.

2:25 pace, purse $500:
A. D. C., b g by Hal Patchen.....(Fleming) 1 1 1
William Shive, b g by Sphinx Medium (Hopkins) 3 4 5
Paronia, b m by Paronhurst.....(Milloy) 7 3 3
Wilbur S., ch g by Anderson Wilkes....(Gosnell) 6 5 2
Maggie C., ch m by King Melrose.....(Langs) 4 2 7
Dude J., b g by King Arlington.....(Elson) 2 7 4
FreeBond, 5-6-6.
Time—2:14¼, 2:13¼, 2:13¼.

Match pace, stake $1,000:
Lord Seymour, br h by Barongale.....(Cares) 2 1 1 1
Local Option, gr g by Huxter Joe....(Ashley) 1 2 2 2
Time—2:14¼, 2:10¼, 2:13¼, 2:12¾.

2:12 pace, purse $500:
Billy Brino, b h by Wildbrino.....(Fleming) 1 1 1
The Climax, b h by Governor D. R. Francis....
.....(Brennan) 2 3 4
Mainline, b h by Shaughran.....(Van Vleet) 6 2 3
The Indian, b h by Hidalgo.....(Noble) 3 4 6
Polly Ann, 8-5-2; Major Kelly, 5-7-5; Elisha Jay, 7-6-7; Donald B., 9-9-8; The Mouse, 4-8-dr.; Dan B., 10-dis.
Time—2:09¾, 2:09¼, 2:10¾.

July 10—2:28 trot, purse $500:
Great Bells, br h by Bells.....(Garrison) 1 1 1
Thomas Holloway, b g by Adbell.....(Gray) 3 2 4
Ruth Sandalwood, b m by Sandalwood (Hoffman) 4 4 2
Doris Watts, b m by General Watts...(Goddard) 2 3 6
Marion K., 5-6-3; Arlo May, 6-5-8; Worthy Guard, 8-7-5; Wildstone, 7-8-7; Lady Mac, dis.
Time—2:21¾, 2:21½, 2:20¼.

2:18 pace, purse $500:
Don Wilkes, ch g by Baron Beautiful....(Tandy) 1 1 1
No Chance, b g by Allan Downs.....(Overly) 3 3 2
Canute, b h by Great Heart.....(Goddard) 4 2 3
Lucile Brooks, b m by Alcyo.....(Little) 2 4 4
Sunburn Pointer, 5-5-5.
Time—2:14¼, 2:13¾, 2:13¼.

Free-for-all pace, purse $1,000:
Flower Direct, b m by Direct's Star (Whitehead) 1 1 1
Billy M., ch g by Newtown Boy.....(Sweeney) 2 2 2
King Couchman, b g by Atlantic King..(Thomas) 3 3 3
Time—2:09½, 2:11¼, 2:13.

2:16 trot, stake $1,000:
Binville, bl h by Binjolla.....(Tipling) 1 1 1
Adelaide Benson, b m by Dick Benson..(Tandy) 2 2 4
Italian Aubrey, b g by Captain Aubrey (Thomas) 4 4 3
Irving Heart, b h by Great Heart.....(Fullager) 3 3 5
Hyper, 6-5-2; Friar Tuck, 5-6-6; Virginia Brooks, dis.
Time—2:14¼, 2:15¼, 2:15.

2:08 pace, purse $500:
Grand Opera, b h by Claus Forrester....(Neville) 1 1 1
Jack Johnson, bl h by The Earl.....(Fleming) 2 2 2
Little Alfred, br g by Red Elk.....(Noble) 3 3 3
Baronwood, dis.
Time—2:19, 2:10½, 2:10¾.

2:20 trot, purse $500:
Edward Gray, b h by Tregantle (Whitehead) 1 1 3 4 1
Kate, ch m by Green Seal.....(Milloy) 2 5 1 2 2
Ginger Boy, b g by Andrew Russell.....
.....(Garrison) 3 2 2 1 4
Lena Moko, b m by Colonel Cochran (Tandy)5 3 4 3 3
Hugh Miller, 4-4-5-5-dr.
Time—2:13¾, 2:13¼, 2:18¼, 2:17¼, 2:17¼.

To beat 2:30¼, trotting, purse ——:
Betty Barry, b f (2) by Marble Grit....(Goddard) 2:26¼
Levina E., b m by Peter Wilton.....(James) 2:28¼

Round and About

Single G. 2:03¾,
Russell Boy 2:03¾,
Hal S. 2:04¾,
Queen Abbess 2:06½,
Volga (2) 2:13¼,
Lee Axworthy (4) 2:05¼,
Were all the results of the first day of the Grand Circuit at North Randall.

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The Canadians are racing this week at Brandon, the storm center then shifting to Regina.

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And once more we recommend to your consideration those purses at Vancouver, B. C., and Spokane, Wash., for which entries close on August first. Do not overlook them.

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Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼ gets two brand new trotters, both two-year-olds, through the meeting at Hemet last Saturday. Of course the babies are futurity candidates.

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Tommy Murphy's entries scared away a lot of folks from the opening of the Michigan Short Ship at Detroit—and then Tommy failed to appear! The Detroit folks lost both ways from the jack.

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Fiesta Lou, the first performer to be credited to Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼, reduced her yearling record of 2:25 last Saturday to a two-year-old mark of 2:22½ in a race over the two-lap track at the farm.

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Moody Leggett of Hanford, who suffered a broken leg some weeks ago at the opening meeting of the Canadian circuit, was back in the sulky at Calgary and was in the money with both Molly and Soumise.

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Mantua Maker, the twenty-four-year old daughter of Red Wilkes, recently dropped her nineteenth foal, a filly by Gen. Watts, and will be bred back to that son of Axworthy. Nine of her produce are in the list, one is a sire, and two are producing dams.

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Both Hanford and Fresno have announced definitely that they will have no horse racing this season, the former not having a fair of any description. A little slow music will be about right—not the shivery, Eliza-crossing-the-ice kind, but some real, plain, old wail, like "Massa's in de col', col' groun'."

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Dean Swift 2:08, one of the best winners of the season of 1914 on the northwestern circuit in Lon Daniels' hands, has so far failed to get the brackets this year for Harvey Skaggs and George Haag. According to the Albertan's reports of the Calgary meeting he is inclined to fade in the stretch.

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"What sort of odds can you get on pari-mutuel betting?" queries a correspondent. Sometimes you get plenty, as exemplified by the Reno machines, paying 35 to 1 for one event recently, and almost 85 to 1 on Tom Chapman's win. It all depends on the patronage.

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I. L. Borden boarded an overland flyer on Thursday morning of last week to take an eastern trip that was to combine business and pleasure. He planned going to New York by way of Cleveland, where he expected to see his horses, and may drop in at Detroit long enough to witness the racing of the M. & M., in which either Albaloma or Baby Doll will probably be a starter.

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Scarlet Oaks, carrying the colors of George Wingfield's Nevada Stock Farm at Reno, won the feature event of the opening day at Reno, since when other members of the same stable have also made good by showing their fields which way the track runs. The horses of Charley Clark's stable arrived from Latonia a few days ago and will participate in the racing until time to come to the exposition for the meeting to be given by the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association, of which Mr. Clark is president.

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Horsemen throughout the west will regret to learn that on Wednesday of last week "White Hat" McCarty, one of the most famous of the older generation of horsemen of the "picturesque" school, was sent to the detention hospital after having been found on the street in a condition of mental derangement, diagnosed as the result of acute alcoholism. Only a few days before, Dan had taken his daughter to the same institution to be put under observation for symptoms of insanity, later reports tending to confirm her father's action.

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Alhambra Prince, the trotting show stallion owned by Charles W. Winter of Alhambra, has again been returned a winner since his picture adorned our front cover a few weeks ago, being awarded first prize in Class F of the Elks' flower parade at Los Angeles on July 14. The wheels and gear of the buggy were decorated with mountain ferns dotted with pink oleander blossoms, the body a solid mass of pink oleander, while the Prince carried the Elk colors in foretop, tail and on his right front leg. Mr. Winter is a good decorator and the Prince is a great young show horse, so the combination is a happy one.

Detroit next week—and the M. & M.

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The appropriation for the Arizona State Fair for 1915-1916 was cut down by the legislature, but there are still some fourteen thousand dollars available for this year's harness races, the program for which will soon be announced. They still plan to get the horsemen on the back trail from the exposition, and are laying all arrangements with that end in view.

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And now comes one Kinney de Lopez 2:23 seeking and obtaining admission into the ranks of trotting sires. His first performer is Don de Lopez (2) 2:25, dam Eradiate by Geo. W. McKinney, the record having been made in the second heat of the 2:30 trot at the neighborhood meeting at Hemet last Saturday. There will be plenty more to follow, and now the question is, which of the Hemet two-year-olds would win a race limited to them only, a "Kinney" or a "Wilbur"? Both brands seem to have quite a bit of lick at the trot.

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An eastern contemp. recently evolved the following: "The Beaver, favorably mentioned for the Chamber of Commerce stake, is a very fast pacer, but when he acts up he has a few stunts that even Columbia Fire forgot in his palmiest days." Either this is "old stuff" that The Beaver has long ago forgotten, or else the eastern scribe has him mixed up with Max Rochon's other son of Searchlight, The Badger, who, when "in the vein," can make Al Jolson's rapid fire changes seem like one continuous dirge.

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They may call him "Uncle Mike," or "Daddy Mike," or any other old name if they will, but Mike Bowerman is one of the youngest "boys" now training at Lexington, Ky., judging from the way his two and three-year-old trotters are stepping for him. He holds the 1915 record for two-year-olds there with Hermione B. 2:18, and has stepped his three-year-old trotting filly, Golden Axworthy, in 2:13½, last quarter in 31¾ seconds. Both youngsters are by the rising young sire, Morgan Axworthy 2:17, son of Axworthy 2:15½ and Kinglyne, sister to Bingen 2:06¼.—Horse Journal.

HEMET, CALIFORNIA.

Hemet, Cal., Saturday, July 17—The "breeders meeting" staged this afternoon at the track at Hemet Stock Farm by the Hemet Driving Club attracted a nice crowd of home-folks who are always interested in seeing the home grown horses perform, the various events serving as a portion of the education of the futurity candidates bred and owned by Hemet Stock Farm. When Messrs. Doble and Blackwell went north early in the spring to take part in the exposition races, in which the Farm's entries annexed the larger portion of the money hung up for three-year-olds, Frank Rees remained at home with the babies, the progress made by them under his tutelage being amply manifested by today's performances.

Goldsmith Lou (2), by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼—Little Louise A. 2:17 by Boodle 2:12½, starting to beat 2:30¼ trotting, went the route in 2:29, while Billy Boyd (2) by Wilbur Lou—Lady Zombro 2:24¼ by Zombro negotiated his mile in an even 2:30. Goldsmith Lou is the first of the get of Wilbur Lou bred by the farm and is one of Mr. Doble's especial favorites. Another Wilbur Lou two-year-old, Fiesta Lou, was a heat winner in the 2:18 pace, acquiring a new record of 2:22½, while Don de Lopez (2) by Kinney de Lopez 2:23 won the second heat of the 2:30 trot in 2:25. The Don is the first performer for his sire, one of the purest gaited trotters on the coast and a very fast but always unlucky horse. H. G. Stanley got the fields away in nice shape, the day's details being as follows:

Hemet, Cal., July 17, 1915.

To beat 2:30¼ trotting:
Goldsmith Lou (2) ch f by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼—Little Louise A. 2:17 by Boodle 2:12½ 2:29
Billy Boyd (2) ch c by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼—Lady Zombro 2:24¼ by Zombro 2:11 ..... 2:30
2:18 pace, purse $50:
Walter C., b g by Carpus .....(Schumacher) 2 1 2 1
Nealon, b g by Worthwhile .....(Kribbs) 3 2 1 2
Fiesta Lou (2) b f by Wilbur Lou .....(Rees) 1 3 dr
Time—2:22½, 2:23½, 2:18¾, 2:18½.

2:30 trot, purse $50:
Pico Boy, br h by Zombro .....(Lamkin) 1 2 1
Don de Lopez (2) bl c by Kinney de Lopez (Rees) 2 1 2
Time—2:35, 2:25, 2:34.

LIBERTYVILLE, ILL., RECORD MEETING.

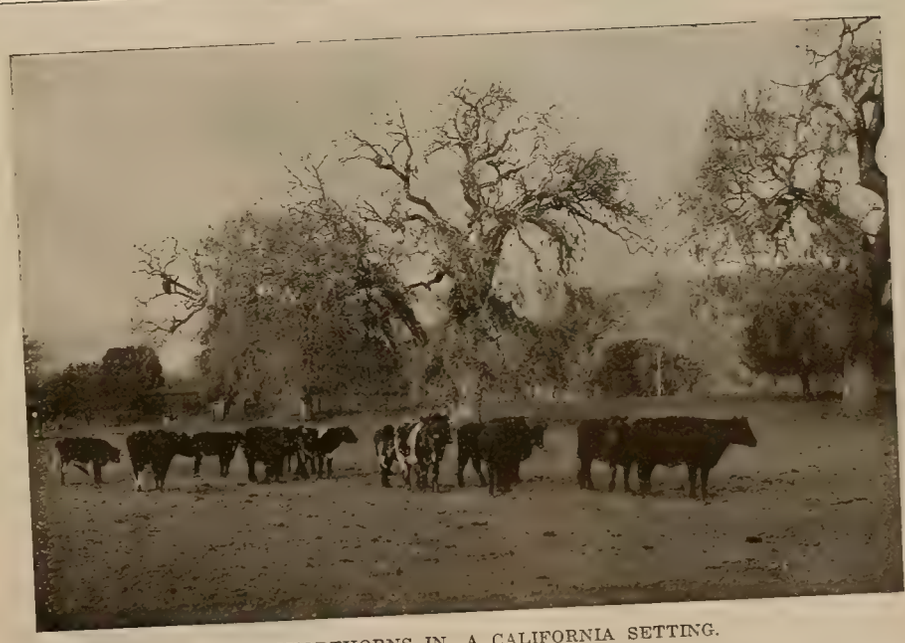
July 7—To beat 2:30¼ trotting, purse $——.
Alice Mac, br f (2) by Azoff—Alice W. B., by Simmons .....(McMahan) 2:19½
Sis Bing, b f (2) by Bingen—Sister Alice 2:10½ by Baron Wilkes ..... (McMahan) 2:18
Peter Bing, b c (2) by Peter the Great—Bodena by Bingen ..... (McMahan) 2:29
Azie Hall, br f (2) by Azoff—Linka Hall by Walnut Hall ..... (McMahan) 2:27
Janos, b c (3) by Azoff—Rena Prodigal 2:29½ by Prodigal ..... (McMahan) 2:23¾
Doris D., b f (3) by Azoff, dam by Grattan.... (McMahan) 2:27
Forest W., b f (3) by Silent Brook—Marietta Simmons by Merion..... (McMahan) 2:21
Vesta Worthy, ch f (3) by Axworthy; dam by Bingen ..... (Gerrety) 2:20
Grace Dawn, b f (3) by Wotan—Helen Grace 2:11¾, by Blue Dawn.....(Gerrety) 2:28
Jean Wotan, b f (2) by Wotan—Ella Moko, by Moko ..... (Gerrety) 2:25
David Bingen, br c (2) by Bingen—Recoleta, by Arion ..... (Gerrety) 2:28
Meollie, b f (4) by Cupbearer—Dixie Jean, by Red Medium ..... (Hall) 2:16
Helen Hollyday, b f (3) by Cupbearer—Dixie Jean, by Red Medium .....(Hall) 2:25½
Miss King, b f (4) by Emmett Grattan—Baby C. ..... (Putnam) 2:27
Champ Custer, b g (3) by Ed Custer—Cactus 2:25¼, by Belay.....(Putnam) 2:15¾
Constantine, b c (3) by Azoff—Cyncie, by Nutwood ..... (Putnam) 2:26½

To beat 2:25¼, pacing, purse $——.
Pat Worthy, b c by Axworthy—Alice W. B., by Simmons ..... (McMahan) 2:13¾
Sheriff Peter, b c by Peter the Great ..... (McMahan) 2:24½
Leona Forest, b m by Prodigal..... (McMahan) 2:18¾

To beat 2:27, trotting, purse $——.
McMahan, br g by Silver Wings—Jetta, by Dupuytren ..... (McMahan) 2:16½
Thrill Worthy, b f (4) by Axworthy—Thrill, by McKinney ..... (Gerrety) 2:14¼

To beat 2:20, pacing, purse $——.
Azo T., b c (4) by Axoff—Mrs. Young, by Wilkes Boy ..... (McMahan) 2:18¼

To beat 2:12, pacing, purse $——.
Princess Patchen, ch f (4) by Porto Rico, Jr.—Lady F. Smith, by Bourbon Patchen (McMahan) 2:11½



DAIRY SHORTHORNS IN A CALIFORNIA SETTING.

It is almost sixty years since the first purebred Shorthorn cattle were introduced into California by the late Wm. D. M. Howard, and in the time that has intervened the breed has established itself in a most substantial way in the Golden State. Primarily a beef animal, the milking strains have been developed in certain branches of the family until in that line they have attained a high plane of usefulness in the dairy, and represent about the very best type of the dual purpose cow. Dairy Shorthorns have set some wonderful records for milk and butterfat production, and there is almost no resemblance between the beef from the dairy Shorthorn and from the various breeds that for generations have been bred solely with milk production as the end in view. They are good dispositioned cattle, "good doers" either on pasture or in the feed lot, and are an "all 'round" kind that pay a good profit steadily.

Importance of State and County Fairs

(BY HAWLEY, IN THE HORSE BREEDER.)

Nothing has done more to maintain the interest in the light harness horse than the custom that has prevailed in this country for many years of holding state and county fairs where trotting meetings are given. The American trotter is in a sense a national institution, is admired not only by the students of breeding and the enthusiastic followers of the Grand Circuit, but the races in which he takes part form a national sport for the country people. In large cities, where trotting meetings are given on an elaborate scale and where the best horses in training are to be seen, there is found an entirely different element from that which gathers at the various fairs held in the autumn. In the cities many other forms of amusement are to be had, and the trotting meetings, which last throughout the week, attract many men and women who take only a casual interest in the sport, and who look upon is as one of the numerous pastimes which they can enjoy.

The fairs, including, as they do, the agricultural exhibits and live stock shows, draw from the rural districts, in which live the yeomanry. The farmers and stock growers with their families look upon a fair as their yearly holiday, and, no matter how strong is the attraction in the form of other exhibitions, the trotting and pacing races form the main feature. The contests for supremacy enthuse the country people to a pitch of excitement because, throughout the year, other forms of pastime are lacking. The sports, such as baseball, golf, tennis, shooting and riding, are enjoyed by a comparatively small percentage of the people living in the rural districts, and these have come to look upon the harness racing which is furnished by the fairs as something that belongs to them, that is, in fact, their chief excitement and their greatest pleasure.

The great fairs, such as those given at Brockton, Mass., Springfield, Ill., Minneapolis, Minn., Milwaukee, Wis., Hartford, Conn., Allentown, Pa., have a daily attendance ranging from 25,000 to 50,000 people, and on special days, on which there are attractions in the form of exhibition miles by famous trotters and pacers, and contests between fields of fast horses, the number is increased two-fold. Here is where the light harness horse is best appreciated, for here he presents a spectacle that can be furnished to the country people in no other manner. He arouses greater enthusiasm, even though he may be far inferior to the champion which is found in the Grand Circuit, for the reason that he does not have to compete with other attractions so numerous in the more thickly settled communities and larger cities. At state and county fairs the trotter reigns supreme, and his appearance is looked forward to from one year to another with greater interest than is found among the pleasure seekers who have so much else to interest them.

The average attendance at a Grand Circuit meeting if put at 5,000 means that approximately 200,000 people witness harness racing as given by the chain of meetings beginning at Cleveland and ending at Lexington. Many of these take but an indifferent interest in what is going on before them, a few are drawn to the trotting courses by the opportunities furnished to back their judgment, others go because of the social side of racing, and a few because of their interest in breeding and their familiarity with the horses, owners and drivers. On the other hand, the state and county fairs, which are given each year in almost every state of the Union, attract as many millions, and, while only a comparatively few of the visitors are students of breeding and racing, they are the real enthusiasts whose support has made harness racing the national pastime. At these fairs, not only is the trotter seen in active contests, but is on exhibition in the various rings for stallions, broodmares and foals. The enormous crowds that congregate on the fair grounds are interested in the show rings, are enthused by the trotting and pacing races, and, in this manner, the light harness horse occupies a place in their affections which is rarely gained by a Grand Circuit performer.

The average Vermonter does not know Uhlan by his record of 1:58, made at Lexington, but by his wonderful mile made over the track at White River Junction. The millions of people who have seen Dan Patch 1:55¼, do not think of him solely because he paced the fastest mile ever made by a harness horse, but because they have seen him at many state fairs in his great struggles against time. They have been brought in close touch with him, and, whether or not he succeeded in accomplishing the task put before him, he lives in their memory not as a Grand Circuit performer, but as the star attraction at one fair or another at which the visitors are largely from the rural districts. The country people who have no opportunity of seeing such races as The Transylvania, The Merchants and Manufacturers Stake, the futurities, or any other of the classic events, are familiar with the winners, the champions of their day, through the columns of the press or by hearsay. It is the winner who performs in their own locality, the trotter or pacer who is victorious at their own state or county fair that is given their allegiance. If their interest in harness racing and in the wonderful record-breaking performances were confined solely to what is written, they would soon forget the existence of even the star performers.

The races scheduled at state and county fairs create an interest that leads many men into breeding ventures, into the ownership of a colt or filly which may develop into something worthy of being trained and started near the home of the owner. A vast majority of the trotters and pacers in training are produced by small breeders, by the farmers who own but one or two mares. These men, as a rule, have been taught to admire the light harness horse by seeing him in his struggles for supremacy in races given at the local fairs. This interest has been increased by continued attendance at these autumn meetings, and sometimes has led to extended enterprises, larger studs, and greater expenditures. It is probably true that ninety per cent of the owners of all the trotters in training today live either in the country or in small towns, and, while a few of these, and necessarily a very few, engage their horses in the most important events of the Grand Circuit, the great majority find their chief interest in racing at the fairs held in the communities in which they live.

While the importance of the Grand Circuit cannot be overestimated, and while the market for the best horses in training is regulated by success or failure in the important events, the breeding industry is supported by the farmers, or by those who live in the smaller towns. The buyers of high priced breeding stock or of first-class racing material doubtless come from the cities where is found the greatest wealth, yet the producers of the major portion of our light harness horses are not the owners of great breeding establishments, no matter how extensive may be their operations, the men engaged in agricultural pursuits, raisers of live stock, citizens of smaller towns being the real supporters of the industry. There are, perhaps, a dozen large breeding establishments in the United States, the output of which would amount to 600 foals, yet the many thousands of trotting-bred colts and fillies produced yearly are furnished by the small breeders, and these invariably live in the rural districts.

The degree of interest taken in harness racing, as between state and county fairs and Grand Circuit meetings, is shown by the amount of enthusiasm at the former and the lack of it at the latter. When Uhlan trotted in 1:58 at Lexington, there was a murmur of applause, yet, had the same effort been made at one of the great state fairs and before the enormous crowds which gather on such occasions, there would have been heard a shout, a roar of enthusiastic approval and acclaim that would have shaken the stand from foundation to roof. Desperate finishes between champions at Grand Circuit meetings occasionally create mild enthusiasm, yet nothing like the frenzy, the tremendous outburst that greets a victor when he passes under the wire before the thousands of country people who are the spectators at one of the great state fairs.

The sport of racing the light harness horse does not hold first place in the affections of the inhabitants of large cities, yet he is the idol of the countrymen. A visitor to a fair such as is given at Brockton, Mass., would be impressed with the interest that is taken by the occupants of the stand, a majority of whom know little about the contestants other than their names. He will find in any of the agricultural districts in the west a greater enthusiasm, a more spontaneous outburst over a contest which is close than at any meeting in the Grand Circuit, and it is this enthusiasm, this keen delight in the sport of racing that has resulted in the maintenance of the breeding industry the past half century. The student of breeding, the sportsman who is familiar with record-breaking performances, the battles for supremacy in the so-called classic events has become accustomed to the appearance of champions, and he takes even the most extraordinary achievement as a matter of course. On the other hand, the man who lives on the farm or in a small town has not become satiated through his familiarity with the trotter when seen at his best, and is more quickly aroused, more easily thrilled, and gives vent to his enthusiasm on the slightest occasion.

Of the many thousands of trotters foaled each year only a few are furnished a field of usefulness by the great trotting meetings of the year, and the others, and these are in the vast majority, make up the list of performers at the smaller meetings or those given in conjunction with the annual fall fairs. Racing the light harness horse is an American institution, and appeals to the American citizen as such, yet it should be remembered that the American citizen does not always live in the great cities of this country, but in the rural districts, in the farming sections and in the smaller towns. The admirers of the light harness horse are found by thousands in the cities in which Grand Circuit meetings are held, while hundreds of thousands of the lovers of light harness racing live in the country, and it is to these that the state and county fairs appeal.

If the practice of holding fairs, both state and county, should for any reason be abolished, or if light harness racing should no longer be a feature of these institutions, there would be little left except the Grand Circuit, the Great Western Circuit, and the few other chains of meetings in the various sections of the United States. The result of this would be that comparatively few of the trotters and pacers trained each year would find a field of usefulness, and the market values would shrink to such an extent that the breeding industry would practically be destroyed. The output of the more extensive breeding establishments is bought with a view of racing in the richest and most important events, yet a very small per cent is found capable of competing for these prizes, and the balance is campaigned over half-mile tracks, many of which are controlled by fair associations. At any state or county fair where harness races are given, the entrance fees can be made smaller than where racing is given alone. A great state fair which draws tens of thousands each day is not dependent solely on the entrance fees to make up the purses, and it is becaus of this that, in the near future, much of the best racing will be found at the agricultural expositions given by fair associations.

The popularity of the trotter is not found so much in fashionable circles, in communities in which every conceivable form of pastime abounds, but it exists in the farming sections, in the country, in small communities. It is not the rich men of this country who support racing, although this is the case to a certain extent in Grand Circuit affairs. It is the small breeder, the farmer, the townsman, the tiller of the soil, the stock raiser, the merchant in the village. Fairs are not supported by the inhabitants of large cities, and, with few exceptions, do not appeal to the man in the metropolis; but they are the mainstay of the industry of breeding the light harness horse, sheep, cattle, swine, as well as the agricultural products of the farm. Agriculture and stock raising are the pursuits of millions, and the fair is the meeting place, where these wares are exhibited.

CANADIAN INVADERS MAKE SAFE RETREAT.

Winnipeg, June 28.—Mac Rochon and Joe Carson returned to Winnipeg today from the June meet of the Panama-Pacific Exposition and on hearing of their arrival I looked them up. When they are in Winnipeg they are never hard to find in the daytime and when I entered the Leland they were racing it all over again before an interested bunch of spectators, who by financial depression and domestic responsibility had been forced to stay on this side of the international boundary.

To have a reserved seat in the front row of the grand stand at Frisco and witness the big stake races, is all that exceeds one of Joe Carson's descriptions of a good horse race.

It was well on in the afternoon when I joined the group and the liquidating department had ceased dispensing operations several hours before there was an adjournment. "They knew the Canadians were there all the time," said Joe as he wound up for the night, "and we got a piece of money every time we started. My horses," he said, "are headed for the Great Western and will start at Davenport the last week in July. In the meantime they will make a few starts through Nebraska and I'll join them when they hit the middle west. The time intervening gives me a chance to spend a few days at home," said the genial Joe, "and then you know I wanted to see that Mac got back safe. I am glad to see you are going to have a good meet here in connection with the big patriotic week," he remarked, as he climbed into Grand Opera, the big automobile he bought after the memorable meeting of College Gent and the crack eastern pacer at Brandon two years ago, "and I'll stick around and give the boys a chance to speculate."

The Beaver, Mac Rochon's pacer, started in three events at the big fair. He won one, was second in another and got fourth money in the big $20,000 pace. "I am well satisfied with the results which would have been better had we not played in such hard luck in drawing positions, for our horses were good and we were in the game all the time. I am sending The Beaver, Senaca Boy and Alberta Dillon over the Grand Circuit and if we have no hard luck we'll go back and take another crack at them in the fall."

Mac says California is all right, only for the climate. "We had to wear our overcoats most of the time. It's a hard track on horses," said the genial proprietor of the Leland, as he continued, "the big winds off the bay removing all the top dressing every day and keeping it very hard. We came through all right, though, for we shipped good, sound ones and they are all in good shape for the big campaign before them.—R. S. H., in the Canadian Sportsman.

On the last day of the meeting at Calgary the five-year-old pacing mare Betsy Hal by Hal D., driven by W. R. McGirr, dropped dead a few yards after passing the wire in the second heat of the 2:30 pace or 2:25 trot. She was owned by Hector Noel of Gravellburg, who paid a thousand dollars for her when she was a three-year-old, and was valued higher at present. She had worked in 2:15 over a northern two-lap track and Canadian papers credit her with a record of 2:22¼, presumably acquired this season, as she doesn't show this way to the close of 1914.

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DOG BREAKING AND PSYCHOLOGY.

At first sight dog-breaking and psychology appear as far as the poles asunder, and it is only when the fact is recognized that one branch of it—called sometimes "animal," sometimes "comparative psychology" deals with the characteristics and processes of the animal mind that the connection becomes clearer. If it is of value to the golfer or lawn tennis player to have some knowledge of the laws of nature as affecting his inanimate ball, it is of far more importance for the breaker to look into the laws which take cognizance of the nature of the dog's mind and the way he learns; in the one case the data are constant and precise, in the other it is a living entity that must be dealt with and the breaker must adapt his methods to meet the infinite variations in things that live. Unless he appreciates the general law, he cannot hope to contend successfully with each variation as it presents itself to him.

Prodigies such as calculating boys, or—according to Maeterlinck—the Elberfeld horses, add, multiply, and even abstract cube roots without an adequate knowledge of arithmetic; so consistently successful breakers—and they are few and far between—achieve success without even a bowing acquaintance with psychology. This is not because their methods are not in consonance with its conclusions, but because by their intuition—their "dog-sense"—aided by their experience, they apprehend and apply them.

A would-be breaker devoid of "dog-sense" starts on his first gundog; he knows what a dog of the breed should do, but that is all; no book on the subject or friendly advice is available to give him the benefit of the experience he needs. In order to attain the desired end he tries now this method, now that. He abandons those methods that he finds are not successful, and persists in and elaborates those that are. He proceeds purely on a system of hit or miss—if it can be called a system; his powers of reasoning are of no avail—he is not in possession of any data from which to draw an inference; after many misses he at last hits on a method that succeeds: he knows not the why or wherefore of his success—all he knows is that this particular method has achieved it; he is unable to appreciate the underlying principles which guided him to success; he is solely in the concrete and the particular. This method meant to him success; this is all he knows. The unsuccessful methods are abandoned because they did not result in or mean success; this abandonment is not dictated by his reason any more than it is his reason which prevents him putting his hand in the fire or drawing a razor across his finger; these acts mean to him burns or pain, so he forbears from them. They are all alike, "little bits of experience," and nothing more.

Just as the novice breaker learned to break the dog, so does the dog learn. Reason—in the sense of "explaining his own acts and the causes of phenomena"—does not enter into the education of the dog whether he teaches himself or is taught by man. The actions that are followed by discomfort get stamped out, and those that are followed by satisfaction get stamped in; the result is the cumulative effect of "little bits of experience" and the consequent formation of a habit—nothing more.

Follow the dog-breaker in his further attempts with other dogs. Having found one method successful with his first dog, he seeks to apply the same method with his second and subsequent ones. Each dog he expects to be something like the former ones; he approaches the new expecting it to be like the old; he begins to generalize, to put his particular experiences side by side and extract a principle—a principle, too, that he may adapt to any variations from the type that may present themselves in future; if by chance he discovers that the principle does not act as his former experience has led him to anticipate, he seeks the why and wherefore of his non-success, and if necessary modifies his principle so as to fit it in not only with his new but also with his previous experience. He passes from the concrete and particular to the abstract and general.

It is when we come to this power of generalization, of formulating a general principle, of seeking and appreciating causes that the breaker's processes part company with those of his dog. Many are the recorded instances of dogs learning to open doors. Professor Lloyd Morgan, in "Animal Behaviour," mentions the case of a dog of his own; in none of them is there any evidence that the dog knew why the placing of his paw or head in contact with the latch resulted in the opening of the door; to each dog the particular action that led to the opening of the particular door was no more than a "little bit of experience"; having learned to perform it, he was no nearer knowing how to open a door with another form of latch or probably even another door elsewhere with a similar latch; he had no conception that the latch was connected with the opening of the door or that raising or depressing it meant getting in or out; it was his own act alone that had that meaning. Psychology, then, teaches the dog breaker that it is useless to assume that there is a "why," "wherefore," or "because" in the canine mind; that the only successful method of tuition is to see that the actions he desires to stamp out are connected with discomfort and those he would encourage with satisfaction to his pupil; that such connection can only be established by the closeness in point of time with which the discomfort or satisfaction follows the act, and that if not frequently repeated is soon lost or never really formed; in other words, that unless these conditions obtain he can never rely upon his dog knowing what it is that he is being punished for or for which he is rewarded. Psychology does not pretend to teach the breaker of what that discomfort or satisfaction should consist; although this is left to him, his ultimate aim should undoubtedly be to eliminate all elements other than the effect on his dog's mind of his own approval or disapprobation expressed in no more forcible manner than hard words. It does not, moreover, pretend to teach the breaker whether he should rely more on stamping out or stamping in, but there can be little doubt that a breaker who unduly relies on punishment for stamping out can never hope that his approval will be summum bonum to his dog.

And is there nothing that psychology can learn from dog-breakers? Most psychologists look askance at anecdote; they accuse its purveyors of starting with the assumption that their dogs are possessed of human—even superhuman—wisdom, and trying to prove their case by recording every act of cleverness and suppressing every stupid one; they liken the anecdotist to the scientist who sets forth to prove microbes very small and very close together, or the stars very large and very far apart; in consequence they insist on test conditions. That dog-breakers may be free from their ban is shown by the following passage from "Animal Behaviour": "The skilful trainer utilizes the natural instinctive tendencies as a basis; and by a system of rewards and punishments, leads the intelligent"—meaning thereby the hit or miss as opposed to the rational—"modifications of behavior along lines directed by his deliberate purpose. The conditions are largely those of experiment, and they bring out the play and range of intelligence"—meaning as above—"in a way that would otherwise elude our observations."

Psychologists are not in agreement on imitation—perchance the breaker might have something to say on natural "backing"; they assert that a dog can not be taught anything by being put through the performance—what about "dropping," and perhaps some systems of teaching retrieving and a correct delivery? They are, moreover, skeptical as to the ability of the handler to control his dog without words or signal—merely by his will power, animal magnetism, rapport, thought transference, whichever you will: on this there are few successful handlers that would not have strong views.

Comparative psychologists are no mere idle inquirers; their researches into the animal mind are directed to the elucidation of the evolution of the human mind from instinct, through "intelligence" to reason—a course which they aver the mind of each individual human being runs between the cradle and the grave. What is the connecting link between "intelligence" and reason? What is the boundary line between the two? Is it possible now or in the future for any animal but man to pass it?

Each breaker who pursues his hobby or his calling with a seeing eye can, out of his experience, contribute his mite to the solution of the mystery.

LIABILITY OF EXPRESS COMPANIES.

That express companies are liable for damages when they unnecessarily delay dogs in shipment is an established fact, though it is not generally known to the members of the dog fancy. A case of damages for delay in transit was compromised in Decatur, Ill., in which a certain express company paid $100 damages because they failed to deliver a certain dog to a dog show on schedule time. It being claimed by the owner of the dog that his dog was seen by the judge of the show and that the judge said the dog would have won first had it reached the show in time. That same fancier received $50 damages from the same express company because a puppy had contracted a cold while en route to a dog show and the cold developed into a case of pneumonia resulting in the puppy's death. The case is of special interest to dog fanciers because so many express companies try to convince shippers that an express company assumes no responsibility for loss of prospective profits—as was the case of the dog consigned to the show.

The report in a New York paper that there was to be a terrier show at George S. Thomas' place, Hamilton, Mass., was somewhat premature it seems. In fact, Mr. Thomas is said to know little about the affair.

NEW GAME AND FISH LAWS.

California game and fish laws received numerous amendments at the hands of the last Legislature. Changes in the open and closed seasons, and several additional prohibitions constitute the main features of the new law which will take effect August 8. Meanwhile the old fish and game laws are still in force, except where the seasons have been pruned by county officials.

Of first importance is the new district act, which divides the State into twenty-nine districts, where there were but six before. For all practical purposes, however, sportsmen are concerned principally with but four districts and what controls therein. The Ellery Arms Company has anticipated the State officials by issuing a chart of general fish and game information, a summary of which follows, and will no doubt be of interest to sportsmen at large.

The changes in the deer hunting laws are worthy of more than passing attention. The killing of spike bucks as well as does and fawns is prohibited throughout the whole State. Further, deer hunters must retain the skin and portion of the head bearing the horns of any buck and for ten days after the close of the season. This part of the animal must be produced upon demand of any fish and game deputy under penalty of a misdemeanor.

Under the new law, which goes into effect August 8, the open seasons for bucks are: Districts 1 and 23 (the latter embraces parts of Sierra, Placer, El Dorado and Nevada counties), the open season runs from August 15 to October 15. In Districts 2 and 3 (the coast, Sacramento and San Joaquin valley counties from Mendocino to Santa Barbara), open season starts August 1 and ends September 15, six weeks instead of two months, as formerly. In District 4 the season is open during the month of September only. It is also illegal to sell deer meat, and two bucks per season is the individual limit. To kill an elk is a felony punishable by two years' imprisonment. Antelope, mountain sheep, beaver and sea otters are on the protected list and may not be hunted.

The season on doves has been changed; hereafter the open season throughout the State is three months, from September 1 to December 1. The limit will be 15 instead of 20 per day.

The season on valley and desert quail in all districts opens as formerly, on October 15, but closes December 31 instead of February 15. The limit bag has been reduced from 20 to 15 per day and from 40 to 30 per week.

In connection with this, and for claimed quail protective reasons, the open season on cottontail and brush rabbits has been set ahead from August 1 to October 15, running the same period as the quail season does. The limit is now fifteen per day, or thirty during one week.

The new laws affecting water fowl in general make the State game seasons conform with the federal seasons. Thus, the open season for all water fowl permitted to be killed, such as ducks, geese, snipe, brant, mudhens, etc., now will run from October 15 only to January 1, instead of March 1, as formerly.

Heretofore there has been no closed season nor limit for geese. The open season now provided will be from October 15 to January 31, and the limit bag will be twenty-five per day and not over fifty a week, which limit also applies to ducks, excepting wood-ducks, which are protected until 1918.

The limit on English snipe, black-breasted and golden plovers and yellowlegs will be fifteen a day and only thirty a week. Curlew and all other shore birds are protected by federal statute.

Sage hens can be shot from September 1 to December 1 in all districts, the limit being four a day and eight birds only a week. Mountain quail and grouse, in the Sierra country districts 1 and and 23, can be shot from September 1 to December 1. Limit, ten mountain quail a day, or twenty per week, grouse, four a day or eight a week.

Tree squirrels can be shot in any game district from September 1 to January 1. The limit is twelve squirrels only in one season.

The rod and reel fishermen can get plenty of fish for himself and friends, but he is barred from selling his finny prizes unless he obtains a commercial fishing license.

The season for hook and line fishing of striped bass is open all the year round. The sale limit weight is not under three pounds, but any rod fisherman may retain five bass under that weight caught in one day. The limit daily catch between September 25 and November 14 is five.

Salmon can be taken by hook and line or with a spear all the year round in every water of the State except from September 25 to November 14, when the daily limit is three fish.

Sacramento perch, sunfish and crappie may be taken with hook and line in catches of twenty-five a day between May 1 and November 31, wherever they may be found.

The embargo has been taken off catfish.

Black bass open season in districts 1, 2 and 12 runs from May 1 to November 31. District 12 embraces north San Francisco bay, the San Joaquin river and the Sacramento river as far north as Cosumnes. In Districts 3 and 4 the open season begins March 1 and closes December 1. The daily limit is twenty-five, to be taken with hook and line only; sale is prohibited, and the size limit is nothing under seven inches in length.

For the protection of the black spotted trout at spawning time District 23 has been created of Lake

Tahoe and the Truckee river drainage basin, in which the open season for all trout has been set forward to run from June 1 to October 31. In all of the other districts of the State the open season for trout is from May 1 to November 30. The daily basket limit is fifty fish or ten pounds and one fish. In District 2, from December 15 to February 4 (in coast streams), the daily limit is cut down to two trout a day. Golden trout can be caught during August and September, twenty per day, none less than five inches long.

At the Traps

Pacific Coast Trapshooting Tournament—A special report from San Diego states:

"The tournament was originally scheduled to be held on July 5, 6 and 7, as these dates fitted in nicely with two other tournaments on the Pacific Slope. The dates were changed at the request of the Pastime Gun Club, the request being made by said club on the strength of a telegram received by it from Dayton, Ohio, stating that fifty shooters in a special train would arrive in San Diego on the morning of July 7, and asking that the dates of the tournament be changed accordingly. Contrary to the advice of The Interstate Association to investigate the situation closely before making any change, the club requested that the dates be made July 8, 9 and 10, and the Association acquiesced. Much to the disappointment of the officers and members of the club, not one eastern amateur put in an appearance, and as at least three California men were kept from participating in the tournament by reason of the dates being changed, the local management were somewhat outspoken in their denunciation of those responsible for the situation. The San Diego Union, the local morning paper, referred to the matter in a decidedly uncomplimentary manner, and the 'fifty shooters from the East' came in for sarcastic comment on numerous occasions during the progress of the tournament."

The balance of the report is substantially the same as appeared in last week's issue.

The purse distributions were the following:

Pacific Coast Handicap Purse—54 entries at $8, $432.00; 3 penalty entries at $12, $36.00; 21 entries for targets only. 78 total entries, $468.00; added to the purse, $200.00; total purse, $668.00.

Winners: H. Pfirrmann 98, $133.60; J. F. Couts 98, $106.90; A. Ervast 98, $86.85; H. M. Williams 98, $86.80; W. H. Rodden 97, $60.10; H. B. Havens 96, $46.75; J. F. Dodds 95, $30.70; H. P. DeMund 95, $30.70; S. A. Bruner 95, $30.70; R. N. Fuller 95, $30.70; D. Holohan 95, $30.70; S. R. Smith 94, $2.65; L. M. Packard 94, $2.65; R. P. De Mund 94, $2.65; Toney Prior 94, $2.65; H. Ogilvie 94, $2.65.

Preliminary Handicap Purse.—62 entries at $5, $310.00; 2 penalty entries at $7, $14.00; 2 penalty entries for "targets only," $4.00; 15 entries for "targets only," 82 total entries, $328.00; added to the purse, $100.00; total purse, $428.00.

Winners: C. Julian 98, $77.05; W. G. Warren 97, $64.20; E. M. Barber 97, $51:35; A. Julian 95, $37.10; R. N. Fuller 95, $37.10; R. H. Bungay 95, $37.10; H. B. Havens 94, $19.65; W. S. Peace 94, $16.95; H. Ogilvie 94, $16.95; W. G. Harris 94, $16.95; A. G. Wilkes 94, $16.95; W. B. Twitchell 93, $6.40; H. M. Williams 93, $6.40; T. Wilkes 93, $6.40; R. H. Bixby 93, $6.40.

Squier Money-Back Purse, three days—50,000 targets at 1c each, $500.00; 65 entries first day at $1, $65.00; 68 entries second day at $1, $68.00; 60 entries third day at $1, $60.00. Total purse, $693.00; losses paid back, $263.00; surplus, $430.00.

Winners: J. F. Couts 339x350, $49.45; J. Weisser 339, $49.45; D. Holohan 337, $43.00; R. P. De Mund 336, $34.40; O. N. Ford 335, $34.40; A. Julian 334, $30.10; W. G. Harris 333, $22.90; Toney Prior 333, $22.90; W. G. Warren 333, 22.90; C. Monoghan 332, $14.30; H. Pfirrmann 332, $14.30; R. H. Bungay 332, $14.30; Lee Couts 331, $7.50; R. N. Fuller 331, $7.50; H. Ogilvie 331, $7.50; Tom Wilkes 331, $7.50; J. Plaskett 330, $4.30; R. N. Arnold 329, $4.30; W. B. Twitchell 329, $4.30; H. Havens 328, $4.30; C. A. Sage 328, $4.30; A. G. Wilkes 326, $4.30; H. P. De Mund 325, $4.30; W. S. Peace 325, $4.30; H. Williams 324, $4.30; S. Brunner 323, $4.30; W. Eilert 323, $4.30.

Optional Sweeps, July 8, 9 and 10—350 regular program targets. 11 entries at $5, $55.00 purse.

Winners: J. F. Couts, 143-98-98—339, $16.50; D. Holohan, 146-96-95—337, $11.00; R. P. De Mund, 146-94-96—336, $8.25; W. G. Harris, 141-95-97—333, $6.85; Toney Prior, 142-94-97—333, $6.85; R. H. Bungay, 141-95-96—332, $5.50.

Optional Sweep, July 8—19 entries at $1, $19.00 in each event. Event No. 1 each 15 paid $2.35; No. 2 each 15 paid $3.15; No. 3 each 15 paid $2.35; No. 4 each 15 paid $2.35; No. 5 each 15 paid $2.35; No. 6 each 15 paid $3.80; No. 7 each 15 paid $1.45; No. 8 each 15 paid $3.15; No. 9 each 15 paid $2.35; No. 10 each 15 paid $2.10. 14s did not count.

Optional Sweep, July 8—150 targets. 11 entries at $5, $55.00 purse. R. P. De Mund 146, $13.75; D. Holohan 146, $13.75; L. Couts 144, $8.25; J. F. Couts 143, $6.85; R. N. Fuller 143, $6.85; Toney Prior 142, $2.75; H. Ogilvie 142, $2.75.

Optional Sweep, July 9—15 entries at $1, $15.00 in each event. Event No. 1 each 20 paid $7.50, 19 paid 75c.; Event No. 2 20's paid $1.65, Event No. 3 20's paid $3.00, Event No. 4 20's paid $3.75, Event No. 5 20's paid $5.00.

Optional Sweep, July 9—100 targets. 11 entries at $5, $55.00 purse. J. F. Couts 98, $13.75; Tom Wilkes 98, $13.75; D. Holohan 96, $8.25; W. G. Harris 95, $6.85; R. H. Bungay 95, $6.85; H. Pfirrmann 94, $1.35; Lee Couts 94, $1.35; W. G. Warren 94, $1.35; R. P. De Mund 94, $1.35.

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Interstate Tournament—Programmes are out for the California-Nevada Trapshooters' Association fourth annual tournament on the Golden Gate Gun Club's grounds, August 5-6-7. Ten 20 target events, $2.00 entrance, and $25.00 added to each—200 singles is the bill for the first day. Eight 25 bird races, $2.50 entrance, $30.00 added is the second day's schedule. The last day's card calls for five 20 bird matches, $2.00 entrance, $20.00 added and one 1 event, $5.00 entrance, $100 added.

Seven trophies—Hunter Arms, Sorenson, Peter Du Pont, Reed, Roos and Hunter Arms No. 2, will shot for the second day in the 25 bird events, his guns to win. Each trophy has three "legs" on it. two individual wins goes for permanent ownershi These events will no doubt bring out a big entry. Th 100 bird race purse will be divided high guns, nur ber of moneys determined by the entries. Oth purses will be divided Rose system 5-4-3-2.

Get a programme in the sporting goods stores, write to Secretary Ted Riley, Humboldt Bank Bldg San Francisco.

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Golden Gate Monthly Shoot.—Ten squads of sho gun enthusiasts were on the firing line at the Golde Gate Gun Club blue rock trap ground at West Al meda station July 18. "Pop" Merrill was high gu in the regular club programme of 50 birds. Tone Prior was next up with a string of 47. Merrill, Prio A. G. Wilkes and Knight broke every bird in th opening club medal match.

Five 19s were high guns in the challenge troph shoot and eight gun pointers pulverized every san saucer in the 10-bird event. Charley Spencer, th St. Louis expert, missed but one bird out of 5 chances. Miss Meyers and Miss Avery proved tha women know how to point a shotgun gracefully an effectively. The scores follow:

C. G. Spencer*	20	20	9	4
C. A. Merrill	20	19	9	4
Lon Hawxhurst*	19	19	10	4
R. C. Reed*	19	19	10	4
A. G. Wilkes	20	18	10	4
Toney Prior	20	18	9	4
Barney Worthen	18	18	10	4
C. H. Knight*	20	17	9	4
Ted Riley	16	19	10	4
E. Hoelle	19	18	8	4
C. Westerfeld	18	17	9	4
Pickersgill	18	18	8	4
H. R. Phinney	16	19	9	4
Roy Avery	18	17	9	4
C. A. Haight*	19	16	9	4
H. C. Peet	18	18	7	4
N. A. Howard	16	17	10	4
W. H. Price	14	18	10	4
Becktell	19	16	6	4
N. R. McGill	15	17	8	4
Geo. Thomas	18	13	9	4
E. Wilkes	18	15	7	3
J. H. Jones	15	14	8	3
Ed Foster	14	14	10	3
Miss Meyers	12	19	7	3
Ed Ducker	15	14	7	3
Stone	14	16	7	3
T. W. Parsons	16	12	7	3
Hamilton	14	13	8	3
F. Webster	13	16	6	3
Eugene Foster	13	15	7	3
A. J. Williams	13	12	9	3
Shafter	17	16	..	3
Pete Ashcroft	13	11	6	3
Miss A. G. Wilkes	12	11	6	2

*Professionals.

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On a Brief Visit—Charles G. Spencer of St. Louis, the great pump gun artist, was in this city for several days last week and gave our sanctum the once over. This was his initial trip to San Francisco and like every other Eastern visitor who has had a look in here he regretted to leave—he will be back again, however, they all come back. He landed first at San Diego where he did some long run stunts during

Tenth Pacific Coast Handicap, San Diego, Cal. Summary of scores. Wednesday, July 7—A: Practice day, 100 singles, 16 yards. Thursday, July 8—B: Regular program, ten 15 bird events, 150 singles, 16 yards. C—Special event at doubles, 25 pairs, 50 birds. Friday, July 9—D: Regular program, five 20 bird events, 100 targets, 16 yards. E: Preliminary Handicap, 100 singles, unknown angles, 16 to 23 yards rise. Saturday, July 10—F: Regular program, five 20 bird events, 100 singles, 16 yards. G: Pacific Coast Handicap, 100 singles, unknown angles, 16 to 23 yards rise. H: Total breaks in regular program, 350 singles. I: Total score in regular program and both handicap events—650 singles. J: Total score on all targets, singles and doubles—700.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
J. N. Weisser	96	146	39	96	20-92	97	20-91	339	...	657
Foster Couts	97	143	48	98	22-81	98	21-98	339	...	663
D. Holohan	88	146	39	96	20-91	95	20-95	337	...	650
R. F. De Mund	97	146	29	94	20-85	96	19-94	336	...	641
Toney Prior	96	142	47	94	21-89	97	21-94	335	...	639
O. N. Ford	92	145	39	95	21-89	95	..-..	335	...	...
J. Plaskett	..	140	35	97	18-85	93	18-81	334	...	...
A. Julian	90	145	..	95	18-95	94	19-93	334	612	...
W. G. Harris	95	141	..	95	19-90	97	19-89	333	607	...
W. G. Warren	92	145	43	94	19-97	94	20-89	333	...	654
H. Pfirrmann	95	141	39	94	19-91	97	18-88	332	...	655
R. H. Bungay	..	141	..	95	21-95	96	22-88	332	...	...
Tom Wilkes	95	140	..	98	19-93	93	19-93	331	612	...
Harry Ogilvie	93	142	37	94	19-94	95	19-94	331	...	649
Dr. R. N. Fuller	100	143	..	94	19-95	94	20-93	331	621	...
L. Couts	96	144	..	94	19-88	93	18-69	331	584	...
A. G. Wilkes	93	139	..	92	16-84	95	19-88	330	591	...
W. Y. Wetzell	93	139	41	88	18-92	94	18-92	329	...	639
R. M. Arnold	90	141	..	95	20-87	93	19-91	329	597	...
W. B. Twitchell	87	142	..	93	18-93	94	18-88	329	589	...
C. A. Sage	65	138	41	94	18-91	96	18-90	328	...	613
H. Havens	90	139	..	97	17-94	92	18-97	328	609	...
A. H. Jones	90	134	37	93	17-82	98	16-89	325	...	633
W. S. Peace	95	136	..	96	18-94	93	19-91	325	...	655
H. P. De Mund	85	138	..	94	19-89	93	18-95	325	594	...
A. Julian	90	145	..	89	16-89	90	16-91	324	594	...
H. M. Williams	92	140	..	93	18-93	91	19-98	324	607	...
S. R. Smith	..	137	..	91	18-89	94	17-94	324	...	...
W. J. Eilert	..	140	...	88	19-89	95	18-93	323	...	...
S. A. Bruner, Jr.	92	144	..	85	19-89	94	18-95	323	599	...
C. B. Monoghan	92	134	39	97	19-91	92	19-90	323	...	635
F. Mellus	96	137	37	90	19-90	94	18-89	321	...	623
A. Ervast	95	135	..	88	19-88	97	18-98	320	601	...
C. H. Julian	89	135	..	94	18-98	90	..-..	319	...	...
Roy Avery	93	140	..	89	19-87	89	17-90	318	588	...
N. A. Howard	89	131	..	95	17-86	92	16-93	318	586	...
J. F. Dodds	94	136	..	90	20-83	91	18-95	317	589	...
Dr. L. M. Packard	88	136	..	90	19-86	91	18-94	317	...	635
W. H. Rodden	93	133	41	91	18-88	92	17-97	316	...	635
Mrs. Ada Schilling	..	131	..	94	16-86	91	16-87	316	...	...
E. M. Barber	89	135	..	93	17-97	88	19-92	316	594	...
F. W. Stall	93	136	34	93	19-78	87	18-86	316	...	613
T. W. Nell	81	133	38	87	19-87	93	18-93	313	...	622
C. E. Grout	81	139	32	89	16-89	94	16-91	312	...	615
E. J. Kelly	90	131	..	86	16-76	93	16-93	310	569	...
S. W. Grier	89	130	..	93	17-84	86	16-74	309	556	...
Will Julian	83	129	..	89	16-89	90	16-91	308	571	...
C. D. Hagerman	..	126	41	92	17-90	89	17-90	307	...	...
W. T. Jones	..	121	..	93	17-82	87	16-89	301	...	...
H. R. Phinney	..	124	..	88	16-90	89	16-92	301	...	...
F. K. Burnham	83	131	47	78	17-83	88	16-86	297	569	...
R. J. Walsh	87	125	..	82	17-85	84	16-85	291	548	...
C. Couts	73	130	35	89	.....	88	.....	287	...	...

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J
T. N. Dunn	84	122	..	76	16-77	78	16-82	276	519	...
J. W. Dorsey	85	125	..	74	.....	73	.....	272	...	...
T. S. Parker	81	121	..	88	16-79	85	.....	194	...	...
C. Gilmore	92	...	..	90	18-82	86	17-84	...	...	...
J. G. Merrill	84	133	..	82	18-79	..	.....	...	...	...
J. J. Hinckley	88	134	..	89	17-79	..	.....	...	...	...
F. Ecker	91	134	..	91	18-91	..	.....	...	...	...
Mrs. A. G. Wilkes	76	120	..	..	.....	..	16-76	...	...	...
C. B. Jackson	94	127	..	91	17-84	..	17-83	...	...	...
C. O. Bariean	89	130	..	..	17-83	..	16-87	...	...	...
E. E. Watson	87	132	..	..	.....	..	.....	...	...	...
H. A. Cameron	89	139	..	83	16-90	86	.....	...	...	...
F. F. Hostetter	..	134	..	..	.....	..	16-92	...	...	...
L. W. Slocum	..	138	..	89	.....	..	16-82	...	...	...
W. Halbritter	..	128	..	..	.....	..	.....	...	...	...
L. C. Forrest	..	132	..	92	17-91	..	17-85	...	...	...
E. M. Barber	..	..	..	93	17-97	88	19-92	...	...	...
S. R. Smith	..	..	..	91	18-89	..	.....	...	...	...
W. G. Harris	..	..	..	95	19-90	97	19-89	...	...	...
W. F. Cobb	..	..	..	92	20-91	99	20-94	...	...	...
R. A. Bixby	..	..	..	90	16-93	95	16-91	...	...	...
Dr. E. Merrithew	..	..	..	83	16-86	..	.....	...	...	...
G. P. Muchmore	..	..	..	68	16-59	..	.....	...	...	...
J. F. Downes	93	141	..	91	19-87	..	.....	...	...	...
H. H. Peters	..	..	..	..	.....	74	16-79	...	...	...
A. H. Jones	..	..	..	..	.....	98	.....	...	...	...
H. H. Thomas	..	..	..	..	.....	87	.....	...	...	...
W. M. Francis	..	..	..	..	.....	87	.....	...	...	...
Brunner	..	..	..	..	.....	..	16-85	...	...	...
J. S. French	..	..	..	..	.....	..	16-73	...	...	...
H. Cline	..	54	..	..	.....	..	.....	...	...	...
C. H. Richards	..	49	..	..	.....	..	.....	...	...	...
F. W. Young	..	63	..	..	.....	..	.....	...	...	...
F. Newton	..	..	..	41	.....	..	.....	...	...	...
T. H. Smith	66	117	..	..	.....	..	.....	...	...	...
L. H. Reid*	95	147	..	98	23-92	98	23-91	343	641	...
C. G. Spencer*	99	145	44	100	23-92	97	23-95	342	...	672
Guy Holohan*	96	146	43	98	21-93	97	21-93	341	...	666
R. C. Reed*	97	145	40	98	21-89	97	20-91	340	...	647
H. E. Poston*	93	146	43	94	23-89	97	22-94	339	...	646
E. J. Morgan*	96	147	43	95	23-90	97	23-89	339	...	657
Ed Mitchell*	96	145	42	94	22-91	94	21-92	333	...	654
P. J. Holohan*	91	143	..	93	20-87	96	19-90	332	600	...
C. H. Knight*	91	142	30	91	20-90	96	20-93	331	...	623
W. F. Cobb*	97	139	43	92	20-91	99	20-94	330	...	653
G. L. Carter*	..	138	42	92	19-96	95	21-85	325	...	...
C. A. Haight*	86	133	39	96	17-90	92	17-86	321	...	622
Fred Willet*	..	137	40	94	19-90	88	19-93	319	...	...
G. E. Oliver*	83	132	..	83	16-78	81	16-92	296	...	599
T. E. Doremus*	80	125	29	86	16-88	..	16-8-	...	...	...
J. G. Heath*	..	..	..	91	16-87	82	16-94	...	...	...
H. A. Hoyt*	88	...	..	..	.....	..	16-85	...	...	...

e Pacific Coast Handicap—157 being his best showg and incidentally the top run of the shoot. He ntinued his smokeless powder fireworks at Los geles the following week. Last Sunday at the lden Gate shoot he was high gun, 98x100. An erage of 98% during his Coast trip is certainly me single stick shooting to take notice of. This ight be expected, though, from a shooter who holds e world's long run record—565 straight, made at ola, Ills., 1909.

GRAND AMERICAN HANDICAP.

The Interstate Association's sixteenth Grand American Trapshooting Tournament will be held in Grant Park, Chicago, Illinois, under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trapshooters, August 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20.

From 1900—the year in which the first Grand American Trapshooting Tournament at Targets was held—until the present time, The Interstate Association has spared no pains to arrange all details of this great annual tournament. This year more than ordinary care and forethought have been bestowed upon the preparations. This was necessary, inasmuch as the management of the Association recognized had a new problem to solve, viz., the successful carrying out of an extremely difficult program on new grounds under new conditions.

However, as in the past, nothing was left undone that could add to the pleasure and comfort of the most of sportsmen who, year by year, attended the Grand American Tournament in increasing numbers, so this year will the management work diligently for the same end to meet equally the new conditions.

Never in the history of trapshooting in Chicago has there been as much enthusiasm shown nor has any trapshooting tournament ever been held that will have the co-operation and support of as many prominent and influential business men, including all the city, country and gun clubs and other organizations. The General Promotion Committee is composed of representatives from nearly every trapshooting organization in the vicinity of Chicago—aggregating thirty-nine trapshooting clubs.

The program for this year's tournament is not materially different from that of its predecessor, held last year. That program was so happily devised that it won the approval and support of the trapshooting fraternity to a marked degree. The schedule of events, in the main, follows the policy adopted by The Interstate Association in respect to its Grand American Trapshooting Tournaments, and which have proven in practice to be popular, equiable and successful.

As was the case last year, The Interstate Association will donate numerous trophies to be competed for. These trophies will be well worth winning, and the winners will have the satisfaction of having something besides cash to take home with them as proof that they have defeated "the best in the land at the greatest trapshooting tournament in the world."

To handle a handicap tournament, and handle it successfully, is always a difficult matter; sometimes the effort succeeds, more often it fails. It is with a direct knowledge of this condition of affairs, a knowledge born of experience, that ten traps will be installed under the 'Section System," slightly modified. By using ten traps the management confidently believes that, barring inclement weather, it will be possible to finish each event on the day it is scheduled to be shot with a total of 700 entrants.

Many suggestions were offered during the past year to The Interstate Association looking to a different system of dividing the moneys. All such suggestions, however, were rejected, the management of the Association preferring to stand by its colors, basing its belief in the soundness of the principle of "high guns to win" on the successes of the past.

The program for America's premier trap shooting meet, briefly outlined, is as follows:

Monday, August 16—Preliminary Day, Grant Park Introductory, open to amateurs only: 200 single targets, unknown angles, $20 entrance—targets included, 18 yards rise, high guns, $100 added. Squads will not be divided into sections this day.

First Day, Tuesday, August 17—The Chicago Overture, open to amateurs only: 100 single targets, $25 entrance—targets included, 16 yards rise, high guns win—not class shooting, $100 added. Thirteen dollars of the entrance money will be divided on the scores made at the 100 targets, one money for each 10 entries or fraction thereof. The remaining $10 will be divided on the scores made at each 20 targets ($2 per event), one money for each 10 entries or fraction thereof. The scores made in The Chicago Overture will be included in the official averages for 1915, as the tournament is registered.

The National Amateur Championship at 50 double targets, open to amateurs only: $10 entrance—targets included, 16 yards rise, high guns, $100 added to the purse. The winners of first, second and third moneys will each receive a trophy, presented by The Interstate Association.

The National Amateur Championship at 100 single targets, 16 yards rise, no entrance fee and no charge for targets. Open only to the winners (or to the runners-up) of "The Interstate Association's State Amateur Championship" competed for at the tournaments given by the several State Associations holding Registered State State Tournaments in 1915. The winner will be presented by The Interstate Association with a silver trophy costing $100 wholesale.

Each winner of a State Championship (or the runner-up) will be presented with $50 by The Interstate Association, provided he competes in this event. Optional sweepstakes, $10 entrance, one money for each 10 entries or fraction thereof.

Second Day, Wednesday, August 18—Preliminary Handicap, open to amateurs only: 100 single targets, $7 entrance—targets included, handicaps 16 to 23 yards, high guns, $100 added. The handicaps contestants receive for the Grand American Handicap will govern in this event. The number of moneys into which the purse will be divided determined by the number of entries. First, second and third highest scores will each receive a trophy, presented by The Interstate Association.

Third Day, Thursday, August 19—The Grand American Handicap, open to amateurs only: 100 single targets, unknown angles, $10 entrance—targets included, handicaps 16 to 23 yards, high guns, $500 added to the purse. The number of moneys will be determined by the number of entries.

The winner of first money is guaranteed $500 or more and a trophy; winner of second money guaranteed $400 or more and a trophy; winner of third money guaranteed $300 or more and a trophy; winner of fourth money guaranteed $200 or more and a trophy; winner of fifth money guaranteed $100 or more and a trophy. If first, second, third, fourth and fifth moneys fall below these amounts, the difference will be made good by The Interstate Association.

Regular entries must be made on or before Saturday, August 7, and must be accompanied by $5 forfeit. Penalty entries may be made after August 7, up to 5 p. m. Tuesday, August 17, by paying $15 entrance—targets included. An entry is not transferable, and entrance money cannot be withdrawn after entry has been made.

Fourth Day, Friday, August 20—Consolation Handicap, open to amateurs only: 100 single targets, $7 entrance—targets included, handicaps 16 to 23 yards, high guns, $100 added. The handicaps received for the Grand American Handicap will govern in this event. The number of moneys will be determined by the number of entries. The contestants making the first, second and third highest scores will each receive a trophy, presented by The Interstate Association. Any entrant who has been a money winner (regardless of how small the amount) in the Preliminary Handicap or Grand American Handicap will not be eligible to take part in this event.

There will be a total of $3,750 added money and Interstate Association trophies for the winning shooters.

The handicap committee is constituted as follows: O. P. Goode, Chicago, Ills., chairman; C. D. Coburn, Machanicsburg, Ohio; J. F. Wulf, Milwaukee, Wis; J. K. Warren, Birmingham, Ala.; Ray E. Loring, Marsailles, Ills.

Elmer E. Shaner, Treasurer of The Interstate Association, will be secretary of the committee, but will not have a vote in the handicapping of contestants. The committee will meet at Chicago, Saturday, August 14, but handicaps will not be announced until the next day.

Professionals and paid representatives are barred, even from shooting for "targets only," from all scheduled events. An extra trap will be installed for the use of professionals and paid representatives only, and a special 100-target event will be arranged each day for their benefit.

Several match races between well known professionals will be shot. In order that the spectators can follow the shooting without confusion, time permitting, each match will be shot as a separate event—100 targets per man—and they will start about 3 p. m. each day.

The following schedule has been arranged up to the time the program went to press:

Tuesday, August 17: Ben Schwartz vs. J. E. Dickey, W. D. Stannard vs. H. W. Cadwallader, C. G. Spencer vs. L. S. German.

Wednesday, August 18: J. S. Fanning vs. Murray Ballou, Jr., C. A. Young vs. Art Killam, J. R. Taylor vs. Homer Clark.

Thursday, August 19: F. G. Bills vs. Ed. O'Brien, T. A. Marshall vs. P. J. Holohan, Fred Gilbert vs. W. R. Crosby.

Friday, August 20: D. D. Gross vs. C. E. Goodrich, H. C. Kirkwood vs. R. R. Barber, R. W. Clancy vs. Walter Huff.

It is expected that several more match races will be arranged, due announcement of which will be made on the bulletin board on the shooting grounds.

The "Little Joker" trap will be another feature of the tournament with daily special events arranged.

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FISH LINES.

Whether up or down stream fishing produces best results or not is a question that will be argued until doomsday. Will Neal claims that fishing from horseback, as he has done many times in the trout streams of Montana, has unusual advantages over any other system. Riding down stream he has whipped out a trout almost from under the horse's hoofs. The theory is that the fish are used to horses and cattle and will not stampede as they do when the two-legged wader comes down stream.

Trout angling conditions at many favorite resorts are prime and fine baskets of speckled fish are landed daily by many local rodsters and their families who are enjoying an outing spell in the Sierra regions.

Lake Tahoe fishing is said to be all that could be desired, particularly at the Emerald bay fishing grounds. There, however, it is necessary to get one's spoon, or other lure, far down in the depths—100 or 150 feet, to secure the large lake denizens. Cascade and other near-by creeks offer the choice of smaller trout and possibly a more pleasing fight with a fish landed with lighter tackle. F. C. O'Conner, Mrs. O'Conner and Barry O'Conner during a two weeks' sojourn landed daily limits. One catch, nine trout, weighed just nine pounds.

At Boca and other Truckee points splendid sport is reported. Mr. and Mrs. James Maynard, Fred Schultz, Ed Schultz and Mrs. Schultz Sr. were the latest arrivals at that point. Al Ray and Al Polette's ten days' fishing was amply rewarded with limit baskets.

Bait fishing with grasshoppers and helgramites, produced but fair catches at Belden recently. The same may be said of Keddie and Nevis fishing spots. Near Blairsden, in the Feather river, its branches and the mountain lakes, the sport is said to be better. The main river is clear and normal.

Several anglers had the good luck to land five-pound trout. Spinning spoons and beaverkill, Hoffland's fancy, Hardy's favorite, red spinner and black gnats were the killing lures. Albert Gruenewaldt reports fishing is improving at Big Bar and will be better every day.

Al Wright's stay for two weeks at Quincy was good for daily limits of eight to fourteen-inch trout, in fine condition. At Shady Rest a number of San Francisco and Oakland visitors have enjoyed good sport. The fishing now in Grizzly creek is particularly commended.

Indian creek is near Taylorsville, in Plumas county, where Will Eaton and Tom Maguire of the California Angler's Club have been picking up daily limits of proper sized trout.

Big and Little Stony creeks, near Fouts Springs, have been prospected recently by Joe Springer, Milton Frankenburg, John Cattermole, Charles Gibbs, Arthur Brand, Howard Nauman and others. The verdict was, "the best of trout fishing can be had."

George Dawson tried the American river near Riverton, Placer county, for a week. No difficulty was experienced in getting daily limits of trout.

Chris Morehouse has been trying the upper reaches of the San Gregorio and its branches—La Honda, Alpine, Harrington and other brushy-hidden confluents, and with good results.

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Striped bass anglers were sent up in the air on Wednesday by a telephone communication from Chief Otterson of the Napa Fire Department that a huge fifty-pound bass had been caught by a Napa rodster in the creek "near the tannery." The Wingo visitors—Joe Gaborino, Charles Reynard, Al Palmer, Louis Siminio and others are reported to have landed a dozen bass last Sunday, the fish ranging from ten to twenty pounds.

Evidently there is a run of large striped bass in Napa creek at present, for the record sized bass taken in our waters was landed Wednesday last week by C. Ross, a Napa angler. This monster bass scaled seventy-six pounds and it took Ross an hour and a half to land it.

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Salmon fishing off Santa Cruz still continues very good. The fish are running a little larger than the previous week.

Peters Points.

At the Texas State Shoot, Temple, Texas, June 22-24, users of Peters shells were successful in a number of the principal events. In the State Team Championship event Messrs. E. F. and Sam Forsgard, the latter shooting Peters shells, won the title with 50 straight, the same score being made by the professionals, L. I. Wade and H. A. Murrelle, both using "P" shells. In the State Championship, single targets, Mr. Phil. Miller tied for first with 99x100. Messrs. Wade and Murrelle won second and third professional averages respectively and also won the State Championship at double targets, 27x15 pair. Three of the Interstate Association medals went to users of the "P" brand.

Interstate Association Tournaments—

August 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chicago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy, and the winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

July 19, 20, 21, 22—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary, Tacoma, Wash.

July 24—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, W. S. Short, Secretary, Chehalis, Wash.

July 28, 29—Delta County Gun Club, Nick Powell and R. A. King, Managers, Hotchkiss, Colo.

Aug. 5, 6, 7—Fourth annual tournament California-Nevada Trapshooters' Association. Auspices of Golden Gate Gun Club, West Alameda trap grounds. T. D. Riley Secretary, Humboldt Bldg., San Francisco.

August 10—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 5-6.—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

Hog Cholera and Its Prevention

The University of California Experiment Station advises all hog owners to vaccinate their swine against hog cholera as soon as the danger of exposure is suspected. The late summer and fall is the time when hog cholera is most prevalent. Epidemics have already started in several places in the state, and even in localities supposed to be free from the disease farmers are warned to keep their hogs isolated and to watch for signs of sickness.

Hog cholera in the living sick does not present symptoms which positively distinguish it from other affections. If one of the hogs gets sick it should be removed at once from the herd. Before it dies a veterinarian should be called to kill and autopsy the animal and take temperatures on the others. This will usually show whether or not the disease is cholera. Do not wait until the animal dies, for if cholera is present great losses will result from its spread unless the healthy hogs are immunized at once.

If pigs get off feed or show any sign of sickness the probability of its being cholera should be considered, since nine out of ten sick hogs have this disease. Recent investigations have shown that most of the so-called cases of swine plague, infectious pneumonia, contagious sore eyes, staggers, and oftentimes paralysis, are really hog cholera, and the failure to recognize the underlying cause of such conditions has resulted in much unnecessary loss.

Owing to the expense of vaccination and the danger from carelessness in the use of virus, this station recommends the immunization of hogs only in infected localities, except in case of valuable swine which are to be shipped for exhibition or breeding purposes. There are two methods of immunizing hogs against cholera. In one the serum alone is used, producing an immunity lasting from thirty to ninety days; in the other, a small amount of virus (virulent hog-cholera-producing blood) is injected simultaneously with the serum, but at a different point in the body of the animal. This latter is known as the "simultaneous method" and will produce lasting immunity, except in suckling pigs and small shotes, in which case the immunity may disappear as they mature. Some serum manufacturers and others in their efforts to sell serum have advised all hog owners to immunize, stating that hog cholera is so prevalent that no farmer can afford to run the risk of keeping a susceptible herd. Under California conditions general vaccination at present would be desirable only in certain badly infected districts, while in other localities it would be a needless expense. The general use of the simultaneous method in non-infected districts may spread hog cholera, although we have seen no evidence that it has ever done so, while the use of serum alone would be a waste of money, for the reason that the immunity from this method is so short.

There is often a difference of opinion among veterinarians as to when to use the serum alone and when virus should be used with the serum. As previously stated, vaccination is not advisable unless there appears to be danger of cholera infection.

In infected herds this station usually advises the simultaneous method on all healthy hogs, except sows heavy with pig or with litters less than six weeks old. Such sows and their litters may receive serum alone, but should be re-immunized with serum and virus six to ten weeks after farrowing. Temperatures should always be taken and the animals which have over 104 degrees F. should be considered already infected and given serum alone, using a 50 per cent increased dosage.

Pigs from immune sows, although somewhat resistant, are not always free from the liability of having cholera. Some litters may be farrowed in infected pens and go past weaning time without becoming infected, while others get cholera within two or three weeks after farrowing. The pigs should be closely watched and if any show signs of cholera they should be given the serum alone. This will usually carry them well past weaning time, when they can be given the simultaneous treatment. If the herd seems to be extraordinarily susceptible to cholera, however, it will be necessary to give the serum alone more than once in order to carry them several weeks past weaning. Pigs given the simultaneous treatment soon after weaning sometimes lose this protection within a few months. To acquire a long-time immunity, pigs should weigh at least fifty or sixty pounds at the time of receiving the simultaneous treatment. At this weight the immunity usually lasts the ordinary lifetime of the hog. Certain swine raisers in this state whose herds are constantly exposed to infection and who have developed a thoroughly immunized lot of brood sows are able to permanently immunize the pigs at six weeks of age by injecting a slightly increased dose of virus (2 c.c.) and a small dose of serum (15 c.c.).

All hogs giving visible symptoms should be killed or placed in isolation pens without vaccination. It is a waste of money to treat visibly sick hogs. Notices should be posted, warning visitors to keep out, and the premises should be considered infected for at least thirty days after the disease has disappeared. Linen posters, 14 x 11 inches, printed as follows, can be obtained free by writing to the Veterinary Division, University of California, Berkeley, California:

WARNING

The hogs on these premises have been vaccinated with

VIRUS AND SERUM.

No visitors allowed in these pens or fields.

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The hogs on these premises are free from cholera.

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No visitors allowed in hog pens or fields without permission.

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(Signed).....

In exposed herds where no sickness is present the use of the simultaneous method is advised. The vaccination of sows heavy with pig and those having litters less than six weeks old should be postponed and such animals isolated in pens protected from the possibility of infection.

Regarding the immunizing of small pigs against cholera, it has already been mentioned that the immunity frequently disappears in from four to six months, therefore it is advisable when a sickness is present to postpone the vaccination of pigs until they weigh at least fifty pounds. The sows on which such pigs are suckling should not be given virus with serum until the pigs are treated. When it is deemed necessary, serum alone may be used on sows and their pigs, but after an interval of several weeks they should be re-immunized by the simultaneous method.

The use of the so-called double method, consisting of serum alone, followed in ten to fourteen days with serum and virus, has not proved satisfactory under California conditions. Unless an interval of at least three weeks is allowed to elapse between injections immunity appears to be much shorter than that conferred by the simultaneous injection.

The information furnished in this bulletin should not be considered as sufficient to quality the average hog owner to use serum and virus. Persons who desire to perfect themselves in the technic of vaccination so that they may vaccinate their own hogs are advised to write to the Veterinary Division and arrange to take the personal instruction which is given at certain times at the hog serum laboratory. Persons who come for such instruction should plan to stay at least two days.

The University of California manufactures anti-hog-cholera serum and is authorized by act of the legislature to sell it at actual cost of production to any bona fide resident of the state who is engaged in hog raising. At present the cost is 1½ cents per cubic centimeter, the same charge being made for both serum and virus. Both must be kept cool and used as soon as possible after being received. Neither serum nor virus is returnable for credit. This station will not send virus except for use by a qualified man and then only in case hog cholera exists in the locality, one exception to this being that for the accommodation of breeders who desire to sell immune stock or to protect hogs which are sent to fairs arrangements can be made to have the swine immunized, provided the work is done by a representative of this station and the owner agrees to hold the hogs in strict quarantine for at least thirty days after immunization.

All applications should specify in writing the amount of serum and virus desired or the approximate weights of all hogs to be treated. In case serum is ordered by telephone or telegraph a confirming order signed by the owner of the hogs should be sent by mail. Serum will be shipped only when cash accompanies the order, or C. O. D.

Address all communications to The Veterinary Division, University of California, Berkeley, California

HOW TO BECOME A TIMER.

Manager The Horseman's Correspondence School—Have recently been appointed to act as timer at one of our leading fairs and write to you for instructions as to how to act, as I have never been in a judge's stand before. The secretary of this association owes me money and gave me this job, so that I will stop pushing him so hard. Yours, T. I. MER.

You are going to take some such a job, when you know nothing about it, and if the other timers have no more experience than you have, we can see some warm arguments ahead and at any time you are liable to run amuck of either one of the two Big Bill H's (Knight or Gocher), and then you may never work an official watch again. The two above named gentlemen are bugs on suppression of time, but the majority of the timers officiating today are taking a chance in time suppression and you can do the same.

You should buy or borrow a stop watch, one of those kind of time pieces that have two hands on them, which start and stop independent of each other. You can buy these all the way from three dollars to $300, just as strong as you want to g Many of the most prominent timers of the day ar satisfied with borrowing, as almost any driver wi loan you his watch when he knows that you are t time in his races, as it gives you a splendid chanc to return the favor, by helping him go in slower tim than he really went.

Never feel under any obligation that the time re istered on your watch must agree with that on th other watches, as history does not record a cas where three watches agreed when in the hands o three official timers, working in a stand during race. Many watches in the hands of spectators ofte agree on the time of a mile, but never in a stanc Sometimes the disagreement is caused by accident but more often because one or two of the timers ar helping out some friend in the race.

The proper time to start your watch when timing a race is when the pole horse is going under th wire, but a timer wants his watch to register slower mile than the real one should be; he should start his watch when the horses are down the stretch some five or ten yards, then when the heat is finished the watch will show slow. If you want a faster mile than the horse is going, start your watch after th horses have passed the wire. We should not giv the above inside dope away, but you seem so sincere we cannot help obliging you.

It is not often you will be called upon to give a faster mile than the horse stepped, and this happens oftener when an association has a fast track record and desires to lower it; then they engage some fast horse to come there and go on exhibition against time. Of course the track may not be in shape to induce extreme speed, but this is easily remedied by the timers, who should start their watches when the horse has passed the wire about ten yards. Of course the first quarter will be very fast and the other three much slower, but do not mind this, as very few people will notice the discrepancy and you please the track officials by giving their course a new record. A first quarter in 28 seconds and the next three in about 32 only looks funny on the judge's book, but if anything is said you can say that "the horse went boiling to the quarter, but the back stretch was bad and he slowed up." This makes you look wise and gives the track credit it does not possess.

As a timer, you will always have the drivers flirting with you. They give you a pleasant smile whenever they meet you, and will even entertain you with drinks and cigars if you will accept. All this is done so that they can use you afterwards. Watch these men run into the stand after they finish a heat, forgetting all about their horses. They will come at you strong with such expressions as: "Keep me in such and such a class," or else: "I want to start over at so-and-so next week, and entries do not close until such and such a day, so, gentlemen, please don't spoil my chances, keep me good in that class." The excuses are numerous and you must be flinty hearted to withstand some of these pleas.

Some timers accept the job and time with a regular watch without the stop attachment. This takes great care as you must screen your watch from the eyes of the other timers. Let them announce the time they have first and then you agree with either of them. This will please the man you agree with and he will be your friend until you agree with the other fellow. The writer has seen a number of instances where an entire race meeting was timed by three men, none of which had a stop watch. They timed by watching the second hand on their regular watches and they got away with the trick, too. You can imagine the time lost in figuring the quarters, as these men were obliged to take their eyes off the horses to watch their clocks, but a few seconds here and there did not matter.

If you are in a tight place in timing, because some driver wants you to give him a few seconds, refer him to the judges and let them decide. As an incident relative to the above, a driver some years ago in the East won a race in faster time than he wanted. He ran to the stand without studying stragetic points and asked for three seconds to be given his horse, and when he was fined and suspended for making the request he woke up to the fact that he had tackled a strict lot of judges. The timers' stand was on the other side of the track. Of course this may never happen to you.

Some drivers control certain tracks and give orders to the association of what they want done, and in cases of this kind the secretary or president of the track will tell you that he wants horses protected. These officials may hand you a list of the records of all horses that will start during the meeting and when handing this list to you they will say, "Keep all these horses in their classes," and you must either do it or get out. If you agree to these terms and suppress time, you must expect an ovation from the grandstand such as "Rotten," "Get a new watch," "Who told you you could time?" Wear a vacant stare in a case of this kind and be impervious to comment.

There is no salary attached to the job of timer and your only pay will be honor, although you may work the association for a meal or two, but all other expenses you must pay out of your own pocket. Time suppressors are never handed any graft, and should the Big W's get after them and compel an attendance at the board meeting, the timer must foot all the bills to the point of contact.—W. H. Shields in The Horseman.

THE FARM

URE-BREDS—WHY PREFERRED TO MONGRELS.

When the desired qualities came to e fixed in a whole family of animals was but natural that these animals hould be highly valued and that a ecord should be kept of them. So it as that "stud books" and "herd ooks" and "registers"—in which the ames of different animals were set own along with those of their ances- ors—came into being. Now every reed has its records, and if an animal annot find a place in the register of is breed—and he cannot unless his ncestors' names are recorded there—e is not considered a pure-bred, says Progressive Farmer.

It needs but a moment's thought to how any one why pure-bred animals re desirable for breeding purposes nd why one who wishes to improve is live stock can afford to pay several imes as much for an animal whose amily history is known for genera- ions back as one of uncertain breed- ng. Even if the "mongrel" or "scrub" —the animal of unrecorded and un- known parentage—looks to be all that he breeder desires, the wise breeder will not use him. This is especially rue of sires, as their qualities may e handed down to a great number of descendants . There are two reasons for this. One is that the animals can- not be registered; the other, and more important, is that no one can tell with any certainty just what kind of de- scendants the mongrel sire will have. It is one of the laws of nature that qualities, both good and bad, may be inherited not only from father and mother—dam and sire—but from an- cestors farther back. If the family, or strain, has been bred for many years for a certain purpose, desired qualities all the time being strengthened and undesirable ones lessened as much as possible, it is almost certain that all members of the family will inherit most of the qualities which belong to the family. If, on the other hand, the animal is the product of crosses of different breeding, one can only guess what qualities will be transmitted, or how many unsuspected qualities from unknown ancestors will show in the offspring.

For these reasons the man with a large dairy herd, for example, can af- ford to pay several hundred dollars for a Jersey or Holstein bull rather than use a scrub or beef bull. It is prac- tically certain that the daughters of the Jersey or Holstein will be at least fair milkers, because they will inherit milking qualities from many genera- tions. The beef bull's daughters will inherit the tendency to lay on flesh rather than that of giving milk, while the scrub's daughters may, for all the dairyman knows, inherit all sorts of qualities, good, bad and indifferent.

The same general rule holds good with all classes of livestock; and in the future we shall learn to keep pure- breds as sires, even on the general farm.

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

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Third day Relay Race.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

2:20 Pace, 3 heats	$ 700.00
2:12 Trot, 3 in 5	2,000.00
2:15 Pace, 3 heats	700.00

Fourth day Relay Race.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1

Free-for-all Pace, 3 in 5	$ 700.00
2:20 Trot, 3 heats	700.00
Three-minute Trot or Pace, 3 in 5	300.00

Fifth day Relay Race.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2

2:12 Pace, 3 heats	$ 700.00
2:09 Trot, 3 heats	700.00
2:25 Pace (closed)	500.00

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All other races are three heats, money divided: 30% to first heat, 30% to second heat, 30% to third heat and 10% to first and second horses according to rank in summary.

Should two or more horses be tied for the first place after the third heat, such horses only shall contest a fourth heat and the money divided between the first and second horses, according to rank in summary at the termination of this heat. Only winner of the race to get record.

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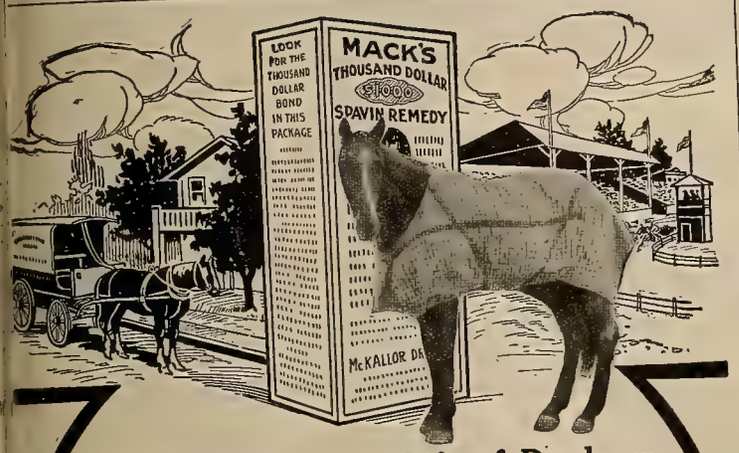
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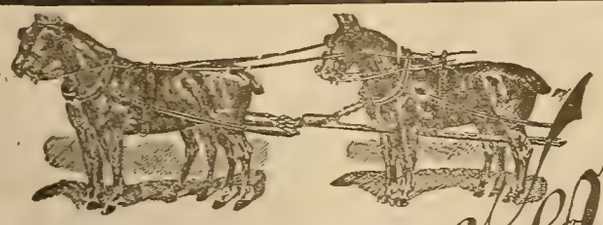
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THREE NEW RED BALL WINNINGS

Telegraphic Dispatches Tell of More Good Scores Made by Shooters of Remington-UMC

Pacific Coast Handicap: San Diego, California:

Preliminary won by Charles H. Julian of San Diego, 98x100 from 18 yards, shooting a Remington-UMC Pump Gun and Arrow Steel Lined Speed Shells. Unusual interest in Mr. Julian's performance because of the fact that he has but one arm, making his victory all the more creditable.

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GOOD SCORES HERE AND THERE

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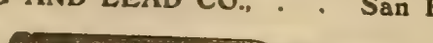
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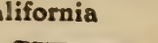
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RIVERSIDE (Riverside District Fair)	Oct. 5-9
SAN FRANCISCO (P.-P. I. E.)	Oct. 30-Nov. 13
PHOENIX (Arizona State Fair)	Nov. 15-20

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PORTLAND, OREGON	Beginning Aug. 2
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SASKATOON, SASK.	Aug. 2-7
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DETROIT, MICH.	July 26-31
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MUSKOGEE, OKLA.	Oct. 4-9
PHOENIX, ARIZ.	Nov. 15-20

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KALAMAZOO, MICH.	Aug. 2-7
GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.	Aug. 9-14
MONTREAL, ONT.	Aug. 16-28
NEW YORK (Empire City), N. Y.	Aug. 30-Sept. 4
HARTFORD, CONN.	Sept. 6-11
SYRACUSE, N. Y.	Sept. 13-18
COLUMBUS, O.	Sept. 20-Oct. 2
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WHAT A DIFFERENCE A FEW HOURS MAKE!

Taking for the inspiration of his pencil the apt slogan "Oh, what a difference a few months make!" that clever cartoonist and jokesmith, Robert L. Dickey, has provided the readers of our esteemed contemporary, the Horse Review, with many a hearty laugh during the weeks just passed. In his customary keen way, Dickey has graphically portrayed the truth of the adage that the only certain thing about horseracing is the uncertainty of it. He has dealt largely with the difference a few months can make, but there are equally striking examples to be drawn from the changes a few weeks have made, and now comes one of the "best yet" and resolves itself to a matter of a few hours, rather than weeks or months.

Down at Youngstown, Ohio, George Dietrich was the man behind the gun for one of the greatest early meetings ever held over a two-lap track. There were plenty of split heat races and numerous heats below 2:10, while on July 13 there was a six-heat trot that will live long in memory—probably for other reasons than that it was a classic as a real contest, the why of the wherefore being thusly, my children: The first race was won by that good daughter of the dead Todd, Lou Jennings, with Tom Patch second and Electric McKerron third, both of them heatwinners. As announced by various reports from the track that day the time hung out from the timers' stand for the first heat, won by Tom Patch, was 2:10¼—a performance worthy of note, any way you look at it. That night or early the next day (the exact hour being of no moment) Tom Patch succumbed to an attack of acute indigestion, unfortunately for his owner and also for the trotting world in general, as we shall never have too many horses of real merit.

So far, so good, but now comes the rub. With Thomas dead and gone comes the announcement that the timers made a "mistake" in their record of the first heat, and that the proper time was 2:08¾—which, if true and substantiated and established as the official time, merely means the following small things: Tom Patch becomes the fastest trotter by Joe Patchen and his second one for the 2:10 list; he becomes the first 2:10 performer to be credited to a daughter of Poteen, an Ohio-owned stallion; he becomes, moreover, a world's champion trotter, ousting Joe Bowers as holder of the record for a first heat in a race on a half-mile track for stallions, consequently bringing a championship credit to himself, his sire and dam, his breeder, owner and driver (which in this case is one and the same person) and also to the Youngstown track. In the light of these possibilities it would be interesting to know by whom the demand was made for the "correction" of the time.

In any case, if the record is established—and just how this can be accomplished without someone's fair reputation being "speckled" it is rather hard to see—it will always be viewed with more or less suspicion, and about all that can be said for the gentlemen occupying the timers' stand is that they were either party to an attempted fraud, or sadly lacking in competence and fitness for their position.

ANOTHER ONE FOR THE BOOK.

Some years ago that resourceful and widely experienced gentleman, Murray Howe, sent out into the wide world that comprehensive little volume, The Excuse Book. Any trainer, no matter how thick of wit, could, from a perusal of its pages, lay in a stock of alibis that were guaranteed to ward off the wrath of any and all persons whatsoever, owners and judges in particular, under any conditions that might arise, no matter how complicated or unexpected they might be. The work of Mr. Howe was the last word in completeness, as it was thought at the time that he had tracked down and reduced to a state of captivity every excuse roaming the trotting horse world from the big line to the outermost portions of the bushes. Horsemen were proud of Murray's work, and, needless to state, so was Murray. It was the apple of his eye, to use a homely phrase, or, in the lingo of the sanctum of that esteemed contemporary, the Horse Review, it stood unquestionably as his "magnus opus"—"magnus," in this instance, having no connection with that eminent genealogical expert and preparer of "only authoritative racing reports," Judge Magnus Flaws.

For all these years, the charming brochure has stood as the exemplification of work well done. Of course, in the passing of time, with the resultant change in ways and means of racing and its conduct, there have arisen numerous excuses, ultra modern, that upon first hearing bear the earmarks of originality, but which upon investigation prove to trace directly to the good old foundation stock, many of those most original in appearance being found to have two top crosses to the old horse, being clever combinations of different parent strains.

Imagine Mr. Howe's chagrin, then, when one bobbed up serenely last week at Cleveland that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, has roamed at will through all these years. We may be wrong, we have often been fooled before, and we have not a volume of the excuse book at hand in which to make the research necessary to the "authoritative" substantiation or repudiation of our theory. However, we think the one referred to is a genuine maverick.

Of course, it is a blow to Mr. Howe, if we are right, to be compelled to acknowledge the shortcomings of his life's work, especially as the one excuse that escaped it was advanced by a gentleman with whom he enjoys an intimate acquaintance of long standing—a gentleman, by the way, to whose original authorship many of the alibis in current use may be directly credited, all of which have found honored place in the Howe booklet.

But—to proceed.

The time is July 21, along in the afternoon.

The place is the race track at North Randall.

The girl—excuse us—we mean the race, is the 2:09 trot, the classic Ohio.

To be more exact, two heats have been raced and the field is rounding the turn into the stretch for the last sprint to the wire.

In the lead on the pole is that battle scarred hay destroyer King Clansman, with Richard McMahon at the helm; in his wake the twin propellors of the armored cruiser Peter Scott are sending that craft right along for Admiral Murphy; from the bridge of the super dreadnaught Peter McCormick, Commander Shuler rings the engine room signal for full speed ahead and Peter begins plowing up alongside of King Clansman, whereupon Chief Tactician McMahon, instead of holding hard aport and rounding the buoy on the inside course, flips his helm to starboard and goes wide, carrying Peter McCormick out still wider and allowing Peter Scott to slip through close hauled and take the short shoot to the wire and win, Peter McCormick, nevertheless, making a challenge that landed him comfortably in the lead of King Clansman.

Now follows a protest by Commander Shuler that in carrying him wide on the turn, McMahon was "helping" Murphy, and the judges request McMahon's presence in the stand.

And right here Dick smeared mud all over the reputation of Murray's work for completeness.

Can you name his excuse?

Not in a million years!

He carried wide, gentle readers, because in his judgment it was the one way to avoid a collision!—at least so sayeth our advices from the scene.

A collision!

And the judges stood for it!

Honest!

And he himself leading the field!

As usual, one judge was for sustaining Shuler's protest, but the others did not believe the result of the race had been affected or that McMahon was guilty of helping.

Now whether or not Peter Scott was helped he most assuredly was not hurt, while Peter McCormick equally certainly did not have the same chance to win that would have been his had he not been carried out. He was second the first heat in 2:06½ and won the second, out in the clear, in 2:05½, so he most certainly "figured" as a possible, or rather probable, winner of the third heat, especially when it is taken into consideration that Peter Scott, from his position "in the hole," would under ordinary circumstances have been compelled to swing out to third position to get an open shoot for the wire.

But—where was the collision coming from?

A "rear ender" could come only from Mr. Murphy, who is not in the habit of deliberately driving over men and horses squarely in his path and moving at the rate of speed usually displayed at this portion of 2:05 to 2:08 miles.

A "side swipe" could have come only from Peter McCormick, and while it is a matter of record that Mr. Shuler has at one time and another indulged in a few rather wild drives, the probability of danger from that source could hardly be lessened by the course pursued by Mr. McMahon.

Whence came the danger of a collision?

We ourselves are unequal to the solving of the riddle, and submit it to the "strategy boards" among our readers. For the best set of plans and specifications we offer as a premium a one-time-a-day ticket to "September Morn" on the joy zone, good for a week. Write on one side of the paper only and enclose postage for return. Contestants must sign their names in full, though in case of the "September Morn" tickets being awarded to a married man we promise not to reveal his true identity in these columns.

Certainly not!

FAIR NUMBERS.

Both the American Horse Breeder and the Western Horseman have recently put out special midsummer "fair numbers," the Western Horseman's effort being especially pleasing. "Down east" the fairs are on the boom, and here in California, with more natural reasons for holding fairs and making them successful than in any state in the union, we are facing a summer with about four fairs in view, one with no horse racing and the others classes confined to county horses. A few years more of progressive legislation and we will not even have these. However, the deeper the valleys the higher the hills, and someday we will get out in the sunlight.

Stadium Matinee Is Highly Enjoyable

For the first time this season the Stadium in Golden Gate Park was the scene of a light harness matinee last Sunday afternoon, and though the sun steadfastly refused to shine and the breeze was cool and damp there was a nice crowd on hand to cheer the winners on their way. The footing over the three-quarter track is much better than that at the exposition grounds, and throughout the afternoon there was present more of the feeling of friendly sociability that should be manifest at a gentlemen's matinee than is usually in evidence at the P.-P. I. E. plant. Cups for the occasion were donated by various members and friends of the club, and the boys raced for them like they were worth a million apiece.

Aerolite Jr., purchased not long since from Frank Goularte by Richard Roberts, was the logical choice for the slow class of the day, and delivered the goods in straight heats, winning the first from Rosie O. by half a length, the pair having a sizable lead over the balance of the field. In the second heat Rosie O. led the field around the turn, out in second position, but Aerolite Jr. hung to the pole and assumed the lead before reaching the half, not being headed again. Marin, who was well back at the half, passed Hello Girl before reaching the three-quarters and was promising trouble for the leaders when he broke in the stretch under Kane's drive.

The troublesome Tom Murphy drew the pole in the 2:18 pace and went away in the lead with King Pointer right with him and Lady Listole a none too good third for a good portion of the mile, the balance of the field bunched in a second section until well into the stretch. It was a case of Murphy all the way, with Lady Listole making a game drive and snatching second from King Pointer. Murphy failed to get away so well next time, and the first turn past the stand was third to King Pointer and Lady Listole. Five horses were close together at the half, Murphy leading around the turn but failing to stand off the rush of Hamburg Belle and Emma M., the former coming from well back and winning with Emma's nose at her wheel. In the final heat Billy Malough's mare won by two lengths in a sturdy finish, but Hamburg Belle had one point the best of the summary.

The free-for-all pace was conceded to either Vera Hal or Dick W. from the start, Bradmont and Pointer Belle having been "promoted" for the day simply because there was no other class for them, and while the first mentioned pair had the best of the argument at all times neither of the others was disgraced by any means. Dick drew the pole and went to the front with Vera in the trail, Bradmont making about his first break of the season shortly after the word was given. Coming into the stretch Cohen took out for the drive and the pair raced head-on to the wire, the little mare winning by a scant neck in 2:10 flat, a rattling good mile for the day and track. Dick spoiled a couple of scores the next time out and Vera went away in the lead, with Ot following a bit back, going just that way into the stretch. Ot searched the Athadon gelding for what he had, but Vera was the best by a length in 2:09½, with Pointer Belle and Bradmont going their miles a shade better than 2:11.

Al Schwartz drove his second winner of the day in the free-for-all trot when he put over St. Patrick for Jimmy Ryan, the Irish horse having a mighty close run for the money from the Butchertown favorite, Birdeye, who lost the first heat owing to a break in front of the stand. In the second the roan boy kept to the trot and finished gamely, St. Patrick winning under a stiff drive by not over a head in 2:16.

Senator H. broke soon after getting the word in the last race, for 2:15 pacers, and it was Jack all the way, though Happy Dentist threatened for a few moments in the stretch. The old king pin was game and trying, but didn't square away good in the straps, "feeling 'em" quite a bit under the drive. The last heat provided the third eyelash finish of the afternoon, Senator H. coming through the stretch with a rush that carried him to the wire only a nose behind Jack, who stood McDonnell's drive in good shape and paced his best heat yet this season, a mile in 2:14.

That the day's program was raced off smoothly and without delay was due largely to Marshal Joe Vint and Starter J. J. Ryan, Joe getting the horses out and Jimmy sending them away without any delays in scoring. Seldom were more than two trials required to get every horse on his gait—something that the spectators appreciated greatly, and, incidentally, something that Jimmy's predecessors this season had a hard time doing. The summaries:

2:25 mixed, cup presented by Claremont Hotel:

Aerolite Jr.	(R. Roberts)	1	1
Rosie O.	(J. J. Ryan)	2	2
Marin	(P. F. Kane)	3	3
Hello Girl	(R. Kehoe)	4	4
Silver Logan	(Dan Healey)	5	dr

Time—2:20, 2:22½.

2:18 pace, cup presented by A. Ottinger:

Hamburg Belle	(J. Ginocchio)	4	1	2
Emma M.	(W. Malough)	5	2	1
Tom Murphy	(E. T. Ayres)	1	3	4
Lady Listole	(T. Doran)	2	5	3
King Pointer	(H. Campodonico)	3	4	6
Victor Pointer	(D. W. Keating)	6	6	5

Time—2:16, 2:15, 2:16¾.

Free-for-all pace, cup presented by Tom Finn:

Vera Hal	(H. Cohen)	1	1
Dick W.	(A. Ottinger)	2	2
Pointer Belle	(Kidd & Luce)	3	3
Bradmont	(G. J. Giannini)	4	4

Time—2:10, 2:09½.

Free-for-all trot, cup presented by Richard Roberts:

St. Patrick	(J. J. Ryan)	1	1
Birdeye	(A. Combatalade)	2	2
Muggins	(H. Cohen)	3	3

Time—2:17¼, 2:16.

2:15 pace, cup presented by Al Schwartz:

Jack	(McDonnell and Conlan)	1	1
Happy Dentist	(J. J. Ryan)	2	3
Senator H.	(Joe Kidd)	3	2

Time—2:15, 2:14.

THE 2:00 PREFORMERS.

Every season after the races have been brought to a close and the chill winds of winter make gossip an indoor substitute for the outdoor sport, we are wont to discuss the possibility of a new 2:00 performer making his or her appearance in the season that is to come. Those winter speculations are inclined to be too optimistic as regards the 2:00 proposition. I have won enough hats to supply a small haberdashery (if I had collected all of the wagers, but I didn't), betting that this and that season's crack wouldn't score in even time or better. It's the safest bet there is, take it from me, for the 2:00 stunt is something very extraordinary, even in these days when so many fast horses show up each year.

At the close of 1914, just three trotters were in the ultra honor class, Uhlan 1:58, Lou Dillon 1:58½ and Major Delmar 1:59¾. Eight pacers had reached the coveted goal, viz., Dan Patch 1:55¼, Directum I 1:58, Minor Heir 1:58½, Audubon Boy 1:59¼, Star Pointer 1:59¼, Frank Bogash, Jr. 1:59¼, Prince Alert 1:59½ and William 2:00. Just eleven in all out of these tens of thousands of horses that have raced, and from the great number that possessed better than 2:00 speed but could not carry it over the eight furlong route. In a gabfest anent horses, it's easy to predict 2:00 for your favorite; the words roll off the tongue with the greatest ease, but when the candidate gets out on the track for the tilt against the watch, how different the proposition is! Watch in hand and my heart full of hope, I have timed numerous 2:00 aspirants, but usually it seemed when they were finishing that the hands of the watch were speeding at an abnormal rate, whereas the horse appeared to be stepping slower and slower each stride.

Now I have decided that a race against the watch is the hardest of contests. Did you ever consider the excuses that are offered by drivers when their 2:00 candidates fail? No. 1 is that the driver of the pacemaker rated the mile badly; No. 2, that instead of remaining a trifle behind to the head of the stretch, the pace-making driver insisted upon keeping alongside, and as a consequence the horse pulled his head off and tired; No. 3, "I couldn't get anywhere near the pole, for it's soft down there"; No. 4, "I told him (the pacemaker) to take me over the half in 59½ seconds, and instead of that we were there in 1:00½," or, to switch the cut, the pacemaker went to the half faster than the instructions called for.

Be it the fairest, stillest day, excuse No. 5 is always pulled—"It may seem still enough up there in the grand stand where you are sitting, but let me tell you that there is a gale of wind blowing down the back stretch." No. 6, "I made a mistake in warming up my horse. He should have had a heat in 2:06 or better in order to open up his pipes." No. 7 is used when the time made is around 2:01: "What in the blazes do those timers mean? I got it in 1:59¾, and half a dozen of my friends that stood right under the wire had it in the same notch—robbers!" etc. But the one excuse that is always ready to be taken from the bag is No. 8: "I looked at my watch when we passed the three-quarters and saw that I was there in just 1:30. The horse was full of pace and was fighting for his head, when the runner grabbed him at the head of the stretch. But that blankety-blank sprinkler had flooded the track from the seven-eighths home, making a mud puddle right at the pole where he turned around and stopped to light his pipe or something. Well, when I struck that spot the horse slipped and I had to take him back quick to keep him from falling down." No. 9 refers to pads, and, like No. 4, is a double-barreled excuse. "I saw that the track was as hard as cement, and, like a d—d fool, I had the smith put on some pads. I should have known better, for pads always anchored the horse"; or, "knowing that the track was a little soft, I cut his pads out and he couldn't pace a lick. Just wait till next week. This bird will skylark a mile in 1:59 or I will say that I don't know a horse from a cow."

But leaving all these excuses aside, when you tackle 2:00 you are up against something that is not as soft as schmeerkase or custard pie. If it were possible to rate every quarter in 30 seconds, there would be many additions to the 2:00 list, but such rating is not within human possibilities. Any horse that accomplishes the thirty-mile an hour trick must have a lot of reserve for use in the stretch. In other words, if before reaching that critical point he had been asked to step even an eighth of a mile to his supreme limit, it's a cinch that it took enough out of him to make him finish tired near home, and thus lose. That old saying, "You cannot eat your cake and have it, too," is applicable in this case. Straining a horse in any part of the mile up to the stretch is like eating the cake. You may have a few crumbs left, but the cake itself has been devoured.

Returning to the winter gossip, you can bet that the admirers of the fast pacers of 1914 have picked their favorite and proclaimed with earnest vehemence that the steed will beat 2:00 this season. I have heard of half a dozen horses being so selected, and their backers were just as confident as if the stunt was as easy as rolling a barrel down hill. Among those named were Anna Bradford (3) 2:00¾, Earl Jr. 2:01½, Peter Stevens 2:02¼, Napoleon Direct 2:02¼, King Couchman 2:02½, Possibility 2:02¾, Leata J. 2:03, R. H. Breat 2:03¼, Billy M. 2:03¾ and Our Colonel 2:03¾. Each and every one of these pacers is a genuine speed merchant, and all have demonstrated their class in actual races, but if from the ten two 2:00 ones are produced, that is about all we could hope for or expect. From the group I would select four as having the best chance, Anna Bradford, Napoleon Direct, Peter Stevens and R. H. Breat. Perhaps this last selection will seem out of place, in view of the fact that Breat's record is only 2:03¼, while that of some of the others is faster. But be pleased to remember that Breat was only a four-year-old in 1914, also that it was his first season out, and that seasoning is always required to enable pacers to carry their clip. Breat is a strange horse, queerly gaited, wears a lot of boots and hobbles, isn't at all flashy as to gait, or a fancy gelding individually, but, oh my! how he can step! I was clocking him one day in a race and saw him suddenly slip past his field with Nick Grady sitting still as a mouse. I didn't suspect that the horse was stepping fast, for he seemed just loafing along, but when I split and looked at the time he had done the quarter in :29¼. Then I took another observation and Breat's easy means of locomotion again impressed me. Breat, too, has that other important essential, perfect tractability. He can be rated without the least difficulty, and takes just enough hold to steady him.

Anna Bradford will have to improve only slightly to do the trick, and I guess she could have turned it last fall had Tommy Murphy so elected. There was just one other pacing mare that was as oily as to gait as Anna, and that was Citation 2:01¼, but "Sadie" wore the straps. Anna has more action than the mare that Dick McMahon raced with such success, but as a piece of thoroughly balanced and finely adjusted pacing machinery, Anna, to my way of thinking, never had a rival among either sex. Should Napoleon Direct succeed, he will be the highest acting pacer to achieve such an honor. In 1914 he wore elbow boots and needed them, for he not only strides high in front, but has a peculiar back flip which carries his front feet to his elbows. Mr. Geers has stripped the boots off, but it's very likely that when the stallion is stepping at top clip they will have to be replaced. Napoleon's hind action reminds me of that of the Axtell family of trotters, the same elastic swing being noticeable. My first view of the horse was at North Randall just previous to last year's meeting. I sat with Murray Howe and a bunch of horsemen, and distinctly recall that I remarked that the stallion could never get anywhere with the way of going he had. The other men agreed with me, adding a few observations anent Napoleon that were not calculated to compliment him. But he fooled all of us, and I am willing to admit it and beg forgiveness. Mr. Geers had in Ess H. Kay 2:00¾ another boot wearing pacer. Ess H. Kay is by Direct Hal p. 2:04¼, while Napoleon is by Walter Direct p. 2:05¾, a son of that horse, so you see a lot of front action sometimes crops out in the Hal family. Napoleon Direct is not only a fast horse, but he evidenced his ability to go heats and race game. Like Anna Bradford and R. H. Breat, it was his initial season on the turf, and the same thing applies to all three. They are fresh and should improve materially, because of the seasoning and experience they have had.

Strange as it may seem, and in view of all the great trotters and pacers that he has trained and driven, Mr. Geers has yet to ride a mile in 2:00 or better. His nearest approach to it was with Ess H. Kay 2:00¾, and with The Harvester 2:01. It would seem deplorable if the Grand Old Man of the sulky failed at some time in his wonderful career to team one in 2:00 or better; but that contingency is scarcely possible in view of his vigor and ability. But the very fact that 2:00 honors have been denied the great horseman provides additional proof of how very difficult the task really is. I am confident that even time will be beaten frequently in ten years from now, when horses are better bred and speed has had that period of advancement.

The hardest stake pacer to beat in 1914 was Peter Stevens. When he started in his North Randall race, I thought he was a beaten horse after observing how much effort Walter Garrison had to make to land him winner of the first heat. But Peter grew stronger in the second and third rounds. Subsequently I observed that it was only Peter's way, and that he seemed to improve with each heat, pacing the final after the manner most horses do their opening heats.

When we come to consider the 2:00 proposition, we begin to realize and appreciate what a truly great horse Star Pointer 1:59¾, the pioneer, must have been. It was in 1895, or just twenty years ago, that he took his record, and with all the efforts of breeders and trainers towards speed production and development since that period, only seven other pacers have scored in 2:00 or better, and only five of these have equaled or lowered Star Pointer's record.

And speaking of Star Pointer's greatness, let us consider how great a trotter Uhlan 1:58 is, for his

record equals that of Directum I 1:58, despite the fact that pacing is recognized to be a far faster means of equine locomotion than is trotting. The trotting 2:09 performers number only three, Uhlan, Lou Dillon 1:58½ and Major Delmar 1:59¾, as against eight pacing performers. Of the pacers only two wore hobbles, viz., Frank Bogash Jr. 1:59¼ and Prince Alert 1:59½.

Just thirteen drivers have ridden officially credited miles in 2:00 or better, namely, H. C. Hersey and M. E. McHenry behind Dan Patch; H. C. Hersey and Charley Dean behind Minor Heir 1:59½; Ray Snedeker behind Directum I; Dave McClary behind Star Pointer; J. Y. Gatcomb, behind Audubon Boy 1:59¼; Tommy Murphy, behind Frank Bogash, Jr.; Mart Demarest, behind Prince Alert, and W. W. Marvin, behind William 2:00. So you see H. C. Hersey is the only man who can boast of having driven two horses in 2:00 or better.

Millard Sanders drove Lou Dillon to her record of 1:58½, and her owner, C. K. G. Billings, drove her a mile to wagon in 2:00. It was Alta McDonald who gave Major Delmar 1:59¾ his record, and to Charles Tanner is due the credit of driving Uhlan 1:58 to his world's record trotting mile.—Marque, Horse Review.

LAST CALL FOR VANCOUVER AND SPOKANE.

If you are going to the northwest with your stable and have not yet made your entries for the Vancouver Exhibition, August 13 to 21, and the Interstate Fair at Spokane, September 13 to 18, right now is the time to fill out your blanks and get them in the mail, as August first is the date set for the closing entries. At Vancouver there are seven events open to all comers, ranging in class from the free-for-alls to the 2:25 and 2:30, these purses aggregating $4,500, while for two- and three-year-olds bred and owned in the Pacific northwest there is another thousand dollars, four hundred for the babies and six hundred for the three-year-olds. Race and show horses have been allowed to pass to and from western Canada without restriction for some time, and Secretary Rolston advises us that on August second the embargo in force against livestock from certain states on account of the foot and mouth disease will be lifted, so that livestock exhibitors as well as campaigning horsemen will be enabled to join in the big doings at Vancouver without hindrance. The track there is in excellent shape and American visitors are sure of a hearty welcome and the best of treatment.

At Spokane, Secretary George P. Larsen will receive entries for 2:11, 2:15, 2:18 and 2:25 trotters and 2:11, 2:15 and 2:18 pacers, the purses being of a uniform value of $750. Races are on the three-heat plan, and horsemen may race on Monday at Walla Walla and start the same horse in the same class on Thursday at Spokane, and so on through three days at each city, the associations having joined forces in making special arrangements for the quick transportation of horses from Walla Walla to Spokane. The "interstate" is the one best bet of the inland empire country, and by patronizing it properly horsemen will pave the way for its continuance, with more events as well as larger purses.

Also bear in mind that on August 13 entries close at Salem, where the best meeting of the season west of the Rockies, barring, of course, the fall session at the P.-P. I. E., will take place September 27 to October 2.

WINNERS OF $500 OR OVER AT CLEVELAND.

TROTTERS

Peter Scott	$1285.00
Lou Jennings	1150.00
The Guide	900.00
Volga	810.00
Peter McCormick	785.00
Bondella	750.00
Lee Axworthy	750.00
Margaret Druien	720.00
Lettie Lee	675.00
Al Mack	675.00
Mirthful	587.50
Glenwood	585.00
Rusticoat	500.00
St. Frisco	

PACERS

Hal S.	$900.00
Napoleon Direct	750.00
Russell Boy	700.00
Single G.	675.00
Lelia Patchen	675.00
Bingen Pointer	675.00
Pat Carmody	675.00
Queen Abbess	630.00
Judge Ormonde	587.50
Major Ong	535.00

DRIVERS

Murphy	$5,772.50
Geers	3,340.00
Andrews	2,887.00
Cox	2,690.00
Snow	1,927.50
White	1,665.00
Murray	1,530.50
Brennan	1,420.00
Whitehead	1,312.50
Valentine	1,095.00
McDonald	1,076.50
V. Shuler	810.00
McDevitt	750.00
Gosnell	710.00
McDaniel	700.00
Purcell	587.50
M. Childs	527.50

California B., the Athasham gelding taken east by Charley DeRyder, topped the summary in the 2:27 trot at Malvern, Iowa, for Earl Beezley, the fastest time being 2:17¼.

Rain and Heavy Footing at Detroit

Last Day at Cleveland.

North Randall, O., July 23—The 2:03 pace here today served to enlighten a good many folks as to the why and wherefore of the falling through of the negotiations having for their object the coupling of Anna Bradford and Pop Geers for the hippodrome classes. Some few days since when the silent gentleman from the sunny south advanced as his reason for not welcoming Anna with open arms that he himself had a right likely free-for-all pacer in Napoleon Direct, there was some skepticism audibly expressed in many quarters—a skepticism that, by the way, is not much in evidence now. Down among the stables the darkey boys are having a song-session after the old campmeeting style, the burden of the leader's plaint being to the effect that "Marse Ed's sho' got one free-for-all paceh," to which the fervent response comes in chorus, "Now we know, niggah, dat am so," for Napoleon didn't do a thing today but pace Flower Direct, Earl Junior, Peter Stevens, Pickles and R. H. Breat into the ground with two sizzling miles in 2:02¾ and 2:03, the first heat being only a quarter of a second removed from Nap's former record of 2:02½ made last year at Columbus in the Hotel Hartman stake. Evidently Edward had a pretty good idea of what he was talking about, and he and the chestnut son of his old favorite seem mighty likely to figure in some of the free-for-alls unless hard luck interferes.

Walter Cox celebrated getaway day by making his only win of the week, but what a win it was! Margaret Druien, Joan, Star Winter, Rythmell and Newzell were the great quintette that appeared for the 2:05 trot, Hazel Laing being the only scratch from the original list of entrants. Closely pressed by Mike McDevitt and Captain Shaw's great trotter Joan, Cox and the daughter of Peter the Great went the first heat in 2:04¼, hanging up a new season's record for campaigners of her gait. In the second heat she equaled the mark of 2:05¼ set earlier in the week by Lee Axworthy, being kept close company by Star Winter, who had brought up the rear guard in the first mile.

Lou Jennings, heroine of the famous six-heat race at Youngstown on July 13 and winner of the 2:11 trot here on Wednesday of this week, scored her second win of the meeting in today's 2:13 class, not allowing a heat to get away from her. Ben Gregor trotted a nice race, consistently second at the wire in each heat, with Victor Star and F. A. L. the best of the balance of the field. The "shoestring" stable's daughter of Todd has trotted five winning heats this week for Martin Brennan in the average time of just faster than 2:07¾ and has a nice credit on the ledger.

Glenwood B. and Nap Lajoie scrapped out the 2:21 trot without doing any damage to the inner fortifications of the 2:10 list, the latter weakening after annexing the first heat and finishing third and seventh in the following ones, Helen Worthy and Director Russell taking his place as contenders. In the Fasig Sweepstakes for three-year-old trotters, carried over from yesterday on account of the rain, only two babies appeared, Rusticoat showing Native King the way to the wire in 2:10½ each heat, making the third clean win of the week for the Pastime Stable. The details:

North Randall, O., July 23.—2:21 trot, purse $1,200:
Glenwood B., b h by Ben Burns.....(Purcell) 2 1 1
Nap Lajoie, br g by Jack McKerron (Valentine) 1 3 7
Helen Worthy, b m by Barongale.....(Murphy) 3 2 5
Director Russell (Snedeker), Celia Dillon (Chandler). Col. Riser (Brennan), Loe Blossom (F. Childs), Coastess Mobel (Cox), Lettie Hall (Nolan), Zomidotte (Geers), Poinsetta (Murray) also started.
Time—2:10¼, 2:10½, 2:10¼.

The Fasig Sweepstakes, for 3-yr.-old trotters, value $750:
Rusticoat, ch c by Axworthy.....(Andrews) 1 1
Native Spirit, br f by Native King.....(Cox) 2 2
Time—2:10½, 2:10½.

2:03 pace, purse $1,500:
Napoleon Direct, ch h by Walter Direct....(Geers) 1 1
Flower Direct, b m by Direct's Star....(Whitehead) 2 2
Earl Jr., gr h by The Earl.....(Cox) 3 3
Peter Stevens (Snedeker), Pickles (Mott), R. H. Brett (Grady) also started.
Time—2:02¾, 2:03.

2:05 trot, purse $1,500:
Margaret Druien, b m by Peter the Great.....(Cox) 1 1
Joan, br m by Directum Spier.....(McDevitt) 2 5
Star Winter, b g by Ed Winter.....(McDonald) 5 2
Rythmell (Shank), Newzell (Andrews) also started.
Time—2:04¼, 2:05¼.

2:13 trot, purse $1,200:
Lou Jennings, br m by Todd.....(Brennan) 1 1 1
Ben Gregor, b g by Tommy Gregor..(Whitehead) 2 2 2
Victor Star, b g by Star Simmons....(Valentine) 3 5 3
F. A. L. (Gosnell), Lucy Van (Cox), Electric McKerron (Kane), Alice McGregor (McAllister), Great Isle (Murphy) also started.
Time—2:06¾, 2:07, 2:09½.

OPENING DAY AT DETROIT.

Detroit, Mich., July 26, 1915—Owing to recent rains that made the Blue Ribbon track heavy during a large portion of the afternoon, the record making time that was a feature of the opening day of the Grand Circuit last week at North Randall was not in evidence here today, but every race had one or more heats below 2:10 and the contests were good. Hazel Laing, piloted by Billy Andrews, took the opening event, the 2:08 trot, in straight heats, driven out in the first two by Bright Axworthy and in the last one by The Duchess. The roan mare improved as the race went on, but by the use of the point system was outside the money to Dago and Grand Marshall, neither of whom had a second to their credit.

Al Mack repeated his North Randall performance for Bud Murray in the 2:18 trot by straight-heating a field of thirteen trotters, St. Frisco trotting second to him in each heat for Pop Geers. Behind them there was a hot fight for the small money, a rank of 5-8-4 copping the third cut for Allerta, while fourth money was divided between Colonel Rizer and Willow Mack. Aconite, in the Hotel Griswold stake, hung up the fastest time of the day for Walter Cox, with Major Ong and Alta Wood hot on his trail.

The feature event of the day as a real contest was the 2:08 pace, in which Alonzo McDonald hit his stride and made the first win that has fallen to him since the close of the P.-P. I. E. meeting at San Francisco. Strange to say, too, Lon made his win today with the lass that was a rank disappointment on the far western trip, the bay Tennessee mare Margot Hal. Only three pacers came out when the bell rang, Margot, The Climax and Fred Russell, and for two heats The Climax looked like a winner, though closely driven out once by Fred Russell and again by Margot Hal, who was not on the best behavior in the world. In the third heat the little mare kept to a pace and went to the front at the half, to stay there to the wire. Fred Russell was a winner all the way in the fourth, Margot breaking in the stretch when she was nearly on even terms, and in the fifth The Climax set sail as though to clinch matters by a decisive win. He tired after passing the half however, and McDonald brought his mare home in the lead, having the best of the standing by one point. The summaries:

Detroit, Mich., July 26, 1915.

2:08 trot, purse $1,000:
Hazel Laing, ch m by John A. McKerron.....
.....(Andrews) 1 1 1
Bright Axworthy, b g by Axworthy....(Murphy) 2 2 4
Dago, b g by General Forrest.....(Grady) 5 3 3
Grand Marshall (Snow), The Duchess (McDonald), Baby Doll (Quinn) also started.
Time—2:09½, 2:09¾, 2:11.

2:18 trot, purse $1,000:
Al Mack, b h by McLintock.....(Murray) 1 1 1
St. Frisco, b h by San Francisco.....(Geers) 2 2 2
Allerta, ch m by Directum Kelley....(Snedeker) 5 8 4
*Colonel Rizer (Brennan), *Willow Mack (Ruff), Banker Bingen (Dempsey), Maggie Bond (Barrett), Princess Margrave (Hall), Emma Dillon (Nolan), Todd McGregor (Rodney), Lusitania (Marvin), Sara Douglas (Floyd), McMahon (McMahon) also started.
*Divided fourth money.
Time—2:11¼, 2:11, 2:09¼.

Hotel Griswold, 2:10 pace, purse $2,000:
Aconite, b h by Aquilin.....(Cox) 1 1 1
Major Ong, b g by Major Gantz.....(Murphy) 2 3 2
Alta Wood, gr m by Allanwood.....(Valentine) 3 2 3
Symbol Meath (McDonald), Hal Conners (Geers), Rella E. (McAllister), Ruby K. (Dempster) also started.
Time—2:09, 2:07½, 2:08¾.

2:08 pace, purse $1,000:
Margot Hal, b m by Argot Hal..(McDonald) 3 2 1 2 1
The Climax, bl h by Gov. D. R. Francis.....
.....(Brennan) 1 1 3 3 2
Fred Russell, b g by Little Frank (Hersey) 2 3 2 1 3
Time—2:11¾, 2:10, 2:09¼, 2:11¼, 2:15.

Second Day.

Tuesday, July 27—Indiana grabbed the big moneys in the pacing classic, the Chamber of Commerce stake for 2:07 pacers, here today, though it was by the grace of the point system of placing that second money went to a Hoosier reinsman. So far as the big end of the stake was concerned there was nothing to it but Single G., Curt Gosnell bringing the Barefoot pacer down in front of the bunch in one-two-three order. Outside of the winner, the real hero of the race and the victim of hard luck and the point system was the little western pacer Hal Boy, from Marvin Child's stable. Second in the first heat in 2:03½ and in the last in 2:05½, a break in the second caused him to finish eleventh, setting him to fourth money when the summary was cast up, both Rastus, never better than third, and Judge Ormond, once second, outranking him. The field of fourteen was the largest that ever started in the event, and while no records were broken the time was excellent. Russell Boy, the outsider who grabbed the Edwards at Cleveland, put on a performance that delayed the start of the race considerably and caused Geers to be put up in place of McDaniel, without much improvement resulting.

Billy Snow brought Leila Patchen down in front in the first heat of the 2:05 pace in 2:06, but the black mare got in trouble and finished fifth in the second whirl, Cox winning with Baron A. in very slow time. Leila came back on her good behavior, and put it over the Baron with a mile in 2:05 and another in 2:09. Lou Jennings maintained her reputation for reliability by winning the 2:13 trot in straight heats, with Victor Star and F. A. L. her nearest competitors. Only one heat of the 2:22 pace was raced, resulting in a pretty contest between Jean and Hedgewood Patchen. The pair alternated in the lead and the heat was in doubt until the last several yards, when the mare forged to the front and stayed there. The summary:

July 27—2:05 pace, purse $1,000:
Leila Patchen, bl m by Dan's Brother..(Snow) 1 5 1 1
Baron A., b h by Baron Medium.....(Cox) 2 1 2 2
The Assessor, ch g by Walter Direct(McMahon)3 3 3 3
Harry the Ghost (Hopkins), Strathstorm (Murray), Nutmoor (Majors) also started.
Time—2:06, 2:11½, 2:05, 2:09.

2:13 trot, purse $1,000:
Lou Jennings, b m by Todd.....(Brennan) 1 1 1
Victor Star, b g by Star Simmons....(Valentine) 4 2 3

F. A. L., b g by Anderson Wilkes.....(Gosnell) 3 3 5
Worthy Bingen (Murray), Electric McKerron (Kane), Blue Feather (Cox), Sadie S. (Murphy), Montferris (Mott), Roy Miller (Grady) also started.
Time—2:09, 2:08, 2:08¾.

Chamber of Commerce, 2:07 pace, $5,000:
Single G., b h by Anderson Wilkes.....(Gosnell) 1 1 1
Rastus, br g by Liberty Boy.....(McDonald) 5 3 3
Judge Ormonde, bl h by Ormonde....(Valentine) 8 2 4
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.....(M. Childs) 2 11 8
Camelia (Cox), Fred W. (Martin), Patrick M. (Stokes), Hal S. (Murphy), Russell Boy (McDaniel and Geers), Lustrous McKinney (Rodney), Alcy E. (Whitney), Miss Miriam (McMahon), Thistle Patch (Snow), Queen Abbess (White) also started.
Time—2:03½, 2:03¾, 2:05½.

2:22 pace, purse $1,000 (unfinished):
Jean, b m by Flosko.....(Murphy) 1
Hedgewood Patchen, ch g by Hedgewood Boy.....
.....(McDonald) 2
Marriott, b m by Frank Be Sure.....(Marvin) 3
Lady Aubrey (Snedeker), Grace Ongale (Squires), Hal Plex E. (Geers) also started.
Time—2:10¼.

Third Day.

Wednesday, July 28—A continuation of the unsettled weather conditions that made the track heavy when the races began Monday, and interfered with the completion of yesterday's program, put the Blue Ribbon plant out of commission today and the entire card, including the classic M. & M. and the unfinished 2:22 pace, was carried over. Thirteen starters were declared for the big trot.

Fourth Day.

Thursday, July 29.—While racing was resumed today the track was in very poor shape—sufficiently bad to cause owners of heavily staked trotters to refuse to take a chance of accident, with the result that the M. and M. was again carried over. Mudlarks were in their element, and not a heat was raced faster than 2:11.

Tommy Murphy had a good day by winning the 2:22 pace (unfinished on Tuesday) and the 2:15 pace, while in the other events he got a split on second and third money. Walter Cox and Clara Walker headed the summary in the 2:11 pace after a hard five-heat battle, and Guy Nella brought home the big end of the 2:10 trot for Ed Geers after dropping the first heat to Lulu Lumine. Weather conditions tonight are more promising, and it is thought that the M. and M. can be raced tomorrow over a fair track. The summary:

Detroit, Mich., July 29, 1915.
2:22 pace, purse $1,000 (first heat in Tuesday's report):
Jean, b m by Flosko.....(Murphy) 1 1
Hedgewood Patchen, ch g by Hedgewood Boy....
.....(McDonald) 2 3
Lady Aubrey, b m.....(Snedeker) 3 2
Grace Ongale (Squires), Marriott (Marvin), Hal Plex E. (Geers) also started.
Time—2:14¼, 2:14¼.

2:11 pace, purse $1,000:
Clara Walker, ch m by Earl Reaper..(Cox) 2 1 2 1 1
*Hal Connor, br h by Argot Hal....(Geers) 1 2 4 4 3
*Dustless McKinney, b h by McKinney....
.....(Murphy) 3 4 3 2 2
Rex Heart (Valentine), Present Queen (McAllister), Fleeta Dillon (Shuler) also started.
Time—2:11¼, 2:15, 2:12¼, 2:13, 2:15½.

2:15 pace, purse $1,000:
Peter Farren, b h by Peter the Great...(Murphy) 1 1 1
Bud Elliott, br g by Prodigal.....(Geers) 2 2 2
Little Director, br g by Late Director.(Valentine) 4 3 3
Willie Caffee (Snow), Rella E. (McAllister), Crescent Simmons (McMahon) also started.
Time—2:14½, 2:15, 2:14½.

2:10 trot, purse $1,000:
Guy Nella, b m by Guy Axworthy.....(Geers) 2 1 1 1
*Lulu Lumine, b m by Orator.....(Murphy) 1 2 3 4
*Lizzie Brown, b m by The Bondsman (Snow) 3 3 2 2
Laramie Lad (McDonald), Baby Doll (Quinn), Captain Cacada (McMahon), Fair Virginia (Cox) also started.
Time—2:12, 2:11, 2:12.
*Divide second and third money.

MALVERN, IOWA.

Malvern, Iowa, July 13—2:17 pace, purse $400:
Redwood, ch g by Aldenwood.....(Combs) 2 1 1 1
Happy Heart, br g by Lockheart...(McGowan 3 2 2 2
Kewanee Stockings, br h by Kewanee Riley...
.....(Welch) 4 3 3 4
Shady Lane, b m by Shade On.....(Nowatny) 5 6 5 3
Arkancello, 6-4-4-5; John B., b g by Bullet Jr. (Stevens), 1-5-ds.
Time—2:14¼, 2:15¼, 2:14¼, 2:16¼.

2:22 trot, purse $400:
The Empress, b m by Stillwell.....(Armstrong) 1 1 1
Roy T., b g by Guy Patenter.....(Johnson) 2 2 2
Jack Panic, bl g by William Panic.....(Beezley) 5 3 3
Deocy, ch g by Little Corporal.....(Thompson) 4 5 4
Harry Onslow, 3-4-8; Iva Thorne, 6-7-5; Hick, 7-6-6; Little Hunter, 8-8-7.
Time—2:17¼, 2:17¼, 2:15¼.

Three-year-old trot, purse $200:
Allie Watts, ch f by General Watts.....(Adman) 1 1
Forest Bingen, b c by Albingen.....(Forest) 2 2
Zoyle McKinney, b f by High Bond.....(Eaton) 4 3
Maggie Todd, b f by Sorrento Todd.....(Robinson) 3 4
Time—2:16¼, 2:19¼.

July 15—2:17 trot, purse $400:
Golden Rusk, ch g by Rusk.....(Chrisman) 1 1 1
Jack Panic, bl g by William Panic.....(Beezley) 4 3 2
Sampson Muscovite, ch h by Muscovite.(Johnson) 3 2 4
Sweetwood, b m by Nowood.....(Casey) 2 6 6
Allerton Heir, 9-4-3; Des Moines Belle, 8-5-5; Grand Chimes, 5-7-7; Deocy, 6-8-8; Arondo, 7-dis.; Directum Penn, 8-dr.
Time—2:17¼, 2:15¼, 2:15¼.

2:22 pace, purse $400:
Tip Top, ch g by Aldenwood.....(Combs) 5 1 1 1
Debently, b h by Directly.....(Rabb) 3 2 4 3
May Earl, b m by The Earl.....(Johnson) 1 5 5 5
Dan W., br g by Proctor.....(Worden) 2 3 7 6
Ludwig C., 6-7-2-4; Red Rose, 8-6-3-2; Rose Riley, 4-4-6-7; John B., 7-8-8-dr.; Peter Craig, dis.
Time—2:16¼, 2:15¼, 2:17¼, 2:16¼.

July 16—2:27 trot, purse $400:
California B., b g by Athasham.....(Beezley) 1 1 5 1
Fred R., b g by Mytolus.....(Combs) 5 2 1 2
Harry Onslow, b g by Onslow.....(Shields) 2 5 3 5
Ben Nutwood, ch g by Dick Nutwood..(Gowell) 4 3 2 5
Alexandria, 3-4-6-6; Sand Hill Pete, 7-6-4-7; Minnie Osten, 6-7-7-4; Hearty Bingen, 8-dis.; Little Hunter, 9-dis.
Time—2:19¼, 2:17¼, 2:19¼, 2:18¼.

2:11 pace, purse $400:
Dan Mac, b g by Legateer.....(Williams) 1 1 1
Hal J., br g by Hal B.....(Armstrong) 2 2 3
May Davis, ch m by Borado.....(Robbins) 3 3 5
Danica, b m by Potosi.....(Johnson) 5 4 2
Axcybetta, 4-5-4; Prince Arlington, 6-6-6; Charley C., 8-7-7; Red View, 7-8-8; Hal Patch, dis.
Time—2:09¼, 2:09¼, 2:09¼.

WEST POINT, NEBRASKA.

West Point, Neb., July 8—Three-year-old trot, $200:
Allie Watts, b f by General Watts.....(Edman) 1 1
Forest Bingen, b c by Albingen.....(Forrest) 2 2
*D. J. Burke, b g by The Corsair.....(Huber) 4 3
*Valentine Smoot, b c by Searchlight..(Eaglesfield) 3 4
Baron Holt, 5-5. (*Divided third and fourth money.)
Time—2:25¼, 2:24½.

2:24 trot, $400:
Pronto J., blk g by Strathway.....(Sebastian) 7 1 1 1
El Bell Maden, b m by Almaden D....(Ward) 2 2 3 5
Sosions, b h by Spokane.....(Dennis) 1 8 2 3
Charm King, b m by Norval King.....(Morton) 4 5 4 2
Billy Murray, 5-3-5-4; Dolly Dimple, 3-4-6-6; Ivan Thorn, 6-6-7-7.
Time—2:23½, 2:21½, 2:21¼, 2:18¼.

2:17 pace, $400:
Allator, b h by Installator.....(Stone) 4 1 3 2 2
Jenny Fitzsimmons, b m by Bob Fitzsimmons.....(Dennis) 6 5 1 1 1
Don Quixote, b g by Argus.....(Huber) 1 3 2 8 3
Johnny Mills, b g by Shade On.....(Cox) 2 2 5 4 6
Oro Vidmer, 7-6-4-3-4; Don W., 3-4-6-7-7; Fay Bernard, 5-7-7-5-5; Bill Curtis, 8-8-8-6-dr.
Time—2:15½, 2:14½, 2:15¼, 2:21½, 2:15¼.

July 9—2:12 pace, $400:
Shadeline, ch h by Shade On.....(Owens) 7 1 1 1
Axcybetta, ch g by Axcyone.....(Aulger) 1 3 4 5
M. T., b g by Conrod.....(Johnston) 5 4 3 2
Rustic Patenter, blk h by Rustic Wood..(Hair) 3 2 5 7
Cambridge Belle, 4-8-2-6; Joe Joe, 8-5-8-3; Shady Butterfly, 6-7-7-4; Danica, 2-6-6-dr.
Time—2:11¾, 2:12¼, 2:11¼, 2:12¾.

2:15 trot, $400:
Dr. Wayo, b h by Wilkhurst.....(Ward) 3 3 1 2 2
Lord Duke, b g by Jackdaw.....(Owens) 1 1 5 3 3
Merlo Mac, b m by McAdamson...(Ginger) 4 5 3 1 1
Tena G., ch m by Geo. W. McKinney....
.....(Sebastian) 5 4 2 4 4
Aubrey O., 2-2-4-5-ds.
Time—2:14¼, 2:14½, 2:16¾, 2:18¼, 2:18¾.

2:19 trot, $400:
Great Northern, b g by Wayland W.....(Ward) 1 1 1
The Corsair, br h by Walnut Hall.....(Huber) 3 4 3
Homer Allerton, b g by Drift Allerton....(Owens) 5 2 4
*John Emerson, br h by Reno's Baby.....(Stone) 2 5 5
*George Summers, b g by Major Vidmer (Ginger) 4 6 2
(*Divided fourth money.)
Time—2:17¾, 2:19¼, 2:17½.

July 10—2:22 pace, $400:
Vansickle, b h by Gambetta Wilkes (Smart) 3 10 1 1 1
Eva Direct, ch m by Lord Direct.....
.....(Ceiderburg) 4 3 2 2 2
Helen Chimes, br m by The Magnet.....
.....(Williamson) 1 1 4 4 4
Josie Knight, gr m by Twelfth Night.....
.....(Dennis) 2 2 3 5 3
Charline, 5-4-5-6-dr; Bessie Winfield, 6-5-6-7-dr; Frank Halloway, 9-6-7-3-dr; Reba R., 11-9-9-8-dr; Fire Alarm Jr., 10-7-dr; Lulu D., 7-11-ds; Ludwig C., ds.
Time—2:14½, 2:14¾, 2:13½, 2:16¾, 2:13½.

2:08 pace, $400:
College Gent, blk g by Ky. Patterson (Barnes) 2 1 1 1
Hal McKinney, b h by Hal B.....(Sebastian) 1 2 3 3
Columbia Fire, b g by Pactolus.....(Stantz) 3 3 2 2
Sir Lain, ro g by Earlain.....(Owens) 4 4 4 4
Time—2:09¼, 2:09¼, 2:11½, 2:11¾.

2:30 trot, $400:
Socions, b h by Spokane.....(Ward) 1 2 1 1
Great Ivan, ch m by Ivan the Great.....
.....(MacDermid) 3 1 2 2
Ida Etta, ch m by Jay McGregor....(Edman) 2 3 3 3
Charley Marrs, b h by Prince Charles.....
.....(Williamson) 4 4 4 4
Time—2:24¼, 2:22½, 2:21¼, 2:21½.

VICTOR VERILHAC DIES IN STOCKTON.

Secretary Luke Marisch of the San Francisco-California Driving Club was apprised by wire Wednesday morning of the death of Victor Verilhac of this city, the end coming at Stockton after Mr. Verilhac had been in poor health for some time. Mr. Marisch at once arranged for the removal of the body to this city, and funeral services were conducted Friday morning at ten o'clock from the undertaking establishment of Valente Marini Marais & Company on Green street.

Victor Verilhac was among the well known and popular members of the local amateur circles, good company, a good driver and a good sportsman, ready to back his opinion in generous sums and a cheerful loser when the other man was right. Prominent among the horses he handled was the chestnut pacer Little Dick, a good winner both in the matinees and on the circuit, Mr. Verilhac driving him to his record in 1910 at the Yolo County Fair at Woodland, his mile standing as the fastest of the meeting.

QUARANTINED CATTLE NOT TO BE SHIPPED INTO CALIFORNIA.

Dr. Chas. Keane, State Veterinarian of California, has taken the position that the Show Herd of dairy animals which was quarantined at Hawthorne Park, near Chicago, Illinois, will not be permitted to enter California for any purpose during 1915. While Dr. Keane feels that the quarantine would not have been raised on these cattle by the Department of Agriculture if there was any danger of them transmitting foot-and-mouth disease to other animals, the general impression prevails in most parts of the country, and especially among exhibitors who desire to show animals at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, that the International Dairy Show Cattle should not be permitted to be shown at San Francisco.

BENEFIT MATINEE AT SACRAMENTO.

It has been the custom of the members of the Sacramento Driving Club to give a matinee during each season at which admission is charged, the proceeds going to a most excellent cause, the furtherance of the good work being done by the Home of the Merciful Savior for Invalid Children. It is the popular event of the summer with Sacramentans who enjoy harness racing, and as a rule the amateur drivers from this city send up a number of their horses to join in the sport and help along the good cause.

This year will be no exception, and tomorrow afternoon at Agricultural Park the horsemen of the two cities will race for the benefit of the unfortunate little folks, and a large attendance is expected. The program for the day will consist of four races, to which the following entries have been made at this writing, it being possible that there may be some additions or changes before the races are called:

Free-for-all pace—Teddy Bear, Charley Silva; Dick W., A. Ottinger; Vera Hal, Harold Cohen; W. J. K., W. J. Kenney.

2:12 pace—Bondalean, Charley Silva; George Woodward, Harry Cowell; Bradmont, George Giannini.

Free-for-all trot—Columbia T., Charley Silva; Moko Hall, Frank Ruhstaller; Muggins, Harold Cohen; St. Patrick, Jimmy Ryan; John Mack, Harry Cowell; Birdeye, A. Combatalade.

2:15 pace—Jim Donnelly, Frank Wright; Colonel Mazuma, Dr. Weldon; J. C. Simpson, Frank Goularte; Victor Pointer, Dan Keating; King Pointer, H. Campodonico; Aerolite Jr., Richard Roberts; Senator H., Joe Kidd; Jack, McDonnell & Conlon.

Given a good day and track, the contests that should develop from these fields will surpass those of many professional meetings, and the day should be a most entertaining one. A number of local sport lovers in addition to those actively engaged in racing will be in attendance. Thanks to the co-operation extended by G. W. Luce, freight traffic manager of the S. P., in supporting the charitable enterprise, the local horses and all their "tack" will be transported to Sacramento and returned to this city at the company's expense, a courtesy appreciated highly both by the horsemen and by those who are to be the beneficiaries of the day.

SAVAGE, MINNESOTA.

Savage, Minn., July 17—The first record meeting of the season at the International 1:55 establishment was rained out last Saturday after two young trotters by Dan Patch had been given standard records, the second attempt of today being more successful, the day's activities placing Dan within one notch of the coveted century mark as a sire, while three former record holders made material reductions in the figures previously credited to them. One of the pleasing performances of the afternoon was that of George Gano under saddle, the champion of the Gambetta Wilkes family pacing within a second of the world's record held by Krüger for that gait and "hitch." George takes kindly to the new way of going, and the next attempt by him will in all probability witness the establishment of a new championship mark. The details:

Savage, Minn., July 17, 1915.
To beat 2:12 pacing, under saddle:
George Gano, b h by Gambetta Wilkes (Anderson) 2:13
To beat 2:29½ trotting:
Gay Patch, b m by Dan Patch.....(Anderson) 2:15¼
To beat 2:22½ pacing:
Wood Patch, g c by Dan Patch.....(Anderson) 2:13½
To beat 2:25¼ pacing:
Nutland Patch, bl c by Dan Patch.....(Anderson) 2:24¾
Phil Patch, b c by Dan Patch.....(Anderson) 2:23½
Berta Patch, b c by Dan Patch.....(Anderson) 2:23½
Lucia Patch, b f (2) by Dan Patch.....(Anderson) 2:25
Gano Boy, b c by George Gano..(Anderson) (Lost) 2:26
Fanny Heir, b f by Minor Heir (Anderson) (Lost) 2:27
To beat 2:20 trotting:
Dolly Deved, ch m by Directum.....(Hansen) 2:18
To beat 2:08¼ pacing:
Liberty Patch, b h by Dan Patch.....(Anderson) 2:07¾
July 10—To beat 2:30¼ trotting:
Bright Patch (3) b c by Dan Patch....(Anderson) 2:25¼
Ned Patch (3) b c by Dan Patch.....(Anderson) 2:26¼

TROTTING STALLIONS "SUBMARINED."

A New York dispatch of July 10 brings the information that through the torpedoing by a German submarine of the Guido, a vessel which was conveying the latest shipment of the Fasig-Tipton Company to Russia, the five American trotting bred stallions on board were lost. It will be recalled that some time ago the Fasig-Tipton Company announced the purchase of the following stallions for shipment to Russia: Redlac 2:07½, Ormonde 2:08¾, Lord Brussels 2:09½, Harry Dillon 2:10, and Donald McKay p. 2:07½. On June 12 they were shipped on the steamer Idaho.

It appears that the horses arrived safely at Hull, the destination of the vessel, and there were transferred to the Guido, and it was while on board the latter that they fell victims to the fearful invention which has been so frequently availed of during the progress of the European war. The sinking occurred off the coast of Scotland, so the dispatches say.

Fortunately the stallions were insured, so that the monetary loss occasioned through their deaths will not be great. It is reported that the foreigners have placed another order with the Fasig-Tipton Company to duplicate the shipment at as early a date as possible.—Western Horseman.

NOTES and NEWS

The M. & M. was rained out Wednesday.

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Kalamazoo next week—and may the weather man have mercy upon her!

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George Lowery went to Davenport last week, to be on hand when Spriggan and Dicto started.

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Dr. Burns, Jr., with his bum wing fired, is running out at the Simmocolon Stock Farm, Ypsilanti, Mich.

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J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, heralded some months since as a genuine "come back," has gone wrong again for Ed Geers.

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John P. Boileau, well known as an able official and a pleasant gentleman, will officiate as starter at the interstate fair at Spokane, September 13 to 18.

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R. C. H. 2:18, the Montana trotter that Marvin Childs made into a 2:10 caliber performer at Pleasanton last winter, has been a winner up north in the Walker stable.

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The Davenport meeting incurred the displeasure of the weather man this week and he has seriously interfered with Frank Kenney's big trotting revival there. The project deserved better luck.

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It's hard to dope 'em out these days. After Russell Boy's performance in the Edwards a wise observer predicted that he would probably prove troublesome in the Chamber of Commerce. He was, too—but only to the starter.

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As Napoleon Direct went away three lengths to the bad at Cleveland in that 2:02¾ mile and Pop Geers drove most of the way in "Chandler's Channel," the overland route, the chestnut pacer must have gone the route close to two minutes.

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College Gent and Hal McKinney gave the natives something to talk about down in Nebraska when each won a heat in 2:09¼, equaling the track record established last year by the homely but honest little pacing mare, Minnie Chimes. The Gent lasted best and won the race.

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Curley Brown, promoter of the running meeting at Havana, Cuba, last winter, has been spending a few days in his old familiar haunts on this coast, and talks glowingly of the way racing is coming back in the east. The Cubans took to it like a duck to water and the outlook at Havana is excellent.

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Jeremiah Broderick, an old time horseman who rubbed many of the early champion performers and who is now located at Hamaknapoko, Hawaiian Islands, has been visiting San Francisco in the interest of the Hawaiian Commercial and Sugar Company to purchase heavy mares. He returns next week with fourteen head.

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Secretary Harry Shepard has announced the complete program for the Grand Circuit meeting at Columbus, and a great one it is. Including the futurities to be raced there and the specials proposed a round hundred thousand will be raced for. The Columbus dates are September 20 to October 2, entries closing on September 7.

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With three fatal accidents in less than sixty days as a result of auto and motorcycle racing, it is probable that Agricultural Park at Sacramento has seen the last of that form of "sport." The track was built for horses and its activities in the future bid fair to be limited to the less hazardous and more enjoyable contests.

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Knight of Strathmore 2:03¾ won the free-for-all pace at Aurora, Ill., on July 16 in straight heats, pacing one mile in 2:07½, which is some rambling for a two-lap track at this season. Owing to the fact that Sam Hawley is on the shelf temporarily, crippled, Al Russell had the mount behind the Bleiler horse.

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Suldine, John W. Considine's candidate for the two-year-old trotting divisions of this year's Kentucky futurity and a number of other eastern fixtures for the age and gait, is working like a clock for Hunter Moody at Lexington. A recent mile in 2:14 was "pickings" for him, and it is pleasing to note that Carrietta's yearling and also the Prince Ansel youngsters are making steady progress.

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The gentlemanly conductor of the orchestra is courteously requested for another selection of the same brand as that rendered last week for Fresno and Hanford. The last word from Santa Rosa is to the effect that harness horse activities there will be confined to a matinee or so in September—and this is where Lou Dillon was born and where for years the greatest contests of the coast have been staged! "Sic transit gloria mundi"—translation furnished upon application to the Horse Review.

Marvin Childs needs a charm of some kind to aid him when the drawing for position starts. In the big stake here he was twelfth, and in the first heat of the Edwards he was assigned the same position. After finishing third in 2:04¾ he drew eleventh place and finished third again in 2:03¾, the long miles contributing very largely to his defeat.

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The Empress wore her winning clothes at Malvern, Iowa, and put over three straight for H. G. Armstrong in 2:17¼, 2:17¼ and 2:15¼, while Hal J. took second money to Dan Mack in the 2:11 pace. The track record before the race started was 2:09¾, but Hal J., May Davis and Danica didn't do a thing but make Dan Mack pace three heats in 2:09¼ to win.

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No local matinee tomorrow, as the fun folks will congregate at Sacramento to engage in the annual charity matinee. Parties going up from this city (and quite a number have signified their intention of making the trip) should arrange to check overcoats at the Oakland mole and make the change in underwear, going and coming, between Benicia and Suisun, as "the valley," thank you, waxes quite warm during the day.

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Ovieda 2:05, fastest of the get of Bob Fitzsimmons 2:07¼, contracted pneumonia while on the Nebraska circuit and died on July 7 at West Point, where Warren Dennis had his string entered. Ovieda was owned by Hamilton Brothers of Sugar City, Idaho, and her loss was a severe one as she was one of the best mares that has appeared in the northwest. Among her engagements were two races at the fall meeting at the exposition.

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August 11 is the date set for the annual celebration of the San Francisco butchers, the big doings being slated to take place at the exposition. A card of harness races, for which the exposition people have furnished the prizes, will be one of the features of the occasion, the races, while open to all local amateurs in good standing, being held under the auspices of the San Francisco-California Driving Club. W. J. Kenney will do the starting.

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Of the California-trained horses starting at Cleveland only two, Peter McCormick 2:05½ and The Proof 2:10¾, were heat winners, the former in the Ohio and Keefer & Spencer's trotter in the 2:17 trot. The machine paid a good dividend on the latter's winning heat, as two sharpshooters who bought $2 tickets on him straight pulled down $221.30 "per each," which is a pretty fair kind of profit. The lad went an "improving" race for Billy Andrews, finishing 8-4-1-2 in 2:13¼, 2:08¼, 2:10¾ and 2:12¼.

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L. L. Gilpin of Richfield, Utah, who purchased a number of California horses a little over a year ago, writes that Maud Jay C. (dam of the good trotter and speed sire Nearest McKinney 2:13¼) by Nearest 2:22 has foaled a fine filly by Mesa Grattan, a well bred son of Grattan 2:13 who through accident was never raced, though showing standard speed as a three-year-old with but little work. The lass is named in many of the colt classics and Mr. Gilpin has great hopes for her future.

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G. W. Davis of Vacaville is enthusiastic concerning the progress made by the Demonio fillies which he sent to Lou Mativia at Dixon this spring for their first training. The one out of Kitty Bellairs has been taken home to grow a bit more after having progressed by easy stages to a half in 1:07, with the last quarter in :32¼, but the one from May Norris, possessing a lot of speed and a bit of willfulness along with it, has been left for a course of lessons in the straps. Mativia is also handling for Mr. Davis the four-year-old gelding by Demonio out of Mamie Airlie by Prince Airlie (sire of the dams of Airlie Demonio 2:05½, Potrero Boy 2:08¼, etc.), and both owner and trainer are confident that he is the making of a very fast horse. All three were bred at Suisun Stock Farm.

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Single G. 2:03½, the Indiana bearcat in Curt Gosnell's stable, annexed the Chamber of Commerce at Detroit Tuesday in straight heats. Pop Geers carried off the choicest cut from the Tavern "Steak" and Tommy Murphy took the Ohio into camp. Last winter the Indiana teamster was given up for dead; not many weeks ago the silent man from Tennessee emerged from the hospital after having been compelled to undergo an operation; still more recently the wizard of Poughkeepsie was severely jolted by lightning. In the face of these things and viewed from this distance of some steen hundred miles from the field of battle, it would seem that the main cause of Hal Boy's misfortunes is that Marvin Childs is just naturally too blamed healthy. He ought to swallow a chew of "star," or adopt some such simple expedient in an effort to fall in line with the season's fashions for winners.

FROM THE OREGON STATE FAIR GROUNDS.

The track here has taken on considerable more activity the last few weeks, several new strings of horses having arrived. The track is heavy and no specially fast workouts are recorded. It is expected, with the work being done, that the track will be in the best of condition before fair time.

Billy Hogoboom is one of the recent comers, with the good horse Alerdau 2:09¼. He will be raced around the circuit.

Geo. Swisher arrived from Medford July 9. He has Grace N. p. 2:18, Hallie B. p. 2:24, St. Michaels p. 2:15, Robert Kenzie, green trotter by McAlzo, the star of his string; Oregonia, three-year-old trotter by Bonaday, and Nellie Mack, a green trotter by Unamack. All are performing like race horses.

J. R. Sawyer has Lena Patch, by Oregon Patch, and Hal Edna by Hal B. Like the others here they give much promise now.

Dr. A. G. Smith has Complete 2:17½, trotting, and Helen Hal, a green pacer by Hal B., that looks extra good.

Ed Keyt's two horses, Wild Girl 2:18½, and Edith M., a green trotter by R. Ambush, are still working well.

Sam Bush has Sallie H., green, by Hal Norte, and Don Diablo, green, by Bonaday, both showing promise of speed, and he is jogging Ben Greco, another good Bonaday.

J. B. Stetson is still working very satisfactorily the C. A. Harrison string, Tosora (3) 2:26½, Bonniquee, two-year-old pacer by Count Boni; Hal Regent, two-year-old pacer by Hal B.; Maggie Ansel, yearling filly by Prince Ansel, and Kinney Benton, two-year-old by True Kinney. Besides these Stetson has Novella 2:29¼, and Bon Cupid, a four-year-old trotter by Bonaday.

Alex Grant is still here with Francis J., that has made a season here. He has given the horse a few good workouts and declares he was never more fit to race than right now. Wm. Howell, the banker and sheepman of Boise, Ida., who is well known as a horse fancier, last week purchased from C. A. Harrison the yearling standard bred trotting stallion, Kinney Benton, by True Kinney (2), dam by Prince Ansel (3) 2:20¼. Kinney Benton is a handsome colt and a very promising trotter.

J. B. Stetson has recently purchased the classy trotting mare Novella 2:29¼, by Letrado (3) 2:25, son of Alcone, dam by Alaska, a Larabee-bred mare. Rev. H. C. Stover, who is a true lover of the sport of harness racing and knows a good horse, owned the mare, but could not well race her himself, and Stetson feels that he has secured a great prospect. Stetson has sold his Expedition stallion, Excellency, and D. Misner, one of the leading garage and auto men of Salem, is now owner, which is certainly a good omen. We have seen horsemen getting autos for so long, it is good to see things go the other way once in a while.—Rural Spirit.

BABIES TROT FAST AT LEXINGTON.

Georgetown, Ky., July 17—The past week was the first one providing training weather at the Lexington track for the past month, and the trainers took advantage of the fact and stepped their charges along some pretty brisk miles. The two-year-olds were pretty busy and some lively miles were stepped off during the week, the youngsters lowering the season's record more than once during the time. The fastest mile recorded was that of the bay colt, Suldine (1) 2:24¾, that H. C. Moody stepped with him in 2:14. The youngster was taken away very fast, reaching the half in 1:05½, with the second quarter in :32¼. At this point his driver, noticing that the pace was too fast, took him back and he jogged the next quarter in 35½ seconds, then brushing home in 33 seconds, making the mile in 2:14. The next best mile was that of the black colt in the stable of Gene Bowerman and owned by A. M. Spottswood, a well known lumberman of this city. The colt trotted a mile in 2:16 earlier in the week, while this morning he brushed a quarter in 32 seconds and an eighth in 15¼ seconds. Hermione B. (2) 2:18, the fast Morgan Axworthy filly in the stable of Mike Bowerman, trotted a mile in 2:21 with the last half in 1:05.

Possibly no work of the week attracted more attention than did that of the yearlings in the stables of Wick Curry and H. C. Moody. The youngsters in the Curry barn were all by J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08 (three in number), and were worked in the afternoon when there were not many people on the rail, but the report of their performances soon spread. Mary Magowan, a bay filly out of Irene Wiggins, by Wiggins 2:19½, trotted a mile in 2:30, last quarter in 35 seconds. Emma Magowan, a sister to U. Forbes, trotted in 2:30½, and a brown colt out of Mendosa Worthy (4) 2:17¾ trotted in 2:34½. Each of these youngsters is now ready to enter the list as soon as they are asked, which will probably be at the next breeders' meeting.

Moody worked the brown filly by Morgan Axworthy, dam by Wiggins, a half in 1:13, which was done handily. She is the property of Moody and Hart Bros., of Flemingsburg, who bred her. Anselila, a bay filly by Prince Ansel out of Ila Moko, trotted a mile in 2:35, last quarter in 35 seconds. Verbena Ansel, out of Verbena Mack, by Directum Spier 2:11¼, trotted a mile in 2:35, last quarter in 34¾ seconds. Senator O'Brien, by Peter the Great 2:07¼, out of Carietta 2:18 (dam of Suldine, Silent Brigade (2) 2:14¾, Hester C. (1) 2:21¾, etc.), trotted a half in 1:13¼, and a quarter in 35 seconds.

Roy Miller dropped some of the members of his stable down the past week. Thorn Worthy and Baby McKinney were worked a mile in company in 2:14¾, last quarter in :32¼. Roya McKinney repeated two miles in 2:14¼ and 2:14; the two-year-olds, Olivia Worthy, in 2:22¾, and Ashland Worthy in 2:18—Western Horseman.

At the Home of The Harvester 2:01

There was a day when the breeding farms of California were famed around the world, and when the stories concerning them and their produce made interesting reading in countless journals, both class and general in scope. With the changing years the large farms of the Golden Slope have passed from realities to mere memories, and only in certain sections of the east are plants maintained for the production of the trotter that compare in any way with the older establishments of California. Newest and in many ways most interesting of the eastern farms is Curles Neck, Virginia, where in an auspicious natural setting, enhanced by every man-made accessory imaginable, Mr. C. K. G. Billings has established the home of those great champions, The Harvester 2:01 and Lou Dillon 1:58½, with many worthy lesser lights of the trotting world to keep them company. We have had numerous accounts of Curles Neck and its horses, but none more comprehensive and more interesting throughout than the following from the pen of a correspondent of the New York Herald, to whose columns our indebtedness is acknowledged, with thanks:

Curles Neck, the home of the fastest trotting stallion and the fastest trotting mare in the world, is one of the many picturesque and interesting plantations which lie along the James River in Virginia. When C. K. G. Billings purchased this five thousand acre farm for breeding trotters some of his New York friends who had established their studs in the famed blue grass region of Kentucky thought it a great mistake to send The Harvester 2:01, Lou Dillon 1:58½ and other celebrated horses to Virginia, where comparatively few great trotters or runners are nowadays raised. It is not certain that Mr. Billings, before he bought the place, weighed very carefully the question as to whether he could raise more trotters or faster ones in Kentucky than in Virginia. Those who know him best are inclined to the belief that other considerations turned the scales in favor of the Old Dominion.

Walnut Hall, Elmendorf and Castleton are splendid farms, and there are many more in the beautiful country about Lexington, but with all their silvery streams of running water that ripple and murmur over beds of limestone on their way to join the Ohio you cannot run a seagoing vessel like the Vanadis, drawing fourteen feet of water, up to your front door at any one of these Kentucky places, as you can at Curles Neck. And that is something in favor of the James River location to a man who can go aboard his yacht off Fort Washington, in the Hudson, or at Oyster Bay, in the Sound, and the next day land at his own dock on his Virginia Farm.

A Sportsman's Paradise.

Then, again, it is not likely that the owner of any stud farm in Kentucky can shoot on his own place deer, wild turkeys, swans, geese, canvas backs and mallards, not to mention quail, snipe, teal and such like smaller game. Mr. Billings' Virginia estate is something more than stud farm. It is a veritable sportsman's paradise. In the great horseshoe bend of the broad, majestic river which almost makes an island of Curles Neck, wild creatures of every kind find a safe retreat, except in the shooting season, and the fields and forests and marshes are overrun with them.

Viewed from the topmost portico of the modern Colonial brick dwelling house which stands on a low bluff close beside the James, the scenery all about is of rare beauty and absorbing historical interest. Off to the west, directly across the stream, the country stretches away for miles in the wooded neck formed by the serpentine course of the James and the Appomattox rivers, where General "Ben" Butler, in his memorable attempt to operate against Richmond from the South, while Grant was hammering away at the North, got his army hemmed in by General Beauregard, or "bottled up," as was said of him at the time. What a wonderful scene the now placid James must have presented on that May day in 1864, when Butler's army of 40,000 men, afloat on its surface in a motley array of screw and sidewheel steamers, canal boats, schooners, tugs, ferryboats and barges, came crawling up the stream from Fortress Monroe to land at Bermuda Hundred, just around the bend from Curles Neck!

War Time Memories.

Toward the south one sees above the distant treetops down the river, far beyond the duck marshes, a cluster of belching smokestacks, where a city of 17,000 inhabitants has in the last few months sprung into existence as if by magic around Grant's old military house, at City Point, to manufacture munitions for the greater war than that of fifty years ago. When the visitor turns to the east and north he sees, scarcely two miles away, the rugged outline of Malvern Hill, with its dark green foliage as a background for the intervening multi-colored fields of waving and ripening grain.

Through the farm, in the middle distance, runs the Newmarket road, or river road, and half a mile beyond is the Long Bridge road, which marks the northern boundary of the plantation. It was over these roads that a large part of General Lee's army marched to strike the retreating columns of McClellan when he made his last stand at Malvern Hill, near the close of the fruitless Peninsular campaign in June, 1862. And it was here the Confederate troops were shelled and driven back "half a mile below the upper gate at Curles Neck" by federal gunboats lying in the river near the point where Mr. Billings and his friends now shoot ducks. Up the river road, on the night of June 14, 1862, General J. E. B. Stuart led his twelve hundred dashing Confederate cavalrymen after their brilliant raid entirely around McClellan's powerful army. And down the same highway intrepid Phil Sheridan, afterward president of the Washington Park Jockey Club, rode in command of the two divisions of federal cavalry which crossed the James River near the farm line on the night of July 26, 1864, and fought a running engagement all the way east to the foot of Malvern Hill. Though fifty years and more have gone by the ploughshares frequently turn up the bones or accoutrements of some Union soldier who may have fallen that morning. Twice this happened in tilling the fields last spring.

The Original Race Horse Region.

But let us get back to our horses; for Curles Neck and the country round about are as rich in traditions of the turf as in those of war. In the days when Virginia cavaliers, with their broad domains and their long retinues of servants and slaves, lived like the barons of England, this was the original race horse region of America. Before the first white man had penetrated to the wilds of Kentucky the wealthy planters along both banks of the James River were raising fast horses and racing them for money, tobacco and plate. The court records of Henrico county, in which Curles Neck is located, disclose three trials growing out of horse races in the year 1677, with Thomas Jefferson, Jr., the grandfather of President Jefferson, and Benjamin Harrison, the ancestor of two other presidents, among the witnesses or litigants. There were regular meetings, with races open to all, as early as 1739, and perhaps much earlier. The climate and soil of the peninsula seem to have contributed to the production of fleet, stout runners, and the ascendancy of Virginia on the turf was for many years undisputed, nor was it wholly lost until shortly before the civil war.

To one of the great plantations along the James, which one is now unknown, there came in 1730 a stallion called Bulle Rock, said to be the first English race horse brought to America. It is possible, of course, that others came before him, but if so the antiquarians have never found a trace of them in all their patient searching of early Colonial newspapers and court records. Bulle Rock is reported to have been a son of the Darley Arabian, progenitor of Eclipse and so many of the great race horses of the present day.

Sons of Godolphin Arabian.

Buffcoat, a dun stallion by the Godolphin Arabian, that other great progenitor of modern thoroughbreds, died in Virginia in 1757, according to all the stud books.

Lofty, another son of the Dodolphin horse, stood at the stables of Thomas Goode, across the river from Curles Neck, in 1762. Crab, a grandson of the Alcock Arabian, came over from England in 1746. Selim, a son of the celebrated Othello, or Black-and-All-Black, was there in 1752, and was owned by Mr. Goode, a prominent breeder and turfman of that period. Monkey, by Lord Lonsdale's Bay Arabian, landed at Brandon, twenty miles down the river from Curles Neck, in 1747, Nathaniel Harrison having imported him when he was twenty-two years old.

Colonel Daingerfield, perhaps the ancestor of Colonel Foxhall A. Daingerfield, the great horse breeder who managed Castleton so many years for James R. Keene, brought the bay stallion Gift, by Cadormus, into Kent county, across the Chickahominy from Curles Neck, at a little later period. Brabaham, a noted grandson of the Godolphin Arabian, and Starling, by the Belsize Arabian, were imported prior to 1766 by Captain William Evans, who lived in Surrey county, on the other side of the James. Almost opposite him, on the peninsula, lived William Lightfoot, of Sandy Point, who imported nearly a dozen well bred stallions, beginning with Bolton in 1759 and including Saltram, by Eclipse, Hambletonian, Jack Andrews, Oscar and Precipitate, all noted sires in that early day.

The Randolphs at Curles.

Local tradition has it that Curles Neck was once the property and home of the original American rebel, Nathaniel Bacon, who organized Virginia democracy against the landed aristocracy and burned Jamestown over the dead of arrogant old Governor Berkeley and the royalists in 1676. But the Neck was very soon after this date owned by Richard Randolph, son of Colonel William Randolph, of Yorkshire, England, who settled at Turkey Island, adjoining Curles, and died there in 1711. Richard Randolph of Curles, as he called himself, married a direct descendant of the Indian princess Pocahontas. He was the grandfather of John Randolph, of Roanoke, celebrated as horseman and statesman.

In a cornfield on the Turkey Island estate not more than one hundred yards across the line from Curles there is still to be seen the fresh walled family burying ground of these early Randolphs, but the granite slabs which cover the ancient graves are so matted over with vines and weeds that all the names are hidden save those of Isham Randolph and his wife, Elizabeth, who have slept there since 1742.

The will of Richard Randolph, which was extant when Hugh Garland wrote his life of John Randolph, in 1851, disposed of 40,000 acres of the choicest lands along the James, the Appomattox and the Roanoke rivers.

Paid $1,000,000 for Improvements.

Curles—the neck was omitted in Randolph days—came into the possession of, the late Charles H. Senff, of the American Sugar Refining Company, in 1892, sadly run down after the ravages and neglect of the civil war period and succeeding years. Mr. Senff was a chemist, interested in scientific agriculture, and he expended $1,000,000 or more on the historic seat of the Randolphs to demonstrate what he knew about farming. For three hundred miles of underdraining he paid almost $300,000. That was one item. Then to enrich the soil of the 3,000 acres under cultivation he shipped barge loads of stable manure from New York, Baltimore and Washington direct to the dock at Curles until he had put $105,000 worth of fertilizer back upon the land. That was another little item. The construction of eighteen miles of good roads was another. Buildings enough to make a very fair village were put up, these including a modern mill and grain elevator, as well as barns for hundreds of cattle and horses, and cottages for a small army of farm hands and other laborers.

Mr. Billings Reorganizes.

After he had thus improved the place Mr. Senff began to stock it with cattle. Nearly a thousand acres were seeded to alfalfa and blue grass, and it was his intention to increase this acreage until all the available lands were utilized and then raise beef for export direct from the Curles dock to Europe.

When Mr. Senff died, about three years ago, Mr. Billings bought the splendid estate as it stood, stock and all, for something like $350,000. He has remodeled and refurnished the dwelling house in sumptuous style, carried the dock to deep water, built new barns for his trotters, constructed a perfectly appointed mile track and made many other improvements befitting the home of a trio of two-minute trotters, and, let us hope, of many future two-minute trotters.

The new owner of Curles has reorganized the farm and is now breeding trotters for pleasure and for the market. He intends to sell every colt as a yearling by auction in New York, after the fashion of the breeders of race horses. The first crop was marketed last winter, and Mr. Billings had the satisfaction of seeing them bring higher average prices than any lot of like age offered under the hammer in many years.

In reorganizing his forces Mr. Billings engaged Ed A. Tipton to manage the breeding enterprise and J. E. Colenso, a graduate of the Wisconsin Agricultural College, to manage the farming operations. Mr. Tipton is too well known to need a certificate of efficiency further than to say he had charge of Marcus Daly's famous stud of trotters and runners when that lamented breeder and sportsman was sending futurity winners from Montana to sweep the Eastern race tracks. One of the first things Mr. Tipton did at Curles was to make Thad Logan, of Uhlan fame, his superintendent, and then get his old right bower, trusty Larry Murphy, to look after the brood mares, as he had done twenty years before at Mr. Daly's Bitter Root Ranch. "Dutch" Busch, who is just as efficient with stallions as Murphy is with mares, has charge of The Harvester and Bion.

Russian and American Trotters.

Bion is a pure Orloff stallion that Mr. Billings bought in Moscow on his last trip to Russia with Uhlan, Lou Dillon and The Harvester. He had trotted in 2:12 on a half-mile track and was regarded as one of the representative horses of the breed. When we stepped into his box on the day our little company had gone down from New York to see the farm and the horses, and Busch called the docile gray fellow away from his feed without laying a hand on him to pose for inspection, the writer's first thought was, after taking in at a glance the superb lines and proportions of the stallion:—"What a pity our breeders have not established a type as distinct and as perfect as the Russian in building up the American trotter of today!"

Bion has all the character of his Arab ancestors about the head and neck and more of it again in his high set tail and elegance of form at the croup. He is a horse of abundant size, bone and substance, and as you look him over you try in vain to think of any work short of heavy draught that he could not do. Mr. Billings is keeping this grand horse for public service, free to all Virginia farmers who care to send their mares to him.

In the adjoining box we renewed acquaintance with the stallion that Mr. Billings is breeding all his

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WOOD DUCK NEARLY EXTINCT.

[By Harold C. Bryant.]

The wood duck is the most beautiful of all our ducks. Its only near competitor in this respect is a close relative, the mandarin duck of Asia. But even the brilliancy of coloration in this species is superseded by that of the wood duck. Formerly the wood duck was to be found through the low country west of the Sierras. At the present time it is but a rare local resident of the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys and westward to the coast. It has always been rare in Southern California, where favorable conditions are lacking. A specimen taken at Ramona, San Diego county, furnishes the southernmost record. The wood duck frequents timber-bordered streams and fresh-water sloughs, especially in the oak belt. It can not be considered a distinctly migratory species, for in most instances it is permanently resident within the State. Occasionally a slight migration toward the north in April and to the south in October is noticeable.

The crest and bright coloration of the wood duck is so conspicuous that the bird is usually recognizable at sight. The pure white under parts and the crested head crossed by white stripes are striking characteristics in the male. The female, although lacking the bright coloration to be found in the male, displays more metallic colors than do females of other species of ducks, and in addition is to be recognized by the white eye-ring which extends back of the eye as a white streak.

Wood ducks seldom stray far from the secluded wooded streams and sloughs which constitute their habitat. Occasionally one may be started from the ground in an oak forest or from the limb of a tree overhanging a stream. But more often they are seen swimming in some secluded slow moving creek or river. This bird is one of the few ducks to select a hole in a tree for a nesting site. Usually the nest is built above the water and from fifteen to fifty feet above the ground. Quite often the nest itself, which is composed largely of debris from the cavity and lined with down, is placed several feet below the entrance to the hole. The hollow end of a broken off branch is frequently selected, as is also the deserted hole of a red-shafted nicker or other woodpecker. A large number of eggs, usually ten to fifteen, are laid. The wood duck returns to the same nesting site year after year. Unlike most ducks the male is usually to be found in the near vicinity of the nest and he apparently stands guard while the female is incubating. The young either tumble out of the nest, or, as some observers have asserted, are carried to the water one by one in the bill of the mother.

The wood duck is noted for the swiftness and grace of its flight. The bird is very much at home in a thick growth of trees and it flies about among the branches with apparent ease.

As a rule the wood duck feeds upon aquatic insects and plants found along the stream where it makes its home. But in addition, the bird often forages about the woods in search of other food. They have been seen feeding in corn and wheat fields and still more often on acorns. The stomach of several examined have contained large quantities of acorns.

The flesh of the wood duck is said to be delicious, and for many years certain hunters preferred to hunt this duck to the exclusion of all others. Our only hope of making use of this bird as food lies in artificial propagation. The bird is readily domesticated and there is no good reason why it can not be raised in captivity and sold on the market. At present there is a brisk demand from breeders and pleasure parks for it.

Some of the early writers state that the wood duck was very common in California in their day. In many places in the State, as, for instance, in Marin and Sonoma counties, wood ducks were to be found in numbers previous to 1889. There have been no reports of the occurrence of this species in many of the same localities in recent years. Individuals are occasionally reported as having been seen along the Sacramento river and in the vicinity of Gridley, Butte county; but further than this, and an occasional one reported by a collector or market hunter, the species is now almost unknown. During the season 1895 to 1896 there were sold on the markets of San Francisco and Los Angeles 440 wood ducks. During the season of 1910 and 1911 but six of these ducks were sold on the markets of San Francisco, and during the following winter not more than two or three.

It can be seen, therefore, that the wood duck, although formerly very abundant in California, is now nearly extinct. Most of the eastern States have protected this species for several years, and fortunately the federal migratory bird law now gives this duck total protection in this State. It is to be hoped that this legislation has come in time to save this most beautiful species.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

A MORNING ON THE BIG SULPHUR.

The norhern boundary of the great extent of territory on the northwest coast of America, that was once held and ruled over by a Czar of all the Russias, is a beautiful, winding, willow-fringed stream, which flows in a great right angle northwest, down past rolling hills and through fertile valleys to the broad Pacific, where it slips over a wide sandy bar into the foaming, pounding surf. This stream has received its name from its old associations, and now every winter it is up the Russian river that the great fish go when the early heavy rains have swollen all the tributary streams, and the river itself has become yards deep where it rushes to the sea.

When the swirling, sweeping rain-storms drive across the bare fields and broad vineyards; when the leaden clouds hang for days along the higher ridges, and every little gully holds its tumbling torrent; when the requiem of the æolian pines is not quite all sadness but has a promise of something in it that is not of death, but of its opposite; then it is that the great steelhead trout from he sea, the five, ten, and fifteen-pound fish, make their way up the flooded Russian river, far up to where its tributaries tumble their foaming way down from the hills. Then bravely up these lesser streams, battered and bruised in angry waters by hidden rocks, braving a myriad of dangers from natural and unnatural enemies, do the great trout swim, obeying a prompting that comes from they know not whither; unconsciously living their lives as they are given them to live, and losing their life-spark in the shallows if need be, that their kind may continue to exist.

On a road that skirts the deep canyon of one of these smaller streams was I, one fine fresh April morning in the years gone past—an hour before the sun could be expected over the hills, and only four miles to go in the little bobbing cart before we should come to the great milky pools where the curling, foam-flecked eddies softly unfold over the gravelly beds where lie the "salmon." We were going fishing on Big Sulphur Creek—not angling for the little eight-inch fish that are the pride of a summer creel, but for the heavy fighters that would soon be making their way back whence they came.

As we drove up a little hill and to the very brink of the precipice of the Blue Slide, a long series of pools came into view that looked deep and mysterious and promising, in the half-light between the abrupt walls, a hundred and fifty feet below us. My companion noted the waters. "Just right," he said, "just milky enough so that they can't see us." And then not another word, except to the horse, for the remainder of the drive.

When we arrived at the spot that I had seen in my day dreams for weeks, we quickly hooked up our tackle, got out the fresh pressed roe (for be it known that he who caught these big fish regularly caught them with their own freshly deposited ova, or not at all), and scrambled down the hillside, over the new lush grass, to the pools.

I chose for my first attempt a wide, deep pool at the foot of some hundreds of feet of white tumbling rapids, reasoning that here some of the fish making the long up-stream journey would linger awhile and rest. And my reasoning proved correct, for on the second cast, as my bait was slowly drifting along the pebbly bottom, sending little quivers up the line, it stopped as if caught on a rock—and there was no rock there. With a quick twist I firmly planted the hook and then put as much strain on my rod as its six ounces would stand. Slowly the fish started, making its way up the pool, remaining out of sight in four or five feet of murky water, while the taut line trembled in the current.

Up, up the pool he went, clear to the foot of the foaming rapids, while I grudgingly allowed him line. And then he turned, and with a steadiness that seemed to betoken a mind decided, he went swinging with the current. I now thought that truly the fish was lost, for once in the roaring rapids below, weight and current would be too much for my light tackle. But the strain of the little bamboo told, for the great trout slowly turned and swam back into deeper water. Here he remained almost motionless, moving only a foot or so either way, and when repeated twitchings of the line roused him he only made his way under a large boulder, in about six feet of water, and sulked. Ten minutes had elapsed, and at this rate it would have been an hour before he was creeled, so desperate measures were resorted to.

First, small pebbles, and when these were of no avail, larger stones, were thrown into the pool. All failed to start the fish, and it was not till a long alder pole was brought into play, and after much jabbing around the bottom, that the "salmon" moved. And then a quick slackening of the line gave almost too little notice of what was happening as up came the huge bulk, clearing the surface and twisting back in the air toward the line. The trick failed, and the fish struck the water with a resounding slap. Twice the great trout did this and then started wildly rushing 'round the glimmering pool. The death struggle was on! How my arms ached holding the little split bamboo almost double, and how the taut line buzzed in the current!

The fish made the wild circuit of the pool a half a dozen times, and then settled into the current. But his strength was leaving him. No longer he held against the strain of the rod, but came to the surface slowly, shaking his head fiercely from time to time. No longer could he resist the steady, unrelenting pressure, and after a twenty-five minute battle the fish fish, an eight and one-half pound male, was brought to gaff.

The second fish was hooked in a smaller pool some two hundred yards below the point of the first encounter. It was a small, five-pound male, and felt the gaff after a ten-minutes' struggle. This fish was hooked in the roof of the mouth, and was thereby greatly handicapped in its attempt to escape, being literally drowned.

In another large pool, still farther down the stream, two fine fish were hooked and lost, one played for five minutes before freeing itself. (Was there ever an angler's tale without the big fish lost?)

I now made a wise decision and proceeded back, over the rocks, upstream, to a pool in which we had not yet cast bait. Here, after two unsuccessful tries, I hooked the prize fish of the day; one that took the bait while moving, cleared the water a dozen times in its efforts to free the hook, sulked for ten minutes, and put the poor little rod under such a strain that the tip used that day has not yet become straight. After fifty-two minutes of fighting, this fish was landed and turned out to be a female weighing fourteen and one-quarter pounds. In all my memories of fishing, the one of this catch, I believe, will be as the bright, full moon 'mid the stars of a calm, clear night.

Two more of the royal fish, taken further up the stream at the head of the series of pools, and three that my companion had taken, along with the first three caught by myself, composed our morning's catch. We had sixty pounds in all, and as we drove back to lunch down the winding canyon of the Big Sulphur, I turned over in my mind the events of the morning, how this fish leaped and how that one sulked, that I might carry memories back with me to the smoky rim; so that in the days to come, when memories of a necessity must allay the attacks of angler's fever, I might live over in fancy that outing on the rocky stream with the big steelhead.

THE DEER SEASON.

Tomorrow will no doubt be observed by an army of buck hunters who will be out in the hills of Marin, Sonoma, Alameda and Santa Clara counties, for under the fist of county supervisors the deer season had been set back until August 1.

Deer hunters have not brought into this city many bucks during the past fortnight. Reports from Marin county are that bucks are numerous and does almost a nuisance.

The "sooners" have been busy to quite an extent in that county, so it is reported. The custom is, when a deer has been poached, to dress and cut up the carcass immediately and then get the meat in town concealed in sacking.

Sonoma county sportsmen anticipate a good hunting season. Although the bucks were temporarily immune from rifle bullets in Sonoma, there is no closed season on knife and fork attacks on juicy venison steaks. Captain Virgil Butte was host in Santa Rosa to the following-named guests: Hugo Hadrich, Bob Welch, C. A. Dorcas, Capp Collins, Tom Hutchinson, Harry Wise, Charles Higgins, A. R. Whiffler, Gene Bailey, Jack Dalton of Fresno, Charles Goss, Bert McKissick of Reno, Ben Hall, Frank Bane of Eureka, Cecil Burroughs, Ernest Rogers, Frank May, Roy Smith of San Francisco, John Purcell, Bill Dixon, Charles Bane, F. H. Davis and Neil Hitt. The star feature of the menu was a huge buck Butts bagged in Mendocino county.

Prospects for Alameda county deer stalkers are apparently good. Stockmen and others who have recently been over the Livermore range report plenty of deer, but few fawns. A bunch of ten deer was seen one day. The scarcity of fawns this season is attributed to the raids of coyotes.

Good deer hunting is reported in the vicinity of Fouts Springs. Master Howard Nauman shot a fine three-pointer in that section recently. Near the Alley ranch in Lake county four bucks were secured by an automobile party consisting of Dr. and Mrs. Isaac Burke of this city, Joseph King of Oakland, W. A. Gordon and Miss Winnie Gordon of Fulton.

Deer hunters down Salinas way are having fairly good luck in bagging stag bucks. "Duke" Hargous gathered in a 132-pound stag. Dr. and Mrs. F. C. Thurbell and Ernest Thurber returned with a buck that weighed 155 pounds, killed in the Gabilan range. Bear valley hunters have also been successful. Near Emmet Jack Johnson and C. J. Smith got a fine forked horn that dressed 125 pounds. George Bonnei and Al Bryant bagged their bucks near San Felipe. Claude McHenry and Irving Wilson dropped a 125-pound buck near Cienega.

Frank Maskey states that deer are numerous near Bartlett Springs. In the Bass lake region, Madera county, bucks are also said to be numerous.

Rev. C. Todd Clark of Santa Rosa and party bagged four fat bucks in the hills back of Lower Lake, Lake county, a section said to be well stocked with deer. Laury Adams' fine four pointer was killed near the Pile ranch in Mendocino county.

A Halfmoon Bay gun club hunting party, composed of Mark Iverson, Fred Simmons, Andy Gilchrist, G. Cutler, Fred Campbell, worked over the San Mateo hills last Sunday morning without results in a heretofore favorite ground. Iverson had the only chance offered the party, a big four-pointer that dodged the bullet sent after it.

Santa Cruz deer hunters have been getting a few bucks in the Mill creek "chalks" region. Dan R. Trout, James Maddock, H. Hartman, Lewis Fogarty and Fred Canham enjoyed a successful hunt in that region. Maddock, who is a veteran deer hunter, dropped a buck about 400 yards away.

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Sacramento hunters have been getting dove limits in the valley sections this season. The birds probably come down from the hills to a warmer district. G. M. Elliott, Charles Simpson and S. F. Eberhardt bagged limits near Lincoln.

Doves are reported to be plentiful in San Joaquin and Butte counties. The season will not open in Yolo county until September 1.

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION NOTES.

Rifle shooting is having a great boom in the country just at the present time, interest undoubtedly having been considerably aroused in target shooting owing to the almost universal demand for a better state of preparation for the country's defense. Not only the regular services but the civilians at large and students of colleges and schools are taking considerable interest in rifle training and local, inter-State and national tournaments will be numerous during the next three months.

As a result of this present agitation and state of mind, all the States are taking increased interest in the big national shooting event to be run off by the Government at Jacksonville, Fla., in October. Maryland and Pennsylvania are the only States in the Union which have positively declined to give their National Guard the benefit of training a team for these matches. Three other States are doubtful, but are making every effort to overcome the difficulties so that they can be represented. They are California, Washington, and Virginia. The U. S. Navy has also declined to send a team notwithstanding the navy representatives have made splendid records in past years in the competition. For the first time, these matches have been thrown open to teams of cadets from military schools and colleges.

Never before has the Government been so generous in its efforts to make this great shooting tournament a success, the last Congress having appropriated $50,000 towards assiting the States in paying transportation charges of their teams to Florida and while there, the enlisted men will be allowed cammuted ration of $1.50 a day. The range in Florida is a new one, second only in size to the Camp Perry range and second to the famous Sea Girt range in its natural beauty. Adjutant General Foster of Florida and his aides have spent years of labor in perfecting and beautifying this range which is located on the St. Johns river, twelve miles from Jacksonville.

The interest of civilians throughout the country is shown by the organization of Government rifle clubs in almost every State in the Union, as well as in Porto Rico, Alaska, Hawaii, and the Canal Zone. In the last six months over 200 clubs have been organized and this number could have been more than doubled if the Government had been able to offer range facilities to the many clubs applying for charters. To these clubs there have been issued by the Ordnance Department of the Army since the first of the year 806 Krag rifles and 550,150 rounds of ammunition.

To test the efficiency of these club members with the military rifle, a national competition was organized and a trophy presented by the War Department which represents the championship of the United States among civilian Government rifle clubs. In this competition 26 of the most progressive of these clubs have entered teams and the competition is now going on under the supervision of Army and National Guard officers, each club being represented by ten men shooting a course of firing the same as is followed by the National Guard in their record shooting. It is expected that the scores made in this competition will equal if not excel those that Uncle Eam's soldiers will make later in the Jacksonville matches.

The National Rifle Association of America, with offices in Washington, D. C., has begun a campaign for 100,000 members at $2 each, the receipts from same to constitute a fund for the express purpose of putting rifle shooting in this country on a plane with other sports such as baseball, football, etc., especial attention being given to the installation of indoor ranges in schools and colleges, Y. M. C. A. buildings, and practically wherever sports of any kind are encouraged. It is claimed that every new member will mean a qualified marks man and from a patriotic standpoint the plans of the National Rifle Association commend themselves to all citizens who believe that we need a better state of preparation in this country. The plans of the Association have the endorsement of the highest officials of the War Department.

Interest in rifle shooting will be stimulated at the camps of instruction for students now being held at Plattsburg Barracks, N. Y., Presidio of San Francisco, Cal., Ludington, Mich., and Chickamauga, Ga., by the donation of trophies and medals by the National Rifle Association of America for team and individual records.

GRAND AMERICAN HANDICAP.

Trapshooters the country over are taking considerable interest in the Grand American Handicap that will be held at Chicago, August 16 to 20, inclusive. From present indications there will be an entry list of 750 amateurs and fifty or more professionals.

Every day of the five there will be an event that alone would make the meet notable. A summary of the programme includes the following: Introductory Shoot, National Amateur (single target) Championship; National Amateur (double target) Championship; Preliminary Handicap, Grand American Handicap, and the Consolation Handicap.

The best shots from forty odd States will be among the contestants for the National Amateur Championship.

Just where the grounds are located and an intimation of hotel accommodations, etc., nearby, can be inferred by glancing over the cut shown on page 12.

It is requested that entries for the Grand American Handicap be made in ample time to permit the sending of receipt, and for it to reach the maker of entry prior to his departure for Chicago. All entries must be accompanied by the maker's full name and address. When making an entry by mail, remittances covering the amount of forfeit ($5) should be made by bank check, draft, post office money order, or express money order, or registered letter.

Admittance to the shooting grounds will be free to every one during the entire tournament. Excellent lunches a-la-carte, at reasonable prices, will be served daily at the Restaurant Tent.

The Chicago Association of Trapshooters will provide a large tent containing lockers, with individual locks, and a separate locker will be assigned to each entrant desiring one. Lockers will be rented to those who desire them at one dollar for the week's shooting. Each applicant will be required to deposit two dallars, of which amount one dollar will be refunded on return of the key when through with the locker. Lockers can be reserved in advance by writing E. B. Shogren, Secretary, 1052 Otis Building, Chicago. The locker tent will be in charge of a competent watchman, but as contestants will have free access to this tent at all times, they will be responsible for their own belongings. Neither the Interstate Association nor the Chicago Association of Trapshooters will be responsible for the contents of lockers under any circumstances.

Guns, ammunition, etc., may be shipped by express prepaid to E. B. Shogren, Secretary, care of Lincoln Warehouse & Van Company, 4259 Drexel Boulevard, Chicago, and they will be carefully cared for and delivered to the shooting grounds free of charge. All such shipments must be prepaid, and have owner's name and address marked on the outside of the box. Shipments on which the charges have not been prepaid will positively not be accepted.

A plentiful supply of Remington-UMC., Winchester, Peters, United States and Western Cartridge Company shells, loaded with the different brands of powder, in standard loads, will be for sale on the grounds.

Regular entries for the Grand American Handicap must be made on or before Saturday, August 7. Entries mailed in envelopes bearing postmarks dated August 7 will be accepted as regular entries. All entries must be made on application blanks, and they will be received by Elmer E. Shaner, Treasurer, the Interstate Association, 210 Coltart Avenue, Pittsburg, Pa.

PACIFIC INDIANS.

[Special Report by Westfield.]

The Pacific Indians held their eighth annual tournament and pow-wow at Tacoma on July 19-22 inclusive, with a record attendance and some of the best shooting was done that the trap shooting annals of the Pacific Coast record.

The tourney was held on the beautiful range of the Tacoma Gun Club, at Manitou Grove, than which a prettier location may not be found in all the wide West. President Hal Sullivan and Secretary Carl Coon, with Capt. Jack Cooper as Field Captain, had everything in perfect shape for the big event; the comfort of the guests was looked after in every detail, and as a result it was the universal comment that a pleasanter shoot has never been held in the State. Charlie Dickendorf and Ralph Wilson had charge of the office, while Capt. D. W. Fleet and Frank Riehl, as President and Secretary of the Indians, looked after the general welfare of all.

We again followed the plan of giving many fine trophies and minimizing the money end of the game. Purses were eliminated, and the only money involved was forty cash average prizes to the total of $600, which was hung up on the high gun plan for general average purses, first money being $50 and lowest $6.

There were ten sets of sterling silver spoons given to ten high places each day, no one contestant to win more than one prize. Also, a long run trophy each day, two low prizes daily and a sterling trophy daily for lady shooters. Finally, the three Indian average prizes, and a half a dozen fine special trophies. Altogether there were fifty-one trophies shot for which became the property of the winners; and these, with the daily ties to be shot off, kept up a degree of interest and good-fellowship such as the writer never witnessed in any mere money tournament—and he has seen many.

One new feature worth mentioning and that seems to have justified itself, is what we may call "The Indian Handicap." Under this plan we created t handicap distances to govern contests for spec trophies. Those who shot under 88 in previous p gram events stood at 16 yards; those averaging 88 93 stood at 19 yards; those over 93 stood at 21 yar The point of this is that every man made his ov handicap and there was no possibility of any diss isfaction with the work of any handicapping co mittee. Another year we will modify this, wi handicaps as follows: under 88, 16 yards; 88 to 18 yards; 92 to 95, 20 yards; over 95, 22 yards. worked out beautifully with us, and was ordered be followed in future.

Considering the conditions of business, the atten ance was better than expected, and gave us a ne record. We had 81 men on the firing line throug the week, and about 70 shot each day's events.

White Flyer targets were used, thrown from thre automatic traps, and the general shooting averag was of a very high degree of excellence, with a nun ber of perfect squad scores, and many honor runs from 50 to 136 straight.

On practice day, Geo. Stacy, of Yakima, Leste Reid and Frank Riehl tied high score with 98x10 for the Davis sterling cup. Reid won on shoot-of and donated the cup back to the Indians for anothe shoot, Indian Handicap.

The first day Frank Troeh was high with 11 while Les Reid, H. Poston, F. and A. Riehl, tied fo second with 116. On this day's specials Stacy wo the Davis trophy, and the annual contest for th Pacific Indians' diamond badge, symbolic of triba championship, went to Frank Riehl on a score o 69 x 70.

The second day Ed Ellis was the star performer losing but one target on the program, and also captur ing the long run of the day. In the specials Frank Troeh won both the Hart sterling trophy and the Davis special cup, shooting for both from 21 yards.

The third and final day's program honors went t Mrs. Ad. Topperwein, who missed but one target of the 160 booked. In the specials the Everding handi-cap trophy was won by Troeh, while the three Indian class trophies went to Troeh, Garrison and F. Campbell.

For the general tournament average on the total of 400 targets there were four ties—L. H. Reid of Seattle, P. J. Holohan of Portland, Mrs. Ad. Topperwein of San Antonio and Frank Riehl of Tacoma, each of whom lost twelve targets only. Frank Troeh took second place and fifth money with 386, and Geo. Hambright third with 383, the Pacific Indians making no distinction as to amateurs or representatives. Segregating the classes, the professional honors went first to Reid, Holohan, Mrs. Topperwein and F. Riehl; second to Hambright and third to D. Rhodes, with a total of 375. Amateur first, Frank Troeh; second, Abner Blair and W. A. Hillis; third, C. E. McKelvey, E. E. Ellis and A. A. Riehl.

Notes.

This program was shot at a total cost of $20 entrance fee to Indians and non-Indians alike, including all trophies and average moneys; for $12 total shooting for trophies only and for $4 per day to shooters entering for one day only; this, of course, not including the ties and special events, entry for which was optional.

Altogether the meet was so satisfactory that no bid for next year's meeting place was entertained other than that of the Tacoma Gun Club, and it was unanimously voted to hold the ninth annual gathering in the City of Destiny.

The tribe is in splendid shape and elected twelve new braves: W. B. Taft and R. W. Kinser, Seattle; E. H. Keller and Al Stroger, Portland; A. C. O'Conner, Spokane; Dave Kayles, U. Uubrey, A. Z. Smith, V. V. Eisenbeis, F. Campbell and A. Riehl, Tacoma, and M. A. Rickard, Corvallis, Ore.

The officers who will handle the affairs of the organization for the next year are: H. R. Everding of Portland, Tyee; C. E. McKelvey of Seattle and J. G. Weatherwax of Aberdeen, first and second vice Tyees; F. C. Riehl, Herald-Custodian.

It is said of Mrs. Topperwein that she "almost fainted" on being handed the $42.50 as her share of first average. She explained this by saying it had been so long since the word "professional" did not bar her from getting real money out of a shoot, that she hardly knew how to act.

Ted Doremus of DuPont fame was one of our honored and much appreciated guests, and was awarded a trophy as the guest who came the longest distance to our shoot.

The Indians have adopted an "Honor Roll" of past members and boosters, and press representatives who "take notice" of our work.

The Tacoma newspapers were especially courteous to us in this meet, and the Portland Oregonian went so far as to send a special representative to report the shoot from the grounds.

The "Old Timer" event—black powder shells—pulled off as a surprise on the afternoon of the third day, was one of the big hits of the meet, with Fred Sumner, Bill Hillis, Ed Morris and Frank Riehl, en costume, as star performers.

Even with ninety-odd prizes awarded, some of the best shots went home minus a trophy, which is the old, old story—and the fascination of every shooting match.

Next year everything will be bigger and better still.

The score sheets forwarded with the above account of the shoot were incomplete, we hope to make amends next week.

AT THE TRAPS.

Return Shoot—The Alhambra Gun Club of Martinez defeated the Big Time Gun Club shooters of Sacramento Sunday in a 100-bird shoot when they smashed 1,233 blue rocks to the Capitol City gunners' 151. Some good scores were made, and as the winners only shot 82 more birds than the losers the result of the outcome was always in doubt.

Odbert and Higgins were the high men for Sacramento. Higgins is a professional. He made 89, while Odbert scored 88 broken birds. For the Alhambra team E. Hoelle and A. G. Wilkes each broke 92. Barney Worthen was a close second, with C. H. Knight and A. G. Flickinger each scoring 91.

At noon the Schenk ranch, where the blue rock range of the Big Timers is located, was turned into about as toothsome a site as one would want to see. A large tent had been pitched and a big dove stew and roast pig dinner awaited the hungry hunters.

Each team consisted of fifteen men. As the Alhambra clug only had twelve shooters with them who wished to compete, three Sacramento men, W. Faust, J. Gusto and W. Ogg shot with them.

Following are the scores for the team shoot; each man shot at 100 birds in 25 bird sections:

Alhambra Club—					
F. K. Burnham	22	22	21	25—	90
C. H. Knight	22	21	23	25—	91
E. Hoelle	19	24	25	24—	92
B. Worthen	21	25	22	23—	91
A. G. Wilkes	24	25	22	22—	92
A. G. Flickinger	24	20	24	23—	91
Roy Avery	23	22	22	23—	90
Tom Wilkes	20	20	21	23—	84
Dr. Merrithew	22	23	21	19—	85
W. Veale	21	19	15	17—	72
Col. Dorsey	19	20	22	18—	79
C. A. Haight	21	18	21	20—	80
W. Ogg	19	21	18	17—	76
J. Gusto	16	14	22	12—	64
W. Faust	16	15	14	11—	56
Total					1,233

Big Time Club—					
Gorman	19	15	19	19—	72
F. M. Newbert	20	22	20	24—	86
Ilgner	19	18	21	21—	72
Patterson	15	15	24	22—	76
F. Ruhstaller	19	9	10	13—	51
M. Newbert	22	20	20	24—	86
M. O. Feudner	17	20	22	20—	79
D. Ruhstaller	20	22	20	21—	83
Higgins	23	24	20	22—	89
Odbert	22	23	22	21—	88
Brennan	19	22	21	18—	80
Stoner	20	14	17	18—	69
Tuttle	21	17	15	16—	69
Jost	17	22	20	23—	82
Neo. Newbert	14	13	21	14—	62
Total					1,151

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Interstate Shoot.—The West Alameda trap ground has been put in proper shape for the California-Nevada three day tournament next week—August 5, 6, 7. Indications point to a large attendance of shooters from the bay counties sections, the San Joaquin valley and a delegation from the southern end of the State.

AFTER DARK SHOOTING WITH 28-GAUGE GUNS.

When Fred Teeple announced that he was going to put up a place on the pier at Venice, where those who chose could shoot flying targets at night, many took the statement with a grain of salt. Now that he has made good and his range is an accomplished fact, we all say, "Well done," and when we learn that in two months he threw over one hundred thousand targets we repeat, "Very well done."

It stands to reason that any sport, or game, that demands the light of day can only afford enjoyment to a limited number of people, because so many cannot spare broad daylight—working hours, in other words, whereas the great mass of people can much more easily devote evenings in the pursuit of their favorite recreation, whatever that may be.

So it has come about that Teeple's place at the end of the pier is crowded; in fact, the only valid criticism comes from those who would shoot but can't, at least as much as they would like, owing to the restricted space which allows only five to compete at one time.

There has been, and still is, to some extent, a belief among many sportsmen that any gun of narrower gauge than the standard 12 is a mere toy, so the practical illustration that Teeple is giving the public of what can be done with 20-gauge double shotguns, is certainly a move in the right direction, for it is educating sportsmen by proving to them that small bores are thoroughly practical and efficient guns when properly loaded and handled.

Possibly with the view of subduing the noise as much as possible, Teeple selected 20-gauge guns, Parkers, and furthermore as the loads used are factory loads, Selby's such as one may buy in any gun store, the object lesson given on his range cannot fail to be instructive.

The writer, however, having used a much smaller gun than a 20 on game, i. e., a 28-gauge, conceived the idea of having some of his friends, good shots of course, make the experiment; so on the night of July the 17th at 9:30 p. m., the following scores were made with these small bores, and when it is known that barring Doctor Fitzgerald none of the others had ever seen the guns used before, the performance is all the more remarkable.

Scores made with 28-gauge Parkers, Selby loads, DuPont Powder:

Targets—	25	25	25	25	100
M. Pfirrmann	19	22	21	21	83
F. Mellus	21	22	21	21	85
Guy Holohan	19	21	24	23	87
Dr. Fitzgerald	23	23	23	21	90
					345

From the above it will be seen that 345 targets out of 400 shot at were scored. Not only that, but fully 90% of the broken ones were pulverized; in fact, so very few were chipped that the guns and loads were pronounced perfect by shooters and spectators alike. None of the guns used are best adapted to anything but game shooting, as all are too much bent in the stock, yet these men, shooting at regulation targets and angles, barring the rise which was 10 instead of 16 yards, scored 86.2%.

The writer is firmly of the opinion that the same squad can easily reach 90% or better with 28-gauge guns made to fit them under precisely the same conditions, and good back as Teeple's range and and illumination are it stands to reason that a greater percentage could be made in daylight, as the following scores will show:

Daylight shooting with 20 bore guns: H. Pfirrman 98x100, Ralph Arnold 98x100, F. H. Mellus 95x100, Miss A. Wheeler 92x100.

Long runs, daylight shooting: Ralph Arnold 61 straight; E. L. Hedderly 52, H. Pfirrmann 46, Guy Holohan 44.

Night shooting: F. H. Mellus 96x100, H. Pfirrmann 94x100, Miss A. Wheeler 48x100.

Long runs at night: F. H. Mellus, 71 straight; A. Cosby 49, H. D. Bates 44.

To form an accurate estimate of the arrangement of the trap management and lighting effect, one must actually see the place in action, and it will certainly repay any one interested in trap shooting, while in Los Angeles, to run out to the Venice pier and judge for himself—being assured beforehand of fair treatment and possibly some education along the twenty-bore double gun line.

FISH LINES.

The California Anglers' Association semi-monthly whist party Wednesday evening last was attended by a large gathering of rodsters and their friends. The card evenings are extremely popular.

Late reports from the trout streams and mounutain lakes are of such enthusiastic import as to hurry anglers away on outing trips and cause the stay-at-home contingent spasms of envy. In Yosemite valley, the sport has improved in the Merced river and its branches. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Paddon recently found good fly fishing conditions in Merced river.

For two weeks past anglers at Dunsmuir, Le Moine, Sims, Castella and other upper Sacramento river points, have enjoyed splendid fly fishing. John Filmer, fishing near Sims, landed twenty-one trout one evening. This catch was a limit of ten pounds and one fish. The English royal coachman fly was the best killing lure.

Roscoe Havens and other local rodsters have also been getting the best of angling sport. John Wagoner intimated what is possible near Dunsmuir in the shape of boxes of trout expressed daily to city friends. How long the clear water fishing conditions will endure is a question, for that annual nuisance, the bottom moss, is to be seen floating in some stretches of the river.

The Truckee region seems to be in first-class condition, particularly so near Boca, where the local representation of Waltonians is a large one.

The Little Truckee has produced limit creels recently to every rod in commission. Round about Lake Tahoe the sport is said to be at its best, which report has taken G. B. Miller and family away for a three weeks' outing. Wynan Van Zandt's experience at Independence lake was a pleasing fishing trip. Donner and Webber lake trout fishing is also reported to be just what is desired. Among the late visitors to the San Francisco Fly Casting Club's lodge on the Truckee, near Union Mills, were Carlos G. Young, W. L. Gerstle, Mr. Brophy, W. C. Murdoch and others.

Even the novice can be a successful trout angler on the immense reservoir lake at Big Meadows. Large catches of trout, weighing from three to five pounds, are made daily. Dr. Henry Abrams and Dr. M. E. Simon had a two weeks' "cut in" on the sport.

Feather river fishing seems to be of a pleasing style at Big Bar, Shady Rest and other points. Ed Thompson has had the good luck to land a number of limits recently.

Frank Maskey and E. P. Ayres will spend two weeks on Eel river, near Robinson s pool. A fair run of steelhead made an appearance last week at Greig's pool. One 12-pounder and a number of half-pound fish were taken.

San Gregorio lagoon is worth a trout angler's attention just now. Catches of eight to twelve inch trout were recently made in Waddell creek. Santa Cruz trout creeks have yielded nice catches this month. Al Lent and Buzz Lent caught limit baskets in Aptos creek Wednesday.

Hunters may shoot cottontail rabbits the first week in August. It will then be illegal to bag bunnies until October 15, when the quail season opens.

FIXTURES

Interstate Association Tournaments—

August 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chicago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy; winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy, and the winner of fifth place will also be awarded. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

Aug. 5, 6, 7—Fourth annual tournament California-Nevada Trapshooters' Association. Auspices of Golden Gate Gun Club, West Alameda trap grounds. T. D. Riley Secretary, Humboldt Bldg., San Francisco.

September 5-6.—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

September 24—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

TRADE NOTES.

Winchester Winnings.

The Pacific Coast Handicap tournament held at San Diego on July 8, 9 and 10 piled up, as usual, many victories for Red "W" guns and ammunition.

The Panama-Pacific Gold Trophy event, by far the greatest trapshooting honor ever attained on the Pacific Coast, was won by Mr. W. G. Warren of Tonopah, Nevada. Mr. Warren's shooting was classy in every detail and the San Diego Daily Union comments on his splendid victory as follows: "This Warren person is some gun man. Shake, Mr. Warren, you won the greatest trap race ever seen in the Land where Dreams Come True!" Mr. Warren uses a Winchester Model 1912 hammerless repeating shotgun and Winchester "Leader" factory loaded shells—the kind that won the Grand Prize at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition.

Mr. J. F. Couts and Mr. J. Weisser, both of San Diego, tied for high amateur average on the Interstate 16-yard targets, scoring 339x350. Mr. Couts used Winchester "Leader" factory loaded shells and Mr. Weisser used a Winchester Model 1912 shotgun. Mr. Couts also won the Pacific Coast Handicap at doubles, with the remarkable score of 48x25 pair.

Chas. G. Spencer, the famous Winchester expert from St. Louis, Mo., was high on all targets, including doubles, scoring 672x700. Mr. Spencer always uses Winchester facory loaded shells and a Winchester shotgun. Mr. Spencer has competed in three tournaments on the Pacific Coast recently and has found it easy to pile up an unequaled record of 98 per cent on all 16-yard targets.

All of which goes to show that quality-guns and ammunition, as well as skill, furnish a combination that is manifestly unbeatable.

Peters Points.

At the North Dakota State shoot, Dickinson, North Dakota, June 28-30, Mr. W. W. Sturgeon, using Peters "steel where steel belongs" shells, won both The Interstate Championship and the State Championship. In the former event, Mr. Sturgeon broke 96 x 100; in the State event he broke 48 x 50, tying with Mr. Frank Ray of Dickinson, who also used the "P" brand. It was necessary to shoot off four times at 25 birds each time in order to decide the winner, Mr. Sturgeon finally winning with a score of 96 x 100 in the shoot-off to Mr. Ray's 95. The McCutcheon cup was won by Mr. P. Peterson of LaMoure, N. Dak., with Peters shells, score 47 x 50.

The Indian shoot of 1915, held at Cedar Point, O., June 28-July 2, was as usual practically a clean-up for users of Peters shells. Mr. C. A. Young was high professional, 486 x 500, and Mr. Woolfolk Henderson, known the country over as the winner of the four leading amateur trapshooting events of 1914, won high general average on program events, including handicaps, with the remarkable average of 865 x 900, with Mr. Young high professional on all program events, 856 x 900. The Mallory cup was won by Mr. O. L. Brailey of Toledo, 48 x 50. Mrs. L. G. Vogel and Mr. J. W. Taylor tied for second place, 47 x 50. All using Peters shells. Dr. C. E. Winslow was shooting the "P" brand also and tied for first place in the Indian Championship, 96 x 100.

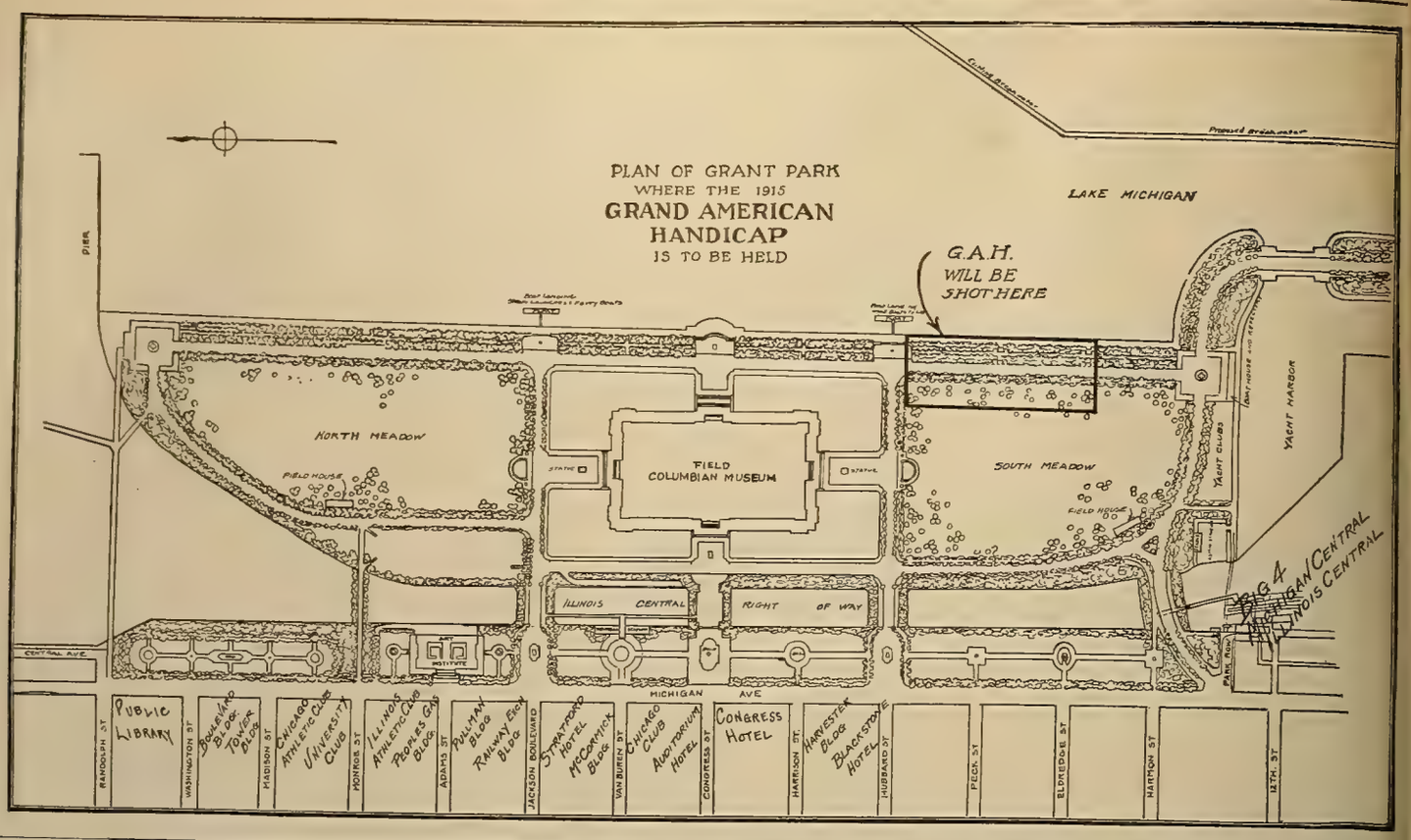
Rem-UMC Notes.

The most remarkable shooting at the recent Pacific Coast Handicap at San Diego, Cal., was done by Mr. Charles Julian of the Home Club, who broke 98x100 at 18 yards.

Unusual interest was manifested in Mr. Julian's performance because of the fact that he has but one arm, making the record all the more creditable. Mr. Julian used a Remington-UMC Pump gun and Arrow "Speed" shells.

At the Los Angeles tournament a few very remarkable scores were made under adverse circumstances. Mr. O. N. Ford of San Jose, Cal., won high amateur average with a score of 484x500, using Arrow "Speed" shells. Mr. R. H. Bungay was second with 466x500, using Remington-UMC Pump gun and Arrow "Speed" shells. Mr. R. C. Reed won second professional average with 470x500 with the same combination.

The users of this popular combination are generally found to be among the winners.



AT THE HOME OF THE HARVESTER.

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mares to. The Harvester in stud condition is a far more imposing horse than he was when he set the record at 2:01, and the critics then considered him to be one of the best looking trotters in training. He stands a little more than 16 hands high, weighs upward of 1,200 pounds and carries his weight without appearing the least bit gross. Though he lacks a little of the exquisite beauty of the Russian next door, he is yet a harder, cleaner, "dryer" looking horse, that you would count on to go faster and last longer than the other. If the boys at the farm have measured him accurately The Harvester is of the St. Simon type, considerably taller than he is long, while Uhlan is of exactly the opposite conformation.

Lou Dillon as a Matron.

Twenty-odd foals by the champion stallion are following their dams in the pastures at Curles this summer, and there will be nearly double the number next year if all the mares bred to him prove fertile. Mr. Billings now has forty-three brood mares and he is adding to his collection whever a choice one is found. There are some noted trotters and producers of trotters in the present band. Lou Dillon is, of course, the star of the lot. Horsemen who remember the frail looking little bundle of nerves that used to fret and fly on the Harlem River Speedway would not readily pick her out today, broad, deep and matronly as she has grown after giving birth to half a dozen foals. A sprightly bay colt is by her side this summer. The old mare—she is seventeen now—seems to have little liking for company when the cares of maternity are upon her. She was always off from the herd, with her eye on her colt, and when approached by any one except Larry Murphy she would move away as if nervous or distrustful. Lou Billings 2:08¾, the oldest and fastest of Lou Dillon's brood, is in the band but she has never as yet produced a foal. Her full sister, Gretchen B., has a fine colt and is a regular breeder.

Roan Mares and Colts.

Baroness Virginia 2:08¼, herone of the memorable six heat race for the Kentucky Futurity of 1909, crops the blue grass of the strawberry plains in close company with her full sister, Baroness Evelyn 2:12¾. Both mares are roans and both are nursing roan colts, whose color has come down to them through unbroken generations of roans from Hiram Woodruff's rare old Morgan trotter, Lady Franklin 2:29¾, foaled almost seventy years ago in the blue hills of New Hampshire. Verily, this roan is a color as hard to eradicate as it is hard to outlast when the heats are split in a race.

Over in another pasture lot are two more roan mares; one of them in type and style perhaps the queen of all the brood mares on the farm, and both derive their color from the same source—a nameless mare by a nameless sire that was foaled out in Illinois soon after the civil war. Bred to an obscure horse called Estill's Eric she produced the roan mare Nell, noted as the dam of Tom Axworthy 2:07; Belle Vara 2:08¾, and seven other trotters in the 2:30 list. Seven of the nine are roans, and one of these is Nelly Worthy 2:25¾, by Axworthy 2:15½, now at Curles. She has a remarkable roan colt by her side that can square away in the blue grass and demonstrate that "speed is born with the foal."

Nelly is as shy as Lou Dillon, and even more suspicious about kidnappers, but the pure, concentrated essence of maternal temperament is the bloodlike black mare Caracas, dam of Nahma 2:07¼. Larry Murphy says he believes she would kill a man who crossed her path the wrong way. No one was ever found who could put a harness on her, and no one but Larry could now get near enough to try it. This high tempered indomitable spirit is not to be deplored. It has distinguished the dams of many of the greatest trotters ever seen. Caracas is the daughter of Bingen 2:06¼ and Houri 2:17 by Onward 2:25¼, and she is of the type and quality which might lead almost any horseman to mistake her for a thoroughbred runner instead of the pure bred trotter she is.

To enumerate all the interesting individuals among the forty-three carefully chosen broodmares at Curles would fill a page of the Herald. There is a story worth telling about every one of them, for performance is the test of pedigree in Mr. Billings' scheme of breeding trotters, and no mare finds a place in the stud unless she and her immediate ancestors have done something great enough to show that her colts by The Harvester can be reasonably expected to win races in the Grand Circuit. Some of these mares, like Caracas, Adioo Dillon (dam of Dillon Axworthy 2:10¼), and Lucille Marlow 2:09¼ (dam of Lucile Bingen 2:08½), have already produced extreme speed. Others, like Bernice R. 2:07¼, Berta Mac 2:08, Gertrude Dillon 2:10½, Kingston Belle 2:10¾, Louise Wilson 2:10¾, Lucile Bingen 2:08½, Margaret Preston 2:10¼, Nancy Royce 2:06¼, Roberta Bingen 2:13¼, Santos Maid 2:08¾ and Zarrine 2:07¼, have shown it in public, while others, like Yosan J., Solola and Baby Axworthy, have beaten 2:10 in private, though they never gained fast records. A few, like Memories, the sister of Todd 2:14¾, have been taken undeveloped on faith in their great producing parents, but in one way or another "there's a reason" back of the selection of every mare. Seeing them together in groups in pasture the visitor is likely to be impressed by their uniformity of type and size. There are few, if any, coarse heads and necks among them, and the great majority are neat, snug, smooth, clean, well bred looking animals, apparently under 15.2 hands high.

With everything at hand that nature, care and science can provide, and with such a band of brood mares to mate with a great horse like The Harvester, it seems like a safe conclusion that Mr. Billings' new enterprise will meet with the splendid success which it merits and add another notable chapter to the eventful history of Curles.

Peace at Malvern Hill.

When we were ready to start for Richmond to take the night train which would set us down for breakfast in Herald square Mr. Colenso considerately directed the chauffeur toward Malvern Hill, and in ten minutes the powerful motor car was climbing the almost precipitous southwest slope from the river road to the commanding site of the ancient Malvern house, built of brick imported from England, but no longer standing. It is the highest point anywhere about Curles, and from here on a clear day you can look down over the winding river and the peninsula more than half way to Jamestown, where the first permanent English settlement in America was made in 1607.

The battlefield is back of the Malvern house and along the Quaker road, which begins in the dooryard and runs almost due north at the western edge of the plateau. One the eve of the fight General Fitz-John Porter, some-time Police Commissioner of New York, seized and held the strong position for McClellan, and when the forces of General Lee attacked the Army of the Potomac they encountered a veritable Cold Harbor. The Quaker road today is, as its name implies, the picture of peace, and as you pass the leafy glades and limpid brooks on the way from Malvern Hill to Glendale, or Frayser's Farm, it is hard to realize that in the closing days of June, 1862, these trees were torn to shreds and the streams were red with blood, where 200,000 men were fighting the last of the "Seven Days' Battles."

Few landmarks of the great conflict now remain, but as we neared the Glendale crossroads we came upon the historic Willis Church, at which Lee, Jackson, Hill and Longstreet held a council of war just before the disastrous attack on Malvern Hill, and which later was used as a Confederate hospital. It was on a Sunday afternoon, almost fifty-three years to a day after the battle, and as the congregation came pouring out of the quaint old white Colonial meeting house back in the grove, as an added reminder of the blessings of peace, even "Ed" Tipton looked approvingly on the assembled "psalm singers.."

G. CHAPLIN.

FREMONT, NEBRASKA.

Fremont, Neb., July 15—Three-year-old trot, purse $200:

D. J. Burke, b g by The Corsair.....(Huber)	1	1		
Daisy Todd, b f by George Todd.....(Rhodes)	2	2		
Bin Bon, br c by Bingara.....(Chandler)	3	3		
Rose Hedgewood, bl f by Hedgewood Bay(Martindale)	4	4		

Time—2:34½, 2:31½.

2:17 pace, purse $400:

Jenny Fitzsimmons, b m by Bob Fitzsimmons .....(Dennis)	6	1	1	1
Last Chance, ch g by Prince Online (Rhodes)	4	2	2	2
Don W., ch g by Milton Z.....(Ceiderberg)	1	6	3	3
Allator, br h by Installator.....(Stone)	3	3	4	5
Mills, 2-7-dr.; Bertha Creighton, 7-8-dr.				

Time—2:15¾, 2:18, 2:17½, 2:18½.

2:24 trot, purse $400:

Charm King, b m by Norval King....(Morton)	4	2	1	1
Pronto J., bl g by Strathway.....(Sebastian)	1	1	4	2
Red Rico, b g by Porto Rico.....(MacDermid)	3	3	3	3
Kitty Red, b m by Peter Red.....(Rhodes)	5	4	2	4

Time—2:23½, 2:20½, 2:21¾, 2:20½.

Balance of program declared off on account of rain.

Fred Ward won at West Point, Nebraska, with Dr. Wayo, Great Northern and Sosions and was second to Pronto J. with El Bel Maden.

THE FARM

HOGGING OFF VARIOUS CROPS.

is a well recognized principle of manufacturing that to reduce the cost of production and at the same time maintain the quality of the product means direct increase in net profits. The wide variation found on different farms in the cost of pork production would indicate that, if the method followed by the man who produces pork at the least cost were in general practice, the actual cost would be reduced more than one-third.

A careful investigation on many different forms shows that the average cost of harvesting a crop equals the cost of growing it ready to harvest. It has also been demonstrated by numerous experiments that the pig can do the harvesting of various crops without wasting any food material. It follows logically, therefore, that up to the extent that the pig can do its own harvesting there is a saving of 50 per cent on the cost of each pound of meat produced from an acre of ground where the pig does the harvesting.

It is seldom practicable to produce pork at the least cost by having the pigs harvest all of its feed, but to the extent that the pig can do the harvesting satisfactorily it is decidedly profitable to let the pig do it. Pasture grass to the extent of one-half the daily feed is probably one of the cheapest class of pork making material. Next to this comes any of the cereal crops—such as rye, wheat, barley, oats, peas, or corn, to be hogged off.

The former, who will arrange such a system of cropping as will enable him to hog off the various crops at the right season, can very materially lessen the cost of pork production. The best permament hog pasture is a combination of grasses and clovers, including alfalfa. Alfalfa alone is not satisfactory or economic hog pasture. Winter rye will furnish the earliest satisfactory feed for a season, and if there is no permanent grass and clover pasture then the rye should be supplemented by seeding early, on well prepared ground, a mixture of spring grains seeded very heavily, say 100 pounds per acre. This may include spring wheat, spring rye, barley, oats and three or four pounds of sorghum, kaffir, milo maize, or federetta. If the pasture is divided into about four separate lots so that the pigs may be changed to a new plat each week, which will give each plat three weeks rest to one week's pasturing, the same area of land will carry satisfactorily twice the number of pigs.

The earliest annual crop with which to supplement the pasture is peas and oats. To grow the peas and oats to the best advantage, manure the ground in the fall and disc, mixing in the manure well with the surface soil. The ground may be fall plowed, or plowed as early in the spring as it is dry enough to crumble from the mould board. Oisc or pack with a Campbell subsurface packer, and drill in the peas 3½ to 4 inches deep, 100 pounds per acre, then, one week after, seed 40 pounds of oats per acre half as deep as the peas.

Enough peas and oats should be seeded to take care of the pigs until the winter wheat is in the dough. If the winter wheat then is supplemented by an equal area of spring wheat they can ordinarily be kept on the wheat for four or five weeks.

March farrowed pigs that have had a light grain ration each day in addition to the pasture, will be in condition to make very rapid gains and will, in fact, make more pounds of meat per acre from each acre of wheat hogged off at this time of year than they would be able to do from the same amount of wheat harvested, threshed, rolled and fed in the most approved manner. When the wheat has become fully ripened and hardened, they could still be allowed to get a part of their daily food from the ripe wheat, but, if this is supplemented with green corn, the gain will be much more rapid than it would from the wheat alone, and the earlier varieties of corn will be in the roasting-ear stage by the time the wheat has begun to hargen.

Where land is high priced and the labor is available, the corn may be cut and fed in the wheat field or pasture lot, but it will be found that, until the corn is well hardened, the pigs will make more meat from each acre of corn, if fed to them stalks and all or allowed to hog it down, than they will from the same area of corn harvested and fed dry.

Barley, allowed to stand in the field without harvesting, will produce more pounds of pork to the acre during the fall and winter if the pigs do their own harvesting, than will the same amount of barley threshed, rolled, and fed in the house or feed lot.

Ordinarily it will be found advantageous to give the pigs every evening a light feed of some other kind of feed than that which is being hogged-off, for it is a well recognized fact that, other things being equal, the greater variety in the ration the better will be the results from each pound of feed fed.

I, in hogging-off any kind of crop, portable fence is used and only so much of the area uncovered at a time as the pigs can clean up in three or four days, there will be less waste and better gains from the same area than where they are allowed to run over the whole field. The manner however, in which the hogging-off is done must depend in a great measure upon the location of the farm, the fencing, labor, water and other factors that must be considered, but it has been demonstrated beyond the possibility of a doubt that, up to the extent that the pigs do their own harvesting, the cost of producing the meat is reduced about one-half.—C. L. Smith, Agriculturist O-W. R. & N. Company, Portland.

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2:11 Trot $750
2:15 Pace 750

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

2:25 Trot $750
2:18 Pace 750

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

2:18 Trot $750

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

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2:11 Pace 750

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MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

Three-minute Trot, 3 heats	$ 300.00
2:10 Pace, 3 heats	700.00
2:25 Trot (closed)	600.00
One-mile Handicap Dash, Trot and Pace	500.00
Great Western Relay Race	1,500.00

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

2:15 Trot, 3 heats	$ 700.00
2:18 Pace (closed)	700.00
Three-year-old Trot (closed)	2,000.00

Second day Relay Race.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Three-year-old Pace (closed)	$1,500.00
2:30 Trot, 3 heats	500.00
2:08 Pace, 3 in 5	2,000.00

Third day Relay Race.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

2:20 Pace, 3 heats	$ 700.00
2:12 Trot, 3 in 5	2,000.00
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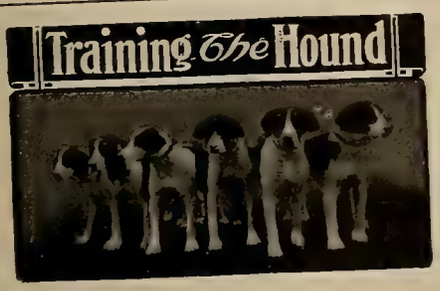
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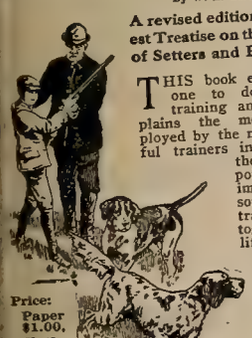
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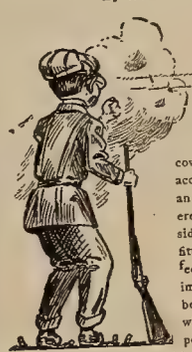
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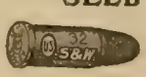
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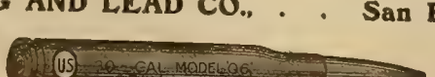
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A BROADSIDE FROM THE ATLANTIC SQUADRON

Some months ago, shortly after the sale of Don Pronto 2:02¼ to his present owner, Dr. R. C. Simpson of Armidale, N. S. W., the American Horse Breeder commented upon the improvement in the breed of Australian trotters which should result from the importation and use in the stud of horses of his calibre, taking advantage of the opportunity to call attention to the prominence of the blood of horses that paced in the veins of many fast trotters. No sooner had the remarks gained circulation than they became the cause of the "pacing blood in the trotter" controversy, the Horse Review being especially vehement, after its usual fashion, in belittling the value of the blood of such horses in the production of trotting speed. In the light of the more than positive language used by the Review at that time the following "appreciation" from the Horse Breeder is entertaining and enlightening:

Facts Worth the Telling.

Despite the raucous and hostile cries of those who, in the columns of turf journals and elsewhere, decry the use of pacing mares, or mares by pacers as fit mates for trotting stallions of the best class, we deem it an imperative and a pleasant duty to continue pointing out such facts in the matter as have a news interest.

We have dwelt somewhat insistently on the case of Great Spirit 2:11¾, who took a 2:20 pacing record before beating 2:30 at the trot, she being the dam of Native Spirit (2) 2:09¾, and Sweet Spirit (3) 2:09½, because she was in a class by herself as the only mare that had produced two trotters to take records of 2:10 or better at three years of age or under. "Merely the exception that proves the rule," say those who will not admit that any good may come out of pacerdom. But now we have the spectacle of Nervolo Belle, a 2:11 pacing mare, whose sire and grandsire are members of the 2:10 pacing list, giving the turf the fastest two-year-old colt, and what seems likely to be the fastest two-year-old filly, in Peter Volo (2) 2:04½ and Volga, public trial 2:12, and who unquestionably is up to a 2:10 mile right now.

"Keeping everlastingly at it," is a slogan long used to advantage in business affairs, and, while the Breeder realizes that repetition of even a great truth may be overdone, the recent performances of Volga furnish a fitting background for the display of a fact that breeders should keep in mind. In the female line, the blood of horses that pace has done wonders in the speed production line, and is more prominent by its deeds today than ever before. It is possible—but not probable—that Nervolo Belle and Great Spirit are freaks in the brood mare line, but how about the champion trotter Nancy Hanks 2:04 (a natural pacer), dam of Admiral Dewey 2:04¾; or Extasy (champion two-year-old race pacer, 2:10½), dam of Lord Dewey 2:03¾; or the hoppled pacer Sarah W. 2:18¼, dam of Joan 2:04¼; or——

But what's the use! Enough is a feast, and satiety produces a most uncomfortable feeling. When the present season ends we shall, no doubt, be able to set before our readers a fresh dish of appetizing facts regarding pacing mares (or pacing-bred mares) as producers of extreme speed at the trot, the same to be eaten with gusto or shoved aside with a snort of disgust, as the mental attitude of the reader may dictate.

But it is our plain duty, as a provider of facts, to keep the menu up to the standard, and no detail of that work will be neglected.

Last winter a Chicago contemporary indulged in a series of spasms of the most violent sort because the Breeder, in calling attention to the fact that a lot of topnotch trotters had pacers for their dams, or were from mares whose sires were pacers, laid particular stress on the case of Peter Volo, a triple colt champion.

And yet in a recent issue of the Chicago journal we find the following eulogistic remarks concerning the dam of Peter Volo, she now being again in the limelight through the phenomenal speed displayed by her two-year-old daughter, Volga, sister to Peter:

"She is already the dam of three, and her breeding shows that, while Volga and Peter Volo may have a dam by a pacer, she might be expected, both on breeding and self ability, to produce champions as she has."

We are charmed to welcome to the circle of intelligent folk, who are bright enough to recognize merit in pacing mares when they have that article on tap, and fair enough to disseminate the truth, the associate editor of the Chicago publication who wrote the above.

Still, we opine the editor—that is to say, the head editor—was on a vacation when the issue of the paper containing that paragraph went to press. "She might be expected, both on breeding and self ability, to produce champions, as she has," is putting the matter even more strongly than those who love the pacer for what he has done would have deemed wise.

Still, there is no limit to the fervor of a new convert, nor any way, save casting him into a dungeon, to prevent his declaring the truth as he sees it.

CLEARING UP THE TOM PATCH RECORD.

Last week we made mention of the movement on foot to have Tom Patch's Youngstown record established as 2:08¾, expressing our doubts as to the strict propriety of such action and laying considerable stress upon our belief that the timers were guilty of either fraud or incompetence. Later advices from the east do much toward putting the entire matter in a much better light, though we are still inclined to the theory that the timers were more or less "incompetent," as the petition for the change in record is based upon the claim that two watches were wrong—and a man with a suspicious watch is not a competent timer, by any means.

On the statement of George Dietrich, who gave the meeting, one watch caught the mile in 2:08¾ and the other two in 2:10¼, the latter time being recorded as correct. Almost immediately, however, Mr. Dietrich was approached by several gentlemen who had timed the mile from 2:08¾ to 2:08, and who wanted to know the reason it was not so announced. Investigation was made at once and the two watches, by test and comparison with others, were deemed incorrect and announcement to that effect made public. No authority existed for changing the figures at that time, however, and until acted upon by the board of appeals of the American Trotting Association it remains as first announced—2:10¼. We were wrong, apparently, in stating that the movement to correct the record was started after Tom Patch's death, and we are really glad to know this not to be the case, as it removes the only taint that could attach itself to the Youngstown meeting.

THAT "RACING WEATHER."

Now that the Grand and Great Western Circuit and other central western meetings are being rained out so pleasingly (?) we wonder if among those present there are not several horsemen who look back enviously to that June meeting here at San Francisco, when from the fifth to the nineteenth every race that filled was pulled off on schedule time? By no means do we mean to insinuate that it was perfect "racing weather," but it certainly beat shipping around without getting a start, or having to race till Saturday night and then beating it for another town, to begin Monday.

THAT THIRD HEAT IN THE OHIO AS OTHERS SAW IT.

In the final, McMahon went into the lead at the first turn and set a rather slow clip, being at the three quarters in 1:37¾. Rounding the turn, he pulled to the right carrying both Peter McCormick and Worthy Prince wide and permitting Murphy to come through the opening along the rail, yet despite the fact that the favorite was given this great advantage and his opposition badly handicapped, Peter Scott was out to his last ounce when the wire was reached. While the $30,000 proposition was awarded a victory it was not the kind which appealed to lovers of good clean sport. The judges withheld their decision for some little time, but we are pleased to state that one of the officials did not agree with the "verdict" handed out.—American Sportsman.

It is a matter of deep regret that the Ohio stake, the M. & M., preliminary as some horsemen choose to call it, was marred by unfair tactics on the part of Driver McMahon for the race left a doubt in the minds of many. That doubt is the real class of Peter Scott, the $30,000 horse about which there was so much discussion during the winter. In all fairness, I must say, that single handed and alone I do not believe that Peter Scott can beat that grand going half-brother of his, Peter McCormick in the Shuler stable. It took all the energy Peter Scott had to win the first heat, Peter McCormick beat him handily in the second and would have beaten him in the third had not McMahon resorted to the "helping" that caused so much unfavorable comment.—Horse World.

But in the second round Shuler, with Peter McCormick, shot to the front and they never got to him, the decision going to the Indianapolis trotter in 2:05½, the fastest heat of the race. The big stallion now looked to have the best of the argument, but the third heat, which, by the way, was a bit unsatisfactory to a good many, found Peter Scott first at the wire and the race was his. In this heat McMahon shot to the front with King Clansman and Murphy dropped in behind with his charge. Shuler had Peter McCormick lapped on the leader at the upper turn and looked dangerous when McMahon drove wide, and Peter Scott came through at the pole. Shuler lodged a complaint with the judges, claiming that he had been carried wide by McMahon, but the gentlemen in the stand, after a consultation with the driver from Libertyville, decided that there was no wrong doing.

The decision left rather a bad taste in the mouths of the Peter McCormick followers as the black horse showed in the second heat that he possessed as much class as any of the stake trotters.—Western Horseman.

There was a disposition to attribute Scott's loss of the second heat to the fact that Murphy was a bit over-confident and thus had timed his drive too late, so the final found him still first choice at about even money. As matters transpired, Scott was favored in all respects in the decider, but for which the race might not have been his. He drew the pole, but Dick McMahon, taking King Clansman to the front, gave Murphy a nice opportunity to trail—a way of racing which he likes so well. Meantime, McCormick had received a bad send-off and was cut off before reaching the turn; also he made a short break at the quarter, and these handicaps contributed to his defeat. Clansman led to the three-quarters and appeared to have a fine chance to win the heat, but just before reaching the stretch McMahon pulled him wide, thus enabling Murphy to come through at the pole. Scott struggled gamely, but it was evident that he was a tired horse, and he beat Clansman a neck only in 2:07¾, both being whipped out. McCormick, on the other hand, had a lot left, as evidenced by the manner in which he finished. Despite all the ill-luck which he had experienced, he was trotting straight and true and fast overhauling the leaders near home, but was too late to make use of his speed and strength.—Horse Review.

Peter Scott's victory was discounted because he had some help in the deciding heat. King Clansman shot to the front, Murphy trailed to the head of the stretch, King Clansman came into the stretch in second position, Peter Scott went through at the pole and outrushed King Clansman in the stretch. Peter Scott might have won without the assistance but his victory would have been more impressive had he done so.—Horseman.

Fast Miles Feature of Charity Matinee

Secretary Charley Paine always has the track at Agricultural Park in Sacramento in shape for fast stepping with no bad after effects when racing time rolls around, and last Sunday no exception was taken from the established custom, as the track was both fast and safe and a number of the horses starting in the afternoon's events went the best miles of their careers. The fastest mile of the day was 2:07¼ and the slowest 2:16, the average time of the thirteen heats being just a shade slower than 2:11½—a showing that is hard to beat at a matinee in any locality.

Right from the jump the contests were warm. Eight pacers faced Starter Frank Wright in the first event, Aerolite Jr. having been added to the entry list after the programs had been printed. Seeing that it was Sunday and feeling that they should do something appropriate the judges proceeded to back up the scriptural admonition to the effect that the last shall be first and the first shall be last by awarding Aerolite the pole, Shorty Roberts taking the field away sizzling. Moving into the back stretch Jim Donnelley took the lead but broke at the half. The Fool and Victor Pointer cutting out the pace around the turn, with Aerolite third in on the pole. After straightening for the wire, Roberts found an open place in the middle of the track and came through for a handy win from the Oroville pacer and Victor Pointer. Pointer Belle, who would have been played favorite if any machines or pool selling had been in evidence, threw down her friends from home by coming in a bad last and failing to figure in future heats. In the second heat Aerolite got away a bit back and King Pointer rushed to the front and was never headed, though hard pressed by Victor Pointer; the last heat was a "pipe" for the big gelding and he made every post a winning one.

The field for the free-for-all trot was almost as large as that for the first event, and one of its most pleasing features was the improvement in behavior shown by John Mack, the Illinois gelding purchased after the exposition meeting by Harry Cowell. At the last matinee at the P.-P. I. E. course this lad indulged in various tantrums and showed no especial desire to trot, but he was much better in every way Sunday and won both heats of the free-for-all in time better than his record in professional company. St. Patrick drew the pole and the bunch was slow in getting away, Birdeye breaking just after the word was finally given, and John Mack and Columbia T. going quickly to the front. Down the back stretch the Bon Guy mare made a break that cost her her position, Muggins going into place around the turn and giving John Mack a real challenge in the stretch, Walter Tryon landing the Cowell entry a winner with Muggins' nose at his shoulder. Breaks by Birdeye, Muggins and Moko Hall spoiled their chances in the second heat, each one losing an advantageous position at the critical moment, and St. Patrick, well back in the early portion of the mile, finished second, John Mack going the route in 2:11 flat. John occasionally showed that a portable turntable would be a handy thing for his driver to have about his clothes at times, but he never broke a trot and attended strictly to business after getting away.

The rich and juicy peach of the afternoon's program was the Class A pace, with Bondalean, George Woodward, Bradmont and W. J. K., the latter having been shifted to that event from the free-for-all. Owner Charley Silva had the mount behind the great three-year-old son of The Bondsman and Katalina; Harry Cowell piloted his old favorite; Tim Sexton, after a temporary retirement of some weeks, came up from Oakland to drive Bradmont, and the "Three Bill" combination had its regular teamster, Will Smith. Bradmont drew the pole, with Bondalean in second position, Tim going away in the lead until past the half, with Silva right with him, W. J. K. gaining several yards down the back stretch by a fast move down the outside of the bunch. Bondalean led around the turn and well up the stretch but Smith brought W. J. K. with a whirlwind rush that landed him winner by half a length in 2:07½, a wonderful performance for both horses—one an aged fellow that had never shown so well by some seconds and the other a three-year-old, both in amateur hands.

Bondalean beat the bunch into the turn in the second heat, with George Woodward lapped with him, the pair racing that way throughout the mile. Down the back stretch, nearing the half, Smith "started through" with W. J. K., but the hole was too small when he got there and when taken back the big pacer left his feet and lost too much ground to make up. In the home stretch Silva left enough room for a passage on the pole and Bradmont made for it in one of his customary sturdy finishes, but broke when on practically even terms with the leaders. Both teamsters were "doing their durndest," and old George Woodward's nose was only inches short of his younger rival's when they flashed under the wire in 2:10½.

For the third trial Starter Wright gave them a perfect send-off, Bondalean going out for an open lead clear around into the home stretch, with Woodward second and W. J. K. back a ways. In the stretch Smith leveled with the Dexter Prince lad and the way he responded was worth seeing, his long strides landing him winner by a neck in 2:10½, with Silva's colt game to the last. The big fellow's rush was just naturally a little too fast, and "post mortem" ideas agree that if Smith hadn't gotten in bad in the second heat he could have stepped that mile not far from 2:08. Leaving out all ifs and ands it was a great little old horse race.

Teddy Bear won the free-for-all pace in straight heats by reason of pacing faultlessly while Vera Hal and Dick W. were both more or less unsteady. The little mare, for some reason, has never been at her best over the Sacramento track, and while Dick W. had more whizz than he has shown at any time this season he broke under the drive in each heat. Teddy won the first trial in 2:09, pulled up, but had to step the second one in 2:07¼ even with Dick making a break, so they were rambling some when the ascension came. Had the San Francisco hope kept his feet the mile would have been below seven, but at any rate Ottinger got the trophy, Silva presenting it to him with his compliments.

For the concluding fireworks there were four starters and three heat winners, which is coming close enough to making it "unanimous" for any ordinary purposes, especially with the non-heat-winner being the contending horse in two of the three heats. Senator H. was picked to win and did so, but only by the narrowest of margins. Joe Kidd and Jack Ginocchio figured that by no hook nor crook could the trophy escape a trip to the Happy Valley strongholds of one or the other of them, but Ed Strain threatened vehemently to include it in his baggage on the return trip to Marysville.

The Senator drew the pole, but Jack quickly went to the front, Lucia S. handicapping herself from the start by breaking just as she left the wire. Down the back stretch Jack blew up and Senator H. and Hamburg Belle both passed him, though he settled well and came on. In the stretch the Senator made a regular old he break and both the Belle and Jack went by him, the former winning by some lengths. Jack again took the lead on the turn in the second heat and the quartet paced all the way well bunched, Senator H. winning by a neck from McDonnell's little black gelding, who stood the gaff gamely and went a nice mile. Senator H. set out to win all the way in the last heat and led a closely bunched field into the stretch, Ed Strain coming strong with Lucia S. and winning from Hanks and his mount in the last few yards, thus bringing to a close the most enjoyable matinee of the season.

Fifteen horses from this city were taken up the river and took part in the racing, while a goodly contingent from here was on deck to "help 'em along," making the trip by boat, train and auto. Secretary Paine made the horses comfortable and provided all conveniences for their trainers and caretakers, and if Frank Ruhstaller and his fellow members of the Sacramento Driving Club overlooked anything in the way of entertainment and refreshments for all comers, no one could notice it. Considering the quality of the racing and the charitable nature of the event the attendance was disappointing. Cut glass trophies went to the winners, with handsome halters and speed-siring whips provided for second and third horses, respectively. Frank Wright did the starting in his usual form, Fred Lauterwasser, Sr., Jimmy Ryan and Billy Roeder occupied the judges' stand, and Millard Sanders and John Gerber testified to the correctness of the time. The details:

Sacramento, Cal., August 1, 1915.

Class C pace:

King Pointer ..... (H. Campodonico)	6	1	1
Aerolite Jr. ..... (R. Roberts)	1	5	5
Victor Pointer ..... (Dan Keating)	3	2	2
The Fool ..... (Dr. I. L. Tucker)	2	3	4
J. C. Simpson ..... (Frank Goularte)	7	4	3
Pointer Belle ..... (Joe Kidd)	8	6	6
Col. Mazuma ..... (Dr. E. J. Weldon)	4	7	dr
Jim Donnelly ..... (D. D. McDonald)	5	8	dr

Time—2:14, 2:13¼, 2:16.

Free-for-all trot:

John Mack ..... (S. H. Cowell)	1	1	
St. Patrick ..... (J. J. Ryan)	3	2	
Muggins			
Francis S. ..... (H. Cohen)	2	7	
Columbia T. ..... (J. E. Strain)	5	3	
Moko Hall ..... (C. F. Silva)	4	4	
Bird Eye ..... (F. J. Ruhstaller)	7	5	
..... (A. Combatalade)	6	6	

Time—2:11¾, 2:11.

Class A pace:

W. J. K. ..... (W. J. Kenney)	1	4	1
Bondalean			
George Woodward ..... (C. F. Silva)	2	1	2
Bradmont ..... (S. H. Cowell)	3	2	3
..... (G. J. Giannini)	4	3	4

Time—2:07½, 2:10½, 2:10½.

Free-for-all pace:

Teddy Bear ..... (C. F. Silva)	1	1	
Dick W.			
Vera Hal ..... (A. Ottinger)	2	2	
..... (H. Cohen)	3	3	

Time—2:09, 2:07¼.

Class B pace:

Senator H. ..... (Joe Kidd)	3	1	2
Lucia S.			
Hamburg Belle ..... (J. E. Strain)	4	3	1
Jack ..... (J. Ginocchio)	1	4	3
..... (McDonnell & Conlon)	2	2	4

Time—2:15½, 2:13, 2:13.

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Q.—What is the name and address of the owner of By Mack by McKinney? A.—Taken in January, 1910, to Patchen Wilkes Farm, Lexington, Ky.; present location not known here but can probably be obtained by applying to the above establishment.

Q.—What is By Mack's record?. A.—Year Book gives no performer by this name.

Q.—What is Willard Zibble's address? A.—1326 N street, Fresno.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

RECORD MEETING AT SAVAGE.

Savage, Minn., July 30, 1915.—A warm still day and a track lightning fast, contributed the exact conditions which are absolutely necessary for breaking world records, and George Gano 2:02 took advantage of the favorable circumstances by nicking the world's mark for pacing under saddle. The former record of 2:12 made by Kruger in 1907 was reduced a quarter of a second, Gano pacing his mile in 2:11¾. The flashy-going stallion would undoubtedly have set the new record a second or more faster, but the prompter driven by Ed. Hanson choked down on the last turn and fell through the outside fence, Gano being obliged to finish alone. It was a nasty accident and at first Hanson's leg appeared to be broken, but it proved to be only a wrench, though bad enough to lay him up for a couple of weeks. Gano is expected to further reduce the saddle record, as he likes that way of going and is training unusually well this season. Murray Anderson, who is doing all the training at the International Farm this year in the absence of Railey Macey, was the man who trained Gano for the saddle record and finally rode him to victory over the watch.

Anderson uncovered a lot more speed among his pupils and the splendid work of his charges today proved beyond any question of doubt that he is a young man with marked natural ability of the highest order as a trainer and conditioner.

The three-year-old pacer Wood Patch went against his former breeders' record of 2:13½ and finished his mile in 2:10¾. As it was regular workout day and Anderson is getting the colt ready to race, the youngster started again to beat the 2:10¾ mark and reeled off the mile in 2:09½. We think this is the fastest mile by a three-year-old pacer so far this year, and is all the more remarkable on account of Wood Patch being bred and trained in this northern climate.

Gay Patch, four-year-old trotting filly by Dan Patch 1:55, dam Miss International 2:18, by Roy Wilkes, put up another sparkling performance, starting against her recently made record of 2:15¼ and acquiring a new one of 2:11. Just to show it was no fluke and that she is a real racemare, Gay repeated in exactly the same notch. She will surely make another 2:10 trotter this year for the only Dan.

Liberty Patch 2:07¾ reduced that record to 2:07½ and came back with another mile in 2:07¾.

The trotting two-year-old Carlos Patch, full brother to Gay Patch 2:11, slipped into the list with a mile in 2:29. This performance looks very commonplace in comparison to the doings of the others on the program, but furnished a special interest to the spectators when announced that it furnished the one last performer needed to make Dan Patch a century sire. Altogether it was quite a big day at the Savage farm.

Following is a list of the performances:

To beat World Pacing Record of 2:12 Under Saddle with 145 pounds up:
George Gano, b h by Gambetta Wilkes (Anderson) 2:11¾

To beat 2:13½, pacing:
Wood Patch, gr h (3) by Dan Patch....(Anderson) 2:10¾

To beat 2:10¾, pacing:
Wood Patch, gr h (3) by Dan Patch....(Anderson) 2:09½

To beat 2:15¼, trotting:
Gay Patch, b m (4) by Dan Patch.....(Anderson) 2:11

To beat 2:07¾, pacing:
Liberty Patch, b h by Dan Patch.....(Anderson) 2:07½

To beat 2:30¼, trotting:
Carlos Patch, b c (2) by Dan Patch...(Anderson) 2:29

Starter, A. W. McElroy. Representative American Trotting Association, D. W. Thurston. Timers, M. E. Harrison, Charles D. Clinton, J. H. Bogle. Judges, C. T. Linsmayer, Robert G. Watts, W. E. Stanchfield.

CORNING, IOWA.

July 20—2:17 pace, purse $400:

Happy Heart, b g by Lockheart.....(McGowan)	1	1	1
Red Wood, s g. .....(Combs)	2	2	2
Kewanee Stockings, br s. .....(Frederick)	4	3	3
John B., br s. .....(Wilson)	3	4	4

Time—2:21½, 2:18¾, 2:19½.

2:17 trot, purse $400:

Arondo, b g by Moquette.....(Grier)	5	1	1
Sampson Muscovite, b g by Muscovite(Johnson)	2	2	3
Sweetwood, b m by Norwood.....(Casey)	1	4	4
Jack Panic, b g by William Panic.....	4	5	2
Deocy, 3-3-5-5.			

Time—2:25¼, 2:24¼, 2:24½, 2:23½.

July 21—2:27 trot, purse $400:

California B., b g by Atheshan.....(Beezley)	1	5	1
Harry Onslow, b g by Onslow.....(Shields)	2	2	3
Ben Nutwood, s g by Dick Nutwood (Colwell)	3	1	2
Fred R., b g. .....(Combs)	5	3	4
Minnie Osten, 4-4-6-4; Billy Todd, 6-6-5-6.			

Time—2:22¼, 2:23½, 2:21¾, 2:21½.

2:12 pace, purse $400:

Danica, b m by Potosi.....(Johnson)	3	1	1
Axcybetta, ch s. .....(Aulger)	5	5	3
Prince Arlington, b g. .....(Hennick)	4	3	4
Red View, 6-4-5-5; Charley C., 7-6-6-dr.; Hal J., 2-dr.			

Time—2:14¼, 2:14¾, 2:16¼, 2:17¼.

July 22—2:22 pace, purse $400:

Happy Heart, b g by Lockheart.....(McGowan)	1	1	1
Debently, b s by Directly.....	3	3	3
Dan W., br g .....(Colwell)	2	2	6
Ludwig, C., br g. .....(Johnson)	6	6	2
Red Rose, b m. .....(Casey)	5	4	5
Kewanee Stockings, 7-7-4; Tip Top, 8-8-7; May Earl, 4-5-dr.			

Time—2:18½, 2:16¼, 2:17¾.

2:22 trot, purse $400:

Roy T., b g by Pottinger.....(Johnson)	2	1	1
The Empress, b m by Stillwell..(Armstrong)	1	4	3
Jack Panis, b g. .....(Beezley)	3	2	4
Hick, bl g. .....(Hennick)	4	3	2
Willis Strong, 5-5-5ds.; Iva Thorne, 6-dr.			

Time—2:20¾, 2:21½, 2:20½, 2:20¾.

Bert Jones, one of the well known retail cigar men on Market street, has recently purchased a good green trotter of the third generation of the McKinney family and will break into the matinee game this fall.

SALEM ENTRIES CLOSE NEXT FRIDAY.

Owing to the dearth of racing here at home this eason, quite a number of California stables have ıade entries in the North Pacific Circuit, and the ttention of owners of these and other western tables is most respectfully called to the fact that ntries for the big meeting at Salem close next 'riday, August 13.

The Oregon State Fair has been the scene of some amous contests, and for years has stood as the ıorthwest's foremost meeting for the light harness ıorses. In this "dry year in the horse business" Salem makes no departure from her custom of hang- ng up more money for racing than is offered by her ister organizations, and the program is both varied ınd generous. As prepared by Secretary W. Al Jones .he daily card is as follows, early closing events which filled June first being so designated:

Monday, September 27: Three minute trot, $300, three heats; 2:10 pace, $700, three heats; 2:25 trot, $600, three heats, closed June 1; one mile handicap dash, trot and pace, $500.

Tuesday, September 28: 2:15 trot, $700, three heats; 2:18 pace, $700, three heats, closed June 1; three-year-old trot, $2,000, closed.

Wednesday, September 29: Three-year-old pace, $1,500, closed; 2:30 trot, $500, three heats; 2:08 pace, $2,000, three in five.

Thursday, September 30: 2:20 pace, $700, three heats; 2:12 trot, $2,000, three in five; 2:15 pace, $700, three heats.

Friday, October 1: Free-for-all pace, $700, three in five; 2:20 trot, $700, three heats; 3:00 trot or pace, $300, three in five.

Saturday, October 2: 2:12 pace, $700, three heats; 2:09 trot, $700, three heats; 2:25 pace, $500, three heats, closed June 1.

In addition to these offerings, $1,500 is hung up for the Great Western Relay race, of which a heat will be raced daily, and as California has some of the best relay riders and horses in the west our buckaroo friends will find this prize well worth trying for.

Races designated as three heats are on the every heat a race system, 30 per cent to each heat and 10 per cent awarded to the first and second horse according to rank in the summary, horses tied for first position racing a fourth heat. The three in five races are on the old system but will terminate at the end of the fifth heat.

By all means, include Salem in your campaign, and remember that next Friday is your last day for entering.

TEKAMAH, NEBRASKA.

July 21—2:30 trot, purse $400:

Pronto Jr., bl g by Strathway.....(Sebastian) 1 1 1
Charles Marrs, br g by Prince Charles....(Lewis) 2 2 2
Queen Traveler, b m by King Traveler.....(Hill) 4 3 3
Great Ivan, ch h by Ivan the Great (MacDermid) 3 4 4
Time—2:22¼, 2:22½, 2:24¼.

2:19 trot, purse $400:

Great Northern, br g by Wayland W.....(Ward) 1 1 1
The Corsair, br h by Walnut Hall.....(Huber) 2 3 2
Checkheart, b g by Lockheart.....(Shoemaker) 3 4 4
Edith Alltell, b m by Alltell.....(Benefield) 4 2 7
Golden Rusk, 5-5-6; Joe Vincent, 7-8-3; Chief, 8-6-8; George Summers, 9-9-5; Watsey Todd, 6-7-dis.
Time—2:16¼, 2:18¼, 2:16¼.

2:17 pace, purse $400:

Jenny Fitzsimmons, b m by Bob Fitzsimmons.....(Dennis) 6 1 5 1 1
Helen Chimes, b m by The Magnet.....(Williamson) 1 2 1 3 2
Last Chance, ch g by Prince Onlone.....(Rhodes) 3 4 2 6 4
Johnny Mills, b g by Shade On.....(Cox) 2 3 3 4 6
Frank H. Holloway, 8-5-4-2-3; Ocean Wave, 5-7-7-7-5; Fay Barnard, 7-6-6-5-dr.; Don Quixote, 4-8-dr.
Time—2:14¼, 2:14¾, 2:16¼, 2:15¼, 2:17.

July 22—2:22 pace, purse $400:

Josie Knight, gr m by Twelfth Night (Dennis) 6 1 1 1
Van Sickle, b h by Gambetta Wilkes (Smart) 3 5 2 2
Charline, b g by Shade On.....(Owen) 2 3 4 4
Karo, b g by Union Medium, Jr.....(Henry) 4 6 3 3
Louie Mac, 5-4-5-5; Brown Betty, b m by John Marshall (Grattan), 1-2-6dis.
Time—2:12¾, 2:14½, 2:14¼, 2:15.

2:12 pace, purse $400:

R. W. E., ch g by Billy Huston (Benefield) 5 6 1 1 1
Shadeline, ch h by Shade On.....(Owen) 2 1 2 4 4
M. T., b g by Conrad.....(Johnson) 1 4 5 2 2
Adrian R., b h by Rockwell W.....(Henry) 3 2 4 3 3
Cecil Boy, 4-3-3-dr.; Joe Joe, 6-5-6-dr.; Shady Butterfly, 7-7-7-dr.; Gallant Constantine, 8-8-dr.
Time—2:13, 2:13¾, 2:13¼, 2:14, 2:15½.

2:24 trot, purse $400:

Ella Bell Maden, b m by Almaden D.....(Ward) 1 1 1
Charm King, b m by Norval King.....(Morton) 4 2 2
Socius, br h by Spokane.....(Dennis) 5 3 3
Kitty Red, b m by Peter Red.....(Rhodes) 3 5 4
Great Ivan, 6-6-5.
Time—2:20½, 2:21¼, 2:21¼.

July 23—2:15 trot, purse $400:

Doctor Wayo, b h by Wilkhurst.....(Ward) 1 3 1 1
Lord Duke, b g by Jackdaw.....(Owen) 2 2 3 3
David Look, br g by Wilask.....(Casey) 6 1 4 2
Heir Reaper, bl h by Early Reaper.....(Hill) 4 4 2 4
Teana G., 3-5-5-5; Jim O'Shea, 7-6-6-6; Louise, 5-7-dis.; Merlo Mac, dis.
Time—2:15½, 2:16¼, 2:15¼, 2:16¼.

2:08 pace, purse $400:

Hal McKinney, b h by Hal B.....(Sebastian) 1 1 1
Columbia Fire, b g by Pactolus.....(Stantz) 2 2 2
Sir Lain, ro g by Earlain.....(Owen) 3 3 3
C. D. M., ch g by Norval Chief.....(Morrison) 4 4 4
Irene Beau, 5-dis.
Time—2:13¼, 2:10¼, 2:09.

Three-year-old trot, purse $200:

D. J. Burke, b g by The Corsair.....(Huber) 1 1
Daisy Tod, b f by George Todd.....(Rhodes) 2 2
Bin Bon, br c by Binjolla.....(Chandler) 3 3
Rose Hedgewood, br f by Hedgewood Boy....(Mead) 4 4
Time—2:29¼, 2:29½.

Three-year-old pace, purse $200:

Oregon Hal, b c by Hal B.....(Dennis) 3 1 1
Sir Archibald, bl c by Ash Bud.....(McKay) 1 3 2
Tahwanee Patch, b c by Dan Patch.....(Mead) 2 2 ro
Time—2:21¼, 2:20¼, 2:24¼.

Lee Axworthy Cuts M. and M. Record

Fifth Day at Detroit.

Detroit, Mich., July 30, 1915.—It was in 1889 that the sponsors of light harness racing in this city inaugurated what was destined to become one of the most famous fixtures of the trotting world, the Merchants and Manufacturers' stake, and with but one exception (1896), when it was raced at Cleveland, it has been contested annually over a local track, never failing to be a race of wonderful interest. Won originally by a Michigan bred horse, Hendryx by Dauntless, with the best time 2:18¾, it has drawn year after year the presence of the greatest trotters and drivers of the country. Not until 1893 was 2:15 beaten in the stake, when Johnny Goldsmith and the California mare Siva set the mark at 2:13¾. In 1898 John Kelley with Monroe Salisbury's great four-year-old, Directum Kelley, made the nearest approach to 2:10 to that time by winning the third heat in 2:11¼, and in 1901 another Californian, Eleata, put the famous classic in the 2:10 list by stepping her third and fastest heat in 2:08¾, a record that stood until 1907, when J. D. Springer came across the mountains with Sonoma Girl and cut the figures to 2:06¼. Not until 1914 was this time beaten, when Linda Wrona, winner of only third money, trotted the second heat in 2:05½, the former record having been equaled in the first heat by the unlucky Rythmell, who finished behind the flag the next time out. The names of many famous drivers have appeared in the roster of winners of the M. and M., and tonight we have a new record holder and a newcomer to the ranks of winning drivers—Lee Axworthy 2:04¾ and William J. Andrews, known more widely and much less formally as "Billy."

The M. and M. today was a great contest, with an even dozen starters recruited from the pick of the land and piloted by teamsters of similar caliber. The race throughout was clean cut and the contests of the very sharpest kind, the only regrettable feature of the event being the absence of Ed Geers, the "Grand Old Man of the Sulky" who has piloted six winners to victory in this classic. In the first heat, Andrews took his famous four-year-old out in front all the way, with seven horses coming into the stretch on almost even terms. Gradually Lee and Peter Scott drew away from the balance of the field, however, the youngster battling with his older rival and winning by a head in 2:06¼, Walter Cox and Worthy Prince outfooting the second delegation. Murphy set sail in earnest with his thirty-thousand-dollar trotter in the second heat and led to within a hundred yards of the wire, seemingly safe from attack from Andrews and his colt, who were back in the bunch. About this time Andrews began singing a little song to himself which those who were in hearing distance declared afterwards to resemble greatly that classic ballad of the two-a-day circuits, "You Don't Know Nellie Like I Do," and started to shake off the bunch that encumbered him. One by one they fell behind as Lee's rush lengthened, and in the last few feet the lad nosed out Scott in time that set a new mark for the stake, 2:04¾.

Charley Valentine had been driving Peter McCormick up to this time, but V. L. Shuler thought that he himself had the "key" to Peter a bit better than the Columbus trainer, so took the mount for the third heat. For a time it looked like McCormick, too, as he set the pace to the three-quarters in rapid time, but the big boy was going just a bit too fast and from there in the "trailers" had the legs of the party. Again Murphy and Andrews drew away together, and again went to the wire contesting every inch of the way; again Lee Axworthy's nose was in the clear in 2:04¾—and the M. and M. was over, though it took some time for the crowd to settle.

Tommy Murphy had more trouble on hand in the 2:13 pace, but had better success than in the big trot. Billy Snow and Bingen Pointer were the cause of Thomas' anxiety, as they never let up on the Poughkeepsie pair, Murphy and Ben Locanda, for a moment. Snow was always right there, and the finish of the second heat was so close that the judges waited for the development of a photographic plate before making the decision, the lens showing Bingen Pointer to have won by about as small a margin as was possible.

Ben Whitehead started in to make the 2:18 pace a runaway affair with Pat Carmody, winning the first heat in 2:08½. Old man jinx cut 'em down in the second, however, as Pat made a standstill break at the three-quarters and was distanced, Charley Valentine and the gray mare Altawood (third the first heat) winning that and the succeeding heats without great difficulties.

Colorado Range and Alanzo McDonald, second last week to Bondella and Tommy Murphy at North Randall, had the right of way in the Hotel Wayne Sweepstakes for 2:12 three-year-old trotters, though competition was not lacking. With Andrews giving all his attention to Lee Axworthy, Vance Nuckols had the mount behind the Pastime Stables candidate, Leonor McKinney, and made the Colorado colt trot the opening heat in 2:09½, while Pop Geers came along with Deroche and copped the second in 2:10¼. McDonald had the best of the argument in the final heat, as the John A. McKerron colt only forced him to trot in 2:13½ to win. The summaries:

Detroit, Mich., July 30, 1915.

2:13 pace, purse $1,000:

Ben Locanda, b h by Locanda.....(Murphy) 1 2 1 1
Bingen Pointer, b h by King Bingen..(Snow) 1 2 2 2
*Major Byers, bl g by The Abbe.....(Cox) 4 3 3 4
*Flaxy B. (Cares), Great Onward (Crummer) also started.
Time—2:08½, 2:10½, 2:09¼, 2:10.

*Divide third and fourth money.

M. and M., 2:08 trot, purse $10,000:

Lee Axworthy, b h by Guy Axworthy (Andrews) 1 1 1
Peter Scott, br h by Peter the Great (Murphy) 2 2 2
Worthy Prince, b h by Prince McKinney..(Cox) 3 4 3
King Clansman (McMahon), Peter McCormick (Valentine and Shuler), Bonington (Dickerson), The Duchess (McDonald), Albaloma (Quinn), Reusens (Rodney), Miss Directed (McDevitt), Wilgo (Marvin), Lucile Spier (Shank) also started.
Time—2:06¼, 2:04¾, 2:04¾.

2:18 pace, purse $1,000:

Altawood, gr m by Allenwood.....(Valentine) 3 1 1 1
Prestolite, bl m by Don Varick.....(Geers) 2 3 2 3
Billy Law, bl g by Law King.....(Squires) 4 2 3 2
Pat Carmody, br h by Al Stanley (Whitehead) 1 ds
Time—2:08½, 2:09¼, 2:08¾, 2:09.

Hotel Wayne Sweepstakes for three-year-old trotters eligible to 2:12 class, $600 added:

Colorado Range, b c by Colorado E..(McDonald) 1 2 1
Deroche, ch c by John A. McKerron.....(Geers) 5 1 2
Leonor McKinney, b f by McKinney...(Nuckolls) 2 4 ro
Lillian the Great (McDevitt), General French (Murray), Denali (Cox) also started.
Time—2:09½, 2:10¼, 2:13½.

Last Day at Detroit.

Detroit, July 31—Next to the M. and M., perhaps no race of the meeting attracted more widespread attention prior to its contesting than did the free-for-all pace, raced here this afternoon, as it was to witness the first meeting of the season between Directum I and William, with other cracks among the pacing stars thrown in for good measure. Frank Bogash Jr. was the only one of the original entries that failed to materialize, Ben Whitehead having the mount behind Flower Direct and His Honor, Mayor Shank, making his debut as Anna Bradford's pilot. Last year's contests between William and Directum I were not conclusive as to the actual and absolute superiority of either horse, and while Flower and Anna are both great girls and one of them, at least, a prospective two-minute pacer, the white-hot interest centered in the struggle between the stallions.

It was a real horse race, and laying aside all the ifs and ands and buts that always crop out in the "post mortems," there is little argument tonight that any but the best horse won. Things broke good for William in the start of the first heat and Marvin took him away fairly "boiling," opening up a good lead in the first quarter, the field processioned behind him—Directum I., Flower Direct and Anna Bradford in the order named. Past the half the trailers began creeping up, and at the head of the stretch Directum I. was only half a length to the bad. Under the wizardry of Murphy's reinsmanship he came steadily onward, creeping inch by inch up along William's side until he was on even terms. At the distance he pushed his muzzle to the front for a tiny advantage, and in a thrilling finish showed the way to the wire by a scant neck in 2:00¼, the fastest mile of the year and a new race record for the Detroit track.

The first heat left the wise folks guessing about as much as they were before the race, but in the following ones William demonstrated superior lasting power very decisively. Marvin allowed Murphy to cut out the pace in the second heat and the clip was much easier than that previously cut out by William, the watches showing 1:03 at the half. Here the stepping began, and the clip he had traveled in the first heat told on the eastern horse, William and Flower Direct both passing him, the former winning in 2:02, the last half having been turned in fifty-nine seconds. Murphy was expected to come back strong next time out, but last year's king pin was through. Anna Bradford showed the way to the three-quarters with Flower Direct second, William third, and Directum I. fourth, where he remained. When Marvin took William out for the brush to the wire he whizzed past the mares easily for a win in 2:04, but "the little red horse" had, to all appearances, an elegant sufficiency of fast miles for the time.

Fred Egan and Braden Direct put over a good one in the 2:03 pace, after Earl Jr. had won the first heat in 2:03½, with the Colorado pacer last. In the second heat he came from behind and copped from Earl Jr. and Peter Stevens in 2:02½, winning the third and fourth heats in much the same fashion but slower time. Margaret Druien straight-heated the 2:05 trotters, Rythmell, Star Winter and Joan, without having to trot as fast as at North Randall by nearly three seconds, and "Kentuck" Floyd's good four-year-old, The Eno, made delivery of the 2:16 trot in 2:10¼, 2:09¼ and 2:09¾, Seneca Boy and Glenwood B. splitting second and third money.

The Hotel Pontchartrain stake for 2:12 trotters was a hammer and tongs affair between Lettie Lee, Mirthful, McCloskey and Todd Temple, five heats being trotted from 2:08¼ to 2:10½. The daughter of Moko took the first two, driven out first by Todd Temple and then by Mirthful, McCloskey then coming to life to grab a pair from the girls. McDonald's gelding faded again, however, and Murphy slipped into second money by winning a heat with Mirthful, the best McCloskey got being a cut on third and

fourth money. The details:

Detroit, Mich., July 31, 1915.
Hotel Ponchartrain, 2:12 trot, purse $2,000:
Lettie Lee, b m by Moko.....(White) 1 1 4 2 2
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen....
.....(Murphy) 5 2 2 3 1
*McCoskey, br g by Theodosius (McDonald) 4 5 1 1 4
*Todd Temple, br g by Todd Mac...(Snow) 2 3 3 4 3
Lou Blossom (Childs), Mary Warren (Healey), Brooklyn Hal (Snedecker), June Red (McMahon), Miss Alice McGregor (McAllister), Axtien (Harris) also started.
Time—2:08¼, 2:09¼, 2:08¾, 2:09½, 2:10½.
*Divide third and fourth money.
2:05 trot, purse $1,500:
Margaret Druien, b m by Peter the Great (Cox) 1 1 1
Rythmell, bl m by Rythmic.....(Shank) 2 2 2
Star Winter, b g by Ed Winter.....(McDonald) 4 4 3
Joan (McDevitt) also started.
Time—2:07, 2:09, 2:07¾.
2:16 trot, purse $1,000:
The Eno, ch h by The Native.....(Floyd) 1 1 1
*Seneca Boy, ch g by King Entertainer (Fleming) 2 3 5
*Glenwood B., b g by Ben Burns.....(Purcell) 6 2 2
The Guide (Geers), Director Russell (Snedeker), Tommy Todd (Snow), Empress of Russia (Murray), Precious Cresceus (Stokes), Cacus Star (Hall) also started.
Time—2:10¼, 2:09¼, 2:09¾.
*Divide second and third money.
Free-for-all pace, purse $5,000:
William, b h by Abe J.....(Marvin) 2 1 1
Directum I., ch h by Directum Kelley..(Murphy) 1 3 4
Flower Direct, b m by Direct's Star (Whitehead) 3 2 2
Anna Bradford, bl m by Todd Mac.....(Shank) 4 4 3
Time—2:00¼, 2:02, 2:04.
2:03 pace, purse $1,500:
Braden Direct, bl h by Baron Direct...(Egan) 5 1 1 1
*Earl Jr., gr h by The Earl.....(Cox) 1 2 3 3
*Peter Stevens, b h by Peter the Great....
.....(Snedeker) 2 3 2 2
Pickles (Mott), R. H. Brett (Grady) also started.
Time—2:03½, 2:02½, 2:05½, 2:04½.
*Divide second and third money.

First Day at Kalamazoo.

Kalamazoo, Mich., August 4, 1915.—None of the Grand Circuit meetings of the season have escaped the wrath of the weather man, but Kalamazoo has been the worst sufferer of all. On Monday no effort was made to race, and on Tuesday a sudden shower just as the first field was about to be called caused a second postponement. Today, under conditions that were everything but favorable, Monday's card was raced over a slow track.

Only four starters showed up for the 2:08 pace, Aconite winning in straight heats and without any trouble to speak of, Margot Hal furnishing the best of the competition. The ten-year-old gelding F. A. L. in Curt Gosnell's stable also won in straight heats, the last mile being the only one in which he had much of a contest, Charley Valentine crowding him at the wire with Victor Star.

Pop Geers and St. Frisco routed the talent by taking the United Traction for 2:08 trotters after The Eno, a topheavy favorite, had won the first heat. Floyd's youngster was game and twice came after Pop and landed in second place, but the elderly gentleman and his San Francisco 2:07¾ trotter were too good. Favorites were also rudely handled in the 2:09 trot, which witnessed Lou Jennings' first reversal of form for the season, the daughter of Todd being absolutely no good in the heavy going. Geers and Guy Nella speared the first heat, Lou bringing up the rear, and when Hazel Laing and Billy Andrews lined out the second mile about five seconds faster the favorite was distanced, with Guy Nella a good second. Charley Valentine and Lizzie Brown then took a hand in the proceedings and annexed the succeeding three heats in time that was most excellent, considering the going. The summary:

Kalamazoo, Mich., Aug. 4, 1915.
2:08 pace, purse $1,000:
Aconite, bl h by Aquilin.....(Cox) 1 1 1
Margot Hal, b m by Argot Hal.....(McDonald) 3 2 2
Ben Locanda, b h by Locanda.....(Murphy) 2 3 4
The Climax, bl h by Gov. D. R. Francis (Brennan) 4 4 3
Time—2:09¼, 2:09½, 2:09¼.
Union Traction, 2:08 trot, purse $2,000:
St. Frisco, b h by San Francisco.....(Geers) 2 1 1 1
The Eno, ch h by The Native.....(Floyd) 1 2 4 2
Todd McGregor, ch h by Cochato...(Rodney) 6 4 2 7
McCloskey (McDonald), Miss Directed (McDevitt), Princess Margrave (Hall), Loe Blossom (F. Childs-Cox) also started.
Time—2:12¼, 2:13½, 2:12½, 2:13½.
2:09 trot, purse $1,000:
Lizzie Brown, b m by The Bondsman....
.....(Valentine) 4 4 1 1 1
Guy Nella, br m by Guy Axworthy..(Geers) 1 2 2 7 4
Hazel Laing, ch m by John A. McKerron..
.....(Andrews) 5 1 3 3 3
Bright Axworthy (Murphy), Grand Marshall (Snow), Dago (Grady), Reusens (Rodney), Lou Jennings (Brennan) also started.
Time—2:12¼, 2:09½, 2:09¾, 2:09¼, 2:11½.
2:13 trot, purse $1000:
F. A. L., b g by Anderson Wilkes.....(Gosnell) 1 1 1
Victor Star, b g by Star Simmons....(Valentine) 5 2 2
Nowaday Girl, b m by MacDougall.....(Lasell) 2 5 4
Great Sale (Murphy), John Gwynne (Shuler), Dick Watts (Rodney) also started.
Time—2:13¼, 2:11½, 2:13¼.

And Then It Rained.

Kalamazoo, Mich., August 5—A heavy shower at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon made it necessary to postpone the Grand Circuit harness races until tomorrow.

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Hi Hogoboom, who is planning to make his annual invasion of Oregon as usual this fall, has recently worked the green trotter The Bulletin (2) 2:28½ in 2:17, and his other Palo King trot horse, Honest Boy, a half in 1:05, with a quarter in :31. Marlin, the big pacer, is rounding to after an enforced letup from a slight lameness, and has gone the route this year in 2:09½, free legged. He is especially enthusiastic over a yearling colt by Jim Logan 2:01¾ and out of a Palo King mare, labeling the lad as the best pacer of his age he has yet seen.

SOME ENTRY LISTS—AND OTHERS.

During the course of a season a horse journal receives many entry lists of racing and fair associations, and it is interesting, although not always satisfying, to note the varying degree of completeness and accuracy in them. When it comes to the publication of these lists, or utilization in correcting race summaries, the impression of their quality becomes particularly strong upon the individual commissioned with the job of making "copy" out of them. Sometimes—not often, but sometimes—when the climbing mercury produces a wilting collar and a profuse perspiration said individual is likely to voice his appreciation of some lists he peruses in words that curl and hiss. Usually the slow class events are the most provoking in cases where the owner, secretary, printer, proofreader, and possibly a few other "middle men" have conspired to put on paper weird, unearthly cognomens that should, if ever carried, drive horses to drink or barb wire hopples.

The responsibility for such lists, we believe, rests more with owners than with any of the other parties to the conspiracy, for it is true that owners are extremely negligent in preparing entries. In several instances we recall, the names of performers, through careless writing of entries, have been distorted until, incorporated in official volumes in the revised form, it became impossible to identify the horses with the names originally bestowed by the owners. Perforce, the latter given cognomens were accepted as final.

The reader will readily understand, we think, the difference in identifying the record animals from the recordless ones, for herein the official volume of the Year Book plays its part. For instance, if in the free-for-all pace at Brown's Corners a terrifying combination of characters should appear like this—"Skywenzcs Tzla," a few pulls on the corn-cob pipe, a hurried trip through the index of Mr. Best's latest effort, a glance at the map of the United States and some shifts of the cipher code accomplishes the desired result, and behold, we have Tipperary Tom 2:04¾, ready for publication. Likewise if the class in which "Mnxtoubsyc" is entered seems to betoken that he or she has paraded before grandstands in years gone by, the above operation is repeated (with occasional variations), and our dauntless typewriter digests the unearthly aggregation of letters and makes out of it clearly and plainly "Lad of the Rockies" 2:02½, a sweet going pacer that has faced the starter an hundred times or more, and always got by.

But the green events—yes, the green events, there's the rub! No friendly official volume lends a helping leaf. The compiler of the Year Book, from his official domicile in the Windy City, has never cast an eye on a vast number of so-called names which are distressing the printer, blinding the proofreader, puzzling the reader, and making out of the horse journal man who is over-careful an irredeemable sinner, or a raving madman.

So, with all the good intentions in the world, but lacking greatly in confidence, the scribe tackles the great problem of how "Mhglosxytrnwolds" should be arranged to appear in his paper. There appears to be no precedent established for such cases. No rule is there whether vowels or consonants should lead or the slightest guide for putting a new cognomen on the noble steed that is concealed somewhere underneath the wilderness of the alphabet, which a misguided compositor has gathered carelessly in a convenient corner and fired into the maw of a relentless machine. But a name he must have and it's up to the man at the typewriter keys to provide something more euphonious than the above appears. Then the temperament of the worker shows forth. If, perchance, he should lack the finer instincts, and spend his leisure hours hanging over the back fence arguing with his neighbor over the real truth about the defeat of Jack Johnson, the Thaw case, or why Mrs. Brown went down town and never took her husband along, the wanderings of a depraved mind are sure to be illustrated in his interpretation of the miscellaneous assemblage as "One Round Hogan," "Billy Boozefighter" or others of a par value.

But if the operator of the keys be a man who is versed some in the knowledge of the publicist, he may construct from the same helpless jumble "Grape Juice Bryan the Second," "King Roosevelt," or another of similar tone. Likewise, he who has the artistic sense developed highly may build from the illegible mass which binds the poor animal to the paper, a sweet sounding title, suggesting Christmas chimes, babbling brooks, or a moonlit sea. The possibilities are limitless, but in all cases the nature of the "reconstructor" is indelibly attached.

Thus may the reader, if he desires to while away a few leisure moments, amuse himself with the entry lists and determine the human capabilities and frailties of the man behind the typewriter in the office.

But, the majority of the lists which appear—and blessings on the authors in this world and the next—show much effort on the part of the overworked secretaries. If they have had proper aid from the printers, they are lists not only dependable, but extended in information, with name, sex, color of the animal, and with name and address of owner complete. Each year there is apparently some progress in this respect, and from the abominable creations of a few years back, we trust the near future will produce a condition where it will be the exception for lists to appear with little more than the number of entries incorporated.—Western Horseman.

TRAINING AT NORTH PACIFIC TRACKS.

Centralia-Chehalis.

Quite a little bunch of horses are working at t Southwest Washington fair grounds, half way t tween Centralia and Chehalis, Washington. Wo has jut been done that puts the track in first-cla condition, so it will be fast—as it always is—aga this year. There are always good accommodatio good water and plenty of grass, something not fou at many tracks, and as fair time draws near mo horses are expected.

C. W. Todd, with Tom Gorman in charge, has t old campaigners, Haltamont 2:05¼ and Bonnie A trim 2:12. Both are looking well. They are entere all the way round the circuit.

J. S. Sanford has Indian Hal 2:14¼, owned by Sa Agnew and J. G. Wilson of Centralia, and Halmett by Hal B. The latter is owned by Agnew alone. H has been changed from the trot to the pace and i showing quite a lot of speed, and Indian Hal is stron and going good. Both of these are entered aroun the circuit.

Holton Martin has quite a string. Only one o them is certain to be raced, though the others may Mary W., a green mare by Malcolm, owned by Geo Woods of Satsop, Wash., is entered here and at Elma Wash., and gives promise of "doing things." Marti worked her the other day alongside of Indian Hal an Haltamont, with several watches held on her, makin the mile in 2:27 or better, last half in 1:11, and las quarter in 34½ seconds, on a track five seconds slow

Two mares owned by Arthur Remington, of Olym pia, are in Martin's charge, and both are working very nicely, but probably will not be raced. They ar Floramel, a full sister to Irene 2:19¼, by Martin's Florida, and Alta Zoe, by Zombrook, son of Zombro dam by a son of Altamont.

He also has three of his own horses, Baryta, by Burion, dam by Bay Bird, is a big handsome horse that has made a season. So has his old horse Mar tin's Florida, by Florida M., son of Hamiltonian 10. Both look well and Baryto may enter a late closing race. A four-year-old colt by Martin's Florida, a full brother to Irene, completes the string.

Henry Helman is expected up from Salinas, Cal., in a few days with five or six horses.

There are also a few runners at the track. F. Heavner has Ducal Crown and Sallie Mint, and G. W. Robinson has Alchemist and Lieut. Sawyer. All of these horses raced at Independence and Monmouth.

The free-for-all trot has been re-opened as a late closing event. Col. Woods of Missouri has been employed as starter and everything points toward a successful meet.

Spokane.

We have as many or more horses in training at Spokane this year than ever before, and the track has been in the best possible condition all summer. The weather, of course, has been somewhat against training on account of the rain, but our horses are all in good condition and quite a few of them will get their drivers and owners to the cashier's office after the races.

First on the line is T. A. Huson with a nice pacer, Gazelle Deer, and three nice trotters that are learning to go very well. Next on the list is the Hon. Dan Rice, with Lottie Dishman, that has always been a good consistent race mare and never looked better in her life. On down the line is Dave Young, with Nellie J., two three-year-old pacers by Gyr Falcon, and two other three-year-olds. Next is Eddie Thomas with Truxton King and Peter R., and many trotters will not beat the Peter R. horse in 1915. Next down the line is E. C. Payne with Glenrose, Big Squaw, Teddy Ham, and Jerusha Dillard, all being prepared for the Northwest circuit, and Rastus and Squaw Dillard on the schooling list. Next is John Gordon with Fritzie Ruben and a black gelding out of Umatilla, and John thinks very well of him. The last man down the line is a Mr. Maxwell, with Sister Norte, and a chestnut mare by Sherlock Holmes, and two or three green ones. Mr. Maxwell is a stranger to the Northwest racing fraternity, but seems to know the game.—Rural Spirit.

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BRANDON, MAN., CAN.

(Half-mile Track; American Rules; Old System.)
July 20—2:20 pace and 2:15 trot, $800:
Dick Mayburn, b g by Will Mayburn.....(Sproule) 1 1 1
Hamamato, br h by Searchlight.....(Dompier) 2 2 9
Stars Points, b g by Five Points.....(McGirr) 8 8 2
Judge Direct, breeding wanted.....(Heiple) 9 3 3
Other starters not reported.
Time—2:15¼, 2:17¼, 2:18¼.
2:12 pace and 2:07 trot, $800:
Hal Chief, b h by Hal B.....(Matheson) 1 1 1
Scarlet Trent, b h by Parovas.....(Brown) 2 3 2
Mischief, b h by General Forrest.....(Piggott) 3 2 2
Holly Brand, b g by The Tidal Wave..(McDonald) 4 4 4
Time—2:16¼, 2:14¼, 2:14½.
July 21—2:30 trot, $800:
Katie Todd, breeding wanted.....(Haag) 1 1 5 1
Midnight Oro, blk h by Ore Wilk...(Johnson) 3 2 1 2
Canuck, b g by Vermont.....(McGregor) 2 3 3 3
Alta Mac, blk m by Redlac.....(Carter) 8 4 2 4
The Fact, 5-6-4-5; Adeline, 6-5-6-6; Senorita, 7-7-7-7.
Time—2:17¼, 2:16¼, 2:16¼, 2:17.
2:09 pace and 2:04 trot, $800:
King Bond, br h by The Bondsman.....(Tervis) 1 1 1
Nelly G., blk m by Simored.....(Matheson) 3 2 2
Foster, blk h by Robbie Wilkes.....(Markham) 2 3 3
Knight Onwardo, b h by Twelfth Night..(Murray) 4 4 4
Time—2:14, 2:12¼, 2:13¼.

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Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

NOTES and NEWS

Matinee Sunday at the exposition.

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Lee Axworthy's second and third heats in the M. and M. in 2:04¾ certainly stamp him as a wonderful trotter.

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Miss Perfection won one of the few races pulled off at Davenport for Charley DeRyder, 2:11¼ being the fastest time.

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Ed Geers, much to the disappointment of thousands of friends, failed to have a mount in the M. and M., the Guide not being in shape to start.

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Sam Hoy and Elmo Montgomery moved their training quarters last week from Woodland to Sacramento, where they are holding forth at Agricultural Park.

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Welcome grand old Dan Patch to the ranks of century sires. The one hundredth performer arrived last Friday and is a two-year-old trotter, Carlos Patch (2) 2:29.

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Westerners extend the glad hand to Fred Egan and Braden Direct, the Colorado pair winning a great race Saturday at Detroit. A second heat in 2:02½ is some rambling.

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Four harness races will be staged Wednesday afternoon at the P.-P. I. E. course in connection with the butchers' day celebration. The fields are good and some nice sport is expected.

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Several California stables will ship to the northwest this week or next to take in the North Pacific circuit, winding up at Salem early in October in ample time to pull in here for the fall meeting at the exposition.

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There are persistent rumors down east that the Grand Circuit meeting at Empire City Park will not be given. Similar rumors were current last season concerning the June meeting at the exposition, too, so you can't always tell.

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The ways are all greased for the launching of that good ship "Running Meeting" on August 21 at the exposition track, as Reno will close a few days early in order to allow horses there to be on deck for the opening here as originally planned.

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Colonel Jim Thompson, having manufactured some speed at San Jose and had his fair share of what breeding is being done with L. H. Todhunter's good youngster, Peter McKlyo (3) 2:12½, is back at the old familiar place at Agricultural Park, Sacramento.

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The Great Westerners finally got in a day's racing Thursday at Peoria, only one Californian starting. Charley DeRyder and Madam Mac pulled down second money in the 2:27 pace and the brown mare evidently was pretty good, as Sayde Densmore had to travel one mile in 2:08¼ in order to win.

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George Gano 2:02, with Murray Anderson weighing in at 145 pounds, clipped a quarter of a second from Kruger's saddle record of 2:12 last Friday at Savage, and a further reduction will no doubt be made before the season is over. Eddie Hanson, driving the runner in the flight against the watch, got a nasty fall by reason of his mount choking down and going through the fence, but no permanent injuries resulted.

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Believing that "home" was the most comfortable place for both horses and men during the summer, Budd Doble recently shipped back to Hemet Stock Farm with the stable that has been in training at San Jose since April. The youngsters of the family got away with the greater portion of the money in the exposition stakes for three-year-olds, and will be back for more at the fall meeting, with others for the two-year-old divisions of the classics.

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Though there will be no State Fair this season, Secretary Paine's salary is coming along regularly and C. W. is putting in good hours seeing that the grounds are not only maintained but considerably improved. Buildings are in excellent condition and a new one or so being provided for, while vines and shrubbery have been put out in profusion and the system of well kept lawns considerably extended. Some day California will have a real fair ground.

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C. D. Stevens, who has been making such a favorable impression at Reno as a starter, has been engaged to officiate in a similar capacity at the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association meeting here. Stevens handled the barrier last fall at Phoenix and showed that he knew his business, and he should, as he took all his early lessons from Mars Cassidy. His vocabulary is hardly so startlingly picturesque as Cassidy's, but the results attained are quite similar.

W. J. K. 2:07½—
Bondalean (3) 2:10½—
John Mack 2:11—
Lucia S. 2:13—
King Pointer 2:13½—
Aerolite Jr. 2:14—

Serve to give a pretty fair idea of the racing in evidence at the charity matinee at Sacramento last Sunday.

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Kalamazoo and Peoria were both rained out during the early part of the week.

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Through an unfortunate accident, Superintendent Dowling of Woodland Stock Farm recently deemed it advisable to put to death the double producing matron Lauress by Mendocino, one of the most highly regarded mares on the farm. She was the dam of the pacer Laura Rodgers 2:11¼ and the two-year-old trotting filly Sadie Ansel (2) 2:23½, the Considine candidate for this year's stakes. Lauress' 1915 foal, a spunky chestnut stud by Prince Ansel, is being raised "by hand" and is doing famously to date.

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Dick Johnson, who has been at Woodland since April with a few horses belonging to Robert Ogden of Dunnigan, has been making nice progress with the older ones, recently working Alta W. at the trot in 2:22¾ and Gipsey Girl in 2:14 pacing, the former being by Iran Alto out of Yolo Girl by Lynwood W., and the latter by Stanford 2:23½ from a daughter of Alexander Button. Mr. Ogden plans to construct a training track at home this winter, and with any sort of luck at all Dick expects to be ready to go to the races with a few horses next season.

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Since returning home from the exposition Harry Dowling has devoted most of his attention at Woodland to the farm's futurity prospects, and has some good material to work on for both the two- and three-year-old trots. Ruth Ansel has worked in 2:19 with a half in 1:06, while the other three-year-old Yolo King is credited with a mile in 2:23, a half in 1:05 and a quarter in :31¾. Among the two-year-olds Joe Watkins and Jim Hardeman are going good halves and quarters, but the likeliest one is the Prince Ansel—Lauress filly, Sadie Ansel, who has gone the route in 2:21, with a half in 1:07 and quarter in :31. Harry is also handling six yearlings, all trotters and all making nice progress. The Lexington contingent is stepping along, a letter last week stating that Anselot (brother to Lottie Ansel, Prince Lot, etc.) had trotted a half in 1:16 with a quarter in :36½, while Verbena Ansel had tramped the middle distance in 1:12½.

FALLACY OF EARLY COLTS.

"To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven." With the advent of two- and three-year-old stakes, there has arisen a desire to have the foal come as early in the year as possible, believing that the additional strength gained by a month or two of age enables the colt to stand the severe strain of training and racing. Investigation of dates of foaling of our greatest young horses, that is the champion colt performers, would seem to prove that breeders are antagonizing nature in early breeding, and while they may produce size and strength do not produce tissue of champion quality. But one champion colt of the past eight years was foaled before April 1st, and he only two days prior to this date. Evidently the breeding season has been fixed by nature for the greatest benefit of the coming generation, that birth may take place at a time when proper food is plentiful and climatic conditions most acceptable. It is well known that almost all animals, except man, have a stated season for the propagation of their species. It is also highly probable that the primitive man had a breeding season. The spring and summer are the seasons for the amours of birds and many species of fish, while the immense tribe of insects select the finest part of the year.

The breeding season is associated with a stimulus which is manifest by exceptional vigor and bodily conditions, which is demonstrated by the pregnancity of the male and restless activity of the female. It is further demonstrated by hypertrophy of the organs, congestion of the mucous membranes, and the activity of correlated glands. It is evidently the result of definite stimuli, which are partly external and partly internal. The migration of the birds is invariably the result of an increase in the size of the ovaries and testes and when these begin to shrink, after the breeding season is over, they depart much more quickly than when they came.

In the horse the male has no rutting season, therefore is capable of copulation at any time, but the female has only a restricted period which recurs every eighteen days. These periods usually begin in the early spring and continue through the summer but with less intensity and shorter duration, but can be produced at other times by stimulus of food or drugs. But nature does her work with full preparation and at seasonable time perfectly, so the question must arise, if heat produced by external or artificial stimulus will also increase the ovarian metabolism so that there may be follicles present in suffciently mature condition to admit of ovulation, or if ovulation should take place, can an ovule produced under such abnormal conditions, although fertilized by a perfectly normal sperm, be expected to mature an embryo with the highest potentialities of the race?

It has been proven that "heat" and ovulation are not necessarily associated, it frequently requiring the stimulus of coition to cause the egg to be shed, even under normal conditions and when service is had under such forced conditions it is doubtful if ovulation takes place at all. We think this is the chief reason why so few mares get with foal when bred before the seasonable time. And should they produce from the abnormally early service, the egg is too immature to develop the best results. But should a good colt come at an unseasonable time, there is no argument that it would not have been better had nature's course been followed. This would seem to be indicated by the dates of birth of athletes and ball players, as it has been recently found by investigation that the best were born from April to October.

The best colt trotters have been foaled from March 29 to June 2, as the following dates show. Peter Volo, March 29; The Harvester, May 18; Native Bell, April 9; Colorado E., June 1; General Watts, June 1; Justice Brook, June 2; Anna Bradford, May 17. These colts were all champions in races, and their environment must have been perfect from conception. When mated, their sires and dams must have been in that condition, which unrestricted nature alone can impel, and from April to July her best constructive work is done. It is during this period that seeds untouched by the hand of man germinate and reproduce their kind. It is at this time that the greatest growth is made by plant life and the most perfect fruit is formed. Animal life is but the replica of plant life and undomesticated animals following natural instincts reproduce their kind at this season. Can man improve upon nature?—H. M. Jones, in The Horseman.

MODIFICATION OF QUARANTINE BRIGHTENS OUTLOOK AT P.-P. I. E.

The west is hungry for live stock, and now that there have been modifications in the quarantine that has been maintained because of the foot-and-mouth disease, business will be resumed and breeders and dealers can fill their delayed orders.

According to the new bulletin, Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Nevada, Nebraska, North Dakota, New Mexico, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington and Wyoming can ship animals into San Francisco accompanied by a certificate of inspection issued by a duly authorized federal or state veterinary inspector and the mailing of a copy of such certificate to the State Veterinarian at Sacramento, California.

Horses, poultry and pigeons can be shipped from any part of the United States to San Francisco, but before making shipments of any kind, the veterinarian of the state from which the shipment comes, and the veterinarian of California should be consulted.

From Delaware, Iowa, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana and Tennessee, cattle, sheep or swine may be shipped into this state after securing a permit from the State Veterinarian of California.

From Arkansas, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina and Texas, all classes of live stock, except cattle, may be brought into California if accompanied by a certificate of inspection issued by a duly authorized State Veterinary Inspector, and the mailing of a copy of such certificate to the State Veterinarian by the transportation agent who receives such live stock for shipment.

The tuberculin test naturally applies to cattle, except those that are intended for exhibition at the Exposition. There are several other states that are in process of being cleaned up, and it is reasonably safe to assume that within plenty of time in advance of the show dates at San Francisco, every section of the United States will be privileged to make shipments of live stock.

CROUCH & SON BUY FAMOUS HEREFORDS.

J. Crouch & Son, owners of the Lafayette Stock Farm, Lafayette, Ind., hitherto the most extensive importers of Percheron and Belgian draft stallions and mares in this country, have purchased the entire herd of Herefords owned by J. W. Van Natta. Included in the transfer are some ninety-five head, among them the herd bulls Perfection Fairfax 6th and Tippecanoe 7th, together with all the famous show and breeding cows and young stock. Messrs. Crouch & Son have been accumulating some good cattle for some little time past and now by the purchase of this Van Natta collection step at once into the front rank among the breeders of whitefaces.

There need be no question as to their future success. Their methods are those that do not admit of failure. They have built up the largest horse importing business at present in existence and they number among their clients more rich men than all the others put together. They are well known wherever heavy horses are bred and the liberality of their policy and the magnificence of their exhibits are too well known to need more than passing mention. If they go into the business of exhibiting their cattle, which it is quite likely they will unless they have changed mightily within a few months, the other breeders will have to step some to hold their present locations.—Live Stock World.

COMMUNITY HORSE BREEDING.

[By E. A. Trowbridge, Breezers' Gazette.]

Community breeding has been a potent factor in live stock improvement and agricultural prosperity. During the past ten years it has received considerable attention and has been responsible for much advancement. Co-operative effort has had to develop under many different circumstances and as a result of different stimuli, but it has developed.

As community breeding is generally conceived of it consists of a number of individuals, interested in the same breed or type of animals, banded together, usually operating under a constitution and by-laws with elective officers and stated places and dates for meeting. Their co-operative effort is for general advancement of the breed or type in question and the particular development and advancement of that breed or type in their own community. This community interest in efficient farm animals carries with it the development of agricultural practices and community prosperity, and the particular advancement of those individuals directly interested.

These are the facts as observed by a casual study of conditions in localities known as community breeding centers. But it must be fully realized that back of these easily discerned facts there lies some impelling force which furnishes the basis for development. Where community effort is on a permanent footing this force is usually found in the form of an economic possibility and a man or group of men. Without the former any organization must die of its own failure to give results; without the latter a good cause may become obscured and discontinued for lack of attention and effort. At the base of the entire superstructure of formal organization must lie the ability and desire to co-operate, to work with others and for others, to be willing to share the responsibility as well as the results, and really to become possessed of the community plan and spirit.

This is the foundation of co-operative effort without which satisfactory results are at least uncertain. Where these fundamental factors are present, however, it is quite possible for community effort to establish remarkable results, even without the aid of a close organization controlled by well-defined rules and regulations. It is probably true that in such cases even greater results could be secured by the closer and more readily used organization, but some good has been done in this direction without it.

It is such a community that is here concerned. In 1898, just at the beginning of the period of rejuvenation of the horse business, S. Kann, a horse buyer of Eau Claire, Wis., was in need of more horses to supply the trade. He had heard that it might be possible to pick up a few serviceable horses at Mondovi, a town of 1,500 people 25 miles south of Eau Claire. It was in this section that I was reared on a farm. Eau Claire was a thriving town of 25,000 people in Wisconsin, liyng about 80 miles southeast of the Twin Cities. It lies at the southern edge of the vast Wisconsin pinery or lumber region which flourished and made millions for men in the latter years of the last century. As the timber has been cleared away, however, clover, corn, oats and the thrifty stock-farmer have occupied the land, consequently there has been a constant demand for horses, either for "the woods" or for the farm.

Mr. Kann, facing a shortage of stock, finally billed the town and one Saturday morning in the spring of 1898 made his first appearance in the streets of Mondovi to buy such horses as he could use from any among those offered for sale. He found a few good chunks weighing up to 1,500 pounds, but most of the horses offered were of less weight. He found many all-purpose horses weighing from 1,100 to 1,300 pounds, showing both trotting and draft blood and not satisfactorily filling his requirements. Naturally he bought those that suited at good prices and those which did not suit but which he could sell at prices in keeping with their actual value for his purpose. He left with their owners those horses that were too leggy or light-boned or wasp-waisted or otherwise unfit. The buyer's success is securing horses was such that his weekly visit became regular and by his presence the attention of farmers, bankers and merchants was called to the possibilities of the draft horse business.

A few men in the locality had been sufficiently far-sighted to bring draft stallions to the community a few years previously to this time and it was soon observed that the horses that brought the highest prices were the get of Greely, Telemac, Bylander, Emir, Cinq Mars and the few other pure-bred draft stallions, which had left their impress upon the stock of the community. Farmers were anxious to make their horse business profitable, but up to this time no such opportunity had presented itself. They had bred horses that suited their purpose very well, but now discovered that the rugged, heavier sorts commanded better prices. As a consequence the next spring saw an increased patronage of draft stallions. Grade draft mares changed hands among farmers and were put to breeding. The owners of draft stallions were glad to see the buyer in town. Mare-owners solicited his opinion of stallions and it was given with a frankness and conservatism which had great weight in moulding the draft horse ideal of the community.

The weekly appearance of the buyer on the streets and his constant preference for rugged, sound, stout horses of draft horse lineage had a cumulative effect. Owners of good draft stallions saw the demand for the services of their horses increase. In the beginning mare-owners were not particular, past the point of securing draft blood regardless of superiority of type and quality, but by the gradual process of education through observation and experience they became more critical and were satisfied only with stallions of real merit. With this impetus there was soon felt a need for more good draft stallions. The purchase of these horses demanded money, ability and confidence in the business of producing heavy horses profitably.

Among those who had been able to look into the future was Hon. W. L. Houser, an editor and a farmer and at that time Chief Clerk of the Wisconsin Assembly and later Secretary of State for Wisconsin. He had purchased a high-class Percheron stallion and a Clydesdale. He also purchased a few pure-bred mares of each of these breeds. The stallions were put into public service and did a good business.

Attention had been turned toward the draft horse business and its possibilities observed. The value of good breeding stock was being more generally appreciated. More mares were being bred and greater care was exercised in their reservation and selection. There was no longer a question as to the business possibilities of owning good draft horses so long as the supply did not exceed the need. More men brought purebred draft stallions into the community for public service and the business assumed gradually expanding proportions. As the years passed the weekly visit of the buyer gave financial proof of the wisdom of draft horse production. His regularity in appearance and conservatism and honesty in dealing made for permanency and confidence. The increased interest led to a closer study of demands and an appreciation of merit and a general education as concerns the management of horse affairs.

Several agencies were lending aid to this development of a safe, sound business in a farming locality. The Wisconsin Farmers' Institute with such men as Geo. McKerrow and H. A. Briggs on the lecture platform was encouraging sane, conservative and constructive methods. The college of agriculture of that state each year sent its representative to act as judge of the live stock at the Buffalo County Fair, held at Mondovi. To the short course in agriculture were going many young men from that community, most of whom were returning with the unmistakable evidence of instruction from such men as Henry, Carlyle, Moore, Alexander and Humphrey. Later came the stallion law which put the mare-owner in a safer position as regards the public service horses.

To the farmers of the community all these influences were forcing the same general conclusion, namely, the wonderful possibilities of draft horse production in that locality. Not the least important of these influences was the buyer with big checks for good horses. A few years ago Dr. A. S. Alexander of the agricultural college at Madison helped in the organization of a horse breeders' association, which has been of much service to the people interested. After thirteen years the community had come to know this horse buyer and late in 1911 on one of his weekly trips Mr. Kann received a handsome medal valued at $65 and accompanied by a statement of appreciation signed by 200 farmers, merchants and others.

It is now more than sixteen years since the horse buyer made his first trip. With one exception no other buyer had made a serious effort to buy horses in that locality. The people know this one man and depend upon him. During this sixteen years the status of horse affairs at this point has changed materially. The number of horses produced in the community has greatly increased. The quality of horses had been greatly improved. Where a half-dozen purebred draft stallions were doing a fair business in 1898 there now can be found 20 good pure-bred stallions doing a good business within a radius of six miles from this town. Where many geldings were once kept for farm work brood mares, which produce foals besides, are now used. Horses for sale are not as numerous as in the past. They are sold as soon as they arrive at a marketable age. The percentage of misfits and culls produced and offered for sale has gradually decreased. Good stallions and mares are now highly appreciated. International prize winners have replaced some of the grade stallions of the earlier days. Many purebred mares ha been purchased by farmers and are now working a raising salable breeding horses.

From the locality have gone horses that have ma both reputation and money for their produce Among these horses are Princess Fortune, tw champion Clydesdale female at the Internation Principal, winner of the stallion division of the N tional Percheron Futurity at the Iowa State Fair 1913, and also champion Percheron stallion at t Wisconsin fair in 1914; Honorable Baccaratt, an ternational prizewinner as a yearling, also first-pri three-year-old Percheron stallion at the Wiscons State Fair in 1914; Queen Tizzie, first-prize two-ye old Percheron mare and American-bred champion the Wisconsin State Fair in 1908; Amaryllis, a cha pion Clydesdale mare at the Wisconsin State Fai Primrose, a first-prize winner as a yearling and tw year-old; King Coco, High Mark, Winsom Prince Grand Triumph and many other show horses.

There have been sold from this center an avera of 400 horses each year for the last 16 years at average of $200 per head, which means that the dra horse business has added to the receipts of t farmers of the vicinity during that time a total $1,280,000. Thus this community has progressed the production of horses. Horse production has con to be one of the integral profit-producing projects the average farm, besides serving as aid in oth production. It has become general and not high specialized; that is, there are a few good horses pr duced on every farm rather than a large number



Excellent types of the pure bred draft stock in California SHIRE MARES

both imported and "California bred" at Henry Wheatley's Salvador Stock Farm, Napa—The actual cost of production is no greater than that of raising grades, and the profits sufficiently large to offset the increased cost of foundation stock.

This type of development lies at the basis of suc cessful community production of grade draft horse for the open market. The changes which have oc curred in present stock and annual receipts are no the results of a large outlay of capital but of constan improvement through grading up.

The horse business has assumed commanding pro portions. It helped to start the community toward better ideals as regards production. The horse busi ness has made smoother the path to the organizatior of local dairy cattle clubs and the efficient teaching of agriculture in the city and rural schools. In short it furnished the impetus which brought this com munity to a realization of its possibilities.

While this town is not known as one where the community breeding of draft horses has been conducted, yet at the basis of its progress lie the factors which make community breeding centers possible It has been a community breeding center, yet it would hardly recognize itself under that name. A more thorough organization might yet be perfected and bring with it some additional benefits and a realization of even greater results. It must be said, however, that this community has accomplished remarkable results in breeding grade drafters for profit since I left it to take up animal husbandry instruction first in Wisconsin and later at the University of Missouri.

No breeds of dairy or beef cattle have as yet been found hardy enough to stand the winters in the interior of Alaska without excessive expense for food and protection against cold. As a result milk sells for 50 cents a quart and the beef that is consumed in the country consists almost wholly of cold-storage meat brought from the outside, although occasionally a herd of steers is driven in from the coast, the trip to Fairbanks taking a month or six weeks. To partly remedy this situation it is proposed by the Alaska Experiment Stations to cross the yak and the Galloway with the hope of producing an animal hardy enough to withstand the severe conditions in interior Alaska. This was suggested by the fact that the yak, which is much used by the Mongolians for meat and milk, as well as for work, is extremely hardy, obtaining his feed through the long and extremely cold Mongolian winter practically without assistance. According to the director of the Russian experiment station at Irkutsk, Siberia, the yak pastures through the winter under the open sky and obtains feed from last year's dead grass dug from under the snow. Crosses of the yak and ordinary domestic cattle are easily obtained and are common in Mongolia, where they seem to thrive under primitive and severe conditions.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

ROOK SHOOTING.

The English rook, though classed in the list of "rmin," affords sport in the spring to both the oner and his peregrines, as well as to the gunner. ook shooting cannot be considered a very supe- r form of sport, yet it comes during the gunners' season, affording him amusement when game ds are tabu.

The particular charm about rook shooting is that is carried on at a fascinating time of year, when ring has really asserted itself, and the general roundings are delightful. The weather is usually rm, which mitigates what would be otherwise an treme discomfort, i. e., standing about beneath the es, which is necessitated in the participation of e sport. There is a certain amount of pleasure, so, in bringing down the young rooks from the top- st branches of some towering elm, when one members the havoc committed by their sable ances- rs among the pheasant and other game birds' eggs ring the breeding season, for rooks are arch- bbers and miscreants where eggs are concerned.

The shotgun is hardly ever used in the sport, most ople preferring a small-bore rifle. Rook shooting ith the latter weapon may be either easy or diffi- lt, depending on the character of the trees in which e nests are built, and the state of the weather the time of shooting.

Rooks have rather peculiar preferences with regard the trees in which a rookery is formed; sometimes ey occupy low limber and at other times the tallest ees are chosen in which to form a colony. For reference, if high elm trees are available they will nvariably be chosen by the birds, and when such is ne case rook shooting becomes a sport requiring no mall skill on the part of the gunner. A rook sitting n the topmost twig of a tall elm tree affords an xceedingly minute mark, more especially if the tree s swayed by the wind.

The young birds only form a mark for the gunner, he older members of the rookery circling high in ir, far out of shot, loudly cawing a warning to their ffspring who are in danger from the rifles; a warn- ng which in most cases is utterly and entirely neg- ected by the youngsters. The old birds are far too unning to ever come within range, although they manifest extreme anxiety for their offspring.

The young birds, when sufficiently well grown, hop from the nest cnto some adjoining branch, where they remain motionless; these are termed "branch- ers" and form the by no means easy target for the shooter. The greatest skill on the part of the gunner is required when the branches are swayed by a gentle wind, which also influences the course of the rifle bullet, as well as causing the target to move in like manner. The usual method of successfully cop- ing with the young rook on a moving limb, is to note the place where the branch reaches at the extreme limit of its swing, and then shoot at the instant when it begins the return movement.

Much ammunition will be wasted before the novice can make a fair average of kills. Should a strong wind be blowing, not a bird will be seen out of the nests, for the old birds teach them as soon as they are hatched to lie low when a gale is raging. During severe storms many nests are overturned and the young blown out, a lesson which has often been a warning to the parents to be later transmitted to their offspring.

In the early days of May the shooter watches the rookery closely for signs of the first birds to leave the nests. When the trees are very high a glass is required to see them clearly, and the first thing to be noticed is a black beak protruding from the side; the following day a head appears, and then the bold- est of the brood is to be seen in full view, perched on the side of the nest. It is useless to use the rifle until the young birds sit well out on the adjoin- ing branches, for when hit they invariably fall back into the nest, the last effort always directed to crawling into their home of sticks. The parent birds use every inducement to attract the youngsters out onto the nearby branches, well knowing that it is a necessary preliminary to their flying. They bring food to them and caw noisily until the young ones come out and fetch it, the boldest individual in the lead, after which the rest soon follow the example. Then it is time to go out with the rifle and do execu- tion among the sable colony.

Occasionally a falling bird will stick fast in the branches or fork of a tree, necessitating a climb on the shooter's part to extricate it unless he be accompanied by some village urchin, ready to risk his neck and his clothes in the ascent.

As an edible quantity, young rooks are excellent when made into a pie, the breast parts alone being used in its manufacture. It depends largely on the weather, as to what the quality of the young rooks will be like, during the eight or ten days of the rook shooting season. Wet weather, with the ground moist and earth worms and slugs plentiful will be respon- sible for full broods of rooks all plump and in good condition. If such be the case the shooting should be begun early, as the youngsters then mature quickly and are soon able to fly. If the season be dry, with the ground hard and a scarcity of insect food, it means hard labor for the parent birds to gather enough supplies for the nestlings, the result of which means heavy losses amongst the broods.

People aver that it is only during hard times that rooks plunder the nests of other birds for their eggs, but such is not the case, even though originally it may have been so; for once let young rooks be brought up an an egg diet and they will ever after have a craving for such delicacies, which they will enjoy to the uttermost upon every available oppor- tunity. A rook never leaves tell-tale shells lying near the rookery, or even near the plundered nest, but carries them to a distance, where the eggs are sucked by the sable thief. When feeding their young on an egg diet the rooks suck the contents of an egg into their throats, then fly to the rookery and disgorge the mass for the benefit of their offspring eagerly awaiting it with cavernous mouths fully dis- tended.

During heavy gales many young birds are blown from the nests, to fall and lie around at the foot of the trees, a fact taken advantage of by foxes and other prowling creatures, who make periodical visits to the vicinity of the rookery. Hard frosts in April also destroy the fertility of many eggs, just at the time they are being laid, which also help to decrease the future colony. There is an old saying that rooks will not form a colony on an estate unless the pro- prietors be of the aristocracy, and should such a place change hands and a nouveau riche or other person come into possession, the rooks will leave their favorite trees in disgust. It is certainly a very curious fact that in many instances rooks have done this, returning when people of higher rank have once more occupied their favorite estate. I myself can name more than one instance in which it has oc- curred, and though it smacks somewhat of the super- stitious, it has nevertheless often been known to occur.

As previously stated, a small bore rifle is the usual weapon used to shoot rooks, though I have seen a cross-bow very successfully manipulated. My father had one made for him with a steel bow, attached to a stock, the bow being strung by pulling a lever at the side of the stock. This cross-bow shot round, leaden bullets with extreme accuracy and force, with the advantage also of being perfectly noiseless.

During the short period that rook shooting is available, a great many men practice with the rifle, who otherwise would prabably never handle such a weapon from one season to another. For young people learning to shoot it is a useful lesson, foster- ing a love for rifle shooting, which in after years may lead them to do good service for their country.

Although the humble rook is but a very small fac- tor in the rounds of the sporting seasons, it yet nev- ertheless has its uses, both as an insect destroyer and as a target for the gunner.

THE WHIRLIGIG OF TIME.

The current number of the Kennel Review takes issue with the Boston Dean of kennels scribes, on several matters of accuracy in respect to Coast doggy affairs and winds up in the following manner:

"In a pinch, we could accommodate our friend in a 'mud slinging' contest, but we do not like to get started as we never know when to stop, so will close this uninteresting—shall we call it—argument, by reprinting an editorial from a recent issue of the Pacific Fanciers Monthly, of which Charles R. Harker is editor, and by the way, Mr. Harker was some N. D. B. A. scrapper himself, until he, like a lot more of us, finally tumbled to the fact that we were only wasting our time in trying to put the A. K. C. out of business, although to take the advice of some peo- ple, we should never know when we had enough but keep butting our brains out—unless the heads were 'solid ivory.' Here is the editorial referred to:

'One by one the recalcitrant leaders of the National Dog Breeders' Association are finding their way back into the old time fold of the A. K. C. The latest to be reinstated are C. W. Buttles, editor of the Kennel Review of Kansas City, and A. F. Hochwalt of Ohio, both of the most virulent type of N. D. B. A. men, a short time back, but when the N. D. B. A. went on the rocks it was either go back or get out of the game entirely, and as the A. K. C. very wisely made no exceptions, they are now about all back again where they were five years ago.'"

My eye! But what an odd way to "carry the news to Mary." Why not come out into the canine sun- shine with quills uplifted and trumpets fly-blown? It would look more consistent than tiptoing into meeting by slipping through the back door.

A bit inaccurate, too. A number of the original and prominent N. D. B. A.'s are still lined up to the original principles and state they will so remain.

PAICINES RANCH GAME FARM.

It is not the progress so far made that most im- presses the visitor to the breeding pens of the Pai- cines rancho, where wild game by thousands is being propagated to stock the 10,000 acre game preserve, though the sight itself is impressive, but rather a contemplation of what the effect will be on the wild game population of San Benito county in ten years if the work is kept up on a gradually increasing scale.

Already after two years of propagation of Chinese pheasants, the confines of the vast domain of the Macombers is proving too small to hold the overflow and the birds have spread widely, states the Hollis- ter Free Lance.

There is nothing to restrain them from wandering where they will after they have attained their growth. They are turned loose and gradually wander beyond the ranch boundaries. Last year 1,000 pheas- ants were released and reports from stray pairs are received from points miles away from the original hatching place.

This season Dr. H. J. Macomber, manager of the big ranch, confidently expected to release 10,000 young birds but the season was late and there were other drawbacks and now it is probable, states Dr. Macomber, that 3,000 will be about the limit.

In company with J. H. Hill, deputy fish and game commissioner, who is as enthusiastic over the results being attained by game conservation as is Dr. Ma- comber himself, and H. F. Faneuf of Santa Cruz, the writer paid a visit to the Paicines rancho and in the course of a short hour's observation of the systematic method of breeding and raising rare game birds, had his eyes opened to the magnitude of the enterprise and its present and prospective benefits to San Be- nito county—with all the cost borne by the owners of the Paicines rancho—in the only way by which it is possible to grasp the extent of the work that is being done—namely, by seeing it.

Chinese pheasants, Hungarian partridges, Mexican and Virginian wild turkeys and other imported game birds mix with California valley and mountain quail, and the wild game mingle in the parks and door-yards with peacocks, guinea fowls, chickens and other fowl. It is at once a wilderness and a paradise of bird life.

The raising of pheasants—the biggest thing so far attempted—is perfectly systematized. There are probably 40 or 50 small pens enclosed by wire mesh and each pen contains three hens and a cock pheas- ant. Every day during the laying season the two attendants of the colony visit the pens and gather the eggs which are placed in the incubator. When they are hatched the little chicks are removed to a brooder pen. In a few days the first flock is moved to an adjoining brooder to make room for the next hatch. Then another hatch comes off and the first hatches move another point down the row of pens. So in course of time twenty or more pens are filled with young pheasants, the day-old chicks gradually increasing as you proceed down the line.

They are fed on a varied diet. A small patch of alfalfa grows near the pens to furnish a fresh ration of cut green food daily. When the birds reach an age where they can eat a solid ration and are partly able to shift for themselves they are placed in a larger enclosure where the natural growth of grass and weeds give them protection. When they are matured the gates of this enclosure are thrown open and the pheasants are allowed to go at will.

The Hungarian partridges are a more difficult bird than the pheasant family to introduce into this country. There are 135 at the Paicines rancho, re- ceived direct from Hungary. Their importation was attended with difficulty because the European war was in progress at the time of shipment. They came through safely, however, and landed at the ranch without one dead bird in the shipping cages.

They are a wild and wary bird and the majority of the colony occupy an enclosure of about an acre, half a mile or so from the house and the main breed- ing pens. This acre is entirely walled round and roofed with meshed wire. A natural covert of brush and wild grasses is thus made and its inmates are protected from the attacks of wild animals. Not altogether, however, as six skunks and several squir- rels have paid with their lives recently for raids made upon the eggs and young birds. Feed is placed in the enclosure. There is a natural water supply and the birds live almost in their natural state. If they do well they will soon multiply to an extent that will make the quarters crowded. Then the doors will be opened and they will gradually melt away into the surrounding hills.

There is a bronze wild turkey gobbler on the place who is a direct importation from Virginia and no courtier of the Old Dominion ever strutted more proudly than does he before the eyes of his admiring consorts. Then there is a flock of Mexican wild turkeys, swarthy, sooty specimens. The breeds mix.

"We try to raise 300 or 400 wild turkeys every year," said Dr. Macomber, "just for our own use and to give away. There is not a domestic turkey on the place. They are all of the wild strain but they grow tame in captivity and are no more shy after the first year than the domestic fowls."

Posts and wire are already on the ground to en- close 500 acres of rolling wooded hills south of the home site as a deer paddock. When this is built two carloads of deer from Wisconsin will inhabit it. They are larger than the native species and Game Warden Hill and Dr. Macomber speculate with inter- est on the results of a cross between the Wisconsin and the native deer.

Other inmates of the deer paddock will be a male and female elk and their offspring, now in captivity on the Paicines rancho. The baby elk came into the world about three days ago. It is still a wobbly little creature who sticks close to its mother's side but gives promise of becoming a strong healthy specimen. The sire of the promising addition to the family has a pair of antlers that are altogether of too business-like appearance to invite close inspection of the baby, but it is supposed to be of the gentler sex. Last year a young elk was born to the pair but its birth was premature and it was a spindling, puny creature and lived but a short time.

Careful attendants take care of all the growing wild life in the breeding pens and keepers patrol the far boundaries of the ranch, watching for poachers of both human and animal variety who might otherwise prey upon the game population. Dr. Macomber does not shoot the game himself nor will he allow anyone to discharge firearms on the ranch.

In such surroundings the wildest creatures grow tame. Quail wander right up to the doors of the mansion. Pheasants and other strange birds are everywhere and the deer are plentiful and tame.

Which brings us back to the original question. If such progress has been made in a year or two by scientific care and conservation, how far will the results reach in the next ten years?

If for no other reason than for this preservation of the natural game and the addition of new varieties, San Benito county owes a big debt to the Macomber family. Where they are so freely expending their money the citizens of the county and sportsmen in particular can do no less than unite in giving their unanimous moral support.

GRAND AMERICAN HANDICAP.

Grant Park will be the scene of America's greatest shooting classic. August 16 to 20 will be red letter days in the history of trapshooting. For five days America's greatest shots will vie with each other for premier national honors, and trapshooters from every section of the United States will add to the impressiveness of the event.

Grant Park, Chicago, the spot which has been chosen as the stamping ground of this greatest of trapshooting tournaments, can not be excelled. Not only is it centrally located and readily from all portions of the country but it offers ideal conditions for the famous Grand American Handicap.

Situated upon the shores of Lake Michigan and laid out almost as level as the floor of a ballroom, there are not obstacles to handicap the aim of the shooter. The sky line is low and thus an excellent background is lent the targets. Unlike most trapshooting grounds, Grant Park is within five minutes walk of the leading hotels. Careful preparations are being made by the committee in charge. Ten traps—the greatest number ever used in any similar event—will be installed and with this splendid equipment and an improved method of squad arrangements and schedules there is every indication that the members of the trapshooting fraternity will immensely enjoy the full spirit of pleasure of this gala occasion.

The Grand American Handicap five-day tournament side features at Chicago, August 16 to 20, will be a series of twelve special matches at 100 birds per man between professional experts with the shotgun. P. J. Holohan of Portland, a frequent figure at local trap shoots, will be the only professional Coast participant, being matched with Hom Marshall of Kiethsburg, Ill. Trade representatives, or professionals, are barred from all other events in the big tournament, the regular program matches being confined to amateur talent only. Among the local, State and Nevada entries at Chicago will probably be Tony Prior of this city, winner of the Consolation Handicap at Dayton, Ohio, last year; Andy Flickinger of Vallejo, winner of fourth trophy and purse in the main handicap feature; Foster Coutts of San Diego, eighth money in the Grand American Handicap, 1914; W. E. Staunton of San Jose, also in the money distribution at Dayton last year; F. W. Stall of Winnemucca; C. A. Sage of Tonopah, and others.

LINCOLN GUN CLUB DOVE STEW.

Nimrods from over hill and dale, from near and far, were in attendance Sunday at the seventh annual dove stew and blue rock shoot of the Lincoln Gun Club. In response to the 1500 invitations sent out, nearly 1000 were in attendance. The some 200 members of the Lincoln club spent all of last week making preparations for the event. Their efforts were crowned with success.

The day's activities began with a blue rock shoot in the morning. Scatter gun experts from all points of the compass took part and made some excellent scores.

The main event of the day began at 1 o'clock at Leavell's grove near Lincoln. Hundreds of hungry hunters enjoyed the dove stew. Such heavy inroads did the guests make on the stew that chicken had to be substituted to satisfy all.

Salmon Running.—Good catches of quinnat salmon have been taken by trolling boats outside "the heads" for a week past. Al Wilson caught 25 and Dr. Matson 22 fine fish last Sunday.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

At the Traps

The program for the California-Nevada Trap Shooters' Association tournament at the West Alameda trap shooting range this week, started with ten 20 bird events, August 5; eight 25 bird matches Friday, August 6, and five 20 bird races, followed by the Interstate Championship match at 100 birds, August 7, the closing day. Purses and trophies valued at $1500 were hung up for the crack shots of both States to compete for. The officers of the association are: F. M. Newbert, Sacramento, president; Harry Ogilvie, Lindsay, Cal., vice-president; T. D. Riley, San Francisco, secretary-treasurer; directors, George Wingfield, Reno; Frank Stall, Winnemucca; R. H. Bungay, Ocean Park, Cal.; Henry Garrison, Modesto; Tony Prior and Emil Hoelle, San Francisco, and C. A. Julian, San Diego.

The winner of the Interstate Championship or the runner-up will receive a $50 purse and be eligible to compete in the national championship match during the Grand American Handicap tournament at Chicago two weeks later. The 25-bird matches Friday were for seven valuable prizes and trophies which have been hotly contested for at three previous annual shoots of the association, permanent ownership to be acquired by two individual wins. Each trophy has a three-leg mortgage by prominent trigger pullers. This tournament will probably determine the ownership of at least four of the prizes.

Additional sets of traps and bulkheads have been installed and other arrangements made so that the big gathering of shotgun enthusiasts will be amply accommodated. This shoot will draw a larger attendance, it is believed, of crack shots from the two States than participated in the previous Pacific Coast handicaps at San Diego or Sacramento.

Twelve squads lined up for the opening day fusillade. The high squad for the day: W. G. Warren of Tonopah, Guy Holohan and H. Pfirrmann of Los Angeles, J. F. Dodds and Foster Couts of San Diego made the splendid average of 95 per cent in shooting at a total of 1000 inanimate targets, 200 per man. In the eighth event the squad smashed every bird trapped, in two other events they broke 98 out of 100.

H. Pfirrmann, the winner of the Pacific Coast handicap at San Diego recently, shot in fine form and scored high amateur average for the day, 196 out of 200. J. F. Dodds of San Diego and Tom Wilkes of this city tied for second high average, with 190 each. O. N. Ford of San Jose, Foster Couts and J. F. Downs of San Diego were third, with 189 breaks.

Eight squads of blue rock pulverizers lined up Wednesday at the West Alameda trap ground in a series of practice events, the results were:

T. Prior	19	20	19	18	20— 96
*H. E. Poston	19	20	19	18	20— 96
*Guy Holohan	19	20	19	19	19— 96
Tom Wilkes	18	18	20	20	19— 95
*Dick Reed	18	19	20	19	20— 95
O. N. Ford	20	19	19	19	18— 95
*L. Hawxhurst	20	19	18	18	19— 94
H. Garrison	20	18	17	18	20— 93
H. Pfirrmann	18	19	17	19	20— 93
H. M. Williams	18	20	17	18	17— 91
Roy Avery	17	18	18	20	18— 91
W. S. Peace	19	19	16	19	18— 91
J. F. Couts	17	19	18	18	19— 91
*C. H. Knight	16	16	20	18	19— 89
W. A. Varien	16	19	19	16	19— 89
W. G. Warren	17	18	19	17	18— 89
J. F. Dodds	18	19	15	18	19— 89
G. Ellis	18	16	18	16	19— 87
R. R. Cadwell	18	18	16	18	16— 86
Mrs. Ada Schilling	18	17	16	18	17— 86
H. Stelling	18	17	16	17	16— 84
A. G. Wilkes	15	16	17	16	20— 84
T. D. Riley	14	18	18	18	16— 84
*W. J. Higgins	16	18	17	15	17— 83
*C. A. Haight	18	17	15	18	15— 83
C. E. Groat	17	15	18	15	18— 83
H. R. Phinney	17	17	15	18	16— 83
F. K. Burnham	16	16	15	16	17— 80
A. Julian	18	10	12	16	14— 76
F. Webster	14	18	11	16	17— 76
W. R. Williams	15	9	16	15	16— 71
W. R Ellis	13	10	15	14	15— 67
C. D. Hagerman	15	16	17	17	..— 65
Miss Meyers	13	13	16	14	8— 64
W. Eilert	18	18	17	14	..— 67
Mrs. A. G. Wilkes	12	15	10	10	14— 61
W. W. Terrill	15	18	18	..	..— 51
J. Plaskett	18	17	..	..	..— 35
J. McKeon	4	5	9	3	12— 33
F. Willet	15	15	..	..	..— 30

*Professionals.

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Knock Off the Chip!—The Alhambra Gun Club of Martinez, Fred K. Burnham, president, announces a challenge to any gun club within 100 miles of San Francisco for a ten or fifteen man team match at 100 birds per man. The Martinez club has twice recently defeated a fifteen-man team of the Big Time Gun Club of Sacramento. Both occasions were most enjoyable and will be an annual occurrence hereafter. The Straits City club is particularly anxious to join issue at the traps with the San Jose powder burners, which would bring about a shoot worth going miles to witness.

Live Bird Shoot.—The California Wing Shoot Club's August trap shoot at Sobrante, Sunday l drew a small attendance of members. Ed L. Ho 31 yards, and P. J. Walsh, 28 yards, each scored cle strings in the forenoon medal match. T. D. Ril 28 yards, and C. C. Nauman, 33 yards, were the scores in the afternoon purse match. Riley s another straight in the 6-bird pool match. The sco follow:

Medal match, 12 pigeons, distance handicap, hi guns—

E. L. Hoag	31 yds.	11222 22221	22—
P. J. Walsh	28 "	12112 11122	11—
C. C. Nauman	30 "	11201 12211	11—
Toney Prior	30 "	11122 22221	20—
D. Ruhstaller	30 "	11121 11110	11—
C. A. Haight	31 "	11011 20210	21—
T. D. Riley	29 "	12210 11121	00—
Captain Du Bray	32 "	21021 22000	22—

Purse match, $50 added, three moneys, distan handicap, high guns—

T. D. Riley	28 yds.	11222 21211	22—
C. C. Nauman	33 "	11112 21111	22—
C. A. Haight	28 "	112111 21202	11—
E. L. Hoag	29 "	12121 11101	11—
Toney Prior	32 "	11112 11101	11—
D. Ruhstaller	30 "	12211 01110	11—
P. J. Walsh	28 "	11102 11120	11—
Captain Du Bray	29 "	11211 02201	02—
Dr. Sweeney	28 "	20000 00220	02—

Six-bird pool, 30 yards' rise:

T. D. Riley	2 2 1 1 1 1—
Captain Du Bray	1 2 1 2 1 0—
C. A. Haight	2 2 1 2 2 0—
E. L. Hoag	2 2 1 0 2 2—
Toney Prior	1 1 1 2 0 2—
D. Ruhstaller	1 0 1 1 1 1—
P. J. Walsh	0 2 1 2 1 1—
C. C. Nauman	0 2 1 1 1 0—
Dr. Sweeney	1 0 1 2 1 0—

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Citrus Belt Tournament.—The Los Angeles Gu Club three day registered tournament July 13, and 15 drew an attendance of four score shooter two of the participants were of the fair sex—Mr Ada Schilling and Mrs. A. G. Wilkes. The totals, o the full schedule of 500 birds, as given out by Se retary Teeples are the following:

C. A. Sage	400	345	F. F. Hostetter	200	1
W. G. Warren	500	461	W. F. Jones	200	1
A. H. Jones	500	440	F. S. Ecker	200	1
Toney Prior	500	463	T. Parker	200	1
O. N. Ford	500	484	*F. Willett	300	2
Mrs. A. Schilling	500	436	W. J. Eilert	300	2
A. G. Flickinger	400	367	L. W. Slocum	500	4
*R. C. Reed	500	470	T. E. Doremus	400	3
J. Plaskett	400	362	*Geo. E. Oliver	400	3
W. G. Harris	500	436	S. R. Smith	340	2
A. G. Wilkes	500	436	*A. W. Bruner	200	1
R. S. Avery	500	353	C. D. Hagerman	160	1
T. Wilkes	500	453	C. E. Groat	500	4
H. M. Williams	500	420	L. M. Packard	500	4
*E. J. Morgan	500	462	Mrs. A. G. Wilkes	300	1
*C. G. Spencer	500	490	*P. J. Holohan	400	3
R. H. Bungay	500	466	E. C. Crossman	380	2
*C. H. Knight	500	451	H. W. Cline	400	3
R. N. Fuller	500	459	J. P. Haese	500	4
*Ed Mitchell	500	459	J. T. Downs	100	7
*H. E. Poston	500	459	O. E. Evans	500	4
H. Pfirrmann	500	462	J. A. Hoblit	200	1
T. W. Neel	500	410	C. H. Richards	140	9
F. H. Mellus	500	450	L. Llewellyn	20	1
S. A. Bruner	500	449	C. Witherspoon	60	3
*Guy E. Holohan	500	453	C. C. Cunningham	40	2
Dennis Holohan	200	173	J. Maurer	60	3
*Geo. Carter	400	350	P. C. Maurer	60	4
C. H. Julian	500	427	J. A. Fish	60	3
Harry Ogelvie	500	443	C. E. Englehardt	60	4
A. Ervast	500	443	W. G. Graham	260	19
E. M. Barber	500	389	H. Havens	300	25
Lee Couts	500	394	Geo. Melford	300	21
J. F. Dodds	500	428	W. S. Pease	200	17
J. F. Couts	500	446	A. N. Burnhardt	180	15
H. T. Brown	200	136	J. Singer	20	1
V. A. Rossbach	400	295	H. H. Hind	20	1
Fred Grewell	400	317	R. F. Brady	20	1
C. B. Monaghan	400	323	*J. S. French	140	10
*J. G. Heath	200	138	F. H. Nichols	40	3
C. B. Jackson	400	356			

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Arizona Mud Saucer Fragments.—A weekly shoot of the Prescott Gun Club, 50 birds, shows the following results:

H. J. Donnelly 46, J. K. Lewis 45, C. B. Wells 42, M. M. Smythe 38, Cleve Stivers 37, J. E. Regan 33, Dan Pittman 32, Dr. P. M. Davis 31, Will Waller 31, Chas. Pittman 30, J. D. Cornish 29, Martin Guthrie 28, Geo. McClelland 24, Thos. McRae 24, Imon Buchanan 23, Clint McCuller 23, Jno. A. Davis 19, Tom Bemis 17, H. H. Higgason 15, C. H. Moore 14.

The Holbrook Gun Club tournament program was at 200 birds. Windy weather conditions handicapped high scores and the attendance was unexpectedly cut down. The results were: W. R. Black 183, M. R. Smith 179, F. M. Gold 175, E. Conway 174, C. S. Patterson 173, C. McClove 165, J. M. Patterson 163, J. S. Hulet 141, D. W. Easley 138, A. L. Rencher 138, F. E. Lowe 135.

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Merchandise Shoot.—The Bay View Gun Club members did not shoot at the club grounds in South Alameda last Sunday. The regular club shoot was postponed until tomorrow, when a merchandise prize shoot will conclude the club's regular blue rock meetings, so it is reported, for this season.

Montana State Shoot—Seventy guns were in op-tion during the three day tourney of the Montana te Sportsmen's Association. C. L. Parsons, of aw, won the State championship, 98 out of 100 ds. F. A. Weatherhead, of Billings, was runner-with 98. Mr. Oswald won the Montana State dicap, 91 out of 100. The summary of scores is follows:

rs. Topperwein	620	581	Bright	520 531
pett	620	535	Burge	120 98
rabie	620	544	Ludrigson	240 189
Mullin	420	344	Hodel	340 232
Williams,	620	553	Hendricks	120 81
W. Harker	620	551	Salte	440 325
A. Prater	620	549	Clapper	400 339
L. Robbins	620	562	Geo. Wiedeman	320 205
Weatherhead	620	581	Hirsch	620 519
tell	620	511	J. B. Arnold	420 324
H. Stephenson	620	548	G. F. Shea	620 563
evens	620	528	R. L. Dalke	395 306
wdery	370	348	H. Schnack	620 531
ores	620	536	Ayers	200 126
abbs	420	353	E. A. Morley	200 167
nes	420	353	Marshall	320 229
rrant	620	539	Plum	200 137
L. Flanagan	620	584	Renfro	620 583
ckroy	590	479	*R. Razee	620 579
erhurney	620	559	Bartos	610 510
arpe	620	510	Smith	620 526
lzey	620	559	Olson	520 473
swald	620	549	*Booth	620 567
one	400	351	*Bowman	620 560
S Mitchell	620	552	Combs	620 525
Weaver	620	577	W. A. Wiedeman	200 131
L. Parsons	620	562	Fitton	220 168
ppleton	620	535	C. M. Ray	220 178
isbee	620	495	T. Murray	320 240
Ferguson	290	215	Waite	220 176
Morgan	620	585	P. L. Brown	320 226
P. Mathewson	620	518	Anderson	100 70
F. Gemmett	620	531	*Woodworth	100 95
Drumgoole	620	497		

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Vancouver Shoot.—The Vancouver Gun Club regis-ered tournament last month was attended by 40 hooters. Hugh Poston, 292 out of 305, was high ver all. C. E. McLean, 290, shot high amateur av-rage. Total scores were:

H. R. Cramer	305	267	H. H. Motley	255 205
H. Oliver	305	285	E. A. Brown	150 134
Goss	305	257	W. H. Wilson	150 128
W. H. Kirkwood	305	269	O. A. Murphy	150 128
H. E. Poston	305	292	J. Boothroyd	305 275
A. R. Baker	305	267	T. Shortreed	150 114
A. Field	305	275	C. E. MacLean	305 290
C. K. Snell	305	262	G. W. Miller	150 129
D. Cooper	305	267	G. Cunningham	305 244
H. Ricklefson	305	265	A. Turnbull	150 123
J. Cadham	305	274	M. Achenbach	150 123
E. E. Ellis	305	280	W. N. Lenfesty	150 117
W. Graham	305	255	H. B. Lenty	105 58
R. Easthom	305	281	*E. Vandervoort	105 58
C. L. Burtch	305	279	O. H. Fechner	90 53
J. R. Reid	305	279	J. McIntyre	170 137
C. A. Porter	305	257	F. S. Sinclair	30 20
G. A. Britton	305	271	J. Mathewson	30 22
A. M. Hall	305	260	C. D. Martin	140 62

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Night Shooting.—This branch of trapshooting sport is becoming more and more popular now that devel-opments have proven its merits. We quote an ac-count of a shoot held in Kansas City:

"The largest night shoot yet held in Kansas City was touched off at Elliott's Park recently. Twenty-seven men lined up for competition on the 50-target sweepstake program, and Geo. Nicolai came out high amateur with 45 breaks, next high being 40, made by J. K. Boyd, Chas. Cooper and Ed Varner. Among the professionals a hot race was had, in which "Uncle" Jim Head came out winner with 47, closely seconded by D. W. Bovee with 46. A strong wind blew the entire evening and many a man heard the referee call lost on some of his targets because the wind caused the targets to duck out of his load.

If conditions are favorable, it is intended to hold in the near future a three-cornered telegraphic night team shoot between Wilmington, Del., Newark, N. J., and Kansas City, ten men to a team. The night shooting is such a success that several business men who cannot get away from work to shoot in the day-time are now planning to organize a night shooting club."

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State Champions.—G. M. Keyes, of Meridian, Miss., 95x100, and A. C. Robison, of Vicksburg, 94x100, were winner and runner-up respectively of the Mississippi State tournament.

The North Dakota State championship was a tie shoot between J. W. Sturgeon and F. Ray, both of Dickinson, 48x50 each. Five 25 bird strings were shot before Sturgeon was the winner, 25 to 24 on the final string.

W. L. Hefner won the North Carolina State amateur championship, 98 out of 100 birds.

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Ladies' Team Shoot.—A telegraph challenge shoot between five gun teams of the Nemours Gun Club, of Wilmington, Del., and the "lady trapshooters of Chicago" will take place August 12. The Chicago Dianas will shoot over one of the G. A. H. traps at Grant Park. The winning team will receive a hand-some trophy from the Du Pont Powder Company. Conditions of shoot, 50 birds per gun, 16 yards rise.

New Grounds.—Arrangements are under way by prominent trap shooting sportsmen and clubmen to install a well equipped blue rock shooting range on this side of the bay in an easily reached location, where weekday recreation shooting clay pigeons may be indulged in. San Francisco is the only large city on the Coast without a suitable trap ground, since the popular Ingleside grounds were closed.

The Golden Gate Club grounds are well patronized Saturdays and during open Sundays by numerous shooters. This trap ground fills the bill to quite an extent, but the impression is strong that a shooting ground on this side of the bay would do much to bring "new blood" into the game.

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Try Outs.—Good practice scores were shot on the Golden Gate Gun Club grounds Saturday, as follows: Tom Wilkes and Paymaster Harry Williams, U. S. N., 187 out of 200 birds; Hugh Poston, 161 out of 175; C. A. Haight, 161 out of 175; Lin Hawxhurst, 147 out of 150; R. R. Carwell, 108 out of 125 Tony Prior, 93 out of 100; Miss Meyer, 83 out of 123; W. S. Pease, Elko, Nev., 91 out of 100; P. Putzer, 69 out of 80; W. R. Ellis, 51, O. N. Jones 61, Dick Reed 91 each out of 100; C. Craft, 33 out of 50; A. Adams, 18 out of 20.

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Garden City Notes.—San Jose blue rock shooters, George Anderson, C. H. Nash, Mrs. Ada Schilling, Dr. A. M. Barker, R. C. Hogg, W. J. McKagney, O. N. Ford, A. F. Baumgartner, Clem Arques, E. W. Jack and others, have been holding practice matches for this week's tournament across the bay.

The initial "Beginners' day" shoot in this State, for which novices in the sport only are eligible, as already explained in the Breeder and Sportsman, will take place in San Jose this month.

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ATTENTION, ANGLERS!

The eighth International Fly and Bait Casting Tournament will be held in San Francisco, August 12, 13, 14, 15, 1915, under the auspices of the San Francisco Fly Casting Club. The following circular has been issued in connection therewith:

To fly and bait casters, members of the National Association of Scientific Angling Clubs, members of the San Francisco Fly Casting Club—all interested in the sport of fly and bait casting:

The committee of arrangements of the San Francisco Fly Casting Club is pleased to advise that all is in readiness for the greatest tournament of fly and bait casting ever held. It is fully expected that many of the world's records will be broken.

The greatest number of trophies and prizes ever awarded at a fly casting tournament will be given the winners in the various events. Four beautiful silver cups will be awarded for all round champion-ship and the best individual and club averages. Thirteen elegant silver Exposition trophies as well as one hundred and thirty prizes given winners in the thirteen events on the program.

The days, the events and when same will be held, are as follows:

Thursday, August 12, 10 a. m., Club Grounds, Stow Lake, Golden Gate Park—Heavy tackle accuracy. Dry fly accuracy. Light tackle distance.

Friday, August 13, 10 a. m., Exposition Grounds, South Gardens, facing Festival Hall—¼-oz. bait accuracy. 11 a. m.—North Gardens, in front of Palace of Transportation—¼-oz. bait distance. ¼-oz. bait slam cast. 2 p. m., Club Grounds, Stow Lake, Golden Gate Park—Salmon fly.

Saturday, August 14, 1 p. m., Exposition Grounds, South Gardens, facing Festival Hall—½-oz. bait accuracy. 2 p. m., North Gardens, in front of Palace of Transportation—½-oz. bait distance. ½-oz. bait slam cast.

Sunday, August 15, 10 a. m., Club Grounds, Stow Lake, Golden Gate Park—Light tackle accuracy. Delicacy and accuracy. Heavy tackle distance.

Luncheon will be served at the meetings of Thurs-day and Sunday at the boat house at Stow Lake for the casters, their friends and visitors.

Contestants must cast in all events to qualify for the all round championship and in all bait and all fly events to qualify for best fly and bait average honors. Fee $2.00 for single event, $1.00 for each additional event. $10.00 for all the events.

A cordial invitation is extended to all amateur fly and bait casters to take part in this tournament in San Francisco, and visiting casters or those unac-quainted with our members, are asked to make them-selves known and join with us in making this eighth International Fly and Bait Casting tournament the most successful ever held.

Tackle for all events will be furnished by the club to all who are not supplied. From Sunday night to Thursday night visitors will be left to enjoy the great Exposition. The banquet will be held on Thursday evening, August 19, when the awards will be made and trophies and prizes given to the winners. That evening the annual meeting of the N. A. S. A. C. will be held.

On Friday evening, August 20, at 7 o'clock, all vis-itors will be taken to the San Francisco Fly Casting Club lodge on the Truckee river at Union Mills for a two days' fishing trip, returning to San Francisco on Monday evening.

For entry blanks and further particulars call, write or phone F. J. Cooper, Chairman, 742 Market street, telephone Sutter 4440; Stanley Forbes, Secretary of Committee, 1221 Merchants Exchange Building, tel-ephone Sutter 288; Paul W. Shattuck, Secretary-Treasurer, 638 Mission street, telephone Kearny 345; or any of the following members of the Tournament Committee of Arrangements: T. C. Kierulff, W. D. Mansfield, J. F. Burgin, J. F. Siebe, Horace Orear, W. F. Bogart, P. M. Nippert, H. B. Sperry, W. J. Davis, Jr., L. G. Burpee, Dr. W. E. Brooks, C. G. Young, F. H. Reed, C. H. Kewell, H. C. Golcher, W. L. Gerstle, Floyde Spence, Elkan Gosliner, Geo. A. Wentworth, Dr. Henry Abrahm.

Note: Attention is also called to the Northwest Fly and Bait Casting Tournament to be held at Ta-coma, August 26-29, 1915. Attention is further called to the Inter-State Fly and Bait Casting Tournament at Los Angeles, August 7 and 8, 1915.

Every fly and bait caster who can attend either of these tournaments should do so.

FISH LINES.

Millions of trout fry have been planted in many rivers, creeks and lakes of this State recently. The campaign of trout fry distribution will be carried on systematically until practically every angling water in California will be restocked.

General trout angling conditions are excellent, if reports from many points are reliable. One report in particular will be well received, and that is that there is a run of steelhead in Eel river. Numbers of half-pounders have been taken from Greig's pool, the largest steelhead landed weighing twelve pounds.

Big or Stone lagoon, about forty miles north of Eureka, also Prairie and Redwood creeks, about ten miles beyond, are now in prime fishing condition. These waters are easily accessible by machine over good roads. Excellent fishing can also be had in several other creeks by taking side trips off the main road. M. C. Wartenburg, E. Gable, R. Spahn and O. Fincke comprise one party that will take in that section incidental to a month's trip through Mendo-cino, Humboldt and Trinity counties.

The mountain lakes near Blairsden are in good shape now and offer pleasing trout fishing. Near Quincy, Al Wright's recent experience was limit catches of eight to fourteen inch trout. At Big Bar the Feather river is clear and low and fair catches have been made.

The Silver Fork of the American river, near Ky-burz, in El Dorado county, furnished daily limits for two weeks, when Fred Wrede, J. Keane and W. A. Richardson of this city; Emil Schmidt and Harry Schmidt of Sacramento; W. JJ. Scott, A. Sigwart and A. Sigwart Jr. of Oakland and Charles Hall of Stockton, wet their lines.

FIXTURES

Interstate Association Tournaments—

August 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chi-cago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy; winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Terri-tories:

Aug. 5, 6, 7—Fourth annual tournament California-Nevada Trapshooters' Association. Auspices of Golden Gate Gun Club, West Alameda trap grounds. T. D. Riley, Secretary, Humboldt Bldg., San Francisco.

September 5-6.—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Sec? retary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

September 24—Medford Gun Club, .Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secre-tary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

A New Book on Rifle Shooting.

"Boy Scout Marksmanship" is the title of the latest booklet on rifle shooting for boys which has just come from the press. The author is Edward Cave, editor of one of the leading outdoor life and hunting publications. The illustrations are from photo-graphs by the author and show, among other things, the proper positions to assume while shooting. There are, also, diagrams which graphically illustrate in a practical and original manner the right and wrong ways to use the sights on a rifle.

The Boy Scout marksman code; care in handling firearms; how to clean and keep firearms in good condition; positions in shooting and important things to remember, are concisely, but thoroughly, explained in interesting and readable style.

The Remington Arms-UMC Co., Woolworth Bldg., New York City, N. Y., will be pleased to send a copy of this valuable treatise on shooting with its compli-ments to anyone interested in Boy Scout marksman-ship who will send his name and address.

Peters Points.

At the Montana State Shoot, held at Lewiston, Mont., June 21, 22, 23, Mrs. Topperwein was high on all 16-yard targets with the splendid score of 447x 460, which included a run of 103 straight. In the special professional trophy event at 100 targets, Mrs. "Top" was again high gun, breaking 98x100. This greatest lady shot in the world uses a Win-chester repeating shotgun and Winchester factory loaded shells exclusively.

HOW TO BECOME A SUPERINTENDENT OF SPEED.

Manager The Horseman Correspondence School—Had the job of Superintendent of Speed thrust upon me, and as I have never done any harm to anybody I cannot figure why I should be selected to bear this burden. I know nothing about racing and have not the slightest idea as to how to act and so am asking the advice of your department.—Yours, I. N. Nocence.

We don't blame you after your spotless life for being indignant about having the position as "Superintendent of Speed" thrust into your hands, it is a long handle to have to your name and means much or little, just as you choose to make it. But let us say right here that a superintendent of speed is only another name for "goat," as anyone occupying that position is a real "angora" for the secretary, which fact you will find out before you are through.

The office itself is practically a new one and has only been created within the past few years, because if you go back into turf history, you will find that a superintendent of speed was unknown even less than ten years ago. The secretary's clerk or the track manager took care of the majority of this work in times only a few years ago, but to induce men to take the office, this name was coined so that some honor would be attached to it and also as an inducement to some poor "simp" like yourself to take the office. "Manager of Speed Department," "Chairman of Speed" and other such names are often substituted, but all mean the same thing, and that is to keep the secretary from being bothered by horsemen who have kicks or otherwise. Nowadays, where a man is working at your job, and a horseman asks a question of any of the officers, he is immediately referred to the "Superintendent of Speed."

There is some excuse for a secretary of a large fair to have such a man as you around, but when a race meeting only is given, what has the secretary to do if he has a "Speed Superintendent"? It only gives him a chance to get a lot of publicity and to pose before admiring (?) crowds, because everybody will ask who he is, if he appears too often in the limelight. They are told that he is the secretary and if the race meeting is a success he is given all the credit, while the poor goat of a super, who has done all the work, is kept in the background and his only chance to be mentioned at all is for something to go wrong; then the S. S. is blamed for it all, so don't figure on any medals being handed you for the work you are doing.

The original superintendents of speed were appointed because of their knowledge and acquaintance with complaining horsemen, and in many cases because the secretary of the association had been elected on account of his standing in the community and not because of his ability to run a fair or race meeting. His presence on a racetrack soliciting entries would be a flat failure, or his ability to draw up a set of racing conditions would also result in trouble, and so to do away with this drawback and make the racing a success, the office of "Superintendent of Speed" was created and met with much success in many instances, but is now being overworked, as you can readily see by reading some racing programs, where six races are carded for a three-day meeting and the association has both a secretary and S. S.

Now that we have explained to you the reason you are going to work at this job, we will endeavor to lead your faltering footsteps along a rosy path that will be well supplied with thorns before you reach the end of your meeting and if you ever undertake the job again, we will know that all wood does not grow on trees, but is sometimes perched on the shoulders of an outfit that looks like a man, although we feel that your heart is in better place than the man's who appointed you to the office.

To start with, you must draw up a set of conditions for your meeting, make them as difficult to understand as you can, because the more complicated they appear the more your work will be appreciated. The regular rules of both the American and National Trotting Associations are hard enough for the more than average man to understand, but you can do good by adding special conditions of your own; thus, with the regular conditions and your own, you will have something that will resemble the boarding house vegetable soup. Pick out any one of the systems to divide your money, then add something original to it, and you will have the drivers queered as the problem will be too great for their minds to fathom and they will be satisfied with any money you may hand them.

Be sure that when you have your entry blanks printed that the president's, secretary's and treasurer's names are in larger type than your own, as these gentlemen are as jealous of their prominence as a leading lady in a burlesque show. Another thing, insist that the entries close with the secretary and not with you, although you may be doing all the work and he does not care to his his importance belittled, so humor him if you do not want black looks and unpleasant remarks.

When mailing the entry blanks send them to all your friends whether they have horses or not, so that they can see your name in print; never mind the postage bill. Then ask all you meet if they know anyone who owns race horses; jot these names down and mail them blanks. If you can get hold of entry lists from other tracks, mail every name on the list a blank and if the same name appears a number of times, mail a blank to the same party each time you see his name, as we said before, never mind the stamp expense.

Several weeks before your entries close, visit the various tracks nearby or farther away, if the association will stand the expense. Tackle every driver or owner you meet on these tracks for an entry to your races. Promise them anything to get their signature to your entry blanks. Tell the drivers they can start a half dozen horses in each race if they want to, for one entrance fee, or else let them enter in every race and promise to charge them only one entrance fee and also tell them you will not hold them, if they do not start. Of course you have their signature and if they do not toe the mark you can suspend them, but to make this suspension stand good with the parent associations you should provide yourself with a number of envelopes and enclose each man's entries, then mail them to yourself; this makes the postmark stand good.

Hustle very hard at the race meeting, where your entries close, and you can be more than liberal with your promises here, as it is your last chance. You must take all kinds of conditional entries, even if your published conditions forbid it. You want to make a big showing of entries. But hold every man to his entrance fee as he will like you better when he is far away.

After this your work is practically done, as you need not bother about stabling the horses that are to race at your meeting. Do not even see if there are enough stalls to hold them, the drivers can hustle for quarters when they arrive. Let the stalls on the ground be as dirty as they can be, do not think of having them clean, neither must you make any arrangements for bedding or feeding; it will give the drivers and caretakers good exercise to hustle around for feed and bedding. Try and have the water supply for the stables as far away as possible because the caretakers like to carry water from a distance, it gives them a chance to look the country over.

If anybody asks questions, answer them in a gruff voice and say you know nothing about anything they ask. If a driver kicks about his accommodations tell him he has the privilege of moving. Do not give the caretakers any answer at all, because some of them are rough handlers when they become riled. If a driver wants to be released from paying on a very sick horse, hold him to his entrance fee by saying that you "did not get the horse sick."

Fit up for yourself a nice, cozy office near the stables, so that you will be handy to any trouble that may start. Have a sign over the door reading "Speed Department," but bear in mind never to be in the office, make the horsemen hunt for you over the grounds, they will be in a good humor when they find you. Do not give anyone the satisfaction of knowing the order of the next day's program, keep them in suspense until late in the morning; this gives the horse a longer time to rest. If there is a kick for overcharging for feed, pass on serenely. Why should you bother about the price of feed when possibly you are getting your bit out of every pound of feed delivered at the grounds? Another thing, do not be too liberal with badges, it always creates a good feeling when you charge an owner or driver for his wife's entrance to the grounds, then again he will still further like you if you only allow him half enough tickets for his caretakers. Give him an argument but no tickets.

You have a lot of data here, which should prove useful and we hope you do not meet an early death in following out the instructions we have given you. So, "over-the-river."—W. H. Shields, in The Horseman.

THE CAVALRY HORSE QUESTION.

In a very interesting article from the pen of F. K. Sturgis, vice chairman of the Jockey Club, and which has been published in some turf journals and in many dailies throughout the country, much valuable information is furnished concerning the destruction of the horse in the war now raging in Europe. Mr. Sturgis, by reason of his connection with racing the thoroughbred, and possibly on account of his lack of information in regard to the American trotter, favors the blood horse over all others as the foundation in the production of cavalry remounts. While it is yet to be demonstrated which of the various types is most valuauble for this purpose, the fact remains that the Breeding Bureau, which has, during the past decade, introduced throughout the country many thoroughbreds, has not been instrumental in furnishing a type of horse suitable for carrying weight or covering a distance of ground through a rough country.

There is no question that the thoroughbred, built on proper lines, possessing substance, muscular development, strength, constitution and intelligence, is the equal if indeed he is not superior, to any other type intended for saddle purposes, yet it cannot be said that the stallions selected by the Breeding Bureau have been fitted for the uses to which they have been put because of any excellence in conformation they may have possessed. A large percentage of the thoroughbred stallions located in various places throughout the country have been weeds, and even those which possessed size and substance have not by any means filled the bill, if one can judge by the appearance of their offspring. That the thoroughbred, crossed on the standard-bred, saddle and Morgan types, furnishes courage, quality and a desirable texture of bone is known to all whose experienc breeding has shown them the results of cros different types, yet, unless the thoroughbred sta is exceptionally well made, is unusually strong, more size than the average horse of his breed begets a type that is too light. The thoroughl himself is unsuitable as a cavalry remount, for w he has been bred for a century and a half to c weight he has not, in recent years, been produ with a view of covering a distance of ground o enduring the hardships incident to a sever campa

The thoroughbred of today, as represented by type found in this country, is deficient both in stitution and in strength, and as he cannot as a take up 125 pounds and gallop a mile and a creditably, it is not reasonable to suppose that could take up 265 pounds, the average weight trooper and his accoutrement, and travel even a slow pace through the obstacles so frequently fo in modern warfare. It then appears that the t oughbred, to be useful in the production of cav remounts, must be crossed on types possess greater substance, constitution, muscular deve ment and power. These are certainly to be foun the standard bred, rarely in the saddle horse, and casionally in what is known as the Morgan t

The so-called light harness horse, or in other wo the American trotter, while he has been produ with very little judgment, represents a type sessed of more strength, size and constitution t is found in any other breed. There are today th sands of stallions of the trotting breed averag sixteen hands, weighing eleven hundred pounds, heavy bone and tremendous muscular developme with strength, power and endurance enough to t up three hundred pounds, if necessary, and through the roughest country to be found. Th are probably thousands of mares of the same t and from these, when crossed on the thoroughbr must come not only the ideal cavalry remount the greatest number of this eagerly sought for hor

Regardless of the fact that the United States exported, as shown in Mr. Sturgis' article, appr imately sixty million dollars' worth of horses a mules since the war started, the drain on the t ting breed has not been noticeable. That such a t mendous exportation has been felt is, of course, t yet a large majority of the animals sent abroad ha been neither thoroughbreds nor standard-breds, though many have combined in their veins the blo of both. The United States has sent abroad, sin the beginning of the war, an enormous supply ordinary horses without either breeding or indiv uality, yet it has not drawn on its supply of standa bred or thoroughbred to any appreciable extent. it is inconceivable that there should be a horse fa ine in this country as long as inferior geldings a mares are sent away and superior types of stallio and broodmares are retained.

As Mr. Sturgis says, the 23,000,000 head of hors now in this country, or rather at the beginning the European war, include a very large percentage draught animals, leaving a very small proporti suitable for cavalry remounts, yet it should also remembered that these very draught horses have field of usefulness abroad at this time perha greater than the light bodied, more active and bloo like specimen. The artillery horse in Europe tod must be capable not only of carrying weight, but drawing his heavy loads over the roughest countr In no war of the past has the light built trooper bee of so little use, nor has the importance of weigh strength and constitution been so evident.

If the United States expects to produce a type sui able for cavalry remounts for its own use, or replenish the supply that has been so heavily draw upon, it would seem to be the part of wisdom to us the thoroughbred only as a cross on the standard-bre and the lighter types of the draught horse. The Pe cheron and Clydesdale are individually too cumbe some for galloping purposes, yet their blood furnishe size, strength, muscular development and power, an when crossed on the thoroughbred must be admirabl suited to the needs of the fighting armies abroa and to the army of this country if it should ever b unfortunate enough to be called upon in defense. Fo every other purpose, such as for the cavalry an for mounted infantrymen, the standard-bred as type is better suited to present conditions than th thoroughbred, and if a German officer were to selec a thousand well made, stoutly built horses for eithe of the above purposes, he would undoubtedly find th necessity of abandoning the thoroughbred and choos ing the standard-bred.

That there is a great scarcity in this country o horses suitable for cavalry remounts at the pric allowed by this government is quite true, and Mr Sturgis is evidently correct in his statement tha such a price cannot secure horses capable of carryin 260 pounds which are servicely sound. In the natura course of events, this government will be forced t pay a reasonable price for horses suited to its needs and, with $300 as the minimum, it will not be difficul to mount our standing army with horses recruited from the standard-bred and the cross between thi type and the thoroughbred. There are today in thi country less than five hundred thoroughbreds capable of carrying 260 pounds and enduring the hardships of a severe campaign in a rough country, yet we have no hesitancy in saying that ten times as great a number can be found among standard-breds if the nations of the world at war with each other, or those in preparation for impending struggles, will pay a reasonable price.—Horse Breeder.

THE FARM

CALIFORNIA DATES.

t Coachella in Riverside county, ategrowers' association has been ned. This association reports the ber of bearing trees of its mem- s to be 800 imported palms and) seedlings. These trees produced 914 20,000 pounds of dates. Of un- ring trees there are 28,000 import- palms and half a million seedlings ier four years of age. With all of se trees bearing dates, if they pro- e as well as those now in bearing, Coachella valley will have a total p of approximately 3,000,000 pounds dates to market.

mperial County Dates.—The Pacific ast Packer reports good prospects m the Heber date gardens, a nu- us of date-growing which may add other big industry to Imperial's cot- n and dairy productions.

ndications now are that the crop m the Heber date gardens will be out three times as large as last ar's yield. This is really the first presentative year since the gardens re founded, as a large number of es will come into full bearing. The lms have blossomed about three eks earlier than usual, which means e yield will be more uniform, as it es three weeks more time for the uit to mature. In the garden there e three classes of palms, those bear- g soft, sticky fruit, those bearing uit of medium firmness, and those earing hard or "bread" dates. The econd class is the most numerous. Africa the hard dates are used by e natives for bread. Over 550 palms ill come into full bearing this sea- on, 200 of these being the famous eglet Noor palms specially imported om Africa; 300 are seedlings, grown om seeds planted on the local farm. he average yield per year for a full- rown palm is 150 pounds.—Home and arm.

EVERY FARM A FACTORY.

C. M. Carroll, in the Harvester World, says:

"The opportunity of the town lies n the country. The country can get along without the town, but no town ever has been or ever will be per- manently prosperous where the land s poor. The town is built on farm profits; on what farmers produce in excess of their home needs. In fact, towns are liabilities, not assets—con- sumers, not legitimate producers. They are the natural evolution and out- growth of necessity—places to store and distribute the world's surplus products through the channels of com- merce. There is but one road to per- manent city building—that road leads to the farm. Business is so sympa- thetic, so sensitive to crop production, that the forecast of a poor wheat or corn crop affects the markets of the world. When the harvest fields smile, towns wax fat, and factories increase the pay roll. Corn, wheat, and hay, beef, pork, and poultry—these are the soil builders, the home builders, the builders of great cities.

"The old-fashion chamber of com- merce, with its cash bonuses and free factory sites, is rapidly passing away. Instead of grabbing business from each other, towns are beginning to look to the country, out into the fields of growin corn and wheat and hay. Here lies the opportunity—for the great city, strange as it may seem, is out in the country, hidden in the fer- tility of the soil. A successful hay campaign will bring factories to the town. Hay means beef and pork, which beckon the packing house and storage plant. More corn means cereal mills, glucose factories, starch factories. Flour mills locate in wheat- producing sections. Creameries follow the dairy cow, and the truck patch calls for the canning factory.

"Let us have more chambers of agriculture and commerce and fewer 'commercial clubs.' Let us create wealth from the opportunities at home, and not subtract it from other communities.

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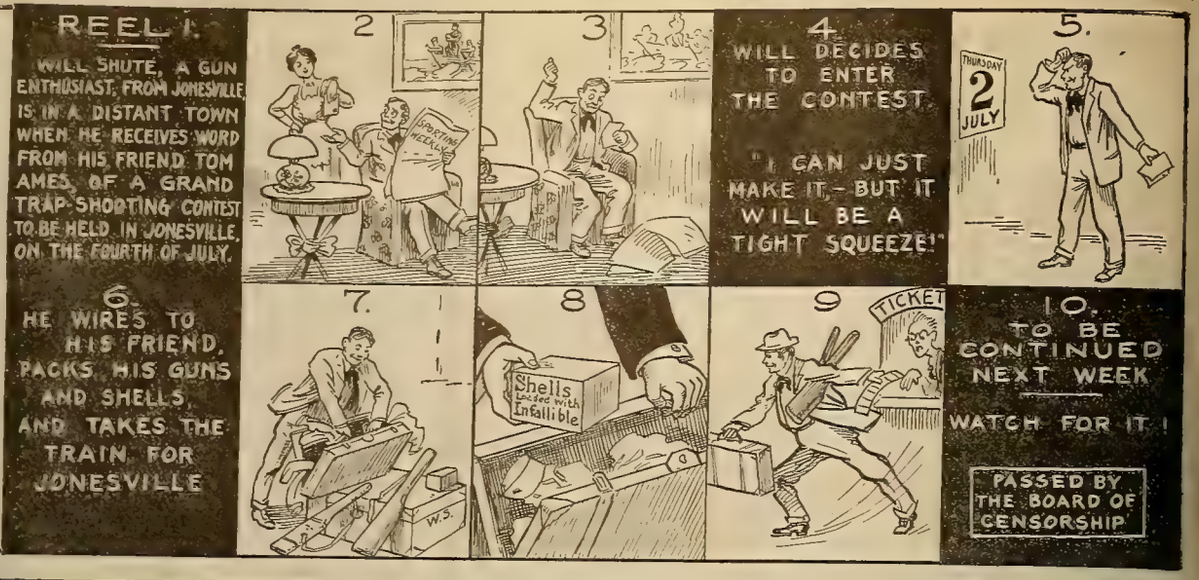
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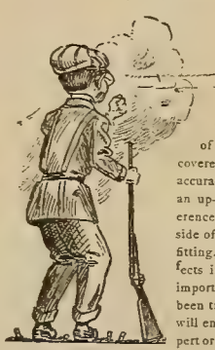
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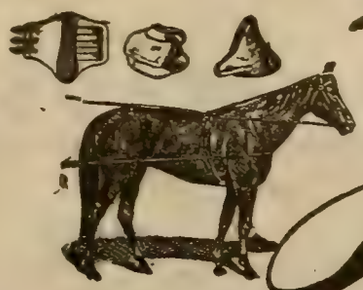
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VENTURA ENTRIES TO CLOSE MONDAY.

While the fields of trotters and pacers that compete at the Ventura County Fair to be held on August 26 to 28 inclusive will probably be composed very largely of horses owned somewhere in that approximate locality, owing to the fact that there are no other meetings to back it up and thus draw horses from a distance, there may be a few horsemen in other sections that desire to take a hand in the game, and for their benefit we wish to say that entries for the Ventura races close on Monday, August 16.

On the first day, Thursday, will be raced the free-for-all trot and a mixed class for green trotters and pacers, the former for a purse of $500 and the latter for $250, the program being rounded out by a running race for $250 at a half-mile and repeat. Friday will be devoted to other sports, including a half-mile and repeat chariot race for county horses only, but on Saturday the harness horses come back, with a $500 free-for-all pace and a $250 purse for trotters and pacers eligible to the 2:20 class. On Saturday a mile run and repeat for $250 at catch weights will also be staged.

All entries should be addressed and checks for entrance made payable to L. P. Hathaway, Secretary, and entries not accompanied by the customary entry fee in full will not be accepted. All harness races will be three in five under the old system, and the rules of the N. T. A. will govern with but one exception, the division of the purse. The Ventura folks want real horse racing and to encourage keen competition have eliminated fourth money and given the lion's share, quite properly we believe, to the winner, the money being cut sixty, thirty and ten per cent. Some will find fault with this division, but not the winners—and they are the ones that best please the spectators.

The Ventura track is in good condition and the gentlemen behind the movement are the right sort and deserve the support of all horsemen who are within a reasonable shipping distance. The fair is a youngster, only in its second year, and is making a bid for success without subsidy from the zealously (sometimes) guarded state treasury. One way to assure its future is to support it, and if you do go there with a horse or so you will be helping your own good cause and have as good a time as the fair folks can provide by square treatment and hospitality, even if you make no million.

THE THOROUGHBRED REVIVAL.

Next Saturday afternoon at the beautiful course at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition grounds there will echo from the Presidio hills the thud of the hoofbeats of galloping thoroughbreds and the cheers of enthusiastic supporters urging them to greater effort—sounds that were at one time familiar to residents of the bay cities but which for some seasons have been stilled through the operation of adverse legislation.

Thoroughbred racing "as it used to be" will never flourish again in California, but there is absolutely no reason why thoroughbred racing "as it should be" should not assume an assured position of permanence and prosperity here as it is doing in other sections, and it is racing of this kind that the gentlemen composing the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association are going to have. Under the old regime racing was conducted largely by men whose interests were confined solely to racing and betting, but under the new dispensation it is promoted and controlled by those who have a direct interest in the welfare of the game owing to their deeper interests as breeders.

Many obstacles have had to be overcome before a meeting could be given locally under the revised statutes with any prospect for attaining the slightest degree of success, but at the same time a number of happy circumstances have combined to make the present an auspicious time for the effort to re-establish racing in public esteem. The course at the P.-P. I. E. was available, the exposition is drawing a big daily attendance of thousands of people who will find a trip to the races a matter conveniently and enjoyably accomplished, and plenty of horses are at hand to furnish good sized fields and excellent competition. The latter pleasing feature is due in a very large measure to the passing of the racing bills in Nevada and the staging of the Reno meeting under the pari-mutuel system of speculation, that event attracting very many horses that would not otherwise have found the trip west possible. There are, of course, very many horses to be present here that were not at Reno, but the Nevada racing has been the greatest single factor in furnishing entrants for the local events. Throughout the preliminaries attendant upon the promotion of the Golden Gate meeting the gentlemen in command in Nevada have shown a most commendable spirit in co-operating in every way with the local association—a course that is most pleasing and promises well for the future.

However, given these things to help the cause along, nothing could have been accomplished save by a coterie of actual horsemen who were willing to face a certain loss of time and money in order that a beginning of a new era might be effected. With no income in the way of a percentage from mutuals or open betting privileges, the sums received from the strictly "legitimate" resources will probably not suffice to meet the expenses of the meeting. This, however, has been anticipated, and the deficiency will be gladly met by the members of the association.

It is gratifying to note the response that campaigners of thoroughbred stables have made to Secretary Nealon's call for horses. While, as remarked previously, the bulk of them will come from Reno, there are stables here—or en route—from numerous other points, in some instances many hundreds of miles away. San Francisco has a genuine "strangle hold" on the affection of the countless horsemen who made her their Mecca in days gone by, and they welcome eagerly the opportunity to come back and race once more. The meeting will continue until September 18, and in the course of that time many thousands of dollars will be paid to horsemen in stakes and purses.

Entries closed this week for the fixed events—the Stewards Cup selling stakes and the Exposition, President's Cup, Geraldine, Golden Gate, Juvenile and San Francisco handicaps—and while the complete lists are not available at this writing, considerably over a hundred horses have been named therein, so that the fields will be of generous size. These seven events are all for good sums and will in all probability become the "fixtures" around which the association will arrange the programs in the years to come. Approximately seventy-five horses are now quartered at the local track, and as Reno, in deference to the wishes of San Franciscans, will close today, next week will witness the early arrival of practically all the horses that will participate in the meeting.

The revival of thoroughbred racing in California, if successful, means much more to the state at large than would appear on the surface. No one who is fully conversant with conditions in and about our cities can be so absolutely absurd as to view it as a detriment to public morals, and it does mean a great impetus to the public business. Most gratifying of all the results that would attend its success would be the rejuvenation of the few breeding farms that have managed to weather the storm, as well as the establishment of numerous new plants of like nature. No state in the union has a more famous history than has California in the way of speed production, and no state is more admirably adapted for the home of great nurseries having as their purpose that most fascinating of pursuits, the breeding of high class horses for racing purposes.

The enterprise of President Clark, Secretary Nealon and their associates is deserving of every success, and we join our best wishes to those of thousands of others who have at heart the best interests of the horse, be he galloper or trotter. We sincerely trust that the initial meeting of the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders Association will mark the beginning of a new era of success and prosperity in racing and breeding, and should such prove to be the case, the indebtedness to them of not only horsemen but the public at large will be incalculable.

SOME APPROPRIATE NOMENCLATURE.

From time to time during the course of every racing season there arises more or less curiosity as to how in the dickens some horses get their names. In some instances there are good reasons for appellations that are a bit out of the ordinary, and as a "speaking example" of such we call your attention to the bunch starting in the mounted police special at the exposition Wednesday, as they seem to have been conceived extemporaneously, as it were, but mighty fittingly.

Now a policeman has all the natural inclinations of the ordinary mortal, and when Chief White gave his OK to the proposed race there was, of course, a spirit of rivalry rampant that led to a desire to bet and bet heavily on one's favorite. The force, of necessity, was in a quandary as to how to get its money down, for, really and truly, the police do not know of any joints or pool rooms in the city, and a consultation was held immediately. They just naturally had to have action, so they sent The Copper who had just gone off duty out to see what he could find out. Right off the reel he ran across an old Jail Bird who had formerly been a Trusty and sometimes in his days gone by had made a few prices on the ponies. There was nothing stirring, however, even though the Patrol was called and the old timer put On the Carpet and given the Third Degree, for he had a perfect Alibi and proved he had been converted by Billy Sunday and gotten in good on a softer graft. Then The Copper went out on another Gum Shoe and rounded up a regular Stool, from whom they easily learned, much to their surprise, that out in the Fog Belt in the Sunset district there was a Small Book in operation. This helped. A betting commissioner was at once started out to get their money down, but got in a Jitney Jam at Third and Market and the race was over before he got in the clear again.

Now that's what we call hard luck!

However, it goes to show that once in a great while there are extremely valid reasons for the bestowal of some of the names that clutter up the summaries and furnish material for the scribes to fill holes in the last form with.

Looking Backward Over the M. and M

Sidelights on the Big Stake Thrown by Random Statistics—Lee Axworthy and Some of His California Ancestor

The victory of Lee Axworthy (4) 2:04¾ in the greatest M. and M. that has ever been raced brings to mind a number of interesting instances concerning the part played by horses of various ages, especially four-year-olds, in this famous stake, which has for over a quarter of a century been the main trotting fixture of every season. There are stakes of equal or surpassing value, but while the public may forget who won them almost before they are well over, the name of the winner of the M. and M. lingers long in memory wherever the American trotter is well known.

In 1889 it was that the M. and M. was inaugurated, the first winner being the Michigan bred gelding Hendryx 2:17¼ by Dauntless 3158, a son of Hambletonian 10 owned at Dowagiac by H. J. Hendryx, for whom the M. and M. winner was no doubt named. Hendryx was seven years old at the time of his greatest turf achievement, and, strange to say, was the only trotter bred on Michigan soil to attain the pinnacle of fame awarded an M. and M. victor.

Until 1893, the winners of the stake were aged trotters, five years old or over, that season witnessing the first victory for a four-year-old, the chestnut filly Siva being returned winner in straight heats and record time, her mile in 2:13¾ being the first to be trotted in the stake better than 2:15, the record to that time being held by Prodigal—2:17¼. Siva was the first of the Californians to win the big event and was a real "native daughter," being by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼ and out of Sable Hayward by Poscora Hayward, grandam the great brood mare Sable by The Moor. The second horse the same year was also a four-year-old and also a filly—Miss Lida by King Clay.

In 1898 the second four-year-old winner appeared in the California stallion Directum Kelly who in John Kelly's hands made the nearest approach to 2:10 to that time with one heat in 2:11¼. The five heat contest was a memorable one that put the seal of quality upon Directum Kelly, but none present looked forward to a day when a son of his would place the race record over a Detroit course perilously close to the two-minute mark.

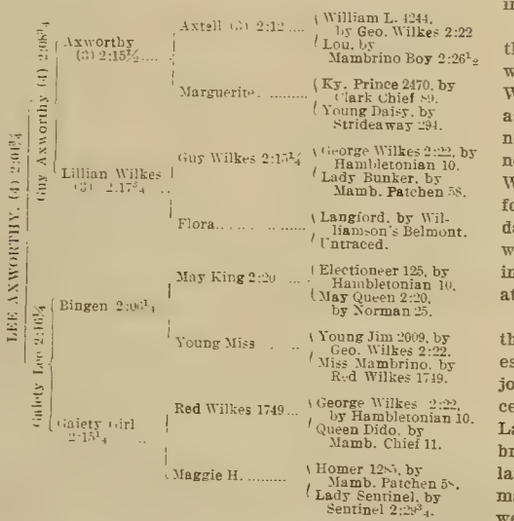
Three years later, in 1901, further honors fell to the four-year-olds when Eleata, from Palo Alto, first set the stake record below 2:10, the daughter of Dexter Prince trotting her fastest heat in 2:08¾. Then came nine long years during which the aged trotters ruled supreme, Anvil, in 1911, being the next four-year-old winner, and the last of the age until we come to Lee Axworthy. In addition to the four-year-old winners, there have been four occasions when the contending horse was of that age—Miss Lida in 1893, Hallie Hardin in 1902, Wainscott in 1903 and Beirne Holt in 1912. With but one exception, Anvil, the four-year-old winners have established new records for the stake, the reductions being of a striking nature, so that the part played by four-year-olds in this great classic is most worthy.

Horses of various ages have been winners of the M. and M., but the most prevalent age is five years, ten trotters having been returned victor at this age. Seven six-year-olds have won it, five four-year-olds, one seven-year-old and two eight-year-olds. The age of one winner, J. M. D., is not established, nor is the age of Stanley Dillon given in the Year Book, but our opinion is that he is the oldest horse to head the summary in the event, as he was, according to the best knowledge we have in this office at present, in his ninth year when Mr. Geers "put him over" in 1904. Linda Wrona, holder of the record of 2:05½ which Lee Axworthy's 2:04¾ replaces, was perhaps the oldest performer to figure prominently in the stake's history, being ten years of age last season.

Eleven states have produced M. and M. winners, though they have not always been foaled in the state where they were bred. Kentucky, most naturally, has been most prolific in this respect, nine of the number having been bred somewhere in the blue grass. Next to Kentucky comes California with five in the honor roll; New York, Ohio and Nebraska have each given two such horses to the turf, and one each may be credited to Michigan, Kansas, Mississippi Indiana, Tennessee and New Jersey, the latter state being the newcomer to the list, as Lee Axworthy, though foaled in Kentucky, was bred there. Just where to credit J. M. D. we do not know, but perhaps someone who sees this may possibly be able to supply the information.

The predominance of the blood of Hambletonian 10 in the most successful of American trotters is nowhere more graphically portrayed than by the history of this stake. Of the twenty-seven winners, only three fail to have a direct paternal cross to the grand old Hero of Chester, and of these three, two trace through the paternal line to Mambrino Chief II, while it is highly probable that J. M. D. owned allegiance through his sire to one or the other of these foundation sires. Members of the female persuasion have achieved signal success in the M. and M., as it has been won by mares fourteen times, by geldings seven times, and by stallions six times. Only one sire, Direct, has begotten two such winners, foaled across the continent from each other, Directum Kelly in California and Ann Direct in New York. No winner has as yet sired a winner, but the time will doubtless come when the roster contains the names of sire and son.

While the breeding of very many of the heroes and heroines of the M. and M. has been of the "gilt edged" variety, perhaps few if any have carried in their veins a more harmonious fusion of the blood of great houses than does Lee Axworthy, the following brief tabulation serving to bear out the above statement fully:



It needs only a cursory inspection of the above for a person familiar in any degree with trotting blood lines to realize that Lee Axworthy is not an accidental star, but the result of years of effort in breeding for the production of trotting speed—early trotting speed at that. It is from such breeding that sturdy race horses may most safely be expected to spring, and he fits into the line of M. and M. winners most acceptably, carrying an intense infusion of the blood of Hambletonian 10 and Mambrino Chief 11, the sires whose descendants have dominated the stake.

Like many others among the great performers of the present day, bred on eastern soil, Lee Axworthy traces back to the farms of California that were the speed nurseries without rival in the days of a generation gone—on the sire's side to Wm. Corbitt's San Mateo Stock Farm and through his dam to Palo Alto, both of which establishments had, as mentioned previously, furnished four-year-old winners of the M. and M. Lillian Wilkes (3) 2:17¾ was herself a "colt trotter" of note, making history for her family here on the Pacific coast in the same year that witnessed the racing of the first M. and M., the year of the foaling of the filly that was to become the first four-year-old to win that classic, the chestnut lassie Siva by Guy Wilkes. There are many of the older generation of horsemen who recall the day at Petaluma when Lillian Wilkes took her record and administered to the presumably invincible Sunol a most decisive drubbing.

To the "casual observer," perhaps, the only "hole" in the pedigree of Lee Axworthy would seem to come through this same Lillian Wilkes, but there have been many ardent students of breeding who woul sieze upon that hole with glee, for therein lies nc only the one-time highly prized "thoroughbred cross, but a cross to the best of the thoroughbreds tha figure extensively in trotting pedigrees.

Recent tabulations of this pedigree in eastern e changes give Flora as a daughter of imported Lang ford, which is erroneous. Over half a century ag there came to California among others in the wago train of Williamson Brothers the thoroughbred sta lion Belmont and the thoroughbred mare Liz Given by imported Langford, dam Charlotte Pace by Si Archy, the latter a stallion credited with being prominent factor in the foundation of the trottin horse. It was in 1853 that the Williamsons starte from Ohio on the long overland journey to the Golde Slope, and in the spring of 1855, at their first Cali fornia home on Stony Creek, in Colusa county, there was born to Liz Givens, to the cover of Belmont, male foal. This youngster, to the best of the writer's belief, enjoyed the distinction of being the first thor oughbred colt foaled west of the great divide, and in time became known as Langford, a race winne and a weight carrier and, withal, possessed of muc speed and purity of gait at the trot. In other years there came from the matings of Belmont and Li Givens such old time race horses as Bonnie Belle Gladiator, Pele and Error, every one of whom, with the exception of Error, number standard performers in harness among their descendants.

It was this Langford, and not imported Langford that sired the dam of Lillian Wilkes, and Lee Ax worthy need feel no shame from carrying a trace to Williamson's Belmont. Lou Dillon 1:58½ carries it as does Joan 2:04¼, John A. McKerron 2:04½, So noma Girl 2:04¼, Directum 2:05¼, Sterling McKin ney 2:06¼, Bolivar 2:00¾, Copa de Oro 2:01, Mona Wilkes 2:03¼ and a great array of other 2:10 per formers of both gaits. Flora Langford (for so the daughter of Langford was always known locally) was by nature a pacer, and though never appearing in the standard list had an authentic trial of 2:24 at that gait.

As is the case of many horses of the early days, the history of Flora has never been authoritatively established by the register, and as old time turf journals in their reference to her say nothing con cerning her dam, perhaps the fact that she was by Langford is all that can be stated concerning her breeding. The time of her birth was probably not later than the middle sixties, as she was an aged mare when she came into Mr. Corbitt's possession well in the seventies. Her first performer was Joe Arthurton 2:20½, foaled in 1878, and though she produced a number of foals at the Corbitt farm, before Lillian Wilkes appeared upon the scene, the latter lass was the only other one to gain recognition in the standard list.

Lillian Wilkes, like the filly Leonor, the ancestress of White Sox, whose history was related not long ago in these columns, was a young lady whose sterling qualities were such that she overcame many handicaps on her path to fame. Flora Langford in 1886 had reached a state of extreme infirmity through the ravages of time, and for the last several months of her life was set on her feet almost daily through the kindly offices of her caretaker, assisted by a block and tackle. On numerous occasions subsequent to her last mating to Guy Wilkes her owner offered her at a hundred dollars with no takers. At last came the day of foaling, and not long after the wobbly little brown filly had been safely delivered the old mare breathed her last, leaving the baby to face the world alone—by no means an auspicious start in life for a future stake winner and famous matron. However, the inherent qualities of greatness were not to be denied, and that fall she received at the competent hands of Johnny Goldsmith the lessons that were the stepping-stones to the career whose chief incidents have been touched upon herein. What pleasure would it not have given her breeder could he have lived to see the day when a four-year-old by a son of hers would win the M. and M. in record time!

It is also interesting to note that all was not a bed

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DIDN'T KISS 'EM THIS AGE IN CALIFORNIA.

Magnus Flaws, who as a member of the official in the stand helped to decree judgments after h heat, also did the announcing and made a de- ed hit with the crowds. Mr. Flaws has had long erience in the stand, both as judge and starter. s voice is excellent for announcing, and some ngs have given me a hunch that his comeliness features helps out some, too. After the day's work been finished on Friday, the genial official was nding near a grandstand exit awaiting some ends, when there was a slight commotion in a fam- group that had evidently come in from some ce in the Hawkeye State's fertile districts to see day's sport.

Noticing that the group, which contained a middle- ed couple with a trio of youngsters of varying es, seemed bashfully cogitating on the propriety of proaching him, Mr. Flaws stepped towards them d in his most gracious manner said: "Is there ything that I can do for you?"

"You're the fellow that done the callin' on the rses this afternoon, ain't ye?" asked the masculine okesman.

"Yes, sir, I did the announcing for Dr. Stone, who somewhat unused to the work, and is careful of s voice during the hot weather."

"Well, ye done a right good job of it, and ye ought get a big pile of money at it, too. Mirandy and e has just been talkin' about a little matter. Ye e, this young feller ain't got no name," he said, inting to a husky boy of doubtful months that the other was holding, "and we been kind of disputin' bout what we'd call him. Mirandy said we ought to ame him after our Congressman, who is called the est lookin' man in our district, but he ain't just my ind of politics, and I don't want it that way. So I ays to Mirandy when I see ye callin' them names ut up there—I says, there's a man I'd be glad to ave put his name on this lad. He's got your man eat ten ways, talkin', looks and everything else, I ays—and Mirandy agreed. Now, if ye'll just put our name on this here boy, I'll promise ye that he'll huck more corn in fifteen years than any one other id in the county, and it don't make no difference hat your politics is."

I turned away at this juncture, for there are some ights too sacred and too affecting for spying eyes. he kissing of an infant has from time immemorial een the accompaniment of the christening in rural istricts, and my auricular equipment told only too lainly that the name of Magnus Flaws had been estowed on one particularly chubby youngster to e coupled with the cognomen that his father bears. nd it is safe to say that the job was never better one. — Davenport Correspondent, Western Horse- nan.

ANDY McDOWELL AT WILMINGTON, DEL.

It does one good, every now and then, to run across some old-timer in the racing game, and who is still n it, to listen to the stories of the turf of nearly fifty ears back, when a 2:30 trotter was somewhat of a arity. In our roaming around race tracks we occa- sionally meet with some one of these patriarchs of the high wheel sulky, and it is a real treat to while away an hour or two in the morning hours, before the horses are called for the afternoon performance, and swap yarns with these old-timers who were in the racing game when the writer first took out a stable of trotters, flanked with a pacer or two that could go lively for about three-quarters of a mile and then put on a longing look for the way out to a box stall for rest and refreshments. The latest find is Andy McDowell. You, or at least most of you, know of Andy, and if you don't know him you have more than likely heard of him. A long time ago Andy McDowell was the most talked about and one of the most successful drivers of light harness horses in this country, and today, after having passed so many mile stones in his journey through life (we know how old Andy is, but won't tell on him), is still in the horse game and his reinsmanship, it seems to us, has lost none of its early cunning. His old-time reminiscences of the race tracks before the National Trotting Association was ever talked about, have on more than one occasion carried us back to days gone by when horse racing was horse racing, even if the time was not as fast, by many seconds, as it is today. In his early days on the turf it took not only head- work to win races, but a driver had to have some muscular development and be ready to call this into play when occasion required. Both of these requi- sites Andy McDowell possessed. He drove himself into prominence on the race track and fought his way out of difficulties on several occasions. Some of those "difficulties" were close calls, whilst others were easy going. At this time he has a pretty good racing stable, his star youngster being Prenelda, which next October at Lexington, Ky., will be very troublesome to beat. That is Andy's summing up of the possibilities of this young thing, and she looks and acts at this time as though she will not prove a disappointment to her trainer and driver when the fateful time comes for her to make her first bow before those in the big grandstand at Lexington, at the windup of the Grand Circuit meetings for 1915.— Trotter and Pacer.

Racing over the North Pacific Circuit begins next week at Vancouver, B. C., on the two-lap track, and will continue until early in October, when the circuit ends at Salem.

Time at Grand Rapids Is Sensational

Third Day at Kalamazoo.

Kalamazoo, August 6.—The track at Recreation Park today was heavy as a result of the rains earlier in the week, but three races were pulled off success- fully though the time was, of course, slow. W. L. Snow and Todd Temple took the first heat of the 2:11 trot like it was all over but cashing the tickets, but Tommy Murphy and Sadie S., well back in the ruck in the first mile, came back strongly and took the next three, the Todd Mac trotter never landing again in the first four. Laramie Lad was a consistent contender for three of the four heats but couldn't outfoot Sadie in the brushes.

Flaxy B. played fair with Snow in the 2:11 pace, and annexed first money after dropping the second heat to Pappy Geers and the four-year-old Bud Elliot. Colorado Range made a procession of the three-year-old trot—and incidentally the youngsters went the best race of the day in certain respects. When aged pacers can do no better than 2:11¾ and trotters of the same class are satisfied to call a heat in 2:11½ enough, three-year-old trotters that reel off miles in 2:12¼ look to be pretty fair—or a little better. The details:

Kalamazoo, Aug. 6.
Columbia Hotel 2:12 trot, three-year-olds, $600 added:
Colorado Range, b c by Colorado E.....(McDonald) 1 1
Rusticoat, ch c by Axworthy.....(Andrews) 2 2
Deroche, ch c by John A. McKerron.....(Geers) 3 3
Henry Todd (Lasell), Northspur (Cox) also started.
Time—2:12¼, 2:13¼.

Hotel Rickman 2:11 trot, purse $2,000:
Sadie S., b m by Archdale.....(Murphy) 6 1 1 1
Todd Temple, b g by Todd Mac.....(Snow) 1 7 6 5
Laramie Lad, b g by Master Bo..(McDonald) 2 6 2 2
The Guide (Geers), Lettie Lee (White), Fair Virginia (Cox), June Red (McMahon), Baby Doll (Quinn) also started.
Time—2:12¼, 2:11½, 2:12½, 2:12¼.

2:11 pace, $1,000:
Flaxy B., b m by Quaker K.....(Snow) 1 5 1 1
Budd Elliott, br g by Prodigal.....(Geers) 2 1 5 5
Clara Walker, ch m by Early Reaper...(Cox) 4 2 3 3
Bill Hurst (Nethaway), Dustless McKinney (Murphy), Fleeta Dillon (L. Shuler) also started.
Time—2:11¾, 2:14¾, 2:14½, 2:15¼.

Last Day at Kalamazoo.

Kalamazoo, August 7.—Peter Scott, twice second in the M. and M., paid the first large instalment on the thirty thousand bucks he owes his owner today by taking the ten thousand dollar Paper Mill stake in straight heats. Albaloma, Worthy Prince and King Clansman took turns in driving out the Murphy entry, but couldn't carry the final clip far enough and fast enough to head him to the wire.

Single G. and Major Ong indulged in a five-heat duel in the 2:06 pace, the Indiana wiggler besting the gentleman with the military title in the final time out by unbelting next to the fastest mile of the event, 2:05½. Murphy straight-heated the 2:21 trot- ters for his second win of the day with the three- year-old filly Bondella, that won the first race of the season for the Poughkeepsie trainer at North Ran- dall. Her field today was more easily disposed of than were the three-year-olds in her other race, as the fastest mile she was forced to trot, the third one at that, was an even 2:10. She "pulls a ton" but gets there just the same.

Hal Boy, the real hard luck hero of the season's pacing stakes, threatened to cop the coin in the Burdick Hotel classic today, but had to be content with second money. Russell Boy, the dark horse winner of the Edwards, had the guidance of Ed Geers from the start and took the first two heats without a mistake in 2:07¼ and 2:04¾, hard pressed in the second heat by the little western pacer. In the next two heats Russell Boy displayed some of the unsteadiness that has cost him heats before, Hal Boy taking both in 2:05½ and 2:05¾, Charley Val- entine and Judge Ormonde making unsuccessful bids for each of them. Russell Boy's performance and subsequent guarding of the rear evidently failed to tire him greatly, and in the fifth, again on his good behavior, he outpaced his game little rival in 2:04¾. The summary:

Kalamazoo, August 7.
Park American Hotel 2:06 pace, purse $2,000:
Single G., b h by Anderson Wilkes (Gosnell) 1 1 5 2 1
Major Ong, b g by Major Gantz...(Murphy) 4 5 1 1 2
Lelia Patchen, bl m by Dan's Brother (Snow)5 2 4 4 3
Rastus (McDonald), Baron A. (Cox), Our Colonel (Jones), Harry the Ghost (Brennan) also started.
Time—2:07¾, 2:04¾, 2:07, 2:06¼, 2:05½.

Paper Mill 2:08 trot, purse $10,000:
Peter Scott, br h by Peter the Great (Murphy) 1 1 1
Worthy Prince, b g by Prince McKinney..(Cox) 4 2 3
Kings Clansman, br h by The Clansman.....(McMahon) 5 4 2
Albaloma, b g by Almaden D.....(Quinn) 2 5 5
Peter McCormick (Shuler), The Duchess (McDonald), Wilgo (Marvin), Axtien (Harris) also started.
Time—2:08¾, 2:05¾, 2:06¼.

2:21 trot, purse $1,000:
Bondella, br f (3) by Walnut Hall.....(Murphy) 1 1 1
Todd McGregor, ch h by Cochato.....(Rodney) 3 2 2
Jeannette Speed, b m by Peter the Great (Cox) 2 4 4
Sarah Douglas (Floyd), Colonel Riser (Brennan), Mc- Mahon (McMahon), Lusitania (Marvin), Bourbon Maid (Thacker) also started.
Time—2:15¼, 2:12¼, 2:10.

Burdick Hotel 2:09 pace, purse $3,000:
Russell Boy, b h by Rustic Patenter (Geers) 1 1 7 7 1
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.....(M. Childs) 3 2 1 1 2
Judge Ormonde, bl h by Ormonde(Valentine) 7 5 2 2 3
Camelia (Cox), Queen Abbess (White), Hal S. (Mur- phy), Patrick M. (Stokes) also started.
Time—2:07¼, 2:04¾, 2:05½, 2:05¾, 2:04¾.

First Day at Grand Rapids.

Grand Rapids, August 9.—Real racing weather, the first that the Grand Circuit stables, have enjoyed for several days, graced the opening of the big trots in the Furniture City today, fast time and great con- tests being the result. Favorite players had a poor day, however, as the dope was upset in each of the three events raced.

Lettie Lee and Mirthful carried most of the edu- cated money in the Grand Rapids Railway trot, but failed to deliver as per order, Mike McDevitt and Miss Directed having the call in all but one of the four heats, Mirthful winning the third with the Cleve- land mare back in the ruck.

Miss Harris M. looked the logical winner of the first of the season's events for three-year-old pacers, the Matron stake, and while she paced fast and gamely she was not able to take the measure of General Todd, the first standard performer for George Todd 2:07¾. McDonald evened up in the 2:10 trot, however, as after four hot heats from 2:06¼ to 2:10 Adbell M., an outsider, was returned winner over Guy Nella, Lulu Lumine and five other good trotters, the good four-year-old acquiring a winrace record of 2:08¾. The details:

Grand Rapids, August 9.
Grand Rapids Railway, 2:10 trot, purse $3,000:
Miss Directed, b m by Direct Well..(McDevitt) 1 1 5 1
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen(Murphy) 3 2 1 4
Lettie Lee, b m by Moko.....(White) 2 5 3 3
Todd Temple (Snow), Laramie Lad (McDonald), The Guide (Geers) also started.
Time—2:07½, 2:06¼, 2:08, 2:07½.

The Matron, three-year-old pace, purse $1,250:
Gen. Todd, b c by George Todd.....(Reappy) 1 1
Miss Harris M., b f by Peter the Great (McDonald) 2 2
Sad Thoughts, b f by Bingen.....(Cox) 3 3
Peter Worthy (McCarr) also started.
Time—2:06, 2:08.

2:10 trot, purse $1,000:
Adbell M., b h by Moko.....(McDonald) 6 1 3 1
Guy Nella, b m by Guy Axworthy.....(Geers) 2 8 1 2
Lulu Lumine, b m by Orator.....(Murphy) 1 5 6 3
Lizzie Brown (Valentine), Lou Jennings (Brennan), Marshall (Snow), also started.
Time—2:06¼, 2:08¾, 2:07½, 2:10.

Second Day at Grand Rapids.

Grand Rapids, August 10.—Most of the Grand Cir- cuit tracks this season have been more or less both- ered by water and floods, but that other potent element, fire, played the principal part here today and tonight the Furniture City track course is still smoking. Eleven heats were raced from 2:00¾ to 2:06½, the average time being just slower than 2:04¼, so the track has a reason for being hot, as this is an unequaled record for an afternoon's racing. Right from the jump the pace of each race was fairly dizzy, and every heat winner save one, Margaret Druien, has a nice new record.

Single G., winner at North Randall, Detroit and Kalamazoo, has at last been taken into camp, and the lad that did the trick was the same one that upset all the expert calculations in the Edwards, the Illinois pacer Russell Boy. Geers had the mount, and the way Marse Ed teamed the bay horse was worth a long trip to see. Russell was second choice in the speculating, but romped in at the head of his field in each heat, pacing the second one in 2:02¾. Gosnell and the Hoosier bear-cat drove him out in the first mile, but Aconite was the contender in the succeeding heats, the Cox horse being genuine poison.

Geers also had the reins over Bonington in the 2:08 trot and started out to hang up some more rec- ords, outbrushing Peter Scott and Worthy Prince in brilliant style in 2:04¾, reducing the stake ma- terially, the former figures having been an even sec- ond slower. Troubles developed for the Hillanddale trotter in the next heat, however, and he was dis- tanced, Peter Scott, well pressed by Worthy Prince and King Clansman, winning in 2:05¼ and coming back for the third and fourth in 2:05½, all four heats being better than the fastest one ever trotted previously in the event.

The bright, particular star of the day was Flower Direct, the eight-year-old mare in Ben Whitehead's stable. Flower has been knocking at the door of the two-minute list for some seasons, and while she didn't quite succeed in breaking it in today she did give the woodwork of the upper panels some healthy cracks. At Detroit Ben showed the girl to be mighty good, as Marvin had to go to the bat with William to stall her off in the second heat of the free-for-all pace. Braden Direct, whose rejuvenation has been one of the seven wonders of the early season, was also right as right, Flower Direct having to go two heats in 2:00¾ and 2:02½ to win from him, with Earl Jr. and R. H. Brett third and fourth, respec- tively, in each heat. The Tennessee lass becomes the holder of the two-heat record for pacing mares by this performance, supplanting that other famous daughter of the sunny south, Evelyn W. by The Spy, whose two miles were won in 2:03½, 2:00½ three years ago at Syracuse.

Margaret Druien again proved herself to be the class of the 2:05 trotting brigade, taking both heats in comfortable style in 2:06½ and 2:05¼, Joan being the best contender. The details of the big day follow:

Grand Rapids, August 10.
2:08 pace, purse $3,000:
Russell Boy, b h by Rustic Patenter.....(Geers) 1 1 1
Aconite, b h by Aquilin.....(Cox) 3 2 2
Single G., b h by Anderson Wilkes.....(Gosnell) 2 4 3
Peter Farren, b h by Peter the Great..(Murphy) 4 3 4
Time—2:04¼, 2:02¾, 2:04¾.

Furniture Manufacturers' 2:08 trot, purse $5,000:
Peter Scott, br h by Peter the Great (Murphy) 2 1 1 1
Worthy Prince, b h by Prince McKinney (Cox) 3 2 2 2
King Clansman, br h by The Clansman.....
.....(McMahon) 5 3 4 3
Duchess (McDonald), Reugens (Rodney), Wilgo (Marvin), Lucille Spier (Shank), Peter McCormick (Shuler), Bonington (Geers) also started.
Time—2:04¾, 2:05¼, 2:05½, 2:05½.

2:03 pace, purse $1,000:
Flower Direct, b m by Direct's Star..(Whitehead) 1 1
Braden Direct, bl h by Baron Direct.....(Egan) 2 2
Earl Jr., gr h by The Earl.....(Cox) 3 3
R. H. Brett, b g by Waponce.....(Grady) 4 4
Time—2:00¾, 2:02½.

2:04 trot, purse $1,000:
Margaret Druien, b m by Peter the Great....(Cox) 1 1
Joan, br m by Directum Spier.....(McDevitt) 2 2
Bright Axworthy, b g by Axworthy.....(Murphy) 3 3
Star Winter, b g by Ed Winter.....(McDonald) 4 4
Time—2:06½, 2:05¼.

Third Day at Grand Rapids.

Grand Rapids, August 11—With neither Russell Boy nor Single G. to go up against today, Hal Boy was installed as heavy favorite in the Comstock stake for 2:12 pacers, but life on the Grand Circuit for the plucky little western horse and his trainer is just one blamed thing after another—and today it was Judge Ormonde, the black pacer from Columbus, who reeled off three miles in 2:03¾, 2:04¾ and 2:03¾, being closely driven out in each of the two fast heats by the Hal B. gelding, Lillian K. securing the place in the second time out.

The Pastime Stable scored another win in the Matron stake, Professor Andrews piloting Rusticoat to victory in two nice heats in 2:08½ and 2:08¼, Native Spirit keeping him company the first time and Henry Todd driving him out in the fast one. The Eno evened up with St. Frisco for his defeat by the latter at Kalamazoo, but Marse Ed and his lad were right there all the time.

The race that pleased the natives was the 2:12 pace. Murphy took Jean to the wire in front for the first mile in 2:06½, with the local mare Polly Ann at his heels; in the second Clark turned the tables and won out in good shape, annexing a winrace record of 2:06¼ and putting quite a bit of cash into circulation among the home folks. The summary:

Grand Rapids, August 11.
2:16 trot, purse $1,000:
The Eno, ch h by The Native.....(Floyd) 1 1 1
St. Frisco, b h by San Francisco.....(Geers) 2 2 2
Tommy Todd, b g by Todd Mac.....(Snow) 3 3 7
Cacus Star (Hall), Todd McGregor (Rodney), Jeannette Speed (Cox), Loe Blossom (Wall), Col. Riser (Brennan) also started.
Time—2:09¼, 2:09¼, 2:08¼.

The Matron, three-year-old trot, purse $7,500:
Rusticoat, ch c by Axworthy.....(Andrews) 1 1
Native Spirit, b f by Native King.....(Cox) 3 2
Henry Todd, b g by Henry Setzer.....(Lasell) 2 4
The Colorado Belle (Serrill), Humpfast (Wisher) also started.
Time—2:08½, 2:08¼.

The Comstock, 2:12 pace, purse $3,000:
Judge Ormonde, bl h by Ormonde.....(Valentine) 1 1 1
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.....(M. Childs) 2 11 2
Lillian T., bl m by Roy Patchen.....(Wilson) 5 2 3
Hal S. (Murphy), Queen Abbess (White), Lustrous McKinney (Rodney), Thistle Patch (Snow), Hal Connor (Geers), Bill Hurst (Hathaway), Camelia (Cox), Pat Carmody (Whitehead), Miss Miriam (McMahon) also started.
Time—2:03¾, 2:04¾, 2:03¾.

2:12 pace, purse $1,000:
Polly Ann, b m by Alstrath.....(Clark) 2 1 1 1
Jean, b m by Flosko.....(Murphy) 1 2 6 2
Altawood, gr m by Altonwood.....(Valentine) 8 3 2 5
Patrick M. (Stokes), Prestolite (Geers), Crescent Simmons (McCarr), Major Byers (Cox), Fleeta Dillon (L. Shuler), Flaxy B. (Cares) also started.
Time—2:06½, 2:06¼, 2:07½, 2:09½.

Fourth Day at Grand Rapids.

Grand Rapids, August 12.—The weather early in the week was too good to last, and today there came the visit of Jupiter P. Luvius that horsemen have grown so accustomed to of late. The entire card was carried over and, weather permitting, will be raced later in the week.

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Members of the Santa Ana Driving Club held their second matinee of the season last Saturday and had the three things that combine to make a truly pleasant afternoon of sport—good weather, good attendance and good crowds. E. F. Hall with Maude C. won the mixed event at a half mile and W. R. Murphy put over two winners, taking the 2:20 class with Dr. H. J. Stevens' Doctor S. in 2:20½, and the 2:25 class with Chas. Morgan's Maggie M. in 2:19. Another matinee is planned for some time in September and the plan to hold a county fair in October is steadily gathering supporters. Here's luck.

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The breeding season is drawing to a close and it is a remarkable fact that in view of the strong European demand for horses, and which must continue for some years to come, so little breeding of useful animals has been done by our ranchmen, although the best of our most serviceable mares have been coupled. There is bound to be a great scarcity of horses here in the west before the thing is all over. The war trade has not ceased although it has its spasms of open and shut demand. Buying is likely to continue for several years yet for even after the cruel war is over the call will still be for more horses to go to Europe and there is likely to be a stiffened Mexican demand after they get through scrapping down there. We will also have a continued call for the opening up of the west, for the iron horse is not going to do all of the development work that the years have in store for us. With the return of good times and renewed activities in irrigation development we will need more heavy horses than are available at the present. A horse can not be grown in a season like a bean stalk.—Field and Farm.

Matinee and Butchers' Day Race

Owing to the fact that many of the regulars among the matinee horses were entered in the butchers' day races scheduled for Wednesday, the card for Sunday's matinee was limited to four events, which furnished pleasant entertainment for a fair crowd of spectators. There was less wind and more sunshine than has usually been the case at the P.-P. I. E. course, both features being duly welcomed and fully enjoyed.

The 2:18 pace had the largest field of the afternoon, with six starters, J. C. Simpson and Lady Listole stepping out in front of the bunch. The Lady showed them the way around the last turn but couldn't stand off the rush of Emma M. and Hamburg Belle, the latter winning in a nice drive. Emma hooked in for another try in the second but made a break in the stretch, the Belle winning handily from J. C. Simpson.

In the free-for-all pace Senator H. did an Art Smith stunt on the turn and the feeling was evidently "catching," as Delilah and King Pointer followed suit, Mabel Dillon staying on her feet and going from last to first before reaching the quarter pole. Delilah was the first of the aviation corps to come to earth and set sail for the leader gamely but futilely, Mabel winning with plenty to spare. Next time out Mabel took to the air on the turn while the others stayed pacing, Delilah having a fairly easy win. Delilah went away in the lead in the final trial, Mabel Dillon going into second place owing to breaks by the other two. Burton brought his mare up around the turn and outstepped Delilah in the stretch, Senator H. coming up inside and grabbing the place.

Burton drove his second winner of the day in the free-for-all trot, Muggins being on the trot all the time and having no great trouble in annexing two straight from Birdeye and St. Patrick, the latter breaking under the drive in each heat.

The feature event of the day was a special match between Bradmont and Happy Dentist, two genuinely gentlemanly fun horses, the former piloted by Fred Purner of the Chronicle and the latter ably teamed by Leon Wing of the Examiner, the writer sending 'em away, as Starter Ryan was barred, being the owner of Happy Dentist. President Geo. Giannini, who pays Bradmont's bills, was also requested to leave the stand during the race that no breath of scandal or collusion—not collision—might attach itself thereto. Wing had been practicing during the week but Bradmont was a one to two favorite, the syndicate book writing tickets on Happy at six to five. Purner had instructions to trail to the head of the stretch and then pull out for a Murphy finish, but forgot how close he was to trail and allowed Wing to open up a big lead early in the mile, Happy going to the quarter in :31½ and the half in 1:06. Coming around the turn Purner and Bradmont began moving along and came a fast last quarter, but couldn't cut down Happy's big lead, the old king-pin winning under the wraps in 2:15. Purner protested the race, claiming the starter had bet forty-eight cents on Happy and then deliberately given him the best of the start, but the preponderance of the evidence submitted tended to show that that official had never at one time been possessed of such a princely fortune and the protest was not sustained. The day in detail:

2:18 pace:
Hamburg Belle .....(Schwartz) 1 1
Emma M. .....(Malough) 2 3
J. C. Simpson .....(Goularte) 4 2
Lady Listole .....(Doran) 3 4
Tom Murphy .....(Ayres) 5 5
J. G. P. .....(Cerciat-Martin) 6 6
Time—2:15, 2:14½.

Free-for-all pace:
Mabel Dillon .....(Burton) 1 4 1
Delilah .....(Goularte) 2 1 3
Senator H. .....(Hanks) 4 3 2
King Pointer .....(Lercari) 3 2 4
Time—2:17, 2:15¼, 2:15½

Free-for-all trot:
Muggins .....(Burton) 1 1
St. Patrick .....(Schwartz) 2 2
Birdeye .....(Combatalade) 3 3
Time—2:15½, 2:14¾.

Sporting Editor's Special:
Happy Dentist.....(Leon Wing, Examiner) 1
Bradmont .....(Fred Purner, Chronicle) 2
Time—:31½, 1:06, 1:42, 2:15.

The varied program of races given Wednesday afternoon at the exposition track in connection with the special events of "Butchers' Day" attracted a good crowd of near four thousand spectators and proved interesting from start to finish. Adequate prizes were provided by the exposition management and none were awarded until after a hot contest had been waged.

All races were on the dash order and there were no repeats and no delays, the crowd having a run for its money right along. The 2:18 pace was the first race called, and Tom Murphy, on the pole, went away in front with Lady Listole lapped up and a number of others laying close. In the stretch there was a good brush and J. C. Simpson came through fast enough to win slowing up, with Hamburg Belle a nice second and Emma M. third. Matawan started in to make a runaway affair of the free-for-all trot, St. Patrick getting away slowly and Muggins and Birdeye both breaking on the first turn. St. Patrick gradually picked up speed and overhauled the fading Matawan several lengths from the wire, winning handily out in the clear.

The race for horses used in the retail trade aroused considerable dust as the entrants included none other than Adam G. 2:05½, now seventeen years old but doing service in the shafts of a business buggy in this city. A little heart to heart talk between the various owners and the judges led to Adam being drawn with amicable relations unshattered, but the jock had other ideas and endeavored to start on his own responsibility, the services of the marshal being required to instil other notions into his head. Edna S., a nice little brown pacing mare, gave evidence of the quality of horses in commercial service by winning handily in 2:32½, but what old Adam would have done to the field would have been "a sin and a shame."

The best race of the day was a quarter mile dash between a dozen stalwart members of the mounted police, riding service horses. They made a nice show in the parade to the post and finished in a bunch with a whoop and a holler for good measure, the judges having a little difficulty in picking the winner, Officer Smith, riding On the Carpet, being awarded first place after some consultation.

Jack and King Pointer went to the front in the early portion of the 2:15 pace, but Mabel Dillon answered a hurry up call down the inside passage of the back stretch and was never headed after once getting in the lead, Happy Dentist finishing strongly for place. The free-for-all pace had the closest finish of the lot, W. J. K. coming from behind after breaking on the first turn and nipping Dick W. in a sizzling brush to win by a head. Greatness would have been a closer contender had she not been carried wide in the stretch owing to a break by Vera Hal.

The Roman race by four of Uncle Sam's lads from the Presidio gave the crowd a diversion from the usual course and was won handily by Corporal Watts' pair, who had a bit the best of the start. The boys from "the yards" put up a hot quarter mile dash on cow ponies, Santos and Tom Mora having the legs of the bunch with Babe and Cowboy. W. J. Kenney did the starting of all events save the Roman race, which was handled by Lieut. Lewis Brown. The active judges were D. O. Lively, Jack Holland and John Nowlan, with Chief White presiding during the police fray, as he wanted to be sure there was no pulling among that bunch. The time was caught by S. S. Bates, Fred Clotere and Geo. Giannini, and the details are as follows:

Butchers' Convention Stake, 2:18 pace:
J. C. Simpson, b g by San Mateo...(Frank Goularte) 1
Hamburg Belle, b m by Stilwell.....(Al Schwartz) 2
Emma M., b m by Stilwell.....(Wm. Malough) 3
Tom Murphy, b g by Gossiper.....(Ed Ayres) 4
Victor Pointer, Aerolite Jr., and Zallan also started.
Time—2:15¼.

Master Butchers' Stake, Free-for-all trot:
St. Patrick, b g by Direcho.....(Al Schwartz) 1
Matawan, b g by Athadon.....(H. Cohen) 2
Muggins, ch g by Jack Hawkins Jr...(Frank Burton) 3
Birdeye, ro g by Birdman.....(A. Combatalade) 4
Time—2:19¼.

Retail Butchers' Cart race:
Edna S., br m.....(D. Belluomini) 1
Steve D., ch g.....(Jack Tassi) 2
Dandy, b g.....(Joe Bacciocco) 3
May Day, b m.....(John Dechler) 4
Time—2:32½.

Mounted Police Race, quarter mile (pedigrees not guaranteed):
On the Carpet, by The Commissioners (Officer Smith) 1
Fog Belt, by Wind and Water.....(Officer McTernan) 2
Jitney Jam, by Henry Ford.....(Officer Coates) 3
Gum Shoe, by Peanut Politician.....(Officer Hanley) 4

Also started:
Alibi, by The Suspect.....(Officer Coghlan)
Patrol, by Roundsman on the Beat.....(Officer Dolan)
Jail Bird, by Criminal Instinct.....(Officer Hawkins)
The Copper, by Political Appointment..(Officer Hanna)
Third Degree, by Desk Sergeant.....(Officer Lynott)
Stool, by Snitch the Squealer.....(Officer Pidgeon)
Small Book, by The Cigar Man.....(Officer Truitt)
Trusty, by Warden's Favor.....(Officer McLagy)
Time—:26½.

Deutche Metzger Verein Stake, 2:15 pace:
Mabel Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon..(Frank Burton) 1
Happy Dentist, ch g by Nutwood Wilkes(Al Schwartz) 2
Delilah, b m by Zolock.....(Frank Goularte) 3
Jack, br g .....(Ed Ayres) 4
Palitea, Senator H. and King Pointer also started.
Time—2:12½.

Cavalrymen's Roman Race, three-eighths:
Caesar and Cleopatra.....(Corporal Watts) 1
Ben Hur and Claudius.....(Trumpeter Trummel) 2
Tiber and Rome.....(Sergeant Ashenfelter) 3
Pompeii and Vesuvius.....(Private Troutmiller) 4
Time—:40½.

Journeymen and Union Butchers Stake, free-for-all pace:
W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince.....(Wm. Smith) 1
Dick W., b g by Athadon.....(Al Schwartz) 2
Greatness, br f by Peter Wilton.....(Doc Martin) 3
Vera Hal, b m by Expressive Mac.....(H. Cohen) 4
Time—2:10½.

Vaquero race, cow horses only, quarter:
Babe .....(Santos Mora) 1
Cowboy .....(Tom Mora) 2
Sealskin .....(E. P. Rand) 3
Freckleface .....(H. Nuchols) 4
Roughneck, Dell, Banjo, White Stockings and Snowball also started.
Time—:25.

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Anyone in the market for a handsome, good sized stallion of the McKinney family can get a line on same by addressing E. O. Voyer, 219 Third street, Petaluma. The horse is eight years old and never trained regularly but can show a mile at the pace in 2:20.

NOTES and NEWS

he Grand Circuit crosses the boundary next week, campaigners on the big line being due for a fort- t's sojourn at Montreal.

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hree great days at Grand Rapids and then one a good one—for ducks. Salem has nothing on h G. C. tracks this summer for uncertain footing.

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ou Taylor has changed the base of his operations n San Jose to Hemet and is now taking his work he twice-around at the Hemet Stock Farm.

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. Olsen, whose address is 1450 Firty-sixth avenue, land, offers for sale through our business col- s a sound six-year-old gelding, a stylish, hand- e lad, that has shown a mile in 2:14 with little k. He is bred nicely and the ad may interest .

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ill Durfee took over San Jacinto 2:05¼ for ning when he returned to Los Angeles, and the evine telegraph reports that the son of Geo. W. Kinney turned the Durfee track lately in 2:03½. is a very fast horse and ought to be useful in l's hands.

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. Compton has a good green trotter at Santa Rosa, on of Lynwood W., that has made speed rapidly of . He has had no over-supply of training so far, on last Friday circled the Santa Rosa course in 7, with the last half in 1:04 and the final quarter :31½.

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One of the features of the Davenport races was contest between DeRyder Brothers with Miss fection and Spriggan, the former winning the first third heats in 2:09¼ each, while the gelding k the second in 2:11¼. Some of those present ught it was a hippodrome and Charles and Wil- n were haled before the judges to show cause y, wherefore, and so on—and evidently "showed" right, as they were not penalized.

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The Reno meeting, which has been a gratifying cess for a starter under the new regulations in vada, comes to a close today and the bulk of the rses will arrive here early in the week to prepare the opening of the Golden Gate Thoroughbred eeders' Association meet next Saturday at the position track. Quite a delegation of runners are eady on deck and the opening day card will be good one.

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Hal McKinney 2:06¼ is "quite some pacer" over e two lap tracks this season for Bob Sebastian and s been paying dividends pretty steadily—as a atter of fact, Bob's horses are all staying in the oney pretty regularly. Down at Wahoo, Nebraska, e nine-year-old son of Hal B. hung up a new state cord by pacing three heats in 2:08¼, 2:09¼ and 07¾, Columbia Fire and Sir Lain keeping him ose company. Fred Ward's horses also gave good count of themselves at the same meeting.

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The Grand Circuit campaigners showed their ap- reciation of good weather Tuesday afternoon at rand Rapids by hanging up what looks like a record the matter of average time for a four event card. he 2:08 pace was reeled off in 2:04¼, 2:02¾, .04¾; the 2:08 trotters went their routes in 2:04¾, :05¼, 2:05½; the 2:04 trotters went in 2:06½, :05¼, while the 2:03 pacers could only do 2:00¾, :02½—and William and Directum I. were in the arn! The eleven heats average just a trifle slower han 2:04¼, which is certainly moving along some.

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With the retirement of J. J. Gethin from the man- gement of the Riding and Driving School, S. E. ramer assumed control of the popular establish- ent at 701 Seventh avenue, which will be known enceforth simply as the San Francisco Riding chool. Mr. Kramer has many friends among lovers f the bridle path and show ring both here and in ther cities of the coast, and will leave nothing un- one to insure the success of the school. Improve- ents under way mean an increase in comfort and fficiency which will be appreciated highly by the atrons of the school, and many pleasant special eatures are planned for future entertainment.

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As there is to be no fair this year at Santa Rosa nd consequently no opportunity offered, as usual, for he marking of any young stuff, the Sonoma County Driving Club, of which M. D. Forsyth is secretary, will hold a record meeting on Saturday, August 21, at the track at Santa Rosa, at which time a number f local horsemen will put some new ones in the list. On Sunday, August 29, the club will also give a mat- nee at the same track, staging four or five harness aces for Sonoma county horses, there being plenty available to insure a nice card. The afternoon's sport will be varied by an exhibition by Joe Ryan's famous guideless pacer, College Maid, as well as some field stunts by the members of the U. S. engi- neering corps who are encamped at the track.

Charley Spencer, who will race through the north- west, expects to ship from Pleasanton about the twentieth of this month, going first to Baker, Oregon. Will Duncan is another Californian who will take in a number of meetings in that section, and the Silva- Daniels horses left for Vancouver some days ago.

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The many California friends of F. D. Meyers, formerly of Hemet, will regret to learn that he has decided to remain at his old home in Pennsylvania where his business interests are centered, this course causing him to seek a buyer for the great brood mare Bonnie Ailse 2:08½ and her two filly foals by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼, one a two-year-old and the other a suckling, all now at Hemet Stock Farm. Bonnie Ailse is the dam of those good young things in Will Dur- fee's stable, Contention B. (3) 2:08¼ and Carlschen (2) 2:23, and with her Wilbur Lou foals should be worth much more than the moderate price asked. Particulars appear elsewhere, and communications addressed to Mr. Myers in care of this office will be properly cared for.

WAHOO, NEBRASKA.

July 29.—2:24 trot, $400:
Charm King, b m by Norval King.....1 1 2 2 1
El Bel Maden, b m by Almaden D.....3 2 1 1 2
Pronto J., blk g by Strathway.....2 4 5 3 3
Triola, b m.....5 3 3 3
Kitty Red, Red Rico, The Orphan, Sand Hill Pete also started.
Time—2:19¼, 2:21, 2:21½, 2:23¼.

2:22 pace, $400:
Van Sickle, b h by Gambetta Wilkes.....6 1 1 1
Louie Mac, b g breeding untraced.....1 2 2 2
Charline, b g by Shade On.....2 3 3 3
Lulu D., 3-5-5-ds.; Frank Holloway, Kara King Will, Armadillo, Fred Hill also started.
Time—2:15, 2:17¼, 2:18, 2:19¼.

2:15 trot, $400:
David Look, br g by Wilask.....2 1 1 1
Lord Duke, b g by Jackdaw.....1 2 3 3
Heir Reaper, blk h by Early Reaper.....4 3 2 2
Dr. Wayo, b h by Wilkhurst.....3 4 4 5
Time—2:16¼, 2:17, 2:17¾, 2:18.

July 30.—2:12 pace, $400:
M. T., b g by Conrad.....1 1 1
*Shadeline, ch h by Shade On.....3 6 2
*Shady Butterfly, blk m by Shade On.....4 4 3
†Cecil Boy, blk g by Cecil Lee.....5 3 6
†Cambridge Belle, blk m by Kiti Bells.....7 2 5
Joe Joe, Gallant Constantine and R. W. E. also started.
(*Divided second and third; †divided fourth.)

2:19 trot, $400:
Edith Alltell, b m by Alltell.....1 1 1
Great Northern, br g by Wayland W.....2 2 2
George Sumers, b g by Major Vidmer.....3 4 6
*The Corsair, cr h by Walnut Hall.....5 6 3
*Joe Vincent, b h by Knight Vincent.....4 5 5
John Emerson, Checkheart, Jack Panic and Chief also started. (*Divided fourth.)
Time—2:17¼, 2:13¼, 2:14¼

2:17 pace, $400:
John Mills, b g by Shade On.....1 1 1
Helen Chimes, b m, breeding wanted.....2 1 2
Ora Vidmer, blk m by Major Vidmer.....4 3 5
Budweiser, br m by Allie Wilkes.....7 4 2
Allator, Freda G., Don Quixote, Last Chance also started.
Time—2:13¼, 2:11¼, 2:12¼.

July 31.—Three-year-old trot, purse $200:
D. J. Burke, b g by The Corsair.....(Huber) 1 3 1
Daisy Todd, b f by George Todd.....(Rhodes) 2 1 2
Lord Archdale, br c by Archdale.....(Parks) 3 2 ro
Office Boy, b g by Dr. Igo.....(Hill) 4 4 ro
Rose Hedgewood, 5-5-ro.
Time—2:18¼, 2:19¼, 2:19½.

2:08 pace, purse $400:
Hal McKinney, b h by Hal B.....(Sebastian) 1 1 1
Columbia Fire, b g by Pactolus.....(Stantz) 2 2 3
Sirlain, ro g by Earlain.....(Owens) 3 3 2
C. D. M., 4-4-dis.
Time—2:08¼, 2:09¾, 2:07¾.

2:30 trot, purse $400:
Pronto J., bl g by Strathway....(Sebastian) 7 6 1 1 1
Billy Murray, b g by Norval Chief..(Jenkis) 2 1 2 3 3
California B., b g by Athasham..(Beezley) 6 2 4 2 2
Charley Marrs, b g by Prince Charley, Williams 1-4-3-dis.; Tommy Hooper, 3-3-dis.; Allie Axwood, 4-5-dr.; Great Ivan, 5-7-dr.; Queen Traveler, 8-dr.
Time—2:22¼, 2:16¾, 2:17½, 2:17½, 2:22.

DAVENPORT, IOWA.

July 30 (track fair).—2:17 trot, $1,500:
Miss Perfection (4), b m by General Watts....(C. DeRyder) 1 1 ro
Caroline, b m by John B. Donovan.....(Jones) 8 3 1
Baron Bates, b h by Baron Wilkes Jr.(.....(H. Chandler) 3 2 4
Slip Past, b m by E. M. R.....(W. Taylor) 7 4 3
The Proof, br h by The Exponent.....(Parker-C. DeRyder) 6 8 2
Baroness Parmelia, b m by Baron Will Tell(Bliss) 2 5 ds
Blanche B., b m by Sampson Wilkie (Brittenfield) 4 7 dr
Judge Spencer, 9-6-ds.; Mawitza, 5-ds.; Peter Dallas, ds.
Time—2:12½, 2:11¼, 2:11¼.

2:20 pace, $1,500:
Sayde Densmore (4), ch m by Don Densmore....(H. Thomas) 1 3 1
Leo Tell, ch h by Leo Muscovite....(Brittenfield)11 1 2
Hal Actor, br h by Actonward.....(Jones) 4 4 6
Madam Mac, b m by Expressive Mac (C. DeRyder)9 5 3
Justice B., b h by Constenaro.....(Smith) 3 9 8
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium....(W. DeRyder)10 7 4
Good News, b g by New Richmond.....(Rash) 2 2 ds
Baron Watts, 7-6-5; Josie Knight, 8-10-7; Hedgewood Lad, 6-8-ds.; Cora Blackford, ds.; Oro Blanco, ds.; Pure Fast, ds.; Sir Shelby, ds.
Time—2:05¾, 2:06¼, 2:07½.

2:10 pace, $600:
Joe Murphy, br g by Chambertin.....(Saunders) 1 1 1
Blueline, b h by Pearline.....(Jones) 2 2 2
Dan Mac, b g by Legateer.....(Williams) 3 3 3
May Davis, ch m by Borado.....(Robbins) 4 4 5
Society Leader, br h by Don Corbett.....(Smith) 5 5 4
Major Hardie, ds.
Time—2:08½, 2:08¼, 2:08½.

July 31.—2:16 pace, $600:
Lee Dale, br h by Archdale.....(Russell) 1 1 1
Bessie R., br m by G. W. Sentell.....(Millman) 3 2 2
Don B., br g by Don Densmore....(H. Thomas) 2 3 6
Little George, b g by George Muscovite (Rodman) 4 4 4
Jenny Fitzsimons, b m by Bob Fitzsimmons...(Dennis) 6 5 3
Pearl James, 8-6-5; George Edward, 7-8-ds; Fanny Shirley, 5-7-dr.; The Sheriff, ds.
Time—2:09¼, 2:10¼, 2:09¼.

Three-year-old pace, $600:
Sypwood, br c by Stronkwood.....(S. Taylor) 1 3 1
Wanda, b f by Chambertin.....(W. Dunn) 2 1 2
Eva Smoot, b f by Peter Clay.....(Frost) 4 2 3
Oregon Hal, br c by Hal B.....(Dennis) 3 4 4
Tiowa, 5-5-dr.; Directu J., ds.; Michael A. Powers, ds.
Time—2:08¼, 2:11¼, 2:10¼.

2:25 trot, $1,500:
Miss Perfection, b m by Gen. Watts (C. DeRyder) 1 2 1
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney (W. DeRyder) 2 1 2
Dette, blk m by The Director General (Millman) 6 4 3
Dictor Luster, br g by Redlac.....(H. Chandler) 3 7 5
Anzonetta, b m by Lewis Wilkes....(Breeding) 3 7 5
Brisac, blk h by Bingara.....(Palmer) 4 8 6
Celia Dillon, 5-6-7; Grand Chimes, 7-5-9; Rala Hall, 8-9-8.
Time—2:09¼, 2:11¼, 2:09¼.

Three-year-old trot, $600:
Allie Watts, ch f by General Watts.....(Edman) 1 1 1
Last Sheet, b f by Mainsheet.....(H. Thomas) 4 2 3
Miss Parkwood, br f by Parkwood.....(Midbo) 2 6 4
George N. Patterson, blk c by On Voyage.....(C. DeRyder) 3 3 7
The Index, b f by The Exponent.....(Grubb) 7 7 2
Lowell Axworthy, b c by Axworthy..(A. Thomas) 5 4 5
Isworthy McKinney, 6-5-6; Barsac, ds.

2:13 pace, $1,500:
Black Ball, blk h by The Patchen Boy (D. Wilson) 2 1 4
Blue Line, b h by Pearline.....(Jones) 8 4 1
Willis Woodland, b h by Woodland Boy (Merrell) 1 6 3
Strathtell, b h by Motell.....(Barnes) 3 3 2
Gypsy Margrave, ro m by Margrave..(S. Taylor) 5 2 8
Dad Mix, b g by Robert Mix.....(Shuck) 4 7 5
Star Brook, 6-5-6; Dexter M., 7-8-7; Kellerville Kid, 9-ds.; Imbro, 7-8-7.
Time—2:06¼, 2:08¼, 2:10¼.

GOOD ENTRY LISTS AT SPOKANE.

Five harness races have been filled for the big meet of the Spokane Interstate Fair during the week of September 15.

These events include 18 entries in the 2:25 pace, 13 in the 2:18 pace, 10 in the 2:11 pace, 11 in the 2:25 trot and 10 in the 2:15 trot.

For two years there has been no harness races at the Spokane Interstate Fair, and the filling of so many under conditions existing is a surprise to horse- men and assures a good meet.

On Friday, Sept. 17, Derby Day, the 2:25 pace, with 18 starters, the big event of the harness meet, will be called. It looks as though it would be the best race of the meeting, for the entries comprise some of the best green pacers in the Northwest. More horses have been trained at Spokane and more have been entered here this year than in the past ten years, proving the revival in the interest in the light harness game.

The harness races will begin on Thursday, Sept. 16, and continue through Saturday. Monday and Tuesday have been set apart exclusively for automo- bile races, while Wednesday will be devoted to the starting of the men's $1,250 relay race, the ladies' relay race, novelty and feature races.

On Thursday, Sept. 16, the 2:25 trot and the 2:16 pace are slated, and on Saturday the 2:15 trot and the 2:11 pace will be put on.

Horses are entered from Montana, Washington, Oregon, California, British Columbia and Saskatch- ewan, and the best on the northwest circuit will be seen here.

The entries, officially announced by Secretary Geo. P. Larsen, are as follows:

2:25 trot, purse $750—Al McK., b h, J. A. Bush, Spo- kane; Claud Woodford, blk h, Thos. Battell, Moose Jaw, Sask.; Hops, blk h, E. N. Townsend, Dayton, Wash.; Peter R., b h, W. C. McDooley, Sprague; Hallie D., b m, Mrs. L. W. Watts, Portland; Monte Carlyle, blk g, W. F. Sheets, Walla Walla; Floradora Z., br m, P. J. McCor- mick, Seattle; Zombrowno, b g, Fred T. Merrill, Portland; Novella, b m, J. B. Stetson, Portland; Amy McKinney, blk m, A. A. Fidler, Haines, Ore.; Perrico, b g, Zeigler & Moisner, Portland.

2:18 pace, purse $750—Molly, b m, M. Leggett, Hanford, Cal.; Truxton King, ch h, W. C. McDooley, Sprague; Sis- ter Norte, b m, Wm. Gumm, Spokane; Frank Zolock, ch g, John Lance, North Yakima; Hal Edo, b m, W. S. Abbott, Portland; Scarlet Trent, b h, L. Thompson, Re- gina, Sask.; Roxcy Hal, gr m, John Hoffman, Salem; Lot- tie Dishman, gr m, J. J. Bartholomew, Reardon, Wash.; Jennie May, br m, O. Squires, Portland; Dan L., b g, J. A. Bush, Spokane; Spanlock, blk h, J. E. Marshall, Union, Ore.; Chestnut Hal, ch g, J. R. Daily, Missoula, Mont.

2:25 pace, purse $750—Tosoro, b m, C. A. Harrison, Se- attle; King Zolock, b h, Ed. Dennison, Portland; Glad Wren, blk m, Al. Mitchell, Vancouver, B. C.; Cold Star, b g, J. A. Lytle, Waterville, Wash.; Lena Patch, blk m, A. J. Brown, Gresham; Gazelle Deer, b m, Thos. Huson, Spokane; Teddy Ham, blk g, C. S. Turner, Davenport; Nellie J., b m, D. H. Young, Sprague; T. R. McGregor, b h, J. V. Shaw, Sprague; Maud Defiance, br m, J. G. Sewell, Walla Walla; William C., s g, Wm. Duncan, Co- lusa, Cal.; Heigh Ho, br h, A. R. Cooper, Vancouver, Wash.; Royal Express, b h, Mary Kimball, Union, Ore.; Sally H., b m, F. V. McCarthy, Salem; Nigger Boy, blk h, John Lance, North Yakima; Hal Bear, b g, Hall & Brese- len, Portland; Tillamook Maid, blk m, W. F. Shultz, Forest Grove, Ore.; Courtney W., blk g, Thos. Battell, Moose Jaw, Sask.

2:15 trot, purse $750—Frisco, ch g, John Lance, North Yakima; Margerite A., b m, P. J. McCormick, Seattle; Dan Mathews, b g, B. Thompson, Regina, Sask.; Nuristo, br h, Alex Brown, Pleasanton, Cal.; Bonnie Ansel, b m, Chas. Spencer, Pleasanton; Oakland Moore, b g, G. K. Howett, Portland; Wild Girl, b m, Mrs. Sadie Keyt, Salem; Heartwood, blk h, Thos Battell, Moose Jaw, Sask.; Sargo, b g, Brooker & Bluerock, Vancouver, Wash.; Bitter Root Rose, blk m, A. Goff, Corvallis, Mont

2:11 pace, purse $750—Bonnie Antrim, b g, C. Todd, Portland; Glen Rose, blk m, John Roberts, Spokane; Hal Edo, b m, W. C. Abbott, Portland; Recall, b h, John Lance, North Yakima; Big Squag, blk m, E. N. Jones, Spokane; Ella Erickson, b m, John R. Jennings, Victoria, B. C.; Red Hal, b h, Fred T. Merrill, Portland; Ed Kar- nack, ch g, J. R. Baily, Missoula, Mont.; Soumise, b m, M. Leggett, Hanford, Cal.; Parkwood, b h, Mrs. Mary E. Kimball, Union, Ore.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

HOW TO BECOME A TRACK SUPERINTENDENT.

Manager The Horseman's Correspondence School: Have just been appointed Track Superintendent for our coming fair, but the only experience I have ever had in the way of tracks, was to built a two-foot patch from the kitchen door to the hencoop for my wife, my regular business being a bartender, but I think with a few instructions from your department I could ride the burrow without being thrown off. Yours, G. I. N. Slinger.

You have had a larger experience in building tracks than you really give yourself credit for, as outside of that track to the hencoop, which you built to keep peace in your family, you have built tracks to that hot place where his highness, the Devil, is king, for many who rested their foot on the third rail of your bar and ordered liquid fire in wholesale quantities (we are not preaching prohibition, but only trying to prevent you from hiding your track building experience under a bashful attitude). The race track sometimes leads to fire and you will almost think the same way when you get done hearing the compliments handed you during and after the fair.

If you have a kind hearted and mild disposition and do not take rough and uncouth language too seriously, you will be a success in taking care of a track, but if you resent everything said to you, a course in prize fighting will help you a lot before the week is over. You must remember that the driver of every horse in each race who does not win, blames you for his defeat, because if the track had been good the horse would have won. These drivers of course do not figure on how the winner got there first over the same track. If you hang around the hotels and stopping places at night, you will hear lots of remarks such as: "I could have beaten that horse easily, only I stepped in a hole on the back stretch." These drivers never find holes on the home stretch, the judges' stand is too near.

You should take charge of the track not earlier than the morning before the first race. Walk around it and look wise, there will always be a number of hangers-on present to cheer you on your way and to greet you at the finish of your round. As soon as you arrive back at the front of the grandstand, join these loitering groups and tell them in what a rotten condition the track is. A lot of horses may have been training over it all spring and negotiated some fast miles, but this fact need not interfere with you in expressing your opinion of its being in rotten condition and tell everyone that you intend making it the fastest track in the world.

You then order out or take out the team hooked to a harrow, drive the teeth down in this, until they extend about six inches; this will give you a good, strong bite on the bit of earth and when you look back at your work, you can easily see that the harrow has got its work in good and strong. Have no compunction about tearing up the nice cushion already on the track, as the man who put it there was ignorant and your expert knowledge is worth much more. The track will look like a ploughed field when you get through harrowing, but never mind, you have your own ideas on the subject.

After you have the track in good round cussing condition, put on your scraper and drive the wrong way of the track, starting on the outside, and by the time you have reached the pole there will be a nice hill formed for the pole-horses to beat down when scoring and racing. The drivers of these horses will be tickled to death that they drew the pole. Of course, after the thorough scratching up you give the track it will be nice and rough for the horses and drivers, but help the tire and sulky company to make a better living.

After you get through with the scraper, get out your water wagon and give the track a good soaking; this will help to smooth it out, as you know mud always runs, and if you have it in splashing condition everybody will be joyful. You will be unable to put the harrow on so deep the next day, as by that time the drivers have themselves together and have already formed resolutions that may result in bodily injury to yourself if you persist in farming during the race meeting.

You should be a good weather prophet and if it looks like rain any night before the races, soak the track well, as you know the more water there is on the track, the quicker it will dry. Your cart, assisted by the rain, will give you a splendid duck pond for the drivers and judges to talk over next day. This will also give you a chance to work original ideas on drying as well as to find out how many friends you have in the community among auto riders, because when you ask them to ride around the track and beat out the water, many will not appreciate the job, as muddy gears are hard to clean and the fact that you refused them passes into the grounds will also have a tendency to make them bashful.

With all this mud on your hands to dry up, you will see the advantage of scraping up that hill of dirt around the pole, as it prevents the water from running into the ditches, and when the balance of the track is dry, you will have about five feet of slippery dirt around the inner fence, which is fine to drive over. The horsemen may interview you and speak harsh words, but the world is large and you can tell them that you did not invite their presence. This kind of talk makes you popular and will also help the secretary to get entries next year.

You can also make yourself popular, by being on the track with your water-wagon, harrow or scraper, while most of the horses are being warmed up, as it is very pleasing to the drivers to round a turn suddenly and find you and your team plodding along. They must pull up their horses for safety's sake, but you are the boss and your association is giving them money to race for. If they do not pull up in time and injure the horse, it is not your loss as the driver should look where he is driving. Be particular in selecting a slow moving team.

If conditions require that you scrape or brush the track between heats, this slow team will give the judges and crowd plenty of time to admire your way of doing business. Then when you mount the throne of your water wagon between heats, always endeavor to have a leaky cart, stop still often, thus allowing patches of wet and slippery mud to accumulate on the track, as this is a splendid idea, since it teaches many horses to become expert hurdlers. The drivers also like these wet spots, as it gives them a chance to exercise their authority over the horse, although sometimes it does prevent them from getting money.

If at any time during the meeting you become tired of working the track and taking the impudent calls from judges and horsemen, you can hire a substitute. If you select the proper man for this job you can have a lot of fun. Pick out some foreigner that does not understand the English language, and then let everybody yell at him as they please. He does not understand and will obey your orders only. Many track superintendents have a lot of fun this way and escape direct criticism. Another thing that drivers and horses both like is to have a watering cart come on them unannounced and sprinkle them well with water. You can see their faces (the drivers') wreathed in smiles that portend damage if you are within reaching distance.

When you get through with this job you will find there is more safety in building a track to a hundred hen-coops, even if your wife is bossing the job. These pointers on bossing a track during a race meeting may help you a little, so good bye and may luck be with you.—W. H. Shields, in The Horseman.

SHOW DATES AT THE EXPOSITION.

From September 30 to December 3, the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco will be the scene of a succession of live stock shows which, it is believed, will surpass any ever held in the United States, or even in the world. From the list of those who have already signified their intention to participate, it is assumed that in all the shows animals and poultry of the finest quality, and in large quantity, will be represented. Almost half a million dollars have been appropriated for the live stock features of the exposition. The exposition itself has apportioned $190,000 for cash prizes for live stock and horse show; forty-five breed record associations have set aside $100,327 for special premiums and the commissions of various states have appropriated a total of $150,230 for participation of live stock from their respective regions. The quarantine has been raised in practically all the states and stock shipments can now be made without restriction.

The fact that the exposition is now on a sound financial basis, its net profits increasing monthly, assures the carrying out of the extensive preparations made for shows, which will be as follows:

Horses, mules and asses—Sept. 30-Oct. 13; entries close Sept. 1, stock received Sept. 25.

Cattle, beef and dairy—Oct. 18-Nov. 1; entries close Sept. 15, stock received Oct. 15.

Sheep, goats and swine—Nov. 3-Nov. 15; entries close Oct. 1, stock received Nov. 1.

Car lots of live sheep—Nov. 11-Nov. 14; entries close Oct. 10, stock received Nov. 10.

Poultry and pigeons—Nov. 18-Nov. 28; entries close Oct 15, stock received Nov. 16.

Dogs, cats and pet stock—Nov. 29-Dec. 1; entries close Oct. 25, stock received Nov. 27.

Children's pets—Dec. 1-3; entries close Nov. 15, stock received Nov. 27.

During their stay at the exposition, the various kinds of stock will be housed in stalls and pens constructed along the most improved lines of sanitation and convenience, which in themselves will be instructive exhibits. There will be no charge for stall or pen rent, but there will be a nominal fee for receiving, cooping, benching, feeding, exhibiting and returning poultry, pigeons, dogs, cats and pet stock. The exposition will protect exhibitors from overcharge by providing them with feed at cost price.

Inasmuch as some exhibitors may wish to ship stock of various classes all at the same time, Chief D. O. Lively, of the exposition live stock department, through the courtesy and co-operation of the California State Agricultural Society, has arranged to make use of the state fair grounds at Sacramento, Cal., as a temporary depot for such shipments, where they can be cared for while awaiting the time for their reception at the exposition. Special arrangements have to be made with Chief Lively by those desiring to avail themselves of this convenience. While at the Sacramento depot, there is no charge for the sanitary stalls, pens or water or other facilities.

Special live stock trains will be sent from Chicago, Kansas City, Omaha and other central points direct to San Francisco.

On the exposition grounds, every convenience and every safeguard for health has been provided by the exposition management for live stock. Being now on a profitable financial basis, the exposition is abundantly able to carry out all its projects. That its net profits are increasing rapidly is shown by the f that for the last three weeks of July they amoun to $210,243.09, which is more than the entire profits for the first twenty weeks of the exposit period. The gate receipts show a steady gain fr week to week.

Arrangements have been made with the Transc tinental Freight bureau and the Pacific Freight Ta bureau by which the roads party to them will ret live stock sent to the exposition free of charge, I vided the outgoing freight and terminal charges ha been paid in full in advance. On similar shipme not returned, a rebate of 25 per cent will be made.

While the competitions for premiums will not c mence until Sept. 30, many fine animals have be on exhibition throughout the exposition period. Pro inent among them are displays of Percheron a Shire horses, Berkshire hogs and dairy cattle, alsc fine poultry exhibit.

REFINING A MULE.

The mayor of a Missouri city has offered a rewa to any person who will keep a mule from braying night. We have no hope to hold out to the may We once thought we knew a sure cure for a mule affected, but now we do not even feel competent give advice on the subject. It takes a person w great depth of character to refrain from giving vice, especially on a subject he doesn't know a thing about. On the subject of braying we no long pose as an authority.

We had read in a paper when we were a boy th a mule could be made to give up its craving for so by tying a stone to its tail, the article pointing that a mule could not bray unless it could raise tail. When a neighbor came to us one day sayi that his mule did not rest well at night we quick volunteered to cure it. In our younger days we we ready to right every wrong. The first moment t mule lifted its voice on the evening quiet we pick up a stone, wrapped it with baling wire and slipp out to the barn where the mule was tied in a sta Opening the door we stepped inside and put our ha on the mule. Its back bent up like a spring, but did not stop to think about that. Then we beg tying the baling wire to the animal's tail. So pro were we that we were doing something to help alo mankind that we hummed a tune as we worke After we had fastened the wire to the part of t creature's anatomy just mentioned we stepped ba to contemplate our work and to think what a lar sized wrong we had righted.

Then things began to happen that had not occurr to us before. We noticed that the mule had gather its four feet closer and closer together, like a c standing on a saucer, but the significance of this d not dawn on us. It did not occur to us that t creature would do anything unworthy of itself. would surely know that we were doing this for own good, but we had reckoned without taking in consideration a mule's ingratitude. We started reach out our hand to calm the creature's troubl spirit, but our hand never reached its destinatic In a moment we found ourselves on the ground o side the barn, having left by way of the wall. board crashed beside us. Before we could get the whole end of the barn came over and got dov on the ground beside us—the stone was still hangi to the mule's tail. The stall came flying out, too, we got up and crawled away. Then all was silenc and we knew that the stone was off the mule's tail.

We worked our way over to where the mule w still tied. It was peacefully standing there, calm munching hay, as if nothing had marred its evening quietude. Softly we stole away, leaving the creatu to its own reflections. That is the reason there no need of anyone coming to us and asking us cure a mule of braying in the night. We are no content to leave a mule to its own devices, and to a mayors we give out the word that we have disco tinued the mule branch of our business—Kansas Ci Star.

REGINA, SASKATCHEWAN.

July 27.—2:30 trot, $800:

Katie Todd, b m by Kentucky Todd.....(McGirr)	1	1		
Canuck, b g by Vermont.....(Falls)	2	2		
Adeline, b m by Johnline.....(Lewis)	3	3		
Aero Dillon, b h by Sidney Dillon.....(McDonald)	4	4		

Mercury, 5-5-dr.

Time—2:17½, 2:16¾, 2:19.

2:25 pace, $800:

Lady Halford, ch m by Young Hal.....7	1	1		
Hollybrand, b g by Tidal Wave.....(Spencer)	1	5	5	
Jim Mayburn, br h by Will Mayburn..(Haag)	2	3	6	
Flashlight, b h, breeding wanted...(Dompier)	3	4	2	

Josie Bowers, 4-2-3-5; Minnie B. B., 5-6-4-6; Courtne W., 6-7-ds.

July 28.—2:15 trot, $500:

Copius, b g by La Copia.....(McGirr)	1	1		
Alta Mac, b m by Redlac.....(Parker)	3	4		
Corneo, b g by Constara.....(Squelch)	4	2		

Time—2:19½, 2:17½, 2:20¼.

2:15 trot, $800:

King Okla, b g by Symboleer....(Lewis)	1	2	2	1 3
Scarlet Trent, b g by Provos.(C. Brown)	5	4	1	2 1
Hal Chief, b g by Hal B.....(Matheson)	2	1	3	4 2
Alpha Dell, b g by Alvin L.....(Vance)	4	3	4	3 4

Ima Starr, 3-5-5-5-dr.

Time—2:14, 2:13¼, 2:13¾, 2:15, 2:15½, 2:22.

July 29.—2:20 trot, $300:

Katie Todd, b m by Kentucky Todd....(Haag)	3	1	1	
Midnight Oro, blk h by Oro Wilkes...(Right)	1	3	3	
The Fact, ro m by The Exponent...(Dompier)	2	2	4	
Canuck, b g by Vermont.....(Falls)	4	4	2	

Time—2:22½, 2:18, 2:21, 2:16½.

2:10 pace, $500:

King Bond, b h by The Bondsman.....(Lewis)	1	1		
Knight Onwardo, b h by Twelfth Night..(McGirr)	2	2		
Nellie G., blk m by Simored.....(Matheson)	3	3		
Mischief, b g by Gen. Forest.....(Haag)	4	4		

Time—2:12, 2:11¾, 2:12.

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CALIFORNIA GAME RESOURCES.

[By Harold C. Bryant.]

The American white-fronted goose, or speckle-belly goose, as it is usually called by the hunters, is a much prized game bird in California. It is found throughout central and western North America and northeastern Asia. The species breeds on and near the Arctic coast from northeastern Siberia east to northeastern Mackenzie and south the lower Yukon valley. The winter season is spent in the southern half of the United States and northern Mexico in North America, and in China and Japan in Asia. On the Pacific side of North America the winter home occupies the area lying between British Columbia and Lower California.

The white-fronted goose is a common winter visitant to suitable localities throughout California, but is most numerous on the plains and in the marshes of the Sacramento and the San Joaquin valleys. This goose is the first one to arrive in the fall and the last one to leave in the spring. The early arrival of this species is doubtless responsible for the newspaper articles regarding the predictions of an early winter which are so commonly offered by the local riseacres. The species has been recorded as early as September 7 and as late as May 3.

The white-fronted goose is sufficiently different from other geese to make it easy of identification. The speckled or blotched lower surface, giving rise to one of its popular names, "speckle belly," and the conspicuous white forehead are distinctive features. Additional characters are large size, wholly dark wings and upper parts, light colored bill with edges of mandibles separated, giving a peculiar grinning expression to the birds, and the reddish yellow feet. The very loud, harsh calls are stated by hunters to be of peculiar quality.

This goose breeds abundantly in Alaska. The nest is a small depression with a slight lining of grass, moss and down, and is usually placed on the grassy border of a small lake or on a grassy islet. The maximum number of eggs in a set appears to be seven. The young are guarded by both the male and female parents.

Indians imitate the call of this goose by patting the mouth with the hand and pronouncing the syllable "wah." The species is sometimes called "laughing goose," not only because of its grinning expression, but also because its notes are said to resemble the laugh of a man.

The white-fronted goose is said to drop into its feeding grounds from high in the air by almost tumbling downward head first, the members of the flock forming a cataract of whirling life until within a few feet of the water, and uttering at the same time a constant gabble. As contrasted with this the Canada goose descends in long, curling lines, and the snow goose "slants in."

During the middle of the day white-fronted geese usually loaf on some body of water, doing their feeding early in the morning, in the evening, or during the night. The flights to the feeding grounds are oftentimes very regular, the time of arrival and departure not varying more than fifteen minutes. During periods of stormy weather these geese often fly over in large flocks, apparently with no definite object in view other than a change of feeding ground.

The food of the white-fronted goose is made up almost entirely of grass. It is not averse, however, to feeding on sprouting grain, and in years past it has been responsible, along with other geese, for considerable damage to grain.

The speckle-breast is one of the most highly prized geese for food and is a common bird on the market. This species is said to be easily approached by the gunner, and so is readily procured. Pits dug in the ground in localities where the birds are known to fly regularly are most commonly used as blinds in hunting them. Otherwise some ruse, such as hiding behind a grazing steer or horse, must usually be resorted to in order to make a good kill. This method of approach is called "bull hunting." Hunting of this sort allows of unjustifiable slaughter, hundreds of geese sometimes being killed by four shots from a large bore gun.

The market demand for this species, as well as the ease of capture, has been instrumental in greatly reducing the numbers. There is probably not now more than one bird to a hundred that were formerly found in this State. Geese have received no protection whatever, and since their numbers are concentrated in this State during the winter season a false idea of the real numbers of these birds has become current. California is responsible for the care of most of the geese in the western part of the North American continent. It is high time she gave more than a passing thought to the possibility that at her door will be laid the blame for the near extermination of several species of geese. The federal migratory bird law has finally come to the rescue and there is now a close season on geese. The most needed additional step is a bag limit law.

EXHIBITING DOGS.

In exhibiting dogs, as in other walks of life, there are some that will succeed and others that will fail. Why some fail and others succeed is not always easy to explain especially by those who fail, but the onlooker who sees most of the game can usually tell the story or come near to fixing the true reasons. These reasons may be many or they may be few. Many fail perhaps for small faults, and few will suffice to cause failure if the faults are serious ones.

The infinite capacity for taking pains has much to do with success in winning with dogs on the bench, and the want of it is responsible for many of the losses. The novice comes into the fancy with a rush and expects by weight of money and buying his winners to carry everything before him, but if this is not backed up by real knowledge that he is smart enough to pick up as he goes along, his time is short; his purse must be long to pay the expense of keeping on the top. Some become shrewd and learn to breed a few; then interest increases and the pride in his own prowess keeps the owner at it. But if the novice remains a buyer and wins with his purchased dogs sufficient prizes to satisfy his craving for notoriety he is likely to leave the game as it becomes too easy.

There is another sort of buyer who buys recklessly and does not do much winning. He soon leaves for other pursuits, knowing very little more when he leaves off than when he began about the real art of dog showing or dog breeding. Those who succeed are of a different mould and begin as a rule more slowly, or, if they begin faster, are perhaps by nature more observant and more capable, and soon pick up enough real science to help them along. But the general average of successful ones are so because they have studied the subject and really know what they are trying to do.

In all branches of the fancy the successful ones are those that take infinite pains, and it goes without saying that in this case their dogs are put down in the ring in the finest condition possible, with every chance of winning. The best way to begin showing dogs is to start with the idea that the successes will be few at first. Remember that you are taking your best to meet every one else's best. The first essential to winning prizes is to obtain a good dog either by purchase or by breeding one, and the next essential is to learn how to keep the dog in show condition. Dogs out of condition are as a rule better kept at home till fit.

Nature has endowed some people with a more accurate eye, which becomes even better by practice, than others are blessed with. Some improve with study; others never have the capacity to judge between two competitors, no matter how long they stay in the game. It is unfortunate but nevertheless true that some ardent dog fanciers cannot judge their own dogs even after unlimited practice, and therefore are not competent to judge those belonging to others, and as often as not when losing the loser may be kicking hard from an honest conviction that he has the best dog, but in this case nature has not endowed him with the capacity of rightly sizing up his dog or that belonging to any other person.

When one begins showing dogs it is well to remember that one's opponents have been in the game a long time. As one picks up knowledge bit by bit he will learn the art of dog breeding and showing, bit by bit getting well beaten by the old hands that started ahead and learned their lessons before. When the exhibitor finds that he knows more than the other fellow he will be wise to use that knowledge quietly. If he underestimates his difficulties or the opponents' strong points he will probably fail.

THIBETAN SPANIELS.

From year to year new breeds of dogs are being popularized in this country, remarks an eastern writer on kennel topics. In the last few years we have seen the Pekingese and the Sealyham coming to the front as favorites. There is a new type that has come here only recently which soon may be making a bid for favor among the fanciers and it is a dog little is known about. At the present time there are only about ten in this country, and in England there are not more than threescore. This dog is the Thibetan spaniel, a dog that hails originally from the "forbidden" country.

Even Mr. Pfizer, who is specializing in these dogs, knows but little of their history. He obtained his from a British army officer, who had been in the forbidden city of Lhassa and had smuggled one of the breed to the outside world. Officers of the British army who had been engaged in expeditions to Thibet brought some of these dogs back with them to the home country and in this way the Thibetan spaniel has obtained a foothold in England, much in the same way as the Pekingese did when they were brought back from China by army officers in the time of Queen Victoria.

These dogs are a very odd looking sort. They vary in size and some of them are little fellows like "Pekes" and others are as big as water spaniels. The one thing that strikes you when you look at them is the wonderful coats they possess. When I saw pictures of these dogs the first thing that impressed me was the resemblance in head to a collie, even though they are small. When I saw them in the flesh at Mr. Pfizer's home the resemblance to the collie in a miniature way was strengthened. The chief point of this sort was the enormous ruff displayed by them. As far as the coat is concerned there is probably no dog that has a heavier growth of fur on its body than these. Their tails stick out like huge plumes and the general covering is very profuse.

This heavy coating is an exemplification of what nature does to protect animals. In Thibet, a very mountainous country, the weather is rather rigorous and the dogs need heavy coats to protect them from the icy blasts.

The small specimens of a solid color that Mr. Pfizer has do not look unlike a Pomeranian in the head expression, if the ears are held up. The ears, however, droop like a spaniel's. In every way they are very odd looking dogs, with characteristics of various types that one can pick out. They are very good watch dogs and of an affectionate disposition. When Mr. Pfizer showed his dogs at the Charity Show Mr. Muss-Arnolt, who judged them, said that he was perplexed as to which one he should give first prize to. He said that as there was no standard he was in a quandary as to which should be given the first prize. He finally decided to give the award to the one that had the closest spaniel traits.

Mr. Pfizer brought over his first dog of this sort to the United States from England in 1911, when Tweenie came here to start the breed in this country. She was in whelp at the time, and sofe of her puppies are now here. Two years after this Mr. Pfizer acquired a stud dog, Mr. Percy, and he has left his imprint on the breed with some mighty fine offspring. Mr. Percy is a black and white, yet he has been the father of solid color specimens. Although he is called black and white, Mr. Percy is more of a silver color as far as the light tint is concerned, and the dark part of his coloring is not exactly a jet black, but has a little brownish tint.

They are a breed of mystery, and it would be interesting to trace back the ancestry, but that is a thing that is practically impossible.

STEELHEAD IN WISCONSIN WATERS.

About fifteen years ago the gill net men of Lake Michigan began to find specimens of trout among their catch of a kind previously unknown to them. In later years these were taken in increasing abundance, until now they form a very important part of many a haul. Most of them are small, few if any exceed five pounds in weight. The quality of their meat is higher than that of the native lake trout of the Great Lake. The fish was promptly baptized "salmon" or "salmon trout."

What is this fish, and where did it come from? To settle this question, specimens were sent by the fishermen to James Nevin, superintendent of the State Fish Hatcheries, who in his turn sent them to the Zoological Department of the University of Wisconsin for determination.

Here an interesting story was disclosed. The fish undoubtedly is a "steelhead" trout, a form native to the streams entering the Pacific ocean in California, Oregon, Washington, and British Columbia, and never occurring east of the Sierra Nevada. How then came it to be found in our lakes?

A search disclosed that some thirty years ago, the United States Bureau of Fisheries planted several hundred thousand of steelhead fry in Lake Superior. In subsequent years others were planted in streams tributary to Lake Superior and Lake Michigan. But as there were no apparent results, the matter was forgotten. It is possible that these young fishes succeeded in holding their own, and to ascend the streams to deposit their eggs; and that their presence was overlooked until their numbers were greatly increased. But there is one very important fact which complicates the question. In the same region from whence came the steelheads there is a second trout, the "rainbow." This also has been "planted" in these waters, and in numbers many times exceeding those of the steelhead. In many of the northern streams it is a common fish, as also in Lake Superior. Now steelhead and rainbow trout vary greatly, and it has long been a question whether both are not the same species, altered only by the particular waters they occur in. Evidence is accumulating that this is the case. In Lake Superior it is often hard to tell whether any given trout is steelhead or rainbow.

So it may be that the large steelheads are after all not the descendants of the early plantings, but descendants of the rainbow. Either condition shall probably never be proved. But whichever may be the case, the State has a valuable addition to the fish resources of the Great Lakes, bound to play an important part in the future development of these resources.

From the native Lake or Mackinaw trout, the steelheads can be very readily distinguished by their silvery color, their somewhat larger scales, the number of black spots along their backs, and by their square tails.

CALIFORNIA-NEVADA TOURNAMENT.

Outshooting a field of sixty-one contestants last Saturday afternoon, Foster Couts of San Diego won the individual blue rock championship, the main event of the California-Nevada trapshooters' three-day tournament at the West Alameda blue rock range. The winning score was 96 out of 100 targets at 16 yards rise.

O. N. Ford of San Jose and Harry Lorenson of Newman tied for second place with 95 birds each. Lorenson won the shoot-off, 22 to 21. The winner will be eligible for the national championship match at Chicago next week, a $50 purse being the Interstate Association award upon his entry. Lorenson, the runner-up, will be entitled to the same coveted privilege should the winner not enter.

Seven handsome trophies were donated by the Interstate Association for the seven high guns in the championship match. The trophy winners were J. F. Couts, H. Lorenson, O. N. Ford, one, two, three; H. Pfirrmann, 94, F. M. Newbert 93, A. Julian of San Diego 93, and J. F. Downs of San Diego 93. A purse of $176 was divided between the above mentioned shooters, with the addition of Barney Worthen, Harry Balkwell, and Andy Flickinger, who each broke 92 birds—enough to get a small slice of the purse.

The main event was shot under the handicap of a heavy west wind that caused the clay pigeons to take all sorts of dips and turns. Several leading shots lost more birds in the seventh section than during the rest of the day.

H. Pfirrmann was high average for the three days with 578 out of 600 birds. O. N. Ford was second with 576 and J. F. Couts third, 575. The professionals were led by Hugh Poston, also 578, Lon Hawxhurst 568, Guy Holohan 564, and Dick Reed 564.

The forenoon program was five 20 bird events. Couts, Ford and Flickinger were high guns, 99 each.

The tournament started Thursday morning on the West Alameda grounds, under the auspices of the Golden Gate Gun Club, with a lively fusillade that required nearly 15,000 blue rocks to be trapped before the last shot was fired late in the afternoon. Weather and light conditions were favorable and a general average of excellent scores was the result.

The high squad for the day: W. G. Warren of Tonopah, Guy Holohan and H. Pfirrmann of Los Angeles, J. F. Dodds and Foster Couts of San Diego made the splendid average of 95 per cent in shooting at a total of 1000 inanimate targets, 200 per man. In the eighth event the squad smashed every bird trapped, in two other events they broke 98 out of 100.

H. Pfirrmann, the winner of the Pacific Coast Handicap at San Diego recently, shot in fine form and scored high amateur average for the day, 194 out of 200. J. F. Dodds, and Tom Wilkes of this city, tied for second high average, with 190 each. O. N. Ford of San Jose, Foster Couts and J. F. Downs of San Diego were third, with 189 breaks.

The total amount of purses and added money distributed among the high guns amounted to $800. Mrs. Ada Schilling of San Jose, Mrs. A. G. Wilkes and Miss Meyers of this city, shot through the 200-bird daily programme and made excellent scores.

The trophy events Friday, during the second day's session of the shoot, were a series of hotly contested shotgun skirmishes from start to finish.

Andy Flickinger turned his door-knobbed pump-gun loose in the second event and ran through three 25-bird frames without a miss. He was tied by Henry Garrison of Modesto, O. N. Ford of San Jose, "Red Shirt" Varien of Pacific Grove, H. Pfirrmann of Los Angeles, W. G. Warren of Tonopah, A. P. Haliburton of Lindsay, H. Brickell of the Family Club, and Dr. McGettigan of the Volante Club.

Shooting off the tie in the next event, "Flick" smoked 25 straight again, Billy Varien also put on the high for another 25 straight. The Vallejo star bird pulverizer lined out 25 again in the fourth event and the Pacific Grove shooter was one bird short.

This put Flickinger down for one win on the Sorenson champion gold medal. Varien had hard luck for a win-out here would have given him the medal permanently as he had the 1912 win to his credit.

The Peters trophy match, event three, was also finally annexed by Flickinger, who was tied by A. G. Wilkes, T. D. Riley and Varien.

O. N. Ford of San Jose had to run fifty straight for a win on the Hunter Arms trophy No. 1. C. N. Nash of San Jose, and Harry Balkwell of Stockton, shot off the tie with Ford, but lost out by a bird.

The Du Pont trophy was won outright by J. F. Couts, this being his second win; the San Diego crack also had to smother 50 birds before he shook on Toney Prior, Pfirrmann, Dodds, Hoelle and Flickinger.

Frank Newbert of Sacramento was also a two-time winner in the R. C. Reed trophy race. A. G. Wilkes, C. D. Hagerman of Los Angeles, Ford, W. G. Warren, Couts, Haliburton and Harry Ogelvie of Lindsay broke 25. Newbert shot a second tie with Hagerman and finally won out, 24 to 24 and 24 to 21.

Balkwell made a 50-bird sprint for the Roos trophy. Fred K. Burnham, N. A. Howard, Tom Wilkes, Emil Hoelle and Dr. McGettigan were the contenders in event six. The Stocktonian nosed out Hoelle by one bird on the shoot-off, 25 to 24.

George Anderson of San Jose won the Hunter Arms No. 2 trophy in a 50-straight argument. Prior, Warren, Ogelvie and Balkwell tried to outshoot the Garden City musketeer, but fell short, Prior was runner-up with 24, in the tie shoot.

The board of officers elected for the ensuing year were: J. W. Dorsey, president; G. H. Anderson of San Jose, vice-president; Clarence A. Haight, secretary-treasurer. Directors—H. Pfirrmann, Los Angeles, C. A. Julian, San Diego, A. G. Flickinger, Vallejo, W. S. Peace, Elko, Nev., H. Garrison, Modesto. F. K. Burnham, Martinez, and Tom Wilkes.

Long run trophy winners were: Du Pont—Pfirrman 103, 65, 68, 55, Tom Wilkes 108, 59, Ogelvie 68, Flickinger 97, 84, Willet 58, 59, Ford 103, 68, Balkwell 64, 73, Lorenson 53, Guy Holohan 58, Varien 56.

Hercules—Couts 79, 78, 118, 79; Poston 53, 52, 61, 84; Warren 60; Hawxhurst 69, 72, 52, 64; Newbert 56; Reed 59, 54, 72; Prior 56, 64; Anderson 50, Avery 59, A. G. Wilkes 53.

The scores for the three days' tourney follow.

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Ttl
Birds—	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	200
H. Pfirrmann	20	20	20	19	20	20	19	20	19	19	196
H. E. Poston*	19	20	20	19	19	20	20	20	20	19	196
L. Hawxhurst*	19	20	18	20	19	20	20	19	20	20	195
Guy Holohan*	20	19	17	19	19	18	19	20	19	20	191
J. F. Dodds	19	17	20	19	19	18	19	20	20	19	190
Tom Wilkes	19	17	17	19	20	20	20	20	18	20	190
O. N. Ford	20	19	20	18	19	17	19	19	19	19	189
J. F. Couts, Jr.	17	19	19	17	20	18	19	20	20	20	189
J. T. Downs	18	20	19	19	19	20	19	20	19	19	189
B. H. Worthen	18	19	18	20	17	20	19	19	20	18	188
E. Hoelle	18	20	19	19	19	19	19	20	18	17	188
H. Lorenson	17	20	17	19	20	19	17	20	19	20	188
G. H. Anderson	18	19	19	20	20	18	18	18	19	18	187
W. G. Warren	18	19	19	19	20	19	16	20	17	20	187
R. C. Reed*	20	20	17	19	19	19	19	18	19	17	187
A. P. Haliburton	19	19	20	18	19	17	18	20	18	19	187
H. Garrison	19	20	15	17	20	19	19	20	18	19	186
G. Ellis	20	20	17	18	19	18	19	18	16	20	185
C. H. Nash	19	20	14	19	17	19	19	19	20	19	185
W. H. Varien	19	19	16	20	19	18	17	19	19	19	185
W. G. Becktell	17	20	19	20	16	17	18	19	19	19	184
Fred Willet*	14	18	19	20	19	19	19	17	18	20	183
H. Ogelvie	18	18	19	18	20	19	15	18	19	19	183
H. M. Williams	20	18	16	20	18	20	19	18	17	17	183
Roy Avery	18	19	17	17	20	16	19	20	20	17	183
F. M. Newbert	17	19	19	20	18	17	19	18	16	19	182
J. Plaskett	17	19	19	19	19	13	18	19	19	19	181
H. Balkwell	20	18	17	18	19	16	18	18	18	19	181
W. S. Peace	18	17	18	19	19	18	17	18	18	19	181
Toney Prior	18	15	16	18	19	18	18	20	20	19	181
A. G. Wilkes	20	17	18	18	17	17	18	17	18	19	179
W. J. Higgins*	19	18	17	19	18	18	17	18	15	18	177
C. H. Knight*	16	16	16	20	19	19	17	18	16	16	176
T. D. Riley	17	18	17	20	17	16	17	18	17	18	175
E. J. Eilert	18	14	17	17	18	17	17	18	19	19	174
N. A. Howard	19	18	18	14	17	16	18	18	17	17	172
J. G. Heath*	17	14	16	17	17	15	18	19	20	19	172
M. O. Feudner	18	15	18	14	17	17	17	17	20	18	171
C. D. Hagerman	17	18	16	19	18	16	15	17	17	18	171
H. R. Phinney	18	15	16	17	19	18	16	18	17	15	169
C. A. Haight	15	17	16	15	17	15	19	19	19	16	168
Mrs. Ada Schilling	14	19	18	18	16	14	17	17	16	17	166
A. Julian	15	18	16	15	16	17	18	16	17	18	166
W. R. Williams	18	17	15	20	16	11	16	17	17	15	162
C. E. Groat	14	14	14	19	15	17	19	16	19	15	162
R. R. Cadwell	18	15	16	16	18	14	15	18	15	15	160
F. K. Burnham	13	12	16	16	16	14	14	19	18	19	157
Mrs. A. G. Wilkes	17	14	18	9	14	17	16	16	17	18	156
J. W. Dorsey	16	15	13	14	17	16	17	17	13	12	150
H. C. Peet	..	..	..	15	18	17	19	18	16	14	117
W. A. Landry	19	18	18	17	20	18	..	..	..	..	110
H. Brickell	18	20	13	18	17	17	17	..	..	..	103
A. O. Harrison	18	11	19	15	16	18	17	..	..	..	94
W. G. Wilshire	16	17	14	17	16	17	..	..	..	..	97
E. L. Forster	14	14	11	13	15	..	..	..	..	..	67
M. Priest	19	17	14	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	65
Miss Meyers	10	14	13	11	16	15	10	15	12	..	116
J. S. French	..	..	..	..	..	..	10	14	16	..	40
E. Wilkes	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	17	19	..	36

*Professionals.

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Ttl
Birds—	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	200
O. N. Ford	25	25	24	24	25	23	22	25	193
H. Pfirrmann	25	24	23	25	23	24	24	25	193
H. E. Poston*	25	24	24	23	23	25	24	25	193
R. C. Reed*	23	25	24	25	24	23	24	25	193
H. Balkwell	25	24	23	24	23	25	25	23	192
T. Prior	23	23	24	25	24	23	25	24	191
A. P. Haliburton	24	25	24	25	24	24	22	23	191
J. F. Couts	24	23	23	25	25	22	24	25	191
A. G. Wilkes	23	22	25	24	25	23	23	25	190
Dr. C. D. McGettigan	24	25	24	23	24	25	21	24	190
A. G. Flickinger	23	25	25	25	23	23	21	25	190
W. H. Varien	23	25	25	24	21	23	23	25	189
W. G. Warren	24	25	24	22	25	23	25	21	189
L. Hawxhurst*	22	23	24	24	25	24	24	23	189
E. Hoelle	22	24	24	25	21	25	24	24	189
G. H. Anderson	24	24	24	23	22	21	25	25	188
G. E. Holohan*	24	23	25	22	24	24	23	23	188
H. Lorenson	23	23	24	24	24	24	23	23	188
H. Ogelvie	21	23	24	23	25	22	25	23	186
F. M. Newbert	23	22	22	23	25	24	24	23	186
W. F. Willet*	25	24	24	21	23	24	22	22	186
T. Wilkes	25	22	20	24	23	25	23	23	185
C. D. Hagerman	24	22	24	23	25	24	21	22	185
C. H. Knight*	24	21	23	23	23	22	23	24	183
W. S. Peace	22	24	23	23	24	21	24	22	183
T. D. Riley	23	21	25	23	22	24	22	23	183
H. Garrison	22	25	22	24	22	22	22	23	182
J. F. Dodds	22	23	20	25	24	23	23	22	182
N. A. Howard	24	22	23	20	23	25	21	24	18
G. Ellis	22	24	24	23	22	20	24	22	18
R. Avery	22	22	23	20	22	24	23	24	18
C. H. Nash	25	20	23	23	24	22	22	21	18
A. Julian	23	21	23	24	24	21	21	23	18
W. J. Eilert	19	24	22	23	24	23	21	23	17
J. T. Downs	23	22	21	22	21	23	23	23	17
W. G. Becktell	22	23	22	21	23	21	22	23	17
M. O. Feudner*	23	20	21	24	23	24	18	24	17
E. Merrithew	22	21	23	22	20	22	23	23	17
W. J. Higgins*	21	22	25	20	25	24	20	18	17.
B. H. Worthen	22	21	21	22	22	21	22	24	17!
F. K. Burnham	21	24	22	21	15	25	22	18	17.
H. M. Williams	19	18	21	22	24	24	24	22	17.
H. Brickell	22	25	21	24	22	23	15	20	17:
H. R. Phinney	22	18	21	20	24	24	24	19	17:
C. E. Groat	22	23	19	21	21	23	21	18	16
Mrs. A. Schilling	24	20	19	23	20	23	20	17	16
C. A. Haight*	22	18	20	19	22	21	23	21	16
N. Landry	21	21	24	21	19	21	22	17	16
R. R. Cadwell	22	18	20	22	21	18	17	19	15
Mrs. A. G. Wilkes	15	17	20	21	22	19	22	18	15
H. O. Harrison	19	20	21	24	23	22	21	..	15
J. V. O'Hara	15	20	17	16	17	22	20	20	14
J. W. Dorsey	17	17	15	21	15	15	14	21	13
Miss G. Meyers	14	19	14	12	20	19	19	19	13
J. G. Heath*	24	20	18	22	21	20	..	..	12
J. H. Jones	17	20	18	22	22	17	..	..	11
B. Breman	..	..	..	..	..	..	13	12	25

Events	1	2	3	4	5	6	Ttl.
Birds—	20	20	20	20	20	25	200
J. F. Couts	20	20	20	20	19	24	23	24	25—95	195
O. N. Ford	20	20	20	19	25	19	24	24	22—95	194
A. G. Flickinger	20	20	19	20	20	24	19	24	25—92	191
H. Pfirrmann	20	20	17	18	20	25	23	22	24—94	189
H. E. Poston*	18	19	19	17	20	24	23	24	25—96	189
R. S. Avery	20	18	19	20	20	24	25	21	21—91	188
H. Ogelvie	20	20	19	19	19	24	23	23	20—90	187
W. F. Willet*	18	20	20	18	19	22	24	22	23—91	186
J. F. Downs	18	20	18	17	20	21	23	25	24—93	186
H. Balkwell	18	18	19	19	20	25	23	22	22—93	186
H. Lorenson	19	17	20	20	15	25	25	22	23—95	186
G. E. Holohan*	19	16	20	19	17	25	21	24	24—94	185
W. G. Warren	19	17	19	19	19	23	21	24	23—91	184
B. H. Worthen	19	16	19	19	19	23	22	24	23—92	184
L. Hawxhurst*	20	20	18	20	18	22	20	23	23—88	184
Tom Wilkes	19	20	19	16	19	22	22	23	24—91	184
R. C. Reed*	19	18	19	19	19	23	23	21	23—90	184
A. Julian	19	18	17	17	19	23	24	23	23—90	184
F. M. Newbert	19	17	18	19	17	24	24	25	20—93	183
H. Garrison	20	19	17	20	19	22	21	23	22—88	183
J. Plaskett	20	19	19	19	20	21	25	23	21—85	182
C. H. Nash	19	19	19	18	17	22	22	22	24—90	182
W. H. Varien	18	19	18	19	19	25	19	24	22—90	182
G. Ellis	18	19	18	19	18	24	23	22	21—90	182
E. Hoelle	18	20	19	19	20	18	22	22	23—85	181
C. H. Knight*	17	19	19	19	17	23	21	22	23—89	180
A. P. Haliburton	16	19	19	18	18	22	23	20	24—89	179
Dr. C. D. McGettigan	17	19	20	16	19	20	23	21	23—87	178
Toney Prior	19	16	19	19	17	23	22	20	22—87	177
A. G. Wilkes	19	20	18	17	19	21	19	21	23—84	177
H. M. Williams	18	18	19	17	18	20	21	21	25—87	177
C. D. Hagerman	19	20	15	19	16	23	23	18	22—86	175
J. F. Dodds	16	19	18	16	19	21	21	22	22—86	174
W. G. Becktell	17	14	16	17	19	23	25	22	19—89	172
Mrs. Ada Schilling	18	15	15	19	19	22	21	22	20—85	171
N. A. Howard	18	16	18	18	18	16	24	23	20—83	171
W. J. Eilert	19	18	16	17	19	22	20	17	23—82	171
T. D. Riley	18	18	15	19	15	21	17	21	23—82	167
C. E. McKelvey	17	19	17	20	19	21	12	20	20—73	165
F. K. Burnham	15	19	19	14	10	21	22	20	24—87	164
G. H. Anderson	17	18	18	15	14	22	20	20	19—81	163
C. A. Haight*	19	18	18	15	17	21	17	20	16—74	161
H. Brickell	16	17	14	17	17	19	20	20	20—79	159
H. R. Phinney	14	18	17	17	19	17	19	19	18—73	158
W. A. Landry	16	17	18	17	15	20	18	17	18—73	156
W. R. Williams	19	18	12	18	17	20	18	17	20—75	159
W. J. Higgins*	16	18	17	18	14	19	16	20	17—72	155
J. W. Dorsey	20	18	13	14	17	17	17	19	18—71	153
Mrs. A. G. Wilkes	14	12	11	14	18	23	19	20	17—79	148
Miss G. Meyers	12	11	18	14	15	14	19	17	20—70	140
D. Ruhstaller	..	..	..	18	19	23	20	21	22—86	..
M. O. Feudner	..	..	..	..	..	17	22	22	23—86	..
F. Webster	..	..	..	15	17	21	17	21	21—80	..
J. G. Heath	..	..	..	..	..	21	15	20	23—79	..
J. S. French	..	..	..	16	13	20	17	17	19—73	..

Alameda Traps Close.—The final shoot of the year was held last Sunday by the Bay View Gun Club, and the winners were announced. Frank Webster was crowned champion for the year, Percy R. Fox won the Hercules trophy, Frank Blum secured the Du Pont trophy and Webster took the honors for the longest run of breaks during the season, 38 straight.

The scores in the final club medal race were: J. R. Foster 18 and 13 out of 20; F. Blum 17, 15; J. Millet 17; H. Wobber 17, 16; F. Webster 15; P. R. Fox 15; L. Vosburgh 15, 13; D. Best 14; L. Middleton 12, 9; Nelson 9.

Du Pont trophy—Best 14 out of 15; Fox 13, Wobber 12, Blub 12, Chichester 12, Webster 11, Vosburgh 9, Foster 8, Millet 7.

Hercules trophy—Foster, 13 and 12 out of 15; Fox 13, Blum 13, Nelson 12, Chichester 12, Wobber 11, 10; Vosburgh 11, Webster 10, Best 10, Millet 9, 9; Miss Houghawout 8, Middleton 8.

Merchandise shoot—Chichester 17 out of 20, Fox 17, Blum 16, Best 14, Millet 14, Webster 13, Middleton 12, Vosburgh 12, Wobber 11, Foster 10.

Grub shoot—Foster 9, Fox 7, Miss Houghawout 9, Chichester 10, Millet 6; total 45. Blum 7, Wobber 10, Webster 5, Vosburgh 7, Best 5, Nelson 6; total 40.

BRIEF HISTORY OF THE G. A. H.

00—Held at Interstate Park, N. Y., June 14.
). Heikes (22 yards) winner, 91x100. 74 entries.
01—Held at Interstate Park, N. Y., June 18.
. Griffith (19 yards) winner, 95x100. 75 entries.
02—Held at Interstate Park, N. Y., May 8.
. Floyd (18 yards) winner, 94x100. 91 entries.
03—Held at Kansas City, Mo., April 16. M. Diefrfer (16 yards) winner, 94x100. 192 entries.
004—Held at Indianapolis, Ind., June 23. R. D. till (19 yards) winner, 96x100. 336 entries.
005—Held at Indianapolis, Ind., June 29. R. R. ber (16 yards) winner, 99x100. 352 entries.
006—Held at Indianapolis, Ind., June 21. F. E. ers (17 yards) winner, 94x100. 290 entries.
007—Held at Chicago, Ill., June 20. Jeff. J. nks (17 yards) winner, 96x100. 495 entries.
008—Held at Columbus, Ohio, June 25. Fred Harc (16 yards) winner, 92x100. 362 entries.
009—Held at Chicago, Ill., June 24. Fred Shattuck yards) winner, 96x100. 457 entries.
910—Held at Chicago, Ill., June 23. Riley Thomp (19 yards) winner, 100x100. 383 entries.
911—Held at Columbus, Ohio, June 22. Harve on (20 yards) winner, 99x100. 418 entries.
912—Held at Springfield, Ill., June 20. W. E. llips (19 yards) winner, 96x100. 377 entries.
913—Held at Dayton, Ohio, June 19. M. S. Hootn (17 yards) winner, 97x100. 501 entries.
914—Held at Dayton, Ohio, September 10. Wool- Henderson (22 yards) winner, 99x100. 515 en-
s.

NATIONAL AMATEUR STATE CHAMPIONS.

Following is a list of the winners (and the runners-) of "The Interstate Association's State Amateur ampionship" at registered State tournaments held to August 7:

Alabama—J. K. Warren, winner; J. A. Blunt, runr-up.
Arizona—T. L. Eden—R. DeMund.
Arkansas—Tournament not yet held.
California—J. F. Couts—H. Lorenson.
Colorado—R. A. King—M. Weick.
Connecticut—C. Vanstone—W. W. Rice.
Delaware—A. B. Richardson—J. B. McHugh.
District of Columbia—Affiliated with Maryland.
Florida—No State Association.
Georgia—J. M. Barrett—W. H. Jones.
Idaho—E. C. Grice—E. M. Sweeley.
Illinois—C. H. Ditto—C. J. Schade.
Indiana—R. H. Bruns—E. H. Bindley, Jr.
Iowa—J. R. Jahn—W. H. Tolen.
Kansas—H. C. Hood—R. Ainsworth.
Kentucky—State Tournament not yet registered.
Louisiana—Tournament not yet held.
Maine—Tournament not yet held.
Maryland—E. W. Ford—F. Billmeyer.
Massachusetts—Tournament not yet held.
Michigan—Tournament not yet held.
Minnesota—F. S. Novotny—F. McKay.
Mississippi—G. M. Keyes—A. C. Robison.
Missouri—Tournament not yet held.
Montana—C. L. Parsons—F. A. Weatherhead.
New Hampshire—E. Reed—E. E. Reed.
Nevada—Affiliated with California.
Nebraska—H. J. Rebhausen—S. A. Huntley.
New Jersey—F. S. Tomlin—C. B. Platt.
New Mexico—Affiliated with Colorado and Wyo.
New York—H. J. Prendergast—W. W. Vanderhoff.
North Carolina—W. L. Hefner.
North Dakota—J. W. Sturgeon—E. G. Lemke.
Ohio—J. Rummell—K. P. Johnson.
Oregon—L. Rayburn—P. H. O'Brien.
Oklahoma—J. A. Campbell—Wm. Homer.
Pennsylvania—C. H. Newcomb—Brian Teats.
Rhode Island—No State Association.
South Carolina—J. H. Staples—G. M. Collins.
South Dakota—A. J. French—J. A. Ward.
Tennessee—T. Hale—J. H. Noel.
Texas—T. Bryant—P. Miller.
Utah—C. H. Reilley, Jr—R. A. Lohr.
Vermont—C. H. Burr—H. B. Moulton.
Virginia—L. Richards—S. T. Day.
Washington—E. J. Chingren—F. M. Troeh.
West Virginia—H. L. Smith—J. B. Lallance, Jr.
Wisconsin—Tournament not yet held.
Wyoming—Affiliated with Colo. and N. M.

Moraga Valley Shoot.—"Beginners' Day" shoot at he Moraga Gun Club, in Contra Costa county, was participated in by three squads of novice trap shots. The feature of the day was a 25 bird match between women. The results were: Mrs. W. N. Parrish 8, Mrs. Josephine Swain 5, Miss Gause 4, Mrs. L. Springmeyer 1, Mrs. W. P. Ellis 0.

Foster Hummell, 11 years old, and Norman Parrish, 8 years of age, signalized their initial trap shooting experience by each breaking two birds out of twelve shot at. Other scores shot were: W. W. Smith 18, O. G. Stanley 17, H. D. Perry 17, H. M. Rich 16, L. Springmeyer 16, L. L. Fuller 12, F. D. Talbot 9, L. G. Krigbaum 4.

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Golden Gaters—After the big shoot last week the Golden Gate Gun Club will hold the regular monthly blue rock shoot at West Alameda tomorrow.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

FISH LINES.

The trout streams have not been entirely depleted of the finny denizens thus far in mid-summer, for pleasing reports reach the city-bound angler from time to time. From the Feather river region advices are that the mountain likes in the vicinity of Johnsville are well worth the anglers' attention. In Gold lake good catches have been made daily, with both fly patterns and spinning spoons.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Zuckerman will stay two weeks at Green Camp. B. H. Paul has recently fished in that section of Plumas county and is inclined to believe that anybody can catch trout there.

Near Blairsden the river was normal and fishing fair, with both flies and bait. At Belden the results have been a bit better—the sport is improving daily—grasshoppers do the trick for the fishermen and the brown hackle fly is apparently also a favorite.

At Big Bar there has been a decided improvement recently and fair catches have been taken with fly hooks. In the Big Meadows reservoir, large trout are taken by trolling, and plenty of them.

Low water and hot weather has put a crimp in Truckee river fishing. The trout have been gorging upon bottom food. The conditions tended to bring out case worms in myriads. James Cameron, however, picked up a nice limit a week ago near Boca.

From the Upper Sacramento resorts there is a different story to tell—the fishing is good. Roscoe Havens and M. Matthews, who know every foot of the river near Sims and other points, are devoting their attention to the speckled fish while the going is good.

Frank Maskey is back from a sojourn at Robinson's on Eel river. There has been a run of half-pound steelhead, accompanied by quite a few large fish. J. A. Dougall's recent short trip to Grieg's was rewarded with five nice sized fish. George Vance, who has not missed an annual visit to Eel river for years, left last week for a two months' stay.

In Colusa county the fishing is said to be excellent—the Big and Little Stony, near Fouts Springs. Al Baker advised fellow members of the California Anglers' Association that he has taken quite a few large trout recently.

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There should be the best of black bass fishing in the Yolo basin this season. Above Rio Vista, at present, good catches have been made in the dredger cuts and the lakes of the tule overflowed sections.

Near the Santa Fe crossing at Middle river George Klarmann, Charles Paddon, Louis Gotthelf, George Roberts and others have made some nice catches of black bass, with now and then a fairly heavy striped bass.

In Kelly lake, near Watsonville, Dr. Earl Pomeroy and W. J. Street found black bass plentiful enough to take out fifty bass, from a half to one pound in weight. Those lake bass fancied a red spinner fly or a No. 00 bucktail.

Bass anglers and other fishermen who fish with minnows in Russian river and feeding creeks are much put out over the notice from deputy fish wardens that the use of minnow nets is prohibited in those waters. Minnows are used for bait, especially by the bass fishermen. Nets have been used in Sonoma county waters, ostensibly for minnows, but really for larger fish. Therefore the officers will no longer overlook that breach of the law.

DEER AND DOVES.

It cannot be said that deer are scarce this season. Since the opening day, August 1, numerous fat bucks have arrived in this city by express or in the machines of returning hunting parties. The outlook indicates there will be a steady supply coming in up to the close of the season, for deer are plentiful in many districts.

Deer are numerous in the Marin hills, but the animals have been cunningly taking matters easy on the several game preserves and posted ranches where they were unmolested. The independent rangers were out in force on the opening day, but most of them returned empty-handed.

The largest hunt reported was that of the Lagunitas Rod and Gun Club members. John McKee, Frank Jones, Sam Hubbard, Carl Westerfeld, George Jackson, Charles Bosworth, Hal Sanders and J. K. Lynch bagged five bucks on the opening day. W. E. Cashman's buck was shot in Lucas valley.

Sonoma county has reared a bountiful crop of venison this season, for many bucks have been shot already in the county. William C. Smith got one near Gualala. Dr. J. W. Clark shot two bucks on the Elk Range Gun Club's preserve, back of Cloverdale. Santa Rosa Elks' lodge indulged in a venison stew Thursday evening. Pete Curtis secured the necessary venison in the vicinity of Skaggs Springs.

Santa Clara county hunters have been extremely busy since the season began—a small army of riflemen went out in the hills and ranges for a longer or shorter hunt as luck determined. Joe Cannon of this city, and Dr. Fred Ryan of San Jose, firing at the same time, bagged a 130-pound buck in the hills above New Almaden. They "jumped" ten more deer, but did not get a shot.

Two other hunters came in from Madrone Sunday morning before 9 a. m. and had three bucks. John Kelly and Theodore Fischer bagged a six-pointer in the same district.

F. A. Ladner and party tried the San Benito country and got a forked horn. In the Eiler mountain section H. A. Hoover got a four-pointer and F. Lennogg a five-pointer. The Arroyo Bayo territory produced ten forked horns for C. O'Brien, J. Bryant and F. Wiesdanger.

Norden Hanson of Aptos, a 16-year-old boy, while out hunting rabbits, killed a deer with his shotgun, a forked horn that weighed 160 pounds.

Bob Murdoch and E. C. Smith are off for a week's hunting trip in Mendocino county, above Longvale station, a district where deer are plentiful. In the Klamath river country of Siskiyou county deer are reported to be more numerous than for years past.

Fair dove shooting can be found near Tres Pinos. R. C. Haas and J. T. Connelly shot limits in that district one morning. Near Watsonville, both dove and rabbit hunters have git full game bags. Charley Breidenstein and Max Berges shot rabbit limits near Concord, Sunday and Monday last. The rabbit season closed on the 7th inst. and the lid will be on for Mollie Cottontail until the quail season opens, October 15.

THE CARE OF FIREARMS.

"I am using a rifle that has been shot over 10,000 times, and it could be sold today as a new gun, because I have taken care of it and never, under any circumstances, put it away 'soiled,'" says E. P. Thomas of Morehouse, Missouri, writing on the subject of "Care of Firearms."

"When learning how to handle a gun I often wished," continued Mr. Thomas, "for a word of advice from some experienced person. I burned pounds of powder in the old muzzle loaders before I learned my lesson well; therefore, I feel that when we have something good we should pass it along.

"Briefly, then, my experience tells me that first you should own a good standard arm. In shooting practice, use small objects to soot at and train your nerves to be steady from the beginning.

"Asquire the habit of pressing (not pulling) the trigger and try to fire as soon as you have the proper aim.

"Always grip a gun of any kind firmly but not too tightly. If the grip is too tight the tendency is to tremble. Don't hurry, be careful and deliberate. Do not expect to hit the mark every time. You cannot do it. Be patient, but optimistic. Try, try and then some more. Speed will come with practice.

"There is one thing the marksman must not overlook under any circumstances; the condition of the inside and outside of his gun. Never lay it away without carefully cleaning and oiling it outside and inside.

"Do not think that the .22 Remington is a toy for children to play with. It isn't. It is built for serious work and is a mechanism of great accuracy. It will send the tiny 29 grain bullet a distance of 100 yards in less than half a second. By using the .22 long rifle cartridge, you can increase the distance to 200 yards and secure greater accuracy.

"In conclusion, I can only say, do your part as a marksman, have faith in your gun and the results will not only please but astonish you."

FIXTURES

Interstate Association Tournaments—

August 16, 17, 18, 19, 20—The Interstate Association's Sixteenth Grand American Handicap Tournament, Chicago, Ill., under the auspices of the Chicago Association of Trap Shooters, $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy, and the winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburg, Pa.

Registered Tournaments — Pacific States and Territories:

September 5-6.—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

September 6—Tacoma Gun Club, Tasoma, Wash., "Old Policy"; Carl Coon, Secretary.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

September 24—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

Rem-UMC Notes.

In summing up the results of the recent California-Nevada State shoot held by the Golden Gate Gun Club, it was found that nearly every winner carried off the laurels with Remington-UMC Arrow and Nitro Club Speed shells.

The California-Nevada interstate championship was won by J. F. Couts with a score of 96x100. O. N. Ford tied for second with a score of 95x100, both using Remington-UMC Arrow Speed shells. O. N. Ford also won second amateur average with a score of 576x600.

J. F. Couts made the longest run of the tournament, 119 straight, and O. N. Ford second longest run, 113 straight.

The high professional average was won by H. E. Poston with Arrow Speed shells with the good score of 578x600.

Of the seven State trophies contested for six were won with either Remington-UMC guns or shells.

Looking Backward over the M. and M.

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of roses for Lee in his younger days. He was an unprepossessing two-year-old, and at that age passed from Walter Cox to the Pastime Stable as "boot" in a deal for a youngster of like age called Prince Loree, by Prince McKinney, dam Delore 2:09¼ by Delmarch. The certainty of the uncertainty of human judgment where horses are concerned is most aptly expressed by the graphic phrases of Joe Markey, who writes that "the Prince was the 'golden pippin,' while Lee, at the time, was just a snarly little windfall such as one picks from the ground beneath decrepit trees in neglected orchards. Prince, in other words was the bacon and Lee merely the rind. Well, the trade was made and Lee thrown in as a sort of sop to bind the bargain. At present, incidentally, the Prince is enjoying the oats for which Lee is working, and so far he seems indisposed to take up the matter of self support."

As a two-year-old Lee acquired a time record of 2:28¼ at Detroit and came in for a good deal of attention from the anvil chorus, which bothered him and his trainer not a whit. That winter Andrews gave him the best efforts that a long and successful experience could provide, and by spring the lemon was transformed into the finest kind of a peach. At North Randall in the Fasig he won both heats, trotting in 2:08¾ and back in 2:08, at that time the track record for the age and gait, Miss Perfection being second each heat. At Kalamazoo he was 2-2-6 in the Horseman futurity to Peter Volo in 2:04¾, 2:05¾, 2:06¾. At Syracuse he won the Ka-Noo-No stake in straight heats—2:10, 2:10¼, 2:08¾. In the Matron stake at Hartford he was second to Peter Volo in slow time, and at Columbus, in the Horse Review stake, was 3-2 to the same horse in 2:07¼, 2:08¾. Then came his last race of the season, that memorable Kentucky futurity which Peter Volo trotted in 2:07¼, 2:05, 2:03½, the son of Guy Axworthy finishing 2-2-3. His performances this season need no comment here, and only misfortune will prevent much more being written of him in the future. It is a matter of regret that he is not a sound horse, but this handicap serves to emphasize the true greatness of his performances, and in spite of it he is not to be overlooked as a candidate for the stallion championship.—[N.]

COST OF HORSE LABOR ON THE FARM.

Agricultural conditions are gradually changing. Men now living remember when the first draft horses were brought to the United States. The average farm horse in those days was small, and so was the machinery. Now many farmers use three-bottom plows and two-row cultivators and horses proportionately larger. Since the introduction of the draft horse farmers have learned that it is the most profitable farm horse. High-priced land, high interest, ineffective man labor, and an occasional dry season have led many to give their horse equipment serious consideration. Those who have read the signs of the times correctly have been making plenty of money in horses. Every farmer should know why horse labor is expensive, and what methods are being followed to reduce these costs.

Recent figures furnished by farmers show that the farm horse works on an average of from 3 to 4 hours for each working day at a cost of $75 to $100 per year, or 9 to 12 cents per working hour. Man labor on these same farms costs from 14 to 20 cents per hour. The expense of keeping a team is more than that for a hired man. No farmer would think of employing a man during the entire year for 6 or 8 weeks of spring work, yet many farmers keep extra horses for which there is work only in the springtime. The horse that works practically every day earns his yearly keep. It is the idle horse that is too expensive. Plenty of horse power is absolutely necessary to put in a crop well and at the right time. The question is how to secure cheaper horse labor.

There are four practical methods by which horse labor costs may be reduced—the use of a cheap grade of horses, a better distribution of horse labor throughout the year, the use of young horses, and the use of more productive draft mares.

Cheap horses worth from $75 to $125 furnish labor at a low cost because the original investment and depreciation charges are lower than on $250- to $300-horses. For some farmers this is a decided advantage. The man with limited means is able to begin farming much sooner by using cheap horses. The man who must depend almost entirely on hired help, and that many times incompetent, finds that cheap horses are very satisfactory. If a careless driver overheats a cheap plug, the financial loss is not so great as if it were a $300-horse. But such horses can furnish only labor. Successful farmers who use this kind of horse labor attribute their success to the fact that they have had little money invested and that their main object has been to get the work done regardless of the welfare of their teams, though absolute disregard for the feelings of even plug horses is not laudable. A serious objection to using cheap horses is the fact that they soon become unfit for work and have to be replaced. It would be much better for the farmer to have a pair or two of good horses to sell every spring rather than a pair of plugs to buy, even though they do not cost much.

Much can be done to reduce horse labor costs by a better distribution of labor throughout the year. During the cropping season there is need for more horses than at any other time in the year. Most farmers do not buy extra horses for the busy season, selling them again when work is slack, but they carry all the horses they need throughout the year. Those who receive nothing but labor from their horses find that any system that will reduce the total number of horses kept and still operate the farm effectively contributes a great deal toward making the farm pay. If they have young horses that are increasing in value or brood mares that are producing valuable colts, the more horses that their farms will carry the greater will be their profits, providing they know how to develop and sell colts on a profit-paying basis.

Diversification is the keynote to a better distribution of horse labor. Growing more leguminous roughage reduces the number of acres in cultivated crops. Other crops may be selected that do not require attention at the same time as ordinarily cultivated crops do. The practice of fall-plowing many times enables the oats and corn crops to be put in earlier in the spring with less expenditure in both man and horse labor. Farmers who require only labor from their horses find that such a system is a good one; they do not have to carry as many horses. Those who grow out young colts advocate such a system because leguminous crops furnish excellent hay and pasture for growing animals.

Some farmers have been successful in reducing the expense of horse labor by using nothing except young horses. They have made money by buying up under-fed draft colts during the winter when they are rising three years old. They work them a season or two and then sell them. Thirty-month-old draft colts oftentimes look pretty tough in the hands of some farmers. For some unknown reason they seem to have an idea that young horses can be roughed along on cornstalks and oatstraw like steers, and that practically no grain need be fed to colts until they are old enough to work. As a result late winter or early spring finds such farmers with coming three-year-old colts that are poor prospects for spring work; rather than carry them over for another year they will sell them worth the money. Farmers who are good judges of horses, as well as good feeders, can pick up colts of this kind, break them, work them moderately during the first season and then turn them when they are four or rising five at a good figure. However, such a system cannot be recommended to every farmer; it is the unusual man and not the average who knows what to buy, how to feed, and when to sell. It takes a business mind coupled with unusual talent for handling horses to reduce horse labor costs by such a system.

Without a doubt, the use of productive draft mares is the most reliable and effective means of reducing horse labor costs. It will take fewer of them to do the same amount of work that was formerly done with 1,000- to 1,200-pound horses. Draft mares properly handled can easily accomplish all of the work required of the average farm horse and raise foals at the same time. They are more profitable than geldings or mules because they do more than merely furnish labor. Heavy draft mares make possible the use of larger machinery, thereby enabling the farmer to do his work more rapidly, more thoroughly, and with less expenditure of man labor. This means that every farmer who properly uses productive draft mares can secure his horse labor cheaper than by any other means. He gets valuable colts from his mares in addition to their work.

A farmer well known to me bought a pair of good grade draft mares as an experiment. These mares were five and six years old, weighed around 1,800 pounds each, and were heavy in foal to pure-bred stallions. The pair cost $550. They foaled soon after he bought them, one a filly, the other a colt. The colt was sold at about three years of age for $300. The farmer still owns the filly and he has refused $250 for her several times. In the fall after the foals were weaned he was offered $750 for the mares but would not sell them. One of them raised only one other foal, a mule that sold for $100 at about ten months of age. The other mare produced one filly for which he has refused $250 as a three-year-old, one colt valued at $125 as a two-year-old gelding, and three mules which sold for an average of $100 per head as yearlings. This farmer raised mules from these mares because he owned a jack and felt that it was too much trouble to go several miles to a good draft stallion. He sold the mares at the age of ten and eleven for $350. He had owned them for nearly six years and had used them practically every day. His original investment was $550. He received $700 for produce sold and he has three left on the farm which he values at $625. This makes a total of $1,325 for the produce of these two mares, one of which was an exceptionally poor breeder, producing only two colts in the six years. Assuming that these mares earned their yearly keep by the work which they did, the profit from this investment was $1,125, as the team sold for only $200 less than it cost. The owner wants more draft mares because he says that he misses them when there is heavy spring work to be done. He is firmly convinced t such mares are a profitable investment.

If properly handled, purebred draft mares red horse labor costs much faster than do grades. is admitted that purebred draft mares require m care and painstaking intelligence than do mules draft geldings. However, any farmer is well-p who is willing to take good care of his horses. farmer can afford to keep an old pair of geldi worth $75 each that will cost $100 per head to k per year for the work they will do. Neither can afford to raise colts that will bring only $120 to $ at maturity when it has cost nearly that much raise them. Purebred draft mares well taken c of furnish cheaper horse labor than grades not cause they are able to do any more work but beca their colts will always bring at least $100 to $ more at selling time. It costs no more to feed pu bred draft colts well than it does to feed grad Purebred draft mares are not able to do any m work than grades of the same size and temperame The difference in value is in the selling price of th produce.

Can the average farmer afford to keep pureb draft mares? This question was asked of C. McConnell, Hamilton county, Ind., and he repli "Yes; there is no question in my mind but that pure-bred draft mare on almost all of our medi sized farms is the most economical and dependa source of power for the bulk of their farm work. T tractor when tried proves to be expensive a adapted only to a small portion of the work on average farm. The purebred draft mare is the m satisfactory farm horse, providing the farmer kno how to raise colts or is willing to learn. Six g purebred draft mares can easily do the work of f big mules or geldings and they should produce lease four foals per year. These at two years of a will bring $300 to $350 per head, and many tim they will bring much more if they have been well-f Thus one has farm power which instead of being constant source of expense provides a good ann income."

H. S. Griesmer, Tazewell Co., Ill., says: "Twe years ago, I used fully one-third more horses common grade stock to do the same work that purebred Percheron mares do today. By using few horses I have reduced my feed costs a great de More horses mean more work in hitching, unhit ing, cleaning and harnessing. I believe that a farmer with from 160 to 200 acres of land can opera his farm with one less man by using pure-bred dr mares instead of common horses weighing arou 1,200 or 1,300 pounds."

"We keep purebred draft mares," says Emery He ingway, Cedar Co., Ia., "because we can make mo money operating our farms with them than wi grades. We are not horse dealers, but farmers terested in raising hogs and purebred Percher horses, feeding cattle, and in growing big crops f the money that we can make. We have 1,040 acr of land and operate it entirely with purebred P cheron mares. We are not raising purebred dra horses as a separate business. That is only a pa of our farm operations, and one which we belie any farmer can handle successfully if he will on take good care of his mares. We keep about thir five mares of breeding age which in addition to t colts old enough to do some work constitute our e tire source of farm power. We sell practically all the horse colts for stallions. Our weanlings bri on an average of $150 per head. The bulk of o colts are sold from two to three years of age at $4 to $500 per head. We raise from twenty to twent five every year. The home farm of 160 acres operated with six purebred Percheron mares. W put in 45 acres of corn this spring with these mare They have five live colts, and the other mare is d to foal in a few days. Any farmer can duplica what we are doing if he will only select good mar that are producers and then take good care of them —Ellis McFarland, Breeders' Gazette.

UNIQUE INSURANCE COMPANY PAYS FIRS LOSS.

Check No. 1 for $100 has been issued by The Hor Insurance Association of the U. S. Forest Service i payment of the claim of Ranger J. B. Stephenso stationed on the Cleveland National Forest in Sout ern California. One of Stephenson's horses was r cently injured while working with a constructio crew on the forest, and had to be shot. Satisfactor proof of loss was made to association headquarte in San Francisco and prompt payment was made t Mr. Stephenson.

This insurance association is not a governmer institution, but was recently formed by the fore rangers of the California-Nevada District of the Fe eral Forest Service for the purpose of distributin the loss that occurs when saddle and pack animal owned by its members are killed or disabled. It i purely mutual in character, funds to pay losses bein provided by means of a small quarterly assessmen All forest officers of the district are eligible for men bership in the association, each member being a sessed a small amount to provide a fund from whic to pay loss. The amount of the assessment depend on the losses incurred during a quarterly period.

At present over two hundred horses are insure and it is expected that this number will be greatl increased during the summer, when the forest forc will reach its maximum strength of from eight hur dred to nine hundred men.

THE FARM

OLIFORNIA HAS MONOPOLY IN BORAX.

reased Production in 1914 Shown by eports to United States Geological urvey.

he production of crude borate ma- ials in the United States in 1914 s 62,400 short tons valued at $1,464,- , as compared with 58,051 tons in 3, valued at $1,491,530. This is an rease in quantity of 7½ per cent, ording to Charles G. Yale and Hoyt Gale, of the United States Geolog- l Survey. All the crude borate ma- ial now used in this country is the neral colemanite. The product dur- 1914 was obtained from three nes, all in southern and southeast- n California, the larger part coming, usual, from the Lila C. mine of the cific Coast Borax Co., in the moun- ns of the Death Valley region of o county. During the year this mpany completed a calcining plant Death Valley Junction to roast the ver grade ores before shipping them New Jersey to be refined. It also mpleted a narrow-gauge railroad m the Tonopah & Tidewater rail- ad at Death Valley Junction to the ddy McCarthy and Monte Blanco nes of the company in the Furnace eek region, which have not yet been erated.

The Sterling Borax Co., near the rder of Los Angeles county, was sec- d in production. Two grades of ore e mined and are roasted to remove purities. On calcination the cole- anite content of the ore is dehydrat- and becomes a fine powder.

The Stauffer Chemical Co. of San ancisco, which was once interested the borax mines at Lang, has ob- ined a controlling interest in the oldings of the Russell Borate Co. in e Ventura district. This company uls the ore 35 miles to rail and ships to San Francisco for refining. The ason is limited to about seven onths in the year on account of eavy roads in winter.

A 40-foot deposit of colemanite is ported to have been discovered at a pth of 370 feet by ranchmen drilling r water about 4 miles from Rich ation, in the Kramer district, San rnardino county, Cal.

Chile and the United States lead the dustry with approximately equal out- ut of borates, or boric acid and borax, ach producing in round numbers bout 40,000 to 50,000 metric tons of rude ores, mainly calcium borates. urkey probably stands third in rank f production, with a reported average roduction of 14,000 tons reported as oracite; and Peru, Bolivia, Italy, Ar- entina, and India are also producers.

The price of borax crystals is quoted as 3¾ to 4 cents a pound, though it rose to 4¼ to 4¾ at the very close of the year. The price of boric acid crystals, which is normally 7 to 7½ cents a pound, advanced to 7¾ to 8½ cents at the close of the year. The tying up of some foreign sources of supply, as, for instance, the mines on the Sea of Marmora, and the interruption of foreign business has created somewhat larger demand for the American products, and a slight rise in price may be expected.

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MIXED FARMING.

When Benjamin Franklin said nearly 200 years ago: "Put not all thine eggs in one basket," he must have had diversified farming in mind.

In sections where wheat is the staple, there is great temptation to grow nothing but wheat. The practice inevitably leads to lessened yields and ultimately leads to barrenness. In the corn-belt the tendency is to grow corn almost exclusively and doubtless corn should be the most prominent crop in that region, but even this king of cereals must share tillage with oats and wheat and hay and potatoes and other things in order to make permanent agriculture possible.

As a general proposition, that farm prospers which produces plenty of hay and keeps it on the place. To sell hay is one of the short cuts to soil exhaustion. High grade livestock makes the farmer's best market. He makes a profit as a feeder, and if he takes good care of the manure, his lands are growing richer every year.

The farm is a place for work, and the more intelligent work that is applied to the crude products of field and barn yard, the bigger the profits.

Mixed farming with the livestock accompaniment means work all the year round. Especially is mixed farming profitable if a few extra good cows are kept. The average farm could support several cows on the roughage commonly wasted.

The farm garden does not get the attention it deserves. At garden time everyone is busy planting or plowing corn, or looking after the big things. Yet it is a common thing to see the garden acre the best paying acre on the whole place. Five acres in small fruits, berries and the right kind of vegetables will earn bigger net profits on labor and capital than 40 acres in corn or wheat. The expansive farmer who lives to wear a big overcoat at the stock shows should "despise not the day of small things."

According to the United States weather bureau records we have a serious drouth about every five years throughout the mid west. It is significant that in thise years when the corn is burned up with hot winds and lack of rainfall, the winter wheat in the same territory is nearly always a bumper.

Something Each Month.

The lesson from this division of responsibility is "Safety first." The farmer who does not plunge in some specialty nor give up all his interest and labor to a single crop, but has a little coming in every month in the year is the one who will most easily win independence.

This kind of a farm sends a few turkeys to town at Thanksgiving time. At Christmas there is an extra goose or two for somebody's dinner. In January the farmer kills a half dozen hogs, and after his own supply of meat is salted away he sells the surplus to people who like the good country article right from the farm. February sees a nice little check for a load of fat steers. In March the good wife exhibits a neat sum from early eggs for hatching. In April there is easy money from the sale of some weanling pigs. May is broiler time and market eggs contribute to the growing hoard. June, July and August are harvest months for fruits and vegetables. In September the farmer sells his small grain and corn follows in October.

In all these months the dairy turns a constant stream of dollars into the family treasury and when a carload of porkers or a well bred colt is sold, that coveted automobile, or new piano-player, or a much needed sleeping porch is gained without anybody feeling the expense, and everybody is happy.

"Something doing every month in the year" keeps all hands busy, and when people have something to show for their business the skies are blue, the world is a pleasant place to live in and life is a splendid thing.

One crop farming is unsafe and wasteful, while mixed farming distributes work throughout the year, lessens the risk from crop hazards and permits the scientific rotation of crops which means permanent soil fertility. —Rocky Mountain Husbandman.

MULCHING CONSERVES MOISTURE.

R. S. Vaile of Ventura county, in discussing the common problem that all fruitgrowers who irrigate their trees have to deal with, viz., the even distribution of water, suggests that some system of mulching may be worked out that will be very useful in assisting in the distribution of the water, and also serve a good purpose in retaining the moisture where it is most needed in the soil.

The principles involved in Mr. Vaile's article are not new; in fact, they were well known by fruitgrowers in the '60s, but they are nevertheless capable of profitable application under certain conditions.

The first and most important condition that must be present if mulching is to be practiced is the certainty—a probability will not answer—of being able to obtain the material for mulch whenever through decay the original application grows too thin to longer protect the soil from drying winds and the rays of the sun, for it must be understood that a mulching system, once commenced and established, may not be discontinued without serious injury to the trees.

The layer of mulch must be of sufficient thickness to protect the soil and hold the moisture up to the surface, otherwise it will harden and allow the moisture to escape, an undesirable consequence.

However, with a sufficient supply of mulching material in sight and to be provided from year to year, there can be no question as to its power to keep the root zone of the fruit trees in an evenly moist condition with the use of very much less water than must be used under the usual methods of irrigation and cultivation; but it must be borne in mind that because the mulch, if properly applied, will retain moisture evenly up to the surface of the soil, it will also induce root growth upward as far as soil and moisture make growth possible, and that is why this system if once established must be continued, or the roots in the top few inches will be destroyed by plow or cultivator on the return to the usual methods of orchard work.

By the mulch method the soil will yearly receive added fertility from the decaying mulch, and the expense of cultivation will be saved, both of which are important items in the conduct of an orchard, and may equal or exceed the cost of applying the mulch; but on the other hand, some system of keeping down the green growth that will start during the rainy season from seeds in the mulch must be devised, and will cost something.

Any one who contemplates trying the mulch system should try it out in a small way, and demonstrate its workings under the conditions present in his section before adopting it largely with a possible chance of being compelled to abandon it later, to the detriment of his orchards.

As stated above, the certainty of a steady supply of mulching material from year to year is indispensable to the success of the system.—Home and Farmer.

TREAT INFLAMED UDDERS PROMPTLY.

"Garget makes an appearance every once in a while in cows which apparently are in perfect health," said F. B. Hadley of the college of agriculture. "The milk in severe cases," he continued, "is either stringy or otherwise altered in character when drawn and collects a yellowish colored sediment on standing. In less pronounced cases there may be little visible change in the milk, but an examination would reveal a large number of germs.

"Noninfectious garget is caused by bruises or other injuries, or by a sudden congestion of blood in the udder, as frequently occurs in heavy milkers and in heifers at first calving. Affected animals usually make a complete recovery if given 1½ pounds of Epsom salts and their feed is restricted to that of a succulent nature.

"The cause of infectious garget is a germ or germs. When many of them are present in the udder not only is the milk changed, as mentioned above, but the udder itself becomes hot and sensitive to the touch.

"The importance of the infectious form of garget rests in the fact that it is usually not easily cured and has a tendency to recur. Furthermore, the disease is easily conveyed to healthy cows through the medium of the milker's hands or contaminated material of any kind, unless precautions are taken to avoid the transfer of the germs.

"Temporary relief may be given by bathing the udder with hot water for one half hour each morning and evening. After thoroughly drying the surface of the udder warm cottonseed oil should be rubbed in with the palm of the hand.

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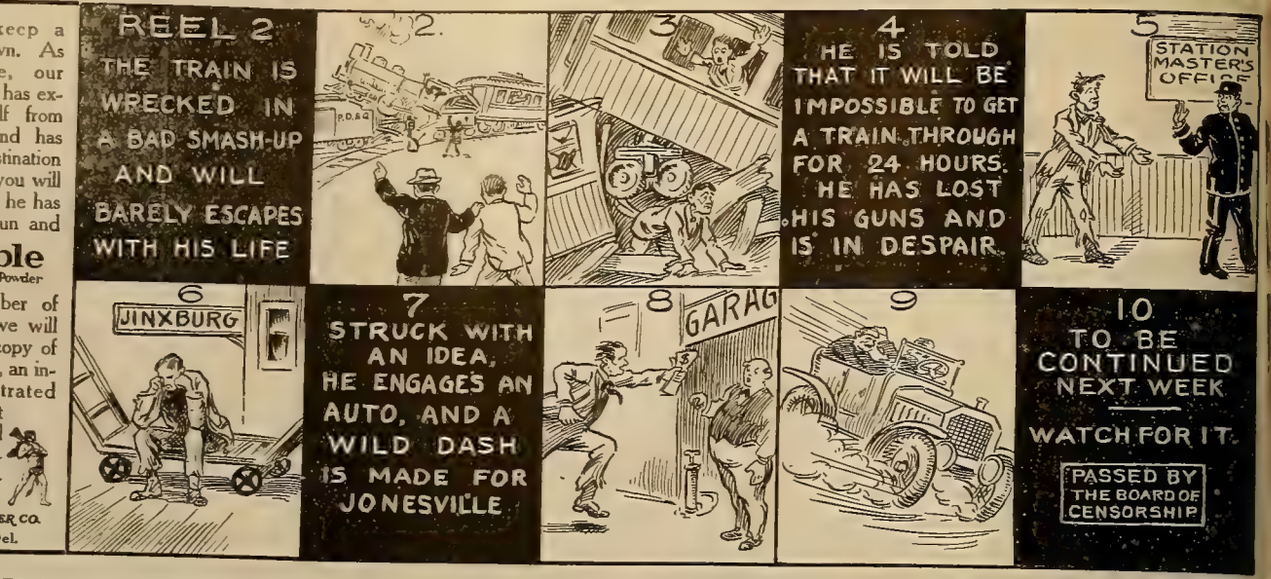
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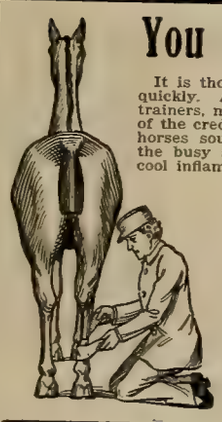
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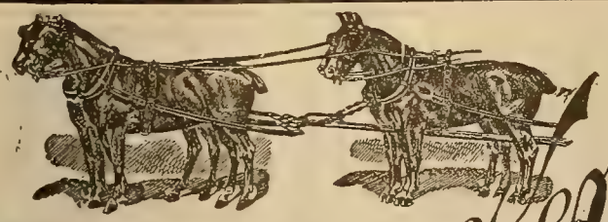
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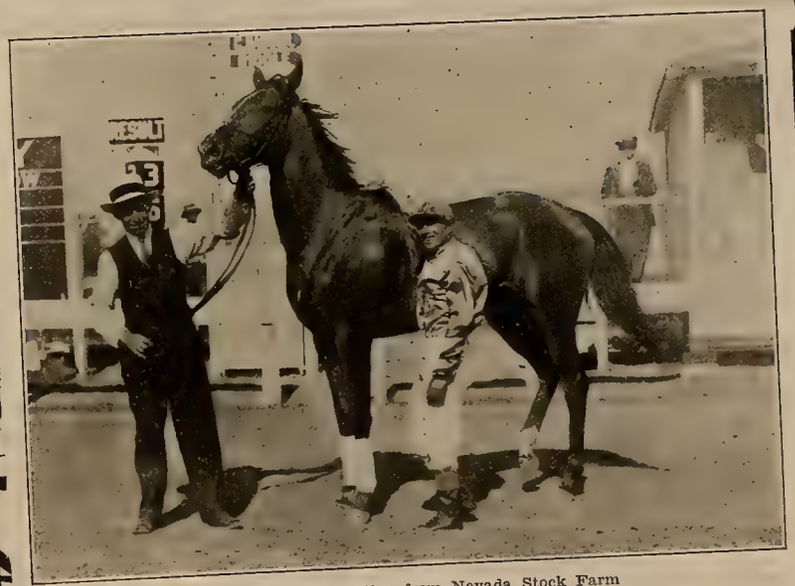






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> From our Athenian contemporary, the "Horse Breeder," of recent date, we reproduce the following editorial, which was inspired by one that appeared in the Review a few weeks ago:
>
> It has been suggested that one of the features of European racing that might well be adopted in this country is the naming of important harness events after famous horses, whether they be sires, dams, or high-class racers.
>
> The "Breeder" heartily concurs in this conclusion, but is not at all sanguine as to the probability of such action being successfully brought to a conclusion, principally for the following reason: We have our M. and M., our Ohio, our Transylvania, etc., which names (having a commercial value owing to the memorable contests they have brought about), could not very well be discarded. Most of the other "big" purses are named for some industry or institution, hotels, perhaps, being in the lead in this particular, it being the practice for the person or business which gives the race its name to take—or, at least, guarantee—a certain number of nominations, each one of which means exactly so much cash to the track giving the race.
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> A good plan, fair to both parties and to the public, since those who pay at the gate care not one whit whether the $10,000 trot for 2:09 horses they have come miles to see, and the field for which embraces several equine stars, is called the Hambletonian Purse, the Uhlan Handicap, or the Sure Shot for Spavin Sweepstakes. The contest between horses of extreme speed is what the public pays for, and, if the proprietor of the justly celebrated Pleasant Pellets for Puny Pups tells the track management he will plank down $2,000 if the Hambletonian purse is changed to the Pleasant Pellets, the chances are all in favor of his offer being accepted, and why shouldn't it be?
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> When turf rules permit the purchase of famous horses and the changing of their names to those of patent medicines, it is idle to argue that the associations that give big purses for horses so named ought—from pure aestheticism—to call these events after famous horses for nothing when the Pleasant Pellets man stands in the offing and waves a bunch of coarse money which he is prepared to hand to the track under certain conditions.
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> When it comes down to the cold facts at issue, we think we are not far wrong in stating that the amount of advertising subsidization of our notable harness stakes resembles, more than anything else, the hole in the doughnut rather than the periphery thereof. Let us take, for instance, the three events named above—that is, the M. and M., the Ohio and The Transylvania. We believe, when first inaugurated, something over a quarter of a century ago, the M. and M. and its companion stake, the C. of C., were, to a certain extent, subsidized by certain commercial organizations of Detroit—but we believe it is also true that this condition long since ceased to exist, and that for many seasons past these races have been sponsored wholly by the Detroit Driving Club. So far as they are concerned, however, we think it would be a blunder to change the name of either, for both are so widely known and have such memorable histories under their long-standing appellations that any alteration would be extremely ill-advised. But if our Athenian editor will kindly inform us what institution, pill-factory, or other enterprise, similar or dissimilar, ever subsidized the Ohio or the Transylvania, we would feel vastly enlightened. We had supposed that the former was named for the great middle-western state in which North Randall, where it is trotted, is situated; and that the latter was named in honor of the famous Transylvania University, at Lexington, which, in turn, derived its title from the Latin name applied in Colonial times, to a vast extent of territory of which Kentucky was a part, its meaning being, "beyond the forest (or wilds)"—a name redolent of that aestheticism against which our editor protests and leading to the query, Is he not writing considerably at random?
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> We have no doubt in the world that the K. T. H. B. A., when it originated the Kentucky Futurity, could have obtained a lusty subsidy therefor, if it had endeavored to secure some big Blue Grass distiller to act as the "angel" of the event in return for having his distillery's name "blown in the bottle." Indeed, it probably could today—but it has never seen fit to adopt such a course—certainly a shocking example of aesthetic ascendancy over "cold facts." All along the line the K. T. H. B. A. has been similarly negligent, for, aside from naming a few events for celebrated breeders or breeding establishments (some of which have endowed these events with trophies for the winner and some of which have not, but none of which have ever guaranteed or subsidized them), they have neglected all the brilliant advertising opportunities within their grasp.
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> Years ago the home town of the "Breeder" used to be a Grand Circuit point, but, if we remember aright—and we are confident that we do—its top-liner, as a fixed event, was named after the old Bay State—"the Massachusetts"—and not for a booze emporium, a phosphate mill, or even a hostelry. As we farther recall it, the other stakes at these meetings were named for historic places 'round about, as the Blue Hill, the Neponset, the Ponkapoag, etc., etc. In so far as North Randall is concerned, its stake program is also destitute of advertising "angels." Aside from the Ohio, it features the Edwards and the Fasig, two events named after two of the foremost men in the past connected with harness racing in and about Cleveland, Colonel William Edwards and William B. Fasig, both now dead, and both eminently deserving of such monuments. In addition it has also its well-known Tavern "Steak," which is, if not an example of aestheticism, at least devoid of any advertising angle of the variety which our contemporary exploits.
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> We might go on and recall the fact that the classic Charter Oak stake, at Hartford, has now weathered the storms of thirty-two years without any pill placards or liniment labels posted upon its drop curtain, etc., etc., but it is unnecessary. The point we wish to make is this—that the editorial from the "Breeder" is alike devoid of aestheticism and of cold facts. But it is marked by a tendency that is one of the blights of harness racing as at present, and for a long while past, conducted in this country—which is, to place and keep it upon what we may term a "corned-beef-and-cabbage" basis, in which the crass, the crude and the commercial are always in the foreground, and all other considerations and aspects kept subservient to them. If there is any one thing that American harness racing needs, it is the soft-pedaling of these features and policies. By this we do not mean to say that it is neither allowable nor praiseworthy for stake events to be promoted with "angelic" assistance of the nature under discussion. Under certain circumstances, such events have their own proper place to fill. But when a supposedly representative turf journal like the "Breeder," hailing from the "Athens of America," stoops to argue that our trotting associations cannot afford to follow the European custom and name some of the events upon their programs in honor of great historic individual horses, because, forsooth, they must angle for advertising subsidies for these events, a lementable example is presented of inability to apprehend the elementary aspects of sport conducted upon a high plane.
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> Such subsidies are not distinctive of high-class sport of any kind, and when they are pandered to and given the center of the stage, they reflect upon the status of anything to which they are attached. It is a mistake, also, to argue that the public is indifferent to such matters. The public is much more sensitive to these things than such arbiters of taste as the editor of the "Breeder" imagines. It is very quick to take notice of "cheap" things where "cheapness" is uncalled for, and it properly resents them. It "gets wise" with great rapidity to the wiles of the publicity promoter and gives unmistakable evidence of it to any observer capable of seeing through a pane of glass. The truth of Abraham Lincoln's saying that you can fool all the public part of the time and part of the public all the time, but not all the public all the time, was never more forcible than at the present day, and it grows constantly more so. The public does not need a guardian to proclaim to it the difference between cream and skim-milk. It likes things that have "class"—and it is particularly susceptible to the attractiveness of names. Owing to this, many organizations and enterprises use the greatest care in bestowing names upon things for which they wish to attract public favor—and in a host of cases they have been known to pay large, even huge, sums of money, for especially appropriate ones.
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> There is nothing that the managers of our trotting associations could do to better advantage than to give heed to these "cold facts," and take advantage of the lesson that they teach—but up to date the proportion of them that have done so is very small—and it will certainly not grow much larger so long as such exponents of the "corned-beef-and-cabbage" style of doing things as the editor of our Athènian contemporary beckons them along the pathway marked out in his utterances quoted above.
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> Now the above argument is something in which we have absolutely no cause at stake, but—while former sad experiences, both personal and on the part of numerous acquaintances, have taught us the folly of "horning in" on someone else's funeral, we are impelled to rise to a point of order (or whatever the proper parliamentary term may be) and promulgate a few thick witted cogitations and queries of our own. Primarily, we think the Review has taken the Breeder's remarks a bit improperly, but there is no doubt concerning the seriousness with which the Review editor views his own utterances, nor does he leave room for doubt as to the aestheticism of his own chaste spirit. What a soul-mate he would have made for some of the ancient Greeks!—Sappho, or Helen of Troy, or Queen Elizabeth, or Marie Corelli, or Ella Wheeler Wilcox, for instance.
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> But the query we fain would have answered is this: How, in the face of such a display of the finer feelings of his inner soul and of his horror-stricken loathing of anything resembling "advertising subsidization of our notable stakes," does he account for that lamentable faux pas committed in the sacred confines of his own sanctum, the christening of a certain famous light harness classic as "The Horse Review Futurity"?
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> How it must humiliate him!
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> Why was it not given an aesthetic appellation redolent of the locality in which it had its inception, an appellation free from all hint of base commercialism? Why (just supposing) was it not called "The Kickapoo" or "The Pottawatamie," in honor of the early residents of that portion of Illinois? or, to be more strictly local, "The Bubbly Creek," in honor of a certain fragrant inland waterway; or, as a token of love and affection, "The Lake Breeze," in memory of the one gift of God which makes a certain climatic paradise a tenable habitation for men, mules and motorcars for two or three months of the year?
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> Or, did they wish to honor some eminent Chicagoan standing high in horsedom, why was it not named, as a compliment to that sole purveyor of authoritative race reports, "The Magnus Flaws"?
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> All we are asking for is real information, and we will bet six bucks, Mex., that real information on this dark point is the last thing we will get.

Records Fall at North Randall Track

Lee Axworthy Beats Peter Volo — William Downs Directum I.

Some days ago when the A. P. wires carried broadcast the news that on Monday, August 16, two great five-thousand-dollar match races between Peter Volo and Lee Axworthy on one hand and William and Directum I. on the other would be staged at North Randall, interest ran very high, especially in the central western cities that were within reach of the scene of battle. Given good weather it was a foregone conclusion that there would be some wonderful racing and a great crowd, both features developing fully when the day arrived. By the grace of good fortune the day was fair, the footing excellent, people came in droves from all directions and the racing was of the record breaking variety.

In each instance, the horses pitted against each other were "ancient enemies." Peter Volo, with Lee Axworthy as his nearest competitor, had hung up some wonderful records as a three-year-old, while the meetings last season between the two great pacers furnished the thrills of the year. As four-year-olds, the trotters had never met, but Directum I. had recently gone down once this season before his younger rival, making the score even up between them.

Early in the training season when the Pastime Stable issued its defi to all comers for a match race with Lee Axworthy it was the general opinion that the stable's proprietors were nice folks with money to spend for a little sport, but Monday's race proved that they were not only after the fun but out for the coin in earnest. Having been so thoroughly proven the best of the pair last season, Volo was the general choice in the betting, but the Ohio crowd was game and backed Axworthy substantially, the recent performances of their favorite having given them confidence in plenty. Volo won the first heat by a very narrow margin in 2:02, which equals the stallion record held by The Harvester since 1910, and cuts a second and a quarter from the four-year-old stallion record of 2:03¼ made last season by Etawah. In the next heat Andrews took his colt away very fast, carrying Volo to a break and securing the pole. Closing up the lost ground at the speed required left Murphy's mount all out for the stretch brush, Axworthy winning handily in 2:03¼, the former record for the age and sex. The third heat was easier for the Cleveland trotter as Volo still felt the effects of his extraordinary efforts of the preceding mile. The race establishes a new three heat record for trotters, the aggregate time being 6:09½ as against Etawah's total of 6:10¾.

Brilliant as was the race between the pacers, the contest was not so close as in the trot, William taking the lead at the first turn in each heat and never being headed, the miles being in 1:58½ and 2:00—time that has been beaten for two heats in a race by Directum I. only, and that in a contest with William, stamping the pair beyond doubt as the very greatest of racing pacers. William's fastest mile supplants that of Uhlan in 1:58¾ as the record for the North Randall track, and that of Braden Direct in 2:01½ as the world's record for five-year-old pacing stallions. As a matter of interest at this time and for future reference the summaries of all meetings of the contestants in these great match races are appended:

WILLIAM — DIRECTUM I.

SEASON OF 1914.

Grand Rapids, Sept. 15, 1914—Special pace, purse $6000:
William, b c (4) by Abe J. 2:10—Lizzie C. 2:20½, by Jaywood 6551 .....(Marvin) 1 1 1
Directum I., ch h (7) by Directum Kelly 2:08¼—Izetta R. 2:13½ by Pactolus 2:12¾...(Snedeker) 2 2 2
Time—2:01¾, 2:01¼, 2:02½.

Columbus, Sept. 30, 1914—Champion Stallion Stake, purse $3000:
Directum I. (7).....(Snedeker) 1 1
William (4) .....(Marvin) 2 2
Time—1:58, 2:00.

Grand Rapids, Oct. 2, 1914—Special pace, purse $4,000:
Directum I. (7) .....(Snedeker) 1 1
William (4) .....(Marvin) 2 2
Time—2:04¼, 2:01¼.

SEASON OF 1915.

Detroit, July 31, 1915—Free-for-all pace, purse $5,000:
William, b h (5) by Abe J. 2:10.....(Marvin) 2 1 1
Directum I., ch h (8) by Directum Kelly 2:08¼.. .....(Murphy) 1 3 4
Flower Direct, b m (8) by Direct's Star 2:09¾.. .....(Whitehead) 3 2 2
Anna Bradford, bl m (4) by Todd Mac 2:08¾.. .....(Shank) 4 4 3
Time—2:00¼, 2:02, 2:04.

Cleveland, Aug. 16, 1915—Special pace, purse $5,000:
William (5) .....(Marvin) 1 1
Directum I. (8).....(Murphy) 2 2
Time—1:58½, 2:00.

LEE AXWORTHY — PETER VOLO.

SEASON OF 1914.

Kalamazoo, Aug. 12, 1914—Horseman Futurity, purse $10,000:
Peter Volo, b c (3) by Peter the Great (4) 2:07¼—Nervolo Belle by Nervolo 2:04¼.....(Murphy) 1 1 1
Lee Axworthy, b c (3) by Guy Axworthy (4) 2:08¾—Gaiety Lee 2:16¼ by Bingen 2:06¼.. .....(Andrews) 2 2 6
Ortolan Axworthy (McDonald), 4-3-2; Lady Wanetka (Cox), 3-5-4; Lucile Spier (Snow), 6-4-3; Adbella Watts (McDevitt), 5-6-5.
Time—2:04¾, 2:05¾, 2:06¾.

Hartford, Sept. 10, 1914—Matron Stake, purse $5,042.50:
Peter Volo (3) .....(Murphy) 1 1
Lee Axworthy (3) .....(Andrews) 2 2
Adbell M. (Avery), 3-3.
Time—2:13¾, 2:17¾.

Columbus, Sept. 26, 1914—Horse Review Futurity, purse $8,000:
Peter Volo (3) .....(Murphy) 1 1
Lee Axworthy (3) .....(Andrews) 3 2
Lady Wanetka (Cox), 2-3; W. J. Leyburn (McCarthy), 4-4; Saint Frisco (Geers), 5-5.
Time—2:07¼, 2:08¾.

Lexington, Oct. 6, 1914—Kentucky Futurity, purse $14,000:
Peter Volo (3) .....(Murphy) 1 1 1
Lee Axworthy (3) .....(Andrews) 2 2 3
Lady Wanetka (Cox), 3-3-2; Ortolan Axworthy (McDonald), 4-4-4.
Time—2:07¼, 2:05, 2:03½.

SEASON OF 1915.

Cleveland, Aug. 16, 1915—Special trot, purse $5,000:
Lee Axworthy (4) .....(Andrews) 2 1 1
Peter Volo (4) .....(Murphy) 1 2 2
Time—2:02, 2:03¾, 2:04¼.

VOLGA (2) 2:13¼.

Prominent among the eastern sensations concerning whom a certain amount of information has trickled through to the coast this spring is the two-year-old filly Volga, sister to Peter Volo, in Billy Andrews' stable. Volga is touted as the one and only two-year-old trotter in the country and of course may be great enough to survive this handicap and go out and win everything in sight, but we are a bit inclined to the view that when the big stakes are raced this fall there will be a few others finish inside the flag. Like a good many others among the headliners, Volga is an "individualist" of the extreme type, the following story from the Grand Rapids Herald throwing some interesting light upon some of her most pronounced traits:

"Volga is a medium size, trimly made two-year-old daughter of Peter the Great. She is pretty as a picture, gaited to the point of perfection, knows nothing but trot when on the race track, and instead of being (or having been) trained for speed, she has been and is being trained with the sole idea of seeing how slow she can be persuaded to go on the days when it is her turn to take one of the semi-weekly 'workouts' all trotters must have as an important feature of their training.

"Already, although she has started in but one race, Volga has tabbed herself as a champion in the minds of all who have seen her perform. While being "talked back" by her driver, W. J. Andrews (who has Lee Axworthy, the star among 1915 trotting stallions, in his stable), Volga trotted a mile in 2:11 over the Cleveland track. 'Amazing!' said the railbirds, 'but too fast.' That criticism would have been true enough in case of almost any other colt than Volga in the history of trotting, but it did not apply to the flying filly, because that 2:11 mile meant nothing more to her than covering the distance in the 2:40 would mean to the ordinary good two-year-old trotter.

"Right now, on what they have seen her do, horsemen of the critical class, men who have seen the colt champions of the last half century, rate Volga up to a mile in 2:07, and when it is considered that the world's record for two-year-old trotting fillies is 2:07¾, and that it was made in October, some idea of what Volga might do next fall were she coaxed to go fast instead of being coaxed to go slow, may be had. And aside from being a speed miracle the chestnut filly has notable points.

"She is a perfect storage tank of energy, having so much more 'gimp' than any of the great colt trotters that have preceded her that they seem by comparison to have been tame and spiritless.

"No distance is too long for Volga to trot—if you let her have the say—and no rate of speed is too great for her to attain, according to her ideas. Brought on the track when her day for 'work' rolls around, she will play like a kitten, taking little side jumps at the most unexpected moments, then darting ahead as if Satan and all his hosts were after her, and perhaps changing from that mood to one which says to her 'pace a little," whereat she will scoot away on the smoothest pace you ever saw, the exhibition being in every way so perfect that one seeing her then for the first time never would dream she knew of any other mode of locomotion.

"But when the play spell is ended, when she has pirouetted and caracoled and waltzed her way around the track a couple of times, and at last Andrews turns her head the right way of the course, Volga undergoes a transformation. No more play spells, no jumping, no pacing. She just drops her beautiful head into the check, shifts to a beautiful, space-killing trot and is ready and eager for whatever her driver desires in the way of speed. She knows perfectly well she is to be permitted to trot fast. Not as fast as she would like to go—oh, no—but faster than any other colt of her age can go, and faster even than most aged horses. Then it is a coaxing match on the part of Andrews. It would never do to take the beautiful filly back to a slow rate by main strength, for she would fight that sort of treatment from the instant it was begun and in a short time become a confirmed 'puller,' would be what is known as 'speed crazy,' and that means worthlessness as a race horse.

"So Andrews talks to the filly, now and then exerting gentle pressure on the lines to explain the point of his argument, and Volga (who is at heart the best natured thing in the world) nearly always will come to his way of thinking and do about as he wants her to in the speed line. But now and then she just cannot hold in any longer, and away she goes with a burst of speed that if kept up for a mile would shatter all the records for her age. No use to pull her then—that would only make matters worse—so away she goes on the long sprint, and when the wire is reached there is another fast mile to be put down on her training chart—which in the case of a great trotter is as carefully kept as is the chart the nurse in the hospital guards so closely until the doctor has arrived and looked it over.

"Something like $30,000 worth of stakes can be won by Volga as a two- and a three-year-old if she is fortunate to finish first in all those to which she is eligible, and her victory in every last one of them is merely a matter of her keeping sound—for it is plain nothing of her age comes near enough to the flying filly in speed to give her a hail, and that accidents barred, she will 'walk in' every time she turns for her money."

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Grand Opera, the Canadian pacer, enjoys the distinction of being the only horse to be distanced twice in the same race this season. He was a hot favorite in the 2:10 pace at Rockport and after a singlefoot, run and pace specialty was distanced in the first heat. Scenting fraud the judges placed him and substituted another driver, with no marked improvement. The original teamster was restored for the third heat and again the horse whose name describes our idea of no kind of a show for our money saw the flag drop. This time he stayed out, and Guy Rockwell suggests Ragtime as a more fitting cognomen.

LEXINGTON, KENTUCKY.

Aug. 2—Free-for-all trot, for cups.
Boquita McKinney, b m by McKinney (R. L. Nash) 1 1
King McGregor, b h by Jay McGregor (S. S. Combs) 2 2
Mrs. Platt, b m.....(J. Dodge) 3 3
Olivia Worthy, b m by Axworthy.....(C. Nash) 4 4
Henseley, 5-5.
Time—2:33, 2:25½.

Aug. 3—2:20 trot, purse $300:
Mendosa T., br m by Tregantle.....(Magowan) 2 1 1
Phoebe Sterling, b f (4) by Moko (M. Bowerman) 3 4 2
Kerrigan, br c (4) by Axworthy.....(Allen) 4 2 3
Nonie G., br m by General Forest.....(Davis) 6 3 4
Ella Tregantle, b m by Tregantle (Mumma), 1-dis.
Time—2:12½, 2:16½, 2:16¼.

Matinee trot, for cups:
Hollyrood Constant, b g (3) by General Watts.... .....(J. L. Dodge) 1 1
Hillbrooke Queen, b m by Wilask..(S. T. Harbison) 2 2
Don Kay, b g by The Anglin.....(S. S. Combs) 3 3
Time—2:19¾, 2:22.

Aug. 5—Three-year-old trot, purse $400:
Worthetta McKinney, b f by McKinney....(Miller) 1 1
Luke A., ch c by San Francisco.....(Macey) 2 2
Golden Axworthy, b f by Morgan Axworthy..... .....(M. Bowerman) 4 3
The Sunshine Girl, b f by Ozono.....(Davis) 3 4
Hollyrood King, 5-dis.; Britton Forbes, dis.
Time—2:14¼, 2:13¼.

Matinee trot, for cups:
Thorne Worthy, ch c (4) by Axworthy..(C. Nash) 3 1 1
Sadie Hook, ch m by The Hobo...(S. S. Combs) 1 2 2
Jane Ann, br m by Peter the Great..(J. B. Hall) 3 3 3
Time—2:24, 2:18¼, 2:15¼.

To beat 2:30¼, trotting; purse $——:
Sanagree, ch f (2) by Peter the Great.....(Allen 2:28
Tregarland, b c (2) by Tregantle.....(Allen) 2:26½
Governor Cox, b h by Moko.....(Allen) 2:26½

To beat 2:29¼, trotting, purse $——:
Bowbelle McKinney, gr m by McKinney..(C. Nash) 2:18¼

To beat 2:25¼, pacing, purse $——:
Lady Booker, ro f (3) by Peter the Great..(Allen) 2:18¼

Aug. 6—Two-year-old trot, purse $400:
Forest B., b c by Mainleaf.....(Utterback) 4 1 3 1
Ashland Worthy, b c by Axworthy....(Miller) 3 2 1 2
Suldine, b c by Worthy McKinney....(Moody) 1 6 4 3
Helen E., ch f by Mainleaf.....(Curry) 2 3 2 ro
Hermonie B., 5-4-ro.; Oscar Watts, 7-5-ro.; Mojiah, 6-7-ro.
Time—2:17¼, 2:17¼, 2:19, 2:23¼.

To beat 2:30¼, trotting, purse $——:
Colito, br f (3) by Silio.....(Moody) 2:27½
Rhinelander, b c (2) by Bingen.....(Snell) 2:23¾
Black Gal, bl m by Late Director.....(Allen) 2:27½

To beat 2:29¼, trotting, purse $——:
Boquita McKinney, b m by McKinney....(Miller) 2:19½
Imperio, bl h by Bellini.....(M. Bowerman) 2:15
Ogarina, br f by Walnut Hall.....(Moody) 2:22¼

To beat 2:12¼, trotting, purse $——:
Alice McGregor, b m by Jay McGregor (McAllister) 2:08½

To beat 2:10¼, pacing, purse $——:
Present Queen, b m by Searchlight A.....(Long) 2:08¾

To beat 2:28½, trotting, purse $——:
Leonie B., br f (3) by Bingen.....(Snell) 2:22½

Aug. 7—2:30 trot, purse $300:
J. Forbes, br c (4) by J. Malcolm Forbes....(Curry) 1 1
Phoebe Sterling, b f (4) by Moko....(M. Bowerman) 2 2
Emma G., br m by Peter the Great.....(Magowan) 3 3
Time—2:17¼, 2:14¼.

Special pace, purse $——:
Sadie Hook, ch m by The Hobo.....(S. S. Combs) 1 1
Jane Ann, bl m by Peter the Great.....(J. B. Hall) 2 2
Time—2:14½, 2:17.

To beat 2:30¼, trotting, purse $——:
Mister Hawthorne, ro c(2) by Axworthy...(Miller) 2:27¼

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Single G. gets his name from a peculiar white mark in his forehead resembling the seventh letter of the alphabet. Any name is good if the horse is "all there," though some are less classic than others.

OE MARKEY AND THE DERYDERS AT PEORIA.

Charley and Mrs. DeRyder made the trip from California in their motor, stopping enroute to race, but using no other means of transport during the entire trip. To me the two-year-old colt Anvilite 2:21¼ was of particular interest, for he is the first record performer for one of my long-time favorites, Anvil 2:02¾. Charley stated that after winning with the youngster at San Francisco and coming east he had very little chance to give him regular work, and as a consequence he was at present "short." He worked him in 2:20 on Thursday and I can attest that Anvilite is a real trotter. He is of rather above average size and is very highly developed in a physical way for one of his age. In fact, one could well be fooled in taking him for an aged horse. His dam is Martha Spy, by The Spy, whose first foal, a filly by The Harvester 2:01, was a sensational yearling for Mr. Geers, but died early the following spring. Mr. Geers bred this colt and also sold the dam to R. J. MacKenzie, of Winnipeg. Charley smiled when I told him that Volga 2:13¼, the filly that he has to meet in the futurities, could perhaps shade 2:08. He didn't seem to doubt my claim for Volga, but the point is he wasn't scared a bit. Evidently Charley thinks that Anvilite needs to take off his hat to no colt or filly of his age. It certainly would be a fine thing for Anvil if he would sire a star off the reel, his stud career just being in its inception. Maymack 2:04½ got a trifle off in shipping, but on Saturday Charley worked her in 2:06½, I was told, but didn't time the mile.

"Brother Will" DeRyder, who won the $20,000 race at San Francisco with Spriggan 2:08¼, annexed the 2:09 trot on Saturday with the now-noted gelding. Will told me that after the Exposition race Spriggan became ill and was also troubled with a curb. He has rounded to, however, and from the manner in which he trotted through the stretch in the second heat I take it that he has a lot of speed. He is an odd-looking gelding, being a couple of inches higher over his coupling than at the withers, but he is clean gaited, and needs no boots, although they are sometimes used for protection.—Horse Review.

OMAHA, NEBRASKA.

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 5.—2:30 trot, purse $500:

California B., b g by Athasham..(Beezeley)	1	1	2	2	1
Pronto J., blk g by Strathway..(Sebastian)	7	2	1	1	2
Fred R., b g by Mytolus.....(Combs)	3	3	5	5	3
*Socius, b h by Spokane.....(Dennis)	2	4	4	4	6
*Minnie Osten, b m by Cecelian Bells..... (Gatfield)	4	6	3	3	4

Allie Axwood, 6-5-6-6-5; Colonel Vidmer, 5-8-8-dr.; Tommy Hooper, 8-7-7-dr.; Billy Murray, 9-dis.
*Divided fourth money.
Time—2:27¾, 2:28¼, 2:27¼, 2:27¼, 2:28½.

2:22 pace, purse $500:

Josie Knight, gr m by Twelfth Night....(Dennis)	1	1	1
Louie Mack, b g breeding unknown.....(Casey)	3	3	2
Charline, b g by Shade On.....(Owens)	4	2	3
John B., br h by Bullett, Jr ....(Wilson—Rhodes)	2	4	4

Fred Hill, 5-5-5; Tiptop, 6-6-6; Frank Holloway, dis.; Major Constantine, dis.
Time—2:22¼, 2:23, 2:24.

2:15 trot, purse $500:

David Look, blk g by Wilask.....(Casey)	1	2	1	1
Merlo Mc., b m by McAdams.....(Ginger)	3	1	4	3
Lord Duke, b g by Jackdaw.....(Owens)	2	4	6	2
Arondo, b g by Moquette.....(Bennerfield)	5	3	2	5

Tena G., 4-5-3-4; Jim O'Shea, 6-6-5-6.
Time—2:25¼, 2:23, 2:24¼, 2:25¾.

2:19 trot, purse $500:

Edith Alltell, b h by Alltell.....(Benefield)	1	1	1
The Chief, br g by Darkway.....(Hackler)	2	3	2
*Great Northern, b g by Wayland W.....(Ward)	4	2	6
*Golden Rusk, b g by Rusk.....(Chrisman)	5	4	3

John Emerson, 3-6-4; George Summers, 6-5-5.
*Divided third and fourth moneys.
Time—2:26, 2:23¼, 2:23¼.

2:12 pace, purse $500:

Shadeline, ch h by Shade On..(Owens-Dennis)	1	3	1	1
R. W. E., ch g by Billy Houston...(Benefield)	4	1	2	4
*Strathtell, b h by Motell.....(Barnes)	7	2	3	2
*M. T., b g by Conrad.....(Johnson)	2	4	5	3

Shady Butterfly, 6-5-4-5; Cambridge Belle, 3-7-6-7; Joe Joe, 5-6-7-6; C. D. M., 8-dr.; Irene Beau, dis.
*Divided third and fourth moneys.
Time—2:15¼, 2:18¾, 2:20, 2:17.

Three-year-old trot, purse $300:

Lord Archdale, br c by Archdale.....(Parks)	1	1	
Billy Todd, b c by Sorento Todd.....(Eighmy)	2	2	
Office Boy, b g by Dr. Igo.....(Willis)	4	3	
Daisy Todd, b f by George Todd.....(Rhodes)	3	5	

Rose Hedgewood, 5-4.
Time—2:30, 2:32½.

Three-year-old pace, purse $200:

Oregon Hal, b c by Hal B.....(Dennis)	1	z1	
Tahwanee Patch, b c by Dan Patch.....(McKey)	2	2	
Sir Archibald, blk g by Ash Bud.....(McVey)	3	3	
Queen Okla, b f by King Okla.....(Sebastian)	4	4	

Time—2:36, 2:33¼.

Aug. 7.—2:08 pace, purse $500:

Columbia Fire, b g by Pactolus.....(Stanz)	3	4	1	1	1
College Gent, blk g by Kentucky Patterson .....(Barnes)	2	2	2	2	2
Hal McKinney, b h by Hal B...(Sebastian)	1	1	4	3	3
Sirlain, r g by Earlain.....(Owens)	4	3	3	4	4

Time—2:16, 2:12, 2:13¼, 2:15, 2:14.

2:24 trot, purse $500:

El Bel Maden, br m by Almaden D.....(Ward)	1	1	1
Harry Onslow, b g by Onslow.....(Shields)	2	2	2
Dolly Dimple, b h by Red Almena.....(McVey)	3	3	4
Baroness Mac, br m by Baron Wilkes..(Rhodes)	4	4	3

Charley Marrs, dis.; The Orphan, dis.
Time—2:24½, 2:26, 2:25¼.

2:17 pace, purse $500:

Helen Chimes, br m by The Magnet(Owens)	2	4	2	3	3
*Jennie Fitzsimmons, b m by Bob Fitzsimmons .....(Dennis)	1	3	6	6	1
*Johnnye Mills, b g by Shade On...(Reeves)	3	2	1	5	6
Budweiser, b g by Roy Norval....(Wagner)	5	1	5	2	5

Van Sickle, 8-6-3-1-2; Allator, 4-5-4-4-4; Last Chance, 6-8-8-7-dr.; Redwood, 7-7-7-dr.
*Divided second and third money.
Time—2:17½, 2:17¼, 2:18, 2:19¼, 2:19½.

Frank Childs is piloting Our Colonel again but was just outside the money at Grand Rapids on getaway day.

Runners Hold the Boards at P.-P. I. E.

With a card of six races, having for its feature the Exposition handicap for three-year-olds and upward at one mile, thoroughbred racing comes back to California this afternoon, the day ushering in the twenty-five day meeting of the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association. Promptly at 2:15 the starters for the six furlongs will be called, and well in advance of that time it is the belief of the sponsors of the meet that the big grandstand will be housing a record breaking crowd. Ever since the thoroughbreds began coming in some days ago interest has increased steadily and the crowds of visitors that have been in evidence at the morning gallops and at the stables throughout the day speaks encouragingly for the prospect for a good attendance at the daily contests.

The program for today includes the following events: Six furlongs, three-year-olds and upwards, $400; four and a half furlongs, two-year-olds, $300; five furlongs, two-year-olds, $300; Exposition handicap, three-year-olds and upward, one mile, $1,000 added; six furlongs, three-year-olds and upward, $300, and mile and a sixteenth, three-year-olds and upward, $300. Good fields are provided for each race, and the handicap promises some especially interesting features. Twelve entries were made originally and probably eight or ten will accept the weights assigned. Owing to her recent performances with a good load up, Celesta will be called upon to shoulder the heaviest burden, 137 pounds, but the Wingfield crack looks amply able to carry it. She is an exceptionally pleasing type of the thoroughbred, and it is doubtful if there is a mare in the country today possessed of more of the qualifications of genuine greatness than this daughter of Sempronius and Rezia by Meddler. The Wingfield stable is the best money winner in the west this season, with a record of eighteen firsts out of twenty-five starts, and every member of the string brought over by Trainer George Strate is "up to something."

Californians are showing a lot of interest in the horses from El Palomar, President Clark's San Mateo establishment, of which there are nearly a dozen present that promise to figure in the fray to a considerable extent, and as Mr. Clark is the gentleman to whom the existence of this meeting is largely due, no one will begrudge victory to his entries.

John Berry, who brought up several head from Santa Anita, has his hands full with visitors who flock to his stalls to see famous old Rey el Santa Anita, now in his twenty-fourth year and looking like a youngster. A visit to him certainly recalls some stirring days, and he is sure of a warm reception this afternoon when, with others from the Baldwin rancho, he will be paraded before the stand between races.

While most of the three hundred odd thoroughbreds that are present shipped well and stood the change nicely, the horsemen now here were less fortunate in this respect than were the trotting horse trainers here in May and June, as several horses have been severely affected and one or two have died. General health is good, however, and all will be nicely acclimated before the meeting is far under way.

Six races will be staged daily with the exception of Sunday until September 18 if all goes well, the first event being called promptly at 2:15. Superintendent Maxwell after considerable difficulty has provided fair footing and on the long stretches some fast time should materialize. The entries for the seven feature events of the meeting are as follows:

Exposition handicap, August 21, for three-year-olds and upward at a mile, $1000 added by C. W. Clark—El Palomar Stable's Lovins; Nevada Stock Farm's Celesta, Star Shooter, Scarlet Oaks; John Lowe's Brynlimah; Charles L. Stephenson's Moddelle; Daniels & Hodge's John Graham, Loftus; California Stable's Rash; J. C. Ferriss' Alda; A. G. Dunlap's Stolen Ante; George W. Billerman's W. C. West; Tigue & Bussey's Be.

The Stewards' Cup, August 28, selling stakes, for three-year-olds and upwards, at seven furlongs, $1000 guaranteed—El Palomar Stable's Lovins; Charles L. Stephenson's Moddelle; Daniels & Hodge's John Graham, Loftus, Commissioner; J. C. Ferriss' Alda; A. G. Dunlap's Stolen Ante; Ramon Macias' Theodorita; J. W. Parker's Rey; J. W. Billerman's W. C. West; May Doyle's Finnigan; Charles Hawk's Louise Paul; Tigue & Bussey's Be, Seneca.

The President's Cup, September 4, handicap, for three-year-olds and upward, at a mile and a furlong, $1000 added and winner to be presented with cup donated by C. W. Clark—John Lowe's Brynlimah; Nevada Stock Farm's Celesta, Star Shooter, Star Bottle, Scarlet Oaks; Daniels & Hodge's John Graham, Loftus; California Stable's Rash; Frank Rinehart's Zoroaster; J. C. Ferriss' Alda, Rhodes; N. Jortall's Pro Realis; A. G. Dunlap's Stolen Ante; J. W. Parker's Rey; George W. Billerman's W. C. West; W. H. Tully's Executor; Tigue & Bussey's Be.

The Geraldine handicap, September 16, for three-year-olds and upward, at six furlongs, $1000 handicap—Daniels & Hodge's Loftus, Commissioner; El Palomar Stable's El Palomar, Lovins; Nevada Stock Farm's Scarlet Oaks, J. C. Ferriss' Magikon; T. Goulding's Paporita II; A. G. Dunlap's Stolen Ante; Ramon Macia's Theodorita; W. J. Dunn's Thistle Belle; Nevada Stable's Joe Hooker; Howard & McDonough's Eureka; T. O. Webber's Spring Valley; A. Neal's Domica; Tigue & Bussey's Seneca.

The Golden Gate handicap, September 9, for three-year-olds, at a mile and a quarter, $1500 guaranteed—W. H. Tully's Executor; Frank Rinehart's Zoroaster; California Stable's Rash; Nevada Stock Farm's Celesta. Star Shooter, Star Bottle; John Lowe's Brynlimah; Daniel & Hodge's John Graham, Loftus, Commissioner; J. C. Ferriss' Alda, Rhoades; Tigue & Bussey's Be; George W. Billerman's W. C. West; J. W. Parker's Rey; N. Jortall's Pro Realis; A. G. Dunlap's Stolen Ante.

The Juvenile handicap, September 11, for two-year-olds, at five furlongs, $500 guaranteed—Kinkead Live Stock Company's Syphone Boy; T. O. Webber's Cuyama; A. Neal's Cudihee; California Stable's Toastmaster; Nevada Stock Farm's Washoe Belle, Tze-Lsi, Mary Jay; El Palomar Stable's Aunt Sal, Frisky; Daniels & Hodge's Leah Cochran; J. C. Ferriss' Asama, Lola; A. F. Ross' Von Lady, Wheelation; Charles Stout's Spokane Queen, Early Wright's Schulenburg; T. B. Munford's Brooks.

San Francisco handicap, September 18, for three-year-olds and upward, at a mile, $1000 guaranteed—T. O. Webber's Spring Valley; Charles L. Stephenson's Moddelle; W. H. Tully's Executor; Frank Rinehart's Zoroaster; California Stable's Gano, Rash; Nevada Stock Farm's Celesta, Scarlet Oaks, Star Shooter, Star Bottle; John Lowe's Brynlimah; El Palomar Stable's El Palomar, Lovins; Daniels & Hodge's John Graham, Loftus, Commissioner; J. C. Ferriss' Alda, Rhodes, Makikon; Tigue & Bussey's Be; George W. Billerman's W. C. West; Nevada Stable's Joe Hooker; F. T. Shortell's Kootenay.

NORTHWESTERN NOTES.

Port Townsend, Wash.

While there will be no fair in Jefferson county this fall, it is just possible a little race meeting will be arranged. Chas. Williams has four horses in training at the track, which is in very fair condition.

Duroc Hal by Hal B. 2:04½ is owned by Sam McGee, the livery and auto man here. He is going good and will be started in the 2:18 pace at the Southwest Washington Fair at Centralia and at the Gray's Harbor county fair at Elma, Wash., the week following.

Duroc B., a three-year-old pacer by Duroc Hal, owned by J. W. Worthington, the hotel man of Chimacum, Wash., will start in the three-year-old pace at Centralia.

Lady Rozell by Romont, dam May Moon 2:13¼ by Baronzale, is a very nice three-year-old trotter, but will not race this year. She is bred to Burion, owned by A. J. Boyle of Seattle, the Larrabee-bred horse, sire of A. J. B. 2:17½.

J. M. Thomas has the good mare, Diavolo L. by Diablo, dam Lillian Langtry by Nephew. She is in foal by Duroc Hal and will not race. Thomas also has a green gelding by a son of Antrim that is a good prospect.

Peter Mansen has Lady Lou by Kinney Lou 2:07½. He is giving her regular work himself and she is going nicely with promise of much speed.

Seattle.

At the Madison Park track is more activity than one might expect to see. Four strings of harness horses and two men with runners are quartered there. Chas. Guion has Maud Bond, a three-year-old filly by The Bondsman, dam Nusta 2:18½ by Nushagak. She is a big, growthy filly and Guion does not believe she has come to herself yet, though she has a lot of speed and will be raced at least at Centralia and Elma. She is also paid up in three California futurities. He also has his own four-year-old, Gertie R. by Byron Corbett, dam Flaxie D. by Diablo.

Duke McManus has two of his own. Sea Waif is a green mare by The King Red, dam Sea Queen by Vice Regent. She is taking her work well and if she goes on will race in the $20,000 trot at San Francisco this fall, in which she is paid up. His other is Duke, a green five-year-old, Main Hero, and Floradoro Z. by Zombro. Both are entered all around the circuit and both are going sound.

C. W. Ray of Bellingham is here with Bonnie B. 2:17½ by Hal B., dam Almak, and a green seven-year-old trotter of uncertain breeding. Bonnie B. is entered at Centralia and Elma.

E. L. Henderson has the runners, Beauty and Goldie, and P. C. Pangborn has Susan F.

Most of the horses will leave for Centralia for a few days.

Baker, Ore.

Reports from Baker indicate that the county fair at that place will be by odds the best ever held. Notwithstanding general financial conditions the citizens of Baker county have met the issue and have put up more money for their fair than they ever have in the past. This has had the very natural result of stimulating the interest.

There has been hung up for harness races $3,400 with an additional sum for special local harness horse races, owners to drive. There will be five purses for runners, including the Baker Derby. Other races are a four-day relay, one for cowboys, one for cowgirls, one for girls and one for boys, restricted to ponies fourteen hands and under.

Baker business men are showing their loyalty, closing everything tight two days during the fair and enjoying the sports with the rest of the population.

The harness horses in the stables of Fidler, Wilbourne, Brady, Butches, McGoldrick and Steinman are all doing exceptionally well and are entered through the North Pacific Circuit. "What I have seen from the 'railbird stand' leads me to believe that some of the coast horsemen will think they have struck some real 'bear' when they meet here," writes Joseph Waddell, manager racing program.—Rural Spirit.

Montreal this week and next.

JOHN A. McKERRON TO RETIRE.

Readers of the Breeder and Sportsman will learn with regret that John A. McKerron has decided to close up his establishment and retire from the business with which he has so long and so successfully been identified, the manufacture of racing equipment of the very highest order and the vending of general horse and stable accessories of standard quality, Mr. McKerron having come to this conclusion as a result of the dearth of racing and training and the passing of the road horse, the present demand for equipment of the "McKerron" kind not being sufficient to justify the maintenance of his plant. The manufacturing end of the business has already been discontinued; no orders for new work will be received, and just as soon as cut prices clear the shelves and cabinets of the bulk of their contents the store on McAllister street will be closed and will remain so, until reopened by other parties for some other line of endeavor.

With the retirement of Mr. McKerron, the Pacific Coast states are left practically dependent upon factory made harness and boots, as there is no one in all this section who approaches him in the "finer parts" of the work of fitting and turning out work of this kind. That a set of harness or a pair of boots were "McKerron made" has for years stood as an unchallenged guarantee not only here but in other sections of the world where the local products have found their way, for the name stood for nothing save the best that could be built for the purpose for which it was intended. Some years ago Mr. McKerron could have sold the use of his name for a trademark for a tempting sum, but refused rather than risk the chance of inferior goods finding their way on the market bearing his device.

Just what his plans are is not yet known, but as soon as the store is closed, which is merely a matter of a few days, the first thing in order is a good long rest in the country. Whatever he does or wherever he goes, John McKerron takes with him the best wishes and deepest respect of scores and hundreds of people with whom he has had relations, business or social, during the thirty-nine years of his active career in San Francisco. Horsemen will miss him, and how much they will miss him they do not yet begin to realize.

MISPLACED CONFIDENCE.

For the greater period of the nearly quarter of a century which marks the identification of the writer with light harness horse affairs the Year Book was as "by day a cloud and by night a pillar of fire" in directing our groping steps to sources of correct information. It is pleasant to record the fact that during the most of this period our confidence was rarely misplaced and we found the official records, as a general thing, a mainstay and a "very present help in time of trouble." It is difficult to eradicate early impressions and shatter deep-rooted beliefs which have ripened into faith, but we must confess that the experiences of recent years have convinced us that there is no longer justification for our trust, and that the confidence which was once supreme is today "a house built upon the sands." We no longer turn with unquestioning faith to the book which still bears the name of Wallace, for we have found that it frequently bears false witness and holds out lights that mislead.

The foregoing is impelled by a discovery but for which we would have been led to impart some faulty information concerning one of the central figures in the racing at the recent Panama-Pacific Exposition meeting at the other coast. The concurrent testimony of all who have written of the winner of the $20,000 2:06 pace on the closing day agrees upon the sex as a mare, and she is even pictured in our California contemporary as the "racing queen of the Pacific Coast"; yet in the Year Book, in the table of 2:30 trotters and that of 2:25 pacers, in the index and in half a dozen other places, White Sox is described as a bay gelding. As there is nothing in the name to indicate the sex, we should have relied on the Year Book and have been led into error but for the aforesaid testimony of those who have seen White Sox and call her a mare. The matter might ordinarily be considered of trivial importance, but it is at least worthy of attention and justifies criticism when it involves a performer who has taken a trotting record of 2:13¼ and a pacing record of 2:06¼, besides earning the further distinction of winning a $20,000 purse.—Trotter and Pacer.

Loe Blossom, who ranks as the season's most sensational forenoon trotter, has been sold by Edward Peterson of Omaha to ex-Congressman McMillan of New York, Frank Childs turning her over to John Wall some days ago. John's luck for a starter was no better than Frank's, as she was behind the money in time much slower than she is easily capable of negotiating. All winter and spring she looked like the candy, but when taken by the neck she begins climbing in front and misbehaving in general. Wall's patron will give her a thorough trying out and if she absogoldarnlutely refuses to race she will be sent to the McMillan establishment and bred to Wilteen 2:12¼. The price paid has not been made public, but it is an everlasting cinch that it doesn't begin to approach the round ten thousand offered for her by Lon McDonald.

LAST DAY AT GRAND RAPIDS.

Grand Rapids, August 13—Getaway day here was devoid of feature events, the card being composed of three class races which were won in straight heats, two well backed favorites winning for Tommy Murphy while a third choice, Lelia Patchen, took the 2:06 pace. Ed Geers was distanced for the second time this week, so that all is not a bed of roses even in high society. The summary:

Grand Rapids, Aug. 13.—2:13 trot, purse $1,000:
Sadie S., b m by Archdale.....(Murphy) 1 1 1
Dick Watts, b h by Gen. Watts.....(Rodney) 2 2 2
F. A. L., b g by Anderson Wilkes.....(Gosnell) 4 3 4
Victor Star (Valentine), Blue Feather (Cox), Roy Miller (Grady), John Gwynne (Mott), Nowaday Girl (Lasell) also started.
Time—2:07¾, 2:07¾, 2:07¼.

2:09 pace, purse $1,000:
Major Ong, b g by Major Gantz.....(Murphy) 1 1 1
Bingen Pointer, b g by Bingen.....(Snow) 2 2 2
The Importer, b g by Inline B.....(Jones) 4 3 4
Little Director (Valentine), Budd Elliott (Geers), Clara Walker (Lasbury) also started.
Time—2:08¼, 2:08¼, 2:08½.

2:06 pace, purse $1,000:
Lelia Patchen, bl m by Dan's Brother.....(Snow) 1 1
Rastus, b g by Liberty Boy.....(McDonald) 2 2
Frank Patch, br h by The Patchen Boy.....(Cox) 3 4
Fay Richmond (Jones), Our Colonel (F. Childs), Ben Locanda (Murphy) also started.
Time—2:06¾, 2:05½.

WILLIAM REPORTED SOLD.

Eastern dispatches to the local dailies this week state that just prior to shipment from North Randall to Montreal Tuesday, the great pacer William 1:58½ passed from the ownership of A. E. VanAtta of Otterbein, Indiana, to that of C. K. G. Billings of Curl's Neck Farm, the price reported being $35,000. The dispatches state that both owner and trainer were reluctant to part with the colt champion even at that figure. There is a long line of intimate history connecting William and the Van Attas and Billy Marvin, and the reported sale is something of a surprise, though the price represents a figure in excess of his probable earning capacity as a race horse.

If William has been purchased by Mr. Billings, it is to be hoped that he will not be withdrawn from racing and his future operations confined to exhibitions, which is the usual case in such instances. Mr. Billings seldom races a horse, but the public wants to see the Indiana pacer given a chance to show his real quality, pitted against Directum I. or any others that appear. He is just entering what should be the years of his prime, the fifth and sixth, and the question of superiority in certain circles has not yet been definitely settled. Whether the horse is to remain in Marvin's hands or go to another trainer's is not yet known, but friends of all parties would like to see Marvin go on with him—as did Myron McHenry with Dan Patch when that great champion changed hands.

Billy Andrews had a buyer for William some weeks ago, and it is possible that he was acting for Mr. Billings at that time. In case the reported sale is a reality, Mr. Billings has departed from his usual custom of devoting his affections almost exclusively to the trotter, as he has never displayed great interest in the lateral gaited lads. If he has purchased William he has made an excellent selection and will have small grounds for regretting the action. Perhaps, under the Billings colors, we may get to see him this fall at the P.-P. I. E.

DEATH OF W. L. SPEARS.

W. L. Spears, one of the best known and most popular trotting horse breeders, died at Hickorywood Farm, near Lexington, Tuesday, after a long illness. Though he had been in a rather serious condition for some time past, it was not generally known and came as a surprise. Mr. Spears has never been a breeder on a large scale, but has owned a few mares all the time and has bred a large number of high class trotters. The star of these was probably the former champion three-year-old Colorado E. 2:04¾, at which time he also had the credit of breeding the champion two-year-old, Trampfast 2:12¼. Among the others that he bred was Susie Jay 2:06½, Ruth McGregor 2:08½, a good race mare; Thistle Doune 2:09¼, sold as a yearling for $7,500; Shakespeare (3) 2:09[3/4], trial 2:04[1/2], winner of the pacing futurity; Seraphina 2:16¼, that divided second, third and fourth moneys in the Kentucky Futurity the year it was won by Peter the Great; Peter McKlyo (3) 2:12¼, a fast California trotter; Mediumwood 2:13¼, a horse of 2:10 capability; Lakewood, Princewood 2:18½, Hickorywood (2) 2:29, all star trotters in their day.

The last good trotter to perform of his breeding is this season's crack half mile track trotter, Ima Jay 2:13¼, being raced by Harvey Ernest. Mr. Spears has been decreasing his stud for the past three or four years and sold the last of his mares in the February sale here. He owned at the time of his death but one trotter, a yearling filly by Colorado E. (3) 2:04[3/4], out of Minnie the Heiress 2:19¼, the dam of Ima Jay. During the past few years Mr. Spear was always thought of in connection with the fast trotter and good sire, Jay McGregor 2:07, a horse which he did not breed, but owned, and closely connected with many of the good trotters he bred.—Western Horseman.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

FUN DRIVERS BACK AT THE STADIUM.

Owing to the fact that the exposition track is loosened up for the runners, the members of the San Francisco-California Driving Club have gone back to the Stadium in Golden Gate Park for the holding of their weekly matinees, the fun commencing there tomorrow afternoon at an early hour. There will be some "strangers" in evidence in tomorrow's fields, a few horses making their first start of the season and several others reappearing after an absence of some weeks. The entries are as follows:

2:18 pace—Tom Murphy, E. T. Ayres; King Pointer, H. Campodonico; Emma M., William Malough; Victor Pointer, Dan Keating; Palitea, John Kramer.

Free-for-all trot—St. Patrick, J. J. Ryan; Ella M. R. (Geo. Machado); Miss San Francisco, Al Schwartz.

Free-for-all pace—Bradmont, G. J. Giannini; Mabel Dillon, B. Cohen; Dick W., A. Ottinger; Bondalean, Charley Silva.

2:15 pace—Hamburg Belle, J. Ginocchio; Senator H., Joe Kidd; Pointer Belle, Joe Kidd; Happy Dentist, J. J. Ryan; Jack McDonnell & Conlon; Zorankin, Frank Goularte.

2:25 mixed—Peaches, F. P. Lauterwasser; G. J. P., R. Consani; Ateka, B. Cohen; Cookey, Joe Vermet.

PEORIA, ILLINOIS.

Peoria, Ill. (half-mile track), Aug. 5—2:09 pace, purse $1,000:
Fred Russell, b g by Little Frank....(Hersey) 1 2 1 1
Tommy D., b g by Tommy the Irish Boy..
..... (Glasscock) 2 1 3 4
Joe Murphy, br g by Chambertin.....(Sanders) 3 3 2 2
Society Leader, br m by Dick Wilkes..(Smith) 5 4 4 3
Imbro, 4-5-dr.; Gipsey Margrave, and Black Ball, dis.
Time—2:08¼, 2:07¾, 2:09, 2:11½.

2:25 pace, purse $600:
Sayde Densmore, ch f (4) by Don Densmore....
..... (Thomas) 1 1 1
Madam Mack, br m by Expressive Mack.....
.....(C. DeRyder) 2 2 3
Billy Law, bl g by Law King.....(Squires) 4 3 2
Bob White, bl g by The Patchen Boy...(Wilson) 3 4 5
Justice B., 5-5-4; Canute, dis.
Time—2:09¼, 2:08¾, 2:08¼.

Three-year-old trot, purse $600:
Humfast, b f by Trampfast.....(Wishart) 1 1
Allie Watts, ch f by General Watts.....(Edman) 2 2
Jauntfast, b c by Trampfast.....(Weeks) 3 4
The Exposer, br c by The Exponent.....(Donahue) 4 3
The Index, 5-5.
Time—2:16¼, 2:13¼.

2:19 trot, purse $600:
Slip Past, b m by E. M. R.....(Taylor) 1 1 1
Colonel H., b g by Constenaro.....(Ganoung) 2 2 4
Eureka Thorn, b h by Jay McGregor.....(Grant) 4 3 2
Red Silk, b g by Silkwood.....(Breitenfield) 5 5 3
Celia Dillon, 3-8-8; The Jester, 6-4-6; Dr. Luster, 9-6-5; Maud Linton, 7-7-9; Betty Scott, 8-9-7.
Time—2:11¾, 2:15, 2:15.

2:11 trot, purse $1,000:
Princess Welcome, gr m by Lodaller.....
..... (McLaughlin) 1 1 5 1
Governor Mason, b h by Colonel Mason(Bagby) 2 2 1 2
Ham Patterson, br h Alfred G.....(Taylor) 3 3 2 3
Evelyn D., ch m by Sidney Dillon.....(Hall) 4 4 3 5
Dr. Armstrong, 6-5-4-4; Bertha Carey, 7-6-6-6; Henrietta, 5-dis.; Howell, dis.
Time—2:10¼, 2:10½, 2:11¼, 2:09½.

Aug. 6.—2:12 pace, purse $600:
Prince Verton, b h by Alverton.....(Taylor) 1 1 1
Dad Mix, b g by Robert Mix.....(Shuck) 2 2 4
Dicto, b g by Dictatus.....(W. DeRyder) 5 5 2
Gamma May, b m by Gambrel.....(King) 3 4 3
Tom King, 4-3-5; The Counterpart and Good News, dis.
Time—2:09¾, 2:10¼, 2:09¼.

2:15 pace, purse $1,000:
Baron Watts, ch g by General Watts (Anderson) 1 1 1
Willis Woodland, b h by Woodland Boy (Merrill) 3 2 3
Bessie R., br m by G. W. Sentell....(Milliman) 5 3 2
Alfreda, b m by Star Brook.....(Sweet) 2 4 4
Pearl Jones, 7-5-5; Hedgewood Lad, 4-dis.; Dexter M., 6-dis.; Kellerville Kid, 8-dr.; Grace Ongale and Don B., dis.
Time—2:08½, 2:07½, 2:11¾.

2:16 trot, purse $1,000:
Italian Aubrey, b h by Captain Aubrey Thomas) 1 1 1
Baron Bates, br h by Baron Wilkes Jr.(Chandler) 2 2 2
The Proof, br h by The Exponent.....(Donahue)11 7 2
Major K., ch g by Pangold.....(Smith) 3 3 3
Miss Perfection, 4-8-6; Blanche B., 7-4-7; Mawitza, 8-5-8; Alice Duryea, 9-11-5; Grand Chimes, 6-10-dis.; Santolida, 10-6-dis.; Baroness Parmelia, 5?9?dr.
Time—2:10½, 2:11½, 2:10¼.

Free-for-all pace, purse $700:
Walter Cochato, bl h by Cochato.....(Hersey) 5 1 1 1
Don Densmore, b h by Pactolus.....(Thomas) 1 3 3 4
Little Prince, b h by George Muscovite..(Bond) 2 2 4 2
Minnie Chimes, b m by Council Chimes(McVey)3 4 2 3
Time—2:07½, 2:04¾, 2:07½, 2:06¼

Aug. 7.—Three-year-old pace, purse $600:
Wanda, b f by Chambertin.....(W. Dunn) 1 1
Arkancello, b c by General Watts.....(Edman) 2 2
Directum J., blk c by Chambertin.....(S. Dunn) 3 4
Alex Merriman, br f by Merriman C.....(Harrison) 4 3
Ebenezer, 5-5.
Time—2:13¼, 2:14¾.

2:18 pace, purse $600:
Billy Law, blk g by Law King.....(Squires) 1 1 1
Madam Mac, br m by Expressive Mac(C. DeRyder 6 2 2
Constawitt, b h by Constenaro.....(McKeen) 2 3 4
Minnequa Princess, br m by Prince McKinney..
..... (Thomas) 3 5 5
Lady Goldmont, 5-6-dis.; Joe Amos, dis.
Time—2:07¾, 2:08¾, 2:09¾.

2:24 trot, purse $600:
Dette, blk m by The Director General..
..... (Milliman) 2 3 2 1 1 1
Mainlac, b h by Redlac.....(Smith) 3 1 1 5 6 2
Betty Scott, br m by E. S. E.(Ganoung) 7 8 6 2 3 ro
Geo. N. Patterson, blk c (3) by Bon Voyage .....(Rutherford) 4 7 7 4 2 ro
Lucile Togo, 6-5-4-3-4-ro.; Hazel Princeton, 8-4-3-6-5-ro.; Amorist, 5-6-5-dr.; Roan Boy, 1-2-dr.; Rala Hall, dis.
Time—2:11¼, 2:13¾, 2:13¾, 2:13¾, 2:16¾, 2:23.

2:09 trot, purse $600:
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney(W. DeRyder)6 1 1 1
Governor Mason, b h by Colonel Mason (Bagby) 1 2 2 2
Lucy Patchen, b m by The Patchen Boy(Taylor)2 6 6 5
Peter Pearl, b h by Peter the Great..(Wilson) 4 5 3 3
Miss Banner Feed, 3-4-4-6; The Comet, 5-3-5-4; Rose D., dis.
Time—2:11¼, 2:08½, 2:09, 2:11½.

NOTES and NEWS

William 1:58½,
Flower Direct 2:00¾,
Peter Volo (4) 2:02,
Lee Axworthy (4) 2:03¼,
And so on up the line!

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The Centralia-Chehalis fair is the attraction of the North Pacific circuit for next week, with some good sport anticipated.

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Russell Boy and Pop Geers evidently "had their troubles" at Montreal, as they failed to land in the money in the Queen Mary stake.

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And once again the thoroughbreds are in our midst! It seems like reading a page from a favorite old book to visit the grounds and see the morning exercise.

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Joe Carson is affording the boys down the Great Western circuit the opportunity to lay a wager or so when the spirit moves them to pursue the fickle goddess.

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Sadie S., who won the 2:13 trot at Grand Rapids in excellent style, was worse than a fire cracker with a short fuse at Montreal,—last in a field if six with the fastest heat in 2:09½.

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William and Directum I. were scheduled to meet at Montreal prior to the report of the sale of the former, and it is to be hoped that the race will go. The Canucks will get a real thrill of it does.

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Nearly forty-eight thousand dollars went through the pari-mutual machines last Saturday at Reno, with lots of people unable to get their money down owing to the crowd. Evidently Nevada folks rather like the system.

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Can you imagine the feelings that come to a man that finishes third in the M. and M. solely because he had previously sold the two horses that beat him? That was Walter Cox's predicament at Detroit the other day.

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That three-year-old John A. McKerron colt, Deroche, in Ed Geers' stable, must be a pretty fair kind of a youngster, as at Montreal Thursday he was 2-1-1-2-2 in a field of aged horses in time from 2:09½ to 2:11¼.

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There will be a draft horse show at Rio Vista on Thursday, Sept. 9, cash prizes being offered for a very wide range of classes. Entries close on Wednesday, September 1, and all particulars may be obtained from Dr. A. F. Hanna, Rio Vista, who is the secretary of the organization back of the exhibition.

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Flower Direct and Braden Direct were to have gone to the mat last Monday at North Randall for a thousand dollars a side, but for some reason the match failed to materialize. Anyway, five heats in the average time of 2:01 3-5 furnished fair entertainment for one day.

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The premium list for the Fresno fair is out and its offerings cover the ground fully in all departments save that devoted to light harness speed contests—the same being conspicuous by its absence. Intending exhibitors may obtain copies of the catalog by addressing the secretary or other officers of the association. Our bet is that they will eventually welcome the horse races back with open arms.

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John A. McKerron is going out of business and closing out his stock at almost any kind of figures—figures that are ridiculously low when the cost and quality of the offerings is considered. Articles of most general use are being snapped up pretty rapidly, and wise horsemen will make it a point to drop in at the store at 122 McAllister street at once and pick out genuine bargains in things that are in daily use in and around their stables. The store will be open but a few days longer.

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A dispatch from Santa Ana states that Fritz Schultz, owner of the blind racing horse Aladdin, and between-times upholsterer, has hurled his hat into the ring, and challenges Ralph Fuller's Pelee, or Hershel Johnson's Strathmore Jr. to a race for any amount, any distance, from one jump to 100 miles, any day or night on the Santa Ana track. The usual one-mile distance is preferred. "Fritz" is not alone in his belief that his horse can trip either of the two other critters, and when the event is pulled off no doubt a large crowd will be attracted to the home track. It is too bad that Zulu Belle has gone east, as she might be included in the "one jump" event, providing the other contestants wear the straps, as her former owner, one Adolph Ottinger of this city, offered to match her at this style of contest against any horse in the world for anything from a pretzel to ten thousand bucks. At the P.-P. I. E. track she cleared two four by eights eight feet apart without an effort or a misstep in her panties.

The Fasig-Tipton Company announces November 22 to 27 as the dates for the Old Glory auction in Madison Square Garden this fall, and looks forward to a healthy market for the right kind of material at that time.

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The Sonoma County Driving Club is holding a record meeting today and there will be some additions to the standard list as a result thereof. Next Sunday the members of the same organization will probably put on a matinee at the Santa Rosa track.

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The new track at Omaha is a few seconds slow but the meeting early this month was a success in every way. Age will improve the going, and the association promises constant improvements along other lines in connection with the plant, so Omaha is probably back on the map to stay.

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One of the best races of the season for the class was the 2:13 trot last Friday at Grand Rapids. Sadie S. by Archdale took the event in straight heats for Tommy Murphy, going the three miles in 2:07¾, 2:07¾ and 2:07¼, with Dick Watts second right through the race.

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Light harness horsemen have long found J. David West's establishment at 1265-67 Golden Gate avenue a good place to trade, and owners or trainers of thoroughbred stables will have the same experience if they pay it a visit. All kinds of "tack," accessories and veterinary remedies are always on hand.

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Hal Boy and Judge Ormonde had another hot battle at Montreal on opening day in the big pace, the Columbus horse again having the best of the summary, though Hal Boy lasted the longest. Marvin is always trying and will yet put one over on the eastern bunch with the game little Hal B. gelding.

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We have Budd Doble's word for it that the brood mare Bonnie Ailse 2:08½ and her two Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼ foals advertised for sale by F. D. Myers are right in every way. They are at Hemet Stock Farm and are worth a whole lot more than the four hundred dollars asked for the three.

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M. L. Woy was in town from Fresno during the week and reports that his three-year-old trotting filly Florence B. by Bon Voyage 2:08, out of Loma B. (dam of Albaloma 2:08¼) by Stam B., is working very nicely for Charley Clark. Schuyler Walton also has some futurity candidates he is working on, but affairs in general at the Fresno oval are quiet.

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Entries close Monday for the eighteen open events at the Indiana state fair, the purse in each instance being one thousand dollars, the classes ranging from 2:03 to 2:25 for pacers and 2:08 to 2:25 for trotters. Secretary Downing inaugurated a straight three per cent basis for entry fees and a generous patronage is assured in return.

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Charley DeRyder drove two horses to second money in their starts Wednesday at Galesburg, Bertha Carey in the 2:14 trot and The Proof in the 2:20 trot. If Charley's program is arranged so that he can continue to drive the Keefer & Spencer trotter you may look for them to head the summary any day, as they are beginning to get acquainted nicely.

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The popularity of the horse in New England is well attested by the program of the Marshfield Fair Horse Show, to be held August 26 in connection with the Marshfield, Mass., fair. Thirty-one classes are included, a silver cup being awarded the winner of each class. Thomas W. Lawson is president of the association, and the horse show is in the capable hands of A. W. Davis, one of the old time eastern horsemen who has numerous acquaintances and friends here on the other side of the continent.

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Who do you suppose is occupying a comfortable stall out at the exposition stables? Nobody but good old Rey el Santa Anita! Over a score of years have passed since he made his first bow to the public, but Pappy Time—and the owners—have dealt kindly by him and he is in excellent condition. He is by long odds the most frequently visited horse on the grounds, for if an opposition candidate for governor could rally to his support as many voters as Rey el Santa Anita has friends in this world, Hi Johnson et al. would think a tidal wave had landed them in Galveston.

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C. B. Wood, formerly secretary of the Arizona State Fair, arrived in San Francisco with his family last Friday for a visit of several days' duration at the exposition. While the change in climate is fairly noticeable, Phoenix folks became accustomed to a considerable amount of moisture during the fall and winter just passed, so the Woods party has not suffered greatly from the fog and ocean breezes. While "C. B." is no longer officially connected with the Arizona fair and devotes his time almost entirely to looking after the welfare of Uncle Samuels' postal service at Phoenix, he is as ardent a racing fan as ever and is taking much interest in this year's big show, which has been dated to follow the fall meeting at the P.-P. I. E. in order that visiting horsemen may drop off and round up a few more bags of oats for winter. The home track, as usual, is in first-class shape and Arizona horsemen have quite a number of good ones in training there.

C. W. Bowers of the firm of Ruby & Bowers of Davis is hard at work assembling and fitting a great band of draft horses for exhibition at the fall show at the exposition. The big boys and girls composing the lot are as good as they make 'em and will go into the show ring with everything in favor of their annexing a number of ribbons. Business with Ruby & Bowers is good—so good that a new barn will probably be necessary in the near future to take care of it.

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Starter C. D. Stevens was among the early arrivals from Reno, and every morning has found him at the track patiently working with the green ones and the bad actors, of which there are always a certain number in evidence at every race track. Stevens, who answers more readily to the "stable name" of "Squint" than he does to the more formal appellation of "Mister," is one of the younger generation of horsemen that is rapidly making a name for himself in his own particular line. His services at Reno made him a lot of friends and he is dated ahead for some time after his local engagement comes to an end.

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Charley DeRyder bought himself a new trotter down in Illinois a few days ago, the Kansas-bred stallion Governor Mason by Colonel Mason, out of Allena B. by Ontoneo. Joe Markey, in his Peoria letter to the Review, speaks very kindly of the Governor, as follows: "Governor Mason 2:10¼ wasn't the best trotter that I observed here, but I fell in love with the bay stallion, just the same. He raced in the 2:11 trot on Thursday and with a day's rest came back in the 2:09 trot on Saturday; on both occasions, while being a trifle outclassed, first by Princess Welcome 2:07¾, and next by the $20,000 stake winner at the Panama-Pacific Exposition, Spriggan 2:08¼, he defeated them a heat and had them stepping all the while. The Governor is a natty little fellow of the Morgan type, carries himself with an airy, buoyant way, has a lot of action, and if he were taken in hand by a show horse fitter, would be a blue ribbon winner. He is eleven years old but doesn't show much effect as the result of his numerous campaigns. His owner-driver, J. L. Bagby of Topeka, Kan., is in ill health, being quite weak, but to the stallion this appears to be no handicap. He just digs in and tries all the while, and when being outstepped, makes a riffle and never loses an inch of ground. He hugs the turns like an ardent lover does his sweetheart, and it's a real pleasure to see him out there on the track displaying every evidence of being wholly in love with and entirely absorbed by his occupation. He beat 2:10 in the fourth heat of his first race and I am told that he can turn a like trick over a good half-mile track."

GRAND CIRCUIT SHIFTS TO MONTREAL.

Montreal, Aug. 19—The Grand Circuit campaigners had a breathing spell here this week owing to a cause other than rain, racing not commencing until today. Under the provincial restrictions on race meetings only three days a week with betting are allowed, the local meeting being arranged to include the limit for two weeks.

The track at Dorval Park was in good condition and while the time was not sensational it was highly creditable and the contests were well received. Hal S. paraded for three straight in the opening event, going each mile in 2:08 or better, driven out in the first heat by Thistle Patch and in the others by Camelia.

The hot race of the day was the Queen Mary stake for 2:06 pacers, in which most of the Grand Circuit headliners made an appearance. Baron A. from the Cox stable took the first heat handily, after which Hal Boy and Marvin Childs grabbed one in time just a bit faster, with Judge Ormonde and Charley Valentine hard after them. Valentine had the black horse ready for the third and lined out the mile in 2:04½, the Boy getting in difficulties and finishing last. The next heat also went to the Judge, Childs being handicapped by his position in the score, but the Boy came back strong in the fifth and trimmed the bunch in 2:06½. Russell Boy, well supported by the investing public, failed to figure.

The 2:14 trot also went the limit and was won by Todd Temple after a hard struggle with Pop Geers' three-year-old trotter, Deroche. Loe Blossom went only a fair race for John Wall, while Sadie S., a brilliant winner at Grand Rapids, threw her friends down hard. The summary:

Montreal, Aug. 19.—2:13 pace, purse $1,000:

Hal S., ro h by Hal Chaffin.....(Murphy)	1	1	1	
Camelia, br m by Cummer.....(Cox)	3	2	2	
Thistle Patch, bl g by Joe Patchen.....(Snow)	2	3	4	

Patrick M. (Stokes), Hal Connor (Geers) also started.
Time—2:07¾, 2:07¾, 2:08.

The Queen Mary, 2:06 pace, purse $5,000:

Judge Ormonde, bl h by Ormonde(Valentine)	7	2	1	1	4
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.....(M. Childs)	6	1	8	5	1
Baron A., b h by Baron Medium.....(Cox)	1	8	6	3	3

Lelia Patchen (Snow), Rastus (McDonald), Russell Boy (Geers), Peter Farren (Murphy), Lustrous McKinney (Rodney) also started.
Time—2:06¾, 2:06, 2:04½, 2:06, 2:06½.

2:14 trot, purse $1,000:

Todd Temple, br g by Todd Mac.....(Snow)	1	2	3	1	1
Deroche, ch c (3) by John A. McKerron.... ..... (Geers)	2	1	1	2	2
Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide.....(Wall)	3	5	2	3	3

Todd McGregor (Rodney), Blue Feather (Cox), Sadie S. (Murphy) also started.
Time—2:09½, 2:11½, 2:11¼, 2:09½, 2:09½.

HOW TO BECOME A PROGRAMMER.

Manager The Horseman's Correspondence School: Have just secured the program privilege for a race meeting and not having done anything stronger before than grafting my meals and bed, am rusty on what a good programmer should do. Would you give me any tips? Yours, L. ALLTIME.

We are sorry to hear that you have given up your old profession and gone to real work, because you have selected something that will keep you hustling all the time until the race meeting is over and you must not be too careful on how you get the money, either, because many of the best programmers, whether soliciting ads. or selling the programs, take advantage of getting all the money they can without being particular as to the means. Of course there are some comebacks at times, but if you have any nobody will be hurt.

You do not say in your letter whether you intend selling the programs yourself or intend having a boy to do it, and therefore we will endeavor to explain how the average man gets the money on both jobs, so that you need not worry about any money getting away from you, through your own carelessness.

When you are ready to start out to solicit your advertisements, prepare a dummy program from blank paper, about the size you think you will need, then go to some printer in the town where the races are to be held and get his estimates on how much he will print them for. Give this printer a line of talk, about how much business you have already secured, make him think you are a great man in the business and he will think so much of you that you can get credit until the end of the race meeting.

After this is off your mind, then your hard work commences to induce the merchants in the town to come across with advertising. Tackle all the hotels first and as an argument, tell them that you can get all the horsemen to stop there if they will advertise in your program, and the chances are good that they will fall for it. Of course you must not tell one hotelkeeper that you promised his rival the same thing. Take no chances; all the hotel men in town are not friends. Now take cigar dealers next and promise them that their exclusive brands only will be sold at the meeting, in fact while you are at it, make arrangements to sell some yourself, along with your boys. This can easily be done after the sale of the programs ends each day, as you will have lots of time on your hands and if you can handle a few cigars, which you must get on credit, you will have that much more money at the end of the week.

If there are any breweries in town get them to advertise and be sure to get all saloonkeepers to have an ad. on your program. Then tackle gents' furnishing stores and any other small stores, as you will find it hard sledding to get ads. from large stores, if there are any in the town your are "working." By no means ask any of the officials of the racing association, if they are in business, for an ad., and the reasons for this we show you later.

Now that you have combed the town and secured all the ads. you can get, turn the copy over to the printer and let him get to work and have the ads. ready when you turn in each day's program. Many programmers take the entire entry list and print all horses named on it; this allows you to get all the programs out for the entire week and although there may be many scratches each day, you should not worry, because the association should make all entered horses start. The association may kick at such a program and insist that you go around the night before each racing day and get the starters for next day. Then it is for you to speak up and say: "I never heard of such a thing and it was not in my agreement." This may stall them off until the end of the meeting.

Your copy is now in the hands of the printer and you have a few days of idleness on your hands, but you can kill this time by taking your list of advertisers, make out your bills and then visit each one and offer them a discount on the former price if they will pay you at once. To save a few dollars many of them will jump at the chance, that is, unless they have been worked before. Put some very strenuous work in on this, as it is ready money and makes you safe on the deal. Some few may turn you down, but do not worry about this, you will get yours. But you can go back at these delinquents as soon as the printer gives you a sample copy and then demand payment and this generally gets them, unless they had no intention of paying in the first place. If the printer seems to treat you a trifle distant, slip him a ten spot on account; this will make him think you are all right and it will boost you.

Well, we are ready for the first day's race now, and you must make preparations to sell your programs. By inquiring around you can easily find out about how many were sold the year before and then order a hundred or so less than this number. In the meantime get hold of a bunch of entry lists from the secretary, the more the better, and preserve them carefully. To sell your programs right and not to have too many boys on your staff to watch, get green boys who have never worked at the job before; they are less liable to steal from you than the experienced boys, and will turn over all they get.

The best idea is to sell programs yourself and pick out the best selling point for your own work. Make a lot of noise and approach every customer with a rush, this throws them off their guard and you can easily short-change them. If some one finds out you have not given them enough change and calls you, do not put up any argument, but excuse yourself and give them the right change, this allays suspicions and makes it look like a mistake, but better still, this style of treatment does not draw others' attention to the fact and put them on their guard.

After all your programs have been sold and you have short-changed everybody you could, there may be some calls for more programs and a howl go up that you did not print enough. This is when your chance comes to use those entry lists which you got from the secretary, with some smooth talk about wanting to help them out, you can sell them an entry list for the same price as the programs and at the same time tell these customers that it is the program for the entire week and will save them from buying one next day. This soft stuff generally works and you get a lot of extra dimes. If you should happen to have any programs left any one day, save them and there may be a chance to sell them on the last day and at the same time ordering less of that day's program from your printer.

During morning hours while the race meeting is on, you can go after any delinquent advertisers and by the time the last day arrives you should have them pretty well cleaned up. By this time also the secretary of the association may want his share of the money for renting you the privilege. Tell him you have only collected a little and you gave that to the printer, but you would do your collecting tomorrow and see him at noon. This will hold him for awhile, but your cue is to take a train out of town about 4 o'clock of the afternoon of the last day's racing, having moved your suitcase to the station in the morning and it is waiting your arrival. The landlord of the house where you are living it not suspicious about your taking out the suitcase, because he has seen it with you every morning and thinks it contains programs.

You have now made a clean getaway and should have a nice bank-roll and the only people who are mourning your departure are the printer and secretary. The former has ten dollars to solace himself with and the secretary has had experience. But be careful and leave that part of the country alone for awhile. "Oh! for the life of a programmer, not."—W. H. Shields, in The Horseman.

TAKING HORSES TO WAR.

I arrived in Galveston, Texas with the United States troops after the evacuation of Vera Cruz. The talk of the European war was increased by reason of the great numbers of horses being shipped from that port to Europe. Many governments not yet in the struggle were exporting animals from Galveston, Greece perhaps leading this division. I met a number of Greek army officers, who were all clean-cut, well-posted men. The younger ones had received military training in both Germany and England. I was surprised at the large number of fine horses they bought, especially after looking at some New United States remounts the previous day at Fort Crockett. The Greeks, not yet at war, exercised more judgment in the selection of their animals. They rested their horses at Galveston and subjected them to the mallein test for determination of glanders. The new horses do not stable or drink out of the same fountain with the tested horses until they too are known to be free from this disease.

Several days later I was in New Orleans, from which the French and English were shipping army mounts as fast as they could procure ships. The English were shipping great numbers of mules. They had learned the value of the army mule in the Boer war. The mule is comparatively new to the French as a war animal, and they use them chiefly as the United States does, for transportation purposes. It is often said that a mule will not "stand fire." This is not true. The 4th Field Artillery, U. S. A., a mountain battery, is conveyed on mules. When a stop is made the guns carried on the mules' hacks are assembled and the mules herded a little in the rear, where they stand the noise as well as the men. Mules are not so fast as horses to draw regular field artillery into action, but the English use them for this work in South Africa.

It would be interesting to know the number of horses and mules sent to the war since last summer. Their source is almost a mystery. They are not buying as good a class of horses now as they were last fall and winter, because there is a scarcity. Army horses are purchased in two ways: first by a purchasing board of army officers, so that when a horse passes the board's veterinarian he belongs to that government; secondly, capitalists purchase from farmers or dealers under veterinary examination and take the chances of a few rejections when they arrive in France or England. Very few are rejected, however, as they need lots of horses to carry on war. One thing that lots of English officers "fall for" is a "bishoped" mouth. This is a method devised by one Bishop, an Englishman, and consists in an attempt to lessen a horse's apparent age by changing the looks of his teeth.

In New Orleans I met a Londoner who was furnishing money to buy horses for the French. He had a large number at Memphis ready to come down and take ship. It was arranged that I go in charge of these horses and we were to be carried by the horse transport Rembrandt of Liverpool. This ship on her previous trip from Baltimore had started to burn at sea the third night out. She was headed back to Newport News, the nearest port, and it was only after she was in port some hours that the fire was extinguished. She was sent outside of port again and three days were spent casting dead horses over board. A number died later from pneumonia due to the smoke, making the total more than 500 dead. The officers had all kinds of evidence that the fire was of incendiary origin and knew that horses were being poisoned the first day out.

No chances were taken on our trip. Two watch men were on duty day and night and the crew all carried passes signed by the captain. The hay and grain were watched from the time they left the warehouses until placed in the ship. About this time a man was arrested for planting a bomb in an English cotton ship and all the English captains were nervous. After several visits to the French consul we got our horses down from Memphis. These visits to the consul were made impressive by a great demonstration of stealth and a painful sense of quiet. We had a few less than 1,200 horses, a few having died on the train. They were loaded from the train to the ship by means of two bridges, which took about eight hours. Those who should know told me it was the best load of horses ever to leave New Orleans, and this port had sent many horses in previous wars. I have in my possession a grand letter of recommendation from the commandant of cavalry who received these horses in France. Several times while they were being unloaded this man turned to me and said, "Your horses are beautiful."

We left port with a physician, veterinarian, three foremen of hostlers and eighty-odd hostlers, in addition to the regular crew. A ship leaving an American port with fifty or more Americans must carry a physician to comply with United States maritime law. All these big horse transports carry deck loads. A shed is built all around the top and in this way a large number of extra horses is cerried. Last winter a number of horses died of exposure on the top decks, while some in the body of the ships near the boilers sweltered with the heat. Our horses cost around $200 a head and were insured by Lloyds of London. It cost $71 a head to carry them from New Orleans to France. The horse transports do not ply on troubled waters for fun. The stalls are just large enough to admit a horse. They cannot lie down in the stalls. When one falls exhausted, due to the long continued standing, the front of the stall is unbolted and he is dragged out in front in the clear. A number of our horses were coming down with influenza or pinkeye when they arrived in New Orleans, but I was requested to take them all. After the second week the whole load was infected with it. We kept into the South Atlantic as long as we could on account of the sick horses and were lucky in losing only 53. When these were cast overboard they sank like lead, because the fluid in their diseased lungs increased their specific gravity.

During the first week out we fed only hay. After we struck rough weather and the ship started to roll we fed grain. The rolling of the ship gives the horses a little exercise which facilitates digestion. We had no digestive disorders among the horses on account of our system of feeding. We carried two wireless men but they only listened, and we covered our lights as night. Horses are contraband as much as guns or ammunition, and we were carrying the English flag. One of the wireless men was a nervous wreck before we got to France and had to be sent to his home in England. Several times we were picked up by a French cruiser and convoyed by her. After we got into the Bay of Biscay we heard we were to discharge our horses at St. Nazaire at the mouth of the River Loire in North France. Running toward Belle Isle, we suddenly saw a great blur ahead of us; we could not determine just what it was, even with glasses, until almost upon it. It was an English battleship fleet. Many were super-dreadnaughts.

We got in to the harbor of St. Nazaire before 4 o'clock in the afternoon. A war law prevents ships entering after that hour. We had to lie in the harbor two days waiting for a dock, making a total of 23 days the horses were on the water. There were 7,000 horses in this little port that had come recently. The latest figures of our quartermaster-general give us a total of 25,000 horses and mules in the United States army. The first to meet us was the cutter of the marine police, manned by old men. They locked and sealed our wireless room and the customs officers confiscated for the time our matches with other things. Matches are heavily war-taxed in France and there is a severe penalty for using any but native matches.

There is a great absence of young men in the French cities, except the wounded, and they are anxious to get back to the front. All kinds of manual work are being performed by women; in Bordeaux they are operating the street cars. The German prisoners got ready the bridges for unloading the horses. French soldiers went aboard and led off the horses, turning them over to the prisoners. It was seen that the Germans were not allowed close to the ships.

There is a Purple Cross Society for horses having for its object the alleviation of suffering. It is like the Red Cross for men. Horses injured beyond surgical aid are shot. Others are sent to field or base hospitals. Many of the wounds are multiple, due to the common use of shrapnel. Many horses are seriously injured in the feet from going at speed through wrecked towns and cities and encountering nails. Horses condemned as army mounts after injury are sold to farmers and make good farm animals.—W. J. Ratigan, V. S., Breeders' Gazette.

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NORTHERN PACIFIC GUIDE BOOK.

Uncle Sam has spent some thousands of dollars in preparing a series of transcontinental guidebooks, telling the traveler of many of the wonders of the West which he sees from the car windows and concerning which he asks questions that none of his companions can fully answer. The Northern Pacific Guidebook, one of this series, has just been published by the United States Geological Survey as Bulletin 611, and it is Secretary Lane's hope that this popularly written book may get into the hands of the greatest possible number of travelers. This volume, like the other three of the series, is to be sold by the Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C., at $1 a copy. The book is in no sense a purely geologic publication, although the geology of the route is described in terms that can be readily understood by the layman. The mountains, plains, river valleys, and rocks that are seen from the car window as apparently unrelated items in the landscape are described as parts of an orderly procession, and the story of their birth and growth is so simply told as to interest the most indifferent reader.

To present to the traveler the record of the country through which he is passing, as he reads, the book therefore not only describes what is to be seen but recalls events, both human and geologic, that compel the reader's interest. In considering a great semi-arid cattle range, standing today thousands of feet above sea level, for instance, the text presents a brief picture of the prehistoric age when this part of the United States was an inland sea or a vast swamp, whose low-lying shores and islands were covered with dense semi-tropical vegetation and teemed with huge beasts and strange reptiles, long ago extinct. Later the region swarmed with buffaloes and Indians; then came the hardy American pioneer, and now, as related in the Guidebook, its inhabitants are engaged in developing its resources and industries and the mineral wealth that lies hidden beneath its surface.

The Northern Pacific Guidebook includes 212 pages and contains 27 reproductions of photographs, 38 text illustrations, and 27 topographic maps covering the entire route, which have been prepared with a degree of accuracy never before attempted in a gidebook.

The information given in this guidebook should afford the traveler a most excellent comprehension of the country traversed. As has been well stated, to the average traveler a trip from the Mississippi Valley to the Pacific Coast means at its end only a jumble of impressive scenery; with vast deserts and lofty mountains, and here and there some unusual feature, generally scenic, standing out from the mass and making a permanent impression on his memory. If, however, the traveler has provided himself with one of the Geological Survey's guidebooks, the interest of his trip and the information he gains is immensely increased.

WILD BIRD GUESTS.

It is admitted by all authorities that the author, Harold Bayne, has achieved greater success in his field than has any one else in this country, perhaps in the world, if we except the great German bird-lover, Baron Hans von Berlepsch. Even this wizard never succeeded in getting on the terms of personal intimacy with his shy neighbors which characterizes Mr. Baynes' work.

Although the primary object of the book is to assist bird-lovers to attract to their gardens and orchards and woodlands the birds they love, it has a much wider scope. It not only shows the actual necessity of doing such work as a means of creating sentiment in favor of bird protection, but points out in a simple entertaining way, the economic, æsthetic and moral reasons why it is to the interest of every community to have the birds protected.

The chapter on bird clubs is absolutely unique. Mr. Baynes has the reputation of never having failed to start a bird club in any town where he has made the attempt. From his experience in the organization of scores of such clubs all over the country, he has been able to give minute instructions which will enable the reader to organize a bird club almost anywhere.

The list of trees and shrubs and creepers which are attractive to birds is the most complete ever published, and its value is greatly enhanced by the fact that the fruiting seasons are given, and also by the fact that the comparative value of each plant is indicated, making it easy for those desiring only a few to select the very best.

The author's wide experience as a lecturer and as an organizer of bird clubs has made him very familiar with most of the problems which confront the beginner, and he has thoughtfully devoted a whole chapter to helpful suggestions for the solutions of those problems. The reader is told in a friendly, sympathetic way how to attain success without experiencing the discouraging failures which so often check the enthusiasm of those desiring to do something for the birds. E. P. Dutton & Co., N. Y.

SOCIETY TURNS TO HOUNDS.

Did it ever occur to you that the width of your skirt and the line of your dress had anything to do with the faithful quadruped on the end of the leash? That he should expand and contract with the whim of Fashion sems almost inhuman, but such is the case. When skirts are tight, dogs are small; but no sooner is fulness introduced in the mode than society finds excuses for buying long-legged, lithe canines that suit their clothes.

Today is the day of the hound. Dispose of your terrier and bull, and acquire a greyhound or one of the guaranteed-to-protect police dogs; that is, if you have an odd thousand or two which is not working overtime in the stock market. It is quite the smart thing to do. All the matrons on Long Island have forsaken bridge to bring up pups into perfect specimens of American doghood, and prices for special species soar beyond the reach of the mere lover of dogs. These canines, bred through generations to perfect obedience and alert watchfulness, bring fabulous prices. One police dog, imported from the other side, was recently purchased by a certain Miss Fisher, prominent in New York society, for the tidy sum of ten thousand dollars; but then, this dog has passed the test of regular duty and is perfectly capable of running down the huskiest of desperadoes. Dogs trained for home duties are much more modest in price. Oftentimes a bargain, especially in the younger dogs, can be picked up in three figures.

So devoted are the younger set to their pets, they are bringing them into town with them. Many smart dogs are to be seen on the avenue. It is interesting to note the divided favor between the greyhound and the police dog. Possibly it is because the greyhound is so picturesque that some women, especially the slender, choose this breed. One girl, who lives in the millionaires' row on the upper end of Fifth avenue, takes "Jeff" out for exercise herself when she is in town. I met her in front of the library the other morning. Whether she dressed with "Jeff" in mind, or whether her gray serge skirt was happenstance, I do not know; but certainly, the costume and the dog brought out the best points in her personality. Her dark blue eyes and blue-black hair were intensified by the contrast with the gray. The skirt was one of the new Princess styles in gray serge, edged with blue and trimmed with braid. This had the new suspender straps and was worn with a blouse of sheer, transparent Swiss, cut on simple lines, the fabric being its charm. The hat, too, was in the same shade of gray, one of the new taffeta turbans, with a tulle band to shade the eyes, that Jeanne Lanvin brought out in the early season. The whole tended toward long lines, and the greyhound fitted in admirably well with the costume.

Out on the large estates on Long Island the greyhound and police dog are put to real service. Mrs. Butler Duncan, formerly Mrs. James Kernochan, was one of the first women of prominence to bring the police dog to America. Her "Peter" was soon the pride of Long Island, for he gummed the game of a dark individual who had his mind fixed on Mrs. Duncan's prize poultry. Now there are other Peters on other estates. These dogs are trained to watch the autos, the buildings, the sheep, in fact, all the property of the owners. So invaluable have the dogs become that the owners bring them along with them when they change from country to town, or from town to country. A young matron who has an estate just across country from the Duncans has a half-grown police dog for a boon companion.

Wherever she goes, the dog is with her—in the country, trotting serenely beside her horse, and in town, well knowing the dignity of his position, tugging at the end of a leather leash. This fad of taking your dog out on the Avenue is growing. I saw the woman mentioned above, the other day, striding along behind her husky Pat. She was smartly gowned, but there was nothing that would attract attention other than the dog. Her dress was a linen Princess in coat style, cut short enough to show her striped stocking that matched her collar. Her hat had a dark blue satin brim fastened well upon a straw bead pin. The whole costume was simple. She was out to enjoy a walk with her dog, and her skirt was amply wide, thanks to Fashion, so that she could keep up with the sturdy Patrick.

It would seem, the wider and more extreme they have their skirts the larger is their dog. And Fashion says hoop skirts are returning. What, then, are we to expect in dogs? Fancy the Four Hundred with great Danes for pets!

Airedale Shows.—Russell H. Johnson, of Chestnut Hill, Pa., will judge the annual specialty show held by the Airedale Terrier Club of America, which takes place in New York November 27, while the judge for the annual show of the Philadelphia Airedale Terrier Club, held in Philadelphia, November 20, will be Theodore Offerman of Brooklyn.

FLY-TYING FOR BEGINNERS.

Most people are under the impression that fly-tying is a long and tedious business, which takes ages to learn; but that is not quite correct. Anybody with normally adaptable hands can learn in a very few hours, and after a couple of dozen flies have been made, most of the seeming difficulties will have vanished out of sight. Possibly a sister angler might acquire the art more quickly still—of that I am not sure; but certain it is that the fisherman who can tie flies for himself will never suffer from two disadvantages; he will not run short of the pattern which the trout are taking, because he can easily make others; and if some insect unlike any in his fly-box happens to be coming down, he has merely to halt for a few moments, and copy it straight away at the waterside without any reservation. I assert confidently that the pleasure of catching a fish is trebled if you have tied the fly yourself. I could say more here, but perhaps if these flies are to be ready by the beginning of next season, it will be well to go directly into details as my correspondent has it right now, writes "Iron Blue" in the Christ Church Express.

The necessary tools are neither expensive nor numerous, and the most costly item is a small vise. For this one may pay anything up to a pound or more, but there is an alternative plan which answers equally well. A couple of the two smallest sizes of a watchmaker's vise can be bought for about a dollar each at a hardware store. The larger of the two is treated as follows: Get a nice foot-square block of wood, which will do to stand on a table, bore a deep hole in it, and drive the vise firmly into this; the smaller vise is for holding a fly when one is out by the river. Two or three pairs of "Archer" clips or pliers are useful as weights, to hold down a strand of silk and prevent it from slipping, when it is necessary to work something else into the fly; artery forceps make a good substitute. Hackle clips, with a ring for a finger while turning a hackle, are supposed to be necessary, but the Archer clips will do very well instead. A pair of sharp fine-pointed scissors completes the list.

Hooks come first among the materials, and—taking the sizes from Hardy's list—a few dozen must be bought of Nos. 10 to 14, and fewer dozen of Nos. 6 to 9. The latter are chiefly for lake flies or for a big "coachman," which is to be used at night. Every tackle maker seems to have a different number for his hooks, and the easiest way to get those you require is to take or send patterns to a dealer. The sizes I have quoted are for "down-eyed snecks," which are the most convenient kind; as those with upturned eyes are rather harder to finish off. Especially for dry flies, the hook should be fine and the eye small; and it is just as well to test it before taking the trouble of turning it into a fly.

Next are the silks and feathers, not laces, thank heaven, for the list is long enough without, and easily might fill a page; so the best plan is to form a collection by degrees, and begin with a few things which are likely to be wanted first. Such are starling wings, and wings of other small birds, and feathers from variously colored fowls. Brown, white, black, and red hackles; and what are known as "cochy bondhu" hackles, which are red with black tips. Of these, the red, white and black hackles are the most useful; and of course it is quite easy to obtain them from the necks of different fowls. Whenever a rooster happens to get slain for Sunday dinner, always make a point of securing some of his neck feathers for fly-tying purposes, and we need buy little from a shop. For myself, I believe that a hackle tip wings a fly far better than any other feather, and for this reason: Take almost any of the natural duns which we see upon our waters, and hold them up against the light, and you will notice that the wings are transparent. Now the fibres of a hackle are separated, so the light can come through; and the feather of a starling—often used for a wing—is opaque; therefore hackle tips must more nearly resemble the wings of the natural fly.

To the feather list we must add some peacock herl; and fortunately, the fur from a hare's ear and scalp, is waiting for us in the nearest field. A little gold and silver twist is necessary, also silk of different colors. Pearsall's gossamer is proper for fly-tying, almost it is indispensable, but in case of need we make "pure sewing silk" serve instead. The colors chiefly required are scarlet, black, white, champagne, various browns, olive, and bright yellow. Some people have a fancy for varnishing the heads of their flies, and also for waxing the tying silk; but though a little white wax may not seem harmful, it is a mistake to use it in making a dry fly, for the fraction of added weight will only help to sink it. Two half-hitch knots are usually a sufficient finish, and if occasionally a fly comes undone, it is very easy to tie another. Now it is to be supposed that everything is ready for a beginning, and the whole has cost less than $5, so the expense was not alarming; and perhaps I may go on to explain the methods of making some of the most useful flies, next week.

Salmon In the Bay.—Good catches of salmon have been taken outside the heads by trolling boats during the past week. One boat brought in 30 quinnat salmon one day, the largest fish scaled nearly 40 pounds. Last Wednesday afternoon a salmon was hooked off California City, by a lady angler. This fish was a very large one but broke away before the gaff was brought into play.

EXPOSITION FLY AND BAIT CASTING.

Exposition Trophy Winners.

C. H. Gardiner, San Francisco, heavy tackle accuracy, 99.36 per cent.

Paul W. Shattuck, San Francisco, dry fly accuracy, 98.45 per cent.

Harry C. Golcher, San Francisco, light tackle distance, 116 feet (National Association record).

Oscar Lane, Los Angeles, quarter-ounce lure, accuracy, 97.9 per cent.

Stanley Forbes, San Francisco, quarter-ounce lure, distance 134.2 feet.

Fred N. Peet, Chicago, quarter-ounce lure, "slam," 153 feet.

Fred N. Peet, Chicago, salmon fly, distance 162 feet (world's record).

Walter D. Mansfield, San Francisco, half-ounce lure, accuracy, 98.4 per cent.

Oscar Lane, Los Angeles, half-ounce lure, distance 193.3 feet.

Oscar Lane, Los Angeles, quarter-ounce lure, "slam," 240 feet.

Carlos G. Young, San Francisco, light tackle fly, accuracy 99.30 per cent.

The fly and bait-casting contests in the eighth international tournament, under the auspices of the San Francisco Fly Casting Club, started Thursday forenoon, August 12, at Stow lake in Golden Gate Park. Harry Golcher of this city had the distinction of breaking the national association tournament record in the light tackle fly-casting event. He put out his line 116 feet, beating the 1912 record of C. J. McCarthy, made in Chicago, by two feet.

Golcher won the exposition silver trophy. The winners of eleven other prizes in this event were: T. C. Kierulff, Stanley Forbes, W. D. Mansfield, Dr. W. E. Brooks, F. M. Peet of Chicago, W. J. Davis, Jr., J. Waddell of Grand Rapids, Mich.; F. J. Cooper, E. A. Mocker, and F. A. Webster. Walter D. Mansfield of this city holds the world's record in this style of casting, 129½ feet, made at Stow lake, 1902.

Paul W. Shattuck won the exposition silver trophy in the dry fly accuracy contest. The other prize winners, in the order named, were: George C. Edwards, Tom C. Kierulff, F. A. Webster, F. M. Peet, F. H. Reed, Stanley Forbes, J. F. Burgin, E. A. Mocker, Harry A. Thomson, Jr., W. D. Mansfield, and Charles H. Kewell. Three casts were made by each contestant at five anchored buoys, distant from twenty to fifty feet from the casting platform.

Shattuck's win in the light tackle dry fly accurac was hardly less of a surprise, and was another di tinct feature for the younger competitors.

Golcher's performance, the best individual reco of the day, was of the "come back" variety. For se eral years the winner had not been taking an activ interest in casting events and he entered for the lon distance contest with little or no preliminary pra tice. The long-distance fly, which was held in th afternoon, was the only event of the day in whic Golcher competed.

The scores in Thursday's contests follow: Ever 1, heavy tackle acuracy fly-casting. Event 2, dry fl accuracy. Event 3, light tackle distance fly-castin feet:

Events—	1	2	3
P. W. Shattuck	99.2	98.45	6
G. C. Edwards	99.1	98.54	.
T. C. Kierulff	98.13	98.20	11
F. A. Webster	98.13	99.24	8
F. M. Peet	98.13	98.30	10
F. H. Reed	98.12	98.52	.
S. Forbes	98.9	98.32	11
J. F. Burgin	98.9	99.28	7
E. A. Mocker	98.8	.....	8
H. A. Thomson, Jr.	98.7	98.44	7



Fly Casting at Stow Lake.

Club Lodge, Truckee River.

T. C. Kierulff, San Francisco, delicacy fly casting, 98.52 per cent.

Walter D. Mansfield, San Francisco, heavy tackle, long distance fly, 134 feet (National Association record).

Special Prize Winners.

Stanley Forbes, all round championship, silver cup, donated by California Anglers' Association.

T. C. Kierulff, best average in seven fly casting events, Exposition cup.

Stanley Forbes, best average in accuracy, distance, dry-fly and delicacy and accuracy, special prize.

Oscar Lane, best average in ¼ and ½ ounce events, Exposition cup. Best average in all of the bait events, special prize.

San Francisco Fly-Casting Club, Exposition cup for club making best average.

Col. G. C. Edwards, highest percentage in all fly events, except distance.

Charles H. Gardner won the exposition silver trophy in the heavy tackle accuracy contest. The other prize winners were: Charles H. Kewell, J. F. Burgin, F. A. Webster, F. J. Cooper, Joseph Springer, F. H. Reed, Dr. W. E. Brooks, P. W. Shattuck, Harry A. Thomson, Jr., W. J. Davis, Jr., and Stanley Forbes.

During the afternoon casting, gusts of wind at odd times sent the gossamer leaders and lines in every direction but near the ring buoys. A heavy west wind interfered with the distance casting in the afternoon, tangling up back casts, to the discomfiture of several experts in that particular casting.

Gardner's win was a distinct surprise. It was only at the last minute that he had been induced to enter the event. Originally he had determined to try his skill only in the bait competitions, and made the change only with the intention of making himself eligible for the all-around championship, for which competitors must take part in all the events. His mark of 99 9-15 has been eclipsed in only two of the seven tournaments thus far held by the association.

W. D. Mansfield	98.7	97.34	110
C. H. Kewell	98.6	99.28	80
J. Springer	98.3	98.50	..
Dr. W. E. Brooks	98.2	98.48	104
C. G. Young	98.1	98.42	..
H. Golcher	.....	.....	116
L. G. Burpee	98	98.40	..
W. J. Davis, Jr.	97.11	98.40	94
F. J. Cooper	97.9	99	83
C. H. Gardiner	97.8	99.36	70

F. N. Peet, the champion salmon fly caster of the Chicago Fly Casting Club, Friday afternoon, August 13, at Stow lake, won the Exposition silver bowl trophy and established a world's record in salmon fly distance casting, 162 feet, beating his winning cast, 151 feet, made at the Los Angeles tournament the previous week. The national association record up to Friday was 150 feet, made in Chicago by C. E. Lingenfelter last year.

The other prize winners in this event in the order named were: W. D. Mansfield, E. A. Rogers, C. H.

Jewell, John Waddell of Grand Rapids, J. F. Burgin, F. E. Kierulff, W. J. Davis, Jr., W. P. Shattuck, F. J. Cooper, Dr. W. E. Brooks, Stanley Forbes, Harry A. Thomson, Jr. Weather conditions were favorable for the contests at the lake. Rogers afterward cast 44 feet to Mansfield's 135 on the tie score.

The Court of Palms was selected Friday forenoon instead of the south garden at the Exposition for the one-quarter ounce accuracy lure casting contest. The buoys were anchored out in the pond, the judges standing by in gum boots. Oscar Lane of Los Angeles won the Exposition trophy; J. M. Rainey and M. M. Clarke, both of Chicago, J. F. Burgin, F. A. Webster, C. H. Gardner, T. C. Kierulff, S. Forbes, F. F. Cooper, W. J. Davis Jr., F. N. Peet, C. H. Kewell and P. W. Shattuck won the minor prizes in the order named.

Two other contests were held on the aviation field —one-quarter ounce lure distance casting and "slam" casting with the same tackle. Stanley Forbes' average of 134.2 feet in five casts won the Exposition trophy in the first event and F. N. Peet's 153 cast—the best in five, won the Exposition trophy in the "slam" event.

Prize winners in the one-quarter ounce lure distance casting were: Rainey, Lane, Peet, Davis, Kewell, Kierulff, Mansfield, Webster, Burgin, Shattuck, and Gardner. The prize-winning slamsters were: Forbes, Lane, Cooper, Kierulff, Kewell, Davis, Shattuck, Webster, Mansfield, Gardner and Burgin. The contests at the Exposition were followed by a large audience.

The scores made Friday follow: Event 1—"Slam" casting. Event 2—One-quarter ounce lure, distance in feet. Event 3—One-quarter ounce lure, accuracy percentages. Event 4—Salmon fly, distance in feet.

Events—	1	2	3	4
F. N. Peet	153	124.6	95.1	162
Stanley Forbes	146.4	134.2	96	114
Oscar Lane	136.2	127.5	97.9	...
F. J. Cooper	133.9	10	95.3	120
T. C. Kierulff	129	98.2	96.1	123
C. H. Kewell	120.10	116.10	94.8	135
W. J. Davis Jr.	116	117.3	95.1	123
P. W. Shattuck	113.4	54.5	93.1	120
F. A. Webster	109.6	85.6	96.9	87
W. D. Mansfield	108	93.6	90.7	139
H. C. Gardner	104.7	58.3	96.4	83
J. F. Burgin	40	85.4	97	124
J. M. Rainey	.....	127.6	97.3	...
M. M. Clarke	.....	.....	97.2	...
R. B. Nason	.....	.....	91.3	...
J. Waddell	.....	.....	....	129
E. A. Rogers	.....	.....	....	139
H. A. Thomson Jr.	.....	.....	....	111
Dr. W. E. Brooks	.....	.....	....	114

Walter D. Mansfield won the half-ounce lure casting contest Saturday afternoon in a spectacular finish that was greeted with rounds of applause by an immense audience of spectators gathered about the picturesque pond in the center of the Court of Palms at the Exposition.

In this event each contestant made two casts, up and down the line, at five anchored targets in the water, distant from sixty to 100 feet. When the return target was reached the contest narrowed down to Mansfield and Oscar Lane of Los Angeles. Lane finished one point ahead of the local rodster. Mansfield stepped up to the scoring peg—everybody tensed up—a cast striking one foot from the floating target meant a tie, farther away defeat. The veteran of many rod and reel tournaments poised his rod, shot out the line and the half-ounce aluminum plummet struck the gong in the center of the buoy and rang up a perfect score. Mansfield's skillful cast at a critical time kept the elegant Exposition silver trophy in this city.

The other prize winners were, in the order named: O. Lane, F. A. Webster, P. W. Shattuck, Stanley Forbes, J. M. Ranney of Chicago; W. J. Davis Jr., F. N. Peet of Chicago, F. J. Cooper, J. F. Burgin, Austin Sperry, C. H. Gardner, M. M. Clarke of Chicago, R. B. Nason of Tacoma. The scores in this contest, while good, were below the general average. Gusts of wind interfered with accurate casting.

Lane captured the Exposition trophies in the two following contests held on the aviation field—the half-ounce distance and the half-ounce slam casting events. In the latter event W. J. Davis Jr., with 228.4 feet, was looked upon as the winner. Lane protested and claimed that he was entitled to a fifth and final cast, when the judges came in from the outer end of the court. Davis, like a good sportsman, under the circumstances waived all claim to the Exposition trophy. Lane then made his fifth cast and scored 240 feet.

The two casting events on the grass field were conducted under a handicap of wind and raw weather. There were enough prizes in both events for every contestant to be recognized.

The scores made Saturday follow: Event No. 1, half-ounce accuracy; event No. 2, half-ounce distance; event No. 3, half-ounce "slam" casting, best distance cast in five:

Events—	1	2	3
W. D. Mansfield	98.4	93.8	157
O. Lane	98.3	193.3	240
F. A. Webster	97.9	134.9	155
P. W. Shattuck	97.8	159.10	198
S. Forbes	97.5	167.4	213
J. M. Ranney	97.3	117.3	..
W. J. Davis Jr.	97.1	162.11	228.4
F. N. Peet	96.9	137.9	160
C. G. Young	96.8	.....	..
F. J. Cooper	96.7	102.7	..
J. F. Burgin	96.5	99.2	97
A. Sperry	96	145.4	162.4
M. M. Clarke	95.8	71.10	..
C. H. Kewell	95.1	157.10	204.4
T. C. Kierulff	94.9	136.6	160
Dr. W. E. Brooks	94.8	.....	140.8
E. A. Mocker	93.2	.....	..
R. B. Nason	93	.....	..

The contests terminated late Sunday afternoon at Stow lake with the heavy trout tackle long-distance competition. Walter D. Mansfield, casting in his old-time form, extended his line over the water a distance of 134 feet, and won the Exposition silver trophy.

Harry Golcher's cast of 131 feet, made early in the contest, was generally thought to be the best that would develop in the event. It was, until Mansfield put on three more feet. Both casts were way ahead of prior national association tournament records.

The scores of 134 and 131 feet respectively are an odd coincidence, for in 1902, at an open-to-all tournament on Stow lake, both fly casters made identically the same scores. Harry Golcher subsequently made a record score of 140 feet.

The high performance in long-distance fly casting to date, however, is an exhibition cast of 144 feet, made by Mansfield in 1902.

T. C. Kierulff was the Exposition trophy winner in the delicacy contest—after casting off a tie with Mansfield. In this event the contestants made five casts at three-ring targets, anchored thirty-five, forty and forty-five feet from the platform. Accuracy of aim and delicacy of line and leader recovery from the water counted in general percentage average.

C. G. Young was the trophy winner in accuracy fly casting—each rodster whipped line and leader five times at three ring buoys anchored forty-five, fifty and fifty-five feet distant from the caster.

In both of these events the local contestants led the Eastern fly casters by quite a margin. The rods used weighed five and three-quarters ounces. There were prizes enough for every entrant in both contests to win something, ranging from Leonard rods through a long list of articles prized by anglers down to subscriptions to sportsmen's publications. One energetic fly caster won reading matter in three different events—about a dozen subscriptions in all.

An overcast sky and quiet weather in the forenoon turned into a raw, misty afternoon, with gusts of wind that interfered with back casts at critical times. The Chicago fly caster, F. N. Peet, had bad luck in the long-distance event—his line broke before he could exceed 110 feet. A large crowd of spectators was present all day and were unstinted in applause at various times, particularly when the long-distance records were beaten. The judges throughout the tournament were: F. E. Daverkosen and James Turner; Paul Nippert, referee.

A banquet Thursday evening at which time the trophies and prizes were presented to the winners, and a two-day fishing trip to the Truckee river, were the final features of the tournament. The results of the last day, Sunday, August 15, follow: Event 1—Delicacy percentages. Event 2—Accuracy percentages. Event 3—Heavy tackle, long-distance fly casting, feet:

Events—	1	2	3
T. C. Kierulff	98.52	99.46	117
W. H. Mansfield	98.52	99.46	134
F. H. Reed	98.31	98.52	...
S. Forbes	98.17	99.14	107
G. C. Edwards	98.10	96.6	...
W. J. Davis Jr.	98.9	99.20	106
H. C. Golcher	98.3	98.34	131
C. G. Young	97.55	99.30	...
F. J. Cooper	97.55	98.56	111
C. H. Gardner	97.53	99.4	...
J. F. Burgin	97.51	98.58	109
F. N. Peet	97.40	98.52	110
F. A. Webster	97.35	99.14	90
P. W. Shattuck	97.18	90.24	80
C. H. Kewell	97.17	90.22	116
H. B. Sperry	97.2	99	116
J. Springer	96.58	99.10	...
E. A. Mocker	96.54	98.23	107
H. A. Thomson	96.34	98.54	...
Dr. W. E. Brooks	96	98.44	104
C. G. Young	.....	99.30	...
E. A. Rogers	.....	98.25	108
J. Waddell	.....	98.12	110
J. M. Ranney	.....	97.36	...
M. M. Clark	.....	93.58	...
Ties—			
T. C. Kierulff	98.48	.....	...
W. D. Mansfield	98.27	.....	...
T. C. Kierulff	.....	98.52	...
W. D. Mansfield	.....	97.56	...
F. H. Reed	.....	98.34	...
F. N. Peet	.....	98.32	...
S. Forbes	.....	99.4	...
F. A. Webster	.....	99.2	...

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Registered Tournaments — Pacific States and Territories:

September 5-6.—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

September 6—Tacoma Gun Club, Tasoma, Wash., "Old Policy"; Carl Coon, Secretary.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

September 24—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

GRAND AMERICAN HANDICAP.

The five day Interstate Association tournament began Monday under favorable auspices—783 entrants, with mail entries to hear from, made up the greatest gathering of trap shooters in the history of the sport.

The Grand Park introductory, first event of the tournament, Monday, August 16, brought out a field of 235 shooters. The event called for 200 single targets thrown at unknown angles at 18 yards. The weather was favorable and high scores were recorded. W. S. Hoon of Jewell, Pa., led the field with 196 breaks.

Tom Wilkes of San Francisco missed only twelve of 200 clay pigeons out of ten frames of 20 targets each. Wilkes had three straights. He broke every bird in the fifth, ninth and tenth frames. He got off to a bad start, having three misses in the first frame. He made 19 in the second and 18 in the third frame. In the fourth he broke 19, and the same number in the sixth. He had 18 hits in each of the seventh and eighth. H. M. Williams, however, broke 190, Pete O'Brien 190 and J. F. Dodds 182. Sam Huntley scored 194.

C. A. Haight of San Francisco broke 87 targets out of 100, and P. J. Holohan of Portland was credited with 94 hits.

No California trigger puller participated Tuesday in the national singles championship, which was open to all State champions. Oregon and Washington were represented, however.

P. H. O'Brien, the Oregon champion, broke 95 out of 100 pigeons shot at in the event and finished well toward the top. O'Brien broke 24 out of the first 25 birds, but missed two in each of the second and third frames. In the last frame, he went through straight.

F. M. Troeh, who represented the State of Washington, broke 90. He was unlucky on the start, having five misses in the first frame. He missed only one in the second, but lost four in the third. He broke clean in the fourth.

Other Pacific Coast trapshooters who competed in the Chicago overture were J. F. Dodds of San Diego, who broke 86 of the clay birds, while E. E. Young of Portland broke only 60.

C. H. Newcomb, Philadelphia, won the national singles title at 100 targets, sixteen yards rise, missing only one chance, for a total of 99. Guy Dering, Columbus, Wis., led a field of eighty entries in the national doubles championship, getting 91 out of a possible 100 at 16 yards. The Chicago Overture, also at 16 yards, went to H. J. Rebhausen of North Plate, Neb., with a count of 98. There were 220 entrants in this event.

Newcomb's victory was considered the most important of the day. Second to him were A. B. Richardson, Dover., Del., and R. A. King, Delta, Col., with 98 each. John Jahn, Davenport, Ia., was next with 97. The work of the high men was especially noteworthy in that a high wind swept the field.

The wind made the doubles event particularly difficult and accounted for the comparatively low scores in that contest. Next to Dering were Mark Arie, Thomasboro, Ill., with 90, and S. A. Huntley, Omaha, who got 87.

Huntley also placed in the Chicago overture, tying with William Wetleaf of Nichols, Iowa, for second place, each getting 97 breaks. J. P. White, Watertown, S. D., and W. M. Foord, Wilmington, Del., were next with 96.

The professionals were also busy today. J. E. Dickey, Minneapolis, led the field with 97. R. R. Barber, St. Paul, was second with 96, and then came Bart Lewis, Springfield, Ill.; J. M. Hawkins, Pittsburg, Pa.; J. S. Fanning, Wilmington, Del.; F. G. Bills, Chicago; C. A. Young, Springfield, Ohio, and L. S. German, Aberdeen, Maryland, each of whom scored 95.

Among the high scores in Tuesday's events were the following:

Chicago Overture: 94—C. L. Waggoner; 90—E. W. Varner, Bert Waggoner.

National amateur championship: 98—R. A. King, 97—John Jahn, 96—C. L. Parsons, 95—P. H. O'Brien, 94—D. R. Miller, 93—C. H. Reilly Jr., 92—H. J. Rebhausen, 91—S. B. Adams, Portland, Ore., 90—F. M. Troeh, Vancouver, Wash.

The Preliminary Handicap, Wednesday, had an entry of 683 shooters. R. H. Morse, Chicago, shooting from eighteen yards, won with 95 out of 100 single targets. He was awarded a trophy and $336.50. A northeast gale sprang up at noon and kept the scores down.

A triple tie at 94 followed Morse's score, those making that mark being George K. Mackie, 18 yards, Lawrence, Kan.; Ed Echendel, 18 yards, Milwaukee, Wis., and C. A. Gunning, 20 yards, Longmont, Col. They divided $807.60, and were to shoot for the second and third place trophies Thursday. Those who broke 89 or better shared in the remainder of the $3365 purse.

Among those who broke 90 or more, with their handicaps, were: 94—George K. Mackie (18), C. A. Gunning (2), A. R. Castle (18), P. R. Miller (2), C. Parsons (2). 92—William Wettleaf (19), C. L. Waggoner (19), William Riley (22). 91—G. E. Caple (18), C. H. Larsen (18). 90—D. M. Ehler (19), S. McEwen (19), J. S. Frink (2), H. J. Rebhausen (2), H. J. White (21).

The feature event, the Grand American Handicap, was started with 827 entries Thursday and finished yesterday, too late for announcement of the winner.

ALFALFA SILAGE FOR FATTENING STEERS.

[By G. H. True, F. W. Woll and V. F. Dolcini, U. of C.]

While many experiments have been conducted with regard to the use of Indian corn silage in feeding fattening steers, but little is known in regard to the value of other silage crops for cattle feeding. Since the first cutting of alfalfa often consists largely of foxtail and other weeds, and in that case makes a poor quality of hay, it seemed desirable to secure some definite information as to the use of this crop for silage purposes. One of the stave silos at the University Farm was accordingly filled with the first cutting of alfalfa from a weedy field, on April 27 to May 3, 1914. This field was so foul with weeds that it would have been practically valueless for hay, the foxtail being nearly ripe and the beards already hard.

A mixed lot of 107 native range steers, mostly three and four years old, was purchased for the experiment last summer from a foothill ranch near Coyote, California. The better individuals among the steers showed some evidence of Shorthorn, Hereford or Devon blood, but on the whole the steers were rather below the average of California range cattle. They were bought at 6 cents a pound on foot with a 3 per cent shrink, and averaged 963 pounds when weighed at the ranch on the morning of July 6, 1914. After a ten-mile drive to Coyote and twenty-four hours on the cars they weighed, when unloaded at Davis, an average of 883 pounds.

For the first two days at the University Farm, the steers received nothing but long alfalfa hay. On the morning of July 10th, they were started on alfalfa silage with which was mixed rolled barley. No hay was fed for the two following days, in order to accustome the steers to the silage. On July 12th hay was again fed and the ration from this time on consisted of alfalfa hay, alfalfa silage and rolled barley. Throughout the experiment the silage and grain were fed rather late in the morning and evening, and though not eaten immediately, practically all was consumed by the next feeding time. The hay was fed separately twice a day in hay racks.

The alfalfa hay fed during the greater part of the experiment was good second-cutting hay, clean and free from weeds. The silage, as stated, was made from the first cutting of alfalfa and contained a large proportion of weeds, principally foxtail. A botanical analysis of a sample of the silage, made by Professor P. B. Kennedy, showed that it was composed of over 55 per cent foxtail. While this may not represent the true percentage of weeds in the entire lot of silage, it is believed we may safely assume that at least one-half of the bulk of the silage consisted of plants other than alfalfa. Many of the loads were quite dry as filled into the silo and considerable water was added after each load and also after the silo was filled, in order to improve the quality of the silage.

The silage as fed out was well made, of a dark brown color and of slightly acidulated, aromatic flavor. That in the lower part of the silo was more moist than that in the upper part and was apparently relished best by the steers. While most of the silage was not taken with particular relish, it was always eaten up clean, with the exception of a few days during the middle of July when a layer of partially spoiled silage was reached, at a point where the filling of the silo had been interrupted for a couple of days. The foxtail heads, which would have caused great trouble in feeding the alfalfa as hay, were eaten before having a chance to dry out.

The silage was sampled once every week for determinations of moisture and acidity and a complete chemical analysis of the mixed samples was made by Professor M. E. Jaffa, who also made analyses of the other feeds used in the experiment. The chemical composition of these feeds with digestible components calculated on the bases of average digestion coefficients is shown below.

Chemical composition of feeding stuffs, in per cent:

	Alfalfa Silage	Alfalfa Hay	Barley
Moisture	76.00	15.87	12.36
Protein	3.40	11.32	10.37
Fat	.34	1.30	1.80
Fiber	5.56	28.63	6.26
Nitrogen-free extract	11.72	35.85	66.61
Ash	2.98	7.03	2.60
	100.00	100.00	100.00
Volatile acids	.40	.....	.....
Fixed acids	.91	.....	.....
Digestible protein	1.29	8.38	7.27
Digestible carbohydrates and fat	8.28	40.17	68.20
Nutritive ratio	1:6.4	1:4.9	1:9.4

The feeding test was started on July 20th when the steers had recovered their normal fill. The experiment progressed without important incidents, except that one steer, which was found tubercular at slaughtering time, went off feed and failed to gain in weight. The steers on the whole showed a marked improvement in condition throughout the experiment, and with the exception noted all were in fair condition when sold, although but few could have been classed as finished for market. To one who watched the steers closely from day to day, it seemed that now and then a steer that had been doing especially well would stop gaining. The apparent explanation of this was revealed by an examination of the carcasses after slaughter, when it was found that there were accumulations of foxtails in the mouths of practically all the steers. This condition suggests that had the experiment continued much longer, trouble might have developed as in the case of foxtail hay, and emphasizes the necessity for cutting the alfalfa for silage before the foxtail beards become hard. From August 21st on, only one-half feed of silage was fed, the amount of barley being increased by two pounds. The trial brought to a close on September 3rd, when the silage was fed out.

The following statement shows the main results of the trial:

Weight of steers July 6 at shipping point 963 lbs.
Weight of steers July 8 off cars at Davis.. 883 lbs.
Weight of steers July 20 at Univ. Farm.. 971.2 lbs.
Weight of steers Sept. 3, selling weight..1041.08 lbs.
Average daily gain per head..... 1.53 lbs.

	Hay	Silage	Barley
Average daily ration per head	10.6 lbs.	20.2 lbs.	2.4 lbs.
Feed per lb. gain for the period of 46 days	6.9 lbs.	13.1 lbs.	5.4 lbs.

The composition of this ration on the basis of the chemical analysis made was as follows:

Dry matter ..... 21.13 lbs.
Digestible protein ..... 1.76 lbs.
Digestible carbohydrates and fat.. 11.66 lbs.
Nutritive ratio .....1:6.6 lbs.

Financial Statement.

The steers were sold on September 3rd, at 7 cents a pound with a 3 per cent shrink. In the following financial statement of the feeding trial, the item of feed eaten includes all the feed which the steers received from the time they were bought until they were sold. The prices of feeds given were those prevailing in this locality during the past summer, except that of silage which was assumed to cover the cost of production only, since weedy alfalfa like that used in the making of this silage has practically no value for feeding as hay and the silage itself has no established market value.

Initial cost of steers, 103,099 lbs. at 6c.	$6,185.94	
Freight from Coyote to Davis (4 cars at $33.04 per car)	132.16	
Sanding cars	2.00	
Commission for buying 107 head at 50c per head	53.50	
Interest on $6,373.60 at 8 per cent	84.98	
Refund on account of one tubercular steer	47.60	
Feed eaten: 31.4 tons hay at $4.00, $125.60; 23.24 tons barley at $18.50, $429.94; 58.32 tons silage at $1.25, $72.90	628.44	
Labor, approximately, one-half time of one man	50.00	
Horse and wagon	15.00	
Total cost		$7,199.62
Selling price, 108,126 lbs. at 7c		7,568.82
Net profit on entire lot		$369.20

Charging against the steers only the cost of feed and labor and interest on the money invested, as would be done by a man feeding his own cattle, the profit would come to $556.86. Charging alfalfa hay at its normal market value of $6 a ton in the stack and barley at $21 a ton, there would still be a profit of $436.06 from the feeding operation.

This trial shows that silage may be made from weedy alfalfa which would make but inferior hay, that such silage will be eaten without waste, and that it can be used as a supplementary feed for fattening steers on alfalfa hay and barley.

PASSING OF GEN. B. F. TRACY.

Full of years and honors, General B. F. Tracy, in other days one of the most prominent and stalwart figures in American public and political life and an extensive breeder and patron of the American trotting horse, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ferdinand Wilmerding, 14 East Sixtieth street, New York, last Friday afternoon. For upward of 60 years General Tracy had been a national figure and had occupied some of the most distinguished stations in public affairs, among which was Secretary of the Navy under President Benjamin Harrison, where he earned the distinction which has ever since clung to him as the "Father of the American navy." He was one of the founders of the Republican party, a brave soldier during the civil war and a lawyer of the highest ability.

His identification with the breeding pursuit dated from soon after the war, and for many years his Marshland Farm at Owego, Tioga county, was a noted establishment for the production of the trotting horse. He belonged to the older generation of breeders, in the times of Chas. Backman, Edwin Thorne, and others of like ilk, but now gone and practically unknown to the present day. The General established a farm in the early 70's at Owego, Tioga county, in the southern part of New York state and called it Marshland Farm. Among the first of his most noted possessions in the horse line was Peacemaker 260, a son of Rysdyk's Hambletonian, and that sired seven standard performers. About the same time General Tracy also owned Oxmoor 1400 (son of Princeps), the sire of three in 2:30, all of whom were bred by General Tracy. Oxmoor, however, was noted as a sire of dams and his daughters produced quite a number of fast trotters of the later 90's.

Shortly after this General Tracy purchased anoth farm, located in the adjoining town of Apalachin, a re-established himself there. It was when at tl latter place that General Tracy bred on a large sca and had for a number of years at the head of t stud the stallion Mambrino Dudley. This was 1883, and the horse had then a record of 2:43 which he later reduced to 2:19¾. As a sire Ma brino Dudley was not as successful as other Ma brino stallions, his get having a reputation for bei soft. In all he sired eight standard performers wi four speed sires and the dams of eleven.

About this time the get of George Wilkes 2:22 we beginning to bring attention to themselves, one pa ticularly that had raced brilliantly and gamely a whose name was on everybody's tongue, this bei Kentucky Wilkes 2:21¼, who had raced continuous and successfully from a two-year-old, having met a defeated such noted old-time stars as Forest Patche 2:18¼, Driver 2:19, Judge Davis 2:18¾, Alexand 2:19, etc., and Maxie Cobb, that later placed tl world's stallion record at 2:13¼.

Kentucky Wilkes became the property of Gener Tracy and always remained his favorite horse.

It was with Kentucky Wilkes that General Trac obtained his greatest reputation as a breeder, from him he bred such good trotters as Bravad 2:10½ (later exported to Europe), Caprice 2:13¼ etc., the two fastest trotters ever bred by Gener Tracy, also the noted brood mare Pique, dam of including Chain Shot 2:06½, Brash 2:14¾, etc. Fro Kentucky Wilkes General Tracy also bred the pace Crafty 2:09½ (sire of Helen D. (p.) 2:09¾). Rig here it might be interesting to note that Crafty wa the only pacer ever bred by General Tracy, wher (to use his own words) he expected a trotter. I fact, General Tracy was most partial to the trotte and while he claimed not to be impartial to the pace did, no longer ago than 1901, write a warning t breeders anent the alarming increase of pacers an advising the rejection for breeding of all animal that did not show a predilection for the trot, and too up the cudgels against those extremists who claime that to cross pacing blood with trotting was the wa to breed extremely fast trotters.

When General Tracy became one of the leadin lights in the political world he practically droppe out of the breeding interests for a number of years In 1897 he re-engaged in the business and establishe his farm at the noted nursery of trotters, Stonyford near Goshen, N. Y., where Chas. Backman had s extensively bred trotters, and placed at the head o the stud the Electioneer-Wilkes stallion Advertise 2:15¼, sire of the then world's champion yearling Adbell 2:23. He had intended keeping only a few animals as a relaxation from professional work, bu the fever again got into his blood, and before long he had as many as 100 head on the place, and bought two other stallions to assist Advertiser, these being Lord of the Manor and Kiosk, representatives of the Mambrino King and Harold families. Lord of the Manor was an own brother of the world's champion mare Lady of the Manor 2:04¼, and was one of the fastest trotters ever raised on the famous Village Farm. So fast had he shown when in training, and so handsome was he, that that shrewd and critical horseman, C. J. Hamlin, said he would not "swap" the young stallion for a brown-stone front on Fifth avenue. The horse, however, went wrong and never got to the races, though as a three-year-old he trotted a quarter in 32½ seconds.

In the meantime Charles Backman, from whom General Tracy had leased Stonyford, died suddenly, and the farm and other appurtenances was put on the market, necessitating another removal on the part of General Tracy. The General tried to get another farm near Stonyford, but the price at which it was held was considered too high, as he never was considered a very wealthy man, so he decided to sell out every animal he owned with the exception of a score or so of youngsters and a few old mares; so Marshland Farm was practically dispersed in Madison Square Garden in the Midwinter Sale of 1902, and the active efforts of General Tracy as a breeder came to an end, though he retained a keen interest in the trotters and occasionally attended a race meeting.—Trotter and Pacer.

Aviator William Mattery, who arrived in New York recently after having made his escape from Mexico where he had served as an aerial scout for Pancho Villa, brings tidings of the death of his fellow scout, Mickey McGuire, at the hands of the rebel chieftain's men, contrary to the report sent out from "official" sources that he was killed by a fall from a considerable height. According to Mattery, the pair were engaged by Villa's agents in New Orleans, being paid a bonus of $2,000 each and promised $500 a week for their services. After some weeks Mickey notified Villa in person that unless the salaries were forthcoming the boys would quit, the ex-bandit's response being a laugh, followed by a volley from twenty rifles as McGuire turned his back to go to his machine. Mattery was also sentenced to death but by good luck escaped and made his way back to this country. The murdered aviator was a pleasant, happy-go-lucky, likable lad barely well into his twenties, and was a pupil of the late Lincoln Beachey. He was well known here in the extreme west, and his flying was an interesting feature at the last Arizona State Fair. He deserved better luck than assassination and a nameless grave in a barbarous land.

THE FARM

HORSEFLIES.

Horseflies are not only a serious nuisance to live stock in many sections of the United States, but are frequently agents in transmitting the disease known as anthrax, or charbon, which is extremely fatal not only to various kinds of animals but to man as well. It has been proved in experiments that horseflies, as well as the stable fly, carry this disease. In particular, observations in the plateau region of west Texas furnish important evidence that the horsefly is responsible in some degree for the spread of this disease to healthy animals. This fact, it should be said, does not in any way lessen the necessity of the other measures of controlling anthrax, such as the burning of carcasses and preventive inoculation. In fact, large numbers of horseflies have been observed feeding on animals which had either just died or were about to die from anthrax. At this time the blood is known to be filled with the germs of the disease. This emphasizes the importance of isolating sick animals and destroying the carcasses immediately after death.

Even, however, when the horsefly plays no part in the spread of anthrax, it may cause severe loss of stock. The worry caused by the flies' bites frequently causes animals to cease feeding and to group themselves together for mutual protection. When the pest is more than usually abundant nervous animals are sometimes driven frantic and injure themselves in various ways. Furthermore, the loss of blood due to the attacks of the fly may be very serious. Scientists in the department have studied cases in which it was estimated that in the course of a single day several hundreds of flies charged themselves with the blood from the animal. In addition to the blood drunk by the flies, much was lost by trickling out of the wounds made by the insects.

The adult horsefly is equipped with such a formidable biting apparatus that it is difficult to protect stock from its attacks. Any substance which will repel them effectually is likely to irritate the animal to which it is applied. One preparation which will, however, give some temporary degree of protection consists of 1 gallon of fish oil, 1 pint of oil of tar, and 1 ounce of pennyroyal. This may be sprayed on work animals with advantage, but the use of sprays is practically impossible in the case of range stock. Bulletin No. 1 of the Department of Agriculture, which may be obtained from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington, D. C., for 5 cents, deals with this question of repellents.

Another method which has the advantage of simplicity is to provide sheds which furnish a rather dense shade and into which live stock may go when the pests are most troublesome. Horseflies do not enter these sheds readily and the stock will obtain some relief. For very valuable stock or for young calves fly-proof cages are sometimes constructed and the animals placed in these during the middle of the day when the flies are the worst. Such a screened cage is very desirable as a means of isolating animals suspected of anthrax. After a diseased animal has been in it the cage should always be diinfected.

Most of the species of horseflies breed in swampy places. For this reason the numbers of the flies decrease with the clearing up and cultivation of marshy areas. This of course is a very slow measure of relief, and investigators have found that the process may be hastened by placing a film of kerosene on the surface of pools of water. All adult flies that strike the kerosene are destroyed. This system of control is valuable chiefly in regions where there are comparatively few pools of water or in wooded areas where certain pools are observed to be especially attractive to the flies.

The adult fly frequently deposits its eggs on the leaves of water plants growing in pools or along streams, but in west Texas it has been found that the eggs are usually deposited on rocks sticking out of running water. When first deposited the eggs are almost white, but they soon turn almost black or, in other cases, an ashy gray. The minute larvae or maggots hatch in a few days and drop off into the water or mud. When full grown they change into the pupal or resting stage and a few weeks after emerge as adult flies. Most of the species of horseflies require nearly a year to complete this life cycle, and so there is usually but one generation annually. There are a large number of different species, however, each of whom shows minor differences. One of the most important groups is known as the "ear" or "deer" fly. This is a comparatively small insect with mottled wings.

WINTER DAIRYING.

In many sections most of the cows freshen in the spring. The more observing and careful dairymen however having found that winter dairying has many advantages, are breeding their cows to drop the calves in the fall. The following are some of the advantages of winter dairying:

First, higher prices are obtained for milk and cream. As the usual season for cows to freshen is the spring, milk has always been plentiful during the early summer and scarce and higher during the winter.

Second, milk and cream can be handled in cold weather with less danger of souring, so there is little loss on account of milk returned from the creamery.

Third, the amount of labor on the farm is better distributed throughout the year. If the cows freshen in the spring, they are in full flow of milk and need the most care when work in the fields is most pressing. On the other hand, if the cows calve in the fall and are milked during the winter, the farmer can give them close attention, has more time to study the problem of feeding, and can give his men employment all the year and in that way get better help.

Fourth, the lactation period is lengthened and the amount of milk given during the year increased. Cows that freshen in the spring milk heavily while grass is good, but as the pastures dry up the flow of milk falls off and with the approach of winter the cows are nearly dry. If they freshen in the fall, they should at once be started on a good winter ration, and when they have been milked six months it is time to turn them to pasture and for a time the flow of milk will be nearly as great as that from fresh cows. Recent investigations by experiment stations verify this observation.

Fifth, fall calves can be raised better than those born in the spring. Young calves should be fed on milk for several months, after which they must be weaned and fed on solid food. If they are born in the spring, they will be tormented by flies all summer; they may be neglected because of the farm work, and when it is time to wean them they must be put on a dry winter ration. Fall calves come at a time when the dairyman can give them the closest attention, and when weaned they can be put on grass at an age when an easily digested and nutritious food is most needed.

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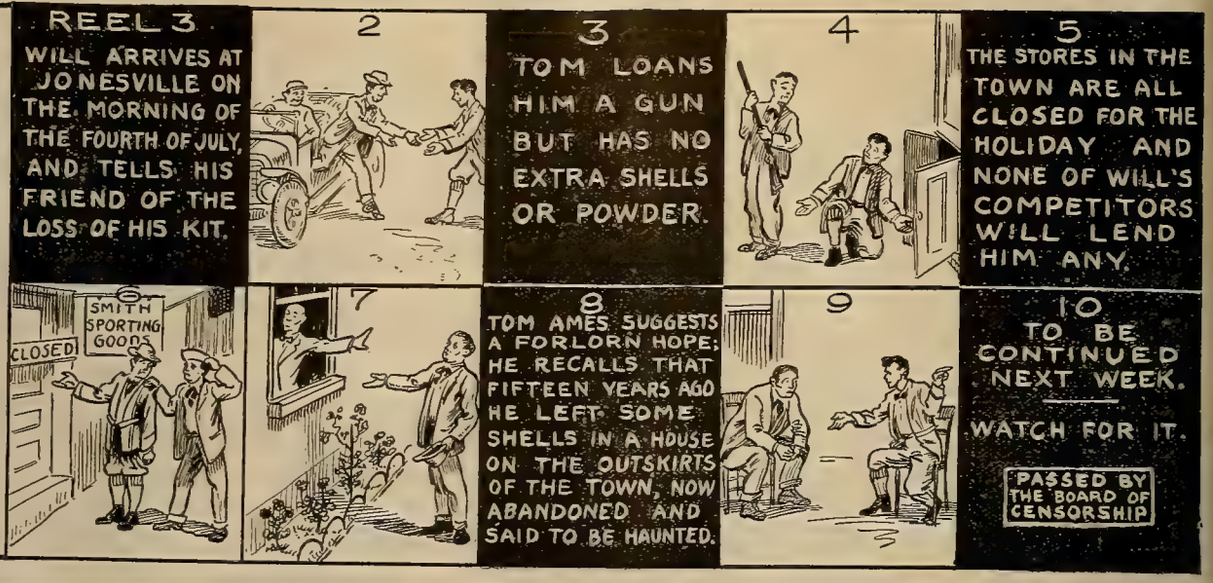
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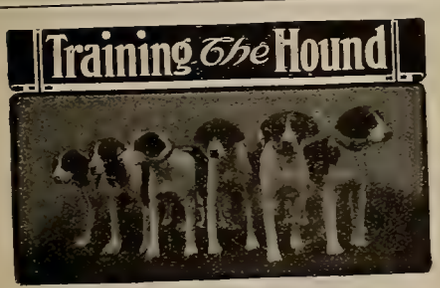
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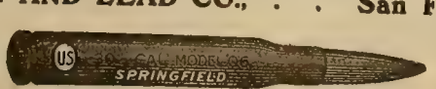
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NANCY HANKS 2:04.

On Monday, August 16, at John E. Madden's Hamburg Place in the blue grass district of Kentucky, death laid claim to the spirit of Nancy Hanks, foremost among the world's trotters a score or more of years ago, and famous also as a producer of speed in her own right as well as through her sons and daughters. For some years she has been owned by the Maddens, and in a country that nature formed for a "horse heaven" has had every comfort that could be provided for one whose work had been as well done as had hers.

Though death came to her at an advanced age, and in the course of her twenty-nine years of life she had traveled far, her final years of idleness and ease were spent in the same locality where she first saw the light of day and achieved her early honors on the race course, for Nancy was a member of one of the "first families" of the blue grass. In 1885 it was that Hart Boswell of Lexington mated to Happy Medium (then in his twenty-second year) the black mare Nancy Lee by Dictator, as a result of which union there was born, during the following season, the brown filly that was to become so widely known to fame under the homely but long-revered name of Nancy Hanks. Nancy Lee was bred by Mr. Boswell, who also owned throughout her life the grandam of the brown filly, Sophy by Edwin Forrest, herself the dam of a champion. Mated in 1868 to Andy Johnson, Sophy produced the filly Julia Ann Johnson, who, as a two-year-old in 1871, won for Mr. Boswell her first and only race, placing the world's record for two-year-old trotters at 2:45½. Through Sophy, the champion traces on back to Parker's Brown Pilot and the thoroughbred families of Sir Archy and American Eclipse.

Taken in hand early in life by Ben Kenney, Nancy soon showed evidence of pronounced trotting proclivities and as a three-year-old (1889) was raced by that "gentleman and horseman" through the Kentucky circuit, achieving a record of 2:24½ and winning seven races, one of them a walkover. As a four-year-old her operations were confined to the territory close to home, but she won six races and cut her record to 2:14½, performances that caused her to be regarded as a formidable candidate for future honors of a championship nature, her four-year-old record having been surpassed by but two fillies of that age, Sunol (4) 2:10½ and Margaret S. (4) 2:12½.

So firmly did her owner and admirers believe in her abilities to become a champion that before another season rolled around she had gone into the hands of that maker of champions, Budd Doble, and the wisdom of the change was not left in doubt for long. Belle Hamlin and Margaret S. were decisively disposed of in match races, and in her last competitive race, a stake for five-year-olds at Independence, Iowa, she defeated Allerton and Margaret S. in straight heats and record time, 2:12, 2:12¾, 2:12, the three heats, individually and collectively, establishing four championship marks. Later in the year she trotted at Cambridge City, Indiana, against time in 2:09¼, and a week later at the Quaker settlement of Richmond, in the same state, clipped the fraction and established the world's five-year-old record at 2:09.

World's records are sometimes "fleeting things," and such was the case in this instance. In 1883, Jay-Eye-See had trotted as a five-year-old in 2:10¾ for Ed Bither, and at this figure it remained until the season just reviewed, which was a hard one for five-year-olds. At Independence, Allerton cut the mark first to 2:10 flat and then to 2:09¼ for C. W. Williams, and from Sept. 4 to Sept. 30 rejoiced in being a world's champion for the age. Then Nancy asserted her claims for queenly honors, but her reign was of even shorter duration than Allerton's, as on October 20 Charles Marvin piloted Sunol over the Stockton course in 2:08¼.

Up to and including the season of 1891 all of Nancy's races had been to the old-fashioned high wheeled sulky, to which style of hitch she had performed as follows:

PERFORMANCE TO HIGH WHEEL SULKY.

Total miles in standard time	44
" " in standard time in races	31
" " in 2:20 or better in races	14
" " in 2:15 or better in races	5
" " in 2:12 or better in races	2
" " in 2:15 or better	15
" " in 2:14 or better	14
" " in 2:13 or better	11
" " in 2:12 or better	8
" " in 2:10 or better	2

The season of 1893 witnessed the introduction of the bike sulky into general use, as in a very short time its superiority over the high wheel type was most emphatically demonstrated—and one B. Doble, Esquire, was not the man to pass up a good thing when he saw it. Three times during the month of July Nancy started to the old wagon without beating 2:11, but on August 11 at Grand Rapids she was hooked up to one of the new-fangled trinkets and showed her appreciation of the same by trotting in 2:09. Never again in a public trial was she to trot a mile so slowly!

On August 17 at Chicago she clipped a second from the 2:08¼ of Sunol, and on August 31 at Independence trotted in 2:05¼. Not content with this, she trotted the regulation track at Terre Haute in 2:04, being the first trotter to beat 2:05, pulling a bike sulky that weighed sixty-two pounds. She trotted ten exhibitions in all to that hitch in 1892 and six in 1893, the time for the sixteen averaging approximately 2:07¼.

Some time prior to the close of her career in harness, Nancy had passed from the ownership of her breeder to that of J. Malcolm Forbes, who on her retirement began the series of breeding operations which were to be so richly rewarded, for Nancy was no "single barrel" champion and was not only the first performer to trot in 2:07¼ but was also the first matron to produce two sons to equal that figure—Admiral Dewey 2:04¾ and Lord Roberts 2:07¼. Indeed, so much might be written concerning her descendants that rather than have this story "run away with itself" we will restrict our efforts to the following concise summary of her produce:

BRED BY J. MALCOLM FORBES:

1896—Narion, b f by Arion 2:07¾; dam of Vice Commodore 2:11 (sire of 31, including 2 in 2:10), Albia 2:08¾, Darion 2:29½ and Ariello (dam of Orbingen 2:18).
1897—Barren.
1898—Admiral Dewey 2:04¾, b c by Bingen 2:06¼; sire of 45, including 5 in 2:10.
1899—Princess of Monaco, b f by imp. Meddler, thbd.; dam of Nancy Bingen 2:15¼, Vanitza (3) 2:29½ and Hanks Bellini p. 2:11¼.
1900—Lord Roberts 2:07¼, b c by Arion 2:07¾; sire of 34.
1901—Markala p. 2:18¼, br f by Peter the Great 2:07¼.
1902—Ondawa, b f by Bingen 2:06¼; injured.
1903—Palema, b f by Bingen 2:06¼; dam of Lema Worthy (2) 2:26.
1904—Malcolm Forbes, b c by Bingen 2:06¼; sire of 2.
1905—Barren.

BRED BY J. M. JOHNSON:

1906—Nancy McKerron (3) 2:10½, b f by John A. McKerron 2:04¼.
1907—King Todd p. 2:22½, b c by Todd.
1908—Nancy's Todd (3) 2:22¾, b f by Todd.

"The queen is dead, long live the queen," and while the present and the future queens surpass or will surpass in some points the subject of this sketch, not one is or ever will be more truly "every inch a queen" than Nancy Hanks.

TROTTING CLASSES AT EXPOSITION SHOWS.

Thursday, September 30, is the day on which the standard bred trotter will be in the limelight in the show ring out at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, and owners of high class horses who propose to take part in the competitive classes on this occasion are warned that entries close with Chief D. O. Lively of the Department of Live Stock on Wednesday, September first—next Wednesday, to be brief. So thoroughly has the work of distributing the prize lists of this department been accomplished that there should be practically no breeders ignorant of the opportunities provided for them by the exposition management, but for fear there may be intending exhibitors among our readers who have been overlooked, we present the following schedule of classification and awards:

STANDARD TROTTER.

Section		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
1.	Stallion, 4 yrs. old or over	$75	$60	$50	$40	$30	HC	C
2.	Stallion, 3 yrs. and under 4	75	60	50	40	30	HC	C
3.	Stallion, 2 yrs. and under 3	75	60	50	40	30	HC	C
4.	Stallion, 1 yr. and under 2	50	40	30	25	20	HC	C
5.	Stallion Foals	50	40	30	25	20	HC	C
6.	Mare, 4 yrs. old or over	75	60	50	40	30	HC	C
7.	Mare, 3 yrs. and under 4	75	60	50	40	30	HC	C
8.	Mare, 2 yrs. and under 3	75	60	50	40	30	HC	C
9.	Mare, 1 yr. and under 2	50	40	30	25	20	HC	C
10.	Filly Foals	50	40	30	25	20	HC	C

Champion Stallion and Mare.
(Competition limited to First-Prize Animals)

11.	Senior Champion Stallion	$100
12.	Reserve Senior Champion Stallion	Ribbon
13.	Junior Champion Stallion under 3 yrs	$75
14.	Reserve Junior Champion Stallion	Ribbon
15.	Senior Champion Mare, 3 yrs. old or over	$100
16.	Reserve Senior Champion Mare	Ribbon
17.	Junior Champion Mare, under 3 yrs	Ribbon
18.	Reserve Junior Champion Mare	Ribbon

Grand Champion.
(Competition limited to Champion Animals.)

19.	Stallion, any age	$150
20.	Reserve Stallion, any age	Ribbon
21.	Mare, any age	$125
22.	Reserve Mare, any age	Ribbon

Get of One Sire.

		1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th	7th
23.	Three animals, either sex, any age, get of one sire	$125	$100	$75	$50	$40	HC	C

Produce of One Dam.

24.	Two animals, either sex, age, produce of one dam	$ 75	$ 65	$55	$45	$40	HC	C

Stud.

25.	Stallion and three Mares, any age	$100	$ 75	$50	$40	$30	HC	C

Stud, Bred by Exhibitor.

26.	Stallion and three Mares, all two years old or over, bred by Exhibitor	$150

Premier Championship for Breeder.

27.	Best showing of Standard Trotters in sections 1 to 10 inclusive, as determined by the largest aggregate amount awarded to animals bred by any one breeder represented	Ribbon

Premier Championship for Breeder.

28.	Best showing of Standard Trotters in sections 1 to 10 inclusive, as determined by the largest aggregate amount awarded to animals owned by one Exhibitor	Ribbon

We wish also to call attention to the special offerings of supplementary prizes made by the American Trotting Register Association, which some months ago voted a thousand dollars for this purpose, its awards to be made pursuant to the following conditions:

Champion Stallion with 5 of his get, four year olds and under, $200 cup and $300 cash.
Champion Mare with 2 of her colts, four year olds and under, $100 cup and $100 cash.
Champion Stallion, any age, $100 cup.
Champion Mare, any age, $100 cup.
Champion Gelding, any age, $100 cup.
Horses standard bred and registered in the American Trotting Register Association.
All mature horses must be 15 hands, 2 inches or over and sound.
All horses must have long tails.
The following percentage will govern in Stallion and Get:—
General conformation and all around suitability of Sire as a light harness horse, 30%; style, action, manners and speed of Sire, 20%; general conformation and all around suitability of Get as light harness horses, taken as a whole, 30%; style, action, manners and speed and uniformity of type in Get, 20%.
The following percentage will govern in Mare and two of her colts:—
General conformation of dam as a brood mare of the light harness horse, 50%; general conformation, style, action, speed and manners of her offspring, 50%.
None of the above conditions alone shall be conclusive.
Horses alone to be considered.
A certificate of registry in the American Trotting Register Association is absolutely necessary to render animals eligible for entry in this class.

The cups mentioned in the association's list of awards are beauties, and are illustrated on our cover page this issue. They were designed by C. D. Peacock of Chicago along lines suggested by a committee appointed by Secretary W. H. Knight. Certainly no more appropriate selections could have been made of famous horses whose likenesses adorn the cups—for the champion sire, Bingen 2:06¼; for the champion brood mare, Miss Russell; for the champion stallion, The Harvester 2:01; for the champion trotting mare, Lou Dillon 1:58½, and for the champion gelding, Uhlan 1:58.

The cash awards and trophies are well worth competing for, and if your entries are not already made, look to them at once. Copy of certificate of registration should accompany entry, and quarters for the accommodation of all horses that are to participate in the exhibition will be in readiness on September 25.

Racing on the North Pacific Circuit

REPORTS BY W. C. BROWN AND H. S. RALSTON.

VANCOUVER, B. C.

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 14—The races the opening day of the Vancouver Exhibition were certainly an attraction from every standpoint. The feature race was the 2:20 trot and the 2:25 pace which was captured in straight heats by Lady Hal, H. B. Cox's stately daughter of Hal B. 2:04½ of Portland, Ore., and ably driven by Wm. Hogoboom. Second money fell to Nellie J., the speedy daughter of Zolock and owned and driven by D. H. Young of Spokane. Third and fourth money fell to Vancouver horses, third money coming to Prince Malone and fourth money to Baldue. The time of the three heats was good, being 2:15½, 2:16¾ and 2:19½, the track being heavy and dusty.

The amateur free-for-all was won by Olga S., though Glad Wren won one heat. The time for the three heats was 1:07½, 1:08 and 1:07½. Monarch Boy got third and Nellie Wilkes fourth money.

The Fields and Boyd Challenge Cup was won by Uncle Tom, Chromo winning the first heat. The summary:

August 14—2:20 trot and 2:25 pace, purse $500:

Lady Hal, b m by Hal B.....(Cox)	1	1	1
Nellie J., b m by Zolock.....(Young)	2	2	2
Prince Malone, ch g by Kinney Lou.....(Loomis)	4	4	3
Baldue, b g by Del Coronado.....(Stewart)	5	3	5
The Frisco, ch g by Caution.....(Lance)	3	5	6
Johnny D., b g by Wildbrino.....(Wright)	6	7	4
Alex Williams, bl g by The Patchen Boy(Hodgins)	7	6	7
Tosora, b m by The Patchen Boy.....(Stetson)	ds		
Aurelia Lou, br m by Kinney Lou.....(Dixon)	ds		

Time—2:15½, 2:16¾, 2:19½.

Free-for-all pace, amateur, halfmile heats:

Olga S., b m by Diablo.....(Marshall)	1	2	1
Glad Wrenn, bl m by Jubilee de Jarnette(Mitchell)	2	1	3
Monarch Boy, b c by Merry Monarch.....(McKie)	4	3	2
Nellie Wilkes, ro m by Jayfoot.....(Morris)	3	4	4
Myrtha Pointer, b m by Star Pointer...(Brown)	5	5	dr

Time—1:07½, 1:08, 1:07½.

Fields and Boyd Challenge Cup, amateur, halfmile heats:

Uncle Tom, bl g by Monbars.....(Handford)	2	1	1
Chromo, bl g by Moko.....(Bell)	1	3	2
Morris Barker, b g by Walter Barker (Ripplinger)	3	2	3

Time—1:13, 1:12½, 1:13¾.

Second Day at Vancouver.

August 16.—The best trotting race ever pulled off on the Vancouver track took place today in the 2:25 trot for a purse of $1,000.

The nine starters represented almost every shade of breeding, the race going four heats before the winner was found. The winner, Floradora Z., is a handsome brown daughter of Zombro and now carries a race record of 2:19¼. She is owned by Messrs. McMormack & Cudaghy of Seattle and her dam was Flora G. by Altigo.

Frank D. Nichol, winner of second money and winner of the second heat in 2:20¾, is a bay stallion by the ex-champion Cresceus.

The winner of third money, Sea Waif, is a rangy brown mare by The King Red, dam Sea Queen by Vice Regent, and the winner of fourth money, Alta Mac, is by Redlac, dam by McKinney, and is possibly the most speedy of the lot but is very unsteady.

The other horses competing were Peter R., a grandson of Peter the Great, dam Miss Sunflower; Nellie B., bay mare by Hal B.; Hal McK. by Bonnie McK.; Novela by Letrado, and Beauty B. by Woodlock. The field was certainly a classy one and the fourth heat in the vicinity of 2:20 on a half mile track for horses the majority of which were making their first start of the season was exceptionally good.

The second race was the D. Class pace for matinee horses. The winner was May Putnam, a handsome black mare by Glendor 2:11¼, son of Red Medium, and her dam was Fannie Putnam, the well known race mare.

The winner of second money, Lady Tango, was also a three-year-old, very fashionably bred, being by Belmar son of Moko, dam Delbars 2:11¼ by Monbars. She stepped the third heat—the fastest of the race—in 1:10½.

The third race was the C. Class trot, mile heats, three heats, every heat a race, in which three descendants of Kinney Lou started, and was won by Susie G., who took a record of 2:27½ to win. The day in detail:

August 16—2:25 trot, purse $1,000:

Floradora Z., b m by Zombro....(McCormick)	1	2	1	1
Frank D. Nichol, b h by Cresceus....(Loomis)	6	1	2	6
Sea Waif, br m by The King Red (McMannus)	2	4	4	4
Alpha Mac, bl m by Redlac.....(Parker)	4	6	5	2
Al McK., b h by Bonnie McK.....(Bush)	7	3	8	3
Peter R., ch g by Blue Peter.....(Young)	8	7	3	5
Novela, b m by Letrado.....(Stetson)	3	8	6	7
Nellie B., b m by Hal B.....(Swisher)	5	5	7	8
Beauty B., b m by Woodlock.....(Wright)	9	dr		

Time—2:19¼, 2:20¾, ——, ——.

Class D pace, halfmile heats:

May Putnam, b m by Glendor.....(Millington)	1	1	2
Lady Tango, b m by Belmar.....(Burgoyne)	6	2	1
K. M. C., b g by B. C. King.....(Lochead)	2	3	3
Queen May, bl m by Oro Wilkes....(Birmingham)	3	6	4
Red Squirrel, ch g by Bland S.....(Loomis)	4	5	5
Comet, br g by Oliver J.....(McGuire)	5	4	6
Moko Jerome, b g by Belmar.....(Handford)	7	dr	

Time—1:11½, 1:12, 1:10½.

Class C trot:

Susie G., b m by McKinney.....(Steves)	1	1	1
Ameline Lou, br h by Kinney Lou.....(Steel)	2	2	4
Lou Nut, b g by Kinney Lou.....(Brown)	4	4	2
Alma Lou, bl m by Kinney Lou.....(Mason)	3	3	3
Special Blend, b g by Burtwood.....(Burgoyne)	5	5	dr

Time—2:29¼, 2:27½, 2:32½.

Third Day at Vancouver.

Tuesday, Aug. 17.—The races for today in connection with the Vancouver Exhibition Association were as usual up to a high standard. The 2:15 pace for a purse of $1,000, best three in five, brought out a field of exceptionally fast pacers, including Ella Erickson, bay mare by Diablo, dam Vevo by Altamont, owned by J. R. Jennings of Victoria and driven by Collie Wilson; Nic Nac, bay gelding by Alcone, owned and driven by W. B. Russell of Vancouver; Glenrose, black mare by Beaumont, dam Browney, owned by John Roberts of Spokane; Indian Hal, a full brother of the now famous Hal Boy and owned by S. A. Agnew of Centralia, Wash.; Prince Malone, chestnut gelding by Kinney Lou, dam Princess Beshum, driven by F. B. Loomis; Nigger Boy by Oregon Patch, dam Dictatress, owned by I. Rabi, North Yakima; Tillamook Maid by Zolock, and Scarlet Trent by Parovas, dam Rose Rial by Alcone.

Scarlet Trent, the bearcat of the Western Canada circuit, was the most extensively regarded in the race, but Glen Rose and Indian Hal were also highly considered. The winner proved to be Scarlet Trent, second money going to Tillamook Maid, third to Indian Hal and fourth to Prince Malone.

The field was a truly representative one and a race second to none of the halfmile tracks in the North Pacific circuit.

In the first heat Indian Hal made a break going away on the first turn, forcing Ella Erickson to a break and she in turn colliding with Prince Malone, breaking the wheels of both Ella Erickson's and Prince Malone's sulkies. Both horses were placed and in the remaining two heats Prince Malone gave a remarkably good account of himself, coming from behind every time and finishing a strong third. This horse has had no racing experience and has been trained on a mile track all this season, so he was, therefore, very considerably handicapped. He looks as though he would be a very speedy horse next season.

The second race was a B class pace, halfmile heats for British Columbia horses and brought forth a field of six, New Moon, a chestnut mare by Bonner N. B., Johnny D., bay gelding of unknown breeding, and Hal Scott, a brown horse by Hal B. being most highly regarded, the race being on the every-heat-a-race plan. The winner proved to be Hal Scott, who went three good half-miles in 1:07½, 1:07¼ and 1:06¾. Nellie Wilkes, out of the dam of William 1:58½, went a good race, finishing 3-3-2.

The third race was also a local affair for trotters and brought forth four slow steeds of mediocre capacity, the best bet being May Bells, a white-legged bay mare by Walter Barker. The best bred individual in the race was Bon Ladi, a handsome small black filly by Bon Voyage 2:08, dam Mag Ladi 2:07¼ by Del Norte, but she has not yet shown that she is likely to live up to her speed inheritance. The remaining entrants, Mac Seal and Sweet Nut, were by Red Seal and Bertwood respectively.

The winners were as shown by the summary. The only feature requiring remark was the second half by May Bells. This daughter of Walter Barker pulls an express wagon in the city and is a pretty considerable trotter when she takes a notion, but breaks badly at times. The details:

Tuesday, Aug. 17—2:15 pace, purse $1,000:

Scarlet Trent, b g by Parovas.....(Thompson)	1	1	1
Tillamook Maid, bl m by Zolock.....(Woodcock)	3	2	2
Indian Hal, br h by Hal B.....(Wilson)	2	5	4
Prince Malone, ch g by Kinney Lou.....(Loomis)	7	3	3
Nigger Boy, bl g by Oregon Patch.....(Lanse)	5	4	5
Glen Rose, bl m by Beaumont.....(Young)	4	6	7
Nic Nac, b g by Alcone.....(Rpssell)	6	7	6
Ella Erickson, b m by Diablo.....(Wilson)	8	ds	

Time—2:13¼, 2:13¼, 2:13¾.

Class B pace, halfmile heats:

Hal Scott, b h by Hal B.....(Stevenson)	1	1	1
Nellie Wilkes, ro m by Jayfoot.....(Morris)	3	3	2
Johnny D., b g untraced.....(Wright)	5	2	4
San Lucas Maid, ch m by Dictatus.....(Foster)	2	5	5
New Moon, ch m by Bonner N. B...(Thompson)	6	4	3
Lady Patrice, b m by Ben Z.....(McCullough)	4	6	6

Time—1:07¼, 1:07½, 1:06¾.

Class D trot, halfmile heats:

Mac Seal, b h by Red Seal.....(Fenn)	3	2	1
Sweet Nut, b m by Burtwood.....(Milloy)	1	4	2
May Bells, b m by Walter Barker...(McCullough)	4	1	4
Bon Ladi, bl m by Bon Voyage.....(Smith)	2	3	3

Time—1:27½, 1:17¾, 1:23.

Fourth Day at Vancouver.

Wednesday, Aug. 18.—Judged by the amount of interest and enthusiasm evoked from the grandstand on Wednesday afternoon, the harness races put up on that occasion elicited and merited the approval of a large audience, by all means the largest of the week.

The feature race was a free-for-all trot or pace, which was won in straight heats by Allerdaw, a well known campaigner on the North Pacific circuit, having taken a record of 2:09 on a half-mile track in A. L. Russell's hands some three years ago. The best horse in the race, however, was apparently Mr. McCullough's brown horse, Hal Stewart, a son of Hal Mercury and one that has been winning second money consistently all season throughout the prairies. The Frisco, J. H. LaRoux's good trotter and the only trotter in the race, put up a surprisingly good fight considering that he was very lame.

The three-year-old pace from a breeder's standpoint was more interesting than the feature race, as it covered three high class baby pacers. The winner of first money, Jim Sonnie of Spokane, is a fine-looking and fast colt but the winners of second and third money were more interesting locally, both being high class fillies. Lady Tango, winner of second money, was the Vancouver favorite, bred and raised here, a granddaughter of the great futurity sire Moko and out of Delbars 2:14¼ who, by the way, took second money in the next race, which was won by Alex Williams, Mr. Fenn's popular matinee pacer. Elsie J., brought down from Chilliwack, did not race up to expectations. The details:

Wednesday, Aug. 18—Free-for-all trot or pace, purse $500:

Allerdaw, br g by Allertonian.....(Hogoboom)	1	1	1
Hal Stewart, b g by Hal Mercury...(McCullough)	2	2	2
The Frisco, ch g by Caution.....(Le Roux)	4	3	3
Tosora, b m by The Patchen Boy.....(Stetson)	3	6	4
Dan L., b c by Sunrise.....(Bush)	6	4	6
Truxton King, ch h by Idol Chimes.....(Dooley)	5	5	5

Time—2:19½, 2:15¾, 2:16.

Three-year-old pace, purse $300:

Jim Sonnie, br c by Gerfalcon.....(Young)	1	1	1
Lady Tango, b f by Belmar.....(Burgoyne)	2	2	2
May Putnam, bl f by Glendor.....(Millington)	3	3	3
Recall, b c by Freddie C. Jr.....(Lanze)	4	4	4

Time—2:24½, 2:24¾, ——.

Class C pace, halfmile heats:

Alex Williams, bl g by The Patchen Boy..(Fenn)	1	1	1
Delbars, br m by Monbars.....(Burgoyne)	2	2	2
Elsie Johnson, b m by Dr. Wilkes.....(Morris)	3	4	3
Billy Button, b g.....(McCullough)	4	3	4

Time—1:10, 1:10, 1:09½.

Fifth Day at Vancouver.

Thursday, Aug. 19.—Today's program of harness races at the fair was robbed of its interest to a certain extent by the unfortunate accident which occurred to W. S. Marshall's Olga S. in the second heat of the free-for-all when, rounding in the first turn in the second half of the heat, she was seen to falter and stop. The veterinary failed to find any broken bones but the mare was in great distress and will probably be unable to race again. This, and the withdrawal of Baldue in the same race owing to sickness, left Hal Scott easily the monarch of the field and the winner in straight heats, best time 2:19½. Johnny D. and Monarch Boy, however, furnished a high class race for second position, the latter winning the place in the second heat and would probably have won the third but for striking his knee and going lame when rounding into the home stretch.

The two-year-old trot or pace brought out four well bred and breedy looking youngsters. Captain Mc. and K. M. C. were easily the best in the field and the race between them for first place was a very classy one, the decision, however, going each heat to the Captain. This colt is a son of The Bondsman, known all over the world as the sire of Colorado E. (3) 2:04¾ by many regarded as the greatest three-year-old ever bred, and the Captain colt today justified the expectations which had been entertained regarding him as a high class prospect. The Captain hails from Oregon. K. M. C., the winner of second money, is a local product, being by J. W. Hollingshead's good stallion B. C. King, dam Arketa by McKinney, and this colt was a contender all the way. The winner of third money, C. A. Harrison's filly Boniquee by Count Boni, a full brother to Bonaday 2:11¼, dam Niquee 2:13¼ by Joe Patchen 2:10¾, is a handsome filly but either did not like the going or was short on training. The same is true of Red Squirrel, Jas. McMynn's handsome Bland S. colt.

In the third race another accident occurred, this time in the last heat of the race, when Geo. Bell's Chromo collided with the fence, throwing Mr. Bell and spraining his ankle severely. This was an exceptionally good race, Choromo taking his first two heats by narrow margins from Morris Barker, while Morris Barker won the last heat with Lou Nut, who had been fourth in the first two, as a contender. Though the fields were not as large as in former days the finishes were close enough to create interest. The wild horse races, relay races and bucking contests were as usual interesting and exciting. The summary:

Thursday, Aug. 19—Free-for-all pace, B. C. horses:

Hal Scott, b h by Hal B.....(Stevenson)	1	1	1
Johnny D., b g untraced.....(Smith)	2	3	2
Monarch Boy, b g by Merry Monarch...(McKee)	3	2	3
Olga S., b m by Diablo.....(Marshall)	4	dr	

Time—2:21¼, 2:19¼, 2:23½.

Two-year-old trot or pace, halfmile heats, purse $400:

Captain Mc., b c by The Bondsman...(Woodcock)	1	1	1
K. M. C., b c by B. C. King.....(Lockhead)	2	2	2
Boniquee, b f by Count Boni.....(Stetson)	3	4	3
Red Squirrel, ch g by Bland S.....(Loomis)	4	3	4

Time—1:10½, 1:14, 1:14½.

Class B trot:

Cromo, bl g by Moko.....(Bell)	1	1	4
Morris Barker, b g by Walter Barker.(Riplinger)	2	2	1
Lou Nut, b h by Kinney Lou.....(Brown)	4	4	2
Uncle Tom, bl g by Monbars.....(Hanford)	3	3	3

Time—2:24½, 2:22¼, 2:20½.

The time of the two heats in which William beat Directum I. averages just a quarter of a second slower than that of the two heats in which Directum I. beat William.

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The program of the Riverside District Fair is out, and the association has stood firmly to its promise to provide an opportunity for trotting horse folks to pick up a bit of money, the condensed program being as follows: Tuesday, Oct. 5, 2:30 trot, $300, and 2:23 pace, $300; Wednesday, Oct. 6, 2:09 pace, $500, and 2:14 trot, $300; Friday, Oct. 8, 2:20 trot, $300, and 2:18 pace, $300; Saturday, Oct. 9, 2:14 pace, $300, and 2:10 trot, $500, a number of matinee events rounding out the day in each instance. Entries close Wednesday, Sept. 15, and blanks with full particulars may be had upon application to Secretary O. P. Sanders. The Riverside oval is the fastest two-lap course in the state, and horsemen racing there last season were quick to say a good word for the management and the plant, both being OK in every particular. The association holds membership in the N. T. A.

Exposition Horse Shows

In connection with the general horse show that it will conduct from September 30 to October 13, the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco will have a special horse show, which its promoters believe will demonstrate to the world that the horse is as high in popular esteem as ever. It is pointed out that he is recovering from the blow given him by the automobile just as he recovered from the blow given him by the bicycle.

This is true particularly in the fashionable world, where the automobile is being used for rapid travel over great distances, but the family carriage is again in favor by people of elegance for purely family purposes, for comfort and ease; where the tally-ho coach and the tandem and the high-seated cart are as popular as ever.

Above all, the saddle horse is said to be more in demand than ever, for both sport and pleasure, the out-of-door man and woman delighting especially in the hunter and jumper.

The special horse show will be, in addition, an important society event, as such shows usually are, wherever held. Among the patrons and patronesses are such prominent social leaders and judges of horses as Mr. and Mrs. Stotesbury of Philadelphia; J. Campbell Thompson of New York; General and Mrs. J. B. Castleman of Louisville, Ky.; John D. Crimmins of New York; A. C. Leonard of Chicago; Fred Pabst of Oconomowoc, Wis.; General and Mrs. John J. Preshing, U. S. A.; Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Treat of Seattle; Mr. and Mrs. George Wingfield of Reno, Nev.; Major and Mrs. J. C. Harbord, U. S. A.; Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Farrell of Portland, Ore.; Joseph K. Maddux of Warrenton, Va., and others well known throughout the country.

Among the Californians who will be patrons and patronesses are Howard Huntington, Mr. and Mrs. J. Cheever Cowdin, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. De Pue, Mrs. Phoebe A. Hearst, Mrs. Henry J. Crocker, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Drum, Mr. and Mrs. E. O. McCormick, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Miner, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hamlin Dupee, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip E. Bowles and others of equal note.

This special show will include all the horses of the performance classes at the exposition; such as roadsters; carriage horses, including high steppers, tandem teams, three and five-gaited harness horses and four-in-hands; ponies in harness, draft horses, hunters and jumpers, gaited saddle horses, saddle ponies.

The judging for the special horse show will take place each day, beginning at 2 p. m. in the forum of the department of live stock, which is a large elliptical area, with ample seating capacity for thousands of people. There is ample opportunity in this forum for displaying all of a horse's performance to best advantage.

Numerous special events of extraordinary interest will take place in conjunction with the horse show. One of these will be an open one-mile trot under saddle, governed by the rules of the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders' Association, the first prize being $200, the second $100 and the third $50. Prizes of like amount will be awarded to the winners of a mounted police race, of one mile; steeple chase and hurdle race. There will be a polo pony dash of half a mile, for members of a polo club, the ponies participating in which must have been played regularly during one season. In this dash, and in a relay race of two miles from which cowboys are barred, also in a saddle tandem race of six furlongs, the prizes will be $100, $75 and $50. There will be a relay race of two miles for cowboys and one of the same distance for cowgirls, the prizes in each being $200, $100 and $50.

In the Panama-Pacific International jumping contest, over the horse show jumps, the first prize will be $150, second $100, third $75, fourth $50.

The greatest of the special events will be a five-mile marathon four-in-hand race, over the exposition race course, for prizes of $250, $150 and $100.

Particular interest is being evinced in the exhibition of the hunting and jumping classes. Some famous hunters and jumpers have been entered for these contests, the contestants to be ridden over post and rail, 4 feet; brush jump, 4 feet 6 inches; in and out jump, 3 feet 9 inches, 20 feet apart, and a water jump of 8 feet. All riders in these events must be neatly and suitably attired.

Ladies' hunters will be another strong attraction. These must be ridden by ladies, over four successive jumps, which will be 3 feet of timber with 12 inches of brush on top.

Prizes will be given for the best, second best and third best pair of hunters, to be ridden abreast over two jumps 4 feet high, and two jumps over 3 feet 6 inches of timber with 6 inches of brush on top.

The high jump contest will be over unlimited twine tied bars; for the first trial placed at 5 feet 6 inches. They will then be raised 6 inches at a time until the contest is decided. Each horse will be given three trials at each height.

The Grafton long jump, free for all, will be held over pasteboard boxes. The first jump will be about 13 feet, two feet being added for each jump afterwards.

Hunters ridden by members enjoying full privileges of a recognized hunt club, in their club costume, will be eligible in the corinthian class, for which cups will be given as prizes.

There will be trophies for the best hunter exceeding 14.2 hands, for the best amateur performance over four successive timber jumps not less than four feet in height, for the best type of saddle horse shown in hand, any age; for the best polo pony, best park hack, best ladies' saddle horse and other specially desirable types.

The applications for entry blanks for the exposition horse show have been so numerous that the supply of blanks became exhausted early in August and a new supply had to be provided.

CONSIDINE FUTURITY CANDIDATE WORKS WELL AT LEXINGTON.

Lexington, Aug. 13.—A number of fast moves were reported at the track today, the one attracting the most attention being that of the two-year-old colt, Suldine (1) 2:24¾, (2) 2:17¼, that stepped two miles for H. C. Moody in 2:13¾ and 2:12¼ with the last quarter of the second mile in 32¼ seconds. The colt was started in the two-year-old trot at the Blue Grass Fair last Friday and after winning the first heat handily in 2:17¼ made breaks in subsequent heats and landed back in the ruck in each of the remaining three. With a week's rest and a change of shoes Moody brought the colt out this morning, breezed him a handy mile in 2:13¾, which attracted considerable attention, and a few minutes later stepped the mile in 2:12¼, doing it so impressively that it caused no little favorable comment. The mile was timed by J. R. Magowan in 2:12 and Lewis Ellis in 2:11 3-5, but 2:12¼ is what Moody's watch registered. His performance today makes him like a good Futurity candidate, were not the chestnut filly Volga in the list of eligibles. Moody said that he believed Suldine would surely have won the race on Friday, but that he believed him a bit short of work and the track that day was stinging his feet. With Forest B., winner of the race, Suldine is the fastest two-year-old colt of the season to date, while Forest B.'s race is probably the fastest four-heat race on record so early in the season for a two-year-old.—Western Horseman.

Ed Geers, who was one of the judges of the match races at North Randall, set a new record for himself that day without even having a horse in harness—he was serving as a judge for the first time in his life, which is some record when you stop to think about it. Our notion is that Marse Ed's frequent appearance in an official capacity would be in no way detrimental to the sport, but the trouble is to catch him taking a "day off" from racing.

DEATH CLAIMS JOHN CONDON.

From cumulative effects of paralysis John Condon died August ninth at his home in Chicago. He was born at Crestline, Ohio, June 1, 1854, but was taken to Indiana when a child and grow to manhood at Logansport, in that state, from which circumstances it was his custom to call himself a Hoosier. Coming to Chicago late in the seventies or early in the eighties, he soon became a leader in the wide open gambling that then prevailed here, not as a gambler of note personally, but as a backer and a reaper of profits. His first connection with racing was when in partnership with George Hankins, Harry Varnell, "Billy" Weightman and others he took possession of the old West Side Park and calling it Garfield Park carried on the sport there on the lavish scale until that disastrous day arrived on which Captain Jim Brown was slain after he had killed Policeman Powers. That tragedy led to the instant abandonment of racing at Garfield Park, but not to Condon's loss of interest in the sport on its strictest commercial side. In racing as a sport he took no interest, and hardly knew the difference between a thoroughbred and a Percheron. But as owner, part owner, or stockholder he was from time to time subsequently connected with such racing plants as those at Harlem, Worth, Oaklawn, Ideal Park, New Orleans Fair Grounds, Lakeside, Oakland and Fort Erie. At the time of his death he was the reputed sole owner of the Harlem track, a property in which he took great pride. It was a great money-maker for him when racing flourished there and has been kept in good condition since racing ceased there seven years ago. Some of his racing ventures cost him dearly, that at Oaklawn, Hot Springs, Ark., in particular. It was not because of lack of good judgment in making them to start with, but because adverse legislation or other circumstances enforced the cessation of racing and the loss of certain profits.

One of the most spectacular incidents of Mr. Condon's career was his warfare with Ed Corrigan, who battled for a share of the gambling profits from turf operations. His fight for privileges at Washington Park track is reported to have led to the closing of racing in Chicago.

The dead man was combative and masterful, but not uncourteous. He was a leader in most of the enterprises with which he was concerned, many of them being in strictly legitimate lines of business. His name is not one that will soon be forgotten in Chicago. He had been blind for many years.

Condon's recreation was art collecting, and his home contained a remarkable gallery.—Thoroughbred Record.

Thoroughbreds Draw Good Crowds

Whether or not Californians still cherish the old affection for the thoroughbred is no longer a matter of conjecture, as Saturday's crowd was by far the largest that has gathered at the exposition track for any event aside from the auto races, and the continued attendance throughout the week at the G. G. T. B. A. meeting has been of most gratifying proportions. There have been larger crowds on California race courses, there have been richer stakes and faster fields, and there have been individual wagers in the course of one afternoon's play by some of the old-time plungers that would, perhaps, have covered every dollar that changed hands Saturday, but there never was a cleaner day's racing or a crowd whose attendance was actuated more largely by a regard for racing for the racing's sake. There was, of course, a certain amount of wagering between friends in the grandstand, as is the case at a sporting contest of any and every description, and down on the grounds and in the neighborhood of the saddling paddock those so inclined and familiar with the race course and its ways might find a few quiet voiced men idling about who would take any wager of their choosing, but these sharpshooters were operating on their own responsibility and "open betting," in any way resembling the old protected system, was conspicuous by its absence, and the percentage of those present who really "had a bet down" was very small.

While the sun steadfastly refused to shine and the fog hung low over the surrounding hills, there was practically no wind and the afternoon was in no way unpleasant. The flag poles topping the grandstand had been newly furnished with pennants of the association colors, blue and gold, and more ornate streamers floated from the staffs on the roof of the club house in the infield, which was the center of the afternoon's social activities on the part of members and their guests. Autos were admitted on the back stretch, and many machines were parked in the rear of the athletic grounds. The crowd gave evidence of the widespread popularity of the thoroughbred in eloquent fashion, as it was recruited from all classes of society and rich and poor rubbed shoulders and capital and labor forgot their long-standing feud while watching 'em gallop around the turns and through the stretch to the wire.

The opening day was marred by no accident or untoward event of any kind, and the racing was clean and in most cases sharp, the stretch drive between Brynlimah and Rash, both piloted by former king pin jockeys of the days gone by, Bullman and Gross, bringing the spectators to their feet with a cheer. The seven races went off without a hitch and the crowd was well entertained all afternoon. There was music in plenty, and the time between races passed quickly. One of the most pleasing features of a special nature was the parade of the thoroughbreds and Arabians from Mrs. Anita Baldwin's famous establishment in Southern California, the horses groomed to the minute and the attendants attractively garbed in natty livery. Preceded by a standard bearer displaying the Baldwin device, the horses twice passed the stand in the following order: Rey el Santa Anita, Reina de Los Angeles, Norito, Reina de Santa Anita, Adalid, and the Arabians Mahruss, Nedjme, Nedjrez, Shireen and Cibolo.

In very few instances did Starter Stevens keep his fields at the post save for a moment or so, and the starts on the whole were good. Bad actors are present in copious quantities and no starter can handle these with more than a certain degree of satisfaction, but Stevens seems to have that degree well developed. The other officials in direct charge of the meeting are James C. Nealon, secretary; Pres. C. W. Clark, Dr. S. P. Tate and H. T. Griffin, acting stewards; W. B. Jennings, presiding judge; A. Sydney Ashe and J. Cheever Cowdin, associate judges; W. B. Jennings, John M. Crane and C. T. Boots, racing committee; J. A. McGovern and J. C. Quinlan, patrol judges; J. S. Rothert, clerk of scales; Richard Dywer, paddock judge. The daily events appear in condensed form as follows:

First Day—Saturday, August 21.

First race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $300; Daniels & Hodges' bl g Master Franklin (3) by Modred—Zirl, 108 lbs., (Palms) won driving; Azurea, 110, second; Stelcliff, 112, third; Leford, Mark Kennedy, Fort Johnson, Sonoma, Rooster and Sheffield also ran. Time, 1:08.

Second race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $300; W. J. Dunn's br m Thistle Belle (aged) by Knight of Thistle—Belturbet, 106 lbs., (Palms) won easily; Old Bob, 108, second; Marta Mac, 106, third; Aunt Elsie, Zenotek, Quick, Ann Tilly and John Hurie also ran. Time, 1:07½.

Third race—Five furlongs, two-year-olds, purse $300; George Van Gordien's ch f Rose Marian (2) by General Roberts—Rose Cherry, 120 lbs., (Kirschbaum) won in a gallop; Friskey, 115, second; Toastmaster, 111, third; Mary Jay also ran. Time, 1:02.

Fourth race—Exposition handicap, one mile, $1,000 added; John Lowe's ch g Brynlimah (5) by Bryn Mawr—Notlimah, 102 lbs., (Bullman) won driving; Rash, 107, second; John Graham, 107, third; Be and Lovins also ran. Time, 1:40.

Fifth race—One mile and a sixteenth, selling, purse $300; J. R. East's b g Chas. W. Hodges (aged) by Woolthorpe—Lily M., 117 lbs., (Burns) won driving; Brando, 110, second; Rey, 111, third; Lady M. M., Fairly and Electrowan also ran. Time, 1:48.

Sixth race—One mile, selling, purse $300; Portland Stable's br g Eastman (aged) by John F.—Peggy, 112 lbs., (Gross) won easily; Nebraska Lass, 110, second; Ceos, 112, third; Sorrowful, Wise Mason and Renwar also ran. Time, 1:42½.

Seventh race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $300; R. Macias' ch m Theodorita (4) by Dick Welles—Anna Brooks,

103 lbs., (Gentry) won easily; Butter Ball, 115, second; Far Cathay, 113, third; Hardy, Zangaree, El Pato, Madelle, Zamloch, Rey Shannon II. and Pro Realis also ran. Time, 1:14⅕.

Second Day—Monday, August 23.

First race—Five furlongs, selling, purse $250: J. Randolph's br h Uncle Jimmy Gray (aged) by Bonnie Joe—Mary Hill, 101 lbs., (Gentry) won in a gallop; Ida (3), 101, second; Vesta (3), 96, third; Laura James, Sir Barry, Vireo and Smoky Dan also ran. Time, 1:01⅘.

Second race—Five furlongs, selling, purse $250: F. Rinehart's b g The Feller (6) by The Major—Rubiana, 110 lbs., (Imes) won handily; Frances G. (4), 107, second; Diadi (4), 108, third; Category, Ida Cummings, Tordillo, Marie O'Brien, Fred T., Otto Kahn and Whistling Jennie also ran. Time, 1:02.

Third race—Seven furlongs, selling, purse $300: J. Duncan & Sons' ch m Lady M. M. (aged) by Rey el Santa Anita—Bella Donna, 116 lbs., (Roberts) won easily; Gano (3), 112, second; Ora McGee (6), 116, third; Ceos and Cantem also ran. Time, 1:29.

Fourth race—One mile, selling, purse $300: J. R. East's b g Chas. W. Hodges (aged) by Woolthorpe—Lilly M., 108 lbs., (Burns) won easily; El Pato (6), 98, second; Brando (6), 107, third; Rey and Rey Shannon II. also ran. Time, 1:40⅗.

Fifth race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: L. B. Wood's br g Sweetbait (4) by Fisher Boy—Cupboard Love, 118 lbs., (Murphy) won driving; Henry Wallbank (aged), 113, second; Choctaw (6), 118, third; McAlan, Transparent, Custom House, Southern Gold, Orba Smile and Old Coin also ran. Time, 1:14⅘.

Sixth race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $300: W. J. Duncan's br m Thistle Belle (aged) by Knight of Thistle—Relturbet, 108 lbs., (Palms) won driving; Faustina (5), 109, second; Baby Lynch (3), 96, third; Charity Ward, Camia, Finnigan, Commendation and Delmas also ran. Time, 1:08.

Third Day—August 24.

First race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: J. B. Clark's br m Sorrowful (aged) by Bannockburn—Trauer, 100 lbs., (Gentry) won driving; Tordillo (3), 102, second; Rhodes (4), 104, third; Renwar, Lovey Johnny and Zinkand also ran. Time, 1:15⅗.

Second race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: Howard & McDonough's b g Eureka (aged) by Trappean—Lady Newin, 108 lbs., (Burns) won easily; Aunt Elsie (4), 101, second; Old Bob (3), 104, third; Tom Chapman, Teeto, Miss Genevieve, Tallow Dip and Viva also ran. Time, 1:06¾.

Third race—Five furlongs, selling, two-year-olds, purse $250: T. B. Munford's br g Brookes (2) by Leonid—Insolence, 107 lbs., (Palms) won driving; Toastmaster (2), 107, second; Laughing Water (2), 97, third; Lola and Ojita also ran. Time, 1:03¼.

Fourth race—Seven furlongs, selling, purse $300: J. McCarthy's br h Metropolitan (aged) by Filigrane—Annie Thompson, 118 lbs., (Gross) won easily; Canapa (aged), 113, second; Darkey (5), 115, third. Sweetbait, Pro Realis, Hardy and Sheepland also ran. Time, 1:28.

Fifth race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $300: R. G. Brown's br m Miss Folly (4) by Bonnie Joe—La Dotta, 109 lbs., (Hawkins) won driving; Master Franklin (3), 107, second; Quick (5), 106, third; Mary Emily, Miss Clark, John Hurie, Ed Luce, Briton and Breezer also ran. Time, 1:08.

Sixth race—Six furlongs, purse $300: F. T. Shortell's ch g Kootenay (aged) by Ben Strome—My Beauty, 132 lbs., (O'Mahoney) won easing up; Bc (6), 113, second; Louise Paul (5), 111, third; Stolen Ante and Lovins also ran. Time, 1:15.

Fourth Day—Wednesday, August 25.

First race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: M. Doyle's br g Valadolid (5) by Mizzen—Valencia, 110 lbs., (Clampitt) won handily; Lillian Ray (aged), 113, second; Miss Tempo (4), 108, third; Fort Johnson, Fred T., Sheffield, Bunny, Tallow Dip, Rooster, Igloo and Lone Star also ran. Time, 1:15⅕.

Second race—One mile, selling, purse $250: H. Butler's ch m Christmas Eve (4) by Dick Welles—Bessie Spahr, 101 lbs., (Gentry) won driving; Eastman (aged), 108, second; Henry Walbank (aged), 109, third; Prince Conrad, Electrowan, Sir Barry and Fairly also ran. Time, 1:14¾.

Third race—Five furlongs, selling, purse $250: T. Mills' b g Bally Beers (aged) by Liberty—Unknown, 108 lbs., (Burns) won driving; Apache Kid (5), 108, second; Carondelet (aged), 110, third; Roseas, Jennie Crawford, Kate Stanfield, Vireo and Sweetdale also ran. Time, 1:01¾.

Fourth race—Five and a half furlongs, handicap, purse $300: Tigue & Bussey's bl g Seneca (aged) by Disguise—Swiftfoot, 112 lbs., (Warren) won driving; Kootenay (aged), 107, second; Loftus (4), 118, third; Orange Blossom also ran. Time, 1:06¾.

Fifth race—One mile, selling, purse $300: John Lowe's ch g Brynlimah (5) by Bryn Mawr—Notlimah, 103 lbs., (Gentry) won driving; Rash (aged), 108, (Gross) second; John Graham (aged), 108, third; Zoroaster also ran. Time, 1:40.

Sixth race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: El Paso Stable's b g Butter Ball (aged) by Sempronius—Miss Jordan, 115 lbs., (Burns) won driving; Marta Mac (4), 113, second; Loan Shark (5), 110, third; Delaney, Azurea, Marie O'Brien, Far Cathay and Stelcliff also ran. Time, 1:14.

Fifth Day—Thursday, August 26.

First race—Five furlongs, selling, purse $250: W. W. Ashe's br m Quantity (6) by Galore—Battledore, 111 lbs., (Nolan) won driving; Renwar (4), 113, second; Mi Alma (3), 106, third; Bob Love, B. C. Winston, Otto Kahn, Miss Sedalia, Wernras, Doc Stanley and Wynema also ran. Time, 1:03.

Second race—Five furlongs, selling, purse $250: J. Randolph's br g Leford (4) by Bonnie Joe—Lady Lee, 108 lbs., (Gentry) won easily; Mintanka (5), 113, second; Russell McGill (6), 113, third; Milton Barber, Effie May, Moller and Smoky Dan also ran. Time, 1:02.

Third race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: Foster & Singleton's b m Frances G. (4) by Rapid Water—Constanza, 113 lbs., (Frach) won driving; Madelle (5), 113, second; Ida (3), 104, third; Mark Kennedy, Far Cathay, Sorrowful, Augustus Heinze and Auto Maid also ran. Time, 1:14⅘.

Fourth race—One mile, selling, purse $300: M. V. Parker's ch g Rey (aged) by Tim Payne—La Hindoo, 111 lbs., (Mahoney) won easily; Brando (6), 108, second; Gano (3), 105, third; Ora McGee, Commendation, Zamlock, Pro Realis and Fairly also ran. Time, 1:40⅗.

Fifth race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: G. Billerman's b g Diadi (4) by Bowling Green—Lady Dotte, 115 lbs., (Ormes) won driving; Fred T. (3), 106, second; Southern Gold (aged), 115, third; Vesta, Criterion, Viva and Queen Bergy also ran. Time, 1:15⅕.

Sixth race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $300: R. Macias' ch m Theodorita (4) by Dick Welles—Anna Brooks, 112 lbs., (Bullman) won easily; Louise Paul (5), 112, second; El Pato (6), 109, third; Darkey, Nannie McDee and Lady M. M. also ran. Time, 1:14⅘.

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Volga, the Pastime Stable's candidate for the junior trotting divisions of the futurities, worked the North Randall track last week in 2:10⅗, with a half in 1:00⅖. If she stays sound she ought, by all appearances, put crimp in that 2:07¾ mark of Native Belle's.

DICK W. WINS STADIUM FEATURE.

Sunday wasn't the finest day in the world for racing "overhead," nor was the going especially fast "underfoot," but a good crowd gathered early in the afternoon at the Stadium in Golden Gate Park and enjoyed five nice contests in which the time was most creditable. Only one race developed split heats, the 2:18 pace, and that was largely on account of a break in the first mile on the part of Emma M., Billy Malough not getting her squared away in time to catch her field again, King Pointer winning from pretty well back. Emma regained the "edge" on the back stretch in the second heat and annexed both it and the third in handy fashion.

Miss San Francisco, who was formerly known to the matinee goers as Soreta, made her first appearance of the season and won from St. Patrick in two close finishes, having to make up considerable distance in the second on account of a break. Ella M. R. also made her debut as a fun trotter, but appeared a bit short of work as yet.

Dick W., Bondalean, Bradmont, Mabel Dillon and Pointer Belle were the entries for the free-for-all pace and finished both heats in the order named, the Sacramento three-year-old forcing Dick W. to step in 2:09¾ and 2:10½, two excellent miles. Bondalean is a high class youngster and continues to look good for this fall's futurities.

Happy Dentist speared the 2:15 pace in rather comfortable style, as did G. J. P. the mixed event. Jack was game and consistent but didn't have old Happy's brush, while Senator H. was unsteady. The summary:

First race—2:18 pace:
Emma M. .....(William Malough) 5 1 1
King Pointer .....(H. Campodonico) 1 4 5
Palatea .....(J. Kramer) 2 2 3
Tom Murphy .....(E. T. Ayres) 4 5 2
Victor Pointer .....(D. Keating) 3 3 4
Time—2:15, 2:16, 2:17.

Second race—Free-for-all trot:
Miss San Francisco.....(Al Schwartz) 1 1
St. Patrick .....(J. J. Ryan) 2 2
Ella M. R.....(G. P. Machado) 3 3
Time—2:16, 2:16.

Third race—Free-for-all pace:
Dick W. .....(A. Ottinger) 1 1
Bondalean .....(Chas. Silva) 2 2
Bradmont .....(G. J. Giannini) 3 2
Mabel Dillon .....(B. Cohen) 4 4
Pointer Belle .....(J. Kidd) 5 5
Time—2:09¾, 2:10½.

Fourth race—2:15 pace:
Happy Dentist .....(J. J. Ryan) 1 1
Jack .....(McDonnell & Conlan) 2 3
Hamburg Belle .....(J. Ginocchio) 3 2
Senator H. .....(J. Kidd) 4 4
Time—2:14, 2:14½.

Fifth race—2:25 mixed:
G. J. P.....(R. Consani) 1 1
Cookey .....(J. Vermet) 2 2
Ateka .....(B. Cohen) 3 3
Time—2:20, 2:20½.

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Empire City Park has been given an official OK as to health and sanitary conditions, and the Grand Circuit meeting will be held there next week as originally scheduled—weather permitting!

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Murray Anderson, who is racing the eastern string of the International 1:55 Horse Farm, uncovered a nice trotter recently at Janesville, Wis., in the four-year-old filly Gay Patch by Dan Patch. Starting in twelfth position in a field of fifteen she was seventh the first heat, second in the second, and won the next three, the third heat in 2:16¼ being the fastest of the race. She must have some real stuff in her, as the bunch hung up what must have been nearly a world's record in scoring, and the "critics" report that the longer the race lasted, the easier she won.

Rain Mars Racing on the Big Line

Second Day at Montreal.

Montreal, August 20—While there was some fast time and some sharp racing in the class races on today's program, the big event, the King George stake for 2:08 trotters, was a disappointment, the time being slow and Peter Scott having things very much his own way. Only four starters appeared for what should have been the feature event of the week, and none of them could make Scott extend himself.

The real surprise of the day was the performance of the Montana bred pacer Yedno, now owned by F. J. Daly of Petersboro, Ontario, the daughter of Bob Fitzsimmons reeling off her winning heats in 2:07¾, 2:05½ and 2:02½, Billy Dale being her nearest competitor in the fast mile.

The 2:10 trot was one of the best contests seen on the big line this season, the contending horses being right after the money from the jump, and all three on the trot. Lizzie Brown, who headed the summary in a "five heater" at Kalamazoo, was returned winner after both Mirthful and Reusens had taken a heat apiece, the daughter of The Bondsman being first or second at the wire each time out, in time from 2:07¾ to 2:08¾. Charley Valentine was the busiest man on the track, as in addition to winning with Lizzie he was second to Murphy in the trot with Victor Star and third in the pace with Altawood. The summary:

Montreal, August 20—The King George, 2:08 trot, purse $5,000:
Peter Scott, br h by Peter the Great....(Murphy) 1 1 1
Victor Star, b g by Star Simmons.....(Valentine) 2 3 2
Duchess, ro m by Allerteen.....(McDonald) 3 4 3
Wilgo (Marvin) also started.
Time—2:10½, 2:11, 2:09½.

2:08 pace, purse $1,000:
Yedno, br m by Bob Fitzsimmons.....(Fogarty) 1 1 1
Billy Dale, b g by Dale Patchen.....(Cox) 5 3 2
Altawood, gr m by Altonwood.....(Valentine) 6 2 3
Margot Hal (McDonald), Ben Locanda (Murphy), Fern Hal (McPherson), Budd Elliott (Geers) also started.
Time—2:07¾, 2:05½, 2:02½.

2:10 trot, purse $1,000:
Lizzie Brown, b m by The Bondsman....
.....(Valentine) 2 1 2 1 1
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen ....
.....(Murphy) 1 3 3 2 2
Reusens, ch g by Prince of India..(Rodney) 3 2 1 3 3
Bonington (Geers) and Grand Marshall (Snow) also started.
Time—2:07¾, 2:08¾, 2:08½, 2:08½, 2:08½.

Third Day at Montreal.

Montreal, Aug. 21.—Tommy Murphy put over two winners here today, taking both his starts in straight heats without being seriously endangered at any time. Hal S. took the 2:15 pacers into camp very handily, the best contender being the Hal B. gelding Hal Chief that has been racing out on the Canadian prairies on the two-lap tracks. Mr. Geers was third with Prestolite, and Miss Harris M., the three-year-old Peter the Great filly that Lon McDonald is hardening up for the pacing futurities, caught the flag in the second heat. Frank Bogash Jr., making his initial bow for the season in the free-for-all pace, landed in a soft spot and never was truly extended, though Earl Jr. made him go the final heat in 2:03.

R. H. Brett, having gotten away from some of the bearcats that trimmed him earlier in the season, paced three nice heats in the first race. The only split heat event of the day was the trot for Canadian horses. Aulsbrook taking the money after May Case had won two heats from Robert Allerton. The weather outlook tonight is not auspicious, and Monday's card may be carried over a day. The results:

Montreal, Aug. 21—2:05 pace, purse $1,000:
R. H. Brett, b g by Waponee.....(Grady) 1 1 1
Grand Opera, b g by Claus Forrester....(Neville) 2 2 3
The Assessor, ch g by Walter Direct..(McMahon) 4 3 2
Del Rey, b h by Nutwood Wilkes.....(Cox) 3 ds
Time—2:04¾, 2:05¾, 2:05¼.

2:15 pace, purse $1,000:
Hal S., ro h by Hal Chaffin.....(Murphy) 1 1 1
Hal Chief, b g by Hal B.....(Matheson) 2 2 2
Prestolite, br m by Don Varick.....(Geers) 3 3 3
Miss Harris M. (3), b f by Peter the Great....
.....(McDonald) 4 ds
Time—2:09½, 2:06¾, 2:08½.

Free-for-all pace, purse $1,000:
Frank Bogash Jr., b g by Frank Bogash (Murphy) 1 1 1
Earl Jr., gr h by The Earl.....(Cox) 2 2 2
King Couchman, br g by Atlantic King(Valentine) 4 3 3
Hal Connor, br h by Argot Hal.....(Geers) 3 4 4
Time—2:04½, 2:07¼, 2:03.

Special trot, Canadian horses only, purse $1,500:
Aulsbrook, bl h by Bingara.....(Bastien) 5 4 1 1 1
May Case, b m by Judge Case....(Larente) 1 1 6 7 3
Robert Allerton, b g by Nixon...(Robillard) 2 2 3 8 4
Keynote (Gignas), Drestillion (Simard), Ismalian (St. Vincent), Harold K. (Vandalae), McCash (——) also started.
Time—2:16½, 2:14¾, 2:16, 2:16¼, 2:16.

Fourth Day at Montreal.

Montreal, Aug. 24.—The rain promised the latter part of last week materialized in due time and ample quantity, causing Monday's card to be carried over until today, the events being contested over a heavy track, some seconds slow. Patrick M. took the first heat of the 2:12 pace, but had to give way for the balance of the race to the Canadian-owned pacer Yedno, who set the local track record at 2:02½ last week. Russell Boy was "in form" for Ed Geers and annexed the big end of the 2:10 pace in straight heats, the surprise of that event being the failure of Hal Boy to be in the money, this being the first start of the season in which the little fellow failed to be a hot contender. Like Directum I., he favors a rather hard, fast track.

Sadie S. started in to win the 2:15 trot for Tommy Murphy, but failed to deliver but one heat, the other three going to Senator McMillan's new purchase, Loe Blossom, the event being her first win of the year on the big line. Only one heat of the special pace was contested, William winning in the slow time of 2:04. The summary:

Montreal, Aug. 24.—2:12 pace, purse $100:
Yedno, br m by Bob Fitzsimmons....(Fogarty) 4 1 1 1
Patrick M., bl g by Norbells.....(Stokes) 1 4 2 2
Fern Hal, br m by Gold Hal.....(McPherson) 2 2 3 3
Camelia and Dustless McKinney also started.
Time—2:10¼, 2:11½, 2:12¾, 2:12¾.

The Greater Montreal, 2:10 pace, $3000:
Russell Boy, b h by Rustic Patenter.....(Geers) 1 1 1
Judge Ormonde, bl h by Ormonde....(Valentine) 5 2 2
Peter Farren, b h by Peter the Great...(Murphy) 3 4 4
Lustrous McKiney, Aconite, Hal Boy also started.
Time—2:09, 2:08, 2:07¼.

2:15 trot, purse $1000:
Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide.....(Wall) 2 1 1 1
Sadie S., b m by Archdale.....(Murphy) 1 3 2 2
Jeannette Speed, b m by Peter the Great (Cox) 3 2 3 3
Idora Worthy and Tommy Todd also started.
Time—2:14, 2:13, 2:12¾, 2:10¾.

Special pace, purse $5,000 (unfinished):
William, b h by Abe J.....(Marvin) 1
Directum I., ch h by Directum Kelly.....(Murphy) 2

Second Postponement at Montreal.

Montreal, Aug. 25.—The footing at Dorval Park today was so heavy owing to recent showers that the entire program, including the unfinished match race between William and Directum I., was carried over. Conditions permitting, racing will be resumed tomorrow.

NOTES and NEWS

Nancy Hanks 2:04 has passed to the great beyond.

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The Ventura County Fair is in full sway this week.

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Hal Boy was out of the real competition at Montreal in his second start for the first time this season.

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Vancouver had a successful meeting in spite of the many discouraging obstacles that had to be overcome.

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George Gano 2:02, holder of the saddle championship pacing, 2:11¾, may be seen at the exposition fall meeting in some trials against the watch.

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Montreal also came in for a visitation from the rain maker, operations there this week having been sadly interfered with.

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Frank Bogash, Jr., won his first start on the Grand Circuit Saturday at Montreal but was not forced to display any "championship form."

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Will DeRyder was second with Dicto last Friday at Galesburg in the 2:16 pace, Al Russell winning the event with Lee Dale, the fastest time being 2:09¼.

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Six new performers were put in the list at the record meeting of the Sonoma County Driving Club last Saturday at Santa Rosa.

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Don Pronto's service fee in his Australian home is ten guineas, or fifty dollars, which is a most moderate charge for the service of a horse of his quality.

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Napoleon Direct 2:02½, injured while loading at North Randall, is improving in a manner that causes Ed Geers to have hopes of starting him again in the near future.

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Lizzie Brown and Charley Valentine annexed another first at Montreal in a race that was a regular wolf. The daughter of The Bondsman is being more respectfully regarded as the season lengthens.

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Not satisfied to "call it a day" after defeating Tommy Murphy in the four-year-old trotter match at North Randall, Billy Andrews wound up about "chore time" by driving the brown colt Vincent Todd by Jim Todd to a three-year-old record of 2:08¾ trotting. Some folks never seem to know when to stop.

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And Loe Blossom has at last "won a main" on the Grand Circuit, Montreal being the scene of her triumph. The time was not fast but neither was the track, so give her as much credit as possible. With Loe Blossom sold and Bon Guy and O. U. C. temporarily on the shelf, Frank Childs must be just about "afoot."

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The King George five thousand dollar stake for 2:08 trotters at Montreal had only four starters, Peter Scott winning with ease in very moderate time, around 2:10. The footing couldn't have been so very bum, either, as 2:08 pacers went the third heat in 2:02½, and the 2:10 trotters went five heats from 2:07¾ to 2:08¾.

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A recent visitor at the Los Angeles track brings word that Railey Macey is making nice progress with the members of the International 1:55 Stable and that they are turning out some excellent time. Macey is well pleased with Los Angeles as a summer training ground and expects Owner M. W. Savage out from Minneapolis the latter part of September, to remain until after the P.-P. I. E. meeting.

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While Hunter Moody has been making speed with Suldine at Lexington for John W. Considine, Harry Dowling hasn't been letting any grass sprout under the sulky when he works Sadie Ansel at the home track. Mr. Considine was a recent visitor at the farm at Woodland and had the pleasure of seeing the two-year-old daughter of Prince Ansel and Lauress trot a half in 1:06½, with the final quarter in :30½.

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George N. Patterson, Homer Rutherford's good young trotter, tangled up with Allie Watts in the three-year-old trot at Dubuque Thursday and came out victor over Fred Edman and his General Watts filly after a warm split race, the filly trotting the fastest heat in 2:13¼. Geo. N. Patterson worked the Pleasanton track in 2:09¾ for Homer before going east and if he meets with no misfortune should be a big factor in the futurities at the exposition meeting in November.

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"Them DeRyder boys" prized up a little more "cain" at Dubuque Thursday when Spriggan and Miss Perfection came together again. Brother Charley and his four-year-old favorite had the best of their first meeting, but Brother William and Spriggan were there with the goods this time and copped the kale, trotting one heat in 2:08¼. It must be an awful temptation for Charley to put a reverse english speed ball in Bill's coffee along about lunch time.

Peter McCormick 2:05½, the big trotter in the Shuler stable, struck one of his hind legs in the third heat of the 2:08 trot at Grand Rapids and was drawn after finishing third to Peter Scott and Worthy Prince in 2:05¼, shortly thereafter being shipped home to Indianapolis where he will be given some careful handling in hope of being ready for some racing later in the fall. Since going east Mr. Shuler has sold John Gwynne to Dr. S. E. Dodson of Grand Rapids, and Fleeta Dillon to John H. Dillon of New Haven, Conn. Laurence Shuler will continue to handle the "bird headed" daughter of Sidney Dillon for the time being, as he gets more pace out of her in company than anyone else has been able to secure.

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The S. S. Bailey stable, from California, was shipped from Grand Rapids to Indianapolis, and will probably be sent home to the coast in a short time, as O. U. C. 2:08½, the pacing gelding that was expected to figure prominently in the year's pacing stakes, is quite lame, and may not get into form again this season. Bon Guy 2:11¼ also failed to get in form. The loss of Mr. Bailey is regretted by all of the circuiters that had met him, as he was a good horseman, one of the best ground trainers in the country, and a man whose character and business integrity was a good asset to the turf. Frank Childs, who raced the Bailey stable in 1913, and again this year, was given charge of Our Colonel p. 2:03¾ by owner J. B. Jones, and shipped him to Galesburg, Ill., for racing in the Great Western circuit.—Horse Review.

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William G. Durfee, who went into "temporary retirement" after his stable annexed some seventeen thousand simoleons at the spring meeting at the exposition, will make his next bow to the public at Salem and then ship here for the second battle of the beach. While he is not working his horses where they can go by some seconds they are all doing nicely and are pretty well keyed up for a race. Esperanza, who took a pronounced dislike to the going here, has steadied greatly since getting off the hard-pan and trotted a half recently in 1:02½, while Virginia Barnette, her stable mate of like age, went the route in 2:13, last eighth in :14. White Sox, winner of the big pace, has had a trip in 2:07 and Contention B. a mile in 2:09¾, with the last quarter at a two-minute clip. Workouts by other members of the stable are Byron (3), a half in 1:04¼; Helen Belle (3), a half in 1:05¾; Nicola B. (3), a mile in 2:16 with final quarter in :31¼; Old Folks, a mile in 2:15; Hermes (2) a mile in 2:19 trotting; Tom Thumb (2), by Copa de Oro 2:01 and out of Leonor Mc., mat. 2:08, a mile in 2:24½ pacing, and San Jacinto a mile in 2:03½. Clara Mac is working nicely and has put on a hundred pounds of flesh since going to Los Angeles, while the Carlokin filly Ethel D. has recently trotted to cart in 2:12½ and promises to go into the 2:10 list this fall.

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The old-time breeders of trotters would gasp with surprise could they know the early age at which some of the modern sires become represented by 2:10 trotters. In the days of such noted old-time breeders as Gov. Stanford, C. J. Hamlin, A. J. Alexander, J. C. McFerran, William Corbitt, Chas. Backman, Alden Goldsmith, Geo. B. F. Tracy and others identified with the breeding interests a score or more years ago, it was considered a great happening if a sire secured one 2:10 trotter before old age incapacitated him for service. Later on if a sire got his first 2:10 trotter by the time he was fifteen years old he was regarded as exceptionally successful in the stud. A few days ago, when the three-year-old colt, Colorado Range, raced to a trotting record of 2:09½, he made his sire, Colorado E. 2:04¾, a 2:10 sire at eight years of age. This former three-year-old champion is the eighth stallion to become a 2:10 sire at eight years or younger. The first sires to become 2:10 sires at such an early age were Todd 2:14¾ by Bingen, and Alto Leyburn 2:24½ by Expedition. In 1907, when these stallions were eight years old, each got a 2:10 trotter, Kentucky Todd 2:08¾ being Todd's representative, while Jack Leyburn 2:08½ (later 2:04½) represented Alto Leyburn. The following year Bingara, by Bingen, then seven years old, secured his first 2:10 trotter in Binvolo 2:09½ (later 2:07¾). In 1912 Gen. Watts, then eight, got his first one in Mahomet Watts 2:10. In 1913 Peter O'Donna 2:08, then eight, by Peter the Great, got Don Chenault 2:05¾, and Grey Petrus, only six years old, got Peter Johnson 2:08¾. In 1914 Native King 2:11¾, eight years old, got Native Spirit 2:09¾, and this year Colorado E. has already been added to the list by Colorado Range's performance.—Horseshoers' Journal.

GERMANS MAY RESUME RACING.

Berlin, August 26, via London, August 27.—Trotting and steeplechase races at which the pari-mutuel betting system will be permitted probably will be resumed in the near future, as the Government sanction, which the racing interests have been endeavoring to obtain for some time, is expected this week.

If the government grants permission, a trotting meeting, the first since the war began, will be held at Mariendorf, near Berlin, followed by steeplechasing at Karlshorst.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

SANTA ROSA RECORD MEETING.

Santa Rosa, Aug. 21.—Six new performers entered the ranks of standard performers as a result of the record meeting of the Sonoma County Driving Club held here today, the fastest performance of the day being the mile paced in 2:11 by Dr. William S. Jennings, the second of the produce of the great brood mare Caritone by Antone to pace close to the 2:10 circle. The best among the new trotters is The Lizard, a beautifully gaited son of Lynwood W. owned by John Compton, his mile in 2:20½ being easy for him.

Next Sunday the club will stage a full afternoon's program of matinee races, in which the best horses of the county come together. Today's details are as follows:

Santa Rosa, August 21.

To beat 2:25¼ pacing:

Dr. William Jennings, ch g by Frank S. Turner, dam Caritone by Antone.....(F. S. Turner) 2:11
Potreress, ch m by Potrero Boy, dam by Alton.. .....(M. Reams) 2:22

To beat 2:30¼ trotting:

Lady Steinmore, gr m by Bonnie Steinway, dam by Grand Moor .....(F. S. Turner) 2:24½
Guy's Anteeo, br m by Guy Dillon, dam by Anteeo.....(H. Whitney) 2:30
The Lizard, ch g by Lynwood W., dam by Gossiper .....(John Compton) 2:20½
Jessie Dillon, ch m by Guy Dillon, dam Nellie by Gossiper .....(F. D. McGregor) 2:26¾

Judges—Dr. J. J. Summerfield, L. L. Cannon and Len Brittain.
Timers—Henry Carlton, S. H. Morris and Joe Ryan.
Starter—Dick Ables.
Clerk of the Course—Jack Forsyth.
Representative of A. T. A.—Geo. B. Kelley.

TURF SLEUTHS EXPOSE A RINGER.

Lady St. Clair 2:13½, the winner of class races at Conneaut Lake, Pa., and Youngstown, O., and of a $1,000 early closing event at Belle Vernon, Pa., was protested at the latter point the past week by Secretary Gocher. Clarence Cole of Indianapolis, Ind., was on hand to examine the mare in the interest of the trotting association and he pronounced her as being the Ohio bred mare, Edna L., which was sold at Indianapolis the past winter under peculiar circumstances. Cole claims that Delay, the driver of the mare, spent some time at the Hoosier State capital this winter also, which fact tends to add materially to the affair. Delay, who hails from Waterbury, Conn., made an affidavit to the effect that she was as represented, and stated that he was in position to produce the party in Hartford, Conn., who bred the mare and also owned both her sire and dam, and he further claimed that Lady St. Clair was but a five-year-old, but an examination by Joe McGraw, John Pender and Robert Anderson caused them to pronounce her a coming seven-year-old.

The mare was under suspicion at Bradford and Youngstown both and it occasioned no great surprise to quite a few horsemen when Mr. Gocher took a hand in the matter.—American Sportsman.

A CANDIDATE FOR WILLIAM'S CROWN.

A possible new world's record maker was introduced last week at Grand Rapids when Guy Rea, the young Pittsburgh amateur trainer, won the division of the Matron stake for three-year-old pacers with General Todd, the colt pacing two heats each in 2:06—but a second away from the championship mark for his gait and sex.

The General is strictly a Rea product, as he was bred by Henry B. Rea, the father of Guy, and owner of Reamore Farm. Early last year persistent effort was made to make the General trot, but it required more ballast than was deemed wise for him to carry, especially as he was inclined to pace and had numerous engagements which might be turned to more profit if he proved himself a wiggler of class. So he was geared for pacing in July, George Starr having him in charge while the Rea stable was away racing. The lateral gait seemed to suit him perfectly, as Starr worked him in 2:16, half in 1:02¼ and quarter in :29¾. Following this his work this season was very good all during his spring preparation. He had shown in 2:08¼ before his Grand Rapids race, but the Indianapolis filly, Miss Harris M., in Lon McDonald's stable, was considered his superior before they met, being first choice in the betting over him, and heavily backed. But General Todd had more speed than the filly, and in each of the heats in 2:06 was fairly easy at the finish. There were no spectacular flashes of speed, but from the ease with which he paced both heats it should be a comparatively easy task for him to lower William's record of 2:05.

The General is a rather tall colt, but well bodied and a regular space eater, as to gait, and well enough bred to be a champion, his dams being by Oratorio 2:13, Nutwood 2:18¾ and Dictator. At present he looks like the real scare crow in the pacing futurities, and he is billed to participate in most of them yet to be decided this year.

It's a pretty close corporation that participates in the General's success, as he is Rea-bred, Rea-developed and Rea-raced; and at Grand Rapids both the senior and the junior Rea indulged in a good natured race as to who would first see the paymaster. Youth won, as Guy collected both first and fourth moneys, his winnings, in the shape of a check, made to his own order. But I don't imagine that his father was particularly put out thereby.—Walter Moore, Horse Review.

MISSOURI TOWN GREAT CONCENTRATION CAMP FOR WAR HORSES.

Lathrop, Mo., August 20—When fifty or sixty horses die here a day nobody pays any particular attention to it. It's only the normal death rate. For in Lathrop at present there are more horses than were ever assembled before in the world's history.

To Lathrop come all the horses and mules purchased for the British army. Because of a lack of transports to take them across the Atlantic they have been accumulating, until now all Clinton county is virtually one vast feed lot.

When "shipping" or "barn" fever broke out among the horses recently there were many rumors of an epidemic. Even the State health inspectors came to Lathrop when they heard that hundreds of animals were dying. The army veterinarians received them calmly, admitted the hundreds of deaths and then proceeded to hand out some statistics.

The statistics made the "epidemic" stories shrink wonderfully. The deaths, the veterinarians showed, figured out just about one-half of 1 per cent a week. And they defied the inspectors to find a farmer who could show as good a record. The inspectors agreed and left. The British continue to lose some $10,000 worth of horses a day.

Disease is not the only agent that keeps the horses from being killed by German bullets. Their habit of "milling" has caused many deaths. On being changed from one pasture to another the entire herd of horses will immediately set out on a dead run and make the circuit of the whole field. Sometimes they run for hours until many fall dead from exhaustion. If the bunch is large it may not be able to make the turns at the corners. In that case a quarter mile of fence disappears in a twinkling and the veterinarians are sewing up wire cuts for days.

The disaster of the sunken road at Waterloo was duplicated here a few days ago. Eleven hundred horses were being driven along a road a short distance east of town when they came to a ravine partly filled with water from the heavy rains. The horses stampeded and the front ranks were swept into the muddy pool. The frantic animals were literally trampled into a solid mass of bodies that filled the ravine from bank to bank. Over the struggling mass what was left of the herd galloped.

Many of the horses were dead by the time the stampede had passed. Others were terribly wounded by the battering hoofs. Some were saved by holding their heads above water until they could be extricated from the tangle of bodies, but when they had been taken out there still remained a gruesome task for the skinning gang.

There are four skinning gangs now and sometimes even that large force get so far behind that horses are dumped in the long burial ditches without their hides being saved. For a time one man, Charles Tillman, was given the hides for burying the dead horses. As they brought from $4 to $5 each on the market, he was reputed to be getting about $1,400 a week for the work. A later arrangement is understood to have brought his income down somewhat from the figures attained only by vaudeville headliners, and that, perhaps, in stage money.

All Lathrop has shared, to some degree, the prosperity of the horse skinners. For eleven months a shing stream of British gold has poured through the town and few are those who have not been able to dip their hands in the current. Buildings have gone up with the rapidity of a boom mining camp. Huge hay barns, two blocks long and a hundred feet wide, feed barns, a grain elevator, offices and acres of shipping pens have all come as the result of the horse business.

Since the disastrous stampede at East Alton, Ill., the British have closed their depot there and all the horses, even those from St. Louis and the East, come to Lathrop.

In the Boer war in 1901 England handled 132,000 animals through the depot here and that number has possibly already been equaled. The average price is $175 for horses and $200 for mules.

Unless transports begin arriving from Europe soon there is no telling how many horses Lathrop will be called on to accommodate. They have been arriving by the trainload practically every day until the number now is estimated at from 27,000 to 30,000 head. If the influx continues it may be necessary to build a second story to the county and put some of them upstairs.

EDUCATING THE HORSE OWNER ON SHOEING.

There are some horse owners who will stand a good argument which will show them that they do not know it all, but there are others who believe that they are a good deal smarter than you, yourself, though having spent your lifetime at the trade. It is a question in my mind whether it is worth while talking to a good many of them or whether they are interested in such a subject as shoeing their horse; anyhow, I try to avoid coming in contact with any of them and go right ahead, do the work, and if it does not please I soon hear from them. I know that a great many will stand to be informed, but the question is how to get them interested. If they are busy men, they do not want to bother with such a small thing as horseshoeing, at least that is they way they view it. A good business man who is fond of horses and careful about their shoeing will look around beforehand and find out if the man who is shoeing his horses is worth while patronizing and if he is not they will soon leave him and go to another. Perhaps there is some way by which we could get at the horse owners and tell them how much there was in shoeing a horse and why a horseshoer is worth his hire, but that way I do not know, excepting it is when something goes wrong and then give him the best of your knowledge on the work that you are doing, if for no other reason than to impress him with your own importance. We must admit that many horseowners are totally ignorant on the subject of horseshoeing. Now and then we will find a man who knows just what he wants and tells you in such a way as to make you feel glad that you met him, but there are others and they are in the majority, whom words are wasted on if they were spoken to about this, that, or the other thing that was wrong with their horse. There is another class of horse owners who do not want to have their feelings hurt by telling them that there is something the matter—that their horse has got a bad pair of feet, as some kind of disease, or that he is going wrong and never can be corrected unless shod after your manner. Those fellows are a kind that believe they "know it" and, as I said, it hurts their feelings to have them told that they didn't jnow just what they were thinking or talking about.

There is no doubting the fact that the horseshoer is the caretaker of the horse's foot and unless he uses intellectual means to keep that foot in condition and to keep the horse going right, then there is not much use in driving such a horse, and if we could only get horse owners to look on us in that way it would not be very hard to convince them that we were worth all that we were asking for when we shod their horses, and also it would be an easy matter to convince them that cheap horseshoeing was dear at any price.

Just to give you a few illustrations that I have come across in my experience shoeing horses, I will touch upon first, the case of a man who was a superintendent of a large public institution that used a number of horses. I had reason to believe that this particular superintendent was not just right, in other words, that he was fattening off of the proceeds of the institution, for it was running behind and I thought that he was getting a little bit ahead.

Anything that I might do to this horse would not be of much benefit to him, because the disease had made such headway that his heels were simply a mass of corruption and the frog, to make matters worse, showed signs of thrush, so that it was impossible to use any pressure on them by a bar shoe. I shod this horse with a three-calk shoe, rolled the toe and elevated the heel calk slightly and he went along very nicely for about a week, when he showed up lame after a run. When I shod the horse I called up the superintendent and told him that his purchase was not a good one and he ought to discard the horse as somebody had put it over on him and that very soon he would break down under a run. Before I got through my conversation I knew that I had made a mistake and lost a customer, and I was right in my suspicions for I never saw the horse again, neither did I see the superintendent, that is, as a customer. I tried to educate this fellow and you can see how I succeeded. He was an exception to the rule. It was not long after this that they had a new boss in the institution and this fellow of whom I speak was in another job with much less money in it.

I remember another case of a horse whose feet were badly contracted. He also was a new purchase and the owner thought he was "quite the thing" as a judge of horseflesh. About two months after the horse had been brought to me, he went to stumbling and sometimes fell in his tracks, and I was brought to task by the owner who told me that this was a new habit for the horse as he had never been guilty of it before. I said to him, "Well, when you bought the horse and brought him in to me to be shod I pointed out to you the defect in his feet—they are contracted and it will take you some time before they become expanded. The only thing I can do is to help the good work along and you must give me time to do it." He knew that I was sincere and honest in what I was telling him, but I knew that he did not like me to tell him that he had been "taken in" when he bought the horse with contracted feet.

This was case number three: A team was driven into the shop one day and one of the ponies, for they were both small horses, was quite lame. I had been shoeing for this man for several years and this particular horse, I considered, was among the best that he had. His feet were sound and he was a real top-notcher of a traveler all through; there wasn't a pimple on him, his limbs being as clean as a colt that had never seen road work. When he left the shop with the team after being shod, the teamster in some way gave this horse a sudden jerk which caused him to partly stumble when he made his next step. The result was a lame horse. The owner of this horse asked me what the trouble was and, of course, I would not dare to tell tales out of school, because it might hurt the teamster if I told what I knew about his driving, but when it came to threatening me with the loss of his patronage, I up and said to the man, "See here, there are many ways that this horse of yours could have gone lame from the time he left my shop until he reached your barn. I don't know what the exact cause is I do know, however, that he was sound when he left me and I defy you to show that there is anything wrong with the feet or with the shoeing of them." This man asked me if I was perfectly well acquainted what a sound foot was. I told him I thought so and I asked him in return if he was acquainted with the subject. He said, "No, not particularly, but if I were shoeing horses I would be. That is not my business." I handed him a small pamphlet and told him to read up something about what there was in horseshoeing and he said that he did not require it, as he had other business to attend to. This pony was taken to a veterinarian, given an examination and the trouble was pronounced to be in the navicular joint. I concluded that the horse in slipping had strained the ligament surrounding the joint and it had worked up into a fevered condition. When I gave my view of it to the owner he said that he was perfectly satisfied with the explanation, but that he felt that it was best for him to change his horseshoer as he thought I knew too much. This was case No. 3 of the owner who would not be educated.

I wonder what kind is the next one that I might refer to, for there are dozens of them. But is it necessary to bring in more? It is all right for a young horseshoer to start in trying to do business and buck against some old heads who have been established for a long time, but the average young man must have a stout heart if he wants to keep his head over water and at the same time play the game square all around, and if he has not a stout heart, he will find himself going backward instead of forward. It is still another thing for us to say that we can educate the horse owners who are paying us for their work and believe at the same time that we can hold their business by dictating to them on how their horses should be shod when they, themselves, think that they should be consulted and not be dictated to.—Horseshoers' Journal.

BUSBEY'S MODERN METHODS.

It was Walter Cox, we think, who once remarked that a horse editor did not know enough about that noble beast to tell which end to put the bridle on, or some such awful canard. We might have retorted that Walter did not know enough about a horse paper to tell how to finance one, but we forebore, preferring to let the logic of events disprove Walter's allegation and then defy the "allegator." Recent developments have vindicated the wisdom of our determination, for they have proved that there are more things which horse editors know, not merely as to "hooking," but also as to training a horse, than the philosophy of Walter ever dreamed. It has remained for the dean of our noble guild, the patriarch Bro. Hamilton Busbey, contemporary of mighty sires, performers and breeders before Walter was born, to evolve a new process of training development which applies the genius of the 20th ventury to the antediluvian methods of its predecessor, and surpasses them as far as Uhlan could beat Dexter. Paradoxically as it may seem, Brother Busbey has requisitioned the anathematized symbol of a horseless age as an auxiliary to the development of the horse's speed. He has employed the automobile as a pacemaker. He has told vividly the success of his experiment. How the horse at first looked at the horseless wagon and eyed it with suspicion. How the fire of battle lit the eye of the splendid creature when it discovered that it was challenged to a test of speed. How the puffing and snorting of the monster only spurred the spirit of the noble nag, and the shouts of the chauffeur encouraged him to greater effort. But even all this failed to call into exercise the full play of the resources of the horse, for it was not until the barking of a bulldog in the tonneau was added to the hubbub that the splendid beast put forth the last ounce of his speed and fulfilled the expectations of his editor-trainer. The moral is obvious, and we hope Walter will let it sink in. Don't disparage the talents of the horse-editor. Don't overlook the sapience which applies modern thought to stereotyped methods. And especially don't forget the bulldog.—Trotter and Pacer.

SHENANDOAH, IOWA.

Aug. 10—2:27 trot, purse $400:

California B., b g by Athasham	(Beazley)	1	1	1
Fred R., b g by Mytolus	(Combs)	2	2	3
Emery A., br h by Baron De Jay	(Berry)	3	4	2
Billy Todd, br h by Sorrento Todd	(Kaufman)	4	3	4

Time—2:17¼, 2:20¼, 2:19¾.

2:22 pace, purse $400:

Happy Heart, br g (4) by Lockheart	(McGowan)	1	1	1
Tip Top, ch g by Aldenwood	(Combs)	2	2	2
Dan W., br g by Proctor	(Colwell)	3	3	3
Bessie Winfield, bl m by Starlight	(Whitten)	4	4	4

Bendello King, 5-5-dis.

Time—2:15¾, 2:15¼, 2:15½.

Aug. 11—2:17 trot, purse $400:

Edith Alltell, b m by Alltell	(Benefield)	1	1	1
Sweetwood, br m by Nowood	(Casey)	2	2	4
Charley Mars, b g by Prince Charles	(Beazley)	3	4	2
Drift Allerton, b h by Allerton	(Chase)	4	3	3

Time—2:22¾, 2:26¼, 2:26½.

Aug. 12—2:12 pace, purse $400:

Kid Riley, ch g by Riley Medium	(Patton)	1	1	1
R. W. E., ch g by Billy Huston	(Benefield)	5	2	2
Baron Lac, br h by Redlac	(Berry)	4	3	3
Prince Arlington, b g by King Arlington	(Hennick)	3	4	4

Charley C., 2-5-5.

Time—2:14¼, 2:13½, 2:14½.

2:22 trot, purse $400:

The Empress, ch m by Stelwell	(Armstrong)	1	1	1
California B., b g by Athasham	(Beazley)	2	3	2
Hick, b g by Baron Lockerbie	(Hennick)	5	2	3

Willis Strong, 3-dis.

Time—2:19¼, 2:20¼, 2:22¼.

2:17 pace, purse $400:

Budweiser, b h by Roy Norva	(Wagner)	3	4	1	1	1
Redwood, ch h by Aldenwood	(Combs)	2	1	3	3	3
Molly Bringer, b m by Rustic Patenter	(Lugenbee)	1	2	2	4	4
Happy Heart, br g (4) byLockheart	(McGowan)	4	3	4	2	2

Red Rose, 5-5-5-5-5-.

Time—2:12¼, 2:14¼, 2:14½, 2:15¼, 2:17¼.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

THE DOGS OF THE NORTH.

The husky dog belongs to the prehistoric age. His manners are those of the dogs that crept from out of the great forests to join the hairy men, who squatted on their naked haunches gnawing meat off red bones. He is a creature of an age of club and fang. He lives where the right to survive belongs only to the strongest and the fiercest. Yet he belongs to the fraternity of dogs, for he has a man master. Probably his half-brother the wolf calls him a fool and servile for this allegiance; but the husky cares not, for he has the reckless devotion of the true dog. In spite of blows and starvation he comes to his man master, knows him and bows before him. But other men he knows not, and that, again, is true to the canine creed. For no dog serves man in the abstract; he serves man in the concrete, the one who feeds him. He serves one master, but never two. An allegiance once contracted has something deeper than the flesh-pots of Egypt to bind him. He has no sense of philanthropy, and is unethically indifferent to his master's morals. So the husky is of the canine fellowship, even though, at times, he will point his long nose to the polar stars above in the Arctic night, and call the wolf call. But he is not really a wolf, for he has found a god, and the wolves, timber or gray, have no god.

He is short in the legs and chunky of body, over which arches resplendent a curled and bushy tail. His "pelt" is of a coarse fur in which nature has overcoated him free of charge from the severe Northern cold. Some have said he comes from Alaska, others from Greenland and Labrador. This much at least is certain, he belongs to the Esquimaux, for his appellation, "Husky," is the Indian insult for anything pertaining to the blubber-eating Esquimaux.

The husky's life has but two phases or seasons, year in and year out. Without him in the far North, in winter the white man or the Indian, who owns him not, is helpless, for the husky is the dromedary of the snows. But in summer man needs him not, and he becomes a wolf in habit, since he has to feed himself or starve. In winter the long raw-hide lash cracks about his ears, and the cry, "Mush! Mush!! Damn you, mush on!!!" goads him on to the long white trail, while answering he springs to his feet and trail, while answering he springs to his feet and strains at the rawhide harness of the toboggan. In teams of five or six hitched to ice-shod Komatiks, or to a freight toboggan, he hits the trail from dawn to dark, each dog pulling his hundredweight. He brings food, letters, and the thousand things men need into the great white North's crystalline heart. Viciously beaten, over-worked and underfed on white-fish, he staggers on with bleeding or frozen paws—the slave of man. Now and then one drops out, but the trail goes on. Men only swear and ask whose dog it is. Now and then one eats through the traces and vanishes northwards where the wolves are. Fasting and gasping and flogged on hard trails, like the famous Esquimaux, on he goes for days at a time. Upon the barrens, however, where caribou fall to his lord's gun, he feeds for a space like a king on venison. In the southern wastes tallow and corn-meal keep his body, and I think we may say, his soul, together for weeks. Round the igloos of the far North he wins his share of the "blubber." But this is a glorious thing compared to the summer. How the husky must be thankful for its northern brevity. For if it is one long unending day of muskeg smells and flowers, it is also for him a day of starvation, until the sun at last sets and the winds of winter blow. Until then, it is true, he roams at will, but he roams also a slave to hunger. For it is the time of the canoe and water transportation. The husky is useless. And as no work is required no food is given him. He must find for himself. So the wolf in him arises. The call of the wild comes to him in all its full meaning. He goes inland for days and nights together to the hills, hunting his prey after the manner of his wolf sires. But food is scarce and to take life, life must be given in the grim north where man and beast cling passionately to the gift of breath. What can one dog work with a moose or a stray imported horse? So they gather hungry and cruel, and sweep the land more ravenous and bolder than the wolf in pack. Even man, when alone and unarmed, is unfeared so that they may fill those hollow bellies of theirs, stanch that gnawing at their vitals. Of their ways in summer and how they subsist, when they belong to the shiftless Cree or improvident Esquimaux, no man knoweth more than he knows of the way of the wolf.

Yet the first deep snow finds them back at the trail again, working out their destiny in a waste of snows. And the trail has no end all winter long beneath the austere sky, where the northern lights flash and flame like battling angel hosts.

And only the men of the north in their parkis, with frost-lit eyes and clouds of frozen breath, know how the huskies go on barking for joy with their curling brushes in the air, up to the world through the violet creamy light of sun-kissed snow. Each man, then, knows nothing matters save the dogs. On them depends everything. For them everything is planned and done. For the trail is the husky way, and God pity him who forgets it.

Let us go with them a little way. In the bright moonlight of early morning, long before the brilliant starlight of the North has lost a vestige of its lustre, the guide, half-breed or pure-blood Cree, gets up from his spruce bed to rekindle the cooking fire. Then he wakes the party to "boil the kettle" (which in Northland parlance means food). It is cold and clear. Now they hitch up their teams long before the dawn spills itself along the east. Bell rings. The men shout. Their whips crack and the dogs bark. "Mush! Mush!! Damn you, mush on!!!" One team after another goes forward in its turn to break the trail. By ten o'clock the dogs must be rested, and the bannock is thawed out and breakfast gobbled from the frying-pan before it has time to freeze. Sometimes a blizzard lashes down, lifting the snow, stabbing the men's faces with cold-sores. Each man plows his own way with the twanging cruch of snow-shoe beneath his feet. If he falls, he is alone. These huskies that now slave on under his lash have been known to eat him. There is no mercy here either for the dog or the man who peters out. He who falls, sometimes never rises. He who fails is finished. Iron wills and steel muscles and a lust for life alone survive.

By two in the afternoon another halt is called to rest these huskies, whose dogged grit has by now caught your soul with admiration. Bannock and tea for the humans, but not a scrap yet for them. Famishing, they swing out for the last of the day's marches. But the vim of the trail, the elasticity of the dawn, is dying in weary man and beast. If a side-wind swings your sledge off the trail, those devils of huskies seem to know and wag their tails exultingly. Perhaps a moose scent is caught by them, and away goes a whole team from a green hand, flinging sledge and its cargo overboard on to the snows. Perhaps as the sun dies out in a splash of crimson blood over the white rim of the snow, the trail is running over a frozen river. You find your huskies edging into the bank, for they know. But the camping-ground lies up stream, and you lash at them furiously like a devil without mercy. It has got to be made. Your eyes are wicked and theirs have the ugly green light.

At last you come to the day's goal, and look for the lee side of its trees. A sleeping place is dug in the snow and floored with green spruce. Men light the two fires,—the camp and the cook fires. But the veterans of the party turn to the huskies. They bed them. That is, they choose a spruce about eight feet tall, lop it of its green, and chain the husky to it. They feed them. That is, each dog gains its white-fish or moose meat. Afterwards the men may feed and smoke. Then betwixt their eiderdown quilts in the sleeping bag comes happy-hearted sleep. Until another trail stretches out for men and dogs, until another dawn leers across this white world, and the heavens are again filled with the mirages of the North. "Mush! Mush!! Damn you, mush on!!!"—Bernard Muddiman, in Rod and Gun in Canada.

EFFECT OF ANAESTHETICS ON DOGS.

The invention, or rather the discovery of chloroform, has not only caused a revolution in the practice of surgery upon human beings, but also in that of animals, especially on dogs and cats, and now it is in general use when serious operations must be performed upon any of the canine and feline species.

Dogs and cats, however, are not such good subjects for chloroform as might be expected in comparison with human beings. It is well known that dogs especially are quickly killed by chloroform. On the other hand, cats are ideal subjects for chloroform—a fact to be borne in mind when administering that in order to cause death. A dog often will die in twenty minutes, but a cat will endure chloroform for a couple of hours or more, according to the extent to which it gets diluted with air. Great care, therefore, should be taken with dogs.

As to how far it is possible to relieve the pain of minor operations by the aid of anaesthetics of course a great deal depends. Canine patients vary considerably in their capacity for enduring anaesthetics; but where there is any operation to be performed that can be done quickly—such, for instance, as the tearing out of a claw or the cutting away of some external growth, an inhalation of chloroform may be risked.

On the other hand, what is termed local anaethesia is never especially satisfactory. The freezing process, common in dental practice, for instance, is not suited to canine dentistry; and the only really effective way of saving our dumb friends pain is to make the unconsciousness complete. An amateur never should undertake to administer an anesthetic; it should be done only under the supervision of a veterinary surgeon, or, if need be, of a medical practitioner.

THE COST OF A CHINESE CHOW.

Jong, a chow puppy, arrived in New York direct from China a year ago in a box about two feet square and a foot high. When an effort was made to take him from the prison which he had inhabited all the way from San Francisco, the puppy snapped and snarled until one brave hand grasped him by the nape of the neck and deposited him outside on the floor. Since that time the chow has grown in size and beauty, but he has never snapped or snarled at the owner of the grasping hand and every evening gives him a five minutes' welcome home of strident yelps of joy and wild dances of delight.

Chows that came direct from China are scarce in New York because few of them survive the long sea journey from the Oriental republic. Almost every ship that leaves China carries some of the chows, but very few survive the first thousand mile leg of the journey. The sea air is deadly to the chows, and unless the greatest care is taken with their diet and their digestive organs few of the animals reach their destination. The American who sent Jong to a friend on Staten Island had sent four others previously by way of the Suez Canal route and every one died before reaching Singapore.

Why the real Chinese chows are many times more expensive in this country than the American-bred chows is easily realized when it is taken into consideration that the original cost and the cost of shipping the animals that die on the way must be added to the price of the dogs that survive. While an American-bred chow can be bought for from $50 to $150, there are few dealers who would care, in peaceful times, to furnish the real Chinese animals, for less than $200 each. At the present time there are no chows coming by the Suez route and few by the Pacific route, so that dealers declare they can furnish none at any price.

Just how expensive it is to send a chow puppy from Canton, the native city of Jong, to New York City, is shown by this itemized account:

Cost of dog	$3.00
Freight, Canton to San Francisco	12.50
Worm medicine	.75
Collar and leash	1.50
Tips to hotel and ship boys	1.00
Butcher, Pacific Mail steamer	5.00
Night watchman, Mail steamer	2.00
Customs duty, San Francisco	3.00
Doctor's certificate	2.50
Boxing	.75
Freight and insurance, San Francisco to New York	9.83
Total	$41.83

The original cost of the dog in this case was excessive, because it usually is possible to buy the best kind of a chow in Canton for one dollar. The $5 paid to the butcher on the Pacific Mail steamship was for attention and not for meat, as the chow is a rice and vegetable eating animal, although he will eat chickens when he can catch them.

The chow is an excellent watch dog, giving an alarm at the slightest noise, day or night. He is very playful with friends, but snaps and snarls at strangers. His only fault is his roving habit. He will roam away from home and sometimes will remain absent for hours. If his master's home is in the suburbs he invariably will find his way back, but if he lives in the city he is lost in the mazes of streets. There is one satisfaction, however—when the chow is roaming away from home he will not be picked up by strangers or dog catchers and carried away, for his teeth are too sharp and his feet too speedy.

FEEDING HINTS.

There is often trouble with dogs when their owners are too kind to them in the way of food. One often hears the remark made that "we only give well-cooked meat to our dogs," little thinking that that particular way of feeding animals is an excellent plan to produce jaundice or stomach troubles. Dogs are by nature raw flesh-eaters, and if the kind sir or madam ignores that fact the darling pet is bound to suffer. The feeding and care of dogs are thus referred to in "Our Dogs": "The reason why dogs suffer from indigestion, paradoxical as it may seem to suggest that complaint, is mainly that their owners often bring that condition about by not giving them enough of what humans would call 'indigestible' food. The dog was never intended to masticate his food like a human being does. His fangs and his 'crunchers' were given him for the purpose of tearing the meat off his prey and crushing up the bones. Therefore, if a dog be fed on soft, sloppy foods instead of on raw meat and hard bones, not only will his teeth lose their quality of hardness and brightness, but the powerful digestive juices, by means of which he can assimilate all the solid lumps of bone, etc., that he 'bolts' down, will lose their power, and he will begin to suffer from actual dyspepsia. There is nothing better for any dog, next to meat, than good hard dog biscuit. This will tend to keep him in the best of health, and his teeth clean and white. Dyspepsia or indigestion leads to liver disease by easy stages, and therefore, as has been shown, the question of right feeding is a very important one. Next to feeding properly, a dog needs plenty of open-air exercise. The dogs most likely to suffer from jaundice resulting from indigestion and its sequel (sluggish liver) are those kept tied or fastened up without the freedom that is natural to a dog.

ZANE GREY'S FIGHT WITH A SWORDFISH.

The season's record swordfish weighing 284 pounds was brought to gaff Saturday, August 21, by Zane Grey, the well known New York author, who is spending a month at San Clemente angling for these king game fish. The fight lasted eight hours. So enthusiastic is Angler Grey that he had not time to bring the fish to Avalon himself but chartered a special boat so that the catch could be recorded. Despite the efforts to rush the monster to Avalon it is claimed that over 30 pounds weight was lost in transit. At San Clemente Island the catch weighed 316 pounds. Angler Grey is confident that he will land a larger specimen before the fish leave these waters, which, according to expert anglers, will be about September 15.

At daylight Sunday, in his pristine camp at Mosquito harbor, Mr. Grey told a newspaper representative the following story:

"It was about noon Saturday. The sea was calm except up toward the west end, where a wind was whipping the water white. Clemente Island towered over me, with its steep slopes of wild oats and its blue canyons full of blaze.

"Swordfishing is hard work because you have to troll for hours, and be on the alert every instant. I was tired, but not tired of looking at the Pacific and the wild and beautiful island.

"Capt. Dan suddenly said he had seen a big swordfish jump off to the west, and we put on full speed. The monster fish must have been a mile out and was disporting itself just where the breeze ruffled the water.

"His great fin and tail were violet, almost pink in color. They had not had time to get sunburned, as those of fish earlier arrived at Clemente.

"We made a wide circle around him, to draw the flying fish bait near him. But before we could get to the exact point of action he sank out of sight.

"The same old story, I thought, with despair—these floating fish will not bite. Cautiously we circled over the place where he had disappeared, and I watched my bait rising and falling in the low swells of the green-blue Pacific. Fifty miles from civilization, but still on the war path, I mused.

"Suddenly Capt. Dan yelled and I saw a great blaze of purple and silver green flashing after my bait. It was the swordfish and he took the bait on the run. The monster's jaws opened—that was a moment for a fisherman.

"I found it almost impossible to let him have enough line. All that I remember about the hooking of him was a tremendous shock. The first dash was irresistibly powerful, and I had a sensation of the absurdity of trying to stop a fish like that. Then the line began to rise on the surface and to lengthen in my sight, and I tried to control my rapture and fear enough to be able to see him clearly when he leaped.

"Then, tearing off the line, he was out of the water in seven great leaps—in rapid succession. It was utterly impossible to keep the line taut, and when I felt the slacking of weight I grew numb and sick—thinking he was gone. But suddenly he strained on the line with a jerk that lifted me, and started inshore.

"The contest seemed an age. When he stopped and went down he had pulled thirteen hundred feet of line off my reel while we were chasing with the engine pounding its capacity of revolutions. While under the surface I got back half of this line. I wish I could give some impression of this royal purple fish of the sea. He came up again—in two more leaps, one of which showed me his breadth of back—and then he performed the feature of which I had heard so much, and which has made the swordfish the most famous of all fish—he rose two-thirds out of the water, I suppose by reason of the enormous power of his tail—and then he began to walk across the sea in a great circle of white foam, wagging his massive head, sword flying, jaws wide, dorsal fin savagely erect, like a lion's mane. He was magnificent. I have never seen such fury expressed or such an unquenchable spirit. Then he dropped back with a sullen splash and went down and down—down!

"In the next hour he pulled us from the fence to Long Point, a distance of four miles. Once off the point, where the tide rip is strong, he began to circle in great, wide circles. Strangely, he did not put out to sea. And here, during the next hour, I had the finest of experiences I think that ever befell a fisherman. I was hooked to a monster fighting swordfish; I was wet with sweat and the salt water that had dropped from my reel, and I was aching in every muscle. The sun was setting in banks of gold and a silver fog over the west end, and the sea was opalescent—vast, shimmering, heaving, beautiful. And at this sunset moment, or hour—for time seemed nothing—a school of giant tuna began leaping around us, smashing the water, making the flying fish rise in clouds, like drifting bees. I saw a whole flock of flying fish rise into the air with that sunset glow and color the background, and the exquisite beauty of life and movement was indescribable.

"I was all Saturday afternoon at this fight, and all in, too, but at last I brought him near enough for the captain to grasp the wire leader. . . . Then there was something doing round the boat for a spell! I was positive that a tornado had hit us. But the explosion was only made by the swordfish's tail and Capt. Dan's voice, yelling for another gaff. When the second gaff was passed to him, as he gripped the wire leader, there was another submarine attack, but the boat did not sink.

"Next came the job of lassoing the monster's tail. Here I shone, for I had roped mountain lions with Buffalo Jones, and I was there with the goods. Capt. Dan and I were unable to haul the fish into the boat and we had to rig block and tackle to the mast and thus lift the tail on the deck, secure that and then pull the head from the other side. After that I needed some kind of tackle to hold me up.

"We were miles from the camp and I was wet, cold and exhausted, and the pain in my blistered hands was excruciating. But not soon shall I forget that ride down the shore with the sea so ripping and moon-blanched, and the boom of the surf on the rocks, and the peaks of the island standing up bold and dark against the white stars."

FLY-TYING FOR BEGINNERS.

[Concluded from last week.]

It is understood that the necessary instruments and and materials have been acquired, and we wish to begin the work of tying flies immediately; so in the event of a few failures at first, still we shall have time to become skillful before October. It is a good plan to choose a simple wet fly for a beginning, and to assemble the silks and feathers required for that particular pattern in a developing dish or on a plate, which can stand on the table at the right-hand side. Naturally, the flies most easily tied are those without wings; for instance, a red palmer or a coch-y-bondhu, which consists merely of a coch-y-bondhu colored hackle, and a body of peacock herl. As these are "wet fly" patterns, the silk may be waxed, by placing three twelve-inch lengths together—to lessen the chance of a breakage—and pulling them between the thumb and a bit of white wax; then separating the strands, of which only one is wanted for each fly.

A suitable hook having been gripped in the vice—the eye to the right—we proceed to "set in" or make fast a piece of silk; by laying it lengthways along the hook, and turning it back over itself half a dozen times, near the eye, winding away from you, over the top of the hook. Now, for the movement, clip the silk in one of the artery forceps and let it hang straight down, when the weight of the forceps will keep all fast.

Select a coch-y-bondhu hackle—red with black tips and center—strip off the soft stuff near its butt, make the fibres point straight out from the center, by passing the fingers the reverse way of the feather, and fasten the butt on the hook, with close turns of the silk towards the bend, half-way down the shank; secure the whipping by two single hitches; snip off the butt of the hackle and let the end of silk hang down as before. The tip of the hackle projects beyond the eye of the hook. Now take three strands of peacock herl, and lay them pointing tailwards along the hook, and continue the whipping over them to the bend, where it can be secured with another half-hitch. Some people snip off the short ends of herl, which are left at the place where we began whipping over them, but it is better to let these remain, as they help to make the body of the fly a little fatter.

Twist the silk and herl together at the bend of the hook, and wind closely up the shank, nearly to the hackle; there untwist the silk from the herl, fasten down the latter with a few turns and a half hitch, cut off the ends, and leave the silk hanging. The body of the fly is finished, so take the point of the hackle in a pair of pliers and wind it closely back to meet this finish, where it must be tied in with three firm turns of silk. Cut away the left-over part of the point, and work the silk in three or four turns through the hackle to the eye of the hook; there secure with a couple of half hitches, cut off the end of silk, and the coch-y-bondhu is complete. A few diagrams would make this description half as long, but if the process appears difficult, I can assure the beginner that a trial will convince him it is very much the reverse.

Having tied a few of the flies, the beginner may try a red palmer for a change, but first a note by the way. It is the hackle which gives floating power; so, as we desire a coch-y-bondhu to float or not, we add more turns of hackle or do the other thing. To tie a red palmer, set in a length of silk at the bend of a longish hook, and whip on three strands of peacock herl, a plain red hackle—by the point—and a piece of silver twist. Wind the silk and herl together and make the body as before, finishing just behind the eye of the hook. Next, work the silver twist over and up the body in fairly close rings, and fasten off in the same place. Finally, wind on the hackle in close turns from bend to eye, and secure it with two half-hitches. "A whip finish" is more artistic than half-hitches, but these are quite sufficiently good for ordinary use.

One of the most easily tied winged flies is a coachman, consisting of a peacock herl body, a plain red hackle, and a wing of white fowl, or duck, or—in the fly called a "dark coachman"—of starling. Set in the silk and make the body, according to the coch-y-bondhu method; only the hackle must be tied in a little farther back on the hook shank, to leave room for the wings, and the last wind of silk left hanging right up against the hackle. Now choose a small white feather—a seagull feather is best of all—and stroke out the fibres on one side at right angles to the middle rib. Then cut off a piece wide enough to form a pair of wings, which are made by folding the piece in two. Place these wings over the hook, just in front of the hackle, and clip them to the head the fly between the left thumb and forefinger. P the silk twice up under the thumb, and back un the forefinger, to get a grip of the wings, and t hold them upright upon the hook, and strain the tightly in a downward direction. Wind on three m turns with a downward pull after each of the before slackening your hold with the left hand, then let the silk hang while you consider the res The wings most probably are standing up from hook at a correct angle; so cut away any stum lay on two more turns, and finish the fly with couple of half-hitches as before.

I have now described three most useful wet fli and variations of the tying will enable the begin to construct many others of their tribe, until dou less he will feel equal to the work of inventing special fancy fly for himself; but the duns and d flies require an article alone, for besides being rath harder to make, they are perhaps more importa than the rest. Though I say not a word against and it is a killing method in our every-day use, I a not absolutely convinced that "wet fly" fishing can considered "fly" fishing at all, for this reason: the term "wet fly" indicates, the lure sinks belo the surface, while a natural fly is found always flo ing upon the top. Therefore, "dry fly" must be nearer imitation of the real thing and it is the on true "fly" fishing. Probably a wet fly is taken the trout for some small fry—very small fry—ephemeral nymph, beetle, or insect of sorts; or he just hungry at the moment, and will take anythi that looks filling at the price. However, our o friends the wet flies—or lures—unquestionably a killing; and it is necessary always to carry them wit us to the water-side.

FISHING LICENSES IN THE NATIONAL PARKS

The following communication from the Secretar of the Interior, at Washington, August 17, 1915, t Secretary Ernest Schaeffle, California Fish an Game Commission, is of particular interest to th angling fraternity:

"I am in receipt, by your reference, of a lette from A. D. Ferguson, assistant game warden i charge of Fresno Division, stating that the superin tendent of Yosemite Park is not disposed to enforc the laws of California regarding procuring of anglin licenses by fishermen within the metes and bounds of Yosemite National Park, without instructions from this Department.

In response I have to state that the following tel egrams have this day been sent to superintendent Bell of Yosemite Park, and to superintendent Fry of Sequoia and General Grant Parks:

'Laws of State of California obtain over and are enforceable in Yosemite, Sequoia and Grant National Parks. Persons desiring to fish in waters in these parks must first obtain fishing licenses required by State laws.

Issue proper instructions to secure enforcement of this law in park.' "

MIGRATORY BIRD LAW TO BE ENFORCED.

With the approach of the open season for shooting wild fowl, the United States Department of Agriculture is warning sportsmen that the Federal regulations as amended October 1, 1914, will be strictly enforced. Some misunderstanding has arisen from the fact that the various State laws do not always conform to the Federal regulations. This is regarded as unfortunate but in such cases the Department must insist upon the observance of the Federal regulations.

The Department will consider any recommendations submitted in good faith for amendment of the regulations, but will hold no public hearings thereon, nor will it amend the regulations prior to October 15, 1915. It is the purpose of the Department to conform the regulations to the wishes of the majority of sportsmen so far as it can be done and at the same time give wild fowl the necessary protection.

Federal regulations divide the United States into two zones. Zone No. 1, the breeding zone, includes the States of Oregon, Idaho, Colorado, Nebraska, Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and New Jersey, and all States north of them. Zone No. 2, the wintering zone, includes all States south of those named.

The regulations applying to the Pacific Coast territory prescribe seasons as follows:

Waterfowl—Arizona, California, Texas, Oct. 15—Feb. 1. Oregon, Washington, Idaho—October 1—January 16.

Rails, Coots, Gallinules — Arizona, California (coots), October 15—February 1; Oregon and Washington, October 1—January 16.

Shore Birds—Black-breasted and Golden Plover, Jacksnipe, Yellowlegs—Arizona, California, October 15—February 1; Utah (snipe), October 1—December 16; Utah (plover and yellowlegs), September 1, 1918; Oregon, Washington, October 1—January 16.

Insectivorous birds protected indefinitely. Band-tailed pigeons, cranes, swans, curlew, and smaller shore birds protected until September 1, 1918. Rails and wood ducks in California protected until September 1, 1918.

Shooting prohibited between sunset and sunrise; or at any time on the Mississippi river between Minneapolis and Memphis after January 1, 1915.

At the Traps

and American Handicap Winner.—L. B. Clarke hicago won the Grand American Handicap, the 's premier trap shooting event, in Grant Park n, after tying with three others at 96 out of 100 ets, he broke 20 straight in the shoot-off. arke is not a seasoned shooter and this makes performance all the more noteworthy. He has following the clay bird game for only about a , although previously he had been an ardent tsman. Clarke is vice-president of the Hibernian k and holds the same office in the Sportsmen's o of America.

he three men who tied with Clarke were M. E. ire of Hampton, Ind., C. C. Hickman of Yeoman, , and J. J. Randall of Greensburg, Kan. Clarke Dewire shot from the 18-yard line while the oth- were on the 19-yard mark.

he four leaders each received $664.50 of the A. H. purse. In addition Clarke received a chest silver. Six men with scores of 95 carried away 6.44 each. They were: E. W. Anderson, J. H. ry, A. Gilson, C. F. Helm, P. L. Heinicke and W. Irrgang. Eleven men finished with scores of and seven with cards of 93. Shooting the last day s under the most trying conditions. Throughout tournament the contestants have been bothered a strong breeze blowing diagonally across the ps, but Saturday it was nearly a gale.

he Consolation Handicap with 274 entrants was n by H. Hammersmith of Milwaukee, after a shoot- with Sam Leever, the former baseball pitcher, now Goshen, Ohio. Both finished the 100-bird event h cards of 91. Hammersmith won the shoot-off by ashing 18 out of 20, while Leever broke only 16. a shoot-off for the third place D. Livingstone of ungstown, Ohio, won by breaking 20 straight. The ner of the consolation received $145, second man k $130.50 and third man $116.

The professionals staged a race for the Henry nford trophy and R. O. (Pop) Hikes carried home bacon. Six men entered and Taylor was elim- ted with a score of 87 on a 100-bird shoot. In the phy contest, which was also at 100 targets, Heikes oke 96, Bart Lewis was second with 95, E. S. Gra- m third with 94, Lester German fourth with 93, and S. Spencer last with 92.

The tournament was such a great success that the 16 G. A. H. probably will be held at the same spot.

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Vernon Gun Club Organized.—Los Angeles is to ve a gun club second to none on the Pacific Coast. he new club was organized by a number of shoot- s who realized the necessity of having grounds at could be reached from all parts of the city for five cent car fare. The club leased a beautiful urteen acre tract from the Huntington interests, d then erected a club house, shooting shed, trap ilkheads, and every other detail which helps to ake an ideal shooting park.

In the organization of the new club, an original ea was presented. A full membership card free charge, good for all time, carrying no membership es, dues or assessments, was issued to all lovers of e scatter gun. This membership card entitles the lder to all privileges of the grounds and to compe- tion to the prizes and trophies put up by the club. S. W. Trout will be keeper in charge and super- ttendent of the grounds. Targets will be trapped r one cent each, and a full line of all standard trap ads of the various ammunition manufacturers will e carried on the grounds, and sold at prices estab- shed by the Los Angeles sporting goods houses. untington Park cars go direct to the grounds; Santa e Avenue cars within two short blocks.

Officers of the club elected for the coming year re: C. E. Groat, president; Jack Doyle, vice-presi- ent; William Pugh, treasurer and manager; S. W. rout, secretary and superintendent of grounds.

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Initial Club Shoot.—The opening shoot of the ernon Gun Club was held August 22. A total of orty-four shooters faced the traps during the day nd these gun pointers fired at 4,000 targets with nore or less success, writes Secretary S. W. Trout.

George Melford of Glendale was easily the class of he day. He broke a total of 86 targets in the 100- ird merchandise shoot, and while this is not a won- erful score under good conditions, it is excellent, aking into consideration the new grounds and quar- ering wind that came up at noon.

George was closely followed by Dr. Fitzgerald, who ad a total of 85 breaks to his credit. Mr. Melford lso annexed the long run money of $5 with a traight score of 37. W. G. Wilshire copped the $3 or second long run and Doc Packard hung up third un for the $2 offered.

The club will be open every day in the year with he secretary in charge, and handsome prizes will e offered for competition at the coming Sunday hoots. Every shooter is a member and everybody s welcome. The scores follow:

Merchandise event, 100 birds—Council 69, Melford 86, Mrs. Groat,80, C. E. Groat 74, Hoyt 79, Dr. Fitz- gerald 85, Peterson 79, Grewell 69, Dr. Packard 74, R. L. Hall 64, C. W. Clement 71, Oliver 63, Miller 59, Graham 61, Hill 60, Fullerton 56, S. A. Bruner 56, Monasco 63, Nugent 65, Newton 66, Pugh 82, A. W. Bruner 67.

Practice events—Gardner shot at 50, broke 32; Nissen 90—53; Moist 40—32; L. E. Hall 85—43; Albridge 75—46; Taylor 45—28; Hanson 40—23; Nugent 50—29; Newton 50—33; Anderson 50—21; Van Ness 50—19; Crayne 25—9; Pyle 25—4; Millard 75—43; Hill 50—28; Oliver 50—36; Fullerton 25—20; C. S. Van Horn 50—22; Peterson 35—26; R. L. Hall 40—33; Collins 50—22; Fitzgerald 25—23; Grewell 25—21; Pugh 50—42; Miller 25—17; Packard 25—22; Hoyt 25—17; S. A. Bruner 50—42; Charles Van Horn 25—11; Graham 45—42; Groat 35—24; Mrs. Groat 25—20; A. W. Bruner 50—40; Council 25—20; Clement 25—18; French 25—9; Melford 25—22; Levelle 20—4; Durant 20—6; Perk 25—10; Dr. Bishop 25—19; Trout 25—24; Kimball 25—11; Monasco 25—18.

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Registered Tournament.—The two day shoot of the San Jose Blue Rock Club, September 5 and 6, should draw a large attendance of shooters. This shoot will be about the last big tournament in Central California this season.

Nine 20 bird events—$2.50 entrance, $10.00 added in each event, one 50 bird event, $5.00 entrance, $10.00 added, and a miss and out, $1 entrance, constitutes the card for each day—230 birds a day, 460 birds for both days.

Events 1 to 9 each day, Jack Rabbit System. Event 10, 50 birds, September 5, O. N. Ford championship of California, 25 pairs, now held by Foster Couts of San Diego. Event 10, September 6, O. N. Ford championship of California, 50 singles, now held by Toney Prior, of San Francisco.

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Garden City Traps.—San Jose Blue Rock Club shooters, two squads, were out last Sunday. Dr. A. M. Barker won the county championship, 46x50. C. H. Nash won the special event, 24x25.

The following scores at 100 birds were shot: O. N. Ford 97, Dick Reed 92, Dr. A. M. Barker 90, Geo. H. Anderson 90, C. H. Nash 90, Louis Baumgartner 89, C. R. Arques 88, A. Smith 86, B. Jones 85, P. Miller 85.

Doubles, 24 pairs—Dick Reed 42, O. N. Ford 38, A. F. Baumgartner 35, Dr. A. M. Barker 31.

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Golden Gaters.—The challenge match at the Golden Gate Gun Club shoot August 15 was won by Barney Worthen, who smashed every blue-rock in the string of twenty trapped. Then followed a series of ground challenges, with the following result: Champion class—Worthen 20, Hoelle 20, Bud Havens 15, Prior 18. Shooting off the tie, Worthen again scored 20 in a row, Hoelle 18, Prior 16, Havens 15.

N. A. Howard won in the first class with 19 out of 20. The scores in a following challenge match were: N. A. Howard 17, T. D. Riley 17, H. R. Phinney 17, H. Stelling 17, W. H. Price 16. The tie argument was another tie: Howard 19, Price 19, Phinney 19. McGill's 18 was high score in the second class regular event. The challenge scores that followed were: McGill 18, A. E. Stone 17, W. W. Thomas 14. Thomas, who broke 19 out of 20, won the third challenge match. Stone broke 14. McGill 12.

"Pop" Merrill and H. C. Peet tied, with 17 each, for third class, in the opening match. A. E. Smith won the second shoot with 17; Peet, Merrill and L. Pickersgill each broke 16, T. W. Parson 15. The third time up, Peet and Merrill could not get away from another tie, 16 each, Pickersgill 8, Smith 15.

In the club medal match at 20 birds the winners were: Champion class—E. Hoelle, 19 out of 20. First class—N. A. Howard, 20. Second class—R. E. McGill 18. Third class—L. Pickersgill 20.

The grub shoot" scramble between 15-men teams was won by Captain Phinney's bombardiers, 121 out of 150 birds. Captain Price's scatter-gunners broke 106. Each man shot at 10 birds. The straights were: Thomas, Price, Hoelle, Worthen, Hawxhurst, Howard and Stemfeld. Barney Worthen made the long run of the day—72 straight.

Events—	1			2			3	Ttl
Birds—	10	10	Ttl	10	10	Ttl	10	50
A. G. Flickinger	9	10	19	9	10	19	8	46
H. Stelling	4	7	11	8	6	14	9	34
C. A. Merrill	7	7	14	8	9	17	6	37
G. W. Thomas	8	8	16	9	5	14	10	40
B. E. McGill	8	9	17	10	8	18	9	44
T. W. Parsons	9	8	17	10	6	16	9	42
W. H. Price	9	7	16	9	10	19	10	45
Capt. Du Bray	8	8	16	8	7	15	9	40
R. H. Smith	10	8	18	7	9	16	9	43
H. R. Phinney	8	9	17	6	10	16	8	41
E. Hoelle	10	9	19	10	9	19	10	48
B. H. Worthen	9	9	18	10	10	20	10	48
L. B. Hawxhurst	9	9	18	9	9	18	10	46
H. Havens	10	7	17	9	10	19	8	44
N. A. Howard	10	10	20	10	9	19	10	49
J. E. Wilmath	5	7	12	7	9	16	7	35
L. Pickersgill	10	10	20	8	8	16	8	44
F. Webster	10	8	18	6	7	13	..	31
P. Swenson	7	7	14	7	8	15	..	29
T. D. Riley	9	9	18	9	10	19	8	45
H. C. Peet	7	5	12	8	9	17	9	38
W. S. Stadtfeldt	7	7	14	4	9	13	..	27
A. E. Stone	6	9	15	9	7	16	6	37
H. Hauser	6	7	13	3	7	10	3	26
W. H. Ashcraft	9	5	14	8	7	15	8	37
Toney Prior	9	8	17	9	9	18	9	44
Miss G. J. Meyers	5	4	9	8	6	14	5	28
W. A. Robertson	9	8	17	9	6	15	9	31
L. Stemfeld	9	3	12	7	5	12	10	34
Forestier	8	4	12	3	4	7	2	21
Jones	9	5	14	7	8	15	9	38
Tophan	10	8	18	9	9	18	8	44

EASY 'TIS THAT "E. C." DOES.

The Grand American was won last Saturday by L. B. Clarke, 96 x 100, who used "E. C." smokeless powder. The three high amateur averages, second, third and fourth places in both the Amateur Championship at doubles, and the Chicago Overture, second in the Chicago Introductory and high professional average, were all accomplished with Hercules powders.

Appended is a list of Hercules powder representatives present at the G. A. H. last week, and also the roster of long runs made with "E. C." or Infallible:

List of Representatives at G. A. H.

Mr. J. T. Skelly, Vice-President	Wilmington, Del.
Mr. W. S. Magill, Manager	Chicago, Ill.
Mr. Edw. Banks	Wilmington, Del.
Mr. T. H. Fox	Lynchburg, Va.
Mr. E. M. Daniel	Lynchburg, Va.
Mr. W. S. Jones	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Mr. F. K. Eastman	Indianapolis, Ind.
Mr. J. R. Graham	Ingleside, Ill.
Mr. H. Kennicott	Evanston, Ill.
Mr. C. W. Hymer	Minneapolis, Minn.
Mr. W. M. Hammond	Wilmington, Del.
Mr. J. R. Hinkle	Oklahoma City, Okla.
Mr. T. W. Baker	Wilmington, Del.

Amateurs.

Runs made in G. A. H. with Hercules Powders (Infallible and "E. C."):	Runs
R. C. Kingsley, Omaha, Neb.	62
L. C. Huckins, Chicago, Ill.	90-68-68
F. G. Fuller, Mukwanago, Wis.	91-64
Wm. M. Foord, Wilmington, Del.	59
F. U. Roseberry, Baltimore, Md.	58
J. S. Young, Chicago, Ill.	57-53-72
S. A. Huntley, Omaha, Neb.	67
Dr. L. G. Richards, Roanoke, Va.	56
Geo. Grubb, Wetmore, Kan.	53
Wm. Wettleaf, Nichols, Iowa	65-60
P. H. O'Brien, Portland, Ore.	106
W. H. Kivitts, Terre Haute, Ind.	53
W. H. Cochrane, Bristol, Tenn.	58
C. E. McKelvey, Seattle, Wash.	65
R. D. Morgan, Washington, D. C.	54
H. C. Stutz, Indianapolis, Ind.	59
J. R. Jahn, Davenport, Ia.	57
C. R. Reilly, Salt Lake City, Utah	51
Wm. Ridley, What Cheer, Ia.	65
O. A. Johnson, Kankakee, Ill.	52
Phil R. Miller, Dallas, Tex.	54
C. G. Emery, Chicago, Ill.	50
P. H. Clark, Chicago, Ill.	59
B. A. Ehrlich, Terre Haute, Ind.	53
H. W. Leffingwell, Chicago, Ill.	57
Chas. Irrgang, Chicago, Ill.	59
L. B. Clark, Chicago, Ill.	70
Dr. L. Finney, West Lebanon, Ind.	51

Professionals.

Runs made in G. A. H. with Hercules Powders (Infallible and "E. C."):	Runs
Bart Lewis, Alton, Ill.	80-56-120-91-62
Fred Bills, Chicago, Ill.	70-82-70-61
T. H. Fox, Lynchburg, Va.	50-62
J. R. Graham, Ingleside, Ill.	55-60
H. Kennicott, Evanston, Ill.	67-83
T. H. Keller, Jr., New York City	55
J. T. Skelly, Wilmington, Del.	67
J. R. Hinkle, Oklahoma City, Okla.	66
Ed. Graham, Long Lake, Ill.	106

WILD DUCKS NUMEROUS.

Just a foreword on prospects for the coming duck season. Numerous flocks, large and small, of ducks have been seen flying over San Pablo and Suisun bays. Sprig and mallard are already somewhat numerous in the Suisun marsh ponds. Several flocks of bluebills and sprig have been seen during the past week in the southern portion of San Francisco bay. Some of our weather sharps prophesy an early winter. Experienced duck hunters claim the hunting season will be A-1 this fall.

E. A. Richards, a game warden from the northern part of the State, reports that wild ducks of every variety were never before in the history of the rice belt section of Butte county more plentiful than this season.

At Butte creek, in the vicinity of Gridley, Biggs, Richvale and thereabouts, the wild ducks abound in thousands upon the open ground. The Graves ranch of 600 acres he observed covered with the game.

George Neale, of the Fish and Game Commission, claims that the rice fields and the irrigation necessarily adjunct to them are responsible for the abundance of game.

FIXTURES.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

September 5-6.—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

September 6—Tacoma Gun Club, Tasoma, Wash., "Old Policy"; Carl Coon, Secretary.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

September 24—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

FOUNDING AND IMPROVING A HEREFORD HERD.

One of your readers, a novice in Hereford breeding, submits the pedigree of his bull and asks advice as to the kind of cows, individually and in bloodlines, he can best be mated with. I can not give an intelligent answer to his question without a personal knowledge greater than is submitted. It is difficult enough when all the factors of ancestry of bulls and cows are known; but a general discussion may aid your inquirer and others.

The pronounced merit and consequent popularity of Herefords have been made possible by the consistent efforts of breeders who have studied the problem of "like begets like" for many years, and have always had in view some ideal type to breed for, and by culling out each year such animals as do not come up to the standard required uniformity eventually becomes firmly established in the herd and the cattle will all look alike. The main thing to be considered in establishing uniformity in a herd is to secure a bull from a breeder who has made a study of the subject, and has been successful in perfecting an acceptable and profitable type. The bull should if possible be the product of this breeder unless it came from a herd of similar type and breeding. Individual merit in a herd bull is advisable when possible, but strict conformity to showyard requirements is not always necessary to make a good breeding bull. A good head and horn, denoting prepotency and intensified breeding, are all-important in selecting a herd bull. When possible it is better to see the bull and his sire and dam and the herd out of which he comes. Should this inspection be satisfactory it is reasonably safe to assume that the bull will breed after this type, although cases have been known where animals of identical breeding have varied considerably in their produce, the one out-breeding the other in individual merit. Still I think these are exceptions and should not be considered too seriously. The breeding problem at the best will take a man's most earnest thought, if he wishes to get to the top.

A linebred sire is apt to be more prepotent than a bull of mixed breeding. In the former a concentration of one type has been perfected through several generations, intensifying the reproductive tendency to such an extent that a uniform bunch of calves may be expected from a mixed lot of cows and from colts of the same type almost absolute uniformity should result. The sire of mixed breeding may be an excellent individual and will no doubt beget some outstanding calves but some of the objectionable types in his pedigree will show up now and then. There is no fixed standard of conformation in Herefords. Different breeders have their own views of what is the most profitable type to breed for. Some prefer extreme size, others a medium-sized Hereford, with short legs, a compact body and thick flesh, denoting early maturity and easy-keeping qualities; but all have one aim: to better the breed to the best of their ability.

A man starting out to breed cattle must first make up his mind what type he wants to produce, and then act accordingly. It is not necessary to discard a herd of good cows because they are of mixed type and breeding. Cull out the objectionables and then breed up to the type sought, rejecting each year such cows as do not produce what is wanted. There are not many bulls that will "nick" right with every cow; it is the general average of excellence in the crop of calves that denotes the value of a breeding bull—the same as in the cow that produces a good calf every year; but where she produces one the bull may get 50 or more, so it can readily be understood that a good sire may quickly enhance the value of a herd of cows by establishing a uniformity of character throughout. To obtain quicker results and attain the type desired females conforming to such type should be purchased out of herds conspicuous for their uniformity. The buyer could at one step continue the work, with the benefit of the seller's experience thrown in the bargain. This is no small asset for a beginner at the business and should be valued highly.

There are many active breeders today who can recall some of the earlier Herefords, such as Anxiety, Lord Wilton, The Grove 3d, Sir Richard 2d and others. Each of these bulls added fame in the past to the breed and their names will be found in almost every pedigree some generations back. The younger breeders know them only as appearing in the pedigrees of their cattle and have read about them on different occasions. The present-day Hereford owes much to the breeders of the past twenty years who have studied the problem of reproduction wisely and well.

I do not think it advisable to mate one extreme with another; if one has a herd of big, coarse cows he should use a medium-sized, heavy-fleshed, low-down bull on them, with plenty of character, and he is apt to strike a happy medium. If the cows are small, light-boned and thin-fleshed, use the same type of bull with a little more size, but not coarse. Coarseness begets thin flesh and poor doers—two evils to be avoided. I would say to the beginner that if he have a bull and he does not conform to the type wanted, sell him and get one that does; then go ahead and get females, bred on the same lines, but not too close, and of the same type. The results, with proper care and feed for the calves and the herd generally, should prove satisfactory. It is almost impossible to mate animal for animal in a mixed pedigree, as no one man can tell of what type each animal was, but in a line-bred animal where the one type has been the object for several generations there is more certainty in' the results.—Breeders Gazette.

MACK HENDREN COMES TO SIERRA VISTA FARM.

Big, genial Mack Hendren of Springfield, Ky., has recent accepted a position with Revel L. English, of Chino, California, owner of the noted Sierra Vista Stock Farm, and who, perhaps, is the most prominent saddle horse breeder on the coast. Mr. Hendren will leave Mokena, Ill., where he is located, for Chino immediately.

Mr. Hendren has been managing the saddle horse department of Mokane Farm, where he has been most successful with the horses which are the property of the well known Chicago attorney and horseman, Ernest V. Maltby. He could not resist the call of the Golden State, however, and has agreed to assist Mr. English in winning the big $6,000 stake and other prominent exposition shows.

Mr. Hendren will do well with the English horses. This ardent western horse lover has been fortunate in securing his services as this young Kentuckian and San Jacinto will make a pair to be reckoned with in the big $6,000 stake this fall.—Missouri Stockman.

BURLINGTON, IOWA.

Aug. 10—2:17 trot, $1,500:

Sure Mike, br h by Peter W.....(Kelley)	2	2	1
Baron Bates, b h by Baron Wilkes Jr(B. Chandler)	4	1	2
Dette, bl m by Director General.....(Milliman)	1	6	6
Mawitza, br m by Crito Leyburn.....(Taylor)	3	3	4
Caroline, b m by John B. Donovan.....(Jones)	5	5	3
Lad McKinney, b g by McKinney.....(Thomas)	6	4	5
Aldino, ds.			

Time—2:14¼, 2:15¼, 2:15¾.

2:16 pace, $600:

Lee Dale, br h by Archdale.....(Russell)	3	4	1
Willis Woodland, b h by Woodland Boy..(Merrell)	5	1	2
Jack Johnson, ch g by Chas. McGregor (Johnson)	2	2	3
Hal Actor, br h by Actonward.....(Jones)	1	5	5
Bonnie Hal, b m by Dr. Kenaga.....(Alleman)	6	3	4
Don B., br g by Don Densmore.....(H. Thomas)	4	6	7
Bessie R., 7-7-6; Dicto, dr.			

Time—2:14¼, 2:12¼, 2:13¼.

2:10 pace, $600:

Sham Boy, ch h by Chamois.....(Alleman)	1	1	1
Joe Murphy, br g by Chamberlin.....(Dunn)	2	3	2
Society Leader, br h by Don Corbett....(Smith)	3	2	5
Blue Line, b h by Pearline.....(Jones)	5	4	3
Imbro, br h by Zombro.....(DeRyder)	4	5	4
Direct Gentry, ds.			

Time—2:09½, 2:06½, 2:10½.

Aug. 11—2:11 trot, $1,500:

Italian Aubrey, b h by Capt. Aubrey (H. Thomas)	1	2	1
Belford Belle, b m by Echo Bell.....(Ames)	4	1	2
Peter Pearl, b h by Peter the Great...(Wilson)	3	4	3
Evelyn D., ch m by Sidney Dillon.....(Hall)	7	3	5
Lucy Patchen, b m by The Patchen Boy..(Taylor)	5	5	4
Billy Mead, b g by Medeyone.....(Emerson)	2	6	dr
The Comet, 6-7-6.			

Time—2:13¼, 2:12½, 2:13¼.

2:20 pace, $1,500:

Sayde Densmore (4) ch m by Don Densmore.... .....(H. Thomas)	1	1	ro
Good News, b g by New Richmond.....(Rash)	3	3	1
Hal Actor, br h by Actonward.....(Jones)	2	2	2
Canute, b h by Great Heart.....(Goddard)	4	4	3
General Luther's Baby, b m by General Luther .....(Alleman)	6	6	4
Justice B., 5-5-5; Bob White, 7-7-6; Bessie Lamont, ds.			

Time—2:10, 2:08¾, 2:10¼.

Three-year-old pace, $600:

Wanda, b f by Chambertin.....(Dunn)	1	1	1
Alice Merriman, br f by Merriman...(Harrison)	3	2	2
Directum J., blk c by Chambertin.....(Dunn)	2	3	3

Time—2:26¼, 2:24¾, 2:27½.

Aug. 12—2:24 trot, $1,500:

Anzonetta, b m by Lewis Wilkes.....(Daily)	6	2	1
Brisac, blk h by Bingara.....(Palmer)	1	6	2
Bessie Mc., blk m by McBeth.....(McQuig)	7	1	3
Grand Chimes, b h by Kentucky Chimes (Edman)	2	3	7
Caroline, b m by John B. Donovan.....(Jones)	3	5	5
The Proof, br h by The Exponent....(DeRyder)	4	4	6
Dette, blk m by Director General.....(Milliman)	5	7	4

Time—2:15, 2:14¾, 2:14¼.

2:07 pace, $1,500:

Columbia Fire, b g by Pactolus.....(Stantz)	1	1	ro
Little Prince, b h by Geo. Muscovite.....(Bond)	2	3	1
Tommy D., b g by Tommy the Irish Boy..... .....(McMillen)	3	2	2
College Gent, b h by Kentucky Patterson (Barnes)	4	4	3
Grattan Royal, 5-dr.			

Time—2:07, 2:05¼, 2:07½.

Three-year-old trot, $600:

Allie Watts, ch f by Gen. Watts.....(Edman)	1	1	1
Last Sheet, b f by Mainsheet.....(H. Thomas)	3	2	2
Jauntfast, b c by Trampfast.....(Weeks)	2	3	3
Isworthy McKinney, br c by McKinney (Goddard)	4	ds	
Lieut. Aubrey, 5-ds.; Barsac, ds.			

Time—2:19¼, 2:14½, 2:19½.

Team race, 2:15 trot, $500:

Jackie, b g by Constenaro.
Tommy Piper, br g by Tommy Doyle.
Driven by .....(Peak) 1 1

Robert C., b h by Constenaro.
Frank Warren, ch h by Ario Lelburn.
Driven by .....(McMillen) 2 2

Time—2:37½, 2:31.

Aug. 13—2:13 pace, $1,500:

Imbro, b h by Zombro.....(DeRyder)	9	1	1
Elsie Janis, b m by Klatawah.....(McWhitney)	1	8	2
Dad Mix, b g by Robert Mix.....(Chuck)	2	4	3
Strathtell, b m by Motell.....(Barnes)	6	2	6
Blue Line, b h by Pearline.....(Jones)	8	3	4
Gamma May, b m by Gambrel.....(King)	3	9	7
Black Ball, blk h by The Patchen Boy..(Wilson)	4	7	8
Willis Woodland, 7-5-5; Tom King, 5-6-9.			

Time—2:11½, 2:10, 2:10½.

2:20 trot, $600:

Red Silk, b g by Silkwood.....(Britenfield)	1	1	1
Robert E., b g by Edward M.....(Johnson)	2	2	2
Nell Fellows, b m by Walnut Hall.....(Russell)	3	3	4
John D., b g by Colonel Kip.....(Edman)	4	4	3
Hazel Princeton, 5-ds.; Olive Pack, 6-ds.			

Time—2:17¼, 2:19½, 2:18½.

2:14 trot, $600:

Henrietta, br m by Heliograph.....(Wilson)	1	2	2
Sure Mike, br h by Peter W.....(Kelly)	2	1	3
Lady Richmond, b m by Edward M.....(Johnson)	3	3	1
Lad McKinney, b h by McKinney.....(Thomas)	4	4	4
Rose D., ds.			

Time—2:18, 2:16, 2:15½.

THE EVOLUTION OF THE PLOW.

Naturally, ever since the first tilling of the almost beginning with the days of the creation, s form of implement has been used for the purpo turning it over in order to secure a proper foo for the seed or plants, says the Pittsburg Disp The early methods were most primitive in char and it was not until close to the middle of the century that anything like a serviceable article secured.

The first patent for a plow is said to have obtained by Joseph Foljamb in 1730. His inver was closely followed by other plow makers, an struck the same practical idea that has been so orated in the toil-turning instrument of today.

The most primitive of plows was shaped from trunks, limbs or roots of trees. Such were in close to the time of the Christian era. The Old tament mentions plows of iron or bronze, but ex in western Europe and America little progress been made in the improving of the implement s the time of Herodotus. The first recorded form plow is found on the monuments of Egypt, whe consists simply of a wooden wedge tipped with and fastened to a handle projecting backward a beam, pulled by men or oxen, and projecting ward.

In the first half of the 18th century a plow a short convex mold board of wood was introdu from The Netherlands into England and, as impro at Rotherham, in Yorkshire, became known as Rotherham plow and enjoyed considerable vogue

About the same time that Foljamb patented first plow Jethrow Tull invented a plow desig especially to pulverize the soil thoroughly, an embodied in modern plows of the best type.

In attempts to improve the plow the moldbo which raises and turns the furrow slice, and wh appears in the plows of The Netherlands during 17th century, has probably received more attent than any other single part. Thomas Jefferson, published his views in 1789, and James Small 1802, were among the first to attempt to establ the property lines of the moldboard upon a ma ematical basis. It was Small who first brought a plow in which beam and handle were of wrou iron, and the moldboard of cast iron. The sha when made of the same material, required const sharpening. This necessity was removed by device of Ransome in 1803, of chilling and so hard ing the under surface of the share; the upper s face, which is soft, then wears away more quic than the chilled part, whereby a sharp edge is alwa assured.

Nowadays the moldboard is of steel with a chill and polished surface to give greater wearing qu ties and to reduce friction. In the latter part the nineteenth century there were numerous i provements, but no fundamental alterations in t construction of the ordinary plow.

The first important invention of a plow in t country to be patented was by Jethro Wood in 18 He was a resident of Scipio, N. Y., and the first p ent for a sulky plow in America was granted to Brown in 1844, but practical plows of this type we not made until 1864.

The idea of the use of engines and machinery plow the ground seems to have originated with Dav Ramsey and Thomas Wildgoose in 1618, but t motive power they proposed to use is not quite cle Francis Moore in 1769 first attempted to use t steam engine for this purpose. The history of pra tical steam plowing dates from the invention Fowler, assisted by Smith, in 1854.

In the United Kingdom steam plowing is general carried on on the double engine system, introduc by John Fowler in 1865. The most improved plo in the United States consists of large engines drawi behind them a number of plows, sometimes coverir a space of 30 feet.

A COPPER RIVETED CINCH.

An Irish jockey was called as a witness in a tria and the opposing counsel was doing all he could t invalidate his testimony.

"What are you?" he began in a bullying tone.

"Sure, I'm a jockey, same as my father was b fore!" was the reply.

"Ah!" said the barrister, thrusting his hands int his pockets and preparing to enjoy himself hugel with the witness, "and I suppose your father did little cheating in his time, like the rest of the fra ternity?"

"Troth, and I suppose he did now an' thin," wa the quiet response.

"And where do you suppose he is now?"

"In heaven, I hope, rest his sowl."

"And what should such fellows as jockeys do there I should like to know?" inquired the barrister, in voice of thunder.

Paddy scratched his head. Then, with a sly grin he replied:

"Train hosses for the angels, perhaps."

"And cheat them as they did their fellow mortals?"

"Maybe so," replied the jockey, still unabashed.

"Ah! they would be prosecuted then," exclaimed the barrister, triumphantly.

"Sorra a bit," answered the witness.

"And why?"

"Because they might search over and over again and no lawyer would they find there."—Exchange.

THE FARM

DGREE IN PORK PRODUCTION.

re is a too general idea among
rs that pedigree of swine is
hing not worth their attention,
they are only in the business
sing pork. They retain the idea
a pedigree is a meaningless list
e ancestors of some animal, of
st only to the fancier or show
er, whose work, they imagine,
ittle connection with the every-
practice of pork production. This
nistake that is costing hundreds
ousands of dollars to the pork
cers of this country; for pedi-
rightly understood, represents
s, more than many other factors
eat production.

is idea was recently expressed by
mer in this way, referring to the
ded pedigree of a certain hog:
it good will that little piece of
ever do me, when I butcher my

t us forget all about pure breeds
registry associations for a little
, and talk about "just pigs."
hat is the pedigree of that young
nd-black sow that you are keep-
o breed next spring?"
hy, she has no pedigree at all;
just a common hog that I bought
my neighbor, over there."
hen why are you keeping her in-
t of a pig of your own breeding?"
Well, you see, my stock seemed to
unning out, my old sow brought
s several times in succession, and
he neighbors were poking fun at
besides, what she did raise never
ied to amount to much, and it
't pay. The mother of that pig I
ht was an old red sow Neighbor
s owned. She was an extra good
ier, and always brought big lit-
and raised them, too. That shoat
om Brown's black-and-white boar
he's the finest fellow for his age
I ever saw, big, and pretty, too.
ght to get some fine pigs, and lots
hem."
asn't that pig any pedigree?
sn't pedigree mean anything to
farmer? Right there, you get
it all that pedigree means to any

You are discarding pigs whose
wn pedigree is poor, for one with
od pedigree on both sides, and you
ect to make it pay.
hat pedigree was good, but it still
great factors of weakness, the
being that ie doesn't go far
ugh. That pretty boar may have
one of a twin litter, his remark-
growth being do to his start when
nad half of his mother's milk, and
may entirely undo the prolific ten-
cies of the mother. The mother,
, may have been a good pig out of
oor litter and transmit poor shape
thrift, undoing the boar's good
lities, so that posibly you may find
rself back to exactly the same con-
on—small litters and unprofitable
wth. This is no fanciful picture,
what happens many, many times
ctual practice.

he second weakness of that pedi-
e is that it deals with mixed
eds. All of our hogs are but im-
ved types of the wild boar, secured
ough years of care and selection.
tle by little his poor qualities have
n eliminated and the good qualities
the improved breeds fixed, each
ticular breed according to the orig-
tor's ideals of what a hog should

The longer a family has produced
spring of a certain type and excel-
ce, the more this type is fixed and
more surely they will transmit
m to their offspring. When two of
se fixed breeds are crossed, each
supposed to give half of the race
dencies to the resulting young, that
ght be good if it would continue,
t their ability to produce like is also
ided by two and even these half-
wer tendencies conflict among them-
ves. The result is that the age-old,
ld boar tendencies, always strong,
come predominant over man-made,
dern ones, and degeneracy soon
lows.

This brings us back to recorded ped-
ees and registry associations, which
e nothing whatever but a guarantee that the blood lines of a certain animal are pure, and thus able to produce its good qualities in its young, without conflicting tendencies.

If, added to the excellence of the breed, the individual pedigree for several generations show ancestors of merit, you can know with almost certainty that their produce will show like merit. Pedigree, then, rightly understood, means insurance of quality and evenness of production, and this, in hog raising, is as nearly synonymous with profit as anything can be. Pedigree means in many cases, the difference between marketing prime, even pigs at five and one-half to six months, instead of rough, mixed or poor lots at from seven to ten months, as too many farmers think is the time necessary before they can profit (often it is loss) by their pig-feeding. There are too many farmers who lose in profits on every litter more than it would take to buy a start of pedigreed stock.

Another mistake that many farmers have made in times past (and are still making) is to think that excellence in the show ring is too far removed from ordinary operations to interest them. On the contrary, it is exactly what should interest them, for the points required by modern shows are with a few exceptions exactly what the farmer needs. The exceptions are such things as color and extreme requirements for ears, coat, tail, etc., but these usually receive few points on score cards and are themselves not without value, indicating that the pig has its race inheritance highly developed in every part. While the pedigree that boasts many prize winners is not necessary for good results, it at least gives assurance of quality, and show winnings are often the most available history of quality when a pig is to be bought.

Whether individuality or pedigree is most important in animals of pure breeding is sometimes a question hard to decide, but the best opinion seems to be that between a remarkable animal from a family of known efficiency and a somewhat deficient specimen from a notable family, the latter is the best, for in the long run family characteristics overcome individual tendencies, save in rare cases of exceptional prepotency.

Finally, in these times of high-priced feed, pedigree means feed insurance as against speculation in pork production.—Pacific Homestead.

ALFALFA HAY AS FEED FOR HORSES.

We have been feeding alfalfa hay to farm horses and colts for 14 years, says the writer of a prize letter in the Nebraska Farmer. We have colts and their mothers and grandmothers that have lived on alfalfa hay all their lives. On our farm we have no other kind of hay. We have a mare purchased on the range in Wyoming 12 years ago. For 12 years her hay has been alfalfa. She raises a colt nearly every year. Tickle the bronco spirit in her when she is at work and you will think she has all kinds of wind.

We think that alfalfa hay fed with care throughout the whole year causes a saving of one-third in the amount of grain required. As nearly as we can we follow the rule to feed a horse at work one pound of alfalfa hay to each 100 pounds of live weight every 24 hours; that is, 12 pounds of hay to a 1,200 pound horse at three feeds of four pounds each. Colts and horses not at work get less grain and more hay.

In the 14 years we have fed alfalfa hay to horses and colts we have never had any bad results—unless we were short on alfalfa hay. We have a yearling colt whose mother works nearly every day in the year farming and feeding cattle. At one year of age this colt weighed 960 pounds. It had access to alfalfa all the time.

We have lived in York county 31 years. When I came to Nebraska prairie hay was very popular, and we still have a few men who think prairie hay is the only feed for a work horse. It was all right 30 years ago when corn was selling at 14 to 22 cents a bushel, but it is all wrong now when corn is selling at 55 to 70 cents a bushel and you can get four tons of alfalfa where one ton of prairie hay used to grow.

ACREAGE OF FARM LANDS.

The last Federal census shows the total number of farms in the United States to be 6,361,502, containing 878,798,325 acres.

The land in farms represents 46.2 per cent, or less than one-half of the total land area of the country. Of the total acreage given only 478,451,750 acres are classed as "improved land." The balance comprises wood land and other unimproved land in farms. The improved land given above is only about 25.1 per cent of the total area of the country. The average size of farms, as shown by the last census, is 138.1 acres, of which an average of 75.2 acres are improved, and 62.9 acres unimproved.

AIDS IN POTATO PRODUCTION.

(1) a more liberal use of potato seed will generally result in both increased production and profit.

(2) A good storage place is essential in order to insure sound, firm seed at planting time.

(3) The use of high-grade seed will increase the returns from the potato crop of the country by many millions of dollars.

(4) All seed should be treated with formalin before planting to prevent scab.

Water supply and sewage disposal are most important factors in the comfort of the farm dwelling. Where these permit, however, it is desirable to have the farmhouse stand in an open location facing the southwest, so that sunlight may enter all of the rooms during the day. An abundance of ventilation is a necessity, and in most sections of the country the addition of sleeping porches will be found well worth while. The bedrooms should be large enough to allow each person at least 500 cubic feet of space, and preferably 1,000. In the construction of barns, it may be added, not less than 600 cubic feet should be allowed for each 1,000-pound animal.

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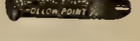
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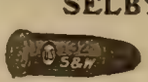
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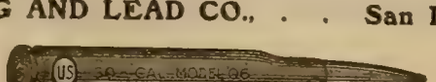
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SAN FRANCISCO (P.-P. I. E.)	Oct. 30-Nov. 13
PHOENIX (Arizona State Fair)	Nov. 15-20

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ELMA, Wash.	Beginning Sept. 1
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SEDALIA, MO.	Sept. 27-Oct. 2
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THOUSAND DOLLAR PURSES AT PHOENIX.

For some time horsemen throughout the west have been on the lookout for the program of open classes to be given in November at the Arizona State Fair, and this week Secretary T. D. Shaughnessy makes announcement of the same through our business pages. Much to the regret of the officials of the fair their racing appropriation was cut down considerably this season, but the program has been arranged to give horsemen the best possible treatment with the money available. Ten open classes for one thousand dollars each have been arranged—for free-for-all, 2:07, 2:09, 2:12 and 2:18 trotters, and free-for-all, 2:04, 2:07, 2:10 and 2:15 pacers, in addition to which other classes are provided for horses owned in Arizona, as well as a liberal list of events for the galopers, which always find favor with the Arizonans. Entries close October first, and records made after that time will not operate as bars to eligibility.

Phoenix has one of the best tracks in the country and modern and conveniently appointed stabling quarters, and by arranging her dates for November 15 to 20 hopes to accomplish two objects with the horsemen: First, to attract all the easterners homeward bound from the fall meeting at the exposition, which immediately precedes the Arizona show, as well as their regular patrons among the western contingent, and, second, to induce some of the stables to winter at that point. Alonzo McDonald, of the "big six" of Grand Circuit fame, spent several months there last fall and winter and had nothing but praise concerning both the advantages offered, natural and artificial, and the treatment received by the local people, who have a well developed general fondness for the harness horse.

Also, the dates coincide well with fixtures in the realm of the gasoline speed bug, as they are just prior to the events at Corona which always attract the benzine burning headliners. For some time the auto and motorcycle events have been accorded prominence at Phoenix, and a 150 mile contest will be the feature of this year's offerings, which will be rounded out by other races.

Blanks with all particulars may be had upon application to Secretary Shaughnessy.

THE THOROUGHBRED MEETING.

With today's racing, the initial meeting of the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association enters upon its third week, with no regrets for that portion that has passed—save that it has passed—and nothing but promise for the future. That so much could have been accomplished under all the conditions existing has been a matter of surprise in many quarters, and is a source of much gratification to all who have in their hearts a love for the sport of racing, either under saddle or to harness.

Presumably, it is a "betless meeting," as Californians formerly knew betting; in reality there is no reason why anyone who longs for action should not get it, for there are plenty of gentlemen who will accommodate you providing the price and the amount are mutually agreeable. The system in vogue is neither that of New Orleans or New York, but is a great modification on the old method of operation where the races were more often raced in the betting ring than on the track. Large wagers are few and far between; modest sums are the rule, and such speculation as is indulged in is confined very largely to the "regulars" of the recognized "sporting element" to be found in any city of this size. The layers of wagers are free lances and there is no insurance against welchers. This operates to discourage "plunging," in which there is also another element of restraint—the prices offered. None of those present are seriously threatened with immediately impending death from enlargement of the heart superinduced by lavish generosity. The fact remains, however, that such betting as is carried on is so handled that it is not an abomination to the public.

From the standpoint of the man or woman who goes to the races purely and simply for the love of racing for racing's sake—and such are to be found present in generous numbers daily—the meeting has proven a source of much enjoyment and genuine pleasure. The professional race track habitue would doubtless cast a disparaging eye at the majority of horses contending in the daily events and class them as a cheap bunch of "selling platers," "oat hounds," "hay beagles," etc., but they put up races that in most instances have the all-redeeming feature of being contests, and contests are the things that thrill the heart of the real horse lover. Two to four horses leveling for all they are worth and coming to the wire head-on furnish a much more pleasing spectacle, even if they be merely platers, than would be furnished by a field of stake horses of high quality in which one individual stood out pre-eminently as the best. "The race is the thing," and never has it been more conclusively demonstrated than at this meeting. Every day has its quota of driving finishes, and on one card five out of the six races were won by no more than a neck.

This pleasing feature is due not only to the horses themselves but to another policy of the association—that of furnishing fair purses to race for as well as discouraging heavy speculation. True, the purses are not of monumental size, but they are large enough to overshadow the betting—that is, a win in most instances is more liberally rewarded by the owner's attendant call upon Secretary Nealon and Treasurer Tobin than is his visit to the layers of wagers. Last week the purses ran as low as $250; this week the minimum was $300, and if the gate receipts justify them in so doing, the officials of the association will raise this figure during the latter portion of the meeting.

Aside from the fact that the racing has been well contested, it is also worthy of note that by far the greater portion of the events have been above suspicion. True, there have been numerous rides that could have been improved upon, but more of them have been due to lack of skill and experience than to a disinclination to win. At all events there has been nothing sufficiently bad, at this writing, to invoke the disciplining powers of the judges or stewards, such penalties as have been pronounced having been imposed by Starter Stevens for infractions of the rules at the post.

The preliminary announcements of the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association that they would endeavor to revive racing on a new standard that would meet with general approbation rather than with public condemnation have so far been made good in an incontrovertible manner, and they have the thanks, best wishes and support of right minded lovers of his majesty, the horse.

Sixth Day—Friday, August 27.

First race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: D. K. Carter's br g Angelus (aged) by Sandringham—Vespers, 118 lbs., (Gentry) won easily; Hannis (aged), 113, second; Merry Twinkle (3), 109, third; Vespasian, Zinkand, Laura James, Rhodes, Sheffield and Renwar also ran. Time, 1:15 2-5.

Second race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: El Paso Stable's b g Acumen (aged) by Ilderim—Adele Harding, 118 lbs., (Burns) won easily; Princess Industry (aged), 111, second; Rey Shannon II, 121, third; Tordillo, Engraver and Annual Interest also ran. Time, 1:15 4-5.

Third race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: F. Rinehart's b g The Feller (6) by The Major—Rubiana, 108 lbs., (Burns) won driving; Uncle Jimmy Gray (aged), 106, second; Charity Ward (3), 104, third; Norford Rose, Kid Nelson, Bill York and Finnigan also ran. Time, 1:06 3-5.

Fourth race—One mile, selling, purse $300: J. McCarthy's br g Metropolitan (aged) by Filigrane—Annie Thompson, 111 lbs., (Gross) won easily; Chas. W. Hodges (aged), 117, second; Zoroaster (aged), 114, third; Eastman and Stolen Ante also ran. Time, 1:41.

Fifth race—Seven furlongs, selling, purse $250: L. D. Gentry's b g Quick (5) by Conjuror—Fanny Wilson, 110 lbs., (Gentry) won easily; Henry Walbank (aged), 115, second; Orbe Smile (aged), 113, third; McAlan, Cantem, Prince Conrad and Sleepland also ran. Time, 1:27 4-5.

Sixth race—Seven furlongs, selling, purse $250: L. B. Wood's b g Sweetbait (4) by Fisher Boy—Cupboard Love, 115 lbs., (O'Brien), won handily; Nebraska Lass (aged), 113, second; Dennis Stafford (aged), 115, third; Electrowan, Choctaw and Tom Chapman also ran. Time, 1:27.

Seventh Day—Saturday, August 28.

First race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: Mallory & Co's ch m Miss Tempo (4) by Tempo—Standard, 113 lbs., (O'Brien) won driving; Robert Mantell (4), 115, second; Hardy (6), 115, third; Lady St. Patrick, Azurea, Stelcliff, Madelle, Lillian Ray and Miss Sedalia also ran. Time, 1:15 1-5.

Second race—Five furlongs, selling, two-year-olds, purse $250: T. B. Munford's br g Brooks (2) by Leonid—Insolence, 108 lbs., (O'Brien) won easily; Laughing Water (2), 95, second; Toastmaster (2), 105, third; Lola, Von Lady, Ojita and Leah Cochran also ran. Time, 1:02 3-5.

Third race—Five and a half furlongs, handicap, purse $300: Nevada Stock Farm's b m Scarlet Oaks (4) by Dick Welles—Glena, 116 lbs., (Burns) won ridden out; Eureka (aged), 107, second; Loftus (4), 111, third; Orange Blossom also ran. Time, 1:07.

Fourth race—Seven furlongs, Stewards' Cup selling stakes, net value $675: Daniels & Hodges' br g John Graham (aged) by Modred or Fake—Leenja, 114 lbs., (Palms) won driving; Theodorita (4), 107, second; Kootenay (aged), 119, third; Stolen Ante and Seneca also ran. Time, 1:27.

Fifth race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: J. Ferguson's ch m Lady Young (6) by Henry Young—Masher, 113 lbs., (Carter) won driving; Custom House (4), 118, second; Sweetbait (4), 115, third; Baby Lynch, Transparent, Miss Clark, Sweetdale and Old Bob also ran. Time, 1:15 3-5.

Sixth race—One mile, selling, purse $300: J. A. Pritchard's ch m Ora McGee (6) by McGee—Idly, 101 lbs., (Phillips) won driving; Ceos (4), 108, second; Henry Walbank (aged), 109, third; Christmas Eve, Commendation and Fairly also ran. Time, 1:41 3-5.

Eighth Day—Monday, August 30.

First race: Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $300: L. Miller's br g Mark Kennedy (aged) by Wax Taper—Miss Dora, 108 lbs., (Burns) won easily; Camia (5), 106, second; Delmas (aged), 108, third; Kitty Stanfield, Minnie F., Tallow Dip, Viva, Mintanka, Wasatch, Sajetta and Vespasian also ran. Time, 1:08 2-5.

Second race: Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $300: Mrs. B. McClintick's bl g Darkey (5) by Modred—Zirl, 109 lbs., (Small) won driving; Carondelet (aged), 109, second; Aunt Elsie (4), 101, third; Norford Rose, Zenotek, Roscas, Marta Mac, Wernras and Vireo also ran. Time, 1:07 2-5.

Third race: Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $300: J. Randolph's br g Minco Jimmie (aged) by Bonnie Joe—Mary Hill, 103 lbs., (Gentry) won easily; John Hurie (5), 108, second; Tight Boy (5), 115, third; Auto Maid, Ida Lavinia, La Cazadora, Ida Cummings, Quantity and Van Horn also ran. Time, 1:08.

Fourth race: Six furlongs, selling, purse $300: W. J. Dunn's br m Thistle Belle (aged) by Knight of Thistle—Belturbet, 113 lbs., (Lounsberry) won driving; Sweetbait (4), 115, second; Butterball (aged), 115, third; Frazzle, El Pato, Miss Folly, Master Franklin and Pro Realis also ran. Time, 1:14 4-5.

Fifth race: Five and a half furlongs, selling, maidens, purse $300: J. H. Walker's b g Lovey Johnny (3) by Johnny Lyons—Lovey Mary, 106 lbs., (O'Brien) won easily; Rey Shannon II. (3), 114 second; Merry Twinkle (3), 106, third; Laura James, Smoky Dan, Rhodes, B. C. Winston, Otto Kahn, Queen Bergy, Sunflower Belle and Queen Maeve also ran. Time, 1:08 2-5.

Sixth race: One mile, selling, purse $300: M. Kennedy & Co.'s ch g Transparent (aged) by Smile—Little Pearl, 111 lbs., (O'Brien) won easily; Quick (5), 106, second; Fairly (4), 111, third; Wise Mason, Prince Conrad, Valadolid and Lady M. M. also ran. Time, 1:41 1-5.

Ninth Day—Tuesday, August 31.

First race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $300: S. Lando's ch m Faustina (5) by Star Shoot—Nisbat, 109 lbs., (Riddle) won driving; Jennie Crawford (5), 104, second; Old Coin (5), 111, third; Hardy, Briton, Augustus Heinze, Fort Johnson, Kid Nelson and Marie O'Brien also ran. Time, 1:08 1-5.

Second race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $300: F. T. Shortell's b g Old Bob (3) by Joe Carey—Foul Play, 106 lbs., (Burns) won driving; Tordillo (3), 104, second; Miss Geneviege (6), 110, third; Bunny, Teeto, Magikon and Bobby Johnson also ran. Time, 1:15 4-5.

Third race—Five furlongs, two-year-olds, purse $300: G. Van Gorden's ch f Rose Marian by General Roberts—Rose Cherry, 120 lbs., (Kirschbaum) won in a canter; Frisky, 112, second; Mary Jay, 112, third; Robert Lee also started. Time, 1:02 1-5.

Fourth race—One mile, selling, purse $300: Daniels & Hodges' br g John Graham (aged) by Modred or Fake—Leenja, 111 lbs., (Palms) don driving; Be (6), 108, second; Zoroaster (aged), 107, third; Metropolitan and Rey also ran. Time, 1:40 2-5.

Fifth race—Seven furlongs, selling, purse $300: Mallory & Co.'s b m Electrowan (aged) by Joe Terry—Quatre, 113 lbs., (O'Brien) won handily; Lady Young (6), 113, second; Southern Gold (aged), 110, third; Tom Chapman, Acumen, Ceos, Loan Shark and Gimli also ran. Time, 1:28 2-5.

Sixth race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $300: W. J. Dunn's ch h Tight Boy (5) by Serpent—Azuba, 116 lbs., (Lounsberry) won easily; Sonoma (5), 111, second; Fred T. (3), 104, third; Angelus, Light Knight, Lofty Heywood, Robert Mantell and Forest Rose also ran. Time, 1:14 4-5.

Tenth Day—Wednesday, September 1.

First race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $300: Hoag & Co.'s ch g Kid Nelson (5) by Solitaire II.—Bohemian Lass, 108 lbs., (Gross) won driving; Ed Luce (4), 111, second; Azurea (5), 108, third; Lillian Ray, Zamlock, Fred T., Smoky Dan, Wasatch, Bob Love, Moller and Renwar also ran. Time, 1:08 1-5.

Second race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $300: R. G. Brown's bl g Carondelet (aged) by Bannockburn—Ida Kearney, 108 lbs., (Hawkins) won driving; Custom House (4), 111, second; Delaney (aged), 108, third; Roseas, Norford Rose, Choctaw, La Cazadora, Charity

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San Francisco and Santa Rosa Matinees

Sunday was one of the nicest racing days, from the weather standpoint, that the San Francisco-California Driving Club has been favored with this season, and while the footing at the Stadium track was not as fast as it has been occasionally in days gone by, the track record had a mighty close call.

Bondalean, the great young pacer in the Silva stable, was the lad that caused the old record to have an attack of ague, and the horse that forced the fast stepping was Adolph Ottinger's Dick W., the owners having the mounts, the other starters being Little Bernice, W. J. K. and Pointer Belle. The boys went away a bit fast in the first heat, with the result that both Dick W. and Bondalean went to breaks in the first quarter, Little Bernice assuming a good lead around the turn and W. J. K. going into second place, Dick W. being the first of the tangoists to get back to his normal gait and dropping into third. Past the half Ot began moving up and passed W. J. K. on the turn, the Kenney entry making an ascension. Down the stretch Dick closed fast and gamely but had too far to come and finished lapped up on Little Bernice in 2:12, with W. J. K. third and Bondalean taking things comfortably back in fourth place.

Charley Silva then came to the stand and filed a lien on the trophy, stating in all confidence that there would be nothing to the race from there on except his entry, subsequent events proving that he had a fair sort of an idea of what he was talking about. Bernice brought the field past the stand the first time down, with Bondalean and Dick second and third, respectively, W. J. K. having difficulties in getting around the turn. Ot was a bit back in the middle section of the course but began closing up after passing the half, which was reached in 1:05. Coming into the straight the clip was too much for the Del Coronado mare and she went in the air, Bondalean standing off Dick W. by little more than a long neck in the stiffest kind of a drive, the last half in 1:03 and the mile in 2:08—some mile for a three-year-old over an amateur track with an amateur driver up.

As the race was for three heats only, Dick W. could still head the summary by landing the last heat, having two seconds to his younger rival's fourth and first, and the final mile was a battle for blood. Smith supplanted Owner Kenney behind W. J. K., but the change had no effect on the results, as the bay gelding broke shortly after getting away and the leaders went out in the same order as in the preceding heat. At the half Silva made a sprint that carried Schwartz' mount to a break and drew away for a good lead. Again Dick came from well back and again was lapped up on the winner at the wire, the heat being in 2:10½ and getting a good hand from the crowd.

Billy Malough and the ever reliable Emma M. annexed the 2:18 pace handily after King Pointer had taken the first heat, Zorankin going the best race of the balance of the field. Miss San Francisco started in to make a runaway affair of the free-for-all trot, but got unsteady in the final heats and finished last in both, St. Patrick trotting a consistent and a winning race. The real feature of the trot, however, was the "daybu" of Sandy Smith and the performance he put up with Ella M. R. The big daughter of Lord Alwin has never hit her gait right since her long let-up after her two-year-old races, and in the first heat was ten years behind excitement. Sandy made a few changes after his own notion between heats and sprung a real surprise in the second and threatened to win the third right up to a few yards from the wire.

Bradmont, racing from behind in the final quarter, after his favorite system, nipped Happy Dentist at the wire in both heats of the 2:15 pace, going a pair of nice miles in 2:12, 2:12½, and Rosie O. straight heated her field in the mixed class, the nice mannered Cookey furnishing her a bit of company. One of the most pleasing features of the afternoon was the removal by the police of a number of sixty per cent handbook makers, who have made themselves objectionable at recent matinees, eight of these gentry being furnished with free transportation from the grounds. The day in detail:

2:18 pace—Prize, Smoking Set, presented by the Club:

Emma M., b m (Wm. Malough)	(Malough)	2	1 1
King Pointer, b g (H. Campodonico)	(Burton)	1	3 4
Zorankin, b g (Frank Callea)	(Callea)	3	2 3
G. J. P., b g (R. Consani)	(Consani)	5	6 2
Hamburg Belle, b m (J. Ginocchio)	(Schwartz)	4	4 6
Tom Murphy, b g (E. T. Ayres)	(Ayres)	6	5 5

Time—2:14, 2:14½, 2:15½.

Free-for-all trot—Prize, Robe, presented by J. W. Wilkins:

St. Patrick, b g (J. J. Ryan):	(Lauterwasser)	2	1 1
Miss San Francisco, br m (Al Schwartz)	(Schwartz)	1	3 3
Ella M. R., br m (Geo. J. Giannini)	(Smith)	3	2 2

Time—2:19, 2:18, 2:17.

Free-for-all pace—Prize, Cocktail Set, presented by Senator R. J. Welch:

Bondalean, br c (3) (C. F. Silva)	(Silva)	4	1 1
Little Bernice, b m (J. C. Welch)	(Schwartz)	1	3 4
Dick W., b g (A. Ottinger)	(Ottinger)	2	2 2
W. J. K., b g (W. J. Kenney)	(Kenney-Smith)	3	4 4
Pointer Belle, b m (Kidd & Luce)	(Luce)	5	5 5

Time—2:12, 2:08, 2:10½.

2:15 pace—Prize, Fruit Basket, presented by the Club:

Bradmont, b g (Geo. J. Giannini)	(Lauterwasser)	1	1
Happy Dentist, ch g (J. J. Ryan)	(Schwartz)	2	2
Jack, bl g (McDonald & Conlan)	(Conlan)	5	3
Mabel Dillon, br m (B. Cohen)	(Burton)	3	5
Senator H., b g (Joe Kidd)	(Hanks)	4	4

Time—2:12, 2:12½.

2:25 mixed—Prize, Carving Set, presented by the Club:

Rosie O., bl f (3) (J. J. Ryan)	(Schwartz)	1	1
Cookey, b g (J. Vermet)	(Vermet)	2	2
Ateka, b m (B. Cohen)	(Burton)	3	3
Marin, b g (P. Kane)	(Kane)	4	4

Time—2:19, 2:18¾.

SANTA ROSANS HAVE GOOD SPORT.

[Report by The Republican.]

Santa Rosa, August 29.—Sarah C. and Jessie Dillon divided the honors at the fair grounds today, with Dr. William S. Jennings coming well to the fore as a favorite with the fifteen hundred fans that were gathered for the afternoon's sport. Seldom if ever has such a fine program been given at the local track for so little money, and the fans were of one mind in demanding that the Sonoma Driving Club give us more of these matinees and plenty of them.

"They should have these things oftener," was heard on every hand, while horsemen from San Francisco who came up for the meet went away surprised at the splendid turnout of horses for the events and saying that if the public did not appreciate such a meet as this one, they could not care much about racing.

Sarah C. clipped off a mile in 2:14¼ in the last heat of the second race, the 2:15 mixed event. She was racing against Pfeister's Lynwood and Nutwood Demonio, two fast ones, and had all she could do to stretch under the wire a winner. Lynwood took the first heat in 2:15, while the second went to Nutwood Demonio in 2:15¼, Sarah C. coming back in the third and taking the heat and the race by lowering the previous marks. In each case Sarah C. got away to a bad start. The first heat of this race was the closest of the day. It was a whirlwind finish and all three horses were bunched and driving hard on the stretch. Sarah C. was leading to win when Lynwood came up with a rush and nosed her out. Sam Norris was up behind Sarah C.

In the first race of the day Jessie Dillon won in two straight heats, 2:21¼ and 2:26¼. Although this was the first race for the little sorrel, she took it like a veteran and won hands down each time. She got away poorly, but in each heat was leading before the half-mile pole was reached. She was driven to victory by Frank D. McGregor, her owner.

In the free-for-all, Dr. William S. Jennings took the event in straight heats, 2:12 and 2:13. The big sorrel won easily, although once in the stretch it looked as if Le Donna was going to forge ahead. The Ryan mare broke, however, and lost the chance of winning. Both heats were pretty, and if Le Donna had not broken during the circuit in both heats, the finish would have been much closer.

Sam Norris drove The Potrero to a straight heat win in the fourth race, the 2:25 pace. The big horse made 2:23 and 2:23¼ and was not in any danger at any time. She started bad, but pulled herself up well and was leading before the half was reached in each heat. Tom Mack took second in the first heat and The Tramp in the second.

The road race was the last one on the program and furnished a great deal of excitement, although the time was miserable. Pacific, with L. Blurock up, won the first heat and went to the stables, as per agreement. Then Linnie C. with J. Compton up took the second and last heat of the race. Guy Carlton was scratched and Ike M. substituted.

So much for the card of regular races. Not content with giving the public more than its twenty-five cents' worth in racing, the club put on some exhibitions. First came an equipment race by a mounted squad from the army engineers' camp. Captain Moore and Lieutenant Fleming were in charge of the men. For a half mile they strung out their equipment, taking bridles apart and leaving them in one place, saddles apart and leaving them in another, blankets in another, and so on. The men started with their horses bareback, and assembled the bridles, then rode to where the saddles were strewn about and assembled these. Then they kept on until their outfits were all together and on the horses and the first man to ride the circuit of the inside track, provided his equipment was in order, was the winner. Corporal Hardesty was declared the winner and Musician Hesse second. Each was penalized one point for minor displacement of equipment.

Later another squad gave an exhibition setting-up and bayonet drill, which proved of great interest, showing as it did the exercises which the soldiers have to take to keep themselves fit and in trim.

Another feature of the program was an exhibition half-mile by Joe Ryan's guideless wonder, College Maid. The mare traveled the half in 1:08½ and went straight as an arrow to the stables at the conclusion of the circuit.

Still another feature of the program was the music, furnished between events by Guidotti's Royal Italian orchestra. This added materially to the pleasure of the afternoon.

To the members of the Sonoma Driving Club we say, "Give us these matinees oftener," and in doing so we echo the sentiment of the public.

The officials for the meet were:

Judges—H. B. Smith of Ukiah, Millard Sanders of Pleasanton and C. C. Oliver of Forestville.

Timers—Len Brittain, W. English and Tom Carlton.

Starter—W. Higginbottom of San Francisco. M Higginbottom is a licensed starter and has been a work in the matinee game in San Francisco for th past seven or eight years. He was loud in his prais of the meet and urged that it be repeated often.

The summaries follow:

2:20 trot:

Jessie Dillon	(T. D. McGregor)	1	
Lady Steinmore	(F. S. Turner)	2	
Alameda Maiden	(J. Grimes)	5	
Ned	(Vansant)	3	
Springtime	(Joe Ryan)	4	

Time—2:21¼, 2:26¼.

2:15 mixed:

Sarah C.	(Sam Norris)	2	2
Pfeister's Lynwood	(J. Compton)	3	1
Nutwood Demonio	(J. Grimes)	1	3

Time—2:15, 2:15¼, 2:14¼.

Free-for-all pace:

Dr. William S. Jennings	(F. S. Turner)	1	
Le Donna	(Joe Ryan)	2	

Time—2:12, 2:13.

2:25 pace:

The Potrero	(Sam Norris)	1	
Tom Mack	(F. McGovern)	2	
The Tramp	(J. Grimes)	3	

Time—2:22¾, 2:23¼.

Road race:

Pacific	(L. Blueback)	1	re
Linnie C.	(J. Compton)	2	
Ike M.	(J. Grimes)	3	
Sir Lynwood	(H. Carleton)	5	
Guy's Anteeo	(Harry Whitney)	4	

Time: ——, ——.

FREEMAN HOLMES BACK HOME.

F. Holmes, the well-known Canterbury trainer of light harness horses, returned to Christchurch last week from America, after a short but thoroughly enjoyable visit to the United States. In the course of a brief chat, "Free" told me that he had seen all the racing at the Panama-Pacific Exposition with the exception of the first day's programme, which he missed owing to the steamer being late in arriving. The sport at that meeting he described as thoroughly high-class, and he said that he had been specially impressed by the sound constitution exhibited by practically all the horses competing, who had to take part in a very strenuous programme. They were, as a rule, particularly well-mannered and well-gaited, and knew their business thoroughly. He took a particular interest in White Sox, the winner of the big pacing event at the exposition, as he spent a great deal of time with Will Durfee, her driver, whom he found one of the most genuine of friends. White Sox is an unhoppled pacer, but it was interesting to notice that when she first began to move up for the score, she went at a trot, changing to a pace when she increased her speed. The racing itself, said "Free," was the feature that received practically all the attention of the authorities in the States, and there was not the same provision made for the convenience and comfort of the public as was the case in New Zealand. The American trainers whom he met were exceedingly kindly disposed towards visitors, and always prepared to give information and advice. They were much interested in learning about conditions in New Zealand, and some of them said they were inclined to pay the Dominion a visit. As was mentioned last week, Holmes bought three horses, which are due to arrive next week, and he left a commission to secure a fourth. If breeding counts for anything, these three horses should prove valuable acquisitions to the trotting stock of the Dominion.

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Mr. H. Barlow's imported American mares, Queen Patch and Alice Shaw, were released from quarantine last week, and were brought over to Christchurch looking little the worse for their long trip from New York. Mr. Barlow was lucky in being able to arrange for their shipment by a steamer sailing direct from New York for Lyttelton, and his two purchases have the distinction of being the first horses to come to the Dominion by way of the Panama Canal. Queen Patch, who, as has already been stated, is by Thistle from Nelly Patch, is a pacer, while Alice Shaw, a trotter, is by Edward Audubon from Forest Belle. Queen Patch, who is a handsome mare, showing a lot of quality, has been placed in A. Fleming's charge. This trainer some time ago purchased the property at Riccarton formerly occupied by R. O'Donnell, and subsequently acquired a block of 26 acres of land adjoining, enabling him to lay out a first-class private training track. Alice Shaw is at present being looked after by J. H. Duncan, who is conditioning her prior to her being sent to another trainer. This mare evidently got down during the voyage, and shows marks on her hind legs.

The strictness of the New Zealand quarantine regulations as exemplified in the case of Mr. Barlow's importations does not offer a great deal of encouragement to New Zealanders to bring horses from the United States. Mr. Barlow's two mares were subjected to the mallein test before being shipped, and certificates were produced stating that they were free from any disease, and came from a district where no disease was prevalent, but they were compelled to undergo a period of quarantine, and were again given the mallein test. A double dose of this test in a comparatively short space of time is rather a severe experience for horses, and Mr. Barlow's mares are now showing its effects. On the other hand, it must be admitted that the authorities must exercise precautions against the introduction of disease, and from their point of view it is better to err on the side of strictness rather than leniency.—Christchurch Press.

GALESBURG, ILLINOIS.

Aug. 17.—2:17 trot, $1,500:

Miss Perfection, br m by Gen Watts...(DeRyder) 1 1 ro
Baron Bates, br h by Baron Wilkes Jr (Chandler) 4 4 1
Anzanetta, br m by Louis Wilkes....(H. Thomas) 7 3 2
Slip Past, br m by E. M. R.....(Taylor) 8 2 4
Loving Heart, b h by Great Heart.....(Fullager) 2 8 5
Princess Margrave, ro m by Margrave....(Hall) 3 5 3
Sister Pugh, 5-6-6; Baroness Parmelia, 9-7-7; Star Tramp, 10-10-8; Aldino, 6-9-ds.
Time—2:12½, 2:11¾, 2:12.

2:20 pace, $1,500:

Baron Watts, b h by Gen. Watts.....(Anderson) 1 2 4
Jal Actor, b h by Actonward.....(Jones) 4 3 1
Madam Mac, br m by Expressive Mac(C.De Ryder)8 1 3
Bayde Densmore, ch m by Don Densmore.....(H. Thomas) 2 5 2
.....(Breitenfield) 3 4 6
Leo Teli, ch h by Leo Muscovite....(Breitenfield) 3 4 6
Good News, 5-6-5; Bob White, 6-7-7; Canute, 7-8-8; Grace Ongale, ds.
Time—2:08¼, 2:07¼, 2:09¼.

2:10 pace, $600:

Joe Murphy, br g by Chambertin.....(Dunn) 1 1 1
Society Leader, br h by Don Corbett.....(Smith) 3 2 2
Jal Ell Mac, b h by E. J.....(Taylor) 2 7 3
Lee Dale, b h by Archdale.....(Russell) 4 3 6
Hal Mapes, br g by Direct Hal.....(Loomis) 5 4 4
Symbol Meath, 6-6-5; Gamma May, 7-5-ds.
Time—2:06¼, 2:06½, 2:07½.

Two-year-old trot, $100:

Philip Axworthy, ch h by Simon Axworthy.....(Youngreen) 1 1
Red Simon, ch g by Simon Axworthy.....(Rodman) 3 2
Billy Merriman, b g by Merriman.....(Caine) 2 3
Mabel Merriman, ro f by Merriman C.....(Pointer) 4 4
Time—2:28¾, 2:30¾.

Aug. 18. (track poor)—2:14 trot, $600:

Henrietta, b m by Heliograph.....(Wilson) 2 1 1
Bertha Carey, b m by Zombro.....(DeRyder) 1 4 2
Blanche B., b m by Sampson Wilkie (Breitenfield) 4 2 3
Lady Richmond, b m by Edward M...(Johnson) 3 3 4
Rose D., ds.
Time—2:14¼, 2:13½, 2:14½.

2:07 pace, $1,500:

Our Colonel, b h by Col. Cochran.....(Jones) 2 1 5
Tommy D., b g by Tommy the Irish Boy(Glasscock)3 3 1
Fred Russell, b g by Little Frank.....(Henry) 1 4 8
Bessie Bee, b m by Star Onward...(Breitenfield) 5 2 2
College Gent, blk g by Kentucky Patterson.....(Barnes) 6 5 3
.....(McMillen) 4 7 6
Direct Gentry, br h by Directly.....(Loomis) 8 8 4
Auto Zombro, b h by Zombro.....
Time—2:05¾, 2:05¾, 2:07¾.

:20 trot, $600:

Caroline, b m by John Donovan.....(Jones) 4 7 1
The Proof, br h by The Exponent.....(DeRyder) 1 3 dr
Robert E., b g by Edward M.....(Johnson) 5 1 5
Red Silk, b g by Silkwood.....(Breitenfield) 2 4 2
Mainlac, b h by Redlac.....(Smith) 7 2 3
May Advice, b m by Straight Advice...(Mililman) 3 6 6
Ral Hall, b m by Walnut Hall.....(Goddard) 8 5 4
Rose Sullivan, 6-8-dr.; Hazel Princeton, ds.
Time—2:11, 2:13¼, 2:16¼.

Aug. 19.—2:24 trot, $1,500:

Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney..(W. DeRyder) 1 1 ro
Bessie Mc,bl m by McBeth.....(McQuaig) 7 2 1
Caroline, b m by John B. Donozan.....(Jones) 3 4 2
Roan Boy, ro h by Gov. Francis.....(King) 2 8 3
Brisac, blk h by Bingara.....(Benson) 4 3 5
Anzonetta, b m by Lewis Wilkes...(H. Thomas) 6 5 4
Erda, 8-6-6; Zoe Dillon, ds.
Time—2:10¾, 2:10¼, 2:10½.

2:13 pace, $1,500:

Lillian T., blk m by Roy Patchen.....(Wilson) 1 1 ro
Shipmaster, b g by Seneca Stewart...(Matthews) 3 4 1
Strathtell, b h by Motell.....(Barnes) 2 2 4
Imbro, br h by Zombro.....(Meeker)11 5 2
Fred Mack, br g.....(Glasscock) 7 3 10
Willis Woodland, b h by Woodland Boy..(Merrill) 7 7 3
The Counterpart, 6-6-5; Tom King, 5-9-7; Dad Mix, 19-8-6; Black Ball, 12-10-8; Elsie Janis, 9-11-9.
Time—2:07¼, 2:08½, 2:09¼.

Three-year-old trot, $600:

George N. Patterson, blk c by On Voyage.....(Rutherford) 1 1 2
Allie Watts, ch f by Gen. Watts.....(Edman) 2 2 1
Lady Anne, b f by San Francisco.....(Eagan) 3 3 3
Lowell Axworthy, The Substance, Isworthy McKinney and The Index also started.
Time—2:12¼, 2:13¾, 2:10¾.

Aug. 20.—2:11 trot, $1,500:

Princess Welcome, gr m by Lodaller(McLaughlin) 2 1 2
Evelyn D., ch m by Sidney Dillon.....(Hall) 4 2 1
Alice Arion, b m by Arion.....(McQuaig) 1 3 4
Madden, b h by Peter the Great.....(Green) 7 4 3
Lucy Patchen, b m by The Patchen Boy..(Taylor) 3 5 6
Bertha Carey, 9-6-5; The Comet, 8-8-8; Capt. Caccada, 5-9-7; Italian Aubrey, 6-7-ds.

2:16 pace, $600:

Lee Dale, b h by Archdale.....(Rpssell) 2 1 2
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium.....(DeRyder) 6 2 1
The Exchange, b h by John Kirby.....(Foote) 1 3 4
Good News, b g by New Richmond.....(Rash) 3 5 3
Jack Johnson, ch g by Charles McGregor(Johnson) 4 4 5
Bessie R., 7-6-6; Little George, 5-2-7; Purefast, ds.
Time—2:09¼, 2:10½, 2:09¼.

Three-year-old pace, $600:

Wanda, b f by Chambertin.....(S. Dunn) 2 1 1
Alix Merriman, br h by Merriman C..(Harrison) 1 2 3
Directum J., blk c by Chambertin.....(W. Dunn) 4 4 2
Eva Smoot, b f by Peter Clay.....(Frost) 8 3 4
Time—2:11¼, 2:12¾, 2:13½.

WALTER MOORE AT GALESBURG.

A number of excellent performances took place during the week, and the trotter that I most fancied was the black colt George N. Patterson, by On Voyage 2:25½, son of Bon Voyage 2:08, now in the stud at Frankfort, Ind., in charge of Col. James Hazelton. The Patterson colt met the crack filly Allie Watts, and when the decision was left to a brush in the stretch Patterson beat her home in both the first and second heats, then in the third he forced her out in 2:10¾, but already had first money won. He came over from California in the DeRyder car, and was sick for some time after his arrival in the east, but seems to be about right again. Before leaving Pleasanton, early in June, he worked a mile in 2:09¼, so that we may expect him to annex a pretty fast record before he ends his eastern campaign at Lexington. There are few colts that have the same line of breeding, as he runs in and out of the McKinney-Zolock family in every one of his first five crosses so completely it really requires a tabulation to show the peculiarity of his bloodlines. His dam, Yu Tu, is by R. Ambush 2:09¼, son of Zolock p. 2:05¼, by McKinney 2:11¼. His second dam is by Dick Turpin, by Inca Jr. 2:29, and the dam of Dick Turpin is Gypsey, the grandam of Zolock. His third dam is by McKinney 2:11¼, and she is also the grandam of R. Ambush. His fourth dam is by Inca 2:27 (sire of Inca Jr.), and she is the third dam of R. Ambush. The fifth dam is by Echo 2:23 and she is the fourth dam of R. Ambush.

If this colt was a young man, wouldn't he have a time of it finding out what relation some of his relatives were to him?

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Charley DeRyder was a mighty pleased man to find a new trotter right in his own barn, or to resurrect one out of his own stable. The new-old one is Zomblack (three-year-old trotting trial 2:08¾), that was started pacing two years ago, after his legs began to fail a little, the Zombro horse showing well outside of a little tendency to hit his knee. But care, time, or pacing, one of the three, caused his legs to grow practically sound again, and one day last week Charley came out with him and announced that this was the way to shoe a pacer that hit his knee, and with that announcement he started him up on a trot. He had not been allowed to trot any in two years previously, but an 8-oz. shoe and 2-oz. weight suited him exactly. It will be remembered that after he trotted in 2:08¾, as a three-year-old, he trained off; but was not hard to start back trotting again, and seemed perfectly natural and safe on his stride at the gait, and worked in company in 2:11¾. There are few better individuals than Zomblack, and should he acquire a fast record at the trot he will be a much desired stallion, as he is regarded as a perfectly mannered horse, either in or out of the stable.

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I am still undecided as to whether Joe Murphy p. 2:06¼, by Chambertin 2:14¼, the "Joe Lemon" character in my Christmas story of 1913, in which I charged him with being everything but a race-winning pacer, is not getting a little more than even with me. I have previously made humble apology to him for the unkind things I said of him, but had never seen him race until this week. Joe celebrated my appearance at Galesburg on Tuesday by whipping a good field of 2:10 pacers in 2:06¼, 2:06½ and 2:07½, while I sat here thinking of the $576.72 that he cost me to own him two years. But I have to hand it to him now—he is a good, game pacer, not an extremely fast sprinter, but one of those raters that hang on to the end of a mile like grim death, and not a bit particular if it be the sixth or seventh heat, either. Joe was driven an admirable race by Stanley Dunn, son of Walter Dunn, and in fact the Dunns, father and son, and the Chambertins, were very popular at Galesburg. In addition to Joe's bracket, Wanda won the three-year-old pace, with Directum J., another Chambertin colt, second the last heat, himself timed in 2:14¼.—Horse Review.

WILLIAM AS SEEN BY SCOTT HUDSON.

While all horsemen have for a long time had a most healthy respect for the champion colt pacer, William, it remained for Scott Hudson to be the first to predict his future assumption of the all age crown, the ruddy haired Southerner being outspoken in the extreme concerning his views of the Hoosier sidewheeler. After the famous meeting between the Marvin pupil and Directum I. a couple of weeks ago at North Randall, Hudson gave vent to the following when the race was being run over on the short track in the hotel lobby under the incandescents that night:

"William has a chance of going as fast in the open as Dan Patch went behind windshield. He is a marvel and I predicted that he would beat Directum I. after I saw him race at Detroit, and after I saw how well Marvin trained him at Grand Rapids last week and how well the horse finished a mile in 2:02, last quarter in 28½ seconds.

"Dan Patch went in 1:55 behind a wind shield, but William, in my opinion, will equal that mark without a wind shield. He is the greatest pacer in the world and when in condition can beat Directum I. any old time."

Salem's entry list looks like there would be some good sport at the Oregon State Fair. Too bad the free-for-all pace failed to fill.

Good Entry List at Oregon State Fair

Thanks to the aggressive campaign for entries waged by Secretary W. Al Jones, the fields at the Oregon State Fair this fall promise to be of fair size and excellent quality. Three of the early closers were well patronized on June first, while those classes closing on August 13 received from five to thirteen entries each. With the exceptions of the futurity events, the entries for the various classes are as follows:

Monday, September 27.

3:00 trot, purse $300, three heats: Honest Boy, H. S. Hogoboom; Edythe M., E. C. Keyt; Zombronum, Fred T. Merrill, Agent; Sea Waif, B. D. McManus; Nellie Mac, Geo. Swisher; Katherine West, C. H. Wheeler; Salem Boy, Mrs. Ione Mauzey. Seven entries.

2:10 pace, purse $700, three heats: Indian Hal, S. A. Agnew; Bonnie Antrim, J. H. Childers; Truxton King, W. C. Dooley; Delmas, A. A. Fidler; Allerdaw, Elmer Hogoboom; Harold Welcome, G. A. Lincoln; Red Hal, Fred T. Merrill, Agent; Oro Mo, C. F. Silva. Eight entries.

2:25 trot, purse $700, three heats: Bonnie Ansel, Alex Brown; Bon Diablo, S. M. Bush; Al McK., J. A. Bush; Going Some, Peter Coo; Peter R., W. C. Dooley; Mercury, R. Dixon; Virginia Barnette, W. G. Durfee & Co.; Jetlock, G. W. Gill; Floradora Z., P. J. McCormick; Salem Boy, Mrs. Ione Mauzey; Columbia T., C. F. Silva; Guy Light, W. F. Schultz; Hallie B., Mrs. L. W. Watts; Perrieo, Ziegler & Misner; B. & M., Mrs. Ione Mauzey; Claude Woodford, Thos. E. Battell. Fifteen entries.

One mile handicap dash, trot and pace, purse $500, to close September 14.

Tuesday, September 28.

2:15 trot, purse $700, three heats: Bonnie Ansel, Alex Brown; Sargo, Brooker & Blurock; General Brightheart, O. C. Koontz; Wild Girl, Mrs. Sadie Keyt; The Frisco, John Lance, Agent; Marguerite A., P. J. McCormick; Oakland Moore, G. K. Howitt; Eloise Dell, C. F. Silva; Prince Seattle, Fred Woodcock; St. Michaels, C. F. Wilson. Ten entries.

2:18 pace, purse $700, three heats: Hal Edo, W. S. Abbott; Halmetta, S. A. Agnew; Lena Patch, O. J. Brown; Hal Bear, Hall Bessellen; Lady Hal, H. C. Cox; Aurelia Lou, R. Dixon; Contention B., W. G. Durfee; St. Elmo, Chas. Gholson; Savage Right, T. R. Howit; Prince Zolock, H. H. Helman, Agent; Royal Express, Mary E. Kimball; Nigger Boy, John Lance, Agent; Sally H., F. V. McCarthy; Glad Wren, Alex Mitchell; Potrero Boy, C. F. Silva; Tillamook Maid, W. F. Schultz; Scarlet Trent, B. Thompson; Roxey Hal, John Hoffman. Eighteen entries.

Three-year-old trot, Oregon Futurity, purse $2000:

Wednesday, September 29.

Three-year-old pace, Oregon Futurity, purse $1,500.

2:30 trot, purse $500, three heats: Going Some, Peter Cook; Peter R., W. C. Dooley; The Bulletin, H. S. Hogoboom; Edythe M., E. C. Keyt; B. & M., Mrs. Ione Mauzey; Zombronum, Fred T. Merrill, Agent; Floradora Z., P. J. McCormick; Columbia T., C. F. Silva; Novela, J. B. Stetson; Katherine West, C. H. Wheeler; Perrieo, Ziegler & Misner. Eleven entries.

The Greater Oregon 2:08 pace, purse $2,000, three in five: Indian Hal, S. A. Agnew; King Zolock, R. T. Dickerson; William G., Wm. Duncan, Agent; Delmas, A. A. Fidler; Mack Fitzsimmons, B. F. Jaggar; Parkwood, Mrs. Mary E. Kimball; Nigger Boy, John Lance, Agent; Red Hal, Fred T. Merrill, Agent; Glen Rose, John Roberts; Potrero Boy, C. F. Silva; Scarlet Trent, B. Thompson; Haltamont, Clair Todd; Francis J., Mrs. J. C. Leggett, Agent. Thirteen entries.

Thursday, September 30.

2:20 pace, purse $700, three heats: Belle Smith, H. G. Cox; Marlin, H. S. Hogoboom; Frank Zolock, John Lance, Agent; Duke, B. D. McManus; Oro Mo, C. F. Silva; Helen Hal, A. G. Smith, Agent; Ruth Hal, Fred Woodcock; Jennie May, Ziegler & Misner. Eight entries.

The Lewis and Clark 2:12 trot, purse $2,000, three in five: Bonnie Ansel, Alex Brown; Sargo, Brooker & Blurock; Amy McKinney, A. A. Fidler; General Brightheart, O. C. Koontz; Wild Girl, Mrs. Sadie Keyt; Complete, A. G. Smith; Dan Mathews, B. Thompson; Hallie B., Mrs. L. W. Watts. Eight entries.

The State Fair 2:15 pace, purse $700, three heats: St. Elmo, Chas. Gholson; Hal Edo, W. S. Abbott; Indian Hal, S. A. Agnew; Grace M., Geo. L. Swisher, Agent; Scarlet Trent, B. Thompson. Five entries.

Friday, October 1.

Free-for-all pace, did not fill.

2:20 trot, purse $700, three heats: Mark H., Peter Cook; La Siesta, Clem Hart; The Frisco, John Lance, Agent; Sea Waif, B. D. McManus; Floradora Z., P. J. McCormick; Novela, J. B. Stetson, Agent; Eloise Dell, C. F. Silva; Prince Seattle, Fred Woodcock; Zomdell, W. S. Abbott. Nine entries.

3:00 trot or pace, did not fill.

Saturday, October 2.

2:12 pace, purse $700, three heats: Hal Edo, W. S. Abbott; Indian Hal, S. A. Agnew; Bonnie Antrim, J. H. Childers; Truxton King, W. C. Dooley; King Zolock, R. T. Dickerson; Prince Zolock, H. H. Helman; Parkwood, Mrs. Mary E. Kimball; William G., Wm. Duncan; Harold Welcome, G. A. Lincoln; Glen Rose, John Roberts. Ten entries.

2:09 trot, purse $700, three heats: Nuristo, Alex Brown; Bonnie Ansel, Alex Brown; Wild Girl, Mrs. Sadie Keyt; Kid Cupid, C. F. Silva; Dan Mathews, B. Thompson. Five entries.

2:25 pace, purse $500, three heats: Halmetta, S. A. Agnew; Lena Patch, O. J. Brown; Hal Bear, Hall Bessellen; High Ho, A. R. Cooper; Lady Hal, H. C. Cox; Aurelia Lou, R. Dixon; Contention B., W. G. Durfee & Co.; Tosora, C. A. Harrison; Savage Right, T. R. Howitt; Mack Fitzsimmons, B. F. Jaggar; Arlene K., E. C. Keyt; Royal Express, Mary E. Kimball; Nigger Boy, John Lance, Agent; Zom Norte, Mrs. Ione Mauzey; Sally H., F. V. McCarthy; Glad Wren, Alex Mitchell; Sonoma Maid, E. Steinman, Agent; Tempest, E. Steinman, Agent; Tillamook Maid, W. F. Schultz; Ruth Hal, Fred Woodcock, Agent; Courtney W., Thos. E. Battell. Twenty-one entries.

THE THOROUGHBRED MEETING.

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Ward and Milton Barber also ran. Time, 1:07 4-5.

Third race—Five furlongs, two-year-olds, purse $300: El Palomar Stable's ch f Aunt Sal by Salvation—Antioch, 109 lbs., (Bullman) won easing up; Lola, 109, second; Schulenburg, 109, third; Syphon Boy also ran. Time, 1:03.

Fourth race—One mile, selling, purse $300: Freeman & Co.'s b g El Pato (6) by Conjurer—Pearl Barnes, 106 lbs., (Gentry) won driving; Brando (6), 111, second; Ora McGee (6), 111, third; Stolen Ante, Gano, Eastman and Nannie McDee also ran. Time, 1:41 1-5.

Fifth race—One mile and a sixteenth, selling, purse $300: J. Cushin's ch g Delmas (aged) by Luke Ward—Colita, 103 lbs., (Gentry) won easily; Ceos (4), 109, second; Fairly (4), 108, third; Miss Tempo, Lady M. M., Wise Mason and Tahoe also ran. Time, 1:48 4-5.

Sixth race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $300: Moore & Son's ch g Robert Mantell (4) by Prince Esher—Mamie Lou, 106 lbs., (Ormes) won driving; Uncle Jimmy Gray (aged), 109, second; Charles Goetz (aged), 107, third; Jake Argent, Ida Pinack and Igloo also ran. Time, 1:08 1-5.

Eleventh Day—Thursday, September 2.

First race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $300: Jarrett & James' b f Marie O'Brien (3) by Caesarion—Sneedwell, 97 lbs., (Gentry) won driving; Tallow Dip (aged), 111, second; Kitty Stanfield (4), 108, third; Vesta, Lillian Ray, Teeto, Lone Star, Queen Bergy and Viva also ran. Time, 1:09 2-5.

Second race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $300: Lieut. Stevenson's b m Madelle (5) by Sir Huon—Victoria B., 115 lbs., (O'Brien) won easily; Dominica (aged), 115, second; Frazzle (6), 115, third; Alda, Ida and Lovins also ran. Time, 1:14 2-5.

Third race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $300: W. C. Weant's b g Stelcliff (6) by Clifford—Amstel, 111 lbs., (Taplin) won driving; Baby Lynch (3), 102, second; Jennie Crawford (5), 106, third; Roscas, Van Horn, Engraver, Tordillo, Zenotek and Orba Smile also ran. Time, 1:08.

Fourth race—Seven furlongs, selling, purse $300: Tigue & Bussey's Be (6) by Aeronaut—Millie A., 112 lbs., (O'Brien) won driving; Theodorita (4), 107, second; John Graham (aged), 121, third; Batchler and Executor also ran. Time, 1:27.

Fifth race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $300: J. Randolph's br g Leford (4) by Bonnie Joe—Lady Lee, 103 lbs., (Gentry) won driving; Mark Kennedy (aged), 110, second; Brighouse (4), 111, third; Diadi, Miss Genevieve, Barbarita, Arrowshaft and Helen Hawkins also ran. Time, 1:08 1-5.

Sixth race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $300: L. B. Wood's b g Sweetbait (4) by Fisher Boy—Cupboard Love, 115 lbs., (Taplin) won driving; Hardy (6), 110, second; Commendation (aged), 110, third; Tight Boy, Light Knight, The Feller, Master Franklin and Auto Maid also ran. Time, 1:15 2-5.

Jockey William O'Brien, who ranked fourth among the winning riders of the country last season, came in last Friday from New York and hung out his shingle as a free lance. Business came his way with a rush, as he had a winning mount that afternoon and has furnished his share of the competition daily since then. One thing that encourages O'Brien's followers is that they always get a ride.

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His Excellency Governor Johnson was among the guests of the association Saturday, and after a pleasant visit with the judges, stewards, and in the club house accepted an honorary membership in the G. G. T. B. A. Evidently he didn't see anything highly shocking to his pronounced progressive and reform sensibilities.

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J. A. Schas, secretary of the Reno Jockey Club, was here for several days of late and announced that Reno had practically decided to give thirteen days of racing at the conclusion of the local meeting. They have that many days of grace on the original allotment and the first meeting was so successful that there is a general demand for the full allowance to be raced out.

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President Clark's El Palomar Stable "got going" Wednesday when the two-year-old filly Aunt Sal carried the copper and pink to the front for the first time during the meeting. Johnny Bullman took the daughter of Salvation out in front to play with the field, winning in hollow style. The San Mateo sportsman now has a long supply on two-year-old material, as after Rose Marian's second victory over Frisky, the classy daughter of General Roberts—Rose Cherry immediately changed boarding houses. El Palomar Stable's accommodations were increased one "room" for the new arrival, and while George Van Gorden's popular hostelry was minus its best paying guest, George's bankroll had assumed more plethoric proportions to the extent of some three thousand dollars.

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Scarlet Oaks showed good qualities last Saturday in the five and a half furlongs by winning in a nice drive in the stretch from a position fairly well back at the paddock. She was the first winner for the Nevada Stock Farm at the meeting.

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Thistle Belle, who has made it three in a row since the meeting started, is one of those birds that cause the starter to bend a pitying gaze on anyone who tells him it is wrong to swear. The brown mare is a wolf at the post and can deal a bunch of riders and the starting crew more misery than is handed out by that well known San Franciscan, Mr. Sand Flea, when he gets to going good in a picture show house. She either beats the barrier or gets away not at all, and so far here she has succeeded in breaking very advantageously after raising her full quota of preliminary cain. She is sure one disturbing element.

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Many of the big crowd of opening day who were disappointed over the failure of Celesta to appear will have an opportunity to see the great girl today in the President's Cup, as Trainer George Strate has announced his intention of starting her. She carries twenty-four pounds more than Loftus, the top weighter of the balance of the field, but will go to the post favorite at that, as she is the real race horse of the entire lot stabled at the exposition. She holds the world's record of 1:42 3-5 over a mile and a sixteenth, and on Wednesday morning carried a heavy boy over the nine furlong route here in 1:57 2-5.

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A friendly feud between two of the top boys added a bit of interest to the general run of things Thursday. At the conclusion of the fourth race Olin Gentry protested O'Brien's ride on Be, but after considerable "auguring" the judges failed to sustain it. Both boys had a mount in the next race, Gentry on Leford and O'Brien on Mark Kennedy, and the way they scrapped it out was worth seeing, the handy little apprentice getting his "evens" by showing his more experienced rival the way the track ran in a hard, close drive.

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The unwonted commotion at the club house after the second race Thursday caused bystanders to fear that some fair devotee of the thoroughbred had fallen off the roof in an outburst of enthusiasm, but the wild excitement was merely the "army crowd" pulling for Madelle, who, under O'Brien's skillful handling, had won a nice race for Lieutenant Stevenson. The army folks are good "rooters"—no foolin'!

GETAWAY DAY AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, August 27.—That much delayed second heat of the special match race between William and Directum I. was raced today as the feature of the final program at Dorval Park and resulted in a victory for the Indiana king-pin and a new race record for Canada, the mile being negotiated in the good time of 2:00¼. The track was very much more to the liking of Directum I. than it was when the first heat was raced earlier in the week, but William was in shape to beat him on any kind of footing.

Peter Scott took his second stake in handy fashion and very moderate time, Worthy Prince, his nearest competitor, not being able to make him step faster than 2:09¼. St. Frisco and Laramie Lad split up the heats in the 2:11 trot but Marse Ed's four-year-old son of San Francisco was too good for the Colorado trotter, and after they had gone three heats slower than 2:10 put a clincher on the event with a mile in 2:08.

Lizzie Brown, Dago and Dick Watts paraded in the order named in three featureless heats, and Dick McMahon tincupped a Peter the Great filly, The Great Miss Russell, in 2:24¼. The summary:

Montreal, Aug. 27.—Special pace, purse $5,000 (one heat in 2:04 won by William on Aug. 24):

William, b h by Abe J.....(Marvin)		1
Directum I., ch h by Directum Kelly.....(Murphy)		2

Time—2:00¼.

Dominion of Canada, 2:12 trot, purse $3,000:

Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great....(Murphy)	1	1	1
Worthy Prince, b h by Prince McKinney....(Cox)	2	2	2
McCloskey, br g by Theodosius.....(McDonald)	3	3	4

Victor Star, Todd Temple, The Guide, Baron Aberdeen and Decision also started.

Time—2:10¾, 2:10¾, 2:09¼.

2:11 trot, purse $1,000:

St. Frisco, b h by San Francisco.....(Geers)	1	2	1
Laramie Lad, b g by Master Bo..(McDonald)	4	1	2
Lulu Lumine, b m by Orator.....(Murphy)	3	3	3

Reusens and Grand Marshall also started.

Time—2:10½, 2:10¼, 2:10½, 2:08.

2:09 trot, purse $1,000:

Lizzie Brown, b m by The Bondsman (Valentine)	1	1	1
Dago, b g by General Forest.....(Grady)	2	2	2
Dick Watts, b h by General Watts.....(Rodney)	3	3	3

Duchess and Bonington also started.

Time—2:10¾, 2:08½, 2:09¾.

HEAVY GOING AT EMPIRE CITY PARK.

New York, Aug. 31.—Rail lines between this city and Montreal provide rapid transit and most excellent shipping facilities for horses and men but they cannot compete with the aerial express patronized by the weather man. The Grand Circuit campaigners left Montreal Saturday on specials that landed them at the Empire City Park in short order, only to find that his nibs had gotten in ahead of them with J. Pluvius. The old horse shipped well but fell to staves shortly after his arrival, with the result that this locality received a thorough drenching. However, a big race meeting without rain wouldn't seem just right this season east of the Mississippi, so the horsemen present feel right at home.

Walter Cox, the elongated Yank, and his pupils took to the heavy going just as though they had ordered it especially for their particular benefit, the stable grabbing two firsts and one second out of the day's offering of three events.

On the other hand, the tiring footing contributed to the defeat of the hitherto invincible youngster in the Pastime Stable, Lee Axworthy. After his former defeats of both the Murphy topliners he was looked upon as a sure thing for the Greater New York 2:08 trot, but the Axworthy lad is not a mudlark and was content to trot to third place in the summary to Peter Scott and Worthy Prince, the Scott horse seeming to be satisfied with any sort of a course.

Cox and Queen Abbess had a merry duel with Murphy and Hal S. in the 2:15 pace, the roan gelding lining out the first two miles below 2:10 with the brown mare at his heels. Then Cox took out for three in a row, with Murphy's pacer a good contender for two heats but giving way to Peter S. in the final.

Longshot had a closer call in the 2:17 trot with Jeanette Speed, with the time ranging from 2:14¾ to 2:18, four heat winners developing. Bettini took the first and then retired to the rear guard; Idora Worthy annexing the second and also giving ear to the retreat call. Red Gift added variety by taking the third, whereupon Jeanette declared herself and took the next two, with the Grattan Boy lass contending strongly and Idora Worthy seeking the restful seclusion of her "boudoir" after the fourth heat.

Directum I. was scheduled to start against his record today but as any sore of a mile was an utter impossibility the flight against the watch was postponed until later in the week. In accordance with the anti-gambling laws, there was no open betting. The summary:

New York, August 31.—The Greater New York 2:08 trot, purse $5,000:

Peter Scott, br h by Peter the Great...(Murphy)	1	1	1
Worthy Prince, b g by Prince McKinney..(Cox)	3	2	2
Lee Axworthy, b h by Guy Axworthy.(Andrews)	2	3	3

Bonington, Reusens, Duchess also started.

Time—2:09¾, 2:10, 2:09¾.

2:15 pace, purse $1,000:

Queen Abbess, br m by The Abbe.....(Cox)	2	2	1	1	1
Hal S., ro g by Hal Chaffin.....(Murphy)	1	1	2	2	3
Peter S., b g by Como.....(Grady)	3	3	3	3	2

Patrick M. also started.

Time—2:08½, 2:09¾, 2:10¼, 2:13½, 2:15¼.

2:17 trot, purse $1,000:

Jeanette Speed, bl m by Peter the Great .....(Cox)	5	2	5	1	1
Red Gift, b m by Grattan Boy..(Dickerson)	4	3	1	2	2
Bettini, b m by Bingara.....(Lemkin)	1	6	6	5	4

Brook King, Great Bells and Idora Worthy also started.

Time—2:16½, 2:14¾, 2:16¼, 2:17, 2:18.

Second Day at Empire City.

New York, Sept. 1.—Another day of racing on very heavy footing was responsible for several instances of reversal of form today, as some of the most highly regarded starters in the three events raced could not perform well and the summaries were topped by horses who have the ability to handle mud, though the going was heavy, rather than dangerous.

The feature of the afternoon was the Stallion Stake for three-year-old trotters, with half a dozen starters. Deroche, in the Geers stable, and Rusticoat should have been among the leading contenders but failed to figure to any great extent, Rusticoat getting the flag in the first heat. Deroche trotted second to Henry Todd for one mile and then gave way to The Colorado Belle. The winner was bred, owned and driven by the Massachusetts sportsman, C. W. Lasell.

Loe Blossom, who appeared to fancy soggy dirt by winning last week at Montreal, went two good heats in 2:09¼ and 2:08½ in the 2:13 trot, but blew up in the third, making two breaks and finishing behind the banner. Pop Geers and The Guide took the third heat, and then along came Alonzo McDonald with Laramie Lad, who had been trotting consistently right after the early winners, and annexed the next two and the race. Nathan Axworthy, who hung up a world's record a few days ago at Goshen and who would have carried a lot of money had there been open betting, grew so weary in the sticky stuff that in the fourth heat he got the flag, though he showed his natural qualities by "dying on a trot."

Thanks to the fact that Yedno is not a mudlark, McDonald won his second race of the day, the 2:07 pace, with Rastus. The Canadian mare went two winning heats in good time with Rastus driving her out, but from then on it was Rastus all the way, with Frank Patch the best contender. The summary:

New York, Sept. 1.—Stallion Stake, three-year-old trotters, value $10,435:

Henry Todd, b g by Henry Setzer.....(Lasell)	1	1	
The Colorado Belle, b f by Colorado E.....(Serrill)	3	2	
Deroche, ch c by John A. McKerron.....(Geers)	2	4	

Onward Forbes, Native Spirit, Rusticoat, also started.

Time—2:11¾, 2:12½.

The Manhattan, 2:13 trot, purse $2,000:

Laramie Lad, b g by Master Bo.(McDonald)	3	2	2	1	1
The Guide, b h by Peter the Great..(Geers)	6	3	1	3	2
Miss Directed, b m by Direct Well(McDevitt)	7	4	3	2	3

Nathan Axworthy, Loe Blossom, Todd Temple, Kitty L., Bettini and Sadie S. also started.

Time—2:09¼, 2:08½, 2:09¾, 2:11, 2:11½.

2:07 pace, purse $1,000:

Rastus, b g by Liberty Boy....(McDonald)	2	2	1	1	1
Yedno, br m by Bob Fitzsimmons (Fogarty)	1	1	3	3	3
Frank Patch, b h by The Patchen Boy(Cox)	3	4	2	2	4

Peter Farren and Bingen Pointer also started.

Time—2:07, 2:07¼, 2:07½, 2:11½, 2:11¼.

Third Day at Empire City.

New York, Sept. 2.—While Directum I. failed to equal his previous record of 1:58 here today or even to pace a mile dangerously close to the two-minute mark, horsemen who know him well are inclined to consider his performance in 2:02¼ one of his most excellent ones. Repeated experiences have shown that the little red fellow has no liking for any other than footing of the very best, and the going here today was poor, loose and cuppy, most of the wise birds setting 2:04 as the probable limit for the speedy pacer. Without a windshield, he turned the quarters in :32, :30¼, :31 and :29.

The three-year-old pacing division of the stallion stake had only two starters but was a merry contest between Miss Harris M., and Sad Thoughts, the former winning the second and third heats in 2:07¼ and 2:10 after the Bingen filly had taken the first in slower time. The other events were won in straight heats and moderate time, Lustrous McKinney taking the 2:11 pace and Audrey Grey heading the list of 2ff:20 trotters. The summary:

New York, Sept. 2—Stallion Stake, three-year-old pacers, value $2,205:

Miss Harris M., b f by Peter the Great(McDonald)	2	1	1
Sad Thoughts, b f by Bingen.....(Cox)	1	2	2

Time—2:12¼, 2:07¼, 2:10.

2:11 pace, purse $1,000:

Lustrous McKinney, b g by McKinney..(Rodney)	1	1	1

ean, b m by Flosko.....(Murphy) 3 2 2
udd Elliott, br g by Prodigal.....(Geers) 2 3 3
Major Byers also started.
Time—2:12¼, 2:08, 2:07¼.

2:20 trot, purse $1,000:
udrey Grey, b m by Moko.....(Cox) 1 1 1
odd McGregor, ch h by Cochato.....(Rodney) 2 2 5
lary Guy, ch m by Guy Axworthy.....(Murphy) 8 4 2
Jess Y., Dame Danvers, Prinelda, Helen Constantine, Alerta and Notice B. also started.
Time—2:13¼, 2:12½, 2:14¼.

THE "LADY ST. CLAIR" CASE.

On July 14, 1915, a young man named Albert Delay of Waterbury, Conn., appeared at Youngstown, Ohio, and started a bay mare named Lady St. Clair in the 2:25 pace. Very litle attention was paid to her. In the first heat of that event she finished ninth and in the next heat fourth. In the third heat she was first to the wire but was set back to last place for a foul. Delay then went to the front and won. After his first winning heat, he also waved his hat at the judges for which they in due time made apologize.

From Youngstown Lady St. Clair was shipped to Conneaut Lake, Pa., where she won again and from there to Bradford where she was defeated. Her next appearance was at Belle Vernon, Pa. When she came out to start there W. H. Gocher, Secretary of the National Trotting Association, was at the track with Clarence Cole of Indianapolis. The latter identified Lady St. Clair as Edna L., a six-year-old bay mare by Major Guethlein, dam The Witch by Alcantara, that made a record of 2:09¼ in 1914 when she was raced by Frank Tinkler of Martinsville, Ind. When Delay was called to the judges' stand he stated that there must be a mistake about it as he purchased Lady St. Clair from John Shortt, the proprietor of a butcher shop on Main street, Waterbury, Conn.; that Shortt raised her and that she was sired by a horse named George St. Clair out of the dam of the Roan Wilkes mare, May Day 2:14¼. The mare was allowed to start under protest in the 2:25 stake and after a six heat contest won the event. Her next appearance was at Kamms, Ohio, where she was distanced in the first heat and the judges promptly suspended Delay and the mare for not making an effort to win.

When John Shortt of Waterbury was interviewed by the Secretary of the National Trotting Association he said that he had sold Lady St. Clair to Albert Delay and described the mare racing under that name so accurately that it looked suspicious. On further inquiry it was also learned that the horse which Shortt bred by George St. Clair out of the dam of May Day was five instead of six years old, while a number of Waterbury horsemen alleged that instead of being a mare it was a gelding.

After the Rockport race, Delay shipped Lady St. Clair to Hartford where on Monday, August 23, she was again identified as Edna L. 2:09¼ by Irvin Paul, a young man from Martinsville, Ind., who was present when Frank Tinkler sold her. Also on the afternoon of the same day Paul met Albert Delay and William E. Russell of Waterbury, Conn., the two owners of the mare raced as Lady St. Clair, and identified them as the men who purchased Edna L. at Martinsville, Ind., and to whom he delivered her at Indianapolis, Ind., on January 2, 1915. Albert Delay denied that he had ever seen Irvin Paul, but after thinking it over two or three days, William E. Russell called at the office of the National Trotting Association and admitted that Paul was right and that he and his partner had purchased Edna L. with the object of ringing her and did ring her, and after a spectacular career of six weeks both of them are financially embarrassed and all that they have left as a turf asset is a little hoppled pacer with her equipment, while that asset is not at present available for racing purposes, as she was suspended for fraud at Rockport, Ohio, and will no doubt in due time be penalized for being used as a ringer.

The mare Edna L., alias Lady St. Clair, is a little bay mare weighing about eight hundred pounds. She has a small white spot on her forehead and a little white mark on the heel of her right hind foot, while she has also a curb on each hock.

ANCIENT HORSESHOES.

Some four thousand years ago horses were shod with some pliable material, and even, we are informed, as late as the seventeenth century the same custom was adopted. Nailing the shoe to the horse's hoof is a modern invention.

Xenophon states that he captured many animals shod with fibre and spartium, and Aristotle wrote that "horses were shod with fibre or spartium." Pliny the Elder, 23 A. D., gives an account of "mules and asses being shod with spartium and oftentimes reinforced with rawhide." Pollux mentions "horses shod with fibre or leather."

The Arabs use various materials such as rawhide, willow twigs and bamboo. The Chinese and Japanese use shoes made of bamboo or rice straw. The Iceland peasant shoes his pony with sheep's horn. Horses in Soudan wear socks of camel skin.—Our Dumb Animals.

Charley DeRyder switched Zomblack back to the trot recently and was third to Princess Welcome and Italian Aubrey at Dubuque in 2:10¾. His legs are good and he threatens to make a race horse in spite of all the hard luck he has had to buck.

NOTES and NEWS

Bondalean (3) 2:08.
In a Sunday matinee.
With an amateur driver.
Also on an amateur track.
Looks like the real goods as a three-year-old pacer.

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The Great Westerners are making mighty good time, both trotting and pacing.

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Don't overlook the Phoenix program that appears elsewhere in this issue—ten classes for a thousand dollars each.

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Dicto now carries a mark of 2:09¼, made in the third heat of a race at Galesburg in which he won second money.

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William Higginbottom of this city, who is equally at home starting horses or selling them, gave the word at the Santa Rosa matinee last Saturday.

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By pacing in 2:00¼ at Montreal in his last meeting with Directum I., William hung up a new race record for Canadian tracks. The victory also put him two up on the little red horse.

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The Dubuque track at old Nutwood Park got two nice new records last week, Little Prince setting the pacing mark at 2:05¼ and Spriggan hanging up 2:08¼ for the trotters to shoot at.

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Lee Axworthy doesn't seem to hanker any more for "holding" dirt than does Directum I., the Andrews colt being easily beaten over the heavy course at Empire City by two horses that he has handled with ease on a track to his liking.

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Governor Mason, the Kansas bred trotter that Charley DeRyder recently purchased "down east," justified his new owner's faith in him by winning the 2:10 trot Thursday at the Great Western Circuit meeting at Des Moines.

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Alonzo McDonald put over two winners in the heavy going at New York Wednesday, Laramie Lad in the 2:13 trot and Rastus in the 2:07 pace. In both events his entries won in the latter portion of five heat races, outlasting the early winners.

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Directum I. had hard luck at Empire City Park in his trial for a new record, as he hit exactly the kind of footing he has never been successful in handling. However, he unbelted a mile in 2:02¼, which is faster than was expected under the circumstances.

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Henry Helman and Prince Zolock were a whole team in the 2:15 pace at Centralia-Chehalis last week, taking the second and third heats in 2:10½ and 2:15 after forcing Scarlet Trent to step the first one in 2:09¼ to win. The former track record of 2:11¼ was well jolted both in this race and the free-for-all.

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The first of the major stakes for three-year-old trotters, the Stallion Stake, valued at $10,435, was won Wednesday at Empire City Park by Henry Todd, the son of Henry Setzer bred, owned, trained and raced by Chester W. Lasell. The contest was good but the time slow, owing to recent rain. Rusticoat caught the flag in the first heat.

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J. A. McKerron, at the old familiar place at 122 McAllister street, still has a good many highly useful articles of horse gear in the shelves and show cases, and horsemen in search of bargains will do well to drop in and take a look around. The prices are cut to your own figures and the store will not be open much longer.

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Miss Harris M., the nice three-year-old Peter the Great filly that Alonzo McDonald had with him on his western trip this season, now carries a winrace record of 2:07¼, having taken the big end of the pacing division of the stallion stake at Empire City Park Thursday. The track was loose and cuppy, so all the more honor to her.

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We have an inquiry at this office for the names of parties in position to furnish horses in good sized bands for export to Europe. If any of our readers are interested in such a proposition we will, upon advice from them, take pleasure in putting them in communication with our correspondents, who are fully responsible.

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Donald McRea, sheriff of Snohomish county, Wash., with headquarters at Everett, is the owner of the fast trotting mare Vallejo Girl 2:10¼, by McKinney, dam by McDonald Chief, and is dam of six, including the great sire Tom Smith 2:13. Her second dam is by Ethan Allen Jr., third dam Thoroughbred. She has been bred to Count Boni (2) 2:27½, owned by Mr. Jennings at Marysville, Wash., Mr. McRea's home town, and Mr. McRea believes he has bred to as good a chance for speed, especially for trotting, as he could find in the Northwest.—Rural Spirit.

Millard Sanders, who was among those present Sunday at Santa Rosa, is endeavoring to "stir up a meeting" at that point in the interim between Salem and San Francisco. There would be plenty of horses available to have a good meeting and it would undoubtedly be welcomed by the Sonoma county folks.

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Future Tramp, the four-year-old gelding by Trampfast which C. A. Durfee is working at Pleasanton for Tim Sexton, trotted the McKenzie track last week in 2:16¼, going the last half in 1:01¼, leading Charley and Tim to think they have a real trot horse, an opinion shared by a number of others who saw the mile.

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As was to be expected, when William's change of ownership was announced, the famous sidewheeler goes shortly into the hands of Doc Tanner. "The boys" in general hate to see Marvin lose him, and the impression is that Doc will do no more with the horse than Billy would have done—perhaps not so much.

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The Proof made good on certain recent predictions concerning him by winning the 2:20 trot at Dubuque last Friday from Direct Patch, Red Silk, Main Lac and a number of other starters, the best time being 2:12¼. Our notion is that the lad can and will win where the time is faster than this before the season closes.

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It hardly seems necessary to state it in print, but the meeting at Empire City Park had rain to contend with just the same as every other big line meeting recently. After waiting five years for a return of the Grand Circuiters it seems tough on the New Yorkers to have to buck the weather man. Doubtless it is a bit wearing on the nerves of the horsemen as well.

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Loren Daniels and the Silva horses made their first starts since July 5 at the Southwest Washington Fair last week, Columbia T. trotting 6-4-4 in her event, Eloise Dell 3-2-4 in the 2:20 trot, and Teddy Bear 2-1-1 in the free-for-all pace, the fastest heat of which was in 2:09½. Oro Mo, we regret to announce, has developed trouble which in all probability will prevent him from racing again this summer.

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E. R. Dunn has recently turned over to Sutherland & Chadbourne for future development the two Cochato two-year-olds that he has been handling personally at San Jose. The pacer has not yet "come back" fully following his castration, but the trotting filly is as sweet as can be, having worked not long since in 2:17¾. She has turned the middle distance in 1:06 and a quarter in :31, so she ought to figure in the junior divisions of the stakes this fall.

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Albaloma and Baby Doll, in their retreat from the firing line on the Grand Circuit, arrived at Alameda late last week in charge of Johnny Hunt. Seems a bit like they came home a little early, as they are both in nice shape and some of the fast birds that "hung it on 'em" are beginning to go bad and slow up. Johnny, looking pretty fit himself, spent a few days ground racing with local friends before returning east, where he will probably tie up for the winter with some good stable.

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Don Densmore, Little Prince, Columbia Fire and Shamboy tangled up Tuesday at Des Moines in the free-for-all pace, the Don finally emerging victor with a championship record dangling from his belt. According to the A. P. reports the average time for the five heats was 2:07¾, which would make the total of 10:38¾ one second faster than the total time of Ella Ambulator's five-heater two years ago at Allentown. Last year Densmore was sick and after his last start at Phoenix, in which he piled up in front of the grandstand, he didn't look very promising as a candidate for future championship honors.

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Several new faces have appeared among the trainers at the Indianapolis track in the past couple of weeks, and the big training camp is a very busy place. One of the most recent arrivals is the Grand Circuit trainer, John Dickerson, who moved in with the Dickerman horses a few days ago. Dickerson turned the little chestnut trotter, Bonington 2:04¾, over to "Pop" Geers, bringing six head here, and will start some of these at the fair which takes place next month. Dickerson is very sweet on the trotting filly, Atlantica, that he is getting ready for the two-year-old events. This filly is by Atlantic Express 2:08¼, and out of the dam of Margaret Druien 2:04¼, breeding which should not interfere with her trotting fast. John states that she was a regular trotting "bear" early in the season, but some time ago she took sick and got a big setback. She is getting back to form fast now and it is the intention of Dickerson to start her at the Syracuse meeting in September. She has been a mile in 2:16 and John believes that she will trot in 2:10 before the season comes to a close. The three-year-old filly, Barbara King, by King Bellini and out of Helen Simmons, is a classy acting youngster and can trot fast. This filly, together with Harlem Express (2) 2:22, by Atlantic Express and Harvette, a daughter of The Harvester 2:01, are eligibles to The Western Horseman Stake to be decided at the Indiana State Fair, and in this trio the York State teamster has three likely acting youngsters. All have been miles around 2:16.—Western Horseman.

VOLUNTEER VIEWS THE HEADLINERS.

In writing of William last season I said that, phenomenon though he was, he needed full maturity to show his full capacity—that with the strength it should bring him behind his stroke and speed, he should eclipse all past pacing records. It was my reasoning that if he had done what he had then, in his then form, with the bone and sinew, the thews and muscles, of greater age and development, he would be irresistible.

I saw William for the first time this season—indeed, for the only one thus far, as I have not attended any of the subsequent Grand Circuit meetings, nor was it possible for me to see the great matches—during the inaugural of the "Big Ring" at Randall the week of July 20. I had learned the previous day when he was to receive his final work for his next week's race at Detroit, so I was on the firing line bright and early that morning, as I did not want to miss a move he made. When Marvin brought him out on the track for his first pipe-opener, I became excited immediately. So far as I recollect, I have no memory of any other champion race horse that had made such immense physical improvement from one season to the next. The William of 1914 had been a leggy, lathy, slim, almost angular colt, light-fleshed and with small suggestion of "substance." I now saw a truly magnificent stallion, a "living picture" of grandly developed masculinity. How he had broadened and strengthened and filled out and let down at every point! All appearance of lightness or lack of power had disappeared; instead he looked able to go either through or over a stone wall if one happened to cross his path. With it all, William had also taken on an added appearance of high breeding. His higher flesh and greater strength, instead of coarsening him, as is often the case with a stallion, had made him infinitely handsomer, of more aristocratic stamp and commanding carriage.

Altogether, he "took my breath away," as the saying goes; and after I had gladdened my eyes by feasting them upon him for a few moments, I turned to my confrere, "Marque," who stood near-by, and remarked to him: "There is a horse that LOOKS as if he could beat the world!" I print the word "looks" in capital letters because I emphasized it about that way, in order to express what I felt.

But—William's work that morning did not please the critics. He had previously worked the Randall track in 2:01¾, and it was the expectation that Marvin would set him down for a mile right at 2:00. However, as my watch caught them, his two fastest ones were in 2:02 4-5 and 2:03. There were no sensational bursts of speed, and the son of Abe J. seemed to slow down nearing the wire each time. To my eye Marvin was just riding along, not asking William for anything at any time; certainly not "stepping" him in any spot of place. But after the last mile the experts, almost to a man, gave it as their opinion that Directum I. would beat him at Detroit.

This opinion was intensified the second morning thereafter, when Murphy worked the son of Directum Kelly. The little chestnut stallion stepped two miles in 2:01 and 2:01¼ during the morning, with quarters around 28 and 28½ seconds at the end of each. I watched him from the upper deck of the timers' stand, and in one of those miles I thought once that for a piece of the way—from about the seven-eighths to the short distance—he was moving at a higher rate of speed than I had ever before seen a harness horse attain. His rush was terrific, the rapid fire of his hoof-beats being like the triple-roll on a snare-drum. In this respect Directum I. resembles his sire, Directum Kelly (4) 2:08¼, for he could, when at his best, cut loose and do an eighth or a sixteenth of a mile at almost a running-horse clip, giving the onlooker the impression of real "whirlwind speed." This work of Directum I.'s had an electrical effect, and the experts handed out the opinion: "Directum will win at Detroit, and win easily. He will pace right around William in the home stretch and beat him as he likes."

Personally, I did not feel so sure of this. And, as we all know, it took, so to speak, the "life" of Directum to beat William there the first heat in 2:00¼, the effort he made being so exhausting that it caused him to "cord" and in the next two heats he was the easy prey of his rival.

My impression of Directum I. at Randall was that he was a trifle light-bodied—a bit more so than I just liked to see. He is, of course, a small horse, and when drawn to fine edge, looks lighter-bodied than he really is. Still, he seemed, as I have said, a trifle lighter than he should, particularly considering the fact that he had not as yet faced the starter this season. I mentioned this to several horsemen who were watching him work with me, and they inclined to the opinion that he merely looked light in comparison with William—that he was "trained to the hour," whereas William was not, and that was one big reason why he would win at Detroit and William lose.

Certainly these two wonderful horses are the antipodes of each other. In conformation, size, style and stroke they have almost nothing in common except that both are pacers. Whenever they meet I am always in more or less of a "state of mind," for I cherish the deepest admiration for each, and hate to see either beaten! What marvels they are! Directum I. has beaten William in 1:58 and 2:00! William has beaten Directum I. in 1:58½ and 2:00! I consider that second match between them at Grand Rapids late last fall of little account as affording a basis for judgment of their respective capacities, for William had had no proper opportunity to prepare for it. In the previous race at the same place, a month earlier, he had beaten Directum I. impressively—but the Directum party claimed it was really the track that beat their horse. Well,—there's an old saying that you shouldn't have to carry a track around with a champion. But we may say that the two horses have met twice over tracks that were very hard and smooth and just to Directum's liking—at Columbus last year and at Randall last week. Directum won at Columbus and William won at Randall. But, in analyzing these races, it is to be said that William won his race much easier than Directum did his. And it is also to be said that Directum has not yet shown himself able to do what William has more than once—go out in front, make his pace all the way in each heat, and win. What the future will develop in the way of results enabling a definite judgment between the two remains to be seen—but at present William has all the better of the argument, and as he is by three years the younger of the pair, it is not unreasonable to believe that he will train on to performances surpassing all past ones; while, should Directum I. do so, it will be something of a surprise. In the nature of things, considering his age and all that he has done, he would seem more apt to do the reverse. Still, from such a horse the most amazing things are at any time liable to be forthcoming.

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In the case of the pacing match, the "good big one" beat the "good little one," as, according to the old thoroughbred racing saw, he should have; but in the trotting match the exact opposite proved true, for here the "good little one" beat the "good big one." Peter Volo towers above Lee Axworthy just about as high as William does above Directum I., and proportionately he appears even more deep-girthed, muscular and powerful. This again illustrates the negligible value of racing axioms. When they "work" they are impeccable, of course—but there are so many instances in which they won't or don't work!

"One swallow does not make summer"—and, since the race, several horsemen have said to me, in discussing it, that they would not be at all surprised were the verdict reversed the next time the two colts meet. Yet it is difficult for such an opinion to be arrived at on the basis of the Randall result, for, assuredly, Lee Axworthy in it defeated Peter Volo most decisively. In the first heat he took him to the limit of his tether, and in the next two had him beaten before the ends of the miles were reached. There is only one thing to be said as an offset—namely, that Lee Axworthy had previously raced twice this season, whereas Peter Volo had not faced the starter, and that the former was ripe for the "race of his life," while the latter was not. In addition, Volo also covered quite a few mares in the spring, whereas, if I am properly informed Lee Axworthy did no service whatever.

In this connection I am reminded of the fact that back in the spring, when it was announced that Peter Volo, also Etawah, were to make stud seasons of something like fifteen to twenty mares each, I expressed the opinion that this feature was not one calculated to improve their outlook as performers—it being my conviction that "burning the candle at both ends" was costly. For my remarks I received at the time considerable criticism, some of it quite pointed, and various instances were cited of stallions that had made stud seasons in the spring and then broken records later that season. Such instances, though, can not shake my convictions for, in their cases, I believe that had all the powers of these stallions been conserved for the turf, instead of having been in part utilized at the stud, they would have made still greater records than they did. Still, so far as Peter Volo was concerned, I felt that perhaps less liberty was being taken with him than usual, on account of his being so robust and rugged; with, apparently, the constitution of a bear and almost unlimited physical ability. But after being driven out in 2:02 in the opener, he was unable to sustain the pace (29¾ seconds) set by Lee Axworthy in the first quarter of the second heat, and his break there was equivalent to his defeat, for that heat at least; while in the final, when it came to the decisive test at the head of the home stretch, he did not break, but he faltered, and it was "all over."

Previous to the race it was almost a superstition with horsemen that Peter Volo was unbeatable. At best they would concede Etawah to be the only living trotter with a chance to beat him, and that not now, Etawah being as yet far from ready for a race. But if one reviews turf history one will find, amid hundreds of thousands of race horses, that the number of "the unbeaten" can be counted on one's fingers, also that more than one of these few exceptions was favored by fortune, campaigned but to a limited extent, or something similar. So far as Peter Volo is concerned, it is to be remembered that he has now, in four succeeeding seasons, trotted in 2:19 at a yearling, 2:04½ at two, 2:03½ at three, and now, 2:02 at four. Flesh and blood have their limitations, and few are the lanes that have no turning. There has been, in all surety, no race horse ever foaled exempt from the operation of nature's laws. One may seem to be for a time, but in the end the inevitable happens. With me much of the fascination of watching the career of Peter Volo has been bound up with the question, How far will or can he go? The extremest early development is almost never accompanied by long-continued training-on capacity. By this I would not mean to intimate that Peter Volo has reached his limit. I think he has a chance to beat 2:02 considerably. But, on the other hand, it would not surprise me, and never will, for such a career to reach its zenith at any moment and then either sudden and swift or slow but sure "descent of the hill" begin. This is one reason why I am, have ever been, and always will be, strongly opposed to the development of yearlings and the extreme development of two-year-olds.

Regarding the two colts I have only this further to say—that both were faultlessly trained and driven by pre-eminent master-reinsmen, so there was no undue advantage for either on that score. From the standpoint of breeding, Lee Axworthy has, in my judgment, much the best of it, while I also consider him the better-gaited of the pair. And, while he is on the small side, he is the finer individual. In saying this my memory takes me back to an afternoon at Lexington, in 1906, when I stood watching his sire, Guy Axworthy (4) 2:08¾, cool out after the heat in which he took his record—and, curiously enough, he was driven to that record by Tommy Murphy, whose champion his son has now defeated! I thought then I had never seen a handsomer specimen of a young trotting stallion, hot with the heat of battle, than was the son of Axworthy 2:15½ and Lillian Wilkes 2:17¾. He, too, is not large—in size as well as bloodlikeness, son and sire, Lee and Guy, are much alike. Guy Axworthy was also a magnificently gaited trotter, but a "leg" sent him into retirement when he had only shown a flash of his quality. It is Hamburg Belle 2:01¼, the ill-starred daughter of Axworthy, that holds the world's two-heat and single-heat race record. Now Axworthy's grandson has taken the three-heat record. It "runs in the family," you see! When Hamburg Belle performed her unapproached feat, she beat Uhlan 1:58, who later on revenged himself upon her. Uhlan was by Bingen—and Bingen got Lee Axworthy's dam.

Still, some people say "there's nothing in breeding"!

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Mr. C. K. G. Billings was one of the most keenly interested spectators at the two great matches at North Randall. It was his first visit to the harness races this season, and the result was a notable one, for within a few hours after the conclusion of the day's program he had become the owner of William 1:58½, whom he purchased from his owner-breeder, Mr. A. Earl Van Atta, of Otterbein, Ind., for the sum of $30,000 cash.

The news of this transaction will be received by all horsemen with acclaim. It is the general feeling, we think, that William has more than a fair chance to eclipse all existing light harness records before this season closes. He has already demonstrated himself a most marvelous race horse, having never been defeated except by Directum I., whom he forced to the world's race record of 1:58. He has disclosed himself possessed not merely of ultra-phenomenal speed, but of perfect manners, thorough gameness, and undeviating consistency—in fact, of all those attributes which go to round out an individuality practically unprecedented. The main question of interest about him now is, How fast can he go a mile under the most favorable conditions and with a special preparation? That Mr. Billings will utilize him specifically for this purpose is assured. William will go into the hands of trainer Charles Tanner as soon as he fills his engagement, made some time since, for the present week at Montreal, and will by him be pointed for an effort to beat all existing records "in the open." Not only will he be started to sulky, but it may be taken for granted that Mr. Billings himself will be seen behind him in an effort for a new world's wagon record. It is not improbable that these performances will be features at Lexington next October.

The passing of William into the Billings stable places him in companionship with Uhlan 1:58, Lou Dillon 1:58½ and The Harvester 2:01, the three world's champion trotters, and the feeling will be that he is "where he belongs." Truly, there is no other man identified with the light harness turf whom the general public regards as so fitting an owner for such a horse as William, as the man into whose possession he has now passed. We cannot, however, record this sentiment without saying also that from the purely sentimental standpoint, there is another man whom the public would equally have liked to see remain his owner "to the end of the chapter"—and that is the man who has just sold him. Mr. Van Atta was not known to the turf world at large until the advent of his wonderful colt, but since then he has gained the respect and esteem of the entire fraternity for his invariable sportsmanlike attitude in the management of William and the principles and ideals that have guided him. He did not desire to part with the horse, and had repeatedly refused very flattering offers for him; but, not being a man of large wealth, he did not feel that he could refuse the offer of Mr. Billings, particularly as it came from the source whence it did, which guaranteed the future of the horse that he had bred, that in turn enriched him and made him nationally notable, and for whose welfare he cherished the deepest solicitude.

That the man who has prepared so many champions for their highest achievements, capping the climax with the many record-breaking performances of Uhlan, is to have charge of William is another guarantee of his future. There is no man living who equals Charles Tanner in the fulfilling of such a task

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ALONG THE YUKON.

When one mentions the Yukon river to the average erson it recalls the days of the mad rush of thou- ands in 1896-7-8 down this great stream to the rich old fields of the frozen North. It brings back mem- ries of the hardships endured along that pathway trewn with broken hearts and dismal disappoint- ments. Thrilling stories of those who packed their upplies and equipment at Dyea or Skaguay and ramped over the difficult Chilkoot pass in snow and ce on to White Horse for the spring opening, there o commit to the tender mercy of the swift running, ftentimes treacherous Yukon, a frail craft laden with human freight bound for the land of hope and treasure.

Owing to the uncertainty of the time of sailing the ittle town is crowded with people for at least two weeks. The opening of the shipping season is regu- ated by the ice jam in Lake LaBarge—a part of the iver through which the steamer must pass.

The steamers are the stern wheel type, built very nuch after the plan of the old Mississippi river boats except that their bows are square instead of pointed or rounded, the departure from the regulation ship being made on account of the boats being used to push barges of freight down the Yukon. Their en- gines burn wood and stop two or three times a day to "wood up" at the steamship "fuel" camps. At these points great piles of wood are kept on the river banks. There is no wharf and the steamer runs directly up to the bank. From four to five cords are taken at a time and while the loading is being done the passengers step ashore and spend their time gathering wild flowers and fighting mosquitoes.

Gathering wild flowers on the banks of the Yukon is a real joy despite the mosquitoes, for the most beautiful kinds grow there in abundance. The sea- son lasts only three months, but during that time bluebells, honeysuckle, wild roses, sweet peas and myrtle run riot over the hills and bloom even at the foot of a glacier. The ground is perpetually frozen and only about two feet thaws out during the summer season. The melting ice furnishes plenty of moisture and the warm sun does the rest.

A walk on the deck of the first boat will convince the traveler that all sorts and conditions of men and women make up the passenger list, for the first boat invariably carries gamblers and women of the half-world, as well as miners and supply dealers. As soon as the steamer pulls out the games are on in the smoking room, and before the boat reaches Dawson a number of men are "cleaned out" of money. Those who travel second class bring their own blan- kets and sleep in tiers of canvas strung up like hammocks. The space about them is also used as a baggage room for the luggage of the first-class passengers and for storing mail.

Getting on a sandbar is part of the Yukon pro- gramme, and this act generally begins on the first day out, and occurs at least once a day during the entire voyage. The river is constantly changing and a new channel is formed every year. All steamships carry huge poles, known as "shears," or sometimes called "ships' legs." When a sandbar is struck the pole is dropped off the slide and stands upright in the sand. A pulley is attached at the top, the en- gine is started and the boat lifted and swung forward six or eight feet. This process is repeated until the vessel is clear of the bar. During the jumping off process the passengers are sent aft in order to lift the bow. Soundings are taken with a gaily-colored pole until deep water is reached. The time spent on a sandbar varies from an hour to several days, and one of the boats actually remained on a bar for five days.

The boat on which the writer traveled reached Lake LaBarge late in the afternoon after a delightful June day. There the ice was from 10 to 18 inches thick and spread from shore to shore like a field of snow. The steamer pushed on while the sharp ice pounded savagely against the hull, which was built of 1½-inch planks. It scraped and cut the sides of the boat and buckled and formed little ice mountains over the lake. The steamer ran slower and slower until, after cutting through five miles, the captain decided he could go no farther in safety, so the steamer tied up at an uninhabited island to wait until the sun and wind would cause the ice to break. As soon as the steamer stopped the mosquitoes came on board and began their torments. Some of the pas- sengers rushed ashore and made fires of the drift- wood and sat around it to protect themselves from the pests.

All night and all the next day the steamer waited, and in the meantime the crew carried logs aboard and built an ice plow for the boat. The Vidette, a small boat used by the Northwest Mounted Police of the Yukon, was trying to reach Dawson with sup- plies, and she had started from White Horse a few hours later and was compelled to tie up at the island as well.

Late in the afternoon several people who were sitting on the upper deck saw a vessel steaming through the ice. It proved to be the Prospector com- ing from Dawson. She had fought her way through the ice. The Vidette instantly steamed up and crept out hugging the shore. At 8 o'clock in the evening, after twenty-four hours' delay, the first boat cast off and went into the ice. It was 11 o'clock when the sun set with that gorgeous coloring which the orb of day shows only in that northland. Red, yellow, pink and violet followed each other in quick succession and blended themselves together in indescribable beauty. The mountains and clouds caught the spirit of the light and when the sun had passed from view their shadows were picturesquely reflected in La- Barge's clear waters. It was a scene not soon for- gotten—the quick orders of the officers, the beating of the log plow against the boat, the noise of the breaking ice, and the stillness of the passengers who watched the opening of navigation in absolute si- lence.

Just beyond the lake is what is known as the sweepers—a swift current which is unusually danger- ous, especially for small boats, and during the early days many people lost their lives at this place. At times the water is so clear that the fish can be seen swimming about, but it gradually becomes darker as the steamer goes down stream, and at places is stained with the silt and decomposed moss carried down through the creeks from the moraines of glaciers.

Along the Yukon Nature is unmarred by the hand of man and in many places its banks rise to the dig- nity of mountains. Their slopes are well covered with spruce and birch, and the high sand banks are so honeycombed with martens' nests as to resemble miniature forts. The river is tortuous and at many places the current runs nine miles an hour.

Narrow gorges are entered and at the Five Finger Rapids (so called from the fact that four rocks pro- trude to a height of about forty feet from the center of the stream, dividing it into five channels) the pas- sengers are treated to the sensation of running the rapids between rocks scarcely twice the width of their boat apart. The place is considered extremely dangerous and boats coming up the river, in order to avoid being dashed against the rocks, pick up a cable fastened on the shore for that purpose, and by winding it around the capstan pull themselves up the rapids. The isolated rocks in the channel are the breeding places of gulls and other wild birds. At Fort Selkirk the Lewes and Pelly rivers join each other and make for the Yukon proper. There, in- numerable islands and hilly shores combine to make the scenery not unlike that of southeastern Alaska. Small settlements and Indian villages are sprinkled along the banks, and a little farther on, nestling on a flat at the foot of the Dome, lies Dawson, the Mecca of the gold hunter of 1898, and one of the greatest mining camps in the world—a town which sprang up over night and has passed through the various stages of life typical to a mining camp and finally settled down into a law abiding, sober little city.

After leaving that city wild life becomes plentiful and frequently the passengers are treated to the sight of a moose swimming through the waters or catch a glimpse of a black bear through the trees. Fifty miles below Dawson the river crosses the line from the Yukon territory into our own Alaska. The place is named Forty Mile, and is the pioneer mining town of the Yukon. Then follows Eagle, where there is a great wireless station owned by the United States Government. After many twists and turns Circle City, at one time the most populous settlement in interior Alaska, is reached. The rush to the Klon- dike, however, took away many of the inhabitants. In the creeks near this place such a large amount of mastodon ivory has been discovered that one of the creeks is known as Mastodon.

Farther down the stream broadens and the shores and small islands are dotted with Indian fishing camps, and very often on account of the steamer get- ting on a sand bar, the traveler gets a good view of the great strings of fish dried in the sunshine.

At Fort Yukon the river runs to the edge of the Arctic Circle—the true land of the Midnight Sun, as for several days in June the sun is never out of sight. At one time this place was an Indian trading post. After this come the Yukon flats, which spread out for at least 100 miles, after which Fort Hamilton comes into view. Thousands of geese may be seen on these flats. Rampart City—a place founded in 1897, is the next stopping point.

At present there is a hydraulic mining proposition in operation there which employs a large number of men, but the "city" is not attractive. At Tanana those who are going to Fairbanks change boats. The Government keeps a herd of reindeer at this point which is really worth going miles to see. Another amusement at this place is baseball, and in mid- summer the games are called at 10 p. m. and end between midnight and 1 a. m.

Below Tanana the current of the river increases and Kokrine is soon passed. Yuykup and Nulato, an Indian village, arouse the curiosity of the travelers, especially the latter, where the Indian women with tattooed faces come down to the wharf to sell curios. About this time there is a new arrival of mosquitoes and between bargaining with the Indians and fighting the voracious pests the traveler has a lively time. The majority of the settlements of the lower Yukon still retain their Russian names and life goes on much the same as it did under the Russian regime. At Kallag there is a Government station and a trail which is used as a short cut to Nome by mail carriers with their dog sleds in winter. From this place the river flows almost directly south to Koserfsky, then north- west to Andrefsky and into Behring Sea. St. Mich- aels, built on an island near the river's mouth, is reached through a channel between the island and the mainland and the traveler's journey is ended—a trip which though at times monotonous is never uninteresting.

SMALL BORE RIFLE CONTESTS, 1915.

The National Rifle Association of America has announced the prize winners in the Small Bore Short Range Outdoor Shooting League, in which thirty-four clubs participated from June 5 to August 7, shooting a match each week for ten weeks.

The winner of the matches is the Peters Rifle and Revolver Club of Kings Hills, Ohio, with a total score of 9,575. The members of the winning team are James Crawford, John Beedle, Forest McClung, A. D. Rothrock and Clarence Pierson. The Auburn, N. Y., Rifle Club finished second, score 9431, and third place was won by the Bucyrus, Ohio, Rifle Club, 9225. The Portsmouth-Norfolk, Va., Rifle Club, finished eleventh and won the first place and medals for Class B. The Kiowa Shooting Club of Des Moines, Iowa, gets first place and the medals in Class C, being twenty-first in the order of standing.

In the individual shooting nearly all the honors went to A. D. Rothrock, of the Peters Club. He had a total score of 1942 out of a possible 2000. He made the highest aggregate score in rapid fire, 991, but as under the conditions of the matches he could take only one medal, the prize for the best rapid fire goes to his club-mate, Forest McClung, who scored 980. The medal for the highest aggregate slow fire was won by J. Patterson of the Hydraulic Pressed Steel Co. Rifle Club, of Cleveland, Ohio, total 963. Sixty men fired in every match and made 80 per cent or better of the grand aggregate. Only one competitor mad the possible at slow fire, J. H. Cole, of the Auburn club. In rapid fire shooting, Rothrock made 5 possibles; McClung one; Beedle two; Stebbins of Auburn, 2; Lane of N. Y., one; Shapley of Auburn and Bork of Fremont, one each.

Final standing of clubs:

Order.	Name of Club.	Aggregate Score.
1.	Peters R. & R. Club	9575
2.	Auburn Rifle Club	9431
3.	Bucyrus Rifle Association	9225
4.	Rifle and Revolver Club of New York	9211
5.	Fremont Rifle and Revolver Club	9196
6.	St. Louis Colonial Revolver Club	9026
7.	Meeker Rifle Club	9006
8.	Pittsburgh Rifle and Revolver Club	9002
9.	Fort Harrison Rifle Club	8982
10.	Hydraulic Press Steel Rifle Club	8902
11.	Portsmouth-Norfolk Rifle Club	8889
12.	Cypress Hills R. & R. Ass'n	8853
13.	Canton Rifle Club	8814
14.	Ashburnham Rifle Club	9653
15.	Citizens' Rifle and Revolver Club	8567
16.	Dallas Rifle and Revolver Clu...b	9548
17.	Toledo Yacht Club Rifle & Pistol Ass'n	8445
18.	Milwaukee Rifle and Revolver Club	8366
19.	Nogales Rifle Club	8330
20.	Shawnee Rifle and Revolver Club	8283
21.	Kiowa Shooting Club	8268
22.	Niskayuna Rifle Club	7857
23.	Lewiston-Clarkston Rifle Club	7846
24.	South Chicago Rifle Club	7727
25.	Quincy Rifle Club	7532
26.	San Simon Rifle Club	7451
27.	Black Hawk Rifle Club	7440
28.	Ithaca Rifle Club	7300
29.	Massachusetts Rifle Ass'n	7117
30.	Interwoven Rifle Club	6680
31.	Kansas City Rifle Club	6655
32.	Ephrata Rifle Club	1978
33.	Fort Worth Rifle Ass'n	1518
34.	Chicago Rifle Club	389

CALIFORNIA CLUB WON.

The Los Angeles Rifle and Revolver Club proves the winner of the inter-club military match shot by rifle clubs between July 17 and 31, according to an announcement of the National Rifle Association. The Los Angeles club made a total score of 2,294 of the possible 2,500. Twenty-five clubs competed, ten men on each club, under service conditions, each man firing ten shots at 200 and 300 yards rapid fire and 300, 500 and 600 yards slow fire. The members of the winning team are E. C. Crossman, H. C. March, Dr. L. Felsenthal, I. O. Gardiner, D. R. Dickey, W. R. Jackson, E. D. Neff, A. F. Goldsborugh, R. J. Frazer, W. H. Hansen, G. L. Wotkyns and A. L. Thompson. Wotkyns made the highest individual score, 243. He and Dickey were the only men to make the possible 50, at rapid fire. Dickey shot a military rifle for the first time about a month before the match. The Phoenix, Arizona, Rifle Club, which finished second, beat out Los Angeles at the 300 and 500 slow fire and the 200 rapid fire ranges. The Fort Pitt Club of Pittsburgh led all teams at 500 yards. The National Board for Promotion of Rifle Practice will give a

trophy and decorations for the winners. The scores of the clubs are as follows:

Los Angeles 2294, Phoenix 289, Fort Pitt 2287, Quinnipiac, of New Haven, 2260; Kane, Pa., 2252; Gisholt, Madison, Wis., 2251; Seattle 2250; Hoosier, Indianapolis, 2237; Nogales, Arizona, 2208; Douglas, Arizona, 2188; St. Paul 2175; Bucyrus, Ohio, 2167; Fremont, Ohio, 2156; Rocky Mountain, Butte, 2152; Manhattan, Nevada, 2116; Salt Lake City, 2081; Port Clinton, Ohio, 2066; Albion, Ind., 2063; St. Augustine, Fla., 2015; Stanton, Neb., 1983; Newark, N. J., 1693; Garfield, Utah, 1616; Honolulu, Hawaii, 1565; Bladen, Neb., 1479, and Engineers, Cleveland, 1316.

GRAND AMERICAN HANDICAP.

The greatest trap shooting tournament ever held, to date, was the sixteenth Grand American Handicap of the Interstate Association, held at Grant Park, Chicago. Weather conditions throughout the shoot were generally cloudy and cool. More or less high winds prevailed each day during the week's shooting. Some shooters found difficulty in shooting over the water, with others the situation did not make much difference. The fluctuating averages from day to day and many low scores can be laid mainly to windy conditions at different times. A grand total of 282,473 targets were trapped during the shoot. Nearly 900 shooters in all took part in the different events.

Seven amateur shots: Tom Wilkes, of San Francisco; H. M. Williams, U. S. N.; Harry Ogelvie, of Lindsay, Cal.; P. H. O'Brien, of Portland; Frank Troeh, of Vancouver, Wash., and C. E. McKelvey of Seattle, with Clarence A. Haight and P. J. Holohan, represented the Pacific Coast.

The number of entries and amounts paid winning shooters follow:

Division of Purses.

Grand Park Introductory, August 16—235 entries at $16.00, $3,760. Added by Interstate Association $100—Total purse $3,860.00. Forty-eight moneys, divided among 57 high guns:

W. S. Hoon, 196, $386.; S. A. Huntley, 195, $347; Wm. Ridley, 194, 270.20; J. E. Harker, 194, 270.20; E. B. Eaton, 193, 173.10; Mark Arie, 193, $173.10; six 192's, $83.65 each; three 191's, $77.20 each; four 190's, $38.60 each; nine 189's, $38.60 each; nine 188's, $38.60 each; five 187's, $38.60 each; eight 186's, $24.10 each.

Chicago Overture, August 17.—219 entries at $13.00 on targets, $2847.00. Added by Interstate Association $100.00—Total purse $2947.00. Twenty-two moneys divided among 32 high guns:

H. J. Rebhausen 98, $383.10; S. A. Huntley 97, $294.70; Wm. Wettleaf 97, $294.70; Wm. Foord 96, $221.00; P. J. White 96, $221.00; seven 95's, $125.25 each, eight 94's, $58.95 each; eleven 93's, $5.35 each.

Purse on scores made on each frame of 20 birds, 219 entries at $2.00 each, $2,190.00. Event 1—three 20's paid $48.15 each; twenty-four 19's paid $12.20 each. Event 2—twenty-seven 20's paid $16.20 each. Event 3—twenty-one 20's paid $20.45 each; thirty-three 19's paid $19.25 each. Event 4—nineteen 20's paid $21.65 each; thirty-four 19's paid 70 cents each. Event 5—thirty-four 20's paid $12.90 each.

National Amateur Championship, double targets, August 17—88 entries at $8.00, $640.00. Added by the Interstate Association $100. Total purse, $740.00. Sixteen moneys among 18 high guns:

G. V. Dering 91, $118.40; M. Arie 90, $103.60; S. A. Huntley 87, $81.40; W. Ridley 84, $66.60; three 83's, $57.80; one 82, $37.00; one 81, $37.00; two 80's, $25.90; three 79's, $19.70; four 78's, $7.40 each.

National Amateur Championship, single targets, August 18—14 entries at $10, $140. Two moneys divided among three high guns: C. H. Newcomb $84.00, R. A. King and A. B. Richardson 98, $28.00 each.

Preliminary Handicap, August 18—653 entries at $5.00, $3,265.00, 36 entries for targets only (689 entries). Added to the purse $100.00—Total purse $3,365.00. Fifty moneys, divided among 84 high guns:

R. H. Morse 95, $336.50; E. Schendel, C. A. Gunning and G. T. Mackie 94, $269.70 each; five 93's, $134.60 each; ten 92's, $50.45 each; twelve 91's and eighteen 90's, $33.65 each; thirty-five 89's, $1.00 each.

Grand American Handicap, August 19-20—751 regular entries at $8.00, $6,008.00; 80 penalty entries at $13.00, $1,040.00; 53 forfeits at $5.00, $265.00 . Added by the Interstate Association $500—Total purse, $7,813.00. Fifty moneys, divided among 68 high guns, the first four moneys were decided by shooting off the tie, in the order named below:

L. B. Clarke	18	96	$781.30	$781.30
M. E. Dewire	18	96	703.15	703.15
J. J. Randall	19	96	625.05	625.05
C. C. Hickman	19	96	546.90	546.90
E. W. Anderson	17	95	468.80	468.80
J. H. Ferry	17	95	390.65	390.65
A. Gilson	18	95	312.50	312.50
C. B. Helm	18	95	234.40	286.45
P. L. Heinecke	16	95	156.25	286.45
C. W. Irrgang	16	95	156.25	286.45
C. G. Burmeister	16	94	156.25	106.55
R. B. Ward	16	94	156.25	106.55
C. N. Wray	16	94	156.25	106.55
D. A. Raymond	16	94	156.25	106.55
G. M. Redick	19	94	78.15	106.55
J. S. Frink	20	94	78.15	106.55
R. J. Starkey	19	94	78.15	106.55
C. H. Heinzerling	16	94	78.15	106.55
H. W. Leffingwell	17	94	78.15	106.55
O. K. Mauck	17	94	78.15	106.55
G. K. Mackie	18	94	78.15	106.55
R. W. C. Shull	16	93	78.15	78.15
C. P. Ray	19	93	78.15	78.15
P. H. O'Brien	20	93	78.15	78.15
A. R. Chezik	19	83	78.15	78.15
P. J. Graham	19	93	78.15	78.15
F. Card	17	93	78.15	78.15
O. P. Goode	19	93	78.15	78.15
G. P. Renehan	16	92	78.15	78.15
C. M. Beer	18	92	78.15	78.15
T. J. Donald	17	92	78.15	78.15
A. J. Dupies	17	92	78.15	78.15
J. Fraser, Jr.	17	92	78.15	78.15
J. D. Elliott	18	92	78.15	78.15
B. S. Donnelly	19	92	78.15	78.15
C. C. Emery	19	92	78.15	78.15
E. W. Ford	20	92	78.15	78.15
K. P. Johnson	21	92	78.15	78.15
M. L. Gregerson	16	92	78.15	78.15
P. Hammersmith	16	92	78.15	78.15
E. Kutchera	16	92	78.15	78.15
J. H. Meyers	17	92	78.15	78.15
W. H. Huscher	18	92	78.15	78.15
J. H. Milner	18	92	78.15	78.15
L. C. Huckins	18	92	78.15	78.15
H. H. Otter	17	92	78.15	78.15
M. J. Reed	16	91	78.15	78.15
C. Anderson	18	91	78.15	13.60
C. D. Coburn	20	91	78.15	13.60
H. Ogilvie	20	91	78.15	13.60
J. Herrman	17	91	.....	13.60
W. Carskaden	18	91	.....	13.60
W. Einfeldt	18	91	.....	13.60
B. A. Ehrlich	18	91	.....	13.60
G. E. Shenk	18	91	.....	13.60
C. E. Dimmitt	19	91	.....	13.60
G. J. Roll	19	91	.....	13.60
T. E. Graham	20	91	.....	13.60
L. G. Richards	20	91	.....	13.60
L. M. Stephenson	20	91	.....	13.60
C. G. Webb	18	91	.....	13.60
W. Ridley	22	91	.....	13.60
C. H. Newcomb	22	91	.....	13.60
E. A. Bollhoefer	18	91	.....	13.60
H. Martens	16	91	.....	13.60
A. R. Jones	18	91	.....	13.60
W. Hanna	18	91	.....	13.60
H. H. Hotze	19	91	.....	13.60
Geo. Kistler	19	91	.....	13.60

Consolation Handicap, August 21—270 entries at $5.00, $1,350.00. Added to the purse, 100—Total purse $1,450. Fifty moneys, divided among 53 high guns:

H. Hammersmith 91, $145.00; S. Lever 91, $130.00; seven 90's, $65.25 each; three 89's, $29.00 each; six 88's, $19.35 each; eleven 87's and ten 86's, $14.50 each; fourteen 85's, $11.40 each.

At the Traps

Salinas Shoot.—One of the best shoots in the history of the Salinas Rodeo Gun Club was held Sunday over the traps at the Sherwood Park, writes a correspondent. Three good prizes were awarded the top liners and a fine feed was given everybody. Fred Chappel was high man with a total of 46 birds out of a possible 50. The other prize winners were Frank Pura with 45 and David McFadden with 44. The rest scored in the following positions: V. Massera, Fred Thoicke, Dr. Chappel, Charles McFadden, A. G. Winckler, W. H. Collins, Arthur Horton, Henry Gross, Frank Casey, and Frank Kattner. Other shoots will be held from time to time.

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Chicago Women Trap Shots.—Women have gone in for trap-shooting to such an extent that five who reside in Chicago have not only become expert, but defiant. They claim they form the champion team of the entire world and any group of women who think they can shoot straighter can get an argument by communicating with Mrs. L. M. Featherston.

Captain Featherston issued a defi to the world after her team broke 199 of 250 targets in a telegraph match against a team of Wilmington, Del., women shots. The Wilmington women broke 169 of 250 targets. The teams shot in Chicago and Wilmington and the scores were telegraphed. It was the first shoot of the kind ever held among the fair sex.

All the members of the Chicago team are married. They have household duties to look after, but manage to take enough time away from their homes each week to keep in practice.

Some of the women can shoot better than some of the men of the country who rank high. In the telegraph shoot Mrs. Harold Almert of the Chicago team broke 25 flying targets in succession. She broke 21 of the next 25, making a score of 46 out of 50, despite cloudy weather and a drizzling rain.

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Garden City Traps.—George H. Anderson was high gun with 94 birds out of a possible hundred in a shoot conducted August 29 by the San Jose Blue Rock Club. O. N. Ford broke up 93 and Clem Arques came third with 90. Arques' shooting was featured by a nice run of 30 straight. The score:

O. N. Ford 93, George H. Anderson, high, 94, C. R. Arques 90, S. A. Smith 88, A. J. Lewis 85.

Doubles, 12 pair—George H. Anderson, 21; O. N. Ford, 21; C. R. Arques, 15.

The San Jose Blue Rock Club will turn out in force tomorrow and Monday during the two day registered shoot. There will also be a large attendance of shooters from other points.

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Back Again and Welcome.—Jack Fanning, accompanied by Mrs. Fanning, is due in this city any day now. Jack attended the Grand American Handicap in Chicago and writes that he expects to spend a couple of months "in his old home town." He was here last in 1910.

While here he will give the boys opportunity to examine the Du Pont Try Gun—a device guaranteed to fit any shooter. He will also demonstrate what can be done with a hand trap.

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Live Bird Shoot.—The California Wing Shooting Club will hold the final shoot for the season of 1915 at the Sobrante grounds today.

FISH LINES.

A delegation of members of the California Anglers' Association superintended the restocking of Sonoma county trout waters last Saturday. About 300,000 steelhead and rainbows were liberated in Sonoma creek branches in Graham, El Verano and Nunn's canyons, Salmon and other creeks reached via Bodega roads. Near Cazadero, Ward, Austin, Pole mountain and other creeks were looked after. Stewart's point, farther up the coast, was also a base for distribution of troutlets in near-by streams. From Cloverdale cans of young rainbows were taken on to the Geysers for transplanting in Big and Little Sulphur creeks.

Long-distance outing trips are now in vogue. Nat Boas and Ned Bosqui returned last week from a machine tour of Oregon, Washington and Idaho. All of the well-known waters of those regions were sampled with profit and much sport. Dave Sachs, another Waltonian, is very enthusiastic over angling sport to be found in both the Rogue and McKenzie rivers in Oregon. In the cold waters of the Rogue, trout scaling ten pounds and more can be taken; fighting demons they are, too. The home-town anglers of that district wade out breast deep in the rapid river, where they can get at the big fish. The McKenzie offers a different phase of rod and line application—sport flavored with an element of excitement. Ten and fifteen mile stretches of the swift and turbulent stream are fished from a flat-bottomed boat. The big skiff, in charge of a boatman, is launched from the bank. Once in the current, there is no going back. Down stream, through splashing rapids and whirling eddies, casting here and there until the landing point is reached. The trout in that ice-cold river are large and game fighters. The trip down stream is sensational and there is something doing all the time. Trout are plentiful and a good angler can have a most enjoyable fishing trip. The trout in the two foregoing mentioned rivers, compared to Williamson river fish, are as canvas to cotton. The latter trout are neither as solid nor as full of fight, good as the reputation of the Williamson is. A trout was taken on a No. 4 Wilson spoon in the Williamson recently that measured thirty-three inches in length and weighed thirteen and a half pounds, caught by a Klamath Falls angler.

E. B. Jones and C. F. Breidenstein started by machane on a month's outing trip, September 1, for Big Meadows, thence to Fall and Pitt rivers, on to the Klamath Falls fishing streams, after which the Rogue and Mackenzie rivers will receive attention. Crescent City and vicinity will take up a week, and the jaunt will wind up on Eel river.

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A letter from J. A. Morrill, of Fort Seward, states: "Just returned from a trip to North Eel river near its source. Went to ascertain just what were hunting and fishing conditions and how the trip can be made.

Found the fishing excellent. While I did not catch any extra large fish, I had no trouble in catching the limit of trout averaging six and eight inches, most of them by casting with fly patterns. In some of the larger holes where the water was deeper I caught some with salmon spawn for bait. This was in the west branch of the North Eel river. In the east branch I am told the fish are larger and more plentiful. Also in the upper Van Duzen the fishing is equally as good and the trip can be made in about the same time.

Deer and grouse are quite plentiful and after September one should have no difficulty in bagging the limit. There are some large bucks and they are in good condition.

Arriving on No. 2 train the trip can be made leaving Ft. Seward early following morning by team, arriving Zenia about noon or a little before, where horses are available and guide for the remainder of trip, which is made in about two or three hours, allowing some good fishing in the evening of the first day from Ft. Seward, or for hunting, as may be desired. Leaving the river about 4 p. m. the return to Zenia will be made before nightfall, and from Zenia early next morning train No. 1 can be made. This, of course, is figuring on a brief week-end trip, and I consider it well worth the trip.

For a party of four or more the fare for special trip is $1.50 each way between Zenia and Fort Seward. The charge for saddle horses is $1.00 per day, and for the guide $2.00 per day."

Salmon fishing outside the Heads has been good the past fortnight. A fleet of about 100 boats is out last Sunday. Possibly that many trolling ats will go out again today and tomorrow, for good tches were made all through the week. Among caers Terry Evans landed a 52and a 38 pound salmon nday. Joe Hickingbotham and Toots Schrader's at, trolling off Bolinas bay, caught sixteen fish nning from 6 to 42 pounds, and also a large skate, a bass and a big string of rockcod.

The run of salmon still continues off Santa Cruz. m Flynn and Percy Henderson of this city made te catches several days last week. A. Raht caught elve last Wednesday. E. H. de Selms picked up 36-pounder the same day.

GOSSIP FOR SPORTSMEN

Wednesday, September 1, was the date for the ening of the deer season in game district No. 4, hich district embraces the Southern California unties. The whole State is now open for the opera- on of deer hunting sportsmen—with the exception exactly 732,720 acres of land where wild animals d birds can exist without molestation by the man ith the gun.

The preserved area, while created primarily for the nefit of the game which it protects, is also designed r the safety of campers and summer sojourners in ie mountains and timbered sections. Resort keep- s were interested in the passage of such laws to iminate the dangers arising from hunting game ose to their grounds and also along mountain roads. he preserved area was doubled by the last Legisla- ire at the instigation of the State Fish and Game ommission.

The acreage of the six preserves is as follows: Trinity National forest, 66,650 acres; National Pin- acles forest, in San Benito and Monterey counties, 4, 080 acres; California Redwood park, Santa Cruz unty, 4600 acres; Cleveland National forest, San rnardino county, 98,840 acres; West End National ngles reserve, San Bernardino and Los Angeles unties, 321,360 acres.

The law provides that no wild creature, excepting redatory animals and birds, may be hunted or killed the foregoing preserved areas—for such hunting pecial permits must be secured either from the State fficials or the Federal forest rangers. Furthermore, is unlawful to carry killed game, a buck, for in- tance, through or over any of the preserved terri- ory, even if killed outside of these boundaries. Fish- ng, however, is permitted in the reserves under cer- ain restrictions.

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The predatory animal clause in the State law de- elops the fact that jack-rabbits cannot be hunted vithout securing a hunting license. In the list of o-called predatory animals the long-eared jack does ot appear, nor is the animal mentioned in the peri- ds of close or open seasons. The license law, how- ver, specifies that hunting for wild game requires license, but does not list the animals and birds ommonly regarded as wild game. The ruling, there- ore, is, that as the jack-rabbit is not classed as a redatory animal, it will be necessary to have a hunt- ng license to bag the long-legged bunnies.

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The dove season for every county in the State will pen September 1 and close December 1—three nonths' duration—with the daily individual limit bag laced now at fifteen birds. The birds have been lentiful in many districts, particularly in Colusa and Yolo counties. The open season for tree squirrels (12 per season is the limit) and sage hens (four per lay or eight per week, limit bag) also begins Septem- ber 1. Mountain quail and grouse — ten mountain quail per day, or twenty a week, and four grouse or eight a week—can be shot in game districts No. 1 and No. 23, from September 1 until December 1.

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The records of the past two weeks do not show any noticeable increase in the shipment of deer car- casses sent in by hunters. Nor have many bucks been accounted for by hunters returning in automo- biles. Reports from numerous deer hunting districts are that deer are fairly plentiful, and many hunters have bagged one or two bucks.

It has been intimated in this respect that venison in suit cases, bags and boxes may have been brought in. There is no question but what the new provision in the deer law is regarded as inconvenient and cum- bersome. Every person taking or killing a deer must retain in possession, during the open season, and for ten days after the close of the open season, the skin and portion of the head bearing the horns, and must produce the same upon the demand of any officers authorized to enforce the game and fish laws. Many hunters would forego a trip rather than be bothered with a slimy, strong-smelling hide for the length of time specified.

It must be remembered also that the new law pro- hibiting the killing of spike bucks is now in full force. This provision may lead to future complications from the fact that some deer horns are abnormal in growth—bucks old enough for carrying forked horns or three pointers have been killed with but two straight horns sticking up like tines on a pitchfork.

Deer hunting in Humboldt county in the Mad river country has been excellent. H. L. Miller and party were camped for a month near the junction of Pilot creek and Mad river, where both fishing and hunting was good. Miss Jean Miller bagged a forked horn one day last week. Other members of the party also killed bucks. Hunting parties from Eureka have al- ready bagged many bucks. The Junction City dis- trict, in Trinity county, is reported to be full of deer. Deer also abound, according to the game wardens, in Plumas, Yuba and Sierra counties.

All of the extreme northern counties report an abundance of wild life. Forest fires have been fewer this season, up to date, than in many past years, with the result that deer have not been forced from the natural feeding grounds.

As the deer hunting season progresses, more and more hunters report bagging bucks in the various mountain hunting territories. Conventional stories have been told repeatedly by nimrods who have spent a vacation bent on securing a fine deer head and so many pounds of venison jerky—the regulation re- wards of a successful hunt for the city man. Aside from that odd things happen between times with devotees of the chase, and, further, bucks are bagged in other ways than by impact of a rifle bullet, and the venison tastes just as good.

Mrs. R. Mills of Kenwood, who was recently enjoy- ing a summer outing in the Horicon district, Sonoma county, went out in the woods one morning, accom- panied by her dogs. A fine large buck was jumped by the animals and soon stood at bay in a creek. Mrs. Mills managed to lasso the deer and fastened the rope to a tree, securing the captive buck until she secured assistance. The buck was dressed in due course and disposed of in the usual manner.

Chico hunters have for several years past endeav- ored to lay low a club-footed buck which ranged through the Pine Creek country. H. Powell of Marys- ville did the trick last Sunday. The animal had been shot at many times previously, and when slain a bullet hole through the forked portion of one horn was noticed—which hole, of course, must have been made this season.

Two San Rafael sportsmen were reported to have undergone the nerve-racking experience of being treed by a bull. County Clerk R. E. Graham and Probation Officer Thomas O'Connor (the latter wore a red sweater) were out for a hunt on the Victor Gun Club preserve Saturday. Taking a short cut to camp towards evening through an enclosure where cattle were grazing, they were charged by an enraged bull. The hunted hunters took refuge in a tree—and re- mained there, it is stated, until midnight. Their friends in camp became anxious over the non-appear- ance of the two marooned hunters and organized a searching party composed of Max Blum, John Saun- ders, Jim Owens, William Jones and R. H. Cochrane and several other prominent San Rafaelians. The shooting of guns and reply shots soon brought the searchers and perchers together. It quickly devel- oped that Mr. Bull had departed and a peaceful old cow and several calves were camped out under the tree!

Ed Gautier killed a spike buck illegally in Sonoma county. He was arrested, tried, convicted and sent to jail for fifty days, in lieu of paying a $50 fine imposed by Judge Phillips of Santa Rosa. The deer carcass was turned over to Sheriff Smith, in con- formity with the usual custom of either destroying confiscated game or giving it to some public institu- tion. Gautier in due course enjoyed a big dish of the venison stew fed to the prisoners.

This incident happened near Butte Meadows, near Chester: Mrs. Blank, with her husband, went deer hunting the opening morning in that district. The fair Diana became separated from her husband and wandered back to a spot near their camp. She saw what she thought were two big deer standing in a clump of brush near by. Up went her rifle and two quick reports rang out. The "deer" dropped in their tracks. Quickly reaching the fallen quarry, she found two dead mules! They were her husband's mules.

A party composed of W. Henfield, M. McGrey, Frank Ambrosio, George Wilson and I. Cox returned to Monterey after a two weeks' hunting trip below Slates Hot Springs on Big Creek. Three deer killed, the treeing of one hunter by a mountain lion, a fall by another of the party while on horseback sixty feet down a rough mountain side, neither man nor horse receiving more than minor injuries, made an itinerary of adventure and excitement.

A party of eight San Franciscans returned last week from a hunting and fishing trip in the Coast range mountains of Tehama county, where for two weeks they enjoyed excellent deer hunting and good trout fishing. The vacation outing was at Burnt Camp, a meadow tract of forty acres just under the peak of the South Yallow Bolla. From that point hunting trips were made to Harvey Ridge, Squaw Camp and Toomb's Pocket. In all, twelve fine bucks were brought into camp. Fishing was found, with considerable traveling, in the Cottonwood and Sul- phur creeks.

The party in the mountains included not only the San Franciscans but several residents of Corning, Tehama county, who packed in to the mountains with the visitors. The crowd of sportsmen included Godfrey Eacret, Ed L. Hoag, Frank P. Roop, Charles S. Howard, Perry Graves, Willie Ritchie, Doc Gene Jeffery and Harry B. Smith, of San Francisco; W. Herbert Samson, Supervisor of Tehama county; George Alexander Hoag, Cecil Million, Vernon Flour- noy and Bert Beaumont, all of Corning, Cal.

A part of the journey was made by automobile, and the balance of the rougher traveling with pack train.

Hoag was the leading man in a one-act bit of wild- wood comedy entitled, "The High Buck." One of the party came across a dead deer one afternoon, a buck that had been mortally wounded and escaped from the hunters only to succumb in the lonely brush section where it was found. The finder dragged the carcass over to an open spot, within easy view of a a trail leading by. Early next morning a hunting party was made up and the boys went away under the lead of the deer finder. Suddenly a signal from the leader brought the party to a halt. Cautioning them to be silent, the guide pointed to a buck appar- ently standing in the brush, with head and shoulders exposed. Hoag was selected to shoot, and after careful aim he fired. "A little higher, Ed," said the Guide. Another shot. "Just a bit too low," he was told. The next shot was effective—it cut the string holding the head in place. Rushing forward, elated with his good luck, Hoag stopped suddenly within ten feet of the dead buck—and held his nose. He rejoined the party looking rather sheepish, the joke was on him.

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All special deputy fish and game commissioners in this State have been recently notified that their offices have been abolished and that hereafter no one will have the authority to represent the com- mission in police work except the regularly appointed and salaried field deputies or members of the forest ranger service. The badges and certificates of spe- cial deputies have been called in.

THE BULLDOG AND HIS ORIGIN.

The origin of the bulldog for a long time has been a matter of controversy, although the origin of the name has been easy to find. It comes from the dog that was used for bull baiting, a sport that was popu- lar some years ago. In attacking the bull the bulldog always attacked him in front and usually fastened to his lip, tongue or eye and would hold on in spite of the strenuous efforts of the bull to shake him off.

Puppies of six months of age were sometimes tried against a bull to see of what mettle they were made, although a dog was not thought ready for his best work until he was 15 or 18 months of age and would not reach his prime until 4 or 5 years. The bulldog of today is usually well past his prime at five years of age. This undoubtedly has been brought about by inbreeding in order to get perfect show specimens and as a result their constitutions weakened.

Of course there are many exceptions, as some bull- dogs are in splendid condition and health at a ripe old age, but the dog as a rule is one of the shortest lived of dogs. Many writers are of the opinion that the bulldog is of British origin and a descendant of the dogs which were used by the Britons in their wars with the Romans. This is undoubtedly true and both the English bulldog and the mastiff owe their origin to these dogs.

Probably no other breed of dogs is as universally popular as the bulldog. In England there are up- ward of a dozen bulldog specialty clubs, and in this country a number of powerful organizations are working for the welfare of the breed. The bulldog is one of the most courteous animals living and will bear pain with endurance that leads one to believe they are less sensitive to pain than any other living creature. This wonderful fortitude or courage has been inherited from their ancestors.

Those who do not know the disposition of bulldogs as a rule hold them in horror, for their appearance is against them. The fact is they do not know the dog's nature. A bulldog is one of the most docile of dogs, and as a companion or pet of children would be hard to equal.

They are of a very quiet nature and can be kept in a thickly populated section without annoyance to others, as they seldom bark and are not the kind to roam all over the neighborhood looking for trouble.

The English bulldog never has been more popular than he is today and never has been more highly valued. The bull ring has long since been put out of existence, but the bulldog is here to stay and is gain- ing in popularity every day.

The general appearance of the bulldog should be that of a smooth coated, thick set dog, rather low in stature, but broad, powerful and compact. Its head is strikingly massive and large in proportion to the dog's size. Its face extremely short, muzzle broad, blunt and inclined upward.

The body is short and well knit, the limbs stout and muscular, hindquarters high and strong, but rather lightly made in comparison with the heavy fore parts. The dog must convey an impression of determination, strength and activity similar to that suggested by the appearance of a thick set Ayrshire bull.

FIXTURES.

Registered Tournaments — Pacific States and Territories:

September 5-6.—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

September 6—Tacoma Gun Club, Tasoma, Wash., "Old Policy"; Carl Coon, Secretary.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Sec? retary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

September 24—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 27—Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Oregon.

October 4, 5—Roswell Gun Club, E. P. Malone, Secretary, Roswell, New Mexico.

November 4—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

EARLY HOLSTEIN-FRIESIANS IN AMERICA.

Over three years ago the secretary of the Holstein-Friesian Association of America, F. L. Houghton, asked me to write what I knew of the early history of the breed in this country leading to the formation of the association. I was personally acquainted with his father, Charles Houghton, the first secretary, and W. W. Chenery, the president and founder. I also was intimately acquainted with Thomas E. Whiting and the facts that led to the controversy resulting in the Dutch-Friesian Society.

Many of the largest interests in the world have sprung from chance and grown from very small beginnings. The present status of Holstein-Friesian cattle is an instance. Although Dutch cattle were brought to New Amsterdam, now New York, by early settlers, they did not attract attention outside that state until the late '60's. A few years previously (I cannot learn the exact date) a captain of a sailing ship retired and went to Waltham, Mass., to make his home, taking with him a Dutch cow that he had carried on long voyages to supply milk for the ship. He disposed of her in 1852 to W. W. Chenery, a wealthy wholesale liquor dealer of Boston, whose residence was in Waltham. The cow proved so good that Mr. Chenery decided to send an order to his Holland gin agent in Amsterdam to select two cows and one bull to send to him. In 1859 he sent another order for four more cows. These, with all their progeny except a bull, were destroyed by Massachusetts officials because they had contracted pleuro-pneumonia.

Not discouraged by his misfortune, Mr. Chenery made another importation in the fall of 1861, consisting of four cows and one bull. These cattle all being black and white, he was led to believe that it was the distinguishing and true color, hence the color-line rule. Mr. Chenery's interest in the cattle increased and he exhibited them at the leading New England fairs, where they attracted great attention. He finally decided to form a society for registering them, not for personal gain, but because he believed they would become of great value to the animal industry of America. The first volume of the herd book was published in 1872, recording 61 bulls and 67 cows.

These particulars I learned from Mr. Chenery in the many interviews I had with him in the '70's, after I took charge of the Russell herd. I knew nothing of the breed until Thomas E. Whiting, also a Boston merchant, returned from a pleasure trip to Europe in the summer of 1871 and brought five cows and one bull direct from Holland to my farm in old Concord, Mass. He applied for registry in the Holstein herd book, and Mr. Chenery came to inspect them. After looking them over he turned to Mr. Whiting saying, "You have a fine lot of cattle, but only two are eligible to registry under our rules." Two of the cows were of the regulation black and white; one, a very nice one, was red and white, one was steel gray, and one a sort of pumpkin and milk color. The bull was solid black except for a white shield in the face, and white legs, belly and end of tail. The cows came from the best districts in North Holland—Beemster, Midwoud, Halem Meer and vicinity. The bull was from the extreme north—Groningen—and Mr. Whiting told me that the color of the bull was the prevailing color in that district.

Knowing nothing previously of the color line, Mr. Whiting had given attention only to quality and individual merit in making selections, and being rather hot-headed he flew into a passion at once and said to Mr. Chenery, "You can take all or none." At that time I had no idea of having anything to do with the breed personally and took little interest in the controversy that followed, though I was compelled to listen to Mr. Whiting's side of it, as he made his home with me during the following six months. He declared that not only was the name Holstein wrong, in fact a misnomer, but that all colors were found in Holland and no difference was made in value because of color by the best breeders.

After a while Mr. Whiting decided to register the two cows accepted by Mr. Chenery, and later Mr. Chenery consented to take in the bull also, hoping in that way to pacify Mr. Whiting, though instead of being pacified he grew more bitter. He finally disposed of the whole lot and went for a second. As I remember he bought all of his second importation in Friesland, and came home with the idea of starting a new society with the proper name—Dutch Friesian.

Until I took charge of the William A. Russell herd in Massachusetts in 1872 I had always believed the milking families of Shorthorns the best dual-purpose dairy cows, but the result of judicious treatment of Holsteins at Andover changed my mind. I believed that a profitable trade could be worked up in the middle west, and with Mr. Chenery's help I persuaded Mr. Russell to let me try for it. My three successful trips to Illinois in '73 and '74 interested him, and he determined to send me to Holland to select a herd. His only instructions were: "Get quality regardless of cost."

The information that I had previously gained from Mr. Whiting was of considerable assistance to me, and during my first trip I had an opportunity to get facts and decide which one was right in the controversy between him and Mr. Chenery. I found that in the matter of name Mr. Whiting was right; although some of the North Holland cattle may have descended from Holstein cattle, the Dutch farmer and the environment had transformed them into a highly improved breed, and Friesian was a more proper name; but Dutch or Hollanders was still more proper than Friesian, because while excellent cattle are found in Friesland they are no better than those in other districts; in fact, I found a higher average in Edam, Beemster, Midwoud and adjacent low-land districts.

In the matter of colors also Mr. Whiting was in a measure correct. I found them quite varied, the black-and-whites in the majority, but steel grays and red-and-whites quite numerous and as highly valued as any. The red-and-whites were prized particularly because of better form—smoother and finer; and I was told that their milk averaged richer and that the district of Gelderland was their proper home.

Because of my favorable experience with the red-and-whites, I fully determined to go to Gelderland and select a herd and bring it to Aurora. But the panic of '84 and late '86 delayed me, and on closing out my herd in '94 I gave up the idea.

The red-and-white blood is so strong in some strains of so-called Holstein-Friesians that it still crops out occasionally, and I have yet to see a poor cow among them. I still contend that if the organizers of the Holstein society had made quality and performance instead of color the standard, the breed would have made more rapid progress in public favor, as then importers would have been more careful in their selections and not so much would have been said of "soup bones and skimmed milk." This is not that I do not value uniform color where it can be had without sacrificing essentials. As soon as the Dutch farmers realized the value that American trade was likely to be, and that only black and white would be accepted, the off-colors became scarce and in some districts almost entirely disappeared.

While I do not place the value that some do on the excessively high yields reported, because of the forcing process which dairymen cannot afford to follow, I get a deal of satisfaction from knowing that many of the best cows and others closely related to them passed through my hands. Lady Cliffden, the first cow to make a high record—77½ pounds of milk in a day and 17,746 pounds in a year—was in the first importation made for Mr. Russell, and was one of the family afterwards known as Aaggies. Her record was made with liberal feeding, but not by the forcing process.

In 1876 I imported the bull recorded in Holland as Jacob. I did not like the name, so changed it to Cato. His get in Holland, as well as that in Dundee, Ill., where I sold him, proved high-class milkers. Lady Le Baron, the dam of Jacob, was a first-class cow and a deep milker. I imported her in 1879, after importing several of her heifers bought at high prices; I found her that year in the feedlot to be fattened for market. It was a rule among Dutch farmers that when it came a cow's turn to "go for the beef," she must go regardless of dairy qualities. I kept her at Aurora several years. She was an extra milker the year through. It was impossible to dry her off. Her offspring were all of like quality. My herd records are not available now.

I owned Johana Paul. She was a common-looking young cow, not an extra milker. I sold her for $125. I was told that later one bull calf from her sold for $1,000. Her daughter Pauline Paul, by Climax, became famous because of her butter record—1,153 pounds and 15 ounces—as well as her milk product—18,669 pounds and 9 ounces in a year. I think the credit of these records belongs to Climax, her sire. He was by 2d Consul, son of Dictator, out of Lavinia, both in the Russell importation of 1874. I am told that Lavinia proved an extra milker, and her heifers also after I left Andover, but I have none of the records at hand.

It can safely be claimed that the history of Holsteins in the middle west commenced on Dexter Severy's farm at Leland, Ill., in June, 1873, where I took the first carload from the Russell farm. Until then, so far as I can learn, there was none owned west of Ohio, except a few in Walla Walla, Wash., owned by a Boston friend of Mr. Chenery. No special effort had been made to push them.

It took a lot of persistent hard work to get them started. My first attempt was on two dairymen in Pawpaw, Ill., recommended by Mr. Severy. I was met with the biggest rebuff I have had in my long experience: "No, we don't want them." "What little we know of them is against them." "No money to waste on them." "No time to go and look at them." But after a few hours' argument they consented to stop and look at them on their way to town. They came as agreed, and in less time than it takes to tell the story closed a bargain for a four-year-old bull at $600. I said then that I would not take "No" for an answer where I found a dairy so situated that Holsteins could be handled to advantage, unless the wife interfered, which I met with occasionally; then I wasted no more time there.

The two Pawpaw men bought two cows the next year and were highly pleased with their investments. I made a farm to farm canvass for the next two years through northern Illinois, Wisconsin, and Iowa. The progress made by Holsteins from 1875 to 1884 was phenomenal. Then came the panic and years of depression. Just as I had completed my purchase of 300 Holsteins in 1884 the report came of the Baring Bros.' failure, and I had difficulty in getting my drafts cashed. I wished many times in the late '80's that the panic had come a few months sooner, because of the drop in prices and slow sales. I would have made good, however, but for another disappointment. When I purchased my Texas ranch in 1890 determined to move my young stock there and build up an acclimated herd, but during my absence m superintendent, contrary to my instructions, permitted a Mexican buyer to pick all my best cows, thu spoiling my herd. I decided to let the remainder g at nominal prices.

While more than two decades have passed since closed my financial interest in the breed, I read wit pleasure of other breeders' success, and get a dea of satisfaction from thinking of the active part I too in promoting the breed, and that the prejudice an opposition of jealous opponents that I met are fas wearing away. There is ample room in America fo all the improved breeds of domestic animals.

I regret that Mr. Chenery could not have lived t know the result of his efforts. There were 61 bull and 67 cows in Vol. I of the herd book and there ar now recorded a total of 161,891 bulls and 292,13 cows. The total of recorded cattle includes those i the Holstein Herd Book, the Holstein-Friesian Herd Book, the Dutch-Friesian Herd Book and the Western Herd Register.

Mr. Whiting continued the contest until he was ruined, financially as well as mentally. He died o softening of the brain, his troubles the direct cause He imported some very fine cattle, and was consci entious and honest, but was too persistent in a losing contest.—G. E. Brown, Breeders' Gazette.

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as that now before him. He has been "out of harness" for over a year past, and had repeatedly refused to again resume activity in the sulky—but the combination of Mr. Billings and William overcame his resolve to permanently retire from the vocation in which he has won unprecedented triumphs on two continents. As a result, it is our expectation that he will, ere long, have to his credit not only the driving of Uhlan to the world's trotting record, but that of driving William to the world's pacing record as well. All that seems necessary to insure it is that no misfortune happens to the horse.

In conclusion we may say, as we did concerning the change of ownership of William, that while it is a source of gratification that he has passed into the hands of his new trainer, it is also a source of regret that he has passed out of those of his old one. William has been "made," as the phrase goes, "from the ground up," by trainer William W. Marvin, for whom also he was named. That reinsman has had entire charge of his development, training and racing from the date when he was first broken to harness, and the manner in which he has acquitted himself of his task has been faultless. The voice of criticism is silent when the results of his labors are contemplated, for no other like instance is of record. Unqualified commendation cannot, on the contrary, be restrained, for the self-same reason.

We congratulate Mr. Billings upon his purchase of William. We believe that he will derive an immense amount of pleasure from his ownership. We congratulate Charles Tanner that the horse has passed into his care, for we believe that their connection will be fraught with great results. We congratulate Mr. Van Atta upon selling him, but over and above that upon the fact that he bred him in the first place, and has, as his owner, controlled him with such success and with constant adherence to the best methods of sportsmanship. We congratulate trainer Marvin for all he has done with him and the manner in which it has been done. In every respect we feel that, to date, no chapter of turf history has been more prolific of satisfaction to all horsemen with the best interests of the sport at heart.—Horse Review.

With all the buying of army steeds for the European war the American breeders, the most of whom live in the west, have parted with not more than 300,000 head, so that it would look as if the buyers are not here to deplete our horse stock very soon. In America we have twenty-three million horses of all kinds and sizes and Russia with twenty-six million is the only country that has more. The removal of 300,000 head is a very small fraction to fuss about and the horses we have spared will never be missed at all. Colonel Holesworth, who is in charge of the British remount service in America, told us the other day that the army call for our horses would continue for at least three years longer and then at the close of hostilities every country involved would have to have more animals for peace than they had provided for war, so that the demand on America is likely to be pretty stiff for years to come. The immediate needs are likely to take up a lot of rejects now held by some of the sub-contractors who have been a little careless in their choosing. Buying has been resumed in Chicago and St. Louis and the bug will soon be moving out this way again. The Carpathia, which figured in the rescue of the Titanic survivors, left Yonkers, New York, last week with 1,901 horses on board. This is the largest number ever put on one ship. She sailed for St. Nazaire, France, and got there all right without being torpedoed enroute. It requires a good deal of courage to risk the sea shipment of horses these days on account of the European war.—Field and Farm.

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THE FARM

SORES ON HORSES.

Many horse owners at this season of the year find that their horses are troubled by sores which resist usual methods of treatment, and which in this respect differ from ordinary wounds. These growths or sores are supposed to be of fungous origin. Their true nature and cause, however, have not been definitely determined. They are especially prevalent in the Southern States, and are called summer sores on account of their persistency and the difficulty with which they are healed during the summer season. As cool weather approaches, healing frequently takes place, but there is always the possibility of the wound breaking out anew with the advent of warm weather. They may appear on any portion of the body, but are especially troublesome when occurring on the lower parts of the limbs or at points where the harness touches.

Frequently the first indication or appearance of the trouble is a small lump resembling a grain of shot beneath the skin. In a few days the skin sloughs off over the spot, leaving a raw surface. This increases in size until in a few weeks there is a raw surface from one to several inches in diameter. Commonly there is intense itching, and the animal bites and rubs the parts, aggravating the condition and increasing the size of the sore. The edges of these sores are usually rough in appearance and raised above the surface of the skin. When examined closely they appear like a mass of dark bruised tissue in which is embedded more or less of a yellow, gritty growth.

Numerous methods of treatment have been resorted to in this condition, with varying results, and frequently no improvement is noted until the approach of cold weather. Many cases, however, yield to the following treatment: The wound is thoroughly scraped with a surgeon's sterilized curette, or with a clean, disinfected dull knife, after which it is showered with cold water for 10 or 15 minutes. Iodoform is then dusted on and rubbed into the wound by means of a wad of absorbent cotton, and the wound is immediately covered with a layer of collodion. The iodoform and collodion applications are repeated every 24 hours for 15 days or until the sores heal. Ether or chloroform may be used in place of iodoform, being poured on cotton and applied to the sore for two minutes before painting it with collodion.

Formalin has been used by injecting it into the tisseues. This, however, should be used only by a qualified veterinarian, as its improper use might cause severe sloughing and disastrous results.

Not infrequently a valuable stallion becomes affected, in which case the genital organs may become involved and incapacitate the animal for breeding purposes. In such instances the injection of 75 to 100 grains of salvarsan, or neosalvarson, into the blood circulation has proved almost a specific. This, however, should be carried out only by a competent veterinarian. It should also be considered that a single injection of this preparation costs from $15 to $20, and its use is therefore advisable only for the treatment of valuable animals.

FARMING IN ALASKA.

That Alaska is capable of developing a considerable agriculture has been fully demonstrated by the practical experience of farmers and gardeners in the Territory, as well as by the Government agricultural experiment stations which have been maintained for a number of years at Sitka, Fairbanks, Rampart, and Kodiak. Successful farming everywhere is largely dependent upon favorable weather conditions, but, as a recent report of the agricultural experiment stations in Alaska points out, "in these northerly latitudes the weather plays a much more important role in the life of the farmer than it does in the States. The season is short at best, and when it is still further shortened by early fall frosts, or, what is equally disastrous, by much cloudy and wet weather during the season when crops should mature, the results are naturally unsatisfactory." Nevertheless, the report shows that in normal seasons, and even in bad seasons like that of 1914, with the exercise of foresight and resourcefulness, a considerable variety of field crops, fruits, vegetables, and ornamental plants can be grown.

Among the crops that have been successfully grown in the Territory are various cereals, especially Siberian varieties of wheat, rye, barley, and oats, as well as buckwheat, clover, potatoes, turnips, radishes, carrots, onions, chives, cabbage, cauliflower, Brussels sprouts, kale, corn salad, endive, cress, parsley, lettuce, celery, horseradishes, rhubarb, currants, raspberries, gooseberries, strawberries and other fruits, and hardy roses and other ornamentals of great variety and beauty. In fact, the report characterizes Alaska as "a land of flowers," and states that "some of the most beautiful flower gardens can be seen about Fairbanks every season." For gardens in this vicinity, however, the growth of only the hardy varieties of easy culture, such as sweet peas, pansies, pinks, asters, poppies, marigolds, daisies, and a few others, is recommended. In other parts of Alaska where the climatic conditions are less severe a larger choice is available.

CLEANING UP THE PLAGUE.

There was issued from the Office of the Secretary, under date of July 5, a special notice regarding foot-and-mouth disease, addressed to farmers, cattle owners, cattle dealers, and to county and state live stock sanitary officers for the purpose of enlisting their further effective co-operation for measures that will assist in keeping the foot and mouth disease under control.

The notice states that it is highly important that the hopefulness of the situation shall not lead to carelessness or pnwarranted disregard of the seriousness of this most contagious of animal diseases, and if every one will exercise a little patience as to necessary quarantine regulations and will co-operate heartily with the State and Federal authorities, it may be possible to say in the near future that the United States has been entirely freed from this plague, which so seriously threatened our great live stock industry.

The following excerpts from the notice are of special interest and importance:

As long as sporadic outbreaks continue to occur the epidemic which first made its appearance in Michigan in 1914 can not be considered as entirely over. Carelessness may now undo the work of eight months and force the country to face once more the greatest danger that has ever threatened its live stock. By the immediate slaughter of all animals known to have been exposed to the infection, by the thorough disinfection of all premises and articles that might harbor the contagion, by the imposition of Federal and State quarantines, and by close inspection of cattle for shipment, the disease has been brought under control. These measures must be persisted in, however, until the last atom of infection has been destroyed beyond a doubt.

Farmers and stockmen may be inconvenienced by the quarantines whic convenienced by the quarantines which restrict and regulate the movement of their stock. The necessity for these regulations can not be realized until the extreme contagiousness of the disease is understood. Once a single animal in a herd gets foot and mouth disease, or where an infected animal is introduced into a clean herd, every animal in that herd is almost sure to contract it. Cattle, swine, sheep, and goats are the chief sufferers, but the disease may be conveyed not only by them but by any article which has come into contact, no matter how indirectly, with an infected animal. Men, women, and children may carry the contagion on their shoes, clothing, and hands. Dogs, cats, rats, chickens, and pigeons may pick it up from the ground and carry it to another farm. Raw skim milk may transmit the disease, and hay and manure may easily be infected and made dangerous. In many cases farmers who have been induced by curiosity to inspect their neighbor's stricken herd have carried the contagion back with them to their own stock.

In short, the foot and mouth disease is the most contagious of all known animal diseases. To be effective against it, a quarantine must be not only proportionately strict but it must be continued until all danger of spreading the disease has passed. A quarantine that is lifted too soon is as useless as one that is not enforced.

Not only live stock, but such articles as hides, hoofs, skins, hair, horns, hay, straw and similar fodder, manure, litter, etc., may convey the contagion. In consequence, the exportation of such articles without previous disinfection is prohibited in the exposed and closed areas. In the case of animal products, however, taken from animals before August, 1914, and stored since that date away from all live stock, shipment without disinfection is permitted on affidavit that these conditions have been complied with. Hay and straw, harvested before this date east of the Mississippi and before October west of the Mississippi and stored in places away from live stock and not within five miles of any premised infected with the disease, also may be shipped on the same conditions. Other hay and straw must be first disinfected with formalin gas.

Experience in this and previous epidemics has shown conclusively that these precautions are necessary to prevent the disease being carried from one section of the country to another, just as local quarantines are necessary to prevent its sweeping through the herds of a county as smallpox used to sweep through cities. Where the people have realized this, the loss has been confined to comparatively small proportions; where it has not been realized and the temporary inconvenience caused by the quarantine has caused laxity in their enforcement, the loss has been crushing.

It is not, however, so much a matter of the present as of the future. If the disease were once to gain the foothold here that it has abroad, eradication would be an impossibility and the stock interests of the country would lose far more each year than it will cost to suppress this epidemic. In Germany in 1911 it was calculated that one out of seven animals susceptible to the disease was suffering from it. Under such circumstances the slaughter o fexposed herds becomes an impossibility and the disease remains a chronic drain upon the resources of the country, as the price is too great to pay for freedom from such a calamity.

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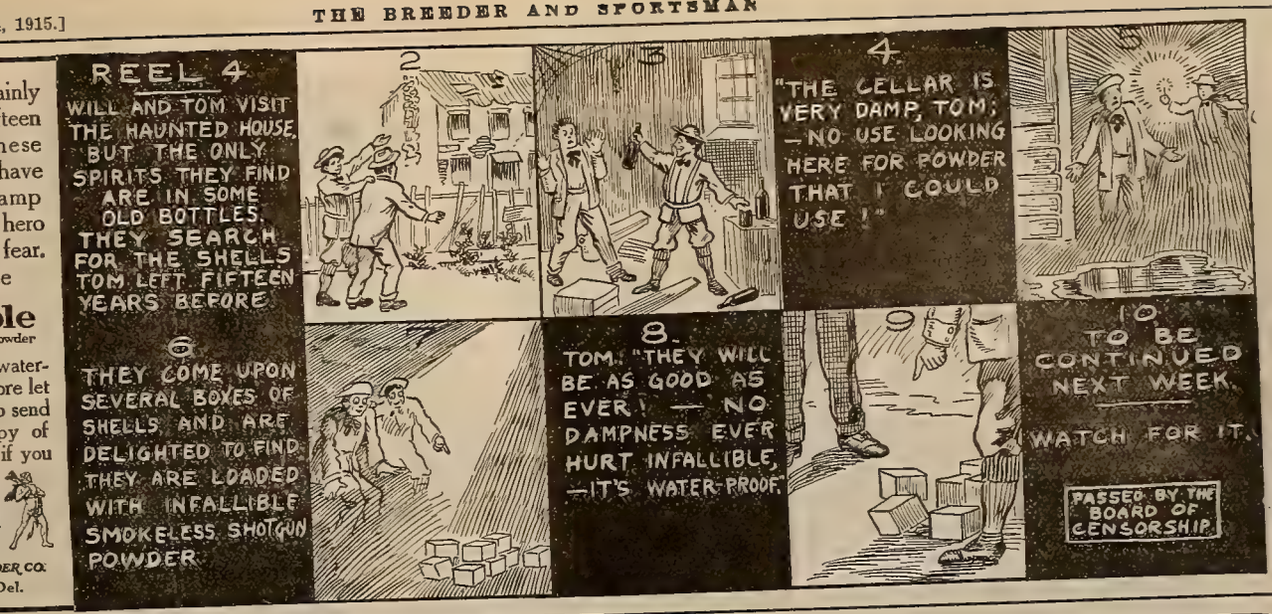
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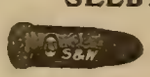
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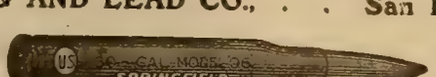
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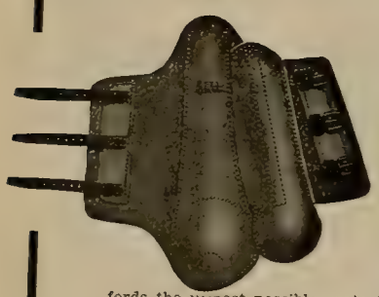
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MEETINGS TO COME

CALIFORNIA AND ARIZONA POINTS.

FERNDALE (Humboldt County Fair)	Sept. 6-10
FRESNO (Fresno District Fair)	Sept. 28-Oct. 2
RIVERSIDE (Riverside District Fair)	Oct. 5-9
SAN FRANCISCO (P.-P. I. E.)	Oct. 30-Nov. 13
PHOENIX (Arizona State Fair)	Nov. 15-20

NORTH PACIFIC FAIR AND RACING ASS'N.

VANCOUVER, WASH.	Beginning Sept. 6
SPOKANE, Wash.	Beginning Sept. 13
WALLA WALLA, WASH.	Beginning Sept. 13
HELENA, MONT.	Beginning Sept. 20
NORTH YAKIMA, WASH.	Beginning Sept. 20
VICTORIA, B. C.	Beginning Sept. 20
SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH.	Beginning Sept. 27
SALEM, OREGON	Beginning Sept. 27
MISSOULA, MONT.	Beginning Sept. 28

GREAT WESTERN CIRCUIT.

HAMLINE, MINN.	Sept. 6-11
MILWAUKEE, WIS.	Sept. 13-18
SPRINGFIELD, ILL.	Sept. 20-25
SEDALIA, MO.	Sept. 27-Oct. 2
MUSKOGEE, OKLA.	Oct. 4-9
PHOENIX, ARIZ.	Nov. 15-20

GRAND CIRCUIT.

HARTFORD, CONN.	Sept. 6-11
SYRACUSE, N. Y.	Sept. 13-18
COLUMBUS, O.	Sept. 20-Oct. 2
LEXINGTON, KY.	October 4-16

WOODLAND STOCK FARM ACHIEVES A NEW WORLD'S RECORD AT LEXINGTON.

ANSELOT (1) 2:28½

Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½ — Dexter Prince 11363 — Kentucky Prince 2470, by Clark Chief 89. / Lady Dexter, by Hambletonian 10,

Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½ — Woodflower — Ansel 2:20, by Electioneer 125. / Mayflower 2:30½, by St. Clair 16675.

Lottie Whippleton 2:15 — San Diego 8776 — Alcona Clay 2756, by Alcona 730. / Fontana, by Almont 33.

Dam of Lottie Ansel (2) 2:14¼, Ruth Ansel (3) 2:21, Anselot...(1) 2:28½ — Prince Lot...2:07¾ — Flora B. — Whippleton 1883, by Hamb. Jr. 1882.

In all of the statistical tables of world's records, not only in the various horse journals but in the Year Book as well, there has been a vacant place of long standing—the place in the compilation that should contain the name of the champion yearling trotting gelding. There has, of course, been this most excellent reason for the vacancy—the simple fact that to the best of our knowledge and belief no yearling gelding had ever trotted to a standard record.

Now, however, the table has been rounded out, and to California comes the honor of having produced the new champion, the first of his class, and Californians will not begrudge the fortune that has fallen to that one of her most prominent present-day breeders, John W. Considine of Woodland Stock Farm. The Prince Ansels have been working fast this season, and it occasioned slight surprise Wednesday when the Breeder and Sportsman received telegraphic advice from Mr. Considine to the effect that Anselot had taken a world's record of 2:28½ at Lexington in Hunter Moody's hands. In the first forms of the paper, already on its way to the press, we had included a short clipping from an eastern exchange telling of a recent mile in 2:30 by this youngster, so we were pretty well prepared to learn of the faster work, our preparedness, however, making the news none the less welcome.

Anselot is a native son, and as a glance over the accompanying brief tabulation of his pedigree will show is not a "scratch champion," having been preceded by a brother and two sisters of very high class—Prince Lot 2:07¾, Lottie Ansel (2) 2:14¼ and Ruth Ansel (2) 2:28½, (3) 2:21, Lottie Ansel holding the Pacific Coast record for two-year-old trotting fillies, as well as the season record for the age, gait and sex in 1912.

Anselot was one of the growthiest of last year's crop of foals at Woodland Stock Farm, being, at the time of the writer's visit in November, about the huskiest of all the young Prince Ansels. With the other weanlings he was put through the kindergarten stages of breaking and training by Messrs. Dowling and Maben, and while not as "oily" a trotter as Anselila, who was one of the most generally admired little ladies on the place, he had a good deal of reach and determination. Mr. Considine's faith in Prince Ansel has never wavered since his purchase some three years ago, and last fall he announced his intention of sending a number of weanlings to Lexington to be taken in hand by that highly successful colt trainer, Hunter Moody, just in order to show the easterners that the west still breeds early speed.

The Woodland contingent came in for a great deal of favorable mention by the Blue Grass correspondents immediately after their arrival, and the longer they were there the better they were liked. Anselila there, as here, was one of the most highly regarded of the lot and showed speed of a record nature some time since, but it remained for others who came more slowly to precede her into duly recorded fame. Anselot has been handled carefully and slowly, on account of his growth, but has come very fast of late, with fractional portions of the mile at rates which, if sustained, would put at his mercy all yearling records regardless of sex.

Nor were the activities of Mr. Moody with the Prince Ansels confined to the champion alone, as Verbena Ansel, out of Verbena Mac by Directum Spier 2:11¼, achieved a record on the same occasion of 2:26, she being the first performer from a daughter of this young sire. Mr. Moody also drove Suldine to a two-year-old record of 2:12, so that it was quite a pleasant day for the Considine Stable. Later in the season there will undoubtedly be more honors to fall to its lot, as its inmates have the quality in well-demonstrated quantities. A yearling championship and the season's record filly, for the track at the Blue Grass speed center, is a pretty fair day for a starter.

Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½ and Lottie Whippleton 2:15 are still at Woodland Stock Farm, hale and hearty, and that many future honors may and will come to both is the hope and belief of the many friends of their owner in all portions of the land.



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GEORGE GANO 2:10¾ UNDER SADDLE.

The many friends of M. W. Savage here in the west will learn with pleasure that on last Thursday, September 2, the stallion George Gano made a further reduction in the world's record to saddle, reducing his own former mark to 2:10¾ over the track at Madison, Wisconsin. Some weeks ago the Breeder and Sportsman intimated that the fast son of Gambetta Wilkes should place the saddle record in 2:10 or better, and it looks now as though the opinion was well grounded.

There is a chance that horse lovers on the Pacific coast may have an opportunity of seeing Gano hang up some new records at this way of going at the fall meeting of the P.-P. I. E., as Mr. Savage is now in correspondence with the proper officials with the view of making two flights against the watch some time between October 30 and November 13. Mr. Savage's wide acquaintance, the popularity of Dan Patch and his stable mates and the aggressive advertising campaigns that precede any special performances by representatives of the International 1:55 Horse Farm always insure good crowds on such occasions. The presence of Gano in trials for a new world's record would prove a great drawing power at the exposition track, and we are very much in hope that steps will be taken to close the deal for his appearance at least twice.

ARTHUR THOMAS RESIGNS.

Owing to the impending change of ownership of the Horseman and Spirit of the Times, Arthur C. Thomas has resigned from the editorial desk of that publication and has accepted a position with one of the more prominent "allied industries," the nature of which will shortly be announced, the new duties to be assumed October first.

Arthur Thomas is one of the younger generation of turf writers and "business-horsemen," but one of the best known, his active connection with the harness horse for the last decade having won him friends in many corners and out-of-the-way places of the world as well as down the big line. In the time during which he has been editor of the Horseman that publication regained much of the ground it had lost in the horse world, took on a "new lease of life" and became again an up-to-the-minute, highly readable journal. The future proprietors of the Horseman will have to "go some" if they procure a better man than "A. C." for editor, and his new employers are to be congratulated on getting the services of one of the real "live wires" of the business.

A Little Story of Geraldine

The Old Queen of Sprinters for Whom the Geraldine Handicap is Named

Now that the thoroughbred seems to have a chance to "come into his own" again here in the state where he so long reigned supreme, it takes very little indeed to start any one of a number of the veterans of bygone days who are on hand at the present "hostilities" on a trial against the watch in a reminiscent way. Not one of the famous stakes of the past but has been raced over in the daily gatherings of late, from the morning assemblages "on the rail" to the nightly gatherings at the down town clubs and loafing places of the fraternity. Every day something transpires that reminds somebody—or several somebodies—of such and such a time when so-and-so beat so-and-so at a certain distance, and before that race is well over and the horses cooled out and in the straw, some other event is on with a vengeance. Sure, and racing 'em over on the jawbone circuit is one of the grandest little outdoor or indoor sports that ever came over the divide. Without it, racing would lose half its charm.

Of the many things that start the flow of memory, however, none has been more productive of real, hot after dinner racing than the staging of the Geraldine Handicap on Labor Day, for many a tale centers about the chestnut mare that carried the cherry of the Maltese Stable to victories and world's records over a score of years ago. For ten long years did Geraldine right worthily uphold the honor of California on tracks from the Atlantic to the Pacific, and in choosing a name for their feature sprint at their inaugural meeting, the officials of the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association have shown themselves to be horsemen of heart, and at the same time have paid eloquent tribute where tribute is due.

Geraldine was foaled in the spring of 1885 at the Maltese Villa Stock Farm of R. Porter Ashe, and was a daughter of Grinstead and Cousin Peggy, by Woodburn. Early in life she was taken in hand by Mike Kelly, making her debut in the California Stakes at the spring meeting at the Bay District track in her two-year-old form, being beaten merely a short head by Pocatello. A week later she earned the brackets for the first time, galloping home at six to one over a field of nine, four of whom had been preferred to her in the betting. Out of four starts at that meeting at the Bay District course she was twice winner, won two events at Sacramento, one a walkover, and then made the first of her numerous long trips to the classic courses of the east. After varying success in her earlier starts at Saratoga, she won her first large event in the Sapphire Stakes at twelve to one, and later on at Brooklyn annexed the Prospect Stakes, worth $2,500 to the winner, at a much longer price, beating the good Emperor of Norfolk and a number of others. Back home in the fall she won the Ladies' Stake and went into winter quarters with a record of eight wins out of fifteen starts.

As a three-year-old she made but a short campaign, heading the result tables in two out of five races and hanging up the season's record for five furlongs at Bay District, covering the distance in 1:01½. The following season she contested in over a score of fast events, carrying a burden of 122 pounds to a record of :46 at the halfmile at the course of the New York Jockey Club, and running the fourth fastest mile of the season here at home, 1:40¼. She had hard sledding as a five-year-old, as she was first in but one race out of nine—but there was a reason. She was racing against the pick of the land, and was beaten by only such horses as Tenny, Tipstaff, Eon, Blue Rock, Civil Service, with whom she ran a dead heat at a halfmile in :48½ at Brooklyn, and August Belmont's great colt Fides, whom she forced to run the three-quarter mile Toboggan Slide Handicap at New York in the record time of 1:10¼ to beat her.

These accomplishments would have been enough for many an excellent horse, but Geraldine was not yet through tampering with the table of best performances. The following season she carried the featherweight Sullivan over six and a half furlongs here, late in the year, in 1:19 3-5, and in January, 1893, traveled the four and a half furlongs at the Oakland track in the record time of :54.

Such, in brief, were the more noteworthy performances of the lass that was the idol of California race goers in the late eighties and early nineties. For ten years in a row she never missed going to the races, making from four starts to fifty-one, and not until her last year on the turf, at the age of eleven, did she fail to earn the brackets. In all, she participated in one hundred and eighty-seven events, sixty-nine of which she won, a truly wonderful demonstration of thoroughbred quality.

Like many other noted performers, Geraldine was an "individualist" of a very pronounced type. She was a mare of wonderful sensitiveness, and, if such a word can be applied to a dumb animal—and in the writer's opinion it most certainly can be used with all propriety—conscientious to an extreme. What she knew about racing would fill a big book, could it have been told, and there was a vast difference between Geraldine, the winner, and Geraldine, the loser. She knew exactly whether or not she had made good in a race. When she brought home the bacon it took all hands and the cook to bandage her, cool her out and "lay her away" properly, as she was ever in high spirits on such an occasion. Let her be headed to the wire by another horse, however, and by her actions she showed plainly that she knew just what the defeat meant to the stable, as she would stand docilely, almost despondently, while the boys did the work on her legs and put her away. With her next win she would be in mood to celebrate, and until the very last year of her career she never failed to "come back" after a defeat.

She had one pronounced peculiarity that was the source of a good deal of amusement to the boys and visitors to the stable, and of numerous dinners for her owner—she utterly and absolutely refused to have anything to do with an apple. No patience or coaxing could induce her to take the slightest nibble at the choicest apple ever raised, east or west, and when unbelievers tried to feed her fruit of this nature she would stand with her head out of the stall door and assume an air of utter indifference, as though bored by the whole proceeding. In her mind's eye she doubtless was picturing a scene that suited her right down to the ground, a big patch of — give you three guesses and bet that you lose — ripe tomatoes! Of all things that the good Lord in his wisdom put on earth for human or equine consumption, the tomato occupied first place in Geraldine's estimation, and if that dainty was to be had by any hook or crook there was always a basket somewhere around the stable especially for her. She had her many friends and was fond of visitors, but the one way to her real regard was by the tomato feeding route.

It is most fitting that her name should be perpetuated in turf annals by a stake named in her honor, for she left no descendants to help keep her memory green in the minds of the present and coming generations, who are more prone to forget things of this nature than were our forebears. When she was finally retired from racing she was sent to join the band of matrons at A. B. Spreckels' Napa Stock Farm, but she was not destined to achieve fame as a producer, misfortune and death overtaking her early in her career at Napa. In 1899 she gave successful birth to the chestnut colt Geraldyn by St. Carlo, but died in travail the ensuing season, the foal also sharing the mother's fate, leaving the St. Carlo youngster the sole hope of the line. Misfortune was his lot, also, wiping out the strain. He passed at an early age into the ownership of the late "Jack" Follansbee, in whose colors he won a five and a half furlong event at Saratoga as a two-year-old, well backed by his owner and friends at ten to one. Sickness broke out among the horses at Saratoga and the colt became its victim, emerging alive but permanently affected in wind and lung, passing, after a few unsuccessful races, into obscurity.

What a pity the old heroine of Maltese Villa Farm could not have lived to transmit her qualities to others.

And so we say, all honor to good old Geraldine, and long life to the Geraldine Handicap. May it become an annual fixture in California's future turf program, and if its winners approach in quality the famous mare in whose honor it is named, the spectators will have the full satisfaction of knowing they have seen a great race, well run, well won.

STADIUM TRACK HAS NEW TWO-HEAT RECOR

The free-for-all pace of some two weeks ago at th Stadium in which Bondalean paced one heat in 2:(was a mighty fast little old fun race, but last Su day's free-for-all was still faster, the time for the tw heats constituting a new record for the track i Golden Gate Park. Dick W. and Little Bernice, tw of the contenders in the race first mentioned, wer present Sunday with their pacing clothes on, bu were forced to give precedence to little Vera Ha fresh from her victory over San Jacinto at Ventur Vera assumed the lead from the start of the firs heat, winning by a good margin over Dick W. i 2:07½, Little Bernice going to a break in the stretch In the second heat the game little daughter of Ex pressive Mac had to stand a hard drive to stave of the rush of Little Bernice, who kept her feet an closed gamely. The Cohen mare was just as game and won under the whip in 2:08½, a fast race for a fun race over a three-quarter mile track.

Happy Dentist took the 2:12 pacers into camp i two nice miles in which Emma M. and Mabel Dillo took turns in driving him out, and Jack Kramer's Palitea trimmed Tom Murphy and G. J. P. two in a row. Matawan cut out the early pace in both heats o the free-for-all trot, but faded when collared by Miss San Francisco, who trotted her first mile in 2:15½ and the second in 2:19. King Pointer and Hamburg Belle furnished the real thrill of the afternoon in the 2:15 pace, only the King's long head and neck enabling him to win the final duel in the stretch. Trophies for the day were provided by the club and their friends, the prizes including complimentary remembrances from C. A. Sweigert, T. I. Fitzpatrick, Ed I. Wolfe and the Claremont Hotel.

The matinee tomorrow promises good sport, as all the local regulars are in good trim and the fields will also have entries from the stables of those good sportsmen from Sacramento, Harry Cowell and Charley Silva. Sunday's summaries follow:

First race—2:12 pace:

Happy Dentist	(J. J. Ryan)	1	1
Emma M.	(Wm. Malough)	2	3
Mabel Dillon	(B. Cohen)	3	2
Pointer Belle	(Kidd & Luce)	4	4

Time—2:12½, 2:13¾.

Second race—2:18 pace:

Palitea	(Jack Kramer)	1	1
Tom Murphy	(E. T. Ayres)	2	2
G. J. P.	(R. Consani)	3	3

Time—2:16½, 2:17. Scratched—Cookey.

Third race—Free-for-all pace:

Vera Hal	(H. Cohen)	1	1
Dick W.	(A. Ottinger)	2	3
Little Bernice	(J. C. Welch)	4	2
Bradmont	(G. J. Giannini)	3	4

Time—2:07½, 2:08½.

Fourth race—Free-for-all trot:

Miss San Francisco	(Al Schwartz)	1	1
Matawan	(H. Cohen)	2	3
St. Patrick	(J. J. Ryan)	3	2
Ateka	(B. Cohen)	4	w

Time—2:15½, 2:17.

Fifth race—2:15 pace:

King Pointer	(H. Campodonico)	1	1
Hamburg Belle	(J. Ginocchio)	2	2
Zorankin	(F. Callea)	3	3
Jack	(McDonnell-Conlan)	4	4
Senator H.	(J. M. Kidd)	5	5

Time—2:14, 2:14.

SPRECKELS YEARLINGS SELL READILY.

Twenty-three thoroughbred yearlings from Napa Stock Farm, the famous speed nursery of A. B. Spreckels of this city, were sold at auction last Thursday, September second, in the paddocks at Belmont Park, New York, the youngsters going into good hands at good prices, the consignment averaging $382 a head. Plohn, the chestnut brother to Nolli, topped the sale, going to the Northwood Stable at a bid of $2,000. The offerings were the get of Voorhees, Solitaire II. and Dr. Lecco, the various individuals selling as follows:

Plohn, ch c by Vorhees—Nanna; Northwood Stable	$2,000
Cruces, ch c by Voorhees—Chiffis; J. MacManus	800
Angorta, blk f by Dr. Leggo—Priceless Jewel; S. L. Parsons	800
Positan, b c by Solitaire II.—Bremerhafen; J. MacManus	750
Savilla, ch f by Solitaire II.—Salvatrix; J. MacManus	650
Barry, b c by Voorhees—Irama; G. M. Odom	375
Onunda, b f by Dr. Leggo—Lady Atheling; Northwood Stable	375
Tarvee, ch c by Dr. Leggo—Micco; W. Garth	305
Dyson, b c by Dr. Leggo—Napa Girl; W. Sheedy	325
Harper, ch c by Voorhees—Gaviota; W. Sheedy	300
Cobale, br or blk f by Dr. Leggo—Georgia Girl; G. Preece	300
Brobeck, b c by Dr. Leggo—Princess Alma; J. Powers	300
Lantana, ch f by Dr. Leggo—The Peeress; G. Preece	275
Alvord, b c by Solitaire II.—Lily Golding; W. P. Burch	250
Cleome, b f by Dr. Leggo—Norinne; E. A. Cantina	250
Zinnia, b f by Voorhees—Emir; W. H. Robinson	225
Hanan, b c by Dr. Leggo—Yorba; G. Preece	225
Lobelia, b f by Dr. Leggo—Othale; W. Garth	200
Galala, b f by Solitaire II.—Alma Dale; P. Sheridan	200
Burbank, b c by Dr. Leggo—Coma; G. Preece	200
Ayers, b c by Dr. Leggo—Guerara; Stewart Preece	175
Rienva, b f by Dr. Leggo—Pourquoi; J. K. Frayling	175
Manomet, b c by Dr. Leggo—Zafra; E. A. Cantina	100

Bob Sebastian and Hal McKinney continue to make quite a team. At Lincoln, on Tuesday, as a feature of the day's program of the Nebraska State Fair, the California sidewheeler met Columbia Fire, the Nebraska kingpin, in a special event in which honors fell to the invaders from this side of the big divide. Incidentally a new race record was hung up for the two lap course over which the contest was staged, the fastest heat being paced in 2:07¾.

Thoroughbreds Draw Well

Inaugural Meeting of G. G. T. B. A. Goes Merrily on at Exposition Track

LAST DAY AT EMPIRE CITY PARK.

New York, Sept. 3.—Over a track that was the fastest that has graced the present meeting, the track stake pacers of the big line came together here today and again Hal Boy was a near winner, being first or second in each heat of the hot contest. Wily Pop Geers and Russell Boy were too much for the westerners in the long run, and Single G. was never but once better than third. The first three heats were all better than 2:05, and the time and character of the contest made up in a large measure for the disappointments of earlier in the week.

Marse Ed kept his winning clothes on in the 2:10 trot also, the good four-year-old lad St. Frisco being fast enough to outtrot Mirthful and game enough to outlast her in a merry five-heater, all heats in ten or better. Both in this event and the pace Pop had close finishes decided against him, and had the crowd with him throughout the afternoon. Trampright, from the Murphy stable, took the 2:15 trot after dropping the first heat to Roy Miller, the fastest time being 2:11¼. The summary:

New York, September 3.—The Broadway, 2:08 pace, purse $2,000:

Russell Boy, b h by Rustic Patenter.(Geers)	2	1	1	4	1
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.....(McMahon)	1	2	2	1	2
Single G., b h by Anderson Wilkes (Gosnell)	3	4	4	2	3

Major Ong also started.
Time—2:04¾, 2:04¼, 2:04¼, 2:07, 2:08.

2:15 trot, purse $1,000:

Trampright, b m by Trampfast.....(Murphy)	6	1	1	1	
Roy Miller, b h by Bingara.....(Grady)	1	2	5	5	
Vallette, ch m by Mobel.....(Coburn)	2	3	2	3	

W. J. Leyburn, Blue Feather, Kitty L., Bettini and Henry F. also started.
Time—2:12¼, 2:11¼, 2:11½, 2:13½.

2:10 trot, purse $1,000:

St. Frisco, b h by San Francisco....(Geers)	1	2	2	1	1
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen.... .....(Murphy)	5	1	1	2	3
McCloskey, b g by Theodosius..(McDonald)	3	3	3	5	2

Parcliffe, Dick Watts and The Zombro Belle also started.
Time—2:07¾, 2:07¼, 2:09¼, 2:07¾, 2:10.

CHARTER OAK IS TAME AFFAIR.

Hartford, Conn., Sept. 6.—Only twice in its history has the Charter Oak stake been raced for as small a sum as five thousand dollars, but those present at the famous local course today were of the opinion that five thousand bucks was all the race was worth, and then some. In the first place, only four of the dozen trotters eligible put in appearance when the starters were called, and in the second place there seemed to be but one real trotter in the quartette, Tommy Murphy's high priced Peter Scott. Bonington trotted two steady heats, but a break in the third cost him his chance for second money.

Margot Hal made a good beginning in the 2:08 pace, taking the first heat in the respectable time of 2:05, but spoiled things by a three-eighths of a mile run in the second which caused the judges to declare her distanced, Queen Abbess winning on out with John R. Hal her best company. McDonald had better luck in the 2:13 trot, winning handily with Laramie Lad from Loe Blossom. The summary:

Hartford, Conn., Sept. 6.—2:08 pace, purse $1,000:

Queen Abbess, br m by The Abbe.....(Cox)	2	1	1	1	
John R. Hal, b h by John R. Gentry.(Crozier)	4	2	2	2	
Ben Locanda, b h by Locanda.....(Murphy)	3	3	3	3	

Margot Hal, Elisha J. and Hal Connor also started.
Time—2:05¼, 2:06, 2:09¾, 2:08¾.

The Charter Oak, 2:08 trot, purse $5,000:

Peter Scott, br h by Peter the Great...(Murphy)	1	1	1		
Worthy Prince, b h by Prince McKinney..(Cox)	3	2	2		
Bonington, ch h by Bellini.....(Geers)	2	3	4		
Duchess, ro m by Allerteen.....(McDonald)	4	4	3		

Time—2:09, 2:07¾, 2:07.

2:18 trot, purse $2,000:

Laramie Lad, b g by Master Bo.....(McDonald)	1	1	1		
Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide.....(Floyd)	2	2	2		
Audrey Grey, br m by Guy Axworthy.....(Fox)	3	3	5		

Todd McGregor, Brook King, Mary Guy and Bonnie Setzer also started.
Time—2:10½, 2:08¾, 2:09½.

Second Day at Hartford.

Hartford, Sept. 7.—While the Charter Oak yesterday was a tame and featureless affair that failed to arouse the spectators to any high degree of enthusiasm, the 2:10 pace today had almost enough thrill in it for two races and gave the crowd an excellent run for its money.

Predictions have been freely made that Hal Boy, with an experienced Grand Circuit driver up behind him, would be the boss of the stake pacers, but the prophecy has yet to be made good, as Senor Ricardo McMahon has not yet succeeded in putting him over in enough heats to head a summary. Today the little western wiggler speared the first heat in 2:05¼ in a very close finish with Russell Boy, and then went into temporary retirement insofar as being a serious contender was concerned, the next two heats going to the Ohio pacer, Judge Ormonde, with Russell right after him all the time. Hal Boy finished behind the bloody banner in the third heat, but the judges placed him after Messrs. McMahon and Murphy made a trip to the stand and convinced them that his bad showing was the result of unintentional interference on the part of Murphy and Peter Farren.

The fourth heat was the hair raiser and the methods of Charley Valentine led to the elimination of the Ohio entry from the contest. Twice during the mile Russell Boy was seen to challenge the Judge for the lead unsuccessfully, the Boy being in second position and Ormonde on the pole, and just before reaching the wire Valentine's horse again swerved out, winning by a head. Mr. Geers, upon return to the wire, entered a protest, stating that he had been carried out each time that he endeavored to take the lead,

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Twelfth Day—Friday, September 3.

First race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $300: Davies & Sieman's bl h Custom House (4) by Joe Carey—Ellen Atkins, 111 lbs., (Donovan) won easily; Finnigan (aged), 108, second; La Cazadora (6), 108, third; Mary Emily, Aunt Elsie, Ida Pinack, Briton, McAlan, Jake Argent also ran. Time, 1:08 1-5.

Second race—Five furlongs, selling, two-year-olds, purse $300: California Stable's b c Toastmaster by Hastings—Toscana, 108 lbs., (Gross) won driving; Bas Blancs, 107, second; Laughing Water, 97, third; Lola, Von Lady and Ojita also ran. Time, 1:02 4-5.

Third race—One mile, selling, purse $300: W. C. Weant's b g Brando (6) by Orlando—Alice Brand, 108 lbs., (Taplin) won driving; Henry Walbank (aged), 108, second; Gano (4), 103, third; Tom Chapman, Cantem, Fairly, Commendation and Gimli also ran.

Fourth race—Five furlongs, Army, Navy and Marine Corps Officers' race, cups to first and second: Lieut. Chas. Burnett's ch g Vive Le Roi (aged), 160 lbs., (Lieut. Stevenson) won easily; Nobax (aged), 169, (Lieut. Kobbe) second; Joe (4), 162, (Lieut. McNally) third; Lady, Fog Horn and Buffalo also ran. Time, 1:07.

Fifth race—One mile, selling, purse $300: W. Fenwick's b g Southern Gold (aged) by Gold Heels—Southern Girl, 108 lbs., (O'Brien) won driving; Bunny (3), 97, second; Sleepland, Rhodes and Hannis also ran. Time, 1:42 2-5.

Sixth race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $300: J. Randolph's ch m Princess Industry (aged) by Farandole—Work, 102 lbs., (Gentry) won driving; Acumen (aged), 115, second; John Hurie (5), 115, third; Delaney, Loan Shark, Pro Realis and Quantity also ran. Time, 1:14 2-5.

Thirteenth Day—Saturday, September 4.

First race—Five furlongs, selling, purse $250: N. K. Moody's b m Azurea (aged) by Joe Carey—Admit, 109 lbs., (Frach) won driving; Bill York (6), 108, second; Moller (5), 110, third; Teeto, Arrowshaft, Otto Kahn, Zamloch, Breezer, Wernras and Milton Barber also ran. Time, 1:01 4-5.

Second race—Five furlongs, two-year-olds, purse $300: George Van Gorden's ch g Carl Roberts by General Roberts—Janice Marian, 110 lbs., (Kirschbaum) won easing up; Robert Lee, 113, (Gross) second; Schulenburg, 110, third; Frisky unseated rider after the break and did not finish. Time, 1:03 1-5.

Third race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $300: J. Randolph's br g Minco Jimmie (6) by Bonnie Joe—Mary Hill, 110 lbs., (Gentry) won easily; Tight Boy (5), 118, second; Madelle (5), 115, third; Cecil, Angelus, Boggy Johnson, Helen Hawkins and Quantity also ran. Time, 1:14 3-5.

Fourth race—One mile and an eighth, President's Cup handicap, value $1,185: John Lowe's ch g Brynlimah (5) by Bryn Mawr—Notlimah, 110 lbs., (O'Brien) won driving; Rash (aged), 106, second; John Graham (aged), 106, third; Be and Celesta also ran. Time, 1:52 3-5.

Fifth race—One mile, selling, purse $300: Freeman & Co.'s b g El Pato (6) by Conjuror—Pearl Barnes, 106 lbs., (Gentry) won in a gallop; Zoroaster (aged), 106, second; Transparent (aged), 111, third; Stolen Ante, Rey and Nannie McDee also ran. Time, 1:41.

Sixth race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $300: L. B. Wood's b m Frazzle (6) by Plaudit—Pleasant Girl, 118 lbs., (Taplin) won easily; Electrowan (aged), 118, second; Master Franklin (3), 111, third; Old Coin, Quick, Tordillo, Fred T. and Vespasian also ran. Time, 1:14 1-5.

Fourteenth Day—Monday, September 6.

First race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: Oklahoma Stable's b g Mintanka (5) by Jesse James—Laura Logan, 105 lbs., (Burns) won driving; Bill York (6), 98, second; Finnigan (aged), 105, third; Igloo, Lillian Ray, Quantity, Criterion, Flossie, Milton Barber and Camia also ran. Time, 1:08.

Second race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: W. C. Weant's b g Stelcliff (6) by Clifford—Amstel, 108 lbs., (O'Brien) won driving; Lady James (3), 101, second; Tallow Dip (aged), 104, third; Mark Kennedy, Diadi, Frances G., Bredwell and Chas. Goetz also ran.

Third race—Mile and a sixteenth, selling, purse $250: Chicago Stable's b g Cantem (aged) by Canopus—Trim, 108 lbs., (Burns) won driving; Pro Realis (6), 111, second; John Louis (aged), 111, third; Prince Conrad, Fort Johnson, Lone Star, L. M. Eckert, Tahoe and Bluebeard also ran. Time, 1:49 2-5.

Fourth race—Six furlongs, Geraldine Handicap, value $920: A. Caven's b m Orange Blossom (5) by Joe Carey—Princessa, 97 lbs., (McGraw) won driving; Scarlet Oaks (4), 120, second; Theodorita (4), 108, third; Seneca, Kootenay and Eureka also ran. Time, 1:13.

Fifth race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: Vancouver Stable's b g Moller (5) by Marta Santa—Arthesia, 110 lbs., (O'Brien), won driving; Merry Twinkle (3), 105, second; Tordillo (3), 103, third; Smoky Dan, Laura James, Renwar, Otto Kahn, Rhodes, Wernras, Bob Love, Emelda and Sunflower Belle also ran. Time, 1:15 2-5.

Sixth race—Mile and a sixteenth, selling, purse $250: A. Neal's b m Nebraska Lass (aged) by Highland Lad—Kitty Balile, 108 lbs., (Leeds) won handily; Ceos (4), 103, second; Henry Walbank (aged), 108, third; Tom Chapman, Gano, Fairly and Commendation also ran. Time, 1:47 4-5.

Fifteenth Day—Tuesday, September 7.

First race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: W. E. Cotton's b g McAlan (6) by The Commoner—Irresistible, 108 lbs., (Molesworth) won easily; Jake Argent (aged), 108, second; Auto Maid (6), 108, third; Norford Rose, Miss Sedalia, Sonoma, Ida, Helen Hawkins, Criterion, Teeto and Joe Busher also ran. Time, 1:07 3-5.

Second race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: J. Pelter's ch m Mary Emily (6) by Nasturtium—Highland Princess, 108 lbs., (Feeney) won in a canter; Master Franklin (3), 109, second; Delaney (aged), 108, third; Aunt Elsie, Charity Ward, La Cazadora, Miss Edith and Marie O'Brien also ran. Time, 1:07 2-5.

Third race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: H. C. Smith's ch m Vireo (5) by Mazagan—Nun's Cloth, 110 lbs., (Hawkins) won driving; Wasatch (4), 115, second; Light Knight (aged), 115, third; Loan Shark, Mandadero, Kid Nelson, Roscas, Delmas and Valadolid also ran. Time, 1:15 4-5.

Fourth race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: W. J. Dunn's ch h Tight Boy (5) by Serpent—Azuba, 118 lbs., (Washer) won easily; Frazzle (6), 115, second; Lady Young (6), 115, third; Quick, Acumen, Canapa and Hardy also ran. Time, 1:13 4-5.

Fifth race—Five furlongs, selling, purse $250: L. B. Wood's b g Sweetbait (4) by Fisher Boy—Cupboard Love, 116 lbs., (Taplin) won driving; The Feller (4), 116, second; Ann Tilly (5), 111, third; Apache Kid, Rag, Frank G. Hogan, Carondelet, Bally Beers, Make Good and Dominica also ran. Time, 1:01 4-5.

Sixth race—One mile, selling, purse $300: W. C. Weant's b g Brando (6) by Orlando—Alice Brand, 113 lbs., (Taplin) won driving; El Pato (6), 113, second; Conflagration (6), 108, third; Zoroaster, Transparent, Stolen Ante, Rey and Alda also ran. Time, 1:41 3-5.

Sixteenth Day—Wednesday, September 8.

First race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: L. Stone's ch m Jennie Crawford (5) by Albula—Marie Bolton, 110 lbs., (Brazal) won driving; Light Knight (aged), 115, second; Baby Lynch (3), 108, third; Lady St. Patrick, Zenotek, Choctaw, Old Coin, Bredwell and Gimli also ran. Time, 1:14 4-5.

Second race—Five and a half furlongs, maidens, purse $250: W. H. Ford's b g Tordillo (3) by Meelick—Marguerite R., 105 lbs., (Gross) won easily; Renwar (4), 112, second; Smoky Dan (4), 112, third; Lovins, Madam Darkness, Rhodes, Major's Daughter and Wernras also ran. Time, 1:09 2-5.

Third race—Four furlongs, S. F. Police Officers, service mounts, catchweights, purse $100, donated by Geo. Wingfield: Buster (Officer C. Budd) won driving; Martin (Of-



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ficer W. Lynott) second; Frank (Officer P. J. Smith) third; Percy, Panama, Tony, Bill and Babe also ran. Time, :55 1-5.

Fourth race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: J. Randolph's br g Leford (4) by Bonnie Joe—Lady Lee, 113 lbs., (Nolan) won driving; Diadi (4), 113, second; Azurea (5), 113, third; Lady James, Robert Mantell, Mark Kennedy, Moller and Tallow Dip also ran. Time, 1:07 3-5.

Fifth race—One mile, selling, purse $300: C. L. Stevenson's b m Madelle (5) by Sir Huon—Victoria B., 112 lbs., (Taplin) won easily; Transparent (aged), 112, second; Ora McGee, 107, third; Rey, Stolen Ante, Hannis and Eastman also ran. Time, 1:41 4-5.

Sixth race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: D. McDermid's br g Briton (aged) by Lithos—Lady Winkle, 108 lbs., (Kirschbaum) won easily; Kitty Stanfield (4), 108, second; Lofty Heywood (aged), 111, third; Chas. Goetz, Russell McGill, Lillian Ray, Anne McGee, Arrowshaft, Sir Barry and Definite also ran. Time, 1:08 1-5.

Seventh race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $300: J. Randolph's ch m Princess Industry (aged) by Farandole—Work, 110 lbs., (Nolan) won driving; Butter Ball (aged), 110, second; Thistle Belle (aged), 117, third; Miss Folly, Custom House, Darkey, Clint Tucker and Mammy also ran. Time, 1:13 4-5.

Seventeenth Day—Thursday, September 9.

First race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: W. J. Dunn's ch h Tight Boy (5) by Serpent—Azuba, 114 lbs., (Washer) won easily; Master Franklin (3), 107, second; Marta Mac (4), 114, third; Ida Pinack, Miss Tempo, La Cazadora, Flossie and Milton Barber also ran. Time, 1:07.

Second race—Five furlongs, Native Sons' purse, $200, for two-year-olds: Geo. Van Gorden's ch g Carl Roberts by Gen. Roberts—Janice Marian, 120 lbs., (Kirschbaum) won driving; Washoe Belle, 115, second; Aunt Sal, 120, third; Brooks also ran. Time, 1:02 2-5.

Third race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: Heppner Stable's b m Canapa (aged) by Canopus or Bedeck—Panapa, 115 lbs., (McGraw) won handily; Augustus Heinze (4), 115, second; John Hurie (5), 115, third; Hardy, Cecil, Roscas and Executor also ran. Time, 1:15.

Fourth race—Mile and a quarter, Golden Gate Handicap, value $1,395: John Lowe's ch g Brynlimah (5) by Bryn Mawr—Notlimah, 115 lbs., (Nolan) won driving; John Graham (aged), 107, second; Rash (aged), 107, third; Star Shooter also ran. Time, 2:06.

Fifth race—One mile, selling, purse $300: T. Hatfield's ch m Lady Young (6) by Henry Young—Masher, 108 lbs., (Brazal) won driving; Frazzle (6), 108, second; Christmas Eve (4), 108, third; Quick, Henry Walbank, Southern Gold, Electrowan, Lady M. M. and Delmas also ran. Time, 1:41.

Sixth race—Five and a half furlongs, Admission Day Handicap, purse $350: Tigue & Bussey's bl g Seneca (aged) by Disguise—Swiftfoot, 112 lbs., (Kirschbaum) won driving; Eureka (aged), 105, second; Orange Blossom (6), 108, third; Pajaroita, Kootenay, Theodorita and Headfort also ran. Time, 1:06 3-5.

Chantilly, premier stallion at El Palomar, had a nice representative in the five furlongs for two-year-olds Saturday, the first of the family to start at the present meeting. Bas Blancs (which can be freely translated as "White Sox") is the appropriate name under which the youngster parades, as he has the white trimmings all around well over the pasterns. He is an attractive scamp individually and with a bit of racing should make a good sort of a horse to take away from home, as he was barely beaten in his race Saturday by the more seasoned and experienced Hastings colt, Toastmaster.

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The first of the special events for gentlemen riders was staged Saturday afternoon, the five furlongs for army horses, ridden by officers of the army, navy or marine corps, and furnished the crowd considerable enjoyment. Lieutenant Stevenson, owner of a small but select stable participating in the regular events, was rather favored by those present for winning honors, and the crowd had things doped out about right, as the Tejano took his mount to the front for the whole route, which was traversed, officially, in 1:07, though many of the wrist watch clockers at the club house had it a couple of minutes faster. Buffalo, who finished a gallant last, was slow to get away and slower still to stop, as he insisted on a dash on around for the full route, Lieutenant Christian subduing his runaway ambitions in time to head him in at the paddock gate the second time down.

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George Van Gorden uncovered another good two-year-old of the General Roberts clan Saturday, Carl Roberts, winner of the five furlongs for that age. The race was marred by the bolting of Friskey after the break, his antics unseating Jockey Burns and interfering with Schulenburg quite seriously, there being "nothing to it" after the mishap save Carl Roberts. Even with Frisky a well behaved contender the Sacramento colt looked to have the legs of the party, as he won easing up and well within himself. There are those who say he is a better one than his former stable mate, Rose Marian.

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Brynlimah, the consistent five-year-old in John Lowe's stable, showed his heels to the best horses on the track Saturday in the President's Cup, traveling the nine furlong route in 1:52 3-5, closely followed by Rash, from the California Stable. Celesta, without doubt one of the very best mares in the land, was an odds-on favorite even with an extremely heavy impost, ran a good race under the circumstances but failed to figure in the money, considerably to the disappointment of many supporters. Carrying twenty-one pounds more on her back than any other horse in the race she bucked the back stretch wind out in the clear, assuming the lead before reaching the three-quarters and holding it until nearing the last eighth, when the lighter weighted contingent all passed her. High class she is, but no horse can reasonably be expected to tote an anvil over nine furlongs in especially startling fashion.

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Olin Gentry, who has been one of the most successful pilots at the meeting, has been sadly missed this week. Sunday morning while walking a horse in the stock stadium the animal got scared at a piece of wind-blown paper and lunged ahead with a kick, Gentry's arm getting the full force of the blow and breaking under the strain. The plucky youngster besought the doctors to "fix him up in a hurry as he just had to ride," but the Golden Gate meeting will be a thing of the past some time in advance of the day when he can swing full strength on a bridle rein.

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Monday—Labor Day—was a "big one," as the crowd on hand was nearly if not quite as large as on opening day, and the spectators had good runs for their money, as five of the six races were won in hard drives in which two to four horses figured, while the sixth race was one of "those kind" that come now and then to relieve the monotony of things. There were three features that stood out prominently to make the race remembered—the poor start, the curling up of Henry Walbank and the running of Nebraska Lass. Always uncertain at the post, the Lass was practically left when the word was given that started the field over the long route of a mile and a sixteenth, but Leeds "hung 'em into her" and took up the stern chase, which is always proverbially long. To make things look still worse for her, Henry Walbank opened up a lead that the whole German army could have marched through without inconveniencing either Henry or Ceos, his nearest competitor. Not until well past the half did the Lass pass even the laggard Fairly, but once straightened away to the wire she showed a rare burst of staying speed, overhauling the field and winning with a couple of lengths to spare over Ceos. Henry? Henry Walbank? You want to know about that bird? Easy—like this: He took O'Brien's stretch demands as full speed astern signals and backed up so hard and fast that he could only show by a nose!

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It isn't always the best horse that wins and this was the case in the feature sprint of the meeting, the Geraldine Handicap at six furlongs, raced on Labor Day. Under even conditions the race should have gone to Scarlet Oaks or Theodorita, probably the former, who was carrying 120 pounds to the 108 of Theodorita and the 97 of Orange Blossom. Seneca and Orange Blossom held the field at the post thirteen minutes, every one of which meant just so much taken out of the weight carriers. Then when the word was finally given, the Blossom, wheeled by an assistant starter, "lit running" and opened a lead of over two lengths from Seneca, Scarlet Oaks and Theodorita being the last away. Neither mare met with the best of luck in running and both closed wonderfully well, the long shot barely nosing out the "red 'un," with the chestnut girl only half a length away. Given a start without delay and a fair break at the gate the daughters of Dick Wells would easily have been one-two, with the odds a bit in favor of the Wingfield entry.

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The Neal Stable had a bunch of bad luck in the fifth race Tuesday. With Nebraska Lass romping home Monday in the long route, Norford Rose on the improve and Dominica rapidly getting on edge they looked to be in line for earning some money, but racing luck decreed otherwise, at least so far as Dominica is concerned. Carrying quite a bit of money on the nose the daughter of Alvescot forged to the front near the club house only to stumble and fall, spilling Leeds in front of the field, several horses hurdling him and leaving him unhurt save for the jar. Dominica got up and limped on down to the turn where she was pulled up, investigation revealing that her right front leg was broken at the ankle. She was a consistent mare when at herself and will be sorely missed by her owner.

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The ranks of the top jocks were again invaded Tuesday, this time by discipline. Starter Stevens gave O'Brien six days for misconduct at the post with Marie O'Brien, and when the boy failed to resist the temptation to "pop off" at Stevens' expense the six days were stretched to include the balance of the meeting. With Gentry crippled and O'Brien "afoot," Tommy Burns is the only one of the three leaders left in the game.

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The Admission Day crowd was a good one and had six good races to enjoy, with plenty of tight fits at the wire to bring everybody to their feet with a whoop.

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There is no getting away from the fact that Brynlimah is the real hero of the meeting, for on Thursday he added to his former laurels by running his best race yet in the Exposition Handicap, the richest stake on the program. The handicap was no child's plaything, either, as it was run at a mile and a quarter on footing that is none too good, against horses that are no mean foemen. Celesta, not in the best of condition, was scratched by Trainer Strate, leaving Star Shooter as the sole hope of the Nevada Stock Farm Stable. John Graham, who has not been the greatest success in the world since coming here, was a better horse than usual, and Rash, who had passed before the races from the ownership of Frisco Hoag to that of L. B. Wood for a consideration of $1,700, went to the post in good shape and carrying quite a bit of money. The quartet was not long at the post and went away to a good start, Rash, contrary to his usual custom, going to the front from the first, with John Graham nearest him, Brynlimah third and Star Shooter last after the first half was run. Taplin kept Rash out for a three length lead coming into the straight, maintaining a good command of the field until halfway to the wire, when John Graham and Brynlimah began closing up steadily, cutting down the distance between them and the flying leader stride by stride. Then the pace began telling on the brown fellow and first Brynlimah, then Graham, passed him, Nolan standing off Palm's drive by not more than a neck, while cheer after cheer schoed from the Presidio hills as the thousands present rose to the occasion. As a demonstration of real enthusiastic pleasure in a real horse race, the outburst was the topliner of the meeting, though not equaling the reception accorded White Sox at the end of the 2:06 pace at the harness meeting. Brynlimah was well handled and won on his merits, bringing his owner a nice little sum of something over a thousand iron men to help keep hinges on the stable doors when the winter winds start blowing. Jack Atkin formerly owned the gelded son of Bryn Mawr and Notlimah, but sold him to Lowe at an ordinary figure. He began improving and John lost him down in Kentucky in a selling race, later getting him back through a like medium. He was entered for a thousand in a recent selling event here, but John's estimate of him is probably several notches higher at present.

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That thoroughbred racing has come back to stay and that a new day for his equine majesty, the horse, has dawned in California was the opinion most fully evidenced Thursday evening at the St. Francis hotel, when a goodly array of representative horsemen gathered round the banquet table as guests of the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association. Tributes to man's best friend were paid in heartfelt talks by Messrs. M. H. De Young, Charles W. Clark, Captain McKittrick, George Wingfield, D. O. Lively, W. F. Humphrey, James Woods, J. H. Rossiter, Porter Ashe, Major Whitney, Charles Butters, Colonel Foote, J. J. Nealon and others, the spirit so unanimously voiced promising much for the future welfare of the breeding and racing industry in California.

Hay Boy sold for $12,000. Stoughton Fletcher, of Indianapolis, is the new owner, and Richard McMahon, of Wherever-the-battle-is-thickest is the new teamster. "Welcome to our city" when the fall meeting starts.

VANCOUVER, B. C.

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 20.—The last two days of the Vancouver Exhibition brought forth some good racing. The 2:30 pace on Friday brought Lady Hal again to the front and she stepped the first mile easily in 2:12¾. The remarkable thing in this race was the showing of Hal Bear, the horse that won second money, who was said to be almost entirely without experience and training but finished at the winner's throatlatch in both heats and shows the ear-marks of a high class pacer. Another thing worthy of mention is that the winners of both the first and second money were by Hal B.

Friday's other races were rather tame but Saturday produced three good races. In the feature race, the 2:15 trot or 2:18 pace, Scarlet Trent again won, but stepped the first heat in 2:12½ to do so. Tillamook Maid was at all times a close second and this daughter of Zolock will bear watching.

Hal Stewart, a brown gelding by Hal Mercury, was the next best, as Indian Hal did not seem to have any lick after the first heat. Bell Smith did not show anything like the class of her half sister, Lady Hal, while Prince Malone, after having gone two exceptionally good races for the amount of his training and racing experience, was decidedly off color on Saturday, having bruised his heel in warming up, and two hard races in one week without any previous racing experience seem to make him cranky.

In the second race both Morris Barker and Uncle Tom showed up well in the final heat, stepping a half mile in 1:08¾—pretty fair for green trotters—while in the special race Novela's third mile in 2:18½ stamp her as a pretty creditable trotter on a half-mile track. The summaries follow:

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 20.—2:30 trot or pace, purse $500:

Lady Hal, b m by Hal B.....(Hogoboom)	1	1	1
Hal Bear, b g by Hal B.....(Bush)	2	5	2
Nigger Boy, bl g by Oregon Patch.....(Lance)	3	2	4
Duke, b g by Admiral W.....(McManus)	4	4	3
Myrtha Pointer, br m by Star Pointer (Loomis)	5	3	5
Glad Wren, bl m by Jubilee de Jarnette (Hawk)	6	6	6

Time—2:12¾, 2:16¼, 2:16¼.

Class C trot, halfmile heats:

Susie G., b m by Greco B.....(Steves)	1	1	1
Alma Lou, bl m by Kinney Lou.....(Mason)	2	2	2
Amaline Lou, b h by Kinney Lou.....(Steele)	3	3	4
Lou Nut, b h by Kinney Lou.....(Brown)	4	4	3

Time—1:13¾, 1:14, 1:15.

Aug. 21.—2:15 trot or 2:18 pace, purse $500:

Scarlet Trent, b g by Parovas.....(Thompson)	1	1	1
Tillamook Maid, bl m by Zolock.....(Woodcock)	2	2	2
Hal Stewart, br g by Hal Mercury..(McCullough)	4	3	3
Indian Hal, br g by Hal B.....(Wilson)	3	4	4
Bell Smith, bl m by Blacksmith.....(Cox)	5	5	7
Nic Nac, b g by Alcone.....(Russell)	7	7	5
Prince Malone, ch g by Kinney Lou.....(Loomis)	6	6	6
Truxton King, ch g by Idol Chimes.....(Nomas)	8	ds	

Time—2:12¼, 2:14½, 2:15¼.

Class B trot, halfmile heats:

Uncle Tom, bl g by Monbars.....(Lochead)	1	1	1
Morris Barker, b g by Walter Barker (Ripplinger)	2	3	2
Chromo, bl g by Moko.....(Bell)	3	2	3
Lou Nut, br h by Kinney Lou.....(Brown)	4	4	4

2:30 trot, special purse:

Al McK., b g by Bonnie McK.....(Bessellen)	1	1	2
Novela, b m by Letrado.....(Stetson)	2	2	1
Beauty B., br m by Woodcock.....(Hogoboom)	3	3	3

Time—2:24¼, 2:24¼, 2:18¼.

NOTES and NEWS

Anselot (1) 2:28½.
George Gano 2:10¾ under saddle.
Both are nice new world's records.

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Verbena Ansel (1) 2:26 is another new trotter for rince Ansel (2) 2:20½.

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While Suldine, the Considine candidate for the jun- r trots in the futurities, rejoices in a two-year-old ecord of 2:12.

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General Todd (3) 2:04¼ is also a brand new turf ing, his second heat at Indianapolis ousting the be- ived William from the three-year-old throne. Cali- rnia had notions about setting a new record for is age and gait but George Todd beat Bondalean it.

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Anselot's record places him in the championship rowd for a yearling trotting gelding, which fills a ng vacant "hole" in the best record tables.

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Charley Silva and Harry Cowell will both be on and from Sacramento to take part in Sunday's mat- nee at the Stadium, at which some good sport is romised.

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The winners of the 2:30 trot and the free-for-all rot at Centralia are both products of C. X. Larra- ee's Brook Nook Ranch in Southern Montana, Jovela by Letrado (3) 2:25 winning the former event nd Sargo by Keeler 2:13½ taking the free-for-all. y a strange coincidence the fastest time in each ace was 2:15¼.

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John Quinn, who came home some days ago from is eastern trip, has purchased Albaloma from I. L. lorden and has taken him to Sacramento to fit for he fall fray at the exposition. John owned him once efore and has faith in his ability to win himself out the future, as he hardly had a fair tryout on the ig line this season.

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After his arrival at Los Angeles it was found that Electric Patch (3) 2:09¼, the good four-year-old trot- er in the 1:55 stable, had gone through the big trot ere at the exposition on a pair of front feet that ust have pained him considerably, pus pockets eing found in the heels of each forefoot. The forma- ion was not in the nature of a corn, but seemed the lowly developed result of stonebruise. The heels ave grown out well and the lad will probably be ready" when the fall meeting rolls around.

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The record for three-year-old pacing stallions has een nibbled away a quarter of a second at a time ince Klatawah's day until Wednesday of this week, hen General Todd buckled into William's mark of :05 for a reduction of three-quarters of a second. he contest in progress was the Western Horseman uturity at Indianapolis, the General pacing the first nile in 2:05¼ and the second in 2:04¼. Press dis- atches state that the track was heavy, but do not ive the contending horse. Under any circumstances he race was a wonderful affair.

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George W. Wingfield, Nevada millionaire mining nan, announces that he is negotiating for the pur- hase of last last year's St. Leger winner, Black ester, for breeding purposes. He has sent his rep- esentatives, Messrs. Guilliams and Bamberger, to England to buy the horse. Mr. Wingfield has prom- sed Charles Boots the use of the horse at his stock arm at Milpitas, near San Francisco, Cal. Black ester is a four-year-old son of Polymelus and Ab- surdity, by Melton, and is a high class race horse. This year he won the City and Suburban Handicap with 126 pounds up and the June Stakes, at a mile nd a half, with 129 pounds in the saddle.—Thor- oughbred Record.

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A blooming political war has broken out between he governor and the state racing commission. J. A. Burnett and M. J. Dunleavy of this city, members of he commission under appointment by the former governor, have been asked to resign, charged with aving allowed betting to go on at the recent Over- and meeting although the law legalizes the pari- nutuel system and even goes so far as to provide the ercentage that is to go to the state and to the acing association. We can not see how the gover- nor's position will have any effect on the fairs this all and the mutual machines will probably be used n the betting as was done at the Overland. The commission has worked hard and put the county fairs of Colorado on their feet. The five members have devoted their services free and paid their own expen- ses in the effort to boost the racing game and keep t clean. It is not interested one nickel in the pari- nutuel system. The commission has absolutely pro- hibited bookmaking, has cut out the sale of intox- icating liquor on race tracks, has forbidden touts to practice their tricks, has seen that boxes were sold only to reputable persons and has even cut off tele- phones from the grounds to prevent bookmakers from operating outside.—Field and Farm.

Laramie Lad was a straight heat winner at Hart- ford on opening day, with Loe Blossom trotting 2-2-2.

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Peter Scott and Mirthful were each double winners for Tommy Murphy at Hartford, while Directum I. hung up a new record of 1:58½ for the oval at Charter Oak Park.

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Gay Patch, in the eastern division of the Savage stable, won another five-heater at Beloit, Wis., trot- ting the halfmile track right at 2:15. She continues to look like a real good four-year-old.

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Margot Hal "threatened" at Hartford Monday, but one good heat was all she cared for, thank you, and the judges allowed her to retire at the conclusion of a run of some three-eighths of the second mile.

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"Force of habit" caused us to put Marvin Childs down as Hal Boy's jock at Montreal, when it should have been McMahon, the wily Illinoisan having taken command of the pony pacer's campaign at that point.

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Spriggan still has that winning habit, annexing the thousand dollar 2:09 trot Monday at Hamline and equaling his old record of 2:08¼ again. These 2:08¼ miles are getting to be an old story with this slim barreled trotter.

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Leata J. can pace the two lappers, evidently, as she trimmed Waynetta at Greeley, Colo., in 2:12, 2:12 and 2:14¼. If these girls tangle up frequently and hit good going they are liable to do things to the Colorado pacing record.

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Clarence J. Berry, who sailed for Alaska immedi- ately after the June meeting at the exposition, ex- pecting to remain in the vicinity of his mining prop- erties until late in the fall, returned rather unexpect- edly a few days ago. By accident, one of his feet was made the "objective point" of a bullet from a twenty-two rifle, and a quick trip was made to civili- zation in the fear of complications of a serious nature developing. Fortunately the apprehensions were groundless as the victim progressed famously and is going about his affairs as usual. The accident occa- sioned considerable inconvenience and necessitated a number of changes in Mr. Berry's plans, but so far as real, head splitting pain was concerned was less serious than would have been a "beaning" by one of Brother Henry's pitchers whose fast one hap- pened to be a little wild.

AMORIST 2:15.

When next a horseman comes to me with a tale of the "biggest fast trotter alive," and tells me that I should see the giant one that he refers to, I am going to make him take to his heels—for I have seen Am- orist 2:15!

This stallion weighed 1,410 pounds last winter and balanced the scales at 1,385 when, after the stud season Johnny Gray of Topeka, Kan., began to pre- pare him for the races. Amorist stands 16.3½ hands, and his trainer about 15.1 hands, so there is a com- bination of giant and pigmy that you cannot beat, the world over. Johnny worked Amorist a mile in 2:13¼ before coming here, and I saw him step a quarter in a moderate mile in :31. He is a good gaited trotter, too, and the twelve-ounce front shoes which he wears appear as mere plates when seen on feet of such proportions. Zombro 2:11 was his sire, his dam being Zaya, by Baybird; second dam Mary Lou 2:17, dam of the noted Kinney Lou 2:07¾. He was purchased in California by his present owner, F. O. O'Reilly, of Helena, Quebec. Mr. O'Reilly had previously purchased All Style 2:10 from Amorist's dam, and then sold the horse to the Australians. He is a veteran in the business, having owned several celebrated old-timers and been familiar with Hamble- tonian 10 and nearly all the famous horses of that historic period. There is many a good story stored away in the memory of this astute Hiberian, and later on I hope to induce him to shed some of them for our readers' delectation.—Marque, Horse Review.

STOUGHTON FLETCHER BUYS HAL BOY.

"The most important sale of the meeting here was consummated on Tuesday when Hal Boy 2:05¼ passed into the possession of S. A. Fletcher, of In- dianapolis, for a price reported at $12,000," writes Tom Gahagan in his report of the Montreal meeting in the Western Horseman. "The handsome little gelding from the west has already been in nine races this season, starting three times at the exposition meeting at San Francisco, where he won once and was twice second, the last time in the $20,000 stake for the 2:06 class. At Cleveland, Detroit, Kalamazoo, Grand Rapids and the first week here he was the contending horse every time, but seemed to be under a hoodoo and could not win. Marvin Childs, who drove him in all of these races, was severely criti- cised for his manner of handling the horse, and the prediction was made that in the hands of some of the star Grand Circuit teamsters the little gelding would not be beaten. Fletcher bought the pacer during the meeting here and when it came to the start of the 2:10 pace on Tuesday he had to do a lot of ex- plaining to the judges to show there was no infrac- tion of the rule which makes a horse ineligible when purchased after 5 p.m. of the day preceding the race.

"Dick McMahon, who campaigned King Couchman for Fletcher last season, was put up behind Hal Boy in his last race, but the pair did not hit it off well together, Hal Boy decorating the bottom of the sum- mary at the finish, his poorest showing of the season. At that it is not a true bill, for everybody knows that the little horse possesses a lot of class, while McMahon is conceded to be in the front rank among the reinsmen of today. The pair will pull down more than one good stake before the close of the season, unless all signs fail. Hal Boy is an eligible to the $20,000 pacing stake at the fall meeting at San Fran- cisco ,and if he stays good he should win himself out in that race alone, as he will not have to meet Russell Boy or Judge Ormonde, his two most formidable Grand Circuit opponents, in that event. Of those which raced against him the past week Tom Mur- phy's four-year-old, Peter Farren, is the only one eligible to the San Francisco race."

Second Day at Hartford.

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the judges declaring Judge Ormonde distanced for foul driving. Peter Farren forced Russell Boy closely in the fifth heat, which was negotiated in 2:06, the slowest time of the event, after which the race was carried over, heat winners only to race to a decision tomorrow.

Professor Wm. Andrews and Volga won the two- year-old trot in slow time and with utmost ease, while Mirthful and Tommy Murphy straight-heated the 2:10 trotters. The summary:

Hartford, Sept. 7.—2:10 pace, purse $2,000 (unfinished):
Russell Boy, b h by Rustic Patenter.(Geers) 2 2 2 1 1
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.....(McMahon) 1 3 8 4 3
Peter Farren, b h by Peter the Great....
.....(Murphy) 4 6 5 2 2
Lustrous McKinney, Aconite, Thistle Patch, Anna Carll, Judge Ormonde and Ashbrook also started.
Time—2:05¼, 2:05½, 2:04½, 2:05, 2:06.

Two-year-old trot, purse $2,000:
Volga, ch f by Peter the Great.....(Andrews) 1 1
Libya, br f by Peter the Great.....(Nolan) 2 3
Setzer Mac, ro c by Henry Setzer.....(Lasell) 3 2
Time—2:25¼, 2:19¾.

2:10 trot, purse $1,000:
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen (Murphy) 1 1 1
Duchess, ro m by Allerteen.....(McDonald) 4 2 2
Guy Nella, br m by Guy Axworthy.....(Geers) 2 3 3
Airedale and Henry F. also started.
Time—2:11¼, 2:07¾, 2:08¾.

Third Day at Hartford.

Hartford, Sept. 8.—With only heat winners to con- test the tag end of the unfinished 2:10 pace, Russell Boy and Pop Geers had an easy victory over Hal Boy and Dick McMahon, the Silent Man's win being a popular one after the hard road he had to travel to get there. Single G., who has been down in the sum- mary of his last start or two, was right in form today and paced three winning heats in 2:05 or better, Rastus, from the McDonald stable, going an excellent race to win second money. Margaret Dru- ien in the fast trot and Deroche in the juvenile trot made those events featureless by winning as they pleased in straight heats. The summaries:

Hartford, Sept. 8.—2:10 pace, final heat:
Russell Boy, b h by Rustic Patenter.....(Geers) 1
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.....(McMahon) 2
Time—2:06¼.

2:06 pace, purse $2,000:
Single G., b h by Anderson Wilkes.....(Gosnell) 1 1 1
Rastus, br g by Liberty Boy.....(McDonald) 4 2 2
Lelia Patchen, bl m by Dan's Brother...(Snow) 2 4 3
Major Ong and Baron A. also started.
Time—2:05, 2:04¾, 2:04¾.

2:04 trot, purse $1,000:
Margaret Druien, b m by Peter the Great....(Cox) 1 1
Lettie Lee, b m by Moko.....(Andrews) 2 2
Fair Virginia, b m by Zombro.....(Monahan) 3 4
Star Winter also started.
Time—2:07½, 2:06½.

2:24 trot, three-year-olds, purse $2,000:
Deroche, ch c by John A. McKerron.....(Geers) 1 1
North Spur, b c by San Francisco.....(Cox) 2 2
Morning Gossip, br c by Border Knight....(Gowan) 3 3
Time—2:11¾, 2:11½.

Fourth Day at Hartford.

Hartford, Sept. 9.—This was "Murphy Day" at Charter Oak Park, the Poughkeepsie wizard and members of his stable romping away with the entire program. Directum I. found footing to his liking for the first time lately, and showed his appreciation of the same by pacing an excellent exhibition mile in 1:58½, which equals the season's record and clips a second and a half from the local track record, which was established at the even two-minute mark sixteen years ago by Star Pointer. The little red 'un was tiring at the wire, but held out gamely.

Murphy's other victories came with Peter Scott in the 2:21 trot and Mirthful in the 2:14 class, both events going in straight heats. Both horses were winners earlier in the week, so they have paid a good dividend on the trip to Charter Oak Park. Neither was in serious difficulty at any time during their races, McCloskey and St. Frisco handily trotting to second money in their events. The summary:

Hartford, Sept. 9.—To beat 2:00 pacing:
Directum I., ch h by Directum Kelly....(Murphy) Won
Time—1:58½.

2:14 trot, purse $2,000:
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen (Murphy) 1 1 1
McCloskey, br g by Theodosius.....(McDonald) 3 2 2
Dick Watts, b h by Gen. Watts.....(Rodney) 2 3 3
Director Todd, Mary Warren, Todd Temple, Belsona, W. J. Leyburn, The Guide and Centerville also started.
Time—2:06¼, 2:06¾, 2:07¾.

2:21 trot, purse $2,000:
Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great.....(Murphy) 1 1 1
St. Frisco, b h by San Francisco.....(Geers) 2 2 2
Jess Y., br m.....(Steele) 3 4 3
Loe Blossom, Ames Albingen, Truesda, Cockatoo, Maid, Tommy Todd, Solitaire, Lou Guy and Dolly Dixon also started.
Time—2:08¼, 2:08¼, 2:06¼.

DUBUQUE, IOWA.

[Western Horseman.]

The Dubuque people showed that they like the harness horse by coming out in large numbers each afternoon, despite the fact that the weather was far too much like the brand that the Eskimos enjoy. The racing, which was contested on the three-heat plan, proved to be of the snappy variety, and while this system has some objectionable features connected with it, I believe that it is a system that the public wants. The trainer that "lays up" cheats no one but himself, while the one that goes out for the coin each heat, and gets to the front, will get just what he earns. I believe, though, that the idea of drawing positions before each heat should be done away with, even though every heat is a race, but if a horse that has drawn tenth position in the first heat wiggles through his field and finishes fifth or sixth, he should be entitled to that position in getting away for the second heat. It happens in many cases that a horse will "trot his head off" getting to a position whereby he may get away in the front tier the next round, and then in the drawing for the heat will get a worse position that he had in the preceding. But, of course, on the other hand, "every heat is a race" and everyone has an equal chance in the drawing for the positions.

The horses were called to the track by a bugler, and then paraded in their positions past the stand. This is a stunt that every secretary should copy. The crowd then has an opportunity to look the starters over, and too, it sort of gives the impression that something worth while is about to take place. I believe that Secretary Kenney was the first manager of a race meeting to introduce this, and in my way of thinking, the idea is an excellent one. The success of this meeting means that Dubuque is again back on the map as a racing town, and that high class meetings can be given there in future.

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The California trotter, Spriggan 2:08¼, in the stable of Will DeRyder, was the real hero of the week, the bay gelding being winner of both the 2:17 and 2:24 trotting classes, each for a purse of $1,500. In his first race, which came on Tuesday, the coast trotter did not have to beat 2:10¾ to win, but in the 2:24 trot on Thursday, the four-year-old filly, Miss Perfection, that had finished second to him on Tuesday, forced him to trot the second mile in 2:08¼—equaling the record taken by him in the $20,000 stake at San Francisco. This mile was a wonderful one, for the Dubuque track is far from being a lightning fast course, and the temperature was not the kind that trainers desire when for world's records. In this mile, the unsexed son of Baron McKinney was over to the half in 1:03¼. I believe that Spriggan can trot in 2:06 or better over a fast track, and if he stays in his present form, he will be a hard nut for most any trotter to beat. The races:

Dubuque, Iowa, Aug. 24.—2:17 trot, purse $1,500:

Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney..(W. DeRyder)	1	1	ro
Miss Perfection, b f (4) by Gen Watts(F. Childs)	2	2	1
Princess Margrave, rn m by Margrave....(Hall)	6	3	2
Irving Heart, b h by Great Heart.....(Fullager)	8	7	3
Slip Past, b m by E. M. R.....(Taylor)	3	5	6
Baron Bates, b h by Baron Wilkes Jr. (Chandler)	5	6	4
Caroline, b m by John B. Donovan..(J. E. Jones)	7	4	5
Anzonetta, b m by Lewis Wilkes....(H. Thomas)	4	8	7

Time—2:10¾, 2:10¾, 2:11¾.

Money division — Spriggan, $522.50; Miss Perfection, $492.50; Princess Margrave, $185; Irving Heart, $82.50; Slip Past, $67.50; Baron Bates, $55; Caroline, $50; Anzonetta, $45.

2:20 pace, purse $1,500:

Sayde Densmore, ch f (4) by Don Densmore.... (H. Thomas)	1	2	2
Hal Actor, br h by Actonward.....(J. B. Jones)	3	3	1
Barlight, br h by Hal Burk.....(Mann)	2	1	5
Leo Tell, ch h by Leo Muscovite ...(Britenfield)	4	4	6
Madam Mac, br m by Expressive Mac(C. DeRyder)	5	5	3
Baron Watts, b c (4) by Gen. Watts (Anderson)	7	5	4
The Eel, 5-7-dis.			

Time—2:06¾, 2:07¼, 2:08¾.

Money division—Sayde Densmore, $457.50; Hal Actor, $445; Barlight, $365; Leo Tell, $95; Madam Mac, $82.50; Baron Watts, $55.

2:10 pace, purse $600:

Society Leader, br h by Don Corbett...(T. Smith)	3	1	1
Jay Ell Mack, b h by E. J.....(Taylor)	1	2	dr
Joe Murphy, br g by Chambertin.....(S. Dunn)	4	3	2
Hal Mapes, br g by Direct Hal.....(G. Loomis)	2	4	3

Time—2:08¼, 2:07¾, 2:09.

Money division—Society Leader, $258; Jay Ell Mac, $139; Joe Murphy, $92; Hal Mapes, $89.

To beat 2:30¼, trotting:

Rose Sullivan, b f (4) by Red Medium....(Green)	2:18¾		

Aug. 25—2:11 trot, purse $1,500:

Madden, b h by Peter the Great.....(Green)	1	1	ro
Alice Arion, b m by Arion.....(McQuaig)	3	2	1
Princess Welcome, g m by Lodaller..(McLaughlin)	2	3	2
Bertha Carey, b m by Zombro.....(C. DeRyder)	4	5	3
Evelyn D., ch m by Sidney Dillon.....(Hall)	5	4	4
Lucy Patchen, 6-dis.			

Time—2:11¼, 2:09¼, 2:10¼.

Money division—Madden, $522.50; Alice Arion, $470; Princess Welcome, $275; Bertha Carey, $127.50; Evelyn D., $105.

2:16 pace, purse $600:

Lee Dale, br h by Archdale.....(Britenfield)	3	5	1
The Exchange, br h by John Kirby.....(Foote)	6	1	6
Walter Richmond, b g by Walter Direct(Anderson)	1	7	5
Shipmaster, b g by Seneca Stewart..(Matthews)	5	2	2
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium....(W. DeRyder)	4	3	3
Jack Johnson, ch g by Chas. McGregor (Johnson)	2	4	4
Jack Green, 7-6-dr.; Grace Ongale, 8-dis.			

Time—2:11½, 2:08¾, 2:12¼.

Money division—Lee Dale, $148; The Exchange, $110; Walter Richmond, $99; Shipmaster, $84; Dicto, $81; Jack Johnson, $78.

Three-year-old pace, purse $600:

Wanda, b f by Chambertin.....(W. Dunn)	1	4	1
Alix Merriman, br f by Merriman C....(Harrison)	4	1	2
Ebenezer, ch g by The Earl.....(Taylor)	2	3	3
Tiowa, b c by Iowa Todd.....(Bates)	3	5	4
Directum J., blk c by Chambertin.....(S. Dunn)	5	2	5
Eva Smoot, dis.			

Time—2:16¼, 2:16¾, 2:14¼.

Money division — Wanda, $240; Alix Merriman, $172; Ebenezer, $99; Tiowa, $49; Directum J., $40.

Aug. 26.—2:24 trot, purse $1,500:

Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney..(W. DeRyder)	1	1	ro
Miss Perfection, b f (4) by Gen. Watts(F. Childs)	2	2	1
Brisac, blk c (4) by Bingara.....(Palmer)	5	3	2
Bessie Mc, blk m by Macbeth.....(McQuaig)	4	4	3
Caroline, b m by John B. Donovan..(J. B. Jones)	3	5	4

Time—2:09¼, 2:08¾, 2:11¼.

Money division — Spriggan, $522.50; Miss Perfection, $492.50; Brisac, $285; Bessie Mc, $177.50; Caroline, $122.50.

2:07 pace, purse $1,500:

Little Prince, b h by George Muscovite....(Ames)	1	1	ro
Our Colonel, b h by Col. Cochran.....(Childs)	4	2	1
Fred Russell, b g by Little Frank.....(Hersey)	2	7	2
Bessie Bee, b m by Star Onward....(Britenfield)	5	4	3
Tommy D., b g by Tommy the Irish Boy..... (Glasscock)	3	5	4
Direct Gentry, b h by Directly.....(McMillan)	6	3	5
College Gent, 7-6-6; Auto Zombro, 8-8-dis.; Alcy E., ds.			

Time—2:07¼, 2:05¾, 2:06¾.

Money division—Little Prince, $522.50; Our Colonel, $447.50; Fred Russell, $200; Bessie Bee, $132.50; Tommy D., $122.50; Direct Gentry, $75.

Three-year-old trot, purse $600:

George N. Patterson, blk c by On Voyage.... (Rutherford)	1	1	2
Allie Watts, ch f by Gen. Watts.....(Edman)	3	2	1
Barsac, b c by Bingara.....(Palmer)	2	3	3
The Substance, b f by The Exponent (McLaughlin)	5	4	4
Lady Anne, b f by San Francisco.....(Eagan)	4	5	dr

Time—2:17¼, 2:14¼, 2:13½.

Money division—George N. Patterson, $253; Allie Watts, $188; Barsac, $99; The Substance, $42; Lady Anne, $18.

Aug. 27—2:13 pace, purse $1,500:

Lillian T., blk m by Roy Patchen.....(Wilson)	2	1	1
Fred Mac, br g breeding unknown....(Glasscock)	1	4	3
Strathtell, b h by Motell.....(Barnes)	3	7	2
Willis Woodland, b h by Woodland Boy..(Merrill)	4	3	9
Imbro, br h by Zombro.....(Meeker)	5	2	10
Hal Actor, br h by Actonward.....(J. B. Jones)	6	5	4
Blue Line, 9-6-5; Leo Tell, 7-11-6; The Counterpart, 8-9-7; Tom King, 10-8-8; Don C., 12-10-11; Madam Mac, 11-dis.			

Time—2:09¼, 2:07½, 2:07¾.

Money division—Lillian T., $667.50; Fred Mac, $385; Strathtell, $177.50; Willis Woodland, $120; Imbro, $100; Hal Actor, $55.

2:20 trot, purse $600:

The Proof, br h by The Exponent (C. DeRyder)	1	1	1
Direct Patch, b h by Dan Patch....(Blackman)	3	2	2
Red Silk, b g by Silkwood.....(Britenfield)	2	3	3
Rose Sullivan, br m by Red Medium.....(Green)	8	8	4
Mainlac, b h by Redlac.....(Smith)	5	4	5
Robert E., b g by Edward M.....(Johnson)	4	7	7
Bob Bingen, 7-5-6; Roan Boy, 6-6-8.			

Time—2:12¼, 2:13¾, 2:13½.

Money division—The Proof, $330; Direct Patch, $111; Red Silk, $99; Rose Sullivan, $22; Mainlac, $20; Robert E., $18.

2:14 trot, purse $600:

Princess Welcome, g m by Lodaller (McLaughlin)	1	1	1
Italian Aubrey, b h by Capt. Aubrey (H. Thomas)	3	2	2
Blanch B., blk m by Sampson Wilkes (Britenfield)	4	3	4
Zomblack, blk h by Zombro.....(C. DeRyder)	2	6	3
Hokola, br h by Potosi.....(Blackman)	5	4	5
Henrietta, 8-5-6; Rose D., 6-8-7; Lady Richmond, 7-7-dr.			

Time—2:10¾, 2:11½, 2:11.

Money division—Princess Welcome, $330; Italian Aubrey, $111; Blanch B., $70; Zomblack, $69; Hokola, $20.

LIVE STOCK FREIGHT RATES, P.-P. I. E.

Favorable arrangements with various transportation companies have been made by the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco, by means of which extraordinary advantages have been provided live stock exhibitors for the exhibition and sale of their stock. In broad terms, it can be said that shipments to San Francisco for exhibition, from points throughout the greater part of the United States, will be returned free to point of origin, provided charges have been prepaid in full one way, and that shipments not returned will have a refund of 25 per cent of one way charges, except terminal ones.

Roads party to the Transcontinental Freight Bureau have agreed to return free to point of shipment live stock (except race horses) exhibited at the exposition, provided full freight, terminal and switching charges have been prepaid one way. Such stock must be offered for transportation within 90 days after the close of the exposition. This provision applies to shipments originating in Chicago and points west thereof in the United States, except in Arizona, California, Colorado west of Canyon City and Manitou, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Wyoming west of Cheyenne, and El Paso, Texas.

On live stock exhibited but not returned, a refund of 25 per cent of the freight tariff (except terminal charges) will be made.

The same provisions have been made by the Pacific Freight Tariff Bureau for live stock shipped from points in Arizona, California, Colorado west of Canyon City and Manitou, and El Paso, Texas.

On shipments originating at and returned to points in the United States and Canada east of Chicago and north of the Ohio and Potomac rivers, horses, mules and other valuable or fancy animals, except cattle, sheep and hogs, will have to pay full rates up to Chicago. Cattle, sheep and hogs upon which full rates have been prepaid one way will be returned free.

All exhibits (except horses and mules) shipped from points in the United States lying east of the Mississippi river and south of the Ohio and Potomac rivers, if unsold and reshipped within 60 days after the close of the exposition, will be returned free from the junctions of the southern and western lines, provided full tariff rates were paid one way.

One man in charge of stock forwarded by freight train service will be passed with a shipment of one carload, but no return pass will be given; with two to five cars, one man will be passed in both directions; with six to ten cars, two men will be passed in both directions; with eleven or more cars, three men will be passed in both directions. On shipments of cattle and mules by passenger train service, the same provisions will apply. On shipments of horses by passenger train service, two men will be passed one way only, no return passes being given. Attendants will remain in the cars with the stock; oth wise they will be charged regular tariff rates.

These conditions do not apply in the case of t Louisville and Nashville Railroad.

Additional details concerning shipment of li stock to the exposition are furnished on applicati by D. O. Lively, chief of the exposition's departme of live stock.

PRINCE ANSEL YEARLINGS TROT FAST.

Rains again interfered with work at the Kentuc Trotting Horse Breeders' Association track the lat part of August and but little of any consequen was done. The fastest mile noted was that of t three-year-old bay filly, Petress Burton, in the stal of Ed. Willis, which trotted a handy mile for t colored trainer, according to his watch, in 2:08 last half in 1:02¾. This filly is the property Herman S. Crossman, of Long Island, who recen bought so many good horses through Willis, whi he is now racing through the Metropolitan Circu Petress Burton was not shipped with the rest, s being left with Willis to prepare for the futurities which she is eligible. The filly has always been f and seems better mannered than last season as two-year-old. She is from the same family as t cracks, Peter Volo and Volga, her dam being a ha sister to their dam, Nervolo Belle.

Possibly a move just as sensational was that of t bay filly, Verbena Aisel, owned by John W. Con dine of the Woodland Farm, Woodland, Cal., and member of the stable of H. C. Moody. She reel off a mile in 2:25 for her trainer. The filly is Prince Ansel, the premier stallion at the farm, a her dam is Verbena Mac, a daughter of the succe ful sire, Directum Spier 2:11¼. It is the fastest m of the season over the local track for a yearling.

It was not the only good performance for the ye ling Prince Ansels, as the bay colt Anselot, broth to Prince Lot 2:07¼ and Lottie Ansel (2) 2:14 trotted in just 2:30, with the last quarter in 35 seconds, and his training was begun much later th that of his stable companions. The brown filly Morgan Axworthy 2:17, out of Eloise, by Wiggi 2:19½, trotted a nice mile in 2:35, last half in 1:: Moody worked his good two-year-old, Suldine, a m in 2:15, in company with Thorn Worthy 2:11¾, ste ping the last quarter in 32 seconds. But of all the performances none was better than that of the thr year-old filly Busy Lassie, by Peter the Great 2:07 out of Miss Busy, by Clay, and her training dat from this spring. She is the property of Mood having been bought by him from George M. Steve Lancaster, N. H., who has bred a number of fa trotters.—Western Horseman.

Peter Scott took the Charter Oak into his keepi in easy fashion. Seldom has there been a tamer ra in the history of that classic stake.

THE HOLSTEIN-FRIESIAN IN EUROPE.

The average annual yield of the Holstein-Friesi cow in Holland is estimated by Prof. Hengerveld the Royal Veterinary Institute of Utrecht to 7,952 pounds. The American consul on the Isla of Jersey estimated the annual yield of the Jersey be 2,400 pounds of milk. From Friesland, where t Holstein is the exclusive breed, there, there was e ported in 1874 to England 29,796,592 pounds of butte This was in addition to Friesland's home consum tion of butter and exports to other countries, makir an average of 117⅛ pounds for every square mile, 205¾ pounds for each cow. The islands of Jers and Guernsey exported 100,464 pounds of butter, a eraging 1,647 pounds for each square mile. In t three years ending in 1910 Holland exported 71,40 000 pounds of butter, or 11 per cent of the total e port trade of the world, and 121,700,000 pounds cheese, or 23.8 per cent of the world's total expo The only countries in the world that exported mo butter were Denmark, which exported 196,000,0 pounds of butter in the three years, or 36.1 per ce of the world's total export, and Russia, which e ported 120,600,000 pounds, or 18.6 per cent of t export trade of the world. As the leading breeds each country, the Jutland in Denmark and the K gory in Russia, are both descended from the Dutch Holstein breed in Holland, it tends to prove t wonderful influence that the Dutch breed has ha upon the world's butter commerce.

In Canada, the world's greatest cheese exportir country, which exported 178,700,000 pounds of chees or 34.8 per cent of the world's export, the Holste breed occupies a predominant place. In Holla many cows have lately been officially tested for t length of their lactation period, which is held to 328 days. The best record so far made is by t Holstein cow Schoon Ries 2d, which made 18,7 pounds of milk and 913.96 pounds of butter in 3 days, the butter and milk record for a cow of a breed in Europe.

While the Dutch have not made the phenomen records which have been made with Holsteins America there is no country with a race of as goo uniform producers. Prof. I. P. Roberts places single herd of 30 mature cows in Holland above an thing like it in the world. The Illinois Experime Station states this of Holland:

"A poor farmer is seldom found, as the life of t Hollander has been devoted to one subject—Dair

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THE PLEASURE SIDE OF MONTEREY.

[By H. T. Payne.]

The citizens of Monterey are justly proud of the portant place their city occupies in the history the great West. To the visitor they point with ide to the old custom house, from whose staff the ars and stripes were first unfurled from land to kiss e breezes of the broad Pacific. They will show you ith an air of see-how-old-we-are, the spot where ebastian Viscano landed in 1602. Then coming own to the dawn of their own civilization, they will ike you to where that great pioneer missionary, unipero Serra, landed his little band of faithful ranciscans in 1770. They will show you the ery tree under which he celebrated the first mass, nd by which he planted the first Christian cross orth of San Diego. They will point to the spot on heir beautiful bay where rode at anchor the old rigate Savannah, when Commodore Sloat demanded nd received the surrender of Mexican authority over ll that territory lying between the present northern oundary of Mexico and the southern line of Oregon, nd east to the Rocky Mountains. They will show ou the rose bush, said to have been planted by eneral — then Lieutenant — W. F. Sherman, and a lark-eyed senorita, in 1847, the day before he took is departure, and for whom he promised to return efore the tender cutting should unfold its blushing uds. They will point with pardonable pride to the old Colton Hall where assembled those grand old ioneers in that constitutional convention that wrote he organic law which placed upon our starry banner he brightest gem that glistens on its field of blue.

All those and many more scenes of historic importance will be pointed out to claim the attention, and excite the interest of the visitor; but how seldom do they call his attention to those greater attractions with which their country abounds in a most remarkable degree. How seldom do they call his attention to those health-giving sources of recreation with which the men, and women, too, of the present day are more concerned than they are with the landing of missionaries, with constitutional conventions, or with the raising of flags. As the dawning years of the twentieth century is an age of business rivalry, contention and bustle, and thereby an age of mental worry and physical strain, it is also an age characterized by a demand for seasons of mental relaxation and tissue building pastimes. Fortunes that have been made in the busy whirl of business activity are ready to purchase at any price the renewal of the wasted body and those exhilarating pleasures that make for the relaxation of the long over-strained mind. To such as these Monterey possesses attractions far greater than her old Custom House, her Colton Hall, or her Mission Carmel. Attractions that appeal not alone to the curious, or to the student of history, but to the whole people that are hunting peaceful rest, health-giving recreation and exhilarating out-door pastimes.

To enumerate these we will consider first the location of Monterey and the Hotel Del Monte. Between the southern shore of the Bay of Monterey and the Pacific ocean, nature, in planning the delightful spot where these resorts are located, erected a range of pine-clad mountains. The raw winds of the ocean, filtering through the trees of these mountains, reach Monterey and Del Monte in a gentle breeze laden with the health-giving balsam of the pines, while Point Pinos to the west and Point Alones, still nearer to Monterey, have so projected themselves into the bay as to cut off all eddying currents of wind that may sweep in from the Pacific. Thus these two favored resorts, nestled in a grand amphitheatre of mountains and pines, is protected even from the strong trade winds of the ocean, giving them a climate warm in winter, and with just that degree of coolness in the summer conducive to health and vigor. In front of this delightful spot stretches the waters of the bay, fanned into sufficient activity by the gentle breeze to give variety to its tints of blue, and agreeable motion to the many pleasure craft that rise and fall on its heaving bosom. Then, back from the farther shore, rise the redwood clad slopes of the Santa Cruz range, with the blue summits of Ben Lomond and Sierra Prieta clear-cut against the sky. Back of Monterey rise the pine-clad mountains in their varying tints of green. To the west, the new Government barracks and their park-like parade grounds set in a frame of graceful pines. To the east and across the great beet fields of the Salinas delta, the eye rests upon the blue summits of the peaks of the Gavilans.

Then, the famous "Seventeen-mile-drive" over the mountain, through the pines, and firs, and cedars, and back by way of the ocean shore and Point Pinos, the southern headland of the bay. Since more facile pens have attempted to describe this wonderful drive and have failed to portray one-half of its grandeur or its delightful charms, I would be rash, indeed, to venture on the field and add another disappointment to the long list that have preceded me. But without any attempt at description, I venture the assertion that there is no other spot on earth, with a pleasure drive of like distance, that presents such a variety of charming pictures, or that can produce the exuberant delight to be found on this drive. The passage over the mountain; the ride under the towering pines; the little glimpses down the rugged canyons, or into peaceful vales, may have their rivals in other lands, but there is no other view of the grand Pacific ocean like that which rivets the attention as the automobile or four-in-hand emerges from the pine-clad hills and hurries down to Prospect Beach. There are other coves, grand and inspiring, but none so weirdly beautiful in all its settings as that little indentation hewn by the hand of time into the rock-bound shore, and known by the romantic name of Chinese Cove.

There are other headlands and rocky points, lashed by the restless waves and raging storms of the mighty ocean, but there is only one Cypress Point, for nature never imitates, or attempts the impossible. There are other trees that find a foothold in the meager crevices of the granite rocks and flourish where no sustaining soil seems present, but there are no others so firmly rooted in the storm-lashed rocks, and so grotesquely picturesque as the Monterey Cypress. There are other rock-bound shores whose pinnacles, and arches, and caves, carved by the erosion of unnumbered aeons, hurl back in harmless spray the angry waves that lash their sides, but none with that peculiar individuality of beauty, form and character possessed by those along the shore skirted by this famous drive.

Pleasant as it is to record the lasting impressions made on the memory by the scenic splendors that surround these peerless resorts; pleasant as it is to inhale the balm infiltrated into the sea breezes during their passage through the pines, I must desist for the present, for more exciting sport awaits me. Yonder by the wharf our launch is waiting, and we will soon be in the midst of a sport whose exhilaration quickens the pulse and sends the red blood of the sportsman tingling through every vein. Look out over the blue surface of the bay and note the course of yon flock of birds that seem to be pursuing a school of sardines. The bow of our little launch is pointed toward them; and as her keen prow turns the wave like the rude plowshare turns the yielding mould, and we leave a foaming wake behind us, our rods and lines are adjusted and a hook-impaled sardine cast over from the port and starboard quarters. Barely has the necessary line been paid out when whiz-z-z goes the reel, for we are among the salmon and one has taken the hook. The churning of the propeller is at once stopped, and the fight with the gamy fish begins. The hard bent rod betokens a heavy fish as he takes yard after yard of line in his frantic rush for liberty. But the strong arms of the angler hold him taut, paying out only sufficient line to prevent a breaking strain. The water parts, a gleam of silver is seen above the surface as the bright sides of the fish reflect the rays of the sun; a splash, a turn of his wiry form and he is again in his native element. He was in the air but a second, but it was long enough to show the man at the other end of the line that he had hooked a forty-pounder with fight enough to tax his strength and skill. Stopped in his mad rush, he now changes his course and comes quartering toward the boat. The rod straightens and the slackened line must be reeled in promptly or the prize will be lost. By skillful work the line is kept taut, and the happy angler's eye gleams with a new light as the reel again sings its accompaniment to another rush of the big quinnat, for he feels the inspiration of the battle royal that is now on. The fish is fighting for its life with all its strength, coupled with no small measure of cunning. Glance for a moment at the angler's face. The eye sparkles with animation; around the mouth plays a smile of supreme satisfaction, of pleasure sought and found. The close-pressed lips mark a determined resolve to conquer, while over the whole face rests an expression of careful attention given to every pressure on the rod and every turn of the reel; and all showing that he is in the midst of an enjoyment that fills the mind, the heart—the soul, it you please—with the keenest of satisfaction. At last, after half an hour of this superb sport, the huge king salmon is brought to gaff and lifted into the boat; and the angler, with tired arms, and exercise enough to whet his appetite, takes his seat with a countenance beaming with joy.

Such is the grand sport—healthful, invigorating sport, which the bay of Monterey yields to those who cast their lines in its waters. The salmon season is now on and good catches running as high as twenty to thirty to the boat are now being made. From the establishment of a fish hatchery on the other side of the bay, jointly by the Southern Pacific Company and Santa Cruz county, this grand sport is destined to increase and furnish recreation to generations yet to come. At present the quinnat, or king salmon, are found in abundance during the summer months, and range in size from ten to forty pounds. About ten years ago some fifty thousand silver salmon were planted in the streams tributary to the bay by the Santa Cruz hatchery, in the hope that this variety, which seek the smaller streams for their spawning grounds, would make this grand bay their adopted home. From the abundance of food the bay affords this hope seems to have been well founded, and has added another charm to this section, for the experiment was successful.

But salmon is not the only fish to be found in Monterey bay. White sea bass, striped bass, steelhead, yellowtail, barracuda, several varieties of the cod family, as well as endless list of the smaller fishes, abound and furnish fine sport to those seeking the pleasures and benefits of out-door recreation.

Through the courtesy of Mr. J. K. Oliver, president of the Promotion Committee of Monterey, several years ago the writer was enabled to inspect one of the multitudinous curiosities that from time to time are encountered in the waters of Monterey bay. It was a fine specimen of the Trachypteris isakawae, one of the ribbon fishes of the pelagic class, found occasionally along the Japanese coast, but seldom encountered in these waters. This fish, which resembles a giant sea horse, created great consternation at the time among the local fishermen, who are usually well versed in everything piscatorial in these waters. Several years ago Dr. David Starr Jordan devoted much time to the study of fishes in Monterey bay, and made the assertion that all fishes of a migratory nature in the world at some time or other visit this wonderful bay, a statement fully verified by this rare Japanese visitor. This fish has no real economic value, but from a scientific standpoint it is possibly the most wonderful ever taken on this coast. It was sent to Stanford University for preservation.

To the devotee of the gentle art of angling, who wishes to whip the mountain streams for trout, Monterey can furnish him as fine sport as he will find anywhere. The beautiful Carmel—what memories that name awakens—with its delightful pools and silvery ripples; its scenic setting of mountain and forest; its open glades and enchanting dells, can never be forgotten by those who have visited it. Near the mouth of this stream stands the old Mission Carmelo, erected in 1770. The valley here opens into broad stretches of fertile soil, but above this open vale is where is found

"Its dark abysses, its transparent coves,
Its tranquil bays, its forest-gilded edge,
And all the blissful haunts the angler loves."

It is an ideal trout stream, and always furnishes the finest of sport to those who visit its upper waters. The fish are usually keen for the fly and gamy in their fights. By the enterprise of the people of Monterey this stream is restocked nearly every year, as well as by the natural run of steelhead from the ocean, thus keeping the supply always at the high mark. Besides the Carmel, the San Jose, the two Surs, and a few other smaller streams rarely fail to furnish an ample reward to those who visit them.

Within a reasonable ride or drive from Monterey, and over better than the usual mountain roads, can be found deer in good numbers, and these close to some of the finest camping grounds to be found in the State. In fact, this sections is the favored locality of many of the most experienced deer hunters of central California.

To the man with the shotgun and the trained bird dog Monterey county has especial attractions. There are few sections where quail can be found in greater numbers, easier of access, or grounds more conducive to comfort for either the man or the dog. All along the Salinas river from where it empties into the bay, up to its source in San Luis Obispo county, the call of the game little quail is heard. On the sand hills and mesa, even away a few rods from the surf back to the mountains, good shooting can be had on grounds that it is a comfort to shoot over. Up the Salinas valley there are a number of open canyons and foothill glades where these birds are to be found in wonderful numbers. Across the mountains in the Carmel and other little valleys can be had very fine quail shooting. The general open character of the grounds, the well equipped hotels and excellent livery service which characterizes these resorts, is also a consideration of no little importance to him who looks for comfort in his recreation.

Monterey and Del Monte, hid away as they are on the shores of a bay designed for man's peaceful enjoyment; hid away from the noise and bustle and turmoil of a busy world, and bathed in a quieting, dreamy atmosphere, are rapidly becoming the chief Meccas of the pleasure-seeker. Here he can find a climate which furnishes an outing season co-extensive with the yearly calendar. Polo, golf, and tennis grounds; riding and driving over roads that are ideal, and through scenes of beauty and absorbing interest; bathing, boating and sailing; fishing of some kind always ready for his enjoyment, and deer and quail shooting in season. With such a variety of pastimes there can be no chance for ennui at these resorts, no moping days when recreation is sought and not to be found. No moments when the siren voice of pleasure is not calling: "Come forth into the open air—the sweet, balmy air, and by the pursuit of the varied pastimes offered, build up the wasted tissues of the body, and through the exhilaration of their enjoyment renew the vigor of the tired mind."

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

THE RIGHT TO FISH.

A curious injunction suit has been brought in the United States Court in this city, states the Chronicle, editorially.

"According to a dispatch from Sisson, one Robert Casaita, of that place, has been served with a temporary injunction from the court forbidding him to fish on 'private preserves' along McCloud river.

Possibly, that which is of more interest than the fortunes of Casaita, or the fish, is how on earth the United States Court gets jurisdiction of the case. The McCloud river is not, we believe, a 'navigable stream,' and, if it is, the shades of Jefferson and Madison and Patrick Henry, should they be wandering in this State, would be inclined to commit shade suicide if they discover that the constitutional power of Congress 'to regulate commerce among the several States and with the Indian tribes' is construed to give authority to a Federal court to determine where a man might go fishing in the State of California.

As to the issue involved, it is not made clear in the dispatch. In the case of small streams dividing landed properties, it is usual for the deeds on each side to run to the center of the stream. In that case, the owners of both sides would be the owners of the land under the stream, and would apparently have power to exclude trespassers, no matter what their object. But State, and not Federal, law has been supposed to be the law to be invoked in such a case.

In the case of larger streams, the land titles usually run to the banks on each side, the stream itself, and the land under it, remaining public property, whether State or Federal depending on what is shown by the abstract of title. But whether State or Federal, the law of this State gives, we believe, express authority to fish, in season, in public waters, and we know of no Federal law against it, or of any good reason to suppose that in any case State law would not prevail. If the land under McCloud river is public land, we do not see how any one can be lawfully prevented from wading on it and catching all the trout he can in the proper season.

As to the equities of the case, the streams of the State are regularly stocked with fish at public expense, and that is most distinctly not done for the sole benefit of the landowners along the streams, but for the general welfare, as the Constitution of the United States expresses it."

A test case will, it is reported, be brought to decide whether or not the fisable streams of the State are the property of the State and whether fishing on private preserves along such streams can lawfully be prohibited, is to be brought before the United States District Court in this city.

Casaita will be supported by the State Fish and Game Commission in his fight for the right to fish in the McCloud river. The order to show cause why he should not be prohibited from fishing in the river bordered by the lands of the Bend Company in Siskiyou county was issued by the United States District Court last Saturday upon the complaint of the company, a Nevada corporation, that they had been damaged to the extent of $5,000.

Casaita asserts that he has a right to fish in the stream because it is stocked with fish by the State. The company charges he is a trespasser.

President F. M. Newbert of the State Fish and Game Commission states that the supervisors of Siskiyou county have the right to condemn strips along the river on lands riparian under a State statute passed in 1910 in cases where the bordering lands are uncultivated. He said that the Commission will be represented by legal counsel in the federal court when Casaita's case is argued.

THE LATE GEORGE W. ELLERY.

George Whanton Ellery, member of the Ellery Arms Company of San Francisco and prominent member of the Olympic and Union League clubs, passed away suddenly last Sunday while on the way from Monte Rio to his home at 1511 Broadway, Alameda. Mr. Ellery was stricken at Fortieth and Shafter streets, Oakland.

Mr. Ellery had resided in California a half a century. He was born in Newport, R. I. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Blanche M. Ellery, two daughters and a son, Mrs. Charles Jennings, Mrs. Stanley Runyon, and John Ellery. He was a brother of William Ellery of San Francisco, Christopher Ellery of Napa, and Miss Ann Ellery of Rhode Island.

The deceased was well and popularly known among the ranks of local sportsmen and also became prominent in Coast kennel affairs a decade ago. He was a member of the directorate of the San Francisco Kennel Club up to 1907 and also the mainstay of the Oakland Kennel Club for several years. His fancy ran to cocker spaniels, a breed which he did much for during his active career in dogdom. He bred and exhibited a number of high class cockers, Champion Spiden and others.

George Ellery, as he was familiarly known to a host of friends and acquaintances, was noted for a most pleasing personality, and was the happy possessor of all of the endearing and respected qualities that go to make up a man loved by his associates and having the confidence of his business connections. We offer our sincere sympathy to his surviving relatives, a sentiment that we feel confident prevails with all who knew our departed friend in life.

FLY-CASTING CONTESTS.

San Francisco Fly-Casting Club candidates for gold medal honors in the Stow lake fly-casting contest met last Sunday forenoon and Saturday afternoon, when the contests were resumed after a sixty-day interval, getting trout dividends from mountain creeks meanwhile.

While the accuracy percentages demonstrate the rodsters' skill in practical trout fishing performances, the long distance exhibitions appeal to the general observer. Some good scores were made in light tackle long-distance casting, for instance: E. A. Rogers, 115½ feet (within six inches of the recent tournament record).

In heavy salmon tackle fly casting, E. A. Rogers led with 157 feet (just five feet less than the international tournament 1915 record, and the best up that recent performance of Fred N. Peet, 162 feet). He followed with a back score of 145 feet.

The scores in light tackle accuracy, event 1; dry fly accuracy, event 2; quarter-ounce lure accuracy, event 3; and quarter-ounce lure distance, event 4; quarter-ounce lure "slam" cast, event 5; light tackle distance fly, event 6; salmon fly distance, event 7; "in-and-out," 'event 8, follow:

Sunday Contest No. 7. Stow Lake, September 5, 1915. Wind, southwest. Weather, fair.
Judges, Joe Springer, J. F. Burgin, E. A. Rogers. Referee, W. J. Davis, Jr. Clerk, Chas. E. Hills, Jr.

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
W. J. Davis, Jr.	99.36	98.10	97.6	92.5	153	110	131		4
Stanley Forbes	99.20	98.12	98.9	162.2	167	110	120		
Col. Young	99.20	98.9							2
E. A. Rogers	99.8	99.2							
Chas. H. Kewell	99.8	98.2	98.9	132.7	145	85	121		
Joe Springer	99	98.9	91			80	120		5
C. H. Gardner	98.52	98.13	99.2	111.9	119				7
H. A. Thomson	98.8	98.5				85	121		
Re-Entries—									
W. J. Davis, Jr.	99	98.12	98.3	129			137		8
Joe Springer	99	98	8				124		3
E. A. Rogers	98.24	98.11					145		
H. A. Thomson	98	98.4				89	112		1
Col. Young		98		84					

Saturday Contest, No. 7. Stow Lake, September 4, 1915. Wind, southwest. Weather, fair.
Judges, W. J. Davis, Jr., Joe Springer. Referee, J. F. Burgin. Clerk, Chas. E. Hills, Jr.

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
W. J. Davis, Jr.	99.32	99	98.1	109.9	131	109	131		1
C. H. Gardner	99.24	98.13	99.2	83.5	147				3
F. A. Webster	99.36	98.13	98.8	92.5	130				3
Joe Springer	98.36	98.11							
J. F. Burgin		97.4					131		1
Re-Entries—									
W. J. Davis, Jr.	99.24	98.7	94	121.9	133				5
F. A. Webster	99.32		99.3						12
Joe Springer									2

BLACK BASS CLAIMED TO BE A MENACE.

Few of the younger generation of fishermen who, each Sunday, may be seen along the banks of the Sacramento, ever consider that the sluggish but edible catfish and many of the other fish which find favor with the anglers in these waters are not native to these streams, but have been brought here from half way across the continent. So long have the catfish, the striped bass, the black bass, the carp and a few other varieties been inhabitants of the Sacramento river that few of the old-timers remember much about the planting, says the Sacramento Union.

It is now more than forty years when, following the planting of eastern catfish in the river, the small boys of Sacramento began catching this fish. Many of the present disciples of Izaak Walton who are past the half-century mark will remember the time when the river levee broke and the waters came up to the old R-street levee (there was no Y-street levee at that time). Someone discovered that this back water had brought the catfish, then a stranger to most small boys of the west, up to the levee and instantly there was a great scramble for fish lines, hooks, raw meat and angle worms.

At that time the most plentiful fish in the Sacramento river was the perch, which since has gradually dwindled away. Fishermen of the '70's also caught large quantities of dace, a fish that has almost disappeared since. In the last quarter of the nineteenth century sturgeon still were numerous in the Sacramento, and set lines put out over night would often have six or eight of these great fish, weighing from 50 to 300 pounds, fast hooked in the morning. Now they, too, have gone.

Those who have observed the piscatorial life of the Sacramento river believe that the striped bass, which was imported after the catfish, and the black bass, particularly the latter, are responsible for the changes in the balance of the fish. The bass of all varieties are voracious fish and few other varieties can live in the same stream with them, the fortunate few being fish armored with spines which make them unpalatable to the cannibal bass.

Because of this capacity of the bass to destroy the young of other fish, as well as their own, many fishermen of the State look to see the balance in the river life further upset, it being their prediction that the black bass, which is now no longer a market fish, will in time cause the disappearance of the salmon, their argument being that the black bass inhabits just such streams as the salmon spawn in and in which the young salmon fry live.

It was about 1885 that the European carp was introduced into these waters. In this vegetable eating fish, which since has become such a nuisance wherever meadows are overflowed because of its propensities for rooting up grass and other green growth, California has some first-hand evidence of what nature is likely to do when an animal is removed to a new habitat and the old restrictions of environment removed. All this may be but another case of the kind such as the English sparrow planted in America, the American muskrat planted in Australia, or the English rabbit also introduced into Australia.

GOSSIP FOR SPORTSMEN.

Wherever else in the State doves may be plentiful Fresno county seems to be slightly in the lead. The birds in large numbers are reported to be frequenting the Kaffir and Egyptian corn sections and sunflower patches, where they feed. Vineyardists, however, bar the man with the gun and dog, by reason of damage shooting does to the vines.

Sporting goods dealers and hunters in that section are in accord that the present season promises to surpass in enthusiasm and numbers of participants any previous year. It is stated that 60,000 shotgun shells were sold to Fresno sportsmen during the two day rush preceding the opening day. At some places long lines of hunters formed to make application for licenses. Hunters who were out the first day nearly all returned with limit bags, fifteen birds. They reported the shooting could not be better. Motor trips were a big factor in putting hunters in position for the opening fusillade. Popular dove-hunting sections are along the San Joaquin river, around Sanger and Clovis, and at points between Fresno and Mendota on the West Side.

Sacramento sportsmen found good shooting in the ravines and valleys between Lincoln and Auburn. Dave Ruhstaller, G. Newbert, W. Ogg, E. Pipera and G. McRae made up on successful hunting party in that section. Capital city hunters are puzzled in one respect. Up that way dove shooting is only good during warm weather.

Just where the birds go when the warm days are over is the question. When cooler weather ensues, the warm valleys, which have been frequented by flocks of thousands of doves, are deserted save for a few stragglers. The birds no doubt take flight for the warmer southern districts. They leave early in the season the upper foothills when it grows colder, and keep on moving to warmer quarters from time to time.

Doves are fairly plentiful in Sonoma county, which condition tempted J. Giorgi to shoot a few birds before the season opened. Justice Small of Sonoma suggested that $25 would be the price for such carelessness. The amount was paid.

Gray squirrels are also in season now. G. Carponi, however, shot one rodent out of season. He squared the indiscretion in Judge Grigsby's court at Napa by paying a $25 fine, supplemented with $10 more for being minus a hunting license.

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The price of shotgun shells and rifle cartridges is advancing throughout the United States, it is claimed, owing to the enormous consumption of ammunition across the water. A further increase is intimated by sporting goods dealers later on. Possibly shells that cost 75 cents a box of twenty-five now may cost 85 cents before long.

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There seems to be a slight increase in the number of deer carcasses brought into the city recently. Trinity county hunting sections are reported to be well stocked with bucks. Siskiyou county can be put in the category of a hunting paradise. Supervisor W. B. Rider of Klamath National Forest has a force of seventy uniformed forest rangers on duty. These men are instructed to keep in touch with hunters and camping parties and direct them to the best hunting and camping sections. Feed has been abundant this season, the bucks are fat as butter, and most of the visiting hunters have been made happy with a limit bag of bucks.

Very few bucks have been killed in the hills near Livermore this season. Of those bagged, a forked-horn, killed in the upper Arroyo valley by D. Sachan, weighed when dressed 217 pounds. Santa Cruz hunters are still taking a fair toll of venison. Three nice bucks were killed Sunday by William Featherston and Horace Lockhart along Bean Creek gulch, and by Glen Ashley and William Hayes in the Zyante creek section.

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The sale of deer hides is allowed by the new State law; that is, a hunter may sell the hides of two deer he has killed in one season. But before a hide can be sold the owner must secure a leather tag, issued by the State Fish and Game Commission. To procure the necessary tag it must be shown by affidavit, that the buck or bucks were legally killed by the affiant, before a county clerk or justice of the peace will deliver the sole leather tokens. Complying with this provision of the law, the State Fish and Game Commission has had made a quantity of leather tags and they are now being distributed to county officials throughout the State.

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The incentive that leads the hunter to the mountains in deer season is not that he may be lucky enough to kill a deer and cut from it one or more of the quarters, that he and his friends may eat. True, the hunter who is lucky enough to bag a deer will nearly always save one or more of the quarters for said "feast," but first he wants to keep the head or the hide—and in most cases both. The hope of getting the head or hide as a trophy is the incentive that spurs the hunter on.

he main essential in all this, however, is to first your deer. After that the elated hunter must the hide and that portion of the head showing horns, to comply with the new law now in force. how many hunters know how to skin a deer erly? The following method is recommended: skinning heads, the slit should be made up the of the neck, so that the throat of the finished hy will show no seam. Cut around the neck, to the shoulders and brisket, then open up from center of the top of the skull, just behind the ers, and slit down the top of the neck as far as end of the neck skin.

ter this make a straight cut to the base of each er, your three cuts thus making a "Y." Work he skin of the neck. To detach skull, turn head side and slip the knife in between the base of skull and the first vertebrae; this severs the mus- and tendons. Then turn the head over and at the operation.

fter the head is free on both sides give it a ach and detach the skull. Cut the cartilage of ears close down to the skull and pry the skin y from each antler by inserting a small wooden ge under the skin and tapping on it. Peel the back to the eye sockets, but take care here that do not cut the eyelids.

ext peel the skin off as far as the lips, being ful of the skin around the eyepits. After reach- the eyes cut close to the bone all around, in r that the cartilage may be left attached to the . Cut through the cartilage well back of the rils and you will find the skin entirely free of skull.

ub plenty of fine salt into the entire surface of skin, roll it up and let it lie until morning, when hould be examined closely for soft spots where salt has not worked in and hardened the tissues. ve these soft spots down and rub salt into them. skin and skull should now be hung up in a dy place where neither dogs nor vermin can h them. Remember never to dry a skin by the or in the sun.

ake the opening slit by extending the belly cut along the throat between the jaw angles. Open bottoms of the feet. Remove the skin of the , but leave the bones in position. Detach the ll and clean it out (nice job, too, that). Split the from the inside and clean out the ears. After eading and salting the skin, roll it up flesh to h. Complete the operation in the morning by bing cornmeal or ashes on it, scraping off all fat salting again.

FISH LINES.

ecent reports from Eel river fishing resorts state t a steelhead run is on. Most of the fish are all—half-pounders, but larger trout were also com- up stream; a 13½ pounder was the largest taken Greig's pool last week. Ned Bosqui, Nat Boas and e Sachs are already on the river, and will be rtly followed by other local rod and reel experts. he recent trip of W. L. Gerstle, John Seibe, T. C. rulff, Walter Mansfield and others; Fred N. Peet Chicago and John Waddell of Grand Rapids, to San Francisco Fly Casting Club's loge on the ckee river was greatly enjoyed by the Eastern itors. The whole party got full baskets of fish. t's 2-pounder was the largest trout landed.

ake Tahoe anglers are enjoying good fishing at sent, particularly at Rockaway bay. Near Glen ine fishing in the small Sierra lakes is reported ellent.

ccording to telegraphic reports from various ther river points, trout fishing has been picking a bit recently. In the vicinity of Blairsden the er is clear and trout are paying more attention to patterns. Baited hooks are also giving good re- ns. Two-pound trout are numerous enough to ke this sport lively. From Keddie comes word of ra good fishing at Prattville in the Big Meadows i also near the Neiss dam. In the creeks near lden, fishing is said to be particularly good. Bait ermen get good catches, but the fly anglers are ring the best luck.

At Big Bar many visiting anglers have all been king excellent catches recently.

Restocking the streams of Marin and Sonoma nties with trout fry, planned by members of the lifornia Anglers' Association for last Saturday, was stponed. The railroad officials required unimpeded ht of way for the holiday traffic. The regular ist party of the club last week, at the club rooms, s attended by a large number of members and ests.

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A neat, conventional-sized pocket edition of the w California fish and game laws has been issued, d is now ready for distribution to sportsmen and ers by the State Fish and Game Commission.

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The National Association of Fish and Game Com- ssioners convened in this city September 7, 8 and at the Sutter Hotel. Ever since this association s formed at a meeting in the Yellowstone Park in 2 it has had a powerful influence in shaping the licy of fish and game conservation throughout the ntry.

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Motion pictures were taken of fish-planting opera- ns recently along the American river when El Do- lo County Rod and Gun Club members and others were interested. In Placer and El Dorado counties about 656,000 trout fry have been liberated this season—a restocking of, it is claimed, about 5000 miles o ftrout fishing streams. Millians of baby trout have been planted in the waters of the State this year.

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Not only fishermen of California, but those of the entire United States are beginning to be aware of the fact that the system of fish and game protection afforded by this State, coupled with the systematic work of the Fish and Game Commission, is making the fishing in California better with each passing year. As the Saturday Evening Post stated in a recent issue, "Contrary to the experience in all other States, fishing in California is going ahead." And many wielders of the rod testify that the State never has had such fishing as it enjoys this season.

Thus it is possible for the man visiting some of the lakes to catch an Eastern brook trout, whose habitat is New Hampshire. Hardly moving from his tracks, he may take a Loch Leven trout, native of Scotland; a brown trout, of German origin, or one of the several native varieties of trout, whose numbers are kept up by regular plantings. And all of this is the work of the Fish and Game Commission, coupled with better legislation and the support of the sportsmen of the State.

It is a big task that the Commission has before it. If the lakes and 26,212 miles of running streams in California were confined into one stream 60 feet wide and 30 feet deep, it would circle the globe more than 20 times, being 504,000 miles long. To keep this amount of running water properly stocked with fish a large hatchery is required, and this the State of California has in the Sisson hatchery, which is the largest trout hatchery in the world. Through the work of the hatchery and the other smaller ones, California will liberate this season 19,000,000 trout fry and 20,000,000 salmon.

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Speaking of the better protection given fish and game of late years, F. M. Newbert, President of the Fish and Game Commission, states: "Much of the old-time destruction could be laid to the door of aliens. These people came to this country with the idea that they were free to do as they pleased and so they shot game in and out of season and dynamited streams to get fish. Records of dynamite sales, and sales of the cheap single-barrel guns in Sacramento, for instance, show this. Now the foreigner has acquired a healthy respect for the game laws.

The work of planting young fish is a rather difficult task, requiring constant care and attention, but, thanks to the use of autos and auto trucks in place of horses and rigs, it is much more simple than in the old days. The rapid movement of the trucks keeps the water in the cans agitated sufficiently to aerate it without artificial methods, so much of this work is obviated. With slow-moving horse and rig it was necessary for one or more men to stand over the fish cans with cups, constantly dipping up water and putting it back.

Then, too, trips that formerly required hours can now be made in a half or a quarter of the time, and this helps by shortening the time the fish are existing in unnatural conditions. Arrived at the streams the cans containing the fry must either be set in the stream until they are the same temperature as the running water, or water from the river must be dipped into the can until the two are the same. A difference of a few degrees is fatal to the young fish.

As showing the success of modern methods of planting, not more than 10 trout to a can were dead when the young fry were released in the American river a week ago. A few years ago losses of ten times that number would have been considered a good record."

At the Traps

Garden City Tournament—O. N. Ford last Sunday gathered in the feature event of the first day of the annual registered shoot of the San Jose Blue Rock Club when he captured the doubles championship of California with 45 out of 50—25 pairs. A. F. Baumgartner of San Jose was second with a score of 41. Ted Cooper, the Tacoma crack shot, turned in a 39.

The high amateur average for the day was shot by H. Pfirrmann of Los Angeles, 172 outof 180 birds. He had but a short lead over Bob Bungay of Venice, 169, Ford 168, A. Flickinger, of Vallejo, 168, and George Anderson, 167.

Andy Flickinger won the miss-and-out event on 43 straight, while Cooper made the long amateur run of the day by smashing 70 clays in succession.

In the professional ranks, R. C. Reed and Hugh Poston, both of San Francisco, divided honors with high averages of 172 out of 180. Reed made the long run for the day at 105 straight.

The scores, on 180 singles, for the day were: H. Pfirrmann 172, R. Bungay 169, O. N. Ford 168, A. Flickinger 168, Ted Cooper 164, L. Lorenson 163, N. A. Howard 163, C. H. Nash 162, Ada Schilling 161, C. A. Arques 159, J. P. Haese 157, J. T. Down 155. R. C. Reed 172, Hugh Poston 172, L. Hawxhurst 168, G. Holohan 166, G. Ellis 134, J. Brenan 127.

Doubles, 25 pair—O. N. Ford 45, A. F. Baumgartner 41, Ted Cooper 39, George Anderson 37, Bob Bungay 37, C. H. Nash 37, Pfirrmann 36, Arques 35, Mrs. A. Schilling 33, J. P. Haese 29, A. MacCaffrey 26, H. Cline 19.

The shoot closed Monday, September 6. R. H. Bungay and H. Pfirrmann tied with 386 out of 410 for high amateur average. H. E. Poston won the high professional average with 391 out of 410.

The miss-and-out race Monday was won by J. T. Downs of San Jose with 22 straight. Of the special events for women, Mrs. Ada Schilling, San Jose, won the Miss Hammond trophy with 18 straight and the O. N. Ford trophy with 198 out of 230. H. Lorenson of Newman won the O. N. Ford championship with 49 out of 50.

Miss G. Meyers of San Francisco won the Ruth A. Pepple trophy with 17 straight targets.

The summary of Monday's shoot follows:

H. Lorenson 230—217; R. Bungay 230—217; O. N. Ford 230—216; L. Baumgartner 230—215; Toney Prior 230—215; H. Pfirrmann 230—214; A. Flickinger 230—207; J. P. Haese 230—206; N. A. Howard 230—206; C. R. Arques 230—200; Mrs. Ada Schilling 230—198; E. W. Jack 230—197; J. T. Downs 230—196; H. Stelling 230J189; G. H. Anderson 230—187; E. C. Smith 230—177; Miss Meyers, 230—158; C. H. Nash 100—88; A. Bridgford 100—87; G. McCaffry 100—84; Dr. Topham 100—83; H. E. Poston 230—219; L. Hawxhurst 230—217; R. C. Reed 230—213; G. Holohan 230—198; W. R. Ellis 230—187; James Brennan 230—166; J. G. Heath 110—91.

Saturday's preliminary shooting shows:

O. N. Ford was high over the whole field with 98 out of 100. H. E. Poston, 95, and L. Hawxhurst with 92, came next. J. P. Haese of Santa Barbara was next to Ford in the amateur ranks. He smashed 90.

Other results in the preliminary were. N. A. Howard 89, J. T. Downs 89, R. Bungay 88, E. W. Jack 86, C. R. Arques 83, Mrs. Ada Schilling 82, E. C. Smith 80, G. Holohan 78, J. Brennan 73, and G. Ellis 63.

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Butte Echoes—Renfro of Warm Springs won the Twohy and Confarr medals at a recent shoot of the Butte Rod and Gun Club. The weather was ideal and good scores were made. Besides Renfro, the out of town contingent which took part in the shoot included Donnolly of Chicago; Morgan from Salt Lake; Messrs. Gemmett, Hillard, Munn, L. G. Smith, and Mathewson from Anaconda; Messrs. Coleman, Tippett, Williams, Valiton, and Larabie from Deer Lodge.

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Closing Live Bird Shoot.—The gold medal winners of the California Wing Shooting Club for the season of 1915 are: First, Ed L. Hoag; second, Toney Prior; Third, P. J. Walsh.

The club held seven monthly trap shoots, each contestant shooting at twelve pigeons, the distance handicaps ranging from 26 to 33 yards. The final shoot came off last Sunday. The leaders in the medal race up to then were Hoag, with three birds lost out of 74; Prior and Du Bray five down each; Walsh six and Nunan seven pigeons behind. Hoag scored eleven birds, which gave him a total of 80 out of 84, the top score for the season, and annexed the first medal.

The scores for the final club shoot at the Sobrante trap grounds follow:

Medal match, 12 pigeons, distance handicap, high guns:

T. Prior	33 yds.	2212 1222 2212—12
P. J. Walsh	29 "	2111 1111 2122—12
H. Stelling	28 "	1222 1222 1112—12
E. L. Hoag	32 "	2222 0122 1222—11
C. C. Nauman	30 "	1101 1111 1111—11
C. A. Haight	26 "	0211 1121 2102—10
Dr. G. J. Sweeney	27 "	1221 1010 1211—10
Capt. Du Bray	31 "	1010 1212 2110— 9

Purse match, 12 pigeons, distance handicap, high guns:

Capt. Du Bray	28 yds.	2212 1111 1122—12
E. L. Hoag	29 "	1111 2122 1122—12
T. Prior	32 "	2221 2112 1222—12
C. A. Haight	28 "	2212 1122 1211—12
P. J. Walsh	29 "	1*21 1111 1111—11
H. Ogilvie	30 "	1221 2122 1120—11
H. Stelling	29 "	1120 2021 1122—10
Dr. G. J. Sweeney	27 "	1010 2121 1101— 9

*Dead out of bounds.

Six bird pool, 30 yards rise, high guns:

Prior	112211—6	Hoag	121110—5
Walsh	121111—6	Haight	101211—5
Nauman	111212—6	Sweeney	201222—5
Ogilvie	111121—6		

Miss-and-out, 30 yards rise:

Du Bray	1112211—7	Walsh	120 —2
Nauman	1112111—7	Ogilvie	10 —1
Hoag	1221111—7	Sweeney	20 —1
Stelling	1122121—7		

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FIXTURES.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

September 5-6.—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

September 6—Tacoma Gun Club, Tasoma, Wash., "Old Policy"; Carl Coon, Secretary.

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

September 24—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 27—Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Oregon.

October 4, 5—Roswell Gun Club, E. P. Malone, Secretary, Roswell, New Mexico.

November 2—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

Peters Points.

At the Missouri State shoot, St. Louis, Aug. 12-14, Mr. C. H. Reilley of Salt Lake City, Utah, won high amateur average on all targets, including doubles and handicaps, with the excellent score of 575 ex 600, with Peters "steel where steel belongs" shells.

THE HOLSTEIN-FRIESIAN IN EUROPE.

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ing. . . . Holland has often been called the cow's paradise and it well deserves the name. . . . Here is a country where land is worth from $500 to $1,000 an acre and in many cases naturally no better than much of our Illinois land. Yet these people pay their rents or interests on money invested by producing butter and cheese which they place on the European market in successful competition with that produced in America on land of less than one-fifth the value. They do this in spite of the fact that they cannot produce the amount of digestible nutrients per acre that we can with either corn or alfalfa. The secret of their success is efficient cows, excellent care, co-operation, and superior quality of butter and cheese."

What is true of Holland is also true of nearly every prosperous dairy community in the world. The first secret of success lies in the fact that the Holstein breed is used. Other breeds have been introduced into Holland but we find in the department of state reports that "as a rule the offspring of foreign breeds has proved inferior in the more essential particulars and therefore the importation, breeding, and raising of such foreign cattle, no matter how fine the breed, have generally been unprofitable."

From Holland the Holstein breed under its various names of Dutch, Holland, Friesian, North Holland, or under its various offshoots of Jutland, Oldenburg, East Friesland, Belgian, Flanders, and Buttenburg has gone on to become the predominant dairy breed in every leading dairy country on the eastern continent. George May, director of the Weinhenstep Agricultural Station, asserts that the "Dutch cattle constitute the type of the properly so-called Lowland race, which extends throughout Netherlands, Oldenburg, Flanders, Normandy and Denmark."

Belgium imported 123,201 cattle into the country in 1878, of which 107,008 came from Holland. The same proportion holds true in other years, proving the overwhelming popularity of Holland or Holstein cattle. Consul Wilson of Brussels says that the farmers of that district will have nothing to do with any but such cattle as produce the largest amount of milk upon the smallest amount of feed, and for this they prefer the pure Dutch cow or her crosses with the Flemish animal. Consul Stewart of Antwerp asserts that "the cow is valued only by her milk-giving qualities and for this purpose the Dutch are much the best." Consul Tanner of Liege states: "The breeds to which I allude present now the outward appearance and the results for both the dairy and for beef cattle that cannot be surpassed in the world. This is more particularly true of the breeds known here as the Hollandais or Dutch cow and the Flamande or Gelbian cow. . . . The Hollandais or Dutch cattle on the whole I think are generally more esteemed than any other, though the Flemish, which belongs to the same family, holds almost equal rank. This breed of cows (the Flamande, which is an offshoot of the Holstein breed), ranks almost equally with the Dutch, even in North Holland, and in France, Germany and Switzerland are esteemed above any English breeds by all those who know cattle."

The price of the Dutch or Holstein breed is given from $118 to $180 and of the Flamande from $118 to $252.50. The Shorthorn brings $65 to $85, the Ayrshire $65 to $80, and the Jersey from $60 to $75.

In France it is stated in the department of state reports that "the Flemish breed also probably originated on the shores of the North Sea whence came the breeds of Holland, Schleswig-Holstein, and Jutland, all remarkable for their milking qualities." It is asserted that "the Flemish breed is pre-eminent as milkers in France," and the "Flamande (also the same race-stock as the Holstein breed) is essentially valuable for the dairy and is destined to predominate in the dairies of the northeast of France."

J. H. Sanders, appointed by the United States Department of Agriculture to attend the International Exhibition at Hamburg in 1883, which was adjudged to be the best exhibition ever held on the continent, states in the Bureau of Animal Industry report:

"The feature of the cattle show was the dairy stock, and in this I never saw anything that could approach it. Hundreds of Friesians or Holland cows were there with grand udders and every indication of milk producing capacity of the highest order. I am now more than ever convinced that all things considered the Dutch cow is the general dairy cow par excellence of the world. . . . I saw no breeds of live stock at this show the importation of which to the United States in my judgment should be encouraged or recommended more than the Holland or Friesian Dutch dairy cattle and the Oldenburg."

As the Oldenburg is of the same race stock as the Holstein and as there were Ayrshires, Shorthorns, and nine of the leading dairy breeds represented, it is indeed a high tribute to the remarkable quality exhibited by the Holstein breed in Europe to state that the Holstein or Dutch race alone should be encouraged to be imported into America.

In Denmark under the auspices of its agricultural society all the leading dairy breeds were given an impartial trial. The Jersey, Shorthorn, and other breeds were tried out in competition, with the result that the Danish farmer has discarded those breeds to place his reliance on the Jutland and the Red Danish breeds. As the Jutland breed originated from the shores of the North Sea, it is another testimony of the merits of the Holstein.

Illinois Experiment Station Bulletin 140 asserts that the "million dairy cows of Denmark are confined almost exclusively to two breeds, the Danish Red of Zealand and the islands and the Jyske or Black and White cow of Jutland. . . . In the dairy world it has remained for the little countries of Denmark and Holland to achieve economical production of high-grade dairy products. In no country does everything give place to dairying as it does in Denmark and Holland and in no country in the world are the farmers so prosperous and self-respecting."

In Russia Consul General Stanton of St. Petersburg states that the "Cholmogory, originally a cross between the Dutch cattle and a native breed of Archangel, is the best known race and is kept up by a constant importation of Dutch bulls. . . . The Cholmogory are remarkable for their yield of milk and are the favorite breed in St. Petersburg, where a great number of cows of this breed are bought." At Mustiala in Finland under the shadow of the Arctic Circle the Holstein proved to be the hardiest and most profitable cow under the most severe conditions. In a test lasting from 1885 to 1896 the Holstein breed averaged 3,159 pounds of milk and the Ayrshire 2,376 pounds of milk per year. The profit as given in the Experiment Station Record is for the Holsteins $38 net and for the Ayrshires $33. The Finnish native only averaged $23 and the Angler $26.50.

In Norway and Sweden as well as in Denmark the cow test association idea has been developed to a wonderful degree, and with the scales and the Babcock test to go by the dairymen are gradually discarding all other breeds for the Holsteins. In the Malmohus district in Sweden 2,092 Holstein herds averaged 7,648 pounds of milk for yearly production, 4 herds having an average of 12,126 pounds. These figures may be taken as the wonderful average that the Holstein breed has maintained in Scandinavia.

In England the most stringent laws have existed against the importation of cattle from the continent. Yet despite these difficulties the prolificacy of the Holstein breed is so great that with the few black and white cows that have succeeded in being brought into that country the Holstein breed association is the fastest growing cattle association in England. Being organized in 1909 and having only 50 m bers in 1911 it had increased to a membershi almost 350 before 1915. Holstein cattle are the most esteemed and sought of any dairy bree the island. Dr. James Withycomb of the Or Experiment Station, in reviewing the much hi prices that have been received by British Holst at public auction comes to the conclusion that "British farmer is apparently losing faith in milking Shorthorn." In a public sale at Clock H on Nov. 6, 1914, every Holstein animal offered for brought more than $500 and the average was $: for the sale. This is not only the highest ave for dairy cattle that has ever been obtained in land but it is the record sale of dairy cattle for world. On the other hand a recent dispersion sa a noted milking Shorthorn herd averaged $12 In the Jersey sales in 1914 the averages reported from $73.50 to $105.66, with $367.50 as the hig price for any animal at any of the sales.

The Jersey breed, according to the United St consuls in England, is "more fitted for amateur f ers and opulent families than for ordinary dairy poses" and "they are often kept as lady pet private families but are only partially used in reg dairies to give a little coloring to dairy produ The United States Department of State asserts: England about the year 1640 a bull and some c were brought into Holderness from Holland. T cattle were of large bulk and the cows better mil than were known and on this account they v greatly esteemed and used for crossing with na cattle. The cross showed great and lasting impr ment. The new breed formed by the admixture crossing of these imported animals soon asse their superiority over all other races. Such was origin of the Shorthorn."

Canadian Experiment Bulletin 13 asserts that mating accounts for "the excellent milking quali of the early Shorthorns and also for their s horns, both being inherited from their contine sires."

According to other eminent authorities the Hols breed also helped to form the foundation stock the Ayrshire breed.—Harold McAlister, Breeders' zette.



FINDERNE PRIDE JOHANNA RUE

How fleeting is the glory of a Dairy Cow Queen is best exemplified by the eclipse cast over the yield of the erstwhile leader of the dairy world, Finderne Holingen Fayne No. 144551 H F H B, by her stable mate, Finderne Pride Johanna Rue No. 121083 H F H B, the new world's champion. The reigning Queen, like her predecessor, is one of the brilliant luminaries of the Holstein-Friesian breed, and her remarkable performance, announced June 16 last by the Advanced Registry Office of the Holstein-Friesian Association of America breaks all world's records for butterfat production, not only those of black-and-white cattle, but for all other breeds, by yielding in 365 consecutive days 28,403.7 lbs. of milk (13,211 quarts) containing 1117.47 lbs. of butterfat. The average yield per day, therefore, was slightly over 36 quarts of milk and 4 lbs. of butter per day.

The Holstein-Friesian heifer, Finderne Holingen Fayne, the deposed Queen, whose achievement was the world's record for the short period of but three months, produced in a like period 24,612.8 lbs. of milk (11,448 quarts) containing 1,116.05 lbs. of butterfat.

The new world's record cow, Finderne Pride Johanna Rue, calved at the age of five years, four months and four days. Her sire is Johanna Rue 3d's Lad No. 26939 H F H B and her dam is Jondine Pride No. 60247 H F H B. She was bred by Bernard Meyer of Finderne, N. J., and is now owned by the Somerset Holstein Breeders Company of Somerville, N. J.

The test was made under the supervision of the New Jersey Agricultural College. In a seven-days' test beginning 358 days after she calved, the new world's champion produced 602.4 lbs. of milk and 28.831 lbs. of butterfat, and for a second time established a new mark in the division of records begun not less than 240 days after calving.

THE FARM

A GREAT POULTRY SHOW AT THE P.-P. I. E.

An extensive poultry show, expected to be the greatest ever held in this country if not in the world, will be conducted from November 18 to 28 at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco. Fowls from points throughout the United States and from abroad will enter the competitions, for which both cash prizes and trophies will be awarded by the exposition and by many breed record associations as well as some individuals. The exposition will give cash prizes varying in amount from $2 to $5, to the best five cocks, hens, cockerels and pullets, and for the best pen, in each breed and variety of poultry recognized in the 1915 edition of the American Standard of Perfection, including pea fowl, guinea fowl and pheasant. The same prizes will be paid on all non-standard and former varieties. The awards will be made for the best egg type, best meat type, and best type for both purposes. Those who desire entry blanks must write for them as they are sent only on request. Applications for entry blanks that have been received already give promise of a magnificent display of poultry.

Entries will close November 15. The fee to pay the cost of feeding, watering, cooping, handling and caring for the birds is $1.50 for a single bird, $4 for a pen of one male and four females and $7.50 for a large display cage capable of holding 10 or 12 birds. Express rates are very reasonable, those from New York, Boston, Philadelphia and other points on the Atlantic coast being very little more than those from Kansas City, Chicago and Indianapolis. For example, the round trip express rates for 100 pounds of chickens from the points following are: Los Angeles, Cal., $5.20; Seattle, Waseh., $3.30; Kansas City, $17.10; Dallas, Texas, or Omaha, Neb., $16.70; Boston $21, New York $20.80, Buffalo $19.60, Chicago $18.60, Denver $13.50, Philadelphia $20.60, Indianapolis $18.80. It is possible to get from 10 to 20 birds for each 100 pound shipment. The carload rate is 25 per cent less than these. Full details concerning the transportation, exhibition and care of poultry is furnished on application to D. O. Lively, Chief of the Department of Live Stock.

Autumn being the most pleasant season in California, the birds may be exhibited under the best auspices at the exposition.

The American Poultry Association will hold a convention in San Francisco during the period of the poultry show, and November 16th has been designated by the exposition as "Poultryman's Day," upon which due recognition and honor will be given the Great American Hen.

Every judge of the show is among the best experts in the state or section from which he comes and has a state or national reputation, and each has a license from the American Ptulary Association. Each has been assigned to the varieties upon which he is the best authority and upon which he has shown the greatest ability to pass with satisfaction to the leading breeders.

The Panama-Pacific International Exposition has more than fulfilled the most sanguine expectations of the most optimistic. By August 25 the attendance had passed well beyond the 11,000,000 mark and the influx of visitors from far and near is increasing daily. The fact that the exposition is now out of debt and making a profit guarantees the fulfillment of all its plans for a series of brilliant live stock shows.

In connection with the poultry show there will be an educational program, at which leading poultry experts of the country will deliver instructive addresses on many subjects of interest and value to poultry breeders. One particularly notable feature of this program will be an address on the subject of "Selecting the Layers," by Prof. James Dryden of the Oregon Agricultural College, the chicken eugenist, widely known as "the Luther Burbank of Poultrydom," whose experiments in breeding have attracted world-wide notice.

The American Poultry Association gold medal, diplomas, and specials will be offered at the Panama-Pacific Poultry Show. These medals are valuable and should prove a drawing card. These prizes include one grand championship gold medal, and a special medal for nearly every variety of poultry.

The American Buff Rock Club will hold its national meeting at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition and offer its National Cup and a large number of other specials. The Pacific Coast District of the Buff Plymouth Rock Club offers its District Cup to club members, for best cock, cockrel, hen and pullet, "The Maples," Milton, Oregon, offers the Maples Cup for the best display of not less than 12 Buff Rocks. The Plymouth Rock Club of Southern California offers four beautiful silver cups, one for the best pen of Barred Rocks, one for the best pen of White Rocks, one for the best pen of Buff Rocks, and one for the best pen of Partridge Rocks.

Red Rreeders Club of the World offers two silver cups, one on Single Comb Reds and one on Rose Comb, each valued at $50. Rhode Island Red Club of California offers two silver cups, one for the best S. C. male and one for the best R. C. male. Rhode Island Red Club of America, $50 silver cup for best R. C. Red and $50 cup for best S. C. Red. International S. C. Rhode Island Red Club offers cash prizes to its members. The Rhode Island Red Journal, $15 silver cup for best display of R. I. Reds.

The National S. C. White Leghorn Club offers to club members fifteen badges and a silver cup. Southern S. C. White Leghorn Association, silver cup if three California members compete. American S. C. Brown Leghorn Club, to each state having ten or more members exhibiting the club will present a silver cup. American Rose Comb Brown Leghorn Club offers $25 in special cash prizes.

Silver Wyandotte Club of America, for the best Silver Wyandotte cock, hen, cockrel and pullet, $20 first, $15 second, $10 third and $5 fourth prize.

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One automobile manufacturer puts down to the account of the horse a large amount of waste. He points out that nearly all the hay crop of the country, nearly all the oats, and much of the corn goes to feed the horse. In the United States the aggregate value of the three crops is over three billions a year. In Canada it would be several score of millions. He figures out that if the horse were banished the area given to these crops could be devoted to other production, and thus the huge cost of supporting the horse would be saved. It is sad to think that such fertility of mind should not bring forth greater fruit. Even if the automobile and motor truck were able to do all the work to which horses are put—which they cannot—there wiuld still be as high, if not higher, cost of operation. For certain purposes, such as cartage on paved streets, or moving heavy loads, the motor truck may be cheaper than horses. but the cost of keeping a horse is assuredly no more than would be the cost of operating substitute automobiles, allowing for renewals within the life of the horse. If you do not pay for the horse you pay for the automobile. And the horse still has many merits and atartctions that no mechanical contrivance can match.—Rural World.

FEEDING SPINELESS CACTUS.

I wish to mention at this time but one of the recent tests made in feeding cactus to dairy stock. A cow owned by C. M. Moody, dairyman of El Centro, Imperial Valley, Cal., was fed 62 pounds of cactus per day with 18 pounds of alfalfa hay for a period of 30 days. Previous to beginning the test the cow was fed an average of 42 pounds of alfalfa hay and six pounds of cotton seed per day. The results of the feeding test (sworn to by E. J. Clark, manager of the Clark creamery, M. C. Moody, owner of the Home dairy, and A. W. Swanson, mayor of El Centro) show an increase of 60 per cent of butter fat. Reduced to dollars and cents, the cactus feeding test shows a profit per cow per 30 days of more than $7 greater than the profit per cow per 30 days when fed on alfalfa hay and cotton seed alone. No cotton seed was fed with the cactus; only 18 pounds of hay per day.—Ben S. Lemmon, in Western Empire.

Where live stock is a factor on the farm, make every field hog-tight and sheep tight; have thoroughly good permanent pastures; grow leguminous crops; build a silo; and keep only pure bred males. These five things are absolutely essential in the economical production of live stock. Of course this program calls for some labor and expense, but the permanent condition of prosperity in the sections devoted to live stock production is proof of the good profit derived therefrom.

The prices of meat animals—hogs, cattle, and chickens—to producers of the United States increased 0.8 per cent from May 15 to June 15; in the past five years prices decreased in like period of 0.8 per cent. On June 15 the index figure of prices for these meat animals was about 5.1 per cent lower than a year ago, 4.7 per cent lower than two years ago, but 2.5 per cent higher than the average of the past five years on June 15.—Monthly Crop Report, July 15, 1915.

NITROGEN FERTILIZER.

According to Dr. Lipman of the New Jersey Experiment Station, who spoke at the Fruit Growers' convention at the exposition, 34 cents per year is spent for every man, woman and child in the world for nitrogen, our most valuable plant food, in fertilizer. He states that in the United States in 20 years $500,000,000 per year will be spent for commercial fertilizer.

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As illustrating the wide area given to apple production during the past decade or so, not only are apples the leading horticultural display of most states at the exposition, but in the Canadian building, the greatest single exhibit, outside of wild animals, is the representation of an apple orchard, in sod. The apples, of many varieties, seem very fine and appear to be wonderful keepers. Some pears also are excellent, and gooseberries exhibited look like overgrown cherries.

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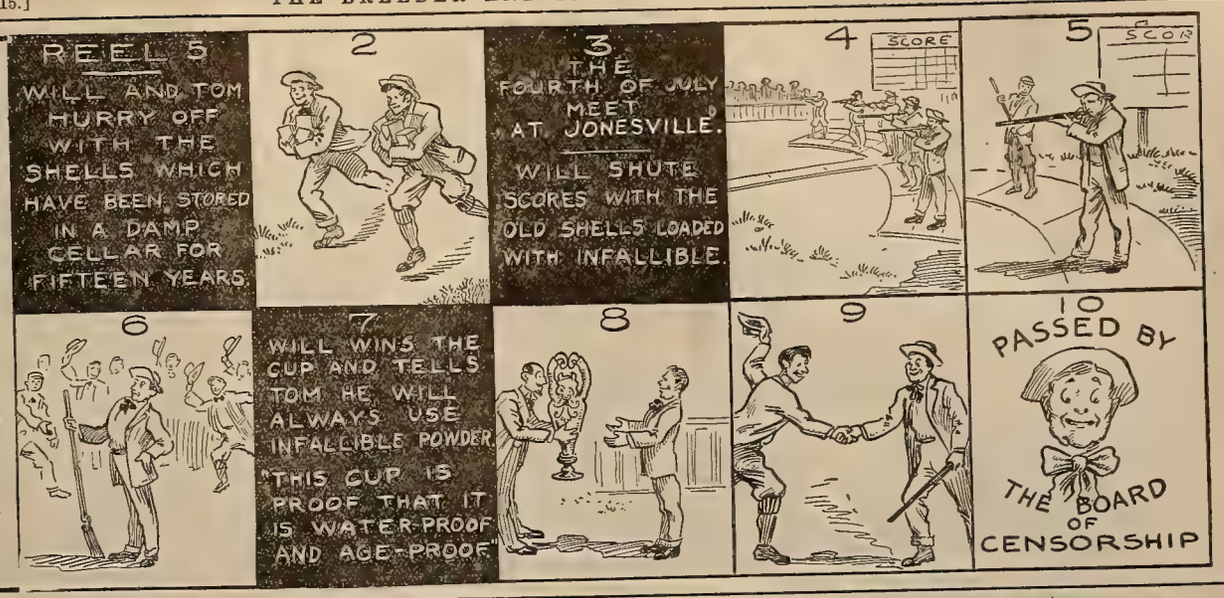
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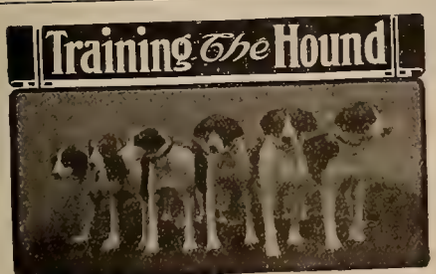
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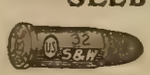
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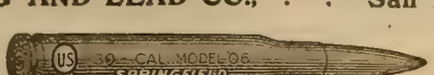
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PHOENIX (Arizona State Fair)	Nov. 15-20

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GREAT WESTERN CIRCUIT.

MILWAUKEE, WIS.	Sept. 13-18
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Based on the theory that gate receipts rather than the horsemen themselves should pay the purses, the entry fee for the thousand dollar events at Phoenix has been placed at only three per cent, with seven per cent additional from the winner of first money, six from the second horse, five from the third and four from the fourth, so that all money winners stand to do better than get their entrance back. The three heat system will prevail, $300 to each heat with the customary division, the additional $100 going to the winner of the race according to the standing in the summary.

Ten classes, each for a purse of a thousand dollars, are open to all comers, the 2:18, 2:12, 2:07 and free-for-all trot, and the 2:15, 2:10, 2:07, 2:04 and free-for-all pace. Entries close on October first, but may be made at any time prior thereto with the further protection that records made after entry shall not operate as bars. Harness horses have a world of friends in the Arizona metropolis, a number of whom have furnished cups to go to the drivers of the winners of the feature events of the program. Governor Hunt's cup falls to the boss pilot in the 2:07 pace; the Arizona Republican's trophy to the winner of the 2:09 trot; Hugh Campbell's cup to the 2:07 trot, while "Daddy" J. C. Adams takes good care of the premier skinner in the 2:04 pace.

Phoenix is always the one best bet of the late racing season, and as its dates this year—November 15 to 20—enable horsemen to go there upon the close of the big meeting here in San Francisco, the entertainment provided should be even better than usual. On page 14 the full conditions and arrangement of the program will be found, or entry blanks can be had upon application to Secretary T. D. Shaughnessy.

THE HORSEMAN TO SUSPEND PUBLICATION.

The issue of the Horseman of September seventh bears the announcement of the early suspension of that publication, the news coming as something of a surprise to the general run of followers of the light harness horse, whose interests have so long and so ably been served through its columns. At one time without a rival in its field, it was gradually surpassed in circulation and popularity by newer comers to the same field, much of its decline being traceable to a lack of appreciation of certain policies of its owner on the part of many of those persons actively engaged in breeding, racing, and their allied industries. In recent years it had gained much in public favor, and, in favor and out, never lost its position as one of the most dominant influences in the trotting world. It will be sadly missed in many a home and office and on countless farms where the trotter is produced on widely varied scales, while our own exchange table will bemoan the absence of an old and ever welcome friend, a "standby" in many a moment of need.

Since 1887 the Horseman has been the personal organ of Mr. Daniel J. Campau, who has always dictated an editorial policy that was without fear or favor. Whether or not you or I liked its policy was a matter of utter indifference to its owner, who had ever at heart the welfare of the trotting industry, the existence of much beneficial turf legislation being traceable to the Horseman and its proprietor. Though Mr. Campau's individual ideas and policies may at times have cost him friends, they forced respect from all quarters, and respect makes for true power in the object of its bestowal.

To those familiar with Mr. Campau's personality, his determination to suspend the publication of the Horseman rather than sell it occasions slight surprise, as it is directly in keeping with his most pronounced characteristics. The announcement of its passing is couched as follows:

"The first number of The American Turf Register and Sporting Magazine was issued in September, 1829, and the editor, John S. Skinner, explained: 'The want of a repository in this country, like The English Sporting Magazine, to serve as an authentic record of the performances and pedigrees of the bred horse, will be admitted by all, whether breeders, owners, or amateurs of that admirable animal. The longer we remain without such a register, the more difficult it will be to trace the pedigrees of existing stock and the more precarious its value will become.' Thus, eighty-six years ago the fact was recognized in America that progressive breeding could not be carried on without a periodical of authentic character. Rumor has no place in work intended for posterity.

"December 10, 1831, The Spirit of the Times was founded with William T. Porter as editor and, as it appeared weekly, it took the place of the monthly in fostering breeding and racing and in building up the literature of out-door sport. It obtained a wide circulation and a discriminating public found in its pages the thoughts of the brightest minds of the nation. After the death of William T. Porter, The Spirit of the Times was published by George Wilkes, a man of marked ability, who declared that the paper was 'firm as marble, founded on the rock,' and was 'a part of Time itself.' In October, 1875, E. A. Buck, of Buffalo, became a partner of George Wilkes in the publication of The Spirit of the Times, and he wrote: 'In its intellectual and moral influences sporting journalism has an important part in the education of the public. It now holds a place which no other form of literature could possibly fill. All the sciences and arts contribute to its usefulness and the nine Muses are its continued attendants.' Charles J. Foster, long a member of the staff of The Spirit of the Times, with H. D. McIntyre, founded The New York Sportsman. Foster was a man of decided ability and thousands of minds were influenced by his pen.

"The first number of The Chicago Horseman was issued March 5, 1881, and two years later the paper was purchased by H. V. Bemis. Mr. Bemis' health failed, and in June, 1887, The Chicago Horseman passed to Daniel J. Campau, whose energy and capital made it a powerful factor in the realm of breeding and track development. In December, 1902, it was consolidated with The Spirit of the Times, which had previously purchased The New York Sportsman. Thus the prestige of such able and famous journalists as William T. Porter, George Wilkes and Charles J. Foster passed to The Chicago Horseman.

"Daniel J. Campau, who was born in Detroit and whose ancestors were with Antoine De La Mothe Cadillac when he founded Detroit in 1701, is a well known lawyer and large dealer in real estate. He has been active in shaping political opinion, holding for many years the chairmanship of the Democratic State Central Committee of Michigan. For nearly twenty years he was a member of the National Committee, and was chairman of the National Campaign Committee in 1896. The Democratic members of the Michigan legislature on three different occasions complimented Mr. Campau by voting for him for the office of Senator of the United States.

"Mr. Campau was an active member of the Detroit Driving Club for years and he placed the city of Detroit strongly on the map as a trotting center. He was the most influential factor in founding the American Trotting Association, and as president of the Grand Circuit he gained laurels which will never fade. He has practical knowledge of horses, having bred and campaigned trotters.

"It is now his desire to escape as far as possible business cares and to travel and enjoy a well earned rest. Consequently the publication of The Horseman and Spirit of the Times will be suspended rather than disposed of to interests which will not preserve its old and proud traditions. Mr. Campau is jealous of its reputation as an upbuilding factor in breeding and racing, and will embalm, rather than destroy, its prestige. In suspending publication, he surrenders no part of his right to the name and good will of the paper or to the honors which came to it through the absorption of other journals. A good name is capital which no one is privileged to filch.

"The library of The Horseman is without doubt the most complete and best of its kind in the country and it should be kept intact, but offers for its purchase, as well as the subscription list, will be considered. Should plans ever be made for the republication of The Horseman and Spirit of the Times, this library should be included in the plan.

"Nominators in the three-year-old trotting and pacing divisions of the 1912 and the two-year-old trotting divisions of our 1913 Futurities will please remember that those Futurities will be as previously announced, competed for at Columbus, Ohio, the week of September 27th. Due notice will be given of the time and place when the later Futurities will be raced."

LEXINGTON RECORD MEETING.

[Western Horseman.]

Lexington, Sept. 3.—A new world's record for yearling trotting geldings, a new 2:10 trotter, five new standard yearling trotters, two new 2:15 two-year-old trotters, and a season's records for yearling and two-year-old trotters were some of the features of the Breeders' meeting here today. Seventeen horses were on the card for trials and sixteen started; fourteen beat the marks they were scheduled to go against. By trotting in 2:28½, Anselot becomes the first unsexed trotter to enter the standard list and is therefore a champion of his age and sex. The successful young stallion, J. Malcolm Forbes, enjoyed a successful day, three of his yearlings taking standard records, giving him a total of eleven, while his four-year-old son, J. Forbes, took a mark of 2:09¾. He had previously taken a record of 2:15¼ over a half-mile track and 2:14¼ over a mile track in winning races. By her mile in 2:22½, Emma Magowan becomes the fastest yearling trotter of the year, and but two fillies have ever trotted to faster records. She is a sister to U. Forbes (1) 2:21½, champion yearling trotter over a half-mile track, and her performance was a high class one, trotting as she did the last quarter in 33¾ seconds.

Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, the good California sire, had a good day, securing two yearling trotters, of which Anselot, as above stated, is the champion yearling trotting gelding. When Suldine circled the course in 2:12 he became the fastest two-year-old of the season to date on public performances. The colt trotted a nice mile, which was about evenly rated, each half in 1:06, with the final quarter in 32¾ seconds.

J. Malcolm Forbes secured three new performers, Prince Ansel and Axworthy two each, and General Watts, Senator Hale and Siliko one each. The summaries follow:

Lexington, Sept. 3.—To beat 2:30¼ trotting:

Kerrigan, b c (3) by Axworthy—Carrie Kerr by Prodigal ..... (E. Allen) 2:14¼

Gunfire, gr g (4) by General Watts—Evening Gray by Cresceus ..... (Morris) 2:12¾

Ethel Hale, b f (2) by Senator Hale—Toddy Cross by Todd ..... (Utterback) 2:26¼

Simony, b f (3) by Siliko—Elsie Leyburn by Expedition ..... (Hayes) 2:26¾

Emma Magowan, br f (1) by J. Malcolm Forbes—Ivolette by Moko ..... (W. Curry) 2:22

Patsy P., bl f (1) by J. Malcolm Forbes—Bessie Hughes by Stammont ..... (W. Curry) 2:27½

Labe Riddle, b c (1) by J. Malcolm Forbes—dam by Tregantle ..... (W. Curry) 2:30

Verbena Ansel, b f (1) by Prince Ansel—Verbena Mack by Directum Spier ..... (Moody) 2:26

Anselot, b g (1) by Prince Ansel—Lottie Whippleton by San Diego ..... (Moody) 2:28½

Silver Axworthy, ch c (3) by Axworthy—Easter Lilly W. by Oratorio ..... (Owings) 2:14½

To beat 2:21¾ trotting:

Expressive Lou, b f (2) by Atlantic Express—Lou Dillon by Sidney Dillon ..... (Snell) 2:15

To beat 2:19¼ trotting:

Britton Forbes, bl c (3) by J. Malcolm Forbes—Fanforan by Tommy Britton ..... (W. Curry) 2:13

To beat 2:17¼ trotting:

Suldine, b c (2) by Worthy McKinney—Carrietta by Directman ..... (Moody) 2:12

To beat 2:14¼ trotting:

J. Forbes, br c (4) by J. Malcolm Forbes—Callie Onward by Time Onward ..... (W. Curry) 2:09¾

Trotting in New Zealand, a Land at War

At numerous occasions during the last several months the Breeder and Sportsman has made reference to the rapid rise to popularity of the sport of trotting in New Zealand, the comments having been confined to generalities, as we were awaiting the close of the season, when we might present some figures that would tell their own story. On July 30 the racing season of 1914-1915 came to a close, and while we have not at our command all the facts we would like to present, we have enough available to give our readers a very fair idea of the present status of the industry in the island dominion which, with all other dependencies of Great Britain, has been involved in a struggle for its national life for over a year. We want you to compare the situation existing there with the one horsemen are facing here, in the hope that from the comparison you may draw conclusions that will be helpful to you in working out the future salvation of the light harness horse in this section, bearing in mind at all times that New Zealand is a country a little less than two-thirds the size of the state of California.

There are other salient features that you will also please bear in mind, including these: That New Zealand had running racing long before she had the trotter, and that the trotter is rapidly supplanting the thoroughbred in public esteem; that the interests of the public take precedence over the interests of horsemen in the eyes of the New Zealand clubs and governing bodies; that all races are dash races, short or long to suit the qualities of the various horses; that classification is by the time or distance handicap, based on performances just prior to the race to be contested; that racing rules are not put "in the books" unless they are meant to be lived up to and enforced; that racetrack speculation through the medium of the totalisator is conducted under governmental sanction and license, and that the sport, in a time of war, has grown rather than fallen off in popularity.

Now the short distance thinker or the man who jumps at conclusions will lose no time in saying that the existence of betting is responsible for the rise and spread of the sport. On the surface this may seem, to the average horseman, to be true, but it is not.

The character of the racing has made possible the governmental sanction of the totalisator; the character of the racing AND the sanction of the totalisator have, together, made possible the establishment of trotting on a firm and constantly growing basis.

You will note that we put the character of the racing as the prime consideration both before and after the licensing of totalisator speculation, and any thinking horseman, who has at heart the real welfare of the breeding and racing industries, will do likewise. With or without speculation, racing must survive or perish purely and simply on its merits as a sport—and a "sporting contest" is one in which, with every entrant striving honestly to the limit of his capacity, the elements are all so thoroughly balanced that the result cannot be foreseen and remains in doubt until decided by the final effort just as the goal is reached. Such racing is the kind we have too little of in this country and is the kind not encouraged under our system, while it is the very class for which New Zealand governing bodies are constantly striving.

The course of trotting in the antipodes has not been an easy one. Practically every visitor from there tells us of the prejudice that had to be overcome because the foreign idea of trotting in America—its home—was that it was rotten with crookedness. Sponsors of the sport persevered, however, and as time passed they worked out their own salvation. Heat racing was discarded entirely as a dangerous practice, at heart a prime incentive to bad racing, and dash races at various distances were established. Classification by handicapping was up to the day of the race, not six months prior thereto. The bookmaker was eliminated, and when it had been proven that harness horse racing was really a sport and not a sure thing gambler's device, the totalisator, under government license, came into permanent effect as the sole means of speculation on horse racing. How long would the government sanction it if the character of the sport were not maintained at the degree of excellence and cleanliness which justified its sanction originally?

However, let us get along towards the figures that show the actual footing of the business.

From the New Zealand Referee, the dominion's general sporting publication which is affiliated with the Christchurch Press, we have taken the following statistics showing the distribution of the season's purse money among owners, one hundred and seventy-eight of whom have won sums of one hundred pounds or over, the normal value of the pound being $4.86:

"The publication in this issue of the figures showing the principal amounts won during the past season will interest followers of the sport who are always anxious to learn how owners have fared in each racing period, and what sums have been secured by their winning representatives. Notwithstanding the great war that has been raging for over a year now, the past season has been one of remarkable prosperity for the clubs of the Dominion, almost without exception; stakes have been increased, and the result is shown in the large amounts that have been credited to the owners occupying prominent positions on the winning list. As was the case last season, our figures include, in addition to the winnings at all totalisator fixtures, the stakes distributed at those gatherings held by trotting clubs not possessed of a totalisator permit. There are, of course, many country clubs of the picnic variety that also include trotting events in their programs, but it has been impossible to take these into account, and in any case they would not affect the figures to any extent.

"The New Zealand Cup is now of such a substantial value that it gives its winner a very high place in the list, and Win Soon's victory in the big event at Addington last season has gone a very long way towards putting her owners in the post of honor at the head of the winning owners. Messrs. Stevenson and McMath have secured during the season £1690, of which Win Soon gained for them £1530, all but £30 of which came from her New Zealand Cup victory. The Ashburton owner-trainer, R. McDonnell, occupies a more prominent position than he did last season, when he was in thirty-fourth place, with a total of £300 10s. Now he is second with £1400, and it is pleasing to note that his brilliant mare, Emmeline, has been mainly instrumental with her winnings of £920 in giving him such a good place. On more than one occasion previously Emmeline's winnings have been far below the deserts of a mare of her brilliance, and it is all the more appropriate to find that she has done so well in what may be regarded as her last season on the track.

"Third place is occupied by Messrs. Hall and Simpson, who have moved up from ninth position, and their total of £1346 10s is largely due to the efforts of that consistent performer Frandocia, who secured £1051 10s, while Chelston, who by the way ran at one meeting at least in the name of Mr. Simpson alone, was responsible for a good addition to the total. The performances of that brilliant young pacer Our Thorpe, who had such a good sequence of victories, have been chiefly instrumental in giving Mr. J. Fleming his place as fourth on the list of winning owners. This young horse showed marked improvement during the season, and in annexing his total of £1240, which is the second largest amount on the winning horses' list, he displayed form suggestive of even better things in the future. Mr. H. F. Nicoll is usually to be found near the head of the list, but though his total during the past twelve months, amounting to £1340, was considerably more than the sum of £998 credited to him twelve months ago, his actual place is fifth. Of his total St. Swithin and Pearlchild have won more than £1000 between them. Mr. R. T. Reid comes next with a total of £1135, most of it won by Eccentric, whose total was £910, and he is followed by the Hinds sportsman, Mr. J. Farrell, to whose aggregate of £1129 St. Kevin was the largest contributor, with £905.

"The West Coast owner, Mr. H. W. Kitchingham, is a liberal patron of the sport, and his total of £1102 is the best that has yet been credited to him by his team, although last year he was actually higher on the list, then being fifth of the successful owners. It is worth noting as an illustration of the larger sums that are now to be won, that last year there was only one owner who topped the £1000 mark, while this year there are eight owners (including the two partnerships) that have been credited with more than that sum. Mr. W. J. Morland, of Rakaia, has done very well this season, and his winnings of £939 are mainly due to Country Belle, who secured £745, most of it gained by her second place in the New Zealand Cup. Year in and year out, there are few owners so consistently successful as the Christchurch owner who races under the name of 'Mr. M. Clarice,' and as he does practically all his own training and a good deal of his own driving, his aggregate of £926 5s, secured chiefly by Law Chimes, Franzalena and Pax, is one that he may well be proud of. Messrs. Geddes and Edwards have, in partnership, won £906, most of it due to Wallace Wood with £858, while M. Edwards, racing on his own account, secured £797, of which Adelaide Direct won £607. Persuader's winnings of £809, including the Dunedin Cup, have given Messrs. Herrick Bros. a more prominent position than they have occupied previously, while the well-known Riccarton owner-trainer, F. Holmes, has also had a much more remunerative season in the way of stake earnings than was the case twelve months ago. That fine trotter Muricata won £72 during the season, most of it in the interests of the late Mr. W. F. Clinton, who died a few months ago and it is pleasing to find another owner of a square gaited trotter, Mr. L. Leslie, credited with £615 won by Electrocute, who scored a good sequence of wins.

"It is unnecessary to deal with all the amounts given in the list, but some idea of the amount of money circulated by the sport may be gathered from the fact that twenty-five owners have won amounts of over £500, while sixty-two others have won sums varying from £200 to £400, and there are ninety-one credited with amounts from £100 to under £200."

These figures alone are impressive, but they do not cover all the ground. The horses that won one hundred pounds or over number one hundred and ninety-eight, and one hundred and ninety-four riders or drivers (we forgot to remind you that they race both under saddle and to harness) piloted the winners of nearly five hundred races—four hundred and ninety-eight, to be more exact.

Turn these figures over in your mind, think what it would mean to California if trotting were established and conducted here on such a basis, and then ask yourself if we are really "bird headed" when we intimate that America could learn some most profitable lessons from New Zealand in the matter of conducting harness racing.

One of the best indications of the excellent condition of the industry is the class publication which caters strictly to the trotter and pacer, the New Zealand Trotting Journal. Founded some time since by the efforts of a number of enthusiastic horsemen, it has advanced steadily in size, scope and influence, and with the opening of the present season appeared in a brand new form, bigger and better than ever, replete with up-to-the-minute news gathered by its own correspondents in every section of the dominion, and with its business pages well patronized. From it we take the following excerpts, which cast more light upon an interesting subject:

"In reviewing the past season it is gratifying to note the phenomenal progress made by every club in the Dominion. The fact of the sport making headway under such adverse conditions as have been brought about by the present crisis in Europe, is a matter upon which the clubs in particular, and the sporting community generally, deserve the highest praise.

"The wonderful support that has been accorded the fixtures is largely due to the loyalty displayed by the clubs in lending important assistance in aid of the needs, ammunition, equipment and materials of war. To a very great extent the trotting clubs have been conducting their meetings on patriotic lines, donating in some cases the whole of their profits to the war funds. The huge sums of money which have so generously been contributed to these funds, must excite the admiration of even those who are hostile to the sport. From precedents established by the clubs, it is safe to assume that still greater sums of money will be forthcoming to assist in the financial stress of the present time. While carrying out these worthy objects the clubs have provided for the many thousands who are depending upon trotting for their livelihood. No pastime has rendered such valuable support as that promoted by the trotting community of New Zealand. It would therefore be a huge mistake even to curtail a sport that is lending such valuable assistance as well as providing for its large number of dependents. That in carrying on the sport it has not interfered with recruiting is demonstrated by the number of young sportsmen who have offered their services for the front. It may therefore be claimed that a very great number of those engaged in the training of horses who are willing to fight, but ineligible as recruits, are, by the continuance of the sport, enabled to assist the various causes in more ways than one. All this assistance is needed in order to bring the great war to a successful issue.

"To these facts may be attributed the phenomenal progress of trotting for season 1914-15.

"During the year the stakes have been considerably augmented, and a general tightening of the classes has taken place. Thus has been brought about still better racing and thus have we substantial ground for pride that we have exhibitions of trotting and pacing equal to any in the world.

"The chief race of the year, the N. Z. Cup, £2500, has become world famous. The Canterbury Park and New Brighton clubs have also increased their stakes, while the latter club has continued its class racing by including in its programs the "free-for-all" stakes and the New Brighton Derby Stakes. The Auckland T. C. Cup of 650 sovs., and the Dunedin

up of 600 sovs. have come greatly into prominence. here has also been in every part of the Dominion general increase in the smaller stakes, a matter hat is very essential in present day racing.

"The Gore T. C. launched out with a liberal pro- ram, but their case was not singular as the Ashbur- on, Otahuhu, Oamaru, Greymouth, Wanganui, South Vairarapa and Hutt Valley clubs have all made ubstantial increases in stakes. The Nelson and Westport clubs deserve praise for the advance made y them.

"It is furthermore pleasing to note the manner in hich the new totalisator clubs have conducted their eetings. The fixtures of the Waikato, Manawatu, overty Bay and Waimate Plains T. C. were so uccessfully carried out that they have gained the dmiration of all.

"In the South Island only the Timaru and Westland rotting Clubs have yet taken advantage of their otalisator permits. The South Canterbury Club had very successful meeting, while the prospects of the Westland Trotting Club are particularly bright; the port is evidently gaining a great hold on the Coast."

It is pleasing to turn from the far from satisfactory r prosperous conditions which face California's horsemen and view the status of the trotter and acer in New Zealand. There the horse furnishes he leading outdoor sport for the people as a whole, nd while their ways may not be entirely fitting for ur use, we most certainly can draw many lessons f benefit from the example set for us. Their system ucceeds. Ours fails.

Can there be much argument as to which possesses he most real merit?

DES MOINES, IOWA.

Aug. 27—Two-year-old trot, purse $500:
Lady South, b f by General Watts.....(Chandler) 3 1
Vera Tramp, ro f by Trampfast.....(Forest) 1 4
Matabra, br c by Archdale.....(Parks) 2 2
Good Gracious, br c by Wilkoe.....(Anderson) 6 3
Lora Belle, 4-7; Miss Bessie T., 5-6; Colorado Lady, 4-5; Billy Merriman, 7-8; Bizzy Mac, dis.
Time—2:27¼, 2:22½.

Two-year-old pace, purse $500:
Charles Simmun Jr., b c by Charles Simmun(Doggett)1 1
Bonnie Heir, b c by Acy-at-Law.....(McInerney) 2 2
Walter Long, br c by Peter W.....(Kelley) 3 3
Tramp Merry, b f by Trampfast.....(Allen) 4 5
Snookum, 6-4; Tramp Wild, 5-6.
Time—2:20¼, 2:22½.

2:10 pace, purse $700:
Society Leader, br h by Don Corbett..(Taylor) 6 1 1 1
Kenney Win, ch g by Kinney L.....(Allen) 1 4 3 2
Elsie Dillon, b m by Baron Dillon Jr(Johnson) 2 3 5 4
Dexter M., b g by Bonnie Wilkes.....(Bell) 3 2 4 5
Baron Lac, 5-6-2-3; Baron Le Follette, 7-7-7-6; Irene Beau, 4-5-6-dr.; Bessie W., 8-8-dr.
Time—2:11¼, 2:11½, 2:11¼, 2:11¾.

Aug. 30.—Three-year-old pace, purse $600:
Arkancello, b c by General Watts.....(Edman) 3 1 1
The Departure, b c by The Exponent..(Wishart) 1 2 2
Altorola, b f by Bergen.....(Fisher) 2 3 ro
Jack C., b c by Apollis.....(Anderson) 4 4 ro
Mabel Gentry, 6-5-ro.; Wanda, 7-dis.; Alix Merriman and Ebenezer, dis.
Time—2:16¾, 2:15½, 2:18½.

Three-year-old trot, purse $600:
Humfast, b f by Trampfast.....(Wishart) 1 1
Sweet Aubrey, b f by Captain Aubrey....(Shockley) 2 2
Allie Watts, ch f by General Watts.....(Edman)3 3
Lieutenant Aubrey, b c by Captain Aubrey (Thomas) 4 4
Lord Archdale, 7-dis.
Time—2:15¾, 2:17.

Sid McKerron, b g by Jack McKerron.....(Betts) 1 1 1
Doctor Luster, b g by Redlac.....(Caine) 2 2 5
Joe Vincent, b g by Knight Vincent.....(Hill) 4 4 2
Miss Pinkerton, b m by Mister Pinkerton (Taylor) 3 6 4
Mabel D., 6-5-8; Checkheart, 7-3-9; Onward Allerton, 8-10-3; W. J. S., 5-8-10; Des Moines Belle, 11-7-7; Jack Panic, 9-11-6; Judge Landis, 10-7-11; Hazel Princeton, John D. and Judge Hutch, dis.
Time—2:16½, 2:16¾, 2:19½.

2:16 pace, purse $700:
Agnes W., b m by The Searcher (McKenna) 4 5 1 1 1
Jack Green, ch g by Summons...(Canfield) 1 1 2 2 3
Bonnie Hal, b m by Doctor Kanaga(Alleman)2 2 3 3 2
Tip Top, ch g by Aldenwood.....(Combs) 5 3 4 4 5
Fern Dot, 3-4-5-5-4.
Time—2:15½, 2:12¼, 2:13¾, 2:16, 2:16¼.

2:13 pace, purse $700:
Strathtell, b h by Motell.....(Barnes) 1 1 1
Elsie Janis, b m by Klatawah.....(McWhinney) 3 3 3
Barlight, b g by Hal Burke.....(Mann) 6 2 2
J. L. Mac, b h by E. J.....(Smith) 2 6 7
George Wilson, 8-9-9; Dexter M., 12-5-6; Marie S., 4-10-5; Ben Medium, 11-4-8; Fernwood, 7-11-4; Redwood, 5-8-dis.; Black Ball, 9-7-dr.; Dad Mix, 10-dis.; Irene Beau, ds.
Time—2:11¼, 2:12¼, 2:11¾.

Aug. 31.—2:30 trot, stake $1,000:
Orlin C., br h by The Exponent (McMillan) 2 1 1 3 2
Velma Todd, br m by Sorrento Todd.....
.....(Massoth) 1 2 2 2 3
Winnie Lockheart, br m by Lockheart....
.....(Taylor) 4 3 3 1 1
Yace G., ch c (4) by Dale Axworthy(Caine) 3 4 5 6 5
J. W. A., 5-5-6-5-6; Adverse, 6-6-4-4-ro.; The Jester, 8-dr.
Time—2:13¼, 2:15¼, 2:15¾, 2:17¼, 2:21¼.

2:14 trot, purse $800:
Evelyn D., ch m by Sidney Dillon.....(Hall) 1 6 1 1
Italian Aubrey, b g by Captain Aubrey.....
.....(A. Thomas) 6 1 2 2
Lucy Patchen, b m by The Patchen Boy....
.....(Taylor) 5 3 4 3
Heir Reaper, b h by Early Reaper.....(Hill) 8 2 3 4
Dick Allerton, 7-5-6-5; Belle of Diamond Creek, 3-7-8-7; Miss Omar, 9-9-7-6; Sure Mike, 2-4-9-dr.; Madden, 4-8-5-dr.
Time—2:11¼, 2:13½, 2:13¾, 2:14¼.

Free-for-all pace, stake $1,000:
Don Densmore, b h by Pactolus.....
.....(H. Thomas) 3 3 1 1 1
Little Prince, b h by George Muscovite....
.....(Ames) 1 2 3 2 3
Columbia Fire, b g by Pactolus....(Stantz) 5 1 2 4 2
Sham Boy, ch h by Chamois.....(Alleman) 2 4 4 3 4
College Gent, 4-5-5-5-5.
Time—2:07¼, 2:06¼, 2:05¼, 2:10¼, 2:09¾.

2:20 pace, purse $700:
Rollie, b g by Fidol Chief.....(Crawford) 1 1 1
Yellow Stone, b g by Shade On.....(McKenna) 2 2 2
Liberty Flash, br c (4) by Liberty Bird(Manbeck) 4 4 4
Harry H., ch g by Better Yet.....(Heather) 6 3 3
Alice R., 3-6-5; Murel, 5-5-6.
Time—2:14¼, 2:14¼, 2:15½.

Sept. 1.—2:25 pace, stake $1,000:
Dexter Direct, br h by Baron Direct....(Taylor) 1 1 1
King Will, b g by King Traveler.....(Parks) 6 2 3
Yankee Girl, b m by Roland McKinney(Predmore) 3 4 5
Minnequa Princess, bl m by Prince McKinney..
.....(A. Thomas) 5 3 4
Deputy Sheriff, 4-5-6; Bob White, 7-6-2; Louise Flynn, 2-7-7.
Time—2:12½, 2:13¼, 2:13¾.

2:17 trot, purse $800:
R. C. H., b g by Faul.....(Walker) 1 1 1
Red Silk, b g by Silkwood.....(Breitenfield) 2 2 2
Aldino, b h by Adino.....(McWhinney) 3 3 6
Mainlac, b h by Redlac.....(Smith) 5 4 3
Two others also started.
Time—2:15¼, 2:13¼, 2:13¼.

2:15 trotting teams, purse $500:
California B., b g by Altasham, and Charley Mars, b g by Prince Charles.....(Beazley) 1 1
Dick Allerton, b h by Roy Allerton, and Jappylac, b c (4) by Redlac.....(Wilson) 2 2
Jackie, b g by Constenaro, and Robert C., b h by Constenaro .....(Peak) 3 3
Time—2:26¼, 2:22.

Western Breeders' Futurity, three-year-old pace, purse $300:
Dismukes, bl c by Ely Dodson.....(White) 1 1 1
Pat L. Williams, b c by Matt Williams (Sullivan) 2 2 2
Time—2:25½, 2:24¼.

Sept. 2.—Free-for-all pacing teams, purse $500:
Prince Verton, bl h by Alverton, and J. W. Wilkerson, br g by Walnut Boy.....Taylor) 2 1 1
Redwood, ch g by Aldenwood, and Tip Top, ch g by Aldenwood .....(Combs) 1 2 2
Bonnie B., b m by Verbosa, and Len Medium, b g by Red Medium .....(Beezley) 3 3 ro
Elsie Janis, b m by Klatawah, and Jack Green, ch g by Summons.....(McWhinney) 4 4 ro
Time—2:24¼, 2:18¾, 2:15½.

Western Breeders' Futurity, three-year-old trot, stake $909:
Last Sheet, b f by Mainsheet.....(H. Thomas) 1 1 1
Lieutenant Aubrey, b c by Captain Aubrey....
.....(A. Thomas) 3 2 2
Della Swanson, b f by Sorrento Todd.....(Lehr) 4 3 3
Sable Redlac, bl c by Redlac.....(McCoy) 2 4 4
Time—2:22¾, 2:23, 2:20¾.

2:15 trot, under saddle, purse $300:
Judge Spencer, gr g by Wilno.....(H. Thomas) 1 1
California B., b g by Athasham.....(Beezley) 2 2
John D., b g by Colonel Kip.....(Edman) 3 3
Charley Mars, b g by Prince Charles.....(Yoder) 4 4
Jappylac, 6-5; Robert C., 5-6.
Time—2:17¼, 2:22¼.

2:25 trot, purse $800:
Tom Carlyle, br h by The Corsair.....(Walker) 2 1 1 1
Rose Sullivan, br f (5) by Red Medium (Green) 5 4 2 3
Fred R., b g by Mytolus.....(Combs) 1 2 7 6
T. H. Hewes, b h by Cup Bearer.....(Agler) 3 6 5 4
Emery A., 6-3-3-7; Josephine Wilson, 4-7-4-5; Fanny Simpson, 7-5-6-2.
Time—2:17¼, 2:19¼, 2:20, 2:20¾.

2:10 trot, stake $1,000:
Governor Mason, b h by Colonel Mason(DeRyder) 1 1 1
Peter Pearl, br h by Peter the Great....(Wilson) 2 2 2
Belle of Diamond Creek, b m by Wilkhurast....
.....(Hardie) 3 4 4
Miss Banner Feed, b m by Wiggins.....(Haley) 5 3 3
Belford Bell, 6-dr.; one other also started.
Time—2:14¾, 2:13¾, 2:14¼.

LITTLE BERNICE TAKES STADIUM FEATURE.

Pacers reigned supreme at last Sunday's matinee of the San Francisco-California Driving Club, each of the events carded being for performers at the lateral way of going, matinee trotters being scarce this season in the club's ranks. With the expected Sacramento delegation failing to materialize, only the regulars were in harness, but they put up four interesting contests.

The free-for-all pace, as usual, furnished the chief entertainment of the day, and after its conclusion Jack Welch was kept busily engaged receiving congratulations over the victory of Little Bernice, the daughter of Del Coronado making her first win of the season. Early in the first heat a break put her out of the contest for the time, Dick W. challenging Vera Hal in the stretch and losing by about a length owing to a break when on even terms a few yards from the wire, the time being 2:08. Vera went to the front in the second, with the others close up, making a handy break at the head of the stretch, settling very quickly. Bernice responded gamely to Schwartz' demands failing to make the break that has previously ruined her chances, and winning by a nose in a hot drive that pleased the spectators immensely. The third heat was much the same, the winning margin being a bit greater. Bernice has improved considerably of late, and Jack's friends hope that before he is through with her she will get back to the form that made her famous as a three-year-old.

Tom Murphy, Happy Dentist and Hamburg Belle were handy winners of the other events, the details being as follows:

2:18 pace:
Tom Murphy .....(E. T. Ayres) 2 1 1
Senator H. .....(J. Kidd) 1 3 2
Cookey .....(J. Vermet) 3 2 3
Time—2:15½, 2:20½, 2:19½.

2:12 pace:
Happy Dentist .....(J. J. Ryan) 1 1
King Pointer .....(H. Campodonico) 2 3
Emma M. .....(W. Malough) 3 2
Time—2:11, 2:12.

Free-for-all pace:
Little Bernice .....(J. C. Welsh) 3 1 1
Vera Hal .....(H. Cohen) 1 2 2
Dick W. .....(A. Ottinger) 2 3 3
Time—2:08, 2:10½, 2:10½.

2:15 pace:
Hamburg Belle .....(J. Ginocchio) 1 1
Palitea .....(J. Kramer) 2 2
Jack .....(McDonnell & Conlan) 3 3
Pointer Belle .....(J. Kidd) 4 4

Judging from some of the bear stories that are emanating from Pacific coast training grounds there will be some fast time and real horse racing when the futurities are called in November. Among both the two- and the three-year-old divisions, both trotters and pacers, there are a number of eligibles that are working very nicely indeed.

WASHINGTON WOMAN SUCCEEDS AS TRAINER.

Washington was the first state of the Pacific Northwest to grant the franchise to the fair sex, and now comes forward Mrs. F. H. Herman of Everett and asserts her right, with apparently excellent grounds, to engage in the sport of harness horse racing as the pilot of her own entry, no matter where the track or what the company. For many years Mrs. Herman has been an accomplished horsewoman, but not until after a strenuous campaign against mere men drivers in which she proved herself worthy of their respect as a rival reinsman was she extended the hand of fellowship that admits her as a member of the fraternity—or should we say sorority?—in good standing.

Mrs. Herman's most marked success has been with the erratic pacer, Elfreda D. 2:12¼, by Diablo 2:09¼ out of Belle Onward 2:14½, several trainers



ELFREDA D. 2:12¼ AND MRS. HERMAN

of the male persuasion having worked with her without success. She could pace and pace fast, but she wouldn't.

Eventually Mrs. Herman purchased her for the sum of three hundred dollars, and started in on an entirely original course of training. Probably her sex gave her an insight into the vagaries of the feminine mind of the equine family, but whether or not this is the case, an understanding was soon effected between herself and the mare that enabled them to get along famously. Under Mrs. Herman's tutelage Elfreda developed "powers of concentration" that enabled her to stay on a pace, and before leaving home this season was working a very ordinary track in 2:14. At Centralia she won the last heat of the 2:25 pace in 2:12¼, taking second money and outranking Hal Bear, King Zolock, Tillamook Maid, Nellie J., William G., Mack Fitzsimmons and High Lo. A thousand dollars was offered for her, and refused, after this performance.

From Centralia the Everett ladies went to North Yakima, where they will take part in the speed program of the Washington State Fair. The footing there is excellent, and Mrs. Herman has high hope of being able to give her favorite a mark well under 2:10 before the meeting closes.

Here's hoping!

ELMA, WASHINGTON.

Wednesday, Sept. 1.—2:20 County Trot or Pace, purse $200:
Tamarac The Red, by Hambletonian Mambrino..
.....(Sanford) 1 1
.....(Martin) 2 2
Mary W. .....(Stream) 3 3
Birdie .....(Brown) 4 4
Shtrinager .....(Frank Davis) 5 5
King .....
Thursday, Sept. 2.—2:20 trot, purse $200:
.....(Squires) 2 1 2
Perrieo, b g.....(Daniels) 3 2 1
Columbia T., b m.....(Geo. Davis) 1 3 4
Mrs. Herbert, ch m.....(Martin) 4 4 3
Mary W., b m.....
Time—2:22, 2:17, 2:22.

2:15 pace, purse $200:
Hal Edo, b m.....(Abbott) 2 1 1
Indian Hal, b s.....(Truesdell) 1 2 2
King Zolock, blk s.....(Archer) 3 3 4
Jennie May, b m.....(Squires) 5 6 3
A. J. B., b s.....(Lamont) 6 4 6
Black Joe, blk g.....(Sanford) 4 7 7
Tamarac The Red .....(Garrison) 7 5 5
Time—2:14¾, 2:14¼, 2:16.

Friday, Sept. 3.—2:30 trot, purse $200:
Sea Waif, br m.....(McManus) 1 1
Perrieo, b g.....(Squires) 2 3
Eloise Del, br m.....(Daniels) 3 2
Mary W., b m.....(Martin) 4 4
Keto, br m .....(Lance) 5 5
Time—2:21, 2:20¼.

2:25 pace, purse $200:
Hal Bear, b g.....(Squires) 2 1 1
Duke, b g.....(McManus) 1 3 4
Thirteen in the Odd, b g.....(McBratney) 3 2 3
Birdie, b m.....(Stream) ds
Time—2:25, 2:24¼, 2:24¼.

Saturday, Sept. 4.—Free-for-all trot, purse $200:
Kid Cupid, ch g.....(Daniels) 1 1
Mary W., b m.....(Martin) 2 2
Oakland Moore, b g.....(Squires) 3 3
Time—2:28, 2:27.

After the race Kid Cupid went an exhibition mile in 2:15¼.

Free-for-all pace, purse $200:
Hal Edo, b m .....(Archer) 1 1
Teddy Bear, br s.....(Daniels) 2 2
Haltamont, b s.....(Gorman) 3 3
Dewey Ann, br m.....(Evans) 5 dr
Time—2:12¼, 2:11.

The full program and conditions for the Arizona State Fair appear elsewhere in this issue. Hunt them up.

THE OPENING AT SYRACUSE.

Syracuse, Sept. 14.—After one heat of the two-year-old trot had been raced yesterday, rain caused a postponement of the balance of the card until today. Thanks to the good qualities of the state fair grounds track the footing this afternoon was much better than one would have expected, and fair though not sensational time marked the day's performances. With the exception of the two-year-old trot, straight heats were in order, the winners getting away with their individual events without serious difficulty. The results:

Syracuse, Sept. 14.—Messina Springs Driving Club Sweepstakes, two-year-old trotters, purse $1,200 (first heat Monay):

Sunloch, b c by Sahib.....(Jones) 1 3 1
Roy Bingen, b c.....(Mitchell) 3 1 3
Revelry, bl g.....(White) 2 2 2
Peter's Pride, Lord Monte and Monoma also started.
Time—2:28¼, 2:23¼, 2:25¼.

The Onondaga 2:07 pace, purse $2,000:

Single G., b h by Anderson Wilkes.....(Gosnell) 1 1 1
Rastus, br g by Liberty Boy.....(McDonald) 2 2 3
Major Ong, b g by Major Gantz.....(Murphy) 3 3 2
Anna Hal, Frank Patch also started.
Time—2:06½, 2:04¼, 2:05¼.

2:14 pace, purse $1,000:

Camelia, b m by Cummer.....(Cox) 1 1 1
Patrick M., bl g by Norbells.....(Stokes) 2 2 2
Peter S., b g by Como.....(Grady) 3 7 3
Joe Patchen III., Fern Hal, Prestolite, Elisha J., June Frost, Peter Oakley also started.
Time—2:05¼, 2:06¼, 2:07¼.

Messina Springs Driving Club Sweepstakes, three-year-old trotters, purse $970:

Eudora Spier, bl f by Directum Spier.....(White) 1 1
Mazda, b c.....(Lattimore) 2 2
Beacon Hal, bl g.....(Mitchell) 3 3
Samoor, br c.....(Jones) 4 4
Time—2:17¼, 2:15¼.

2:19 trot, purse $1,500:

Almah, br m by Cochato.....(Carpenter) 1 1 1
Idora Worthy, b m by Guy Axworthy..(Rodney) 2 2 3
Audrey Gray, b m by Guy Axworthy.....(Cox) 3 8 2
Helena Constantine, King Bellini, Polly T., Onward Forbes, Dame Danvers, Adbella Watts, F. C. W., Prinelda, Host Peter also started.
Time—2:10¼, 2:10¼, 2:10½.

2:05 trot, purse $1,200:

Margaret Druien, b m by Peter the Great (Cox) 1 1 1
Joan, br m by Directum Spier.....(McDevitt) 2 2 2
Rhythmell, bl m by Rhythmic.....(Shank) 3 3 3
Time—2:06¼, 2:06¾, 2:05¼.

Second Day at Syracuse.

Syracuse, Sept. 15.—One thing that Monday's rain and a bit of harrow and float work accomplished was the conditioning of the track here "to a T," and the Grand Circuiters showed their appreciation of the same by tramping the merriest miles that have ever been witnessed at the New York State Fair, for throughout the afternoon the time was fast.

Marse Geers and Deroche started things by trimming the three-year-old trotters in three heats from 2:08½ to 2:09¼, with Tommy Murphy and Walnut Tree straight-heating the two-year-old division of the Breeder's futurity, the Madden filly being a new one for the Nancy Hanks family, out of Markala 2:18¼.

Hay Boy lived up to the predictions concerning his speed by pacing the first heat of his race in 2:02¼, but he has not yet broken the jinx, as Russell Boy won the race by coming back for a second heat in 2:02¼ and a third one in 2:03¼, the pony pacer forcing him out in each case. Peter Scott had a handy win in the big trotting stake, and Murphy had great rides behind Peter Volo and Directum I., the former equaling his own world's record of 2:02 and the latter hanging up a new mark of 1:56¾, without a windshield. The track record for trotters driven by amateurs was also cut, Captain David Shaw piloting Peter Mc over the course in 2:06¼.

The 2:03 pace, unfinished, witnessed the return to form of Napoleon Direct, who has been "out" since Cleveland owing to an accident in loading, and the unsexed son of Walter Direct gave Pop Geers a ride in 2:01½ and back in 2:02, unsteadiness costing him the third heat in much slower time. The day in detail:

Syracuse, Sept. 15.—The Kanoonoo, 2:24 trot, three-year-olds, purse $3,000:

Deroche, ch c by John A. McKerron.....(Geers) 1 1 1
Bondella, b f by Walnut Hall.....(Murphy) 3 2 2
Colorado Range, b c by Colorado E..(McDonald) 2 5 5
Northspur, Florence White and Rusticoat also started.
Time—2:08½, 2:09¼, 2:08¾.

American Horse Breeder Futurity, two-year-old trotters, purse $5,000:

Walnut Tree, b f by Siliko.....(Murphy) 1 1
Atlantika, ch f by Atlantic Express....(Dickerson) 2 2
Bingen Silk, b c by Bingen.....(Chandler) 3 3
Ollie Watts also started.
Time—2:12¼, 2:13.

Chamber of Commerce, 2:11 pace, purse $5,000:

Russell Boy, b h by Rustic Patenter.....(Geers) 6 1 1
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.....(McMahon) 1 2 2
Aconite, b h by Aquilin.....(Cox) 2 3 4
Queen Abbess, Judge Ormonde, Major Woolworth, Ashlook, Anna Carl and Peter Farren also started.
Time—2:02¼, 2:02¼, 2:03¼.

Empire State, 2:14 trot, purse $10,000:

Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great....(Murphy) 1 1 1
Worthy Prince, b h by Prince McKinney..(Cox) 2 5 2
Bronson, br g by Bingen.....(Graves) 8 2 7
Dick Watts, Lettie Lee, Loe Blossom, Miss Directed, The Guide, McCloskey and Todd Temple also started.
Time—2:05½, 2:05¼, 2:06¾.

To beat 1:59½ pacing (track record):

Directum I., ch h by Directum Kelly....(Murphy) won
Time—:29½, :58½, 1:27, 1:56¾.

To beat 2:07 trotting (track record, amateur):

Peter Mc., br h by Peter the Great..(Capt. Shaw) won
Time—:31, 1:03½, 1:35½, 2:06¼.

To beat 2:02 trotting:

Peter Volo, br h by Peter the Great.....(Murphy) lost
Time—:30¾, 1:01¼, 1:31¼, 2:02.

2:03 pace, purse $1,000 (unfinished):

Napoleon Direct, ch g by Walter Direct...(Geers) 1 1 4
Earl Jr., gr h by The Earl.....(Cox) 2 2 1
Lelia Patchen, bl m by Dan's Brother....(Snow) 4 3 2
R. H. Brett and King Couchman also started.
Time—2:01¼, 2:02, 2:07½.

Third Day at Syracuse.

Syracuse, Sept. 16—Another world's record was hung up here today when C. K. G. Billings drove his new champion, William, to a record of 1:59½ to wagon, the performance coming as the climax of an afternoon of great sport. Finishes were close throughout and the time fast, though not so sensational as yesterday. Mr. Geers and Napoleon Direct came back strong to take the final heat of the fast pace, while St. Frisco took the 2:20 trotters into camp in a decisive manner. Bonington also trotted a good race for Marse Edward in the Governor's stake, taking the final heat from Lee Axworthy in a thrilling drive. Jones Gentry upset the dope in the 2:06 pace, outclassing his field, and Alonzo McDonald gathered coin unto his exchequer and pleasure unto his bosom by being a double winner—with Miss Harris M. and also with Laramie Lad. The summaries:

Syracuse, Sept. 16.—2:03 pace (fourth heat only):

Napoleon Direct, ch g by Walter Direct.....(Geers) 1
Earl Jr., gr h by The Earl.....(Cox) 3
R. H. Brett, b g by Waponee.....(Grady) 2
Lelia Patchen and King Couchman also started.
Time—2:02¾.

The Syracuse, 2:20 trot, purse $2,000:

St. Frisco, b h by San Francisco.....(Geers) 1 1 1
Roy Miller, b h by Bingara.....(Grady) 2 2 2
Tommy Todd, b g by Todd Mac.....(Snow) 3 3 3
Kathryn Collette and Mary Guy also started.
Time—2:10¼, 2:10¼, 2:12.

2:18 pace, purse $1,000:

Miss Harris M., b f (3) by Peter the Great....
.....(McDonald) 1 1 1
Thistle Patch, bl h by Joe Patchen.....(Snow) 2 2 2
Clare Gentry, b m by John R. Gentry.....(Jones) 3 3 3
Hal Plex E. and Arden de Forest also started.
Time—2:08¼, 2:08¼, 2:08¾.

The Governor's Stake, 2:08 trot, purse $3,000:

Lee Axworthy, b h by Guy Axworthy..(Andrews) 1 1 2
Bonington, ch h by Bellini.....(Geers) 2 2 1
Lulu Lumine, b m by Orator.....(Murphy) 3 3 4
Duchess and Fair Virginia also started.
Time—2:05¼, 2:05¼, 2:06¼.

2:13 trot, purse $1,200:

Laramie Lad, b g by Master Bo...(McDonald) 2 1 1 1
Tommy de Forest, br h by The de Forest....
.....(Osborn) 1 3 3 2
Strafford, br h by Moko.....(Murphy) 5 4 2 5
Airdale, Nate Prime, Victor Star, The Expose and Parcliffe also started.
Time—2:09¼, 2:09¼, 2:08¼, 2:10¾.

2:06 pace, purse $1,000:

Jones Gentry, b g by John R. Gentry..(Ostrander) 1 1 1
Ben Locanda, b g by Locanda.....(Murphy) 5 2 2
Margot Hal, b m by Argot Hal.....(McDonald) 2 4 3
Baron A., Evelyn W. and Bingen Pointer also started.
Time—2:06¾, 2:03¼, 2:05½.

To beat 2:01¼ to wagon, pacing:

William, b h by Abe J.....(C. K. G. Billings) won
Time—:29¾, :59¼, 1:29¾, 1:59½.

G. G. T. B. A. RESULTS.

Eighteenth Day—Friday, September 10.

First race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: A. Littell's b g Jake Argent (aged) by Jake Sanders—Argentina, 111 lbs., (Burns) won easily; Rag (3), 108, second; Chas. Goetz (aged), 111, third; Vesta, Teeto, Loan Shark, Auto Maid, Finnigan, Ida, Helen Hawkins and Russell McGill also ran. Time, 1:08.

Second race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: J. Randolph's br f Baby Lynch (3) by Leonid—Queen Lithe, 107 lbs., (Nolan) won driving; Lady St. Patrick (3), 108, second; Miss Clark (5), 111, third; Engraver, Bill York, Boggy Johnson, Barbarita, Miss Edith and Make Good also ran. Time, 1:08.

Third race—Five furlongs, selling, two-year-olds, purse $250: El Palomar Stable's br f Bas Blancs by Chantilly—St. Zephyrine, 107 lbs., (Burns) won driving; Brooks, 115, second; Robert Lee, 105, third; She'll Do, Cuyama, Laughing Water, Lola and Frank Patterson also ran. Time, 1:02 1-5.

Fourth race—One mile, selling, purse $250: A. Neal's br m Nebraska Lass (aged) by Highland Lad—Kitty Balile, 111 lbs., (Leeds) won easily; Lady Young (6), 106, second; Fairly (4), 107, third; Superl, Eastman, Rey, Lady M. M. and Valadolid also ran. Time, 1:41.

Fifth race—Five furlongs, army horses, ridden by officers of the Army, Navy or Marine Corps: Satisfax (aged) bl m by Rock Sand—Satisfaction, 165 lbs., (Lt. Sands) won easily; Nabax, 165 (Lt. Stevenson) second; Kindness II., 165 (Capt. McNally) third; Chesspeak and Lady also ran. Time, 1:06

Sixth race—Seven furlongs, selling, purse $300: B. McClintinck's bl g Darkey (5) by Modred—Zirl, 118 lbs., (Washer) won easily; Ora McGee (6), 113, second; Conflagration (6), 115, third; Zoroaster, Quick, McAlan, Pro Realis, Hannis and Nannie McDee also ran. Time, 1:28.

Seventh race—Five furlongs, selling, purse $250: W. C. Weant's bl m Ann Tilly (5) by Isidor—Aranza II., 109 lbs., (Washer) won driving; Apache Kid (5), 111, second; Carondelet (aged), 123, third; Aunt Elsie, Van Horn, Bailey Beers and B. C. Winston also ran. Time, 1:01 3-5.

Nineteenth Day—Saturday, September 11.

First race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: H. T. Batchler's bl g John Hurie (5) by Right Royal—Etta Gilroy, 106 lbs., (Gross) won driving; Light Knight (aged), 108, second; Augustus Heinze (4), 107, third; Choctaw, Mammy, Auto Maid, Sheffield and Joe Busher also ran. Time, 1:08.

Second race—One mile, selling, purse $250: L. Stone's b f Bunny (3), 97 lbs., (Brazal) won driving; Commendation (aged), 108, second; Stolen Ante (3), 102, third; Tom Chapman, Hardy, Zamloch, Wasatch and Pro Realis also ran. Time, 1:41 3-5.

Third race—One mile, selling, purse $250: F. Mallory & Co.'s ch m Helen Hawkins (aged) by Cunard—Katie Walcott, 108 lbs., (Nolan) won easily; Tallow Dip (aged), 108, second; Merry Twinkle (3), 99, third; Renwar, Fort Johnson, Emelda, Sir Barry, Hannis and Clint Tucker also ran. Time, 1:42.

Fourth race—Five furlongs, Juvenile Handicap, two-year-olds, value $470: Schas & Bro.'sb g Ed Cudihee by Gold Ball—Purse Rose, 115 lbs., (Leeds) won driving; Rose Marian, 122, second; Washoe Belle, 115, third; Schulenburg, Von Lady and Frisky also ran. Time, 1:01 2-5.

Fifth race—Two furlongs, polo ponies, officers of Army, Navy or Marine Corps, cup to winner: Canela (Capt. Lee) won easily; Happy Hooligan (Lt. Stevenson) second; Dago Mike (Lt. Sands) third; Joker II. and Comet also ran. Time, :25 1-5.

Sixth race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: W. J. Dunn's ch h Tight Boy (4) by Serpent—Azuba, 116 lbs., (Washer) won easily; Custom House (4), 116, second; Old Bob (3), 109, third; Stelcliff, Kid Nelson, The Feller, John Spohn and Azurea also ran. Time, 1:07 2-5.

Seventh race—One mile, selling, purse $400: Daniels & Hodges' b g John Graham (aged) by Modred or Fake—Leenja, 109 lbs., (Palms) won easily; Brando (6), 102, second; Be (6), 106, third; El Pato and Alda also ran. Time, 1:40 2-5.

Twentieth Day—Monday, September 13.

First race—Six furlongs, selling, purse$250: D. K. Carter's b g Frank G. Hogan (aged) by Hawkswick—Wedding Day, 110 lbs., (Kirschbaum) won driving; In Dutch (4), 104, second; Smoky Dan (4), 101, third; Sheffie Renwar, Sweetdale, Russell McGill, Zinkand, Rey Shannon II. and Vespasian also ran. Time, 1:14 4-5.

Second race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, two-year-olds, purse $250: Nevada Stock Farm's b f Ma Jay by Hippodrome—Calyx, 109 lbs., (Washer) won driving; Toastmaster, 112, second; She'll Do, 109, third; Laughing Water, Cuyama, Lola, Robert Lee and Sovereign II. also ran. Time, 1:08 1-5.

Third race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: H. T. Batchler's b g Boggy Johnson (3) by Bonnie Joe—Dotta, 108 lbs., (Gross) won driving; Fred T. (3), 10 second; John Louis (aged), 115, third; Mandadero, Loft Heywood, Lillian Ray, Fort Johnson, Vesta, Quantity, E Fitzgerald and Tallow Dip also ran. Time, 1:15 1-5.

Fourth race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: Texa Stable's ch g Augustus Heinze (4) by Caesarion—Swee Eileen, 115 lbs., (Washer) won in a gallop; Cecil (5), 11 second; Acumen (aged), 119, third; Sonoma, Tordillo, An gelus, Far Cathay, Lady St. Patrick, Dr. Neufer an Aunt Elsie also ran. Time, 1:14 2-5.

Fifth race—One mile and a sixteenth, selling, purs $250: Alberta Stable's b g Conflagration (6) by Sta Ruby—Ashes, 105 lbs., (Taylor) won easily; Ora McGe (6), 105, second; Christmas Eve (4), 108, third; Southern Gold, Ceos, Cantem, Stolen Ante and Pro Realis also ran Time, 1:47 1-5.

Sixth race—Five and a half furlongs, purse $250: T Goulding's ch g Pajaroita II. (4) by Rey del Sierras—Aunt Bird, 113 lbs., (Frach) won driving; Headfort (4) 113, second; Batchler (3), 109, third; Joe Hooker, Syphon Boy, Gertrude B. and Brighouse also ran. Time, 1:07 4-5

Twenty-first Day—Tuesday, September 14.

First race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: G. Billerman's b g Diadi (5) by Bowling Green—Lady Dotte, 11 lbs., (Washer) won easily; Old Bob (3), 108, second; Custom House (4), 118, third; Old Coin, Kid Nelson, Mintanka, Wasatch, Electrowan and Rhodes also ran. Time 1:13 4-5.

Second race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: A. L Littell's b g Jake Argent (aged) by Jake Sanders—Argentina, 115 lbs., (Nolan) won driving; Miss Folly (4), 115 second; Mary Emily (6), 115, third; Faustina, John Hurie, Jennie Crawford, Canapa and Frazzle also ran. Time, 1:13 4-5.

Third race—Five furlongs, purse $250: F. S. Fountain's b m Zenotek (5) by Peep o' Day—Medica, 108 lbs., (Kirschbaum) won driving; John Spohn (3), 104, second; Miss Clark (5), 111, third; Teeto, Camia, Rag, Bredwell, Mi Alma, Miss Genevieve and Viva also ran. Time, 1:02 1-5.

Fourth race—Seven furlongs, purse $300: Nevada Stock Farm's b m Scarlet Oaks (4) by Dick Welles—Glena, 115 lbs., (Nolan) won driving; Rash (aged), 109, second; Kootenay (aged), 115, third; Be, Chas. W. Hodges and Thistle Belle also ran. Time, 1:27.

Fifth race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $250: J. Randolph's br f Baby Lynch (3) by Leonid—Queen Lithe, 108 lbs., (Nolan) won driving; Ann Tilly (5), 115, second; Tight Boy (4), 123, third; Butter Ball, Louise Paul, Light Knight, The Feller and Vespasian also ran. Time, 1:15.

Sixth race—One mile, selling, purse $250: M. Kennedy & Co.'s ch g Transparent (aged) by Smile—Little Pearl, 111 lbs., (Washer) won driving; Henry Walbank (aged), 111, second; Rey (aged), 111, third; Quick, Helen Hawkins, McAlan, Alda and Marie O'Brien also ran. Time, 1:41 2-5.

Twenty-second Day—Wednesday, September 15.

First race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: Freeman & Co.'s bl g Smoky Dan (4) by Otis—Yokohama, 107 lbs., (Hawkins) won driving; Lady James (3), 104, second; Chas. Goetz (aged), 103, third; Ida Pinack, Delaney, Van Horn, Russell McGill and Wynema also ran. Time, 1:07 3-5.

Second race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: J. Peter's ch f Ida Cummings (3) by Marta Santa—Francisca, 104 lbs., (Gross) won driving; Arrowshaft (aged), 108, second; Choctaw (5), 108, third; Miss Clark, Mammy, Joe Busher, Make Good and Queen Vergie also ran. Time, 1:07 4-5.

Third race—Five and a half furlongs, army horses, ridden by officers of Army, Navy or Marine Corps, cup to winner: Kindness II. (Capt. McNally) won easily; Joe (Lt. Stevenson) second; Chesspeak (Lt. Watson) third; Nabax, Dago Mike and Jim also ran. Time, 1:14 2-5.

Fourth race—One mile and a sixteenth, purse $300: John Lowe's ch g Brynlimah (5) by Bryn Mawr—Notlimah, 118 lbs., (Nolan) won driving; John Graham (aged), 112, second; Madella (5), 112, third; Star Shooter also ran. Time, 1:47 1-5.

Fifth race—One mile, selling, purse $250: Chicago Stable's br g Cecil (5) by Royal Flush III.—Tarpeia II., 108 lbs., (Gross) won handily; Fairly (4), 108, second; Tom Chapman (5), 109, third; Ceos, Fred T., Henry Walbank, Zamlock, Lillian Ray, Wasatch, Sir Barry and Bob Love also ran. Time, 1:42 2-5.

Sixth race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $300: L. B. Wood's b g Sweetbait (4) by Fisher Boy—Cupboard Love, 118 lbs., (Taplin) won easily; Metropolitan (aged), 121, second; Thistle Belle (aged), 118, third; Minco Jimmie, Headfort, Batchler and Ledettor also ran. Time, 1:13 3-5.

Seventh race—One mile, selling, purse $250: T. Hatfield's ch m Lady Young (6) by Henry Young—Masher, 106 lbs., (Brazal) won handily; Christmas Eve (4), 111, second; Nebraska Lass (aged), 111, third; Stelcliff, L. M. Eckert, Miss Tempo and Tordillo also ran. Time, 1:41.

DAIRY SHOW POSTPONED.

Seattle, Wash., September 9, 1915.

On September the 6th the directors of the Western National Dairy Show met and unanimously passed a resolution postponing the first exhibition to 1916. There were several reasons for so doing:

Few herds will be on the Pacific Coast this year, owing to the uncertainty about the foot and mouth disease; fewer dairy herds owned in the Pacific states will be shown than for some time; a suitable building in Seattle could not be obtained; the commercial bodies of the city had, prior to organization of the dairy show, appropriated all of their 1915 funds for conventions, etc.

Added to this was an apparent depression in the dairy industry.

Secretary Pace recommended the postponement for one year, and the recommendation was adopted, but an order was voted to resume the plans about January first for a larger show in 1916.

The Western National Dairy Show has been incorporated, and the present officers will continue their work, feeling certain that many of the obstacles encountered this year will disappear.

Bonnie Ansel, Teddy Bear and Kid Cupid were all race winners at Baker, Oregon, last week. Baker's meeting was the best in her history.

NOTES and NEWS

Hal Boy 2:02¼.
Peter Mc. 2:06¼.
Directum I. 1:56¾.
Russell Boy 2:02¼.
Deroche (3) 2:08½.
Napoleon Direct 2:01¼.
Walnut Tree (2) 2:12¼.
All winning performances.
Peter Volo (4) 2:02 in a losing trial.
Evidently, Wednesday at Syracuse was one of those kind" of days.

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Don't forget Phoenix—closes Oct. 1.

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Single G. grabbed the 2:07 pace at Syracuse.

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Margaret Druien seems to have a strangle hold on hose fast trotting classes.

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Members of the Sonoma Valley Driving Club will hold a matinee tomorrow at Sonoma, Joe Ryan being he "guiding spirit."

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Mark this one up in the book—Lulu Lumine has won a race for Tommy Murphy. With Peter Scott and Mirthful she is entered in the big trotting stake at the exposition this fall.

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Zomblack, Charley DeRyder's trotter-pacer-trotter —anything to oblige!—was second to The Proof Thursday at Milwaukee over a very heavy track. Wonder how Charley will race him at the exposition?

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The Proof and Geo. N. Patterson were among the money winners at Milwaukee Thursday on a wet track, The Proof being first in the 2:21 trot and the colt taking second in the event for three-year-olds.

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W. P. McNair of Douglas, Arizona, paid a flying visit to the P.-P. I. E. a few days ago, being bound for the northwest to fill a number of engagements as starter on the North Pacific Fair Circuit.

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William annexed another world's record Thursday at Syracuse when Mr. Billings drove him to wagon in 1:59½, the performance supplanting the 2:01½ of Little Boy, made some years ago at Memphis, also driven by Mr. Billings.

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Yes, gentle reader, there were gentle showers on opening day at Syracuse, as per usual. Say, the Grand Circuiters would feel right at home in the Willamette Valley this season, ne c'est pas? The latter phrase is Horse Review for "eh, kid?"

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The halfmile track at Pleasanton will be put in condition for the use of the runners exclusively, and quite a number of thoroughbreds will winter at the MacKenzie plant. Thirty stalls have already been engaged by George Wingfield, who will have them filled up with candidates for next year's stakes, to be handled by Trainer George Strate.

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As a result of a dinner wager, Vera Hal and Happy Dentist met Wednesday morning at the Stadium in a match race, minus hobbles, Harold Cohn and Freddie Lauterwasser being the pilots. The mare won in two well contested heats in which the time was a real surprise—2:10 and 2:10¼. This is better than Happy has been doing wearing 'em.

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Every once in a while someone predicts that the then existing world's record will never be broken. Then about the next week, or the next month, or not later than the next season, that poor old record gets all bent up in a horrible manner. Prophecy, like a little learning, seems to be a very dangerous thing when it comes to this championship record business.

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Horses for the shows at the exposition are beginning to arrive in goodly numbers, and the stables now occupied by the runners will fill right up again with the prize ring champions. The stable of Miss Loula Long of Kansas City is among the most notable of the early arrivals, headed by the unbeaten saddle stallion, My Major Dare.

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S. Christenson has sent his good two-year-old trotter, Natal Day, back to the stable of his former trainer, Colonel Jim Thompson, at Sacramento. Mr. Christenson also shipped to Honolulu this week a number of horses, drafters, thoroughbreds and polo ponies, which he had recently assembled here for friends in the islands.

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Future Tramp continues to occupy the place of honor in the wireless reports from Pleasanton, where he is hanging up some fast time in his work. Recently mention was made of a mile trotted in 2:16¼, the last half being in 1:01¼, and on Friday of last week he went the route in 2:08, with the last half in 1:02. Apparently R. J. MacKenzie meant every word of it last fall when he stated that neither Spriggan nor Future Tramp were being sold for any fault.

Will Green, who went to Sydney with Don Pronto, has been in charge of that aristocratic gentleman ever since he arrived there, and seems well pleased with Australia and her horsemen, as he shows no signs of coming home.

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Secretary Shaughnessy of the Arizona State Fair has been a visitor at various California points this week, en route home from a business trip to the northwest. Mr. Shaughnessy is rustling entries right and left for his speed program, and expects a week of fine sport in spite of the reduction in the appropriation for the speed department. From this city the popular secretary hied himself to Sacramento, where he was sure of a royal welcome from C. W. Paine and other friends, while Los Angeles and San Diego are also included in his itinerary.

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Horsemen who go to Riverside for the fair will have further opportunity for racing immediately thereafter at Santa Ana, where the Orange County Fair will be held October 12-15. Santa Ana has a mile track and half a dozen harness races are carded, open to all, in addition to a couple of events for local horses and a number of runs. Ed R. Smith is the secretary, and as entries close September 25, horsemen who expect to be in that neighborhood in October should write at once for entry blanks and full particulars.

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We have an occasional inquiry as to what horses are eligible to the big stakes at the exposition this fall, and submit the following: For the 2:10 trot, Baby Doll, Tropic Dawn, Virginia Barnette, Peter McCormick, A. R. G., Wilbur Lou, Esperanza, Electric Patch, Spriggan, Miss Perfection, Sea Waif, San Felipe, Axtien, Peter Scott, Lulu Lumine and Mirthful, while for the 2:06 pace there are Loch Lomond, College Gent, White Sox, O. U. C., Hemet, Impetuous Palmer, Princess Patch, Zomblack, Patrick de Oro, The Beaver, Little Bernice, Rose Equity, Hal Boy, Red Rock, Walnut Grove, Major Ong, Peter Farren, Hal S. and Alcy E.

FERNDALE, CAL.

Sept. 7.—Free-for-all:
Emmaline Dillon, br m by Guy Dillon.....1 1 1
Maude McAttee, b m by Cassiar.....2 2 2
Landis B., br g by Timothy D. .....
Time—2:12¾, 2:24, 2:14½.

Two-year-old pace:
Don Remo, b g by Irving Pointer.....2 1 1
Mabel J., ch m by Fred Dillon.....1 2 2
Time—2:30, 2:32½, 2:41¾.

Sept. 8.—2:30 trot and pace:
Bonnie, b m by Bonnie Steinway..... 1 1
Ramona, bl m by Cassiar..... 2 2
Frank Ellery, b g by Cassiar..... 3 3
Time—2:19¼, 2:20.

2:30 trot:
McAdrian, b s by Guy McKinney..... 1 1
Lady Steinmoor, gr m by Bonnie Steinmoor..... 2 2
Helen Ray, b m by Monterey..... 3 3
Mamie K., br m by Crusados..... 4 4
Time—2:35½, 2:26.

Sept. 9.—Three-year-old trot and pace:
Lady Dillon, b m by Frank Dillon.....2 1 1
Eureka Girl, bl m by Nearest McKinney.....1 2 2
Philip Pointer, b g by Irving Pointer.....3 3 3
Time—2:39, 2:35, 2:30.

2:24 pace:
Bonnie, b g by Bonnie Steinway.....2 2 * 1 1 1
Ramona, bl m by Cassiar.....1 1 * 2 2 2
Don Portola, br g by Merry Mack.....3 3 3 3 3 3
Little Light, b m by Nutwood Wilkes.....4 ds
*Dead heat.
Time—2:21½, 2:20, 2:19¾, 2:22, 2:26, 2:35.

Sept. 10.—Free-for-all trot and pace:
Emmaline Dillon, br m by Guy Dillon.....1 1 1
Maude McAttee, b m by Cassiar.....2 2 2
Time—2:13¼, 2:17¾, 2:18.

Consolation trot and pace:
Little Light, b m by Nutwood Wilkes..... 1 1
Maxine K., br m by Crusados..... 2 2
Time—2:47½, 2:45.

LAST DAY AT HARTFORD.

Hartford, Sept. 10.—After taking the program yesterday, Tommy Murphy threatened to repeat the performance again today in the closing card at Charter Oak Park, annexing two firsts and one second out of the three events raced, Walter Cox and the old standby pacer Camelia being the only bars to his ambitions.

What probably pleased Murphy more than anything alse during the week was the winning performance today of the little western trotter Lulu Lumine. Almost two years ago she was purchased by A. B. Çosden of New York at a good stiff price, $12,500, and up until today had never won a race for him. Her first and fastest heat of the race that broke the jinx was in 2:06¼, after which things were easier. Trampright had a straight heat win from Kitty L. Bellini and a number of other fair trotters, and Hal S. forced Camelia to pace in 2:04¾ to beat him. The results:

Hartford, Sept. 10—2:11 trot, purse $2,000:
Lulu Lumine, b m by Orator.....(Murphy) 1 1 1
Earlwood L., b g by Earl of Chatham..(Crozier) 2 2 2
Bronson, br g by Bingen.....(Graves) 3 3 3
Victor Star, Baron Aberdeen, Adbell M., Parcliffe and Nathan Axworthy also started.
Time—2:06¼, 2:07¼, 2:09½.

2:14 pace, purse $2,000:
Camelia, br m by Cummer.....(Cox) 1 1 1
Hal S., ro g by Hal Chaffin.....(Murphy) 2 3 2
Budd Elliott, br g by Prodigal.....(Geers) 5 2 3
Baby Bertha, Altawood and Bingen Pointer also started.
Time—2:04¾, 2:06, 2:07¾.

2:15 trot, purse $1,000:
Trampright, b m by Trampfast.....(Murphy) 1 1 1
Kitty L. Bellini, gr m by Bellini.....(Hinds) 4 2 2
Idora Worthy, b m by Guy Axworthy..(Rodney) 8 5 2
Almah, Audrey Grey, Ginger Boy, Vallette, Princess Nelda, Auslbrook and Lucy Reynolds also started.
Time—2:10¼, 2:09¾, 2:09¾.

BAKER, OREGON.

[Report by Jos. Waddell.]

Baker, Ore., Sept. 11.—While the Baker County Fair which came to a close here today was not a member of the North Pacific Circuit it attracted all the best horses in the northwest and the racing was of a very high order, the meeting being by far the best one ever held here. Lady Hal established a new track record of 2:09¼, and save for unfavorable weather conditions today, caused by a strong, cold wind, the northwestern two-lap records for both trotters and pacers would undoubtedly have been lowered.

But one untoward event occurred during the week. H. Squires of Portland, manager and driver of Oakland Moore, after stating that the horse was all right and ready to race in the 2:12 trot, and without giving other notice to the judges or secretary, took the horse from the grounds and shipped him while the race was in progress. The judges fined him $100 and ordered him suspended for two years. The summaries:

Baker, Ore., Sept. 8.—2:18 pace, purse $400:
Lady Hal, b m by Hal B.....(Hogoboom) 1 1 1
Scarlet Trent, b g by Parovas.....(Brown) 4 2 2
Mack Fitzsimmons, ch g by Bob Fitzsimmons..
.....(Helman) 2 3 4
.....(Squires) 3 4 3
Hal Bear, b g by Hal B.....
St. Elmo (Gholson) 5-5-5, Indian Hal (Truesdale) 8-7-6, Sonoma Maid (Stiman) 7-8-7, Molly (Leggett) 6-6-dr., Rothada (Butcher) 9-ds.
Time—2:09¼, 2:12, 2:12½.

2:25 trot, purse $400:
Floradora Z., b m by Zombro.....(Guion) 1 1 1
Hallie B., b m by Hal B.....(Swisher) 2 2 4
Eloise Dell, br m by Alconda Jay.....(Daniels) 7 7 2
Novela, b m by Letrado.....(Stetson) 3 3 3
Gen. Brightheart (Brady) 4-4-6, Marie Fitzsimmons (Swank) 8-5-6, Arenga (Butcher) 6-5-8, Amy McKinney (Wilbourne) 5-8-7.
Time—2:19½, 2:19½, 2:19¼.

Sept. 9.—2:15 pace, purse $400:
Prince Zolock, bl h by Zolock.....(Helman) 1 2 1
Scarlet Trent, b g by Parovas.....(Brown) 3 1 *
Jennie May, br m by Hal B.....(Squires) 2 4 4
Belle Smith, br m by The Blacksmith(Hogoboom) 5 5 2
Soumise (Leggett) 4-6-3, St. Elmo (Stanford) 6-3-5.
*Accident, placed.
Time—2:12½, 2:13, 2:15.

2:18 trot, purse $400:
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel.....(Spencer) 1 1 1
Hallie B., b m by Hal B.....(Swisher) 2 2 3
Arenga, b g by McV.....(Wilbourne) 3 5 2
Marguerite A., br m by Zombro.....(Guion) 5 3 4
Marie Fitzsimmons (Swank) 5-4-5.
Time—2:18, 2:20, 2:23.

Sept. 10.—2:25 pace, purse $400:
Lady Hal, b m by Hal B.....(Hogoboom) 1 1 1
Mack Fitzsimmons, ch g by Bob Fitzsimmons..
.....(Helman) 2 3 2
.....(Squires) 3 2 3
Hal Bear, b g by Hal B.....(Young) 4 4 4
Nellie J., b m by Zolock.....
Time—2:10, 2:12½, 2:17½.

2:30 trot, purse $400:
Floradora Z., b m by Zombro.....(Guion) 4 1 1
Columbia T., b m by Bon Guy.....(Daniels) 1 2 4
Amy McKinney, bl m by McKinney..(Wilbourne) 5 5 2
Novela, b m by Letrado.....(Stetson) 3 3 3
Perrieo (Squires) 2-4-ds.
Time—2:16¼, 2:18, 2:20½.

Sept. 11.—2:10 pace, purse $500:
Teddy Bear, b h by Del Coronado.....(Daniels) 1 1 1
Harold Welcome, b h by Welcome.....(Butcher) 2 2 2
Allerdaw, br g by Allertonian.....(Hogoboom) 3 3 3
Haltamont, b h by Hal B.....(Todd) 4 4 4
Delmas (Wilbourne) 5-5-dr.
Time—2:12, 2:12, 2:13¾.

2:12 trot, purse $500:
Kid Cupid, ch g by Cupid.....(Daniels) 1 1 1
Dan Matthews, b g by Eagle Blood.....(Brown) 2 3 2
Nuristo, br g by Nushagak.....(Spencer) 3 2 3
Time—2:17¼, 2:15¼, 2:16¼.

DON PRONTO VIEWED AT SYDNEY AS SEASON OPENS.

The new season was opened at Sydney by the Australian Trotting Club auspiciously at Victoria Park last Friday afternoon. The weather conditions were delightful and the attendance was large. Not less than three fresh records were put up for the course (one by Huon Junior's grandson, Rock Boy, who won a double, one by Percy, and the other by a grandson of Ribbonwood, the five-year-old horse Ribbon Boy, in the first event). As the square-gaited trotter Win All, a son of Winn Alto, won the next race in a field of 17, a sister of his sire being second, the opening results of the season were highly pleasing to the Richmond stud owner, Mr. A. D. Playfair.

The fixture will also be memorable, for at it the recently imported unhoppled pacer Don Pronto 2:02¼ made his first appearance on an Australian course. He was paraded in the Birdcage before an admiring crowd, and later on gave an exhibition of pacing, being driven three times up and down the straight on the central grass track by Green, who had charge of him on the voyage from California, and since his arrival in this country. Owners and breeders of trotting horses were much interested in the handsome black, and closely watched him in action. Don Pronto has put on condition since his owner (Mr. R. C. Simpson) has had him at Armidale. Of course he did not show any of his great speed, but the experts were impressed by the manners of the Don and the delight he took in having his few brief spins under conditions which were entirely new to him.To nearly every onlooker it was a revelation to see the black, who closely resembles a thoroughbred, perfectly pacing, without the semblance of a mistake. Mr. A. R. Payten, who judged the trotting classes at Sydney a few days ago, remarked that Don Pronto's general conformation was almost perfect; he had all the good points of the thoroughbred, his shoulders were particularly good, sloping well back, and was well let down in the hocks, with good length from the hips back to the round-bone.—Australian Trotting Record.

THE VALUE OF THE STOCK SHOW.

The growth of the improved live stock industry is an interesting study. During some generations of men this improvement has been made more rapidly than at other times, but at best it has been much too slow for the good of agricultural communities. This was due to the conservatism of many, which made them over-cautious about making changes in their methods of life-work, and to the open doubt and active opposition of some who are never ready for improvement.

From the time when progressive farmers began to breed better live stock the question of showing the public the importance of this improvement became imperative. So the value of advertising was recognized at an early day, and an effective form of it was to exhibit the results of improved blood.

Facts that come to the mind by aid of the eye are more readily accepted than those received through some other channel; hence early breeders resorted to the practical method of exhibiting their improved live stock to prove its superiority to the public.

A history of the inception and growth of stock shows would no doubt be interesting, but it would be too lengthy for an article of this character. Whatever might be said about the improvement of horses in ancient times, it is a matter of history that the exhibition of beef cattle is almost coexistent with the first efforts to improve them.

During the latter part of the eighteenth century Chas. and Robt. Colling called public attention to their Shorthorns and impressed their merit by the exhibition of a fat steer called the Durham Ox and a purebred heifer that is known in history as the "White heifer that traveled," because of her extensive exhibition through several counties of England. That these exhibitions were valuable to the Collings as a means of calling public attention to their cattle is clearly proved by the great crowds that assembled to see them.

The Durham Ox was sold in February, 1801, for £140, to be exhibited with an admission fee, and he proved such an attraction and his exhibition value rose so rapidly that in six months his owner was offered £2,000 ($10,000) for the steer. This was a remarkable record, and while it has something of the sensational about it, yet it shows the value in that early day of exhibitions as a means of impressing the merit of improved live stock. This exhibition was inaugurated by the Collings as a means of educating the farmers and stockmen, but it was changed by Mr. Bulmer into a scheme to make money by showing the sensational steer. Whatever benefit the public may have derived from these exhibitions, they were the harbingers of the modern stock shows. These are now regarded as essential to any progressive agricultural community, and their benefit is not limited to exhibitors who may thereby find a market for surplus stock, but it is largely educational, and is shared by every visitor who is willing to learn better methods, and who will take the time to study the excellent models of live stock form on exhibition.

It is here the farmer who is raising scrubs sees something better, and if he is progressive and ambitious he will invest in improved stock and so become an advocate of the gospel of good blood. The stock show too is where breeders compare standards, and see wherein one has succeeded and another failed. To the exhibitors themselves this comparison of standards, if honestly and unselfishly made, may fully compensate for the loss of prizes. The careful student of animal form will examine very carefully the exhibits of his competitors to see wherein his own stock may be improved. To this extent the shows are educational to exhibitors as well as spectators, and exhibitors who do not receive some such value from these annual comparisons are narrow or self-satisfied, or both.

Some extravagant language has been used to portray the value of some exhibitions of the past, representing them as being able to teach all that is worth knowing about live stock; but with due allowance for exaggerated statements these shows, when well managed, have proved a strong incentive to live stock improvement.

Farmers who are held close to home by the inexorable demand of farm work, with insufficient help, will manage to take a vacation during state fair week, and so see the evidence of improvement in all lines of agriculture. The stock shows stimulate competition among breeds and exhibitors, and so foster improvement in the various classes of stock; they encourage farmers to try improved stock and better methods, and they educate the public to the importance and value of improvement in all lines of agricultural effort.

It is impossible accurately to estimate the real value of the shows to the live stock industry. But while they have been a wonderful stimulus to improvement, there has been a transformation in the shows themselves. In character and management many of them are as unlike their prototypes of twenty years ago as modern prizewinners are different from their ancestors of a few generations ago. It is fortunate therefore that there has been improvement both in stock and stock shows.

Those who can compare the shows of twenty or thirty years ago with those of the present time will have no difficulty in noting the progress that has been made. The improvement is in the equipment of grounds and buildings, the elimination of archaic and unreasonable rules and a more progressive and accommodating management.

At some shows of the past the secretaries seemed to think their duties consisted largely in giving curt answers to perplexed exhibitors and in drawing their salaries, but the modern secretary is expected to conduct the show with ability and promptness and with accommodation and courtesy to patrons. If he fails to do so he will soon be dismissed. One of the unreasonable requirements adopted years ago by many county and some state fairs was a rule requiring two or more entries in order that exhibitors could draw the full amount of prizes. A very successful county fair in Missouri had this requirement, but had such liberal patronage and large entries that there had been no opportunity to enforce it. An exhibitor in an adjoining state who had seen the liberal prizes offered by this fair wrote its secretary asking him if he would enforce the rule requiring competition, stating he did not care to ship his cattle so far if only half the premium was to be paid. The secretary replied that he would have to enforce the rules, but he would guarantee competition. Acting on this guaranty, the cautious exhibitor shipped his cattle to the fair and found such hot competition that his winnings scarcely paid his stall rent.

At an Illinois fair where this rule was in force, an exhibitor of hogs discovered before the exhibition began that he had the only herd of his breed that had been entered. Not wishing to be limited to half the prize money, he persuaded a near-by breeder to ship in his herd in order to furnish competition, promising to pay all entry fees. When the show was over, the herd that came by special invitation to furnish competition had won all the first prizes.

Another unreasonable and unsatisfactory custom of early shows was to defer the selection of judges until the beginning of the fair, and then choose from among men present who could be persuaded to serve. Three men were sent into the ring to award the prizes, working as a committee. In many instances each man selected a different animal, so that an additional judge had to be sent in, and as his vote was not confined to the animals already selected by the other judges he sometimes picked a different one, thus confusing and prolonging the contest. In many instances five or six judges were selected before a decision could be reached. Frequently some of the judges selected were partial to certain exhibitors and more often those chosen were incompetent.

Within my knowledge a show was held where three men were asked to award the prizes on Shorthorns. In the ring for aged bulls two judges voted for one bull and the other cast his ballot for another, but in awarding the second prize he left his first choice bull and voted for a different one for second money.

From Sanders' "Shorthorn Cattle" I have taken an incident that was certainly remarkable and may be of interest in this connection. It shows the absurdity of this system of selecting judges then in vogue. At the United States Cattle Show, held at Springfield, O., in 1857, a prize of $500 was competed for by five herds—two from Ohio, two from Kentucky and one from Indiana, the latter being Gen. Sol Meredith's. There were five judges, and they must have been firm and much averse to compromise, for two of them voted for the Indiana herd, two for an Ohio herd and one for a Kentucky herd. After ballotin for two days without a decision, they unanimousl agreed on the recommendation that no premium b awarded, but that the money be retained by th society. Their recommendation was approved an the herd contest was never decided. Such a pr tracted contest does not necessarily imply incompe tence of the judges, but it does furnish ground fo the belief that their judgment was influenced b personal considerations and that they were exceed ingly obstinate.

A similar experience today would make the show the laughing stock of all exhibitors, but under ou plan of selecting judges such a fiasco is impossible Fair managers now exercise great care in selectin judges, and with few exceptions the men are compe tent, their decisions are correct and their work ha an educational value to spectators; but there is a occasional exception, a mistake on the part of those who choose the judge.

The writer remembers watching the work of one judge who had been imported from over the sea and in awarding the five prizes in a ring of steers the best one in the lot was left out of the money Fortunately such blunders are rare, and an unappre ciated value of the modern stock show is that judges are well qualified and that the animals they select as prizewinners serve as models which stockmen study and by which they estimate the progress that is being made by that breed. But while these decisions are quite helpful to many as a means of determining excellence in animal form, there are some stockmen who seem utterly unable to profit by them, just as there are some boys and young men who go through school without deriving any particular benefit from their association with careful and wise instructors. Men of this class sometimes breed live stock for a lifetime without producing an animal that is a credit to the breed.

A few years ago a man of this class was exhibiting his cattle at a state fair under the decisions of a man whose judgment was highly respected by most exhibitors. As the show progressed, this exhibitor received no prizes except a few minor ones in the class of specials offered by his breed association. He made frequent complaints to the judge, who good-anturedly told him that his cattle had been carefully examined. When the ring for get of sire was shown and this disgruntled exhibitor did not draw a prize he took the judge to task severely, saying, "Can't you see the uniformity of my entry? The calves are just like their sire."

This criticism was more than the little English-American judge could endure, patiently, so he replied with some emphasis:

"Yes, your bull is a scalawag and his calves are all like him."

This is a true narration of the incident, with the omission of some adjectives that were used.

The stock show of today is well-esteemed by farmers and stockmen, who regard it as a school of instruction in the art of better breeding and as a distributor of improved blood; but it will never be appreciated to the full extent of its valuable contribution to improved live stock and better farming.—B. O. Cowan, Breeders' Gazette.



One of the kind to be seen at the P.-P. I. E. shows
NEWAD HILLSIDE
A Shire stallion imported by Henry Wheatley, of Salvador Stock Farm, Napa.

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A SLANDER ON THE LIVES OF ANIMALS.

In the following story—based on the lifetime of hirty-five years of hunting and trapping in the wilder parts of both North and South America, Will Frakes, a writer well known to California sportsmen, shows n an interesting narrative, that many of the statements about the habits and divers other beliefs regarding many species of wild animals, are entirely at variance with the facts:

Some of the beliefs that I am about to declare are absolutely wrong in every particular are so long standing, have been on record so long, and are so thoroughly believed in by humanity all over the world, that I shall only bring censure upon myself by declaring their fallacy. But as I do not have to depend on my pen for a living, and as I have no reputation to lose, I can afford to tell the truth as I have seen and learned it, regardless of all statements to the contrary by whoever made, solely and only for the sake of truth and the slandered animals.

It is a strange fact that whenever any fallacy gets thoroughly implanted in the minds of a great many human beings, no matter how senseless or silly it may be, how contrary to all reason, nor how often visible evidence may give it the lie direct, it is a slow, hard process to eradicate it.

Here and there, the world over, there are a few real hunters and naturalists who start out in life to search for truth for the sake of truth. But the great majority are simply searching for foundations to bolster theories that are as wild, if beautiful, as they are senseless and untrue.

Now what I am about to tell you I cannot, of course (with the vast amount of perfectly reliable long-standing evidence to the contrary), expect you to believe. But I do respectfully ask you to investigate it; and when you find that it is true—for you will never find that it is untrue—give me credit.

I think it is better that I begin with the milder beliefs that are thought by the general public to be positive and undeniable facts, and gradually lead up to the greater ones. For if I stated the greater ones first, you might be so disgusted that you would not read any further, and I rather wish that you would finish the story, just to see how bad it really is.

Now I do not suppose there are any of you but what have read hunting stories; and a few of you have probably written them; but did you ever read one in your life, or ever write one, but what in the story somewhere, some of the boys dropped an animal in its tracks with a bullet through its heart?

Now all through the complexity of nature there are exceptions and variations that can not always be understood nor accounted for; but in the instances that I am about to mention they will not happen once in a hundred times. And, barring these rare exceptions, I declare that all such statements are misstatements; that no animal drops dead in its tracks when it has been shot through the heart. Furthermore, I say that a shot through the heart will not knock the animal down; more than that, I insist that although his heart might be shot to fragments it would not even stagger him, unless at the same time he has been shot through one of the shoulders.

An animal shot through the heart will always jump and run with all the might there is in it till it bleeds to death. It will run, according to its speed, from 50 to 100 yards, before it falls. A shot through the big part of the lungs is just as deadly and will kill as quickly as a shot through the heart. In my life I think I have shot as many as one hundred of the larger animals through the heart, but never in any instance did they fail to run some distance before they died. And in all my wanderings I have never met any real true hunter whose experience does not confirm mine. But there is no lack of evidence but what it can be done any day in the week in a downtown office with a typewriter.

But although it is an "established fact" that every animal drops dead in its tracks when it is shot through the heart, there is one that does not: the grizzly bear. "Shooting him through the heart does not hurt him very much, at any rate it does not kill him for a good while." All such statements are so silly and senseless that it is a wonder that any editor would ever publish such bosh. A grizzly bear shot through the heart will live about as long as any other animal would with a similar shot; two or three minutes, not longer. But if a man was within 25 or 30 yards of a grizzly, and shot the bear's heart to rags, it would not disable him in the least, and the bear would have plenty of time and life to get the man and tear him to pieces before he died himself.

If you ever find yourself in close quarters with a very dangerous animal—if you have any time to choose—shoot him through the head. If you can not do that, let him have it through the back, hips or neck; or, if you have a very hard-shooting gun, smash him through the shoulders. Any of these shots will "drop him in his tracks," and either kill or disable him so badly that you will have plenty of time to shoot him where you please after that.

Du Chaillu, the famous African hunter, always allowed gorillas and other dangerous animals to come very close to him before he fired, and then dropped them dead in their tracks with a bullet through the heart. So he says! But Du Chaillu was undoubtedly a great hunter, and knew better than this when he wrote it; but he wanted fame, and he wanted money; it sounded good, and this dead-shot-heart-business was so thoroughly believed in by nearly every one, that for him to have denied it would have been to hame stamped himself a faker.

Once, while I was hunting in South Africa, a young Englishman brought in a deer that he had shot through the heart. When I saw that the deer had been shot through the heart, I asked him how far it ran before it fell.

"Why, where were you?" he asked, "I didn't see anything of you out there."

"I was here at the house," said I, "but I know that it ran some with that kind of a shot."

He looked at me in a wild sort of way, and said: "Well, to tell you the truth, the deer did run 60 or 70 yards after I shot it; but it was such an extraordinary occurrence—shot through the heart, don't you know, and should have dropped in its tracks—that I did not dare to mention it for fear of being taken for a faker." Du Chillu had this same weakness.

And now, here is another hunter's pet that I am going to try to smash. Of course I shall not be able to do it, it is far more formidable, terrifying and frightful than any shot through the heart could ever be. There are far more witnesses to substantiate the truth of it, and it has been put on record thousands of times by people so eminently respectable that their words cannot be doubted; and still, I declare that it is untrue.

Now where is there a hunter from British America to Tierra del Fuego, even of limited experience, who has not sat by his campfire in some of the great forests or in some of the rocky mountain ranges, and heard that "wild, weird scream, that sounded as though it might have come from the lips of a dying woman," the scream of the panther? It makes the cold chills run up your back, and however brave you may be you are pretty apt to see that your weapons are in easy reach and in shooting order.

And now, in spite of all this I declare that no one in this world ever heard a panther scream, "holler," roar, or make any noise of that description. By a panther, I mean the "California lion," or "American lion," or "cougar," scientifically known as Felis concolor. Go to any zoological park and you will hear African lions roar, wolves howl, and sometimes a fox will bark; but if you can only live till you can hear an American lion scream, you will never die.

I was born in California and have hunted from here to the Argentine Republic in South America. I hunted for ten years in the Gran Chaco forests of North Argentine, where cougars are very plentiful, and never heard one scream anywhere, at any time in my whole life of wandering. More than that: I never saw any real hunter that ever did.

I was once talking with my friend T. S. Van Dyke, the famous writer of hunting stories, and asked him if he had ever heard an American lion scream.

"No," said he, with a quiet smile, "nor do I suppose any one else ever did."

Now I do not doubt but what there are a great many people who honestly believe they have heard lions scream; and I do not doubt but what they heard something make a noise, but it was not a lion.

The big horned owl does something besides hoot; sometimes he screams in a wild, weird way that can be heard for a long distance; and if he is in the timber, or in some canyon where the sound will be prolonged, it has a terrifying effect, even when you know what it is.

I once read an account of a man that was riding home in the night through the woods, when a panther suddenly screamed up in a tree just over his head. His horse became frantic and ran away with him—he did not say so, but I expect he tried to stop the horse with his whip. When he arrived home, which was only a short distance, he returned to the tree with his gun and dogs, but the lion had come down; still his dogs tracked it up and the man killed it.

Now this is positive evidence that a lion does scream, and it would hold good forever were it not for a class of people like myself, that go nosing around after truth and just ruin some of the finest stories in the world.

But here is just how easy one may be mistaken sometimes: One morning I heard some coyotes not far from my camp, and thinking that I might get a shot at them, picked up my rifle and slipped up onto a little ridge where I thought they were. When it seemed that I must be nearly to them, they stopped their noise but I could not see them anywhere. But from about where they evidently were, two deer ran out of the brush and went tearing off down a canyon.

Now, as far as circumstantial evidence goes, there is just as much reason to believe that those deer were doing that howling, as there is to prove that the noise the man heard was a lion's scream.

And again: Had that lion been in a tree, and had the least intention of attacking the man, it would have been against all laws of animal nature for it to have screamed and frightened him away. If lions hunted in that manner they would soon all starve to death. On the other hand, had the lion feared the man he never would have screamed and so made known his presence to his most dangerous enemy.

Now about the fact of the business was: That some old owl lit in that tree and screamed about the time he was passing under it, stampeded his gun and dogs, and he accidentally came on to and killed some lion that just happened to be there. An American lion is a very sneaking, cowardly animal, and I never knew of one attacking a human being.

And here is another "old gag" that is a great favorite with new hunters. There is a measure of truth in this one, but the truth is invariably gagged to death by the man who peered into the black darkness, and saw two livid balls of fire glaring at him, that he knew to be the eyes of a lion.

Now, as a matter of fact a lion's eyes do not shine in the dark, neither do the eyes of any other animal on earth. If it is dark and you are near a light that shines in the face of the animal, and it is looking at you, its eyes will reflect the light, and they usually appear to be green, or red; but put your light out, and you will find that a lion's eyes will glare with about the lustre of two balls of mud. An animal's eyes simply act as reflectors for the light rays, but do not emit any light of themselves; and all statements that a lion's eyes shine in the darkness are certainly wrong.

The hunter that sees the two balls of fire glaring at him in the darkness, always grabs up his rifle and draws a bead exactly between them—a thing no man ever did, for one of the best reasons in the world: you can not see the front sight when you hold the gun up to shoot in the night, let alone "draw a bead."

There is another thing that old hunters never have any trouble with and which is a great source of excitement to the tyro: the screeching of wildcats. And even the coons will screech for them sometimes.

And another senseless belief is that a rattlesnake can not bite until after it has sounded its rattles. Bosh! You might chop its rattles off, and half the snake along with them, and threw them over the fence, and still the snake could bite, and would do it, too, if anything came near it.

There is no truth in the story that a snake will crawl up and deliberately bite a sleeping person. Misunderstood and despised, many of them harmless and almost helpless, the poor snake has a hard time. Could they only know the scandalous libels that are put upon them they would certainly bite more than they do.

But of all the exaggerated nonsense heaped upon any poor dumb brute, what I am about to tell you now, "takes the cake." I have saved this till the last, for I think that by this time maybe you can stand it. It does seem as though I would hardly dare to tell such horrible truths when I well know that it would be far better for me to tell untruths and stand in with the crowd.

The animal that I now wish to tell you about is the musk-hog, or peccary (Dicotyles torquatus). Now there is not even a school boy but what knows the nature of this fearless and terribly savage beast. Every traveler that ever went to South Africa and hunted any has had narrow escapes, and can vouch from personal experience to the ferocity of these animals, and to the undoubted danger there is in hunting them, or even in hunting in jungles where the peccaries are liable to be met with. Every Natural History tells of the nature of this "terror of the jungles." And still, I declare that a peccary is one of the most cowardly, timid, and inoffensive animals in existence.

Should you ever have the luck to come onto a band of peccaries, the only possible danger that might happen would be that the poor hogs would get out of sight before you could get a shot at them. They would be no more liable to charge on you than a band of deer would be, and they would not be so dangerous if they did.

Now, I lived and hunted in the Gran Chaco forests, in Northern Argentina, South America, for ten years. These forests and jungles are the true home of the peccary, they are there by the hundreds; and if there is a creature on earth that I know anything about, that creature is the musk-hog. I have trailed them through jungles, captured their little ones and made pets of them; and never on any occasion during ten years of almost continual hunting, did I ever know, or ever hear of one attacking a human being.

Peccaries are excellent meat and the boars are as good as the sows. It is not necessary to immediately remove the musk glands from their backs, as is generally believed. They may be left there all night without scenting the meat in the last. I know, for I have done it many a time. I never shot one unless I needed it for meat, for I could feel no pleasure in killing an animal so harmless and inoffensive.

There are three distinct species of musk-hogs to be found in the Gran Chaco forests. The largest kind is a black hog weighing when grown from 150 to 175 pounds live weight. They get very fat, and like all the others are good meat. Then there is the

javaline (Dictotyles labiatus) that will weigh 75 or 80 pounds live weight. They are a grizzly grayish color with very long, soft hair and bristles 7 or 8 inches long. They have very large heads, and long, convex noses. Then there are "the little terrors" weighing 50 or 60 pounds live weight. These are the fellows that put the hunter up a tree and keep him there till he starves to death. Poor hogs! I'll warrant that if ever a man climbed a tree from one, and the hog saw him, that it was out of sight the other way before the man got up the tree very far.

Should the peccary be stopped by the dogs, of course it will fight; so will a rat. But the rat will not come out of his hole to fight a dog. Still, he is just as liable to do it as a peccary is to come out of a jungle to fight a man. Their teeth are not "long and fang-like," but are rather short for hog teeth, being about an inch long. The under tusk does not stick out of the animal's mouth, but fits up under its upper lip and does not show.

Female peccaries do not have teats along their bellies as domestic hogs do, but have an udder and teats like a deer, and there is no gall on the liver. All the species have the musk glands, and all have very short tails about an inch long. The outside dewclaw or little toe on each hind foot is missing, although its corresponding toe on the inside is perfectly developed, as are all the other toes. I have studied and tried to find out why this particular toe was wanting, but have never been able to find any reason whatever to account for it.

In the D. labiatus all the little toes on all the feet appear to be in a rudimentary condition. Occasionally there will be a well developed toe on some of the feet, and sometimes they are absent altogether. I do not believe the large black hog is known to science, as I have never seen an account of it in print. They are not very plentiful, but are found in that part of the Gran Chaco forests lying south of the Bermejo river, and north of the Rio Salado, and east of the Parana.

There is little doubt but what this much abused and slandered animal will go out of existence believed to have been one of the most fearless and ferocious creatures that ever lived on earth.

At the Traps

Gun Club Map of the United States.—The revised gun club map of the United States recently issued by the Du Pont Powder Company, showing the location of towns containing organized clubs, gives the total number of clubs up to November 15, 1914, as 3,221. It is estimated that the average membership of these clubs is fifty, making a total of 161,050 trapshooters belonging to clubs that shoot regularly.

There probably are many more trapshooters not members of organized clubs, mostly in farming sections. The increasing popularity of the hand trap tends to swell the number of unorganized trapshooters.

The total of all classes is estimated at 400,000, probably more actual participants than can be found in any other American sport. Trapshooting is undoubtedly growing rapidly and enthusiasts predict that the next annual map will show more than 4,000 clubs and that for 1915 the total number of trapshooters will grow to 500,000.

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Capitol City Traps.—A feature of the Big Time Gun Club shoot at Sacramento recently was a match between two squads of women scatter-gun enthusiasts. Two of the fair shooters, Miss Edna Baker of Sacramento and Mrs. Nicholls of Nevada City, tied in a 10-bird event, each with 8 clay pigeons. Mrs. Nicholls won the shoot-off in a miss-and-out match, 4 to 3 birds.

Another feature of the day was a "Beginners' Shoot" for Du Pont watch fob trophies. L. C. Smith broke 17 out of 25 and won the watch. Frank Gehring was second with 14 birds. Fifteen tyros at trap shooting lined up in this event. M. Priest of Roseville won the regular 25-bird match with a straight score. A. E. Pearson was runner-up with 21 birds.

The above shoot was intended to be the final meeting for this season. So successful, however, have the club shoots been that a big merchandise shoot will be held later this month.

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Washington Shoots.—At the regular weekly shoot of the Seattle Trapshooters' Association, August 29, Hugh Fleming, who broke 93 out of 100 targets, was high amateur.

In the trophy event, Fleming won Class A medal, Dr. King won Class B medal, H. G. Bostick won Class C medal and R. W. Kinzer won Class D medal.

Following are the scores at 100 targets: D. Rhodes 95, I. M. Fisher 94, Hugh Fleming 93, R. W. Kinzer 82, G. M. Owens 80, C. E. McKelvey 79, H. G. Bostick 76, J. H. Willman 71, C. W. Stimson 66.

At 50 birds: F. Mahan 42, D. Robb 42, Dr. King 41, G. Canuck 41, R. S. Searle 40, Dr. Tom Mesdag 40, J. W. Glascock 39, R. H. Pearce 38, J. S. Scott 35, T. Jenks 35, C. R. Rank 32, D. M. Dirks 30, T. Connors 30, L. Spencer 29, M. Strong 28.

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The Bellingham Gun Club pulled off a lively merchandise shoot August 26. Sixty prizes were distributed to shooters in seven events. Dell Cooper's 91 out of 100 was high amateur score for the day. Geo. Miller and Jim Hurlburt were next up with 90 breaks.

The scores in the team shoot (three-man teams) follow:

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Targets—	15	15	20	15	15	20	25
L. H. Reid	15	15	19	15	14	19	25
I. M. Fisher	12	13	17	12	15	19	24
John Kienart	12	12	17	12	13	18	25
J. H. Hurlbut	15	14	18	14	13	16	22
Geo. W. Miller	12	15	19	14	13	17	20
Dr. Spratley	12	13	17	13	13	18	21
James Inks	10	14	17	11	14	16	21
T. H. Wagner	10	10	18	13	13	14	24
Dell Cooper	15	13	18	13	14	18	18
J. Miller	11	9	11	9	9	12	15
Ed Brackney	14	11	18	10	10	18	20
Don Spratley	12	13	18	13	12	16	19
Smith	4	3	3	5	5	8	17
Kirkman	9	13	15	11	15	16	23
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The Tacoma Gun Club shoot on the 6th inst. did not draw as large an attendance as was expected—too many other attractions at the time, writes Secretary Carl Coon. The program called for five 20 and two 25 bird events.

The results at 150 birds were. A. A. Riehl 140, G. W. Miller 135, J. C. Jansen 132, B. C. Donnelly 130, J. A. Dague 126, L. C. Riehl 122. L. H. Reid* 148, F. C. Riehl* 143, I. M. Fisher* 141, G. H. Garrison* 137, J. S. Fanning* 134, G. H. Hambright* 134.

D. W. Fleet, 88 out of 100. At 50 birds: J. Cooper 43, Carl Coon 42, F. L. Baker 42, D. H. Bales 42, G. H. Purdy 41, A. Z. Smith 38, H. A. Sullivan 35, H. F. King 34.

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Beginners' Shoots.—In a communication from Wilmington, Del., dated the 11th inst., Mr. T. E. Doremus requests the announcement "that we will be unable to render a full report on the 'Beginners' Shoots' for some days yet.

We sent out in all 500 watch fobs and considerably over a hundred spoons for the women shooters, and only about 300 clubs have already reported on the results of the Beginners' Shoots, so that until the other 200 make a report we will be unable to determine the winners of the 100 loving cups, which will be given to the 100 clubs having the greatest number of beginners participating in the event."

This publicity is made to advise many gun clubs and shooters who are "on the anxious seat," awaiting returns from the Du Pont Powder Company.

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An Old Friend Back.—Jack Fanning arrived in this city Sunday evening last, coming in via Seattle, Portland and other northern points—he left Chicago after the G. A. H. and made the trip in easy stages for about a two monthss stay here. Jack is the same genial sportsman we knew 20 years ago and he received a royal welcome from many friends here during the week.

The sparrow shooting matches in New Zealand, described in another column, reminds us that Jack won the sparrow championship of the United States, some years ago, by grassing 79 out of 100 "flitter flutters," at 28 yards rise. "Pop" Heikes was runner-up with 74. Ed Fulford also killed 74, but lost on the tie shoot-off; third high gun, 73, was shot by P. Price.

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Golden Gaters.—The Golden Gate Gun Club will wind up the club blue rock season tomorrow at the West Alameda trap ground.

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New Zealand Trap Notes.—Pigeon and sparrow trap shooting has a strong hold on the sportsmen of the antipodes as will be inferred from the following notes taken from the Christchurch Weekly Express:

The New Zealand Gun Clubs' Association's sparrow championship was this year allotted to the Springston Gun Club, and was shot off on the club's ground at Springston, August 4. The weather was beautifully fine, though the light in the afternoon was somewhat changeable. The arrangements were excellently carried out and there was a good attendance. There were 39 competitors and the conditions were 21 birds, seven each at 18, 20 and 23 yards, a competitor to retire after five misses. There was some excellent shooting, but the retirements were more rapid when the longer mark was reached. The winner was L. Hughes, of Auckland, whose only miss was his twelfth bird. His win carried with it the champion gold medal, a gun presented by the Colonial Ammunition Company, and £42 in cash. The runners-up were: W. R. Donald (Irwell), and F. Preece (Christchurch), who each shot 19 birds out of the 21, and they agreed to divide the second and third money, amounting to £28.

The Napier and East Coast Gun Club held a handicap sparrow shoot on Wednesday, July 28, at Petane, for a handsome trophy presented by Mr. R. H. Hunter-Weston. The trophy has to be won twice before becoming the property of the winner. The shooting was excellent, considering the fleetness and size of the birds. Seventeen shootists took part. The conditions were 10 birds with an accompanying sweepstake. T. Parker, shooting off the scratch mark (22 yds.), killed the lot, only using his second barrel once. E. R. Goulter (18 yds.) was runner-up with nine kills, and F. Lopdill (16 yds.) took third prize with eight kills. In a sweepstake that followed Messrs. Goulter and Bell divided first and second money on the fifth round, and Messrs. Bellamy Ransfield, and Hill divided third money.

The Wanganui Gun Club held a patriotic live bird shoot in aid of the patriotic funds at Putiki, on July 29, and from every viewpoint it was a splendid success.

The conditions of the match were: Five traps, handicap marks, 10 birds. Six trophies were competed for, with a special prize for the best first barrel score. The whole of the birds were pooled and sold at the close of the shoot.

Twenty-two shooters went to the mark and some splendid shooting was witnessed, the birds being a particularly fast lot. That doyen of "sports," Mr. C. H. Chavannes, was referee. Mr. T. H. James worked the dogs in a manner that earned him hearty applause, and the popular president of the club, Mr. W. McA. Duncan, generally supervised the shoot. Everything went without a hitch, the arrangements reflecting credit on all concerned.

The winner was Mr. Charles Hair, who shot all his birds in first-class style, and Messrs. N. Scott, Lynn McKelvie, J. A. Casey, H. J. Duigan, and F. Fantham tied for second, and shot off for the balance of the prizes, while Mr. H. J. Duigan won the special prize for the best first barrel score.

Donations of ducks and rabbits were received from Mr. James McKelvie, and hares from Messrs. Casey and Mills, pigeons from Mr. Edwards, mutton per Mr. R. M. Moore, and these, together with the birds, were then put up and sold in lots. Some remarkable bidding was witnessed. The auctioneer (Mr. H. J. Duigan), from £1 bids, gradually worked the "sports" up to £10 bids, and from that he rose them to £50 bids. The climax was reached when a brace of ducks were put up. The bidding started at £10 and rose with great rapidity until £450 was reached, when a bid of £475 from a well-known Rangitikei sport was immediately silenced by £500 from the club's popular president (Mr. Duncan), and he was declared the buyer amidst the cheers of those present.

Finally a leg of mutton had a remarkable career. It was put up and sold firstly to Mrs. J. Duncan (Durie Hill) for £200, and then to Mr. L. Bayly, £15 15s; Arch. Mason, £21; T. H. James, £5; C. H. Chavannes, £5 5s; C. Georgetti, £4 4s; Dr. Earle, L. Strachan, H. N. Harrison, Allan Robinson, J. R. Foster, each £2 2s; and a host of other bids at £1 1s. Eventually it found safe custody in the auctioneer's own bid at 2½ guineas.

The Springston Gun Club held a £50 sparrow-shooting match at which there were thirty-six competitors, and the stake was divided by F. Watson (20 yds.), F. Frampton (19 yds.), A. H. Kimber (20 yds.), E. R. Goulter (18 yds.), and L. Hughes (23 yds.), who each shot 13 out of a possible 15 birds.

A 10s sweepstake was then fired, thirty men competing. W. J. Moir (18 yds.) and A. H. Kimber (21 yds.) each killed 17 birds and divided the stake.

There was a large gathering of shooting men in Timaru, when the Timaru Gun Club held a £100 live-bird handicap the first day, and on the following day conducted the New Zealand live bird championship. The weather on the first day was ideal for shooting, the birds were fast, and some capital performances were registered. There were forty-four competitors, and the following, with thirteen kills each, divided £85: F. W. Whittle 27 yds., L. P. Hughes 26 yds., R. Graham 25 yds, E. R. Goulter 23 yds., W. A. Parsons 22 yds, and R. J. Fleming 21 yds. Eleven shooters brought down 12 birds each, and in the shoot-off for the remaining £15 the following divided the money after bringing down an additional 7 birds each: A. A. Collins 24 yds., F. W. Wain 22 yds., E. H. Eccles 29 yds., J. Skilling 21 yds., and L. Stackhouse, 23 yds.

A sweepstake match followed, and the following divided the stake of £30: H. Collins, J. C. Webb, J. Fleming, W. Small, L. P. Hughes, E. Henzell, and C. E. Brown.

The New Zealand championship attracted forty-two competitors. The weather conditions were again excellent, and with strong, fast birds the event was very keenly contested. Mr. T. A. Bamber, president of the New Zealand Gun Clubs' Association, and Mr. M. F. Ryan, of Springfield, refereed the championship.

The winner of the championship turned up in G. McIlwick, of Timaru, who scored a popular victory. He has on previous occasions shown good form, and last year at Auckland missed the championship by one bird only. The winner received £68 in cash, the handsome championship gold medal given by the Timaru Gun Club, and a hammerless gun presented by the Colonial Ammunition Company. W. A. Parsons, of Rangiora, who registered only one miss, took second prize of £28. At both matches Mr. T. James, of Wanganui, with his two well-trained setters, rendered invaluable service in retrieving the birds.

In the shoot-off for third place, E. H. Eccles won. A sweepstake of £25 was decided after the championship, and L. P. Hughes, E. H. Eccles, and H. Soulter tied and divided the stake.

High professional and high general averages at the Elks tournament, Cedar Point, Ohio, Aug. 17-18, were won by Mr. W. R. Chamberlain with Peters "steel where steel belongs" shells, score 280 ex 300.

At Round Lake, Minn., Aug. 22, Mr. Dave Flannigan, shooting Peters shells, was high professional, score 154 ex 175.

FISH AND GAME RESOURCES.

With true press agent appreciation of the leading ttraction they have to offer the public, the manage- ient of the five-county district fair which opened at ledding has not played up their vast mineral re- ources, the wealth of the grazing lands, the riches f the timbered hills, which wealth is measured in illions; the attractions offered by farm and orchard, ut instead, has seized upon and featured the game f the northern part of the State, says the Sacra- nento Union. And to further impress the unique ttractions of this region the management will give game dinner on one of the closing days of the fair, o which dinner the general public is invited.

One of the advance notices of the fair, is given ver entirely to the game of the region, which in ariety and numbers surpasses any like area to be ound in the United States.

To quote from this booklet:

Siskiyou, Shasta, Modoc, Lassen and Trinity coun- ies have always been noted as the best deer counties n the State. In 1880 38,000 deer hides were shipped rom Redding. Vigirous enforcement of the law pro- ibiting wholesale killing has stopped this practice and increased the supply. During 1911, 1912 and 1913 4,110 deer were reported as being killed in these counties. It is quite probable that fully twice that number would be a nearer figure. Specimens of mule deer weighing 330 pounds have been killed in these counties.

The Redding lodge, B. P. O. E., and Hon. C. C. McCray were instrumental in having brought in from Jackson's Hole, Wyo., the only herd of elk ever im- ported into this State. They were liberated on Pit river, and reports are to the effect that they are rapidly increasing. In the further protection of these noble animals and of our native deer, the State Fish and Game Commission has paid a bounty on mountain lions for several years. From October, 1907, to May, 1915, a total of 622 lions were killed in the five coun- ties. It is estimated that a lion averages one deer per week the year round. On that basis there have been 33,488 deer saved by the bounty paid on lions.

Nowhere in the world is there a larger trout hatch- ery than the one at Sisson. Its output this season is 19,000,000 trout and 29,000,000 salmon, amounting to 200 carloads. The commercial fisheries of the Sac- ramento river, which has its sources in Shasta, Sis- kiyou, Modoc and Lassen counties, have an output running into the millions of dollars annually. The steelhead and salmon runs of the Trinity are second only to this river.

Luck need not be a part of the hunting equipment in the counties of Modoc, Lassen, Trinity, Siskiyou or Shasta, as all the varieties of wild game peculiar to California are found here in abundance. There are bear, deer, antelope and elk; sage hen, grouse, mountain and valley quail and many varieties of lesser birds too numerous to mention. Also honkers, grey geese, brant, swan, sand hill crane, fourteen va- rieties of ducks, plover, snipe and curlew. Then there are mountain lions and cougars, wolves, coy- otes, foxes, martins and other predatory and fur- bearing animals, almost without number. The moun- tain lakes furnish the breeding grounds for myriads of waterfowl.

The complete harmony that existed between the representatives of the people and the Fish and Game Commission was so apparent at this session of the legislature that it augurs well for the future protec- tion and preservation of one of California's greatest assets.

It was an evidence that the people of this paradise of fish and game had at last broken away from the old pioneer California idea, that fish and game are a gift of God, to be taken by any one at any time, and in such quantities as he desired."

WARNING.

The California Fish and Game Commission will not recognize any receipt for money paid in lieu of any hunting or fishing license. All persons holding such receipts must procure legal licenses or they will be liable to arrest.

Hunting License Act. Section 1. "Every person in the State of California, who hunts, pursues or kills any of the wild birds or animals, excepting predatory birds or animals, without first procuring a license therefore, as provided by this act, is guilty of a mis- demeanor."

Anglers' License Act. Section 1. "Every person over the age of eighteen years who, in the State of California, takes, catches, or kills any game fish for any purpose other than for profit, without first pro- curing a license therefor, as provided in this act, is guilty of a misdemeanor."

Section 431 of the Penal Code provides: "Every person who uses or gives any receipt, except that prescribed by law, as evidence of the payment of any poll tax, road tax, or license of any kind, or who re- ceives payment of such tax or license without deliv- ering the receipt prescribed by law, or who inserts the name of more than one person therein, is guilty of a misdemeanor."

The foregoing is a copy of a notice that the Com- mission's agents are posting throughout the State. The condition which the Commission hopes to rem- edy is of such importance that all publicity possible is requested.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

GOSSIP FOR SPORTSMEN.

Local deer hunters are advised that the open season for bucks, in State game districts Nos. 2 and 3, closed Wednesday, September 15. The territory embraced in the two districts extends from Mendo- cino down to and including all of the Coast counties to San Luis Obispo, as well as the bay counties region and the western parts of the lower Sacramento valley and also the San Joaquin valley. The season in the Sierra mountain ranges will remain open until October 15. Deer hunting in district No. 4 will close October 1.

During October the animals are in prime condition in the mountain country, a fact which is appreciated by experienced deer hunters. Fresno sportsmen are particularly pleased in that respect with the deer laws now in force—a time of the year when a hunt- ing trip is most enjoyable.

Dr. W. O. Ogle, Floyde Spence and Al Christenson left last week for a month's motor run through Las- sen county, thence to the Truckee, via Sierra valley, then on to Lake Tahoe, winding up with Yosemite valley—a trip that will offer trout fishing in many waters, deer and mountain quail hunting as well.

The Mount Hamilton range, in the vicinity of Gil- roy Hot Springs, has proved a fine deer hunting ter- ritory this season. Nine big bucks were brought in to Billy McDonald's the first week of the season, nor did a fair weekly tally cease during the season.

Floyd Judah's seven-day outing at Klamath Hot Springs was in a region where he bagged a fine forked horn buck and shot several mountain quail limits. The quail are very plentiful in that section this season.

Tehama county hunters state that there is appar- ently no diminution in the numbers of deer in that county. Calaveras county hunters are also getting many bucks; does are reported very scarce, which looks bad for next season's crop, and gray squirrels are very plentiful. From Taylorville, in Plumas county, comes the report that doves are very numer- ous and deer hunting is improving.

From Susanville, in Lassen county, advices are that ducks and geese are plentiful at Honey and other lakes of that region—where aquatic fowl breed plen- tifully every year. Mountain quail are numerous near Gazelle, but the dry season has driven the deer to better feeding grounds.

In the higher altitudes of El Dorado and Amador counties—7000 to 8000 feet—deer are scarce, but fairly numerous between 4000 and 6000 feet.

The Los Banos country will be pretty well drained by the time the fall duck shooting season opens, which means the closing out of every gun club but the Raisin City, of Fresno, and the Field and Tule, composed of local sportsmen. A ray of duck shooting sunshine, however, comes in the report that the Lone Willow territory beyond Firebaugh will all be flooded over—as a means of drowning out the Texas tick, which insect has done much damage to stock in that region. The flooding over expedient will draw thou- sands of birds to that section.

A midweek report from Sacramento states that, although fairly warm weather conditions prevailed, doves have begun to scatter. Returning hunters state that in some sections the evening flight is now a thing of the past. In the Coon creek district, near Lincoln, hunters who waited until evening on Labor day were disappointed in the expectation of finding the birds moving. Among the gunners in that sec- tion on Labor Day the individual bags ranged from 9 to 12 birds each.

Along the Cosumnes river, from the region around the Marysville buttes and from points where can- yons in the foothills open out into the Sacramento valley, a few flocks are reported, but nothing in numbers like in past seasons. In Santa Cruz county the birds are reported to be plentiful this year. Mon- terey hunters have also had fairly good sport with doves since the season opened on the 1st inst.

Dove shooting, however, in the vicinity of Oakdale, near Stockton, has given a number of hunters limit sport. Rube Haas, J. T. Connelley, Joseph Cowing and Louis Raisen of this city had that experience only last week—Raisen had forgotten to bring along his hunting license. His companions framed up a practical joke on him by having a supposed rural constable take him in custody for hunting without a license. He finally managed to square the matter with a five-spot—which coin was immediately put to use in an irrigation scheme. Raisen did not know it, however, until the fest was concluded.

GUIDES TO DESERT WATERING PLACES.

There are ten reports covering parts of Washing- ton and Oregon, 13 covering parts of New Mexico and Arizona, and 20 covering parts of California, and oth- ers in preparation. Reports have also been published on small parts of western Utah, and on small parts of Nevada, Idaho, and Montana. Guides to desert watering places have been published for southern California, southern Nevada, western Utah, and cen- tral New Mexico.

The water-supply papers that are still in stock can be obtained by addressing the Director, United States Geological Survey, Washington, D. C. Many of them are now out of stock at the Survey, but most of these can be purchased at cost from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. A complete list of the publications of the Sur- vey can be obtained by anyone on application.

FISH LINES.

Steelhead trout anglers have recently overlooked a bet. San Gregorio lagoon, down the San Mateo shore, has been well filled with nice-sized steelhead trout. Charles Isaacs, Mo Uuri and other members of the California Anglers' Association have had rare sport during the recent holiday period. Not only that, but up-stream a bit, the creek is alive with crayfish--you pay a good price for these dainty crus- taceans when you order "ecrivisse" in the downtown restaurants. The trick of catching them is an easy one.

The Big and Little Stoney, near Fouts Springs, is well worth a visit now. Arthur Brand, M. Jabey Becker and Milton Frankenburg gave the creeks a three-day trial and picked up daily limits of ten-inch to one and a half pound trout.

Jennie, Fall and Shovel creeks, branches of Klam- ath river, are in prime conditions now for fly rod recreation. Limits of ten to twelve-inch trout can be taken readily. Floyd Judah brought a limit bas- ket down last Tuesday that excited the envy of sev- eral ardent anglers he showed the trout to.

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P. F. Martin, Fred Dassonville and George F. Rob- erts were the prize winners Wednesday evening at the semi-monthly whist party of the California Ang- lers' Association. At a meeting of the Board of Di- rectors twenty-five new members were elected. A large delegation of the club members attended the Walter Pomeroy testimonial September 12 at the Alameda beach.

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Fish planting is being conducted along extensive lines in the streams and lakes of the Sierra Nevada mountains by Deputy Fish and Game Commissioner Andy Ferguson of Fresno. A week ago 26,000 rain- bow trout fry were liberated in the north fork of the San Joaquin river, leading into Bass lake. The cans of troutlets were taken by train to Triant, transferred to motors and then on pack animals—quite an under- taking, but one that will receive the praise of many rodsters. Over 25,000 fry will be planted in Shaver lake, and Huntington lake will also soon receive a big consignment of baby trout.

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Striped bass fishing in San Antone slough has im- proved somewhat recently. A week ago there was a large crowd of jolly anglers at the arks and boat- houses anchored on the creek near the railroad trestle. Almost without exception everybody caught bass, mostly all of small size, from one to two pounds. Arthur Burlingame landed the largest fish taken on the creek Monday, a twelve-pounder.

FIXTURES.

Registered Tournaments — Pacific States and Territories:

September 13, 14—Omaha Gun Club, R. D. Vaught, Secretary-Manager, Omaha, Neb.

September 24—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 27—Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Oregon.

October 4, 5—Roswell Gun Club, E. P. Malone, Secretary, Roswell, New Mexico.

November 2—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

Rem-UMC Notes.

W. D. Runnells, of Staunton, won the State cham- pionship at the annual tournament of the Virginia Tray Shooters' Association, by breaking 98 out of a possible 100 birds. He shot the perfect shooting combination of Remington Pump gun and Nitro Club shells throughout the tournament. G. O. Lee took second honors with the tally of 97, while Dr. Rich- ards, last year's champion, scored 94x100 in the classic.

C. L. Waggoner, of Dillon, Neb., won high amateur average at a shoot of the Hooper (Neb.) Gun Club recently, shooting Arrow shells. He scored 145x150.

Forty-five shooters faced the traps of the Antigo (Wis.) Gun Club recently. H. G. McCrossen, shoot- ing Nitro Club shells, won the event with a score of 142x150.

With a Remington pump gun and Arrow shells, J. M. Barrett won a registered shoot at the Gate City Gun Club, of Atlanta, Ga. He scored 191x200, while John Choffer, also shooting a Remington pump gun, came in a close second with 190x200.

Peters Points.

Mr. A. L. Ivins won high amateur average at Bridgeport, Conn., Aug. 14, 145 ex 150, and Mr. L. C. Wilson tied for second, 144, both using Peters shells.

At Stanton, Neb., Aug. 12, Mr. Geo. L. Carter of Lincoln won high professional average, 144 ex 145, using Peters shells.

Messrs. J. E. Dickey, H. C. Hirschy and C. E. Robbins, all using Peters shells at the Eau Claire, Wis., shoot, August 15, gave a demonstration of shooting quality, Mr. Dickey breaking 98 and Messrs. Hirschy and Robbins tied 97 ex 100, winning first and second professional averages.

High professional and high general averages at Toledo, Ohio, Aug. 15, were won by Mr. W. R. Cham- berlain, 196 ex 200, while Mr. C. Brailey was high amateur, 191, and Mr. A. Madison second amateur, 190, all using the "P" brand.

Great Time for Children as Fair Closes

Every boy and girl in the United States is invited by the management of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco to prepare for an event of tremendous interest to boys and girls, which will mark the closing days of the exposition.

This is a competition in children's pets.

From the morning of Wednesday, December 1, to Friday evening of December 3, the pets of a hundred thousand American children will be on exhibition out at the Live Stock section of the exposition.

The pets will be received on Tuesday, November 30, and D. O. Lively, Chief of the Department of Live Stock, to whom all inquiries must be addressed, has promised that each of the pets—and it matters not whether it be a bird, fish, quadruped or reptile—will receive the best attention and not a single penny will be charged for this.

In order that your pet may be entered at the world's greatest exposition, please write as follows today to:

Mr. D. O. Lively,
Chief, Department of Live Stock,
Panama-Pacific International Exposition,
San Francisco, California.

Dear Sir:

Please send me today full particulars as offered about the children's pet stock show at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, December 1-3. Please enclose entry blanks so that I may enter my pet.

Name.....
Street.....
City.....
State.....

When the three days affair has been concluded, there will be prizes galore—and then hundreds of proud little boys and girls will have in their possession the ribbon of prize winners, bestowed upon their precious pet.

However, before we talk about the prizes, it would be well perhaps to begin at the beginning and let the boys and girls of America know all about it. Now, children, read this carefully and then get ready to make entries.

As you know, all the exhibits at the exposition are competitive. Prizes of awards are bestowed for the most successful exhibits and most of the exhibitors come to the exposition in the hope of receiving the highest awards.

So after some discussion it was decided that the exposition must not be allowed to terminate without imprinting a lesson upon the children that would endure.

This lesson could best be based upon the universal nature existing in every child as depicted in his or her love for certain living things.

Therefore it was determined that the children would be requested to bring their precious pets to the exposition. Competent grown-ups would then make careful comparison and decide which of the pets are entitled to wear the blue or other color of ribbon or receive other tokens of honor.

Nothing is more interesting to the juvenile mind than the study of natural history. Animal and bird pets with ownership develop all that is best in a child—the father of men. Captain Scott, the hero of the ill-fated South Pole Expedition, recognized this, for upon his dead body was found a letter to Barrie the dramatist, referring to the explorer's son, saying: "Make the boy interested in natural history if you can, for it is better than games."

The keeping and study of pets teaches natural history.

December 2nd and 3rd will be "pets" day for the children and every school in San Francisco and the bay cities will be closed in order to give every child an opportunity to be at the exposition.

The mothers of the children immediately became interested, and the result was the Woman's Board of the exposition fostered the Pets Exhibition and decided to make the affair the great event of the exposition.

But how many children will be represented?

We cannot tell. It is impossible even to conjecture, but we are certain the exhibit will be a big one.

Children, you will find that there is no limit.

Suppose you have the best canary bird—or you believe it is the best in the world. Why, write for an entry blank and just enter it and at the right time—November 15—see that it is sent or brought in by November 30th or December 1st, and your dear little songster may become the proud recipient of a blue ribbon.

It is possible that you have a mule bird. If so, send it along. In fact you may enter any kind of a bird and you will have a splendid opportunity of becoming a prize winner.

And rabbits! Well, if you have a nice rabbit, be sure and enter it. There may be others, but yours may be the one that will attract the right sort of attention from the committee on award.

Again, there are many of you children who are fond of mice—the nice white ones and also another kind—and these are also to be considered. The same may be said of Guinea pigs, ducks, pheasants, geese, chickens and pigeons.

The tortoise is said to be a slow animal. Now you never can tell. It is quite possible that the old tortoise pet may be the one who will speed the judgment of the committee into giving it a prize. The same may be said of the frog or the lizard. At any rate here is the classification as prepared by the officials:

Canary, mule bird, small foreign bird, parrakeet, lory, hanging parrot, macaw, cockatoo, guinea-pig, common rabbit, squirrel, chipmunk, goldfish, chickens, pheasants, ducks, geese and pigeons.

As you read the above list you will note that there will be a wide variety to the number of pets that may be exhibited. At first, it was decided to bar Mr. Snake. Upon investigation it was learned that scores of children residing in the southern states, and especially in the rural mountain districts, were the owners of pet snakes.

"Then by all means let us include snakes," decided the chairman of the committee. "I used to have a pet snake myself, when I was a kiddie. It was of the common garden variety and we had many good times together, but Mr. Snake and I parted company one day following an exciting episode in a little country school."

To the parents we would say, "Take the bridle off your imagination—give it full play,—you will then grasp the significance of the movement that is represented in the children's pets exhibition at the exposition.

There is much to be done in order to make this exhibition as successful as we desire, and the added sympathy of every adult is necessary if our expectations are to be realized.

No commercial exploitation is mixed in this plan. Every man and every woman who loves children and who understands them will sympathize with the purpose of this exhibition.

There is need for some work for the public schools, but this will not interfere with the studies of the children or the duties of the teachers.

Then there is the great pleasure that will be accorded the children whose pets prove the winner of the official ribbon and special prizes of award to be given by the exposition officials and friends of the movement.

If you are interested as a child participant, or in the role of friend, guardian or parent of a child who possesses a pet that comes under requirements of this exhibition, write a letter to Mr. D. O. Lively, Chief of the Live Stock Division, Panama-Pacific International Exposition, San Francisco.

Mr. Lively will respond by furnishing complete details and data of the event which promises to constitute one of the most remarkable features of the exposition.

PERTINENT COMMENT FROM THE HORSE WORLD.

New York as a Grand Circuit Town.

It will be interesting to note the impressions of a New York writer, one familiar with the conditions surrounding harness racing sentiment in the metropolis, in what he has to say about the Grand Circuit meeting held at Empire City track last week and its bearing on the future of the sport in the city which furnishes the greatest market for fast trotters. Here is how the meeting and what it portends for the future was reviewed at its conclusion, by Gurney A. Grue, the man who writes the harness racing news for the New York Herald:

"Opening with an attendance exceeding all expectations, the Grand Circuit meeting just ended at Empire City Park demonstrated once more that under reasonably favorable conditions high-class harness racing can be counted on to draw as well in New York as in any other city of the United States. Estimates of the attendance on Tuesday ran as high as five thousand, and this in the face of all the false reports published in New York and sent out over the country, right on the eve of the meeting, saying it would be stopped by injunction if the promoters did not abandon it after owners of horses had been warned to keep away from the track on account of the danger of glanders and other contagious diseases alleged to be rampant there. So persistently were these stories circulated that well informed horsemen were kept in doubt right up to the day of the races, and it is quite certain that large numbers of persons not so well posted remained at home rather than risk a fruitless trip to the Yonkers track on Tuesday.

"The character of the crowd was in itself ample proof of the strong hold which harness racing still has in the city where it originated. In no other city could such an assemblage of prominent breeders, owners and admirers of the trotting horse be drawn together by the pure love of the sport, without a chance to bet a dollar in auction pools, pari-mutuels or books. Given a liberal law like that of Kentucky, or a dead letter law like the one which permits poolselling, bookmaking and pari-mutuels on the Grand Circuit races at Cleveland and Columbus, those successful meetings, as well as the one at Lexington, might be rivaled if not excelled by one right here in New York. But without either form of public betting it would be comparatively easy to attract paying crowds if high class racing could be presented on a fast track.

"A slow track almost ruined last week's meeting just as a lack of sufficient races to make a good programme injured the Grand Circuit meeting five years ago. In each case there was a big crowd on the opening day, 7,000 having been the estimated attendance in 1910, but disappointing races cut it down materially as the meetings progressed. People do not care to see horses like Lee Axworthy, that have shown their ability to trot in 2:03, floundering about and getting beaten in 2:10, because of poor footing. Extreme speed is of the essence of high class harness racing, and without it there is no use in expecting people to attend a meeting in New York That the once fast Empire track will never do for another Grand Circuit meeting until it has been resoiled was the opinion of nearly all horsemen who examined the sandy, cuppy turns and stretches last week. That it might have been much improved by scraping an inch or two off the surface at the pole, where the sand had washed down from the high ground, was the opinion of a good many experts, but what is needed is half a foot or more of fresh loam. The track has never been resoiled since it was built more than 50 years ago."

Judging from the above, there are enough harness racing enthusiasts in the metropolis to give support to a Grand Circuit meeting there under favorable conditions to keep the city in the chain of big race meetings. It is to be hoped that the favorable conditions will be forthcoming, for it means much to harness racing interests to have New York in the big line.

How the War Has Affected the Horse, Saddlery and Feed Interests in This Country.

One has only to read the recent report of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce which show that exports of American horses and mules since the breaking out of the war in Europe have reached the enormous total of 400,000 head, worth approximately $88,000,000, to see the effects of the bloody struggle on the horse interests of this country. Shipments of horses for the 11 months ending June 30, were 288,413 head, worth, in round numbers, $64,000,000. In the last two months they have been going over at the rate of 40,000 a month, which would make the present total upward of 328,000 head, worth about $72,000,000. This count does not include the thousands of mules which have gone over and which both the French and the British are buying in ever increasing numbers, as their superiority over horses for the severe ordeal of the army transport service is demonstrated in the field. Up to July 1, the number of mules exported since the war began was 65,544, and their value was officially estimated at $12,700,000. The present totals are upward of 80,000 head, worth approximately $16,500,000. Exports of harness and saddles are running into huge figures since the war began. For the 11 months ended July 1, the value of such equipment sent to Europe was $17,460,000. This is at a rate of $1,600,000 a month, so that the present total is doubtless well above $20,000,000. Wagons and carriages make up another substantial item, 9,056 horse drawn vehicles, valued at $1,190,939, having been exported between August 1, 1914, and July 1, 1915. Assuming that shipments continued at the same rate in July and August, the totals are now about 12,000 vehicles, worth more than $1,500,000. More than 30,000,000 horseshoes, valued at more than $2,500,000, have been purchased here to equip the millions of horses in the armies of the Allies. The totals for the first 11 months of the war were 29,157,243 shoes, worth $2,01,258.

Mountains of baled hay and the shiploads of oats are going over each month to feed the equine armies of the Allies, the expenditures of France, England and Italy for American horses, equipment and provender having reached truly enormous figures during the first year of the war. That these countries are feeding American oats and hay to practically all the horses they are using in the war is indicated by the sensational jump in exports since the great war machines went into action. The greatest single advance in grain exports has been made by oats, according to the government records. The records show that in the year ended June 30, 1914, the value of oats exported was $757,527, while in the 12 months ending June 30, 1915, the total reached $57,479,964. Shipments during June alone were worth eight times as much as the entire exports of the year before the war. Their value is officially estimated at $5,769,068. Exports of hay amounted to 84,653 tons in the 12 months ending June 30, 1915. For this the foreign governments paid $1,980,297, according to the official records. The total is now well above 100,000 tons, worth upward of $2,000,000. All these figures and their bearing on the horse breeding interests of this country have but one meaning, and that is that never before have the farmers and horse breeders of this country had a greater opportunity to make this branch of breeding pay as well as it will pay during the next decade.

Mr. M. E. Pye, the judge of the West Australian Trotting Association, has returned to Melbourne after a six months' holiday in America. Mr. Pye spent a good deal of time at the Panama Exposition and witnessed the big trotting events held there. During his stay, which was a highly enjoyable one, he had the pleasure of meeting a number of relatives, 26 of whom sat down to dinner with him one evening before he left. Mr. Pye holds that the government of race meetings in Australia is quite as efficient as that of the States.—Australian Trotting Record.

THE FARM

MARKETING METHODS.

The present abundance of fresh vegetables and fruits brings with it the perennial necessity for their rapid, economical distribution and for encouraging a generous and steady consumption. The machinery for moving these food products is complex, and retail dealers are often accused of not following closely the wholesale market quotations; that in times of glutted markets they do not cut prices severely and aid in a rapid movement from producer to consumer. But the responsibility for slow and uneconomic movement into consumptive channels is difficult to trace. The large class of food distributors known as "middlemen" are often accused of levying, arbitrarily, a heavy tribute on all foodstuffs passing from the producer to the consumer. The attention of the public has been frequently directed to increased costs of products rather than service rendered. The new department bulletin, No. 267, Methods of Wholesale Distribution of Fruits and Vegetables on Large Markets, does not indict the "middlemen" as a class, although it points out some of the abuses of the trade. As a matter of fact, say the department's specialists, when discussing the present marketing organization, economic laws would not permit the long-continued existence of a marketing agency which was solely a parasite.

Several important factors have contributed to the establishment of many middlemen as necessary agents in the present system of marketing. Production during the last decade has increased greatly, and improved methods and facilities for handling the increase have been introduced. Keeping pace with increased production has come the demand of consumers for more elaborate and efficient service. Seldom is the fact considered that service can become a very expensive luxury. With the widening of the distance between the city and the sources of its fruit and vegetable supplies there has risen the necessity for special agencies to meet the changed conditions.

The present distributive machinery, with all its strong points and its weaknesses, has been created of necessity, and it has weathered the storm of much adverse criticism. Every part of the country is now enjoying the perishable products of the most remote districts. Any readjustment of present market practices must be based upon the fact that some agency must continue to perform the functions of the present-day middleman.

The problems involved in handling goods through a large market differ greatly from those of production. Usually one man or one firm can not handle both production and distribution and succeed at both. The vast volume of business transacted at large market centers makes necessary some special agencies which can devote all their energies to distribution. Especially does the machinery for efficient marketing become necessary when perishable goods are to be handled. Commodities of this sort must be moved rapidly, must be distributed evenly, and from their very nature permit of no weakness in a distributive machinery, if they are to be sold at a profit.

With the perishable nature of a large part of the fruits and vegetables marketed there must be some loss. This often totals higher than the farmer realizes. For instance, according to the department's market specialists, the loss on such commodities as strawberries, peaches, and grapes cometimes amounts to 30 or 40 per cent before they reach the hands of the retail trade. Losses due to spoiling may be the result of the shipper's sending over-ripe or diseased fruit, or failing to give proper attention to packing, to loading, or to bracing the packages in the car. Sometimes the railroad is at fault. Delay in transit, improper ventilation or refrigeration, or unnecessarily rough handling of cars may contribute to rapid deterioration of the shipment on arrival.

The lack of proper refrigeration facilities at distributing centers is a cause of much loss. When produce moves slowly there is often much spoilage before complete sales can be made. Rough handling during unloading or carting is another important cause of loss. As a matter of fact, the opportunities for losses due to the spoiling of commodities are so manifold that it is impossible to enter into a complete discussion of them.

It is always well to bear in mind the really serious side of losses and of wastes. The spoiling of a dozen canteloupes, a basket of grapes, or a crate of strawberries represents an absolute loss to the community. No benefit accrues to producer, distributor, or consumer from such a condition. The loss occurring at this point must be borne by both producer and consumer, and in a great many cases the distributor must bear his part of the burden. The department's specialists think in many cases losses and wastes are entirely too heavy a tax on food distribution, and that the elimination of unnecessary wastes would do as much toward effecting permanent, substantial economies in marketing and distributing as any readjustment of present marketing methods could do. The fact that a large percentage of these losses can be avoided by proper grading, and shipping, together with more prompt, efficient handling while the goods are in process of distribution, makes it imperative that this subject be given special consideration by those interested in the efficient marketing of farm crops.

A better understanding by the farmer of the complex marketing machinery would enable him to intelligently choose between the many channels through which his fruits and vegetables might be marketed. The new bulletin aims to make clear to the layman the rather intricate machinery of the market and deals with methods of receiving, inspection, rejections, terminal distribution, and sales methods, the broker, auction sales, carlot wholesalers, commission merchants, jobbing sales, public markets, etc. This bulletin may be had free upon application by those interested.

CONCRETE ROADS.

The mileage of concrete pavements in the United States has increased rapidly, and it is likely to continue to increase, according to a new bulletin of the department. This bulletin gives the estimated amount of concrete pavement in the United States in 1914 as 19,200,000 square yards; in 1909 it was only 364,000 square yards.

The principal advantages of concrete pavements which have led to this increase in popularity are said to be:

(1) Durability under ordinary traffic conditions.

(2) A smooth, even surface, offering little resistance.

(3) Absence of dust and ease with which it may be cleaned.

(4) Comparatively small cost of maintenance until renewals are necessary.

(5) Availability as a base for another type of surface if desirable.

(5) Attractive appearance.

In commenting upon these advantages the bulletin states that the durability of concrete roads has not yet been proved by actual practice, because there are no very old pavements as yet in existence, but from the condition of those which have undergone several years' service it seems probable that they will be found to wear well.

The disadvantages of concrete as a road surface are:

(1) Its noise under horse traffic.

(2) The wearing of the necessary joints in the pavement, and the tendency to crack, with its consequent rapid deterioration.

(3) The difficulty of repairs when these become necessary.

In the past efforts have frequently been made to overcome these objections to a certain degree by covering the concrete pavement with a bituminous wearing surface. At the present time, the specialists in the department hold that this can not be economically justified, although it is possible that future investigation may change the situation in this respect. In the present state of road science, however, it seems that where traffic conditions are such that a bituminous surface on a concrete road is practicable a bituminous-surface macadam road would be equally practicable and certainly cheaper. Where traffic is too heavy for macadam road the bituminous surface is likely to give way and the uneven manner in which it fails tends to produce excessive wear on portions of the concrete.

For a successful concrete road, hardness, toughness, and uniformity are the most essential qualities. These can be secured to a great extent by care in the selection of the constituent materials and the proportions in which they are mixed. Sample specifications are included in the bulletin, No. 249, Portland Cement Concrete Pavements for Country Roads. These specifications are believed to typify the best engineering practice as it has been developed up to this time. They cover such points as materials, grading, subgrade, and construction.

The cement, it is said, should always conform to some standard specifications for Portland cement, such as those issued by the United States Bureau of Standards or the American Society for Testing Materials. The sand should not contain more than 3 per cent of foreign material, and sand with more coarse than fine grains is to be preferred. The coarse aggregate may consist of either crushed stone or gravel. In either case it is very desirable that the coarse aggregate be well graded in size between proper limits.

The proportion of cement to the sand and coarse aggregate combined should not be less than about 1 to 5, and the proportion of sand to coarse aggregate not less than 1½ to 3, nor greater than 2 to 3. A usual formula when gravel is used as coarse aggregate is 1 part of cement to 1½ parts of sand to 3 parts of gravel. When crushed stone is used, 1¾ parts of sand may be substituted in place of 1½ parts.

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THOROUGHBRED MEETING COMES TO CLOSE

With a card of eight races as a compliment to its regular attendants and its numerous lady guests, the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association brought its initial meeting to a close last Saturday afternoon, the sun being well on its way beneath the Presidio hills before the numbers were run up that proclaimed the winners of the last race. The crowd on hand to witness the "obsequies" was of record proportions and few there were among the spectators who relinquished their places in the grand stand until everything was over.

The weather, the attendance and the character of the day's sport were all fitting tribute to the gentlemen who are devoting their energies to the revival of thoroughbred breeding and racing here in California, and no day of the entire twenty-five was more thoroughly enjoyable. "Getaway day" as exemplified in the past has been described by Charley Van Loan as a day when the general spirit displayed by owners, jocks, hustlers, touts, bookies, et al., is on the order of "shoot 'em in the back and run," but Saturday wasn't one of those kind. The racing was sharp, well contested and "formful," the winners having been duly licensed for their positions by recent past performances.

The inaugural meeting of the new association has been very much more of a success than was anticipated in many quarters, and proved plainly that Californians are eager to fall in line with other sections of the country where racing is brought back on a new basis. Many predictions were made that the meeting would never run a fortnight, but the full twenty-five days were raced out unmarred save by annoying incidents of a minor nature. Many of the horses present possessed only fair qualifications and ivory could be extracted painlessly and successfully from the skulls of a number of the boys in the silk, but for a "catch as catch can" meeting it met with wonderful success and popularity. There were any number of excellent contests, the words "won driving" appearing much oftener in the charts than did the words "won easily," and there were a certain number of horses and riders present whom it was a genuine pleasure to observe.

The reception accorded the thoroughbred after his long banishment leaves no room for doubt as to the hold he has upon the affections of a very large percentage of the people of the coast country, and thanks are due to the members of the new association to whose love for the horse the enterprise owed its inception and by whose enthusiasm and activities it was carried to a successful culmination. Most especially is the debt owed to President C. W. Clark and Secretary J. J. Nealon, who shouldered the main burdens of financial responsibility and hard labor, assisted though they were by other able gentlemen whose names are too numerous for mention here. While certain positions had to be filled by salaried officials, the members of the association who served in any capacity made that service a "labor of love," as no member received remuneration from the association save in a case or so where traveling expenses incurred on business trips were refunded. The purpose for which the organization was effected is to re-establish thoroughbred racing and thus revive thoroughbred breeding, and they feel that their time and labors will be amply rewarded in years to come if their present endeavors prove to have been the means of starting the general movement that shall bring these things about.

While the meeting closed on Saturday and the horses and horsemen immediately wended their way to other points, the final curtain was not lowered until Wednesday, when the finishing touches were effected at a luncheon at the St. Francis at which Chas. W. Clark, "supported" by J. J. Nealon, J. Cheever Cowdin and Captain W. H. McKittrick, was host on behalf of the G. G. T. B. A. to a goodly gathering of newspaper men of this city and Oakland. The press and the association have been in harmony throughout all proceedings, not only before but during and after the meeting, and the luncheon was not only a testimonial to this pleasant relationship, but afforded an excellent opportunity for the outlining of the course to be pursued in the future. The association's aim is simple and straightforward—the re-establishment of the thoroughbred through the enactment of legislation creating racing under the control of a state commission, with legalized speculative investment through the medium of the pari-mutuel machine. This is the system that is a welcome success in other enlightened communities of the country, and in their efforts to bring about this end the gentlemen composing the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association are deserving of public support from every quarter.

The racing of the closing days of the meeting just passed resulted as follows:

Twenty-third Day—Thursday, September 16.

First race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: DeBolt & Eagleston's b g Light Knight (aged) by Free Knight—Elite III., 109 lbs., (Kirschbaum) won handily; Dr. Neufer (6), 108, second; Mandadero (6), 108, third; John Spohn, Kitty Stanfield, Lady James, Ida and Mi Alma also ran. Time, 1:08 1-5.

Second race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: C. E. Fountain's b g Roscas (4) by Castine—Rose of May, 108 lbs., (Washer) won handily; Teeto (5), 108, second; Charity Ward (3), 99, third; Sweetdale, Aunt Elsie, Loan Shark, Rooster, Orba Smile, Camia, La Cazadora and Ed Fitzgerald also ran. Time, 1:08 1-5.

Third race—Five furlongs. Panama-Pacific Exposition Handicap, two-year-olds, purse $470: El Palomar Stable's ch f Rose Marian by General Roberts—Rose Cherry, 118 lbs., (Washer) won easily; Carl Roberts, 115, second; Ed Cudihee, 116, third. Time, 1:01 4-5.

Fourth race—Five and a half furlongs, McKittrick Handicap, purse $300: Daniels & Hodges' ch g Loftus (5) by Dick Welles—Edna Shannon, 111 lbs., (Palms) won driving; Seneca (aged), 113, second; Scarlet Oaks (4), 118, third; Joe Hooker, Kootenay, Eureka, Orange Blossoms and Pajaroita II. also ran. Time, 1:06 4-5.

Fifth race—One mile, selling, purse $250: Texas Stable's ch g Augustus Heinze (4) by Caesarion—Sweet Eileen, 108 lbs., (Washer) won easily; Helen Hawkins (aged), 108, second; Canapa (aged), 108, third; Southern Gold, Acumen, Mary Emily, Rey, Quick, McAlan and Eastman also ran. Time, 1:41 4-5.

Sixth race—Five furlongs, selling, two-year-olds, purse $250: J. Randolph's br f Laughing Water by Rapid Water—Litholin, 104 lbs., (Nolan) won driving; Toastmaster, 109, second; Frank Patterson, 105, third; Bas Blancs, Brooks and Lola also ran. Time, 1:02 2-5.

Twenty-fourth Day—Friday, September 17.

First race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: J. H. Walker's b g Lofty Heywood (aged) by Heywood—Febette, 108 lbs., (Palms) won driving; Teeto (5), 108, second; Barbarita (3), 104, third; Arrowshaft, Rag, Chas. Goetz, Kitty Stanfield, Miss Genevieve, B. C. Winston, Sonoma and Make Good also ran. Time, 1:07 4-5.

Second race—Five furlongs, maiden two-year-olds, purse $250: J. Pelter's b f She'll Do by Waldo—Rose Pompon, 109 lbs., (Kirschbaum) won easily; Robert Lee, 112, second; Ojita, 109, third; Von Lady, Cuyama, Leah Cochran and Asama also ran. Time, 1:02.

Third race—Three furlongs, polo ponies, ridden by officers of the Army, Navy or Marine Corps, cup to winner: Canela (Capt. Lee) won easily; Dago Mike (Lt. Sands) second; Joker II. (Capt. McNally) third; Happy Hooligan II. also ran. Time, not taken.

Fourth race—One mile, selling, purse $300: W. C. Weant's b g Brando (6) by Orlando—Alice Brand, 111 lbs., (Taylor) won driving; Zoroaster (aged), 107, second; Lady Young (6), 106, third; Christmas Eve, Transparent, Electrowan and Vireo also ran. Time, 1:41.

Fifth race—One mile, selling, purse $250: A. Neal's b m Far Cathay (5) byBox—Two Lick, 108 lbs., (Nolan) won handily; Bredwell (6), 108, second; Fred T. (3), 99, third; Fort Johnson, Hannis, John Louis, Rhodes, Rey Shannon II., Emelda, Effie May and Lone Star also ran. Time, 1:42 2-5.

Sixth race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: Davies & Sieman's bl h Custom House (4) by Joe Carey—Ellen Atkin, 110 lbs., (Washer) won driving; Jake Argent (aged), 108, second; Darkey (5), 108, third; Briton, Azurea, Carondelet, Smoky Dan, The Feller, Faustina, Tordillo, Frances G. and Angelus also ran. Time, 1:07 2-5.

Seventh race—One mile, selling, purse $250: A. Dunlap's b c Stolen Ante (3) by Dorante—Stolen Moments, 104 lbs., (O'Mahoney) won easily; Commendation (aged), 108, second; Fairly (4), 108, third; Tom Chapman, Hardy, Superl, Henry Walbank, Ceos and Choctaw also ran. Time, 1:41 4-5.

Twenty-fifth Day—Saturday, September 18.

First race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: W. A. Watkin's bl m Arrowshaft (aged) by Ogden—Quiver, 108 lbs., (Gross) won driving; Van Horn (6), 108, second; Mandadero (6), 108, third; John Spohn, Igloo, Camia, Ida Pinack, Doc Stanley and Make Good also ran. Time, 1:08 2-5.

Second race—Five and a half furlongs, selling, purse $250: Mrs. M. V. Parker's b g Charity Ward (3) by Luck and Charity—Ollie Ward, 99 lbs., (Brazal) won driving; Dr. Neufer (6), 108, second; Miss Genevieve (6), 110, third; Finnigan, La Cazadora, Norford Rose, Lady James, Joe Busher, Rooster and Ed Fitzgerald also ran. Time, 1:08 2-5.

Third race—One mile and a sixteenth, selling, purse $250: Cooney & Co.'s b g Tom Chapman (5) by Conjuror—Lucky Star II., 108 lbs., (Guy) won easily; Ceos (4), 113, second; Henry Walbank (aged), third; Renwar, Superl, Nannie McDee and John Louis also ran. Time, 1:49.

Fourth race—Army horses, ridden by officers of the Army, Navy or Marine Corps, six furlongs, cup to winner: Satisfax (Lt. Sands) won easily; Kindness II (Lt. Stevenson) second; Chesspeak (Lt. Watson) third; Vive le Roy also ran. Time, 1:19 1-5.

Fifth race—One mile, San Francisco Handicap, purse $900: Nevada Stock Farm's b m Celesta (5) by Sempronius—Rezia, 125 lbs., (Washer) won in a canter; Brynlimah (5), 122, second; Madelle (5), 104, third; Rash and John Graham also ran. Time, 1:39 2-5.

Sixth race—Five and a half furlongs, Rossiter Handicap, purse $300: Nevada Stable's ch h Joe Hooker (4) by Rey del Sierras—Sainperia, 104 lbs., (Gross) won driving; Seneca (aged), 113, second; Eureka (aged), 104, third; Kootenay, Loftus, Scarlet Oaks, Orange Blossom, Sweetbait and Headfort also ran. Time, 1:06 2-5.

Seventh race—Six furlongs, selling, purse $300: J. McCarthy's br h Metropolitan (aged) by Filigrane—Annie Thompson, 115 lbs., (Gross) won easily; Diadi (4), 112, second; Ann Tilly (5), 121, third; Miss Folly, Old Bob and Tight Boy also ran. Time, 1:14 1-5.

Eighth race—One mile, selling, purse $300: T. Hatfield's ch m Lady Young (6) by Henry Young—Masker, 103 lbs., (Brazal) won handily; Conflagration (6), 103, second; Brando (6), 108, third; Cecil, Rey and Transparent also ran. Time, 1:40 4-5.

BIG FEATURES FOR RIVERSIDE FAIR.

Just one more week and then the Riverside District Fair will be going full blast, and, if great exhibits, keen racing and free attractions of thrilling, startling feats ever draw a crowd this year's fair will be a record breaker.

Twice daily Dr. Carver's great high diving sensations will entertain the multitudes, just as they are doing this month at Idora Park in Oakland and have done every September for the past five years. The Los Angeles Times says, "No million dollar show ever visited Los Angeles that had a sensation to compare with the forty-foot plunge on horseback by the 'Girl in Red.'"

In addition to Dr. Carver's high diving horses, men and women, Foley & Burke have been secured to bring the latest attractions and their shows will be a great factor in entertaining the crowds. There will be a big captive balloon on the grounds, the basket of which will carry passengers into the air for a bird'seye view of the city. From the sides of the balloon two parachutes will drop each day.

These are but a few of the special features being planned to amuse the 50,000 people who will enter the gates between the 5th and 9th of October. Already wonderful displays are assured, and in the trotting and pacing events there are sixty-nine entrants, four of the horses having been starters in the great $20,000 stakes at San Francisco. You cannot afford to miss the fair at Riverside this year—October 5 to 9, inclusive.

WOODLAND MARES AND COLTS AT AUCTION.

On October 25, the first day of the week witnessing the opening of the fall race meeting here at the exposition, a sale of trotting stock will be held at Woodland Stock Farm at which the offerings will include the choicest mares and youngsters from the Consdine establishment. Manager Dowling writes that everything on the place is for sale at either private or public venue, which means that great-bred colts, well developed youngsters and producing matrons of championship calibre may change owners. The date chosen is a good one, as horsemen and breeders from many parts of the country will be here for the exposition races, and will no doubt take advantage of the opportunity to pick up something to their liking. The bulk of the offerings will be the farm's own individuals, but persons wishing to make consignments to the sale are invited to do so, addressing Mr. Dowling at once. A complete announcement and review of the horses to be sold will appear later in this publication, and you will do well to watch for it.

DO NOT FORGET that entries to the ten one-thousand-dollar open events at the Arizona State Fair, immediately following the fall meeting at the P.-P. I. E., close with Secretary Shaughnessy on October first—next Friday. If you have not already secured an entry blank, do not risk sending for one at this late date but make your entries according to the program and conditions appearing elsewhere in this paper.

Thoroughbreds and their Racing in California

Long before the tide of western immigration had brought to the Golden Slope the hordes of sturdy Anglo-Saxon pioneers whose faith and industry were to place her among the "wonder states" of a wonderful land, the Spaniards, who for generations gone had ranged their countless herds of cattle from one end of her confines to the other, from the rolling hills where swept the restless tides of the Pacific far inland to the arid plains and the deserts, had proven one of her greatest gifts beyond all possibility of doubt, towit, that her grass-clad slopes and valleys carpeted with the richest of natural forage formed a veritable paradise for the production of the horse. It is to the Spaniard that we owe the introduction of the equine family to the American continent, and be it said that he was ever a horseman of parts—the best was none too good for him. Here the noblest of the four-footed friends of man thrived as he had done in no other sections of the vast domains over which the dusky dons held sway, and here the Spanish horse was brought to his highest point of development.

Then, as the years rolled on, there came the discovery of gold in the race at Sutter's Mill and its attendant rush from the east to the west of countless thousands of eager seekers after the hidden treasure, the warm blooded "American" of some generations of establishment on the soil of the western hemisphere predominating. By land and sea they came, and the sturdiest, the hardiest, and the most truly "American" of the pioneers were those who came by land. To these, good horseflesh was not merely a convenience, but a necessity of the greatest import. Not merely comfort and satisfaction enroute depended upon the quality of the horseflesh at their service, but in countless instances the issue of life and death hung in the balance. Many were the nameless graves and tragic piles of wolf-gnawed bones scattered here and there along the trails to mark the place where man or beast or both had lost in an unequal struggle—and not always was the battle waged with a red-skinned foe. Nature herself, most relentless of opponents when she so elects, played no small part in the decimation of the ranks of the argonauts. True, the Indians took their toll of the weak or the poorly mounted, but many a life was snuffed out because the livestock in use by those unfortunate souls did not possess the stamina required to make the number of desert miles and "dry camps" that would have won the way to the life-giving waters of the scattered springs and streams.

On the other hand, many of those who survived the rigors of the long-drawn journey owed their safety of life and limb to the excellence of their teams and saddle horses. Even as there is no royal road to knowledge, so was there no royal road to California, and those who traveled the road that was available were those who could successfully make the dash for life from the hostiles, or whose livestock, no matter what their travail, possessed the spark of fire that comes only from excellence of breeding that enabled them to drag out the weary miles from water hole to water hole.

Small wonder, then, that among the early Californians of our own race the horse of quality was held in high esteem. To him they owed practically everything, and to him they paid the tribute of genuine love and affection, and, once established in the new land, set about not only his perpetuation, but his improvement. With the knowledge that they had found a land of gold and a paradise for varied agricultural pursuits, there came very shortly the realization of the fact that the Spaniards had so long before found almost self-evident, that this California of theirs—and of ours—was unsurpassed for the development of the horse to his highest degree of excellence. Like the Spaniard, again, they found only the best good enough to fill their wants, and the world was combed for stallions and mares of a quality that came up to or approached their ideals, and in the course of a very few years, comparatively, thousands of dollars' worth of California gold went to the older settled sections of the land where the horse was king in exchange for the choicest of his kind.

Just what was the really first genuine thoroughbred brought to the Golden Slope, or the exact date of his arrival, is not known to the writer, but it has been well established that the first of the family foaled on California soil was Langford, the son of Williamson's Belmont and Liz Givens by imp. Langford that first saw the light of day in the spring of 1855, on Rock Creek in Colusa county, and from both Langford and his sire many of the excellent campaigners of California are descended.

So far as the sport of racing is concerned, it runs back far beyond the memory of man. The dons had their fiestas and gala days at which the horse always played a prominent part, and many an early pioneer had more than one race that was "hair raising" in a figurative manner of speech, and which would have been of the hair raising kind of a surety if he had lost it. Many were the impromptu contests for individual wagers in the prodigal days following the release of the first tides of the golden flood of wealth that was won from the bosom of good old Mother Earth by the pick, pan and rocker route, and real racing was not many moons delayed in making its appearance.

It has been said by some that a duly organized meeting was held in the fall of '50 at Sacramento, but San Francisco is generally credited with having given the first "really and truly" racing of a formal nature. Hardly San Francisco, either, to get right down to a point of hair-splitting accuracy, for the contests took place at "The Pioneer Race Course, of G. Treat, Esquire, at Mission Dolores, near San Francisco"—according to the best advices that have come down to us from that long distant day. The meeting began on the 24th day of March, 1851, and the first race was a sweepstake event, fifteen dollars each and $250 added by the citizens of San Francisco.

So much for the beginning of both breeding and racing.

What we are most truly interested in is what is to be, rather than what has been, but in planning the future a glance over the past is never out of place, for it is by experience that we learn, and California, so far as breeding and racing is concerned, is long on experience.

Like all other infant industries, both breeding and racing had many difficulties to surmount before they were permanently established on the Golden Slope, but the time came when the production of horses, the trotter as well as the thoroughbred, assumed a very high position among the leading industries of the state, taking rank only below mining and agriculture. The names of the men who were identified with horsebreeding in California are the names of those who hold high place in her history as doers of great deeds, builders of an empire. Not by single figures but by tens and scores can be counted the "sitters in the seats of the mighty" among our pioneers who were ardent lovers of the horse and who maintained establishments of from hundreds to thousands of acres for the perpetuation and improvement of the breed. The investment in horseflesh and stock farms ran high in the millions, and the investments in training and racing plants represented additional hundreds of thousands. Payrolls were generous, as was public patronage, and the amount of money kept in constant circulation through the combined industries, which go hand in hand if true success is to be the lot of either, was incalculable—and you will please bear in mind the self-evident fact that the circulating dollar is the "sign manual" of prosperity.

Before going any further in either a review of what has been or a sketch of what may be, we wish to lay especial stress upon a clause in the preceding paragraph that may have escaped your notice, the one to the effect that the industries of breeding and racing must go hand in hand if either is to achieve the fullest measure of success. In our estimation, one of the greatest single factors contributing to the downfall of both is the fact that they were under separate control, that the parties vitally interested in the one were not the parties in control of the other. The men who bred and raced horses were actual producers of wealth, while in too many cases those who conducted the racing amassed wealth through exploitation and speculation—and the result in the horse business was exactly that of numerous other large emprises. When the bubble was pricked the exploiters and speculators were the first to get out from under, and the real investors and producers were the goats. Legislation that was framed to eliminate the objectionable features of racing went further and with one sweep wiped from the actual assets of the state the millions of dollars invested in and derived from the breeding of horses.

It was a most beautiful example of one of those cases in which the operation was highly successful, but the patient died!

Now such a method of treatment is, of course, rather tough on the party most vitally concerned, but from such operations there usually comes this gain to humanity in general—the doctors learn how to avoid making such a fatal error the next time a similar subject comes under their observation, and learn also how the cure may be effected. If the sponsors of horse racing can profit to the same extent and apply their knowledge in a practicable way to their own particular line of endeavor, the former severe illness and subsequent death of the "dear departed" will not have been so much a real misfortune as a blessing in disguise.

Horseracing, through a combination of far-reaching powers, reached a point some years ago, not only here in California but in every racing center in the United States, where its position was wholly indefensible, absolutely untenable. There were many reasons such a condition of affairs could be brought



First of the "Native Sons" of the Thoroughbreds
LANGFORD
Foaled 1855 in Colusa county—Reproduction from a picture in the collection of Boutwell Dunlap.

out, one of the chief among them being that racing, in many of the most prominent cities, was promoted almost entirely by the gambling element and not by horsemen. Many racing promoters never owned a race horse, but many of the layers of odds forced horses that usually "ran for the book," and in too many instances the "king of sports" descended to the level of the loaded dice games and the double headed faro box with a pinhole deck, well sanded. Meetings were too numerous and too long, becoming too great a drain upon the public purse. Under such conditions—all of them of its own making—racing practically affixed the signature to its own death warrant. The re-establishment of racing has been a hard proposition, but it is coming back strongly in numerous sections where it flourished in the days gone by—but it is not coming back on the old basis. In the east and south, business men and bona fide horsemen are co-operating with gratifying results. In some states, legislation has been enacted legalizing the pari-mutuel system of speculation and creating state racing commissions composed of horsemen to have full control of the sport. The racing commission and the machine form the most nearly ideal system yet evolved in this country, and we would add but one other feature—that racing plants be owned and operated and that racing be promoted by associations composed exclusively of horsemen or business men, two classes of people who have every incentive for the establishment and maintenance of racing upon a firm and enduring basis.

Under such conditions, horse racing can be kept a true sport, a source of unalloyed pleasure to the general public, of moderate profits to the promoters and participants, and of communal prosperity throughout the sections in which it flourishes or in which the race horse is produced.

Whether or not Californians want thoroughbred racing back again, permanently, on such a basis, is no longer a question. The recent meeting of the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association settled all argument on that score. We want it.

Speed the day when we may have it!

BRADMONT DOWNED BY HAPPY DENTIST.

With the free-for-all pacers either laid away in the straw or shipped south to get ready for the races at Riverside, Happy Dentist and Bradmont, in a match race, furnished the chief drawing power in last Sunday's matinee at the Stadium. Some weeks ago they met in a mile dash at the exposition track, piloted by amateur skinners, and ever since then there has been talk of another meeting. The race Sunday was for blood, with experienced teamsters up, but the result was the same—Happy an impressive winner in 2:10½ and back in the same notch, Bradmont's defeat bringing a welcome "alibi" to Fred Purner, the Chronicle's "wizard of the reins," who was forced to take Happy's dust in the first meeting.

While some of the regulars were absent, a welcome visitor was present in the person of J. E. Strain of Marysville, who drove the contending horse in two of the afternoon's events. Lucia S., with Strain up, took the opening heat of the 2:18 pace in 2:14 and forced Senator H. to pace the second in 2:15 to beat her, the third and final mile also falling to the Senator. Mabel Dillon dropped the first heat of the 2:15 pace to King Pointer, who was closely followed by Emma M., but settled to her work in the next two heats to win both in handy fashion.

The free-for-all trot developed a brand new winner for the matinee season, the big brown mare Ella M. R. of the Giannini stable. Sandy Smith got her going and "threatened" with her at the time of her last appearance, and Sunday she was right, trotting two winning miles in 2:16, driven out alternately by Frances S. and Birdeye.

During the afternoon Mr. Strain exhibited the stallion King S. by Silver King, the showy chestnut fellow being much admired by the spectators. King S. is the sire of the "S" family from which the Strains have derived so much pleasure and considerable profit, Maurice S. 2:06 having been the coast's leading money winning pacer in Dick Wilson's hands in 1912. The summaries:

First race—2:18 pace:

Senator H.	(Joe Kidd)	5	1	1
Lucia S.	(J. E. Strain)	1	2	3
Jack	(McCDonnell & Conlan)	3	3	2
Victor Pointer	(Dan Keating)	2	5	5
Zorankin	(F. Callea)	4	4	w

Time—2:14, 2:15, 2:18.

Second race—2:15 pace:

Mabel Dillon	(B. Cohen)	3	1	1
King Pointer	(H. Campodonico)	1	3	2
Emma M.	(William Malough)	2	2	4
Hamburg Belle	(J. Ginocchio)	4	4	3

Time—2:13, 2:12, 2:14½.

Third race—2:12 pace:

Happy Dentist	(J. J. Ryan)	1	1
Bradmont	(G. J. Giannini)	2	2

Time—2:10½, 2:10½.

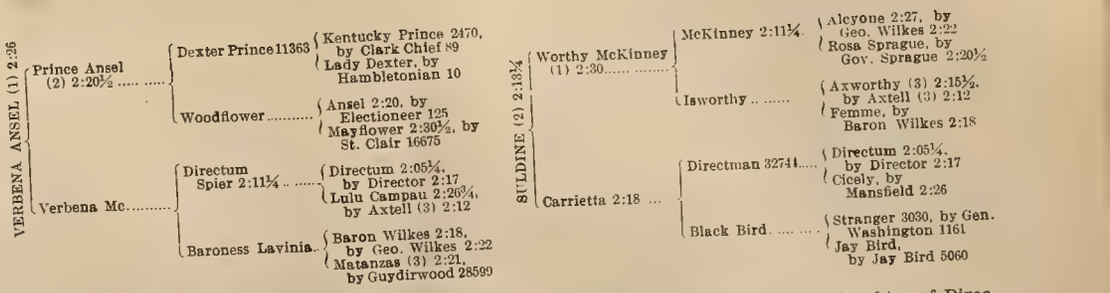
Fourth race—Free-for-all trot:

Ella M. R.	(G. J. Giannini)	1	1	
Francis S.	(J. E. Strain)	2	3	
Birdeye	(A. Combatalade)	3	2	
Muggins	(H. Cohen)	4	4	

Time—2:16, 2:16.

More Champions for J. W. Considine

HALF MILE TRACK RECORDS.



Two weeks ago, readers of the Breeder and Sportsman were pleased to learn that a brand new trotting championship had fallen to the yearling gelding Anselot (1) 2:28½ from the stable of Woodland Stock Farm at Lexington. Mr. Moody, at the time of the Lexington record meeting, had no hesitation in predicting further early honors for some of the youngsters in his care, and on last Thursday at Louisville made good his claims by annexing two more championships, this time of the halfmile track brand.

Very late last fall, on November 14, the yearling trotting filly, Bessie Admiral, turned the two-lap course at Washington, Pa., in the then record time of 2:28. Last week over a similar course at Louisville Verbena Ansel trotted in 2:26, thereby taking over that particular championship and equaling her own mile track performance of some two weeks before at Lexington. As stated previously, Verbena Ansel was bred at Woodland Stock Farm and is the first performer to be credited to a daughter of Directum Spier 2:11¼.

The other championship at Louisville fell to Suldine, through the trotting of a mile in 2:13¼, which is the fastest time made over a two-lap track by a two-year-old trotter of any sex. Nowaday Girl, whose record of 2:16¼ was made in 1912 in a race, formerly held this distinction, while the stallion record for the age, 2:18¼, was made against time in 1914 by Don Marque, so that the reductions made by Suldine are considerable. The son of Worthy McKinney and Carrietta, who was a champion yearling last season, was bred by J. D. Grover of Georgetown, Kentucky, but was foaled the property of Mr. Considine and received all his education at the hands of Hunter Moody. Prince Ansel now has two yearling champions among his list of performers, and Mr. Considine's course in sending a number of his youngsters to Kentucky to show eastern people that Woodland Stock Farm "has the goods" has been amply justified.

LAST DAY AT SYRACUSE.

Syracuse, Sept. 17.—After a week of the most successful and interesting racing in the history of the local track, the Grand Circuit meeting held in conjunction with the New York state fair came to a close today, a number of fast amateur races to wagon rounding out the program of professional events. Lizzie Brown, who upset the expert calculations at some of the earlier meetings, was the real surprise of the day, taking the 2:09 trot in excellent style after dropping the first heat to Mirthful. Cleverly handled by Lon McDonald, Ames Albingen disposed of the 2:16 trotters without much trouble, while Queen Abbess, with Ben White up, got away with the lion's share of the money in the 2:10 pace after a four heat argument with Lustrous McKinney and Ashlook. The The summary:

Syracuse, Sept. 17.—2:09 trot, purse $1,200:

Lizzie Brown, br m by The Bondsman	(Valentine)	6	1	1
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen	(Murphy)	1	2	2
Harry J. S., bl h by Admiral Dewey	(Tyson)	2	4	4

Hazel Laing, Adbell M., Nata Prime, Lady Grattan, Guy Nella and Parcliffe also started.
Time—2:08½, 2:06¼, 2:06¼, 2:06½.

2:16 trot, purse $1,200:

Ames Albingen, b h by Albingen	(McDonald)	1	1	1
Ginger Boy, b g	(Garrison)	2	2	6
Woodlawn Girl, b m by Erino	(Jones)	6	3	2

Red Gift, Jeannette Speed, Todd McGregor and King Bellini also started.
Time—2:11¼, 2:10¾, 2:10½.

2:10 pace, purse $1,000:

Queen Abbess, b m by The Abbe	(White)	2	1	1
Lustrous McKinney, b h by McKinney	(Rodney)	1	3	3
Ashlook, ch h by Ashland A.	(Crossman)	6	4	2

Jean, Fern Hal, Al Direct, Budd Elliott, Cora Walker and Baby Bertha also started.
Time—2:05¼, 2:05¼, 2:06½, 2:05¼.

AUSPICIOUS OPENING AT COLUMBUS.

Columbus, O., Sept. 20.—With the Grand Circuit season of 1915 entering upon its last month, the annual fall meeting at the local course began today under pleasing conditions, everything pointing to a most successful meeting providing the weather man is willing. The track was not absolutely "on edge," but there was some excellent time made and the fields were large.

Vaster, the twelve-year-old gray gelding from the Ragsdale string, sprung the surprise of the day in the opening event for 2:11 trotters. Alonzo McDonald and the roan mare Duchess headed the field of nineteen to the wire in the first heat in the respectable time of 2:08, with Vaster well back in ninth position. Int the second, however, the aged gelding came to life and proceeded to trim the roan mare in two fast heats, after which the going in the fourth was easier.

The juvenile trotters had an inning today in the two-year-old division of the Horse Review futurity, Volga setting a new mark for the age and gait for the present season by winning in straight heats in 2:11¾ and 2:09¾, White occupying the sulky in place of Billy Andrews. Bingen Silk was second in the first heat, but it was John E. Madden's Siliko filly, Walnut Tree, that forced the sister to Peter Volo to trot below 2:10 in the second mile.

Russell Boy and Marse Edward Geers are still the rulers of the stake pacers, demonstrating their superiority today by reeling off three merry miles in 2:03 or better. Our Colonel, Single G. and Beth Clark took turns in driving out the winner, but none of them could show the way to the wire. The 2:14 pace was carried over after Bessie R. had taken two heats and Camelia one, to be concluded tomorrow. The details:

Columbus, Sept. 20.—2:11 trot, purse $1,200:

Vaster, gr g by Vasteen	(Ragsdale)	9	1	1
Duchess, ro m by Allerteen	(McDonald)	1	2	2
Evelyn D., ch m by Sidney Dillon	(Hall)	2	6	4

Abu Taleb, Jack K., Tommy de Forrest, F. A. L., Sadie Penn, Dick Watts, Nata Prime, Strafford, Oro Society, Lottie Simmons, Willgo, Guy Nella, Barney Gibbs, Zombro Belle, Lucille Spier and Bon Guy also started.
Time—2:08, 2:07¼, 2:07½, 2:10¼.

Horse Review Futurity, two-year-old trotters, purse $3,000:

Volga, ch f by Peter the Great	(White)	1	1
*Bingen Silk, b c by Bingen	(Chandler)	2	4
*Walnut Tree, b f by Siliko	(Murphy)	4	2

Atlantika, Nelly the Great and Suldine also started.
*Divide second and third money.
Time—2:11¾, 2:09¾.

King Stake, 2:06 pace, purse $3,000:

Russell Boy, b h by Rustic Patenter	(Geers)	1	1	1
Single G., b h by Anderson Wilkes	(Gosnell)	3	2	3
Our Colonel, b h by Colonel Cochran	(F. Childs)	2	7	4

Beth Clark, Lelia Patchen, Major Ong, Harry the Ghost, Baron A., The Beaver and Nutmoor also started.
Time—2:03, 2:02¾, 2:03.

2:14 pace, purse $1,200 (unfinished):

Bessie R., b m by Captain H.	(Robinson)	1	1	4
Camelia, b m by Cummer	(Cox)	3	6	1
Patrick M., bl g by Norbells	(Stokes)	2	2	3

Dwight Logan, Margie Hal, Joe Ashland, Thistle Patch, Tango and Kitty Bannerliss also started.
Time—2:05¼, 2:07¾, 2:07¾.

Second Day at Columbus.

Columbus, Sept. 21.—The largest field of three-year-old trotters that ever faced a starter over the Columbus track came out early this afternoon to race for the eight thousand dollars that composed the Horse Review futurity's offering for the age and gait, seventeen good juveniles taking the word in the first heat. Deroche, from the Geers stable, ruled favorite over the big field, but the money went to the outsider Mary Putney, recently purchased from Walter Cox by Chauncey Sears of Fall River, Mass., and piloted today by Dick McMahon. Challenged in the first heat by Deroche and in the second by Colorado Range, the daughter of San Francisco proved her superiority over both by winning in the excellent time of 2:08¼. Murphy, with the fast filly Bondella, finished well back in the bunch, but evened up for the day by driving Peter Scott to an easy win in the big stake for aged trotters.

Camelia had things her own way in the final heats of the 2:14 pace, carried over from yesterday, Dwight Logan being the nearest contender. The 2:11 pace developed into a merry four-heater, the pantalooned pacer Fred Russell spearing the last three after finishing next to last in the first one, which went to the Canadian pacer Billy Brino. Billy faded after his win, the Hersey entry being driven out each time by Margot Hal, who went a very nice race after once squaring away. The summary:

Columbus, Sept. 21.—2:14 pace, three heats Sept. 20 (above), purse $1,200:

Camelia, b m by Cummer	(Cox)	1	1
Bessie R., b m by Captain H.	(Geers)	6	3
Dwight Logan, br h by Bert Logan	(Valentine)	2	2

Patrick M., Joe Ashland, Tango, Margie Hal, Thistle

Patch, Kitty Bannerliss and Goldie C. also started.
Time—2:08, 2:09.

Horse Review Futurity, three-year-old trotters, purse $8,000:
Mary Putney, b f by San Francisco.....(McMahon) 1 1
Colorado Range, b c by Colorado E.....(McDonald) 4 2
Deroche, ch c by John A. McKerron.....(Geers) 2 5
Humfast, Native Spirit, The Colorado Belle, Onward Forbes, Allie Watts, Bondella, Clenathan, Harry Todd, Binland, The Royal Knight, Isworthy McKinney, Florence White, Peter Chenault and Don Marque also started.
Time—2:08¼, 2:08¼.

Hoster-Columbus Breweries Stake, 2:14 trot, purse $10,000:
Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great....(Murphy) 1 1 1
Mabel Trask, ch m by Peter the Great.....(Cox) 2 2 7
Lettie Lee, b m by Moko.....(White) 4 3 2
Slippast, Sadie S., McCloskey, Todd Temple, The Guide and Miss Directed also started.
Time—2:07, 2:08¾, 2:08.

2:08 pace, purse $1,200:
Fred Russell, b g by Little Frank....(Hersey) 11 1 1 1
Billy Brino, b h by Wild Brino Jr (V. Fleming) 1 5 9 5
Margot Hal, b m by Argot Hal....(McDonald) 7 2 2 2
Auto Zombro, Fleeta Dillon, Ben Locanda, Lustrous McKinney, Peter Chimes, May E. Pick, Altawood and Grace D. also started.
Time—2:06¼, 2:05¼, 2:07¼, 2:07½.

Third Day at Columbus.

Columbus, Sept. 22:—Seventeen heats were raced here this afternoon but the time, with but one exception, was very moderate and hard fought, closely contested finishes were lacking in any number. The best race of the day was between George Todd and Miss Harris M. in the three-year-old pacing division of the Horse Review futurity, the champion having to pace his second mile within half a second of his own world's record to stave off the rush of Miss Harris M., who was the contender in the record performance at Indianapolis.

Hal Boy has finally won a race, but not a great one, as nothing in the field could force him to pace faster than 2:07. Margaret Druien took the special trot as she pleased, the contest being between Star Winter and Joan for place, the former having the most whizz in the stretch in two of the three heats.

The 2:15 trot was split to two races for purses of $800 each, both being raced in about the same time. Seneca Boy, after winning two straight in his division, had to give way to Roy Miller, a second choice, while Rose D., from the Hoosier twice arounds, handled her field nicely after the first heat. The results in detail:

Columbus, Sept. 22.—2:15 trot, first division, purse $800:
Roy Miller, b h by Bingara.....(Grady) 7 2 1 1 1
Seneca Boy, ch g by King Entertainer....
.....(W. Fleming) 1 1 4 7 3
Alice McGregor, b m by Jay McGregor....
..... (McAllister) 2 6 3 2 2
Farmer Gentry, Par McKerron, Herbert, Cozine, Parcliffe and Jeannette Speed also started.
Time—2:11¾, 2:10¼, 2:11¾, 2:11¼, 2:13½.

Horse Review Futurity, three-year-old pace, purse $3,000:
General Todd, b c by George Todd.....(Rea) 1 1
Miss Harris M., b f by Peter the Great..(McDonald) 2 2
Lady Aubrey, br f by Captain Aubrey.....(Tyson) 3 3
Sad Thoughts also started.
Time—2:06¼, 2:04¾.

Hotel Hartman Stake, 2:13 pacers, purse $5,000:
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.....(McMahon) 1 1 1
Judge Ormonde, bl h by Ormonde...(Valentine) 4 2 2
Aconite, b h by Aquilin.....(Cox) 2 3 3
Fred Mack and Peter Farren also started.
Time—2:09, 2:07½, 2:07.

2:15 trot, second division, purse $800:
Rose D., ch m by Sidney Dillon.....(Fodall) 7 1 1 1
Fair Virginia, bl m by Zombro.....(Cox) 1 3 3 6
Judge Jones, b g by Prodigal...(F. G. Jones) 2 2 4 5
Oro Society, Willow Mack, The Katydid, King Charlie, Bida and Aulsbrook also started.
Time—2:10¼, 2:11¼, 2:10¼, 2:13¾.

Special trot, purse $1,200:
Margaret Druien, b m by Peter the Great (Cox) 1 1 1
Star Winter, b g by Ed Winter.....(McDonald) 2 3 2
Joan, br m by Directum Spier.....(McDevitt) 3 2 3
Time—2:07¼, 2:06¼, 2:08¼.

Fourth Day at Columbus.

Columbus, Sept. 23.—Favorites ruled the entire card today and in most cases won handily and without serious challenge, as not a real stretch drive developed during the afternoon, though the time was better than on previous days, but one heat being slower than 2:10. A stiff wind cut the time of the final quarters in almost every instance, facing it at utmost speed being a task too great to ask of a horse, no matter how good. Etawah, starting to reduce his former record of 2:03¼, clipped the fraction from it in spite of the wind he had to buck, and looks able to dent the stallion record before the season closes. Geers also had a winning ride behind Napoleon Direct, Earl Jr. carrying him two heats close to 2:02, after which things eased up considerably. Anna Bradford "threatened" for a time in the first heat, but a break retired her from the contention.

Lizzie Brown and Queen Abbess both went excellent races, while Ames Albingen had the edge over his field at practically all points during the contest. The summary:

Columbus, Sept. 23. 2:10 pace, purse $1,200:
Queen Abbess, b m by The Abbe.....(White) 1 1 1
Joan, b m by Flosko.....(Murphy) 2 3 2
Lustrous McKinney, b g by McKinney..(Rodney) 6 2 4
Fern Hal, Ross Keith, Texas Jim, Kate McKinney, Hal Mapes, Tommy Direct, Lord Seymour, All Direct and Clara Walker also started.
Time—2:07, 2:04¾, 2:04½.

Capital City Stake, 2:08 trot, purse $3,000:
Lizzie Brown, b m by The Bondsman (Valentine) 1 1 1
Lucille Spier, b m by Directum Spier (Slaughter) 2 2 2
Lulu Lunnine, b m by Orator.....(Murphy) 3 3 6
Duchess, Willko Lady Grattan and Bonington also started.
Time 2:06½, 2:06½, 2:07.

Free-for-all pace, purse $1,200:
Napoleon Direct, ch h by Walter Direct..(Geers) 1 1 1
Earl Jr., gr h by The Earl.....(Cox) 2 2 4
R. H. Brett, b g by Waponce.....(Grady) 3 3 2
Walter Cochato and Anna Bradford also started.
Time—2:02½, 2:02¼, 2:05½.

2:19 trot, purse $1,200:
Ames Albingen, b h by Albingen.....(McDonald) 1 1 1
Durin, b g by The Director General.....(Marsh) 4 2 2
Tommy Todd, b g by Todd Mac.....(Snow) 2 8 3
Idora Worthy, Pony Express, Princess Margrave, Audrey Grey, Harry Potter, Miss Cresceus, Zulu Maid and Regardless also started.
Time—2:09¼, 2:09¼, 2:10¼.

To beat 2:03¼ trotting:
Etawah, b h by Al Stanley.....(Geers) won
Time—:30, :59¾, 1:30¼, 2:03.

RUSSELL BOY 2:02¼, THE STAKE PACER.

When Frank Bogash Jr. 1:59¼, son of a hoppled pacer of the long ago, came out of the Canadian bushes a few seasons back and in one campaign on the Grand Circuit reduced his record from 2:12¼ to 2:01¾, winning a series of brilliant victories, it was discovered that, while his pedigree was not what would be termed fashionable, it nevertheless was of the sort that is best described by the word "sterling," and that its blood elements carried the strains that had produced the best families of the present day.

Exactly the same state of facts is found when the pedigree of Russell Boy 2:02¼, one of the really sensational pacers of 1915, is analyzed, and the combination of strains that did yeoman service in the upbuilding of the American harness horse is even more marked than in the case of Frank Bogash Jr.

Briefly stated, the pedigree of Russell Boy reads: By Rustic Patenter, dam Maud F., by Vatican 7906 (son of Acolyte 2:21, dam Santa Claus, a triple producer); grandam, Ella M., by Amboy (grandson of Green's Bashaw 50). Green's Bashaw was a grandson of Vermont Black Hawk, he a grandson of Justin Morgan, and the second dam of Green's Bashaw was the Charles Kent Mare, famous as the dam of Hambletonian 10, the greatest progenitor of trotters. The stallion, Amboy, which got the second dam of Russell Boy, was a son of Amboy 769, and he carried a double cross of the Vermont Black Hawk 5 strain, since his sire was a great grandson of that horse, while his second dam was by Bell Morgan, grandson of Vermont Black Hawk 5.

Rustic Patenter, sire of Russell Boy, is by Rustic Wood, dam Alpha Patenter, by Patenter; grandam, Molly White, by Nihilist. Rustic Wood was by Guydirwood (son of Nutwood, dam by Guy Wilkes, grandam by Director), and his dam was by Allie Russell (son of Mambrino Russell, dam Alley, dam of Wilton 2:19¼, a famous sire by Hambletonian 10). Mambrino Russell was by Woodford Mambrino 2:21½, dam Miss Russell, greatest of broodmares(by Pilot Jr. Woodford Mambrino was by Mambrino Chief, and, in addition to being a high-class race horse trotter, he got thirteen trotters, while twenty-five of his sons have sired 145 trotters and twenty-five pacers, and twenty-sixe of his daughters have produced forty-three trotters and one pacer. Pancoast (sire of Prodigal, Patron and Patronage) is a son of Woodford Mambrino. Princeps (sire of Trinket 2:14, the first four-year-old trotter to beat 2:20) is another, and Mambrino Russell is a third.

Patenter, sire of the dam of Rustic Patenter (sire of Russell Boy), likewise runs in the male line to Woodford Mambrino, his sire being Pancoast and his dam Tot, by Dictator; grandam, Annie, by Cottrill Morgan, son of Vermont Black Hawk 24. Annie became a notable many years ago as the dam of the pacer Westmont 2:13¾, who startled the turf world by doing a mile with running mate in 2:01¾ the very first time he was tried at that hitch. Peter V. Johnston, who later broke Peter the Great 2:07¼, as a yearling, and drove him to victory in the Kentucky Futurity at three, was the man who sat behind Westmont when that record-breaking mile was put on the books. That was at the Garfield Park track, Chicago, in 1884, and, as a well-known driver used to say when referring to horses and their records, "I seen him when he done it." But never again could Westmont be induced to pace any such mile with a runner to drag him, wherefore a number of exhibitions hastily arranged were abandoned after the initial fiasco, which took place at Pittsburgh.

Nihilist, sire of the second dam of Rustic Patenter, was a very highly bred horse, he being by Strathmore, dam of Almont; grandam by Mambrino Chief.

Down in the corn belt of Illinois where Russell Boy was bred by Ellis Frank, who still owns him, there was a tremendous interest in the trotting horse way back at the time of the Civil War. Green's Bashaw, foaled in Orange county, N. Y., went to Muscatine, Ia., at an early day and his sons and grandsons soon were plentiful in Illinois. Hazlett's Amboy (sire of the second dam of Russell Boy(was a son of Amboy 769 (foaled 1866), better known as Corbin's Amboy, as, although bred in Iowa, he was owned most of his life by "Wash" Corbin of Quincy, Ill., and in 1878, two years before his death, he was mated with Hazlett Queen, a daughter of Singleton's Silverheels, so called from his ownership by General Singleton, of Quincy, a power in early-day Illinois politics. The dam of Hazlett Queen was a daughter of Bell Morgan, grandson of Vermont Black Hawk 5. Bell Morgan was by Cottrill Morgan, which horse figures twice in the pedigree of Russell Boy, as Annie (dam of the pacer Westmont, alluded to above) was by Cottrill Morgan.

Both Green's Bashaw and Amboy died in 1880, and today's interest in those fine representatives of the one-time famous Morgan breed of horses centers in Russell Boy, whose work this season has been of a spectacular character. Only last week he fought t a winning finish a desperate six-heat battle over th Hartford track, the fastest heat of the six bein 2:04½, and the slowest 2:06¼, with Russell Boy firs or second at the end of every one of those miles And the previous week, at the Empire City trac (which was two or three seconds slower than Nort Randall or Lexington at its best), Russell Boy wo the third and fourth heats of another victorious cor test in 2:04¼ each.

At Detroit he won a fifth heat in 2:04¾, and i should not be forgotten that in all his fast miles th route from wire to wire taken by Russell Boy ha been the long one, Mr. Geers driving him very wid around the first turn and never trying to step hin any in that part of the heat. Could Russell Boy b "zinged" away from the wire, as may be done witl most fast pacers, a mile around the 2:00 mark seem ingly would be easy for him. He has shown beyonc cavil that, when he goes on the pace all the way, he can take the overland route and trim his fields, or—sticking to the pole—lay far back of the others unti the halfmile pole is reached, and then come home ir less than a minute.

"What is Rustic Patenter, the sire of this here flying machine?" I heard an excited gent with a fog horn voice demand to be informed at Cleveland afte young Franks, son of the Illinois farmer who bred and still owns Russell Boy, had won a heat in 2:03¾ pacing on the outside rim of the track most of the way.

I felt a good deal that way myself, not having had Rustic Patenter or "the flying machine" called to my attention previous to that race, and decided to look into the matter at the first opportunity. Looking, I delved, and found what has been sketched above. And after the delving and the chronicling I am obliged to rate Russell Boy as a bred-in-the-purple pacer as well as a sensationally fast one. Nutwood 2:18¾, Guy Wilkes 2:15¼, Director 2:17, and a few other sires in the male line, Miss Russell and all sorts of top class breeding in the female line, ending with the Morgan strain through Green's Bashaw, all combine to make the pacer from the Illinois corn belt a regular little giant in the pedigree line, while his speed is of the phenomenal sort, and his gameness reminds one of the gamecocks the boys around "Peory" used to fight—and, perhaps, still do.—H. T. White, Horse Breeder.

LOVELAND, COLORADO.

Loveland, Col., Aug. 31.—3:00 pace, purse $300:
Ben Corbitt Jr., b g by Ben Corbitt....(Young) 1 1 1
Quick Tide, bl m by Noontide.....(Lewis) 2 3 2
Armadillo, bl m by Montana Grattan..(Hoffman) 3 2 3
Tahwanee Patch, b c (3) by Dan Patch..(Mead) 4 4 5
Direct Line, 6-6-4; Lady Kemmath, 5-5-6; Bingen Direct, dis.
Time—2:18½, 2:16½, 2:21.

Sept. 1.—2:30 trot, purse $500:
Bill Jones, bl h by Derby Mac.....(Jones) 1 1 4 2 1
Great Ivan, b h by Ivan the Great.....
.....(MacDermid) 3 3 1 1 2
Socious, b h by Spokane.....(Wood) 2 2 3 4 4
Miss Denver, b m by McMont.....(Lord) 4 5 2 3 2
D. J. Burke, 5-4-5-dr.
Time—2:21¼, 2:20, 2:22½, 2:21½, 2:20½.

2:15 pace, purse $500:
Belle W., bl m by Sherman Bell.....(Westrope) 1 1 1
Josie Knight, gr m by Twelfth Night...(Dennis) 2 3 2
Queen Volo, b m by Volo.....(Ward) 3 2 4
Hallie Wilkes, b m by Due Hal.....(Iago) 4 4 5
Mono Ansel, 7-5-3; Direct Queen, 5-7-6; The Major, 8-8-7; Jenny Fitzsimmons, 6-6-dr.
Time—2:12½, 2:12½, 0:00.

Sept. 2.—2:24 pace, purse $500:
Van Sickel, b h by Gambetta Wilkes....(Tucker) 1 1 1
Evermore, br h by Dan McKinney.....(Burnett) 2 2 2
Pope Hartford, bl g by Wild Nutling...(Finley) 3 3 3
Bonnie Belle, gr m by Due Hal.....(Brown) 4 4 4
Don Quixote, 5-5-5; Tony C., 6-6-dr.
Time—2:14½, 2:16, 2:14¼.

2:15 trot, purse $500:
Great Northern, b g by Wayland W.....(Porter) 1 1 1
Doctor Wayo, b h by Wilkhurst.....(Ward) 2 2 2
Vice Baroness, b m by Vice Commodore.(Wilson) 3 3 3
Colonel Chittenden, ch h by Colonel Cochran...
.....(Autrey) 4 4 4
Tom Todd, 6-6-5; Arapahoe, 7-7-6; one other also started.
Time—2:19½, 2:19, 2:23.

Sept. 3.—Free-for-all pace, purse $500:
Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney.....(Jones) 1 1 4 1
Waynetta, br m by The Admiral....(Burnett) 2 2 1 2
Pointer's Daughter, b m by Star Pointer....
.....(Blosser) 3 3 2 3
Red Rock, ch g by Lewis Wilkes...(McGuire) 4 4 3 4
Time—2:12, 2:09½, 2:16, 2:15¾.

2:24 trot, purse $500:
Charm King, b m by Norval King.....(Morton) 1 1 1
Ella Bell Maden, b m by Almaden D..(Ellsworth) 2 3 4
Socious, b h by Spokane.....(Dennis) 3 4 2
Kildare, bl g by Zombro.....(Bell) 4 2 3
Red Rice, 5-5-5.
Time—2:23, 2:22½, 2:21¼.

A FERTILE MARE MULE.

According to the Sacramento Union, a genuine freak of nature, a mule that is not barren, is possessed by Dan Sullivan, a farmer who resides five miles north of Weed in Siskiyou county, this mule having given birth to a colt during the month of May. Attorney Phillip S. Driver, who lately returned from a vacation trip to Siskiyou county, brought back pictures of the mule and the colt. He says that the offspring would be taken for a horse colt, which is not surprising as it is three-quarters horse. Its ears are no larger than those of an ordinary colt, the mule in it showing in the hairy condition of the inside of the ears and in the pointed hoofs.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

NOTES and NEWS

Verbena Mc (1) 2:26.
Suldine (2) 2:13¼.
Both halfmile track records.
Thus do Woodland Stock Farm and J. W. Consi-ne gather unto themselves two more champion-ips.

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Don't fail to look up the Phoenix program if you ve not already made your entries. All events close tober first.

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College Gent and Starve Rock had a hot one Wed-sday at Springfield, dividing first and second money the end of five heats, the fastest of which was ced in 2:08¼.

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That sale at Woodland is going to give some one excellent opportunity to get some great mares and ungsters at their own prices. Don't overlook the nouncement.

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Ed Strain of Marysville brought down a few horses om home late last week and made himself the belle of the ball" at Sunday's matinee at the Sta-ium.

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Dicto was a winner again this week for Will DeRy-er, taking the 2:25 pace at Springfield. He is a etter horse than generally given credit for on his ast performances here at home.

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The Grand Circuit is entering upon its last month f activity for the season, Lexington following Co-mbus and "telling the tale." Then—westward ho, or the P.-P. I. E. and Phoenix.

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Miss Perfection was beaten Tuesday at Springfield y the Illinois trotter Axtien, the best time being :09¾ over a bad track. They are due to meet again ere in the big stake if all goes well with them.

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Riverside has a first rate entry list and the racing here promises to be the best pulled off on a half-mile track in California in years. The complete pro-gram and list of entries will be published next week.

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Baron Todd, the brown horse that was under the weather while here this spring in Lon McDonald's stable, sprung a surprise at Indianapolis by "cop-ping" in straight heats, though he failed to break into the 2:10 list.

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The Beaver, out of commission all season from an accidentally shattered hoof, got back in the game again at Columbus and will probably be in good rac-ing shape by the time the bell rings at the exposition track the last of October.

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Bertha Carey and George N. Patterson both did all a good horse needs to do this week at Springfield—annexed first money for Charley DeRyder and Homer Rutherford. This Rutherford gentleman looks able to bother someone mightily in the local futurities in November.

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Stake and purse offerings for the meeting at Lexington which commences October fourth total the neat little sum of eighty-five thousand dollars. Five hundred and one horses are eligible to the late closers, while the futurities have fields that promise excellent sport.

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Fleeta Dillon and Lawrence Shuler, who made a surprisingly good team here at the exposition meeting, had troubles of their own after going east but squared away in great shape at the Indiana State Fair, winning the 2:07 pace in time that gave the two-year-old champ a winrace record of 2:08¼.

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Next week witnesses the opening of the exposition horse shows for the breeding classes, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and the following Monday being devoted to the horse. The various classes will be exhibited in the forum in the livestock department, beginning at 9 o'clock each morning.

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Life on the big line is just one durn thing after another. Russell Boy and Pop Geers didn't have Hal Boy to contend with Monday at Columbus, but Our Colonel, Single G. and Beth Clark took turns in "trying," with the result that Marse Ed had to skin his "Illinoy" bird over a fair track three times in 2:03 or better.

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The Oregon State Fair commences Monday at Salem to continue throughout the week, with promise of the best of success. Secretary W. Al Jones and his associates have worked early and late on every department, with the result that the stock pens and speed barns, as well as the other exhibit buildings, have been severely taxed to accommodate all comers. It is the last race meeting of pretention prior to the fall meeting here, and most of the California contingent will ship at once to local tracks for the final prep for the big fray.

Friday, October first, at five o'clock p. m., has been designated by Secretary J. I. Thompson as the time for the next annual meeting of the California Draft Horse Breeders' Association, the members to gather at the convention hall in the livestock department at the P.-P. I. E., as most of them will be in attendance at the exposition shows at that time.

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We wish to break this to you easy, folks, and if time and financial resources permitted we would notify you on a postal card, enclosed in an envelope—Hal Boy has won a race! However, do not grow excited, as it was scarcely a "race." Russell Boy and Single G. were absent, and Judge Ormonde, in his home town, couldn't or wouldn't make the pony pacer beat 2:07.

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Runnymede, the famous son of Voter and Running Stream, will be installed as premier stallion at Napa Stock Farm, the thoroughbred speed nursery of A. B. Spreckels. Napa has weathered the storm better than any of the old farms, and its output has been in demand under the most adverse circumstances, so that with the running game "looking up" and a new infusion of the best blood obtainable the future of the famous old place promises well.

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One thing that is far from being a drug on the California live stock market at present is a good young Holstein bull. At the Weldon dispersal on Sept. 16 at Hanford, Prince Gelsche Walker Kerndyke brought $4,000 and Juliana DeKol King Segis was knocked down at $1,800. Both animals were bred at the ranch of A. W. Morris & Sons at Woodland, and the Prince, purchased by Fred Keisel of Sacramento, is the highest priced native on record.

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The Twelfth Annual Alberta Fair, which embraces the fat stock, dairy, seed and poultry shows, will be held December 14 to 17 at Victoria Park, Calgary. Secretary E. L. Richardson is already distributing the prize lists for the fat stock department, and the complete programs for the poultry and seed shows are in course of preparation and will be sent out by Messrs. W. N. Gibson and James D. Smith some thirty days prior to the opening of the events.

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Through an error in our correspondent's figures McAdrian's time in the 2:30 trot at Ferndale was given as 2:35½ in the first heat, when it should have been 2:25½—a difference that much improves the appearance of the race on paper. Humboldt county horsemen evidently have taken a fancy to McAdrian, as E. D. Diggs, his owner, writes that the son of Guy McKinney will remain in that vicinity and make a stud season there in 1916.

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Colonel O. P. Updegraff and Magnus Flaws staged their celebrated "sister act" at the Minnesota State Fair, their performance as starter and presiding judge, respectively, meeting with such general approbation that there were no calls for "the hook." They have other joint engagements to keep them occupied until the time comes to reserve an upper for San Francisco, where their season will probably close. At that, they might be put on successfully at Phoenix, and we offer the suggestion to Secretary Shaughnessy without charge.

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In a mixup between Strathtell and Charton Boy early in the week at the Illinois State Fair the popular Canadian teamster, Barney Barnes, the "red pheasant of the north," was thrown from his seat and painfully injured. Telegraphic advices do not state the extent of his injuries, but it is to be hoped that they are of a minor nature that will not prevent his appearance here in November, for we would miss Barney sadly. Whether the judges exercised any disciplininary powers is doubtful, but as "introduced pheasant" in Illinois is on the protected list until 1923 it seems that the jock behind Charton Boy might be "handled" under the game laws.

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General Todd and Miss Harris M. indulged in another duello at Columbus with the colt again the best, the filly again forcing him to pace the second heat below 2:05. Immediately after the race announcement was made that Eugene Mettler had sold Miss Harris M. to his fellow townsman, Stoughton A. Fletcher, owner of Hal Boy and a number of other high class campaigners. As Mr. Fletcher is one of Alonzo McDonald's staunch friends and constant patrons the speedy lass will probably remain in Lon's stable, and it is certainly to be hoped that owner and trainer meet with better fortune than was theirs in the case of Squantum.

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Walter Cox, the vender of Peter Scott and Lee Axworthy, has "done gone an' done it again." Two weeks or so ago he sold to Chauncey Sears of Fall River, Mass., the three-year-old trotting filly Mary Putney by San Francisco. Her new owner turned her over to Dick McMahon and in this wily gentleman's hands Mary didn't do a thing but upset all the dope by taking the senior division of the Horse Review futurity in straight heats. Her record of 2:08¼ stamps San Francisco as a double sire of 2:10 speed at the trot, St. Frisco having preceded her into the charmed circle by some days. California has a right to feel a proprietary interest in the young lady, as her sire and dam are both Californians, Mendocino and Esther (dam of Expressive, etc.) by Express.

WILL CANADIAN NON-RECORD RULE HOLD GOOD?

Our contemporary, The Canadian Sportsman, calls the attention of horsemen in a recent issue, to an inducement offered by the newly organized Canadian National Trotting and Pacing Horse Association, to increase its membership by inserting a rule in its book, not giving bars to horses that race at its betless meetings, even if purses are raced for.

The authority for this liberality is given in Rule 49, paragraph 2, which states:

"In determining the eligibility of horses to compete in public races, only the records made by the winners of races shall be considered. Records made in performance against time and in trials of speed at agricultural fairs and at other meetings where no public betting is allowed, shall constitute a breeder's record, and shall not be considered a bar to eligibility to race, provided that such agricultural associations are members of the Canadian National Trotting and Pacing Harness Horse Association."

Now, this rule is a very good one, if the horses that compete are raced only in Canada, and on tracks in membership with this association, but even in Canada, the membership is small as yet and owners who want to take advantage of this liberality would have a very short racing season. As soon as they left the tracks in membership with the C. N. T. P. H.. A. they would be compelled to enter in classes suitable to the time they had performed in on the new association's tracks and the benefit would be lost.

The question arises as to what the two larger racing associations in the United States will do to combat this rule. Both the American Trotting Association and the National Trotting Association will be vitally interested in the rules of this new Canadian association and especially the one quoted above. It is a foregone conclusion that they will make rules to combat it, for tracks in their membership, and if they should take such a step there is no doubt that any rule they will make would be drastic.

It has been strongly hinted that a rule might be made which will compel all horses racing over the tracks in membership with the Canadian association, to only be eligible to the free-for-all classes on tracks of the members of the two parent bodies. A rule of this kind would work many hardships on horses and owners that compete in Canada over these betless tracks, because, even if a horse only won a purse race in 2:24¼, he would be compelled to start in the free-for-all class in the United States and also on some of the Canadian tracks. There would be no incentive to breed or race green horses, as once they won a race under the new Canadian rules, they would be free-for-all horses, and their money value decreased, as the ban, once on, would be on forever.

Canadian tracks that have not yet joined the new association will hesitate to become members until they see what action the two parent bodies take at their next biennial meetings, which are due within a short time. The rule was embodied in the racing conditions of the new Canadian association to encourage racing in its own territory, but it will not meet with the favor that was expected.

Canada can not do without American owned horses racing over its tracks and neither can Canadian owned horses depend on home tracks to support them all. Some few horses can be confined to racing over Canadian tracks only, but there are many of the best and highest priced horses that must be raced over the large tracks in the United States to make the stables pay, and once any of these horses have won a race over a betless meeting track in Canada, in membership with the new association, their value as stake horses in the United States is ruined, providing the A. T. A. or N. T. A. takes action on the matter—Horseman.

FUTURITY ENTRANTS AT SALEM.

The Oregon Futurity No. 5 for three-year-old trotters and pacers will be contested during the Oregon State Fair at Salem, which commences next Monday and continues throughout the week. Final payments have been made as follows:

Trotting division, purse $2,000, Tuesday, Sept. 28: Ruth Ansel by Prince Ansel—Lottie Whippleton by San Diego, Woodland Stock Farm; Helen Belle by Carlokin—Carolyn C. by Axtell, and Nicola B. by Carlokin—Atherine by Patron, W. G. Durfee; Coos Bay by McAlzo—Velma Z. by Zombro, Geo. L. Swisher; Sela Cruzados by Cruzados—Sela Nun by Sela Boy, Fred Merrill, Agt.

Pacing division, purse $1,500, Wednesday, Sept. 29: Janice L. P. by Hal B.—Pundeta, G. L. Parker; Rayon de Oro by Copa de Oro—Easter D. by Diablo, J. S. Nickerson; May Day Hal by Hal B.—Altalena by Altamont, Henry Weiss; Bondalean by The Bondsman—Katalina by Tom Smith, C. F. Silva.

The gala day and draft horse show at Rio Vista formed an attraction that drew many people to the river town, which for years has been the center of a community noted for the excellence of its horseflesh. A four horse team of ton Percherons, purebreds, from the stables of McNab & Smith, San Francisco, attracted a great deal of attention. The awards were made as follows: Best stallion, Boro Wedger, owned by Neil Anderson; best foal, irrespective of breeding, E. W. Westgate; best draft gelding over 1700 pounds in weight, Rock, owned by Tom McCormick; best mare, irrespective of breeding, E. W. Westgate.

THE PASSING OF THE ELMENDORF STUD.

The racing season of 1915 will be marked by the disappearance from the breeding industry of America of the thoroughbred stud of the late James Ben Ali Haggin. On the 28th of this coming October the last of the stallions and mares got together by the last of the picturesque forty-niners in the evening of his long and active life will be knocked down to the highest bidders, breeders of thoroughbreds from all parts of the Western hemisphere and from the far East. The great establishment made famous by the exploits on the race tracks of three continents of such horses as Watercolor and Waterboy, Africander, Golden Maxim, Briar Sweet, Tradition, Rubio, Hamburg Belle, Hessian and Yellow Tail will become a memory. The stallions Ballot, Sain and Hessian with sixty-eight brood mares and thirty-one weanlings are the lot advertised to go under the hammer and it will require a full day to dispose of them.

The Powers-Hunter Company, of New York, will conduct the sales at Elmendorf Farm, a superb 8,000 acre blue grass estate just outside Lexington, Ky., which with its half a million dollar mansion is valued at $3,000,000 or thereabouts, that Mr. Haggin purchased, piece by piece, after he decided to give up breeding race horses in California. It will be an old-fashioned sale with all the picturesque features that pertain to such an event and it will attract to Lexington the greatest crowd of horse folk the Blue Grass capital has been called upon to entertain in a quarter of a century.

It is the intention of Mr. Hagin's heirs, it is said, to make a clean sweep at Elmendorf. After the thoroughbreds are sold the other live stock will be disposed of and the sale of the sheep, cattle and hogs will be followed by the sale of the farm itself if a purchaser can be found for an estate so vast. Mr. Haggin left many millions when he died last September but no heir of his own blood seems sufficiently interested in thoroughbreds to keep his famous nursery going.

The passing of the Haggin stud will be epochal in the history of the thoroughbred industry and of racing in the United States, for from the early nineties until 1910 and 1911, Mr. Haggin was the greatest breeder of thoroughbreds in the world. He imported from England and the antipodes the celebrated stallions Watercress, Goldfinch, Darebin, Sir Modred, Golden Garter, Star Ruby, Prestonpans, Toddington, Dieudonne, Greenan, Rapallo, Bassetlaw, St. Andrew, etc., etc., and scores of highly bred mares and from these and from horses of purely American breeding, he developed and marketed more racehorses than all the other breeders of his time combined. Moreover, he sent his stock to every country in which horse racing finds favor to spread the renown of the American thoroughbred.

Between 1894 and 1905 Mr. Haggin maintained from six hundred to one thousand stallions and mares at a thirty thousand acre ranch in California, known as the Rancho del Paso Stud, and from 1897 to 1912 there were from one hundred and fifty to three hundred stallions and mares at Elmendorf, which he began to organize in 1897 by purchasing the old Swigert farm at which the famous Salvator and Firenze were bred. During the last six years of the existence of the Rancho del Paso Stud, he annually marketed through the sales companies of New York some three hundred or three hundred and fifty yearlings, while many more of his horses were disposed of by private deals. It used to take that accomplished auctioneer the late William Easton three "sales days" to knock down the budding racers of Rancho del Paso and Elmendorf at the Sheepshead Bay sales paddocks.

Rncho del Paso was abandoned in 1905 when Lloyd Tevis, Haggin's partner in its ownership, died, and the stallions and mares which constituted the breeding stud were sold at auction, Mr. Haggin purchasing the most desirable for service at Elmendorf.

There were upward of two hundred and fifty mares and fifty or more stallions at Elmendorf when Governor Hughes put through his anti-racing laws in 1908 and 1910, and Mr. Haggin, realizing that it would be impossible to market in this country the produce of a stud so considerable, without racing about New York to maintain the demand for young stock, began to ship his thoroughbreds to other countries. He sent his yearlings to England and France for seven seasons, stallions and mares to the Argentine Republic and mares to France, England and Germany. The Argentine secured the famous stallions Kinley Mack, winner of the Brooklyn and Suburban Handicaps of 1900; Africander, the greatest three-year-old of his time; McChesney, Gerolstein, First Water, Reliable, Dieudonne and two or three others, while England, France and the central empires of Europe got some of their best producing mares from Elmendorf.

But while they were cutting the thoroughbred stud at Elmendorf down to sizable proportions, Mr. Haggin and his advisers, John Mackey and Charley H. Berryman, were careful to reserve the stoutest stock against a time when it would be worth while to breed great race horses again in this country. And it is this selected stock that will go under the hammer in October. Mr. Haggin bought Ballot three years ago when it became evident that sanity had resumed her sway in the Empire State to take the place of Watercress and Goldfinch, and Sain to take the place of Waterboy, Watercress having succumbed to the infirmities of age after a career of exceptional brilliancy and Waterboy having died suddenly after giving promise of quality as a breeder that made him worthy to succeed his sire.

To obtain Ballot Mr. Haggin had to put up the biggest price given for an American thoroughbred stallion since Louis Winans paid $75,000 for Sir Martin in 1908. But he got the greatest of the sons of Voter and a better horse than Voter was himself. For Ballot won eighteen races with a total of $154,602 in the course of his four years' experience as a race horse in this country and in Great Britain, the Great Republic, Advance, Equality and Century Stakes (the last named race twice), and the Suburban Handicap among them. He covered a mile and five-sixteenths in 2:09 3-5 when he won the Advance at Sheepshead Bay in 1908, and a mile and a half in 2:30 3-5 on the occasion of his second victory in the Century. Ballot has already had some stud success although nothing by him has come to the races from Elmendorf. His three two-year-olds of 1914—Capra, Militant and Trust Me—are all winners, Capra being one of the smartest three-year-old fillies of the current season.

Sain is famous as the sire of Jack Atkin, Nealon and Guy Fisher, and Hessian is a young son of Watercress out of Colonial, a daughter of the line of the Australian Musket from which Carbine and Spearmint sprung. Among the sixty-eight broodmares that will have new homes after the sale of the 28th of October are Colonial, the dam of Hessian; Gold, sister of Golden Maxim and dam of Rhine Maiden; Gracilla, sister to De Mund; Graziosa, dam of Ella Bryson; Hamburg Belle, Futurity winner of 1903; Tradition, the smartest filly after Artful of 1904; Lina Holladay; Mrs. Delaney, dam of Right Royal; Sweet Lavender, herself a first rate race mare and the dam of Rancher; and Captivity, dam of Double Eagle. Also there is Clara J., a full sister to Waterboy.

These and the other mares to be sold were bred last spring to Sain, Ballot, Uncle, Hessian and The Manager, the last named being the best Voter barring Ballot that has come to the races. The weanlings are sons and daughters of Ballot, The Manager, Sain, Uncle and Hessian. No yearlings will be offered. The last of the Haggin yearlings were sold this summer and with them the handsome two-year-old Watercress II., which Mr. Haggin, with an optimism that scorned the burden of ninety years, had bought in at his yearling sale of 1914 to race under his silks and ultimately return to Elmendorf for stud duty. For Watercress II. was a son of the original Watercress, his most successful English horse, and Pearl V., she a daughter of his beloved Salvator and his equally beloved Firenze.

James Ben Ali Haggin was best known to the living generation of horse lovers as a great breeder. His colors have not been as prominent in the last fifteen or twenty years as have those of his contemporaries August Belmont, the late James R. Keene, Harry Payne Whitney and the late General Stephen Sanford. But horse folk, who go back twenty-five or thirty years, remember him as the owner of Tyrant, winner of the Withers Stake at old Jerome Park in 1885; of Ben Ali, winner of the Kentucky Derby of 1886; of Hidalgo, one of the three heroes of the first Brooklyn Handicap which was run in 1887; and of Salvator and Firenze, the first-named having defeated the famous swayback Tenny in the Suburban Handicap of 1890, and later on in a match race that grew out of a dispute as to the reliability of the Suburban as a test of the merits of these two horses.

Ben Ali, the horse, was named for a son who, if he had survived his venerable father, would undoubtedly have elected to keep the Elmendorf Stud intact. The last great horses that bore Mr. Haggin's silks on American tracks were Watercolor, the black whirlwind of Commando and The Parade's time, and Waterboy, champion handicap horse of 1903, in which year he won the Suburban Renewal, Brighton and Saratago Handicaps and the Century Stakes.

Wtercolor is now the property of the Breeding Bureau of New York, Mr. Haggin having presented him to that institution seven or eight years ago to help improve the breed of horses in the Empire State. Waterboy he kept for service at Elmendorf and the big brown horse demonstrated that he was worthy to take the place of Watercress by getting Bonnie Kelso, Waterbass and Waterblossom in the first few seasons of his stud service.—Thoroughbred Record.

HORSE STILL ATTRACTS ATTENTION.

Up Grand avenue at sundown last night came the sharp, quick patter of a thinly shod horse. Here he came, tugging at the bit, his black and white spotted neck bowed like that of a chiseled chessman. He pranced, rather than trotted. He had what horsemen call style. And the girl in the neat runabout looked out over his back proudly.

Down Grand avenue came the steady, clear, powerful chug of a six-cylinder motor car, its pennants flying.

The girl at the lines seemed not to see the motor party, but the driver of the car shoved on the brake and the big car squeaked and stopped. As the patter of the stylish horse with the spotted neck was lost in the noise of traffic the occupants of the motor car turned in their seats and gazed admiringly—not at the girl, attractive though she was—but at the horse.

The commonplace of yesterday had become the novelty of today, and vice versa.—Kansas City Star.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

HAMLINE MINNESOTA.

Hamline, Minn., Cept. 6.—2:25 pace, purse $700 (h mile track):
Dexter Direct, br g by Baron Direct.....(Egan) 1
Real Patch, bl m by Dan Patch.....(Alleman) 5
Auduwich, ch m by J. J. Audubon.....(Loomis) 3
Mabel C., br m by Captain Brino.....(Rusicka) 4
Yankee Girl, 6-6-4; Royal Ward, 7-7-6; Minneo
Princess, 2-3-dis.
Time—2:12½, 2:13½, 2:16.
2:07 pace, purse $1,000:
Fred Russell, b g by Little Frank.....(Hersey) 1
Sham Boy, ch h by Chamois.....(Alleman) 2
Tommy D., b g by Tommy the Irish Boy.....
.....(Glasscock) 4
*College Gent, bl h by Kentucky Patterson....
.....(Barnes) 3
*J. W. Wilkerson, br g by Walnut Boy(Simmons) 8
Elmer Dickson, 5-8-3; Bessie Bee, 6-5-7; Liberty Pa
7-7-4.
Time—2:05¼, 2:05¼, 2:05¾.
*Divided fourth money.
2:09 trot, purse $1,000:
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney (W. DeRyder)
Italian Aubrey, b h by Captain Aubrey (Thomas)
Princess Welcome, gr m by Lodaller (McLaughlin)
Governor Mason, b h by Major Mason..(C. DeRyder)
Sunshine, 5-5.
Time—2:08¼, 2:08¼.
Team trotting, 2:12 class, purse $500 (mile track):
Lucy Patchen, b m by The Patchen Boy and
Bertha Carey, b mby Zombro.....(DeRyder) 1
Katie Todd, b m by Kentucky Todd and Morley,
b h by Oakland Baron.....(Haag) 3
Hokola, br h by Potosi and Direct Patch, b h by
Dan Patch .....(Blackman) 2
Time—2:19¼, 2:20, 2:15½.
Sept. 7.—Three-year-old trot, purse $800:
George N. Patterson, blk c by On Voyage(Rutherford)
Last Sheet, b f by Mainsheet.....(Thomas)
Princess Itallia, blk f by Walnut Hall.....(Niles)
Barsac, blk c by Bingara.....(Benson)
Sept. 9.—2:16 trot, Minneapolis Purse; purse $3,000 heats Sept. 7):
Miss Perfection, b f (4) by Gen. Watts(C. DeRyder)
Slip Past, b m by E. M. R.....(Taylor)
The Proof, b h by The Exponent...(H. Thomas)
Princess Margrave, rn m by Margrave....(Hall)
Abu Taleb, 5-9-3; Eva Bahur, 8-4-6; Gay Patch, 7-8
Blanch B., 4-10-dra.; Lad McKinney, 10-7-dr.
Time—2:08¼, 2:08¼, 2:09¼.
2:10 pace, purse $1,000:
Hal Hapes, br g by Direct Hal.....(Loomis)
Mischief, br g by General Forrest.....(Haag)
J. O., bl g by Captain General.....(Dean)
Flying Patchen, ch h by John Wentz Jr(Martin)
Time—2:09¼, 2:11, 2:09¼, 2:12½.
2:14 trot, purse $1000:
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Madden, b h by Peter the Great.....(Green)
Sure Mike, br h by Peter W.....(Kelly)
Kokola, , br h by Potosi.....(Blackman)
Katie Todd, br m by Kentucky Todd..(Haag)
Bessie Mac, bl m by Macbeth (McQuaig), 1-dis.
Time—2:11¼, 2:12¼, 2:11¾, 2:16.
2:16 pace, purse $900 (1 heat Sept. 7):
Madame Mac, br m by Expressive Mac.....
.....(C. L. DeRyder)
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium (W. DeRyder)
Peter Nash, ch c (4) by Peter the Great....
..... (Loomis)
Lleeta Americus, br m by Rex Americus....
.....(Senescall)
Leo Tell, 6-4-4-5-5; Lady Heart, 8-7-8-6-dr.; The E
3-5-7-7-dr.; Josephine Empress, 5-8-6-dr.; Byron Loc
heart, 3-dis.; Happy Heart, 7-dis.; Judge Direct, 9-di
King B., 11-dr.; Miss Thornway, 12-dr.
Time—2:07½, 2:08¼, 2:09¼, 2:10¼, 2:10.
2:25 trot, purse $800 (halfmile track):
Yace G., ch h by Dale Axworthy.....(Caine)
Alice, Marmore, ch m by Marmore.....(Lyon)
Joseph W. McKinney, b g by Washington Mc-
kinney .....(Lawler)
Morley, bl h by Oakland Baron.....(Fenelon)
Halleys, 41dis.; Loutell, 6-dis.; Handsome Boy, 7-dis
Minnie Osten, 8-dis.; Miss Smarty, 9-dis.
Time—2:16¼, 2:16¾, 2:19, 2:19¼.
2:12 pace, purse $1,000:
Strathtell, b h by Motell.....(Barnes)
Edna Parker, b m by Judge Parker...(Bowlby)
Holly Brand, b g by The Wave.....(Spencer)
Melero, b g by Keeler.....(Blackman)
Merry Direct, 4-4-5-5; Gamma May, 6-7-6-6; Gener
Luther's Baby, 7-6-7-dr.
Time—2:08¼, 2:08¾, 2:10, 2:12½.
Sept. 10.—2:12 trot, purse $1,000 (holfmile track):
Alice Arion, b m by Arion.....(McQuaig)
Governor Mason, b h by Colonel Mason.....
.....(C. DeRyder)
Lucy Patchen, b m by The Patchen Boy (Taylor)
Black Boreal, bl h by Sir Boreal.....(Foss)
Time—2:15, 2:13½, 2:14½.
2:13 pace, St. Paul Purse; purse $3,000:
Lillian T., bl m by Roy Patchen.....(Wilson)
King Dillard, ch h by Hal Dillard.....(Martin)
*The Counterpart, br h by Governor Francis..
.....(Foote)
*Fred Mack, b g breeding untraced..(Glasscock)
Lee Dale, 5-6-5; Imbro, 6-5-8; Dexter M., 7-7-6; Baro
Watts, 8-8-7.
Time—2:11¼, 2:11½, 2:11¾.
*Divided third and fourth moneys.
2:21 trot, purse $1,000:
Direct Patch, b h by Dan Patch (Blackman)
The Proof, br h by The Exponent (Thomas)
Zomblack, bl h by Zombro....(C. DeRyder)
Rose Sullivan, b m by Red Medium..(Green)
Beatrice Baron, 5-5-dr.; King Roy, 6-6-dr.
Time—2:15½, 2:14¾, 2:18¼, 2:20, 2:19¾.
Three-year-old pace, purse $600:
Ebenezer, ch g by The Earl.....(Taylor)
Wood Patch, gr c by Dan Patch.....(Anderson)
Alix Merriman, b f by Merriman C.....(Harrison)
Lula McKinney, b f by Wallace McKinney..(Lyon)
Tiowa, 5-5; Nellie Patch, dis.
Time—2:12½, 2:14¾.
Free-for-all pace, purse $1,000:
Braden Direct, bl h by Baron Direct.....(Egan)
Walter Cochato, bl h by Cochato.....(Hersey)
Don Densmore, b h by Pactolus.....(Thomas)
Time—2:06¾, 2:07¼, 2:07¾.
2:18 trot, purse $1,000:
Guy Nixon, b g by Guy Princeton.....(Smith)
Miss Pinkerton, b m by Mr. Pinkerton.....(Taylor)
Roan Boy, ro h by Governor Francis.....(King)
Doctor Luster, br g by Redlac.....(Caine)
Ellenson, 7-4; Philbars, 5-6; Silk, 6-7.
Time—2:13½, 2:16¾.

Joe Jones and Fred Ward got away with almost half of the program at Loveland, Colorado. Waynetta and Leata J. met again and the Stockton mare cut the state pacing record for halfmile tracks to 2:09½. She hasn't anything on the Denver mare at that, as the latter cut the fraction a little deeper in a subsequent performance.

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THE RUBAIYAT OF OMAR THE HUNTER.

When old Boreas opes his frosty gate
And tender flow'rets mourn their sorry fate;
When Autumn shivers 'mid the swirling leaves,
Ah! then 'tis time to take your whisky straight.

Avaunt! thou poet, with thy jug of wine,
Thy loaf of bread grown stale and song of vine;
A tent, a pot of coffee on the fire,
Some bacon and a flap-jack, please, for mine.

What of this piping, of the potter's clay?
No flagon for my bones when through, I pray;
Rather into clay pipes please model me
And warm me up some dozen times a day.

And why these questions of the now and then?
Why hash thy troubles o'er and o'er again?
Come, poet, get thy gun and don thy boots—
A rifle is far mightier than the pen.

Place in thy hunting coat thy flask of rye;
A jolt or two and soon thou shalt espy
The joy of living, gamboling 'neath the trees,
Nor wilt thou ask the wherefore nor the why.

Thy friendly pipe hold close between thy teeth,
Joy lingers in each puff and snowy wreath,
Save when the mixture is too vile a brand,
Grown mayhaps on the Duke of Durham's heath.

Oh, poet, let us find thy wilderness
Where game is plenty, and there is no press
Of many Nimrods; there we'll find the bliss
Of hungry hunters o'er a bounteous mess.

When the bright firelight gleams on ghostly trees,
And howls of night things all thy slumbers tease,
Content thyself, and smoke thy evening pipe,
And pass the flask, and let thy conscience ease.

—Thomas Maitland Marshall.

GUANACO HUNTING IN ARGENTINA.

In South America the guanaco, or wild llama, either roams in large herds over the pampas of Patagonia, or in lesser numbers on the numerous ranges of mountains which lie in the northwest of the Argentine, forming part of the immense dividing range of Las Cordilleras between the Argentine and Chili. One of these ranges separates the province of Tucuman from Catamarca, and is known as the Aconquija branch, the highest peak of which has an altitude of 18,600 feet, and it was round this peak the shooting trip described below took place.

On Sunday, December 21, my friend arrived from Buenos Aires at midday. The afternoon was spent in strenuous packing, as we hoped to make an early start on Monday. The choice of suitable clothing to take is always a difficulty, space being limited, and although we should probably have it very hot for the first two days, later, upon reaching the shooting ground at the height of 14,000 feet or 15,000 feet, the nights become very cold; also, December is a treacherous month for storms, especially in the mountains. Monday morning found us early astir, but our idea of an early start was soon knocked on the head, as it commenced to rain soon after 6 a. m. and rained hard, as it generally does in Tucuman; however, at midday it began to clear and we packed our mules. The first day's packing is a tedious affair, as all the pack saddles have to be arranged to suit the mules; we were taking three men with us and five pack mules, so it was quite an imposing cavalcade. Two of the mules carried our four "petacas," which are strong rawhide trunks, and the only things to stand the rough going which all the packs get on a trip like this; two more carried the tents and various small parcels, while the fifth was taken loose as a spare one, in case one should get lost or sick. We hoped that this mule would return loaded with skins. With the pack went the bell mare, without which the catching in the mornings and securing at nights generally causes a lot of trouble, besides the risk of being in the mountains with nothing better than your feet to get about on, the mules being quite capable of clearing out for home any night the fancy takes them. The first afternoon was only a short journey of about twelve and one-half miles, partly to allow the packs to shake down, and also for our own comfort, as the first day's ride on a mule is not at all the pleasantest thing in life.

On Tuesday morning we were off early, the pack being fixed much quicker than the first time; still, the outlook was not encouraging, as the mountains were completely hidden by clouds, and the local prophets are not noted for their optimism. Our road again was an easy one, as we followed the national road to Catamarca till midday, when we left it and struck down through the woods to a "puesto," where we were to spend the night. A puesto house in this case was a roof supported on four uprights, with no sides at all. Soon after we arrived it started to rain, and continued all night. The roof had certainly seen better days and was far from waterproof, so that we spent the greater part of the time till daybreak moving our camp beds trying to escape the drippings, which seemed to be uncannily clever in always dropping on our noses. Next morning it was still raining hard and a start was anything but cheerful, but we hoped to leave the rain behind us, as all day was a steady climb up to our first real camp, where the guanaco are, at a height of 14,000 feet. The traveling through the wet forest all the morning was a dismal affair, although my partner shot a "guan," which made excellent eating. The day wore on, and as we left the trees behind us and came out upon the bare mountain side (about 10,000 feet) our hopes of a fine afternoon, which had steadily been dwindling, vanished altogether, as the higher we went the heavier the rain came on; and it did not cheer us when one of the mules with the petacas fell, and rolled down the mountain side, luckily being brought up by a small hollow before falling very far. After lunch the clouds cleared a moment and we saw a fine buck standing out on a pinnacle of rocks, but had no time for a shot before the clouds came down again; and although we waited in the hopes of it clearing, we had to resume our journey without seeing him again, as we were already late owing to the delay of the mule falling and our slow progress on account of the thick mist and rain. At 4 p. m. it began to hail, and when we arrived at our camping place we had to pitch our tent and light a fire in a steady fall of snow. For firewood, we used a dead and dried-up cactus plant, which is the only thing except small plants that grows so high up. Here we had Christmas Eve in all the correct setting, snow and bitter cold; but with, thank heaven! a flask of V. O. Poona or mountain sickness is common on this range, but luckily none of us were troubled much with it, except that running was out of the question, and careful aim also difficult to take, owing to one's heart knocking like a steam hammer. We woke up on Christmas morning in lovely weather and to a view which would be hard to beat anywhere; we were right amongst the mountains, and looking up the valleys, the sides of which were covered with snow, the effect being magnificent. During breakfast a male guanaco was standing on the top of a high ridge on our left looking down at us, and making that extraordinary sound, half neigh, half sarcastic laugh, which the sentinel of the troop always uses as his danger signal. After a consultation we decided that my partner should go up the valley, with one peon, and place himself on a little knoll covered with loose boulders, while the other peon and myself went back to get behind the ridge on which the guanaco was, and where the troop would be, to try and drive them across the valley. Riding down the valley we crossed the ridge below the guanaco, and started to work up the far side. As soon as they saw us the troop galloped off, five of them, but luckily for me the sentinel lagged behind, "haciendo burro" (literally, "making donkey," as the peons call it), neighing and continually turning round to look at us; as soon as he had crossed the ridge and was out of sight, we hurried on, and when near the top dismounted and walked to the edge. As we expected, he was still neighing and in no hurry to go away. The first shot at about three hundred yards was a miss, but my luck was in that morning, for instead of rushing away down hill, he started to gallop along the side, and so crossed us at about two hundred yards. The second shot took him fair in the neck, a deadly spot with guanaco, and he rolled over like a shot rabbit. After skinning him and cutting off the choicest bits of meat, we went down to where my partner was. The troop had passed him, but far off, and his shots had not brought any down. We joined forces and went higher up the valley, bagging one more male, which behaved in the same manner as the last, and so paid the penalty for his contempt. We arrived at the camp again just before another snowstorm came on, and had a Christmas dinner of fried guanaco's kidneys, and guanaco "asado"; the latter dish being steaks roasted on a stick turned over and over above the red ashes, and if tender are distinctly preferable, to my mind, to the terrible Christmas dinner which is the unfortunate sojourner's lot in the tropics.

Next morning we were hurriedly awakened by the peons, and rushed out to shoot at a troop of guanaco which were unconcernedly passing within 200 yards of the tent. We bagged two, and later on in the morning another two. On the following day we broke camp and moved higher up, to Campo Don Agusto, under the actual peak of Aconquija, my partner being very keen on climbing up to the top. I had been up once before, in the preceding February, but was quite ready to go again. On Sunday we gave our mules a rest, as we hoped on Monday to go up to the top, so riding some of the cargo mules instead we went separate ways, and after a long day I returned with four skins, to find my partner had just arrived, also with four. This was our most successful day.

That night a tropical thunderstorm was going on below us and the lightning playing about our feet, as it were, was a fine sight and one not easily forgotten. To our horror, in the morning all the world was white with snow. The peons always say that "the widow has come out for a walk," when it snows, the "widow" being the "patrona" of the mountains. Snow fell all the morning, but cleared off somewhat in the afternoon, although it stayed very cold. To attempt to climb Aconquija was impossible so soon after the snow, so we spent Tuesday shooting again. In the evening I had an extraordinary stroke of luck; when about dark, coming back to camp, I saw a troop of five guanaco in a bunch watching us, and hoping by a shot to send them over the hill to where my partner was, I let drive, and, to my surprise and the peon's delight, dropped a guanaco dead, out of the middle of the troop. It was a great fluke, as I had even to polish my foresight before I could see it against the guanaco, and the shot was a long one to take even in daytime.

On New Year's Day we broke camp again and went down to La Paiqua, where there are generally a few deer to be found. These are getting less in number every year; they live lower down than the guanaco, and the people are able to get them more easily, chasing them with dogs and shooting at them with any old gun they possess. We reached La Paiqua at midday, but could do hardly any stalking in the afternoon as a heavy thunderstorm came on early. It snowed higher up, although we only had hail, and we were glad we had come down in time, as our camp of the night before was evidently in the thick of the storm. The next day, riding from 8 a. m., we arrived at the bridge on the national road over the Rio Cuchurs at 8:30 p. m., where we spent the night. Once again we had the doubtful pleasure of mosquitoes, after having escaped this pest for nearly a fortnight. On Saturday morning we made a late start, but were home by the afternoon.

On fact in connection with the trip which remains in my memory is the numbers of condors which we saw. These huge birds seldom appear until a guanaco is shot, when they can be seen soaring high up in the air, and not alighting until the carcass is left. I have seen as many as six feeding at the same time on a dead guanaco. A spread of wing of ten feet is not uncommon for these birds, and they never seem to move their wings while flying.

IN THE COUNTRY OF THE BIG BEAR.

The Pacific Coast country between the north of Vancouver Island and Alaska is essentially a bear country. Everywhere the hills and valleys are wooded except here and there where the rocks are so bare that not even a cedar or hemlock can take root. Sometimes, especially of late years, the carelessness of a white camper has started a fire which has burned both the trees and the thin layer of soil which filled the crevices and provided the necessary nourishment for them, thus leaving the mountain an immense bare rock.

There are plenty of deer in the woods as well as bear, but nobody thinks of going that far to shoot deer. There are plenty of blacktails anywhere along the coast. On Vancouver Island, even within a few miles of the city of Victoria, deer were up to a few years ago so plentiful that any hunter who could shoot and who had any knowledge of woodcraft could bring home one hundred pounds of venison after a short hunt. The deer are, however, considered useful to provide food for the bear hunter, miner, or trapper during the winter season when other kinds of food are scarce.

It is customary when going into that country to try for a grizzly, to engage one or two Indians to pole up the rivers. They charge all sorts of prices for this service, for the Indian is never a cheap man, always wanting the highest price that is going. When they think they can get it they charge five dollars a day each and seventy-five cents a day for the canoe. Besides they will ask five dollars apiece for every black or brown bear killed and ten dollars for each grizzly. It is not usually necessary to pay anything like that much, though. Some Indians will do the same work for half the price rather than miss the job, and even then they are well paid.

The better way, perhaps, is to engage a white trapper if one can be secured. The white man is more sociable, understands the habits of the big game just as well, often better, but he can not use a pole like the Indian when going up a river against a swift current.

At one time in a newspaper article I advised hunting bear in the autumn; I was soon told by many who professed to know that the spring was the best season for the sport, as the pelts are better then and the bears are easier to kill. The pelts are certainly more woolly and the hair longer in the spring, and at that time of the year the bear are out on the slides just below the snow line; but in the autumn, about the end of October, the hides are pretty good and the bears may then be shot from a canoe as they are feeding on the salmon that have gone up the streams to spawn and died there. That is the only way in which an Indian will tackle a grizzly. He is afraid to go very near him on land.

Grizzlies are very plentiful everywhere, but their pelts are not anything like as good as those of the interior. They are very large and have fine heads but the rugs are not thick. There are also a few of the inland white bears (Ursus kermodei) but curiously enough they are usually found on the small islands along the coast. In 1907 one was found on Gribble Island and the skin is now in the possession of Mr. Francis Kermode, curator of the Victoria museum. This bear is rather smaller than the black bear and of a creamy white color. There are four specimens mounted in the Victoria museum.

An illustration of the kind of story one hears in traveling along the coasts is that of a young Englishman who had been some time in the country and was a pretty good shot, but who so far had failed to kill one of the big grizzlies. He wanted to take a pelt home with him to show the people back there the kind of game that is found in that region. He was working, or supposed to be working, in a lumber camp. None of his fellows would leave their work to go with him on the morning in question, so he shouldered his "thirty-thirty" and climbed the mountain back of the camp. When near the top he came out on to a swamp, and there right in front of him were siz big grazzlies, enough surely for one hunt.

Six grizzlies to one man seemed hardly a fair contest, but he had come out for bear and here they were. It would be poor sportsmanship to return home to camp without so much as a shot. Steadying himself for a few minutes to get his nerves under control, he took steady aim and the first and biggest of the bunch fell dead with a bullet through his brain. The other five charged and now was the time the nerve was needed. One after another the big fellows were dropped and the last one fell when only five yards distant from the man.

He then went to his fellow workmen to help get the bears to camp. They would not believe his story until they saw the half dozen carcasses. Then they voted him a good fellow and the king of trumps.

It is customary every year during July and August for a large number of the Indian tribes to go away to Rivers Inlet or one of the other fishing grounds to fish and work in the canneries. At some of the villages they leave en masse and nothing is left but the dogs. These dogs have to look after themselves for the two months. They now and then catch a small animal or bird, enough to keep them alive, but they become very thin and emaciated. At a village that I visited one July at the mouth of the Kemano river, ten dogs came out to meet me. They were thin and hungry and gave every expression of delight at the approach of the boat. Evidently they had been out porcupine hunting, for one, a half-bred bull terrier, had his nose stuck full of quills. The poor creature would not let us pull them out so the only alternative was to put him out of his misery. He must have died anyway before the return of the Indians, so my companion brained him with a blow of the axe. Only one of the other dogs had quills in his nose and that one had but two. The brave terrier had killed the game and taken the punishment while the others shared the feast.

The only game birds that I saw up there were a few grouse, several varieties of ducks, and a few geese. Guillemots and grebes are very common in the water, especially the former. Overhead the bald eagle is very much in evidence. Sometimes he is seen perching in a lofty spruce or hemlock near the water's edge accompanied by his mate, or he is soaring in search of food. The nests are usually in the tops of tall and inaccessible trees close to the water. Sometimes two nests were seen close together, but one may have been an old one. There did not seem to be any ospreys up there so the eagles are compelled to catch their own food.

The commonest of all the small birds was the little northern wren which seemed to be everywhere. No matter if it was morning, noon, or night, we had never been ashore more than five minutes before we were greeted by this cheery little songster who with both head and tail erect poured forth with all his might the song of welcome. This wren seems to never tire of singing. Whether he sings all the time I cannot say, but he always sings when anyone is around. The other birds in evidence were the water ousels, Alaska yellow warblers, humming birds, a few crows, and the ever-present ravens that croaked around the camp mornings and evenings. Once, too, I saw a large pine grosbeak.

As one passes over the beaches in that part of the country there is no scrambling beneath the rocks by the noisy crabs. There seemed to be none of these creatures there and only once I noticed a starfish. Probably the water is too cold for them. There were plenty of barnacles below tide water, just as there are to the south.

The timber of the country is mostly cedar, hemlock, spruce, and a few firs, but the most striking plant to anyone who essays to find a new trail through the woods is the "devil's club." Both leaves and branches of this shrub are covered with prickles that pierce the skin and remain in the flesh. They do not feel very painful until the day after the battle. Then the poison has done its work and the person who has fought with them is glad to sit down and extract the thorns. It is not an uncommon thing when climbing through the woods to begin to slide down a hillside or into a creek. There is a bough within reach with which to save oneself. The first time the climber seizes the bough and then swears. On the next occasion he slides downward instead and takes his chances of breaking his neck. The latter is preferable to tackling a "devil's club."

Throughout all this country there is no spot that compares for picturesque scenery with Gardner's canal, an inlet which runs forty miles between snow-capped mountains yet is seldom more than two miles in width, often not more than half that distance. Cataracts and cascades vie with each other for beauty and grandeur. Some of them fall hundreds of feet from the foot of ghostly glaciers, while others rush between the rugged sides of deep canyons with the roar of thunder as irresistible as the coming of night. The time will come when tourists will visit this favored spot by the hundred. It will always be a wild place, for there is nothing there to attract the speculator, except perchance there be precious metal in the rocks. A thousand feet and more above the sea the goats browse on the mountain crags, safe because of the inaccessibility of their retreat.

The person who would really enjoy this country must leave the route of the steamers, and with a launch or sloop, and a guide who knows the country, take his time meandering among the inlets and rivers. Everywhere he will find something new and delightful. The mineral springs which abound (having an average temperature of 120 degrees), the scenery, the natives, the animal and bird life, all are delightful and novel to the city dweller of the south.

At the Traps

California Shooters' Averages.—Recent data given out from Pittsburg shows the averages for 1915 given below for a number of California shooters.

Mrs. Ada Schilling stands in second place nationally among women shooters. Her percentage of 87.18 is based on 2200 shots, while Mrs. L. G. Vogel of Detroit, who heads the list, shot but 1460 times, averaging 88.22. Hence the San Jose woman's score is based on a greater and more thorough trial. At that, there is only 1 per cent difference between the standing of the two. The next nearest competitor in the women's ranks has only 80.19.

O. N. Ford of San Jose tops the list for the State of California, including both professionals and amateurs. His average is 95.11.

Partial list for 1915:

O. N. Ford, San Jose, Cal.	95.11	2600—2473
H. Pfirrmann, Los Angeles	95.11	2600—2473
A. G. Flickinger, Vallejo	94.52	1450—1372
R. H. Bungay, Ocean Park	94.09	1150—1082
J. F. Couts, J., San Diego	94.06	1800—1693
Toney Prior, San Francisco	93.27	2200—2052
Dr. R. N. Fuller, Tulare	92.58	1200—1111
H. Ogelvie, Lindsay	92.04	2300—2117
J. Plaskett, Modesto	91.74	1150—1055
C. H. Nash, San Jose	91.62	1350—1237
B. H. Worthen, San Francisco	91.40	1000— 914
J. T. Downs, San Jose	90.50	1400—1267
H. Garrison, Modesto	90.50	1000— 905
J. F. Dodds, San Diego	90.26	2700—2437
T. Wilkes, San Francisco	89.68	1900—1704
A. Ervast, San Diego	89.33	1200—1072
George H. Anderson, San Jose	89.10	1000— 891
N. A. Howard, San Francisco	88.74	950— 843
W. J. Eilert, Fresno	87.76	1250—1097
A. G. Wilkes, San Francisco	87.64	1700—1490
H. Havens, Piedmont	87.00	1000— 870
C. Hagerman, Los Angeles	86.76	1110— 963
F. K. Burnham, Martinez	85.72	2080—1783
C. E. Groat, Los Angeles	84.56	1250—1057
H. R. Phinney, Berkeley	94.56	1250—1057

Women's averages (over 1000 shots):

Mrs. L. G. Vogel, Detroit, Mich.	88.22	1460—1288
Mrs. Ada Schilling, San Jose	87.18	2200—1918
Mrs. A. Harrison, Rochester, N. Y.	80.19	1080— 866
Mrs. F. Remy, Anderson, Ind.	80.08	1250—1001
Mrs. O'Connor, Spokane, Wash.	77.27	1100— 850
Mrs. B. P. Remy, Anderson, Ind.	76.96	2375—1823
Mrs. A. G. Wilkes, San Francisco.	70.56	1240— 875
Miss G. J. Meyers, San Francisco.	60.69	1300— 789

Professional averages:

H. E. Poston, San Francisco	95.05	4305—4091
Dick Reed, San Francisco	94.64	2200—2082
G. E. Holohan, Los Angeles	93.56	1800—1684
E. L. Mitchell, Los Angeles	92.83	1200—1114
L. E. Hawxhurst, Oakland	92.66	1350—1251
C. H. Knight, San Francisco	90.82	2200—1998
F. Willett, San Francisco	90.40	2000—1808
C. A. Haight, San Francisco	83.57	1450—1212

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Golden Gaters Finish Season.—The Golden Gate Gun Club closed the regular club blue-rock season at the West Alameda trap ground last Sunday with the largest attendance of smokeless powder burners competing at any local club trap shoot this season; 12 squads were on the firing line during the day.

When the total scores were figured up for seven monthly shoots, the winners in the gold medal contests were:

Champion class—A. G. Wilkes first, Toney Prior second, Tom Wilkes third, A. G. Flickinger fourth.

First class—H. R. Phinney first, T. D. Riley second, W. H. Price third.

Second class—Frank Webster first, R. E. McGill second, G. W. Thomas third, P. Swenson fourth.

Third class—R. S. Avery first, C. A. Merrill second, L. Pickersgill third, Dr. E. Topham fourth.

Challenge trophy cup winners, champion class, Barney Worthen. First class, W. H. Price. Second class, R. E. McGill. Third class, C. A. Merrill.

Mrs. A. G. Wilkes won the Du Pont silver trophy for "greatest improvement during the season."

Barney Worthen's run of 81 won a "night sight" revolver put up by Fred Webster for the shooter scoring the longest run during the season.

Captain C. H. Knight's six quad team won the 10-bird event over Captain C. A. Haight's battalion. The score was 224 to 221. N. A. Howard of Oakland was high gun for the day, with a straight run of 50 birds.

During the afternoon Jack Fanning gave a demonstration of the clever work in throwing targets that can be done with a hand trap. This device can be used anywhere and will puzzle the most expert trap shot.

Daniel Donnelly of Chicago, a noted Middle West shot, was a visitor and shot through the club program.

The club program consisted of three events: 1—Medal shoot, 20 birds. 2—Challenge trophy race, 20 birds. 3—"grub' 'shoot, 10 birds per man. The 20 bird matches were shot in 10-bird sections:

Events—	1		2		3	Tt
N. A. Howard	10	10 20	10	10 20		10 50
C. A. Merrill	10	10 20	10	9 19		9 48
F. Willet	9	10 19	10	9 19		10 48
A. G. Wilkes	10	10 20	9	10 19		8 47
C. H. Knight	10	9 19	9	10 19		*8 46
C. A. Haight	10	10 20	9	9 18		8 46
Dr. C. D. McGettigan	10	10 20	9	9 18		*8 46
B. H. Worthen	9	10 19	10	10 20		7 46
J. S. Fanning	9	10 19	9	10 19		*8 46
D. Donnelly	9	8 17	9	10 19		*9 45
R. S. Avery	9	10 19	8	9 17		9 45
Fleming	8	9 17	9	9 18		9 44
E. J. Forster	8	9 17	8	10 18		*9 44
T. Prior	9	10 19	9	8 17		*8 44
H. Havens	9	10 19	9	9 18		*6 43
H. M. Williams	9	8 17	8	9 17		*8 42
E. Hoelle	9	7 16	10	7 17		*9 42
Capt. Du Bray	8	10 18	7	9 16		7 41
Putzar	10	7 17	8	8 16		8 41
T. Wilkes	8	8 16	8	8 16		*9 41
W. W. Terrill	8	6 14	9	10 19		*8 41
F. Webster	10	7 17	6	8 14		*9 40
W. H. Price	9	8 17	7	8 15		8 40
C. C. Nauman	8	8 16	7	9 16		8 40
C. D. Lancaster	9	8 17	7	8 15		*8 40
W. Robertson	7	10 17	6	9 15		7 39
Miss Meyers	7	8 15	8	7 15		9 39
R. E. McGill	7	6 13	9	9 18		*7 38
L. Steinfeldt	9	8 17	7	8 15		*6 38
T. D. Riley	9	5 14	9	5 14		*10 38
Mrs. A. G. Wilkes	8	8 16	10	5 15		7 38
G. J. Sweeney	5	5 10	9	10 19		*8 37
Beetham	5	9 14	7	10 17		*6 37
T. W. Parsons	7	9 16	8	8 16		*4 36
H. C. Peet	8	7 15	8	7 15		6 36
J. S. French	9	4 13	7	7 14		*9 36
W. Ashkroft	5	7 12	8	6 14		10 36
Dr. Eaton	8	6 14	7	7 14		7 35
Dr. E. Topham	9	5 14	7	6 13		8 35
R. H. Phinney	10	10 20	9	5 14		.. 34
Ellis	7	7 14	10	6 16		7 33
L. Lodge	5	8 13	6	6 12		*8 33
G. W. Thomas	7	6 13	7	6 13		6 32
Eug. Forster	6	6 12	5	8 13		6 31
A. R. Jones	7	4 11	7	6 13		*5 29
A. E. Stone	6	6 12	5	4 9		*7 28
A. J. Williams	10	7 17	4	6 10		.. 27
P. Swenson	6	7 13	7	7 14		.. 27
Hayes	3	3 6	4	5 9		*5 20
E. H. Forestier	3	2 5	3	6 9		*4 18

*Winning team in "grub shoot."

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Citrus Belt Notes.—Thirty-five trap shooters suffered themselves to be led into camp by J. D. Dierdoff in the first shoot of the Vernon Gun Club for the Stanton A. Bruner trophy. Mr. Dierdoff, who hails from Texas, had the proper dope on the clays and broke a total of 48 out of 50, which gave him first place. A. N. Van Nest and the veteran Charlie Hagerman hung up 47 each and copped second place, seven other shooters tied for third with 46 apiece.

The Los Angeles shooters are taking hold of the new club in fine style and a field of thirty entries is sure on the Sunday club days. Tomorrow the second leg on the trophy will be shot. The handicap will again be on the added bird plan. To shoot for the cup will now call for a 50-cent entrance. This entrance will be divided by giving the present holder, Mr. Dierdoff, 50 per cent, and the balance given 30 per cent and 20 per cent to the high guns. This added bird system makes it so that a D class shooter has an equal chance with the Class A man. The scores in the trophy event at 50 birds follow:

Dr. L. M. Packard 46, William Pugh 46, Harry Hoyt 41, George Oliver 42, R. L. Hall 46, R. Bowers 43, F. Socin 43, R. L. Caldwell 44, S. A. Bruner 44, Jessen 46, B. A. French 44, J. D. Dierdoff 48, W. Wilshire 46, George Melford 46, C. E. Groat 46, Hill 45, C. D. Hagerman 47, George Cline 45, A. W. Bruner 43.

Practice scores: Packard shot at 25, broke 22; Pugh 50—38, Hoyt 50—42, Oliver 50—38, Hall 100—78, Davis 50—28, Huntoon 50—19, Edminson 50—22, Van Nest 75—59, Jones 50—35, French 25—19, Delabar 50—14, Groat 100—87, Hagerman 25—25, Cline 25—18, Marsch 25—11, Frank 50—23, Bruner 50—17, Bowers 50—17, Socin 25—10, Caldwell 50—25, Elders 50—30, Munger 25—15, S. A. Bruner 125—107, Jessen 25—11, Brown 50—37, Dierdoff 50—43, Perk 50—26, Melford 100—88, Hill 75—64, Black 25—17, Trout 25—23, Kimble 25—16.

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Beginners' Shoot.—The Golden Gate Gun Club will hold a "Beginners' Day" shoot at the club grounds, West Alameda, Sunday, October 3.

The Du Pont Powder Company offers for this occasion a bronze watch fob for the gentleman making the highest score in the contest at 25 targets. Only those who have never shot at bluerocks will be eligible to compete for the trophy.

A special Du Pont trophy event will be scheduled for ladies only, in which those who have previously shot at targets will be handicapped against the beginners.

Entries for both events received between 10 a. m. and 2 p. m.

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The Topps Are Coming.—On October 24, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Topperwein will be at the San Jose Blue Rock Club to give shooting exhibitions with shotgun, rifle and revolver. Mrs. Topperwein is the world's greatest woman professional shooter. Her record is above that of the best of the men shooters in this State. She has made a record of 96.10 per cent out of 1540 shots.

Turkey Shoot.—The Exposition City Gun Club invites trap shooters to the Easton grounds, in San Mateo county, tomorrow. The attraction will be one turkey for every five entries. There will be five 20-bird events shot. The entrance will be $1.00, targets included. The shoot starts at 10:30 a. m.

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A Century Run.—"Cap." W. A. Simonton recently ran 100 straight on the Wilmington grounds of the Du Pont Trapshooting Club. He tied with Alden B. Richardson and J. B. McHugh in a 25 bird event. Simonton and Richardson tied in the shoot-off. Cap. won out in the next tie, 25 to 24, and then ran off another 25 straight.

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Big Chief Coming.—Tom Marshall, known far and wide as the Big Chief of the trap shooting tribes, is due here about October 1, after attending the Medford shoot on the 24th inst. Needless to say the local talent will give him a royal welcome.

GOSSIP FOR SPORTSMEN.

Although the deer hunting season in game districts No. 2 and No. 3 is now closed, there is ample opportunity to bag fat bucks in game districts No. 1 and No. 23. The open territory covers a wide range, embracing the best deer country in the State—Humboldt, Trinity, Tehama, and the counties to the north; the Sierra and valley country east of the Sacramento and San Joaquin, down to the boundary lines of Kern and Inyo counties (with district No. 4 included until October 1.) There is a fly in the ointment, however. A hunter, nor anybody else, can legally bring fresh venison into a closed district from open hunting ground. The State Fish and Game Commission officials will, however, issue a permit to retain the head and skin of a buck or two bucks in closed territory.

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Trout anglers find conditions, here and there, for week-end trips fairly good. The big fish and limit creels require a long distance trip at this time of the season. Truckee river fishing, so far this month, has averaged fairly good for the fly fisherman. With cooler weather coming on it is expected that fly fishing will improve.

Up the coast, near Crescent City, Redwood creek, Big lagoon and Stone lagoon are well worth the attention of any angler going that way.

A recent trip through the northern part of this State and Oregon is described here by Sam Wells and will no doubt be read with interest by anglers who contemplate an extended trip to regions where trout are plentiful and scenic conditions beautiful:

"I will briefly give you a few items descriptive of my recent trip through the California and Oregon country. I submit the following:

Graham Ridley and myself left San Francisco in my machine, which was fully equipped for a general fishing and camping trip. Our first stop was at the headwaters of the North Fork of the Feather river in the Big Meadow country, where we spent two days at Gould's and Warner creek. We caught many trout at both places up to two pounds weight. From there we went north to the headwaters of the Fall river, making camp at the extreme headwaters where the fish were very numerous—in fact, in the evening the water was simply alive with trout of all sizes, up to 2½ pounds.

We had the pleasure of catching many of them, just retaining enough for our own use, and letting the others go. We then started for the Williamson river, passing large lakes on the way, which we reached in a one-day trip. We made camp on the banks of the Williamson, back of Goldie's, Mr. Silver's daughter, making this our headquarters and using the machine to visit Crooked river and Wood river in the Klamath Agency. Crooked river produced some elegant trout which we found much gamier than those in the Williamson, more like those in Spring creek.

After a trip to Crater lake we journeyed to Crescent, Ore., on the east side of the Cascades and 18 miles from there we found two beautiful lakes, Odell and Crescent. I would advise anybody visiting this locality not to overlook Lake Odell; it is a beautiful body of water and is full of the most gamy rainbows. They rise beautifully to a floating fly. Crescent lake is about four miles from Odell lake, which is the headwaters of the Des Chutes river.

We also had some nice dove shooting in the northern part of the State.

From Odell lake to Ben'd Or, and then over the McKenzie pass, by the Three Sisters (names of mountains), we reached the McKenzie river and fished from the McKenzie Bridge, near by Eugene. The fish here are known as red-sides, but they are no doubt the same trout as our California rainbow, the rainbow stripe being more pronounced than on trout in our waters.

We found the flies that had been recommended for that country would take trout, but after studying conditions the floating fly of other patterns would kill two to one. The trout here are good scrappers but very wary and require a very light cast. We were very much pleased with our stay here, having good sport.

Then we motored down the west side of the mountains to Medford, and then east to Trail on the Rogue river. We were a little early here, but in our four days' trip we caught some nice steelhead, the largest I landed weighed 9 pounds, caught on a No. 8 fly. She was a beauty, leaving the water eleven times. I had the pleasure of landing her on a 4 13-16 oz. rod and 9-foot tapered leader. We returned all of our fish to the river as we had been living on trout for days.

After four days of great sport we left the Rogue and motored over the Siskiyous to Yreka and fished Scott river, Weaverville and Fortuna, trying out the Eel, which was not ripe at this time, and we concluded to come back home after one of the most delightful angling trips a devotee of rod sport could make. Our fishing was done with a fly exclusively and I picked up many pointers for the angling fraternity who may contemplate a trip to any of the above splendid trout streams. I fished many other small streams and lakes with more or less success, we being in a position with our sleeping bags and fine commissary to stop anywhere."

Fish and Game Commission officials have recently prospected over Sonoma trout streams, with the end in view of establishing a hatchery in the county.

The upper waters of Paper Mill creek have not been fished out yet, for Harry Gosliner whipped out a fine lot of trout from the Lagunitas down to San Geronimo recently.

San Gregorio lagoon, down the San Mateo shore, is still in fishable shape. Some good catches were made during the past week of trout seven to ten inches in size. A delegation of the California Anglers' Association last Sunday tried that water.

Near Johnsville, in Plumas county, several mountain lakes are ripe for the fly fisherman just now, according to glowing reports given out by H. C. Peet, George Klarmann and Arthur Lathrop, who returned from a ten days' outing in that region. Fishing in Grass, Jamieson, Eureka, Rock and Wade lakes is now "at its height." Near Magee's camp is Salmon lake, where the sport is good. In Deer lake, nearby, rainbow trout from a pound to two and one-half pounds in weight are ready for the angler.

Reports from the Big Meadows fishing sections are that splendid sport can now be had. On the Feather river, near Big Bar, good fishing is now available.

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Black bass fishing in Middle river, near the Santa Fe railroad crossing, has been fairly good. Bob Murdoch and L. Bemis landed eight large-sized bass a week ago. Ed. Schultz, Jack Karney, H. Ootman and other local anglers made fair catches last Sunday.

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Good catches of salmon have been taken for the past week outside the heads by the trolling launches. A number of salmon have also been caught in Raccoon strait, and off California City.

Possibly the most unusual catch ever made outside was when Jack Duckell hooked two salmon on one spoon. The spoon used was a No. 6 K-S rigged with two hooks—ice tongs, as the fishermen call them. One fish was a thirty-pounder, the other a bit over twenty pounds in weight. Just how such an odd capture occurred—one contrary to all salmon angling precedent—is a puzzle not yet solved. True it is that with such a rig a fish caught on one hook, the other slamming about could easily take care of another fish. Both fish were landed, however. At one time on the same trip the party had three salmon hooked at the same time. Then there was some manoeuvering to avoid fouling the lines. On another trip Martin King caught his first salmon, a forty-pounder.

Harry Kelley's forty-pound salmon was taken in Raccoon straits last Saturday and played for an hour before taken inboard. The fish had been hooked through an eye and consequently was not disabled enough to prevent a hard fight before giving up. Dr. Washington Dodge's trip in the straits was rewarded with three fish averaging thirty pounds in weight, a pleasing experience for an initial try at salmon in the bay. Dr. Redmond Payne's Wednesday catch was a forty-two-pound quinnat. Al Wilson landed five one day, one over forty pounds in weight.

Although salmon can be taken all the year round with hook and line, or spear, the netting season is now closed from September 25 until November 14. The daily limit during this period is three fish.

Maternal Instinct.—A remarkable instance of maternal affection on the part of a dog comes from Beaumont, in the province of Saone et Loire. One day the dog's owner went out of the town into the forest to gather firewood. He took with him his dog, which he left to guard his coat and basket of food while he gathered wood. When he came back some time later he found that the dog had given birth to three puppies, and when he started home he forgot to place the puppies in the cart with the dam. During the night the dog jumped over a fence, and ran the whole distance, some ten miles, to the spot where her puppies had been left, and brought one back in her mouth. Then she made two more journeys to the spot in order to bring back the other two. Altogether she covered a distance of about 60 miles in a night, and in her weakened condition it killed her.

FIXTURES.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

September 24—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 27—Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Oregon.

October 4, 5—Roswell Gun Club, E. P. Malone, Secretary, Roswell, New Mexico.

November 2—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

SAN FRANCISCO FLY-CASTING CLUB.

Walter D. Mansfield was in grand form last Sunday when he tied the world's record in the salmon fly distance cast, 162 feet, which distance was cast by Fred N. Peet of Chicago recently at the international casting contests. He also cracked the light tackle distance fly record of 116 feet made by Harry Golcher at the recent tournament, when he put out his line and leader 121 feet.

The scores in both light tackle and salmon fly casting, for both Saturday and Sunday, show excellent averages. E. A. Rogers is a contending candidate for record honors; he was close up with 154 with the salmon tackle, just a bit less than his previous score of 157 feet.

Some good scores were made in the "in and out" event, viz: Webster 24 points, Burgin 6, 5, 1; Davis 6, 1; Thomsen 2, 2; Forbes 1; Gardner 1; Mansfield 1; Springer 3.

The results in the tables following are: Event 1—Light tackle accuracy percentage. Event 2—Dry fly accuracy percentage. Event 3—¼ ounce lure accuracy percentage. Event 4—¼ ounce lure average distance. Event 5—¼ ounce lure slam cast. Event 6—Light tackle distance. Event 7—Salmon fly distance.

Saturday Contest No. 8. Stow lake, September 18, 1915. Wind, southwest. Weather, fair.

Judges, J. F. Burgin, J. Springer. Referee, W. J. Davis, Jr. Clerk, Chas. E. Hills, Jr.

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
C. H. Gardner	99	98.1	99.3	132	145	...	120
J. F. Burgin	99.32	98.5	98.4	109	135	...	133
Stanley Forbes	99.28	98.10	95.1	145	...	...	...
W. J. Davis, Jr.	99.24	98.5	98.4	112	155	105	129
F. A. Webster	99.16	99	96.6	89	...	85	127
W. D. Mansfield	99.12	98.13	97.9	...	...	114	145
C. G. Young	99.8	97.14	...	...	...	...	...
E. A. Rogers	99.8	98.13	...	...	...	...	148
H. A. Thomsen, Jr.	98.56	98.14	...	...	...	100	120
J. Springer	98.56	98.8	90.5	...	...	86	115
F. H. Reed	98.52	98.10	...	...	...	...	...
Re-entries—							
E. A. Rogers	98.48	98.9	...	...	...	...	154
W. D. Mansfield	99.36	98.11	92.2	...	...	...	140
J. F. Burgin	99.28	...	97.4	130	...	...	...
W. J. Davis, Jr.	...	...	...	104	...	...	...
Stanley Forbes	99.28	98.8	97.8	141	...	...	...
F. H. Reed	99.28	99.1	...	...	...	...	...
C. G. Young	99.8	97.12	...	...	...	...	...
H. A. Thomsen, Jr.	98.52	98.14	...	...	...	...	...
F. A. Webster	...	99.2	...	...	...	...	...

Sunday Contest No. 8. Stow lake, September 19, 1915. Wind, southwest. Weather, fair.

Judges, J. Springer, H. A. Thomsen. Referee, W. J. Davis, Jr. Clerk, Chas. E. Hills, Jr.

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
J. F. Burgin	99.44	98.10	98.1	91	160	85	131
Stanley Forbes	99.40	99.1	98.7	120	158	118	127
W. J. Davis, Jr.	99.24	99	95.9	109	145	110	123
Dr. W. E. Brooks	99.24	98.7	...	...	...	...	...
C. G. Young	99.24	98.10	...	...	...	...	...
C. H. Kewell	99.20	99.1	97.2	136	145	106	136
W. D. Mansfield	99.16	98.7	98.1	...	...	121	162
F. H. Reed	99.12	99.4	...	...	...	...	...
J. Springer	99.4	98.12	96.6	...	...	90	120
H. A. Thomsen	99	99.3	...	...	...	100	128
C. H. Gardner	98.48	99.2	97.4	132	120	...	130
Re-entries—							
J. F. Burgin	99.24	98.11	99.3	108	80	108	...
H. A. Thomsen	99.20	99.2	...	...	...	96	118
Dr. W. E. Brooks	98.48	98.13	...	...	...	...	...
C. G. Young	99.20	98.1	...	...	...	...	...
W. D. Mansfield	99.16	98.14	96.4	...	...	108	153
J. Springer	...	...	97.3	...	...	90	...

THE LATE JAMES L. MORTIMER.

James L. Mortimer, Dean of the Old Guard in the kennel world of America, passed away this week at his home in Hempstead, L. I. News of his demise will be sadly received by the Coast fanciers, for Jim Mortimer was personally known to and exceedingly popular with doggy circles of the Pacific Slope for the past two decades.

He attended the Toronto show, with Dr. Henry Jarrett, two weeks ago. He was not in the best of health when he started. Next morning he almost collapsed in the show and had to be given medical assistance at his hotel, where he stayed until Dr. Jarrett was through judging his classes. He returned to his home in charge of Dr. Jarrett and was in a very bad way. It was believed for a time that he would recover, but the final summons came this week.

As judge, show manager, show critic, and all round friend of the fancy his position for over thirty years has been most prominent. His last appearance in San Francisco was in Dreamland Rink three years ago at the Golden Gate Kennel Club show.

Rem-UMC Notes

The Memphis (Tenn.) Gun Club celebrated Labor Day by staging one of the most successful shoots of the season. Harry Bellinger, shooting a Remington pump gun and Arrow shells, was high gun, with a total of 94 birds, his nearest rivals being Geo. Schmidt and W. H. Joyner, who broke 92 and 90 respectively.

J. W. Loctell won the monthly trophy offered by the Sunset Hill Country Club, of St. Louis, Mo., with a score of 48x50, while Bart P. Williams at the same shoot won the season handicap trophy with 240x250 and the championship scratch trophy with 239x250. They both shot Remington pump guns and Nitro Club shells. J. W. Bell, also shooting the "Speed Shells," was high gun for the day, scoring 98x100.

The Westy Hogan amateur championship of 100 targets, held in connection with their ninth annual tournament, at Atlantic City, was won by Henry Powers, shooting Nitro club shells.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

HOW TO GET MORE COLTS.

More productive mares should be the slogan of every farmer. Mares that do not produce colts are worth no more than geldings. The farmer who does not make every effort to have every mare on the farm produce a colt is not doing all that he can to make the horse side of the farm business pay. Mares properly handled are one of the most profitable kinds of animals to own on a farm. Their ability to reproduce their kind makes their worth double-fold. The worth of a good mare on a farm is sometimes almost incalculable. The writer's father owns a medium-sized draft mare that is twenty years old and she has produced a colt every year but three since she was three years old. Most of her colts were mules, several of which sold for $75 to$100 at weaning time. She has worked practically every day that any horse has worked on the farm, and she has never missed a meal. Her worth in dollars and cents can hardly be estimated. Mares of this sort mated to the right kind of stallions will return greater profit per dollar invested than any other kind of live stock. They must, however, be fed and worked with judgment to do so.

It is not always the mare's fault that she is not a regular producer. Mares like any other of our domestic animals must be in a healthy condition and bred at the proper time to a reasonably sure stallion or jack if the offspring is to be expected with any degree of regularity. Partial sterility of mares is probably more frequent than in any other class of farm animals. Much of this non-productivity can be traced to the negligence of the farmer. His ram and ewes usually run together during the breeding season. He turns his boar out with his sows. On the other hand he keeps his stallion, if he has one, in a dark stall and breeds his mares—in many instances—when he finds time to do so. If he has no stallion he takes his mares to a stallion many times when he can not work in the field or after a hard day's work. Stallioners will agree when I say that it is not an uncommon thing to see mares brought to the stallion wet with sweat because of a long, hard drive. Their owners want to breed them at once, and will then drive them back home and put them through a hard day's work in the fields. Such men wonder why they do not get colts and of course blame the stallion.

The mare owner, however, is not always to be blamed. Many a stallion is kept in a dark stall from one year's end to the other with perhaps a small dirty paddock as his only place for exercise. He is fed corn with timothy as a roughage. A feed like this in time would ruin a healthy work horse that gets plenty of exercise, and would do far worse to the stallion confined in a stall. Such practices are especially bad for draft stallions, as they are not inclined to take much exercise. Stallioners are beginning to get away from the old-time customs. They see that stallions which are sure foal-getters must have an abundance of exercise and must be fed less of fat-producing feeds.

A very good plan that has been followed by Shire and Clydesdale breeders in Britain for many years is now being used in this country with very favorable results. The stallion is traveled over a definite route each week, starting out Monday morning and returning Saturday evening. This provides plenty of exercise for the stallion and enables him to reach more mares. During the breeding season many farmers are so busy that they will not take the trouble to go several miles to a stallion, whereas they would be glad to breed their mares if the stallion came to their barnyard.

Without a doubt a very much larger percentage of colts would produced every year if mare owners would try their mares oftener. Some mares seem to require several services before they settle. Others will oftentimes catch with one service. It takes careful attention on the part of the mare owners during the breeding season to get results. A jack owner had stood a valuable jack for several years, and when the colts began to develop into good prospects he found that he could not accommodate all of the mares. He had been standing the jack at $10 for a colt to stand and suck, but he decided that he would take $6 cash at time of service. The mare owner could then run his own chance of getting a colt. Much to his surprise the owner of the jack got all the business that he could handle, and the following spring there were twice as many colts from that year's work as he has ever had before. This success was due to the fact that the mares were tried oftener and were better cared for during the period of pregnancy. The mare owners knew that they had paid for their colts and if they died the money was lost. If the service fee had not been due until the colt was able to stand and suck, the owners would not have been nearly as careful with their mares. The experience of this jack owner is good for thought and can be recommended to mare owner and stallioner alike.

The importance of breeding mares at the proper time cannot be overestimated. Springtime is the natural breeding season for mares and most of them will show signs when in heat at this time of the year. It is the late summer months when mares should be closely watched. They are not likely to show much sign of being in heat during the hot months. Here is where many farmers make a serious error. They will watch their mares carefully while they are putting in the crops and will then turn them out to pasture, without trying them again unless they see signs of the mares being in heat. Mares should be tried at least twice per week if one expects to get good results. I know that it is a good deal of trouble but it is the only safe method to follow.

Where a large band of mares is kept, it is a big job to catch every one and test her twice a week. For many this would be impracticable. It would also be almost impossible for the farmer who has no stallion of his own to take his mare several miles to a stallion to try her. It is also quite unsatisfactory to lead a stallion out into a lot where there are several mares and try to locate any that are in heat. Sometimes this works but many times it does not. Where there are several mares together those that are not in heat will want to fight and get away and usually the young timid mare will follow the others so that one is unable to tell which mares are in heat. A few men have been successful in turning the stallion out with the mares. Here one must be very careful, for if a stallion gets out on the public road or into another man's field and does any damage his owner will be held accountable. Well-fenced fields away from the road and from the neighbor's pasture should be selected. If there are any horses in the adjoining field trouble will almost invariably be the result. Although it is sometimes difficult, it is wise to select a field that has cornfields on at least three sides. A well known Percheron breeder who has been extremely successful getting his mares in foal keeps them close to the barn and tries them twice a week until July 1. Then he turns his stallion out with his mares until fall. He fastens a light log chain about seven or eight feet in length to one of the stallion's forefeet. This keeps the stallion from running and is better than a short chain which would whip the front legs severely and likely do serious damage. By shifting the log chain from one front foot to the other, it is claimed that the horse never suffers from any strains. It is much easier to keep a stallion content in his own pasture when he is handicapped in this manner. On the farm where this scheme was used, this man had seventeen purebred Percheron mares last season and this summer every one of these mares has a colt at her side but one and this mare's colt died. Such a record, however, is exceptional. The practice of turning out the stallion can not be generally recommended, but it is found very satisfactory in some instances.

The breeding of purebred horses and draft horses in particular has suffered from a good deal of criticism on account of non-productive mares. It is true that we have many non-productive purebred mares but there is no logical reason why a purebred mare should be less productive than a grade of the same size and temperament. Non-productivity can in many instances be traced to improper care. In the past people often looked upon a purebred mare as being an animal that should not be worked. Here many breeders have experienced a serious error in the breeding of purebred draft horses. The horse is a beast of burden created for active work. When it is no longer used for this purpose its reproductive organs are among the first to be affected. Mares that are not worked and are well fed soon become too fat and with an excess of flesh they are likely to be barren. Purebred draft mares judiciously worked and well fed are in a much healthier condition and will produce better foals than those that are let run idle. The breeder with a large band of mares oftentimes cannot work all of his mares and care for them properly. As a result he does not get as high a percentage of colts as he should. The farmer with only a few mares can give each one his individual attention and thereby make them more regular producers.

Some stallioners believe that the only way of getting barren mares in foal is to serve them twice a day while they are in heat. Of course one service is all that is necessary, but with two services per day, one is more likely to catch the mare at the proper time. This seems to be most essential in many cases.

The use of good brood mares makes for a more profitable agriculture. Their work pays for their yearly keep and their colts are largely profit. He who appreciates the importance of the right kind of a brood mare in a farming system and uses her wisely has a great opportunity at his command.—Breeder's Gazette.

A GREAT BROOD MARE.

Anna B., the daughter of John Burdine and Daisy by Col. Hambrick, becomes through the performance of The Eno (4) 2:08¼ at Detroit and Grand Rapids one of but five matrons to produce a trio of 2:10 trotters. This great matron's list now consists of the following:

1907—Dictator Todd, blk h (5) by Todd 2:14¾.....2:08¼ (Sire)

1911—The Eno, ch c (4) by The Native 2:10½.....2:08¼

1892—Dolly Bidwell, br m (10) by Inglewood 2:24..2:08½ (Dam of 4—1 sire of 11.)

1908—Dorothy Bidwell, blk f by Cochato (3) 2:11½..2:26¼

1901—Betty B. H., b f (3) by King Larue.....2:29 (Dam of Geo. Todd 2:07¾, etc.—1 sire.)

As the dam of five trotters, three with records better than 2:10; the grandam of six in 2:30, including George Todd 2:07¾, Senator Hale 2:10¼, etc., it proves conclusively that Anna B. is a matron extraordinary and one which has produced a family which is breeding on very successfully. The Eno (4) 2:08¼, her latest addition to the Select Circle, is indeed an exceptionally fast trotting colt, one which unquestionably should ultimately secure a record of 2:05 if his great speed possessions coul be properly utilized.

As a three-year-old, he raced quite successfully i the south and in consequence was purchased by C. Floyd, for his patron Mr. Wathan, a Louisville, Ky distiller, at a price reported as $3,500. Before com ing north this spring, he worked in 2:10 and in h first start—Cranwood Park—would in all probabilit have won but for the fact that he became uncon trollable following a break, and choked down. A Youngstown, O., he worked a heat in 2:11½, whic is indeed most commendable over a two-lap ring, an in another mile at the same point stepped a las quarter a shade better than :32, and the final eight in 15 seconds. In his initial Grand Circuit appea ance—The Tavern Steak—he led his large field ove to the half in 1:01¼, but when rounding the turn jumped and after running a short distance, fell, a at Cranwood. "He can trot a half in a minute, remarked Floyd to us after the heat, when we wer extending our sympathies, "and if I get him over hi fault of pulling so much when he makes a mistake he will win some races."

The Eno (4) 2:08¼ is a rather small individual i height, but long bodied, heavily muscled, carries lot of meat, and is the fastest big gaited horse fo his size we ever looked at. In view of the face tha Floyd's good money earner, Omar 2:05¼, is on th shelf, the many followers of the game are particularl anxious to see The Eno (4) 2:08¼ race satisfactoril as "Kaintuck" is a deserving member of the profes sion and his presence on the circuit tends to enliven matters considerably.—American Sportsman.

THOSE BABY PACERS AT INDIANAPOLIS.

The racing program at the Indiana State Fair las week was productive of several performances o more than ordinary note, the feature being the rac paced by the good Pittsburgh colt, General Todd, i the pacing division of the Western Horseman Stake which was raced off on Wednesday. In pacing th second heat in this event in 2:04¼, the youngste from the Smoky City set a new world's record fo three-year-old pacing colts. His two heats in 2:05½ and 2:04¼ were the two fastest heats ever paced by a three-year-old pacing colt, and the 2:04¼ mile is a new record for the stake, the former record of 2:06¼ being established by Maggie Winder in 1910.

Taking into consideration that the track, whic had been drenched by the heavy rain on Tuesday was not in condition for record breaking, the per formance of the young son of George Todd 2:07¾ was truly remarkable. Not only did the youngste show that he is sensationally fast, but he also proved that he is a race colt of the highest type. In the local filly, Miss Harris M., General Todd had a tough opponent, but he was able to meet her in an even break, and beat her at every stage of the game. The two raced out by themselves and the filly had every chance possible to show her real calibre, but she was unable to get her nose in front of the colt once that they were on their way.

General Todd is owned by Henry B. Rea, of Pittsburgh, and was driven by Guy Rea, son of the owner, who has given the colt all of his schooling and who piloted the youngster in a masterful manner here. Rea is one of the younger generation of drivers and has made good in the sulky right from the start. Last season he won nine straight races over the half-mile tracks with the good trotter, Junior Watts 2:11¼, and also did well with the other members of his stable. His only other start of the present season with General Todd was in the Matron Stake at Grand Rapids. In this event he won in straight heats, the time in each of the heats being 2:06. Miss Harris M. was the contender in this race also. General Todd starts in the Review and Kentucky futurities, and if the Columbus and Lexington tracks are in their best condition when the colt from Pittsburgh starts, I look for him to pace to a record of 2:03 or better.

Miss Harris M. paced a brilliant race and her defeat in the big race on Wednesday is no disgrace to the grand-looking young daughter of Peter the Great 2:07¼. She simply met a pacer that had more speed than she possessed and was unable to beat him. Each heat she tried every inch of the way and never stopped trying until the wire was reached. She was driven by the Terre Haute teamster, Everett Osborn, Lon McDonald being unable to get here from Hartford to do the piloting, and the young man from the city where Donn Roberts once reigned did an extremely neat piece of teaming. Miss Harris M. is owned by Eugene Mettler, of this city, and if she has no setback, will be ready to pace a mile in better than 2:04 at Columbus, where she makes her next start in The Review Futurity.

Arkancello, the General Watts colt trained by Fred Edman, made his initial bow on a mile track, when he went up against General Todd 2:04¼, and Miss Harris M. 2:07¼, in the pacing division of The Western Horseman Stake, and paced a wonderful race, in view of the fact that he had never known what it meant to go just once around. He was timed separately in 2 08 and 2:07¼, in the two heats won by General Todd, and I believe that he will be able to go a couple of trips around 2:06 at Lexington, where he starts in the Kentucky Futurity.—Western Horseman.

Again we remind you that entries at Phoenix close on October first.

THE FARM

ADVANTAGES IN HAVING COWS FRESHEN IN THE FALL.

In many sections most of the cows freshen in the spring. The more observing and careful dairymen, however, having found that winter dairying has many advantages, are breeding their cows to drop the calves in the fall. The following are some of the advantages of winter dairying:

First, higher prices are obtained for milk and cream. As the usual season for cows to freshen is the spring, milk has always been plentiful during the early summer and scarce and higher during the winter.

Second, milk and cream can be handled in cold weather with less danger of souring, so there is little loss on account of milk returned from the creamery.

Third, the amount of labor on the farm is better distributed throughout the year. If the cows freshen in the spring, they are in full flow of milk and need the best care when work in the fields is most pressing. On the other hand, if the cows calve in the fall and are milked during the winter, the farmer can give them close attention, has more time to study the problem of feeding, and can give his men employment all the year and in that way get better help.

Fourth, the lactation period is lengthened and the amount of milk given during the year increased. Cows that freshen in the spring milk heavily while grass is good, but as the pastures dry up the flow of milk falls off and with the approach of winter the cows are nearly dry. If they freshen in the fall, they should at once be started on a good winter ration, and when they have been milked six months it is time to turn them to pasture and for a time the flow of milk will be nearly as great as that from fresh cows. Recent investigations by experiment stations verify this observation.

Fifth, fall calves can be raised better than those born in the spring. Young calves should be fed on milk for several months, after which they must be weaned and fed on solid food. —Rural World.

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FARMERS' MONTH AT PANAMA-PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION.

October has been officially designated as "Farmers' Month" at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, not only because, generally speaking, that is the month most suitable and convenient for farmers to visit the celebration of the completion of the Panama canal, but because during October there will be live stock shows held by the exposition at San Francisco that will be of peculiar interest and value to farmers.

These will be the shows of horses, mules, jacks and jennets, from September 30 to October 13, and of beef and dairy cattle, from October 18 to November 1. In these, picked pure-bred animals of all the recognized breeding classes will be on exhibition and will compete for cash prizes and trophies presented by the exposition, by a large number of breed record associations and by various state commissions to the exposition. In all, nearly $125,000 has been appropriated for the horse show and an approximately equal amount for the cattle show.

Of special interest in this connection is the opportunity offered by the exposition by reason of its geographic location for being a medium for reaching the new markets opened in South and Central America, the Orient and the Pacific islands, following the completion of the Panama canal and the consequent changing of trade routes.

Throughout the exposition period, there has been a continuous exhibition of agricultural instruments of many kinds, devices in great variety for the use of farmers, and improved methods of agriculture.

When entries closed on September 1, for the Horse Show, it was found that the applications were so numerous that the live stock accommodations of the exposition will be taxed to the utmost to provide for them. There will not be an empty stall.

During October, too, there will be a series of conventions at the exposition of special interest to farmers. Among them will be those of the California Draft Horse Breeds' Association, the American Association of Importers and Breeders of Belgian Draft Horses, the American Shire Horse Association, the California Conference of Boys' and Girls' Agricultural Clubs, the Ayrshire Breeders' Association, the American Galloway Breeders' Association, the the American Shorthorn Breeders' Association, the American Aberdeen Angus Association, the State Humane Association of California, the Red Polled Cattle Club, the Polled Durham Breeders' Association and the California Creamery Operators' Association.

All interested may attend these conventions and profit by the discussions.

UNDERGROUND WATER FOR IRRIGATION.

That the great deposits of rock waste underlying the deserts of Nevada constitute huge underground reservoirs in which are hidden large potential supplies of irrigation water is stated in a preliminary report by O. E. Meinzer, of the United States Geological Survey, on Big Smoky Valley—a typical desert valley of the Great Basin.

The demand for farm homes is so great, the reports states, that strenuous efforts will be made to utilize by irrigation every existing water supply, and the news of a single flowing well or the skillful advertisements of a promoter may at any time start a stream of home seekers, ignorant of the actual conditions and difficulties, into almost any of the desert valleys of the West. It is very desirable that the possibilities of these valleys should be thoroughly investigated before they are invaded by home seekers, for the ordinary settler is helpless when he confronts the unfamiliar and inherently difficult problems of irrigation with ground water.

As the ground water is hidden beneath the surface there is necessarily much uncertainty as to its ocurrence, and therefore corresponding caution should be observed in regard to ground water projects. Much can be determined as to the ground waters of desert valleys, however, even where no wells have been sunk, provided the proper observations are made and the proper criteria applied. It is generally possible to ascertain definitely where the ground water is near the surface, to outline the shallow-water areas, and to make an intelligent forecast of the depth to water in other parts of the valley. If sufficient observations are made it is also generally possible to form a rough estimate of the quantity of water that is annually available and to predict to some extent the capacity of wells, the quality of the water, and the cost of its recovery. To begin to develop the ground-water supply of a valley without first investigating its ground-water conditions is as unwise as it would be to start to build a railroad without first having the route surveyed, and the financial results are likely to be no less disastrous.

Even where a satisfactory supply of ground water is assured irrigation may be impracticable because of the high cost of recovering the water or the unfavorable climatic, soil, or market conditions. The problem of cost must be attacked from two principal directions: (1) Means must be devised for recovering the water at the least possible expense, and (2) crops must be found, methods of irrigation and cultivation devised, and markets developed which will result in the largest possible returns from each unit of water used. In many cases different crops and different methods of irrigation and cultivation will be required with ground-water than with surface-water supplies, and for this reason the ground-water investigations of the Geological Survey should be supplemented by correlative agricultural investigations by the experiment stations.

Conditions in Big Smoky Valley

The maps accompanying the report show that Big Smoky Valley, which is situated in the south-central part of the State, contains two areas of 30,000 and 100,000 acres, respectively, in which the water table is within 10 feet of the surface and in which water from the underground reservoir is discharged into the atmosphere by evaporation from soil and plants. It is estimated that in the larger of these areas the discharge of ground water averages between 50,000 and 100,000 acre-feet a year. The maps also show that the valley contains about 110,000 acres in which the depth to the water table is between 10 to 50 feet. Within the shallow-water areas the soil is generally alkaline, but it is estimated that there are about 65,000 acres of good soil in which the depth to water is less than 50 feet.

Pronounced differences were discovered in the water-bearing capacities, water levels, artesian prospects, quality of water, and feasibility of irrigation in different parts of the valley, all of which are briefly described in the preliminary report. There is also a discussion of the methods of drilling best adapted to the various conditions.

Conclusions as to Irrigation.

The conclusions as to irrigation with ground water are in part as follows:

Several tens of thousands of acre-feet of ground water is probably annually available for irrigation in Big Smoky Valley. The water is in general of satisfactory quality for irrigation, nearly all of the poor water being in the southwestern part of the lower valley, where there is practically no prospect for irrigation. A small part of the ground water supply can be recovered by means of flowing wells, but full use of the supply can be obtained only by pumping. In the areas in which the depth to the water table is less than 50 feet there is enough good soil to utilize all the ground water supply.

GRAIN SORGHUMS FOR FEEDING POULTRY.

The sorghum grains, especially the Blackhull kaffir, are excellently adapted for poultry feed, according to Farmers' Bulletin No. 686, Uses of Sorghum Grain, which will be issued shortly. In size these grains are small enough so that they are readily fed without any cracking or crushing.

An investigation made in 1908 showed more than 100 firms engaged in the manufacture of over 200 brands of poultry feed. Figures furnished at that time by 33 of these firms showed an annual output of about 30,000 tons of these products. Approximately one-third of this quantity, or 10,000 tons, consisted of the seed of Blackhull kaffir. This was used mostly in mixture with other grains, such as corn, wheat, screenings, etc. It probably is a safe estimate that kaffir or other grain-sorghum seed forms fully 25 per cent of the prepared poultry feed sold in this country.

There is a steady demand for these grains in the manufacture of poultry feed. When the crop in this country has been short, similar varieties have been imported from as far away as India and China. Such importations occurred four years ago as a result of the short crop of 1909. The poultry industry is steadily increasing in this country. It is probable that kaffir grain would form a still larger proportion of the total poultry feed manufactured if it were always available at satisfactory prices. This avenue for extending the use of these grains should not be neglected.

STOCK HOGS ON SEPTEMBER 1.

The estimated number of stock hogs in the United States on September 1 is about 107.2 per cent of the number on same date last year, that is, an increase of 7.2 per cent, according to reports made to the Bureau of Crop Estimates of the United States Department of 9griculture. The percentage numbers this year as compared with last year, September 1, in important States are: Pennsylvania 103, Virginia 105, North Carolina 104, Georgia 110, Ohio 104, Indiana 107, Illinois 107, Michigan 106, Wisconsin 103, Minnesota 108, Iowa 110, Missouri 104, North Dakota 115, South Dakota 110, Nebraska 110, Kansas 114, Kentucky 107, Tennessee 105, Alabama 108, Mississippi 105, Texas 110, Oklahoma 106, Arkansas 109, United States 107.2.

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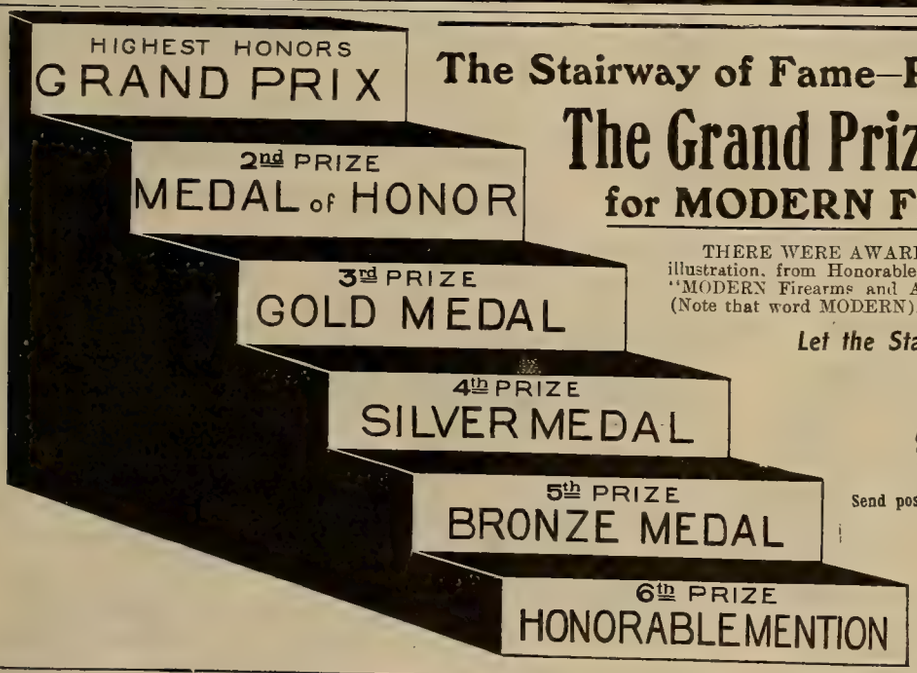
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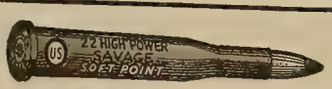
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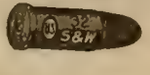
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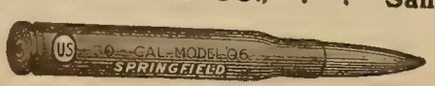
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GRAND CIRCUIT.

LUMBUS, O. .....Sept. 20-Oct. 2
EXINGTON, KY. .....October 4-16

OVERTISING AND AES-AES-(SAME WORD WE USED BEFORE) AGAIN.

The following editorial spasm appeared some weeks ıce in our sole surviving Chicago contemporary, e Review, and was put in type at the time, it being r intention to reproduce it that our readers might arn just how highly we are regarded in certain tarters, but for some reason we overlooked it until is week when the lino plugger wanted to know hynell it didn't go in so he could turn it in on his ring for settlement. The machine operator in uestion being much more feared when he is "riled" ıan is the editor of our s. s. C. c. (see above), we asten to include the same in our makeup in order ıat he may receive the proper credit and, ultimately, ıe customary financial remuneration, for the same:

'Way back in the winter we happened to drop a areless word or two regarding the climatic advanages of Chicago, Ill. The editor of our San Franisco contemporary, the "Breeder and Sportsman," ook this very hard. He seemed to apprehend upon ur part an indisposition to advertise the idyllic tmosphere of California. Apparently we had sinned ore grievously even than the historic individual ho "spoke disrespectfully of the equator." We were wee bit surprised, but still more amused — and uite willing to sick him on if thereby farther conributions to the general gaiety could be elicited. We asten to say that they were—for each of our innoent sallies was good for an increasingly large mount of editorial space in the "B. and S." Heavens—how serious it all seemed to that exponent f the climatic glories of the Pacific slope! In fact, t developed into an ingrowing case—almost psychoathis, one would be tempted to think—of which the esult has been such a "grouch" upon the part of the San Francisco editor as appears to be reaching the limensions of a mania.

Well—so far as that goes, we hold with the philosopher who enunciated that memorable maxim, "Every knock is a boost." So our equanimity is undisturbed. But some of our critic's animadversions are certainly weird. For instance: Some time ago we suggested that it would not be a bad thing if American track managers would name some of their fixed events after famous trotters of the past—historic horses whose names were worthy of such monuments; this practice having attracted our attention upon the European turf and seeming to us one fittingly to be emulated. But, lo and behold! From our Athenian contemporary, the "Horse Breeder," of Bosting (and all places in the world whence such a protest should proceed!) was forthcoming at once the severe criticism that we were chasing aesthetic rainbows and neglecting the box office; that it was absurd to advocate such a practice, because of the fact that the fixed events of the American trotting turf were subsidized for advertising purposes by hotels, breweries, patent medicine vendors, etc., etc., and that without such "angelic" assistance, their accustomed places upon Grand Circuit programs would know them no more—with other observations to the like effect. To which we replied that the advertising adjunct might have its own proper place in stake promotion, but that when everything else must be made subservient thereto, it was placing things upon a very sordid and "corned beef-and-cabbage" basis, from which the turf, more than anything else, needed a let-up.

All of which has stirred up the "B. and S." editor to fresh spasms, their crux being that we are the last source whence such an argument should emanate, seeing that we promote, and for a quarter of a century past have promoted, a futurity which is known as the Horse Review Futurity, and does not bear the name of a historic horse!

Gadzooks!—has our California critic, in his anxiety to "knock," discarded altogether logic and common sense? It would appear so. If the Review had wished to get an advertising subsidy for its futurities by utilizing their names as stalking horses for patent medicines or beers, hobbles or hotels, it could have enriched itself to the tune of many thousands of dollars during the period alluded to. But the idea never occurred to us and, if suggested, would have been declined with thanks. Any other name than that of this paper would have been excrescent for the futurities which it has promoted. It is not only strictly germane to them—it is also strictly within the line of demarcation between what is allowable and in good taste and what is the reverse. The Horse Review futurities were created by the Horse Review wholly and absolutely. It conceived their original idea, promoted them each and every one, guaranteed their payment, and made good the guarantees upon its own responsibility and without any "angelic" assistance of any sort whatever. There is about as much similarity between these events and that sort of stakes to which a pill-factory or a distillery graciously offers to add a little money, or donate a piece of tin-ware to the winner in return for having its name branded thereupon, as there is between Niagara Falls and the North Pole.

If the "B. and S." can't see this, if it is unable to "tell a hawk from a handsaw"—and we have a suspicion that it can't—we have no farther mission to enlighten it, except to say that while it seems to labor under the illusion that we are "having a fight," we have just been amusing ourselves!

Having thus squared ourselves with the "copy" hog, we will again take up the pleasing pastime of continuing the argument which was, through our carelessness, so rudely interrupted. We enjoy these little digressions from the daily routine, not only for purely personal reasons, but also from a business standpoint. We recall a famous race track official whose motto was "Publicity—for me or against me, but—publicity," and we confess to a fondness for the free advertising accorded to us by the Review's editorial page in preference to that we might gain from the patronage of its business pages at so much per pat. This is, of course, due in a large measure to our well known modesty, as we are nothing if not a self-effacing, retiring little cuss, and we would hesitate to promulgate over our own signature at so much per sig. the fulsome compliments and glowing encomiums so profusely and gratuitously showered upon us by the editorial page of our s. s. C. c. (as before).

Exactly as we had anticipated at the time when we penned the little inquiry which the Review construed, quite erroneously, as a knock, the editor of our s. s. C. c. (same thing) has taken the stand that whatever the Review does is all right purely and simply because it is the Review that does it. Of course, there is precedent for such action, but precedent is not always a safe thing to follow. We recall that back in the good old days of the Roman empire—and we do not mean the empire at the ball game at Rome, Georgia, who was beaned with a pop bottle—the leaders of the younger married set were a certain Mr. and Mrs. Cæsar. Now the younger married set in those days when the city by the Tiber was the center of civilization and social activity of the known world was much like the younger married set of our own day, and then, as now, scandal was an ever present menace to certain members of the said y. m. s. As we recall the situation, Col. Cæsar's time was well taken up by affairs of state and finance, and as is yet not unusual in such cases, Mrs. Cæsar, whose maiden name has for the moment escaped us, numbered among her entourage (with apologies to the Review for infringing upon its French copyright) certain gentlemen friends whose attentions were more remarkable for their warmth than for their discretion. Alas, too true!

As is as yet the case, messieurs and mes- (excuse us while the operator waits for another letter in the "s" channel—ah, yes, here it is) dames, kind friends did not hesitate to apprise the Colonel of the fact that there were masculine hoofprints in the flower beds under a certain window of his suburban villa, and then it was that Cæsar proved himself, in the public eye at least, one of nature's noblemen. Did he go on the warpath with a sawed-off shotgun or a mercury tablet, or say "Woman, go your-r-r way-y!" or any such undignified and hasty thing as that? Nix.

What he did was to draw himself up to his full height, drape the tails of his mother hubbard—or toga, as they called the masculine kimono of those days—over his left arm, and with a sweeping gesture of his old right soupbone affirm his belief that Cæsar's wife was above suspicion because she was Cæsar's wife!

Loud applause!

He made it stick, too, so strongly that a lot of feeble-minded simps take comfort from the theory advanced to this day, but we have always had a persistent idea as to what the public really thought, and, also, anent the Colonel's private opinions in the matter, and incline to the belief that only the fact that the good old U. S. A. was as yet unknown by several centuries prevented the appearance of his name, unattended, upon the register of a certain popular Nevada hostelry (name upon application, as we get a commission on guests we send 'em), and the subsequent "Renoing" of the lady aforesaid with the customary neatness and dispatch.

Nor will it appear either to ourselves, whose thick-wittedness is, for the sake of the argument, admitted, or to many others in the horse world whose intelligence is not so readily assailable, that the Review's course in bestowing its name upon a futurity is so purely æsthetic and so absolutely devoid of base commercialism or "corned-beef-and-cabbageness" as its editor would have it believed. The industry of racing and racegiving is maintained not as a philanthropy but as a business from which one anticipates the return of "a living" and some measure of profit, direct, indirect, or both. Futurity stakes in some instances have not proved productive of direct profit, though such disasters are not traceable to the "intentions" of their promoters. A turf journal endows a stake in the hope of direct profit, and assured of the indirect profit gained through it as an advertising medium and as a stepping stone to prestige. How glowingly does the editor of our e. s. s. C. c. (we put the "e" there out of editorial courtesy) dwell upon "making good the guarantee upon its own responsibility." What a noisy silence he preserves concerning those years when the stake paid a direct profit on the responsibility of its patrons! How masterfully does he ignore the indirect profit from publicity and prestige gained that has been of untold service in assisting the Review to the commanding position it now occupies in the field of turf journalism!

We do not now, nor did we at any time during the present controversy, offer any defense of the practice of subsidizing trotting stakes by booze emporiums or quack medicine houses, those interests being the ones to bear the brunt of the Review's attacks. Our contention is that the ends sought by those concerns are identical with those sought by the Review—some measure of return for the money. We do hold that there are many of the "allied industries" whose interests in the light harness horse world are so close, so real, and so extensive that they could subsidize an event or endow a stake with the same propriety with which the horse journals promote their futurities. Horsemen, as a rule, are not æsthetes; nor are they, as a class, overly fond of corned beef and cabbage as a regular diet, but in a long career both as host and guest we have found blamed few of them who would shy from a middle course as exemplified by a good sound piece of steak and the usual substantial and savory "trimmings."

Perhaps the latter course, figuratively speaking, would be a fairly acceptable one for the trotting horse world as a whole to adopt.

But, the Review errs in its insinuation that we threw a fit because its futurity failed to bear the name of a famous horse. In our suggestions we made mention of no horse. Nay, nay, Pauline, not so. Look again.

And ere we close: "Every knock is a boost!"

Did you get it? All of it? And he says he believes it!

If he does, and of course he said he did, all is explained. How he must love us—and our California! We almost love him for the love he bears us, for love, Mabel, unrequited love, is an awful thing! However, be the dish æsthetic, corned-beef-and-cabbageish, or steak and potatoish, a grain of salt is not merely relished but necessary—and we take a little of the same with this statement. As the immortal bard so aptly remarked:

"Last night I slept in an editor's bed,
Though no editor was nigh,
And I thought as I drowsed in that editor's bed:
'How easily editors lie!'"

Racing at Washington State Fair

[Report by Anozira.]

North Yakima, Sept. 20.—Beautiful weather graced the opening of the Washington State Fair today, and while the attendance was not what it should have been the big show is in every way more distinctive than its predecessors of recent seasons, the initial efforts of Frank Meredith as secretary and manager promising much for the future.

The racing today was brisk and entertaining, the Californians taking the honors in each event, the performance of Potrero Boy being especially pleasing. Prince Zolock, who was heralded as the boss of the 2:12 pacers, caught cold during the ship from Walla Walla and was unable to start, Henry Hellman having a very sick horse on hand when that race was called. The summary:

Sept. 20.—2:30 trot, purse $500:
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel....(Spencer) 1 1 1
Amy McKinney, bl m by McKinney...(Wilbourne) 2 2 2
Columbia T., b m by Bon Guy.....(Daniels) 3 3 3
Sedge Sparrow, b m by Spokane.....(Angel) 4 4 4
Time—2:15¾, 2:13¼, 2:18¼.

2:12 pace, purse $750:
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio.....(Daniels) 1 1 1
Hal Edo, b m by Hal B.....(Archer) 2 2 2
Harold Welcome, b h by Welcome.....(Butcher) 3 3 3
William G., ch g by Clarence Wilkes...(Duncan) 4 4 4
Time—2:07¼, 2:09, 2:11.

Sept. 22.—This was the third day of the Washington State Fair but the first one in which the attendance was anywhere near what it should have been. Some five thousand people were in evidence but in view of the fact that it was "North Yakima Day" the display of patriotism might have been more pronounced.

The racing is on the "three heat, every heat a race" plan and was snappy and pleasing to the crowd that witnessed it. The scoring was kept to the minimum and as the horses were on the ground promptly Starter McNair's schedule was finished on time, the last heat being called at 3:30. The people like this, too, for it enables them to make holiday appointments—and then keep them. Floradora Z. and Lady Hal, both consistent performers this season on the North Pacific circuit, accounted for the winner's portion of their respective races, the details being as follows:

North Yakima, Sept. 22.—2:25 trot, purse $600:
Floradora Z., b m by Zombro.....(Guion) 1 1 1
Hallie B., b m by Hal B.....(Swisher) 3 2 2
Amy McKinney, bl m by McKinney (Wilbourne) 2 4 4
Columbia T., b m by Bon Guy.....(Daniels) 4 3 3
Lathrop, b g by Evergets.....(Carr) 5 5 5
Time—2:14¼, 2:14¼, 2:14¼.

2:25 pace, purse $500:
Lady Hal, b m by Hal B.....(Hogoboom) 1 1 1
Nigger Boy, bl g by Oregon Patch.....(Lance) 2 2 3
High Ho, b h by Keeler.....(Cooper) 4 3 2
Elfreda D., b m by Diablo.....(Mrs. Herman) 3 4 4
Time—2:13, 2:13½, 2:11.

Sept. 23.—"Governor's Day" dawned clear and beautifully, but just as the first race was called a windstorm broke and lasted about ten minutes, followed by about five minutes of light rain. No damage resulted and after the elements had settled again, everything progressed famously. Governor Lister appeared about three o'clock and was heartily welcomed by the big crowd of ten thousand loyal Washingtonians, who enthusiastically cheered his very excellent speech, during the course of which he expressed his belief in the success of this and all future state fairs.

California horses cleaned up the program in straight heats and good time, Bonnie Ansel trotting her third heat in 2:11¼, while Teddy Bear, in the final mile in the pace, put up the first 2:10 performance of the meeting. The racing was on the same sharp, clean-cut order that ruled yesterday and was finished at four o'clock, when the big million-dollar stock parade was formed in front of the grandstand.

The summaries:

Sept. 23.—2:12 trot, purse $750:
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel.....(Spencer) 1 1 1
Dan Matthews, b g by Eagle Blood.....(Brown) 2 2 2
Starost, ch h by The King Red....(Gunderson) 3 4 3
Sargo, b g by Keeler..... 4 3 4
Time—2:13½, 2:12¼, 2:11¼.

Free-for-all pace, purse $750:
Teddy Bear, b h by Del Coronado.....(Daniels) 1 1 1
Allerdaw, b g by Allertonian.....(Hogoboom) 2 2 2
Haltamont, b h by Hal B.....(Todd) 3 3 3
Time—2:11¼, 2:11½, 2:10.

Sept. 24.—This was "Elks' Day" at the Washington State Fair, and "Old Sol," as if in recognition of the Best People on Earth, gave us a delightfully pleasant afternoon. The crowd was not quite so large as that of yesterday, but the program was more extensive and the racing of a really higher order.

Charley Guion, evidently figuring that this is going to be a long, hard winter, went after the big end of the 2:20 trot and secured it, too, but not until Hallie B. had forced Floradora Z. to trot a winrace record of 2:11½, the time being nearly three seconds faster than that displayed by the same pair on Wednesday. The money in the other events was rounded up principally by the Californians, the 2:20 pace being the best event of the week, though practically a two-horse race between Potrero Boy and Mack Fitzsimmons. The Demonio gelding paced the first heat in 2:06½, with Fitzsimmons second and Elfreda D., driven by her owner, Mrs. Herman, a nice third. The second went to Fitzsimmons in 2:11¼ owing to a bit of unsteadiness on Potrero Boy's part, but the latter lad showed his real class by coming back in 2:06¼ in the third, with Helman's entry right after him. Daniels also took two heats of the special mixed event with Kid Cupid, the third going to Will Duncan's William G., with Nuristo third—the three all hailing from the Sacramento valley. The afternoon in detail:

Sept. 24.—2:25 trot, purse $600:
Floradora Z., b m by Zombro.....(Guion) 1 1 1
Hallie B., b m by Hal B.....(Spencer) 2 2 2
Eloise Dell, br m by Alconda Jay.....(Daniels) 4 3 3
The Frisco, ch g by Caution.....(Lance) 3 4 4
Time—2:13¼, 2:11½, 2:13.

2:20 pace, purse $600:
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio.....(Daniels) 1 2 1
Mack Fitzsimmons, ch g by Bob Fitzsimmons...
.....(Helman) 2 1 2
Elfreda D., b m by Diablo.....(Mrs. Herman) 3 ds
Belle Smith, br m by The Blacksmith (Hogoboom) ds
Time—2:06½, 2:11½, 2:06¼.

Special Class, mixed, purse $300:
Kid Cupid, ch g by Cupid.....(Daniels) 1 1 2
William G., ch g by Clarence Wilkes....(Duncan) 2 2 1
Nuristo, b g by Nushagak.....(Spencer) 3 3 3
Viva Hal, br m by Hal B.....(Kenney) 4 4 4
Time—2:14¼, 2:14½, 2:12½.

Sept. 25.—This is getaway day at the Washington State Fair. The crowd numbers about 1500 whereas it should be as many thousands. The people have not patronized this fair as they should have done. Every department was one of merit and reflected credit upon the exhibitors and the management of the fair. To Secretary Meredith, Dr. Prior and Dr. H. T. Graves, the Commissioner of Agriculture, belongs the praise for giving the state of Washington the best State Fair ever held within its borders. They were here, there and everywhere and although Secretary Meredith is a new man here, the people recognize his worth as an executive and general fair official. With the support he deserves, Washington will in a few years have one of the great fairs of the country.

The race program of the week was high class. The fields were not large but the finishes in nearly every event were the kind which sends thrills through the grandstand as well as every part of the ground from which they could be seen. That of today was no exception, the rule seeming to be to go as fast as possible in every heat. This meeting being conducted under the "every heat a race" plan, several of the horses had opportunities to make an earning which would not have been possible under the old three in five plan. The "every heat a race" seems to be popular with the horsemen of the northwest.

Today three horses were started to beat 2:25¼ pacing. They were all daughters of Hal B. and as usual had no trouble in taking the mark. The only one near failure was the eight-year-old mare Lady Hal. Owner Davis worked her a mile in 2:20 and immediately turned her for the word. It was asking a mighty sight of the mare and it would have been no discredit had she failed in the attempt. Nearly all horsemen are agreed that had Mr. Davis given her the proper chance she would have beaten 2:20 easily.

For the 2:18 pace Driver Helman started the good horse Prince Zolock, which in a former letter was reported to be very sick. This big fellow marched an easy mile, finishing "pulled up" in 2:06½, and an examination by the "vet" after the heat demonstrated it to be unwise, in fact, dangerous to start him back and he was consequently excused. Charley Spencer seems to have found the key to Glenrose's erraticness and stepped her the last mile in the special pace in 2:07¼, the last quarter in 29¾ seconds. This mare has not done well in the past and owner Roberts was right at the discouraged point. He has taken new heart and hopes to find he not only has a fast animal but a good racing tool.

The work of Starter McNair was one of the features of the meeting. He did good work here last year but this year's work was a shade better. He got his 41 heats off with 68 scores, an average of 1.66 to the heat, and the average time for the meeting was 2:11¾. The local people swear by "Mack," as he certainly takes care of the occupants of the grandstand and permits no imposition of any sort by the venders of lemonade, cigars, etc. Today's summaries:

Sept. 25.—2:18 pace, purse $600:
Lady Hal, b m by Hal B.....(Hogoboom) 3 1 1
Hal Edo, b m by Hal B.....(Archer) 2 2 3
Scarlet Trent, b g by Parovas.....(Brown) 4 3 2
Nigger Boy, bl g by Oregon Patch.....(Lance) 5 4 4
Prince Zolock, bl h by Zolock.....(Hellman) 1 dr
Time—2:06½, 2:09½, 2:09½.

Special class, purse $200:
Delmas, ch g by Dialect.....(Wilbourne) 1 1 2
Glenrose, bl m by Beaumont.....(Spencer) 2 3 1
Elfreda D., b m by Diablo.....(Melman) 3 2 3
Frank Zolock, ch g by Zolock.....(Lance) 4 4 4
Time—2:09¾, 2:10, 2:07¼.

To beat 2:25¼ pacing:
Viva Hal, (6) b m by Hal B.....(Kenney) 2:12
Daisy D., (5) by Hal B.....(Kenney) 2:20½
Lady Hal, (8) by Hal B.....(Davis) 2:24¼

E. L. Peck, general superintendent of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad, who makes Southern California his home for a considerable portion of each year, is so well pleased with the training facilities afforded by the plant of the Riverside District Fair Association that he is having one or two of his favorite three-year-old trotters brought from the east to Riverside for speed development. Quite a little colony of horsemen will winter there, from present indications.

FIFTH DAY AT COLUMBUS.

Columbus, Sept. 24.—While straight heats were th order of the day yesterday, today's program was c from a piece of goods with a more varied patter splits developing in each of the three events co tested, one of which was unfinished and was carrie over until tomorrow. Rastus, favorite for the 2:(pace, brought on a slight attack of palpitation of th heart to his numerous backers when outfooted in th first heat by John D. in 2:04¾, but came bac stronger than the Indiana sidewheeler and won o out in handy fashion. John D. drove him out in tw heats right at 2:05 before giving up, Bingen Pointe taking the place in the final brush.

The 2:09 trot went six rounds before a decisio was reached, Tommy Murphy's Mirthful having th best lasting speed of the bunch. Vaster, the old gra veteran who routed the dopesters on Monday whe he romped away with the 2:11 trot, won the firs heat in 2:08¼ and was then relegated to the ruck the race developing into a duel between Mirthful an St. Frisco, the latter horse the favored one in th betting. Mirthful took the second heat, lost the thir by a costly break and was out-trotted in the fourth Here her staying qualities served her well and sh took the fifth handily and after going to the half i 1:03 in the sixth would have distanced both St. Frisc and Vaster had Murphy not taken her home on a jog

Virginia Brooks was the original choice for th 2:08 pace, but failed to figure seriously in the even as far as it had gone when carried over. Budd El liott and Marse Edward Geers rode in front for th first heat, which was marred by an accident. Miss Rejected fell, throwing Yates from his seat and causing a number of horses to be interfered with, all being placed by the judges. Yates was stunned, but not seriously injured. In the second heat Thistle Patch and Billy Snow jumped the time a full three seconds and in the third one Red Mike and J. O. McAllister went to the front, Budd Elliott being well back each time. The summary:

Columbus, Sept. 24.—2:06 pace, purse $1,200:
Rastus, br g by Liberty Boy.....(McDonald) 2 1 1 1
John D., b g by Gamrose..(Osborne-Rhoades) 1 2 2 4
Bingen Pointer, b h by Bingen.....(Snow) 3 3 3 2
Our Colonel, Frank Patch, The Assessor and Ben Lo-canda also started.
Time—2:04¾, 2:05½, 2:05¼, 2:06¼.

2:09 trot, purse $1,200:
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen..
.....(Murphy) 5 1 4 2 1 1
St. Frisco, b h by San Francisco (Geers) 3 4 1 1 2 2
Vaster, gr g by Vasteen.....(Ragsdale) 1 5 5 4 4 3
Laramie Lad, Harry J. S. and Hazel Laing also started.
Time—2:08¼, 2:06¼, 2:07¼, 2:07¼, 2:08¼, 2:11¼.

2:08 pace, purse $1,200 (unfinished):
Thistle Patch, bl h by Joe Patchen.....(Snow) 4 1 2
Red Mike, ch g by Ananias.....(McAllister) 8 2 1
Budd Elliott, br g by Prodigal.....(Geers) 1 8 6
Spring Maid, Virginia Brooks, Goldie C., Prince Jolla, Miss Rejected and Hedgewood Patchen also started.
Time—2:09¼, 2:06¼, 2:09¼.

Sixth Day at Columbus.

Columbus, Sept. 25.—No races were scheduled for today on the original program, but to provide an opportunity to finish the 2:18 pace and to give non-winners a chance at a bit of money, Secretary Sheppard arranged a card that pleased a good crowd of spectators. In that portion of the 2:18 pace raced yesterday Budd Elliott, Thistle Patch and Red Mike were the heat winners, the latter horse being a heavily backed second choice. However, "the more the merrier," remarked Johnny Rhodes as he scored down today with Goldie C., and there was absolutely "nothing to it" for three in a row save the daughter of Wiltranby, never better than fourth in yesterday's competition. Red Mike left his feet in the first heat this afternoon and saw the flag fall without the necessity of looking backward, while Thistle Patch spoiled his chances on two separate occasions by breaks made after passing the distance.

The special trot went in straight heats to Nata Prime in a rather featureless contest, but the pacing race developed more interest. Fleeta Dillon, the uncertain proposition with which Lawrence Shuler has made a fair showing this season, considering her former "rep," equaled her Indianapolis record by taking the first heat in 2:08¼, coming back strong for the second in 2:06¼, driven out by Ross Keith and the Canadian-owned pacer Texas Jack. The latter horse was going better all the time and put a crimp in the bunch with a third heat in 2:04½, after which they were satisfied to slow up about nine seconds, though the fifth heat was back in the same notch as the first. The summaries:

Columbus, Sept. 25.—2:18 pace (first three heats Sept. 24), purse $1,200:
Goldie C., b m by Wiltranby.....(Rhodes) 1 1 1
Thistle Patch, bl h by Joe Patchen.....(Snow) 2 4 2
Budd Elliott, br g by Prodigal..(Geers-Benison) 4 3 3
Spring Maid, Virginia Brooks, Red Mike, Prince Jolla, Miss Rejected and Hedgewood Patchen also started.
Time—2:07¾, 2:09¾, 2:08½.

Special trot, purse $400:
Nata Prime, br m by John Bascomb....(Wright) 1 1 1
Allerta, ch m by Directum Kelly.....(Snedeker) 2 2 4
Parcliff, b g by Stormcliff.....(McCarthy) 4 4 2
Willow Mack, Grand Chimes and Jeannette Speed also started.
Time—2:10¾, 2:11¾, 2:10¼.

Special pace, purse $400:
Texas Jim, ch g by Texas Jack.....
.....(Roche-V. Fleming) 4 3 1 1 1
Fleeta Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon.....
.....(L. Shuler) 1 1 3 4 3
Ross Keith, b g by Waltz.....(Berry) 3 2 2 3 2
Red Rice and Fern Hal also started.
Time—2:08¼, 2:06¼, 2:04½, 2:13¼, 2:08¼.

Seventh Day at Columbus.

Columbus, Sept. 28.—Rains on Sunday and again Monday morning interrupted the sport at the Grand

Vera Hal Sets New Stadium Record

Sunday last, though ushered in with fog and an overcast sky, developed into one of the finest days for racing that has graced the entire season, warm and sunshiny, with almost no breeze, and members of the San Francisco-California Driving Club celebrated the occasion fittingly by hanging up a new race record for the fun track at the Stadium.

Five races were on the card, with the free-for-all pace the feature event, as usual. The free-for-allers have been on the upgrade for some time, steadily improving in form as the season lengthened, and the crowd in attendance was confident that Sunday's race would bring out some fast work, as the horses were not only "good" but rivalry between their owners ran pretty high. Jimmy Ryan did the starting and sent the four headliners away to a good start, Vera Hal assuming the lead before reaching the quarter and maintaining it throughout the mile, Dick W. furnishing the best of competition with Little Bernice and Happy Dentist not far away. The time, 2:07¾, was only a quarter of a second removed from that of the first mile of the race on September 4th when Cohen and his game little mare established a new two-heat record for the course, and as the mare was right and the conditions good the pair set sail in the second heat for another record, winning by three lengths in the fast time of 2:06¾, Little Bernice taking the place by a good stretch drive. Happy Dentist, who was last, was timed separately in 2:08½, so no one was loafing on the job. Vera Hal's performance gives her two records for the Stadium track—the fastest mile and also the fastest two miles. The new Stadium queen has been a familiar figure on California tracks, having been in the 2:10 list for the past five years. She was bred by A. Estrom of Oakland and is by Expressive Mac 2:25½, out of the double producer Carmen by Newsboy. For the last two or three years she has been owned and driven by her present owner, Harold Cohen of this city.

Ed Strain of Marysville prolonged his visit to take part in Sunday's fray and had a very pleasant afternoon, thank you, winning the 2:18 pace with Lucia S. in two nice heats. Ed was also trying all the time with Francis S. in the free-for-all trot, but while Birdeye and Ella M. R. were "his meat," the Ottinger combination of Agnes Carter and Al Schwartz proved more than he could handle, Agnes lining out a pair of miles in 2:17 and 2:15.

Bradmont, back among the 2:15 pacers, delivered the goods in time that he can be depended upon to show regularly, and the mixed class was a toss-up between Lassie M., Ateka and Cookey, each winning a heat with the first named having the best of the summary at the finish. The summary:

Lucia S.	(J. E. Strain)	1	1
Victor Pointer	(Dan Keating)	2	4
Jack	(McDonnell & Conlan)	6	2
Hamburg Belle	(J. Ginocchio)	3	3
G. J. P.	(R. Consani)	4	5
Zorankin	(F. Callea)	5	6

Time—2:14¾, 2:15.

2:15 pace:

Bradmont	(G. J. Giannini)	1	1
Mabel Dillon	(B. Cohen)	2	2
Emma M.	(William Malough)	3	3
Senator H.	(Joe Kidd)	4	4

Time—2:13, 2:11.

Free-for-all pace:

Vera Hal	(H. Cohen)	1	1
Dick W.	(A. Ottinger)	2	3
Little Bernice	(J. C. Welsh)	3	2
Happy Deitist	(J. J. Ryan)	4	4

Time—2:07¾, 2:06¾.

Free-for-all trot:

Agnes Carter	(A. Ottinger)	1	1
Francis S.	(J. E. Strain)	2	2
Birdeye	(A. Combatalade)	3	3
Ella M. R.	(G. J. Giannini)	4	4

Time—2:17, 2:15

2:20, mixed:

Lassie M.	(M. M. Bates)	1	2	2
Ateka	(B. Cohen)	2	1	3
Cookey	(J. Vermet)	3	3	1

Time—2:21½, 2:22, 2:21.

Circuit meeting that has been in progress here since September 20, and when racing was resumed today the track was cuppy and slow, the time made under the existing conditions being very good indeed.

Bessie R., first choice for the 2:15 pace, made a game effort to make good for her backers in a five heat contest in which she was but once worse than second. Margie Hal took the opener in 2:09¼ from Bessie, the latter coming back to win the second heat in time two seconds faster, whereupon Tom Berry and Mary Coastman, eleventh and seventh in the first and second heats, came out for three in a row in good time.

The 2:09 trot also went five rounds to a decision, Lizzie Brown, the favorite, winning in good shape after losing the first and third heats through breaks at the stretch. Lady Grattan and Peter McCormick traced each other for place, the Cox mare having one position the best of Shuler's big trotter when the summary was cast. The latter horse has been laying up at Indianapolis with an injured leg since the Grand Circuit shifted from Michigan to eastern points, and "came back" well today.

Volga, winner of the Horse Review futurity last week, repeated today in the junior division of the horseman stake, Ben White again handling the reins. She trotted the last halves of her two heats in 1:03 and 1:04, coming from behind and winning as she pleased from Bingen Silk, who in turn outrushed Walnut Tree and Suldine. The 2:18 trot was cut into two races, Onward Forbes taking the first division in straight heats from Trusada, Princess Margrave and half a dozen others. The judges called the derrick into commission twice during the afternoon, supplanting drivers Marsh and Egan without affecting any momentous improvements in the performance of their mounts. The summary:

Columbus, Sept. 28.—2:15 pace, purse $1,200:

Mary Coastman, b m by Coastman (Berry)	11	7	1	1	1
Bessie R., b m by Captain H.... (Robinson)	2	1	2	3	2
Margie Hal., b m by Devil Hal..... (Rea)	1	5	6	9	3
Tango, Madam Mac, Joe Ashland, Dexter Direct, Joe Boggs, Patrick M., Clara Walker and Peter Oakland also started.					

Time—2:09¼, 2:07¼, 2:07¼, 2:08¾, 2:09½.

Chamber of Commerce, 2:09 trot, purse $3,000:

Lizzie Brown, b m by The Bondsman..... (Valentine)	5	1	4	1	1
Lady Grattan, ch m by Joe Grattan... (Cox)	1	2	2	3	3
Peter McCormick, bl h by Peter the Great.. (Shuler)	3	4	1	2	2
Lulu Lumine and Par McKerron also started.					

Time—2:10½, 2:08¾, 2:09½, 2:09¼, 2:08¾.

Horseman Futurity, two-year-old trotters, purse $3,000:

Volga, ch f by Peter the Great..... (White)	1	1	
Bingen Silk, b c by Bingen..... (Chandler)	2	2	
Walnut Tree, b f by Siliko..... (Murphy)	4	3	
Suldine, Atlantika and Adele Block also started.			

Time—2:12¾, 2:12½.

2:18 trot, purse $800, first division:

Onward Forbes, b h by J. Malcolm Forbes (Shank)	1	1	1
Trusada, b m by Moko..... (Cox)	3	3	2
Princess Margrave, ro m by Margrave (McMahon)	4	2	3
Idora Worthy, Pony Express, Miss Cresceus, Durin, Oro Society and Zomblack also started.			

Time—2:10¾, 2:09¾, 2:09½.

Eighth Day at Columbus.

Columbus, Sept. 29.—A rather chilly north wind was the only detrimental feature here today, but the footing was good and the time in all events excellent. Eight trotters made up the second division of the 2:18 trot and Ames Albingen was the public's choice to head the summary, the bay horse making good eventually. Breaks in the first and second heats when he appeared to have the situation well in hand only served to delay rather than alter the result, as in the final miles he trotted steadily and won in nice shape.

Mary Putney, winner of the Review futurity last week, annexed another bunch of Windy City bills by taking first place in the Horseman futurity this afternoon, first money in the two events paying a good profit on the purchase price of $5,000 paid to Walter Cox by her new owner, Chauncey Sears. She had a "narrow squeak" in the first heat, going to a break just after getting the word and failing to settle until the field had passed her, going on and trotting the last half in 1:02½ to finish sixth. Keeping to a trot thereafter she won impressively, reducing her former mark to 2:07¾.

The Arch City stake was not finished, and as far as it went was one real horse race. Russell Boy was an odds-on favorite, with Hal Boy the second choice, the latter taking the first heat by out-brushing the Illinois horse in the final sprint. Judge Ormonde, riding comfortably in seventh place in the first heat, cut into the game in the second, winning with ease after carrying Russell Boy to a break in the stretch, also taking the third in the hardest kind of a drive, Russell Boy nosing out Hal Boy and The Beaver for place in one of the best contests ever witnessed here. In the fourth, Valentine's black weakened at the end and Russell Boy won by half a length.

Valentine also has the winner of the 2:13 pace as far as it has gone, Dwight Logan having lined out the two miles raced in 2:06¼ and 2:05½, driven out alternately by Grace D. and Tramp a Bit. Neither Peter Volo nor Etawah were sent for records as originally planned, but Margaret Druien, starting to beat 2:04¼, trotted an excellent mile in 2:03½. The summaries:

Columbus, Sept. 29.—2:18 trot, second division, purse $800:

Ames Albingen, b h by Albingen (McDonald)	8	6	1	1	1
King Charley, b g by King Electric (Reaves)	1	1	4	6	2
Audrey Grey, br m by Moko..... (Cox)	5	5	2	2	3
Tommy Todd, Judge Jones, Harry Porter, Myra Mc-					

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RIVERSIDE PROMISES GOOD SPORT.

This has been a long dry summer in California for horsemen and for the folks who like to see trotting and pacing races, but it looks like the drought might be "busted with a bump" next week at Riverside when the speed program of the Riverside District Fair Association is staged. The track is one of the fastest bits of dirt in the west, and the excellence of the footing coupled with the quality of the fields makes it appear that the racing will be of the genuine "Sun-kist" variety. Sixty-nine entries were received for eight races, the list including a number of those taking part in the big meeting here in June, including Hemet Stock Farm's good three-year-olds, Allie Lou and Oro Lou, and Will Durfee's topliners, White Sox and Virginia Barnette. San Jacinto, holder of the Riverside track record is another entrant, as is Vera Hal, holder of the local matinee record here in San Francisco. Altogether it looks like a big week, well worthy of generous patronage. The entries in the various classes are as follows:

2:30 Trot.

Annie Conn, b m by Onn Conn, Axel Nelson; Levia W., ch m by Peacock, Geo. E. Bunnell; Dark Streak, b g by Raymond, H. E. Webster; Caroline, b m by Robin, Leona Williams; Don de Lopez, b c by Kinney de Lopez, Hemet Stock Farm; Luana, b m by Kinney Lou, L. B. Taylor; Zombroso, br h by Zombro, Marsh Thompson; Guy Boy, br g by Guy Bellou, Mrs. Jas. Stewart; Larry K., b g by Larry Kinney, C. B. Courtwright; Maggie M., br m by Carlokin, C. H. Morgan; Oldfolks, b g by Del Coronado, W. G. Durfee & Co.

2:23 Pace.

Maud Wilkes, ch m by Stanton Wilkes, M. I. Wheeler; Fritz the Dutch, b h by Worthwhile, C. R. June; Dolly Zombro, b m by Zombro, W. W. Whitney; Oro Lou, ch g by Kinney Lou, Hemet Stock Farm; Baxter Lou, ch g by Kinney Lou, L. B. Taylor; Santa Paula, b m by Silver Coin, Jas. Gill; Avetator, br h by Zombro, Marsh Thompson; Humpa Hill, b g by F. S. Turner, Jas. Stewart; Santa Fe, s g by Zolock, E. B. Courtwright.

2:09 Pace.

Walter C., b h by Carpus, Bert Reno; San Jacinto, b g by Geo. W. McKinney, G. D. Armstead; Della H., br m by Hal B., H. G. Smith; Vera Hal, b m by Expressive Mac, H. Cohen; White Sox, b m by Del Coronado, W. G. Durfee & Co.

2:14 Trot.

Annie Conn, b m by On Conn, Axel Nelson; Levia W., ch m by Peacock, Geo. E. Bunnell; Allie Lou, br f by Kinney Lou, Hemet Stock Farm; Danube, br g by Direcho, T. N. Goldsmith; Zolock Zar, br g by Zolock, Marsh Thompson; Guy Boy, br g by Guy Bellou, Mrs. Jas. Stewart; Larry K., b g by Larry Kinney, E. B. Courtwright; Virginia Barnette, b m Moko, W. G. Durfee & Co.

2:30 Trot.

Annie Conn, b m by On Conn, Axel Nelson; Levia W., s m by Peacock, Geo. E. Bunnell; Dark Streak, b g by Raymond, H. E. Webster; Caroline, b m by Robin, Leona Williams; Don de Lopez, b c by Kinney de Lopez, Hemet Stock Farm; Luana, b m by Kinney Lou, L. B. Taylor; Zombroso, br h by Larry Kinney, C. B. Courtwright; Guy Boy, br g by Guy Bellou, Mrs. Jas. Stewart; Larry K., b g by Guy Bellou, Mrs. Jas. Stewart; Maggie M., br m by Carlokin, C. H. Morgan; Oldfolks, b g by Del Coronado, W. G. Durfee & Co.; Allie Lou, br f by Kinney Lou, Hemet Stock Farm.

2:18 Pace.

Fritz the Dutch, b h by Worthwhile, C. R. June; Petty McKinney, b m by Petigru, G. D. Armstead; Alton S., ch g by Alton, H. G. Smith; Dolly Zombro, b m by Zombro, W. W. Whitney; Oro Lou, ch g by Kinney Lou, Hemet Stock Farm; Walter C., b h by Carpus, Bert Reno; Baxter Lou, ch g by Kinney Lou, L. B. Taylor; Santa Paula, b m by Silver Coin, Jas. Gill; Sunshine, b m by Longworth, A. J. Donnelly; Avetator, br h by Zombro, Marsh Thompson; Humpa Hill, b g by F. S. Turner, Jas. Stewart; Santa Fe, ch g by Zolock, E. B. Courtwright.

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Fritz the Dutch, b h by Worthwhile, C. R. June; Petty McKinney, b m by Petigru, G. D. Armstead; Alton S., s g by Alton, H. G. Smith; Dolly Zombro, b m by Zombro, W. W. Whitney; Sunshine, b m by Longworth, A. J. Donnelly; Walter C., b h by Carpus, Bert Reno.

2:10 Trot.

Danube, br g by Direcho, T. N. Goldsmith; Levia W., s m by Peacock, Geo. E. Bunnell; Allie Lou, br f by Kinney Lou, Hemet Stock Farm; Zolock Zar, br g by Zolock, Marsh Thompson; Larry K., b g by Larry Kinney, E. B. Courtwright; Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko, W. G. Durfee & Co.

ELIGIBLES IN LEXINGTON'S STAKES.

The Kentucky Futurity, for Three-year-old Trotters—Golden Axworthy, Allie Watts, Humfast, Bondella, Petress Burton, Native Spirit, Mary Putney, The Colorado Belle, The Exposer, Colorado Range, Sherley DeForest, Onward Forbes, The Royal Knight, Harvette, Don Marque, Peter Chenault, Henry Todd, Eudora Spier, Britton Forbes, Prinelda, Clenathan, Lady McKee, Rusticoat, Bacelli, Binland, Rose Watts and Deroche.

The Pacing Futrity, for Three-year-olds.—Arkancello, Sad Thoughts, Dorothy DeForest, Edith the Great, Miss Harris M., Richman, General Todd, Junior DeForest, Peter Worthy, and Lady Aubrey.

The Kentucky, for Three-year-old Trotters.—Captain Volo, Humfast, Allie Watts, Lillian the Great, General French, Peter Potemkin, Native Spirit, Northspur, Mary Putney, The Pierette, Bondella, Petress Burton, The Sunshine Girl, The Exposer, Isworthy McKinney, Ann Cecil, Colorado Range, Sherley DeForest, Deroche, The Royal Knight, Onward Forbes, Harlem Express, Harvette, Peter Belmont, Don Marque, Peter Chenault, Henry Todd, Eudora Spier, Prince Todd, Prinelda, Samoor, Luka A., Lady McKee, Clenathan, Rusticoat, Bacelli, George N. Patterson, Binland, Straight Sail, Lord Stout, Rose Watts.

The Futurity, for Two-year-old Trotters.—Nelly the Great, Directum Bingen, Suldine, Leading Spirit, Ollie Watts, David Rankin, Meja, Atlantika, BinaB., Walnut Tree, Helen E., Bingen Silk, Anvilite, Volga, and General Yorke.

The Lexington, for Two-year-old Trotters.—Good Gracious, Harrods Creek, Hermione B., Directum Bingen, Native Judge, Nelly the Great, Leading Spirit, Ollie Watts, Willow Tree, Oak Tree, David Rankin, Lady of the Clan, Meja, Atlantika, Helen Alicia, Mighty Robert, Revelry, Walnut Tree, Anvilite, Bingen Silk, Adele Block, Jack Mooney, Mike Axworthy, King Neb, Sis Bingen, Ashland Worthy, and Volga.

The Transylvania, 2:08 class, trotting.—Nominators (starters to be named Sept. 15), Beau Ideal Stock Farm, J. Crouch & Son, J. W. Davis, Agt., Deep Run Stock Farm, E. F. Geers, Hillanddale Farm, Samuel Harris, Dick McMahon, Thos. W. Murphy, Pastime Stable, V. L. Shuler, and E. J. Tranter.

The Castleton Cup, free-for-all class, trotting.—Joan, Margaret Druien, Etawah, Peter Volo, Peter Scott, Star Winter, May Mack, Lee Axworthy, Rhythmell and Ross B.

The Walnut Hall Cup, 2:12 class, trotting.—Belzona, Mawitza, Montferris, Linda Wrona, Worthy Prince, Alerta, The Guide, St. Frisco, Evelyn D., Axtien, Peter Scott, Sadie S., Great Isle, Mirthful, Adbell M., McCloskey, Princess Welcome, Loe Blossom, Nathan Axworthy, Dick Watts, Seneca Boy, Lou Jennings, Todd Temple and Lettie Lee.

The Ashland, 2:19 class, trotting.—Georgia's Prodigal, Lou Guy, Bora, Bida, Linda Wrona, Al Mack, Rala Hall, Willow Mack, Alerta, The Eno, The Guide, St. Frisco, Clifton, Lucy Reynolds, Bonnie Setzer, Peter Scott, Mary Guy, Laramie Lad, Ames Albington, Slip Past, Loe Blossom, Peter Vaughn, Tropic Dawn, Todd McGregor, Red Silk, Princess Margrace, Tommy Todd, Star Tramp and Harry Hamilton.

The Cumberland, 2:05 class, pacing.—Single G., Little Prince, Columbia Fire, Baron A., Del Rey, Ray Richmond, Our Colonel, Major Ong, Hal S., The Assessor, Jay Stone, Walnut Grove, Lelia Patchen, Beth Clark, Twinkling Dan, and Queen Abbess.

The Blue Grass, 2:10 class, pacing.—Homer Baughman, Lillian T., Camelia, Aconite, Russell Boy, Hal Conner, Presolite, Major Ong, Hal S., Peter Farren, Patrick M., Zanzibar, Pointer Patch, Miss Miriam, Hal Boy, Walnut Grove, The Beaver, Lustrous McKinney, The Importer, Graceful Ongale, Billy Law, Thistle Patch, Dwight Logan, Judge Ormonde, Altawood, Fred Mac, and Queen Abbess.

Oregon State Fair

Salem, Sept. 27.—Good weather and good attendance were features of opening day at the Oregon State Fair, though the racing was not fast or exceptionally sharp, as the track was not on edge by several seconds. Sea Waif annexed the slow trot without being forced to beat 2:30, and Delmas took the 2:10 pace in straight heats and slow time, the summaries being as follows:

Salem, Sept. 27.—3:00 trot, purse $300:

Sea Waif, b m by The King Red.....(McManus)	1	1	1
Edyth M., b m by R. Ambush.....(Keyt)	3	2	3
Salem Boy, b h by Zom Norte.....(Mauzey)	4	3	2
Honest Boy, b g by Palo King...(H. Hogoboom)	2	4	5
Zombronun, b m by Zombro.....(Merrill)	5	5	4

Time—2:31½, 2:32½, 2:36.

2:10 pace, purse $700:

Delmas, ch g by Dialect.....(Fidler)	1	1	1
Red Hal, b g by Hal B.....(Merrill)	2	2	2
Allerdaw, b g by Allertonian.....(W. Hogoboom)	4	4	3
Oro Mo, ch g by Demonio.....(Daniels)	3	3	ds

Time—2:19½, 2:22, 2:23½.

Sept. 28.—Things were a little merrier today at the fair grounds track, the 2:18 pacers getting organized to ramble miles under 2:10, the contest being a very pretty one. Potrero Boy, the big bay gelding that was the star of the North Yakima meeting, took the event in straight heats, driven out in the first by the other California entry, Contention B., and in the second and third by the Oregon mares, Lady Hal and Hal Edo, both by Hal B. Bonnie Ansel, with Charley Spencer up, straight-heated the 2:15 trotters in comfortable style, and Will Durfee's Helen Belle by Carlokin had small difficulty in winning the trotting division of the Oregon futurity, Ruth Ansel and Coos Bay dividing second and third money. The summary:

Sept. 28.—Oregon Futurity, three-year-old trotters, purse $2,000:

Helen Belle, b f by Carlokin.....(Durfee)	1	1	1
Ruth Ansel, b f by Prince Ansel.....(Dowling)	2	3	
Coos Bay, by McAlzo.....(Swisher)	3	2	

Time—2:27, 2:28.

2:15 trot, purse $700:

Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel....(Spencer)	1	1	1
Oaklandmore, b h by Oakland Baron..(Lindsay)	3	3	2
Sargo, b g by Keeler.....(W. Hogoboom)	6	2	3
Wild Girl, b m by Wilt Nutling.....(Keyt)	2	6	6
Eloise Dell, br m by Alconda Jay.....(Daniels)	5	4	4
Prince Seattle, br g by Stam B.....(Woodcock)	4	5	5

Time—2:15, 2:16, 2:16¼.

2:18 pace, purse $600:

Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio.....(Daniels)	1	1	1
Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro.....(Durfee)	2	4	3
Lady Hal, b m by Hal B.....(W. Hogoboom)	4	2	4
Hal Edo, b m by Hal B.....(Archer)	6	5	2
Hal Bear, b h by Hal B.....(Lindsay)	3	3	5

Time—2:09¼, 2:09¾, 3:11¼.

Sept. 29.—That Potrero Boy is one of the best pacers that has hit the northwest in a long, long time was pretty conclusively proven here today when, after having won a straight-heat race yesterday in excellent time, he repeated the performance today in time still faster, approaching within a second of the track record that has stood for several years. The average time for the two races is just slower than 2:08½, which is more than creditable. Glenrose, the bay mare that Charley Spencer leveled with at North Yakima for a mile close to 2:07, drove him out in 2:06¼, after which Henry Helman assumed the contender's place with Mack Fitzsimmons, carrying him the final miles in 2:07 and 2:08.

The pacing futurity also went to Daniels with the good colt Bondalean, but not without a struggle. Will Durfee took the first heat with the Copa de Oro colt, Rayon de Oro, in 2:09¾, and was a hot contender in the other two. Two new 2:10 pacers is a record for the stake, and the time was very much faster than usual.

Charley Guion and Floradora Z. headed the summary in the 2:30 trot, as has become a habit with them, but the Zombro mare didn't get all the winner's money, Novela, from the Stetson stable, taking the final heat in handy style. The details:

September 29.—Oregon Futurity, three-year-old pacers, purse $1,500:

Bondalean, b c by The Bondsman.....(Daniels)	2	1	1
Rayon de Oro, b c by Copa de Oro.....(Durfee)	1	2	2
Janice L. P., br f by Hal B.....(Kirkland)	3	3	3

Time—2:09¾, 2:10, 2:12¾.

2:30 trot, purse $500:

Floradora Z., b m by Zombro.....(Guion)	1	1	4
Novela, b m by Letrado.....(Stetson)	2	3	1
Perrico, b g by Shepherd Laddie.....(Lindsay)	3	4	2
Columbia T., b m by Bon Guy.....(Daniels)	4	2	3
The Bulletin, ch h by Palo King..(H. Hogoboom)	5	5	5

Time—2:15, 2:15, 2:16¾.

2:08 pace, purse $2,000:

Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio.....(Daniels)	1	1	1
Mack Fitzsimmons, ch g by Bob Fitzsimmons...			
.....(Helman)	3	2	2
Glenrose, b m by Beaumont.....(Lang)	2	3	5
Francis J., b h by The Patchen Boy.....(Grant)	4	5	3
Delmas, ch g by Dialect.....(Wilbourne)	5	7	4

Scarlet Trent and Haltamont also started.

Time—2:06¼, 2:07, 2:08.

DEATH OF HAMBURG.

News was received in Lexington last Saturday of the death of Hamburg, the peerless racehorse and sire, at Brookdale Farm, near Red Bank, N. J. In the passing of Hamburg, the breeding interest of America loses a sire of rare value and quality, for although he was twenty years old, it had been hoped that he might live to further enrich the thoroughbred strains of this country for several years to come.

His fame as a racehorse in his day was world-wide, and since his retirement to the stud he has produced not only good racehorses, but some of the most highly prized matrons of the turf.

Mr. W. L. Powers, who purchased Hamburg from Mr. John E. Madden in 1897 for $40,000 for the late Mr. Marcus Daly, pays Hamburg the following tribute in a letter to The Record:

New York, Sept. 11, 1915.

Editor Thoroughbred Record:

The announcement in today's papers of the death of Hamburg at the Brookdale Stud in New Jersey will be read with interest everywhere as he was one of the greatest racehorses the world has ever known, and so a few facts concerning him may not be amiss.

Hamburg was bred by the late James E. Kittson, who subsequently sold the mare Lady Reel to C. J. Enright, and it was on his Elmendorf Farm that the famous brown colt by Hanover first saw the light on April 19, 1895. Mr. Enright kept him until the autumn of that year when he was a weanling and then sold him to John E. Madden, through his friend the late Gus Straus, for about $800. Hamburg was broken before he was a year old and was trained by Charlie Patterson until the end of his brilliant two-year-old form, when in December, 1897, the writer, acting for the late Marcus Daly, purchased him from Mr. Madden for $40,000 and sent Billy Lakeland to Louisville to get the horse and bring him back to his training establishment at Brighton Beach. It was in the following year, 1898, that he won the Realization and the Brighton Cup in Mr. Daly's colors and in August of that year he was sent to Montana and retired to the stud, making his first season in 1899.

The unfortunate death of Mr. Daly in November, 1900, caused the dispersal of his Bitter Root Stud, the best in America, and on January 30, 1901, Hamburg was sold to the late William C. Whitney, Mr. Madden acting for Mr. Whitney at the time of the sale, the late James B. Haggin being the last contending bidder. It was on this same night that a cable order to buy him for $50,000 was received from Sir Ernest Cassel, which shows that the horse was wanted in England at that time. He was then sent to the La Belle Stud in Kentucky, where he remained until after the death of Mr. Whitney in 1904, an, on October 10th of that year, he was again sold in the Madison Square Garden for $70,000 by the estate, to Harry Payne Whitney, whose property he remained until the time of his death.

Miss Hamburg, the dam of Emden, was his first-born, and Mamari his first winner. Biturica, the dam of Maskette, was also of this same year.

The next season came Inflexible, Leonidas and Hamburg Belle, and the following year the peerless Artful forever made him famous as a sire. Later on came Burgomaster and Borrow, but like Lexington, it is through his daughters that Hamburg is destined to be best known.

Many are still familiar with his racing career and it is a matter of record that he could carry weight and run any distance. It is sufficient to say that he had few equals and no superiors, and, as he was a horse of great constitution and fine temper, it is probable that his fame will survive so long as the American Stud Book is published.

W. L. POWERS.

The following, in a nutshell, is the turf record of Hamburg, winner of the Great Trial, Double Event, Great Eastern Handicap, Realization Stakes, Brighton Cup, etc.:

Age.	Starts.	Wins.	2d.	3d.	Unp.	Amt.
2	16	12	3	1	0	$42,100
3	5	4	0	1	0	22,425
Total—	21	16	3	2	0	$64,525

Hamburg is a descendant in the male line of Herod. His sire, Hanover, was the champion of his day, winner of thirty-two races up to five years of age of the value of $120,912. Hanover was the premier sire of America for four years—1895, '96, '97 and '98—having 179 winners of 573 races, worth $434,725, in the above mentioned years.

In the female line Hamburg belongs to the great Dance family. His dam, Lady Reel (half-sister to Domina), is by the high-class race horse Fellowcraft, the first to lower the four-mile record of Lexington, which had stood unapproached for many years.

Hamburg's tabulated pedigree follows:

Hamburg, Br h, 1895:
- Hanover
  - Hindoo
    - Virgil
    - Florence
  - Bourbon Belle
    - Bonnie Scotland
    - Ella D.
- Lady Reel
  - Fellowcraft
    - Australian
    - Aerolite
  - Mannie Grey
    - Enquirer
    - Lizzy G.

Lady Reel (Hamburg's dam) was purchased by Col. Milton Young as soon as her racing days were over, and on January 6, 1894, she was sold to J. E. Kittson (who rented Fairlawn Farm near Lexington) along with thirteen other mares and three yearlings for $14,000. A consideration of the sale was that Mr. Young was to allow Mr. Kittson to breed the coming season to any of his stallions should any of these mares prove not in foal or have a dead foal. Lady Reel that year had a dead foal, so Mr. Kittson sent her to Hanover, the result of the mating being Hamburg.

Mr. Kittson sold the mare, in foal, to C. J. Enright, then proprietor of Elmendorf Stock Farm, and here Hamburg was foaled as the property of Mr. Enright. Mr. Enright later sold Lady Reel to Captain Sam Brown, of Christiansburg, Ky., who in turn sold he to Marcus Daly.

Hamburg was the premier sire of America in 19(with thirty winners of sixty races, worth $158,16. This year, up to the end of August, he is well up o the leading stallion list with thirteen winners of si teen races and $30,982.

The racing seasons of 1914 and 1915 have bee marked by the astonishing success of the produce c mares by Hamburg. Regret, the smartest two-yea old of last season and the winner of the Kentuck Derby this year, and Thunderer, winner of the Futu rity the other day, are from the Hamburg mare Je sey Lightning. Jersey Lightning's dam was Dais F., a daughter of Modesty. Chicle, winner of th Champagne Stakes, is a son of Spearmint (an Eng lish Derby winner) and Lady Hamburg II., a daugh ter of Hamburg and Lady Frivoles, she a daughter o St. Simon. Chicle was bred in England. His dam Lady Hamburg II., raced successfully under Mr Whitney's colors as the "Hamburg—Lady Frivole filly."

Emden, which Mr. Whitney declares is the fastes two-year-old he brought up from Brookdale in the spring, is a son of Broomstick and the Hamburg mare Miss Hamburg. Miss Hamburg was a daughte of Hamburg and The Task. The Task, a daughter o Barcaldine, was the mother of Sain, sire of Jack At kin and Nealon. Emden struck an ankle and lame himself in a race at Aqueduct and is out of the run ning until next season. But Mr. Whitney predicts that he will train on into a first-class distance run ning three-year-old.

Adroit is a daughter of Broomstick and Artful, she a daughter of Hamburg and Martha II. Artful was probably the greatest race mare the American turf has seen. She defeated Tradition and Sysonby in the Futurity of 1904, and afterward stepped three quarters of a mile over the Morris Park straightaway in the amazing time of 1:08 flat under the staggering burden of 130 pounds. Sam Slick and Paintbrush were Artful's most creditable contributions to racing ahead of Adroit. Adroit seems to be her best yet. She is a beautifully turned filly, and she galloped three-quarters of a mile in 1:09 recently. That is the best time made over the Belmont Park straightaway this season, and only a second slower than Artful's Morris Park record.

One of the cleverest two-year-olds in Canada last season was King Hamburg, a son of Hamburg Belle, a Futurity winner. Barnegat, another horse, better known in Canada than in the United States, is another son of the prolific Jersey Lightning. Queen of Hearts, a full sister of Artful, had Tarts and Trumps racing for her last season and the season before.

Gifford Cochran has still another corking good Hamburg mare in Adriana. She, a daughter of the Darebin mare Kildeer, which came into prominence last year as the dam of Coquette. Coquette was a first rate filly in a season that will long be remembered for its good fillies.

This year, Adriana is creditably represented by Celandria, a stake winner and as good a filly at least as Coquette. Celandria, which is most stoutly built, was right there in the Futurity. Cochran bought Adriana from A. B. Hancock.

It is probable that in the crops of two-year-olds yet to come from Brookdale there may be another great Hamburg horse or so. Mr. Whitney bred his best English mares to this son of Hanover this year, last year and the year before.—Thoroughbred Record.

Eighth Day at Columbus.

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Gregor and Wilkes Brewer also started.

Time—2:10¼, 2:12¼, 2:08½, 2:10¼, 2:12¼.

Horseman Futurity, three-year-old trotters, purse $10,000:

Mary Putney, b f by San Francisco..(McMahon)	6	1	1
Humfast, b f by Trampfast.....(Murphy)	1	2	7
Colorado Range, b c by Colorado E..(McDonald)	2	5	2

Native Spirit, Bacelli, Allie Watts, Henry Todd, Bondella, Florence White, The Colorado Belle, The Royal Knight and Prinelda also started.

Time—2:09¾, 2:07¾, 2:08½.

Arch City, 2:10 pace, purse $3,000 (unfinished):

Judge Ormonde, bl h by Ormonde (Valentine)	7	1	1	2
Russell Boy, b h by Rustic Patenter...(Geers)	2	4	2	1
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.....(McMahon)	1	2	3	6

The Beaver, Queen Abbess and Peter Farren also started.

Time—2:03½, 2:03¼, 2:02½, 2:04¾.

2:13 pace, purse $1,200 (unfinished):

Dwight Logan, br h by Bert Logan....(Valentine)	1	1	
Grace D., ch m by Anderson Wilkes.....(Lane)	2	6	
Tramp a Bit, ro h by Trampfast.....(Jamison)	7	2	

Ross Keith, Camelia, Pauline Hilda, Gilbert M. and Admiral Dewey II. also started.

Time—2:06¼, 2:05½.

To beat 2:04¼ trotting:

Margaret Druien, b m by Peter the Great....(Cox) won

Time—:30¼, 1:01¼, 1:32, 2:03½.

"MORE NECESSARY THAN OATS."

Mr. L. B. Wadleigh of Pierre, S. Dak., writes on March 8, 1915: "I am quite extensively engaged in raising horses, having at the present time over two hundred and for this class of horses, were I obliged to discontinue the use of oats, for which I can easily find a substitute, or the use of Absorbine, for which with twenty years' experience I have been unable to find a substitute, I most certainly would discard the former and retain the latter."

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NOTES and NEWS

Bondalean (3) 2:10.
Rayon de Oro (3) 2:09¾.
Both records in the same race.
These are new figures for the Oregon Futurity.
Looks like the colt pacers at the exposition would be great contests.

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The Oregon State Fair is in full blast.

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Riverside occupies the limelight next week with her district fair.

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The Proof, driven by Henry Thomas, was once second and once third during the week at Sedalia, Mo.

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Mary Putney "did it again" this week at Columbus, this time in the Horseman stake, reducing her record to 2:07¾.

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Don't forget that Woodland Sale. A number of aristocratic matrons will be added to the offerings in next week's announcement.

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Bonnie Ansel, the big Prince Ansel mare in Charley Spencer's string, has been performing nicely up north and crowed the ten mark at North Yakima.

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In six days the Grand Circuiters made hay while the sun shone at Columbus, and on the seventh—what's the use. You guessed right the first time.

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Bonnie Ansel, Teddy Bear, Potrero Boy, Delmas and Floradora Z., all consistent performers on the North Pacific circuit, have been winners this week at Salem.

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Potrero Boy now carries a winrace record of 2:06¾. Potrero Girl is a real producer of pacing speed, as Airlie Demonio and Potrero Boy are both better than 2:05 performers.

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Teddy Bear put the track record at Walla Walla at 2:09¼, two seconds faster than the old figure, doing the task so nicely that some of those present think him up to a mile in 2:05 before the season closes.

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Clarence Wilkes 2:28¼ secures his first performer this year—William G. 2:12½, the chestnut gelding trained and raced by Will Duncan of Colusa. The record is not a winrace, and the horse is better than a 2:10 pacer by a good margin.

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The California stables haven't been at all backward about winning money on the North Pacific circuit, but they don't get all of it by any means. Some of those northwestern cayuses are wolves in their own right and do not hesitate to howl.

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As per usual, William Gee Durfee speared the trotting division of the Oregon futurity, this time with another Carlokin, Ruth Ansel by Prince Ansel dividing second and third money with the Oregon youngster, Coos Bay, in George Swisher's stable.

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Walla Walla got the best of the "break" from Spokane in the matter of horses for the fair races, the swifter birds patronizing the former city. Could they have avoided the same week for their events, both would have benefitted greatly, as practically all stables would have made both points.

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Jack Dinue arrived back in San Francisco this week after a trip north, having gone to Spokane to fulfill his old position as starter for the running races at the interstate fair, where he has been a "fixture" for several years. Jack reports good racing at the inland empire city and a successful fair, with promise of future improvement, which is welcome news.

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A message from C. L. DeRyder states that the Pleasanton futurities will be raced at Pleasanton Driving Park During the week following the Arizona State Fair, which would place the date sometime between November 22 and 27, the exact time to be announced shortly. As all the other colt stakes customarily given at different points in California are scheduled to take place during the exposition meeting, the plan adopted for staging the Pleasanton stake will give the horsemen a chance to freshen up their youngsters, as well as to take in the Phoenix meeting with their older campaigners.

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Henry Helman had a jolt of hard luck when Prince Zolock was taken sick enroute from Walla Walla to North Yakima, the fast son of Zolock not being able to start in his early engagements. On getaway day Henry turned him around in the first heat of the 2:18 pace for a good mile in 2:06½, but on the advice of a number of vets the judges allowed the horse to be drawn. As the races were on the every heat a race system, Henry drew down shipping money whereas under the old plan he would have had no money from the purse—nothing but a record. Had the horse been O. K. the race would have been "pickings" for him, from all appearances.

The exposition horse shows began Thursday.

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The dopesters have figured out that Ed Geers, in the course of his career in the sulky, has won over a million dollars in stakes and purses. The only regrettable feature is that a crooked banker cost Ed the major portion of the several thousand dollars that represented the savings from his personal share of his winnings. At that, the G. O. M. seems perfectly competent to lay up another stake before he quits riding behind 'em.

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Will DeRyder did not go to Columbus, but expected to start for home today from Peoria. Dicto and Spriggan have both been in excellent form for some weeks and as the latter is entered in the big trotting stake here next month William decided to call a good thing plenty and come on back to Pleasanton and get shaped up for the season's closing days. Several other horses will probably make the trip with his shipment.

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White Sox and Virginia Barnette, the stars of the Durfee stable, appear in company next week at Riverside for the first time since the close of the spring meeting at the exposition. The management at Riverside is certainly to be congratulated on securing W. G.'s presence with his stable, as the gate receipts will be swelled noticeably thereby. The race between White Sox, San Jacinto and Vera Hal ought to be worth a long journey to see, and all the events promise fine sport.

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Walter B. Jennings, for many years one of California's most devoted followers of thoroughbred racing and a winner on almost every track of prominence in this country, has decided to get back in the game actively and with the intention of getting the best youngsters possible to re-introduce his colors is enroute to England to attend the yearling sales at Newmarket. He not only expects to procure some future winners for himself but also carries "open orders" for the purchase of a number for other western breeders.

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Walter Palmer, one of the best known horsemen in the country, arrived in the city this week to assume his duties as judge at the P.-P. I. E. horse shows, which began Thursday under most pleasing circumstances. Entries in the standard bred class were light in number, but Mr. Palmer expressed gratification over the individual qualities of the contesting animals, as well as over the excellence of their blood lines. Owing to the fact that our forms are largely made up by Thursday evening the list of awards and account of the show were of necessity carried over until next week.

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Horsemen who have surplus stock to sell or who wish to add to their present holdings will be greatly interested in the announcement appearing on our first advertising page, to the effect that Charles L. DeRyder will hold his fall sale in this city during the time in which the exposition race meeting is in progress, the exact date and location of the event to be made known shortly through this paper. Mr. DeRyder has for the several seasons last passed conducted the most successful sales of light harness horses held in California, and has taken advantage of an exceptionally favorable opportunity for the staging of this one. As a rule, only our "home buyers" have been patrons of our trotting sales of late, but horsemen from far and near will be gathered here during the P.-P. I. E. meeting, so that bidders should be much more numerous than usual. The sale will be headed by extensive offerings from the MacKenzie establishment, all of exceptional quality, and high class consignments are solicited from all quarters subject to Mr. DeRyder's customary terms and guarantees of service. Persons wishing to send horses to this sale should act promptly in order to secure full advantage of advertising, and while Mr. DeRyder will not arrive home from the big line for a few days, all communications addressed to him at Pleasanton will receive prompt attention.

KEEPING UP WITH LIZZIE.

Time was when the farmer's girl and the farmer's wife were supposed to do the cooking, tend to the house and do the milking and the washing and mending, and this was their daily grind three hundred and sixty-five days in the year. With the organization of canning clubs, hog and poultry clubs and the work of the girls' industrial colleges life on the farm for women folks, and especially for the girls, is becoming more profitable and pleasant. Discussing the new country girl, Farming Business has this to say:

The country girl has arrived. She is the new woman on the farm, and she is putting new life into the farm. It was the boys' and girls' clubs that brought her out. There was a day when Lizzie was a pale, spindling affair that sat in the hammock and read Laura Jean Libby and pined for the hero to arrive in the shape of a prince. She din't bother with the dishes and the chickens, because mother wanted her to have opportunities that she had not enjoyed and that neighboring girls would not get. Lizzie was a little bit better than the rest of the family, and she was early groomed for her place in society that she was to inherit when the prince claimed his own. The clodhopper boys of the neighborhood were shooed away from the fair one, because she was not for such a boy as they. Father mortgaged the farm and gave up the idea of buying shoats with family trees when mother decided to ship the child to Boston for a finishing. It was mother's finish when the news leaked out that Elizabeth had crossed her wires and eloped with a soda fountain assistant. Lizzie's training wasn't there when it came to doing the dishes and mixing biscuits.

The new Lizzie that has come onto the scene with the boys' and girls' clubs has put some snap into the old farm. She has taken a little patch of dirt in the corner of the garden and fed the family and made over a hundred dollars for herself in one season simply by reading three or four dingy little bulletins from Uncle Sam and running around to canning bees with the other girls. She has started mother to putting up more fruit in an easy way and so she can give the family better food with smaller grocery bills and a desire to do something bigger themselves. She has put business in the kitchen and shown her mother how to make the garden go farther by following science, sowing pure bred seed of standard varieties and keeping books. She won trips to Washington where she met congressmen and the president. Besides, she won numerous cash and utility prizes. She didn't wheedle father out of pin money to buy pink parasols; she got out in the garden and fought the rag weeds and the cutworms to a standstill with a checkered sunbonnet to ward off the rays of the sun, and she earned money enough to go to college. Lizzie isn't picking out any finishing schools either. She is going to the state agricultural college as soon as she can get through high school, and she intends to finish making over the farm into a business proposition when she gets back and gets her brothers and sisters imbued with the idea of business on the farm. Lizzie is a business proposition these days, and she is sticking to the farm and picking out the kind of a hero that will be able to help make good on a quarter section when she decides to break home ties.—Texas Stockman and Farmer.

SADDLE HORSE QUALITIES AS VIEWED BY MR. RAILEY.

Charles Elmer Railey of Lexington, Ky., who is the judge of saddle horses at the horse show of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition now in progress, is recognized as being one of the ablest experts on saddle horses in America. A resident of Kentucky, the state famed for its fine horses, he has been brought up from childhood among some of the finest riding animals in the country.

He has ideas of his own regarding the merits or demerits of a horse, and regarding the proper means of judging them.

In a recent announcement made by him to the exhibitors and riders at the exposition show, after urging harmony between the exhibitors, riders and judge, he said, in part:

"Personally, I do not think the speed of the show horse need be limited, provided he is not forced to such speed as will cause the performer to hop, pace behind or in any way lose the purity of his gaits.

"The majority of riders are prone to play to the gallery, to get the applause of the multitude—in which not one in a thousand knows what the class calls for or whether the horse is performing correctly or incorrectly. They see the horse tearing around the ring at a great rate of speed and it thrills them. They do not see the unsteadiness, the faulty, unbalanced gaits, the pulling and the hogging on the bit. Then, when the judge turns down this champion of the crowd, he is severely criticized. So, after all, the American Saddle Breders' Association rule of twelve miles an hour is a good one and if adhered to there would be less of incorrect, impure gaits in the five-gaited saddle horse.

" However, if any entry comes before me with absolutely pure gaits, he will receive credit for speed, if that speed does not cause a faulty performance.

"The American saddle horse is a distinct breed, and has beauty, intelligence, usefulness and similarity of type. While he is useful in various ways, he is primarily a saddle horse, a pleasure horse, a tonic for brain and body. He must have beauty, carry himself in a proud way, must have a light mouth and pure gaits and a certain amount of speed.

"Failing in these requisites, you will find that he bores or pulls on the bit, which will make him unsteady, unbalanced, strung out, and hop or pace or all. Such a horse will receive no consideration.

"I wish to impress on you that the awards will be made absolutely on the performance at the time. If the winner should meet the contenders again, I will judge him as though I had never seen him before and he must fairly beat his field again.

"Past performances, reputations from press or high prices paid, or the applause of the crowd will have no bearing on my decision.

"My usual method of judging is to allow the exhibitors, when they first come into the ring, to go as they please for a few minutes, or until their mounts have settled and are over the excitement of entering the arena. Then a line up and an individual test.

"Your mounts will receive credit for purity of gaits, for speed, for form, for brilliancy, for balance, for lightness of the mouth, for beauty, for manners, for soundness. The saddle horse is not a racing horse. Speed is all right if you can combine it with form and purity of gaits.

"You will get a fair deal and I hope you will help me in every way possible."

"JOE" WING CROSSES THE LAST DIVIDE.

Into thousands of farms and ranches in this country as well as abroad the news of the recent death of "Joe" Wing of the Breeder's Gazette was received as would have been the tidings of the death of a close and valued friend, for few if any writers upon agriculture and stock raising enjoyed a wider personal acquaintance or were held in higher esteem. His opinion on any subject bore weight, for he knew what he was talking about every time he had an utterance to make. He was intensely "human," an almost ideal American, optimistic, enthusiastic, and always practical. His teachings have meant money and more of it in the lines to the uplifting and furthering of which his life was devoted, and the scope of his knowledge was world-wide. The following sketch is taken from the current number of the journal which he served so faithfully and well:

"Joseph E. Wing was born in Hinsdale, N. Y., Sept. 14, 1861, and was buried the day before he was 54 years old. His parents brought him to Mechanicsburg, O., when he was six years old, and his father located on the land which Mr. Wing subsequently brought to international fame under the name of Woodland Farm. He was educated in the local country school and the village high school, and later in an academy in New York state. He worked on his father's farm, except for about one year which he spent in northern Florida, until in March, 1886, when he went west and worked for a time in the mines of Utah and California. Then he sought employment on the Range Valley Ranch in Utah, of which he finally became foreman and part owner.

"In 1889 he was requested by his father to return home and help with the conduct of the old farm. From that time he has been associated with his brothers Willis O. and Charles B. in the management of the original Wing farm, which has been materially enlarged in acreage and has won national renown in its production of alfalfa and seed grains, and in the feeding of lambs.

"As a boy Mr. Wing manifested a decided literary gift, inherited from his mother, who survives him at the age of eighty years, but in such feeble health that the fact of her son's death was not made known to her. This literary gift young "Joe" early exercised through the local papers, with a strong tinge of the humorous. Later he became a correspondent of farm papers, and his communications appear in "The Country Gentleman" and "The Ohio Farmer" of more than 20 years ago. Mr. Wing's connection with The Gazette dates back to June 10, 1896, when his first communication appeared on the subject of alfalfa in Ohio. He developed such a genius in presenting the facts of farm life, and was so earnest and successful in his advocacy of alfalfa culture, that he was encouraged in his work for this journal. Some time later he was invited to enter into an arrangement whereby his writings would appear exclusively in The Gazette, and this engagement continued until his death. Later Mr. Wing began visiting farms in different sections throughout the country as the traveling correspondent of The Gazette and for a while before his death he bore the relation of the editorial correspondent to this journal.

"In its service he has made two journeys abroad, studying foreign agriculture and stock-breeding. Later he spent some months in South America gathering facts and figures of the wool industry for the tariff commission appointed by President Taft.

"Mr. Wing was a voluminous writer, displaying a wide range of information and a versatility of style which has commanded for him the admiration and affection of many thousands of farmers. In addition to his contributions, answers to inquiries, stories and editorials in this journal, he wrote for The Gazette press the following books: "Sheep Farming in America,' 'Alfalfa in America,' 'Meadows and Pastures,' and 'In Foreign Fields.'

"In Utah Mr. Wing became acquainted with the value of the alfalfa plant, and introduced it successfully in Ohio. He was the foremost advocate of alfalfa growing in America and its closest student. Through this journal and his book he contributed more than any other agency to the development of this profitable farm crop. His barn-building and farm-building work was among the most valuable of his services to agriculture. The joist frame form of barn construction was brought into such favor by his advocacy of it that it is widely termed the Wing joist-frame barn. His study of the use of cement on the farm led him into counsels which have added much in the cause of permanent farm equipment. His advocacy of lime for the sweetening of acid soils helped materially in the quiet revolution in American agriculture which has brought lime back to its proper place in farm practice.

"While devoting much of his genius as a teacher to the material affairs of the farm, Mr. Wing was ever mindful of the higher plane on which human life should rest. A poet by nature, he was yet a builder. He built the material and also the immaterial, contributing largely to that uplift which has raised modern farm life to a higher level than ever before attained. The things worth while in life were ever in mind, and he was eager to give others the glimpses of the higher life which he caught from the mountain tops. He was an optimist by nature, and preached the gospel of sunshine. Under his magic pen the common affairs of farm life took on a touch of the romantic. He was a nature-lover, and taught his love persuasively and successfully.

"In addition to Mr. Wing's work for The Gazette he had two distinct lines of personal employment wholly independent of this journal. He was in wide demand of late years as a lecturer at farmers' institutes and conventions and at agricultural colleges, and he devoted much of his time and strength to platform work. For some years also Mr. Wing was called to many sections by individuals, land-developing syndicates and railroads as an expert adviser in soils and the development of farm lands, especially as regards alfalfa culture. The extensive opportunity for observation and study gained in work for this journal qualified him for service in this capacity, and he won a fine reputation as an adviser.

"Mr. Wing's death was believed to be caused by that mysterious southern-country disease known as pellagra. He may have contracted it when in South America, or on one of his numerous southern trips in this country. For some years he believed himself tuberculous. His initial move to Utah was with a view to combating that condition. Of recent years when in failing health he thought that disease had claimed him as a victim. At a famous sanitarium, where he sought treatment last year, pellagra was diagnosed as the possible trouble, but so little is known of that disease in this country that only at the last were the symptoms such as to lead to a diagnosis which the doctors thought conclusive. Even then one important symptom of the disease was lacking."

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN.

Sept. 14.—2:25 pace, purse $1,000:
Sadie Densmore, ch f by Don Densmore.....
.....(H. Thomas) 1 1 1
Madam Mac, br m by Expressive Mac(C. DeRyder)2 3 2
Baron Watts, b c (4) by General Watts.....
.....(T. Anderson) 4 2 3
H. N. Gentry, b g by Lord Gentry.....(Miller) 3 5 4
Billy Law (Squires), 6-6-5; Martha A. (Porter), 4-5-ds.; Swamp Maiden (Elliott), and Purefast (Wishart), dis.
Time—2:07½, 2:09¾, 2:09¼.

2:09 trot, purse $1,000:
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney (W. DeRyder) 1 1 1
Governor Mason, b h by Major Mason..... 2 2 2
Lucy Patchen, b m by The Patchen Boy (Taylor) 6 3 3
Frank L., b g by Calhoun.....(Richards) 3 4 5
Mightellion (Holmes), 4-5-4; Clipper, Jr. (T. Anderson), 5-dis.
Time—2:10¼, 2:08¾, 2:12.

Sept. 16.—2:06 pace, stake $2,000:
Little Prince, br h by George Muscovite (Ames) 1 1 1
Fred Russell, b g by Little Frank.....(Hersey) 2 2 2
Auto Zombro, b h by Zombro.....(Loomis) 4 3 3
College Gent, bl h by Kentucky Patterson(Barnes) 3 6 5
Miss New Sure (Whitney), 7-4-4; J. W. Wilkerson (Simmons), 6-5-6; Direct Gentry (McMillen), 5-7-7; The Climax (Brennan), 8-8-8.
Time—2:05¼, 2:04¼, 2:08¾.

Two heats Sept 14.
Three-year-old trot, purse $800:
Humfast, b f by Trampfast.....(Wishart) 1 1
George N. Patterson, b c by On Voyage.....
.....(Rutherford) 2 2
Red Bingel, b c by Paronhurst.....(Anderson) 4 3
Jerry, b g by Stately.....(Faunce) 3 4
Susie Zombro, b f by Zombro.....(Beveridge) 6 5
Barsac, b c by Bingara.....(Palmer) 5 6
Time—2:16, 2:15½.

2:21 trot, purse $1,000:
The Proof, br h by The Exponent (H. Thomas) 1 1 2 1
Zomblack, bl h by Zombro....(C. L. DeRyder) 3 4 1 2
Celia Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon (Hamilton) 2 2 3 3
Colonel H., b g by Constenaro.....(Ganoung) 6 3 5 5
Whisprite, ch m by Gentry Allerton..(Holmes) 4 6 4 4
Baroness Aquilin (Palin), 5-5-dis.; McMahan (Ames), and Tramp Home (Ross), dis.
Time—2:14¼, 2:17, 2:17¾, 2:17½.

2:13 pace, purse $3,000:
Lillian T., bl m by Roy Patchen.....(L. Wilson) 1 1 1
King Dillard, ch h by Hal Dillard... ..(Martin) 3 2 4
Fred Mack, br g by John Kittering....(Glasscock) 2 8 3
Strathtell, b h by Motell.....(Barnes) 4 4 3
Peter Nash, br c (4) by Peter the Great (Loomis) 6 3 8
Grant More (Doly), 5-7-5; Imbro (Meeker), 8-5-6; The Counterpart (Foote), 7-6-7.
Time—2:10¾, 2:09½, 2:12.

To beat 2:10¼, pacing, under saddle, purse $——.
George Gano, b h by Gambetta Wilkes..(Anderson) 2:14

2:16 trot, purse $1,000:
Eva Bahur, br m by Marvel Bahur.....(Fenelon) 1 1 1
Judge Jones, b g by Prodigal.....(Moorehead) 7 4 2
Irving Heart, b h by Great Heart.....(Buckbee) 2 8 4
Cacus Star, b h by Red Medium.....(Hall) 8 2 6
Baron Bates, br h by Baron Wilkes, Jr (Chandler) 6 3 3
Gay Patch (Anderson), 4-5-5; Red Band (Peltier), 3-6-dis.; Major Wilson (Brennan), 5-7-dis.
Time—2:14¼, 2:15¼, 2:17¾.

Sept. 17.—2:17 pace, purse $1,000:
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium (W. DeRyder) 1 1 1
Admiral Dewey II., bl h by Admiral Dewey....
.....(M. Wilson) 2 2 2
Dickey G., br h by Jerry G.....(Goodall) 4 3 3
Miss Patsy, b m by Oratorio.....(Palin) 3 4 6
Josephine Empress, b m by Red Medium(Fenelon) 5 5 4
Maxie C. (Ross), 6-6-5.
Time—2:10¾, 2:09¾, 2:11.

2:18 trot, purse $1,000:
Princess Margrave, ro m by Margrave(Hall)4 3 1 1 1
Royal Hall, bl c (4) by Royal Reaper....
.....(Fleming) 1 1 2 2 4
Miss Pinkerton, b f (4) by Mister Pinkerton
.....(Toylar) 2 2 3 4 3
Myra McGregor, br m by Jay McGregor...
.....(Knowlton) 3 4 4 3 2
Elwood C. (Gorsline), 5-5-dis.
Time—2:11¼, 2:12¼, 2:11¼, 2:12¼, 2:14¾.

2:09 pace, purse $1,000:
Hal Mapes, br g by Direct Hal.....(Loomis) 3 1 1 1
Tommy D., b g by Tommy the Irish Boy..
.....(Glasscock) 1 2 3 4
J. L. Mac, b h by E. J.....(L. Wilson) 5 3 2 2
Mischief, b g by General Forrest.....(Haag) 2 6 6 5
Society Leader, b h by Don Corbett...(Smith) 8 4 4 3
Prince Verton (Taylor), 4-5-5-6; Liberty Patch (Anderson), 7-7-7-7; Earl A. (Gorsline), 6-8-9-dr.; Manager H. Hawley), 9-9-8-dr.; Hal Carr (Sterneman), 10-dis.
Time—2:08¼, 2:09¼, 2:08½, 2:10.

Match pace, purse $3,000:
Walter Cochato, bl h by Cochato.....(Hersey) 2 1 1
Flower Direct, b m by Direct's Star....(Taylor) 1 2 3
Braden Direct, bl h by Baron Direct.....(Egan) 3 3 2
Time—2:05¼, 2:05½, 2:05.

To beat 2:10¼, pacing, under saddle; purse $——.
George Gano, b h by Gambetta Wilkes (Anderson) 2:13¼

2:12 trot, stake $1,000:
Slip Past, b m by E. M. R.....(Taylor) 3 1 1 8 2
Bertha Carey, br m by Zombro.....
.....(C. L. DeRyder) 8 10 9 1
Evelyn D., ch m by Sidney Dillon (Hall) 1 3 8 3
Abu Taleb, b g by George A. Fuller (Loomis)2 2 2 5
Lou Jennings, br m by Todd.....(Brennan) 9 4 5 2
Princess Welcome (McLaughlin), 10-6-7-4-5; Barney Gibbs (Myers), 4-9-10-7-dis.; Alice Arion (McQuaig), 6-7-3-6-dr.; Madden (Green and Dyer), 7-5-4-dis.; Italian Andrey (Thomas), 5-8-6-dr.
Time—2:09¼, 2:09¾, 2:10½, 2:12¼, 2:12¾.

2:20 pace, purse $1,000:
Dexter Direct, br h by Baron Direct..(Egan) 7 1 2
The Savoy, br g by Charley Hayt.....
.....(Van Valkenburg) 4 2 1
Madam Mack, br m by Expressive Mac.....
.....(C. L. DeRyder) 2 8 3
Sir Conan Doyle, b g by Wetwood.....(Dyer) 3 4 6
The Yogi, b h by Harry McKerron.....(Palin) 8 5 5
Pat Burns (Ross), 9-6-4-5; The Exchange, br h by Governor D. R. Francis—Rilma Strong, by Governo Strong (Foote), 1-3-8-dis.; Little Rapids (Taylor), 6-7-7 dr.; Minnequa Princess (Thomas), 5-dis.; Elvadine (Sterneman), dis.
Time—2:08¼, 2:10¼, 2:10½, 2:10¼.

SPOKANE INTERSTATE FAIR.

Spokane, Sept. 18.—With paid admissions for the week aggregating nearly $35,000, the Interstate Fair which closed today proved not only self-sustaining but slightly profitable, in welcome contrast to the situation developing last season when a large deficit had to be made good. The exhibits in all departments were generous in number and exceptionally high in quality, the Inland Empire being unsurpassed by any section of the northwest in the excellence of its live-stock and the products of its fields and orchards. Special features added to the attractiveness of the daily programs, and good crowds found their way into the grandstand to applaud the races, both to harness and under saddle, the latter being the most numerous. The harness races were sharp and in one or two instances fairly fast, Bitter Root Rose trotting within a quarter of a second of the track record for that gait. The summaries follow:

Spokane, Sept. 16.—2:25 trot, purse $750:
Floradora Z., b m by Zombro.....(Guion) 1 1 2
Hallie B., b m by Hal B.....(Swisher) 2 3 1
Amy McKinney, bl m by McKinney..(Wilbourne) 3 2 3
Time—2:21¼, 2:19¾, 2:17.

2:18 pace, purse $750:
Scarlet Trent, b g by Parovas.....(Brown) 1 1 1
Hal Edo, b m by Hal B.....(Archer) 2 3 2
Sister Norte, b m by Del Norte.....(Maxwell) 3 2 3
Molly, b m by Knox.....(Leggett) 5 4 4
Truxton King, ch h by Idol Chimes....(Stanford) 4 5 5
Chestnut Hal, 6-dis.; Lottie Dishman, dis.
Time—2:14¾, 2:13½, 2:16½.

Sept. 17.—2:25 pace, purse $750:
Nelly J., b m by Zolock.....(Archer) 1 3 2
T. R. McGregor .....(Shaw) 2 1 6
Nigger Boy, bl g by Oregon Patch.....(Lance) 4 5 1
Maude DeFine, br m by Prolong.....(Guion) 5 2 5
Teddy Ham, 3-4-3; Gazelle Deer, 6-6-4; High Ho, ds.
Time—2:16, 2:18¾, 2:19.

Sept. 18.—2:15 trot, purse $750:
Bitter Root Purse, bl m by Evergets.....(Young) 3 1 1
The Frisco, ch g by Caution.....(Lance) 1 3 4
Nuristo, br g by Nushagak.....(Spencer) 2 2 3
Dan Matthews, b g by Eagle Blood.....(Brown) 4 4 2
Time—2:16¼, 2:17¼, 2:15¼.

2:11 pace, purse $750:
Ed Karnack, ch g by Bob Fitzsimmons..(Young) 1 1 1
Soumise, b m by Billy Dunlap.....(Leggett) 2 3 3
Hal Edo, b m by Hal B.....(Archer) 3 4 2
Big Squaw, bl m by Kewanee Boy.....(Payne) 4 2 4
Glen Rose, 5-5-5; Parkwood, 6-dr.
Time—2:12¼, 2:11¼, 2:13¼.

WALLA WALLA, WASHINGTON.

Walla Walla, Sept. 15.—While the publicity department of the Walla Walla County Fair devoted most of its activities to boosting the "Frontier Day" feature, the harness racing at the first three days of the fair drew pretty well purely on its merits, and those in attendance had the pleasure of witnessing the best racing that has ever been given here. Recent rains made the track slow and heavy for Monday's events, but on Tuesday and Wednesday the footing was good and the time fast. The races on Wednesday were all sharp contests and the former track record of 2:11¼ was considerably "manhandled." Lady Hal in the slow class paced within a half-mile of it, Delmas in the free-for-all equaled it, and Teddy Bear in the 2:11 class beat it every heat, establishing the new mark of 2:09¼. The summaries:

Walla Walla, Sept. 13.—2:25 trot, purse $750:
Floradora Z., b m by Zombro.....1 1 1
Columbia T., b m by Bon Guy.....2 2 3
Hallie B., b m by Hal B.....3 3 2
Amy McKinney, bl m by McKinney.....4 4 4
Monte Carlyle, ds.; Bonnie Ansel, ds.
Time—2:18¼, 2:20¾, 2:18½.

2:18 pace, purse $750:
Hal Edo, b m by Hal B.....2 1 1
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio.....1 4 3
Prince Zolock, bl h by Zolock.....3 2 2
St. Elmo, b g by King Alexis.....5 3 5
Scarlet Trent, 4-5-4; Belle Smith, 7-6-6; Indian Hal, 6-7-8; Nigger Boy, 8-7-7; Truxton King, 9-ds.
Time—2:12¼, 2:13¾, 2:14¾.

Sept. 14.—2:18 trot, purse $750:
The Frisco, ch g by Caution.....1 1 1
Eloise Dell, br m by Alconda Jay.....2 3 2
Sargo, b g by Keeler.....3 2 3
Marguerita A., b m by Zombro.....4 4 4
Time—2:18½, 2:19¾, 2:19¼.

2:25 pace, purse $750:
Lady Hal, b m by Hal B.....1 1 1
Mack Fitzsimmons, ch g by Bob Fitzsimmons.....2 2 2
Nelly J., b m by Zolock.....4 3 3
Tillamook Maid, 6-5-4; Maude DeFine, 5-ds.
Time—2:13¼, 2:11¾, 2:12¼.

Sept. 15.—2:11 pace, purse $750:
Teddy Bear, b h by Del Coronado.....1 1 1
Harold Welcome, b h by Welcome.....2 3 2
Prince Zolock, bl g by Zolock.....3 2 3
Indian Hal, b h by Hal B.....4 4 4
St. Elmo, 5-5-ds.
Time—2:09¼, 2:10¼, 2:09¾.

Delmas, ch g by Dialect.....1 1 1
Allerdaw, br g by Allertonian.....2 2 2
Haltamont, b h by Hal B.....3 3 3
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio.....4 4 4
Time—2:12¾, 2:11¼, 2:13½.

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NEW STATE GAME LAWS ENACTED IN 1915.

More than 240 new game laws were enacted during 915—a larger number than in any previous year ex- ept 1911, according to Farmers' Bulletin 692, "Game aws for 1915." Forty-three States held regular leg- slative sessions, and in all of these States except rizona, Georgia, and Nebraska some changes were ade in the statutes protecting game. The largest umber of new game laws passed in any one State vas 61, in North Carolina; but in California, Con- ecticut, Maine, New Jersey, Oregon, Pennsylvania, nd Wisconsin the number reached 10 or more. Sev- ral measures were vetoed, including a general game und bill in Idaho, the first bill appropriating the unting-license fund in Pennsylvania, a bill protect- ng bears in California, and three sections of the ame bill in Washington. A number of bills were ntroduced for the purpose of harmonizing the State aws on migratory birds with the Federal regulations.

In at least nine States changes were made which brought the seasons into substantial agreement, viz., California, Connecticut, Maine, Michigan, New Hamp- shire, Tennessee, and West Virginia. In Illinois the seasons for all migratory birds except coot (mud- hens) and waterfowl, and in Washington for the smaller shore birds, were made to conform with the regulations under the Federal law. Uniformity was also secured by provisions in the laws of Connecti- cut, Maine, New Mexico, North Dakota, Washington, and Wisconsin, prohibiting hunting between sunset and sunrise. On the other hand, Delaware adopted a resolution opposing the migratory1bird law, and Ohio and Rhode Island, which had harmonized their seasons in 1914, changed the seasons on waterfowl this year.

As a result of the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States on January 19, 1914, sustaining the alien hunting law of Pennsylvania, legislation prohibiting aliens from hunting or owning shotguns or rifles was enacted in at least four States—Massa- chusetts, New Jersey, North Dakota, and West Vir- ginia—but certain exceptions based on property qualifications were made in Massachusetts and New Jersey.

Close seasons extending for several years were provided for certain kinds of big game and also for game birds. Hunting mountain sheep was suspend- ed in Idaho, Montana, and Washington, and goats were protected until 1918 in Montana. Moose were protected for four years in Maine, the first absolute close season on this species for 35 years—since the suspension of hunting from 1878 to 1880. Antelope were given indefinite protection in New Mexico and Montana. In Michigan, New Mexico, and Oklahoma prairie chickens were protected for several years. Michigan extended complete protection also to quail, imported pheasants, grouse, and woodducks for five years. Minnesota protected doves, woodcock, plover, and woodducks until 1918. New Mexico gave protec- tion to pheasants, bobwhites, pigeons, and swans. Oklahoma protected doves, grouse, woodducks, and curlew. Several birds were removed from the game list and protected through the year. Oklahoma gave such protection to pelicans, gulls, and herons. Ten- nessee declared ringneck pheasants, bullbats, robins, and meadowlarks to be nongame birds. In a few cases protection was removed from certain species— notably turkey buzzards in Delaware, Florida, and North Carolina, owls and starlings in New Hamp- shire, and cormorants in Illinois and North Dakota.

For the first time in 12 years moose hunting is permitted in Wyoming, and for the first time since 1907 prairie chicken shooting is permitted in Indiana.

Among the novel features in the laws this year may be mentioned the declaration in the Florida law that ownership of game is vested in the respective coun- ties; the provision in the California law protecting spike bucks, or deer with unbranched horns, instead of deer with horns of a certain length; and the Wy- oming experiment of allowing the killing of 50 bull moose under $100 licenses instead of an indefinite number during a limited season. Methods of hunting were restricted in Michigan by prohibiting the use of automobiles in hunting partidges, and in Indiana by prohibiting the use of searchlights or other artifi- cial lights attached to autos for hunting game on or near a highway. Several new restrictions on ship- ments appeared for the first time: Illinois prohibited importation from points outside the State of any game except deer legally killed. Pennsylvania pro- hibited shipment of game by parcel post, and Wis- consin, shipment under an alias. Connecticut author- ized the commissioners of fisheries and game to grant permits to bring in game lawfully killed outside the State, provided such game is not offered for sale.

Notwithstanding the agitation in favor of protect- ing quail for several years in some sections, no bills of this kind were passed this year, and 39 States still provide quail shooting. The seasons were short- ened six weeks in Oklahoma and two weeks in Ne- vada. Limits were established for the first time in Arkansas and New Hampshire, reduced in Iowa from 25 to 15 per day, in Oklahoma from 25 to 10, in Min- nesota from 15 to 10, and increased in Nevada from 15 to 20. All but 14 of the States which permit quail hunting now have a limit of 20 birds or less per day.

All the States now allow waterfowl hunting, but the woodduck is protected for several years through- out the northern zone and in the southern zone in the States of California, Kansas, and West Virginia. Daily bag limits were established for the first time in Krkansas and Connecticut, reduced in Oklahoma from 25 to 10, and increased in Missouri from 10 to 15. Most of the States now have a limit of 25 or less per day.

Open seasons were lengthened in Montana on elk and deer two weeks; in Florida on deer and birds three weeks; in Minnesota on quail 20 days; and in Nevada on sage hens four and a half months, on grouse one month, and on quail two weeks. New Jer- sey reverted to the former plan of hunting deer on four consecutive Wednesdays instead of five consecu- tive days.

Seasons were shortened in a number of States. In the case of big game the deer season was curtailed in Arkansas three months, in Oregon and Washing- ton two weeks. In New Mexico the seasons were generally shortened and arranged in two districts divided at latitude 35 degrees. In California the dove season was made later and in Minnesota short- ened 20 days; in Oklahoma the quail season was curtailed six weeks, and in Michigan, Nevada (ducks), Tennessee, and Wyoming, spring shooting of waterfowl was abolished.

The more important changes affecting big game included the closing of the season for four years on moose in Maine; authorizations for the killing of 50 bull moose in Wyoming; lengthening the season on elk in Montana two weeks; closing the season on mountain sheep in Montana; changes affecting does in 7 States, including the removal of protection in Florida, Nevada, New Jersey, and Wyoming; estab- lishment of a limit in Arkansas; and decrease in the limits in Alaska, Michigan, Montana, and Nevada.

Under present conditions deer hunting is permitted in 36 States, in about one-third of which the hunter is limited to one deer a season and in most of the others to two. Eighteen States protect them at all seasons and allow only bucks to be killed—namely, Alabama, Arizona, California, Georgia, Idaho, Mis- souri, Mississippi, New Mexico, Nevada, New York, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, Ver- mont, West Virginia, and Wisconsin. Pennsylvania requires that deer killed shall have horns two inches above the hair, New York and Vermont at least three inches long, and West Virginia four inches long, while California prohibits entirely the killing of spike bucks.

Three important changes have radically affected traffic in game in the Mississippi Valley during the present year. In February the Supreme Court of Arkansas held that a local law permitting shipment of game from the Chickasawba district of Mississippi county, Ark., was unconstituional, and that the gen- eral law prohibiting shipment of game was in effect in this county as well as in other parts of the State. A little later the legislature of Tennessee prohibited the sale of all protected game taken within the State, thereby cutting off the market for ducks killed on Roolfoot lake. Finally, in June, a new game law was passed in Illinois prohibiting sale of all game, native or imported, except rabbits. For 20 years or more Illinois has permitted the sale at certain sea- sons of game imported from other States. Illinois now not only prohibits the sale but also the export of all protected game except rabbits. Missouri has strengthened its export law by a provision prohib- iting export of quail for any purpose.

A bag-limit law was passed for the first time in Arkansas applicable to deer, bear, turkey, quail, and ducks. Limits were established in Connecticut on squirrels and waterfowl; in New Hampshire on quail, ruffed grouse, and woodcock; and in Pennsylvania on bear. Indiana, which opened the season on prairie chickens for the first time in several years, provided a limit of five birds per day.

Reductions in limits were made on deer in Alaska from 6 to 3, in Montana from 3 to 2, and in Michigan and Nevada from 2 to 1. In the case of birds the more important reductions in daily bag limits were made in Illinois on doves from 15 to 10; in Iowa on quail from 25 to 15, and on prairie chickens from 25 to 8; in Minnesota on all birds except ducks, from 15 to 10; in Oklahoma on quail, plover, snipe, and ducks, from 25 to 10. Only a few increases were provided: In Illinois on shore birds, in Missouri on birdse (except turkeys) from 10 to 15, and in Nevada on quail from 15 to 20.

Resident licenses were provided for the first time in three Southern States—Arkansas, South Carolina, and Tennessee. Arkansas established a $1 license for deer and a $1 license for dogs used in hunting quail; South Carolina a license of $1 for hunting in the county and $3 in the State, but 27 counties were exempt from the operation of the act; and Tennessee a $1 license for the county and $2 for the State. New Mexico and Vermont joined the list of States which now issue combined hunting and fishing licenses. Delaware, following the example of West Virginia in 1913, repealed the resident license provision adopted two years ago, while West Virginia restored the license by issuing free licenses to persons hunting in the county of residence and requiring a fee of $3 to hunt elsewhere in the State. Fees for non-resident licenses were reduced in Illinois from $15 to $10, in Maine from $25 to $10, and for the special elk resi- dent license in Wyoming from $15 to $10. New Hampshire and South Carolina, on the other hand, increased the non-resident fee in each case from $10 to $15, and Manitoba the resident big game license from $2 to $4. Exemptions were provided in a few cases—notably in Illinois, which allows veterans of the civil war to hunt without a license, and in Ore- gon, which issues free licenses to veterans. In the latter State women are now allowed to hunt and fish without license, but in New Mexico similar privileges are not extended. North Dakota allowed actual set- tlers to obtain a resident license, even though they have not acquired residence. In Michigan and Min- nesota all residents are now required to obtain licenses to hunt in the county of residence. In North Dakota and Vermont conviction of violating the game laws not only results in forfeiture of license, but renders the holder ineligible to obtain another for a year, except in Vermont, without the consent of the game commissioner.

GOSSIP FOR SPORTSMEN.

For a week-end trout angling trip the Truckee or upper Sacramento rivers are about the most inviting waters at present. In the Truckee canyon, up to last week, heavy winds have prevailed, which, of course, spoiled diversion with fly lures. Conditions, how- ever, had a more favorable turn, enough to tempt Frank J. Cooper, Dave Sachs, L. L. Gerstle, Mark Gerstle, Walter D. Mansfield, Carter Pomeroy, Hor- ace Orear, Ed Everett and other San Francisco Fly- Casting Club members to whip the river near the club lodge last Sunday. Results, however, were only fair.

As for the upper Sacramento fishing points, good fishing has prevailed nearly all this season and condi- tions should be inviting at this time of the year. Roscoe Havens, who has fished the river near Sims for years past, is at that resort at present, which fact argues that the fish are rising to the fly.

The Merced river and branch creeks flowing through the floor of the Yosemite valley are clear and low enough to offer the usual excellent induce- ments for the September angler. A report last week from Webber lake states that fly-fishing is first class at present.

San Gregorio lagoon seems to be on the fishing list still, for several local anglers picked up nice baskets of steelhead from that water the past week.

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Trolling for quinnat salmon has been the leading salt water fishing attraction for local rodsters for the past fortnight. The fish have averaged much larger in size than when the run started. Nearly every boat party outside the heads recently has returned with more or less fine salmon. The best catches have been made off Gull Rock, near Bolinas bay. Many salmon have also been hooked inside—off the Sausa- lito shores, in Raccoon Straits and along the Marin shores up to Point San Quentin. Hooks baited with Monterey sardines and trolling spoons, usually No. 6, either all brass or brass and silver, have been equally effective lures outside in the ocean currents. Inside success has been achieved with the bright trolling spoon only, for the fish hooked in the bay are through feeding and gradually working up to the headwater spawning grounds of the Sacramento river and main tributaries and also up the San Joaquin river. A number of the fish brought in recently have scaled over fifty pounds, which argues that the fisherman had some sport in bringing the captive alongside the boat where it could be gaffed. Generally weather conditions outside have been favorable. One Sunday, however, while the sport was keen, the big fleet of trolling launches had to make for less turbulent water inside at about 11 o'clock in the forenoon. The run is now about over, so far as the trolling sport is con- cerned.

Although salmon can be taken all the year round with hook and line, or spear, the netting season is now closed from September 25 until November 14. The daily limit during this period is three fish.

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Striped bass fishermen are having various degrees of luck. Good catches have been made recently in the east San Pablo bayside from Pinole up to Port Costa. The Oleum wharf has proved a good fishing place.

Wingo fishing sloughs were on the wrong side of the ledger recently. Heavy and cold northwest winds spoiled the sport for many of the Wingo regulars. Probably Al Lindsay's catch of five bass taken at Appleby Bay is about the best recent showing up to last Sunday, when a large number of bass were caught.

Al Cumming in eleven trips to San Antone slough within a month has landed forty striped bass weigh- ing altogether 165 pounds. The largest was a twenty- one-pounder, which goes to prove that the bass have not yet deserted that favorite fishing water.

Tiburon lagoon is still on the striped bass producing list. Not many nor very large bass have been caught, but enough to warrant a trial now and then.

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Reports from many mountain deer hunting districts indicate that bucks are numerous, and juicy venison steaks are an enjoyable addition to the camp cuisine. Trinity county has the call this year with many hunters, notwithstanding that 66,400 acres is a game refuge in the southwestern part of the county, and all of which tract is included in the forest reserve. The refuge begins one mile west of Hayfork river and extends over the Hayfork Bally mountain to four miles east of the Trinity river beyond North Fork. The southern boundary is Big Creek, in Hayfork, the northern boundary is the ridge back of Corral bottom. The State law establishing this game refuge took effect August 7th.

According to many sportsmen the protection given the animals under the law has caused a big increase of deer during the last few years. In many of the nearby coast ranges there are many more deer than there was ten years ago. Since "spike" bucks are now on the protected list, the deer should increase steadily during the next few years.

Another factor in the deer increase is the large number of California lions killed since a $20 bounty was offered for a varmint scalp. Thirteen mountain lions were accounted for during August and bounties paid to the hunters killing the pests. Madera county furnished four lions. This shows a decided decrease in these marauders as compared with the reports of past years, for the lion hunters are just as keen today as they were ten years ago to get the bounty.

The new auto highway into Trinity county can be reached either via Red Bluff or through Humboldt county, over a good stretch o froad by way of Bridgeville. This trip will introduce an outing party to a newly opened section, said to be wonderful in prolific scenic beauty, well stocked with a variety of wild game—deer, bear, bobcats, grouse and mountain quail—and also trout streams, where four and five-pound fish are plentiful.

The Mad river and Van Duzen country are voted an ideal camping territory by Dr. Henry Abrams, N. H. Leggett, and Dr. H. C. McClanahan, who recently returned after testing the district with rifle, shotgun and rod for three weeks. Camps were pitched at the headwaters of Mad river, the Van Duzen, and then on the south fork of Trinity river. Five bucks was the combined bag of venison secured—two large Pacific bucks, two five-pointers (still in velvet), and a forked horn. One of the five-point stags weighed 243 pounds. Many other deer were seen in that section.

For the information of sportsmen unacquainted with that territory, there need be no doubts felt about finding good camping spots nor getting good sport. The forest rangers up that way are more than obliging in making the outing a pleasant one.

Deer are being shot with systematic regularity in Siskiyou county by ranchers and visiting sportsmen. Fine deer hunting has been found near Riverton, in El Dorado county, where a 180-pound buck was killed a week ago by two Sacramento hunters, Ed Brady and J. Marty. A buck that weighed 208 pounds was killed in that section earlier in the season. Lake county is credited with being a hunters' paradise this season. One party of three hunters made the trip by auto, going in one afternoon and coming out the next day with two large deer. Calaveras county, in the upper mountain region, offers hunting and fishing conditions unusually good. The deer hunting now is said to be the best in years, mountain quail and grouse are very plentiful and gray squirrels abound.

The largest buck killed in Marin county this year weighed 160 pounds and was shot by Dick Baker of this city, Gus Gallon and J. Mast. Deer were very plentiful in that district during the season just closed, from six to a dozen was the daily tally of venison carcasses for the six weeks' hunting season. Most of the bucks were shot on the Bolinas ridge and Lagunitas ranch country.

Mendocino county, not so far away, near the Cotter ranch, twelve miles northwest of Sherwood, on the old stage road from Lakeview, is a section said to be plentifully populated with deer. The Big Meadows and Lassen region have more deer running about waiting for the hunter this year than for many seasons past.

One of the largest bucks killed in the Zyante region in Santa Cruz county, bagged by a hunting party composed of Henry Odenthal, Al Meinhart of this city, L. Bergazzi, L. Castella, A. Lersa, P. Pianti and A. Paneghetti of Los Gatos, weighed 161½ pounds.

At the town banquet in Los Gatos last week six bucks were a part of the viands disposed of by those present.

A five-pointer buck, scaling 157 pounds, was shot by William Beare on the road between Bakersfield and Democrat Springs. The coup was made from the automobile stage on that run.

Calaveras county, in the upper mountain sections, offers the best deer hunting in years, according to D. R. Roberts. Many bucks have already been gathered in by hunters. Mountain quail, grouse and gray squirrels make up a pleasing variety for the camp pot.

Forest Rangers have been busy ever since the various deer seasons opened, posting the boundaries of the two State game refuges.

Doves are beginning to take flight for the lower and warmer parts of the State. Bakersfield sportsmen have shot many limit bags since the season opened. The birds have been plentiful in "all directions." Tulare hunters have also found the birds numerous in that section.

Doves are reported to be very plentiful this year near Brentwood, in San Joaquin county, a favorite dove-hunting section for many seasons.

Great flocks of wild geese are beginning to come into some parts of Butte county, particularly near Chico landing. Ducks have been plentiful in that section for weeks past.

The tule overflow east of Dixon is drying up and the ducks that have bred there are scattering for other feeding grounds. Near Canby, in Modoc county, there are from 50 to 75 per cent more than ever seen in that section before, which means that they will all come south when winter sets in in that region.

Reports from many duck hunting grounds indicate that the webfeet will be plentiful when the season opens—unless there is enough rain to cause the birds to take flight to more southern feeding grounds. Colusa county is reported to be overrun with wild ducks at present. In the Cache slough tule belt of Yolo county the birds are also plentiful. For several weeks past mallard and sprig have been flying about the Suisun marshes in big flocks. The Alameda marshes have also been tenanted by many wild ducks. Most of the birds are home-breds, but many northern ducks have already come in.

From many quail hunting districts reports are favorable for good shooting. Cottontail rabbits are so plentiful in some districts as to be voted a nuisance.

At the Traps

A Webfoot Record.—Peter H. O'Brien, Oregon representative in the Grand American Handicap at Chicago this summer, Monday broke all Pacific Coast long run trapshooting records when he smashed 241 blue rocks during the first annual registered tournament of the Portland Gun Club.

O'Brien broke 150 straight in the regular program, 50 straight in a special event, and in a shoot-off broke 10 without a miss. This with an unfinished run of 31 the day before gave him a Coast record.

H. E. Poston of San Francisco and P. J. Holohan of Portland were tied for second honors, with scores of 147.

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Turkey Shoot.—The Exposition City Gun Club shoot Sunday last at the Easton blue rock range drew a scant attendance of shooters. Five 20-bird events were shot, the contestants being distance handicapped from 16 to 20 yards. In the first event N. A. Howard (20 yards) was high gun with 20 straight. Ed L. Hoag (18 yards) won the second match with 20 straight. Dick Reed (20 yards) and Howard each ran out the full string of 20 clays in the third skirmish. Mrs. A. G. Wilkes (16 yards), with the good score of 19, was one of five 19's in that event. C. H. Knight (20 yards) came out first in event No. 5 with 19 out of 20.

Everybody won a turkey. Heine Stelling emerged from the fray with two national birds as his reward for straight gun pointing.

Events—	1	2	3	4	5—Ttl
Birds—	20	20	20	20	20—100
R. C. Reed	17	19	20	17	16— 89
Dr. C. D. McGettigan	17	19	18	16	17— 87
H. Stelling	16	16	17	18	18— 85
N. A. Howard	20	18	20	18	16— 92
E. Hoelle	19	19	18	19	18— 93
P. Swenson	16	17	14	16	13— 76
A. G. Wilkes	16	16	19	18	17— 86
Dr. E. Topham	15	16	16	15	12— 74
Mrs. A. G. Wilkes	17	19	15	14	13— 78
C. H. Knight	18	19	19	16	19— 91
E. L. Hoag	17	20	..	..	.— 37
E. H. Forestier	..	..	10	11	13— 34
J. H. Jones	..	..	15	15	15— 45

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Merchandise Shoot.—The Big Time Gun Club merchandise shoot, the last of the season for the Sacramento powder burners, will take place tomorrow. One of the features of the shoot will be a match between women members of the club—20 of the fair sex are on the roll of active membership.

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Try the Try Gun.—Jack Fanning, formerly a prominent member of both the Olympic and Lincoln Gun Clubs, has been showing the boys what the try gun can do to fit a shooter properly.

For years past a hobby of his has been that most shooters use a gun that does not fit. To get around this situation he advocates that a shooter should be measured for a gun, just the same as he would for a suit of clothes—to get a proper fit.

"In trap shooting, or in marsh or upland shooting," he states, "one of the very first and the most essential elements conducive to the pleasure and success of your day's sport is a perfect fitting and well balanced gun. In contrast is the firearm whose long stock and narrow comb—if your face is thin—or shaped so that you cross-fire or over or undershoot, and which ill fitting destroys many trips that might have been a pleasure had the gun been better adapted to the shooter.

"No wonder many, after deciding to take up trap shooting, change their minds and wonder what others see in it. They usually made their debut at the traps with a borrowed gun. The tall, slender m with long arms cannot expect to get good resul with a gun borrowed from his rotund friend, nor c the wife, for that matter, expect to learn to sho with her long-armed husband's gun.

"Frequently a shooter of judgment and a bit mechanical ability will shave down or out, or adju a cheek pad on the ordinary gun stock. Oftentim many stocks went through the dehorning process t fore one was ready to assist the shooter in raisi his score. But now all this worry and fuss over i fitting gun stocks is done away with, for along com the doctor with his 'try gun.'

"This try gun has a stock which can be lengthene or shortened, widened out or brought together l means of bolts and clamps. It can be adjusted to perfectly any face, any peculiarity of vision or ar length of arm. Many trap and field shots today ov their raise in shooting percentages to the new gu built after the measurements were found which we suited to their individual needs. Ladies in particul will find the services of a try gun an invaluable a to better marksmanship."

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Intercollegiate Trapshooting Association.—Princ ton, Dartmouth, Yale, Harvard and Cornell hav formed an Intercollegiate Trapshooting Associatio The purpose of the organization is to "regulate inte collegiate trapshooting competition and increase i terest in trapshooting as a college sport." Stanle F. Withe, Harvard '14, has been elected Secretar Manager of the association. F. C. Huntress, Dar mouth '16, and H. L. Gordon, Jr., Princeton '16, ar members of the executive council which will mak arrangements for the Intercollegiate Championshi shoot to be held at Dartmouth this fall.

The shoot to determine the 1915 intercollegiat trapshooting champions will be held at Dartmout this fall, according to an announcement just issue from the headquarters of the Intercollegiate Tra shooting Association, 403 Evening Bulletin Building Philadelphia. Harvard, Yale, Dartmouth and Prince ton will enter teams in the shoot and there is a po sibility that Cornell, Penn State and Williams wil be represented. There will be five men on eac team, with one substitution allowed; it will be 100-bird program.

Interest in this shoot has been greatly increase by the presentation to the association, by the Du Pont Company, of five solid gold trophies which wil be awarded to the members of the team winning th intercollegiate championship. The trophies are i the form of watch fobs, the pendant of which is solid gold medallion, representing a clay target. Abou the rim is inscribed "1915 Intercollegiate Trapshoot ing Championship," and on the back will be engrave the name of the winner and the scores of the com peting teams. These trophies were designed by Stanley F. Withe, Secretary of the Intercollegiate Trapshooting Association, and have been declared the handsomest trophies ever awarded in an event of this character.

While discussing his plans for the coming inter collegiate shoot, Mr. Withe remarked: "Few realize that in the last few years trapshooting has become established as a regular college sport with interclass, intercollegiate and championship shoots between carefully coaches teams. The fact that trapshooting has won a place for itself among the many activities of the college world is convincing evidence that this sport develops qualities which are not obtained in any other forms of recreation. A steady hand, keen eye, delicate co-ordination between mind and muscle, and ability to act in fractions of a second are qualities resulting from continued practice at the traps which have commended it as an exercise and a recreation for college men."

DOG SHOWING.

In these days of dog evolution, or breeding dogs for prizes and profits on an extensive scale, the "handling" of dogs in the show ring has developed into an art. In this way, it is of paramount importance that fanciers who elect to follow the pursuit of dog showing, whether in a small way or on a large scale, whether as a hobby supplementary to their daily toil or avocation, or whether as a profession, to which dog showing has latterly developed, should post themselves up in the requirements of the show ring which are essential to success. It is not enough to possess a good dog, for it is often the case that a moderate dog, well tutored and "handled," will beat a better dog indifferently shown.

Whatever a dog may be at home or before going into the ring, or when he comes out of it, it is what he looks like at that supreme and critical moment when the judge's eye is on him, and when the judge decides upon the relative merits of the dogs before him, all decisions are, or should be, made comparatively according to the merit of the dogs of the day, and not according to what a dog may have been or may have done in the show ring previously, or may be or do in the future. Just as a jury trying cases in the law courts is advised by the presiding judge to shut out from their minds any knowledge the jurymen may possess of the case or cases they are about to try, and are exhorted to arrive at their decisions purely upon the merits of the cases presented to them in court, so ought dog show judges, when they enter the arena of the show ring, to shut out from their minds any previous knowledge of the performances of particular dogs, and judge accordingly.

THE SUCCESSFUL BREEDER.

The breeding establishment of the dog fancier can well be compared to a factory that turns out a certain class of goods. Its excellent and wide spread renown being in accordince not with quantity, but with quality, states "Scarstream" in Dogdom.

One great dog produced by a kennel, or by its breeder, will live through the years in the constant and ever recurring memory of the fancy, and will be mentioned again and again at almost every show. Whereas a kennel of mediocre specimens very soon becomes a thing forever forgotten. Who, for instance, ever remembers, or, for that matter, has ever heard of a kennel of bulldogs which belonged to Mr. Young, of Sutherland, yet he had well-nigh a hundred bulldogs during his big splash in the game. On the other hand, who does not know of the great and lasting name of Pybus Sellon, Murrell, Marfleet, Ferguson, Williams, Crocker, Marley, Greenhut, Jeffries, and so on in a great chain of fanciers who have succeeded, and their dogs, Prince Albert, Dockleaf, Rodney Stone, Boomerang, Bromley Crib, Bromley Rosa, Felton, Chance It, etc. How many years it took them to win the laurel wreath of fame!

How many, I wonder, understand, even in the very minutest degree, the methods which led to their final victory in the ring? The quiet, unostentatious, plodding, silent way which is typical of the English breeder, both in success and failure, is the answer. It has been observed by the writer that the most successful breeder is always the quietest and most silent among men, while, on the other hand, that flashy type of loud-mouthed vulgarity and swagger which is the twin brother to some of the would-be breeders I have known, never yet met with much attention, save, of course, for the natural following of the class of hanger-on that grovels at the feet of money.

The breeding of a good dog is a silent, deep-thinking job, and what, I ask, is more wonderful, more splendid than to produce and show a real flyer? Who is there who remembers "Sammy" Woodewiss? A small, silent man, no faker, a hater of the lewd, a lover of the beautiful, a breeder of champions—Blackberry, Boaz, Baron Sedgemore. One brood bitch (Ch. Blackberry) alone produced no less than five champions, and it is said, and well said, that every puppy out of her that lived was of championship calibre, while those that died were the same. This only proves that silence and one bitch can do what swagger and loudness coupled with the gang cannot do. Look at Pressgang, a greater bulldog never graced the show ring, yet Harry Gilmore and Harry Leyton, his breeders, were almost unknown, owing to their reticence and silence. Unknown, no! For in the fraternity of old England bulldog men they live as men who have done something.

I do not claim infallibility in this respect, yet I do say that the less a man yelps about this, that and the other, the more he reserves this wasted energy and puts it into the thought of how to do things; the less he talks about the wonder he has down home, and the more he decides to wait in silence until he jumps into the ring to actually show you in the flesh, so much greater is his chance of a glorious success and the prospect of his fellow fanciers' good will and congratulations.

The dog game today is ruined by high-priced swagger—by the unlimited voice that scandalizes, criticises, throwing broadcast doubt, innuendos which impregnate the air of every dog show with worthless and senseless hearsay and concoction. I believe that we can drink to the full the cup that has for its motto, "If speech be silver, silence is golden." It is in the quality, not the quantity of the thing that makes men take notice in the dog game.

Comfort for man and beast is a very great asset toward making a successful kennel. It is not, of course, many kennels that can afford to keep a kennel man, or kennel managers as they are sometimes misnamed. The only real kennel manager is a superintendent who knows how things should be run, and sees that his subordinates do their work, and do it well. He is responsible, of course, except in the show ring. His work should be only brain work. I know of one "managerial" office where there is no help whatsoever save the man himself, which pays $13 per week, and the manager scrubs the floors, boils the food, and does all the dirty work. Anyone can see that such an office is entirely misnamed. The kennel manager proper should have a good salary, a free hand and decent treatment. Of all the fatal things in this world, and especially in the kennel world, is a dissatisfied employee, and still worse is the utter folly of expecting to get good work out of a man by mean tactics and broken promises. Better, by far, throw the sponge in the ring.

The greatest kennel man I ever met was Garrett, a brother-in-law to "Freddie" Brake, my closest friend in bulldogs. It makes my eyes water when I realize that the happy days we spent together can come no more. They were happy, doggy days. Garrett was with Sellon, at Wimbledon, for years and years. He was instrumental in breeding Dockleaf, Denver, Donax, Dairymaid, Dubbo, Detroit, Dandelion, and so many others one can't remember them all. Sellon died at sea, and Garrett died soon after of grief. With them went the kennel—the greatest and most successful kennel of bulldogs that ever existed, and, in my belief, that will ever exist. It had its wonderful day of success, and almost simultaneously it all disappeared.

It was my good fortune to be one of the inner circle of this kennel. The den, as it was called, was an upstairs room over the kennel, and very few people except "Jack's" closest friends ever got past its sacred portals. The walls were covered with pictures of dogs and prizes won. There were big boards, with pictures of the different dogs on the map, and their weak and strong points written against them. All this was studied before the bitches were mated. Inbreeding was indulged in freely when it was considered advisable, and many bitches had been in the kennel for years, and the parents before them for two decades or more. It was scientific work backed by unlimited means. "Billie" Spargue was a big factor in this exclusive circle, and with Fred Brake and G. W. Richards made up the ring.

Dog breeding, to be a success, must be a happy occupation, as it was with "Jack" Sellon. In the years that I knew Sellon, Garrett and Brake, I never saw one of them in an evil look. You must not be led to the idea from this that there was no tough luck at the kennels at Wimbleton. I have seen some of the very best die young, litter and litter go, mature dogs killed by accident, and still the man at the head of it looked the same. He treated success and failure just alike, and remained a man. It took more than this to make such men as they look mean.

I hope these reminiscences may help you who aspire to success in the kennel world. Remember how these other men have won, and follow their example. Let silence and good nature be your motto. Be decent to your kennel-man—such a lot rests with him. You can't get the best out of anything with a kick.

SPORTSMEN ENJOY BUCK BARBECUE.

Fourteen hundred sportsmen were the guests of the North Fork Game Protective Association at the fifth annual barbecue of that organization held Sunday, September 26 at the Auburn race track. Every city in the northern part of the State was represented, and all keenly appreciated every detail of the elaborate program that had been prepared in their honor, states the Sacramento Union.

There were big delegations of guests present from San Francisco, Marysville, Truckee, Reno, Grass Valley, Nevada City, Colusa, Sacramento and other points.

There was not a dull minute from 16 o'clock in the morning, when the visitors started to arrive, until sundown, when the blue rock shoot was completed. Music by the Auburn concert band and the Lincoln concert band- vocal selections by entertainers, two boxing matches, foot races, festivities in the vicinity of "The Spring" and the blue rock shooting provided all the amusement necessary.

It was shortly after noon that Chef Elmer Gum, the president of the North Fork Association, and his aides unearth ten barbecued deer and one bear. Fourteen hundred sportsmen witnessed the ceremony, while Ralph Earl, Pacific Coast representative of the Pathe Motion Picture concern, took the view for his company's weekly.

Beside the ten deer the committee in charge had prepared ten tubs of sweet potatoes and two one-hundred-gallon kettles of Spanish beans. Potato salad, olives, pickles, cranberry sauce, tomatoes, peppers, peaches, pears, grapes, canteloupes, watermelons and liquid refreshments were also on the table.

The guests were seated in the central portion of the race track, beneath a large clug of oak trees. One hundred feet distant from the tables the boxing ring was constructed.

There were two bouts during the day, both of which went the limit of four rounds.

L. Burns, Placer county high school boy, won both the 50 and 100-yard dashes. The others competing in the races were high school students. In the 100-yard dash L. Peart finished second and C. Huntley romped in third. The time was 10.4.

In the 50-yard dash Huntley finished second and Peart third. The time in this race was 5.4. The boys were trained by Earl Crabbe, instructor in the Placer county high school.

At the conclusion of the second boxing bout the blue rock shoot started and continued until sundown. Most of those competing for the merchandise prizes were from Sacramento and Auburn.

Everything on the grounds was free to the guests. Auburn's sportsmen were at their best, and all who attended were unanimous in the opinion that the fifth barbecue was the biggest sporting event ever held in the foothills.

Three hundred automobiles were parked inside the enclosure at the track by noon, some of the machines coming from points as far distant as San Jose and Winnemucca, Nev.

Among the prominent visitors were Clarence A. Haight, George Neale, Frank Newbert, George E. Chambers, Jack Fanning, Sheriff F. Gormley, Ancil Hoffman, P. J. O'Brien, J. A. McGuire and Harold Nelson. Secretary of State Frank Jordan was also present.

President Elmer Gum stated Sunday that the barbecue will be repeated next September.

The officers of the North Fork Game Protective Association are E. H. Gum, president; J. T. Walsh, vice-president; J. J. Reeves, secretary-treasurer. The directors are E. H. Gum, J. T. Walsh, J. J. Reeves, Herbert Morow, L. Armbruster. J. B. Landis is attorney for the association.

The committees responsible for the success of the barbecue follow:

Grounds—L. Armbruster, Mose Predom, A. T. Ralston, Herbert Morrow, J. J. Reeves.

Entertainment—Dave Gordon, O. G. Houchin, Frank L. Tripp, George McAulay.

Invitation—M. Z. Lowell, Guy Lukens, W. B. Lardner, Jr., Charles Dapper, Dave Gordon.

Barbecue—L. A. Duryea, E. H. Gum, Jim Dudley, Marlin Michaels, Arthur Sather, Frank Knowlen.

Police—F. H. Dependener, W. R. Hoffman, Fred Smith, Chester Scroggs.

Spring—James Watters, Fred Hohman, E. J. Kennison, A. M. Hoffman.

Reception—A. J. Marclay, J. T. Walsh, A. C. Lowell, F. E. Brye, A. D. Lininger.

Soliciting—J. T. Walsh, M. J. Nunes, H. M. Cooper.

Publicity—L. A. P. Eichler, W. A. Shepard, C. M. Willis.

Bluerock—Grocer Conroy.

Menu—Laf Houchin, C. R. Purington, J. G. MacKay.

TROUT IN UGANDA.

There is always a fascination about catching trout in countries to which they are not indigenous over and above the charm inseparable from such sport in any circumstances. I venture to predict that the trout imported to the Aberdares, a range of mountains on the eastern frontier of the Rift Valley, will do as well as any others transported south of the equator, with the possible exception of the historic monsters of New Zealand. The trout of the Gura, the only stream so far stocked, were brought out as eyed ova some eight years ago.

The Gura river runs through sloudland, or, in more practical terms, between ten and eleven thousand feet above sea level, and it is best reached on safari from Naivasha station on the Uganda Railway. I have never, in the course of a somewhat long and varied experience of working hard for my sport, taken so much trouble for a couple of days of trout fishing. The expense alone is not inconsiderable, since you have to take not only your tent and stores, but also twelve or fifteen lusty Kikuyu porters, from Nairobi, which means that they have to be paid out and back, including railway fare. A mule can generally be hired at Naivasha, and on it you have to ride not less than thirty-five miles to the river, in the course of which you climb nearly three thousand feet above the level of Naivasha lake, which lies on the floor of the Great Rift Valley. The scenery is intensely interesting to a geologist, though the angler is disappointed on learning that the only inmates of the lake are the hippotamus and a small fish. During the ride over the plateau above the escarpments I came close to zebra and hartebeeste, feeding in large herds among the tall grass, and, as I learned later, several lions were tither trapped or poisoned a week earlier at a spot past which I rode within a few yards. All this, however, is not fishing, but merely the way of getting to it.

At length, on the second day, I camped close to the stream, just where it runs beneath a little bridge. There ought to be many more little bridges, as one constantly wants to fish from the opposite bank; but this was the only one I saw on several miles of the river. The only fish in the river are these imported brown trout, as fortunately the altitude or climate, or both, prevent either eels or crocodiles finding their way up from the warmer, muddier waters of the Tana, into which the Gura flows much farther down. The only natural enemies of the trout are otters and herons, and even the local natives do not care about fish, which is a mercy, as they are very efficient poachers elsewhere.

The trout of the Gura are, as might well be expected of fish that have never yet been fished for by more than half a dozen anglers, half of whom have paid but one visit to the water, easy victims of very moderate skill, and if I were going there again I would just take a whole bookful of coachmen dressed in two or three sizes. Other flies, preferably with white in the wing, would no doubt kill, but as my coachman was only once refused (and then, I suspect, by a big trout that had lost the taste for surface food and taken to frogs and little brothers and sisters), there seems no reason for varying this well-known pattern. They are quicker even than the trout of Usk, and must be hooked on the instant or they are gone. But if the fish are easy the river most certainly is not. It offers few reaches appropriate for down-stream fishing, for in that bright sun you cannot hope to deceive even those uneducated trout if they are staring you in the face. There are miles of dry fly water, but I saw too few rises and too little hatch to be encouraged to try more than a few minutes of experimenting with my crude floating fly.

(To be concluded next week)

FIXTURES.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

September 24—Medford Gun Club, Dr. E. R. Seely, President, Medford, Ore.

September 27—Portland Gun Club, J. A. Addleman, Secretary, Portland, Oregon.

October 4, 5—Roswell Gun Club, E. P. Malone, Secretary, Roswell, New Mexico.

November 2—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.



PREMIER RIFLE AND SHOTGUN EXPERTS.

. Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Topperwein will give an exhibition of expert and fancy shooting here, which will be a treat to see.

Adolph Topperwein represents the Winchester Repeating Arms Co., and lives in San Antonio, Texas. His native State has long been noted for its expert shooters and this penchant for shooting among Texans, added to his natural ability, undoubtedly accounts for the wonderful skill he displays. He uses no special equipment, but ordinary Winchester rifles, shooting regular cartridges with solid ball: or, in other words, cartridges such as are sold by all dealers.

In the most remarkable exhibition of rifle shooting ever given, Mr. Topperwein shot for ten days at 72,500 2¼-inch wooden blocks thrown into the air by an assistant, missing only 9 out of the entire lot. During the shooting, he made straight runs of 14,540, 13,599, 13,292, 13,219 and 10,383. He used two Winchester automatic rifles and Winchester cartridges, and the loading of the rifles was done by himself. Considering the almost incredible score and the tremendous strain of such incessant shooting, it is unlikely that this record will ever be beaten.

Other remarkable feats by Mr. Topperwein with the rifle were his scoring of 85 out of 100 2½-inch targets thrown into the air while riding at full speed in an automobile; and the breaking of 3,507 targets without a miss at the World's Fair in St. Louis.

Mrs. Topperwein, who also represents the Winchester Repeating Arms Co., is undoubtedly the premier lady shot of the world. Although she took up shooting only a few years ago, she has startled the shooting world and entertained many thousands of people by her great skill with rifle, shotgun and pistol. Her first public appearance was at the World's Fair in St. Louis, where, with a Winchester automatic rifle, she broke 967 out of 1,000 2½-inch flying targets; and later 1,995 out of 2,000 with a straight run of 1,437.

Besides being a wonderful wing and fancy shot, Mrs. Topperwein is a consistent shooter at the traps and has made a straight run of 226 and won many high averages in open competitions, shooting against the best professional and amateur shots in the world. At San Antonio, Texas, July 18, 1908, she broke 961 out of 1,000 targets thrown at the regulation distance, in 4 hours and 35 minutes.

At the Pacific Coast Handicap, Seattle 1910, Mrs. Topperwein won high general average over a large field of the best shots of the Pacific Coast and Canada. On the first day she made the remarkable score of 195x200, which included 20 doubles, and on the final day she broke the entire program of 100 singles straight. During the year 1913, Mrs. Topperwein shot at 10,000 targets, scoring over 95 per cent. She made straight runs of 100 nine times and one run of 165. Shooting for the Denver Post Trophy in a gale of wind, she scored 94x100 from the 21-yard mark. At the Eastern Handicap she outshot the field of over 250 shooters by scoring 98x100 from 19 yards; and closing her season's work at the State Fair in Phoenix, Ariz., she scored for the three days' shooting the magnificent total of 397x405 targets; and in a special handicap event, standing at the 23-yard mark, she broke 93 targets out of 100. Mrs. Topperwein is the only lady in the world who ever had the honor to qualify as a national marksman in open competition, shooting at 200, 300, and 500 yards with a military rifle.



NEW ZEALAND'S GREATEST MEETING.

The most important program of the year is that of the New Zealand Metropolitan Trotting Club's spring meeting, and all followers of the sport will be keenly interested in that drawn up for this year's gathering, which will be held at Addington on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, November 9, 11, and 12. As has already been mentioned, the stake money for the three days has been fixed at £10,000, the same amount as was given last year, and it will be admitted that this is a very generous sum to distribute under war conditions. Although the stakes have not been altered, the limits have been reduced in the majority of the events on the card, and the committee's policy in this respect will insure that the winning of a race at Addington is a test of the merit of the best class performers.

The "star" attraction of the gathering is, of course, the New Zealand Cup, with its stake of 2500 sovs., for which entries have already been taken, but there are many other valuable stakes to be won, and there is no race on the card of less value than 250 sovs., so that the meeting is sure to attract the best performers from all parts of the Dominion, and also, it is to be hoped, from Australia. The Courtenay Handicap, of 500 sovs., is the principal event on the second day's card, and it is for horses that can do 4:40 or better, while the free-for-all of 500 sovs., which is also run on the second day over a mile and a quarter, will bring about a meeting between the most brilliant of our harness horses. The Christchurch Handicap of 750 sovs., on the third day, is confined to horses that have done 4:39 or better, so that the field will be one of the very highest class; and another important event on the last day is the Dominion Trotting Handicap, for unhoppled trotters, that can do 4:46 or better. The mile horses, both harness and saddle, are particularly well catered for with such races as the Hagley Handicap of 250 sovs., Railway Handicap of 250 sovs., Royal Handicap of 300 sovs., Enfield Handicap of 300 sovs., and Recovery Handicap of 300 sovs. These two last-mentioned events are for horses that can do 2:16 or better, so that they will represent a decidedly "hot" proposition. The Victoria Handicap of 250 sovs., two miles and a quarter, will afford an opportunity for the genuine stayers, and the saddle horses have plenty of good stakes offered to them.

The nominations and handicaps to the Cup are as follows:

	Horse.	Fastest time.	Last H'cap. time.	Present H'cap. time.
Scr.	Win Soon	4:31	4:32	4:32
Scr.	Country Belle	4:31	4:32	4:32
1 sec.	Emmeline	4:30	4:34	4:33
1 sec.	Admiral Wood	4:34	4:41	4:33
2 sec.	Our Thorpe	4:34	4:35	4:34
2 sec.	Albert H.	4:33	4:33	4:34
3 sec.	Steel Bell	4:33	4:38	4:35
3 sec.	Adelaide Direct	4:33 2-5	4:35	4:35
3 sec.	St. Ursula	4:33 3-5	4:35	4:35
3 sec.	Jingle	4:33 2-5	4:36	4:35
3 sec.	Frandocia	4:35 1-5	4:36	4:35
3 sec.	Tommy C.	4:35 2-5	4:37	4:35
4 sec.	Eccentric	4:34	4:35	4:36
4 sec.	Calm	4:36	4:37	4:36
4 sec.	Don Caesar	4:36 1-5	4:37	4:36
4 sec.	Wallace Wood	4:36 2-5	4:37	4:36
5 sec.	Adonis	4:36 3-5	4:38	4:37
5 sec.	St. Swithin	4:35 3-5	4:39	4:37
5 sec.	Red Mac	4:36 2-5	4:39	4:37
5 sec.	Muricata	4:36 2-5	4:38	4:37
5 sec.	Manderene	4:37	4:39	4:37

A glance through the handicaps shows that Mr. H. Brinkman has made a much shorter limit than most followers of the sport expected. The scratch mares, Win Soon and Country Belle, are rightly in their places, and being asked to give away 5 seconds must be considered very favorably treated. The former, who won last year off the limit, is still pacing in great style, and has something the best of the back-markers with such a good general behind her as A. Pringle. Country Belle, when seen out at the last August meeting, was far from her best, but should come to hand quickly, as every attention and care have been bestowed on her during the winter. Emmeline has been off the scene for some considerable time now, having been stinted to Wildwood Jr., with no result, hence her return to the race track. As she is getting on in years, together with the fact that she will probably find the journey too far, her prospects cannot be considered bright. On the same mark is the ruling favorite, Admiral Wood, who has been very much in the limelight lately through having been disposed of by Mr. W. Kerr to an Auckland owner at a record price. When last seen in public, in the Courtenay Handicap last November, giving only one second away to Piecework and Brown Bell, he came away at the business end, winning somewhat easily, improving on his time 7 seconds. As he is now only asked to do one second better his connections should have nothing to complain of.

Our Thorpe has been placed one second in front of Admiral Wood, although both have the same time recorded against them. This seems quite justified, as the latter's was a winning performance, and Our Thorpe's a beaten one. Although Albert H. has a Cup to his credit, little can be said of his prospects, as he has been off the scene for many months now, and with such good ones round about him now, he seems harshly treated. Of those on the 3 second mark, Jingle and Adelaide Direct are the most favorably handicapped. It will be remembered that when Admiral Wood won the Courtenay Handicap in 4:34, Jingle and Adelaide Direct filled the places behind him, their time for the two miles being 4:33 2-5. Now this pair have been handicapped on 4:35. In the Courtenay Handicap Adelaide Direct and Jingle were on the 3 second mark, Admiral Wood on the 10 sec.; now Adelaide Direct and Jingle are receiving 2 sec. from Admiral Wood, thereby meeting him on 4 sec. better terms. Steel Bell (5:33) and St. Ursula (4:33 2-5), the North Island representatives, are on the same mark, but neither has done much racing locally. Frandocia (4:35 1-5) and Tommy C. (4:35 2-5) are also on the 3 sec. mark, and Mr. Brinkman has not given the former any the best of it as his time was recorded on a particularly fast track. Tommy C.'s form was so good at the August meeting that there is every likelihood of his further improving before the big event comes off.

Eccentric, Calm, Don Caesar, and Wallace Wood are on 4 sec.: the first-named is a brilliant horse over a short course, but I do not like him over two miles. Calm is considered very unsound, and may not survive a preparation. Don Caesar must have a great chance of winning should he keep sound. Prior to the last New Zealand Trotting Cup, this horse did some exceptionally brilliant work, and had he been a trifle more lucky at the start he would most likely have been in a place. Wallace Wood, since his return from Australia, has been a most consistent horse and if well should have a chance. Adonis, St. Swithin, Red Mac, Muricata, and Manderene are all on the limit, which is 5 sec. Adonis has been a well-handicapped horse for some time. His best record over two miles is 4:36 3-5. At the last Forbury Park meeting he was handicapped on 4:40 and won, the track being heavy, and later on the same day ran second to Goldwood in the mile and a quarter race. —New Zealand Referee.

THE FARM

FORAGE AND PASTURE PROBLEMS THAT SCIENCE MUST SOLVE.

How is the fertility of California to be kept up if instead of using horses and mules on the land the work is mostly done by great robbers of the soil like the huge harvesters and farm tractors?

This is a question that Professor C. B. Kennedy propounds in an article on "Grass" in the September number of the University of California Journal of Agriculture, just issued by the students at Berkeley. Here are some other problems that he says the agricultural scientists are keeping in mind:

How to make two blades of grass grow where one grew before.

How to produce a pound of flesh or milk at less cost than now.

How the food supply for stock is to keep up with the natural increase from one generation to another.

How large tracts in California may be divided up into units large enough to support a family comfortably and how the fertility of these units may be increased and preserved.

"The nations or states," he says, "that have the largest number of farm homes per section scientifically managed will be the ones that will render the greatest benefits to mankind and establish a financial foundation as solid as the rock of Gibraltar. We shall not have fought the good fight if we have not instilled into all those with whom we come into contact the necessity of spreading the gospel of farm homes. There is no state in the union that needs to take this to heart more than California."

Professor Kennedy predicts that the use of concentrated food-stuffs such as cottonseed meal and cereals is destined soon to play a much greater part than ever before in the production of milk and meat in California as they will shorten the time required for finishing an animal for market and thus give California pastures an opportunity to increase their capacity.

As yet California is only on the threshold of investigation and understanding of the real feeding value of the plants growing in the ranges and pastures of the state. The great bulk of the plants growing on the coast ranges and in the interior valleys were introduced here from other lands. Some of the most common are not even natives of North America—of these, for instance, the burr clovers and alfiliarias. Other less welcome immigrants are the weedy bromes and the foxtail.

The University is making a careful study of California forage plants, native and introduced, collecting their seed, and finding out their value as feed.

The grasses of the Coast Ranges and the drier parts of the interior valleys of California are largely made up of introduced plants. In the tule lands are a wide variety of water-loving plants on which thousands of head of stock are pastured, but the comparative economic value of which has not yet been determined.

That the Sierra Nevada is by far the most important grazing area of California, and the one where future expansion must most of all be expected, is declared by Professor Kennedy. He says that the grazing regulations in the Forest Reserves are enabling the community to use these resources and yet to leave them unharmed for future use. These mountain reserves are of great importance as protection against lean years of poor forage in the valley and foothill country. The problem should also be dealt with by the state and the United States of renewing mountain pastures that were depleted or denuded by overfeeding before the present regulations were adopted.

The importance of the wild pasturage problem in California is shown by facts which Professor Kennedy quotes from the report for 1913 of the Statistician of the California State Board of Agriculture. In that year 3,600,000 tons of hay were grown on 2,400,000 acres in California. But the feed requirement for the 6,214,983 animals that were fed that year in California was 18,000,000 tons. That is to say, pasturage, stubble lands, and concentrated foodstuffs between them supplied four times as much feed as the lands that were cut for hay.

Professor Kennedy predicts that California in future will increasingly depend upon and make use of the pasturage that can be fostered on non-arable lands.

DESPISED WEED PROVES BOON TO FARMERS.

Like the ugly duckling in the story which turned out to be a swan, "bitter clover," a despised pest of the grain fields, has now been discovered by the University of California to be an invaluable ally of the farmer, capable of increasing the yield of his land by two-thirds.

"Bitter clover" is a yellow flowering annual which grows wild in Arizona and California and is known also as "yellow-top," "sour clover," "sweet clover," or "Melilotus indica." It has now been proved that if grown to the age of about six months as a "clover crop" and then plowed under, it will increase by two-thirds the yield of certain other crops, planted in succession to it, so greatly does it enrich the soil with nitrogen and humus.

The story of how this unappreciated native "weed" has been found to increase the yield of subsequent crops, following its incorporation into the soil, to a greater extent than any other legume ever tested in California, is told by W. M. Mortz, Superintendent of Cultivations of the Citrus Experiment Station of the University of California at Riverside, California, in a circular on "Melilotus Indica as a Green Manure Crop in Southern California," just published by the University and obtainable free by writing to the College of Agriculture at the University.

Here is related the story of how for many years past the University of California has been testing a wide variety of "cover crops" at Riverside and elsewhere. Various clovers, vetches, and other legumes, as well as rye, barley, etc., have been grown as a winter cover-crop, and then plowed under in the spring, in order, by "green manuring,' 'to introduce nitrogen into the soil, aid the activity of useful soil bacteria, and improve the texture, humus content and general condition of the soil. Then potatoes, corn, sugar-beets, and other crops have been grown on the test plots to find out how much the fertility of the soil has been improved by this treatment.

The resulting increase in fertility has been most gratifying. Land on which common vetch had been plowed under gave an increased yield of 28.7 per cent; burr clover, 30.4 per cent, and Canadian peas 43.4 per cent.

But when "bitter clover" was grown and plowed under, the yield of the test crops following showed an actual average increase of 64.8 per cent.

This is nearly half as great again an increase of yield as it has been possible to obtain by plowing under cover crops of rye or barley and applying also 1092 pounds of nitrate of soda or 1188 pounds of dried blood per acre.

Bitter clover, moreover, is practically immune to injury by that common insect pest, the aphis, and it will stand more frost than either vetch or peac.

For use in a citrus orchard, bitter clover should be planted not later than October 15 in order to make a large growth and be ready to plow under by March. In walnut orchards, however, and in other irrigated deciduous orchards where late spring plowing is possible without injury, bitter clover may be planted as a cover-crop as late as December 15.

It is an interesting example of how science nowadays makes profitable use of what once was regarded as refuse and waste that the seed of bitter clover is now largely a by-product, being separated from the screenings of wheat, in which it is often a prevalent weed. The cost of the twenty-five pounds of good re-cleaned seed per acre needed to plant bitter clover is less than that of the 75 pounds of common vetch seed or 100 pounds of Canadian pea seed needed to plant these two other cover-crops, heretofore the most popular.

Another remarkable merit of this new cover-crop, "bitter clover," is that it is extremely effective in preventing "plow-sole," or irrigation hardpan, an ailment to which a large proportion of irrigated orchard soils in California are liable. Frequent cultivations of dry pulverized soils, together with frequent irrigation, tend to wash down the fine clay particles and deposit them in a dense, hard layer of varying thickness just under the cultivated area, and thus soils become impervious to water. "Bitter clover," however, though an annual plant, in six months sends its roots deep down, often as much as eight feet. This great root-system is extremely useful to the orchardist, keeping the deep layers of the soil in good physical condition and opened up for irrigation.

FENCES: WITH OR WITHOUT THEM?

Fences afford a suggestive commentary on the history and institutions of a country. Originally designed for protection and defense (the word "fence" is only a shortened form of "defense"), the fence came to be a traditional part of the structure of a place, wholly aside from any use that it might serve. Of late years, however, there has been a distinct effort at removal of useless fences, and persons have wondered why the owners clung to them so tenaciously. No doubt much of this tenacity is merely the deep-rooted custom and traditional practice that develops finally into a kind of race instinct, and is all the more difficult to eradicate because no one is consciously aware of its existence. Why do we still wear buttons on the sleeves of our coats? Or would it be an easy matter to have left them off all the garments for the coming year? Considering the history of the fence-idea, it is really surprising how much has been accomplished within 20 years in the removal of fences from city and village lots.

We are now seeing the spread of city ways into the country; but at first many of the country ways were carried into the city, and of these the fence custom was one. It was not so very long ago that cattle were allowed to roam in the village as they were in the country, and fences came with cattle.

But when cattle were removed from the streets, the fence did not go. Persons had come to feel that a fence is as much a part of any place as a walk or a well is. It has come to be bound up with the idea of the home. The removal of stock was not considered a sufficient reason for the removal of the fence. At best, this reason was only negative. The positive reason came in the development of what is really the art-idea in the outward character of the home—with the grading and parking of streets, and the feeling that the breadth of setting for the house can be increased by extending the lawn to the actual roadway. We have now learned that a fence is no necessary part of the plan of a place, that it really does not add to the completeness of the establishment, and, moreover, that it even may introduce a discord with the architecture. The development of the modern city or town residence street requires the removal of front fences.

All this does not mean that fences are everywhere out of place about a home, even if they do not serve as a protection against chickens and children and cattle. The large individual establishment may need fences as part of its structural design, or it may not, depending wholly on what the place is. But the mere street fence of the old time is gone, and the presumption is against the fence rather than for it. Very likely we have gone too far in the obliteration of fences, throwing our home grounds open to unseemly publicity; but this is a subject which concerns our point of view toward the type of living and toward the rights of the public, more than with fences themselves.

In the open country a different class of problems arises. Here the fence is distinctively useful; and yet, how many of the fences on most old eastern farms are really needed? The extent of fencing in any country is governed to a large degree by the amount of native material available for fence construction; and yet the eastern farms were fenced beyond all relationship to mere cheapness of materials. The fencing on many an old farm was worth as much in original cost and effort as the buildings. Now in very many cases these fences are being removed. This marks the passing of the old style of architecture. The small "mowing" and "plowings" and permanent fields are giving way to larger pasture ranges, or to soiling systems, or to rotations, or to other features of a rapidly changing industry. The relative absence of fences in the Middle West is due not only to the scarcity of stone and timber, but also to a different theory of farming.

The amount of land occupied by the fence system of the farms is also significant of the style of farming. It would seem to be a general rule that the less productive the land the less the care in cumbering it with fences, whereas one would expect the reverse of this to be the case. At all events, the relative amount of capital that can be put in fences is now a subject of careful consideration in all advanced teaching of farm economy; and the general tendency is to reduce it, not only from the point of view of cost of fence, but of the area of land that is occupied. In many parts of the country there is a growing tendency toward untidy fence-areas, due to the scarcity of labor; and the reduction of the fences has a distinct bearing on the cleanliness of the farm. In this regard, the wire fence marks a distinct advance.

The observant traveler can find few more interesting subjects of observation than the kind and the relative abundance of fences in the various parts of the country. The stone wall, which often literally dilapidates into a stone pile, the stump fencefi the rail fence, the wire fence—these all suggest the general character of the region and something of the type of its farming industries. The picket-inclosed garden is often a relic of the old idea of a garden as a precious bit of "beds" and plots where accessory and incidental things are grown. Nowadays we have come to think of a garden as a straight-away, resourceful and regular part of a complete farm enterprise. And the different styles of fences—what do they not suggest of the stage of mechanical ingenuity of the community or of customs that have become traditional?. Surely, the fence is significant.—Rural World.

THE BEST LINIMENT
OR PAIN KILLER FOR THE HUMAN BODY
Gombault's
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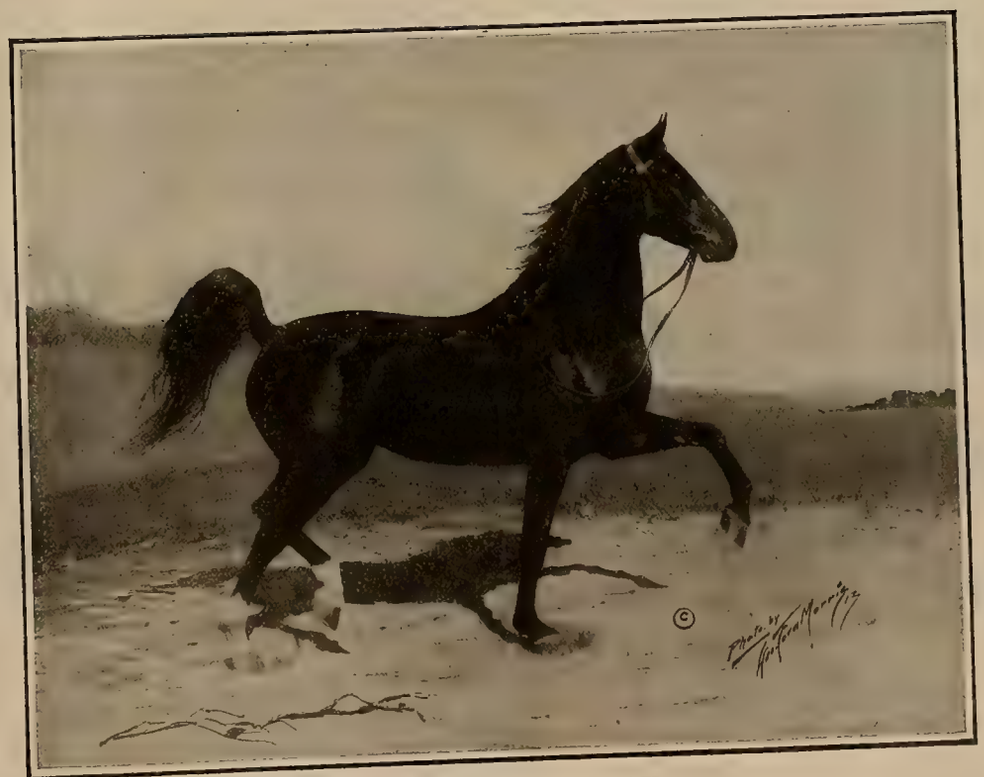
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MEETINGS TO COME

CALIFORNIA AND ARIZONA POINTS.

RIVERSIDE (Riverside District Fair).....Oct. 5-9
SAN FRANCISCO (P.-P. I. E.).....Oct. 30-Nov. 13
PHOENIX (Arizona State Fair).....Nov. 15-20

GREAT WESTERN CIRCUIT.

MUSKOGEE, OKLA. .....Oct. 4-9
PHOENIX, ARIZ. .....Nov. 15-20

GRAND CIRCUIT.

LEXINGTON, KY. .....October 4-16

ANOTHER BATCH OF SPRIGGANS.

The biggest bargain that has gone through a sale ring in many a day is the bay gelding Spriggan 2:08¼, which went through Charley DeRyder's last fall sale at seven hundred dollars. Various circumstances made him the "find" of the season, with his sale mate, Future Tramp, who sold for even less money, showing an even greater flight of speed and promising at present to be a stake horse of quality for 1916. The sales previously conducted by Mr. DeRyder have been the means of putting buyers and sellers in touch under conditions mutually profitable, and the sale of the present season bids fair to surpass all of its predecessors.

Quality of consignments counts for little at a sale unless the buyers are in evidence, and on the other hand the presence of buyers means nothing unless there is quality offered them as an inducement for bidding, and at the DeRyder sales these two important factors are always well balanced, as the promoter knows how to secure the presence of each. He certainly has hit upon a most opportune moment for the staging of the coming event, as is readily apparent to persons conversant with the general conditions existing on the coast.

While California has cut down the number of light harness horses she produces annually, quality has not been impaired, but improved, for the present crop of trotters and pacers in the hands of her breeders and campaigning owners is the peer or superior of any she has ever brought forth. The depressing feature of the situation lies in the fact that the present curtailing of racing here at home deprives them of their proper earning capacities, so that it is a case of "hit the trail for the outside" if much racing is to be done. As much of the pleasure of owning horses depends on seeing them race, the home demand is a light one.

The two weeks of racing early in November at the exposition, however, will bring to this city a great number of horsemen from the sections of the country where a high priced horse has a chance to win himself out in good shape, and Mr. DeRyder has chosen this time to bring together the California "quality" of horseflesh, and the visiting buyers who are justified by conditions in their localities in paying good prices for good horses. There are always a certain number of our own patrons of the sport who, even under adverse conditions, will go to a good figure for something that suits them, and when these gentlemen meet, the right horse will undoubtedly bring a few dollars more.

In order that the most people may be accommodated, the sale will be held at an advantageous point in this city, probably the riding school on Seventh Avenue, during the course of the trotting meeting, Nov. 1 to 13, inclusive, exact arrangements having not as yet been made. From the announcements of the early consignments there will be plenty of high class racing material to select from, any amount of it of genuine stake calibre, while the breeding stock offered will be of the giltedged variety. Consignments are solicited under Mr. DeRyder's usual terms and guarantees, and persons wishing to patronize the sale will find it mutually advantageous to list their horses at a very early date, thus getting the fullest benefit of the advertising always accorded the event. Mr. DeRyder should be addressed, as usual, at Pleasanton.

STARTING PAYMENTS IN COLT STAKES DUE FRIDAY, OCT. 22.

Friday, October 22, is the day designated as the date for the payment of starting fees for the various divisions of the colt stakes to be raced during the exposition meeting, November 1 to 13, the Occident alone excepted, payments therein having already been made. The stakes included are the Breeders' Futurity, the State Fair Futurity and the Stanford, remittances in the first named to be made to F. W. Kelley, Sec. P. C. T. H. B. A., 366 Pacific Building, San Francisco, while for the others the fees will be collected by Chas. W. Paine, Sec. California State Agricultural Society, Sacramento.

The schedule of events, date of contest as at present arranged, amount of starting payment, etc., is as follows:

Pacific Breeders' Futurity Stake No. 12, three-year-olds, foals of 1912—Trotting division, purse $2,800, Saturday, Nov. 13, $50; pacing division, purse $1,800, Saturday, Nov. 6, $35.

Pacific Breeders' Futurity Stake No. 13, two-year-olds, foals of 1913—Trotting division, purse $1,450, Thursday, Nov. 4, $35; pacing division, purse $1,200, Thursday, Nov. 11, $25.

Stanford Stake for 1915, three-year-old trotters, foals of 1912—Purse $1,200, Monday, Nov. 8, $20.

State Fair Futurity Stake No. 4, three-year-olds, foals of 1912—Trotting division, purse $2,000, Friday, Nov. 5, $50; pacing division, purse $1,500, Friday, Nov. 12, $35.

State Fair Futurity No. 5, two-year-olds, foals of 1913—Trotting division, purse $600, Tuesday, Nov. 9, $25; pacing division, purse $400, Wednesday, Nov. 10, $15.

"SAMPLING" THE WOODLAND CONSIGNMENT.

Not in recent years on the Pacific Coast has there been an offering of trotting stock at auction of the richness that characterizes, as a whole, the listings for the Woodland Stock Farm Sale which is to be held on Monday, October 25, at the farm at Woodland. Practically everything on the place is for sale, and only a very superficial scrutiny of the offerings is enough to reveal the fact that at this event, J. W. Considine is marketing animals, both old and young, that are of the kind not readily obtainable.

A review of every individual offered is impracticable at this moment, but it is a real pleasure to take the time and space for giving the "once over" to a few of the most striking examples of general desirability. Glance, for instance, at this one:

Bay filly, yearling, by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, dam Eocita by Moko; grandam Mendocita by Mendocino; great grandam Esther by Express. Can trot a forty gait.

Also, while we are letting this skeleton of a pedigree "soak in," here is another that can most readily be reviewed by coupling it with the foregoing:

Bay gelding, yearling by Bonaday 2:11½, dam Oniska by Nutwood Wilkes; grandam Bay Line by Direct Line. Trotter.

One of the fairy tales of the trotting turf at present is the story that goes with Mary Putney (3) 2:05½, winner of the senior trotting divisions of the Horseman, Horse Review and Kentucky futurities and holder of the world's record for her kind. We have in type to appear next week, a history of her ancestry as viewed by Volunteer, of the Horse Review, and it is well worth looking for. Suffice it for the time to say that in the yearlings listed above, western buyers have a chance to secure a pair of youngsters very closely related to the great futurity trotter, as Oniska is the dam of San Francisco 2:07¾, sire of the new champion, while Eocita and Mary Putney are half sisters. Both yearlings are trotters, and bear in mind also that Bonaday is siring speed and that yearlings by Prince Ansel have, in the last few weeks, gained two places among the world's champion trotters.

Another offering that brings world's champions to mind is this one:

Chestnut filly, weanling, by Peter the Great 2:07¼, dam Carrietta 2:18 (dam of four standard yearling trotters, including Suldine (1) 2:24¾, (2) 2:12, also holder of world's record, 2:13¼, for two-year-old trotters on a half-mile track) by Directman.

What a world of readable matter could be written about this filly, whose sire and dam each occupy a unique position among their kind. Peter the Great leads all stallions, living or dead, as a sire of extreme trotting speed, and his progeny have won more money on the turf this season than that of any other stallion. Year after year his worth is emphasized by great performances by trotters of all ages and sexes. Carrietta, for her part, is not only an excellent type of a matron from the standpoint of individuality, but is the world's leading producer of standard yearlings. Certainly a more pleasing "nick" could not be asked for than is exemplified by the blood lines of this aristocratic little lady.

So much for the youngsters for the present, though there are numerous other babies of exceptional quality, for here is one that will interest horsemen who wish something to take to the races next season:

Peter's Queen, bay mare (4) by Peter the Great 2:07¼, dam Sonoma Queen 2:25, trial 2:10½ (sister to Sonoma Girl 2:04¼).

More breeding of the kind to cause the pedigree student a thrill, and the pedigree has performance to go along with it. Mr. Dowling has this mare in training at present and states that she will beat 2:10 this fall, as she is ready now for halves better than a 2:10 gait, and quarters yet faster. Certainly she should make a trotter fast, game and lasting, one of the kind needed to go up against the game with in these days of two-minute performers.

The Woodland offering is a comprehensive one, running the scale from aged brood mares to foals of 1915, with futurity prospects and racing material galore. All the youngsters have stake engagements, and all the matrons to be sold were bred this season to one of the trio of stallions in service at the farm—Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, a sire of champions; Robert Bingen 2:11¼, one of the best bred of his family, or True Kinney 2:12¼, one of the most promising young sires of his generation of the great house of McKinney.

The quality and number of the farm's consignment will attract many buyers to the sale, and outside parties wishing to take advantage of this opportunity to market their surplus should get into communication with Mr. Dowling at once.

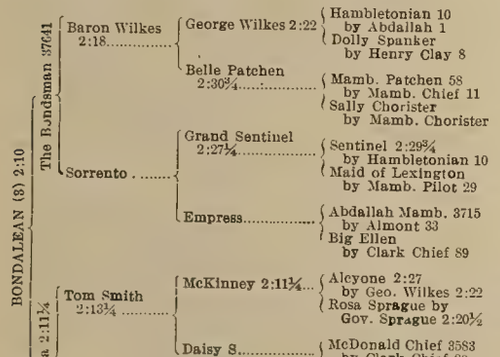
THOROUGHBRED SALES IN KENTUCKY.

Thoroughbred fanciers in the west who are recruiting their stables for future campaigns are reminded of the great array of youngsters, brood mares and stallions to be sold on Thursday, October 28, by the Powers-Hunter Company at Elmendorf Farm, Lexington, there being two separate lots to go under the hammer—the remainder of the thoroughbreds at Elmendorf and the entire holdings of Clay Brothers, Paris, Ky. From Elmendorf there is to go forth a famous band of stallions and mares and a goodly number of weanlings, the get of Uncle, The Manager, Sain, Hessian and Ballot, the get of the latter sire having been much sought after at recent sales. During the past season at the five sales held in New York, Saratoga and Lexington, twenty-one yearlings by Ballot brought $33,675, or an average of $1,603, which is a most excellent showing for this son of Voter and Cerito. The Clay consignment includes the stallion Magneto, by Star Shoot—Marie Frances, nearly a score of select matrons and over a dozen choice weanlings. The catalogs await your request and will be found valuable not only as a means of familiarizing yourself with the offerings, but for reference in the future.

Bondalean (3) 2:10 *and* Rayo de Oro (3) 2:09¾

The pacing division of Oregon Futurity Number Five, which was contested during the recent Oregon State Fair at Salem, occupies a distinctive position in that series of colt stakes, in that it was raced in record time for the event and place, and witnessed the achievement of 2:10 honors by both the winner and the contending entry, this being the first time that the charmed circle has ever been approached by a three-year-old pacer in the northwestern classic. Some years ago, before the futurity was established, the California colt Ray o' Light paced two heats over the Salem course in 2:09¼ and 2:10¼ in a three-year-old class race, but the futurity has been less blessed with fast performances. In 1911 Ruby Light won the first of the series in 2:16 and 2:16¾, the time of her first heat standing as the stake record until this season.

Weather conditions have been responsible to a large degree for the moderate time usually evidenced in both divisions of the colt events at Salem in recent years, and the pacers this season had a much better track to race over than did the trotters. Rayo de Oro took the first heat in 2:09¾, after which Bondalean went to the front for two heats in 2:10 and 2:12¼, with Rayo de Oro the contender in each mile. As they are both Californians and are due to meet again in the local stakes in November they are a very interesting pair of youngsters at the present moment. The tabulation of the winner's pedigree is as follows:



5th dam Carmel by Duvall's Mambrino.

Bondalean was bred by the late W. J. Miller of Chico, whose modest operations as a breeder of light harness horses met with an exceptional degree of success, and is without doubt one of the best colt pacers that California, the home of numerous colt champions at the lateral gait, has yet produced. He is the first of the get of The Bondsman bred on the coast to enter the 2:10 list, and his blood inheritance through his dam is of a quality amply in keeping with that imparted to him by his sire, for Katalina was not only a stoutly bred mare, as a glance at the accompanying tabulation reveals, but a rugged campaigner as well. As a two-year-old (1907) she won each of her three trotting engagements, including the Breeders' futurity, taking a record of 2:22½. The next season she made a more extensive campaign, being first in the events for trotters of her age at Salem, Portland, Spokane and North Yakima, as well as first in the Stanford stake here at home, second in the Occident and third in the Breeders' futurity, reducing her record to 2:15¼. She raced successfully for two more years on the local circuit, taking her present mark of 2:11¼ as a four-year-old at Chico. Kate Lumry, her dam, before being retired to the brood mare rank where she achieved fame as the dam of Baby Doll 2:10¼, Katalina 2:11¼, Ella Mac 2:11¼ and Eddie G. (2) 2:30, was also raced with a fair measure of success by J. W. Zibbell, achieving a record of 2:20½. Her dam, C. C. L. by Combat, while not a campaigner, was a producer of proven excellence, being the dam also of Sateen Onward 2:19¼ and the speed sire Montrose L.

Before turning from the consideration of ancestry to that of performance, it is interesting to note that Bondalean, his dam and his grandam have all won races over the course at Salem.

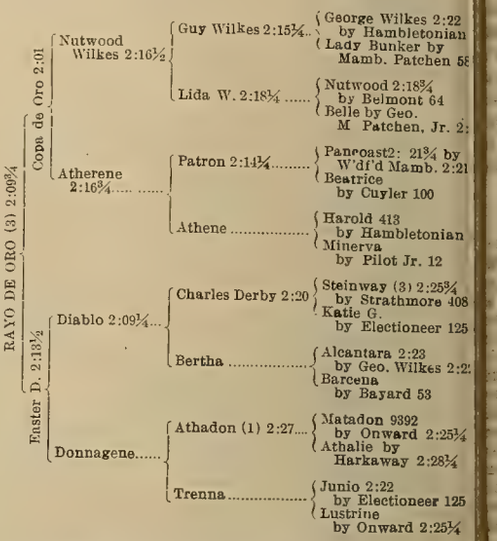
Bondalean, in the contest with Rayo de Oro, had the advantage of having had quite a bit of previous experience at the races, he having acquired the brackets last season as a two-year-old. He was then the property of his breeder, and as Mr. Miller's usual racing partner, Loren Daniels, was in the northwest, he was a member of the stable of Elmo Montgomery, who bobs up annually with a pacer or two of excellent quality. The colt developed a peculiar and puzzling trouble in his front feet which was not overcome until late in the season and which retarded his development considerably. At that he was second in the pacing division of the Breeders' futurity, winning one heat and going the entire race on his nerve, and at Pleasanton won the stake for the age and gait promoted by R. J. MacKenzie, his fastest time being 2:20½. He remained in Montgomery's charge until after the death of Mr. Miller, subsequently being sold to the canny Sacramento sportsman C. F. Silva, who preferred him to the one-time world's champion John Malcolm, also the property of the Miller estate. Before passing from Elmo's string, the latter gentleman had grown to consider him as a very likely candidate for championship honors, basing his opinion upon the comparison of development shown by this colt and that of the former three-year-old champ, Jim Logan 2:05½, who was educated and is still owned by Mr. Montgomery.

In the Silva stable, where he continued his education in the competent hands of his owner and Loren Daniels, Bondalean showed race horse qualities of an order that caused him to be entered in the 2:20 pace for amateur drivers at the June meeting of the P.-P. I. E., in which there were ten starters. In the first heat in 2:12¼ he was fourth to W. J. K., Frank Perry and Trix McAdrian owing to a break in the stretch under a drive, but he was the best of the lot in the succeeding miles, Mr. Silva putting him down in front in 2:12½ and 2:11¼. During the summer Mr. Silva has given him racing experience in the matinees in Sacramento and here in this city, his performances in both cities being of the notable kind. On August 1 at Sacramento he forced W. J. K. to pace in 2:07½ to win the first heat by a very narrow margin, then won the second in 2:10½ and was beaten by a neck in the third in the same notch. On August 22, over the three-quarter mile course in Golden Gate park, this city, he was not on edge but was second to Dick W. in 2:09¾ and 2:10½, while on the following Sunday he trimmed the local free-for-allers with a second heat in 2:08 and a third in 2:10½ after having been fourth the first time out in 2:12, an early break having cost him ground that his owner-driver did not ask him to make up.

Following this performance, his last before the Salem race, he was taken home and Mr. Silva offered to drive him in 2:05 on any kind of a wager, and it is the belief of many local horsemen and race followers, including the writer, that the colt was capable of such a performance. At any rate, Mr. Silva had no takers, and as his bank account could be invaded for a sum that would be mighty handy to plenty of horsemen during this off year, there must have been a very evident reason for the eloquent silence preserved by the "talent" subsequent to the issuing of Silva's "defi." Bondalean is a bay colt (some would call him brown) of good size and conformation, sound, and a great prospect for a successor to Teddy Bear 2:05 in Mr. Silva's esteem as well as for numerous future honors on the track. Had the customary racing been given this season on California tracks the writer thinks it highly probable that the youngster would have lowered William's three-year-old record of 2:05.

Bondalean, while bred in California, is not so thoroughly a "Native Son" as is Rayo de Oro, though perhaps a native son is a native son, no more, no less, under any circumstances. The Bondsman, while in service here, was not owned in the state nor did he come of California ancestry, while Rayo de Oro is distinctly a product of the Golden State, as were also his immediate ancestors, the pedigree appearing herewith having a pronounced California "tang" to even the "lay reader." Copa de Oro, Nutwood Wilkes, Guy Wilkes, Atherene, Diablo, Steinway, Bertha, Athadon, Electioneer and many others among the names in evidence are words that have a familiar ring in the ears of many, many people who are not "horsemen" by any means. The pedigrees are notable for the intensification of the blood of Hamb tonian 10 in each, and the colts that they repres have in common these further prime requisites greatness—each one has a good sire and a good da

Copa de Oro is the first and only two-minute pa bred in California, for though his official record but 2:01 he was deprived of a mark of 1:59 on technicality at the same course where his first 2: performer, Contention B., was hard-lucked out of place in the table of world's champions — Phoen the Arizona capital seeming to have its finge crossed whenever Will Durfee appears on its o skirts. Given due credit for an actual, honest p formance, Copa de Oro ranks fifth among the pace in point of speed, and none have ever gainsaid M Durfee's claim that he is the best bred of the tw minute delegation. An active and successful parti pant in several campaigns, his stud opportuniti were very limited until quite recent years, but of t early crops of foals by him there are known to t writer at least four three-year-olds who have beat 2:10, two of them, Contention B. and Rayo de Or being "in the books," the latter being the first achieve a race record inside that limit.



5th dam Minnie Wren by Challenger 1064
6th dam Valencia by Cassius M. Clay Jr. 22
7th dam by Abdallah 15
8th dam by Coeur de Lion.

Easter D., dam of Rayo de Oro, was bred by Louis Stock of Fresno and was foaled his property in 1906 passing at an early age to James Stewart of Los An geles, whose property she yet remains. The lass was engaged in the Breeders' futurity and was bred to be a fast performer, her sire being Diablo 2:09¼, the best son of Charles Derby 2:20 and the incomparable Bertha, while her dam was Donnagene, by the one-time champion yearling trotter Athadon (1) 2:27. Mr. Stewart fitted the filly as a two-year-old, and at Chico she took the junior pacing division of the Breeders' classic in 2:15¾ and 2:13½, the field defeated including the future great campaigners Jim Logan and Teddy Bear. By a bit of misfortune for her owner, but fortune for some other folks, the speedy young miss was put out of commission before another season rolled around and has never appeared again at the races.

Tough luck though this was, Easter D. wasn't the kind of property that fails to bear interest on the investment, and as a brood mare she has brought some very nice large yellow bills to aid in upholstering the interior fittings of her lengthy owner's pocket book, a number of her foals having been disposed of by him for excellent figures. She was put to breeding early, and produced her first foal in 1910 to the cover of Zolock—a filly which never got to the races. Her next foal was Patrick de Oro (3) 2:22¼, who won two three-year-old races in Canada and worked a Canadian two-lap track at that age in 2:08¼; he was purchased by J. W. McClain of Monarch, Alta., and has remained in Stewart's hands, developing into a fast horse and due to start here in November. Then came Rayo de Oro (3) 2:09¾, purchased by J. S. Nickerson of Los Angeles and turned over to Will Durfee with the results just evidenced; her next foal, full brother to the foregoing pair, went to S. S. Bailey of Pleasanton and is being developed carefully for an aged campaigner, having shown speed to date of a most satisfactory nature. She has been a regular producer to the cover of Copa de Oro, and

There are more of this brand yet to be heard from. On back of the cross to Athadon there are yet some generations of sturdy blood, the dam of Donnabine being Trenna (dam also of Con Brino 2:14½) by Dionio 2:22, the son of Electioneer 125 who sired the dams of George G. 2:05¼, Athasham 2:09¼ and Dunham 2:09¾, Trenna's dam being Lustrine, a triple-producing daughter of the mighty Onward 2:25¼. In their turn come Minnie Wren by Challenge 1064, an excellent son of Almont 33, then Valencia by Casius M. Clay Jr. 22, sire of the dams of Del Norte 2:08 and Chehalis 2:04¼. To this point the dams are standard and registered, and still beyond this comes a daughter of Abdallah 15. Most readers will agree with the writer in his opinion that "there is a reason" for the quality displayed by Bondalean and Bayo de Oro.

Both youngsters are among the eligibles to the pacing divisions of the futurities to be raced here next month, and their next meeting is awaited with much interest. The writer has not as yet had opportunity of viewing the Copa de Oro pacer, but understands from others that he lacks a bit of his opponent's size and conformation. Certain it is that he must be a perfect gentleman in harness if he surpasses him in behavior, and the preponderance of Bondalean's racing experience leads to a bit of "leaning" toward the latter in the writer's favor. Sure it is that they are great colts, nor are they the only ones in sight, and given good luck on weather and fitness of the starters on race days the coast futurities may have a new pacing mark before they are raced to a decision.

BRADMONT PACES IN 2:08¾.

Sunday was another one of "those days" and the stadium fun drivers and their friends appreciated it very much indeed, a good crowd turning out to witness four excellent races and one fair one, eight of the twelve heats being contested in time below 2:15, five of them in 2:12 or better.

"Pitying glances" were the order of the day for Bradmont and Happy Dentist when the spectators saw them pitted against Little Bernice and Dick W. in the free-for-all pace, but as things turned out the crowd was wasting sympathy, as Happy and Braddy were there like wolves. One thing seems very certain, and that is that when Jimmy Ryan sells a horse he includes the recipe with the halter and the bill of sale, as Happy Dentist, just purchased by Freddie Lauterwasser, was fit as could be, going the best race of his career for the three-quarters course. The first heat fell to Happy in 2:10½, with one A. Ottinger a close second with Dick W., Bradmont bringing up the rear guard in safety. Next time out Machado hung close up throughout the mile, and in a clever finish put Bradmont in front at the wire by a small margin in 2:08¾, Happy making a grand effort, with Dick W. and Little Bernice not dangerously close. Just to show that they were really racing, the two aged geldings went at it for blood again in the third, and this time Happy "took his evens" by winning by about the same margin by which he had lost in the second. Little Bernice was unsteady at various points, and Dick W., while never breaking a pace, seemed to lack the customary and necessary sizzle.

Lucia S., the Marysville pacer, showed herself to be up to a nice race in the first event, stepping a bit faster each time out and disposing of her field handily after dropping the first heat to Emma M., Billy Malough's reliable mare. The girls started in at 2:14½, went to 2:12 and wound up in 2:11½—so a couple more would have put 'em in the ten list, perhaps. Victor Pointer and Ateka were straight heat winners, as was Ottinger's bay trotter Agnes Carter, the latter lass trotting the best heat of the season for the Stadium oval—2:13. On a regulation track she looked up to a mile around 2:10, as she was not called on for anything worth mentioning. As per usual, Jimmy Ryan did the starting and lost no time about it. The details:

2:15 pace:
Lucia S. .....(J. E. Strain) 3 1 1
Emma M. .....(Wm. Malough) 1 2 2
King Pointer .....(H. Campodonico) 2 4 3
Senator H. .....(J. Kidd) 4 5 4
Mabel Dillon .....(B. Cohen) 5 3 5
Time—2:14½, 2:12, 2:11½.

2:18 pace:
Victor Pointer .....(D. W. Keating) 1 1
G. J. P. .....(R. Consani) 2 2
Rosey O. .....(J. J. Ryan) 3 3
Time—2:19, 2:15½.

Free-for-all pace:
Happy Dentist .....(Fred Lauterwasser, Jr.) 1 2 1
Bradmont .....(G. J. Giannini) 4 1 2
Dick W. .....(A. Ottinger) 2 3 3
Little Bernice .....(J. C. Welsh) 3 4 4
Time—2:10½, 2:08¾, 2:09½.

Free-for-all trot:
Agnes Carter .....(A. Ottinger) 1 1
Matawan .....(H. Cohen) 2 2
Francis S. .....(J. E. Strain) 3 4
Birdeye .....(A. Combatalade) 4 3
Time—2:13, 2:14.

2:20 mixed:
Ateka .....(B. Cohen) 1 1
Lassie M. .....(M. M. Bates) 2 2
Time—2:22½, 2:19.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

NINTH DAY AT COLUMBUS.

Columbus, Sept. 30.—The Arch City stake for 2:10 pacers, four heats of which were contested yesterday and two today, was not only one of the greatest contests ever witnessed here, but its decision brought forth some new world's records. The time for yesterday's heats was 2:03½, 2:03¼, 2:02½ and 2:04¼, and the heat winners of yesterday came back strong today, Russell Boy winning the fifth lap by a very narrow margin from plucky little Hal Boy in 2:03¼, clipping a quarter of a second from the fifth heat record of 2:03½ established two years ago at Lexington by Frank Bogash Jr. The sixth heat also went to Geers' mount in 2:03¼, equaling R. H. Brett's Detroit record, while the race in its entirety constitutes a record performance for a six heater by a matter of two and one-half seconds. In the 2:13 pace, also continued from yesterday, the original favorite, Camelia, came to life today and threatened to make good for a time, but couldn't beat Dwight Logan in the long run, the local horse's victory being a popular one.

Curt Gosnell and Single G. fortified themselves further against the rigors of an Indiana winter by laying up a little more feed money in the Board of Trade pace, but the pair had competition of a dangerous kind, Beth Clark grabbing the first two heats while the Hoosiers ate a little dust as an appetizer. Our Colonel, with Frank Childs up, went the most consistent race of the three leaders, being the contender in each heat. General Todd, at last getting away from Miss Harris M., had nothing against him in the field for the pacing division of the Horseman futurity to make him display championship form, winning as he pleased in time around 2:10.

Mirthful annexed the 2:08 trot in straight heats, but the 2:09 pace brought out two heat-winners, Fern Hal and Fred Russell, before being postponed until tomorrow. The summaries:

Columbus, Sept. 30.—2:13 pace, purse $1,200 (first two heats Sept. 28):
Dwight Logan, br h by Bert Logan.....
.....(Valentine) 1 1 4 6 1
Camelia, br m by Cummer.....(Cox) 3 5 1 2 2
Tramp a Bit, ro h by Trampfast (Jamison) 7 2 2 1 3
Grace D., Ross Keith, Gilbert M., Pauline Hilda and Admiral Dewey II. also started.
Time—2:06¼, 2:05½, 2:07, 2:08¼, 2:10½.

Arch city, 2:10 pace, purse $3,000 (first four heats Sept. 29):
Russell Boy, b h by Rustic Patenter....
.....(Geers) 2 4 2 1 1 1
Judge Ormonde, bl h by Ormonde.....
.....(Valentine) 7 1 1 2 3 3
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.....(McMahon) 1 2 3 6 2 2
The Beaver, Queen Abbess, Peter Farren, The Importer and Fred Mack also started.
Time—2:03½, 2:03¼, 2:02½, 2:04¼, 2:03¼, 2:03¾.

Board of Trade, 2:07 pace, purse $3,000:
Single G., b h by Anderson Wilkes (Gosnell) 3 6 1 1 1
Beth Clark, bl m by Joe Patchen(Valentine) 1 1 3 7 3
Our Colonel, b h by Colonel Cochran(Childs) 2 2 2 2 2
Major Ong, Rastus, Tommy D., Aconite and May E. Pick also started.
Time—2:03¼, 2:04¼, 2:03¼, 2:06¼, 2:03½.

Horseman Futurity, three-year-old pacers, purse $2,000:
General Todd, b c by George Todd.....(Rea) 1 1 1
Lady Aubrey, br f by Captain Aubrey..(Snedeker) 2 2 3
Sad Thoughts, b f by Bingen.....(Cox) 4 3 2
Arkancello and Dorothy de Forest also started.
Time—2:09¼, 2:10¾, 2:10¼.

2:08 trot, purse $1,200:
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen..(Murphy) 1 1 1
St. Frisco, b h by San Francisco.....(Geers) 2 2 2
Harry J. S., bl h by Admiral Dewey.....(Tyson) 3 3 6
Willgo, Nata Prime and Hazel Laing also started.
Time—2:08¼, 2:06¼, 2:08½.

2:08 pace, purse $1,200 (unfinished):
Fern Hal, bl m by Gold Hal.....(McPherson) 1 1 4
Fred Russell, b g by Little Frank.....(Hersey) 8 2 1
Jean, b m by Flosko.....(Murphy) 2 3 2
Aretta V., Kate McKinney, Fleeta Dillon, Peter Chimes, Baron A., Altawood and The Climax also started.
Time—2:06¼, 2:05¼, 2:05¼.

Tenth Day at Columbus.

Columbus, Oct. 2.—Rain caused an interruption in the regular program yesterday, and when racing was resumed today it was over a track that was none too fast. Fred Russell from Harry Hersey's string, had small difficulty in winning the 2:09 pace, carried over from Thursday, Fern Hal failing to figure as a contender in today's section of the event. Peter Scott paid another dividend on his thirty-thousand-dollar capitalization by taking the big end of the Buckeye stake in straight heats, with Worthy Prince the contender throughout the race.

Lustrous McKinney, Texas Jim and Wilbur S. indulged in a give and take contest for five heats, with Rodney's pacer having the best of the deal at the end of the fifth heat, when the race was declared finished. Seneca Boy won the first heat of the 2:15 trot, with Trampright next to last, after which the roan son of Trampfast carried Murphy to the front for two wins, the sundown clause bringing the race and the meeting to a close. The details:

Columbus, Oct. 2.—2:09 pace, purse $1,200 (first three heats Sept. 30):
Fred Russell, b g by Little Frank..(Hersey) 8 2 1 1 1
Fern Hal, bl m by Gold Hal..(McPherson) 1 1 3 5 4
Jean, b m by Flosko.....(Murphy) 2 3 2 6 3
Altawood, Aretta V., Kate McKinney, Fleeta Dillon, Peter Chimes, Baron A. and The Climax also started.
Time—2:06¼, 2:05¼, 2:05¼, 2:06¼, 2:06½.

Buckeye Stake, 2:12 trotters, purse $5,000:
Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great....(Murphy) 1 1 1
Worthy Prince, b h by Prince McKinney....(Cox) 2 2 2
Miss Directed, br m by Directwell..(Valentine) 4 4 3
Lettie Lee, Alice McGregor, Evelyn D. and Sadie S. also started.
Time—2:08¼, 2:09¼, 2:08½.

2:11 pace, purse $1,200:
Lustrous McKinney, b g by McKinney....
.....(Rodney) 1 2 1 2 2
Texas Jim, ch g by Texas Jack(V. Fleming) 2 3 8 1 1
Wilbur S., br g by Anderson Wilkes (Gosnll) 8 1 9 3 3
Wait and See, Lord Seymour, All Direct, Tommy Direct, Spring Maid and Virginia Brooks also started.
Time—2:07¼, 2:06½, 2:07½, 2:07¼, 2:11¼.

2:15 trot, purse $1,200 (declared finished):
Trampright, ro h by Trampfast.....(Murphy) 10 1 1
Seneca Boy, ch g by King Entertainer.....
.....(W. Fleming) 1 3 3
.....(Pierce) 2 2 2
Vanko, b h by Moko.....
Roy Miller, R. F. V., Bertha Carey, Cacus Star, Pittsburg, Willow Mack, Rose D. and Don Blazes also started.
Time—2:10¼, 2:08½, 2:10.

OREGON STATE FAIR.

[Report by Anozira.]

Sept. 30.—This is "Portland Day" and the way the people are crowding each other in the spacious grounds of the Oregon State Fair leads one to think there are as many on the grounds today as were here yesterday. Everybody is wearing a smile today. It is big Thursday and no rain. The wind seems to be shifting southward and the "old-timers" and weather prophets say look "out, rain is in sight." It did not rain today, and "sufficient unto the day," etc., is good enough for anybody.

The racing today was classy, California being represented in the long end of the summaries by Charley Spencer with Bonnie Ansel and Lon Daniels with Teddy Bear.

One of the features of this year's fair is the relay race. In previous years E. A. Armstrong has carried off the honors, but it would seem he has met his Waterloo as George Drumheller is out-changing and out-riding him. What makes this relay most interesting is the fact that all the outfits are composed of thoroughbreds and some very fast half-miles have been run carrying a full sized man and twenty-five pound saddle. The summary:

Sept. 30.—2:20 pace, purse $700:
Jennie May, br m by Hal B.....(Lindsay) 1 1 1
Belle Smith, br m by The Blacksmith.....
.....(W. Hogoboom) 2 2 2
Duke, b g by Admiral W.....(McNair) 3 5 3
Helen Hal, b m by Hal B.....(Smith) 4 3 4
Ruth Hal, b m by Hal B.....(Sawyer) 5 4 5
Marlin b g by Dialect.....(H. Hogoboom) ds
Time——

2:12 trot, purse $2,000:
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel.....(Spencer) 1 1 1
Amy McKinney, bl m by McKinney...(Wilbourne) 2 2 2
Dan Matthews, b g by Eagle Blood.....(Brown) 4 3 3
Sargo, b g by Keeler.....(Swisher) 3 4 4
Time—2:13, 2:13¼, 2:15¼.

Free-for-all trot or pace, purse $——.
Teddy Bear, b h by Del Coronado.....(Silva) 1 1 1
Hal Edo, b m by Hal B.....(Archer) 2 4 2
Allerdaw, br g by Allertonian....(W. Hogoboom) 4 2 3
Hal Bear, b h by Hal B.....(Lindsay) 3 3 4
Time—2:09¼, 2:09¼, 2:12.

Oct. 1.—The weather man maintained his reputation. The 54th Annual Fair was not exempt from rain. It began to rain about midnight and kept it up until about 10:30 this morning with the result, a heavy track and slower time than on preceding days. There was a very fair crowd in the grandstand and every heat was applauded. The time, being slow, gives no indication of the contests. Every heat in both races was fought from wire to wire.

What will be doing tomorrow is problematical as the wind is still in the rainy quarter and the barometer falling gradually. The summaries:

Oct. 1.—2:20 trot, purse $700:
Floradora Z., b m by Zombro.....(Guion) 1 2 1
Novela, b m by Letrado.....(Stetson) 2 1 2
Sea Waif, b m by The King Red.....(McManus) 4 3 3
Eloise Dell, br m by Alconda Jay.....(Daniels) 3 4 4
Zomdell also started.
Time—2:19½, 2:19½, 2:20.

Special pace, purse $——.
Delmas, ch g by Dialect.....(Wilbourne) 1 1 2
William G., ch g by Clarence Wilkes....(Duncan) 2 2 1
Belle Smith, br m by The Blacksmith.....
.....(W. Hogoboom) 3 3 4
Jennie May, br m by Hal B.....(Lindsay) 4 4 3
Ruth Hal also started.
Time—2:18¾, 2:21, 2:21.

Oct. 2.—This is "getaway day." It has rained all night and the track is a regular lob-lolly of mud. True to form, the Oregon State Fair does not let rain interfere with racing. As a consequence two races are carded for today, the 2:25 pace and a special trot, both races for $500 each. It had been hoped the track would be good today as it was slated to start Mr. Silva's colt Bondalean for the Northwest coast record and the 2:25 pace bid fair to be the best race of the season, as this would be the last opportunity for the contenders to try issues this year. But it was another illustration of the truth of Burns' saying, "the best laid plans," etc., and while there was only about 500 in the grandstand and the track a real sea of mud, the audience enjoyed the sport and the deep-sea sailors seemed to enjoy the mud.

This breaks up the 1915 circuit. As arranged this year it was an expensive proposition for the horsemen because the "ships" were so long. If it might be arranged to take in a few more localities and make the shipping shorter and less expensive, the horsemen would appreciate it more and a greater number of starters would appear in every race. There is considerable talk along this line now and it is barely possible that another year may see this accomplished. The work of Judge McNair was up to form and was enjoyed by every one present. The details:

Oct. 2.—2:25 pace, purse $500:
Mack Fitzsimmons, ch g by Bob Fitzsimmons..
.....(Helman) 1 1 1
Lady Hal, b m by Hal B.....(W. Hogoboom) 2 2 2
Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro.....(Daniels) 3 3 3
Hal Bear, b g by Hal B.....(Lindsay) 4 4 ds
Lena Patch and High Ho also started.
Time—2:25, 2:25, 2:28¾.

Special trot, purse $500:
Kid Cupid, ch g by Cupid.....(Daniels) 1 1 1
Nuristo, br g by Nushagak.....(Spencer) 2 2 2
Dan Matthews, b g by Eagle Blood.....(Brown) 3 3 3
Zomdell, b g by Zombro.....(Archer) 4 4 4
Amy McKinney also started.
Time—2:33, 2:40, 2:35.

Horse Show Entertains and Instructs

The long awaited P.-P. I. E. horse show began at nine o'clock on the morning of Thursday, September thirtieth, and has been a daily feature at the exposition, Sundays excepted, continuing to and including Wednesday of next week. Breeding classes were judged in the mornings in the stock stadium in the center of the cluster of barns which house the hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of horseflesh present, and the performance classes have been shown in the specially prepared ring in the infield of the racetrack. The morning affairs have been of an educational nature, while those of the afternoon have not only educated but entertained, the latter events partaking largely of the general characteristics of the accepted form of the "society horse show," with western "trimmings."

The breeding classes of the standard bred trotting division were judged by Walter Palmer on the first morning, and while the quality displayed was of an unusual order, the number of entries was deplorably light, due to a number of reasons. The majority of the breeders of trotters are campaigners as well, and most of the California horsemen who would have been patrons of the show ring if possible, found themselves away at the races. The show classes at our state and county fairs usually surpass those of the P.-P. I. E. in the standard classes, simply because breeders find them convenient for them to take part in, being held during the same dates on which racing is also conducted.

Five entries were made in the class for stallions four-year-old and over, the awards going in the order named to C. W. Winter's Alhambra Prince, L. H. Todhunter's Peter McKlyo, D. E. Hoffman's Tom Smith, John N. Colomb's Onward McGregor, and D. E. Hoffman's Jonesie Mac.

Only one two-year-old stallion was shown in that class, F. S. Turner's Exponent Mac, by The Exponent. Weanling stallions had but one representative, Chas. Butters' foal by The Bondsman out of Lottie Lynwood, sister to Sonoma Girl, and S. Christenson's Minnie Bond had no competition in the class for two-year-old mares. Two other classes had but one exhibitor, S. Christenson with the produce of Perza in the class for produce of single mare, and F. S. Turner with the get of The Exponent in that division.

Yearling stallions were more in evidence, S. H. Cowell's Peter C. being returned the winner over Frank Turner's F. S. Jennings, L. H. Todhunter's McKlyo Boy and Frank Turner's F. S. McGaffery. In the yearling filly class Mr. Todhunter's Charlotte McKlyo was placed over Mr. Cowell's Dora C., thus evening up matters in a friendly showing feud between Harry Cowell and Col. Jim Thompson. Jim was "between the devil and the deep sea," as some seasons back he purchased Peter McKlyo from Patchen Wilkes Farm for Mr. Todhunter, and last fall brought out Peter C. and Dora C. for Harry Cowell, all three of the youngsters named being by Peter the Great. To make the Colonel's predicament more precarious he showed Leavitt Todhunter's horses in person, but Mr. Palmer's awards allowed both the patrons of the judgment of Genial Jeems to be well satisfied.

Among the mares, four-year-olds or over, S. Christenson's Elna was Mr. Palmer's choice, with Mr. Todhunter's Sweet Bow second and Mr. Butters' Lottie Lynwood third. The light harness horses have also fared well in the performance classes in the afternoons and have held up their end of the show in first class style.

While the trotters in evidence were less numerous than was hoped for, the show in every other branch has come up to expectations in a striking manner. The draft horses are there in abundance and of unsurpassed quality, coming not only from the farms of the coast but from the middle west as well. Shetlands, Hungarians and Welsh ponies please the kids and older folks as well, and the park drivers, hackneys, Morgans and gaited saddlers are all profusely represented, the gaited saddlers being especially popular with the visitors. The pick of the land is present, and they are most welcome.

Nor is that other useful animal, the ass, neglected in the exposition's offerings, for big mealey nose fellows with heads, ears and underpinning apparently all out of proportion to their bodies are occupying comfortable stalls and drawing cash and ribbons and the visitors' attention, which is what they came for. The most prominent farms are represented in the exhibits of draft and utility animals and saddle and show horses, and will be given due attention in a special "horse show" number of the Breeder and Sportsman which will be forthcoming in the near future.

While the competitive events are held in the rings under duly prescribed rules and regulations, the "real show" is always open in the barns and always going on. The number of visitors that make the trips up one aisle and down another is amazing, and from morning till night the attendants and owners are busy answering questions and giving information concerning their animals. Out in the show rings the contestants achieve honor and glory—in the stables the owners and exhibitors come face to face with the brother breeder and the prospective customer, while the visitor learns at first hand the true value of "pedigree" in livestock, how this result and that result has been accomplished, and how he himself may best improve his own holdings in horseflesh.

It is a great show, and its results will be far-reaching. By all means see the afternoon performances, and spend what time you can in the barns. You will find yourself rewarded for the trip.

FIRST DAY AT LEXINGTON.

Lexington, Oct. 4.—With the Castleton Cup for free-for-all trotters as the feature of its card, the forty-third annual meeting of the K. T. H. B. A. commenced here this afternoon under pleasing conditions—good weather and good track, a record crowd for opening day in attendance, and some great racing.

Peter Volo, champion trotter for the ages of two, three and four years, took the Castleton Cup in straight heats from a field of five great trotters, and in so doing not only made a material reduction in the best time previously recorded for that event but also hung up a new record for a two heat race by a stallion, which has been held since 1910 by The Harvester. The champion's time for the two miles was 2:04¼, 2:03¼, made at North Randall in an event in which he was driven out in each heat by the California mare, Sonoma Girl, so the record of Peter Volo, 2:02½, 2:02¾, is a decided cut from the old figures. Margaret Druien and Ross B. alternated as the principal contenders, and the time has not been surpassed in a trotting race on the Grand Circuit this season.

Alonzo McDonald and the roan mare Duchess "got together" today for about the first time this season, winning the 2:10 trot in one-two-three order from Exall and Bonington, the latter horse piloted by his old teamster, Johnny Dickerson. Fay Richmond took the 2:07 pacers into camp handily, winning the first heat from the Canadian sidewheeler, Billy Brino, in 2:06¼. The second was not so easy for him, as Frank Childs had the wrinkles ironed out of Our Colonel's hide by that time and forced the Indiana pair to ramble a real mile and cut their winrace record to 2:03¾.

Fred Egan and May Direct topped the summary in the 2:14 pace, but had company all the way, Margie Hal taking the second heat but tiring in the third and fourth. William was on the boards for a spin against his own record to wagon, but the event was carried over by mutual consent. The summaries:

Lexington, Oct. 4.—2:10 trot, purse $1,000:
Duchess, ro m by Allerteen.....(McDonald) 1 1 1
Exall, br h by Exalted.....(Pearse) 2 2 5
Bonington, ch h by Bellini.....(Dickerson) 3 9 2
Nata Prime, Todd Temple, Willgo, Lady Grattan, Bertha Carey, Nathan Axworthy and Signal Boy also started.
Time—2:07¾, 2:07¼, 2:08.

2:07 pace, purse $1,000:
Fay Richmond, gr g by New Richmond.....(Jones) 1 1
Billy Brino, b g by Wildbrino.....(V. Fleming) 2 6
Our Colonel, b h by Colonel Cochran.....(F. Childs) 8 2
Rastus, Auto Zombro, Lillian T., The Assessor, Princess Margaret, Polly Ann and Homer Baughman also started.
Time—2:06¼, 2:03¾.

The Castleton Cup, free-for-all trot, purse $3,000:
Peter Volo, br h by Peter the Great.....(Murphy) 1 1
Margaret Druien, b m by Peter the Great....(Cox) 2 3
Ross B., b g by Petronius.....(Wright) 5 2
Joan and Maymack also started.
Time—2:02½, 2:02¾.

2:14 pace, purse $1,000:
May Direct, b m by Very Direct.....(Egan) 1 5 1 1
Margie Hal, b m by Devil Hal.....(Rea) 2 1 3 2
Tango, br h by Directly.....(Todd) 5 2 7 4
Budd Elliott, Lady Venus, Rockline, Colonel Ellsworth and Lady J. also started.
Time—2:06¾, 2:08½, 2:07¼, 2:09½.

Second Day at Lexington.

Lexington, Oct. 5.—Mary Putney, the really and truly "sensation" of the season in trotting circles, added $8,500 to her bank account here today by taking the senior trotting division of the Kentucky futurity in straight heats. While the great daughter of San Francisco and Mendocita was never fully extended and had command of the situation at all times, the contest was in keeping with other famous events of the same series, and added one more world's record to those already credited to the stake, as Mary Putney's second mile has not only never been beaten but twice in the futurity, but constitutes a new mark for fillies of the age and gait, the former figures of 2:06½ having been established five years ago over the local track by Native Belle in a performance against time, the comparison of the conditions making Mary Putney's achievement just so much more impressive. Humfast and Colorado Range both trotted good races and were second and third, respectively, in each heat.

That Charley DeRyder secured a real good sort of a trotter in Governor Mason was pretty well evidenced this afternoon when the California teamster won his first Grand Circuit event for the season with the Kansas lad—a five timer at that. Eleven horses took the word in the first heat and the Governor rapidly fixed himself up for a win in 2:08¼, though Peter Billiken gave him a stout challenge in the stretch. The Governor again went to the front in the second but dropped back when collared at the head of the stretch, finishing in fifth position, while the third heat found him clear at the tail end of things, both miles going to Valentine's entry with Abu Taleb second. The Governor was right a ready from then on and handled his field as he pleas for the fourth and fifth.

Earl Jr., ten years old and with most of those t years spent in harness, gave a real demonstration quality by taking the 2:04 pacers into camp in t fast miles, the first one equaling his record perfor ance of 1912 at Columbus. Cox trailed R. H. Br and Single G. well into the stretch and then took c to win from Brett by half a length, the time bei :31, 1:00½, 1:31 and 2:01½. Similar tactics prevail in the second, with Single G. the contender. Gra was fined $100 for taking out on the upper turn a allowing Single G. to come through on the po Savoy won the first two heats of the 2:20 pace fro Peter Worthy, Presolite and Silver Brush, aft which the event was caried over. William made a unsuccessful attempt to lower his wagon record 1:59½, pacing the route at that hitch in 1:59¾, a will try it again later in the week. The day detail:

Lexington, Oct. 5.—2:13 trot, purse $1,000:
Governor Mason, b h by Colonel Mason....
.....(DeRyder) 1 5 10 1
Peter Billiken, ch h by Peter the Great....
.....(Valentine) 2 1 1 4
Abu Taleb, br g by Geo. A. Fuller..(Loomis) 3 2 2 10
Audrey Grey, Strafford, Jack K., Alice McGregor, Ros D., Minnie Burns, Lottie Simmons and Ben Gregor als started.
Time—2:08¼, 2:08¼, 2:10¾, 2:10¼, 2:12½.

2:04 pace, purse $1,000:
Earl Jr., gr h by The Earl.....(Cox) 1
Single G., b h by Anderson Wilkes.....(Gosnell) 3
R. H. Brett, b g by Waponee.....(Grady) 2
Little Prince, Sayde Densmore, Fred Russell and Leli Patchen also started.
Time—2:01½, 2:03¾.

Kentucky Futurity, three-year-old trotters, purse $14,000:
Mary Putney, b f by San Francisco.....(McMahon) 1
Humfast, b f by Trampfast.....(Murphy) 2
Colorado Range, b c by Colorado E.....(McDonald) 3
Bacelli, Native Spirit, Deroche, Onward Forbes an Petress Burton also started.
Time—2:08¼, 2:06¼.

2:20 pace, purse $1,000 (unfinished):
Savoy, br g by Charley Hayt.....(Van Valkenburg) 1
Peter Worthy, b c by Guy Axworthy.....(Murphy) 2
Presolite, bl m by Don Varick.....(Geers) 4
Silver Brush, gr g by Bobby Burns.....(Stout) 3

Third Day at Lexington.

Lexington, Oct. 6.—Volga, the two-year-old siste to Peter Bolo, with whom the Pastime Stable ha made a clean sweep of the trotting futurities i which she was entered, continued her winning habi today in the junior division of the Kentucky futurity her miles in 2:07¾ and 2:09¾, setting a new world's record for a two-heat race by a filly of the age and gait. Walnut Tree was the closest contender but the chestnut prodigy was never in difficulty.

Savoy came back strong in the unfinished 2:20 pace and proved up on his claim to first money by beating his field in 2:07½, two and one-half seconds faster than his best time yesterday. Ames Albingen and Alonzo McDonald were invincible in the 2:21 trot and won in straight heats and good time, the bay horse displaying none of the unsteadiness that has delayed the result in a few other engagements.

Napoleon Direct and Peter Stevens had two apiece when the Tennessee was postponed, with "Nap" the popular horse of the contest. The son of Walter Direct annexed the first heat in handy fashion in 2:02, but Braden Direct pushed him out a bit faster in the second. In the third he broke coming into the stretch, but settled for a fast brush that landed him at the wire only a nose behind Peter Stevens, the crowd's cheers for Marse Edward showing that he was thought by the public to have won the heat. The fourth heat was a hardluck one, Nap and Braden Direct locking sulky wheels in front of the stand; Egan was thrown from his seat but unhurt. The judges levied an assessment of one hundred bucks on Ben Whitehead's roll for laying up the first heat with Flower Direct. Four heat winners in as many heats caused the 2:09 pace to be carried over. A bad mixup in the second heat resulted in nothing more serious than a few bruises and scratches. The summary:

Lexington, Oct. 6.—2:20 pace, purse $1,000 (first two heats Oct. 5):
Savoy, br g by Charley Hayt...(Van Valkenburg) 1 1 1
Peter Worthy, b c by Guy Axworthy....(Murphy) 2 3 2
Presolite, bl m by Don Varick.....(Geers) 4 2 3
Silver Brush, gr g by Bobby Burns.....(Stout) 3 4 4
Time—2:10, 2:11¾, 2:07½.

2:21 trot, purse $1,000:
Ames Albingen, b h by Albingen....(McDonald) 1 1 1
Judge Jones, br g by Prodigal.....(Geers) 2 2 2
Idora Worthy, b m by Guy Axworthy..(Rodney) 3 5 3
Tommy Todd, Ruby Watts, Harry Horner, Great Governor, Kathryn Collette, Durin, Sarah Douglas, Ella Tregantle and Florence White also started.
Time—2:08, 2:08¾, 2:08¾.

Kentucky Futurity, two-year-old trotters, purse $5,000:
Volga, ch f by Peter the Great.....(White) 1 1
Walnut Tree, b f by Siliko.....(Murphy) 2 2
Bingen Silk, b c by Bingen.....(Chandler) 3 3
Suldine, b c by Worthy McKinney.....(Geers) 4 4
Time—2:07¾, 2:09¾.

The Tennessee, free-for-all pace, purse $2,000 (unfinished):
Napoleon Direct, ch h by Walter Direct(Geers) 1 1 2 4
Peter Stevens, b h by Peter the Great(Snedeker)3 4 1 1
Walter Cochato, bl h by Cochato.....(Legg) 2 3 3 2
Braden Direct and Flower Direct also started.
Time—2:02, 2:01¾, 2:03½, 2:05¼.

2:09 pace, purse $1,000 (unfinished):
Aretta V., ch m by Constenaro.....(Jamison) 2 1 2 2
Barlight, b h by Halburk.....(Mann) 1 2 4 8
Fern Hal, bl m by Gold Hal.....(McPherson) 4 9 3 1
Frank Patch, Fred Mac, Birdonna, Hal Mapes, Bingen Pointer, Ben Locanda, Elmer Dickson and Fleeta Dillon also started.
Time—2:06, 2:05½, 2:08, 2:07½.

As per usual, they had a few gentle showers at Salem before the fair ended.

NOTES and NEWS

Mary Putney (3) 2:05½.
She was bred in old Kentucky, but—
She is a double-barreled Californian in ancestry.
Three in a row and a world's championship.
Incidentally, add Senor Ricardo McMahon's name to the roster of drivers of Kentucky futurity winners.

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They're racing at Riverside this week.

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The Grand Circuit of 1915 is now in its last fortnight.

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Peter Volo now holds the two heat record for trotting stallions by reason of his miles in 2:02½ and 2:02¾ in the Castleton Cup.

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The Californians that made the North Pacific circuit are all back in their old stamping grounds, most of them preparing for next month's fray at the exposition.

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Virginia Barnette won the 2:14 trot at Riverside in straight heats, trotting the two lap track in 2:15¾, 2:15 and 2:14¼. The aged gelding Danube by Direcho was second.

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Pleasanton's winter colony is beginning to assemble, after having been widely scattered since the season opened. Between the trotters and runners together the stabling capacity at the MacKenzie track will be pretty well taxed, from present indications.

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Verbena Ansel, the precocious California trotter that has been progressing so famously for Hunter Moody down in the blue grass, hung up a season record of 2:22 for yearling trotting fillies at the recent record meeting at Lexington. The lass evidently enjoys this trotting business.

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What a good old piece of hand forged hardware Earl Jr. is. For eight seasons he has gone to the races and took 'em as they came; for six years he has been better than a 2:05 pacer; three years ago he raced to a record of 2:01½ and on Tuesday at Lexington he again came home in the same time. They don't come like him very often.

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Reports from eye witnesses at Los Angeles stamp White Sox as a two-minute pacer, the daughter of Del Coronado having worked perilously close to that figure just before Will Durfee went to Salem. The eastern dopesters have already paid Hal Boy the money in the big exposition pace, but there will be some other birds in the argument.

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J. David West, whose establishment at 1265-1267 Golden Gate avenue has long served the needs of horsemen, has just opened a new store at 1018 Fillmore street where a similar line of goods will be found. Everything for track, road and farm in the way of horse and stable accessories will be found in stock, as well as a large assortment of leather goods and novelties of a general nature.

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Will DeRyder came into Pleasanton one day lately with those good campaigners Spriggan and Dicto and is getting himself fixed up for another whirl for ten thousand whole iron men on November second. Spriggan has been a most consistent trotter around 2:08 all season, and if all goes well William thinks he will have a license to afford a little competition to even Peter Scott. Here's hoping.

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Wow! what a race that was at Riverside when Vera Hal and White Sox went to a clinch over the halfmile track there. White Sox took the first heat in 2:07 and then Vera came back at her in 2:06¾ and another one in 2:07. The little Stadium queen is some pacer and Harold Cohen must have done some real teaming to stall off the Durfee pair. The only other starter was San Jacinto, who was third in each heat.

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Arthur C. Thomas, who resigned from the editorship of the Horseman shortly before that good old wagon went the route of its ill-starred predecessor, the "one-hoss shay," has become identified with the Houghton Sulky Company as general sales manager, so that his new address is Marion, Ohio. The Houghton people and "A. C." are all of the up-and-coming kind, and some new policies and innovations in sulky manufacture and marketing may be looked for from the new combination.

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Marysville has been the center of the operations of a band of horse thieves of late, and one night recently the raiders got away with the great old pacer Sir John S. 2:04¼, the son of Diablo 2:09¼ and Elisa S. 2:16½ that was a familiar figure on California tracks some years ago. The horse was the property of the Stevenson estate, whose managers had not long before refused a good price for him, and was taken from the stables at the race track.

Don't forget your futurity starting fees.

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Walter Palmer remarked at the exposition a few mornings ago that in Governor Mason, the Kansas trotter, Charley DeRyder had secured one of the best horses in the middle west, and the Governor backed up Mr. Palmer's opinion by winning a stiff five heat affair Tuesday at Lexington, taking a winrace record of 2:08¼. It was Charley's first victory this season on the big line, which he didn't strike until the Columbus meeting.

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W. P. McNair, who officiated as starter at the Washington and Oregon state fairs and a number of minor meetings in the northwest, tarried in San Francisco enroute home long enough to take in a bit of the horse show at the exposition and say hello to local friends. "Mack" reports great fairs at North Yakima and Salem, with attendance and interest especially good at the latter place, regardless of the weather.

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One of the best pleased participants in the exposition horse show is Charles Winter of Alhambra, who is exhibiting the good young stallion Alhambra Prince (3) 2:27, by Redlac 2:07½, dam Patti Mack by Geo. W. McKinney 2:14½. To date, the Prince has been awarded first as a roadster, first in the standard stallion class for four-year-olds or over, the senior championship for standard trotter, three-year-olds or over, and the grand championship for standard trotter, any age. He is a hard one to beat.

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"Authorities differ" in their reports of the record meeting of Sept. 24 at Lexington, some giving Senator O'Brien as trotting in 2:22, while others make no mention of the political gentleman's performance. If the youngster did trot to a standard record he is a new yearling for J. W. Considine's famous matron Carrietta 2:18, being by Peter the Great and out of that daughter of Directman. A weanling full sister to him heads the offerings of the Woodland Stock Farm sale on October 25th at Woodland.

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Down east there are two kinds of Irish racing horses, lucky and unlucky, as exemplified by the cases of Dick McMahon and Nick Grady. At North Randall Dick drove wide "to avoid a collision," thereby carrying out Peter McCormick and allowing Peter Scott to come through on the pole and win—and he got away with it when haled before the judges. At Lexington, Nick drove wide with R. H. Brett and Single G. came through on the pole. The result of the race was not affected, as Earl Jr. won anyway, but the judges soaked Nick one hundred iron men. Evidently, when Bret Harte penned those immortal lines about the heathen Chinee, he had no knowledge of the mental processes of the occupants of the judges' stands at trotting meetings. What would have happened to Dick if the Lexington officials had been in service at Cleveland?

SPRINGFIELD, ILLINOIS.

Sept. 21.—2:25 pace, purse $1,000:
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium(W. DeRyder)3 4 1 1 1
Kewanee Ruth, b m by Kewanee Riley.....
.....(Hawkins) 6 2 2 2 5
Golden Bell , ch m by Lord Bell..(Shelton) 1 1 4 8 6
Lady Sparks, b m by Star Allerton (Harris) 5 5 6 4 3
Minnequa Princess, bl m by Prince Mc-
kinney.....(H. Thomas) 4 9 5 3 2
Geronimo, Black Badge, George Mack, Lady Maud T., Dr. Pratt and Jack Grattan also started.
Time—2:12¾, 2:13½, 2:15¼, 2:13¾, 2:14½.

2:30 trot, purse $1,000:
Marie Constant, b m by Constenaro(C. Green)2 2 4 4 4
Time, bl g by John Carlisle.....(Stanger) 5 6 2 1 3
Baron Redmore, b h by Baron Posey(Pearse)3 3 10 2 1
Amorist, b h by Zombro.....(Gray) 7 7 3 5 6
Zomblack, Emery A., Alacer B., Bud C., Peter of Servia, Celia Dillon, Katrina W. McKinney, Whisprite and Baron O'Hair also started.
Time—2:15¼, 2:14¾, 2:16¼, 2:16½, 2:16½.

2:07 pace, purse $1,000:
Lillian T., bl m by Roy Patchen.....(A. Wilson) 1 1 1
Miss New Sure, b m by Be Sure.....(Hawkins) 2 2 2
J. W. Wilkerson, br g by Walnut Boy (Simmons) 3 3 3
Society Leader, br g by Walnut BoyR ZM cmfwy789
Society Leader, br h by Dick Wilkes.....(Smith) 4 5 4
College Gent, Direct Gentry and Sham Boy also started.
Time—2:09¾, 2:10¼, 2:09½.

2:15 pace, purse $1,000:
Strathtell, b h by Motell..(Barnes and Egan)14 1 1 1
The Counterpart, br h by Governor D. R. Francis .....(Foote) 1 3 4 3
Bill Hurst, b h by Wilkhurst.....(Nethaway) 2 5 2 2
Captain Field, gr g by Red Tell.....(Neal) 6 2 3 8
Geo. W. Dillon, Billy Shandonwood, Gamma May, William Knight, Axcyzetta, The Bankrupt, Lady I Must, Charton Boy, Bessie R. and Javelin also started.
Time—2:09½, 2:09¼, 2:10¾, 2:11¼.

2:09 trot, purse $1,000:
Axtien, ch h by Axworthy.....(S. Harris) 4 1 2 2 1
Miss Perfection, b f (4) by General Watts .....(C. deRyder) 1 2 1 3 3
Exall, b h by Exalted.....(Pearse) 2 4 3 1 2
The Proof, b h by The Exponent(H.Thomas) 3 5 5 4 4
Lou Jennings, Mightellion, Sunshine, Italian Aubrey also started.
Time—2:09¾, 2:11¾, 2:11¾, 2:13¼, 2:13¼.

Sept. 22.—2:15 trot, purse $1,000:
Bertha Carey, br m by Zombro (C. DeRyder) 1 4 1 1
Peter Vaughn, b c (4) by Peter the Great .....(Dabler) 5 1 2 7
Sure Mike, br h by Peter W.....(Kelly) 3 3 8 2
Hyper, b h by Parole.....(Higginson) 4 5 4 3
King Lewis, Charlie Rex, Leon, Sister Pugh, Leyburn Fuller also started.
Time—2:12¼, 2:13¼, 2:12¾, 2:13¾.

Three-year-old 2:25 trot, purse $600:
George N. Patterson, bl c by On Voyage.....
.....(Rutherford) 2 1 1
Jerry, b g by Stately.....(Faunce) 1 3 2
The Exposer, br c by The Exponent..(Donohue) 4 2 ro
Last Sheet, b f by Mainsheet.....(H. Thomas) 3 4 ro
Red Bingle also started.
Time—2:12¾, 2:13¾, 2:14¾.

2:22 trot, purse $1,000:
Yace G., ch h by Dale Axworthy.....(Caine) 1 1 1
Dan Fields, gr g by Red Tell.....(Neal) 2 2 4
Rose Sullivan, b f (4) by Red Medium....(Green) 4 3 3
Nell Fellows, b m by Walnut Hall.....(Kelly) 6 5 2
Dick Colbert, Robert E., Madam Highwood also started.
Time—2:14½, 2:16¼, 2:15¼.

2:20 pace, purse $1,000:
Jack Johnson, ch g by Charles McGregor..
.....(Johnson) 4 6 2 1 1
Rollie, b g by Fidol Chief.....(Crawford) 2 2 7 4 2
The Problem, br c (4) by Cochato(Hawkins) 8 1 4 3 4
Axie H., b m by Dale Axworthy (Orendorf) 7 8 3 2 3
Ernesteen, b m by Gambell. D. O. Harris) 1 5 6 6 5
Viola B., Danda Vincent, Madam Mac, Little General also started.
Time—2:10½, 2:08¼, 2:12¼, 2:14¾, 2:17¾.

2:10 pace, purse $1,000.
Starve Rock, ch h by Hedgewood Boy....
.....(Goranflo) 2 6 3 2 1
College Gent, bl h by Kentucky Patterson..
.....(Barnes and Egan) 1 1 4 5 3
King Dillard, ch h by Hal Dillard (Martin) 6 7 1 1 2
J. L. Mc., b h by E. J.....(Lon Wilson) 3 2 5 6 ro
Prince Olive, Prince Verton, Emma O. Dillon, The Climax, Constowitt, Zanzibar, The Importer, Hal Patch, Baron Lac and Elmer Dickson also started.
Time—2:08¾, 2:09¾, 2:10½, 2:11½, 2:11½.

Sept. 23.—Three-year-old or under, 2:20 pace, purse $600:
Ebenezer, ch g by The Earl.....(Taylor) 1 1
Alex Merriman, br f by Merriman C.....(Harrison) 2 2
Hichael Powers, b c by Ed Custer.....(Donohue) 3 3
Sheriff S. also started.
Time—2:19¾, 2:18½.

Free-for-all pace, purse $1,000:
Flower Direct, b m by Direct's Star (Taylor) 1 1 2 1
Braden Direct, bl h by Baron Direct..(Egan) 4 2 1 3
Fay Richmond, gr g by New Richmond....
.....(H. Jones) 2 4 3 2
Don Densmore, b h by Pactolus..(H. Thomas) 3 3 5 4
Little Prince also started.
Time—2:05¼, 2:05¼, 2:03¾, 2:07¼.

2:25 trot, purse $1,000:
Roan Boy, ro h by Governor D. R. Francis..
.....(King) 1 4 3 1 2
Bud C., br g by Kingston G.....
.....(Daoust and Hawkins) 2 1 5 2 1
Marie Constant, b m by Constenaro(Greene) 3 2 1 4 3
Whisprite, ch m .....(Holmes) 4 3 2 3 4
Zomblack and Edna Grey also started.
Time—2:12¾, 2:12½, 2:17½, 2:14½, 2:13½.

2:18 pace, purse $1,000:
The Savoy, bl g by Charley Hayt(Van Valkenburg)1 1 1
Dexter Direct, br h by Baron Direct....(Egan) 2 2 4
Madam Mac, br m by Expressive Mac.....
.....(C. DeRyder) 3 3 2
Tommy Tight, gr g by Almont Medium.....
.....(O. D. Harris) 7 5 3
Admiral Dewey II., bl h by Admiral Dewey(Wilson)4 4 7
Josephine Lawson, Santalina, Flashing, Fannie Shirley and Belle Sarah also started.
Time—2:06¾, 2:07¼, 2:07¾.

Sept. 24.—Free-for-all trot, purse $1,000:
Exall, b h by Exalted.....(Pearse) 1 2 2 1 1
Maymack, b m by Arthur Wilkes.....
.....(C. DeRyder) 2 1 1 2 2
Belford Bell, b m by Echo Bell....(Ames) 4 4 3 3 3
Italian Aubrey, b h by Captain Aubrey....
.....(A. Thomas) 3 3 4 ds
Time—2:08¼, 2:07¾, 2:09¼, 2:08¼, 2:09¾.

2:13 pace, purse $1,000:
Shipmaster, b g by Seneca Stewart—Bosque, by Electrification .....(Matthews) 1 1 1
The Counterpart, br h by Governor D. R. Francis .....(Foote) 3 3 2
Strathtell, b h by Motell.....(Egan) 5 2 3
Lottie Hall, ch m by Simmocolon.....(Goranflo) 2 5 6
Bill Hurst, May Direct, Sunny Brook, Dan Mack, Tom Montgomery, Our Billy, Willis Woodland, Symbol S. and Tip J. also started.
Time—2:07¾, 2:05¼, 2:06¼.

2:18 trot, purse $1,000:
Rose Waltz, b h by Waltz.....(Scott) 1 1 4 3 5
Miss Pinkerton, b f (4) by Mister Pinkerton .....(Perry) 2 9 2 1 2
Colonel Custer, b g by Ed Custer (Hawkins) 5 2 10 2 1
Margaret Jay, b m by Jay McGregor....
.....(Armstrong) 3 5 1 7 4
Alonzo De Forest, Myra McGregor, Colonel Riser, Baron Bates, The Governor, Sandy and Judge Spencer also started.
Time—2:10½, 2:09¼, 2:12¼, 2:11½, 2:11¼.

2:12 trot, purse $1,000:
Captain Cacada, ch h by The Captain..(Hanes) 1 1 1
Governor Mason, b h by Major Mason(C. DeRyder)2 2 2
Alice Arion, b m by Arion.....(McQuaig) 3 3 4
Lucy Patchen, b m by The Patchen Boy (Toylar) 5 4 3
Tobe Ward and Dette also started.
Time—2:10¼, 2:10, 2:09¾.

CATTLE SHOW AT THE P.-P. I. E.

The fear felt several months ago that the reappearance of foot and mouth disease in several localities would threaten the success of the cattle show this autumn at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco has been dispelled by the abatement of the outbreak, the easing of the quarantine nearly everywhere and the resumption of shipments. The California state veterinarian has not relaxed his vigilance and will take no chances that might result in the introduction of the scourge into California, but there is enough free territory to guarantee a great show. The number of entries received by the exposition department of live stock gives assurance of a large and varied exhibition of both beef and dairy cattle from October 18 to November 1, the cattle show period.

Already several interesting herds are on the grounds, including Shorthorns, Guernseys, Herefords and Holstein-Friesians. Others that will arrive before the show opens will be Aberdeen-Angus, Galloways, Polled Durham, Red Polled and Devons in the beef classes, and Jerseys, Ayrshires, Dutch Belted, Brown Swiss, French Canadian, Simenthal, Kerry and Dexter in the dairy classes.

The judges have been selected with great care. Thomas Dempsey, Westerville, Ohio, will judge Jerseys; Elliott Davis, Lincoln, Neb., Red Polled; Judge Calvin Ewing, Youngstown, Ohio, Galloways; Charles L. Hill, Rosedale, Wisconsin, Guernseys; M. A. Judy, West Lebanon, Indiana, Aberdeen-Angus; Phil C. Lee, San Angelo, Texas, Herefords; Hugh Van Pelt, Waterloo, Iowa, Ayrshires; W. H. Standish, Lyons, Ohio, Holsteins; Captain T. E. Robson, London, Ontario, Shorthorns.

Program and Entries for Exposition Trots

Knowing that nothing is more interesting to coast horsemen just now than the fall meeting to be held during the fore part of November at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, we present herewith the daily program with the horses eligible to start in the various events, original entries which were declared out August first, as well as original stake nominations for which substitutions have been made, being eliminated in order that patrons of the meeting may see just what is left for them to race against. Owing to the fact that starting payments in the colt stakes are not yet made the entries for those events cannot be given with any degree of certainty at this time, but entries will be published just as soon as the information required is available.

Owing to a number of circumstances, chief among them being the fact that a few races failed to fill, the program has been rearranged so that racing will commence Monday, November 1, instead of Saturday, October 30, the new schedule giving a full daily program for eleven days from events already closed, while a special will be put on to round out the twelfth day's card. Under these conditions, it is advisable to discard former programs and the entry list as published in this paper last spring, preserving this one for your guidance.

Monday, November 1st.

First Race—2:20 Class Trotting—$2,000.

Matawan, br g by Athadon—Cora Wickersham by Junio. H. C. Ahlers, San Francisco.
Major's By Guy, br h by Major Dillon—By Guy by Guy Wilkes. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby. Alex Brown, Walnut Grove.
Major By By, ch g by Major Dillon—By By by Nutwood. Marvin Childs, Pleasanton.
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney—Helen Simmons by Simmons. V. K. Dunne, San Francisco.
Bertha Pointer, b m by Del Coronado—Belle Pointer by Sky Pointer. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr by Zombro. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Policia, ch m by Best Policy—Alta Almont by Prince Almont. Mrs. I. M. Lipson, Tulare.
Sutter Girl, b m by Sir John S.—Babe by Lynmont. G. H. Magruder, Yuba City.
Pronto J., bl g by Strathway. R. D. Morrison, Hemet.
Mary E. Patch, b m by Dan Patch—Prelissa by The Prelate. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Agnes Carter, b m by Nutwood Wilkes—Excella by Monbells. Al Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Robert Bingen, b h by Bingen—Episode by Ambassador. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
Linwood Mack, ch g by Sir John—Linwood Bell by Lynwood W. Geo. G. Smith, Logan, Utah.
Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great—Jenny Scott by Bryson. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Margaret Parrish, b m by Vice Commodore—Lady Leyburn by Arion. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Helen Worthy, b m by Barongale—Lulu Worthy by Axworthy. Thos W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Second Race—2:09 Class Pacing—$2,500.

O. U. C., b g by C. The Limit—Rosie Woodburn by Easter Wilkes. S. S. Bailey, Pleasanton.
Athol R., gr g by Athablo—Edith by Milton R. Jas. L. Bullock, Hanford.
Don Conamore, b g by Don Densmore—Francona by Greystone. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D.
Soumise, b m by Billy Dunlap—Cricket Basler by Robert Basler. R. L. Friend, Porterville.
Patrick de Oro, b h by Copa de Oro—Easter D. by Diablo. J. W. McClain, Los Angeles.
Donald, b g by Golden Baron—Kitty by Knight. D. D. McDonald, Sacramento.
Dan Logan, b h by Chas. Derby—Effie Logan by Durfee. Warren Pugh, Davis.
Walnut Grove, bl h by Constantine—Lindis by Jackdaw. J. A. Young, Port Arthur, Texas.
John Malcolm, br g by Dan Logan—Susie Miller by Prince Ansel. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Conqueror, br g by Direct Heir—La Belle by Sidney. Valencia Farm, San Bernardino.
Dazzle Patch, br h by Dan Patch—Renline by Online. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
The Beaver, br h by Searchlight—Ripple by Glenbrook. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg, Can.
Major Ong, b g by Major Gantz—Bessie J. by Iowa Sentinel. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Dustless McKinney, b h by McKinney—Dustless Queen by Mambrino King. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Derby Custer, ch h by Ed. Custer—Princess Derby by Chas. Derby. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Third Race—2:15 Class Trotting—$2,000.

Matawan, br g by Athadon—Cora Wickersham by Junio. H. C. Ahlers, San Francisco.
Irving Heart, b h by Great Heart—Crawford Mare by Piloteer. H. W. Buckbee, Rockford, Ill.
Bon Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney—Helen Keyes by Sidney Dillon. W. A. Clark, Jr., Los Angeles.
The Proof, br h by The Exponent—Chord by Wilkes Boy. M. C. Keefer, Pleasanton.
Mabel, b m by Sir John S.—Babe by Lynmont. G. H. Magruder, Yuba City.
Miss Johnson, b m by Happy Treasure—Maud Johnson by Happy Heir. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
Lottie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Lottie Whippleton by San Diego. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
Seneca Boy, ch g by King Entertainer—Seneca Maid by John Adams. E. J. Rochon.
Sadie S., b m by Archdale—Catherine S. by Patronage. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen—Lizzie Belle Smith by Geo. Simmons. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Tuesday, November 2nd

First Race—Occident Stake, 3-Y. O. Trotters—$2,500.

Starters to be named later.

Second Race—2:10 Class Trotting—$20,000.

Baby Doll, b m by Tom Smith—Kate Lumry by Shadeland Onward. I. L. Borden, San Francisco
Tropic Dawn, b m by Symboleer—by Allerton. W. J. Cowan, Cannington, Ont.
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr by Zombro. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
A. R. G., b h by Gumaer Hal—Claudia Chimes by Chimes. A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
Wilbur Lou, ch h by Kinney Lou—Louise Carter by Chestnut Tom. Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet.
Electric Patch, bl h by Dan Patch—Zella Directum by Directum. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Sea Waif, br m by The King Red—Sea Queen by Vice Regent. Hugo Schmidt, Spokane.
San Felipe, b g by Zombro—Ella J. by Bob Mason. W. T. Sesnon, San Francisco.
Axtien, ch h by Axworthy—Protien by Glenwold. Samuel Harris, Plymouth, Ill.
Peter McCormick, br h by Peter the Great—Pearl Cecil by Cecil W. W. O. Foote, Bonham, Tex.
Esperanza, b m by Carlokin—My Irene S. by Petigru. Sterling R. Holt, Indianapolis.
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney—Helen Simmons by Simmons. Gus Macey, Lexington.
Miss Perfection, b m by Gen. Watts—Sue Fletcher by Tregantle. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great—Jenny Scott by Bryson. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Lulu Lumine, b m by Orator—Lumine by Stately. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen—Lizzie Bell Smith by Geo. Simmons. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Third Race—2:12 Class Pacing—$2,000.

Pointer's Daughter, b m by Star Pointer—Banker's Daughter by Arthur Wilkes. G. L. Blosser, Santa Maria.
Don C., ch g by Mexican Chief—Molly by Hedgewood Boy. H. W. Buckbee, Rockford, Ill.
Trix McAdrian, br m by McAdrian—Mountain Lass by Mountain Boy. P. J. Chalmers, Stockton.
Imbro, br h by Zombro—Athelene by Coeur d'Alene. F. M. Anderson, Portland, Ore.
Don B., br g by Don Densmore—Mary B. by Mexicanno. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, S. D.
William G., ch g by Clarence Wilkes—Wax by Senator Boggs. Wm. Duncan, Agt., Colusa.
Hamburg Belle, b m by Stillwell—Lucy by Memphis, John Ginocchio, San Francisco.
Monk, b g by Saraway—Daisy H. by Clark Chief Jr. A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
F. H. Holloway, ch g by Geo. W. McKinney—Lady Zombro by Zombro. R. D. Morrison, Hemet.
Zomblack, bl h by Zombro—Madeline Marshall by Demonio. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Red Rock, ch g by Louis Wilkes—Red Bird by E. S. J. F. McGuire, Denver.
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.—Altalena by Altamont. Edward Peterson, Omaha.
Princess Patch, b m by Dan Patch—International Queen by Tom Exum. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio—Potrero Girl by Prince Airlie. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Dustless McKinney, b h by McKinney—Dustless Queen by Mambrino King. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Derby Custer, ch. h by Ed. Custer—Princess Derby by Chas. Derby. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Wednesday, November 3rd

First Race—2:30 Class Trotting—$2,000.

Golden State, b g by Stam B.—Zaya by Bay Bird. Blackwell & Hendrickson, Rocklin.
Major's By Guy, br h by Major Dillon—By Guy by Guy Wilkes. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby. Alex Brown, Walnut Grove.
Bon Cres, bl h by Bon Voyage—Kate Kopje by Cresceus. J. J. Campbell, Pasadena.
Lauretta Todd, b m by Sorrento Todd—Silver Tier by Ashton W. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D.
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney—Helen Simmons by Simmons. V. K. Dunne, San Francisco.
Bertha Pointer, b m by Del Coronado—Belle Pointer by Sky Pointer. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr by Zombro. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
A. R. G., b h by Gumaer Hal—Claudia Chimes by Chimes. A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
Pronto J., bl g by Strathway. R. D. Morrison, Hemet.
Miss Perfection, br m by Gen. Watts—Sue Fletcher by Tregantle. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Little Grove, br h by Walnut Grove—May Day by Roy Wood. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
Robert Bingen, b h by Bingen—Episode by Ambassador. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great—Jenny Scott by Bryson. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Margaret Parrish, b m by Vice Commodore—Lady Leyburn by Arion. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Second Race—2:15 Class Pacing—$2,000.

A. B. C., bl h by Young Monterey—Rosalie by Dudley. W. B. Alford, Ferndale.
Lizzie Dillon, br m by Sidney Dillon—Angela S. by Silent Chimes. C. E. Bowman, Walla Walla.
Sirius Pointer, b h by Star Pointer—Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes. H. H. Boomer, Spokane.
Lillian Green, br m by Col. Green—Lillian Zolock by Zolock. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D.
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy. J. F. Dunne, Gilroy.
Baby Gommet, b m by Prince McKinney—Arawanna B. by Sidney Dillon. F. Gommet, San Francisco.
Prince Zolock, bl h by Zolock—Princess Direct by Teddy A. H. A. Gardner, Walla Walla.
Marlin, b g by Dialect-Clarence Wilkes. H. S. Hogoboom, Woodland.
Pointer Belle, b m by Star Pointer—Dictatus Belle by Dictatus. J. M. Kidd, San Francisco.
Maxine, b m by Jim Logan—Triby Maid by Black Ralph Jr. Miss Maxine Montgomery, Davis.
Direct Line, b h by Baron Direct—Woodland Echo by Woodline. J. F. McGuire, Denver.
Buzz Patch, bl m by Dan Patch—Heloise Grattan by Grattan. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Oro Mo, ch g by Demonio—Hanora by Oro Wilkes. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Ben Corbett Jr., b g by Ben Corbett—Miss Thompson by Thompson. W. L. Young, Santa Maria.
Strathtell, b h by Motell—Ruth Strathberry by Strathberry. Jos. Carson, Winnipeg, Can.
Hal S., rn g by Hal Chaffin—Bessie Hal by Red Hal. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Jean, b m by Flosko. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Peter Farren, b h by Peter the Great—Nelly Farren by Jay Bird. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Third Race—Free-for-all Pacing, Driving Club—$2,000.

White Sox, b m by Del Coronado—Subito by Steinway. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney—Geraldine by Mount Vernon. J. N. Jones, Stockton.
W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince—Psyche. W. J. Kenney, San Francisco.
Homer Mac, b h by Petigru—Eagletta by Ketchum. J. W. McClain, Los Angeles.
Dick W., b g by Athadon. Al Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Teddy Bear, b h by Del Coronado—Queen S. by Sable Wilkes. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Little Bernice, b m by Del Coronado—Pearl Pointer by Sky Pointer. Sam Watkins, Los Angeles.

Thursday, Nov. 4th

First Race—2:17 Class Trotting—$2,000.

Matawan, br g by Athadon—Cora Wickersham by Junio. H. C. Ahlers, San Francisco.
Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide—Lillian W. by Harry Hontas. Frank Childs, Pleasanton.
Major By By, ch g by Major Dillon—By By by Nutwood. Marvin Childs, Pleasanton.
Old Folks, br g by Del Coronado—Iran Belle by Iran Alto. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Bertha Pointer, b m by Del Coronado—Belle Pointer by Sky Pointer. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
The Proof, br h by The Exponent—Chord by Wilkes Boy. M. C. Keefer, Pleasanton.
Policia, ch m by Best Policy—Alta Almont by Prince Almont. Mrs. I. M. Lipson, Tulare.
Margaret Parrish, b m by Vice Commodore—Lady Leyburn by Arion. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Barbara Overton, b m by Sahib—Mabel Swope by Ashland Wilkes. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Second Race—Pacific Breeders Futurity 2-Yr-Olds—$1450

Starters to be named later.

Third Race—Free-for-all Trotting, Driving Club—$2,000.

Esperanza, b m by Carlokin—My Irene S. by Petigru. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Sultan, b g by Suomi—Manila by Rockwood. J. J. Gethin, San Francisco.
Graham Bellini, b h by Bellini—Gracie Onward by Onward. G. J. Giannini, San Francisco.
Ella M. R., b m by Lord Alwin—Excella by Monbells. G. J. Giannini, San Francisco.
Monica McKinney, ch m by Ed McKinney—Judy McKinney by McKinney. Hoffman & Sicotte, San Francisco.
Maymack, b m by Arthur Wilkes—Lady Whips by Whips. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Merry Widow, ch m by G. Albert Mac—Belle Lynn by Diablo. W. Parsons, Salinas.
Jean Arion, b m by Arion—Sarah Shelton by Bedford. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Copper the Ore, bl m by Direct Heir—May Kinney by Silkwood. Al Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Future Tramp, b g by Trampfast—Future Princess Ideal by Chimes. T. D. Sexton, Oakland.
Vallejo King, bl h by Gen. J. B. Frisbie—Reinette by Dexter Prince. Thos. Smith, Vallejo.

Friday, Nov. 5th

First Race—2:13 Class Trotting—$2,000.

Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby. Alex Brown, Walnut Grove.
Irving Heart, b h by Great Heart—Crawford Mare by Piloteer. H. W. Buckbee, Rockford, Ill.
Bon Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney—Helen Keyes by Sidney Dillon. W. A. Clark, Jr., Los Angeles.
John Mack, b g by Geo. A. Fuller—Ida Purple by Cutting. F. L. McQuilty, Curran, Ill.
Moko Hall, bl h by Walnut Hall—Daisy Wilkes by Moko. F. J. Ruhstaller, Sacramento.
Future Tramp, b g by Trampfast—Future Princess Ideal by Chimes. T. D. Sexton, Oakland.
Great Isle, b h by Peter the Great—Belle Isle by Actell. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen—Lizzie Belle Smith by Geo. Simmons. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Sadie S., b m by Archdale—Catherine S. by Patronage. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Boma, b m by Bingara—Kavala by Kremlin. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Second Race—2:25 Class Pacing—$2,000.

O. U. C., b g by C. The Limit—Rosie Woodburn by Easter Wilkes. S. S. Bailey, Pleasanton.
Athol R., gr g by Athablo—Edith by Milton R. Jas. L. Bullock, Hanford.
Sadie Densmore, ch m by Don Densmore—Florence D. by Col. McCoy. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D.
William G., ch g by Clarence Wilkes—Wax by Senator Boggs. Wm. Duncan, Agt., Colusa.
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy. J. F. Dunne, Gilroy.
Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro—Bonnie Ailsie by Faustino. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Baby Gommet, b m by Prince McKinney—Arawanna B. by Sidney Dillon. F. Gommet, San Francisco.
Monk, b g by Saraway—Daisy H. by Clark Chief Jr. A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
Mack Fitzsimmons, ch g by Bob Fitzsimmons—Jennie High Noon by High Noon. B. F. Jaggar, Portland.
Nealy Stanley II, ch f by Kinney de Lopez—Nealy Stanley by On Stanley. Jas. O. Mercer, Regina.
Mollie, b m by Knox—Pet. M. G. Leggitt, Hanford.
Trilby, b m by Sir John S.—Babe by Lynmont. G. H. Magruder, Yuba City.
Zoe Trix, ch m by Zolock—Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes. J. W. Marshall, Dixon.
F. H. Holloway, ch g by Geo. W. McKinney—Lady Zombro by Zombro. R. D. Morrison, Hemet.
Zomblack, bl h by Zombro—Madeline Marshall by Demonio. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Donald, b g by Golden Baron—Kitty by Knight. D. D. McDonald, Sacramento.
G. C. W., br h by Walnut Grove—Little Queen by Jackdaw. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
Drift Patch, b h by Dan Patch—May Drifton by Drifton B. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Fleeta Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon—Lady Hilda Hills by Wilkes Boy. V. L. Shuler, Pleasanton.
Josie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Josie D. by Nutwood Wilkes. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
Ben Corbitt, Jr., b g by Ben Corbitt—Miss Thompson by Thompson. W. L. Young, Santa Maria.
Jean, b m by Flosko. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Peter Farren, b h by Peter the Great—Nelly Farren by Jay Bird. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Third Race—State Fair Futurity, 3-Y. O. Trotters—$2000.

Starters to be named later.

Saturday, Nov. 6th

First Race—Breeders Futurity, 3-Y. O. Pacers—$1,800.

Starters to be named later.

Second Race—2:07 Class Pacing—$1,500.

R. W., br s by Wild Nutling—Miss Thompson by Thompson. F. Buzzini, Orcutt.
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.—Altalena by Altamont. Edw. Peterson, Omaha.
Booze, b g by Dupe—by Bay Bird. Jack Lauffer, Sacramento.
Dan Logan, b h by Chas. Derby—Effie Logan by Durfee. W. Pugh, Davis.
Little Bernice, b m by Del Coronado—Pearl Pointer by Sky Pointer. S. Watkins, Los Angeles.
White Sox, b m by Del Coronado—Subito by Steinway. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Walnut Grove, bl h by Constantine—Lindis by Jackdaw. J. A. Young, Port Arthur, Tex.

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ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

QUAIL.

Softly! See, far ahead, across our way,
Those silent forms pass swiftly out of sight,
So noiseless that the breezes seem affright,
Breathless a moment ere the leaves they sway.
In all their war-paint's glorious array,
With feathered head-dress nodding in the light,
They glide before us like a vision bright,
And as a vision swiftly are away.
But now and then among the vines and brush
A dusky form seems darting to and fro.
Was that a waving scalp-lock on the rush?
What is it stirs beside that bush, there, low?
Then lightning-like and thunder-loud, and, oh!—
The heart stands still—ah!—valley quail at flush.

THE ALAMEDA SALT MARSHES.

The eastern shore of the greatest seaport in which Pacific waters ebb and flow, south from where the transcontinental railroads end, is low and marshy. There the even curves of the rolling hills become straight as they approach the broad bay, and a wide belt of dark grey salt marsh, miles long and containing thousands of flat acres, separates the land proper from the unbroken waters. This marshland is laced with winding, shimmering sloughs that lead into and through it, from the bay—some large and deep enough to accommodate a puffing launch at the lowest ebb, and others so small and shallow that only the highest tides cover the blue mud of their bottoms. Along these winding salt streams grow water oats, and sometimes on the higher marsh the dodder flames, and here and there, away in at the base of the brown hills where some freshwater stream makes its way to oblivion in the wide marsh, tall cat-tails flourish and straight tules grow, rank on rank. And sometimes out on the bay side of the marsh, when the wind and waves have heaped the sand into low, yellow dunes, small, tough, dwarfed bushes are found.

And this marsh is not the dead moor, to be regarded with awe, that many people deem any marsh—there is animal and vegetable life there the year around, and the moving life is the most interesting. The great brown rats, that can swim as well as they can run, are always there, and the little busy marsh wrens; and a small throttled, brown sparrow, that is a sociable, but rather a quiet fellow. And at low tide numberless little crabs, the largest the size of your hand, scurry over the smooth mud flats, or crawl this way and that, sidewise, in search of food—leaving little trails in the ooze.

Always there may be found animal life there in that great marsh, but it is when the uplands have taken on the dead tones of winter, when the southeast wind sweeps the swirling rainstorms over lowland and hills, that it is most plentiful. Then the waterfowl haunt the sloughs, and the waders dot its flats, and from the grasses the rail calls. Canvasbacks, spoonbill, mallard, teal, spriqtail, now and then a widgeon, golden eye, ruddy ducks (spatties), bluebill, willets, jack-snipe, rail, plover, curlew, phalaropes—all may be found there of a short winter day. True, in some portions of this great marsh they may be found in greater profusion—for some of this lowland is patrician, and some is plebeian, and some is leased to gun clubs and some is open ground, and on this open land is the winter life the scarcest.

Nevertheless, there it is that many men betake themselves in these latter years when they feel that the ducking pictures their minds have conjured up after the opening day must be verified—and this is of when I was of these many.

I remember how cold it was early that morning as we stood on the little landing built of odds and ends and waited for the keeper to bring us our skiff and wooden decoys. There were some thirty of the wooden cheats and they completely filled three old, muddy sacks in the bow of the boat. The sky was overcast with a fairy filament of mist that hardly obscured the light of the stars, and when we started on our two-mile pull to the reed blind on the open slough there were no signs of dawn over the eastern hills.

The first mile of our row was across a shallow bay, and for ten minutes the only sounds were those of the rusty oarlocks, the dip of the oars, and the soft dripping of the water from them. Then a great splashing and whistling broke the stillness ahead. We had run into a flock of canvasback, and although we could not see them we stopped and listened to the whish-whishing of their wings until it died away in the distance. Then we rowed on as the sky in the east paled.

Soon in the dim half-light ahead we could see the low, dark outline of the marsh. It became clearer as we approached, and we headed for a break in the low wall where we knew a large slough entered the bay. The tide was ebbing, and in the brightening light we could see smooth, sloping, dark-grey mud flats stretching along the shore—and ahead of us a little band of willets arose from the mud, calling. Then we were in the slough, the mud banks on either hand, and one almost continually in front as well, for the slough twisted hither and thither with seldom more than fifty yards of straightness in it.

Just as the east was beginning to glow we heard the low calls of some ruddy ducks around a bend ahead, and as I dropped in the bottom of the boat in readiness my companion left off his rowing and started to scull. When we swung around the little point of blue mud at the bend we came onto the ducks, and as I arose two golden eye started up. They afforded an excellent chance for a pretty double, which was scored. The ruddy ducks, bewildered, did not rise until I had fired my second barrel. There were four of them and three skimmed directly away, affording my companion no chance for a shot, but the fourth turned and swung past the boat. At the report of the gun the little brown ball whirled over, quite dead, and when we picked it up the pure white patch by its eye had become red, explaining why the bird had whirled so suddenly.

We continued on our way to the blind, and fired our guns but once again—at a high-flying band of spoonbills—until we arrived. The blind was built of broken reeds and dead grasses, and was situated on the south bank of the slough midway on a stretch of some two hundred yards of open water. The decoys were all set, the boat hidden, and we ourselves snugly ensconced in the blind before sunup.

We had been down perhaps five long minutes when the first shot came. It was a lone canvasback and he was in sight for three hundred yards as he came directly toward the wooden lures. Something scared him as he was curving directly over us and he started to soar, but at the second shot he crumpled up, and the best bird of the whole day was bagged. A short while after two teal whistled by, and one stopped, and then it was a full half hour before our guns were raised again, but when we did sight along their barrels it was at the most exciting moment of the day.

We both saw them at once—eight golden eye—as they swung low down the slough. We crouched, and it seemed an age before we saw them through the reeds putting their feet out to stop in the decoys. They did not seem to see us as we rose and my first barrel stopped two. When the fusillade ended three birds were dead in the decoys and my partner was jumping up and down on the bank yelling to look out for a cripple. Just then directly in front of him the supposed cripple came up and rose out of the water with an alacrity that denied the presence of shot beneath its feathers. It surprised him into a clean miss for the first barrel, but the second told, and our ninth bird was down.

At intervals the birds continued to come for an hour—some more golden eye, a brace of spoonbills, a skimming score of ruddy ducks, half a dozen canvasback, and a lordly drake mallard. And then there was nothing to do for a long time but nap, and rest, and watch the little crabs in the mud, and the brown rats—until the evening flight.

When the evening flight was finished and the darkness was fast settling we counted our birds—twenty-six—and then started down the winding slough homeward; satisfied with our modest day's sport, tired and hungry, and hoping that in the years to come we may enjoy sport as good on the salt marsh.

MOUNTAIN QUAIL HUNTING IN SHASTA.

The manzanita, that had closely bordered the road for the last mile, gave way and we drove into an open swale of perhaps two acres—all green with the lush new grass and studded with grey rocks a foot or so in height. A jack rabbit hopped into the chaparal at the farther edge and my eye, awakened by the movement, discerned our first bevy of quail.

There were about a dozen—much larger than our cheery valley friend, and the markings on their coats showed more plainly. As we alighted one of them gave a warning whistle, and the bevy started running for shelter. Knowing their aversion to flight we ran briskly across the swale after them, but before we were in range they had disappeared into the brush and we could hear their whistling farther up the hillside.

Two of us started up through the stiff chaparral. We knew from experience that these little feathered followers of Pan were not to be hunted with dogs, for they seldom lie, and though they may be numerous, one must keep in steady pursuit to obtain a good bag.

The brush soon became so thick that I was reduced to crawling, and totally lost my companion. At frequent intervals I could still hear the quail whistling, but apparently another bevy, for the sound came from farther to the left, from a sparsely wooded bluff. I made my way as quickly as possible over the rough rocks toward the whistling and started a bevy of perhaps half a hundred running nimbly over the ground and jumping from rock to rock before me. Here my day's sport began.

Following this bevy along the bluff, getting a shot now and then, I started others and soon had one or two hundred birds ahead of me in the brush. The birds persistently refused to fly, running with remarkable speed whenever I appeared within range, and placing every rock and bush possible between themselves and my gun. The man who declares as a pot-hunter anyone who would shoot any game bird on the ground has not hunted our wily mountain quail. I have always found that it is as difficult to hit him running at full speed over rough ground, as it is to stop one of his valley brethren in his swift flight over an open field. Further, the hunter of the upland bird is usually winded from his pursuit and not in fit condition for accurate work.

I remember well, when following the birds ahead of me, I suddenly came to a rocky open place and saw a bird swiftly running ahead. I fired twice, but each time he was safely behind a rock, and before I could reload had disappeared in the brush. More than once during the morning my shot struck stone and wood instead of feathers and flesh, and by noon I was so thoroughly tired that I found it quite convenient to clamber down the bluff to a little stream and rest there for an hour while I ate my lunch.

On count my bag numbered twelve birds, three of which were valley quail that had strayed to the higher ground.

On my way back to the road and the team I easily rounded out the limit then in vogue, and although every vestige of the birds I shot that day has long since disappeared, the memory of that enjoyable morning when I pursued the Upland King is with me yet; to afford me pleasure in my idle moments, and to cause me to hope that some time my clear winter morning in the Sierra foothills will be repeated.

TROUT IN UGANDA.

(Concluded from last week)

The only plan seems to be up-stream wet fishing and keeping the fly working, more after the fashion of a salmon fly, all the way back to your feet. If it be allowed to rest still for an instant all the trout within reach seem to realize that it is a fraud, and no amount of working will take them in. Very thick weed covers the bed of the river in parts, and if a trout once gets under this there is nothing for it but to send the gillie in with a landing net. Fortunately this can be done without risk, as there are no crocodiles. For one thing it is woefully overhung, and one of the first improvements called for will be judicious thinning out of the bushes. For another, the banks are both steep and slippery, full of holes and pitfalls that, concealed by the long grass, catch your feet at every turn. The climbs at some of the waterfalls are terrific, and the pools, apart from the haunting beauty inseparable from such spots, were at the time of my visit hardly worth the trouble of getting to.

The worst thing about the Gura, however, is the super-abundance of its trout. This seems a curious criticism to make on the part of one fresh from understocked streams at home, but it is a fact, nevertheless, as will perhaps be better appreciated when I mention that a trout of 19 inches, which looked a noble fish enough before I got him into the lnading net, weighed but 2 lb. 2 oz., and was a wretchedly lean-looking individual. So, indeed, were nearly all the trout I caught in the course of my two days on the river, somewhere between twenty-five and thirty, and very few of them under the statutory 12-inch limit. Yet, with the solitary exception of the big fellow, of which I wanted a photograph, back into the river they all went. I should perhaps have rendered better service if I had left them to die on the bank, for the Gura is overcrowded, and the authorities will soon have either to provide abundance of food to make up for the natural lack of it, or, better still, to take out quite half of the big fish and transplant them to other rivers in the neighborhood, several of which are as well suited to the needs of trout as the Gura. As a matter of fact, this work will in all probability be begun at an early date, and then the Gura, relieved of its too heavy burden, will probably be the finest trout stream in Africa. There is no close time, for the simple reason that, in view of the trout spawning promiscuously in any and every month of the year, it would be very difficult to establish one, but it will always be incumbent on sportsmen to return fish that are out of condition. Only fly, spoon, and minnow are allowed and the two latter are surely unnecessary where the fly takes so well. The size limit has already been mentioned, and the bag is restricted to three brace a day. This will almost certainly be a wise and necessary check in the near future, but at present, pending the much needed thinning out of the head of fish, the authorities might do worse than remove it. Quality rather than quantity is what is needed in this beautiful mountain stream that flows not far from snow-covered Kenia.—The Asian.

Marauding Eagle Killed.—Charles Linebaugh killed a bald headed eagle this week which long had been preying upon chickens and young lambs on the Abraham Linebaugh ranch, in Sonoma county, near Santa Rosa. The bird measured seven feet from tip to tip.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

GOSSIP FOR SPORTSMEN.

Trout fishing at different Feather river points has been excellent recently. At Smith's Point, between Rich and Belden, J. W. Fricke and Tracy Cummings of this city enjoyed a few days' sport—several trout weighing two and a half pounds were taken. The improved governor was the killing fly lure.

At Spring Garden, farther up the river, "the fishing has been wonderful," is the report of anglers who spent an outing there.

Near Blairsden fishing in the mountain lakes at present is fair. In the main river and nearby creeks the sport is very good. The weather has been clear and warm. Dark and medium colored flies have been effective. At Big Bar the river was low and clear and fair baskets of trout have been taken. Around Keddie there have been but few baskets of trout caught; the outlook for the balance of the season is indifferent.

Round about Belden both fly and bait fishing in the small streams is very good. Gray and brown hackle flies do the trick in whipping the creeks with a fly hook. Grashoppers are the favorite baits used. Limit baskets have been taken recently by different anglers. The water in the creeks is low and clear. Fishing in the main river has been spoiled by bad water conditions.

At Sims good trout fishing has been experienced by different local anglers who have whipped the Upper Sacramento river during the past fortnight. John Filmer and J. Lyons will spend a week at Sims. Roscoe Havens and Walter Matthews have whipped the river daily for the past week, with great success.

The McCloud river has been in grand fishing condition for the past month. Colonel William Ellery, Dr. A. J. Wiborn, Harry Blatchley and other anglers were on the river a week ago. J. A. Hatter, W. A. Hatter and E. G. McDonnell were in camp on the McCloud for ten days and tested the fine trout fishing conditions thoroughly. The trout run to large sizes.

Fall river, in the northeastern part of Shasta county, and a tributary of Pitt river, is reported by Charlie Breidenstein to offer the best of trout fishing just now.

The Yosemite valley streams were stocked recently with many thousands of trout fry. Fishing conditions in Merced river and the tributary creeks in the valley are reported to be excellent at the present time.

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About this time of the year the striped bass anglers are on the qui vive for large fish. An indication of a run of striped bass in the Wingo sloughs and creeks 10 days ago, was the taking of a 42-pound bass by one of the regular visitors of that district, known as "Chicken Sam." Two other anglers also landed several large bass. Charles Urfer made a good catch fishing in Appleby bay. A number of bass were taken also in Napa creek, near the drawbridge.

Last Sunday, however, there seemed to be a slump in the bass production.

San Antone slough also produced several nice catches of the striped fish. Charles Bond and two friends landed seven bass in two days' fishing, the heaviest scaled 15 pounds. Steve Simmons' largest bass weighed eight pounds. Al Cumming also had exceptionally good luck.

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The approach of the fall hunting season, which opens October 15, makes it desirable to bring to the attention of sportsmen the fact that where State laws do not agree with the regulations under the Federal migratory bird law, the Federal regulations are paramount and should be observed.

Under the new Federal law it is unlawful at all times to hunt or kill robins. It is unlawful at any time before September 1, 1918, to kill band-tailed pigeons, cranes, swans, curlew, and any of the small snipe or shore birds, a provision in the Federal law that is in the main entirely unnecessary and has spoiled the sport of many gunners. Band-tail pigeon, curlew and shore birds are plentiful.

The Federal statute makes it illegal to hunt or shoot migratory game (and insectivorous) birds before sunrise or after sunset. The State law prohibits the shooting of "resident game" between one-half hour before sunrise and one-half hour after sunset, or to shoot migratory game between sunrise and sunset. Which all means that aquatic wild fowl shooting is controlled by the United States law. Quail, rabbits, deer, etc., may be hunted and shot half an hour before sunrise or half an hour after sunset.

The open duck hunting season is but six days away, and barring heavy rains, which would scatter the birds far and wide, the opening days are full of promise for limit bags at all the bay counties shooting resorts.

Mallard and sprig have been plentiful for several weeks past. During the recent calm weather, big rafts of wild ducks have been seen loafing out on the ocean near the Farallones. Most of those birds were home-bred. Quite a number of flocks of northern birds have been noticed, however.

In the Alameda marshes ducks are already numerous. Along the Redwood and San Mateo shores sprig and mallard are more plentiful than for many years past.

The Los Banos country is pretty dry, and will not get any water this season, except the usual rainfall. This means the passing of what was one of the best duck-shooting grounds in the San Joaquin valley, and numerous gun clubs are now without a shooting ground. The Field and Tule Gun Club has pulled up stakes and located near Gridley on a 600 acre preserve.

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Hunting near Belden has been very good this season. A number of large bucks have been recently shot near there, small game is plentiful, and a chance may be had to bag a bear. J. A. Hatter, W. A. Hatter and E. G. McDonnell spent ten days in the McCloud river country. Deer seem to be plentiful in that district this season, three bucks being killed within two hours, the first morning out. Five bears were seen at different times. Bruin is not in good condition at this time of the year, either for pelt or table. Everybody in that district is out after deer, and there were many hunters, too, who got a deer limit this year.

Art Young, C. H. Allen, Fred Marston, R. O. Young and D. W. Cooke tried the northern part of Lake county for a ten-day camping trip. The party found deer were numerous in that region. Art Young killed two mountain lions shortly after they had attacked and eaten a deer.

"There is lots of deer this season, but they are high up and you have to climb up to them," say G. A. McRae and E. Brainard, who returned Sunday from a hunting trip near Belden. They report quail plentiful in the vicinity of the Feather river canyon and lots of trout. They got three large bucks in five days. On their trip they met a number of San Francisco and Oakland hunters.

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The wife of Dr. John Clark of Gilroy recently bagged a big mountain lion near Gilroy Hot Springs and the modern Diana is naturally proud of her success. With Dr. Clark and Jim Fitzgerald, the party was out for a deer hunt and camped near Big Gulch, three and a half miles from the springs. On Monday a fortnight ago Dr. Clark and Fitzgerald left for an early hunt. Mrs. Clark decided to remain in camp. At 7 o'clock she was startled by seeing a mountain lion near the camp. Running to her tent she grabbed a high-power rifle and although the first shot brought the animal down, she kept on shooting. The lion measured seven feet seven inches and weighed 148 pounds. The party also bagged two fine bucks.

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Hunting has been good in Siskiyou county, according to R. J. Perrin, of Santa Rosa, who has returned from a vacation outing in that locality. Perrin has to his credit two deer, a forked-horn buck and a three-pointer, and a big brown bear.

Another bear story is told by J. D. MacGaughey, who has just returned from a fishing trip on the American river. He took his 30-30 rifle with him and when he got into the mountains he met a Frenchman at a little camp. The mountaineer told him that he had trapped a large bear but had only a shotgun and did not want to attempt to kill it with that. MacGaughey consented to get bruin with his rifle. He found the bear caught in the trap. One shot between the eyes brought down the 600-pound beast.

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As a hunter of big game Millie Clerkin of Pike, in Sierra county, states the Sacramento Union, has no superior among either sex in California. She does not stop at deer or wildcat, but enjoys a hunt for the big brown bears that were formerly numerous in this county, but which are rapidly disappearing.

Sunday afternoon at the Gale ranch Miss Clerkin brought down a big bear that weighed between 500 and 600 pounds. Miss Clerkin is not the type of girl that one would expect to find in a big game hunter. She is slight, of a nervous temperament, a great reader and keeps abreast of the times in every particular.

SAN FRANCISCO FLY-CASTING CLUB.

The San Francisco Fly-Casting contests set for Sunday, October 3, were postponed—a gusty and shifting north wind interfered with the efforts of the contestants to put out their lines.

The Saturday scores are given below: Event 1—light tackle accuracy percentage. Event 2—dry fly accuracy percentage. Event 3—¼ ounce lure accuracy percentage. Event 4—¼ ounce lure distance, feet. Event 5—¼ ounce lure "slam" cast. Event 6—light tackle distance. Event 7—salmon fly distance.

The following points were made in the "in-and-out" event: Burgin 17, 3; Kewell, 6, 5; Springer, 5, Davis 1, Thomsen 2, Forbes 2.

Saturday Contest No. 9, Stow lake, October 2, 1915. Wind, southwest. Weather, fair.

Judges, H. A. Thomsen, Chas. H. Kewell, Joe Springer. Referee, W. J. Davis, Jr. Clerk, Chas. E. Hills, Jr.

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Joe Springer	99.32	99.4	99.3	...	...	91	122
Chas. H. Kewell	99.28	99.1	97.7	134	149	99	118
W. J. Davis, Jr.	99.24	99.3	97.8	128	160	113	...
Stanley Forbes	99.24	99.3	98.2	112	165	...	115
F. H. Reed	99.2	98.4	...	...	...	...	...
H. A. Thomsen, Jr.	99	99.5	...	...	...	103	119
F. A. Rogers	98.56	98.12	...	...	...	...	139
J. F. Burgin	98.20	98.12	96.4	...	...	97	134
Re-Entries—							
Chas. H. Kewell	99.28	98.12	98.3	...	...	...	117
F. H. Reed	99.16	99	...	...	...	...	...
H. A. Thomsen, Jr.	99.16	99.1	...	...	...	105	126
F. A. Rogers	98.20	99.1	...	...	...	...	...
Joe Springer	...	98.12	96.3	...	...	...	...
J. F. Burgin	...	...	...	...	...	...	129
Stanley Forbes	...	...	...	...	...	...	110

At the Traps

Beginners' Shoot.—The Beginners' day shoot of the Golden Gate Gun Club, scheduled for October 3, was postponed until tomorrow.

There will be one bulkhead ready for beginners—both men and women. Guns will be furnished those who are without a shooting-iron.

Professional instruction and advice will be at the disposal of the "beginners."

Another bulkhead will be at the service of the regulars.

A feature of the shoot will be the appearance of Mr. and Mrs. Ad Topperwein who will demonstrate fancy, trick and expert shooting with shotgun, rifle and revolver—a free exhibition at that and one worth going miles to see.

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Vernon Traps.—A regular tournament crowd, forty-three shooters in all, turned out Sunday, October 3, at the Vernon Gun Club to compete for the Stanton A. Bruner challenge trophy and the four silver blackbird watch fob trophies. Les J. McMurray annexed a leg on the trophy by shattering 49 birds out of the 50 shot at.

McMurray started out like a whirlwind, but missed his thirty-fifth bird, making a high run of thirty-four.

The shooters lined up at noon to begin the trophy event at 16 yards in two events of 25 birds.

The first squad up consisted of A. W. Bruner, R. L. Hall, S. A. Bruner, Dave Llewellyn and Hercules George Oliver. Second place in the trophy contest was captured by R. L. Hall with 48 dead birds out of the 50. Third place contest ended in a tie. Kenney, Blanchard, Llewellyn and Wiltshire were even with 47 breaks.

The fobs were contested for for the first time. The 50 birds in the trophy shoot also counted on the fobs. The shooters were divided into four classes though, giving each and every shooter a c hance to win. Added bird handicaps were given shooters in both events.

These fobs will be shot for until January 1. Then the scores in each class will be carefully gone over and the best shooter in each class will receive a fob as his permanent property.

H. D. Blanchard led the Class A Sunday with 47. McMurray was high in the B division with his 49 score. Kenney topped the C boys with 47 shattered targets and Van Nest and Lindman were even for first place in the D class, each with a 46x50 score.

A number of the shooters from the Los Angeles Athletic Club turned out to see how things were run in Vernon, among them being Harry Cline and Dr. Charles Richards. The scores follow:

Bruner Challenge Trophy—50 birds: Les J. McMurray49 R. L. Hall 48, Kenney 47, H. D. Blanchard 47, Dave Llewellyn 47, W. H. Wilshire 47, Guy Holohan 46, George Oliver 44, S. A. Bruner 39, J. E. Davis 28, S. C. Miller 22, William Pugh 41, C. E. Groat 37, Van Nest 26, Charles Norton 35, Hill 35, Orvie Overall 19, Charles Richards 25, Harry Cline 37, Ernie Werdin 29, George Cline 37, Dr. Cooper 24, Fullerton 34.

Practice shooting: A. W. Bruner shot at 150, broke 120; R. L. Hall 25—18, S. A. Bruner 50—41, Dave Llewellyn 75—57, George Oliver 75—60, Bert Perk 75—34, J. E. Davis 75—47, S. C. Miller 25—13, William Pugh 25—21, C. E. Groat 100—71, Van Nest 25—12, Charles Norton 25—18, Jessen 25—21, B. A. French 25—21, J. E. Jones 25—14.

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Live Bird Outing.—An outing and live bird shoot took place at Reclamation, in Sonoma county, Sunday, September 26. Messrs. Billeter, Bacigalupi, Devine and Kettleson had their initial experience at pigeon traps and made some excellent scores. Billeter used Clarence Nauman's "long Tom" Parker and grassed 27 birds before losing one. Captain Du Bray used a 28 gauge, shooting from the 28 yard peg. The birds trapped were an unusally strong lot. The scores follow:

Capt. Du Bray	1121	2212	1110	—11
Eugene Forster	2121	1021	1111	—11
Nauman	2121	0111	1111	—11
P. Bacigalupi	1101	2112	1011	—10
Billeter	1121	1120	2100	— 9
Billeter	1011	1121	1111	—11
Nauman	1121	1110	1111	—11
P. Bacigalupi	2112	1111	0111	—11
Devine	1012	1111	2111	—11
Eugene Forster	2102	2121	1121	—11
Capt. Du Bray	1011	1210	1111	—10
Billeter	1121	1112	2111	—12
Capt. Du Bray	2110	2122	1211	—11
E. Kettleson	1121	0121	1112	—11
Nauman	1111	1110	0211	—10
P. Bacigalupi	1011	2221	1120	—10
Devine	1111	2001	2212	—10
Eugene Forster	1211	0121	2220	—10
Edgar Forster	1112	1111	2111	—12
Nauman	2111	1011	1211	—11
Devine	1121	2021	1121	—11
Billeter	1112	1011	1111	—11
E. Kettleson	0110	2111	1121	—10

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Moraga Gun Club.—Two squads were at the club shoot last Sunday. Barney Worthen was the winner of a silver cup.

San Jose Shoot.—The Garden City Blue Rock Club had a shoot at its grounds Sunday, October 3, to let several new members try a round at blue rocks. These new shooters were used to shooting at wild game, but saw the difference when they started to shoot clay pigeons. They were all very much surprised when they saw August Richter, a 15-year-old boy, break 47 out of a possible 50.

Many present who tried found it very difficult, but by practicing a little will yet become very good shooters and have decided to stay with it till they do.

The other scores for the day were as follows: O. N. Ford, 46 out of 50; William McKagney, 42 out of 50; R. Schilling, 19 out of 25; H. Richter, 17 out of 25; T. Medici, 31 out of 50.

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Capitol City Wind-Up.—Members of the Big Time Gun Club last Sunday held their concluding shoot for the year at their range on the Schenck ranch, on the Fruit Ridge road. The club members took part in a merchandise 20-bird shoot. A number of visitors were in attendance, and several of them shattered a few birds each. The women members of the club were out in force.

The remainder of the year will be spent in hunting by the Big Timers. Honker time is nearing, and several bangstick artists are showing symptoms of mallard fever.

The club ended the season with a membership of 120. They expect to double the number next year.

WILL SUPPORT THE FEDERAL GAME LAW.

Evidence that the people of the country irrespective of section or occupation are deeply interested in the forthcoming test of the constitutionality of the Federal law for the protection of migratory birds, is furnished in the list of representative organizations of farmers, stock breeders, forest conservationists, sportsmen and others that have joined with the American Game Protective Association in the brief that its counsel, William S. Haskell, will ask leave to file in the defense of the law when the case is called before the United States Supreme Court on October 12.

The case comes up on appeal from the United States Court of the Eastern District of Arkansas in which, on May 13, 1914, the law was held unconstitutional.

The brief referred to constitutes impressive evidence of the widespread belief on the part of the people of the country that its continued economic welfare is closely related to the sustaining of the measure that provides absolute protection the year round for the large majority of birds that war on the insects which cause annual damage to the nation's crops alone, estimated by the United States Department of Agriculture at one billion, two hundred million dollars.

Thirty-eight states are represented in the organization signing the brief.

Following is a recapitulation of the signers:

State Conservation Commissions	26
State Agricultural Stations	3
National Agricultural Organizations	4
National Live Stock Breeders' Associations	3
Forestry Organizations	2
National Conservation Organizations	3
Sportsmen's Organizations—Local, State and National	45
Miscellaneous	5

Of the above mentioned such representative organizations as the Farmers' National Congress, U. S. A., of Omaha; Farmers' National Congress of the United States, Kendalia, W. Va.; National Association of Gardeners, American Cranberry Growers' Association, National Association of Exhibitors of Live Stock; American Academy of Arborists, and many others equally prominent.

The brief holds that the Federal Government has a right to assume control of birds which by nature migrate from State to State, because—

1. The interests of the people require such a law.
2. It is impossible for the several States to enforce their joint rights.
3. Migratory birds are of great assistance in destroying the insect foes of crops and forests.
4. Congress has the power to protect the agency which preserves the property of the United States from damage and destruction.
5. Migratory birds are the property of the nation.

The law whose constitutionality is called into question was passed March 4, 1913, and became effective October 1 of the same year. Its passage was brought about in large measure as the result of a campaign of the sportsmen of the country, conducted through their national organization, the American Game Protective Association.

A New Champion Here.—Housed in the finest quarters maintained for aristocratic canine visitors on the roof of the St. Francis has been, since coming here, Failsworth White Knight, Mrs. Anita Baldwin's imported English bulldog, which is shown for the first time in this country at the San Jose bench show this week, and will be seen later at the Exposition show.

Failsworth White Knight was bought from Sam Crabtree of Failsworth, England, for $2,000, it is reported. Crabtree did not want the dog to go to an American owner, so Mrs. Baldwin obtained the English champion for her Anoakia kennels through a woman friend in England.

The imported dog is an undefeated champion in England, winning first prize in every show since he made his puppyhood bow to the public.

PACIFIC COAST TRIALS.

The thirty-third annual field trials of the Pacific Coast Field Trials Club will take place in December instead of January, as has been the custom for many years past. The advance in dates was caused by the change in our game laws which closes the open season on quail January 1. The dates set are the 17th, 18th, 19th and 20th. The trials will start with the Derby stake, the Members' stake will follow, and the All-Age event will wind up the meeting on Sunday and Monday. John H. Schumacher of Los Angeles will be the presiding judge.

The sections of land in the vicinity of Gosford, where previous trials have been run, will be the scene of the coming trials. The grounds will be patroled and shooting prohibited. Birds are reported to be plentiful this year. E. C. Dodge, in charge of the Tevis kennels at Stockdale, has several likely Derby candidates in training. W. B. Coutts, the veteran trainer, will have his string of dogs at the Ashe ranch within a short time.

The officers of the club are: John W. Considine, president; Jack Flynn, first vice-president; J. Walter Scott, second vice-president; S. Christenson, secretary-treasurer; J. S. French, A. G. Wilkes, Phil M. Wand, Jos. Chanslor, and J. E. Terry, field trials committee.

GUN SHY DOGS.

Because young hunting dogs of certain strains are occasionally discovered to be gun shy it often is thought that this fault is congenital, but such is not the case, although the timidity which leads to gun shyness may be inherited, says a practical Eastern writer. This defect almost without exception is the result of too suddenly springing a gun upon a youngster of a naturally timid disposition. If we are to be guided by old sporting literature gun shyness is a fault trainers of dogs have had to contend with from time immemorial, but it undoubtedly has been more prevalent of late.

Most gun shyness is the result of careless handling and would never develop were each puppy taken in hand with due regard to its peculiar temperament. To ascertain if it is likely to be gun shy should be the first duty of the trainer, and steps must be taken to eradicate its fear before an attempt is made to break the youngster. Should gun shyness on the part of a dog not be discovered until the training has made progress it is a certain thing that all it has learned will be lost before the fault can be corrected.

A gun shy dog is thought by some to be incurable, but there is no bigger mistake than this, as the most obstinate cases have been known to yield to proper treatment. However, before giving the measures which should be taken to cure a dog it will be wise to describe how to prevent the development of such a defect. Trainers are inclined to despise a puppy which manifests a timid disposition, but this too is an error, for the shyest youngsters often become the best workers.

With the idea of ascertaining if a youngster is inclined to be gun shy it is an excellent plan to put it in an open yard and get a friend to fire a gun a hundred yards or so away. Undetected by the dog its owner should watch its actions on hearing the report. If the dog rushes for shelter in abject terror or seeks to hide itself in a corner the greatest care should be observed as regards future procedure. On the other hand, should it display interest and seek to get a sight of what is going on the firing may be brought nearer till at the end of ten days or so it may take place in the yard with the dog. If the youngster exhibits alarm on hearing the report its trainer should appear instantly, soothe the dog, and give it a tidbit to eat. Do not fire again till the incident has been forgotten, and then let it occur at a greater distance. The sound of the gun should again be the signal for the dog's owner to enter the kennel and feed it and it soon will be noticed that the dog will know that the sound of the gun is connected with the appearance of food.

Then the gun may be used to announce the feeding hour, and it should be fired each time nearer the kennel. Soon it will be noticed that the dog does not display the least fear. Another great step is made by placing an old gun on the ground and letting the dog inspect it thoroughly in his own way; this should always be done if it is seen that the dogs know that the gun is the author of the dreaded report. Trainers often turn a young dog that is known to be gun shy into a kennel where there are dogs that do not possess this defect. In five cases out of six the gun shy dog will pick up courage quickly from his companions.

However, as young dogs are impressionable, fear is contagious and care must be taken that the actions of the scared dog do not affect the entire lot. A young dog should not be shut up by himself during a heavy thunderstorm, as many dogs that have not been in the least gun shy have been known to develop the fault after being scared by a hard thunderstorm. The company of other dogs is welcome to a young dog during a heavy storm. Never take a dog that is suepected of being gun shy out with a large party or its distraction will be increased by the presence of strange men and strange dogs, and all the turmoil inseparable from a big day's shooting. Take the dog out alone or in the company of one steady old dog, the example of which under fire should have a beneficial effect upon the young dog.

Make it a strict rule never to hit a gun shy dog, but do everything to gain his confidence, as affection for his master will go a long way toward enabling the animal to master its fears. Do your best to kill game for the dog and to let it see the game fall, and also avoid double shots as they are certain to be very disconcerting. Once a young dog has begun to connect the report of a gun with the fall of game and has had an opportunity to retrieve, a great advantage will have been made. As before remarked, whatever training has been instilled into the dog must be sacrificed with the intention of curing it of gun shyness, and liberties may be allowed which would earn it many a thrashing under ordinary circumstances.

THE ORIGIN OF THE POINTER.

A writer in a kennel magazine, in referring to the English pointer states:

"The English pointer, which is almost in universal use today, was probably brought to perfection about 150 years ago, and is the result of a cross between the Spanish pointers of those days and the English foxhound, or even the Talbot hound of the same period. There were also pointers in France and Portugal, and perhaps Italy, before they were in England. It is curiously on record that about the first, if not the first, "Spanish" pointer was introduced into Britain by a merchant trading with Portugal. This sportsman, who resided in Norfolk, England, was so advanced in the art of fowling and firearms that he could kill game on the wing. This points to the first use of pellets of lead, now called shot. So the first pointer to arrive in England from Portugal was the one imported by the Norfolk merchant about 1730.

It was found that the double-nosed Spanish pointer was not at all good tempered, and the English did not like him for this reason. Indeed, he was not to be compared with their own fawning setter, which did exactly the same work as the newly imported pointer, save that the former "set" on his haunches or lay on his belly when he got close to the game, whereas the latter stood boldly up and "pointed." Hence the names of the setter and pointer.

But to return to the variety from Spain or Portugal, which it was thought well to cross with the foxfound. There was a celebrated sportsman of the latter part of the eighteenth century, Colonel Thornton by name. It was said that the Yorkshire gentleman was the first to use the strange blood, but whether he did or not, he possessed some wonderful dogs early in 1800.

There was one particularly good dog by the name of Dash. He was produced by a cross of the foxhound with a high-bred pointer bitch, this bitch being probably a descendant of the old and early cross between the Spanish breed and the English hound."

While it has been denied that the pointer contained a foxhound cross, every indication points to the truth of the above. To anyone familiar with the type of the Spanish pointer nothing looks more reasonable than that the present so-called English pointer is the result of a hound cross on the Spanish breed.

This is especially apparent in the differentiation in skull, muzzle and ears. The mark of the hound is often seen in the eyes, and in the comparatively long hair on the under side of the tail. That very few of the existing breeds of dogs are original species and that most of the breeds we have today are the result of innumerable crosses, cannot be denied. For all time the dog has been the close companion of man and the real origin of the various breeds will ever remain as great a mystery as that of the several races of men.

FIXTURES.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

November 2—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

Peters Points.

High general and high professional averages at Lincoln, Ill., Sept. 15-16, were won by Mr. Art Killam, 294 ex 300, using Peters factory loaded shells. Second and third amateur averages were won by Messrs Sheets and Gayle of Lincoln, Ill., with 287 and 285 respectively, both with Peters shells.

At Monticello, Ill., Sept. 17, high general average was won by Mr. H. W. Cadwallader, 119 ex 125, with the "P" brand.

At Belleville, Ill., Messrs. S. E. McGeehon and E. J. Linde, both of O'Fallon, tied for high amateur average, 94 ex 100, with Peters factory loaded shells.

Rem-UMC Notes.

Portland, Ore., has good cause to be proud of P. H. O'Brien's recent trapshooting achievement at a tournament in that city. Not satisfied with a perfect score of 200 x 200, Mr. O'Brien kept up his good work, breaking 240 targets straight—the Pacific Coast record.

Rush Razee has of late been doing some remarkable work with his Remington Pump gun and Nitro Club shells. In Iowa, recently he made straight runs of 94, 269, and 94 on three consecutive days, thus making a long run of 338. During this year he has shot at 2,665 targets, his average being 96.34%. His list of long runs consists of 137 straight at the North Dakota State shoot, 146 at Laport and Nevada, Ia., five runs of between 75 and 100, and 7 over 50.

PROGRAM AND ENTRIES FOR THE EXPOSITION TROTS.

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Rose Equity, b m by Equity—Anna Rose by Orphan Knight. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
College Gent, bl h by Kentucky Patterson—Belle H. by Senator Crisp. Jos. Carson, Winnipeg, Man.
Teddy Bear, br h by Del Coronado—Queen S. by Sable Wilkes. Chasil F. Silva, Sacramento.
Major Ong, b g by Major Gantz—Bessie J. by Iowa Sentinel. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Peter Farren, b h by Peter the Great—Nelly Farren by Jay Bird. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Hal S., rn g by Hal Chaffin—Bessie Hal by Red Hal. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Third Race—2:08 Class Trotting—$5,000.

Albaloma, b g by Almaden D.—Loma B. by Stam B. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Esperanza, b m by Carlokin—My Irene S. by Petigru. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr by Zombro. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Axtien, ch h by Axworthy—Protien by Glenwold. S. Harris, Plymouth, Ill.
Gold Dollar, ch g by Pulsus—Daisy Golddust by Emerson Golddust. Gus Macey, Huntsville, Ala.
Dean Swift, b g by Almaden D.—Fashion by Kentucky. D. D. McDonald, Sacramento.
Electric Patch, bl h by Dan Patch—Zella Directum by Directum. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Pass All, bl h by Crystallion—Miss Daisy Deane by Guardsman. E. A. Colburn, Denver.
Peter McCormick, br h by Peter the Great—Pearl Cecil by Cecil W. V. L. Shuler, Pleasanton.
Vallejo King, bl h by Gen. J. B. Frisbie—Reinette by Dexter Prince. Thomas Smith, Vallejo.
Lulu Lumine, b m by Orator—Lumine by Stately. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Bright Axworthy, b g by Axworthy—Honor Bright by Antonio. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great—Jenny Scott by Bryson. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Monday, Nov. 8th

First Race—2:16 Class Trotting—$2,000.

Matawan, br g by Athadon—Cora Wickersham by Junio. H. C. Ahlers, San Francisco.
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby. Alex. Brown, Walnut Grove.
Irving Heart, b h by Great Heart—Crawford Mare by Piloteer. H. W. Buckbee, Rockport, Ill.
Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide—Lillian W. by Harry Hontas. Frank Childs, Pleasanton.
Bon Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney—Helen Keyes by Sidney Dillon. W. A. Clark, Jr., Los Angeles.
Mabel, b m by Sir John S.—Babe by Lynmont. G. H. Magruder, Yuba City.
Miss Johnson, b m by Happy Treasure—Maud Johnson by Happy Heir. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
Copper the Ore, bl m by Direct Heir—May Kinney by Silkwood. Al Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Columbia T., b m by Bon Guy—May T. by Monterey. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Lottie Ansel, br m by Prince Ansel—Lottie Whippleton by San Diego. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
Seneca Boy, ch g by King Entertainer—Seneca Maid by John Adams. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg.
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen—Lizzie Belle Smith by Geo. Simmons. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Barbara Overton, b m by Sahib—Mabel Swope by Ashland Wilkes. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Second Race—2:24 Class Trotting—$2,000.

Golden State, b g by Stam B.—Zaya by Bay Bird. Blackwell & Hendrickson, Rocklin.
Major's By Guy, br h by Major Dillon—Ry Guy by Guy Wilkes. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Bon Cres, bl h by Bon Voyage—Kate Kopje by Cresceus. J. J. Campbell, Pasadena.
Lauretta Todd, b m by Sorrento Todd—Silver Tier by Ashton W. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D.
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney—Helen Simmons by Simmons. V. K. Dunne, San Francisco.
A. R. G., b h by Gumaer Hal—Claudia Chimes by Chimes. A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
The Proof, br h by The Exponent—Chord by Wilkes Boy. M. C. Keefer, Pleasanton.
Sutter Girl, b m by Sir John S.—Babe by Lynmont. G. H. Magruder, Yuba City.
Miss Perfection, br m by Gen. Watts—Sue Fletcher by Tregantle. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Little Grove, br h by Walnut Grove—May Day by Roy Wood. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
Mary E. Patch, b m by Dan Patch—Prelissa by The Prelate. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Robert Bingen, b h by Bingen—Episode by Ambassador. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great—Jenny Scott by Bryson. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Margaret Parrish, b m by Vice Commodore—Lady Leyburn by Arion. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Helen Worthy, b m by Barondale—Lulu Worthy by Axworthy. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Third Race—Stanford Stake, 3-Y. O. Trotters—$1,200.

Starters to be named later.

Tuesday, Nov. 9th

First Race—State Fair Futurity, 2-Y. O. Trotters—$600.

Starters to be named later.

Second Race—2:09 Class Trotting—$2,500.

Albaloma, b g by Almaden D.—Loma B. by Stam B. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Esperanza, b m by Carlokin—My Irene S. by Petigru. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Axtien, ch h by Axworthy—Protien by Glenwold. Samuel Harris, Plymouth, Ill.
Gold Dollar, ch g by Pulsus—Daisy Golddust by Emerson Golddust. Gus Macey, Huntsville, Ala.
Jean Arion, b m by Arion—Sarah Shelton by Bedford. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Peter McCormick, br h by Peter the Great—Pearl Cecil by Cecil W. V. L. Shuler, Pleasanton.
Kid Cupid, ch g by Cupid—Zarina by Dexter Prince. L. B. Daniels, Sacramento.
Vallejo King, bl h by Gen. J. B. Frisbie—Reinette by Dexter Prince. Thomas Smith, Vallejo.
Miss Densmore, ch m by Vyzant—Nina Densmore by Hamdallah. F. L. Wacholtz, Los Angeles.
Lulu Lumine, b m by Orator—Lumine by Stately. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Bright Axworthy, b g by Axworthy—Honor Bright by Antonio. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Third Race—2:11 Class Pacing—$2,000.

O. U. C., b g by C. The Limit—Rosie Woodburn by Easter Wilkes. S. S. Bailey, Pleasanton.
Pointer's Daughter, b m by Star Pointer—Banker's Daughter by Arthur Wilkes. G. L. Blosser, Santa Maria.
Don C., ch g by Mexican Chief—Molly by Hedgewood Boy. H. W. Buckbee, Rockford, Ill.
Zorene, ch m by Zolock—My Irene S. by Petigru. P. J. Chalmers, Stockton.
Imbro, br h by Zombro—Athelene by Coeur d'Alene. F. M. Anderson, Portland, Ore.
Don Conamore, b g by Don Densmore—Francona by Greystone. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D.
Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro—Bonnie Ailsie by Faustino. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Soumise, b m by Billy Dunlap—Cricket Basler by Robert Basler. R. L. Friend, Porterville.
Maxine, b m by Jim Logan—Trilby Maid by Black Ralph Jr. Miss Maxine Montgomery, Davis.
Red Rock, ch g by Louis Wilkes—Red Bird by E. S. J. F. Maguire, Denver.
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.—Altalena by Altamont. Edw. Peterson, Omaha.
Princess Patch, b m by Dan Patch—International Queen by Tom Exum. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
John Malcolm, br g by Dan Logan—Susie Miller by Prince Ansel. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Conqueror, b g by Direct Heir—La Belle by Sidney. Valencia Stock Farm, San Bernardino.

Wednesday, Nov. 10th

First Race—State Fair Futurity, 2-Y. O. Pacers—$400.

Starters to be named later.

Second Race—2:20 Class Pacing—$2,000.

A. B. C., bl h by Young Monterey—Rosalie by Dudley. W. B. Alford, Ferndale.
Sadie Densmore, ch m by Don Densmore—Florence D. by Col. McCoy. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D.
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy. J. F. Dunne, Gilroy.
Baby Gommet, b m by Prince McKinney—Arawanna B. by Sidney Dillon. F. Gommet, San Francisco.
Monk, b g by Saraway—Daisy H. by Clark Chief Jr. A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
Mack Fitzsimmons, ch g by Bob Fitzsimmons—Jennie High Noon by High Noon. B. F. Jaggar, Portland, Ore.
Marlin, b g by Dialect—by Clarence Wilkes. H. S. Hogoboom, Woodland.
Trilby, b m by Sir John S.—Babe by Lynmont. G. H. Magruder, Yuba City.
Zomblack, bl h by Zombro—Madeline Marshall by Demonio. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Donald, b g by Golden Baron—Kitty by Knight. D. D. McDonald, Sacramento.
Direct Line, b h by Baron Direct—Woodland Echo by Woodline. J. F. McGuire, Denver.
G. C. W., br h by Walnut Grove—Little Queen by Jackdaw. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
Buzz Patch, bl m by Dan Patch—Heloise Grattan by Grattan. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Fleeta Dillon, b m by Sidney Dillon—Lady Hilda Hills by Wilkes Boy. V. L. Shuler, Pleasanton.
Oro Mo, ch g by Demonio—Hanora by Oro Wilkes. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Tom Style, br h by All Style—Annabell by Arner. I. L. Tucker, Oroville.
Josie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Josie D. by Nutwood Wilkes. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
Jean, b m by Flosko. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Peter Farren, b h by Peter the Great—Nelly Farren by Jay Bird. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Third Race—2:19 Class Trotting—$2,000.

Matawan, br g by Athadon—Cora Wickersham by Junio. H. C. Ahlers, San Francisco.
Loe Blossom, ch m by Lepide—Lillian W. by Harry Hontas. Frank Childs, Pleasanton.
Major By By, ch g by Major Dillon—By By by Nutwood. Marvin Childs, Pleasanton.
Bertha Pointer, b m by Del Coronado—Belle Pointer by Sky Pointer. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zepyr by Zombro. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Old Folks, br g by Del Coronado—Iran Belle by Iran Alto. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Sultan, b g by Suomi—Manila by Rockwood. J. J. Gethin, San Francisco.
Policia, ch m by Best Policy—Alta Almont by Prince Almont. Mrs. I. M. Lipson, Tulare.
Pronto J., bl g by Strathway. R. D. Morrison, Hemet.
Agnes Carter, b m by Nutwood Wilkes—Excella by Monbells. Al Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Future Tramp, b g by Trampfast—Future Princess Ideal by Chimes. T. D. Sexton, Oakland.
Linwood Mack, ch g by Sir John—Lynwood Bell by Lynwood W. Geo. G. Smith, Logan, Utah.
Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great—Jenny Scott by Bryson. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Margaret Parrish, b m by Vice Commodore—Lady Leyburn by Arion. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Helen Worthy, b m by Barongale—Lulu Worthy by Axworthy. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Thursday, Nov. 11

First Race—2:14 Class Trotting—$2,000.

Matawan, br g by Athadon—Cora Wickersham by Junio. H. C. Ahlers, San Francisco.
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby. Alex. Brown, Walnut Grove.
Irving Heart, b h by Great Heart—Crawford Mare by Piloteer. H. W. Buckbee, Rockford, Ill.
Bon Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney—Helen Keyes by Sidney Dillon. W. A. Clark, Jr., Los Angeles.
Miss Perfection, br m by Gen. Watts—Sue Fletcher by Tregantle. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Merry Widow, ch m by G. Albert Mac—Belle Lynn by Diablo. W. Parsons, Salinas.
Miss Johnson, b m by Happy Treasure—Maud Johnson by Happy Heir. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
Lottie Ansel, br m by Prince Ansel—Lottie Whippleton by San Diego. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
Great Isle, b h by Peter the Great—Belle Isle by Actell. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen—Lizzie Belle Smith by Geo. Simmons. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Boma, b m by Bingara—Kavala by Kremlin. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Second Race—2:17 Class Pacing—$2,000.

Lizzie Dillon, br m by Sidney Dillon—Angela S. by Silent Chimes. C. E. Bowman, Walla Walla.
Don B., br g by Don Densmore—Mary B. by Mexicana. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D.
William G., ch g by Clarence Wilkes—Wax by Senator Boggs. Wm. Duncan, Agt., Colusa.
Hamburg Belle, b m by Stillwell—Lucy by Memphis. John Ginocchio, San Francisco.
Prince Zolock, bl h by Zolock—Princess Direct by Teddy A. H. A. Gardiner, Walla Walla.
Pointer Belle, b m by Star Pointer—Dictatus Belle by Dictatus. J. M. Kidd, San Francisco.
Molly, b m by Knox—Pet. M. G. Leggitt, Hanford.
Zoetrix, ch m by Zolock—Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes. J. W. Marshall, Dixon.
F. H. Holloway, ch g by Geo. W. McKinney—Lady Zombro by Zombro. R. D. Morrison, Hemet.
Power Patch, b h by Dan Patch—Effie Powers by Anderson Wilkes. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
The Fool, b g by Dick Russell—Babe T. by Rajah. I. L. Tucker, Oroville.
Hal S., rn g by Hal Chaffin—Bessie Hal by Red Hal. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Jean, b m by Flosko. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Peter Farren, b h by Peter the Great—Nelly Farren by Jay Bird. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Third Race—Breeders Futurity, 2-Y. O. Pacers—$1,200.

Starters to be named later.

Friday, Nov. 12th

First Race—State Fair Futurity, 3-Y. O. Pacers—$1,500.

Starters to be named later.

Second Race—2:11 Class Trotting—$2,500.

Baby Doll, b m by Tom Smith—Kate Lumry by Shadeland Onward. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Bon Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney—Helen Keyes by Sidney Dillon. W. A. Clark, Jr., Los Angeles.
Esperanza, b m by Carlokin—My Irene S. by Petigru. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr by Zombro. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
A. R. G., b h by Gumaer Hal—Claudia Chimes by Chimes. A. R. Gumaer, Florence, Colo.
Axtien, ch h by Axworthy—Protien by Glenwold. Samuel Harris, Plymouth, Ill.
The Proof, br h by The Exponent—Chord by Wilkes Boy. M. C. Keefer, Pleasanton.
Bertha Carey, b m by Zombro—Nell by Bob Mason. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
John Mack, b g by Geo. A. Fuller—Ida Purple by Cutting. F. L. McQuilty, Curran, Ill.
Pass All, bl h by Crystallion—Miss Daisy Deane by Guardsman. E. A. Colburn, Denver.
John Gwynne, b h by McMyrtle—by Secretary. V. L. Shuler, Pleasanton.
Kid Cupid, ch g by Cupid—Zarina by Dexter Prince. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Vallejo King, bl h by Gen. J. B. Frisbie—Reinette by Dexter Prince. Thomas Smith, Vallejo.
Miss Densmore, ch m by Vyzant—Nina Densmore by Hamdallah. F. L. Wacholtz, Los Angeles.
Boma, b m by Bingara—Kavala by Kremlin. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Great Isle, b h by Peter the Great—Bell Isle by Actell. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Sadie S., b m by Archdale—Catherine S. by Patronage. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Third Race—2:13 Class Pacing—$2,000.

Don C., ch g by Mexican Chief—Molly by Hedgewood Boy. H. W. Buckbee, Rockford, Ill.
Athol R., gr g by Athablo—Edith by Milton R. Jas. L. Bullock, Hanford.
Trix McAdrian, br m by McAdrian—Mountain Lass by Mountain Boy. P. J. Chalmers, Stockton.
Imbro, br h by Zombro—Athelene by Coeur d'Alene. F. M. Anderson, Portland, Ore.
Lizzie Dillon, br m by Sidney Dillon—Angela S. by Silent Chimes. C. E. Bowman, Walla Walla.
Sirius Pointer, b h by Star Pointer—Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes. H. H. Boomer, Spokane, Wash.
Lillian Green, br m by Col. Green—Lillian Zolock by Zolock. D. A. Dinnie, Minot, N. D.
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy. J. F. Dunne, Gilroy.
Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro—Bonnie Ailsie by Faustino. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince—Psyche. W. J. Kenney, San Francisco.
Maxine, b m by Jim Logan—Trilby Maid by Black Ralph Jr. Miss Maxine Montgomery, Davis.
Donald, b g by Golden Baron—Kitty by Knight. D. D. McDonald, Sacramento.
Direct Line, b h by Baron Direct—Woodland Echo by Woodline. J. F. McGuire, Denver.
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio—Potrero Girl by Prince Airlie. C. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Strathtell, b h by Motell—Ruth Strathberry by Strathberry. Joseph Carson, Winnipeg.
Hal S., rn g by Hal Chaffin—Bessie Hal by Red Hal. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Derby Custer, ch h by Ed Custer—Princess Derby by Chas. Derby. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Saturday, Nov. 13th

First Race—Pacific Breeders Futurity, 3-Y. O. Trotters—$2,800.

Starters to be named later.

Second Race—2:06 Class Pace—$20,000.

Loch Lomond, b g by Zolock—Daisy McKinney by McKinney. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
College Gent, bl h by Kentucky Patterson—Belle H. by Senator Crisp. Jos. Carson, Winnipeg, Man.
Hemet, br g by Geo. W. McKinney—Lady Zombro by Zombro. Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet.
Impetuous Palmer, b h by Impetuous Devil—Lilee Palmer by Norval King. L. C. Kinney, Bushnell, Neb.
Patrick de Oro, b h by Copa de Oro—Easter D. by Diablo. J. W. McClain, Monarch, Alta.
The Beaver, br h by Searchlight—Ripple by Glenbrook. E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg, Man.
Little Bernice, b m by Del Coronado—by Sky Pointer. S. Watkins, Los Angeles.
Rose Equity, br m by Equity—Anna Rose by Orphan Knight. A. F. Ruthven, Kansas City.
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.—Altalena by Altamont. Edw. Peterson, Omaha.
Red Rock, ch g by Louis Wilkes—Red Bird by E. S. Joe F. McGuire, Denver.
Walnut Grove, bl h by Constantine—Lindis by Jackdaw. J. A. Young, Port Arthur, Tex.
O. U. C., b g by C. The Limit—Rosie Woodburn by Easter Wilkes. W. O. Foote, Bonham, Tex.
Princess Patch, b m by Dan Patch—International Queen by Tom Exum. International 1:55 Horse Farm.
Zomblack, b h by Zombro—Madeline Marshall by Demonio. R. J. MacKenzie, Pleasanton.
Major Ong, b g by Major Gantz—Bessie J. by Iowa Sentinel. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Peter Farren, b h by Peter the Great—Nelly Farren by Jay Bird. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
Hal S., rn g by Hal Chaffin—Bessie Hal by Red Hal. Thos. W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.
San Jacinto, b g by Geo. W. McKinney—Dot by Del Norte. Jas. McGuire, Riverside.
Alcy E., b m by Alcymont—Equity Madam by Equitywood. Geo. B. Dryden, Chicago.
White Sox, b m by Del Coronado—Subito by Steinway. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.

REMEMBER THE CALIFORNIA SALES.

All horsemen who are headed toward San Francisco for the P.-P. I. E. meeting are reminded of the exceptional opportunities for profit afforded both sellers and buyers by the two sales that are to be held in a few weeks—that of Woodland Stock Farm on Monday, October 25, at the farm, and that of Chas. L. DeRyder to be held in this city while the meeting is in progress. Interested parties should lose no time in getting into communication with Messrs. Harry Dowling and C. L. DeRyder, managers of the events, addressing the former at Woodland and the latter at Pleasanton.

THE FARM

BITTER SLOVER AS A GREEN MANURE CROP IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

[By W. M. Mertz]

Melilotus indica, or bitter clover, also known in some sections as yellow top, will make a satisfactory development during the cool winter months of southern California.

It has outyielded common vetch and Canadian field peas, the two legumes most generally used in the past.

It has increased the yield of the crops following its incorporation in the soil, to a greater extent than any of the other legumes tested.

It is practically immune to aphis injury and will stand more frost than either vetch or peas.

It starts slowly and must be planted not later than October fifteenth if it is to be plowed under by March.

The seed of this clover is now largely a by-product, being separated from the screenings of wheat in which it is often a prevalent weed. It is a heavy seed producer, and should the supply from the above mentioned source be insufficient, it could be grown as a seed crop at a cost much below that of most other clovers.

At the present writing, good recleaned seed can be obtained at from 7 to 10 cents per pound. This makes the seed cost less per acre than vetch or peas.

Per Acre:

25 lbs., M. indica, at 10c.....	$2.50
75 lbs., Common vetch, at 4c	3.00
100 lbs., Canadian peas, at 4c	4.00

In the southwest, especially in Arizona and California, a yellow flowering annual species of Melilotus is found growing wild under widely differing climatic and soil environments. This species, Melilotus indica, has been looked upon as a pest in many sections where it is a prevalent week in grain fields. Recently, however, this crop has proved to be well adapted for growing in the winter as a green-manuring crop and has been used to a limited extent in the citrus orchards both in California and Arizona.

Melilotus indica is the only one of the three common species of Melilotus that will make a satisfactory winter growth under California conditions. M. alba, or sweet clover, makes a good summer growth and under conditions where the growing of a summer green manure crop is feasible this sweet clover seems to be superior to cow peas, buckwheat, or soja beans.

During the past winter, 1914-15, M. ilndica was grown to a considerable extent in practically all of the citrus sections of California. Reports have been received from all parts of the state telling of success with this new cover crop, and the writer has seen heavy tonnages of it produced on most of the soil types common to southern California, from the cobble stone soil of canyon washes to the stiffest of clay adobes.

For the past five years, M. indica has been tested as a green manure crop at the Citrus Experiment Station and has uniformly given very satisfactory results. From the start this crop gave good tonnages of organic material, and in the yields of the crops following it, marked increases were obtained. In this series of experiments, tenth acre plats were used, there being a total of seventeen plats. On nine plats different legumes were used as winter cover crops. On every alternate plat a non-legume, rye or barley, was used as a winter cover crop, these being check plats in comparison with the legumes. All of the green manure crops are sown during September and turned under early in the spring, either in February or March. Irrigations at monthly intervals are given these crops until the winter rains begin. After plowing under the winter cover crops on the different plats, various field crops, as potatoes, corn, or sugar beets, are planted over the area as indicators of the comparative value of the different cover crops as green manures. An equal-sized plat of these field crops are harvested, and accurate weighings made of the yields of each plat. In a comparison of these nine legume plats with the cereal plats, the effects on the crop following the incorporation of these green manures were quite varied.

In every case, the crops, following the incorporation of the legumes, gave yields much in excess of those grown after a cereal crop had been turned under. There was also a considerable difference in the effect of the various legumes. The common vetch, Vicia sativa, which has been more extensively used for green manuring than any other legume, gave a much less marked increase in yield in the test crops following it than several of the other less common legumes. Taking the non-legume plats as checks, Melilotus indica, as a green manure, resulted in an average increase in yield of the test crops following it of 64.8 per cent, while common vetch, V. sativa, gave only 28.7 per cent, bur clover, Medicago denticulata, 30.4 per cent, and Canadian peas, Pistum arvense, 43.3 per cent.

In this experiment four of the eight cereal plats had applied to them different amounts of nitrogenous fertilizers in the form of nitrate of soda or dried blood. In one case the application was at the rate of 1092 pounds of nitrate of soda or 1188 pounds of dried blood per acre. The effect of this addition of nitrogen was very noticeable with all the field crops. Even after applying this heavy application of nitrogen in addition to the green manure crop of rye or barley, the average percentage of increase in the field crops following was only 45.6 per cent or fully one-third less than that obtained from the use of a green manure crop of Melilotus indica without further nitrogen additions of any sort.

The average tonnage of green tops produced by this melilotus clover has always compared favorably with any of the other crops grown, either legumes or cereals. The root system of this plant, however, is much larger than that of the vetches or peas. A deep tap-root is characteristic of all melilotus clovers, and although this species is an annual, it is no exception in this regard. In fact, six-months-old plants have shown tap-roots penetrating to a depth of eight feet under ordinary orchard conditions.

Most of the orchard soils in southern California have a tendency to form a plow sole or irrigation hardpan. This is commonly considered to be caused in large measure by the frequent cultivations and irrigations. The frequent stirring of the dry pulverized soil, together with frequent applications of water, tends to sift out and wash down the finer clay particles and deposit them in a dense hard layer of varying thickness, just under the cultivated area. Cultivating the soil when it is too wet or too dry tends to change the physical condition of the clay and make this hardpan condition worse. Much can be done toward bettering this condition through proper methods of the cultivations, but even under the best of conditions many of our soils become more or less impervious to water if something is not done to open up this compact layer. Nothing seems to do this as satisfactorily as do roots of rapid-growing, deep-rooted plants. Our experience has shown that the difference in the time necessary to wet the soil to a depth of four feet is very marked between plats having no green-manure crop and those growing each winter a crop of M. indica or vetch. For this purpose, M. indica is superior to any of the other winter-growing legumes now available.

Under orchard conditions in the citrus sections where it is ordinarily thought highly advisable to plow early, that is, during February and March, it is necessary to sow M. indica not later than the middle of October if a satisfactory growth is to be had by plowing time. In walnuts and other irrigated, deciduous orchards, where it is considered possible to plow later without injury, the planting of this bitter clover as late as December 15th has given very satisfactory results. The rate of seeding depends upon two factors—the actual area of land planted and the quality of the seed sown.

At present ,the seed of M. indica is largely obtained from the screenings of wheat, and unless thoroughly recleaned is apt to contain much weed seed and considerable immature seed. Many samples of this seed also show from 5 to 20 per cent of hard seeds which do not germinate the first season. For these reasons the quantity of seed recommended is greater than would be necessary with seed of high quality. The best results have usually followed the sowing of from 20 to 35 pounds of seed per acre, when practically all the land is planted, the amount per acre to be reduced as the trees take up appreciable space. Experience has shown that in most cases much better results are obtained when the seed is sown on the dry-mulch before irrigating rather than in the moist soil just after irrigation, as is the common practice with vetches and peas.

The seed is very small and under orchard conditions should be sown broadcast and then lightly cultivated or harrowed into the soil. The irrigation furrows should then be made close enough together to permit of as complete a wetting of the surface as possible. This is necessary if a uniform stand is to be obtained over all the land. Otherwise, much of the seed will not germinate until the rains begin. On very fine sandy soil good results have followed sowing the seed after an irrigation and then cultivating it in while the surface soil is still quite moist. On all other types of soil this method has never given good results.

All legumes have the power of taking nitrogen from the air indirectly through the bacteria which are naturally present in the nodules on the roots of this group of plants. Under cultivation, however, many such plants are sown on soil new to the plant and in which the necessary species of bacteria may be absent. Most legumes will develop to a fair degree without the assistance of the bacteria, but all grow better with the added supply of nitrogen which these tiny organisms make available to them. When legumes are used as soiling crops, it is necessary to have good inoculation of the plant roots if any considerable amount of nitrogen is to be added to the soil through the decay of these crops. Melilotus indica grows wild over much of the state and is in this wild condition naturally well inoculated.

The bacteria that are found in the nodules on the roots of the common bur clover, Medicago denticulata, are the same species as that which inoculates the sweet clovers and alfalfa. For this reason, many of our soils do not need further inoculation to grow Melilotus indica, and to insure the addition of the maximum amount of nitrogen from the air. There are, however, many orchard soils that have been clean cultivated for so long a time that these organisms may not be present in sufficient numbers. On such soils inoculation is desirable.

Directions for inexpensive inoculation are given in Circular No. 87 of the University of California Experiment Station, on "Alfalfa."

COLTS FROM WORK MARES.

Some buyers found a cornbelt breeder of Percherons in the midst of his haying. He was just a small breeder on an average-size farm, and his half-dozen gray mares were all in the harness. The day was hot and they were wet with sweat. Their great frames carried no surplus of fat, but displayed powerful knotted muscles. One could see at a glance that the three pairs of mares were paying their way in the ordinary everyday work of the farm. A wagon was just unloaded and the mares hitched to it backed it swiftly and steadily out of the old-fashioned central driveway of the barn, down the incline and out to one side with scarcely a word from the driver. Another pair stood hitched to a big load of hay, and at the word they stepped smartly forward and did not even falter as the first front wheels and then the hind ones jolted heavily against the abrupt ascent onto the barn floor. The third pair, hitched to the fork rope, sprang forward so eagerly at a call from the barn that the boy driver had to saw stoutly on the reins, while about one-fourth of the wagonload was ripped loose from the rest and swung up into the loft like a feather.

The owner went with the visitors to show five young stallions, all sound, shapely and active. Then some one asked if he had no foals this year. In answer he swung open the door to a big dark boxstall and five youngsters within came to their feet. Their owner patted them one at a time and explained their respective relationships to the yearlings and two-year-old stallions he had just shown. As they talked about the merits and probable development of these foals noontime drew on and the mares came around to the stable where each foal picked its dam and took its milk. Then the foals tudned to the oats in little feed-boxes beside their dams.

Here was convincing proof that a pedigree draft mare need not be babied or kept in idleness. It was also evident that the foals suffered little if any setback because the mares worked. The youngsters had early learned to eat oats and hay during the day at the barn. They ran and played and cropped the grass in the pasture at night with the mares. They suffered almost no injury from flies. They grew contentedly, rapidly and economically. Certainly one is assured that mares so handled will breed and work at the same time. Presumably their offspring will do likewise. They fill the requirements for profitable farm horses.—Breeders' Gazette.



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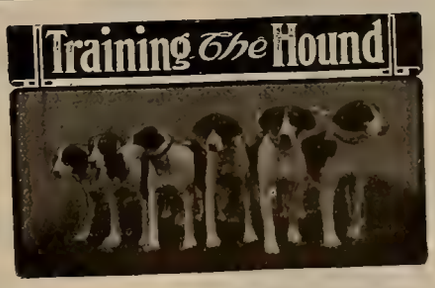
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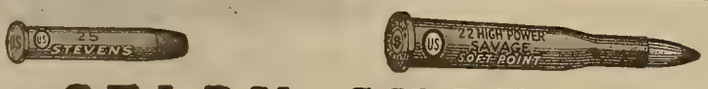
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Chas. W. Winter's Great Show Horse
ALHAMBRA PRINCE (3) 2:27.
The son of Redlac 2:07½ and Patti Mack has won all his shows in Southern California and was invincible at the Exposition Horse Show, which closed Wednesday.

JUST A MOMENT, MR. HORSEMAN: Read this short dispatch from the Blue Grass:

"Marvin, trainer of William 1:58½, paid $610, top price of sale for Verbena Ansel (1) 2:22; Anselot (1) 2:28½ brought $535; Edna Ansel $235; Prince Ansel yearlings outsold all other horses in Lexington sale."

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BAY GELDING, yearling, by BONADAY 2:11¼, dam ONISKA (dam of San Francisco 2:07¾, sire of MARY PUTNEY (3) 2:05½, world's champion three-year-old trotting filly) by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½. This is a snappy, nervy youngster and a trotter.

LOTTIE WHIPPLETON 2:15 (dam of the world's champion yearling trotting gelding Anselot (1) 2:28½; Prince Lot 2:07¾, Lottie Ansel (2) 2:14¼ and Ruth Ansel (3) 2:21; in foal to Robert Bingen. This is one of the grandest matrons in the land.

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Brown colt, yearling, by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, dam Silver Haw (dam of Helen Stiles 2:06¼, etc.) by Silver Bow 2:16; can trot quarter in forty seconds.

Ruby Crellin, by C. the Limit 2:03¼, dam La Moscovita (dam of Bon Guy (3) 2:11¾, etc.) by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼, and filly foal by Robert Bingen 2:11¼; in foal to Robert Bingen.

Maggie Hall by Moko, dam Maggie Yeazer (dam of Walnut Hall 2:08¼, etc.) by Red Wilkes; in foal to Robert Bingen.

Peter's Queen, b m (4) by Peter the Great 2:07¼, dam Sonoma Queen 2:25, trial 2:10½ (full sister to Sonoma Girl 2:04¼); this mare can show half in 1:06 now, quarter in :32, and will trot in 2:10 this fall; she is one to buy to race and breed.

Decoratio by Prince Ansel, dam Magella B. (dam of 3) by Nushagak.

Princess Josie by Prince Ansel, dam Josie D. (dam of Joseph Ansel (3) 2:12¾, etc.,) by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½.

Princess Viola by Prince Ansel, dam Viola by Gen. Benton.

Silver Haw (dam of Helen Stiles 2:06¼) by Silver Bow; colt at foot by True Kinney 2:12¼.

Woodland Bonnie Derby (dam of Bonnie Ansel 2:11¼, Bonnie Princess, trial 2:07¼, etc.) by Chas. Derby 2:20, dam Bonnie Red by Red Wilkes.

Josie D. (dam of Joseph Ansel (3) 2:12¾, etc.) by Nutwood Wilkes, dam Everette (dam of Wesos 2:12¼, etc.) by Nephew; colt at foot by True Kinney 2:12¼.

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Two-year-old filly by The Bondsman, dam Rosemary 2:25 by Raymon 2:27¼; nicely broken as a yearling, since when she has been on pasture.

Blanca S. (5) by Red McK. 43766, dam Katherine A. by Diablo 2:09¼; a show mare, never trained for speed.

Katherine A., brood mare by Diablo 2:09¼, dam by A. W. Richmond.

Rosemary 2:25, brood mare, by Raymon 2:27¼, dam Black Bess by Guide 2:16¼.

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MARY PUTNEY'S CALIFORNIA ANCESTRY.

World's champion trotters, their breeding and their performance, always furnish welcome topics for discussion by lovers of the horse, among both professional followers of the breeding and racing industry and among very many of the horse-loving public. A new record holder is always warmly welcomed and much talked of, and none have had a more meteoric brief career than the three-year-old filly Mary Putney (3) 2:05½, who in the hands of Dick McMahon has made a clean sweep of the Horse Review, Horseman and Kentucky futurities. She is of exceptional interest to coast horsemen at this time, not merely because she is a champion, but because of her California ancestry and of the relationship borne to her by a trio of horses included in the Woodland Stock Farm sale which takes place on the farm October 25—Eocita, Anselita and Bonoska.

Eocita, now a four-year-old with one foal to her credit, is a daughter of Moko and Mendocita, dam of Mary Putney, and was bred at the famous Walnut Hall Farm in Kentucky, being a member of the farm's consignment to the Fasig-Tipton sales in New York as a two-year-old. Messrs. Considine and Harrison were patrons of the sale, and the latter became very much attracted by the filly and bid her in for Woodland Stock Farm. She suited Mr. Harrison "down to the ground" on breeding, individuality and soundness, while her trotting inclinations were especially impressive, her purchaser remarking at the time that she was the one and only individual shown by Al Thomas that absolutely refused to do anything but trot during the time she was being "chased around the Garden."

In her California home the aristocratic young mare was mated with Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½ and in due time gave birth to the bay filly Anselita, now a yearling and a most promising trotting prospect. Bonoska, the third of the trio mentioned above, is a snappy yearling who gets the relationship to the new champion through his dam, being out of Oniska, the dam of San Francisco 2:07¾. Eocita is again heavy with foal, and with the yearlings is included in the farm's offerings at the coming sale, where they should be the cause of some spirited bidding.

Just after her victory in the Horse Review stake and prior to her even greater performances in the Horseman and Kentucky futurities, Volunteer, of the Horse Review, prepared and published the following comprehensive story of the ancestry of the new phenomenon:

Mary Putney was bred at that greatest of American speed nurseries, Walnut Hall Farm, Donerail, Ky. She is the fourth three-year-old Review futurity winner that it has sent out, the three preceding having been Mobel 2:10¼, The Harvester 2:01 and Native Belle 2:06½, winners, respectively, in 1900, 1908 and 1910. In addition, Susie N. 2:09¼, winner in 1905, while not bred at Walnut Hall, was sired by its premier, Moko—making, all in all, a record such as no other establishment can rival. Mobel and Native Belle, like Susie N., were by Moko; The Harvester, by Walnut Hall 2:08¼. Mary Putney represents another family, for she is by San Francisco 2:07¾, a stallion that was added to the farm staff only a few years ago.

One always feels a particular warmth of interest in anything for which, in advance, he has taken the risk of prophesying success—a species of prophecy particularly risky in racing affairs. In the case of Mary Putney I can enter a legitimate plea of vindicated judgment. In former years I repeatedly urged Eastern breeders who chanced to confer with me regarding the purchase of a first-class trotting sire, to go to California and buy McKinney 2:11¼, a horse for whom I always cherished a very high regard. Several of them did make offers for him, but none of them succeeded in buying him—and as I wish no misconstructions, I will add that when Mr. Henry B. Gentry finally did secure him for the large price of $25,000, that gentleman was not one of those to whom I refer, for I never met him until after his purchase was made. Later on, under similar circumstances, I repeatedly urged the purchase of McKinney's great son, Zombro 2:11; again several breeders to whom I warmly recommended him endeavored to buy him and again they failed. His breeder and owner, Mr. George T. Beckers, held him at a prohibitive price, and Zombro died his property. San Francisco is a son of Zombro. I first saw him upon the occasion of his starting in the $50,000 American Trotting Derby, at Readville, Mass., in 1908. He was then suffering under a painful physical ailment that would have put nine out of ten race horses out of commission, but despite it he gave a superb exhibition of speed and purest gameness, as he not only qualified in the preliminary in which he started, but in the final won third money, to the majority of the spectators really appearing to finish second to Allen Winter. At this time San Francisco was a green horse, with no public record, but behind him finished a whole mob of famous trotters. His performance impressed me deeply; and I was particularly taken with the absolute purity of his gait, in which respect he seemed to me one of the most nearly perfect trotting stallions I had ever seen.

Later that fall San Francisco took a winning race record of 2:07¾ at Columbus, O. He was trained and driven by his owner and breeder, Mr. P. W. Hodges of Pleasanton, Cal., who, it is my recollection, wintered him in the east and made a stud season with him the next spring in Michigan, some parties in Detroit having become financially interested in the horse. It was not expected that he would be ready to race early in 1909, but he created a sensation at the North Randall inaugural by trotting second to the peerless Uhlan when the son of Bingen equaled the then world's race record for trotting geldings, 2:03¾, held by Highball. In this great heat, of which my recollection is vivid, San Francisco finished almost at Uhlan's wheel, his separate official time being 2:04½. In the first heat he had finished lapped on Uhlan in 2:06¼, himself trotting the last quarter in 30 seconds. This was Tuesday. On Friday Mr. Hodges had Mr. Geers drive San Francisco an exhibition mile, he being started against the world's stallion record, then 2:02¼, by Cresceus, in order to make the performance a losing one and no record or bar be secured. Mr. Geers took San Francisco over to the half in 1:04 and from there he came home in 1:00¾, completing the mile in 2:04¾, with the last quarter in 29¾ seconds. This performance is recorded in the Year Book, Vol. 25, but is not, of course, a record—it is unfortunate that the "breeders' record" rule was not then in force, or cannot be construed retroactively so that San Francisco can receive the benefit from it to which justly he is entitled. His campaign the rest of the season was a chequered one. He was not really ready for such efforts as these when they were made, and he seemed to train off afterward and did little good until late, but at Columbus, in the fall, when Paderewski set a world's record for a three-heat race by a gelding that still stands—2:05¼, 2:06¾, 2:05¼—San Francisco was right at him all the way in every heat. I did not witness this race, but in the Review's report of it, which was written by Walter Moore, I find this closing remark: "San Francisco trotted a very great race for a lame horse." At this time Mr. Hodges, unfortunately had become financially entangled and the sale of the stallion was soon after virtually forced. He then became the property of Walnut Hall, Superintendent Harry Burgoyne's keen eye having singled him out for a great future sire.

I had conceived so great an admiration for San Francisco that as soon as I received the news of the purchase, I could not resist sitting down and writing Mr. Burgoyne a letter of congratulation, telling him my opinion of the horse, and prophesying great success for him at Walnut Hall—and I have ever since been a firm believer in him. San Francisco's first season at Walnut Hall was made in 1910, and his first foals bred there came in 1911, hence are now only four-year-olds. One of these is that rare good racing colt owned by Frank Jones of Memphis, St. Frisco 2:07¼, who has, to this writing, started at every Grand Circuit meeting of the season and been either first or second in every start, establishing for himself an enviable record for gameness and consistency, as well as speed. His get are beginning to be heard from in all sections, and aside from Mary Putney he has at least one other three-year-old of 2:10 caliber, Lady Anne 2:12½, bred and owned by Jere Tarleton, of Lexington. She is almost sure to beat 2:10 before the season closes, if asked to do it. At the New York sales, both this year and last, the San Franciscos averaged higher, under the hammer, when the Walnut Hall yearlings were sold, than did those by either Moko or Walnut Hall—a fact which aroused much comment, but the reason for which is now becoming somewhat plainer.

I have consumed more space in writing of the sire of Mary Putney than I had intended, but the story of San Francisco seemed to me worth telling at this time. However, the facts about the filly's dam are of equal, and in some ways, even greater interest. While bred at Walnut Hall, she is by ancestry a double Californian, for both her sire and dam are California bred, and were brought east and mated in Kentucky to produce her.

Mendocita, dam of Mary Putney, is a bay mare foaled in 1899, and was bred at Palo Alto Farm. Her sire was Mendocino 2:19½, the son of Electioneer and Mano, by Piedmont 2:17¼, son of Almont 33—Mendocino (first known as Monaco), being also the sire of the sensational gelding Monte Carlo 2:07¼, and Idolita 2:09⅛, one of the most notable of Review futurity winners and since the leading sire of Germany, whither he was exported. Mendocino individually resembled his sire, Electioneer, more closely than any other son of the "monarch of Palo Alto," and he was a personal favorite, on this account, not only with Senator Stanford, but also with the late Frank Covey, who, after the Senator's death, became superintendent of the farm and remained so until its stud was dispersed. Upon this dispersal, also, Mendocino was not sold, but retained by Mr. Stanford until his death in 1907, when he was buried in the famous "equine cemetery" at Palo Alto. His opportunities in the stud were not large, for he did not reach maturity until after the death of his breeder and the curtailment of the Stanford breeding operations. Frank Covey, who was a warm friend of mine—I wish that he might be alive now to know about Mary Putney!—had a genuine affection for Mendocino and often expressed to me a very high opinion of him.

The Palo Alto stud was dispersed in the east in a series of consignments to the auctions, and at one of these Mendocita was purchased by the late John H. Shults and added to his brood mare band. He kept her a few seasons and then, at the "Old Glory" sale of 1903, sent her back into the ring. She was No. 315 of the catalogue, and the "Owner's Statement" regarding her was : "Mendocita has been used as a brood mare during present ownership. She is a handsome, stylish mare. Since we began driving her this fall she is making speed fast and can now trot close to a 2:20 gait. Her half-sister, Expressive (3) 2:12½, was the greatest racing three-year-old of her day, and Mendocita is just as good gaited, and will, with training, be fast. Had a foal this year." She was then four, and as no mention is made of her being with foal, or having been bred that spring, the inference is that it had been intended to develop her speed, but Mr. Shults took one of his periodical notions to sell. He received for her exactly the same price that he had paid when he bought her as a two-year-old at Cleveland, O. , May sale of 1901—namely, $450. Her buyer is given as W. G. Simpson, the well-known trainer of Lexington, who was, presumably, acting for Walnut Hall Farm, as she was placed in the harem there, was bred to Moko the following spring of 1904, and produced a bay colt by him in 1905. She has done well as a matron, being, beside Mary Putney (3) 2:08¼, by San Francisco, the dam of Montalvo (2) 2:25¼ (2:13¼, pacing), and Cecella (dam of Bingola (3) 2:21¼), both by Moko; also of Cita Hall (5) 2:27¼, by Walnut Hall.

With the dam of Mendocita, and grandam of Mary Putney, we reach one of the most arresting figures in the whole ancestry—for she was no less a mare than the celebrated Esther, registered as thoroughbred, by Express, also the dam of Expressive (3) 2:12½ (dam of Atlantic Express (3) 2:08¼, Esther Bells 2:08¼ and four other standard trotters, of two producing sons and one producing daughter, the dam of four performers); of Monesta, the dam of Marta Bellini 2:05½, in addition to others of note.

Esther was one of that historic band of running mares that Senator Stanford purchased in Kentucky, in the fall of 1879, to use as the material in the making if his great experiment of breeding trotters by crossing running mares upon Electioneer and other trotting sires. These mares were selected by the late Harrison R. Covey (father of Frank Covey), at that time the Palo Alto superintendent, who made a trip from California to "the Blue Grass" especially for the purpose. In selecting them Mr. Covey made a close study of individuality, searching out specimens of the running breed that had conformation desirable from a harness standpoint, with good temper, and action at the trot. The correctness of his judgment was demonstrated by the results attained, for among the lot were Dame Winnie, who became the dam of Palo Alto 2:08¾; Lizzie Whips, who became the dam of Whips 2:27½(sire of Azote 2:04¾, and the dam of Maymack 2:04¼); and others of distinguished reputation. But of them all it now appears possible that the blood of Esther may exert the most enduring influence.

Esther was a 16-hand bay mare, with a star and some white on the off hind foot, foaled 1877, and bred by S. B. Wallace, Midway, Ky. In making his selections of thoroughbred mares for trotting matrons, Mr. Covey paid little attention to their qualifications as runners, per se, nor was he fastidious regarding their blood lines from a thoroughbred standpoint. He did not insist upon mares that had been winners or belonging to families sensationally successful as such, but those carrying strains that had shown a tendency to miv practically with trotting blood. Esther, then a two-year-old filly, was of this description. She was anything but fashionably bred

in running lines, although acceptably well bred. Her sire, Express, was chiefly known as a half-brother of the mighty Longfellow, being out of that horse's dam, Nantura (also the grandam of Ten Broeck), by Brawner's Eclipse; his sire being Endorser, son of Wagner. Express had been a good, though not a very successful, race horse. He was noted as the winner of the Viley stake at Lexington in 1871, in which Salina (who afterward became the dam of the immortal Salvator) won the first heat in 1:43—then the world's record for a mile; Ginger took the second in 1:43¾, and Express the third and fourth (he had been 2-4 in the first two), in 1:46¼, 1:47. This race created a sensation, and its winning gave Express considerable eclat, but it was the only one of account that he ever won—and as a sire his success was very small. The dam of Esther was a mare named Colisseum (a queer name for a mare!), by Colossus, who was a son of imp, Sovereign and a mare by imp. Glencoe. The grandam of Esther was Capitola, by Vandal (son of imp. Glencoe); next dam by imp. Margrave, then the line running to Mistletoe, by Cherokee (son of Sir Archey); Blackeyed Susan, by Tiger (son of Blackburn's Whip); and then unnamed mares by Albert, Algerine and Gray Alfred, after which it closes, so far as known elements are concerned, with "a mare purchased in Virginia by Capt. George Burbridge for breeding, but whose pedigree is now lost." I have spent a good deal of research in trying to cerify and bring into credible order the crosses and dates (where any are given) in this pedigree, and found it practically a hopeless task. It "runs to the woods" collaterally, as well as in the final direct line, in repeated instances and contains many a "cold" element. None of the dams produced any foals of outstanding fame as thoroughbred race horses. What we may accept about it, however, is the fact that Esther carried the blood of a number of running horses that blent well with trotting blood, most notably that of Wagner, American Eclipse, imp. Sovereign, imp. Glencoe and imp. Margrave. To me the most interesting point in her genealogy, by far, is the dame of her paternal grandsire, Endorser, the sire of Express, who begot her. Endorser was out of Fanny G., by imp. Margrave—and Fanny G. was not only the grandam of Dame Winnie, dam of Palo Alto 2:08¾, the champion "half-bred" trotter and a world's champion trotting stallion in his day—she was also the grandam of the renowned Alma Mater, the foundress of one of the pre-eminent maternal families in the Trotting Register.

As above-said, Esther became a member of the Palo Alto harem in 1879, and was first bred there in 1880. The following is a complete list of her produce:

1881—Extra, b m by Electioneer 125. Dam of Ellalee 2:15¼ and Esparto Rex 2:25¼ (sire of 4).
1882—Express 2:21, b g by Electioneer 125.
1883—Barren.
1884—Del Norte, b c by Flood (thoroughbred).
1885—Oscar Wilde, b c by Don Victor (thoroughbred).
1886—Essie, b m by Clay 2:25.
1887—Effie, b m by Piedmont 2:17¼. Dam of Endrino 2:25 (sire of 5), Efuso 2:29¼ and Caleta (dam of Miss Caleta 2:29¾, she the dam of 5, including Axworth (3) 2:10, and of 2 producing dams).
1888—Experta, b m by Electioneer 125.
1889—Kelley 2:27, b h by Electioneer 125. Sire of 4.
1890—Elwina (2) 2:27, b m by Electioneer 125.
1891—Expressive (3) 2:12½, by Electioneer 125. Dam of Atlantic Express (3) 2:08¾ (sire of 10); Esther Bells 2:08¼; Expressive Mac 2:25¼ (sire of Clara Mac p. 2:04¼, Vera Hal p. 2:05, etc.);Elsa Bellini 2:25¾; John Bellini 2:28¾; Evan Bellini 2:30; Excella (dam of 2); Beautiful Bird (dam of 1); also of Eva Bellini, second as a two-year-old to Native Belle in 2:07¾.
1892—Albatross, b m by Alban 2:24.
1893—Etta, ch m by Advertiser 2:15¼.
1894—Expressor, b h by Norris 2:24¼.
1895—Epreso, br h by Advertiser 2:15¼. Sire of 2.
1896—Ellerton, ch g by Advertiser 2:15¼.
1897—Monesta, b m by Mendocino 2:19½. Dam of Marta Bellini 2:05¼ (she the dam of Maiti (2) 2:28½); Heathcote 2:27¾; Una Bellini (3) 2:28¼; Red Montie (3) 2:29¾.
1898—Malaska, ch m by Mendocino 2:19½.
1899—Mendocita, b m by Mendocino 2:19½. Dam of Mary Putney (3) 2:08¼; Montalvo (2) 2:25¼ (pacing, 2:13¼); Cita Hall 2:27¼; Cecelia (dam of Bingola (3) 2:21¼).
1900—Exquisite 2:17½, ch g by Mendocino 2:19½.

Esther was a very fecund mare. From 1881 to 1900, when she became permanently barren at the age of twenty-three, she failed in but one season to produce a living foal: the net showing is nineteen foals (two of which were by thoroughbred sires) in twenty years. These include five standard-record trotters, two producing sons and five producing daughters. Of her seventeen foals by trotting sires, ten have performed or produced, while seven are, thus far, "blanks." In Expressive she produced one of the greatest racing three-year-old trotters of all time, and now a wonderful speed producer; and in her, Monesta and Mendocita, she is the dam—and the only dam thus far known—of three different daughters that have each produced a 2:10 trotter.

In conclusion I would call attention to the fact that Esther, aside from being the grandam of Mary Putney, winner of the three-year-old Review futurity, is also the grandam of Atlantic Express, sire of Atlantika, winner of fourth money in the two-year-old division.—Volunteer, in the Horse Review.

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Again we remind you that starting payments in the Stanford stake for three-year-old trotters and in all divisions of the State Fair and Breeders' futurities which are to be raced here in November are due on Friday, October 22—next Friday. Don't overlook a bet and allow some good money to get away owing to your own carelessness.

Awards in Breeding Classes

P.-P. I. E. HORSE SHOW

Never before has there been gathered on the Pacific coast such a great array of purebred utility and pleasure horses as was housed in the livestock department at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition during the horse show, which has just come to a close. From all over the west and central west breeders sent the pick of their stables to take part in the competitive classes here, and so uniformly high was the quality of the individuals shown that in many classes the judges were called upon to exercise their knowledge to the utmost in determining the animal that could most truly be called "best." The premiums were widely distributed, and so comprehensive were the classes provided that every exhibitor was well repaid for the expense of the journey to the big show.

Of the various breeds of horses for which provision was made in the program of the show, but one failed to have representatives present, the Suffolk Punch. All others, from the tiniest of Shetlands to the most ponderous of drafters, had their interests cared for by their very best members, winners, in numerous instances, of international renown. The story of the show is best told by the official awards, and in this issue we present the results of the work of the judges in the breeding classes of the Standard Trotters, Thoroughbreds, Arabians, Morgans, Percherons, Jacks and Jennets, Hackneys, and Welsh and Shetland Ponies, the other classes, Clydesdales, Shires, Belgians and Saddle Horses to appear in the following number.

STANDARD TROTTERS.

Exhibitors—C. W. Winter, Alhambra, Cal.; L. H. Todhunter, Sacramento; S. H. Cowell, Santa Cruz; J. N. Colomb, San Francisco; Frank S. Turner, Santa Rosa; D. E. Hoffman, San Francisco; S. Christenson, San Francisco; Charles Butters, Oakland.

Section 1—Stallion, four years old or over: (1) Alhambra Prince, C. W. Winter; (2) Peter McKlyo, L. H. Todhunter; (3) Tom Smith, D. E. Hoffman; (4) Onward McGregor, J. N. Colomb; (5) Jonesie Mac, D. E. Hoffman.

Section 3—Stallion, two years old and under three: (1) Exponent Mac, Frank S. Turner.

Section 4—Stallion, one year old and under two: (1) Peter C, S. H. Cowell; (2) F. S. Jennings, Frank S. Turner; (3) McKlyo Boy, L. H. Todhunter; (4) F. S. Montgomery, Frank S. Turner.

Section 5—Stallion Foal: (1) Charlie Butters, Chas. Butters.

Section 6—Mares, four years old and over: (1) Elna, S. Christenson; (2) Sweet Bow, L. H. Todhunter; (3) Lottie Lynwood, Chas. Butters.

Section 8—Mare, two years old and under three: (1) Minnie Bond, S. Christenson.

Section 9—Mare, one year old and under two: (1) Charlotte McKlyo, L. H. Todhunter; (2) Dora C., S. H. Cowell.

Section 23—Get of one sire: (1) Get of The Exponent (Exponent Mac, F. S. Jennings, F. S. Montgomery), Frank S. Turner.

Section 24—Produce of one dam: (1) Product of Perza (Elna, Esther Bond), S. Christenson.

Section 11—Senior Champion Stallion: (1) Alhambra Prince, C. W. Winter.

Section 12—Reserve Senior Champion Stallion: (1) Peter McKlyo, L. H. Todhunter.

Section 13—Junior Champion Stallion: (1) Exponent Mac by The Exponent, Frank S. Turner.

Section 15—Senior Champion Mare: Elna, S. Christenson.

Section 16—Reserve Senior Champion Mare: Sweet Bow, L. H. Todhunter.

Section 17—Junior Champion Mare: Charlotte McKlyo, L. H. Todhunter.

Section 18—Reserve Junior Champion Mare: Minnie Bond, S. Christenson.

Section 19—Grand Champion Stallion: Alhambra Prince, C. W. Winter.

Section 20—Reserve Grand Champion Stallion: Peter McKlyo, L. H. Todhunter.

Section 21—Grand Champion Mare: Elna, S. Christenson.

Section 22—Reserve Grand Champion Mare: Charlotte McKlyo, L. H. Todhunter.

Section 27—Premier Championship for Breeder: Prize awarded to S. Christenson.

Section 28—Premier Championship for Exhibitor: Prize awarded to S. Christenson.

THOROUGHBREDS.

Exhibitors—Anita M. Baldwin, Los Angeles; Charles Butters, Oakland; Bugeia Bros., Novato; Edw. de L. Cebrian, San Francisco; Chas. L. Stevenson, San Francisco; Allen Caven, Concord; R. E. D. Hoyle, San Francisco.

Section 1—Stallion, four years old or over: (1) Rel El Santa Anita, Anita M. Baldwin; (2) Kenilworth, Bugeia Bros.; (3) East Or, Charles Butters; (4) Norito, (5) Adalid, Anita M. Baldwin.

Section 3—Stallion, two years and under three: (1) Cuyama, Edw. de L. Cebrian.

Section 6—Mare, four years old or over: (1) Maddelle, Chas. L. Stevenson; (2) Orange Blossom, Allen Caven; (3) Castelita, Charles Butters; (4) Reina de Los Angeles, Anita M. Baldwin; (5) Satisfax, R. E. D. Hoyle.

Section 9—Mare, one year old and under two: (1) Reina de Santa Anita, Anita M. Baldwin.

Section 11—Senior Champion Stallion: Rey El Santa Anita, Anita M. Baldwin.

Section 12—Reserve Senior Champion Stallion: Kenilworth, Bugeia Bros.

Section 13—Junior Champion Stallion: Cuyama, Edw. de L. Cebrian.

Section 19—Grand Champion Stallion: Rey El Santa Anita, Anita M. Baldwin.

Section 20—Reserve Grand Champion Stallion, any age: Kenilworth, Bugeia Bros.

Section 15—Senior Champion Mare: Maddelle, Chas. L. Stevenson.

Section 16—Reserve Senior Champion Mare: Orange Blossom, Allen Caven.

Section 17—Junior Champion Mare: Reina de Santa Anita, Anita M. Baldwin.

Section 21—Grand Champion Mare: Maddelle, Chas. L. Stevenson.

Section 22—Reserve Grand Champion Mare, any age: Reina de Santa Anita, Anita M. Baldwin.

ARABIANS.

Exhibitors—Anita M. Baldwin, Los Angeles; Lt. H. L. Watson, San Francisco.

Section 1—Stallion, four years old or over: (1) I Mahruss, Anita M. Baldwin; (2) Chanim, Lieut. H. Watson.

Section 2—Stallion, three years and under four yea (1) Cibolo, (2) Nedjrez, Anita M. Baldwin.

Section 6—Mare, four years old or over: (1) Nedjr III., Anita M. Baldwin.

Section 9—Mare, one year old and under two: (1) Sh reen. Anita M. Baldwin.

Section 11—Champion Stallion: Cibolo, Anita M. Bal win.

Section 12—Reserve Champion Stallion: Ibn Mahrus Anita M. Baldwin.

Section 13—Champion Mare, any age: Nedjme II Anita M. Baldwin.

Section 14—Reserve Champion Mare: Shireen, Anita M Baldwin.

Section 16—Produce of one dam: (1) Produce of Nedjm III (Medjrez, Shireen), Anita M. Baldwin.

MORGANS.

Exhibitor—Morgan Horse Farm, Plainfield, Iowa. (Note There being no exhibitor save Morgan Horse Farm, th following awards were made on the horses from the establishment):

Section 1—Stallion, four years old and over: (1) Dar (2) Montgomery, (3) Tom Kelly.

Section 3—Stallion, two years old and under three: (1 Tommy Dean.

Section 4—Stallion, one year old and under: (1) Archy

Section 6—Mare, four years old and over: (1) Ruperta

Section 7—Mare, three years old and under four: (1 Mable.

Section 8—Mare, two years old and under three: (1 Lucy B.

Section 9—Mare, one year old and under two: (1) Poll Taylor.

Section 11—Senior Champion Stallion: Dart.

Section 12—Reserve Senior Champion Stallion: Mont gomery.

Section 13—Junior Champion Stallion: Archy L.

Section 14—Reserve Junior Champion Stallion: Tommy Dean.

Section 15—Senior Champion Mare: Ruperta.

Section 16—Reserve Senior Champion Mare: Mable.

Section 17—Junior Champion Mare: Polly Taylor.

Section 18—Reserve Junior Champion Mare: Lucy B.

Section 19—Grand Champion Stallion: Dart.

Section 20—Reserve Grand Champion Stallion: Mont gomery.

Section 21—Grand Champion Mare: Ruperta.

Section 22—Reserve Grand Champion Mare: Polly Taylor.

Section 23—Get of one sire: (1) Get of Dart (Tom Dean, Polly Taylor, Tom Kelly); (2) Get of Dart (Mable, Archy L, Montgomery).

Section 24—Produce of one dam: (1) Produce of Minnie Dean (Polly Taylor, Tommy Dean); (2) Produce of Lady L. (Montgomery, Archy L.).

Section 25—Stallion and three mares, any age: (1) Dart, Ruperta, Polly Taylor, Mable.

Prize for Premier Championship for Breeder.

Prize for Premier Championship for Exhibitor.

Special Prize for Morgan Horses—Awarded by the Morgan Club to Dart.

PERCHERONS.

Exhibitors—Anita M. Baldwin, Los Angeles; C. W. Bowers, Davis; A. C. Ruby, Gresham, Ore.; Singmaster & Sons, Keota, Iowa; Dunham-McLaughlin Co., Wayne, Ill.; M. Bassett, Hanford; T. D. McLaughlin Imp. Co., Oakland; W. S. Corsa, White Hall, Ill.; James Edson, Carlton, Ore.; E. B. White, Oakland; H. G. Learned, Stockton; Truman's Pioneer Stud Farm, Bushnell, Ill.; John Secrest, Stockton.

Section 1—Stallions, four years old and over: (1) Lagos, Singmaster & Sons; (2) Londrecitos, Durham-McLaughlin Co.; (3) Jalap, Singmaster & Sons; (4) Jusque, Anita M. Baldwin; (5) Ithos, M. Bassett; (6) Benn, A. C. Ruby; (7) Justel, T. D. McLaughlin Imp. Co.

Section 2—Stallions, three years and under four: (1) Matineux, Dunham-McLaughlin Co.; (2) Majorat, Singmaster & Sons; (3) Mordu, T. D. McLaughlin Imp. Co.; (4) Moscou, (5) Woodrow, (6) Monsieur, Dunham-McLaughlin Co.; (7) Carlotheon, W. S. Corsa.

Section 3—Stallion, two years and under three: (1) Mouton, T. D. McLaughlin Imp. Co.; (2) Nobob, (3) Althacra, Dunham-McLaughlin; (4) Nandon, (5) Nadir, Singmaster & Sons; (6) Bud, James Edson; (7) Major, Dunham-McLaughlin.

Section 4—Stallions, one year old and under two: (1) Kota Jalap, Singmaster & Sons; (2) Carnarad, W. S. Corsa; (3) Elwood, A. C. Ruby; (4) Drangiana, E. B. White; (5) Carhall, W. S. Corsa; (6) Superior, A. C. Ruby; (7) Bay Boy, H. G. Learned.

Section 5—Stallion foals: (1) Diligent, A. C. Ruby.

Section 6—Mares, four years old and over: (1) Joie, Truman's Pioneer Stud Farm; (2) Oaklawn Queen, Anita M. Baldwin; (3) Mabel, James Edson; (4) Italienne, Singmaster & Sons; (5) Livie, (6) Kambree, Anita M. Baldwin; (7) Vermouthette, A. C. Ruby.

Section 7—Mares, three years old and under four: (1) Manon, Anita M. Baldwin; (2) Carnoress, W. S. Corsa; (3) Meridionale, (4), Meninge, Singmaster & Sons; (5) Minerve, Anita M. Baldwin; (6) Manche, (7) Medire, James Edson.

Section 8—Mares, two years and under three: (1) Maplegrove Snowball, Singmaster & Sons; (2) Cicely, Anita M. Baldwin; (3) Folito II., W. S. Corsa; (4) Incomparable, Anita M. Baldwin; (5) Black Bess, Dunham-McLaughlin; (6) Carante, W. S. Corsa; (7) Mabel E., James Edson.

Section 9—Mares, one year and under two: (1) Carjante, W. S. Corsa; (2) Maplegrove Ethel, Singmaster & Sons; (3) Carne, W. S. Corsa; (4) Labelle, Dunham-McLaughlin Co.; (5) Carnona II., W. S. Corsa; (6) Kantry, Anita M. Baldwin; (7) Carlottie, W. S. Corsa.

Section 10—Filly Foals: (1) Cora S., John Secrest; (2) Bess, H. G. Learned.

Section 11—Senior Champion Stallion: Largos, Singmaster & Sons.

Section 12—Reserve Senior Champion Stallion: Matineaux, Dunham-McLaughlin Co.

Section 13—Junior Champion Stallion: Mouton, T. D. McLaughlin Imp. Co.

Section 14—Reserve Junior Champion Stallion: Nobob, Dunham-McLaughlin.

Section 19—Grand Champion Stallion: Labos, Singmaster & Sons.

Section 20—Reserve Grand Champion Stallion: Mouton, T. D. McLaughlin Imp. Co.

Section 31—Champion American-bred Stallion: Mouton, T. D. McLaughlin Imp. Co.

Section 32—Reserve Champion American-bred Stallion: Nobob, Dunham-McLaughlin Co.

Section 33—Champion Stallion Bred by Exhibitor: Keota Jalap, Singmaster & Sons.

Section 34—Reserve Champion Stallion Bred by Exhibitor: Carnarad, W. S. Corsa.

Section 15—Senior Champion Mare, three years old or over: Manon, Anita M. Baldwin.

Section 16—Reserve Senior Champion Mare: Joie, Truman's Pioneer Stud Farm.
Section 17—Junior Champion Mare, under three years: Maplegrove Snowball, Singmaster & Sons.
Section 18—Junior Reserve Champion Mare: Cicely, Anita M. Baldwin.
Section 21—Grand Champion Mare, any age: Maplegrove Snowball, Singmaster & Sons.
Section 22—Reserve Grand Champion Mare: Manon, Anita M. Baldwin.
Section 23—Get of one sire: (1) Get of Jalap (Maplegrove Snowball, Maplegrove Ethel, Keota Jalap), Singmaster & Sons; (2) Get of Carnot (Carnoress, Folito II., Carjante), W. S. Corsa; (3) Get of Fernand (Perseus of Paicines, Perfection of Paicines, Paladin of Paicines), J. D. McLaughlin Imp. Co.; (4) Get of Carnot (Carlothan, Carhall, Carnarad), W. S. Corsa; (5) Get of Godillot Chancellor, Elwood, Superior), A. C. Ruby; (6) Get of Carnot (Carie, Carnona II., Carma), W. S. Corsa; (7) Get of Grondeur (Marie, Como, Comet), C. W. Bowers.
Section 24—Produce of one dam: (1) Produce of Jante Carjante, Carmante), W. S. Corsa; (2) Produce of Fedora (Drusus, Drangiana), E. B. White; (3) Produce of Picot of Paicines (Perseus of Paicines, Perfection of Paicines), J. D. McLaughlin Imp. Co.; (4) Produce of Senora (Como, Comet), C. W. Bowers; (5) Produce of Lancette (Julia, Lola), (6), Produce of Cerise (Thelma, Diligent), A. C. Ruby; (7) Produce of Kate (Patti, Bay Boy), H. G. Learned.
Section 25—Stud (stallion and three mares): (1) Susque, Manon, Oaklawn Queen, Cicely, Anita M. Baldwin; (2) Lagos, Maplegrove Snowball, Meridionale, Menge, Singmaster & Sons; (3) Camarad, Carnoress, Folite II., Carjante, W. S. Corsa; (4) Lucamon, Mabel, Manche, Mediro, (5) Bud, Mancenilla, Mona Maid, Mabel E., James Edson; (6) Benn, Vermouthette, Thelma, Lola, A. C. Ruby; (7) Nero, Comet, Como, Marie, C. W. Bowers.
Section 26—Stud (stallion and three mares, two years old or over, bred by exhibitor): (1) Carlothean, Carness, Folito II., Carnante, W. S. Corsa; (2) Gorner G., Sarah S., Daisy S., Gretchen, John Secrest.
Section 26½—Stud (stallion and three mares, under two years old, bred by exhibitor): (1) Carhall, Carjante, Carnie, Carnona II., W. S. Corsa.
Section 27—Best Five Stallions, any age, owned by exhibitor: (1) Londrecitos, Matineaux, Moscou, Althazar, Nobob, Dunham-McLaughlin Co.; (2) Lagos, Jalap, Majorat, Keota Jalap, Nandou, Singmaster & Sons; (3) Kromwel, Mordu, Perfection of Paicines, Perseus of Paicines, Mouton, T. D. McLaughlin Imp. Co.; (4) Benn, Ingrat, Royal Gray, Elwood, Governor, A. C. Ruby.
Section 28—Best Three Mares, any age, owned by exhibitor: (1) Oaklawn Queen, Manon, Cicely, Anita M. Baldwin; (2) Carneress, Folito II., Carjante, W. S. Corsa; (3) Meridionale, Meringe, Maplegrove Snowball, Singmaster & Sons; (4) Mabel, Manche, Medire, James Edson; (5) Carnona II., Carnie, Carlottie, W. S. Corsa; (6) Comet, Como, Marie, C. W. Bowers; (7) Vermouthette, Lola, Thelma, A. C. Ruby.

JACKS AND JENNETS.

Exhibitors—L. M. Monsees & Sons, Limestone Valley Farm, Smithton, Mo.; H. T. Hineman, Dighton, Kas.; C. W. Blevins, Williams; M. A. Merrill, Willows; Anita M. Baldwin, Los Angeles; Eaton & Hughes, Santa Rosa.

Section 1—Jacks, four years old or over: (1) Kansas Chief, H. T. Hineman; (2) Limestone Monarch, L. M. Monsees & Sons; (3) Jumbo, C. W. Blevins; (4) Frenchy, M. A. Merrill; (5) Johnnie, L. M. Monsees & Sons; (6) Buck II., (7) St. Patrick, H. T. Hineman.

Section 2—Jacks, three years old and under four: (1) Belle Boy of the Grand Champion, (2) Limestone Good Boy, L. M. Monsees & Sons; (3) Klondike, C. W. Blevins.

Section 3—Jacks, two years old and under: (1) Silvertone Mammoth, L. M. Monsees & Sons.

Section 4—Jacks, one year old and under: (1) Sampson, C. W. Blevins; (2) Jordan, H. T. Hineman; (3) Diggs, M. A. Merrill.

Section 5—Jack Foals: (1) Herod, H. T. Hineman.

Section 6—Jennet, four years old and over: (1) Belle of the Grand Champion, (2) Belle of Limestone, L. M. Monsees & Sons; (3) Jennie Flood Jr., M. A. Merrill; (4) Chreepo, C. W. Blevins; (5) Rita Payne, Anita M. Baldwin; (6) Pay Girl, H. T. Hineman; (7) Black Belle, Jr., M. A. Merrill.

Section 7—Jennet, three years old and under four: (1) Gray Nell, C. W. Blevins; (2) Leona, H. T. Hineman; (3) Lady Glen, L. M. Monsees & Sons.

Section 8—Jennet, two years old and under three: (1) Lady Kauffman II., L. M. Monsees & Sons; (2) Black Diana, (3) May, M. A. Merrill; (4) Lady R. II., L. M. Monsees & Sons; (5) Alice, (6) Mary, M. A. Merrill.

Section 9—Jennet, one year old and under two: (1) Lady Penquito, (2) Wonder Girl, L. M. Monsees & Sons; (3) Kansas Queen, (4) Pay Girl II., H. T. Hineman; (5) Starlight Queen III., L. M. Monsees & Sons.

Section 10—Jennet Foals: (1) Princess Yagor, Eaton & Hughes.

Section 11—Senior Champion Jack: Kansas Chief, H. T. Hineman.

Section 12—Reserve Senior Champion Jack: Belle Boy of the Grand Champion, L. M. Monsees & Sons.

Section 13—Junior Champion Jack: Silvertone Mammoth, L. M. Monsees & Sons.

Section 14—Reserve Junior Champion Jack: Sampson, C. W. Blevins.

Section 15—Senior Champion Jennet: Belle of the Grand Champion, L. M. Monsees & Sons.

Section 16—Reserve Senior Champion Jennet: Belle of Limestone, L. M. Monsees & Sons.

Section 17—Junior Champion Jennet: Lady Penquito, L. M. Monsees & Sons.

Section 18—Reserve Junior Champion Jennet: Lady Kauffman II., L. M. Monsees & Sons.

Section 19—Grand Champion Jack: Kansas Chief, H. T. Hineman.

Section 20—Reserve Grand Champion Jack: Silvertone Mammoth, L. M. Monsees & Sons.

Section 21—Grand Champion Jennet: Belle of the Grand Champion, L. M. Monsees & Sons.

Section 22—Reserve Grand Champion Jennet: Lady Penquite, L. M. Monsees & Sons.

Section 23—Get of One Sire: (1) Get of Orphan Boy, Group A (Belle Boy of the Grand Champion, Limestone Good Boy, Belle of the Grand Champion), L. M. Monsees & Sons; (2) Get of Limestone Mammoth (Limestone Monarch, Belle of Limestone, Lady Leo II.), L. M. Monsees & Sons; (3) Get of Frenchy (Jennie Flood, Black Belle Jr., Johnnie), M. A. Merrill; (4) Get of Orphan Boy, Group B (Silvertone Mammoth, Lady Penquite, Lady Kauffman II.), L. M. Monsees & Sons; (5) Get of Pharaoh (Leona, Jordan, Herod), H. T. Hineman; (6) Get of Jumbo (Black Kitt, Diggs, True Rod), C. W. Blevins; (7) Get of Orphan Boy, Group C (Wonder Girl, Lady R. II., Starlight Queen III.), L. M. Monsees & Sons.

Section 24—Produce of one dam: (1) Produce of Belle of Limestone (Belle Boy of the Grand Champion, Belle of the Grand Champion), L. M. Monsees & Sons; (2) Produce of Chreepe (Grey Nell, Sampson), C. W. Blevins; (3) Produce of Starlight Queen (Limestone Good Boy, Starlight Queen II.), L. M. Monsees & Sons; (4) Produce of Jean (Johnnie, Mary), M. A. Merrill; (5) Produce of Pay Girl (Pay Girl II., Herod), H. T. Hineman.

Section 25—Stud (Jack and three Jennets): (1) Belle Boy of the Grand Champion, Belle of Grand Champion II., Belle of Limestone, Lady Penquite, L. M. Monsees & Sons; (2) Kansas Chief, Pay Girl, Leona, Lady Lane, H. T. Hineman; (3) Limestone Monarch, Lady Leo II., Lady Kauffman II., Wonder Girl, L. M. Monsees & Sons; (4) Johnnie, Jennie Flood, Jr., Black Belle, Spot, M. A. Merrill; (5) Limestone Good Boy, Lady Glenn, Starlight Queen II., Lady R. II., L. M. Monsees & Sons.

Section 26—Stud (Jack and three Jennets, all two years old and over, bred by exhibitor): (1) Belle Boy of the Grand Champion, Belle of Grand Champion, Belle of Limestone, Lady Leo II., L. M. Monsees & Sons; (2) Spot, Black Belle, Jennie Flood, Johnnie, M. A. Merrill.

HACKNEYS.

Exhibitors—Woodland Hackney Stud, San Francisco; Chas. E. Bunn, Peoria, Ill.; James Turner, Willow Park, Victoria, B. C.; W. B. Sealey, San Mateo; Geo. A. Heyl, Washington, Ill.

Section 1—Stallion, four years and over: (1) Nipper Jr., Chas. E. Bunn; (2) Feronius, James Turner; (3) Fire Lad, Chas. E. Bunn; (4) Lord Lovelace, Woodland Hackney Stud; (5) Baywood Rufus, W. B. Sealy.

Section 2—Stallion, three years and under four: (1) Delight, Chas. E. Bunn.

Section 4—Mare, four years old or over: (1) Julep, Woodland Hackney Stud; (2) Dinarth Gem, Geo. A. Heyl; (3) Quarina, Chas. E. Bunn; (4) Dinarth Dot, Geo. A. Heyl.

Section 5—Mare, three years and under four: (1) Dinarth Magic, Geo. A. Heyl; (2) Brown Bill, Chas. E. Bunn.

Section 6—Mare, two years and under three: (1) Trillo Magic, Geo. A. Heyl.

Section 7—Champion Stallion: Nipper Jr., Chas. E. Bunn.

Section 8—Reserve Champion Stallion: Delight, Chas. E. Bunn.

Section 9—Champion Mare: Julep, Woodland Hackney Stud.

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Great Racing as Grand Circuit Closes

FOURTH DAY AT LEXINGTON.

Lexington, Oct. 7.—Another world's record came home to roost on the fence of Lexington's "billiard table" track at the conclusion of the Tennessee, four heats of which were raced yesterday in 2:02, 2:01¾, 2:03½ and 2:05¼. Napoleon Direct came back today as fresh as a daisy and ended the argument as to which was the best horse of the bunch by lining out a fifth heat in the record time of 2:01½, Walter Cochato being a strong contender and outfooting Peter Stevens. The aggregate time for the five heats eclipsed any previous like performance by a matter of nearly a second, and the reception accorded Geers and his entry was a royal one.

The 2:09 pace, also carried over from yesterday's card, required seven heats in all before Barlight was finally returned the winner. Four horses headed the field to the wire at different times during the event and competition throughout was of a very warm nature, the winner having a tough time today in shaking off Arretta V., Fern Hal and Frank Patch, the Canadian mare being especially troublesome for him in the final heats. The 2:12 pacers caught the fever, also, and Dwight Logan, J. L. Mc. and May Direct indulged in a six-heater before the former could get the decision.

Straight heats were the order of the other events, Peter Scott continuing to trot in the manner that has made him a good investment at thirty thousand dollars, Worthy Prince and Lizzie Brown being the best of the remainder of the field. Mirthful and Lettie Lee took it time about in chasing Ross B. to the wire in the fast trot, but neither of the girls could outfoot him in the stretch. General Todd found the pacing division of the Kentucky futurity a ready money affair, having to go but one heat faster than 2:10. The summary:

Lexington, Oct. 7.—The Tennessee, free-for-all pace, purse $2,000 (first four heats Oct. 6):
Napoleon Direct, ch h by Walter Direct.... (Geers) 1 1 2 4 1
Peter Stevens, b h by Peter the Great.. (Snedeker) 3 4 1 1 3
Walter Cochato, bl h by Cochato.... (Legg) 2 3 3 2 2
Braden Direct and Flower Direct also started.
Time—2:02, 2:01¾, 2:03½, 2:05¼, 2:01½.

2:09 pace, purse $1,000 (four heats Oct. 6):
Barlight, br g by Halburk..... (Mann) 1 2 4 8 2 1 1
Arreta V., ch m by Constenaro..... (Jamison) 2 1 2 2 1 3 4
Fern Hal, bl m by Gold Hal..... (McPherson) 4 9 3 1 3 2 2
Frank Patch, Fred Mac, Birdonna, Hal Mapes, Bingen Pointer, Ben Locanda, Elmer Dickson and Fleeta Dillon also started.
Time—2:06, 2:05½, 2:08, 2:07½, 2:08½, 2:09¼, 2:07¾.

2:12 pace, purse $1,000:
Dwight Logan, br h by Bert Logan.... (Valentine) 8 1 2 6 1 1
J. L. Mc., b g by E. J..... (Wilson) 5 6 1 1 3 2
May Direct, b m by Very Direct..... (Taylor-Fogarty) 1 3 4 5 4 3
Bessie R., Dexter Direct, Lord Seymour, Patrick M., Lady Venus and Red Mike also started.
Time—2:11¼, 2:07½, 2:07, 2:07¾, 2:07¼, 2:08½.

The Transylvania, 2:08 trot, purse $5,000:
Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great..(Murphy) 1 1 1
Worthy Prince, b h by Prince McKinney (Cox) 2 2 7
Lizzie Brown, b m by The Bondsman..(Valentine) 3 5 2
Peter McCormick, Axtien, St. Frisco, Miss Directed, Lucille Spier, Lou Jennings and Evelyn D. also started.
Time—2:06½, 2:05¼, 2:06¾.

2:07 trot, purse $1,000:
Ross B., b g by Petronius..... (Wright) 1 1
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen.....(Murphy) 3 2
Lettie Lee, b m by Moko..... (White) 2 4
Exall, Hazel Laing, Star Winter, Hyper and Harry J. S. also started.
Time—2:05¾, 2:05¼.

Kentucky Futurity, three-year-old pacers, purse $2,000:
General Todd, b c by George Todd..... (Rea) 1 1
Lady Aubrey, br f by Captain Aubrey..(Snedeker) 2 2
Sad Thoughts, ch f by Bingen..... (Cox) 3 3
Arkancello also started.
Time—2:08, 2:10.

Fifth Day at Lexington.

Lexington, Oct. 8.—Nothing out of the ordinary developed here today, save that the Blue Grass stake was raced in record time for the event, Russell Boy's first heat in 2:03¾ supplanting the 2:04¼ of Frank Bogash Jr. which previously stood as the best performance for the fixture, now in its fourth year. Altawood drove him out in the first mile, before turning over the contender's position to Queen Abbess.

The Colorado Belle disposed of Samoor handily in the Turkey Trot, but the 2:11 trotters put up more of a contest. His Honor, Mayor Shank, and the Prodigal gelding Barney Gibbs took the first two heats like everything was over save spending the money, but ran into a mess of trouble in the third in the shape of the western trotter M. L. J., formerly a member of Walter Breitenfield's stable. Murphy had the mount behind the son of Red Will and after finishing 7-2 sent him to the front for the next three-with Jack K. a consistent second each time. Fair Virginia took the opener in the 2:15 trot but was outfooted and outmannered in the next three by R. F. V., Bertha Carey taking third money over Senaca Boy, while the 2:16 pace was carried over after Charlie C. and Peter Worthy had taken a heat each. The afternoon in detail:

Lexington, Oct. 8.—"Turkey Trot," three-year-old trotters, purse $2,000:
The Colorado Belle, b f by Colorado E....(Serrill) 1 1
Samoor, br c by Sahib..... (Murphy) 2 2
Time—2:19¼, 2:22¾.

Blue grass, 2:10 pace, purse $2,000:
Russell Boy, b h by Rustic Patenter.....(Geers) 1 1 1
Queen Abbess, br m by The Abbe.....(White) 6 2 2
Altawood, gr m by Altonwood.....(Valentine) 2 3 3
Major Ong, The Beaver, Lillian T., Lustrous McKinney, Aconite and The Importer also started.
Time—2:03¾, 2:05¼, 2:04¼.

2:11 trot, purse $1,000:
M. L. J., b g by Red Will.....(Murphy) 7 2 1 1 1
Barney Gibbs, br g by Prodigal....(Shank) 1 1 3 6 4
Jack K., ch g by Silverfinch.....(Gray) 8 6 2 2 2
Lady Grattan, Nancy McGregor, Guy Nella, Nata Prime, F. A. L., Vaster and Sadie Penn also started.
Time—2:10½, 2:09¾, 2:09¾, 2:09¾, 2:10.

2:15 trot, purse $1,000:
R. F. V., br m by Jay McGregor....(Burney) 7 1 1 1
Fair Virginia, bl m by Zombro.....(Cox) 1 8 2 5
Bertha Carey, br m by Zombro.....(DeRyder) 3 6 5 2
Seneca Boy, Victor Star, Strafford, Roy Miller, Tommy DeForest, Ben Gregory and High Cliff also started.
Time—2:10¼, 2:10½, 2:10, 2:10.

2:16 pace, purse $1,000 (unfinished):
Charley C., b g by Coastman.....(Gaston) 1 6
Peter Worthy, b h by Guy Axworthy.....(McGeath) 2 4
Rockline, br g by Inline.....
Admiral Dewey II., Budd Elliott and Clara Walker also started.
Time—2:10¾, 2:10¾.

Sixth Day at Lexington.

Lexington, Oct. 9.—The first week of the closing meeting of the Grand Circuit enjoyed an unbroken run of fair weather, though today was rather cool for record breaking efforts, so cool that Peter Volo's scheduled flight against his record of 2:02 was postponed until a more auspicious occasion. The Dinner Stakes went to Sunloch, the affair being featured only by the slowness of the time, while Peter Worthy annexed first money in the 2:16 pace which was carried over from yesterday.

Earl Jr. gave evidence of his good qualities for the second time this week by taking three in a row in the 2:05 pace after being beaten by Fred Russell in the first heat, the four heats being raced right in the same notch, from 2:04 to 2:04½. Our Colonel was slow to get squared away but was racing well in the latter half of the affair.

Ben White, behind Bacelli, got in a pocket in the first heat of the Kentucky stake for three-year-old trotters and could not get through, Colorado Range winning in 2:08½. In the following miles the Pastime Stable entry kept in the clear and won rather easily in slower time. Alonzo McDonald and Ames Albingen, making their second bow to a blue grass audience, for the present meeting, straight-heated the 2:18 trotters without fracturing their former winrace record. The summary:

Lexington, Oct. 9.—Dinner Stakes, two-year-old trotters, sweepstakes $3,000:
Sunloch, b c by Sahib.....(Murphy) 1 1
Ettie Dillon, ch f by Dillon Axworthy.....(Terrell) 2 2
Time—2:30½, 2:31½.

2:16 pace, purse $1,000 (first two heats Oct. 8):
Peter Worthy, b h by Guy Axworthy..(Murphy) 5 1 1
Charlie C., b g by Coastman.....(Gaston) 1 5 2
Admiral Dewey II., bl h by Admiral Dewey (Wilson) 4 2 3
Rockline, Budd Elliott and Clara Walker also started.
Time—2:10¾, 2:10¾, 2:09¾.

2:05 pace, purse $1,000:
Earl Jr., gr g by The Earl.....(Cox) 2 1 1 1
Fred Russell, b g by Little Frank.....(Harsey) 1 3 8 7
Our Colonel, ch h by Colonel Cochran (Childs) 9 8 2 2
R. H. Brett, Rastus, Columbia Fire, Little Prince, Polly and Peter Nash also started.
Time—2:04, 2:04½, 2:04, 2:04½.

The Kentucky, three-year-old trotters, purse $2,000:
Bacelli, b c by Bertini.....(White) 4 1 1
Colorado Range, b c by Colorado E...(McDonald) 1 3 3
Deroche, ch c by John A. McKerron.....(Geers) 2 4 2
Allie Watts, Native Spirit, Bondella, The Royal Knight, The Exposer, Peter Belmont, Geo. N. Patterson and Petress Burton also started.
Time—2:08½, 2:10¼, 2:11.

2:18 trot, purse $1,000:
Ames Albingen, b h by Albingen....(McDonald) 1 1 1
Judge Jones, br g by Prodigal.....(Geers) 2 3 2
Ruby Watts, b h by General Watts.....(Wright) 3 2 4
Wilkes Brewer, Jeannette Speed and Durin also started.
Time—2:09½, 2:10½, 2:10.

Seventh Day at Lexington.

Lexington, Oct. 11.—For the first time in some weeks Peter Scott dropped a heat here today, Axtien leading the field in the opening heat of the Walnut Hall cup.. The performance merely delayed the result, however, as Murphy's big trotter came back to

win on out without interruption, Axtien trotting an excellent second throughout the last three heats. With Volga in the barn, "Chan" and Bingen Silk made quick work of the two-year-old trotters in the Lexington stake, Harrods Creek and Adele Block trotting second and third, respectively, in each heat. The time was not fast, but creditable.

The 2:08 pacers furnished the most speed of the day, lining out four heats from 2:04¼ to 2:05¾, with Auto Zombro going the most consistent race and having the best of the final argument. Both Lustrous McKinney and Billy Brino showed plenty of speed, but lacked the steady consistency that won for the Zombro horse.

"Zombros" were again in evidence in the 2:14 trot when Bertha Carey and Fair Virginia trotted one-two throughout the race, the former cutting her winrace record to 2:07¾. The MacKenzie mare has not been at her best this season but has rounded into excellent shape at present. Peter Volo made an unsuccessful attempt to lower his record, his mile being on the wrong side of the mark by three-quarters of a second. The summary:

Lexington, Oct. 11.—The Lexington, two-year-old trotters, purse $2,000:

Bingen Silk, b c by Bingen.....(Chandler)	1	1		
Harrods Creek, ch c by Gen. Watts.....(Engleman)	2	2		
Adele Block, br f by J. Malcolm Forbes..(McDonald)	3	3		

Time—2:14¾, 2:14½.

2:08 pace, purse $1,000:

Auto Zombro, b h by Zombro.....(Loomis)	1	2	1	1
Lustrous McKinney, b g by McKinney(Rodney)	7	1	4	4
Billy Brino, b h by Wildbrino.....(V. Fleming)	2	3	7	2

Princess Margaret, Baron A., Margot Hal, Fern Hal, Tommy D., Madam Mac, Homer Baughman, Birdonna and Fleeta Dillon also started.

Time—2:04¼, 2:04¼, 2:04¾, 2:05¾.

Walnut Hall Cup, 2:12 trot, purse $3,000:

Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great (Murphy)	4	1	1	1
Axtien, ch h by Axworthy.....(Harris)	1	2	2	2
Lettie Lee, br m by Moko.....(White)	2	3	7	7

Worthy Prince, Evelyn D., McCloskey, Lou Jennings, Nathan Axworthy and Sadie S. also started.

Time—2:06¼, 2:05¾, 2:06¾, 2:07¼.

2:14 trot, purse $1,000:

Bertha Carey, br m by Zombro.....(DeRyder)	1	1	1	
Fair Virginia, bl m by Zombro.....(Cox)	2	2	2	
Roy Miller, b h by Bingara.....(Grady)	3	3	3	

Para Belle, Tommy DeForrest and Rose D. also started.

Time—2:08¾, 2:07¾, 2:10¾.

Eighth Day at Lexington.

Lexington, Oct. 12.—When Rodney J. MacKenzie dropped into the visitors list at Columbus after several strenuous months in the Canadian Northern's territory across the border he very promptly began "stirring up something," the original cause of the ensuing hostilities being a harmless and innocent remark to the effect that in his judgment Hal Boy would beat Judge Ormonde in a two-horse race. This opinion was reiterated in the presence of Benton Pardee, owner of the black stallion, and as Mr. Pardee and Charley Valentine were contrary minded a weighty discussion ensued. Stoughton Fletcher, who is anything but a spoil sport, turned Hal Boy and Richard McMahon over to Mr. MacKenzie with permission to go as far as he liked. Then ensued a continuation of the preliminary skirmish, the results being that Messrs. MacKenzie and Pardee posted $200 each forfeit money for a match between Hal Boy and Judge Ormonde to take place at Lexington, later placing $5,000 each in the hands of Frank G. Jones of Stockton, as stakeholder.

Tonight the Hal Boy forces are celebrating and everyone in attendance at today's races is thanking Messrs. MacKenzie, Fletcher, Pardee, McMahon and Valentine for providing one of the best contests ever staged here—a two horse match that was a race from start to finish. Hal Boy went out to win the first heat in 2:01¼ by a length but in the second Valentine sent the Judge to the front to the final eighth, where Hal Boy collared him and beat him by a head. In the third the whirlwind finish was so close that only the judges were in position to determine the winner, the black horse being their choice. The Judge opened up an early lead of two lengths in the fourth heat and maintained it into the stretch, where Hay Boy began creeping up. At the distance the pair were on even terms, and under the whip, answering the demands made upon them like the true gamecocks they are, they came head-on to the wire, Hal Boy winning by a scant margin.

Valentine rode in front in the 2:08 trot in one-two-three order with Lizzie Brown, the good daughter of The Bondsman trotting to a new record of 2:05¾ in the second heat, repeating impressively in the third. Ed Geers, suddenly remembering the near approach of winter, became very saving and won the balance of the day's offerings in straight heats, the 2:12 trot with St. Frisco, the three-year-old trot with Deroche, and the 2:01 pace with Napoleon Direct, the chestnut fellow stepping both miles in 2:00¾. The glad hand given him by today's crowd will linger long in Marse Ed's memory, as everyone was for him, apparently.

Sayde Densmore broke the tie for championship honors among the four-year-old pacing fillies by cutting a new set of figures in the Lexington track fence, 2:02, which is some distance removed from 2:05¾. The details:

Lexington, Oct. 12.—Special pace, match, $10,000 ($5,000 a side):

Hal Boy, b g by Hal B.....(McMahon)	1	1	2	1
Judge Ormonde, bl h by Ormonde..(Valentine)	2	2	1	2

Time—2:01¼, 2:02¾, 2:04¼, 2:04.

The Walnut Hall, 2:12 trot, purse $2,000:

St. Frisco, b h by San Francisco.....(Geers)	1	1	1	
Lassmore Lad, b g by Master Bo.....(McDonald)	3	2	2	
Slip Past, b m by E. M. R.....(Taylor)	2	3	3	

Lee Blossom, Princess Margrave, Todd McGregor, Tommy Todd, Bida and Alert also started.

Time—2:08, 2:08¼, 2:07¾.

2:08 trot, purse $1,000:

Lizzie Brown, b m by The Bondsman (Valentine)	1	1	1	
Harry J. S., bl h by Admiral Dewey.....(Tyson)	2	2	3	
Duchess, ro m by Allerteen.....(McDonald)	3	4	2	

Exall, The Guide, Wilgo and Hazel Laing also started.

Time—2:07¾, 2:05¾, 2:05¾.

2:01 pace, purse $1,200:

Napoleon Direct, ch h by Walter Direct.....(Geers)	1	1	
Peter Stevens, b h by Peter the Great..(Snedeker)	2	2	
Braden Direct, bl h by Baron Direct.....(Egan)	3	3	
Walter Cochato, bl h by Cochato.....(Legg)	4	4	

Time—2:00¾, 2:00¾.

Three-year-old trot, purse $1,000:

Deroche, ch c by John A. McKerron.....(Geers)	1	1	
Native Spirit, b f by Native King.....(Cox)	2	2	
The Colorado Belle, b f by Colorado E.....(Serrill)	4	3	

Allie Watts, The Exposer, Florence White and George N. Patterson also started.

Time—2:08¾, 2:08¾.

Ninth Day at Lexington.

Lexington, Oct. 13.—Single G., the Hoosier sidewheeler owned by Dr. W. G. Barefoot of Cambridge City and campaigned by Curt Gosnell, annexed the feature race of today's card at the Kentucky Trots, the Cumberland stake for 2:05 pacers of June first. Fay Richmond, teamed by Gosnell's friend and neighbor, Harrie Jones of Rushville, forced the Chamber of Commerce winner to pace to a new record of 2:02¾ in the first heat, while Queen Abbess drove him out in the next two in 2:03½ and 2:03, the contest being a good one throughout.

Ames Albingen, whose habit of winning has become very discouraging to some folks, retired the 2:20 trotters in short order, Truesada and Idora Worthy dividing the next moneys on a tie. Vance Nuckols teamed two winners, the chestnut horse Peter Billiken and the two-year-old colt General Yorke, the latter being the only one to let a heat get away from him. Suldine, driven by Ed Geers, took the first heat of the baby event in 2:13, with the General Watts colt third, the Considine youngsters driving out Nuckols' mount in 2:11½ in the second. The summaries:

Lexington, Oct. 13.—Cumberland Stake, 2:05 pace, purse $2,000:

Single G., b h by Anderson Wilkes.....(Gosnell)	1	1	1	
Queen Abbess, b m by The Abbe.....(White)	3	2	2	
Fay Richmond, gr g by New Richmond...(Jones)	2	4	3	

Columbia Fire, Our Colonel, Major Ong, Beth Clark and Jaystone also started.

Time—2:02¾, 2:03½, 2:03.

2:20 trot, purse $1,000:

Ames Albingen, b h by Albingen.....(McDonald)	1	1	1	
*Truesada, b m by Moko.....(Cox)	4	3	2	
*Idora Worthy, b m by Guy Axworthy...(Rodney)	3	2	4	

Great Governor, Ruby Watts, Harry Porter and Durin also started.

*Divided second and third moneys.

Time—2:07¾, 2:09¼, 2:09½.

2:12 trot, purse $1,000:

Peter Billiken, ch h by Peter the Great (Nuckols)	1	1	1	
Lottie Simmons, br m by George Simmons (Toll)	6	3	2	
Bertha Carey, br m by Zombro.....(DeRyder)	8	2	3	

Barney Gibbs, F. A. L., Fair Virginia, Victor Star and Alice McGregor also started.

Time—2:07¾, 2:07¼, 2:07½.

Two-year-old trot:

General Yorke, b c by General Watts..(Nuckols)	3	1	1	
Suldine, b c by Worthy McKinney.....(Geers)	1	2	3	
Forest B., b c.....(Rutterbach)	2	3	2	

Time—2:13, 2:11½, 2:13½.

Tenth Day at Lexington.

Lexington, Oct. 14.—Margaret Druien, who has been the boss of the fast trotting classes this season, was given a taste of defeat today when she met Ross B., the gelded son of Petronius winning the second and third heats handily after Margaret had taken the opener. Axtien, Sam Harris' good stallion that is booked for the trip to the exposition trots and Phoenix, showed good form in his event, trotting three winning heats in nice time over Guy Nella and Abu Taleb.

The 2:10 pace was split into two divisions, of which only the first was finished, six heats being required for a decision. Barlight took the first pair and then gave way to Fred Mack, who lasted just long enough to win the third round. In the meantime, Loomis and Hal Mapes had been "finding themselves" and came to the front for the next three, Barlight making a game but unsuccessful struggle in the final heats. In the second division May Direct and Patrick M. had a heat each when the race was carried over.

J. B. Chandler drove Bingen Silk to the season record of 2:08¾ for two-year-old trotting colts, while Walter Cox sent Sad Thoughts out for the season mark of 2:06½ for three-year-old pacing fillies. Peter Volo equaled his former record of 2:02, going to the three-quarters in 1:30¼ but tiring on the way home. The summaries:

Lexington, Oct. 14.—2:12 trot, purse $1,000:

Axtien, ch h by Axworthy.....(Harris)	1	1	1	
Guy Nella, br m by Guy Axworthy.....(Geers)	2	2	2	
Abu Taleb, br g by George A. Fuller.....(Loomis)	4	2	6	

Slip Past, Nancy McGregor, Vaster also started.

Time—2:07¾, 2:09½, 2:07¼.

2:10 pace, purse $1,000, first division:

Hal Mapes, br g by Direct Hal.(Loomis)	7	4	7	1	1	1	
Barlight, br g by Halburk.....(Mann)	1	1	3	7	2	2	
Fred Mack, br g.....(Glasscock)	6	5	1	5	3	3	

Spring Maid, Dexter Direct, Dwight Logan, Aretta V., Homer Baughman also started.

Time—2:07¾, 2:04¾, 2:04¾, 2:07¾, 2:12, 2:13¼.

2:04 trot, purse $1,200:

Ross B., b g by Petronius.....(Wright)	2	1	1
Margaret Druien, b m by Peter the Great..(Cox)	1	3	2
Joan, b m by Directum Spier.....(McDevitt)	3	2	4
Maymack, b m by Arthur Wilkes.....(DeRyder)	4	4	3

Time—2:05¾, 2:04½, 2:05½.

2:10 pace, purse $1,000 (unfinished), second division:

May Direct, b m by Very Direct.....(Taylor)	1	2	
Patrick M., br g by Norbells.....(Valentine)	6	1	
Fern Hal, bl m by Gold Hal.....(McPherson)	2	3	

Bessie R., Goldie C., Comet, Clara Walker, Elmer Dickson, The Importer also started.

Time—2:05½, 2:04¾.

Starting payments in the Occident stake have been made by the owners of half a dozen good young trotters.

LITTLE BERNICE SHOWS EXCELLENT FORM

Vera Hal may have a very dangerous rival for the title of Stadium Queen in the near future if Jack Welsh's brown mare, Little Bernice, continues to improve, as the form displayed Sunday by the daughter of Del Coronado and Pearl Pointer was of a high order, a reminder of the days when she was racing second to William in record time as a three-year-old. She had a tough time as a four-year-old and has been slow in coming into shape, but on Sunday was in form from both standpoints, speed and behavior. Happy Dentist, hero of the fast class at the previous matinee, took the free-for-allers away nicely bunched and led them into the stretch, where Dick W. worked his way to the front in response to a call from Ottinger that promised a win. However, Dick's calculations failed to include Bernice, who kept her feet under stiff drive and breezed under the wire a winner in 2:08½, going on in the second to win all the way in 2:07½. A meeting between Vera Hal and Little Bernice, with both of them "at themselves," would be a good drawing card for the closing days of the matinee season.

Adolph Ottinger, well "fed up" on dust in the fast pace, had things all his own way in the free-for-all trot, Agnes Carter again showing nice trotting qualities by stepping one mile in 2:13. Francis S. had no trouble in outranking Matawan, but neither were able to make Agnes stretch her neck to win. Lucia S., Ed Strain's other matinee mare, was a nice winner in the 2:12 pace, the second heat of which went to the three-year-old filly Greatness, who has been benefitted by a rest and a number of changes in hitch and shoeing and is now being shaped up to fill her November futurity engagements.

Victor Pointer was the boss of the 2:15 pacers and Kinney Lou Jr. took the slow mixed event after dropping the first heat to Ateka, Lassie M. trotting a good second in each heat for M. M. Bates. The summary:

2:15 pace:

Victor Pointer.....(D. W. Keating)	1			
Rosey O.....(J. J. Ryan)	2			
Senator H.....(Joe Kidd)	4			
Cookie.....(J. Vermet)	3			

Time—2:15, 2:18.

2:12 pace:

Lucia S.....(J. E. Strain)	1	4	1	
Greatness.....(E. Cerciat)	4	1		
Emma M.....(William Malough)	2	2		
King Pointer.....(H. Campodonico)	3	3		

Time—2:13, 2:15¼, 2:14.

Free-for-all pace:

Little Bernice.....(J. C. Welsh)	1	1		
Happy Dentist.....(Fred Lauterwasser Jr)	3	2		
Dick W.....(A. Ottinger)	2	3		
Bradmont.....(G. J. Giannini)	4	4		

Time—2:08½, 2:07½.

Free-for-all trot:

Agnes Carter.....(A. Ottinger)	1	1		
Francis S.....(J. E. Strain)	2	2		
Matawan.....(H. Cohen)	3	3		

Time—2:13, 2:15.

2:20 mixed:

Kinney Lou, Jr.....(Frank Burton)	3	1	1	
Ateka.....(B. Cohen)	1	3	3	
Lassie M.....(M. M. Bates)	2	2	2	

Time—2:22, 2:20, 2:18½.

DEATH CLAIMS OLIVER J. MISNER.

Horsemen throughout the Pacific coast states will will learn with regret of the death of Oliver J. Misner, which occurred some days ago in this city. Mr. Misner was a young man well and favorably known in trotting horse circles, and was the son of the veteran trainer and campaigner, Daniel R. Misner, who has been a familiar figure on coast tracks many years. Oliver was likeable and capable, quiet and unassuming, and an excellent man with a horse, having been his father's right hand man in recent training operations. He is missed by a wide circle of friends, whose warmest sympathies are extended to the surviving members of the family.

FUN DRIVERS AT PETALUMA TOMORROW.

There will be no matinee at the Stadium tomorrow afternoon, as the amateur teamsters are combining to give Petaluma horse lovers a chance to see some nice racing, a card of five events being prepared to be contested in the chicken city Sunday afternoon under the auspices of the San Francisco-California Driving Club. Quite a number of the local speeders will be present, and for company will have good performers from Petaluma, Santa Rosa and Marysville. J. J. Ryan has been chosen to do the starting, the fields being made up as follows:

2:18 pace: Sara C., Sam Norris; Victor Pointer, D. W. Keating; Greatness, E. Cerciat; King Pointer, H. Campodonico; Mabel Dillon, B. Cohen; Nutwood Demonio, John Grimes; Tom Murphy, George Silva; Jack, McDonnell & Conlan.

Free-for-all trot: Birdeye, A. Combatalade; Pfester's Linwood, J. Compton; St. Patrick, J. Holland; Kinney Lou Jr., Frank Burton; Francis S., J. E. Strain.

Free-for-all pace: Lucia S., J. E. Strain; Happy Dentist, F. P. Lauterwasser Jr.; W. J. K., W. J. Kenny; Little Bernice, J. C. Welsh; Dick W., A. Ottinger.

2:20 mixed: Linnie C., J. Compton; Tramp, John Grimes; Rose O., J. J. Ryan; Cookey, Joe Vermet; Peaches, Dan McGovern; The Potrero, Tobe Mitchel; Ateka, B. Cohen.

Special for Petaluma road horses: Ike M., Dan McGovern; Springtime, Jack Grimes; Alameda Maiden, A. Dolcini; Billy, T. R. Healey; Silver Logan, Dan Healey.

NOTES and NEWS

Hal Boy 2:01¼.
St. Frisco 2:07¾.
Sayde Densmore (4) 2:02.
Lizzie Brown 2:05¾—twice.
Napoleon Direct 2:00¾—also twice.
Tuesday must have been an off day at Lexington.
Ed Geers had more bad luck that very afternoon.
The best he could do was to win three races out of the four he had entries in.

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Napoleon Direct's fifth heat in 2:01½ makes Russell Boy's like mile in 2:03¼ look like a nice buggy ride for an elderly lady enroute home with a "settin" of eggs.

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Charley DeRyder, Homer Rutherford, the Shulers, father and son, Tommy Murphy, Samuel Harris, Will Fleming and a number of others are expected to register at Pleasanton in the immediate future.

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The Riverside fair was a success from every standpoint, much to the gratification of its promoters, its patrons, and its visitors. California could use about fifteen or twenty like it to most excellent advantage.

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Peter Scott dropped the first heat of the Walnut Hall cup to Axtien and then put it over him three in a row. They meet again here in November, and the Axworthy horse is also entered at Phoenix.

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The Zombro family was very much in evidence Monday at Lexington, Bertha Carey and Fair Virginia trotting first and second in the 2:14 trot and Auto Zombro taking the 2:08 pace in fast time.

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The Grand Circuit curtain is being rung down for the season this afternoon at Lexington and the boys are loading out for San Francisco at once. The returning home folks and the visitors will all be accorded hearty welcomes.

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October 22—next Friday—is the day for making starting payments in all divisions of the colt stakes, save the Occident, that are to be raced here in November. Don't overlook your entries, as carelessness might cost you money.

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The Baileys arrived home at Pleasanton last week, healthy and happy after a session with the Grand Circuiters down east, having had a pleasant summer in spite of the fact that the horses ran into a bunch of bad luck.

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Luana 2:16¼ trotting and Baxter Lou 2:14¼ pacing are a nice pair of new performers by Kinney Lou 2:07¾. They are the property of Lou Taylor, now living at Hemet, and were developed by him from infancy. Both were good winners at Riverside last week.

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Vera Hal 2:05, halfmile track record 2:06¾, is some wolf on the twice arounds, as only a high class mare could do what she did last week—administer two trimmings to White Sox and pace five winning heats from 2:06¾ to 2:07¾. Beating a combination like Sox and W. G. Durfee and incidentally equaling world's records in so doing are not stunts to be achieved by anything but a real racehorse.

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John W. Considine has spent several days of late at Woodland Stock Farm and here in San Francisco, transacting various business matters and receiving congratulations concerning the great showing made by the Prince Ansel yearlings in Kentucky. He wears a smile that tells its own story—that he is well pleased and that he also has more of the same kind at the farm.

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Lon McDonald, driver of Colorado Range 2:09½, that finished third in the Horseman Futurity at Columbus last week, has protested the payment of second money to Humfast on the ground that Thos. W. Murphy, who drove the filly, controlled two horses in the race, which is forbidden by the rules. Bondella, that finished out of the money, is a member of the Murphy stable and Humfast was purchased on Tuesday. The amount involved is $2,900, and the money will be tied up until the board of review meeting in December.—Horse World.

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Budd Davis of Caldwell, Idaho, is the latest addition to the list of consignors to the DeRyder sale, to be held here in San Francisco during the fall meeting at the exposition, Mr. Davis sending three nice young things from producing lines of breeding. Glancing over the MacKenzie consignment makes one think that "Spriggan bargains" will be in evidence all right, as there are some very high class prospects included in that offering—especially the mare by The Harvester 2:01 and the bey gelding The Earnest The owner's statement concerning them is similar to the one that went with Spriggan 2:08¼—and you know how well that one has been substantiated by subsequent events. Watch for the announcement of the date and location of sale, and keep posted on the offerings through the ad.

Bertha Carey 2:07¾.
Governor Mason 2:08¼.
Both winrace records at Lexington.
The former has a chance to win some more coin for Charley DeRyder at the exposition trots.

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Yes, eastern folks must like the Prince Ansels, from the way they sold at Lexington.

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Quite a number of California stables will take in the fair at Phoenix after the P.-P. I. E. meeting closes, Charley DeRyder being about the only one of the regular visitors who failed to make entries there.

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The catalog for the Woodland Stock Farm sale, Oct. 25, is in the hands of the printer and will be ready for mailing early next week. Get your application in early, to the farm, this office, or Auctioneer Wm. Higginbottom, this city.

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Bob Smith is arranging to visit the Chicago Horse Sale, December 13 to 18, with a goodly representation of California trotters and pacers, and is getting quite a number ready for the ring at Los Angeles. Another shipment will be assembled here in San Francisco, and Mr. Smith, whose address is 1216 Dewey Avenue, Los Angeles, will be pleased to hear from any and all horsemen who have the right kind of surplus stock to dispose of and wish to patronize the Chicago sale. No advance money is required for shipment, and the eastern market for really high class horses is in a healthy condition.

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The former California record for pacers on halfmile track—2:08¼—was treated very disrespectfully at Riverside by White Sox and Vera Hal in both their meetings. Sox set a new record of 2:07 in the first heat of the first meeting, then Vera clipped a quarter-second from it and came back in 2:07, equaling the world's record for a third heat by a pacing mare on a halfmile track, made some years ago at Streator, Illinois, by The Broncho. The aggregate time of the two races are also the same, with the difference that The Broncho won all three heats. In the second meeting between Sox and Vera the latter won in straight heats in 2:07¾, 2:07¼, 2:07¼.

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The Indianapolis trotter, Peter McCormick 2:05½, owned by V. L. Shuler of the Indiana capital, trotted a remarkable race in the $3,000 stake for 2:09 trotters on Tuesday afternoon, considering that he had not been a mile better than 2:15 since the Grand Circuit meeting at Grank Rapids. The big son of Peter the Great 2:07¼ went a bit wrong at the meeting at the Furniture City and was shipped home. Shuler has been bringing him along slowly and when he shipped to Columbus, did not figure that Peter would be up to any such race as he trotted. Lawrence Shuler, for the first time behind Peter McCormick in a race, piloted the big trotter in a masterful manner. In all of the five heats, Peter was right in the thickest of the fray, and in the third round headed the bunch to the wire in 2:09½.—Western Horseman.

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The late Major DuBois used to say that the drivers are the men who alone give added values to race horses and make them worth while for breeding purposes. It is said Hamburg Belle cost John E. Madden $5,000, but Andrews made her worth $50,000. The late August Uhlein paid $9,000 for The Harvester, but Ed Geers made the horse worth $50,000. What Tommy Murphy did with Peter Volo is on record and had it not been for Walter Cox, the owner of Peter Scott would not get $30,000 for his horse; nor the owner of Allen Winter $50,000 had not McDonald handled him and won $30,000 in the Readville handicap. Dexter sold for $400 in Orange county, New York, but Budd Doble made him worth $33,000 to Robert Bonner and had it not been for the same driver, Goldsmith Maid would not have won $365,000. It was Johnny Splan who made the off-bred gelding Rarus a $30,000 horse. The trouble is the driver is hardly ever considered and if a race horse proves to be a plug and cannot win, it has a bad driver, but if it develops into a champion all honors go to the breeder and wealthy owner.—Field and Farm.

PRINCE ANSEL YEARLINGS SELL WELL AT LEXINGTON.

Telegraphic advices from Lexington bear the welcome news that California bred yearlings from Woodland Stock Farm, all by Prince Ansel, were the stellar attractions at the sales of harness horses held during the progress of the present Grand Circuit meeting. Billy Marvin, of William 1:58½ fame, paid $610, the top price of the sale, for the filly Verbena Ansel (1) 2:22, whose recent performances of a championship nature have been widely heralded, while the other yearling champ, Anselot (1) 2:28½, the first yearling gelding to achieve a standard record, brought $535. Edna Ansel, out of Edna Saunders by Axworthy (3) 2:15½, sold for $235, so the eastern folks evidently have a well developed respect for the Woodland babies.

The sales are of especial interest at this moment, as horse fanciers will have an opportunity to bid on Prince Ansels of equal quality at the forthcoming sale at the Considine establishment on Monday, October 25. The dams of these youngsters are in the sale, one with a Prince Ansel foal at foot, along with many others. The catalog will be ready next week and can be had for the asking.

STARTERS FOR THE OCCIDENT STAKES.

The first of the events for three-year-old trotters to be raced at the exposition meeting is the Occident Stake, which will be contested on San Francisco day, Nov. 2, along with the big $20,000 stake for 2:10 trotters and the $2,000 class race for 2:12 pacers. Some spirited contests have marked the racing of the Occident in former years, and no doubt this number of the same will be of a similar character. Starting payments fell due some days ago and Secretary C. W. Paine has issued the following roster of those eligible to start, an even half-dozen:

Zomvellyn B., b c by El Zombro—Evelyn B. by Prince Ansel; Miss Elizabeth King Livermore, San Francisco.

Helen Belle, b f by Carlokin—Carolyn C. by Axtell; W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.

Allie Lou, br f by Kinney Lou—Lady Zombro by Zombro; Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet.

Carl, bl c by Carlokin—My Irene S. by Petigru C. J. Berry, San Francisco.

May Alto, b f by Alto Express—Maymonio by Demonio; Rodman & Hoy, Woodland.

Byron, bl c by Tom Moko—Reta H. by McKinney Wm. Loftus, Whittier.

NEW AYRSHIRE CHAMPION.

Lily of Willowmoor 22269, bred and owned by J. W. Clise, Redmond, Washington, has just finished her fifth consecutive official record for advanced registry, making a cumulative record of 84,991 lbs. of milk, and 3,362.35 lbs. of fat with 3.84% fat average for the five years, making her the five-year champion of the breed.

This record is worthy of study, in that it shows to a remarkable degree the staying quality of the Ayrshire cow, giving an average of 16,991 lbs. of milk and 672.47 lbs. of fat for five years. She now stands in first place as a long term cow.

She is due to freshen October 12th, and had she not been bred to calve within the cumulative requirement she would undoubtedly have again led the world's Ayrshire record for a single year, as her record under these conditions is only 426 lbs. of milk less than the present record of the world's champion Ayrshire for milk and is 37.96 lbs. more fat.

The record is valuable as showing the constitution necessary to give a remarkable milk and butter-fat record, with a calf each year for five consecutive years.

To give that amount of milk annually and raise a calf each year, a cow must have constitution, which is characteristic of the Ayrshire breed.

DAVID WEST IN NEW LOCATION.

For the last several days J. David West, the horse haberdasher, has been greeting old customers in a new store, the location of the business having been transferred from the old stand on Golden Gate avenue to 1018 Fillmore street, in the same neighborhood. "Sell" horse goods and other standard lines of horse and stable accessories and the best proven veterinary remedies are on hand in full stocks, as well as a wide assortment of other leather goods and novelties. Don't forget the new address.

CATTLE SHOW AFFECTED BY QUARANTINE.

The cattle show to be held by the Panama-Pacific International Exposition at San Francisco will be a distictively western cattle show. There will be no animals exhibited from any of the states east of the Mississippi river.

This condition is the result of the fear on the part of the California State Veterinarian that the recurrence of the foot and mouth disease in Illinois might spread to other states. As a consequence, the State Veterinarian has placed a quarantine on all cattle from states east of the Mississippi and also from Minnesota, Iowa, Missouri, Kansas and Montana. But this will leave the cattle herds of Arizona, New Mexica, Colorado, Nebraska, Washington, Oregon, Oklahoma, Texas, Nevada, California, the Dakotas, Idaho and Wyoming from which to draw, and the accommodations of the exposition's live stock department will be fairly filled even with the loss due to the quarantine. The beef cattle show will be small but the dairy cattle display will be commensurate with a world's exposition.

The show will be held from October 18 to November 1, stock being received October 15. In spite of the quarantine, which nullified a large number of entries, there remain from free territory 162 beef and 592 dairy cattle, a total of 754, of the original entries, to which new entries from western breeders, to whom the date of closing entries was extended, have been added. The total cattle entries before the quarantine was put into effect was 1,668 head.

American thoroughbred fanciers who wish to take advantage of the depression in English racing circles to recruit their stables will find all information concerning British bloodstock gladly furnished them upon application to the Irish Bloodstock Agency, Coyle & Co., Ltd., at 7 Anglesea St., Dublin, Ireland. They are in every way responsible and capable, with a long record to vouch for them, and have at all time listings of the salable material of the leading studs of the empire.

Entries for the Arizona State Fair

While a few of the thousand dollar events at Phoenix failed to fill and have been canceled, the majority of the purses not only filled but filled well, the entrants being sufficient both in quality and number to insure some very good sport during the week of November 15 to 20. The classes failing to receive sufficient patronage to justify them being raced are the 2:07 and 2:10 pace and the 2:07 and free-for-all trot. In the light of the fact that this has been an off year for fairs and racing in this section on account of the exposition, the Arizona association might have fared far worse, and then, too, there were other adverse circumstances that had to be faced. The rearrangement of dates to avoid conflict with the P.-P. I. E. meeting, the defection of Dallas from the Great Western Circuit, the reduction of purses, and most especially the late date at which the Arizona commission made up their minds what to do have all handicapped Secretary Shaughnessy in his efforts to get the horsemen there. Then, too, there are fewer eastern horsemen entered here at the exposition than was anticipatd, and a number from whom entries may have been feared by others were not received, working a double hardship on the Phoenix folks. Tommy Murphy did not enter, but a number of the smaller strings from the east will make Phoenix with some mighty good horses, and the Californians will be on deck as usual, with the exception of Charley DeRyder.

The classes declared filled and the entries therein are as follows:

2:18 Trot, Purse $1,000.00:

Kildare, blk g by Zombro, Dr. J. G. Belt, Phoenix; Highland C. Jr., bl g by Highland C., and Pinewood, b h by Lijero, Pinewood Farm, Flagstaff; Gypsie Boy, b g by Dr. Clark, J. R. Lambert, Phoenix; Naboth Jr., ch g by unknown, E. S. McEuen, Tucson; Zona B., br m by Zolock, Mrs. A. W. Sydnor, Globe; Meridian Jr., bl g by Meridian, Victor Holding, Safford; Sadie View, br m by Direct View, Louis Sands, Glendale; Delfino, blk m by Oh So, Albert Lopez, Sonora; Columbia T., b m by Gon Guy, C. F. Silva, Sacramento; Larry T., b g by Larry Kinney, Mrs. A. F. Pecklo, Corona; The Lark, b m by Carlokin, and Helen Belle, b m by Carlokin, W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.

2:12 Trot, Purse $1,000.00:

Highland C. Jr., blk g by Highland C., and Pinewood, b h by Lijero, Pinewood Farm, Flagstaff; Bill Jones, b g by Derby Mac, J. N. Jones, Stockton; The Proof, b h by The Exponent, C. A. Spencer, Pleasanton; Aubrey O., b g by Captain Aubrey, Frank J. Butler, Trenton; Zona B., br m by Zolock, A. W. Sydnor, Globe; Sadie View, br m by Direct View, Louis Sands, Glendale; Axtien, ch h by Axworthy, Samuel Harris, Plymouth; Mabel Van, b m by On Stanley, and Larry T., b g by Larry Kinney, Mrs. A. F. Pecklo, Corona; The Lark, b m by Carlokin, Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko, and Sargo, b g by Keeler, W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles; Peter McCormick, br h by Peter the Great, V. L. & Laurence Shuler, Pleasanton; Seneca Boy, ch g by King Entertainer, E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg.

2:09 Trot, Purse $1,000.00:

Bill Jones, b g by Derby Mac, J. N. Jones, Stockton; The Proof, b h by The Exponent, C. A. Spencer, Pleasanton; Aubrey O., b g by Captain Aubrey, Frank J. Butler, Trenton; Zona B., br m by Zolock, A. W. Sydnor, Globe; Sadie View, br m by Direct View, Louis Sands, Glendale; Kid Cupid, ch g by Cupid, C. F. Silva, Sacramento; Axtien, ch h by Axworthy, Samuel Harris, Plymouth; Albaloma, b g by Almaden D., J. P. Quinn, Sacramento; Mabel Van, b m by On Stanley, Mrs. A. F. Pecklo, Corona; Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko, and Esperanza, b m by Carlokin, W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles; Peter McCormick, br h by Peter the Great, V. L. & Lawrence Shuler, Pleasanton; Seneca Boy, ch g by King Entertainer, E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg.

2:15 Pace, Purse $1,000.00:

Zombrino, blk h by Prince Zombro, Dr. J. G. Belt, Phoenix; Gay Tommie, b g by Tom Ferguson, J. R. Lambert, Phoenix; Rayo de Oro, ch g by Copa de Oro, J. S. Nickerson, Los Angeles; Direct So, br h by Direct View, E. S. McEuen, Tucson; Queen T., b m by Oh So, Sam Davis, Tucson; Booker T., b h by Ira Bank, A. S. Murphy; Mack Leland, br g by Leland D., W. L. Selman, Phoenix; Kuropatkin, br h by Gambetta Wilkes, C. H. Barkley, Phoenix; Santa Fe, ch g by Zolock, Mrs. A. F. Pecklo, Corona; Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro, W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.

2:04 Pace, Purse $1,000.00:

Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney, J. N. Jones, Stockton; Sayde Densmore, ch f by Don Densmore, D. A. Dinnie, Minot; Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio, Teddy Bear, b h by Del Coronado, and Bondalean, b h by The Bondsman, C. F. Silva, Sacramento; White Sox, b m by Del Coronado, and Clara Mac, br m by Expressive Mac, W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles; The Beaver, b h by Searchlight A., E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg; Waynetta, b m by Admiral, J. A. Burnett, Denver; Don Densmore, b h by Pactolus, D. A. Dinnie, Minot.

Free-for-all Pace, Purse $1,000.00:

Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney, J. N. Jones, Stockton; Don Densmore, b h by Pactolus, D. A. Dinnie, Minot; Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio, Bondalean, b h by The Bondsman, and Teddy Bear, b h by Del Coronado, C. F. Silva, Sacramento; Waynetta, b m by Admiral, J. A. Burnett, Denver; Sayde Densmore, ch f by Don Densmore, D. A. Dinnie, Minot; White Sox, b m by Del Coronado, and Clara Mac, br m by Expressive Mac, W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles; The Beaver, br h by Searchlight A., E. J. Rochon, Winnipeg.

2:25 Trot, Purse $1,000.00, Arizona Horses Only:

Kildare, blk g by Zombro, and Lady Leco, blk m by Cochise, Dr. J. G. Belt, Phoenix; Otis Jr., b h by James Otis, L. M. Schenck, Phoenix; Irene Strathmore, ch f by Knight of Strathmore, and Pinewood, b h by Lijero, Pinewood Farm, Flagstaff; Gypsie Boy, b g by Dr. Clark, J. R. Lambert, Phoenix; Naboth Jr., ch g by unknown, E. S. McEuen, Tucson; Zona B., br m by Zolock, Mrs. A. W. Sydnor, Globe; Meridian Jr., blk g by Meridian, Victor Holding, Safford; Sadie View, br m by Direct View, Louis Sands, Glendale; Delfino, blk m by Oh So, Albert Lopez, Sonora.

Two-year-old Trot, Purse $500.00, Arizona Horses Only:

Pineknot, b c by Greco B., and Belzabola, b f by Red Lac, Pinewood Farm, Flagstaff; Navajo, b f by Dr. Clark, and Lady C., b f by Dr. Clark, J. T. Clark, Phoenix; Dr. Davidson, b c by Dr. Clark, Sanderson, Peoria; Jess, ch g by Col. Randolph, W. M. Breckenridge, Tucson; Betsy Directly, b f by Directly, Haze Burch, Phoenix; Slats, b h by Director, Victor Holding, Safford; Della Patch, b m by Patchlock, Dr. A. H. Davidson, Phoenix; Black Colt, blk c by J. J. M. Jr., Albert Lopez, Sonora.

Three-year-old, or Under, Trot, Purse $500.00, Arizona Horses Only:

Baby Joy, ch c by Direct So, Z. C. Prina, Safford; Irene Strathmore, ch f by Knight of Strathmore, Pinewood Farm, Flagstaff; Otis Jr., b c by James Otis, L. M. Schenck, Phoenix; Navajo, b f by Dr. Clark, and Lady C., b f by Dr. Clark, J. T. Clark, Phoenix; Dr. Davidson, b c by Dr. Clark, Sanderson, Peoria; Betsy Directly, b f by Directly, Haze Burch, Phoenix; Slats, b c by Director, Victor Holding, Safford; Miss Emily, b f by Knight of Strathmore, W. L. Selman, Phoenix.

2:20 Pace, Purse $1,000.00, Arizona Horses Only:

Zombrino, blk h by Prince Zombro, Dr. J. G. Belt, Phoenix; May Della, blk f by Lou Kinney, Pinewood Farm, Flagstaff; Gay Tommie, b g by Tom Ferguson, J. R. Lambert, Phoenix; Roxie D., br f by Leland D., W. A. Yore, Phoenix; Direct So, br h by Direct View, E. S. McEuen, Tucson; Queen T., b m by Oh So, Sam Davis, Tucson; Booker T., b h by Ira Band, A. S. Murphy, Phoenix; Mac Leland, br g by Leland D., W. L. Selman, Phoenix; Kuropatkin, br h by Gambetta Wilkes, C. H. Barkley, Phoenix.

Two-year-old Pace, Purse $500.00, Arizona Horses Only:

Marguerite, b f by Airault, W. A. Yore, Phoenix; Vic, b g by Director, Victor Holding, Safford; Lelia Mack, b f by Leland D., W. L. Selman, Phoenix; Dama blk c by Directly, Louis Sands, Glendale; John M., b c by James Otis, W. L. Selman, Phoenix; Deter, blk h by Patchlock, Dr. A. H. Davidson, Phoenix;

Three-year-old Pace, Purse $500.00, Arizona Horses Only:

May Della, blk f by Lou Kinney, Pinewood Farm, Flagstaff; Veinie B., b f by Leland D., Wm. Zeller, Phoenix; Roxie D., br f by Leland D., and Marguerite, b f by Airault, W. A. Yore, Phoenix; Vic, b g by Director, Victor Holding, Safford; Lelia Mack, b f by Leland D., W. L. Selman, Phoenix; Dama, blk c by Directly, Louis Sands, Glendale.

HONEYWOOD COMES TO NEVADA STOCK FARM

Some weeks ago mention was made in this paper of Black Jester, the famous English stallion which George Wingfield's agents expected to secure for Nevada Stock Farm, since which time negotiations tending to the purchase have been abandoned. Mr. Wingfield's representatives have not made the trip in vain, however, as they not only secured a fair amount of excellent racing material, but also bought a most promising stallion to put in service at the Nevada speed nursery, the four-year-old stake winner, Honeywood, concerning whom the noted British authority, Audrax, of Horse and Hounds, makes the following pleasing comment:

As the Cambridgeshire winner, Honeywood, a very nice horse, full of quality, has been purchased for export to the United States for use as a stallion, it may be of interest to many of my readers if I give a brief account of his chief racing performances, together with a few notes on his breeding. Bred by Mr. Sol Joel at his splendid Maiden Erlegh Stud, near Reading, and foaled on May 4th, 1911, Honeywood was sent with Mr. Joel's other yearlings to be placed under Charles Peck's charge at Sefton Lodge, Newmarket. The colt began his running career, when backward, at the Newmarket Craven meeting of 1913, being beaten three-quarters of a length by Pictorial for the Fitzwilliam Stakes, with Carancho a fair third in a huge field. At the Epsom summer meeting Honeywood started favorite for the Catherham Plate, which he won easily by two lengths from King's Scholar, with ten others in the rear; but at Newbury he made one of those Longtown beat for the Berkshire Foal Stakes. At Ascot he was close up third to Land of Song and La Marquise for the Windsor Castle Stakes, among the remaining twenty runners being Torchlight, who was favorite, and it may here be as well to mention that Land of Song the following season won the Irish Derby, after which he was sent to Australia and turned out a really good horse securing several rich events in his adopted country shortly after arriving. Honeywood next finished second to Ambassador in the time-honored July Stakes at Newmarket, and was in a similar position to the speedy Parhelion for the Levant Stakes at Goodwood; but later he cleverly won the Nottinghamshire Breeders' Foal Plate, conceding 12 pounds and a half-length beating to Poet's Licence. After the son of Polymelus had finished once more behind Longtown, in the Manchester Autumn Breeders' Foal Plate, he proved too good for First Spear, Sunny Lake, and Dolly Varden in the Buckenham Stakes at Newmarket, and the following day won the Boscawen Stakes from Ted Smith, the favorite, Brakespeare, being third. In the Leicester County Foal Stakes he naturally found the task of conceding 16 pounds to Torchlight beyond his powers, and he was also behind the same smart filly in the Free Handicap at Newmarket.

Honeywood did not again appear in public until the following April, when, although burdened with 9st 4lb, he was made favorite for the ten-furlong Hastings Plate at Newmarket, wherein he ran third to Scipio, 8st 3lb, and The Gaul, 8st 10lb; after which he took part in the Stewards' Handicap at Epsom, won by Sir Edgar, and the Hurst Park Yearling Plate, which Evansdale secured. In spite of these three failures, Honeywood was greatly fancied for the Royal Hunt Cup, in which he was a good third to Lie-a-Bed and Braxted, and the colt was no doubt feeling the effects of his exertions in this race when two days later he was unplaced to Mount William for the six-furlong Wokingham Stakes. Mr. Joel's colt was next seen out for the important mile and a quarter Eclipse Stakes, worth 8735 sovs, in which he earned 900 sovs by running a good second at level weights—8st 13lb—to Hapsburg, another colt of his own age who had finished second in a field of thirty to the French horse, Durbar II., in the Derby a few weeks previously. Three lengths behind Honeywood came the Two Thousand Guineas winner and favorite, Kenneymore, 3 years, 9st 2 lb, and among the ten remaining runners were the four-year-olds Cantilever and Louvois, each carrying 10st, and respective winners of the Cambridgeshire and Two Thousand Guineas of 1913, while Cantilever had also gained further fame by beating Tracery in the Jockey Club Stakes. For the mile and a quarter Duke of York Stakes at Kempton Honeywood ran behind the four-year-old Nassau, who was only giving him 5lb, and having secured the Non-Stayers' Plate at Lingfield, Mr. S. Joel's colt, carrying 7st 8lb, got the better of a splendid struggle for the nine-furlong Cambridgeshire Stakes, winning by a head from Ambassador, 3 years, 7st 5 lb, who beat Diadumenos, 4 years, 7st 11lb, by the same narrow margin for second place. Among the unplaced ones in this event were such good horses as the St. Leger winner Black Jester, the City and Suburban victor Maiden Erlegh, Nassau, and Santair. Honeywood was ridden by Donoghue, and started a well-fancied candidate at 100 to 7. Although the colt has been out several times this year, he was never really fancied until he took part in the Cambridgeshire Hunt Plate at Newmarket in July, wherein he managed to finish fifth to Young Pegasus after being kicked at the post and getting badly away. We will now look through an extended pedigree of the horse, which reads as follows:—

HONEYWOOD (1911)	POLYMELUS (1902)	CYLLENE (1895)	Bona Vista (1889)	Bend Or (1877)	Doncaster (1870)
					Rouge Rose (1865)
				Vista (1879)	Macaroni (1860)
					Verdure (1867)
			Arcadia (1887)	Isonomy (1875)	Sterling (1868)
					Isola Bella (1868)
				Distant Shore (1880)	Hermit (1864)
					Land's End (1873)
		MAID MARIAN (1886)	Hampton (1872)	Lord Clifden (1860)	Newminster (1848)
					The Slave (1852)
				Lady Langden (1868)	Kettledrum (1858)
					Haricot (1847)
			Quiver (1872)	Toxophilite (1855)	Longbow (1849)
					Legerdemain (1846)
				Mare (1860)	Young Melbourne (1855)
					Brown Bess (1844)
	HONEY BIRD (1896)	FRIAR'S BALSAM (1885)	Hermit (1864)	Newminster (1848)	Touchstone (1831)
					Beeswing (1833)
				Seclusion (1857)	Tadmor (1846)
					Miss Sellon (1851)
			Flower of Dorset (1870)	Breadalbane (1862)	Stockwell (1849)
					Blink Bonny (1854)
				Imperatrice (1859)	Orlando (1841)
					Eulogy (1843)
	WARBLE (1884)		Skylark (1873)	King Tom (1851)	Harkaway (1834)
					Pocahontas (1837)
				Wheat-ear (1867)	Young Melbourne (1855)
					Swallow (1855)
			Coturnix (1871)	Thunderbolt (1857)	Stockwell (1849)
					Cordelia (1851)
				Fravolina (1862)	Orlando (1841)
					Apricot (1844)

A charming horse to look at, and beautifully balanced, I predict a successful stud career for this bay son of Polymelus (by Cyllene, who begot the Derby winners Cicero, Lemberg, Minoru and Tagalie), sire of the St. Leger winner Black Jester, Pommern (the champion three-year-old of this season, and winner of the Two Thousand Guineas, New Derby, and September Stakes), and many other good racers, who

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ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

MY DREAM.

Give me no dream of the city,
The palace, the mill or the mart;
I would rather the call of the open
Rang clear in the depths of my heart.
The rustle of leaf in the forest
The song of the wood and the stream,
The voice of the hill and the valley—
This is my dream—my dream.

Give me no gold of the toiler
Gleaned in his house of clay;
I would rather the peace that lingers
Over each woodland way.
The glint of the sun in the branches,
The night and its stars agleam,
The voice of the breeze in the woodland trees
This is my dream—my dream.

Give me no sound of the traffic
And strife of the city's kind;
I would rather the woodland whispers,
The balm of the forest wind.
The song of the bird in the open,
The lilt of the shaded stream,
And the charm that lies in the open skies—
This is my dream—my dream.

THE LURE OF AUTUMN DAYS.

Spring draws me forth from my rain-bound shelter to view a world of a thousand wonders; to see where the towhee and the horned lark and the shrike and the mockingbird have hid their homes; to hear the love-call of the quail, whistling "sweetheart, sweetheart," through the brush; to feel the sap leaping up the mottled branches of the greening sycamores and beneath the rough bark of the lowland willows; to lie on sprouting sod beneath a branching, heavy-canopied oak whose solemn stolidity is broken by the wandering winds that shake it into laughter above my head.

With the summer comes the infinite mystery of new life: the rabbit with her young in their grassy "form" beneath the willow tangle, the quail with her downy brood scattering to the four winds of heaven at the cry of alarm, the never-silent oriole family, pendant in their woven cradle from the very tip of some sycamore or eucalyptus-branch; and, more than all the rest, the occasional glimpse of things unknown which comes to the wanderer in summer.

But it is autumn that draws my heart! Autumn with her red-hot days, cold nights and sweeping winds that freeze or sear. Then the corn fields, their golden shocks in orderly array, with gleaming pumpkins in between, whisper of cornbred and pumpkin pies—for even in Our Italy the things of the flesh betimes intrude themselves like a spade in four hearts.

Autumn cornfields, however, have another use beside sheltering pumpkins: They shelter unnumbered hordes of doves. Time was when I did not know this, when I passed by the cornfield for the wheat stubble; but now I know different. I don't shoot many doves, albeit I like to eat them, because I cannot bring myself to believe them a game bird; but this is the way I got acquainted with the cornfield and the doves.

All round this cornfield, which did not cover more than ten acres, was wheat and barley stubble. In it guns were popping—half a dozen at every harried dove that drove headlong from its evening watering place to a roost in the oak-grown hills that everywhere lay roundabout. I started through the cornfield, down the track made by a broad bedded wagon into whose maw the farmer had swooped the ripened ears. At the first shock there was the flutter of wings and a dove rose, moved to the third tower of dried stalks and dropped to earth again.

I was surprised; doves are not corn-eaters, but here were doves in the cornfield. There may be "nature-fakers," but there are no natural fakes. Behind every trick in the outdoors there's a reason. The little sixteen slipped over into my right arm, my thumb slid the safety back, and when, at the next corn shock, three doves got up, I dropped one and missed clean with the other barrel.

The shot seemed to stir up a million of the birds. They were everywhere, apparently just resting and hiding out from the hunters who made a fringe around their customary feeding ground. I examined the crops of the six doves which I killed that evening and found not a grain of corn in any one. It was evident they had not been feeding in the cornfield with the black, buckwheat-like seeds of the turkey mullein, the favorite food of mourning doves throughout the southwest.

Suspecting that the birds might be feeding on seeds other than corn, I searched the parts of the plot in which I hunted, finding not even one plant of fireweed nor one of turkey mullein. The birds, then, had gotten "wise" to the schemes of the hunters and had taken to the cornfield, while others, not so skilled in the art of saving their lives, flew overhead to make pot-pies for the hunters.

Undoubtedly these cornfield birds fed at night or in the early forenoon—another trick they must have learned for themselves and a habit totally foreign to the daily life of the dove family. None of the hunters had thought to search for their game in the cornfield, and I stumbled upon a novel phase of bird life all because the autumn had called me, not because I shot doves for pleasure or for meat.

It seems good just to be out. The fringe of green-leaved acacia trees around father's place is heavy with masses of fuzzy golden balls of bloom. In the hills the "Spanish Daggers" are rearing last long shafts of creamy bells to the sun; and where the creek babbles through the willows and water beeches and sycamores, here and there a scarlet bugle splashes the greens and grays with its sudden burst of fire.

The very air of Autumn breathes such magic words as "quail!" and "rabbit!" In the dust of the road you see the queer, scratched hieroglyphs of the cottontail; even in the suburbs of town, where there are plenty of dogs and boys, the script in the dust shows many and many a bunny. In the day-times they hide in the hedges, in the berry vines, in the alfalfa patches and even under the houses.

From the thicket, out of the vacant spaces where one would little dream of their existence, the three-toed tracks of the quail lead up and down and across the road, never seeming to have any business anywhere with anybody, but disappearing a mile or two farther on into the hills when day creeps out to let the world free.

And every time you take a trip down a country road in the autumn you are convinced that the boys of today are not made of the same stuff that you and I and the boys of "our" day were made. If they were, you argue, there wouldn't be so many quail tracks; and there would be a few rabbit snares among the rows of blackberries—a few old-fashioned "figger four" traps down by the sweetcorn patch, and some of those other trifles that we as boys took as a matter of course and to which we as men would give ten years of our lives to return.

Ever shoot cottontails in the California hills in the fall? Just after the first or second rain, I mean, when the grass is up half an inch or so and every rabbit sits up clear against the hill, just out of range of the shotgun, but a fine target for the .22 or the .25-20. There is one of the finest games of the outdoors, one of the prime allurements of the autumn time.

I used to have a dog, little and not much to look at, but a terror to rabbits and ground squirrels. He is gone now—may Cerebus, who guards the Styx, rest his ashes—but in life he was the gamest little thoroughbred that ever lived. His squirrel-record for one day was eleven; his rabbit list, with my puny efforts added, six; and the beauty of him was that he needed no gun.

If he ever spotted a squirrel twenty feet from his hole, that rodent might as well send in his book and bid his friends a last adieu. There was a whirlwind run, a snap of sharp teeth in vice-like little jaws, a squeak, and all was over.

Sometimes he got a rabbit this way; more often we, this dog and I, dug them out of their burrows or pulled them from little caves with long sticks; but whatever we did, we got the rabbits and we usually went after them in the fall, in that California autumn which is just as dear to us who know California as is Thanksgiving time to those who dwell to the east of the great mountains.

FLY CASTING AT STOW LAKE.

The San Francisco Fly Casting Club's postponed medal contest No. 9 came off Sunday forenoon at Stow lake in Golden Gate Park under most pleasant weather auspices. Stanley Forbes led in the light tackle accuracy event No. 1 and also in the ¼-ounce lure distance event, No. 4. Walter Mansfield's 112 and 127 feet were the top scores in the light tackle distance, event No. 5, and salmon fly casting distance, event No. 6. Harry Thomsen's dry fly score, event No. 2, was the leading mark in that contest. J. F. Burgin won the ¼-ounce lure accuracy event, No. 3.

Stanley Forbes' 152 feet "slam" cast with ¼-ounce lure tackle; Davis' 146, Kewell's 135, Davis' 116 and Burgin's 90 feet were the other scores in that event. The "in and out" scores were: Brookes 1, 1; Kewell 2; Young 2; Davis 1. The tabulated scores follow:

Sunday Contest No. 9. Medal Series, Stow Lake, October 10, 1915 (postponed from October 3, 1915). Wind, southwest. Weather, fair.

Judges, H. A. Thomsen, Jr., Joe Springer. Referee, W. J. Davis, Jr. Clerk, Chas. E. Hills, Jr.

Entries—	1	2	3	4	5	6
Stanley Forbes	99.24	98.9	97.8	142	96	105
Dr. W. E. Brookes	99.20	98.9	.....	...	88	111
C. H. Kewell	99.16	98.12	97.4	123	93	102
W. J. Davis, Jr.	99.12	99	96.8	114	81	101
J. F. Burgin	99	99.2	98.5	79	87	120
H. A. Thomsen	98.52	99.6	.....	...	87	116
Col. C. G. Young	98.40	97.13	.....	...	...	...
Joe Springer	98.24	98.13	94.2	...	82	118
W. D. Mansfield	98.12	.....	98	...	112	127
Re-Entries—						
Dr. W. E. Brookes	99.36	98.3	.....	...	...	...
W. D. Mansfield	98.32	.....	.....	...	...	...
J. F. Burgin	.....	.....	.....	75	...	123

THE BANDTAILED PIGEON.

The bandtail pigeon is on the protected list, under the new federal regulations, until September 1, 1918. Sportsmen in this State, familiar with these birds, are of almost unanimous opinion that theis prohibitory statute was entirely unnecessary so far as it applied to the Pacific Coast. In some sections of this State the pigeons are now and have been for years, notwithstanding the hunting prior to two years ago, to be found by the thousands. And this plenitude of the birds by no means could be reduced—as wsa the passenger pigeon—for the simple reason that habitat difficulties and the wariness of the pigeon are in sufficient majority to keep down the toll of the hunter far and away from a supicion of the extermination mark.

Recent reports give out that in the eastern foothill slopes and upper pine regions of the Sacramento and San Joaquin valley ranges bandtail pigeons can be found, as they have been for 50 years past, just as numerous as ever.

The following story by a Southern California sportsman will give a fair idea of the situation and justify the opinion of many California and Coast sportsmen that there was no pressing necessity for the present law—as it pertains to the Pacific Coast.

"One of the least known game birds of California, yet one of the hardest to shoot, and a fairly good variation of the usual game diet of quail and rabbits and deer while one is in the mountains, is the bandtailed pigeon of the higher hills.

To the scattergun man accustomed to stand two or three hours of an afternoon in the shade of a sheltering tree at the edge of a wheat field, bringing down five out of seven of the doves that pass over him on their way to or from their feeding grounds; to the quail enthusiast or the snipe shooter, who with the aid of his wide-ranging dogs can find good sport in almost any mesa or low-lying marsh, the shooting of these mountain pigeons will not appeal. The work of getting them is out of all proportion to the birds obtained, and it is practically impossible to hunt them successfully alone, two great drawbacks to any sort of hunting.

But the bandtail when found, high in the piney slopes of the real mountains or driven down to the oak flats by the constant pressure of deep snows, is one of the finest of birds for the hunter who has the stamina to carry a heavy duck gun through the canyons all day and to shoot three and a half drams of powder under an ounce and a quarter of shot, and do it every time he sees a bird.

Ten of these hill pigeons is a good day's bag for any hunter, I care not how experienced he is or how well he knows the California mountains through which he hunts. And the birds are not disappearing through any inroads hunters are making in their ranks; in fact, there are as many bandtails in the California hills today as there were the first day I ever saw one of the pigeons, many years ago on the northern face of old Mount San Antonio, better known as "Baldy."

First of all, this bird should not be mixed with the common turtle or mourning dove, found in every field of the Southwest. A much larger bird, the prevailing tone of whose plumage is blue, the bandtail is seldom ever seen in the lowlands, and then only when, as rarely happens, it is driven out of the mountains by the cold and heavy snows of winter.

Then it comes down only so far as may be necessary to escape the rigors of its summer home, and returns just as soon as the snow begins to melt with the first warm days of the California spring. In either place the birds are the embodiment of life. Gifted with long, splendidly proportioned wings, and sets of thick, stout muscles across the breast, they can hurl themselves through the air at a speed rivaling that of the famed teal duck.

Half the bandtails shot at on the wing are missed; and three-quarters of this half go scot free, not because the shooter has not estimated his distance correctly, nor allowed enough for their speed, but because the birds unless hit in a vital spot can carry away so much shot. In the Big Tejunga, up above the San Fernando valley, I have seen one of these pigeons, hit in midair with a charge of sixes, turn completely over and keep right on going, being brought down about two hundred yards further up the canyon by another hunter.

For experiment, the carcass of this bird was cut up by myself and another equally curious hunter. In the muscles were lodged twelve of those number six shot, and but for the fact that the thirteenth, presumably fired by the second man, had pierced the bird's heart, he probably would have been going yet.

When there was no law on the bandtails, and the duck season was over and the quail time still to come—I am writing this in May—the big blue fellows filled in an agreeable manner a barren niche in the twelve months' round of sports. To constant residents in the mountains they furnished an unending supply of game, and they can be kept going for years in a locality by careful shooting and the use of good judgment on the part of residents.

They certainly are an attractive addition to the avifauna of California mountains, and are the one bird which, along with the turkey vulture in the lowlands, are in no danger—imminent at least—of extinction. Perched in the branches of a pine or an oak tree they are practically invisible until the hunter passes directly under the tree. Occasionally—two

specific instances of this occurred in my experience—they will walk around a tree trunk much the same way that ruffed grouse are said to do in the East, keeping the trunk between themselves and the hunter, making no noise but refusing to fly.

To hunt such birds as these, of course, a dog is of but little use, unless it be to retrieve dead birds. And you can be assured that when you pull one of these bandtails out of the air with your load of sixes, he is dead enough to lie where he falls for all the rest of time, else he had never come to earth. The best way to hunt these pigeons—and I speak not so much from my own experience, which has been limited to a few weeks with them in all my shooting life, as from that of others whom I have known—is in company. Two can hunt bandtails better than one, and four can have better success than two. Beyond four, however, the party usually becomes unwieldy and the game is not as good as it can be made for the smaller party.

Coming up a canyon in the mountains, or going down some north slope, you will see a pigeon dip into a pine tree; presently you will make out three or four perched in the upper branches of the same tree. Carefully, like as you would stalk a blacktail or a mountain sheep or a feeding sage grouse, you creep up the canyon, keeping in the shelter of the slope or in the shadow of the pines. Not a stone rolls beneath your feet if you are lucky; not a twig cracks in your fingers as you put aside a branch here and there. Suddenly you stand within easy range. Up comes the old 12-bore—for you are after pigeons and a sitting shot is as good as any. Down the midrib you see one of the blue coated fellows sitting up in the bright light of the afternoon sun.

You press the trigger, and as the crack of the nitro rings out through the hills all the way from six to a hundred pigeons burst from the tree. You did not see them, not before you fired at any rate; quite probably they did not see you, but they were there all the same, and the way they got out of that pine tangle would have put a teal or a canvasback to shame in a minute. If your aim has been good, your load heavy enough and the lord of Chance on your side, your bird comes tumbling down out of the pine. Possibly he sticks up there a hundred feet from the ground on a pestiferous little branch no bigger than your finger, and you have to shoot him down or climb the tree, the latter of which is no cinch and generally puts some little crimp in your hunting legs for the remainder of the afternoon.

Flights of these pigeons are few and far between. A few such have come under my notice, however, but for the most part these were across small, low-lying valleys and the birds flew so high that nothing short of a rifle could reach them with killing force. Up around Newhall and over in the Simi valley there was at one time such a flight; whether it still maintains its customary quota of morning and evening bandtails, I do not know. In 1907 the best sport with the big pigeons was down in the San Diego county mountains, particularly around Fallbrook and Escondido.

In Lower California there are more of the bandtails than anywhere else in the world, and their feeding grounds in the interior of the peninsula are said to resemble those of the passenger pigeons in the old days in Minnesota and Ohio. Occasionally a tall, dead tree can be found, barren of leaves and from which can be obtained a view for miles around. Where such a tree stands in the line of flight of the bandtails a good bag generally can be picked from it by a hunter hid in the brush near by. For this sort of shooting, which is the best way for a man hunting alone to adopt, a small bore, .22 or .25-20 caliber, is the best arm to get the best results. The small rifle makes less noise than the shotgun; generally all the hidden hunter's shots will be at sitting birds, and he can make a clean kill practically every time he pulls the trigger.

One such tree at one time stood at the head of what is known as "Indian Canyon" in the San Fernando hills. It was a tall pine, guiltless of branches save for one which sprang from the naked trunk about three feet from the top and a good seventy feet from the ground. At a distance of about one hundred feet from the base of this old skeleton there was good cover on practically all sides. I was encamped with my father at his bee ranch in the bed of the canyon at this time, and I had the best pigeon shooting I have ever seen out of this old tree.

I used a .22 rifle, shooting long rifle cartridges, and any bird squarely hit by one of these little pellets of lead was as good as dead. Now and then one of them would fly a couple of hundred feet down over the canyon and then drop, but they all flew down and out, never up, and all were stone dead when they fell, so that I did not have such a difficult time getting them.

I imagine that the .25-20 rifle, using steel-jacketed bullets only so that they cut a clean hole and went right on through without tearing the bird to pieces, would be even a surer weapon for this game than the .22, but for these pigeons, along with nine-tenths of the other game of that part of the country, the small rifle (Remington or Winchester) is the prime weapon for the man who merely wants to kill enough to supply his needs and then quit, as every shooter should do.

The fear of man is ingrained more deeply in the bandtailed pigeon than in any other bird or mammal of the Southwest. This alone puts them at once in a class of hard creatures to hunt, and the man who can go out into the mountains and pick up a good bag of these birds must be given credit, not alone for knowing his hunting ground, but of being a mighty clever stalker at that.

During the breeding season, which begins late in May and runs through July, the bandtails travel in pairs; at other times of the year, notably after the first snowfall, they are to be found in bands of from half a dozen to several hundred, though flocks of the latter size are very rare. In the nesting season they retire to the higher mountains, frequenting such peaks as Waterman, San Gorgonio, San Bernardino, Wilson's, San Antonio, and Smith mountain in Southern California. Many are said to breed each season on Tehachapi Peak and around the headwaters of the Kern river. They are also numerous in the northern Sierra and Coast counties.

The nest itself is a rude platform of sticks, like that of the mourning dove only larger, and has little or no rim around it. This home is placed on the horizontal limb of a pine or an oak, in a crotch formed by vertical branches where possible. It is lined sparsely with bark fibres and a poorer cradle of finer sticks than those of which the outside is composed.

In this nest are laid two eggs, nearly equal ended and pure white, slightly smaller than those of the domestic pigeon but considerably larger than those of the mourning dove. The period of incubation is between two and three weeks, and the young when newly hatched are the same featherless ugly birdlings as are the young of the mourner. For many days they are fed by the parent birds by regurgitation—that is, the food is first swallowed, and then, when partially digested, is forced out of the mouth of the adults into the throat of the young pigeon. This is the common method of feeding all young pigeons and is as much the habit of the tiny Mexican ground doves as of the huge bandtails with which we are dealing.

Most of the food of these pigeons is made up of acorns; this gives to the flesh, except of the very young birds, a strong flavor, disagreeable to many. The meat itself is dark but fine grained, and when prepared in the ordinary manner is apt to be passed up even by the most enthusiastic hunter after one taste. If, however, the birds when picked and dressed are laid over night in strong brine, flavored with vinegar or lemon juice, they are as good broiled or in a pot as any bird on the hunter's list. Bandtail squabs are delicious, and for those who like squabs (which I class with tripe, kidneys, brains, young veal and other indelicacies of the human table), there is no game like the hunting of the nests of these birds and the taking therefrom of the squabs.

Once robbed the birds usually fall to work on another nest and raise a second brood, even though the young taken were almost grown. This tends to keep the bandtailed population up and to keep the pines and the oaks filled with the big active birds. Their call is deeper and more sonorous than that of the mourning dove, approaching in volume if not equalling that of the tame pigeon, and the hunter who goes to the mountains unacquainted with the bandtails, is apt to think on his first night or two out that he is not so very far from civilization and its attendant barnyards, after all.

With no more apparent reason than the oldtime flights of the passenger pigeon, flights of bandtails occur in certain portions of their range during almost every fall. But there is this difference between these California birds and the famed passengers: the former do not come in such large numbers, and their flights from the mountains to the oak flats and back again are very irregular.

GOOSE SHOOTING.

There is a keen bit of sport in California wild goose shooting that can not be equalled by any other goose shooting section in the country. Up the river near Rio Vista wild geese can be seen by the thousands. But the trick of bagging the wary birds is not an easy one for the ordinary sportsman and is an impossibility, almost, for the novice.

Shooting over live goose decoys and under the guidance of expert callers who are familiar with every angle of the game is indeed wildfowl sport worthy of trying.

The Church-Hanson preserve has a good reputation for this recreation. We call attention to the announcement on page 13 in this respect.

Pretty good results are reported for last Sunday in the Wingo waters. Joe Gabarino and Charley Reynaud picked up some small bass fishing here and there. Hannah and Holland had rather fine luck near Turkey Point, several fish, including a 30-pounder, was the take. "Kid" Berta and Felix Berta caught a limit of 5-pound bass near Rejstrom bay—evidently there was a school of small fish running there. Al Lindsay, Hugh Copeland and other Wingo regulars were also more or less successful.

Outside still fishing in Drakes bay rewarded Al Wilson with a big variety of green cod, capazoni, snappers and a salmon. The outside salmon run is about over, but few of the fish having been taken outside or in the bay the past week.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

At the Traps

Golden Gaters.—Among the participants in the blue rock trap shooting program of the Golden Gate Gun Club yesterday at West Alameda, the fair sex wae represented by shotgun devotees. Miss F. Bryant, shooting at clay birds for the first time, won the "ladies' trophy" offered by the Du Pont Company. Miss B. Rockwell was but three birds behind the winner in a 25-bird race. Mrs. A. Topperwein, the woman champion trap shot of the United States, broke a total of 97 out of 100 birds in the regular 25-bird races. Miss G. J. Meyers and Mrs. A. G. Wilkes smothered 77 and 75 birds, respectively, better scores than several of the sterner sex tallied. Miss Houghawout broke 14 out of 15 birds.

The exhibition of rifle, shotgun and revolver shooting by Mr. and Mrs. Ad. Topperwein was closely followed by over 400 spectators. The skilled twain of trigger-pullers did all sorts of difficult shooting—marbles tossed in the air were split by .22 rifle bullets, and other objects thrown up were demolished with an astonishing accuracy.

Toney Prior, Barney Worthen, Clarence Haight, A. G. Wilkes, Dick Reed, Lon Hawxhurst and other crack shots were put to their best efforts when Jack Fanning got the handtrap at work. Birds were sent at all kinds of angles, high and low, and fooled the best of them.

E. T. Prior, "a chip of the old block," won the men's beginners' trophy with the good score of 20 out of 25. W. Cavanaugh 17, W. Connolly 16, O. Lilleure 15, E. O. Kolt 11, C. J. Norton 10, were the other results in that event.

R. C. Reed missed a century run in the four 25-bird matches by losing one bird. Toney Prior won the Du Pont amateur trophy with the score of 97 out 100. Charley Knight, 96, and Barney Worthen 95, were next men up. H. W. Williams' string of four 23's was not only a bit of good shooting, but very consistent. N. A. Howard's 48 out of 50 was the best shooting in the 50-bird shooters. The summary of scores in four regular 25-bird races follows:

Birds—	25	25	25	25	100
B. H. Worthen	25	25	24	21	95
C. A. Haight*	18	22	22	18	80
H. M. Williams	23	23	23	23	92
Dick Reed*	25	24	25	25	[illegible]
Toney Prior	24	24	25	24	97
A. G. Wilkes	21	19	22	23	85
H. Stelling	18	20	23	21	82
Mrs. A. G. Wilkes	18	20	15	22	75
L. Hawxhurst	23	23	23	25	94
H. D. Swales	19	22	22	23	86
Miss G. Meyers	18	22	19	18	77
H. C. Peet	22	20	..	..	42
T. D. Riley	18	21	24	21	84
Landry	22	22	..	..	44
Brickell	17	20	..	..	37
Mrs. Ad. Topperwein*	25	23	24	25	97
C. H. Knight*	22	25	24	25	96
*Fred Willet	19	19	23	21	82
H. R. Phinney	20	21	22	21	84
N. A. Howard	23	25	..	..	48
Jack Fanning*	24	23	24	20	91
Dr. Sweeney	21	23	20	18	82
W. Eilert	18	19	23	23	82
Capt. Du Bray*	21	18	..	..	39
Miss Houghawaut	..	14	..	..	14
W. W. Terrill	..	20	..	23	45
F. Merrill	..	..	22	..	22
O. N. Jones*	18	17	18	23	76
E. F. Ward	10	12	13	15	50

*Professionals.

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Citrus Belt Traps.—The Vernon traps, near Los Angeles, are a drawing card for trigger pullers.

Thirty-eight shooters shot at over 3,000 targets at the regular weekly shoot of the Vernon Gun Club Sunday. The targets received rough treatment from some of the experts and the new beginners showed marked improvement, some of them having a good reason for feeling proud of their efforts. Baron von Ropp, one of the old-time shooting enthusiasts, broke his period of sixteen years' absence from the game and managed forty out of his fifty targets.

Tom Marshall of the Remington U. M. C. Company was a guest at the club, and showed that he was in good form by pulverizing his entire string of fifty clays. Each of his targets was absolutely wiped off the map, an exhibition that was beautiful and entertaining.

Billy Wilshire hung up a score of 49 out of 50 on the Stanton Bruner trophy. This gave him the win without dispute. Several other members, as the score will show, broke 48 out of 50 for second honors. This is the second win on the cup for Wilshire. One more such success and the cup is his.

An added attraction was a beautiful loving cup donated by R. L. Hall. This cup was contested for on the hundred targets of the program and brought out some very keen competition. When the smoke cleared away it was found that three ties was the result, 93 out of 100, the successful ones being L. J. McMurry, W. H. Wilshire and C. D. Hagerman. In the shoot-off it was necessary for Les McMurry to break 50 straight targets to cop the trophy. The scores follow:

	Birds	Bke.	Birds	Bke.	Birds	Bke.
A. W. Bruner	..	..	..	..	100	86
N. L. Hall	50	47	100	87	50	35
Geo. Oliver	50	35	100	89	50	45
D. E. Llewllyn	50	37	..	..	25	21
J. E. Davis	50	35	..	..	25	16
J. C. Percival	50	29	..	..	25	19
R. Bowers	50	15	..	..	25	8
H. A. Perk	50	31	..	..	25	11
A. S. McKinnon	50	35	..	..	25	8

J. J. Toussing	50	30	..	..	25	8
A. N. Van Nest	50	27	..	..	50	34
H. P. Burbank	50	22	..	..	25	12
L. J. McMurry	50	48	100	93	25	25
Wm. Pugh	50	39	100	87	25	20
C. B. Shipley	..	..	..	..	25	11
H. N. Jessen	50	31	..	..	25	16
B. A. French	50	22	..	..	25	14
J. D. Dierdoff	50	46	..	..	25	18
Geo. Keeny	50	38	..	..	25	17
J. J. Howell	50	31	..	..	25	17
W. H. Wilshire	50	49	100	93	25	24
C. D. Hagerman	50	48	100	93	25	22
W. Linderman	50	32	..	..	25	18
Mrs. C. E. Groat	50	45	..	..	25	18
J. O. Hollowell	50	28	..	..	25	14
Dr. Packard	50	47	..	..	25	23
Geo. Melford	50	48	100	87	..	..
C. E. Groat	50	48	100	83	100	95
H. L. Clark	..	..	..	..	25	8
O. Werner	..	..	..	..	25	8
Geo. Cline	50	43	..	..	..	..
C. J. Proud	..	..	..	..	75	55
J. L. Smith	..	..	..	..	25	15
P. C. Hurst	..	..	..	..	25	15
Tom Marshall	..	..	..	..	50	50
W. C. Clement	..	..	..	..	50	41
Ed. Hedderly	..	..	..	..	25	22

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Postponed Tournament.—Trap shooting tournament that was to be held at Tucson, Ariz., on Nov. 5, 6 and 7 has been changed to Phoenix on the 15th and 16th, during the Arizona State Fair. Practice day on the 14th inst. The merchants of Phoenix have subscribed over $500 for prizes to be shot for at the tournament.

THE FALL HUNTING SEASON OPENS.

With all indications pointing to one of the best hunting seasons in years, smokeless powder burners have been on the alert for that vibrant note in the air "when the goose honks high" and every man Jack of them was showing alarming symptoms of "mallarditis" or "sprigatellis." Decidedly disturbing maladies, if not properly attended to.

It is not an exaggeration to state that quite an army of shotgun enthusiasts, made up of local sportsmen, supplemented by a numerous contingent of fellow sportsmen hailing from the bay counties districts, central California and south of the Tehachapi, were on the anxious seat yesterday morning at sunrise, when the annual fall hunting season opened.

A continuance of favorable weather until the eagerly awaited morning when the marsh resorts of the wild duck and the upland quail coverts were at the option of the hunter, gave promise for great sport and many limit bags.

For weeks past members of hundreds of duck clubs have been preparing the annual welcome for the broadbill family. Clubhouses, shacks and arks have been put in commission, duckboats and skiffs have been overhauled and made water-tight, ponds baited and blinds prepared, decoys leaded and stringed, and a thousand and one things done that are necessary for success in the duck hunter's game.

Safe to say, all things going well, that the toll of wild ducks yesterday, today and tomorrow for central California alone, will total 500,000 if not more, to say nothing of what transpires at the southern coast duck shooting grounds or in Imperial valley—possibly the score may be doubled. When it is taken into consideration that over 160,000 hunting licenses have been taken out in this State and at least 60% of the license buyers will be out, on general average the figures here given are not wild.

From the duck-hunting sections reports are that birds are most plentiful. For several weeks past the advance guard of webfooted migrants have been observed coming down from the north and mingling sociably with the home-bred birds in many of the marsh and tule sections. In the Sacramento valley and in and about Butte, Glenn, Colusa, Yolo and Solano counties, there is plenty of water and feed, and fat ducks were there, waiting for the opening fusillade—in flocks of many thousands. Not only that, but geese have been arriving also in big flocks. Thousands of the cackling birds have recently flocked in the Butte creek hunting districts. They are beginning to show up farther south, too. Frank Merrill, an oldtime trap shot and duck hunter, stated last week that he saw big flocks of geese near Westley in Stanislaus county, which means that San Joaquin valley hunters will have an early crack at the solon family.

The Sacramento valley districts promise to be the main duck-hunting territory of Central California this year. This favored section will be the headquarters of numerous gun clubs this fall. A number of these organizations have only recently acquired hunting ground and arranged for the coming season. Mr. and Mrs. Fred K. Burnham, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Wilkes, Roy Avery and Tom Wilkes will open the season on their new preserve, so it is reported, near Live Oak, in Colusa county.

During the past summer, most of the duck hunting marsh land within easy reach of this city has been leased to or bought by gun clubs or individual sportsmen. Good shooting resorts have been at a premium and prices have been going up.

For some unknown reason the ducks deserted the lower districts of the Sacramento and San Joaquin tule sections, including Sherman island and that vicinity, up to last week. On Wheeler island, however, mallards have resorted by the thousands on the Sargent tract. A Chinese is the owner of 800 acres there and has been feeding the ducks and keeping the flocks there, awaiting the coming of Captain Jack Cleary and Frank McGrath. Down the San Joaquin valley the outlook is good in places. Birds are numerous where there is any water and feed. The reclaiming and drying up of the West Side country will improve the sport in other districts.

The Suisun marsh gun clubs are in line for phenomenal shooting—sprig, teal and mallard have made the marsh a headquarters for several weeks past. Green Lodge preserve, at Cygnus station, centrally located in the marsh, has a fifty-acre overflow pond that is in the line of flight for "all the sprigs in Christendom." This year, W. W. Richards, George W. Emmons, Horace Orear and Ben Woolner will shoot over the Green Lodge ponds.

The Alameda marsh gun clubs are also in favor for a grand opening shoot. Near Alvarado the fresh water ponds have been literally covered with mallard and sprig. In fact, all of the shooting resorts from Mount Eden down to Alviso are well stocked with birds.

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All of the old-time duck hunters who shot near Newark will remember the Willow Lodge Gun Club preserve—a noted duck shooting ground up to a decade ago. From then until last spring the annual duck crop has been light. Now, however, a change has taken place, something that promises to make the duck shooting fraternity of the coast sit up and take notice.

Charley Shaw, a former member of the California Wing Shooting Club and the Olympic Gun Club, took over the old duck preserve early this year. Furthermore, he has raised a big bunch of wild ducks, successfully and at an expense far less than the same number of tame ducks would cost. To cut a long story short, he has made a study of aquatic wild game farming. Early last May he received a shipment of 100 black duck eggs from a Connecticut establishment. This duck resembles a mallard; in fact, has the same note, is larger and swifter in flight. The black duck is a favorite bird with Eastern sportsmen, who, by the way, get most of their sport on black ducks from birds raised at breeding farms. He put the eggs in an ordinary chicken incubator; 85 eggs hatched out young black ducklings. The young ducks were then placed in a chicken brooder and brought along to sturdy and matured growth. Furthermore, every one of the 85 ducks are on his place at present. He also secured mallard eggs from the East, and had the same success in raising mallards. As a side experiment he raised several broods of bluebills this summer, all of which home-bred ducks are now at the Willow Lodge farm.

Meanwhile he sent for several different plants that wild ducks feed upon—the wapato, nut grass and fresh water eel grass. All this vegetation, under his care and attention, has grown bountifully, producing plenty of natural food for his own birds and visiting wild ducks.

At feeding time the quacking and splashing made by the domesticated wild ducks kicks up a commotion that attracts their roving cousins for miles around. He states that from 8 o'clock Thursday morning, last week, until 5 p. m., there was not a minute's interval between the arrival of single sprig and mallard ducks up to the small bunches or flocks. The ponds were alive with wild ducks that could not be driven away. Attempts to "jump" them only made the visitors take short flight and back in the pond again.

This, however, is merely illustrative. It may be prophesied with a great degree of certainty that within the next five years wild duck farms on a commercial basis will be paying business investments at proper localities in this State. Wild game raised in this manner can be sold under the Bowman act, and most profitably, too—provided one knows how to handle the young birds when hatched, a comparatively easy thing to do.

Wild rice as a duck food has a reputation second to no other vegetation. Many attempts have been made to grow the plant in this State. The matter of transplanting and cultivating wild rice is now no longer in an experimental stage. Shaw has made arrangements to secure a number of plants—plants, mind you—and claims he can grow the rice successfully.

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As for quail hunting, reports from every section are that the game valley quail have not been so plentiful for years. The hills and valleys bordering Livermore valley, for instance, are reported to be alive with the birds. The slopes on Mount Diablo, for the first time in many years, re-echo to the call of many quail. San Benito and Monterey counties are also well stocked with birds. The season has been very favorable, in fact, in almost every part of the State.

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The deer hunting season in this State came to a close Friday, October 15. There is no restriction, however, on bear hunting. Bruin is reported to be fairly plentiful in Shasta and Plumas counties.

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Cottontail rabbits will take the place of bucks from the 15th instant. The bunnies are also reported to be plentiful, particularly in the foothills along the San Mateo shore.

FISH LINES.

The trout angler has had splendid September weather and a kindly October aftermath. Streams have run down and cleared, and for the knowing rodster good fly-fishing sport has been the reward for a jaunt to a favorite fishing water. The Truckee river is still on the angling map; pleasing reports come from Boca, where C. H. Gardiner, Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Orr and other local anglers are at present. Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Osgood and Mrs. Osgood senior returned last week from that point. Mr. Osgood was enthusiastic in recounting the pleasing sport he enjoyed. The morning hours afforded fine fly-fishing. Minnows were the lure for success in evening fishing. The best fly patterns recently have been the willow, stone and beaverkill. Near Union Mill members of the San Francisco Fly Casting Club have also had good luck.

Reports from the McCloud river indicate that good trout angling conditions continue. Carlos G. Young found three-quarter pound and larger trout plentiful during a recent outing. William Ellery, John Ellery, Chris Ellery, Dr. A. J. Wiborn, Harry Blatchley and others are still on the river and getting nice baskets of trout daily.

Eel river offers a bit of inducement for steelhead anglers. Ira Dick sent down from Fernbridge to a friend last week a six-pounder and several smaller trout—samples of what the river is now offering.

Waddell lagoon on the Santa Cruz coast shore has been yielding fine steelhead trout fishing—the gray Palmer was the best killing lure. While many 5-inch or smaller trout were caught last week by Sam Wells and Al Hoffman—and rejected—there was a very acceptable catch of fish averaging 8 or 9 inches. The best time to fish was on a small low tide, in the lagoon below the bridge.

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Striped bass fishermen have been making fine catches recently, fishing from the South Vallejo breakwater. Good takes have also been the luck of anglers near the brick yard, the fish do not run heavier than 5 or 6 pounds, however.

Off the San Pablo shores during the recent pleasant weather many bass have been taken. E. H. Forestier and party one day caught 20, running from 3 to 9 pounds in weight. That stretch of shore is always good for bass when the weather is pleasant. At Rodeo, Friday last week, a number of bass were caught, one fisherman landing a 16 pounder.

The San Antone regulars were out in force a week ago Sunday. Pete Breen, E. Eecret, W. Burlingame, Charles Bond, Hugh Draper and others were more or less lucky.

Wingo visitors last Sunday had a good tide for their striped bass efforts; a 6-foot tide on the flood in the forenoon, slack water, and ebb early in the afternoon. Charles Urfer, George Fonge, Joe Gabarino and others were fairly lucky the previous week.

TRADE NOTES

Winchester Winnings.

Truly a "chip of the old block" is Elwood T. Prior, son of the well-known Toney, for in great style and snap he won the Du Pont Beginners' Trophy at the Golden Gate Gun Club on October 10, by breaking 20 clay pigeons out of 25. The veteran Toney defeated a large field of regulars by scoring 97x100 and also won the handsome trophy donated for high amateur. "Like father like son," both pinned their faith to Winchester factory loaded Leader shells—the "Red W" brand—the kind that won the official grand prize at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition.

There were many lady contestants at the Beginners' shoot and all profited by taking points from the world's champion lady shot, Mrs. Ad. Topperwein of San Antonio, Texas, who gave a wonderful exhibition by breaking 97 blue rocks out of 100. Mrs. Topperwein always uses a Winchester repeating shotgun and Winchester factory loaded shells.

Rem-UMC Notes.

Manning, Ga., was the scene of an interesting shoot recently. Elmer Hoffman, shooting a "perfect shooting combination," a Remington pump gun and Nitro Club shells, was high gun with a score of 183x200, while E. E. Breckenridge and G. A. Roeber, shooting the same brand of shells, tied for second high with scores of 178x200.

Quite a goodly number of shooters turned out for the Memphis (Tenn.) Gun Club shoot and competition was brisk in the trophy event. Geo. Schmidt, shooting Arrow shells, won the Class A cup, scoring 96x100.

C. L. Waggoner won a two day shoot at the Falls City (Nebr.) Gun Club. He shot Arrow shells, and made the excellent score of 386x400.

Chas. Douglas, using a "perfect shooting combination," Remington pump gun and Nitro Club shells, defeated 40 other enthusiasts at the Warsaw (Ind.) Gun Club recently. He broke 47 birds out of a possible 50.

Peters Points.

The 1915 Westy Hogans tournament, like its predecessors, resulted in some notable victories for users of Peters ammunition. Mr. Woolfolk Henderson, known the country over as the winner of the four chief amateur trapshooting events in 1914, was high amateur, breaking 493 ex 500 targets. He also won the John Philip Sousa trophy for high score, 100 straight, on trap No. 1; the Double Target Championship, 86 ex 50 pair; tied for first place in the Westy Hogans Championships, 98 ex 100; second in the Atlantic City Cup race, 147 ex 150.

Mr. Allen Heil of Allentown, Pa., won third amateur average for the entire tournament, 485 ex 500; the Shanley Trophy on trap 2, 99 ex 100; and the Dupont 18 yard championship, 97 ex 100.

HONEYWOOD COMES TO NEVADA STOCK FARM

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stood at the top of the leading stallions for last year, and will undoubtedly be in a similar position at the close of this season. Honeywood is the last offspring of his dam, Honey Bird, who died the year he was foaled. She was a half-sister to that fine stayer, the 1904 Cesarawitch winner Margrave, as well as to Maid of the Mint, the dam of the 1906 Derby Spearmint, one of the best horses to run in England during this century; while all followers of racing in the eighties remember what a brilliant performer was Friar's Balsam, the sire of Honey Bird, Mother Siegel (dam of the Derby winner Minoru), and many other successful matrons. The Figure System I have no faith in, but for the benefit of those interested therein I may mention that Polymelus comes from No. 3 family and Honey Bird of No. 1 family. I understand that Mr. M. P. Guilliams purchased Honeywood on behalf of Mr. George Wingfield, the proprietor of the Nevada Stock Farm, Reno, Nevada, and that the horse will not be let out. It was Mr. S. Joel's wish that the colt should remain in this country to take part in the Cambridgeshire, for which he offered a contingency on the purchase price; but Mr. Guilliams could not accede to this, as he was anxious to get the horse to his new home as early as possible.

FITTING CATTLE FOR THE SHOWRING.

The showring of our national, state and other important fairs is the greatest opportunity presented to the public to study and compare the capabilities of cattle when developed and brought before them in their finished form.

Encouraged by very complete classifications and liberal prize money and the everlasting inducement of winning the coveted blue and purple ribbon, breeders at the larger shows are now putting up a magnificent exhibit of their chosen breeds. Much credit is due the breed associations, which have materially augmented the prize lists by generous appropriations of money, in order to induce a large and meritorious exhibit and incidentally help pay expenses, which is no small item to the show man.

At this time it may be interesting to offer a few hints, gained by practical experience, in regard to picking out the young calf for showring honors and carrying it on to maturity. Breeders who expect to exhibit their cattle should plan to have the calves born as near Sept. 1 and Jan. 1 as possible because these dates have been adopted on which to base the age of an animal in the younger classes. Those calves born in the fall are best left with their mothers on pasture for the first month or two and then brought up to the barn and the training commenced. By this time the youngsters should have straightened out into shape, and you can do some guessing as to which are going to make winners. Discard those that do not show promise of future excellence and select the calf with level lines, good back and rib, good broad head, legs straight and well set on each corner, mellow hide and good coat of hair, and having the appearance of a good "doer." You can also be somewhat guided by the outcome of former calves from the same dam, although possibly by a different sire.

For the first three months milk should be the main food, developing a stomach that can later on digest the more concentrated foods. Do not get a calf grain-sick at the start, but feed easily, gradually increasing the allowance. Let them learn to nibble at a little grain scattered in a box, ground medium fine, just as soon as they will, and give them a chance at a little clean bright hay. They will soon learn to eat a little and get to chewing the cud, and this will help to develop the stomach. A good digestion is absolutely necessary. Without it the animal will never make a success. It will not stand the crowding and is liable to go back on the feeder just when it should be at its best. Give me the kind that practice "watchful waiting" when the feed pans begin to rattle. They are always ready for the next meal and do not question what the mixture is, just so it is something to eat.

When about 3 months old the calf should be getting all the milk it will suck. If the mother has not sufficient use a nurse cow in addition. Milk is its natural food and the cheapest, and should be continued until it is twelve months old or longer if necessary. However, the older show calves might be weaned after returning home from the fall fairs, as by that time they are well able to eat and digest enough hay and grain and do not miss the milk after a little while. Keep your bull and heifer calves separate after they get to be 3 or 4 months old; they will do better. Do not feed corn too freely. Crushed oats, bran, a little corn chop, oil meal, clover or alfalfa hay, or other good hay and all the milk they want will make a fat calf if it is of the right kind.

Plenty of exercise is important. It creates an appetite and keeps the blood circulating and the system generally in good order. A small paddock for them to run in, handy to the barn, and a little grass to nibble at, is ideal for the calf. Let them run out day and night until the hot weather comes, when they are better in the barn during the day and out at night.

Make friends with your calves and gain their confidence. Never abuse them because they will not suck when you want them to. They will be back on the job at the next opportunity. Suckle twice a day and feed at regular hours and see that the cows are milked out clean if the calves do not take it all.

Break your calves to lead when they are small. It is much easier on the man and better for the calf, so when fair time comes you do not have to break in a lot of big calves, but just put a halter on them and go ahead. It is also advisable to spend a little while before leaving home teaching the calf to stand under halter and to know what is expected of it. A good actor always captures the eye of the judge and may help to steer a blue ribbon in your direction.

Careful feeding is necessary to carry a ripe calf on to maturity or into the yearling class. After the cattle have returned home from the shows the older calves may be weaned and reduced to two feeds a day with more freedom to induce them to exercise and promote growth and muscle, as they must acquire more frame on which to put more fat as they grow older. Feed liberally but avoid crowding at this time or your animal will be done before next fair time comes around. Give them the run of a pasture. The grass will cool out the system and help to counteract any bad effects from previous heavy feeding. During the winter the aim should be to promote weight in growth and not so much fat, and in the spring when you commence to shove them along you will have more size on which to build and your animal will take on condition quickly. A bad feeder is a sore disappointment. Some are naturally so, some made so by overfeeding. When an animal is doing well, let well enough alone and do not be tempted to see how much the animal could eat and thus spoil the whole business. After being overfed once it is an easy matter to get them off again and it takes some time to undo the damage that may have resulted.

Cleanliness about the barn is essential, especially so with the young calves. A good clean straw bed disinfected at least once a week should be provided and a close watch kept for lice and other vermin which will infest a calf in a little while. A washing now and then during the summer with an application of some good dip all over the body will keep the skin and hair in nice shape and kill all lice. This will apply to the older show cattle equally as well as to the calves.

To secure bloom on the cattle, they must first of all be in a thriving healthy condition. The old dead hair must be worked out by washing and currying. This will stimulate the new hair to grow and it will come in soft and thick. Some cattle naturally have heavier coats of hair than others and of better quality, but it is the curly silky thick coat of hair with a mellow hide beneath it that is a delight to the hand of the breeder and judge. Such a combination denotes quality of a high order.

The feet must be well looked after and kept in shape so that the animal can stand squarely on them and not on the heel. The older cattle especially need attention in this respect. Feet allowed to grow out of shape are not only an eye sore but the animal is in more or less pain all the time and cannot walk properly. These points must all be considered before success in the show ring can be assured.

The older members of the show herd should also have a lay off for awhile after returning from the circuit. Cut their feed down gradually to two feeds a day and give them the run of a pasture and some grass. They will be much benefited by the exercise and cooling out. The greatest gains in weight from one year to another is naturally in the younger cattle. After an animal is three or four years old and has been well developed it is near its weight limit and cannot be expected to gain much after that time. The younger cattle, however, may show an increase in weight of from 400 to 800 pounds in one year, governed somewhat by age and sex.

In shipping show cattle do not overload the car. Bed down heavily with straw and allow each animal space enough to lie down comfortably. Feed and water and suckle the calves as regularly as possible. The first shipment is generally the hardest on cattle. After that they become used to traveling. Never get excited loading and unloading, but handle the cattle quietly and do not "cuss" the old nurse cow because "she gets in the way all the time." The old "skate" has considerable to do with her foster sons and daughters winning those ribbons and is entitled to a kind word.

On arriving at your destination get the cattle unloaded and into well bedded stalls as soon as possible. Give them a little hay to nibble at and leave them alone for awhile. They will all lie down and rest. Then offer them water just enough to take the edge off their thirst. They can have more later. Do not attempt to give a full feed right away, such as they were eating before leaving home. Begin with one-half the amount and after they are well rested you can soon get them to eating a full allowance. Make your animals as comfortable as possible in the stalls. Tie them so they can lie out full length if they want to. Exercise them every morning the first thing; it keeps them active on their feet and they enjoy it after being tied up.

Show days are busy ones. Have your candidates looking their best. Dress them up to the best advantage. Go in to the showring determined to win if possible, but if defeated take your medicine like a man. There is another day coming and maybe you will win out next time.—Claude H. Makin in Breeders' Gazette.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

AWARDS IN BREEDING CLASSES.

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Section 10—Reserve Champion Mare: Dinarth Gem, Geo. A. Heyl.

WELSH PONIES.

Exhibitors—G. A. Heyl, Washington, Ill.; Mrs. Adam Stirling & Son, Des Moines, Iowa; C. E. Bunn, Peoria, Ill.

Section 1—Stallion, four years old or over: (1) Gwindy Duke, G. A. Heyl; (2) Rob Roy, Mrs. Adam Stirling & Son.

Section 2—Stallion, three years old: (1) Gwindy True Blue, G. A. Heyl; (2) Eclipse, Mrs. Adam Stirling & Son.

Section 3—Stallion, two years old and under three: (1) Gwindy Sparkle, G. A. Heyl; (2) Lord Lofty, Mrs. Adam Stirling & Son; (3) Star of Peoria, C. E. Bunn.

Section 4—Stallion Foal: (1) Gwindy's Revelation, G. A. Heyl.

Section 5—Mare, four years old or over: (1) Bess, C. E. Bunn; (2) Llwyn Rosebud, (3) Fickle, Mrs. Adam Stirling & Son; (4) Bird, (5) Lucinda, (6) Nell, C. E. Bunn.

Section 6—Mare, three years old: (1) Gwinygoe Girl, C. E. Bunn; (2) Coquette, Mrs. Adam Stirling & Son.

Section 7—Mare, two years old: (1) Dinarth Fancy, G. A. Heyl; (2) Saffron, C. E. Bunn; (3) Lorena, Mrs. Adam Stirling & Son.

Section 8—Filly Foal: (1) Gwindy's Arbutus, G. A. Heyl.

Section 9—Senior Champion Stallion: Gwindy True Blue, G. A. Heyl.

Section 10—Reserve Senior Champion Stallion: Gwindy Duke, G. A. Heyl.

Section 11—Junior Champion Stallion: Gwindy Sparkle, G. A. Heyl.

Section 12—Reserve Junior Champion Stallion: Gwindy's Revelation, G. A. Heyl.

Section 13—Senior Champion Mare: Bess, C. E. Bunn.

Section 14—Reserve Senior Champion Mare: Gwinygoe Girl, C. E. Bunn.

Section 15—Junior Champion Mare: Dinarth Fancy, G. A. Heyl.

Section 16—Reserve Junior Champion Mare: Gwindy's Arbutus, Geo. A. Heyl.

Section 17—Grand Champion Stallion: Gwindy True Blue, G. A. Heyl.

Section 18—Reserve Grand Champion Stallion: Gwindy Duke, G. A. Heyl.

Section 19—Grand Champion Mare: Dinarth Fancy, G. A. Heyl.

Section 20—Reserve Champion Mare: Bess.

Section 21—Get of one sire: (1) C. E. Bunn for get of Prince Cardill (Bess, Bird, Nell); (2) Mrs. Adam Stirling & Son for get of Criterion (Coquette, Morningstar, Eclipse); (3) G. A. Heyl for get of Gwindy Brennen (Gwindy True Blue, Gwindy's Arbutus, Gwindy's Revelation).

Section 22—Produce of one dam: (1)C. E. Bunn, for produce of Gwindy Wren (Bird, Nell); (2) Mrs. Adam Stirling & Son for produce of Sunshine (Morningstar, Coquette); (3) Mrs. Adam Stirling & Son for produce of Llwyn Robina (Rob Roy, Lorena).

Section 23—Stud (stallion and three mares): (1) Mrs. Adam Stirling & Son for Rob Roy, Fickle, Rosebud, Coquette; (2) C. E. Bunn for Star of Peoria, Bird, Nell, Bess; (3) G. A. Heyl for Gwindy True Blue, Foregate Polly, Dinarth Fancy, Gwindy's Arbutus.

SHETLAND PONIES.

Exhibitors—Geo. A. Heyl, Washington, Ill.; Chas. E. Bunn, Peoria, Ill.; Mrs. Adam Stirling & Son, Des Moines, Iowa; Ina M. Richter, Santa Barbara; T. S. Simpson & Sons, Aurora, Ill.

Section 1—Stallion, four years old or over: (1) King Larigo, Geo. A. Heyl; (2) Louish, (3) Grandee, Chas. E. Bunn; (4) Truant, Mrs. Adam Stirling & Son; (5) Bobby, Ina M. Richter.

Section 2—Stallion, three years old and under four: (1) Sensational Larigo, Geo. A. Heyl; (2) Radiant, (3) Regent, Chas. E. Bunn.

Section 3—Stallion, two years old and under three: (1) Larigo's Perfection, (2) Duke Larigo, Geo. A. Heyl; (3) Sattellite, (4) Spruce, Chas. E. Bunn.

Section 4—Stallion, one year and under two: (1) The Climax, Chas. Bunn; (2) Larigo's Triumph, Geo. A. Heyl.

Section 5—Stallion Foals: (1) Alniqur, Chas. E. Bunn; (2) Larigo's Image, Geo. A. Heyl; (3) Pine Crest Billy, Ina M. Richter.

Section 6—Mares, four years old and over: (1) Princess Larigo, Geo. A. Heyl; (2) Golden Rod Fedalma, Ina M. Richter.

Section 7—Mares, three years old and under four years: (1) Vergie Larigo, Geo. A. Heyl; (2) Quapho, Chas E. Bunn.

Section 8—Mares, two years old and under three: (1) Orvetta Larigo, Geo. A. Heyl; (2) Spring Song, Chas. E. Bunn.

Section 9—Mares, one year and under three: (1) Maple Leaf Larigo, Geo. A. Heyl; (2) Theolita, Chas. E. Bunn.

Section 10—Shetland Filly Foals: (1) Larigo's Primrose, Geo. A. Heyl; (2) Uzell, Chas. E. Bunn; (3) (Foal), Geo. A. Heyl; (4) Bramhope Model, T. S. Simpson & Sons.

Section 11—Senior Champion Stallion: King Larigo, Geo. A. Heyl.

Section 12—Reserve Senior Champion Stallion: Locust, Chas. E. Bunn.

Section 13—Junior Champion Stallion: Perfection Larigo, Geo. A. Heyl.

Section 14—Reserve Junior Champion Stallion: Duke Larigo, Geo. A. Heyl.

Section 19—Grand Champion Stallion: King Larigo, Geo. A. Heyl.

Section 20—Reserve Grand Champion Stallion: Locust, Chas. E. Bunn.

Section 23—Geo of one sire: Get of King Larigo (Perfection Larigo, Duke Larigo, Princess Larigo), Geo. A. Heyl; (2) Get of Prince of Wales (Grandee, Locust, The Climax), Chas. E. Bunn; (3) Get of King Larigo (Sensational Larigo, Vergie Larigo, Orvetta Larigo), Geo. A. Heyl; (4) Get of Grandee (Ovilta, Quapho, Unique), Chas. E. Bunn.

Section 24—Produce of one dam: (1) Produce of Lolita (Ovilta, Theolita), Chas. E. Bunn; (2) Produce of Loleita H. (Larigo's Perfection, Larigo's Tryumph), Geo. A. Heyl; (3) Produce of Lemon Leaf (Vergie Larigo, Maple Leaf Larigo), Geo. A. Heyl; (4) Produce of Nanine (Spring Song, The Climax), Chas. E. Bunn.

Section 25—Stallion and three mares, any age: (1) King Larigo, Princess Larigo, Orvetta Larigo, Pearl, Geo. A. Heyl; (2) Grandee, Ovilta, Quapho, Theolita, Chas. E. Bunn; (3) Perfection Larigo, Vergie Larigo, Maple Leaf Larigo, Larigo's Primrose, Geo. A. Heyl; (4) Locust, Spring Song, Uzell, Bramhope Model, Chas. E. Bunn.

Section 26—Stallion and three mares, all two years old or over, bred by exhibitor: (1) King Larigo, Vergie Larigo, Princess Larigo, Orvetta Larigo, Geo. A. Heyl; (2) Grandee, Ovilta, Quapho, Spring Song, Chas. E. Bunn.

Section 15—Senior Champion Mare: Princess Larigo, Geo. E. Heyl.

Section 16—Reserve Senior Champion Mare: Vergie Larigo, Geo. A. Heyl.

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Section 21—Grand Champion Mare: Princess Larigo, Geo. A. Heyl.

Section 22—Reserve Grand Champion Mare: Orvetta Larigo, Geo. A. Heyl.

THE FARM

WHEAT SMUT CONTROL.

Wheat growers in this country not infrequently experience serious losses caused by preventable diseases. Wheat is preyed upon by a number of parasitic fungi, three of which are classed as smuts. Two of these smuts are common pests in the wheat fields of North America; the other, commonly known as flag smut, is thus far unknown to this continent, though it is fairly common in Australia and certain other parts of the world where wheat culture has been in progress for centuries.

Of the two smuts, bunt or covered smut of wheat, sometimes referred to as stinking smut, is found wherever wheat is grown, sometimes resulting in losses to the farmers of the United States of $20,000,000 or more annually. Not infrequently fields planted to untreated seed and giving promise of yielding 30 or 40 bushels per acre of good wheat will produce a crop of covered smut amounting, in some cases, as as much as 40 to 60 per cent of the crop.

This smut disease is caused by a parasitic fungus which attacks the growing wheat plant before the first leaf appears above ground. Once inside the attacked seedling it continues its growth, and by the time the wheat begins to head the diseased plants produce a crop of smut. If we examine the heads of such a plant we find, instead of normal wheat grains, only a lot of smut balls. In other words, the materials produced by the living plant for the purpose of building up sound wheat grains have been consumed by the parasite in forming its masses of smut spores which finally occupy the exact position in the wheat heads that would have been filled by the kernels had they been allowed to develop. These smut balls consist of nothing but millions of spores inclosed in each case by a thin enveloping membrane. When the smut balls are crushed the spores give off an odor not unlike that of herring brine. The liberated spores become attached to the seed, which, if planted without previous treatment, may produce another crop of smutted wheat.

But or covered smut of wheat is one of the most easily prevented of any of the cereal diseases. The following procedure is recommended: Run all seed wheat through a fanning mill in order to blow out the unbroken smut balls. This being done, the grain should be soaked 10 minutes in a solution consisting of 1 pound of commercial formalin (obtainable at nearly all drug stores) added to 40 gallons of water. The seed thus treated is next allowed to drain and is then piled on the floor and stirred frequently until sufficiently dry to sow. If during the process the kernels have swollen very much, the drill should be set to sow a little thicker, else the quantity sown per acre will be less than was intended.

Recent experiments have shown that in certain sections of the country the soil of a field producing a crop of smutted wheat this year may harbor smut spores to cause the appearance of smut in next year's crop if the field be reseeded to wheat. This sometimes occurs where smut is very bad, in spite of the planting of treated seed, and shows that in such localities crop rotation should be practiced in addition to seed treatment. Bunt or covered smut of wheat attacks no other cereal crop, but other cereals have their own smut diseases.

The other wheat smut occurring in this country, known commonly as loose smut, is not so serious as bunt, although it probably produces an average loss of three-fourths of 1 per cent of the total wheat crop of the country. Loose smut may be prevented by treating the seed by the Jensen hot-water method or some modification of it.

The Jensen method consists in soaking the seed for 10 to 15 minutes in hot water at a temperature of 132 degrees to 133 degrees F. It is highly important that the water shall not rise over 135 or fall below 130 degrees. A temperature below this will not kill the smut, while a temperature too high may affect the germination of the seed. The grain, after treatment, should be immediately spread out to dry. If it can not be spread at once, it should be dipped into cold water to cool and spread as soon as possible.

It is an important function of live stock on the farm to furnish a market for the crops grown, enabling farmers to convert the grasses, forage crops, legumes, and so on, into higher-priced finished products and to return to the soil the plant food taken from it.

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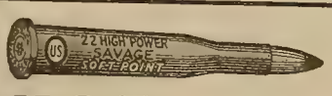
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Ruby Crellin, by C. the Limit 2:03¼, dam La Moscovita (dam of Bon Guy (3) 2:11¾, etc.) by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼, and filly foal by Robert Bingen 2:11¼; in foal to Robert Bingen.

Maggie Hall by Moko, dam Maggie Yeazer (dam of Walnut Hall 2:08¼, etc.) by Red Wilkes; in foal to Robert Bingen.

Peter's Queen, b m (4) by Peter the Great 2:07¼, dam Sonoma Queen 2:25, trial 2:10½ (full sister to Sonoma Girl 2:04¼); this mare can show half in 1:06 now, quarter in :32, and will trot in 2:10 this fall; she is one to buy to race and breed.

Decoratio by Prince Ansel, dam Magella B. (dam of 3) by Nushagak.

Princess Josie by Prince Ansel, dam Josie D. (dam of Joseph Ansel (3) 2:12¾, etc.,) by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½.

Princess Viola by Prince Ansel, dam Viola by Gen. Benton.

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The Attraction by Peter the Great 2:07¼; filly at foot by True Kinney 2:12¼.

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Two-year-old filly by The Bondsman, dam Rosemary 2:25 by Raymon 2:27¼; nicely broken as a yearling, since when she has been on pasture.

Blanca S. (5) by Red McK. 43766, dam Katherine A. by Diablo 2:09¼; a show mare, never trained for speed.

Katherine A., brood mare by Diablo 2:09¼, dam by A. W. Richmond.

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Black mare, five-year-old, by Oh So 2:25½, and two of her produce, an unbroken two-year-old by Directly 2:03¾ and a weanling by Vernon McKinney 2:01½. Right all around.

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Belle Demonio, b m, foaled 1911, by Demonio Wilkes 2:09¼; dam Jessie M., tr. 2:22½ (dam of Hal J. 2:09¼ and Della H. 2:10) by Del Norte 12895. This filly was cut on the wire fence, otherwise she was as promising as her full sister and brother Della H. and Hal J. Any one wanting a nice young broodmare should find himself well suited with this one.

From E. A. SWABY, Dixon:

Roan mare (6) by San Francisco 2:07¾, dam Birdie (dam of Bodaker 2:13) by Jay Bird 5060; grandam Lady Lyle by Geo. Wilkes 2:22. Bred right, handsome, 16 hands, 1100 lbs., a trotter, sound, gentle for road use and broken to ride. You will like her.

From T. D. SEXTON, Oakland:

Lucretia Bond (3), br f by The Bondsman, dam Lucretia 2:13¼ by Nazote 33527 (full brother to Azote 2:04½), grandam Lucyneer by Electioneer 125. Here is a nice filly for someone, a little beauty and making speed every day. It is safe to say that she will show better than a twelve gait by the day of sale. Don't overlook her.

From HENRY B. SMITH, Pleasanton:

Della H. 2:10 by Hal B. 2:04½ (sire of Hay Boy 2:01¼ and many others), dam Jessie M. trial 2:22 by Del Norte 2:08. Della H. is a full sister to Hal J. 2:09¼ and is too well and favorably known to need comment here. Only two years ago she was unbeatable through the California circuit and she is still just as good. Only the lack of local classes for her puts her on the market.

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MEETINGS TO COME

CALIFORNIA AND ARIZONA POINTS.

SAN FRANCISCO (P.-P. I. E.).....Oct. 30-Nov. 13
PHOENIX (Arizona State Fair).....Nov. 15-20

PACIFIC COAST HORSE SHOWS.

While Madison Square Garden has long been accepted as the real home of the American horse show, and its success and popularity have been active stimulants to the very many shows which have come into flourishing existence in the eastern section of our country, the recent affair at the exposition has proven beyond doubt that there can be built up on this coast a great premier show, with its attendant circle of minor events, that need grant precedence to none in the matter of popularity, the quality of its entrants, or the brilliance of its setting. The east has the best of us in several respects to begin with, owing especially to its more densely populated centers, and to its greater numbers of men and women of wealth and leisure, but it cannot produce better horseflesh or more devoted friends of his equine majesty than do we.

Numbers of successful shows have been held on the coast, either independently or in connection with leading fairs, and an organized effort on the part of show promoters and exhibitors would undoubtedly result in the firm establishment of a series of fixed events, to be held annually. The time is ripe, and the proper concerted action of all interested parties should be taken without delay. The horse show has become one of the leading and most pleasing features of the California state fair; in the Canadian cities of Victoria and Vancouver there is a deep and abiding love for the show horse; Seattle, Tacoma, Portland and Spokane are all "receptive candidates"; Los Angeles would favor an annual show of proper "class" and character; the Tournament of Roses, the one great celebration of the season at Pasadena, has the horse as the foundation upon which its popularity is built; the charity horse show held last winter in this city drew crowds that overran the capacity of the Riding and Driving Academy, and the exposition show was a genuine revelation.

This publication, whose every effort for over thirty years has been devoted to the furtherance of the interests of the horse, pledges its unreserved support to the promotion of a series of horse shows on this coast, whether day or night affairs, society shows or utilitarian exhibits, and will be pleased to have friends of the movement make use of its columns. We ask that horse lovers everywhere use our columns for the presentation of their views, assuring them of our best wishes and heartiest co-operation at any and all times.

LAST CALL FOR WOODLAND SALE.

For the last time we wish to remind breeders and campaigning horsemen of the fall sale at Woodland Stock Farm which is to be held next Monday, October 25, at the farm in Woodland, as the offerings to be made are of a most desirable quality from every standpoint. The farm commends them to the public without reserve, feeling every confidence that each individual sold will prove a source of satisfaction and profit to the new owner.

It is a matter of regret that the present outlook for the future of the trotting horse on this coast is not brighter, for in the Woodland consignment are any number of youngsters, futurity candidates, brood mares of note and some prospects for early racing that under conditions formerly existing here would bring fabulous prices. Think what a wellbred mare ready to trot in 2:10 would bring if things were "right" in the racing business, and then go bid on Peter's Queen, for she looks fit to take east where racing is good. No sire has achieved a success equal to Peter the Great's, and no broodmare has a record like that of Carrietta 2:18, and in the weanling filly resulting from the mating of these two the farm is offering one of the kind that comes only once in a lifetime. She is straight and sound, nicely grown, with extensive engagements both here and in the east, so that her buyer will have "protection" and her earning capacities as a juvenile performer will have fullest play.

Then, too, there are a number of close relationship to Mary Putney (3) 2:05½, the three-year-old sensation of the closing weeks of the present season, and others similar in breeding to Woodland Stock Farm's yearling champions, Verbena Ansel (1) 2:22 and Anselot (1) 2:28½, both of whom sold at Lexington during the trots for excellent prices. Only by a perusal of the catalog can an adequate idea of the various individuals be gained, and this booklet may be obtained upon request to this office, to Auctioneer William Higginbottom, 297 Valencia street, San Francisco, or to Manager Dowling at the farm. Yearlings and developed prospects will be shown in harness so bidders may see for themselves just how they "put 'em down," and every horse, young or old, is guaranteed exactly as represented. The round trip to the sale from bay points may be made in one day without inconvenience, and we most respectfully urge your attendance. Failure to be among those present may cause you future regrets.

THE WESTERN HORSEMAN FUTURITY.

Some years ago The Western Horseman, of Indianapolis, inaugurated a futurity that was "something new" in regard to conditions, the initial number meeting with a gratifying popularity that resulted, eventually, in the permanent establishment of the stake under slightly modified but yet extremely generous conditions. It is for three-year-olds only, the purse being divided eighty-five per cent for trotters and thirty-five per cent for pacers, and its racing forms one of the main attractions of the Indiana State Fair. The present number for foals of mares bred this year (foals of 1916 to race in 1919) has an estimated value of $10,000, and closes on Monday, November first, with an initial payment of only one dollar. Eleven dollars carries entry to the year of the race, and the event, whose detailed conditions appear elsewhere, is in every way worthy the patronage of our western breeders.

RURAL CREDITS SYSTEM ENDORSED.

The Farmers' Protective League of California is urging the adoption of Amendment No. 5, whereby the State is authorized to establish a rural credits system, and is opposing Amendment No. 9, which removes the present constitutional safeguards as to taxation and permits the Legislature to enact tax laws without referring them to the people for a vote.

At the preliminary hearings of the State Rural Credits Commission, recently appointed by the Governor, among the witnesses present were prominent members of the Farmers' Protective League, notably Frank B. McKevitt, who is president of the organization. Others who gave testimony were Geo. S. King, Hon. Alden Anderson, J. L. Nagle, E. A. Gammon, and others, all of whom gave cogent reasons why the state should lend its aid to settlers.

In opposing Amendment No. 9, which is Senate Constitutional Amendment 38 the central organization of the League is responding to the wishes of the various country organizations. Farmers generally do not see the reason for authorizing the abolishment of the existing system in advance of providing another taxation method, especially in view of the fact that Governor Johnson has only recently appointed the Commission to investigate the taxation problems in California. The last legislature appropriated $75,000 for this purpose.

The League submitted Amendment No. 9 to each of the thirty-two local organizations in the state and the decision was overwhelmingly against its adoption.

HORSE BUYERS TO GATHER HERE.

Something tells us—and it wasn't a "little bird" that did it, either—that more horsemen and horse buyers are going to be brought together in this city during the exposition trots than have been assembled at any one point on the Pacific coast for many, many moons, and Charles L. DeRyder has taken advantage of this auspicious circumstance for the staging of his annual fall sale of light harness horses. The Kentucky sales at Lexington during the course of the trots have always been attended with the most abundant success, and as the ranks of home buyers at the forthcoming local sale will be augmented by the presence of many from the central west and east, the prices received should reach a higher level than those attained by any recent western sales.

The feature consignment of the sale will, of course, be that from Pleasanton Driving Park, which will contain a number of most desirable racing prospects. The complete list of offerings from the MacKenzie stable has not as yet been announced, but the advance notices of the same include several that should cause some very spirited competition among bidders in search of something to take to the races and earn some money with. Especially attractive are the pair of trotters presented in Astro Harvest and The Earnest, the former a daughter of the world's champion trotting stallion, The Harvester 2:01, and the latter a gelded son of L. E. Brown's good speed sire, The Exponent. This lad was too full of "pep" as a stallion, and after castration was slow in rounding to, so that no effort was made to prepare him for racing this season. The after effects of his operation have entirely disappeared and he is fit to shape for any company. The Exponent has never sired a faster foal, as he has worked in 2:07¾ and has trotted a half in one minute on the end of a slow mile. He is right on his dam's side, being out of the good producer Mardella by Del Mar. The Harvester mare is a nice big five-year-old, from a stout maternal line, and has given evidence of her quality by negotiating the full route at Pleasanton in 2:09½, with the final fractional parts in 1:02¾ and :30.

Vernon McKinney 2:01½ is not only the fastest of the McKinney family, but those in the know have no hesitation in recommending him as a speed sire, as his youngsters are showing most favorably. The MacKenzie bunch to be sold contains one of his oldest foals, a four-year-old gelding out of a mare by Diablo 2:09¼, grandam Geraldine 2:16¾ (dam of Leata J. 2:03, etc.), that has every appearance of being "the goods." Certainly he is "bred fast," and he is fast, having worked in 2:12, 1:02½, :30 as a three-year-old. Having no futurity engagements he was never strung out in his previous training, and as he is sound and free legged he is a very desirable sort of a pacer. The reliability of Mr. MacKenzie's "owners' statements" has been proven in many ways—by Spriggan 2:08¼, for instance, among others—and these are presented as "right," while numerous other lots from various owners measure high in quality.

Mr. DeRyder is due home this week—has probably arrived before this is in print—and further consignments and the exact location and date of the sale will be announced in our number of October 30.

PAYMENT DUE ON 1915 FOALS.

Breeders who have entries in Pacific Breeders' Futurity Stakes Number Fifteen, for foals of this year, must bear in mind that payment number three, five dollars, becomes due on Monday, November first, and should be made promptly to F. W. Kelley, Sec., P. O. Drawer 447, San Francisco. This number of the series is to be raced in 1917 and 1918 when entrants therein are two and three years of age, portions of the stake being set aside for trotters and pacers of both ages. No colt at present eligible to the event should be allowed to drop out, and brood mare owners who failed to patronize the stake originally and now find themselves possessed of well bred, promising weanlings may provide engagements for the same by taking advantage of the stake's substitution clause. A number of substitutions are available and may be procured through the secretary. The list of entrants is not large, and an investment in a nomination at this time may prove the means of assuring a generous return in the future.

Every season there is fresh and positive demonstration of the value of futurity engagements for trotting bred colts, and when an engagement can be so economically secured as in this stake it becomes merely a business precaution to make entries.

Awards in Breeding Classes

P.-P. I. E. HORSE SHOW

In the Breeder and Sportsman of October 16 there was published the list of awards in the breeding classes of Standard Trotters, Thoroughbreds, Arabians, Morgans, Percherons, Jacks and Jennets, Hackneys and Welsh and Shetland ponies. Herewith we present the awards in the classes for Saddle Horses, Shires, Belgians and Clydesdales, the two numbers together forming a complete record of the results of the judging of the breeding classes.

SADDLE HORSES.

Exhibitors—Miss Loula Long, Kansas City (Longview Farm, Lee's Summit, Mo.); Adelaide S. Gillis, Los Angeles; Revel Lindsay English (Sierra Vista Stock Farm), Chino, Cal.; E. D. Moore, Columbia, Mo.; Bridgford Company, San Francisco, Mrs. E. P. Riggle, El Centro, Cal.; Mrs. Charlotte B. Anderson, Oakland; Martha Freeman, Los Angeles; F. J. Bork, Sawtelle, Cal.; John E. Marble, Los Angeles; Thornberry & Shropshire, Los Angeles; Mrs. W. C. Ralston, San Francisco; Dr. W. J. Smyth, Oakland; John S. Bryan, Hollister, Cal.

Section 1—Stallion, four years old or over: (1) My Major Dare, Miss Loula Long; (2) Don Castano, Adelaide S. Gillis; (3) Imperious King, Miss Loula Long; (4) King of the Highlands, Revel Lindsay English; (5) Majestic McDonald, E. D. Moore; (6) Highland Monarch, Adelaide S. Gillis.

Section 2—Stallion, three years old and under four: (1) Comedian, Revel Lindsay English.

Section 3—Stallion, two years old and under three: (1) LeGrand McDonald, Bridgeford Co.; (2) San Vicente, Adelaide S. Gillis; (3) Midnight Dare, Miss Loula Long; (4) Rigolette, Mrs. E. P. Riggle; (5) Weissinger's Chief, Mrs. Charlotte B. Anderson.

Section 4—Stallion, one year old and under two: (1) Missouri's Premier, Miss Loula Long; (2) California's Best, Bridgford Co.; (3) Monarch Dare, Martha Freeman; (4) Tourist Peavine, Revel Lindsay English; (5) Goldie Rex, F. J. Bork; (6) Cochise, Revel Lindsay English; (7) Pablo, John E. Marble.

Section 5—Stallion Foal: (1) I'll Show U, Miss Loula Long; (2) Gold of Ophir, Mrs. E. P. Riggle; (3) San Marcos, Revel Lindsay English.

Section 6—Mare, four years old or over: (1) My Idol, E. D. Moore; (2) Undine, Adelaide E. Gillis; (3) Hilda, (4) Maurine Fisher, Miss Loula Long; (5) Benita P., John E. Marble; (6) Katherine Grigsby, Miss Loula Long; (7) Helen Idlewood, Revel Lindsay English.

Section 7—Mare, three years old and under four: (1) Mavis, Thornberry & Shropshire; (2) Honda, John E. Marble; (3) Virginia Mayla, Miss Loula Long; (4) Razzle Dazzle, Thornberry & Shropshire; (5) Butterfly Dare, E. D. Moore; (6) Benicia, John E. Marble; (7) Undulata Annie, Mrs. W. C. Ralston.

Section 8—Mare, two years old and under three: (1) Peg O' My Heart, Dr. W. J. Smyth; (2) Alice Queen, Miss Loula Long; (3) Bellmarrillis, (4) Hazel Simmons, Revel Lindsay English.

Section 9—Mare, one year old and under two: (1) Rexie Dare, Miss Loula Long.

Section 10—Filly Foals: (1) Major's Hilda, Miss Loula Long; (2) Santa Monica, Adelaide S. Gillis; (3) Candy Girl, Dr. W. J. Smyth; (4) Lillie Bell, Bridgford Co.; (5) Edith Ames, (6) Glorianna MacDonald, Revel Lindsay English; (7) Santa Ynez, Adelaide S. Gillis.

Section 11—Senior Champion Stallion: My Major Dare, Miss Loula Long.

Section 12—Reserve Senior Champion Stallion, Don Castano, Adelaide S. Gillis.

Section 13—Junior Champion Stallion: Le Grand McDonald, Bridgford Co.

Section 14—Reserve Junior Champion Stallion: San Vicente, Adelaide S. Gillis.

Section 19—Grand Champion Stallion: My Major Dare, Miss Loula Long.

Section 20—Reserve Grand Champion Stallion: Don Castano, Adelaide S. Gillis.

Section 15—Senior Champion Mare: My Idol, E. D. Moore.

Section 16—Reserve Senior Champion Mare: Mavis, Thornberry & Shropshire.

Section 17—Junior Champion Mare: Peg O' My Heart, Dr. W. J. Smyth.

Section 18—Reserve Junior Champion Mare: Major's Hilda, Miss Loula Long.

Section 21—Grand Champion Mare: My Idol, E. D. Moore.

Section 22—Reserve Grand Champion Mare: Mavis, Thornberry & Shropshire.

Section 23—Get of one sire: (1) Get of Prince Arthur (Honda, Benicia, Bonita P.), John E. Marble; (2) Get of Don Castano (California's Best, Santa Ynez, Goldie Rex), Adelaide S. Gillis; (3) Get of Rex McDonald (Helen Idlewood, Comedian, Greyhurst), Revel Lindsay English; (4) Get of My Major Dare (Midnight Dare, Rexie Dare, Major's Hilda), Miss Loula Long; (5) Get of Highland Squirrel King (Edith Adams, Highland Lucia, Cochise), Revel Lindsay English.

Section 24—Produce of one dam: (1) Produce of Pasadena (Bonita P., Benicia), John E. Marble; (2) Produce of Undine (San Vicente, Santa Ynez), Adelaide S. Gillis; (3) Produce of Cracker Jack (Tarna Denmark, Gold of Ophir), Mrs. E. P. Riggle; (4) Produce of Livia (The Marshall, San Marcos), Revel Lindsay English; (5) Produce of Black Belle (Candy Kid), Bridgford Co.; (6) Produce of Black Bess (Cousin Sue, Peter Pan), John S. Bryan.

Section 25—Stud (stallion and three mares): (1) My Major Dare, Hilda, Maurine Fisher, La France, (2) Imperious King, Katherine Grigsby, Virginia Mayla, Alice Queen, Miss Loula Long.

SHIRES.

Exhibitors—Easton & Ward, Burlingame, Cal.; Henry Wheatley, Napa, Cal.; Truman's Pioneer Stud Farm, Bushnell, Ill.; Wm. Crownover, Hudson, Ia.; Jack London, Glen Ellen, Cal.; A. C. Ruby, Gresham, Ore.; A. G. Soderberg, Osco, Ill.; Bridgford Co., San Francisco.

Section 1—Stallion, four years old and over: (1) Boro Blusterer, (2) Stow Royalty, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm; (3) Anwick Arthur, Easton & Ward; (4) Dunchurch Baronet, Wm. Crownover; (5) Neuadd Hillside, Jack London; (6) Harboro Combination, Henry Wheatley; (7) Blymhill Forester, Easton & Ward.

Section 2—Stallion, three years and under four: (1) Royal Patch, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm; (2) Blackhawk Barn King, Easton & Ward; (3) Nailstone Boxer III., A. C. Ruby; (4) Wrydelands Surprise III., Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm; (5) Witchford Albert, Easton & Ward; (6) Salvador Forest King, Henry Wheatley; (7) Blackhawk Victor Chief, Easton & Ward.

Section 3—Stallion, two years and und three: (1) Royal Friar II., (2) Royal Moors, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm; (3) Columbia Model, A. C. Ruby; (4) Eureka Menestrel, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm; (5) Sylvia King, A. G. Soderberg; (6) Paramount Milton, Wm. Crownover.

Section 4—Stallions, one year and under two: (1) Forage Premier, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm; (2) George B., A. C. Ruby; (3) Blackhawk Gay Lad, Easton & Ward; (4) Servens' Hengist, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm; (5) Blackhawk Minstrel, Easton & Ward; (6) Carranga, A. C. Ruby.

Section 5—Stallion Foals: (1) Salvador Conqueror, Wheatley; (2) Blackhawk Mystery, (3) Blackhawk Rung, O Bells, (4) Blackhawk Rising Star, Easton & Ward; (5) Salvador Banker, Henry Wheatley.

Section 6—Mares, four years and over: (1) Beeby Judy, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm; (2) Flowford Daisy III., Easton & Ward; (3) Normandy Sweet Briar, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm; (4) Wallington Sunbeam, A. G. Soderberg; (5) Quanea Diamond, Easton & Ward; (6) Lady Redlynch, Henry Wheatley; (7) Pelham Queen II., Bridgeford Co.

Section 77—Mare, three years and under four: (1) Eastern Manners, (2) Eureka Diamond, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm; (3) Blackhawk Blossom, Easton & Ward.

Section8—Mare, two years and under three: (1) Hawton Bounce, (2) Blackhawk Beauty, Easton & Ward; (3) Salvador Queen, Henry Wheatley; (4) Wrydeland's Queenie, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm; (5) Salvador Champion Princess, Henry Wheatley; (6) Osco Lilly, A. G. Soderberg; (7) Fanny Fern, A. C. Ruby.

Section 9—Mare, one year and under two: (1) Salvador Headlight, Henry Wheatley; (2) Blackhawk Chessie, Easton & Ward; (3) Osco Lady II., A. G. Soderberg.

Section 10—Shire Filly Foals: (1) Wallington Princess, A. G. Soderberg; (2) Victoria Gem, Bridgford Co.; (3) Blackhawk Delphine, Easton & Ward.

Section 11—Senior Champion Stallion Boro Blusterer, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm.

Section 12—Reserve Senior Champion Stallion: Royal Patch, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm.

Section 13—Junior Champion Stallion: Royal Friar II., Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm.

Section 14—Reserve Junior Champion Stallion: Forage Premier, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm.

Section 15—Senior Champion Mare: Eastern Manners, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm.

Section 16—Reserve Senior Champion Mare: Beeby Judy, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm.

Section 17—Junior Champion Mare: Hawton Bounce Easton & Ward.

Section 18—Reserve Junior Champion Mare: Blackhawk Beauty, Easton & Ward.

Section 25—Stallion and three mares, any age: (1) Boro Blusterer, Eastern Manners, Beeby Judy, Normanby Swee Briar, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm; (2) Anwick Arthur Hawton Bounce, Blackhawk Beauty, Flowford Daisy Easton & Ward; (3) Friar II., Eureka Diamond, Lady Leo, Wrydeland's Queenie, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm (4) Blackhawk Barn Beauty, Quanea Princess, Hawtor Felicity, Blackhawk Blossom, Easton & Ward; (5) Sylvia King, Wallington Sunbeam, Osco Lily, Osco Lady II. A. G. Soderberg; (6) Salvador Forest King, Lady Redlynch, Salvador Queen, Salvador Headlight, Henry Wheatley; (7) Blymhill Forester, Rampton Mabel, Lightsome Blackhawk Chessie, Easton & Ward.

Section 26—Stallion and three mares, two years old and over, bred by exhibitor: (1) Sylvia King, Osco Lily, Osco Lady II., Wallington Princess, A. G. Soderberg.

Section 27—Best five stallions of any age: (1) Boro Blusterer, Stow Royalty, Royal Patch, Friar II, Forage Premier, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm; (2) Anwick Arthur, Witchford Albert, Blackhawk Victor Chief, Blackhawk Barn King, Blymhill Forester, Easton & Ward; (3) Nailstone Boxer II., Woodrow Wonder, Columbia Model, Carranga, George B., A. C. Ruby.

Section 28—Best three mares, any age, owned by exhibitor: (1) Eastern Manners, Beeby Judy, Normanby Sweet Briar, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm.

Section 28A—Reserve best three mares, any age, owned by exhibitor: Hawton Bounce, Blackhawk Beauty, Flowford Daisy, Easton & Ward.

Section 19—Grand Champion Stallion: Boro Blusterer, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm.

Section 20—Reserve Grand Champion Stallion: Royal Friar, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm.

Section 21—Grand Champion Mare: Eastern Manners, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm.

Section 22—Reserve Grand Champion Mare: Hawton Bounce, Easton & Ward.

Section 23—Get of one sire: (1) Get of Anwick Arthur, Group B. (Gay Lad, Blackhawk Beauty, Blackhawk Chessie), Easton & Ward; (2) Get of Nailstone Boxer (Nailstone Boxer II., George B., Fanny Fern), A. C. Ruby; (3) Get of Anwick Arthur, Group A (Blackhawk Mystery, Blackhawk Delphine, Blackhawk Minstrel), Easton & Ward..

Section 24—Produce of one dam: (1) Produce of Hollyhurst Blend (Nailstone Boxer II., George B.), A. C. Ruby; (2) Produce of Maryshall Lady Keith (Eureka Menestrel, Eureka Diamond), Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm; (3) Produce of Lightsome (Blackhawk Beauty, Blackhawk Mystery), Easton & Ward; (4) Produce of Rampton Mabel (Blackhawk Chessie, Blackhawk Delphine), Easton & Ward; (5) Produce of Hawton Felicity (Blackhawk Blossom, Blackhawk Gay Lad), Easton & Ward; (6) Product of Quanea Diamond (Blackhawk Minstrel, Blackhawk Ring O' Bells, Easton & Ward; (7) Produce of Violet (Salvador Queen, Salvador Banker), Henry Wheatley.

CLYDESDALES

Exhibitors—James Van Etta, Lima Center, Wis.; South Bros., Orion, Ill.; A. G. Soderberg, Osco, Ill.; John Painter, Salem, Ore.; H. Lefebure & Sons, Fairfax, Ia.; Kansas State Agricultural College, Manhattan, Kas.; O. H. Brandt, Shellville, Cal.; W. V. Hixson, Marengo, Ia.; C. W. Bowers, Davis, Cal.; Francis D. Buck, Ripon, Cal.

Section 1—Stallion, four years old and over: (1) Charter Oak, James Van Etta; (2) Osco Captor, South Bros.; (3) Come Again, (4) Butterfield, A. G. Soderberg; (5) Massasoit, John Painter.

Section 2—Stallion, three years old and under four: (1) Enterprise Pride, South Bros.; (2) Scottish Mint III., H. Lefebure & Sons; (3) Bobbie Burns, A. G. Soderberg; (4) Baron Montague, Kansas State Agricultural College; (5) Famous, John Painter.

Section 3—Stallion, two years old and under three: (1) Hope's Pride, A. G. Soderberg; (2) King's Emblem, James Van Etta; (3) William Woodmac, A. G. Soderberg.

Section 4—Stallion, one year old and under two: (1) Baron's Prince, A. G. Soderberg; (2) Alworthy Baron, (3) King's Baron, James Van Etta; (4) Buster, John Painter.

Section 5—Stallion Foals: (1) Merbra, (2) Sir Lovat, O. H. Brandt.

Section 6—Mare, four years old and over: (1) Lady Caliph, James Van Etta; (2) Winsome Princess, A. G. Soderberg; (3) Marjorie, James Van Etta; (4) Jean Morrison, (5) Lady Marcus, O. H. Brandt; (6) Pride of Avalon, James Van Etta.

Section 7—Mare, three years and under four: (1) Lady Stewart, W. V. Hixson; (2) Osco Beauty, A. G. Soderberg; (3) Mona, (4) Una, (5) Madge, John Painter.

Section 8—Mare, two years and under three: (1) Osco Darling, A. G. Soderberg; (2) King Norman's Beauty, South Bros.; (3) Lovely Lass, A. G. Soderberg; (4) Honora, James Van Etta.

Section 9—Mare, one year and under two: (1) Colantha, A. G. Soderberg; (2) The Queen, James Van Etta; (3) Jasamine, A. G. Soderberg; (4) Trilby, C. W. Bowers.

Section 10—Filly Foals: (1) Enterprise Queen, South Bros.

Section 11—Senior Champion Stallion: Charter Oak, James Van Etta.

Section 12—Reserve Senior Champion Stallion: Enterprise Pride, South Bros.

Section 13—Junior Champion Stallion: Baron's Prince, A. G. Soderberg.

Section 14—Reserve Junior Champion Stallion: Hope's Pride, A. G. Soderberg.

Section 15—Senior Champion Mare: Lady Stuart, Francis D. Buck.

Section 16—Reserve Senior Champion Mare: Osco Beauty, A. G. Soderberg.

Section 17—Junior Champion Mare: Osco Darling, A. G. Soderberg.

Section 18—Reserve Junior Champion Mare: King Norman's Beauty, South Bros.

Section 19—Grand Champion Stallion: Charter Oak, James Van Etta.

Section 20—Reserve Grand Champion Stallion: Baron's Prince, A. G. Soderberg.

Section 21—Grand Champion Mare: Lady Stewart, H. V. Hixson.

Section 22—Reserve Grand Champion Mare: Osco Beauty, A. G. Soderberg.

Section 23—Get of one sire: (1) Get of Baron's Hope, Group A (Osco Beauty, Baron's Prince, Osco Darling), (2) Get of Baron's Hope, Group B (Come Again, Bobbie Burns, Hope's Pride), A. G. Soderberg; (3) Get of King Norman (King's Emblem, King's Baron, The Queen), Jas. Van Etta; (4) Get of Rosemac (William Woodmac, Lovely Lass, Colantha), A. G. Soderberg; (5) Get of Massasoit (Famous, Madge, Mona), John Painter.

Section 24—Produce of one dam: (1) Produce of May Palmerston (Lady Caliph, Lady Stewart), W. V. Hixson; (2) Produce of Saucy Kate (Osco Beauty, Baron's Prince), (3) Produce of Dagmar's Lass (Lovely Lass, Majesty's Darling), A. G. Soderberg; (4) Produce of Beauty's Maid (King Norman's Beauty, Enterprise Queen), South Bros.; (5) Produce of Hazel Ingelow (Madge, Juanita), (6) Produce of Pansy Ingelow (Famous, Buster), John Painter.

Section 25—Stud, stallion and three mares, any age: (1) Baron's Prince, Osco Darling, Osco Beauty, Winsome Princess, A. G. Soderberg; (2) Charter Oak, Marjorie, Lady Caliph, Una, James Van Etta; (3) Come again, Lovely Lass, Jasamine, Colantha, A. G. Soderberg; (4) Massasoit, Juanita, Madge, Mona, John Painter.

Section 26—Stud, stallion and three mares, all two years



A GATHERING OF DRAFTERS OF VARIOUS BREEDS IN THE P.-P. I. E. FORUM

ld or over, owned by exhibitor: (1)Baron's Prince, Osco Beauty, Osco Darling, Winsome Princess, A. G. Soderberg; (2) Famous, Juanita, Mona, Madge, John Painter.

Section 27—Group, best five stallions, any age, owned by exhibitor: (1) Come Again, Butterfield, Hope's Pride, William Woodmac, Baron's Prince, A. G. Soderberg; (2) Charter Oak, Scottish Mint III., King's Emblem, Alworthy Baron, King's Baron, James Van Etta.

Section 28—Groups, best three mares, any age, owned by exhibitor: (1) Osco Beauty, Osco Darling, Winsome Princess, A. G. Soderberg; (2) Lady Caliph, Marjorie, Ina, James Van Etta; (3) Juanita, Madge, Mona, John Painter.

BELGIANS.

Exhibitors—Wm. Crownover, Hudson, Iowa; H. Lefebure & Sons, Fairfax, Iowa; C. W. Bowers, Davis, Cal.; A. C. Ruby, Gresham, Ore.; James Edson, Carlton, Ore.

Section 1—Stallion, four years old and over: (1) Farceur (7332), Wm. Crownover; (2) Jules Remi, H. Lefebure & Sons; (3) Monarqile de Heurne, C. W. Bowers; (4) Cesar D'Olsene, A. C. Ruby; (5) Farceur (7906), H. Lefebure & Sons; (6) Clarion, (5) Farceur (7906), H. Lefebure & Sons; (8) Zolla de Mellot, Wm. Crownover.

Section 2—Stallion, three years and under four: (1) Marquis, H. Lefebure & Sons; (2) Imperial, A. C. Ruby.

Section 3—Stallion, two years old and under three: (1) Bethel, Wm. Crownover; (2) Reme de Fosteau, (3) Jules Remi, H. Lefebure & Sons.

Section 4—Stallion, one year old and under two: (1) Stevenot, C. W. Bowers; (2) Harold, A. C. Ruby; (3) Jules Remi, H. Lefebure & Sons; (4) Villa, A. C. Ruby.

Section 5—Stallion Foals: (1) Paramount Rabi, Wm. Crownover; (2) (Foal), H. Lefebure & Sons.

Section 6—Mare, four years old and over: (1) Anna du Balcan, (2) Paula de Lens, H. Lefebure & Sons; (3) Civette, Wm. Crownover; (4) Abbisse, James Edson; (5) Bell, A. C. Ruby.

Section 7—Mare, three years old and under four: (1) Janette, H. Lefebure & Sons; (2) Juno, A. C. Ruby; (3) Anette, H. Lefebure & Sons; (4) Dyle, A. C. Ruby.

Section 8—Mare, two years and under three: (1) Radieuse, H. Lefebure & Sons; (2) Juliet, (3) Mariette, A. C. Ruby.

Section 9—Mare, one year and under two: (1) Lista, (2) Salome, (3) Dinette, (4) Rosette, Wm. Crownover; (5) Radieuse, H. Lefebure & Sons.

Section 10—Filly Foals: (1) Paramont Lola, Wm. Crownover; (2) Nonette, H. Lefebure & Sons.

Section 11—Senior Champion Stallion: Farceur, Wm. Crownover.

Section 12—Reserve Senior Champion Stallion: Jules Remi, H. Lefebure & Sons.

Section 13—Junior Champion Stallion: Bethel, Wm. Crownover.

Section 14—Reserve Junior Champion Stallion: Stevenot, C. W. Bowers.

Section 19—Grand Champion Stallion: Farceur, Wm. Crownover.

Section 20—Reserve Grand Champion Stallion: Jules Remi, H. Lefebure & Sons.

Section 15—Senior Champion Mare, three years old or over: Anna Du Balcan, H. Lefebure & Sons.

Section 16—Reserve Senior Champion Mare: Paula de Lens, H. Lefebure & Sons.

Section 17—Junior Champion Mare: Lista, Wm. Crownover.

Section 18—Reserve Junior Champion Mare: Salome, Wm. Crownover.

Section 21—Grand Champion Mare: Anna Du Balcan, H. Lefebure & Sons.

Section 22—Reserve Grand Champion Mare: Lista, Wm. Crownover.

Section 23—Get of one sire: (1) Get of Farceur (Lista, Salome, Dinette), Wm. Crownover; (2) Get of Marquis de Pouly (Marquie, Janette, Anette), H. Lefebure & Sons; (3) Get of Farceur (Rosette, Paramount Lola, Paramount Bolder), Wm. Crownover; (4) Get of Fortin (Harold, Juno, Juliet), A. C. Ruby; (5) Get of Jules Remi (Remi de Fosteau, Jules II., Radieuse), H. Lefebure & Sons.

Section 24—Produce of one dam: (1) Produce of Quimperlette (Lista, Paramount Bolder), Wm. Crownover; (2) Produce of Radieuse 145 (Radieuse 4, Radieuse 4217), H. Lefebure & Sons; (3) Produce of Civette (Salome, Paramount Lola), Wm. Crownover; (4) Produce of Jeanne de Soheit (Juno, Juliet), A. C. Ruby; (5) Produce of Rosette (Marquis, Gold Coin), H. Lefebure & Sons.

Section 25—Stud (stallion and three mares): (1) Farceur, Liata, Rosette, Salome, Wm. Crownover; (2) Jules Remi, Anna du Balcan, Paula de Lens, Betta, (3) Clarion, Janette, Anette, Radieuse, H. Lefebure & Sons; (4) Cesar D'Olsene, Juliet, Juno, Dyle, A. C. Ruby.

Section 26—Stud (stallion and three mares, all two years old or over, bred by exhibitor): (1) Marquis, Janette, Anette, Radieuse, H. Lefebure & Sons.

Section 27—Best five stallions, any age, owned by exhibitor: (1) Jules Remi, Clarion, Farceur, Charmante, Marquis, H. Lefebure & Sons; (2) Garnament, Cesar D'Olsene, Castor, Imperial, Harold, A. C. Ruby.

Section 28—Best three mares, any age, owned by exhibitor: (1) Anna du Balcan, Paula de Lens, Janette, H. Lefebure & Sons; (2) Lista, Rosette, Salome, Wm. Crownover; (3) Juliet, Juno, Dyle, A. C. Ruby.

FRANK WHISENAND PASSES ON.

Every horseman and caretaker who has wintered or raced at Pleasanton in the course of the last several years, as well as very many other Californians, knew and liked Frank Whisenand and will be pained to know that they will never greet him again, death having claimed him on October 11 in Oakland, to which city he and his family had moved only a short time ago. While he himself was not actively engade in either breeding or racing he was a warm admirer of the trotter and took a great deal of interest in their doings and fraternized with horsemen to a considerable extent. His place of business was headquarters for the Pleasanton colony outside of working hours, and he lent an ever ready ear to a "hardluck story" and a helping hand to its teller. He will be greatly missed from the winter evening gatherings, and the sympathy of a wide circle of men who have known and valued his friendship is extended to his family.

ANSELILA TAKES STANDARD RECORD.

Recent advices from Hunter Moody tell of another good Prince Ansel yearling trotter, Anselila, who was so much liked by all horsemen some time ago and was then retired from training. She rounded to nicely from a slight setback and last Thursday at Lexington, back in training less than thirty days, she took a record of 2:27¾. She is without doubt one of the fastest of all yearling trotters and will be heard from in days to come.

One Big Day at Los Angeles Speedway

Los Angeles, Oct. 19.—Los Angeles may not have many "speed programs" these days, but when she does have one she has a real one. All summer there has been a lot of speed on tap at Exposition Park, and today when a little record meeting was given the boys fairly burned up the track from fence to fence and wire to wire. seven miles being trotted or paced from 2:03½ to 2:10 and a number of youngsters going into the list with a bump, fourteen horses in all acquiring new records. Trainer Railey Macey was the leading speed dispenser of the afternoon and his pupils of the International 1:55 Stable gave ample evidence of the benefit of their summer's schooling. Judith Patch (2), Dazzle Patch's initial performer who won a record of 2:25 in June at the exposition, paced in 2:21¼ and Mary E. Patch trotted in 2:12¾. Macey then began his real rides, marking the three-year-old Agnes Patch, winner of the exposition stake for the age, in 2:09½, Buzz Patch in 2:09½ and another three-year-old, Drift Patch, in 2:10. The star of the day was the bay horse Power Patch, who distinguished himself by pacing in 2:03½, becoming thereby the fastest of the get of Dan Patch 1:55¼. It was a great performance, and the lad is entitled to be great, his dam being the grand old queen of the halfmile tracks, Effie Powers 2:08¼. Macey and his stable have made a world of friends for the Savage Farm during the summer and their performances today were warmly applauded.

William G. Durfee, as per usual, was there with the goods, but confined his activities mostly to young things. The Lark became a new 2:10 performer for Carlokin 2:07½ and Subito by trotting in 2:09½, and two two-year-olds were added to the standard list of the same good sire by the baby trotters Carleta (2) 2:20¾ and Hermes (2) 2:16¼. Manrico's son, Rico, also a two-year-old, paced for Will in 2:12¼ and Miss Bond (2) trotted in 2:17½. The latter is by The Bondsman and out of the blind mare Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon, owned by Ryan & Webster of Pleasanton.

Baronteer Todd added to the laurels of his dead sire by pacing in 2:09¼ for J. H. Torrey, and Ted Hayes had a fine ride in 2:08½ behind that gamecock young trotter, Bon Courage. Zomrest's mile in 2:12¼ at the trot for J. G. Baker brought the day to a close. The judges were Dr. A. D. Hubbell, Wm. Loftus, J. S. Nickerson; timers, Chas. Nickerson, L. E. McLellan and Frank Williams, E. J. Delorey doing the starting. Day and track were ideal and the crowd a generous sized one. The summary:

Los Angeles, Oct. 19—To beat 2:25 pacing:

Judith Patch, b f (2) by Dazzle Patch—Hal Raven by Hal B. ..... (R. W. Macey) 2:21¼

To beat 2:16¼ trotting:

Mary E. Patch, b m (7) by Dan Patch—Prelissa by The Prelate ..... (Macey) 2:12¾

To beat 2:20½ pacing:

Agnes Patch, b f (3) by Dan Patch—Louise Hersey by Arion ..... (Macey) 2:09½

To beat 2:12 pacing:

Buzz Patch, bl m (4) by Dan Patch—Heloise Grattan by Grattan ..... (Macey) 2:09½

To beat 2:09¼ pacing:

Power Patch, b h (5) by Dan Patch—Effie Powers by Anderson Wilkes ..... (Macey) 2:03½

To beat 2:20 pacing:

Drift Patch, b h (3) by Dan Patch—May Drifton by Drifton B. ..... (Macey) 2:10

To beat 2:17½ trotting:

The Lark, b m (4) by Carlokin—Subito by Steinway ..... (W. G. Durfee) 2:09½

To beat 2:30½ trotting:

Carleta, b f (2) by Carlokin—Alexandria by Bon Voyage ..... (Durfee) 2:20¾

Hermes, b c (2) by Carlokin—Miss Quealey by Moko ..... (Durfee) 2:16¼

To beat 2:25¼ pacing:

Rico, ch c (2) by Manrico—Pavlowa B. by Petigru ..... (Durfee) 2:12¼

To beat 2:30¼ trotting:

Miss Bond, b f (2) by The Bondsman—Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon ..... (Durfee) 2:17½

To beat 2:25¼ pacing:

Baronteer Todd, br h (9) by Todd—Bon Bon by Baron Wilkes ..... (J. H. Torrey) 2:09¼

To beat 2:12¾ trotting:

Bon Courage, ch g (4) by Bon McKinney—Helen Keyes by Sidney Dillon ..... (Ted Hayes) 2:08¼

To beat 2:30¼ trotting:

Zomrest, bl h by Zombro—by Direct .. (J. G. Baker) 2:12¼

GOOD SPORT AT PETALUMA.

San Francisco makes frequent shipments of "chicken" horses to Petaluma, but the bunch that paid a flying visit to the egg and squab center last Sunday was of an entirely different kind, as it was composed of the majority of the trotters and pacers that have furnished sport on Sunday afternoons through the summer at the Stadium and exposition tracks. Members of the San Francisco-California Driving Club went up almost to a man, accompanied by a large delegation of friends, and the Petaluma folks paid them the compliment of turning out in large numbers to witness the races. Kenilworth Park was the scene of the inter-city strife, the racing being under the auspices of the club from this city. Santa Rosans failed to materialize, leaving San Francisco, Marysville and Petaluma horses to scrap it out, with the former having the best of the fray.

Happy Dentist was the only warrior able to put it over in straight heats, the old veteran hauling Freddie Lauterwasser two trips in even 2:10 time, Dick W. and Little Bernice taking turns in endeavoring to put salt on his tail. Victor Pointer, King Pointer and Mabel Dillon each found eggs in the nest when they made their rounds, but Victor's culled bunch graded a little better than that gathered by the others, putting him in line for the trophy. Agnes Carter stayed at home, and with her out, St. Patrick annexed the free-for-all trot. Frances S. trotted second in the first heat, won the second, but put both front feet in the egg basket in the third, finishing last.

The 2:20 mixed class was well mixed for heat-winners, Cookey taking the first, Ateka the second and Tramp the third, Ateka standing best by virtue of having been twice second. In the Petaluma road race Richard and Dan Healey indulged in an unbrotherly battle with Billy T. and Silver Logan, the former taking two out of three and the trophy.

The going was none too good and the time made by Happy Dentist stood out as the feature of the day. In the absence of Jimmy Ryan, Bert Edwards manipulated the starter's megaphone in a very pleasing manner. Everybody had a good time but the occasion was marred by one "unfortunate" occurrence. Someone started a dastardly rumor that Petaluma's water was veritably laden with typhus germs, especially deadly to visitors from bay points. This caused considerable anxiety among the strangers and caused the water to be practically barred as a beverage, though useful for other purposes. However no deaths from thirst were reported, as all arrived home safe and sound. The day in detail follows:

2:18 pace:			
Victor Pointer ..... (D. W. Keating)	2	4	1
King Pointer ..... (H. Campodonico)	3	1	4
Mabel Dillon ..... (B. Cohen)	1	5	5
Jack ..... (McDonnell & Conlan)	4	2	2
Nutwood Demonio ..... (John Grimes)	5	3	3
Time—2:16¼, 2:16½, 2:18.			
Free-for-all trot:			
St. Patrick ..... (J. Holland)	1	2	1
Francis S. ..... (J. E. Strain)	2	1	4
Birdeye ..... (A. Combatalade)	3	4	2
Kinney Lou Junior ..... (Frank Burton)	4	3	3
Time—2:21½, 2:21, 2:22.			
Free-for-all pace:			
Happy Dentist ..... (F. Lauterwasser Jr.)	1	1	
Dick W. ..... (A. Ottinger)	2	3	
Little Bernice ..... (Jack Welsh)	3	2	
W. J. K. ..... (W. J. Kenney)	4	4	
Time—2:10, 2:10.			
2:20 mixed:			
Ateka ..... (B. Cohen)	2	1	2
Tramp ..... (John Grimes)	3	2	1
Cookey ..... (Joe Vermet)	1	3	3
Peaches ..... (Dan McGovern)	4	4	4
Time—2:29, 2:24, 2:25.			
Special, Petaluma road horses:			
Billy T. ..... (R. Healey)	1	6	1
Silver Logan ..... (Dan Healey)	3	1	3
Springtime ..... (Jack Grimes)	5	2	2
Ike M. ..... (Dan McGovern)	2	4	5
Alameda Maiden ..... (A. Dolcini)	4	3	4
Time—2:34, 2:28, 2:27½.			

GRAND CIRCUITERS AT PLEASANTON.

A little tired from the long journey that concluded their summer at the races on the Grand and Great Western circuits, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. DeRyder arrived Tuesday at Pleasanton and have been very busy resting (?) and greeting friends ever since, "glad as glad" to be back in that good old Livermore valley. Hard on their trail a few hours later came the advance guard of the big line campaigners that are coming to the exposition meeting which starts November first. The DeRyder car contained a classy lot, as in addition to his racing stable, Maymack, Miss Perfection, Anvilite, Zomblack, Governor Mason and Madam Mac, Charley brought out four weanlings by General Watts and The Northern Man and also Ed Geers' famous trotter, The Anvil 2:02¾, who, presumably, will be in service at Pleasanton. The car also contained Homer Rutherford's good colt trotter, George N. Patterson, and L. C. Kinney's ex-champion pacer, Impetuous Palmer (3) 2:05¼, both staked here in November.

The old "he-wolves" of the pack, however, were in another car in charge of Tommy Murphy's right hand bower, Ned McCarr, the bunch including Hal Boy, The Beaver, Seneca Boy and the Murphy speedsters Peter Scott, Mirthful, Jean, Major Ong and Hal S. The horses all look fine, especially Peter Scott, and stood the ship in grand shape, having good weather and a fast run all the way. Hugh Ross, Murphy's farrier, came with the delegation and our own Watt Cleveland returned to serve the wants of DeRyder and his numerous other patrons.

R. J. MacKenzie and Matthew O'Brien were on hand to see the horses unload and have been spending most of the time since then at the track, where things are booming just now in the good old way. It is a pity that the exposition race meeting could not be staged on a plant as adequately appointed, as climatically blessed, and as efficiently and pleasingly conducted as is the MacKenzie property, Pleasanton Driving Park.

C. A. Harrison has recently sold to the northwestern trainer, George Swisher, the pacing gelding Joseph Ansel (3) 2:12¾, by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½ out of Josie D. by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½. Swisher will winter at Salem and fit this lad for next year's races. Mr. Harrison has also sold to F. P. Norton of Marshfield the rugged Brook Nook Ranche gelding Jean Jacques by The King Red, a good sort of a trotter.

SANTA ANITA RANCHO

The popularity of the horse among people of fashion was never more emphatically demonstrated than at the Horse Show just held in connection with the Panama-Pacific International Exposition. While there are those who still doubt that the horse will ever regain his prestige, those who are members of the "inner circle" are more than enthusiastic over the outlook for the future and realize that all indications point to the return of the best of man's four-footed friends to his former proud position in the world of fashion. The horse is now the "hall mark" of aristocracy, whose ownership takes his master out of the merely wealthy class and places him in the position of the man of estates. The possession of a high-class carriage pair, gig horse, saddler or roadster is today a mark of fashion, position and prosperity, an indication that the owner has money, leisure time and social position.

So much for the social side of the question. There is, however, a much more effective and positive energy working for the restoration of the horse to favor — the substantial and extensive interest that is being displayed in him by the women of today. With them the horse is not a fad, but a most serious proposition in behalf of which they are commencing to devote not only a generous portion of their time, but of their money as well. Stronger and stronger is becoming the hold of the horse upon the affection of members of the feminine portion of exclusive circles; horse shows have been more numerous and more popular this season than ever before among metropolitan social circles of the Atlantic seaboard, and California's daughters are more than keeping pace with their eastern sisters as horse owners and breeders.

This was most strikingly illustrated by the participation of Santa Anita Rancho in the recent horse show, and other activities of the department of live stock at the exposition. In quality and range, the display made by Anita M. Baldwin was by far the most interesting of those made especially for the horse show, whil throughout the course of the exposition she has maintained there under the view herd allowances, a stable that has been th chief center of attraction of the department. Very shortly after the exposition was opened the Baldwin quarters were fitted up for continuous occupancy, and no a day has passed that visitors by the hundred have failed to pay their respects to the famous horses gathered there. The equine aristocrats, with their attractive quarters, elaborately fitted up and decorated in the Baldwin colors of red and black, with the famous Maltese cross an ever present symbol, made the Santa Anita exhibit one of the real show places of the exposition. Santa Anita Rancho! Why, those simple, soft-flowing syllables were of themselves a magnet of irresistible drawing power, for with them is interwoven tale upon tale of the doing of heroic deeds upon the turf. Then, too, the story of the rancho itself is a tale of modern wonderment. Established over two-score years ago by the late Elias J. Baldwin, its broad acres stretched out under the smiling southern sun from the Sierra Madres to the Puentes, and from a line just west of the present town of Lamanda Park far to the eastward to the Merced Hills. Then it was merely ranch and range, but today, within its original confines, are prospering farms and orchards and a number of bustling little cities. So passeth the old order, but Santa Anita Rancho, unlike most great ranchos of a bygone day, has maintained its identity throughout the changing days and under the guidance of the daughter promises to achieve a renown even greater than that enjoyed by it under the regime of the father.



MRS. BALDWIN AND IBN MAHRUSS

Santa Anita Rancho! What countless thousands of people there are in this world who have whooped and cheered and pounded each other on the back and thrown hats away and indulged in all the other well known forms of race track hysteria when the black, with the red sash and cap and the red Maltese cross flashed past the stands atop the winner of a hard fought race! Four times were the above colors first at the wire in the classic American Derby, an achievement standing absolutely alone in turf annals, for no other establishment ever had even two winners of the event. Volante, in 1885, first captured it, followed the next season by Silver Cloud. Two years later Emperor of Norfolk became the third winner, the quartette being rounded out in 1894 when Rey el Santa Anita, still hale and hearty and one of the finest specimens of the thoroughbred in America, came down in front in 2:36, the record for the Derby to that time. Long years ago the Derby was discontinued. Washington Park, engulfed in the great "south side" of Chicago, has long been but a memory, but how pleasing it must be to thousands of warm-blooded men and women to know that Rey el Santa Anita has weathered the storms of all these years to become the grand champion stallion among his kind at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition.



REY EL SANTA ANITA

Discouraging as has been the industry of thoroughbred breeding and racing for the several seasons last past, the Santa Anita stud has not been dispersed nor allowed to deteriorate, for among its other winners at the exposition were Reina de Santa Anita, a dainty daughter of Rey, who was adjudged the junior champion mare and the reserve grand champion of any age; Reina de Los Angeles, an aged matron of note as a producer, and the stallions Norito

nd Adalid, sons, respectively, of Emperor of Norfolk nd Amigo. Every season witnesses the foaling of umerous thoroughbreds at the famous old speed ursery, all of which are readily salable even in dull easons, and with a brighter day dawning for the horoughbred there is reason to look forward to the eturn of the black and red to an active participation n turf affairs. Welcome the day!

Famous as are the thoroughbreds of Santa Anita ancho, with friends and admirers by the thousands, here is another band of horses calling the rancho ome who are running them a very close race indeed or popularity in the hearts of both their owner and he public—the Arabians, true sons of the desert of he tribe from which sprang the horses of today of ll nations. Back to the Arab goes the pedigree of very great race horse, some by devious ways, others irectly, and from the section of the east whence ame the Darley Arabian comes Ibn Mahruss, head f the Santa Anita Arabian stud. Dear to the heart f the Arab is his horse, and Ibn Mahruss is of the ind that, in his native home, is so cherished as to e priceless. Only as a gift could he have passed o alien hands, and as such—a token of esteem from Persian Shah to an American artist and true horse over, the late Homer Davenport—he came to enrich he blood of the American horse, eventually passing to Richard Walton Tully and then to Mrs. Baldwin, whose property he will remain ever more. A magnificent individual, beautiful, docile, endowed with many traits as nearly human as one of his kind may have, he has become Mrs. Baldwin's favorite saddle horse, and carries her on many and many a ride, the keen enjoyment of which will linger long in memory.

Ibn Mahruss, accepted as the greatest of Arabians, owns allegiance to that best of all desert families, the Seglawie Jedran, being a son of Mahruss and Bushra, a pair whose praises have been sung in the farthest oases of the lands of the Moslem. With him in the stud is the younger horse Cibolo, foaled 1912, a beautiful dapple gray of the family Hamdani Simri, and Nedjrez, of the same age, of the family Keheilet Ajuz. To Cibolo fell the exposition's award as a champion stallion, while the champion mare was Nedjme III., the dam of Nedjrez. Shireen, the baby of the band, also out of Nedjme III., was the best junior mare, and in fact but one award, and that a second, escaped the Santa Anita Arabians.

Some time ago Mrs. Baldwin announced that it was her desire to make Santa Anita as famous for the production of utility horses as it is as a breeding ground of race winners, and as a basis for her operations along this line "combed the land" for the best available purebred Percherons and a smaller number of prize winning jacks and jennets. "Quality" is the watchword, with price a small consideration, and already she is well on the way to the possession of America's greatest collection of Percherons. Heading the band is Jusque 79515 (85467), an imported son of the incomparable Etudiant, who came to America at a record price and now heads the stud at the Pabst Farm in Wisconsin. Through his dam, Tirelire (59522), Jusque inherits a very intense infusion of the blood of the famous Brilliant, so that in breeding, as well as in all individual points of draft horse excellence, he leaves but little to be desired.

The Percheron mares were selected with the same care as that displayed in the purchase of Jusque, and every one is purebred and registered with the Percheron Society of America. Competition in the Percheron classes was of the keenest kind, the best farms of America being generously represented, and a little glance at the list of awards shows how well the Baldwin horses rank with others of their kind. Numerous honors came to them, notable among them being the following: first for stallion and three mares on Jusque, Manon, Oaklawn Queen and Cicely; first for best three mares owned by exhibitor on Oaklawn Queen, Manon and Cicely, while to Manon was awarded the senior mare championship, the reserve grand championship, and first for mares three years old and under four. She is a wonderful mare, an exemplification of power, intelligence and docility, and will bring much fame to Santa Anita Rancho in the future.

Kentucky, noted above all the states beyond the Rockies for the quality of its horseflesh, is far-famed as the breeding ground of the best native jacks and jennets, and it was from among prize winners of the Blue Grass that Santa Anita's members of this homely but useful tribe were recruited, including the jack King Bersheba and a dozen females. King Bersheba, a fine tempered fellow, heavily boned and well muscled, was a winner of championship honors as a two-year-old in his native home, but unfortunately could not be shown in competition at the exposition, though much admired by visitors to the stable. Shortly before the judging began he developed all the symptoms of arsenical poisoning and for days his life was despaired of, though skill and care finally brought him around to a point where he could be shipped home. He and his harem are the right sort, and their produce will be much in demand.

The livestock at Santa Anita is by no means limited to the kinds mentioned in the foregoing paragraphs, as there are the dogs of the famous Anoakia Kennels, the Holstein-Friesian dairy herd, and the piggery stocked with the best of Poland Chinas, every



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one of these divisions worthy of a story of its own more extensive than this entire article. One small story cannot tell the tale of Santa Anita Rancho, but some day in the future we hope to do proper justice to each individual branch of endeavor touched upon so lightly here. Suffice it to say that in every line only the best of its kind is considered worthy of Santa Anita, and each family is being added to from time to time that the highest standard may be maintained. Of the scenic grandeur of its natural setting, of the efficiency, comfort and beauty of its costly improvements, of its irrigation system, its winery, its orchards and vineyards and broad acres of meadow and field and pasture, dotted here and there by the noblest oaks of the San Gabriel valley, no adequate idea can be gained save through a personal visit thereto, and visitors are warmly welcomed.

Under the aggressive policy adopted by Mrs. Baldwin it would seem that the former fame of Santa Anita Rancho is merely an incident to that to be acquired in the future. Located as it it is but five miles from Pasadena and fourteen miles from Los Angeles, served by three rail lines, it lies directly in the path of the bulk of Southern California tourist travel, and many indeed are the visitors who come to wonder at its thorough greatness and go away to sing its praises in many quarters of the land. Wonderful as it is now, and famous as are its products, the future holds promise of an infinitely greater renown, as Mrs. Baldwin is putting heart and soul and fortune into her work with the one aim of making Santa Anita Rancho the greatest of its kind in the world.

No doubt there are very many people who have an entirely erroneous conception of Santa Anita Rancho as it is today, thinking of it largely, or entirely, as a show place only, the whim and plaything of a woman of wealth. Such a conception is absolutely wrong, for while Mrs. Baldwin has spared no effort or expense to make it surpassingly attractive and comfortable for its residents, both man and beast, the underlying principle that dominates every line of endeavor is "service." First, last and always "service" is the watchword — service to the stock grower in giving him opportunity to purchase, here at home, the very best and purest bred animals of the families in which he specializes; service to the farmer, the orchardist, the vineyardist, in demonstrating how best his ends may be achieved; service to mankind in general by the doing of a great work well. No, Santa Anita is not a plaything. It is a vital, pulsating, thriving affair of modern business a "monument" to a deep and abiding love for all domestic animals and for the products of the soil.

Only a few weeks ago there was published a beautiful, comprehensive and appropriate catalog descriptive of Santa Anita and its various operations, and readers of this brief sketch will derive much pleasure from a perusal of its pages, replete with definite and interesting facts and profusely illustrated with engravings of the various classes of livestock as well as with scenes portraying other industries of the rancho and its natural beauties. Business offices are maintained at 1314 Washington Building, Los Angeles, and a card to that address will bring you the catalog or any information you may desire.



MANON

Longview Farm

Of all the breeds of horses in evidence at the exposition show, none were represented by a larger number of exhibiting owners and breeders than the gaited saddlers, and none took higher rank in popular favor with the spectators, in either the breeding or performance classes. They came from "all over," and much distinction was added to the competitions in their events by the presence of a number of individuals of nation-wide renown, famous winners in many former shows where the company was of the very highest kind. Aside from that of our own California, Missouri's representation was the most extensive and was also the most select, for Missouri is rapidly forging to the lead among all the states as a producer of the saddle horse. Within her borders are located the leading farms of the day, and the exposition was most fortunate in having present, among others, the stable from Longview Farm whose members have achieved such signal honors in recent seasons.



IMPERIOUS KING

This five-year-old son of Bourbon King was a well-liked member of Longview Farm's Stable on its western tour.

Longview Farm, the establishment of R. A. Long of Kansas City, is an extensive estate located in the heart of one of the "show me" state's most beautiful and productive sections, Jackson county, the postal address being Lee's Summit. While lavishly improved and made into a jewel among its kind it is not merely a "show place" but a practical establishment that pays a profit, as its produce have swept the show rings of many fairs and are always in demand among progressive breeders. Mr. Long's personal "stronghold" is Jersey cattle, flanked by a sturdy detachment of Duroc Jersey swine, while the harness and saddle horses are the especial pride of Miss Loula Long, in whose name they are generally entered, and who is well on the way toward becoming America's foremost horsewoman. The Jerseys at Longview, headed by a nine-thousand-dollar sire, are of the very choicest, and at recent Missouri fairs have been awarded firsts and championships in very many classes, Mr. Long's chief competitor being furnished by the Jerseys from the establishment of his fellow-townsman, F. J. Bannister. Had not the quarantine interfered it is probable that the farm would have participated in the cattle show here as well as the horse show.

During the present season Miss Long's stable has enjoyed an enviable measure of success in a number of the leading events of the central west. Under the direction of John T. Hook, who has probably shown more winning saddle horses than any other man west of the Mississippi, her horses were most successful at the shows at Dayton, Ohio, and at the South Shore Country Club in Chicago, at the fairs at Moberly, Columbia and Mexico, and at the day and night horse show at Shelbina, the sweepstakes rings for gaited horses at all the above places being at the mercy of Maurine Fisher, while many awards fell to other members of the string. At Mexico and Shelbina, as well as here at the exposition, the get of My Major Dare were invincible in the kindergarten classes for both sexes, so that in the Major, Longview Farm possesses not only a great show horse in his own right, but a sire of proven and exceptional quality. He has been undefeated in the classes for his sex, his latest laurels being the award of senior and grand champion stallion at the P.-P. I. E. He was the greatest individual attraction of his kind here, and his appearance on any occasion was warmly welcomed. On the closing day of the show, though his competitive classes had all been adjudged previously, so many requests were made for "one more view" that Mr. Hook brought him out under saddle for one final bow to his friends, round after round of applause showing just how he stood with the pleased spectators. He is a magnificent type of the saddle horse, and Californians are much indebted to Miss Long for the pleasure afforded them by his presence, and that of his stable mates, at the local show. At both Sedalia and St. Louis the majority of premier awards in the junior classes fell to colts and fillies by him, being exhibited, during the absence of Mr. Hook, by C. J. Tucker, the farm's general manager.

Conflicting engagements prevented the appearance of the harness horses of Longview Farm in those classes here, much to the regret of the lovers of the horse who admired its saddlers so greatly. That her harness horses may be readily identified by even the occasional show-goer, Miss Long has adopted a uniform terminal for her system of nomenclature, the letters "tion." As usually enunciated, this sounds exactly as "shun," but the "fonetic spelling" has nothing in keeping with the meaning of the word formed by those four letters. Sure it is that Longview's "tions" do not "shun" ribbons or other prize awards as Anticipation, Illumination, Revelation, Realization Hesitation, Concentration, Admiration, Aspiration Animation and other similar names are becoming very familiar to the judges and clerks whose duty it is to determine the best horse in the ring.

While the saddle horses were gaining honors here the harness horse contingent was equally busy at the show held in connection with the American Royal. Miss Long was the leading exhibitor in this class and had the pleasure of annexing a number of the leading awards, while the Farm's Jerseys held their own well in their classes of the same event.

Longview Farm's catalog is a beautiful and entertaining bit of the printer's and compiler's arts, and the supply brought out was depleted almost before the show began. Many requests were made that could not be gratified, and if the disappointed ones, or any others, will mail their addresses to either C. J. Tucker, general manager, or John T. Hook, manager of the saddle horse department, at Lee's Summit, Missouri, their wants will promptly be filled and the booklet will serve to keep its possessors in touch with Longview Farm affairs in the interval until the day California may again have the pleasure of being host to its horses.

ORANGE COUNTY FAIR.

Santa Ana, Cal., Oct. 16.—It has been some years since Orange county had a fair and race meeting, but the success of the "revival" which has just come to a close promises that it will be another several years before she fails to have one again, as the week has been a big one. The exhibit features were excellent and the racing was mighty good and kept the crowds well entertained. The feature of the week was the race between Vera Hal and San Jacinto, which was keen from start to finish, the fastest heat of 2:07½ approaching within half a second of the record set twenty-one years ago by Silkwood, whose old owner and trainer, "Uncle Jake" Willetts, was a member of the participants in this week's activities. Lou Taylor showed a real good pacer in Baxter Lou, who reeled off a mile in 2:11 against the watch, pulling up in the final quarter owing to hitting a soft spot in the going. The events in detail:

Oct. 12.—2:30 trot:

Luana, b m by Kinney Lou	(Taylor)	1	1	1
Maggie M., br m by Carlokin	(Murphy)	2	2	2
Guy Boy, br g by Guy Bellou	(Stewart)	3	3	3

Time—2:18¼, 2:18¾, 2:17½.

Mixed race (local horses):

Dick W.	(Murphy)	1	1	1
Zella D.	(Pausett)	3	2	2
Buster	(Thomas)	2	3	3
California Chief	(English)	4	4	4

Best time—2:20.

Running race, three furlongs:

Dutch (Vose) 1, Manzanita (Pausett) 2, Vocardepelo (Serrano) 3, Foxey (Hall) 4. Time—:39.

Oct. 13.—Special mixed race, purse $100:

Laddie	(Schultz)	1	1	1
Miss Patterson	(Patterson)	5	2	2
Prince Albert	(Murphy)	2	4	4
May Raymond	(Hall)	4	3	3
Pelee	(McCullough)	5	5	5

Best time—2:31½.

Special match for $350:

Vera Hal, b m by Expressive Mac	(Cohen)	1	1	2
San Jacinto, b g by Geo. W. McKinney	(Armstead)	2	2	1

Best time—2:07½.

Trotting race, purse $100:

Danube, br g by Direcho	(Cooper)	1	1	3
Doctor S.	(Faucett)	3	3	1
Guy Boy, br g by Guy Bellou	(Stewart)	2	2	2
Maggie M., br m by Carlokin	(Murphy)	4	4	4

Best time, 3d heat—2:14½.

Running race, four furlongs, purse $50:

Won by Loma (Holcomb). Time—:50.

Oct. 14—Special pace, purse $150:

Baxter Lou, ch g by Kinney Lou	(Taylor)	1	1	1
Walter C., b h by Carpus	(Schumaker)	2	2	2
Humpa Hill, b g by F. S. Turner	(Stewart)	3	3	3
Atlantic Fleet, ch h by Murray M.	(Cole)	3	4	4

Time—2:16, 2:16, 2:17.

Special trot, purse $150:

Danube, br g by Direcho	(Cooper)	1	1	1
Doctor S.	(Pausett)	2	2	3
Dick W.	(W. R. Murphy)	3	3	2
Tom Murphy	(A. S. Murphy)	4	4	4

Time—2:22½, 2:17½, 2:20.

Running race, five furlongs:

Susie H. (Francis)1, Loma (Holcomb) 2, Dutch (Vose) 3, Vera (Clark) 4.

Ladies' riding race:

Marcus (Mrs. Nettie Hawn) 1, King (Mrs. W. H. Sharp) 2.

Oct. 15.—2:20 trot, purse $250:

Danube, br g by Direcho	(Cooper)	2	1	1
Doctor S.	(Faucett)	1	4	3
Guy Boy, br g by Guy Bellou	(Stewart)	3	2	2
Dick W.	(W. R. Murphy)	4	3	5
Happy Clay	(Nesmith)	6	6	4
Caroline	(Williams)	5	7	6
Tom Murphy	(A. S. Murphy)	7	5	7

Best time—2:15½.

2:14 pace, purse $250:

Walter C., b h by Carpus	(Schumacher)	1	1	3
King Lilly Pointer, br h by Star Pointer	(Nesmith)	5	6	1
Humpa Hill, b g by F. S. Turner	(Stewart)	2	2	2
Queen MacGregor	(Williams)	4	3	4
Atlantic Fleet, ch h by Murray M.	(Cole)	3	4	5
Buster	(A. C. Murphy)	6	5	6

Best time—2:14.

To beat 2:10 pacing:

Baxter Lou, ch g by Kinney Lou (Taylor) 2:11

Ladies' running race:

Billy (Mrs. Nettie Hawn) 1, Prince (Mrs. W. H. Sharp) 2.

Time—:25½.

many other members of local stables were crowding the winners at all times. Miss Mary Andruss of this city carried off the honors for the best lady rider, on Wonderland, while Capt. Babcock on Gilderoy won the competition for gentlemen amateurs. There was a fine field of high school horses, California-owned, that afforded much pleasure to the crowd, top honors going to Dr. Anderson's Monte Mitchell, John E. Marble's Bonita P., and Mrs. Leota Zapp's Jupiter, as named.

Among the most spectacular of the show's features were the classes for hunters and jumpers, the standard requirements calling for entrants to be ridden over post and rail, brush, water and in and out jump. Col. Slocum's Monterey topped the weight carriers, while honors in the middle and light weight classes went to J. D. Farrell's Premier and Col. Greble's Dan, respectively. Red and Cosmocrat were the best of the pairs, shown abreast over two four-foot jumps and two of three feet six inches of timber, topped by six inches of brush. Dan also won the Shreve challenge trophy, and Frederick the Great pulled down the amateur event for Capt. Disque. Mrs. Maxwell rode the winners of the two classes for ladies' hunters over four jumps of three feet, with a foot of brush added, Premier carrying her to one victory and Tick Tock to the second, Cosmocrat and Mrs. Zapp's Sylvia taking the second places. Cosmocrat carried Capt. Dean to victory over Shamrock, the Denver jumper owned by Chas. E. Guy, in the professional number of four jumps of five feet each, but Shamrock was the best of the high jumpers, with Adelaide S. Gillis' Bounder taking the next honors. Lt. Watson on Chespeake outjumped Capt. Cootes on Jerry, and a number of others, in the Grafton long jumps, while the pony number over four timbers of moderate height fell to Snowflake, ridden by Walter Foster of this city. Good old Frederick the Great, with his twenty-fifth Christmas staring him in the face, took the special over the standard course for Captain Disque, the crowd giving the game old warrior a rousing send-off.

Much interest was created by the Welsh and Shetland pony classes, in which competition was very keen, the events ranging from single ponies in harness or under saddle up to four in hands. The Illinois breeders, Chas. E. Bunn of Peoria and Geo. A. Heyl of Washington, were the most extensive exhibitors and rivalry ran high between them. Mrs. Adam Stirling & Son of Des Moines, Iowa, were also among the winning visitors, while California ponies held their own and most creditably in all their classes. The Bunn entries took challenge cups at both hitches, and trophies were awarded little Miss Mercedes Anderson of Oakland and Walter Blair Foster of this city as the best juvenile riders. Polo pony honors were divided among Will Tevis, Harry Hastings, Capt. McNally and Lt. Sands, Mr. Tevis having an especially pleasing string of perfectly bitted mounts. The Clark trophy went to Sino, of the Tevis stable

Several events for police officers were incorporated into the program, Officers Hanley, Coates, Merchant and Smith taking the major honors. Entrants in the stock horse competition hardly had a square deal, as Will Tevis' polo mounts were accepted as "stock horses" — which they once upon a time were, all right — and captured first and second. Neither were the conditions fully lived up to in other ways, but the class was one of dash and action, with a bunch of good rope and cutting horses present.

Mr. Tevis took the relay race in which vaqueros were barred, while the cowboy's relay went to Tom Millinck of Sonoma and the cowgirl's relay to Miss Bertha Stadler of Fresno. S. Christenson and that grand old veteran, Bodaker, defeated the field in the mile trot to saddle, and Revel Lindsay English's Daisy E. and Altadena took the six furlong race for saddle tandems. Chespeake and Lt. Watson were a "close corporation" in the hurdle race and steeple chase, capturing both in handy fashion.

While the activities of the draft horse men were confined largely to the breeding classes, a number of performance classes also were provided, several of the exhibitors participating. The odd exhibitor, that is, the one competing in performance events who was not represented in the breeding classes, was the local teaming firm of McNab & Smith, who made a great show with a number of heavy horses, from single horses shown at hand to six horse teams, their well groomed big drafters, with nicely housed harness and spick and span new wagons adding a pleasing touch of variety.

Worthy of a special story of their own, but of necessity passed over hurriedly here, were the events arranged for the express participation of officers and enlisted men from the army. In addition to those events previously reviewed in which army officers were prominent there were also held, for officers of the U. S. A. or N. G. C., steeplechases, flat races, jumping, singly and in pairs, and other classes, while the enlisted men staged jumps, flat races, monkey drills, rescue races, steeplechases, tent pegging competitions, roman races, riding contests, and a machine gun contest between four sections of the machine gun troop of the First Cavalry. The army men not only added a most pleasing touch of "local color," but their contests gave evidence of the excellence of army training and its power for developing steady hands, good nerve, quick eye and brain and quiet, unassuming daring.

Much more might be written, but time and space forbid. The illustrations herewith presented give only a meager idea of the quality of the competitions and the natural and artificial beauties of the scene in which the show was staged. Not to have been there is to have missed something truly worth while, a great show, well planned, well carried out.

WITH VOLUNTEER AT LEXINGTON.

Suldine, the last of the quartette that made up the extraordinary field in the two-year-old futurity, gave a splendid account of himself. True, he was outclassed by the others—yet, under the skillful guidance of Mr. Geers he was at all stages close up, as previously stated, beat 2:10 in the first heat, and came right back in the second and was not more than four lengths to the rear. He has been somewhat unsteady in previous races, but this time never offered to "lift his nose"—which, considering the fact that he was being both out-trotted and out-staid, shows that he is of the stuff of which true race horses are made. A lot has been done with the son of Worthy McKinney this season, and he shows it, being thin in flesh and looking somewhat jaded. Had less been asked of him earlier, he would have shown still more creditably. His yearling record was 2:24¾. If he remains sound he should make a memorable three-year-old—and as he comes from the stout tribe of McKinney in the male line, and on his dam's side traces back to Goldsmith Maid 2:14, the most long-enduring trotter in history, perhaps he has the stuff in him that enables an occasional baby wonder to mature into an aged stake-winner.

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And now for Napoleon Direct's thrill-producing "stunt."

When it was known that Directum I. would be unable to appear in the Tennessee stake, that classic was conceded to the son of Walter Direct, but a good deal of speculation was centered in what the others might be able to do to him in a three-in-five event. Napoleon had raced best this season in two-in-three events, and, in a longer race, had never faced such a field as now opposed him, inclusive, as it was, of Flower Direct 2:00¾, Braden Direct 2:01½, Peter Stevens 2:02¼ and Walter Cochato 2:02¼. That, individually and collectively, the field would make a desperate effort to beat the favorite was well understood—and if they took turns carrying him, it was the idea in some "smart" quarters that he might meet his Waterloo about the third heat.

As it developed, none of the others was good enough really to trouble him. Flower Direct was away off and never a real factor. Braden Direct was only fair. Peter Stevens was still feeling the effects of his duel with Directum I. at Allentown, Pa., two weeks before. Walter Cochato was unexpectedly good—but not good enough.

The first heat Napoleon reeled off in 2:02, last half in :59½, the second heat he came back in 2:01¾. Now came that third heat that all the field-backers were "laying low" for. Napoleon came out a little lame for it in that hind leg that has bothered him all summer and kept him from racing for a number of weeks. Around the first turn he went rough gaited so Mr. Geers took him back and kept him well to the rear of the others, not beginning to move with him until past the half. The horse then began to gain rapidly and at the three-quarters looked ready to rush into the lead, on the outside. He was moving like a whirlwind, when suddenly, just as he swung for home, he made a plunging break. At this time, also, I was standing down on the track, just below the wire, and, looking up at him, the sight he presented was indeed a wild one. When he broke he swerved suddenly and ran full tilt across the track at an acute angle so suddenly, and apparently so uncontrollably, that my heart literally came up into my mouth. It looked as if nothing could prevent his going smash into the outer rail, and in my mind's eye I visioned a terrible accident with Mr. Geers crushed and mangled, perhaps even killed. Then, just as it seemed as if nothing could have him, I saw the madly-running stallion in a twinkling, whirl as if on a pivot, straight with the stretch, and come hurtling down it like a wild horse in full flight. For a moment I supposed him beyond control, and running away—but in another I saw that he was on a square pace and thundering through the air like a cannon ball. At the same instant the crowd began cheering wildly. After being hopelessly out of it, Geers had performed a miracle of reinsmanship and was actually driving for the heat! Lengths in advance Peter Stevens was scudding along, Ray Snedeker driving desperately. Like a hound on the track of a hare, Napoleon rushed after him. The clatter of his foot-falls on the track sounded like the roll of the drum when it is being beaten to rouse a sleeping garrison to defend a citadel attacked without warning in the dead of night. Faster and faster they fell, swifter and swifter they came. Nobody will ever know how fast Napoleon Direct paced the final eighth of that mile. The official time of the last quarter was :29¾, and the Tennessee stallion was, apparently, pacing two feet to the leader's one all the last end of it. To almost everyone it looked as if he had won the heat, but the judges saw Stevens first "by an eyelash."

I cannot recall seeing such excitement at Lexington ever over a racing heat in years, if ever before, as Napoleon's finish elicited. There was one fusillade after another of cheers and cries as he came hurtling through the stretch; and, if he had been declared winner of the heat and race, I believe the roof of the grandstand would just have been lifted off by the outburst that would have followed the announcement.

How Napoleon lost the fourth heat by being interfered with at the head of the home stretch and getting his wheel locked with that of Braden Direct is related in the regular report of the race. Nightfall then called a halt in the contest. The next morning he was quite lame, but the cause was discovered to be one remediable by a change in one of his hind shoes, which he had twisted, causing it to press upon a sore spot in the sole of his foot. Once this was done, he "came out like a giant refreshed," and simply lost the others by pacing a world's record fifth heat in 2:01½, last quarter in :29¼.

Can Napoleon Direct pace in two minutes? Dear reader, if asked to he can, just as surely as you and I are alive!—Horse Review.

COMMENDS EXHIBITION OF CHILDREN'S PETS.

Looking backward to the splendid results of the first Children's Pets Exhibition in a California city, from which originated the National Children's Pets Exhibition to be held at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, December 2 and 3, Will C. Wood, Commissioner, Secondary Schools, California, prophesies a rich harvest of educational benefits for the great show.

"Such exhibitions," he thinks, "cultivate not only the hearts, but the minds of the children, and interest their parents. Mothers and fathers brought by the young folks to their pets show, renewed their interest in pets and resolved to encourage their children to care for dumb animals.

"We interpreted the word 'pets' very broadly and accepted plants, herbariums and collections of curiosities, making them a part of the exhibition, although most of the entries were of animals. Pet frogs, guinea pigs, guinea fowls, poultry of almost every breed, snakes, rabbits, Shetland ponies, ringtailed coons, badgers, monkeys, parrots, parrakeets, made up a wonderful menagerie in the basement of the school building, to the surprise and delight of the pupils. Those who had no pets resolved to adopt one during the next year so that it might be shown at the next exhibition. The many entries were obtained through entry forms being distributed in the schools, and the children being encouraged by school authorities to show their pets. I hope that every school in California will participate in what promises to be the most interesting of all the exhibitions."

Information and entry blanks for the Children's Pets Exhibition (for which there are no expenses), can be obtained from D. O. Lively, Chief of the Department of Live Stock, P.-P. I. E., San Francisco.

ERROR IN FUTURITY DATES.

Through an office oversight the dates of two of the futurities for two-year-olds were not given properly in our publication of October 9, giving the exposition program. The second race on Thursday, Nov. 4, should read "Pacific Breeders Futurity, two-year-olds, pacers, purse $1,200," and the third race on Thursday, Nov. 11, should be "Pacific Breeders Futurity, two-year-olds, trotters, purse $1,450," thus giving ample time between the events for the various gaits and ages.

Marie Fitzsimmons, a young mare owned by J. W. Swank, Payette, Ida., made a record at the Malheur County Fair at Ontario, Ore., the week of September 20, that is unique and so far as we know a world's record of its kind. Wednesday she started in a trotting race and won in three straight heats. Thursday she was in the pacing race and again won in straight heats. Friday she was driven in the free-for-all trot. She lost the first heat and then came back and won the next three. The track is halfmile and a little slow and there was considerable wind. No fast time was made, but every heat was a real contest, with good horses in it. She is a wonderful mare, handsome and of fair size as well as a level-headed, double-gaited, fast animal.—Pacific Rural Spirit.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.



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that section was most ably represented. Prosper and Sultan, from the stable of J. C. Strubbar, Topeka, Kas., were winners among pairs over 14.2, while Woodland Hackney Stud turned out candidates for the blue in a team composed of Lady Ives and Gwendolyn, while their Julep and Delight were first and second, respectively, among the high steppers.



CAVALRYMEN DOING A STUNT IN THE MONKEY DRILL

Sporting tandems and combination horses provided much entertainment, the entrants in the latter numbers being shown to harness, taken out in the ring and ridden by the same person. Revel Lindsay English's pair, Daisy E. and Altadena, and the two from the San Francisco Riding School, Kildare and Killarney, outranked the other tandems, and in the combination class for three gaited horses first and second went to My Idol and Greyhurst, both from the stable of E. D. Moore of Columbia, Missouri. Mrs. H. B. Thornberry of Los Angeles had the best five gaited combination horse, the famous gray gelding Jack Barrymore, with Mr. Moore's Johnnie Jones second.

While all classes of horses were given a warm reception by the spectators, the ones that created the greatest interest, the keenest competition and the readiest applause were the gaited saddle horses. The pick of Missouri farms were in evidence, and California herself is not backward in the production of gaited saddlers, and the fields in many instances were large. Riders such as Judge Bridgford, the "father of the saddler in California," John Hook of Missouri, Billy Shropshire of south of the Mason and Dixon line, E. D. Moore, and others of fame from former shows gave added distinction to these events and every entry was shown for "all it was worth." Longview Farm, whose horses are famous throughout the land, had an excellent stable present, headed by the stallion My Major Dare and the equally famous representative of the opposite sex, Maurine Fisher. La France among any age mares, My Major Dare among any age stallions and La France among junior mares were all winners of the blue in the performance classes, other members taking numerous other awards and the stable as a whole being the best winner in the breeding classes. The Longview horses were very popular, and their appearance at any time the stimulus to applause. Mr. Moore was another Missourian who was a hard one to beat, gathering several high honors with My Idol, Johnnie Jones, Greyhurst, Majestic McDonald and Butterfly Dare, all admirable types of their kind.

Jack Barrymore, who had such a sensational year last season in the central west, had his old rider, Billy Shropshire, in the saddle and was one of the big attractions of his kind, incidentally becoming the cause of one of the unusual occurrences of the show. Quite properly awarded premier honors in the combination and gelding classes, a storm of protest greeted the pinning of the blue upon him in the class for best stallion, mare or gelding, My Major Dare being relegated to second place and Johnnie Jones to third. The crowd practically "to a man" favored the Major, and did not hesitate to express itself to that effect, the decision meeting with a demonstration in which hisses, boohs, "cat-calls" and the bestowal upon the judge of numerous appellations more noted for their curt sting than for politeness were the outstanding features. The crowd may not always be right, but there were plenty of professional horsemen among this one, most of them joining with the spectators in their way of thinking. It will be recalled that, great as Jack is, the Major has beaten him in every previous meeting, at the Kansas City horse show, at St. Louis, and at the American Royal, and the judge's subsequent explanation to the effect that he didn't like either of them failed to add any improvement to the situation. The crowd liked 'em both, but the Major best, and a person who could be satisfied with neither seemed to them a bit ultra-fastidious in ideas. However, a certain number of such instances are inevitable, and the P.-P. I. E. awards generally met with favor.

California met all comers in the open model class for the best type of saddler shown in hand and came off victorious, the St. Francis Hotel trophy going to Adelaide S. Gillis' handsome chestnut stallion Don Castano 5631, the event calling out a goodly field of high class individuals. Another "Angeleno," Arthur Coronado, owned by John E. Marble, carried off the consolation class on closing day, and Thornberry & Shropshire's Mavis was the pick of the light weight three gaited class. Mr. English was unfortunate in that his horses were much affected by the climatic change and were not up to form, though they and

THE CAVALCADE OF LADIES, MOST ATTRACTIVE OF THE SHOW'S FEATURES





Panama-Pacific International Exposition

ALTHOUGH quite a number of horse shows, both of a "society" and purely "utilitarian" nature, have been held at various points on the Pacific coast with a gratifying measure of success, it fell to the lot of the Department of Live Stock of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition to stage the first pretentious and really great affair of its kind in this section, Chief D. O. Lively and his associates arranging, for the fortnight of September thirtieth—October thirteenth, the most comprehensive program of events that has ever been attempted in America. That the entire show, from first to last, was an unqualified success is an eloquent testimonial to the resourceful energy of its promoters, to the generous response made by breeders and owners, and to the high place occupied by the horse in public esteem.

The program was divided under two general headings, breeding classes and performance classes. The former covered the ground in a strictly utilitarian way and included all the families of horseflesh popular in America today, from the tiniest of watch charm Shetlands to the most ponderous drafters, the Suffolk Punch being the only kind provided for in the program and failing to have a representation. These classes were shown to halter in the forenoons in the stock stadium, and as they constituted the "meat" at the show the awards have been published in full, together with the roster of exhibitors, in this and a former number of this publication. The horse parades held on certain days just as the afternoon program began included practically all the animals entered in either the breeding or performance classes, and was a most magnificent display of equine quality.

The performance classes were of a scope including all the accepted features of the usual "society" horse show, with many added features giving the event a truly western "tang"—events for stock horses, cowboys and cowgirls and for the soldier boys of our beloved Uncle Samuel, both officers and enlisted men. It was a truly complete show, and was the source of more genuine pleasure and pure enjoyment, both to participants and spectators, than any of the special events of the exposition period. A special field was prepared for this portion of the show inside the racetrack enclosure. The tanbark ring of the accepted proportion served for a great majority of the events, while for those requiring more leeway there was the big race track and its infield. One might view the proceedings from the boxes half-encircling the ring, from the grandstand overlooking the entire enclosure as well as the Golden Gate and San Francisco bay, or from a comfortable chair on the clubhouse roof, nothing being left undone that would in any way add to the pleasure and comfort of those present.

Harness horses were provided with a wide range of events and the awards were well distributed, so keen was the competition. Chas. W. Winter of Alhambra with Alhambra Prince captured the roadster class for stallion, mare or gelding, as well as the Palace Hotel Challenge trophy for a like class. Dan Hoffman's Tom Smith and Jonesie Mac continued the "even tenor of their way" as exemplified in former appearances by taking first award for road-pacing roadsters. Miss Helen Farrell of Portland drove Union Jack to victory over a big field in the runabout class, with the entry of Col. Hogan of Pasadena second, Union Jack, driven by Miss Farrell, also taking the challenge trophy for the best standard bred gelding.

The Woodland Hackney Stud of this city had a popular pair in the mares Delight and Emmeline, who took quite a number of awards at various hitches, singly or as a team, including the blue for harness tandems. Mr. Gethin also won the four-in-hand event with a nice quartette from the same stable, so that they ranked well up among the best prize winners. Bill, Col. Hogan's favorite bay gelding, won the gig class for horses 15.2 or over as well as the event for hitch to victorias and two other classes. In the ladies' phaeton class the Hogan entry was second to Old Glory, driven by Miss Farrell, the latter horse eventually being adjudged the best single horse in harness and awarded the challenge trophy for such. His victory was no surprise, as he is a grand gelding and a winner in many former shows, both east and west. The Pacific Northwest had another winner in the entry of James Turner of Victoria in the field of three-year-olds or over, 14.2 to 15.2, so that altogether



MRS. ZAPP AND SYLVIA TAKING A JUMP

JUVENILE RIDERS AND THEIR PONIES—NOTE THE "APPOINTMENTS"



OLD GLORY AND UNION JACK

A Pair Whose Colors Flew High at the Exposition Horse Show

Now there is no difficulty in determining what the breeder of Old Glory had in mind when he bestowed that name upon the colt which was in time to become one of America's best known show horses, but the writer is "up against it" in the case of Union Jack; there is only one Old Glory, praise be, but the Union Jack is restricted to no one nation. However, the device most readily brought to mind by the term is the familiar union of the crosses of St. George, St. Andrew and St. Patrick which is the sign manual of the British empire, and we take it that it was in honor of this particular pennant that Union Jack was named. Old Glory and Union Jack! Many and many is the time they have whipped in the breeze after a hardwon victory, and in the hands of Miss Helen Farrell of Portland the horses bearing these names have been victorious in just as hot engagements of their kind as ever fell to the lot of forces under the original ensigns. The pair and their accomplished driver have been familiar figures in prominent exhibitions from coast to coast, and at the exposition horse show were signally successful, each horse numbering a first and a challenge cup among his honors. Perhaps we should not reveal family secrets in this public manner, but it is a well demonstrated fact that the Farrell horses achieve more success in the hands of the daughter than they do when handled by the father or other "mere men," an eloquent tribute to the reinsmanship of the young lady referred to herein.

It must be a source of pleasure to those true lovers of the horse, Mr. Farrell and Miss Helen, to know that the exhibitions of Old Glory and Union Jack have been productive of more than personal pleasure, blue ribbons or silver trophies, for their appearances here, alone, awakened an interest in horseflesh that had lain dormant for some ten years or more. There were many who first visited the horse show from idle curiosity or a tugging at old memories who became constant attendants out of pure interest and enjoyment. Such, in particular, was the case of a reinsman of the pre-motor day who occupied a seat in one of the boxes at the initial performance on September 30. The show opened with the judging of geldings to runabout, and a grand lot they were. In they came to the tanbark, one, two, three, all fine animals. Then came the fourth in a style that drew the attention of all eyes and there was a craning of necks to catch the number which floated from the rear axle. It was number seven, the horse was Union Jack, entered by J. D. Farrell and driven by his daughter Helen. Others came, but Union Jack was performing in challenging style and when the judges finally awarded the blue ribbon to the "ship's stem pennant," not only those in the boxes but in the grandstand as well evidenced their approval by the bestowal of one of the "best hands" that graced any award of the entire show.

That one competition brought at least one man back into the fold of horsemen, the reinsman referred to above. As the event progressed he became more and more interested, more restless, too—he had something on his mind. As the horses were driven from the arena he found relief in words, as he exclaimed with ringing emphasis: "I must have a horse. I've been hurtling through space as fast as ninety miles an hour in a motor car, and enjoying it, but all along I have been missing something and now I know what it is. I'm not knocking my car but there is one essential thing it lacks, and that is l-i-f-e. Union Jack's work made my blood tingle; the one place I wanted to be was up behind him with Miss Farrell, or a-hold of those reins. I'd like to drive him around this ring just once. The motor car is all right and it adds zip and snap to life, but after all it is only the horse that gives the real old 'home and fireside' pleasure, comfort and consolation. Watch me grab one!"

Not a day of the show passed that did not find the "comeback" at the ringside and in the barns among the horses, and when closing day came he purchased one of the prize winners and has taken a daily spin through the park to old ocean ever since. This one particular instance was especially noticeable, and no doubt there were any number of similar ones, as the show grew in favor from day to day and numbered among its constant devotees many, many people who in recent years have pinned their faith to the motor propelled vehicle. The horse show is one of the greatest means of popularizing the horse, and when he again "comes into his own" he will owe much to friends like the Farrells, whose garage has merely supplemented, not supplanted, their stable.

But to get back to Miss Farrell's prizewinners, it is interesting to note that they have come rightly by their quality through inheritance. "Pedigree" in show horses counts for less, perhaps, than it does in campaigners on the trotting or running turf, but "blood will tell" in every class. Union Jack is a standard bred trotter, while Old Glory comes of a line that has long been famous in the show ring and on the track. He was bred at Brook Nook Ranche and traces through his sire, Jubilee de Jarnette 2:29¼, direct to Lady de Jarnette 2:28, who was one of the most famous show mares of the seventies and eighties. It is a matter of regret that C. X. Larrabee, Old Glory's breeder and a true horse lover, could not have been on earth and present to join the applause earned by Miss Farrell and her favorites.



THE LADIES' PHAETON CLASS OLD GLORY ON THE RIGHT

MISS FARRELL AND OLD GLORY



MISS FARRELL AND UNION JACK



THE NECESSITY OF ERADICATING FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE.

There are a large number of the diseases of domestic animals, as well as diseases of the human species, which are known to be due to the activities of "germs," minute members of the vegetable and animal kingdom, which may not be visible even with the high-powers of a microscope. Of all these it is doubtful if any is as easily spread as is the foot-and mouth disease. Experience has taught the majority of people the infectious nature of many of the more common human diseases, such as smallpox, scarlet fever, measles, etc., but a great many live-stock owners do not realize that the infectious diseases of their domestic animals are just as easily communicable.

Foot-and-mouth disease attacks cattle, hogs, sheep, and goats, and sometimes other animals, including the human. The disease is highly infectious. The germs may be carried on the shoes, clothing, or bodies of persons; upon the feet or bodies of poultry, birds, dogs, cats, or other animals which may have been in the immediate vicinity of afflicted animals; by insects; by particles of straw or litter which may be carried by the wind; and in many other ways.

Owing to its extremely infectious nature, foot-and-mouth disease, when once started in a community, spreads with great rapidity. An example of this is shown in the recent outbreak, when in less than three months from the first case, and despite every precaution that could be taken by the authorities, the disease had affected animals in 21 states and the District of Columbia.

The results of an investigation as to the means by which the disease was spread during this outbreak disclosed the fact that about one-quarter of all the affected herds were infected by germs carried by persons, although not one single case was found where the infection was carried by inspectors, these men being required to fumigate and disinfect themselves after visiting each farm. In the majority of cases infection was carried by farmers or some member of their household, who, for curiosity or other reasons, visited infected premises, or where persons from infected premises visited other places where animals were confined.

An interesting example of this is found in the fact that the health authorities of Cincinnati, Ohio, were compelled to have an injunction issued restraining a certain stock buyer from going upon any premises containing animals, as it was ascertained that he was spreading the infection.

In one respect foot-and-mouth disease differs from the majority of infectious diseases, in which one attack confers upon the person or animal affected a permanent immunity from future attacks of the same disease. Foot-and-mouth disease does not confer such immunity, at least of a permanent or lasting nature. Animals which may recover from the disease during one outbreak may again be attacked during future outbreaks, or they may even reinfect themselves by means of germs carried upon their own bodies.

Certain persons who recover from typhoid fever are known to be carriers of that disease long after they have ceased to show or feel any evidence of the disease. In this same manner animals which have recovered from foot-and-mouth disease may continue to be a constant menace to the health of other animals with which they may come in contact. It is true that these germ carriers, both animal and human, are not frequently found, but the fact that they exist must be taken into consideration when attempting to eradicate the disease.

An estimate issued by the Department of Agriculture shows there were in the United States on January 1, 1915, a total of 58,329,000 cattle, 64,618,000 swine, and 49,956,000 sheep. All of these animals are susceptible to foot-and-mouth disease, and should this disease be allowed to spread promiscuously over the country it is fair to assume that the majority, if not practically all of these animals, would become affected.

Although the death rate is not large (estimated from 2 to 3 per cent in average outbreaks), every animal attacked by the disease is injured to a greater or less extent. As the disease continues to spread, however, strains of virus passing through successive herds sometimes result in a much more virulent form of the disease, in which the death rate may reach as high as 40 or 50 per cent of the animals attacked.

In Holland, where the disease now exists continuously, cattle are said to be damaged to an extent of $10 each on the average. In Germany, where the same condition exists, the loss is said to average $7 for each head of cattle attacked by the disease. If the disease should become similarly prevalent in the United States the loss sustained on the vast number of cattle would aggregate an immense sum. While swine, sheep, and goats are injured to a less average extent, the injury in the aggregate would amount to many millions of dollars annually. Breeders of swine in the United States are already struggling with hog cholera and other diseases pecuiar to this species, and to permit foot-and-mouth disease to become prevalent might mean a deathblow to the industry.

Nor do the losses end here. Not only is there considerable danger to human life, through infection of children and weak persons, but the economic loss to the dairying and allied industries, the effect on the market price of animals, and the expense and trouble of unavailing but persistent efforts at quarantine which always result would add to the burdens of the producer and the consumer.

Even a superficial study of this question should convince the most skeptical of the necessity of eradicating this disease before it becomes established to the point where eradication is impossible.

Three methods are open by which to control or eradicate an infectious disease, namely, vaccination, quarantine without slaughter, and quarantine with slaughter of all infected or exposed animals.

No vaccine has yet been found which is of value or which will produce a permanent immunity in foot-and-mouth disease. Quarantine without slaughter has been tried in various ways by European countries, and has invariably resulted in permitting the disease to become fastened upon the country employing that method. It has proved impossible to maintain an effective quarantine upon a farm for the long period of time necessary. There remains, then, but one effective method—that of quarantine with slaughter—which is the method now in common use in all countries which have so far successfully coped with the disease.

One large herd of cattle in Chicago was saved from slaughter because conditions made possible methods of quarantine to prevent the spread of the disease. Such conditions would be absolutely impossible on an average farm and far too costly to employ with ordinary cattle. This case, therefore, offers no criterion by which the effectiveness of this method may be judged, and the experience of European countries with farm quarantines is that the disease invariably spreads and gains a lasting foothold. The herd in question, which was held in close quarantine at Chicago for a period of seven months, consisted of over 700 valuable purebred cattle. They were confined in the second story of a tight brick building. A large force of veterinarians and police officers was employed, and no employee or other person was allowed to leave the building until he had been thoroughly fumigated and disinfected. No outside animals—dogs, cats, poultry, or birds which carry the disease from one place to another—could gain access to the building. Conditions for feeding and handling the cattle and disposing of manure and bedding were such that none of it could get out of the building without being thoroughly disinfected. These conditions would be difficult to duplicate outside of a large city and would be impossible to maintain on any farm. Even were it possible to maintain similar quarantine on farms the large number of veterinarians needed to supervise the work could not be obtained, and the heavy expense of maintaining such a quarantine would exceed many times the value of the animals involved. In the case of the large Chicago herd the expense per head amounted to several times the average value of farm cattle.

Owing to the low death rate and the mild form of the disease which is usually manifested at the beginning of an outbreak, the drastic methods of eradication necessary, and the general lack of public knowledge of foot-and-mouth disease, considerable contention is apt to exist wherever those in charge attempt eradication work.

It should be the duty of every interested stock owner or other well-meaning person in affected districts to assist in preventing the spread of foot-and-mouth disease by every available means.

In all such cases it is necessary for the individual to sacrifice his own special interests and to give a spirit of co-operation in these measures which experience with the disease wherever it has occurred shows to be essential to the safety and prosperity of the national cattle-raising and dairy interests.

Every person can help by keeping away from stricken animals. Do not go to see them out of curiosity, and do not permit other members of your household to visit the premises on which such animals are confined. Keep your dogs, cats, chickens, and other domestic animals at home, and keep other people and their animals away from your stock and barns.

Telegraph immediately to the Department of Agriculture at Washington reporting any suspicious cases of sore mouth associated with lameness in your stock. Do not take chances. Delay will save you nothing, and may greatly harm you or your neighbors.

Observe strictly the quarantine regulations and induce your neighbors to do likewise. Experience has shown that where people work with the authorities the loss to the community is trifling compared to what it is when they work against them or show indifference.

If you are feeding skim milk or garbage see that it is thoroughly cooked by boiling before being fed. If there is an outbreak in your vicinity do not permit milk cans or other objects from creameries or other farms to be brought onto your promises.

If the inspector visits your farm aid him in every way to do his work quickly and thoroughly.

If you have not already done so, secure Farmers' Bulletin 666, read it, and assist in desseminating the true information about this disease, for no price is too great to pay to prevent its gaining permanency in this country.

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Maggie Ansel, Prince Ansel's yearling daughter out of Maggie Hall by Moko, purchased some time since by a horseman of Groves, Oregon, was a blue ribbon winner and champion and grand champion standard bred filly at the Oregon State Fair.

T. W. BARSTOW UNCOVERS GOOD PACER.

The San Jose Driving Club put on a pleasant little matinee at the Driving Park in that city last Sunday, the winners of the various events being Loma Logan (Wm. Cecil), Kiss Ka Dee (Ferri), Alto Mack (McCracken) and Lady Barstow (Salazar). The contests were close though in some instances the time was not especially fast, but T. W. Barstow made up for all those deficiencies by supplying speed for the bunch. The track and weather were O.K., and T. W. set sail for the matinee record with the four-year-old All McKinney. Starting to beat 2:12 the lad made the trip in 2:10, after which his owner sent him another mile in 2:08¾ for good measure, this being the local track record for a matinee performance. All McKinney is all his name implies, being intensely bred to the family founder, McKinney 2:11¼. He is by Mr. Barstow's speed sire, Nearest McKinney 2:13¼ and his dam is Mrs. Weller by McKinney. He is a good going fellow and looks like a great prospect for a campaigning horseman to pick up.

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THE "WINDUP" AT LEXINGTON.

Lexington, Oct. 15—Save for the fact that the second division of the 2:10 pace could not be finished, the forty-sixth annual meeting of the K. T. H. B. A. would have been brought to a close last night, the balance of the program having been entirely cleaned up. As it was, only a few spectators journeyed to the track today to see the one heat required for a decision, May Direct winning in time just a trifle better than her fastest trip yesterday. Ed Geers made an unsuccessful trip against the watch with Napoleon Direct in an effort to reduce his record of 2:00¾, while Etawah, starting to beat 2:03¼, trotted in an even 2:03.

Horsemen are shipping out immediately, a number going west to take in the P.-P. I. E. meeting at San Francisco. The final summary:

2:10 pace, purse $1,000, second division (two heats Oct 14):

May Direct, b m by Very Direct.....(Taylor)	1	2	1
Patrick M., br g by Norbells.....(Valentine)	2	1	3
Bessie R., b m by Geo. Sentell.....(Robinson)	3	4	2

Fern Hal, Goldie C., Clara Walker, Elmer Dickson, The Importer also started.

Time—2:05½, 2:05¾, 2:05¼.

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CATTLE SHOW IS IN PROGRESS.

For several days the cattle show at the P.-P. I. E. has been in full swing, almost all the available stabling capacity of the livestock department having been required to house the representatives of the various beef and dairy breeds sent to the event by western farms, as the quarantine limited its participants to animals from sections heretofore and at present free from every trace of foot and mouth disease. Owing to winding up the horse show the report of the present event is deferred until next week. The judging has been pretty well completed, but the prize winners will be on exhibition until next Saturday and a visit to the stables will prove an eye-opener to those not fully familiar with the quality of cattle produced by our home breeders.

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A NEW "INTERNATIONAL" PICTURE.

Pictures of that most popular of all light harness horses, Dan Patch 1:55¼, adorn the walls of many homes and offices throughout the world, for no horse was ever so greatly beloved as grand old Dan. The presence of the racing stable of the International 1:55 Horse Farm on the coast this summer and the recent sensational performances of its members at Los Angeles have awakened new interest in Dan and his get, and the "headquarters" at Minneapolis are besieged with requests for more pictures. To fill this demand Mr. Savage has had prepared in colors a new group picture of the three champions, Dan Patch, George Gano and Minor Heir. Address your request to Mr. Savage at Minneapolis, mentioning the Breeder and Sportsman, and you will receive this picture and some entertaining and instructive literature containing the story of their "making" and their subsequent performances.

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$12,500 REFUSED FOR MARY PUTNEY.

The three-year-old division of the Kentucky Futurity did not furnish as much of a contest as did the two-year-old division but the mile in 2:05½ by the winner, Mary Putney, was one of the most remarkable performances of the week. Dick McMahon, who drove Mary in her races at Columbus, stated that he believed that she could trot in 2:04, and after seeing her go her mile here, I do not think that he was far out of the way when he made that statement. Mary Putney is a trotting freak. She came to the wire strong in her record mile, which by the way is a new record for three-year-old fillies, and trotted the last quarter in 31 seconds. Mr. C. H. Sears, the Fall River, Mass., horseman, who purchased her less than a month ago for $5,000, certainly made a lucky buy when he added Mary Putney to his stable, for she has won all three of her starts, and added $17,500 to his bankroll. After her race here, Mr. Sears was offered $12,500 for the daughter of San Francisco 2:07¾, but refused to let her go, even at that price.—Western Horseman.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

THE B. C. FIELD TRIALS.

[By "Burrard."]

The British Columbia Friend Trials Club held the thirteenth annual trials at Ladner, B. C., on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Oct. 7, 8 and 9, 1915.

The Derby Stake with eight entries was commenced at the Patterson Farm, four miles east of the town, at 10:30 a. m. Thursday. There were between 50 and 60 followers who motored out from Vancouver, a distance of about 20 miles. The trial grounds are on a large delta, divided into large fields set out to stubble or pasture; Mongolian pheasants and Hungarian partridges were quite plentiful, although the scenting qualities were very poor owing to the extreme dryness of the ground and atmosphere and heavy night frosts.

The awards were given out by Mr. C. M. Rolston, assisted by Mr. Norman Lyne, both of Vancouver, men who have had years of experience in the game, and were well received generally.

The first brace was a fine looking, stylish pair of nearly white English setters:

Budge—Kitchener, down at 10:50 to 11:25. These dogs were both very stylish; ranged moderately and had a very pleasing way of going with fair speed; they had little opportunities on birds and there was very little to choose with some advantages to Kitchener.

Pat—Jeff, down 11:40 to 12:15. These dogs embodied the extremes in many ways; Pat ranged closely, showing the effects of heavy cover-hunting, while Jeff, recently returned from the prairies, was extremely wide in range. Pat pointed and was steady, later pointed, flushed and chased; Jeff has a merry manner of going and is very fast. He made a long cast back to the handlers and shortly after was away off side and was out of hand when ordered up.

Spot's Queen—Fred, down 12:18 to 12:55. Fred pointed before released and pointed several times before driven out, the handlers flushed a covey of partridges which he had not been given an opportunity to locate. Queen missed an opportunity to find a covey which laid very close, then pointed nicely, then pointed, flushed and chased. Fred did a great deal of pointing, sometimes flushing and chasing but frequently was unable to raise anything. He was fast, very wide in range and at the end of a very long sprint pointed and flushed two pheasants. He is very timid on birds. Queen was limited on range and speed, showing the result of training on "hardack" territory.

An adjournment was made for lunch, the party motoring to Ladner where a splendid meal was served at the hotels. A couple of cars well filled arriving from Vancouver, joined the party. About three miles out on the Slough road the next brace was put down.

Cheshire Shot—Manly, down 2:38 to 3:15 p. m. This brace put up as good a heat as one will see anywhere, both going far and fast with delightful energy, confidence and dash. Spot having a little advantage in style; Manly going the widest; at one time nearly a mile away, both with excellent nose.

Rip—Lady Belle, down 3:39 to 4:15. This was another case of extremes. Rip at times was fast and stylish but limited in range, he like some of the others has had the most of his training in heavy cover while Belle went out wide and covered a great deal of territory in an easy manner, with considerable style; she pointed once and chased, she pointed again and failed to locate. Rip had one point and was making game when ordered up, both dogs skirted a field in which the gallery raised a large bevy of partridges.

The Second Series—Fred—Jeff down for forty minutes at 4:10. These two were old friends that had not seen each other for some time and trailed each other nearly all the while, taking about equal turns at leading. Neither did as well as in the first series.

Manly—Kitchener got fifteen minutes, commencing at 5:00. Manly did not sustain the excellent reputation he made in the first series; he considerably curtailed his speed and range while Kitchener improved his opportunities by consistently working. He ranged better and demonstrated his scouting abilities.

Lady Belle—Cheshire Spot were allowed fifteen minutes from 5:20. Belle took a right tangent out of the territory, picking up a bird or two, and then doubled back behind the followers. Spot improved the good impression he had previously created by excellent quartering, splendid range and speed and picking up numerous birds which he handled in every degree from a point to a wild chase, giving occasional barks. He fully demonstrated his right to first place in his excellent nose and improvement in speed, range and style.

Summary.

Ladner, B. C., Oct. 7, 1915, Thirteenth Annual Derby for pointers and setters, whelped on or after January 1, 1914, open to the world. Ten starters, 7 English setters, 3 pointers. Judges: C. M. Rolston and N. F. Lyne.

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Budge, white, black and tan English setter dog, by Songhee Chief x Tessie; W. S. Holland, owner, Chas. Murray, handler,

with

Kitchener, white, black and tan English setter dog; Typee Whitestone x Eanham's Lady; Chas. Herman, owner and handler.

Pat, w. and l. pointer dog; Tod Sloan's Son x Queenie; owned and handled by S. L. Howe,

with

Jeff, w. b. & t. English setter dog; Eastview x Princess Betsey; owned by H. Seukler, handled by Chas. Murray.

Spot's Queen, w and l. pointer bitch; owned and handled by Chas. H. Wilson,

with

Fred, w. b. and t. English setter dog; Melrose Mohawk x May; owned by C. A. Godson, handled by Chas. Murray.

Cheshire Shot, w. and l. pointer dog; Sandringham Shot x Coronation Shot; owned and handled by J. E. Owen,

with

Manly, b. w. and t. English setter dog; Melrose Mohawk x May, owned by D. G. MacDonnell, handled by Chas. Murray.

Rip, w. b. and t. English setter dog; Songhee Chief x Tessie; owned and handled by G. W. Hutchings,

with

Lady Belle Lingfield, w. b. and t. English setter bitch; Tony Spot x Lady Lingfield; owned by D. G. Macdonnell, handled by Chas. Murray.

II.

Fred with Jeff,
Kitchener with Manly,
Cheshire Spot with Lady Belle.

Awards.

1. Cheshire Spot. 2. Kitchener. 3. Manly, Lady Belle Lingfield.

All Age Stake.—Open to any setter or pointer. There were eight contestants.

The Winnipeg dog Add with Count as a bracemate had the distinction of opening this stake. They were put down at 10:30 Friday, Oct. 8, ran over stubble and pasture. Both dogs had good range and speed. Add carried a high head and showed his enjoyment by a merry tail. Count was steady to one point, false pointed on more than one occasion and twice steady to flush. Add pointed nicely three times but flushed and chased more.

Lassie and Shotover down 11:20 to 12:50. Lassie is a very stylish little bitch, not very fast and with limited range; she made one very nice point and honored her partner's point very nicely, which courteous act he refused to reciprocate when the opportunity was presented. He had plenty of chances with game, demonstrated he had a good nose, but a bad education, poor range and fair speed.

Fluette and Jim were down for half an hour at 11:55. Both showed well in range, speed and style. Jim got all the bird work, making five steady points; he false pointed occasionally, flushed and chased on one occasion. Fluette acknowledged one point with a very nice back. Her nose was off apparently or she did not seriously consider the necessity for hunting.

Maximus and Spring got a thirty-five minute heat from 2:30 in a nice breeze and leaden sky. Birds were too plentiful to give Maximusa chance to show extreme range which his conformation would indicate him capable of, both dogs had good style and speed. Maximus had seven good points to his credit, he flushed and chased four others. On one occasion coming down wind he ran into a bevy of partridge which got up all around him when he promptly dropped. Spring Maid's nose seemed to be off color, she making only one point when birds were raised.

Second Series.—Add and Jim opened the second series at 3:35 and were given twenty minutes. Both dogs were good in speed, range and style. Add was not up to his first heat, he flushed and chased. Once while Jim was on a steady point he refused to back, ran in, flushing and chasing. Jim did not move a muscle. All through he put up a faultless heat, getting four points which he handled perfectly.

Count and Maximus, down at 4:20 to 4:40. Both dogs improved a little in this heat. Count did not trail as formerly and Maximus got better range. Then both made three nice points, Count backed once and was steady to flush. Maximus' demerits consisted of a couple of chases and unsteady to wing, both dogs, however, are high class animals, stylish, with good range and speed.

Summary.

Ladner, B. C., Oct. 8, 1915. Thirteenth All Age Stake for setters and pointers. Open to the world. Eight entries, six setters and two pointers. Judges: C. M. Rolston and N. F. Lyne.

I.

Add, white and lemon English setter dog; Count Whitestone II. x Miss Winnipeg; owner, Jos. Lemon, Winnipeg; handler, Chas. Murray,

with

Count, w. and lemon English setter dog; Count Whitestone; owned by P. W. Charlston, handled by Chas. Murray.

Shotover, w. and l. pointer dog; Spot's Rip Rap x Wilson's Point; owned and handled by C. A. Godson, Vancouver.

with

Lassie, b. and w. English setter bitch; Powhattan x Ch. Monora, owned by D. G. Macdonnell, handled by Chas. Murray.

Jim, w. and t. English setter dog; Spots Bad Boy : Harper's Nora; T. W. Williams, owner and handler,

with

Fluette, w. and b. pointer bitch; Spots Rip Rap x Jessi Russell; D. G. Macdonnell, owner, Chas. Murray, handler

Maximus, w. and tan English setter dog; Eastview : Westwind II; owned by D. G. Macdonnell, handled by Chas. Murray,

with

Spring Maid, w. and l. pointer bitch; Ch. Spot's Ri Rap x Jessie Russell; owned by H. H. Abbott, handle by Chas. Murray.

II.

Add with Jim,
Count with Maximus.

Awards.

1. Jim. 2. Maximus. 3. Count.

Shooting Dog Stake.—Open to any dog. To be handled by amateur members of B. C. F. T. Club to be judged as a shooting dog. As there is no well defined standard by which a shooting dog is to be judged there was naturally some difference of opinion existing until the awards were announced. Some handlers contended that a few good points nicely handled in a stylish manner should carry more weight than mere quantity. Judging from the awards one would suppose that the opportunities to secure birds were considered of more importance than the quality of the work.

Jack Revere and Don were the first brace, and were put down at 10:25 to 11:10 Saturday morning near the Smellie ranch. Jack got two points over which the birds could be shot, range good. Don was strange to his handler, he has fair range and speed, made one shootable point.

Lassie and Obie down 11:15 to 11:50. Both dogs were good in range and speed. Obie was strange to handler, made two points. Lassie had three to her credit.

Jordan's Nell and Fluette, 12:00. Nell ranged narrow and was not very fast; she made one good point and was steady. Fluette was fast and ranged well, had three good points.

An intermission was made for lunch at Ladner, after which a start was made in the Slough road, about three miles out, with:

Add and Jordon's Queen at 2:20 to 2:45. Add located and pointed four points over which birds could be had, while Queen found and held two. A great many birds were available in this heat.

Spot's Queen and Shotover were put down in stubble at 3:00. Queen pointed twice, flushed and chased several times. Shotover made ten points, eight of which were very good. Some reasonably nice bird work was done by Shotover, his speed and range were both good.

Second Series.—Jack Revere and Lassie ran from 3:45 to 4:10. Both ranged well and were fast. Jack backed Lassie, then stole the point and flushed, both were steady to wing. Lassie got three points.

Fluette and Shotover, 4:15 to 4:45. This was a beautiful working pair of dogs, their range and speed was very good and both were very sylish, Fluette doing some exceptionally beautiful work; both were steady to flush, although both had one unsteady point. Shotover had two points more to his credit than the bitch.

Summary.

Shooting Dog Stake, by the B. F. Field Trial Club held at Ladner, B. C., Oct. 9. Ten entries—five English setters, one Gordon setter and four pointers. Judges: C. M. Rolston and N. F. Lyne.

I.

Jack Revere, w. b. and t. English setter dog; Paul Revere x Lady Belle; owned and handled by T. Williams,

with

Don, w. and b. pointer dog; owned by W. Hancock, handled by J. E. Owen.

Lassie, b. and w. English setter bitch; Powhattan x Ch. Monora; owned and handled by D. G. Macdonnell,

with

Obie, w. and b. English setter dog; Scamp x Lottie Gladstone; owned by W. Hodson, handled by J. E. Owen.

Jordon's Nell, b. and w. pointer bitch; owned and handled by Thos. Jordon, Ladner,

with

Fluette, b. and w. pointer bitch; Spot's Rip Rap x Jessie Russell, owned and handled by D. G. Macdonnell.

Jordon's Queen, Gordon setter bitch; owned and handled by Thos. Jordon, Ladner,

with

Add, w. and lemon English setter dog; Count Whitestone II. x Miss Winnipeg; owned by Jos. Lemon, Winnipeg, handled by D. G. Macdonnell, Vancouver.

Spot's Queen, w. and l. pointer bitch; owned and handled by C. H. Wilson, Vancouver,

with

Shotover, w. and l. pointer dog; Tod Sloan x Wilson's Point; owned and handled by C. A. Godson.

II.

Jack Revere with Lassie,
Fluette with Shotover.

Awards.

1. Shotover. 2. Fluette. 3. Lassie.

Charles Murray, the veteran handler, has recently returned from the prairie where he was successful in landing most of the big stakes. He is now located at the Fair Grounds at Ladner, in excellent quarters. He has an exceptionally fine string of dogs, most of them being the property of Mr. D. G. MacDonnell.

This has had a very strenuous season and the derby dogs are worked as fine as old stagers. The head of the kennel Ch. Melrose Mohawk was left in the hands of Mr. Gude, who will hold in condition for the big winter trials in the South.

Two Irish terrier puppies which are of exceptional quality were brought out by Alf Delmont at the recent Toronto show. These puppies, Leeds Tipster and Leeds Belle of Shannon, went from puppy to winners in their class.

SAN JOSE SHOW.

One of the most interesting events of the recent arden City show was the appearance of Failsworth White Knight in the judging ring. It was the first ime the famous English bulldog has appeared in the ing in this country, although he has won sweep- takes in many shows throughout England. He easily vent through to first in winners class and over sev- ral good ones, too.

The exhibit of the Anoakia kennels of Santa Anita is the most elaborate in the history of San Jose hows. Owned by Mrs. Anita Baldwin, the dogs are benched in keeping with her artistic ideas. The ex- hibit was at the southern end of the hall in special benching, upholstered in black felt with trimmings of cardinal felt, the colors of the Anoakia kennels— a red maltese cross on black ground, the famous col- ors of Lucky Baldwin's stable that made turf history more than once—forming a distinctive decorative feature. At the back of the benching was a large screen of cardinal, outlined in black, with a maltese cross outlined in tiny red incandescent lamps. Across the top of the screen was the name of the kennels. Potted shrubs added to the artistic effect and three white-clad attendants completed the display.

Miss Lydia K. Hopkins of Menlo Park had an in- teresting exhibit of toy dogs, among them being her internationally famous Yuen Shi Kai of Braywick, a beautiful reddish golden brown Pekingese spaniel which came from Lady Samuelson's English kennels. Miss Hopkins' entries were in the name of the Sher- wood Hall kennels of which she is the owner. Miss Hopkins is the president of the Pacific Coast Toy Dog Association, the members of which have offered many valuable special trophies for the exhibitors in the toy dog department. Miss Hopkins always has her own special benching which is prettily decorated.

It was a thrilling moment the last night when Chris Shuttleworth declared Failsworth White Knight the best dog in the show. For an hour or more hundred of spectators had stood, figuratively and literally on tiptoe of expectancy for the declaration. Dogs of various breeds, sizes and color had been paraded around the sawdust ring time and time again—they were the winners in the many classes. Dogs they were that experts claim to be the best in quality and breeding ever assembled in a show on the Pacific Coast. Dogs from all over California were in that long-waited-for parade before Judge Shuttleworth. He eliminated them one by one until the list num- bered two—Failsworth White Knight and Havelock Perfection, a beautiful sable and white collie. While the crowd waited in interested silence, he examined each in turn again and again—he stood to one side and reflected upon them and then—the white bulldog was declared the winner.

Anaokia Kennels also won the brace class trophy with two Russian wolfhounds.

EXPOSITION SHOW JUDGES.

There will be but two judges at the Exposition Dog Show, to be held from November 30 to December 1. They will be W. M. Coates, of Vancouver, B. C., for terriers, and J. W. Burrell, of Broomall, Pa., for all other classes of dogs.

Coates has been chairman of the advisory board of the Canadian Kennel Club for three years, and president of that organization for a like period.

Burrell has had many years' experience with the best dogs and leading kennels of the country. He was judge of collies in San Francisco in 1897.

THE PYRENEAN MOUNTAIN DOG.

This is one of the oldest known breeds, and was used to protect the flocks from wolves and bears in former days. Of course, wolves have long been ex- tinct in the Pyrenees and bears are very rare there; but the dogs are useful all the same, for human marauders are to be found even in the most solitary places of the earth. At the end of March the flocks leave the villages for the mountains, where they fol- low the thaw up the slopes, returning in October for the winter. I am familiar with the country (i. e., the French side of the Pyrenees), and carefully col- lected all information about Pyrenean mountain dogs when I decided to try and found a kennel of them in England. People sometimes call them Sheepdogs; this is quite wrong and misleading. In their native country they are always known as "Les Chiens de Montagne," and as there sheep follow the shepherd, Sheepdogs, in our Collie sense of the word, are superfluous. Their attractions are undeniable. Be- sides being beautiful to look at, they are also abso- lutely hardy and healthy, and are far more intelli- gent than any other kind of a big dog that I have ever come across. These points and type have always remained the same. A good specimen must be com- pact with plenty of bone, but not of clumsy build, with a powerful head and small ears. The coat should be long and dense, like a fleece, and pure white, the tail feathery (often with a kink in it), perfectly round feet, and last, but not least, double dew claws.

As I say, the coloring is white, it may be accom- panied by brindle or pale yellow markings, or else remain all white. The females are rather smaller, and have usually rather less coat than the dogs, which resemble small Bernards in size. Their walk is another characteristic (one which English judges find it difficult to understand); it is as though they were picking their way among rocks, and is very dignified. Though making perfect guards, they are most delightful and gentle companions as pets. I have always found them to possess iron constitu- tions and to be easy to rear. My chief difficulty has been to secure perfect specimens that are also un- related. When wolves disappeared from the moun- tains the breed became very rare; till, now that they have been discovered by foreigners, every ani- mal, however inbred or inferior, is carefully kept for sale to the tourist.—Lady Sibyl Grant in "The Field."

THE DUPONT HAND TRAP.

There have been occasional notices lately in the various sporting and daily papers, regarding the growing interest taken broadcast concerning the Du- Pont Hand Trap, and as that most enterprising com- pany has never been known to foist a "dead one" on the public, it may be taken for granted that when it advocates the use of any particular article, full confidence may be reposed on whatever is recom- mended. Trap shooting in the United States has attained such vast proportions today that its votaries are numbered by the tens of thousands, and there is hardly a village, however small, that is not equipped with some sort of shooting ground—good, bad or in- different. Up to date, however, the general style of shooting at flying targets has all been of the same kind—a sort of stereotyped regulation brand, admit- tedly good enough practice as a target shooting and target breaking game, but obviously not a style of shooting best suited to perfecting its votaries in ac- quiring the most essential knowledge in handling and shooting the sportsman's recognized and ac- knowledged double barrel game gun. So, when it was announced that Mr. and Mrs. Ad. Topperwein were going to give an exhibition of fancy shooting on the grounds of the Golden Gate Gun Club, in San Francisco on the 10th of this month, and moreover as that date was selected as "Beginners' Day," many who take but little interest and no enthusiasm in the usual style of target shooting came out to the club, and, I am sure, spent a pleasant and I hope profitable time in viewing the shooting. Nothing that I could say would add one particle of luster, nor even in- formation, regarding the splendid marksmanship of the two greatest stars in their particular line this, or any other country, has ever known, so I will merely record that this unique exhibition was simply a repetition of what those celebrities perform at all times and under all conditions— the whole perform- ance going through in that slap-bang, offhand manner, that makes the most difficult shots appear easy, illus- trating from every point of view that both are mas- ters of the game as well as of their weapons.

In the regular 100 target club event, Mrs. Topper- wein ground out 97, which is about her regular, every day gait, and so long as the present rules governing trap shooting are in vogue, everyone who would learn to handle a shotgun properly could do no bet- ter than copy this charming, amiable woman's style. When it comes to fancy shooting with rifle and pistol, with only her husband as a competitor, her great skill is not so apparent, because as a fancy shot he has all along been her instructor, and is a marvel himself; but when in competition with either professional or amateur members of any gun club—then Mrs. Top. shines as a brilliant star, with never a woman in her class.

By the way, there was another 97 made that day under precisely the same conditions, and who do you thing turned the trick? Why, the redoubtable Tony Prior, who during the whole season has, all along, landed just one point behind the winner, whether at pigeons, double or single targets, it has been the ding-dong same Tony—one point shy, and only one point, mind you.

So, being high amateur, Tony waltzed off with the Dupont spoon, while his son, E. T. Prior, by scoring 20 out of 25 targets, carried off the Dupont watch fob, being the highest in the "Beginners'" class. It was a good day for the Prior family, especially as the lad, who is in his teens, showed himself worthy of his sire.

Of course, I could have got to the point much sooner and started right off with a few remarks about the hand trap; but then, I could not skip the Topperweins nor the Prior kid, so please excuse me.

Well, when one says "hand trap" the mind instinct- ively reverts to Jack Fanning, for he has most un- doubtedly put a few kinks and flourishes in the flight of the targets thrown by it, that will puzzle anyone, regardless of age, color, creed or previous reputation, real or faked, and therein lies its principal charm; and where it proves itself at once and for all the very finest kind of contrivance so far known, by which one can actually learn to handle and shoot a game gun under game and field conditions.

Fanning simply gloats and revels in his work, and while he does not serve impossible shots, i. e., throw targets so low that one can't be fast enough to catch them, yet he does spin out some artful dodgers that tax the skill of the very best and quickest shots, and it is no disgrace to be baffled by such erratic flights and curves, high and low, sideways, coming from behind as they do and darting by in all directions and angles, fast and slow, up and down—any old way.

Now it stands to reason that this kind of practice is of inestimable value, and from any standpoint the most admirable way of practicing field shooting dur- ing the close season so as to be ready for anything when the time arrives. In the hand trap shooting both barrels are allowed, which is a very wise pro- vision, for it teaches the prompt and accurate deliv- ery of the second load, an inestimable asset in all kinds of game shooting afield.

Furthermore, the hand trap itself is inexpensive, not bulky, easily carried and always ready at a mo- ment's notice, and any one after a little practice can at any rate handle it well enough, although, of course, to make it do such duty as Fanning exacts from it is quite another story, for he actually "plays" on it, as would a musician on his favorite instrument, giving one such lively erratic offers, that one actually for- gets he is shooting at a mere saucer.

It is quite safe to say that one can acquire more actual, serviceable field practice shooting at 500 tar- gets from a hand trap, by making the flights difficult, irregular as to direction, speed, elevation, and time of starting—i. e., being sprung—than one can possibly gain from shooting from now until doomsday at reg- ulation targets and angles with the gun to the shoul- der—one shot only allowed, and very little variation in flight on all calm days. These remarks apply ex- clusively to practice, not to any kind of open compe- tition, because the mere fact that some rule as to elevation, distance, speed etc., etc., must perforce govern to make all contestants shoot on an even keel, would at once emasculate the very raison d'etre of the hand trap, which is an outlaw in trap- shooting parlance, as it acknowledges no set rules nor does it abide by any printed regulations, but rather is a handy, simple, inexpensive little machine that, with proper treatment and a liberal supply of "pep" in the operator, will surely teach beginners to handle their double guns, and improve the skill of the most proficient veterans. The question resolves itself into whether a man wants to learn to break a whole lot of targets under existing rules and regula- tions, which is obviously a most laudable endeavor, although not conducive in developing the best there is in the shooter, there being too much sameness one shot with another—or whether he desires to become a good rough and ready game shot, pure and simple, one well able to take care of himself in any company, whether upland or wildfowl shooting, albeit in no way detracting from the stand-in-a-row, gun-to-the-shoul- der, word-of-command style now in vogue and in which so many excel; but it is a display of a lament- able lack of skill when, for example, a busy, whirring, darting quail has the audacity to spring from an un- expected spot, at an unannounced moment, and sail gracefully away without having had the common po- liteness to wait until the disconcerted nimrod had said "Pull!" Very rude, of course, but the hand trap that, gives no warning, waits for no command, send- ing the target anywhere, anyhow and at any moment, prepares one admirably for all such emergencies. So I say, All hail, the Hand Trap!!

GAUCHO.

At the Traps

Near Los Angeles.—Notwithstanding that it was the first open Sunday on quail and ducks, twenty- four target shooters turned out at the Vernon Gun Club to match their skill shooting the elusive black- bird, which has no closed season on this coast.

Wilshire, McMurry, Groat and Dr. Bishop, after the smoke cleared, were found tied at 48 breaks for the Stanton A. Bruner challenge trophy, event 1.

Ties were shot off at 25 targets and a second tie resulted between Groat and Dr. Bishop.

As Groat was obliged to leave the grounds in order to catch a train, the tie between him and Dr. Bishop will be decided tomorrow on the first 25 birds shot in the regular event. The scores follow, event two being practice shooting:

R. L. Hall	50	46	..	..
J. C. Perceval	50	44	..	..
George Keeny	50	44	..	..
J. D. Dierdorff	50	47	..	..
C. Linderman	50	43	..	..
R. I. Keeton	..	..	25	15
George Oliver	40	37	..	..
Godfrey Knutson	..	..	..	..
Peter Person	..	..	25	10
A. W. Bruner	50	41	100	86
William Pugh	50	42	25	21
W. G. Brown	..	..	25	10
W. T. Dougherty	50	40	75	55
W. H. Wilshire	50	48	25	21
Less McMurry	50	48	25	22
Dr. Packard	50	44	..	..
O. A. Evans	50	47	..	..
C. E. Groat	50	48	50	45
George Cline	..	..	75	57
J. L. Smith	..	..	75	35
C. J. Shaul	..	..	50	26
Dr. Bishop	50	48	..	..
Fred Kimble	..	..	25	21

Following is the score for ties in the cup match, shot at 25 targets: W. H. Wilshire 21, Less McMurry 22, C. E. Groat 24, Dr. Bishop 24.

Dr. Packard wins A class and watch fob. Less McMurry wins B class and watch fob. C. E. Groat and Dr. Bishop tie for C class and watch fob. W. T. Dougherty wins D class and watch fob.

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Garden City Closes Season.—The season of the San Jose Blue Rock Club terminated with its final shoot last Sunday, the scores being as follows:

George H. Anderson 90—100, C. H. Nash 89—100, A. F. Baumgartner 88—100, C. R. Arques 87—100, Dr. Barker 41—50, William McKagney 40—50, S. Tomp- kins 38—50.

Doubles, 24 pair—George H. Anderson 41—48; Wil-

liam McKagney 40—48, A. F. Baumgartner 35—48, Dr. Barker 33—48, C. R. Arques 32—48.

Charles H. Nash made a straight run of 50.

Many good scores were made and considerable improvemept noted during the past six months. The trophies were well distributed. Dr. A. M. Barker was high in class A and was closely pressed by C. H. Nash and George H. Anderson. E. W. Jack won first in class B and Clem Arques first in class C.

Charles H. Nash won the Santa Clara county championship seven times out of 12; E. W. Jack, the handicap; George H. Anderson, doubles championship; Mrs. Ada Schilling, the trophy for the greatest number of shots for 1915; Dr. A. M. Barker, long run (60 straight on June 20); C. H. Nash, second long run (55); George H. Anderson, third (48); A. F. Baumgartner 44, Mrs. Schilling 43, C. R. Arques 31, E. W. Jack 30.

Class A, 12 best scores:

A. M. Barker	295	300	A. F. Baumgartner	284	300
C. H. Nash	293	300	J. T. Douns	281	300
Geo. H. Anderson	292	300	R. C. Hogg	277	300
Mrs. Ada Schilling	288	300			

Class B, 12 best scores:

E. W. Jack	285	300	W. J. McKagney	280	300

Class C, 12 best scores:

C. R. Arques	280	300	H. S. Anderson	225	300
H. H. Clark	250	300	F. Riegel	220	300
John Guilbert	230	300			

Handicap, 12 scores (Class A had two "dead" added; class B, 4; and class C, 6):

E. W. Jack, class B	299	300
C. R. Arques, class C	295	300
George Anderson, class A	201	300
Charles H. Nash, class A	294	300
A. F. Baumgartner, class A	282	300
A. M. Barker, class A	289	300
Mrs. Ada Schilling, class A	291	300

The doubles championship of Santa Clara county:

Geo. Anderson	237	288	A. M. Barker	211	288
A. F. Baumgartner	219	288			

Santa Clara county championship, 12 matches—C. H. Nash won 7, A. M. Barker 3, A. F. Baumgartner 2.

C. H. Nash's winning scores were 25, 25, 24, 23, 24, 24, 25. A. M. Barker's, 24, 24, 23. A. F. Baumgartner's, 25, 23.

On October 24 Mr. and Mrs. Ad. Topperwein will give a free exhibition at the San Jose Blue Rock Club. Mr. Topperwein is the world's greatest rifle and pistol shot. Mrs. Topperwein is the world's greatest professional lady shot. They are just finishing a tour of America. Mrs. Topperwein has qualified as an expert marksman, shooting with the United States soldiers at two, three, and five hundred yards. Each exhibition given by these two great experts with rifle and revolver is done with solid bullets.

The first squad in a 500 blue rock exhibition shoot, October 24, will be composed of five corking good shots—Mrs. Ad. Topperwein; Mrs. Ada Schilling of San Jose, lady champion amateur of the Pacific Coast; H. E. Poston, R. C. Reed, and O. N. Ford of San Jose. Squad No. 2 will be the champion squad of the San Jose Blue Rock Club, headed by Charles Knight.

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Beginners' Day Was a Hit.—Many trapshooting clubs throughout the country held a "Beginners' Day" during the late summer. The idea proved to be a fascinating one and many persons faced the traps for the first time.

Reports show that there was hardly a locality that didn't hold such a shoot. In many cases women participated.

A record of all shoots showed that 6,784 men and 522 women took part, which emphasizes the increased interest in learning to shoot.

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At the annual meeting of the Nemours Trapshooting Club the following officers were elected to serve for one year: Mrs. Harry White, president; Dr. Florence Seward, vice-president; Miss Harriet D. Hammond, corresponding secretary; Miss Marie V. Lannan, recording secretary; Miss Celeste D. Gentieu, treasurer.

The club decided to hold regular meetings the second Monday in every month at the homes of the members and combine business and pleasure by having a little social evening each month after the business meeting.

The following handicap committee was appointed, consisting of Miss H. D. Hammond, Miss Amy Cchofield and Miss Marie V. Lannan.

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Yale Holds First Shoot.—The first practice shoot of the year was held at New Haven Wednesday, when a large squad of shooters reported to Captain E. Lyman Jr. The scores were unusually good for so early in the season and Coach Von Lengerke is confident of producing a team that will be a strong contender for the intercollegiate championship.

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Beginners' Shoot at Cornell.—The first student shoot at Cornell will be held October 23, when a Beginners' contest will take place over the Lakeside traps. The beginners will shoot according to class and trophies have been provided for the five highest shooters on the winning class team. G. T. Hecht, '17, is arranging the details of the shoot and Samuel Walden '16 will be on hand to instruct the new shooters.

TWO DAYS WITH THE "CANS."

I had been longing for some time for a good duck hunt, and when Germain Carp invited me up to the S—— Gun Club for a two-days' shoot I quickly accepted the bid, and promised to meet him at the depot next morning. I had "blew" myself for a new automatic a few days previous, and thought of no better way to initiate it than amongst the canvasbacks in San Pablo bay.

The club boasted of one of the finest preserves on San Pablo bay, and was composed of some of the keenest sportsmen I ever had the pleasure to meet. It was not their desire to slaughter right and left, but to enjoy a few days shooting once or twice a month, which seemed a treat after being penned up in offices in a busy city day in and day out.

Fred, unlike his brother, cared little for hunting, so leaving him behind to keep house, we packed our decoys, ammunition and guns in the little flat-bottomed skiff, and waving a farewell, pulled for the blind.

The day was ideal; clouds hung over the horizon, and there was just enough breeze to make the water choppy and keep the birds on the wing. The club owned several "blinds" which were built so they floated low on the water. An anchor on each end kept them in position, and the sides were well covered with tules, so they resembled small islands. Two of the "boys" had come down the night before, and some sharp reports in the direction of one of the blinds was evidence of "something doing."

A few minutes' row, and we were busily employed setting out decoys, for it was after one o'clock and the birds were commencing to work inshore looking for a good place to feed. Every evening during the week the water around each blind was strewn with rolled barley, which sinks and tends to keep the birds inshore. Seated comfortably in the blind, we were prepared for the sport that was to come.

A sharp whisper, and a "dig in the ribs," warns me of an approaching bunch of "cans." Looking over the edge of the blind I perceived about a dozen fine birds coming "dead on" for the decoys, not twenty feet in the air. On they came and as a pair of grand old drakes swung by my end, I brought my sight on a level with the chestnut head and quickly drawing a bit ahead fired. He collapsed like a "rag," while the other one withered in the air, twenty feet beyond. Germain had not been idle, for over on his quarter a couple of beauties lay wildly fanning the air with their black paddles.

The tide was running out like a mill-stream, and our "kill" were some hundred yars away before we picked them up. Looking back we saw a couple of bluebills hover over our decoys for an instant, and the next moment drop in amongst them. What can be more exasperating than to have a bunch of ducks calmly light in your decoys when you are completely out of range of them? They soon saw their mistake and with a sharp whistle they were off for some feeding ground more neutral. I sent a charge of fives after them but it only hastened them on.

We had just reached the blind when a saucy little butterball came skimming over the water at a "2:40 clip." He probably had a pressing engagement in some choice feeding ground and was losing no time in making connections. As he passed by us at forty yards Germain remarked, "Watch me pulverize him." Leveling his trusty old "pump," he gave him a good lead and fired. After making a few startling somersaults, our webfooted friend struck the water and was under like a flash. In a few seconds he came up like a rubber ball, within a dozen yards of us, but we both decided he had earned his liberty. He gave a few startled glances in our direction, and was up and off, a scared but wiser individual. I have no doubt but that they are the hardest birds to kill in the whole duck family. I have hit them with two charges of shot, and then had them flop out of range and escape? As Germain said, "All they are made of is a 'bunch of feathers and a piece of gall.'"

Towards evening we had some fine shooting. Out of a bunch of three bluebills I managed to drop two, but when a flock of "cans" came over a few minutes later, I openly made a clean miss out of three shots, which made me think of that old saying, "To miss is mystery. To hit is history." Germain was in fine form that day, killing twenty-two birds out of a possible twenty-five.

About five o'clock the tide was running out so rapidly that we decided to pull for land. Even before we were in the club house our blind was high and dry. Fred had prepared a fine spread for us and when the other boys came in we certainly did justice to it. Lamb chops, fried spuds, canned corn, hot French bread and coffee, was the menu, and it could not have tasted better to our keen appetites had it been served in the best grill in the city.

Supper over, we "drew" our birds and compared strings. Germain and I totaled up thirty-eight "cans" and bluebills, while the other two fellows went us twelve better. We were all satisfied with the day's sport, and hoped the morrow would net us as well. Dishes were washed and put away, and all hands sat down to a friendly game of cards. One of the boys opened up a box of cigars, and we all smoked to his health "tul" the clock striking eleven warned us of the strenuous day before us. I was soon asleep, dreaming of all kinds of impossible shots, and I don't think I moved till I heard someone calling "breakfast." We were all dressed in a hurry, for there was a streak of dawn over towards the eastern hills. Steaming coffee, ham and eggs and hot biscuits put us in good condition for the day's work. It was just daylight when we finished placing our decoys, but there was not a breath of air stirring and the bay was as smooth as glass. We got very little shooting till after nine o'clock, when a passing launch frightened a few flocks toward us. A bunch of "cans" drifted in and hovered over our decoys, presenting a beautiful shot. We poured six shots into them, and they departed after leaving five of their members in a hopeless condition.

That ended the shooting till afternoon, when we shot a pair of sprig that gave us a chase over about ten acres of water before we managed to kill them. A duck when slightly wounded can swim under water nearly as fast as a man can row a boat, especially against the tide. There was nothing much doing the rest of the afternoon, so about 4:30 we pulled in our decoys and rowed for the shore. We had covered about half the distance, when Germain called my attention to a lone bluebill that was flying over us at a height that seemed well out of range. Hastily slipping in fives I gave him a good lead and pressed the trigger. For an instant the bird seemed to hover in midair. Then dropping his head he came down like a chunk of lead. On examining him we found where a single shot had penetrated his head. That was the only visible mark we could find. It was a chance shot.

The other boys came in shortly after we landed, and then it was hurry scurry to get cleaned and catch our train. "Old John," the good-natured keeper, came in just as we were leaving and helped us to the train with our game.

Germain and I had a total of sixty-two birds, while the other two fellows had a string of seventy-one birds. We were all satisfied with our two-days' sport, and there was no one on the train that could show a better bunch than we carried home. After a hearty handshake, I bid my good friends adieu and wended my way through the crowded streets. I don't know of anybody that could have been prouder than I, as I swaggered down the street with my string of thirty-one birds carelessly thrown over my shoulder.

FLY CASTING CONTESTS.

The final regular medal contests of the San Francisco Flycasting Club took place at Stow lake Saturday afternoon and Sunday forenoon last. After the final "make up dates" are cast and the ties, if any, cast off, the winning rodsters for this season will be announced. Event 1, light tackle accuracy percentages; event 2, dry fly accuracy percentages; event 3, ¼-ounce lure casting accuracy percentages; event 4, average distance in feet, ¼-ounce lure; event 5, light tackle distance in feet; event 6, salmon tackle flycasting distance in feet.

The "slam" cast ¼-ounce lure, Saturday scores were: Forbes 145 feet, Davis 140, Wekell 141, Burgin 120, Forbes 100. Sunday scores: Forbes 145, Davis 130, Gardner 120, Kewell 125, Burgin 95.

"In and out" points—Davis 6, Forbes 4, 3; Kewell 1, Burgin 6, Gardner 3, Brookes 1, Rogers 1; six other entrants scored goose eggs. The scores for the two days follow:

Saturday Contest No. 10, Stow Lake, October 16, 1915. Wind, southwest. Weather, cloudy.
Judges, W. A. Thomsen Jr., C. H. Kewell, Joe Springer. Referee, W. J. Davis Jr. Clerk, Chas. E. Hills Jr.

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6
W. J. Davis Jr.	99.29	99.3	98.5	113	93	...
C. H. Kewell	99.36	99.	97.1	133	80	112
F. A. Webster	99.32	98.13	98.9	...	85	115
S. Forbes	99.24	98.10	98.	123	...	110
J. F. Burgin	99.16	98.7	98.4	108	...	120
C. G. Young	99.16	97.13	.....	.....	...	120
F. H. Reed	99.8	08.8	.....	.....	.....	...
H. A. Thomsen Jr.	98.56	99.	.....	.....	80	110
J. Springer	98.52	98.6	93.	...	80	121
E. A. Rogers	98.44	98.8	.....	.....	...	137
Back scores—						
F. A. Webster	99.40	99.2	96.4	...	81	110
C. H. Kewell	99.12	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
F. H. Reed	98.44	98.14	.....	.....	.....	...
J. Springer	.....	.....	96.1	.....	...	122
S. Forbes	.....	.....	.....	135	...	...
J. F. Burgin	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	114
W. J. Davis Jr.	.....	.....	.....	.....	96	...
H. A. Thomsen Jr.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	123

Sunday Contest No. 10, Stow Lake, October 17, 1915. Wind, southwest. Weather, cloudy.
Judges, H. A. Thomsen, Joe Springer, J. F. Burgin. Referee, W. J. Davis Jr. Clerk, Chas. E. Hills Jr.

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6
W. J. Davis Jr.	99.40	98.10	97.5	104	86	108
S. Forbes	99.32	99.2	98.7	133	109	115
C. H. Kewell	99.24	98.6	98.5	130	95	116
J. F. Burgin	99.24	98.9	96.7	65	90	115
H. A. Thomsen Jr.	99.16	98.8	.....	...	89	112
C. G. Young	99.8	98.	.....	.....	.....	...
F. H. Reed	99.8	98.13	.....	.....	.....	...
C. H. Gardner	99.4	.....	99.3	111	...	100
Dr. W. E. Brookes	99.	99.1	.....	.....	.....	...
J. Springer	98.40	99.2	93.8	...	86	117
E. A. Rogers	98.24	98.1	.....	.....	98	134
J. B. Kenniff	.....	.....	.....		105.6	
Back scores—						
C. H. Gardner	99.12	.....	99.2	...	...	...
Dr. W. E. Brookes	99.12	98.9	.....	.....	.....	...
F. H. Reed	98.40	93.3	.....	.....	.....	...
E. A. Rogers	.....	98.12	.....	.....	.....	148
H. A. Thomsen Jr.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...
S. Forbes	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	...

FIXTURES.

Registered Tournaments — Pacific States and Territories:

November 2—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 15, 16, 17—The Arizona State Tournament, scheduled for Tucson, Ariz., November 5, 6, 7, has been transferred to Phoenix, Ariz., under the auspices of the Phoenix Gun Club, and the dates changed to November 15, 16, 17. Sunday, November 14, practice day.

THE FARM

FROST PROTECTION WORK.

With the approach of the period of frost occurrence action is being taken to extend the frost protection work of the weather Bureau.

In the fall this work is confined largely to the protection of tobacco, cranberries, alfalfa seed, tomatoes, etc. Considerable extensions of the service in the large tobacco-growing sections of the Connecticut Valley and southern Wisconsin have recently been authorized, and action is now being taken to organize a similar service in the tobacco districts of Kentucky.

Some extensions have been made last year in the cranberry protection work in New Jersey and Massachusetts. A similar service in the cranberry marshes of Wisconsin has been maintained for a number of years.

Early frosts in the western mountain districts where alfalfa seed is largely produced frequently cause serious loss, which, however, can be overcome to a great extent if the alfalfa is cut before their occurrence, as the seed will ripen afterwards. On this account special forecasts are now being made for some of the more important districts whenever the conditions favor the occurrence of frost at critical periods and interested persons are notified in time to secure their crop from serious injury.

A similar service is maintained in some of the districts where tomatoes are extensively grown for canning purposes. The protection of fruits from the frosts of early spring is also being studied further by the bureau. Additional temperature surveys of some of the more important fruit districts have recently been authorized, notably in the Rogue River Valley of Oregon, in the Salt River Valley near Phoenix, Ariz., and in some portions of southern California.

Assistant Farm Advisor Dougherty has lined up about 350 walnut trees on which the growers will keep records. Mr. Dougherty takes notes on the size and vigor of the tree, the type and quality of the nuts, the methods of culture, and the relative amount of blighted nuts. The growers weigh the nuts as picked up and record the weight on a card attached to the trung of each tree. The object of this work is to show that some trees in the orchard are "boarders," that some barely pay expenses, and that others are profitable and worthy of propagating. The citrus growers who are practicing tree-record work in the county have already begun to work-over some trees, and it is hoped that the result of this walnut record work will show the desirability of the walnut growers doing likewise.—William B. Parker, Farm Advisor, Ventura county.

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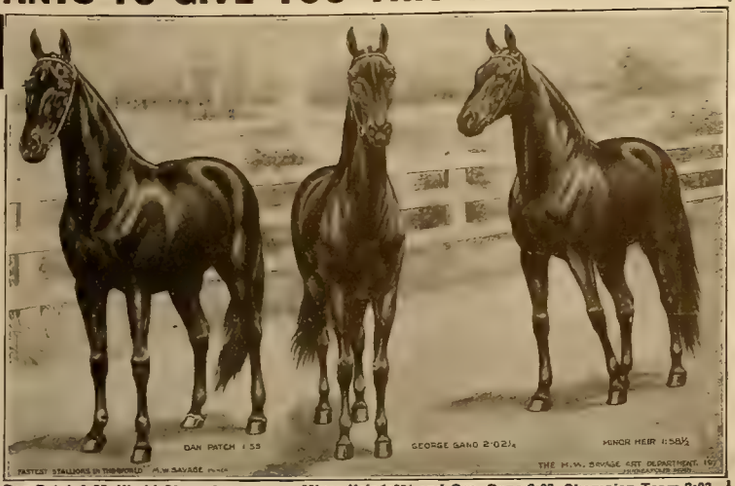
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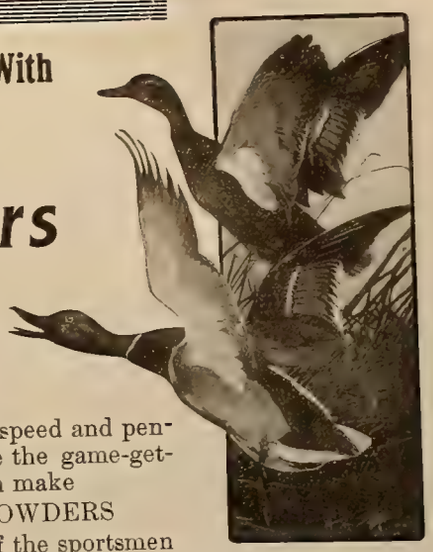
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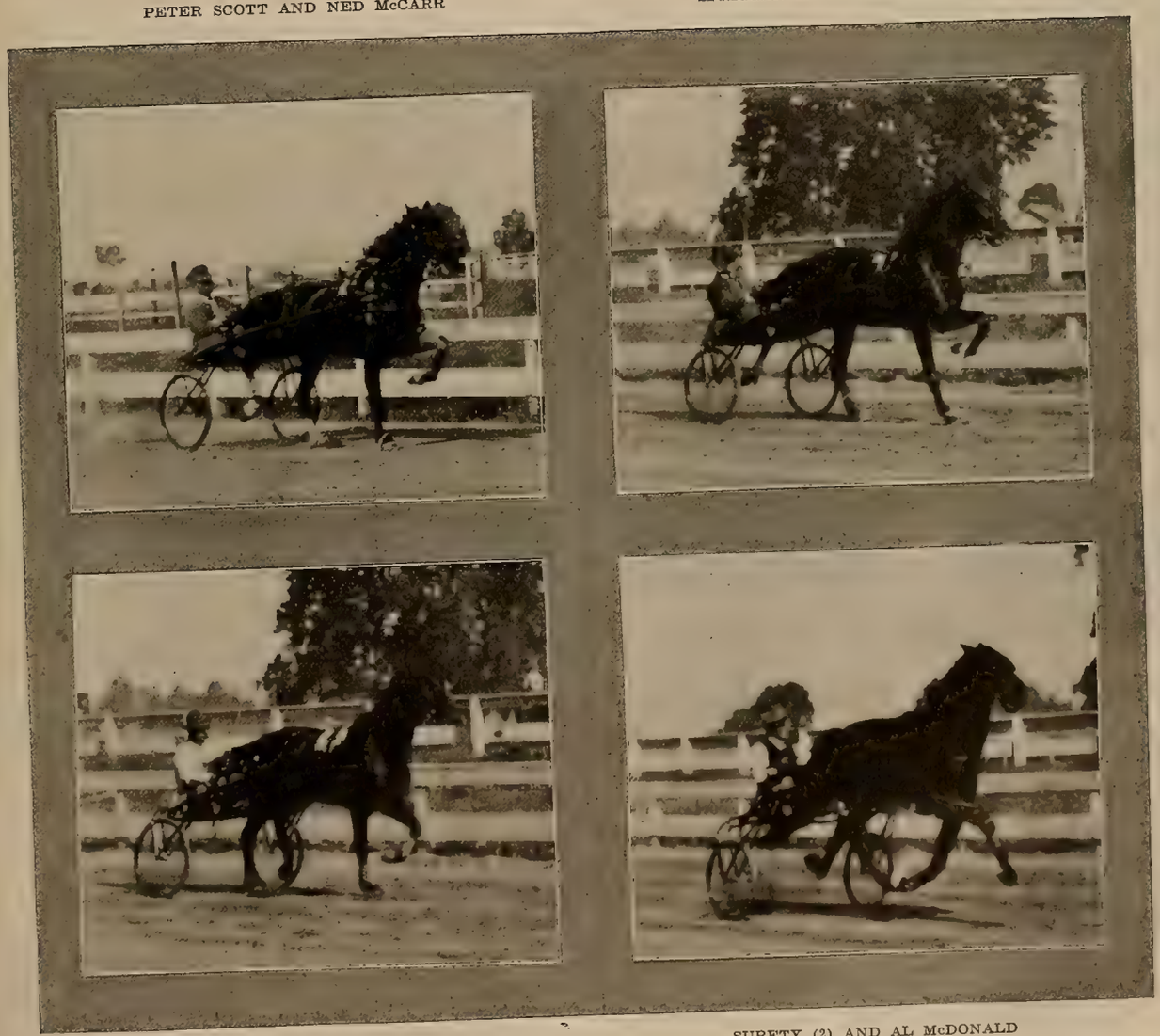
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From C. L. DeRYDER, Agent:

El Volante S., b h, (5) by El Volante (3) 2:13¼, dam Seville by Strathway; 2nd dam by Simmons; 3rd dam by Baron Wilkes; 4th dam by Mambrino Patchen. One of the handsomest horses in California and with limited training as a three-year-old showed a mile better than 2:20. Stright and sound every way and a pick-up for any one wanting a fine, well-bred young stallion.

Bay Filly, (2), trotter, by Zombro 2:11; dam Katherine A. by Diablo 2:09¼. With a very limited training as a two-year-old showed a quarter in 36 seconds. Has never been trained since and is sound and straight every way. Full sister to Zomerine S. (3), trial 2:16.

Two-year-old filly by The Bondsman, dam Rosemary 2:25 by Raymon 2:27¼; nicely broken as a yearling, since when she has been on pasture.

Blanca S. (5) by Red McK. 43766, dam Katherine A. by Diablo 2:09¼; a show mare, never trained for speed.

Katherine A., brood mare by Diablo 2:09¼, dam by A. W. Richmond.

Rosemary 2:25, brood mare, by Raymon 2:27¼, dam Black Bess by Guide 2:16¼.

Dr. Dawson, bay gelding, pacer, trial 2:11¼, by Del Coronado 2:09½; never raced, but has the speed to win; one to buy to race next year; level headed and free legged.

Black mare, five-year-old, by Oh So 2:25½, and two of her produce, an unbroken two-year-old by Directly 2:03¼ and a weanling by Vernon McKinney 2:01½. Right all around.

Crabtree's Gift, broodmare, by Hedgewood Boy 2:01, dam Trusty Maud 2:24¼ by Beaumont, grandam Flo M. by Keeler 3465.

Prince Del Monte, ch g, trotter, foaled 1906 (tr. 2:15½), by Kinney Lou 2:07¾. Prince Del Monte is a full brother to Della Lou 2:15¾. He is handsome enough for a show horse and gentle enough for a lady to ride or drive. Sound in every respect and is sold to settle an account.

Leola Lou, gr m, trotter, by Kinney Lou 2:07¾; dam Princess Leola by Lionel K., son of Bay Rose 2:20½; 2nd dam Lady Menlo by Menlo 13028 by Nutwood 600. She is a fine, large road mare, gentle for a lady to drive and has been used exclusively by Mrs. MacKenzie. She is sold for no fault.

Asa Pointer, bay gelding, by Star Pointer 1:59¼, dam Eva H. by Washington McKinney 2:17½. This is a very fast son of the old original two-minute pacing king and has shown himself to be possessed of a great flight of speed, as he has a public work to his credit of 2:06¼.

Bay horse, by Copa de Oro 2:01, one of the best present day sires of speed in California.

Bay filly, yearling, by Graham Bellini (3) 2:11¼.

Filagree (registered broodmare), by Beau B.

From BUDD DAVIS, Caldwell, Idaho:

McGregor Bond, 60149, b g by The Bondsman; dam Gregan by Steinway 2:25¾; 2nd dam Maggie McGregor by Robert McGregor 2:17½, etc. He is a nice, fine looking two-year-old, just nicely broken but has never been trained. A better bred or finer looking colt does not live, and with just a little training will show enough to make him worth while.

Brown Filly (2), trotter, by The Bondsman, dam Ava J. 2:28 by Zombro 2:11; 2nd dam Ventura by Secretary. She is a little beauty and is sure to make a trotter. She is by The Bondsman and her dam is by Zombro 2:11, McKinney's best son.

From E. A. SWABY, Dixon:

Roan mare (6) by San Francisco 2:07¾, dam Birdie (dam of Bodaker 2:13) by Jay Bird 5060; grandam Lady Lyle by Geo. Wilkes 2:22. Bred right, handsome, 16 hands, 1100 lbs., a trotter, sound, gentle for road use and broken to ride. You will like her.

From T. D. SEXTON, Oakland:

Lucretia Bond (3), br f by The Bondsman, dam Lucretia 2:13¼ by Nazote 33527 (full brother to Azote 2:04½), grandam Lucyneer by Electioneer 125. Here is a nice filly for someone, a little beauty and making speed every day. It is safe to say that she will show better than a twelve gait by the day of sale. Don't overlook her.

From MRS. C. L. JONES, Modesto:

Johnny, a standard bred gelding, has worked in 2:20 pacing, but is now a full fledged saddle horse. He goes that old Kentucky single foot as oily as can be, and will soon show all five gaits. A nice young pleasure horse, one you will enjoy owning.

From H. S. HOGOBOOM, Woodland:

Palo King (2) 2:28½ by Marengo King, dam Palo Belle 2:24½ by Palo Alto 2:08¾. A well bred stallion of proven worth, the only one standing for service in California at present who is the sire of a three-year-old with a race record of 2:09.

Beautiful Bird, bay mare, by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, dam Expressive (3) 2:12½ by Electioneer 125, grandam Esther by Express. The recent performances of Mary Putney have made these blood lines familiar. This mare should be more sought after than any other matron in this sale as she is a beautiful individual, a regular breeder, and has already produced three standard trotters. Like all of the Hogoboom consignment, she is sold purely and simply because her owner must have the money.

Beautiful Morn 2:25, bay mare by Iran Alto 2:12¼, dam Beautiful Bird.

Beautiful Girl 2:29¾, bay mare, by Iran Alto, dam Beautiful Bird.

Woodland King (3), bay colt by Palo King, dam Beautiful Bird. This youngster has shown that he is better than a standard trotter and is a nice individual.

Little Express (2) 2:20, bay filly by Alto Express, dam Diawalda, a double producing daughter of Diablo 2:09¼. You all know this filly as she won the two-year-old pacing division of the Breeders Futurity Stake last year.

Marlin, bay gelding, by Dialect, son of Diablo 2:09¼. This is a big, stout pacing gelding belonging to the estate of the late Dr. Randolph and is a fast horse as Mr. Hogoboom has driven him in August of this year a mile in 2:08¼ without hopples.

High Head (2), by Palo King.

Sun Up (3), by Palo King.

From F. E. EMLAY, Marysville:

Washington McKinney Jr. 49593 by Washington McKinney 2:17½, dam Hazel Turk by Silas Skinner 2:17, grandam Miss Brown by Volunteer 2:27, etc. Washington McKinney Jr. is a good sized, good gaited trotter and has worked the Marysville track in 2:12¼ well within himself. He was prevented from filling his recent engagements by sickness and has now rounded to in excellent shape.

From C. W. BOWERS, Davis:

College Boy II. by The Magnet. Elmo Montgomery worked this colt 90 days and says that he can count on one hand the horses that have done what this colt did in the same length of time. He has worked in 2:16 and Elmo regards him very highly.

From HENRY B. SMITH, Pleasanton:

Della H. 2:10 by Hal B. 2:04½ (sire of Hay Boy 2:01¼ and many others), dam Jessie M. trial 2:22 by Del Norte 2:08. Della H. is a full sister to Hal J. 2:09¼ and is too well and favorably known to need comment here. Only two years ago she was unbeatable through the California circuit and she is still just as good. Only the lack of local classes for her puts her on the market.

Lottie D., bay filly (4) by Charlie D. 2:06¼, dam by Nutwood Wilkes, grandam Cricket 2:10. This is a nice filly and bred right to go on with.

Alton S. 2:15, chestnut gelding by Alton. This is a good mannered race horse and is much faster than his record as he has worked the Pleasanton track in 2:09.

From F. GOMMET, San Francisco:

Prince McKinney 2:29¼ by McKinney 2:11¼, dam Zorilla by Dexter Prince, grandam Lilly Thorne by Electioneer 125. Prince McKinney was a good two-year-old trotter and is a proven sire of speed.

Baby Gommet, (4) bay mare by Prince McKinney, dam Arawanna B. (dam of Sweet Princess 2:13¼) by Sidney Dillon. This is a nice mare with a lot of developed speed as she has worked for Al Schwartz in 2:10, with a quarter in 30 seconds.

From WM. STUART, Eureka:

Irving Pointer (8) by Star Pointer 1:59¼. This is a good, big stout, sound horse, gentle, stands 16 hands, weighs 1250 pounds and should make someone a good stock horse.

Philip Pointer (3) by Irving Pointer. This youngster has been a quarter in 33 seconds and is worth training.

From AL SCHWARTZ, San Francisco:

Ray Alto, chestnut horse, by Iran Alto 2:12¼, with a trotting trial of 2:18, and May Alto, with a two-year-old trial of 2:26, also by by Iran Alto 2:12¼. These are put on the market because Mr. Schwartz has too many horses. The horse is a handsome one, broken to ride, and the mare is on pasture.

From JERRY DORAN, Oakland:

Bay gelding, two-year-old, by The Bondsman; good conformation and bred to make speed early. Will be broken to harness before sale day.

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MANDATORY RULES A NECESSITY.

[By the American Sportsman.]

The end of the racing season is rapidly approaching and we believe the present a good time to call attention to some of the shortcomings of the year, particularly so since the biennial meetings of the congresses of the American and National Associations are scheduled to take place before another year of harness horse activities will be staged.

The easiest thing for any critic to do is to pick out individual instances of undesirable results occurring during the season and to thereupon base strictures of the present codes of law, but that is not our intention or desire. We are animated solely by the wish to better conditions generally and our comments on the season will be based upon general, not special, operations of the rules laid down by the parent associations for the purpose of governing impartially the racing activities of the year.

The most crying need for legislation, in our opinion, is a mandatory law upon the time allowance system, as the utter absence of any restrictions on this point has permitted such a variance in the announced conditions of the different racing associations as to render it almost impossible to determine the eligibility of the entrants at many points. The present rules of both of the parent associations are definite and explicitly provide that no allowance for the previous season will be granted by said associations except one second for each consecutive year that a horse has raced without winning a race. If this was the limit of time allowance, nothing could be said against it and in this respect the present general code of racing rules meets with our hearty approval, but, unfortunately, this provision is not decisively stated as the limit of allowance that will be permitted and as a consequence additional time allowances have been advertised in accordance with the ideas of the secretaries of each individual racing association, with the effect that it is almost absolutely impossible to determine eligibility.

It is natural that in such a country as ours the different racing associations may and will desire some latitude in their power to determine the conditions under which they will announce their racing program, but it is also an undeniable fact that unless this desire is curbed to some extent there will simply arise a condition more resembling chaos than uniformity and each and every association will become a governing body by itself.

Such being the case, what advantage is it to any follower of the sport to post himself on the general code where in each protest against a violation of it he is met by the statement that the special conditions of that particular association prevail. In each of such instances the particular well being of the association in question is allowed to control and the general laws are invariably discredited.

No possible good can come from such practices and the inevitable conclusion is forced upon all the parties involved that the general racing rules are of no effect and are to be honored more by a breach than by an observance thereof.

Therefore, we believe that it is up to the parent bodies to pass a restrictive rule governing time allowances and especially to couch that rule in such language that it will admit of but one interpretation.

Such action can not possibly be construed as a denial of personal rights as the present authority by which additional time allowances are granted is based entirely upon a direct grant of power by the individual associations, but would only be regarded as a regulation, especially so since the affiliated associations have so clearly shown their inability to handle the subject in such a manner as to produce uniformity.

We will frankly admit that we have never had as many perplexing questions submited to us during our connection with the light harness sport as the last season has been productive of, and will also say that the peculiar conditions originated by enterprising secretaries on the time allowance question have been responsible for ninety per cent of the queries that have been addressed to us.

Without assuming any spiritual message from a higher power that would give us the authority to answer these questions authoritatively, we nevertheless claim that the experience of an editor and representative of a turf journal qualifies him ordinarily to answer such questions in a fairly positive manner and the general racing public so concludes; but consider the position we are placed in when we are forced to admit, as we often are, that we cannot possibly place the construction upon conditions that the secretaries are anxious we should do.

A turf journal, according to our conception of its duties, is supposed to be at all times open to questions as to the interpretation of racing rules and, speaking for ourselves, we are willing to answer such queries at all times, but we find it impossible to act as a court of last resort under a system that permits each of the units thereof to totally disregard the basic laws of the main body.

Experience teaches us that only a regard for the established laws of any country will enable it to take a place among the civilized nations of the world, and, equally so, no organization can be regarded as stable without an unquestioning obedience to its regulations. Therefore we unhesitatingly state that the American and National Trotting Associations are decidedly in error in permitting a fixed law, decided upon properly according to the usages of those bodies, to be added to or detracted from as the personal vagaries or the imagined self-interest of any particular association, a member thereof, may dictate.

One of the highest compliments paid to a public man in these days is embodied in the statement that "he has backbone." Of course this is an Americanism, pure and simple, but one can search the standard dictionaries from cover to cover and not be able to express the idea intended to be conveyed thereby in any better or more expressive language. It means courage in his convictions, with a determination to follow the same and enforce those views to the limit.

Can anyone say that our parent bodies have "backbone" when they pass a law that in itself is capable of bringing the best results and then qualify it by granting permission to individual secretaries to obey or not to obey as they see fit? We, ourselves, had ten years' army experience and can unhesitatingly say that the only army regulations that we ever disobeyed were those that admitted of more than one construction. The absolute, mandatory laws never suffered any infraction at our hands and there was never any need to ask any one to explain what our rights were under them. We accordingly, not regarding ourselves as other than ordinary citizens, are forced to the conclusion that only those laws are respected that are mandatory and absolute and we feel that it is folly to attempt to pass any others.

We are not entitled to membership in either of the American or National Trotting Association congresses and in consequence must say our part on the outside, but, we submit, that despite our ineligibility to said meetings, our interests are more closely interlocked with the result of such sessions than those of the members thereof.

Each and every member of the governing bodies we refer to have interests other than those they are, by their positions, required to pass upon, while for ourselves, in our present vocation, the interests of the light harness horse are dominant. Supposedly, these gentlemen are elected to place the interest of the light harness sport first, and, undoubtedly, they believe such to be their mission and the duties devolving upon them by their election to the responsible positions they occupy, but one and all of us know that in their own immediate personal contracts they never think of anything but binding all parties interested to an absolute compliance with all of the terms of the contracts they make. Such being the case, why should they make so-called rules, with exceptions? What authority or respect is the result of saying you should do so, but, if you don't like it, do as you please?

All of these proceedings are worse than useless, as they tend to create disrespect for all legislation by such bodies, and when such a condition is reached the legislative body fails entirely.

We do not insist that the congresses shall say what entrance shall be charged, whether or not freight shall be paid, stall rent be free, or otherwise, but we feel that all racing rules should be stamped as absolute and conclusive, beyond the power of any individual association to tamper with.

Under such conditions, it is possible for the followers of the light harness sport to familiarize themselves with the general rules and, as we believe the majority of owners and drivers are law abiding, infractions of the fixed regulations would be few and far between.

Only the one thing will be necessary to accomplish this—the adoption of a regulation specifically providing that the rules shall govern and exceptions will not be permitted.

Particularly will this be of advantage in construing the question of time allowance as, under such circumstances, the conditions of the individual associations would be of no force or effect and it would be possible to definitely determine what class a horse is eligible to.

Verily, "this is a consummation devoutly to be wished for."

THE DeRYDER SALE NOV. 10.

Very soon after his return from the east last week Chas. L. DeRyder made a flying trip to this city and arranged definitely for the holding of his fall sale on the evening of Wednesday, November 10, at the Riding and Driving School on Seventh Avenue, near Fulton. The sale will begin early in the evening, as soon after seven o'clock as possible, and the offerings will be knocked down by Auctioneer William Higginbottom in rapid order.

There are several newcomers to the list of consignors this week, and we respectfully recommend that you give the announcement on the opposite page a thorough inspection and send for the catalog as well, as details therein are more extensive. The roster of venders now includes the added names of such well known horse owners as H. S. Hogoboom, F. E. Emlay, C. W. Bowers, F. Gommet, Wm. Stewart and Al Schwartz, all of whom have consigned animals of the desirable kind. It especially pleasing to note the quality of "Hi" Hogoboom's offerings, headed as they are by the speed sire Palo King (2) 2:28½ and that triple producer of standard trotters, Beautiful Bird by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, out of the famous matron Expressive (3) 2:12½. Palo King is the only horse at present at service in California to sire a three-year-old with a record of 2:08, and Hiram's band carry a preponderance of the blood of these two. A full review of the sale's offerings will be made next week.

THE WOODLAND SALE.

Just what deep water the California breeder of trotters finds himself in at this moment was pretty plainly portrayed last Monday when Woodland Stock Farm attempted to dispose of a portion of its surplus stock. In spite of the fact that the sale had been well advertised and that many of the offerings were of unusual quality, buyers were sadly lacking. A few colts were sold for moderate prices, but there was absolutely no demand for breeding stock and many matrons of high degree were led into the ring and passed out without a bid, while others more fancied by the few buyers present failed to be carried to a figure at which the establishment would let them go. At that, the location of the sale and the fact that many horsemen were too busy to be present owing to a rush of final preparation for the exposition meet made it hardly a fair test.

It seems up to trotting horsemen themselves to take the steps that will determine whether or not the harness horse is to die out here in California or be re-established on a basis in keeping with the existing conditions of the present and those apparently impending in the future. It has been suggested that the presence of the majority of California horsemen at the exposition meeting would present an excellent opportunity for getting together for a consideration of ways and means of inaugurating some activities of a generally beneficial nature, and probably a "session" of some kind will be held during the coming fortnight. Brush up your ideas and be prepared to present them if occasion arises.

The "O-O" on Visitors and Some Others

Not since the Fourth of July had I been in Pleasanton until last Friday evening, when I gladly got out from under a grind of several long-houred days in the office, crossed the bay on that good old reliable tub, the Alameda, and boarded the train at the mole for the town which early-day Californians put on the trotting horse may and which R. J. MacKenzie is keeping there, for after due credit is given Pleasanton for all its natural advantagees as a horse heaven it is due to the man-made attributes of the MacKenzie establishment that it holds its place as California's foremost training center. Year in and year out, for twelve months of the year, Pleasanton offers unrivaled facilities for speed making, and since the Canadian sportsman rebuilt the plant it has been more popular than ever. Just now, with the exposition meeting right at hand, harness horses have gathered there from various points in order to be in readiness for the short order ship required to land them at San Francisco the moment stable room is available, and quite a number of thoroughbreds are also being fitted for the winter racing season at Tia Juana, Juarez, New Orleans or Havana. The trotters and pacers, of course, have things their own way on the big ring, while Monte, the speedway wizard, has the two-lap course well harrowed up for the runners. Thus everybody has the footing desired and an unchallenged right of way thereon, and the different camps bear none of the earmarks of the bivouacs of belligerents, so well is strict neutrality preserved by the perfection of the arrangement.

While there was not very much real leveling indulged in by many of the teamsters on Saturday, there were a number of good stiff works that evidenced the fact that there are a lot of horses here that are ready to score for the word whenever Colonel Updegraff gives the paddock man the "high sign" that means "send 'em out." From two-year-olds to aged campaigners they are ripe, and if the weatherman is kind it looks like the exposition track would have a new record at each gait before the second meeting comes to an end. Sure it is that there will be plenty of good sport every day of the fortnight.

Of course the first things a visitor asks for are the easterners, and they are not hard to find though not so numerous as was feared. However, the quality is there even if quantity may be somewhat lacking, and my guess is that some of them will prove hard nuts to crack, especially Hal Boy and Peter Scott. We know the Boy can pace the exposition track handily, and as Peter has never required that one identical piece of footing be carried around for his benefit, I believe he will operate here all right. What the climate down on the beach will do to him is of course merely conjecture, but my personal notion is that the delegation that has been east all summer will stand the change just as well as horses trained inland here in California. However, before long we shall know.

One thing is certain, the ship out didn't have any bad effects. The DeRyder, Murphy, McMahon, Fleming, Rutherford and Kinney horses all came in a bunch and came fast and in good shape. They left Lexington on Friday morning after the meeting, unloaded for a good rest at Ogden and came on out over the Western Pacific, unloading Tuesday evening, which is nice shipping. Good weather helped a lot, and horses and men came off the cars mighty fit.

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When Tommy Murphy entered two and three horses in almost every event which he patronized at all, including the big stakes, it looked like hard sledding ahead for some folks. As the members of his stable are owned by various gentlemen it appeared that the horses might be "turned over" at the close of the Grand Circuit to their individual owners and then bunched three ways, a string to Murphy, and one each to a couple of other amicably disposed teamsters such as McMahon, Cox, Valentine or others of like capacity, but such doesn't seem the intention at this writing, as only five have shown up and all are in the one stable. The way they are entered they will do well to race the program one horse to an event, and it looks like good sportsmanship on the part of Murphy and his patrons to adopt this plan. It may not prove so profitable in cash as the other system, but it throws a pleasanter, more friendly aspect upon the general situation.

Murphy himself had not yet arrived at Pleasanton on Saturday, but Ned McCarr was much in evidence all day long, one of the first pairs I spotted being Ned and the Scott horse, passing me the wrong way of the track while I was moseying along from the little pass gate toward the wire, "auguring" with Mr. Sutherland. It was early and Ned hadn't started moving up to amount to anything, and at ordinary speed Peter Scott is a good deal like a great many other Peter the Greats—nothing to get excited about. You look at him and make a mental comparison with the picture conjured up by the mention of thirty-thousand iron men and you fail utterly to "make the connection." He is a nice big trotter, but there are nice big trotters that can be bought in job lots at three hundred per, just as good looking, just as strongly bred, and just as pleasing — going slow. The difference between the three hundred and the three-hundred hundred kind is evidenced only when he flattens. Then he shows like a race horse and his way of going is of the determined, do or die, stick-to-it-come-hell-or-high-water kind, nothing fancy. If Peter had been a man the Standard Oil Company might have been headed by some one other than John D. Rockefeller. All things considered and all credit given where credit is due in other quarters, he is the logical first choice for the money in the 2:10 trot on San Francisco day.

While McCarr was one of the first men I saw Saturday morning he was one of the last ones I caught "on the ground" long enough to get a word in edgewise with, as he was going over the bunch and merely dismounting from one sulky to climb into another. In addition to Scott, the pacers Jean 2:10¼, Major Ong 2:03½ and Hal S. 2:06¾ all received a number of heats during the morning, and in the afternoon Mirthful and Hay Boy were gone over, Dick McMahon not yet having arrived to give the Boy his course of sprouts. Mirthful, who trotted second to Ross B. in 2:05¼ at Lexington, is no prize package for looks but covers a lot of ground and is a good goer. I like the trotters better than the pacers, and from what I have seen of the latter so far I don't figure Murphy "one-two" in the big pacing stake, though I may have my dope backwards and my personal notions may be all wrong—they quite often are. Hal S., the roan lad, has a lot of lick and is no slouch of a pacer, or he wouldn't be where he is, but he takes an awful hold that is bound to tell on him and wear him down in scoring in a big field. Jean is a rangy bay mare, racy looking, and apparently right in tune for some of the class pacing events, while Major Ong bears out Bud Fisher's recent cartoon to the effect that military geniuses come in all shapes and sizes. Remember Alberta? Rumor had it that when George Haag wanted to ship that monster he merely threw away a couple of pairs of socks and then packed him in the resultant ample cavity in his suit case. It seemed like a pity to waste the socks but the saving in freight was considerable, so it broke out better than even. Well, Alberta was a better looking horse than Major Ong and about the same size, both of them being "powerful peppery" for their heft. The Major is not a good doer but he seems to like the California chuck and has plenty of strength, apparently, so he may prove very bothersome to some good men next week.

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Hal Boy, for a horse that has been raced to his limit since June 5, is in wonderfully good shape and as hard as nails. Here, folks, is one really and truly genuine pacer—no foolin'! He was never better than in his last race and he is going to be hard to beat in his next one. He doesn't carry quite the meat his bones were upholstered with when Marvin Childs had him, and his head is set a bit higher, I believe. He puts 'em down an' picks 'em up just like he used to do, and if he wins that big stake in a clean-cut way no one is going to begrudge him the victory. He was the real hero of the 2:06 pace here this spring and has proven as game and fast a little scamp as ever hit the big line. If he and White Sox by any grace of fortune chance to draw positions in the front tier and both square away on a pace for a full mile they will go the route perilously close to 2:04. The mare has worked at Los Angeles in 2:02½ and went two good races at Riverside, while the Boy's mile at Lexington in 2:01¼ was an even better performance. There is at least three seconds difference between the courses just mentioned and that at the exposition, taking into consideration footing shape and weather conditions, but good luck a around will at least mean a mile better than five.

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R. J. MacKenzie, who framed up the Hal Boy-Judge Ormonde match that proved a hair-raiser fo the Lexington crowds, taking the winner's end, wa among those present Saturday and derived conside able pleasure from the condition shown by Anvilite Miss Perfection, Bertha Carey and Maymack. For pair of mares that were off in the spring, Bertha an the General Watts filly came around very nicely fo Charley DeRyder and the latter may have somethin to say about that stake money Tuesday. She is game and honest bit of femininity and is workin nicely, while Bertha was a winner at Lexington an also looks fit. Maymack is as much of a character a ever, and was never faster. She had hardly enoug racing to fit her properly for her Lexington engage ments, but at that was separately timed there in 2:0 and 2:04¼. The amateur free-for-all trot is her onl engagement here and she will doubtless annex th big end of it.

Anvilite, much to the regret of his many admirers will not be a starter in the two-year-old trots at th fair, though he may be ready for the Pleasanto stake. He was a "dead colt" some weeks ago an though he has come around wonderfully the strateg board has decided it would be asking too much fo him to race here, as he is too good a prospect to risk for such a small sum as is involved in the two-year old trots here. Just a few days before he was taken sick he worked the Peoria track in 2:12 and can trot halves in 1:03 and quarters in :31. He looks fine in spite of his hard luck, and seems the making of a grand horse. Anvil 2:02¾, his sire, came back in the DeRyder car under lease to Mr. MacKenzie and is a wonderful individual for one of his inches, a beautiful pattern, richly colored, good tempered and intelligent. Anvilite will make a more substantial and, I believe, an equally pleasing fellow and one just as fast.

Our Pleasanton correspondent last week included both Governor Mason and Madam Mac among those included in Charley's car, but both were sold at Lexington, the Governor going to Bob Davis of New York for speedway use and the Madam to Ed Best of Minneapolis, who proposes racing her on the ice. Four weanlings were picked up by C. L. at the Lexington sale, one by The Northern Man 2:06½ out a General Forrest dam and three by General Watts (3) 2:06¾ out of mares by The Native 2:10½, The Bondsman and Cochato 2:11½, respectively. The General Watts trio have already changed hands, passing at a profit to Will DeRyder and his patrons, the owners of Spriggan.

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Speaking of Spriggan—and we may as well get used to speaking of Spriggan, as from present indications we will speak of him considerably during the future—the winner of the June stake is in excellent condition for a race for his life and another snug fortune. He threw out a small curb after the meet here but Will DeRyder subdued it with "neatness and dispatch," also much success, for he raced up to form all summer without being affected by it. He isn't a meat carrier at any time, but seems to hold to a certain amount pretty persistently and I can see little difference in his condition now as compared to that shown in June. Just how fast he can trot is an unknown quantity, but Will, while conceding Peter Scott to be the best favored in general for the head of the summary, doesn't seem to be losing much sleep worrying. He certainly can trot the short turns here like a runaway motor car, and I believe the horse that beats him, if he is beaten, will make the trip right around 2:07.

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Another stake trotter at Pleasanton that is not to be entirely ignored is none other than our old friend San Felipe. The big gelding has been working good for George Ryan and has had a lot of miles from 2:09½ to 2:13, so he is good and hard. George handled him during the summer for Mr. Sesnon and last Saturday turned him into Dick McMahon's stable, as Richard will pilot him in the big trot. He was an original entry, so one time in the money would put him winner.

George N. Patterson, Homer Rutherford's three-year-old, was a dead horse on his arrival at the end of his eastern trip in June, his condition being such that extreme measures, fortunately successful, were adopted for his relief. He came around gradually and went some excellent races in midseason only to get off a bit again later on. Just now Homer describes him as "just fair," but he paid his starting fee in the stakes and will probably rank up among the money winners. He is a good trotter and his experience will be of benefit to him when the bell rings. Seneca Boy and The Beaver look pretty fair but it is hard to say just how good they are. The Beaver, off for some weeks owing to an injured foot, went some nice miles at Columbus but didn't show quite so well at Lexington; if he is in trim here he will race close up in the first division. Seneca Boy trots at a decent rate of speed but he is a snaky bird at times and not a pleasant horse to handle or to lay money on. Impetuous Palmer, who rounds out the delegation from the east, is credited with having worked very fast at Denver but got off a little when Mr. Kinney took him down to finish him up on the mile tracks at Columbus and Lexington. He has a raft of speed but not much racing experience, being of doubtful behavior in company. A lucky score might enable him to throw a scare into somebody at that in the big pace.

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The firm of Keefer & Spencer celebrated a reunion here, Charley arriving from the northwest with Bonnie Ansel and Nuristo a few days in advance of Mel and The Proof from the central west. The big mare won some money up north and is in good shape, while The Proof came home with a world's record. He started in over a dozen races during the season, had over half as many different drivers as he had engagements, and was never out of the money. Most all the skinners who piloted him this season figure that he is a 2:06 trotter for next year in the hands of one man who really knows him. Charley Marley's two-year-old filly by him, still in the Keefer & Spencer stable, is doing nicely and will be a starter here in the stakes.

Henry Helman, the lengthy politician from Salinas, has a pair of good pacers in Prince Zolock 2:06½ and Mack Fitzsimmons 2:11½, both raced successfully this season in the northwest and both to start here at the exposition. The Prince was not in trim when he took his present record, having a severe attack of shipping fever, and Henry is a bit in doubt as to whether he will really he "ready" here, as he lost a lot of flesh and strength. However, he has a lot of pep, feels all right and is eating well, so he may "do." The Fitzsimmons horse, raced first as a trotter, is cut on a different pattern and is a whole lot better than his mark says, as he made Potrero Boy pace a third heat in 2:06¼ to win.

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Will Durfee was expected to ship to Pleasanton several days ago but failed to materialize, evidently deciding to make one ship and go directly to the exposition grounds. When he came down from Salem he left a couple of good men at Sacramento with the horses raced at the Oregon State Fair and these were brought to Pleasanton to join the balance of the string. Pending the arrival of Son William, one P. Durfee, the "P." standing for "Pa," is riding behind some of them, liking especially the Nickerson pacer, Rayo de Oro (3) 2:09¾, with a recent trip over the Pleasanton track a bit faster. He is a right good colt and I believe he will make Bondalean pace faster here than he did at Salem, with any kind of a day for weather and footing. Contention B. is in nice shape, but Helen Belle, winner of the trotting division of the Oregon futurity, had a bit of hard luck that has retired her for the season, Will relying upon the Tom Moko colt, Byron, for the trots. At Salem he bought the Keeler gelding, Sargo, and this homely trotter has made quite a bit of speed, working the Sacramento track better than 2:10. Charley will have the black colt Carl in the three-year-old trots, but he was off part of the season and will hardly have a fair show. Tim Sexton's Trampfast gelding, Future Tramp, has made a lot of speed for the elder Durfee and has had a mile in eight. He is an honest sort of a lad, with a nice mouth, and as "T. D." is a handy boy with the reins the amateur free-for-all trot may be quite a race.

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I found that entertaining variety artist, O. U. C., calmly taking a tubbing for the relief of his front feet, and learned regretfully that he will not fill any of his engagements here. This lad's stunts here and at North Randall inclined many to the belief that his was a case of "nobody home" when it came to having a "head," but from subsequent developments I believe his trouble was traceable directly to those front feet. "No foot no horse," as everybody knows, and if O. U. C. ever acquires a set of front Trilbies upon which he can stand or pace without pain I believe that he will be formidable in fast company. Not until after his purchase did Mr. Bailey become aware of the fact that the horse was troubled with corns, and a veterinarian's examination at Indianapolis revealed traces of a former trouble of a more serious nature, the condition of the feet and the discharge therefrom after being cut into indicating a more or less severe case of laminitis, or founder, at some previous date. Under treatment a considerable improvement was made, and at Indianapolis, during the state fair, with everything in evidence that should cause one of the bird-headed kind to go from one tantrum to another, he worked on perfect behavior in company. For a time Mr. Bailey hoped to have him ready to race here, but abandoned the idea for a better one—to give him every chance in the world to get fit for one future campaign. He is fast and I believe he has a good heart, and if he gets those front feet referred to above I believe he will be as good mannered as the average run of racehorses.

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There are so many things stepping along at Pleasanton that going over the entire number is a week's job for a man and a boy, so that only some of those who are strangers to us or newcomers to fame have been included in this hurried story. There are a lot of good young things that have shown nicely that will appear in the futurities in the course of the next fortnight, so we will try to take care of them then.

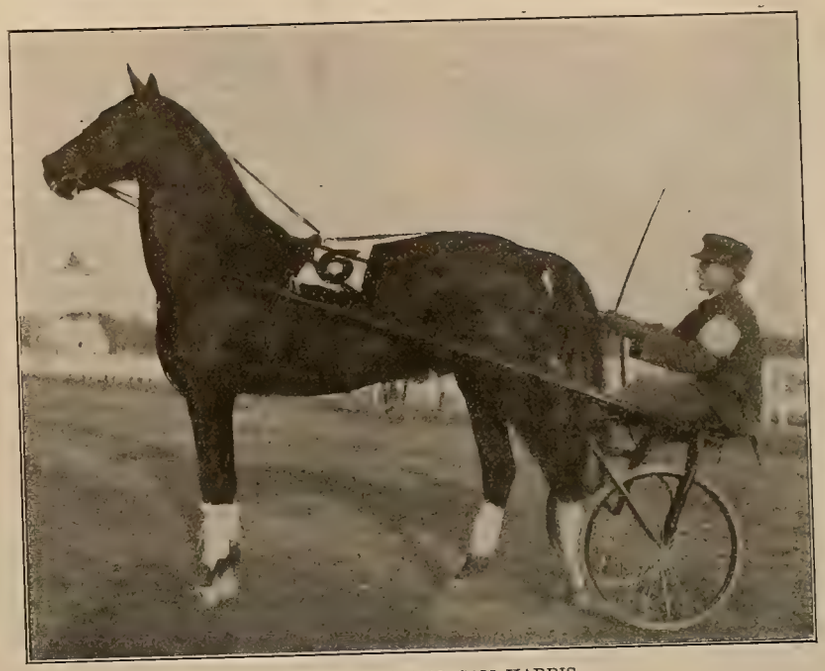
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Sunday morning I went "over in the valley" in order to be at Woodland Monday, having just a moment to say hello to Dick McMahon as he alighted from the train I was due to leave by. Dick was still using four legs as a result of the injury to an ankle some weeks ago, finding a portion of his Mary Putney and Hal Boy money very useful in obtaining porters' assistance in his travels. I had intended only a one day visit at Pleasanton, but the pull of the Tuesday work was too strong to be resisted, and I made a second trip that day, as the stake horses were getting their last levelling. Since Saturday the ranks of visitors had been augmented by the arrival of both McMahon and Tommy Murphy, Tom Gahagan, the syndicate scribe, Edward Thompson of Northport, N. Y., of Frank Bogash Jr. and Native Belle fame, and Robert McAfee of Pittsburg, owner of Jean and a member of the Peter Scott combine. Mr. MacKenzie, in turning over the keys to the driving park to these strangers to our glorious clime — (Horse Review, please note) — included a big car and a benzine skinner and the party is quartered at the St. Francis in this city and making the daily trip to and from the track via the Dublin canyon road. Besides these new faces, Mr. MacKenzie's cheery countenance was in evidence for a few hours, and the grandstand and fence furnished vantage points for a number of visitors from San Francisco, Oakland and Sacramento.

There was plenty to look at, as futurity prospects, stake horses and candidates for the class races were being moved along pretty regularly and a railbird with as many arms as an octopus, with a clock in each hand, would have missed some of the miles, so no attempt will be made to go much into detail. Miss Perfection trotted like a girl who would be dangerous in the big trot, and has a lot of friends pulling for her. Murphy and McCarr were doing double out tricks with Peter Scott and Major Ong one trip and Mirthful and Hal S. the next. Scott and the Major tramped a couple of miles right around 2:08, with the last halves not far from the minute

Will Gahagan's Idea of Axtien 2:06 1-4

A trotter that came into the limelight at Lexington and set the horsemen to talking about him again, was the Illinois stallion, Axtien 2:06¼, that proved to be the contender to Peter Scott in the Walnut Hall Cup on Monday afternoon. Last season Axtien trotted a remarkable race in the $10,000 Paper Mill Stake at Kalamazoo, where he battled it out with Lassie McGregor. I timed the chestnut horse four miles in 2:08 or better, two of them being in 2:06½, that day, and Harris got him to the front and he just romped home, in front, in 2:06¼. Peter Scott was hemmed in until the stretch was reached and after getting out was unable to reach the Illinois stallion. Axtien was a good second in the next three heats, the time being 2:05¾, 2:06¾ and 2:07¼. Harris started him back in the 2:12 trot on Thursday, and won that event in straight heats. He had no trouble whatever in showing the bunch the way in 2:07¾, 2:09½ and 2:07¼.



AXTIEN 2:06¼ AND SAM HARRIS

after his race Sam Harris, who owns and also drives the handsome son of Axworthy 2:15½, refused some flattering offers for him. He got a bit off and did not show anything startling after that. This season he has been sick and was in no condition to start until just recently. In the Transylvania last week he trotted third to Peter Scott in the third heat, and although out of the money, showed that he was getting back to the form that he displayed early last season. In the first heat of the Walnut Hall Cup, Axtien is an eligible to the $20,000 2:10 trot to be raced off at San Francisco on November 2, and if the chestnut horse retains his present form he ought to stand a good chance at landing a large piece of the rich purse, for I believe that he is up to a mile in 2:05 right now. His winning race record is now 2:07¼, which leaves him eligible to most of the big stakes. If he can escape the hoodoo that has followed him the past two seasons, miles in 2:04 will be within his reach next season.—Western Horseman.

mark, while the other pair beat ten by a comfortable margin. The roan gelding didn't take as much hold as I had expected after reading some eastern comment concerning him, and I have developed a mighty healthy respect for Mirthful. I doubt very much if Peter has it on her by more than a very small margin, and she will undoubtedly be a good mare here.

I can see somebody, or several somebodies, have an incipient attack of heart failure next Tuesday when Scott is challenged, or challenging, in the stretch. Right now I can see the portly gentleman with the numerous chins, etc., turn purple and whoop "He's broke" just before "going out," and he'll be wrong at that. I don't know just how he does it, but there are times when Peter is "leveling" that to the uninitiated eye he has every appearance of being just ready to leave his feet, but does not. He is a "true gaited trotter" in one sense only, that the trot is his true gait and he refuses to do anything else. However, it's only a few days until you can judge for yourself.

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After giving Spriggan the once over last week and learning how he had worked since coming home I wrote a little squib appearing in this same story to the effect that my belief was that the horse that beat him would trot right around 2:07. Now I believe that if I am mistaken my error is on the slow side of the figure, for Tuesday morning I saw him work in 2:09½ and 2:07, or 2:07¼ at the slowest, just as nicely as anybody's horse, Prince Zolock "siding him." Spriggan showed this spring that the exposition track was built to his order, and while way down in my brogans I still think Peter Scott ought to win I believe he will find that Spriggan and perhaps two or three others will give him the most competition he has had for some time. DeRyder's horse came out of Tuesday's work as fit as a fiddle, and the way I feel about him right now I wouldn't bet a plugged nickel that he didn't win a heat, at least.

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The only thing that detracted from the enjoyment of a genuine "one and only" California day Tuesday was Will Fleming's mishap. The Canadian teamster has always had plenty of friends here and made a lot of new ones last spring, every one of whom will regret to learn that Will's driving career has been very unpleasantly interrupted. The trotting gelding Seneca Boy has never been famous for manners and indulged in a tantrum up by the stables when Fleming attempted to turn him to score down. He often performs more or less at this part of the work and Will thought nothing of it for a moment, keeping his seat and endeavoring to humor the varmint. The Boy was out for a record, however, and almost in a flash reared and threw himself backward, Fleming getting practically the entire weight of the horse upon his chest. Down at the stand it looked bad but Will beat the horse to his feet and held him down until the onlookers got to him. Only after the crazy brute was in the clear did Will realize he was badly hurt, and he was loaded into a handy auto and rushed down town, the doctor's inventory of the damage revealing a superficial cut on the head, a cracked bone or so in the right shoulder, as well as severe bruises about the chest and back, the latter being the most disturbing features in view of the pain inflicted and the possibility of grave consequences from internal injuries. Will came back to the track and remained until along in the afternoon, when Tim Sexton took him to the sanitarium at Livermore in the hope that he could be made more comfortable there. Complimented on his grit in getting control of the horse, hurt as he was, Will merely grinned and remarked that he'd been in a lot of spills and never had the horse beat him to his feet yet, which means a whole lot that it doesn't say. While not a hospital case, unless unexpectedly severe complications have ensued, Will's condition precludes any driving for some time to come, so that The Beaver will go into the big stake in strange hands.

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Up at Woodland I ran square against a combination that has a partnership smile of the "won't come off" variety, from all indications, Messrs. L. B. Daniels and C. F. Silva of Sacramento. Potrero Boy, the big gelded brother to Airlie Demonio 2:05½, has all the appearances of being a real pacer, and Silva undoubtedly made a ten-strike when he purchased Bondalean. He has already grabbed one pacing futurity and I will be very much surprised if he fails to win his other engagements. Charley paid a pretty stiff price for this youngster in the spring, and my notion is that it would require four or five times as much to get him now. No man gets more real pleasure out of his stable than Silva, and his many friends will not begrudge him any success achieved by Bondalean, who looms as a candidate for many future honors. Johnny Quinn, Walter Tryon, D. D. McDonald, Will Ivey, Elmo Montgomery, Jim Thompson, A. W. Longley, "Doc" Delano, Mel Keefer and S. Christenson were among the other "home folks" present, Daniels, McDonald and Longley being about the only ones who had on their "buying clothes."

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There have been a number of stumbling blocks in the pathway of the fall meeting, but most of the "wrinkles" have been ironed out and the big fortnight of sport is scheduled to begin early Monday afternoon, day after tomorrow. The re-arrangement of the program has, of course, worked some unwelcome hardships upon horsemen, and the general situation has been unsatisfactory in that stabling accommodations were not available until the very last minute, causing much discomfort and inconvenience. Under ordinary conditions most all horses would have been here some days ago, but as it is one lone trotter, Axtien, has been "monarch of all he surveyed" until yesterday or today. However, as we had it so plainly stated to us this spring by the powers that be, "this is not a fair or a race meeting, but an e-x-p-o-s-i-t-i-o-n," and things might always be a little worse.

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Next Tuesday, San Francisco Day, will be the greatest day of the entire exposition period, weather permitting, and the crowd at the trots should surpass that of any day of the June meet. When it became apparent that the program would have to be rearranged the big trotting stake was set for the feature of this paticular afternoon, the card also including the Occident Stake and the 2:12 pace, both of which should be good contests. Racing will start at 12:30 in order to clear the way for some spectacular special features, and those who go to the track are assured of an excellent run for their money.

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Some weeks ago there was published in this journal the program and entry list for the meeting, complete save in the colt stake events. Subsequently the starters for the Occident have been printed, and the fields for the various events of the P. C. T. H. B. A. series of futurities are also completed, though as we go to press the starters in the Stanford and the State Fair classics are not yet at hand. The Breeder's events promise some good racing, with from five to ten colts being eligible to the various divisions. The junior classes look especially good, and the colt races this fall will be much better contests, I am sure, than those of the spring meeting. The dates of racing and entrants to the events just mentioned are as follows:

THURSDAY, NOV. 4.

First Race—Pacific Breeders Futurity Pace—2-Yr.-Olds—$1200.

The Puzzler, b g by Cochato—Baroness Maid by Baron Wilkes. E. R. Dunn, Morgan Hill.
Rico, ch c by Manrico—Pavlowa B. by Petigru. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Fiesta Lou, b f by Wilbur Lou—Fiesta Queen by On Stanley. Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet.
Fresno Bond, b c by The Bondsman—Fresno Girl by Seymour Wilkes. Frank Malcolm, Fresno.
Verna McKinney, br f by Vernon McKinney—Ramona by Demonio. J. W. Marshall, Dixon.
Surety, b c by The Bondsman—Eva H. by Washington McKinney. A. L. McDonald, Pleasanton.
Carolyn, b f by Lock Logan—Trilby Maid by Black Ralph Jr. J. E. Montgomery, Davis.
Patti C., ch f by El Angelo—Mary W. by Dictatus. D. W. Wallis, Los Banos.
Capt. Mack, br c by The Bondsman—Bessie L. by Montana Director. Fred Woodcock, Forest Grove, Ore.

SATURDAY, NOV. 6.

First Race—Breeders Futurity, 3-Y. O. Pacers—$1,800.

Sheldon B., s c by Barney Barnato—Ramona by Prince Robert. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Greatness, br f by Peter Wilton—Abbie McNutward by Guy McKinney. Eugene Cerciat, San Francisco.
Dixon Boy, b g by The Patchen Boy—Leota by Diablo. J. W. Marshall, Dixon.
Rayo de Oro, ch c by Copa de Oro—Easter D. by Diablo. J. S. Nickerson, Los Angeles.
Bondalean, b c by The Bondsman—Katalina by Tom Smith. Chas. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Bondholder, b c by The Bondsman—Corinne Sidmore by Sidmore. D. W. Wallis, Los Banos.

THURSDAY, NOV. 11.

First Race—Breeders Futurity, 2-Y. O. Trot—$1,450.

Alesandro, b g by Barney Barnato—Ramona by Prince Robert. I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Natalday, b c by Wilbur Lou—Ella J. by Bob Mason. S. Christenson, San Francisco.
Virginia Humbug, b f by Cochato—Fanny Wiggins by Wiggins. E. R. Dunn, Morgan Hill.
Hermes, br c by Carlokin—Miss Quealey by Moko. W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles.
Miss Axworthy Dillon, b f by Axworthy—Cleo Dillon by Sidney Dillon. E. A. Gammon, Hood.
Miss Bond, b f by The Bondsman—Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon. Frank Malcolm, Fresno.
The Expense, br f by The Proof—Nusta by Nushagak. Chas. R. Marley, Woodland.
Inspector, br c by Lijero—Queen S. by Sable Wilkes. Chas. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Sadie Ansel, ch f by Prince Ansel—Lauress by Mendocino. Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland.
Lulu B., b f by The Bondsman—Loma B. by Stam B. M. L. Woy, Fresno.

SATURDAY, NOV. 13.

First Race—Pacific Breeders Futurity, 3-Y. O. Trotters—$2,800.

Carl, bl g by Carlokin—My Irene S. by Petigru. C. J. Berry, San Francisco.
Allie Lou, br f by Kinney Lou—Lady Zombro by Zombro Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet.
Byron, bl g by Tom Moko—Reta H. by McKinney. Wm Loftus, Whittier.
May Alto, b f by Alto Express—Maymonio by Demonio Rodman & Hoy, Woodland.
Geo. N. Patterson, br c by On Voyage—Yu Tu by R. Ambush. Homer Rutherford, Pleasanton.

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Major and minor race meetings have all been more or less the victims of bad weather in the east this season, and the unusual run of weather California has had has caused some apprehension concerning the probable course to be pursued by that unwelcome added starter, one J. Pluvius, during the meeting here. Our spring and summer were abnormal, but we have had no finer days and nights than those of the present week. We are overdue for a bit of dampness and it may be "horseman's luck" to have it come with a splash before the 2:06 pace is ended on November 13. With decent weather there will be some really excellent racing, and we will hope for the best and take what we get. If the rain will hold off general conditions will be more pleasant than in June and the footing will also be a bit better, I believe. Harrowing up the track for the runners helped it, and at present there is a good cushion on it. Whether this condition can be maintained after racing starts is a question, as the soil packs and hardens so persistently that a track worker is almost helpless, but if Superintendent Maxwell does have a hard course it will be in spite of every effort, and not for lack of it.

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That versatile Scotchman, Magnus Flaws, arrived in the city early in the week and was followed a bit later by Col. O. P. Updegraff, both being registered at the Washington, where they were accepted as welcome guests owing to the fact that they paid their June bills in full prior to their departure. Both gentlemen are looking fit as can be after a season of constant activity on the other side of the divide and will no doubt give excellent service here in their respective official capacities, the Chicagoan as presiding judge and the Topekan as starter. Both visited San Diego while coming out and report a pleasant trip, the Colonel being accompanied by Mrs. Updegraff, who returns home at an early date after taking in the local exposition. Magnus, as usual, is demonstrating his versatility by officiating not only as judge but as the authoritative correspondent of our esteemed sole surviving Chicago contemporary, and if properly approached on the matter might even go farther and repeat, for our benefit, his famous Davenport specialty of baby christening. Anyway—welcome to our city, everybody, and here's hoping it doesn't rain. [N.]

MATINEE SEASON CLOSES.

With a card of four races, each of which brought out a good field and a good contest, the matinee season of the San Francisco-California Driving Club came to a close last Sunday at the Stadium, the bright particular star of the day being George Giannini's brown mare Ella M. R., who set the season trotting record at 2:12¾, only the fraction removed from the Stadium trotting record held by Reina Directum. Ateka, like Ella M. R., was a winner in straight heats but the other events were split, Lucia S. taking one heat of the 2:10 pace from Little Bernice in 2:10½, the Welsh mare taking the first and third in 2:10 flat, Dick W. being the contender throughout the greater part of the race. Emma M. after being twice second (once each to Senator H. and Greatness), won the third heat of the 2:15 pace and headed the summary. The details:

2:15 pace:

Emma M.	(W. Malough)	2	2	1
Greatness	(E. Cerciat)	6	1	2
Senator H.	(Joe Kidd)	1	5	3
Victor Pointer	(Dan Keating)	3	4	5
Jack	(J. McDonnell)	3	5	4
King Pointer	(H. Campodonico)	4	6	6

Time—2:12½, 2:14¼, 2:14.

2:18 trot:

Ella M. R.	(G. J. Giannini)	1	1
Birdeye	(A. Combatalade)	3	2
Francis S.	(J. E. Strain)	2	3
Kinney Lou Jr.	(Frank Burton)	5	4
St. Patrick	(J. Holland)	4	5

Time—2:16, 2:12¾.

2:10 pace:

Little Bernice	(Jack Welsh)	1	6	1
Lucia S.	(J. E. Strain)	3	1	5
Dick W.	(A. Ottinger)	5	2	2
Happy Dentist	(Fred Lauterwasser)	2	3	3
Bradmont	(G. J. Giannini)	4	4	4
W. J. K.	(W. J. Kenney)	6	5	6

Time—2:10, 2:10½, 2:10.

2:25 mixed:

Ateka	(Frank Burton)	1	1	

Lassie S. ..... (M. M. Bates)	2	2
Silver Logan ..... (Dan Healy)	3	3
Zomwellyn B. ..... (Pat Foley)	4	4

Time—2:21, 2:20½.

MAGNUS STATES THE CASE.

The following comment upon the existing situation was made by Magnus Flaws for the readers of the Horseshoers' Journal, and without further needless remarks on our part we recommend it to your consideration:

The business of breeding, training and racing of harness horses is in a peculiar anomalous condition at the present time. There are more horses racing for more money at more places than ever before in the history of the American trotting turf. The sport was never before conducted on so high a plane and the reports everywhere indicate largely increased attendance at race meetings and fairs.

On the other hand the breeding of the harness horses, despite the scarceness of light horses, is practically at a standstill, and there is a feeling of unmistakable pessimism among horsemen generally. Both these conditions are attributable to the same source, and that is, the by-product of the turf has no marketable value. In other words, if the breeder does not raise a fast, a very fast, race horse he has practically nothing, and if the trainer fails to develop a racehorse of the first class he has nothing. Stated in another way, the cheap auto and the cheap motor truck has taken the place of the light harness horse, either for the road or draft purposes, as the fraternity which your journal represents are already well aware; and the trotter or pacer with only mediocre speed has no earning capacity on the race course.

I have always contended that the racing harness horses should be considered as a sport, pure and simple, and should be carried on by men of sufficient means to indulge their penchant for the pastime regardless of the financial emoluments, yet conditions that leave the patron of the turf with either a deuce or a full hand are not conducive to the popularity of the sport.

Many are of the opinion that the fad for the gas-wagon will die out and that the good road horse will come back again, but my horizon fails to disclose even a hope of this. In the metropolitan cities it is practically unsafe to drive a good horse any more and in the rural districts, while there will for years to come be many good teams and single drivers, the gradual advent of the auto as an economic necessity is a certainty.

We have then only left the possibility of adopting some method whereby our slow horses can be assured an earning capacity on the race track, and this is a problem that will tax our turf-makers to the limit.

Last year rules were adopted handicapping horses on their winrace records only and allowing horses a second on their record who have raced and not won, and this brought some of the outclassed horses back again, but not in any great numbers.

In order then to provide against the scarcity of horses, to assure an earning capacity for the horse of ordinary speed and incidentally to enhance his value for breeder, owner and trainer is the desideratum.

With a reputation for proposing many turf reforms, some of doubtful value, I hesitate to suggest a plan of such far-reaching importance, but for the first time I will herewith submit a solution that I have been considering all the year.

In handicapping by the time record system, in legislation and in practice, it has been the custom and plan to do everything possible to avoid a record, thereby keeping the fast horses in the slower classes just as long as possible—an incentive to cheat and productive of bad racing.

Instead of giving only the horse that wins a race a record, as at present, I would give every horse that wins a heat a record as well as every horse that finishes second. Under this plan if a horse is to win any money, it will only be a week or two before he will have a record classifying him where he belongs, thus having evenly matched contests, and if it turns out that he has scratched a mark in one heat which outclasses him, by an allowance of a second for a losing race he can soon get back where he can race with profit.

The most important feature of the plan is that by this wholesale marking of the first and second horses in every heat, the faster ones are soon ineligible to the slower classes, and hence in the latter half of the season at the many fairs, it will be possible to have a 2:30 trot that will be raced in not better than 2:25, and a 2:25 pace that will be won in slower than 2:20, instead of from five to ten seconds faster, as is usual.

We then have an earning capacity for an ordinary horse, and that accomplished, we will revive breeding, and give the man of ordinary means who cannot afford to own a world-beater an opportunity to stay in the game, which for him is so fascinating.

It will also be of benefit to the associations giving meetings, as it will give them more entries and more even contested races, if in some cases not quite as fast.

And lastly, I am now going to tell your readers that it means more horses to shoe, but every horseshoer of my acquaintance has the red blood circulating through his brawny body that thoroughly enjoys this most distinctive of all American sports, in which the science and art of shoeing and balancing has played so important a part.

THE EXHORTATIONS OF REVEREND SAMMY McMILLAN.

[From J. S. Wood.]

On the night of Oct. 14, 1915, Peter Volo, the great trotter, bred and owned by W. E. D. Stokes of New York City, was brought back to The Patchen Wilkes Stock Farm on the Winchester Pike, near Lexington, Ky., and his great trotting career was over—where he got his first lessons in the game—and his record of 2:02 will stand for many years for a stallion four years old. He is undoubtedly the greatest trotting stallion the world has ever known.

There were present a number of gentlemen from New York and elsewhere, and the occasion of the great horse's coming home to his box stall, 25 feet square, bringing with him at the time the gold cup (Castleton Cup) presented by David Look, that had on it the picture of his sire's great rival, Bingen, once owned by Mr. Look, and the honors of many great races, was made the occasion of an ovation.

At the request of the large delegation present, the Hon Samuel McMillan, ex-Congressman from New York and ex-president of Old Fleetwood Park, who was bubbling over with Kentucky enthusiasm, was asked—so much feeling existed—to lead in prayer, and our dictaphone, in a bystander's pocket, took down his words ad libitum, for the benefit of all horse lovers.

Mr. McMillan kneeled down before the great horse, with the gold cup in one hand and hat in the other, and his prayer was as follows:

"God bless us, dears, and bless Peter Too-loose, for he did not get all that was rightfully coming to him, and forgive his enemies and those who did not do him justice, and may the sin, if it is a sin, of Peter Too-loose, coming to his harem be forgiven, since Solomon had, as Scripture tells us, 8,000 wives and some more who were not his wives.

"In this age of automobiles, Peter Pooloo can do what no auto ever did or could do—breed many another auto like unto himself as two pease—tho' when it comes to Gondolas, I'm not so sure as to them. Be that as it may—Peter Rooloo has not left the race track for good and all, and not like a busted railroad train, that when it gets off the track is put on again, but like a good Mohammedan saint in heaven coming to his own—and to the embrace of his 140 wives—God bless them all. God rest him well, and give him strength and great pleasure and many great sons and daughters who will bear his name and make it ever as illustrious as his own.

"This is a great occasion and me old heart swells with sincere sentiment, tho' the good whisky of Lexington is invigorating and famous the earth over, and not to be despised by a cold and disagreeable world of sin and misery. Oh, Lord! we who don't appreciate this world's blessings are all miserable sinners, but we thank thee for it with all our hearts, for no man is a real man until he has sinned and repented, for it makes us better. May, oh Lord, Peter Volo have strength to enjoy what's now coming to him and may he hand down to posterity a greater list of 2:10 performers than ever his illustrious sire, who is the greatest sire of extreme and early speed the world has ever known. Amen."

Mr. McMillan then rose to his feet amid loud A-mens, and was called on for a speech in honor of the occasion. He responded as follows:

"Before taking this great horse into his padded cell, I wish to take a few moments of your time, in bidding a welcome to the noble beast, Peter Volo, the greatest horse in America even though he always drinks water. [Applause and cries of approval.]

"God bless us all, dears, but this horse, Peter Volo, has done greater wonders than even Abraham Lincoln, when he started the war and saved the colored race. He out-done Moses crying for milk in the bulrushes, he is a second prophet of Israel at the battle of Bull Run—a horse whose pedigree goes back to Pegasus, the horse that got the Greeks into the walls of Troy, New York, without losin' a life—a horse that if he had wings would try to fly to the beautiful moon above us as she looks down out of the cerulean skies on Sammy McMillan and proclaims me the lover of the horse, since the time of Azael, whoever he was, and I say before you all that Peter Whooloo is my friend from the time I was foaled, and a weanling in the year 1831, if I remember rightly, for I was a boy at the time as ye must know, and not a child at that time in me teens an' in me me jeans. God bless us all, and especially Peter Volo—the horse and me have been friends and owners since that time.

"God bless us all, dears, and friends, and so good night to yees all. But stay! I have a word (God bless us all, dears!) for the colored brethern present, whose love for the great Peter Woodoo is notorious but not scandalous, for ther's no sin in loving a horse, if he is the horse they say he is—an' if the records spake true, his success and his happiness is now assured, comin' to his mares in the embrace of 140 wives, some of whom are maidens. God bless 'em and may no pesterin' Legislater nor Woman's Christian Assassination ever seek to declare a law or statute makin' a horse harmen sinful, dears, as the women may declare it to be, bless their hearts—if they get Suffrage in the November elections. So may Peter Who-oo rest in pace—but mind yees, he was no pacer in the buzzem of his many wives, but an honest trotter with the right kind of action—he gets there sure. God bless 'em, and may his progeny win great races in the years to come on the heavenly shores, where there's no sorrow nor sadness forever." [Loud applause in which Peter Volo, himself, nodded and tried to bite Senator McMillan's left ear, the rascal.]

Amid these solemnities, the great stallion walked into his stall, and the curtains were closed as he prepared himself for his well merited rest.

FOUNDER OR LAMINITIS.

Laminitis is an inflammation of the sensitive laminæ and may involve the adjoining structures. There are two forms of the disease: acute and chronic.

Ordinarily, in case of inflammation, the blood vessels become enlarged and a surface swelling appears, but when the sensitive laminæ are inflamed, the local veins confined between the horny wall and the coffin bone have no room to expand; in consequence the pain of acute laminitis is very sharp and persistent.

Causes.—The most common are concussion, overexertion, exhaustion, drinking cold water when the animal is heated, overeating and the eating of various improper foods, such as musty grain, hay, etc.

Symptoms.—In laminitis of both front feet the animal is excessively lame, moves with great difficulty, especially when starting, and appears as if the entire body were in a state of cramp. He stands with the hind legs drawn under his belly and the fore feet advanced in order to relieve the painful feet of as much weight as possible. Occasionally he may be seen to sway backward, raising the toes and throwing the weight for a moment upon the heels of the front feet and then resuming the original position.

If compelled to move, he raises the feet laboriously, not because the muscles are sore, as is sometimes supposed, but because if all four feet are not on the ground at the same time, to bear the weight of the body, his suffering is increased. He will often groan with pain and sweat will break out over the body.

To diagnose a case quickly, the best method is to rush the horse backward when, if affected, he will elevate the toes and throw his weight upon the heels.

In some instances the animal will lie down upon his side, with legs stretched out, for hours at a time, evidently feeling great relief in his position; in other cases, particularly the early period of the disease, he will stand persistently.

Treatment.—Remove the shoes from the affected feet, stand the horse in hot water for several hours each day, or what is equally good and perhaps safer, apply hot flaxseed poultices, changing them every hour, as they become cold. After two or three days of this treatment, change to cold water, which can be applied either in the form of a foot bath or by standing the animal in a running stream for five or six hours at a time.

As soon as the pain has diminished, moderate exercise is beneficial. This may be gradually increased until the animal shows no further signs of trouble. If, after five or six days, pronounced symptoms of recovery are not apparent, apply a stiff blister of cantharides around the coronet, repeating the blister if necessary. In addition to the local treatment, nitrate of potash (saltpeter) in doses of two to four ounces, may be given three times a day. If he is constipated, give one quart of raw linseed oil.

Chronic laminitis is permanent laminitis, resulting from one or two attacks of the acute form of the disease. In the chronic form, there is always inflammation, sometimes more, sometimes less, but never as severe as in the acute form. This varying inflammation affects the adjoining sensitive structures and interferes with continuous regular secretions. The coronary band becomes affected and consequently the growth of horn is not steady. This is shown by the growth rings of the outer surface of the wall.

The interruption of the natural secretions of the sensitive laminæ results in irregular growth of the horny laminæ. In bad cases there is a rapid (false) growth near the toe that has not the ordinary amount of vitality and seedy toe frequently results. This extra false growth also forces the coffin bone back from its proper station and as the dovetail attachment is not as strong as in natural growth, the weight of the animal forces the coffin bone down upon the sensitive sole, causing the ailment known as drop sole. In very bad cases the bone actually pierces the sole and the animal is, of course, absolutely useless.

In shoeing cases of laminitis, pay special attention to the concaving of shoe and use a rocker motion bar shoe; this produces a smooth breaking over and keeps all jarring effect away—Horseshoers' Journal.

Ed Parker, who developed the three-year-old trotter Pinewood by Lijero and sold him this spring to Tom Pollock of Flagstaff, is back at the old familiar stand at Woodland. Ed bought from E. D. Dudley a two-year-old by Palite out of the dam of Pinewood, and is breaking for Mr. Dudley a three-year-old filly by Palite out of Friskerina 2:13¼ by Baywswater Wilkes.

"Sidelights" on the Trots at Lexington

[From the Western Horseman's Correspondent.]

Lexington, Ky., Oct. 16.—With the close of the meeting here the horses and horsemen scattered to the four winds. A big majority of the stables went into retirement for the season, but portions of the stables of Tommy Murphy, Dick McMahon, Charley DeRyder and W. W. Fleming went to California for the big Exposition races. Murphy took Peter Scott, Hal S., Mirthful, Major Ong and Jean. McMahon had the winner of the big match race, Hal Boy 2:01½, and Fleming had The Beaver and Seneca Boy. The well known turf writer, Tom Gahagan, left for Chicago for a few days, and from there will leave for the coast with Dick McMahon. Tommy Murphy will be accompanied to the coast by M. E. Sturgis, William Thompson and some other patrons. The major portion of the Murphy stable was shipped to the home training track at Poughkeepsie, some going back to their owners.

The stable of Walter Cox was shipped home, with the exception of Earl Jr., Aconite and Clara Walker, which go to Windsor, Conn., after which they will race two weeks more before going into final retirement. A. S. Rodney also shipped Todd McGregor 2:10 and Lustrous McKinney to Windsor for the meeting.

Lulu Lumine 2:06¼, a member of the Murphy stable, owned by A. H. Cosden of New York, was sent to Walnut Hall Farm, where the other Cosden mares are kept, and will be bred in the spring, though to what stallion has not been announced.

The trotting stallion, Governor Mason 2:08¼, winner of the 2:13 trot here, was bought by Ed Willis for his patron, Herman S. Crossman, and shortly will be shipped to him at New York where he expects to use him in the matinees.

Axtien 2:06¼, the good looking big Axworthy stallion, winner of the 2:12 trot on the closing day and second to and a heat winner from Peter Scott in the Walnut Hall Cup, was shipped to California by owner Sam Harris. He should be a good trotter on the coast and there are few trotters there likely to beat him.

The champion three-year-old pacer, Anna Bradford (3) 2:00¾, now a four-year-old, accompanied the stable of trainer Bert Shank back to North Randall.

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Mr. Geers gave the three-year-old filly, Straight Sail, a record of 2:08¾ at the Breeders' meeting, which led rise to the opinion that she would accompany the stable south. Horses that went with him were Zombro Rex 2:10¼; Lightsome Watts (2) 2:23; Reamore, and Bonington 2:06¼. Zombro Rex was added to the Geers stable here and was given a record of 2:10¼ at the meeting. Lightsome Watts is a two-year-old filly owned by Gen. C. C. Watts, and Reamore is a fast green trotter owned by H. B. Rea, and formerly known as General Axworthy. Bonington was a member of the Geers stable for the major portion of the past season.

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One of the best sales of a yearling trotter learned during the meeting was that of the chestnut colt by Peter the Great, out of Lena Moore by Hinder Wilkes, which trainer William Owings sold to Walter Cox for Earl F. Shropshire. The youngster has been a quarter in 35 seconds, which is not considered anything like sensational these days, but had a quick, rapid stroke, like a good trotter, and was a tight-made, snug little fellow that looked like on of the kind that would do.

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Murphy bought the three-year-old trotter Ess H. Kay Jr., a son of the fast pacer Ess H. Kay 2:00¾, that had shown himself to be a high-class trotter. He trotted in 2:07¾ for Murphy when sampling him.

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The greatest exhibition of extreme speed seen during the meeting was displayed Wednesday morning with the three-year-old pacing champion, General Todd (3) 2:05¼. Guy Rea, who trained and drove the colt in his five races without losing a heat, decided to step him a quarter at speed, so he turned him round at the wire and let him breeze to the quarter, where he began to drive, and his watch registered the half in 1:01¼, with the last quarter in :27½. "Percy" Smith, in the judges' stand, timed him in :27¾ and other watches timed him in :27½ and :27¾. Guy has just added the gray pacing gelding, Fay Richmond 2:03¼, to his stable and will race him the coming season in the free-for-all classes over the halfmile tracks and in the 2:04 class over the mile tracks.

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W. R. Neill, nephew and bookkeeper for Mr. Geers, bought the brown trotting mare Guy Nella 2:07¾ during the last few days of the sale from Samuel Merkle, Narberth, Pa., and will continue to campaign her in the Geers stable. Though a bit erratic at times, Guy Nella is quite a good trotter and showed to be on the last day here, when she was twice second and secured second money to Axtien.

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Frank G. Jones took a "weeding out" among his stable here and at the close of the meeting had sold three of his pacers. The Assessor 2:04½, that has been in the stable of Dick McMahon for the past two seasons, was sold to Culp & McGeary of Vandergrift, Pa.; Hal Connor to Frank Childs, and Bud Elliot (3) 2:08 (now a four-year-old) to J. Dillon, a Canadian horseman. The Assessor is a user of the hobbles and Hal Connor seemed to need them very badly, so he will probably appear with more rigging the coming season.

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W. A. Owings has a sensational pacer in the bay colt by J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, out of Annie Fox 2:19¼, by Nuthurst 2:12. The youngster stepped a quarter for Mr. Owings last week in :31¼, with the first eighth in 15 seconds. Annie Fox was quite a pacer in her day, working in 2:10 as a three-year-old, which meant considerably more than such a mile in these days. This is not the only sensational yearling that Mr. Owings has, as he has a black colt by The Northern Man 2:06½, out of the dam of Anna Bradford, that can fairly fly at the pace and worked an eighth some time ago in 15½ seconds.

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Allie Watts' race in the three-year-old trot, in which she was fourth, is her twenty-fifth start, in all of which she has been out of the money but twice. (These races were the two futurities trotted at Columbus.) It was her eighteenth start of the present year, after having started seven times last year, and during the season she has won seven races and been second in a big majority of the rest. The mare is owned by the Black River Stock Farm, Jonesville, La., and was bred by John F. Barbee, formerly of Millersburg, Ky., and one of the owners of the Black River Farm. He has never seen the mare start. Her career and present high-class condition attest to the skill and care of her trainer, Fred Edman, who raced her both this year and last.

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San Francisco secured another 2:10 performer Tuesday in the four-year-old pacer, Robert Frisco (4) 2:05¾, that Walter Traynor marked against time. Luke A., a good little three-year-old trotter, was given a record of 2:14 during the morning, while in the afternoon his son, St. Frisco, won the Ashland in 2:07¾, making the day, on the whole, a splendid one for San Francisco. Walter Traynor has quite a trotter in the bay mare Zobediah 2:09¼, by Zombro 2:11, out of Erirange 2:21¼, by Prodigal 2:16. The mare is owned by S. A. Pickering, who has successfully matineed her the past season. Traynor worked her a mile in 2:05½. She was bred by A. B. Coxe when he had her sire at his Nawbeek Farm. Erirange is also the dam of this season's good three-year-old, Colorado Range (3) 2:08½.

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Bingen Silk, winner of the Lexington yesterday, was bred by Senator J. W. Bailey, being the second winner of the stake that he has bred. The previous one was Lucille Marlow, that Harold Childs drove to victory in 1906. Previous winners of this stake include such good trotters in their days as Belle Patchen, dam of Baron Wilkes 2:18; Steinway, former three-year-old champion; Jay Bird, one of the greatest sires; Silicon 2:13¼, a champion and dam of Siliko 2:08½; Oakland Baron 2:09¼, winner of the Kentucky Futurity; Grace Bond 2:09¼, the second double Futurity winner; Lady Wanetka (2) 2:10, etc. Yesterday was the first time that Chandler ever drove a winner of the Lexington, though for many years reckoned as one of the leading colt trainers in the country.

The deceased California sire, Zombro 2:11, had a great day of it yesterday. Not only did Bertha Carey and Auto Zombro win good races, but Fair Virginia was second to Bertha Carey, and during the morning The Zombro Belle reduced her record to 2:06¼ His son San Francisco secured another two-year-old trotter during the morning, and with the performance of his granddaughter, Mary Putney, in the Futurity, in all Zombro has been well to the front here.

The year that Zombro stood at the Nawbeek Farm of A. B. Coxe, Paoi, Pa., he got ten foals for Mr. Coxe, of which five have either taken records or trialed in 2:10 or better.

Some of the many friends of trainer Walter Randall Cox, better known to the followers of the light harness horse as "Long Shot," fixed up a job for him yesterday. A telegram was sent him stating that he would be given a ten weeks' contract of $500 per week for himself and Earl Jr., to appear in vaudeville, and Cox to make a short talk on the ethics of training. These men who, it is said, included a trainer, owner and newspaper man, were not as well posted on theatrical matters as the "shining lights" of the trotting sport and made the fatal mistake of signing the name of Charles Frohman to it. Cox, being much better posted on such matters, knew that Frohman was dead, having gone down on the Lusitania, and so the joke fell flat, Cox saying that he didn't mind the attempt to josh him, but hated to be taken for such a "boob" as not to know that the great play-producer was no longer on this mundane sphere.

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During the morning two seasons' records were smashed, that for two-year-old trotting colts, when J. B. Chandler drove Bingen Silk, owned by Midway Farm, Kearney, Neb., a mile in 2:08¾, and a new one for the season for three-year-old pacing fillies when Walter Cox drove J. L. Druien's three-year-old filly, Sad Thoughts, to a record of 2:06¼. Both precocious youngsters are by the dead Bingen, and Bingen Silk is out of Nell Cord (2) 2:26¾, by Silk Cord, son of Prodigal 2:16. Sad Thoughts is out of Pleasant Thought by Prodigal; second dam the famous double-gaited champion, Ecstasy p. (2) 2:10½, tr. (3) 2:11½. This filly is also a double-gaited one, trotting a quarter as a yearling in 33½ seconds.

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In the matter of winning races, Tommy Murphy led all drivers for the meeting with a total of six races. Two of these were with Peter Scott, one with Peter Volo, one with M. L. J., one with Peter Worthy, and one with Sunloch. Mr. Geers stood second on the list with five victories, two of these being with Napoleon Direct, one with Russell Boy, one with Deroche and one with St. Frisco. Lon McDonald came third, having four victories, of which Ames Albingen won three(the only triple winner of the meeting), and Duchess the other. No other driver had more than two, the following having two each: Cox, DeRyder, McMahon, White, Valentine, Bob Wright, Loomis and Nuckols. Harry Jones, Egan, Mann, Rea, Serrill, Birney, Chandler, Gosnell and Harris each headed one summary.

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Axworthy started the day off well Saturday, when his son, Axtien, won the 2:12 trot in straight heats, while his granddaughter, Guy Nella, by Guy Axworthy 2:08¾, was second.

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Peter Volo seemed to have reached his limit for the year at 2:02, which figure he placed in the first heat of his great match race with Lee Axworthy at Cleveland, for since that time he has trotted in 2:02 on four occasions, besides another in 2:02¾, while in the Castleton he cracked in two heats in 2:02½ and 2:02¾.

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Etawah also seems to have tied up around 2:03, going in 2:03 twice at Lexington and once in public, while he worked a mile for Mr. Geers Friday morning in 2:03, and came back in 2:03 again. But for his stud season the little horse would probably have been up to a faster mile by now, as last fall he gave indications of trotting much faster than his four-year-old world's record of 2:03¼ for his age.

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When it comes to amount of money won during the meeting, Dick McMahon is a comfortable leader, as he won two races—the Kentucky Futurity, first money $8,500, and the $10,000 match race. Murphy, with Peter Scott's Transylvania and Walnut Hall Cup, Peter Volo's Castleton Stake, which total $5,500, and the Dinner stakes, match race, $3,000, besides his purse races, comes second, with a total of $9,500.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

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SILVER FOX FARMING.

Those thinking of engaging in fox farming as a source of profit should consider carefully the cautions and the data as to the expense of equipping a farm, and would do well to weigh carefully the conservative statements as to the profits from this industry, which are included in U. S. Department of Agriculture Bulletin 301, The Domestication of the Silver Fox.

The bulletin points out that the prices of furs and of breeding animals have fallen considerably since July, 1914, and states that the prices running into thousands of dollars formerly paid for live silver foxes were based not on the fur value of the animals, but on their possibilities as breeding animals, in an industry in which there was great speculative excitement. On this general point the author says: "The business of fox breeding will be on a much more stable basis than at present when the value of breeding animals bears an approximate relation to the value of their pelts in the open market. The profits in silver fox farming prior to 1910 were realized mainly from the sale of pelts; since then, they have been derived almost entirely from the sale of live foxes for breeding purposes. There has been a recent sharp decline in the prices of breeding stock."

The choice of location of a fox farm is of prime importance. The best furs come from cool, moderately humid regions. If a locality furnishes native furs of high grade, that locality is favorable to the domestication of fur bearers. The climate of the Middle and Southern States is not well suited to this industry, as shown by the medium or low prices commanded by furs from these areas. The ratio of expense to income must be considered with care. One can not pay the exorbitant prices animals for stocking purposes sometimes bring and expect to raise fur at a profit. Neither can one expect to raise furs of a fine quality from inferior stock. But given a normal market for breeding-stock and pelts, a favorable location, a love for animals, and an ordinary degree of prudence, one may engage in black or silver fox farming with a good prospect of satisfactory returns, provided, of course, a high price for pelts is sustained. Values of animals and pelts were very high a few years ago, when the industry was being launched, but are now on a much lower basis. Those who contemplate going actively into the business or investing their money in corporations or companies organized for fox farming should investigate thoroughly all phases of the business.

The records show that 133 silver fox skins of all grades offered in 1914 at a London auction sale realized an average value of only $118 each.

The silver fox is simply a color phase of the common red fox. The name "silver fox" as commonly used by furriers, includes the dark phases of the ordinary red fox variously called silver, silver gray, silver black, or black, and is not to be confused with the gray, or tree fox, the fur of which is of comparatively little value. The red, the typical cross fox, the silver, and the black fox all interbreed, and when one occurs occasional examples of the others may be expected. This fact can be used, as the bulletin points out, to develop silvers by cross mating, and selective breeding is important to produce silver progeny. Breeding to produce less nervous animals, as well as to produce fine pelts, must be considered.

The most valuable skins are those in which the entire pelage is dark at the base and overlaid with grayish white. The black skins recently have fallen below silvers because furriers find they can dye red skins black. Silver foxes can be raised wherever the red foxes live in the wild state but will produce superior fur only in regions where the fox naturally produces a superior fur. Records of the Biological Survey show that such localities occur only north of the southern boundary of the Canadian Zone. This boundary, as shown by a map in the bulletin, crosses the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, and South Dakota, and extends southward along the mountains in New York, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and in all the States of the Rocky Mountain region and westward. South of the forested regions of the northern tier of States and Western Oregon, however, the Canadian Zone, although sufficiently cold, is too dry and sunny for the production of first-class fur. In the Transition Zone, a region less cold, foxes having a fair quality of fur may be raised, but the best are obtained only in more northern latitudes.

To raise silver foxes calls for a pair of foxes, which will cost from $150 to $250 each for the common silvers, up to several thousand dollars each for the best silvers. The yards in which they are kept must have high and strong wire-net or board fences with an overhang at the top to prevent the foxes from crawling over. These fences either have to be sunk in the ground or the fence wire has to be extended as a mat on the ground to prevent the animals from digging under. The cost of yards runs from $100 to $150 each, which includes the making of the special dens needed for the animals. The equipment is described in detail in the bulletin. The chief requirements for a fox farm are well-drained, wooded land in a secluded section where the foxes, which are inclined to be nervous, will not be subject to outside disturbance. The fox ranch must have good drainage and must be partially shaded by a young growth of deciduous trees. Each pair of foxes should have a runway of about 2,500 square feet, and provision should be made for separating them. One reason for properly equipping the yards and locating them away from outside interference is that fact that the vixen is very nervous about her cubs and frequently mishandles and kills them in attempts to hide them from imaginary dangers. Attendance is an important feature because foxes do not tame readily and rarely become friendly. Constant changes of persons in charge, like in the presence of absolute strangers, has a detrimental effect on them.

Foxes require some special attention, certain skill in handling, and great care in feeding. They thrive on a varied diet, including meat, fish, mush, milk, bread, and table scraps, but they are easily injured, especially when young, by improper food. It costs from $5 to $15 a year to feed foxes, depending on whether ther are cows and whether grain and vegetables are raised on the farm. The fixed annual charge against a pair of foxes will vary with the locality and value of equipment, etc. On some ranches it has been estimated about as follows:

Interest on cost of yards	$10
Depreciation of yards	10
Food	20
Attendance	50
Amounting to	$90

To this must be added a reasonable charge for interest on the original cost of the foxes.

The young are born in April or May, the average litter containing four cubs, but, as only about half of the captive females produce young in any given year, the annual increase on fox farms has not averaged above 100 per cent.

THE LATE DR. CHARLES F. HOLDER.

[By Charles V. Barton.]

In the death of Dr. Charles Frederick Holder, it is not going too far to say that the entire civilized world suffers a real loss. Certain it is that thousands of devoted personal friends in this country and in Great Britain will mourn him deeply.

An educated gentleman of rare refinement and great personal charm, and a writer of world-wide fame, Dr. Holder by reason of his personal tastes and preferences, early became interested in wild life, and it was as an angler and a writer on big game fish that he became best known. He had caught nearly all the species of big game fish extant, and had written with authority upon all. He was almost equally as well known as a conservationist of other forms of wild life, particularly of birds.

Dr. Holder was the founder of the Tuna Club of Santa Catalina island and was for many years president of that world-famous angling organization. He was the first man to catch a leaping tuna of over 100 pounds with rod and reel, and by the work of his pen he gave Catalina island and its teeming waters the unique and splendid reputation as an angling resort which it enjoys all over the world.

The motto of the Tuna Club is: The Protection of the Game Fish of California, and a Higher Development of the Art of Angling; and no man has done more, or indeed as much, to establish these laudable principles as Dr. Holder. Practically single handed, at the last session of the State legislature he secured the passage of the act setting apart the waters of Catalina island is a game fish preserve, thus putting an end to the wholesale seining of fish which was fast exterminating the game fish which frequent those waters.

In the Wild Life Protective League of America Dr. Holder was president of the department of Southern California, spending a great deal of time and money in promoting the conservation of wild life in all its attractive and useful forms. He was also the founder and the former president of the Valley Hunt Club, Pasadena's most exclusive social organization.

Dr. Holder, besides writing innumerable magazine articles, was the author of a dozen or more books on angling, sea life and kindred subjects. The Log of a Sea Angler, Big Game Fish at Sea, The Channel Islands of California, and a comprehensive volume on the Game Fish of the World, were among his principal works. He also collaborated with Dr. David Starr Jordan in an epic volume of fishing stories.

Several years ago Dr. Holder visited Great Britain, where he was enthusiastically entertained by many notable men among British sportsmen.

Charles Frederick Holder will be missed and mourned most by those who knew him best.

DOWN SAN DIEGO WAY.

You gotta hand it to San Diego! She has everything outdoor folk crave—weather made to order and ordered each day of the year; a back country that awakens in every red-blooded mortal the slumbering "call of the wild," and now is waking time; a region of foothills and mesa and valley that is the home of wild game in abundance. So this shall be a story of San Diego's famous wild game hinterland, a hunting preserve famed in all the broad reaches of the Golden State, says Tenderfoot in the San Diego Times. Fostered, nourished, protected by the law's might, this splendid preserve is free to all who heed the law when following the lure that lured Nimrod. Now for the wild ones!

First in hustling, first in knack, and first in the hearts of Clan Scatterguns is the king of all game birds—California valley quail. And back in San Diego's foothills are thousands of these jaunty, self-reliant aristocrats of the feathered kingdom. Time was when valley quail were slaughtered and sold in the open market, but those days are gone forever, thanks to belated wisdom in our treatment of wild game. Under the law's protection, valley quail have held their own, bringing forth each year thousands of broods that now are beginning to gather in big coveys.

The present summer has produced more quail than in several years, giving promise of raresport when the open season begins. And quail hunting is rare sport. The foxy little rascals savvey the getaway game even as will-o'-the-wisp, blending softly into a memory of clever wild life, or flushing with nerve-racking crash that puts wrinkles on mental poise and calls into action, with the average gink, his best boob efforts in wingshooting. Time and again seasoned veterans have been separated from their conceit by these wonderfully adroit little feathered strategists, while a yokel at the game is fruit, ripe and mellow, for Senor Valley.

To tell where quail hunting will be good this year is easy, for the hinterland harbors many thousands. So hunters can be sure of a big harvest.

Another game bird that is a bad actor on the wing is paloma—swift, erratic dove. In full flight, a dove can fade away like Matty's famous slant, and then the bird's twisting, flashing wingwork makes the hardest kind of gunpointing. At other times, when flushed close up or settling to a water hole, doves are easily killed. The present open season on doves, which will run to December 1 has furnished unusually good shooting to those who have gone afield in hunting togs. If you have not been out, Mister Stick-Around, it's about time you jarred loose and introduced yourself to a touch of the strenuous. Don't worry about absent-mindedly overshooting the limit, rather avoid overshooting the birds, and if you don't believe me, Jasper, your sentiments are commendable and should be followed strictly by all but a few of us. Doves are plentiful—do you hunt, Tigellenus?

Which brings this essay to the place where the webfeet get into the glare. Funny thing about ducks is that a lot of hunters wax enthusiastic about killing quacks, and talk languidly or listen abstractedly to stories of upland joy. Well, San Diego county's duck ponds are there with bells on, and they're not mission bells—not by several miles of scenery—just dancing little airbells kicked up by busy webfeet. False bay, Sweetwater, Upper and Lower Otay, Warner's, Cuyamaca, La Mesa and Morena lakes furnish splendid duck shooting, and of them all perhaps Sweetwater is favorite. To the Brotherhood of Chilled Sixes many happy hours have winged into memory's archives at Sweetwater, where ducks galore have been bagged by disciples of the Great Matted Rib.

Driving the lake is the usual method employed. This is accomplished by forming a line of boats across the lake and sweeping the ducks' domain from one end to the other. As the webfeet flash by, or swing over, the hunter picks his bird and pulls the trigger. Ruddy ducks furnish most of the close chances, winging over or past the boats at deceptive speed and offering a puzzling array of leads. The bid ducks—like redheads, cans, sprigs, mallards, widgeon and spooneys—usually climb high when they leave the water. Coaxing, seductive calls used by hombres in blinds, aided by decoys, usually toll the flock into the gunplay. More of the big ducks are dropped by "blind" hunters than by those in boats.

When the city editor called for a wild game story he wound up with, "Mention all the 'varmints,'" which includes rabbit and deer. Now, bunnies can be found anywhere, from Balboa park to the desert—brush and jackrabbits and Molly Cottontail. Rabbits are famed mostly for their astonishing ability to prosper in spite of man's persistent warfare. To those who go afield in search of Molly, the ranchers will grant open sesame to their bailiwick and wish them good luck, for bunny is persona non grata with most soil tillers.

Deer could be killed legally up to October 1, if the hunter was a real Bumppo or real lucky. Deer in the open heap savvey getaway, and are prized accordingly. They will sneak through brush with all the stealth and cunning of El Coyote, and again they crash into headlong flight, a buck's bobbing flag offering anything but an easy mark. But deer are out in the back country and can be venisoned by those who make "good medicine" and hunt faithfully.

Of course, back in the mountains are mountain quail and tree squirrels, and big rattlesnakes and

hoot-owls, and fat bucks and friendly ranchers, but there's no open season on ranchers, so confine your gunplay, amigo mio, to the wild ones. Hunting, the primitive method of sustaining life, is modern man's greates joy—at least, it "gets" a lot of them—and in the broad stretch of mileage between the city limits and Mountain Springs is a preserve well stocked with wild game, a district easy of access and full of charm—San Diego's famous hinterland.

BY WAY OF COMPARISON.

Taking into view the facts that well over 200,000 fishing and hunting licenses are annually taken out in this State and that there is open hunting ground and fishing water enough to enable every license buyer, of either sex, to enjoy outdoor recreation and sport, the story given below, taken from the New York Times, should be of more than usual interest to Coast sportsmen—when contrasted with conditions that prevail here now, and which conditions , by the way, have been severely criticised and condemned by some shotgun and rod followers who claim that fish and game affairs in this State are in a most deplorable condition:

Sportsmen throughout South Jersey are preparing for the deer shooting season, which begins Wednesday (October 13),being the first of the four Wednesdays, three in October and one in November, that it will be lawful to kill this game.

Already camping parties are pitching their tents in the deer woods in the vicinity of Weymouth, Carmantown, Doughty Tavern, Buck Hill and English creek. The deer seem most plentiful in the woods surrounding Weymouth, and during the last summer it was no uncommon thing to witness herds of deer grazing in the fields and along the roadside. In other sections of the county, reports are made by farmers that deer frequent their truck patches and feed. At Eelwood, almost daily the last summer, several deer could be seen eating apples that dropped in an orchard, and they were so tame that they would wander within a few yards of the farmer's house.

While the deer are reported so plentiful the same reports are heard of the quail and rabbit in the Atlantic county woods and fields. While automobiling from Egg Harbor City to May's Landing, a distance of seven miles, parties recently counted twenty-three rabbits sporting in the roadway. [Going that distance on some of our roadways one can count that many hundreds.—Ed.]

The abundance of quail is attributed by sportsmen to the mild winter last year; also to the fact that the Southern quail liberated by the Game Commission remained here and mated and multiplied. In previous years the birds shortly after being liberated would migrate.

The abundance of rabbits is principally due to the scarcity of foxes. In former years these animals would destroy more young rabbits than all the other enemies of the cottontails together. As the State offers a bounty of $3 for each fox killed, the hunters went after Reynard not only for the sport but for profit also, and as a result many were killed.

Under the new deer law the shooting of doe as well as buck deer, over one year old, is permitted. This will be a welcome change to many gunners, as it is practically impossible for a hunter to distinguish bucks from does in the woodland when the deer are running. Only one deer a year may be taken, and rifles, also shotguns, of less than 12 gauge, are illegal. The new law provides that it is illegal to have deer in possession on any day except those on which they legally may be killed, and the burden of proof will be on those who have venison in their possession on other days to prove it was taken on one of the Wednesdays in season.

With the approach of the open season for shooting wildfowl, sportsmen are warned that the Federal regulations will be strictly enforced. Some misunderstanding has arisen from the fact that the various State laws do not always conform to the Federal regulations. This is regarded as unfortunate, but in such cases the department must insist upon the observance of the Federal regulations.

The department will consider any recommendations submitted in good faith for amendment of the regulations, but will hold no public hearings thereon, nor will it amend the hearings prior to Oct. 15, 1915. It is the purpose of the department to conform the regulations to the wishes of the majority of sportsmen so far as it can be done, and at the same time give wild fowl the necessary protection.

The 1915 Fish and Game Chart for New Jersey, revised in accordance with the Federal law, gives the following open seasons:

Quail, rabbit, squirrel, male English ring-necked pheasant, ruffed grouse, prairie chicken, and Hungarian partridge—Nov. 10 to Dec. 15.

Wild turkey.—Closed season until March 3, 1919.

Female English ring-necked pheasant.—Closed season until April 15, 1919.

Reed bird.—September and October. All small birds not designated by name under the open season, little brown, sandhill and whooping cranes, swans, curlews, upland plover and wood ducks.—Closed season until Sept. 1, 1918.

Shore birds.—Only black-breasted plover, jack or Wilson snipe and greater and lesser yellow legs.—Sept. 1 to Dec. 15.

Rails, coots, gallinules, marsh hen or mudhen.—September, October, and November.

Woodcock.—Oct. 10 to Nov. 30.

Waterfowl, except woodduck and swan.—November, December and January.

Brook, brown and rainbow trout and land-locked salmon.—April 1 to July 15.

Black bass, Oswego bass, white bass, crappie and pike perch.—June 15 to Nov. 30.

Pike and pickerel.—May 20 to Nov. 30; Jan. 1 to 20.

Skunk, mink, muskrat, otter (may only be trapped)—Jan. 1 to April 1; Nov. 15 to Dec. 31.

Deer, bucks and does over one year old.—Last three Wednesdays in October and first Wednesday in November.

Raccoon.—Oct. 1 to Dec. 15.

It is illegal to take or have in possession in any one day more than 25 trout, 10 salmon, 10 black bass, 10 quail, 3 pheasants, 3 partridges, 10 woodcock, 3 ruffed grouse, 20 ducks, 10 geese, 10 brant, 10 rabbits, 30 marsh hens or mudhens. Also to take more than 10 pike or pickerel in January, no bag limit being fixed for the remainder of the open season.

The taking of white and yellow perch, catfish, sunfish, suckers and eels with hook and line only is permitted at all times of the year, provided that not more than three hooks are used.

It is illegal for dogs to run at large except during quail season, and for any person to go into the woods and fields with a hound or firearm except during the quail season, but the law does not apply to legal hunting for deer, woodcock, snipe, rail, mudhen or waterfowl.

A dog may be trained in the woods and fields without firearms (without permit) in daylight from Oct. 1 to first day of the quail season, excepting during the deer season. A dog may be taken into the woods or fields at any time without firearms (and without permit) if such dog is not allowed to hunt or pursue game and is under control. Persons may hunt raccoons with dogs and firearms (without permit) from Oct. 1 to Dec. 15, between sunset and sunrise.

WHEN THE TEAL COME IN.

Wherever there are waterways of any size; wherever there are reedy, rice-grown lakes, wherever there are stretches of alternate mudflat and sandy sea beach—wherever, in short, there is water and feed to lure them, there the duck family will be found, lording it over all the other game birds of the locality, I care not whether they be quail, or grouse, or turkeys, or wild pigeons.

The Pacific Coast, lacking the myriad little bays and estuaries which cut into the shore of the Atlantic, has never been the highway nor the abiding place for ducks and geese as has been the eastern shore of the United States. But as the country settled up and the Mississippi Valley, once the main highway of all the feathered hordes of the New World on their migration to breeding places close to the Circle, became filled with men and guns, the birds began to seek a new route to the north.

Naturally they turned to the Pacific shore of the continent, and the principal pathway of the ducks and geese into the far recesses of the north nowadays is over the land west of the Rockies, either along the coast or a trifle inland, over the Great Basin.

All in all, there come to the Coast every year (or remain there during the breeding season) seventeen species of ducks, five varieties of gees, one brant (the black), and one swan, the trumpeter. This list does not pretend to split hairs, but is given to good species, well marked and easily identified, even by the tyro.

Of the geese and the brant and the swan it is not mine to speak, though the season for shooting the geese is here, but rather of the swift-winged, eye-trying little rascals, the teal, of which there are three species to be met with by the shooter on this Coast.

When the winds of winter make uncomfortable the warmest blind, when the rain drives down that wind at forty miles an hour, when your fingers are so cold you cannot work the safety on the little double-barrel, on such days as these the teal seem most at home above the marshes and along the river mouths of the southwest.

Rising reluctantly as if hateful of leaving its day-long resting place, a mallard, heavy with much good feeding, drives slowly across the wind and the rain, striving to reach the sandhills and after them the river, where he can float even more securely and where he can find a band of his kind. He looks slow—he is slow; the twelve-gauge cracks and the green-head tumbles with a splash into the water. One bright spot in the day at any rate! Life seems to return to you; you finger the warm barrel of the gun lovingly and wish another bird would come along to give you a chance to warm the other barrel.

And then, out of the mist and the rain, out of the mean day which is to be your last of duck shooting for the season, there comes a faint "Mark west!" from the nearest blind. You do, and thrown across the sky is a wavering line, so thin in the fog as to seem a long way off. It doesn't look like ducks, but it moves and wavers along the sky and it must be ducks; no other living things on earth but ducks and you could be abroad on such a day as this.

The line crumbles up in the center, rises into an arch as it sees your decoys; almost stops in midair, then breaks down to fall into your lure, suddenly suspects something and straigtens out to circle round your clump of weeds just at the right range.

Deceived by the mallard's big body and by the murk, you figure them as going slow, a nice mark. The right barrel cracks; nothing doing. The nitro rips out a peppery word from the left barrel, and the last bird in the last wing of the rude crescent stutters in his flight and, over in the next pond, pitches into the water.

This is the teal, not held in high repute by "epicures" (!)—most of whom could not tell a canvasback from a mallard or a gadwall from a mudhen if they saw the birds cooked only—but to the old gunner along the Coast the very epitome of all that is hard to hit when in full flight, and of personified wariness when once it has been warned of the dangers of any locality.

The speed of the teal is wonderful; I believe it is the fastest of all the duck tribe once it gets under way, but in rising from the water it is beaten by the mallard, or the redhead, or the ruddy, or any one of half a dozen other ducks I could name which are found in the same localities as the teal.

Commonest of all the ducks which come to the Coast hunter is the green-winged teal. It is abundant in winter throughout the lowlands and along the lower parts of the rivers which flow down to the sea.

For the man who gets his duck shooting by poling along some river in a skiff or by walking up or down its side, putting up here and there a bird, the mallard is best and the teal a long way down the list, but nine out of ten of the ducks which are shot in small meadow ponds in the farms of the lowlands are teal.

They seem to be remarkably sociable little fellows, and I have seen the water of small ponds near Alamitos and Westminster and the alkali lakes down below Santa Ana black with them in winter. Along toward spring these green-wings go north and east to their breeding grounds, though they are among the last to leave of all the migrant ducks, just as they are one of the first to come out of the north at the beginning of winter.

On the wet-weather lakes of the hills I have found the best place to gather in the green-wings. Usually a man can get one of these lakes pretty much to himself if he arrives there early enough in the morning, and if, before the duck season opens, he makes a blind at some convenient place he can have good sport even without decoys or dog. About the best all round duck shooting I ever saw was on a little pond not far from Whittier, in La Habra valley. There the teal came, literally by thousands every winter, to feed in fancied security from men and guns.

Along the shore of the sea, and on the sandhill lakes and little estuaries, the teal is not so common, though it is occasionally seen in the rafts of other ducks, resting just outside the surf. It is in no sense a sea duck, but is the game bird par excellence of inland waters.

With the green wings now and then the hunter will kill a teal which has a blue patch on the wing in place of the green feathers with which he has become familiar during long acquaintance with the green-wing. This is the rare blue-winged teal, a straggler from the East where, on the Atlantic Coast at least, I am told it is about as comon as the green-wing here.

The blue-wing is the most beautiful of the teal and it is a great pity that it has not become more common, though the introduction of any migrant game bird is quite out of the question. I am a great believer in the keeping of game birds in aviaries and on the grounds of large estates. Where judgment is used, and some attention paid to different foods for different seasons of the year, there is no reason why ducks should not be kept as well as quail, grouse or pheasants—and none of the web feet are more hardy or more to be desired than the teal.

But the abundant fresh water duck of the Coast, and of the southern end of the Coast in particular, is the cinnamon teal. Resident through the spring, summer and fall wherever found in Southern California, the cinnamon teal leaves this part of the State only for a brief stay.

Wherever there are reedy marshes, wherever there are green fields bordered by brooks or even by drainage ditches and in the vicinity of practically all the ponds and lagoons of the southern counties of the State, the cinnamon teal builds its saucer-shaped nest, lays its six to ten cream-colored eggs in April or May and rears its young.

There is not a farm—I doubt if there is a beet or celery ranch in the lowlands of Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, or even Ventura county—that has not any number of these pretty little birds nesting in its boundaries. While the female is sitting there is no more secretive bird in all the outdoors, and when the young come off the nest they learn to swim and dive so rapidly that the waters of the creek or pond along which they are born is as much a home to them as was their grassy cradle a few hours before.

Young teal grow rapidly, and by midwinter are ready to begin the long flight to the marshes of Mexico and even farther south with the parent birds. The nesting time is mostly in May, though late April sometimes finds several pairs engaged in the duties of home making. Newport Bay was once a famous place for these birds and also, in the winter months, for the green-wings, but of late the growth of the beach city and cutting up of the tide lands into gun clubs properties has spoiled the shooting for any but members of these organizations.

[Concluded Next Week.]

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

At the Traps

Garden City Doings.—The trick rifle and pistol shooting of Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Topperwein featured the final shoot of the San Jose Blue Rock Club, October 24. A thousand people were attracted by the performance which was declared by enthusiasts to be one of the best ever seen in California. One of the feats which took big with the crowd was the bullet picture of "Uncle Sam" shot into a large target by Topperwein. Every shot seemed to be perfectly placed. He followed this up by smashing with rifle bullets three objects hurled into the air at the same time. Not to be outdone by this rapidity of shooting, Mrs. Topperwein, using a pumpgun, battered up six objects tossed skyward simultaneously. She then scrambled half a dozen eggs which were thrown out at the same time.

Mrs. Ada Schilling, the club's diminutive lady shot, ran Mrs. Topperwein a fairly close race in the regular 100-bird event, getting 91 while the brilliant visitor was breaking 95.

O. N. Ford, who broke 97 out of 100, was the best performer of the day over the traps. H. E. Poston scored 95 and E. C. Reed 94. Ford shot a straight run of 65.

A. F. Baumgartner also shot splendidly, getting 12 straight pairs in the doubles event. This is the first time that anyone has gone through this event on the local grounds without a miss. "Louie" is a wonder with the pumpgun.

C. R. Arques, with a handicap of 12, won the San Jose handicap. Ford with 4, Mrs. Ada Schilling with 10, C. A. Arques with 12, W. J. McKagney with 15, each made 100. Ford then withdrew and in the shooting Arques broke 49 out of 50 and won the silver trophy. George H. Anderson and N. A. Howard of San Francisco tied with 99 out of 100 for second money. The shooting of A. Richter, the boy wonder, who broke 79 out of 100, was also a feature of the day. The scores at 100 birds were:

O. N. Ford 97, Mrs. Topperwein 95, H. E. Poston 95, R. C. Reed 94, N. A. Howard 93, G. H. Anderson 92, Mrs. Ada Schilling 91, C. R. Arques 88, W. J. McKagney 88, Charles H. Nash 87, A. Richter Jr. 79, Fred Willet 79.

Doubles, out of 24—A. F. Baumgartner 24, H. E. Poston 22, O. N. Ford 21, C. R. Arques 20, G. H. Anderson 19, W. J. McKagney 18, A. B. Jones 16, C. B. Smith 15.

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Novel Trap Shooting Trip.—We are advised by Mr. T. E. Doremus, of Wilmington, Del., of an interesting trapshooting novelty in the shape of a barnstorming trapshooting trip which will be made during the month of November by the following famous major league ball players: "Chief" Bender, Christy Mathewson, "Doc" Crandall and Harry Davis.

These men all have the reputation of being pretty fair target shots, and at least two of them are wonderful live bird performers, although they will do none of the latter on the trip. They will travel under the auspices of the Du Pont Company and the trip will be in charge of E. R. Galvin, of Wilmington, Del.

It is the intention to shoot a match in each place visited against a team of local stars, same to be at 100 targets per man, and the total team scores to determine the final result. As it was possible to secure but four ball players for this trip, a prominent shooter in each city where a shoot is held will be invited to captain the visiting squad for the day and to shoot with them.

A feature of this attraction is that admission to all grounds where shoots are held will be absolutely free. baseball and trapshooting who will be present.

The itinerary of the squad has been arranged with a view of making the trip interesting to the greatest number of people possible, at the same time keeping in mind the importance of having the men shoot where the grounds are accessible and large crowds of spectators can be accommodated. That both of these considerations have been well taken care of is evidenced by the following schedule:

November8, undecided; November 9, Baltimore, Md.; November 10, Pittsburgh, Pa.; November 11, Cincinnati, Ohio; November 13, Indianapolis, Ind.; November 14, St. Louis, Mo.; November 15, Kansas City, Mo.; November 16, Omaha, Neb.; November 17, Des Moines, Iowa; November 18, Minneapolis, Minn.; November 19, Milwaukee, Wis.; November 20, Chicago, Ill.; November 22, Toledo, Ohio; November 23, Detroit, Mich.; November 24, Syracuse, N. Y.; November 25, New York City (under auspices of New York Athletic Club); November 26, Hartford, Conn.; November 27, Boston, Mass.

From the above, it will be noticed that the ball-players will travel and shoot in 15 States and visit all the great baseball and trapshooting centers.

It may interest the general public to know that most every major and minor league baseball player is an owner of firearms, and usually manages to get in a few days' hunting after the ball season. In the major leagues nearly every ball player owns two or three rifles and shotguns, and quite a number are frequent visitors at the traps. The public, generally, is not well informed as to the doings of ball players off the baseball diamond and when their time is their own, but the amount of "gun talk" and shooting "dope" one hears in associating with them is evidence of the popularity of the shooting game with them.

VALUE OF CLOSED SEASON ON GEESE.

In one section of the State, at least, the ranchers have awakened to the advantages to them of protection for the geese. The protection of the waterfowl, far from having caused the birds to damage their grain crops, has actually resulted in an increase of the production. This is the story told by some of the ranchers near Davis and along the tulle, and the reason given seems very plausible.

One rancher says that during the time the geese were not protected, when the market hunters were keeping them moving all the time, the most he ever produced on a certain tract of ground was 700 sacks of barley. During the last two years when the geese were protected in the spring and late winter, he has raised 2700 sacks of grain yearly on the same piece of land, the field not having been molested by the birds.

The rancher explains the situation as follows:

"During the fall, after the harvest, when the barley fields are strewn with scattered grain, and when the geese are gaunt and hungry after their summer in the Arctic, the birds visit the fields in great numbers to pick up the grain. At daybreak they can be seen rising from the tulle and moving to the fields in clouds. About 10 o'clock, back to the tulle refuge they go again. This movement they keep up day after day through the fall and early winter, but as the winter season progresses they grow fatter and fatter, and lazier, and the flights decrease in length and in the number of birds taking part.

About the middle of January, when the newly sown grain is sprouting nicely and is up enough that hungry flocks of geese could damage it, the fat, heavy birds prefer to loaf in the tulle, if left to themselves, pulling up the new shoots of various water growths that then are putting forth and otherwise living on the natural food of the marshes. During the time the geese were not protected, however, the constant attacks of the market hunters and others kept them on the move and drove them from the tulle resting places and feeding grounds out onto the newly planted grain fields where great damage often was done."

The Davis ranchers say that they have learned their lesson and they are heartily in favor of a closed season, such as the present one for the geese, and the curtailing of market hunting; and they believe that when ranchers of other sections of the State observe the facts a little more closely, they will fall in line as boosters for game protection.

Many large scale farmers have begun to realize that the market hunter with his trained bull, steer, or horse, and the gunner who digs holes in the fields which later interfere with the harvesting, do more damage than the geese, and many of them have prohibited hunting on their grounds for this reason. Thus last season the Natomas Consolidated prohibited goose hunters from going on its lands, preferring to keep a goose herder on the place to scare the birds away with a rifle when any stray flocks did visit the place.

HUNTING NOTES.

Among the many hunters who resort to the bay shore marshes and along the coast shores there is some confusion as to just what are protected "shore birds" and what members of the snipe family may be shot in season. In answer to queries on this subject it may be stated that the only shore birds the Federal and State laws allow to be hunted and shot are four species, the Wilson snipe, often called the English or jacksnipe, and usually the bird referred to when snipe shooting is mentioned, and the yellow-legs, a bird never overly plentiful on this Coast. Black-breasted and golden provers are included in the open list of "shore birds." The latter variety is more plentiful than the black-breasted bird.

"Shore birds"—that is, curlew, three varieties, black and bronze ibis and the forty odd varieties of snipe are on the protected list. Among these may be mentioned a number of birds known here and there as the stilt, avocet, godwit, willet, robin snipe, killdeer, the different sandpipers, marlin, sicklebill curlew, upland plover, and the many other varieties of snipe that feed in marsh lands and which visit our shores in large numbers during the months they are traveling from breeding grounds to feeding resorts. With the exception of the four varieties mentioned above any and all other "snipe" are shore birds and are on the federal protected list. Shore birds, owing principally to the numbers of hunters who pursued the birds in the hunting sections of the Eastern States, it is claimed by the U. S. Biological Survey, were disappearing in such alarming numbers that local government laws were insufficient to stop the annual decrease in the supply of these migratory birds. On this Coast shore birds are almost as plentiful as they were twenty or thirty years ago. The federal law has caught the Coast sportsmen in this respect, and the measures now in force are considered by a majority of our sportsmen as unnecessary at the present time.

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Hunters report that never in many years have wild ducks of all varieties been so phenomenally numerous along the upper coast waters in this State than they have been since the season opened, October 15.

The reason ascribed for the splendid showing of the birds is the stoppage of the spring shooting through federal regulation. In former years the duck season did not close until along in April and May and now the bars go up February 1. In the Big Meadows ducks by the millions are reported.

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In the San Pablo and Suisun bay waters "cans" and bluebills have been seen for the past fortnight in big flocks. Along the Redwood City shores of lower San Francisco bay, "cans" and "blueys" have been bagged for a week past. The early appearance this year of the deep water ducks is phenomenal.

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"Home bred ducks are getting scarce in the shooting preserves," say the sportsmen who came in Sunday last from the Butte slough clubs, and they do not expect any more extra good shooting until cold weather and storms drive the Alaska birds down from Oregon and Washington. "A little rain will not be sufficient," they assert. "It must be cold weather, or cold weather and plenty of shooting in the north." Not many of the northern ducks are said to have arrived in that locality, and with the continuance of the mild fall weather they need not be expected.

With ducks it is different than with geese. The geese come south in the fall before the arrival of extreme cold because their green feed in the northern marshes has shortened and because the grain stubble fields of the State beckon to them. They now are busied throughout the grain sections in gathering up the scattered barley left by the harvesters, as examination of the geese killed this fall clearly proves.

In another respect also the geese differ from the ducks; they do not seem to care for rice. So far as the State Fish and Game Commission has been able to learn from dissection of birds none have been found with rice in their craws. And contrary to current belief, the ducks do not seem to be such voracious eaters of rice as was supposed. So far as the examination of the dead birds discloses, but three varieties are eaters of rice, the mallard, the sprig and the teal. Of these the mallard is most addicted to the rice habit.

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For the unattached hunter the tip is here given that ducks are fairly plentiful in Tomales and Bolinas bays. Around Bolinas bay sprig and mallard are more plentiful than for years past.

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Quail hunters who have been out in the Coast foothills from Russian river down to Santa Cruz county find that many bevies are made up of half-grown birds with the old ones. The rains last summer up till June set back the breeding season. Reports from the Zyante creek section in Santa Cruz state that quail and cottontail rabbits are most numerous .

In the foothills east of Newman quail are very plentiful, limit bags have been shot by many hunters during the past fortnight.

Small Boy, Big Deer.—Rocklin claims the youngest hunter known to have killed a deer single-handed this season, in the person of George McGrath, seven years of age. The buck killed by the young nimrod weighed over 200 pounds.

George was hunting with Hulta L. McGrath and Alfred Willard, who were scouting on the hill near Rattlesnake bar for game when the dogs started a large buck which crossed the path of the boy who, armed with a single barrel shotgun loaded with buckshot, fired, bringing down the deer. The other hunters ran to his assistance, which George did not need as he had dispatched the wounded buck with a load of birdshot fired at close range.

California Lion Bounties.—Mountain lions are more plentiful in California than most people believe, judging by the amount of a claim approved by the State Board of Control for the State Fish and Game Commission, for bounties on these animals. The claim was for $380, representing 19 lions killed. The bounty on mountain lions is $20.

The lion claims came from the following counties: Ventura 4, Lake 2, Santa Barbara 2, Calaveras 2, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, Monterey, Humboldt, Kern, Stanislaus, Mendocino, Tulare and Canta Clara, 1 each.

Buck Crop Large.—More than 12,000 deer were killed in California during the present year, the State Fish and Game Commission reports in a recent bulletin. Had it been possible to sell the deer on the market the number killed would have brought the hunters $300,000—$25 apiece. It cost more than that to get the bucks.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

On and after January 1, 1916, no American-bred dog will be eligible to registration unless its parents (both sire and dam) have been previously registered. Owners of stud dogs and brood bitches are afforded the balance of the year to December 31, 1915, to register their breeding stock.

FIXTURES.

Registered Tournaments—Pacific States and Territories:

November 2—Williams Gun Club, F. E. Lowe, Secretary, Williams, Ariz.

November 5, 6, 7—Arizona State Tournament, under the auspices of the Tucson Blue Rock Gun Club, W. A. Julian, President, Tucson, Ariz.

November 15, 16, 17—The Arizona State Tournament, scheduled for Tucson, Ariz., November 5, 6, 7, has been transferred to Phoenix, Ariz., under the auspices of the Phoenix Gun Club, and the dates changed to November 15, 16, 17. Sunday, November 14, practice day.

SCOTT McCOY IS DEAD.

Scott McCoy, one of the best-known and ablest of western trainers and race drivers of former days, died at Marion, Ia., on Sunday, Oct. 10, the immediate cause being a stroke of apoplexy. He had been virtually retired from the sulky for several seasons past on account of shattered health, the result of his being struck by a bolt of lightning four years ago while working out a horse at the Columbus, Ohio, Driving Park. The occurrence was a strange one, as the bolt fell from an almost clear sky and hurled him from the sulky, he being found unconscious on the track, and being carried to a hospital, where he was a long while rallying, his death even being reported. At length he slowly got around again and even resumed his duties, but was so weakened and enfeebled that he was obliged to give up and practically retire. He had been for a number of years previous to this time in the employ of Littleton Farm, Washington, Pa., the property of W. H. Davis, and had a stable of horses from that establishment quartered at Columbus when the accident befell him. After retiring from activity he made his home at Marion.

The reports of his death that have reached us fail to state his age or the place of his birth, but it is our impression that he could not have been much above sixty years of age. He rose to fame as a reinsman in the west, and his first pupil of great prominence was that very fast, but somewhat erratic mare, Belle Archer 2:12¾. His skill in making a useful racing tool out of her in the early 'nineties attracted much attention to him, as she had been considered, while of extreme speed, of little account as a money-earner. This led also to his being in great demand as a trainer, or even a "catch" driver with horses difficult to control, and for a number of seasons he was seen behind many of that description, from Ryland T. 2:07¾, down. In the later 'nineties he was employed by W. A. Paxton Jr. as head trainer at his Keystone Farm, near Omaha, Neb., where he attained great success with the colts placed in his charge, winning the two-year-old Kentucky futurity of 1898 with The Merchant, son of The Conqueror 2:12¼, while in 1900 he made a memorable campaign with Contralto 2:10, by the same sire, going through the season unbeaten, and at its close being sold at a large price for export.

Scott's next important engagement was with C. K. G. Billings, whose large matinee stable he took charge of while Mr. Billings was most active as an amateur reinsman, keeping his string at Cleveland, O. He remained with Mr. Billings for several seasons, and then entered the employ of F. G. Jones of Memphis, whose horses he trained until the connection formed by Mr. Jones with E. F. Geers, which still endures. Not long after McCoy went to Littleton Farm, which was his last notable engagement. He also at various times trained a public stable, and the number of famous trotters and pacers that he prepared and drove during his long career was very large.

For pure skill as a trainer Scott McCoy has had few equals and still fewer superiors. He was a master at gaiting and balancing colts and developing their speed, while with aged horses he was equally adept. His patience was infinite, and this it was that helped him much in the many successes he won with horses that other trainers had given up in despair. There seemed to be something magnetic in his touch that soothed and gained the confidence of erratic and irritable speed marvels, and they would race steadily for him when for everyone else they would do nothing but misbehave. He was also a first-class conditioner, and, in his prime, a skilful and even brilliant race driver, with remarkable judgment of pace and resourcefulness in emergencies. He was a brother-in-law of the noted Iowa trainers, the Allen Bros., of Marion, which led to his settlement in that town after retiring from active work, and he continued to the last to take pleasure in sitting behind a promising horse in a work-out, or even in a race. His last ride in public was at the Omaha, Neb., meeting, as late as Sept. 24 last, where, in the 2:08 pace, he drove Kenney Win, one of the Allen Bros.' horses, to fourth money.

The funeral took place on Wednesday, Oct. 13, burial being at Marion. To Mrs. McCoy, who survives her husband, and who was, throughout his career, of great assistance to Scott, being his "helpmate" in the full sense of the term, the sympathies of the members of the Review staff not alone will be extended, but those of a host of friends and acquaintances in all parts of the trotting world.—Horse Review.

SYSTEM IN HORSE BREEDING.

During the past 40 years many millions of dollars have been spent in importing draft horses for breeding purposes, primarily to improve our native stock. That results have not been proportionate to the outlay is seen in the fact that there is hardly a county in the United States where a uniform class of good draft horses can be found. The reasons for this condition are that at the time the big trade began in the '60's, and for several years thereafter, no restrictions were imposed by the United States Government except that the importer must declare that the animals were for breeding purposes. No socities existed for registering; as a consequence many hundreds of stallions, imported annually, were not only of mongrel or mixed blood but carried transmissible diseases and blemishes. This trade flourished to such an extent that it became a common saying among dealers in Europe, when a stallion became unsound, "Put him to one side; fatten him up; he will make a good American."

Comparatively few of the farmers who purchased stallions have ever had much if any experience in buying or breeding, so that naturally any animal a little better than they had been used to looked good to them. Having no fixed standard or type in mind before setting out to buy, the longer they looked the more confused they were, and often "Went all through the woods and chose a crooked stick at last."

These mistakes were not confined to buyers at home, but to importers fresh at the business. In England, especially, the average horses are so much better than in the United States that they all looked good, and suckers were easily taken in, myself among the rest, for, having grown up among what were considered good horses, I went on my first trip to England with as "big" a head as any one else. I paid well for my conceit in my first purchase. For several years afterward I seldom risked my own judgment but took an expert along to protect me.

Too many importers go abroad with the price they will pay as the biggest item in their minds, and are easy victims, for stallions can not travel in England nor win prizes unless a certificate of soundness by a licensed veterinarian is secured; consequently unsound stallions have no market at home, and unscrupulous or inexperienced importers picked them up at nominal prices, and found ready sale at large profits among inexperienced breeders at home.

The government restrictions that are now in force, together with some of the state regulations, will in a measure check this. Allowing weight to be the first consideration has made a market for hundreds of stallions annually, with sidebones, short wind, defective eyes, and other transmissible blemishes and diseases. I can show by my sale books of the last 40 years a much larger percentage of Shire stallions around 1,750 to 1,800 pounds that have been successful breeders than those around 2,000 pounds, because the former are often more perfect in proportions and breed more evenly. Haphazard breeding has been another detrimental custom. The farmer too often fixes on a certain stallion without considering his fitness to mate with his mares, oftentimes breeding the same mare one year to a draft stallion and the next year to a trotter, expecting good results in each case. If he fails he faults the stallion. If community breeding can be arranged in America, as it is in many places in England, it will bring good results. There, farmers of a district appoint a committee to select a stallion suitable for their use, and hire him, with a groom, for the season. If he proves a good breeder, they secure him for several seasons, paying a lump sum for the service. Another plan is to induce a well-known breeder to travel his stallion in their district at a fixed fee. As a result, go into any county in England and one will find a uniform style in the horses, whether Hackneys, coachers, or drafters. The same can be accomplished in America, if a systematic course of breeding is fixed on and followed for a series of years.

If instead of forming large companies by questionable means, as has been done of late years in America, two, three, or at most, four, farmers will join, agree on a class that they will breed, and select a stallion for their own purpose primarily, they can always secure all the outside patronage they wish. A good young stallion will earn his price and cost of keep in three seasons, and then sell for enough to replace him with another of the same class, and so in a few years make the neighborhood noted for a uniform class of good horses that buyers will seek. This method divides the cost and risk and insures a profitable return on a small outlay for each.

Mating ton stallions with small mares results in a large percentage of failures; the progeny are almost sure to be out of proportion in many points, mainly having too much top for legs to carry and remain sound. It is far better "to make haste slowly." Follow the example of scientific English breeders who have achieved world-wide fame, building up their various breeds by a patient, persistent course.—Breeders' Gazette.

CHILDS BROTHERS AT OMAHA.

Frank Childs departed Friday for Omaha, Neb., where he and his brother Marvin will train next year a semi-public stable, in which Edward Peterson and Thomas Dennison, both of Omaha, will be the principal owners. Marvin Childs left the Columbus, O., meeting, going to a meeting in Iowa, where he purchased the Illinois pacer Ben Earl 2:12¼, by The Earl 2:11½, sire of the Grand Circuit war-horse, Earl Jr. 2:01½. Ben Earl was unbeaten this year at last reports, and is credited with the same hardy makeup that has carried Earl Jr. through eight campaigns. He has been inspected by a number of scouts for big ring goods, and all praise his appearance and manners.

Frank Childs bought of F. G. Jones the brown horse Hal Connor p. 2:11¼, for Mr. Dennison, and shipped him with a western-bound car to Omaha. Hal was rated the best green pacer seen in recent years at Memphis, Tenn., last spring, but developed a tendency to jump at the wrong time, and as Mr. Geers is an anti-hobblist, Hal was never in danger of having to "wear them." While not addicted to the hobble methods, Childs will no doubt have him locked on his stride next summer, when the time arrives for action.—Horse Review.

FRANK ERWIN GOES TO SALT LAKE.

F. C. Erwin, the well known harness horse trainer and driver, who has spent the past year or more at Boise, Ida., and who usually has a string of his own, is going to Salt Lake, Utah, where he has been offered and has accepted the superintendence of the track at the state fair grounds. It has a big pavilion in which it is agreed horses may be cooled out. This, Mr. Erwin believes to be the best halfmile track in the entire Northwest with all modern conveniences for horses and men, and there is good racing there every year.

Mr. Erwin will take several good horses from Western Idaho and has quite a number promised from about Salt Lake. It is the first time in fifteen years that Mr. Erwin had a purely public stable. But he has now sold every horse he has and for about a year has been dealing in horses for the armies of European governments. He will now train and race for all who may desire.

It was Frank Erwin who trained College Maid, the wonderful guideless pacer. He showed her at many of the fairs in the Pacific Northwest and it was he who gave her her record of 2:06½ guideless. He trained and raced Oronteo first at twelve years of age and won numerous races with him, taking a record of 2:16¼. He broke and trained Johnny K. 2:16¼ on a halfmile track. Johnny K. was raced six years and was outside the money just twice. Frank also developed most of the sons and daughters of the great horse, Bob Fitzsimmons 2:07¼, that have taken low marks in the Northwest. He recognized Bob as a sire and used and bred him. Jenny Fitzsimmons this year has taken a mark of 2:15¼ and has worked a mile in 2:07. Mack Fitzsimmons 2:08¼ is a horse Erwin brought to his high speed. He sold Yedno, a daughter of Bob Fitzsimmons at five years old. She took a mark at Toronto, Can., this year of 2:02½ in the third heat of a race. Her dam, Golden Silence, is by Gold and her dam Truth by Ben Lomond Jr.

Mr. Erwin will train two or three Fitzsimmons colts at Salt Lake. His prospects seem bright for doing a good business and making some new records and both fair association and Mr. Erwin have the Rural Spirit's best wishes.—Rural Spirit.

TRACEABLE TO FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE.

There will be a complete abandonment of the International Live Stock Exhibition for 1915. Owing to the unfortunate recrudescence of foot-and-mouth there is a very general feeling that it is inexpedient at this time to undertake any sort of an exhibition in Chicago which would attract crowds of people from nearby agricultural districts, as well as from a distance. The directors have been circularized upon this subject, and an overwhelming majority are in favor of abandonment.

While this is most unfortunate, The Gazette is frank to say that it believes that such a course is fully warranted by the existing situation. The experience of the country with foot-and-mouth has been so costly, and of such long duration, that all necessary sacrifices must be made in order to put an end to an intolerable situation in respect of live stock traffic. There seems no other course open but to put hands up, and declare everything off until the clean-up is complete. All of which simply means that when the International comes back, as it surely will in 1916, the event will undoubtedly be celebrated by the opening of the doors upon the grandest aggregation of tip-top specimens of the leading breeds the world has ever seen. Now is the time to begin to prepare for it.

In the meantime The Gazette suggests that it might serve an exceedingly useful purpose if the management would arrange for an early spring stallion show. The quarantines should all be off by that time and such an exhibition would serve an eminently useful purpose.

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Late advices from South America tell of the recent death of the famous Shorthorn bull Americus from enteritis attributed directly to an attack of foot-and-mouth through which the victim had just passed. In fact, the Montevideo Standard of Sept. 4 speaks of the great loss as directly due to this plague. Americus was champion at Palermo in 1913. He was bred by one of Argentina's greatest cattle-growers, Senor Leonardo Pereira, and was sold to Senor Ginocchio for $80,000 Argentine, which at this writing would be the equivalent of about $33,000 American gold. We do not know what the exchange value was at the date the transaction was made, but in any case the loss is a heavy one.

The incident is brought to the notice of those who persist in the assertion that no evil effects follow acute foot-and-mouth. A lot of breeders in other countries know to their sorrow that sometimes such is the case. We can only reiterate our previous statements upon this point—the disease may or may not be followed by disastrous consequences. If a $30,000 Shorthorn succumbs to its after-effects, there would seem to be no reason why a $30,000 or a $10,000 or a $1,000 or a $100 dairy-bred animal might not be similarly attacked. Is it possible that there is any superior immunity from after-effects enjoyed by the milking types? Everybody knows what it did to the Warlaby Shorthorns. Now comes this shining mark—Americus. It is certainly an important as well as a curious fact if this disease is a pronounced respecter of types. —Breeder's Gazette.

THE FARM

SQUAB RAISING.

The raising of squabs both as a regular business and as a side line on farms has become so general that the department, to meet the needs of practical advice on this subject, has assigned one of its poultry specialists to a study of this subject, and also has obtained accurate data as to methods from 22 large breeders and from a large number of those who keep less than 300 pigeons. The questions to which practical replies were received covered all phases of the subject, from breeds that produce the best squabs to the housing, feeding, and general care of the pigeons. The results of investigations and the information supplied by breeders are published in Farmers' Bulletin No. 684, Squab Raising. The bulletin on its first page, however, contains a strong caution which in substance is that while an annual profit of $1.50 for a pair of breeders is considered good, success in raising squabs calls for special experience, business ability, and a good steady market. It points out that many successful pigeon farms make a business of selling breeding stock and are not primarily interested in producing squabs for market. To quote the author, "there have been many failures on squab plants, as the profits in this business have frequently been greatly overestimated and the care of the stock regarded as something very easy in which anyone could succeed."

"Many people," the writer continues, "can keep pigeons successfully as a side issue, although this requires constant oversight and careful attention to details. The greatest difficulties confronting the successful raiser of pigeons seem to be in securing good breeding stock and finding a good market for the produce of a small flock. Pigeons are a profitable source of income on general farms where they may secure much of their feed from the fields, provided they are not a nuisance and the loss by shooting and by hawks, owls, and cats is not large. They can also be raised successfully on farms where they are closely confined, provided the squabs can be marketed to good advantage."

Then it is pointed out that prolific pigeons producing large squabs are commonly kept confined in pens, which involves proper housing and a flyaway, or outside yard, covered with wire. Common pigeons, allowed their liberty, are less prolific and produce smaller squabs. A study of New York squab quotations shows that the price per dozen for dressed squabs falls rapidly as the weight goes down and the color departs from white. While Prime White weighing 10 pounds to the dozen brought $3.75 per dozen in March, 1915, in New York, 6-pound squabs were not quoted above $2 per dozen, while $1.50 was the high price per dozen for dark squabs, and culls brought only 5 or 6 cents apiece. Squabs weighing 8 pounds to the dozen, a fair average weight from good plants, bring various prices abous as follows throughout the year, according to the wholesale quotations in New York: February, $4; March and April $3.25; May and June $2.75; August, $2.50; December, $3.50. A summary of reports from 22 large-scale squab farms showed an average weight of 9 pounds to the dozen and an average price of $3.43 for the year. It must be remembered, however, that the squabs were produced definitely to meet the exact demands of the market, were dressed exactly according to the local requirements, and delivered to the wholesaler in prime condition. It is evident, while these figures are not offered as indicating the prices that the small-scale or new squab raiser can secure, they do establish that care in selecting breeds to produce large-sized squabs is a prime requisite.

Of the squab-raising varieties the Homer is considered the most popular variety. The habit of this bird of returning home if allowed freedom makes it necessary to confine pigeons purchased from other lots. The Carneaux pigeon has recently become popular as a squab producer. This variety is somewhat larger than the Homer and it is stated is about as prolific. Several other varieties of pigeons larger than the Homer are used on a small scale in squad raising, especially in crossing with the Homer and Carneaux to increase the size of squabs. The Runt is one of the largest, but is not as prolific or as good a breedr or feeder as the Homer.

Some of the other varieties reported used as squab breeders are the Dragoon, White Maltese or hen pigeon, the White King, and the common pigeon.

A good mixed feed may be made of staple grains, using equal parts, by weight, of cracked corn, hard red wheat, kafir corn, and Canada peas, with a small quantity (10 per cent) of hemp and millet seed added during the molting period. Other grains which may be substituted for or added to these are peanuts, oats or hulled oats, buckwheat, Egyptian corn, barley, cowpeas, and milo maize, while a small quantity of stale bread, rice, rape, millet, canary, vetch, and sunflower seed may be fed for variety. Canada peas are expensive, but seem to be essential to the best results, especially during the breeding season, and apparently take the place of green fed to some extent. Peanuts are being used to some extent in place of Canada peas. Green fed such as cut clover, alfalfa and grass, lettuce, and plaintain leaves may be fed to advantage, but is not absolutely essential.

A variety of good, hard grains is essential to success, and grains which are in poor condition should not be fed. Old grains which are hard are better than new soft grains, especially for pigeons with squabs. Red wheat is considered better than white wheat by many pigeon breeders. Good wheat screenings are often fed with success, as they usually contain a variety of seeds. Various stimulating seeds, such as lentils and vetch, are sometimes fed as a tonic to breeding birds during the molting period.

The grain may be fed on the floor of the pen, in troughs, or kept before the birds in hoppers. It is not generally considered advisable to feed the grain on the ground, especially on heavy soil where it may get wet and moldy. Unless the floor is kept clean it is better to feed the grain in troughs than on the floor. The troughs should be made so that the pigeons will not roost on them and soil the feed with their droppings. Hoppers are used with good success, but may attract rats in some pigeon houses. They should bt fitted with wires or nails about 2 inches apart so that the pigeons can not waste the feed by throwing it onto the floor. If the grain is not fed in hoppers the pigeons should be fed twice daily, in the morning and in the afternoon, at regular hours, giving from 1½ to 2 quarts of grain at each meal to 20 pairs of pigeons and adding an extra pint if the pigeons have may squabs. The feeder must regulate the quantity of grain according to the appetite of the birds, giving them all they will clean up in one to two hours.

The cost of feeding a pair of pigeons varies from $1 to $1.50 a year at the present price of grains (1914). Reports from a number of pigeon farms give an average cost of $1.32.

Clear drinking water, grit, broken oyster shell, and charcoal should be kept before the pigeons all the time. Salt is fed to pigeons in various forms and a supply of this material is generally considered essential. Pigeons not accustomed to eating fine salt are apt to eat too much if given a large quantity at one time, although fine salt is used with good success by many careful feeders. Salt may be fed in a lump form, such as rock salt or as fine salt moistened and baked into a hard lump, without danger of the pigeons eating too much. Salt may also be fed mixed with grit, charcoal, and oyster shell.

Pans of water should be provided daily except during the winter and placed in the yards or flyways. These bath pans are usually filled in the morning and emptied about noon. They should be used only about twice a week during the winter, but should then be kept on the floor of the house.

As squabs are reared and fed by both of the parent birds on a thick, creamy mixture called pigeon milk, produced in the crop of the pigeons, It is essential that pigeons rearing squabs should have a plentiful supply of grain to insure rapid growth of the young. Pigeons usually feed the squabs shortly after they themselves are fed and should not be disturbed at that time, thus making it advisable to water them before they are fed. Care should always be taken not to frighten or disturb pigeons or squabs any more than is absolutely necessary.

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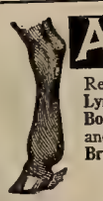
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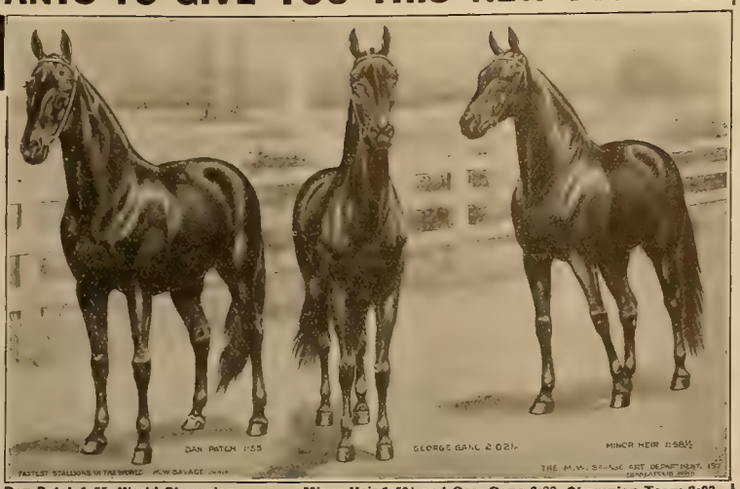
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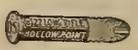
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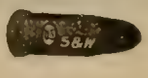
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(NUMBER 5 CAR TO SEVENTH AVENUE)

Sale starts at 7:00 p. m. and contains the following horses:

From C. L. DeRYDER, Agent:

El Volante S., b h, (5) by El Volante (3) 2:13¼, dam Seville by Strathway; 2nd dam by Simmons; 3rd dam by Baron Wilkes; 4th dam by Mambrino Patchen. One of the handsomest horses in California and with limited training as a three-year-old showed a mile better than 2:20. Stright and sound every way and a pick-up for any one wanting a fine, well-bred young stallion.

Bay Filly, (2), trotter, by Zombro 2:11; dam Katherine A. by Diablo 2:09¼. With a very limited training as a two-year-old showed a quarter in 36 seconds. Has never been trained since and is sound and straight every way. Full sister to Zomerine S. (3), trial 2:16.

Two-year-old filly by The Bondsman, dam Rosemary 2:25 by Raymon 2:27¼; nicely broken as a yearling, since when she has been on pasture.

Blanca S. (5) by Red McK. 43766, dam Katherine A. by Diablo 2:09¼; a show mare, never trained for speed.

Katherine A., brood mare by Diablo 2:09¼, dam by A. W. Richmond.

Rosemary 2:25, brood mare, by Raymon 2:27¼, dam Black Bess by Guide 2:16¼.

Dr. Dawson, bay gelding, pacer, trial 2:11¼, by Del Coronado 2:09½; never raced, but has the speed to win; one to buy to race next year; level headed and free legged.

Black mare, five-year-old, by Oh So 2:25½, and two of her produce, an unbroken two-year-old by Directly 2:03¼ and a weanling by Vernon McKinney 2:01½. Right all around.

Crabtree's Gift, broodmare, by Hedgewood Boy 2:01, dam Trusty Maud 2:24¼ by Beaumont, grandam Flo M. by Keeler 3465.

Prince Del Monte, ch g, trotter, foaled 1906 (tr. 2:15½), by Kinney Lou 2:07¾. Prince Del Monte is a full brother to Della Lou 2:15¾. He is handsome enough for a show horse and gentle enough for a lady to ride or drive. Sound in every respect and is sold to settle an account.

Leola Lou, gr m, trotter, by Kinney Lou 2:07¾; dam Princess Leola by Lionel K., son of Bay Rose 2:20½; 2nd dam Lady Menlo by Menlo 13028 by Nutwood 600. She is a fine, large road mare, gentle for a lady to drive and has been used exclusively by Mrs. MacKenzie. She is sold for no fault.

Asa Pointer, bay gelding, by Star Pointer 1:59¼, dam Eva H. by Washington McKinney 2:17½. This is a very fast son of the old original two-minute pacing king and has shown himself to be possessed of a great flight of speed, as he has a public work to his credit of 2:06¼.

Bay horse, by Copa de Oro 2:01, one of the best present day sires of speed in California.

Bay filly, yearling, by Graham Bellini (3) 2:11¼.

Filagree (registered broodmare), by Beau B.

From BUDD DAVIS, Caldwell, Idaho:

McGregor Bond, 60149, b g by The Bondsman; dam Gregan by Steinway 2:25¾; 2nd dam Maggie McGregor by Robert McGregor 2:17½, etc. He is a nice, fine looking two-year-old, just nicely broken but has never been trained. A better bred or finer looking colt does not live, and with just a little training will show enough to make him worth while.

Brown Filly (2), trotter, by The Bondsman, dam Ava J. 2:28 by Zombro 2:11; 2nd dam Ventura by Secretary. She is a little beauty and is sure to make a trotter. She is by The Bondsman and her dam is by Zombro 2:11, McKinney's best son.

From E. A. SWABY, Dixon:

Roan mare (6) by San Francisco 2:07¾, dam Birdie (dam of Bodaker 2:13) by Jay Bird 5060; grandam Lady Lyle by Geo. Wilkes 2:22. Bred right, handsome, 16 hands, 1100 lbs., a trotter, sound, gentle for road use and broken to ride. You will like her.

From T. D. SEXTON, Oakland:

Lucretia Bond (3), br f by The Bondsman, dam Lucretia 2:13¼ by Nazote 33527 (full brother to Azote 2:04½), grandam Lucyneer by Electioneer 125. Here is a nice filly for someone, a little beauty and making speed every day. It is safe to say that she will show better than a twelve gait by the day of sale. Don't overlook her.

From MRS. C. L. JONES, Modesto:

Johnny, a standard bred gelding, has worked in 2:20 pacing, but is now a full fledged saddle horse. He goes that old Kentucky single foot as oily as can be, and will soon show all five gaits. A nice young pleasure horse, one you will enjoy owning.

From H. S. HOGOBOOM, Woodland:

Palo King (2) 2:28½ by Marengo King, dam Palo Belle 2:24½ by Palo Alto 2:08¾. A well bred stallion of proven worth, the only one standing for service in California at present who is the sire of a three-year-old with a race record of 2:09.

Beautiful Bird, bay mare, by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, dam Expressive (3) 2:12½ by Electioneer 125, grandam Esther by Express. The recent performances of Mary Putney have made these blood lines familiar. This mare should be more sought after than any other matron in this sale as she is a beautiful individual, a regular breeder, and has already produced three standard trotters. Like all of the Hogoboom consignment, she is sold purely and simply because her owner must have the money.

Beautiful Morn 2:25, bay mare by Iran Alto 2:12¼, dam Beautiful Bird.

Beautiful Girl 2:29¾, bay mare, by Iran Alto, dam Beautiful Bird.

Woodland King (3), bay colt by Palo King, dam Beautiful Bird. This youngster has shown that he is better than a standard trotter and is a nice individual.

Little Express (2) **2:20,** bay filly by Alto Express, dam Diawalda, a double producing daughter of Diablo 2:09¼. You all know this filly as she won the two-year-old pacing division of the Breeders Futurity Stake last year.

Marlin, bay gelding, by Dialect, son of Diablo 2:09¼. This is a big, stout pacing gelding belonging to the estate of the late Dr. Randolph and is a fast horse as Mr. Hogoboom has driven him in August of this year a mile in 2:08¼ without hopples.

High Head (2), by Palo King.

Sun Up (3), by Palo King.

From F. E. EMLAY, Marysville:

Washington McKinney Jr. 49593 by Washington McKinney 2:17½, dam Hazel Turk by Silas Skinner 2:17, grandam Miss Brown by Volunteer 2:27, etc. Washington McKinney Jr. is a good sized, good gaited trotter and has worked the Marysville track in 2:12¼ well within himself. He was prevented from filling his recent engagements by sickness and has now rounded to in excellent shape.

From C. W. BOWERS, Davis:

College Boy II. by The Magnet. Elmo Montgomery worked this colt 90 days and says that he can count on one hand the horses that have done what this colt did in the same length of time. He has worked in 2:16 and Elmo regards him very highly.

From HENRY B. SMITH, Pleasanton:

Della H. 2:10 by Hal B. 2:04½ (sire of Hay Boy 2:01¼ and many others), dam Jessie M. trial 2:22 by Del Norte 2:08. Della H. is a full sister to Hal J. 2:09¼ and is too well and favorably known to need comment here. Only two years ago she was unbeatable through the California circuit and she is still just as good. Only the lack of local classes for her puts her on the market.

Lottie D., bay filly (4) by Charlie D. 2:06¼, dam by Nutwood Wilkes, grandam Cricket 2:10. This is a nice filly and bred right to go on with.

Alton S. 2:15, chestnut gelding by Alton. This is a good mannered race horse and is much faster than his record as he has worked the Pleasanton track in 2:09.

From F. GOMMET, San Francisco:

Prince McKinney 2:29¼ by McKinney 2:11¼, dam Zorilla by Dexter Prince, grandam Lilly Thorne by Electioneer 125. Prince McKinney was a good two-year-old trotter and is a proven sire of speed.

Baby Gommet, (4) bay mare by Prince McKinney, dam Arawanna B. (dam of Sweet Princess 2:13¼) by Sidney Dillon. This is a nice mare with a lot of developed speed as she has worked for Al Schwartz in 2:10, with a quarter in 30 seconds.

From WM. STUART, Eureka:

Irving Pointer (8) by Star Pointer 1:59¼. This is a good, big stout, sound horse, gentle, stands 16 hands, weighs 1250 pounds and should make someone a good stock horse.

Philip Pointer (3) by Irving Pointer. This youngster has been a quarter in 33 seconds and is worth training.

From AL SCHWARTZ, San Francisco:

Ray Alto, chestnut horse, by Iran Alto 2:12¼, with a trotting trial of 2:18, and **May Alto,** with a two-year-old trial of 2:26, also by by Iran Alto 2:12¼. These are put on the market because Mr. Schwartz has too many horses. The horse is a handsome one, broken to ride, and the mare is on pasture.

From JERRY DORAN, Oakland:

Bay gelding, two-year-old, by The Bondsman; good conformation and bred to make speed early. Will be broken to harness before sale day.

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SOME PURELY PERSONAL OPINIONS.

The writer, who much prefers to praise than to criticise, has derived a considerable amount of satisfaction from the fact that horse racing in California and the Pacific Northwest, especially during the present season, has been remarkably free of suspicious driving or conduct of any improper sort necessitating action by the judges. The spring meeting at the exposition passed off without a cloud of any kind, and the fall meeting progressed famously in this respect until Thursday, when circumstances compelled the judges to penalize one driver, while another showed "symptoms" which fortunately failed to develop to a point where a diagnosis and operation would have been imperative. It is the more regrettable, owing to the fact that both gentlemen in question should have at heart the best interests of the harness horse and do everything in their power to keep racing absolutely clean rather than to cast suspicion upon it. They are, moreover, a couple for whom the writer entertains a high personal regard, making any comment upon their conduct all the more unpleasant to him.

In the 2:17 trot, C. A. Spencer, driving The Proof, was beaten by Al Schwartz with Matawan in the ridiculously slow time of 2:20, Mr. Spencer making no effort to win the heat of a nature apparent either to the judges or the spectators. The horse had shown his ability on Monday to trot much faster, and even with a full understanding of all conditions surrounding the race, some of which were a bit unusual but in no way contrary to propriety, I have not yet been able to decide to my own personal satisfaction why in the name of Death Valley and other equally famous hot places Spencer drove as he did. The theory advanced in some quarters that Matawan might have been "meant" and played on a few handbooks I cannot give credence, being ridiculous on the very surface. Taking things "by and large," however, the kindest thing that can be said is that Mr. Spencer, duly credited with every honest intention, drove not merely like a wooden man but like one who had been the subject of a visitation of a "stroke" of some sort, the result of which was complete and instantaneous ossification — from the neck up. That he got off with a fine of $100 is, to my way of regarding these things, a stroke of good fortune for him.

The other "incipient case" was that of Mr. Sexton, with Future Tramp. After winning the second heat in 2:08¼, Friend Tim displayed a rather coy and blushing disinclination to be among those present in fast company. After driving a few furlongs, however, he apparently underwent a change of heart and set sail with the little trotter and assumed his proper position as a contender in the race. In the stretch he was well up when a break by both Esperanza and Future Tramp, the former swerving directly in front of Sexton's mount, left Maymack the undisputed winner. I have no fault to find with Mr. Sexton's intentions after the first three-eighths of the last heat, but if he was really "gunning" for the race when the last heat started, and if he goes gunning for scalps in the same way, I will stake him to a tried and trusty "weepon" and give him the first two shots when he starts after mine.

These things are not pleasant to mention, but they should not have been allowed to happen in the first place. I do not believe either driver will again be an offender, and this mention of these particular instances may serve as a restraint upon others who might get a bit locoed in their ideas of how to drive in public races. The welfare of harness horse racing demands that it be clean, and I hope I may never again be called upon to express myself in criticism of my friends, whom I value, or of my few enemies, on whom I would be no more severe.

This is not an editorial opinion of the Breeder and Sportsman, but a purely personal view of the news editor.

W. M. NEAL.

[Please note—The fighting editor is on a vacation.]

HORSES FOR CHICAGO SALE.

Owing to the scarcity of racing and breeding operations on this coast at present, very many people incline to the belief that the east affords a much better market for their surplus than does the home country, and are preparing to send a number of horses to the Chicago Sale, December 13 to 18, in charge of the well known Los Angeles horseman R. A. ("Bob") Smith. Mr. Smith, whose home address is 1216 Dewey avenue, Los Angeles, is at present attending the exposition race meeting, and believes that by shipping time he will have assembled a band of California trotters and pacers for which the patrons of the Chicago sale will pay excellent prices, as he is already assured of a goodly number of the proper sort. The consignments made in his care will be assembled at San Francisco and Los Angeles and personally conducted to the sale ring, no advance money being required for transportation expenses. Times in the east are improving rapidly, according to the reports from that section, and persons wishing to send horses to the Chicago market should get in touch with Mr. Smith at once.

SAN JOSE TRACK TO LEASE.

The San Jose Driving Park, whose destiny for the last several months has been rather uncertain, has now passed back into the hands of its owners, who are not horsemen or race promoters but who wish to preserve the property as it stands, believing that harness horse racing is eventually due to rise on a wave of popularity that will make the plant a most desirable and profitable one. To this end, they desire to lease it for a term of years to some practical and popular horseman who will maintain it as a training ground and be "in line" with horsemen in general.

The San Jose track needs no introduction to local trainers, as it is accepted as one of the best and safest of courses, both for training and racing. There are ample stabling accommodations, the quarters being in a fair state of repair, and the infield and the tract of several acres adjoining the residence furnish quite a bit of pasture, a good portion of the land available for agricultural purposes having a fair stand of alfalfa. A good proposition will be offered the right man, and any wideawake hustler interested in the same may obtain all particulars from S. C. Campbell, 910 South Third Street, San Jose.

DeRYDER SALE NEXT WEEK.

Promptly at seven o'clock on the evening of Wednesday, November 10, at the Riding and Driving School in this city, Auctioneer William Higginbottom will ask for bids on the five-year-old trotting stallion El Volante S., number one in the catalog of offerings at Charley DeRyder's annual sale of trotting horses. Forty-two individuals in all are catalogued and there will be a few others put up, consignment of which was made too late for publication, so that Mr. Higginbottom has a busy evening in store for him.

Seventeen horses of various ages and sexes are consigned by C. L. DeRyder as agent for various owners, the band including stallions, broodmares, colts, fillies and well developed racing prospects, among the latter being El Volante S. by El Volante, with a three-year-old trial of 2:20 at the trot; Blanca S. by Red McK., a show mare with a lot of natural speed; Dr. Dawson by Del Coronado, a free-legged pacing gelding that has gone the route in 2:11¼; Prince Del Monte by Kinney Lou, that has trotted in 2:15¾, and Asa Pointer by Star Pointer, a five-year-old gelding, sound and right, that has worked in 2:06¼ and has paced three heats better than 2:09. The mares are by such sires as Beau B. 32606, Kinney Lou 2:07¾, Hedgewood Boy 2:01, Oh So 2:25½, Raymon 2:27¼ and Diablo 2:09¼, while there are partially developed prospects and young things by Zombro 2:11, The Bondsman, Graham Bellini (3) 2:11¼, Directly 2:03¼, Vernon McKinney 2:01½ and Copa de Oro 2:01. None of them are sold for fault, and many are offered solely that old accounts may be squared up, so you may know there is no reserve on them. Incidentally, it may be well to remember that by-bidding has ben sonspicuous at Mr. DeRyder's former sales principally through its absence.

F. E. Emlay, the Marysville horseman, sends the seven-year-old stallion Washington McKinney Jr., recommending him as a fast natural trotter, with work to his credit in 2:12½, halves in 1:04 and quarters in :31, while from the establishment of H. S. Hogoboom at Woodland comes a draft of nine that "will do." "Hi" Hogoboom needs no introdution to horsemen, nor do his horses, and the latter are sold only on account of the fact that the owner needs the money to meet the deficit caused by the dearth of racing and breeding operations here on the coast. He has more at home and sends the ones that should sell best, topping the bunch with the stallion Palo King 2:28½, the only horse at present at service in California to sire a three-year-old with a race record of 2:09, and the great brood mare Beautiful Bird (dam of three trotters) by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, dam the still greater matron Expressive (3) 2:12½ (dam of three in 2:10 and half-sister to the dam of Mary Putney (3) 2:05½). Two daughters and one son of Beautiful Bird are in the consignment, as is last year's futurity winner Little Express (2) 2:20. Last year this filly beat Bondalean but while she has her speed with her this season, also, Hi figured the Silva colt too much of a wolf and didn't pay up in the stakes. The bunch is rounded out by a couple of Palo King geldings that should prove useful in the future, and for the estate of Dr. Randolph of Willows Hi also sends the pacer Marlin, with a trial in August of this year in 2:08¼.

Various owners are represented by consignments of excellent quality, the greater portion of which should find new owners readily. C. W. Bowers of Davis sends the bay colt College Boy II. that has shown Elmo Montgomery a mile in 2:16 in ninety days' handling, while from E. A. Swaby of the same town comes a handsome six-year-old daughter of San Francisco 2:07¾, out of the dam of Bodaker 2:13—Birdie by Jay Bird 5060. Here is breeding for you, and the girl has the other qualities that should accompany it. Jerry Doran puts in a nice two-year-old bay gelding, just broken, by The Bondsman and out of a registered mare, and any one in search of one of those dreamy gaited saddle horses is advised to watch for Number 31, a good one. "The Bondsmans" are doing nicely at the races, thank you, and Budd Davis of Caldwell, Idaho, offers a pair of them, two-year-olds, that are bred to be as good as they come—a gelding from Gregan by Steinway, grandam by Robert McGregor, and a filly out of Ava J. 2:28 by Zombro 2:11. They have been on pasture and are in good condition.

Henry Smith of Pleasanton, also feeling the lack of racing severely, sends along three that have been tried and not found wanting, Della H. 2:10, a game race mare still good in her class; Alton S. 2:15, a good chestnut gelding with a public trial of 2:09, with fractional distances at a two-minute gait, and Lottie D., a four-year-old filly by Charley D. 2:06¼, with maternal crosses through developed dams to Nutwood Wilkes and Steinway. This lass has been a mile in 2:15, half in 1:04, quarters in :30, and Henry sends her as sound. All of these will do to race.

F. Gommet of this city puts in Prince McKinney (2) 2:29¾, and a four-year-old filly by him, Baby Gommet, dam Arawanna B. by Sidney Dillon. The Prince is a proven speed sire and a high class horse, one that should prove useful in any section. He has always been owned here in San Francisco and has had access to but few mares, but has sired two to beat 2:10 in their work, Sweet Princess, trial 2:08, and Baby Gommet, trial 2:10. The Baby is a nice filly, gentle and good headed, wears few boots and no panties.

Wm. Stewart recommends to anyone wishing a stock horse the eight-year-old stallion Irving Pointer, trial 2:16. He is a big fellow, a good foal getter, and useful on the road, a son of Star Pointer and Maud J. C. by Nearest. Mr. Stewart also sends Phylip Pointer by Irving Pointer, dam Phyllis B. 2:24½ by Greco B., and thinks he will do to train. He is a three-year-old, gelded, and has paced quarters this summer in :33.

The cataloged offerings conclude with a nicely bred pair, brother and sister, consigned by Al Schwartz, who is reducing his holdings in horseflesh. They are by Iran Alto 2:12¼ and out of Lorenzo Girl, trial 2:13, by Monterey 2:09—a five-year-old chestnut gelding and a six-year-old mare. The gelding has worked in 2:18 on the trot and may either be driven or ridden by a lady in perfect safety, while if trained may do to race. The mare has been breeding, having raised one colt and now being believed with foal to the cover of Prince McKinney.

Anyone wishing horses for any sort of use can certainly find them among the above and should be on hand when the sale starts. The Riding and Driving School is on Seventh avenue, near Fulton street, and may be reached without transfer from downtown points by the McAllister car, Number Five.

Good Racing at Fair

A welcome stranger in our midst, one somewhat elongated gentleman answering to the name of Tommy or Thomas W. Murphy, according to the degree of formality gracing the particular occasion, gathered unto his strong box a brace of nice yallertinted thousand dollar bills and some odd change in dollars and two-bit pieces on opening day of the fall meeting of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, the exact figures being $2,093.75—none of it Mexican money, either. So far as Mr. Murphy's perfectly good intentions were concerned his initial winnings might have been a trifle larger, but had not Senor Ricardo McMahon's equally good intentions gone wrong the Murphy share would have been a little less, so the Poughkeepsie wizard is well content with the way things turned out.

Monday was a pleasanter racing day than almost any of the June meeting, as the sun was out full and clear, what little fog was in evidence hung to the opposite side of the Golden Gate, and there was not such a pronounced breeze to buck down the back stretch. The track afforded a bit better going, also, but the November sun quickly gets under the brow of the encircling hills of the Presidio and the grandstand is in the shade throughout the afternoon. The opening day crowd was not what it should have been, but as the publicity department of the exposition had not done much overtime work in an endeavor to attract people to the meeting or make it easy for the public to get there they certainly could not have expected any million. The fields were not large but at that most of the wiseheads failed to name three winners in advance, and there were a few displays of stretch driving that brought much pleasure to the spectators.

Virginia Barnette, Bonnie Ansel, Major's By Guy and Agnes Carter were the starters in the meeting's initial event, and for a small field they were a hard lot to get away, Starter Updegraff having to sound the recall six or seven times before finally letting them go. Virginia was a bit nervous the first time or so down but settled to good behavior, Agnes Carter being the main offender through scoring on a pace, eventually being put on her own protection. The start was rather ragged and Major's By Guy broke shortly after the word, Virginia taking the pole on the turn with Bonnie second. Agnes broke on the back stretch and from there on it was Virginia all the way, with the other mare hanging with her well, the two slacking their pace a bit just before reaching the wire as though to give the others a chance to get inside the flag. However, Mr. Sandy Smith is a grim little executioner and he chortled in fiendish glee as he dropped the red rag some instants prior to the arrival of either Agnes or the Major at his post. In the second heat Durfee evidently underestimated Bonnie's brush, Spencer bringing the big mare in a nice winner in 2:09¼, the last half being trotted in 1:03¼, the pair coming around the short turn in thirty-one seconds. Different tactics were adopted in the final heat, the girls going to the half in 1:07 and then slowing up a bit around the turn, with Durfee in the trail. In the stretch both had a lot of whizz and the brush was a pretty one, Virginia winning with the big mare's nose at her saddle, the last quarter being at a flat two-minute gait by the official time, so the Durfee mare must have done it a bit better than :29¾.

The 2:09 pace furnished the upset of the afternoon, The Beaver being generally regarded as the boss of his bunch, the other starters being Major Ong, John Malcolm and Soumise. Billy Fleming, while able to be present, much to the gratification of his many friends among the spectators, was in no condition to drive and his place in the pilot house of the Canadian destroyer was filled by Dick McMahon. Major Ong was an unknown quantity to all save a very few of those present, Soumise was acknowledged to be in company a little too rapid for her in her present form, and John Malcolm, while known to be a very fast horse, is a very uncertain one. Malcolm drew the pole and took the field away on the first score, the Major and The Beaver close up around the turn. Pilot McMahon, who was in strange waters, laid a course down the inside passage of Goat Getter channel and rang for full speed ahead, getting an immediate response. The good boat surged through the chop all same like Oregon Kid II. and for a moment promised to go to the front, but of a sudden was seen to be settling by the stern with the bow riding high and the distance gained was lost. From the stand the exact cause could not be determined, but one of the twin propellers struck a soft spot that broke away under the force of the impact. Murphy asked it of the Major in the stretch, but Malcolm stayed pacing and won in a neat drive. Daniels went to the front again in the second, and The Beaver broke but settled quickly near the three-eighths. Around the hogshead curve Ong was in the trail where he would have been compelled to take out to third place ordinarily to get a shot for the wire, but Malcolm came wide on the turn, letting him slip through to win by an open length from The Beaver, Malcolm breaking in the stretch and just escaping the flag. The Beaver cut out the pace in the last heat but broke under the drive in front of the club house, the heat and race going to the Murphy gelding, the flag catching Soumise and Malcolm, the latter having lost much ground through an early break.

The 2:15 trot was a gift for Mirthful, with the other entries trotting creditable races, Bon Courage displaying a lot of lick but being unsteady. The Proof, not a handsome gaited trotter but a dogged one, hung on well and Seneca Boy went a well behaved race for Charley DeRyder. The summary:

Monday, Nov. 1.—2:20 trot, purse $2,000:

Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr 2:07¼ by Zombro 2:11.....(W. G. Durfee) 1 2 1
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby 2:20.. .....(Spencer) 2 1 2
Major's By Guy, br h by Major Dillon 2:18½—By Guy by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼.....(Alvord) ds
Agnes Carter, b m by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½—Excella by Monbells 2:23¾.....(Schwartz) ds

Time—:32¾, 1:07¼, 1:40¾, 2:11¼
:32½, 1:06 , 1:37 , 2:09¾
:32½, 1:07 , 1:42 , 2:12

Distribution of purse—Virginia Barnette $875, Bonnie Ansel $625, Association $500.

2:09 pace, purse $2,500:

Major Ong, b g by Major Gantz 2:08½—Bessie J. by Iowa Sentinel 2:29¾.....(Murphy) 2 1 1
The Beaver, br h by Searchlight 2:03¼—Ripple 2:28½ by Glenbrook.....(McMahon) 3 2 2
John Malcolm, br g by Dan Logan 2:07¼—Susie Miller by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½.....(Daniels) 1 4 ds
Soumise, b m by Billy Dunlap—Cricket Basler by Robert Basler .....(Leggett) 4 3 ds

Time—:33¼, 1:07 , 1:40½, 2:09½
:31 , 1:03¼, 1:35½, 2:06½
:31¾, 1:05 , 1:37½, 2:07

Distribution of purse—Major Ong $1,093.75, The Beaver $562.50, John Malcolm $375, Soumise $126.25, Association $312.50.

2:15 trot, purse $2,000:

Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen—Lizzie Belle Smith by George Simmons 2:28.....(Murphy) 1 1 1
Seneca Boy, ch g by King Entertainer 2:10½—Seneca Maid 2:30 by John Adams(C. L. DeRyder)2 2 2
The Proof, b h by The Exponent 2:11¾—Chord 2:27 by Wilkes Boy 2:24½.....(Spencer) 3 3 3
Bon Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney (3) 2:24¼—Helen Keyes by Sidney Dilon.....(Hayes) 4 4 ds

Time—:32 , 1:05½, 1:38½, 2:10¼
:32½, 1:05 , 1:38¾, 2:10½
:32¾, 1:07 , 1:39¾, 2:10¾

Distribution of purse—Mirthful $1,000, Seneca Boy $500, The Proof $300, Bon Courage $100, Association $100.

Second Day, Tuesday, Nov. 2.

Mark it up forty-six thousand, three hundred and eighty-five dollars, you dopesters who are keeping cases on Peter Scott's winnings for the season of 1915, for the big brown son of Peter the Great annexed ten thousand bucks here today when he straight-heated the field in the twenty-thousand dollar 2:10 trot at the exposition. Only once seriously challenged, the Murphy trotter won like the true race horse he is over a track that was heavy and holding, a good two or three seconds slow. The balance of the stake money remains in California for purely local circulation, Miss Perfection taking $5,000 for that good sportsman, Rod MacKenzie, Spriggan drawing $2,250 for V. K. Dunne, Esperanza tucking $1,500 into her sock for safe keeping until her arrival back home in the city of angels, and Baby Doll laying claim to $1,250 for the benefit of I. L. Borden's strongbox. Axtien, starting in the race a very lame horse, and Electric Patch, who had a bit of hard luck, barely missed connection for portions of the money, while San Felipe, clearly outclassed, managed to last through the three heats on the right side of the distance flag.

Miss Perfection, with a world of friends among the spectators, was fortunate enough to draw the pole in the position lottery, with Esperanza second, Electric Patch third, Baby Doll fourth, San Felipe fifth, Pet Scott sixth, Axtien seventh and Spriggan eighth, t latter scoring in the trail. It was a good manner field, and after a couple of warming up scores Start Updegraff sent them away in pretty fair shape, Mi Perfection going to the front from the first. Bo Axtien and Esperanza broke before getting out the straightaway, and on the turn an unlucky mixu butted in to play a part in apportioning the mone Just how it happened is hard to say, as no two peop see these mishaps alike, but Spriggan and Electr Patch hooked sulkies with the result that Macey wa thrown out and Spriggan was put down on all four coming up trotting and going on in the race, whil Electric, going guideless, refused to trample on hi pedigree by misbehavior and trotted along as uncon cernedly as could be until stopped at the paddoc gate by caretakers. At the half it was Perfectio Peter and Baby Doll, with Spriggan coming steadil and taking the long route on the short turn. In th stretch Peter swung into second position and race alongside Miss Perfection, both Murphy and DeRyde doing some excellent teaming, the stallion wearin down the game brown filly in the last few feet an winning by a small margin in 2:07¼, a new trottin record for the local course by a full second. Spriggan finished third a bit back, with Baby Doll fourth an Esperanza fifth. The judges, after considerable de liberation and the interviewing of a number of team sters, settled upon Spriggan as the goat for the spil on the turn and placed him last, naming Electri Patch the seventh horse and advancing the balanc of the field one notch, a stroke of good fortune fo Messrs. Berry and Borden. It is a question wit some as to whether Spriggan was properly penalized they viewing Peter Scott as the possible cause of th initial troubles of Spriggan, but no intentional mis conduct can be laid to any of the parties concerned These things will come, at times, and it is fortunat that no more serious results accrued.

They were off on the first score in the secon heat, the lame Axtien making an early break. Pete Scott assumed the lead, with Perfection just outsid him, and down through the "narrows" both Spriggan and Electric Patch moved up, the former on th inside and the latter taking to the beach, Spriggan landing third into the turn and keeping that positio to the wire, Scott winning more easily than in the first mile. The Patch horse, none too fit after his experience previously, tired a bit toward the las and Esperanza, coming well to the outside, copped the five hundred that went to the fourth horse. Ax tien, after repeated breaks, was on the wrong side of Sandy Smith's fateful banner when Scott went under the wire.

For the third and final heat the field again came down in nice shape on the first score and were given the word to go on, Perfection dropping into Scott's trail and Baby Doll ranging up alongside. Past the quarter Quinn quickened the pace and took Peter to the half in 1:04½, the fastest first half of the race, but the gait was a bit swift and the Borden mare left her feet and lost her advantageous position, Peter leading Perfection, Spriggan, Esperanza and Electric Patch around the turn in the order named. The MacKenzie mare was again a good second, with Spriggan a couple of open lengths back for third and Esperanza fourth, the Durfee mare having spoiled her chance for a better position by a break in the stretch. All in all, the money went about as the most knowing ones had expected, and was won on merit. Spriggan's shaking up and Electric Patch's mishap undoubtedly caused these horses to be a bit off edge for the balance of the race, but had the accident not occurred it is doubtful if any material change would have been made in the distribution of the lion's share of the purse. Peter Scott "had the class," and Miss Perfection trotted a faultless race. The footing rather favored the more rugged Scott, and had the going been drier and lighter the time hung out would have been considerably faster.

Only four three-year-old trotters put in an appearance for the historic Occident stake, and of these the Hemet Stock Farm filly, Allie Lou, was much the best. Charley DeRyder had the mount behind her and drove her a nice race, having the others at his mercy after the first heat. With Carl and May Alto some lengths behind them, Allie and Byron went to the three-quarters in 1:44 and then indulged in a nice little duel through the last quarter in :31½, a final clip very nearly as fast as that set by the big stake trotters. DeRyder, a stranger to the home three-year-olds, perhaps underestimated Byron's capacity

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nd in a late drive, with the black colt just overhauling her, the Hemet filly left her feet only a few yards rom the wire and the heat went to the Los Angeles ad. The second heat was a "comedy of errors" for ll save Allie Lou. Carl, Byron and May Alto all had unsteady notions that cost them much ground. Taking no chances on losing a race with another man's horse, DeRyder kept plugging away, going to the half in 1:05¼ and the three-quarters in 1:39. Once well into the stretch he began a lifelike imitation of the policy now immortalized as one of "watchful waiting," but watch as he could and wait as he did, to say nothing of listening with a pair of very acute ears, he could get no tidings of the enemy, so pulled down to a jog to enable them to beat the flag, May Alto not being able to turn the trick at that. The third heat was also an easy one for the winner, with both Byron and Carl trotting better miles than in the second time out and finishing much closer up, though not in striking distance of the brown filly.

The 2:12 pace, like its winner, was a "small horse and soon curried." Hal Boy, the hard luck hero of the season, east and west, drew the pole and the lead right at the outset and never surrendered either, taking three in a row in 2:08¼, 2:06¾ and 2:07¾. He was never extended and Dick McMahon merely sat still and peeled an observing eye at the contest going on just to the right of him, and a trifle to the rear, for place. The pacers, like the trotters of the day, were on their good behavior and there were no delays in scoring. Hal Boy, Red Rock and Pointer's Daughter were the leading trio at the quarter, Potrero Boy moving up down the back stretch and taking the long route on the turn, pacing fast. Red Rock landed the place handily, but Potrero Boy and Pointer's Daughter hit it up nose and nose for third money, the judges seeing the mare's muzzle in the lead. In the second, Potrero carried Hal to the half in 1:02½ but tired from there home, the Daughter finishing second lengths ahead of him, Daniels having to use the bud to stave off the rush of Princess Patch. The third heat found the leaders well bunched throughout the mile, the Sacramento gelding taking second from the Santa Maria mare in a close drive. Red Rock, on three legs, tired after his first heat.

The day was far from being a good racing day, as a thick fog hung over the bay country throughout the daylight hours and the clay track soaked up moisture like a sponge. The going was not dangerous, but packed hard in a very short time and was of just the right consistency to be holding and tiring, especially to horses who have a pronounced preference for first-class footing. The crowd was the largest yet assembled to witness racing at the exposition, and the day's sport was well received by the spectators. The summary:

Tuesday, Nov. 2.—Occident Stake, three-year-old trotters, purse $2,885:

Allie Lou, br f by Kinney Lou 2:07¾—Lady Zombro 2:24½ by Zombro 2:11.....(C. L. DeRyder)	2	1	1
Byron, bl c by Tom Moko 2:13—Rita H. 2:12½ by McKinney 2:11¼ .....(W. G. Durfee)	1	2	2
Carl, bl g by Carlokin 2:07½—My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½.....(C. A. Durfee)	3	3	3
May Alto, b f by Alto Express 2:22¼—Maymonio by Demonio 2:11¼ .....(Ivey)	4	ds	

Time—:35 , 1:09¾, 1:44 , 2:15½
:33 , 1:05¼, 1:39 , 2:16½
:33 , 1:05¾, 1:39¾, 2:16

Distribution of purse—Allie Lou $1,442.50, Byron $1,154, Carl, $288.50.

2:10 trot, purse $20,000:

Peter Scott, br h by Peter the Great 2:07¼—Jenny Scott 2:14¼ by Bryson 2:16¾..(Murphy)	1	1	1
Miss Perfection, br m (4) by Gen. Watts (3) 2:06¾—Sue Fletcher by Tregantle 2:09¼.....(C. L. DeRyder)	2	2	2
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney 2:10½—Helen Simmons 2:11¼ by Simmons 2:28(Wm. DeRyder)	8	3	3
Baby Doll, b m by Tom Smith 2:13¼—Kate Lumrey 2:20½ by Shadeland Onward 2:18½ (Quinn)	3	6	6
Esperanza, b m (4) by Carlokin 2:07½—My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½ (W. G. Durfee)	4	4	4
Electric Patch, bl h (4) by Dan Patch 1:55¼—Zella Directum by Directum 2:05¼...(Macey)	7	5	5
San Felipe, b g by Zombro 2:11—Ella J. by Bob Mason 2:27¼.....(McMahon)	6	7	7
Axtien, ch h by Axworthy (3) 2:15½—Protein 2:11¾ by Glenwold .....(Harris)	5	ds	

Time—:32 , 1:05 , 1:36 , 2:07¼
:33¼, 1:05½, 1:38 , 2:09½
:32½, 1:04½, 1:37¼, 2:08½

Distribution of purse—Peter Scott $10,000, Miss Perfection $5,000, Spriggan $2,250, Esperanza $1,500, Baby Doll $1,250.

2:12 pace, purse $2,000:

Hal Boy, b g by Hal B. 2:04½—Altalena by Altamont 2:26¾.....(McMahon)	1	1	1
Pointer's Daughter, b m by Star Pointer 1:59¼—Banker's Daughter 2:13¾ by Arthur Wilkes 2:28¼.....(Finley)	3	2	3
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio 2:11¼—Potrero Girl by Prince Airlie.....(Daniels)	4	3	2
Red Rock, ch g by Louis Wilkes 2:15½—Red Bird by E. S. 2:11¼.....(McGuire)	2	5	4
Princess Patch, b m by Dan Patch 1:55¼—International Queen 2:13½ by Tom Exum 2:14½.....(Macey)	5	4	5

Time—:32 , 1:05 , 1:38¼, 2:08¼
:31¼, 1:02½, 1:35 , 2:06¾
:32 , 1:04 , 1:37 , 2:07¾

Distribution of purse—Hal Boy$1,000, Pointer's Daughter $400, Potrero Boy $325, Red Rock $225, Princess Patch $50.

Third Day, Wednesday, Nov. 3.

It is doubtful if there was ever staged on this coast a more really entertaining afternoon's card of harness races than the one put on at the exposition course today, as there was plenty of speed on tap and many of the finishes were contests in the fullest sense of the word, the leaders fighting it out in evenly matched brushes that in numerous instances left the spectators undecided as to the winner prior to the official announcement. The crowd was not large, but it was a highly appreciative one and voiced its approval of the brisk racing in no uncertain terms.

Peter Scott and Miss Perfection, the headliners of the San Francisco day program, were both billed for a re-appearance in the 2:30 trot, but after an inspection of the course about the middle of the morning the latter was drawn, Charley DeRyder not caring to ask her to race two days in succession on a track just the opposite to the kind that suits her best. The huskier Scott was present, however, and added some hundreds of dollars to his roll, his performance bringing his total up to the sum of $47,260. The advance dope had him down for a round thousand in today's race but the corrected figures were $875, the hundred and a quarter having been nipped from him in the crowd by a light fingered lassie whose name appeared on the docket as Virginia Barnette, residence Los Angeles, William Gee Durfee of the same city being booked as her accomplice. To be absolutely fair, it is not believed that the smooth couple from Angeltown had any preconceived notion of rolling our eastern visitor for any portion of the wealth which he has been flaunting so brazenly of late, but the opportunity presented itself unexpectedly, the flesh is weak—and there you are. Similar moments have caused digression from the "straight and narrow" since time immemorial, and the victim may thank his patron saint that the sum involved was no larger.

Virginia drew the pole and took 'em away the first time down, Peter dropping into Murphy's favorite place in the trail with Bonnie Ansel close up outside. Major's By Guy broke in the first eighth but settled and was pretty well up at the half, only to break again when the pace quickened on the turn. It was a handy win for Scott, with Virginia and Bonnie racing for place in a very close fit on opposite sides of the winner, Bonnie having a wee bit the best of it. In the second heat both Major and Virginia made early breaks and good catches, the big bay mare setting the pace to the quarter in :31½ for Scott. Spencer eased up down through Hungry Hollow and at the half and around the turn the three leaders were nicely bunched, coming down the stretch in pretty shape. Peter had command of the situation but Virginia's nose was at Murphy's shoulder and Bonnie Ansel was barely beaten for place.

Two races in two days over a bum track began telling on Peter, and he surprised the spectators by making a slight break warming up for the third heat. After the word he made another one before reaching the turn and at the quarter the pair of mares had him three lengths to the bad. He closed up down the stretch and was lapped on Bonnie and Virginia around the turn, coming into a slight lead when well up the stretch, with the girls hard after him. Here the unexpected happened, owing to a wave or the sting of the pavement they were racing over. Scott made an ascension, and while he was busily engaged trying to find his feet, Virginia searched him for the hundred and a quarter previously referred to. Bonnie Ansel is of a higher moral character and refused to go through Peter's other hip pocket, finishing third. Major's By Guy, while not a contender, went a much better race than on opening day.

The 2:15 pace was a warm baby for a November day, Prince Zolock and Strathtell racing each other to two of the closest finishes that have been seen here during the season, the judges having to use the microscope to separate 'em at the wire in both the first and second heat. Dicto threw a shoe in scoring for the first mile but the delay was short. Joe Carson's pony pacer, Strathtell, drew the pole but surrendered the lead in the first eighth to Prince Zolock, Hal S. in turn assuming it only a few seconds later. At the half it was Hal S., the Prince and the pony horse, the trio drawing away a bit from the balance of the field around the turn and coming into the stretch sizzling. Hal S., having pulled Tommy Murphy up to a point where his knuckles were barked against the terrets, evidently realized the impropriety of his pilot's position and began sitting in his lap until he had him pushed back in the sulky where he belonged, Strathtell and Zolock passing him like rockets and racing head and head to the wire, Heiman's pacer winning by a margin of inches only. The second heat was a repetition of the first in a large measure, Hal S. setting the pace only to fade in the stretch before the rush of the black and the little bay. Barney Barnes began his drive earlier and the "fit" at the wire was even closer than before, while the final quarter was half a second faster than formerly. A spill was narrowly averted in the early portion of this heat when the pantalooned Ben Corbett Jr. did a tango before leaving the stretch, but Finley managed to settle him before the promised accident materialized. In the final heat things were eased up a bit, the leaders racing much as before but Strathtell winning by three lengths. It was a great little horse race for November and only one entry failed to last through the event. A. B. C. was a handy fourth in each heat and went a real good mile the last time out, getting the word unexpectedly the first time down when at the tag end of the bunch.

Now the spectators thoroughly enjoyed the thirty trot and also cheered the fifteen pacers, but the amateur event for free-for-all sidewheelers was the one that caused the most enthusiasm. It witnessed the first appearance of June's stake winner, White Sox, and Leata J., both prime favorites with western crowds, the balance of the field being composed of the ever popular Teddy Bear, Dick W., W. J. K. and Little Bernice. Teddy was not at his best, and the race developed into a peach of a duel between the two fast mares, Bob Smith piloting Sox and Chester Jones teaming the pride of Stockton. Leata had the pole and raced out to the front, with Sox and Teddy second and third, the field spreading across the course on almost even terms at the quarter. Into the stretch the top mares had it their own way and went at each other doggedly and fast, Sox copping the kale in the last few feet amid generous applause. Little Bernice's sulky went down on one side past the quarter but Sexton "stayed with the kite" without injury and the mare was placed.

In the second, Jones pursued different tactics and took Leata into the trail behind Sox, who went to the three-quarters in 1:37½. In the stretch Jones pulled out and Leata buzzed past the leader with an awful rush and won rather handily, Sox apparently not going as smoothly as before through the final quarter. For the third the first quarter was slow, :33½, Leata taking back to get into the trail, but down through Poverty Flat the pace quickened, Sox going to the half in 1:05 and around the short turn in :31, with Leata a couple of lengths to the bad till near the three-quarters. From there home the clip was a dizzy one, Jones coming to even terms at the club house and winning by a long head while the crowd whooped its approval. The last half was in 1:01½ and Leata's separate time for the final quarter was :28¾, which is some gait for an amateur event.

Considering the circumstances, the afternoon was a most exceptional one from a performance standpoint. The track was as hard as a pavement for a good portion of the entire route owing to the damp weather and the packing it received during the preceding day's military operations at the conclusion of the racing program, and at this season of the year most horses are laid away for the winter. Every heat was raced below 2:10, the average for the afternoon being a trifle faster than 2:08¼. The details:

Wednesday, Nov. 3.—2:30 trot, purse $2,000:

Peter Scott, br h by Peter the Great 2:07¼—Jenny Scott 2:14¼ by Bryson 2:16¾ (Murphy)	1	1	2
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko-Zephyr 2:07¼ by Zombro 2:11.....(W. G. Durfee)	3	2	1
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby 2:20..(Spencer)	2	3	3
Major's By Guy, br h by Major Dillon 2:18½—By Guy by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼.....(Alvord)	4	4	4

Time—:32¼, 1:04¾, 1:37¾, 2:08¼
:31½, 1:05½, 1:38½, 2:09½
:32 , 1:05½, 1:38½, 2:09¾

Distribution of purse—Peter Scott $875, Virginia Barnette $575, Bonnie Ansel $350, Major's By Guy $200.

2:15 pace, purse $2,000:
Prince Zolock, bl h by Zolock 2:07¾—Princess Direct 2:05¼ by Teddy A.....(Helman) 1 1 2
Strathtell, b h by Motell—Ruth Strathberry by Strathberry 2:04¼.....(Barnes) 2 2 1
Hal S., ro g by Hal Chaffin 2:05¼—Bessie Hal 2:16½ by Red Hal 2:13¾.....(Murphy) 3 3 3
A. B. C., bl s by Young Monterey 2:24¼—Rosalie by Dudley 2:24.....(Chadbourne) 4 4 4
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy 2:17½.....(Wm. DeRyder) 6 6 5
Oro Mc, ch g by Demonio 2:11¼—Hanora by Oro Wilkes 2:21.....(Daniels) 7 5 6
Buzz Patch, bl m by Dan Patch 1:55¼—Heloise Grattan by Grattan 2:12.....(Macey) 8 7 7
Ben Corbett Jr., b g by Ben Corbett 2:21—Miss Thompson by Thompson .....(Finley) 5 ds

Time—:31¼, 1:04 , 1:36½, 2:07¼
:32 , 1:04½, 1:37½, 2:08¾
:32 , 1:05 , 1:37¾, 2:08¼

Distribution of purse—Prince Zolock $875, Strathtell $625, Hal S. $500, A. B. C. $200.

Free-for-all pace, amateur, purse $2,000:
Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney 2:29¾—Geraldine 2:16¾ by Mount Vernon 2:15¾.....(Chester C. Jones) 2 1 1
White Sox, b m by Del Coronado 2:09½—Subito by Steinway (3) 2:25¾.....(Bob Smith) 1 2 2
Teddy Bear, b h by Del Coronado 2:09½—Queen S. by Sable Wilkes 2:18.....(C. F. Silva) 3 3 3
Dick W., b g by Athadon (1) 2:27—untraced..
.....(A. Ottinger) 5 4 4
W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince—Psyche.....
.....(W. Smith) 4 5 5
Little Bernice, b m by Del Coronado 2:09½—Pearl Pointer by Sky Pointer.....(T. D. Sexton) 5 ds

Time—:32 , 1:04½, 1:38½, 2:06¾
:32 , 1:04 , 1:37½, 2:07¾
:33½, 1:05 , 1:36 , 2:06½

Distribution of purse—Leata J. $875, White Sox $625, Teddy Bear $300, Dick W. $150, W. J. K. $50.

Fourth Day, Thursday, Nov. 4.

Only one race developed out of the three called for today, but that one was a good one, a real one, the two-year-old pacing division of the Breeders' Futurity. Eight young things faced the starter and only one fell by the wayside during the two fast heats, while it was nip and tuck between the winners both trips. On breeding, individuality and general "class" the bunch was a hard one to beat.

Pattie C. drew the pole but was not in shape to take advantage of the position, having hurt a tendon in a recent workout and being started without much hope of her having a "look in" when the money was cut. Verna McKinney, with Lou Daniels driving, went to the front closely followed by Surety and Rico, the former making a break on the turn. Captain Mack, Oregon's sole representative, and a good one, moved into third place and was still there handily when the wire was reached. Verna and Rico drawing away from him in a warm little stretch drive in which both contenders raced like aged horses. Fresno Bond, with one ouchy leg, made an unhandy ascension on the last turn but managed to beat the flag all right, the unlucky Patti C. being the sole victim of Sandy's offensive operations. Verna opened up a little lead in the first quarter of the second, her closest companions being Rico, Fiesta Lou and Captain Mack, the quartet coming into the stretch in similar order, though Verna's lead had been cut down a trifle. Both Durfee and Daniels began their drive earlier and came down the stretch with a rush, both young 'uns game, both good headed, and both speedy. They drew away from the Captain and the balance of the bunch, and with both drivers going their limit on teaming, flashed under the wire so evenly matched that most of the spectators disagreed with the judges' decision, as is not unusual in close finishes.

The 2:17 trot was a joke. The Proof should have won in straight heats and when the judges assessed C. A. Spencer $100 for not driving to win the first heat the concensus of opinion was that he was a lucky man. Old Folks, who was a very sick horse for some time earlier in the season, is also handicapped by a pair of hot feet in front and was not in condition to put up much of a contest, while Matawan is notoriously fainthearted at the end of a mile in any kind of time. He did establish a new record for himself, however, by being on his good behavior and never spoiling a score or making a break.

Maymack was conceded the amateur trot and made good after losing one heat. Esperanza, with Owner C. J. Berry up, drew the pole and took 'em away the first score, Future Tramp making one of "them things" early in the mile. Ella M. R. went to the front but broke on the back stretch and again coming home, Tramp making up a good deal of his lost ground and finishing a fair third, though leaving his feet again at the club house. In the second, Esperanza stuck her head and neck past Maymack's down the back stretch and the pair went to the half in five, both leaving their feet shortly afterward almost simultaneously. Esperanza settled first and Tramp, coming on steadily, passed first Maymack and then Esperanza, trotting the last half separately timed in away very moderately in the final heat, Sexton showing no great inclination to race and dropping some lengths behind in the first quarter, Esperanza speeding up when once away. Sexton began moving up after going to the quarter and got up where he belonged before heading into the stretch. It looked like a horse race for a few seconds, but Esperanza and Tramp both broke coming home and Maymack and Bob Smith won in a jog. The summary:

Thursday, Nov. 4.—Breeders Futurity, two-year-old pacers, purse $1500 ($1000 to race and $100 to nominator of dam or whose original entry is named the winner of this division of the stake):
Verna McKinney, b f by Vernon McKinney 2:01½—Ramona by Demonio 2:11¼.....(Daniels) 1 1
Rico, ch c by Manrico (3) 2:07¾—Pavlowa B. by Petigru 2:10½.....(W. G. Durfee) 2 2
Captain Mack, br c by The Bondsman—Bessie L. by Montana Director .....(Woodcock) 3 3
Fiesta Lou, b f by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¾—Fiesta Queen 2:22½ by On Stanley 2:17½.....(Walker) 5 4
The Puzzler, b g by Cochato 2:11¾—Baroness Maid by Baron Wilkes 2:18.....(Chadbourne) 4 5
Surety, b c by The Bondsman—Eva H. by Washington McKinney 2:17½.....(McDonald) 6 6
Fresno Bond, b c by The Bondsman Fresno Girl 2:10¾ by Seymour Wilkes 2:08½ (C. L. DeRyder) 7 7
Patti C., b f by El Angelo—Mary W. 2:10¾ by Dictatus 2:17 .....(Allen) ds

Time—:33½, 1:07¾, 1:41½, 2:13¾
:32¾, 1:06 , 1:40¼, 2:13¼

Distribution of purse—Verna McKinney $500, Rico $250, Captain Mack $150, Fiesta Lou $50, The Puzzler $50, A. L. Scott, owner of original nomination, $100.

2:17 trot, purse $2,000:
The Proof, br h by The Exponent 2:11¾—Chord 2:27 by Wilkes Boy 2:24½.....(Spencer) 2 1 1
Matawan, br g by Athadon (1) 2:27—Cora Wicksham by Junio 2:22.....(Schwartz) 1 3 3
Old Folks, br g by Del Coronado 2:09½—Iran Belle by Iran Alto 2:12¼.....(W. G. Durfee) 2 2 3

Time—:35 , 1:10½, 1:46 , 2:20
:36½, 1:11¾, 1:46¾, 2:19½
:34 , 1:08½, 1:43¼, 2:17½

Distribution of purse—The Proof $575, Matawan $525, Old Folks $400, Association $200.

Free-for-all trot, amateur, purse $2,000:
Maymack, b m by Arthur Wilkes 2:28½—Lady Whips by Whips 2:27½.....(Bob Smith) 1 3 1
Future Tramp, b g by Tramfast (2) 2:12¼—Future Princess Ideal by Chimes..(Tim Sexton) 3 1 2
Esperanza, b m by Carlokin 2:07½—My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½...(Clarence Berry) 2 2 3
Ella M. R., br m by Lord Alvin—Excella by Monbells 2:28¾ .....(Fred Lauterwasser) ds

Time—:33½, 1:06½, 1:39 , 2:11¾
:33 , 1:05 , 1:38½, 2:09¼
:32¼, 1:06½, 1:38 , 2:11

Distribution of purse—Maymack $825, Future Tramp $575, Esperanza $400, Association $200.

"Along the Fence"

Lou Taylor of Hemet, who went into winter quarters with a campaigning average of one thousand per cent for the season, is among those present at the exposition who are racing 'em from the ground. Lou raced two horses for two weeks, without getting outside of walking distance from home and won eight races out of eight starts, not a bad sort of a performance at all. Both his trotter, Luana, and the pacer, Baxter Lou, seem to be the right kind for next season.

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Willis Parker, one of the original headliners of the movies, is taking in the meeting with a great deal of interest. For some years Mr. Parker was one of Palo Alto's trainers and took a prominent part in the experiments of the photographer Muybridge, the success of which formed the foundation for the subsequent development of motion picture photography as we know it today. In later years he developed and sold the great pacer and coming sire, Vernon McKinney 2:01½, and for some seasons has been taking things easy at his home in Stockton.

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Opening day brought two new additions to the 2:10 list, the trotter Bonnie Ansel 2:09¼ and the pacer John Malcolm 2:09½. They are genuine Californians, the mare being by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½ out of Woodland Bonnie Derby by Charles Derby 2:20, and the gelding being by Dan Logan 2:07¼ out of Susie Miller by Prince Ansel, Susie Miller being the first daughter of the premier of Woodland Stock Farm to become a producer of 2:10 speed.

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Portland is represented at the meeting by Messrs. Frank Anderson, B. F. Jagger, A. R. Shreve, Fred Woodcock and Gallup, Mr. Shreve also being accompanied by his wife. Frank, who had Imbro here in the spring in Marvin Child's stable, is "afoot," but Shreve and Jagger are pulling for Mack Fitzsimmons, and all gave Fred the glad mitt when his two-year-old pacer dropped into third money in the Breeders' futurity.

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Shortly before leaving Pleasanton Tommy Murphy was kicked in the side by a horse and an abscess has threatened as a result, causing the Poughkeepsie reinsman no end of discomfort and some apprehension. He drove Wednesday's races and then retired from the scene until Friday, keeping to his room under medical attention, but apparently is coming around all OK.

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M. E. Sturges, former owner of Dan Patch 1:55¼ and present owner of that other pacing marvel, Directum 1, 1:56½, arrived in the city some days ago and has joined his other eastern friends in "seeing America first" and taking in the exposition races, incidentally keeping an eye upon some green on that rather suit his fancy. He was accompanied the journey by Walter Heineman, another famili figure on the eastern tracks.

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M. W. Savage and family party are occupying t same box near the wire that was theirs at the spri meeting, Mr. Savage taking his share of the b breaks of racing luck like a sportsman should. Ever thing but good luck has come his way out here, b the stable has made lots of friends for the hon establishment and the season has been by no mea a wasted one. The especial favorite of the Minneso breeder just now is the bay gelding, Power Patc whose mile in 2:08½ at Los Angeles stamps him the fastest of his tribe. He has improved physical while making speed and looks like a real campaigne

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Carrietta 2:18 and her Peter the Great weanlin are occupying a box stall at the exposition an attracting many visitors. Only a few days ago Hu ter Moody drove Senator O'Brien to a record of 2:2 making Carrietta the only mare in the world to pr duce four yearlings to trot to standard records. O the same day Anselila lowered her yearling recor to 2:22½, so that the year has been a great one fo the Considine yearlings in Kentucky.

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The second new 2:10 trotter of the meeting showe up Thursday when Future Tramp won a heat in th amateur trot in 2:09¼. He is the fourth 2:10 pe former for his sire, Trampfast, and the second fo his dam, Future Princess Ideal by Chimes, and loom as a real handy horse to have about the barn nex season.

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Vernon McKinney 2:01½, Rodney MacKenzie's fas pacer, secured his first performer Thursday whe Verna McKinney (2) 2:13¼ won the junior pacin division of the Breeders' futurity. She was pilote by Loren Daniels but the credit of her making mus be given Sutherland & Chadbourne, who handled he exclusively until necessary to find a race driver fo her, Fred's services being required behind The Puz zler. Like many another good one, Verna has "good dam," being out of Ramona, the daughter o Demonio that produced the ten-thousand-dollar De Rey. Ramona is still at the Marshall ranch, and in cidentally you have doubtless noted, en passant (se Horse Review), that when it comes to bothering th treasurer of the Breeders Association and State Ag ricultural Society year after year, this man Jim Mar shall is so persistent as to be very nearly a "pest."

REVIEW OF THE GRAND CIRCUIT SEASON.

Last week's Review contained the report of the closing days of the Lexington meeting, which marked the conclusion of the Grand Circuit of 1915, and this week we may, therefore, with appropriateness, offer some statistics and facts derived therefrom which will interest all horsemen seriously devoted to the light-harness sport and industry.

The circuit opened at North Randall, O., July 19 and therefrom the line of march took the horses consecutively to Detroit, Kalamazoo and Grand Rapids, Mich.; then to Montreal, P. Q.; then to New York City, to Hartford, Conn., Syracuse, N. Y., Columbus, O., and Lexington. It included, therefore, ten separate and distinct meetings, of which, however, three—Montreal, Columbus and Lexington—each gave two-weeks' programs, making a total of thirteen weeks of racing. Contrasting this with last year's Circuit, we find that it then opened the same week, at North Randall, and again proceeded thereafter to Detroit, but then the itinerary took it to Grand Rapids before going to Kalamazoo, a reverse of this year's order. From Michigan the horses went to Pittsburgh, Pa., which this year dropped out, Montreal taking its place, as well as that of Fort Erie, Ont., which last year followed Pittsburgh; the meeting at Montreal, as aforesaid, filling two weeks. From Fort Erie the line in 1914 extended to Syracuse, then to Hartford, then switched back west to Detroit, again, after which came the usual final meetings at Columbus and Lexington. This year there was quite a radical departure from this schedule, as New York, a new member, folowed Montreal, and the next stop was Hartford, after which Syracuse took its place, just preceding Columbus and Lexington, Detroit dropping out of the fall alignment.

From a geographical—or, rather, topographical—point of view, the circuit was far from ideal in 1914 and the regrettable conflict between Detroit and Hartford was hurtful. This year it was better arranged, "hung together" more homogeneously, while the "team work" between the different members was also more harmonious.

Taking it "by and large," the weather, upon which the success of harness racing always very largely depends, was more favorable this year than last, despite the fact that 1915 has passed into meteoro-

logical records as marked by an almost unprecedented rainy summer. The chief sufferers from rain this year were Kalamazoo and Montreal. The former meeting carried through but eleven of its nineteen originally scheduled events. Montreal did not suffer so badly, but encountered a succession of bad days the second week that materially interfered with the disposing of the program, as well as militated against the financial success attained. The entire program at Columbus was also not raced off, rain there the second week making it impossible to start several of the closing events. Considering the average rainfall of the season, however, it must be said that the Circuit, as a whole, escaped very luckily; while the close at Lexington was favored with something almost phenomenal, as eleven days of racing were given consecutively (with an intermission for Sunday), during which not even a single heat had to be postponed on account of bad weather conditions.

Having offered these preliminary observations, we present herewith a brief statistical recapitulation of the results of the Circuit racing, as "boiled down" from our weekly series of elaborate statistical resumes of each meeting:

TABLE I—THE GRAND CIRCUIT OF 1915

Meeting	Races	Starters	Heats	Average Time	Money Awarded
North Randall	21	164	59	2:07.93	$31,720
Detroit	20	142	71	2:09.19	40,020
Kalamazoo	11	75	41	2:10.18	25,310
Grand Rapids	14	93	41	2:06.71	29.713
Montreal	17	91	61	2:09.31	31,375
New York	12	60	48	2:10.53	28,240
Hartford	14	91	44	2:07.87	26,600
Syracuse	19	116	59	2:08.24	40,360
Columbus	36	302	137	2:07.80	86,880
Lexington	42	304	136	2:07.97	87,300
10 meetings	206	1,438	697	2:08.57	$427,788

For comparative purposes, we append herewith the similar table of a year ago, as it appeared in the Review Racing Guide:

TABLE II—THE GRAND CIRCUIT OF 1914

Meeting	Races	Starters	Heats	Average Time	Money Awarded
No. Randall, O.	19	139	66	2:08.68	$31.670
Detroit, Mich.	20	137	77	2:08.77	37,390
Grand Rapids, Mich.	16	112	55	2:07.15	29,050
Kalamazoo, Mich.	17	104	62	2:08.19	43,209
Pittsburgh, Pa.	17	101	67	2:09.79	28,950
Fort Erie, Ont.	11	67	41	2:08.43	20,650
Syracuse, N. Y.	12	63	41	2:06.90	38,400
Hartford, Conn.	12	46	39	2:11.28	30,545
Detroit, Mich.	29	169	115	2:09.29	50,790
Columbus, O.	37	243	138	2:07.40	90,160
Lexington, Ky.	21	138	72	2:07.82	51,125
11 meetings	213	1.319	773	2:08.51	$451,330

The closeness of the totals in the two tables is, we think, quite remarkable, and where the most noticeable discrepancies occur there are explanatory circumstances. For instance, the table for 1914 includes one more meeting than that of 1915—11 as against 10—and the extra one is accounted for by the Detroit fall meeting. This was originally a Grand Circuit affair, but owing to the trouble that arose between it and the Hartford meeting, it eventually was given independently; but, as it was to all effects and purposes a Grand Circuit meeting, the horses racing there being chiefly those that had raced "all along the line," it was included in the Circuit, as its omission would have left an unfilled gap in the organization.

Studying the footings of the two tables, we discover that this year only 206 races were given, worth $427,788, as against 213 in 1914, that were worth $451,330. However, had it been possible to carry out the Kalamazoo program in full, as well as that at Columbus, the footings in both tables would have been almost equalized. It remains to be said, though, that in 1914 rain at Lexington caused a large portion of the program to be declared off, and, had this also been carried out, the footings for 1914 would still have shown in excess of those of 1915, both in respect to number of races given and amount of money awarded. In this latter regard we may point out that the falling off is largely due to the fact of the reduction in value of a number of the Circuit's leading events. For instance, North Randall, which gave a $5,000 event in 1914, had nothing larger than $3,000 in 1915; Grand Rapids had two $5,000 events last year and only one this; Fort Erie and Pittsburgh gave, between them, over $50,000 worth of races in 1914, while Montreal, which took their place this year, gave but $31,375 worth—this, however, being due to the fact that under Dominion laws the meeting had to be confined to but six days, though extending over two weeks; while Hartford this year cut the Charter Oak stake's value from $10,000 to $5,000. Thus it figures that the average value of the 213 races of 1914 was $2,118 each, while that of the 206 races of 1915 was but $2,076. This is a rather slight difference individually, but worked out to scale, the aggregate reaches a not inconsiderable sum.

As far as contests were concerned, the horses of 1914 appear to have raced harder than did those of 1915. In 1914 there were 773 heats raced in 213 races, an average of 3.62 heats per race, while in 1915 there were 697 heats raced in 206 races, an average of 3.38 heats per race. This result is also borne out by the figures on heat-winners, which we will quote, though they do not appear in the tables above. In 1914 there were 341 heat-winners in 213 races, while in 1915 there were but 314 heat winners in 206 races—showing that the heats were "split" oftener last year. On the other hand, the "man with the red flag" was kept busier this year than last, as but 168 horses were distanced then in 213 races, while in 1915 there were 177 distanced in but 206 races.

It is not, however, any increase in the "clip" that caused the proportionately greater number of horses to be distanced. The column of speed averages shows that 1915 was a trifle behind 1914 in this regard. The figures are astonishingly close considering the immense number of heats—1914 averaging 2:08.51 for 773 heats, while 1915 averaged 2:08.57 for 697 heats. Taking separate meetings, however, the honors go to 1915 by a distinct margin. The fastest average for 1914 was 2:06.90, at Syracuse, for 41 heats, while in 1915, at Grand Rapids, precisely the same number of heats averaged 2:06.71, which is a world's record of its kind. Coming to single heats, we find that on the trotting side this year shows a gain over 1914. The fastest heat raced on the Grand Circuit then was the 2:03¼ of Etawah, at Columbus, while this year Peter Volo raced two consecutive ones in 2:02½, 2:02¾, at Lexington. On the pacing side, however, 1914 has a lead that more than counterbalances this. No heat was paced in a race this year "along the line" faster than the one in 2:00¼, by Directum I., at Detroit, while in 1914 the same speed marvel paced two consecutive ones in 1:58, 2:00, at Columbus.—Horse Review.

MR. BILLINGS AND THE THOROUGHBRED.

There is no man better qualified to speak on the horse and anything pertaining to him than C. K. G. Billings, who owns more championship trotters and pacers than any other man and who has become interested in the racing of thoroughbreds recently, having purchased, in partnership with Frederick Johnson, a dozen head of English yearlings, which reached this country on Wednesday and are now quartered at Belmont Park.

Mr. Billings' early love was the harness horse, and he has a very remarkable breeding stud at Curles Neck Farm, 14 miles from Richmond, Va., where the champion trotting stallion of the world, The Harvester, with a record of 2:01, holds court over a priceless collection of trotting dams, many with records better than 2:10, and having as its bright particular star, Lou Dillon 1:58½, the fastest mare in the world. The produce of this stud is marketed in the fall; they are weaned in an absolutely untrained condition. It is Mr. Billings' plan to have the opportunity for obtaining a world beater open to everybody and when the youngsters go into the ring they are sold on their breeding and individuality, coupled with whatever quality of action they may possess naturally.

In discussing this plan recently the distinguished horseman said: "I started the farm chiefly as a diversion, and if I succeed in breeding good horses I shall be tremendously gratified. It has been my endeavor to start right. The Harvester has all that a sire should have—size, speed, conformation, disposition and breeding—and the mares that have been mated with him are my idea of what trotting dams should be. In having their produce pass to the people at large I aim to benefit the community. If anything sensational develops I can buy the same as anybody else after they are trained."

Mr. Billings takes much pleasure with the champion Uhlan 1:58, which he both rides and drives, and while he has so far used trotters exclusively under the saddle, he confesses to a growing fondness for horses of pure blood. This is most encouraging to his associates in the Jockey Club, who know that he will bring to their deliberations a wealth of knowledge in connection with the horse family at large.

Like many other Americans of great affairs, Mr. Billings is an ardent disciple of the gospel of preparedness and thinks that no matter engaging the attention of the people of the United States at the present time surpasses it in importance. No part of the policy, in his estimation, outweighs that which has to do with the horsing of cavalry and the equipping of the gun and transport service. Speaking in this connection a few days ago he said: "It is imperative that the work of breeding horses for the army should be in the most competent hands possible. The Government's own experiments, which have been limited because of insufficient appropriation, should be broadened—money should not be a consideration at this time—and the work should be carried on under the control and direction of the army which should be competent to pass on the needs of the service much better than a commission of outsiders oftentimes not in sympathy with the movement. Washington is ideally situated for the prosecution of the work as it is in a section abounding in land that would be suitable for the purpose. There are regions in Virginia, with its rich, rolling pastures and spring water that should produce as sound and well furnished horses as any district in the United States."

"How do you regard the thoroughbred as a sire in this connection?" Mr. Billings was asked.

"The thoroughbred sire of proper type is the horse par excellence for this work in the estimation of Continental authorities whose success has made their accomplishment a standard for other countries. Mated with the right kind of mares, and personally I prefer the trotter, they should give satisfaction in a majority of cases. Where the sire is of high strung, excitable type, discretion in the selection of mares should be used. I am of the opinion that many of our thoroughbreds are made nervous and excitable through faulty education. The policy pursued by many trainers is to my mind wrong. Some trainers keep horses hidden away. There must be no noise lest the animal become irritable. To my way of thinking the system prevailing in trotting horse stables is infinitely better. There each horse has his own groom or "swipe" and the animal's education is broader because of the close human companionship. I believe if the thoroughbred was handled from his birth in the same intimate fashion as the trotter, we would have better behaved horses in the paddock and at the barrier and our racing would be benefited tremendously. There would be fewer bad actors and kickers and the percentage of crippled horses would be reduced to a minimum.

"Russia does these things well," continued Mr. Billings. "In that country the favorite hitch is the troika—three horses abreast—usually two mares and a stallion, the entire horse in the middle of the team. There is no noise, no fuss either during the breeding season, or at other times. Stallions and mares are worked in the double teams everywhere. Geldings are few, and the knife is never used on a good horse. When we took Uhlan to Moscow and St. Petersburg, the authorities were amazed to find him a gelding, and one high dignitary asked in thunderous tones who was responsible for the unsexing of the king of trotters. The troika which they presented to me on that occasion consisted of a stallion and two mares, and they were representative of the country both as to disposition and gait."

"Do you think the people of the United States at large appreciate the importance of the horse and what he means to the community?" Mr. Billings was asked.

"I do not," was the response, after a moment's deliberation, "but I believe we are on the eve of a gradual awakening. The horse shows and amateur racing are giving a world of help. Thoroughbred and half-thoroughbred hunters and saddle horses are becoming more and more in demand in large centers of population where the leisure class must be catered to, thus furnishing a market for the products of horse breeding communities. The people at large are thus acquiring at closer range the benefits of racing as exemplified in the thoroughbred and his products. The amateur race meets, such as Piping Rock, are bringing into the sport men who would probably have been less keen under different circumstances."

In conclusion Mr. Billings, who returned from Lexington only a few days ago, was asked about the racing at that point. He pronounced it a great success, and had high praise for Etawah, Peter Volo, Peter Scott, Lee Axworthy and other stallions he saw there.

"They spoke of reducing the stallion record during the meeting, and Volo did trot in 2:02," he said, "but when a horse goes in 2:03 every fraction from there to two minutes is a mighty gap to close."—Rider and Driver.

NEW ZEALAND TROTTING NOTES.

Early Meetings Promising.

That the new season's campaign will soon be in full swing is clearly shown by the fixtures that are advertised to be held during the next four or five weeks. We have already referred to the Auckland Trotting Club's Spring Meeting, set down for October 20 and 23, which is the first trotting fixture of the present season in the North Island, though the Horowhenus Racing Club's Spring Meeting to be held on September 30, which has two trotting events on its Sept. 30 program, will provide owners in the southern portion of that island with an earlier opportunity to give their horses a race. In the South Island the Labor Day holiday is usually taken full advantage of by sportsmen, and on October 25 next, the Kaikoura Trotting Club will hold their annual meetings, while the Greymouth Trotting Club's spring meeting is set down for October 25 and 28. The Kaikoura Trotting Club's fixture will be looked forward to with considerable interest, as the club will, for the first time, be privileged to use the totalisator. The members of the club have displayed much enthusiasm in establishing it on its present foundation, and any success they may achieve next month will encourage them to launch out in the direction of offering stakes that will attract good fields. The Oamaru Trotting Club has made very rapid progress during the past few seasons, and it is fortunate in being so situated that it is able to command support from Canterbury as well as from Otago and Southland. At next month's meeting it is offering a total of 1000 sovs in stakes, and this will prove sufficient inducement to insure good fields and interesting racing. The Greymouth Trotting Club's spring meeting is the first of the season's fixtures on the West Coast of the South Island, and this progressive club may confidently look forward to an auspicious opening next month. A considerable amount of enterprise has been displayed by the executive in increasing the stakes under present conditions, and that enterprise will not go unrewarded. After the meetings we have referred to above have been disposed of, all attention will be centered on the New Zealand Metropolitan Trotting Club's spring meeting on November 9, 11 and 12, which is, of course, the most important gathering held during the season in the Dominion.

Sires of the Season — Croesus.

The success of the descendants of that remarkable sire Rothschild, both on the race track and at the stud, has been so firmly established as to have become one of the most striking features of the history of trotting in the Dominion. The sons of Rothschild have proved themselves not only endowed with speed and stamina in their contests on the track, but at the stud they have shown themselves able to transmit their inherited excellence to their progeny, and the family's record is one that is marked by its genuine merit. The subject of this notice, Mr. H. W. Kitchingham's stallion Croesus, by Rothschild—Palm Bell, possesses in a marked degree the sterling qualities of his family, and he promises to gain for it further distinction. He is a handsome, well-built chestnut, standing 15.3, with good bone and substance, and being now only ten years old, he should have many years of usefulness before him. Croesus was himself a good performer during his racing career, and his records of 2:19 and 4:46 show that he was possesed of pace, while his pedigree combines strains of rare excellence. The headlines of his pedigree read:—

Sire: Rothschild by Childe Harold—Bell Briggs. Childe Harold by Harold (son of Hambletonian and Enchantress) from Young Portia, by Mambrino Chief —Portia. Belle Briggs, by James Lick (son of Homer and Lena Lenape) from a mare by John Nelson.

Dam: Balm Bell by Brookholm—Puella. Brookholm, by Blackwood Abdallah (son of Homer and Blackwood mare) from Watlass, by Berlin—Messenger Maid. Puella, by Berlin (son of Woodford's Mambrino and Sue Dudley) from Woodburn Maid, by Stirling—Brown Bread.

Croesus has already demonstrated his ability to sire high-class stock, and I hear very good accounts of some of his progeny. One of his fillies gave promise of exceptional brilliance, for when only about sixteen months old she was stepping furlongs at a 2:16 gait, and if she fulfills her early promise she should turn out a great advertisement for her sire. Rothschild's fame as a sire of horses that not only have plenty of pace, but are endowed with great stamina, is well known to all who take the slightest interest in trotting. His list of winners is of truly formidable dimensions, and his stock have won over practically all distances. It would be impossible to give anything like a complete list of his winning representatives, but one or two of the most brilliant may be mentioned. They include such high-class performers as Emmeline (2:08 3-5 and 4:30), Dan Patch (2:09 3-5), Revenue (2:11 2-5), Almont (2:21¼, and holder of the world's record for three miles, 6.50), Belmont M. (2:13 2-5), Sal Tasker (2:16 and 2:20 as a two-year-old). Apart from his merit as a sire of winners, Rothschild has established a line that is breeding on with pronounced success, and his sons have shown themselves sires of marked individuality and potency. Bred on such lines as he is, Croesus may be depended upon to continue the family success. Palm Bell, the dam of Croesus, is a daughter of Puella, the dam of Almont and Belmont M., and Puella's full-sister Fraulein is known as an exceptional brood mare, having produced the famous Fritz and such other speedy horses as Franz, Frederick, and The Heir. Palm Bell's sire, Brookholm, is a full brother to Brooklyn, who was well known throughout the Dominion some years ago as the holder of the mile and a half and two mile records—New Zealand Referee.

CATTLE SHOW CHAMPIONS.

The cattle show at the P.-P. I. E. which came to a close last week was purely and simply a western affair and, unfortunately, not an absolutely "representative show" at that. Not that the quality was in any way lacking, as the various individuals were of excellent type in every way, but the event lacked the prestige that would have accrued to it had the names of many famous establishments, conspicuous by their absence, been included in the roster of exhibitors. Righ up to the last possible moment the promoters of the affair insisted that eastern conditions were sufficiently alleviated to permit of admission of animals from certain portions of the country upon inspection by the state veterinarian, and as not one vet in steen hundred is competent to pass upon hoof and mouth troubles, as we have had so amply proven at such a great expense, California breeders announced their intention of safeguarding their interests by staying at home. At the last moment the bars were put up, but too late for many of our leading establishments to make proper preparation for participating in the show. In some classes there were entries from the farms recognized as the coast's foremost plants of their kind, and the quality displayed throughout spoke eloquently of the high degree of excellence attained by coast breeders in general. The championship awards follow:

BEEF CATTLE.

SHORTHORNS.

Section 13—Shorthorn Senior Champion Bull: Scottish Baron, A. Chalmers, Forest Grove, Oregon.
Section 14—Shorthorn Reserve Senior Champion Bull: Snow King, Allen Cattle Co., Colorado Springs, Colo.
Section 15—Shorthorn Junior Champion Bull: Bobbie Burns, Hopland Stock Farm, Hopland, Cal.
Section 16—Shorthorn Reserve Junior Champion Bull: Pacheco Lad LXVII., Pacheco Cattle Co., Hollister, Cal.
Section 17—Shorthorn Senior Champion Cow or Heifer: Snow Girl's Queen, Hopland Stock Farm.
Section 18—Shorthorn Reserve Senior Champion Cow or Heiger: Fork Branch Mildred X., A. Chalmers.
Section 19—Shorthorn Junior Champion Heifer: Belle Cumberland, Allen Cattle Co.
Section 20—Shorthorn Reserve Junior Champion Heifer: Lavender Maid, Allen Cattle Co.
Section 21—Shorthorn Grand Champion Bull: Bobbie Burns, Hopland Stock Farm.
Section 22—Shorthorn Reserve Grand Champion Bull: Scottish Baron, A. Chalmers.
Section 23—Shorthorn Grand Champion Cow or Heifer: Belle Cumberland, Allen Cattle Co.
Section 24—Shorthorn Reserve Grand Champion Cow or Heifer: Snow Girl's Queen, Hopland Stock Farm.
Section 30—Premier Championship for Breeder: Awarded to Allen Cattle Co.
Section 31 — Premier Championship for Exhibitor: Awarded to Allen Cattle Co.

HEREFORD.

Section 13—Hereford Senior Champion Bull: Gay Lad VIII., Geo. Chandler, Baker, Oregon.
Section 14—Hereford Reserve Senior Champion Bull: New Era, Geo. Chandler.
Section 15—Hereford Junior Champion Bull: Debonair 42, Geo. Chandler.
Section 16—Hereford Reserve Junior Champion Bull: Hopeful Prince II., University California, Davis, Cal.
Section 17—Hereford Senior Champion Cow or Heifer: Omycam, Geo. Chandler.
Section 18—Hereford Reserve Senior Champion Cow or Heifer: Harris Princess CCIX., Geo. Chandler.
Section 19—Hereford Junior Champion Heifer: Standard's Lady, Geo. Chandler.
Section 20—Hereford Reserve Junior Champion Heifer: New Lass, Geo. Chandler.
Section 21—Hereford Grand Champion Bull: Debonair 42, Geo. Chandler.
Section 22—Hereford Reserve Grand Champion Bull: Hopeful Prince II., University of California.
Section 23—Hereford Grand Champion Cow or Heifer: Omycam, Geo. Chandler.
Section 24—Hereford Reserve Grand Champion Cow or Heifer: Standard's Lady, Geo. Chandler.
Section 30—Hereford Premier Championship for Breeder: Awarded to Geo. Chandler.
Section 31—Hereford Premier Championship for Exhibitor: Awarded to Geo. Chandler.
Section 42—Champion Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer: California Choice 2nd, University of California.
Section 43—Champion Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer: California King, University of California.

ABERDEEN ANGUS.

Section 43—Champion Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer: Sunset, Western Meat Co., San Francisco.
Section 6—Grand Champion, Steer or Heifer: U. C. Jock, University of California.
Section 7—Reserve Grand Champion Steer or Heifer: California, King, University of California.
Section 15—Junior Champion Bull: Blackcapon, University of California.
Section 21—Grand Champion Bull: Blackcapon, University of California.
Section 37—Champion Steer, Spayed or Martin Heifer, any age: U. C. Jock, University of California.

RED POLLED.

Section 13—Senior Champion Red Polled Bull: Lordly, F. H. Porter, Halsey, Oregon.
Section 14—Reserve Senior Champion Red Polled Bull: Crobat, R. R. Cartwright, Angels Camp, Cal.
Section 15—Junior Champion Red Polled Bull: Boblett, R. R. Cartwright.
Section 16—Reserve Junior Champion Red Polled Bull: Jester, F. H. Porter.
Section 17—Senior Champion Red Polled Cow or Heifer: Pansy, F. H. Porter.
Section 18—Reserve Senior Champion Red Polled Cow or Heifer: Laura Davyson, F. H. Porter.
Section 19—Junior Champion Red Polled Heifer: Mayette, F. H. Porter.
Section 20—Reserve Junior Champion Red Polled Heifer: Maple Leaf, F. H. Porter.
Section 21—Grand Champion Red Polled Bull: Lordly, F. H. Porter.
Section 22—Reserve Grand Champion Red Polled Bull: Boblett, R. R. Cartwright.
Section 23—Grand Champion Cow or Heifer: Pansy, F. H. Porter.
Section 24—Reserve Grand Champion Cow or Heifer: Mayette, F. H. Porter.
Section 31—Premier Championship for Breeder: Awarded to F. H. Porter.
Section 32 — Premier Championship for Exhibitor: Awarded to F. H. Porter.

DAIRY CATTLE.

JERSEY.

Section 23—Senior Champion Bull: Golden Fern's Noble Jr., G. G. Hewitt, Monmouth, Oregon.
Section 24—Reserve Senior Champion Bull: Altama Interest, Guy H. Miller, Modesto, Cal.
Section 25—Junior Champion Bull: Fancy's Raleigh, H. West, Scappoose, Oregon.
Section 26—Reserve Junior Champion Bull: Onoto's Prince of S. B., H. West.
Section 27—Senior Champion Cow: Nashville Susie, F. E. Lynn, Perrydale, Oregon.
Section 28—Reserve Senior Champion Cow: Imp. Great Pride, H. West.
Section 29—Junior Champion Cow: Cotillon's Sunny Maid, H. West.
Section 30—Reserve Junior Champion Cow: Cowslip's Financial Maid, Clifford F. Reid, Portland, Oregon.
Section 31—Grand Champion Bull: Fancy's Raleigh, H. West.
Section 32—Grand Champion Cow: Nashville Susie, F. E. Lynn.
Section 33—Premier Championship for Breeder: Awarded to H. West.
Section 34 — Premier Championship for Exhibitor: Awarded to H. West.

AYRSHIRE.

Section 23—Senior Champion Bull: My Beuchan Peter Pan, J. W. Clise, Redmond, Wash.
Section 24—Reserve Senior Champion Bull: Willowmoor Robin Hood 31st, P. W. Clise.
Section 25—Junior Champion Bull: Willowmoor Peter Pan 26th, J. W. Clise.
Section 26—Reserve Junior Champion Bull: Willowmoor Robin Hood 18th, J. W. Clise.
Section 27—Senior Champion Cow: Old Graitney Queen 4th, J. W. Clise.
Section 28—Reserve Senior Champion Cow: Lily of Willowmoor, J. W. Clise.
Section 29—Junior Champion Cow: Willowmoor Woodbine 2nd, J. W. Clise.
Section 30—Reserve Junior Champion Cow: Willowmoor Lucy, J. W. Clise.
Section 31—Grand Champion Bull: My Beuchan Peter Pan, J. W. Clise.
Section 32—Grand Champion Cow: Old Graitney Queen 4th, J. W. Clise.
Section 33—Premier Championship for Breeder: Awarded to J. W. Clise.
Section 34 — Premier Championship for Exhibitor: Awarded to J. W. Clise.

GUERNSEY.

Section 23—Senior Champion Bull: Imp. Itchen May King, W. H. Dupee, Santee, Cal.
Section 24—Reserve Senior Champion Bull: Yeoman's King, L. H. Albertson, Santa Clara, Cal.
Section 25—Junior Champion Bull: Imp. Ricardo of Edgemoor, W. H. Dupee.
Section 26—Reserve Junior Champion Bull: Fermain's Iowa Boy of the Oaks, D. H. Looney, Jefferson, Oregon.
Section 27—Senior Champion Cow: Imp. Itchen Wood Sorrel, W. H. Dupee.
Section 28—Reserve Senior Champion Cow: Marguerite of Pinehurst 2nd, W. H. Dupee.
Section 29—Junior Champion Cow: Veda of Chicona, A. L. Gile, Chinook, Wash.
Section 30—Reserve Junior Champion Cow: Polly of Chicona, A. L. Gile.
Section 31—Grand Champion Bull: Imp. Itchen May King, W. H. Dupee.
Section 32—Grand Champion Cow: Imp. Itchen Wood Sorrel, W. H. Dupee.
Section 33—Premier Championship for Breeder: Awarded to D. H. Looney.
Section 34 — Premier Championship for Exhibitor: Awarded to W. H. Dupee.

HOLSTEIN-FRIESIANS.

Section 23—Senior Champion Bull: Hazelwood Ormsby Posch, John L. Smith, Spokane, Wash.
Section 24—Reserve Senior Champion Bull: Hazelwood Sir Ormsby, John L. Smith.
Section 25—Junior Champion Bull: Sir Fayne Dot Cornucopia, Wm. Bishop, Chimacum, Wash.
Section 26—Reserve Junior Champion Bull: Sir Chimacum Wayne Pontiac, Wm. Bishop.
Section 27—Senior Champion Cow: Bonnie Ormsby Lass, Wm. Bishop.
Section 28—Reserve Senior Champion Cow: Aggie Nena Cornucopia, Wm. Bishop.
Section 29—Junior Champion Cow: Riverview Chloe Mechtilde, Wm. Bishop.
Section 30—Reserve Junior Champion Cow: Clothilde Homestead Ollie 2nd, Carnation Stock Farm, Seattle, Wash.
Section 31—Grand Champion Bull: Hazelwood Ormsby Posch, John L. Smith.
Section 32—Grand Champion Cow: Bonnie Ormsby Lass, Wm. Bishop.

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BEFORE THE MUIR TRAIL.

The "Muir Trail" is destined to become a scenic roadway through the California Alps that will have an international reputation in more ways than one. The following article by Chester H. Rowell was published in the Fresno Republican and vividly describes a region renowned for Sierra panoramic ensemble and a majestic mountain territory that will ere long have its wonders listed in the itinerary of thousands of lovers of nature and mountain grandeur. The story is of so much interest that we pass the good thing along:

The appropriation by the last legislature of $10,000, to open a high-mountain route from Yosemite to Kings River canyon, to be known as the "Muir trail," gives something more than a personal interest to a recent trip of a party of Fresnans over the proposed route of that trail.

Route of the Trail.—The trail project itself is the outcome of a long and interesting history of mountaineering effort. For many years, endeavors have been made to block out a practicable high route between California's two most famous mountain valleys. The intervening region had been explored piecemeal by John Muir, and by the pioneer sheep men, and the mountains had been crossed many times, by the available passes, from west to east, but the north and south route, down the crest, and therefore transverse to the principal valleys, was regarded as too rough for pack animals and too long for a knapsack party to carry its own provisions. Theodore Solomons made several efforts to traverse the route on foot, but was always compelled to desist for lack of provisions. However, he added much to the knowledge of the country. Finally, in 1898, Prof. J. N. Le Conte worked out a partly high-mountain route, which was the only one known for ten years, and is practically the only one ever used since. This route follows the high mountains from Yosemite as far as the Goddard country, and then turns westward and downward, into the middle-mountain altitudes, through Hell-for-sure and Toonemah passes and the Tehipite country, and then returns to the higher mountains and enters Kings River canyon, or even continues into the Kern river and Mt. Whitney region. Even this trip is rough enough, as may be judged by the names of the principal passes. "Hell-for-sure" needs no translation and "Toonemah" is said to be Chinese for an even stronger expression. But as compared to the real high-mountain route, over which the Muir trail is to run, these picturesquely named passes are boulevards.

Muir Pass.—The key to the difference between the high-mountain route and the more familiar middle-mountain one is the Goddard divide, now named the Muir pass, which is said to have been first crossed by Basque sheepherders in 1877, was crossed in 1907 early in the summer, in the snow, by the geological survey, by Le Conte, in 1908, by McGuire of Burr valley, in 1910, and by our party this summer. So far as we could learn, or find any traces of, these are the only times the pass has been crosser with animals, and our party was the first to cross it with any considerable train of animals. LeConte had three mules and McGuire two burros. We had six mules and two horses. LeConte estimated that Grouse valley, into which Muir pass leads, had been visited by about one party in three years, but nearly all of these were from the Mono side of the mountains. There is a trail over the Bishop pass into the valley from the east, but there is no trail nor established pass from either the north, south or west. Yet, within another year, this wonderful little-known valley, the key to the whole high-mountain route, will be made accessible to anyone who can ride a horse, sleep on the ground and eat camp fare. It is destined, no doubt, to become as famous, among high-mountain valleys, as Yosemite is among low-mountain valleys.

It was by this route, passing east instead of west of the Goddard range, that LeConte first pioneered the high-mountain route, in 1908. It is the way the Muir trail is to go; and the way our party undertook to go this summer, in advance of the trail.

The High Country.—A party composed of M. B. Harris, his son, Ronald Harris, Clayton Chandler and myself, with Fred Bonds and Steve Farley as packer and cook, left Yosemite August 1, and spent the month of August making the trip "before the Muir trail." We had six mules to carry the packs, and riding horses for the cook and packer. The rest of the party walked the entire distance. From Yosemite to Huntington Lodge, where we finally emerged, we walked a horizontal distance, by the map, of some 250 miles, and vertical distances totaling about 100,000 feet, or nearly twenty miles up and down. We did no peak climbing, since it was a touring rather than a climbing party, but going north and south, across the line of the canyons, there are so many high passes, almost equal to peaks, separating the various river-drainage basins, that the actual vertical distance covered was almost equal to a peak-climbing expedition.

We were in the high country all the time. After leaving Yosemite we came as low as 7000 feet only once, at Fish valley, which is 6,500 feet high. With this exception the average altitude of our night camps, which were usually in the bottom of a valley and at the lowest point of the day's trip, was over 9,000 feet, or higher than the top of Half Dome, at Yesemite. The average high point was 11,000 feet, so the general average elevation of the trip was fully 10,000 feet, or as high as the top of Cloud's Rest. The two highest camps were at Lake Wanda, getting into Grouse valley, and Bishop pass, getting out, both 11,500 feet. The highest pass was Glacier pass, over Parker mountain, 12,500 feet. Altogether we crossed twelve mountain passes, several of them from 11,000 to 12,000 feet, and we were all the time in the midst of great peaks, from 13,000 to over 14,000 feet high. Practically the entire route was above the forest belt of pines and firs, and the camps were usually near the upper edge of the tamarack belt. We were much of every day above the tree line, even of tamaracks, and twice we camped above it. There was frost on the ground and on our blankets every night, and we were often in the midst of snow. This in central California, in August! Needless to say, the scenery, at such altitudes in such a region, is of indescribable grandeur. In fact, when the route is opened to tourist travel, it will stand without a rival, as incomparably the most scenic mountain trip in America.

The route led from Yosemite by Tenaya Lake, Tuolumne Meadows and the Devil's Post Pile, Fish valley, Cascade Meadows, at the head of Fish creek, down the North fork of Mono creek to Vermillion valley, Upper Bear creek, Blaney's Meadows, Evolution creek and Muir pass, Grouse valley, Cataract creek and Observation pass. From here we should have gone by Carthage creek and Bubbs creek to Kings River canyon, but for reasons to be subsequently described were obliged to retrace our steps by Bishop pass to the Mono country, back over Piute pass to Blaney's Meadows again, and straight across the Sierras to Huntington Lodge. The passes crossed were Glacier, Gem, Agnews, Mammoth, Silver, Sheldon, Muir, Bishop, Piute and Hot Springs. We also climbed Observation pass ourselves but did not take our animals over it—whereby hangs the rest of the tale.

Other Trails.—I will not attempt a technical account of the route, as this article is intended for the general reader. But a few observations on one or two points may be permitted for the benefit of those familiar with the country. We took the more easterly route from Yosemite over Parker and Glacier passes, instead of the more westerly one over Donahoo pass, outlined by LeConte; and having all been over both passes, we were unanimous in preferring the eastern route. The Parker pass route is higher and offers a view down the great gorges into the Mono plain on the east side of the mountains. It does not go quite so close to Mt. Lyell, but the general view of the great range of Lyell and Ritter is quite as good. A very great practical advantage is that by the Parker pass route you do not get lost. It is easy to lose the way over Donahoo pass, and everybody who attempts to go over Donahoo pass by way of Thousand Island Lake to the Agnews trail gets lost. Over Glacier pass, on the other hand, the way is unmistakable.

Going from Vermillion valley to Blaney's Meadows, the usual route by way of Jackass Meadows goes into the lower country. The Upper Bear creek trail over Seldon pass, which we took, is far more picturesque, but it is easy to lose the trail at the point where the two divide, unless one watches very carefully for the signs which the forest service has placed on the trees. Except for these points, the northern part of the rout is probably already reasonably familiar to lovers of the mountains. Some of the trails are rough, but most of them are sufficiently well marked to leave little danger of getting badly lost. The scenery in this part of the route is wonderful, especially the near view of the great range of which Lyell, Ritter, Banner Peak, and the Minarets are dominant points. But even this more familiar scenry is itself far out-classed by the less known and rougher country farther south.

Sierra Club Girls.—At Tuolumne Meadows, the Sierra Club had established its permanent camp, and as long as we were within a few days' walking distance of this camp we were constantly meeting parties of Sierra Club walkers, mostly women, whose speed and exploits were so remarkable that the term "Sierra Club Girl" soon became synonymous to us with any feat of which we regarded ourselves incapable. A couple of weeks before we arrived, one of these Sierra Club girls, Miss Elizabeth Winter, had slid down several hundred feet of the granite face of Lambert Dome, to the great and extensive damage of her integument and subcutaneous tissue, but before we had been out two days we met the herone of this adventure tramping across the country on a seven days' walking trip, leading the entire party at a speed which none of us would have cared to emulate. Miss Winter may not know it, but after this exploit the packers working for the Sierra Club changed her name and she was subsequently known to them as "Lambert Lizzie." One night, sleeping on the ground by the Mono trail, I was awakened in what seemed the middle of the night by a shout, and looking up saw another Sierra Club girl standing on the trail. A second look revealed the fact that her husband was with her. They had come up that day from somewhere in the Mono country, had climbed Bloody canyon, one of the most difficult trails in the mountains, in the dark, and now thought themselves very near home, since they had only ten miles more of easy trail before reaching the home camp in Tuolumne Meadows. It was then 10 o'clock at night, and they hoped to reach camp by two o'clock in the morning. The next day they were going on 21 miles to Yosemite. They refused all help and their only motive in waking us up was fear that we might be belated members of their own party who might need assistance. When we made out with the field glasses the cairn of rocks on the summit of Mt. Ritter, we immediately attributed its construction to more Sierra Club girls, but as a matter of fact we understand it was built by John Muir. All of us had long been familiar with the fact that the modern woman is the intellectual, educational and moral superior of man, but here was a demonstration that she is rapidly becoming the physical superior also.

The Mountain Mule.—As I have already suggested, the key to the whole high-mountain route is the central portion of it east of Goddard, in which there are no trails and no recognized passes. And it may be added that the key to this, or any other mountain situation, is his majesty, the mountain mule. One may indeed make short trips in the Sierras on foot, carrying on his back an eiderdown sleeping bag and a few days' rations, but for long touring no man can carry his own bedding and food, and the tourist therefore becomes absolutely dependent on the pack mule or burro. It is curious how one comes to identify one's self with his own mules on such a trip. For instance, the council of war in which we decided that "we" could not get up Observation pass was held at the top of that pass, just after we had ourselves climbed it. What we meant by "we" was not the six able-bodied men of the party, but "Sugar Pine," our most picturesque but least capable mule, and "Old Blue," our bell horse. What "Old Blue" and "Sugar Pine" could not do was impossible for "us" even though at that moment in our personal capacities we had just accomplished it.

This dependence on the mule arouses an interest which leads also to much philosophical and psychological observation. It is, for instance, curious to watch the pathetic humility with which an intelligent mule will follow in the footsteps of a stupid horse. The fiction that the horse is an intelligent animal is the mere product of human egotism. We regard the horse as intelligent because he is stupid enough to let us do his thinking for him. The mule is in fact a far more intelligent beast, and he inherits his intelligence from his paternal ancestor, the jackass, whose name ought to be a synonym, not of stubborn stupidity, but of self-reliant resourcefulness and intelligence. If other animals than man are given to comparative speculations, doubtless they reach like conclusions. A horse will follow a man, and a mule will not. Therefore the man regards the horse as intelligent. The mule will follow a horse, while a dog will not. Therefore, if the horse were intelligent enough to notice such things, it would doubtless regard the mule as more intelligent than the dog. Sheep will follow a goat, but a burro will not. Therefore, the goat which, unlike the horse, does have a mind with which to reach his conclusions, doubtless concludes that the sheep are intelligent and that the burro is not. But all of these conclusions, including the human estimate of the horse, are fallacies based on the mere egotism of the observer.

The mule's deference to the horse is an even more pathetic fallacy, but is one from which human beings are likewise not exempt. Doubtless the real reason is that the mule never grows up, but remains all its life a colt, with the colt's instinct to follow. But it is also significant that the horse is well-born and high-stepping, therefore an aristocrat, while the mule is an incorrigible plebeian. You can not get a mule to strut or prance even on dress parade. So, just as the common people of Europe allow the aristocrats to lead them into ways which they would be far too intelligent to choose for themselves, so a mountain-wise mule will follow a stupid horse into a blunder which the mule would never make of its own initiative. And human beings, especially those who are plebeians themselves and therefore have an instinctive reverence for any sort of an aristocrat, uniformly speak of the horse in terms of affection and respect, while no mule is ever treated by anybody with anything but contempt and contumely. It is a social injustice which the plebeian, whether in the human, the equine or the asinine world, imposes on himself, and there is, therefore, apparently no remedy for it.

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Marked Salmon.—State Deputy Fish and Game Commissioner Ray Heacock caught a marked salmon at the mouth of the San Lorenzo last week. It was deformed, weight about 14 pounds, and was five years old. It was marked in the spring of 1911 at the spawning beds at Scotts creek.

AN ENGLISH FANCIER ON AMERICAN DOGS.

R. Ward Binks, the noted animal painter, who returned to England after an extended visit to this country, has written a letter to Dogs' Monthly, published in England, on his views of the dogs seen while in America.

"The shows of America," says Mr. Binks, "are in nearly all respects carried out in the same manner. You see the same old faces, hear the same old barks, the usual surprises coming from the judging ring, and the same determination to try again—a characteristic feature which our American cousins possess in no small degree. One must remember that prize money at the majority of shows is an absent quantity, and a piece of ribbon or a rosette is the only reward; red for first, blue for second, yellow third and white reserve. Thus many owners of well-known kennels could easily provide themselves with coats of many colors which would have made the patriarchs of old envious. In detailing my impressions of the dogs I met I saw many familiar faces which previously ruled the roost at our leading shows in England, and with few exceptions they usually carry away the coveted piece of merchandise—a tribute which we in England ought to be proud of.

"I was particularly impressed by the interest shown in all classes of terriers, which I think hold popular favor at the present time, with wire-haired fox terriers leading the way. The team of which George W. Quintard is the owner and is so ably managed by Charlie Button, is really great. With Wire Boy of Paignton, Champion Raby Dazzler, Champion Holmbury Reve and that great bitch Champion Matford Vic, it constitutes a team almost impossible to beat. Other prominent kennels are very strong in this fascinating breed. To mention only the Vickery champions, with Champion Vickery Greenbank Selection and Champion Gypsy Moth, and a team of dogs owned by Mrs. Roy Rainey of Huntington, is sure proof that the future of the wire is certain for some considerable time, and history will no doubt be made in the world of wires by the collection of dogs which our American cousins have got together.

"Airedales are also very much to the fore at the present time. Many specimens I recognized, among them Champion Ryburn Swell, looking fit as ever. Many other fine dogs grace the boards, some of whom one would like to take home. Sealyham terriers are rising in public favor, coming on by leaps and bounds, and a great future is in store for this game and extremely active little terrier. Champion Ivo Caradoc and Temperance, a recently imported dog of great merit, share the laurels, and competition is very keen when these two meet.

"West White Highlands hold the hearts of many sportsmen in America, and the reason for this is obvious. There are many excellent specimens among W. W. Highland only exceeded by the good looks and sportsmanship of the ladies who own them, and who figure so prominently in this breed.

"Irish terriers, along with bull and Manchester terriers, are not so popular at the present time; nevertheless, they hold a firm place in all the leading shows.

"Coming to the larger bredes, Great Danes, old English sheepdogs and German sheepdogs stand most favorably in the estimation of fanciers and lovers of the larger breeds, and clases are usually very large and interesting.

"It was my privilege to be shown the kennel of Tyler Morse, which contains a most wonderful collection of old English sheepdogs. A large and unique trophy room is of special interest to the visitor, as well as a reminder to the owner of the prowess of the inmates of this up-to-date and wonderful kennel.

"One noticeable feature, to my mind, was the small classes of collies, St. Bernards and mastiffs, and the gentlemen judges usually have an easy time in disposing of the awards in these classes. English and Irish setters, with a possible mention of Gordons, are exceedingly strong, and some of them have no doubt come from our leading kennels in these breeds.

"Coming to bulldogs, my impressions are not quite so happy. The great dogs which have left these shores from time to time have failed to produce as American breds the type which we all long for. The bulldog must have something else other than head properties, or the ideal will never be reached. I saw many good-headed dogs, also bitches, who failed in body outline and balance. Irrespective of ownership, and giving here an unbiased opinion of the dogs I saw, Ch. Strathtay Prince Albert is the best all-around dog I met, he coming nearer to the type which is admittedly the one we are seeking.

A little dog that impressed me very much was Roslea Saxtone (American bred), modeled very much on the same lines as Prince Albert and incidentally came near to beating the Chicago dog at the great Westminster show, and which but for an unfortunate circumstance would probably have made history in American-bred dogs. In bitches they are very strong, with Champion Crissie Denton, Champion Oak Nana and many others with the coveted 'champion' prefix. I consider the first named the greatest bitch I have ever seen, possessing the most wonderful head extant, and she with Nana, her kennel companion, usually clears the boards. Credit is due in this kennel for the fine condition of all the inmates to the untiring efforts of Edgar Frowde, a one-time successful fancier in the old country. One could enumerate many pleasing instances of the same devotion given to this noble and faithful breed. One must not omit the keenness that exists in the smaller and very fashionable French bulldogs, which breed without doubt is stronger here than anywhere, and the specimens which several kennels contain are unbeatable for type, quality and character. A very smart and popular dog in America is the Boston terrier, and but for existing conditions I would surely have brought one back with me. It was not my privilege to visit many kennels of toys, nevertheless the country contains many stars of the first magnitude, especially in Pekes and Poms, and the classes in these breeds are usually large, and competition is very keen among the lady competitors, who often, by the way, are very numerous and often show tiptop dogs.

"In conclusion, a grateful recognition on my part is due to the generosity and hospitality shown me everywhere while in America, and for the encouragement of breeders on this side I would say that keeping the type, the production of first-class stock and dead straight business methods will always find a ready sale in the greatest market in the world."

QUEENSBORO KENNEL CLUB SHOW.

Repeating his victory at the Westminster Kennel Club Show last February, George W. Quintard's champion wirehaired fox terrier Wireboy of Paignton captured the highest award at the first open show of the Queensboro Kennel Club, held Oct. 23 at Schuetzen Park, Astoria, L. I., which marked the close of the open-air exhibition for 1915. The winning dog was in splendid coat and was shown to advantage. The award for the best in the opposite sex went to William M. Jones' Airedale terrier Crewe So Preferred, which had previously captured the blue ribbon in the regular Airedale class.

Although the show was not sanctioned by the American Kennel Club, it was one of the most successful of the season's open-air exhibitions, and the support given to the efforts of the members of the Executive Committee was such as to warrant an application for membership in the American Kennel Club. Nearly 300 dogs were benched in 457 classes. No points were to be allowed winners, and ribbons were the sole awards in the regular classes, although the silver medals went to the "winners," and a number of trophies were presented for the special and classified divisions.

The judging began early in the morning and dusk settled over the exhibition grounds before the last of the unclassified specials had been passed upon. Many of the classes were well filled, although a number of the dogs received awards without competitions owing to the limited number of entries in certain breeds. The judging was impartial, and, on the whole, satisfactory. Here and there were found disgruntled exhibitors who failed to secure blue ribbons for their pets, but in this respect the show was no different from the usual bench displays.

Airedales were among the most popular breeds shown, and in this competition the winner in dogs was M. S. Baldwin's Leed's Performer, an importation which was shown for the first time, although it has been in this country for two years. Mr. Baldwin purchased Leed's Performer two weeks ago, which scored easily in dogs and eventually beat the winning bitch Crewe So Preferred, the best bitch in the show. Crewe So Preferred was beaten by a dog which was not in as good condition, but was better in head and front.

The bull terriers were mostly of the old fighting type, being too short and thick in head. The best, however, was Dr. L. A. Van Kleeck's Lone Cedar Bill, and Charles Funk's Nala. The former was longer in head and cleaner in shoulder and had little difficulty in scoring first. There was plenty of quality in the French bulldog display. F. Gordon's Monsieur D'Aubry and Miss Alberdina Vieweg's Ninnette being the best in their respective classes. Both, however, were beaten for the prize for the best in the breed, as the judge selected Miss Elsie McCormack's Sir Dandy Pratt, which was entered in the breeder's class and could not compete in the "winners" of the regular classes. Monsieur D'Aubry is a nice French bulldog, but lacks the pronounced type of Sir Dandy Pratt. Quite a few of the onlookers favored the winner of the bitches' class for the best of the breed.

In the foxterrier class Ridgewood Envoy, exhibited by Robert F. McGinness, is a useful sort of terrier, but a trifle too big, although quite smart. There was little question as to the best of the breed where Wireboy of Paignton opposed Ridgewood Envoy. Mr. Quintard's entry was in wonderful shape. There was an excellent showing of Sealyham terriers and the success of the American-bred Locust Lane Cricket, from the Locust Lane Kennels, over the imported Hadley Nut which was first in dogs. After the victory Locust Lane Cricket, which was successful at the Philadelphia and Newport shows, was sold for a big price. The winner is short and deep in body and displayed plenty of power.

Bulldogs led both in general interest and numbers, nearly fifty dogs of this breed being benched. The choice in dogs fell to Reuben Clark's little fawn, Dallas Magnet, with Mrs. C. N. Platt's Baron Teesdale in reserve. Howard R. Slaight's Marchioness Temple and Newstone Kennel's Lady Seaton were first and second respectively in the winner's class. Marchioness Temple was beaten in a previous class by Mrs. Darwin S. Hudson's Flagon.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

ROD AND GUN NOTES.

Northern ducks are beginning to arrive in th northern part of the State. Deputy Game Warde L. J. Warren of Taylorsville, in his report to the Fis and Game Commission states that all species ar coming in except the widgeon.

In the Sutter basin and in district 108 water fow are reported to be very scarce, according to Deput J. W. Williams.

Both quail and quail hunters are numerous in Yol county and back toward the hills, according to th advices forwarded to Sacramento by Deputy R. I Sinkey of Woodland. This officer reports one arres and fine of $50 imposed for killing a deer out o season.

W. J. Greene, deputy working out of Sacramento tells of numerous coveys of quail not far from town

T. W. Birmingham of Red Bluff also reports tha the little feathered dodgers are numerous, particu larly in the vicinity of Proberta. The deputy ha been devoting his time of late to watching for the illegal killing of deer, but so far has not had to make any arrests among the settlers, perhaps for the rea son that the animals are still high up in the hills out of reach of the hunters. Birmingham of late has had to make some arrests for illegal fishing. Othe deputies have been chasing fishermen who have been violating the law, particularly those catching salmon the season for which closed September 15. The ma jority of arrests reported, however, are for hunting without a license.

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Round about the bay counties duck hunting marshes, generally speaking, the average of sport has been good. The birds, however, are beginning to get a bit wary and keep pretty well up in the air. During the recent pleasant days the bay waters were the refuge of big rafts of ducks. A rain and spell of stormy weather will improve conditions now quite a bit.

The Suisun marsh gunners have had a splendid average of good duck shooting so far this season. W. W. Richards, Horace Orear, George W. Emmons and Ben Woolner of Oakland have enjoyed limit trips every time out on the big overflow pond at Green Lodge preserve.

Frank Maskey, Captain A. W. Du Bray, John Bourdette, Judge Ellis Johnson and other visitors to the Sunrise preserve have found ducks numerous every trip. At the Jacksnipe preserve, W. C. Murdoch, Bob Murdoch and R. H. Gatley have enjoyed limit shoots. Quite a few canvasback ducks have been shot on the Suisun marshes thus early this season.

Over on Hammond island, in the Grizzly slough district, Chiquita Gun Club members—A. G. Hebgen, F. F. Finch, Fred Kewell and O. B. Drusick—have been located in blinds where limits of fat teal, sprig and mallard were easy to get. Members of a nearby gun club also had a cut-in on good shooting. Geese are coming into that district daily in big flocks. The bane of that section is millions of mosquitoes. H. C. Peet and George Thomas found limit possibilities during a recent trip to duck ponds in the marsh above Vallejo.

Fair duck shooting has prevailed in Tomales bay, sprig being most in evidence, with a few mallard and teal on the side. Near Marshall's and Inverness a number of independent hunters have gathered fair bags the past fortnight.

A. B. Leslie reports that splendid duck shooting has been in vogue on the Big Meadows lake in the vicinity of Prattville. The birds were there in thousands and everybody out has been getting easy limits.

English snipe have been numerous in the Point Reyes pasture lands recently. Dr. Otto Westerfeld, James Black and others have had limit shoots recently.

Alameda marsh gunners who have shot from blinds located on fresh-water ponds have had a general run of good luck since the season opened. Ed Quayle, Charles Cutter, Ed Armond and Charles Breidenstein have gathered generous tolls of fat sprig from the Hesse pond near Alvarado. The big Smith "mud ranch" pond near by has produced numerous limits before 9 o'clock for a squad of gunners. Just what the value of good duck-shooting grounds is nowadays is well illustrated in the Alvarado district, where the owner of one large tract is reputed to draw down an annual rental of $7000 from different gun clubs who rent ponds from year to year—and rates went up a bit this season, too, and were willingly paid.

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The upland sportsman finds conditions in the quail-hunting grounds just a trifle too dry. In many of the quail districts the ground and cover are so dry that the dogs are baffled in scenting the birds. A rain will remedy matters, and then the sport will be improved materially.

Quail are reported to be very plentiful in many sections this season. In Butte, Yuba and Sutter counties, for instance, the birds are plentiful, but dry weather conditions have been a handicap. Near Shingle Springs, on the American river, Sacramento sportsmen have had fine shooting, the birds being exceedingly numerous.

Marin county quail hunters seem to fare rather well with the birds. Near Tocaloma, Harry Thomsen and R. Russell picked up a fair string of birds one trip, and afterward shot over the hills near Camp Taylor with satisfactory luck. Fred Butler has the entre to fine quail-hunting ground back of Marshalls, where limit strings are always on tap. Baldo Ivanco-

vich and Jake Abitz gathered full straps last Friday near Novato. Charles Pease put in two days in the Point Reyes territory last week, where both quail and English snipe were numerous enough for good sport. Fred Schmidt and friends found the quail coverts of the Point Reyes Sportsmen's Club well stocked a week ago. Al Hall knows good quail ground near Olema, where limit strings are possible.

For a far-away trip, Merry Springs, in Fresno county, is a district that is in good repute with quail hunters. W. B. Stadfeldt, Clarence A. Haight, Fred Willet, Swat Terrill and Roy Reed of this city, with George B. Smith of Los Banos and William Warswick of Fresno, spent several days in that section and returned with limit bags of quail.

Good quail-hunting ground was shot over down San Mateo coast way by William Little, at Waddell creek, and Dick Ring and friend at Tunitas.

Splendid quail shooting, since the season opened, has been the rule near Gilroy Hot Springs. Among the limit sportsmen in that section were W. H. Cameron, W. J. McDonald, Tony Serpa, Zach Shelton, and others.

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Trout angling in districts 2, 3 and 23 was closed Tuesday, November 1. Fish and game district No. 23 includes the waters of Lake Tahoe and the Truckee river and all streams flowing into said lake and river and all lands within the drainage basin of said lake and river within the State of California. Districts Nos. 1 and 4 will not close until Dec. 1.

In district No. 2, however, the Coast streams will be open again for steelhead fishing from December 15 until February 14, the limit being two fish per day taken with hook and line only.

Word comes from Alfred Grunwaldt that good fishing is to be enjoyed near Bryan's Rest, a point forty miles this side of Eureka on the new extension of the Northwestern Pacific Railway.

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Striped bass angling has had quite a pickup during the recent pleasant weather. Louis Gotthelf, Howard Vernon, Herman Cohn, Emil Accret and other local rodsters have made good catches recently of large sized striped bass at the Napa drawbridge. The Wingoite fishermen have also had fine fishing at Appleby bay and in Napa creek No. 2. Rodeo and South Vallejo have also yielded good returns.

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There is no closed season on salmon fishermen who use hook and line tackle only, three fish per day being the limit. Good salmon fishing was the luck recently of Sacramento river rod devotees. Walter E. Neville of Chico landed a 46½-pounder one day. Miss M. A. Eames' big fish scaled 46 pounds. William Clark landed a 40-pounder.

FLY CASTING CONTESTS.

San Francisco Fly Casting Club medal contestants cleaned the slate Sunday afternoon and Saturday afternoon last at Stow lake when back scores in several events were cast off. This leaves the club schedule complete for the 1915 season of ten contests, saving a cast-off of ties, if any, after which the winners for this year will be announced. Charles H. Kewell made the very high score of 99.36 per cent for both days in event No. 1, light tackle accuracy percentage. C. H. Gardner and E. A. Rogers tied with 99.2 per cent in event No. 2, dry fly accuracy.

Harry Thomsen was high rod in event No. 3, ¼-ounce lure casting, 99.7 per cent. Kewell made the best average, 132 feet, in event No. 4, ¼-ounce lure distance casting. He also led in event No. 5, light tackle distance fly, 100 feet. E. A. Rogers put out his line 134 feet in event No. 6, salmon tackle distance casting.

The "slam" cast scores were: Kewell, 150 feet; Forbes, 150 feet; Gardner, 100 feet; Burgin, 115 feet.

The "in and out" scores were: Kewell 3, 3; Forbes 3, Gardner 1, Rogers 1. The scores follow:

Saturday Make-Up Casting—Medal contest, Stow lake, October 30, 1915. Wind, southwest. Weather, fair.

Judges, Joe Springer, H. A. Thomsen Jr. Referee, C. H. Kewell. Clerk, Chas. E. Hills Jr.

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6
C. H. Kewell	99.36	98.14	97.4	132	95	105
C. H. Gardner	99.28	99.13	98.3	...	...	...
J. Springer	99.12	.....	.....	...	...	...
C. H. Gardner	99.12	98.11	99.5	...	...	...
C. H. Kewell	.....	98.13	98.4	122	100	...
H. A. Thomsen Jr.	.....	.....	95.7	...	95	...
H. A. Thomsen Jr.	.....	.....	88.3	...	...	...
C. H. Kewell	.....	.....	.....	140	95	...
S. Forbes	.....	.....	.....	...	...	110
C. H. Kewell	.....	.....	.....	...	95	...
F. A. Webster	.....	.....	.....	...	85	100
F. A. Webster	.....	.....	.....	...	85	110
S. Forbes	.....	.....	.....	...	...	105

Sunday Make-Up Casting—Medal contest, Stow lake, October 31, 1915. Wind, southwest. Weather, fair.

Judges, Stanley Forbes, E. A. Rogers. Referee, C. H. Kewell. Clerk, Chas. E. Hills Jr.

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6
C. H. Gardner	.....	99.2	.....	124	...	...
C. H. Gardner	.....	97.12	.....	...	...	...
E. A. Rogers	99.	99.2	.....	...	...	...
E. A. Rogers	98.44	.....	.....	...	...	...
J. F. Burgin	.....	.....	.....	...	88	...

WHEN THE TEAL COME IN.

[Concluded from last week.]

But there is still some good teal shooting to be had along the streams of the coast in midwinter, even though one does not have the entree to any of the organizations which control the blinds and ponds of the Coast. I have found several little wet-weather ponds along the San Gabriel which are the feeding grounds for teal—green-wings, of course—in the winter and on which the little sixteen has gotten in its good work several days during the season.

One morning I boarded a Santa Ana car in Los Angeles, rolled out through the level fields of the mesa which slopes away from Los Angeles to the sea and then, turning sharply from the straightaway which would have led to the Pacific, sped across here a little water-filled gully, there the end of a reed-bordered pond, scaring up bands of coots almost from every pond after we left the city limits.

As we flashed across what appeared to be an arm of a stream, but was in reality only a blind canyon let down into the mesa and filled with rain water from the hills farther back, I saw three or four birds away out which did not seem to be mudhens. At the next crossroad I dropped off the car, slipped the .22 Winchester from its case and started back, walking up the opposite side of the railroad grade from that on which the pond lay.

Moving along slowly, making as little noise as possible, I came to a clump of willows, a bit out from the line and through which I could see dimly the sheen of water. I went over behind the willows, regretfully shaking the coals from my morning pipe as I did so, and, parting the leaves of the willows, saw a small band of ducks clear at the other end of the pond, possibly sixty yards away. I could not make out their species, but I selected the biggest, pulled down on his thickest part and pressed the trigger.

The crack of the little gun was followed immediately by the solid thud of the bullet on wood and an instant later by the shout of a very angry man standing up in a blind just back of the bunch of decoys into which I had fired. And if the man was mad so was I. First of all I had been fooled by wooden "ducks"; then I had wasted a shot, the noise of which might frighten real ducks in some other pond, and I had unintentionally butted in on another man's hunting. Besides all these, the duck I had hoped for was not to be had.

I went around the willows, however, and we patched up a very fair sort of friendship, so much so that he offered to go back to his house and let me shoot his blind for the rest of the morning.

While we were talking he glanced around, dropped down into the blind, pulled me with him, and a few moments later a band of sprigs swept in on the long slant by which every hunter knows them and alighted in the water a bit out beyond the decoys. The .22 cracked, a bird turned over in the water; and, as the band got up, the twelve-bore in the hands of my new-found friend cracked once and again and a bird fell just in the edge of the willows, while another sailed over to drop on the farther side.

We walked out and he waded into the pond, which was nowhere more than a foot deep, and retrieved the two we had killed, while I went around the willows, found his bird, returned it to him, said "good-bye," and went my way. Up at the little pond where I had first seen the ducks, I picked up one from a hiding place behind some tules and then had a fierce time getting him in. He was a greenwing and I shot him through the head, which helped a little to make up for the decoy I shot in the other pond.

I knew the river could not be far away, so I walked down the track till I came to it—the wet-weather river which has been dignified with such a high-sounding name—and then struck down in toward the sea. Nothing appeared on the stream except a band of mallards to which I could not get within range and so I drifted on down to the mudflat where the river empties into the sea, and almost fell over a band of fifteen or twenty curlews.

These curve-billed snipe are always tame in winter, but I never saw any quite so willing to be shot as these. I picked one at the first fire of the little gun, and, not being quite dead, the bird squawked some, luring the greater part of the band back. Three of them made the mistake of alighting near him and by the time they got ready to get up I had one of them also to add to my bag. This was before the new federal regulations were enacted, and statute, so far as curlew on the Coast are concerned, that was entirely unnecessary.

This gave me two ducks and two curlew, more birds than I really needed, and I passed up a bunch of yellow-legs from which I could easily have picked another. Enough has always been a great plenty with me in my hunting, and enough means just what the folks at home can eat with my help. If every hunter would adhere to this rule, year in and year out, there would be very little need for game laws, other than to protect species which from some inadaptability of their own are on the verge of extinction, and then the law would need to be enforced only during the breeding season.

After this I sat down on the beach, having walked some little distance and being tired. Nothing came along except a band of gulls and two or three scoters riding on the surf. Wanting one of the scoters for its skin, I shot it as it rode the first breaker, but instead of hitting the bird in the body as I had intended, the dip of the wave threw the scoter's head directly in line with the bullet, and the skin was ruined. This taught me a lesson and the next one of the birds I shot was well up on the sand. I shot him clean through the body at something like seventy feet, and running forward to pick him up, found a ruddy duck instead of a scoter I had thought I was shooting at. These ruddies are rather rare on the Coast and I was more pleased with this kill than any of those hitherto made.

From here I cut through a pasture which runs down almost to the sea, crossed a couple of wire fences, and, after a good long tramp, struck the car line again on the crossing of a county road. Inside of an hour I was again within the limits of the city, and very shortly thereafter was in my home. And dinner, a trifle after noon, meant ducks—well killed and with quite as much sport as though I had had a dog to help; with much more pleasure and an infinitely greater sense of conquest of the wily wild things than if I had lain in a blind all the forenoon, seeking with might and main to be "high gun" on some club grounds.

Shooting ducks in this manner, however, is usually harder than was this particular trip. I have tramped through the marshes and river bottoms of Southern California for many a wet morning and come home with nothing but a ravenous appetite to show for it. Still, I am as ardent an advocate of this kind of hunting as when I first took it up, and, when I get the price, I shall, I think, instead buying a share in a gun club, take a trip down the Rio Colorado; for that is the land of whose web-footed hordes that old-time California hunter, T. S. Van Dyke, has written so entertainingly and so often.

At the Traps

The Intercollegiate Shoot.—The first championship shoot to be held under the auspices of the recently organized Intercollegiate Trapshooting Association took place Saturday, October 23, over the traps of the Princeton Gun Club. Five-men teams from Cornell, Yale, Princeton and Dartmouth shot a 100-bird program. The match was closely contested, Cornell leading until the last event when Taylor of Yale, missing but one target of his 25, gave the Eli's the victory by a margin of 5 points. The final scores were, Yale 366, Cornell 361, Princeton 333, Dartmouth 284. Lewis and Chisholm of Yale were high men, each breaking 83 out of a possible 100. Caesar with a score of 78 was high man for the Tigers, while Ryan, with a total of 79, was high man for Cornell. The championship trophies awarded the members of the Yale team were solid gold watch fobs, the pendants of which were replicas of clay targets.

Interest in the shoot was unusually keen, it being the first meet in which Cornell has been represented. Though shooting conditions were ideal, a high gale, which tossed the targets about like feathers, prevented high scores. The summary:

Yale—Lynam 75, Lewis 83, Chisholm 83, Casselberry 53, Taylor 73. Total, 366.

Cornell—Von Lengerke 78, Ryan 79, Coleman 69, DeWitt 70, Walden 65. Total, 361.

Princeton—Reed 72, Turner 67, Shea 63, Hewett 53, Caesar 78. Total, 333.

Dartmouth—Melvin 60, Huntress 47, Campion 55, Hoard 77, Prendergast 45. Total 284.

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Chinese Squad at Traps.—International warfare broke forth in Toledo the other day. Fifteen nationalities competed in the scrimmage, and although the result has not yet reached this paper, it is certain that there was a spirited contest. It all happened at the Edgewater Gun Club, where squads of five men each, representing fifteen over-seas countries, met at the traps for a trapshooting tourney. Among those present and shooting for their respective home lands were Germans, Irish, French, Hebrews, English, Hungarians, Italians, High Germans, Scotch, Chinese, Russians and Greeks. So far as could be learned up to the hour of going to press, the shooting was all confined to the regulation attacks upon clay targets, but the spectators, if not the contestants, must now and then have had in mind the possibility of an interchange of hostilities in imitation of the great all-comers' struggle abroad—but the influence of trapshooting is always toward peace and good fellowship.

The meet was unique in many respects. Perhaps the most noticeable feature was the presence of the first Chinese squad to shoot at the traps in this country, so far as known. The celestials, all young men, were quick to acquire the ways of the American sport. Three of the squad shot Remington guns, all used Nitro Club shells, and all were able to make initial scores varying from 8 to 16 out of a possible 25. The names of the men comprising the Chinese team are strange to the American eye—Henry Yee, Louie Quog, Henry Get, Ed Keota, John Sew.

The promoters of this many-nationalities shoot provided a novel attraction and undoubtedly drew the crowd, but the greatest thing they did was again to demonstrate the fundamental democracy of our republic and it may be that trapshooting will act always as a rallying point around which this democracy may continually be exemplified.

CATTLE SHOW CHAMPIONS.

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Section 33—Premier Championship for Breeder: Awarded to John L. Smith.
Section 34—Premier Championship for Exhibitor: Awarded to Wm. Bishop.

DUTCH BELTED.

Section 21—Senior Champion Bull: Imperator, Ulysses G. Strader, Ceres, Cal.
Section 22—Reserve Senior Champion Bull: Hepsey's Hummer, Mrs. Jennie Strader, Ceres, Cal.
Section 23—Junior Champion Bull: Billy Sunday, Mrs. Jennie Strader.
Section 24—Reserve Junior Champion Bull: Wild Bob, Ulysses G. Strader.
Section 25—Senior Champion Cow: Lady Fresno, Ulysses G. Strader.
Section 26—Reserve Senior Champion Cow: Kathryn, Mrs. Jennie Strader.
Section 27—Junior Champion Cow: Wild Flower, Mrs. Jennie Strader.
Section 28—Reserve Junior Champion Cow: Pride of the Pacific, Mrs. Jennie Strader.
Section 29—Grand Champion Bull: Imperator, Ulysses G. Strader.
Section 30—Grand Champion Cow: Wild Flower, Mrs. Jennie Strader.
Section 31—Premier Championship for Breeder: Awarded to Ulysses G. Strader.
Section 32—Premier Championship for Exhibitor: Awarded to Mrs. Jennie Strader.

DAIRY SHORTHORNS.

Section 15—Senior Champion Bull: Glenside Royal, Alexander & Kellog, Suisun, Cal.
Section 16—Junior Champion Bull: Shasta, Alexander & Kellog.
Section 17—Senior Champion Cow: Valley Belle 4th, Alexander & Kellog.
Section 18—Junior Champion Cow: Helen McCullough 4th, Alexander & Kellog.
Section 19—Grand Champion Bull: Glenside Royal, Alexander & Kellog.
Section 20—Grand Champion Cow: Valley Belle 4th, Alexander & Kellog.

BROWN SWISS.

Section 21—Brown Swiss Senior Champion Bull: Acorn, B. P. Inman, Junction City, Oregon.
Section 22—Brown Swiss Reserve Senior Champion Bull: Benton, B. P. Inman.
Section 23—Brown Swiss Junior Champion Bull: Petter, B. P. Inman.
Section 24—Brown Swiss Reserve Champion Bull: Buster, B. P. Inman.
Section 25—Brown Swiss Senior Champion Cow: Cora Lillian, B. P. Inman.
Section 26—Brown Swiss Reserve Senior Champion Cow: Helma, B. P. Inman.
Section 27—Brown Swiss Junior Champion Cow: Leona, B. P. Inman.
Section 28—Brown Swiss Junior Champion Cow: Blanche, B. P. Inman.
Section 29—Brown Swiss Grand Champion Bull: Acorn, B. P. Inman.
Section 30—Brown Swiss Grand Champion Cow, Leone, B. P Inman.
Section 31—Premier Championship for Breeder: Awarded to B. P. Inman.
Section 32—Premier Championship for Exhibitor: Awarded to B. P. Inman.

FROM A HORSEMAN AT THE DARDANELLES.

The following is taken from a letter received by Mr. George Wallace, of St. Kilda, Dunedin, and written by Angie Don, who left New Zealand with the main expeditionary force and who is at present fighting for our country's cause with our boys in Turkey.

"Sincere congratulations on landing a first at Forbury. What a pity the weather was so wretched. You should have some of our sunshine, for there is far too much of it here to be pleasant; in fact it is very trying, especially to those who cannot stand the extreme heat, and I am one of them. 'Manny' did not wo so well as I expected. Perhaps the heavy going was in no small measure responsible for his non-success in the big races. Say, George, what sort of a gee-gee is Silver Patch? I see by the papers that A.D.H. drove it in the first amateur. Clarkie has taken its mother, my mare, with him to Christchurch to be stinted to Denver. Ask A.D.H. what he thinks of it. You can also tell him that his brother-in-law, A. Gregory, is fit and well, and a real good man for this game. I read an article in an Australian paper written by a Vet. who had been buying horses for the war office. He deplored the fact that so many of the hacks available had a more or less trotting strain, saying that such horses were more than useless for military purposes. With this statement I cannot agree, for during the time we were training in Egypt I rode a mare by Geo. M. Patchen, bred on the Taieri, and I never wished to ride a better troop horse, and this horse with trotting blood in it was far from being the exception, for one of my principal jobs as Squadron Sergt.Major was to get the greatest number of fit men and fit horses on the morning's parade, so I had the best of opportunities of knowing what horses could not stand up to the work required of them. Now a little about the Joke? In the first place we are here and our horses are not. When we will see them again, goodness only knows. Of all the spots on the map, this is easily the best place to be out of, even supposing we were on a huge Sunday School picnic, which we are not. All the creepy, crawly things on God's earth have mobilized here, and our sleeping quarters being dug-outs, one never needs to complain of being short of company. We sleep with our clothes on, that is when we get the chance, and there is many an hour owing to us now. Fresh water is about as plentiful as free passes issued by the Forbury Park Trotting Club, and that's saying some. We get half a gallon a day per man, and with such a thirst as ours it vanishes in one act, then it's the long, long sigh for Thompson's soda water, or something equally strong. A wash in fresh water is only to be thought of when one is asleep, but we do manage to have a dip in the briny, only the blighters on the hills at the back have the range to a whisker, and every day one or more of our fellows gets punctured by the snipers. Now and again the enemy's shells burst above, or in amongst a group of 'sodgers,' then it's a sure change for some of them, but it is real wonderful to see the sang-froid of our A. and N. Z. troops. They go about their business heads up, and the white feather conspicuous by its absence. I can put up with rifle bullets, although I don't like them, but shrapnel and I will never be able to agree, unless it is fired from our side. I was walking up a gulley the other day when a shell burst away up near the top of the ridge. My mate, who was close alongside of me, drew a blank, but I stopped two, one on the arm, and one on the chest. Neither of them were serious, the bullets being what we call spent, but my arm was sore for a couple of days. The crack on the chest did not draw blood, it hit my haversack strap and glanced off. When the next shell burst, well, all the Billy Dunns this side of White Island could not have made me wait for my bell. My name was Dillon Bell or something faster than Octave. The flies here are the limit. Sleep during the day is out of the question. From our camp we can count about 60 dead Turks in the space of about half an acre, the nearest body about five yards away from our trench. These bodies have lain there for over a week, so you can imagine the awful stench, and the wounds inflicted by our people are indescribable, but still this is war, a fight to a finish. The smallest scratch festers, then the flies literally stand on one another's backs to have a dip in. Bandages are of little use, they only bring on profuse perspiration, and this of course keeps the sore from healing. The food we get is plain but good, and we are not by any means short on rations. Paper and envelopes, in fact all writing material, is 'hoff,' many of the troops are turning their envelopes inside out. I see by the papers that chaff is £3 10s a ton. No joke now to keep a horse for pleasure. Remember me to all the sports and inquiring friends. —New Zealand Trotting Journal.

TWENTY LEADING SIRES IN AMERICA IN 1915.

The racing of the month of September had the result of advancing Broomstick to first place in the sire list of 1915 and at the end of the month he was nearly $10,000 in front of Star Shoot. It thus appears that the fine son of Ben Brush and Elf is destined to figure as the premier sire of North America for the third year in succession, a distinction achieved by no stallion since Hanover led for four years, beginning with 1895. His trio of best winners, Thunderer, Regret and Bromo, have closed their accounts for this year, but Broomstick has other winning sons and daughters in active racing probably capable of maintaining his supremacy to the end of the year, says Daily Racing Form.

Star Shoot has much the greatest family running for him, seventy-one of his progeny having won more or less for him in this year's racing. It is well that it is so and it is probable that his many daughters will play a big part as brood mares of the future. His best winner this year is the two-year-old Ting-a-Ling, for which no great things can be claimed. If something like Star Charter, for instance, should crop up in next year's racing, Star Shoot might again go to the head of affairs. At any rate he has already played a big part in our breeding and racing and through him the blood of Isinglass is well diffused in this country. In money won he is practically as far in front of Ogden as Broomstick is in front of him. Quite probably the three leaders of the present will not be disturbed in the placings.

In The Finn, Star Jasmine and Tartar, Ogden has three excellent representatives, The Finn being clearly one of the front rank three-year-olds of the year. Gillies and Sir Vivian are also probably something more than useful two-year-olds, although we will have to look to England next year for confirmation of this, so far as Sir Vivian is concerned. Peep O' Day is next to Star Shoot in the number of his progeny in racing, having sixty winners in action this year. Of these Phosphor was undoubtedly one of the fleetest sprinters of the year, but was hurt and had to be retired. One of the pleasant features of the year was the return of his distinguished son, Cock o' the Walk, still able to run well and win in good company. McGee did well this year and Hastings assured his continuance in racing statistics for some time by sending a big band of winning two-year-olds out to represent him. One of these, Achievement, may do better things next year. It was due to the brothers, Borrow and Slumber II., that the now dead celebrity, Hamburg, was returned to the list of twenty leading sires of the year and right nobly they raced for his fame. The twenty leaders and the earnings of their progeny, up to and including September 30, are:

Sire	Performers.	Sts.	Races Won.	Am't.
Broomstick	41	466	92	$84,773
Star Shoot	71	947	131	75,321
Ogden	44	542	77	65,814
Peep O' Day	60	777	127	61,129
McGee	47	640	87	55,575
Hastings	34	534	78	48,419
Dick Welles	43	528	95	45,175
Marta Santa	46	708	118	44,064
Yankee	33	515	87	40,042
Cunard	34	441	65	36,610
Plaudit	27	384	52	35,391
Fair Play	15	170	37	35,389
Disguise	20	205	44	34,359
Hamburg	13	88	19	34,222
Rock Sand	24	214	50	34,072
Waterboy	14	167	39	32,693
Stalwart	39	472	61	32,360
Transvaal	25	360	43	27,228
Celt	14	197	34	25,130
Stanhope II.	11	126	21	24,550
Totals (20)	655	8,481	1,357	$872,216

Broomstick, b h 1901, is by Ben Thrush—Elf, and his five largest winners are Thunderer, $17,385; Regret, $12,500; Bromo, $7,336; Pesky, $5,315 and Barnegat, $3,550.

Star Shoot, ch h, 1898, by Isinglass, dam Astrology: Ting-a-Ling, $4,760; Addie M., $4,055; Supreme, $4,035; Leo Skonly, $3,023, and Star Gift, $3,010.

Ogden, br h, 1894, by Kilwarlin, dam Oriole: The Finn, $12,550; Star Jasmine, $7,115; Tartar, $6,225; Gillies, $5,975, and Saratoga, $4,320.

Peep O' Day, b h, 1893, by Ayrshire, dam Sundown: Phosphor, $6,050; Wander, $3,315; Top o' th' Morning, $2,475; Wanda Pitzer, $2,445, and Helen Barbee, $2,419.

McGee, b h, 1900, by White Knight, dam Remorse: Swish, $6,365; Fountain Fay, $5,020; Kewessa, $4,515; Indolence, $4,294, and Sharpshooter, $3,950.

Hastings, br h, 1893, by Spendthrift, dam Cinderella: Tactics, $7,880; Achievement, $5,968; Thornhill, $3,150; Rash, $2,470; and Lochiel, $2,645.

Dick Welles, b h, 1900, by King Eric, dam Tea's Over: Kinney, $4,747; Gipsey George, $2,840; Roscoe Goose, $2,693; Scarlet Oaks, $2,525, and Droll, $2,455.

Marta Santa, b h., 1896, by Martley, dam Luxette: Doctor Larrick, $4,746; Viley, $3,635; Jessie Louise, $3,560; Rosemary, $2,575, and Briar Path, $1,655.

Yankee, b h, 1899, by Hanover, dam Correction: Conning Tower, $4,265; Yankee Notions, $3,720; Amazon, $3,568; Distant Shore, $2,405, and Tory Maid, $2,390.

Cunard, ch h, 1899, by Goldfinch, dam Lucania: Bayberry Candle, $6,986; Bradley's Choice, $4,265; Buzz Around, $3,605; Bac, $3,235, and Bushy Head, $2,890.

Plaudit, br h, 1895, by Himyar, dam Cinderella: Lady Curzon, $4,335; Goldcrest Boy, $4,049; Redland, $3,825; Little Sister, $3,245, and Mockery, $2,057.

Fair Play, ch h, 1905, by Hastings, dam Fairy Gold: Stromboli, $12,945; Norse King, $6,030; Trial by Jury, $4,280; Hanovia, $1,950, and For Fair, $1,665.

Disguise, b h, 1897, by Domino, dam Bonnie Gal: Bulse, $9,665; Prince of Como, $3,310; Seneca, $3,215; Lorac, $2,280, and Andrew, $2,160.

Hamburg, b h, 1895, by Hanover, dam Lady Reel: Borrow, $20,195; Slumber II., $9,200; Port Light, $1,195; Prince Eugene, $1,067, and Moisant, $785.

Rock Sand, br h, 1900, by Sainfoin, dam Roquebrune: Friar Rock, $5,090; Fernrock, $4,340; Fenmouse, $3,750; Mission, $3,480, and Tea Caddy, $3,165.

Waterboy, br h, 1899, by Watercress, dam Zealandia: Waterblossom, $9,303; Water Lady, $6,990; Waterbass, $6,330; Success, $2,225, and Greville, $2,205.

Stalwart, ch h, 1901, by Meddler, dam Melba: Brandywine, $4,235; Patty Regan, $2,315; Virile, $2,500; Father Riley, $1,990, and Margaret N., $1,687.

Transvaal, b h, 1905, by Commando, dam Royal Rose: Blackie Daw, $8,994; Resign, $2,508; Little Biller, $2,396; Transit, $2,185, and Burwood, $1,870.

Celt, ch h, 1905, by Commando, dam Maid of Erin: Coquette, $4,525; Paddy Whack, $3,400; Celandria, $3,240; Celto, $3,130, and Tralee, $2,980.

Stanhope II., br h, 1899, by Florizel II., dam King's Daughter: Kingly, $7,595; Tartarean, $6,730; Fair Montague, $4,745; Garish Sun, $1,745, and Little England, $1,245.—Thoroughbred Record.

THE FARM

MAKING THE MOST FROM A FEW COWS.

One of the many opportunities for beginners in farming is to keep only a few cows and sell cream, milk and butter to hotels and the private trade of their own and nearby towns. Some private dairies have animals which clear 30 cents a day per head for 300 of the 365 days in the year—a profit of $90 each every 12 months. All milch cows do not yield similar profits, for all dairymen and all cows are not alike. In most cases, though, it is the man and not the cow who makes or loses the dollars in dairying. Many a grand cow, well bred and worth a high place, has been ruined by having a careless owner. With better care the standard for each dairy in the country could be raised in a few years.

A dairyman aims to obtain a high quality of milk and lots of it at a minimum cost. Reliable statistics show that a cow that will not produce over 200 pounds of butter or an equivalent value in milk or cream is kept at a loss. The average good cow produces 400 pounds of butter, and still better cows produce between 800 and 900 pounds. Murne Cowan, the champion Guernsey, produced 1,373 pounds of butter in one year, and a Holstein-Friesian cow, Finderne Pride Johana Rue, the world's champion butter cow of all breeds, owing to her enormous milk-producing capabilities, produced butter fat in one year equivalent to 1,470 pounds of butter.

One o fthe main reasons why more people do not make a greater success of dairying is because they do not know the producing value of their individual cows. In no business other than agriculture do we find business men depending on their investment for a living, who do not know just exactly what it is paying them. The way to determine the standing of a herd is to test each member of it separately by means of weighing her milk on a pair of steel yard scales or spring balance, and testing with a Babcock centrifugal tester. The total cost of these appliances is less than $5. If shelter and sufficient feed, with good care, are given, these two methods are absolute in their correctness. Where only one cow is kept it is often not convenient to make this investment, but for a reasonable price, or for nothing, any creamery man will test a cow. The agricultural college of any state will also do this work, generally for nothing. The milk should be weighed after each milking and credited to each cow, and occasionally tested.

A breeder just starting should buy the best animals possible judging them by their performance, or milk-producing records, and by their pedigrees. It is a law of breeding that "like begets like." A cow whose ancestors have pedigrees that show that they were heavy milk-yielders is sure to be a good milk-producer herself. A large flow of milk is peculiar to some of the breeds; a smaller quantity of milk but of richer quality is characteristic of others. Quality of milk is inherent; that is, the percentage of butter fat cannot be increased in milk by care and feeding. The flow, however, can be increased.

The Jerseys and Guernseys are the best butter cows, but do not give as large yields as do the Holsteins, whose milk, on the other hand, does not contain as high a percentage of butter fat. The two former are best suited where butter and cream only are desired, and the latter is best where large quantities are offered for sale regardless of fat content. The Ayrshire breed comes in between these two types as a happy medium. Many large dairies are using Ayrshires entirely because of this reason. These four breeds have been bred for years along the lines indicated, and it is well for a beginner to study their special adaptation to his trade and environment before stocking up.

The problem of feeding the dairy cow is a most important one and perhaps the least understood. It is safe to say that nine-tenths of American farmers feed their cows only a little more than a maintenance ration. Sixty per cent of all a dairy cow eats goes to maintaining the heat waste of her body; everything above this goes to producing milk. A mixture composed of six pounds of bran, six pounds of gluten feed, 10 pounds of clover hay or alfalfa, 25 pounds of silage, and a small supply of turnips, say about 15 pounds, which should be fed after milking is finished, is a good ration for the average cow.

Feeding and milking should be done twice a day at regular hours.—Rural Press.

SHOEING THE FOUNDERED HORSE.

Founder leaves as an aftermath more or less deformity of hoof and foot. The congestion in the sensitive layers inside the hoof displaces the coffin bone from its normal position, and as a result the sole of the hoof, which is concave in health, becomes flat or even convex—"dropped sole." In some cases the sole extends beyond the wall. The wall accommodates itself to the new condition, so that the front of the wall is hollow, with a long toe. The coffin bone in a foundered foot is from one to two inches nearer the ground than it would be in health.

So in such a condition the sensitive structure of the foot is too near the ground and the horny sole usually too thin to afford protection. A shoer who does not understand the case may aggravate it by paring the sole thinner, in which condition the foot cannot stand contact with the hard ground. The toe being the principal seat of pain, the foundered horse puts the heels to the ground first, and if shod with high heels calks it will greatly add to the pain.

The only way to shoe a foundered horse is with a properly made and properly fitted bar shoe. The shoe should be wide in the web, so as to afford some cover to the margin of the sole, and thick enough to admit of plenty of concaving on the foot surface. It should be cut out like a saucer, so as to relieve the sole of pressure until it grows strong enough to carry some weight. If the frog projects high above weak, low heels, weld a steel lug on each heel of the shoe. Make the bar good and wide, so that it will not cut into the frog, in fitting it, and arch up the bar so that it throws but little weight on the frog at the first shoeing.

But as the frog sinks back into its normal position, as it will do if allowed gradually to perform its natural functions of weight bearing, bend the bar down, and you will observe the heels growing stronger, the frog slowly sinking back to its normal position and a marked improvement in the whole hoof. When the heels are level with the frog leave the lugs off, unless you need them for antislipping purposes. If the toe of the hoof is rolled up, as is often the case, fit the shoes rocker fashion. Foundered feet improve wonderfully if properly shod.

MILKING SHORTHORN BREEDERS ORGANIZED.

A movement of national importance was launched at the Minnesota State Fair when the American Milking Shorthorn Breeders' Association was organized. The advocates of the dual-purpose cow have been increasing very rapidly in recent years and they have felt the need of an association for registering these animals, that would guarantee them to be milking Shorthorns.

The meeting was called to order by T. A. Hoverstad and D. E. Willard acted as temporary secretary. The principal address was made by Mr. J. J. Hill, the empire builder, who for years has championed the cause of more and better live stock in the Northwest. Mr. Hill told of the records being made by his noted herd of imported milking Shorthorns, and urged the necessity of an association for recording and advancing the interests of the breed. Prof. Thomas Shaw, who has advocated the dual-purpose cow for 25 years and through whose efforts the meeting was called, spoke on the purpose of the association.

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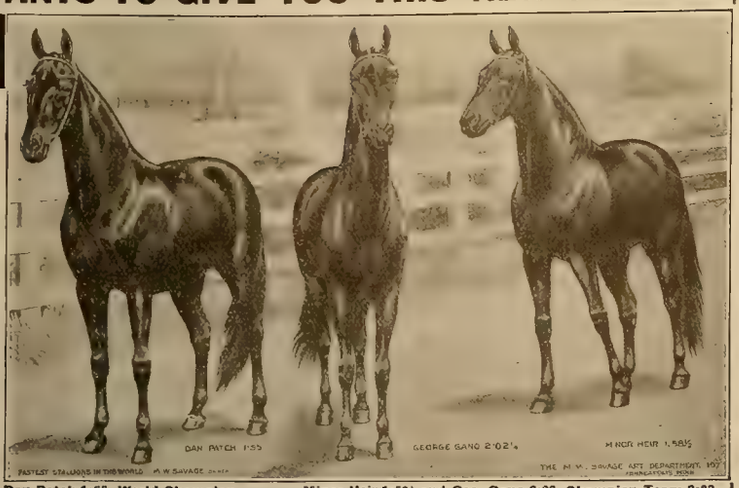
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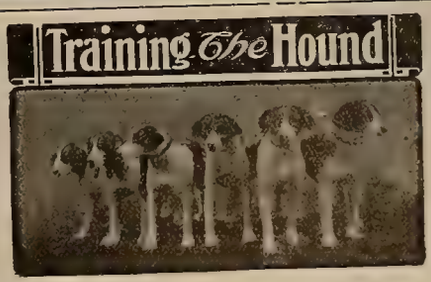
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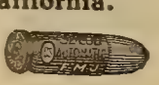
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TOM WILLIAMS ANSWERS SUMMONS.

"Tom Williams is dead," was the news that went the rounds of the gathering places of the sporting element in the bay cities Saturday morning, to be confirmed later by the announcements in the daily papers of his end, the tidings being received with various emotions in various quarters. The sanctimonious class pulled a moral from his passing, many horsemen heaved a sigh of relief, decently mingled with a tinge of regret, and marked the day as the first of a brand new chapter in racing annals, while a circle larger by far than either or both of the foregoing paid respectful tribute to a strong man gone—a fighter, a steadfast hater of his numerous enemies, a loyal friend to those he liked. Like many another man now gone, the dead turf magnate occupied a unique position in his day, one whose like shall not again be seen upon this coast, or in this land. "Man is a creature of environment," and the environment which made possible the creation of Williams and his power has passed away forever.

The story of Tom Williams, could it be told in full, would be accepted in most circles as a truly western "romance," and perhaps it is. His father, the first Thomas Hanford Williams, came to California in the early fifties and began the practice of law in El Dorado county, subsequently transferring the scene of activities to Nevada, where in 1859 he became attorney general. In settlement of a fee for legal services rendered a Nevada miner, the elder Williams accepted shares in a certain mining claim, thereby laying the foundation of the family fortune, as the claims proved to be none other than the nucleus of what eventually became famous as the Consolidated Virginia and Consolidated California mines of the Comstock lode. These shares he eventually cashed for six million dollars to the major stockholders, Messrs. Mackay, Fair, Flood and O'Brien, a portion of the proceeds being invested in extensive land holdings in the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys. Thomas Hanford Williams Jr. was born December 9, 1859, in the city of Sacramento, and after the completion of his education in local institutions it was to the operation of these land holdings that his first business activity was directed.

In the later eighties, young Williams first manifested an active interest in horse racing, breaking into the game originally as a "gentleman rider." In those days the Pacific Coast Blood Horse Association was the premier organization fostering thoroughbred racing, and by his election to high office therein, Williams gained his first insight into the possibilities offered by the situation. Gradually he laid his plans, increasing his hold upon turf affairs steadily, eventually assuming the power of a dictator in his particular field—not merely assuming it in name, but wielding it in actuality. The Blood Horse Association, through a process of evolution, became in the end the New California Jockey Club, of which Williams was the head, and "whole show." In 1892 the winter racing center shifted to California, and Williams was launched upon the career which was to last for two decades. With the passing of Bay District track, Emeryville sprang into existence, to become the west's greatest course. Strange it is that the Emeryville track and its old ruler should have passed out almost together after all these years.

About 1894 was issued the manifesto which had long been under consideration, the declaration that all racing in this section would be under the sanction of the California Jockey Club, or, to be more specific, of Thomas Hanford Williams. That he "made it stick" is a rare tribute to the man's personality, and the downfall of racing in California may be tracked back to this day. Of the "turf wars" that ensued between Emeryville, Ingleside and Tanforan, little need be said save that Williams emerged the victor. Conditions under the Williams rule became intolerable, with the result that in 1909 the legislature put an end to open racetrack gambling. For two years racing was conducted with "jawbone" speculation, but could not be made to pay and was discontinued, there being no thoroughbred racing to speak of from 1911 until this season, when the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association staged their meeting at the exposition.

Tom Williams' policy was largely a "rule or ruin" one, and when it became evident to him that he could no longer rule racing, it has been plainly stated that he did not hesitate to use the considerable influence left him to obstruct every effort to re-establish it on a better basis. It has been a common saying that "while Williams lives, racing will not come back"—and Williams no longer lives. The Court of Last Resort has broken his power forever, and we shall now see how well or ill the prophecy applies in the hint it holds that with Williams' passing racing might be revived.

Mr. Williams had long been a sufferer from pulmonary trouble, to which in recent months complications were added involving the heart. For the last few years he had made his home across the bay, where he lived quietly with his family, the change being a decided contrast to the turbulent years during which he fought his way to the top of the ladder. In addition to his inheritance he amassed a considerable fortune through his racing operations, but lost heavily in Mexico when the Diaz government was overthrown. In private life he was a different person from the Tom Williams the racegoing public knew, devoted to home and family, and to a certain extent a patron of arts. His library is among the finest in the west, containing many works of rareness and value. His wife and two children, a boy and a girl, survive him.

DEATH OF GEO. D. CONNER.

It was not strictly with a shock that the death of Secretary Conner of the Detroit Driving Club and Michigan State Fair, was learned, for ill-health had been his for several months back, and it was known for some time that his case was practically hopeless. In the early days of 1915, Mr. Conner suffered a severe attack, the nature of which appeared to be paralytic, and from this he was slow to regain his normal condition. A southern trip and treatment by specialists gave some hope and considerable improvement for a time, so that his familiar form was seen at his regular duties during the Blue Ribbon meeting and the meetings conducted by the Detroit Driving Club on the halfmile track at Detroit, but gradually his naturally staunch constitution was beaten down by the insidious encroach of disease. His death occurred on October 28, at his home in Battle Creek, Mich., where he had been taken when his condition had been diagnosed as critical.

Mr. Conner's connection with the harness sport covered a lengthy period, and his years as an official have been active ones marked with progressive ideas in track management. His exact age is not given, but it is stated to have been about 56 years. In his earlier years he engaged for a time at the tailoring business in Saginaw, Mich., but his love for the trotter asserted itself at every opportunity, when business duties were not too strong to prevent the enjoyment of his favorite sport — harness racing. About twenty years ago his first connection as a racing official came, Mr. Conner then being a resident of Jackson, Mich. The sport, once strong and vigorous there, was retrograding when he was chosen for secretary of the local club. Soon his capacity as a capable manager was made manifest through some meetings in that city, which in contrast to former ones, were remarkable successes, and it was through his capable handling of affairs in Jackson that he assumed the secretaryship at Detroit. Changes in that office at the Strait City were frequent those days, but Mr. Conner proven then that he was an extraordinary official, and when he retired from the secretaryship to settle down at Battle Creek, he had made a splendid record.

In 1911 Mr. Conner took up active work again in track management, this time his connection being with the association at Marshall, Mich., where the light harness horse had gained a splendid hold. So successful was his meeting that year that he asked for, and was granted, dates the following year in the Great Western Circuit. Another successful meeting followed, and he was asked to again take charge of the track at Jackson, the scene of his first success. Notable meetings there in 1913 caused him to be engaged by the Detroit Driving Club, he succeeding Albert H. Moone, who had occupied the secretaryship for some time.

During Mr. Conner's occupancy of the secretary's chair at Jackson and Marshall he had been a strong worker in building up the Michigan Short Ship Circuit, and when he took up his new duties at Detroit, it was with the understanding that he would be allowed to continue his existing relations with the state organization. In 1914 and 1915, besides handling the Blue Ribbon meeting of the Grand Circuit, and the state fair meeting over the Detroit track, he supervised an earlier meeting on the halfmile track at the state fair grounds (which was in connection with the Short Ship Circuit), also acting as circuit secretary of the latter organization, and handling the meeting at Jackson. Always enterprising and alive to the demands of the public, he popularized racing in each instance where he managed affairs, and made his meetings successful ones, invariably.

As a forceful, energetic and progressive official, his passing will be regretted by numbers of horsemen, who will miss his genial, big-hearted presence. The deep sympathy of all who knew Mr. Conner and recognized the splendid qualities that he possessed, will go out to a widow and daughter who survive him.—Western Horseman.

Big Pacing Stake to be Raced Today

When the $20,000 event for 2:06 pacers was dated for the closing day of the November meeting, horsemen in many quarters advanced the opinion that it would never be raced, as rain was almost sure to interrupt a fortnight's program at this season. Nevertheless they made their entries and brought their horses—and what they predicted came to pass—it rained, the daily programs were scheduled to be carried forward, and the exposition people stated their intention of racing only such races as that arrangement permitted, doubling up no programs and declaring off events not reached by Saturday evening.

Under these conditions horsemen themselves took a hand in the proceedings and Messrs. Richard McMahon, Thomas W. Murphy and William G. Durfee met with the P.-P. I. E. officials and made them a proposition to take over the stake and the gate receipts at the track for the day and race it as originally scheduled, this afternoon. After considerable hemming and hawing this was acceded to, with the result that this afternoon, through the enterprise of three gentlemen of the class designated last spring by a high exposition official as "those greedy horsemen," there will be staged the most interesting event of the entire season. The three parties named take over the entrance money paid in and the receipts at the track only and guarantee the stake in full, the excess receipts at the main gates to the grounds going to the fair people as their "bit" for the deficit in the balance of the events raced today.

It is a matter of regret that the time intervening between the adoption of the plan and its culmination is so short, as not much publicity work can be done. The local papers announced some days ago that in all probability the big event would not take place, and though they have been generous in giving space to a correction of this impression there will probably be many people who will stay away, not knowing of the treat they are missing. Our own publication, going in the mails Friday afternoon, reaches only local readers in time for them to get ready to be on deck, much to our regret.

However, here's regards to those good sportsmen who have shouldered the stake, and here's hoping that they get a good gate and win the big money of the event. They have it coming to them.

Major Ong Sets Track Record

Fifth Day, Friday, Nov. 5.

Tommy Murphy, a fugitive from the wrath of a doctor at St. Luke's hospital, was the hero of the afternoon at the exposition track today, driving one winner and one second. The previous day he was operated upon owing to the bad after effects of the kick he received some days ago at Pleasanton, the presiding judge of the chloroform circuit putting him on the ground for not less than four days. Awakening this morning and feeling fairly fit he donned his duds and headed for the exposition race track, with the results just stated. His condition prevented him from being "Murphy at his best" when it came to strenuous driving, but his exhibition of nerve and gameness was remarkable. After the work was over he again hit the hospital and was put together a bit more stoutly, the only apparent ill effects of the day, at the moment, being the breaking of several stitches and the loss of quite a little blood.

The 2:13 trot was a present for Mirthful, there being nothing in the race to make her extend herself. Bon Courage was distanced the first heat and John Mack had a very narrow escape from the same fate in the first mile, trotting a much better race for the remaining heats of the event and being a consistent second, though not a dangerously close one. Future Tramp was hardly as good as yesterday, being inclined to leave his feet more often.

Allie Lou, winner of the Occident stake, fell into another soft spot in the State Fair futurity and won it in straight heats with lengths to spare and two or three seconds of speed in reserve, apparently. Byron and Carl trotted second and third, respectively, in each heat, May Alto and Winnie Bond getting the flag the first time out. There is a consolation purse of $400 for this division of the stake, and May and Winnie will race for this before the meeting closes.

The most interesting event of the day was the 2:25 pace, in which Mack Fitzsimmons and Jean were the foremost contenders. Mack was on the pole and took the field away nicely, Ben Corbett Jr. and Jean dropping into second and third positions. At the half the bay mare was on about even terms and the three leaders came into the stretch well bunched, Mack and Jean drawing away when the brush set in. Murphy teamed the Pittsburg lass nicely but Helman and the Portland gelding had the situation well in hand and won by a good length or over in 2:08½. Contention B. sprinted into third place and Zoetrix and Ben Corbett Jr. had a merry little race for the small money, the white-painted daughter of Zolock having the best of it.

They were harder to get away the second time, though no great amount of scoring was required at that. Zoetrix made a very bad break before getting out of the straightaway, and Fitzsimmons, Jean and Contention B. paraded Indian fashion to the quarter in thirty-one seconds and to the half in 1:04½. Ben Corbett moved up alongside down the back stretch and took the Chandler route over the short turn, Helman coming into the stretch at a two-minute gait. Both Murphy and Durfee started a drive that in no way worried Henry, William Gee deciding he had had enough when he clinched third place, while Tommy gave up at the club house after an unsuccessful effort to head the chestnut gelding. The last mile was much the same, Mack setting the pace to the wire with Jean's nose at Helman's shoulder. The final quarter of the race was reeled off in :29¾ on the end of a mile in 2:08¾, and as Fitzsimmons raced in front throughout the event he looks like a mighty handy wiggler. The summary:

Friday, Nov. 5.—2.13 trot, purse $2,000:

Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen—Lizzie Belle Smith by George Simmons 2:28 (Murphy) 1 1 1
John Mack, b g by Geo. A. Fuller 2.08¾—Ida Purple 2.14½ by Cutting 2.10½.....(Tryon) 3 2 2
Future Tramp, b g by Trampfast (2) 2:12¼—Future Princess Ideal by Chimes ....(Sexton) 2 3 3
Bon Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney (3) 2:24¼—Helen Keyes by Sidney Dillon .....(Hayes) ds

Time—:32 , 1:06 , 1:39 , 2:13¼
:32¼, 1:05 , 1:38½, 2:10¼
:32 , 1:05¼, 1:38½, 2:09⅝

Distribution of purse—Mirthful $1,000, John Mack $450, Future Tramp $350, Association $200.

State Fair Futurity, three-year-old trotters, purse $1,500 ($1,100 to race, $100 to owner of sire of winner when dam was bred).

Allie Lou, br f by Kinney Lou 2:07¾—Lady Zombro 2.24¼ by Zombro 2.11....(C. L. DeRyder) 1 1 1
Byron, bl g by Tom Moko—Rita H. 2.12½ by McKinney 2:11¼ .....(W. G. Durfee) 2 2 2
Carl, bl c by Carlokin 2:07½—My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾, by Petigru.....(C. A. Durfee) 3 3 3
May Alto, bl f by Alto Express 2:22¼—Maymonio by Demonio 2:11¼ .....(Ivey) ds
Winnie Bond, b f by The Bondsman—La Moscovita by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼.....(Daniels)

Time—:33 , 1:06¼, 1:40½, 2:13¼
:33½, 1:06¾, 1:40¾, 2:13½
:33 , 1:07 , 1:41 , 2:14

Distribution of purse—Allie Lou $700, Byron $350, Carl $210, Association $140, Hemet Stock Farm $100.

2:25 pace, purse $2,000:

Mack Fitzsimmons, ch g by Bob Fitzsimmons 2:07¾—Jennie High Noon 2:18½ by High Noon. .....(Helman) 1 1 1
Jean, b m by Flosko—Jean Director by Director 2:17 .....(Murphy) 2 2 2
Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro 2:01—Bonnie Ailse 2:08½ by Faustino 2:12¼..(W. G. Durfee) 3 3 3
Ben Corbett Jr., b g by Ben Corbett 2:21—Miss Thompson by Thompson .....(Finley) 5 4 4
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy 2:17½ .....(Will DeRyder) 6 5 5
Zoetrix, ch m by Zolock 2:05¼—Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½.....(Chadbourne) 4 ds

Time—:32 , 1:05¾, 1:37½, 2:08½
:31 , 1:04½, 1:37¾, 2:07¾
:32 , 1:06¼, 1:39 , 2:08¾

Distribution of purse—Mack Fitzsimmons $1000, Jean $500, Contention B. $300, Ben Corbett Jr. $150, Zoetrix $50.

Sixth Day, Saturday, Nov. 6.

The smallest Saturday crowd that the exposition meeting has ever had was treated to some nice exhibitions of speed and reinsmanship this afternoon, the weather being fairly pleasant and the footing about the best yet, though still plenty hard. Bondalean and Peter Scott had no difficulties in winning their respective events, as had been generally anticipated, but the 2:07 pace was a different matter, and its winner, the diminutive Major Ong, was duly acclaimed the boss of the exposition course to date, his second heat in 2:04¼ establishing a new mark for the nigger foot track by a full second. White Sox, Will Durfee's stake winner, carried the favor of the crowd from first to last, and while her friends remained loyal they were not so prejudiced in her favor but that they could spare hearty applause for the little horse that trimmed her. It was a great little horse race, with Sox not at her best, while the Major was as right as they come. To "add insult to injury" Murphy piloted him to victory over the Durfee mare hooked to a Durfee sulky, Ong's favorite wagon being in use behind Peter Scott.

MAJOR ONG.

[With apologies to Henry T. White.]

Major Ong
Wasn't long
Getting "right as rain,"
After he'd
Had a feed
Of California grain.

And the hay
Seemed to say:
"I'm the best you've found";
Suited him.
Gave him vim—
Also thirty pound.

Climate, too,
Helped him through
When he went to race;
Four n' a quarter,
Some rip snorter,
Gosh, how he could pace!

Beat by cracks
On the tracks
Of every eastern state,
He was best
Way out west—
Here he hit his gait.

Volunteer,
Lend an ear,
To this simple tale;
Major's sure
A "poor doer,"
But he copped the kale.

Moral is,
(Why, gee-whizz!
See it without eyes):
California,
Gosh-gol-darn-ya,
'S a real horse paradise!

The Major, displaying the true military geni that is the mark of all great strategists, had co mand of the situation at all times, conducting t engagement on lines most approved in modern wa fare. Commanding officers appear at the head their troops only in time to receive the "glory" pa of the battle, or in moments of dire distress. Beir a wily gentleman and realizing fully the havoc th is so often wreaked upon the advance guard, the M jor's system was to throw out skirmishers in suf cient strength to engage the troops of General A mospheric Pressure and Colonel Friction, whos strong array of seasoned veterans received assistanc from the naval forces of Admiral Sea Breeze, whos squadron was drawn up in a commanding positio just outside the heads, from which point a consi erable portion of the battle ground could be swe by the blasts from its largest high power rifle Under cover of this advance guard it was the Major system to make a steady but unpretentious approac until the final breastworks were reached, whereupo he would emerge from his protected position and g whooping to glory with a rush and a cheer. Thre times in a row these tactics were successful, and a the conclusion of the final charge the opposing force ran up the white flag and surrendered, being co voyed, under guard but with all the honors of wa to the concentration camp at Fort Lively (or For Deadly, according to one's point of view). Take i from us, Mabel, the sight of Major Ong leading thos final charges with a bowie knife in his teeth, the fir of battle in his eye and his long hair floating in th breeze was some spectacle, hon, some spectacle.

White Sox was awarded the pole when the judge juggled the leather jug for positions for the firs heat, and took 'em to the quarter in :31½, with On under her cover and Teddy Bear, Little Bernice an College Gent following as named. Bernice brok down the back stretch and Gent moved up to a goo fourth on the turn, passing Teddy in the sprint. Onc into the stretch the Major came out with a rush an headed Sox to the wire in 2:07¼, Durfee's mare no being squared away smoothly by any means. Bernice for whom the pace was a bit swift after her break seemed to most spectators near the wire to need a bit of assistance to beat the flag, receiving the same with thanks. The second heat was very similar t the first save that Sox was better and the time faster Both Murph and Durf were teaming for their las dollar when they straightened away in the last quar ter, reeling it off in 29½ seconds, Sox having he nose at Ong's flank at the wire. Most of those pres ent knew Murphy's physical condition, and when the time was hung out as 2:04¼ they gave the lank yank and the little bay horse a right warm welcome.

Save for a break by Sox early in the final heat there would undoubtedly have been another mile in 2:05 or better. They went away buzzing like a bunch of hornets and had gone but a few lengths when Durfee's mare left her feet, Will having to use a deal of skill to settle her without causing trouble. The Major, adverse to racing in front, waited a bit for a pacemaker going into the turn, the black horse from Winnipeg accommodating him but going to the half a second slower than Sox had done in the fast one. The latter mare, in the meantime, had settled and gone about her business as per usual, racing into third position in Ong's trail. In the stretch the bay ones passed the black 'un and hammered out another quarter in :29½, the Major having about as much the best of it as usual. The Winnipeg pacer went a good race, while Teddy Bear, as on his last appearance here, was not at his best.

Bondalean and Rayo de Oro were the most highly regarded of the futurity pacers, with Greatness reckoned as dangerous with Millard Sanders doing the teaming, and while the brown filly won a heat and second money the advance dope was about right on the other two. The Los Angeles pacer is a very fast colt but is inclined to hit his knees on the turns here, breaking frequently on the turns and pacing fast when squared away. In the first heat Daniels underestimated Greatness' brush, and under Sanders' skillful lifting she came down on the inside passage and nipped the winner's place in a pretty finish. In the second heat Bondalean made a procession of the bunch into the stretch, where Sanders again tried

ith the filly. This time, however, Daniels had his olt under way earlier in the game, Greatness giving p the contest almost before reaching the club house. his heat gave the local filly all she wanted of real acing apparently, and in the ensuing miles she was ontent to be third, Rayo de Oro being the second horse in each heat, making a strong but unsuccessful id for the third one. Dixon Boy, fourth each time, as a lot of speed and saved himself from the flag n the third by pacing an excellent final five-eighths. Sheldon B., who showed last spring that he had a ood lick when on his feet, was not steady enough to gure as a contender.

Peter Scott, headed for a season's record of over 50,000 winnings in stakes and purses, ran his total p to $49,760 when he annexed the 2:08 trot in traight heats. Virginia Barnette took 'em away andily, Peter dropping into his favorite place in he trail, Albaloma trotting up down the back stretch nd going into and around the turn in the lead, eter, Virginia and Electric Patch being well bunched s named. Virginia's feet flew up in the stretch and cott won by two lengths from Albaloma, the Patch orse a nice third. In the second heat Virginia was gain the pacemaker, Albaloma repeating as leader nto the stretch with Peter outside him. Virginia ept trotting and came with a rush that put Murphy o driving, the Poughkeepsie pair having vivid recol- ections of being frisked for a hundred and a quarter y the Los Angeles gangsters earlier in the week. As the official time of the last quarter was :29¾, Virginia herself must have stepped at about a 1:56 gait, or near it. In the third heat she broke at a critical moment heading into the stretch and Alba- oma couldn't force Peter out faster than 2:11. The ummary:

Saturday, Nov. 6.—Breeders' Futurity, three-year-old acers, purse $1,800 ($1,500 to race, $200 to nominator of am on whose original entry winner was named, $100 to wner of sire of winner when mare was bred):

Bondalean, b c by The Bondsman—Katalina 2:11¼ by Tom Smith 2:13¼.....(Daniels)	2	1	1	1
Greatness, br f by Peter Wilton—Abbie Mc-Nutward by Guy McKinney.....(Sanders)	1	2	3	3
Rayo de Oro, ch c by Copa de Oro 2:01—Easter D. (2) 2:13½ by Diablo 2:09¼ (W. G. Durfee)	3	3	2	2
Dixon Boy, b g by The Patchen Boy (3) 2:10¾ —Leota 2:23 by Diablo 2:09¼.....(Tryon)	4	4	4	4
Sheldon B., b g by Barney Barnato 2:19½— Ramona by Prince Robert.....(Alvord)	5	ds		

Time—:32 , 1:05¼, 1:37½, 2:10¼
:32 , 1:04¾, 1:37½, 2:09¼
:32½, 1:05½, 1:39 , 2:10¾
:33 , 1:05¼, 1:38 , 2:13½

Distribution of purse—Bondalean $750, Greatness $375, Rayo de Oro $225, Dixon Boy $150, Estate of W. J. Miller $200, Capt. C. P. McCan $100.

2:07 pace, purse $1,500:

Major Ong, b g by Major Gantz 2:08½—Bessie J. by Iowa Sentinel 2:29¾.....(Murphy)	1	1	1	
White Sox, b m by Del Coronado 2:09½—Subito by Steinway (3) 2:25¾.....(W. G. Durfee)	2	2	2	
College Gent, bl h by Kentucky Patterson—Belle H. by Senator Crisp.....(Barnes)	3	3	3	
Teddy Bear, br h by Del Coronado 2:09½—Queen S. by Sable Wilkes 2:18.....(Daniels)	4	4	4	
Little Bernice, b m by Del Coronado 2:09½—Pearl Pointer by Sky Pointer.....(Schwartz)	5	5	5	

Time—:31½, 1:03¾, 1:37 , 2:07¼
:31 , 1:02½, 1:34¾, 2:04¼
:31½, 1:03½, 1:36 , 2:05½

Distribution of purse—Major Ong $750, White Sox $325, College Gent $225, Teddy Bear $150.

2:08 trot, purse $5,000:

Peter Scott, br h by Peter the Great 2:07¼— Jenny Scott 2:14¼ by Bryson 2:16¾..(Murphy)	1	1	1	
Albaloma, b g by Almaden D. 2:16¼—Loma B. by Stam B. 2:11¼.....(Quinn)	2	3	2	
Virginia Barnette, b m (4) by Moko—Zephyr 2:07¼ by Zombro 2:11.....(W. G. Durfee)	4	2	4	
Electric Patch, bl h (4) by Dan Patch 1:55¼— Zella Directum by Directum 2:05¼.....(Macey)	3	4	3	
Axtien, ch h by Axworthy (3) 2:15½—Protein 2:11¾ by Glenwold.....(Harris)	ds			

Time—:32 , 1:05¼, 1:37¾, 2:08¾
:32½, 1:06½, 1:39¾, 2:09½
:33½, 1:06¼, 1:40 , 2:11

Distribution of purse—Peter Scott $2,500, Albaloma $1,125, Virginia Barnette $750, Electric Patch $625.

Anselila, 1, 2:17 1-2

"Chickens come home to roost," and back to California has come again one of her pets that for the time had been wandering in strange lands—the yearling record for trotting fillies. Ever since the day in 1881 when Pride by Buccaneer and Hinda Rose by Electioneer became the first yearlings of any sex to trot below three minutes, their miles over a local course being negotiated in 2:44½ and 2:43 respectively, the Golden State has had a fondness for yearling records. Nine days later Hinda Rose cut her mark to 2:36½, and the following year Freedom, with Johnny Goldsmith driving, put the yearling record in the standard list. In subsequent seasons our farms produced such champions of the age as Bell Bird 2:26¼, Frou Frou 2:25¼, Adbell 2:23, Wilbur Lou 2:19½, Verbena Ansel 2:26 on a two-lap track, Anselot 2:28½ (the first standard yearling trotting gelding), and Anselila 2:17½, the world's champion filly of the age and gait. Of the numerous laurels won during the present season by the get of Prince Ansel, this latest one is the greatest and most highly prized.

ANSELILA (1) 2:17½

Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½
- Dexter Prince 11363
  - Kentucky Prince 2470 by Clark Chief 89
  - Lady Dexter by Hambletonian 10
- Woodflower
  - Ansel 2:20 by Electioneer 125
  - Mayflower 2:30½ by St. Clair 16675

Ila Moko
- Moko 24457
  - Baron Wilkes 2:18 by Geo. Wilkes 2:22
  - Queen Ethel by Strathmore 408
- Dictator's Last
  - Dictator 113 by Hambletonian 10
  - Medium's Last by Happy Medium 400

Fourth dam Susanne by Countersign 885.
Fifth dam by Inglis' Hambletonian.
Sixth dam by Harp' Halcorn.

Anselila, whose tabulated pedigree appears herewith, was the original "first choice" of the draft of seven weanlings sent last winter from Woodland Stock Farm to Lexington to be trained by Hunter Moody. Last fall, just after the weanling band had been well broken, the writer had the pleasure of spending a day at the Considine establishment, and of the many attractions there, Anselila was the brightest. Carefully broken by Walter Maben during Supt. Dowling's absence at the later race meetings, she had developed, at the time of my visit, all the attributes of an old horse so far as manners and gait were concerned, while as an individual she was pleasing in the extreme. She acted in harness like a campaigner, and had more lick and a cleaner, more natural, effortless trot than any baby I had seen to that time—or to this. I believe I may safely lay claim to having been a "rooter" for Anselila from the first, and it is pleasing to know that for once in my life I was "in right" in liking her.

Mr. Considine's faith in Anselila was such that many months ago he offered to wager one to three that she became the champion filly, so his jubilation over her success may well be imagined. At Lexington she furnished much interest for the railbirds and considerable matter for press comment during her early work, showing very fast. A bit later she seemed due to be shelved for the season from minor ailments, but a run for a few weeks in a paddock brought her around again, so that she was taken up late in the year and put to work. On very limited preparation she was put in the list with a mark of 2:27¾ as the Lexington trots came to a close, reducing these figures on October 27 to 2:22½, making Prince Ansel the sire of the season's two fastest yearling fillies. On Monday of the present week, with conditions none too favorable, Mr. Moody drove her in 2:20 so handily that he resolved to have another try for the championship mark. Wednesday the effort was made with most gratifying success, the phenomenal filly circling the Lexington course in 2:17½, a considerable reduction in the previous best time, the 2:19¼ of Miss Stokes, made in 1909 over the same track.

After such a climax to such a successful season, congratulations are in order all around, and horsemen in general join us in extending them most heartily to Mr. Considine and the gentlemen who shared in the development of the present crop of Prince Ansel yearlings—Messrs. Maben, Dowling and Moody.



The colt that keeps the "Silva Smile" fresh
BONDALEAN (3) 2:09¼
Winner of the pacing divisions of the Oregon and P. C. T. H. B. A. Futurities.

Seventh Day, Wednesday, Nov. 10.

It hardly seems necessary to tell it here, but after one week of uninterrupted racing, the exposition meeting was rudely broken into by rain. Sunday was a beautiful day, but Monday dawned sullenly, its general aspect early in the forenoon being that of an ungodly heathen who had strayed from the paths of righteousness in a week-end celebration and awakened on the first working day of the week the victim of a considerable hangover. If such was the case, the weather-man evidently harkened to the old adage concerning "the hair of the dog" and started in all over again, with the result that before lunch time the hangover had developed into a genuine weepy jag, the teardrops falling in copious quantities. A beating shower would have meant but little, but Monday's downpour was one of those gentle old sizzle-sozzles whose every drop was soaked in by the thirsty soil of the track—and when this track gets wet it is real wet. Monday and Tuesday were days of not a chance, so that Monday's card was carried forward to Wednesday.

The sun was bright all day, but the track showed no signs of emulating Arizona's example in going dry, and when the races were called at one o'clock the track manager had made no move to assist things along by applying the harrows. Finally, however, about 2:30, Starter Updegraff sounded the tocsin that caused the clans to gather, most of them coming to the wire by ferry and others by old-fashioned "stone-boats." Impromptu mud guards were much in evidence, but even these did not save the drivers from being bespattered with mud of the most clinging

kind. The owners of Spriggan, Miss Perfection and others entered in the 2:24 trot declined to risk their horses in such going, so that event was not raced, while Allie Lou's withdrawal from the Stanford stake left only two starters for that classic. The condition of the track was indescribable. Wheels skidded, mud hung to the driver's clothes in great gobs, and horses skittered around at first like kids on skates. Suffice it to say that Henry Atkinson, dismounting after two circuits of the course, weighed almost as much as a man.

So far as contests were concerned a most profound silence may be preserved, as there were no such things, the nearest approach to one developing in the Stanford stake, which was the best race of the two carded. Carl was a bit unsteady in the first round, the time of which was barely on the fast side of forty, but in the succeeding heats he trotted the best race of his career, going the longest mile and forcing Patterson to keep moving at all times to have any sort of a really comfortable margin of advantage at the wire. Both colts behaved excellently under the conditions prevailing and gave an admirable account of themselves, the average time of their three miles being only a second slower than that made by the aged trotters, most of whom have shown ability to go the route on good footing anywhere from 2:05 to 2:10.

The 2:16 trot was a gift for Mirthful, the only feature worthy of mention being that the track was probably the worst that she or her driver ever raced over. Seneca Boy had no opposition for second money, while Bon Courage, with Fred Ward up, outranked Columbia T., going a steadier race than before after once getting accustomed to the mud guard rigged over his hindquarters. The summary:

Wednesday, Nov. 10—Stanford Stake, three-year-old trotters, purse $1,320:

Geo. N. Patterson, bl c by On Voyage (3) 2:25¾—
Yu Tu by R. Ambush 2:09¼.....(Rutherford) 1 1 1
Carl, bl g by Carlokin 2:07½—My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½.....(C. A. Durfee) 2 2 2
Time—2:39¾, 2:31½, 2:32¼

Distribution of purse—Geo. N. Patterson $880, Carl $440.

2:16 trot, purse $2,000:

Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen—Lizzie Belle Smith by George Simmons 2:28 (Murphy) 1 1 1
Seneca Boy, ch g by King Entertainer 2:10¼—Seneca Maid 2:30 by John Adams.....(Dean) 2 2 2
Bon Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney (3) 2:24¼—Helen Keyes by Sidney Dillon.....(Ward) 4 3 3
Columbia T., b m by Bon Guy (3) 2:11¾—May T. 2:15 by Monterey 2:09¼.....(Daniels) 3 4 4
Matawan, br g by Athadon (1) 2:27—Cora Wickersham by Junio 2:22.....(Schwartz) ds
Time—2:29, 2:35, 2:36.

Distribution of purse—Mirthful $1000, Seneca Boy $500, Bon Courage $275, Columbia T. $225.

Eighth Day, Thursday, Nov. 11.

With the sunshine that had been doing duty for the previous day and the morning of Thursday, any any ordinary racetrack would have been in some sort of shape by afternoon, but not the nigger foot route at the P.-P. I. E. Like a periodic souse, having been dry a long time it is now balancing the score by being wet a long time, as the progress made yesterday in the drying-out process was almost imperceptible. Harrows had little effect on it, floats were out of the question entirely, and the going was a fright. There was no slushy stuff to spatter, but it was rutted and ridged like a miniature "contour map" of the Sierras, flanked by a few counties from the Cascade and Rocky mountain sections. When a horse stuck his foot in it it hung there, and sulkies bounced along like old-fashioned buckboards on a corduroy road.

Half a dozen two-year-old trotters came out for that division of the State Fair futurity, Natalday being the only one with any previous racing experience. It was pretty tough on the young 'uns to ask them to race in the mud, but they went at it with a will and went two very nice heats, Natalday, with Millard Sanders up, winning handily in each mile. Will DeRyder driving Frank Malcolm's filly, Miss Bond, to second money, the two leaders both going steady races. Charley DeRyder with Miss Axworthy Dillon and Will Durfee with Hermes took turns at third and fourth place, dividing those moneys, the latter making a wild break in the stretch in the final mile when right up with the leaders and in position to challenge for the heat. Sadie Ansel's breaks cost her ground in both heats, while Alesandro finished on the wrong side of the flag the first time out.

The 2:09 trot, with only Albaloma, Esperanza and Kid Cupid to start, was a joke race which would have been a serious affair had it been at a "betting meeting." Albaloma, on all previous performance, should have won in straight heats but only speared one, the others also taking one each. Esperanza went to the front around the turn in the first heat and opened up a lead that Quinn made no apparent effort to cut down, giving a lifelike imitation of a man whose mind was wandering far, far away. In the second he went into the lead and stayed there as he should, winning looking back, Kid Cupid breaking behind him. In the third they went away like a funeral but quickened after a hundred yards or so, Kid Cupid going out in front. Albaloma moved up down the inside passage of the back stretch, but Cupid headed him into the turn and before Quinn's alarm clock had gotten around to ringing time had stolen a lead of several lengths. Now when Cupid trots he trots fast, and this is one mile he refused to break. Along toward sundown Quinn began driving to catch him, with Durfee also shaking up the tiring Esperanza, but neither could bother Daniels, who won as he pleased. The event caused considerable amusement to those few present and set the judges to thinking, but no action was taken.

Hal Boy, favorite for the big pace on Saturday, won his event in straight heats and fair time, considering the going, but he had company at all times in the shape of a light chestnut gentleman from Denver—Red Rock. This handy sidewheeler, with the shipping soreness all worked out of his system, was the hero of the occasion and was not beaten until the race was over. On his last appearance he was still feeling the effects of his ride on the cars, but today he was there with the goods and gave the crowd a few genuine thrills.

Pointer's Daughter drew the pole and immediately elected to perform at her worst rather than at her best, taking an awful hold and going into her hobbles in approved O. U. C. fashion. When she did come down pacing something else was off, and after a few fruitless efforts to get them away by her, Starter Updegraff designated the better acting Red Rock as the guide horse, also cautioning drivers to be in shape to "leave there" on reaching the wire. One recall and one fine, fifty bucks for Dick McMahon, were the result, and then they went away, Pointer's Daughter being in a tantrum at the time and not settling until she had gone almost an eighth. Hal Boy led the procession to the back stretch, Red Rock, John Malcolm, Princess Patch and Soumise trailing as named, the Princess breaking at the half. Hal Boy, Malcolm and Red Rock came into the stretch well bunched and began what was, for the going, a mighty fast brush. McGuire and McMahon are both wily and artful Frenchmen, and at it they went. Past the paddock the former was a bit to the good and McMahon went to driving in real earnest, as evidenced by his leaning attitude—a sure sign. In front of the club house Dick imbued new life into Hal Boy and the game little fellow let out a link that landed him at the wire winner, but with not much to spare. Princess Patch, after settling at the half, beat out John Malcolm, while Soumise and Pointer's daughter both caught the flag.

With the bad actor out of the way the field was not a hard one to handle, Dick nodding for the word a bit back on an early score and going to the lead before the eighth was reached and staying there throughout the mile and winning much more easily than in the first heat, John Malcolm finishing strongly to beat Princess Patch for the lesser money. In the third the Boy again set the pace, with Red Rock trailing, Malcolm lapping outside and Princess some lengths back. In just such fashion they came into the stretch and past the paddock gate, Joe not being able to pull to the right on account of Malcolm's nearness and evidently not caring for the inside going, where there was room to spare. Gradually the Boy and the Red 'un drew away from Malcolm, and when the hole was big enough, McGuire and his horse popped out like a jack in the box and in the few remaining yards picked up over a length of ground, Hal Boy under a sting or two from Dick's whip, barely beating them. The details:

Thursday, Nov. 11.—State Fair Futurity, two-year-old trotters, purse $600.

Natalday, br c by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼—Ella J. by Bob Mason 2:27¼.....(Sanders 1 1
Miss Bond, b f by The Bondsman—Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon .....(W. DeRyder) 2 2
Miss Axworthy Dillon, b f by Axworthy 2:15½—Cleo Dillon 2:13¾ by Sidney Dillon.....(C. DeRyder) 3 4
Hermes, br c by Carlokin 2:07½—Miss Quealey 2:26¾ by Moko.....(W. G. Durfee) 4 3
Sadie Ansel, ch f by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½—Lauress by Mendocino 2:19½.....(Dowling) 5 5
Alesandro, b g by Barney Barnato — Ramona by Prince Robert .....(Alvord) ds
Time—:38¼, 1:14¼, 1:51¼, 2:32
:37½, 1:14½, 1:50½, 2:29½

Distribution of purse—Natalday $300, Miss Bond $150, Miss Axworthy Dillon $75, Hermes $75.

2:09 trot, purse $2,500:

Albaloma, b g by Almaden D. 2:16¼—Loma B. by Stam B. 2:11¼.....(Quinn) 2 1
Esperanza, b m by Carlokin 2:07½—My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½.....(W. G. Durfee) 1 2
Kid Cupid, ch g by Cupid 2:18—Zarina 2:13¾ by Dexter Prince .....(Daniels) 3 3
Time—:35½, 1:10½, 1:45 , 2:23½
:36¼, 1:11½, 1:46½, 2:22
:37 , 1:12½, 1:49 , 2:25

Distribution of purse—Albaloma $937.50, Esperanza $718.75, Kid Cupid $593.75, Association $250.

2:11 pace, purse $2,000:

Hal Boy, b g by Hal B. 2:04½—Altalena by Altamont 2:26¾ .....(McMahon) 1 1
Red Rock, ch g by Louis Wilkes 2:15½—Red Bird by E. S. 2:11¼.....(McGuire) 2 2
John Malcolm, br g by Dan Logan 2:07¾—Susie Miller by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½.....(Daniels) 4 3
Princess Patch, b m by Dan Patch 1:55¼—International Queen 2:13½ by Tom Exum 2:14½.....(Macey) 3 4
Soumise, b m by Billy Dunlap—Crickett Basler by Robert Basler .....(Leggett) ds
Pointer's Daughter, b m by Star Pointer 1:59¼—Banker's Daughter 2:13¾ by Arthur Wilkes 2:28½ .....(Finley) ds
Time—:34¼, 1:07 , 1:42 , 2:15¼
:34½, 1:09½, 1:44¾, 2:19
:33¼, 1:06 , 1:40 , 2:14½

Distribution of purse—Hal Boy $1,000, Red Rock $500, John Malcolm $275, Princess Patch $225.

200 WINNING RACES FOR GEORGE CASTLE.

When George Castle, the Chicago theater manager drove Dublin Lady 2:09½ to victory at the recent Beloit, Wis., meeting he was a sorry sight, as covered with mud, he "weighed in" and heard the judges proclaim his victory.

But Mr. Castle never noticed the mud decorations. On the contrary, he smiled a broad smile, for he had completed a score of 200 winning races, thereby placing himself at the head of all amateur drivers. All regular horse races, mind you, for purses—not a matinee performance in the lot—and they had been contested all over the land, some as far south as Georgia. The first victory was achieved at Waukegan, Ill., in 1892, and his mount was a big gray colt named Wooloomooloo, that later was picked up by a little tornado and dropped from such a height his neck was broken.

Since the Waukegan debut Mr. Castle has campaigned a stable of trotters and pacers every year. He trains them himself, for having a horse "fit" on race day is half the battle. When the season opens he is up and away, lighting wherever the purses are thickest. Mile tracks of the Grand Circuit type and country "bull rings" look alike to him.

The dangerous excitement of going around the turns of a halfmile track in the midst of a band of hoppled pacers, most of them driven by farmer boys, is water on the Castle wheels and, incidentally, he has paid out a small fortune every season for the last twenty-three years in pursuit of this joy. Of course, the 200 winning races and others in which smaller parts of the purses were secured helped to pay the bills, and now and then an assistant drove the horses. Since 1900 the Castle stable has won 312 races, been second 203 times, third 131 times, fourth 104 times and 171 times unplaced. Total starts, 921. Money won, $105,448.65.

Although horse racing is an expensive fad, Mr. Castle keeps just as strict account of the pastime as he does of his theaters, and his horses are his personal friends. A lot of them are pensioned, spending life's twilight in ease and luxury on a farm at Park Ridge, where they may easily be visited, and others are presented to men who will give them a good home for life.

Some of the string are: Gold Standard, trotter, 2:11¼, which won seventy-five races, making himself a champion in that respect, and was pensioned. One day another horse was turned into his pasture, whereupon Gold Standard attacked the newcomer but was beaten and so injured he had to be destroyed. William Mc was a 2:05¼ pacer He won sixty-two races, was presented to a Michigan man and died a little later.

The pacer Sherman Clay 2:05¾ won over fifty races after Castle bought him, and another good sidewheeler was Giles Noyes 2:05½. Rocker paced to a 2:11 mark and then was driven on the road by a woman. Dr. W. W. Z. 2:09¼ won thirteen races for Castle and then broke a shoulder playing in his stall. The vets said the injury was incurable, so Castle turned the horse out with other pensioners. Nature, however, effected the cure the vets said was impossible, and to show how good he was Dr. W. W. Z. went right on and won some more races, including a $5,000 purse at Indianapolis, the biggest one the Castle horses ever took down.

Miss Castle 2:09¼ was a very good pacer, won a string of races and then broke a hip bone and had to be killed. Among the other old timers are: Scapegoat 2:21 trotting, 2:11¼ pacing, a pupil of Ed

Geers, who did not like him and said, "That hoss has a face just like a convict." But Castle got along with the double gaited one and made him win. The trotters, Louis E. 2:15¼ on a halfmile track, and Dr. Price 2:16¼, are a pair Castle liked mighty well, and he bred the trotter, Marlinspike 2:15¼.

"Oh, yes," said Mr. Castle after he had given me these facts, "I'll be out again in the spring. Got some pretty fair horses, too. Tommy Finch 2:09¼, and that showed 2:06½ in a race, may start. Dublin Lady is good. Bessie Axtelle has been in 2:17¼ on a halfmile track. My three-year-old pacer Minnie N. 2:15¼ won seven races this year, and only one three-year-old beat her. Then I have a two-year-old pacer, The Aim, yearling record 2:18¼. He started five times against three-year-olds and was second or third four times. He's in all the futurities, and I'm going to send him South for wintering and let a high class trainer get him ready, because I certainly would love to win a futurity." C. K. G. Billings breeds trotters in a big way, but will not race a horse. He owns the fastest mare (Lou Dillon 1:58½), fastest gelding (Uhlan 1:58), and the fastest stallion (The Harvester 2:01), but sells all the foals from his farm as yearlings, driving only in matinees.—Chicago Racing Herald.

PACIFIC BREEDERS FUTURITY STAKE No. 15.

The following is a complete list of ninety-three third payments made on November 1st in Pacific Breeders Futurity Stake No. 15, for foals of 1915, as follows:

D. A. Allen's br c Leonid McKinney by Leonid, dam Almah McKinney by McKinney.
J. N. Anderson's foal by Peter the Great, dam Della Derby by Chas. Derby.
C. A. Arvedson's foal by Prince Ansel, dam Constancia by McKinney; foal by McAntara, dam Colusa Maid by Sutter.
E. T. Barnette's foal by Carlokin, dam Zephyr by Zombro; foal by Copa de Oro, dam Phyllis Barnette by The Director General.
C. J. Berry's foal by Carlokin, dam De Ora by Copa de Oro.
I. L. Borden's foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Ramona by Prince Robert; foal by Major's By Guy, dam C. D. K.; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Miss Nutwood by Nutwood Wilkes; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Miss Barney by Barney Barnato; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Ella G. by Hamb. Wilkes; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Cleopatra by Zolock; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Directola by Direct; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Maude Adams by Cresco Wilkes; foal by Ed. McKinney, dam Dolly B. by Welcome.
Robt. S. Brown's foal by Allen Jay, dam Mercedes by Dictatus.
J. J. Campbell's foal by Bon Cres, dam Silver Fir by Silver Bow.
S. Christenson's br c King Albert by The Bondsman, dam Reina Directum by Rey Direct.
John N. Colomb's b f Verna McKinney by Vernon McKinney, dam Mary Gordon by Gordon.
Chas. Cook's b f Goldie McGregor by Onward McGregor, dam Gypsy C. by Nutwood Wilkes.
S. H. Cowell's foal by Panama, dam Harvest Queen by Silver Arrow; foal by Panama, dam Zaza by Henry Nutwood.
Chas. L. DeRyder's foal by Joe Patchen II., dam Arawanna B. by Sidney Dillon.
Wm. C. DeRyder's b f by General Watts, dam Miss Douglas by Cochato.
Wm. E. Detels' foal by Geo. N. Patterson, dam Daphne McKinney by McKinney.
Dr. Wm. Dodge's b. c. Bon Rex by Bon McKinney, dam Johanna R. by Limonero.
Jas. F. Dunne's bl f by Tom Smith, dam Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy; b f by General Watts, dam Native Bidwell by The Native.
V. K. Dunne's ch c The General Bond by General Watts, dam Bourbon Bond by The Bondsman.
W. G. Durfee's foal by Copa de Oro, dam Christianita by Zolock; b f by Carlokin, dam My Irene S. by Petigru; b f by Copa de Oro, dam Dixie W. by Zolock; foal by Carlokin, dam Honey Healey by Zombro.
Byron Erkenbrecher's foal by Copa de Oro, dam Reta H. by McKinney.
E. A. Gammon's b c The Meteor by Peter McKlyo, dam Cleo Dillon by Sidney Dillon.
Alex Grant's foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Sona by McKinney.
Hemet Stock Farm's foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Eradiate by Geo. W. McKinney; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Fiesta Queen by On Stanley; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Hemet Girl by Geo. W. McKinney; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Nealy W. by Geo. W. McKinney; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Stambia by Stam B.; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Lady Zombro by Zombro; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Little Louise A. by Boodle; foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Rosemary Lou by Kinney Lou; foal by Kinney de Lopez, dam Louise Carter by Chestnut Tom.
H. A. Hershey's b f Skye Ball by Jim Logan, dam by Falrose.
H. S. Hogoboom's ch f Beautiful Baby by Palo King, dam Beautiful Morn by Iran Alto; b c Bingen the Great by Robert Bingen, dam Beautiful Bird by Nutwood Wilkes.
Craig Hyde's foal by Jim Logan, dam by Demonio.
Abe W. Johnson's b c W. K. J. by Directum Penn, dam Belle Raymon by Raymon; br f by Directum Penn, dam Anna Elton by Elton.
Ed. Lavin's b c by George Hammett, dam Stella McKinney by Ed. McKinney.
Wm. Loftus' foal by Copa de Oro, dam Leonor McKay by McKinney; foal by Copa de Oro, dam Annabelle L. by Hamb. Wilkes; foal by Carlokin, dam Iran Belle by Iran Alto.
R. J. MacKenzie's foal by Zomblack, dam Martha Spy by The Spy; foal by Joe Patchen II., dam Merry Widow by Red Pac; foal by Joe Patchen II., dam Zombro Belle by Zombro; foal by Quintell, dam Eugenia B. by Zombro; foal by Joe Patchen II., dam Hawthorne by McKinney; foal by Quintell, dam Ava J. by Zombro; foal by Quintell, dam Greggie by Steinway; foal by Quintell, dam Madalca by Alcymont; foal by Vernon McKinney, dam by Carlokin.
Carey Montgomery's b c Tennessee Bill by Jim Logan, dam Lela H. L. by Nutwood Wilkes.
A. L. Nichols' foal by Robert Bingen, dam Silver Benton by Senator Boggs.
J. W. Pendleton's bl c Bertrey Bells by Derbertha Bells, dam Abbie McNutward by Guy McKinney; bl c Louiska Berbells by Rapallo, dam Beautiful Bertha by Moormont.
W. L. Scott's foal by Wilbur Lou, dam Lady Lou by Stanton Wilkes.
J. E. Short's foal by Skido Wilkes, dam Keno by Prismo; foal by Skido Wilkes, dam Honda Girl by Rubino.
Mrs. Jas. Stewart's b f Lady Eleanor by Copa de Oro, dam Easter D. by Diablo.
C. F. M. Stone's foal by Carlokin, dam Cora Jane by Del Coronado.
L. H. Todhunter's foal by Peter McKlyo, dam Zombowyette by Zombro; foal by Peter McKlyo, dam Osmuda by Bon Voyage.
Woodland Stock Farm's foal by Prince Ansel, dam Ila Moko by Moko; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Eocita by Moko; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Edna Saunders by Axworthy; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Alma McGregor by Jay McGregor; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Ella J. by Bob Mason; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Aleema by Nutwood Wilkes; b c by Prince Ansel, dam Mista Lockheart by Lockheart; foal by Prince Ansel, dam Silver Haw by Silver Bow; foal by Robert Bingen, dam Ruby Crellin by C. The Limit; foal by Robert Bingen, dam Nutflower by Nutwood Wilkes; foal by Robert Bingen, dam Fair Recluse by Moko; foal by Robert Bingen, dam Centerguy by McKinney; foal by Robert Bingen, dam Caritone by Antone; foal by True Kinney, dam The Attraction by Peter the Great; foal by True Kinney, dam Josie D. by Nutwood Wilkes.
M. L. Woy's br c Strathalie Hall by Black Hall, dam Strathalie by Strathway.
O. H. Wright's bl c Jake Mosier by Reflector, dam Rosie Wilkes by Falrose.

ARIZONA STATE FAIR.

The Arizona State Fair, which commences Monday, is experiencing considerable difficulties with its speed program, owing to various circumstances. The "foreign classes" in some instances failed to fill, and for those few remaining to be raced horsemen hardly think the long ship worth while. A number of horses entered have gone wrong, leaving the fields light, but the classes for Arizona horses have generous entry lists and promise good sport. Secretary Shaughnessy has wired to local parties guaranteeing the regular "Phoenix treatment" for all comers, as well as special purses up to the limit of his appropriation, but at the time we go to press the result is still in doubt. Whatever the outcome we will risk a prophecy that next season Mr. Shaughnessy has an appropriation that will enable him to prepare a program that will attract the west's best horses, as usual.

IOWA HORSES FOR THE WAR.

Wide fame has been achieved by Iowa's capital city as a war horse market in recent months. At the present time more than $1,000,000 is being paid out each month for horses purchased for use in the armies of the allies. This will represent a tidy sum of about $18,000,000 which Iowa horse breeders and dealers will receive. From present indications there is no sign of an early letup in the heavy demand for horses. In fact, it is believed that the demand for Iowa horses will continue for some months after the close of the war, because of the great number which have been lost in war service.

Horses are being brought to Des Moines at the rate of 1,500 a week. Large barns and corrals have been built in the southwest section of the city to care for them. The greater part of the buying is being done by Joe Nugent of St. Louis, who has large contracts with the English government. However, horses are being bought at these stables for the use of the French, Italian and Belgian governments, the British agents taking the pick of the lot.

Since the war began it is believed that more than 100,000 Iowa horses have been purchased by the governments at war. The Hawkeye State has been one of the heaviest contributors of horseflesh to the foreign armies, and will continue to be for some time to come, as Nugent and his corps of assistants are buying heavily.

The effect this tremendous business has had upon the horse business in Iowa is indicated by the jump which prices have taken in the last year. Horses which were disposed of at prices ranging from $80 to $100 before the opening of the war are bringing as high as $180, which is about the top price the English are paying for the select gunners—animals intended for the artillery service.

The prices paid by the English agents range from $165 to $180, while the French pay from $150 to $175. The prices paid by the Italians are even lower, ranging from $145 to $165. Belgium and England are buying heavily of gunners just now, while Italy is taking many four-year-olds and draft horses.

The local war business has been handled without the loss of a single animal from death, which is considered a remarkable record. The death rate in other buying centers in the west is reported to be heavy in some cases, averaging as high as 25 head per 1,000 horses handled.

As rapidly as the horses are inspected and approved they are turned over to the blacksmiths and branders. Each horse is branded for the government purchaser and its tail and mane are trimmed. It is turned over to the blacksmith shop, where its feet are properly cared for. A great deal of attention is given this feature of the work, and the result is that a small army of workers is kept busy five or six days a week. Western cowboys have been brought in to handle the horses and to ride them during the inspection. On busy days the concentration camp takes on the appearance of a huge wild west show, several hundred horses having been turned into the corrals to await inspection.

Des Moines is one of the two great horse-buying camps where there are four government inspections. Oklahoma City, where horses from the southwest territory are taken, is said to be carrying on a business almost as large as that in Des Moines, and each week these two camps send coastward nearly 3,000 horses destined for European war service.—Breeders' Gazette.

LOW PRICES RULE AT SALE.

Quite a good crowd gathered Wednesday evening at the Riding and Driving School, the occasion being Chas. L. DeRyder's annual fall sale of trotting horses, but if an old Enfield rifle loaded with birdshot had been turned loose on the assemblage at a fair range no "buyer" would have been injured. There were plenty of people on hand who were interested in the offerings, but folks who right down in their hearts wanted to buy a horse were scarcer than hensteeth around Petaluma. There were individuals given away that should have brought from three to ten times the price they did bring, the situation being summed up in six words: "No fairs, no racing, no breeding." There were stallions and mares fit for any country, young things bred to be fast and game, a few head ready to train for next year's races, but—they are all practically worthless in a section where there is no racing. Will Higginbottom, with all his resources, had a hard evening of it, but secured the last cent the crowd would go on each animal.

The sale was topped at $275 by a four-year-old Star Pointer gelding out of Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon, A. W. Longley being the purchaser. Washington McKinney Jr., a fine looking stallion with proven speed, was knocked down at $260 and was subsequently bought back by his consignor, F. E. Emlay. Not a horse brought anywhere near its real value, in many instances the high bid being less by far than the figures previously refused at private offer. All the consignors were sufferers, Charley DeRyder and Hi Hogoboom being the worst off. The figures are published herewith, accompanied by the suggestion that you take to heart the lesson they teach, and be ready to do your share when proposed concerted action is taken by horsemen to improve the local situation:

El Volante S. (5), b h by El Volante, V. K. Dunne	$220.00
Bay Filly (3) by Zombro, Mr. Townsend	150.00
Brown Filly (2) by The Bondsman, S. C. B. King	65.00
Blanka S. (5), ch m by Red McK., Sam Broillar	100.00
Katherine S. (11), ch m by Diablo, Cornett Bros	60.00
Rosemary, ch m by Raymon, H. Cohen	50.00
Dr. Dawson (7), b g by Del Coronado, E. T. Ayres	130.00
Black Mare (5), s.t.b. by Oh So, Cornett Bros	60.00
Yearling, bl g by Directly, M. C. Delano	50.00
Weanling by Vernon McKinney, T. D. Sexton	45.00
Valeen M. (5), b f by Bonaday, Frank Burton	140.00
Filagree (14), ch m by Beau B., H. Cohen	72.50
Bay Horse (3) by Copa de Oro, Joe Ryan	80.00
Bay Gelding (4) by Star Pointer, A. W. Longley	275.00
Prince Del Monte (9), ch g by Kinney Lou, Jas. Dunne	130.00
Leola Lou (9), gr m by Kinney Lou, Fred Ward	115.00
Crabtree's Gift (6), ch m by Hedgewood Boy, Fred Ward	170.00
Washington McKinney Jr. (7), bl h by Wash. McKinney, Joe Ryan	260.00
Palo King (13), b h by Marengo King, H. B. Calmes	65.00
High Head (3), ch g by Palo King, H. Cohen	77.50
Sun Up (2), b g by Palo King, Joe Ryan	40.00
Beautiful Bird (12), b m by Nutwood Wilkes, Elmo Montgomery	85.00
Woodland King (3), b c by Palo King, Millerick Bros.	75.00
Beautiful Morn (7), b m by Iran Alto, J. H. Nelson	70.00
Beautiful Girl (4), ch m by Iran Alto, Joe Ryan	80.00
Little Express (3), b f by Alto Express, Joe Carson	145.00
Marlin (4), b g by Dialect, Joe Carson	145.00
Bey Gelding (2) by The Bondsman, Joe Ryan	45.00
Roan Mare (6) by San Francisco, P. S. Indart	112.50
Johnny (5), br g, saddle horse, W. G. Durfee	85.00
McGregor Bond (2), b g by The Bondsman, Joe Ryan	37.50
Brown Filly (2) by The Bondsman, P. S. Indart	75.00
Wireless, bl g, Cornett Bros	70.00
Lottie D. (4), b m by Charley D., P. S. Vaughn	100.00
Prince McKinney (12), b h by McKinney, Jas. Dunne	85.00
Baby Gommet (4), b m by Prince McKinney, Al Schwartz	100.00
Irving Pointer (8), b h by Star Pointer, Sam Wisgard	52.50
Phylip Pointer (3), b g by Irving Pointer, Millerick Bros.	55.00
Rey Alto (5), ch g by Iran Alto, Bert Edwards	140.00
May Alto (6), b m by Iran Alto, Cornett Bros	60.00

SOME TIMELY COMMENTS.

I have been reading the melancholy reports of the financial outcome of the 1915 baseball season, and cannot help but contrast it with the splendid season that harness racing has enjoyed. They call it one of the toughest years that baseball has ever experienced. Many of the smaller, or so-called "bush" leagues were broken up before mid-season, and even the major leagues have had hard sledding—and this with a sport that receives millions of dollars' worth of free advertising! Not only that—but in season and out of season it gets the backing and boosting of a host of inspired press agents and the unlimited favor of innumerable sporting editors and space writers.

I quote from an article written by a baseball scribe of prominence, and take it that he knows the facts:

"The Phillies (Nationals) won the pennant in their league, but their profits during the whole regular playing season did not reach $25,000."

Why, the North Randall meeting alone made more money than that, and it occupied but a single week—or rather, but five days!

"The Brooklyns," the writer pursues, "made money for the first time in many years, their profits being about $20,000. The Giants made but $15,000, mostly at home, for they lost money on the road. The Pirates (Pittsburghs) did well till mid-season, but ended up by losing a lot of money. The Cincinnati Reds lost $25,000; the St. Louis Cardinals between $25,000 and $40,000; the Chicago Cubs are said to be behind something like $25,000.

"The world's champions, the Boston Red Sox, cleared about $60,000, but this is not an adequate showing for a world's pennant-winning team. The Detroit club drew well and its profits were about $50,000, while the Chicago White Sox made $25,000, but fell behind on the season on account of spending $40,000 for new players. The Senators (Washington) lost $25,000 while the Browns (St. Louis) dropped from $35,000 to $50,000. The Yankees (New York) lost about $60,000, while the debit of the Athletics was around $50,000."

Now, these figures tell a sadly significant tale. It is one which does not, under the circumstances, show up well for baseball as a sport.

Let us assume that harness racing had received just one-tenth the boosting that baseball was favored with—you can easily imagine the outcome!

As it was, we did very well, thank you, especially in view of the fact that our sport is conducted sans specific, intelligible rules—such controlling bodies as we have being merely collecting agencies, that's all.

I traveled more widely the past season than ever before, deserting the Grand Circuit at Detroit in order to visit the Great Western and, later on, various halfmile track meetings, and I can conscientiously say that I never previously saw better attendances. In fact, with only two exceptions, the meetings that I covered were record-breakers from an attendance standpoint.

I am more than ever convinced that the American people have a true and ardent love for our sport as evidenced by the patronage we have received during the past three lean years of general business conditions. While the figures are not at hand, I judge that there was more harness racing in 1915 than there was in 1914, and that season was certainly a "whale." The number of tracks and associations that went out of business was very small, and was more than counterbalanced by the number of new meetings that were held, many of them, too, having newly constructed plants.

In my travels I met many secretaries and horsemen, and made it my business to inquire from them as to the attendance at the meetings which they either managed or visited, and the one observation covered it all: "Good crowds and lots of interest."

Then, too, it seemed to me that I never saw such large fields of horses. My co-worker, Grover Perrigo, was asked as to this feature, since he has general editorship of all the racing summaries that come into The Review office, and he replied: "I should say that there were many more horses racing. It seems to me that each race contains 30 to 50 per cent more horses than was the case a couple of years ago; and another feature that goes to prove the large number that are being raced is the way the fields have held up in the late fall when so many fairs are held."

I asked him, too, what he attributed as the cause of the increased number of horses, and he answered: "A general revival of interest, especially in the cases of the smaller meetings; but I believe that the liberality of the rules, which permit horses to race under time allowance clauses, and do not outclass them right away, did a lot to bring out the big fields."

Incidentally, "Perry" referred to his old home town, Oshkosh, Wis., when I called his attention to the slump in baseball.

"Oshkosh, during the seasons of 1912-'13-'14, had the pennant-winning team in the Wisconsin-Illinois League; but, in spite of the hurrah that went with a champion team, they lost so much money in 1914 that they could not even organize for this season. The park was rented for Sunday games, played by traveling "semi-pro" teams, but while the rental was only $25, they couldn't make it pay. But the fair held there drew the largest crowds that ever passed through the gates, showing that racing had added to its popularity, whereas baseball had lost favor." Continuing, he said: "Quite a number of the fair meetings added spring or early summer meetings in 1915, and all were successful."

There are some discouraging things about this business of ours, but so long as the general public shows a disposition to patronize it, we need not worry much about the future. It's the money that is paid at the gate to see the show that counts, and I believe that the time will come when associations can reduce entry fees to a minimum. In many sections of the country they have been materially lowered, and I know a number of places where non-money winners are not taxed at all for entrance.

But—if we could race without paying any entrance what a grand thing it would be!

Very often I hear it said that we are not attracting to the business the younger element, and that when the present veteran enthusiasts have passed away, interest will wane. Well, there is something in that claim; but not nearly so much as one unfamiliar with the conditions would think. It's true that the general use of automobiles has tended to divorce interest such as was inspired when Father drove good horses and Son followed his lead; but it's my belief that Son will ere long learn to regard his auto as only a convenient means of transport and not a sporting tool. Then, do not forget that horse love was not built up on one or two generations of ancestors. It traces back through many generations not only, but thousands of years, and cannot be wiped out or bred out in a short period. I have noted and others have told me of numerous men who bought horses just because they got into the habit of attending fairs in their autos. The sport attracted them, they became fond of it, and merely watching the racing was not enough to satisfy them. They are flocking to the races by the thousands, these automobilists, and it very easy to figure that plenty of them are going to be more than just sightseers.

The thing for us to do is to make our racing and its environment much more attractive—in other words, stage it like it should be, and pay more attention to beautifying our plants. The little expense incurred for paint and whitewash, for flower beds and lawns, would bring direct and indirect returns—splendid ones. Sometimes when I visit a dowdy, ill-kept track, where the racing is conducted in keeping with the surroundings, I wonder how it is possible to get anyone to come to see the show. What a wonderful sport it is!—to survive all its drawbacks and yet thrive! Just kick baseball around like our game has been booted, or cut down the free boosting that it receives, and where would it land?—Marque, in the Horse Review.

HORSE MARKET STRONGER.

The rapidly improving situation in the iron and steel trade, and in manufactures in general, has already been responsible for a marked improvement in the demand and prices for heavy horses. Good sound geldings, weighing over 1700 pounds, have averaged around $300 per head recently, even in lots numbering from six to ten head, and demand for the good ones is steadily increasing, writes Secretary Wayne Dinsmore of the Percheron Society of America.

Well informed market men estimate, from a knowledge of horses already exported, that approximately half a million horses have already been sold on war orders. The value of these is close to one hundred million dollars, and the demand seems greater than ever. Buyers are scouring the country in every conceivable district, in the United States, and even in northwest Canada. Every effort is being made to buy as cheaply as possible, but artillery horses promise to cost more before the war is over. Fully ninety per cent of the artillery horses are sired by draft stallions, out of small mares, and the demand for draft stallions is gaining in consequence, especially on the western ranges. Ranchmen have been able to obtain much higher prices there for their grade drafters, than for any of their light horses, and the lesson has been driven home in dollars and cents.

All breeds of draft horses in Europe have been heavily drawn on for war purposes, and the Belgian breed has been practically destroyed. Percherons have also suffered, for the need for horses on guns and transports has been so great that virtually all available horses have been taken by the army. M. Miteau, foreman for one of the America's importers, who is a very reliable observer, traveled all through the Perche district in July and August of this year, and reports that all horses three years old or over, except the most valuable stud stallions or mares nursing foals, have been commandeered, and that it would not be possible to find two hundred stallions suitable for export to America, even if exportation were allowed. This drives home, most forcefully, the fact that American horsemen must depend on the produce of American studs for draft sires, for many years to come. Exports to foreign countries will unquestionably occur before we have any more importations.

American bred horses have been brought forward this year as never before, exceeding in type and size those of previous years.

The champion mare at the Iowa State Fair, and the Grand Champion mare and Reserve Grand Champion stallion, at the Panama-Pacific Exposition, were all American bred, and came from three separate studs, located in Illinois, Iowa and Virginia respectively—again bearing testimony to the wide distribution of good Percherons in the United States..

More than seven thousand American bred Percherons have already been recorded by the Percheron Society of America, and the fiscal year is not yet closed. Transfers show an increasing activity in the sale of Percherons in all sections, especially in yearling and two-year-old stallions.

The most important development in the past eight months has been seen in the marked preference given to colts that have been so liberally fed as to permit of full development. Such colts have sold readily at prices that have left a handsome profit to the breeder. Half starved or stunted colts have met with slow sale and at low prices.

It is to be regretted that so few breeders feed their weanling, yearling and two-year-old Percherons enough of the right kind of feed. Many believe they feed enough, when as a matter of fact they are not furnishing half what the colts ought to have.

The horses already referred to as winners of championships in our largest shows, against the best of imported horses, never knew what it was to be hungry from the time they were foaled. Oats, bran, bluegrass pasture and alfalfa hay furnished most of the ration, and the colts had all they would eat clean.

Percheron breeders in America have the best of Percheron blood, and an opportunity never dreamed of. Those who meet it adequately will reap both fame and fortune.

GLANDERS NEAR HOLLISTER.

The Hollister Free Lance says that seven horses, tested within recent weeks by Dr. G. W. Lawson, county veterinarian, and proven to be infected with glanders, were shot Saturday in the Panoche district by Dr. J. Iverson, deputy state veterinarian. Six belonged to Strohn brothers and one to James Hannagan.

Twenty-one horses have been destroyed by the authorities in this county since May 1 because of the glanders. Of these, eleven belonged to the Hudner estate in the Bolsa district, eight to Strohn brothers of Panoche one to James Hannagan of Panoche and one to P. T. Brown, whose ranch is near the Cannon grade between Emmet and Llanada.

Dr. Lawson states that he believes that the disease has now been reduced to a point where it will soon be eradicated. Two suspicious cases are now under observation. The doctor has covered all suspected territory thoroughly and made all possible investigation and he thinks that when he has finished these two cases the work of stamping out the disease will be about completed.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

BEFORE THE MUIR TRAIL.

[Continued from last week.]

Over Muir Pass.—But to return to the trip. As we approached the critical Muir pass, over the Goddard divide, on which the success or failure of the trip apparently depended, we heard various reports from such mountain people as we met. These reports were unanimous in only one thing, and that was that the pass was impossible. We resolved, nevertheless, to undertake it, and in order to have the entire day, if necessary, for the attempt, we moved up the night before to Wanda lake at the head of Evolution creek, just at the base of the final pass. There are two lakes on the two sides of Muir pass, named Wanda and Helen, for Mr. Muir's two daughters. The way up to Muir pass from the South fork of the San Joaquin on Evolution creek had not been very difficult, even before there was a trail, and the forest service is now building an extremely good trail on that side—the only actual section of what is finally to be the Muir trail which we found. The difficult parts, both of Muir pass at the north end of Grouse valley and of Observation pass at the other extreme, are on the Grouse valley side. We therefore reached Lake Wanda, which is 11,500 feet high, and far above the tree line, without difficulty. There was enough "short hair" grass about the lake to furnish scant feed for our animals and we packed up from a lower lake enough firewood for cooking, omitting the usual camp fire. It was of course bitterly cold, and we were compelled to crawl into our blankets for the night almost immediately after sunset. The scenery, however, was of a wild magnificence that would more than compensate for the effort and discomfort, even if there had been nothing else to accomplish by it.

Early the next morning we hurried out from our frost-covered blankets, made our usual morning toilet by pulling on our boots and pulling off our sweaters, and started for the pass. The way to the top was without incident, and the way down on the other side as far as Lake Helen was not difficult enough to deter any one accustomed to mountain work in rough country without trails. Here, however, our difficuleies began. In LeConte's description of his trip, he speaks with especial vividness of the portion of it in which he was compelled to go down the bed of the stream, the banks on both sides being impassable.

Apparently we made a smaller portion of our trip in the actual stream than LeConte did, and this portion, except for the incidental wetting, was about the easiest going we had. Soon after leaving the lake we came to a steep slope of snow leading down to the stream. By rolling smaller stones among the big boulders on the other side we made what we thought was a passable way for the animals over the rock talus. The snow, however, proved too steep and the animals landed at another point higher up the stream, from which it required more trail building and much risk of broken legs to get them to the point which we had prepared for them. From here on we found a few monuments left by Le Conte, and remnants of some of their trail work in the way of rolling small stones among the larger ones. The rock talus, however, is so shifting that we found even these traces interrupted at many points by huge rock slides, which presented no foothold except a chaos of tumbled angular rocks ranging in magnitude from the size of a man's head to the size of a small house. Ronald Harris, as the most rapid walker, went ahead to prospect and mark a trail, while the rest of us stayed behind to build trail and help the animals. At one point an apparently easy way to the left by a small lake was blocked at the end by an impassable cliff. The other way, on which we found some traces of Le Conte's former trip, led down a steep chimney of loose rock, on which the animals found a precarious foothold, and then across a long sloping talus of broken rock, down which we made our way as best we could. We built as much trail as was necessary and marked the route so that any others who may attempt the pass before the permanent trail is built will find their task much easier than ours was. However, down this slope the constant rock slides are likely to make it difficult to maintain any trail in a permanent condition. We built a trail, such as it was, half way across one of these rock slides, and then managed to scramble the animals by main strength across the rest without a trail. Finally, at noon we reached a small lake at the bottom of a steep slope perhaps 2,000 feet lower than the summit of the pass, and here we ate a hasty but sustaining lunch of raw dried beef, uncooked dried peaches, hardtack, cold bacon and chocolate.

From here on the bed of the stream went down in frequent waterfalls and both banks were impassable to the animals. It was necessary, therefore, to climb high up the slope on one side or the other. As nearly as we could judge, Le Conte had taken the right side of the stream, but we could not find our way up it, and Ronald had monumented a way on the left side. We followed his marks until we were misled by what looked like blazes on some trees, but were probably made by porcupines or by flying rocks, to a point where there was apparently no going farther in any direction. We scouted in all directions, and finally just as one of the party had about made out Le Conte's route across the stream, another picked up Ronald's monuments high above us on the slope just at the base of the cliff at its summit. There seemed no way to these monuments except straight up, and straight up we went over slippery rocks, escaping serious accident largely by sheer good luck. The monumented route went across the sloping rocks to the top of another steep chimney of soft disintegrated granite, so steep that no animal could obtain standing hold upon it. The animals did manage, however, to keep a sort of slipping hold, or what might almost be called a steerage way, and thus steered themselves down to better footing on the rough rocks at the bottom.

We did not then realize it, but this was the end of our difficulties. The rest of the way, to be sure, was no park boulevard. There was no trail and part of the way the only thoroughfare was the bed of the stream, into which we and the animals plunged. There was thick underbrush on both sides and many intervals of rough piles of rock. Sometimes in the stream, sometimes on one side of it, and sometimes on the other, sometimes in the underbrush and at other times on the rocks, we made our way down constantly lessening slopes and into constantly opener country, until we finally reached Little Pete meadows, at which Le Conte had camped on his memorable pioneer trip. Above this point we saw no indications that any parties, except those of whom we already knew, had ever made their way over the pass, and we saw no indications of former life except traces of the old camps of the sheep men and cattle men who had come up in the other direction from the Mono country in former years. Even these faint traces of former visits, however, included the two inevitable footprints of civilization—beer and sardines. At one point where apparently no one had been since the early sheep days I found the neck of what had once been a beer bottle, and farther down I found the rusted remnants of what had once been a sardine can. It is one of the curious phenomena of the wilderness that the products of civilization which reach farthest into the unknown are Milwaukee beer and Italian sardines.

We had made better time than our predecessors and were still fresh, so we determined to push on to the final camp at Grouse meadows. At this point, at the foot of Dusy creek, the Bishop trail from the Mono country gets in, and there were no further difficulties except a certain number of additional miles to walk. There were more traces of life. One other party had preceded us this year—in fact we saw them just going over the Bishop trail—and it seems likely that Le Conte's estimate made seven years ago of one party of visitors in three years must now be increased to perhaps one party a year.

Arriving at Grouse meadows, we found that a huge avalanche had wiped out the place where we intended to camp, uprooted great trees, throwing them bodily across the stream, and left the whole place a chaos from tree trunks and rocks. So we moved on further to the camping place just vacated by our predecessors, on the banks of a little stream lined with columbines, larkspurs, golden rod, and coreopsis. The gentleness of the scene was a refreshing contrast to what we had just been through. We found we had traveled 15 miles horizontally and 4,000 feet vertically, over some of the roughest country in all the mountains, but a certain sense of triumph in having accomplished what had rarely been done before, and what we had been told was impossible, wiped out all sense of fatigue. In fact, by this time hard work and outdoor life had brought us all into a physical condition in which mere physical weariness was an unknown quantity. The only extra strain of a day like this was the nervous tension which came from a constant sense of danger to the animals, and this was of course relieved by our final success in bringing them through safely.

Grouse Valley.—The next day we rested in Grouse valley. One of the party climbed the side of the canyon and shot a deer, which provided us with fresh meat for the remainder of the trip. Others fished for golden trout in the meadow with a success that was actually embarrassing. The main problem was not to catch fish, but to avoid catching those which were not wanted. Clayton Chandler caught the prize fish of the whole trip in this valley. It was a magnificent golden trout of pure blood, over sixteen inches long. The fish in this portion of the middle fork of Kings river are the result of one of the errors made in the early days of planting golden trout. Both golden trout and rainbow trout were planted in the river, and they have since cross-bred. There are pure golden trout, pure rainbow trout and many hybrids in the stream. The golden trout here, as elsewhere, we found the more difficult to induce to take the flies, but much more game when once hooked.

Little known as it is, Grouse valley is the gem of all the high mountain valleys. Its only possible rival is the canyon of the Upper Kern, in the Whitney region. It is a very high valley, over 8,000 feet altitude at its lowest point, and is surrounded on all sides by precipitous granite walls. On the west side are six peaks in a row, any one of which would be wonderful anywhere, that in this region have not yet been even named. Running into the valley are the high canyons of Dusy creek and of Palisade creek, both of great wildness and beauty, and both showing from their upper portions magnificent panoramas of the chaotic masses of peaks of the Goddard region farther west. Curiously enough, this apparently remote region is in actual distance very close to an easily accessible region. It is only a few miles directly down the middle fork of the Kings river to Simpson's Meadows, on the lower part of the same fork, and a good trail is now being built by Fresno county and by the Forest Service up the river. The trail is, however, not yet complete and, inasmuch as most of it has to be blasted out of solid rock, this portion of the river is entirely impassable for pack animals until the trail is built. By sufficiently hard work it is just possible for a man on foot to go through.

Next Pass Impassable.—We were now at the end of all the Muir trail route, except the Kings river canyon portion of it, which all of us had already visited, and it would be impossible to follow the direct trail down the river until that is completed. We intended, however, to follow the Le Conte route up the Palisade and Cataract creeks, over Observation pass, and down Cartridge creek and Bubbs creek to the Kings river canyon country. Muir pass, which we had just finished, had been passed only a few times before, and never with a pack train of the size of ours, while Observation pass had been conquered at least a dozen times to our knowledge, twice by members of our own party. So we started out with considerable confidence in our ability to finish the trip as originally planned. We made a short trip the first day up Palisade creek to the mouth of Cataract creek and the next morning took the animals up to a high lake on Cataract creek just below Observation pass. Even up to this point it required some rough work, and some trail building, to get the animals up, but both we and they were used to rough country by this time. As soon as the animals were unpacked we started out to spend the rest of the day prospecting a way up. Until noon we had surprisingly good luck. The snow, which must be counted on to bridge the hardest places in all these high passes, had, to be sure, melted very low, but there was only one place which had thereby been rendered impassable and we found two ways of getting around that place, one by building a trail around it over the loose rock and the other by snubbing the animals up about twenty feet on the face of a cliff with crevasses into which we could have wedged stones for some sort of a partial foothold. Beyond that we scouted out a route by which, with not more than a few hours of trail building, it would be possible to bring the animals up to the foot of the final talus. But here we were confronted by a situation which made Harris, who had already been over the pass twice, wonder whether geological ages had not elapsed since his last visit. A great rock slide had entirely changed the face of the slope and made it many times higher and deeper, while at the bottom the snow slides of a temporary glacier had piled up a real moraine. Where on his former visit he had had to build about 100 feet of trail, we would have at least 1000 feet to build. We did not give way for this, however, but worked a way up the long, rough talus, which we concluded with hard enough work might be made at least not quite impossible, to the snow at the top. Here we found the greatest transformation of all. Where in former years had been a great slope of snow at least 200 feet deep, the snow was now confined to steep, narrow gorges, with an impassable talus of great rocks between. Water was running under this snow, making of it a precarious snow bridge through which we ourselves fell at one place and through which it was evident the animals would fall at more places. At the top was a long slope too steep for either men or animals to find a foothold, except by cutting steps, and too soft for the steps to be safe footholds for the animals. This slope was closed at the very top by a vertical wall of ice, through which Fred, the packer, proposed that we might cut a trench, until it was discovered that the ice wall was backed up by a core of solid granite. We held a council of war on the snow and unanimously decided that it would be foolhardy to risk animals up such a passageway. Our packer was of the opinion that with sufficient hard work there was a bare possibility of getting part of them over alive, but it was certain that part of them, and possibly all of them, would be killed in the attempt. So we reluctantly started on the return climb to camp.

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Who Got Him?—James Parkington has shipped to California, on the St. Louis, which sailed on Saturday, September 11, a topping 12-months Airedale dog, by name Postmaster. Claiming as his sire Ch. Rebound Oorang. Apart from his value as a show specimen, he should prove a valuable asset to the breed on the west coast of America.—Our Dogs.

SYMPTOMS OF DISTEMPER.

In an ordinary attack of distemper, probably the first symptoms noticed by the general observer would be a slight dullness, together with loss of appetite and a gummy appearance of the edges of the eyelids. At this stage there is seldom a discharge from the eyes. The eye is sensitive to light, the nose is often dry, and the inside edges of the nostrils show a gummy appearance without any actual discharge. The upper, large molar teeth become furred with a dirty brown substance which, unlike tartar, can be easily removed with the finger nail. The gums and insides of the cheeks are often inflamed. A soft, short, husky cough may be heard. In young puppies, pustules may be noticed on the abdomen and inside the thighs; they seldom show themselves in adult animals. The temperature, if taken in the first stages of the disease, is usually two or three degrees above normal (viz.: 101 degrees Fahr. taken per rectum). It is common to find a temperature of 103 or 104 degrees for the first forty-eight or fifty-six hours, falling after this to normal or only showing from one-half to one degree above normal, remaining in this condition for perhaps two or three days. When past the initial stage the more pronounced symptoms make their appearance according to the form which the disease assumes.

When the eye symptoms develop, which is not always the case, a thin, watery discharge is often noticed in addition to the gummy appearance of the edges of the eyelids. There is an increased sensitiveness to light, and the conjunctiva becomes increasingly inflamed, as does the mucous membrane lining the eyelids. The discharge alters in character, first becoming creamlike in color and consistence, then getting slightly darker in color and of a very sticky nature, causing the eyelids to adhere to each other. At this stage the cornea will show a roughened surface (due to the presence of the pus and mucoid matter) which often becomes ulcerated; these ulcers may or may not perforate the corneal layer.

There is generally no appetite; and the animal is dull and sits on its haunches owing to the difficulty of breathing when lying down. If not arrested at this stage, pleurisy may follow, fluid forminng in one or both sides of the chest cavity, and death may follow from consolidation of the lungs.

The mouth is inflamed, the tongue being white and pasty or a dirty brown color, and the molar teeth show a dirty brown fur which, unlike tartar on the teeth, can easily be removed with the fingernail. A puppy having distemper during dentition and immediately before the permanent teeth are through nearly always shows a loss of enamel, in patches, on the second teeth, leaving the brown dentine exposed. This loss of enamel is the only proof, in later life, of a dog having had the disease. The gums also show special lesions in addition to their swollen and inflamed condition. They often bleed freely, and if not kept scrupulously clean, will ulcerate and even slough away in large patches, leaving the roots of the teeth and parts of the jaw bones exposed. This condition renders eating very painful, and may cause the patient to refuse food. There is also a discharge of slimy matter from the mouth. Foul breath is present, owing to the condition of the mouth and stomach. Sickness arises in some cases, food being vomited almost as soon as administered.

Diarrhoea is one of the most frequent symptoms and in some epidemics of distemper it is the only noticeable symptom when the temperature is not taken. In these epidemics, the diarrhoea continues for a week or ten days before the true nature of the disease is recognized by the average dog owner, when further and better symptoms arise. If the intestinal catarrh is serious the motions become very liquid and frequent; there is considerable straining, accompanied by pain and frequently resulting in dysentery. In bad cases large quantities of blood are passed, the anus being inflamed, sore and extremely sensitive. The motions may be odorless or very offensive, the latter condition being pronounced when the disease approximates the typhoid or enteric form.

Paralysis affecting the front limbs is usually of a more serious nature than that affecting the hind. Partial or complete paralysis of the bladder often accompanies loss of power in the hind limbs; and in some cases the lower bowel is affected, rendering the patient unable to pass a motion.

Convulsions appear in many forms. In mild cases the lips may be elevated and twitch. A very slight chattering of the teeth may be noticed without foaming at the mouth. The body may or may not be convulsed in these attacks. There is no loss of consciousness. In other cases the fit is much more pronounced. There is champing of the jaws, foaming at the mouth, great excitement and screaming. The animal may make wild rushes if not held under control, followed by convulsions of the body and limbs, then loss of consciousness and rigidity of the muscles. The bladder and lower bowel are emptied involuntarily. The fit may last a very short time, the animal looking up in a wondering stare, or the state of coma may continue for a considerable time. If convulsions recur frequently and continue for any length of time the consequences are generally serious; and when recovery takes place its progress is very much retarded. The same may be said in regard to chorea. When the animal recovers from distemper the chorea remains permanent, although in course of time there is generally a slight amelioration.

BULLDOG SHOW.

Bulldogs of assorted sizes and various shapes were on exhibition all day November 3 at the McAlpin Hotel, New York. The occasion was the annual show of the Joint Bulldog Clubs of America.

The winter garden of the hotel, where the show was held, was crowded throughout the day with admirers of this popular breed. The uglier the specimen the larger the crowd that surrounded its bench.

Over ninety dogs were judged, and while these represented a few of the best kennels in this part of the country, there was an absence of those topnotchers which are always so prominent at the Westminster Kennel Club exhibitions.

There were a number of new exhibitors, and the outstanding feature of the event was the fine showing made by the American-bred dogs. Charles Scardon's Beaming Belle, bred by its owner, took the reserve in the winners' class when she beat a number of prominent champion bitches.

The blue went to Rockliffe Kennels' Champion Oak Nana, which was adjudged the best dog in the show. This is no new title for Oak Nana, as it has frequently had this honor thrust upon it before, as the Rockcliffe Kennels' entry has numerous times been adjudged the best of any breed at many important shows. This makes the third championship for Oak Nana.

The bitch is pure white, beautifully bodied, with a very short face, good wide flat skull and a big sweep of under jaw. She is owned by John T. Minburn. Baron Beaming, the father of Beaming Belle, was adjudged the best dog of the opposite sex. This prize winner is owned by Allison Lederer of East Williston, Long Island. He is a large heavyweight, with a splendid body, but a slight defect in the face and poor legs.

Many of the spectators were of the opinion that the "best dog in the show" should have gone to the Rockcliffe Kennels' entry, Rockcliffe Lord Brilliant, which has been in this country only eighteen months, but has never been shown before; but the judge, in placing Champion Baron Beaming first, did not do so before a careful and thorough examination of the two dogs. Lord Brilliant has bad eyes and is swaybacked and has very poor teeth. The awards:

American Bred Dogs (under 45 pounds)—First, E. P. Hinds' Ashland Little Nipper; second, Mrs. W. Hillebrandt's Deodora Billy; third, W. T. Drew's Buttons 2d; fourth, Walter Murray's Rajah.

American Bred Dogs (45 pounds and over)—First, Mrs. C. N. Platt's Astoria Baron; second, Dr. Roy H. Peck's Daddy Dial; third, Fernbrook Farm's Fernbrook Bully; fourth, Thomas J. Marvin's Magnet Mahomet.

Limit, Dogs (under 45 pounds)—First, Mrs. C. N. Platt's Duke of Plaza Toro; second, Reuben Clarke's Dollar Mgaent; third, E. P. Hinds' Ashland Little Nipper; fourth, Ernest Truslow's Boola's Aldrich Rex.

Open, Dogs (under 45 pounds)—First, Mrs. C. N. Platt's Duke of Plaza Toro; second, Reuben Clarke's Dollar Magnet; third, Fernbrook Farm's Fernbrook Chiron; fourth, E. P. Hinds' Ashland Little Nipper.

Limit, Dogs (45 pounds and over)—First, Rockliffe Kennels' Rockliffe Lord Brilliant; second, W. N. G. Clark's Ricardo Model 2d; third, Fernbrook Farm's Woodcraft Bishop; fourth, Mrs. C. N. Platt's Wroxham Silent Marquis.

Open, Dogs (45 pounds and over)—First, Inwall Kennels' Ch. Baron Beaming; second, Rockliffe Kennels' Rockliffe Lord Brilliant; third, Mrs. C. N. Platt's Baron Teasdale; fourth, Fernbrook Farm's Woodcraft Bishop.

Winners, Dogs—First, Inwall Kennels' Ch. Baron Beaming; reserve, Rockliffe Kennels' Rockliffe Lord Brilliant.

Junior Dogs (under 2 years)—First, Mrs. C. N. Platt's Astoria Baron; second, Reuben Clarke's Dollar Magnet; third, Thomas J. Parvin's Magnet Mahomet; fourth, Ernest Truslow's Boola Aldrich Rex.

Green Dogs (American bred, previous non-winners)—First, Dr. Roy H. Peck's Blooming Buster Dial; second, John J. Mullen's Renwar Bylyn.

Open, Dogs (bred by exhibitor)—First, E. P. Hinds' Ashland Little Nipper.

Veteran Dogs (over 6 years)—First, Fernbrook Farm's Woodcraft Bishop.

American Bred Bitches (under 40 pounds)—First, W. T. Drew's Gabys Delys; second, E. T. Churchman's Lady Supreme; third, Dr. Roy H. Peck's Sally Ann Oial; fourth, Howard R. Slaght's Marchioness Temple.

American Bred Bitches (40 pounds and over)—First, John Dunc's Lednem Countess; second, Mrs. C. N. Platt's Astoria Molly; third, Inwall Kennels' Alice Sit by the Fire.

Limit Bitches (under 40 pounds)—First, Oakwall Kennels' Oakwall Firty Westall; second, E. G. Churchman's Lady Supreme; third, Howard R. Slaght's Marchioness Temple; fourth, James Conway's Verity Verax.

Open, Bitches (under 40 pounds)—First, Rockliffe Kennels' Oak Nana; second, Oakwall Kennels' Oakwall Flirty Westall; third, James Conway's Verity Verax; fourth, F. P. Hinds' Ashland Little Mary.

Limit, Bitches (40 pounds and over)—First, John Duno's Lednem Countess; second, Rockliffe Kennels' Nora Rosetta; third, Mrs. Darwin S. Hudson's Flagon; fourth, Alexander Bodgan's Drewstone Lady Seaton.

Open, Bitches (40 pounds and over)—First, Paul Scardon's Ch. Beaming Belle; second, Inwall Kennels' Ch. Florence Bhunda; third, Rockliffe Kennels' Nora Rosetta; fourth, Mrs. Darwin S. Hudson's Flagon.

Winners, Bitches—First, Rockliffe Kennels' Ch. Oak Nana; reserve, Paul Scardon's Ch. Beaming Belle.

Green, Bitches (American bred, previous non-winners)—First, Joseph Jackson's Yeawood Princess; second, Mrs. C. N. Platt's Astoria Scrappy; third, Mrs. Walter Sickle's Sunshine; fourth, Godlub Kennels' Godlub Hyphen.

Open, Bitches (bred by exhibitor)—First, John Duno's Lednem Countess.

Veteran, Bitches (over 6 years old)—First, Rockliffe Kennels' Ch. Dundee Thalia.

American Bred Bitches—First, Mrs. C. N. Platt's brace.

Open Braces—First, Rockliffe Kennels' brace; second, Fernbrook Farm's brace.

Teams—First, Rockliffe Kennels' team; second, Mrs. C. N. Platt's tetm.

GUN AND ROD NOTES.

The duck-hunting sportsmen know that the broadbills are here in big flocks, but during the recent sunshiny days the webfeet stayed out on the bay waters taking a siesta and safe from the chilled shot welcomes awaiting them in hundreds of duck blinds. But few northern birds made an appearance at the nerby salt marshes until the stormy and rainy weather this week in the northern part of the State. The home-bred birds had a good pummeling since the opening day of the season and became somewhat wise to the situation—they patronized the baited ponds at night and kept out of harm's way in the day time. Better hunting conditions will ensue now since the winter rains and storms have set in.

Northern ducks were beginning to arrive in the northern part of the State early last week, which means that the birds will be down this way now in quick order. In the Butte creek overflow district both wild ducks and geese have been plentiful. In the Sutter basin and in reclamation district 108, wild fowl were scarce owing to prevailing dry conditions.

The long dry spell has had its effect on the duck hunting districts and also on the upland quail coverts. The wild fowlers, except in most favorably located shooting grounds, around the bay counties resorts, have had a big cut down on results until the past week. Stormy weather in the north has brought down big flocks of northern birds and the rainfall this week in Central California was needed to start vegetation.

There has been one notable exception, however, and that is in Butte, Colusa and Glenn counties, where wild ducks, it is reported, have been more numerous than for many years previous. Furthermore, the birds are claimed to be fatter and more palatable than the ducks shot in other sections. It is believed that a rice diet is responsible for that. The rice fed duck, so it is claimed, has lost much of the wild taste.

Colonel J. W. Dorsey and William Sharp were the guests of Fred K. Burnham at the latter's Live Oak preserve when mallard and wild geese limits were bagged. Mrs. Burnham was in the limit class also.

Suisun marsh gun clubs have had good, bad and indifferent luck the past fortnight, dry weather conditions accounting for a scarcity of birds in some parts of the marsh. Last Sunday a six-foot tide converted the marsh into an inland lake and consequently the birds scattered everywhere.

At Green Lodge preserve, near Cygnus, midweek gunners were: W. W. Richards, F. V. Bell, Judge Thompson and M. J. Geary. Fair bags of large birds were shot.

On an adjoining snipe patch, near Jacksnipe station, Germain Carp, Fritz Carp and H. Ootmon bagged two dozen English snipe Tuesday a week ago. A strong sou'wester and dry ground conditions cut out limit possibilities.

Alameda marsh gun clubs, located where fresh water ponds tempted the birds to come in, have been doing well up to last week, particularly so on the Oliver tract. Further south poor results have rewarded hunters. The southeaster this week will liven matters.

Along the Marin and Sonoma shores and marshes the trigger pullers have done poorly, nor is better shooting expected until stormy weather drives the ducks into that district. What few ducks have been shot in that section recently have been principally butterballs and wiretails.

From Russian river down to Tomales bay there has been more hunters than ducks in evidence. Here again wet weather was needed to bring the birds into the rivers and lagoons where the sport is best.

Reports have been widely circulated for some time past to the effect that wild ducks in the Tulare lake region were again dying from some unknown causes, disease or otherwise. Investigation of conditions by Deputy State Fish and Game Commissioner Andy Ferguson of Fresno, showed that while there were many carcasses of ducks in the vicinity of the lake—the dead birds had been there from six weeks to four months, there was no indication of recent deaths. There has been much shooting in that region and as a result there were many wounded birds. These ducks, it is believed, led to the report about sick ducks. There was much sickness among the

ducks around the lake last summer, but all the birds are said to be healthy at the present time and the broadbills of different varieties are in that vicinity in flocks of thousands.

Quail hunters, despite dry ground conditions, had been getting a fair share of birds. Both quail and quail hunters have been numerous in Yolo county. Sacramento hunters have found plenty of coveys not far from town. Near Red Bluff the feathered dodgers are numerous, particularly in the vicinity of Proberta. Numerous arrests have been made up that way recently for hunting without a license.

The Contra Costa hills beyond Pleasanton were visited by Sam Wells and party recently. Nearly three dozen quail was the combined bag.

San Benito county seems to be well stocked with quail, but heavy cover and steep hills maks the sport hard work.

According to reports forwarded by deputies from various points to the Fish and Game Commission, game is numerous. In Tehama county quail abound in countless numbers, but the birds are hard to get at in the heavy cover. There is only an average crop in Calaveras county, and the birds are exceedingly wild. Along the Klamath river country both mountain and valley quail are said to be thicker than ever before, and excellent sport has been the rule.

In Butte, Yuba and Sutter counties quail are also plentiful, but cover conditions have been a handicap to the hunter. The foregoing hints are for the benefit of the automobile contingent, for anything like good quail hunting ground near this city is hard to find. Most of the ranches are posted, and practically all of the good shooting ground is leased or closed to the independent fusiliers.

Among the local hunters who have enjoyed lucky quail shooting trips recently have been Dr. L. T. Cranz, who shot over limit covers back of Napa a week ago. C. L. Thompson hunted in Wooden valley, about nine miles above Napa. He had the somewhat unusual experience of finding a bevy made up of both valley and mountain quail. The latter birds laid as close as their valley cousins, and he drew toll from both varieties.

In the hills back of Tracy on a Monday and Tuesday trip Fred Tobelman, Charles Cutter and Charley Breidenstein found excellent quail-hunting grounds a fortnight ago. The following Monday they had but fair luck near Hayward.

Near Marshalls, in Marin county, Clarence Nauman and Henry Fishbeck have had the entree to a fairly well stocked quail ground that yielded near the limit last Sunday.

A limit trip, near San Gregorio, was that of Hugh Jones a week ago.

War has been declared between the Last Chance and Wild Goose Gun Clubs over the possession of a small tract of unpatented land found in the center of the preserve and filed upon by Oroville men, states the Sacramento Union. The Wild Goose Club is composed of Sacramentans and San Franciscans who purchased the land from the Gridley Gun Club.

The members of the Last Chance Club are called "squatters" by the members of the Wild Goose Club, who declare they will fight the claims of the former to the last ditch. Attorney A. R. Taber of Sacramento has been in Oroville looking over records and maps of the tract in dispute. Neither Taber nor President Inman of the Wild Goose Club will give out any details about the coming fight in the courts.

J. F. Quigley, who negotiated for the sale of the land of the Gridley Gun Club, declares the great-grandchildren of the members of the Last Chance Club may shoot on the land they have filed upon, but none of the members ever will.

After the sale of the preserve to the Wild Goose Club an old story about some unpatented land in the preserve was revived and an investigation made with the result that fifteen acres was found to which there was no title. W. W. Baldwin of Oroville filed on the land under the swamp and overflow act.

County Surveyor M. C. Polk sent his field notes and survey to the surveyor general's office last week. The survey has not been approved as yet, and it is deemed possible that this survey will be attacked. The survey shows approximately fifteen acres in the tract filed on by the Last Chance people.

The Sacramento and San Francisco capitalists by purchase and lease have obtained a monopoly of the duck hunting grounds. The Last Chance members are confident their filing will be approved and they will have a right to shoot on the fifteen acres which contains two famous shooting spots.

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The Siskiyou county supervisors Nov. 5 unanimously adopted a resolution asking the Shasta county supervisors to make the McCloud river a public highway for fishing purposes, which it is said the Shasta supervisors favor. Following is the resolution:

"Whereas, the people of Siskiyou and Shasta counties are being deprived of what they believe to be their rights by not being allowed to fish in various streams of the State and particularly in that portion of McCloud river which is within the county of Shasta; and

"Whereas, the State Legislature has made it possible for boards of supervisors to declare unnavigable streams public highways for the purpose of fishing, now therefore be in

"Resolved, that the board of supervisors of Siskiyou county respectfully petition the board of supervisors of Shasta county to take such action as will give to the people the privilege of fishing in the McCloud river."

This action is the aftermath of injunction proceedings brought against a Shasta county resident who fished the McCloud on land owned by the Bend Land Company, a Nevada incorporation, but it is claimed is composed of San Francisco residents.

Permission has been given by the State Board of Control for the hiring of a patrol of three men to break up the gang of aliens which annually has been shooting the deer of the Yosemite valley, as they have been driven out of the valley by the cold. Experience has proven that the deputies in Fresno county are powerless to break up the gang, hence the need of incurring, by the Fish and Game Commission, the extra expense for the patrol. The patrol at the mouth of the valley, where the alien hunters work, will be maintained for two months, by which time it is thought the danger will be past.

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There seems to be a great deal of uncertainty among southern anglers regarding the exact date of the closing of the trout season. To put this at rest and settle the matter, let it be said that the new trout law, passed this year, extends the season to December 1 in District No. 4, which includes San Bernardino, Riverside, Imperial, San Diego, Los Angeles, Orange, Ventura and Santa Barbara counties. The trouting is just as good now, so it is claimed, as it has been at any time during the season, but few seem to be taking advantage of their privilege.

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The high mark for large salmon caught in the Sacramento river near Chico continues to climb. The record now is claimed for Benjamin Thompson of Nord, who caught a fifty-five pounder last week.

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Striped bass activities are indicated by a number of large sized fish caught by the Sunday outing delegation at the Napa and Santa Rosa drawbridge over Napa creek, a fortnight ago. Emil Accret's largest bass scaled 19 pounds. Among the other more or less luck anglers were Ed Winters, Howard Vernon, Louis Gotthelf, Walter McCarthy, "Whitey" and others. Several good catches were made last Sunday, Howard Vernon's two bass scaling about 18 pounds each.

The Wingo visitors also had a fair share of luck. Charles Urfer's catch numbered five nice sized bass. Last Sunday a cold north wind put the sport on the tobog. San Antone slough apparently caught the fever to a slight extent, for Frank Billington landed two 10-pounders. Bob Sangster and Jake Christianson caught five bass. Other rodsters in the slough were also luckier than has been the rule. Several good catches were made last Sunday, however.

The Port Costa waters drew blank for several anglers who made the trip to that point Sunday.

Sheriff J. J. Keating of San Rafael did some tall salmon fishing near Redding one day recently. Having several hours to spare while waiting for a down train, in company with Sheriff Al Ross and Richard Collins of the State Board of Equalization, the trio meandered down to the Sacramento river to fish for salmon. Keating landed three fine large fish, the limit for one day, in short order. He put in the balance of the time teaching his companions how to fish. Among other things he told them that it was an everyday matter for San Rafaelians to go out on the bay and return with half a ton o fsalmon in a few hours. His friends swallowed Keating's fish stories and gazed upon the Marin county official with wonderment.

A story came out afterwards, it is stated, that Keating, who fished around a bend of the river by his lonely, purchased the salmon from an Italian fisherman and that possibly accounted for the bad luck of Ross and Collins and the marvelous good luck of the San Rafael fisherman.

Splendid black bass fishing has been enjoyed recently by Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Rose, who fished in Bass lake, Madera county. Both the bass and trout in the lake are of large size and numerous. The bass will take a fly after the first cold snap.

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Peters Points.

Added to the "P" brand wins already noted at the recent Westy Hogan shoot may be mentioned two other wins:

Mr. W. S. Hoon, the well known amateur from Jewell, Iowa, tied for fourth amateur average, 484 ex 500; second in the Du Pont 18 yard championship, 96 ex 100.

In the team race, Mr. F. B. Stephenson of New York City made high score on the wining team, 98 ex 100, and in the Bull Durham Handicap, J. A. Depew was third, 93 ex 100. The 16 yard prize was won by Mr. J. P. McKean of Philadelphia, 91 ex 100. Surely a great list of achievements for users of the "P" brand.

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FIXTURES.

Registered Tournaments — Pacific States and Territories:

November 15, 16, 17—The Arizona State Tournament, scheduled for Tucson, Ariz., November 5, 6, 7, has been transferred to Phoenix, Ariz., under the auspices of the Phoenix Gun Club, and the dates changed to November 15, 16, 17. Sunday, November 14, practice day.

CLUB WINNERS OF BEGINNERS' TROPHIES.

Wilmington, Del.—Enclosed find list of gun clubs winning the 100 special Du Pont trophies offered the clubs having the greatest number of beginners participating in their Beginners' Day shoot. The list contains the names of 105 clubs, having a total of 2,913 participants, and an average of 28, which I think, is remarkable, and incidentally emphasizes the success of the affair:

Clubs which received beginners' cups and the number of contestants:

Arizona—Williams Gun Club, Williams, 21.

California—Big Time Gun Club, Sacramento, 27; Los Angeles Gun Club, Venice, 22.

Canada—Alberta: Red Deer Gun Club, Red Deer, 24. Saskatchewan: Viscount Gun Club, 32.

Connecticut—Pahquioque Gun Club, Danbury, 138; Saybrook Point Gun Club, Saybrook Point, 26.

Delaware—Du Pont Trapshooting Club, Wilmington, 63.

Florida—New Duval Gun Club, Jacksonville, 28.

Georgia—Gate City Gun Club, Atlanta, 18; Gainesville Gun Club, Gainesville, 19.

Illinois—Ashton Gun Club, Ashton, 30; Charlotte Gun Club, Charlotte, 40; Metropolitan Gun Club, Chicago, 36; Alta Sita Gun Club, E. St. Louis, 24; Eldorado Rifle Club, Eldorado, 27; Galesburg Gun Club, Galesburg, 31; Mt. Carmel Gun Club, Mt. Carmel, 20; Naperville Gun Club, Naperville, 17.

Indiana—Gary Gun Club, Gary, 20; New Salem Gun Club, New Salem, 19; North Salem Gun Club, North Salem, 31; Warsaw Gun Club, Warsaw, 19.

Iowa—Bedford Gun Club, Bedford, 18; Corley Gun Club, Corley, 24; Jerome Gun Club, Jerome, 25; Sewal Gun Club, Sewal, 18; Varina Gun Club, Varina, 54; Vinton Gun Club, Vinton, 32.

Kansas—Chapman Gun Club, Chapman, 49; Ellis Gun Club, Ellis, 25; Wellington Gun Club, Wellington, 32.

Kentucky—Corbin Gun Club, Corbin, 24; Danville Gun Club, Danville, 19.

Maine—Gardiner Gun Club, Gardiner, 30.

Massachusetts—Lawrence Fish and Game Protective Association, Lawrence, 22; Waltham Gun Club, Waltham, 48.

Michigan—C. & H. Rod and Gun Club, Calumet, 29; Ludington Gun and Rifle Club, Ludington, 27.

Minnesota—Cuyuna Gun Club, Cuyuna, 19; Hutchinson Gun Club, Hutchinson, 20; Red Wing Gun Club, Red Wing, 39; Intercity Gun Club, St. Cloud, 18, Virginia Gun Club, Virginia, 17; Winona Sportsmen's Club, Winona, 32.

Missouri—Milan Gun Club, Milan, 20; Carondelet Heights Rod and Gun Club, St. Louis, 26.

Nebraska—Nettle Bend Gun Club, Blair, 26; New Columbus Gun Club, Columbus, 39; Freemont Trapshooting Club, Freemont, 29; Loup City Gun Club, Loup City, 25; Nelson Gun Club, Nelson, 19; Omaha Gun Club, Omaha, 27; Ravenna Gun Club, Ravenna, 26.

New Jersey—Mohegan Gun Club, Granton, 30.

New York—Bay View Gun Club, Brooklyn, 22; Bensonhurst Yacht Club, Brooklyn, 22; Hertelwood Gun Club, Buffalo, 35; Corning Gun Club, Corning, 28; Geneva Sportsman's Gun Club, Geneva, 27; Long Point Athletic Club, Greece, 39; Chenango County Fish, Game and Gun Club, Norwich, 37; Orlean Gun Olean, 17; Riverside Gun Club, Rochester, 27; Pleasant Bay Gun Club, Westchester, N. Y. C., 19; Staten Island: Robin Hood Gun Club, 28.

North Carolina—Brown Rifle Range and Gun Club, Concord, 28; Southport Gun Club, Southport, 30.

North Dakota—La Moure Gun Club, La Moure, 23; Mandan Gun Club, Mandan, 23.

Ohio—Akron Gun Club, Akron, 21; Brighton Gun Club, Cincinnati, 25; Erie Gun Club, Marion, 18; Mahoning Valley Gun Club, Niles, 18; Edgewater Gun Club, Toledo, 35.

Oklahoma—Fairfax Gun Club, Fairfax, 35; Miami Gun Club, Miami, 20; Capital Gun Club, Oklahoma City, 24.

Oregon—Portland Gun Club, Portland, 63; Independence Gun Club, Independence, 17.

Pennsylvania—The Pioneer City Gun Club, Carbondale, 18; Denver Rod and Gun Club, Denver, 22; Millersburg Gun Club, Millersburg, 45; Nanticoke Gun Club, Nanticoke, 17; Canoe Gun Club, Port Allegheny, 23; Independent Gun Club, Reading, 26; Rutherford Gun Club, Rutherford, 25; Bear Valley Gun Club, Shamokin, 26; State College Gun Club, State College, 24; New England Gun Club, Tamaqua, 20; Thornburg Gun Club, Thornburg, 21; Throop Trapshooting Club, Throop, 19; Laurel Run Gun Club, Wiles-Barre, 17; Winburne Rod and Gun Club, Winburne, 31; Wyoming Rod and Gun Club, Wyoming, 18.

Virginia — Berryville Gun Club, Berryville, 22; North Side Gun Club, Richmond, 23.

West Virginia—Elkins Gun Club, Elkins, 25; Huntington Gun Club, Huntington, 47; Richwood Rod and Gun Club, Richwood, 19.

Wisconsin—Lake Hallie Gun Club, Eau Claire, 33; Winnebago Gun Club, Oshkosh, 25; Richland Center Rod and Gun Club, Richland Center, 20; Shullsburg Gun Club, Shullsburg, 17; Whitewater Rod and Gun Club, Whitewater, 28.

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Manager, Sporting Powder Division.

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Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY SPEAKS ON HORSES AND CARRIAGES.

G. Arthur Bell, of the Bureau of Animal Industry, Washington, D. C., in an address before the Carriage Builders' National Association, at Cleveland, last month, said that "up to June, 1915, the estimated number of automobiles and trucks in the United States was 1,707,009. These figures were taken from State registration accounts for 1914, and included machines licensed in more than one state. We will assume, however," said Mr. Bell, "that that number is approximately correct. Let us for a liberal estimate add 300,000 to this number for the additional machines of 1915. This makes a total of 2,000,000 automobiles and motor trucks in the United States. This means that there are twelve horses for every automobile and motor truck in this country. This certainly does not indicate that we have reached the horseless stage, about which we hear so much. Now, I am not saying this in disparagement of the automobile at all, because we all realize the great value of the automobile, both for pleasure and for business purposes, but merely to point out the fact that we have not reached the horseless stage.

"Now, let us turn to a consideration of the relationship of the horse to agricultural production. There is, in my estimation, no factor of greater importance in the production of agricultural products than getting efficient horse power. Without good, efficient work horses farming cannot be done as economically as it can be with them, and these horses are needed to offset the increased cost of labor. We have in the United States more than 6,000,000 farms, which means that there is on an average not more than four mature working animals per farm.

"We hear a great deal of the displacement of horses by motor trucks. You will realize that there is not much danger of displacing any large number of these horses by motor trucks when the average farm has not over four work horses. The motor truck, to be an economical factor in agricultural production, must displace more than four horses. If the average farm does not have more than four horses, how is the motor truck to displace them? There is always some kind of work on every farm for which it is necessary to have horses. Much of our farming land is wet, low land, and it is, therefore, necessary to have horses.

"The Agricultural Department made a very careful survey of the motor truck, and found that in most cases it had not displaced horses to any extent.

"It is estimated that there are approximately 100,000,000 horses in the world. Of this 100,000,000, the United States possesses 24,000,000 or practically one-fourth. The United States and Russia together possess over fifty per cent of all the horses in the world, Russia being the only country which has more horses than we have. It can readily be seen, therefore, that, with the exception of Russia, the other countries now at war are bound to be short of horses for work purposes. Russia will probably have enough for her own use, but on account of the great number that are being killed in Russia today, she will probably not have any for export.

"That means that the other countries will have to turn to the only other big horse producing country, the United States. I think, however, that we should be able to meet this export demand. We are producing more than 1,500,000 colts. If this demand continues it will, of course, mean that the prices of horses will increase, but I do not think they will go abnormally high. As soon as horses become much higher than they are today, it will simply mean that there will be greater use made of motor power in the cities, and the city horses will be thrown upon the market. It will, however, mean that the farmer will get a good price for his horses for several years.

"The demand for horses for city use, however, takes on another aspect. We will have to look the situation straight in the face and admit that the automobile has hurt the demand for pleasure horses for city use. It will probably also hurt the demand among the farmers for horses for road purposes, for, as our roads get better and better, our wealthier class of farmers will make greater and greater use of automobiles. But the average farmer will have to depend on the horse for a great many years, not only for road purposes, but for general purposes.

"There is a certain class of horses in cities for which I think there will be a slightly increased demand, and that is the high-class carriage horse. Among people who can afford both automobiles and horses, the high-class carriage horse has an individuality that cannot be given to the automobile, and for those people who wish to attract attention of that sort, the demand for high-class horses will probably increase. The demand, however, will necessarily always be limited. Another class of horses for which there is likely to be an increased demand is the saddle horse. So far as the demand for carriages and buggies and saddles and things of that kind is concerned, you doubtless know the conditions much better than I do, but it is not likely that there will be any greatly increased demand for them. There will be, probably, a slight increase for the real high-class carriage, but I believe the carriage builders will have to depend largely on the small farmer who demands a medium priced buggy.

"I have endeavored to show that our horses have not reached the place where there is not a demand for them; that our horses have increased in number, and that we are not likely in the near future to say 'good-bye, horse,' or to think that we have reached the 'horseless age.'"

TARIFF COMMISSION LEAGUE.

A movement has been recently launched in Chicago that is both timely and important. It is the Tariff Commission League of which Mr. Howard H. Gross of that city is president and prime mover. Mr. Gross will be remembered as president of the National Soil Fertility League, an organization that did so much to help carry through the Smith-Lever Agricultural Extension enactment. The Tariff Commission League began a propaganda about the first of August, the purpose of which was to secure the establishment of a permanent, nonpartisan Tariff Commission with broad powers, to conduct a thorough investigation that will disclose all the facts, strip the tariff of all subterfuge and bring the truth to light, so that tariff enactments hereafter shall be made upon definite information in the interests of all the people and from the standpoint of sound economics, rather than from political party expediency.

The League has a strong directorate and an advisory committee carrying some of the most distinguished names in the country. It is distinctively a popular movement in which agriculture, labor, manufactures, commerce and transportation are represented. Among the distinguished names are James J. Hill of St. Paul; Thomas A. Edison of New Jersey; Cyrus H. K. Curtis of Philadelphia, head of the Curtis Publishing Company; John Mitchell, Chairman of the New York State Industrial Commission, and a well-known labor leader; Warren S. Stone of Cleveland, head of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers; F. D. Coburn, Ex-Commissioner of Agriculture of Kansas, called the "Father of Alfalfa"; Ex-Gov. W. D. Hoard of Wisconsin; John V. Farwell, Chicago; J. M. Studebaker, South Bend, Indiana; Mrs. Percy V. Pennybacker, president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, and others.

It is the purpose of the League to bring all possible pressure to bear upon Congress to create such a Tariff Commission, and it is receiving the co-operation of some of the most influential organizations in the country, notably the United States Chamber of Commerce and organized labor. The agricultural organizations and publishers of farm papers, so far as heard from, are practically a unit for the general plan. The League insists that tariffs shall be made upon facts instead of fancies, that log-rolling, trading and lobbying shall cease, and that the tariff shall be made for all the people instead of some of the people. One of the most significant features is that the bill that is proposed requires that the President shall recognize both agriculture and labor in the creation of the proposed Commission. Hitherto manufacturers have felt that the tariff was their especial province and that it was a "business proposition," in which their advice should be followed. The League insists that the tariff shall take into account every interest and that those of agriculture and labor should receive as careful consideration as manufactures.

It was recently announced from the headquarters of the League that the movement is gaining ground all over the land, and much faster than those back of it ever expected or thought possible. Pamphlets explaining the plan were broadcasted over the land with postcards inclosed, asking the recipient to give his judgment upon it and whether he was willing to help. These went to organizations and to various publications. Returns show that more than nine-tenths are enthusiastically for the movement and suggest that a tariff commission of this type is what has been needed for many years, and if the nation had supported one, hundreds of millions of economic waste might have been avoided and the people would have been happier and more prosperous.

Far-seeing men agree that the country is facing mighty industrial changes, that when fifteen millions of men in the trenches go into workshops the whole world must readjust itself to new industrial condition and that the United States, with other nations, is facing the most serious situation in all history. For this reason the necessity of a tariff commission to study this question and aid the Government and the people to readjust themselves to the new conditions is immediate and imperative. That this is a movement of the greatest import is shown by the fact that the publishers of practically all the leading magazines in New York, together with a score of business men, met at a dinner called for the purpose of hearing the plan and purpose of the tariff commission explained to them in detail. This is said to be the first time that these publishers have ever met to hear anyone discuss a public question.

This movement contemplates giving agriculture and labor the proper representation in the consideration of tariff legislation. It is distinctly a people's movement and there is practically a country-wide demand that everyone should get back of it and insist that members of congress shall promptly enact the necessary legislation.

THE RISING TIDE.

The tide of commercial activity is rising, and rising rapidly. The bottom of trade paralysis was evidently struck soon after the war broke out, but the upbound was not immediate. It could not be. Men sat still and shuddered, or groped feebly and blindly amid conditions wholly without precedent, like mariners sailing an uncharted sea without compass. The instinctive initial demand for war provisions brought visions of a broad market for our stores, but shipping was demoralized, and on catching the first breath after the surprise of the declaration of war the commissariats of foreign nations realized that they were well stocked for a brief campaign, and purchasing almost ceased. Its renewal in the light of the prolongation of the combat and the resultant demand on our provisions are matters of too recent history to need rehearsing. The exhaustion of the stores of arms and ammunition in equipping the constantly enlarging armies has resulted in orders in this country that have produced an altogether unheard-of activity in manufacturing circles. However great the paralysis of our industries, and the uncertainties of trade, such demands must galvanize them into bounding life and intense action. The east is seething with industrial activity and the results have been quickly translated into enlarged profits for transportation companies.

The unprecedented harvests are playing a great part in this restoration of railroad activities, and in turn the profits of the carriers have been promptly invested in betterments of all kinds—rails and rolling stock. These domestic demands superimposed on the foreign requirements have swamped the steel mills. Never before has the iron industry been so quickly and so completely submerged by demands. Prices have advanced in consequence of the situation and the activity in this trade is at the highest tide yet attained.

Every condition conjoined to this great and growing commercial awakening. Bare shelves, the rebound from apprehension and conservation of finances, huge harvests and strong prices and the rising values of cotton, and perhaps above all the psychological effect of it, have stirred the domestic fire until the kettle begins to boil and sing. The east is the present center of industrial and commercial turmoil, but wholesalers in Chicago are beginning to report that it is just a matter of supplying the goods, and on the Pacific slope merchants declare that an amazing forward leap in retail sales has recently been recorded.

Beyond cavil things have begun to hum. To the ear of the tiller of the soil that hum has a sweet and reassuring sound. He knows it means a broad, sustained demand for all his products. He must feed a domestic industrial population hungrier than ever before from the exhaustion of daily toil, and only prophecy dare set bounds to the foreign demands that may yet be made on our storehouses of provisions.—Breeders' Gazette.

THE FARM

KEEPING THE RANCH ACCOUNTS.

The greatest trouble with the average farmer is that he knows little or nothing about bookkeeping. He imagines that it requires from three to six large books, a bunch of specially printed paper and reports on which to keep his records, and in this way he is making the mistake that many others do. It is possible to keep a complete set of books, that is, so as to know just what this or that crop has cost, which kind of livestock has paid best; which piece of land has been the most productive, breeding records, expenses, and produce sales, etc., on nothing but an ordinary ten o rtwenty cent plainly ruled book.

Here is the idea: Take one or more pages—double pages—for a ten-acre plot, twenty-five acre plot, etc., horses, cattle, chickens, crop expenses, living expenses, and for each item that is to be recorded. Now on one of these double pages, we will put down, say "horses," and take an inventory, putting it on the left side of the double page. When you buy more put it there too with the price, and when you sell just write the amount received on the right hand side page of this book. At the end of the year you can balance the sheet or sheets, and take an inventory to see just ho wmuch these horses have cost and the gain they have made.

Supposing you wanted to charge the grain to them, which you should do. This will go on the left side of the book and when you have done a day's work with two or four horses, give them credit for same on the opposite side of page—just what these horses' work was worth. You must figure your own labor and that of the horses if you want to get at what a certain piece of land has cost to put it into crop. Treat all livestock the same way.

Now we will take one certain piece of land. Charge all labor taht you have done or hired done on it to the left side of the book and separate it so you will know what the plowing, seed, seeding, irrigating and harvesting has cost. After you get this total figure the interest on your money invested in this land and charge it also to the left side and you will have the cost of this crop. All sales are to be credited on the right side and the balance or difference will certainly show just what you have cleared or lost on that one certain piece of land. —Field and Farm.

VETCH AND BARLEY.

Vetch and barley as a winter growing silage crop have proved a great crop for R. E. Watson, manager of the Rancho Dos Rios, Modesto. The combination of 50 pounds Oregon vetch and 50 pounds bearless barley is sown in the fall about the lrst of November, and harvested for silage the following spring when the barley is rather far along, so that it will shell out a little going through the silage cutter.

A yield of about eight tons per acre is secured, green, and when cut in the right stage it heats up quickly in the silo and makes a silage that his pure-bred Jersey cows go crazy over. Then after the crop is off the same land can be planted to corn and another crop of silage taken off in the fall. In this way there is silage for the stock all the year long.

The vetch gathers nitrogen and improves the soil. Being a winter grower in California and a fine feed, there is a strong reason for a much more extensive planting than is practiced at present.

An experienced horseman gives this hint: To make a new horse collar come to a perfect fit, soak it over night in a tub of water, buckle it on the horse next morning and go to work. It will soon adjust itself to every part of the shoulder and thereafter be as comfortable as an old shoe.

RURAL ROAD WORK.

That full value may be received for the money appropriated for road purposes and that the best results obtainable may be secured it is essential that the right man shall be placed in charge of the road work. He should be selected not only because he actually knows more about good roads than any other person in the community, but also because he can ge the best results from the money furnished. It is not sufficient, however, to let the matter rest with the appointment of a road overseer. He should receive the whole-hearted support of the community in the work. It should be seen to that under the conditions and with the money furnished the community is getting what it has a right to expect in the way of road improvement. It is well to remember that if for any reason an incompetent man is placed in charge of the work the responsibility for failure rests upon the community. There should be no other consideration, therefore, in selecting a road overseer than that of securing a man with the ability to perform the duties required. It should be realized that good roads have much to do with the prosperity of a community and that united action in the right direction is the surest and quickest way to secure them.

Department Will Assist.

Where the road overseer has had but little experience in road work, or where some new and difficult problem is presented to the experienced man, the Office of Public Roads and Rural Engineering of the department, when requested, will offer advice and suggestions for carrying on the work and how best to overcome the difficulties.

To secure a satisfactory road of any type, it is absolutely necessary to remember: First, drainage; second, drainage; and third, drainage. The earth road, properly cared for, will answer satisfactorily for the traffic of many rural sections that can not afford the better types of roads; but the earth road must be well drained. After this fact is well understood, two other requirements may be taken up—the location of the road and the reduction of grades to a general average of 5 per cent.

With the exception of sandy roads, which are easiest for traveling when damp, all roads must have proper side ditches to carry away the surface water. In order to lead this surface water to the ditch, the road surface must have a crown, or rounded roof, highest in the center and sloping toward the ditches. A very easy and satisfactory way to keep earth, clay, and gravel roads crowned, by the use of the split-log drag, is explained in Farmers' Bulletin 597, copies of which may be obtained upon application to the department.

After the road has been crowned and the crown is kept in condition by the wise use of the road drag, it should be seen to that ditches are kept free from weeds, etc., and that they are deep enough to carry off the water which runs into them. In most cases a wide, shallow ditch is best. Deep ditches are dangerous to traffic. At spaces of every few hundred feet along the roadway a culvert of some kind should be placed to carry away the water which has gathered in the ditches.

A road properly built generally will not have an average grade of more than 5 per cent. By "per cent of grade" is meant the number of feet the road rises or "climbs" for every 100 feet of its length. On a road of 1 per cent grade the horses need pull the load up a rise of only 1 foot for every 100 feet they travel. It has been found that where a horse can pull a full load on level ground, he is able to pull only one-half that load on a 5 per cent grade and only one-fourth that load on a 10 per cent grade. More trips must be made to and from market on a road with just one bad hill in order to haul the same amount that can be hauled at one trip on a level road.

Bulletin 220 of the Department of Agriculture contains pictures of small models of good roads, some of which might be very helpful in understanding the construction of a road. One model illustrates the uses of the different kinds of ditches, culverts, etc. Another model shows the relocation of a road. A steep hill on the old road has been avoided by relocating the road around the foot of the hill, saving the horses many a hard pull. Relocating the road may be expensive at first cost, but very often repays the community many times over in the saving of labor, time, horses, and equipment.

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That the use of manure as a top dressing in preparing land for wheat increases the yield materially, has been shown by experiments made by the department of agronomy in the Kansas State Agricultural College. These experiments cover a period of five years.

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This difference was not so great as during later years because the greatest increase in yield of wheat from manure does not come the first season after the application.

In 1912 the yield was low because of poor wheat conditions. The yield from the manured field was only 6.68 bushels an acre, while the unmanured tract yielded but 5.68 bushels. A noticeable factor in these figures is that as the yield decreased the effect of the manure also decreased. This indicates that during a poor season for wheat the effect of manure will be less than in a favorable season.

In 1913, 1914 and 1915, the increase resulting from the use of manure became more pronounced, ranging from six to nearly 11 bushels. This marked difference is no doubt due to a number of causes. The field which had received no manure is becoming less productive while the one receiving manure is apparently becoming more productive and the cumulative effect of the manure is becoming more noticeable.

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PACIFIC COAST FAIR ASSOCIATION.

Coming to the decision that the matter of looking o the future welfare of district fairs and harness acing in California was squarely up to them, horsemen in attendance at the P.-P. I. E. races held two meetings last week at the Palace Hotel in this city. The preliminary round on Tuesday evening started the ball to rolling, those present gained a general idea of the course they wished to pursue, so that the gathering on Friday night was for the purpose of making a definite start toward providing a circuit of fairs, with racing, for the season of 1916 and all subsequent seasons.

Fifty or sixty persons were present, all of whom are directly interested in the project under consideration, and all imbued with the one idea that only by prompt and organized effort could a much needed change in the local situation be effected. Numerous brief talks were made by representatives of various sections of the state, reciting the possibilities offered by conditions in their localities, and in response to a call from the temporary chairman it was demonstrated that a considerable sum of money could be raised for the "fathering" of a chain of fairs, with harness racing as their principal adjunct.

It was the consensus of opinion that a permanent organization be effected, the resultant body being designated as the Pacific Coast Fair Association. J. L. Borden of this city, long a "wheel horse" of the P. C. T. H. B. A. and the California State Agricultural Society, was unanimously chosen, under his personal protests, to head the organization, and Robert A. Smith of Los Angeles was chosen secretary-treasurer by a similar vote. First and second vice-presidents were elected in the persons of George J. Giannini of this city and Charles F. Silva of Sacramento, respectively, and a board of directors was drawn from the ranks of the "livest" and most influential horsemen of the state's various breeding and training centers. Forty-two persons signed the roll as members, and the executive officers have in their hands the work of increasing the membership and effecting a permanent organization through incorporation under the laws of California.

Owing to the scant time at our disposal this week no further mention of the new organization and its field of endeavor will be attempted at this time, but a comprehensive review of the situation, from our standpoint, will be made in an early issue. Meanwhile, we urge horsemen to become members of the Pacific Coast Fair Association and boost for it in every way possible.

C. B. WOOD DIES IN FIRE.

Early in the progress of the exposition meeting horsemen had their attention arrested by brief telegraphis reports in the dailies telling of the death of C. B. Wood in a ranch house fire near Phoenix, but it was hard to realize that it was "our C. B.,"—"Woodsie," as many horsemen knew him. Such, however, proved to be the case, the following paragraphs concerning the tragedy being taken from the Arizona Republican of November first:

Overwhelmed by the fumes of an exploding lamp, C. B. Wood, postmaster of Phoenix, died, and his body was partially consumed in the ruins of his country house on the Black Canyon road, near the grand canal last evening.

Warned by Mr. Wood's last words "Look out," and by the sight of fire bursting out of the window of the frail wood structure, C. L. Madison, renter of the ranch, was able to rescue his bedridden son from the room next that in which the tragedy occurred. Madison dragged the young man a short distance from the house, placed him on a cot, and rushed back into the house, screaming to men on the other side of a canal near by. As he opened the door, smoke and flames billowed out, and he was driven from the place, blinded, stunned, and compelled to stand aside and watch the fire rapidly spread throughout the building. At this time he had no idea the unfortunate man had not succeeded in escaping from the house. It was not until he had, with a half score of neighbors, attempted to form a bucket brigade to throw water on the fire, that Mr. Wood was missed, and the horrible possibility occurred to the group.

Madison, in his overwrought mind, had formed no coherent ideas, when neighbors, and later officers of the Phoenix fire department and reporters questioned him. His stories about what actually occurred were as varied almost as his hearers. The one to which the most credence was given, however, is this:

Although Mr. Wood had moved to a home in the city, he maintained two rooms at the ranch house, where he kept a great quantity of private papers and his desks. He was in the habit of visiting the ranch house frequently, to spend considerable time in his study. He had been in his room for some time yesterday afternoon. At about five-fifteen he had called Madison, and had asked him for a lamp. Madison filled a lamp in the rear of the house and took it to Wood's room, leaving there immediately thereafter to attend to some chores outside.

Five minutes after he left the room, Madison heard the soft explosion that indicated the bursting of a coal oil lamp. He heard the cry "Look out." Turning, he saw the glare of fire through a window in the room the postmaster was using. His first thought was to save his son, who was not able to rise from his bed.

Telephonic information from nearby ranch houses brought Assistant Fire Chief Simmons. About the time he arrived, C. E. Tannehill, who lives near by, and others, commenced to search the ruins, which had cooled sufficiently—by reason of the fact that the light frame building had burned clear to the ground—to permit the men to approach quite closely. Buckets of water were thrown into the heaps of ashes, and soon, the bones of a human hand were identified. By this means, then, it became known beyond a doubt that a frightful tragedy had taken place. Even until this fact was established, the frantic neighbors had continued to entertain the hope that Mr. Wood had escaped.

Friends of the dead man last night told of his trouble with his heart, and the surmise that he had fallen under the shock of the explosion, and had therefore failed to get out, was strengthened.

Chalmers Barbour Wood was about forty-five years of age and had been a resident of Maricopa county for fifteen years. He was born in the "Kingdom of Callo," Missouri, and was educated at Westminster College. Almost since attaining his majority he had taken an active part in democratic politics and he quickly became an active figure in politics after arriving in Arizona. He held various positions in the county and was elected to the first state senate in which he served with distinction. He was chairman of several important committees and was a member of every important committee. Mr. Wood was appointed postmaster about a year ago, resigning the secretaryship of the Arizona State Fair to take up the duties of that office, which he discharged in a most efficient manner.

Mr. Wood was an old friend of Speaker Champ Clark. Mrs. Clark had been one of his earliest instructors and he was therefore a supporter of the speaker in the contest for the delegation from this state to the Baltimore convention. It was supposed that that fact militated against him somewhat in the contest for the appointment of the postoffice.

Though he was strongly aggressive, he made many friends for he himself was a faithful friend both in his social and his political relations. His tragic death will be widely mourned. He leaves beside a widow, three children, a son and two daughters.

In the passing of C. B. Wood, thousands of people in Arizona, and horsemen and livestock breeders of many other sections, have lost a valued friend. His aggressive and progressive policy had much to do with establishing the Arizona State Fair on its present high plane, and he was always busy during the fair making things pleasant for visiting horsemen and exhibitors, as well as looking carefully to the efficient working of every department under his supervision. He was a big man—physically, mentally and at heart—and our readers will join with us in expressions of sorrow over his untimely death, and of ready and sincere condolence to the surviving members of his family.

NEW TRACK FOR TACOMA.

According to recent reports from the Pacific Northwest, Tacoma horsemen are to have a new halfmile track in the near future. J. V. Huntamer, a well known Tacoman from whom the news comes, states that a number of horsemen have organized a company and purchased from Mrs. Haydon, of the Haydon-Watson Company of that city, an ample tract of land situated at Eighteenth Street N. W. and Railroad Avenue, where a two-lap track will be constructed, together with all necessary accommodations. The plant will serve as a wintering and training headquarters for horsemen of that section and a number of stables will begin their work there just as soon as the plant is in running order.

WINTER RACING FOR THOROUGHBREDS.

Thoroughbred campaigners apparently have a fair winter season before them, better than usual from present indications. The meeting of the Southern Maryland Agricultural Association now on at Bowie comes to a close on November 30, while Juarez opens on Thanksgiving for a run of one hundred days. Some weeks ago all sorts of wild and woolly rumors from the latter city put horsemen up in the air, but all the bumps seem to have been smoothed out and racing is scheduled to hold sway there as usual.

Next in order comes the opening at Curley Brown's plant near Havana, under the auspices of the Cuba-American Jockey Club, the meeting being slated to run eighty-two days from December 16, while the Business Men's Racing Association of New Orleans, which promoted such a successful turf revival in the old Southern racing center last winter, will inaugurate its second meeting on New Year's Day, to continue until March 6, the interim providing for fifty-six days of actual racing. Both Havana and New Orleans, especially New Orleans, did nicely last season for a starter, and the outlook at each place is most auspicious for this year. Brown and his associates have the Cuban situation well in hand, while a bit of anti-racing agitation in New Orleans has met with successful opposition on the part of by far the greater portion of the city's adult population.

Here on the coast the situation yet seems to be a bit in doubt owing to a conflict between General Carranza and Governor Estaban Cantu of lower California, but the prevailing opinion is that the latter gentleman is acting within his rights and will be able to protect the holders of the Tia Juana concession, a group of American and Mexican horsemen and promoters associated as the Baja California Trading Company. Shortly after the work of establishing the plant was begun some weeks ago, adverse advices from General Carranza caused the same to be discontinued temporarily. Investigation by the holders of the concession convinced them of the soundness of their permits and work was resumed with but slight delay. Since that time conflicting reports have been numerous, so numerous that horsemen have been undecided as to the situation really existing.

Recent visitors to southern California state that plans to begin racing on Christmas day will go through as originally announced, these opinions being strengthened by statements from members of the B. C. T. C. George Crowley, a hotel proprietor of this city who holds an extensive concession for hotel and resort purposes just below the line on the coast and who was largely instrumental in getting rival concessionaires together on the Tia Juana proposition, stated in a recent letter to the editor of this publication that everything was progressing most favorably and that the sponsors of the project had every confidence that their plans would carry through safely and successfully. The foundation of the track is practically completed and the work of surfacing it is under way. Stabling accommodations are already prepared for over a hundred head of horses, and additional stables are rapidly going up, the plans calling for fifteen units of forty stalls each. Construction on the grandstand has also begun, and Mr. Crowley's advice is to the effect that an opening on Christmas day will be accomplished.

GOOD CONSIGNMENT FOR CHICAGO.

Robert A. Smith of Los Angeles, who for some time has been gathering a shipment of California horses to go to the December sale of the Chicago Horse Sale Company, drops us a line from Bakersfield to the effect that he will have about fifty high class individuals to take east with him, crediting the receipt of many of the consignments to a judicious use of the advertising pages of the Breeder and Sportsman. California horses have always been in demand throughout the east and central west, and as "Bob" is a horseman who knows the kind that salegoers want, it is an odds-on bet that the band he has gathered will average up well in price with the tops of the sale.

Getting his shipments together and making the round trip to the Windy City will take up most of Mr. Smith's time until the holidays, and with the first of the year he will be in shape to devote his attention to his new duties as secretary of the Pacific Coast Fair Association, and accomplish some real results towards bringing back district fairs and harness racing.

Peter Scott Rolls up $50,635

Ninth Day, Friday, Nov. 12.

By going a race which many horsemen consider practically the equal of any of his entire career, Peter Scott annexed the big end of the 2:19 trot this afternoon, his share of the purse, $875, bringing his total winnings for the season well over the fifty-thousand-dollar-mark for which he has been striving since the season opened. Only $240 were needed from today's event to bring him up to the round figures, but simply to clinch matters he won the race and made the total $50,635. He might have made the sum a hundred and a quarter larger save for the fact that Virginia Barnette repeated her old trick of going through his clothes for that amount, and also tried hard to go deeper.

It was the third meeting of Peter and Virginia, the most spirited one and the best one all around. The track had not yet reached a point where harrows and floats could be used to any advantage and for a considerable portion presented the appearance of a cobblestone street, a roller having been called into service and the larger humps and ridges somewhat subdued thereby. The best going was about midway from fence to fence, so all the miles were long ones. No sane person after once taking a trip over it would expect miles better than ten or eleven by pacers or thirteen or fourteen by trotters, so the afternoon's performances were, in most instances, truly remarkable.

Matawan, considerably out of place in such company, drew the pole but quickly surrendered it to Scott, Virginia lapping in second position. Down the back stretch Future Tramp went to a break, while Virginia ranged up alongside Peter and had her nose a bit in advance at the half. The second quarter was a bit merrier than the first, and just after passing the halfway house Peter left his feet, probably owing to the bad footing. Virginia had things better and Durfee kept her spinning along, trotting the third quarter in thirty-two seconds and opening up a considerable lead over Peter, who was in turn some lengths in advance of Matawan, behind whom was yet to come Future Tramp. In the stretch Durfee slowed down to let everyone in, winning by about three lengths in 2:12½, an excellent mile for the track. In the second Virginia went away in front, with Scott lapping in second position into the back stretch, where he assumed the pace maker's job, going to the half in 1:05. Virginia trailed him very closely into the stretch, coming through on the pole when Scott swung wide on the better footing and making a sturdy challenge for the heat. With her friends pulling for her vociferously the slight filly trotted up to even terms and seemed about to forge ahead when a little skip caused Durfee to take her up, coming on again with a rush that kept Murphy lifting the Scott horse till the wire was passed, the time being 2:09¾. In the third Virginia raced wide into the back stretch, then dropped into Scott's trail until into the stretch where she squared away in a manner that forced the brown horse to trot the final quarter in :31½ to win. At the distance she was about on even terms, but Peter had something left and drew away to finish in a flat 2:10. Had the day and track been favorable a mile in 2:05 would have been no more worthy of note than were these in 2:09¾ and 2:10 under the existing conditions.

The next most interesting of the day's five events was the 2:20 pace, in which Henry Helman and Mack Fitzsimmons scored their second victory over Tommy Murphy and Jean, the western pair having things their own way throughout. One heat was much like another, the lanky westerner showing the way to the lanky yankee each trip, setting the pace and outbrushing him in the stretch, A. B. C. finishing third and Dicto fourth each time, Oro Mo catching the flag in the second. In the final heat Murphy jumped Jean to even terms at the long distance but the lass lost her feet in the drive, Fitzsimmons winning alone. The average time for the three heats was 2:09.58, while that of their first meeting, on very much faster footing, was 2:08.33, so both have improved in the meantime.

Rico, Will Durfee's chestnut son of Manrico, was the boss of the baby pacers in the junior division of the State Fair futurity, winning from wire to wire in each heat, the field following him in similar array both trips—Julia M., Fiesta Lou and Verna McKinney, Fresno Bond being distanced the first time out. Julia M. outranked the other girls as handily as Rico outclassed her, Fiesta Lou making an unsuccessful effort to catch her in the final drive. Verna McKinney, winner of the similar division of the Breeders' futurity in much faster time, was unsteady in the bad going and escaped the flag in the first heat only through Durfee slackening his pace towards the end of the mile.

Sadie Ansel straight-heated Alesandro for the consolation money of the State Fair classic for two-year-old trotters, but a like purse for three-year-olds threatened for a time to go five heats. May Alto and Winnie Bond took turns in breaking and winning heats and at the conclusion of the third mile the score stood two to one in Winnie's favor. No sooner had Ivey and Daniels dismounted than one of them proposed going another heat at once, so the caretakers en route to the paddock with the fillies were recalled and the fourth and deciding mile raced off, Winnie winning owing to a break in front of the club house by May Alto, right when the latter seemed due to even up the score. Both are much better



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than their performances here would indicate and should mature into useful trotters. The day's results:

Friday, Nov. 12.—State Fair Futurity, two-year-old trotters, consolation purse, $350:

Sadie Ansel, ch f by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½—Lauress by Mendocino 2:19½.....(Dowling) 1 1
Alesandro, b g by Barney Barnato 2:19½—Ramona by Prince Robert.....(Alvord) 2 2
Time—:40½, 1:17 , 1:49 , 2:32
:40 , 1:15½, 1:52 , 2:29½
Distribution of purse—Sadie Ansel $175, Alesandro $87.50, State Fair $87.50.

State Fair Futurity, two-year-old pacers, purse $400:

Rico, ch c by Manrico (3) 2:07¼—Pavlowa B. by Petigru 2:10½.....(Durfee) 1 1
Julia M., b f by El Angelo—Record Searcher by Searchlight 2:03¾.....(Allen) 2 2
Fiesta Lou, b c by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼—Fiesta Queen 2:22½ by On Stanley 2:18½.....(Walker) 3 3
Verna McKinney, b f by Vernon McKinney 2:01½—Ramona by Demonio 2:11¼.....(Daniels) 4 4
Fresno Bond, b c by The Bondsman—Fresno Girl 2:10½ by Seymour Wilkes 2:08½....(W. DeRyder) ds
Time—:35½, 1:09 , 1:46 , 2:21¾
:33¾, 1:08¾, 1:43 , 2:20¼
Distribution of purse—Rico $200, Julia M. $100, Fiesta Lou $60, Verna McKinney $40.

2:19 trot, purse $2000:

Peter Scott, b h by Peter the Great 2:07¼—Jenny Scott 2:14¼ by Bryson 2:16¾.....(Murphy) 2 1 1
Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko-Zephyr 2:07¼ by Zombro 2:11 .....(W. G. Durfee) 1 2 2
Future Tramp, b g by Trampfast (2) 2:12¼—Future Princess Ideal by Chimes (C. A. Durfee) 4 3 3
Matawan, br g by Athadon (1) 2:27—Cora Wickersham by Junio 2:22.....(Schwartz) 3 ds
Time—:33½, 1:06 , 1:38 , 2:12½
:33¼, 1:05 , 1:37 , 2:09¾
:33½, 1:06 , 1:38½, 2:10
Distribution of purse—Peter Scott $875, Virginia Barnette $625, Future Tramp $275, Matawan $75, Association $150.

2:20 pace, purse $2000:

Mack Fitzsimmons, ch g by Bob Fitzsimmons 2:07¾—Jennie High Noon 2:18¼ by High Noon .....(Helman) 1 1 1
Jean, b m by Flosko—Jean Director by Director 2:17.....(Murphy) 2 2 2
A. B. C., bl h by Young Monterey 2:24¼—Rosalie by Dudley 2:14 .....(Chadbourne) 3 3 3
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy 2:17½ .....(W. DeRyder) 4 4 .
Oro Mo, ch g by Demonio 2:11¼—Hanora by Oro Wilkes 2:11 .....(Daniels) 5 ds
Time—:33¼, 1:06¾, 1:39¾, 2:10½
:32¼, 1:04 , 1:36½, 2:08¾
:33½, 1:05 , 1:36¾, 2:09½
Distribution of purse—Mack Fitzsimmons $1000, Jean $500, A. B. C. $300, Dicto $200.

State Fair Futurity, three-year-old trotters, consolation purse $400:

Winnie Bond, b f by The Bondsman—La Moscovita by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼.....(Daniels) 1 2 1 1
May Alto, bl f by Alto Express 2:22¼—Maymonio by Demonio 2:11¼ .....(Ivey) 2 1 2 2
Time—2:32¾, 2:28½, 2:38½, 2:31
Distribution of purse—Winnie Bond $200, May Alto $100, State Fair $100.

Last Day, Saturday, Nov. 13.

With a very slim attendance, pleasant weather and footing much better than that of the last several days, though far from good, the closing program of the exposition meeting was staged this afternoon, four of the seven events being interesting from start to finish. The crowd might have been larger, but it made up in appreciation what it lacked in size, and close finishes and clever drives were well rewarded by generous applause.

The feature event of the day was, of course, the 2:06 pace in which there were ten starters. The similar stake at the June meeting drew a crowd both large and enthusiastic and developed into a great race, but through the announcements earlier in the week to the effect that the present event would probably not be raced very many people gained the idea that it was "all off" and stayed away from the course this afternoon. Only a comparatively few hours of notice was given that the stake had been taken over and guaranteed by Messrs. Will Durfee, Dick McMahon and Tom Murphy, and practically no announcements were made of this move save through the local dailies.

At the spring meeting the outcome of the stake was in doubt to a much greater degree than was the one of today, for at that early date there were a number of entrants concerning whose real capacities the public was more or less in the dark. Dr. Burns loomed for a time as an overwhelming favorite, but his elimination left several very closely matched pacers to compete for the rich prize. Today, however, Hal Boy, the real hero of the June stake and the "runner up" in many of the season's Grand Circuit classics, was conceded to be the logical choice and his victory was confidently predicted in most quarters. It was rather a toss-up for second pick, White Sox and Major Ong both having numerous followers, but conditions being such as to prevent them being regarded as formidable rivals of the favorite. Sox has not been quite right during the meeting, and while the lilliputian military gentleman was as right as they come, he has a most pronounced preference for a very hard track, while Saturday's was still heavy. The Beaver, had Will Fleming been driving, would have been regarded with much more respect, for while Charley Dean is a handy young teamster the Canadian pacer is not "everybody's horse." Red Rock was accorded recognition as dangerous but the balance of the field, on past performance and condition shown of late, was not regarded as formidable to any part of the purse above the five-hundred-dollar cuts. Under all the circumstances, the main interest in the event hinged upon whether the stake's new sponsors, Murphy, Durfee and McMahon, would be able to protect their hole card by drawing first, second and third in the final summary as well as in most of the heats.

Loch Lomond, in no condition whatever to take advantage of the position, was allotted the pole, with Impetuous Palmer laying beside him. The Beaver, White Sox, Hal Boy and Hemet also occupied places in the first tier, Major Ong trailing on the pole and flanked by College Gent, Princess Patch and Red Rock. There was none of the long "sustained interest" which was evidenced through the five heats of the June event, as Hal Boy never left the result in doubt in this one. After a few ragged scores the field came down none too well bunched but all pacing and Starter Updegraff took advantage of the latter feature and gave them the word. McMahon, outside, was well under way at the wire, in a commanding position, and set sail for the pole, Impetuous Palmer,

Hal Boy Wins Stake

Major Ong, White Sox and College Gent being the closest to him around the turn. The Beaver broke early, and down the back stretch Princess Patch closed up a bit, while the Impetuous gentleman lost his chance through a break. The Boy led Ong and Sox into the stretch and the three pulled away to finish a length or so apart at the wire, Sox passing Ong in the stretch and the Boy pacing the final quarter in 29½ seconds. Red Rock came from a bit back to grab fourth place, while Princess Patch just missed getting a piece of the heat money.

So far, all was well in the ranks of the three gamboliers, but early in the second heat a catastrophe impended momentarily—but only momentarily. Hal Boy went away buzzing, as before (only this time he had the pole without racing an extra few yards for it) and just as they were going into the turn Sox broke, her jumpup causing Red Rock and The Beaver to lock wheels in a dangerous manner, the pilots managing to come clear without damage. The Beaver was the first out of the mill, White Sox being sixth and Red Rock last when they settled to pacing again, Hal Boy and Ong going up to the half in 1:03½, with College Gent and The Beaver not far away. It looks like a hard winter in Los Angeles, and William Gee Durfee, facing a double loss, set sail for a piece of that mazuma. Just as in that final heat in June, Sox paced fast and steadily after settling, and by the time the short turn was reached she was well up with The Beaver. The Gent faded in the sprint and Durfee raced safely into third place, with Ong second and The Beaver fourth. McGuire hadn't asked anything of Red Rock save that he finish inside the flag, in last place. The final heat was nuts for the underwriters, Hal Boy, Sox and Ong finishing a handy one-two-three in a nice mile, the last half in 1:02½ and the last quarter in :30 flat, Red Rock racing into fourth place. For an event that offered so many possibilities of some off-color driving it was a most exceptionally good race, and in the writer's opinion there would have been absolutely no change in the money-winners had the drivers had absolutely no interest in the staging of the race. Hal Boy, Sox, Ong and Red Rock "figured" on all dope sheets to finish just as they did in that sort of footing.

One Mr. Charles L. DeRyder of Pleasanton had a most enjoyable afternoon, thank you, being a three time winner, two of his mounts coming under the "prohibitive favorite" category. With the two-year-old pacer Fresno Bond he walked-over for the consolation purse of that division of the State Fair futurity, and with Allie Lou he took the Breeders' three-year-old trot in straight heats. The Hemet Stock Farm filly has not lost a race over the exposition course and reduced her record today to 2:12¾. It seems rather a shame that some of her engagements could not have been raced under truly favorable conditions, as there is no doubt that over a good track, with good racing weather, she would have taken a race record of 2:10 or better. She is a high-class filly in any country, and the many friends of Messrs. Whittier, Doble and Blackwell have derived much pleasure from her winning campaign. Carl, who has been improving with every race he went, was at his best today and was a consistent second throughout the race, though lacking the steam to make him dangerous to the winner. Byron, who outranked him in other starts, was unsteady and could finish no better than third, while George N. Patterson was not at his best by any means. The black fellow has a lot of speed and did some good racing during the summer after recovering from a very severe illness, but was not "on the trot" today, breaks causing him to finish fourth in the first two heats and to be declared distanced in the last one. The colt classics of the season have been raced under disadvantages, and the youngsters participating in them will all bear watching.

Much as Charley enjoyed his "sensational mile" with Fresno Bond—the time being 3:05—and his third victory for Hemet Stock Farm, the performance that really warmed his heart was that of Miss Perfection in the 2:14 trot, the brown filly taking two out of three from the redoubtable Mirthful in finishes that delighted her many friends in the grandstand. Mirthful drew the pole and went to the front with Perfection in the trail, Bonnie Ansel breaking on the turn. Down through the narrows DeRyder began moving up on the big mare, taking the lead around the turn and into the stretch, maintaining the advantage to the wire in a spiritedly contested drive, Mirthful getting no closer than DeRyder's shoulder. Bonnie Ansel trotted well after settling and passed Matawan and Bon Courage to finish third. Mirthful made one of "them things" early in the second mile and was last at the eighth pole, from which point she took up the long stern chase after the leaders. At the half she was third and on the turn second, trotting fast and steadily in a game but unsuccessful effort to land the heat. Inch by inch she cut down the lost ground as the spectators implored Perfection to keep coming, but the best she could do was to finish well lapped up on the winner. In the third Mirthful was on the trot all the way and assumed the lead past the eighth never to relinquish it, Perfection giving up the drive a few yars from the wire after responding gamely to DeRyder's requests in the stretch. Bon Courage went a nice race for Fred Ward and looks to be a good trotter in light hands.

"The best matched bunch of two-year-olds that ever faced a starter on this coast," was the opinion generally prevalent concerning the field in the junior trotting division of the Breeders' futurity, and in the final heat they certainly gave the judges and clerk a task to place them. No better bred band of seven ever came together out here, and they trotted a memorable race. Virginia Humbug, the filly from the Alaska Stables of Ed Dunne, was well thought of by all who were familiar with her season's work, but she had corded badly a couple of days previously and all of Tommy Murphy's skill was required to land her a winner from the half dozen that were hard after her.

Will Durfee and Hermes speared the pole and the field was sent away after a few ragged scores, Hermes breaking in the straightaway and Miss Bond doing an Art Smith stunt on the turn. Millard Sanders took Natalday out to set the pace for Virginia Humbug and The Expense, bringing them into the stretch well in the lead of the others. Once squared away Virginia came through to win by over two lengths from Natalday, who had about the same advantage over The Expense, the latter having left her feet in the stretch when well up in the contention. Charley DeRyder brought Miss Axworthy Dillon into fourth place over Lula B., Miss Bond and Hermes, the time of 2:16¾ being first class for the day and track.



The Stormy Petrel of the Trotting Turf
DICK McMAHON
Going just a little bad gaited, folks, but able to be about—about $12,000 dollars' worth!

Coming out for the second heat Virginia showed a bit lame, the affliction becoming more and more pronounced with each recall, as the babies were a bit bad to get away. Murphy nursed her as best he could, dropping into the windbreak behind Natalday when the word was given, Sanders setting the pace into the stretch with the field occupying relatively similar positions to that point, Virginia, Miss Axworthy Dillon and The Expense being the nearest to him. In the stretch Murphy came through with the tiring Virginia, with the whole track full of colts. Hermes challenged outside but broke, The Expense also leaving her feet, and the whole seven came down together. It looked like too much for Virginia, but she is a real trotter and game to the core. Tommy searched her for every ounce of trot she had and she stuck to her gait like the true-hearted lass her breeding gives her a right to be. As a last resort Tommy took her up in his lap, then straightened out those long legs of his and turned her loose, the slide giving her just enough of a shoot to send her across the wire a winner—dead game and dying on a trot. Right at her in the order named were Natalday (whom Sanders had also given a strenuous teaming), Miss Axworthy Dillon, Hermes, The Expense, Lula B. and Miss Bond, the finish creating the most enthusiasm of any of the day. The winner's time was 2:18 and not a colt was over two or three lengths away from her.

The three-year-old pacing division of the State Fair futurity had only two starters, I. L. Borden's Sheldon B. and D. W. Wallis' Bondholder. Both colts showed more or less unsteadiness but Sheldon B. had the most lick when on a pace and won in straight heats, his victory being the first of the meeting for that good fried of the trotter, his owner. Mr. Wallis' colt worked his home track much better than the time in today's race, but like other members of the stable trained off when changed to Pleasanton and then down here.

The last race of the meeting, the 2:17 pace, had only three starters and was pickings for Henry Helman, the one trainer present who had the Indian sign on Tommy Murphy whenever they came together, defeating Jean twice with Mack Fitzsimmons and Hal S. twice with Prince Zolock, the Salinas-Oregon-Washington combination having a clean score of four wins out of four starts. The roan gelding is a notorious front runner, and in the opening heat Murphy kept him behind Zolock until well down the back stretch when he let him go, winning more on account of a break on Zolock's part than on Hal's finishing ability. The program was reversed in the second and Helman won easily in a stretch drive, Murphy going back to his first plan in the final heat. Hal pulled as hard as ever in behind and when let out went into the lead only to break in the stretch and be passed by both Zolock and Zoetrix, even making a dive for the paddock when that point was reached. Tom straightened him out with line and whip, gave him one extra for luck as they went under the wire—and the exposition meeting was over. The day in detail follows:

Saturday, Nov. 13—State Fair Futurity, two-year-old pacers, consolation purse $250:
Fresno Bond, b c by The Bondsman—Fresno Girl 2:10½
by Seymour Wilkes 2:08½.....(C. L. DeRyder) 1
Time—3:05.

Distribution of purse—Fresno Bond $125, State Fair $125.

Breeders Futurity, three-year-old trotters, purse $2800 ($2500 to race, $200 to nominator of dam on whose original entry is named the winner of this division of the stake, and $100 to owner of stallion, sire of winner, when mare was bred):
Allie Lou, br f by Kinney Lou 2:07¾—Lady Zombro 2:24¼ by Zombro 2:11 (C. L DeRyder) 1 1 1
Carl, bl g by Carlokin 2:07½—My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½.....(C. A. Durfee) 2 2 2
Byron, bl c by Tom Moko 2:13—Rita H. 2:12½ by McKinney 2:11¼ .....(W. G. Durfee) 3 3 3
Geo. N. Patterson, bl c by On Voyage (3) 2:25¾—Yu Tu by R. Ambush 2:09¼.....(Rutherford) 4 4 ds
Time—:33½, 1:06 , 1:39½, 2:14¼
:33½, 1:05 , 1:39 , 2:12¾
:33¾, 1:07 , 1:40¾, 2:14½

Distribution of purse—Allie Lou $1,500, Carl $625, Byron $375, Hemet Stock Farm $200, Budd Doble $100.

Breeders Futurity, two-year-old trotters, purse $1400 ($1300 to race and $100 to nominator of dam on whose original entry is named the winner of this division of the stake):
Virginia Humbug, b f by Cochato 2:11½—Baroness Maid by Baron Wilkes 2:18.....(Murphy) 1 1
Natalday, b c by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼—Ella J. by Bob Mason 2:27¼ .....(Sanders) 2 2
Miss Axworthy Dillon, b f by Axworthy 2:15½—Cleo Dillon 2:13¾ by Sidney Dillon (C. L. DeRyder) 4 3
The Expense, br f by The Proof 2:10¾—Nusta 2:23½

by Nushagak .....(Spencer) 3 5
Hermes, br c by Carlokin 2:07½—Miss Quealey 2:26¾ by Moko .....(W. G. Durfee) 7 4
Lulu B., b f by The Bondsman—Loma B. by Stam B. 2:11¼ .....(Clark) 5 6
Miss Bond, b f by The Bondsman—Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon .....(W. C. DeRyder) 6 7

Time—:34½, 1:08 , 1:42 , 2:16¾
:34½, 1:08 , 1:42½, 2:18

Distribution of purse—Virginia Humbug $650, Natalday $325, Miss Axworthy Dillon $195, The Expense $130, I. L. Borden, owner of original nomination, $100.

State Fair Futurity, three-year-old pacers, purse $1100 ($1000 to race and $100 to owner of stallion, sire of winner when mare was bred):

Sheldon B., ch g by Barney Barnato 2:19½—Ramona by Prince Robert.....(Alvord) 1 1 1
Bondholder, b c by The Bondsman—Corinne Sidmoor 2:17¾ .....(Allen) 2 2 2

Time—:36¾, 1:12 , 1:45¾, 2:20¾
:35½, 1:08½, 1:44 , 2:21
:35 , 1:10½, 1:47¼, 2:25½

Division of purse—Sheldon B. $550, Bondholder $275, State Fair $275, I. L. Borden $100.

2:06 pace, purse $20,000:

Hal Boy, b g by Hal B. 2:04½—Altalena by Altamont 2:26¾ .....(McMahon) 1 1 1
White Sox, b m by Del Coronado 2:09½—Subito by Steinway (3) 2:25¾.....(W. G. Durfee) 2 3 2
Major Ong, b g by Major Gantz 2:08½—Bessie J. by Iowa Sentinel 2:29¾ .....(Murphy) 3 2 3
Red Rock, ch g by Louis Wilkes 2:15½—Red Bird by E. S. 2:11¾ .....(McGuire) 4 7 4
The Beaver, br h by Searchlight 2:03¼—Ripple 2:28½ by Glenbrook .....(Dean) 8 4 6
Princess Patch, b m by Dan Patch 1:55¼—International Queen 2:13½ by Tom Exum 2:15½.... .....(Macey) 5 6 5
College Gent, bl h by Kentucky Patterson—Belle H. by Senator Crisp.....(Barnes) 6 5 7
Loch Lomond, b g by Zolock 2:05¾—Daisy McKinney by McKinney 2:11¼.....(Alvord) 7 dr
Hemet, br g by Geo. W. McKinney 2:14½—Lady Zombro 2:24¼ by Zombro 2:11.....(Walker) ds
Impetuous Palmer, b h by Impetuous Devil 2:21¾—Lilee Palmer by Norval King 2:12¾... .....(Frank) ds

Time—:31½, 1:04¼, 1:38½, 2:08
:31½, 1:03½, 1:36 , 2:06
:31½, 1:04 , 1:36½, 2:06½

Distribution of purse—Hay Boy $10,000, White Sox $4,500, Major Ong $3,500, Red Rock $1,500, The Beaver $500.

2:14 trot, purse $2,000:

Miss Perfection, br m by Gen. Watts (3) 2:06¾—Sue Fletcher by Tregantle 2:09¼(C. L. DeRyder)1 1 2
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen—Lizzie Belle Smith by George Simmons 2:28 (Murphy) 2 2 1
Bon Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney (3) 2:24¼—Helen Keyes by Sidney Dillon.....(Ward) 4 4 3
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½—Woodland Bonnie Derby by Chas. Derby 2:20.. .....(Spencer) 3 3 dr
Matawan, br g by Athadon (1) 2:27—Cora Wickersham by Junio 2:22.....(Schwartz) ds

Time—:33¼, 1:06¾, 1:39 , 2:10½
:32½, 1:05½, 1:39 , 2:10½
:32½, 1:04½, 1:38 , 2:09¼

Distribution of purse—Miss Perfection $875, Mirthful $625, Bon Courage $250, Bonnie Ansel $150, Association $100.

2:17 pace, purse $2000:

Prince Zolock, bl h by Zolock 2:05¼—Princess Direct 2:28¼ by Teddy A.....(Helman) 2 1 1
Hal S., rn g by Hal Chaffin 2:05¾—Bessie Hal by Red Hal 2:13¾.....(Murphy) 1 2 3
Zoetrix, ch m by Zolock 2:05¼—Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16.....(Chadbourne) 3 3 2

Time—:34½, 1:06½, 1:40 , 2:13¾
:31¾, 1:03½, 1:37¾, 2:10
:34¼, 1:07¾, 1:42 , 2:14

Distribution of purse—Prince Zolock $875, Hal S. $575, Zoetrix $350, Association $200.

Aside from the discomforts occasioned by the few rainy hours—discomforts no more pronounced than usual at any track under similar weather conditions—and the numerous unaccustomed restrictions of an "e-x-p-o-s-i-t-i-o-n," the meeting passed off smoothly, especially insofar as the actual racing was concerned. There were no long scores and no delays. Starter Updegraff had his fields well in hand at all times and Tom McInerney, in the paddock, had the next bunch walking toward the gate as the ones just raced were headed back from the wire. Magnus Flaws, as presiding judge, and Messrs. John A. McKerron and Robert S. Brown, as associates, saw to the enforcement of the rules and regulations of racing, while Jack Dinue haunted the back stretch and turns as patrol judge. George B. Kelley handled the work of clerk of the course, I. B. Dalziel officiated as marshal, Sandy Smith did the dirty work with the red bunting, and the time was taken by S. Christenson, Dan Hoffman and Earnest Doyle. The patrol judge reported clean racing throughout during the time the fields were in his territory, and the time never varied over a slight fraction from that caught by the clockers in the stand.

With the close of the P.-P. I. E. meeting, most horsemen went into winter quarters, though a few had further engagements. Will Durfee, Chas. Silva, John Quinn, Charley Spencer and J. N. Jones sent certain members of their stables to Phoenix to take part in the Arizona State Fair, which closes today, while local breeders having colts engaged in the Pleasanton futurities shipped there to await the racing of those events on Saturday, Nov. 27. All of our visitors from afar pulled for home with the exception of the horses of the International 1:55 Farm, which Railey Macey will winter at Los Angeles, being convinced that the City of Angels offers excellent opportunities for getting ready for next year. Those having the longest rides before them were Tommy Murphy, to Poughkeepsie; Dick McMahon, to Libertyville; Sam Harris, to Plymouth, and the Canadian contingent composed of Barney Barnes and Will Fleming, to Winnipeg. The shipments of the latter trainers were augmented by the presence of Joe Patchen II. 2:03¼ and Quintell 2:12¼, who will do stud duty in the dominion, and a few others recently purchased, including Little Express (2) 2:20, Jim Hill 2:09¼ and Marlin trial 2:08¼ pacing. Mr. Fleming was improving steadily prior to his departure and Barney Barnes was almost as good as new, so we hope to have them back with us in the future.

Messrs. Magnus Flaws and O. P. Updegraff, the ruling spirits of the judges' stand, stopped at Phoenix enroute home to fill engagements at the Arizona State Fair, where Updegraff will start the harness horses while Magnus handles the barrier for the runners. They have had a long and successful season and will no doubt relish an evening or so by the home fireside when the opportunity rolls around.

STONY FORD FARM BUYS WOODLAND MARES.

C. A. Harrison of Seattle, who has been under the weather for some time with an injured back, made a hurried trip to Woodland Stock Farm late last week and made a veritable "cleanup sale" of a number of the choicest mares and fillies on the farm, some of them the property of the incorporation and the remainder, the most select, the property of Mr. Harrison himself, according to our advices. Mr. Louis Titus of Stony Ford Farm, Stony Ford, New York, was the purchaser and the sales were made largely through the medium of S. Christenson of this city. The individuals sold to Mr. Titus for the account of Woodland Stock Farm are as follows:

Ruby Crellin, bay mare by C. the Limit 2:03¼, dam La Moscovita by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼; in foal to Robert Bingen 2:11¼.

Sonoma Queen, chestnut mare by Sonoma King, dam Olive Dillon by Sidney Dillon; in foal to Robert Bingen.

Bay filly, weanling, by True Kinney 2:12¼, dam The Attraction by Peter the Great 2:07¼.

Bay filly, weanling, by Robert Bingen 2:11¼, dam Fair Recluse by Moko.

Bay filly, weanling, by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, dam Goldie McKinney by Prince McKinney 45079.

Bay filly, weanling, by Robert Bingen 2:11¼, dam Ruby Crellin by C. the Limit 2:03¼.

These two mares and four weanlings constitute the draft from Woodland Stock Farm, while the following individuals, previously understood by the public in general to belong to the farm but in reality owned by Mr. Harrison, according to latest reports, were sold to Mr. Titus for the personal account of the Seattle horseman:

Carrietta 2:18 (dam of four standard yearling trotters, etc.) by Directman, dam Black Bird by Stranger; in foal to Robert Bingen.

Chestnut filly, weanling, by Peter the Great 2:07¼, dam Carrietta 2:18.

Ila Moko (dam of Anselila (1) 2:17½) by Moko, dam Dictator's Last by Dictator 113; in foal to Robert Bingen.

Verbena Mc (dam of Verbena Ansel (1) 2:22½) by Directum Spier 2:11¼, dam Baroness Lavinia by Baron Wilkes 2:17; in foal to Prince Ansel.

Silver Haw (dam of Helen Stiles 2:06¼) by Silver Bow 2:16, dam Torser by Hawthorne; in foal to True Kinney.

Ella J. T. (dam of Honey Healey 2:08¼, San Felipe 2:09¾, etc.) by Bob Mason 2:27¼, dam Miss Taylor by A. W. Richmond; in foal to True Kinney.

Eocita by Moko, dam Mendocita by Mendocino 2:19½; in foal to Prince Ansel.

Fair Recluse by Moko, dam Menrosa by Mendocino 2:19½; in foal to Robert Bingen.

Bonhilda by Moko, dam Bonilla by Adbell (1) 2:23; in foal to Robert Bingen.

Alma V. McGregor by Jay McGregor 2:07¼, dam East Morn by Baron Wilkes 2:18; in foal to Robert Bingen.

Goldie McKinney by Prince McKinney, dam Kitty Todd by Todd; in foal to Prince Ansel.

Baroness Spier by Directum Spier 2:11¼, dam Baroness Hester by Baron Wilkes; in foal to Prince Ansel.

Mr. Titus has also secured a few other mares through S. Christenson and the entire band will be taken east by "Red" MacDonald, who formerly looked after the shipping of the MacKenzie horses, so that they should go through in excellent condition. With this sale, the most select band of mares that has been assembled in late years on this coast is broken up, and Mr. Harrison expresses regret that they were not bought by California breeders. Prince Ansel, the performance of whose yearlings has been such a source of pleasure this season to Mr. Considine, may also leave California, as it is reported that eastern parties are negotiating for his purchase.

PROTEST AGAINST CHARLES BECKER NOT SUSTAINED.

During the progress of the June meeting at the P.-P. I. E. protest was made by W. J. Kenney of this city against Charles Becker as an amateur driver, the particular race involved being the 2:15 pace for amateurs, in which Mr. Becker drove the chestnut mare Mabel Dillon, owned by Ben Cohen, Mr. Kenney having contested in the same event with the b gelding W. J. K.

On Friday night of last week, November 12, t case was heard in this city by Messrs. B. F. Ru of Suisun, California, and J. H. Booth of Rosebu Oregon, these gentlemen constituting a quorum the Pacific District Board of Appeals of the Nation Trotting Association, under whose rules the meeti was conducted. Messrs. Geo. J. Giannini, Ben Coh and Charles Becker were questioned under oat while Mr. Kenney's testimony was incorporated his original affidavit, supported by letters whi lacked legal certification. After reviewing all tes mony submitted, verbal and written, the board he that the protest was not sustained and found for M Becker, thus clearing the way for the payment purse money which had been held up pending th hearing.

M. W. JOHNSON DIES IN ILLINOIS.

Tuesday morning Associated Press dispatches bor tidings of the death of M. W. Johnson at his hom near Assumption, Illinois, the news being a surpris to local acquaintances of the Illinois breeder. He wa missing from some of the meetings during the seaso at which he is generally a "fixture," but the gravit of his condition was not realized until the end wa neared. Mr. Johnson owned the good race horse an sire Colonel Cochran 2:10½ and for many year raced an extensive stable of both trotters and pacer many of them of his own breeding. His activitie in this line were confined largely to the tracks of th central west, but many people who never met hir knew him well through many able contributions t the press concerning the horse, as well as throug numerous ideas conceived by him and carried int practical everyday use "in the business." To th work he best loved he devoted much time and energ and the resources of an inventive mind. Many horse men are not "good business men," but Mr. Johnson' office system, of his own devising, was a thing o perfection and the basis of those at present in vogu in many large establishments. He was one of th most progressive men of his state, and the vacanc left by his demise will not easily be filled.

PHOENIX SUMMARIES.

Monday, Nov. 5.—2:25 trot, Arizona horses, purse $1000

Naboth Jr., ch g, untraced.....(McEuen) 1 2
Sadie View, br m by Direct View.....(Selman) 2 5
Lady Leco, bl m by Cochise.....(Bunch) 5 1
Meridian Jr., bl g by Meridian.....(Mooney) 3 3
Delfino, bl m by Oh So.....(Lopez) 4 4

Time—2:14½, 2:15½, 2:14¼.

2:20 pace, Arizona horses, purse $1,000:

Zombrino, bl h by Prince Zombro.....(Bunch) 1 2
Gay Tommie, b g by Tom Ferguson.....(McNab) 2 1
Queen T., b m by Oh So.....(J. McEuen) 3 4
Direct So, br h by Direct View.....(L. McEuen) 4 3
MacLeland, br g by Leland D.....(Wheat) 5 6
Kuropatkin, br h by Gambetta Wilkes..(Barkley) 6 5

Time—2:21¼, 2:25¼, 2:21¼.

Two-year-old trot, Arizona horses, purse $500:

Navajo, b f by Dr. Clark.....(Bunch) 1
Belzabola, b f by Redlac.....(Carman) 2
Dr. Davidson, b c by Dr. Clark.....(Clark) 3
Della Patch, b m by Patchlock.....(Owens) 4

Time—2:34, 2:27¼.

Tuesday, Nov. 16.—Two-year-old pace, Arizona horses purse $500:

Marguerite, b f by Airault.....(Enfield) 1
Vic, b g by Director.....(Clark) 2
Lelia Mac, b f by Leland D.....(Wheat) 4
Dama, bl c by Directly.....(Selman) 3

Time—2:35, 2:37½.

2:12 trot, purse $1,000:

The Proof, b h by The Exponent.....(Daniels) 2 2 1
Mabel Van, b m by On Stanley.....(Best) 3 1 2
Sadie View, br m by Direct View.....(Wheat) 4 4 3
Sargo, b g by Keeler.....(Durfee) 1 3 dr

Time—2:11½, 2:11½, 2:14¼.

2:04 pace, purse $1,000:

White Sox, b m by Del Coronado.....(Durfee) 1 3 1
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio.....(Daniels) 2 1 2
Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney.....(Jones) 3 2 3

Time—2:06½, 2:06¼, 2:06¼.

Wednesday, Nov. 17.—Three-year-old trot, Arizona horses, purse $500:

Otis Jr., b c by James Otis.....(Wheat) 1 1
Irene Strathmore, ch f by Knight of Strathmore.. .....(Carman) 2 2
Navajo, b f by Dr. Clark.....(Bunch) 3 4
Dr. Davidson, b c by Dr. Clark.....(Clark) 4 3
Miss Emily, b f by Knight of Strathmore (Selman) 5 5
Baby Joy, ch c by Direct So.....(McEuen) 6 6

Time—2:22¼, 2:22¼.

2:15 pace, purse $1,000:

Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro.....(Durfee) 1 3 1
Gay Tommie, b g by Tom Ferguson...(McNab) 3 1 3
Zombrino, bl h by Prince Zombro.....(Bunch) 2 2 2

Time—2:18¼, 2:16¼, 2:23¼.

Three-year-old pace, Arizona horses, purse $500:

Roxie D., b f by Leland D.....(Enfield) 1 1
May Della, bl f by Lou Kinney.....(Carman) 2 2
Vinie B., b f by Leland D.....(Clark) 3 3
Marguerite, b f by Airault.....(Yore) 4 4

Time—2:23½, 2:20¼.

R. J. MacKenzie, of whom Californians have seen but little during the present season owing to the press of business of affairs in Canada, returned early in the week to his northern strongholds after taking in the exposition races.

Statistics of Fall Meeting at Exposition

COMPILED BY WILL M. NEAL

The Winners by Classes with the Time and the Purse

TROTTING EVENTS.

Class.	Winner and Driver.	No. of Heats.	Fastest Heat.	Slowest Heat.	Value.
2:20	Virginia Barnette (W. G. Durfee)	3	2:09¾	2.12	$2,000
2:15	Mirthful (T. W. Murphy)	3	2:10¼	2:10¾	2,000
3-y-o	(Occident) Allie Lou (C. L. DeRyder)	3	2:15½	2:16	2,885
2:10	Peter Scott (T. W. Murphy)	3	2:07¼	2:09½	20,000
2:30	Peter Scott (T. W. Murphy)	3	2:08¼	2:09¼	2,000
2:17	The Proof (C. A. Spencer)	3	2:17½	2:20	2,000
f-f-a	(Amateur) Maymack (R. A. Smith)	3	2:09¼	2:11¼	2,000
2:13	Mirthful (T. W. Murphy)	3	2:09½	2:13½	2,000
3-y-o	(State Fair) Allie Lou (C. L. DeRyder)	3	2:13¼	2:14	1,400
2:08	Peter Scott (T. W. Murphy)	3	2:08¾	2:11	5,000
3-y-o	(Stanford) Geo. N. Patterson (Homer Rutherford)	3	2:31½	2:39¾	1,320
2:16	Mirthful (T. W. Murphy)	3	2:29	2:36	2,000
2-y-o	(State Fair) Natalday (Millard Sanders)	2	2:29½	2:32	600
2:09	Albaloma (J. P. Quinn)	3	2:22	2:25	2,500
2-y-o	(S. F. Consolation) Sadie Ansel (H. S. Dowling)	2	2:29¼	2:32	350
2:19	Peter Scott (T. W. Murphy)	3	2:09¾	2:12½	2,000
3-y-o	(S. F. Consolation) Winnie Bond (L. B. Daniels)	4	2:28½	2:38½	400
3-y-o	(Breeders') Allie Lou (C. L. DeRyder)	3	2:12¾	2:14½	2,500
2-y-o	(Breeders') Virginia Humbug (T. W. Murphy)	2	2:16¾	2:18	1,200
2:14	Miss Perfection (C. L. DeRyder)	3	2:09¼	2:10½	2,000

Total trotting purses.....$56,155

PACING EVENTS.

Class.	Winner and Driver.	No. of Heats.	Fastest Heat.	Slowest Heat.	Value.
2:09	Major Ong (T. W. Murphy)	3	2:06½	2:09½	$2,500
2:12	Hal Boy (Dick McMahon)	3	2:06¾	2:08¼	2,000
2:15	Prince Zolock (Henry Helman)	3	2:07¼	2:08¼	2,000
f-f-a	(Amateur) Leata J. (Chester Jones)	3	2:06½	2:08¾	2,000
2-y-o	(Breeders') Verna McKinney (L. B. Daniels)	2	2:13¼	2:13¾	1,000
2:25	Mack Fitzsimmons (Henry Helman)	3	2:07¾	2:08¾	2,000
3-y-o	(Breeders') Bondalean (L. B. Daniels)	4	2:09¾	2:13½	1,500
2:07	Major Ong (T. W. Murphy)	3	2:04¼	2:07¼	1,500
2:11	Hal Boy (Dick McMahon)	3	2:14½	2:19	2,000
2-y-o	(State Fair) Rico (W. G. Durfee)	2	2:20¼	2:21¾	400
2:20	Mack Fitzsimmons (Henry Helman)	3	2:08¾	2:10½	2,000
2-y-o	S. F. Consolation) Fresno Bond (C. L. DeRyder)	1	3:05	3:05	250
3-y-o	(State Fair) Sheldon B. (W. Alvord)	3	2:20¾	2:25½	1,100
2:06	Hal Boy (Dick McMahon) (Entrance paid in taken over and event raced and guaranteed by Dick McMahon, T. W. Murphy and W. G. Durfee)	3	2:06	2:08	20,000
2:17	Prince Zolock (Henry Helman)	3	2:10	2:14	2,000

Total pacing purses.....$42,250

Specials for Breeders and Stallion Owners

In addition to the above purses the sum of One Thousand Dollars was distributed through the medium of the State Fair and Breeders' Futurities to the nominators on whose original entries were named the winners of these events, and to the owners of the sires of the winners at the time mares were bred. This sum was allotted as follows: In the State Fair Futurity for 3-yr.-old trotters Allie Lou won $100 for Budd Doble; in the State Fair Futurity for 3-yr-old pacers, Sheldon B. won $100 for I. L. Borden; in the Breeders' Futurity for 3-yr-old trotters Allie Lou won $200 for Hemet Stock Farm and $100 for Budd Doble; in the Breeders' Futurity for 3-yr.-old pacers Bondalean won $200 for the Estate of W. J. Miller and $100 for C. P. McCan; in the Breeders' Futurity for 2-yr.-old trotters Virginia Humbug won $100 for I. L. Borden, and in the Breeders' Futurity for 2-yr.-old pacers Verna McKinney won $100 for A. L. Scott.

The Way the Money Went Among the Drivers

Name and Address.	Number races in which won money.	Amount won.
Thomas W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie, New York	16	$25,743.75
William G. Durfee, Los Angeles, California	17	13,197.75
Richard McMahon, Libertyville, Illinois	4	12,562.50
Charles L. DeRyder, Pleasanton, California	9	10,412.50
Henry Helman, Salinas, California	4	3,750.00
Loren B. Daniels, Sacramento, California	10	3,433.75
John P. Quinn, Sacramento, California	3	3,312.50
William C. DeRyder, Pleasanton, California	3	2,600.00
Charles A. Spencer, Pleasanton, California	6	2,430.00
Joseph F. McGuire, Denver, Colorado	3	2,225.00
Charles A. Durfee, Oakland, California	5	1,838.50
Robert A. Smith, Los Angeles, California	2	1,450.00
Charles Dean, Jr., Palatine, Illinois	2	1,000.00
Millard Sanders, Pleasanton, California	3	1,000.00
Fred Chadbourne, Pleasanton, California	5	950.00
Timothy D. Sexton, Oakland, California	2	925.00
Railey Macey, Minneapolis, Minnesota	3	900.00
Homer Rutherford, Pleasanton, California	1	880.00
Chester C. Jones, Stockton, California	1	$ 875.00
Barney Barnes, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada	2	850.00
William Alvord, San Jose, California	3	837.50
Walter Tryon, Sacramento, California	2	600.00
Al Schwartz, San Francisco, California	2	600.00
William Finley, Santa Maria, California	2	550.00
Fred E. Ward, Los Angeles, California	2	525.00
Clarence J. Berry, San Francisco, California	1	400.00
David A. Allen, Newman, California	2	375.00
Charles F. Silva, Sacramento, California	1	300.00
Harry S. Dowling, Woodland, California	1	175.00
Fred Woodcock, Forest Grove, Oregon	1	150.00
A. Ottinger, San Francisco, California	1	150.00
Moody Leggett, Hanford, California	1	126.25
Ben Walker, Pleasanton, California	2	110.00
Ted Hayes, Butte, Montana	1	100.00
William Ivey, Sacramento, California	1	100.00
William Smith, San Francisco, California	1	50.00

Earning of the Winners and How They Raced

TROTTERS

Name of Horse	Number of Races	Heats Contested	Heats First	Heats Second	Heats Third	Heats Fourth	Heats Unplaced	Amount Won
Peter Scott, br h by Peter the Great	4	12	10	2	0	0	0	$14,250.00
Miss Perfection, br m (4) by General Watts	2	6	2	4	0	0	0	5,875.00
Allie Lou, br f (3) by Kinney Lou	3	9	8	1	0	0	0	3,642.50
Mirthful, b m by The Star of Patchen	4	12	10	2	0	0	0	3,625.00
Virginia Barnette, b m (4) by Moko	4	12	4	5	1	2	0	2,825.00
Esperanza, b m (4) by Carlokin	3	9	1	3	2	3	0	2,618.75
Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney	1	3	0	0	2	0	1	2,250.00
Albaloma, b g by Almaden D	2	6	1	4	1	0	0	2,062.50
Byron, bl c (3) by Tom Moko	3	9	1	5	3	0	0	1,879.00
Carl, bl c (3) by Carlokin	4	12	0	6	6	0	0	1,563.50
Baby Doll, b m by Tom Smith	1	3	0	0	1	0	2	1,250.00
Future Tramp, b g by Trampfast	3	9	1	2	5	1	0	1,200.00
The Proof, b h by The Exponent	2	6	2	1	3	0	0	1,175.00
Bonnie Ansel, b m by Prince Ansel	3	8	1	3	4	0	0	1,125.00
Seneca Boy, ch g by King Entertainer	2	6	0	6	0	0	0	1,000.00
Geo. N. Patterson, bl c (3) by On Voyage	2	6	3	0	0	2	1	880.00
Maymack, b m by Arthur Wilkes	1	3	2	0	1	0	0	825.00
Virginia Humbug b f (3) by Cochato	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	650.00
Electric Patch, bl h (4) by Dan Patch	2	6	0	0	2	1	3	625.00
Bon Courage, ch g by Bon McKinney	4	10	0	0	3	5	2	625.00
Natalday, br c by Wilbur Lou	2	4	2	2	0	0	0	625.00
Matawan, br g by Athadon	4	7	1	0	3	0	3	600.00
Kid Cupid, ch g by Cupid	1	3	1	0	2	0	0	593.75
John Mack, b g by Geo. A. Fuller	1	3	0	2	1	0	0	450.00
Old Folks, b g by Del Coronado	1	3	0	2	1	0	0	400.00
Miss Axworthy Dillon, b f (2) by Axworthy	2	4	0	0	2	2	0	270.00
Columbia T., b m by Bon Guy	1	3	0	0	1	2	0	225.00
Major's By Guy, br h by Major Dillon	2	4	0	0	0	3	1	200.00
Winnie Bond, b f (3) by The Bondsman	2	5	3	1	0	0	1	200.00
Sadie Ansel, b f (2) by Prince Ansel	2	4	2	0	0	0	2	175.00
Miss Bond, b f (2) by The Bondsman	2	4	0	2	0	0	2	150.00
The Expense, b f (2) by The Proof	1	2	0	0	1	0	1	130.00
May Alto, b f (3) by Alto Express	3	7	1	3	0	1	2	100.00
Alesandro, b g (2) by Barney Barnato	2	3	0	2	0	0	1	87.50
Hermes, br g (2) by Carlokin	2	4	0	0	1	2	1	75.00

Total Amount Raced for at June and November Meetings $195,905

PACERS

Name of Horse	Number of Races	Heats Contested	Heats First	Heats Second	Heats Third	Heats Fourth	Heats Unplaced	Amount Won
Hal Boy, b g by Hal B	3	9	9	0	0	0	0	$12,000.00
White Sox, b m by Del Coronado	3	9	1	7	1	0	0	5,450.00
Major Ong, b g by Major Gantz	3	9	5	2	2	0	0	5,343.75
Red Rock, ch g by Louis Wilkes	3	9	0	4	0	3	2	2,225.00
Mack Fitzsimmons, ch g by Bob Fitzsimmons	2	6	6	0	0	0	0	2,000.00
Prince Zolock, bl h by Zolock	2	6	4	2	0	0	0	1,750.00
The Beaver, br h by Searchlight	2	6	0	2	1	1	2	1,062.50
Jean, b m by Flosko	2	6	0	6	0	0	0	1,000.00
Hal S., ro g by Hal Chaffin	2	6	1	1	4	0	0	875.00
Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney	1	3	2	1	0	0	0	875.00
Bondalean, b c (3) by The Bondsman	1	4	1	1	0	0	0	750.00
John Malcolm, br g by Dan Logan	2	6	1	0	2	2	1	650.00
Strathtell, b h by Motell	1	3	1	2	0	0	0	625.00
Sheldon B., b g (3) by Barney Barnato	2	5	3	0	0	0	2	550.00
Verna McKinney, bf(2) by Vernon McKinney	2	4	2	0	0	2	0	540.00
A. B. C., bl g by Young Monterey	2	6	1	0	3	3	0	500.00
Rico, ch c (2) by Manrico	2	4	2	2	0	0	0	450.00
Teddy Bear, b h by Del Coronado	2	6	0	0	3	3	0	450.00
Pointer's Daughter, b m by Star Pointer	2	4	0	1	2	0	1	400.00
Zoetrix, ch m by Zolock	2	5	0	1	2	1	1	400.00
Greatness, br f (3) by Peter Wilton	1	4	1	1	2	0	0	375.00
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio	1	3	0	1	1	1	0	325.00
Contention B., b g (4) by Copa de Oro	1	3	0	0	3	0	0	300.00
Bondholder, b c (3) by The Bondsman	1	3	0	3	0	0	0	275.00
Princess Patch, b m by Dan Patch	3	9	0	0	1	3	5	275.00
Rayo de Oro, ch c (3) by Copa de Oro	1	4	0	2	2	0	0	225.00
College Gent, bl h by Kentucky Patterson	2	6	0	0	3	0	3	225.00
Dicto, b g by Dictatus Medium	3	9	0	0	0	3	6	200.00
Captain Mack, br c (2) by The Bondsman	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	150.00
Ben Corbett Jr., b g by Ben Corbett	2	5	0	0	0	2	3	150.00
Dixon Boy, b g (3) by The Patchen Boy	1	4	0	0	0	4	0	150.00
Dick W., b g by Athadon	1	3	0	0	0	2	1	150.00
Soumise, b m by Billy Dunlap	2	4	0	0	1	1	2	126.25
Fresno Bond, b c (2) by The Bondsman	3	4	1	0	0	0	3	125.00
Fiesta Lou, b f (2) by Wilbur Lou	2	4	0	0	2	1	1	110.00
Julia M., b f (2) by El Angelo	1	2	0	2	0	0	0	100.00
The Puzzler, b g (3) by Cochato	1	2	0	0	0	1	1	50.00
W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince	1	3	0	0	0	1	2	50.00

Recent Innovations at Successful Fairs

New Ideas that Appeal to Boys and Girls

Three bronzed farmers sat in the shade of a large exhibit building at one of the leading American state fairs the past fall fanning themselves with their hat brims, and wiping the sweat from their brows as they rested. They had spent the entire day walking from one part of the grounds to the other, and gained a wholesome respect for the educational value and immense scope of the exposition. But apparently none of them had peeped behind the scenes that day, and stopped to think. At that very moment, within a stone's throw, an interesting contest was in progress. Fifty-two boys and girls from all parts of the state, gathered in the school exhibits building, were competing for the state spelling championship. The contestants were the pick of the best spellers in the commonwealth, and so much interest had been aroused in the contest that there was a lack of room for all the visitors and many had to be turned away. During the previous winter and spring thousands of children, large and small, filled with a desire to spell well, had attended hundreds of spelling contests, in country and city, in rural schoolhouses and high school auditoriums, to compete for the honor of representing their counties in the final event at the state fair. Months before, it had been announced in every school in the state that each county would be entitled to two representatives.

The trip not only cost them nothing, but the premiums won by successful contestants gave the best spellers some extra spending money. The expense of the visit was paid by a 10-cent admission fee, taken in at the final county contest. A written test in which 100 words were given was held in the morning, while an oral competition in which three spelling books and three hours of time were needed to pick the winners was held in the afternoon. The proficiency of the children was a revelation even to the judges.

Only a few paces away, in the same building, two other contests were being conducted that were quite as interesting. In one of them 59 girls were competing for the state bread-making championship; in the other 53 boys and girls were trying for the state canning championship. These two contests had attracted thousands of visitors the entire week, and caused the school exhibits building to become one of the principal centers of interest on the grounds.

This contest was the climax of a great movement for better bread that had been stirring the state from one end to the other. During the previous winter, spring, and summer, scores of breadmaking contests had been held in nearly every county, under supervision of the county superintendents of schools, weeding out the poorer breadmakers. More than 2,500 girls, some with domestic science training, but most of them with none but home training, had taken part. What was the incentive? The goal was a visit to the state fair, with part or all expenses paid by the fair management and a chance to win the prizes offered the best bakers. The girls were divided into groups of a dozen each. Every day one of these groups, in full view, competed for honors. Four long benches placed before the platform upon which the girls worked were occupied by spectators from early morning until late afternoon, watching a few girls doing nothing more exciting than mixing flour, kneading dough, rolling loaves, and strolling to and fro with their eyes on the oven as the bread turned a delicious brown. Yet some would say that a ballyhoo dancer is needed to make a fair a success.

There was keen interest in the canning contest, conducted under the supervision of a specialist of the United States Department of Agriculture, primarily to demonstrate the different kinds of canners best suited for home use in that part of the country. Some of the girls in the bread-making contest competed, but the bulk of the boys and girls was made up of garden club members from different parts of the state.

What a time all those girls in the bread-making and canning contests had that week! Eighty girls slept in one of the big dormitories for young women at the state school of agriculture, near the fair grounds. Under the supervision of the woman leader of boys' and girls' club work, and several capable assistants, the girls were taken on visits of inspection each day. Alternately they played and worked, and the impressions of that vacation upon their young minds will exert a helpful influence all through their lives.

In the swine barn thousands of visitors were being entertained by a novel exhibit. It consisted of a number of pens containing pigs. Each pig seemed to lose its similarity to other pigs and become an individual pig with a personality. It had been tended for months by a boy keenly bent upon producing the best hog in the state. To assist in feeding the animal economically, each entrant had been required to grow at least one-third of an acre of some forage crop. This condition had been imposed to emphasize the value of green forage in the production of pork. The cost of all feed used in raising the pig, and the ultimate cost of each pound of gain, had to be estimated in the four months' growing season. Each pig shown at the state fair was the winner of a county contest. It had been shipped to the fair at the expense of the fair management to compete for generous prizes in both the lard and bacon classes. The judges judged each pig in a comparative conformation test, which, combined with economy of production, determined the distribution of the prize money. More than 400 boys had competed in the state contest, and 37 pigs were at the fair. It is doubtful whether anyone at the state fair was more popular than the winner of this pig club contest.

The boys' acre-yield corn contest show, open to boys who had competed the year before and saved samples of their corn, contained more corn than the one for men. Not only that, but the judges found that the sweepstakes 10-ear sample in the boys' show was better than any 19-ear sample exhibited by adults, and only the fact that it was ineligible to competition in the open classes kept the big silver trophy for the sweepstakes corn of the fair from going to the boys. The keen interest shown by the 2,500 boys who took part in the 1914 acre-yield contest could not have been established in a more effective way.

Quartered in a big building at the tip of the grounds, were 100 farm boys in a farm boys' camp. Only four counties in the state were unrepresented. These boys had gained admission to the camp because of their ability to write the best essays in their counties on either "Corn," "Clover," "Alfalfa" or "Live Stock." All the previous year they had been studying these subjects to enable them to excel in writing about them. Hundreds had competed. During the week at the fair the boys were taken by competent instructors to see the different exhibits. Their expenses were paid by the fair, and the only return was some ushering required in the grandstand and at the evening horse show.

The school exhibits display of more than 5,000 entries from rural, graded, semi-graded, consolidated and agricultural schools of the state filled the building to the roof with the products of thousands of little minds and hands, all anxious to establish a superiority in the world of drawing, sewing, cooking, carpentry, and penmanship. For months the children had been at work upon these things, their interest stirred by the stories told by the teacher about what would be done with the work at the big state fair.

We now turn back to the three men in the shade. Was the first one right when he expressed regret that the state fair was not an institution that lasted throughout the year? Had it only occurred to him that it is not the mere use of exhibit buildings and extensive fair grounds one week in the year that weighs the worth of a state fair, but the influence which it is exerting out and away from it as an educational institution, perhaps he would not have said what he did. One of the leading state fair secretaries publicly stated not long ago that the only justification for a state fair was its management as an educational institution. Most persons now think he is right; that a state fair justifies its existence only by stimulating thousands of boys and girls in every walk of life to spell better, raise better pigs, grow better corn, make better bread; encouraging men to raise better stock and keep their farms in better shape; urging women to improve their cooking and sewing, take better care of their children, and make their homes more pleasant. The state fair must reach out in all directions, imparting knowledge by concrete example, gripping the boys and girls with a permanent interest in useful things, advancing reasons for the raising of better farm products, and urging the necessity of better homes and families. The state fair is an organization that is intended to assist all classes of persons who support and attend it in leading more efficient lives.

There is no question that there has been a revolution in the purpose of state fairs in the last few years. More and more of their attention is being given to educational work. Some are doing more than others, but the tendency is to move ahead all along the line. Nor does the movement stop here for thousands of county and district fairs, always emulating and imitating the larger ones, are also doing the same thing, increasing their premiums for better stock and farm products, adopting uniform classifications for their premium lists, holding baby shows, children's corn, potato, poultry, calf, swine colt and vegetable shows, all intended to educate as well as amuse.

The West Michigan State Fair at Grand Rapids Mich., is making its influence felt in all the 40 counties of western Michigan. Free transportation and admission to the fair were given this year to the boy or girl who passed the highest eighth grade examination in a competitive test in each county. A second prize in each of the forty instances was given in the shape of an admission ticket to the fair. In addition, a large premium list for children's sewing, cooking, manual training, knife work, penmanship, and essay work was offered. Special prizes for exhibits of grain and vegetables by boys' and girls' clubs, and a canning demonstration for girls were added features.

Milking is an art that merits more than passing attention. The girl who is able to milk possesses an added charm and winsomeness. In proof of it, the milking contests at the Vermont and Michigan state fairs this year may be cited. In both instances the contests were limited to girls under 21 years of age. The Vermont board of managers prefaced its announcement with this statement: "Now that butter is no longer made on the farm but at the creamery, and the making of butter no longer falls upon the farm women, it is our belief that the daughters and mothers on the farm can help their brothers and fathers lift the farm mortgage by learning how to milk." Both contests were a success.

The Galesburg District Fair at Galesburg, Ill., held a boys' corn and stockraising contest this year that might be put on by other fairs to good advantage in the future. Competition was restricted to boys under 21 living in the 7 counties in the fair district. There were classes for a stallion foal, filly foal, boar, sow, and a bull calf and heifer calf of both the beef and dairy breeds. The provision was made that each animal shown had to be raised and cared for by the exhibitor, and that all animals entered had to be less than a year old. There were classes for both yellow and white corn.

There are few of the state fairs that have not adopted the farm boys' camp feature. A boys' and girls' camp was held by the Montana State Fair this year that was rather unusual. Its purpose was to encourage the growing of corn and potatoes by the boys and the canning of vegetables by the girls. In some of the counties admirably suited to potatoes exhibits of 12 potatoes were required; while in the other counties, which were more suited to corn, 10-ear samples of corn were asked for. The girls submitted pints of canned peas. All entries were sent to the fair at Helena and judged, the leading boy and girl from each county being given free trips to the state fair. Only children between 12 and 18 years of age were allowed to compete. Throughout the south practically all the state fairs are assisting the United States Department of Agriculture and the state agricultural colleges in their demonstration work for children. Liberal prizes are offered in all branches of contest work by most of the southern fairs. The corn, potato, tomato, cotton, live stock and pig club work in the south is being aided to a considerable degree. The excellent work of the Louisiana State Fair, one of the leading fairs in the world in its support of children's contests in agriculture and home management, deserves more than passing notice. Members of the boys' corn clubs, pig clubs, baby beef clubs, and poultry clubs, and the girls' canning clubs, are all cared for by a liberal premium list. Individual 10-ear samples of corn of all the approved varieties are acceptable in the boys' corn club show. All the different breed divisions are recognized in the pig club show, in which any pig club member may

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ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

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WILD TURKEYS HERE AND THERE.

Efforts made to propagate the wild turkey in California during the past decade have not met with anything in the nature of a sensational success. The birds, in some congenial habitats, have been credited with making fair progress. In some other sections where they have been liberated, there has been, it is claimed, a strong predilection on the part of the captivity bred wild (?) turkeys to fraternize with the nearest barnyard denizens. Nothing has developed, however, up to date in liberated wild turkey circles, to lead up to anything in the future for our sportsmen on the lines indicated in the following story:

Not only has the wild turkey the reputation of being the shyest of all game birds, but he deserves it. Lucky indeed is the man who can say that one of those splendid birds has fallen to the crack of his gun. At one time the wild turkey was quite numerous in the United States, but civilization, more guns and more hunting have steadily thinned out his kind. Now, in many places, the turkey is but a memory, and oldtimers sit about the fire on a winter's night and tell the younger generation of the sport they used to have calling up a smart old gobbler.

When the noble red man roamed the forest primeval, the wild turkey made many meals for the wily savage, for against the cunning and stealth of the bird were matched the same qualities of the Indian. In fact, it was from the friendly Indians that the Pilgrim Fathers learned how to hunt the turkey. There is an old story that when the choice of some bird to be the emblem of American freedom was being discussed, it was Benjamin Franklin who held out first, last and all the time in favor of the wild turkey. He wanted the proud and beautiful bird that came up about the door of a pilgrim's cabin, extended a greeting of "tut, tut, tut," then scampered off to the dark recesses of the forest of which it was undisputed king of birds. The turkey finally lost to the eagle, but although beaten in this race, the proud bird was not disgraced. Next Thursday, at any rate, it is supreme.

Like the Indian, the wild turkey has given steadily away before the advance of civilization. Unlike the Bob White, the wild turkey likes to be just as far from the haunts of man as he can get. Find the roughest mountain sides, the most impenetrable thickets and cane brakes, the most impassable swamps, and you will have located the proper places in which to look for the turkey.

There are many ways to hunt this beautiful bird. The most fascinating, without doubt, is that of calling up the old gobblers and the hens in what is termed the "yelping" or mating season. This method is also employed in the fall when a young flock has been badly scattered. Another method is that of locating the birds by learning where they feed, by means of watching for turkey signs. An old turkey hunter will know where turkeys have been scratching when a novice or even an ordinary woodsman would find nothing to attract his attention. Not only this, but the old-time hunter can tell how old are the signs and which way the birds are ranging.

Many hunters prefer to go after turkeys with a dog, for the reason that a dog scatters the birds better than can be done by any other method, and the better they are scattered the easier it is to call them up and kill them. Then, too, a dog is invaluable in trailing a wounded bird. Still hunting, just tipping along, watching and listening, will get turkey meat sometimes. It is good sport to track a drove through the snow. Sometimes a hunter locates a roost, waits for day to break and then picks a few of them off. This is a questionable method, however, and hardly gives the bird a fair chance.

But calling with the "yelper" is the thrilling way to pull down a big gobbler and match the skill of the hunter against the rare cunning of the bird. It is in the mating season that turkeys—that is gobblers—do most of their yelping, and the man who would bag one must have a good caller and know just how to use it too. Calling turkeys was handed down from the Indians. They employed many methods. Most of them survive and a few good ones have been added.

A hollow cedar box, with resin rubbed on it, and the noise made by drawing a piece of shale or slate on the edge of the box, was and still is a successful method of calling. A short piece of cane tightly fitted into one a little larger is good. Callers can be made by inserting the smaller bone of the turkey wing into the larger one. A blade of grass or a leaf can be made to "talk" just like a turkey in the hands of an expert. Some callers use nothing artificial at all, but do the calling with their throats. Occasionally one hears of a live gobbler from the barnyard being used for a decoy in the gobbling season. An old turkey hunter in a Southern State had a famous live decoy by means of which he had killed many a fine gobbler. He would carry the big fellow to the woods in a sack, tie him out to a bush, and then make him gobble. Time and again wild gobblers would slip up to "trim" the intruder, only to get a place in the sack as their reward.

But one day the hunter, it is told, did not get there soon enough. "Old Pete," the live decoy, was tied out as usual. He gobbled vaingloriously and in a jiffy there was a flopping and rustling of wings. The hunter sped to the scene of the fight as swiftly as possible, but with all his speed was too late. The wild turkey had put out both of Pete's eyes and then made off like lightning at the first glimpse of the hunter. Old Pete was wrecked and ruined and he soon died.

Extreme caution and rare skill must be employed in calling up a turkey. The caller must be an expert. The wild turkey is not only wary, but is very intelligent. He can detect a single false and unnatural note, and on hearing it he will race off as fast as he can. The caller must remain absolutely motionless after a turkey comes in sight. The slightest movement can be detected by the sharp eyes of the bird. Again, it is important to keep still because there is no telling on which side of the caller the bird may appear. The sly old fellow may answer on one side of a hunter and then circle him and slip around behind.

The three senses of sight, hearing and smelling are acutely developed in a turkey. Not only this, but the bird flies swiftly and can outrun the average dog. A wounded turkey—and the hardy bird can stand a lot of shooting—will run for miles and miles. If the shot is a close one, best results are obtained by shooting the bird in its long neck. No. 4's in the body, with plenty of powder behind them, will do the work well. Some turkey hunters use small buckshot altogether. An old hunter in West Tennessee employed a peculiar method of shooting buckshot at turkey and deer from a full choked gun. It was a No. 10 gauge, with a 32-inch barrel. The old man would split his buckshot as though he would use them for fishing, and then string them on a piece of flax or silk, each one-half an inch apart. After putting them in the shell, he would pour melted tallow until it filled the shell. With five drams of black powder behind this charge of "chain buckshot" all of them would find lodgment in a spot one's hat might cover, and deep lodgment, too.

Every turkey hunter will declare that the most beautiful picture in Nature is furnished by a great bronze gobbler strutting in a clearing in the woods, the sun revealing the green and purplish tints of the handsome plumage, and reflecting their copper and bronze. In calling a gobbler a favorite plan is to beat in the leaves with a hat or a cap, while yelping. The gobbler thinks a rival is there strutting or that a fight is on. In the first event, he comes to make fight; in the latter, to take a hand in the battle of the forest.

Many a turkey-caller has had the experience of a bird slipping right up to him ere aware of his presence. One turkey hunter sat and watched a spot where some turkeys had been eating corn. As he kept vigil a turkey clipped by and was swallowing the corn without the hunter ever having seen the bird get there. This shows how silent and stealthy is a wild turkey. The birds have a wide range and one never knows just where he will run up on them, so he must be ready. In the summer and fall they go in droves. In late winter the gobblers sometimes go together. An expert can scatter a drove and frequently call up eight or ten and kill them.

A fact not generally known about turkeys is that the wild ones can swim. The birds never take to water unless crippled, but a wounded one will swim a small river, a creek or a bayou to escape capture. One hunter relates an instance of a gobbler's swimming down a stream for a quarter of a mile. The bird was wounded and the hunter chased it to the stream. He ran along the bank thinking the turkey would land each moment, but to no avail.

Wild turkeys are trimmer and more racy in build than their domestic cousins, but some of them grow to a great size. Gobblers have been killed weighing 26½ pounds.

Many amusing stories are related of turkey hunting. A certain Mississippi planter was very fond of turkey hunting. His boy was too, far better than he knew. One day the old gentleman took his gun and yelper and slipped out down the river. As soon as he was well lost to view in the woods the boy concluded he would try his luck too. He got his gun and yelper and went down the opposite side of the river. Presently the old gentleman began calling. Then came an answering call across the stream. His hopes were high. Turkey meat was in sight. Again he yelped. Again came the answer. The dialogue in turkey talk continued on down stream for some distance, when finally a form arose from the undergrowth across the stream and a voice said: "Dad, ain't it about time I was flyin' over?" "Was that you, sir, you little devil?" roared the outraged old man. "I've a great mind to shoot you, anyhow."

WITHHOLD WINNERS FROM INFERIOR DOGS.

The following pertinent criticism by "Fox Hills" in the New York Herald hits the situation on the Coast circuit right in the bull's eye. When it is taken into consideration that some of our Coast shows in and around the bay counties zone, have had as many as two and three hundred one dog classes the writer has taken the correct view of the matter.

"Should a judge withhold the ribbon in the winners' class, when it is his opinion that the dog which would receive it does not sufficiently meet the requirements of the standard? Since ribbon shows became a vogue it seems to have become an accepted practice to give first in winners' classes, irrespective of the palpable demerits of the aspirants. This abuse of the principle upon which the winners' class is based has grown out of the feeling that it was only a 'ribbon' which was being handed out, and therefore it would be a distinctly ungenerous act to withhold such a trumpery token. Such a sentiment might be indorsed were the winners' class an unrestricted competition, obligatory upon a bench show committee as to the efficacy of recognizing it or not; also if the 'winners' class carried with it an entrance fee.

As it stands, however, the 'winner's' class is obligatory whenever it is included in a show's classification, and no entrance fee can be charged. More than this, the 'winner's' class is the only medium by which a dog can become a champion. It is this which makes the award in a 'winner's' class an all important factor at all shows, and it is this which our all too generous judges overlook when they distribute 'winner's' ribbons.

It is in this lack of discrimination that ribbon shows have been responsible for many undesirable features in connection with dog shows, but the laxity of judges in adorning commonplace specimens with 'winner's' ribbons, has borne and is still bearing most unhealthy fruit.

This fact has seriously affected the American Kennel Club, insomuch that it has tainted the title of championship to such an extent that it has become a by-word.

Yet if any one were to ask our present day all-round judges, after they had finished their classes at a show, if ninety per cent of the specimens they had decorated with 'winner's' ribbons were worthy of the A. K. C.'s title of champion, they would deride the idea.

Ask them why they did not withhold such ribbons and they will reply, "One must not take these ribbon shows too seriously, you know,' and they will add, 'they are more in the light of tuning-up the novice for greater things.' Yet these shows are treated as seriously by the A. K. C. as are the Westminster K. C. and the Boston shows. They also contribute 'pro rata' as much toward what should be regarded as an honor and a distinction—an A. K. C. championship.

When ribbon shows were first introduced, the writer regarded them as a stepping stone toward bigger things, and in that light beneficial to the doggy fraternity. So, for a time, the writer was as generous in his ribbon distributions as are the most lavish judges of today.

It is some seven years ago, however, that the writer, after judging his classes, was taking a look around. An exhibitor, wreathed in smiles, said, 'I'm so glad you gave my dog winners. He only needed the points to make him a champion.' There stood the dog on his perch, wagging his tail, a plain second rate specimen, henceforth to be paraded as a champion, a living testimony and rebuke to my reputation as a judge. I, who considered this dog only worthy of 'three letters' in average company, had not only contributed but put the final touches in the machinery which gave him a rank equal to that of the greatest of his breed.

'Horrors!' To how many more ordinary creatures have I committed myself?' As I thought this over in the train the number staggered me and I felt, by way of atonement, I should go to the American Kennel Club and say: 'Please give me several good kicks.'

From that day the writer became convinced that it is every judge's duty not to award a 'winner's' unless, in his estimation, a dog is worthy to be accepted as a real champion of his breed, only qualified according to the standard of merit prevailing in the territories where the A. K. C. differentiates in its scale of points.

If our present day judges consider that for every 'winner's' award they make they are committing themselves to the acknowledgment that a dog is of championship merit they will perhaps realize the serious obligations entailed. Also that distinctive honors, such as 'first winners,' have a bearinng on the future of a breed. This, surely, should be of far more consideration than the desire not to give offense by to an exhibitor. In truth, the latter is a false sentiment and calculated to do more harm than good. This is shown by the number of exhibitors who are content to go on winning with moderate specimens, because as long as these commonplace animals win there is no incentive to own better. The real harm, however, lies in the fact that this class of exhibitor breeds from the poor stock and so perpetuates it.

Not so long ago, a judge of a breed separated by varieties and therefore rich in winners' classes, had the courage to take the bull by the horns and withhold the ribbons in a big percentage of winners' classes. Such drastic measures, in these days when

scores are tumbling over one another for the privilege of seeing their names in the list of judges and would never dream of such an 'unfriendly' act, brought forth a storm of protests; this despite the fact that the judge was justified. The breed long has been in a decadent stage, and one of the contributors to this condition has been the recognition of unworthy specimens in the winners' classes. If other judges only will display the same backbone and so discourage, not encourage, exhibitors to parade in public specimens whose questionable beauty had best be left to the seclusion of private life, exhibitors of such specimens might be imbued with a desire to get simething approaching the semblance of a champion."

EXPOSITION DOG SHOW.

One of the largest dog shows held in this city for years past will take place November 29 to December 1 at the Exposition. The show will be staged in the old Vienna Cafe building on the Zone, under the auspices of the Exposition Department of Live Stock.

Dog fanciers from all sections of the State and Coast as well as from many parts of the United States have entered choice specimens of various breeds.

Entries closed November 13 with about 350 dogs and the mail entries to come. The Exposition has appropriated $5,000 for cash prizes. In addition the National Dog Breeders' Association has offered $500 in prizes (for members only).

Mrs. Anita M. Baldwin, of Los Angeles, has reserved a large space for her dogs. Mrs. Baldwin will bring a special car filled with decorations for her exhibit. One of her special features is a completely furnished dog-house, containing beds and separate rooms for all of her dogs.

Coincidently with the dog show, a cat show will be held in the Marine Cafe building on the Zone, and a pet stock show in the New England Cafe building, also on the Zone.

There is no entry fee, but a nominal charge will be made to cover cost of benching, showing, feeding and returning the cats to express company.

The dog judges will be W. M. Coats, of Vancouver, B. C., for terriers, and Joseph W. Burrells, of Broomall, Pa., for all other breeds. Mrs. Helen Brayton, of Brighton, Mass., will judge cats and Charles S. Gibson, Detroit, Mich., pet stock.

CALIFORNIA LEADS IN BIRD LIFE.

Director Joseph Grinnell of the University of California Museum of Vertebrate Zoology reports that there are already more different species of birds in California than in any other State in the Union, and more kinds coming all the time. Convincing proof has been found of the great intelligence of birds.

This is no mere question of size. The vast State of Texas is two-thirds as large again as California, but it has nowhere nearly as many kinds of birds, though it does come second.

What's more, the 541 species of birds already living here are not going to be permitted to enjoy a monopoly. Every kind of bird in the country is trying to move to California. There are fifty more known species of birds in California today than thirteen years ago.

A large share of these additions are unquestionably newcomers. One such "straggler," as the bird-men call such cases of a pioneer seeking to lead the way for his tribe into a new land, was a Mother Cary's chicken (a Wilson stormy petrel), which has no business away from the Atlantic ocean, but which was captured off Monterey.

Another venturesome explorer was an Anhinga, or water turkey, which belongs in Florida and the Mexican tropics, but which joined the rush of new settlers in the Imperial valley. The Tennessee warbler and the Louisiana water thrush both grew restless in their Southern homes and made their way to California, one being found at Pasadena and the other at Mecca, on the Colorado desert.

Sooner or later, predicts Professor Grinnell, practically every species known in North America will be found occurring, at one time or another, in California.

The great advance made in recent years in knowledge of California birds is indicated by the fact that Professor Grinnell's new 217-page book, "A Distributional List of the Birds of California," just published by the Cooper Ornithological Club as a contribution from the California Museum of Vertebrate Zoology, lists 541 species of birds as now known in California, as compared with the 353 species catalogued in 1868 by the pioneer ornithologist, Dr. G. G. Cooper, of the Geological Survey, the 445 species catalogued in 1892, the 491 known in 1902, and the total of 530 listed in 1912. Widespread search and the gathering and careful study of great series of museum specimens, through generous provision made by Miss Annie M. Alexander for the maintenance of the California Museum of Vertebrate Zoology, are responsible for this increase, as well as the constant new immigration of birds.

Professor Grinnell reports that of the 541 species of which he tells the local status, 168 are water birds, 373 land birds, and 108 game birds. Among these are six species of hummingbirds and 23 species of hawks. While the prolific sparrow is represented by 96 species, there are only 19 different kinds of owls in California.

BEFORE THE MUIR TRAIL.

[Concluded from last week.]

There was a curious relief in climbing down the talus without the intellectual burden of trying to think with a mule's mind. A man can go anywhere, and can go most easily over precisely the sort of huge rock chaos which is impassable to an animal. Going up, we had had to test each step upon the assumption that we were mules, but coming down we had the easier task of being men, so we scrambled down whichever way was shortest, regardless of the trail monument we had made going up.

The World in the Making.—On both Muir and Observation passes the geological structure was extremely interesting . Muir pass is evidently located at the immediate fault line between the granite and the metamorphic rock, and at its immediate head is a huge mountain, mingled like an enormous marble cake of both rocks. Evidently in the primitive ages great masses of the two sorts of rocks were thrown into the fault between them and were then afterward re-cemented and upheaved into one homogeneous structure, which the glaciers later carved as if it were a single rock. I do not remember any other peak in which the entire history of the Sierras is so plainly recorded on its surface. On Observation pass we noted, better than anywhere else, all the various stages in the formation of rock talus. "Talus," it will be remembered, is a pile of broken rock which has fallen off the present cliffs, while a "moraine" is a pile of worn rock deposited by a glacier. At the top of Observation pass we found the rocks deeply cracked with the glaciel polish on the top. Just below would be similar rocks with the corresponding cleavage facing each other, but more widely separated, and the original glacier polish still on the upper side. Below that, the rocks were heaped without form or order in inconceivable chaos.

These records of the history of the mountains are among the chief attractions of a mountain trip. It is in the mountains, especially in the very high mountains, that the process of world-making is still going on, with all its steps and stages visibly recorded. In the valleys, the history of the world must be guessed by remote inference, and in the lower mountains its marks are largely covered with soil and vegetation, and therefore require some attention and training to read. But in the highest mountains nothing is ever obliterated. The original formation of the rocks in the primitive ages; their upheavals, contortions and metamorphoses; the extrusions of ancient asphalt and modern lava; the giant canyon-carvings of the glaciers, and the polish and the scratches in which the glacier has written its autograph on its work—all these things make of the mountain not so much a fixed, dead fact as an almost living creature with its life history plainly recorded for anyone to read. Even the loose stones scattered about were all placed there by some natural force, and by their shape and distribution, whether in piles or rock slides, in lateral or terminal moraines, or in the beds of water-worn ravines, they have all their story to tell. In the mountains a stone is not a stone. It is a landmark in the history of the world, and that whole history, in its largest and smallest aspects, from the first solidification of the molten rock to the final formation of soil and the growth of vegetation, lies unrolled and visible before the eye.

The Bishop Trail.—Observation pass being out of the question, the next proposal was to go out of Grouse valley, over its only trail up Dusy creek, over Bishop pass into the Mono country, and from there down the desert to Kearsarge pass and back over Kings river canyon. On examination of the geological survey map, however, we discovered that the Bishop trail went at least twenty miles northward from where we were before any route southward opened from it, and that the proposed route would then involve several days, hot tramping across the desert before reaching the foot of Kearsarge pass. The younger members of the party objected to the hot desert, and the time necessary was beyond that at the disposal of the older members, who had already made engagements in the outside world, so it became necessary to change our plan entirely. We then vividly realized that we were in a place so secluded that the shortest way into the outside world involved a six days' walk, with no method of transportation faster than a walk, in existence. So we changed our plans, went out toward the Mono country, over the Bishop pass, down to a point on the other side, where a trail back over the Piute pass could be reached. We then came directly across the entire range of the Sierras from the Great Basin on the other side to Hunting Lodge on this side, and found the trip so interesting that all of us were really glad that we had made the detour, which we otherwise would not have been likely to take. The omitted part of the trip as originally planned we had all already seen, while the slope down into the desert across the mountain crest is not often visited from this side. We went, to be sure, down only to the 8,000-foot level before turning back, but even in those high altitudes the vegetation and the structure of the desert penetrate. For the gray granite and the red and black slate of the Sierras are now substituted the parti colored rock of the volcanic region beyond. Going down the Bishop trail there was a great slope of red, purple, chocolate brown, yellow, green, black and brilliant white rock, all arranged in huge and picturesque masses. If some futurist painter were to represent this mountain exactly as it is, his painting would be rejected by any hanging committee as impossible and unreal. Over the slope we were for two days in a new and different world. But interesting as the experience was, it was like a return home to find ourselves the following day once more amid the tamaracks, granite cliffs and rushing waters of the high Sierras.

The Only Tragedy.—On the return trip occurred our only tragedy. Just over the Piute pass "Old Blue," the bell horse, died. He was apparently well enough the night before, but in the morning we found him lying in the meadow, dead. Old mountaineers whom we met the next day diagnosed it as a case of wild hemlock, a wild mountain weed which they say kills horses. Let us hope so, for then "Old Blue" will have died the death of Socrates. His flesh is already the food of the mountain creatures, and his bones will bleach in the rains and snows of one of the most beautiful spots in the world. What better end could a bell-horse wish?

Plunge to Civilization.—Coming out after a month in the wilderness, the first plunge into civilization is always a curious experience and ours was particularly sudden. Our first civilization was at Huntington Lodge, which is situated at the last extremity of the last wagon road on this side, and has nothing but wilderness beyond, on the side from which we came. Within three miles of civilization we lost our trail for the first time, and got down nearly to Shaver before discovering our mistake. The forest service signs on the trails back of Huntington Lodge are not yet in place, and the country is overrun with cattle in a way that makes it exceedingly difficult to find one's way without these signs. However, with a few extra miles walk we came suddenly on the hotel. At one moment we were mountain tramps, fitted to our environment and unconscious of the roughness and the grime by which we were a part of it. Crossing a threshold, the next moment we were in the midst of high civilization, with all its soft superfluities around us. Standards of cleanliness which would have been ludicrous an hour ago suddenly became imperative. The great boots, which we had unhesitatingly stood on our own table-cloth while eating that very morning, now seemed like the hoofs of a rough shod mule on the smooth floor. Shaggy whiskers which had been a matter of course a moment before, were now embarrassing, and our cleanest clothing, which we had put on that morning for the occasion, was spectacularly dirty.

There is nothing quite so startling as the unfamiliarity of the familiar. When one goes from civilization into the wilderness, the unfamiliarity of the new environment seems natural enough. But when one makes the return plunge, there is a period of confusion in readjusting one's self to the use of familiar things, now grown strange. Even the people seemed strangely pale and soft, though they themselves felt that they were sunburned and rugged. The first civilization meal, served at a table, with chairs to sit on, was almost a sensation, and the first night in bed was a task. We had been sleeping ten hours a night when the cook's yell awakened us in the morning for breakfast. Probably not one of us succeeded in sleeping as much as six hours the first night in bed, and we were almost tempted to resort to the old soldier's device of rolling up in a blanket and sleeping on the floor. When we closed our eyes there was a strange softness which seemed like floating; when we opened them, instead of the pines and the cliffs and the stars, there was a flat wall and a prosaic dresser, and in place of the music of moving waters, there was someone somewhere grinding lame ragtime out of a crippled piano player.

Call of the Wild.—The trip which we had finished is destined to be the best known, as it is the finest high mountain trip in America. We had gone down the crest of the southern Sierras, over their most scenic portion. He had traced Tuolumne river up to one of its sources; passed above all the sources of the Merced; traced to their sources two each of the three forks of the San Joaquin and the Kings, and of several of their tributaries, and had passed above the sources of the remaining forks, thus being at or above the sources of the entire river system of central California. We had personally had a magnificent outing. For a whole month we had not known whether the Germans had taken Paris or the Russians had taken Berlin. We did not know whether the United States was at peace or at war with the world. We had not seen a house, a road, or an inhabitant, and had met only a few scattered mountaineers traveling like ourselves. It had been a month in the absolute wilderness, so separated from all the ordinary concerns of life that the outside world seemed distant by thousands of miles and many years, instead of a few days' ride and a few weeks' time. Physically, we were tougher than our own mules, and we were quite as devoid of nerves or of any interest except in the immediate problems of mountain life. Our minds, instead of active working tools, had become mere receptive, assimilative organs, storing up impressions for the future. We had seen one of the finest countries in the world, and had seen it under circumstances of isolation and the need of personal conquest which it will never show again. We had worked hard, lived rough, and were now quite as glad to return to civilization as we had been to escape from it.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

GOSSIP FOR SPORTSMEN.

Beaver Increasing.—The beaver is increasing in California, according to Dr. H. C. Bryant, special assistant in publicity and research work of the State Fish and Game Commission. In the recent issue of the Commission's publication he says:

"The total protection given the golden beaver in 1911 seems to have allowed these animals to increase greatly. Near Mendota, Fresno county, there are now at least a dozen colonies. The largest colony is to be found on Belle Island just above the large dam constructed by the Miller & Lux Company. Here is to be found a beaver house 16 feet long, 10 feet wide and 6 feet high. This is inhabited by between thirty and forty individuals, according to a man who lived until recently within 25 feet of this house. Several smaller colonies are reported as existing on one of the Miller & Lux canals a short distance below the dam. There are also three or four colonies on the San Joaquin river some distance above the dam.

"According to all reports there were not more than two or three pairs of beavers in this vicinity five years ago when a close season was instituted. At the present time there are certainly over fifty individuals within a radius of five miles, and the mammals seem to be increasing rapidly.

"Reports from Eastern States show that wherever the beaver has been properly protected increase always follows. Apparently we are demonstrating the same thing here in California, and if the increase continues we can expect that this valuable fur bearing mammal will again become important commercially."

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Eastern Striped Bass Protection.—At the recent meeting of the United Anglers' League in New York, its legislative committee was authorized to introduce at the next meeting of the State Legislature an amendment to the fish and game laws which will make the month from May 15 to June 15 a closed season on striped bass, prohibit the taking of any bass less than 12 inches in length at any time, and prohibit the netting of striped bass in the Hudson river at any time of the year. At present there is no closed season, and the limit of length of bass which may be caught is fixed at 10 inches.

The proposition to prohibit netting of striped bass in the Hudson looks like a joke on the face of it. There have been no such bass worth while caught in the Hudson for years either with the hook or the net, so completely is the river exhausted of these splendid game fish. But the members of the league desire to get such a prohibition on the books as an entering wedge to other legislation which may follow in later years as to other rivers and which may help to preserve this rapidly disappearing fish. They anticipate a hard fight from the baymen, of course, as even the proposed change of a closed season of a single month would restrict the activities of these fishermen, even though it would give the fish a chance in their spawning season, and ultimately result in benefit to the commercial fisherman as well as the angler who looks only to the sporting side of fishing.

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Nesting Colony of American Egrets.—Reports during the last few years have established the fact that the American egret (Herodius egretta) has been slowly increasing since protection was given it several years ago in this State. Some definite information regarding a nesting colony located near Crows Landing, Stanislaus county, is here given:

"During the last part of July J. E. Newsome located a nesting colony of egrets and great blue herons. The place was visited on August 3. During the three hours spent in the vicinity about a dozen egrets were seen. Six were frightened away on our arrival. It was immediately evident that we were too late to take a census of the breeding birds, for the young had already flown. P. F. Crow, on whose ranch the birds had nested, estimated the number this year at from fifty to seventy-five. A much larger number, he said, nested in the same vicinity two years ago.

Nests were placed in the tops of large oak trees which grew along a small creek. Nests of the great blue heron, two of which still contained young, could be distinguished from those of the egret by their larger size. On the ground beneath the trees three small, downy egrets and one of larger size, which had evidently tumbled out of the nests, were found. Although people living in the vicinity had picked up most of the molted aigrettes, yet we were able to find over fifteen. A colony of black crowned night herons was located in some nearby oak trees, but no nests were located close to those of the egrets.

That certain people are still willing to kill white herons in order to secure the plumes, was evidenced by two birds which had evidently been shot and their plumes removed."

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Sacramento Valley Notes.—"Not for five years," declare Sacramento hunters who were afield Sunday, "has the quail shooting been so good as it was this week." Upland sportsmen agree that they found birds everywhere and it was no trouble to get the limit in almost any of the foothill districts. The reason for the activity of the feathered skyrockets is attributed to the rain last week, which caused them to move about more freely. Further, the moisture causes the scent to lie better so that the dogs can pick it up more readily than was the case during the drouth. Also the dampness softens the leaves and vegetation so that the progress of the hunter is not quite so noisy as formerly.

From the duck grounds also came reports of good hunting, although the sport was limited to the areas of the preserves, there being no water elsewhere in which the waterfowl may congregate. All of the Butte slough gunners Sunday returned with the limit. They reported that the waterfowl were arriving from the north in countless thousands, due to the recent cold weather, and that with a little more rain there will be shooting for everyone.

Strange to report, most of the northern arrivals are geese and mallards. This is somewhat out of the ordinary, as the geese usually are early arrivals, while the mallards are the last of the ducks to leave the feeding grounds of the far north. In the Alaska marshes where they breed the sprig starts south first, followed by the widgeon. The teal remains a little longer, while the mallard stays on after freezing weather. This year, however, the green heads are leading the procession, at least to California grounds.

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Swamp Land Claimants.—The hostilities between the Wild Goose Gun Club and the Last Chance Gun Club will for the time being be confined to proceedings within the court.

Five of the Last Chancers visited their club grounds last Sunday. They met and talked with President J. H. Inmann of the Wild Goose Club. Inmann stated that Wild Goose members had no ill feeling toward the members of the Last Chance Club.

The Wild Goosers, of course, want the land that the Last Chance Gun Club now has and probably will put up a fight for it if they can find any method for attack in the courts.

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A Big Salmon.—Floyd Smith holds the record for the heaviest salmon taken from the Sacramento river this season, having caught a 65-pounder Sunday, states the Chico Record.

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Ducks Plentiful.—One of the best duck shoots on the Suisun marsh for many years past was enjoyed last Sunday. Everybody out, who could point a gun properly, had no difficulty in getting limit bags. Northern sprig and mallard with a sprinkling of teal, widgeon and canvasback, kept the trigger-pullers busy during the morning flight.

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Rice Diet For Wildfowl.—Just how the ducks manage to get full craws of rice is a bit of a puzzle to some observers. The rice heads are too high from the surface of the water for the birds to pick the kernels off when it is growing and it is unheard of, if not an impossible trick, for wild ducks to feed while on the wing. The birds just wait until the crop is harvested and then glean the rice stubble-fields. Simple enough—and that without damage to the crop.

HOW TO RAISE WILD DUCKS ON THE FARM.

"Why not grow wild birds on the farm, both for pleasure and for profit?" inquires Fred L. Holmes in Country Gentleman, and proceeds to give a few hints, thusly:

"Prof. J. C. Halpin, of the Wisconsin Experiment Station, has demonstrated that the wild mallard is readily domesticated and may easily be raised by farmers who have small ponds or streams. Professor Halpin started about five years ago with a single pair. Although he sold many last year, he now has a flock of more than 200. The bird propagates so rapidly—from thirty to forty eggs a season—and shows the inherent ability to shift for itself at so early an age that the plan has evidences of being a good commercial proposition.

Naturally the first question asked is how these birds may be kept in captivity. The original stock was bagged by hunters. When turned over to Professor Halpin he clipped one wing of each bird to the first joint. The following spring the thirty-odd eggs laid were divided between the incubator and the mother. The little ones became so domesticated from handling after hatching that they were even greater pets than the domesticated ducks on the farm. Their rapid increase in numbers has not changed this condition.

It is a sight worth seeing to behold these 200 mallards start on their exercise flights about four o'clock in the morning and just before sundown, sometimes in groups, then in an unbroken straight line. At times during the day they may take a spin, but when the weather is hot they prefer to lie in some shady place and quack family gossip. Sometimes they will go miles away or alight in pastures long distances from the yards that have been fenced off for them. A word to the farm dog with whom they have been raised and he is after them. As if they understood the message they rise and circle to the yards.

Occasionally one or more pairs of these mallards may leave, but this happens too seldom to be considered of importance. On the leg of each duck, a few weeks after hatching, is placed a registration seal. This gives an opportunity to keep an exact record of each bird as to laying and breeding qualities.

Not unlike guineas, these domesticated mallards retain many of the instincts peculiar to their wild nature. When mother and baby ducks are out in the field, let a strange object approach and with one quack the little brown birds hide in the grass close to the earth. Moreover, these wild ducks are habitual imitators. Let one mallard start limping and in ten minutes, unless there is something to attract attention elsewhere, a majority will be limping. A strange noise, the appearance of the dog, and all of them will again be walking naturally.

Little feed is given these mallards because they fatten quickly and become logy. The 200 are given fourteen quarts of cracked grains each morning. Without any feeding, five mallards that were hatched on October 12, 1914, weighed three pounds apiece on Thanksgiving Day. At four to five pounds the birds give up their regular flights.

No special houses are demanded for them, even in winter. A shed is provided where they can get grain and drink, but during the daytime they sit on the snowbanks with their feet tucked in their feathers.

On the market these birds sell for twenty to twenty-five cents each more than the domestic ducks."

INDOOR LEAGUE MATCHES, 1915-16.

Arrangements are being made by the National Rifle Association for the indoor league matches to be shot by civilian, college, university, school and military school rifle clubs during the winter of 1915-16. Letters notifying the clubs that the matches will be shot, together with entry blanks and the conditions for the matches, have been sent to the secretaries of the clubs, and the N. R. A. is now making up the classes for the different leagues and preparing the targets for shipment to the clubs. After they have been shot on these targets will be returned to Washington where the scores will be determined and announcement made of the results each week.

Entries for the civilian inter-club gallery league matches will close December 1, as will also those for the Inter-collegiate matches. Entries for the Inter-high school matches and the Inter-military school matches clase December 11. Indications are that there will be a large entry in all of the matches, as for some weeks past a number of clubs have inquired as to the indoor matches. The conditions governing the college and school clubs will be the same as those of last year with the exception that the one and one-half inch sighting bulls-eye target will be used. The shooting will be done from the prone position in the college matches. For college teams the entry fee is $5 and for the school clubs it is $3. For the civilian club matches the entry fee will be $10 per team, one team to a club. There will be no change in the conditions of the match from last year. As many as ten men will shoot each week and the five highest scores will count for the record of the team. Each man will shoot 20 shots prone at 75 feet and any kind of a sight but telescopic can be used, placed on any part of the rifle. The offcial N. R. A. gallery target for 75 feet having 5 counting bulls of 2-inch diameter will be used. To certify to the scores the clubs have been invited to recommend a judge to supervise the shooting. It is hoped to have four leagues of 12 clubs each in this series of matches, the winning club in each league to receive medals. Clubs have been notified that the N. R. A. has no longer for sale the targets with the one bulls-eye at $2.50 per thousand, but the 5 bull targets can be purchased for practice at $3.50.

ARIZONA STATE SHOOT.

J. F. Dodds, of the Pastime Gun Club, San Diego, won high average at the annual shoot of the Arizona Sportsmen's Association, which closed Wednesday at the State Fair grounds, Phoenix, Ariz. Dodds scored 620 out of a possible 645. C. H. Nash of San Jose and H. P. Demund of Phoenix were tied for second place with 611 points.

Rem-UMC Notes.

H. J. Rebhausen won a two day shoot staged recently by the Buffalo Bill Gun Club, of North Platte, Nebr. Shooting Nitro Club shells, he scored 387 x 400.

Along comes Louisiana to add to the total of 19 out of 36 State Championships won by Red Ball shooters. J. E. Ribb of Shreveport, shooting Nitro Club shells, won this event with a score of 94x100. J. B. Tisdale and W. G. Wadley captured second and third, respectively, shooting the perfect shooting combination of Remington-UMC guns and ammunition. They scored 93x100 and 92x100.

R. A. Hall, besides tieing with W. D. Rumells for first place, at a shoot of the Ft. Royal (Va.) Gun Club, won the special event of 25 targets, defeating L. W. Puffenbarger, W. B. Anderson, and W. D. Rumells in the miss-and-out shot-off. All these shooters used Nitro Club shells. Hall, in extras and on all targets broke 185x188, making runs of 106 and 57.

At a two-day shoot held by the Paragould (Ark.) Gun Club, recently, H. N. Billinger, of Memphis, Tenn., shooting a Remington pump gun and Arrow shells scored 369x400, winning the high amateur average.

Seventy-five shooters faced the traps of the Chicago Gun Club July 25. E. H. Powell and R. C. Millen tied for first place in the Interurban League event, scoring 48x50. Both men shot Nitro Club shells, the former also shooting a Remington auto gun.

RECENT INNOVATIONS AT SUCCESSFUL FAIRS.

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enter a pig. Canned fruits, vegetables, and pickles are acceptable in the girls' canning club contest. A commendable 1915 feature was a plowing contest for boys in which a strip of ground 15 by 100 feet was plowed by each entrant. Walking and riding plows were allowed. To cap the climax, the Louisiana State Fair had a liberal classification for children's work in home economics, manual training, and agriculture.

The Mississippi-Alabama fair, held at Meridian, Miss., this year offered handsome prizes for exhibits by girls' canning clubs and tomato clubs. The germ of assistance to boys' corn club work was planted in an offer of large cash prizes to members of the Lauderdale county boys' corn club who exhibited 10-ear and 20-ear samples of corn. The Tri-State Fair at Memphis, Tenn., paid much attention this year to girls' canning club and boys' corn club work, and offered an excellent school exhibit classification. The same was true of the Tennessee State Fair. The Texas State Fair not only extended aid to boys' corn clubs but boys' peanut, cotton, milo, kafir, and feterita clubs. The baby beef show for children, in which children exhibited animals raised in the baby beef club work of Texas, necessitating feeding and care of stock all through the year, was a noted 1915 feature.

A new type of children's contest work that has sprung up in the middle west, and is spreading rapidly to all the fairs, is the boys' live stock judging school. At the Iowa, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, and several other state fairs this year the boys' stock judging contests attracted wide attention. The contest at the Iowa fair was typical of them all. In it four scholarships to the Iowa Agricultural College, valued at $200, $150, $125, and $100, were awarded to the four best judges of cattle, swine, horses, and corn. The contest was open to any Iowa boy under 21 years of age. The contest in Kansas was similar, save that the age limit was placed at 25 years, and sheep were substituted for corn. The Illinois State Fair had a classification for cattle, sheep, swine, horses, and corn. There were three scholarships to the Illinois Agricultural College offered, valued at $200, $150, and $100. At the Indiana State Fair the age limit was placed at 16 to 20 years, and the judging of dairy cattle, beef cattle, horses, sheep, swine, white corn, yellow corn, and wheat was required. Four scholarships to the Purdue School of Agriculture, valued at $100, $75, $50, and $25, were offered.

Recognizing that there is no greater asset than a healthy, well-developed childhood, so far as the nation is concerned, and that it is just as necessary to rear good babies as good live stock, practically all the state fairs have introduced the baby show feature. At the Rochester Exposition, Rochester, N. Y., the number of babies examined this year reached 500. Most of the state fairs limit the entry to from 100 to 200 babies, because of the detailed work required in judging them. A feature of the Minnesota State Fair this year, declared by many to be the most interesting one on the grounds, was the physical examination of all babies in the open. A large glass cage in the center of the woman's building accommodated the judging, and there, during the entire week, a staff of nurses and physicians judged the 250 babies. Standing room about the three sides of the cage was at a premium during the entire week. The Iowa State Fair added an improvement show to its regular baby show this year, and it is said that many of the state fairs will adopt the plan next year. In the improvement show only babies that were entered in the 1914 state fair baby show were allowed to compete. Prizes were offered on the basis of improvement during the year. Most of the winners were babies that had scored comparatively low the year before.

The attention paid by all the state fairs to children's school work is a feature that is only a few years old, yet in this short time it has become one of the biggest attractions at many of the principal expositions. Typical of the growth of school exhibit work at the different fairs is that the Minnesota State Fair. Last year the number of entries was twice as large as in 1913, and this year individual entries approximated 5,000, which was twice as much as in 1914. Four distinct premium lists in this class of work are to be issued this year, and hundreds of schools are now at work upon the exhibits which will be made at the 1916 state fair.

When it is considered that practically all this progress has been achieved in the last five years, and that it is yet in its infancy, some conception of the advancement of the state fairs and expositions of America as educational institutions working the year around may be obtained. State fairs are showing that they merit as much state aid as the universities and colleges, the departments of agriculture and education, and other state departments. Furthermore they are getting financial assistance from the state, in most instances.—Ray P. Speer, in Breeders' Gazette.

WINNIPEG HORSEMEN LINE UP FOR 1916.

One of the very best "horse towns" in the west is the Canadian city of Winnipeg, its driving club being one of the largest in the country in point of membership, and its horsemen being sportsmen of a very high order. All horsemen, alas, are not sportsmen, but the Winnipeg bunch grades pretty high to the ton and have kept up their end of the game steadfastly throughout the period of depression that has existed since the Dominion became embroiled in the great battle for race supremacy which is being waged on European soil.

During the season of 1915 the club held twenty meetings, and as its members own and race half a hundred horses there were never less than twenty starters in the various events of each day's program. They race good horses, as the performance tables prove most emphatically. Their course is a halfmile affair, yet the one time around heat that took the cup for the fastest performance of the season was done in 1:02. Pacers went the two rounds in 2:10¼, trotters in 2:14, with halfmile heats in 1:04, while three-year-olds did the trick in 2:21. Winnipeg horsemen not only race at home and throughout Canada, but cross over to take in the major circuits of this country as well. They are represented annually on our tracks by good horses, pleasant owners and capable reinsmen, the exposition meetings having attracted the presence and participation of such welcome visitors as E. J. Rochon, M. Savage, Joe Carson, Will Fleming and Barney Barnes, the horses brought over and raced by these gentlemen giving good accounts of themselves in select company.

Undaunted by adverse conditions the Winnipeg organization is laying plans for an aggressive campaign during the winter and the ensuing season, the following excerpt from a recent story in the Telegram, of that city, giving an excellent idea of the hold the trotter has upon the affections of our Canadian cousins:

The annual meeting of the Winnipeg Driving Association was held last evening in the offices of Wallace & Aikins, and the quarters were filled to overflowing. It was an assembly of enthusiastic sportsmen, all proud of the successful year of the association and awaiting with patience the opening of the ice racing season when they can again look forward to the Saturday afternoon speed trials at their River park plant which will be especially prepared for the winter contests. The track will be flooded as soon as the ice-making weather arrives, and the stables will be arranged to provide all the comforts for the horses and their followers that have characterized the racing over the turf.

Dr. Orr Graham, the president, occupied the chair, and was surrounded by all the executive officers. With the summer season over there was but little routine work, the chief matter of the closing term being the final statements of the year which the treasurer, H. A. Argue, has been working overtime on for the last week in order to submit a complete report at the final meeting. The report had been signed by the auditors of the association and Mr. Argue was energetically applauded on the performance of his final obligation of the 1915 racing season of the association.

Fred Haight, the popular and untiring secretary, who has so ably filled this important office, was given much credit by the treasurer in reply to a vote of thanks, the combination working so harmoniously that what might have been complicating and burdensome was alleviated by the co-operation.

Business over, the president announced that nominations for all the executive and honorary offices of the club were now in order, and in doing so, referred to the pleasure and honor he had enjoyed while holding the premier office of such a mammoth sporting organization. Dr. Graham then called for nominations for honorary president, and H. A. Dangerfield proposed the name of A. A. Gilroy, and when the name of the first president of the Winnipeg Driving Club was announced, the reception was so unanimous that no other proposals were asked for. Mr. Dangerfield referred in feeling terms to the interest of Mr. Gilroy in the association and his regret that health would not permit further participation was shared by all.

The next office nominations were called for was that of president, and A. Stewart nominated George Ford, who during the past year had so capably filled the office of vice-president. The members were surprised to learn from Mr. Ford when he arose that he was about to leave Winnipeg, and while he regretted that he must decline the honor he did so feeling it was in the best interests of the club, as the presence of the president was essential on all occasions. Mr. Ford suggested Rupert S. Hamilton as eminently fitted for the post, and as there were no other nominations the new president was loudly applauded as he relieved Dr. Graham of his obligations. Mr. Hamilton modestly replied to the kind remarks of the past president, stating as he did that in the position of president of the Winnipeg Driving Club he felt that he occupied the premier office of the greatest sporting organization in western Canada.

T. R. Edwards was elected to the vice-presidency of the association without a dissenting voice and spoke at length on the pleasure of participating in the sport of the club.

The names of H. A. Argue, treasurer, and Fred Haight, secretary, practically went before the meeting together. These two offices are inseparable and they have been filled by Messrs. Argue and Haight to such satisfaction that they were both nominated and elected before they had an opportunity to refuse.

The veteran starter, "Dick" Roche, was again appointed official starter, and will be assisted by George Ford, while the latter is in the city. The chairman paid a glowing tribute to the long services of Mr. Roche in the most difficult position in the club. An executive was appointed, consisting of E. N. Perry, D. C. Halliday, H. A. Dangerfield, R. Vincent, Dr. Graham, D. J. McDonald, A. F. Pigott, C. Wright, R. W. Sutherland, A. Gunn and R. Roche. The classifying committee will be Messrs. Graham, Roche, Sutherland, Halladay and Stewart, of which A. Stewart will be chairman. The timers for the year will be J. W. Harris, Fred Johnston, A. Stewart and D. C. Halladay, and the judges, J. Corwin, Dr. Graham, W. D. Mace and D. Gunn.

Following the election of officers, considerable business was transacted by the new executive, and with the ice racing season not far distant a glance forward revealed a field for operations. They were not long in getting into the harness and a motion was put through to accept the proposition of the Electric Street Railway and take over the entire park enclosure next year. A ticket selling campaign was also organized for the ice racing season, and a meeting of progress in this connection will be held next Tuesday evening in the Builders' Exchange. Sam Finklestein, always willing to serve the club, was appointed track manager for the year, and a representative of an outside athletic association was also entertained regarding leasing the infield of the track.

E. N. Perry, one of the most optimistic members of the executive, advanced some brilliant ideas for the purchasing of a site for the association on the sale of stock to the members, and being in the financial and realty business he was assigned to appoint a committee to go into the matter and report later.

PLEASANTON FUTURITIES NEXT SATURDAY.

While a few horsemen present at the P.-P. I. E. meeting shipped on to Phoenix to participate in the Arizona State Fair and a still greater number made the direct trip to home and winter quarters, the owners of baby trotters and pacers sent their youngsters to Pleasanton, where the final curtain will be rung down next Saturday after the staging of the Pleasanton futurities.

Colt races came rather thick and fast at the meeting here, and the rest and change to Pleasanton was welcomed by owners, trainers, and, no doubt, by the colts themselves. The weather there is much pleasanter, the stabling accommodations more convenient and comfortable, and the footing eminently more suitable for baby racers' feet and muscles. Also, unless something has gone radically wrong, Superintendent Charley DeRyder has a bit of green stuff of some sort for them to nibble at occasionally, so that they find it much better all around.

Owing to the lateness of the date and the lack of any "fair" attractions, no effort will be made to race other than the colt stakes next Saturday, Nov. 27, but these are ample for a program of an afternoon of real sport. There are four events in all, a trot and a pace for both two- and three-year-olds, so there will be plenty of entertainment for those in attendance. There is ample and convenient train service from bay points and quite a number of horse lovers will make the round trip to the MacKenzie plant for the day. Given good weather the winners should make a reduction in records gained over the exposition course, and the change may also cause a reversal of form that will bring out some new summary headers.

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THE FARM

HEREFORDS THE UTILITY BREED

An example of the prepotency of the Hereford, and not an exceptional one by any means, is related by W. E. Campbell, one of the pioneer cattlemen of Kansas. He says:

"One of my first Hereford purchases was the bull Prince Royal 1794. I used him on a herd of grade cows, and six little $12 southern Texas cows whose colors represented every hue of the rainbow. None of these Texac cows exceeded 700 pounds in weight. The following spring I had a magnificent group of whitefaced calves, to which the six little Texans contributed five steers and one heifer. From these I selected the heifer and three steers to feed for exhibition. Unfortunately an accident caused the death of the best steer.

"These half breeds were quite successfully shown as yearlings in company with my pure bred Herefords at the leading western fairs and afterwards at the Chicago fat stock show, where they attracted much attention and were greatly admired. Although there were no classes for such an exhibit they were highly complimented by the judges and managers of that great show. The heifer was christened Texas Jane, and the steers Texas Bill and Texas Jack in honor of their maternal ancestry. Texas Jane tipped the beam at 1260 pounds in her yearling form and was sold to A. A. Crane & Son for $150. These gentlemen kept this heifer on exhibition at the Kansas City stock yards for three years and she did much in calling the attention of ranchmen to the Herefords as superior range animals. Texas Bill weighed 1682 pounds in his two year old form and was sold on a special order at 8c per pound to be served on the banquet table at the ice carnival of the twin cities—Minneapolis and St. Paul.

"Texas Jack weighed 1920 pounds as a three year old, when he was exhibited at the Kansas City fat stock show in competition with all breeds open to the world. The class was not only large but of unusual merit. It contained not only phenomenal steers from Kentucky, Illinois, Missouri and other states that had never met defeat in the show ring, but there was also one imported from Scotland that had but a few weeks previous been awarded champion honors over all breeds at the New Orleans exposition. But when put to the severest of all tests, on the butcher's block, all went down in defeat before my half Hereford, half Texan, range bred steer Texas Jack, which was declared the winner and the champion bullock. He was sold for 10c per pound live weight or $192, and his choice cuts were retailed as premium beef in Kansas City at 50c per pound."

The experience of range cattlemen has been that the Hereford is the only beef breed that can be used continuously in a grade herd without eventual deterioration in size, quality and constitution. Experience has demonstrated that with other breeds the point is reached where fresh blood of the same breed is frequently introduced into the herd when improvement ceases and a decline begins, and the introduction of alien blood is necessary to check the tendency to retrogression. That Hereford blood can be used continuously in the same herd and the improvement of that herd continued, always providing fresh and vigorous pure blood Hereford sires are employed, is due t othe great vitality of the breed, the vigor of constitution implanted in it at its inception and carefully developed and preserved through successive generations. McConnell & Wood, extensive cattle growers in Australia, wrote in 1885:

"We have had a great opportunity of observing the development of the Hereford cross. In years past we owned a very well bred herd of Shorthorn cattle, the direct descendants of imported stock. They were very superior cattle, of splendid quality, rich color, with big bodies on short legs. In a few years the constitution gave way, the cattle became sickly, light in the forerib, narrow and persistently lighter in color, and this came about in spite of the spaying, culling, changing the bulls often and taking care to get pure bulls. In 1872 it was decided that Hereford bulls should be introduced altogether and the breed adhered to. This momentous resolve has been more than satisfactory. We now own about 7,000 head of well bred cattle with capital constitution and handsome appearance.

"We hand wean a greater per cent than of old, the cattle are quieter and we can keep a greater number on our freehold. It has been very interesting to notice the steady improvement of the herd as each successive draft of pure sires has been introduced. At the second cross a good number of the females were ill-shaped, of a bad color and of a generally nondescript appearance. The pure bull corrected all that and now we have reached a stage in which 80 per cent of the calves are properly marked with the characteristic colors and appearance of Hereford cattle. The cattle are vigorous, hardy and fat from the start, and we are confident there is no breed like them for making, entirely on grass, prime bullocks at three and a half years old, weighing 750 pounds dressed weight, and to this we add there is no breed like them for acommodating themselves to the changes and chances that grazing cattle are exposed to in this capricious and uncertain and often rainless Australian climate."

Discussing the prospects for British live stock in Brazil, the Journal of the Board of Agriculture, England, says: "Among numerous Shorthorn bulls imported, a few, which have been able to resist the climate, have produced offspring by crossing to which they they have transmitted many of their characteristics, increasing the production of meat and milk. The examples of crossing are at the present time too few to permit of an acurate judgment being passed as to their value for improving the native cattle. Similar observations are made as to the Hereford, but the crosses are more numerous and the several breeds who are satisfied with the results so far obtained are continuing their experiments on a larger scale. In particular the Brazil Land, Cattle & Packing Co. have decided that the Hereford stock is best suited to local conditions and are credited with the intention of importing large numbers of this breed."

Many instances might be cited in proof of the claim that the Hereford, because of its prepotency, will with fewer crosses than any other beef breed eliminate alien blood and impart the outstanding characteristics of the breed on the offspring. On April 18, 1912, Leon Wheeler, a shipper of Osborne, Mo., market at St. Joseph, Mo., a load of butcher stuff which included one heifer that weighed 1980 pounds and sold for $8 per hundred, the highest price ever paid on that market for a heifer. She was sired by a registered Hereford bull, and her dam was the product of the crossing of a registered Hereford bull and a pure bred Jersey cow. Although one-fourth Jersey this heifer was perfectly marked and exhibited all the characteristics of a pure bred Hereford. The two crosses eliminated practically all the Jersey characteristics.

One of the last shipments of Mexican cows, the old time yellow longhorns of the Texas range, was received at Kansas City in the fall of 1910. The cows had been mated with a pure bred Hereford bull and had white-faced calves at their sides. The cows averaged slightly under 700 pounds each and brought $17.45 a head. The calves averaged 200 pounds and sold at 08 per hundred, or $16 per head. In this instance the first cross of a Hereford sire returned nearly 100 per cent on the investment in the dams. The prepotency of the Hereford appears to be as much a fixed characteristic of the breed as the red and white markings or the tendency to fatten with exceptional ease. This characteristics prepotency seems not to be affected by high feeding any more than it is by hardship on the range. For this reason the Hereford is held in as high esteem as a geef producing animal in the corn belt as it is in the range country.

For crossing with the grade cows on the average farm, many of which contain a considerable proportion of the blood of some beef breed, the pure bred Hereford sire is now admitted to give the best results. The product of such a cross is a beef animal of good type and conformation possessing the highly desirable quality of fattening easily and at an early age and giving a good account of grass and forage. The ease with which females containing an infusion of Hereford blood can be carried through the winter is one of the strong points in favor of the breed. The Hereford cow carried through the winter on forage alone comes out in the spring in fair flesh and vigorous constitution, produces a good, strong, healthy calf and takes good care of it on grass until it is ready to be placed in the feedlot, thus reducing the cost of growing beef on the farm to the minimum.

The secret of the superior prepotency of the Hereford is the be found in its greater heart girth which provides an abundance of room for the full development and free action of the vital organs. All authorities agree on this point, that the Hereford as a breed has a better heart girth and a stronger constitution than other breeds and as a consequence is more industrious, a better feeder, a surer breeder, can withstand adverse conditions better and transmit its characteristics more surely and in a larger degree to its offspring when mated with common grade cattle than other breeds.—American Hereford Journal.

DESCENDANTS OF THE SMUGGLED BUCK.

I in the year 1881 the sultan of Turkey prohibited, under the death penalty, any exportation of Angora goats from his country. Some years later Dr. G. Bailey, of Southern California, became deeply interested in goats and determined to go to Turkey to secure some stock. He secured a man to accompany him, and his reminiscence of the very hazardous adventure is told in his own concise statement.

"We had no difficulty in buying four of the very choicest specimens and would have bought more but for the terrific difficulty in getting them out of the country and the sure death to us if what we were doing was discovered. It means transportation on mule back for days and more days on camel backs and in a close carriage. Then Then carried for miles in sacks on men's backs, we reached the Bosphorus and stowed them under the deckload of hay on one of the flat-boat. We got them into Constantinople and round to the steamer wharf in an open wagon—the best we could do. But before that we sheared them, although the weather was very cold, but that incriminating wool had to comé off. Then we rolled them in coal dust to further hide their identity, and after being stopped three times by police, whom we blinded with a little money, and by customs officers whom we managed to hoodwink, we got them out."

The descendants of these four goats are to be found on several ranches in the Western country, but it is stated that the Glenn and Gagon Company of Utah has the largest number of such breed.

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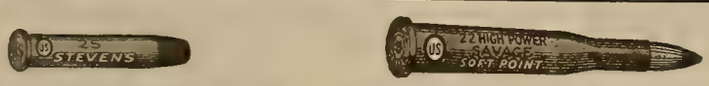
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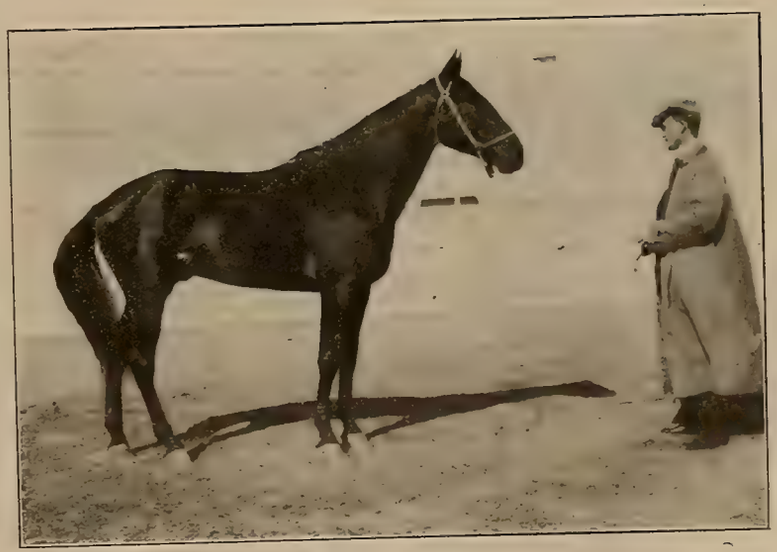






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"Modern Horse Management" — Timmis.

Much more pretentious and much more appealing in its general scope than Professor Hadley's strictly professional work is another recent arrival from a far country, "Modern Horse Management" from the press of Cassell & Company of London (F. A. Stokes Co., New York). The latter publication serves a much wider field in an entirely different manner and will be found a valued addition to any horseman's library, no matter how well stocked its shelves may be. Additional interest accrues to its pages through the fact that its author, Captain R. S. Timmis of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, is now on active service in France with the British Expeditionary Forces. Indeed, it was from the front that we received our first advices concerning the work under discussion. Captain Timmis brought to the preparation of this work not only a genuine love for the horse, but a wealth of practical experience gained in various fields of activity in both the old and new worlds. While his home is in Kent and the book is from a London press, a great part of the manuscript of Modern Horse Management was prepared during Captain Timmis' sojourn in the Dominion of Canada, many pages both of text and illustrations possessing a distinctively North American flavor.

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Since the article was written we regret to state that Harvester Dillon, the weanling foal thrown by Lou Dillon to the cover of The Harvester, suffered a fatal attack of bowel trouble, dying suddenly on November 11 at the farm. Only a short time before Mr. Billings and a party of friends had found him in most promising condition, and the loss is a severe one not only to Mr. Billings but to the trotting world in general. The offspring of the greatest trotting mare and the greatest trotting stallion, he should under ordinary conditions have exerted a considerable influence upon the trotting horse of the future, and his career would have been watched with more interest than that of any other youngster of his day.

POWER PATCH (5) 2:03½.

On our cover page this week we take pleasure in presenting Trainer Railey Macey of the International 1:55 Horse Farm and the five-year-old bay stallion Power Patch 2:03½, whose mile in that notch constitutes the fastest recorded performance of the season of 1915 on the Pacific Coast. He comes rightly by his speed and his name and general qualifications as well, being a son of that unrivalled pacing king, Dan Patch 1:55¼ and the glorious old "Queen of the Bullrings," "Aunt" Effie Powers 2:08¼, a pair who have forgotten more about winning races than many a trainer ever knew. Effie Powers, had she left no history save that made by herself on the race courses of the eastern states, would have remained famous for many a long year, but from all indications she is to secure still further fame through the sons she left behind at the Savage Farm when she answered the final "paddock call" some months ago, Power Patch 2:03½ and Liberty Patch 2:07½. The former, brought to California last spring by Mr. Macey, has progressed steadily during the summer in speed, manners, and physical condition, maturing into a nice big horse, clean cut and powerful. So well has the California environment agreed with him that he will be wintered at Los Angeles, with others from the Savage establishment, and if he continues to do well will probably be staked down the big line next season. He has developed about as much speed as any of the crop of stake pacers in sight, and if he does make good to a point in accord with present indications he will start down the line with the best wishes of the countless friends of that good sportsman, M. W. Savage, his owner.

Our Water Troughs in San Francisco

BY WM. K. GUTZKOW

Editor's Note.—Mr. Gutzkow, while a stranger to some of our readers, needs no introduction to many of them, having been active for years in furthering the welfare of our dumb friends. He is the youngest member of the Board of Trustees of the S. P. C. A., a former Park Commissioner, and a prominent figure in the city's social and business life.

San Francisco is one of the few large cities in the United States in which the needs of animals have been sadly neglected, from the standpoint of providing them with public drinking facilities. Although the city is well provided with statuary and other structures designed to ornament and beautify the city, it has been noticeably barren of fountains that offer refreshment to beasts. Few cities have shown a greater indifference to the needs of their animal inhabitants. When the writer visited Milwaukee some time ago, he was deeply impressed by the magnificent fountain erected there in honor of Henry Bergh, the great humanitarian whose name is revered throughout the civilized world as the founder of humane work in America. This beautiful and massive fountain was erected in City Hall Square, Milwaukee, in 1891. It is one of the largest and most elaborate pieces of architecture designed to afford refreshment to beasts ever erected in this country. The fountain is circular in shape, with drinking accommodations for both large and small animals. Small receptacles on the sides or provided for dogs and other small animals, while horses and the larger beasts drink from the main basin, which may be approached from all sides and affords accommodations for a great number of animals at one time. The entire structure is surmounted by a handsome bronze statue of Henry Bergh.

Up to the year 1910, San Francisco did not own or maintain a single drinking trough for animals. A number of years ago, the San Francisco Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals installed several troughs throughout the city and paid the water bills, which amounted to quite an item. Through the kindness of the Draymen's Association, four hundred dollars was subscribed to install four water troughs in the busy teaming district of the city and for years they defrayed the expense of water and upkeep.

The San Francisco society later prevailed upon the team owners of the city to pay the water bills for the troughs. At least the burden of paying for water for the nineteen troughs became too great and the Board of Supervisors in 1910 were induced to assume payment of all future water bills. The nineteen drinking stations (including the handsome granite memorial fountain at Mission and 13th streets) are located at the following places: Kentucky and Fourth, Market and Valencia, Otis and Twelfth, San Bruno and and Dwight, Lincoln Way and 18th Ave., Oak and Masonic, Fifteenth and Dolores, California, Market and Drumm, Van Ness and Bay, Cornwall and Sixth, Mission and West Mission, Market and Battery, Townsend and Second, Embarcadero and Vallejo, Embarcadero and Howard, Embarcadero and Commercial, Sixth and Berry, Eighth and Townsend, Sixteenth and Alabama.

Knowing that the few troughs maintained were in no wise sufficient to accommodate the nineteen thousand work horses in this city and believing that we should stand as an example to other cities in humane progress and consideration for the needs of other creatures, the writer recently undertook to secure by public subscription a fund for the erection of a fountain for animals; and it is my hope and earnest desire to see erected in this city within a few years a fountain as beautiful, magnificent and useful as the one erected in Milwaukee—a fountain which shall be dedicated to the Work Horse and be commemorative of the noble work performed by that animal in this city after the calamity of 1906, in carting away debris and hauling building materials which made possible the rehabilitation of our city in such a remarkably short time.

At present several thousand dollars have been promised, and by conscientious effort the writer hopes to swell this sum to at least $20,000, in order that we may erect a monument to the HORSE that will stand as a lasting tribute to this faithful animal and his work.

Arizona State Fair

REPORT THROUGH COURTESY OF MAGNUS LAWS

Phoenix, Monday, Nov. 15.—"Arizona horses only" was the qualifying phrase for the classes which formed the light harness program for opening day at the Arizona State Fair, and while the time was not extremely fast there were a number of good contests and one new state record was established.

Naboth Jr., the untraced chestnut gelding from Tucson, was the unexpected winner of the 2:25 trot, his consistent performance placing him at the head of the summary with only one winning heat to his credit. Sadie View, who drove him out in the first heat and won the third, might have beaten him for first money save for an unlucky break in the second. She swerved into another sulky on leaving her feet, giving Lester Selman a rough tumble and going on alone, the judges placing her. Teddy Bunch also had a spill in the final heat but was unhurt, Lady Leco stumbling and falling just after passing the wire.

Zombrino and Gay Tommie put up a closely contested race in the event for 2:20 pacers, the former taking two out of the three heats by narrow margins and was barely nosed out in the second. Navajo had practically a walkover in the two-year-old trot, setting the record for Arizona bred youngsters of the age and gait at 2:27¼ in the second heat. A neat little contest developed for place, Dr. Davidson forcing Belzabola to let out a notch or so in the final brushes to make the position.

Save in the 2:20 pace the fields were rather hard to handle and Starter Updegraff had to resort to a heart to heart talk with the drivers before any satisfactory scoring was obtained. Ted Bunch was the Murphy of the day, his mounts heading the summaries in two out of the three events and winning five out of the eight heats raced. The details:

Monday, Nov. 5.—2:25 trot, Arizona horses, purse $1000:

Naboth Jr., ch g, untraced.....(McEuen)	1	2	2
Sadie View, br m by Direct View.....(Selman)	2	5	1
Lady Leco, bl m by Cochise.....(Bunch)	5	1	
Meridian Jr., bl g by Meridian.....(Mooney)	3	3	3
Delano, bl m by Oh So.....(Lopez)	4	4	4

Time—2:14½, 2:15½, 2:14¼.

2:20 pace, Arizona horses, purse $1,000:

Zombrino, bl h by Prince Zombro.....(Bunch)	1	2	1
Gay Tommie, b g by Tom Ferguson.....(McNab)	2	1	2
Queen T., b m by Oh So.....(J. McEuen)	3	4	3
Direct So, br h by Direct View.....(L. McEuen)	4	3	4
MacLeland, br g by Leland D.....(Wheat)	5	6	5
Kuropatkin, br h by Gambetta Wilkes..(Barkley)	6	5	6

Time—2:21¼, 2:25¼, 2:21½.

Two-year-old trot, Arizona horses, purse $500:

Navajo, b f by Dr. Clark.....(Bunch)	1	1	
Belzabola, b f by Redlac.....(Carman)	2	2	
Dr. Davidson, b c by Dr. Clark.....(Clark)	3	3	
Della Patch, b m by Patchlock.....(Owens)	4	4	

Time—2:34, 2:27¼.

Tuesday, Nov. 10.—With the arrival of a few stables of horses from the exposition track at San Francisco and their participation in today's races things began to be a little livelier at the local course, Will Durfee, Lon Daniels, Joe Jones and Billy Best all figuring in some warm finishes.

The best race of the day was the 2:04 pace, in which Durfee had named both White Sox and Clara Mac, the crowd being much pleased when he elected to start the former, California's largest money winning pacer of the present season. Potrero Boy, the big gelding from the Silva stable, and the ever-reliable Leata J. were the other starters, the resultant contest being a pretty one. Close pressed by the others Sox won the first heat in 2:06½ and then spoiled her chances for the next by a break in the first quarter. Durfee then treated the spectators to a real thrill by setting her down for a middle half in a minute flat and forcing Potrero Boy and Leata to pace in 2:06¼ to head her to the wire, this being as fast a heat as the winner has to his credit in a public performance. Again in the final mile the bay mare broke but caught handily and came on to win by a safe margin in 2:06¼.

Durfee's luck in the 2:12 trot was not so good, as Sargo, after winning the first heat just like a horse that had the race at his command, though well driven out by The Proof and Mabel Van, went a bit wrong and was third in the second heat and distanced in the last one. Mabel Van annexed the second nicely and Daniels drove The Proof to the front in the third, his standing of second in both previous attempts putting him at the head of the summary.

The two-year-old pace for Arizona bred horses was a call for the filly Marguerite, who failed to pace within some seconds of the time made in the same class last year by Maydella. Vic was a sturdy contender most of the time, the two named having considerable advantage over Lelia Mack and Dama. The summary:

Tuesday, Nov. 16.—Two-year-old pace, Arizona horses, purse $500:

Marguerite, b f by Airault.....(Enfield)	1	1	
Vic, b g by Director.....(Clark)	2	3	
Lelia Mac, b f by Leland D.....(Wheat)	4	2	
Dama, bl c by Directly.....(Selman)	3	4	

Time—2:35, 2:37½.

2:12 trot, purse $1,000:

The Proof, b h by The Exponent.....(Daniels)	2	2	1
Mabel Van, b m by On Stanley.....(Best)	3	1	2
Sadie View, br m by Direct View.....(Wheat)	4	4	3
Sargo, b g by Keeler.....(Durfee)	1	3	dr

Time—2:11½, 2:11½, 2:14¼.

2:04 pace, purse $1,000:

White Sox, b m by Del Coronado.....(Durfee)	1	3	1
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio.....(Daniels)	2	1	2
Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney.....(Jones)	3	2	3

Time—2:06½, 2:06¼, 2:06¼.

Wednesday, Nov. 17.—The most creditable performances of today were those of Otis Jr. and Roxie D., winners respectively of the three-year-old trot and three-year-old pace for Arizona colts. Otis Jr., with Tom Pollock's nice filly, Irene Strathmore, closely following him, trotted both heats in the state record time of 2:22¼, third and fourth money being divided between the two-year-olds Navajo and Dr. Davidson. Roxie D.'s performance in 2:20¼ also constitutes a state record, she being driven out in each heat by Maydella, the filly who won this class last year as a two-year-old.

The 2:15 pace was expected to materialize into a fairly fast affair but failed to do so. Contention B. took the first heat handily in 2:16¼ but went away a bit back in the second, Durfee nodding for the word. Gay Tommie went to the front for a win in 2:16¼, which was too much for Contention after the distance lost on the start. It evidently was a sufficiency for Tommie, also, the Durfee entry taking the third mile in much slower time. The summary:

Wednesday, Nov. 17.—Three-year-old trot, Arizona horses, purse $500:

Otis Jr., b c by James Otis.....(Wheat)	1	1	
Irene Strathmore, ch f by Knight of Strathmore.. .....(Carman)	2	2	
Navajo, b f by Dr. Clark.....(Bunch)	3	4	
Dr. Davidson, b c by Dr. Clark.....(Clark)	4	3	
Miss Emily, b f by Knight of Strathmore (Selman)	5	5	
Baby Joy, ch c by Direct So.....(McEuen)	6	6	

Time—2:22¼, 2:22¼.

2:15 pace, purse $1,000:

Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro.....(Durfee)	1	3	1
Gay Tommie, b g by Tom Ferguson...(McNab)	3	1	3
Zombrino, bl h by Prince Zombro.....(Bunch)	2	2	2

Time—2:18½, 2:16¼, 2:23¼.

Three-year-old pace, Arizona horses, purse $500:

Roxie D., b f by Leland D.....(Enfield)	1	1	
May Della, bl f by Lou Kinney.....(Carman)	2	2	
Vinie B., b f by Leland D.....(Clark)	3	3	
Marguerite, b f by Airault.....(Yore)	4	4	

Time—2:23½, 2:20¼.

Thursday, Nov. 18.—"The best sport of the meeting" was the verdict of the spectators at the fair today, the contests being good and the time more on the genuine Phoenix order. For the second time during the week White Sox, Potrero Boy and Leata J. went to the mat for three falls, and for the second time they stood in the summary as named. There was this difference, however: Sox grabbed all three decisions and paced each mile in the same notch, 2:05¼, the race being the fastest ever contested at this season of the year. She went into the lead as soon as the word was given the first time out, Leata J. wresting the position from her a bit later only to lose it again, Potrero Boy also passing Leata before the wire was reached. In the next trip Sox went away slightly at a disadvantage and Potrero Boy set the pace to the head of the stretch, where Durfee started a drive that landed him winner over the Boy for the second time. For the final trip Sox cut out the pace and won all the way, stepping the last half in 1:00½ and the last quarter in :28¼, the crowd giving her a royal send-off. Her opponents were both fast and game but couldn't handle her in the form she displayed.

Columbia T., The Lark and Kildare all drew a heat in the 2:18 trot, The Lark's mile in 2:12¼ being the fastest. In the first the Durfee mare broke early and lost much ground, though she trotted a good-hearted mile after settling and raced Columbia T. for the second, the Silva mare being so close that the judge's decision as to the winner was necessary before the spectators could be sure who had led the way. A break in the third cost Columbia T. her chance and Kildare romped home in front with Sadie View keeping him company. The latter lass, incidentally, was the most consistent race of any of the money winners.

The 2:09 trot was a hot fight between Albaloma, Kid Cupid and Esperanza, Mabel Van being a trifle back of the leaders. Albaloma took two heats in 2:09¼ with Esperanza crowding him very closely, the daughter of Carlokin losing her chance to win the first by a break when near the wire. The third was anybody's heat until a few lengths from the wire when that famous bean spiller, Kid Cupid, drew away to win from Esperanza in 2:10¼, Albaloma tailing off a trifle. The summary:

Thursday, Nov. 18—2:18 trot, purse $1,000:

Columbia T., b m by Bon Guy.....(Daniels)	1	2	2
The Lark, b m by Carlokin.....(Durfee)	6	1	1
Kildare, bl g by Zombro.....(Bunch)	4	5	3
Sadie View, br m by Direct View.....(Wheat)	2	3	4
Naboth Jr., ch g untraced.....(McEuen)	3	6	5
Larry K., b g by Larry Kinney.....(Best)	5	4	6

Time—2:13¼, 2:12¼, 2:14¼.

2:09 trot, purse $1,000:

Albaloma, b g by Almaden D.....(Quinn)	1	1	3
Kid Cupid, ch g by Cupid.....(Daniels)	3	3	1
Esperanza, b m by Carlokin.....(Durfee)	2	2	2
Mabel Van, b m by On Stanley.....(Best)	4	4	4

Time—2:09¼, 2:09¼, 2:10¼.

Free-for-all pace, purse $1,000:

White Sox, b m by Del Coronado.....(Durfee)	1	1	1
Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio.....(Daniels)	2	2	2
Leata J., br m by Royal McKinney.....(Jones)	3	3	3

Time—2:05¼, 2:05¼, 2:05¼.

Friday, Nov. 19.—Owing to the fact that several classes originally announced failed to fill, the regular program of harness races was cleaned up yesterday, so Secretary Shaughnessy arranged three special events for today, each one of them resulting in an interesting race for blood. The 2:05 pace was the occasion for the third meeting of those two good three-year-old pacers, Bondalean and Rayo de Oro, the two colts going after each other's hide from the jump. Bondalean was in strange hands and in the first heat was third when Rayo de Oro romped home barely front of Potrero Boy in 2:07¼. In the second, however, the Silva colt went to the front for a mile in 2:06¼ with Potrero Boy again the contender. This put a quietus on both the youngsters and the big Demonio gelding took the last heat (and the race) with a mile in 2:09½, Billy Best getting Clara Mac under way to drive him out. These are the fastest miles ever paced here by three-year-olds and the performances of the youngsters pleased the spectators very much.

Albaloma won his second race in two days but had to surrender the last heat to Sargo, the white faced gelding from the Durfee stable. Esperanza, with Henry Atkinson doing the teaming, drove out the winner in each heat, Albaloma dropping to third place when the time was cut from 2:10 to 2:07½. Earlier in the week Sargo hit himself and was eventually distanced after winning one heat, but today was in good shape and improved as the race progressed.

The Proof won his second race of the week handily by taking the first and third heats and being second in the other, won by the Durfee trotter, Old Folks. The Lark went a good race for Henry Atkinson and Columbia T. had small difficulty in outranking Larry K. for the small end of the money. The summary:

Friday, Nov. 19—2:05 pace, purse $1,000:

Potrero Boy, b g by Demonio.....(Daniels)	2	2	1
Bondalean, b c (3) by The Bondsman....(Quinn)	3	1	5
Rayo de Oro, ch c by Copa de Oro.....(Durfee)	1	5	4
Contention B., b g by Copa de Oro....(Atkinson)	4	3	3
Clara Mac, br m by Expressive Mac.....(Best)	5	4	2

Time—2:07¼, 2:06¼, 2:09½.

2:09 trot, purse $1,000:

Albaloma, b g by Almaden D.....(Quinn)	1	1	2
Sargo, b g by Keeler.....(Durfee)	4	4	1
Esperanza, b m by Carlokin.....(Atkinson)	2	2	2
Kid Cupic, ch g by Cupid.....(Daniels)	3	3	4

Time—2:11¾, 2:10, 2:07½.

2:13 trot, purse $1,000:

The Proof, b h by The Exponent.....(Daniels)	1	2	1
Old Folks, b g by Del Coronado..... ..(Durfee)	3	1	3
The Lark, b m by Carlokin.....(Atkinson)	2	5	2
Columbia T., b m by Bon Guy.....(Quinn)	5	3	4
Larry K., b g by Larry Kinney.....(Best)	4	4	5

Time—2:13½, 2:11¾, 2:12¼.

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During the season just past four yearlings by The Exponent 2:11¾, and three by Trampfast (2) 2:12¼ entered the standard list. All have been driven to their records by Alex Wishart over the Springfield, Ill., track. Two of these trotters, both by Trampfast, received their training at the hands of C. Ed Coffman, Sullivan, Ind., and were the only trotters of their age by either of the sires named to be worked by Mr. Coffman in 1915. Aside from the pair mentioned, Wishart had only five yearlings in training, but placed them all to the credit of their sires. These were: Princess Robey (1) 2:25, The Design (1) 2:27¼, The Combination (1) 2:29¼, Flashfast (1) 2:30, Tripfast (1) 2:30, The Sign (1) 2:21¾, and Treadfast (1) 2:23¼.—Western Horseman.

District Fairs and The Trotter

AS VIEWED BY THE EDITOR

In writing of the situation in California concerning the future of the county or district fair there are so many different angles from which the matter not only may but must be viewed that, once started, there is no telling where this article, screed or spasm—according to how your views and mine coincide, or to how widely they differ—will end up. Only by threshing things over, however, can the good be gleaned from the bad in every crop of ideas, and the time for that threshing has arrived. Our fairs have practically ceased to exist save in a few exceptional localities; our breeding industry has fallen away until Peter the Great could scarcely earn his keep here, and the local market for light harness horses has simply ceased to exist. Betting we do not have nor will we soon have it in my opinion; state aid for district fairs by legislative appropriation we do not have but may obtain if properly sought, I believe, and it lies with horsemen themselves to make the fight for the re-establishment of the subsidized fair and the rehabilitation of light harness racing in general favor purely and simply as a commercialized sport. Pledged to this course we now have with us the Pacific Coast Fair Association, and as its activities are soon to be under way, and as it is distinctly a horseman's organization in its original inception, it is most fitting that horsemen should devote considerable thought as to how its campaign may best be conducted to insure its successful culmination. Our breeders have given much thought, much time, and expended much money in laying the foundations for the production of speed, breeding colts and preparing to have speed on tap in future years, but their energies have been one-sided—while making every safeguard for the production of race horses in days to come, they have absolutely neglected the equally important task of providing means of utilizing the speed they produce. A marketless product is a minus quantity. The horsebreeder must make his market or cease breeding, and the most assured speed market is that provided by the established fair with harness racing as one of its major adjuncts.

Right off the jump I have run crosswise of the man—whose name is legion—whose opinion is that the sole route to prosperity in the racing industry lies through the medium of legalized speculation. I am, personally, a warm supporter of the pari-mutuel system of wagering, through state license, at short meetings. I do not believe such a practice detrimental to public morals, nor do I believe that morality can be legislated into a community by "blue laws" or any of the countless "reform" measures we are so fond of inflicting—so ineffectually—upon ourselves. The establishment of the pari-mutuel machine in California would without doubt be a wonderful stimulus to the harness horse industry and bring to it a great wave of prosperity, but not a prosperity so assured, so permanent, so generally contributed to by the public as that which would accrue to it from the part it would play in district or county fairs.

My principal objection to speculation as the medium for rehabilitating the horse business lies in the unstable existence of "legalized" wagering. Whether or not we believe betting on our favorites is really wrong or really detrimental to the public good, we are forced to confess that it is contrary to the spirit if not to the letter of the law, and as such is always open to attack and censure on the part of a large portion of the general public. In certain states of the union we now have horseracing under commission regulation, with betting, and while there are statutes on the books of these states giving such methods of procedure a certain measure of legality they exist only at the pleasure of the people and are not really constitutional, as in almost every state there is an anti-gambling clause in the basic laws upon which the entire superstructure of its legal machinery is founded.

Any legislation which might be passed in the state of California permitting racetrack speculation must always be under fire from the fanatic and the "reformer," and with its repeal possible at any and every session of the legislature the prosperity created by it would not be a true prosperity. Under the first well organized attack the "law" creating it would go down in defeat, and breeders would find themselves just as badly off as they are at present. We might have three, five, ten or even more years of healthy activity in breeding and racing before the crash came; it is even remotely possible (though not probable) that the situation might be so pleasingly shaped that it would become enduring, but I doubt it. Any public operation contrary to the spirit of the law is afflicted with an inherent weakness that is liable to develop into a disease with fatal complications upon very slight provocation.

It has been thoroughly demonstrated in numerous other communities in America that speculation is not vital to the welfare of the harness horse industry, though running racing without betting has never proven sufficiently attractive to make it pay. The harness horse exerts a much stronger drawing power purely on his merits as a provider of entertainment, and nowhere does he to truly come into his own as at the county, district and state fairs. There are many people who attend fairs and occupy grandstand seats who would not go near a straight race meeting. At the fairs in most sections there is no open betting and very little handbook betting, speculation being confined almost exclusively to small wagers between friends and acquaintances. I venture to state that in certain sections of the central west the fairs, with betless harness racing, have returned a certain measure of profit year in and year out for the last two or three decades, the races given being of sufficient number and value to maintain the industry of breeding and racing trotters on a fairly decent basis. Year in and year out, these fairs draw good attendance because of the appeal their features exert upon the public mind, and because persons unalterably opposed to gambling may attend and enjoy the speed contests with no feeling of offense to their beliefs. Racing without betting should prove conducive of better real sport than racing with betting, as with only the purse as a reward there will be more real "leveling" and less inducement to dishonest practice. Reports from various state and county fairs of the east and central west for the season just passed are of a most satisfactory nature — good racing with plenty of interest, and good attendance.

Here in California we have had very many adverse conditions to combat in recent years, so that our own fairs have passed out of existence or are experimenting along strange lines. State aid was withdrawn some seasons ago as a result of several circumstances—one being the opposition of parties vitally interested in the running tracks, and another being lax and, in some instances, dishonest conduct. The racing deteriorated in quality and attractiveness at many meetings, premium lists, for which the state provided a goodly portion of the money, were framed largely for the benefit of certain interested and influential parties, and under these circumstances it is not a matter of wonderment that the fairs "petered out." Nor is it strange that they are hard to revive, or that the public refuses to display a widespread and enthusiastic interest in racing. The inherent love of the horse is instilled in the hearts of a great majority of the American people, but in too many sections it has suffered from bad racing. Given properly managed fairs with real horseracing—not hippodroming—and people take to them like a duck to water.

The season we have just gone through has been an unusual one on account of the exposition, the state fair and a number of smaller organizations according it the right of way and failing to stage either fair or races. A few fairs were given as usual, and Fresno, an old standby, gave a so-called fair without horse racing. The results at the various places shed interesting light on the general situation.

The Humboldt County Fair Association put on its twentieth annual event early in September at Ferndale and, as usual, the venture was attended with considerable success. The speed program at Ferndale is not pretentious, and is confined to horses owned in Humboldt county for a certain period prior to the staging of the fair, but real horse races develop and the people like them. Both the harness horses and the runners are provided for, and the premium list for the other features furnishes awards for the principal products of the county, as well as for the household arts, and other customary features. This season there were eight harness events, one of which went six heats to a decision, one heat being a dead one. The fair paid its way as usual—and this in a county which until a few months ago had no railway communication with outside points. Given a bit of appropriation from the state, with certain races open to all comers and others restricted to horses from the county or district, the opportunities offered by Humboldt county for the building up of a truly great fair are most excellent.

Having seen what has been accomplished in Northern California under many restrictions, let us turn to the other end of the state. There the fairs were dead until one or two venturesome towns made an attempt at a revival a year or so ago. These attempts form the brightest chapters in present day county fair history in California, for they have been successful, they have proven beyond doubt the opportunities California's settled sections present for the promotion of properly conducted fairs.

Down on the coast in the snug little city of Ventura a number of business men got together a couple of years ago and decided to put on a modest little fair, the effort being blessed with much more success than they had anticipated. Last summer they went at it a little stronger, but still modestly. Their premium list was a comprehensive one and a modern one though the awards were not high in figure; the speed program was a small one and the purses moderate but here is the result: The exhibits were good, the spirit of neighborhood rivalry ran high, the people turned out well every day and everybody saw the horse races, which were real contests, in the afternoon; the association cleared in the neighborhood of $2,500 and next year they are going at it early in the season and have a bigger, better event in every way, especially in the speed department. Two hundred and fifty to five hundred dollars has been about Ventura's limit for a harness race, with very few of them, but last advices from there are to the effect that for 1916 they will hang up larger purses and more of them.

Down in Ventura they have the true "fair idea" that will guarantee a successful fair every year. From a statement made last summer by the leading executives of the association, President Camarillo and Secretary Hathaway, we take the following proofs of this assertion: "The fair of 1914 was purely experimental in its entirety. No one connected with the management had had recent experience in the conduct of amusements on a similar scale, and some of those more intimately connected with the detailed work had never had such experience. Therefore, looking at the fair of 1914 and the great success which attended it one wonders that such a thing was possible. Here is the key to the whole thing—there was wholesome co-operation and everybody worked. The heads of departments last year frequently heard the remark from visitors: 'I hope there'll be a fair in 1915, for I have some things at home that will beat anything I have seen here.' That is why we have a fair in 1915 and why we will continue to have fairs; the competitive instinct will keep the fair spirit alive as long as calendars are published, beans grow and cocks crow."

Lusty as is the young fair at Ventura, there is yet another in the Southland that is even more robust—that at Riverside. In 1913 Riverside gave an experimental fair under all sorts of handicaps, but it met with such favor that the association went at it in earnest. New grounds were equipped, a new half-mile track was built and in 1914 they gave a real fair. It was a hummer and the harness races were a big card, eight three-hundred-dollar purses and a few individual performances. The fair proved that it was on the right track, and this year the premium list was more pretentious and there were more races, some of them for larger purses than in 1914. The races were good hot ones, one event between White Sox and Vera Hal being contested in world's record time, and the public simply couldn't stay away. The association spent several thousand dollars on further improvements of its fair grounds during the summer and made it all back and quite a tidy bit over. This is not guesswork, but actual fact, and the association's officers can prove it with the cash on hand.

Success, like many other less desirable things, is

sometimes contagious, and this seems to be the case with fairs in Southern California. Santa Ana, viewing with envious eye the stimulus to Riverside's trade effected by her fair, decided to cut in on the good thing. She didn't decide "very hard," as her racetrack and grounds had lain idle for so many years that it seemed like asking a miracle to demand that they come to life, but she did indulge in a little experimental fair, under difficulties. The first day was rather dull, folks couldn't get it in their heads that there was really "anything doing" at the start, but before the week was over everybody was going, mostly to see the races. They raced right in the trail of the track record while the crowds cheered; the experiment paid its way, and now Santa Ana is in line, from all late reports, for a new fair ground with a first class halfmile track.

Ferndale, Ventura, Riverside and Santa Ana, the four California towns in which financially successful fairs were held in 1915, each gives the speed department credit for drawing the bulk of the attendance, and consequently paying the profit. Concerning the case of Fresno, the follower after strange gods, and of the field of endeavor open to the Pacific Coast Fair Association, we will go into detail next week.

WAR HORSE TRAFFIC IN OHIO.

It's a far cry from Shady Ohio pasture land to the firing lines of Europe's battlefields.

Plain Bill-hoss, accustomed to nothing more militant than a pestiferous fly or hornet, is an Ohio product that is proving a mighty big factor in the current unpleasantness across the seas.

Of course there are Bill-hosses from other states, but the good old Buckeye red barn belt has furnished through one firm alone no less than one-fifth of the entire exportation of horses made by the United States to the warring nations abroad.

Within the past few months B. F. Smythe & Sons of Alliance, Stark county, have shipped to France, England and Belgium 53,000 horses, a large percentage of which were bred within the state. France is the heaviest buyer, ordering 30,000 from the Alliance firm, while England put in her order for 20,000.

There is rather a pathetic note in little Belgium's plea for 2,000, indicating that she is making a brave attempt to restore some of her impoverished agricultural resources. "Send us farm horses," King Albert's country asked, "we want the kind that can pull plows rather than cannon."

The Smythe firm, which consists of the father, Frank Smythe, known over the state as an expert judge of horses for nearly half a century, and three sons: Thomas A., who supervises the shipments at the eastern ports; James C., in Chicago, who deals with the western trade, and William A., who with the father, maintains headquarters at Alliance. At present they are shipping more than 1,000 horses a week, and hundreds of these are straight from Ohio farms. After being loaded at various shipping points, principally at Alliance, the car loads of horses go to Richmond, Va., where the Smythes have extensive stock yards.

"More than 250,000 horses have been sent abroad since the war began," said W. A. Smythe, after he had finished judging the good, bad and indifferent points of a sprightly stepping bay, recently. "We have handled, I should say, about one-fifth of that number ourselves, with more orders coming all the time. But when one considers that the average life of a war horse does not exceed ten days, these demands are not surprising. An inspector told me recently that he knew of one instance where it took just seventy-four horses to place one cannon.

"The foreign governments are very particular about the animals they purchase," he continued. Each country sends its own inspectors and veterinarians over here, and each horse must pass muster, just as if he were a soldier. They double-cinch the proposition by requiring the o.k.'s of both the inspector and veterinarian.

"Most of these inspections take place at our stockyards at Richmond, because it is more convenient for the foreign officials as well as ourselves."

Mr. Scott's poetic lament over the loss of his charger, "Woe worth the chase, Woe worth the day, that cost thy life, my gallant gray!" doesn't fit in at all with modern military tactics. Grays, nowadays, be they ever so gallant, will never hear the call to arms these days. Neither will white horses be called upon to help remake the map of Europe. They are too conspicuous, that's all.

"Any other color but white and light gray will do," said Mr. Smythe. "Strength and endurance are the chief qualities demanded of a modern war steed. Each government specifies 'strong, rugged horses,' and in order to get by the inspector they must be pretty nearly sound.

"There are three kinds of horses which the allies find acceptable, each classified according to weight. One ranges from 1,000 to 1,150 pounds, used for cavalry purposes; another from 1,150 to 1,300, used for light artillery, and the third class includes those weighing from 1,300 to 1,500, for heavy artillery.

"As soon as a horse is thoroughly examined and approved by the foreign representatives, it next undergoes a branding process. All of them are branded on the hoof with the special mark of the government to which they are to be shipped. The inspector's individual mark is also burned on the hoof as well as the number of the horse and the letter showing to what branch of service it is intended. The cavalry horses each show the letter 'C,' the light artillery 'A' and the heavy artillery 'AA.' They are also branded occasionally on the hip and soulder.

"From 1,000 to 1,250 constitute a shipload, and we've averaged more than a shipload a week since the war began."

Mr. Smythe said that the average price ranged from $175 to $185. "I have not found any noticeable scarcity, as some persons not familiar with conditions might suspect. On the contrary, horses in Ohio are plentiful. I assume the automobile and the rapid increase in the use of motor trucks for delivery purposes are largely responsible. In the cities one does not see so many horses as formerly, but there are plenty on the farms."

Mr. Smythe thinks that when the war has ceased in Europe the foreign demand will be greater than ever.

"According to figures of the department of commerce, the United States is the great horse producing country. There are in the world about 50,000,000 horses, and one-half of this total number is in Uncle Sam's country," he said. "Until the war broke out there was but little exportation of horses annually. Then came these enormous demands and more than 125,000 have been sent the past year.

"When peace is restored there will be an appalling shortage of horses in Europe and they will be needed most of all for agricultural purposes. So many millions of farmers and farm laborers will have been killed off or disabled by maiming that much more animal power will be required than heretofore.

"Buying and selling horses for the European war market isn't all strictly business. With the horse so closely associated with humankind there's bound to be a bit of sentiment crop out occasionally.

"When I am on a scouting trip through the country for horses," Mr. Smythe continued, "I usually make my headquarters at the village livery, and by means of handbills and advertisements in the country papers let the farmers know when I'll be in the market for their horses. On one of these occasions a man and woman drove up and explained that their horse was for sale. I looked the animal over and decided to buy him. The woman, in the meantime had heard something of the ultimate purpose for which the horse, evidently a family pet, was to be used. She called a halt on the proceedings at once. 'Send Bill over there to be shot?' she said. 'I should say not!' And she and her husband climbed into the buggy and drove Bill back home.

"Another time a man brought a horse to me that had been in the family for some time. 'Is it true that you are sending them to Europe?' he asked. I told him it was. 'Well, I guess I'll have to let him go. I hate to part with him, but I need the money worse than I need him."

There were tears in his eyes as he took a farewell look at the big fellow and patted him on the nose. "If he's killed over there I don't suppose I'll ever hear about it anyway!"—Cleveland Leader.

A SUGGESTION ON ENTRANCE FEES.

Unquestionably free entrance for harness horses would be a most desirable condition of affairs, and every little while we see an article from the staff, or a letter from a casual contributor, appear in the various horse journals dealing with this subject.

Theoretically the idea is a beautiful one, but as yet the practicality of it has not been shown by such attendance as would justify the attempt by many associations to carry out such a meeting.

The last few years, however, have seen a very material reduction in the entrance fees and many meetings have been held at which the fees have been placed as low as two and a half per cent, while three per cent charges, especially for early closing events, have become quite common.

When one looks back to the days when all entrants paid ten per cent of the purse, the reduction of expense to the average campaigner has been great indeed, especially when we consider that during these years of reduction in fees the harness horse sport has each season discovered the introduction and popularizing of new sports, whose competition has to be met.

The great majority of race meetings held in the United States are not conspicuously successful from a financial standpoint at the present time; as a matter of fact, as horsemen very often discover to their sorrow and the turf journals are continually learning to their loss, each year finds some associations that are either unable or unwilling to carry out their preseason promises.

Consequently, we think we are safe in saying that the greater number of the meetings held very seldom do better than to pay all expenses and leave a little for upkeep of their grounds.

During the past year the attendance at the different points we visited was very good indeed, better at almost every racing point where we stopped than in former years, but harness horse racing gets little free advertising and there is no possibility of average associations dispensing with entrance fees and expecting to make up the deficit by an increased ga

The nature of the sport is such that exhibitio are given for less than half a year and the publici given the horse, during what might be termed t dormant season, is confined almost entirely to t exclusively harness horse publications.

If it were possible that the sport could receive ev a small amount of the free boosting given by t daily press for baseball and kindred forms of ent tainment, we could readily understand that free e trance could become an actuality and not a visio but at present we can count upon the fingers of o two hands the prominent dailies of the country th devote any amount of time or money to the doings the standard bred horse during the months in whi there is no active racing.

There is no reason why we can anticipate ar change in the policy of the daily press in the ne future, hence we conclude that the remedy for a improvement of conditions lies entirely in the han of the managers and secretaries of the racing ass ciations.

By our statements above, we have apparently mad out a case whereby the managers of the racir associations are absolved of all charges of person greed in their present system of conducting rac meetings, as we admit the present necessity of e trance fees, yet, we wish to call attention to way and means which would to a certain extent impro present conditions.

Not long ago we had occasion, at the request a horseman friend of ours, to examine a bill rendere by a trainer for a season's activities.

The horse in question, for which the bill was re dered, had been a consistent winner and had race at points from which we had regularly received r ports. In consequence we had data for each start the horse and it only involved a few minutes of ca culation to discover that the amount charged fo entrance fees was covered by the actual starts mad and that no charge was made for engagements tha the horse had at points where no start was made.

Needless to say, the trainer was given a check fo the bill he rendered but the owner asked him to ca at our office at a certain time to meet him.

On that occasion both trainer and owner met an the question was asked, how in the face of the fac that other engagements had been entered into fo which the owner considered himself liable, the trai er was able to render a bill for only the actual start

His answer was that in these instances "he talke the secretary out of the entrance fees."

From the standpoint of the owner in question, thi was a very desirable condition, but the idea immed ately forced itself upon us that the leniency shown i the particular instance must necessarily have bee at the expense of other owners who made no effor to be released from their entrance fees and had ac cepted a certain definite charge for each time the named a horse.

We realized that this particular case was no unique in itself and quietly began an investigatio into the matter, only to discover that it was a com mon thing for owners or trainers, who had mad several entries at a meeting, to be absolved fro payment except in cases where an actual start wa made.

This seems all right at the first view, but whe we discovered that this practice prevailed only where a personal request was made for such a ruling an that fees were charged on all horses named in case where the horsemen personally did not ask for con cessions, we were immediately forced to the conclu sion that it was a case where all were not being treated alike. In such instances a practical penalty was imposed upon those owners who regarded ar entry as necessarily an agreement to pay a certain sum of money, regardless of a start, and a reward was tendered to the others who tried to get out of their agreement.

This, we submit, is not fair dealing, as no concession should be made to one person at the expense of others. The practice is particularly bad because the associations publicly advertise their conditions are supposed to be on the same footing.

If associations can afford in this manner to remit fees, if their receipts are such that they do not find it necessary to charge all horsemen the amount they advertise as being required from each starter, the proper thing to do would be to reduce the fees of all entrants in proportion and not "make fish of one and flesh of another."

Let each association, that has been able to remit certain sums in the past in this manner, adopt the practice of reducing their charge of entrance to all, to the extent that would be warranted by such concessions, and insist upon each nomination being paid for, and we would find a very material reduction could be made.—American Sportsman.

Graham Bellini 2:11¼, after being here on the coast for a few seasons without distinguishing himself, has passed back into familiar hands, George Giannini having sold him during the exposition races to his old owner, Mr. Young of Tulsa, Oklahoma. He went from here to Libertyville, Ill., and goes into the hands of John McQuaig, who had him in charge as a colt. He is a fast and well bred horse but not a pleasant one for matinee purposes.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

NOTES and NEWS

Sargo 2:07½.
Bondalean (3) 2:06¼.
Rayo de Oro (3) 2:07¼.
White Sox three times in 2:05¼.
Potrero Boy 2:06¼, equaling his best record.
Evidently that Phoenix track is not so slow even in mid-winter.

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We really shouldn't mention it, perhaps, but while these "lizardly displays" were going on, that beloved climatic paradise which is the seat of our e. s. s. C. c. was being visited by a slight downfall of "the beautiful."

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Last week when we opined that Magnus Flaws would "relish an evening by the home fireside" we really "builded better than we knew." Some change after Phoenix.

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Old Folks won a heat in 2:11¾ at the Arizona State Fair, so Del Coronado's 2:10 list seems due for another boost next season unless the Durfee trotter has another run of hard luck.

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Providing weather conditions are agreeable—and they probably will be so—ice racing will commence the second week of January at Toronto. This is one brand of sport denied to residents of Sunny California, but Los Angeles may have a harness matinee on the afternoon of Christmas day.

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Jack London continues to increase his holdings of Shire horses, having recently purchased from Henry Wheatley of Napa a pair of young things and a 2,200-pound matron, the latter a prizewinner at the P.-P. I. E. Mr. Wheatley's Salvator Stock Farm boasts one of the choicest collections of Shires in the country, and London has made several selections from its best individuals.

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A story is going the rounds to the effect that Peter Horrocks and Dave Duffy of Cleveland have turned down a ten-thousand dollar offer for the Peter the Great colt Peter Duffy, a candidate for next season's futurities. Ten thousand dollars is, in the words of Colonel Updegraff, "a lot of money." Tommy Murphy is coupled with the herein mentioned gentlemen as the prospective purchaser.

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Lizzie C. 2:20½, the dam of William 1:58½, will be bred to Abe J. 2:10 again next spring by A. E. Van Atta, presumably in hope of getting another champion pacer. He has our best wishes, but this kind do not run in bunches. We recall that the dam of Dan Patch 1:55¼ was bred back to Joe Patchen, too, but that is all we can recall without assisting memory by a search of the Register and Year Book.

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Alonzo McDonald, who wintered last season at Phoenix and Los Angeles and participated in the June meeting at the exposition, will spend the coming winter at Memphis, where Billings Park and Tennessee weather offer many inducements to speed manufacturers. Some days ago Lon made E. D. Gould a fancy offer for the good two-year-old trotter, Bingen Silk (2) 2:08¾, but without success. An Indianapolis syndicate were the would-be purchasers.

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Miss Loula Long of Kansas City, whose saddle horses were such good winners and prime favorites at the exposition horse show here in October, was the stellar feature of the National show just held at Madison Square Garden, New York. Miss Long handled her own entries in almost all events in which they competed, and her horsemanship and sportsmanship made her the spectators' favorite from the first. In some instances she was made the victim of rough tactics on the part of competitors but continued her showing unconcernedly, the crowd's approval being vehement when her entries were awarded the honors. Altogether the show was a brilliant success.

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San Jose horsemen are having a lot of fun just prior to the season's close, in the matinee line, putting on a good program last Sunday and arranging for another to be held on Sunday, December 5, by which time a few horses that have been away from the track of late will be back in their old stalls. Last Sunday there were five races and two events against time, Evergreen Maid and The Demon, both by T. W. Barstow's good speed sire Nearest McKinney 2:13¼, performing in 2:20 and 2:16 respectively. In the competitive events Lady Barstow (Salazar) defeated Loma Logan (Cecil) and Tralee Boy (Locicero) in 2:24½, 2:26½; Mysterious McKinney (Hubbard) won from Juan (McCrackin) in 3:02, 3:00; Jane C. (Campbell) defeated Kiss Ka Dee (Terri) and Salina (Silvera) in 2:31 and 2:34 after losing the first heat to Kiss Ka Dee in 2:36; Texas Tommy (Orlando) trounced Lady Rea (Whitehead) one dash in 2:38, while Dan Stewart (Stewart) put two halfmile heats over Big Jim (Welborn) in 1:10, 1:09½. The matinees are being well received by the San Jose folks and the attendance and interest has been above expectations.

Pleasanton.
This afternoon.
Four futurity races.
Then welcome to winter quarters.

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The starters in the Pleasanton futurities this afternoon are as follows: two-year-old pace, Julia M., Rico, Surety, Verna McKinney, and Fiesta Lou; two-year-old trot, Lulu B., Hermes, Miss Axworthy Dillon, Alesandro, Don de Lopez, Miss Bond, The Expense, and Natalday; three-year-old trot, Carl, Byron and Allie Lou; three-year-old pace, The Bondholder, Rayo de Oro, Bondalean and Sheldon B. If this is not a nice card for one day's sport, lead us to one that is.

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Hal Boy had no more enthusiastic friend among the spectators on getaway day at the exposition than George A. Westgate of Portland, who arrived just in time to see the race he won from White Sox and Major Ong. George sold the little fellow once and has known him since his foaling day, so he loses no opportunity to proclaim to all in hearing that the grand old Willamette Valley, and especially that portion of it in the vicinity of Oregon Slough, does produce a real race horse every now and then. Mr. Westgate for the first time in a good many years has no board bill to pay for horses and no longer has a direct connection with "the game," being associated in a much more weighty manner with Albers & Co., but he cannot shake off the old love and enjoys a good race as much as ever, while if things ever "get good" again, look for him.

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A Seattle trained and owned trotting mare did wonders in the North Pacific trotting circuit in 1915. Floro Dora Z. is her name and she is owned by Ed Cudahie and Peter McCormack, of Broadway Stables. She was wintered and trained by Peter Brennan at the Madison Park halfmile track. One week before the Vancouver, B. C., fair and race meeting Floro Dora Z. was turned over by Trainer Brennan to Driver Charles Guion, who took her to Vancouver, B. C., and in a big field of trotters and pacers Floro Dora Z. won her first race. From Vancouver Mr. Guion took Floro Dora Z. to Centralia, where she was beaten by Novela in 2:15¼. Floro Dora won two races at Baker, Ore., two races at Walla Walla, a race at Spokane, two races at North Yakima, two races at the Oregon State Fair at Salem, making ten winning races out of eleven starts. This is a real record for a North Pacific raised, trained and owned trotter. Floro Dora Z. finished up with a record of 2:11¼ and is back in her winter stall at Madison Park halfmile track, all sound and fresh and, barring accidents, she should be a 2:06 trotter in 1916.—Rural Spirit.

ANSELILA (1) 2:17½, YEARLING CHAMPION.

It is extremely seldom that record breaking is indulged in after the month of October has run its course, but last week saw an exception to this rule. On Wednesday at Lexington the yearling filly, Anselila, by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, stepped a mile in 2:17½, lowering the record for her age, gait and sex held for six years by Miss Stokes. Four days previous, Anselila had trotted to a record of 2:20, and Hunter Moody, who has given the remarkable filly all of her work, was quoted as saying that he considered her capable of beating the record of Miss Stokes. How well she bore out his confidence in her is proved by the summary of her attempt last Wednesday.

Anselila is a filly of excellent blood lines. She was sired by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, and her dam, Ila Moko, is also the dam of Wila, a daughter of Walnut Hall 2:08¼, that took a four-year-old trotting record of 2:21¼ on a half-mile track in 1914; her grandam, Dictator's Lost, is the dam of five performers, while her third dam is the famous matron, Medium's Last, dam of seven, including the sensational trotter and sire, Trampfast (2) 2:12¼, the leading ten-year-old sire.

This filly was bred by John W. Considine of Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland, Cal., who still owns her. A few months ago Mr. Considine sent to Mr. Moody eight yearlings, four of which now have records—three of them world's records. While opportunity does not always present itself the same to all persons, it is by the achievements of men that their ability is judged, and truly from the standpoint of accomplishment must this Kentucky trainer be accorded full credit for his remarkable versatility with juvenile performers.—Western Horseman.

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November is rapidly passing, vegetation is "in the sere and yellow leaf" as the poet expresses it, yet Kentucky blue grass and training still keeps up bringing to the fore a notable array of young trotters, products of the breeding operations of that commonwealth and foals from other states that have been shipped there for development under the ideal conditions that prevail in the country that Daniel Boone, the noted frontiersman, first brought into the limelight.

The most remarkable performance at the recent record meeting at Lexington was the result of the effort of a California product, a yearling trotting filly, known as Anselila by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, dam Ila Moko by Moko, grandam Dictator's Last by Dictator 113. Prior to her effort on Wednesday, November 10, this filly had trotted to a standard record during the Lexington trots and on November 8 had negotiated a mile in 2:20, just three-quarters of a second slower than the world's record for a yearling trotting filly, 2:19¼, established by Miss Stokes by Peter the Great, in 1909.

The speed displayed by Anselila was such as to convince her trainer, Hunter C. Moody, that she was of championship calibre, and accordingly she was started again on Wednesday, November 10, and her effort on this occasion resulted in the establishment of a new record, 2:17½, for yearling trotting fillies, a lowering of the former world's record, held by Miss Stokes, of nearly two seconds.

Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½ is by Kentucky Prince, and a product of the breeding operations of the famous Palo Alto Stock Farm. He is the property of J. W. Considine, the Pacific Coast theatrical magnate who owns Woodland Stock Farm, Woodland, Cal., and that gentleman is also the owner of the new champion trotting filly, Anselila.

In addition to being the sire of Anselila, Prince Ansel was credited this year with the yearling champion trotting gelding, Anselot (1) 2:28½, the yearling champion trotting filly on a half-mile track, Verbena Ansel (1) 2:26, as well as Bonnie Ansel (5) 2:09¼, an entrant to the 2:10 list of trotters at the Panama-Pacific Exposition.—American Sportsman.

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The trotting record for yearling fillies, set at 2:19¼, by Miss Stokes in 1909, was placed at new figures at Lexington last week when the filly, Anselila, by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, took a record of 2:17½. For the first time since the yearling record was first placed below 2:30, the record for either sex is held by a youngster not descended from Hambletonian 10 in the direct male line. Anselila is a direct male-line descendant of Mambrino Chief 11, through Clark Chief 89, Kentucky Prince 2470, Dexter Prince 11363, and Prince Ansel 2:20½. The new champion filly, however, gets plenty of Hambletonian blood, tracing to that horse no less than seven times, once through Dictator 113 and once through his own sister, Lady Dexter.—Horse World.

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Another record was lowered last week when the yearling filly, Anselila, trotted a mile in 2:17½ over the Lexington track, driven by Hunter C. Moody, who now has the distinction of having given to yearlings of both sexes their championship marks. This young mare is a very high-class trotter, one sure to be heard from if all goes well with her, for the manner in which she finished her mile proved that she can carry her great flight of speed from one end of the journey to the other, and, as she is well gaited, thoroughly reliable and apparently sound, there is no reason why she should not hold her own in the best of company in her two and three-year-old engagements. Anselila is by Prince Ansel 2:20½, out of Ila Moko, by Moko, and was bred at Woodland Farm in California, the property of John W. Considine. She has had all her training at Lexington, and closes her yearling form the undisputed champion of her age and sex.—American Horse Breeder.

DISASTROUS FIRE AT EASTERN TRACK.

Fire on the night of Nov. 16 at Bennings track, near Washington, D. C., cremated one man, seriously burned two and a third narrowly escaped; also burned to death about twelve horses, and caused $35,000 damages by the destruction of fourteen stables and their equipment.

Several other horses were shot by the police or killed while running at large on the railroad tracks. They had been turned loose to save them from the flames. The horses burnt to death were: Talecarrier, Joe Deibold, Frog, Coy and Anconian, a training pony, all owned by G. J. Day; Pride of Greenway, Doctor Sullivan and Lillian Kripp, all owned by E. J. Crawford; Mrs. Jack, owned by George Swain; Rolling Stone, owned by C. C. Smithson; Merry Day, owned by James Arthur of Baltimore, and an unnamed yearling, owned by Ben Pope of New York.

The following horses were shot by policemen or accidentally killed after they fled from the burning track; Miss Clara, owned by Louis Weiss, and Good Day, owned by F. J. Coleman; and Harry, owned by W. T. Anderson of St. Louis.

Capt. H. H. Emmons' good handicap horse Rudolfo is said to have been destroyed. Battling Nelson, Dancing Master and a hunter, Borgian, are also said to have been killed.

John Bayliss, colored, was burned to death. John Williams, white, of Memphis, Tenn., and John Smith, colored, were taken to the casualty hospital, severely burned.

G. H. Morton, colored, in charge of the G. J. Day stable, when the fire started, was asleep in the stable when the fire was discovered. He managed to get out ofter a close call. He said he lost $500 in cash and his diamond ring. The ring was recovered after the fire.

Representatives of the R. F. Carman stable said tonight that all of his twenty-two horses, except three exercising ponies, had been found. The Carman stable was directly opposite the Day stable, and was saved by a bucket brigade.

Among the losers in the fire were Perry Belmont and Thomas Fortune Ryan, whose entire stable equipment was consumed, but neither of them lost any horses.

Marque Pays Visit to Curles Neck Farm

FROM THE HORSE REVIEW

Ever since Mr. Billings purchased Curles Neck Farm I have had a great desire to visit it, but until recently had to forego the pleasure. In all my traveling I had never been in Virginia, had never seen the historic city of Richmond, and the James river, with its memorable Colonial and Civil War associations, I knew only through the pages of history and romance. Since Curles Neck is near Richmond, and on the James, the trip combined much that was interesting aside from the farm and its famous horses. I wanted, too, to renew acquaintance with that mare of all mares, Lou Dillon 1:58½; with The Harvester 2:01, and many others that I had known in their "salad days" upon the turf; so, you see, it was a trip to me altogether worth while.

CURLES NECK AS AN ESTATE

I scarcely know how to begin the story of Curles Neck, and it will be just as difficult to find a "leaving-off place," for such is the wealth of material at hand that a great deal more than I have space to write would be necessary in order to give an adequate description of this wonderful place.

The farm is well named, being a "neck" of land around which the James describes a huge curve or "curl." There is no less than seven miles of water front along the historic stream, and nearly all of it is wooded with oaks, elms and other splendid trees. Like others who were, or are, unfamiliar with the topography of the farm, I assumed, from certain things I had heard, that it was low and marshy, but this is not the case. While there are about 1,000 acres of marsh land, the balance — thousands of acres—is well above the river's high-water mark and perfectly drained at all seasons. Many miles of tiling were laid before Mr. Billings purchased the estate, but this was necessary on account of the subsoil, which held the water—not because the land was low. The entire Curles Neck tract is one integral body, and the roads (splendid ones they are), running through its vast extent are all strictly private, with the exception of the one which cuts across a single narrow corner of the farm.

Approaching the farm from Richmond one passes through the timbered section of which there is 1,000 acres. This timber is practically in its primitive state, and is the habitat of all manner of wild game native to Virginia. Deer are frequently seen grazing with the mares, and one of the boys told me that the day previous to my visit a flock of wild turkeys had flown across the road some fifty yards in front of his auto. Between the timber and the marsh lies the farm, proper, its 3,000 acres of pasture and cultivated land being under one's vision when viewed from either the marsh or the timber. It reminded me of the prairies of Illinois or Iowa, and were it not for the groups of splendid buildings which dot the landscape, this impression would be still more complete. However, no western farm was ever equipped with such superb housing for both man and beast.

Curles Neck's former owner was lavish in his expenditure, while since the farm became Mr. Billings' property, a great many improvements have been made, old buildings giving way to new ones; the entire farm being refenced, etc., etc. It is today truly a "picture place," cared for and kept up like a city park, and after I had viewed it all I said to myself, "Aside from Walnut Hall, that gem of the Blue Grass, I have seen no horse farm so beautiful." Mr. J. E. Colenso, a graduate of the noted Wisconsin Agricultural College, and one of the most thorough and practical agriculturists that I have ever had the luck to meet, is at the head of the farm proper, while Thad Logan, who was so long "Doc" Tanner's able "second," has charge of the horse affairs. I may state, by the way, that Ed A Tipton, owing to his many other business cares, recently resigned his position with Curles Neck, which he had filled so ably, and "Doc" Tanner is again the farm's chief. I doubt if Mr. Billings could have selected for his purposes a better team than Messrs. Colenso and Logan. I call them a team, for while their work is dissimilar, they are in thorough accord, there being no such thing as friction or jealousy between them. "It's my office to produce the provender for the horses and Thad's to deal it out to them," remarked Mr. Colenso, "and after we get through showing you around you will agree that there is plenty of feed for the horses, for aside from our work animals and a dozen cows, everything we raise belongs to them."

ITS WEALTH OF GRASS AND GRAIN.

Long ago every one familiar with the matter learned that horses could not be advantageously raised without plenty of grass, and that the more range provided for them the better they will develop. Well, Curles Neck certainly has a plentitude of grass; while so far as range goes, I found the mares separated in small bands, each of which had 150 acres to graze over. I had an idea previous to my visit that the native, or natural, grass was of the Bermuda type or species, but speedily found that I was in error. Bermuda grass is well enough in its way, but it has one drawback, viz.: it starts very late in the spring and is not ready for pasture when the mares and their foals most need it. Hay and oats are not calculated to produce a flow of milk, and in the early spring there is no feed so essential as good grass. Orchard grass is native to this section, and of this there is an abundance. Mr. Colenso told me that this grass came early and that the mares and colts seemed to thrive on it.

In referring to Curles Neck, some of my Kentucky friends have discussed the fact (?) that blue grass could not be grown there; for that reason (?) they couldn't figure out how Mr. Billings was "ever going to raise trotters." As very often happens, we assume that a thing is true simply because someone has told us that it is—either that, or because we never endeavor to prove it. Well—Curles Neck gives the "show me" answer to the blue grass proposition. In the spring of 1914 200 acres were seeded down to blue grass and the tangible evidence of its thrift is here for anyone who is dubious on the subject and wishes proof to their satisfaction. A good stand was immediately obtained, and I doubt if there can be found in any section (including Kentucky), thicker blue grass of a year's growth. I noted, too, that it has spread along the road sides and sprung up in fields where it was not sown, giving additional evidence that it will thrive and multiply in this region. While in 1915 practically all other parts of the country had an excessive rainfall, in this part of Virginia it was dry and yet the young blue grass did just what it was claimed it would not do—withstood the summer heat without being burnt out. I am not advised as to what previous attempts have been made to start blue grass in other sections of Virginia, but I can attest that the experiment here was most successful.

Standing in a field of alfalfa with Mr. Colenso, he said to me: "We cut five crops off this field this season, and, as you see, there is now over eight inches of new growth. In my experience with alfalfa I never saw it do better."

Later I saw it after it was in the mows and found it to be bright, quite green and crisp.

"We raised forty-three bushels of oats to the acre and good hard oats they were," continued Mr. Colenso, "but I am sorry to say that the wild onions got into them, leaving an odor which unfitted them for horse feed. However, we shipped them down the James to Richmond and disposed of them, meantime buying A1 northern oats, the balance against us in the deal being only eight cents per bushel. I am after the wild onions now, and expect to stamp out the pest within another year, using crude petroleum for the purpose."

I saw in shock what appeared to be a splendid crop of corn, and while the ears were not so large as we grow in the west, the crop seemed to be of good quality.

Before dismissing the subject of Curles Neck Farm crops, I want to say that the estate is located in a very old section of America, relative to our civilization, and that much of the land adjacent to it has been worn out by many years of bad farming methods. Taking everything from the soil and putting nothing back has been a ruinous policy, but Curles Neck provides an excellent example of what may be done in strengthening the soil and bringing it back to a high pitch of productiveness. The farm's supply of water comes from artesian wells, and is pumped from a depth of 700 feet and sent all over the place. Numerous tanks are located in the fields and paddocks, and the supply is amplpe at all times; also it is splendid water, pure, clear and tasteless.

THE HARVESTER 2:01 AND THE BROOD MARES

"I will show you," said Thad, "the finest trotting stallion that you ever laid your eyes on"—and forthwith he led me to The Harvester's box. I am not going to go into extasies or attempt a word painting of the world's champion entire trotter, but will just say that in my opinion Thad spoke well within the truth. I always made the claim that Walnut Hall 2:08½, the Harvester's sire, is, to my way of thinking, the choicest type of trotting stallion I have encountered, and I haven't yet had reason to change my mind. So what higher praise can I accord The Harvester than to dub him, on a larger pattern, a son worthy of his sire? He is almost a perfect model of what a 16-hand, 1,200-pound horse (he weighs 1,215), should be. His neck is superbly crested, giving added beauty to his head, which was always admirable; his body has filled out and he is altogether one grand, big horse, and one that we may be proud to call the champion of his sex. Reproductions of some of my photographs, taken during this visit, will appear in the Christmas Review, and you can then judge for yourself as to whether I have described him accurately. "He is as sound as the day he was foaled and not a pimple on him," remarked Thad, "and while all of you newspaper scriber were going to have Peter Volo 2:02 and Etawah 2:03 shoot holes in his record, there it is, and let them help themselves to it! And don't forget, too, that he has a third-heat race record of 2:02, made over the slow, deep running track at Fort Erie."

I never had the pleasure to see a lot of brood mares in better fall condition than the forty-five which I examined at Curles Neck. They are "fat and saucy," and Thad told me that not a single one o them has been fed an oat or a wisp of hay sinc they were turned out last spring. Her majesty, Lo Dillon, is treated like the balance of the band, an it evidently suits her, for she is looking at her best

Many additions have been made to the brood mare since I saw them when they were quartered at Cas tleton Farm, near Lexington, and I was informed tha five more will be added, making the number an ever fifty. Mr. Tipton was responsible for the selectio of the majority of the mares, and as this gentlema has had a wealth of experience in that line, and i very critical, both as to blood lines and individuality you will appreciate the fact that they are a grand, yes, a wonderful lot. With but two exceptions there is not a coarsely made one, or one possessing unsoundness that is likely to breed on, in the whole lot. As a rule, they are not above medium size, the type aimed at being smooth turned, full made ones, long and deep bodied on short legs—The Harvester is a large horse, well off the ground, and it was deemed preferable to select this type of mates for him rather than the leggy, rangy sort.

THE WEANLINGS

It took us a half-day to inspect the weanlings, of which there are twenty by The Harvester and five by other sires. At Lexington, Messrs. Tanner and Tipton, who had recently seen these Harvester weanlings, proclaimed that no sire ever had a finer lot to show as a season's produce—which claim surely has a firm foundation. I examined them critically and found but one with crooked hind legs—a curb had already developed—and only one that showed an inclination to toe out, and this was not a bad case of "nigger-heel." There isn't what you could cull, a weed or a weakling in the whole bunch, while only one has had a sick moment. After I had gone over them thoroughly I thought to myself: "Here is the answer to the question, Can high-class trotters be raised at Curles Neck, in Virginia?" They can—for before me is the living evidence of the fact.

When we came to Lou Dillon's "latest edition," Thad and several of the caretakers gathered around, and from their eager looks I saw that a quick way to get into a scrap would be to make some disparaging remark about this scion of the blood royal of trotterdom. So I kept very still and let them do the talking while I feasted my eyes on the youngster. The colt is a blood bay, with a star and white pasterns. He is made right at every point, and if he grows according to present promise, will be the best individual of the seven which Lou has brought into the world. He has a lot of character, too, and I always thought that that went with a good horse. The boys say that he can handle his legs like a light-weight fighter does his fists, but, of course, like all the other weanlings, he is just being halter broken. Whenever I see a young aristocrat like this (but, of course, there was never another just like him in respect to trotting speed inheritance), I wonder if it will be my pleasure to witness him or her in great turf triumphs? In this case I am confident that I shall.

Gretchen B., Lou's daughter by John A. McKerron 2:04½, is represented by a bay colt and a nice one it is, although not so attractive as the queen's own. Nevertheless, I'd take it away if allowed to!

When we reached the bay colt (her first), out of Zarrine (4) 2:07¼, daughter of Silent Brook 2:16½, and the renowned matron, Lady Brussells, by Wilton 2:19¼, the boys volunteered the prophecy that this one would be a real star. "He is gaited like his dam," they said, "and is a born trotter." I couldn't call him so highly finished as some of the others, but he is very muscular.

The only over-sized one among the weanlings is a roal colt whose dam is Baroness Evelyn p. 2:12¾, by Baron Review 2:21¼—she is an own sister of that memorable Kentucky futurity winner, Baroness Virginia (3) 2:08¼—but the little fellow trots fast in the paddock and there is a lot of things about him that made me like him. Another roan colt (and another one that I would like to own!) is out of Nelly Worthy 2:25¾, by Axworthy 2:15¼; next dam that most celebrated speed producer, Nell, by Estill Eric. The way extreme speed crops out of the "Nell family" is something astounding (Bingen Silk (2) 2:08¾ is the latest example), and that is one reason why I like this roan colt.

I was especially interested in the bay filly out of Bernice R. 2:07¼, by Dexter Prince, and running back to old Jenny, dam of the peerless Hulda 2:08½, for the reason that I personally purchased the dam for Mr. Billings. She is muscled like an athlete, and is as quick on her feet as a cat. Three sensationally fast trotting mares figure in this filly's pedigree, namely—Bernice R. 2:07¼, her dam, Dione 2:07¼, and the next dam, as stated, Jenny, dam of Hulda 2:08½, who is accounted one of the most perfect mares of all time. I can not recall another one bred for speed anything like this filly.

For beauty and finish I hung the blue ribbon on the bay filly from Violet A. 2:18¼, by Red Medium 2:23¼, and here Thad agreed with me. She has the head, neck and general cameo cut of a Kentucky saddler, but with it a wealth of substance. Another very toppy one is a bay colt whose dam is The May Guy, by Guy Axworthy (4) 2:08¾; next dam Kinglyne, dam of that grand young sire, Morgan Axworthy

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ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

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CALIFORNIA'S GARDEN OF THE WILDS.

When our party climbed the last stretch of trail that wound up Sucker Creek and came to a halt on the crest of the mountain range, we had a magnificent view of the Siskiyous—"California's Garden of the Wilds." As Joaquin Miller, the poet of the Sierras, has said, "the bigness and the wideness of this land surpasses man's imagination." We were at an elevation of 6,000 feet. It was late summer, and though the lowlands and the valleys were scorched and blistered, up here the horses waded knee-deep in succulent grass, while acres of columbines waved their plumes of gorgeous crimson. It was as if we looked out over a world of mountains—range piled on range, purple and pine-clad.

And here we were in the midst of one of America's leading big game hunting grounds—in the midst of a territory haunted only by the wild things—a territory so large that the man from the crowded east cannot comprehend it. Those who believe that California has all "been taken up," that it has been "fenced," or crowded into cities and towns, needs only to visit this "Garden of the Wilds" in order to be convinced of their error.

We made camp that first night on the summit of the range, close under the shadow of Emigrant Peak. One of the junior members of the party, who carried a shotgun, had killed a half-dozen mountain "pheasants" during the day, and these made an evening feast fit for a king. As it had been a long, hard climb, we cut short the after-supper smoke and chat, spread our blankets and in a short time were lulled to sleep by the yapping of a coyote on a distant mountainside.

The "boss hunter" was the first man up next morning, waking everybody as he clattered the tin dishes and iron pans in his work of getting breakfast. He had said the evening before that we must be on the big game trail by sunrise, and the "boss hunter" is a man who means what he says; also, he knows why. So we took our hot coffee standing, and before Old Sol had peeped his eyebrow over the eastern range. Our party divided, one portion going east, the other west, and all keeping to the backbone of the range. The timber up in these altitudes is not thick, and the game can be "spotted" long distances; in truth, most shots are at long range. The deer are largely black-tail—"Columbia black-tail" being the local name. Before ten o'clock one portion of the party sighted a herd of four clambering up the mountainside, almost a half-mile away. There were two bucks—just half enough to "go round." The first two men fired a "clean miss." The deer merely increased their jog, the bucks halting now and then and looking toward the ridge as if wondering what it meant. Then the other two came in for a turn, and one buck dropped. The other trotted on with the does. He did not go far, however, for four rifles were talking by this time, and he had no chance to get away.

When we came back to camp late that afternoon, we discovered that the two bucks were the only game secured for the first day. The other party had brought down a "bob-cat," but refused to let it "count." The "boss hunter" was pleased, however, for this was a good start. Anyhow, those two bucks made us all happy when eating time came that night.

Hunting up here on the Siskiyou is considerably different from what it is farther north in the Oregon country. As already stated, most shots must be made from long range, and as the growth is not so dense as that of the Coast and Cascade ranges in Oregon, the hunter has good opportunity to "bring 'em down." The black-tailed deer, though more shy than the common white-tail, has a way of halting on prominences where he makes himself a very conspicuous target. He is a vain fellow, taking delight in holding his crest on high, much like an elk stag. His vanity often proves his downfall. So it proved with over half the number bagged by our party while on the Siskiyous.

Our second day's hunt was much like the first, except we bunched off in "pairs," hoping by this plan to cover a wider territory. This necessitated greater caution, that no accidents might occur. It was agreed at the start—and the "boss hunter" placed especial emphasis on this important rule—that no shot must be fired at any moving thing till it had come plainly into view and could be absolutely identified. If this rule were strictly followed by all hunters there would be no accidental killing of men. The "boss hunter" declared that if any of our party shot another "for a deer," that the guilty one would himself be shot on sight by the first man who got within range. This may have been a bluff, but there was a blaze of earnestness in the old fellow's eyes when he said it. Anyhow, we paid strict attention to the rule, and no accidents occurred to mar the pleasure of the trip.

We found camp the evening of the second day with three more bucks to our credit. The junior member of the crowd, a fourteen year old lad, brought down the biggest black-tail for the day—an eight-point, and a beauty. The boy dropped it with a single shot from a 22-25 special, again proving to the satisfaction of some of us that a big bore is not absolutely necessary, even for big game in the Siskiyous.

But two of us had an experience the next day in which the big bore gun of the "hard hitting" sort proved its worth. The writer, with a single companion, dropped down a gentle slope to cross the bottom of a gulch, intent upon taking to the crest of the ridge on the opposite side. We were half way through a hemlock grove when my companion, who was in the lead, stopped suddenly, his eyes fixed aloft. His face turned pale with terror, and though he spoke no word I guessed that some monster stood in the way.

I looked up, and there, not ten feet away, crouched on a low-hanging limb, a full grown cougar, or "California mountain lion" was revealed. The big cat was ready to spring, with his long, yellowish-white belly lying close against the limb, his ears pricked forward, his nostrils quivering, and his tail swishing slowly to and fro. It is said by those who should know, that the puma, or cougar, will seldom attack a man; but Jim Davis and myself are both ready to swear that the big cat we met that morning would have required very little urging to make the "grand pounce" on us.

The whole affair was over in a short time, and did not contain action or "thrill" enough to have made us a good scene for a moving picture show. Neither Jim nor myself desired to make it dramatic. He was in the lead, and also in better range; so I let him have first chance. Slowly he raised his rifle, and the lion crouched there motionless while Jim took careful aim. It was not one-tenth as lively as a hand-to-hand mix-up with a bear would have been, for the reason that a bear would have been getting busy early in the game. Not so with Mr. Cougar.

The rifle spoke. The lion's body quivered a moment, then rolled off the limb and dropped a lifeless heap close at our feet. Then both of us wished, for the sake of the great cat, that it had put up some sort of a fight. Observe, however, that this wish was expressed after Jim fired the shot. The lion was a beauty, but we lost most of the day's hunt peeling the skin and getting it back to camp.

That day was filled with varied experiences. Two members of the party found a bee tree, and supplied the camp with all the wild honey the crowd could use; two others got on the trail of a bear, came upon an old mother Bruin with two squalling cubs. The old lady was not fat enough to kill, in truth, her cubs would have prevented that anyhow, but the pair of bold hunters were determined to have something for their trouble.

The old bear was busy eating dinner when the hunters approached. She did not wish to be disturbed or interrupted, so gave her cubs a sound spanking which sent them up a tree straightway. Then she raised up on her haunches, opened wide her jaws, and snapping her long white teeth, invited the two men up "for theirs."

"Did you go up and get it?" asked one of the party, when the two were relating their experience at camp that night.

"We started to," one of them admitted. "I took off my hat, and making a dash toward her, thought I would scare the old woman away."

"Did she scare?"

"None to speak of," the hunter said.

Then his companion finished the story: "When he ran toward her flopping his hat, old Mother Bruin dropped to her all-fours, gave a yowl of rage, and came forward on a run."

"We couldn't shoot her, of course—not with them two cubs squallin' their eyes out," both the bold hunters told us, almost tearfully.

"So you left her?" the crowd asked.

"Yes, we left her," they admitted.

That was the only day during our camp on the Siskiyous which passed without at least one black-tail being added to the bag. Obeying the instructions of the "boss hunter," we "laid up" the day following and let the "hoodoo" pass over; then took to the woods again and found luck in plenty, for five more were added to the list within twelve hours.

That was slaughter enough; and what with the jerking, the jaunts here and there, time flew by on swift-purring wings. It came time to pack up for the return home before any of us were aware that ten days had been spent on the Oregon-California divide.

Before closing this epistle from the shadow of Emigrant Peak, let the writer state just a few things "pro and con" about the Siskiyou country. The man who first called it "California's Garden of the Wilds" certainly knew his subject. It is a big, big garden, and the wild things of the forest are about the sole reapers of the harvest. Much of the country is within the broad limits of the Siskiyou National Forests, owned and protected by Uncle Sam. So far as the big game hunter is concerned, this condition is favorable. It is also to the advantage of the homesteader and settler. There is timber enough in these forests to build a hundred cities, and were the ground put in cultivation it would grow enough stuff to feed the armies of the world. The forest rangers estimate that there are at least 30,000 deer in the Siskiyous. Properly protected they will remain in numbers as great as this for many years.

But there is one peculiar thing about the Siskiyous, both as a hunting region and as a mining or prospecting district. While it is a part of California it practically belongs to Oregon, for the simple reason that the only way it can be reached is from the Oregon side. Our party went in by Holland, from Grant's Pass, ascending the Sucker Creek trail to the summit. Another way is to go up from Grant's Pass by Waldo, then by the Diamond Creek trail into the Preston Peak region. Still another way is to go from Medford by Blue Ledge, reaching the hunting grounds from the latter camp. Blue Ledge is forty-five miles from Medford, and reached by a good wagon road; in truth, a daily stage runs from Medford to this California mining camp, which is located on the summit. Most parties prefer to go this way, as it is the most direct, and the easiest, as well as the least expensive.

The disadvantage offered by this country is the fact that the county seat of Siskiyou—Yreka—is on the opposite side of the range, and separated from the big game by an impassable barrier, with no road leading over. Thus if one takes out hunting license, or finds it necessary to call upon the county officials, he must first make a trip by train to Yreka, then go on to Medford or Grant's Pass, and make the real start from either of these places.

Our party was comprised almost entirely of California men. With the genuine pride of Californians, they wanted to hunt on native soil; so they attended to securing licenses before leaving home, and were all ready for outfitting when they reached Grant's Pass. This is the better way. A movement is under way, in fact has been for several years, by which a wagon road will be built from Yreka to Blue Ledge, by which this camp can be reached without going round by Medford. When this is built, Californians can then visit their "Garden of the Wilds" without passing through the "Oregon gateway."

EAR AFFECTIONS OF SPORTING DOGS.

Unfortunately, young dogs are rather liable to suffer from various ear affections, either implicating the flap of the ears or else the middle ear, and not infrequently the internal ear. Nearly all shooting-men are familiar with an inflammation affecting the middle ear, and known as internal canker of the ear—a trouble which exists in a variable degree of severity—and it is only by a just appreciation of this degree of inflammatory action that any prognosis can be given.

It is all very well for the empiric to sell his so-called cures for canker of the ear, but it is quite another matter to effect a cure. Thus, for instance, the middle ear may merely be the seat of a very mild inflammation, with perhaps a sooty-like deposit at the bottom of it, in which case the probability is that the trouble arises through the presence of minute acari — Symbiopes auricularis canis — which causes a great deal of irritation, but not, as a rule, much suppuration; in fact, this dry form of the disease with the sooty-like deposit is significant of this infectious form of ear canker. On the other hand, the middle ear may be severely inflamed, its surface abraded, and a profuse discharge issue from the ear. It is a very foetid form of suppuration, and, without a shadow of doubt, its existence causes the animal a great deal of suffering—more so when both ears are implicated.

The longer the disease exists, the worse the trouble becomes, and it may finally lead to destruction of the internal ear. The animal becomes either partially or completely deaf, and its suffering is intensified as the disease advances. It carries its head slightly to one side, in order to relieve the pain; but shaking the flap of the ear does not usually exist in advanced forms of the disease, as it would cause far too much pain. The writer believes that a considerable proportion of dogs that are affected with canker of the ear are of an eczematous diathesis, or in other words, the animals have a predisposition to eczema, which is a very common disease in dogs—much more so than parasitic mange.

There is something in the theory that when particles of mud and water gain access to the ears such are very liable to set up inflammation, resulting in the production of the disease now in consideration. Any sportsman who has an interest in his dog should pay particular attention to the ears, and directly any signs of ear trouble are observed at once consult a veterinary surgeon, who will advise as to what can be done. Astringent and antiseptic remedies are usually employed, but these are not always successful, simply because they are not applicable to the stage at which the disease has arrived. As a rule, it is a good plan to syringe the ear with equal parts of methylated spirits of wine and water—say twice or three times a week—in order to thoroughly cleanse the ear; but when there is much suppuration it will be better to wash the ear out first with spirits and then with an antiseptic.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

SOUTH AMERICAN SEA OTTER SHOOTING.

We arrived at Punta Arenas on December 4, after a rough passage from Montevideo, much pleased and anxious to get away to the Smith Channel. We had been told of the wonderful shooting to be had there and had made plans all the way from New York. Before leaving, Mr. Kariger, our second mate, had bought two rifles, an army Krag and a .45-70 Winchester, and many arguments we had as to the shooting qualities of the two. I was using a .30-30 Winchester and was quite satisfied with it.

Our first disappointment came in the evening, when Captain Trott came aboard with the news that Captain Smitz, the channel pilot, was unable to go, but that Captain Pritchard, a retired sealer and pilot, had been engaged to take the Ameria through to Coronel. He came abroad Thursday evening, so that we might get an early start the next morning. Two-thirty found us with anchor on the bow, headed for Cape Forward, which we could see some forty miles away, its snow-capped peak showing plainly in the clear morning air. We saw many ducks and geese, but not wishing to stop to secure them we saved our powder for a more favorable time, which came that afternoon.

Not being able to make the next anchorage before dark, we anchored at two-thirty in Glacier Bay. Eating a hasty lunch, we called away the cutter, Yates, Kariger and myself, with two sailors to pull. The bay at the point was about a half-mile wide, dotted with small islands, and ran seven miles to the Field's Glacier.

The kelp surrounding these islands was a favorite feeding ground for the sea-otter which we were told by Captain Pritchard were plentiful here. We determined that each should land on an island and the cutter go on to the mainland shore for a load of mussels for fish bait.

About a mile from the ship I landed on a small island, made my way carefully to the other side and found a little cove, some twenty yards wide and fifty to the bay. It was fairly red with kelp and the shore was lined with fish bones and empty mussel shells.

I had hardly got in position when I heard the sharp report of Kariger's rifle. It seemed I was there an hour before I saw the slightest move, and then I saw a small line of bubbles breaking the water at the edge of a large kelp leaf. The bubbles were quickly followed by the small brown head of an otter, but down it went again, slowly moving through the kelp, and then once more it came up for the last time, being met by a .30-30. I soon saw another, but much farther away and got it with the second shot. A drizzling rain had now set in and I was glad to see the boat returning, Kariger standing in the stern with coat outspread, making good time before the wind.

We picked up my two otter; the first was quite small, but the fur was in prime condition. They had seen no otter but had three fine geese and one seal, together with a couple of bushels of fine black mussels.

We spent the evening listening to the yarns of Captain Pritchard, who had been a pioneer sealer and trapper, and had had many hard fights with the Channel Indians. We got away the next morning at three, and just at noon passed a small island completely covered with young seals. We fired into them and got five. The pilot said these were the last we would see, as the Indians would be working south through the Channel on their summer hunt. We anchored in Muleneux Bay and landed on the mainland shore, taking with us our hound, brought from New York. We expected nothing from her, but had not gone three hundred yards before she had taken a scent and was gone. Up the hill she went, then down by the shore and again up the hill; we made for cover, hoping she would drive her find to us.

We waited some time and presently heard her coming toward us again. They were soon in sight, and before her was the largest gray fox we had ever seen. Kariger fired at about fifty yards; the fox turned on an angle and I fired, bringing it to the ground with one jump. Each taking a leg we carried it to the boat and went aboard, well satisfied for the day. We found the fox to measure five feet and six inches from tip to tip, with fine prime fur. It was tanned in a Santa Clara tannery and made a fine rug. Loud and long were the praises for "Nell," our tramp dog, that evening.

We arrived at Icy Reach the next day at noon and were forced to await the fair tide through English Narrows. Here we found a camp of Indians. Captain Pritchard made arrangements with two of the bucks to take us to a bay the other side of the island, noted for the number of otter to be found. We left the ship at two o'clock and an hour's hard paddling brought us to the bay. Here, by great good luck, we got seven otter and four geese. As it was now six o'clock, although quite light, we launched the canoe and started back, this time with a good four-kuot tide with us. Arrived at the ship, we found all ready to proceed with a fair tide through the Narrows. We gave the Indians all our old coats, blankets and underwear, and as we steamed away could see their chief, attired in an American Line frock coat, a pair of pink underdrawers, and, to top off, an opera hat presented to him by Captain Trott. The next morning we were on the broad Pacific, sorry to have left the quiet waters of the Channel, but glad to be so much nearer the Golden Gate and the end of our voyage.

THE BIG RAINBOWS OF NEW ZEALAND.

Now that our anglers have generally put away their tackle for the season—with the exception of the Waltonians who propose to be ready for steelhead trout in the coast streams beginning December 15, it may be of passing interest to know that the brothers of the angle in far away New Zealand are about to get in touch with their angling season. In that respect we give some wise gossip by "Iron Blue" in a January number of the Weekly Express:

"When angling affairs are in their present state, and the fisherman is handicapped by such conditions as lowest clear water, and a vigorous growth of "green weed," the ordinary method of "wet-fly" may sometimes fail to provide the usual sport; and if a basket of trout is necessary to our happiness, we are driven to a consideration of ways and means. First, of course, there is the scientific way of dry-fly; and if the angler is in possession of a lure fitting the occasion, and is clever enough to put it properly in front of a rising trout, he may in most cases command a measure of success. However, the rising trout is not always evident, and not all of us are clever as those others; those dry-fly exclusives, who, hall-marked by india-rubber knee-pads, walk and stalk, or kneel, and steal upon their quarry, according to the rules of the art. The position is this: Except in the dusk or at night, we cannot catch the desired number of trout with wet-fly. We are not skillful enough to manage "a floater," and under the circumstances "minnow" is beside the question; therefore bait-fishing of some kind becomes the only way.

Now comes the consideration of bait. And putting aside the loathsome, vicious-looking centipde, which they call a "creeper," as unspeakably horrible, there are three baits that we may use in a sufficiently sporting water manner. Such baits are the clear-water worm, the grasshopper, and the locust or cicada. Dragon-fly fishing, with the small red dragon-fly "Xanthagrion Zealandica"—heaven save us, what a name—is a thing apart. But, by the way, it may be said that this also is a sporting sort of method; and akin to the blow-line fishing with a Mayfly, which is customary on the Irish lakes. In this way, one must use a light line, with a 3X or 4X cast, and about a No. 2 hook—by the new numbering—and get the wind behind you in casting. The proper place for this method is a lagoon or a big backwater, where the dragon-fly nymphs are crawling up the grass or rushes at the edge, and hatching into their perfect form. Recent experience has shown me that it is easy to distinguish the rise of a trout at a dragon-fly, from his usual pursuit of a dun or a spinner. Instead of a quiet ring where he has taken the fly, there is a wild splash, and perhaps a trout leaping from the surface, in a desperate endeavor to get on terms with Xanthag—h'm, I give that dreadful name a rest. Given the lagoon, and trout rising at dragon-flies, one proceeds to search among the rushes at the water's edge, and to surprise—as little as possible, I trust, for the sake of humanity—some of the "nymphs" which are hatching out. Afterwards the proceedings must necessarily be more forcible; but carefully placed upon the hook, the luckless nymph is cast across the lagoon. The breeze will help the ensuing drift among the ripples, and presently a heavy plunge will make the angler acquainted with some worthy trout.

The "clear-water worm" is quite a scientific way, and widely apart from the worming in flooded rivers, where a solid cast and a "sinker" are the most important portions of the kit. When rivers are at their lowest, and the trout are sly, then is the opportunity for using a worm almost in the manner of a fly; and for casting it upstream upon the lightest tackle, in momentary expectation of the gentle pull which may mean a fish. For this way a rather long, whippy rod is the best, and after an upstream cast the bait is allowed to drift back to the angler, passing by the other side of some big rock or snag, or under the shelter of an overhanging bank. A bag of properly prepared worms must be included in the outfit, and by keeping them in moss or grass for a few days before using them, these worms are made much tougher, and less likely to flick off the hook. Many people use a Stewart flight of three hooks; or as an alternative, a "Thompson tackle"; but all considered, a single middle-sized "sneck" bent hook is the most suited to the purpose. More fish may be missed when a single hook is used, but again more fish will take hold of a bait that is less evidently armed than the "Stewart" arrangement, which is far more killing in colored water, and the usual upstream casting, after the line has been extended to the required length. The rod point is kept as much as possible over the traveling bait, and occasionally the line is lifted or lowered while it goes down. A previous knowledge of the water, and the favorite haunts of the trout, is a very great help when the angler is using the clear-water worm.

Said a "musterer" of my acquaintance: "Last week when we were away up the Rangitata gorge, we saw a great fish behind some rocks, and we managed to get him out." The "managed to get him out" part leaves a whole wide space for conjecture, but no matter, only I am betting they did not get him with a fly. Still, in spite of that, the fish weighed fourteen pounds, and "inside him was a lump of grasshoppers nearly as big as my fist." If it was required, this was "proof positive" that grasshoppers are esteemed by Rangitata trout, and the rule holds good elsewhere; in this case, not only in low, clear water, but in any sort of a stream which is not actually in flood. Here is a way of bait fishing that is more sporting than the rest, for "first catch your hare," in other words, capture the wily "hopper" who has an excellent idea of looking after himself. You may hear him chirruping among the grass by the riverside, but if—having rigged up a tackle specially designed for his reception—you go to look for him, it is almost a certainty that he has removed himself to some less frequented spot. Then he is heard chirrupping again in a new place, and haply while going in quest of him, you may rouse and contrive to capture one of his friends. The easiest and surest way of landing trout with grasshoppers is, first catch an active kind of boy; next offer him largesse, and set him to catch the hoppers at so much a dozen; and then catch the trout. This way will save one a world of trouble; it will save you the unpleasantness of dabbing your hand upon the gorse prickles while in eager pursuit of an insect who seems to vanish on sight, and also it is a saving of time.

To angle most successfully, two grasshoppers must be transfixed on a No. 9 hook—the fateful number 9, which by the way appears to be the ordinary size of the New Zealand boot—and after they have been cast gently upstream or across, the line is gradually recovered, perhaps, during its passage a sudden check may tell of a trout, but if the angler strikes instantly he will probably lose his fish. Otherwise, when experience has taught its lesson, he will count slowly up to five or six, or allow an equal time before fixing the hook. In deep water, a couple of split shots may be squeezed on the cast to sink the bait; but usually this is not necessary. The cicada is managed in much the same way, and it is a still more killing bait, though it is even more difficult to procure than the grasshoppers, and a careless cast will surely flick it off the hook. It may be noted that the cicada is a lure which seems acceptable under almost any conditions. Come rain, come "fine," you can still find a fish; and with a fair knowledge of bait fishing, the angler is not likely to go short of "luck."

FLY CASTERS' ANNUAL BANQUET.

The annual banquet of the San Francisco Fly Casting Club at a downtown restaurant Thursday evening last week about takes precedence in the history of the many unique and pleasant gatherings of the jolly anglers during the past twenty years. After an appetizing menu was disposed of, the annual business meeting was held. The old board of officers was re-elected by acclamation—Frank J. Cooper, president; T. C. Kierulff, first vice-president; F. A. Webster, second vice-president; J. F. Burgin, W. F. Bogart, Walter D. Mansfield, Stanley Forbes and John D. Siebe, directors; Paul W. Shattuck, secretary-treasurer.

Walter Mansfield, on behalf of the club, presented President Cooper with a handsome and valuable loving cup, a replica of the beautiful trophy cup prizes awarded at the recent exposition international fly-casting tournament. Colonel Paul M. Nippert was the recipient of a novel watch fob, a token that many anglers have and all true anglers desire. Colonel C. G. Young, J. F. Siebe, Col. J. F. Burgin and others were also on the receiving line for appropriate mementoes from their fellow members.

The medal winners for the season of 1915 were: Walter D. Mansfield, F. H. Reed, W. J. Davis Jr., Harry A. Thomsen Jr., E. A. Rogers and J. Springer. These medals consist of a top and tail piece of gold, the member's class in the different events being shown by the bar furnished, viz.: champion class, a gold bar; master, a silver bar, and expert, a bronze bar. The top and tail piece medal being awarded but once to a winner in the championship class—subsubsequently winning series being recognized with appropriate bars.

The winners in the various events during the season of 1915 were:

Gold bars—F. J. Cooper 2, ,W. D. Mansfield 3, W. J. Davis Jr. 3, H. A. Thomsen Jr. 1, E. A. Rogers 2, J. Springer 1. C. H. Kewell 3, T. C. Kierulff 1, F. A. Webster 4, C. G. Young 2, C. H. Gardner 3, J. J. Burgin 4, Stanley Forbes 4.

Silver bars—Reed 3, Davis 5, Thomsen 3, Rogers 2, Springer 2, Kewell 4, Dr. W. E. Brooks 3, Young 1, Gardner 3, Burgin 4, Forbes 6.

Bronze bars—Davis 3 (2 for 1914), Rogers 3, Springer 2, Cooper 1, Kewell 2, Brooks 1, Kierulff 3, Webster 3, Young 1, Gardner 2, Burgin 3, Forbes 2.

There is a big run of salmon on in the Sacramento river in Tehama county and also in the Shasta river. Floyd Smith, a Chico resident, holds the record for the biggest salmon taken out of the Sacramento river so far this season—a 65-pounder landed last Sunday. Salmon can be caught now with hook and line only, or by means of a spear. The individual limit is three per day. In some of the shallower branches of the Sacramento river, where the salmon are going up stretm to spawn, nearby residents are taking many fish.

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The open season in this State on black bass, Sacramento perch, sunfish and crappie, will close December 1.

At the Traps

Orange Belt Traps.—President C. E. Groat of the Vernon Gun Club was the high man November 21, with 95 out of a possible 100. J. F. Dodds was runner up. Shooting from 20 yards, he broke 94. Fred Gruell of the Hoegee company was third with 93.

The free turkey shoot was a success. Thirty-one shooters lined up with distance handicaps for the shoot. Some fine scores were made and sixteen beautiful birds were distributed among the winners.

However, those who did not win a Thanksgiving bird will not go without a fine dinner. The winners invited the losers to their homes for a dinner on Thanksgiving day. So every one went away happy.

Following are the scores:

H. A. Perk shot at 75, broke 55; J. A. Mitchell 50—39; Linderman 50—30; William Pugh 100—87; A. W. Bruner 110—97; R. J. Keelor 110—91; C. P. Mandaville 100—70; R. L. Hall 185—161; J. F. Dodds 185—175, Fred Gruell 100—93; J. C. Percival 100—64; J. M. Treus 145—117; A. N. Van Nest 60—52; B. A. French 60—40; E. T. Wheeler 50—32; H. Adams 50—42; Dr. J. E. Davis 70—62; C. B. Shipley 75—64; George J. Towsing 50—22; W. T. Donehety 115—99; C. C. Babcock 50—30; C. E. Groat 100—95; Mrs. C. E. Groat 50—30; J. E. Edmonson 50—32; C. Norton 70—45; Schadwell 50—43; Realixon 50—34; J. W. Trout 20—18; W. G. Braner 25—17; H. A. Sullivan 50—46; William McLean 25—13.

INTERSTATE ASSOCIATION MEETING.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of The Interstate Association For the Encouragement of Trapshooting will be held on the second day of December, 1915, at 10 o'clock in the morning, at the office of the association with The Corporation Trust Company, 15 Exchange Place, Jersey City, New Jersey, for the purpose of electing a Board of Directors, receiving and acting upon reports of the officers, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

In accordance with a resolution adopted at their annual meeting of 1912, the directors of The Interstate Association would be pleased to have the president, or some duly accredited representative, of the several State Associations and prominent gun club organizations, attend their annual meeting in 1915 and give them the benefit of their views on trapshooting.

MISLEADING RUMOR CORRECTED.

A recent communication from the Remington Arms-Union Metallic Cartridge Co. to the Breeder and Sportsman states:

"In view of rumors which have gained circulation to the effect that this company has changed hands, we feel called upon to advise that the 'Remington Arms Co. of Delaware,' whose plant is located at Eddystone, Pa., and which was sold to the Midvale Steel and Ordnance Co., was merely a subsidiary company organized solely for the execution of a large order for military rifles. No sporting arms have been manufactured at that plant nor was there any intention to manufacture such. It was this plant only that was sold to the Midvale Company.

Tre Remington Arms works at Ilion, N. Y., the Union Metallic Cartridge works and the new Remington Arms works at Bridgeport, Conn., and the Remington Arms-Union Metallic Cartridge works at Windsor, Canada, have undergone no change whatever and none is contemplated. These works are still being conducted under the same name, same ownership and same management as heretofore."

HUNTING NOTES.

The outlook for full game bags tomorrow for duck hunters who burn powder at nearby shooting resorts is not of an overly encouraging nature. Best results will probably be had in the Suisun, Sonoma and Petaluma marsh sections, northerly or northwesterly winds prevailing. While there are some northern ducks in this section at present, it is very evident that the main migration of wildfowl is dallying on the journey south. Advice from Puget Sound and other northern points indicate cold weather and state that for the past ten days ducks and wild geese have been swarming southward in great flocks. Even so, the aerial voyagers have only appeared here in small bunches. The main flocks of the birds are no doubt enjoying life along the coast rivers and lagoons, in the big lake at Big Meadows and the rice field and swamp country of the upper Sacramento valley, where feed and fresh water are plentiful. Nor will the birds congregate in our marshes and about the bays and creeks until the winter storms make them change up country boarding houses. It is possible, however, that stormy weather early this week up north may change matters considerably.

The upper Sacramento valley swamp and overflow country is rapidly being taken up by gun clubs—or reclaimed for cultivation. That section is now regarded as one of the best duck shooting districts in the State—barring the Imperial valley. The latest gun club speculation reported is the intention of thirty Lodi nimrods to secure shooting rights on 1,000 acres of rice fields in the center of fine duck hunting ground near Biggs. An investigating committee of Lodi-ites was on the ground early last week. Limit strings of mallards brought back gave credence to the enthusiastic reports of the scouts.

The Last Chance Gun Club members have been shooting on their fifteen-acre claim in the center of the Wild Goose Club's shooting domain. Deputy sheriffs were guarding the grounds of the Wild Goose Club Sunday. Hunters of Butte county state that they have known of the unpatented swamp land for years, but as long as the old Gridley Gun Club was in existence they were allowed to hunt. With the passing of title to the Wild Goose Club the independent gunner was left without a chance to get any duck shooting, hence the present attempt to secure the unpatented tract of fifteen acres.

Geese are plentiful up Rio Vista way. About the only market shipments last week came from that section. The birds are said to be plentiful on the Hansen tract.

Canvasback and bluebill ducks are fairly plentiful in Suisun and San Pablo bays, but not nearly as numerous as these varieties will be after a heavy spell of weather "up north." The "blueys" are in the majority at present. The first market shipment of "cans" came in here Wednesday—twenty-five birds sent down from McGill's. This batch was shot on the old preserve of the Alameda Gun Club, a famous canvasback producer in past seasons.

Down the San Joaquin valley fair sport has been the luck of Newman gunners since the season opened. The old Gustine duck shooting ground has been a fair producer only. At Badger Flats, between Volta and Westside, there has been enough water in the ponds to offer some decent shooting. The Westside country is, and has been, too dry for the birds to waste any time there. The Raisin City Gun Club's ponds near Dos Palos produced forty-eight limits of ducks for fifty-two members on the opening day. The balance of what has been a grand duck shooting section down that way has been deserted by the birds—no water. The winter rains, of course, will create ponds here and there and bring in more or less ducks, but patrolmen in the vicinity of Los Banos will keep off the trigger pullers.

Good duck and goose hunting conditions are anticipated by Fresno hunters this season. Stormy weather is now the hope of the Raisin City trigger pullers. The long dry spell, it is reported, has caused the ducks to stay in several small lakes down the valley, mostly controlled by gun clubs. A heavy rain will scatter the birds and give better shooting for the individual gunner and also send many birds from the bay region back into the San Joaquin valley. In these days of high-power machines distance does not cut any grave figure in reaching a good shooting ground.

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Valley quail and mountain quail are plentiful this season in many parts of this State. Hunting conditions, however, are not of gilt-edged quality. Although the slight rainfalls bettered conditions temporarily, the dry ground and dusty cover need the attention of Jupiter Pluvius. Despite this quite a number of local devotees of upland sport have managed to enjoy good shooting in the nearby bay counties' foothills and also at distant points.

SALT WATER ANGLING.

Good catches of large-sized striped bass were made at different resorts by the Sunday delegation of bass chasers recently. Adam Hackmeir, Louis Radigan and several other local rodsters tried Gallenas creek, near the brick yard, above San Rafael. The venture proved a correct guess, for a number of fair-sized bass were caught.

Louis Gotthelf, Howard Vernon and others pinned their faith on the fishing grounds in Napa creek, near the railroad drawbridge. Gotthelf's 12, 15 and 18-pound striped bass was the high hook exploit for the day at that point. One fisherman's stout tackle was cleaned out by an unseen Leviathan claimed to be of huge proportions. He was fishing to form, for the largest fish always escape.

Among the Wingo visitors there was a catch of over 20 fine bass distributed a fortnight ago. Most of the fish were taken in Appleby bay, down the creek about twelve miles from Wingo station. The wise fishermen are looking for the seasonal run of large striped bass in the sloughs and creeks of that section. Indications point to a keen and persistent foray after big bass tomorrow.

One of the San Antoners landed a 40-pounder last week, a Sunday visitors captured a 12-pound bass.

Across the bay, along the San Pablo shores fair catches of bass are reported to have been made daily during the pleasant weather. At Port Costa and up to Martinez good fishing has prevailed. The Fish and Game Commission deputies have been active along Carquinez straits and have pinched a number of wharf fishermen for operating without a fishing license. Good bass fishing has been in vogue also at South Vallejo.

Rem-UMC Notes.

Fifty enthusiasts faced the traps of the Middlesboro (Ky.) Gun Club recently. Wm. Archer, shooting the perfect combination of Remington pump gun and Nitro Club shells, won high amateur average with a score of 93x100.

EXPOSITION SHOW.

The holding of the Exposition show at the Marine Cafe, on the "Zone," was a wise move on the part of the officials in charge. Entrance to the exhibit during the daytime will be free, a charge of 10 cents will be made evenings. The show will open Monday and close Wednesday night.

The daily press notices of the show have been a series of marvelous announcements of which the following is a sample:

"San Francisco has had dog shows for more than a score of years, but in numbers and in quality of dogs the coming exhibition of canines will eclipse the classiest event ever held on the Pacific Coast.

The entries represent 160 individuals and kennels. Never before have so many women appeared to exhibit their favorites. Forty-four members of the gentler sex are represented in the entries, and among these are many notable society women."

The reiterated statements that "600 blue blooded" dogs will be shown, is in line with the usual exaggerated preliminary press notices for our bench shows. Four hundred dogs is nearer the mark. At that the show will be a good one and worth visiting.

A PLEA FOR THE GREYHOUND.

The established prejudice against greyhounds as pets appears to have deep roots. How very seldom one sees them in the home. How much too often we meet some blue-blooded aristocrat of this breed playing the ignominious part of "lurcher" behind a gypsy caravan.

The deplorable truth of the proverb, "Give a dog a bad name and hang it," is perhaps too evident in the instance of greyhounds.

"Bad-tempered," says one careless witness; "cowardly," asserts a second; "greedy," a third; "a thief," a fourth; and so on, till the last shred of character is torn to tatters. Only set the ball well rolling, and it will gather some mud.

To rebut such charges in the face of so general a consensus of opinion is not easy, for the greyhound has truly in these later centuries lost his old prestige as a man's companion. Time was when hawk and greyhound were more important matters in the life of an English gentleman. Good old leisure flourished, and humanity had more dignity even in its sports.

Now to a greyhound is alloted a place "below the salt," and not at its master's feet in a dining hall. In point of fact, his master seldom sits down. And the pity of it is that he has lived too long amongst hirelings and menials. For he has suffered accordingly the injustices and degradations which such as they deal out to "them brute beasts," so often infinitely nobler in disposition and cleanlier in their ways of living than the "Christians" who arrogate to themselves the superior merit of having "souls."

From his babyhood a greyhound is now "walked," too often indifferently fed—a matter which does not encourage honesty. From his adolescence he is "trained" or "showed," also an education which does not encourage affection or demonstrative characteristics.

Usually, these poor pups lead a life of dull routine schooling and monotonous exercise on hard roads—things which help to crush a good deal of spontaneousness and gaity out of them. Life has a sad outlook from the beginning for most greyhounds, and they do not remain young or playful long in the round of work and drudgery. Given a similar life to a child, what would he become?

An ordinary greyhound seldom hears a kind word, knows nothing of gentle caresses, and tit-bits and dainties, such as house-dogs receive, are unknown to him. He is kenneled by men whose business it is to see to his exercise and food, groomed by rough boys who pull him about in the intervals of their task, while he patiently submits to such insults with the calm resignation born of hopelessness.

Yet those who have tested the greyhound's character in the house find many qualities which endear him to his owners. He is most sensitive to praise or blame from his superiors, for he undoubtedly recognizes the "classes," and distinguishes them from the "masses." And he has sweet gentleness which disarms criticism and roughness of speech. In a room he has the additional merit of a short coat and quiet movements. Also he has the advantage of there retiring into a remote corner and packing himself into an extraordinarily small space.

The insult of "thief" so frequently attached to his name has very little foundation. Given an education in the house, he is a strictly honorable gentleman. We have one who will guard the braakfast bacon, even in the fender, from the approach of any other dog, and any young greyhounds reared at our hearth will sniff at the approach of luncheon or dinner, but rigidly and loyally keep their distance. We leave our pups with the tea-table fully equipped with cakes, and we have never had to reproach for theft.

It is asserted of greyhounds that those of the present day are wanting in "life"; otherwise, I conclude, animation and "go." Who can wonder at this stigma on an ancient breed, lost in the remote days of antiquity—a breed now maligned and ill-used beyond any other? He appears to be past excitement—merely dutiful. In fact, the point of conscience and duty, I believe, is developed abnormally, and those points, we know, do not conduce to verve or originality.

MARQUE AT CURLES NECK FARM.

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2:17, and an own sister of Bingen 2:06¼. That breeding is pure peaches and cream, eh? but here is another pedigree that is just as attractive. Its owner is a bay colt from Memories, an own sister of Todd 2:14¾! Just roll that over your tongue, will you? I took a good many longing glances at this fellow, for while he is no better an individual than a lot of the others, just think of the chance he has to become a great horse!

We now come to a trio whose dams are all by Prodigal 2:16—a horse who, during his lifetime, was not sufficiently appreciated, but because of the showing of his daughters has at last come into his own. Louise Wilson 2:10¾ has a bay filly, and Myra Prodigal 2:20¾ a bay colt, which, to my way of thinking, is about as good a prospect as the lot includes. The brown filly whose dam is Kingston Belle 2:10¾, has three white legs and a large star. In my notes I said this is "an extra nice filly"—and surely she is so.

Among the brood mares that Mr. Billings retained after using them, either in wagon exhibitions or under saddle, is the California-bred daughter of McKinney 2:11¼, Berta Mac 2:08. "Doc" Tanner always claimed that with few exceptions Berta had as much "lick" as any trotter he ever drove. She is a large mare and rather plain, and while her colt, a good-sized bay fellow, is not dandified, he has a good set of legs and is put up right. Baracalla, by Barongale (4) 2:11¼—Caracalla 2:10, is represented by a brown filly that is very attractive. I selected her as one that I would like to tie to on account of her breeding, which is of the best, and because she is almost faultless as an individual.

Many horsemen will remember Yo San, a mare that Mr. F. G. Jones, of Memphis, Tenn., used in the matinees, and because of her speed entered several times in the Grand Circuit stakes. She was not only very fast, but was considered individually one of the handsomest of trotting mares. Her filly, a brown, and, like its dam, slashed up with white, will make a very beautiful piece of horseflesh. They told me that she was growing fast, and for that reason was a little awkward, but that she was a genuine lot trotter.

Thad regards highly a bay filly from Baroness Jay 2:29¼, by Jay McGregor 2:07¼. He is at present working a yearling sister of this filly, and pronounces her one of the best trotting prpospects he ever handled. She is full of vim and ginger, but can step fast and do it right. Baroness Axworthy (3) 2:29¼, by Axworthy 2:15½, dam Erirange 2:21 (dam of Colorado Range (3) 2:08¼ and Zobedah 2:15¼, trial this fall in 2:05¾), by Prodigal 2:16, is responsible for a classy looking bay colt—Erirange herself won the classic two-year-old Lexington stake in 1900, and is proving a remarkable dam of speed. Gertrude Dillon's (2:10½) foal is a bay filly with white markings, a clean-cut, full-made one of good size. Her grandam, Biscari, is the dam of eleven.

In going through the pastures I came across Caracas, by Bingen 2:06¼, out of Houri 2:17, the mare that has repeatedly been pronounced by connoisseurs the finest type of standard-bred brood mare living. I knew her well when she was owned at Dromore Farm, St. Claire, Mich., and was mighty well pleased to see her again. When purchased for Curles Neck she was in foal to Justice Brook (3) 2:08½, the ex-champion two-year-old trotting colt, and the produce is a beautiful bay filly with no markings. Caracas has always thrown good individuals, and this one is up to her highest standard. Baroness Virginia (3) 2:08¼, to whom I have referred previously, dropped a bay colt by Silent Brigade (2) 2:10¾. Mr. Tipton told me to have a good look at this one, for he thought well of it. Well—it's a nice colt, but to my way of thinking, not so prepossessing as the black filly by the same sire and from Nonnie, by Moko. This one is a show filly, and no mistake, and ranks with the Violet A filly in respect to beauty and finish. The last of the weanlings to be accounted for is a bay filly by Justice Brooke, dam Clara Toddington, by Toddington 2 20. Her caretaker wanted me to see her step, and so moved her at the end of the halter, and sure enough—she can "mock a trotter."

When it was announced this fall that Mr. Billings would sell in the Old Glory sale all of his young stock, reserving not even Expressive Lou (2) 2:15, daughter of Atlantic Express 2:07¾, and Lou Dillon, many expressions of regret were heard due to the fact that it was the impression that Mr. Billings was going out of the breeding business. The fact of the matter is, that he is just going into the breeding business, and, as previously stated, will make additions to his band of brood mares. Mr. Billings has never raced horses professionally, and never will; so, you see, the product of Curles Neck, without reservation, will be sold. If he retained even one or two of the youngsters from his favorite mares, the impression would be given that the choice ones were being held out; but now that all will go to the sales annually the public is given an opportunity to secure at its own figures the entire crop, absolutely without reservation. Then, too, the fact that they will be sold when weanlings will give the buyers an opportunity to secure fresh, untried colts and fillies that have never been subjected to training or trotting, and, as a consequence, are sound and uninjured.

Five yearlings and two two-year-olds will accompany the weanlings to the Old Glory, viz.: a bay filly by Guy Axworthy (4) 2:08¾, dam Myra Prodigal 2:20¾; roan filly by Peter the Great 2:07¼, dam Baroness Evelyn 2:12¾; bay filly by Axworthy 2:15½, dam Kingston Belle 2:10¾, and chestnut filly by Axworthy, dam Lucille Marlow 2:09¼, by Prodigal; also the bay filly that I mentioned, whose dam is Baroness Jay 2:29¼. One two-year-old is by Peter the Great, dam Adioo Dillon (dam of Dillon Axworthy (3) 2:10¼, etc.), by Sidney Dillon. Thad worked this one a quarter in 39 seconds as a yearling. The other is Expressive Lou (2) 2:15, by Atlantic Express 2:07¾, dam Lou Dillon 1:58½. The Axworthy-Lucille Marlow filly is a beautiful thing, and I believe will bring a big price at the sale.

EXPRESSIVE LOU (2) 2:15

William 1:58½, Mr. Billings' latest acquisition, and Expressive Lou (2) 2:15, were quartered at the farm when I reached there. William was in fine fettle and the sensational filly was beginning to fill up and take on flesh. "Thad" gave me the following particulars as to her work:

"I broke her in the spring of 1914, when she was a yearling, but following instructions, didn't step her a quarter better than 40 seconds. Trotting came natural to her and she never needed much weight and no rigging. I intended to work her regularly the past spring but you know I was taken sick and was laid up for over two months. So she had had only jog work when we sent her to Jim Snell on the second of June, and in just ninety days from that time she took her record of 2:15, with the last half in 1:06; soon after, as you know, working a mile in 2:13¼ at Lexington. Snell calls her the most remarkable trotter he ever handled, considering how quickly she learned to carry her speed and the fact that she was growing so fast."

At Lexington Snell himself told me that he believed Exppressive Lou had a chance to become a sensational trotter if she was brought along with that end in view. He thought, too, that he could have driven her in 2:10 this fall, but stated that he let up on her after she had taken her record. "She is so good-headed," said Snell, "and trotting comes as easy to her as running does to a thoroughbred." She should be one of the very best futurity candidates for 1916 for she has not been overworked and has so many of the qualities that insure speed and class.

HUMFAST AND TRAMPRIGHT.

And while on the subject of fast records and notable workout miles at Lexington, a pair of performances by a couple of trotters got by the same horse make a vivid picture to all who saw them, writes H. T. White in a recent number of the American Horse Breeder.

Humfast (3) 2:09¾ and Trampright (4) 2:08¼ are the two who linger in my memory. When an apparently unbeatable three-year-old like Mary Putney comes along and dominates the stakes for its age in such impressive style that every eye is of necessity fastened on the star of the season, some others that, under ordinary circumstances, would be hailed as topnotchers inevitably are overlooked. "Nobody remembers the name of the second horse in the derby," is an old saying, but a true one, and it is, in a measure, to overcome this tendency of the public to see only the nag that is first past the post that I have something to say about Humfast and Trampright.

When Mary Putney set the record for three-year-old fillies at 2:05½ in the second heat of her winning race for the Kentucky Futurity, she naturally was the one big figure under the spotlight, and, in the shadow of a world's champion, other horses, not having the center of the stage, are overlooked. In that 2:05½ heat, the second horse, beaten but a little, was the filly, Humfast. She had occupied a like position at the end of the opening mile, coming from behind in the last sixteenth, and for that reason I never took my eyes from her during the heat that established a new record for fillies.

When the field scored down, Tom Murphy nodded for the word at least four lengths back of the leading horse. Humfast, a model of deportment, trailed along, and, while the public gaze was fastened on Mary Putney, I took note of all Humfast did. And her work was worth watching. It was evident from his willingness to take the word, although handicapped by a poor position, that Murphy—not believing his filly capable of beating the flying leader—was laying his plans solely with the idea of making sure of the $2,000 second money. He made no move to join the other colts until the home stretch was reached, and, although the pace at that stage of the contest was exceedingly fast (as it had to be to make the mile a record one) Humfast overhauled the others hand over hand, and, when Mary Putney flashed under the wire in 2:05½, Humfast was but a length or so back, easily defeating all but the winner.

After the race, the conversational buzz and the subsequent cheers were all expended on the new world's champion. Everybody overlooked Humfast except a few critical folk who had timed her apart from the winner. Most of the watches of this gentry registered 2:05. That night I talked with Murphy, who was all smiles at the mention of the filly's name. "I timed her in 2:05¼," he said, answering my query, and, while he did not say so, I am confident he believed the filly capable of still greater work had he asked her for it. And then the talk drifted to Trampfast, the filly's sire, with whom Murphy won the junior division of the Kentucky Futurity in 1907, in 2:12¼, a world's race record for two-year-old stallions, and to the fact that Murphy had in his string another Trampfast, the four-year-old stallion, Trampright.

"I am going to work him a good mile during the meeting," said Murphy. "He's a good colt." Knowing Murphy, and noting his words, I kept an eye peeled for that trial, and, when it took place, the showing, in the speed line, was even more than I had anticipated, as after going easily to the half in 1:04, the colt increased the pace perceptibly, stepping the third quarter in :31. That brought him to the three-quarters in 1:35, and the watch holders naturally thought that was the best speed on tap. But it wasn't, for, in the home stretch, Murphy called on Trampright for more, and the colt handed out the goods in sensational style by stepping the final quarter in :29¾, the mile in 2:04¾.

We had seen or heard of some wonderful miles this season by eligibles to the rich purses of 1915. Peter Mac's heat in 2:03½, the first half in :59, headed the little list of coming stars, and following it were the 2:04¼ heat of Mabel Trask 2:14¾, at Hartford, and the 2:04 trial of Ima Jay 2:13¼, at Detroit. There had been talk that Murphy, the star reinsman, never would be able to get that sort of tools for his 1916 campaign, but here were a couple of youngsters that showed 2:05 or better, were sound, well mannered and sired by a colt champion. Murphy was willing to talk about Humfast and Trampright, in fact, was enthusiastic about them, but had nothing to say about next year, except the enigmatical utterance, "Oh, I don't know whether I have anything or not."

Mowever, that is Murphy's way. Until a possible gem of purest ray has withstood the acid test, he does not prognosticate or laud. But, in the case of this Trampfast pair, I opine he has a fixed opinion which it would take a lot of evidence to remove. At all events, the world of horsedom is a unit in the belief that, when Murphy shows you a 2:05¼ three-year-old in a race and a 2:04¾ four-year-old in a public workout, he has suitable weapons for the most desperate frays that 1916 turf annals will chronicle.

And here is how the experts figure the situation: Murphy absolutely does not string his horses to the limit except when they are going for the money. True, Humfast was after the coin in the Kentucky Futurity, and she got the part Murphy was after—the $3,000 second money. Moreover, she took down that particular persimmon in commanding style, coming from behind, and at the end beating all but the champion that was out in front in the simplest manner possible. Similarly, Trampright's mile is analyzed as not revealing all the stallion had in the speed line. The last half in 1:03¾, final quarter :29¾, was done without stretching him to the last ounce, they argue and believe. Hence, taking into account the natural improvement in well bred and extremely fast young trotters that have not been asked for every last thing they could do in colthood, Murphy's hand for 1916, so far as the big purses are concerned, looks a little bit better than that of anybody else, since he has two aces to the other fellow's one—and, if all the tales about the Canadian trotter, Vanko 2:06¼, whom he recently acquired, are true, the man from Poughkeepsie may have three of them.

TOM GAHAGAN'S VIEW OF MISS PERFECTION.

The splendid race trotted by Miss Perfection was the surprise of the race, although she gave an inkling of her class when she trotted two workout heats during the recent Lexington meeting in 2:06½. However, Spriggan, winner of the similar stake in June, was supposed to be a 2:05 trotter, and Axtien had beaten Peter Scott a heat at Lexington in 2:06¼, so it looked like the MacKenzie filly would be lucky to get a place in the money. Axtien, however, was dead lame and never was a contender, while Miss Perfection simply outtrotted Spriggan, who finished third and never was dangerous in any of the three heats.

Miss Perfection was bred by Senator Bailey at his Lexington farm and was purchased by Havis James, acting for R. J. MacKenzie, during the trots in the fall of 1912, when she was a yearling. She was not raced as a two-year-old, but Charles DeRyder, who succeeded James as the trainer of the MacKenzie stable, brought her to the Grand Circuit in 1914, where she raced fairly well, taking a record of 2:09¼ in a losing race at Detroit. Last spring she was taken sick at Pleasanton and nothing was done with her for several weeks, the let-up preventing her starting at the exposition June meeting, although she rounded to sufficiently to work in 2:10¾ before being shipped east to the Great Western Circuit, where DeRyder raced her successfully the past summer.

Miss Perfection is bred to be a fast mare, being a daughter of the triple futurity winner, General Watts (3) 2:06¾, for three years holder of the world's record for three-year-old trotters and a speed sire of merit since being retired to the stud. Her dam is Sue Fletcher, by Tregantle 2:09¼, a very fast trotter and sire of such fast performers as Brace Girdle 2:04¾ and Airdale, whose yearling record of 2:15¾ is the best by one of the age. But four years old and still eligible to the stakes, Miss Perfection should be a valuable mare for DeRyder the coming season.—Western Horseman.

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THE FARM

DRAIN WET LAND.

Much Farm Land Should Be Drained to Secure Maximum Crop Production.—Soil Condition Improved.

By simple drainage much of the wet swampy farm land which can not be cultivated in its present condition may be made productive. There is also many a piece of cultivated land which is not producing what is could be made to do if it were properly drained. Indeed, according to the department's specialists, drainage in the United States is only fairly begun, and its immense possibilities are but little known.

Lands that are too wet for the most profitable production of crops, such as wet level land, low spots, and the dry subsoils of flat areas on the summits of knolls, rivers and creek bottoms, and peat bogs, should be drained. Even uplands may often be drained with profit, especially hillsides subject to erosion or inclined to be "spouty." Indeed, drainage is profitable wherever it is necessary to the fullest use of the land. It is not uncommon for lands to wet for cultivation to produce, when drained, 60 to 70 bushels of corn or oats or from one to one and a half bales of cotton to the acre. On much of the drained land the increase of yield is from 25 to 100 per cent, and by the increased yield and decreased cost of cultivation the value of the land is often doubled.

Drainage improves the physical condition of the soil by making it more porous and friable. Thus stiff soils are made more easy to work. The roots of plants are given a greater feeding depth by the lowering of the water level and hence the ability of crops to utilize moisture is increased. Well-drained soils also absorb more rainfall than undrained soils, thus decreasing erosion and damage by floods.

Drainage warms the soil. Heat from the sun acts directly upon the soil when excessive moisture is removed by drainage. This is noticeable in the North, where the planting season is from one to two weeks earlier on drained land than on similar land when undrained. The danger of damage by frost both in the spring and in the fall is reduced. Warming of the soil also causes the seed to werminate more readily, thereby giving a better stand of crops and causing the plants to grow more promptly.

Drained land can be plowed earlier in the spring than undrained land. Crops an be cultivated sooner after a rain, and if covered tile drains are used instead of open ditches machinery can be used to better advantage and the cost of cultivation decreased.

Health conditions are also improved by the drainage of swamps and standing water. The breeding places for mosquitoes are removed, with the consequent abolishment of malaria in the locality.

The most practical drainage system is one that is adequate, permanent, uses the least possible land, and is not a hindrance to cultivation. Tile drains which empty into either open or closed outlets most nearly provide such a system. By the open-ditch system much valuable land is occupied, the drainage is seldom thorough, and the ditches become filled and have to be cleaned out. Open ditches sometimes occupy as much as 10 per cent and frequently 5 per cent of the area drained. Thus it is that tile drains, while more expensive to install, are generally the most economical in the end.

In laying out a drainage system, the outlet is the first consideration. On rolling or hilly lands channels have usually been washed out, although they may need to be straightened and cleaned out. On low, level land it is usually necessary to dig open ditches, and they should be straight and deep, since curves check the flow of water, while in a deep ditch water generally flows more rapidly and less vegetation is likely to be present. The outlets should be deep enough to take care of the flow from branch drains, which may necessarily be placed low to secure sufficient fall.

Open ditches work well with a drop of 4 feet to the mile, although some, of necessity, have no more than 1 foot drop.

ALFALFA PASTURES.

A system of rotation pasturing is being adopted in Arizona which, in the opinion of specialists in the department, offers great possibilities to alfalfa raisers in the Southwest. Farmers who pasture alfalfa frequently have difficulty in maintaining the stand. This problem is especially acute in the irrigation sections of the Southwest, where the season is long and live stocck kept on the fields practically the entire year.

Continuous close pasturing starves the roots of the plants, and the tramping of the wet soil does further damage. In consequence the stand thins out rapidly, weeds gain a footing, and the productivity of the fields is much decreased.

The Arizona system overcomes these difficulties by keeping the live stock off the fields until the alfalfa is sufficiently mature to make hay. The animals are then turned into the fields in large enough numbers to harvest the crop quickly.

This system has been partly developed on many farms in the State, but has been perfected on two farms to an extent which deserves particular attention. The system practiced is fully outlined in Circular 54 of the office of the Secretary.

One of these farms, situated near Phoenix, Ariz., comprises 160 acres of alfalfa of the best type found in the state. It is divided into 8 fields of 20 acres each, all in alfalfa. These fields are pastured at different times during the year, but occasionally the crop is cut for hay instead of being pastured off. When ready for pasture, dairy cows giving milk are first turned into the fields. After they have secured the best of the feed they are turned into a new field and followed by dry cows and young stock. These clean up the field and are in turn transferred to another, the first field being watered and left to mature another crop. In the case of those fields which are cut for hay, after the crop has been put up with a hay loader, dry cows and young stock are utilized to clean up the waste hay before the field is watered.

The obvious advantage o fthis system is that the milch cows are constantly supplied with the best feed on the farm. Maximum returns from them are thus secured, while the second-class feed is quite good enough to keep the dry cows and the young stock in condition. Under this system the equivalent of 168 full-grown cattle were kept on the farm for 12 months and 260 tons of surplus feed procured in addition. The stand of alfalfa has been maintained in excellent condition for 10 years now.

In describing this farm the circular already mentioned is careful to point out that the returns have been far above the average because both in soil and management the farm is exceptional. There is, however, no apparent reason why the system should not be equally applicable to farms on which these advantages are less marked.

Another farm near Yuma maintained on 140 acres the equivalent of 141 full-grown animals for 12 months and produced in addition surplus alfalfa hay and seed to the value of $1,860. This farm was divided into five fields; two of 18 acres each, two of 40 acres each, and one of 24 acres. Under the rotation system one field was pastured five times and cut for hay once, one field was pastured six times and cut for hay once, two fields were pastured off four times and cut for hay twice, and the fifth field was pastured twice, cut for hay once, and cut for seed once. The circular already mentioned gives in detail the pasture and crop record of this farm. Not only does this system result in maintaining the stand of alfalfa and eliminating obnoxious weeds, but losses from bloat are reported as being greatly reduced. During 12 months only three head were lost in this way.

PROFITABLE CROP ROTATION.

The most profitable crop rotation does not consist merely in changing the crops around from year to year, regardless of the relation of the crops to each other. The central aim in all crop rotation systems should be to leave each field in a better state of cultivation, better physical condition, and reasonably free from pests at the end of each rotation cycle.

No hard and fast rotation system cen be laid down for any community, but the most profitable system must be worked out for each farm and, indeed, for each field. There are certain general principles, however, that should be borne in mind in this connection in order to accomplish the most satisfactory results. For soil improvement there should be at least one leguminous crop in each rotation cycle. To this class of plants belong the clovers, alfalfa, peas, beans, etc. There should also be sufficient quantity of live stock, especially milch cows, on each farm to utilize the roughage and to supply the desired quantityye of stable manure, which, in addition to green crops plowed under, will furnish the necessary amount of humus to the soil. The conditions resulting from this treatment, if the soil is properly handled, will make the succeeding crops more vigorous and capable of offsetting, in some measure at least, the effects of any pests that may appear. Again, the successive crops in any rotation should be so selected and arranged that no two upon which the same pest may thrive will be grown in succession. The principles of disease control by means of crop rotation are based upon the fact that certain pests can thrive only on certain kinds of plants. Therefore, when the crops are changed and the food supply thereby cut off, the pests must perish or be greatly reduced in number.

SAFEGUARDING THE MEAT SUPPLY.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 20.—More than 58,000,000 meat animals were slaughtered in establishments under Federal inspection during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1915. Since approximately from 58 to 60 per cent of the animals killed in the country are slaughtered in establishments where Federal inspection is maintained, it appears that about 100,000,000 meat animals are now being killed each year in the United States.

Of the animals subjected to Federal inspection 299,958 were condemned as unfit for human use, and 644,688 were condemned in part. Thus a little more than 1½ per cent of all the animals inspected were condemned either in whole or in part. These figures include only cattle, calves, sheep, goats and swine.

Tuberculosis was the chief cause of the condemnation. More than 32,644 carcasses of cattle and 66,000 carcasses of swine were entirely rejected on account of this disease, and in addition parts of 48,000 cattle and 440,000 swine. Hog cholera was responsible for the next largest loss, nearly 102,000 swine being condemned entirely on this account.

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In the course of its work, the Bureau of Animal Industry, which is in charge of the meat inspection service, has discovered a new method of destroying trichinae in pork, which is an additional safeguard to human health. Refrigeration at a temperature of 5 degrees, F., or lower, for a period of 20 days will destroy these parasites which occasionally give rise in human beings to the serious disease known as trichinosis. Hitherto the only safeguard against this disease has been thorough cooking of all pork and pork products, and those persons who neglect this precaution have always been more or less exposed to the danger. Unless pork is known to have been subjected to refrigeration as above indicated it should be thoroughly cooked. The microscopic examination of pork for the detection of trichinae has been abandoned as the usual methods have proved inefficient.

In this connection it is interesting to note that more swine were slaughtered in the past year in establishments under Federal inspection than ever before. A total of 36,247,958 were inspected at the time of slaughter adn approximately 35,900,000 passed for food.

CARE OF DAIRY CALVES.

Careful attention on the part of a dairyman during the two weeks that follow a calf's birth will often mean the ultimate addition to his herd of a large, well-developed milking cow, instead of a sickly, undersized, stunted animal. The problem of raising calves is today a more complicated one than when it was customary to feed a larger amount of while milk. The dairyman will therefore find it to his advantage to take the best possible care of his calves from the very beginning.

Immediately after birth the navel of the calf should be washed with an antiseptic solution and tied with a silk thread in order to prevent infection. For the first feed the calf should have the first milk from the cow after calving and should have its mother's milk for several feeds thereafter. The sooner the weaning takes place the better, but ordinarily it should not be postponed later than the fourth day. The sooner the calf is weaned the more easily it is taught to drink. When first fed from the pail, 8 to 10 pounds of milk a day, fresh and warm from the cow and divided into two feeds, are sufficient. The feeding times should be as nearly regular as possible, and at first it is advisable to feed more than twice a day. The amount fed should be constant; and tc insure this, scales should be used, as variation tends to get the digestive organs out of order. At all times the utmost care should be taken to pprevent any digestive disorder, as all such trouble hinders the growth and development of the animal. Calf scours is the most common indication of this condition.

The following named precautions, to a great extent, tend to prevent scours:

Feed regularly.

Be sure that the milk is always sweet and warm.

In feeding use only clean pails.

Reduce the amount of milk one-half if the animal becomes sick.

Corn meal, bran, and oil meal, mixed in the proportion of three, two, and one, make an excellent grain mixture. This grain when fed with plenty of fine clover hay makes an ideal supplement to skim milk in balancing the ration.

Calves should be allowed all the grain that they will eat until they consume 3 pounds a day; from this point the feeder should use his judgment as to whether an increase is justified.

The calf, from the time it is two weeks of age, should always have access to plenty of clean, pure water.

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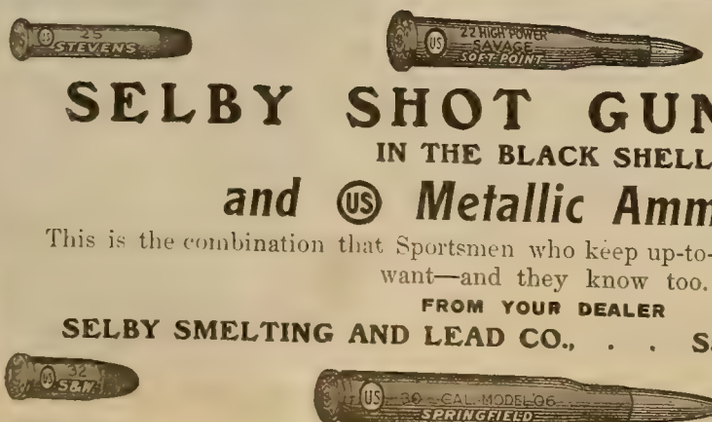
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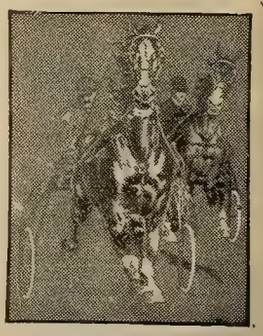
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A CHAMPION FOR WILBUR LOU (3) 2:10¼.

Hemet Stock Farm, while it has not had a very successful year with its aged campaigners, has had its fair share of the season's dividends in the good hard cash earned by Allie Lou (3) 2:12½, while through the sterling performances of the coast's new champion two-year-old trotter, Natalday (2) 2:13½, much honor has accrued to the name of the Farm's premier sire, Wilbur Lou, one-time champion yearling trotting stallion and winner of two of the hardest fought three-year-old events that have ever been raced in this section. Mr. Whittier entertained quite a party at Pleasanton last Saturday, composed largely of members of the immediate families of the Whittiers and Dobles, and it was hard to tell just where most of their enthusiasm centered—on Allie Lou or Natalday. To have been in any way closely connected with the production and development of either would be a credit to a breeder in any section, as they are of the kind that would have held their own well this season in any part of the country.

Natalday is one of the first crop of Wilbur Lou foals and was bred by Henry Delaney, Ventura's best known horseman. At about this time, Woodland Stock Farm was assembling the famous band of matrons which has just been dispersed, and before Ella J. was delivered of her foal she had passed to Mr. Considine's ownership. At an early age the foal passed into the hands of S. Christenson, of this city, whose property he yet remains and who has also recently acquired his dam. In the pasture the youngster held his own with the Woodland babies, and as soon as he was broken by Colonel Jim Thompson of Sacramento began showing a natural inclination to trot. The Colonel gave him his early education, imparting to him the best of manners and mouths, keeping him in charge until late last spring. The colt was entered in the juvenile stake at the June meeting of the P.-P. I. E., and as Mr. Thompson had nothing else to race here he was brought up and turned over to the noted eastern reinsman, Alonzo McDonald, who drove him to third money over The Expense and Carleta. Mr. McDonald liked the youngster very much indeed and gave him a clean bill of health as one real good baby trotter.

Having no engagements until November, Natalday was taken to Pleasanton and brought along slowly during the summer, making little headway though not going especially wrong. He went back rather than forward, however, and when turned over to Millard Sanders some weeks ago was hardly up to a mile in 2:35. Millard, with the skill that has squared away many a former winner, straightened him out after a couple of weeks handling and began making a bit of speed with him. On Thursday, Nov. 11, over a track that was little less than a nightmare, Sanders drove him to a handy win in the State Fair futurity for two-year-olds, trotting the first heat in 2:32 and the second in 2:29½, making him the first futurity winner for his sire. Two days later, in one of the hardest fought two-year-old trots ever contested locally, he was twice second to E. R. Dunne's great filly, Virginia Humbug, in 2:16¾ and 2:18 in the Breeders' futurity. This race, trotted as it was under heavy handicaps, put the seal of genuine greatness on the money winners, and indeed upon every youngster contesting it, for no entry was beaten by more than two or three lengths in the final heat.

Then came the change to Pleasanton, where conditions in general are very much more conducive to equine welfare than were those existing at the exposition track, and there, after about a week, he trotted in time faster than that hung up by Virginia Humbug in her fastest heat. His work was sufficiently impressive to keep the MacKenzie crack, Anvilite, in the barn when race day rolled around, the wisdom of Mr. DeRyder's course being plainly shown when Sanders brought the brown fellow down in front in 2:13½ and 2:14, each heat better than the coast record. While kept good company throughout both miles by the The Bondsman filly Lulu B., he won both without serious menace and Mr. Sanders, after the race, expressed the opinion that he could have stepped at least one mile during the afternoon in 2:12.

The new baby champ is bred along most pleasing lines, coming from families from which he might justly be expected to inherit many qualities of greatness. His sire, Wilbur Lou, a champion and a futurity winner, is a six-year-old son of Kinney Lou 2:07¾, a racehorse of sterling merit, and Louise Carter (3) 2:25 by Chestnut Tom 2:17¼, the latter horse having been bred by the late Martin Carter with the expressed intention of securing an excellent sire of dams, his blood being an intensification of that of the families of George Wilkes, Nutwood and Director. Louise Carter on the maternal side also had an inheritance of wonderful richness, being out of the very great matron Ingar (dam of John A. McKerron 2:04½ and five others) by Director 2:17, Ingar's dam being Anna Titus by Echo 462, whose daughters produced four performers with records below 2:10.

With decent luck, Natalday as a three-year-old should put his dam among the select array of triple producers of 2:10 speed at the trot, as she is already the dam of Honey Healey 2:08¼ and San Felipe 2:09¼, in addition to the pacer Emma C. 2:22¼. Ella J., while possessed of no record, is a full sister to that good "gray ghost" pacer of California history, Waldo J. 2:09, and a half sister to Silver Dick 2:09¼, also of the gray ghost variety, being out of Miss Taylor, a daughter of that good sire of dams, A. W. Richmond. Ella J.'s sire, Bob Mason 2:27¼, presents in his pedigree a sturdy intermingling of the blood of Hambletonian 10 and Williamson's Belmont, and her grandam was a daughter of the old thirty-mile champion, General Taylor.

Our notion of the matter is that Natalday has a right to be a trotter, and we wish ourselves no harder luck than that we have the pleasure of "reviewing" many more Wilbur Lou youngsters of the same general stripe.

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There was a time when California trotters went to the eastern sale rings in several-car consignments and were snapped up eagerly at topmost prices, but since the passing of the famous farms of a day gone by the bulk of our horses that have gone across the divide to new homes in the east have found their new owners through private sale. A few scattering ones have been offered at some of the larger vendues of recent years, but until this month we have had no pretentious representation at the eastern markets in the way of large individual consignments. When the Chicago Horse Sale opens next Saturday, however, there will be a bunch of Californians there of the genuine brand of "horses as is horses," and some of them are going to be very much in demand.

The horse from the west who has been most in the public eye during the present season is none other than Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, Woodland Stock Farm's premier, Mr. J. W. Considine having but recently announced his intention of sending the champion sire of yearling trotters to the sale ring. Never until recent years given any sort of a show, this great son of Dexter Prince has demonstrated most emphatically the qualities of sirehood that are truly his. Overshadowed in the estimation of a former owner by a horse really much his inferior as proven by subsequent events, Prince Ansel's "day" never dawned until the best years of his life had been put behind him. Not until this season was a yearling by him trained with the idea of taking a yearling record. Seven of them were sent last winter to Hunter Moody at Lexington, and of this seven, three are "in the list"—every one a champion. Consider this unrivaled showing, and then endeavor to estimate the value of Prince Ansel to a breeder who has a band of high class, speed producing matrons! "It can't be did," to put it plainly, for one foal of one crop of foals may be a champion, a great money earner, a great seller. Here are three of the band foaled in $610; Anselila (1) 2:17½, world's champion yearling ting gelding, sold for $535; Verbena Ansel (1) 2:22 (world's record of 2:26 on a halfmile track), sold for $610; Anselila ,1) 2:17½, world's champion yearling trotting filly, sold for $5,000. The value of such a sire cannot be determined at this moment in dollars and cents, and he is in the pink of condition and of unimpaired potency and vitality. There is no farm in America which he would not grace.

While the Woodland consignment is small and select, southern California is sending a representation that is large and select, recruited by the well known Los Angeles horseman, Robert A. Smith. On his way home from the exposition "Bob" stopped at Fresno and Tulare and secured the pick of the stables of J. W. Zibbell and I. M. Lipson, while on his arrival at Los Angeles he found that Will Durfee's lieutenants had gotten together a band of thirty-four to make the trip in the name of that most successful California trainer. William sends so many and such a well balanced lot in quality that it is a bit hard to "top" the bunch, and as the patrons of the Chicago sale are generally of the "wise kind" there are going to be several ready bidders on quite a number of the band, while none are apt to prove draggy sellers.

In point of developed speed the pacer San Jacinto 2:05¼ and the trotter Sargo 2:07¼ are the king pins, and each should cause some hot bidding. The former wears no hobbles, is eligible to the 2:07 class, has raced around 2:06 this season on the bull rings and has made a couple of trips in 2:03½ over the long route on mile tracks, while Sargo, eligible to the 2:16 class, looks very like a stake trotter. Will regards him very highly, has turned down a fat offer for him locally, and sends him merely because he already has a trio of good ones for next season's stakes in Virginia Barnette, Esperanza and The Lark. Carl, the black brother to Esperanza that has been second or third in each one of the coast's three-year-old trots this season, goes to make a good horse for some man, as does Old Folks 2:11¾, a gelded son of the great Del Coronado who has shown his ability to race around 2:10, while eligible to a much slower class. Another pair of nice young trotters are Carleta (2) 2:20¾ and Carlschen (2) 2:23, both by Carlokin 2:07½, the former out of Alexandria by Bon Voyage 2:08, and the latter out of the great broodmare Bonnie Ailsie 2:08¼ (dam of Contention B. (3) 2:08¼, etc.) by Faustino 2:12½. They are not only bred right but are right all around.

Miss Quealey (2) 2:26¾, the full sister to Manrico (3) 2:07¼, will be wanted by several parties, and is well worth owning. Last spring she trotted in 2:12¾ in May, with fractional distances at a 2:04 shot, but was affected by the change to the moist climate of the exposition course and was drawn from all her engagements. She is better than a 2:10 trotter and destined to become a great matron. Another couple of the championship family kind go along in Phyllis Barnette, a four-year-old sister to Don Pronto 2:02¼, sound, free-legged, with a three-year-old trial of 2:14, and the two-year-old Frank Berry by Manrico (2) 2:07¼ and out of the grand old trotter Zephyr 2:07¼ (dam of Virginia Barnette (3) 2:08¼) by Zombro 2:11. These are the kind that "make your mouth water," and the consignment is rounded out by brood mares of excellence by such famous sires as McKinney 2:11¼, Del Coronado 2:09½ and Zolock 2:05¼, as well as a grand array of younger things by Carlokin 2:07½, Copa de Oro 2:01, Siliko (3) 2:11¼ and Manrico (3) 2:07¼.

The consignment, personally conducted by Bob Smith, leaves Los Angeles on next Tuesday, and will form a very important part of the offerings at Chicago. Here's hoping they go into good hands at good prices.

RAYO DE ORO (3) 2:07¼.

Unless we have slipped a cog somewhere and some of those darned eastern folks have put through a three-year-old gelding of the wiggler variety whose performance we have overlooked, the record of 2:07¼ obtained at Phoenix by Rayo de Oro stamps him as the champion three-year-old pacing gelding. We hope it does, anyway, as California can use all of these championships she can lay her hands upon, and Copa de Oro 2:01 has such a credit coming to him. He himself was "technicalitied" out of a record of 1:59 at Phoenix, his three-year-old son Contention B. was "hard-lucked" out of a championship over the same course in 1914, so that it would seem no more than "poetic justice" for the third member of the tribe to get away with his title, gained over the Phoenix track, in safety. Outside clocks caught the mile all the way from 2:07¼ to 2:06¾ and it was in a race, not a time performance.

Pipe Dreams of Profit

SECOND STORY OF THE "DISTRICT FAIRS AND THE TROTTER" SERIES

Last week, taking for our text the district fair and the trotter, we ventured upon some ideas of our own as to the desirability of subsidized district fairs over "legalized speculation" as a means of guaranteeing future prosperity and a measure of stability to the industry of breeding and racing light harness horses, closing that installment of the story with a brief review of the most encouraging situations existing at such California towns as Ferndale, Ventura, Santa Ana and Riverside, where successful fairs, with harness racing, were given during the "off season" which we have just gone through. We ask now that you consider the case of Fresno where, with harness racing as a main feature, the association had laid up a little surplus during recent years and where, this season, they "shot the works" on a grand carnival of sport—and death—in an effort to show all "old fogies" just how millions can be amassed by merely observing truly "modern methods" in a fair program. From a Fresno paper, of an issue just prior to carnival week, we take the following merely to show you what they were going to do:

Fresno District Fair Satisfies Modern Demand for Novelty.

Automobile Races, Fiesta de Oro and Rodeo Take Place of Old Time Horse Racing and Fancy Stock Shows.

When the Fresno District Fair drew away from all precedent, broke away from the tradition that horse races are the big attraction of modern fairs, and staked everything on three big leading events, it set a new standard. Never before has fair of the magnitude and standing of the Fresno fair adopted a truly modern program. Clinging to the theory that what interested people a generation ago should interest them still, has been discarded as out of date. A new era of amusement has begun.

Nowadays fancy stock and fast horses do not interest enough persons to make it possible to give a fair. The competition of automobile races and amusements of various kinds has made it necessary to adopt other means of interesting the public than those that proved successful in past years.

It is because of the alertness of the directors of the local fair and their continual adding of new features year after year that the phenomenal growth has been made. Last year the Fresno District Fair eclipsed the state fair in attendance. This year preparations are being made to entertain at least fifty per cent more than attended during the five days of the 1914 fair.

In entering on the new experiment of offering something entirely new as this year's attraction, the directors took into consideration that the two big expositions would prove formidable competitors unless something different than they had to offer could be made the headline attraction.

This has been accomplished in the Fiesta de Oro, which surpasses any other pageant ever given west of the Mississippi, in size of the production, number of times given and in interest and excitement.

The Rodeo, too, is on a scale never before attempted. Rodeo Boss Griffin is securing promises from participants in the riding and other contests that insure the greatest Rodeo ever given.

The list of automobile entries to be published in a few days has already received names that assure the best races ever given in the interior of California.

These races, too, are in a class to compete against the exposition as an attraction. They compare favorably in amount of prizes, $5,000 in cash, with those given at the Vanderbilt Cup race, and will have all of the entries the rules permit.

New attractions have been added from year to year, but it is believed that the right plan has at last been selected in making the main attractions few in number, but of securing only the best that are to be produced.

This is only the introductory portion of an extensive story dealing in detail with that Rodeo and the Fiesta de Oro, the whole thing occupying a goodly portion of a page, and surmounted by a multi-column head that could be seen easily at forty yards by an octogenarian who had just broken his specs. Elsewhere in the paper under a very modest heading some mention was made of the "legitimate" fair features which really meant something to the community, but which were, of course, too thoroughly antiquated and of too little moment to be accorded much serious consideration according to the "Fresno idea" which was prevalent at the moment. Throughout the fair the press handled it in similar fashion, paying scant heed to material things, and devoting column upon column to the "carnival" features, the word "carnival" being much more fittingly applied to the event than the staid, old-fashioned phrase "district fair."

Under these conditions the Fresno folks, to revert to the vernacular of the street, "pulled off a hot one." They had crowds day and night and they gave 'em a run for their money in thrills, smashing up a few riders more or less, crippling one or two horses so that they had to be killed, and winding up with a grand automobile hippodrome performance in which two men—fortunately competitors and not spectators—were killed. It was a grand little week, and here is what the paper of the succeeding Monday had to say about it:

Success of Fair Means Improvements.

Dust and Barrenness to Be Done Away With; County Park to Be Beauty Spot.

More beautiful fair grounds will be the result of the splendid financial success of the Fresno District Fair last week.

The fair association hopes to have enough money left after paying all expenses for extensive improvements on the grounds. These improvements will include sidewalks, lawns, flowers and all other things that go to make a beautiful park.

"We hope to make a county park out of it," said C. G. Eberhart this noon. No definite plans have been decided upon.

The fair association took in so much money last week that the officials were unable to count it. C. D. Wentworth, in charge of receipts, is busy today counting money in the banks of Fresno, deposited in safety deposit boxes, twice a day during fair week. No figures on gate receipts and on attendance will be available until these deposits have been counted and totals compiled.

The total attendance is estimated at 75,000 for the week.

The total gate receipts are expected to pay all expenses and leave a sum for improvements for next year. Fair officials are much pleased with the phenomenal success of the fair.

"The only regret we have is the death of the two racers," said Mr. Eberhart.

Now you may have observed that these glowing reports, these gorgeous promises and these vain but very modest regrets were expressed before the counting of the money had become an accomplished fact. The promoters had simply made up their minds that their "modern methods" were absolutely bound to return a large profit and they entertained these ideas just as long as possible. They were nice ideas—ideas of a profit are almost always nice ideas, especially if said profit is obtained by such a slight expenditure as the snuffing out of two human lives. However, you know what a certain Scotchman—not Magnus Flaws or John A. McKerron—said about the "best laid plans o' mice and men," and that proved to be Fresno's fix. Those profits not merely sidestepped and went "agley" but they vanished entirely at the conclusion of the official count of the receipts. The exact figures are not at our disposal, but on the reports of such good authorities as M. L. Woy, Frank Malcolm, Harry Nelson and a few other Fresnans with whom we have had recent talks concerning the matter the deficit faced by the promoters is in excess of five thousand dollars. In the face of these returns it is possible that the "regrets" over the deaths of the benzine speed demons is more pronounced. However, harness racing built up a balance for the Fresno folks before this following after strange gods commenced; properly handled they will do so again, so that Fresno's fairground may yet have those walks and lawns and other improvements which failed to be made possible through the "exceptional financial success" of this season's rodeo, its fiesta, and its double funeral.

The event of 1915 at Fresno brings up the question as to the features which may properly be classified as belonging to a district fair, which it purported to be. In the event of the enactment of legislation extending state aid of a financial character to district fairs, Fresno is right in line for an appropriation. However, in the face of the disparaging opinion expressed of the importance of livestock and agricultural products as features of the fair, her people are not doing much to encourage the state to help them. California will not be quick to subsidize amusement promotions, but she will go down into her pocket to aid fairs whose foremost aims are the improvement of the products of her people and her farms. These purposes must be paramount to insure any long-continued success, with purely entertaining or amusing projects subordinated thereto.

Do not think for a moment that we disparage the importance of entertainment and amusement at fairs, for we do not. They must play their part, and a very important part, but they must not usurp the domination of the fair and its policy, or the fair becomes not a fair but a festival. The successful fair is the one in which the various "ingredients" are so skilfully mixed as to form a harmonious whole. Your successful fair must appeal without prejudice to all the people, and the Lord in a wise moment, and that this world might not become a place of too much monotony, made all sorts and conditions of people—seekers of knowledge, seekers of inspiration, seekers of entertainment, and seekers of amusement, and of these there can be no question as to which we are most indebted and to which is due the greatest consideration in the preparation of the program of any event which is to exert an appeal to the people.

In the complexities of present day civilization we have great organizations always at work whose sole objects are to cater to the inclinations and wants of our people as roughly classed above. For many weeks or months at a time each and every one of us sticks pretty well to his or her "business of life," his or her particular sphere. Fortunately, the most pedantic seeker of knowledge has moments when he "unbends" to a point where he appreciates a bit of relaxation; the "inspired" soul has its periods of leaning to the practical; the poor spirits whose greatest aim in life is to be entertained or amused are not totally devoid of the ability to appreciate the more serious workings of the world and its people, and it is to cater to all these moods at one swoop that we have the fair, be it county, district, state, national or worldwide in its scope.

To be truly successful, truly representative, the fair must not be wholly educational, nor wholly artistic, nor wholly entertaining nor wholly amusing, but it must embrace all these attributes at once, in a well balanced proportion. This is the fair which justifies subsidization by the state, and is the one which will endure and pay a profit.

A third installment, dealing more particularly with ways and means of conducting the coming campaign for the restoration of the district or county fair, will be forthcoming in an early issue.

GENERAL WATTS (3) 2:06¾, IN 1915.

According to unofficial reports the phenomenal young sire, General Watts (3) 2:06¾, has with the close of the 1915 season sixty-four performers in the standard record list, which makes him the leading sire of his age—eleven years. Of this number eighteen are new performers of the year, making him one of the leading progenitors of the season. The late performances of Miss Perfection, his great four-year-old daughter, at the San Francisco meetings stamps her as one of the best of the age that the season produced, and draws fresh attention to the remarkable racing quality that this great young horse is siring. It was Miss Perfection that gave Peter Scott a determined battle in the $20,000 trot at Frisco, and it was only after a desperate fight that Murphy's horse stood off the filly and landed first money. At the closing of the coast meeting it was this same filly who made her victory over Mirthful an impressive one and demonstrated that her form of the $20,000 race was not that of a single day, but rather that of a consistent and high class performer. The performance of General Yorke, the two-year-old son of General Watts at Lexington, when he trotted to a record of 2:11½, too, was a brilliant performance that has been outshone by very few of his age.

These and others of the Watts tribe show outstanding among the juvenile performances that have gone to make up the history of 1915. That the Watts tribe are speedy and will race consistently is a conceded fact, and the only man to deny their great qualities is the one who has been unable to get one, and in his ill-fortune seeks to salve his disappointment with a discount of their admitted capabilities.—Western Horseman.

George Strate was busy at Pleasanton Saturday showing visitors the recently arrived English-bred members of the Wingfield stables while making final preparations for shipping about fifteen head of his furthest advanced pupils to New Orleans. Honeywood, the four-year-old son of Polymelus—Honey Bird, was the principal attraction, and he, with other members of the stable, will remain at Pleasanton until considerably later in the season. The string taken to New Orleans by Strate was in the pink of condition, and it will take a mighty hard run of luck to keep the gold and silver of the Nevada Stock Farm from being well up in the racing frequently.

Natalday Cuts Record for Age

PLEASANTON FUTURITIES PROVIDE EXCELLENT SPORT

At a cost to himself of between three thousand and thirty-five hundred dollars, that good sportsman Rodney MacKenzie "made good" to his horsemen friends last Saturday by racing off the three-year-old divisions of the Pleasanton Futurity Number One and the two-year-old divisions of Futurity Number Two, the total amount hung up for the four events reaching the tidy sum of seventy-five hundred dollars. Ever since the events closed their sponsor has faced a certain loss on them which he accepted smilingly, and this year he was deprived even of any chance to get a good gate by racing them at a regular fair or race meeting, Alameda county following the pattern of California fairs in general and calling off her annual event that the exposition might have the right of way. Neither Mr. MacKenzie nor Superintendent Charley DeRyder had any hope that a one day card late in November would attract a crowd of any sort and they were in no way "disappointed" in this respect, the paying guests being only a handful. The "regulars" and owners and their families turned out in excellent shope, passing the gates unchallenged, and what the crowd lacked in numbers it made up in quality and appreciation, being practically a professional gathering which was amply able to recognize clever teaming and quick to applaud it. Everybody knew everybody else and the event had all the characteristics of a family reunion or a picnic, good natured raillery, outspoken congratulations and "brotherly" criticism being rife throughout the afternoon.

The three-year-old trot was the first race on the card, and with only Byron, Carl and Allie Lou to face the starter it was conceded beforehand to the Hemet Stock Farm filly, piloted by Charley DeRyder. Carl, who has been an unlucky little fellow all year, was affected with a touch of sickness a few days ago and warmed up lame in front, a new thing for him. Byron drew the pole but Allie Lou trotted to the lead early on the turn, only to make one of her very rare breaks and be passed by Carl, who opened up quite a little lead into the back stretch. Allie settled fairly handily and set sail for the black fellow in front and closed up much of her lost ground before reaching the half, though she did not succeed in overhauling the Carlokin colt until reaching the distance, from which point she drew away from him to win comfortably, the time, 2:12½, being a new mark for her by a fraction of a second. Carl corded after this heat but finished the race gamely, outtrotting Byron though unable to handle Allie Lou, who goes into winter quarters with a record of having won every three-year-old event in which she started.

The two-year-old trot attracted a great deal of interest and was a grand little horse race. The field was made up very largely of the same babies that furnished such good competition for each other in the Breeders' futurity at the exposition on closing day, the winner on that occasion, Virginia Humbug, not being among those present. The spectators were much in hope that they would get to see R. J. MacKenzie's good colt Anvilite in action, but Boss DeRyder, after sizing things up pretty carefully, decided that he was yet a bit short on work after his summer's sickness to go the sort of a race that would be necessary if he finished anywhere near the top of the summary, so did not start him. There were eight nice two-year-olds left, however, and all in the world they did was to go out and smash Lottie Ansel's state record all to bits, twice in a row. The daughter of Prince Ansel set the mark at 2:14¼ in 1912 at Stockton, but Natalday, closely pressed by plenty of company, went the route at Pleasanton in 2:13½ and came back in 2:14, the total time of the two heats being three and a half seconds faster than the time of Lottie's race.

Don de Lopez drew the pole but was unlucky in being just a bit back when the word was given after a few ragged scores, also making an early break. Natalday, from the outside, went into the lead around the turn, Lulu B. and Miss Axworthy Dillon staying right with him, with The Expense fourth a few lengths back and the others somewhat strung out behind her. Hermes broke on the back stretch and the four leaders raced home in the same position they had occupied since passing the quarter pole, the crowd giving the drivers and their young trotters a hearty welcome when they came down in the new record time. Sanders brought the field down fast for a few scores in the second heat, and after several unsuccessful trips Starter Wright designated Miss Axworthy Dillon as guide horse, a still worse score resulting. Sanders drew a caution from the stand and the next time they were sent away, the starter, in endeavoring to talk Sanders back where he belonged, overlooking Hermes, who was doing the dippy dip when the music started. In spite of Mr. Wright's efforts Sanders had the edge over the field at the start, and as in the first heat raced to the front with Lulu B., Miss Axworthy Dillon and The Expense his closest companions, the latter breaking on the back stretch but settling and coming on to regain her old position before the leaders straightened away for home. Lulu B. challenged gamely in the home stretch but couldn't quite reach Natalday's nose, while Spencer brought The Expense with a brush that sent Charley DeRyder to the bat to bring Miss Axworthy Dillon in third. The whole bunch beat the flag each heat, and the youngsters that finished behind the money were by no means devoid of considerable class. Save for Sanders' tactics in scoring, which took a certain amount of heart out of all the starters, including his own, the second heat would in all probability have been as fast, or faster, than the first. As it was, it stands as the best two-year-old trot ever contested on the Pacific coast.

Warm as was the junior trot, the baby pacers went 'em one better in the way of providing a real hot contest, though by way of comparison the time hung out was not quite so fast, the state record not being seriously endangered at any time. As a contest, however, the pace was right there with the goods and it is a toss-up as to which of the three heat-winners would have "copped" had not the conditions limited the event to three trips. Fiesta Lou was not at her best, Surety had landed at home from his exposition trip a very sick colt, and all had been more or less affected by their stay here at Pneumonia Park, but four of them, and particularly three of that four, were most equally matched under all the existing conditions. Fiesta Lou was awarded the pole and the field went away in nice shape on about the fourth score, Verna McKinney leaving her feet in the first eighth and Rico going to the front with Surety lapped up on him, Fiesta Lou third, Julia M. fourth and Verna bringing up the rear. Down the back stretch Surety's nose showed in front, while around the turn he gained a lead of over a length. Coming into the stretch Durfee stepped on the throttle and the Manrico colt responded well, while Surety came gamely for McDonald. The proverbial cranberry merchant had no more business to attend to than both Al and William Gee as they hie-boyed through the stretch, Rico winning by no more than a fair neck, Julia M. coming into third place and Verna McKinney overhauling Fiesta Lou for fourth position.

For the second heat, Surety went to the front with Verna lapping him and Rico in his trail, the field being nicely bunched at the half. Around the turn Fiesta Lou fell back a trifle, the others straightening for the wire well together, Julia M. being the worst off of the four when the sprint began. Verna McKinney and Rico drew away a bit and both drivers went to work with a will, racing the last few rods with wheels almost brushing, Verna having the best of things by a small margin. Allen with Julia M. tried to come through in the middle of the track but found a three strand fence built in front of him so took squarely over to the pole near the distance and was coming very fast when his chances were spoiled by the filly leaving her feet.

The third heat resulted in one more turnover of the dope before the season of 1915 could come to a close. Verna set the pace this time and, with Fiesta Lou drawn, led Rico, Surety and Julia M. into the stretch in the order named, Chadbourne swinging out a ways from the pole as he come around. The bunch was stepping along handily and Allen wanted to come through between Verna and the fence, finding the hole too small when he got closer up to it. Rico was well out in the track, and as a last resort Allen took the El Angelo lass out sharply into second position and the game baby sprinted down between Verna and Rico to win from the latter in fine shape, Verna breaking a few yards from the wire. Had any racing luck favored her the Los Banos girl wouldn't have done a thing but won the race, to all appearances, and was the freshest of the delegation had the event been fought to a finish. Under the conditions of the stake the third heat ended it, Rico with a first and two seconds being placed first, Julia M. second, Verna McKinney third and Surety fourth.

The three-year-old pace was a two horse affair between Bondalean and Rayo de Oro, the other starters, Sheldon B. and The Bondholder, finishing on the wrong side of Sandy Smith the first time out, this being the ungentlemanly Mr. Smith's only opportunity of the day to indulge in his favorite pastime of waving his red rag in somebody's face. The owners of the distanced horses needn't feel bad about it, though, for as one of the bystanders remarked, "All they had to beat was one world's champion and another horse that can beat him," Rayo de Oro and Bondalean being of the kind that don't run in schools. As in their former meeting, the more rugged son of The Bondsman had just enough advantage over the lighter built Copa de Oro gelding to win safely, though his lead at the wire in the second heat was purely of the eyelash order, the pair racing head on for the last few lengths. They are both game,, both good headed, and both fit to race in any company. Bondalean, by shutting out all but Rayo de Oro, was awarded first, third and fourth money, so owner Charley Silva found the day a very pleasant one, thank you.

No more enjoyable afternoon's sport has been staged in California for many a long day. Colt races are more interesting than any other kind when the entrants are as well matched as were most of those taking part in Saturday's events, and the day was made to order. A sharp frost Friday night gave the air plenty of snap and tingle during the early morning hours but the sun shone bright and warm all day and there was no wind. The track was in excellent condition—trust Charley DeRyder and his trusty lieutenant, Monte, for that—and many of those present made the trip from bay points as well as from Sacramento and other valley towns by auto, the Pleasanton plant being reached from all sides by most excellent highways. Many arrived early, in time for lunch and a trip around the barns and paddocks, and every person present went home well pleased with his or her trip, and expressing appreciation of the generosity and sportsmanship of the gentleman who made their enjoyment possible. Mr. MacKenzie was not present, being some thousands of miles away, but his ears must have reddened a trifle, if there is any truth in an old saying, over the many complimentary expressions concerning his horses, his plant, and himself.

Will Higginbottom had been expected to do the starting, but was confined to his home by another attack of the inflammatory rheumatism which has beset him more or less of late, Frank E. Wright of Sacramento stepping in and filling the office most acceptably. The judges were A. W. Longley of Oakland, C. W. Paine of Sacramento and George Lowery of San Francisco; M. C. Delano of Sacramento, T. D. Sexton of Oakland and Joe Twohig of Warm Springs did the timing; Bert Bringier of Pleasanton handled the clerical work and Sandy Smith manipulated the flagman's banner. The summary:

Pleasanton, Cal., Saturday, Nov. 27.—Pleasanton Futurity, three-year-old trotters, purse $3500:

Allie Lou, br f by Kinney Lou 2:07¾—Lady Zombro 2:24¼ by Zombro 2:11.....(DeRyder)	1	1	1
Carl, bl c by Carlokin 2:07½—My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½.....(C. A. Durfee)	2	2	2
Byron, bl c by Tom Moko—Rita H. 2:12½ by McKinney 2:11¼ .....(W. G. Durfee)	3	3	3

Time—:33¼, 1:07, 1:39¼, 2:12½
:33½, 1:05¾, 1:38¼, 2:13¾
:33, 1:06¾, 1:39½, 2:13¾

Distribution of purse—Allie Lou $1750, Carl $875, Byron $525.

Pleasanton Futurity, two-year-old trotters, purse $1500:

Natalday, b c by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼—Ella J. by Bob Mason 2:27¼ .....(Sanders)	1	1	
Lulu B., b f by The Bondsman—Loma B. by Stam B. 2:11¼ .....(Clark)	2	2	
Miss Axworthy Dillon, b f by Axworthy 2:15½—Cleo Dillon 2:13¾ by Sidney Dillon...(C. L. DeRyder)	3	3	
The Expense, br f by The Proof 2:10¾—Nusta by Nushagak .....(Spencer)	4	4	
Don de Lopez, bl c by Kinney Lou 2:07¾—Eradiate by Geo. W. McKinney 2:14½.....(Blackwell)	6	5	
Hermes, br c by Carlokin 2:07½—Miss Quealey 2:26¾ by Moko .....(Durfee)	5	7	
Miss Bond, b f by The Bondsman—Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon .....(W. C. DeRyder)	7	6	
Alesandro, b g by Barney Barnato 2:19½—Ramona by Prince Robert .....(Alvord)	8	8	

Time—:33¼, 1:07¼, 1:39¼, 2:13½

:34 , 1:07¾, 1:40 , 2:14

Distribution of purse—Natalday $750, Lulu B. $375, Miss Axworthy Dillon $225. The Expense $150.

Pleasanton Futurity, two-year-old pacers, purse $1000; Rico, ch c by Manrico (3) 2:07¼—Pavlowa B. by Petigru 2:10½ .....(Durfee) 1 2 2
Julia M., b f by El Angelo—Record Searcher by Searchlight 2:03¼ .....(Allen) 3 3 1
Verna McKinney b f by Vernon McKinney 2:01½—Ramona by Demonio 2:11¼ (Chadbourne) 4 1 3
Surety, b c by The Bondsman—Eva H by Washington McKinney 2:17½.....(McDonald) 2 4 4
Fiesta Lou, b f by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼—Fiesta Queen 2:22½ by On Stanley 2:17½ (Blackwell) 5 5 dr

Time—:33½, 1:07 , 1:38 , 2:12½
:33½, 1:07¾, 1:40 , 2:13
:33¾, 1:07 , 1:37 , 2:13¾

Distribution of purse—Rico $500, Julia M. $250, Verna McKinney $150, Surety $100.

Pleasanton Futurity, three-year-old pacers, purse $1500:
Bondalean, b c by The Bondsman—Katalina 2:11¼ by Tom Smith 2:13¼ .....(Daniels) 1 1 1
Rayo de Oro, ch g by Copa de Oro 2:01—Easter D. (2) 2:13½ by Diablo 2:09½.....(Durfee) 2 2 2
Sheldon B., b g by Barney Barnato 2:19½—Ramona by Prince Robert ..... Alvord) ds
Bondholder, b c by The Bondsman—Corinne Sidmore by Sidmoor 2:17¾.....(Allen) ds

Time—:33¾, 1:07 , 1:38 , 2:10
:33¾, 1:07 , 1:37 , 2:09½
:33¾, 1:07 , 1:38 , 2:10½

Distribution of purse—Bondalean $1125, Rayo de Oro $375.

REGISTERING TROTTERS AS A SAFEGUARD TO IDENTIFICATION.

We have no figures on the total sums of money offered for competition during the racing season by the active associations, but when one considers that the ten Grand Circuit members distribute in the neighborhood of a half-million dollars and, furthermore, that there were about fourteen hundred meetings of various classes and degrees held in the United States and Canada during 1915, it is certain that the aggregate will run into millions. This is purse money alone and does not take any account of the salaries of trainers and care-takers, entrance fees, expenses of all sorts that are incurred by the associations in distributing the purse moneys, and those of the owners and drivers in competing therefor. Purse money combined with the additional sums alluded to that are spent in the annual racing season runs into a total so large that if it were known would seem almost unbelievable.

That such is the case speaks volumes for the interest in the harness horse and stamps it as a business of such magnitude that it should in all respects be conducted by the most up-to-date and progressive methods.

Some associations do this and the business methods of their meetings are such as would meet with the approval of the most expert accountants, yet by far the greater number muddle through in any old fashion rather than follow a course that good business sense would adopt.

There is absolutely no justification for such methods but we can easily detect reasons therefor, although said reasons are not sound ones, but, unfortunately, these reasons are furnished by the parent associations and what can be expected of the affiliated members if the central powers fall short.

The different individual racing associations pay their membership fees to the particular governing body they may select and in return therefor are assured that they may conduct legal meetings, will have assistance in collecting unpaid entrance fees, and are furnished copies of the code of racing rules that will determine, if duly followed, how the advertised purses shall be distributed. These subjects are in a way thoroughly covered and, within the limits announced, the individual association is actively supported by the central body, but when we look at the very foundation stone of successful racing, i. e., the designation of the qualified contestants, we find such a complete failure to handle the situation as to almost render null the many good and necessary regulations of the governing bodies.

From our view point, the basic principle that determines the efficiency of governing bodies such as the National and American Trotting Associations should be a plain and simple enunciation of the requirements of the horses that shall be permitted to compete over the tracks of the individual associations.

At present we have a multitude of rules and regulations aiming at such an end but the object sought to be accomplished is far from fulfilled and, we submit, largely so because the superstructure has been reared without any foundation.

It is true that laws exist requiring an owner or trainer to name his prospective entrant, give breeding, color, age and sex, but there regulation stops and no further description or identification is demanded until a suspicion arises that the horse may be a ringer. In the absence of such a contingency, the owner or agent writes down "Tom Jones, b. g. by Mischance or Accident" and the would-be race horse is started on his career.

The secretary who receives the entry is often so busy that he does not see the horse in question before he starts or possibly during the progress of the race; the clerk of the course does not appear until the racing actually starts and then his time is taken up in recording the finishes, making his entries in the Judges' Book and dividing the money according to the final result of the race; while the Board of Judges are in the majority of instances merely ornamental and not active, with the general result that everything goes in the absence of a protest that focuses attention upon some starter or starters, and, consequently with a whoop and hurrah, in a happy-go-lucky fashion, the winners of money are announced and the distribution is made.

The superior speed and racing manners displayed by a supposedly green horse occasionally causes a protest after the said campaigner has annexed a portion of the moneys in several races and an inquiry as to eligibility is started. When this contingency arises, the parent bodies are active and if there is any fraud, the perpetrators are speedily rounded up and punishment is certain, but this method always has reminded us of the old adage, "Locking the stable after the horse is gone," and in very few instances is it possible to compel restitution of the ill-gotten gains. Furthermore, the final conviction of a ringer is often only secured after the expenditure of a great deal of money and time.

The above bears directly only upon the case of the guilty in intent, but there are also many cases of ringing that actually occur through the fact that innocent individuals are sold horses under false representations as to their eligibility and, assuming such statements to be true and acting upon them, often find themselves convicted of racing horses illegally. In both of these cases, whether fraud is intended with guilty knowledge or occurs innocently through relying upon false statements at time of purchase, the effect is the same, and the number of such instances that are continually arising clearly shows to us the necessity of a positive identification of a starter before he or she shall be permitted to enter into competition at any race meeting.

We have not formulated any pet theory of our own that we desire to have adopted nor have we any personal ax to grind, but we do not hesitate to state emphatically that both the National and American Trotting Associations should, at their coming congresses, take all necessary steps to compel a complete identification of all horses before they shall be permitted to start.

At present all of the purses, as before stated, are open to competition merely upon the naming of the prospective starters and the payment of entry fees, but we consider that the second step in order and not the first.

The first step, in our opinion, should compel each and every owner of a horse that he desires to start in active competition to file with the Register Association a complete description of his prospective performers and request of said association a permit to enable him to race.

This application should set forth the full breeding, age, color and sex of the individual horse and, furthermore should describe as far as possible all of the peculiar markings that may appear on said animal to the minutest degree. Some years ago, as we know from personal experience, the United States government used a blank for purchasing horses that had a profile view of a horse and the practice was to mark thereon at the proper place each scar, blemish, if any, and each distinctive thing that would enable it to be distinguished from all others of its kind. Today many of the cattle registration societies use a similar blank and the effect is that thereby we have visualized before us a representation of the animal in question in such a satisfactory manner that, from such a document, identification is easier established than from a photograph.

Such blanks could be provided by the Register Association and furnished to the secretaries of the racing associations, with the requirement that upon the attempt to start a horse for the first time, the owner or agent should fill out the said application, and request the registration thereof, as a qualified entrant at all of the meetings to be held under ths auspices of the National and American Trotting Associations.

Upon receipt of such an application, accompanied by the requisite fee, which should not be, we take it, in excess of two dollars, the secretary shall be required to give said owner or agent a receipt therefor and permit said horse to start, and immediately forward the application to the Register Association. That association could at once, upon receipt of said application, properly made out, issue a certificate to the owner, and the prospective campaigner will thereby become sufficiently identified to qualify it for competition.

Once registered, the horse in question will be upon the records of the association with such a complete description that the possibilities of ringing will be reduced from that fact alone, and all future purchasers of horses reported to have raced will be able to ask for and demand the said racing permit or certificate of racing registration, before consummating their purchase, thereby greatly lessening the possibilities of innocent vendees suffering through misrepresentation.

Furthermore, the owner of a horse who has in this manner secured his identification, will thereby assure himself from suffering because of ill-advised protests and demands for identification, since such certificate, produced upon demand, would be regarded as casting the burden of proof upon the protestant and it would be up to such parties to establish their objections by a preponderance of evidence before the prima facie proof of the certificate would be overcome to the extent that the owner would be obliged to produce parol evidence in support thereof.

The racing associations could at all times, in cases of doubt, ask for the production of this certificate and thereby the secretaries would be relieved from any labor in tracing identity, as in this event also the certificate would of itself establish a prima facie case of eligibility, leaving the labor of contesting this presumption to the filer of the protest.

In addition, incalculable good would result to the breeders as the knowledge that definite information must be furnished as to a horse's pedigree would put all owners upon their guard to secure a true statement of blood lines so that the same might be entered upon the original application for racing registration.

In this manner we could expect to see the elimination of many of the present uncertainties as to the breeding of a performer, as the filing of an application for racing permit would furnish all necessary data to the Register Association and, in the event that the horse in question enters the standard list, his proper sire and dam could be duly credited.

All of the advantages that we have cited above will enure to the benefit of the local racing associations, the racing owners, the breeders of sire and dam, and the Register Association, but there is still an additional benefit that would be derived from such legislation. That would be the fact that the turf papers would also be assured of the breeding of the new performers and would thereby be enabled to report race meetings full and complete in all particulars without being compelled to insert after the name of a performer the words unknown or breeding untraced.

This idea, as we announced before, is not a new one and, during the Columbus Grand Circuit meeting, we learned that Mr. John C. Welty of Canton, Ohio, the gentleman who is commonly reported as the successor of Major P. P. Johnson in the presidency of the National Trotting Association, is unqualifiedly in support of such a measure.

Mr. Welty has been identified with the National Trotting Association for years and his prominence in the councils of that body and his known exertions for all measures tending to better and improve the racing system, renders his views worthy of the utmost attention, hence we welcome his disinterested support of this measure and we most earnestly ask his colleagues and the directing members of the American Trotting Association to seriously consider the proposition that we advance.

There is nothing behind the movement except good for the harness horse industry; no persons nor influences have any reason for advancing the idea from selfish motives; the general good resulting therefrom will in all respects be for the advancement of the sport we love.—American Sportsman.

SAN JOSE AND WOODLAND.

After having tried for some weeks to find a lessee for the San Jose Driving Park without success, S. C. Campbell in a conversation with friends Saturday at Pleasanton, announced his intention of advertising at once for bids for the clearing of the grounds of buildings and grading out the track preparatory to putting the entire tract back into cultivation. Mr. Campbell expressed regret at the necessity of the course, and also stated that had he himself constructed the track and stables he would feel in duty bound to maintain them as they are, believing that some day they will be valuable. However, as the ground was leased to outside parties and made into a racing plant, the lessees failing to make good, he feels it his only course under the circumstances to throw it back into cultivation, the estate looking to him to make it produce some reasonable revenue.

The San Jose track just as it stands is one of the best all-year-round training tracks in the west, and its passing will be a matter of much regret to horsemen. Should there be anyone desirous of taking it over and saving it as it is prompt action is absolutely essential, as Mr. Campbell's mind was all framed up for "making or breaking" without further delay.

To offset this news, unwelcome as it is, horsemen will be pleased to learn that negotiations are well under way for the purchase of the Woodland Stock Farm plant by the supervisors of Yolo county, the intention being to transform it into a fairground for the staging of an annual event, either "district" or "county" in nature. This course is so plainly a proper one for Yolo county to pursue that the announcement of the accomplishment of the purchase will be hailed with much pleasure and satisfaction. Mr. Considine stated during the week that he had every reason to believe that the supervisors would accept the proposition made them, which was based on a property value under the present market price of Yolo lands.

All of the two-year-old trotters in the local stakes this year will stand inspection and future remembrance, and there is one filly in particular who did not figure as a heat winner who will do to watch—Lulu B., the brown daughter of The Bondsman owned by M. L. Woy of Fresno. This girl carried Charley Clark to second money in the Pleasanton futurity, trotting both miles very nearly as fast as the winner or perhaps as fast as he did, having about the same relative position at the end of each heat that she held at the beginning. She is nice mannered and game and has mighty good backing on her dam's side, being out of Loma B., the daughter of Stam B. who produced that good trotter Albaloma 2:08¼, who forced Maymack to trot to a world's record last fall at Phoenix. Mr. Woy, owing to a pressure of business elsewhere, was one of the few owners of futurity colts who was not on hand Saturday to enjoy the well contested events, Clarence Berry being another regular who was conspicuous by his absence.

NOTES and NEWS

Rico (2) 2:12½.
Julia M. (2) 2:13¾.
Allie Lou (3) 2:12½.
Natalday (2) 2:13½.
Verna McKinney (2) 2:13.
November 27 at Pleasanton.
Not world's records, perhaps, but fast enough.
Not many parts of the world can boast of such performances at such a time.

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Hemet Stock Farm profited largely by the day, both in cash and renown. They are the breeders and owners of Allie Lou, and own Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼, sire of the new champion among California two-year-old trotters, Natalday (2) 2:13½.

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Will Durfee had a fairly busy afternoon of it, driving a horse in each race. He was once first, once second, once third and once behind the money. However, look at the fun he had!

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W. R. Murphy didn't do a thing Thanksgiving day but grab all four of the events at the matinee of the Orange County Driving Club at Santa Ana. W. R., sometimes known as "Silent" Murphy, doesn't do an awful lot of talking, but these kind of actions positively shriek aloud.

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Don't fail to turn to the classified ad department and give the offerings therein a careful scrutiny. Several local horsemen are offering bargains of the genuine kind, of all ages and sexes, for either racing or breeding purposes.

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In a recent start in a race at Victor, Montana, Mina Belle, a nineteen-year-old mare by Milroi 20585, pulled off a great performance. Although she was untrained and had never before been hitched to a sulky or been in a race she won the 3:00 trot in 2:48¼, 2:46. She has raised several colts, been used under saddle and to buggy, and had previously trotted an eighth in twenty seconds.—Field and Farm.

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John P. Quinn, who has been under contract to I. L. Borden for the last few seasons, arrived back in California a few days ago after grabbing two races in two days with Albaloma at Phoenix, and is in the old familiar place at Sacramento, where he is welcoming old and new friends. He will conduct a public training stable there and will in all probability have a good line of prospects to work on during the winter.

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Joe McGuire of Denver, who made the trip to the fall meeting at the exposition with one horse, Red Rock, and succeeded in rounding up something over two thousand dollars, returned home late last week after making side trips to Los Angeles and Pleasanton. The Denver situation is rather uncertain since the running horse folks purchased Overland Park, but in all probability Joe will train there as usual pending the start of another racing season.

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A $1,000 stake for five-gaited saddlers and a $500 junior stake will be given at the Denver Horse Show, to be held the week commencing January 16. Prospects already indicate that this season's show will be a record breaker and many horsemen are already making plans for the trip. The junior stake includes horses under four years old up until February 1, 1916. This show is held together with the Denver Fat Stock Show and is the big event of the winter for western show horse enthusiasts.—Spirit of the West.

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The purchase by A. Kingsley MacComber, a son-in-law of the late L. V. Harkness, of several thoroughbreds in England does not mean that the great breeding establishment for trotters known as Walnut Hall Farm will be in any way changed, at least for the present. The heirs have made no plans looking to the dissolution of the stud of stallions and mares that has made this place famous the world over, and there is every probability that the nursery for futurity winners will continue to turn out trotters of genuine merit, and that Harry Burgoyne the most capable manager who ever presided over the destinies of a breeding farm for trotters, will remain in his position to still further perfect the plans laid out during the lifetime of the founder. The success of San Francisco 2:07¾ during the campaign just closed has added to the interest in the beautiful place held by the present owners, and Walnut Hall Farm, the most extensive, as well as one of the most noted nurseries for trotters in the world, will remain intact for some time to come.—American Horse Breeder. (The thoroughbreds referred to above are those selected for Mr. MacComber by Walter Jennings of this city, who has but recently returned to America from his buying trip abroad. The youngsters will be put in training by Mr. Jennings at Aiken, South Carolina, the elder ones being programmed to begin their turf careers in 1916.—Ed.)

"Red" McDonald shipped from Pleasanton this week with the band of brood mares and young things purchased by Louis Titus of Stony Ford Farm, New York, from Woodland Stock Farm, C. A. Harrison and S. Christenson. After seeing them landed safely "Red" will probably tie up with some eastern outfit for a time, things in his line being a trifle dull at present in California.

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Will Durfee, whose winnings of approximately fifty thousand dollars this season give him a rank well up among the country's leading money winning drivers, is already laying plans for a trip to the big line in 1916 with a stable of half a dozen or more good performers. Virginia Barnette, Esperanza and The Lark are among the trotters who are almost sure of a ride across the Rockies if all goes well with them, while the pacing delegation will be represented by White Sox, Clara Mac and Contention B. The latter youngster has had less experience than the other members of the band but he is a pretty well behaved lad and has as big lick of speed as most of the horses eligible to his classes. His favorite distance for a real display of speed used to be about a half or a quarter, but he is learning to carry it now and at Phoenix was separately timed in 2:04¾. William also has some younger ones that may do to take along, and in case he does make the trip California's reputation will be in safe keeping.

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Harry Nelson of Selma is one "stallioneer" in California who has absolutely no fault to find with the breeding business insofar as his own operations for the season are concerned. Expressive Mac 2:25½ has had the best patronage of his career, having served over fifty mares, a number of them of much better quality than any he has previously had access to, while the draft horses and jacks have also had generous bookings made to them. Altogether, over three hundred mares have been served by the various members of the Nelson stud since the first of the year, so their owner will be able to feed them all during the winter and have money left. Expressive Mac has made quite a name as a sire for a horse whose opportunities have been so meager, and his 2:10 list next season seems reasonably assured of the addition of a trotter, the bay mare Nellie Mac out of an Altimont dam, owned by Mr. Nelson and a member of Charley Clark's training stable. She had been "buggy-raced" on the road prior to the time Harry bought her and put her in the Fresno trainer's hands, and since spring she has improved considerably in physical condition, gotten some of the notions out of her head and made a nice bit of speed. On Friday morning of last week she turned the Pleasanton course in 2:11½ just like a girl that is ready to 2:10 any day.

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A. W. Longley, who resides as fancy suits him in Chicago, Oakland or Inyo county and manages to spend the greater portion of his wakeful hours at Pleasanton, recently purchased from Woodland Stock Farm the weanling son of Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, the champion sire of yearling trotters, and Ella J., the dam of Honey Healey 2:08¼, San Felipe 2:09¼ and Natalday (2) 2:13½, holder of the Pacific coast record for two-year-old trotters. The youngster is a rugged little scamp, every inch of him real, live horse, and he is certainly bred to be a trotter. Bob Mason, sire of Ella J., is also the sire of the dam of R. J. MacKenzie's Bertha Carey 2:07¾, while Ella J.'s dam is a daughter of A. W. Richmond, sire of the dams of four with records below 2:10. While the fast performers credited to daughters of the latter are all pacers, those in the Bob Mason column have all been trotters, while Ella J. herself has produced but one pacer, the mare Emma C. 2:22¼, at one time a member of Henry Delaney's stable at Los Angeles. The latest of the Ella J. line is in all the California classics closed so far for boys and girls of his age, and Mr. Longley has great hopes of seeing him among the contenders in 1917 and 1918.

THE "REBOUND" AT FRESNO.

Fresno horsemen, deprived by the directors of the district fair association of having any sport of their favorite kind during the festival given this season in place of the usual annual event with the features customary to a fair, staged a modest program of races Thanksgiving day at the fair grounds, and while time was not sensational nor fields large, interest ran high and the day was both enjoyable and successful.

So successful, indeed, that immediately after the holiday definite plans were set under way for the formation of the San Joaquin Valley Driving Club, the prospect being that a permanent organization with some seventy-five members will be effected at an early date. All horsemen throughout that section of the state are invited to join in the movement, and may get in touch with the situation by addressing Sid Brown at the Ventura Stables, Fresno.

Frank H. Fletcher, formerly president of the Syracuse Driving Club and one of the staunch supporters of the new enterprise, stated the case in a nutshell recently as follows: "There is no reason why horsemanship and racing, which once occupied the attention of the whole country, should be a dead issue, especially in the San Joaquin, where there is so much blooded stock and many promising horses. It is my belief that a permanent organization in the form of the San Joaquin Valley Driving Club would sound a popular note of approval and, as well, would be productive of sound results for the horse industry."

ANSELILA SELLS FOR $5,000.

Mr. Louis Titus of Stony Ford Farm, New York, who has recently made extensive purchases of California matrons and young things from John W. Considine, C. A. Harrison and others, rounded out the lot Saturday through the agency of S. Christenson, concluding negotiations with Mr. Considine for the world's champion yearling trotting filly Anselila (1) 2:17½, the mares Edna Saunders and Miss Faribault, both by Axworthy (3) 2:15½, and a half interest in the yearling trotter Senator O'Brien 2:29, the fourth of the produce of Carrietta 2:18 to acquire honors at his age. The sum involved in the transaction totalled $6,500, and the quartet was well bought at that figure, as both Anselila and the politically inclined gentleman have every right to mature into sensationally fast and game campaigners. The Titus purchases, which were assembled at Pleasanton and were scheduled to leave there late last week, were held until Edna Saunders and Miss Faribault could arrive from the northwest, where they were sent during the Oregon State Fair.

The sale practically cleans up the great band of matrons and youngsters of Woodland Stock Farm, though the stallions and a few other individuals of various ages yet remain there. It means, however, that for the immediate future, Mr. Considine plans practically a retirement from both breeding and racing, a retirement which horsemen and the public will note with regret. His love for the horse and his interest in the trotter is in no way impaired, however, and he will continue to be an active force in the work of furthering the welfare of the best of man's friends in many sections. His return to active campaigning will be awaited with interest, and the news that he is back will be of a most welcome variety when it does come.

THANKSGIVING MATINEE AT SANTA ANA.

The Orange County Driving Club held its fourth matinee Thanksgiving day at Santa Ana under most auspicious circumstances. Horse racing in Orange county is making rapid strides into public favor, and as weather conditions were most pleasing a good crowd turned out and enjoyed the contests immensely.

W. R. Murphy hung up a record by winning every race of the program, but he had no walkovers, the competition being of the warm variety. Dick W., a member of Mr. Murphy's individual stable, took the 2:20 trot after dropping the first heat to Abe Johnson's bay daughter of Bon Voyage 2:08, Alexandria, driven by F. W. Faucett. Dr. S., owned and driven by Dr. Stevens, gave the winners a tussle in the final heats and went a very consistent race throughout.

Viola Patch, owned by E. R. Bankert of Los Angeles, straightheated the 2:20 pacers—and without more delay it may be stated that the first heat of the afternoon was the only one Murphy allowed to escape him. Fred Cole's chestnut gelding Atlantic Fleet and Abe Johnson's Zella D. took turns in chasing out the winner, forcing her to step the last mile in 2:20.

The 2:30 mixed class was restricted to Orange county horses and was interesting from start to finish. W. A. Patterson's Miss Patterson brought Murphy home in the lead in both heats, with Fritz Schultz' Laddie right after her in the first and S. F. Clapp's Black Diamond driving her out in the second, with neither Pelee or May Raymon very far back. Laddie, who is a great favorite with local folks and has always been regarded as almost invincible in his class, suffered his first defeat for this track and sent some of his friends home rather downhearted. Schultz, however, laughs and says he was only baiting the boys for the next matinee, which will be staged some time in December.

The event for green horses, while not so fast as the others, was interesting and well contested, Wanna Wilkes, owned by the club's president, showing the way home with Carpus and Strathway Jr. horseracing each other for place.

Matinees have become regular events with the Orange County Driving Club, and outside horses and drivers will be welcomed by its members at all times, as they are "in it" for all the sport obtainable. The officers are E. D. Burge, president; R. A. Fuller, vice-president; W. Y. Lindsay, secretary, and Dr. H. J. Stevens, treasurer. W. R. Murphy is speed superintendent, Messrs. F. W. Faucett, W. J. Lindsay and C. J. Schultz form the speed committee, and E. J. Pleasant, to whose work is due much of the pleasure derived from the matinees, officiates as starter. The details of the Thanksgiving meeting are as follows:

2:20 trot:

Dick W., b g by Walter Barker	(W. R. Murphy)	2	1 1
Alexandria, b m by Bon Voyage	(F. W. Faucett)	1	3 3
Doctor S., b g by Carlokin	(Dr. H. J. Stevens)	3	2 2

Time—2:20½, 2:19, 2:22.

2:20 pace:

Viola Patch, b m by Junior Dan Patch	(W. R. Murphy)	1	1
Zella D., blk m by Zolock	(F. W. Faucett)	3	2
Atlantic Fleet, ch g by Murray M	(Fred Cole)	2	3

Time—2:25, 2:20.

2:30 mixed:

Miss Patterson, b m by Zenith	(W. R. Murphy)	1	1
Black Diamond, blk g by unknown	(F. W. Faucett)	3	2
Laddie, blk g by Aladdin	(Fritz Shultz)	2	3
Pelee, b m by Zolock	(R. A. Fuller)	4	4
May Raymon, ch m by Raymon	(Fred McCulloch)	5	5

Time—2:30, 2:29.

Green class:

Wanna Wilkes, b m by San Juan	(W. R. Murphy)	1	1
Carpus, b h by Barondale	(F. W. Faucett)	3	2
Strathway Jr., b g by Strathway	(H. E. Johnson)	2	3

Time—2:46, 2:44.

Whys and Wherefores of the Hobblers

A subscriber writes to inquire why it is that pacers remain on the turf so much longer than do trotters, and cites as examples Earl Jr. 2:01½ and Effie Powers 2:08½; also, he wants to know if it isn't a fact that hobbled pacers have a more extended racing career than the free-legged sort.

The answer to the first question is that pacers, because of their easy manner of locomotion, do not sustain the wear occasioned by the trotting gait; they do not have the action possessed by trotters, and as a consequence do not damage their feet and legs to such an extent; also, they do not so quickly become out-classed after obtaining a fast record; while, lastly, they are kept on the turf longer because they have a more extended opportunity to race. Once a trotter gets a fast record, he is forever after handicapped by reason of the fact that there is little left for him or her to do, aside from giving exhibitions—whereas the pacers are favored with free-for-alls in all sections of the country.

But the difference in gait constitutes the principal reason for the longevity of the pacer's turf career. Hard tracks, or tracks that break out, do not handicap them to the extent that they do trotters. Just consider the impact and the resulting shock to feet and legs when a trotter races over a flint-like track; then compare it, in your mind, with the easy, gliding action of the majority of pacers, particularly those that wear hobbles.

Trotters have a distinctive stroke, bringing their feet down in direct fashion after the manner of a smith working over his anvil. Trotting gaited pacers, too, have a "beating" stroke, but the lateral gait tends to ease the impact and relieve the concussion. In other words—pacers do not pound the ground so hard and thus strain themselves as do trotters.

Take Braden Direct, p. 2:01½ as an example. His front feet are "dished" (or concaved), and despite all the care and precaution that his trainer, Fred Egan, took with them, they used to break off and were always tender and more or less sore. Spurs extending half way up the front of his feet were necessary to keep the shoes on, but despite the handicap resulting from such feet, Braden paced some notable races this season and previously—he is, to my way of thinking, one of the greatest of all pacers, considering the condition of his feet. But the point is this—were he a trotter he would not, I opine, be able to race at all. I have known a lot of pacers whose feet were in bad shape, to keep on racing week after week, but very few trotters that did so.

R. T. C. 2:06¾, Tommy Murphy's champion money-winning trotter of 1911, lasted just one season on the Grand Circuit, having to retire on account of his feet. He left the turf sound in limb, but his feet went back on him and he would never stand training again.

We have had some very light-footed, low-gaited trotters, of which Dudie Archdale 2:03¼ provided the best example, but there are any number of pacers that Dudie was high-going as compared with in respect to action. Previous to 1914 I thought that Citation was the only original velvet-footed wiggler in the fast brigade, but she has lost this distinction. Roan Hal 2:06¼, the gelding that Sam Earing has raced so successfully for several seasons, wins all the prizes. Strange as it may seem, he is one of the most muscular horses I ever examined, and has a body big enough for a 1,200-pound horse. Yet he has a minimum of action—just raises his feet enough to clear the ground, and puts them down like they were packages of feathers. Another of these non-egg-breaking side-wheelers is the new champion four-year-old filly, Sadie Densmore 2:02, Henry Thomas' 1915 wonder. She has a trifle more action than Citation, but owing to her manner of just touching the ground, should be called "Slippery Sadie."

Pacers gaited like the trio that I have named never have leg trouble, and when they are finally relieved from their long service on the turf, it's either the result of one of three things—they may "get wise" and decline to try further; their motors may give out; or some fond owner may decide that they have earned a permanent let-up. Citation left the turf as sound as the day she was foaled. True, she was blessed with a wonderful set of legs, but it's equally pertinent that she didn't have to strain her pins, and thus they served her to the end unblemished.

The inquirant is correct in his surmise that hobbled pacers outlast the free-legged ones, and the reason for that is easily explained. The hobbles hold the pacers together, preventing them from overstriding and extending themselves to too great an extent. Hobble-wearers can stride just so far and no farther, and when the end of their stride is reached the hobbles are there to support them and relieve the strain. They give a horse confidence, too, and you can bet that the steeds feel 'em no matter how loosely they are adjusted. They become part of the horse's mental balance, aside from their mechanical office.

I remember well when Mr Geers was racing the ex-hobbler Harold H. 2:03¾ on the Grand Circuit. Harold had graduated in the straps and out of them, but he always had them on his mind. After every heat, when the caretakers came to unharness him, the first thing that he did was to raise one or the other of his front legs in order that the hobble loop (which he thought should be there), could be slipped off. He forgot them when he was engaged in battling for a heat, but just as soon as he was being unharnessed the old habit of thought returned. A great many of the hobble-wearers act similarly when being unhitched—proving that they are conscious of the presence of the straps.

Nearly every high-class, free-legged pacer is what we term a flexible horse—that is to say, one that can be snatched out from behind on one line without interfering with his stride, or can be taken in and out, pulled up quickly, shot through holes between other horses and sulkies, and made use of in the various ways contingent to racing, without causing him to break. But horses are often lamed through having one or the other of the things I have cited done to him. For instance, just think of the strain that is put upon the horse when he is going a 2:00 shot, and is suddenly pulled to one side in order to pass another horse, etc.; or, consider the strain to muscles and legs when the horse, say, in order to avoid a collision, is quickly pulled up from a 2:00 clip to a 2:10 rate—this frequently happens in races. Those are the things which induce lameness.

It is possible for hobble-wearers to meet these various racing contingencies with less damage to them for the very simple reason that the "pyjamas" support them, hold their legs together, etc. I am not an advocate of hobbles, but I cannot go back on facts which plainly reveal that hobbled pacers last longer than non-hobblers. In order to convince yourself of the truth of this statement, all that you have to do is to go through the Horse Review Racing Guide and consult the tables devoted to the winners of $5,000 and over. "One swallow doesn't make summer," but the great majority of the horses that raced five years or more will be found to be hobbled pacers.

The king pin of all is, of course, Earl Jr. 2:01½, the ten-year-old son of The Earl 2:14½ and Jenny, by Sagasta 4617. He made his appearance on the turf as a three-year-old, in 1908, being then free-legged, and for eight consecutive seasons has been in the thick of battle. Unlike his brother pacers, he was not out-classed or driven off the Grand Circuit with the coming of mature age. On the contrary, he fought the best of them always, gave them measure for measure, and usually more than they bargained for, and at the close of this past 1915 season was as good as he ever was. In his construction only the best material was used; also, he was supplied with a superior heart and lungs, and in addition to all of these physical qualifications, the gray horse was blessed with the gameness of old Andy Jackson. When you have in mind truly great horses, be pleased to let your thoughts revert to old Earl Jr., the toughest, hardiest customer that ever wore the nether harness.

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"To perdition, and then some, with the hobbles," you and I may say, viewing them from the standpoint of the lovers of really good horses, but we cannot go back on the returns. Cussing the hobbles brings to mind a secret that I have held for a good many years, but up to this time have not divulged. If given carte blanche, and vested with absolute authority by the A. T. A. and the N. T. A., I can put the hobbles out of business within one month after the racing season opens in 1916. It's the simplest thing in the world; and, next to kicking a barrel down hill, I can imagine nothing else quite so soft. I really can't understand why it is that some of the rule-makers haven't thought of it! For years they have been lambasting the stuffing out of the hobbles; have wasted enough wind in oratorical denunciation to fill half the automobile tires in America, but ended in doing nothing.

I scarcely feel yet like I care to expose this momentous secret of mine, but since I said I would, I will!

DENY HOBBLED PACERS THE RIGHT TO WEAR KNEE BOOTS.

"That's all!"

Can you imagine a hobbler venturing upon a life of wild excitement and desperate deeds, over the twice-arounds, sans his knee paddies? As well send a soldier into battle unarmed, or a dog into a fight without teeth. Knee boots are, as an equipment to hobbled pacers, as essential as Hamlet in the play. Your imagination may be rubber like in its stretch, but you have to take the count when you try to use it for the purpose suggested.

Very often the knees of hobblers give rise to witticisms and cause humorists to write in comical vein. They seem to regard such signs of battles valiantly fought as jokes; but, let me tell you, the pacers do not look upon the matter that way.

Those two renowned western jehus, Frank Erwin and Bi Shively, happened to meet one morning as they were driving out to the track to jog a couple of steeds. Shively's mount was a pale-faced trotting gelding, whose outward ensemble and facial expression indicated that he had recently passed through some great sorrow. He appeared to be the victim of war, famine, grasshoppers, hot winds, chinch bugs and floods.

Erwin's mount was a nice, tidy black mare, in good flesh and showing no battle scars aside from an enlarged knee—enlarged, however, will not do as a description thereof. The mare doubtless "had a knee," for all horses are so equipped, but her's was not visible to the naked eye. It appeared that her forearm and part of her shoulder had slopped down and settled on the place formerly occupied by her knee, but the knee itself had moved away back somewhere and left no address.

Erwin, taking a slant at Shively's gelding, and desiring to greet his friend with pleasant, happy words, remarked:

"Bi, when you took the insides out of that horse what did you do with them?"

"Stuffed them in your mare's knee!" returned Shively, right off the end of his bat.

It is related that the two brothers-in-arms jogged several horses that morning, but that was the only conversation that passed between them.

The other incident that I am about to relate occurred shortly after the memorable battle of "Wounded Knee," which was fought at Columbus, O., Sept. 27, 1908. It will be recalled that the Teutonic forces (Eph Cinders 2:05¼), commanded by General Nat Crist, put to route the army of the Allies, in joint command of the noted generals, Cox and McMahon, inflicting fearful damage to life and property, and capturing the Allies' war chest, munitions and camp equipage. Several days subsequent to the carnage, Generals Cox and McMahon ordered their 72-centimeter field piece, Jerry B. 2:04¼, the only thing they got away with, led out for inspection and were holding a council of war in order to ascertain ways and means of repairing the gelding's wounds. Jerry's knee was indeed an object of interest, and one which the hospital staff of the Allies had thus far utterly failed to mend satisfactorily.

A bright-faced lad, who had accompanied his father to the races, stood near by the two great commanders, making an inspection of his own. Presently he shouted to his father: "Papa, oh, papa! Come here and see where a naughty bee stung the pretty horsie!"

General McMahon, who was still haunted by dreams of dreadful battle in which he had but recently been routed, turned to his brother officer and remarked:

"Bee, be h——."

Whereupon General Cox interjected: "Still, Dick, a bee could put a knee like that on a horse—providing he was as big as an elephant and his stinger was like an elephant's trunk."

All of which goes to prove that General Cox was ever a philosopher and a man of great erudition in the natural history not alone of hobbled pacers, but other queer beasts as well.

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A knee very similar to that which adorned the right leg of Jerry B. had caused a trainer much worry and, like the commanders of the Allies, he was subjecting the swollen member to the most critical examination. "Wild Pat," one of the most skillful of caretakers, happened along and was called upon for an expression as to his opinion of the member and what was best to do for it.

"I have tried everything I could think of," remarked the trainer, "but there it is, half as big as a water bucket, and as sore as a boil. What would you suggest?"

"Prayer," replied Pat, making a hasty getaway.

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Why is it that pacers whose front feet toe out—nigger-heeled is another term for it—have so much natural speed? I have put this question to many of the learned followers of the turf, also to several high-class veterinarians, but never have I received a satisfactory answer. If you entertain any theories on the subject, cut loose—it's a free-for-all, entrance free and every one invited to enter.—Marque, in the Horse Review.

THE TRACTOR AND THE HORSE IN THE SOUTH

"The articles in your journal regarding the tractor and horse certainly give one a fair conception of both sides of the argument. We Oklahomans have come face to face with the tractor problem and generally the horse is considered more economical, in all ordinary farm operations," writes H. J. Miller of Garfield county, Oklahoma, to the Breeder's Gazette. "Personal observation and experience convince me that the tractor can not always do field work when it should be done, and is not reliable.

"During the last three years one of our neighbors has owned and operated two large tractor outfits which have given him no satisfaction. During wet seasons the engines were used but little and sometimes stood idle for weeks because a few wet patches could not be crossed. Three new tractor outfits have been purchased and operated in the community during the last year. One has been turned back to the company, another has changed hands at a marked loss to the original owner, while the third can satisfactorily pull only two-thirds of the number of plow bottoms included in the outfit. The tractor-owners each season have lost much valuable time in miry places, in waiting for favorable weather and in repairing the engine.

"When the tractors were brought onto these farms all the horses were kept because they were needed in harrowing and seeding the fields and in plowing and harvesting when the tractor could not be used. Since the tractor does not lessen the number of horses kept on the well managed farm, since the cost of operation and maintenance is high, and since the engine is unreliable at its best, farmers of the great wheat-belt of the south see no economy in losing money, time and temper with tractors in the field, while horses are fighting flies in the pasture. Horses are still supreme in farm operations, regardless of claims to the contrary."

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL.

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

A BEAR HUNT IN CHIHUAHUA.

Just above five years ago, after having read several stories of the good hunting to be had in Mexico, my side partner spoke the necessary words to convince me that a trip down there would be exceedingly helpful to our constitutions. A hunter friend of mine who had been through the territory we proposed to invade recommended me to write to Mr. Hyrum C. Cluff, of Colonia Garcia, Chihuahua, Mex., and secure his services as guide. After some correspondence everything was arranged and we met Mr. Cluff on the third of October at Nueva Casas Grandes (the month of October being considered the best month to hunt in that region), the jumping off place when bent on hunting in that neighborhood. I will say here that we did not make a mistake in securing the services of Mr. Cluff, as he knew every inch of the country, having lived there about twenty-five years, and he had the best eyes for spotting game I have ever seen.

In order to reach the Nueva Casas Grandes, one must start from El Paso, Texas, and cross over the border to the city of Juarez, and from there we took passage on the Mexican Northwestern railroad. The trip is about 150 miles and one arrives at the destination at about 6:30 in the afternoon. An 18-mile wagon ride over what is considered a road brought us to Colonia Juarez, a Mormon colony of about one thousand people. Here we had supper at 11 p. m., the first food since breakfast, as we had been on the move up to one o'clock getting our rifles, etc., through the custom house. We had a permit from the Secretary of War of Mexico to carry arms into the country, but the dear boys in the aforementioned custom house evidently could hardly believe their eyes; hence much delay was incurred.

The next morning we were up betimes but failed to get an early start, at least not the kind we call early in California; but by 8:30 we were off on the next leg of our journey of a day and a half to Colonia Garcia, the home of our guide and his able assistant, Mr. John Humphrey. The trip from Colonia Juarez to Colonia Garcia was a very beautiful one, and the chances for photographic work were many, though one should have a kodak with a large field.

We got another one of those early starts from Garcia and were soon in the midst of the scattering pines which cover the mountains of this section of the country. About two hours from Garcia we bumped into our first game—a band of turkeys, the finest I had ever seen. A shot from my .30 Springfield treed a nice one at about eighty yards and another brough him down, and that evening we had fried turkey breast which I am willing to swear was the best ever. That night we slept on the side of the Blue Mountain (part of the Sierra Madre range), our camp being on an angle of 55 degrees, but this only served to make an additional void in the region of our stomachs next morning, which the remainder of the turkey nicely filled.

October 7 dawned bright and clear and we were soon on our way down the Blue Mountain to where our permanent camp was to be. Half way down a couple of bucks were sighted down the side of the ring about ninety yards, standing in the shadow of some large pines. I didn't have a coach to give me the windage or elevation and the thermometer and hydrometer had been overlooked in the hurry of packing and even the range flags seemed to be out of order; so the first shot was only a close 4, i. e., a miss, but the buck was finally downed with four of the little 150 grain Springfield bullets through various parts of his carcass, and from the destruction wrought by them, I can hardly see how he stood on his feet as long as he did. The second shot fired struck him low down and too far back, but he went down, and when he jumped up and ran down the ridge, most of the small intestines were left in a pile on the ground. As he was running down, another low shot but farther forward than the last opened a hole through which a good part of the paunch hung out. This shot slowed him down a bit and he finally stood behind a scrub oak. Another shot through the scrub oak merely inflicted a flesh wound. Another shot as he was starting up the opposite side of the canyon struck him back of the shoulder, went through the heart and out through the right shoulder blade, making a hole in the skin through which I could put my first after the skin had hung in the sun for ten days. It is, perhaps, needless to say that the buck came down to this shot.

The sharp pointed bullet was, as I understand it, designed with two prime objects in view: One to decrease the resistance of the air in passing through it and the other to only wound and not generally kill soldiers. The Lord help any poor devil who is ever hit with one of these "humane" implements of war. All he will need will be the kindly ministrations of the burial squad, physicians and trained nurses would be largely unnecessary (unless he was struck at very long range).

The deer being down the next thing to be done was to get him up, and this appeared to me to be the hardest job of the two, but I was not then, as I afterwards became, familiar with the ability of the little Mexican mule to go almost any old place among the rocks and wall-like sides of the mountains and back again with a heavy pack and with apparent ease.

Our permanent camp was reached about noon and we proceeded to make ourselves as comfortable as possible on the soft side of the rocks (there was a little earth here and there around the camp). I had visions of heaps of pine needles for a bed, but the pines were only scattering and the annual fire which sweeps over the country keeps what few needles there might otherwise be carefully cleaned out; hence the so-called bear grass was made a very poor substitute. The whole surface of the copntry is covered with a coating (I don't know how deep) of loose rocks which vary in size from a small pebble to a 40 or 50 pound cobble, and this makes very unstable footing for the newcomer; and one of the first things to learn is to stand up. The natives and the horses and mules seem to thrive on it, but I can't say I liked it.

A week was spent in looking around for bear, during which time my side partner and I killed what deer we could eat and jerk; and when I had about given up hopes of seeing any bear, Mr. Cluff and I bumped right into a large black bear. Ten years ago, being then a practical shooter and innocent of such things as set triggers and palm rests, I should probably have rained bullets around the bear's vicinity in the most approved rapid fire manner; but the desire to always make as near a 25 shot as possible got the better of me and only one fairly deliberate shot was fired which, being slightly better than a hastily fired "close 4," doubled Mr. Bear up in a heap, the bullet flying to pieces on the tough shoulder and the fragments going the full length of his insides, all of which made his aforesaid insides look like they had been hung up and fired at with a shotgun. He was as dead as Adam before the echoes died away.

Things immediately took on a more rosy hue and the usual shaking of hands over the carcass of the bear was indulged in, and it was thereupon resolved that "Big Jim," the mule, should carry the bear into camp, to be there duly photographed so as to furnish documentary evidence to be produced when talking to our doubting Thomas friends at home. It was very easy for us to make the motion, but Jim being apparently of a democratic turn of mind, objected strenuously to any such measures and for considerable time it looked as if the minority would prevail. After being blindfolded and coaxed a great deal, Jim finally stood for having the bear loaded onto him, and thus blindfolded we led him to camp over some of the worst country imaginable. There are no trails down there; one simply goes where the spirit directs, if possible. Jim pulled off both front shoes in getting to camp and at the end of the hike he was stepping as high as a French coach horse, as many fallen trees had to be stepped over and many large rocks crossed, and all this with a bear that must have weighed over 300 pounds and who was then as thin as a crow.

Next morning found us all ready for more bear, and after tramping for some hours, on turning around a large ledge of rock in the creek bottom, we ran onto a two-year-old grizzly who immediately jumped up the ledge a little ways and stood up between two small pine trees and placed one of his front paws on each tree and gave us the "glassy stare" for a minute. I have always considered it bad form to "rubber" and I think possibly the bear would so consider it if it had had time to ponder on the subject, but one of the little bullets from the Springfield hit the white spot between the forelegs and the ground came slowly up to meet him (her, as it turned out to be). On approaching nearer, the bear sat up on her hindquarters like a dog and champed her jaws, but the bullet had made a large hole as exit near the spine and she was clearly paralyzed in the hind legs. The hide is now hanging upon the wall near where I am writing this and the long hair on the neck still bristles up much as it did as I approached the slowly dying animal. A picture I have was taken after the green light had left the small pig-like eyes; otherwise I should not have been so familiar.

I lived a life of ease all the following day while my hunter friend continued his quest after the elusive bear, but with no results. Another small bear was added to my list after a day's rest and luck seemed to change for my side partner, for he finally landed a yearling grizzly which had a very fine pelt and made quite an addition to the ornamental effect of his house.

Such continued good luck on my part, together with the high altitude, made us fearful lest I might be attacked with heart failure, so camp was broke and we started homeward. This is the worst part of the whole business, but it was finally accomplished. On the way out some trout were caught which were very fine and made a most welcome addition to our somewhat limited bill of fare. We also went around through what is locally called Cave Canyon, where the cliff dwellers flourished some years ago. One of the cliff dwellings is famous for the large olla, which is so often photographed, and the holes in which have been have been punched by vandals who have visited there. I understand there were originally two of these ollas in the cliff, but some enterprising "professor" from an eastern college knocked one of them down in search for earthenware pots or anything else he might be luck enough to find. The survivor seems to be good for some years yet if left alone.

Anyone desiring to hunt in that locality (up to the present strenuous times) was almost sure of having a good outing. Game was plentiful—deer everywhere, and there are some lions and evidently there are plenty of bear. The rates charged by guides are the following: For guide, $3.00 per day; helper, $2.00, and 50 cents for each horse or mule.

POPULAR FANCIES ABOUT HYDROPHOBIA.

There is nearly always something in a popular superstition. Though it usually only takes about five per cent of fact to serve as foundation for ninety-five per cent of fairy tale.

For instance, the belief in the deadly unwholesomeness of the night air, which is a classic all over the world, especially in the tropics, has been found to have a slender but painfully genuine basis in the risk of a bite by a malarial or yellow fever mosquito, both of which are night-fliers.

Similarly, while nine-tenths of the images of horror and panic which rise in our minds whenever the cry of "mad dog" is raised are almost purely illusions of fancy, yet it is distressingly certain that dogs occasionally do go mad and bite human beings with fatal effect. And though its name as usually applied is a misnomer there is such a disease as hydrophobia.

It would be hard to name a much more hopeless jumble of fact and fancy than our popular ideas about rabies. A mad dog is not afraid of water; he does not run wild and bite more than once in three or four cases; the disease has nothing to do with the "dog days," and instead of being quite common, is one of our rarest serious maladies. Consequently, public opinion in regard to it ranges all the way from a vivid and lively apprehension of being bitten and dying in convulsions every time the weather gets sultry for a few days, to an utter denial of the existence of any such disease as hydrophobia.

Indeed, a considerable class of our citizens oscillate from one opinion to the other, when annoyed by muzzling ordinances or the like, loudly declaring that any alleged epidemic of the disease is merely a doctor's fairy-tale, got up by the health officers to make the community believe that they are really doing something. While the moment that the cry of "Mad dog!" is raised within a mile of them, they fly into a panic and demand the immediate slaughter, not only of the animal, who may have been merely half-crazed with pain or overcome by heat and not rabid at all, but also of every dog who happens to lose his temper and bite, or even look savagely at any one on the street.

Indeed, while there is solid and indisputable scientific evidence enough of the reality and deadliness of hydrophobia to sink a battleship, it is this very alternation from skeptical indifference at one moment to panic-stricken credulity and dread at another which has made it possible for this doubt to come into existence in the popular mind.

HISTORIC BELIEFS UNFOUNDED.

So horrible and distressing is a death by hydrophobia, with its agonizing convulsions and ghastly strangling spells, while nature with a heartlessness which she shows in no other disease keeps the victim conscious and even rational until the very last gasp, that a community which has seen a case of it or heard a report from eye-witnesses is ready to believe almost anything that may be told about its nature and origin.

Consequently, it would not be too much to say that half, if not two-thirds, of the popular and historic beliefs about hydrophobia are unfounded. Hence it is quite possible for dog lovers, or those who have had extensive experience with dogs, as fanciers, judges of dog shows, officials of Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, and who have never seen any of these fabulous and imaginary symptoms, to honestly, with a little strain of conscience, perhaps, declare that no such disease exists.

The classic name of the disease, hydrophobia, is a misnomer as applied to the dog. The "dread of water," whose Greek form gave the name to the disease, is present in the human victim, any attempt to swallow being followed by such horrible choking and agonizing spasms of the muscles of the throat, that after a few experiences, the mere sight of food or drink brought into the room makes the patient cry out in terror

The disease in the dog, on the other hand, shows no such symptom, and a rabid dog will not only show no fear of water whatever, but will usually accept it, and eagerly lap it up until prevented by the paralysis of his jaws and tongue, which is a symptom of the disease. So that any attempt to decide whether a dog is mad or not by offering him a drink of water is absurd and utterly worthless, and will result in giving a clean bill of health to the most dangerous rabid animal imaginable.

The next most striking conception in the popular

mind of what rabies looks like, that is an infuriated and bristling red-eyed beast running wildly through the streets, frothing at the mouth and snapping right and left at everything he comes near, is only about one-third correct. Because a large share of dogs with hydrophobia, ranging from half to as high as three-fourths in different epidemics, never show the disease in this form at all.

Rabies is a virulent infection, of which the germ has just recently been discovered by Noguchi of the Rockefeller Institute, and attacks the brain and spinal cord of the dog, producing first of all a very brief stage of excitement like the delirium of some fevers, during which the animal may run and go out of his way to bite. But as the disease usually ends in paralysis and death within three to five days, this stage of delirious excitement is very short, and often entirely absent. A large share of dogs attacked by rabies either show no stage of excitement at all, or go through it so quickly that it is not even noticed by their owners, and pass on into the stage of depression and paralysis, particularly of the muscles of the jaws and throat, ending within a few days in death by general paralysis.

This paralytic, or so-called "quiet" form of the disease, is in one way much less dangerous than the active, because the dog will seldom bite, except when interfered with or thinking himself in danger. But under certain circumstances, it may prove very dangerous, as in the case of kind and humanely disposed persons who attempt to feed or take care of the poor creature, for the dog's temper in this stage is exceedingly uncertain, and he is just as likely to snap at his master or a pitying friend as at a stranger.

NOT A DOG DAYS DISEASE.

Finally, the firmly rooted idea that the disease is almost exclusively a hot weather affair, during the "dog days" of July and August, is almost entirely unfounded. The name "dog days" has nothing to do with the disease, nor with any mortal dog, but is simply the period of the zodiac during which the influence of the Dog Star Sirius, was supposed to be dominant. The disease may occur at any month of the year and often shows its maximum in mid-winter, though there does appear to be a tendency for it to increase a little in the summer, due possibly to the more general outdoor life and the leaving of doors and gates open at that period. The main thing that determines the time of an epidemic is the date at which infected animals are brought into the neighborhood.

The striking and dramatic character of rabies and the eagerness with which the ghastly details of such cases as do occur are passed from mouth to mouth, or spread by the newspapers, has given rise to a highly exaggerated idea of the commonness of the disease. Every case of it is, of course, one case too many, especially when it can be so easily and completely avoided. But in statistical reality, it is one of the distinctly rarer diseases, New York City, for instance, having had 121 human deaths from it in the last fourteen years, and all Great Britain, before the muzzling laws, from twenty to thirty deaths a year. So that it is quite possible for a man to handle scores and even hundreds of dogs without coming across a single case, and he may easily have handled thousands without seeing a case that he would recognize, if he had the popular idea of the appearance of the disease with reference to water and running amuck.

EXTINCT IN MANY COUNTRIES.

Fortunately the disease is no longer a terror and is already on the way to extinction. We have an absolute preventive in muzzling, and countries like Germany and England, which enforce it, practically wiped out hydrophobia a decade or more ago. The Pasteur treatment, if given within a week or ten days, is a certain and reliable cure for those who are unlucky enough to be bitten, and almost every State or large city board of health is prepared to either give it or send patients who need it to a Pasteur Institute.

If there is any doubt as to whether a dog-bite is dangerous a laboratory test of the animal's spinal cord will settle the question within a few days and rid the community of a nuisance as well.—Woods Hutchinson, M. D., in the Sportsmen's Review.

ARIZONA STATE TOURNAMENT.

The account of the Arizona tournament forwarded to the Breeder and Sportsman was lacking in the scores of the second day. In consequence we take the liberty of using the Sportsmen's Review data.

A steady fusillade sounded the initial practice for the blue rock tournament of the Arizona Sportsmen's Association at the state fair grounds at Phoenix, November 14. The shooters lined up twenty-one strong for the practice shoot. Some of the amateurs proved to be of professional caliber.

Following were practice day scores: R. DeMund, shot at 100, broke 96; *C. H. Knight 100—94; P. F. Dodds 100—94; *G. E. Holohan 100—93; T. H. Edens 100—91; L. R. Mellus 100—91; *Ed Mitchell 100—91; *H. E. Poston 100—88; N. A. Howard 100—86; *C. A. Haight 100—86; Dell Morrell 100—84; W. Heflin 100—83; H. P. DeMund 100—82; W. B. Twitchell 100—80; C. H. Nash 80—72; W. C. Mullen 60—50; F. Benjamin 60—40; J. H. Carlisle 40—31; A. C. Pinney 40—31; R. Feland 40—30; Geo. Staiger 40—29.

*Professionals.

First Day.—The first day of the big shoot showed that D. W. King of Denver was some scatter-gun shot. Mr. King made a record when he broke 197 birds out of a possible 200. King shot 120 straight without a miss.

J. F. Dodds, of San Diego, also surprised everybody with 195 out of 200. Dodds is not a professional and his record counts mighty high for the cash prizes.

Guy Holohan, the man with the happy smile, came up to the top, making the third high man.

The shoot started at 8:30 sharp in the morning and before one o'clock it was over and the shooters were all enjoying a big dinner. Thousands of the little round birds were smashed to smithereens. All during the shoot Joe Rice, cashier, was up to the many requirements.

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10—200
*D. W. King	20	20	20	20	20	20	19	19	20	19—197
J. F. Dodds	20	19	20	20	20	19	20	19	19	19—195
Guy Holohan	19	20	20	19	16	19	20	19	19	20—191
H. DeMund	19	19	20	17	18	19	20	20	19	19—190
Dell Morrell	19	18	18	19	19	19	19	20	18	18—188
C. H. Nash	20	20	17	18	19	18	20	19	19	18—188
T. L. Edens	17	18	17	19	20	20	20	18	20	19—188
N. A. Howard	19	17	18	19	19	20	20	16	20	20—188
*C. H. Knight	14	20	19	19	19	19	20	19	19	20—188
*Ed L. Mitchell	19	18	20	18	19	18	18	19	18	20—187
*C. A. Haight	18	20	20	20	18	19	16	20	17	18—186
Ray DeMund	18	19	19	18	17	18	20	19	19	19—186
W. E. Mullen	18	19	18	18	18	19	18	18	20	19—185
Geo. Anderson	17	19	20	19	20	17	19	17	18	18—184
W. B. Twitchell	19	19	18	20	20	17	17	19	17	17—183
*H. E. Poston	17	19	20	17	16	19	17	20	18	19—182
L. R. Mellus	18	20	19	19	19	18	17	17	16	19—182
H. Heilman	18	17	19	18	18	18	18	18	17	18—179
Geo. Staiger	18	14	18	15	13	16	18	19	19	17—167
J. H. Carlisle	15	18	13	15	16	19	19	15	19	16—165
W. S. Heflin	14	18	16	17	17	17	16	17	17	15—164
F. M. Gold	..	..	..	..	..	19	19	18	18	19—112

*Professionals.

Second Day.—The second day of the shoot resulted in the remarkable record by C. H. Nash of San Jose. He is an amateur shot and was high man for the day, having beaten all of the professional shots with a score of 204 out of a possible 210. Guy Holohan was second, making a score of 203. J. F. Dodds was third, having broken 202. Poor old Joe Rice got the booby prize, having shot but 29 out of 50. Joe used to be some shot, but his eyesight has been troubling him lately.

Following is the score for the second day:

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10—210
C. H. Nash	19	19	20	20	19	20	19	20	24	24—204
*Guy Holohan	19	20	20	18	20	20	19	18	25	24—203
J. F. Dodds	20	20	19	19	19	20	18	20	25	22—202
*C. H. Knight	19	20	19	18	19	20	18	20	24	24—201
*Ed L. Mitchell	20	20	16	20	20	18	19	19	24	25—201
N. A. Howard	19	19	19	19	20	20	20	17	24	22—199
*H. E. Poston	20	19	20	19	19	19	17	20	23	23—199
*C. A. Haight	19	18	20	18	19	19	19	19	24	23—197
*D. W. King	17	19	19	15	19	19	20	20	25	24—197
Ray DeMund	19	18	19	17	19	19	18	19	24	23—195
L. R. Mellus	18	20	20	19	17	19	19	18	22	23—195
W. E. Mullen	18	18	18	18	19	19	19	19	24	24—194
H. P. DeMund	18	15	19	18	19	19	17	20	24	25—194
T. L. Edens	18	18	18	18	19	19	18	16	24	24—192
Dell Morrell	18	15	18	19	19	20	15	20	23	24—191
Geo. Anderson	15	19	19	20	18	16	18	19	25	22—191
W. B. Twitchell	20	19	18	18	18	17	19	15	23	22—189
*A. W. Bruner	13	11	17	11	16	12	12	11	21	15—139
*Joe Rice	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	15— 29

*Professionals.

160-bird event—eight 20-bird frames:

W. H. Heileman	20	16	18	15	19	18	16	19	—141
W. S. Heflin	16	18	17	19	20	20	17	20	—147
Geo. Staiger	17	19	17	18	16	19	12	16	—128
"Bob" Feland	..	..	..	..	15	16	14	13	— 58

Longest run was made by H. E. Poston, 118 straight. Other long runs were made as follows: Holohan 64, Mellus 64, Mitchell 63, Nash 53, King 81. E. C. gold medals for straight runs of 50 or more were won by C. H. Knight, of San Francisco, 58; N. A. Howard, of San Francisco, 70.

Third Day.—The last day of the Arizona Sportsmen's Association tournament ended Wednesday at noon, with H. P. DeMund winning high honors. Mr. DeMund won for the second successive year the championship of the State of Arizona with a score of 49 out of a possible 50. He also won the Interstate Amateur State Championship by making a score of 98 out of 100. He also had second high amateur average for the entire tournament, thus winning him the high honors of the big shoot.

Howard Heileman won the gun put up by Mrs. Warner in the miss-and-out shoot. The long run of the second day was made by H. E. Poston, who broke 118 straight.

Mr. King made the longest run during the entire tournament with 120 straight. He also won the silver cup offered for the high professional.

High professionals were: First, D. W. King, 619 out of 645; second, H. E. Poston and Guy Holohan, tied, 613; Ed Mitchell, 604.

High amateurs were: First, J. F. Dodds, 622 out of 645; second, H. P. DeMund, 621; third, C. A. Nash, 601.

DuPont gold bars were won for 50 straights or over during the tournament by King, 120, Haight 63, Holohan 64, Mellus 64, Mitchell 63, Heflin 68, Nash 53, H. P. DeMund 73, Gold 55.

The scores for the last day:

Targets—							
*H. E. Poston	20	20	20	25	25	25	100—235
H. P. DeMund	20	20	20	25	24	25	98—232
J. F. Dodds	20	18	20	25	22	24	98—227
	18	19	20	24	24	24	98—225
*D. W. King	18	20	20	21	24	25	97—22
N. A. Howard	20	19	20	25	22	24	91—22
*Guy Holohan	20	19	20	23	22	20	95—21
C. H. Nash	18	20	17	24	24	24	92—21
W. E. Mullen	18	18	17	23	23	25	94—21
*Ed L. Mitchell	18	16	19	24	23	23	93—21
T. L. Edens	18	18	18	22	23	23	94—21
W. Heflin	19	17	18	24	24	23	90—21
L. R. Mellus	20	19	17	22	25	23	87—21
Geo. Anderson	18	19	18	25	23	24	85—21
F. M. Gold	18	20	19	23	24	25	83—21
H. Heileman	18	18	16	22	22	23	92—21
Dell Morrell	16	17	17	24	21	20	95—21
*C. A. Haight	17	18	17	23	22	23	85—20
Ray DeMund	17	16	17	22	21	25	83—20
W. B. Twitchell	18	19	19	22	22	21	78—19
Geo. Staiger	19	15	15	19	21	21	83—19
*C. H. Knight	12	17	18	21	21	220	84—19
J. H. Carlisle	17	15	15	20	20	21	78—18
*A. W. Bruner	14	17	18	18	19	15	75—17

*Professionals.

Summary:

Targets—	1st day 200	2nd 210	3rd 235	Sh.at 645	T't'
J. F. Dodds	195	202	225	645	62
H. P. DeMund	190	194	227	645	62
*D. W. King	197	197	225	645	61
*Guy Holohan	191	203	219	645	61
*H. E. Poston	182	199	232	645	61
N. A. Howard	188	199	221	645	60
*Ed L. Mitchell	187	201	216	645	60
C. H. Nash	188	204	219	645	60
W. E. Mullen	185	194	218	645	59
T. L. Edens	188	192	216	645	59
L. R. Mellus	182	195	213	645	590
Dell Morrell	188	191	210	645	589
*C. A. Haight	186	197	205	645	588
Geo. Anderson	184	191	212	645	587
Ray DeMund	186	195	201	645	582
*C. H. Knight	188	201	193	645	582
W. B. Twitchell	183	180	199	645	552
†H. Heileman	179	141	215	595	531
†W. S. Heflin	164	147	215	595	526
†Geo. Staiger	167	134	193	595	493
*A. W. Bruner	117	139	176	645	432
F. M. Gold	112	...	212	435	324
J. H. Carlisle	165	...	186	435	361

*Professionals.

†Shot at 160 second day.

CLARENCE BERRY ACQUIRES GAME PRESERVE

When Clarence Berry, California's foremost owner just now of trotting and pacing campaigners, failed to "materialize" at Pleasanton Saturday when the Pleasanton futurities were raced, the regulars opined that some momentous business deal in which the venturesome sourdough was involved must be hanging fire someway and require his personal attention. He was missed extensively and he remained missing from his accustomed haunts until Tuesday, when he reappeared and the mysterious absence was explained. "C. J." had not been working night and day on the trail of a great profit to be made in any extensive operation in the immediate vicinity of Miller House or Circle City, but had been real busy on a deal that promises a great yield of pleasure not only for himself but for a wide circle of his intimate friends—the acquisition of title to nearly four hundred acres of swamp and upland in the heart of the best goose and duck country in Sutter county. The tract lies about twelve miles from Live Oaks, and while work cannot be done this season to put it in shape, everything necessary will have been accomplished before the season of 1916 rolls around to make it a modern preserve. The club to occupy it will be composed of Mr. Berry's friends and some great sport is anticipated.

Clarence Berry is one of the coast's best known and most popular sportsmen, an amateur billiardist of note, a baseball fan, a reinsman of more than passing ability and an expert wing shot. To a high degree of skill with a splattergun Clarence adds a most pronounced efficiency and passion for wing shooting with a twenty-two, as evidenced by his course in potting himself in one foot last summer up in Alaska when there seemed nothing else to practice on. This seems like carrying one's devotion to a favorite pastime just a little too far, in real candor, but—we can see a world of fun ahead for the members forming the new club.

FEMININE "MASTERS OF HOUNDS."

According to a prominent eastern sporting publication the news has come from England that, by reason of the absence from that country this season of so many prominent men in the hunting world, who are seeing active service in the European war, there are many feminine masters of hounds. It is said that the fact that never before have there been so many lady masters or mistresses of hounds is due to the fact that in the great majority of cases these women are "taking command" during the absence of their husbands who, as some one has wittily said, are following the "dogs of war."

It is said that various hunts are being carried on principally not as a means of affording pleasure to the customary hunters, but as a duty to farmers who desire to see the stock of foxes kept in moderate bounds and also to give pleasure to those soldiers who when home on leave may be desirous of having a day with the hounds.

NGLISH AND AMERICAN TRAPSHOOTING SYSTEMS COMPARED.

[By W. P. Grosvenor.]

At the conclusion of a short visit to New York, I m glad of the opportunity to give you some impressions of your American trapshooting system and oint out the differences between the usual English lub procedure and those of the various clubs I have hot at during my recent visit to your country and hich I take to be common on this side.

I would first like to say that owing to the wonderful runs of kills made by your shooters, which we ear of in England from time to time, many of us lay bird shooters have the impression that your eneral conditions are much easier than ours, otherwise the runs of two and three hundred kills would ot be made. My own opinion, however, now is that our conditions are at least equally difficult, and that he long runs are to be accounted for to a great extent by the fact that the stance and methods of our scratch men have been developed to such a high degree that, given standard ammunition, the clay bird has been mastered very much as the decimal arget has been conquered by the miniature shooters of both countries these last few years.

The American clay bird shooting position strikes me as an absolutely rigid one, the gun immovably held and the whole swing, either vertical or horizontal, coming from the hips, whereas we swing in most cases by the arms, or to use an expressive and slangy word, "swipe" the gun up to or at the bird more in the way we shoot game. In my own case, I am often conscious that I am not "on" accurately as I pull, and while the error is not apparent by the result in many cases, owing to the margin allowed for by the killing circle, I get a certain percentage of misses which I am convinced would be decrased by the American style and which I therefore shall try to acquire in the near future.

Your average trap throw is less than ours by some 20 yards, and the birds, by reason of your rigid automatic traps, maintain a more constant level, but on the other hand the conditions, while reading as easy, are not so in practice, as the birds are more easily affected by the wind and also get down quicker.

Your birds are thrown lower than in England, so that under average conditions I found it necessary to see the bird if anything above the gun instead of covering it up as we have to do in England. The standard English practice permits the use of two shots at each bird if necessary, using shells with a maximum load of 1⅛-oz. shot. The use of only one barrel even when using your usual 1¼-oz. load has so far had a particularly daunting effect on my shooting, as I miss the confidence afforded by the second shot permitted under our conditions, and in consequence I have been possibly two-fifths of a second slower than I am with a second shot in reserve. I simply dare not take the chances I do under our own conditions.

This is, of course, only an individual opinion, and we have shooters on our side who would make a better showing than I have done, but even at that I do not think we can at present find a man within 5 per cent of your best form.

In short, my opinion is that under your conditions your best men are superior to ours, and under our conditions I think the result would also be in favor of your men.

Your use of one shell only and the price of one cent per bird tend to keep the expense lower than that of our clubs. Our birds are charged at 2 cents and the average consumption of shells per 100 birds is about 140 for our good shots and considerably higher for the less skillful men.

In conclusion, I would like to say that any American trapshooters will be heartily welcome at our English clubs. The Middlesex Gun Club, Henden, London, N. W., for instance, shoots every Saturday from March to the middle of November, and it will only be necessary for them to turn up and announce themselves to receive an equally hearty welcome to that given me by your clubs these last few weeks.

EXPOSITION DOG SHOW.

The dog show at the exposition opened Monday and formed a lively attraction on the Zone, being housed in the building formerly occupied by the Marine Cafe. Attendance throughout the three days was most satisfactory, and the show as a whole was the best yet held on this coast. One hundred and eighty-three owners participated in the event, by far the most pretentious and attractive individual exhibit being that of the Anoakia Kennels of Anita M. Baldwin, several members of which are of international renown.

The work of the judges on Tuesday resulted in placing the following awards: Russian wolfhounds, S. V. kennels and Anita M. Baldwin; field spaniels, Dr. Howard Herrington; Irish water spaniels, James Harvey Jones; cocker spaniels, Mission Cocker kennels and Mrs. R. G. Shute; beagles, Fred B. McKay, two winners class awards; dachshunds, Mrs. R. I. Smith and Miss E. Andeanea Flowers; fox terriers, W. B. Fechheimer, Dr. Gordon T. Courtney and El Sur kennels; Irish terriers, Miss Kentucky Leonard, Mrs. Edward G. McDonnell; Scottish terriers, El Sur kennels; West Highland terriers, Edna S. Lively and Mrs. W. A. Ward; Italian greyhounds, Mrs. R. E. Lindsay; chowchows, N. P. Holzheiser; samoyedes, Mrs. A. L. Barry; bull terriers, D. J. Tobin and W. R. Whittier; Pomeranians, Mrs. Leon L. Roos and Miss M. Virginia Phillips; English toy spaniels, Miss Mary R. Nichols; Japanese spaniels, Mrs. W. Z. Haskins and N. P. Holzheiser; Pekingese, Mrs. E. N. Hester and Mrs. Elizabeth Ayres; Chihuahuas, G. W. McConkey and Mrs. C. J. Lindgren; Mexican hairless, Child's Pinto and Babe; toy poodles, Mrs. Sinclair, two awards; Maltese terriers, Melita kennels, two awards; Doberman Pinche, Ernest G. Wiese.

On Wednesday the judging was resumed as follows: English setters—Dog, C. H. Edmunds; bitch, Charles J. McCarthy. Gorden setters—Dog, Mrs. G. A. Ball. Irish setters—Dog, J. J Mitchell; bitch, Mrs. J. L. Marks. Airedales—Dog and bitch, Anita M. Baldwin. Rough collies—Dog, Mrs. E. F. Brown; bitch, William Ellery. Boston terriers—Dog, Dr. Martin Smith; bitch, Arthur Foff. French bulls—Dog, C. F. Lewis; bitch, El Sur kennels. Bulls—Dog, A. B. Corbel; bitch, E. B. Perry. German sheep dogs—Mrs. Mitchelson. Belgian sheep dogs—Edwin Savery. Old English sheep dog—Mrs. M. Colverd.

BIGGER GOOSE STEW IN 1916.

Sacramento will repeat its big goose stew in the fall of 1916, and repeat the success of 1912 on a much larger scale, so states the Union. This was decided by over 200 sportsmen who gathered in the Elks' clubrooms last week to enjoy a program and banquet at the invitation of the Big Goose Stew Club.

No official action was taken then. In fact, the gathering was not a regular meeting of the club. Half of those present were not members of the club, yet they proved as enthusiastic over the next big goose stew as the club members.

The affair was given for the sole purpose of keeping interest in the big goose stew alive. Two hundred sportsmen got their heads together and discussed the event. Two hundred sportsmen unanimously declared that the big goose stew is too much a purely Sacramento institution, is too big an advertisement for Sacramento through the State, and too good a purveyor of fun and merriment to be dropped.

Jack Morshead, J. M. Miller, S. W. Russell, Dr. Howard Cameran and George Van Hutton composed the committee in charge of the evening's entertainment. Jack Inman was the master of ceremonies.

There was not a dull moment. Events, calculated to create amusement and merriment and cement the existing feeling of sportsmanship, passed in rapid review.

Frank Krumpf did the only speech-making of the evening that could be called by that name.

Krumpf asked all present to work, plan, think and help pay for the next big goose stew. All present not members of the club were asked to join.

The big hit of the evening was the singing of Miss Dorothy Vaughan of the Empress. Miss Vaughan gave four selections, each of them better than its predecessor.

Another unlooked for feature, which took the crowd by surprise and later by storm, was a battle royal staged between ten newsboys. The embryo Jess Willards, Willie Ritchies and Kid Williams flew at each other. The dogs of war were let loose. The result was that several hit the floor, while others left the scene of hostilities with eyes blacked and noses bleeding.

Accordion playing by Eddie Breene and Chinese impersonations by Fred Cutting rounded out the evening's fun.

During the entertainment moving pictures of duck hunting and the various industries of the Sacramento valley were shown by the McCurry Photo Company.

A frankfurter and sauerkraut "feed" was given in the banquet hall before the gathering broke up.

FIRE VISITS FAMOUS FISHERMEN'S PARADISE.

Destroying more than $300,000 worth of property, fire, which broke out early in the morning of November 29, swept the entire west side of Avalon, Santa Catalina island, and burned it to ashes.

The conflagration is supposed to have been incendiary, as there were two other smaller blazes earlier in the night, and each of these fires was accompanied by robbery.

The fire started in the Grand View Hotel basement and, aided by a strong wind, the flames rushed unchecked to Central avenue, taking in practically all of the business section.

Many persons were forced to flee, screaming and in their night clothes, from the five hotels which were enveloped by the conflagration.

The Metropole Hotel, which was a landmark of Southern California, having been built before 1886, was burned to the ground. There were no guests at the Metropole, as it had been closed since October 6th.

Five other hotels, the Bay View, the Grand View, the Rose, the Miramar and the Central, were burned to ashes.

From the main street the flames then spread up the mountainside and destroyed nearly every summer cottage on the slope and in the canyon, making a brilliant and spectacular sight for early risers in Los Angeles, fifty miles away.

The famous Tuna Club, known the world over, also burned. On the water front the only building left standing is the wireless station. The tug Warrior in the harbor saved the pier by throwing water on it for two hours.

The work of rebuilding, it is stated, will begin at once, and Avalon is to be made bigger and better than ever.

THE VANISHING ANTELOPE.

Of all the hundreds of thousands of antelope which once enlivened the plains of New Mexico, only 350 head are left, according to figures just compiled by the United States Forest Service, and this in spite of a state law providing a heavy fine for killing this beautiful and useful animal. The remnant consists of twelve little herds scattered around in various out of the way places, and according to reports at least half of these herds are even now decreasing from year to year. There are probably 100,000 square miles of natural antelope range in the state, which means that there is one antelope left to every 200 square miles of such range.

It is, of course, only natural and right that sheep and cattle should have displaced a large proportion of the original number of antelope in New Mexico, but the complete wiping out of this beautiful animal is entirely another matter. The mountain sheep of New Mexico are in even worse straits, only 20 head remaining alive, according to the last reports received by the Forest Service.

That the more enlightened stockmen and sportsmen are at last awakening to the gravity of the situation is shown by the fact that at least two protective associations have sprung into the work of saving New Mexico's game during the last month, one at Albuquerque and one at Taos. The Silver City Sportsmen's Association has been active for several years, but until recently has received scant support from the rest of the state. It is the object of these associations to co-operate actively with the state game department and the Forest Reserve in enforcing the game law and pushing an aggressive program of work for better game protection.

Remington-UMC Notes

Good Scores at Arizona State Shoot.—H. P. DeMund was the star of the 1915 Arizona State Trapshooting Tournament, held recently at Phoenix. Shooting a Remington pump gun and Remington-UMC shells, he won the State Championship with a score of 49x50, and also the Interstate Amateur Championship, breaking all but two of his 100 targets.

This is the second time Mr. DeMund has taken the center of the stage in the State classic, having won this event in 1912 by making a perfect score of 50 straight.

"ENCOURAGING (?) RIFLE PRACTICE."

I don't know why no other pilgrim holding down an executive position with a civilian rifle club has not before this risen in his wrath and demanded the explanation for the penurious, incompetent and exasperating method of handling the orders from civilian rifle clubs to the Ordnance Department, wrote a western sportsman to an eastern friend recently.

Regardless of being thus alone in my glory I purpose to hold forth on the subject for a space, with the assistance of a cake of ice on my fevered brow, a brake on the typewriter and a censor to oversee the finished result.

As is known to a few investigators on the subject, but not a matter of common knowledge, there is a handful of misguided gentlemen about this huge country of ours who have banded themselves into clubs, followed as near as human being can follow and remain human, the brilliant regulations of a National Rifle Association crossed with an incomprehensible War Department, and shot more or less faithfully the military rifle as used by the army and militia. These said misguided gentlemen, unlike the milish, are furnished nothing but a few perfectly good stumbling blocks, and some reels of red tape. Free rifles are theirs—after they furnish more documents and more bonds and pay more boxing charges and more freight and go through more annoyance than first class rifles, not wrecks, would deserve were they given without further restriction to the riflemen for the remainder of their natural lives. So startling was the success of the free rifle movement that 25 clubs out of 455 entered the first annual military interclub match, and not one of these said entered clubs used the said free rifles. Further testimony is not needed.

Not satisfied with withholding all practical assistance to said few and misguided civilian riflemen, the brilliant geniuses at the head of this "movement," evolved from the very first the most exasperating and nonsensical and delaying set of regulations covering the purchase of the few little things in the way of rifles and ammunition these riflemen needed in their work.

With the coming of the war the Washington presiding genius in this field broke out in all his glory. I don't know who he is, I hope that he sees this screed. First he cut off all sale to the few struggling clubs—they might be pirates or submarines or Mexicans killing people south of our border, they might sell a pitiful case of Springfields to some belligerent—although hundreds of Springfields already were in their hands were they so disposed. They might start a private revolution, having proven by their desire to shoot rifles they were undesirable citizens. Of course the stores were not full of other sorts of guns, and of course scores of army rifles were not already in their possession.

[Concluded Next Week.]

THE FARM

PRICKLY-PEARS FOR DAIRY COWS.

The prickly-year, specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture say, has now been demonstrated to be a good and palatable feed for dairy cows. Prickly-pears have been fed to cattle to some extent in Texas and Mexico for many years but their value as a feed has not been fully appreciated. Recent experiments by the Department of Agriculture have shown however that this feed can be used much more extensively and can form a much larger proportion of the ration than was believed possible heretofore.

The results of these experiments, says an article in the August issue of the Journal of Agricultural Research, indicate that there is no reason why prickly-pears should not come into general use for feed in all sections where they can be readily grown. Under proper climatic and soil conditions the prickly-pear is a perfectly practicable farm crop. At Brownsville, Texas, the average annual yield for the first two years' growth from cuttings was about 40 tons, and at San Antonio about 25 tons an acre. After the first two years a yield of 50 to 100 per cent more can be expected. Irrigation is unnecessary and the cost of growing the crop is therefore small in comparison with the tonnage produced.

The prickly-pear, it is found, contains approximately 10 per cent of dry matter, the remainder being water. If it is assumed that the nutritive values of different kinds of feed vary in direct proportion to their content of dry matter, 1 pound of sorghum hay equals 15.9 pounds of prickly-year when the latter is fed in large quantities, and 10.1 pounds when fed moderately. One pound of sorghum silage was found to equal 2.6 pounds of prickly-pear and 1 pound of cottonseed hulls equal to 5.8.

From 60 to 100 pounds of prickly-year, 3.6 of sorghum, and 1 of cottonseed meal a day made a maintenance ration for a Jersey mature cow when dry. If no sorghum hay is available the amount of prickly-pear should be increased to 110 pounds and the cottonseed meal to 2 pounds. Experiments show, however, that it is best to feed not more than from 60 to 70 pounds of prickly-pears a day. When 120 to 150 pounds were fed, excessive scouring followed, and in addition the laxative effect of the feed made it extremely difficult to keep the stable in a sanitary condition.

In general, it may be said that cows like prickly-pear and eat it with relish. The feed, according to the experiments, causes an increase in the quantity of milk produced but a slight decrease in the total production of butter fat. This decrease becomes more pronounced as the quantity of prickly-pear in the ration is increased. Butter produced on a prickly-pear diet is highly colored but neither its flavor nor the keeping quality of milk is noticeably influenced. From the experiments it is noticed, however, that cows fed upon prickly-pears appear to be more sensitive to "northers" than those which receive a dry roughage. The greater the quantity of the plant consumed the more the milk production fell off during these storms. On the other hand, the feeding of prickly-pears appeared to have no influence on the offspring of the cows nor on the condition of the mothers after birth.

The cost of feeding prickly-pear will depend naturally on local conditions. There is no great difference between the spiny and the spineless varieties in their values as feed, but the cost of harvesting the latter is less. On the other hand the spiny varieties yielded a larger tonnage to the acre in Brownsville and are not so susceptible to insect depredation. They are also more hardy and can be grown on a much larger area. The cost of singeing the spines off was most common method of removing them is by singeing with a strong gasoline torch, a machine specially constructed for this purpose being on the market.

WEEDS HARBOR INSECTS.

Getting rid of grass, weeds, and undergrowth about the farm during the fall and early winter is one of the best protective measures the farmer can use against crop-damaging insects the following year. Weeds, matted grass, dead vegetation and brambles along fences, roadsides, margins of fields, banks of little streams or ditches, especially in irrigated territories, are the natural hibernating and often the breeding places of many destructive insects. This vegetation gives grasshoppers, chinch bungs and other insects most favorable conditions for reappearance the following spring and winter. Similarly, voluntary growths of wheat harbor the Hessian fly; while stray alfalfa plants in the fields and around them may be the source of the incursion of grasshoppers. The Hessian fly in the absence of volunteer wheat at times lays its eggs on the young crab grass which may spring up in the fall after a tract has been burned over. At present, in some parts of the country, the late-sown wheat is being infested by Hessian flies that have developed in and spread from volunteer wheat. Late sowing cannot be expected to protect winter wheat from attack in spring if volunteer wheat has been permitted to grow up either in nearby fields or among the late-sown grain. Grasshoppers lay millions of eggs along the banks of canals and ditches in the western country. Chinch bugs hibernate in bunches of broom sedge, and many other destructive pests could not endure the winter were it not for these natural nurseries.

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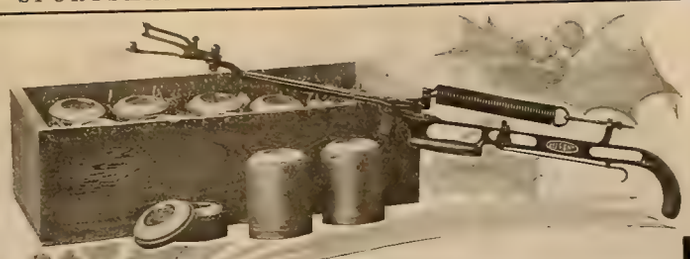
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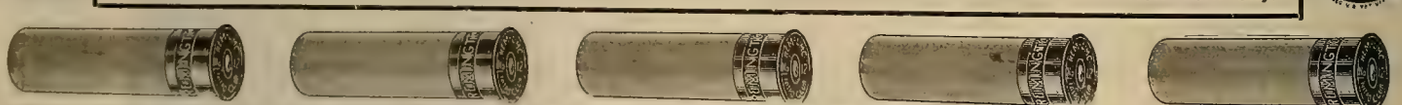
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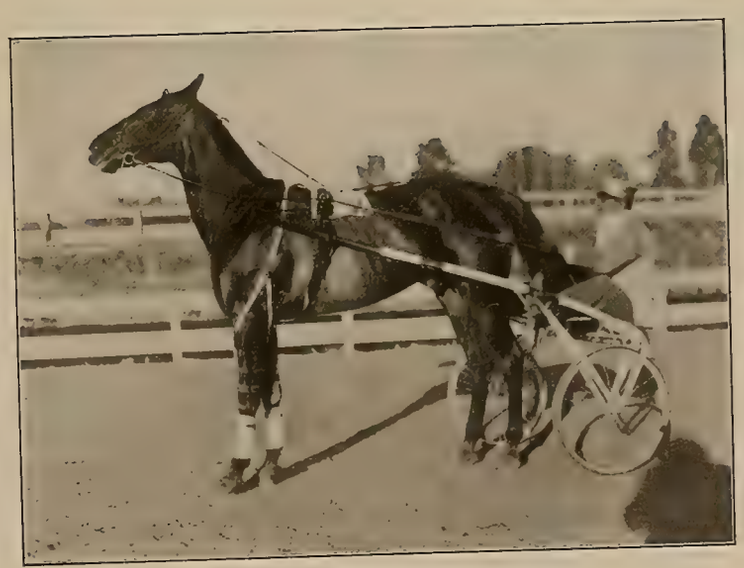
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One of the first crop of the Manricos
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BARGAINS IN OUR CLASSIFIED COLUMNS.

While the Chicago sale has drawn on our horses to a considerable extent, all the bargains in California were not sent there by any means, and as usual some exceptionally good ones are offered for sale through the medium of the Breeder and Sportsman's classified department, page twelve of this issue.

Anyone desiring things ready to race should be attracted by the offerings of Adolph Ottinger of this city, whose business affairs will interfere with his activities next season. Agnes Carter 2:15¾ is one of the most pleasingly bred mares left in California and is better than a 2:10 trotter, having won several times over the Stadium course for Mr. Ottinger this season in 2:13. She can trot the short turns and should make a wonderful brood mare. Dick W. 2:06¼, eligible to the 2:08 class on the big rings and the 2:12 on the twice-arounds, is a familiar figure on California tracks and is as serviceable as ever, while Ina Frances S., a five-year-old daughter of King S., Mr. Ottinger offers an excellent prospect for next year's slow trotting classes, as she is sound and game and has a matinee record of 2:11½.

Mrs. W. B. Bradbury of Corte Madera lists for sale a three-year-old pacer whose pedigree is replete with famous names—a daughter of Arner, Diablo's brother, out of Alberta by Diablo, grandam a sister to Little Albert—a double cross to that greatest of matrons, Bertha. She is a beautiful individual and a natural pacer.

Californians well remember the good qualities of Ball Style 2:10, and I. F. Eaton of Chico wishes to dispose of two exceptionally nice young things by him, a three-year-old filly and a two-year-old colt, both out of a Doctor Hicks mare. Mr. Eaton also has a nice two-year-old filly by Dan Logan out of a daughter of Arthur Wilkes, nicely broken and high class in every way.

Have you good mares you would trade for an imported draft stallion, sound and of nearly ton proportions? If so, get in touch with D. A. Baker, Hill P. O., San Diego county, without delay.

A WORD TO THE SECRETARIES.

Meetings of secretaries of race and fair associations in various parts of the country are "in order" from now on, in fact a few circuits have already announced their dates for the coming season, and the managers of our few California fairs are no doubt laying definite plans for their events of 1916. To them we would make the suggestion that no exact dates be arranged or claimed until the latter part of January, basing the suggestion on these grounds:

The Pacific Coast Fair Association was formed for the express purpose of fostering fairs with harness racing in California, and early in January will begin its active work on the formation of a circuit of such events in 1916. A representative of the association plans to make the rounds of the various cities where fairs will in all probability be held, with or without the association's assistance, at the conclusion of which journey he will know pretty well just what will or will not be done. With this information at hand it will not be a hard matter for the representatives of the various local organizations to get together and agree upon dates which will establish a chain of fairs so arranged that there will be no conflicting dates and permitting of the most economical transportation of horses and other livestock and exhibits from one end of the circuit to the other. The advantages of such an arrangement are too apparent to require further comment on our part, and will appeal directly to fair promoters in all sections of the state.

The request that action be deferred until after the first of the year is made on account of the inability of Robert A. Smith, secretary of the P. C. F. A., to take up his work aggressively until after that date. Prior to the formation of the new body Mr. Smith had arrangements well under way for taking a large consignment of California horses to the Chicago sale and it was necessary that these plans be carried to their culmination before new responsibilities could be shouldered. Once home from the auctions, Mr. Smith will promptly "set things going" for the Pacific Coast Fair Association, and we bespeak for him the hearty co-operation of every horseman, stockman and agriculturist who is interested in seeing district fairs permanently re-established in California.

SARGO 2:07½.

Since 1912 the bay gelding Sargo has been racing up in the northwest without attracting any great degree of attention, though acquiring a record of 2:16¼. He was entered merely as being by Keeler 2:13¼, his dam not being given by the parties racing him and never being established in the Year Book—a case that is by no means uncommon, but one that is entirely too familiar. So long as the horse was content to trot around fifteen there was no great amount of worry felt over the missing portion of his pedigree as duly recorded in the season reports, as trotters of that caliber are rather numerous these days. Things happened eventually, however, that made him more prominent and a bit of curiosity began to be evidenced concerning his maternal blood lines.

At the Oregon State Fair, where he was third in one race and fourth in another, the fastest time in either event being 2:13, he was bought by W. G. Durfee for the proverbial song and shipped to California with the stable of the Los Angeles reinsman, unloading for a few days' stay at Sacramento and Pleasanton pending the closing of the exposition races, when he was scheduled to make the trip south. Once in Durfee's hands he was given the benefit of a little "working over" in shoeing and rigging and before many days trotted the Sacramento track for Loren Daniels in a bit better than 2:10. At Pleasanton he was given another material boost toward getting into shape by Dr. I. B. Dalziel, the latter gentleman putting his mouth in condition for him to derive some real benefit from the hay and oats consumed, and he progressed so steadily that Durfee took him along with him to Phoenix, where he was entered in the 2:12 trot. After winning the first heat in 2:11½ he developed a temporary trouble that caused him to be drawn before the race was concluded, only to "come out" nicely and be started again three days later in a special event, taking second money and winning the last heat in 2:07½, that being the fastest mile trotted during the Arizona State Fair this year.

Now there is considerable difference in the amount of interest displayed in a horse that is being beaten in midseason in ordinary time and one that trots in 2:07½ late in November, and that unknown dam became a mare of much more importance. Having been bred at Brook Nook Ranche it was a "dollar to doughnuts" proposition that he had not merely a dam but a good one, a request for information direct to headquarters being productive of the following information:

Sargo was foaled at Brook Nook in 1905, the resultant foal of the first of a series of three matings to Keeler of the brown mare Treacle, also a native daughter of Brook Nook. Each of these three matings proved productive of speed, Sargo 2:07½, Toffee (foaled 1906) 2:15¼, with a trial of 2:07½ with quarters in twenty-nine seconds, and Melero (foaled 1907) 2:11¼, Toffee and Melero both being pacers. Since 1907 Treacle has produced but three foals, two of which have been sold while the third, the yearling filly Honeyberry by Letrado (3) 2:25, remains the property of Brook Nook Ranche.

These are pretty fair proofs of the quality of the dam of Sargo as a speed producer, and she is bred along sturdy lines that explain why Sargo had a right to trot in 2:07½, being a daughter of Alcone 6780 and Brown Sugar by Red Wilkes 1749, second dam Bon Bon 2:29¾ by Fieldmont 5050, third dam Ellen Belle by Mambrino Patchen 58, fourth dam Belle of Meadowbrook by Edwin Forrest 49, fifth dam by Herr's Boston, etc. With these lines to back up those of Keeler (a son of King Rene and Ada Wilkes by George Wilkes) it seems almost criminal for Sargo to appear in the Year Book as one of the "Topsy" kind that "just growed," for he is most emphatically not an "accidental trotter." He sells next Thursday at Chicago, and if the right man gets him he will be heard from in the future.

Speaking of names—and we note that Potroast headed a sumptuous summary a few days ago down east—Sargo is not the proper title for this rather homely but good going trotter, "Sorgo" being the correct spelling, and the name being in keeping with those found in the "family tree." It is true that the method of procedure seems to have been reversed when Bon Bon produced Brown Sugar (the other way about being a more everyday practice) but no fault can be found with the course that produced Treacle from Brown Sugar and then went further and proceeded to the manufacture of Sorgo (Sugar), Toffee (Taffy) and Melero (Molasses). The system is simplicity itself—if you are provided with a smattering of border Spanish.

CALIFORNIANS SELL NEXT THURSDAY.

Sixty-four head of California's equine aristocrats left Los Angeles Wednesday on a personally conducted tour to the east, Bob Smith accompanying them in the combined roles of chaperon, groomster extraordinary, publicity manager and consignor's agent, the band having been assembled through his efforts. They were briefly reviewed in our last issue so little remains but to wish them a safe journey to new and pleasant homes, and to assure the patrons of the Chicago sale that they are worth the money—each and every one of them. The bulk of the local contingent will be put up for sale on Thursday, December 16, and the returns will be awaited with much interest. There are several individuals in the lot that should command prices well toward the sale's top figures, for they have the quality in every way.

In addition to the great array gathered by Mr. Smith, C. A. Harrison of Seattle has also sent a choice lot headed by the champion sire of yearling champions, Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, who in a locality of much activity in breeding should prove of inestimable value to the industry at large. With the Prince went the brood mares Serpola by Mendocino 2:19½, in foal to True Kinney; The Attraction by Peter the Great 2:07¼, in foal to True Kinney; Princess Bessum by Egyptian Prince, in foal to Prince Ansel; Bela Hall by Walnut Hall, in foal to Robert Bingen, and Mista Lockheart by Lockheart, in foal to True Kinney. In the car were also included the yearlings Prince Anseleema by Prince Ansel—Aleema by Nutwood Wilkes, and Prince Bessum by Prince Ansel—Princess Bessum, as well as the weanlings Bingen McGregor by Robert Bingen—Alma McGregor, Ansel Lockheart by Prince Ansel—Mista Lockheart and Ansel Moko by Prince Ansel—Eocita by Moko, grandam Mendocita (dam of Mary Putney (3) 2:05½, etc.) by Mendocino.

Not since the days of Palo Alto has California sent such a draft of trotting stock to the eastern auctions, and it is a matter of deep regret that local conditions are such as practically to compel their sale outside of this state. We can spare such individuals only at high expense to our own best interests, and can only hope—and work—for a day when it will no longer be necessary to market them away from home.

ANOTHER ONE FOR ELLA J.

Last week when commenting upon the performance and pedigree of California's new two-year-old trotting champion, Natalday (2) 2:13½, we made mention of but one pacer produced by Ella J., the mare Emma C. 2:22¼, formerly trained by Henry Delaney, Natalday's breeder. A few days ago, however, we were advised by Mr. Delaney that we were one short in our estimates, Ella J. also being the dam of the pacing mare Santa Paula who acquired a non-winning performance record of 2:17¼ in a special event at the recent Riverside fair. The newcomer to the list is a full sister to Emma C., being by Silver Coin 2:10, and was bred by Ed Sewell of Santa Paula, also the breeder of San Felipe, Honey Healey and Emma C., as well as another filly out of Ella J. and by Joe Locke by Zolock. The Joe Locke filly is still owned by Mr. Sewell and has gone the route on a halfmile track in 2:23, so Ella's list is due for another boost in the course of the coming season. Not to be overlooked, either, is her yearling by True Kinney owned by Roy Mayes of Dixon, for this lad is paid up in the stakes and could show a forty gait when sold last spring.

The Story of Allie Lou

OUR BEST THREE-YEAR-OLD TROTTER OF 1915

When Esperanza made her campaign of 1914 which resulted in an unbroken chain of victories, including every three-year-old trotting classic of the Pacific coast, she set a brand new record in local trotting history. Not again soon would it be duplicated, was the opinion of horsemen in general, and while the season of 1915 brought forth no exact duplication of the performance it was productive of a series of almost equal brilliance and even greater profit, the same forming the season's campaign of the three-year-old trotting filly Allie Lou (3) 2:12½. The histories of these two fillies are very similar in many respects, both having been bred and developed in the same section of California, both being by sons of McKinney that have trotting records below 2:08, both being out of developed dams which are also multi-producers of standard performers, and both numbering several of the same series of stakes among their winnings. Esperanza has the faster race record by two and a quarter seconds and a time record of 2:09; Allie Lou was never sent for a time record as a three-year-old and was never as closely pressed in any of her engagements as was Esperanza. Esperanza won every three-year-old stake on the coast; Allie Lou did not start in two of them but won all the rest. Esperanza raced in three states and won over five thousand dollars; Allie Lou was never out of California and won over eight thousand dollars. The preliminaries being thus disposed of we will proceed to the main bout.

One of the famous friendships and partnerships of California pioneer days concerning which a wonderful wealth of "romance" and interesting incident could be written by some one possessed of its intimate history was that which for so many years endured between Mr. W. F. Whittier and Colonel E. L. Mayberry, a friendship that was dissolved only by the death of the latter a few years ago. Both possessed many likes—and dislikes—in common, the former including all sorts of red-blooded outdoor sports and a deep and sincere regard for the trotter. It was in the later eighties, while on a "prowl" for fish, fowl and adventure in Southern California, that they became aware of the opportunities presented by the Hemet valley and conceived the idea which culminated in the construction of the Hemet dam and the resultant transformation of the valley from desert to orchard and farm. Together they put their names into one of the finest chapters of California's constructive history, never becoming too deeply engrossed in business affairs, however, to prevent them from taking an active interest in the trotter or to keep their names from appearing occasionally in both the Year Book and Register.

Indeed, it was but the following year from his trip of discovery to the land of Ramona and her kindred that the Colonel laid the foundation for this story through one of his little breeding operations. Early in the season of 1888 a gentleman living at Chino had purchased from Palo Alto the then six-year-old stallion Woolsey, the first foal produced by a chestnut daughter of General Benton to the embrace of Electioneer. The bay colt came when his dam was but a four-year-old and practically unknown, but obscurity was not long to be her portion, as she was none other than Waxana, whose dam, Waxy, was a daughter of the great Lexington. In 1886 she gave birth to a full sister to Woolsey who, under the name of Sunol, was to startle the world at the ages of two, three, four and five years. Shortly after the arrival of Woolsey at his southern home, Colonel Mayberry sent to his court a thoroughbred mare of whom he entertained an excellent opinion—Sespie by Crichton. Crichton figures in a number of trotting horse pedigrees, especially in connection with the A. W. Richmond cross, having sired, among others, the grandams of the very fast pacers Italia 2:04¼ and New Richmond 2:07¼. Before coming into Colonel Mayberry's hands Sespie herself had been mated a few times with A. W. Richmond, but if the resultant foals exerted any influence upon the present day family of the trotter the same is not a matter of record. Should anyone reading this sketch be familiar with the history of any other of the produce of Sespie we would be pleased to hear from them.

ALLIE LOU (3) 2:12½
- KINNEY LOU 2:07¾
  - McKinney 2:11¼
    - Alcyone 2:27
      - Geo. Wilkes 2:22 by Hambletonian 10
      - Alma Mater by Mamb. Patchen 58
    - Rosa Sprague
      - Gov. Sprague 2:20½ by Rhode Island 267
      - Rose Kinney by Mamb. Messenger
  - Mary Lou 2:17
    - Tom Benton 15705
      - Gen. Benton 1755 by Jim Scott 836
      - Nelly Patchen by Geo.M.Patchen Jr.31
    - Brown Jenny
      - David Hill Jr. 17139 by David Hill 887
      - Old Brown Jenny by Black Hawk 767
- LADY ZOMBRO 2:24¼
  - Zombro 2:11
    - McKinney 2:11¼
      - Alcyone 2:27 by Geo. Wilkes 2:22
      - Rosa Sprague by Gov. Sprague 2:20½
    - Whisper
      - Almont Lightning 1023 by Almont 33
      - May Berry by Kentucky Clay 194
  - Lady Woolsey
    - Woolsey 5337
      - Electioneer 125 by Hambletonian 10
      - Waxana by Gen. Benton 1755
    - Sespie, thbd.
      - Crichton, thbd. by imp. Glencoe
      - Lulu Jackson by Jack Malone

Fifth dam Leda by Epsilon.
Sixth dam imp. Nanny Kilham by Voltaire.
Seventh dam the dam of Bolus by Comus.
Eighth dam Lisette by Hambletonian.
Ninth dam Constantia by Walnut.
Tenth dam Contessina by Young Marske.
Eleventh dam Tuberose by Herod.

In due time after the stinting of 1888, Sespie was safely delivered of a filly foal which was promptly christened Lady Woolsey, never to acquire fame as a race mare but to achieve much renown as a matron. For Colonel Mayberry she produced the full sisters Lady Zombro 2:24¼ and Nealy W. 2:27, both by Geo. W. McKinney 2:14½, and after passing into Mr. Whittier's hands gave birth to Walter J. 2:28½ (a brother to the pair of mares above mentioned) and Harry R., a son of Armond Lou 2:27½ who achieved a record of 2:24½ as a yearling in 1910. It is with the first of the foals mentioned, Lady Zombro, that we are most concerned at this moment.

Not being a stake candidate the Lady, who was foaled in 1897, was allowed to attain a well advanced maturity before much was done with her, Peter Hodges making one start with her at Los Angeles as a five-year-old and placing her 2-2-2-2-4 in time from 2:19 to 2:24, the heat winners being McKenna, Lady Fair and Lady Rowena. In 1903 she celebrated the Fourth of July—and here we have another "Esperanza" reference—at Santa Ana by trouncing hanna Treat three heats out of four, the latter gett her record of 2:24¾ in this identical race. So see the rivalry between Allie Lou and Esperan runs back farther than would at first appear, as h twelve years ago we have Allie's ma putting it o Esperanza's grandma and hanging a brand on that she carries to this day. Later in the seas Lady Zombro was distanced at Petaluma for the fi last and only time; at Los Angeles she was fourth Rosie Woodburn, and later at the latter course w 2-1-1-2-2 to Mamie Elizabeth, trotting both her w ning heats in her record time, 2:24¼.

This ended the Lady's trotting career, and we wi to digress to arise to a point of order and remi you of the fact that there was some mighty go leather in the bunch of girls with whom she associ ed in the two years just reviewed. Johanna Tre became the dam of Del Coronado 2:09½ (or rath was already his dam, as he was foaled in 1897), Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ (foaled the year following t race with Lady Zombro) and Zulu Belle 2:06¼; Ros Woodburn is the dam of O. U. C. 2:07½, while Mam Elizabeth produced El Volante (3) 2:13¼ (sire Del Rosa (2) 2:26), Amo K. 2:20¼ and Eileen (2:29¾ (dam of Eileen C. (3) 2:29). Save for the u timely death of El Volante, this roll of honor Mamie Elizabeth would undoubtedly have been mu more pretentious by this date.

Retired from racing after these brief campaig the Lady spent a number of unproductive years un purchased by Mr. Whittier to become a member the breeding ranks at Hemet Stock Farm, founded 1909. From that year she has never failed to rai a foal, five of which are in the list. First, foaled 1909, came Hemet (3) 2:08¼, one-time world's cha pion three-year-old pacer; then Miss Gailey (191 with records of (2) 2:29½, (3) 2:12½, (4) 2:11½ then Frank H. Holloway (3) 2:22½ on a halfmi track; then Allie Lou (2) 2:25, (3) 2:12½, the coast best three-year-old in 1915; then Billie Boyd (2:30, her first foal by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼, t first three having been by Geo. W. McKinney 2:14 and the fourth by Kinney Lou 2:07¾; she has yearling and a weanling by Wilbur Lou and is aga safe with foal to him—certainly a remarkable reco for a mare who foaled for the first time at twel years of age.

So much for the maternal ancestry of Allie Lou- and the story of the other side of the house is or yet familiar to the ears of even the younger gener tion of trotting horse lovers, Kinney Lou 2:07¾ ha ing been gone from our midst but a few brief yea and his qualities of excellence being well remem bered. No horse stood higher in the affection Budd Doble, and it is most pleasing to the maste reinsman and his most steadfast friend, Mr. Whittie to contemplate the success achieved by his get racin



Budd Doble and His Old Favorite
KINNEY LOU 2:07¾
Sire of Hemet Stock Farm's Futurity Winners, Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼ and Allie Lou (3) 2:12½.

ler the registry of Hemet Stock Farm. Wilbur
l (3) 2:10¼ and Allie Lou (3) 2:12½ have made
nes for themselves which will long endure in
tting annals, and the future holds promise of an
n greater renown.

As a two-year-old, Allie Lou was taken with the
ble campaigned by Hemet Stock Farm throughout
lifornia, and while achieving no sparkling success
a trotter returned a pretty fair account of herself
her few engagements, in addition to being a con-
tent winner in standard bred show rings at all the
rs visited by the stable. Under the tutelage of
ssrs. Doble and Blackwell, not overlooking some
uable kindergarten lessons from Frank Rees, she
rned to trot early in life and at the State Fair of
14 was driven to her first record of 2:25 by Mr.
ckwell, the performance being against the watch.
ter during the same meeting she made her first
rt in company in the State Fair futurity, trotting
-2 to Byron and Carl in 2:23¾, 2:24½ and 2:22.
Pleasanton, in the junior trotting division of the
st of the colt stakes promoted by Rodney J. Mac-
nzie, she won second money to Byron in 2:21 and
20¾, being third the first heat and second in the
al. This told the tale for 1914, and she was taken
me to be prepared for a more extensive campaign
1915, as she was entered in every classic on the
ast save the Oregon futurity. Mud kept her out of
Stanford stake, but she annexed all the rest of
em in impressive fashion and with the loss of but
o heats, while on more than one occasion she
uld have shut out some or all of the colts racing
ainst her. Her performances this year being mat-
s fully reviewed at recent dates we present them,
th her winnings, in condensed form as follows:

San Francisco (mile track)

ne 18—P.-P. I. E. Stake, purse $5000, won (Alonzo McDonald)..... Rank, 2-1-1; time, 2:18½, 2:18½, 2:21.	$2,500.00

Riverside (halfmile track)

tober 6—2:14 trot, purse $300, second (A. L. Blackwell)..... Rank, 4-2-2; time, 2:15¾, 2:15, 2:14½.	63.75
tober 9—2:10 trot, purse $500, third (A. L. Blackwell)..... Rank, 3-2-3; time, 2:16, 2:13, 2:16.	87.50

San Francisco (mile track)

vember 2—Occident Stake, purse $2,885, won (C. L. DeRyder)..... Rank, 2-1-1; time, 2:15½, 2:16½, 2:16.	1,442.50
vember 5—State Fair Futurity, purse $1,400, von (C. L. DeRyder)..... Rank, 1-1-1; time, 2:13¼, 2:13½, 2:14.	700.00
vember 13—Breeders' Futurity, purse $2,500, von (C. L. DeRyder)..... Rank, 1-1-1; time, 2:14¼, 2:12¾, 2:14½.	1,500.00

Pleasanton (mile track)

vember 27—Pleasanton Futurity, purse $3,500, von (C. L. DeRyder)..... Rank, 1-1-1; time, 2:12½, 2:13¾, 2:13¾.	1,750.00

Total winnings in stakes and purses, $8,043.75

This is a tidy little sum for a three-year-old trotter
lay up in one season without leaving her home
ate and racing at but four meetings, but there is
t a modest amount to be added thereto. Under the
nditions of some of the stakes which she won there
ere added awards, aside from the purse actually
ced for, to be paid to nominators and stallion own-
s. From these sources Allie Lou earned $200 for
emet Stock Farm and an equal amount for Budd
oble as the owner of her sire, bringing her total
edit up to $8,443.75.

Eight thousand, four hundred and forty-three dol-
rs and six bits—say it fast or say it slow—is a lot
money. If you don't think so, try to borrow it!
nly four trotters exceeded it on the Grand Circuit
1915, so do you blame the Hemet folks for having
soft place in their hearts for Kinney Lou 2:07¾
id his descendants? And especially for Allie Lou
:) 2:12½?

THE RISE OF THE METROPOLITAN TROTTING CLUB.

Before this issue has reached all our readers the
rst day of the New Zealand Metropolitan Trotting
lub's Spring Meeting will have passed, and the New
ealand Cup of 1915 will have become a matter of
story. In view of the proud position which the club
olds today, it is interesting to look back and see
ow modest was its beginning sixteen years ago. In
899 the amalgamation of the Canterbury Trotting
lub and the Lancaster Park Trotting Club resulted
the formation of the New Zealand Metropolitan
rotting Club, and the new body held its first meet-
g on the present property at Addington in Novem-
er of that year. As may be imagined, the appoint-
ents were distinctly crude when regarded in the
ght of the present day's standard of comfort and
ompleteness, and the course as it is now would
ardly be recognized by anyone who had not seen it
nce it was first used. The meeting we are referring
extended over two days, and the stakes for the
rst day totaled £505, and for the second day £595, making a sum of £1100 for the gathering. The principal event was worth only £120, and the stakes ranged from that sum down to £30. The fields were small, and for the sixteen events during the two days there were just 99 starters, an average of just over six per race. Some idea of the quality of the competitors may be gathered from the fact that the fastest time registered in a two mile event was 5 min. 2 sec. and for one mile 2 min. 29 2-5 sec. The totalisator investments on the first day amounted to £3369, and on the second to £7326, making an aggregate of £10,695 for the meeting. When we consider these facts and figures in comparison with those of the present time, we are able to form some idea of the wonderful development that has taken place in the sixteen years of the club's history. The stakes for the three days of this week's fixture total £10,000, the same amount as was given last year, and the New Zealand Cup alone carries £2500, more than twice the amount that was given for the whole of the first meeting. The breeding of light harness horses has become a very important industry, especially in Canterbury, and the fields have become very much larger, while the improvement in the speed of the horses may be judged from the fact that last year's cup was won in 4 min. 31 sec. and that this year's race, confined to horses that have done 4 min. 37 sec. or better for two miles, drew an entry of twenty-one. Last year the totalisator investments, although not quite up to the previous year's standard, reached £117,999 10s for the three days, and the sum handled on the cup was £9321, which is not very far short of the aggregate for the whole of the two days in 1899. As is well known, the club has spent very large sums of money in improvements to its property, and it would be difficult to find in any part of the world a better equipped course than that of the New Zealand Metropolitan Trotting Club. The progress that has been made is indeed phenomenal, and we have no doubt that the future will show still further development.—New Zealand Referee.

Plans for Tia Juana

RACING TO COMMENCE JANUARY FIRST

The question that is of most concern to western followers of the thoroughbred just now is whether or not the Tia Juana meeting will become an actuality, there being numerous reports both ways in constant circulation. That there may be some grounds for doubt is possible, but from all most authentic reports from the scene the promoters anticipate no trouble whatever of a nature arising from the political situation in Mexico. It will be recalled that reports in September to the effect that Carranza would interfere with racing at Juarez failed to be substantiated, as the Juarez meeting is in full swing under most agreeable circumstances, and when it comes to a "showdown" it is quite probable that all differences that may have existed between Senors Carranza and Cantu will be found to have been fully and amicably adjusted. Among horsemen here the main doubt seems to be concerning the new track's ability to draw enough horses for a hundred day meeting, but there are a good many small stables scattered about the west that will make the trip, as well as a number of more pretentious ones from points farther east. The promoters themselves, who should know pretty well what they are facing, state that they have assurance of plenty of horses for the inaugral meeting of the new course.

For some weeks a big crew of men and teams has been working at top speed to get the course in shape for opening on New Year's day, with the result that a well equipped plant is rapidly assuming concrete form and nearing completion. Just how the work has progressed and what the future holds in store is told in the following story which, with illustrations, appeared last Sunday in the San Diego Union:

Surrounded by the mauve hills of Old Mexico, as though nature intended the spot for the site, lies the magnificent new Tijuana race course, a few miles from the thriving little Mexican village, where, on New Year's Day thousands will assemble to witness the inauguration of a 100 days' race meeting under the auspices of the Lower California Jockey Club, of which James W. Coffroth, famous sporting man, is president.

Nowhere on the Western hemisphere could have been chosen a more ideal location for the construction of a racing plant, such as the Tijuana track will be, when completed.

Climatic conditions are such, in this section, that racing can be conducted from one end of the year to the other, occasional rains being the only disadvantage—and this barely worthy of mention.

With excellent railroad facilities on the Santa Fe and San Diego & South Eastern Railway systems, thousands daily can be transported to the course from the centers of population on the coast and from points inland, as well as from the larger cities of the South, particularly New Orleans, from whence many are expected to come to witness the thoroughbreds in action on January 1.

That the track positively will be completed and ready for racing on New Year's Day, is the statement of the management of the jockey club which promises six races every day, excepting Monday, throughout the meeting. Fear of interference of any kind by the warring factions of Mexico has not stopped the association from spending a world of money to get the plant into shape for the opening card. Work is being pushed as rapidly as possible, shifts of men working day and night under the supervision of a capable body of foremen who have promised the owners that the jockeys will be able to take their mounts in workouts by December 15.

The track will be a one-mile oval, slightly banked on the outside turns and sufficiently wide enough to allow twenty-five horses to face the starter. The top soil already has been laid, with the exception of about forty feet of the track uncovered on the stretch turn. It is the purpose of the contractors to build the best and safest stretch turn on any track in the country, speed and safety being their aim.

A grandstand 300 feet long, having a seating capacity of 5,000 people, nearly is completed, about a week's work being necessary to have it ready for occupancy. Adjoining the grandstand and not more than 100 feet south, will be located the betting ring. Here it is expected that more than twenty-five bookmakers will go on the block on opening day and that a fifteen-book ring will prevail during the meeting. The structure is built of wood and concrete and will be completed within the next ten days.

Adjoining the betting shed, fifty feet south, stands the paddock, sufficiently large enough to accommodate the entries for the largest card of any day during the meet. This building also is constructed of wood and concrete and is located just a few feet north of the jockeys' room and the secretary's office.

In all, the arrangement of buildings, off the lawn, equals any in the country, when the rapidity with which they have been constructed is considered.

Above the paddock and far enough away from where the public will congregate, thereby preventing fire or interference with the horses, are the barns. Ten barns now are ready, each barn containing forty stalls, making stable room for 400 horses. Other barns are to be erected when necessity demands.

The board of racing officials chosen to handle the affairs of the club represents the better class of men in the racing game in the United States. Harry Morrisey, who will handle the barrier, is known to racegoers all over the country. His ability has never been questioned while his determination to give the public the best there is in him has won him a world of friends wherever he has performed.

Presiding Judge C. H. Pettingill of New York is regarded the leading official in his class in the game today. A square deal for all, has been his motto and has brought him abundant success.

J. J. Holtman and L. J. Rose will act as associate judges. Two men better qualified to fill these important posts cannot be found. Holtman is a thorough horseman, having been identified with the sport for a quarter of a century, while Rose, whose home is in this city, can recall his experiences on the race tracks of this country as far back as 1880, as a man, and long before that time as a boy, when his father owned and raced some of the most famous horses of that day.

President Coffroth, Baron Long and H. A. Houser, respectively treasurer and secretary, are all well known wherever sporting men congregate. They are hard workers for clean sport and with them as officials of the association, a successful season of racing is assured the Lower California Jockey Club.

In addition to the officials mentioned above it is worthy of note that Dick Dwyer has this week been notified of his appointment as handicapper, as his presence in that capacity means a well balanced program daily. Dwyer is one of the most popular of the old-time officials at Emeryville and other famous courses and horsemen in general will learn of his appointment with satisfaction.

The American-bred Rena Pointer, who won the Sydney Thousand last Easter, and is being prepared for the next Melbourne Thousand, fell while racing with Ivy Harum at Victoria Park the other week. A gusty wind carried a piece of paper onto the track, and Rena Pointer jumped violently when she came to it, and fell heavily forward. Her driver (George Babcock) was shot out of the gig, landing on his head. The mare's hopples had to be released before she could stand up, and the impact with the ground so much affected a shoulder and a leg that a veterinary surgeon was called to attend to her. The accident temporarily stopped her training preparations for the big Victorian event.—N. Z. Referee.

OFFICIAL SESSIONS IN WESTERN CANADA.

The annual meeting of the Western Canada Fairs Association was held at Edmonton, Alta., Nov. 15 and 16. Nine associations were represented, namely: Brandon, Man.; Regina, Saskatoon, Prince Albert and North Battleford, Sask.; Calgary, Edmonton and Red Deer, Alta.; New Westminster, B. C. A slight change was made in the circuit, with dates for 1916 as follows: Calgary, June 29-July 5; Red Deer, July 6-8; Edmonton, July 10-15; Brandon, July 17-22; Regina, July 24-29; Saskatoon, July 21-Aug. 5; North Battleford, Aug. 7-9; Prince Albert, Aug. 10-12.

The meeting of the Auxiliary Board of Appeals of the American Trotting Association for Western Canada was held the afternoon of Nov. 16. Only one case came up for hearing—an appeal from Jos. Huber, of Bozeman, Mont., against suspension for non-payment of fees by Brandon and Saskatoon exhibition associations. Mr. Huber claimed that it would have been necessary for his horses to take the mallein test, and this would have unfitted them for racing. It was shown by the defendants that Mr. Huber was fully aware on June 15 as to the conditions under which his horses could be shipped and raced, and that there was no necessity for his horses to take the mallein test in order to enter Canada for racing purposes. The appeal was therefore dismissed.

The Auxiliary Board of Appeals of the American Trotting Association for Western Canada is composed of Messrs. I. G. Ruttle, Calgary, chairman; R. W. Hamill, Regina; A. C. McCrae, Winnipeg; W. I. Smale, Brandon, and W. J. Stark, Edmonton, secretary.

W. H. Knight, secretary of the American Trotting Association, was present at the meeting, also W. O. McCullough, of Toronto, representing the Canadian National Trotting and Pacing Association.

ACTIVITY IN THE NORTHWEST.

[From the Rural Spirit.]

North Pacific Fair Association 1916 Meeting.

John W. Pace, Secretary of the North Pacific Fair Association, Seattle, Wash., has issued the following notification to members of the association and all concerned:

"Application has been made for reduced rates to and from the annual meetings of this association to be held at Seattle, Wash., February 3 and 4, 1916. It is not to be presumed that we can obtain any arrangement other than the certificate plan, which calls for the regular railway receipt when the ticket is purchased, and failure to get such receipt and certificate by some members has resulted in inability to show the attendance reached fifty.

"Those who have attended previous meetings are familiar with this subject and the troubles we have encountered. We ought, this year, with attention to this detail on the part of every member, to get the necessary number.

"This office will issue a bulletin on the matter at a later date. In the meantime, if there is a fair or other organization in your county or district, whose officials should be interested in our work, please take it upon yourself, individually, and as a member to invite a delegation.

"We want an interesting program. You will be called upon for some sort of participation in the discussions, or to present some phase of a topic connected with the work. Advise me now, so that I may put you on the program. In case of your failure to do so it will devolve upon the secretary to construct a program and the subject assigned to you, in absence of information as to your preference, might not be just the one you prefer to discuss. Please aid to this extent.

"You will later receive information regarding the plans at Seattle for the meeting. I have suggested that no form of entertainment be provided during the morning or afternoon of February 3rd or 4th. The session ought to be a busy one this year, and the regular attendants can recall meetings at which important business was interfered with by entertainment in lieu of the day sessions.

"I shall appreciate an early response to this bulletin regarding the part of your delegates in the program; also the names of those who have been selected to attend."

Racing Prospects Good.

To the Rural Spirit: A lot of people on the Pacific Coast who are neither kings nor poets say that racing is fit for kings only. I want to show that there are others that enjoy a good fair with plenty of racing, especially harness racing. You will notice that when the grand stand is only about half filled and the program shows a race is next, that grand stand fills up quickly. Some object to the races, saying it takes too much for purses. They forget that lots of times the entrance fees will pay half or two-thirds of the purses. They never think that if they did not have the racing for entertainment they would pay some side show or troupe the money and let it go out of the country.

I have been watching the ups and downs of the horsemen for the past eight years, but the mists are passing away and I think by the time you have read my contribution you will think so, too.

In the first place, I will start in with Skagit county, one of the best there is in the state. They had a fair last fall at Burlington which was away ahead of anything on this side of the mountains in the state of Washington. The grain exhibit was a good one and the large number of Holstein cattle was something wonderful to look at, and when it comes to draft horses, that county has them all downed. But there was one thing that did not suit the people at the fair and that was, they had a little race track, just a quarter-mile long, which was all their fair grounds would permit. They found that the track was their drawing card, and that it was too small. They purchased ten acres additional and are now surveying a halfmile track, which I think will be one of the best winter tracks on the Sound where horses can be wintered and trained cheaper than any place in the country. It is in the center of the Snohomish flats where they raise more than a hundred bushels of oats to the acre, and the best timothy hay which can be bought for $10 per ton.

The Skagit County Fair was capitalized at $10,000 and at a meeting last week this was raised to $25,000. Our adjoining county on the north, Whatcom, on the 12th of the month let a contract for a race track just one mile from the center of Bellingham. I have been told in the city of Everett people are talking track again. When they had a track there it was a success, but like Mt. Vernon, their track was soon in the center of the town and was sold. I never liked the plan of the Snohomish management of restricting the races to home county horses. There were horses in other counties that would have made more interesting races—Elfreda D. at Centralia, two or three runners at Burlington and some more good ones at Olympia and Elma.

I am pleased to read in the Rural Spirit that Tacoma is to have a track and I have it from good authority that McCormick will fit up Madison track this spring. Olympia had their first fair and race meet this year and it goes without saying that it was a success, and they are already laying plans for next year on a larger scale.

Next year, we will have Centralia, Elma, Olympia, Tacoma, Seattle, Burlington and Bellingham. We will have a good circuit without having to interfere much with our neighbors, Oregon and British Columbia.—H. R. Ball, Seattle, Wash.

TOM GAHAGAN REVIEWS THE DURFEE "TOPS" FOR WESTERN HORSEMAN.

The limited amount of racing afforded by the coast tracks does not appeal to the Los Angeles trainer, Will Durfee, who is recognized as the premier reinsman of the section west of the Rockies. "The Murphy of the Pacific Slope" is what they call him where he is best known, which is both a compliment to the Californian and to the wizard of Poughkeepsie. During the past three seasons Durfee has not been in the East, but his 1912 trip to the Grand Circuit will long be remembered, for that was the time he cleaned up in the Kentucky Futurity with the brown colt Manrico (3) 2:07¼, winning what was the most bitter contest ever waged for the honors of that colt classic. The coming season will see the trainer from the city of flowers back with us, if he adheres to the plans which he had formulated at the close of the recent harness meeting at the exposition track at San Francisco.

During the past season the Durfee stables in the main consisted of young stuff, the pacing mare White Sox 2:05¼ being about the only aged horse to be raced by the Los Angeles trainer. After the close of the 1912 season both Manrico and Helen Stiles 2:06¼, the latter a fairly successful trotter on the Grand Circuit, were disposed of, the Futurity winner being purchased by Walnut Hall Farm, where he is now in the stud. The star pacer, Don Pronto 2:02¼, was raced afterward on the coast, but was sold for export to Australia, and since that time Durfee has been searching for recruits of Grand Circuit caliber among the youngsters.

In spite of the fact that there are several trotting-stake prospects for 1916 which look to be able to trot miles from 2:03 to 2:05 Durfee announced a short time since that he would bring the four-year-old filly Virginia Barnette 2:08¼ east next spring for a try at the big cracks. This rather frail-looking youngster has been more or less of a sensation since a two-year-old, when she trotted a half over the Los Angeles track in 1:00¾. She took her record when a three-year-old in a race at Phoenix, where she beat Star Winter 2:05 a heat. She met with an accident during the early part of last season, running away and falling into an open sewer in Los Angeles, and was out of training for some time. At the June meeting at the exposition she won a race and was second to Spriggan in the $20,000 stake for 2:10 trotters.

Previous to shipping to San Francisco for the November meeting at the exposition track Durfee worked the filly in 2:06, and it was this that convinced him that she had a chance against even the cracks of the East. She won on the opening day at San Francisco, although not in a style which made her look like a stake trotter of class. In her next two races, however, she looked better, beating that wonderful stake trotter, Peter Scott, a heat each time, the champion, Lee Axworthy, being the only other trotter to beat the leading stake winner more than one heat this season. In the final race she gave Scott what Murphy stated was the hardest argument he had during the entire season, with the exception of the M. and M., in which he was beaten, and the New York reinsman had a lot of respect for the filly after that race.

Durfee did not ship Virginia Barnette to Phoenix for the late meeting there, fearing she might get a record which would make her ineligible to some of the Grand Circuit stakes, as her winning races at the exposition left her eligible to the 2:12 classes. 2:06 trotter at four years, he figures that she should improve considerably the coming season, and, with her perfect manners, she can be counted upon to be a contender in almost any company if all goes well with her in her training.

For the Grand Circuit pacing stakes Durfee is relying on the bay mare, White Sox 2:05¼, winner of the $20,000 race at the June meeting at the Exposition, and second to Hal Boy in the similar event raced at the fall meeting. Originally a trotter, the bay mare could beat 2:10 at the diagonal gait, but showed an inclination for the side-wheel style of locomotion. She paced the exposition track in 2:05¼ in winning the big stake last June and that means a lot, as the course by the Golden Gate is, as one of the grooms expressed it, "about 20 minutes slow." At Los Angeles, where there is a fast course, she worked in 2:02¾, and last week at Phoenix she won two races, in one pacing all three heats in 2:05¼.

The peculiarities of the exposition track make it hard to judge the capabilities of a horse racing over it, but White Sox defeated Hal Boy at the spring meeting, and finished a good second to him at the late meeting, and the gelding, with the exception of Russell Boy and possibly Single G., was the class of the stake pacers of the big ring the past season. In fact, he raced a faster heat than either of the stallions. At long range it does not look that the class of the stake prospects for 1916 is as high as for the past season, and Durfee is convinced that the daughter of Del Coronado is worth taking a chance on in the events to which she is eligible on the Grand Circuit. She is a mare which makes a break occasionally, usually going into the first turn, yet at that she can sprint away from the wire at a terrific clip, and I have seen her cover the first two furlongs of the exposition track in :29.

Durfee has a three-year-old pacer called Rayo d Oro (Ray of Gold), which looks to have considerable class, as he raced well at the exposition and won a heat in 2:07¼ at the recent Phoenix meeting. The four-year-old trotter, Esperanza, could also beat 2:1 away off, and should be useful in purse events, although she hardly looks to be of stake caliber.

BRIGHT PROSPECT FOR CANADIAN ICE RACIN

The formation of the Canadian National Trottin and Pacing Harness Horse Association a little mor than a year ago will solve, to a large degree, many of the difficulties prone to the owners of trotters an pacers in this country and every owner of a trotte and pacer that has campaigned to any extent know how much red tape there has been in settling up dis putes which have arisen during the racing in thi country, by the National Trotting Association, wit headquarters in Hartford, Conn., and the America Trotting Association with headquarters in Chicago Ill., the two parent bodies that have governed har ness horse racing both in the United States an Canada for many years.

The Canadian harness-horsemen came to the con clusion that the time had arrived for them to asser their independence and form an association of thei own to govern racing in their own country rathe than have the sport governed by men located i another country and unfamiliar with conditions o this side.

In selecting their officers, the new association cer tainly acted with wisdom, as their president, O. B Sheppard of Toronto, is undoubtedly the best quali fied man in Canada for the position. Mr. Sheppar is a thorough horseman and has owned and cam paigned many noted horses, including Maud Keswick 2:03¾, Ritchie 2:09¼, Black Bird 2:11¼, and Rich ard S. 2:13¼, all with success, and he is familia with every angle of racing. His ability has beer recognized by many of the Grand Circuit organiza tions as he has repeatedly acted in the capacity o presiding judge at the Columbus, O., Fort Erie, Ont. and Syracuse, N. Y., meetings, where his work has been of the highest character. Mr. Sheppard is also president of the Canadian Standard-Bred Association that has done so much to advance the interests of this particular breed of horse in Canada.

The secretary, W. A. McCullough, also of Toronto, has been secretary of the Dufferin Driving Club for a number of years, where he has always given complete satisfaction, and as secretary of the Canadian governing body he is making good.

During the many years that harness horse racing has been conducted in Canada under the jurisdiction of the National and American Trotting Associations, those organizations gave little or no attention to racing on the ice. In fact, they just about ignored this branch of sport, though its popularity has spread to large proportions. The reason for this is no doubt accounted for by the fact that there are practically no recognized winter meetings for harness horses in the United States and the managers of the parent bodies never considered it necessary to visit the winter meetings over here and find out just how pretentious they are. The fees, however, were always collected with unfailing regularity, although nothing was given in return.

It is pleasing to note that the Canadian Association will give the same attention to winter racing that they do to the summer meetings, and this means that many of the objectionable features which have been known to exist heretofore will be eliminated

ow that representatives of the association are to e present at each meeting.

One of the things that the new association will egulate will be the keeping of records made on the e. The National and American Trotting Associaons never paid any attention to time made over e and kept no account of such records, which, to ay the least, was not dealing fairly with the public, ho, after all, form the backbone of the sport.

The records of trotters and pacers on ice vary a reat deal more than they do on land, because the ondition of the surface of the tracks changes oftener nd it is a rare thing to find two tracks alike in the inter.

At Ottawa, when the races are held on the river, he horses may or may not race an exact mile, as the rack is made in a frozen body of water and may be ver or under the regulation distance, but at all other oints where ice meetings are held the tracks are of egulation size, consequently records made over them re authentic.

Up to this winter, all existing ice records were ade on halfmile tracks as no meeting has been eld on a regulation mile track, but this coming winer it is more than likely that all existing records ill go by the boards, as there will be a big meeting n the Mount Royal mile track in January, under the uspices of the Back River Jockey Club. This track s a mile oval and as many of the best horses of the resent day are to be at the meeting, new records re sure to be established.

The record for a mile on ice is 2:11½, made by he Eel 2:02¼ (now dead), on the Ottawa river, anuary 21, 1900. This was an exhibition mile gainst time. The race record for a mile on ice, :13¼, is held by Royal Grattan 2:06¼, made four ears later at Dufferin Park, Toronto. The Eel 2:02¼ nd Merry Widow 2:03¾ each paced the Delormier ark track in 2:14¼, in February, 1909, and this time tands as the local ice record. Both performances ere against time.—Montreal Star.

DEATH OF TWO GREAT MATRONS.

From New York comes the report that Nettie King (4) 2:20¼ and Portrait 2:23¼, two of the most highly prized brood mares owned by the Hillanddale Farm, Mamaroneck, N. Y., died within a few hours of one another. This pair of matrons have given the industry a number of very capable performers, Nettie King (4) 2:20¼ being the most prominent in a producing line.

Nettie King (4) 2:20¼ was by Mambrino King and out of Nettie Murphy by Mamlin Patchen, she having been bred by Village Farm, East Aurora, N. Y. The most notable of her foals were the The Abbot 2:03¼, one time holder of the world's trotting record; The Abbe (3) 2:10½, a notable futurity performer at the trot when a three-year-old, and when seven, the winner of his every Grand Circuit engagement, at the pacing gait, securing a record of 2:04; Bonington 2:04¾, one of the fastest trotters in 1915; The Huguenot 2:07¾, full brother of The Abbot 2:03¼ and The Abbe 2:04; King Bellini 2:10½, record made this season; Necia (3) 2:13¼, an exceptionally fast trotting filly which died early in the racing season of 1910 when she appeared to be the best of the two-year-old division; The Beau Ideal 2:15½, a noted show horse and sire; etc. Her record performers are as follows: The Abbot 2:03¼, The Abbe 2:04, Bonington 2:04¾, The Huguenot 2:07¾, The Abbe 2:10½, King Bellini 2:10½, Necia 2:13¼, The Beau Ideal 2:15½, The Mitre Bearer 2:19½, Stella Maris 2:23½, and Natoka 2:24¼.

Portrait 2:23¼ was by Alcantara 2:23 and out of Ethelberta (dam of four including Filipino 2:10½, and grandam of twenty, including Ethel Mac 2:07¼, Masetto 2:08¼, Tommy Mac 2:10½, etc.) by Harold; grandam Juliet (dam of three producers) by Pilot Jr. This mare also ranks as a producer of extreme speed, two of her offspring being members of the select circle and another trialled better than 2:10; her list being made up of Gazeta 2:06, Farfalla 2:09¾, Clodagh 2:11¼, Berta Bellini 2:15, Wakita 2:25¼ and Flora Bellini 2:29½.—American Sportsman.

When it comes to a matter of winter workouts the three-year-old pacing gelding Dixon Boy in Walter Tryon's stable at Sacramento seems to have the record for either old or young performers. Here at the exposition the Boy was unsteady and finished fourth in the three-year-old pacing division of the Breeders' futurity, showing some real quality by beating the flag in the third heat after being apparently hopelessly out of it earlier in the mile. Taken home, Walter kept working on him for a time and on Wednesday, December first, put Chris Jorgensen up behind him for a fair trial, Chris never having driven him before. The result was a nicely rated mile in 2:08, and to say that Chris and Walter were well pleased is putting things mildly, the enthusiasm bubbling over and flowing as far down the valley as the Marshall ranch in the Dixon country, James W. being breeder and principal owner of the lad. This Dixon neighborhood will butt into things occasionally in the horse line, and this fellow has a real Dixon flavor to him in addition to the name, his dam being Leota 2:23 by Diablo 2:09¼, grandam Trix Marshall (dam of Mona Wilkes 2:03¼, Aerolite 2:06¾, etc.) by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½. The latest comer to the list of extremely fast ones emanating from the Marshall establishment is by The Patchen Boy (3) 2:10¾, himself as game a three-year-old pacer as they make 'em.

NOTES and NEWS

The Californians sell next Thursday at Chicago—and here's hoping they sell well and to good people.

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Yearlings by J. Malcolm Forbes were in demand at New York, four of them selling at prices from $1,000 to $3,425.

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Sargo is the fourth 2:10 performer for the dead sire Keeler 2:13¼, the others being Chase 2:07¼, Onoqua 2:08¼ and Star King 2:09¼, the latter being the only pacer of the bunch.

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Our Colonel 2:03¾ has found a home in New England, E. B. Phillips of Danvers, Mass., being his new owner. The Colonel will probably shine in those down east free-for-alls on the two lap courses next season.

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Some of the published reports of the Old Glory sale confine themselves to the offerings selling for sums in excess of one hundred dollars, but complete returns show a good many that sold from a hundred all the way down to twenty-five dollars.

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Most of our contemporaries have announced Christmas editions for early dates, and the western horseman who does not subscribe for them regularly will find the money well spent that he sends in for these special numbers.

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J. Frank, who campaigned among others that good trotter Jim Ferry 2:09½, will winter at Pleasanton and endeavor to straighten out the notions of Impetuous Palmer (3) 2:05¼ to a point where he can make use of his great flight of speed.

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A yearling brother to the good trotter Kingbrook 2:07¼ is being given kindergarten lessons at Brook Nook Ranche and his preceptors think well of him, quite properly. He is growing into a very pleasing individual and has shown a forty gait in his early handling.

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Bob Smith, who went to Chicago with the California consignments to the Clark sale, will go on east for a flying visit to New York and Philadelphia, returning home about January first to take up the duties devolving upon him as secretary of the Pacific Coast Fair Association.

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Miss Perfection (4) 2:08¼, who wound up her season by trotting second to Peter Scott and trimming the redoubtable Mirthful at the exposition meeting, is running out at Pleasanton and having the time of her young life. She will not be taken up for several weeks, as she has no June engagements in 1916 and has ample time to be gotten ready for another whirl with the Grand Circuiters.

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Maymack 2:04½ and Bertha Carey 2:07¾, two good "standbys" of the MacKenzie stable, are running in the pasture at Pleasanton and have both gone to the races for the last time. The girls have earned their rest and will pay some good dividends in the future as brood mares, if all goes well with them, being scheduled for mating with Anvil 2:02¾ when the coming breeding season opens.

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Hal B. 2:04½, former premier speed sire of the Pacific northwest, is evidently appreciated in his Ohio home, having made a season of sixty-seven mares this year. Hal Boy's campaign has given him another boost and his patronage in 1916 will also be of generous proportions. The famous old horse is nearing his twenty-third year, but owner C. A. Barber of Williamsfield reports him in excellent physical condition.

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A recent letter from Superintendent Henry L. Miller of Brook Nook Ranche, Montana's last great breeding establishment, bears news of a most excellent crop of foals of 1915, in every way up to the Brook Nook standard. The ranche premiers have had fair additions to their rolls of honor during the season just passed into history, both The King Red (4) 2:20¼ and Letrado (3) 2:25 gaining three new performers. The King Red's trio is composed of Student King 2·23½ and the full sisters Sea Fire 2:23½ and Sea Waif 2:20½, the latter pair being out of Sea Queen (dam also of Eddy Current 2:16½) by Vice Regent. Letrado, who is himself a product of the Larrabee establishment, gained Negra 2:27, Ostara 2:25½ and Novela 2:15¼, the latter making a most pleasing campaign for John W. Stetson of Salem. Mr. Miller also called attention to the fact that Union Jack, shown so successfully at the P.-P. I. E. horse show by Miss Helen Farrell of Portland, is also by Letrado, so the get of this young sire are both trotters and show horses. Union Jack's registered name is Ling Bird and he is out of Lunula by Red Wilkes, grandam the famous matron Lizzie Chase (dam of Lizzie G. 2:09½ and three others) by Mambrino Patchen 58. Miss Farrell has added much to the Brook Nook name in the show ring, as her other sturdy prize winner, Old Glory, is also a product of the same establishment.

J. L. Dodge recently shipped a carload of trotters from Lexington to his winter quarters at Groveton, Georgia, many of them youngsters. Last season the Dodge stables at Groveton went up in fire, entailing the loss of the great filly Lady Wanetka (2) 2:10 and others, but the master of Hollyrood Farm never quit going and has assembled a fine band of prospects with which to "try it over."

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Dick Benson, who for some years has handled James Butler's thoroughbreds, has been spending a little time in California of late, coming out from the east to take in the closing days at the exposition. Dick had a most successful season last year and has a good string of candidates for 1916, as well as the winter season now in full swing. From San Francisco he made a side trip to San Diego en route to Juarez.

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J. N. Colomb has disposed of the two nice brood mares recently advertised for sale in this publication, Mary Gordon 2:09¾ (dam of Onward McGregor (3) 2:23¼) by Gordon, and Yolanda 2:14¼ by McKinney 2:11¼, the purchaser being the well known southern California horseman Bert Baker of Hill P. O., San Diego county. Mr. Colomb has also sold Mary Gordon's weanling filly by Vernon McKinney 2:01½ and the young lady will remain at Pleasanton and receive her education under the eye of C. L. DeRyder.

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A letter from Tommy Murphy under date of December second dictated from the safe refuge of a hospital bed brings news of a second operation followed by a confinement of several days. Out here Tommy couldn't stand for the confinement with easy money in sight at the exposition race course and he is one lucky man that the after effects were not more severe. All was serene at the time the letter was written both with Tom and his horses, the latter having shipped home in great shape without once developing a cold or a cough, and the lank Yank expected to be out and about in a few days, getting a few horses lined up for a reception committee for one Wilyum Gee Durfee when that gentleman hits the big line in 1916. Might we be there to see!

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T. E. Pollock of Flagstaff, Arizona, will breed the fast mare Blanche 2:06¾ to Copa de Oro 2:01 next season and from a casual glance at blood lines and performance it seems a safe bet that the resultant offspring will be a race horse. Copa de Oro is proving himself a real speed sire, and Blanche is by Menlow (a son of Mendocino) and out of Subito, by Steinway, grandam Jenny Mac 2:09 by McKinney. Subito's list now includes White Sox 2:05½, Blanche 2:06¾, The Lark 2:09½, White Sox 2:13¼ trotting, and Miss Rico (2) 2:21¼, as well as Aviator trial 2:08¼ as a three-year-old, who died before being raced. She is also the grandam of Rico (2) 2:12½, who figured in the season's two-year-old pacing stakes.

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Marvin Childs was among the visitors at the Old Glory sale and made a few purchases for Omaha horsemen, about the likeliest one bid in by him being Walter Cox' baby pacer Sad Thoughts (3) 2:06¼, the champion filly of her age and gait for the season just closed. She is by Bingen 2:06¼ and out of Pleasant Thoughts by Prodigal 2:16, grandam Extasy (2) 2:10½ by Baron Wilkes 2:18, etc. The young lady was up against General Todd in her stake engagements and after being given her breeder's record was taken east to the twice arounds, where she won four races in three weeks. As her winrace record is only 2:17¼ and she has shown her ability to pace either size track, she looks well worth the $1,225 paid for her.

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Jenny Scott, the eighteen-year-old dam of Peter Scott 2:05¼, sold at the Old Glory sale for $725, going to R. E. Allen of Lexington, acting for Dr. William Simpson. Bonnie Scott, the three-year-old sister to Peter , went to the same bidder at a thousand dollar figure and the two are now quartered at the Kentucky branch of Empire City Farm. Dr. Simpson also bought the old M. and M. winner Eleata 2:08½, two hundred dollars being the limit he had to go to get her. She is eighteen years of age and has not been especially successful as a brood mare. The others of the Scott family were divided, the two-year-old filly by San Francisco going to H. J. Schlesinger while Chas. Robson secured the yearling colt by Mainsheet, the former bringing a thousand dollars and the latter four hundred.

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Margaret Druien 2:03¼, Walter Cox' meal ticket when in fast company last season, topped the Old Glory sale at $7,500, an excellent price indeed when it is considered that she was purchased for breeding purposes only. She goes to Curles Neck Farm to be mated to The Harvester 2:01, Queen Abbess 2:03¼ and Lettie Lee 2:06¾ also going to the Billings establishment, each bringing $2,000. Expressive Lou (2) 2:15, the Atlantic Express—Lou Dillon filly from Curles Neck, sold to Wm. Crawford of New York for $3,000 and the weanlings by The Harvester sold readily at an average price of about three hundred dollars, the top price of $625 being paid for Harvest Czar, out of Zarrine 2:07¼ by Silent Brook. "Real horses" sold readily and well, though the ordinary run brought little, added testimony in support of George A. Ryan's argument that the trotter our breeders must produce is one that will really trot.

THAT DUAL PURPOSE COW.

The dual-purpose idea seems to have been revived, and a great deal has been written about it, pro and con. I do not claim to be an authority on the subject, but I should like to give my opinion, and what seems to be the opinion of the greater part of the farmers in this state. Ten years ago our principal crop was wheat. If we had any cattle at all they were kept mainly to provide the family with milk, butter and meat. As the land began to decrease in fertility we began to pay more attention to our cattle. Now they are an important branch in our system of farming.

In traveling over the country it seems to be true that wherever there is a farm that shows evidences of not being in a prosperous condition, either no stock is kept at all, or so-called dual-purpose cattle are kept. Wherever one finds a dairy community where special-purpose dairy cows are kept one finds a prosperous community, with fertile fields and modern buildings. The same is true on the larger farms on which beef cattle are kept.

If there is a community that has grown rich by raising dual-purpose cattle I have not heard of it. I firmly believe that this dual-purpose campaign is doing a great deal of harm to the cause of better live stock. Now the man who has scrub cattle that do not pay their keep is the proud owner of dual-purpose cattle. No doubt they furnish him with milk and butter, but they cost him dearly. As the steers he raises are of poor quality he sells them below the cost of production. The railroad hauls them to the market, a feeder buys them and they are shipped out into the country again. As they are of poor quality, and feed is higher in price, the feeder loses money on them, for they do not fatten easily. But when he sells them the railroads haul them back to market again. The railroads make the money on these steers, and it is they that have inaugurated this dual-purpose campaign.—Victor Swenson, Kandiyohi County, Minn.

In your issue of Oct. 28 appears an article headed "The Dual-Purpose Cow Discussion" by Victor Swenson. He seeks to leave the impression that farms on which dual-purpose cattle are maintained are lacking in evidences of prosperity, and that if there is a community that has grown rich raising dual-purpose cattle he has not heard of it. It is evident that he has not only limited his observation of conditions, but his thoughts and ideas to a narrow scope. There are perhaps in Mr. Swenson's Minnesota community, as in many others, men who have drifted into the notion of rating scrub, or no-purpose cattle as dual-purpose animals, but a study of the history of such stock will invariably reveal the fact that these are the natural outcome of mating a strictly dairy-bred bull on common or native cows, and it is no wonder that steers from that sort of breeding fail to make desirable feeders.

Mr. Swenson goes on to state that in his opinion this dual-purpose campaign is doing a great deal of harm to the cause, meaning no doubt the special dairy-breed cause, and charges the railroads with inaugurating it. As a matter of fact, some of the great railroad corporations, and the men most interested in them, have seen fit to lend assistance to a movement to improve the live stock in the territory which their lines traverse, and this is commendable rather than deplorable; but it is hardly possible to believe that a man who indicates familiarity with conditions outside of his own county could express the opinion that men with sufficient force and initiative to operate such great enterprises could be so short-sighted as to advocate the breeding of cattle that would not prove profitable for generations to the producers as well as their corporations.

I had the pleasure of visiting some of the leading herds of dual-purpose cattle in Great Britain a few years ago. I did not find conditions in that country like those described by Mr. Swenson. On the contrary I found the owners of such stock the most prosperous farmers in England. I think I am safe in saying that 75 per cent of the cows in England are of the dual-purpose kind. They are the Devons, Lincoln Reds, Red Polls, and Shorthorns. The larger part of the farms are under the management of tenant farmers, who have to pay high rentals and make ends meet. They are doing it too with double-decker cows, and the same kind of cows have been kept for many generations. Now if the special dairy-bred cow is so much better for these tenant farmers, why have they not taken them up long ago, as they are handy to the Island of Jersey, and to the Island of Guernsey? But no; they are sticking right to those dual-purpose cows, and a happy, contented, prosperous people they are. If Mr. Swenson could spare the time to take a trip across the pond, and study conditions over there, and on his return go carefully over some of the communities in this country inhabited by men who have realized the fact that there is a demand far in excess of the supply, owing to conditions with which he evidently has not kept pace, he would be in a much better position intelligently to take a hand in the dual-purpose cow discussion.—L. D. May, Bradford Co., Pa.

In the issue of Oct. 28 Victor Swenson makes some very sweeping statements about dual-purpose cattle assertions which it would be unfair to make about any breed of cattle. I doubt very much whether he has seen any herds of dual-purpose cattle.

Mr. Swenson says: "Now the man who has scrub cattle that do not pay their keep is the proud owner of dual-purpose cattle." This is a remarkable statement which it is almost foolish to deny. In the first place, scrub cattle are not purebred cattle, and cannot be called dual-purpose. They are just scrub cattle and that is all.

If Mr. Swenson would post himself on the history of dual-purpose cattle he would find that the foremost type, and some authorities claim the only type, of dual-purpose cattle is the Bates Shorthorn, first bred by Thomas Bates in England. Mr. Bates' ideal cow was one larger than the Scotch Shorthorn, a cow that would give a good quantity of rich milk. Mr. Bates realized his ideal and today something like 80 per cent of the cattle in England are of Bates breeding. These cattle have in the past brought very high prices, and today the demand for the true dual-purpose type is great.

Mr. Swenson states that on the unprosperous farms "so-called dual-purpose" cattle are kept. There is much abuse of the term dual-purpose these days. Many breeders of cattle which it would be impossible to call dual-purpose are advertising them as such. Mr. Swenson should not judge dual-purpose cattle by scrub cattle or so-called dual-purpose herds. He should journey to one of the real dual-purpose herds and see the large, beefy 1,500 to 1,700-pound cows which give a large flow of milk, yielding cream yellow and thick.

Bates dual-purpose bulls are so quickly snapped up at high prices that one seldom sees Bates Shorthorn steers. But if Mr. Swenson ever saw a Bates dual-purpose steer he would see a larger, beefier steer than he is used to, a steer that would bring near the top price in Chicago.

It is unfair for any one to judge any breed by merely seeing some of the cattle in farmyards here and there. So many farmers are poor cattle raisers and are so indifferent to the study of pedigrees that with them no breed of cattle would prosper. The breeder as well as the cattle must be judged. Honestly to judge any breed of cattle one should first study their history, their milk and beef records, and prices they have sold for, and then seek out several herds of these cattle which are owned by experienced breeders who have brought together the best families of the breed and mated them properly.

This year in England the dual-purpose Bates Shorthorn took first price over all other breeds.—W. A. Riddle, Franklin Co., Ia. —Breeder's Gazette.

THE YEARLINGS OF 1915.

[American Sportsman.]

However sharp and widespread the sentiment may be against training and racing yearlings, the fact remains that more than passing interest is taken in the performances of the precocious trotters and pacers. Three years ago, when 29 of the babies went into the standard list, feeling went so high that the system was all but broken up and there is a fresh outburst every time a yearling trained colt breaks down, as for instance when the magnificent Belwin last year, unbeaten in four races and in possession of a four-year-old record of 2:06¾, broke down. His tendons gave out as a result of the severe work that was necessary to develop him to a yearling record of 2:21¼. Scores of yearling trained trotters have broken down at two, three and four years of age, but the list of those that survived the grueling is limited to about five, of which Peter Volo, Adlon, Airdale and Belwin were prominent in four-year-old form.

Interest having revived again this year, the tin cup mill, as it is called, was kept grinding and the grist shows seventeen trotters and two pacers. This makes the yearling 2:30 list, which Freedom 2:29¾ started in 1890, consist of ninety-five trotters and nineteen pacers.

To offset criticism many have been content of late with merely dropping their youngsters into the list, but in Kentucky the opportunity of winning a championship is never lost. The yearling filly Anselila, having won so cleverly on Monday, November 8th, in 2:20, was started again on Wednesday and lowered the world's filly record from 2:19¼ to 2:17½.

Only one yearling, the colt Airdale 2:15¾, ever trotted so fast.

While this new championship was earned on Kentucky soil, the honors belong to California. Anselila is one of three yearlings by Prince Ansel 2:20½, which J. W. Considine, the theatrical magnate who recently established the Woodland Stock Farm in California, sent to Kentucky to be trained. All three earned records, and two are championships, for in addition to Anselila's filly record, Anselot 2:28½ is the first gelding to beat 2:30.

There is much of interest in the blood lines of these Prince Ansels, and it is here that attention centers on yearling development. There used to exist a tremendous rivalry between Senator Leland Stanford and Kentucky breeders for the colt records, and the great breeder in California so jealously guarded the records, particularly the yearling mark, that he never suffered it to be away from his Palo Alto Farm for long. After his death Palo Alto lost all the colt records save that greatest of all trotting performances, Arion's 2:10¾ to high wheels at two years, but Anselila now takes the yearling record back to California and to Palo Alto as well. Her sire, Prince Ansel, is a son of Dexter Prince, a stallion which Charles Backman bred at Stony Ford Farm in Orange county, New York, and son of Kentucky Prince and of a full sister to Dexter, second dam Clara. Senator Stanford also bought Electioneer at Stony Ford, and the last named being a more prolific sire, Dexter Prince was sold to "Whitehat" McCarthy. But Palo Alto had to bring him back under lease, when the Dexter Princes proved such vigorous race horses.

Prince Ansel is out of Woodflower, a genuine representative of Palo Alto blood lines, for she is a daughter of Ansel 2:20, a half bred stallion by Electioneer out of Annette by Lexington, that the Senator regarded so highly that he recommended him to Robert Bonner as a sire fitted to head the Bonner Farm at Tarrytown.

Now that the coveted filly record has been returned to California, the following tabulation of its complete history will be of interest:

1881—Pride by Buccaneer, son of Green's Bashaw, a Morgan horse (California)..... 2:44½
1881—Hinda Rose by Electioneer (California)..... 2:36½
1887—Sudie D. by Sherman's Hambletonian (Kentucky, October 15th) 2:35¾
1887—Norlaine by Norval, son of Electioneer (California, November 12th) 2:31½
1891—Bell Bird by Electioneer (California)..... 2:26¼
1891—Frou Frou by Sidney, son of Santa Claus 2:17½ (California) 2:25¼
1893—Pansy McGregor by Fergus McGregor, son of Robert McGregor (Kansas)..... 2:23¾
1909—Miss Stokes, by Peter the Great (Kentucky) 2:19¾
1915—Anselila by Prince Ansel (California)..... 2:17½

This was Mr. Considine's first year on the turf, and in addition to the world's records made by Anselila and Anselot, his filly Verbena Ansel reduced the yearling halfmile track trotting record to 2:26, and his colt Suldine reduced the trotting record for a two-year-old on a halfmile track to 2:13¼.

It is notable that Mr. Considine sent a fourth yearling to Kentucky last spring, the colt Senator O'Brien by Peter the Great, which added further to the fame of his new farm. Senator O'Brien did not win in championship time, but by taking a standard record he gives to his dam Carrietta 2:18 the honor of being the first producer of four yearlings in the list. Carrietta is a wonderful young matron, as her performers are by three different sires, while one of them, Sileni Brigade, trotted to a two-year-old record, 2:10¾, and another, Suldine, this year reduced the two-year-old record on a halfmile track to 2:13¼. Carrietta is by Directman, son of Directum 2:05¼, and her dam was a daughter of Goldsmith Maid's only son, Stranger.

Of the eighteen yearlings which took trotting records this year, seven are the get of J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, and swell his aggregate number to fifteen. When it is remembered that this son of Bingen and Santos is only eight years old and that most of his life has been spent in a training stable, his success as a prolific sire of precocious speed is marvelous. Noteworthy, too, is the place that his half brother, Peter the Great 2:07¼, son of Pilot Medium and Santos, holds as a colt sire, for he is second with eight to his credit. General Watts 2:06¾, of the Axworthy family, stands third, with seven. But as a tribe the Bingens are far in the lead as progenitors of yearling speed. Bingen 2:06¼ himself sired two, and six sons and seven grandsons have sired no less than thirty-three.

Charles Marvin, for many years the trainer at Palo Alto, was called a wizard in the development of colt speed, but his yearlings consisted only of Hinda Rose, Norlaine and Bell Bird, whereas of the present-day trainers the Lexington reinsman, Hunter C. Moody, has given records to twenty-eight, and Wickliffe Curry, also of Lexington, follows with a record of twenty-five.

The yearlings of 1915, with their breeding and drivers, are as follows:

TROTTERS

Anselila, b f by Prince Ansel 2:20½—Ila Moko by Moko; H. C. Moody..... 2:17½
Verbena Ansel, b f by Prince Ansel—Verbena Mack by Directum Spier 2:11¼; H. C. Moody..... 2:22
Emma Magowan, br f by J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08—Ivolette by Moko; W. Curry..... 2:22½
Princess Robey, b f by The Exponent 2:11¾—Miss Robey by Pactolus 2:12¾; A. Wishart..... 2:25
Una Bingen, b f by Albingen 2:18—Lucy Stoner by Baron Wilkes; H. C. Moody..... 2:25¾
Mary Magowan, b f by J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08—Irene Wiggins by Wiggins 2:18; W. Curry..... 2:26½
Katherine W., br f by J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08—Lyvolo by Cresceus 2:02¼; W. Curry..... 2:27¼
The Design, b c by The Exponent 2:11¾—Mardella by Del Mar 2:16¾; A. Wishart..... 2:27¼
Patsy P., b f by J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08—Bessie Hughes by Stammont 2:29¾; W. Curry..... 2:27½
Allee, blk f by J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08—Alice Lewis by Horace W. Wilson 2:19¼; W. Curry..... 2:27¾
Eloise Worthy, b f by Morgan Axworthy 2:17—Eloise by Wiggins 2:18; W. Curry..... 2:28½
Anselot, b g by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½—Lottie Whippleton by San Diego; H. C. Moody..... 2:28½
Great Night, b c by Caduceus the Great—Red Nightingale by Milton S. 2:08¼; M. O. Stokes..... 2:29
Senator O'Brien, br c by Peter the Great 2:07¼—Carrietta by Directman; H. C. Moody..... 2:29
The Combination, b c by The Exponent 2:11¾—Tramp Lively by Trampfast 2:12¼; A. Wishart.. 2:29½
Leonard, b c by J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08—Mendosa Worthy by Axworthy 2:15½; W. Curry..... 2:29½
Labe Riddle, b c by J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08—Ann Tregantle by Tregantle 2:09¼; W. Curry..... 2:30
Flashfast, b c by Trampfast 2:12¼—Little Rebel by Norval 2:14¾; A. Wishart..... 2:30

PACERS

Poorman, b c by The Northern Man 2:06½—Mary Lloyd by Vice Commodore 2:11; Long..... 2:19
The Sign, b c by The Exponent—White Hydrastis by Whitefoot 2:19¼; A. Wishart..... 2:21¾
Treadfast, rn c by Trampfast—Queen's Token by Parole 2:16; A. Wishart..... 2:23¼

The European war evidently is having little effect on the plans for the ice campaign in Canada this winter. The first meeting is scheduled for Hillcrest Park, Toronto, Dec. 23, 24, 25, 27, 30, 31, Jan. 1 and 3. Dufferin Park in the same city follows with a four-day meet, Jan. 6-10, and Delorimier Park, Montreal, comes in on Jan. 13-19, to be followed by the biggest meeting of the entire lot at Ottawa, Jan. 27-Feb. 2.—Western Horseman.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

Publisher's Note.—John X. DeWitt, "Jack" to all the rod and gun sportsmen of the coast country, who for many years has conducted this department as well as contributed largely to the sporting pages of the local dailies, has been an inmate of the Fairmont Hospital since the first of the month, a victim of valvular trouble of the heart. Friends will be pleased to learn that his condition is not serious and that he is on the mend, though the physicians in attendance prescribe absolute rest for some days to come. In the meantime, we crave the indulgence of the readers of this department, who will miss "Jack's" touch and pertinent comment upon local happenings.

AMONG THE OREGON WHITE-TAILS.

It is conservatively estimated that at least 5,000 deer were killed this past season in the pine-whiskered mountains of the southern Oregon coast country. That certainly looks like slaughter, but one must remember that the Coast Range of Oregon is a vast territory—a territory larger than some eastern states—and the deer and the wild things have a great portion of it to themselves. The game laws are strict enough, and good enough if enforced; and, thanks to the vigilance of the wardens, they have been as rigidly enforced in recent years as conditions would allow. When one man has a district one-half as big as the State of Massachusetts to guard, and much of that district an uninhabited wilderness, it is utterly impossible for him to nab every pot-hunter that goes beyond the limit or kills out of season. From August first to November first the Oregon woods are "open," and the man who gets his license and kills no more than five, will find no better hunting ground on all the American continent.

The resident deposits one dollar with the county clerk for the privilege of hunting a whole year in the Oregon domain; the non-resident pays ten dollars and by giving "pelt tags" may take the hides and meat out of the state.

The hunter may pack from almost any point on the railroad in Josephine or Jackson counties, but will find the larger places the most convenient. Supplies are easier to procure, and more direct trails lead from these. One may go just as "far back" as he pleases, for there seems no end to the wilderness once the border line is crossed. Yet a long journey is not necessary, so far as getting game is concerned. The writer made one trip by automobile from the mountain town of Grant's Pass. It was just an hour's drive from town—yet that hour's drive brought us to the pine-clad mountains of Murphy Creek, almost in the heart of the Coast Range. And out there, almost within shouting distance of town, the three of us killed six deer in three days, returning to the "city" on the evening of the third day. "Hunting deer by motor car" may be the twentieth century method of getting big game, but it must be admitted that the old-time plan is the best. The real sportsman, the man who is out to get all the recreation, who is out to fill his veins with rich, red blood, will get beyond "smelling distance" of gasoline. A pack pony and saddle-horse will be his modus locomotor, the heart of the wilderness will be his objective point, and all the days he can spare the limit of his sojourn.

There were three of us in a party who shut up shop, forgot the daily grind, and turned our ponies' heads toward the wilds of the Silver Creek country, in the heart of the Coast Range.

We followed Rogue River the first day, traveling toward the northwest, then left the main road and directed our course by the setting sun. A good trail leads from the river back into the primeval—a trail built long ago by the gold-hunters, but which is used enough each summer to keep it open. We camped the first night at the foot of Taylor Mountain, near the lower entrance to Hell Gate Canyon, a district that for picturesque grandeur and wild beauty is unsurpassed by even the far-famed Royal Gorge of Colorado.

The second day we climbed up, up, following the winding trail. Only at long intervals we emerged upon an open, usually the backbone of a mountain, then we would dive again into the impenetrable canopy. The second night we camped on a pinnacle of a ridge, well up on the slope of Peavine Mountain, whence we looked off across an endless array of purple ranges. We had seen deer signs during the afternoon, in truth, could have "set stakes" anywhere out there and "bagged the limit," but the hot desire of the Argonaut was in our veins, and we wanted to go on and on. It was good to know that the deeper we penetrated those wilds, the farther we left railroads and telephones and cares behind us. Tim, who was "general director" of the expedition, said we had one more day's travel ahead of us before we reached the "real hunting grounds."

But on the evening of the third day we reached the "promised land." According to Tim's best calculations we were seventy-five miles from any high-way wider than a pack trail, and perhaps a hundred miles from a place where a smiling-faced fellow, wearing a rather red nose, a curled mustache, and a white tie, would lean over the polished bar and inquire, "What's yours?" We were glad to be so far away from even such world-old temptations, and enjoy the genuine freedom of the mountaineer. My, my, what a land we were in—wide meadows of grass, knee-high to the ponies, where they could feed and feast to their cayuse-hearts' content; endless acres of flaming columbines; great patches of violets, forget-me-nots and verbenas. Very pretty, enchantingly beautiful the verdure, the gorgeous colors; exhilarating and invigorating the keen air, for we were at an elevation of 5,000 feet; and though we could have lolled in the shade and done nothing but drink in the ozone and the balsam, we denied ourselves that lazy luxury and made ready for the hunt. There are some who contend that the game hunter is a "wild man," a barbarian, whose thirst for blood is only satisfied when he slays the beasts of the wilderness. But the makers of these idle contentions do not know; the game hunter is not altogether a barbarian. The "wildest" of them enjoy the beauties of the forest, the grandeur of the mountains, the gorgeous coloring of a sunset, and are more deeply impressed by them than many who are favored with a bigger supply of superlatives.

"Tomorrow we'll have venison steak for dinner," Tim declared that third evening, after we had knocked the ashes from our pipes, spread our blankets and made ready for "rolling up."

"Amen," Si and I responded, with genuine gravity, for "trail grub" was getting monotonous. We were lulled to sweet slumber by the lonesome yapping of a coyote, and the hooting of a night owl near by. I awoke next morning with a delicious odor in my nostrils. Smoke was blowing over the blankets, and the crackling fire sent up a shower of sparks. Rolling over and opening my eyes, I discovered Tim busy with breakfast. It was yet early, but he had killed a quail, and had it frying in the pan. The coffee pot was steaming and the dutch oven giving off a smell of browning bread. No king ever ate a finer breakfast than that.

Before the sun stood a half hour over the saw-toothed range, we had shouldered our rifles and struck out for the day's hunt. Tim's plan was for Sid to strike over the ridge and take down a parallel canyon, for we had gone but a little way from camp when we came upon a trail of fresh tracks, deeply imprinted in the soft earth, and looking much as if a herd of yearling calves had passed that way. It was the trail of a deer herd, and it indicated plainly that the deer had gone along not more than an hour before.

"It's a big bunch of white-tails," Tim declared. "The moon is full now, and with bright nights the deer are feeding in the early morning; at this season they are herding. We'll find 'em in an open vale about a half mile from here."

A suggestion from Tim was equal to a command. So Sid took over the ridge. Tim and I proceeded leisurely down the canyon. We were to stalk the herd. So we kept the dog close at our heels. This is the better way, and the lawful way, but it requires patience, perseverance and hard work.

"The lay of the land, and the direction of the wind are just right," Tim muttered. Then I noted that we were coming down upon the herd, and going up against the wind.

Tim is a mountaineer, and he does things on the good, old-time plan. His reputation for deer stalking was not earned in a day. He is one of those grizzled, big-hearted men of the mountains who learn and acquire through the splendid school of experience.

"You keep close at my heels and do like me," he advised.

While I, nor any other man, would be able to imitate Tim, I watched him closely and did the best I could. So the three of us—the silent, lop-eared hound being the third party—moved silently down the canyon. We were getting near the herd now, and Tim's attitude was that of a chimpanzee—stooped, his long arms hanging low, his rifle almost dragging the ground. An hour of this and he dropped still lower, getting down to hands and knees. We were an hour getting through one clump of chaparall. Tim, mindful of every precaution, brushed each dry twig and leaf aside. He put his hands and knees down as softly, and with no more sound than that of a cat treading upon a rug. Whenever I snapped a twig, he would turn and give me a look from his grizzled face that made me think for a moment that he had murder in his eyes.

After getting through the chaparral the canyon widened and dipped more swiftly. "We must now go belly fashion," Tim said.

For the man who is looking for an exercise that will employ every muscle, fibre, ligament and bone in his body, that is guaranteed to increase his length two inches in as many hours, that will change him from a quadruped to a reptile, I heartily recommend traveling "belly-fashion." Imitating the wolf-man ahead of me, I dragged and snaked myself along for what seemed a mile, but which, in reality, was only a few hundred yards. To rest myself now and then, just as a swimmer will when wearied, I turned over and slid on my back, using my feet as a sort of stern-wheel profeller. It was hard work, slow work, but every real sportsman knows that the game is worth the price.

I could not raise my head to look, but I was confident now that Tim had sighted the herd, for we had slipped over the ridge and were sliding down the slope toward an open vale. I noted too, that the mountaineer used every intervening tree, bush and rock to cover our approach. We dragged on slowly, making our way inch by inch over the damp sod, and after another hour, came up behind a clump of manzanita. Here Tim took off his hat and cautiously peeper over. The hound was sniffing his keen nose and shedding tears, and though he trembled with impatience, a look now and then from his master was sufficient to keep him low.

The mountaineer gazed below a moment, then settled down and turned his face to me. A smile lighted his weather-beaten features. Though he spoke no word, I knew the meaning of that smile. I drew closer to the clump, drawing my rifle to a "ready." I had only a momentary glimpse of that scene below, yet it was so firmly, so indelibly fixed in my memory that I can recall every detail of the picture.

The herd was feeding not more than two hundred yards away. There were seven—two eight-pointed bucks, four does and a "spike." One of the bucks was a proud, noble fellow, who evidently scented trouble; and ever mindful of his charge, was listening to and fro, his keen nose listed to the wind, his crest held on high. Once he paused and looked directly toward us, then turned and tramped back toward the center of the vale.

We knew that Sid had long since reached his "stand" near the canyon below the herd, from which place he would get a "running shot" provided the herd came his way. So we raised up and took aim. I selected one buck, Tim the other. No sportsman will kill a doe when he has a chance at a buck. In fact, it were better if the game laws of every State protected the female deer, at least for a season considerably longer than that covering the bucks. In such regions as the southern Oregon country, even an amateur will find plenty of shots at bucks alone.

We drew bead—then Tim counted—one, two—

The rifles cracked as one weapon. Old Spot, the hound, who had been crouching behind us, his eyes fixed upon the guns, his mouth wide open, his sides heaving, leaped into the air with the report. He made a clean jump over our heads, and ran pell-mell down the slope. We jumped to our feet and scampered down the hill—I should say, we "tottered" down the hill, for that long crawl, that long drag "belly-fashion" had just about deprived us of our power of locomotion. We were some moments getting our cramped muscles adjusted.

In the meantime the herd was a brown, blurred streak down the canyon—safe behind the shelter of the forest before we could get in another shot. Tim's buck—the big, proud fellow—dropped instantly. Mine skipped, and I trailed after him, bitterly disappointed. This disappointment, however, was short-lived. Behind a great fir log, over which he had vainly tried to leap, we found him, crumpled in a shapeless, lifeless lump of flesh.

It could not have been more than a minute from the time we fired till we heard a long-drawn rifle report. It came from down the canyon.

"Sid's got a shot," Tim declared, as he whetted his hunting knife on his bootleg. And sure enough Sid did get a shot—a running shot it was—but it was true, and before we had drawn the bucks he came up, carrying the "spike" on his shoulder. "A one-year-old buck is better than doe any time," he declared, and in this we agreed.

That first day's stalk was but the forerunner of others equally as good—and equally as hard. What with the hunting and jerking, the long tramps and the peaceful smokes as we sat on our spread blankets near the glowing fire, the nights of heavy slumber, and the keen, crisp mornings—the days flitted by. Two weeks came and went before we were aware, and we reluctantly prepared our packs for the back trail—for the railroads, the telephones, civilization, and—the grind. But the office-racked nerves, the pale cheeks that two of the party took with them over that trail, were left out there in the wilds. In their stead were brought out veins throbbing with the blood of pure red corpuscles, cheeks ruddy with the tan of health and vigor.

"ENCOURAGING (?) RIFLE PRACTICE."

[Concluded from last week.]

Then having enjoyed this brilliant example of official obstruction and its results for a month or two, the said genius again broke loose, this time by rescinding the rule against the sale of arms to clubs, and putting in its place bait to make clubs think they really could get arms and ammunition.

The last scheme is this: Each club is given one or two certificates of standing—which, of course, could not be had from a list in the office of the Chief

of Ordnance and so dispensing with all this nonsense and delay. Said certificate states that the club is a club and has paid its dues. That is all it can state, because that is all the N. R. A. knows about its clubs.

Each order—which enables a lot of amateur riflemen to get at their own expense that which the militia get for nothing — viz., rifles and ammunition for target practice—must be accompanied by one of these nonsensical certificates.

Each arsenal from which supplies are needed in these orders must see the holy certificate, get well enough acquainted with it to call it by its first name, and in other ways hold it around for say a month at each joint, in addition to any delay at the office of the Adjutant General of the State, who may be a very efficient gentleman, or a red-faced politician who abhors the mention of efficiency.

So that order that calls for supplies—say from Rock Island and Springfield and Frankfort, or Benicia—is first duly anointed, blessed with the boob certificate and sent on its way to the office of a gentleman in charge of the militia forces of the state, which is because said gentleman has nothing to do with civilian clubs. That is logic, also efficiency.

Presently—sometimes—the order is split up and sent on its way. If you get rifles from Springfield going by the N.R.A. booklet, which is usually wrong, you have to pay an extra 10 per cent on the sling to cover the cost of its transportation from Rock Island. It is part of the rifle, but no differencia. It is surprising they do not charge you also 10 per cent advance on the cost of the stock, because that was not grown at the Springfield arsenal in the form of the tree.

So if the order goes first to this establishment, in due course of time—maybe in a month, if you're lucky—you get a communication to this effect, and you rush off the necessary seven or eight cents. In the meantime everything else stops and holds its breath so far as your order is concerned. Maybe the order and certificate first go to the Chief of Ordnance, I don't know, the time consumed seems ample for them to make a round trip to Mars.

As a case in point, on October 2 I shipped via Uncle Sam's mail to the commanding officer of Springfield 77 cents, covering 10 per cent addition on slings for some service rifles, and for which they were holding up an order amounting to about $100 and for which six or seven new members were sitting around and getting disgusted. On October 20 the order has not been received, although the arsenal was instructed to send it via express. This is called military efficiency, the same sort that will tickle the European invaders if they ever come over to visit with our red tape gentlemen, on strictly official business. Express takes six days from Springfield, mail takes five, total eleven days, which from the second counts up the thirteenth, leaving seven days of inefficiency, which would cause the head of the mail order department of any large house to lose his job were the delay brought home to him. Also, as the order is not yet at hand, there will probably be far more than seven days interval over the time that it should consume.

Quite evidently these precious certificates are sent in turn to each arsenal, a brilliant bit of business if this is true. As evidence, in this order in point, Rock Island sent on a rifle a club member desired, in some thirty days after the filing of the order.

Stores desired from Benicia, which is just 48 hours run by freight from Los Angeles, are not yet at hand, and the order was filed more than two months ago. Stores from Springfield are not yet at hand.

Logically, if the order were split and sent at the same time to all the arsenals, Benicia, being close to Sacramento, should have sent on its stores first, then Rock Island, then Springfield. Quite evidently it has to go through some red tape mill back at Washington.

The worst is yet to come, however.

We had two certificates. I don't know how many we were supposed to have. Mr. Wotkyns, the treasurer, sent in an order in June with a precious document. In some two months time the order showed up, but the certificate did not follow suit. From June to October this certificate, which is essential to ordering stores, has disappeared. The second was parted with in August, with a bunch of orders that had been maturing since the latter part of June and through July. We take in many new members and it has been particularly true this summer because of the formation of a Motor Reserve and a semi-military Scottish organization, the members of which joined the club to be able to shoot the rifle. Each man is compelled to pay $3.00 initiation fee and 50 cents a months advance for four months to order, as we desire to discourage the persons desiring to get government rifles by joining a rifle club.

These gentlemen do not pay their money for fun, they do not care to twiddle their thumbs through an indeterminate number of months after putting up initiation fees, dues and price of rifle, before shooting. No man likes to borrow rifles, nor to lend them.

Yet, because of the non-return of the first certificate and our fear that it would not come back, we were compelled to allow orders for rifles from new and enthusiastic men to lie and accumulate from the latter part of June to the latter part of August, and now that the order is in, the gentlemen punching up in June have, through the blatant incompetence of some boob not fit to hold a $10 job in a corporation that insisted upon results, are still without their rifles in the latter part of October, and they are not yet in sight.

Our fears as to the non-return of this certificate were well grounded; it is still missing.

Now is the pleasant situation that a number of other gentlemen joining the club are without rifles, without hope of rifles, and without incentive to remain in or to feel other than that we have taken them in by accepting their dues and not being able to deliver the goods to enable them to shoot. We have been unable to order since the latter part of August, two months ago. That order contained money orders for rifles dated in June.

We have as new members some of the most influential motor car men in Los Angeles, and we cannot get them rifles. Among our new men is Clarence V. Whitney, member of the Marine Corps rifle team of 1908, seventh in the Wimbledon of that year, who is paying his dues and hoping that we can get him a rifle so he can get back into the game.

How long would such absurd incompetency, such utter disregard of the difficulties and discouragements of civilian riflemen, be tolerated were the War Department and the National Rifle Association handled along Standard Oil or Ford Motor Co. methods? You answer the question from your own knowledge.

Any man brainless enough to be unable to evolve a better system for distributing government stores to civilian clubs, and still to make reasonably sure that they were not encouraging some commercial scheme, ought to be furnished with a pick and put in his proper sphere—with due precaution that he did not injure his own feet.

The whole certificate scheme is laughable in its simpleminded lack of common sense. If the question is as to the standing of the various clubs, lists from the N. R. A. can be furnished to the Chief of Ordnance and the club checked off by a $10 a week clerk when orders reach that office. Clubs do not lose their standing over night, they lose it only when they fail to pay their dues, that's all. True, the presiding genius once tried to run a huge bluff on us about not giving us our certificate because we were not shooting—ergo had not qualified for buttons the year before—in spite of the fact that we had done more shooting than any other club in the country and beaten the British in the season in a match for which we did not have to thank the N. R. A.'s star performer, or anybody else unrolling red tape.

However, after we'd discovered that only 62 clubs oue of the 300 had shot for buttons, and that only 60 some odd clubs had shot for the N. R. A. medal, which we had done, we called the bluff of this Senor, and called it hard, and the certificate came along.

I'd be curious to hear further from the gentleman about not shooting when a team of our clubmen cleaned up the championship of the country a month or so after our dispute with him.

However, getting back to some method of selling stores to the clubs—admitting for the sake or argument all the usual rot about sending the order to the Adjutant General, etc.—there is no reason whatever why the order should not go straight to the arsenals, why the arsenal commanders should not be furnished with lists of the clubs in good standing, and why the order should then not be sent out to the club buying precisely as an order would be sent out from any commercial concern in this country that did not have to build the goods to order. Then the club would get the order in not over two weeks, even though the order was for goods from the Atlantic seaboard for a club on the Pacific.

The new members would not be discouraged and "sour-balled," then the officers of the club would not get Hades for what is not their own fault, and then when a man joined the club and put up his money and wanted to get a rifle and make a rifleman out of himself at his own expense, he could get it within three weeks, because then in that happy day the club officers would fear immediately to send on the order lest they never get a chance to send on another.

So far as the statement in the N. R. A. bulletin about ordering every three months is concerned, comment is not necessary; it proves only the old tiresome fact that the controlling element of the National Rifle Association don't know the first principles of the civilian rifle club, and the difficulties experienced by the officers thereof in holding such clubs together under the most favorable circumstances.

The National Rifle Association passes the buck to the State Adjutants General, the Adjutants General pass the buck to the arsenals, the arsenals prove that they kept the order only long enough to fill it, say 10 days; nobody is responsible, and in the meantime the civilian rifle club members wait. They ought to wait, they have no license on earth.

All they do is to buy their clothes and their own rifles and their own ammunition and pay their carfare and provide their own ranges. Also they do not have to be clubbed into going on to a rifle range and shooting, even though they pay for their own ammunition. In all of these things they are different from the state militia—some 66 per cent of which qualified for any sort of grade on the range last year, with their free rifles and ammunition.

What we need is some new officials in the National Rifle Association and then somebody with, say two or three grains of initiative in his head to evolve a system for taking care of the shooting ambitions of the civilian rifle clubs about the country; the first move to make those old Krags available without filing more papers than would choke a cow, the second move to furnish an adequate supply of ammunition with them, the third move to furnish a rifle promptly to the man who is willing to buy it and use it.

Absolute incompetency marks the present system of" promoting rifle practice" by the board with the high sounding name, appointed for that purpose.

Los Angeles, Cal. RIFLEMAN.

OLYMPIC CLUB SHOOTERS GIVEN RATING.

A round dozen members of the Olympic Club of this city, members as well of the Pistol and Rifle Club which affiliates with the National Rifle Association, held a qualifying shoot over the state range at Manzanita recently, at ranges of 200, 300, 500 and 600 yards, the following scores resulting out of a possible 250:

Experts—J. D. Millikin, 222; C. W. Linder, 215; C. F. Armstrong, 215; S. T. Rogers, 211.

Sharpshooters—C. W. Randall, 209; R. Mills, 194; W. C. Prichard, 193; W. F. Blasse, 191; V. D. Cousins, 190.

Marksmen—G. L. Scoville, 185; B. P. Lapachet, 172; A. J. Reed, 169.

At the Pistol and Rifle Club's annual meeting last week the nomination of Dr. J. D. Milliken for the Pacific coast vice-presidency of the United States Revolver Association was endorsed, and officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, W. F. Blasse; vice-president, W. C. Prichard; secretary, V. D. Cousins; treasurer, A. J. Baker.

FAIR SHOOTERS UNDAUNTED BY SNOW.

The first winter's snow did not scare the Nemours shooters last Friday afternoon—four of them shooting their cup events over the Greenhill traps at Wilmington and making some very good scores, too.

To date Miss Hammond is high for the "Diana Cup" given by Mr. Ellwood A. Davis, of the Millard F. Davis Co., and Mrs. E. L. Riley is in the lead for the "High Handicap Cup," the gift of Mr. W. M. Hammond of the Hercules Powder Co. These cups are sterling silver and have been in competition since the first of October. The final shoot for them will be held December 30.

Scores (25 targets) follow: Miss H. D. Hammond 22, Mrs. Harry White 10, Miss Schofield 16, Mrs. E. L. Riley 16.

PUGH HIGH MAN AT VERNON.

William Pugh was high gun and also winner of the fourth round of the W. H. Wilshire trophy contest, held last Sunday morning at the Vernon Gun Club. The trophy shoot constituted fifty targets at distance handicaps. Several rounds of practice shooting was also participated in.

Pugh shot from the eighteen-yard range and broke forty-four out of the fifty.

A good crowd was out, considering the fact that the duck and quail seasons are open and are drawing many shooters to the fields and hills.

Keen competition was also displayed in the contest for the blackbird watch fobs in the different classes. The winners are as follows: Pugh, class A; Gruell, class B; Dierdoff, class C, and Mrs. C. E. Groat, class D.

Following are the scores:

	Targets.	Hits.
A. W. Bruner	100	78
Keeton	100	66
Fred Gruell	100	76
H. Hoyt	100	78
Mandavill	100	62
Dierdoff	75	62
William Pugh	75	67
C. E. Groat	100	78
Mrs. C. E. Groat	75	56
H. D. Blanchard	100	84
H. Adams	50	40
F. O. Funk	100	72
C. W. Clement	100	77
T. P. Smith	50	38
Guy Holohan	100	83
Dr. Packard	75	59
W. E. Muller	50	41

TRADE NOTES.

Showing fine form under the bad weather conditions, F. A. Priestly, of Camden, recently won the target shooting championship of South Jersey at the annual tournament over the traps of the Camden Association. A gale blew directly into the faces of the marksmen, causing the targets to do all manner of stunts. Mr. Priestly, shooting Nitro Club shells, scored 89x100, beating Lloyd Wright, who shot the same brand of shells, out of first honors by one target.

Everett Brown won high general average at a shoot held recently by the Wolcott (Ind.) Gun Club. Shooting Nitro Club shells he made an excellent score, break 147 out of 150.

At the Liberty (Ind.) Gun Club, recently, Walter Combs, shooting from 20 yards, won high amateur average with a score of 140x150. He used Nitro Club shells, as did W. Arvin, who, shooting from the same distance, took second honors, scoring 137x150.

Wm. Cross, of Camden, N. J., won the match for the Hineline Trophy. He broke 44 out of 50 targets shooting Nitro Club shells. This shoot was held over the traps of the Camden (N. J.) Shooting Association.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

INTERSTATE'S ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the stockholders and directors of the Interstate Association for the Encouragement of Trapshooting was held December second at Pittsburg, the reports of the various officers showing the association to be in excellent financial condition and the sport in general to be flourishing to a marked degree. During the season of 1915 there were held at various parts of the country 333 registered tournaments in which 8,140 shooters participated and at 332 of which a total of 4,814,260 targets were trapped, one tournament being yet to be heard from. These figures give an idea of the hold which trapshooting exercises upon popular favor, and under the association's aggressive policies the reports for the ensuing season will undoubtedly entail much larger aggregates. The reports of the various officers are full of "meat" and interest, and as a most concise and illuminative view of the general situation the complete report of Manager Elmer E. Shaner, to whose activities much of the organization's success may be attributed, is presented herewith:

I herewith submit my report as Manager for the year 1915. The statistical data, giving operations in detail, will be found in the reports of the Treasurer and Secretary.

The following excerpt from my report of 1914 applies fully to this year: "The season has been unquestionably the most successful in the history of the Association — more contestants participating, more targets being trapped and more money divided in the purses than during any previous year." Could a more gratifying report be presented? What makes this year's showing more emphatic is the fact that baseball and other high class pastimes suffered severely from the industrial lull which prevailed the land over during almost the entire year. In no locality did the blight of depression affect trapshooting to any material extent. This showing clearly indicates the popularity of the sport under the guidance of our organization.

The amended trophy plan, whereby the winners could make their own selections of prizes, proved to be a most popular custom and met with universal favor. It was unquestionably a step in the right direction. Though the idea entailed more general work and bookkeeping than was expected, the results attained justified the extra work placed upon the Pittsburgh office. While the season was in its infancy a plan was evolved whereby the work of this department was kept up-to-date. There were times, however, when our orders for trophies almost swamped the New York manufacturers from whom they were purchased, but, through increasing their engraving force, they were able to keep pace with the demand with slight delay. Nine hundred eighty-three (983) trophies, not including thirty-three (33) awarded at the Handicap Tournaments directly given by our Association, were distributed in all sections. They are permanent testimonials to the efficiency of the Interstate Association and its methods.

The change made last year whereby all applications for Registered Tournaments carrying requests for contributions had to be filed by February 15th, was also a step in the right direction. It enabled us to make a proper, fair and unselfish award of the Registered Tournament Fund. It also permitted us to arrange a satisfactory list of Tournaments with virtuallly no conflicting dates. At the outset some opposition developed against this plan, the objection coming from clubs which, though aided in past years, thought they should be given preference in this year's allotment of the Fund. Compliance with their demands would have been discrimination against deserving clubs which had not been favored in former seasons. While contributions could not be made to all, no worthy club was refused registration under our "Old Policy." A few clubs may not yet be reconciled to the new method, but there is every reason to believe that they will fall in line, for, as the season progressed, there was an evident decline in opposition to the new plan. My observation of the situation leads me to suggest a continuation of the present plan in order that clubs which held Tournaments this year under our "Old Policy" can be given contributions next year. Of course, clubs that received contributions this year cannot expect to receive first consideration in 1916. This plan will enable us to make an equitable assignment of the Registered Tournament Fund, but owing to the amount at our command each year being limited, it will require more than one season to accomplish this result.

Grand American Trapshooting Tournament.

Our members are so familiar with the success of this stellar event, that it is needless for me to call attention to the fixture. Its magnitude overwhelmed the trapshooting world. Imagine almost one thousand contestants taking part, and the trapping of three car loads of targets, and a fair idea can be formed of this wonderful Tournament. Its like has never been known on the planet. Consummation of this big event without a hitch is a tribute to the thoroughness of organization in all departments. I want to go on record as saying that the marvelous success of this Tournament was largely due to the loyal support given the management by the office force, which cheerfully worked all day and late into the night to perfect the many details essential to its proper operation. Only those on the inside can form a reasonable estimate of the tremendous task of conducting this stupendous event.

The Tournament was held on the lake front in Chicago and the largest gallery in the history of the recreation assembled during the five days it was held. It is estimated that 25,000 people witnessed the main competition. The location was a most fortunate one as it brought trapshooting to the notice of thousands who had never witnessed a target thrown from a trap. Undoubtedly a lasting impression was made on many visitors and the sport will surely gain from this grand demonstration.

While I am harping on an old string, now that the Association has accomplished its object and produced the world's greatest sporting fixture, I think it is time to call a halt on the scope of the Grand American Handicap and establish methods that will tend to minimize instead of maximize this event. Although I have so stated in more than one of my previous reports, I would again state that in my view it should not be the ambition of the Association to make the Grand American Handicap the largest, but the best in existence. In my opinion, we should not cater to quantity, in preference to quality, and that we should not cheapen America's blue ribbon event by reducing it to the level of a show. I am not alone in this stand as several of this year's contestants expressed to me their belief that the event was tiresome and that the sport was detracted from by the massiveness of the Tournament. One man aptly styled it "a round up." True, many sportsmen were highly enthused over the colossal affair and heartily congratulated the Association on its success, but I am confident a reduction in the entry list and a return to five traps would meet with the approval of a majority of the contestants who annually take part in this great event.

I would reiterate that there is no intent nor need to change the system, but to make the conditions more rigid. I feel confident that this would meet the views of the best sportsmen, who would rather fail nobly contesting under difficulties than win what might possibly degenerate into a barren honor, where conditions were such as to induce a multitude to compete, no matter how much outclassed.

I hope our members will appreciate the fact that my sentiment is uttered with all sincerity and that I have nothing but the best interests of the Grand American Handicap at heart, devoid of any selfish consideration whatever.

The Future.

The outlook for 1916 could not possibly be better. At this time all that seems necessary is adherence to those methods which have carried us along so finely to the present time.

In Conclusion.

I again tender our members my hearty thanks for their unflagging support, and in this I include our honorary press members for their unremitting courtesy and encouragement.

Very respectfully submitted,

ELMER E. SHANER, Manager.

THE PACIFIC SALMON.

[Robert Page Lincoln, in Rod and Gun.]

Shapely the form of the chinook;
King of the foam and the deep—
Wrought in the olive that decks him,
Shimmering silver his leap.
As, like a bolt of sharp lightning,
Up he speeds o'er the last steep:

Over the tumult and clamour,
Flung from the rapid and fall—
Onward and inland determined,
Held in that vision of thrall;
Chevalier brave is the chinook,
Truly the king of them all.

Ah, when the army came homeward;
Long live the king—he was dead;
Faded the beautiful glamour
And from him beauty had fled.
Nature had voiced: "Heed the ruling,
"Death—it's the price when you wed!"
—Chas. Henshaw Cameron.

Of the Pacific salmon, William Hornaday has very aptly said: "The salmon were made for the millions. The Siwash Indian eats them fresh in the summer, dries them, and later on freezes them for himself and his dogs in winter. The epicure pays for having the fresh fish shipped in ice to his table, wherever that table may happen to be. In mid-ocean the great American canned salmon is often the best and only fish afloat. In the jungles of the far East, in the frontier bazaar of the enterprising Chinese trader it bobs up serenely to greet and cheer the lonesome white man who is far from home and meat-markets. Even in the wilds of Borneo its name is known and respected; and he who goes beyond the last empty salmon tin truly goes beyond the pale of civilization. The diffusion of knowledge among men is not much greater than the diffusion of canned salmon; and the farther Americans travel from home, the more they rejoice that it follows the flag."

The industry of salmon packing is one of the most important upon this continent, and yearly adds to its importance as the demand for beef is lessened, or as beef grows more scarce. There were some past years when it seemed as though the destructiveness of the salmon fishers would eventually prove disastrous to this well known fish; but the fact that the fish hatcheries have been working overtime is proof of the perpetuation of the supply and there seems hardly anything to fear from that end, though in the year 1911 almost forty-four million salmon were taken out of Pacific waters, and these were not wee sma' ones at that. But at the same time five hatcheries alone in the year of 1911 stripped something like two hundred and seventy-seven millions of eggs from three of the notable salmon of the living Pacific group which will in time add to the already great supply that is feeding the markets of the world. The enormity of this business is quite lost upon one. At first it seems hardly conceivable and yet the extent of it cannot be exaggerated. Salmon canning saw its inception on the Columbia river in the year 1866, which was followed after ten years by canning plants in California, and later on, up to the year 1878, along the Puget Sound, upon the Frazer river, gradually making its initial start and its foundation in Alaska where today we witness the industry at its height. While mentioning Alaska and its connection with the salmon business it may be interesting to note that the year 1914 saw one of the greatest salmon packs in the history of the canning profession, the Bristol Bay district of Alaska marking a steady run of these fish, a run that has never before in the history of the trade been equaled. Every canning factory was worked to the limit and a scarcity of cans made further packing out of the question. The Nushagak river canneries rounded out their season with 546,200 cases of one pound tins, or forty-eight to the case—a most phenomenal pack; and this in the face of the common assertion that the Pacific salmon will soon be a thing of the past. It is admitted that the salmon canning business has gradually seen the withdrawal of numerous millions of this commercial fish; but it is yet a long look into the future before we can say that annihilation is the result of wholesale slaughter. Hornaday early remarked as follows regarding conditions in Alaska, in the perpetuation of this industry. He says: "The destruction of salmon comes about through the competition between the various canneries. Their greed is so great that each strives to catch all the fish there are, and all at one time, in order that its rivals may secure as few as possible. Not only are salmon taken by the steamer load, but in addition, millions of other food fish are captured, killed and thrown away. At times, also, it happens that far greater numbers of salmon are caught than can be used before they spoil. A friend of mine told me of the throwing away of sixty thousand salmon at one time, near a cannery in Prince William Sound in 1900; and again the similar throwing away of ten thousand fish. So something like seven hundred thousand pounds of valuable fish were in that year alone, wasted. In the Kadiak and Chignik districts, the catch of salmon decreased from 360,000 cases in 1896 to 90,000 cases in 1898 and in 1899 it was almost a failure. In many of the small Alaskan streams the canning companies built dams or barricades to prevent the fish from ascending to their spawning beds, and to catch all of them! In some of the small lakes the fishermen actually haul their seines on the spawning grounds. In 1903 I recorded a warning of the impending destruction of the Alaska salmon industry, and demanded strict governmental regulation. It is a pleasure to state that notwithstanding the enormous annual drain upon them, and the reckless and wasteful methods of fishing that once prevailed, the salmon fisheries of Alaska are still holding up remarkably well. Ten years ago there were grounds for grave apprehension regarding the future salmon supply of Alaska, but Congress placed those fisheries under the control of the United States Commissioner of Fisheries, giving him arbitrary power to close against the fisherman any stream or streams that seemed to be in danger of exhaustion." The year 1913 witnessed one of the greatest catches of salmon in the waters of Alaska. In the twelve months of 1912-1913 close on four million cases were packed; and in 1912 upwards of eighteen thousand people were employed in the sixty-five salmon canneries that were operated in Alaskan territory, showing the immensity of the combined Canadian and American industry. That the future will see even a greater impetus in this remarkable trade there can be little doubt.

In the salmon of the Pacific we have some interesting fish to consider, and because of their importance I have decided to give the subject careful attention. First in consideration therefore is the genus of the fish. It should be made known that the salmon of the Pacific are not in reality salmon, of the genus Salmo (as are the Atlantic species), but are of a separate genus, Oncorhynchus, to be exact. It should be remarked, however, that there is not a wide range of difference between these species. The bones, or the rays of the anal fin form the main means of distinguishing the genus Oncorhynchus from Salmo; in the former genus there are noted from fourteen to twenty bones in the anal fin, while in the latter genus there are but eight to twelve. There are also more branchiostegal rays (the bones that support the gill covers), in the Pacific salmon; also noticeably more of the gill rakers. However, the anal rays form the principal means of identification if so desired.

Five individuals make up the salmon species of the northern Pacific waters, and to this list might be added another, a salmon found along the Japanese coast, known as the masu salmon (Oncorhynchus masu), though this same salmon is found along the North American coast as well. It is, however, in this category, left out; as we are concerned with the most noted of these fish. In the Chinook salmon (Oncorhynchus tschawytscha) we have the foremost and practically the leader of them all. As a commercial fish he leads in value and is the most sought after by the canneries.

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THE FARM

STANDARD INSECTICIDES AND FUNGICIDES versus SECRET PREPARATIONS.

[By Geo. P. Gray, U. of C.]

No small part of the correspondence of the Insecticide and Fungicide Laboratory of the University of California is in answer to questions concerning the composition or value of various proprietary remedies which are being offered for sale for the control or eradication of insects or fungi. The following is an abstract from a letter which is more or less typical of many which have been received:

"Under separate cover I am sending you a small sample of a preparation which is being used and offered for sale in this district as a secret cure for . . . The man who is introducing this medicine claims great and mysterious things for it and is charging an extremely exorbitant price for the same. In one orchard, for instance, he treated something like 300 trees and claimed that his medicine cost $285. I desire very much to have an analysis of this material. I have assumed that it is merely creosote or some similar substance with . . . coloring matter in it. The man claims, however, to have some other mysterious substance mixed with it."

Very often the promoters of "secret" remedies either claim or imply certain mysterious properties for their compounds and "new discoveries" are frequently mentioned. The statement is commonly found that "years of study have been spent in the perfection" of such preparations. During the four years' operation of the California Insecticide Law, scores of proprietary insecticides and fungicides have been analyzed. In no cose could any mysterious or costly substance be found by the most searching examination, nor could any substance be detected which had not been made public as a remedy for insects or fungi. Based upon this experience, a study of the published writings on insecticides and fungicides, and of the formulas on file in the office, it is concluded that the most noteworthy "discoveries" and "secrets" in this class of goods consist not in the discovery of the insecticide or fungicide itself but the discovery and keeping secret of efficient and cheap coloring matters, or powerful and pleasant smelling perfumes to mask the presence of some very common remedy. The mysterious and wonderful properties ascribed to them are too often found on the outside of the package composed of printer's ink, rather than upon the inside of the package. Among illustrations of this kind may be mentioned the coloring of borax with iron rust, the sweetening of the odor of kerosene with oil of citronella, the coloring of carbon bisulphide with idodine and masking its tell-tale odor with oil of mirbane.

The most recent instance of this kind that has come to the attention of the laboratory is a red powder which is being offered for sale in the state under the name "Treevax," probably intended to catch the fancy of the public under the guise of a supposed tree vaccine. It is said to be manufactured by the Treevax Company of Hicksville, Ohio. Special mention is made of this compound for the reason that it is believed that the method of application is such as to place in jeopardy the life of any tree to which it may be applied.

A sample of "Treevax" has been analyzed by the laboratory and found to be of approximately the following composition:

Potassium nitrate (saltpeter)	2 parts
Sulphur	5 parts
Iron compounds (principally oxides and carbonates)	1 part

According to the best information available, such a mixture is practically valueless as an insecticide or fungicide when placed in a hole bored into the trunk of a tree, as directed in the circulars. The retail price of the most expensive ingredient (saltpeter) is only about twenty-five cents per pound, even at "war prices." The price of "Treevax" is $2 per pound.

Very alluring and extravagant claims are made in the circulars accompanying the package. The following are some of the statements made: "Treevax kills San Jose Scale, Caterpillars, Lice, Borers and many insects that feed upon leaf, branch, roots, or fruit, without injury to either. Blight—the enemy of the pear tree, is conquered by Treevax."

The above claims appear to be based largely upon the experience of a certain lady of Hicksville, Ohio, who testifies that she had a very valuable pear tree on her lot which was badly affected with the blight and that after treatment with "Treevax" "The tree soon took on new life and a healthier tree cannot be found than my pear tree, and it was just loaded with fruit." According to the circular, a quantity of the pear juice was extracted from the pears grown by the owner of this valuable tree and subjected to bacteriological and chemical analysis and found free from any injurious impurities Pictures are also shown of a certain Ohio orchard (consisting of sixteen trees) which had been treated with "Treevax" in comparison with an orchard which had not been so treated.

An effort is made in the advertising matter accompanying the package to create the impression that the compound and method of treatment are based upon scientific principles. The statement is made that "years have been spent in perfecting the compound." The directions for use and the testimonials are most unscientific, however. It is presumed that the best of the testimonials would be selected for the advertising matter, but those given are not calculated to greatly impress the scentist. The lady's pear tree and the sixteen-tree orchard which were rescued from an untimely death do not constitute sufficient evidence to warrant the statement appearing on the circular that "The Treevax treatment is based on the same scientific facts as are now commonly accepted by the medical profession and it is creating the same revolution in the treatmentof diseases of plant life that has already taken place in the treatment of human ills." The promoters can not be very familiar with the habits of scale insects, for it is directed that "All dead limbs should be trimmed or cut off tree. This is very essential for a dead limb has no sap and if left on scale or other pests seek refuge on it, hence full benefit of the treatment is not realized." Tis direction is printed in large type. The removal of dead limbs might be a benefit to a tree affected with blight, but one does not need to be a trained entomologist to smile at the thought of scale or other pests seekinf refuge on the dead limbs of a tree and there starving to death, of course, for the want of sap or other nourishment.

The most insidious feature of the application of the material is believed to be the effect of the "plugging" of trees by inexperienced hands. The directions for use are to bore a hole in the tree, fill with the powder, drive in a hardwood plug and seal over with grafting wax. This question has been discussed in the publications of several experiment stations and in other literature. A summary of some of the experiments and conclusions has been made in the California Cultivator of April 22, 1915, and orchardists are advised of the futility and probable harmfulness of applying the known remedies in the manner under discussion.

Present or futre investigations may disclose an effective and safe way to control insects and fungi by means of remedies carried by the sap of trees. At present, however, there is no satisfactorily demonstrated method of this kind which may be used by unskilled hands, nor is it at all certain that r remedy can be thus applied, even by the expert, in sufficient strength to destroy insects or fungi without injury to the tree.

It does seem certain, however, that a mixture of saltpeter, sulphur, and insoluble iron, selling at $2 a pound under the name of "Treevax" is a rank fraud and can have no legitimate place among the remedies in use by the fruitgrowers of California. The most serious menace of the compound is that some one may be misled by the confident assurance of the promoters and bore his trees full of holes, be further misled by the stimulating effect on the foliage of the soluble nitrate, and not realize his mistake until his trees begin to suffer from the effects and wood rot many months later.

It is not intended by the above discussion to imply that all proprietary preparations are worthless, for many have been examined which are valuable and reliable remedies, but are on the market under names which do not convey any idea of their composition. Some of them are being sold at their true commercial value, the name being used only as an identification mark to designate certain characteristics or quality or worth of the particular preparation. There can be no objection made to the use of a trade name or brand or trade mark in connection with a standard material and, in fact, it is quite often desirable. Furthermore, if an actual discovery of some new insecticide or fungicide has been made, there can be no objection to the use of a coined name to designate the product. If the composition of the material is disclosed (but not necessarily the mode of manufacturing or compounding), the product may be properly recognized as a standard remedy, if tests show it to be worthy.

The fact that an insecticide or fungicide of secret composition is sold under a trade name does not necessarily condemn the preparation, but it does place it under suspicion, for the following reasons:

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STANDARD INSECTICIDES AND FUNGICIDES versus SECRET PREPARATIONS.

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jurious and impose it upon the consuming public.

2. No standard can be made for proprietary medicines. Their composition is entirely according to the desire of the manufacturer and may be changed at will.

3. Copyrighted names are often taken advantage of to obtain a higher price for a common remedy than could be obtained by the use of the real name of the material.

4. Certain mysterious and wonderful properties may be claimed or implied for a compound sold under a coined name, and obtain greater credence than if the composition were known.

5: The United States Department of Agriculture and the Agricultural Experiment Stations of the several states are expending thousands of dollars each year in making a study of the standard insecticides and fungicides. Recommendations are made for their use based upon careful experiments, as to what materials are best adapted to meet the different requirements, what materials may be safely mixed, and giving precautions to be observed in their use. To the consumer who is using the standard remedies, all this information is available. Such, however, is not the case for the one who is using a remedy sold under a trade name which conveys no idea of its composition.

If the prospective user appeals to his County Commissioner of Horticulture for advice about the use of a proprietary remedy or goes to the Pniversity Experiment Station for help, the available information must of necessity be limited, for it would be an absolute impossibility to test out individually the thousands of materials offered for sale under trade names. Furthermore, if this could be done, thtere would be no assurance that the manufacturer would not change the composition of his product whenever he saw fit, and continue selling the new preparation under the old name. A secret remedy is compounded in accordance with no standard except the desire of the manufacturer.

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In a survey of the western part of Johnson county, the department found that the size of a farm business has a close relation to the income which the farmer receives for his work and that small owners may often enlarge their operations by renting additional land. This part owner stands with the owner in the social matters, both from the standpoint of the individual and that of the community which he is helping to improve. In fact, in the region surveyed, he spent even more for his family living than the man who was renting no land. This includes what he grew on the farm, and he was more nearly self-sustaining because he produced a greater portion of his living on the farm and bought less of it at the stores. The interest chargeable on his total investment was less than two-thirds as great as in the case of the owner, for the total investments were $7,633 and $12,555 respectively. It must be remembered that even after renting some land from others, these owners had only about 7½ acres more land apiece than the owners, and 10 acres more than the tenants with whom they are compared. The actual figures were 143.6, 135 and 133.5 acres respectively.

To a considerable extent the matter may be summed up by saying that the owner made a labor income of $314 a year on 136 acres, the part owner $456 on 143.6 acres, and the tenant $531 on 133.5, but many people would be willing to pay the additional $45 a year for the advantage of knowing that it would not be necessary to move in a year or two, make new friends, and establish a system on a new farm. The difference between labor income the part owners and tenants have is more than counterbalanced by the higher standard of living of the part owner who spent $64 a year more on family living. The average owner in that region probably does not realize that his labor income is as far below that of the tenants or part owner as Mr. Johnson's figures show. He does not realize that so great a portion of what he regards as income is not income from his labor but from the money investment which his land represents.

HOG BUTCHERING NOTES.

Butcher hogs at home.

Give them water but no feed for a day before killing.

Zleed the hog with an eight-inch straight-bladed knife.

Be sure bleeding is done before scalding or the skin may be left too red.

A heavy blow with an ax between the eyes will stun the animal before sticking.

The meat may spoil if the animal is excited before killing, or the weather is warm afterwards.

Scrape as quickly and rapidly as possible after scalding. The cold carcass is hard to scrape well.

Bleeding will be finished more quickly if the animal lies on a steep slope with its head down hill.

Keep the hog moving in the barrel. If the animal is left pressed against the barrel the hot water cannot get at that part of the carcass.

Scraping is easier if a shovelful of hardwood ashes, a lump of lime, some concentrated lye, or a handful of soft soap has been added to the water.

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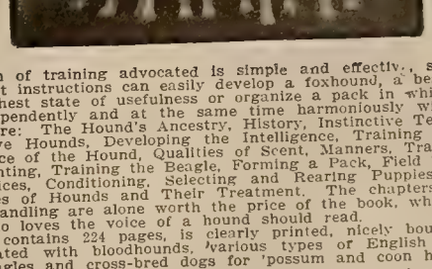
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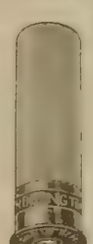
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RICO (2) 2:12¼.

Last week we reproduced on our cover page a very fair likeness of the two-year-old pacing colt Rico (2) 2:12¼, but the little story that should have gone in the same number was crowded off this page by the critters that were bound for the sales. Now that they have been properly attended to, however, we will endeavor to pay a little credit where credit is due.

In the spring of 1912, before leaving Los Angeles for his eastern campaign, Will Durfee mated a number of mares to the three-year-old trotter Manrico, then merely a "good colt," but destined ere the season closed to achieve a world's record and win one of the greatest Kentucky futurities ever trotted. Among these mares were My Irene S. and Subito, both famous producers at this writing, and Pavlowa B., a daughter of Petigru and Subito who was injured in a runaway during her breaking and was consequently never marked, though showing a trotting trial of 2:21. All three of these mares foaled in safety, My Irene S. delivering the chestnut colt Manuelito for which Clarence Berry paid twelve hundred dollars when it was only a week old and which has progressed nicely in his early education; Subito foaled the brown filly Miss Rico (2) 2:21¼, winner of second money in the P.-P. I. E. stake for two-year-old trotters in June, while Pavlowa B. gave birth to the youngster whose name tops this little sketch.

Now "W. G." usually enters his colts all the way through in the stakes, but for once he overlooked his hand and failed to enter Rico in the exposition events. Nevertheless he brought him along when the stable moved up from Los Angeles and had the pleasure (?) of seeing the two-year-old pace won in time which his colt, comfortably munching hay in the barn, could shade handily. This was annoying, of course, but as William annexed some seventeen thousand dollars with other members of his band he was able to bear up under the strain in fair kind of shape.

While left out of the exposition stakes, Rico was entered in all the regular futurities and was given a pretty stiff "prep" during the summer and early fall, taking his record of 2:12¼ in a time performance on October 19 at Los Angeles. On November fourth at the exposition track he was beaten in eyelash finishes by Verna McKinney in the Breeders futurity in 2:13¾ and 2:13¼, and on November 12 won the State Fair futurity over the same course in 2:21¾ and 2:20¼, the rains of early in the week having made the going very bad. At Pleasanton, where he tangled up again with Julia M., Verna McKinney and Surety he was a winner by a very narrow margin after having contested the race of his young life, taking a winrace record only a quarter of a second slower than his breeder's mark. He is a free legged, rugged sort of a colt, good sized and a good doer, behaves well in company, stands strenuous teaming on the end of a mile and all around bears the marks of a high class youngster.

While not a world's champion two-year-old pacer by a matter of several seconds, that other Californian, Directly, having had a half-nelson on said championship for over twenty years by virtue of a two-year-old performance in 2:07¾, he is nevertheless, of championship calibre on a more limited basis, his championship being of the "seasonal" variety, no two-year-old pacer having eclipsed his performance in 1915. Small favors are gratefully received when larger ones are out of reach, and California expresses her appreciation of one more little bit of recognition by the Year Book and turf journals as being the birthplace of champions.

Rico was bred, trained, raced and until quite recently owned by Will Durfee, but is now the property of Clarence J. Berry of this city, Durfee and Berry having indulged in a heart to heart argument some few days ago regarding the respective merits of Rico and The Lark, the latter then owned by the San Francisco sportsman. The battle did not go to a decision and resulted in a draw whereby Durfee got the mare, while Clarence is stuck for Rico's training and feed bills in the future. He will also collect his winnings, and if our dope factory has not slipped a cog the lad's account will show a balance on the profit side all right.

GOOD ENTRIES IN THOROUGHBRED CLASSICS.

Entry lists are one of the safest and soundest mediums for judging racing conditions from the standpoint of both horsemen and public, and from the patronage accorded the stakes to be run during the coming season in New York, entries to which closed the first of the present month, it would seem that the "thoroughbred revival" in the eastern portion of the country is a genuine re-establishment of racing and breeding. Saratoga's feature events have previously been regarded as well patronized when as many as seventy-five entries were received for such fixtures as the Grand Union, the United Hotel and the Spinway stakes, the latter being for fillies only, but the two first mentioned events for 1916 have attracted 126 entries each while the Spinway received 109. The Hopeful, with a guaranteed value of $17,500 and a starting cost of $400 per entry, has received 129 nominations, and for the Grab Bag Handicap there are 55 subscriptions, the former record having been but 38.

For the Belmont Park meeting the Metropolitan Handicap has 57 entries as against 37 in the last event of the series; the Suburban Handicap has 53 nominations and a like increase has been effected in the manner in which the minor events have been received, all of which is most gratifying. The more prominent of our western stables and farms are well represented, and California's reputation promises to be right worthily upheld.

THOROUGHBREDS GATHER AT TIA JUANA.

Tia Juana, from recent advices from the Lower California Jockey Club, will have an ample supply of horses for the hundred days of racing which begins on January first. On Thursday of the present week there were 136 horses already stabled at the new plant, 140 more were en route from various points, and a total assemblage of not less than 400 was confidently expected. The book for the first week has been announced by Handicapper Dick Dwyer, six races a day being the schedule, with no purses less than three hundred dollars.

HUMAN FRAILTIES.

"I would not wear those pantalettes,"
Said modest Gertie Pease,
And then she hurries out and gets
A skirt up to her knees.
—Sharon News.

"I would not wear so short a skirt,"
Said Myrtle Goldilocks,
Then she tripped down the avenue
A-wearing rolled-down socks.
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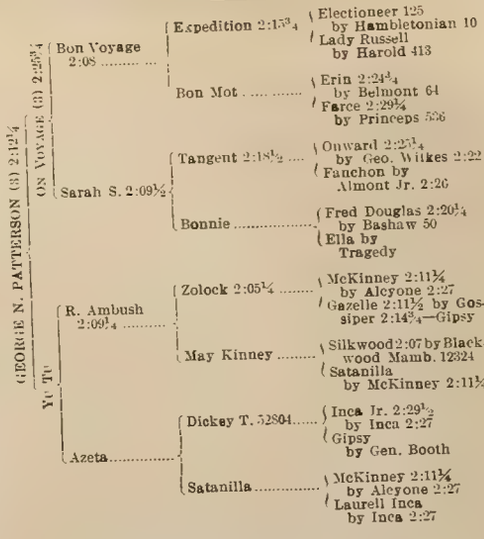
"I would not wear those rolled-down socks,"
Said Maudie Mabel Stout;
Then threw her "summer furs" away
And turned her wishbone out.
—Memphis Commercial-Appeal.

"I would not leave my chest so bare,"
Said plump Matilda Mack,
Whose newest evening gown is open
Two feet down the back.
Charleston (S. C.) News-Courier.

"I would not show my back like that,"
Said slim Maria Brown,
Who wears a sort of tennis net
She calls an X-ray gown.
—San Francisco Chronicle.

"I'd be ashamed to wear that thing!"
Blushed demure Daisy Schmitz;
But you'd scarce note the skirt she wears
For rubbering at its slits.

GEORGE N. PATTERSON (3) 2:12¼.



Fifth Dam Fairy Queen by Echo 462

George N. Patterson, whose tabulated pedigree appears herewith and of whom we present a photographic likeness on the cover of this number of the Breeder and Sportsman, enjoys the distinction of being the fastest Pacific coast three-year-old trotter of the season of 1915, both by public performance and, we believe, private trial, his work this spring at Pleasanton a trifle on the fast side of 2:10 being the fastest journey of its kind that we recall just at present. He was the only local three-year-old trotter to make an eastern campaign, and after having been given up for dead upon his arrival at the end of his first eastern journey from Pleasanton he rounded into form and went some most excellent races on the Great Western Circuit, winning a fair share of them and acquiring a record of 2:12¼ at Galesburg. Here at home he won the Stanford stake in the mud, the race throwing him out of condition for his final engagement in the Breeders Futurity, in which he was looked upon previously as the contending colt.

While George N. Patterson has spent his life here in California, save when away campaigning, and has received his education and racing at the hands of Homer Rutherford, it would seem that he has failed to heed President Wilson's admonitions as to preserving a strict neutrality, and has evidenced very pronounced pro-German symptoms. This statement may be challenged by some "doubting Thomas" who fails to realize that a horse may have preferences in such matters, but we submit as a matter of record the fact that by far the majority of his aggressive operations have been directed against the Allies—Watts and Lou. There have been charges and counter charges, retreats and victories, and while it may be remarked that he was successful in a number of his attacks upon the enemy's central formation, his operations here against the "west wing" of the Allies was far less productive of glory. These matters, however, are merely "by the way."

The tabulation appearing above shows rather unusual combinations of blood lines, and we would like to have an expert opinion as to the exact status of the relationship between George N. Patterson and some of his maternal ancestors. Nobody is barred and as many of you as choose to do so may all speak at once.

THE REVIEW CALENDAR.

As has been its custom for some years, the Horse Review has issued its calendar of champions for nineteen hundred and sixteen, the champions, of course, being those of the season just passed into history, in some instances world's champions as well. None of the pictures used have appeared in a previous calendar, and the new publication, ornately designed and put forth in five colors, forms an attractive as well as useful ornament to the office or den of harness horseman the world over. The horses whose likenesses appear are Bingen Silk (2) 2:08¾, Mary Putney (2) 2:05½, Nathan Axworthy 2:09¼, Peter Mac 2:03½, Peter Scott 2:05¼, Suldine (2) 2:12, Volga (2) 2:07¾, Directum I. 1:56¾, Hal Boy 2:01½, Russell Boy 2:02¼, Sadie Densmore (4) 2:02, and William 1:58½, certainly a most representative assortment.

Horses at the Mounted Service School

The principal cavalry post of the United States is located at Fort Riley, Kansas. It lies in a typical limestone region, supports many native prairie grasses, and, barring summer heat, is an ideal horse district. About 22,000 acres of land are within the confines of the reservation, largely hill country, broken in contour by sharp ravines. In such surroundings the Mounted Service School of the United States Army has acquired an efficiency rivaling that of the famous French cavalry school at Saumur.

The cavalryman's ideal is a Thoroughbred horse. In spite of the admirable qualities of the standardbred, the saddle horse and Morgan, military experience has found nothing that can quite equal the English breed of running horses. In courage and endurance they believe they excel the American saddler, while their type ranks them superior to the Morgan and standardbred. There are many things about Morgan conformation that would make them desirable cavalry horses, but they are permanently barred from the service through lack of size. The standardbred has the size, endurance and courage, but is too long in back and coupling, too straight in shoulder and too sloping in croup to meet the specifications.

The right kind of a standardbred makes an admirable artillery horse, as many first hand observers of the present European conflict can attest, and it is really superior in the cavalry service, because of endurance and courage, to many of the continental breeds of horses that possess more suitable conformation. However, the English cavalryman finds his mount of Thoroughbred blood much superior, and the American service recognizes the same fact as a result of its own experience. The best horses in each troop in the American cavalry are almost without exception high in percentage of Thoroughbred blood. Desirable types of these geldings are so scarce, however, that their price is almost prohibitive, and the onliy means by which the Mounted Service School obtains a reasonable percentage is by the purchase of the less promising animals in the various stables of the country as two- and three-year-olds. Most of such horses are from quarter-blood to three-quarter blood, with occasionally an inferior purebred among them. Of course such young animals go to Fort Riley and are never purchased for immediate active service.

The officers are required to provide their own mounts and usually find it necessary to keep two animals. The present minimum height for officers' mounts is 15.2 hands, minimum weight 975 pounds, and the finding of horses of this size that meet the requirements in other ways has almost permanently disabled the pocket books of a number of ambitious young men. There is a tendency at present to lower the minimum to 15.1 hands, so as to obtain the use of a number of highly desirable horses, almost as efficient as the taller ones and within the limits of the officer's purse. In fact, in 1911 the war office issued orders allowing the second mounts of officers to be of the smaller polo type, but placed a minimum at 15 hands, barring some few already owned at that time that exceeded 14.2 and possessed suitable cavalry conformation. Such horses were required to be sound, of desirable conformation and useful in military service in order to justify their maintenance.

Officers below a major in rank are allowed $150 a year for the maintenance of their charger, or $200 for two mounts. This is additional to forage and applies on the saddle, riding breeches and other equipment, as well as the general wear and tear due to the amount of riding required of the officer. Many officers, particularly the more enthusiastic horsemen, do not use the deep service or McClellan saddle, but instead purchase the flat English type of saddle, which is lighter and which tends to a more graceful, firm, yet elastic seat.

The troop horse must be sound, broken to the saddle and of a gentle courageous disposition. Geldings of uniform and hard color are the only animals bought. They must be in good condition, with an easy elastic mouth, from four to eight years of age, 15 to 15.3 hands tall (average 15.2) and weighing from 950 to 1,100 pounds, depending on the height. Each horse is subjected to rigid inspection and horses possessing material blemishes or defects, or animals which by their lack of quality indicate too much cold blood are rejected. For such horses the government will pay about $160. Since most mounts of this stamp cannot be raised to maturity for such prices, it is not surprising to find the government buyers more or less feverish over the quality of animals offered them.

It is in the development of the horses, once they are accepted, that the military service teaches its great lesson to the farmer. No horse in the United States cavalry is broken; every one is trained. And it is not a mere nicety of words either, but a difference between the hurry and bustle which occur each spring when the colts are being pushed through to help in the summer work, and a two-year or better education at the hands of careful men, who make the colt master point after point, so that its learning becomes an integral part of its nature.

The remounts which are furnished to the army come from three depots: Front Royal, Va., Fort Reno, Okla., and Fort Keogh, Mont. Those at Fort Riley usually come from the Virginia depot. When they first arrive they are classed as breaking colts, and this stage of their education is prolonged for a year if possible. During this time the colts are accustomed by the rider to the use of the hands and legs as means of control, are taught to obey signals instantly, are fixed in their habits as to the three gaits, are taught to lead off with either foot, and are given the rudiments of jumping. Much of this elementary work is with the horses "on the lodge" and without a rider. The second year they are classed as training colts, and the points taken up in the first year are repeated until they become second nature to the colt. They are taught to jump with the rider, and are given a variety of drill and formation work. From the best training colts are selected the jumpers and schooled horses, which are carried still further forward.

Many will not appreciate the necessity for training over the jumps and in other types of schooled work. In addition to the physical exercise that it gives both man and horse, and the subordination of the horse's will to that of the rider it has a very practical application in the mobility it gives to mounted troops in the roughest of country, an exigency which more than one army has been forced to meet in wartime. Furthermore every cavalryman must be the best horseman possible in order to get the utmost service from his mount, and must be able rapidly to develop to his needs any new mounts which replace losses during service.

Perhaps the most important essentials in the handling of a horse are a light hand and a well balanced firm seat. These the cavalryman acquires most readily in unusual tests, and jumping is a principal means of obtaining the necessary suppleness for satisfactory horsemanship. Jumping gives both rider and mount confidence, and the training which restricts the horse to encountering obstacles at an ordinary gait instead of rushing them, assures a commander of his ability to ride around hostile parties at a businesslike gait, to acquire information under almost every condition and to supply it to his less mobile forces. The conditioning the horse receives through the military system of training, the strengthening of shoulders, back, loin and hindquarters, the hardening of tendons and ligaments—any of these alone provide sufficient justification for the most elaborate type of schooling. The horse becomes more agile, learns to balance himself better by head and neck, and becomes bolder, more self-reliant, and cooler in tight places.

The Mounted Service School expends two years on the horses for its own service, but of course for average military usage—the period has to be shortened and the horses more or less forced. It is far more economical in terms of the present to prepare the horses by the shorter method, but in proportion as the horse learns his lesson rapidly, just so rapidly does he forget it. In addition forced training often ruins otherwise excellent colts. Experience has shown that the horses which receive at least two years of training are longer lived, more uniform in condition and degree of service, and less liable to the development of unsoundness, than the horses that are trained more rapidly. Such animals are subject to less wear and tear, are more regular in period and hours of service, and meet sudden strains or extraordinary demands much more easily.

In fact, the number that wear out is surprisingly low at the school. On the average about 20 horses are condemned each year out of about 275 in the cavalry service at the post. This means that the working life of these horses averages about ten years, and there are many horses still on duty at the post that have a speaking acquaintance with most of the officers that have ever been connected with the Mounted Service School.

For example, old Santa Claus is kept for the single purpose that he safely pretends to be unmanageable with a green rider. Scarcely an officer has entered the school who has not had a thorough lesson in handling a runaway horse aboard the old fellow's back, and Santa Claus knows why he is there. How his eyes beam with mischief every time an unsuspecting strange officer is introduced!

The principal reasons why horses are condemned are: unsoundness, age, chronic disease and general breakdown due to too much work. Incurably diseased horses are usually slaughtered. Occasionally auctions of the condemned horses are advertised at various points. Many of the horses are fairly useful for private work but unable to stand up under military strain. Therefore in some sections of the country there is a strong demand for them. In Virginia they usually average the highest at public sales, $80 to $90 being frequently realized. Kansas, through its nearness to them, appreciates them as little as anybody, and $50 to $60 per head represents the best averages.

A small amount of breeding is done at Fort Riley. A few government mares produce foals each year, and many of the officers get partial interest on their investment by breeding their mares to the post stallion, Vestibule. Vestibule is a capital type of Thoroughbred, and is sired by Rock Sand, a horse that was sold to the French government for $50,000. The hay production on the big reservation is interesting. There is a large amount of land that is so broken that hay cannot be cut, but the post more than supplies its own needs. In the dry summer of 1914, following a more severe season in 1913, about 4,500 tons were cut, but with the heavy rains this year as much as 8,000 to 10,000 tons will probably be placed in the mows. It is all prairie hay, mostly of the typical pasture grasses.

There are other kinds of horses at the post: artillery horses from 15.2 to 16 hands tall and weighing from 1,150 to 1,250 pounds; drafters (so-called) of the same height but weighing from 1,050 to 1,400 pounds; and mules of many styles, from pack to draft animals. It is in the cavalry types however that the military service teaches its agricultural lesson, and it is to the detriment of national horse production that this lesson cannot be more pointedly driven home in our horse rearing districts.—E. N. Wentwort, in Breeders' Gazette.

FAIR MANAGERS HOLD ANNUAL SESSION.

The annual conventions of the American Association of Fairs and Expositions are the most important from every standpoint of any meetings that are held in the interest of fairs, expositions or race meetings in this country, or any other on the globe. The twenty-fifth annual meeting of this association held at Chicago on Thursday and Friday of last week was the greatest in its history in showing of co-operative strength, and wealth of knowledge in the direction of fairs and expositions in all their departments. Over forty State fairs and expositions make up the membership of this association, all working on a grand scale for the education and betterment of the people.

Twenty speakers, including secretaries, fair managers and prominent educators from our leading agricultural colleges, and heads of different governmental departments, in various sections of the country, addressed the convention, presenting papers covering subjects of utmost interest to fair managers and secretaries of all State and county fairs.

The subjects covered were:

Automobile Racing at Fairs and Expositions—John C. Simpson, secretary Minnesota State Fair, Hamline, Minn., and G. W. Dickinson, secretary-manager Michigan State Fair, Detroit, Mich.

Cash Register Machines for Vehicle Gates and Nonpaid Admissions at Foot Gates and Demonstrations of Same—A. S. Palmer, St. Paul, Minn., and C. T. Steffey, Dayton, Ohio, representing the National Cash Register Company.

Reminiscences—J. W. Russwurm, secretary Tennessee State Fair, Nashville, Tenn.

Talk: Ideas on what there should be at Fairs—Dr. Charles McCarthy, Madison, Wis.

How a State Fair Was Conducted Without Cattle, Hogs or Sheep Exhibits— B. M. Davison, secretary Illinois State Fair, Springfield, Ill.

Uniform State Action Regarding Bill of Health for Animals Exhibited at Fairs and Expositions—H. E. Williams, Commissioner of Agriculture, Charleston, W. Va.

How Texas Conducts a Big Exposition, and with No Horse Racing—W. H. Stratton, secretary Texas State Fair, Dallas, Tex.

How to Draw Crowds to a District or State Fair—Len Small, secretary Kankakee Interstate Fair, Kankakee, Ill.

Entertainment and Its Economic Relation to a Big State Fair and Exposition: (a) Muusic and Free Attractions; (b) Carnival Companies and Other Paid or Percentage Shows; (c) Permanent Amusement Devices—Frank D. Fuller, secretary and general manager of Tri-State Fair, Memphis, Tenn. (Southern District); R. M. Striplin, general manager Southeastern Fair Association, Atlanta, Ga. (Southern District); A. L. Sponsler, secretary Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson, Kan. (Southwestern District); Don V. Moore, secretary North Dakota State Fair, Grand Forks, N. D. (Northwestern District); Joe Morton, secretary Interstate Live Stock Fair, Sioux City, Iowa (West Central District).

What State Fairs Think of the Different Racing Systems, and Suggestions to the Trotting Associations—E. J. Curtin, superintendent of speed Iowa State Fair.

The Artistic Side of Fairs—A. W. Miller, Chicago, Ill.

Sanitary Problems of a Big Fair and Exposition—S. C. Shaver, secretary New York State Fair, Syracuse, N. Y., and J. L. Dent, secretary Kentucky State Fair, Louisville, Ky.

Live Stock Exhibits at Fairs and Expositions—Prof. J. W. Kennedy, Sioux City, Iowa.

Messrs. Len Small, secretary of the Kankakee Interstate Fair, Kankakee, Ill.; John T. Stinson, secretary of the St. Louis Agricultural Fair, St. Louis, Mo.; R. M. Striplin, secretary of the Southeastern Fair Association, Atlanta, Go.; O. P. Hendershot, secretary of the Gem State Fair, Boise, Idaho, and George Morrisset, secretary of the Quebec Provincial Exposition, Quebec, Que., made application on behalf of their fairs for membership in the association. All were admitted and fully qualified.

The tentative dates selected and announced for 1916, subject to revision, are as follows:

North Dakota State Fair, Grand Forks, N. D., July 17-22.
Forest City Fair, North Randall, Ohio, Aug. 17-22.
Iowa State Fair, Des Moines, Iowa, Aug. 23-Sept. 1.
Kankakee Interstate Fair, Kankakee, Ill., Sept. 4-9.
Minnesota State Fair, Hamline, Minn., Sept. 4-11.
Michigan State Fair, Detroit, Mich, Sept. 4-13.

Indiana State Fair, Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 4-8.
Ohio State Fair, Columbus, Ohio, Sept. 4-8.
Nebraska State Fair, Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 4-9.
Wisconsin State Fair, Milwaukee, Wis., Sept. 9-17.
Kentucky State Fair, Louisville, Ky., Sept. 11-17.
New York State Fair, Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 11-16.
South Dakota State Fair, Huron, S. D., Sept. 11-15.
The Topeka-Kansas State Fair, Topeka, Kan., Sept. 11-15.
Vermont State Fair, Sept. 12-15.
Illinois State Fair, Springfield, Ill., Sept. 15-23.
Interstate Live Stock Fair, Sioux City, Iowa, Sept. 18-23.
Kansas State Fair, Hutchinson, Kan., Sept. 18-23.
Missouri State Fair, Sedalia, Mo., Sept. 23-30.
Oklahoma State Fair, Oklahoma City, Okla., Sept. 23-30.
Tri-State Fair, Memphis, Tenn., Sept. 24-Oct. 3.
Wyoming State Fair, Douglas, Wyo., Sept. 26-30.
Utah State Fair, Salt Lake City, Utah, Sept. 28-Oct 7.
St. Louis Agricultural Fair, St. Louis, Mo., Oct. 2-7.
American Royal Exposition, Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 2-7.
Alabama State Fair, Birmingham, Ala., Oct. 5-14.
Texas State Fair, Dallas, Tex., Oct. 14-29.
Mississippi-Alabama Fair, Meridian, Miss., Oct. 16-21.
Tennessee State Fair, Oct. 18-23.
New Mexico State Fair, Albuquerque, N. M., Oct. 24-28.
Georgia State Fair, Macon, Ga., Oct. 23-28.
Southeastern Fair Association, Atlanta Ga., Oct. 23-28.
Louisiana State Fair, Shreveport, La., Nov. 1-6.
Cotton Palace Exposition, Waco, Tex., Nov. 4-19.

A conference will be held in the course of two weeks of the State fair managers of Michigan, Ohio, Illinois, Indiana and Kentucky, with a view of forming a State fair circuit without conflicting dates.

The 1915 officers of the association, W. R. Mellor, president, of Lincoln, Neb.; A. L. Sponsler, vice-president, of Hutchinson, Kan.; Chas. Downing, secretary, Indianapolis, Ind., and Geo. H. Madden, treasurer, Mendota, Ill., were nominated and unanimously elected to succeed themselves in their respective positions. The entire convention was entertained Thursday evening with moving pictures of several of the different State fairs, and on Friday evening the association banquet brought the members together for an enjoyable farewell.—Western Horseman.

SPOT 2:17½ WINS AUSTRALIA'S GREAT STAKE, THE RICHMOND THOUSAND.

The Richmond Thousand of 1915 has now passed into the realms of trotting turf history. This year's event, the fifth renewal of the big stake, undoubtedly possessed features of unusual interest. Of the four previous Thousands, two have been won by New South Wales representatives, while two have been taken by local horses, therefore Friday's event gave Victoria a majority, and the popularity of Spot's win was manifested by the great reception with which he and his rider were greeted on returning to scale.

Again, the fastest winning rate in the rich event had, up to this year, stood to the credit of a New South Wales representative, Delavan Chimes, the winner of the inaugural Thousand in 1911, who went at a 2:20 gait. Spot's placing of this record at 2:19½ was another cause for local jubilation.

The field of 18 was eminently satisfactory, and though not the largest contrasted favorably with previous years. Last year ten kept their engagements in the big event, 1913 saw fourteen do battle, in 1912 seventeen faced the starter, while in Delavan Chimes' year (1911) the field numbered twenty. The withdrawals on Friday included Brown Boy (N.S.W.), who had met with an acident in Sydney, Lady Maritius (N.S.W.), Gerston (Vic.), who also had a mishap, cutting one of her legs while exercising at Richmond, and Happy Sam (Vic.).

The betting opened with Wilkes Child favorite at 7 to 2, while 8 to 1 was offered against the field. The quotations fluctuated considerably later, but the Allendale Farm representative, as usual, was accorded solid support by the public, her price touching 6 to 4, while 5's were offered against His Honor, with Spot figuring at 12 to 1. Apart from a Bracelet in 2:28½, out of several starts at Richmond, there was no seeming justification on public form for the confident support accorded Wilkes Child, the undoubted ability of L. Robertson as a reinsman being probably the controlling factor. At barrier rise her price was 7 to 4, with Spot shortened from 12 to 1 to 9 to 2, and His Honor dividing second favoritism at a like figure. Twelve to one was on offer against Whirlwood and Cressy Girl, with Mountain Palm, Judge Bells, and Huon Jack still less in demand at 5's, while odds of 20 to 50 to 1 were laid against such horses as Epic, Rockmore, and Trigonia. The Judge Huon gelding threaded his way through seventeen opponents, and treated spectators to a characteristic "Spot finish," there being no element of an "eleventh hour" victory about the race. Spot assumed command in the back stretch, held it, and looked equal to holding it had there been another half-mile to travel. Certainly Wilkes Child was unlucky to have met with an interrupted passage, but we cannot ignore the superb dash and stamina displayed by the older campaigner.

Of the eighteen competitors, thirteen represented local owners, while four composed the Sydney division, with Blue Danube alone appearing on behalf of South Australia. Of the Sydney division, Rockmore was the most conspicuous. His fourth in the Flying Handicap early in the day was a moderate effort, and revealed the gelding to be averse to the barrier system of starting, but his showing with H. Bass in the saddle in the big event was much better. Bass's attempt to pilot the Rock Huon gelding between Normalene and Wilkes Child when he thought he saw an opening was a costly move in a double sense, as he risked his chance in the race, incurred the displeasure of the stewards, and received twelve months' disqualification.

The unfortunate mixup at the bottom turn brought Huon Jack and His Honor down, dislodging the respective drivers, A. McLennan and T. Skehill, but the accident was not attended by any serious consequences.

The race was splendidly contested, and looked very open throughout. Both Normalene and Whirlwood looked promising for the first mile, and with Rockmore closely trailing the leaders, the race was full of interest. Spot quickly accounted for the back division, and, pacing without an error, ran into the lead in the back stretch. Wilkes Child made a gallant effort over the last two furlongs, but was beaten by seven yards amid intense excitement. Spot's seven yards' win provided the closest finish to date, nine yards in The Maid's year (1913) being the shortest distance between first and second previously.

The time, 3:36, was three seconds slower than last year, when the event was decided in 3:33, and 5¾ seconds slower than the record, 3:30¼, established in 1911, Spot's 2:19½ now standing as the best winning record in the big event. Wilkes Child went 2:24, so that there was reasonable basis for her solid backing. The class of horses competing aroused enthusiasm, and the finish was a contrast to the hollow victories of Lulu Boy and Delavan Chimes in previous years. Finally, this year's Thousand demonstrated the rapid forward strides that trotting is making throughout the commonwealth.

Spot is a bay pacing gelding, and was bred at Shepparton, being by Judge Huon from a dam not named. Judge Huon, owned by Mr. F. E. Colbath, of Sydney, was a bay horse foaled in 1891 by Huon (imp.) from Aristola (imp.). Huon was foaled in 1879, being by Almont Junior, by Almont from Polly, by Hamlin Patchen, a son of George M. Patchen. Aristola (imp.), the dam of Judge Huon, was by St. Claire from Lady Hubbard. Spot was sold early in his career for 11 guineas to Mr. Duncan McLeod, and later was disposed of for 13 guineas to Mr. A. McLennan, who in turn parted with the pacer for 40 guineas after being once successful. He was afterwards the property of the late Mr. Jack Davis, and is now owned by Mr. J. Trewin, of Ascot Vale, who last year refused £300 for him, and has had a distinguished racing career. On November 12, 1914, at Addington course, Christchurch, N. Z., he placed the Australasian two-mile pacing record at 4:35 2-5. He has been raced extensively in Victoria, New South Wales and New Zealand, with the following successive speed rates in his Richmond victories—2:26, 2:25¼, 2:26¾, 2:21¼, 2:22, 2:23, 2:21½ and 2:19½. —Australian Trotting Record.

Great Sire Justifies Mr. Harrison's Faith

Among the welcome visitors to San Francisco during the present week was the northwestern horseman Clinton A. Harrison, who made merely a few hours' stay in the city enroute to Southern California. Well on the way to complete recovery from the spinal trouble that sent him to the mat for the count some weeks ago, Mr. Harrison looks the picture of health and good spirits and loses no opportunity to do his part in disseminating the gospel of "Saint Thomas Equinus." The harness horse has no more steadfast friend in this or any other section of the world, and business matters are never too pressing for him to do a bit of evangelistic work in his behalf.

It was our first visit from Mr. Harrison since the Prince Ansel yearlings had gone through the world's record tables at Lexington and Louisville and picked out for their own the ones that looked best to them, and while highly elated over their showing and greatly pleased thereby, he took the record breaking performances largely as a matter of course, his implicit confidence in Prince Ansel having never wavered since the day in 1912 that he settled upon him as the best horse available for the purposes of Woodland Stock Farm, the realty and horseflesh holdings being turned over, immediately after their purchase by Mr. Harrison, to the corporation which has since conducted its affairs and with which he was in no way affiliated. A number of matrons purchased by Mr. Harrison individually were turned over to the corporation by him and, not being paid for by that body, were eventually returned to him and have since then been sold. It is a compliment to Mr. Harrison's ideas of values in blood lines and individuals that his selections of both sire and dams have been productive of most exceptional results. In the light of numerous recent events it is of interest to turn back for a moment and note Mr. Harrison's views of Prince Ansel and Woodland Stock Farm as expressed in December, 1912, the following paragraphs being excerpts from a letter written to this publication at that time:

A great deal of publicity has been given regarding the sale of the Woodland Stock Farm, and the futurity sire, Prince Ansel, together with fifty-three other standard bred mares, colts and fillies. Yourself and others have said many flattering and true sayings about Prince Ansel, the brood mares, and other animals purchased by myself. Therefore, I will take the liberty on behalf of the present owners of the Woodland Stock Farm, Inc., to publicly and sincerely thank you, and on behalf of myself I most truly thank you, and I will take this occasion to state that my acquaintance with the Dexter Prince tribe of horses dates back to the day of "Long John" Williams, and the beautiful black mare Princess Alice. "Long John" Williams was my first preceptor in the Dexter Prince school, and it was he who gave me my first ride behind a Dexter Prince when he gave me the great, beautiful mare Maggie, to drive in Golden Gate Park. Later on I saw Dexter Prince at Palo Alto and I saw Eleata 2:08, Fitz James, Charlie Ford, Royal Prince and most all the other stars of the Dexter Prince family.

I pinned my faith in them many years ago and I never wavered in my opinion that Dexter Prince was a greater sire than Electioneer, or any other horse ever in California. Now, this may, to some men, seem extravagant language, but time will tell. When the great young futurity winning colt, Prince Ansel, came along and showed the public what a good colt trotter he was, then the Dexter Princes were about all gone. Prince Ansel was not only a colt of early, game and extreme speed, but he is siring and has now a family of early, game and extreme speed, and if Prince Ansel had one-fourth of the chance Electioneer had, the story would now read, The Wondrous Sire, Prince Ansel.

As to myself. I don't see how I am entitled to any praise for selecting Lottie Ansel. I do plead guilty to reading nearly every horse journal and any man interested in the light harness horse should read the papers and study a little; therefore, any ordinary student could see that Prince Ansel himself, a great colt trotter; Lottie 2:15, a great trotter; Prince Lot 2:07¼, a fast horse. Why, how could Lottie Ansel help but be the greatest two-year-old in America, which she is today? I have looked at the Woodland Stock Farm, studied Prince Ansel, studied the blood lines of the mares now on that farm, and I again said Dexter Prince was a great sire and left the breeders of California a son who is greater than the sire, and I will predict that Prince Ansel will be the greatest sire of futurity winners ever bred or owned in California. Prince Ansel is a sire stallion.

Now I have disposed of the Woodland Stock Farm, Prince Ansel and all the stock, to an incorporated company, known as The Woodland Stock Farm, Inc. Mr. J. W. Considine is the president; S. Christenson, of San Francisco, and Wm. P. Reese, formerly of Texas, are the directors. Mr. Considine has appointed Harry Dowling as superintendent, trainer and manager of the farm, horses and track, and I will say to the breeders of California that they are to be congratulated on the fact that Prince Ansel stays in California.

It is the intention of Mr. Considine and his associates to give to Prince Ansel a prominent place in harness horse society. Every mare on the farm and every weanling, yearling and two-year-old are nominated, so that men who buy young stock from there can have the opportunity to win a futurity. The Woodland Stock Farm and its management has passed out of my hands, yet my best and most sincere wishes for its success are with every man interested in the ownership of it, and in every man employed on the farm.

Woodland Stock Farm, as it has existed for the last three years, is in all probability entering its last short lease of life, as most of the livestock has been dispersed and the farm itself will doubtless become county property in the not far distant future, but it has made a name for itself in trotting annals that will not soon be forgotten—and for the making of that name much of the praise is due to Mr. Harrison. It was he who selected Prince Ansel and the eastern mares that were brought to his court, mares whose matings with the Prince were productive among others of those two unrivaled yearling champion trotting fillies Anselila (1) 2:17½ and Verbena Ansel (1) 2:22, and in view of these achievements it becomes a matter of sincere regret that Mr. Harrison did not maintain his connection with Woodland Stock Farm, that it might have benefitted by his judgment and advice in other matters.

ADIOO GUY 2:10¾.

There is an old saying to the effect "That a blind pig will sometimes find an acorn," and it also occurs once in a while that the enthusiastic turf scribe, after witnessing a horse perform an impressive piece of foot-work, makes a prediction and lives long enough to see his forecast materialize. Early in the season, we had the pleasure of seeing the five-year-old stallion, Adioo Guy 2:10¾, perform, and at one point in particular he paced a piece of the road as fast as any wiggler we ever watched in a small track; he stepped from a rear position at the three-quarters around a good field and in less than an eighth of a mile opened up such a commanding lead as to be able to simply jog the balance of the way home. Shortly afterward we happened to encounter John H. Heyman, Sandusky, O., owner of the little stallion, and we then stated that, in our humble opinion, Adioo Guy would pace a good mile ring a little later on, if given the chance, in 2:05, and a part of it at a two-minute clip at least. While the stallion was not started at a Grand Circuit meeting, he was given one little work-out at Columbus when conditions were far from propitious and he turned the trick in 2:06 without being asked for all he had, which performance proved to us that we had not overestimated his speed, as the mile could have easily been a second faster had Harry Gray so desired. Adioo Guy 2:10¾ proved a most satisfactory campaigner, winning first honors at Detroit, two firsts at both Monroe, Mich., and North Randall Fair, a $1,000 classic at the Ohio State Fair, was second to Eel Direct 2:01¼ at Bowling Green and the next week beat the great gray wriggler from Canada when they met at Marion, O. When you stop to consider that he opened the year about as green as a gourd and practically all summer was up against seasoned campaigners, twice meeting Eel Direct which was a 2:04 pacer in 1914, and breaking even with him in results, it is but natural to conclude that Adioo Guy 2:10¾ is a pacer considerably above the average and should with another careful spring's training develop into a real crack.

Adioo Guy 2:10¾ is by Guy Dillon 2:21¼, sire of the sensational but ill-fated Guy Borden 2:07¼, winner of nine firsts and a second in ten starts in 1913 and by many Californians regarded as the greatest pacer which was ever bred along the Pacific coast. The dam of Adioo Guy 2:10¾ is the well known brood mare Adioo by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼, dam also of others, including Harry Dillon 2:10, a stallion sold to the Russians, but drowned as the result of a German torpedo while being exported. Adioo Guuy is also closely related to Adioo Dillon (2) 2:24¼, the dam of the fast trotter, Dillon Axworthy (2) 2:11¼, (3) 2:10¼, a futurity winner at two and three; his grandam was the famous $10,000 matron By By by Nutwood 2:18¾, which produced among others, the sire of Marie N. 2:08¼ and the dam of F. S. Whitney 2:09¾, etc., third dam Rapidan (dam of three, includuing Lockheart 2:08½, a 2:10 sire) by Dictator. This royally bred and fast young pacer is now in winter quarters at Sandusky, O., and will in the spring again be turned over to Harry Gray for a campaign and in all probability be nominated in some Grand Circuit events by Mr. Heyman.—American Sportsman.

TENNESSEEANS PROUD OF MY MAJOR DARE.

Californians will long remember with pleasure the visit of the Longview Farm horses to the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, and the award of the grand championship among saddle stallions to My Major Dare met with general approval not only here but in the many sections where he has longer been known. Especially proud of him are the Tennesseeans, as evidenced by the following letter to the Breeders' Gazette from S. M. Young of Smith county, that state:

"Tennesseeans were pleased to see on page 811 of your Nov. 4 issue the picture of the gaited saddle horse My Major Dare, champion in the breeding classes at the Panama-Pacific exposition. We claim his as "our hoss." He first saw the light of day in Smith Co., Tenn., was raised and handled by his breeders, Smith & Ward, New Middleton, and sold by them as a four-year-old at a price of $6,500, I believe. A few months later he passed into the hands of his present owner, Miss Lula Long, for a consideration of $10,000. It does not need to be remarked that he is a magnificent animal, and that this triumph at San Francisco is but the climax of a long series of successful exhibitions, including those at Fort Worth, Kansas City, St. Louis and the Chicago International.

"My Major Dare is sired by My Dare out of a mare by Electric, a son of Owsley's Red Squirrel. My Dare is a son of Chester Dare and a My Own dam. He is owned by Dr. W. W. Gray and is the sire of a large number of prizewinners, among them Gypsy Dare, the mare that Dr. Gray sold for $3,000. My Dare stamps his impress upon his get with more uniformity than any other sire I have ever known. He was never handled for the gaited rings; his showing achievements have been in the breeding and model classes where he has never suffered defeat. Among other notable awards which have been accorded him is the championship cup of the Tennessee State Fair. He has the unprecedented record of having shown with three of his get in 23 rings, each time with a different trio of colts, and never having failed to win first prize. It would be strange indeed if we did not feel both a state and local pride in this great horse and his progeny."

NOTES and NEWS

Colonel Jim Thompson of Sacramento made the trip east with the Todhunter and Woodland Stock Farm consignments to the Chicago sale.

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Tacoma promises horsemen a winter training plant ready for use the first of January, and is also in line for a spring meeting of some description, as well as some Fourth of July races.

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W. J. Lindsay of Santa Ana has recently purchased from Frank Thomas the pacer Buster by Zolock and will use him for matinee purposes, the gelding being a consistent 2:20 performer in amateur hands.

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Walnut Hall Farm will have a goodly representation of young things at the next sale at Madison Square Garden. Superintendent Harry Burgoyne and his assistants being occupied at present fitting about a hundred head for the trip to the auctions. They will find new owners without much delay.

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Lou Dillon's yearling filly Virginia Lou by The Harvester is pleasing her owner mightily in her home at Pembroke, Ontario. J. O'Kelly, is the happy man, and after breaking the lass double he hooked her to a bike a few times, very promptly brushing her an eighth at the trot in :20½.

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By his record of 2:06¼, made at Phoenix in a race, Bondalean becomes the second fastest three-year-old pacing colt of the season, and had Owner Charley Silva been at Phoenix to give the word for a time performance there is reason to believe he might have annexed the championship. Elmo Montgomery evidently had him figured about right a good many months ago.

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Most of the thoroughbreds recently in training at various nearby tracks have been shipped to Juarez, New Orleans or Tia Juana for the winter racing season, leaving only the youngsters or a few green ones in training here. Quite a number are at Tia Juana, where things will open with a rush on New Year's Day.

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A recent visitor to the Los Angeles track tells of seeing Jim Stewart drive a yearling Copa de Oro pacer an eighth in fifteen and a half seconds. The youngster is a full brother to the three-year-old champion Rayo de Oro (3) 2:07¼, being out of Jim's boss brood mare Easter D. (2) 2:13½ by Diablo 2:09¼. This Copa de Oro horse sure does put the pace into 'em.

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Secretary Knight of the A. T. R. A. announces that the Year Book for 1915 will be ready about January first and will be made up along lines similar to those of Volume Thirty. The Year Book is the court of last resort for authentic information concerning harness racing results and as the price has been reduced to $3, putting it within half a dollar of the cost of the unofficial publications, the new number should find a ready sale among horsemen.

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The Proof 2:10¾ has a nice representative to boost his stock in the east in the shape of the yearling filly by him out of Katalina 2:11¼, both filly and dam now owned by A. Albright Jr. of Prospect Farm, Newark, New Jersey. She has been broken only about two months, and ten days ago was trotting quarters handily in forty seconds. Mr. Albright describes her as having a beautiful way of going and being to all appearances a great prospect.

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Leon Wing, for some time a member of the Examiner staff of sporting writers and a gentleman of wide acquaintance and popularity among both harness and thoroughbred horsemen, has gone to Tia Juana to join forces with the Lower California Jockey Club as publicity manager and assistant racing secretary. He has a world of "well-wishers" in his new post and the L. C. J. C. will get a run for its money from his department.

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The Empire Racing Association, of which James Butler is the head, has won its suit against the National Fair and Exposition Association, breaking the latter's lease upon Empire City Park at Yonkers, New York. This means not only that no Grand Circuit meeting will be given there this year, but also that the runners will "rule the roost" there from now on. R. M. Williams and his associates "hoed a hard row" at Empire City, but met their obligations to horsemen in full this season, for which much credit is deserved.

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Patchen Wilkes Farm has recently purchased of J. J. W. Morrow, New Castle, Pa., the four-year-old mare Mary Derby by Charles Derby 2:20, dam Mary Burton (dam of Petress Burton (3) 2:09¾) by Warlock 2:24, grandam Josephine Knight (grandam of Peter Volo (4) 2:02 and Volga (2) 2:07¾) by Betterton. Charles Derby, her sire, foaled in 1885, has two 1915 foals at the Stokes establishment, both colts, one out of Georgie the Great by Peter the Great and the other out of Straight Forward by By Mac.

Helen Belle (2) 2:22¼, winner as a three-year-old of the Oregon futurity in 1915, trotted in the mud in 2:27, 2:28, was withdrawn from the Chicago sale by W. G. Durfee and was left at Pleasanton to be bred next spring to The Anvil 2:02¾, whose book has already attracted fifteen or twenty mares. The young lady should make a most excellent brood mare, as she is by Carlokin 2:07½ and out of Carolyn C. by Axtell (3) 2:12, grandam Expedience by Expeditor 2:15¾, great grandam Lurline by Princeps 536.

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There is a rumor making the rounds down east to the effect that T. W. Murphy will probably have the champion yearling filly Anselila 2:17½ in his stable next season. She is extensively staked both in that section and here on the coast, and without accident interfering should make a great futurity trotter. A picture of her recently published by the American Sportsman shows her to have grown into a good-sized lass of very pleasing proportions, wearing very little gear save the harness.

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The fast pacing mare Blanche 2:06¾, for some time the property of T. E. Pollock of Pinewood Farm, Arizona, has been purchased by her breeder and former owner, Clarence J. Berry of this city, and will be used from now on for breeding purposes. Mr. Berry has always had a warm spot in his heart for Blanche, as the half-sister to White Sox 2:05¾ and The Lark 2:09¼ was the lass to establish him as a "2:10 breeder." She should prove a very productive matron.

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The English government has been made the recipient of a valuable gift from Colonel Hall Walker M. P., in the shape of the latter's farm at Tully Kildare, and his training stables at Russley Parks Wiltshire, the horses involved including the great stake winners White Eagle and Royal Realm, as well as some famous matrons. The Colonel's gift is of million dollar proportions and will probably serve as the nucleus of the British government's entry into horse breeding on its own accord, after the fashion of other European countries.

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Our old friend Ed. Corrigan, who was in the cattle business in Colorado forty years ago and who subsequently became a famous racehorse man, is about to take up the breeding of thoroughbreds again. He has purchased in Canada the twelve-year-old mare Class, a daughter of Kingston and Blue Grass Belle and brought her to the United States for the purpose of breeding her in the spring to the best stallion available. He owned Class when she raced some years back. She is of the family of the celebrated Modesty with which he won the first American Derby.—Field and Farm.

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The grapevine telegraph has been circulating a story down east to the effect that Dick McMahon will take charge of Rodney MacKenzie's plant at Pleasanton, the thing having gotten started someway duraing the exposition race meeting. This is no election year, either, but these "roorbacks" do get born somehow and are much harder to kill. Richard and Rodney are great friends and it would not surprise folks here to see Dick come out and take charge, say about the thirty-first of February or as soon as the Imperial Valley begins importing skates and skis in car lots.

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Alhambra Prince (3) 2:27, grand champion trotting stallion at the recent P.-P. I. E. horse show, has been taken to Exposition Park at Los Angeles and has progressed in his training to a mile in 2:27 for owner Charles W. Winter of Alhambra. Mr. Winter is also developing a two-year-old colt by the Prince Alhambra Duke, and six weeks after taking him from the pasture sent him the route in 2:54 at the trot. For Alex Grant of Los Angeles, Mr. Winter is also handling a two-year-old filly by Escobado 2:13¼, dam Sona 2:16 by McKinney 2:11¼, and the lass is making speed nicely, having worked early in the week in 2:52 trotting.

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T. E. Pollock did not start his good three-year-old Lijero trotter, Pinewood, at the Arizona State Fair where he was entered, but will try and have him ready for a shy at fast company in 1917. The colt won a nice race at Albuquerque but was getting to be a bit hard to handle as a stud, so castration was on the program for him when the past season closed. The "concensus of opinion" last winter at Pleasanton before Ed Parker sold him was that castration would be a big help to this fellow, and that he was the making of a very fast trotter. No man in Arizona would appreciate a good horse more than Tom Pollock, and all his California friends wish him luck with Pinewood, and Pinewood Farm.

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Realization, one of the most popular and successful members of Longview Farm's stable of harness horses and a winner at many shows, contracted pneumonia while enroute home to Missouri from the recent National Horse Show and died shortly after unloading. Realization won the Waldorf cup at the Garden, with Revelation won the phaeton class, and was second in a number of other events. The loss is a severe one to Miss Long, who puts her horses in the "nearest and dearest friend" class, as well as to the world at large. The mistress of Longview has had unusually bad luck in shipping this season, having lost a valuable saddle animal on account of the visit of that portion of her stable to the P.-P. I. E.

Announcement has been made that Major P. P. Johnston of Lexington, who has for twenty-two years been president of the National Trotting Association, will not be a candidate for that office at the next election, in February.

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The ranks of stake candidates for the coming season were thinned a few days ago by the death of the five-year-old trotting mare Zobedah in the stable of Walter Traynor. She had worked the Lexington track in 2:05½ during the fall meeting and was a daughter of Zombro 2:11 and Erirange 2:21 (dam of Colorado Range (3) 2:08½, etc.) by Prodigal 2:16. She was bred at A. B. Coxe's Nawbeek Farm and at the time of her death was owned by the Pittsburgh horseman, Sam Pickering.

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Five thousand dollars has just been offered and refused for White Sox 2:05¼, winner of the big pacing stake at the exposition last spring. Five thousand dollars is a nice little price for a harness horse these days, but this girl looks quite capable of earning more than that by a good margin during the coming season, as she will be prepped for a swing down the big line. In fact, if a certain race can be arranged she stands a good show to win that amount in one bunch, as Mr. Berry offers to match her against Hal Boy for five thousand a side. The pair have met twice for big money and have a race each, so a match would attract a world of interest. Both would find plenty of support, and Californians would string their checks along with the Berry money.

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While harness horse records were broken well up into November the activities in that line have at last been brought to a temporary close. Not so, however, with the mild mannered bossy-cow, for whom there apparently is no "closed season," Lady Pontiac Johanna having last week set a new mark for a short time butter production, the flow of the "lacteal fluid" for the week having totalled 658 pounds, yielding 41.91 pounds of butter, surpassing the former figures by something over five pounds. We wouldn't mind owning a cow of this kind if we had someone to feed and water her, clean the stable, do the milking and churning and collect the money for us, even though we are not overly "strong" for butter. However, as Owner Oliver Cabana Jr. of Buffalo values her at a mere twenty thousand dollars we have decided to pass her up and worry along as usual with a can or so from the corner grocery until a really good cow comes on the market. There is really no money in these cheap sort of heifers, anyway.

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W. R. Murphy, who transferred the scene of his activities from Los Angeles to Santa Ana some months ago, is wintering a few horses in addition to his own and will have a stable to race at the fairs next season as well as in the matinees in his locality. Dr. H. J. Stevens owns the trotting gelding Doctor S. with whom Murphy has been a mile in 2:13 and whom he considers an excellent prospect as well as a nicely bred one, being by Carlokin 2:07¼ and out of a mare by Guide 2:16¼, sire of the dam of Castanada 2:09¾, etc. For E. D. Burge, president of the Orange County Club, Murphy is educating the three-year-old trotting filly Wanna Wilkes, a nice gaited lass of whom he entertains a very high opinion. She is by San Juan 2:22½ (a son of Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½) and out of a Seymour Wilkes 2:08½ dam, and while she has not yet been asked for much she has turned some nice quarters at a twenty gait. Another member of the stable that will probably be out among 'em next season is Mr. Murphy's own three-year-old trotter, Tommy Murphy, by Red McK. 43766, the youngster having already progressed to a mile in 2:17¾.

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Fire of an unknown origin joined forces with the Mee estate's wrecking crew Wednesday evening about eight o'clock, and within an hour the work of relegating the old Emeryville race track to Memoryville was practically completed, the blaze eating away practically all the old buildings which the wreckers had not yet reached. The conflagration started in the southwestern corner of the eighty-acre enclosure and by the time the fire department was on the scene and in action, with a line of hose extending for two or three blocks, the tinder-like structures were so evidently doomed that the firemen's work was confined entirely to preventing the spread of the flames to nearby residences of infinitely greater value. The costly club house and the great grandstand were dismantled some days ago and practically everything of value had been salvaged, so the loss is small. Ten acres of grass were burned over, much of the fence destroyed and Poverty Row, the haven of blasted hopes, with its stalls and shacks for the hard luck victims, rounded out its history in a spectacular manner. "Bone dry" and highly inflammable, the old losers' corner of the famous plant fell an easy prey to the all destroying element, the flames and their attendant column of dense smoke attracting attention from many points around the bay. Only a few weeks ago death claimed Tom Williams, and now the plant where for so long his word was supreme has been obliterated. Soon will come paved streets and concrete sidewalks, and then shortly will rise, over the ground where countless thousands have been won and lost and where some of the most famous battles of the American turf have been waged, will rise the stately residences of a "fashionable suburb." So passes the old order. Only Tanforan is left.

Tod Sloan, who has been abroad of late years and who was ordered deported from England not long ago, arrived in New York December 3 on the Adriatic. Tod states that he was sent out of Great Britain without a trial, but made no other comment concerning his case.

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Charles W. Williams, familiarly known to the horse world as the man who bred, trained and drove to their records, Allerton 2:09½ and Axtell (3) 2:12, and also established the first kite track at Independence, Iowa, is now strenuously engaged in evangelistic work in and about the scene where his earliest trotting horse fame was established. Various Iowa towns have turned out enthusiastic crowds this fall to welcome the evangelist where twenty-five years ago they cheered "the man from Independence" in some of his record-breaking feats with the two colts which he raised and developed, each later to become champion stallion of the world.—Western Horseman.

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C. W. Winter of Alhambra, who was about the best winning individual exhibitor in the standard bred classes at the exposition horse show, "came back" during the pigeon show for another quota of prizes, sending up six birds and receiving six awards, three firsts, two seconds and a third. Of four red rose wing Carneaux pigeons, one cock drew a first and another a second, while the hens were awarded a second and a third, respectively. Most pleasing of the awards, however, were the firsts for both cock and hen in the Flying Homer class, the pair sent up by Mr. Winter being probably the oldest brace of mated birds in the country. They were raised by their present owner at Alhambra and have been mates for nineteen years, which is a remarkable record. They are a wonderful pair and are still prolific, having raised three squabs last season and five the year before. Between Alhambra Prince and the pigeons, Mr. Winter has derived a great amount of pleasure and a bit of profit from his participation in the exposition's events.

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Julia M. (2) 2:13¾, her record made in the third heat of the junior pacing division of the Pleasanton futurity (a race which, by the way, she seemed amply capable of winning had it been raced "to a finish" on the old system) is the first performer to be credited to the seven-year-old stallion El Angelo 57039 by The Angelus 2:10¼, the latter horse being a son of Zombro 2:11 and the fast trotting mare Hazel Kinney 2:09¼ by McKinney 2:11¼. El Angelo was bred by T. W. Barstow of San Jose, passing eventually to D. W. Wallis of Los Banos and at present owned by Miller & Lux; his dam is Maud Jay C. by Nearest 2:22½ and out of Fanny Menlo by Menlo 2:12½, a son of Nutwood, Maud Jay C. being the dam of the trotter and speed sire Nearest McKinney 2:13¼. Through her dam Julia M. inherits a sturdy line of speed crosses, being out of Record Searcher by Searchlight 2:03¼, grandam Zeta Carter (dam of Chestnut Tom 2:17¼, etc.) by Director 2:17, third dam Lida W. 2:15¼ (dam of four, including Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½) by Nutwood 2:18¾, fourth dam Belle by Geo. M. Patchen Jr. 31, etc. This is certainly a husky combination of the families that have made California famous in the trotting world, and Julia M. will do to remember next season. She was trained and raced by Dave Allen of Newman and is still owned by her breeder, D. W. Wallis of Los Banos.

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George Swisher, who for many years was one of the well known and successful trainers of that section of the central west lying just east of the Mississippi and north of the Ohio, is wintering at his home at Provolt, Oregon, where he has a private training track, and is planning a trip into Canada for the early meetings of 1916. This season George raced through the Pacific northwest, his most consistent trotter being the bay mare Hallie B. by Hal B. 2:04½, dam Zircon by Vice Regent, whom he marked in 2:16¼ at Centralia. Hallie won one race and was seven times second, being the best of the unlucky band of trotters that had to eat Flora Dora Z.'s dust and call it good. A good three-year-old trotter in the stable is the colt Coos Bay which trotted 3-2 for George in this year's Oregon futurity, the time being 2:27 and 2:28 and the mud being somewhere between ankle- and knee-deep. This boy is a nice gaited trotter and a good bred one as well, being by McAlzo 2:17¼ (son of Zolock 2:05¼ and Zodell by Zombro 2:11) and out of Velma Z. 2:24¼, trial 2:12, by Zombro 2:11. The first time he was ever moved up he trotted a quarter at Salem in :37, and has made but two breaks in his career. Swisher also owns Bonnie June 2:24¼ by Zolock 2:05¼, dam by Woolsey, and some weeks ago purchased of the Woodland Stock Farm the pacing gelding Joseph Ansel (3) 2:12¾, whom he regards as the making of a very fast pacer if his front legs can be persuaded to stand the gaff. Later a move may be made to Spokane to complete the prep for the Canadian trip, and before long Mr. Swisher expects an addition to the stable in the shape of a horse he owns in his old home in Ohio—a five-year-old entire son of Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ and Clifford Converse (3) 2:29¼ (to high wheels on a halfmile track) by Norwood Wilkes, Clifford Converse being the dam of Charley Patch 2:09¾. "Letters from home" convey the information that the horse is a nice chestnut fellow of the 1200 pound kind, with the best of feet and legs. He has just been broken and never trained for speed, but George expects to ship him out and take some samples of his quality.

Cresceus 2:02¼, one time king of American trotting stallions, is reported to be serving the land of his adoption, Russia, as a member of a team in the army's commissary department. "Sic transit gloria mundi," if the Review will kindly pardon our infringement of their copyright. It looks like the old fellow deserves a better fate, but we have very great doubts concerning the truth of the rumor. Russia has too many ordinary horses and too high a regard for good ones to make such a situation probable.

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A northwestern horseman who enjoys the advantages of having a comprehensive breeding establishment immediately adjacent to a thriving city is Alfred J. Boyle of Tacoma, whose one hundred and sixty acre farm lies within the corporate limits of the Puget Sound shipping center here mentioned. With an abundance of green feed and grain hay at his disposal Mr. Boyle finds breeding both pleasant and profitable and has assembled a nice band of trotters, headed by the Brook Nook Ranche stallion Burion 2:29 (sire of A. J. B. 2:18, etc.) by Alcone 6780, dam Belle (dam also of Pearl Fisher 2:18½) by Kisbar 2:27¾. The mares are mostly with foal to Burion and the former California speed sire, Almaden D. 2:16¼, and include such well bred matrons as Savonne Hal by Pilot Hal, dam the triple producer Savonne by Jay Bird 5060; Whit Hazel by Zolock 2:05¼, dam Carrie Mann by Jack Burr; Tacoma Lass by Doctor Bunnell 2:16¼, dam by Sunrise 2:19¾; Fuchsia Mack 2:27¼ by McKinney 2:11¼, dam by Gossiper 2:14¾; Black Bess by Del Norte 2:08; Lady Rozell by Romont, dam May Moon by Barondale 2:11¼; Almonette by Almaden D. 2:16¼, dam May Moon; Bon Hal by Bonaday 2:11¼, dam Savonne Hal, and Mildred's Last by Alto Express 2:22¼, dam Mildred (dam of Holly Brand 2:06¾, King Seal 2:09¼, etc.) by Coeur d'Alene 2:19½. In addition to these there are a number of excellently bred young things at the farm, so Mr. Boyle has plenty of material to work on.

TALKING OF PACERS.

While regretting that our act inevitably must give pain to certain editors who have no use in the pedigree of a trotter for the blood of horses that pace, it nevertheless is a duty to our readers to call attention to the interesting fact that Moko (who has two brothers with records of 2:03¼ and 2:10, pacing) is the sire of the dams of two of the eighteen yearling trotters that this season took records of 2:30 or better. Also that Baron Wilkes 2:18, sire of Moko, is the sire of the dam of a new 2:30 yearling, and that two leading daughters of Baron Wilkes, viewed as producers, are Extasy p. (2) 2:10½, and Rachel p. 2:08¼. Extasy is credited with six trotters, one of them Lord Dewey 2:03¾, with four sires added for good measure. Inasmuch as Rachel numbers among her progeny Great Spirit p. 2:20 (who is the dam of Native Spirit (2) 2:09¾, Sweet Spirit (3) 2:09½ and Worthy Spirit (2) 2:14¼, each by a different sire), it will be seen that her blood is breeding on in both the male and the female lines—the best test of a broodmare—and that her daughter, Great Spirit, is in the front rank of matrons, when early speed production is the standard.

Sweet Spirit, a granddaughter of Rachel, is now in the broodmare ranks, and it will be of interest to note whether or not the line of great broodmares, which began with Willie Wilkes (dam of Rachel), and has done so well for three generations, is to be equally prolific of speed in the fourth.

And do not forget that Nervolo Belle, the pacing mare with a public trial of 2:11, and that has produced two champion colt trotters in Peter Volo (4) 2:02 and Volga (2) 2:07¾, had on view at Lexington this fall a yearling son by Axworthy 2:15½, that showed a quarter in :34 at the trot, and for whom an offer of $5,000 was refused.—American Horse Breeder.

UNIVERSITY FARM SHEEP WIN MANY EXPOSITION PRIZES.

Like its steers, the fat wethers exhibited by the University of California at the recent livestock show at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition won every prize for which they were entered. In the sheep-breeding classes also the University Farm won many honors.

Championships were won by the University for grade Southdown wethers and for a pen of them, a championship for a Southdown lamb, and a championship for a pen of yearling Southdown wethers. The University's Southdown wether lambs won the first, second, third and fourth prizes. Its Southdown wether yearlings won first, second and third prizes, as did also the grade Southdown yearling wethers. First prizes were won also for a grade Cotswold wether lamb, for a pen of three Southdown wether lambs, and for a pen of grade Southdown wethers. Second and third prizes were won for yearling Southdown ewes, and second prizes for a yearling Hampshire ewe and for a cotswold lamb.

A carlot of lambs which had been used in a feeding experiment at the University Farm, being fed there about ninety days, received a fourth prize, and another carlot received a fifth prize.

These results are gratifying to the University as showing what excellent opportunities its students enjoy at the University Farm to become familiar with livestock breeding and feeding work of the best quality, and with fine representatives of various types of livestock.

MR. WHITTED AND THE POINT SYSTEM.

Down in the central west the point system has been the subject of a good deal of hot controversy during the months last passed, its foremost defender being Ivanhoe Whitted of Iowa, one of the real live wires of the harness racing industry in that section. Against all comers—and the attackers have been more numerous and more vehement than the defenders—Mr. Whitted has held his own right worthily, his latest brief for the defense having appeared in the following communication to the Spirit of the West:

Editor Spirit of the West:—I was very much interested in the two expressions of opinion anent the point system recently expressed in your paper, the one signed by J. J. M., the other from the pen of my esteemed friend, "Ole Oleson." I have enjoyed a personal friendship with both these gentlemen for many years and, knowing them to be thoroughly honest, have the utmost respect for their opinions, on the point system or any other question. The first named, as intimated in his letter, has raced horses practically all his life. I know he races on the square, or as nearly so as any man in the business today. If I were to make any suggestion at all, in regard to his position, it would be that the world is moving ahead, or somewhere, every day, and rapidly; and that we older heads who have been racing so long are liable to finish away back unless we score up with the rest. The old placing system, which he lauds above all others, was a good system—in its day. I have never a word against it, only that it belongs to the past. Its day is over. The racing world is about to spirit away from it. Something must take its place in the future, whether the point system, the three-heat plan, or some other, remains to be seen. For, as I have tried repeatedly to point out, the world does not revert to ancient orders and traditions. You and I, friend John, will have to get a move on. Unless we can manage to keep in touch with Change and Progress we will get the flag.

In his letter he declares: "Any man that is in favor of the point system has not raced much or else has wheels in his head." I cheerfully plead guilty to the "wheels." Most people have 'em, more or less. Wheels are a good thing to have, provided they are kept properly lubricated and free from the gum and rust of inaction and short-sightedness. It is the wheels that keep the machine moving. Like my friend I, too, have been in the "game" a long, long time, not quite forty years but crowding it closer than I like to think about. My own experience, however, has been mostly on the other side, the journalistic side, but it has meant bread and butter just the same. And I am anxious to have the point system tried out further, in an amended form, because I have in mind the future of the sport of harness racing and the continuation of the breeding of the standard bred horse. I try to look past the end of my nose and the considerations of today only. There never was a time since the first trotter appeared in public when the sport of harness racing had as much in the way of competition to contend with as it has today; never a time of so many counter attractions bidding for patronage. In any other line of human endeavor, whether business or pleasure, we refuse to be hidebound. We pride ourselves on our enterprise and pull some quick and sudden changes in adapting ourselves to shifting conditions and circumstances.

One reason a good many horsemen object to the point system is because under its workings it is impossible to lay up heats. Impossible to "save" a horse when the exigencies of the occasion seem to demand some such action. My friend says he can "Lay up two heats and then win if he has the speed." Sure! One can always win if one has the speed. But as a general thing if the winning speed is on tap there is not much laying up of heats. Nothing is impossible in this world, it has been asserted. It may be possible to lay up two heats and still win under the point system, but the man who lays up as many as two heats, under this plan of racing, with the expectation of coming to the front and winning, has a mighty lot of chances against it, and the best prospect in the world of finishing outside the money. After one has raced a heat or two he is compelled to keep on racing to save what has already been gained. To lay back in a field of any size, even for a single heat, piles up the total number of points at a rate that very soon sends one's chances of winning ballywest-and-crooked.

Attention is called to a certain race at Sioux City, in the course of which, by a bit of fool racing luck (always a possible contingent), the logical winner was left out in the cold and a non-heat winner got away with first money. Yes, those things happen occasionally, under the present reading of Rule 153, but not often enough to kick up a very big row over. Friend John asks: "Is there any sense racing horses that way?"

Well, under the old placing system, which he insists is the best ever, I have more than once watched a horse win two heats and then, through some idiotic bit of bad luck, a bad sendoff, punctured tire, lost shoe, or bit of unwise action on the part of the driver, get the flag and have to go to the stall unrewarded. It has happened hundreds of times, and I have no doubt my friend himself has been the victim more than once in his long career as a teamster of trotters. And yet he does not condemn that system because of an occasional failure to do full and complete justice to all concerned.

The fact is a perfect racing system has never been devised. That is only half of it. The other half is that it never will be devised. The point system, as I have repeatedly pointed out, has one lamentably weak place in its makeup. I have also pointed out how, by the simple process of changing a few words, the very thing our friend complains of can effectually be eliminated forever. We have laws against the crime of murder, but, in spite of the constant infliction of the severest penalties, murder is an everyday occurrence. We have laws against stealing, but men—some men—continue to steal. Not for a minute do we consider the idea of repealing the laws because they fail to do all that was expected of them.

I insist that the point system makes better racing. It makes cleaner racing and keener, livelier contests from the point of view of the grandstand and the man up there who has contributed his little old "four bits" to see, not a hippodrome, but a race. And that is the point of view which should be kept ever in mind by both horsemen and race officials. That is the point of view I have in mind when I ask for a continuation of the point system another two-year period with a change in the wording, as suggested in a previous article, of Rule 153.

The point system creates vastly more interest among horsemen themselves. Mingle with the crowd of race hangerson at the drawgate at any big meeting, the place, by the way, where there is more real heart interest than at any other place about the track. Every groom, every owner, driver, stable boy or stable attache of any sort or character, will have a score card and will be found watching the progress of the race with the liveliest kind of interest, figuring, always, the number of points won by this, that and the other horse, and speculating—literally, often—the possibility the various stable favorites have of finishing in the money and how high up. There is a vital, all-absorbing, soul-gripping interest discernible never to be seen or found when racing under any other system.

I am aware some horsemen will say I am advocating a system that is inimical to their own personal interests; that I am not in sympathy with horsemen and working against them. Not so, not for a holy minute. Only, I am looking into the future, or trying to. I can both see and appreciate their point of view. If I were campaigning a string of trotters I might be found fighting the point system and standing for some plan in which I would not have to race so hard for the money. But if we are to keep the sport of harness racing alive and flourishing in the future and enable us to meet the keenest of competition from a multitude of counter attractions, we will have to conduct it under rules and regulations that will keep it out of the hippodrome class. The goose is still in a fairly thrifty condition and laying the golden eggs. We will have to be almighty careful of the same goose. It is entirely possible to crowd her into laying an extra egg or two for present needs at the risk of crippling her for future usefulness. By all means let us keep her in training.

My hat is off to "Ole Oleson" for his firm stand for the point system. He is one of the old guard. In addition to being a lover of the sport he is an all-round supporter, financial and otherwise. For many years he has been secretary of a prominent racing circuit in the western part of the state. And for still more years he has been a breeder, racing his own stock, and if this point system were the heinous thing that some few people would have us believe it is a singular thing that our friend "Ole" has not got wise to it.

Mr. Editor, some weeks ago your paper published a sort of "round robin," signed by a number of trainers and race drivers, in the course of which they expressed themselves in unmistakable terms concerning the merits and otherwise of the point system. They intimated that in the future meetings favoring that particular system of racing might not be favored with their presence and co-operation. Personally, I am glad the boys spoke out in meeting. Confession is said to be good for the soul, and maybe in this way they managed to get a bit of it out of their own systems as well as to hand a package to the point system. It was all right. We want every man to say his say before legislation, instead of waiting until after it is all over. Deliver us from the grouch that sulks in his tent with not a word to say until legislation has been enacted and then comes to the front with his exasperating bawl of: "Now see what you went and done!"

I am not in the least worried over that "round robin," or that any of the good fellows whose names are attached are going to go off with a back stall and do anything to hurt their own interests. They are all racing for the money. They have to have it in their business. And they get it wherever it is hung up in the most attractive wads and, point system or no point system, they are going to race for it. They know, too, that the process of evolution, the climbing to higher ideals and better things, is a slow and grievous one. It demands lots of slow miles, lots of training, lots of wind. There is not a man in the bunch that is going to sulk in his stall if this point system is given another two-year trial in an amended form. Not on your life. Their interests and the interests of race officials and breeders are identical; and they know that only team work and perfect harmony will serve to continue the best of all sports on a high, clean level, and enable it to hold a prominent place amid the world of country attractions.

California horsemen, aside from those who make the summer trip across the divide to race on the tracks of the Grand and Great Western circuits, as well as on those of the minor organizations of the Mississippi Valley, have had less to do with the point system than their eastern friends, as in this section it has been tried but little, the prevailing system at present being the three heat plan, with every heat a race. This method, while not perfect, presents much more pleasing conditions for both horsemen and public than does the point system, in our estimation, its principal shortcoming being that the public does not always go home convinced that it has really seen a horse win a horse race. How much more confusing, also exasperating, must it be to the laity to see a five heat affair in which the "winner" never won a heat! Perhaps a modification of both plans would add to their attractiveness both to horsemen and spectators, but as remarked above there never was and perhaps never will be a truly satisfactory system of racing.

The argument regarding the interest created at the drawgate by point system racing may be passed by without consideration. Not a man at the drawgate has paid a cent to see the races, and where the "vital, all-absorbing, soul-gripping interest" should be displayed is in the grandstand. No matter how well conditions work out among the horsemen, the "casual observer," who goes to but a few races a year, should not be compelled to come to the track with a tablet, two extra lead pencils, a book of rules, a sextant, a set of logarithms and a Philadelphia lawyer to be able to determine where the horses stand at the end of each heat, and the race.

THE PERCHERON-TROTTER CROSS.

"The late C. A. DeGraff demonstrated the great value and selling quality of the trotter-Percheron cross, and the other way around it is equally good. Trotting-bred mares that fail to produce marketable racing speed may be more profitably bred to a Percheron. Their produuce from a Percheron will sell on the average for about double the price of their produce from a trotter. Concrete exemplary proof of this is plentiful," writes the well known Minnesota horseman M. T. Grattan, to the Breeders' Gazette.

"At the age of 26 Easter, by Trample and out of Magic by King Herod, bred to various sires had failed to produce a race nag, while her full-sister Tareta had 6 in the list and producing daughters. So Easter at 26 was bred to a Percheron. The produce, now a four-year-old, is a model horse that the buyers all clamor for—400 pounds heavier than his dam, with splendid feet, big, flat, clean bone, blocky, symmetrical conformation, on short legs, with a beautiful head, eye and ear and good mane and tail. He is a powerful, steady worker, a fine lady's saddle and carriage horse, and is worth practically as much as all of his dam's previous produce by various trotting sires. He is mated with a gelding similarly bred, by a Percheron sire out of a trotting dam, that brought near the top price at a clearance of a large farmer moving to California. Buyers on the street have often begged for a price on this pair without success.

"Now for an instance or two of the other way around. County Commissioner John Thacher, Fillmore Co., Minn., led his grade Percheron mare into the barn where John Broadwater had his draft stallion to which the mare had been bred several times unsuccessfully. Mr. Broadwater declined to breed her again but offered to wager the amount of the stud fee that bred to Lodaller 2:19¼, sire of Princess Welcome 2:07¾, she would conceive at the first service. It turned out so and the produce, several hundred pounds heavier than the dam, is a horse of such marked superiority on a load or on the road and individually that Mr. Thacher says: 'He is the best horse I ever owned and I never drive him away from home but that some one tries to buy him. It would take $500 to get him.'

"The late Andrew Wimmber had a grade Percheron mare that quit breeding to draft sires and he turned her to Lodaller once. The resulting produce weighed over 1,400 pounds at 3 years and sold for $210 at the farm.

"There is of course a reason why the trotter and Percheron blood mingles so kindly. Might it not be because each of them has so largely an infusion of the Arab in its composition? The reunion of this strain after long separation makes it dominant for beauty, soundness, good disposition and adaptability to almost any job but racing."

The Exponent 2:11¾, foaled in 1904, leads all the members of the Bingen and Electioneer families as a speed sire for his age, which is a most enviable position for a horse to occupy. California is well provided with means of access to his blood through The Proof 2:10¾, owned by Keefer & Spencer and already proven to be a sire, and the younger stallions owned by Frank Turner of Santa Rosa, the latter mentioned youngsters having been premium winners at the P.-P. I. E.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY J. X. DeWITT

THE PACIFIC SALMON.

[Concluded from last week.]

King salmon, or chinook, are the great commercial fish of the west and the largest in size of the salmon, some specimens in Alaskan waters going to 100 pounds in weight. He is also known as the Quinnat salmon, King salmon, California salmon, Tyee salmon and Columbia River salmon; and it may be added that there are connected with each of the five fish of this species a string of terms, Indian and otherwise, of jaw-breaking proclivities; in fact, travel where you will along the western coast, you will constantly come across some other name for them. Then, too, individual members of the family are confused, one with another,—no two persons seem to have the same opinion or name for one fish or for any of the five. The best means of identifying the different specimens is by the rays of the anal fin; by the branchiostegal rays; and the gill rakers. Coloration and shape are often most unreliable things to go by in identifying the different members, for there is a liability to promiscuous changeability. The chinook salmon is listed by Jordan as having about 16 anal rays, 15 to 19 branchiostegals, 23 gill-rakers on the anterior gill-arch, and 140 to 185 pyloric coeca.

Second the list of the salmon comes the Blueback salmon (Oncorhynchus nerka), also known as the Sockeye, Red Salmon, Sukkegh, Redfish and Nerka. The blueback is widely scattered and the abundance of them should be a fact noted among many others. It is Alaska's prime canning fish; a fine-flavored specimen, forming a table dainty that is only excelled by the valuable chinook. According to Jordan it has about 14 developed anal rays, 14 branchiostegals and 75 to 95 pyloric coeca. The gill rakers are most numerous in this individual, numbering something like 39. Of the blueback it has been stated that "in the spring its form is plumply rounded, and the color is a clear bright blue above, silvery below, and everywhere immaculate. Young fishes often show a few round spots, which disappear when they enter the sea. Fall specimens in the lakes are bright crimson in color, the head clear olive-green, and they become in a high degree hook-nosed and slab-sided, and bear little resemblance to the spring run. Young spawning male grilse follow the changes which take place in the adult, although often not more than half a pound in weight. These little fishes often appear in mountain likes, but whether they are landlocked or have come up from the sea is still uncertain. These dwarf forms are called kokos by the Indians and benimasu in Japan, for the sub-species Oncorhynchus nerka kennerlyi. The flesh in this species is firmer than that of any other and very red, of good flavor, though drier and less rich than the king-salmon." The present writer wishes to make note of the fact that these degraded individuals, inland in habitant, are found in Idaho, Washington and Oregon, and northward also in British Columbian lakes. Having spawned, the mature individuals die, following the leveling rule that Nature has laid.

Third on the list of these salmon comes the Silver salmon (Oncorhynchus kisutch), also known as the Hoopid, Coho salmon, Skowitz, and Whitefish. As a commercial fish it has third place, though the flesh is not overly well flavored, lacking in rich red color and the delicious oils. While the blueback salmon has a weight of five pounds in the average to its credit, the silver salmon is better, the weight being from six to eight pounds. According to Jordan it has 13 developed rays in the anal, 13 branchiostegals, 23 gill-rakers and 45 to 80 pyloric coeca. The scales on this salmon are thin and all except those of the lateral line readily fall off. The feature distinguishes the species readily from the red salmon." The silver salmon is silver and green; the green noted above, with a liability to a few black spottings. Despite its lack of the finer points in flavor, as a food fish, over two million pounds were brought in at Seattle alone in the year 1911. It should be noted that the silver salmon possesses whitish flesh as different from the other salmon.

Fourth on the list, and fourth in commercial value is the Humpback salmon (Oncorhynchus gorbuscha), also known as the Pink salmon, Holia, Haddah, and Hone. This salmon has to its credit a wide range of distribution, reaching from California to the coast of Kamschatka, to Japan, and northward. This salmon is by far the smallest of them, the average being from three to a possible six pounds in weight. According to David Starr Jordan, "it has usually 15 anal rays, 12 branchiostegals, 28 gill-rakers, and about 180 pyloric coeca. Its scales are much smaller than in any other salmon, there being 180 to 240 in the lateral line." The humpback salmon is bluish in coloration as to back, and silvery below. When on the verge of the spawning season this salmon asquires a hump at the shoulders from which is derived the name it bears. The food value of this salmon is questionable indeed and time was when it was absolutely disregarded by the canneries; but today there is a great impetus in this line. In the season of 1912 and 1913 over ten and one-half millions pounds of this fish were packed in Seattle. This proves that despite the fact that it has little commercial value, yet it is being made excellent use of in the canning business.

Fifth and last in this category of the Pacific salmon is the Dog-salmon, scientifically known as Oncorhyuchus keta. This fish is also nown as the Calico salmon, Lekai, Qualoh, Heyo, and Sake, after the Japanese. This fish is well known in Jananese rivers. It has a wide range of distribution, reaching from Californian waters northward, then southward into Asian territory. Also note the fact that its bulk is more appreciable than the last two named fish, and from eight to twelve pounds would take in this fish's capacity in weight. The dog salmon, however, is the most inferior of the five salmon as food and not until late years have the canneries sought, in the least, to concentrate on this specimen. In 1912, however, as high as seven and one-half million pounds were tinned in Seattle, for distribution throughout the markets of the world. Of this salmon Jordan, the highest authority on fishes in the world, has said: "It has about 14 anal rays, 14 branchiostegals, 24 gill-rakers and 140 to 185 pyloric coeca. In the spring it is dirty silvery, immaculate, or sprinkled with small black specks, the fins dusky, the sides with faint traces of gridiron-like bars. In the fall the male is brick-red or blackish, and its jaws are greatly distorted. The pale flesh is well flavored when fresh, but pale and mushy in texture and muddy in taste when canned. It is said to take salt well and great numbers of salt dog-salmon are consumed in Japan."

Information as to the habits and habitat of the various salmon individuals of the Pacific have not yet been decided upon, nor can there be any certainty as to the accuracy of many well-known investigations that have been laid down as facts. Jordan asserts that "there is no positive evidence that any salmon of the Pacific survives the spawning season." Governmental investigations tend to lay a doubt as to whether all of the salmon die after casting their spawn, and it has lately been held that many return to the ocean and live. Nor do they go to any certain limit in distance up the freshwater streams. Some have said they go at least a thousand miles upstream, despite obstacles. As a matter of fact they ascend till they reasonably cannot go any farther and then they, in natural sequence, spawn. It is commonly believed that these fishes spawn entirely in fresh water, but there has as yet been no proof that they do not also spawn in the ocean, or in salt water, to be more exact. From the time they become large enough to leave their fresh water home, to enter the ocean, till the time they return, no one knows exactly where they keep themselves. Salmon may be found around St. Lawrence Island, Alaska, the year round. It has also been found that a great number of the salmon do not go any farther up the rivers than three or four miles, and it may be said that these fish return to the salt water quite unharmed. But there is reason for this, inasmuch as they have incurred no gashes on their bodies, upon the rocks, wherein the freshwater parasites could gain a foothold. Logically speaking, it is the parasites that prove the undoing of the fish, not a set, immutable law on the part of Nature, making death the final outcome of reproduction and parenthood. This is what latter-day investigations tend to prove. Revolutionizing processes of going Nature one better are also under way. The government authorities have tried by a number of measures to help the fish in their spawning by stripping them of their eggs as they go upstream; and it is said that in the future a successful system will be formulated whereby the fish may be made to survive. Quinnat salmon are now successfully raised in many inland freshwater lakes, and in the eastern United States freshwater chinook salmon are an institution—large specimens are annually caught by the piscatorial element. The most notable of these successful attempts may be found in Lake Sunapee, New Hampshire, where the Pacific chinook thrives well with absolutely no hint of degradation, or the decay that is peculiar to this fish at the close of the spawning season. It is also a noteworthy fact that the chinook salmon has been introduced into European streams and lakes with what may be said to be eminent success. Time will prove whether or no the freshwater proposition is fallacious and disastrous to the life of other fish, or if the salmon may not be weened away from its age-old habits of ascending streams to a more placid, conservative system of spawning in lakes. In Massachusetts there has been a successful transplanting of Pacific salmon. Lake Quinsigamond furnished the first experimental try-out in that state. The lake is deep and exceptionally cold; food is plentifully supplied by the numerous and highly reproductive landlocked smelts. The outlet of the lake was carefully screened and ten thousand six-inch fish were planted there in 1912; twenty months later, in July, 1914, anglers caught over six hundred salmon in that lake, weighing from one to five pounds each. These successful results caused the commissioners to stock five other lakes in November, 1914, and this year (1915) some 100,000 of the chinook salmon's eggs were hatched and planted. At first it was thought that the pickerel and perch of these lakes would wipe out the young salmon before they had attained a likely size, but strangely enough the best of results have been noted. George H. Graham, of the Massachusetts Fish Commission, says regarding the work of transplanting these salmon:

"Since 1873 the Government has been experimenting with these fish, but not until they were introduced into Lake Sunapee was the work successful. Millions of them have been planted with very little success. It is possible that the many years of failure by the Government were due principally to two causes: first, the fish were planted in lakes and ponds that were not properly screened and, second, most of these fish were planted when very small. Year after year the results were the same and instead of going to the bottom of the trouble the same plan was carried out by the government. Small fish were planted in the lakes without screens and the fish allowed to run downstream, never to return. After these salmon were well established in Lake Sunapee the government made a faint attempt to study their habits when raised in fresh water, but these efforts were never finished and they know very little today as to the habits of these beautiful fish when confined to fresh water. They do not know whether or not these fish will spawn, or whether they spawn in the fall or in the spring. It is known that in France (the salmon by the way have been introduced to European waters) they have been kept in confinement for many generations and that they do reproduce. After going to the expense of getting them well established in Lake Sunapee it would seem that the government should endeavor to get all the information possible regarding them."

The proposition of stocking fresh water lakes with such salmon is surely a mighty big one, with a number of possibilities to its credit, the successful outcome of which promiscuous transplantings should give more sport to the fishermen yearly than has hitherto been realized.

AN OLD ENGLISH DECOY.

On the Duke of Devonshire's beautiful Hardwick estate, situated on the borders of Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire, is to be seen a most interesting relic of old wildfowling days—of those "good old days" when wildfowl of many kinds were to be met with in great numbers, not only amid the wild places bordering the sea but also far inland. In the Midland Counties, where duck were by no means so plentiful as in the low-lying fen-country, few of the old-fashioned duck decoys existed; but here and there, in secluded parts of the countryside, it was found possible to construct one of these ingenious contrivances for the catching of duck that would pay its way, even if it did not realize a large profit.

The example at Hardwick is built on the "cage" or trap principle, and, though it has not been in working order for many long years, sufficient still remains to enable the sportsman to form an idea of the construction and the working of the decoy, and a visit to this interesting spot is at once delightful and instructive.

This old decoy is situated amidst most beautiful surroundings. Overlooked by the romantic ruins of Old Hardwick Hall, it nestles in a small wood at the foot of a delightful stretch of rolling parkland. Adjoining the wood is a small but picturesque lake, where the writer has spent many happy days fishing for "tawny-finned" pike, dark-striped perch, and red-finned roach. Even in these times, when the neighboring countryside is scarred by the tall, black, smoke-belching chimneys of many collieries, quite a large number of wildfowl of different species come to this lake and several other smaller ponds in the park, especially during the winter; but, of course, in nothing like the numbers which came hither in the old days. Although within easy reach of a dozen colliery villages, Hardwick Park, with its many fine old oaks, hoary with age, its quiet and secluded plantations, and its numerous sheets of water, proves most attractive to wild life. Only a few months ago (during February of this year) a fine dog-otter was discovered in a rabbit-trap by one of his Grace's keepers near one of the trout-ponds, and during the past wild-duck season the writer saw at least three species of duck shot during one short afternoon, viz., mallard, teal, and tufted duck. The scenery hereabouts is delightful, and would need a more competent pen than mine to describe it adequately. Many times have I set out with pocket-book and pencil to record my impressions of this charming spot, but have found such a number of interesting things to see that I have rambled about the beautiful park all the summer day and returned home without having written down a single word. In such propitious surroundings was built the duck decoy, and doubtless at one time it answered its purpose well.

The pretty trout-book, which supplies the lake, also provided the decoy-pond with water. Much wisdom and ingenuity was displayed in laying out the site. After the pond had been made, high banks were raised around it, and well planted with larches, firs, and evergreens. Everything was done to keep the decoy quiet and secluded, for quietude is most essential if one wants to attract wildfowl. In the center of the pond was an island, on which the trap

was constructed. This trap was most carefully screened by trees and bushes of evergreens, together with other "cover," planted with the intention of hiding the wire-covered channel and of lulling the wary wildfowl into fancied security. Here, on the island, in the open spaces between foliaged trees, the birds were free from all outside disturbances, and could sit and preen themselves and doze away the hours between feeding times unmolested. In course of time they would readily take the corn or other foodstuff laid down inside the trap for them, swimming in and out of the open "cage" without suspicion.

The trap itself was simply a channel cut through the small island some eight feet wide by two feet deep. Over this channel were curved iron supports about six feet high, over which wire netting was stretched, and at each end of the "cage" was a trap-door, operated by means of a windlass and a wire rope running over pulleys fixed on the bed of the pond. These trap-doors were worked from a hut built in the bank of the pond.

We can readily imagine what would happen. The wildfowl, coming to this secluded hollow amid the trees, would learn to take the food scattered within the trap, the sight of their tame fellows—several semi-domesticated ducks being kept on the water to act as decoys—greedily feeding in such gloriously quiet surroundings being all that was required to break their natural wariness. When at last—probably after days of patient watching and waiting—there was a sufficient number of wild birds within the trap to warrant him making a haul, the decoyman would hasten to lower the trap doors and thus cut off all escape for the unsuspecting fowl. All he had to do then was to cross the water by a narrow plank bridge, enter the trap by the side door provided for that purpose, and secure the wildly fluttering creatures.

Although many years have passed since the decoy was last worked, there are still living in the neighborhood several old keepers who remember good hauls of wildfowl being made there. A few days ago the writer was conversing with an old man who at one time worked the decoy. "The last time I lowered t' traps," he said, "I made a tidy 'aul, considerin' 'twas back end o' season. I got thirty-six mallard an' duck that mornin'." I was also informed that on one of the last occasions on which the decoy was worked the "bag" consisted of nearly two hundred old rooks—a strange bag, truly, for a duck decoy! The old decoyman also told me that it was no joke entering the trap on a bitter cold winter's morning to take out the captured ducks. The fowl, he said, would fly frantically about, throwing themselves against the netting and falling back into the water in the shallow channel with much splashing. In a very few minutes the decoyman would be wet through to the skin—mightily unpleasant when snow was in the air and a shrewd wind was "keening" through the trees surrounding the decoy.

Today the decoy-trap is in ruins, the netting eaten away by time and weather. The curved irons still stand naked and gaunt between the trees. The narrow gangway over which the decoyman traveled to collect the spoils long ago disappeared, only the lichen-covered supports now standing. The pond itself is but an oozy shallow, where great beds of tall bullrushes and sedges grow profusely. Here and there a pool of stagnant water gleams, and coots, waterhens, and occasionally a pair of wild ducks nest unmolested amidst the thick cover of reeds. The last time the writer visited the site he disturbed a long-legged heron from his foraging along the margin of the brook running through the decoy, and was also surprised to observe Reynard sneaking away from the reed-cover. The red-brown fellow was evidently after the brace of teal which a moment after rose with much bustling of wings from a tuft of sedges.

The huts or sight-houses (there are two of these, situated at opposite ends of the trap), being of stone, are fairly well preserved, although the doors have fallen from their rusted hinges, and a thick deposit of dead leaves plainly tells that many years have passed since the decoy was used. The windlasses, used for raising and lowering the trap-doors, still remain, the wheels encrusted thickly with rust. Despite the decay into which it has fallen, however, there is still much to interest the sportsman, even though what was at one time a thriving and prosperous duck decoy is now but an abode of solitude—a sanctuary for the stray duck.

To the sportsman and the nature-lover there is something very attractive about a disused duck decoy. It is a link with the past—with the "good old days" when wildfowl swarmed in legions about the countryside. It is a relic of an old and not unsporting method of catching the wary wild duck—surely the warmest of all sporting birds. Some of these old decoys were run merely as a business venture, whilst others were laid down more for sport, or to supply country houses with birds for the table. The example at Hardwick Hall, I am informed, was specially constructed to supply the larder with wildfowl during the season, and at one time was very successful.—Arthur Sharp, in the British Sportsman.

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S. J. Williams and Jerome DeBee tied for first place and high gun prize in the Thanksgiving Day shoot conducted by the Utica Field and Gun Club. Both men shot Nitro Club shells and made scores of 101x105. Mr. DeBee also won the special shoot for the turkey and the handicap merchandise event, missing but one of his twenty targets.

THE INTERSTATE ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of The Interstate Association For The Encouragement of Trapshooting was held at the Association's office with The Corporation Trust Company, 15 Exchange Place, Jersey City, New Jersey, on Thursday, December 2, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

The roll-call showed the following members represented in person:

United Lead Company by Evans McCarty; Remington Arms-Union Metallic Cartridge Company by A. F. Hebard, T. A. Marshall and J. Leonard Clark; E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Company by T. E. Doremus and L. J. Squier; Winchester Repeating Arms Company by F. G. Drew; The Hunter Arms Company, Inc., by T. H. Keller, Jr.; Parker Brothers by W. F. Parker; The Chamberlin Cartridge & Target Company by Paul North; American Powder Mills by Murray Ballou; Hercules Powder Company by J. T. Skelly and Edward Banks; The Western Cartridge Company by H. E. Winans; The United States Cartridge Company by C. R. Babson and O. R. Dickey.

The Lefever Arms Company, the Selby Smelting and Lead Company and the Ithaca Gun Company were represented by proxy.

Thomas D. Richter and J. D. Dando, of "Sporting Life," and H. S. Rosenthal, of "Sportsmen's Review," honorary members of the Association, were also present, as was John H. Turner, Resident Director, E. Reed Shaner, Secretary, and Elmer E. Shaner, Treasurer of the Association.

Messrs. J. S. Fanning, H. A. Keller, Neaf Apgar, H. E. Poston and T. L. Briggs were present by invitation.

The secretary presented and read a copy of the notice of the meeting, together with proof of the due mailing thereof to each stockholder of the Association at least two weeks before the meeting, as required by the by-laws.

The transfer-book and stock-book of the Association were produced and remained during the meeting open to inspection.

Upon motion, duly made and seconded, the minutes of the last meeting were approved.

Messrs. Thos. D. Richter and Henry S. Rosenthal (neither of them being a candidate for the office of Director) were appointed inspectors of election and duly sworn.

The meeting then proceeded to the election of the Directors by ballot in accordance with the by-laws.

The reports of the President, the Secretary, the Treasurer and the Manager for the past year were presented, read and ordered to be filed.

The polls having remained open the period prescribed by statute, were ordered closed and the inspectors presented their report in writing, showing the following persons, stockholders of the Association, had received the greatest number of votes:

P. D. Beresford and J. R. Wettstein of the United Lead Company; A. F. Hebard, J. Leonard Clark and T. A. Marshall of the Remington Arms-Union Metallic Cartridge Company; T. E. Doremus, C. A. Haight and L. J. Squier of the E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Company; J. T. Skelly and Edward Banks of the Hercules Powder Company; T. H. Keller, Jr., of the Hunter Arms Company, Inc.; F. G. Drew, H. S. Leonard and W. R. Clark of the Winchester Repeating Arms Company; W. E. Parker of Parker Brothers; C. R. Babson and O. R. Dickey of the United States Cartridge Company; W. E. Keplinger and T. H. Keller of the Peters Cartridge Company; Paul North and J. H. Webster of the Chamberlin Cartridge and Target Company; A. H. Durston of the Lefever Arms Company; F. W. Olin and A. J. Norcom of the Western Cartridge Company; Murray Ballou and E. B. Drake of the American Powder Mills; W. B. Stadfeld of the Selby Smelting & Lead Company; George Livermore of the Ithaca Gun Company; John R. Turner and Elmer E. Shaner.

The chairman thereupon declared that the above named persons were duly elected directors of the Association.

Upon motion, duly made and seconded, the United Lead Company's resignation from membership was accepted.

Upon motion, duly made and seconded, the Black Products Company of Chicago was elected to membership and "The Sporting News" and "Sporting Goods Dealer," of St. Louis, and the "American Shooter" of Baltimore were elected to honorary press membership.

Upon motion, duly made and seconded, a meeting of the new Board of Directors for the election of officers, etc., was directed to be held at 1 p. m. this day.

No further business coming before the meeting, upon motion, duly made and seconded, the same adjourned.

The Directors' Meeting.

The meeting of the Board of Directors was held at 1 p. m. The meeting was called to order with Mr. F. G. Drew acting as chairman and E. Reed Shaner acting as secretary.

The following officers were elected to serve during the ensuing year: President, T. E. Doremus; vice-president, C. R. Babson; secretary, E. Reed Shaner; treasurer-manager, Elmer E. Shaner.

The minutes of the Directors' meetings held December 3 and 4, 1914, at Jersey City, and August 18, 1915, at Chicago, Illinois, and those of the several mail votes taken during the year, were duly approved.

By special permission, Mr. C. T. Summerson, of New York, addressed the meeting and requested the Association to interest itself in a gun club he was forming and which will have shooting grounds in Van Cortlandt Park, New York City. It was explained to Mr. Summerson that the Association, as an organization, could not interest itself in the proposition and that the proper way to handle the matter would be to take it up with the members of the Association as individual concerns.

The Tournament Committee presented a plan covering a change in the distribution of that part of the Registered Tournament Fund allotted to Registered State Tournaments. The matter was discussed at length and, by resolution, adopted. Briefly outlined, the plan calls for the forty-eight states to be placed in four classes, namely, A, B, C and D, and for the Association's contributions to State Tournaments to be made in accordance with this classification. Each State Tournament in Class A will receive $250; each State Tournament in Class B will receive $225; each State Tournament in Class C will receive $200; each State Tournament in Class D will receive $150.

By resolution, it was decided to set aside $2,000 of the Registered Tournament Fund of 1916 to be expended for trophies to be given to all new gun clubs, or re-organized gun clubs which have not been shooting for twelve months prior to the re-organization, which have affiliated themselves with their respective State Associations.

By resolution, it was decided to continue in 1916 the same general Registered Tournament policy as was in force in 1915. By this ruling, with the exception of State Tournaments, Leagues of Gun Clubs and Special Organizations, all applications to hold Registered Tournaments carrying requests for contributions must be made on or before February 15, and no application will be passed upon before said date.

By resolution, it was decided to print in booklet form the official averages of 1915, the booklet to contain a brief digest of 1915 records, Grand American and Subsidiary Handicap data, and other matter of interest to the trapshooting fraternity in general. This booklet will be distributed gratis to gun clubs holding Registered Tournaments and to other interested parties.

By resolution, it was decided to present a trophy to the winner of the High Amateur Average of 1915.

By resolution, it was decided to allow women to compete at future Grand American Trapshooting Tournaments.

Upon motion, duly made and seconded, the Directors' meeting adjourned at 4:45 p. m., to meet the following day at 10 a. m., at the Hotel Astor, New York City.

The adjourned meeting of the Directors was called to order at 10:40 a. m., December 3, with President Doremus in the chair. New business was at once taken up where left off.

By resolution, it was decided that, in addition to the high gun trophies now awarded in the Grand American Handicap, yardage trophies shall be provided for each yard mark, said yardage trophies to be competed for only by contestants that are allotted the same particular mark, and that no contestant shall be eligible to win more than one trophy.

Letters pertaining to trapshooting matters in general, received from Messrs. M. D. Hart, Richmond, Va.; H. R. Everding, Portland, Oregon; Chas. L. Ulmer, Lisbon, N. D.; D. D. Slater, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Frank J. Ray, Dickinson, N. D.; and C. H. Ditto, of Keithsburg, Illinois., were read, ordered to be filed, and the Secretary directed to extend the thanks of the Association to the several gentlemen for the interest taken in the welfare of the sport of trapshooting.

By resolution, it was decided that one make of trap and one make of target only shall be used at the Grand American Handicap Tournaments in 1916 and 1917.

By resolution, it was decided that the Grand American Trapshooting Tournament in 1916 shall be given during the week commencing with August 20.

By resolution it was decided that regular entries for the Grand American Handicap of 1916 must be made on or before Saturday, August 5, 1916. This is one week earlier than heretofore.

By resolution, it was decided that in 1916 the Grand American Trapshooting Tournament shall be given at St. Louis, Mo.; the Southern Trapshooting Tournament at Memphis, Tenn.; the Eastern Trapshooting Tournament at Philadelphia, Pa., and the Western Trapshooting Tournament at Omaha, Neb.

Inasmuch as no applications were received for holding the Tournament, it was decided, by resolution, not to give a Pacific Coast Trapshooting Tournament in 1916.

The following committees were appointed to serve during the year 1916:

Tournament Committee—J. T. Skelly, chairman; F. G. Drew, T. H. Keller, Jr., J. L. Clark, L. J. Squier, R. W. Clancy, H. E. Winans.

Trophy Committee—A. F. Hebard, chairman; W. R. Clark, C. R. Babson.

Gun Club Organization Committee—T. H. Keller, Sr., chairman; L. P. Smith, Edward Banks.

The committee to allot handicaps for the 1916 Grand American Handicap will be announced later.

After discussing matters of no particular interest to the general public, the Directors' meeting adjourned to meet at St. Louis, Missouri, in 1916, during the week of the Seventeenth Grand American Trapshooting Tournament.

THE INTERSTATE ASSOCIATION,
E. REED SHANER, Secretary.

FIELD TRIALS ON AT BAKERSFIELD.

For the second time during the year of 1915, dog fanciers are assembled at Bakersfield for the annual field trials of the Pacific Coast Field Trials Club, the reason for two "annual events" being held in one year being on account of the changes in the game laws which bring the open season for quail to an end on January first rather than on February first, as was previously the case. Early in the week President John W. Considine and Secretary S. Christenson went to Bakersfield from this city to make all final preparations for the sport, which was scheduled to begin Thursday morning. Entries did not close until Wednesday evening, and from the early entries it would seem that the number of sportsmen and dogs in attendance would approach record figures, goodly delegations being guaranteed from this city, Sacramento, Los Angeles and numerous other cities where the setter and pointer's friends are legion.

As usual, the trials are being held on the property of the Kern Land Company and conditions at present are very much more favorable than those prevailing last January. Quail are more plentiful and recent rains will serve to keep down the dust, the dryness of the fields having interfered greatly with the performances of the very best and most reliable hunting dogs at the last meet, there being just enough alkali in the soil to prove very bothersome to a sensitive nose when dry and powdery. In January, performances were very disappointing in almost every instance, but this week some most enjoyable sport was confidently anticipated. John A. Schumacher was appointed presiding judge, the action meeting with general approbation, and his associates were to be chosen from among those in attendance at the trials.

DUCKS SCATTER IN STORM.

The last rains have had the effect of further scattering the wild fowl which have the habit of following the fresh water. The result has been that the shooting on the inland game preserves has fallen off greatly, the ducks no longer being found in such numbers as formerly. Sunday last the hunters of one of the gun clubs who have been in the habit of getting the limit by 9 o'clock in the morning stayed until noon in the blinds and then turned with but 22 or 23 birds each.

Sacramento valley gunners expect to have some excellent shooting very shortly along the Yolo basin. Those who plan on going further afield are expecting word to the effect that shooting may now be had in the rice fields of Colusa county, where the lessees charge the hunters for the privilege of going on the grounds.

SAN FRANCISCANS RESPECTING GAME LAWS.

San Francisco, the clearing house for game violations in the state, is giving the Fish and Game Commission less trouble than ever before, according to R. D. Duke, the attorney of that body. This is due to the fact that the officers have persisted in their fight, making arrests with great regularity at first, despite the fact that no convictions followed, and seizing all game as it arrived, until finally it became unprofitable for the dealers and restaurants to handle the game. The fight even was carried into the higher courts when the dealers sued the commission.

Three years ago, Mr. Duke says, he was in court every day on one of the game cases. He has been in court but once this year.

MONEY IN LIONS.

Henry Doran, who lives near North Bloomfield in Nevada county, enjoyed a very prosperous hunt a few days ago. He was out in the vicinity of his home and saw a mother lion and two smaller lions, one of which was quite near him. He killed a fairly good sized lion and then went after the mother and cub but could not find them. He will receive twenty dollars from the State Fish and Game Commission for the bounty and will receive a similar amount from the stockmen, making forty dollars in all for a few minutes' pleasure. Mr. Doran will go after the missing two lions and hopes to clean up eighty dollars additional this month.

SEASON'S FIRST COURSING MATCH.

The first coursing match of the present season was programmed for last Sunday at the John Elliott ranch near Franklin, under the auspices of the Capital City Coursing Club of Sacramento. Over thirty dogs were entered to contest for the Rossiter Cup and the $175 hung up in prize money, but while a good crowd was in attendance the sport was marred by rain and tall grass, the field officials calling it a day after the preliminaries and semi-finals had been run off, the stake money being divided among the owners of the eight dogs which are still eligible to the elimination contests for the Rossiter Cup.

The drawings for the preliminaries matched the following pairs, who raced their trials as here given: H. Donahoe's Black Tom beat G. Heintz's Oakland Maid; Roy S. Avery's Checker Board beat D. Hogan's Pride of Richmond; D. Hogan's Richmond Boy beat Malcolm & Deckleman's Lady Kitchner; Lew Norton's Fighting Little beat D. Driscoll's Betsy Dempsey; J. H. Rossiter's Thread of Fire beat C. Mack's Jem Long; George Heintz's Oakland Beau beat Lew Norton's Cordova Girl; T. Kennedy's Pepper Kid beat G. Heintz's Oakland Girl; L. B. Morris' Hailstone beat Mrs. Tufts' Wild Rose; L. Monreal's Young Royal Gold beat H. Donahoe's T. J. Cronin; Carrol & Welsh's Mayhews Boy beat J. Hawke's Bob Wade; J. Hawke's Pints beat W. E. Loyd's Blue Bell; D. Hogan's Richmond's Best beat J. Quill's Rover; Carrol &Walsh's Country Boy beat Malcolm & Deckleman's Sweet Alice; L. Monreal's Young Gold Musk rol & Walsh's Country Boy beat Malcolmm & Deckleman's South Side Queen beat J. Hogan's Snoozer; D. J. Cahil's Abbeyfeale beat Malcolm & Deckleman's Three Paw.

For the first of the secondary qualifying contests, Checker Board beat Black Tom, Richmond Boy beat Fighting Little, Oakland Beau beat Thread of Fire, Pepper Kid beat Hailstone, Mayhews Boy beat Young Royal Gold, Richmond's Best beat Pints, Young Gold Musk beat Country, Abbeyfeale beat South Side Queen, leaving Checker Board, Richmond Boy, Oakland Beau, Pepper Kid, Mayhews Boy, Richmond's Best, Young Gold Musk and Abbeyfeale still eligible for further elimination matches for the cup.

COMING EVENTS.

Memphis, Tenn., May 9, 10, 11, 1916—The Interstate Association's Eleventh Southern Trapshooting Tournament, under the auspices of the Memphis Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Southern Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburgh, Penn.

Omaha, Neb., June 13, 14, 15, 1916—The Interstate Association's Eleventh Western Trapshooting Tournament, under the auspices of the Omaha Gun Club; $1,000 added money. Winner of first place in the Western Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburgh, Penn.

Philadelphia, Penn., July 18, 19, 20, 1916—The Interstate Association's Tenth Eastern Trapshooting Tournament, under the auspices of the Keystone Shooting Shooting League; $1,000 added money. The winner of the first place in the Eastern Handicap guaranteed $100 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburgh, Penn.

St. Louis, Missouri, August 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 1916—The Interstate Association's Seventeenth Grand American Trapshooting Tournament, under the auspices of the St. Louis Trapshooters' Association; $3,500 added money. Winner of first place in the Grand American Handicap guaranteed $500 and a trophy; winner of second place guaranteed $400 and a trophy; winner of third place guaranteed $300 and a trophy; winner of fourth place guaranteed $200 and a trophy, and the winner of fifth place guaranteed $100 and a trophy. Numerous other trophies will also be awarded. Elmer E. Shaner, Manager, Pittsburgh, Penn.

LONG LIVED TRAP SHOOTERS.

Uncle Joe Hineman of Wausau, Wis., is 91 years of age, yet he never misses a trap shoot that he can attend. He is on the job with the shooters every time they go out to the traps in Wausau.

Recently one of Uncle Joe's admirers propounded the following query: "Uncle Joe, how old does a man get before he loses his desires along the line of trap shooting?" With a merry twinkle in his eye, he replied: "Can't answer your question; you will have to hunt up some person older than myself."

Dr. O. R. Britton, 74 years of age, was an active participant in the shoot at Indianapolis when the ball players recently shot their match there. His score would indicate that he has not permitted Father Time to dim his shooting eye. On his last birthday a complimentary shoot was given this veteran, who has been before the traps over half a century. He turned in a score of 96 in a possible 100.

Remington-UMC Notes.

Scoring 92-100, T. E. Graham won high amateur average recently at the Round Lake (Ill.) Gun Club. He shot the Perfect Shooting Combination of Remington pump gun and Nitro Club shells, as did R. Bennell, who came in a close second with 91x100.

Bert Wagner, shooting Arrow shells, won high amateur average, and also made a long run of 61 straight, at a shoot held by the Prospect Hill Outing and Gun Club of Burlington, Ia. He broke 96 out ot his 100 targets.

Championships closed with the Arizona meet. The shooting this year has been of an unusually high order, the average of the winners coming pretty close to the hundred mark. Of the forty-three shoots it is a noticeable fact that the winners of more than half of them shot either Remington guns or shells, and in many instances, both. Among the most popular victories of the season just closed were those of Chas. H. Newcomb in Pennsylvania, E. A. Randall in Maine, H. J. Prendergast in New York and W. O. Runnels in Virginia.

RAIN FAILS TO STOP SHELL MOUND SHOOTERS

Sunday was anything but an ideal day for practice at the targets, but Shell Mound shooters are proof against such slight discomforts as wind and rain, assembling at the ranges in goodly numbers and turning in some excellent scores in spite of the handicaps under which the contests were staged. The events and contestants, with the scores shot out, are as follows:

Swiss Rifle Club, monthly medal shoot—Frank Muehlebach 226, 221; John Frei 222, 220; A. Schwarz 220, 220; J. R. Stalder 213, 198; A. E. Hintermann 206, 196; John S. Leutenegger 197, 190; H. Perrin 195, 186; Louis Hauser193, 193; Louis Hansen 193, 193; John Baumann 193, 184.

Swiss Rifle Club, monthly bullseye shoot—A. Hintermann 280, J. A. Sutter 380, A. von Wyl 455, Louis Hauser 460, J. Iven 500, John Baumann 590, John Frei 820, J. R. Stalder 1000, A. Schwarz 1025, H. Perrin 1030, C. Bachmann 1405, John S. Leutenegger 1720, F. Muehlebach 1020.

Company A, Irish Volunteers, monthly medal shoot—William Gaul 39, F. Dugan 39, Captain J. Waters 38, Lieutenant William Gaul 38, Corporal T. Moynihan 36, Corporal F. D. Cronin 35, Sergeant B. McGahey 33, William Cullinane 32, Sergeant J. Brodie 31, Lieutenant D. Harnedy 30, William F. Coleman 27, J. F. McArdle 26.

Independent Rifles, monthly shoot—Frank Schohay 46, C. Edel 42, Major B. D. Hilken 54, Lieutenant C. Iverson 66, J. M. Hansen 37, Lieutenant P. Volkman 35, A. Williams 40, E. Golch 42, H. Marzolf 44, O. R. W. Vossbrinck 47.

Germania Schuetzen Club, monthly medal shoot—Expert class: B. P. Jonas 213, William F. Blasse 221, George A. Pattberg 220, Otto A. Bremer 196. Champion class: G. C. Gunther 196, 192; John de Wit 190.

NEW MEMBER TOPS VERNON SHOOTERS.

Louie R. Mellus, a new member of the Vernon Gun Club, won a leg on the W. H. Wiltshire trophy, which was contested for at the club trap Sunday morning at fifty targets, distance handicap, by breaking forty-nine, a difficult feat for Mellus as he is new to the game but has progressed so rapidly that he was stationed at the eighteen-yard range. Mellus had a high run of forty-three.

Although a good many shooters were stalking the fields for duck and quail twenty-one trapshooters favored the club with their attendance.

Dupont Guy Holohan was high gun in the 100-bird practice contest, breaking 95 out of the 100. Stanton A. Bruner was the runner up with 93 "kills" out of a 100.

Mellus' nearest competitor was Dierdorff, who shattered 47 saucers out of the half-century. Third honors were taken by R. L. Hall. Hall smashed 46 birds.

The scores in the trophy shoot also counted on the black bird fobs. In class A Mellus led, while in class B. Dierdorff had first honors, in division C Hall, and in D, A. J. Smith.

The scores:

Name.	Practice. Tgt.	Bk.	Dist., Yds.	Trophy. Tgt.	Bk.
A. W. Bruner	50	39	16	50	43
R. L. Hall	125	105	16	50	46
W. H. Pugh	60	53	18	50	40
A. Keeton	75	51	16	50	38
Van Nest	50	34	16	..	..
Dr. Packard	50	40	20	50	43
S. A. Bruner	100	93	20	50	45
S. H. Wilson	50	32	16	..	..
Dierdorff	25	22	18	50	47
T. P. Smith	100	133	18	50	43
Lou Mellus	75	64	18	50	49
C. E. Groat	50	35	18	50	35
Harry Cline	50	42	16	50	43
Mrs. C. E. Groat	75	18	16	..	..
A. J. Smith	125	99	16	50	43
Charles White	125	104	16	50	38
Ed Bohring	25	23	16	..	..
Vickey Kester	25	13	16	..	..
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J. W. Meed	50	44	18	50	42
Guy Holohan	100	95	20	50	44
Casner	25	19	16	..	..

FORD SCORES HIGH MARK AT SAN JOSE.

C. R. Arques and Carl Schilling defeated O. N. Ford and William McKagney by a margin of one target in a special match over the traps at San Jose Sunday morning. The winners each broke 23, while Ford pulverized 25 and his partner 20. In the 50-bird race Ford, shooting in championship form, scored 49, being four targets ahead of his nearest competitor. While Bill McKagney was high gun with 19 out of 24 in the doubles. The winner made a run of 40 before missing. Ford led at the white flyers, getting 11 erratic plungers in a high wind, out of a dozen. The score:

Single bluerocks: O. N. Ford 50-49, C. R. Arques 50-45, Wm. J. McKagney 50-44, C. Schilling 50-44, F. Chapman 50-42, A. Dow 50-40, F. Pinard 50-40, B. Jones 50-39, A. Smith 50-38.

Doubles at 12 pair: Wm. J. McKagney 24-19, C. R. Arques 24-18, R. C. Hogg 24-17, C. Schilling 24-17, A. Smith 24-15.

Twelve flyers: O. N. Ford 12-11, C. R. Arques 12-10,, Wm. J. McKagney 12-10, R. C. Hogg 12-9, George Maccubbin 12-9, A. Maccubbin 12-8, F. Chapman 12-8, A. Dow 12-7, B. Jones 12-6.

A New Year shoot will be held by the San Jose club on January 2.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

THE FARM

SHEEP IN AUSTRALASIA.

More and larger flocks of sheep are necessary to the full development of profitable agriculture in the Middle and Eastern States, according to specialists in the department. Under the present conditions, however, sheep raising in this country has not proved as attractive as in Australia and New Zealand. The department has recently conducted an investigation, the results of which have just been published as Bulletin 313, into the basic principles of the industry in those countries.

In New Zealand, says this bulletin, sheep raising is conducted on lines midway between those followed in our farming states and those in the range states. In Australia the sheep industry is, in the main, what would be called in America a "range proposition." With a total land area of a little more than the State of Wyoming, New Zealand has about 24,500,000 sheep, as against 4,500,000 in Wyoming. The average size of the New Zealand flock is now 1,124, and seven-eighths of the sheep are in flocks of more than 500 head each. In Wyoming the average size of the flock is nearly 3,000 head. From 1 to 8 sheep per acre are maintained in New Zealand on land which has been plowed and sown to artificial grasses. If the land has been surface sown without plowing, this number is reduced to from ½ to 2 sheep per acre. and valued Las high as $150 an acre has been profitably kept in grass for grazing alone, and nearly one-half of the occupied area is used mainly for sheep. The important place thus occupied by sheep in New Zealand is declared to be evidence of the possibilities of profit from valuable land devoted to well-managed flocks. The size of these flocks insures them an interest and care which is not so frequent in the farming states in America.

In Australia conditions more nearly resemble those in the American range states. Much of the Australian land now used for sheep growing is destined to be devoted to farming, and the government is taking an active part in assisting this development. In the meantime land is plentiful and the flocks have much space in which to run. There is, however, one fundamental difference between the managemenet of the range in Australia and in the United States. No Australian sheep owner is permitted to use the public domain without charge. On the other hand, he is in no danger of having his land grazed by other persons' flocks. Under the leasing system employed in Australia, the sheep owner secures for long periods of time, at prices varying with its value, absolute control of the land he uses. When the government is ready to resume the land in order to divide it into smaller allotments, the sheep owner is recompensed for whatever improvements he may have made and is, in addition, permitted to retain his own central homestead. In the opinion of the Australians the additional security and the permanence of the business more than compensate for the rent paid to the state. In America, stockmen themselves are inclining toward this point of view, as some means of controlling and improving the public grazing lands is believed to be urgently needed.

In another important respect sheep raising in Australia differs from that on the American range. In Australia the flocks are not kept collected and under the care of herders, but are fenced into "paddocks" which vary from 5,000 to 10,000 acres in size. Here they are left to run at will under practically natural conditions. In many cases they are only rounded up once a year for shearing. Even at lambing time there is little necessity for attention. This plan not only lessens labor—a difficult problem in all parts of Australia—but puts the sheep into better condition than when they are in charge of even the best herders. On the other hand, the fencing of the sheep runs is, of course, an added expense, but this is considered a less important item than the advantages already named.

The greatest difference of all, however, between the American and Australian sheep industries, is probably to be found in the handling of the wool after it has been shorn. This subject has already attracted considerable attention, and, although it is not believed that the time is yet ripe for advocating the complete adoption in America of Australian methods, familiarity with these would unquestionably aid American wool-growers to perfect important improvements in their present practice.

In the United States the wool is not infrequently sold before it is shorn, and in any event the sheep are not sorted for shearing. The entire fleeces are sacked just as they run and the price fixed for the entire clip, not for the various grades. The clips are usually sold to traveling buyers and are only graded after they have ceased to be the property of the grower.

In Australia and New Zealand, on the other hand, the wool almost invariably remains the property of the grower until it is sold to the manufacturer. Under this system the cost of actually shearing the sheep is only about one-half of the amount which the grower expends in preparing his wool for market. He himself divides his wool into various lots, and the grading is done with uniformity and exactness. Overclassing, however, is avoided. In one Queensland shed 10,000 two-year-old wethers were shorn and the clip divided into 11 classes. In a New South Wales flock of 7,000 head composed of ewes, yearling ewes and rams, 28 classes were made, but this is probably an instance of overclassing.

Despite the expense that this practice involves the Australian is firmly convinced that he realizes more for his wool by selling it in such a number of distinct lots, that the manufacturer can find exactly the kind of wool he needs for a particular fabric and can buy that wool alone. An additional advantage is the opportunity that this system allows of enabling the grower to determine the profit that he makes for each particular type of sheep and wool. It often happens that a heavier fleece with a slightly lower value per pound yields more profit to the grower than a lighter fleece with a higher value per pound. The separate sale of different classes of wool permits the sheep breeder to determine definitely what class of sheep he wishes to develop.

The Australian method of preparing wool is accompanied and made possible by an auction system of selling. Even a lot as small as one bale can be readily disposed of in this way, whereas in the American wool trade few buyers care to purchase lots of less than 10,000 pounds. This condition arises from the fact that the dealers who purchase entire clips at a lump price per pound have to sell to manufacturers who wish large lines of some single grade. It is not worth while, therefore, for the dealers to buy a small clip containing many different classes, none of which are in sufficient quantity to meet the manufacturers' requirements.

To inaugurate the Australian auction system in America would require, it is estimated, a co-operative movement by growers representing 20 per cent of this country's clip. If 50,000,000 pounds of wool were suitably put up and offered for auction for a number of years, it might result in establishing the new method of doing business. This, of course, is not likely to happen for several years to come. Another possibility is to consign classed or graded clips to commission dealers and permit them to combine different parts of various clips to suit the demands of the trade. This method also calls either for co-operation or for close and confidential relations between the grower and the selling agent.

DWARF MILO PROVES CHAMPION GRAIN AND SILAGE CROP.

Dwarf Milo has proved a highly successful crop in the University of California's experiments with sorghums at the University farm.

As a silage crop Milo equaled Indian corn in tonnage, and as a grain crop it exceeded anything grown under field conditions at the University Farm at Davis this year.

The average production at the University Farm in 1915 of dwarf Milo for silage was 11.27 tons per acre from 6.05 acres, and of grain it was 5,175 pounds per acre from 12½ acres.

The Milo cut for silage came from two different fields. In field No. 4 with one irrigation of 6 inches of water it produced 9.73 tons per acre. In an orchard plot with no irrigation but grown on land that was summer fallowed the previous year, and a cover crop grown and turned under in the spring, it produced 13½ tons per acre. The rainfall for 1913-14 was 28 inches, and for 1914-15 it was 20 inches.

The Milo cut for grain was on two fields. In field No. 12 in 1914, a crop of barley was taken off. It was plowed January 1, and replowed April 13, 1915. This field produced 4,020 pounds of grain per acre without any irrigation.

An orchard plot under the conditions mentioned above produced 5,491 pounds of grain. The following method of cultivation was used: The land was plowed as early in the spring as possible; kept cultivated and clean until all the rains were over; sown about May 25; rolled, after seeding, to bring moisture to the surface and give a firm seed-bed; and cultivated twice during the growing period, to kill weeds and conserve moisture. About nine pounds of seed were sown to the acre, in rows 36 inches apart.

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Straw mulching is being urged by the University of California as a help to orchards and small fruits.

The Division of Soil Chemistry and Bacteriology of the University of California has found that one of the most important considerations in the maintenance of fertility in California soils is a proper supply of available nitrogen. The poorer soils are in organic matter, the less likely they are to make available all forms of fertilizer nitrogen, and their own nitrogen as well; the better they are supplied with organic matter, the more likely they are to make all forms of nitrogen available. It is, therefore, essential for the proper nitrogen condition of the soil, in California at least, to have plenty of organic matter there. This may be accomplished by using very large quantities of organic matter in the form of barnyard or green manure, but it is very difficult to do it by that means, and too expensive. It can be done better, so far as orchard crops or small fruits are concerned, through combining a part of this manuring method with a system of straw mulching in the summer or by a permanent system of straw mulching alone.

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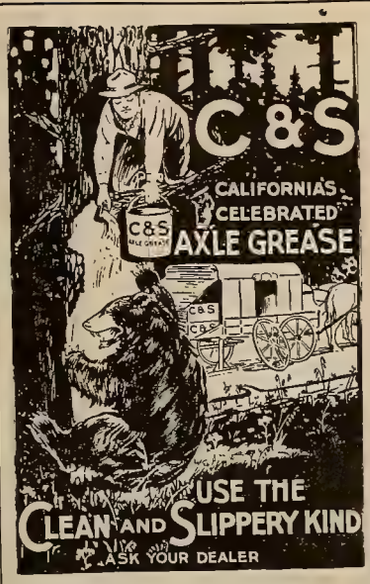
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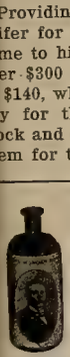
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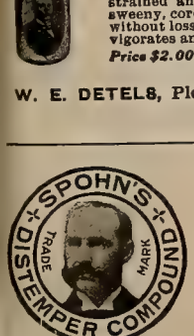


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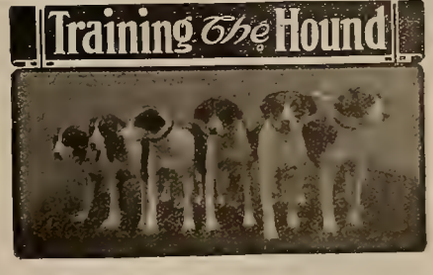
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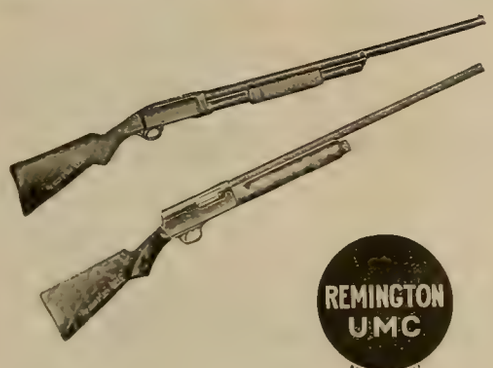


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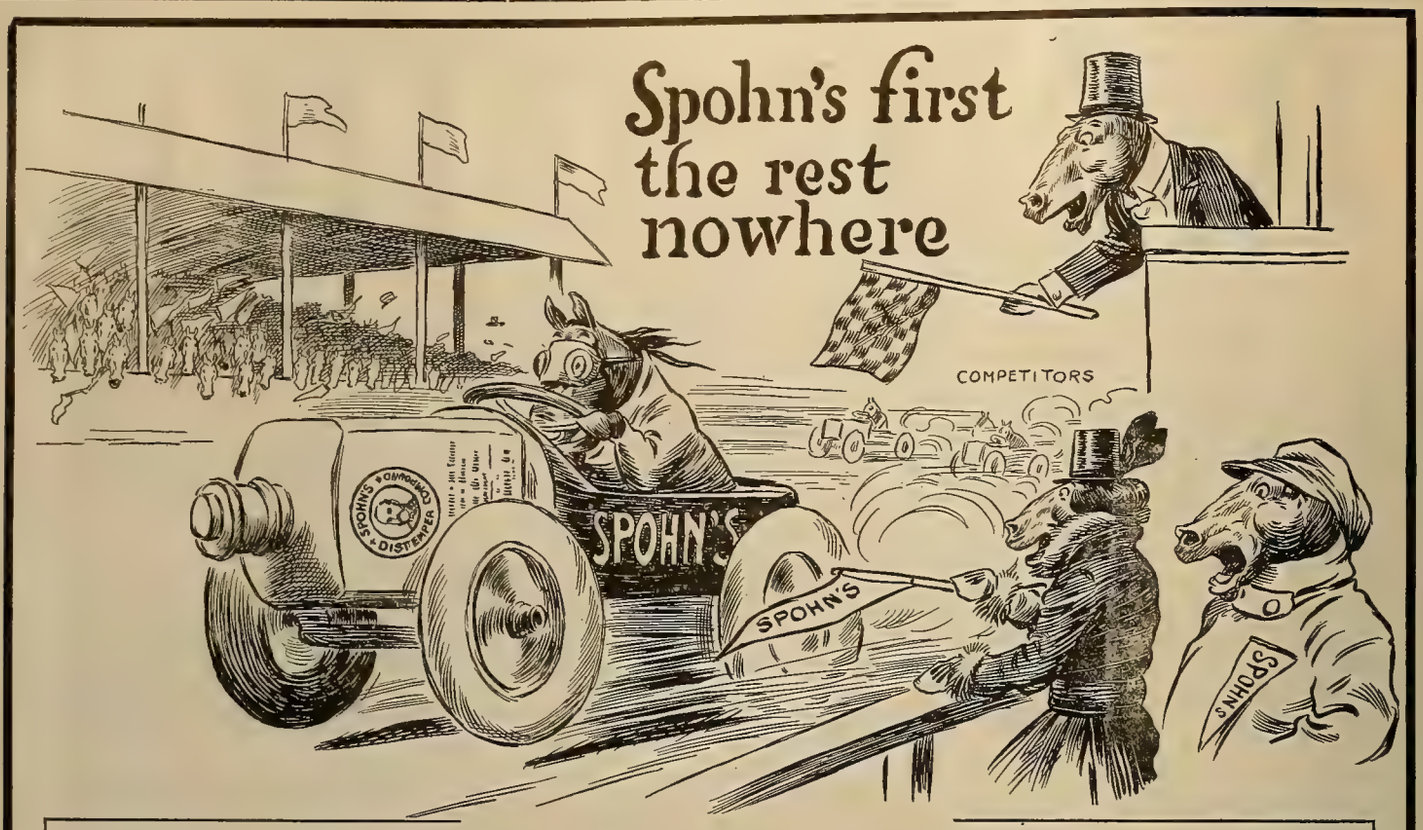
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FAIR MOVEMENT POPULAR.

Hardly a day goes by that into this office does not me some manifestation, either by written or spoken rd, of the spreading popularity of the movement r a circuit of district fairs launched here during e exposition race meeting, and from all present dications Secretary Robert A. Smith of the Pacific ast Fair Association will have plenty of work ead of him on his return from his eastern trip, as ll as an ample sufficiency of co-operation from rious sources. It seems well assured that Califor- a will have quite a little chain of fairs during the ming season, and state aid will not figure in the ancing of any of them. The fair association was rmed with the idea of raising a goodly sum and aranteeing its own purses at a number of fairs, but m the way the idea is being taken up in various wns, all that will be necessary for that body to do ll be to aid in forming a series of dates that will t be conflicting and in lending the co-operation of officials and members to the local associations.

A number of members of the Golden Gate Thorughbred Association have signified a desire to see e runners provided for in a representative way at e fairs throughout the state, and while such a oposition presents a number of angles and ins and ts that will require considerable smoothing out fore it can be made a success, there is no real ason why the thoroughbred should not play his rt in every fair in the state. As we said some eeks ago in these columns, a fair belongs to all the ople, and as a popular medium of education, inration, entertainment and amusement it must peal to all the people if it is to achieve success the true sense of the word. The thoroughbred ays a very important part in the world's affairs, d California in the days gone by has sent forth me of the most famous members of the American anch of the family. All over the country the runng races are working their way back into public vor, and their incorporation into the regular proams at our fairs would be a source of pleasure to any people, give the local end of the breeding inistry just that much more of a boost, and bring st so much more help to the movement to retablish our district fairs. There are numerous ate and county fairs where both the trotter and the nner are catered to, and there are no insurmountle difficulties in the path of such a plan of produre here.

Another branch of horsebreeders who have evinced their interest in the work of the Pacific Coast air Association and stand ready to lend their support and co-operation in every way possible are those ho center their activities upon the production of e gaited saddle horse. California at this moment osts of a number of establishments of more or less etentious size where the gaited saddler reigns upreme, and at recent state and district fairs the hibition of these grand specimens of the equine mily have aroused the interest and enthusiasm of e spectators to a very high pitch. At the recent position horse show the most popular of the constants were the saddlers, and while our eastern sitors from the centers where the five gaited horse as been established for generations carried off the ajor awards, the representatives of our farms fered ample evidence of the fact that we ourselves e producing horses of this class of the very best d most acceptable type. Equestrianism is grow- g in favor by leaps and bounds both in the east d here in the west, and the saddle horse breeders are anxious to do their share toward popularizing him further through that best of mediums, the local fair. They have gone so far as to signify their willingness to aid in the "missionary work" by having one of their number visit various points in company with the representative of the fair association, and the aid thus rendered will be of inestimable value to the cause.

While no direct tenders of assistance have been received from the draft horse breeders, to the writer's personal knowledge, casual conversation of late with several gentlemen who are in this branch of the breeding industry leads to the belief that much assistance will be gained from that source. The California Draft Horse Breeders' Association is a body of wide awake business men who are fully aware of the opportunities presented them through the holding of numerous fairs, and they will not be slow in answering any requests made of them when the time comes. Livestock breeders in general are endorsing the movement, and the outlook for the eventual and permanent re-establishment of the subsidized district fair is more promising than at any time since the former appropriations were discontinued.

Right now, before any work by the association has been done at all, there are enough fairs in sight for 1916 to justify owners and trainers to begin figuring definitely on having several weeks of racing this season. Salinas must give a fair this year or lose her appropriation, and there is no doubt but that the fair will be given; Pleasanton will give her usual event, that course having already been determined upon; Ventura and Riverside, both with money in hand from the successful fairs of 1915, are in line; Santa Rosa will give a good meeting, according to recent conversation with members of the association at that point; Hanford will resume her series of events where she left off when the exposition tore things up; Fresno, with a lesson learned this season at a considerable cost, will return to the fold, from all accounts, and the state fair promises a greater event than ever before in every line of endeavor; Bakersfield, where there is a completely equipped plant, has declared herself in on the proceedings, and it is not improbable that Santa Ana will give a fair of some description, the experimental one of the past season having met with considerable success; Ferndale will give the annual exposition of the Humboldt county section's resources, and it is possible that certain speed classes will be made open to all comers; the future course at Woodland is not yet known, but there is reason to believe that the situation there is well in hand and that the new owner and the county supervisors are acting in complete accord.

With this much to work on, it would seem that a bit of real enterprise on the part of the breeders of the various families of horses, coupled with the support of livestock growers and agriculturists in general, would set the district and county fair on a basis that will make them both permanent and profitable.

FIRST RACES ON MAY DAY.

While definite announcement of the fairs and race meetings of the regular season of 1916 will in all probability not be made until the latter part of January or the first of February, the Chamber of Commerce of the hustling little city of Dixon has sent out notice to horsemen throughout the central portion of California to the effect that the customary May Day celebration will be held there, and that the harness races will play an even greater part in the day's festivities than has been the case previously. There will be more races for more money, and as the events are usually made for half-mile heats horses can be raced there at a pretty good gait without taking chances of throwing them off in their training for the events which come later in the season. Last spring the races were "hot as hot," and some of the short heats were stepped in 1:01¼, with a number on the fast side of 1:05.

Chairman L. A. Morris of the Chamber of Commerce announces a new departure for the coming day of sport in the way of the "Dixon Colt Stake No. 1," which is a two in three affair at half-mile heats for two-year-olds, either trotters or pacers, and this stake will no doubt meet with the approval and patronage of horsemen who have futurity candidates in training. Entries close on January first (one week from today) when a payment of five dollars must be made. On March first a further payment of ten dollars is required to keep the engagement good, and on the night before the race a final assessment of ten dollars will be levied on starters. All entrance money and starting fees go to the race, to which its sponsors will add the sum of $150, the total amount to be raced for and divided into four moneys on the usual system. Five entries and three starters are required, and the right to declare off the event in case of rain is reserved, in which instance all money paid in will be refunded. The full program of events will be announced by Mr. Morris at an early date.

SADDLE HORSE GROWS IN FAVOR.

One of the most pleasing signs of the times for the lover of the horse to contemplate is the renewed interest in equestrianism that is being evidenced so strikingly in many widely separated sections of the United States at the present. The stables of the riding academies in the great cities of the east are entering upon a new wave of prosperity, and are busier than they have been in many a long-gone year, while the demand for high class saddlers fit for use on the park bridle path is increasing very rapidly. In New York city the wane of dancing and the rush for the outdoors that has followed the dancing craze have aided materially in re-establishing the horse in favor, and a number of orders for high priced animals for the exclusive use of certain members of the wealthy set have been filled in the central western states where the gaited saddler is produced in the greatest numbers and highest pattern of perfection. In Washington, the old riding clubs have come to life with a rush and new ones are springing up, while in many smaller cities the conditions existing are duplications of those found in the metropolis and the capital. Not to the eastern seaboard is the movement back to the saddle confined but it stretches clear across the country to the cities of the mountain section and those of the Pacific coast.

Here in San Francisco, the saddle horse has never wanted for a wide circle of friends and admirers who made daily use of his good qualities in the search for health, exercise and pleasure on long rides on the park equestrian course and up and down the beach, and this band of steadfast devotees has been receiving numerous additions for some weeks past, the exposition horse show having been the means of awakening a good deal of latent interest in the horse, and of showing to the folks with good red blood in their veins just what they were missing by staying indoors or in the tonneau of a touring car or in the sheltered recesses of a limousine. Automobiling has a certain savor given by no other means of locomotion, but it does not give exercise, nor does the "personal equation" enter into it to as great an extent as in either riding or driving. Gasoline speed merchants are now turned out to order in unlimited quantities and a gasoline motor is a gasoline motor and nothing more, while the art of equestrianism is not acquired in a day or week, and every horse is an individualist, with some traits different from every other one of his kind. What the motor lacks and that which the horse supplies is "life"—the one attribute that assures him a permanent place in the daily life of the human race.

"FIRST LESSONS IN GRAZING."

There is nothing more interesting in the world to the breeder of horses than the mares and colts in the paddocks along in the late spring and early summer. Young animals of all descriptions are always fascinating to the lover of livestock, and in the foal of the favorite "ol' mare" to the cover of some especially well regarded sire are centered not only the owner's affections, but his hopes of future fame and fortune on the race courses of many states.

California farms are the birthplaces of many youngsters of aristocratic lineage every season, but of all those foaled within her confines during 1915 the lassie appearing on our cover, with her dam, is without doubt the queen, being none other than the daughter of Peter the Great 2:07¼, the reigning king of speed sires, and Carrietta 2:18, who, as the dam of four yearling trotters with standard records, occupies a place absolutely unique in trotting annals. The young lady was bred by John W. Considine and foaled at Woodland Stock Farm, and though her dam has gone to New York state, to Stony Ford, she herself remains in California and will be developed by Millard Sanders, who, so long ago as 1891, drove a California bred yearling filly to a world's record. Certainly this one has every right to make the fifth to be credited to her dam, and perhaps be the fastest of the line. Her career will be watched with much interest not only here but throughout the country.

A Small Story of a Very Small Horse

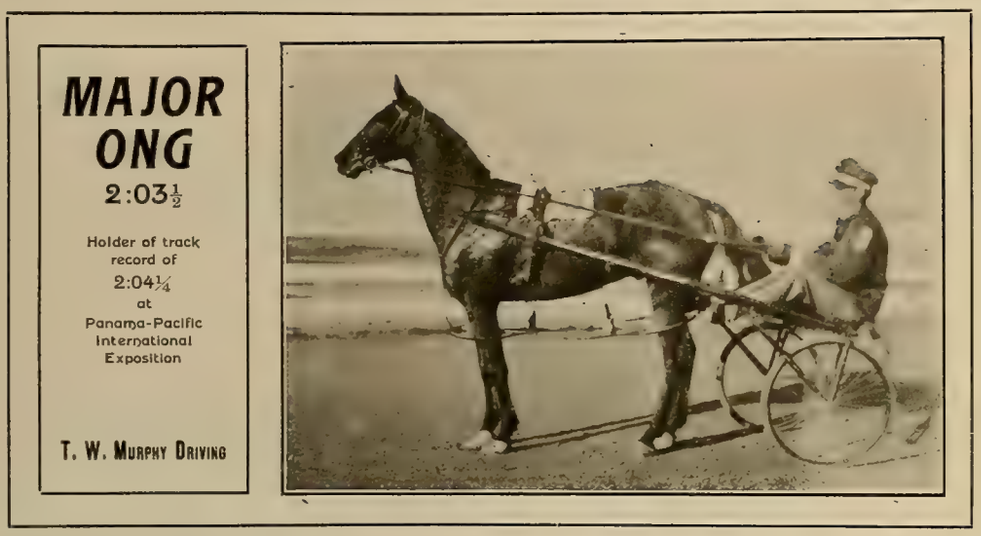
THE HORSE BEING MUCH BETTER THEN THE STORY

Major Ong, the diminutive military genius who had command of the pacing division of the invading forces of that immortal turf general, Thomas W. Murphy, upon the occasion of the latter's first, last and only visit to our glorious clime, is a product of the grand old corn producing state of Iowa, where hogs and steers get fat as they do nowhere else in the world, and where horses should grow to enormous size. Maybe the drafters do get to be whoppers, but the growing process got headed off somewhere along the line in the Major's case, and it took him a long time to get to a point where he could make the scales balance at all. If he had been a calf instead of a colt the knowing observer would merely have remarked that he had been hit in the head with a churn dash, and let it go at that, while any cowboy would unhesitatingly have pronounced him a dogie and nothing else. However, it is a well known fact that the best goods do not always come in the largest packages, and when the Major once got away from home he proceeded to add fresh proof to this theory—or maxim, or axiom, or whatever the proper word is. No one can be found who is so foolish as to contend that the Major is the horse that put the s in size, but there are not lacking those who will support the theory that he is the identical little gentleman who put the siz in sizzle.

The Major comes of a strictly military family, and one that has made history in his native Iowa for generations before him. We use the word family rather than the plural for the good and sufficient reason that both his sire and dam are members of the same house, that of the speed sire Iowa Sentinel 2:29¼, sire among others of that quartet of good pacers Dick Sentinel 2:06¾, Wapello Girl 2:07½, Major Gantz 2:08½ and Prince Edgar 2:09¼. Iowa Sentinel was most distinctly an Iowan, as he was bred by the Valley Junction horseman A. A. Kitzmiller, and was a son of Ellerslie Wilkes 2:22½ and that grand old matron Sorrento by Grand Sentinel 2:27¼, sire of the dams of Peter the Great, J. Malcolm Forbes and many other famous performers and producers. It is with Major Gantz that we are most interested at the present moment, as it was he who sired the equine monster whose picture, with that of his trainer and driver, appears herewith. Major Gantz, if appellations other than those bestowed by the Year Book are in order, is the most promising candidate for the title of the "Iron Horse of Iowa," as he went to the races regularly for a decade, making campaigns of from five to fifteen starts, and paying a profit about every time he left home. In all he took part in a hundred races or more, in over half of which he was either a winner or a heat winner, a truly remarkable record for a horse these days. He did not make his appearance on the track until his sixth year, which may have something to do with the way in which he lasted, his first appearance having been in the summer of 1906, the spring during which he was mated with Bessie J., the resultant foal being the second member of the line to attain recognition for gallantry on the field of action and be breveted a major, Major Ong, to be exact.

Bessie J., at the time of her mating with Major Gantz, was owned by C. P. Johnson of Wapello, and some six years later the Johnson family went to the front with the foal, then five years old and about large enough to pass for a yearling in any ordinary company. What the Major and the Johnson family lacked in size they made up in quality, however, and when they came home that fall, 1912, they had six firsts and two seconds to their credit out of eight starts, and the Major broke into the books with a record of 2:18¼. In 1913 the same combination went out for another whirl with the world and out of six races let only one heat get away from them, and as they were not racing on the every heat a race system the slight faux pas (with our customary apology to the Horse Review for the use of their copyrighted turf terms) cost them nothing more than an extra mile and a few moments longer cooling out, mere nothings hardly worth the mentioning. They didn't have to go so very much faster that year than they did during the previous season, winter catching them before they had to get out of the sixteen class.

Now certain folks are always on the prowl for good racing material, and before another season had rolled around the Major had taken up a residence in the neighborhood of Poughkeepsie, getting his meals in the hostelry conducted at that point by one Thomas W. Murphy, whom we mentioned above, and taking all his exercise over the Murphy track. This was getting a long ways from his native Iowa, and just to keep the little cuss from becoming too thoroughly a professional New Yorker Murphy took him back west a ways when the time came for the bell to ring down on the big line. At North Randall, his first start in select company, he was unplaced, but won a six-heater at Detroit, being second the first three and taking the next three as they came, the fastest heat won by him being in 2:09¼. At Grand Rapids he was third, and at Kalamazoo he was second to Napoleon Direct and a somewhat silent elderly gentleman from Tennessee whom everybody seemed to know by the name of Ed. Back at Detroit in September he was third, and went from the jitney metropolis to Columbus for three starts, every one of them against bear cats and every one of them a split heat affair. In the first one he was third to Napoleon Direct and Camelia, winning the third heat in 2:07, the race going five rounds to a decision. In the second he tangled up with R. H. Brett and Baron A. for six trips around the big oval, stepping the third one in 2:09¼ to come down in front. In the third and final start for the meeting, and his last for the season, he matched himself against Beth Clark, Alcy E., Frank Patch and a couple of other rather shifty sidewheelers, and when the smoke of the battle had rolled away and the judges had figured up the winnings of the contenders it was found that the diminutive Major had annexed second money and a non-winning performance record of 2:03½, making him the fastest pacer recruited from his native Iowa in some time, in fact, very nearly in all time, Don Densmore 2:02¼ being the only Iowa-bred horse of either gait or sex to have a faster record, Alix 2:03¾, "sweet little Alix," being the third in lnie.



For the season of 1915 he was again figured by Mr. Murphy as being a good horse in his class and formed a member of the band of fast birds entered by the Poughkeepsie wizard from Hartford to San Francisco. At North Randall he won the 2:09 pace, stepping the fastest heat in 2:04¾, and at Detroit was second to the poison horse, Aconite, in the Hotel Griswold stake. At Kalamazoo he went to the mat with the Indiana bear cat, Single G., in the Park American Hotel event and drew down second money, winning the third and fourth heats. At Grand Rapids he headed the summary in the 2:09 pace, and at Empire City was fourth in the Broadway, a race which all the critics claim to be the one event of the season which he should have won with ease, as all he had to beat was Russell Boy, Hal Boy and Single G.—some field! At Hartford he was fourth in the 2:06 class, at Syracuse was third in the Onondaga, and at Columbus in his first start was unplaced in the King stake, the slowest heat of which was paced in 2:03. Later in the same meeting he was fourth in the Board of Trade classic, and at Lexington was fourth in the Blue Grass and unplaced in the Cumberland.

Then came the long trek to the Pacific coast, and as soon as he landed he began picking up, getting as right as could be in the course of a few days and upholstering his little bones with some thirty pounds of welcome meat. On the opening day of the exposition meeting he won the 2:09 pace, stepping t fastest heat in 2:06½, and on the following Saturd upset all the local dope by trimming White Sox 2:07¼, 2:04¼ and 2:05½, the second mile being record performance for the exposition track, as w as the fastest mile raced on the coast this season a competitive event. After this performance he w well regarded for the 2:06 stake on closing day, t the rain in the intervening days did away with t very hard smooth footing that just exactly suit him, and third position in the summary was the b that came his way, though he was second in the fa est heat of the event in 2:06. In point of money w during the exposition meeting he stood third to E Boy and White Sox with over five thousand thr hundred dollars to his credit, so that Mr. Murp was well repaid for bringing him along on the tr

Major Ong is a little fellow, weighing at the ti of his departure from California about seven hundr and thirty pounds, which is more than he usua tips the beam at when in racing trim. He is not exceptionally "good doer," but he is a hard little n to crack when at himself, and he is always a perfe little gentleman in company. The accompanying p ture of him and Tommy Murphy was taken at t exposition course on the closing day of the seas just prior to the start of the second heat of the t stake.

RAYO DE ORO, CALIFORNIA'S NEWE CHAMPION.

Ever since the September day in 1873 when t brown gelding Occident trotted to a world's reco of 2:16¾ for George Tennant over the track at S ramento, California has been a pretty consiste contributor of champion trotters and pacers of ages and sexes. A glance through the table world's records which appears elsewhere in t issue will prove sufficient attest to the correctne of this statement, and this present tabulation c tains only the champions of today. There are a number who have gone before, so that a Native S need take no shame in any company when the matt of champion harness horse comes up.

During the season of 1915 our horses fared ve well, thank you, in the line of record setting, spe ing a number of both world and seasonal sco the newest comer to the roll of honor being the che nut pacer whose likeness appears on the opposi page, Rayo de Oro (3) 2:07¼, whose record w made on November 27 at the "mid-winter fair" Phoenix. The ancestry of this lad was made t subject of a thorough review in these columns at date so recent that it seems futile at this mome to do other than present a mere "reminder" of h breeding—by Copa de Oro 2:01, dam Easter D. 2:13½ by Diablo 2:09¼, grandam Donnagene Athadon (1) 2:27, great grandam Trenna by Jun 2:22, etc. It is a genuine California pedigree a way you take it, so far as the horse line is concern and the folks of the human family who appear in c nection with the new champ are also of the re California brand. The honor of appearing in t records as his breeder falls to that somewhat elo gated Los Angeles horseman, James Stewart, w still owns his dam and a full brother to him; J. Nickerson of the same cafeteria center has been h owner for some months past, and it hardly see necessary to state that the gentleman who appea with him in the picture as rig-rustler and chief pil is one William G. Durfee, also an Angeleno, and al known to fame as about the handiest and most su cessful of the younger generation of western traine

So long ago as the time of Napoleon the theo was advanced that the Lord is on the side that h the heaviest artillery, but from the experience Willyum Gee in the record hunting business at Phc nix that gentleman is inclined to think that victo is not always with you even when you have t artillery. Whether or not the Lord's influence e tends to such purely mundane affairs as horse raci is doubtful, but it required three trips to Phoen with the Copa de Oro family before Will got world's record with them, and on each and eve occasion he had the heavy artillery present and action. With the founder of the tribe he travel a wonderful mile in 1:59 at the Phoenix course son seasons ago, only to be "technicalitied" out of t record; last season with the three-year-old geldi Contention B. he started for the world's record f the age and gait, and the judges or clerk of t course started the little fellow officially "to be 2:08¼," so his mile that tied the record constitute merely a losing performance and he got no credit f it at all. True, even had he been given the reco his glory would have been of the short-lived variet as Marse Ed Geers and Bud Elliott clipped the fra tion from the mark only four days later, but the every little bit helps (unless a certain widely quote elderly lady lied on a certain historic occasion) an a champion, even if only a four-day champion, wou have looked very nice for the first crop of the Co de Oros. This year, however, William had the art lery and the Lord's favor as well (or at least h evidently did not have to buck his disfavor) and Ra de Oro left no room for doubt as to the ability of t family to spear world's records over the Phoen track.

All indications point to a great family of pacers t be founded by Copa de Oro, the best bred of all t extremely fast racing pacers in the eyes of his man admirers, as they seem to be full of pace, are goo headed and go without any underwear.

CHICAGO HORSE SALE.

While the official report of the Chicago Horse Sale ompany as sent out direct from the office of that ganization to the turf journals bears the cheering ews that "it was the consensus of opinion that the cent sale was the most encouraging auction that as been held in Chicago for the past two years," e sale sheets which accompany the report do not ow that any records were broken in the way of gh prices. Of the numerous horses cataloged, of hich a very small percentage failed to go through e sale, less than one hundred brought prices in cess of two hundred dollars, while only three, two them members of the California delegation, ought over one thousand dollars. The reports of e sale sent from the company's office do not in- ude animals selling for less than two hundred dol- rs, so it is impossible for us to furnish complete turns of the prices realized on the consignments our local patrons of the auction, nor do the reports rry and returns from the Woodland horses. The top rice of the sale, $1,350, was paid by the Youngstown, hio, horseman, David Tod, for the yearling filly Tru- lla by Binjolla 2:17¾, dam Trussora by Moko, the cond best price being paid for San Jacinto and the ird for Raisin Girl. Taken straight through, the alifornia horses sold as well or better than those om any other section, but in view of the general nge of prices paid it is not likely that our breeders ill again soon make consignments of any moment this particular market.

Horses from this section on which a report was ade to us by the sale company brought the follow- g prices:

n Jacinto 2:05¼, b g (7), George W. McKinney 2:14½—Dot by Del Norte 2:08; D. D. Worman, Providence, R. I. $1150

iss Quealey 2:26¾, b m (7), Moko—Silurian 2:25½ by Wilton 2:19¼; J. R. Magowan, Mt. Sterling, Ky. 435

rgo 2:07½, b g (9), Keeler 2:13¼; F. L. Stiles, North Haven, Conn. 950

d Folks 2:11¾, b g (5), Del Coronado 2:09½—Iran Belle by Iran Alto 2:12¼; R. W. Wright, Indian- apolis, Ind. 625

arlschen 2:23, br g (3), Carlokin 2:07½—Bonnie Ailse 2:08½ by Faustino 2:12¼; Thomas McQuaig, Tulsa, Okla. 310

rleta 2:20¾, b f (2), Carlokin 2:07½—Alexandria 2:22¼ by Bon Voyage 2:08; R. W. Gier, St. Joseph, Missouri. 375

yllis Barnette 2:20, b m (4), The Director Gen- eral—Silurian 2:25½ by Wilton 2:19¼; George Mc- Crea, Columbus, O. 325

pe, b g (3), Copa de Oro 2:01—Leonora McKinney by McKinney 2:11¼; H. Vickery, Chicago, Ill. 230

octor Hagan, b h (5), Del Coronado 2:09½—Roberta Madison by James Madison 2:17¾; Hubbard & Lawler, Green Bay, Wis. 325

isin Girl, br m (6), Tom Smith 2:13¼—Lady Owy- hee by Owyhee 2:11; R. W. Wright, Indianapolis 1000

idie G., b h (9), Tom Smith 2:13¼—Kate Lumry 2:20½ by Shadeland Onward 2:18½; E. L. Pericol, Durand, Wis. 360

Bell, b m (5), Tom Smith 2:13¼—Kate Lumry 2:20½ by Shadeland Onward 2:18½; Edward Mar- ineau, Marinette, Wis. 510

obage, b h (8), Bon Voyage 2:08—Loma B. by Stam B. 2:11¼; Henry Kelly, Dubuque, Ia. 250

ay May 2:29, br f (2), Athasham 2:09¼—Guideali- tice by California Guide; Henry Eldridge, Wau- kon, Iowa 310

dy M., b m (4), Tom Smith 2:13¼—Lady Marvin by Don Marvin 2:22½; George Koul, Thinesville, Wis. 250

zales, br m (5), Best Policy—Lady Stoneway by Stoneway 2:23¾; William Henderson, Aurora, Ill. 275

ymettus 2:07¼, b g (11), Zombro 2:11—The Silver Belle by Silver Bow 2:16; F. C. Podesta, Mem- phis, Tenn. 220

uacho, bl g (5), Nobage—Big Zomelle by Zombro 2:11; Midway Stock Farm, Kearney, Neb. 200

C. F. Silva Buys Woodland Stock Farm

PROBABLY WILL BE MADE INTO PERMANENT FAIR GROUND

For some time there has been a certain measure of apprehension in trotting horse circles concerning the future of the property which for the past several years has been known as the Woodland Stock Farm, as it was realized that Mr. John W. Considine was laying his plans to retire, at least for the present, from active participation in the breeding and racing of the light harness horse. Some weeks ago a great many of the mares and young things at the farm were sold to Mr. Louis Titus of the Stony Ford Farm, New York, and still others were sent to the Chicago sale, which was held last week. One or two parties inspected the farm proper with the view to buying, though nothing came of their visits, and it was then hoped that the supervisors of Yolo county would take it over and make it into a fair ground, for which purpose it offers very advantageous opportunities. Then came a rumor that the supervisors had passed up the proposition, and no further light was forthcoming until Tuesday of this week, when Mr. Clinton A. Harrison of Seattle forwarded the following communication to this office:

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 20, 1915

Breeder and Sportsman,
San Francisco, Calif.

Dear Sirs:

On last Tuesday I was requested by the head of the Woodland Stock Farm, Incorporated, to close out the farm, its horses and equipment. After I was given proper authority I arrived at Woodland on Wednesday and proceeded to immediately check up all accounts and pay all bills due to every employee and merchant in Woodland and elsewhere. This has been done and everybody has been paid to the last penny. I also disposed of the horses that were left at the farm and sold the equipment except the equipment necessary for the care of the track. After I had paid all the bills and shipped the last horse away, the trial balances had been taken off, I stood and looked at the Woodland Stock Farm and it reminded me very much of Goldsmith's Deserted Village. A feeling of misery came over me and I made myself a promise that I would find a purchaser for the Woodland Stock Farm who would maintain it as a race track and stock farm.

This was on Friday evening, and after closing up all the business affairs of the farm I packed my grip and started to find a buyer. One of the men I had in mind is one of California's most successful business men and a man who has the interest of the State of California very much at heart. I placed the matter squarely before him and it took me just one hour to convince him that the Woodland Stock Farm was a good investment. I sold him the farm, and in selling it to him I was very much pleased because I knew the farm would be maintained as a race track and a harness horse stock farm, and I wish the new owner of the Woodland Stock Farm the highest kind of success, and I congratulate the horsemen of California on the fact that the Woodland Stock Farm has become the property of this enterprising citizen. This man in due time will publicly announce himself as the owner of the farm, and as he desires to tell the public in his own way I therefore will not at this time make his name public.

On behalf of John W. Considine, the man who did so much for the Woodland Stock Farm and the horse interests not only of California but of the whole United States, I want to say that in retiring from the ownership of this farm Mr. Considine has paid every debt and has done a great deal for the harness horse interests. And I want to say that from my personal association with him that I recognize him as one of the most honest and biggest hearted men that I have ever met, and I regret exceedingly that he has decided, for the present, to retire from the harness horse interests. But from what I know I am quite sure that he will in a very short time be in shape to again take his place amongst the foremost breeders in the United States.

Some person or persons during the fall meeting of the Panama-Pacific Exposition made public statements through the press that I had taken over the affairs of the Woodland Stock Farm and its horses. These reports were entirely false and without justification, as I never took over the affairs of the Woodland Stock Farm nor had anything to do with it since January, 1912, up until last Wednesday, nor did I ever say anything to cause such reports to be circulated. I did sell some mares that were my personal property under a private agreement which was naturally my own business. I also sold some other horses for the corporation.

Now that the Woodland Stock Farm has passed into other hands, while I am sorry to see my friend Considine step out, and hope that his absence from the game will be of short duration, yet I am sure that the horsemen of California will be pleased with the new owner.

As for myself, I wish every horseman in California and elsewhere, a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Yours very truly,

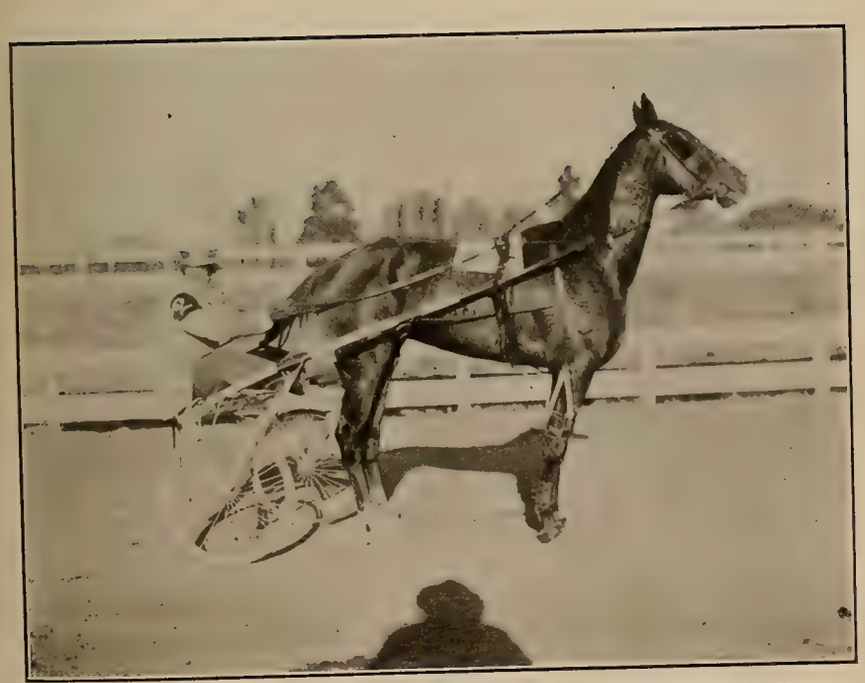
C. A. HARRISON.

On Tuesday morning, the Chronicle of this city carried a story to the effect that the new owner of the Woodland plant was the well known Sacramento horseman, Mr. Charles Silva, who for the last several years has been one of the most extensive patrons of the trotter in California, campaigning a stable of excellent horses throughout the Pacific coast circuits and doing a great deal of matinee driving in person. During the season just passed Mr. Silva raced a good sized stable with most gratifying results, racing from the June meeting at the exposition clear through the year, taking in a number of meetings on the North Pacific Fair Circuit, the Arizona State Fair, and the futurity meeting at Pleasanton, the winnings of the various members of the string in the hands of Mr. Silva or his trainer, Loren B. Daniels, offsetting the expense of the campaign by a matter of nearly fifteen thousand dollars. For some time the "standby" of the Silva operations has been the good pacer Teddy Bear 2:05, and in the great three-year-old pacer Bondalean (3) 2:06¼, Mr. Silva has a campaigner who will undoubtedly achieve an even greater renown, as the colt numbers among his friends a circle of very warm admirers who consider him of genuine championship caliber.

The news that the future operations of Mr. Silva will be linked with the Woodland plant was heralded with a great deal of pleasure and satisfaction, and from a short conversation with him over the phone, we are in position to state that most interesting announcements from Woodland will be forthcoming in a very short time, as Mr. Silva and the Yolo county supervisors are in very close touch with each other, and are working in unison for the permanent establishment of a district or county fair. It is not improbable that the latter may take over the property in its entirety, or at least effect an arrangement with Mr. Silva that will permit of the doing of all work necessary to equip the plant as a fair ground and operate it as such. In any event, the deal is one that will meet with a hearty welcome from horsemen throughout the west, as it means the perpetuation of one of the best tracks in California, and the permanent establishment of what should prove one of the very best fairs in California.

It is a matter of regret throughout the west that Mr. Considine has judged it to be his best interests to retire for the time, as he has put a good deal of money in circulation, is a welcome figure at all gatherings where horses are the topic of conversation or are engaged in racing for the money, and has made himself well liked among the fraternity in general. Financial returns have not come his way in any large measure, but he has had the pleasure and satisfaction of having bred, in the short time in which he was actively identified with Woodland Stock Farm, the greatest trio of yearling trotters that ever went forth from any one establishment in one season, or any number of seasons, as three world's records have fallen to their lot. To him and to his "next friend," Mr. Harrison, the trotting world owes a debt whose true proportions will become more and more apparent as the years speed by.

To the retiring owner of the famous establishment countless friends will join us in hearty "hail and farewell" (though not a final farewell by any means), and to the new owner will extend the warmest of welcomes. Good luck and more of it to the whole of them!



RAYO DE ORO (3) 2:07¼, CHAMPION THREE-YEAR-OLD PACING GELDING

Futurities Close Soon for Foals of 1916

STATE FAIR AND BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCE FIXTURES

Among the most important events that have been fixtures of the harness racing season here in California for many years past are the various colt stakes promoted by the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders' Association and the California State Agricultural Society, supplemented in certain years by the events sponsored by Messrs. Clark and Canfield of Los Angeles and MacKenzie of Pleasanton. The latter stakes are no longer being renewed, leaving the older classics in undisputed possession of the field, their importance being increased just so much by the passing of the younger stakes. It is greatly to be regretted that the breeding industry fell away to a point at which sufficient patronage could not be secured to make all these various events permanent, and it behooves every horseman who has bred a trotting mare during the season of 1915 to rally to the support of the stakes yet operative and make nominations in the same to the limit of his holdings.

There was a time some years ago when most of the stakes paid out more than the sums guaranteed by their sponsors, the generous support accorded them permitting of this most pleasing action, but of late years patronage has fallen away to a point that necessitated the making up of a deficit from gate receipts or private subscription, followed of course by the very natural result that the size of the stakes has been reduced to a figure in keeping with the scope of the breeding industry at this moment. Conditions have been made modern and most generous, and the various events are made just as attractive to breeders as is possible under existing conditions.

Both the Breeders' Association and the State Fair people have made announcement of their new stakes for the foals of mares bred in 1915, and we respectfully suggest that you turn to page seventeen of this issue of the Breeder and Sportsman and investigate thoroughly the conditions of each event, as they will be found there set forth in full.

Among the new departures adopted by the promoters of both events is the date of closing, which has in each instance been made some weeks later in the year than has usually been the custom before, giving breeders every opportunity of determining whether or not their mares are safe with foal, the State Fair event closing on January first and the Breeders' classic on February first, at which dates the risk of nominating mares that might prove not with foal is reduced to the minimum. The State Fair being the first to close, it is to its general conditions that we first direct your attention.

Originally the stake carried both two- and three-year-old divisions, but a year or so ago the two-year-old money was discontinued and the entire stake made for three-year-olds, the plan meeting with approbation to an extent that led Secretary Paine to draw the conditions for the current number along similar lines. The amount of the stake has been reduced, with reluctant regret, from five to four thousand dollars, divided $2,200 for three-year-old trotters and $1,800 for pacers of a like age. The contests will be on the three heat plan, with a portion of the purse paid to each heat and the balance to the winner of the race, a fourth heat being raced only in the event that three heat winners develop, they only to contest it. In the trotting division $75 will be paid to the nominator of the winner of the race, while $650 will be hung up for each heat, divided into the customary four moneys, the remaining $175 going to the winner according to the standing in the final summary. In the pace the nominator of the winner will receive $75, each heat will have a purse of $550, and the winner of two heats will be awarded the $75 additional. Distanced horses will be entitled to money previously won, and the distance will be well back, one hundred yards. The nomination fee and the early payments are very moderate indeed, the starting payments are not due until ten days before the races are announced to take place, and the conditions throughout have been drawn with the paramount idea of pleasing horsemen and providing an interesting race for the visitors to the State Fair of 1919.

We recommend the State Fair Futurity Stake Number 8 to your consideration without reserve and urge that you go your limit in extending it your patronage. Blanks have been mailed to breeders throughout the west, but if you have been overlooked by any chance, make immediate application to Charles W. Paine, Secretary, Sacramento, and send in your nominations as soon as you receive the blank. Please note that as the entries close on January fist, which is next Saturday, all nominations whose envelopes bear post mark prior to noon on the following Monday, January third, are legal under the rulings of the parent trotting association. We advise, however, that you take no chances with the holiday mails, and that you get your communications in your post office well in advance of the hour of legal closing.

Like the State Fair Futurity, the new number of the series which has so long and so faithfully been fathered by the Breeders' Association, carries a much smaller monetary value than in previous years, the smallest, in fact, in the history of the stake. When the first of the line was inaugurated with a guaranteed value of six thousand dollars it was no uncommon thing for the treasurer to pay out as high as eight thousand dollars to the winners of the various divisions, but the stakes of late years have fallen behind their guaranteed value rather than running over it, and a reduction became a mere matter of necessity, made with regret and heartfelt misgivings. Last year the stake was framed for a total of $5,150, and with the patronage accorded it is facing almost certain and considerable deficit, unless a greater percentage of entries are kept good than is usually the case. This season the directors of the association made careful estimates of what they might reasonably expect in the way of entries, and made the sum offered just as liberal as possible in the face of the many adverse circumstances they are facing. Three thousand dollars is the amount hung up for Futurity Number 16 for foals of mares bred in 1915, and the money is allotted according to their usual custom.

Moderate sums are set aside for the benefit of the owners of the sires of the winners at the time the mares were bred, and also for the nominators of the dams on whose original nominations are named the winners of the various divisions of the stake, the remaining sum being apportioned as follows: $1,000 to be raced for by three-year-old trotters, $600 for two-year-old trotters, $700 for three-year-old pacers, and $400 for the baby sidewheelers. The three-year-old events will be on the three heat, every heat a race plan, while the younger fry will race two in three on the old system, limited to three heats. Entries close on the first day of February, and blanks will be sent out in a few days or may be obtained upon application to Secretary F. W. Kelley, Drawer 447, San Francisco. Both stakes include a pleasing substitution clause in their conditions, and minor details omitted here will be found in full in the advertisements on page seventeen.

The value of the futurities to California horsemen is not to be estimated even approximately in dollars and cents, and every breeder who has the interests of his business at heart will be prompt in responding to the call for entries to the two stakes described herein. We all regret that the sums involved are not larger, but we all know that the Breeders' Association and the State Fair have been largely responsible for the fact that the industry of racing and breeding harness horses has been kept alive during the last several seasons, and realize that they will be the first to hang up more money in both stakes and purses whenever the business improves to a point that will justify them in so doing. Nothing will give them the assurance to go ahead with their plans like the generous patronage of the stakes which they are giving at present. You owe it not merely to them but to yourself to see that these events fill and fill well.

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Someone with a surplus of good mares, either draft, standard or thoroughbred, and who could use in their stead an excellent draft stallion, imported, registered, and weighing well toward the ton mark, might stir up a most advantageous trade by addressing D. A. Baker, Hill P. O., San Diego County.

VERNA McKINNEY (2) 2:13.

While the folks in the vicinity of the valley to of Dixon pay the greater portion of their attenti nowadays to the production of those very importa and highly profitable B's, Barley and Butterfat, se eral of their number still have the time and inclir tion to breed a few trotters and pacers, and every often these birds go out and bring home a little mo renown for the neighborhood. The most persiste offender against the peace and dignity of the co munity in this respect is one James W. Marsha who has managed to squeeze his name into the re ords as the breeder of quite a number of most exc lent horses, several of them with records conside ably under 2:10. For more years than we can sta offhand, Jim has been dragging down his share fro the secretaries of the local race meetings, and son of his horses have gone east and "gotten theirs" the most select kind of company on the Grand C cuit. His latest comer to fame is the two-year-o pacing filly Verna McKinney (2) 2:13, whose phot graphic likeness appears on this page, the pictu having been taken in midsummer at Pleasanton.

This little lady is a mighty likely pacer, and addition to being a nicely bred lassie and a futuri winner here in California, enjoys the distinction being the season's fastest two-year-old pacing fill her record having been taken in the second heat that hot little horse race at Pleasanton on the fin day of the season, a race that occupies a uniq position in the summaries of the year's best pe formances. In the first heat, Rico set the seas record for two-year-old pacing colts; in the secon Verna McKinney performed a similar feat for h age and sex, and if there were any two-year-old pa ing fillies (or colts or geldings either, for th matter) who paced a third heat faster than that o won by Julia M. in 2:13¾, the same have not be called to our attention.

Verna McKinney is the first standard perform to be credited to the great race horse and risir speed sire, Vernon McKinney 2:01½, owned by Ro ney McKenzie and maintained permanently in ser ice at that gentleman's famous establishment Pleasanton, while she is the second good one to raised by Mr. Marshall from her dam, Ramona Demonio 2:11¼, the other one being the fast pac Del Rey 2:03¾, who made good on the Grand Circu for Walter Cox after one of that gentleman's patro had paid a round ten thousand dollars for him. T productive maternal line does not stop with Ramon either, as her dam, Carrolla by Steinway (3) 2:25 gave birth to the sterling pacer Ben F. 2:07¾.

Verna was developed and given all of her educatic by Messrs. Sutherland & Chadbourne at Pleasant and was driven to her record by the junior member that firm, the only occasion upon which she h been out of that stable being here during the expo tion race meeting, when she was driven by Loren Daniels, winning the Breeders' Futurity and pacir two heats over the slow exposition track in 2:13 2:13¼, Mr. Chadbourne's services being require elsewhere for the moment.

Given fair luck in the meantime for the variou youngsters that are at present eligible to them, wha great contests the three-year-old pacing events he in California should be this coming season!



VERNA McKINNEY (2) 2:13, BEST TWO-YEAR-OLD PACING FILLY, 1915

NOTES and NEWS

Merry Christmas!
And also a Happy New Year!
Cherish all your friends.
Forgive all your enemies.
And start all over again for 1916.

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Allow us to suggest moderation in all things, however, even in swearing off.

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One of the greatest safeguards against violating all of those New Year's resolutions is:

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Just naturally don't make 'em too darned numerous! a few moderate ones are all right in their place, but——

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It was the last heat that the colt got beat in, so don't go too many. There will be other New Year's Days, or——

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If it should happen that there are no more, we will all be where it will make no difference with us, so there you are!

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And just because you yourself happen to be having a mighty good time today, or this time next week, don't think the colt will not appreciate the customary feed and water.

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Dr. I. L. Tucker of Oroville is offering two well bred young horses for sale, both with their speed well developed and fit to prepare for the races of the coming season. They are priced to sell and full particulars as to breeding, etc., will be forthcoming to all parties inquiring for same by letter or a personal call on the Doctor.

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The inaugural meeting of the Lower California Jockey Club begins next Saturday, New Year's Day, at the new race track at Tia Juana, and a large delegation of San Francisco race goers and sporting men are laying plans to be in attendance when the bugle blows for the first time. The plant is in readiness for the event and recent visitors to southern California report that it is a very well fitted up and commodious one, with very good transportation facilities from San Diego and Los Angeles. The last of the horses trained in this vicinity will leave early this coming week and the promoters are assured of plenty of entrants for their events.

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Charley Silva recently had the great misfortune to lose his packing plant through fire, the flames making a complete sweep of the ultra-modern establishment where the butchering for his numerous markets was conducted. Immediate steps were taken for the construction of a temporary plant for taking care of the business, and early in the year work will be begun on a new and permanent affair to cost in the neighborhood of $60,000. From a very modest start some years ago, Mr. Silva has built up the largest butchering and packing business in the Sacramento valley, and it will not take him forever to make back what the fire has cost him.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dowling, who for the past three years have made their home at Woodland, where Mr. Dowling was superintendent of Woodland Stock Farm from the time of its purchase by Mr. Considine until its sale a few days ago, left early in the week for their old home in Canton, Illinois, where they will spend some time with friends and relatives and enjoy a well earned little rest. Both are hard workers and devoted every energy to the furthering of the Considine interests while at Woodland, and take back east with them the best wishes of many newly made friends. Mr. Dowling's plans for the future have not been made public, but he will not long be idle.

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Mr. and Mrs. William G. Durfee, who have been making their home, temporarily, at the Matsonia Apartments in this city ever since along in October, departed for the sunny south this week, taking to the open road in William's gasoline space annihilator. They did not intend setting any new records for the San Francisco-Los Angeles run, as they have too many friends along the way, but expected to arrive home in time to get the house warmed up and put in shape to celebrate Christmas. San Francisco has seen a little more of the Durfees this season than usual, thanks to the exposition, and their circle of local friends has been materially increased during their visit. Their departure was postponed from time to time, as they were enjoying themselves thoroughly here and would have continued to do so indefinitely, but William plans an invasion of the Grand Circuit next season with a pretty strong stable of trotters and pacers and decided that January first was about the limit of time that his candidates could go without requiring his personal attention. From now until spring he will have his hands full, as in addition to the horses that will make the eastern trip he has a big draft of futurity candidates to go over, and will probably fit a second string to race over the tracks of the California fair circuit during his absence.

The Vernon McKinneys are "up and coming" and one of the nicest of the tribe is offered for sale by J. L. Chandler, Lincoln Hotel, San Francisco. The youngster was foaled in 1913, is sound and promising, and is out of Poinsetta 2:25 by Star Pointer 1:59¼, grandam the dam of Charley D. 2:06¼. He is right all round and priced to sell.

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E. Lovell, the wide-awake superintendent of Ansel M. Easton's Blackhawk Stock Ranch at Burlingame, has been covering a great deal of ground since the close of the exposition, selling or placing for service a number of the establishment's prize winning imported draft stallions. The Blackhawk horses were one of the prime attractions throughout the exposition, and made friends from many sections, so that Mr. Lovell has found little difficulty in consummating some exceptionally nice deals. One of the latest sales reported is that of the good sire Anwick Arthur 29025, who goes to a Salinas syndicate, and whose services should prove of inestimable value to the draft horse stock of that section.

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According to reports in the New Zealand turf papers, the California stallion Logan Pointer, taken to that country this summer by Mr. Freeman Holmes of Christchurch, has been accorded the best stud patronage that ever fell to the lot of an imported American stallion in his first season. There is a reason for this, of course, or several of them to be exact, as Logan Pointer is just the cut of a horse admired for harness racing purposes, and has the greatest speed inheritance of any horse ever exported from this state to the antipodes. American friends both of the horse and his new owner will watch his stud career with interest and confidently believe that he will prove one of the greatest progenitors of speed in Australasia.

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Last winter and spring Bert Webster handled among others for Mr. A. W. Longley the five-year-old pacing stallion Pedlar Direct, by Baron Direct and out of a Pedlar mare, the lad showing himself to be possessed of quite a bit of speed but hardly being considered up to taking in the trip down through the central west where Bert was headed. Consequently he was turned out for some months during the summer, being taken up late and brought along slowly by Mr. Longley and Henry Smith. They gave him brush work until a quarter around a two-minute gait was well within his capacity, and then began building him up for the longer routes. He has not yet been asked for very much, but is taking well to the system as a few days ago Henry worked him an easy mile in 2:30 with the last quarter in 30¾ seconds being by no means extended. All the Longley colts are doing very nicely and their owner is looking forward to the day when he can participate in the activities of the California circuit.

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Clinton A. Harrison, who came down from his haunts in the high hills and big timber of the Puget Sound country long enough to wind up the affairs of Woodland Stock Farm, was a fleeting visitor in San Francisco early in the week. The hard work of the last several days had put him a little to the bad again in a physical way, the old injury to his back taking advantage of this most inauspicious occasion to make itself manifest once more, but the effervescent Hibernian was in such high spirits, mentally, that friends began to suspect that he had inside information into the matter of the eventual freedom of the peoples inhabiting the Emerald Isle, a freedom which is, according to the book, "a consummation devoutly to be hoped for." Once started into the matter Mr. Harrison made short work of settling all the loose ends of the affairs of the Woodland corporation, disposing of the property to a good advantage and then making a bee line for Christmas dinner in Seattle.

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Information is gleaned from a recent number of the Butte Miner to the effect that "work will start tomorrow, and it is expected finished by February, on the first moving picture house ever established in the district formerly referred to as 'the flat,' on Harrison avenue close to the Bennett store. The building will be erected and owned by Kroffgranz & Frank and on its completion a lease of the building will be taken over by Charles F. Hayes. The theater, which will be known as the Englewood theater, will be managed by Mr. Hayes with the assistance of Mrs. Hayes, who has been actively connected with the management of the Lyric theater on East Park street and which theater will continue under their management." Save for the fact that very important private information is in the possession of the editor of this publication it would seem hard to trace the source of this item's interest for our readers, but the mystery is quickly cleared up when we impart to you the secret: "Charles F." is none other than the business alias of our old friend and former fellow citizen Ted Hayes, and we can go farther and tell you what the "F." stands for, the same being "Fonda," an appellation hugely redolent of the Iowa neighborhood in which, rumor hath it, he spent his green apple and swimmin' hole days. The Miner goes further into details, which establish the new theater as being in a class of its own among northwestern picture houses, and his legion of California friends will wish Ted the very best of success in the new venture, not forgetting to couple Mrs. Ted in the betting.

Arthur C. Thomas, sales manager of the Houghton Sulky Co., Marion, Ohio, offers some attractive bargains to persons wishing to enlarge their library of trotting horse works of reference. Partial sets of the register, year book and Wallace's Monthly are included in the list, as well as a large assortment of miscellaneous character, the prices being made very cheap for cash sales, or responsible parties may arrange to get the books desired on partial payments.

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Warren Dennis, the Idaho trainer who makes things hot for the boys in the north and central west every season, is wintering a dozen head at his regular quarters at Rexburg, and is confident that in some of them he has some coming great performers. Warren's principal patrons are Hamilton Brothers of Sugar City, Idaho, who owned the great pacing mare Ovieda 2:05 that died very suddenly last season while the stable was down in Nebraska. Ovieda was the best pacing mare that the northwest has produced in a long, long time and her death was a hard jolt for both owners and trainer, but they have a pair coming on that will help fill the vacancy, a full brother, Bob Fitzsimmons Junior, and a full sister, Bobonell, both being by Bob Fitzsimmons 2:07¾ and out of Miss Otta 2:11½ (dam of Ovieda, etc.) by Willowood 15751. Hamilton Brothers also have another real good pacing prospect in Mr. Dennis' hands in the person of the three-year-old Oregon Hal (3) 2:21 by Hal B. 2:04½, dam Brownlace by Lovelace, the youngster being about the fastest of all the Hal B. tribe for one of his years. At Davenport he was separately timed in a race in 2:08¾, and Warren will get him ready for another try for the money in 1916.

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COUNTRY BELLE WINS NEW ZEALAND CUP.

On the same calendar day during which Major Ong was cutting the exposition track record to 2:04¼, the greatest stake of Australasia, the New Zealand Cup, was being contested at Addington, Christchurch, New Zealand, before a very much larger crowd than was on hand to see the Major's sizzling mile. Here it was nearly winter, there it was well along in the spring. Our meeting was a betless one, and on that day at Addington the "tote" turnover was £40,251, the amount wagered during the three days of the meeting aggregating nearly three quarters of a million dollars. Photographic evidence shows great crowds present in stands and clubhouses, as well as on the lawn and infield, eloquent testimony of the popularity of trotting in our neighboring commonwealth. The Referee describes the race for the Cup as follows:

The New Zealand Cup next claimed the attention of the public, and the fifteen horses for whom the final payment had been made all went to the post. Admiral Wood, who was coupled on the totalisator with his stable companion, Manderene, was made favorite, but Our Thorpe received almost as much support, while Adonis and Frandocia were also very solidly backed. Frandocia's track work had been done in most convincing style, while both he and Adonis have shown themselves useful performers in heavy going. There was no actual mishap at the start, but several of the competitors were quickly out of court. Manderene collided with Adonis before they had gone a chain; St. Ursula, Frandocia and Wallace Wood would not settle down to their work properly, and Our Thorpe lost a lot of ground by beginning slowly, leaving the mark after the scratch horses. Eccentric, always a good beginner, at once set out to make the pace, with Don Caesar next. Eccentric led for a little over a mile and a quarter, but then retired beaten, and Don Caesar was left in charge. Country Belle, who had begun in brilliant style, went in pursuit of the leader, and quickly had his measure. She was in front two furlongs from home, and though Our Thorpe and Jingle finished well, they had no chance with the scratch mare, who won very decisively. Our Thorpe stayed on very well , but he was beaten by a pacer of exceptionally good class, and Jingle, although finishing well could not reach with either of those in front of him. Don Caesar ran a very good race for a mile and three-quarters, but evidently found the distance just a little beyond him. Admiral Wood, who finished fifth, showed a lot of pace in patches, but he did not settle kindly to his work, and a race such as the New Zealand Cup is not one in which a horse can afford to make mistakes. Country Belle, who was bred by her owner, finished second in last year's New Zealand Cup, and her performance a month later in the New Brighton Cup, a free-for-all race, which she won in 4 min. 32 2-5 sec., stamped her as one of the best mares the Dominion has produced. She was driven a capital race by A. Hendricksen, who was behind Albert H., the winner of the race in 1912. Winners of the race are:—

Yr.	Winner and Driver	Hcp. Sec.	Time. m. s.
1904	Monte Carlo (B. Edwards)	7	4 44 3-5
1905	Birchmark (D. J. Price)	1	5 17 3-5
1906	Belmont M. (G. Milsom)	4	4 46
1907	Marian (J. Tasker)	9	5 16 2-5
1908	Durbar (A. Pringle)	scr	4 36
1909	Wildwood Jr. (W. Kerr)	5	4 39
1910	Wildwood Jr. (W. Kerr)	scr	4 33
1911	Lady Clare (J. Brankin)	4	4 38
1912	Albert H. (A. Hendricksen)	8	4 48 4-5
1913	Ravenschild (N. L. Price)	6	4 35 3-5
1914	Win Soon (A. Pringle)	6	4 31
1915	Country Belle (A. Hendricksen)	scr	4 35 3-5

World's Record to the Close of 1915

TROTTING

½ mile—Uhlan, bl g, 7, by Bingen (1911) (to wagon) :56¼
1 mile—Uhlan, bl g, 8, by Bingen (1912)..... 1.58
1¼ miles—Lily Young, ch m, 11, by Young Fullerton (1902)..... 2:44
1½ miles—Dr. Strong, gr g, 6, by Strong Boy (1903) 3:17½
2 miles—The Harvester, br h, 5, by Walnut Hall (1910)..... 4:15¼
3 miles—Nightingale, ch m, 8, by Mambrino King (1893)..... 6:55½
4 miles—Senator L., b h, 6, by Dexter Prince (1894) 10:12
5 miles—Zambra, b g, 5, by McKinney (1902)..... 12:24
Fastest gelding—Uhlan, bl, 8, by Bingen (1910)..... 1:58
Fastest mare—Lou Dillon, ch, 5, by Sidney Dillon (1903)..... 1:58½
Fastest stallion—The Harvester, br, 5, by Walnut Hall (1910)..... 2:01
Fastest yearling, colt—Airdale, b, by Tregantle (1912)..... 2:15¾
Fastest yearling, filly—Anselila, b, by Prince Ansel (1915)..... 2:17½
Fastest yearling, gelding—Anselot, b, by Prince Ansel (1915)..... 2:28½
Fastest 2-year-old colt—Peter Volo, br, by Peter the Great (1913)..... 2:04½
Fastest 2-year-old, filly—Native Belle, b, by Moko (1909); Volga, ch, by Peter the Great (1915).... 2:07¾
Fastest 2-year-old, gelding—Henry Todd, b, by Henry Setzer (1914)..... 2:11¼
Fastest 3-year-old, colt—Peter Volo, br, by Peter the Great (1914)..... 2:03½
Fastest 3-year-old, filly—Mary Putney, b, by San Francisco (1915)..... 2:05½
Fastest 3-year-old, gelding—Peter Thompson, b, by Peter the Great (1911)..... 2:07½
Fastest 4-year-old, colt—Peter Volo, br, by Peter the Great (1915)..... 2:02
Fastest 4-year-old, filly—Joan, b, by Directum Spier (1910)..... 2:04¾
Fastest 4-year-old, gelding—Uhlan, bl, by Bingen (1903)..... 2:07¼
Fastest 5-year-old, mare—Lou Dillon, ch, by Sidney Dillon (1903)..... 1:58½
Fastest 5-year-old, stallion—The Harvester, br, by Walnut Hall (1910)..... 2:01
Fastest 5-year-old, gelding—Uhlan, bl, by Bingen (1909)..... 2:02¾
Fastest green performer—Lou Dillon, ch m, 5, by Sidney Dillon (1903)..... 1:58½
Fastest green stallion—Colorado E., b, 3, by The Bondsman (1910)..... 2:04¾
Fastest green gelding—Highball, b, 7, by Dr. Hooker (1907); Lewis Forrest, bl, 6, by Gen. Forrest (1911); McCloskey, br, 9, by Theodosius (1914) 2:06¼

TROTTING — IN RACES

½ mile—The Monk, br g, 11, by Chimes (1904) (to wagon)..... 1:00½
Fastest heat—Hamburg Belle, b m, 7, by Axworthy (1909)..... 2:01¼
Fastest heat, stallion—The Harvester, br, 5, by Walnut Hall (1910); Peter Volo, br, 4, by Peter the Great (1915)..... 2:02
Fastest heat, gelding—Uhlan, bl, 5, by Bingen (1909) 2:03½
Fastest heat, yearling—Pansy McGregor, b f, by Fergus McGregor (1893)..... 2:23¾
Fastest heat, 2-year-old—Peter Volo, br c, by Peter the Great (1913)..... 2:04½
Fastest heat, 3-year-old—Peter Volo, br c, by Peter the Great (1914)..... 2:03½
Fastest heat, 4-year-old—Peter Volo, br, by Peter the Great (1915)..... 2:02
Fastest heat, 5-year-old—The Harvester, br h, by Walnut Hall (1914)..... 2:02
Fastest 1st heat—Hamburg Belle, b m, 7, by Axworthy (1909)..... 2:01¼
Fastest 2d heat—Hamburg Belle, b m, 7, by Axworthy (1909)..... 2:01¾
Fastest 3d heat—The Harvester, br h, 5, by Walnut Hall (1910)..... 2:02
Fastest 4th heat—Etawah, b c, 4, by Al Stanley (1914); Tommy Horn, b g, 8, by Otto Wilkes (1914)..... 2:04½
Fastest 5th heat—Helen Stiles, b m, 7, by Sidney Dillon (1912); Bon Zolock, b g, 8, by Zolock (1913); Maymack, b m, 9, by Arthur Wilkes (1914) 2:06¼
Fastest 6th heat—Manrico, b c, 3, by Moko (1912).. 2:07¼
Fastest 7th heat—Monte Carlo, b g, 7, by Mendocino (1903)..... 2:07¼
Fastest 8th heat—Cresceus, ch c, 3, by Robert Mcgregor (1897)..... 2:11¼
Fastest 9th heat—Alix, b m, 5, by Patronage (1893) 2:09¾
Fastest dead heat—Sweet Marie, b m, 8, by McKinney, and Aristo, b g, 5, by Nushagak (1904).. 2:08¼
Fastest 2-heat race—Hamburg Belle, b m, 7, by Axworthy (1909)..... 2:01¾, 2:01¾
Fastest 2-heat race, by a stallion—Peter Volo, br c, 4, by Peter the Great (1915)..... 2:02½, 2:02¾
Fastest 2-heat race, by a gelding—Uhlan, bl, 5, by Bingen (1909)..... 2:04¾, 2:03½
Fastest 3-heat race—Etawah, b c, 4, by Al Stanley (1914)..... 2:03¾, 2:03½, 2:03½
Fastest 3-heat race, by a mare—Maymack, b m, 9, by Arthur Wilkes (1914)..... 2:04½, 2:05¾, 2:05
Fastest 3-heat race, by a gelding—Paderewski, ch, 8, by Constantine (1909)..... 2:05¼, 2:06¾, 2:05¼
Fastest 3-heat race, divided heats—Lee Axworthy, b c, 4, by Guy Axworthy (1915) (Peter Volo won first heat)..... 2:02, 2:03¾, 2:04¾
Fastest 4-heat race—Etawah, b c, 4, by Al Stanley (1914) (Omar won first heat)..... 2:05¼, 2:05¾, 2:05¾, 2:04½
Fastest 5-heat race—Brace Girdle, b m, 11, by Tregantle (1911) (Billy Burke won 1st and Hallworthy 2d heat)... 2:03¾, 2:05¼, 2:05¾, 2:08½, 2:07¾
Fastest 6-heat race—Spanish Queen, b m, 7, by Onward Silver (1910) (Major Strong won 1st, General H 2d and 3d heats)..... 2:07¼, 2:07¼, 2:04¾, 2:07¾, 2:07¾, 2:12
Fastest 7-heat race—Tommy Horn, b g, 8, by Otto Wilkes (1914) (Lizzie Brown won 1st and 6th, Maymack 5th and Oakdale 2d heat)..... 2:07½, 2:07¾, 2:08¾, 2:04½, 2:06¾, 2:08, 2:08½
Fastest 8-heat race—Nutwearer, b g, 8, by Nutbreaker (1902) (Alice Carr won first, Rhythmic 2d, Wentworth 3d and Dulce Cor 4th and 6th heats)..... 2:04¼, 2:08¾, 2:03¼, 2:08½, 2:10¾, 2:12¾, 2:10¾, 2:12
Fastest 9-heat race—Alix, b m, 5, by Patronage (1893) (Dixley won 6th and 8th, Nightingale 7th, Lord Clinton 5th, and Hulda 2d and 3d heats).. 2:07¾, 2:10¼, 2:10½, 2:11¾, 2:11½, 2:09¾, 2:12¾, 2:15¼, 2:09¾.

TROTTING — TO WAGON

1 mile—Lou Dillon, ch m, 5, by Sidney Dillon (1909); Uhlan, bl g, 7, by Bingen (1911)..... 2:00
1 mile, by a gelding—Uhlan, bl, 7, by Bingen (1911) 2:00
1 mile, by a stallion—Peter Mac, br, 5, by Peter Great (1915)..... 2:05½
1 mile in a race—Lou Dillon, ch m, 5, by Sidney Dillon (1903)..... 2:04¾
1 mile in a race, by a gelding—Lord Derby, b, 7, by Mambrino King (1902)..... 2:05¾
1 mile in a race, by a stallion—John A. McKerron, b, 5, by Nutwood Wilkes (1910)..... 2:10
Fastest two heats—Lou Dillon, ch m, 5, by Sidney Dillon..... 2:04¾, 2:04¾
Fastest two heats by a gelding—Lord Derby, b g, 7, by Mambrino King (1902)..... 2:05¾, 2:06¼
Fastest 2 heats, by a stallion—John A. McKerron, b h, 5, by Nutwood Wilkes (1900)..... 2:10, 2:11
Fastest 3 heats—American Boy, b g, 8, by Potential (1907)..... 2:12½, 2:12, 2:12¼
Fastest 3-heat race—Lord Derby, b g, 7, by Mambrino King (1902) (The Monk won 1st heat)..... 2:06½, 2:06, 2:06
Fastest 4-heat race—Aerolite, b m, 7, by Acolyte (1904) (Dartmore won 1st, Hugh Wynne 2d heat)..... 2:14, 2:13½, 2:12, 2:12¾

TROTTING — UNDER SADDLE

1 mile—Country Jay, ch g, 13, by Jay Hawker (1909)..... 2:08¼
1 mile, in a race—The Wanderer, b g, 9, by The Tramp (1914)..... 2:14½

TROTTING TEAMS

1 mile—Uhlan, bl g, 8, by Bingen, and Lewis Forrest, bl g, 7, by Gen. Forrest (1912)..... 2:03¼
1 mile in a race—Roseleaf, blk f, 4, by Gold Leaf, and Sallie Simmons, b f, 4, by Simmons (1894).. 2:15¼

TROTTING — HALF-MILE TRACK

1 mile—Uhlan, bl g, 7, by Bingen (1911)..... 2:02¾
1 mile by a mare—Sweet Marie, b, 11, by McKinney (1907)..... 2:07
1 mile, by stallion—Willy, br h, 7, by Wilburn M. (1911)..... 2:07¾
1 mile, by a yearling—U. Forbes, bl c, by J. Malcolm Forbes (1913)..... 2:21½
1 mile, by a 2-year-old—Suldine, b c, by Worthy McKinney (1915)..... 2:13¼
1 mile, by a 3-year-old—Hugh Miller, bl c, by Barommore (1914)..... 2:11¼
1 mile in a race—Sweet Marie, b m, 11, by McKinney (1907)..... 2:08
2 miles—Prince C., br h, 10, by Martyr (1911)..... 4:42
Fastest 1st heat—Joe Bowers, b h, 7, by Symboleer (1911)..... 2:09¼
Fastest 2nd heat—Sweet Marie, b m, 11, by McKinney (1907)..... 2:08
Fastest 3rd heat—Early Alice, br m, 7, by Early Reaper (1908)..... 2:08¾
Fastest 4th heat—Charley H., br g, 8, by Cicerone (1910)..... 2:09¼
2 heats—George G., b g, 8, by Homeward (1906).. 2:08¾, 2:08½
2 heats, in a race—Sweet Marie, b m, 11, by McKinney (1907)..... 2:10, 2:08
3 heats, in a race—Nathan Axworthy, br h, 5, by Axworthy (1915)..... 2:09½, 2:10¼, 2:09¼
1 mile, to wagon—Sweet Marie, b m, 11, by McKinney (1907)..... 2:08½
1 mile, by a team—York Boy, b g, 9, by Wilkes Boy and Bemay, blk m, by Baronaise (1902)..... 2:12¼
1 mile, under saddle—The Wanderer, b g, 9, by The Tramp (1914)..... 2:14½

PACING

½ mile—Dan Patch, br h, 7, by Joe Patchen (1903) :56
1 mile—Dan Patch, br h, 9, by Joe Patchen (1905) 1:55¼
1 mile, in the open—Directum I., ch h, 8, by Directum Kelly (1915)..... 1:56¾
1¼ miles—Nervolo, b h, 7, by Colbert (1903)..... 2:38
1½ miles—Locanda, br h, 6 by Allerton (1903)..... 3:15¼
2 miles—Dan Patch, br h, 7, by Joe Patchen (1903) 4:17
3 miles—Elastic Pointer, b h, 15, by Brown Hal (1909)..... 7:31½
4 miles—Joe Jefferson, b h, 12, by Thomas Jefferson (1891)..... 10:10
5 miles—Lady St. Clair, b m, 12, by St. Clair (1874) 12:54¾
Fastest stallion—Dan Patch, br, 9, by Joe Patchen (1905)..... 1:55¼
Fastest gelding—Frank Bogash, Jr., b, 9, by Frank Bogash (1914)..... 1:59¼
Fastest mare—Dariel, b, 10, by Alcander (1903).. 2:00¼
Fastest yearling, colt—Frank Perry, b, by Toddington (1911)..... 2:15
Fastest yearling, filly—Rose McGee, b, by The Abbe (1914)..... 2:19½
Fastest yearling, gelding—Vice, b, by Vice Commodore (1914)..... 2:23¾
Fastest 2-year-old, colt—Directly, blk, by Direct (1894)..... 2:07¾
Fastest 2-year-old, filly—Fleeta Dillon, b, by Sidney Dillon (1909)..... 2:08¾
Fastest 2-year-old, gelding—Richman, bl, by The Northern Man (1914)..... 2:09¾
Fastest 3-year-old, filly—Anna Bradford, bl, by Todd Mac (1914)..... 2:00¾
Fastest 3-year-old, colt—General Todd, b, by Geo. Todd (1915)..... 2:04¼
Fastest 3-year-old, gelding—Rayo de Oro, ch, by Copa de Oro (1915)..... 2:07¼
Fastest 4-year-old, colt—William, b, by Abe J. (1914) 2:00
Fastest 4-year-old, gelding—R. H. Brett, b, by Waponee (1914)..... 2:03¼
Fastest 4-year-old, filly—Sadie Densmore, ch, by Don Densmore (1915)..... 2:02
Fastest 5-year-old, stallion—William, b, by Abe J. (1915)..... 1:58½
Fastest 5-year-old, gelding—Coney, blk, by McKinney (1900)..... 2:02¾
Fastest 5-year-old, mare—Leata J., b, by Royal McKinney (1913)..... 2:03
Fastest green performer—Minor Heir, br h, 6, by Heir-at-Law (1908)..... 1:59½
Fastest green mare—Anna Bradford, bl, 3, by Todd Mac (1914)..... 2:00¾
Fastest green gelding—R. H. Brett, b, 4, by Waponee (1914)..... 2:03¼

PACING—IN RACES

½ mile—Prince Alert, b g, 10, by Crown Prince (1902)..... :57¾
Fastest heat, stallion—Directum I., ch, 7, by Directum Kelly (1914)..... 1:58
Fastest heat, gelding—Frank Bogash Jr., b, 9, by Frank Bogash (1914)..... 1:59¼
Fastest heat, mare—Evelyn W., b, 9, by The Spy (1912)..... 2:00½
Fastest heat, yearling—Belle Acton, b f, by Shadeland Onward (1892)..... 2:30
Fastest heat, 2-year-old—Extasy, b f, by Baron Wilkes (1898)..... 2:10½
Fastest heat, 3-year-old—Anna Bradford, bl f, by Todd Mac (1914)..... 2:00¾
Fastest heat, 4-year-old—William, b c, by Abe J. (1914)..... 2:00
Fastest heat, 5-year-old—William, b h, by Abe J. (1915)..... 1:58½
Fastest 1st heat—Directum I., ch h, 7, by Directum Kelly (1914)..... 1:58
Fastest 2d heat—Frank Bogash Jr., b g, 9, by Frank Bogash (1914)..... 1:59¼
Fastest 3d heat—Directum I., ch h, 7, by Directum Kelly (1914)..... 2:00
Fastest 4th heat—Evelyn W., b m 8, by The Spy (1911); Directum I., ch h, 6, by Directum Kelly (1913); Napoleon Direct, ch h, 7, by Walter Direct (1915)..... 2:02¼
Fastest 5th heat—Napoleon Direct, ch h, 7, by Walter Direct (1915)..... 2:01½
Fastest 6th heat—R. H. Brett, b g, 4, by Waponee (1914); Russell Boy, b h, 5, by Rustic Patenter (1915)..... 2:03¼
Fastest 7th heat—R. H. Brett, b g, 4, by Waponee (1914)..... 2:05½
Fastest dead heat—Robert J., b g, 8, by Hartford and John R. Gentry, b h, 7, by Ashland Wilkes (1896)..... 2:04
Fastest 2-heat race—Directum I., ch h, 7, by Directum Kelly (1914)..... 1:58, 2:00
Fastest 2-heat race, by a gelding—Prince Alert, b, 9, by Crown Prince (1901)..... 2:02¼, 2:00¾
Fastest 2-heat race, by a mare—Flower Direct, b, 8, by Direct's Star (1915)..... 2:00¾, 2:02½
Fastest 3-heat race—William, b c, 4, by Abe J. (1914)..... 2:00½, 2:00, 2:02½
Fastest 3-heat race, by a gelding—Independence Boy, ch g, 6, by Thistle..(1911)..2:02¾, 2:01¾, 2:02
Fastest 3-heat race, by a mare—The Broncho, b m, 8, by Stormcliffe (1906)..... 2:03, 2:03¼, 2:02¾
Lady Maud C., ch m, 9, by Chitwood (1909).... 2:03¼, 2:02½, 2:03¼
Fastest 3-heat race, divided heats—Directum I., ch h, 7, by Directum Kelly (1914) (Frank Bogash Jr. won 1st heat)..... 2:02½, 2:00, 2:00
Fastest 4-heat race—Evelyn W., b m, 8, by The Spy (1911) (Earl Jr. won second heat)..... 2:03, 2:03, 2:03½, 2:02¼
Fastest 5-heat race—Napoleon Direct, ch h, 7, by Walter Direct (1515) (Peter Stevens won 3rd and 4th heats)..... 2:02, 2:01¾, 2:03½, 2:05¼, 2:01½
Fastest 6-heat race—Russell Boy, b h, 5, by Rustic Patenter (1915) (Hal Boy won 1st, Judge Ormonde 2nd and 3rd heats)..... 2:03½, 2:03¼, 2:02½, 2:04¼, 2:03¾, 2:03¼
Fastest 7-heat race—Jerry B., ch g, 7, by Argot Wilkes (1908) (Minor Heir won 1st and 2nd, The Eel 3rd, and Copa de Oro 4th heats)..... 2:00½, 2:02, 2:05¾, 2:08½, 2:06½, 2:06¾, 2:07¼
Fastest 8-heat race—Direction, bl h, 8, by Director (1895) (Coleridge won 1st and 2nd, Paul 3rd and Ben D. 4th and 5th heats)..... 2:05¼, 2:06¾, 2:07¼, 2:07½, 2:07½, 2:08¾, 2:10, 2:11½
Fastest 9-heat race—Handy Jim, br g, 8, by Inline B. (1915) (Joe H. won 1st and 6th, Al Dillard 2d, Flash Patchen 3rd, Elisha Jay 4th and 5th heats) 2:12½, 2:12¼, 2:11¼, 2:12¼, 2:12¼, 2:15¼, 2:11¼, 2:11¾, 2:11¾.
Fastest 10-heat race—Kitty R., b f, 4, by Kermiss (1898) (Miss Maymo won 1st, The Bishop 2nd and 3rd, Tom Webster 4th, Harry C. 7th and 9th, Ding 8th heats)..... 2:11½, 2:12, 2:13½, 2:11¼, 2:10¾, 2:13¾, 2:14¾, 2:16¼, 2:17¾, 2:20

PACING — TO WAGON

1 mile—Dan Patch, br h, 7, by Joe Patchen (1903) 1:57¼
1 mile, by a gelding—Little Boy, b g, 8, by Kenton (1901)..... 2:01½
1 mile, by a mare—Aileen Wilson, bl, 10, by Arrowwood (1910)..... 2:04½
1 mile in race—Argus Pointer, b g, 6, by Sidney Pointer (1904)..... 2:04½
1 mile in a race, by a mare—Edith W., b, 9, by Ben Lomond Jr. (1902)..... 2:05¾
1 mile in a race, by a stallion—Fred S. Wedgewood, rn , by Fred S. Wilkes (1902)..... 2:07½

PACING — UNDER SADDLE

1 mile—George Gano, b h, 12, by Gambetta Wilkes (1915)..... 2:10¾
1 mile in race—Billy Boyce, b g, 7, by Corbeau (1868)..... 2:14¼

PACING — TEAMS

½-mile—Prince Direct, blk h, 9, by Direct and Morning Star, b g, 7, by Star Pointer (1904)... 1:00¾
1 mile—Minor Heir, br h, 10, by Heir-at-Law, and George Gano, b h, 9, by Gambetta Wilkes (1912) 2:02
1 mile in a race—Billy M., ch g, 8, by Newtown Boy, and Doctor M., ch g, 9, by Sir Edwin Arnold (1914)..... 2:07¼

PACING—HALF-MILE TRACK

½-mile—Billy M., ch g, 9, by Newtown Boy (1915) 1:00¾
1 mile—Dan Patch, br h, 9, by Joe Patchen (1905).. 2:01
1 mile, in the open—Directum I., ch h, 6, by Directum Kelly (1913)..... 2:02¾
1 mile, by a gelding—Prince Alert, b, 11, by Crown Prince (1903)..... 2:03½
1 mile, by a mare—Alcyfras, ro m, 8, by Alcryon (1911)..... 2:04½
1 mile in a race—Directum I., ch h, 6, by Directum Kelly (1913)..... 2:02¾
2 heats in a race—Lady Maud C., ch m, 11, by Chitwood (1911)..... 2:04¾, 2:04¾
3 heats in a race—Peter Stevens, b h, 6, by Peter the Great (1915)..... 2:07¾, 2:04, 2:05¼
3 heats in a race, by a gelding—Billy M., ch g, 8, By Newtown Boy (1914)..... 2:09, 2:04, 2:04¾
3-heat race, divided heats—Directum I., ch h, 8, by Directum Kelly (1915) (Peter Stevens won 2nd heat)..... 2:05½, 2:04, 2:06
One mile by a team—Franklin Pearce, b g, 7, by Avoca Wilkes, and Buck Muscovite, b g, 9, by George Muscovite (1914)..... 2:10¼
One mile to wagon—Dan Patch, b h, 9, by Joe Patchen (1905)..... 2:05
One mile, to saddle—George Gano, b h, 12, by Gambetta Wilkes (1915)..... 2:18½

The Santa Rosa colony has received a welcome addition recently in the shape of the stable of Keefer & Spencer, who will winter there and get ready for the coming season's racing, also placing in service at the fair ground there the good son of The Exponent, The Proof 2:10¾. A public training stable will be conducted under the especial care of Mr. Spencer, well and favorably known among western horsemen as the trainer and developer of such good race goers as Bernice R. 2:07¼, Prince Lot 2:07¾, Glenrose 2:07¼, Aristo 2:08¼, Kid Cupid 2:08¾, Nada 2:09¼, Bonnie Ansel 2:09¼, Nuristo 2:10¼, The Proof 2:10¾, Laura Rodgers 2:11¼ trial 2:06¼, Bonnie Princess trial 2:07¼ and numerous others of lesser note. All of these were "made" entirely by Mr. Spencer, who has also won about all of the local colt stakes at one time or another, and who has very seldom been behind the money with a starter in these classics.

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HOW A RIFLE IS SIGHTED.

A rifle that will shoot into a dinner plate at 500 yards for a score of shots, and a set of sights that are cruder than those used on the ancient crossbow—this is the modern military rifle and its equipment. The simplest form of rear sight in the world—the quickest to catch, and the most accurate to use, is a round hole in a plate close enough to the eye to save searching for it when the rifle is thrown to the shoulder. But two rifles of the world's military rifles are so fitted. One of these, the rifle of the American service, has the principle applied in so faulty a manner that for fighting the peep is nearly useless. It is set too far from the eye, and it is too small in size.

The sights on a rifle are necessary, first to allow the firer to see over the elevated muzzle, second, to align the weapon accurately on the mark. Regardless of distance from the gun, if the mark is to be hit, the muzzle of the rifle must be pointing higher than the thing to be hit. At 1,000 yards the bore—the line of the barrel—is actually pointing 40 feet above the target. During its flight the bullet falls this distance and hits the mark. This is true of the present Government rifle, but in the case of the old black powder .45-70, the barrel was actually pointed 175 feet above the mark at 1,000 yards.

By raising the rear sight, the rifleman can see over the raised muzzle, and when the front sight is put into the proper relation to the mark and the rear sight, the rifle is pointed the correct distance above the target to overcome the effect of gravity, and still the rifleman is aiming at the target over his line of sights.

When the Government rifle is sighted for 1,000 yards, the rear sight is roughly 5-16 inch higher than its position for 100 yards, and the muzzle of course has to be raised that much to bring the front sight again into line with the rear.

At this thousand-yard range, an error in the alignment of front and rear sight of just 6-1000 inch—six one-thousandths—will make an error at the target of 10 inches. In other words the rifle pointed at the center of a man's body would miss him if the error of 6-1000 inch were made laterally, sideways. Four times this error in aligning the sights up and down—24-1000 inch—would put the bullet above or below the soldier if the sights were pointed for his middle and the rifle were sighted to hit there when normally aimed.

This is the reason why the impracticable rifle shooters demand peep sights. It is the reason why the protests of thousands of American military rifle target shooters compelled the Government hastily to install an after-thought peep on the Krag Jorgenson of one model, why our Springfield has a peep, and why the Canadian Ross has a peep sight set in the correct position close to the eye, not true of any other rifle in the world that is intended for the fighting man.

The open sight is merely a bar with a notch cut in it, set usually near the rear end of the barrel. When the front sight is drawn into the correct position in this notch, and then the front in turn is placed in the correct relation to the mark, the rifle is sighted correctly. Unhappily this process entails optical impossibilities, and a compromise, more or less satisfactory, has to be used with the open form of sight.

The mark, the front sight, and the rear sight lie in three different planes. The eye sees no two of the three sharp at the same time. The rear sight, for example, lies say 15 inches from the eye, the front sight 30 inches, and the mark a distance measured in yards. So the unhappy user of the open sight has to make his eye leap sprightly from one sight to another and then to the mark, the muscles of accommodation altering the focus of the eye for each one as one alters the focus of the lens of a camera for varying distances.

Normally the shooter sees the rear sight sharp for an instant, as he draws the front sight into the notch, then trying to hold the front sight in its correct position, he focuses on the front sight and puts that against the mark, and then focuses on the mark. By this time the rear is very blurred and fuzzy because the eye is not in focus for something 15 inches away, but for infinity of distance. The great change, of course, is from front to rear sight, because changing in focus for an object 15 inches to one of 30 inches, is a far greater strain than changing from 30 inches to 300 yards.

Not only do old eyes, with stiffened muscles of accommodation, fail to get accurate results with open sights, but young eyes cannot do the work with the open that they can with the peep. Into this list must be added the further evil that an excited man will not stop to draw the front sight into the right position in the notch of the rear sight, but will put it merely into approximate position, and let fly. It is an eye strain, and a slower method than the peep, but still the Continental authorities cling to this crude sighting method.

The peep sight, on the other hand, depends on a sound optical principle for its usefulness, and that the principle is sound is proved by too many years of the use of this form of sight. Crossbows dating clear back to the 14th century show peep sights as part of their equipment, one example belonging to an English nobleman, showing five different peep holes, one above the other for different ranges.

The light in the center of the round hole close to the eye is stronger than the light around the edges, and the eye, if left to itself, goes to the center of this hole every time. Queerly enough, if the hole in peep is about the size of the iris of the eye, the rim surrounding the hole in the sight nearly disappears from view, even though it be 1-16 inch thick or even more. The well-known Lyman sight for sporting rifles illustrates this latter form.

If the rifle is such and the peep is so arranged that it can be used close to the eye without recoil endangering the shooter's face, a very small peep, 3-100 inch across, can be used, and still allow a perfect view of mark, around it, and front sight. Here it is like looking through a pin hole in a sheet of paper against the eye.

In using the peep set in proper position with relation to the eye, it is utterly ignored and is seen no more than a person sees the frame of the window through which he is gazing. The eye goes to the center of the hole if left alone. So the problem of our rear sight is immediately solved, the shooter has left only the front sight and the thing to be hit. Also not only does the shooter ignore the peep, but he does not have to fight with a blurring image of the rear sight in his endeavor to shoot accurately. So our gain is two-fold, quickness in sighting and accuracy in sighting, to say nothing of the relief given to men with defective eye sight, or with the failing eyes of age.

The shooter's problem is resolved to the simple one of putting the clearly seen front sight in the correct relation to the mark. He has no more worry over seeing through the rear sight, once his head is in the correct position, than he would have did no rear sight exist.

But one military rifle correctly solves the sighting problem, and that is the Canadian service rifle, the Ross Mark III. Here the rear sight is set back on the bridge at the rear end of the receiver, and is hardly 3 inches from the eye.

Normally the sight lies flat on the bridge, when a large "U" shaped notch forms the sight, and gives the rifle about 400 yards of range. This is the "battle sight," used at close range in a very great hurry.

When the leaf is raised to the vertical, a plate carrying the round peep hole is exposed to view. Above the round hole is another U notch for occasions when the peep cannot be used, such as very bad light and badly defined objects. For target shooting considerations the hole is very small, about 6-100 inch, and in poor light the rifleman cannot always use it. It would be more practical for sighting if opened out to a tenth-inch diameter. As it is, however, it is so near the eye that the rifleman sees through it without effort in ordinary lights.

The other rifle fitted with a peep, the new Springfield of the American service, loses all the virtues of the peep by the sight being set too far from the eye. With the largest size hole but 6-100 inch, the sight is perched on the rear end of the barrel, about 10 inches from the eye, and only by strain and care can the small hole be seen, and the mark caught through it. It is not practical for fighting, particularly in bad light, or on neutral colored objects. The peep is somewhat useful for target work, even a poor peep being superior to an open sight.

All other rifles of military type use open sights well up the barrel, the notches cut either U or V in shape, usually the latter. Just as the peep sight is more efficient when close to the eye, the open is cut clearer when set a distance away, being then nearer to the focal plane of the front sight and the mark. Although the open military sight is seen more clearly when it is set a good distance from the eye, it cannot go too far away because then the distance between the sights is cut down, and errors are increased in the same proportion, on the target.

The German Mauser sight is known as a ramp sight. It is a leaf hinged at the forward end, and lying flat on the barrel. A ramp or inclined plate lies between the bars of the leaf, in one model. When a locking button in the sight is released by being compressed between thumb and finger and is pushed forward up the ramp, it carries the sight leaf upward, giving elevation for the various ranges, which are marked on the side of the ramp. The sight locks itself when the button is released.

The British sight, aside from being the old crude type, is the best of all the fighting rifles. The open feature could be altered at small trouble, and a peep provided.

Pushing the elevating bar forward up an incline gives elevation, the ranges being marked on the leaf of the sight that normally lies flat on the barrel. A wind gage is provided, and by means of a fine worm



A BUNCH OF CANVASBACK AND SPRIGTAIL.

Feathered Dividends Declared by Green Lodge Overflow Pond, on the Suisun Marsh. Not Once But Many Times During Past Hunting Seasons.

screw, the fine changes necessary in long range target shooting can be made between the coarser yard graduations. Saving the feature of being an open sight, it is probably the most practical of all outside the Canadian back sight.

The American Springfield sight has grave errors, being neither a practical military sight nor an efficient target sight.

When the leaf is raised vertically for use, it is exposed to blows, and is more or less in the way. Standing vertically, the green soldier perceives a notch of U shape, cut in crossbar of the leaf, and good for 2,850 yards, then below that another notch in the side, and below that a triangle milled out in the plate of the slide, and a third notch cut in that. If the range is 500 or 600 yards, raising the slide leaves an irregular shaped hole between it and the base of the sight, through which the rookie invariably proceeds to aim. So the green man has in front of him three different notches, a peep, and possibly a hole between slide and base that looks as if it might be intended to aim through.

When the sight leaf is laid flat on the barrel, the battle sight is in view, a notch of U shape, sighted for 530 yards. This is one of the most brilliant features of the rifle, a sight carefully designed to do away with all the virtues of the flat trajectory of the very modern army rifle. Being sighted for 530 yards, the rifle shoots more than 2 feet high at 300 yards, and the soldier is told to aim that much low. Inasmuch as the soldier is not disposed to judge distance carefully in the heat of battle, and inasmuch as a battle sight is supposed to be a sight with which you can hold on the enemy regardless of his range if he is within its scope, the American battle sight is carefully designed to put the entire sheaf of fire over the enemy at the most useful range.

What should be done, is to sight the rifle with this battle sight—an emergency sight we might call it—for 400 yards, when the bullet would rise nowhere more than 10 inches higher than the line of the sights and the soldier could then hold on his foeman at any range up to the 400-yard limit of this sight. This is utilizing the flat shooting of the rifle as it was intended to be utilized—that is, letting the very flat flight of the bullet take care of all errors in range estimate, and so make range estimate unnecessary up to the limit of the battle sight. To hold high or low for various distances is to get back into the class of the most old fashioned, slow speed, high trajectory rifles, where one had to hold high or low or change sight setting to compensate for the fall of the bullet.

A flat trajectory modern rifle means that the bullet flies nearly as level as a stretched string for a certain distance, because of itsh igh speed, and so long as this rise and fall of the bullet in getting over a certain range does not become enough to miss a prone man, then that range is the battle range, and the sight should be adjusted to shoot to center over it. Then if a man is nearer, the bullet still does not get high enough to miss him, and the soldier merely holds on his mark at any range within this limit.

When, because of its high speed, the bullet from the German Mauser does not have to rise higher than 20 inches to hit the center at 500 yards, then the battle range and the battle sight of that rifle is nearly 500 yards long. Up to that distance the sight setting does not have to be changed, the 500 yard setting catches nearly anything in between.

And, as pointed out, the most practical form of such a battle sight would be a large peep, set on the receiver bridge of the rifle so that the soldier could merely put the front sight on the mark and fire after he had once glanced through the peep to make sure that his eye was opposite it.—Scientific American.

DUCK HUNTING NOTES.

Wild fowl shooting on the Suisun marsh preserves for the past three weeks has been the poorest in many years. The birds—sprig, mallard and teal—have gone to other more congenial feeding and resting grounds. Last Sunday the combined bag for the whole marsh—inside the railroad tracks, did not count up 75 birds, mostly spooneys at that.

One reason given for the present scarcity of ducks is that there is too much shooting. Usually the Suisun clubs shot two days a week, Sundays and Wednesdays. Recently the bombardment has been almost daily. Even keepers on several of the preserves have been kept busy on the odd days to bag a few ducks for a return-to-town showing of inconsiderate gunners, it is claimed. Some of the old timers have called quits for the season, shooting conditions have become so unreliable.

In reference to these persistent shooters, out any old time, it may be charitably said that undue eagerness and enthusiasm really carried most of the sinners out of the regular path of sportsmanship, rather than any premeditated plan to either get more ducks than the law allows or to jeopardize the enjoyment of their fellow sportsmen.

Good duck shooting has been the rule in the upper portions of the Sacramento valley recently.

W. K. Brown, manager of the Moulton Irrigated Lands company at Colusa, reports that the duck shooting has been good the past few days around Colusa owing to the recent high water. During the late freshet the Sacramento river ran through the Moulton break on the east side of the river and flooded the farm lands below Colusa and along Butte slough. The deep water of course has somewhat spoiled the shooting on the gun clubs' premises.

MARTHA LEARNS THE TRICK.

Day before yesterday Jim Milburn, my next door neighbor, announced at luncheon that he had caught his last fish with a common rod and line. "Martha," he said, "I've bought a reel and I'm going to show you some true sport. Be ready by 5, and we'll go to the lake. Let all the kids go, for I'm very anxious to make good sportsmen of them and it's never too early to begin." Enthusiasm reigned, for the children didn't often get to go fishing with Daddy and one of Martha's pet theories is that fishing induces patience; so, feeling the need of this quality in the management of her family, she was quite elated over this opportunity to cultivate it.

Everything went well, and by 5 they were off in the old surrey, with the poles sticking out behind and the children so hilarious that the neighbors came out to see what was going on. Bobby had dug a gallon of earth worms and took along a net to dip minnows for extra bait, and Jim allowed Martha to take care of his new reel while he drove.

On the edge of the lake, near the landing, a number of rowboats were tied. "Now folks," said Jim, "we'll fish from the ends of these boats, so we can cast farther out. You know only the tiny fish come into the shallows among the reeds. Martha"—indicating a somewhat broad, flat bottomed boat—"it would be well for you to step into that; it's not so tippy as these others. Helen, Bobby and Charlotte can take these smaller ones and Jerry can sit on the landing close beside you. I shall take the one beyond the landing." So began the first lesson in true sport.



A BRACE OF TEAL
Suggestive Of Keen Wingshooting Sport In the Los Banos Country—Now Only a Memory.

Martha had some difficulty in reaching the end of her boat, for she is growing heavy, and even a raft will tip under sufficient provocation; but at last she got settled and put out her line. She was soon oblivious to surroundings. Patiently, intently, she waited—expecting each moment to experience that delicious thrill which runs up the rod, through the arm and into one's heart—a nibble! But it did not come. Slightly frowning, she examined her hook and found the bait gone.

"Oh, Mummy!" laughed Bobby, "you didn't get any bait. Here! Swing your line around and I'll put on a minny." She swung it around and it caught in the boat chain. Helen laughed and Martha started up to release it. "Sit still!" hissed Jim (who was busily getting acquainted with his new tackle)—"I'll get it off. You folks make enough racket to frighten a fish to death."

"Jim," sighed Martha, her eyes on little Jerry's bobbing cork, "you're such a patient man."

Jim loosened the hook and tossed it to Bobby for bait.

"There she is," whispered Bobby, and, without looking around, Martha gave a strong cast, and Bobby gave a yell. The sight of the poor laddy's torn fingers so upset poor Martha that she almost upset the boat. Fortunately, Jim still had his foot on the end of it and saved her life. "Stay where you are," he said sweetly. "I'll attend to the kid's fingers."

Her arms were wet to the shoulders and her rod was floating away, but Helen coaxed it back with hers, while Jim applied peroxide to Bobby's fingers. "Jim, dear," she said gratefully, "I'm glad you always carry peroxide. You are so prudent." He tied the fingers up and sent Bobby to sit in the surrey till he could be a brave sportsman and stop crying. Martha longed to cuddle her big boy and kiss his poor hurt fingers; but she felt it would be safer to obey her husband, so sat still. She sat still so long that when the coveted thrill finally came, a panic seized her and she gave a great heave. There was a wild chorus of shrieks as a large crawfish sought refuge on her back. Jim pounced upon the beast with such fury—Jim weighs all of 200—that the boat dipped again and they had to bail out the water. "Never mind, dear," he solaced her cheerfully; "you couldn't be any wetter, so you've nothing more to fear except drowning. You had better rest awhile and I'll show you how to cast with my new reel. A reel is the only thing, anyway: lands your hook out in the deep water, you know—no crawfish out there—and plays your catch in gradually, if he is a fighter, till you can use a net and land him safely where you want him. Some sport about a reel! If you catch on, I'll get you one tomorrow."

"Jim, dear," Martha smiled patiently, "you are so thoughtful of me."

Standing in Bobby's boat, he raised his arm and gave such a powerful cast that they all feared his hook would anchor in the bottom of the lake or on the opposite shore. It didn't. The end of the pole whipped the water furiously and—— "Huh!" he grunted. "Used too much muscle."

Ten minutes passed, while he painstakingly untangled the line from the reeds and wound it up. "Now, watch!" he whispered.

He stepped back a little, gave his wrist a professional looking twist, and—whiz! The hook dropped in the boat, at his feet! "Now what the —— Well, let's try it again."

This time he had to pull up a handful of reeds under the boat, to keep from breaking the line. As he wrung the water from his sleeves he smiled beatifically and suggested gently that his wife had better fish awhile, or she wouldn't have anything to show for her time, while he would see what in thunder had gotten into his reel.

Martha didn't have any bait; so little Jerry, who was dangling his legs from the landing and guarding the bait can, offered to bring her a worm. Fearing consequences, should he attempt coming to her, she told him to put the lid on the can tightly and toss it across. He hammered on the lid with his little fists and threw the can with all his might. Though

the can held a gallon and his arms are short, he is unusually strong and the distance was only a few feet. When the can struck her, the inevitable happened and it took fifteen minutes to gather up those precious, horrible, squirming, slimy things, which crawled in her hair, dangled in the limp ruffles of her old dimity dress and twined about her fingers when she tried to put them into the can. She gritted her teeth to keep from screaming; for she knew, if she so much as groaned, Jim would laugh and say: "Be a sport, old girl! Be a sport!" As it was, he didn't seem to notice, and she was congratulating herself upon this, when suddenly the air was electrified by a regulation swear word from her church-going husband. She flounced about so quickly that she barely escaped upsetting again. "Jim!" she cried, horrified—"Jim!"

"O Mummy! Mummy!" squealed Jerry. "De wums is all takin' a baf. Look at 'em thwim! One of 'em hath on a stwyped bavin' thuit. Lookee, Mummy! Thee him dive way down. Won't he dwown?"

But even the precious drowning bait failed to draw her fascinated eyes from her wild-eyed, disheveled husband, who was holding on to the end of his rod with one upstretched hand and frantically waving the other to keep his balance, while, with every lurch of the boat, his hook became more firmly ladged in the topmost branches of an old oak which stood a few feet back on the bank. "Somebody do something!" he yelled. "The line will break"

"Bobby! Bobby!" Martha called, fearing each moment to see her husband go headlong into the lake. "Go up and dislodge Papa's hook. Quickly!"

"I ca-an't!" wailed Bobby. "My hand hurts."

"I'll go!" piped Charlotte eagerly, "if you'll boost me."

Helen and Martha scrambled ashore and boosted. Charlotte is short, but quite as round as a bear and as clumsy, and it was only after repeated failures that they succeeded in getting her high enough to reach the first branch, and, when she straddled that, she could neither go higher nor come down, but clung there and screeched.

"Hold on there!" yelled Jim—"She'll fall in a minute. You come here, Martha, and hold on to this and I'll get her down. Don't let go or rod and all will be out of reach." She obediently crawled out to him, and, with his help, stood up, but it was only after several futile attempts that he succeeded in bringing the rod within her reach. She grasped it as if it were her last hope of salvation. "Stand still!" he yelled; but the more she tried, the more they both swayed, till finally they were holding onto that rod for dear life. Just then Charlotte gave an extra yelp and slid safely to the ground; the line broke and husband and wife lay sprawling across the boat, with their feet and arms in the water.

With some difficulty Jim rescued himself, and then, dragging her ashore, said soothingly: "Never mind, dear. We'll leave the darn thing in the tree and tomorrow I'll get some new ones. I've been reading those new flies: four hooks to a line and a different colored fly on each. If the fish don't like one, they're sure to select another. It'll be great sport! It's going to rain tomorrow and will be fine for fishing in the evening. We'll leave the children at Mother's. Plenty of time for them to learn later. You are rather wet, so we'd better get you home or you'll catch your death. But say, Martha! those flies are the bulliest bait! A fish couldn't resist them, they look so tempting."

Well, next evening there was a sure enough fishing drizzle—one of those gentle, quiet, warm, early summer semi-showers that keeps it up steadily, but softly, and doesn't seem inclined to stop until next week—that makes the fish rise to the bait as if it were their one object in life. In rubbers and rain coats they waded through the tall wet grass to a treeless spot, where the reeds along the edge were not too thick, and Jim handed her a handsome new reel. Her eyes glowed and Jim felt proud of himself when she ecstatically exclaimed: "Jim, I could fish in a tornado with this fascinating thing and never hear the clatter. And oh! those four beautiful flies are as natural as life!"

"Don't cast too hard," he admonished. "Watch me. Just give your wrist a quick twist, like this."

She saw the twist but her cap was gone forever. However, the flies landed so far out she didn't notice Jim's solicitous remarks or regret the cap, but eagerly tried the peculiar little twist. Now, how under the sun those flies got off the back way, crawled under her skirts and attached themselves to the top of her stockings, it is difficult to imagine; and she had to worry them out alone, for Jim was so intent on his own line that he was deaf and dumb and blind to all else. Those flies were true to fly nature in rainy weather. No sooner would one become unattached, than it would find a new place to settle! The only thing she could do was to keep each in her closed hand till all four were safely corraled. To steady her nerves and keep from wincing from the pain in her hand, she kept repeating to herself: "Fishing induces patience. Fishing induces patience."

The next cast was purely accidental, but a beauty, and they both sat in placid content, watching and waiting in the waning light, while the soft drizzle barely disturbed the water—waiting for the thrill.

"Jim," she whispered, "did any one ever catch four kinds of fish on one line?"

"Sh-h!" hissed Jim. "Never heard of such a thing."

"But I don't see why they couldn't," she argued. "Maybe we can if fisherman's luck runs high."

"We'll be lucky to catch one, if you don't keep still."

Five slow minutes passed.

"A catfish, a dogfish, a——"

Jim hissed. She chuckled. Five, ten, fifteen minutes more of drizzly silence.

"Dog gone it all!" Jim snatched out his line so suddenly that she grabbed hold of him, to keep from tumbling in, in her fright, and they both got their feet wet. "Now, what makes you so nervous?" he groaned. "Do you know what I forgot? The directions said these blasted flies must be well soaked before using, or the darned fish wouldn't bite."

"Jim, dear," she urged, "your language is shocking. But don't you think the flies are pretty well soaked?"

"That's so!" he ejaculated. "Well, let's mosey around to the other shore and try it there. Maybe we can fool the fish into thinking we soaked them before we came."

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Established on the other side, they cast again; but again the fiends of mischief seemed to possess Martha's flies, which so mixed themselves up in her hair that she had to take it down and pick them out. But she held on to her temper. "I dare not grow angry while fishing," she ruminated, "for the passion seems to be in some manner communicated to the fish and they only play with you. No! one must have patience. Fishing demands patience." So she patiently worked away while the deep, drizzly silence seemed to close over her head. She grew almost placid under it, when she was suddenly disturbed by a grunt. Hastily grabbing out the last hook with a number of hairs, she flung back her wet tresses, and, to her amazement, Jim was turning slowly around and around, looking about in a bewildered daze. She watched, in horrified fascination, thinking he had gone mad, till he began to mutter, "Where in tarnation are those —— flies! Where in thunder—!" And just then she saw and gave a screech which startled him into giving the line a strong pull—at which he let out a yell like a Comanche and grabbed the back of his thin Jersey. "Blast the luck!" he shouted. "Martha, you stop that howling and get these things out!"

She doubled up with agony, but the spasm soon passed; for she stepped on her own line and every one of those flies took an impish delight in attaching itself to different parts of her new rain coat. It was maddening. When she turned to extract No. One, No. Two came away with a section of the thin rubber cloth and settled in a new spot. This continued till, what with Jim's raving (never had she heard him use such language!) and six jagged rents in the rubber, she grew frantic, and, flinging off the coat, with her hands over her ears, cried out: "Get your old hooks out by yourself! I'll get a divorce, if you ever swear again!" And then she flopped right down on the soppy ground and bawled. Jim was stunned into silence and stood staring at her in such ludicrous fashion that her weeping suddenly changed to laughter and she laughed till the tears fell faster than ever. Then Jim laughed—a little uncertainly at first. She dabbed at her eyes with her wet dress and then he fairly roared—still holding on to the back of his Jersey—till at last she got up and took the hooks out for him and he picked up her coat, which was all in the water but one sleeve. And what do you suppose? There, on one of those perverse hooks, flopped a fish—a big fish—the biggest fish ever caught in our lake. I don't know what it was. They said it tasted like mud when they ate it for breakfast next morning, but Jim beamed seraphically upon the children and said: "Now that your Mother has caught on to the manner in which four flies must be handled, it's your turn, Bobby. If it drizzles tomorrow, I'll teach you the trick."—Exchange.

FISH LINES.

The season for steelhead angling in tidewaters of our coast streams opened on the 15th inst. and will continue until February 15. For the prior two years the season for tidewater sport closed January 1 and there was no limit on the catch. Under the present statute the daily limit is but two steelhead trout, size not counting—taken either with hook and line or with a spear, in district No. 2 only.

The curtailing of the winter catch of the big breeding steelhead, the natural and most reliable replenisher of the coast streams, and also the embargo placed on general net operations, will do more good in the line of keeping the steelhead waters stocked than anything else. How the unsportsmanlike use of the spear was permitted is a puzzler to the writer. It was no doubt in the nature of a placation to the "natives" in some sections.

Russian river bar was open and there was no doubt a run of steelhead from the ocean. The river on the opening day was high and muddy and has been in non-fishable condition since. Local anglers who visited Duncans Mills did not return weighed down with Austin pool prizes. However, the extension of the season for six weeks longer than last season will no doubt furnish ample compensation for the opening day's blank results.

Local rodsters who spent last Sunday on Paper Mill creek, at the White House pool, however, had great success. Del Cooper brought home a 12-pound steelhead, the largest for the day, while George Uri hooked the limit of two, one a 9-pounder. Among those who got the limit were Harry Thomson, H. Campbell, Moe Uri, Jim Andrews, Charley Arp and others.

Just what the conditions are down the San Mateo coast, in the San Lorenzo and other Santa Cruz streams, opposite on the Monterey side and further south to the Ventura river, the writer has not yet been advised.

Good catches of striped bass have recently been made in Napa creek near the railroad bridge and thereabouts. A week ago the veteran Al Wilson landed a 54-pounder. Wilson also made a 400-pound catch not long ago. One fisherman known as "Whitey" picked up a catch that scaled 600 pounds, which he sold for $58. Ed Howard's 200 pounds of bass was another recent notable catch.

Last Sunday good fishing was the luck of the Napa slough No. 2 and Backdoor slough anglers. In the immediate vicinity of Wingo and also at the San Antone slough fishing holes results were rather meagre.

AT THE TRAPS.

Vernon Powder Puffs.—Despite the fact that charity shoots were held in different parts of Southern California last Sunday and drew a large number of Los Angeles shooters to the fields and hills, the Christmas turkey shoot and the W. H. Wilshire trap shoot competition staged at the Vernon Gun Club was attended by thirty-two contestants.

High gun honors in the Wilshire contest went to Frank Mellus with a score of 48 out of 50. This was Frank's first trip to the Vernon traps and he didn't go away empty-handed. He never does, for that matter; he is too good a shot, and is Heine Pfirrmann's most bitter rival in the blue rock world.

The contenders entered in the turkey competition were put in squads of five with a turkey to each squad. Each event consisted of 15 targets and were shot at distance handicaps. A great deal of interest was shown and most every one was well pleased, especially those who copped a turkey.

Birds were won by George Oliver, Mrs. C. E. Groat, Harry Cline, Fred Grewell, Bill Dougherty, R. L. Hall, Dr. Packard, Stanton Bruner, C. White, Frank Mellus, Lou Mellus and T. P. Smith. The scores were as follows:

Wilshire Trophy—

	Yds.	Shot.	Bke.
R. L. Hall	19	50	44
W. Pugh	18	50	43
W. Hoyt	18	50	45
C. S. White	17	50	45
W. C. Dougherty	16	50	45
Fred Grewell	17	50	43
H. Cline	18	50	39
S. A. Bruner	18	50	39
Dr. Packard	19	50	44
J. Dierdoff	18	50	44
T. P. Smith	18	50	41
C. D. Hagerman	18	50	43
George Melford	17	50	40
Fred Mills	18	50	47
Frank Mellus	19	50	48
Lou Mellus	19	50	46
O. Evans	18	50	39

Turkey shoot scores—

R. L. Hall, shot at 125, broke 107, George Oliver 95—73, S. W. Trout 25—21, Wm. Pugh 65—58, H. Hoyt 85—65, C. White 150—110, W. Dougherty 95—71, M. R. Kees 85—66, Geo. Toussing 25—15, C. Shipley 70—36, Dr. J. E. Davis 70—39, Fred Grewell 110—91, Van Nest 55—33, George Cline 100—83, Harry Cline 95—73, C. E. Groat 85—65, S. A. Bruner 100—84, Dr. Packard 85—76, J. Dierdoff 45—38, T. P. Smith 30—27, Mrs. Groat 30—25, Fessler 60—47, C. D. Hagerman 45—38, Coffman 40—22, R. Stock-24, well 30—21, Geo. Melford 70—50, Frank Mellus 50—44, Lou Mellus 25—24, O. A. Evans 25—22, Tuckett 25—18, Geo. Middleton 25—18.

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Venice Traps—Frank Mellus must have broken all records in getting to Venice, or from Venice to Los Angeles, it has not been completely learned yet just where and how. But, anyhow, he was also high gun at the turkey shoot staged by Fred Teeple at the Los Angeles Gun Club with a score of 91 broken targets out of 100 thrown.

Brother Lou was second high gun with 89 out of the century. Lou made a high run of 25 straight. The scores are as follows, at 100 birds:

Frank Mellus 91, Lou Mellus 89, Tuckett 86, U. M. C. Clement 84, Nichols 80, Middleton 79, Parker 74, Battle 61.

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Winter Trap Shoots.—The Spokane Gun Club will begin a series of weekly shoots, commencing January 2. The main prize hung up will be a diamond trophy donated by Clark and Bevan of Spokane. Lady shooters will also compete for three fine prizes. Mrs. Charles A. O'Conner is captain of the woman's team.

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Some Chicago Scores.—Sam Huntley recently lined 'em out for 171 straight at the Lincoln Gun Club grounds in Chicago. In the 100 bird event he broke straight. Hugh Poston hung up 93 out of the 100. Huntley and Poston both broke straight in the 25 bird event.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

Sidelights on Professional Matters

REDUCINE PROSPERS IN NEW HOME.

There was a time not many years ago when Reducine, Ireland's premier remedy for lame, sore, worn and blemished horses, was imported to this country and marketed as best it could be; then came the time when it was prepared in a small way in New York city, followed a few months later by the removal of the American plant to a brand new home in Otsego, Michigan, and here the famous "humane treatment" has flourished amazingly. Never since it first came into general use on this side of the Atlantic has its efficacy been questioned among knowing horsemen, and with many of them the firing pin has been entirely banished since they became fully aware of the possibilities presented by the use of Reducine. Bowed tendons, curbs, thoroughpins and like afflictions to which the horse is heir and for the cure of which the iron was once considered indispensable, all yield to treatment by Reducine, as do any number of other equine afflictions, as well as many disorders of the human system. Around house or barn it will be found of inestimable value, and once used becomes a permanent member of the household kit for first—and continued—aid to the injured.

The new home of Reducine is complete in every way for its manufacture under most economical and efficient conditions, the plant at Otsego, where the facilities afforded by nature are of the best and purest, is a model among its kind, and horsemen and their friends from all parts of the world are invited to pay it a visit when in that portion of the country. In the meantime the Reducine booklet should should be in the hands of each and every one of them and is free for the asking. Mention the Breeder and Sportsman when you write for it.

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How many horses there are in the world today who owe their soundness, either by prevention or cure, to the fact that their owners had the "savvy" to adopt the use of Gombault's Caustic Balsam as soon as their troubles began to manifest their existence. For many years this famous French compound has been imported and distributed in the United States and Canada by the Lawrence-Williams Company of Cleveland and Toronto, and so thoroughly has it been disseminated throughout the lands named that there is scarce a country store in a community where livestock is produced in any quantity at all that does not carry at least a few bottles of it always in stock. Its simplicity of application, its economy, its efficacy and the ease with which it may be obtained have combined to place it foremost among the great veterinary remedies of the world. Only common sense and adherence to the instructions are required for its successful application to any cases of founder, thrush, diphtheria, ringbone, pinkeye, sweeney, spavin, quarter cracks, scratches, poll evil, splint, capped hock, strained tendon or kindred ailments, and it is an accepted fact that users of Gombault's have the least of veterinary bills to pay. Ask your dealer for it, if you are one of the few who have yet to learn of its good qualities.

TWENTY-ONE YEARS OF SUCCESS

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Buy a bottle against the time when you may need it, and when you go to use it, take this tip from one who has been there before: "Don't forget the paddle."

PRIZE AWARD FOR NAMING NEW MODEL.

The $10.00 prize for the best name for the new Model 80 jogging cart of the Houghton Sulky Co. has been split between J. C. Moreland of Osage, Ia., and Harry J. Snyder of Oregon, Ill., who both suggested the name which was selected, namely, "The Masterpiece."

The Houghton Sulky Co. asked us to thank its hundreds of friends who sent in suggestions.

"The Masterpiece" is the name that strikes a responsive chord, because the Model 80 cart is so well "hung" and all masterpieces are supposed to be well "hung."

There is quite a story which goes with the construction of The Masterpiece. Last spring a prominent trainer who was not one of the regular Houghton boosters came to the factory of the Houghton Sulky Co. and told Mr. Houghton that he wanted to have a special jogging cart constructed along the lines of the Houghton Model 8, but with certain improvements incorporated.

The Houghton Sulky Co. turned out such a cart and it proved so satisfactory that horsemen everywhere began to talk about it, and Mr. Houghton decided that it would be a good stroke of business to use the cart as his 1916 model.

The owner of the cart was therefore requested to send it back to the factory and it was carefully investigated and found to be without a flaw. The owner was asked if he could suggest any further improvements, and the reply was, "Aabsolutely none. The cart is perfect." The cart was therefore used as a model for making up a sufficient supply for 1916. It was repainted and returned to the owner in just as good condition as when it first left the shop although it has had seven months' hard usage.

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If the reader is interested in having further particulars and full specifications of the Masterpiece cart, he is invited to drop a postal to the Houghton Sulky Co., 320 Lincoln Ave., Marion, O., and ask for booklet No. 206.

BIG DIFFERENCE, SMALL COST.

If you are the owner of a good horse that is the victim of some slight unsoundness, or some more disturbing affliction which is yet not uncurable, stop and ask yourself this question: "How much more would he be worth to me if he was a sound horse?" Have you considered it? There is no doubt but that he would be worth anywhere from fifty to five hundred more, is there? That being so, you are fully assured that he is worth many times the five dollars that would be the cost of a bottle of Save the Horse—and that is the cost that stands between his present condition and one of useful soundness. Stop once more and think again, this time concerning how foolish it is to have an unsound horse on your hands, especially if he is young and his ailments have not developed to a point of permanency, which is not probable. The most stubborn and aggravated cases yield successfully to the ministrations of Save the Horse, and so confident are the manufacturers that it will do all that is claimed for it that it is sold under a binding contract guaranteeing a cure or your money back for such unsoundnesses as bone and bog spavin, thoroughpin, ringbone (except low cases), curb, splint, capped hock, wind puff, shoe boil, injured tendons and other ailments producing lameness. Write to the manufacturers for literature and testimonials from satisfied customers. It is made by the Troy Chemical Company, Binghamton, New York, and is distributed on the Pacific coast by D. E. Newell, 80 Bayo Vista Avenue, Oakland. Your druggist has it.

Do you remember that good trotter All Style 2:10 that was exported to Australia, and that whirlwind pacer Dan Logan 2:07¼? You most certainly do, and you know that they are siring good colts, things to win races like the sires did. I. F. Eaton of Chico is offering three youngsters by them for sale and it will pay you to write and find out all particulars concerning them. Two are by All Style from a Dr Hicks mare, and the other is by the Logan horse, dam by Arthur Wilkes.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF USEFULNESS.

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If you are one of the very few horsemen not familiar with Absorbine, write to the manufacturer, W. F. Young, P. D. F., 54 Temple St., Springfield, Mass., and ask for his free booklet "How to Remove Blemishes." You will find it well worth having.

Adolph Ottinger of this city usually wins his full share of the local matinee races and the same horses in the hands of his trainer get a nice portion of the money out on the circuit. Business will interfere with Mr. Ottinger's racing plans for the coming season, and to avoid unpleasant conflict he is selling the three good performers that were winners for him during the past season—the trotting mares Agnes Carter 2:15¾ and Frances S., matinee record 2:11½, and the pacing gelding Dick W. 2:06¼, eligible by time allowance to the 2:08 class. There are no better buys in California for the money asked, and if you are a racing man you should investigate them.

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Elmer B. Cole, Franklin, N. Y., September 16th, 1915, writes—Some time ago I purchased a bottle of Save-The-Horse for the treatment of contracted foot, said to be Navicular Disease. It made the horse entirely sound.

E. T. Bentley, Plainfield, Wis.—Your Spavin Remedy has taken the swelled leg down to normal size, and has removed two small round puffs.

O. C. Williams, R. F. D. Carrier, Modesto, Ill., Nov. 7, '15, writes: I bought a bottle three years ago for a bad Bone Spavin. He went lame all the time before using Save-The-Horse. After the first week he has never taken a lame step. I work him to big loads through mud, snow drifts and rough frozen ground. Your remedy is all you claim for it.

C. H. Bates, Brook Farm Herd, Breeder of Holstein-Friesian Cattle, Morris Plains, N. J., R. D., October 4th, 1915, writes—Enclosed find check, for which send me a bottle of Save-The-Horse with guarantee to cure ringbone, or lameness between the hoof and ankle. About twelve years ago I used your Save-The-Horse on a saddle mare that threw ner tendon out. I got a complete cure and rode the mare for eight years afterwards, and she stayed all right. This is the reason for sending for another bottle. Kindly send me your Save-The Horse BOOK.

Dr. O. T. Atwell, Zanesville, Ohio, September 4th, 1915, writes—Having used your Save-The-Horse on my driving horse with remarkable result in removing a pastern join enlargement, I naturally turn to you when in trouble again, etc. I wish your advice and a remedy for him; please mail or express same and I shall send you the price by return mail.

John E. Lingo & Son, Spar Makers, Flag Poles, Derricks, Ship & Yacht Spars. Yard & Office Foot of Elm Street, Camden, N. J., August 18th, 1915—Troy Chemical Co., Binghamton, N. Y.—Gentlemen—The mare, Troublesome, was very lame in the hip about three years ago and one bottle put her to the races again in less than two weeks. She has never taken a lame step since, and has done a lot of racing. I would appreciate very much your opinion on another case,—etc.

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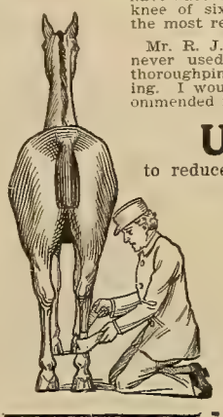
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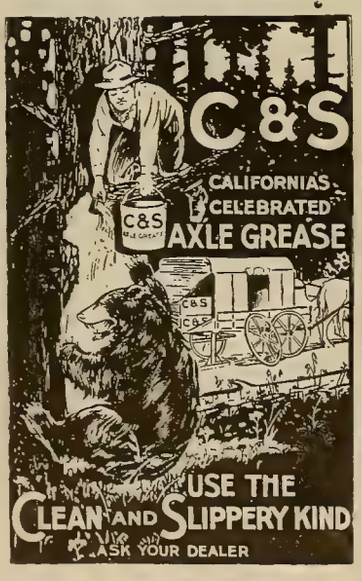
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Entries Close February 1, 1916

$1600 for Trotting Foals. — **$1100 for Pacing Foals**

$150 to Nominators of Dams of Winners — **$100 to Owners of Stallions**

$1000 for Three-Year-Old Trotters.
50 to the Nominator of the Dam on whose Original Entry is named the Winner of Three-Year-Old Trot.
600 for Two-Year-Old Trotters.
25 to the Nominator of the Dam on whose Original Entry is named the Winner of Two-Year-Old Trot.
50 to Owner of Stallion, Sire of Winner of Three-Year-Old Trot when Mare was bred.

$700 for Three-Year-Old Pacers.
50 to the Nominator of the Dam on whose Original Entry is named the Winner of Three-Year-Old Pace.
400 for Two-Year-Old Pacers.
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FIRST PRIZE, $35; SECOND PRIZE, $15.

The Above Prizes will be Paid on February 20th, 1916

ENTRANCE AND PAYMENTS—$2 to nominate mare on February 1, 1916; when name, color, description of mare and stallion bred to must be given; $5 August 1, 1916; $10 on Yearlings January 1, 1917; $10 on Two-Year-Olds January 1, 1918; $10 on Three-Year-Olds January 1, 1919.

STARTING PAYMENTS.—$25 to start in the Two-Year-Old Pace; $35 to start in the Two-Year-Old Trot; $35 to start in the Three-Year-Old Pace; $50 to start in the Three-Year-Old Trot. All Starting Payments to be made ten days before the first day of the meeting at which the race is to take place.

Nominators must designate when making payments to start whether the horse entered is a Trotter or Pacer.

Colts that start at Two Years Old are not barred from starting again in the Three-Year-Old Divisions.

CONDITIONS:

The races for Two-Year-Olds will be mile heats, 2 in 3, not to exceed three heats, and if not decided in two heats, will be finished at the end of the third heat and money divided according to rank in the summary; and for Three-Year-Olds—three heats, money divided 25 per cent to the first heat, 25 per cent to the second heat, 25 per cent to the third heat, and 25 per cent to the race according to rank in the summary. Money in each division 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. Should two or more horses be tied for first place at the completion of the third heat, such horses only shall contest in a fourth heat and money divided according to rank in the summary at the termination of that heat. Distance for Two-Year-Olds, 150 yards; for Three-Year-Olds, 100 yards. A horse having won the first two heats and drawn or distanced in the third heat shall not lose position in the summary.

If a mare proves barren or slips or has a dead foal or twins; or if either the mare or foal dies before January 1, 1917, her nominator may sell or transfer his nomination or substitute another mare or foal, regardless of ownership; but there will be no return of a payment, nor will any entry be liable for more than amount paid in or contracted for. In entries, the name, color and pedigree of mare must be given; also the name of the horse to which she was bred in 1915.

Entries must be accompanied by entrance fee.

Nominators liable only for amounts paid in. Failure to make any payment forfeits all previous payments. This Association is liable for $3000, the amount of the guarantee, only.

Hopples will be barred in trotting and pacing divisions.

Right reserved to declare off or reopen these Stakes in case the number of entries received is not satisfactory to the Board of Directors.

Money divided in each division of the Stake 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. There will be no more moneys in each division or heat than there are starters.

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Entries to Close January 1, 1916

Money Divided as Follows:

TROTTING DIVISION

$75 to Nominator of Dam of Winner in Summary of Race

$2125 Three-Year-Old Trotters

PACING DIVISION

$75 to Nominator of Dam of Winner in Summary of Race

$1725 Three-Year-Old Pacers

ENTRANCE AND PAYMENTS—$2 to nominate mare on January 1, 1916, when name, color, breeding of mare and stallion bred to must be given; $5 July 1, 1916; $5 December 1, 1916; $10 on yearlings February 1, 1917; $10 on two-year-olds February 1, 1918; $10 on three-year-olds February 1, 1919.

STARTING PAYMENTS—$50 to start in pacing division; $75 to start in trotting division. All starting payments to be made ten days before the first day of the State Fair at which the race is to take place.

Nominators must designate when making payments to start whether the horse entered is a Trotter or Pacer.

CONDITIONS

The race in each division will be for three heats; if no horse wins two of the three heats a fourth heat must be raced by the heat winners to decide the winner of the race; all other horses to go to the barn.

Trotting Division heat purses $650. Total purse $2,125.

Pacing Division heat purses $550. Total purse $1,725.

Heat purses divided 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent; the extra $175 in the trotting division and the extra $75 in the pacing division goes to the winner of two heats.

Distance 100 yards. A distanced horse shall be entitled to money already won.

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Entry must be accompanied by the entrance fee.

Nominators are liable for amounts paid in. Failure to make any payment forfeits all previous payments. This Association is liable for $4,000, the amount of this guarantee only.

Hobbles will be barred in trotting and pacing divisions.

Right reserved to declare off or reopen these Stakes in case the number of entries received is not satisfactory to the Board of Directors.

There will be no more moneys in each division or heat than there are starters. No horse shall receive more than one money in each heat.

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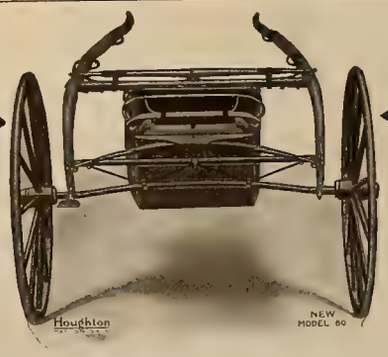
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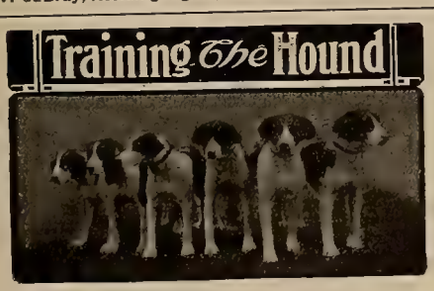
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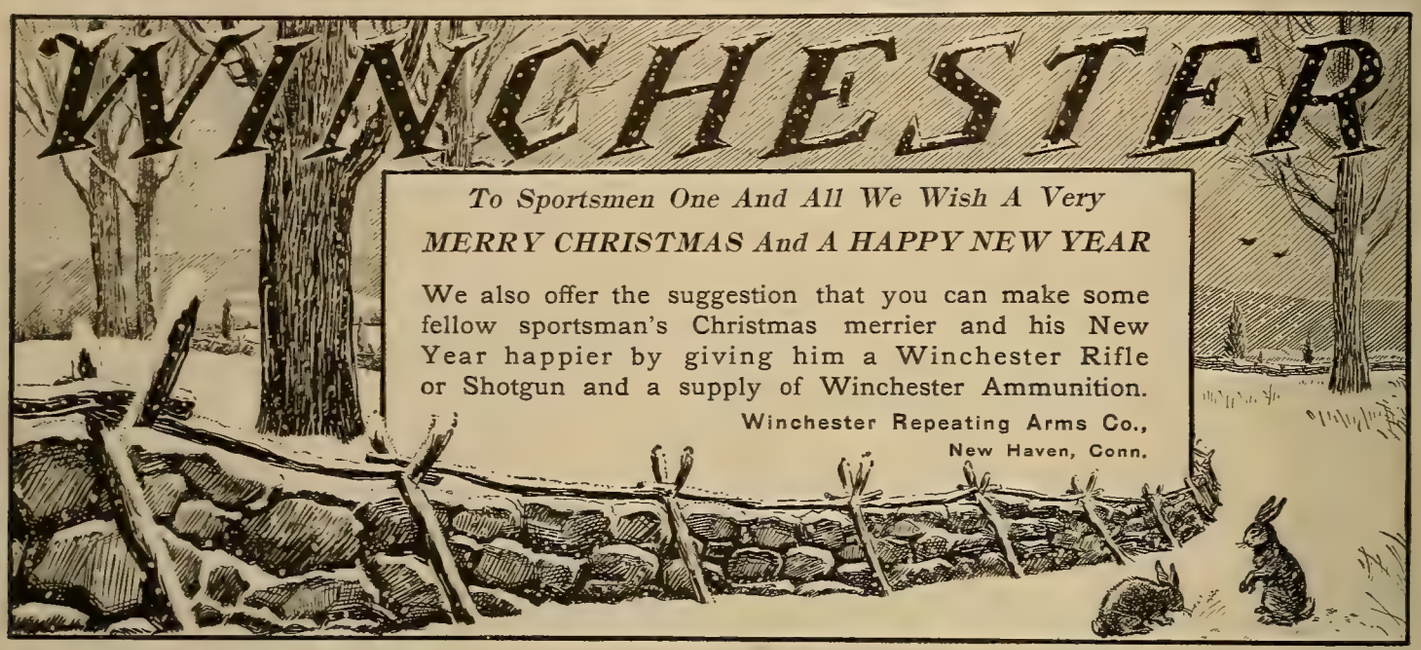
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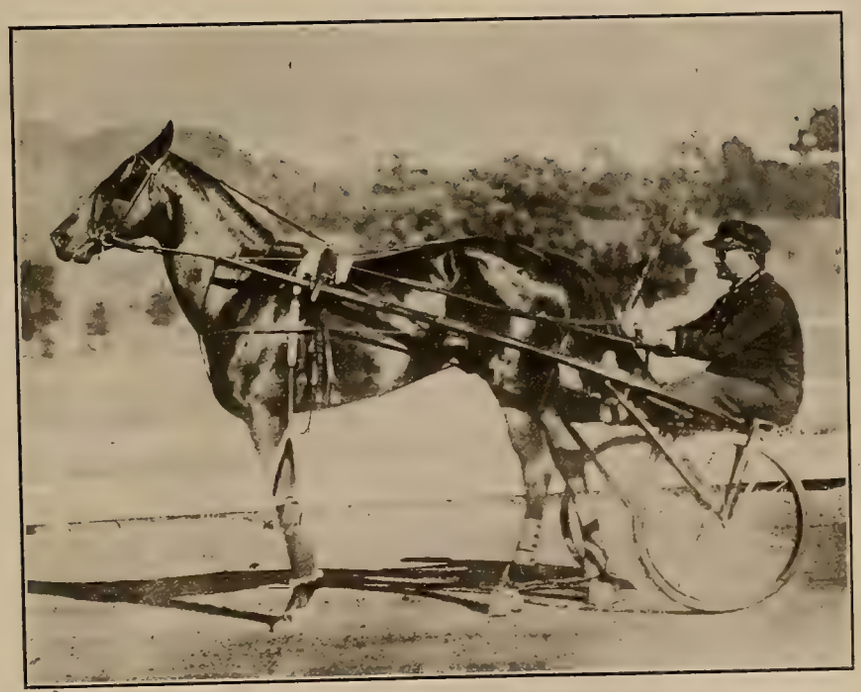
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STARTING PAYMENTS—$50 to start in pacing division; $75 to start in trotting division. All starting payments to be made ten days before the first day of the State Fair at which the race is to take place.

Nominators must designate when making payments to start whether the horse entered is a Trotter or Pacer.

CONDITIONS

The race in each division will be for three heats; if no horse wins two of the three heats a fourth heat must be raced by the heat winners to decide the winner of the race; all other horses to go to the barn.

Trotting Division heat purses $650. Total purse $2,125.

Pacing Division heat purses $550. Total purse $1,725.

Heat purses divided 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent; the extra $175 in the trotting division and the extra $75 in the pacing division goes to the winner of two heats.

Distance 100 yards. A distanced horse shall be entitled to money already won.

If a mare proves barren or slips or has a dead foal or twins, or if either the mare or the foal dies before December 1, 1916, her Nominator may sell or transfer his nomination or substitute another mare or foal, regardless of ownership; but there will be no return of a payment nor will any entry be liable for more than the amount paid in. In nominating, the name, color and pedigree of mare must be given; also the name of the horse to which she was bred in 1915.

Entry must be accompanied by the entrance fee.

Nominators are liable for amounts paid in. Failure to make any payment forfeits all previous payments. This Association is liable for $4,000, the amount of this guarantee only.

Hobbles will be barred in trotting and pacing divisions.

Right reserved to declare off or reopen these Stakes in case the number of entries received is not satisfactory to the Board of Directors.

There will be no more moneys in each division or heat than there are starters. No horse shall receive more than one money in each heat.

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$1600 for Trotting Foals,	$1100 for Pacing Foals
$150 to Nominators of Dams of Winners	$100 to Owners of Stallions

$1000 for Three-Year-Old Trotters.
50 to the Nominator of the Dam on whose Original Entry is named the Winner of Three-Year-Old Trot.
600 for Two-Year-Old Trotters.
25 to the Nominator of the Dam on whose Original Entry is named the Winner of Two-Year-Old Trot.
50 to Owner of Stallion, Sire of Winner of Three-Year-Old Trot when Mare was bred.

$700 for Three-Year-Old Pacers.
50 to the Nominator of the Dam on whose Original Entry is named the Winner of Three-Year-Old Pace.
400 for Two-Year-Old Pacers.
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STARTING PAYMENTS.—$25 to start in the Two-Year-Old Pace; $35 to start in the Two-Year-Old Trot; $35 to start in the Three-Year-Old Pace; $50 to start in the Three-Year-Old Trot. All Starting Payments to be made ten days before the first day of the meeting at which the race is to take place.

Nominators must designate when making payments to start whether the horse entered is a Trotter or Pacer.

Colts that start at Two Years Old are not barred from starting again in the Three-Year-Old Divisions.

CONDITIONS:

The races for Two-Year-Olds will be mile heats, 2 in 3, not to exceed three heats, and if not decided in two heats, will be finished at the end of the third heat and money divided according to rank in the summary; and for Three-Year-Olds—three heats, money divided 25 per cent to the first heat, 25 per cent to the second heat, 25 per cent to the third heat, and 25 per cent to the race according to rank in the summary. Money in each division 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. Should two or more horses be tied for first place at the completion of the third heat, such horses only shall contest in a fourth heat and money divided according to rank in the summary at the termination of that heat. A horse having won the first two heats and drawn or distanced in the third heat shall not lose position in the summary. Distance for Two-Year-Olds, 150 yards; for Three-Year-Olds, 100 yards.

If a mare proves barren or slips or has a dead foal or twins; or if either the mare or foal dies before January 1, 1917, her nominator may sell or transfer his nomination or substitute another mare or foal, regardless of ownership; but there will be no return of a payment, nor will any entry be liable for more than amount paid in or contracted for. In entries, the name, color and pedigree of mare must be given; also the name of the horse to which she was bred in 1915.

Entries must be accompanied by entrance fee.

Nominators liable only for amounts paid in. Failure to make any payment forfeits all previous payments. This Association is liable for $3000, the amount of the guarantee, only.

Hopples will be barred in trotting and pacing divisions.

Right reserved to declare off or reopen these Stakes in case the number of entries received is not satisfactory to the Board of Directors.

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LAST CALL FOR STATE FAIR FUTURITY.

Today is the date of closing for entries to the State Fair Futurity No. Eight for foals of mares bred in 1915 to trot and pace as three-year-olds in 1919. Under the rules of the National Trotting Association, however, as tomorrow is Sunday and hence a holiday, entries bearing postmark prior to noon next Monday, January third, will be legal, so that if you have not already made your entries for this event you have ample time to fill out the blanks tomorrow and get them mailed in proper shape to comply with the letter of the law governing the stake. We do not know of any better way for a horseman to start the new year than by making a futurity nomination—or a number of them—so do the thing up right while you are about it and name every mare that you own that shows the slightest sign of being with foal.

The conditions of this stake were reviewed at length in a recent issue of this paper and will be found extended on a business page of this issue, but just as a memory jogger and to acquaint you with its more salient features we call your attention to the following points:

The stake is made for a guaranteed sum of four thousand dollars and is strictly a three-year-old event, the two-year-old division having been discontinued for the last number or so of this series, the plan seeming to have met with the approval of breeders pretty generally. Two thousand two hundred dollars will be devoted to the trotters, of which seventy-five thousand dollars will be paid to the nominator of the winner according to the standing in the summary, with a purse of six hundred and fifty dollars divided into the customary four moneys on each heat, the winner in the summary being awarded the additional one hundred and seventy-five dollars. In the pacing division, which is for a total sum of eighteen hundred dollars, seventy-five will be awarded the nominator of the dam of the winner, while the heat purses will be five hundred and fifty dollars each, leaving an extra seventy-five for the winner. This division of the purse contributes to racing to win, which means more interest for the spectators, while prohibiting any long drawn contests which would be injurious to colts of that tender age. Unless three heat winners develop in the first three times out, the race will end at that point, and cannot possibly go more than four heats to a decision, as heat-winners only will be the order after the third round. The winner of the race draws a slightly larger portion of the purse than is customary under the old system, but this is a step in the right direction, as he is the one and only horse to be penalized with a record and should profit from the race to an accordingly greater proportion. Racing to win, which means a great advance in the drawing power of harness racing from the standpoint of the public, should be encouraged by making winning more nearly worth while, as no matter how great the contest, it is the winner that has really held the crowd. It is an old saying that "nobody remembers the name of the second horse in the Derby," and there is a lot of truth in it, too. Try it on yourself, for instance. You can name a number of horses that have won the M. and M. and other great stakes, but we will lay you a small bet on our own accord that you cannot recall the names of the horses that finished second in those same events.

The initial cost of making nomination to the stake is very moderate and the conditions throughout have been drawn with the express purpose of making the event most attractive to breeders. The customary substitution clause prevails, and if you have not already made your entries we suggest that you turn to the published conditions and sit down and attend to the same at once. Failure to provide your foals with futurity nominations may prove a matter of considerable regret to you in future years, especially when its opportunities may be safeguarded at a cost so trifling as is the case in the present instance.

TO PROTECT OWNERS OF PUREBRED LIVESTOCK.

At the recent annual meeting of the National Society of Record Associations which was held on November 27 at the Hotel LaSalle, Chicago, one of the most important topics up for consideration was the outbreak of foot and mouth disease, from which, by the grace of vigilance and the utmost of good fortune the breeders of the Pacific Coast section have escaped scot free. The outbreak was discussed in all its phases, and after sending a memorial to Governor Dunne of Illinois urging prompt legislation to provide for the overdue obligations of that commonwealth to its citizens who have had their herds destroyed, the members in attendance turned their attention to a consideration of the plight in which breeders of purebred herds find themselves, the present systems of reimbursement for slaughtered cattle taking no further account of the situation than that a cow is a cow, working a manifest injustice upon the man who sees his almost priceless animals "scragged" on a scrub basis. The methods of instituting and maintaining quarantine and making restitution for cattle killed lead to the adoption of the following resolutions, which were at once transmitted to every member of the House and Senate at the nation's capital:

Whereas, county quarantines have been imposed by Federal authorities, and followed by State officials in fighting foot and mouth disease; and

Whereas, such quarantines are palpably inadequate where the disease is located within a short distance of the county line and oppressively unjust in such instances to farmers located on the other side of the county, twenty or thirty miles away;

Therefore Resolved, that the National Society of Record Associations vigorously opposes such quarantines and demands a radius quarantine that shall be absolute and of unquestioned efficiency of such distances as the authorities deem necessary, which alone is protective in the highest degree and at the same time just, and that we also favor the marketing for immediate slaughter of sound and healthy stock where conditions warrant from within the radius, subject to proper inspection.

Whereas, neither the Nation nor the State can legally take for public good the property of a loyal citizen without adequate compensation, either in the exercise of its powers of eminent domain or its police powers; and

Whereas, the Federal Department of Agriculture believes it has no authority in the statute to pay for pure bred stock slaughtered in disease eradication higher prices than it pays for ordinary market stock kept for meat or milk purposes; and

Whereas, some states have set an arbitrary maximum limit to the value that appraisers in such cases may fix for pure bred stock;

Therefore Resolved, that the National Society of Record Associations demands Federal and State legislation which will allow appraisers to value pure bred stock at its reasonable breeding value, without arbitrary limitation, when slaughtered on account of foot and mouth disease. We commend as a model for such legislation the New York statute which provides that in the event that either party to the appraisement is dissatisfied appeal may be taken to the proper court, without delaying slaughter, where the value of the property of a citizen taken for public use is finally fixed in accordance with the rule of law and court practice.

Resolved, that the National Society of Record Associations appeals to Congress to amend the statute which requires that the Chief of the Bureau of Animal Industry shall be a veterinary surgeon by eliminating that provision, in order that a man of business training, familiar with the production and marketing of live stock, may be eligible to such position.

Resolved, that it is the sense of the National Society of Record Associations that the question of whether pure bred herds exposed to foot and mouth disease shall be slaughtered in all instances or not, should be determined on the merits of each individual case.

In the matter of the election of officers for the ensuing year, M. D. Munn, president of the American Jersey Cattle Club, was nominated for president; W. Reid Carpenter, president of the American Shorthorn Breeders' Association, was nominated vice-president, and Wayne Dinsmore, secretary of the Percheron Society of America, who has served the record association as secretary since its inception, was nominated to succeed himself in that office, all three gentlemen being declared elected unanimously.

MONGREL STALLIONS DECREASING IN NUMBERS.

One of the most pleasing features to be noted in the fourth annual report of the California Stallion Registration Board, which has just lately come to hand from the office of Secretary Charles W. Paine, is that portion which shows the steady decrease of the number of mongrel stallions licensed since the law became operative in 1912. In that season there were 766 of these undesirable citizens listed with the registration board; in 1913 the number had fallen to 707, and in the following year only 547 were licensed under this uncomplimentary description. By this time breeders had begun to fight shy of this kind of animal in earnest, with the result that the returns for 1915 showed the greatest falling off of any season, the number of animals described as mongrels having dropped to 350—scarcely one-half as many as infested the farms of the state at the time the law was put into effect. The value of the law in this respect alone is incalculable, and in the course of a very few years the average value of the horses in California will show an increase directly traceable to the beneficent workings of the stallion registration law.

Of stallions of all classes, licenses for the season of 1915 were taken out for 1,336, while the permits for jacks swelled the number of licensed sires to a total of 1,631, a decrease of 32 from the totals of the preceding year. The most popular horse in the state, as measured by the number of stallions of the various families for which licenses were issued, is the Percheron, with 437 representatives. Next in order come the Standard-bred Trotter with 186, the Belgian with 143, the Shire with 72, the French Draft with 46, the German Coach with 32, the Clydesdale with 22, the Thoroughbred with 13, the Saddler and the French Coach with 10 each and the Arab, the Hackney, the Non-standard, the Norman and the Suffolk with from one to four each. Of the 295 jacks, 114 are purebred, 6 are grades and the remaining 175 are mongrels, so that there is still room for a great deal of improvement in their ranks. The stallions of the various families are well distributed throughout the state, with the counties of San Joaquin, Fresno and Alameda being the leading centers of breeding operations.

The report is the most comprehensive and elaborate of any yet made by the registration board, showing that Secretary Paine and his associates are fully alive to the importance of the work in hand. The stallion registration law, as revised and amended by the last session of the legislature, appears in full and in addition to the statistical tables there is much interesting and important supplementary matter. The states in which stallion registration laws are operative are shown, as well as a summary of the various foreign breeds which are recognized by our government as established families of pure lineage, with illustrations of the certificates issued by the parent record associations which are recognized by the local board. Not the least important, by any means, is that portion of the publication devoted to a verbal and pictorial description of a number of the various diseases enumerated in the law as contributory to unsoundness.

SECOND ANNUAL DRAFTER SALE.

Secretary E. W. Westgate of the California Draft Horse Breeders' Association has announced that the second annual sale of pure bred draft horses will be held by that body on Wednesday, February second, at the University Farm at Davis, thus offering to local breeders most exceptional opportunities of exchanging stallions which would have a new and enhanced value in a change of location, and of recruiting the best obtainable young mares and fillies for their brood mare bands. Last year the first of these sales was held at Davis under the auspices of the association, and proved a success in every way. As the sale becomes more widely known as a fixture of the season and as a consequence attracts patronage from a much wider range of territory, its value to the draft horse breeding interests of California will become just so much the greater. Detailed information concerning the proposed sale will be forthcoming at an early date, and in the meantime any breeders who will probably have consignments to make to the same are advised to begin getting the horses in shape and also to get into touch with Secretary Westgate, whose home address is Rio Vista. "Condition" plays a large part in the prices paid for both mares and stallions.

Actions of the Parent Associations

During the earlier portion of the month of December the tribunals of both of the parent associations under whose jurisdiction the sport of trotting is conducted were in session as usual, straightening out the tangles that arise invariably during the course of a year's racing. No great amount of action of especial interest to western horsemen was taken by either body, the following excerpts from the detailed official reports about covering the ground as far as our readers are concerned:

The Board of Appeals of the American Trotting Association met at 10 o'clock a. m., Tuesday, December 7, at the Auditorium Hotel, pursuant to call, the following members being present: W. P. Ijams, Terre Haute, Indiana, President; Thos. H. Gill, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; J. C. Linneman, Lima, Ohio; W. H. Smollinger, Iron Mountain, Missouri; L. N. Brueggerhoff, Shreveport, Louisiana; Geo. R. King, Dallas, Texas, members of the Board, and W. H. Knight, Chicago, Illinois, Secretary.

No. 5671, Protested Money.

G. H. White, Malvern, Iowa, versus C. N. Clark, Winfield, Kansas, Bob Sebastian, Hemet, California, and b. h. "Hal McKinney."

Protested first money, 2:08 pace, Beatrice, Nebraska, June 24, 1915.

On June 24, 1915, the b. h. "Hal McKinney," by "Hal B.," started and won first money in the 2:08 pace, at Beatrice, Nebraska.

Protest was made against the eligibility of said horse to win in a 2:08 pacing race on account of a winning performance at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on or about September 30, 1914, the time of said performance being recorded as 2:06¾.

The money was withheld by the member pending investigation, but later on, on or about July 7, 1915, at West Point, Nebraska, the money was paid over to the owner or agent of the horse "Hal McKinney" on the authority of a telegram from I. S. Mahan, Secretary of the member at Oklahoma City, stating:

"Record by 'Hal McKinney' on our track last year exhibition only, message sent G. H. White, Kearney, Nebraska, error. Letter follows."

The protestant, however, still insisted that a money consideration was attached to the performances and filed program and advertisements apparently showing this to be the case.

Further inquiries were made from the Secretary of the member at Oklahoma City and after looking into the case further, Secretary I. S. Mahan wrote under date of August 23 that he had taken up the matter with the Superintendent of Speed for 1914, who writes as follows:

"Referring to the exhibition of the horse 'Hal McKinney' last year, beg to say we offered this horse a certain purse to give us an exhibition, and a certain amount added if he would reduce the track record. In addition to this we paid some runner to accompany him in the exhibition. I believe this is the sum and substance of the contract.

"FINAL SUMMARY.

"Double Team Race—Pacing:
"Hal McKinney and Wm. Knight.... 2 1 3
Paid $100.

"Free-for-All Pace—One heat:
"Hal McKinney, first. Paid $55."

With this evidence on file and as there is no dispute as to the time of the heat won by "Hal McKinney" in the free-for-all pace, for a consideration of $55, namely, 2:06¾, it is evident that under the rules of The American Trotting Association the b. h. "Hal McKinney" obtained a winning record of 2:06¾ at Oklahoma City, on September 30, 1914, and hence was ineligible to compete in the 2:08 pacing class at Beatrice, Nebraska, on June 24, 1915.

Ordered, that the protest be sustained and Bob Sebastian of Hemet, California, and C. N. Clark of Winfield, Kansas, be ordered to return said winnings of the b. h. "Hal McKinney" for redistribution.

No. 5704, Demand for Identification and Protested Money.

W. C. Brown, Vancouver, British Columbia, versus A. E. Smith, Vancouver, British Columbia, and b. g. "John D."

Demand for identification and protested first money, 2:30 pace, Ladner, British Columbia, June 26, 1915.

During the meeting of the member at Ladner, British Columbia, June, 1915, a demand was made for the identification and eligibility of the b. g. "John D." to compete, said horse being entered in the 2:30 pacing race on June 26. The horse started under protest and won first money, which was retained by the member and subsequently deposited in the Trust Fund of The American Trotting Association.

The horse was owned and nominated by A. E. Smith of Vancouver, British, Columbia. The demand for identification was made by W. C. Brown of Vancouver, British Columbia, Vice-President of The American Trotting Association for British Columbia.

In response to the demand for identification, A. E. Smith states that he is unable to furnish any information as to his pedigree, record or previous history. That he is a dealer in horses and purchased said horse from Stanley O'Neil of Steveston, British Columbia, who owned the horse for two years, but did not discover that he had any speed. That Smith has owned the horse for one year and nine months and has known the horse for four years and a half. That he has tried to find out all about him, but has not succeeded.

It is clearly shown that the horse "John D." is not and cannot be sufficiently identified to comply with the rules of The American Trotting Association.

Ordered, that the winnings of the b. g. "John D." in the 2:30 pace at Ladner, British Columbia, June 26, 1915, be redistributed under the rules and that said horse be declared ineligible to compete in any race over tracks of members of The American Trotting Association until he is satisfactorily identified.

No. 5817, Application for an Order.

W. W. Fleming, Jr., Winnipeg, Manitoba, versus Dominion Exposition, Victoria, British Columbia.

Application for an order.

On March 1st, 1914, the British Columbia Agricultural Association of Victoria, British Columbia, made application for membership in The American Trotting Association for their meeting, advertised to take place September 21-26, 1914, under the title of The Dominion Exposition.

The application was accepted and the association duly placed on the roll of members.

Subsequently, on August 25, 1915, the said meeting was declared off, the official statement of the Secretary being, "The Fair and races have been canceled on account of the war."

This case is an application by W. W. Fleming, Jr., of Winnipeg, Manitoba, for return of moneys paid by him as entrance fees in the races advertised by said member, which were subsequently declared off: to the amount of $510, said entrance fees being paid as entries on

"Princewood," in 2:09 pace, 2 per cent...$30.00
"Creosote," in 2:24 trot, 2 per cent..... 20.00
"Tropic Dawn," in 2:18 trot, 2 per cent.. 40.00
"Creosote," in 2:18 trot, 1 per cent..... 20.00

And is accompanied by affidavit that the amounts so paid have never been returned. Also by the receipt issued by the member at Victoria, B. C., on May 15, 1914; also by the official list of Early Closing Events issued by the member prior to date of declaring off.

The member at Victoria, British Columbia, was notified, and responded through its Secretary, by stating that Mr. Fleming withdrew all his entries before the second payment was due. That they were also notified by the Circuit Secretary that his entries had been drawn from all points in the Circuit. That as the meeting in Victoria was not declared off until some time after the second payments were due, they considered that he had no claim for a refund, as he could not have paid any more whether the meeting would have been held or not.

The Board held that, under the rules of The American Trotting Association a member declaring off its meeting was not entitled to retain any moneys paid in to him for entrance fees or forfeits, and

Ordered, that the Dominion Exposition of Victoria, British Columbia, be ordered to return to W. W. Fleming, Jr., the amount paid in by him as entrance or forfeits, amounting to $110.

No. 5826, Protested Collection.

Protested collection.

J. G. Belt, Phoenix, Ariz., versus John B. Ryland, Tucson, Arizona, and s. g. "Naboth, Jr."

Protested winnings, 2:25 trot and 2:18 trot, Phoenix, Arizona, November 15, 1915, and demand for eligibility. Continued to the next meeting of the Board, May, 1916.

According to the By-Laws, a regular meeting of the Board of Review of the National Trotting Association was held at the Murray Hill Hotel, New York, N. Y., commencing Tuesday, December 7. The Board convened at 10 a. m. The following officers and members were present: President, P. P. Johnston, Lexington, Kentucky; Third Vice-President, John C. Welty, Canton, Ohio; Chairman of Eastern District, F. O. Beal, Bangor, Maine; Chairman of Atlantic District, Horatio N. Bain, Poughkeepsie, New York; Chairman of Central District, Carlos M. de Garmendia, Tuscarora, Md.; Chairman of Western District, A. P. Sandles, Ottawa, Ohio, and the Secretary.

When the Board was called to order by the President, the Secretary announced that there were vacancies on the District Boards in the Southern and Pacific Districts. On motion of Mr. Beal, seconded by Mr. Bain, J. O. Winston of Richmond, Virginia, was nominated and duly elected a member of the Southern District Board. Also after said election, he was by the President named as Chairman of the Southern District and when he arrived at 10:45 a. m. he took his place as a member of the Board of Review at the December meeting. On motion of Mr. Sandles, seconded by Mr. Welty, Thomas S. Griffith of Spokane, Washington, was nominated and duly elected a member of the Pacific District Board.

No. 6111?, Application for an Order.

J. B. Stetson, Salem, Oregon, vs. P. J. McCormick, 1401 10th Ave., Seattle, Washington, and b. m. "Flor Dora Z." Application for an order under Rule 1 Section 1.

The b. m. "Flora Dora Z." was not eligible to th 2:2[illegible] class at Canby, Oregon, and therefore could n acquire a record in that event. Case dismissed.

Proposed Changes in the Rules.

Acting as a Rule Committee, the Board of Revie considered the following changes in the rules a they now stand, and submit them to the consider tion of secretaries and other racing officials, bree ers, owners, trainers and all persons in any wa connected with the trotting industry, requesting tha they read them over carefully, decide whether the are good or bad, and make their ideas known prio to the meeting of the rule committee, which wi take place in the not far distant future. Horseme in general are sufficiently acquainted with the rule to identify those in which the changes are propose and then estimate the improvement effected, or th damage done, according to the personal viewpoin and this paper will be pleased to act as the mediu for expression of any suggestions on these matters

Rule 2, governing entries. Amended by addin the following Section:

An entry signed by an officer or representative c a member for another person is void.

Rule 2, Section 7, publishing entries. Amended b inserting the words "and state on same all claims fo time allowances" after the word "entries" in th third line.

Rule 2, governing entries. Further amended b adding the following Section:

An error in any entry may be corrected before th day of the race by payment of a fine of five dollars providing the identity of the horse is satisfactorily established.

Rule 5, defining eligibility. Amended by addin the following Section:

(Winrace in Postponed, Unfinished and Limite Races)

A winrace acquired in a postponed race shall bea the date on which the event was decided. In a unfinished race, the horse standing best in the sum mary shall receive first premium and acquire a win race, except when two or more stand equal. In tha event, none of them shall acquire a winrace in tha race. In races limited to a specified number of heat or dashes the horse standing best in the summar shall acquire a winrace.

Rule 5, Sections 5 and 6, time allowances. Struck out and the following substituted:

(Time Allowances.)

A horse with a winrace made on a mile track shal be allowed one second for each quarter of a mile o fraction thereof in the distance to be raced whe entering on a half-mile track, providing the class t which he would be eligible under this allowance i not slower than his winrace for the distance on a half-mile track. Other allowances may be granted i so stated in the published conditions but when offere for losing performances or for being behind th money in public races they shall be limited to th current year. A nominator is also required to clain time allowances when making entry and also stat in same why his horse is entitled to it. Should h fail to do so his nomination is not entitled to an time allowances in the event.

Rule 6, Section 1, naming horses. Amended by in serting the words "or in a matinee given by a mem ber" after the word "race" in the third line.

Rule 18, power of postponement. Amended by in serting the word "received" after the word "forfeits" in the seventeenth line and by inserting the words "who have horses on the grounds that are" after the word "nominator" in the eighteenth line, making the sentence read as follows: When an installment plan purse is declared off under this Rule, the entrance money and forfeits shall be divided equally among the nominators who have horses on the grounds that are eligible to start.

Rule 29, Section 2, barring hobbles on three-year-olds or under. Amended by inserting the words "of any kind or form" after the word "hopples" in the first line.

Rule 31, relative to heats and horses eligible to start. Amended by changing the first sentence to read as follows:

In heats best two in three, a horse not standing for money at the finish of the second heat shall not start in the third.

Rule 33, Section 1, time between heats. Changed to read as follows:

The time between heats for any distance up to and including a mile shall be twenty-five minutes; for any distance between one and two miles, thirty minutes; for any distance between two- and three-mile heats, thirty-five minutes and for any distance between three and four miles, forty minutes.

Rule 37, Section 1, distance flags. Changed to read as follows:

In all heat races on a mile track, eight yards for each furlong raced shall be a distance, except when eight or more start in a heat; then ten yards shall be a distance. In all heat races on a half-mile track, ten yards for each furlong raced shall be a distance, except when eight or more start; then twelve yards shall be a distance. When a specified series of races or heats are given for one entrance fee, the distance shall be the same as in heat races of the same length, except that it is waived in the last race or heat of the series except for fouls.

TABLE OF DISTANCES
(Mile Track)

		When under 8 start.	When 8 or more start.
Four Furlongs,	½ mile.....	32 yds.	40 yds.
Five "	.....	40 "	50 "
Six "	¾ mile.....	48 "	60 "
Seven "	.....	56 "	70 "
Eight "	1 mile.....	54 "	80 "
Nine "	.....	72 "	90 "
Ten "	1¼ miles.....	80 "	100 "

(Half-Mile Track)

		When under 8 start.	When 8 or more start.
Four Furlongs,	½ mile.....	40 yds.	48 yds.
Five "	.....	50 "	60 "
Six "	¾ mile.....	60 "	72 "
Seven "	.....	70 "	84 "
Eight "	1 mile.....	80 "	96 "
Nine "	.....	90 "	108 "
Ten "	1¼ miles.....	100 "	120 "

Rule 42, Section 2, public race and handicap. Changed to read as follows:

(Length of Race and Number of Heats)

The length of a race and the number of heats to be contested shall be stated in the published conditions. There shall be at least a furlong but not a fraction of one between the length of races; for example, five furlongs, six furlongs (three-quarters of a mile), eight furlongs (one mile), nine furlongs, etc. If no distance or number of heats is specified in the published conditions, all races for four-year-olds and over shall be mile heats, three in five; for two- and three-year-olds, mile heats, two in three, and yearlings a mile dash. In the event of a race being given for an irregular distance, for example, seven and one-half furlongs, the time made by the winner shall create a bar which shall stand as a winrace in determining eligibility at eight furlongs (a mile), the next regular distance. The time made at a regular distance is a record and for the winner of the event a winrace for that distance but it is not considered in determining eligibility for any other distance, and until winraces are established at the different distances, it is recommended that members designate their classes on a mile basis; e. g., a race at six furlongs for horses eligible to the 2:20 class.

Rule 43, Section 2, when time becomes a bar. Changed to read as follows:

Any public race at an irregular distance, for example seven and one-half furlongs, shall be regarded as irregular, and time made at any such distance shall create a bar at the next regular distance.

Rule 44, Section 2, when time is not a record or a bar. Amended by adding the following:

When admission is charged at the gate or grand stand if the money collected is divided among the horses competing, the time made shall stand as a record and winrace as in public races.

IF IT ISN'T HORSE SENSE IT'S HORSE TALK, ANYWAY.

"Don't be surprised because we horses can talk," said Miss Dinarth Dot of Washington, Ill., in her stall at Madison Square Garden, to the writer. "Didn't Black Beauty write a book?"

"I would advise you," Miss Dot continued, to ask us for facts if you want to write something about the show."

"I imagine we will see some pretty good form and some mighty fine action in the boxes," Mr. King Larigo, Miss Dot's father, interrupted. "I will be glad to look over the 1915 debutante class."

"How you talk, pop," Miss Dot exclaimed. "And you a grandfather! You see," she continued to the reporter, "Pop insists on looking at this event purely from the horse point of view. He seems to think he was brought here from Illinois just to look over the humans—and him the grand champion stallion of the Panama-Pacific exposition."

"My word!" exclaimed Lady Dilham of Washington, who was being manicured and shampooed by a whiskered maid. "My word! These creatures from the middle west are positively vulgar. Listen to that young girl talking to a newspaper reporter!"

"Rawther," agreed Mr. Irvington Model of Hamilton farm. "Beastly bad form these middle western horses show!"

"Listen to Mr. Irvington Model, pop," Miss Dot said loudly. "He thinks he's going to be the whole cheese at this show. Why, they do say he's got such a reputation that Lady Dilham is going to wear extra high shoes to get out of his class and into the class of Lady Seton. I guess you'll show 'em a few, pop!"

Mr. Larigo, who is only 41 inches tall, wagged his black head and winked at the reporter.

"I hope there's nothing but class in the boxes," he whispered. "I like style and pep."

"Huh? Whazzat, pop?" Miss Dot asked, pricking up her ears. "You wait and see when we get home if I don't tell ma how you've been carrying on. He rubs noses with all the pretty girls that call on us," she added to the reporter.

"You tell on me," Mr. Larigo retorted, "and I'll tell your mother how you can't keep your eyes off the silk hat class. Even if she is my daughter and a champion—she takes after me in that respect—I must say she's a poor judge of human flesh.

"They've all got to go some to beat my family," the old man continued proudly. "Gosh! We cleaned up at the Exposition. I had to beat one of my sons to be grand champion—Perfection Larigo's his name. We took 72 blue ribbons there and 2 grandchampionships."

"But they say that Mr. Irvington Model, who has James Cox Brady cutting coupons for him, is going to be THE horse at this show," called a young lady horse, who had ust arrived in her private moving van limousine. "They say he has been winning everything around these parts."

"You wait, my dear, until they see me and my family," Mr. Larigo replied, looking his horsiest for the pretty newcomer. "I can congratulate this Mr. Model that he is not in any competition with me or any of my family. And if he thinks he's going to be the whole thing in this show he's got to go some, believe me."

"Look here," Miss Dot said, showing the reporter her elbow. "See those scars? That's where I kick myself when I am stepping out for the judges. Your old Mr. Model—the conceited thing—couldn't step any higher than that, could he?"

"Now, people, don't be undignified," advised Mr. Earl Grey of Toronto, Canada, who won the Waldorf-Astoria cup last year for the best horse suited to gig. "You Hackney ponies are always getting into arguments."

"Well, you can't eat those things," Mr. Larigo rejoined, yawning, "I wish I was back on George A. Heyl's farm at home right now. This show business keeps me all tired out. I'm sick of it."

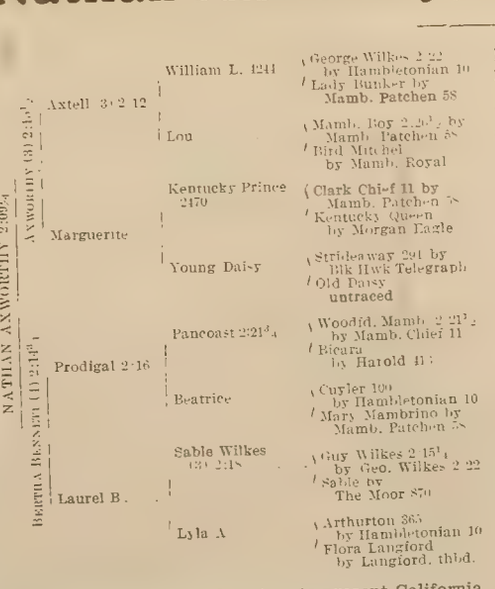
"So are we," said all the horses together.

P. S.—This interview was translated from horse language into English because it appears that very few persons—except Ernest Thompson-Seton and one or two other authors—are familiar with horse language.—N. Y. World.

Do not forget to make that nomination in the State Fair Futurity for foals of mares bred in 1915 not later than tomorrow, so that the envelope containing the same will bear a postmark prior to Monday noon.

Bear in mind that the Year Book for 1915, which will be Volume 31 of the series, will be forthcoming from the office of the A. T. R. A. early this month. It is the one and only "official" publication of the season's racing statistics and the price, which has been reduced to three dollars, puts it within the reach of every horseman and breeder.

Nathan Axworthy, Two-lap Champion



While it is our general custom to present California horses, or those from neighboring states, or chance eastern visitors upon our cover page, we take pleasure in departing from the usual routine long enough to introduce to our readers the five-year-old New Jersey trotter, Nathan Axworthy 2:09¼. Now before somebody jumps up and bawls us out for mis-stating Nathan's age allow us to rise to a point of order long enough to state that Nathan was five years of age when this was being written, though as the paper is due to appear on January first, nineteen hundred and sixteen, he will undoubtedly be a six-year-old by the time you read this. We are careful to call attention to these little things in connection with any mention of Nathan, because every time we wrote of him last spring one of our most esteemed far eastern contemporaries insisted upon disagreeing with us in a very pronounced and annoying manner, and we do not wish any recurrence of the same at this writing. Consequently, in order that our most esteemed far eastern contemporary may continue its more recent course of "requiescatting in peace" so far as contradicting any remarks of ours concerning Nathan is concerned, we admit that he is six years old. Having thus evidenced our admiration of our beloved president's policy of preparedness by throwing out a few safeguards of our own, we will proceed in our humble way to express a brief appreciation of the good qualities which have united to bring Nathan into the limelight as the world's champion halfmile track trotter.

Californians will remember that back in 1912 there was quite a little race on for a time between our own Lottie Ansel and the Massachusetts filly, Nowaday Girl, to decide which should be the champion of the age and gait for the season. Lottie finally had the best of the argument by a mere matter of half a second, but Nowaday Girl was trotting right around within a few seconds of the mark, or fractions of it, mighty regularly, even going so far as to trot a half-mile track in the world's record time of 2:16½. Of course, in the words so long and so forcibly emphasized in the advertisements disseminated throughout our fair land by the late Mr. Post, "there's a reason"—or, to be more exact and not arouse the criticism of our most esteemed far eastern contemporary, there was a reason—the same being materialized in the person of the identical Nathan Axworthy of whom we have just been speaking. Nine times Nathan heard the word go that season, and in every one of the nine heats he was a handy second. Twice each was he beaten by Nowaday Girl and that good futurity trotter, Dillon Axworthy (2) 2:11¼, showing such pleasing form that many observers were of the opinion that, had he been fitted for such an attempt, he would have been able to have taken a record of 2:10 that season. No effort was made to mark him, however, as breeder's records and the like had not yet been provided for by the parent associations.

Having no futurity engagements—and please note before going any farther how foolish those few words appear when written of a good colt—his three-year-old activities were confined to a careful and not extensive "carrying over" work, in view of taking another whirl at the trotters on the Metropolitan circuit as a four-year-old. This campaign he accomplished with marked success, winning six out of seven starts and retiring at the end of the season with a very moderate mark, 2:12¼. By this time his owner was convinced that in Nathan he had some real race horse material, and for 1915 he was entered in some of the later events on the Grand Circuit, being furnished with a few preparatory engagements on the "Met," just by way of trying him out.

The "tryout" was much more than merely successful, for on the seventeenth of August, over the historic track at Goshen, he met and conquered a field of nine high class trotters in the world's record time of 2:09½, 2:10¼, 2:09¼, the band going down to defeat behind him including Andral, Bronson, Gay Audubon, Parclife and Leo A., all of whom were behind the money, while Harry J. S., Raffles and Strafford had to be content with second, third and fourth money, respectively. The following week he was given the first real leveling of his life and trotted the Goshen two-lap course in 2:07, which, had it been a public performance, would have constituted a world's record for a trotting stallion over a track of that nature by a matter of three-quarters of a second. Convinced that he was ready to meet all comers, his trainer took him to the Grand Circuit meeting at Empire City Park, and there, in footing that was a nightmare and gamely endeavoring to pull a driver that tips the scales at a figure over the two hundred pound mark, he shared the fate of Lee Axworthy and received a "cooking" that practically settled his chances for the entire season. He was second in the first heat in 2:09¼, but gradually faded until the flag caught him in the fourth, still game, still trying, and still trotting. Later in the year he got back to a mile in 2:07 but was never really at himself, and failed to figure seriously in any of his later engagements. He retired, and after a brief stud season next spring will be prepared for another campaign on the big line.

Comment upon Nathan's breeding, other than the tabulation which appears at the head of this sketch, seems hardly necessary, as the salient features of the same are so apparent. The family of Axworthy is accepted as one of the truly great ones of the trotter of today, and through the maternal line the quality of the houses represented will find favor with the most exacting. Californians will note with pleasure that it runs through producing dams back to the same old matron from whom is descended that other famous member of the Axworthys, Guy Axworthy, sire of this year's M. and M. winner, the fourth dam being the famous old matron Flora Langford trial 2:24 (dam of Lillian Wilkes (3) 2:17¾, etc.) by Langford, firstborn of California's thoroughbreds.

Nathan Axworthy is owned by a gentleman who numbers many Californians among his circle of friends and acquaintances, Andrew Albright Jr., of Newark, New Jersey. Mr. Albright spends several months each year in the Golden State and in the course of the last year has purchased a number of California horses, including C. A. Durfee's former meal ticket, Zulu Belle 2:06¼ pacing and 2:10¼ trotting, and the good trotter and brood mare Katalina 2:11¼, whose first foal developed into the fast and well mannered three-year-old futurity winner Bondalean (3) 2:06¼. Both mares are now at Mr. Albright's Prospect Farm, just a short distance from the city of Newark, and will be mated with Nathan Axworthy during the coming season. Other Californians at Prospect Farm are the pacing mare Josie Ansel 2:14 by Prince Ansel, and the yearling filly by The Proof 2:10¾ out of Katalina. This young lady, by the way, is progressing famously with her kindergarten work, which is being given by Isaac Hully, who handles the horses at Prospect Farm, and looms as a real trotter with ample capacity for adding considerably to the renown of both sire and dam.

TIME IN NEW ZEALAND IS FASTER.

While improvements in the breed of the American trotter and a great advance in the systems of shoeing, training, hitching, and the conditioning of race courses have worked a wonderful increase in the speed rate obtainable from our horses of today over those of a decade or so ago, the harness horses in our sister countries of New Zealand and Australia have been making strides of equal import. Horsemen in those countries have not only been quick to adopt such American methods as appealed to them as being fundamentally sound but they have gone further and developed to an advanced degree a system of training suited throughout to their particular plan of racing, with the result that their horses are improving in speed and endurance in a most gratifying manner. With the totalisator as a means of investment, with the governing bodies constantly on the watch for ways and means of improving the quality of the racing as a means of providing popular amusement, and with breeders steadily improving their stock by infusing new strains of blood from the established American families, conditions in general have reached a most gratifying state, and the industry of breeding and racing the harness horse is on a most excellent basis. The New Zealand Referee's following brief review of the recent spring meeting at Addington gives a good idea of the healthy condition of the sport there and the advances being made in the way of extreme speed production:

When the stake for the New Zealand Trotting Club was raised to £2500 and the total amount given in stakes at the Spring Meeting was increased to £10,000, there were some members of the New Zealand Metropolitan Trotting Club who were rather apprehensive as to the result. We feel sure that they have no misgivings now as to the wisdom of the policy adopted, for the success that has been achieved proves that, unless the circumstances are altogether exceptional, good stakes will attract good horses, and bring about keen competition. The meeting held at Addington on Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday of last week must be regarded as in every way successful, and for a gathering held under war conditions it was brilliantly so. It was unfortunate that the downpour of rain that followed the contest for the New Zealand Cup on the first day should have so seriously affected the remainder of that day's racing, but luckily the most valuable event of the year was decided on a track which, though somewhat slow, was not in bad condition for racing, and as a matter of fact, was improving with every race.

The times recorded on the first day were naturally affected by the state of the going, but with careful attention in the interval, the track was in splendid condition for the racing on Thursday and Friday, and some very high-class performances were registered. It is recognized amongst the followers of the sport that it takes a good horse to win a race at Addington; with the gradual reduction of the handicap limits the standard of the horses competing there is steadily improving, and we may take it for granted that the club's executive will continue the present policy which will have the effect of making a victory on its course the hall-mark of really genuine merit. The racing all through was full of interest, and for his share in bringing about that result the club's handicapper, Mr. H. Brinkman, is entitled to congratulation. As for the business side of the meeting, when we say that it was quite up to the usual Addington standard, it will be understood that Mr. A. J. Rattray, the club's very capable and experienced secretary, had all the necessary machinery for the work in smooth-running order. The New Zealand Cup has so often failed to produce a contest worthy of such a valuable stake that it was a gratifying change to find it bringing about a better race than usual. It would, however, have been better still had all the competitors left their marks properly, but, unfortunately, several of the horses engaged lost their chances at the start. The winner, Country Belle, began brilliantly, and though she was not the public favorite, her victory gained her owner, Mr. W. J. Moreland, many congratulations, for he bred and trained this year's winner, and her performances, including her second place in last year's race, have shown her to be a very high class mare. Our Thorpe registered a fine performance in finishing second after losing ground at the start, and in view of his form in the free-for-all on Thursday, he must have been very much harder to beat in the Cup had he begun much more quickly.

The free-for-all, which was the star attraction of Thursday's program, aroused exceptional interest, and no finer exhibition of speed than that displayed by Our Thorpe has been witnessed on the Addington track. He registered time that was much faster than the previous Australasian record for the distance, and the fact that during the race Our Thorpe was clocked to cover a mile in 2:5 2-5, and Country Belle a mile in 2:6, proves that the speed of our best horses is much greater now than they were able to show a few years ago. We have not yet reached the American standard, but in view of the different conditions, we are not so very far behind. A race such as the free-for-all adds distinction to a program, and we feel sure the committee would find it a wise policy to give more encouragement to the best horses by putting on a similar contest each day of the meeting.

PROBLEM FOR GRAND CIRCUIT STEWARDS.

When the stewards of the Grand Circuit meet in Cleveland, Jan. 11, they will have other subjects to thrash out in addition to the forming of a compact racing line for the 1916 season. Our old friend, the limitation of winnings, will be brought up again, President Devereux having revised the proposition which came near to being put through in 1913, limiting the stake winnings of a trotter to $15,000, and of a pacer to $10,000, after accumulating which amount they would be eligible only to such stakes as their records at that time left them eligible; in other words the early closing dates would not act as a protection, and after a horse had won up to the limit, there would be a new closing date (for him) to the balance of the events.

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In 1913 and 1914 there was no trotter to "hog" the money in the big stakes of the Grand Circuit, Tenara promising to do so early in 1913, but breaking down long before the season was ended, and Lassie McGregor duplicating this performance the following year. This left the major portion of the money in the stakes fairly well split up among several horses, but last season Tom Murphy came along with that iron horse, Peter Scott, and monopolized practically everything in sight in the stake line, not only on the Grand Circuit, but also at the Panama-Pacific Exposition meeting at San Francisco, in November.

With the exception of the $10,000 M. and M. stake at Detroit, in which he was beaten by Lee Axworthy, Peter Scott won every one of the Grand Circuit classics for aged horses (the Tavern "Steak" at Cleveland is not included, as the peculiar conditions of the event barred Peter Scott). This was just what had been predicted as likely to happen by the critics, for Peter Scott had shown himself in 1914 to be a 2:05 trotter, who would race right around that notch every time it was necessary to do so to win. Had Lee Axworthy remained good all season the sailing might not have been so easy for the "brown bear" from Pittsburgh, but the star four-year-old made only three starts after the M. and M. and in one of these was taken into camp by Peter Scott. In practically all of the races of the latter after the M. and M. he was conceded the first money before the start, being barred in the auctions at any of the meetings where open pooling was permitted.

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Not only the example of Peter Scott during the past season, but the fact that a condition exists at the present time which promises a repetition of the performance with another actor in the role of star in 1915, has caused the revival of the limitation of winnings rule, which was smothered three years ago. This time it is another Peter, the Cleveland trotter, Peter Mac 2:03½, who has yet to start in a race, but is pronounced by the best judges as a trotter more than likely to beat 2:00 the coming season. He has been a half, driven by a driver nearly four score years of age, in 59 seconds, and that is more speed than has ever been shown by any other trotter, with the exception of Uhlan and Lou Dillon, both of which crossed the two-minute mark.

The proposition which President Devereux will put up to the stewards at their annual meeting is far different from that of three years ago, as it provides two events for each Grand Circuit meeting, one for trotters and one for pacers, the entrants limited to horses which never have won a certain named amount; then, after a horse races for a time and his winnings reach another named amount he shall automatically become ineligible to these events, although his racing career will be protected by his also becoming automatically eligible to other early closing events to which his best records leave him eligible, even though he may not have been named in such events at the time the entries closed.

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The conditions of the trotting stake which the Devereux proposition, if adopted, will make one of the features of every meeting in membership with the Grand Circuit, is as follows:

For trotters which have never won over $2,000 gross, $5,000; to be raced for in three heats; $1,200 for the first heat, $1,500 for the second, $1,800 for the third heat. Purse in each heat to be divided 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. Of the balance $150 to the winner of the event, $150 to the driver of the winner, and $200 to the horses standing fifth and sixth, respectively, in the final summary, of which 70 per cent goes to the horse standing fifth and 30 per cent to the horse standing sixth. Any division of the money not won by any other starter to go to the winner of the race. A distanced or drawn horse retains what money he may have won, but loses his position in the race.

Of the horses that start in the third heat the winner of the event shall be the horse not distanced that has won the most money gross. Should there be a tie in the gross amount won the horses tied shall race a fourth heat to determine the winner.

A horse entered in these events shall be eligible to start until it has won $7,000 gross in them, when it becomes ineligible to start again in them and all entrance money in the stakes to which it has become ineligible shall be refunded and it shall be entitled to start in any early closing event to which its winning race record made it eligible at the time it was barred.

The conditions of the pacing stake are identical except in the amounts, the stakes being for $3,000, and the horse become ineligible when it has won $5,000 gross. These conditions would not in any way interfere with the regular events, early closing or otherwise, but it would be compulsory on each association in the Grand Circuit membership to give such events.

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It is possible that there will be opposition to the rule providing for these events from associations which maintain valuable classics, such as Detroit with its M. and M.; Kalamazoo, with its Paper Mills Stake, or Syracuse, with its Empire State Stake, all for $10,000, the management figuring that the addition of a $5,000 stake for trotters to its list of events will draw entries from the big stakes, certain owners refusing to take a chance against the cracks which are sure to be named for the classics when they realize that they have a chance to race for $5,000 and avoid meeting the Peter Scotts of the future. However, it appears that some change must be made in the conditions governing early closing events in order to avoid a repetition of 1915 Grand Circuit history; a year in which the identity of the winner of every one of the rich stakes raced subsequent to the M. and M. was practically a settled fact long before the horses were brought upon the track. Possibly the Devereux proposition will go a long way toward making such a repetition impossible; at least it looks to be worth a trial.—Western Horseman.

BETTING RULES AND REGULATIONS AT NEW ORLEANS.

New Orleans, La., December 19.—The rules and regulations governing the betting at the Fair Grounds during the coming race meeting, beginning January 1, were made known and will be posted prominently throughout the grounds. A copy handed down by Joseph A. Murphy follows:

"Individual betting is legal under the civil and criminal code of Louisiana and only individual betting will be permitted on these premises. No one must set up a place for the purpose of betting with any sheets, blackboard or paraphernalia of any character.

"There must be no display of odds, even on a program, nor any soliciting of betting. There must be no crying of odds. Each bet must be an individual transaction and the management requests that individual betters see that their bet is sealed by the individual stakeholder before leaving the place.

"Individual stakeholders are employed for the protection of the public. They are hired by the Business Men's Racing Association and no one has any authority to hire or discharge an individual stakeholder except the management. These men are under a properly executed bond. They shall receive no fee or tip and shall make no bets or have any money in their possession for the purpose of betting. Any stakeholder who refuses to hold an individual bet will be summarily discharged and patrons are especially requested to report to the management any incivility on the part of any stakeholder.

"Patrons are cautioned to get the correct number of the stakeholder so that he may be located, and they are requested to look carefully at the envelope before they sign it so as to avoid mistakes.

"Stakeholders will be compelled to rectify any mistakes made by them, but the signatures of the betters in acceptance of the terms of the aleatory contract will be considered as final.

"Individual stakeholders shall have in their possession no device to encourage, promote, aid or assist any person or persons to bet or wager; they shall simply witness and adjust a legal, aleatory contract after it has been consummated by two individuals."

Another notice issued to horsemen by Manager Joseph A. Murphy was that relating to selling races and claiming of beaten horses. It follows:

"In all selling races the winner will not be sold at auction. At any time within fifteen minutes after the official board has been displayed any person in good standing may put in a sealed bid for the winner with the clerk of the scales or the racing secretary. Money for this bid must accompany the bid unless the person bidding has sufficient funds in the office to cover the bid. Bids may be made in units of $100. Failure to place the proper amount in the envelope will not vacate the bid, but it will be considered in force to the amount of the even $100 under the fraction of $100 that might be placed in the envelope. Thus, for example, if there should be $725 in the envelope the bid will be accepted as $700. When the envelopes are opened the owner of the horse will be notified and will have the option of protecting the horse for the customary $5 or letting it go to the highest bidder, to whom an order for the horse will be given. Should there be two bids for the same amount, those bidding will draw lots for the horse. One-half of the surplus arising from this will go to the second horse and the other half to a special fund to be available for any emergency, charitable or otherwise that may arise. All other horses are eligible to claim by any one in good standing for an amount equal to the first money of the purse. When such horses have been claimed they shall not be eligible for sale or transfer by private treaty for a period of thirty days, but, of course, will be subject to sale or claim in any selling race in which they may run. When two or more persons claim the same horse priority shall be determined by lot except that the owner of the winner shall have his claim vacated if other claims are in for the same horse. No person may claim more than one horse."

NOTES and NEWS

Happy New Year!
And a prosperous one.

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Remember that all the horses are a year older than they were yesterday.

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A sure sign that "winter is with us" is found in the green grass that is starting so generously in the wake of the recent rains.

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Speaking of winter—a recent letter from Tommy Gahagan, the itinerant turf tattler, tells of hard-earned money spent for ear-muffs, wristlets, woolen mittens, a big overcoat and a pair of fleece-lined arctic overshoes.

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No, gentle reader, he is not in Chicago, either, but away down south in Indianapolis. Speaking of Chicago, however, speaking of Chicago:

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The editorial staff of our sole surviving contemporary may have some weird conceptions of what constitutes a climatic paradise, but you have to hand it to 'em on this Christmas number proposition. Taking the present Christmas number "by and large," as is Kin Hubbard's favorite way, the Review folks have certainly done themselves proud, if they will pardon our homely phraseology.

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Any horseman whose wife is so darned stingy that she will not stake him to the two bits required to procure a copy has adequate grounds for a suit for divorce.

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The Western Horseman's number, also, aside from that portion contributed by yours truly, reflects great credit to its publishers and to the enterprise of its patrons, while the Christmas editions of the Trotter and Pacer and the American Horse Breeder are also exceptionally attractive from every viewpoint. One or two other publications are due at this writing, but are probably delayed in transit by the rush of holiday mail. To each and every one of them we extend our heartiest fraternal wishes for success and prosperity during the coming season.

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Having thus disposed of a pleasant duty, permit this pointed personal question, Mr. Broodmare Owner—have you made those nominations in the State Fair Futurity for foals of mares bred in 1915? This is absolutely the last reminder.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Longley, who for some months have made their temporary home at the Hotel Oakland, left a few days ago for their ranch near Bishop, Inyo county, where they will spend an indefinite period. In the meantime, Henry Smith and Hiram Rapelje will continue the education of the Longley colts at the Pleasanton Driving Park.

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The second "Businessmen's Race Meeting" begins at New Orleans today, with some seven hundred of the best horses of the country quartered in the stables there. The pick of California and Nevada thoroughbreds are in attendance and their friends here are confident that they will return a most excellent account of themselves every time they come to the gate and get an even break in the racing luck. Here's hoping.

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Adolph Ottinger, dean of the San Francisco matinee drivers, arrived home from a trip into the wilds of eastern Oregon just in time for the Christmas festivities. His interests in the Burns country are growing and he threatens to spend most of his time there during the coming year. He has only three horses left at present out of the many he has owned at various times, and as several parties are showing inclinations to purchase those three, the indications are that "Ott" will soon be "a-foot."

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It has long been the opinion of various members of the Grand Circuit strategy boards that the fast California-bred pacer Del Rey 2:03¾ would be a greatly improved horse if subjected to the process of castration. So thoroughly and widely has this notion been disseminated that the alteration has finally become an accomplished fact, so that summary writers next summer will have to remember to make it "b g" in stead of "b h."

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In spite of the fact that the war in Europe has made great inroads upon the horseflesh of all the countries involved in the titanic struggle, Secretary Wayne Dinsmore of the Percheron Society of America has just received word by cable from President Aveline of the Percheron Society of France to the effect that the government has authorized the exportation of two hundred stallions, foaled in 1912 or earlier, so that American breeders have not yet reached the point where they must be dependent upon the products of their own farms for the continuance of their operations. The American-bred draft horse, however, is very rapidly coming into his own and prices for homegrown individuals of pure lineage and proper type was never stronger.

Thomas S. Griffith of Spokane has been elected to membership on the Pacific District Board of Review of the National Trotting Association, to fill the vacancy caused some months ago by the death of the late Colonel J. C. Kirkpatrick of this city. Mr. Griffith is well known in trotting horse circles throughout the northwest and west and his selection will meet with the approbation of horsemen in general.

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J. E. Bransford of Salt Lake, twice mayor of that mid-continental metropolis and a steadfast friend of the harness horse for many years prior to the time of the sprouting of his first political aspirations, arrived back in California a few days ago on his annual pilgrimage and is stopping at the Lankershim at Los Angeles, spending a due portion of his daylight hours at Exposition Park, where he is an ever welcome figure.

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His Honor the Mayor, in other words Bert Shank, generally has a few good ones eating hay and oats somewhere in his immediate vicinity at his stronghold at North Randall, but this winter he has graduated into the Charley Dean class with a whoop, having at present a total of three score and one trotters and pacers in a more or less advanced state of development dependent upon him for the little old three a day—not forgetting the proper amount of exercise. He certainly runs small danger of suffering from either lonesomeness or inaction with this delegation to provide for.

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The various charities of the city of Baltimore will be benefitted to the extent of some thirteen thousand dollars as a result of the recent fall meeting of the Maryland Jockey Club. It is the club's custom to donate all proceeds of their events in excess of six per cent "legitimate profit" to some worthy cause, the surplus in this instance aggregating the neat sum just mentioned. If such a course of procedure were made universal, with the mode of speculation restricted to the totalisator or the pari-mutuel machine, there would be very much less of an outcry against racing.

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"They're off at Tia Juana!" The inaugural meeting of the Lower California Jockey Club was ushered in today, under what from this distance seem to be fairly auspicious circumstances. The few horses remaining at tracks in this neck of the woods were shipped down early this week, and special rates on the railroads attracted quite a number of the regulars from this and neighboring cities. Juarez is having some tribulations, and it is not improbable that a number of owners will ship from that point to Tia Juana in the near future, and Tia Juana can use the horses to a good advantage.

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There will be a special matinee held Christmas (next Saturday) morning on the Lincoln Park speedway, that it is expected will be one of the most interesting of the entire season in Chicago, as in addition to the cracks of the North Side, a number of the best horses from other parts of the city will also be in evidence, the present probability being that something like twenty starters in the various events. Al Whitney will start Blue Line p. 2:08¼ and others. Johnny Bangert will start one or two. A. G. I. 2:14½ will be on hand, as usual, and Dr. Brook, the green half-brother of Dr. Burns Jr. 2:04¼, will take the word. Dr. Fisher will be represented by his pacing mare Swamp Maiden 2:16¼ and his fast Bingen colt, Bingen Bond 2:23¼. The racing will begin at 10 a. m., and the entertainment will be enjoyable. The surface of the speedway has been placed in excellent condition and will enable the horses to step fast over it.—Horse Review.

TOO MUCH WATER CAUSES DECREASE IN ALFALFA YIELDS.

More water means less instead of more alfalfa, once a certain limit has been reached.

This is the valuable lesson of a six-year field test just completed by the Irrigation Investigations of the University of California at the University Farm at Davis. It was shown that, contrary to accepted belief, a limit is soon reached above which the yield of alfalfa actually decreases with increasing amounts of irrigation water applied.

In these tests, one-quarter acre checks were used, and each test was duplicated. Quantities of water varying from 12 to 60 inches were applied to the various checks. Two checks were left unirrigated as check plats. The average yield for six years from the unirrigated checks was 4.07 tons of hay per acre.

The largest average yield, 9.28 tons, was produced by applying 36 acre-inches of water per acre, in four nine-inch irrigations.

But the most economical yield was produced with 30 acre-inches of water per acre applied in four 7½-inch irrigations, 8:99 tons of alfalfa hay being produced. The average increase in yield of .29 tons per acre by using 36 instead of 30 inches in a season was not sufficient to pay for the increased cost in water and labor. Between nothing and 30 inches, the yields increased uniformly with the increased amounts of water applied.

A slight decrease in yield was shown from four 12-inch irrigations, while a decided decrease resulted from four 15-inch irrigations, which produced but 8.20 tons of hay per acre.

CHRISTMAS MATINEE AT SANTA ANA.

Santa Ana, Dec. 25, 1915.—"White Christmases" that professional Californians from the corn belt talk so much about may be all right in their way in countries where the folks are used to them, but most anyone would have a hard time finding any real fault with the kind of a Christmas enjoyed here today, with the sun warm and bright and harness racing as the feature of the afternoon portion of the celebration. Four races were contested before a nice crowd by members of the Orange County Driving Club, and with Santa Claus present in the grandstand in person with a remembrance of some sort for every person in attendance a genuine good time was the result. From the way the public takes to the matinee racing here it looks as though the trotter is "coming back" in great shape so far as this particular locality is concerned.

W. R. Murphy, who on the occasion of the last matinee spreadeagled the card by taking first in every event, was a bit tamer today, and while he was a hard one for the boys to handle they managed to take him into camp in style that rather evened things up, only one event going to his entry. Two newcomers to the green class accounted for that number, which started things off for the day, Fred Culver's seven-year-old trotter Brownie taking the second and third heat after Babe, a big fat mare owned ten miles out in the country, had won the first heat. The latter is owned by S. Teneick and could trot a twenty gait if given only a very little work. Murphy scored a win with Black Diamond after racing a nice contest with Fritz Schultz and Laddie, with three heats right in the notch from 2:28 to 2:29. Fred Cole with Atlantic Fleet bested Miss Patterson and Buster L. in the 2:25 pace, while Dr. H. J. Stevens with Doctor S. hung up the two fastest heats of the day in the 2:20 trot, winning the first in 2:19 and coming back in 2:18, with Dick W. and Tommy Murphy right at his heels. The summaries:

Green Class:

Browney	(Fred Culver)	3	1	1
Babe	(S. Teneick)	1	3	3
Wanna Wilkes, by San Juan	(W. R. Murphy)	2	2	2
Strathway Jr., b g by Strathway	(H. E. Johnson)	4	4	4
Carpus, b h by Earondale	(A. E. Waern)	5	5	dr

Time—2:40, 2:39, 2:37½.

2:30 Mixed:

Black Diamond	(W. R. Murphy)	1	2	1
Laddie, bl g by Aladdin	(Fritz Schultz)	2	1	2
Midnight	(Johnny Fries)	3	3	3

Time—2:29, 2:28, 2:28½

2:25 Pace:

Atlantic Fleet, ch g by Murray M.	(Fred Cole)	1	1
Buster L., ch g by Zolock	(W. J. Lindsey)	2	3
Miss Patterson, b m by Zenith	(W. R. Murphy)	3	2

Time—2:24, 2:24¼.

2:20 Trot:

Doctor S., b g by Carlokin	(Dr. H. J. Stevens)	1	1
Dick W., b g by Walter Barker	(W. R. Murphy)	2	2
Tommy Murphy, b g by Red McK.	(F. W. Faucett)	3	3

Time—2:19, 2:18.

MRS. E. F. GEERS ANSWERS LAST SUMMONS.

The countless thousands of friends and acquaintances of Edward F. Geers will be pained to learn that this Christmas was for him one of the saddest of his lifetime, the devoted wife who for so many years has been always with him having answered to the call out upon the long journey from which there is no return. For many months past Mrs. Geers' health has been the occasion of much concern to her friends, her life having been despaired of twice during the year just passed. Plucky rallies on both occasions led to the hope of her eventual return to complete health, but such a blessing was not to be hers, and on Sunday, December 19, at her home in Memphis, death put an end to both hope and suffering. A member of the Review staff who had the pleasure of knowing her, writes in part of her death as follows: "Mrs. Geers was in every way an excellent and admirable woman, the most faithful and devoted of wives and mothers, enjoying the respect and esteem of all who knew her and the sincere love and affection of her friends and close acquaintances. While only on rare occasions was she seen at the races, she being by preference inconspicuous in her tastes and ways of life, she was nevertheless deeply interested in her husband's success in his profession and had, throughout their long wedded life, been of aid and assistance to him in many ways in attaining his eminent position, while the reputation which he enjoyed was to her a source of intense pride and gratification. Of the children which blessed their union, the only son, Edward F., named for his father, was accidentally killed some years ago, but a daughter who has been the close companion and devoted ministrant to her mother during the latter's protracted illness, remains to mourn her loss."

Horsemen throughout the west will be quick and sincere in joining the Breeder and Sportsman in extending to their bereaved friend and his daughter their most heartfelt sympathy and respect in this moment of sorrow and distress.

NEW PARK AMATEUR DRIVING CLUB.

San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 28, 1915.

To Members:

The annual meeting of New Park Amateur Driving Club will be held in Parlor A, Palace Hotel, Monday, January 3, 1916, at 8 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, and such other business as may be brought before the meeting.

Respectfully yours,

F. W. THOMPSON, Secretary.

HEREDITY IN BEEF PRODUCTION.

The art of breeding beef cattle of superior merit is an accomplishment of which relatively few American farmers can boast. Occasionally by the purchase of a prepotent bull or by the fortuitous possession of an exceptionally good breeding cow, a breeder gets started in the right direction, and is able to follow the proper course for a number of years. A study, however, of the records of the large shows indicates that the average life of an exhibitor is less than 5 years.

Sporadic attempts have been made, with varying degree of success, to establish a dual-purpose type. For the most part these attempts have failed to make good in popular esteem and probably in function, so far as a given individual is concerned. There are undoubtedly a few cows of good beef conformation which produce a large amount of milk in every neighborhood. The great difficulty, however, has been that they do not breed true to type, in the majority of instances.

With the tremendous demand for dual-purpose cattle, and the failure of many attempts to produce them from Shorthorn, Red Polled, Holstein, Brown Swiss, and occasionally even from Jersey and Hereford cattle, it seems that the methods used to date have for the most part been incorrect. We may yet be able, with a more careful study of the functional process involved in the production of beef and milk, to establish a breed or a strain which is much more efficient than any that we now have.

In order to have a sufficient number of cattle for instructional purposes at the Kansas State Agricultural College, three breeds of beef cattle, Aberdeen, Hereford and Shorthorn, are maintained. Calves suitable to show as fat steers are selected from each crop rather than purchased. This year 5 entire steers steer herds were shown, every member of which was bred on the college farm. Close observation of the dams of these cattle reveals the fact that in no instance has a show steer been selected from a cow which would be placed at the top of the herd of breeding females to which she belongs, if the showyard standards usually used in placing aged breeding cows were applied. As a rule she would be well down toward the foot of the class. The thickest cows have not produced the best calves.

In other words, cows which are not of the accepted beef type transmit beefiness to their sons and also to their daughters, as is shown by their form previously to their first calving. When the heifers enter the ranks of matrons they lose to some extent the rotundity and symmetry of form and become a little sharper over the withers, longer and more slender in the neck, flatter in the rib, heavier in the barrel, and thinner in the thighs. Hence beefiness is either a secondary sex character of the male, transmitted in the same manner as the crest, burly head, and heavy horn, or else it is a character which is tremendously disrupted by feminine functional activity. Perhaps this disruption results from the shrinkage of the deposit of fat in the thicker muscles, due to extraction during milk production, thus changing the form of the individual without altering her type.

Through the co-operation of the animal husbandry division of the Bureau of Animal Industry the Kansas Experiment Station is inaugurating an experiment in breeding purebred Shorthorn cattle which will continue through 20 years. The project has been approved by the Office of States Relations as meeting the requirements for prosecution under the Adams' Fund. This fund was specifically appropriated for fundamental problems which are not of such a nature as to permit a report to popularize the experimental work of the institution.

The general plan in securing the foundation experimental stock was to secure 20 Shorthorn cows from the best beef herds in the United States and Canada, each one of which had produced at least one calf decidedly above the average of the herd from which the cow was selected. Each cow must have a sound, well-balanced udder and must have produced more milk than her calf was able to take during the early part of her period of lactation.

Following this method of selection a variety of types has been secured, some individuals of which would not pass muster under the critical eye of a judge looking for beefiness in a breeding female. Represented in the foundation stock are the herds of Cowan of Virginia, Carpenter & Ross, Edwards and West of Ohio, Robbins and Silverthorne of Indiana, Edwards of Canada, Brown, Forbes, Kreigh, Kilgour and Prather of Illinois, Leonard of Missouri, Saunders of Iowa, Kane of Nebraska, and Hill and Tomson of Kansas.

Many other herds were visited where suitable cows were found, but the owners refused to sell them. In a few instances correspondence indicated that the breeders were not particularly interested, but in the majority of instances the most hearty co-operation was secured, and animals were allowed to leave the farms with which the owners would not have parted in any other circumstances. It will be noticed that the majority of the cattle come from the cornbelt and from herds which have made a reputation in the showyard and salering. Individuals from the Augusta, Clipper, Mina, Secret, Gwendoline, Jealousy, Duchess of Gloster, Clara, Narcissus, Roan Lady, Marr Bessie, Orange Blossom, Lavender, Lovely and several Scotch-topped families are included in the foundation stock. The purpose was to secure cattle from herds and from families which were noted for the production of beef cattle.

The cows were assembled at Manhattan, where they will be carried on pasture until calving time. So soon as calves are dropped they will be taken from their dams, placed on nurse-cows and developed according to the best practice of the breeding of purebred beef cattle. The cows will be fed and managed according to the best methods of dairy breeders. A junior and senior calf will be castrated each year and be developed as show steers. Thus the value of the calves on a beef basis and the ability of the cows to produce milk can be determined.

The bull to be used at the head of the herd is Matchless Dale, a son of Avondale and the sire of the first-prize junior and senior Shorthorn steer calves and reserve champion at the 1913 International, the first-prize senior calf at the 1913 Royal, the champion steer of all breeds and ages at the 1914 Denver show, and the first-prize steer calf at the 1914 Kansas State Fair, the only exhibit made last year. The first prize on the two-year-old Shorthorn steer, the first prize on the calf, and the first prize on the herd and championship for steers were awarded to the get of this bull at the 1915 American Royal. In other words, the head of the herd is a tried Shorthorn bull of beef type. As an individual he would, if fitted, rank among the best aged bulls of the breed.

After the experiment has progressed sufficiently, each year the best milk producing cow will, if possible, be bred to the Shorthorn bull whose calves have won in the get of sire classes at the International. In this way it is hoped to keep the best beef blood in the herd and provide a check on the general matings.

The ultimate purpose of the experiment is to determine whether or not beefiness is an attribute of sex, and in what way it is related to functional development. A careful study of the pedigrees of International and Royal championship winners indicates that a championship bull is apt to produce champions. With the exceptions of Ruberta and Golden Abbotsburn, both of which appear in the pedigree of Ruberta's Goods, no champion Shorthorn female of either of these great shows appears as dam, grandam or great-grandam in the pedigree of a champion. Whether this is due to the excessive development necessary to win a championship, or that the type selected is wrong, or that when a cow produces a calf and large quantities of milk her form changes, are questions upon which this experiment will give information.

As the experiment progresses light may be thrown upon the dual-purpose type. In selecting beef cattle the breeder has usually chosen the fat steer as his ideal, and varies from this type only far enough to secure evidence of masculinity in the male and femininity in the female, in other respects selecting each sex upon the same basis. The dairyman has used the type associated with high production in the female and selects the bull as nearly to that type as his sex will permit. By using beef bulls from high-producing dams, and selecting cows upon their ability to produce, a double standard may result, one for males and another for females, rather than a dual-purpose type, which is a compromise between two ideals.

As the majority of the cows range in age from 5 to 8 years, many of them never having been even halter-broken, all of them having suckled calves and none having been hand-milked, their first year's performance at the pail will not represent their actual producing capacity. Probably many similar difficulties will be encountered before the experiment has settled down to a smoothly-running basis.

Every precaution has been used to see that the experiment will continue through a long period of years. This is essential, because under the best of conditions 6 years are required to replace a mature breeding herd with their offspring. When time is taken to select a definite type from the original herd, 20 years, the proposed duration of this experiment, may prove to be insufficient. In that time, however, some indication of the trend of the herd should be evident.—Breeders' Gazette.

U. P. HORSE OBSERVES SCHEDULE.

Omaha, Neb. Dec. 17.—Old Jim, one of the Union Pacific's most faithful employees, has been slated for retirement on pension and the chances are that while Jim will not draw any money from the pension fund, he will live a life of ease during his remaining days.

Jim is 21 years old and has been continuously in the employment of the Union Pacific during the last 10 years. Jim, being a horse, does not have to conform to some of the conditions required of men and women who go onto the company pension rolls.

Jim's last mail delivery from the headquarters building to the Union Station week days is made at 5:45 o'clock in the afternoon. At least that is the time when he and his driver should leave the building. Friday afternoon he was at his post of duty with his driver. The driver was in the building and was not in a hurry, but Jim was. He remained at the curb until 5:55 o'clock, when he seemed to realize that he had to get started if he caught a 6:30 o'clock train to deliver his mail. Without waiting longer, in his teeth he picked up the leather strap to which was attached a 10-pound iron weight, turned around and down Dodge street, at a slow trot starting for the depot. Arriving there, he waited the usual length of time required to unload mail from the wagon, again picked up his weight and left for the stable.

CANADA BEING DRAINED OF HORSES.

"Canada is being drained of the foundation stock of its horses through the mistakes of the men buying army animals for the Canadian Government," stated A. Yeager, of Simcoe, when asked by a Toronto Globe reporter the effect the shipping of so many horses from this country would have on the future of this important industry. "The number of animals is nothing," continued Mr. Yeager. "We would never miss twice as many, but the type will take years to replace.

"We have a surplus of serviceable work horses in this country—horses well broken to harness, good workers and hardy both as to climate and disease. The animals range in weight from 1,100 to 1,400 pounds. Nearly every farmer has one or two that he wishes to sell at a fair price. If all this stock was removed from the country the loss would only be felt temporarily, as most of the animals are geldings. Instead of the Remount Commission taking advantage of this market, however, they are completely ignoring it.

"Buyers are looking for fat, young animals, mares, as well as geldings being taken. This class of horse is for the most part made up of mares, as the average farmer's breeding stock is young and in the pink of condition. Here is where the buyers are making a mistake. The young breeding stock that has taken this country years to build up is now being wasted. Because these animals have a finer appearance inexperienced men are buying them in preference to workers. The ideal army horse is a strong, hardy animal, used to rough feed and hard work; an animal that will haul a gun into action and haul it away again. Will well-fed, five-year-old mares be able to do this work better than the ordinary farm blocks? They will not. Used to the very best treatment, barely broken to the bridle, they are taken out of the pastures or bright, airy stables and started for the battlefield. I say started, for it is long time before these animals reach the front. The horses are herded, 19 in a box car, and hauled to the stock yards. After being kept there for some time there is another ride in a drafty car to the training camp.

"If the Commission wished to get their horses to the front with the least possible loss they would ship the animals direct to the training grounds. This would not only save the expense of loading and reloading at the yards, but the horses would reach the grounds in less time without being exposed.

"Their lack of previous experience in harness makes the breaking-in a difficult job, both for the men and the beasts. Sore shoulders and feet claim their victims. By the time the animals reach the battlefield a much larger percentage than the average person is aware of has been lost.

"Again the double loading and unloading of the horses costs money. Training young animals is no small item. The loss of time getting the stock ready for service alone means a great deal of money. The greatest loss, however, will be that felt by the farmers of this country when the price of horses begins to rise and the quality begins to deteriorate, both due to the draining of foundation stock. All of these losses would be borne cheerfully, if necessary, but when horsemen find that a great deal of them have no excuse, it is not surprising to find these men dissatisfied.

"How can we avoid these losses? Simply by putting horsemen in the place of the present buyers. The present method is not working satisfactorily. A typical case occurred here some time ago. A farmer came in with two horses: one was a nine or ten year old and well trained. The other was a four-year-old mare, fat and practically unbroken to harness. The buyer refused to give $125 for the gelding, but offered $200 for the mare. Why did he do this? Because the mare looked smoother than the worker. The gelding that was turned down on account of the lack of smoothness is today hauling an oil wagon, which is much heavier work than his share of hauling a gun would be. If the men under the Remount Commission realized what the horses would have to do they would choose workers, not show or breeding animals. They are not only getting less for their money, but doing a vast injury to the whole country. Send the workers to the front, we can spare them, but leave the breeding stock at home.

"The United States is selling thousands of animals for military purposes, but that country is keeping its breeding stock, and because of this latter fact they are just one year ahead of us. If the present system of buying horses keeps up we will have to go to the States for breeding stock after the war.

"Another point on which horsemen are dissatisfied is the lack of competition in Canada between buyers from the different nations looking for horses. If Canada does not want our surplus work horses, why not let Britain, France or Italy have a chance to buy them? Many farmers are not breeding this year, because they cannot find a market for their present stock."

When asked the effect of the war on the breeding of pure-bred stock Mr. Yeager agreed with most of the other Canadian horsemen. "There will be a big demand for pure-bred heavy animals from now on," he said. "Great Britain, France and Belgium are being rapidly depleted of their horses. Even the best stock is being used up. Canada will find a ready market for her best horseflesh in those countries. The demand for good work horses will also be strong, but if the farmers keep on disposing of their mares for military purposes the filling of that market will have to be left to the United States."

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

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FROM RIO GRANDE DEL NORTE TO GUATEMALA.

When the casual tourist speaks of a "trip to Mexico," he has no more idea of the size of the great republic of the South than a child has of astronomy; when he returns, having seen El Paso or Laredo or Nogales, having whirled through the plains and the mountains of the plateau to the ancient capital of the Montezumas, and then arrives home after two or three weeks in a Pullman, he thinks he has seen Mexico. So wrote Ramon Jurado five years ago, before the revolutionary upheaval, but none the less interesting for all that. As a matter of fact, the said tourist has no more seen Mexico than a visitor to New York from across the Atlantic sees the greatest, best, most productive, most real part of the United States.

From Tecolato, on the Rio Colorado, below Yuma, southward to Tapuchula on the Guatemala line, is more than 2,000 miles; from Matamoras, on the gulf coast, to Tia Juana, in lower California, is more than 1,200 miles, and these distances represent the greatest length and breadth of the Estados Unidos de Mexico.

I have rowed down the Rio Colorado to the Gulf of California. I have ridden on the Rio Grande, and, far to the south where the overarching jungle makes night of the brightest day. I have been paddled up the great Rio Usumacinta in an eight-oared war canoe, the Mexico-Guatemala line beneath her rounded keel.

Incidentally, I have seen great three-ton mantas engaged in war to the death with fifteen-foot man-eating sharks just off the little West Coast harbor of Manzanillo, and, months later, have heard the waves lapping above the dungeons of San Juan de Ulloa, the fortress prison of Mexico at Vera Cruz, over on the coast of the Gulf of Mexico.

It has taken me the better part of a year to see this much of the great tropical empire, and even yet I know nothing of it. I have seen water led for scores of miles to irrigate millions of acres; I have seen 1,500 square miles of watershed drained into one set of turbines to provide light and power and heat for more than a dozen cities, and I know it is one of the lands of great industrial opportunity in this dawn of the twentieth century.

I have shot deer seven thousand feet above the sea; killed ducks at five thousand feet, and met the jaguar and the alligator and the tapir, at sea level in jungles so dense that it is twilight at midday. I have ridden in an electric car, ten minutes from the heart of Mexico City, where dwell 500,000 people, past a lake so filled with ducks that I could see water only in scattered patches—and I know this is the greatest game preserve in the world.

In Mexico there are no game laws. The sportsman hunts when and where he wishes, provided he can gain the consent of the keeper of the land. But the native man of means, who could afford his hammerless and automatic and his powerboat and his aeroplane, seldom cares for these things. It remains for the foreigner to come into the republic and establish his hunting lodge and his game preserves. There are parts of Mexico which have never heard the crack of the rifle or the boom of the scattergun. Into some of these I have entered; into others I am going, and what I know of the great slopes of Mexico from Popocatepetl and Orizaba to the sea only spurs me on to greater hopes of what lies in the tangled caoba forests of Yucatan and Quintana Roo.

I came into Mexico by way of the twin cities of Nogales, Arizona, and Nogales, Sonora. Neither one is worth mention, and the customs houses maintain what little population there is in either. But south of Nogales, Sonora, lies some of the finest grazing country in the world, and here, from the border down to the Yaqui river, is a vast game preserve, teeming with quail, wild pigeons, deer, mountain lions, foxes and coyotes. In the mountains which everywhere can be seen from the coast, there are probably a few bear, but Mexico as a whole is not a bear country.

This is the country best adapted to the man who has been accustomed to the outdoor world of the United States and Canada, for the tropical jungles, wherein lurks the best big game shooting of the New World, are death-dealing to most men, unless they gradually acclimate themselves by coming slowly down the coast.

From Nogales I wandered down to Guaymas, the port of Sonora on the Gulf of Lower California. When I landed there, a town of 9,000 people, saw the great bay and the gulf outside, I asked where I could rent a rod and reel and a launch. My answer was that all the fishing at Guaymas was done with handlines; that a rod and reel had never been used, though there were thousands of game fish outside, including the famed leaping tuna. More than this, a steel seine has never been used by the market fishermen, while power-boats for fishing are all but unknown, there being but one vessel, a thirty-five footer, worthy of that name in the port.

I hunted and fished little in Sonora, however, and had my first real sport with the little sixteen along the banks of the Rio Yaqui down near the Sinaloa line, shooting wild pigeons. These are not the blue mountain pigeons of the California hills, but are a trifle smaller, gray in color, and look more like an exaggerated mourning dove, with the exception of the white crescent on the throat.

Thousands of these birds breed in the thick jungle of the river and the result is that the sport in the fall months is excellent. They are strong, rapid flyers, pass in long flights over certain feeding grounds and are a source of much pleasure to the few Americans in this part of the country.

In Sinaloa, the State I next visited, one begins to enter the real jungle. Here, the railroad is merely a lane, 100 feet wide, walled in by jungle so dense that cattle cannot make their way through it until the herders cut paths for them. The trees are most of them thirty feet or more in height, and so interlaced with creepers and tough underbrush that it is an impossibility for the hunter to even enter it without the aid of mozos with machetes. Deer are abundant in this heavy jungle, small gray fellows, and they can be obtained only by waiting along the trails, for a full-grown buck, despite his antlers, will go at express train speed through the thickest part of the tangle.

Sinaloa's great game animal is the javelin — pronounced "hahvayleen"—or wild hog. In the books you find him down as the peccary, but this pig is not the true peccary, though he is a fighter, runs in droves, like the piglets from father's barnyard. I had some good sport hunting these, and discovered, on the side, that I had entered the jaguar country as well.

The jaguar is the great cat of Mexico. It combines the beauty of the lion, the strength of the tiger and the cunning of the leopard. Were a jaguar as large as a lion, the spotted American cat would whip the king of beasts in one round, and as it is, the jaguar is afraid of nothing that walks the earth, swims in the water, or flies in the air. He kills with equal impunity the alligator, the deer or the wild goose asleep on some pond, and if he once gets the taste of human blood, he will attack a full grown man just as quickly as he will a lamb or a calf. There are whole Indian villages in the jungles of Campeche and Chiapas and Yucatan, which have been entirely depopulated by the paws of one man-eating jaguar, for the persons he did not kill fled from their homes to build new grass huts in some less dangerous locality.

From Sinaloa, which is a great, low-lying State, I passed on down to Mazatlan, thence across by sea to Manzanillo, and up to Colima, a little, white-walled city, nestling in the valley twenty miles from the volcano of the same name, the only active volcano in Mexico.

Midway up the slope of this cone there is a beautiful, clear lake, which is filled with wild fowl of all kinds at certain seasons of the year, while around the foot of the mountain there is a heavy mat of jungle, which hides jaguars, mountain lions, wild hogs, deer and a few bear, not to mention the little spotted "windaroos," or ocelots, a sort of small leopard, not so large as the California red lynx. Unless by accident one runs across them in open country, it is almost impossible to get these animals without dogs, and a good hunting dog, in the shape of a hound or terrier, is unknown in the republic.

But I began to get into the waterfowl country when I came up the mountains, through the great gorges spanned by the national railways, into the Lake Chapala country and its marshes. The duck shooting here has been aptly described by different writers, but I want to add a word about the jacksnipe of Mexico. Coming down from the north in annual migrations, these wary little birds have been shot at so little in the republic that they lose something of their shyness and offer better opportunities to the sportsman anxious for a big bag. The jacksnipe shooting on Lake Chapala's marshes and the other lowlands of the plateau, is of the best in the world, and as this is one of my favorite game birds, I enjoyed myself in the fall months on these lakes.

It is impossible, even in ten articles of the length of this, to detail my experiences on this remarkably interesting tour of Mexico which I have nearly completed. To cover it day by day, even with the aid of the exhaustive diary I have kept is an impossibility, but there are some few things which I have learned regarding outdoor sports in Mexico which may be set down for the guidance of those who may seek new fields for rifle or shotgun or rod.

The zones of wild life in Mexico are exceedingly well divided by altitude into three distinct classifications. Coming into the country from the north there is the level or plain zone, which comprises much of the great States of Sonora, Chihuahua, Coahuila and Nuevo Leon. This is a rolling country, rounding over from sea level on the east to sea level on the west, broken here and there with mountains, poorly wooded, poorly watered, but so well dowered with lush grasses at certain seasons of the year as to form the ideal deer country of Mexico.

All the fishing worth while, and much of the shooting, is contained in the sea-level zone. There are no trout, bass, salmon, or other game fish in the rivers of Mexico, but in her coastal waters there are numbers of the finest and gamiest of sea fishes, most of which have never been caught in sportsmanlike fashion.

In the sea-level zone, south of the Territory of Tepic on the west and the State of Tamaulipas on the east, is the best alligator and jaguar shooting of the entire republic. The fishing in the hot parts of the coast, of course, is not so good as along the northern sea shore, but the Pacific, particularly, is full of game fishes at all places at all seasons of the year. Besides these, there is always the best of sport to be had with big fifteen and twenty-foot sharks, which make bathing all but impossible in the tropics.

Some day I hope to hook up with one of these monsters with, say a sixteen-ounce rod and a twenty-one Cuttyhunk line. There will be something doing, I know; I am not even confident that I shall bring the monster up where I can put a rifle ball into him, but I also know that I shall have some good sport on the warm, sun-kissed sea of Mexico.

The plains and the sea-coast zones both rise gradually to an altitude of 7,000 to 8,000 feet in the plateau zone, from which the cones of the highest mountains in Mexico pierce the very heavens. Mexico City, in which I am writing these lines, is 7,400 feet up in the air, while there are other towns at 8,000 feet and over. Orizaba, the highest peak in North America, with the exception of Mt. McKinley, is 18,162 feet high, according to the latest measurements, while Popocatepetl and Ixtaccihuatl, which overshadow this city, are above 16,000 feet.

Naturally, hunting at such an altitude partakes rather of labor, but the deer and the wild pigeons and the occasional bear and mountain lion—called "puma" down here—more than make up for it. To give some idea of the number of deer killed by native hunters with pitfalls, running nooses, traps, spears, arrows and crude muzzle-loading guns, I may say that one hide dealer in Mexico City received 900 deer skins from the plateau region alone, during the month of December 1909, and it was by no means a record-breaking month.

Leaving the City of Mexico again, after having seen the wonderful pyramids of the sun and moon out at San Juan de Teotihuacan; after having viewed ten thousand peons crawling up the hill of Guadalupe to pay their devotions to the patron saint of all Mexico, I turned again to the jungle and wandered down through Morelos, Guerrero, and Oazaca, into Chiapas, and across this fever-stricken jungle-covered State to Tapachula, on the very line between Mexico and Guatemala.

This entire country is scattered with tree-grown ruins of great cities, whose builders lived and loved and died before even the Aztecs followed the Toltecs and the Mayas into the Mexican plateau. There is material here for all the archeologists of the world for the next century, and even then, at the end of their combined labors, they will know less about the primitive dwellers in Mexico than they know now about the Pelopponesians or the ancient Egyptians. Mexico's remote past is buried and buried well, but the imperishable carvings on the walls of these ruined temples and once-palatial residences bear mute witness to a love of the chase of the deer and the jaguar, far in excess of the outdoor spirit of Mexico today.

Shooting the game of this part of Mexico can scarcely be called hunting, for the furred and feathered kindred of the wild know so little about man that they almost come and examine the rifle or the shotgun as it lies in one's hand. I remember particularly, on a lonely trail in Chiapas, well up in the rough, timbered mountains, killing a deer late one afternoon. The echo of the shot had scarcely died away amid the peaks when a second buck walked out into the trail not fifty feet from where I stood. He stopped stock still, looked at me with what seemed curiosity, and then deliberately walked down the little path toward me. I had no use for more meat, and his head was not exceptionally good, so I stepped to one side, giving him about three or four feet in which to pass. On he came, and actually walked past me at a distance in which I could have touched his gray back with the muzzle of the rifle.

It seems impossible that he should not have seen me, and his hearing was certainly good, for when he had passed me by about twenty feet, I let out a yell sufficient to wake the sleeping kings in some of the ruins round about, and he leaped into the underbrush like a flash and was gone.

It does not do, however, to trust a jaguar thus. He will come down the trail toward you, he has no fear whatever, but he will not pass you. Either you or he is going to die right there, and it is my principle when I know a jaguar sees me, to get him first.

My mozzo and myself met a small "tiger," as the natives call the jaguar, on a trail in the isthmus of Tehuantepec about six o'clock one morning. It is necessary to rise early, travel late and rest in the shade from ten to two o'clock when passing through this country, and we had been on the road, afoot, another mozo bringing the pack animals a hundred yards or so down the trail.

We came around a bend under an immense tree, and walked right onto this jaguar, coming down the hill as we were going up. He stopped, raised his head, glared at us a minute and came right along. Running like a flash, a rabbit crossed the path just behind him. His acute ears heard the patter of the rabbit's feet and he turned on all fours as on a pivot,

but the rabbit was gone, and the cat resumed his leisurely walk, still in our direction.

He was a small tiger, not more than five feet in length, and possibly two feet in height at the shoulders, but he had forgotten fear, and as he came his tail began to curl at the tip and to lash gently from side to side. At forty or fifty feet I concluded he had come close enough, and I put a .351 bullet between his eyes. He leaped straight up in the air, a habit which all jaguars have when shot, so far as my experience goes, at least, and came down on all fours.

Examination afterwards proved that the soft-nosed ball had mushroomed and literally made a paste out of his brains, lodging against the back wall of the skull, but he fell into a crouch as he came down, seemed about to leap forward and then dropped over on his side, stone dead.

The mozo declared that if I had not killed the jaguar, the cat would have come right on and attacked us, just as he would have leaped on a deer in the path. I have never seen a wild animal who would do this, and I believe that the man-smell and the general appearance of a human being, would turn the tiger aside, especially if the hunter shouted. Most animals are afraid of the human voice and I cannot believe the jaguar is an exception, though well-educated Mexicans, familiar with the ways of the spotted cat, tell me that it is afraid of nothing, and will attack anything that walks.

Among the most interesting features of this trip was the finding here and there throughout the forest, on the faces of cliffs, under a clump of great trees, or on the summit of some mound-covered ruin, of a great stone idol, representing no one knows what, but totally different from the carvings at San Juan de Teotihuacan, Hitla, or Palenque, way down in Yucatan.

To my questions regarding these, the few natives merely shrugged their shoulders, with nods of ignorance. It evidently had not occurred to them that anyone ever built these effigies, that here some primitive Phidias planned and carved and then became dust beneath the feet of his imperishable statues. Some day this wonderful jungle-land will be opened to science, and then we may know something of an empire that was greater than either the Pharaohs or the Ptolemies and whose sculptors were as capable as the image-cutters of Athens or Kannak or Thebes.

Everywhere I went, even in the Indian villages, I was treated as well as the miserably poor creatures could treat a stranger who did not speak their tongue, for we must remember that the language of these tribes is the same that it was one thousand or ten thousand years ago, and most of them know very few words of Spanish. Their homes are wattled grass, their clothing the cheapest cotton, often only a square cloth woven by hand from the native fibre plants, while their food is thin cakes of cornmeal called tortillas, beans, and fruit from the wild trees of the jungle. They are not hunters, and never will be; they are too lazy and too indifferent, but they are fairly good guides, though they have little of that unerring sense of direction when off the trail which is possessed in so marked a degree by the Indians of the northern United States.

The consequence of their not being hunters, except in a small way, is that there is very little wild meat eaten in the southern part of Mexico except by the foreigners who occupy lonely posts in the lumber, rubber, chicle, or mining trade.

With one more experience, I must close this paper. I had the unique pleasure of riding up the Usumacinta river, in an eight-oared war canoe, an adventure seldom if ever before enjoyed by a white man. I had made friends with the chief of a small tribe, who was going to visit the head man in another tribe, and in this way he carried me for more than one hundred miles along this winding river, from the border lands of Chiapas over into the middle of the peninsula of Yucatan. From there I found that it was easier to come back to the Pacific coast, take steamer for some northern port, Manzanillo in this instance, come across to Mexico City and then go down the east coast by steamer to Yucatan, than to go across the territory of the fierce and treacherous Mayas, into the capital of the famous peninsula.

GOSSIP FOR SPORTSMEN.

Things have gone to the devil generally on the Suisun marsh this year. Such doings and conditions have never been known before in the history of the marsh. It is just shot to pieces. There have not been ten sprig killed on the Suisun marsh proper in the last three weeks. They have left in a body—bag and baggage. Teal, mallard and canvasback ditto. Literally driven out—scared to death. So states one of the "old timers."

Last year one or two of the clubs commenced shooting a little afternoons preceding regular shooting days, which are Wednesdays and Sundays. For years it has been an unwritten law on the Suisun marsh in regard to these two shooting days, and has been faithfully and honorably adhered to until recently.

But this year real sportsmen went begging and the gamehog took full possession of affairs on several of the preserves and utterly ruined the shooting, not only for themselves, but for the balance. Men who have shot for twenty-four years on the marsh were asking one another, "Where are the sprigs this year?" In former seasons at this time the very best shooting was to be had. But during all of this month December no birds were killed outside of a few spoonies or an occasional "hospital" duck that was too sick to get across the track out to the bay.

It was reported and well known that on two of the clubs a hired man shoots on days between regular shooting days for the special benefit of whom it may concern.

On three or four of the preserves the shooting commences about three o'clock every Tuesday and Saturday afternoon and is kept up until just before dark. Any old hunter will tell you that such a state of affairs would drive the birds away from the marsh in a body. Sprig are especially migratory birds. A band of canvasback or teal or spoonbills or widgeon will stick to a section until the big rains finally drive them away. But sprig are capricious and wary and at the slightest undue influence they will leave in a body. They are here today and there tomorrow. And the truth of all this has at last been forced on the members of the various preserve clubs. Several of them have already taken their kits down for the winter. "No use going up there any more," they said; "there are no birds."

And even among those who have been the most persistent in this injudicious slaughter the word is passed that it is advisable to stop the practice. Almost everyone interested, in general conversation is talking about the necessity of forming an association for next year to confine the shooting to two days a week, the same as before. All now see the folly of trying to overdo a good thing.

Sunday, December 19, four men killed ninety-five birds on an island down at the bay shore, including fifty sprig and twenty-five canvasback. But on the Suisun marsh proper there were hardly fifty birds killed among twenty men, and the birds all spoonies at that. The birds have been driven off the marsh by undue shooting. Another condition is that it would be advisable to bar all keepers and hired men from shooting for the members next year. Certainly anything so unsportsmanlike as that should meet with the unanimous condemnation of all sportsmen.

That undue eagerness and enthusiasm is what really carried most of these sinners out of the regular path of sportsmanship, rather than any premeditated plan either to get more ducks than the law allows or to injure their fellow sportsmen, is believed by the older Suisun frequenters. But now it is clearly evident that too much shooting is impracticable, all concerned would be willing to embrace the first opportunity to control matters on an association basis. But it is impossible to be both a sportsman and a gamehog—a man must decide to be either one or the other.

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Not for many years have local duck-hunting sportsmen observed such a disappointing scarcity of wild fowl in the bay counties hunting districts. What in past seasons has been generally the most enjoyable period for the trigger-pullers has turned out, for about four weeks now, an exasperating dearth of ducks at many favorite shooting resorts.

Along the east San Pablo shores, for instance, in past seasons canvasbacks and bluebills have been most plentiful at this time of the month, and splendid shooting has been the vogue all along the shores from Berkeley up to Rodeo. Northern birds were in evidence by the thousands. Not this year, however. Just where the northern flight is, and why the birds are not in the upper bay, is a puzzle that experienced bay gunners cannot answer.

It is true that there is quite a showing of these birds in San Pablo bay, but they are evidently wised up to shore-line dangers and do not "work in" during the daytime. As an instance of webfooted wariness, one well-known hunter had over 100 decoys out, near his blind off Sobrante, one Sunday; four ducks was his reward for an all-day vigil in the blind. In that section, last December, "can" limits were frequently shot by 10 a. m., sometimes earlier.

Alameda marsh duck ponds, most of them, are also on the waiting list for the expected feathered bands. Fair shooting was had Sunday a fortnight ago by Fred Herron and Ted Butler on the Hesse ponds, near Alvarado. Lou Schroeder's trip to the nearby Mudhen Club pond was rewarded with a small string of birds, mostly spoonbills.

Many of the Alameda marsh gunners have had ample time to forage over adjoining pasture tracts for mushrooms. The south bay has been covered with rafts of wild ducks recently. The bombardment they were subjected to since the opening days has evidently schooled the birds to slip into the baited ponds and other feeding places at night and rest on the bay waters during the daytime. Across the bay, along the Redwood City and San Mateo shores, bay blind gunners have had fairly good shooting the past ten days.

The Petaluma and Sonoma marshes as well as the Black Point bay shores have offered poor shooting recently. Farther north, however, in the Napa marshes, near the bay shore, better sport has been available.

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Where have the Suisun sprig gone?

Most probably up to the Butte creek overflow section—and in the rice stubble fields of that district. Millions of ducks and geese are in that section.

The recent rains have scattered the birds pretty well, and the shooting on the preserves has not been overly good recently. That is where the wild fowl are and also all of the northern migrants that have come down, and it is more than probable the birds will stay there as long as the good feed holds out. There is nothing particularly tempting in the feed line between the upper Sacramento valley country and the Imperial valley grain fields or the Colorado delta.

Down around Los Banos and Dos Palos, in the San Joaquin valley, the recent rains have formed many ponds. The reports recently are that teal and sprig have been fairly numerous.

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While the quail season has recently been better than it has been at any time this year, the sportsmen were bemoaning the fact that they had to suspend operations with the passing of 1915.

The quail season has not been favorable this year for the reason that the first part of the period was too dry, making it impossible to use dogs with any degree of success. The birds were numerous enough, but they were hard to bag until after the rains set in, since which time the sportsmen have been more successful in the pursuit of them.

The number of birds killed this season has been far below the usual number, all of which augurs well for a good season next year with the proper weather conditions, as there will be a large crop of breeding stock left.

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Cottontail rabbits have been more plentiful in California this year than ever before, which is accounted for by the protection given them by the State laws. Hunters who have been seeking these little animals as a rule return with the limit, and the sport is good in almost any section, except where floods occurred last year. While the cottontails are plentiful everywhere in the State, they are more numerous in the sections where they can get green feed all the time.

Many prefer cottontail to other wild game for eating purposes, they being considered a great delicacy. The season closed yesterday, after which time they can not be molested until October 15, 1916.

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Steelhead angling in the coast streams of district No. 2 has not, with the exception of Paper Mill creek, offered anything like the good sport of past seasons. Russian river advices state that the river is clearing and running down and the prospect for good fishing in the near future is excellent. Near Duncan's Mills a number of trout have been caught the past week.

THE A. K. C. REGISTRATION RULE.

Since the American Kennel Club sent out notice that only dogs, the sire and dam of which both are registered in the A. K. C. stud book, would be eligible to registration after January 1, 1916, a great many letters have been received asking the rules governing registration, address of the A. K. C. and whether it was true that no dog born after January 1 would be eligible to registration unless proper notice was mailed to Kennel Club by this date. The rules under which a dog may be registered in the American Kennel Club are:

1. American bred dogs are only eligible by virtue of the previous registration of both sire and dam in the American Kennel Club stud book.

2. Foreign bred dogs are only eligible if their pedigree can be established for three full generations of both sire and dam.

3. Any imported dog registered in the English stud book must retain its English registration name followed by (Eng.) when applying for registration in the American Kennel Club stud book.

4. The breeder of a dog is the person either owning or leasing the bitch at the time of service.

5. No change in the registered name of a dog will be permitted after December 31 of the year of registering.

6. In changing ownership the original stud book number will be retained, and if re-registered the dog will be entered in a subsequent volume of the stud book the same as an original registration.

7. In applying for change of name or ownership the original registry receipt properly indorsed must be returned.

8. No kennel name will be recognized in connection with the ownership or breeding of a dog unless such kennel name has been previously registered with the American Kennel Club and approved by the stud book committee.

All dogs whelped prior to January 1 do not have to be registered, but it is necessary that their sire and dam both be registered. The address of the Kennel Club is 1 Liberty street, New York.

Underground Elk Dentistry.—A curious fact was developed in the recent round-up of elk at Buttonwillow, in Kern county, none other than that the teeth or tusks of the bull elk were uniformly missing. These teeth, as is well known, are prized as charms by members of the Order of Elks and therefore have a commercial value. The teeth are not used or needed for mastication by the animals and it is said that at a previous round-up many elk were roped and the teeth extracted. Also, the story goes, that vaqueros have frequently lassoed the animals and pulled the teeth. In any event, of some fifty bull elks examined, none had the usual teeth and presumably many a member of the B. P. O. E. is wearing an elk tooth charm at the expense of the antlered herd at Buttonwillow.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

WHEN THE ALL-AMERICAN TEAM WENT A-SHOOTING ACROSS THE SEA.

[By Billy Bowlegs.]

In 1901 an American trap team journeyed to England and wised the Britons to several angles of the blooie game they wot not of. The story of that classy gang of gunpointers may prove interesting to readers of the Breeder and Sportsman, so here's where it flickers.

Paul North of Cleveland, Ohio, is the man who really discovered that the British were ripe and a great deal of the American team's success can be blamed on him. The details were arranged by Tom Marshall, team captain for the Americans, and by Captain Butts for our cousins overseas. The big noise happened in happy June time, on the Middlesex Gun Club's grounds in dear old Lunnun town. In giving the American team's personnel each gunman's Indian handle also is hitched on. Headed by Chief Long Talk Tom Marshall, Keithsburg, Ill., the others were: Heap Talk Fred Gilbert, Spirit Lake, Ia.; Dago Charlie Budd, Des Moines, Ia.; Kinnikinic Bill Crosby, O'Fallon, Ill.; Bold Eagle Rollo Heikes, Dayton, O.; Bullhead Jack Fanning, New York; Brook Trout Jim Elliott, Kansas City; High Kick Dick Merrill, Milwaukee, and Buffalo Hump Frank Parmelee, Omaha. Substitutes were Ernie Tripp, of Indianapolis, and Ed Banks, of New York.

Others who made the journey were: Emil Werk and daughter, of Cincinnati; Paul North and wife, Cleveland; Frank Harrison, Jersey City; Roy Woodward and Harry Getchell, of Brockton, Mass.

The men shot at 100 birds each, 18 yards' rise, unknown angles. There were five trap houses and fifteen traps, three in each pit. The match was best three in five for a purse of $10,000. The British were allowed the use of both barrels, the Yanks being limited to one.

Well, all the details were finally arranged and came a time when the referee started the chosen twenty on their historical test of skill. Tom Marshall led off, drew a screaming left angle and snuffed the clay close up in his usual brilliant style, giving a hint of what was coming from that gang of fast pointing, hard shooting invaders. And come it did, so speedy and true that the Yankees won the first fest by a margin of 63 kills. The second race was such an easiness—Uncle's men 81 to the good.

But the third and last foray of this fruit gathering expedition was "petty" larceny, pure and simple. Honestly, it was a crime. The Jay Bulls never had a look-in—they couldn't even get started to peek, so fast was the pace—and the final try, the mix that meant "Come to me, mazuma," showed the childers of Sammy IT by 93 majority. Of course, there was heap much happy gladhand stuff at the finish, for the Brits were game losers. In fact, they figured the match had been lost to their own people, after all, so why grouch or feel sad?

By this time the tight little isles were hep that your Uncle's chosen band was a tough outfit, but the canny Scots were from Mizzou, so the team trekked to Glasgow and performed the pleasing operation of separating the Highlanders from a wad. It was awfully easy, for the bur-r- boys refused any handicap, but the foxy Scotch put up only 500 washers. Then came an individual race between a Kilty named Faulds and the Hon. "T. Bill" Crosby, who hails from the state that owns Auroaria, Peroaria and Chicawgo. This affair was a little surprise party to "T. Willie." The match was at 200 birds each, 100 being thrown from a tower, and "Kinnikinic" was hep to that game about as much as a jaybird to Delsarte. But the old Illinois trapshark made good and gathered the corn. Tight squeak, though, for William won by only three birds.

Followed then a race by the Americans for a splendid cup given by the British, to determine who was champion of the invaders. It was a swell scramble and wound up with Charlie Budd and Fred Gilbert tied, both sons of Hawkeyeland. In the shoot-off the Spirit Lake wizard won a close race by a slender margin.

Paul North was so tickled over the way the British donated that he piloted the boys to London and gave them a big blowout at Hotel Cecil, a swagger indigestion breedery. This eats was full brother to another feed at the Royal Cafe, given by the Englishmen. Then one day the Americans hired a couple of vans to haul their money in, rambled down to the ocean, bought a ship and came home.

AT THE TRAPS.

Montana Traps—Nine of the members of the Deer Lodge Gun Club held a shoot at the local fair grounds December 12. On account of the cold weather, no out-of-town visitors were present, so no medals were contested for. There were five events, two of 15 birds each, one of 20, one of 25, and one of 12 pairs. The scores were as follows:

Events—	15	15	20	25	12
Lee Williams	15	10	17	..	20
Tippett	12	12	19	20	20
Larabie	9	12	18	17	17
McMullen	12	11	17	21	..
Ray Williams	13	10	..	..	..
Bennett	11	12	17	20	..
Coleman	14	15	17	22	18
Valiton	13	12	17	..	18
C. Bielenberg	..	12	16	..	..

Orange Belt Trap Shoot.—Harry Cline won a leg on the Wilshire trophy last Sunday morning, which was contested for at 50 targets at the traps of the Vernon Gun Club, by breaking 47 out of the half-century. Cline was shooting the eyes and ears out of the targets and didn't flinch once during his performance. He declared that one of the birds he missed was a cast-iron one and that he discovered his firing pin was made of rubber when he missed the other two. Cline has been shooting regularly at the Vernon Club since the trophy has been put up, but this is his first leg on the prize. Three wins and the trophy becomes his for keeps. Two more scores like he made last Sunday and he will have little difficulty in copping the cup.

Although it was the last Sunday in which local shooters could hunt quail, twenty-four shooters favored the Vernon Club with their attendance and competed in both practice and the trophy shoot.

Stanton Bruner was high gun in the practice shoot with 94 dead birds out of 100 shot at. The final shoot of the year on the blackbird watch fobs was also added in the trophy shoot, the scores on the prize counting on the fobs.

Cline won a fob in class C, Stanton Bruner in class B, Dr. Packard and Frank Mellus tied for a fob in class A and Manderville won in class D.

Second high gun in the trophy contest ended in a three-cornered tie. Frank Mellus, "Doc" Packard and Stanton Bruner each broke 46 out of the 50. The scores are as follows:

Wilshire trophy shoot of 50 targets, and practice shooting—

		Handicap.		Practice.	
Name.	Yds.	Birds	Bke.	Birds	Bke.
C. B. Monaghan...	18	50	44	50	47
William Pugh	18	50	44	25	21
S. A. Bruner.....	18	50	46	100	94
Harry Cline	17	50	47	75	62
Manderville	16	50	45	75	60
James Funk	16	..	..	50	33
C. White	16	50	45	100	82
Paul Halcomb	16	50	36	75	60
A. W. Bruner	16	50	43	25	21
J. P. Dierdoff.....	18	50	45	25	22
O. Evans	18	50	42	..	..
Len Mellus	18	50	37	25	19
H. D. Blanchard...	18	50	45	50	44
Roy Capp	16	..	..	25	17
Lloyd Garrison ...	18	50	37	25	18
C. E. Groat	18	50	43	25	20
Mrs. C. E. Groat...	16	50	43	25	21
Dr. Packard	19	50	46	..	..
T. P. Smith	18	50	45	25	44
Frank Mellus	19	50	46	25	24
M. A. Rees	16	50	32	25	32
F. H. Nichols	16	50	38	..	..
George Melford ...	17	50	39	25	21

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Registered Tournaments For 1916.—The Interstate Association, through Secretary E. Reed Shaner, requests us to: "Please state in Breeder and Sportsman, for the benefit of gun clubs that intend applying for Registered Tournaments, that application blanks and the literature explaining our 1916 policy will be put into the mails about the tenth of January."

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION NOTES.

At the present time there is an unprecedented revival on throughout the country in rifle shooting, brought about by the enactment of a law by Congress last year authorizing the free issue of rifles and ammunition to rifle clubs organized by civilians. Under this act ten citizens in any locality can organize themselves into a government rifle club and adopt by-laws approved by the Secretary of War. The club then affiliates with the National Rifle Association of America and is issued by the War Department one new Krag rifle for every five members of the club and 120 rounds of ammunition to each member annually for use on the rifle range. The work of organizing the clubs, looking after them, issuing decorations and medals, and classifying their work, was put in the hands of the National Rifle Association of America by the War Department and this organization, which for forty-two years has been working to make rifle shooting a popular sport in this country, has suddenly sprung into prominence through its co-operation with the government by the organization of these clubs. Within the last year the association reports that it has completed the organization of over 400 clubs, not only in the United States proper but in Porto Rico, Canal Zone, Alaska and Hawaii. Over a million and a half rounds of ammunition has been issued to these clubs during the year and about 3,000 rifles. The possibilities of this movement are unlimited and depend only upon the securing of range facilities where such clubs can carry on their work. With this object in view Congress will be asked at this session to provide for a Commission to investigate the entire subject of range construction from a national defense standpoint, survey the entire country and recommend a permanent national policy of range construction and localities where such range construction and localities where such ranges should be constructed. In addition the National Rifle Association will ask for a national charter and an annual appropriation of $25,000 from Congress to assist it in carrying on the work as it should be done. Although the Association has a perfect organization with secretaries and branches in every State there is no way in which it can reimburse these secretaries for their traveling expenses and time, and it is hardly to be expected that these men, who are active and prominent in business, should devote their time and money to this work without reimbursement.

The National Board for Promotion of Rifle Practice has also been very badly handicapped for the lack of funds to carry out its plans for the broadening of the rifle movement in a proper national manner, and to meet this the Secretary of War will ask that the amount of money now available for the Board, which is only $10,000, be increased to $50,000 and that this money be made available for the purchase of target supplies for issue to rifle clubs and to pay markers on State ranges where targets are put at the disposal of civilian clubs, as under the present regulations the State military departments can not pay the marker's salary except when working for the National Guardsmen. So, taking everything into consideration, the future for rifle shooting in this country looks very bright and if Congress gives the help and additional encouragement to the clubs it will only be a very short while before we will have half a million qualified military marksmen in this country, which will be a very valuable asset in any scheme of preparing volunteers in this country for military service.

One very satisfactory feature of the rifle club work is the way that the whole question has been approached by big employers. Many of the largest corporations of the country have endorsed the plan of organizing Government rifle clubs among their employees and in some cases have assisted financially in furnishing ranges for clubs. These corporations take the stand that it is beneficial all around to have their men spend their time on the rifle range Saturday afternoons and Sundays where they get the benefit of the outdoor life and fresh air, giving good health which is so conducive to efficiency of employees and which in many cases take the men away from saloons, pool rooms and like resorts. Successful clubs are maintained at many plants and the interest in these clubs seems to be on the increase, their membership growing larger constantly and larger turnouts reported at the ranges.

Another prolific source for the organization of government rifle clubs is the semi-military fraternal organizations. The order of Maccabees have about completed the organization of over sixty clubs among their different branches and will begin active work on the ranges after the first of the year. The Order of Woodmen also have several successful clubs.

One of the most prominent features of the work of the National Rifle Association is the league matches which it runs off on gallery ranges during the winter, the object being to keep the men interested in shooting as well as keeping them in constant training so that they will be in better shape for their outdoor work during the spring and summer. Several of these league matches are War Department matches but are held under the management of the National Rifle Association. In the Interclub match, which is a War Department competition, 72 clubs that cover the entire United States have entered teams in the competition. This will make six leagues of 12 clubs each lettered from Class A to Class F inclusive. The first three classes are arranged according to the order in which these clubs finished in the 1915 competition and all the other classes are composed of new clubs, showing the great increase in this small-bore work. Last year only 36 clubs entered the matches so that there are double the number this year. It is expected the matches will begin the week ending December 25 and they will last for 11 weeks. The winning team in each class will receive medals, but any club in any of the classes can win the national trophy if they make the highest grand aggregate in all the matches. Each club will be represented by a team of ten competitors, the five highest scores to count for the team's weekly record. Each man will fire 20 shots prone at 75 feet using .22 caliber rifles with sights other than telescopic anywhere on the rifle. The target used has a half-inch counting bull with concentric rings one-quarter inch apart, the sighting bull being 2 inches in diameter. There is also a large entry for the intercollegiate league matches. These will begin the week ending January 15 and will also last for 11 weeks. The inter high-school matches and the military school matches will begin the same time. Efforts are being made to get out the targets for the first match in the school and college matches so that the teams can shoot their first match before the Christmas holidays. In these matches the old target with one and one-half inch sighting bull will be gone back to. The shooting as formerly will all be done at 50 feet, using the .22 caliber rifle and short cartridges.

Rem-UMC Notes.

Edgar A. Miller, prominent trap shot of St. Louis, using a Remington pump gun won the 1915 Handicap Championship of the Missouri Athletic Association with an average of .9760, scoring 244 out of a possible 250.

C. H. Newcomb, the Penn State champion, is keeping up his good work in and about Philadelphia. Shooting Nitro Club shells, he tied for first place with F. S. Cantrell at a Holmsburg Jct., Pa., shoot recently, breaking 93 of his 100 targets.

The newly organized Lewisville (Ind.) Gun Club held an interesting shoot at which the three high guns, all shooting Nitro Club shells, were very evenly matched, F. Huber winning with a score of 46x50, while John Logan and C. Huber captured second and third places respectively, scoring 45x50 and 43x50.

THE FARM

PIGEONS.

We read much of the profit to be derived from raising pigeons for squabs, of the money to be made from the "slaughter of the innocents," but little as to their desirability as pets. Many a boy with his single pair or his small loft of fantails, Homers, Tumblers, Pouters or other varieties, will vouch for the fact that this is all wrong, that more solid enjoyment and interest can be extracted from his feathered pets than from a houseful of inanimate toys. Many a brain-weary professional man fiids needed relaxation, and life takes on a more roseate hue, in the company of his cooing and strutting friends. The loft may be a soap-box in the corner of some outbuilding, and shelter but a single pair of pigeons, or it may be more pretentious, and house a larger flock in greater variety. In any event, the pleasure derived is real, helpful, improving, and the cost small. A singlemated pair will give a start, and a small box in some out-of-the-way corner, with two nests, will serve them for a home. Many a city boy, with little or no ground space, has his pigeon coop on the roof of the house, and he is elevated in more senses than one by his associations there.

Aside from any utilitarian qualities they may possess, this family of birds is well worthy of the consideration of all country dwellers. Most people like to have about them some animals which are responsive to kind treatment. Most varieties of pigeons respond readily to kind attention, and many of them become very tame. The care and breeding of pigeons is also an excellent method of cultivating the faculty of close observation and careful attention to minute details, and is thus to be commended to any one, young or old.

In most of our cities large flocks of pigeons may be found building their nests and raising their young in the steeples of churches, towers of public buildings, and various other secure retreats. Belonging to no man, they seek their food in the streets, about warehouses, and wherever scattered grain may be found. I have seen them about ferry houses, and even on the ferry boats, walking unconcernedly about almost under the feet of the hurrying passengers. I have known clerks in some of the business offices to buy pigeon feed to scatter in the courts and on the window ledges to lure these aerial wayfarers where they could be observed, and thus enliven the monotony of the caged workers. And a hardened individual he must be who would harm one of these trusting innocents!

Why, then, should not the occupants of a country place enjoy the companionship of such easily raised and cheaply kept feathered pets? A point in their favor is that, if desired, they may be made to pay their way. The young of about all varieties make excellent squabs—if one have the heart to kill them. If not, and if good birds be procured for foundation stock, a fair income may be secured from the sale of breeders. I have in mind one boy, who started only a few years ago by keeping a few pigeons as pets, who has won prizes at some of our best shows, and now has a demand for bird beyond his ability to supply, at prices that most of us would consider high. His pets have much more than paid their way.

Pigeons form a family distinct from true poultry. The anatomical structure is entirely different. The male and female both sit on the nest, although, true to tradition, the male does only about one-fourth of the day's work. But the most singular distinction is the peculiar method by which the young are fed. The latter, unlike chickens, are helpless when hatched, and remain so until near maturity. They are fed in the nest by the parent birds, with what has sometimes been called "pigeon's milk," a curdy secretion produced in the crops of the parent birds only at hatching time, which is disgorged into the beaks of the young. After about three days, a little of the ordinary food of the pigeons is mingled with it, after which the curdy secretion decreases for about a week or ten days, when it ceases entirely.

The young reach full size in about a month or a little more, so that the stock may be increased very rapidly, as the female usually lays two more eggs before the young are out of the nest. Some varieties hatch and raise as many as six or eight pairs each year, and occasionally we hear of some that exceed this.

Our domestic pigeons are descendants of the Rock Dove, or Blue Rock Dove. It is a curious fact that none of the other species of doves is capable of domestication. The number of existing varieties into which pigeons have become divided is bewildering to the novice. The requirements for some of the varieties, according to show standards, hinge upon so slight a matter as a definite number of white feathers in a wing.

Most, if not all, of the varieties make good pets if properly handled. Probably the best guide in selecting the variety to be kept would be the personal preference of the one most interested.

The best known variety of pigeon is probably the Homer. Its distinguishing characteristic is its remarkable power of flight, and its attachment to its home. The birds of this variety are strongly built, yet trim and neat and pleasing to the eye. This is the variety most largely used for squab breeding, both pure-bred and crossed with Runts and other varieties, and hence are excellent for the amateur who wishes to make his pets pay their way by sacrificing them to market demands.

There are several different colors of Fantails, the white being the most popular. The Fantails are bred for a great spread of tail, which is carried upright, or rather forward, like a fan. The back is short, breast full, neck long and slender, and head carried upright, meeting the tail.

The Pouter has long, feathered legs, a long but slender body, an erect carriage, and has the power of filling the crop with air to an enormous extent, forming an almost perfect globe. This gives it a very odd appearance, and many fancy this variety on this account. There are several colors. A young Pigy Pouter, left an orphan, and given to a lady who fed it and cared for it, became so tame that it would ride on her shoulder all over the house and garden. If she were in a room filled with people, and gave a peculiar call, the bird would seek her out at once, and manifest unmistakable affection.

One old faicier, who has kept a large number of varieties, declares that he considers the Short-faced Tumblers the best for pets, though, owing to their peculiar method of flight, they are often the victims of hawks and crows. The Tumbler is a small bird, with a peculiar carriage, globular head and diminutive beak. Its singular method of turning somersaults, or tumbling, in its flight, gives the name. Some very highly bred specimens have this quality to such an extent as to be almost incapable of flight. Their peculiar antics are very amusing. Of the same class are the Parlor Tumblers, still less capable of flight, and much more given to tumbling or rolling.

Those mentioned are probably the leading varieties kept for pets, though there are several other candidates, each with its peculiar recommendations. Jacobins, Turbits, Owls, Dragoons, Swallows and Magpies are a few of the other varieties to be noted. The only way to settle as to the variety to be kept for pleasure is to study the different kinds, select the one which, considered all around, is pleasing. It may be necessary to breed and handle several kinds before a choice is finally made. But there cannot fail to be much pleasure derived, as well as knowledge acquired, in the operation.

In preparing quarters for any breed of pigeons, bear in mind that each pair requires two nests, for the reason that the female lays her second hatching of eggs and begins to set on them before the first pair of young are large enough to leave the nest. And be sure to provide plenty of nesting material if you keep them confined. Pine needles are excellent for this purpose.—Rural World.

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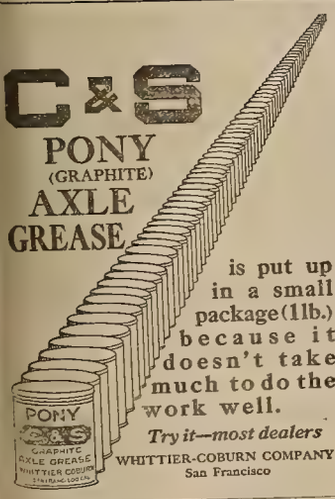
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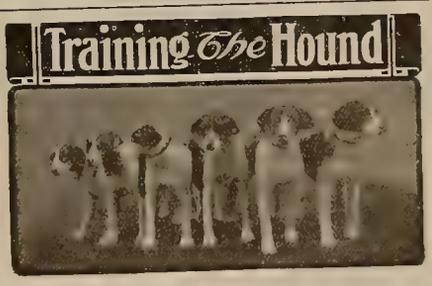
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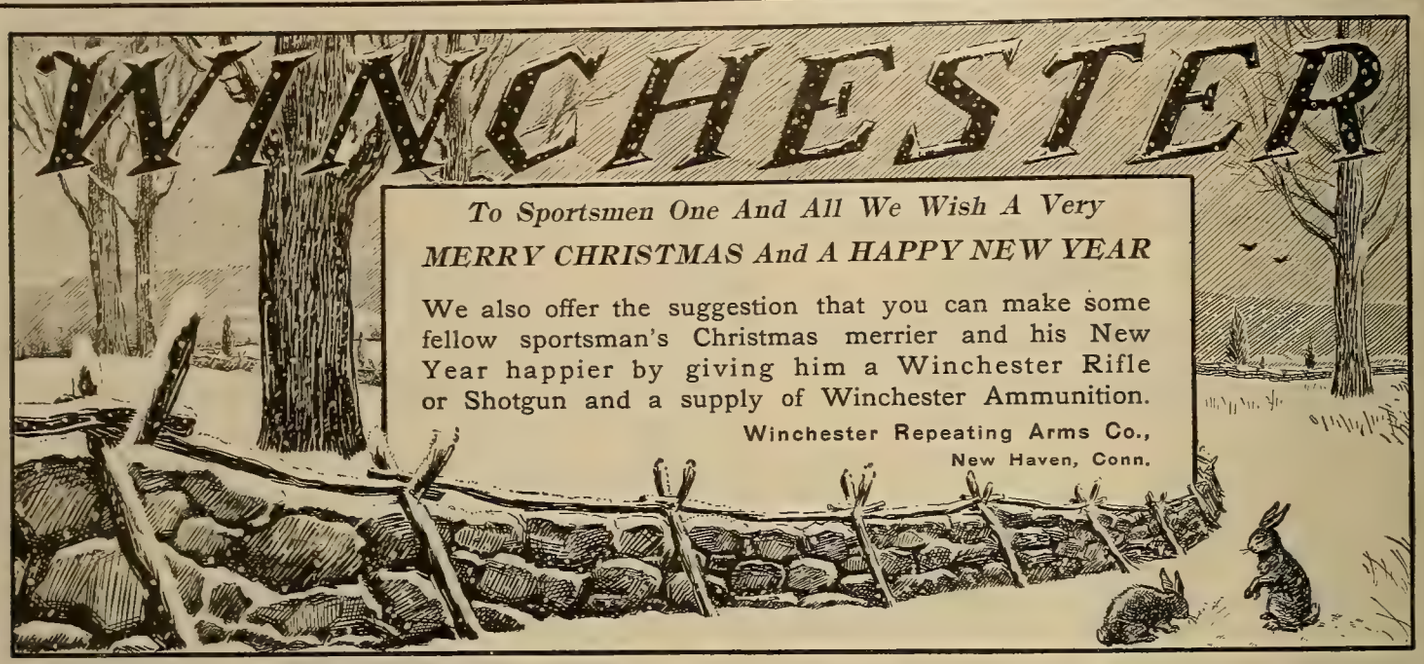
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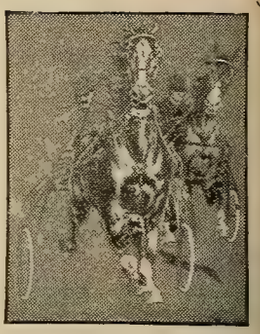


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The returns from the recent Chicago sale lay especial emphasis upon the necessity of condition in animals sent to the great public sales from this or any other section of the land. The California patrons of the event spared no pains in picking from the best of their offerings to get together a consignment that in the whole would be truly representative of the California trotter as he really is, but for some reason they apparently failed to take the proper precautions needed to land their animals at the ring side in first-class condition. This applies most especially, from information obtainable at this distance from visitors to the auction, to the band that went from the northern portion of the state, though those from the south reached the Windy City market in a condition that was none too good.

A letter from a prominent eastern trainer who was among those present, a man who was a steadfast booster for the Prince Ansel family in particular, bears the word that Prince Ansel, his youngsters and the few mares that formed the balance of the consignment from the Woodland Stock Farm, reached the sales pavilion "in a most deplorable condition." Prince Ansel was low in flesh, weak, and presented the general appearance of a horse that was all in, not merely temporarily but permanently; the mares presented an unkempt, unattractive appearance, and the weanlings were so weak that their buyers are up against the task of feeding them for some weeks to get them to a point where they will have sufficient strength to stand breaking and handling. Under these circumstances, it is not to be wondered at that the grand old horse, with apparently many years of usefulness before him, should have sold at a price less than two hundred dollars, that the mares should have gone to new owners for practically nothing, and that the well bred colts and fillies should have been "butchered to make a Roman holiday."

It is asking the impossible of buyers, especially in view of the general state of the trotting horse market, to expect them to pay good prices, or even reasonably fair prices, for animals in this sort of shape, no matter what their breeding or their inherent qualities of excellence. Gold in its natural state would be passed by unrecognized by a very great majority of people, and an uncut diamond is a thing of little value when held up beside the finished product for comparison. To bring a price on the market these days, a brood mare even if she be a famous producer, must show virility and "good keeping qualities," while youngsters, especially weanlings, must be well grown, husky and full of life and spirit. To send any other kind to market is to invite disaster, and the invitation will be accepted without hesitation or apology. Horses cannot be jerked up out of paddock or pasture, railroaded for days at a stretch with indifferent attention enroute, and arrive at a sale ring in shape to sell. Sellers must be fitted to sell with all the care that campaigners are fitted to race if prices in keeping with their real value are to be realized, and this lesson is one that western breeders must take to heart if they are to ship successfully across the continent to market. Their own interests, as well as the good name of the California trotter, demand it, and we hope that never again will it be said of a shipment of locally bred animals that they reached the market in a "deplorable condition." They must reach there not merely in fair shape, but in prime shape—otherwise they had best be kept at home.

Even men whose natural senses are defective in some manner or another realize the important part that condition plays in contributing to the "tout ensemble" that constitutes real attractiveness in a horse. Some years ago before the motor had swept the highclass road horse from our city streets two men, excellent judges of horse flesh, were standing on a busy corner when an especially attractive outfit went breezing past. "Man!" exclaimed one of them enthusiastically, "Look at that bird of a trotter."

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With the season of 1915 put once and forever behind them, and with January turning into its second week, the opening of the breeding season in this particular section of the world is not many moons removed, so that it behooves the owners of both brood mares and stallions to begin laying their plans for the year's activities along this line. The wise stallioneer is the one who gets his horse or horses before the public early and keeps them there throughout the season while the wily brood mare owner will soon begin to study of "pedigree and performance" as a means of determining to what stallion he will send his favorite mares. The mediums that bring the two together are announcements, through the trotting turf press, the stallion card and the season folder, all of which this office is in position to furnish to the very best advantage to all concerned. When midsummer rolls around the Breeder and Sportsman will have rounded out its thirty-fourth year of usefulness to horsemen of the Pacific Coast, and with the passing of the Pacific Horse Review and the apparent elimination of the horse department from the pages of the North Pacific Rural Spirit, it becomes the sole far western servant of the horse breeder. For no season of this long term of life has it failed to put owners of the two sexes of trotters into touch with each other and each other's horses, and in that time no stallion has risen to prominence in this state, or its nearest neighbors, whose fame has not been enhanced and the pocketbook of his owner enriched through the judicious patronage of our business pages and by means of advertising in other forms which emanated from this office.

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To brood mare owners we would say, watch the Breeder and Sportsman for the cards of the various horses that will be in service in California this season, study them carefully to acquaint yourselves with their blood lines, their performances on the turf, and their achievements in the stud. Then mate each of your mares with the one horse whose blood should best nick with hers, according to your knowledge of speed production, and nominate her, at the proper time, in every futurity on the coast to which she is eligible. Haphazard breeding is no longer profitable (or rather it was never so), as the market for any kind of a trotter save one that will do to race is no longer worth breeding horses for, and a good youngster without futurity engagements is just about as useful as a shirt without a tail—and in just about as great demand.

We are fully aware of the trials that have beset the horse breeder in this section for the last several years, and of the considerable decrease in breeding operations, a decrease that will have the effect of putting just so many dollars more on the price of every really good trotting bred horse in the not far distant future. The eventual establishment of district fairs in this state is inevitable, a modification in the present laws prohibiting race-track gambling in every form is not improbable, and with the coming of either district fairs or pari-mutuals the price of trotters and pacers will go upward with a rush. We are in hard straits at present, as no one will deny, but our condition will be bettered with the coming years. The wise breeder will prepare against that day.

Some years ago when thoroughbred racing was abolished practically throughout the United States, the owners of mares of that class found themselves in much the same predicament in which the harness horse breeders are involved at present—perhaps worse, for the trotting mare has a wider field of usefulness than her less generally serviceable sister. And about the best use an owner could devise for his matrons was to breed them to jacks, a practice that for some seasons was not unusual, or if he held a particular grudge against some ancient enemy he could even all scores by wishing onto him a big band of thoroughbred mares. There was no market in the country for a colt of pure lineage of the running strains, and the result was that breeding of that class of horses was practically discontinued for a term of years. Then came the swing of the pendulum in the other direction, and owners of good colts found themselves well prepared to fill the fast growing demand for them at fair prices. In fact, there were not a sufficient number of thoroughbreds of real quality to go around, hence the European visits of the emissaries of various wealthy horsemen and their return with goodly numbers of foreign bred young things. At this writing, the owner of a really good mare has the satisfaction of knowing that if he breeds her to the proper sire he has every chance in the world of disposing of the resultant foal at a handsome profit, and the thoroughbred revival has not yet gotten well into its stride. There are yet a good many horses well along in years that are able to go to the post and bring home the bacon occasionally, but the ranks of this class are rapidly being thinned, so that when the last of them are gone the demand for the younger ones that are up and coming will be just so much more pronounced, with prices just so much higher. Now is dawning the day of harvest for the few men who maintained their breeding operations even in a curtailed fashion in the face of the discouragements of the past several seasons, and the experiences of the breeders of the trotter will be found to run in similar lines.

Retrenchment at this moment is not going to improve your condition. Keep going, keep breeding good mares to good stallions, keep nominating the foals, keep training them and going to what races are available, and some day you will find that you have worked out your own salvation and that of a lot of other good men and true, and you will be well repaid for all the dark days that have been your lot.

THE THOROUGHBRED AND THE FAIR.

While once in a while we strike an "orthodox" harness horseman who can see absolutely no good whatever in the recent suggestion from the members of the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association that the thoroughbred be given recognition in making up the speed programs of the county and district fairs throughout the state and that the two interests pool their resources and join hands in the fight for a state subsidy for fairs and the enactment of ameliorating legislation, the general run of men with whom we have talked the matter over realize that much might be accomplished for the good of the cause through such concerted action, and feel that the proper steps should be taken to bring about a union of what have, in the past, been "warring factions." Personally, the editor of this publication, while fully aware of the numerous obstacles that must be met and overcome before such a consummation is within the range of practicability and possibility, is heartily in favor of making a try at it. It has been done before with excellent results, as, for example, at the Arizona State Fair, and there is no really valid reason why it cannot be done throughout a circuit of smaller fairs, such as those we have here in California.

We would appreciate the expressions of horsemen of both persuasions in regard to the proposition, as in that manner the key to the situation may best be devised. State your views to us personally or by letter, and don't be afraid to speak right out in meeting.

The Blue Cross and the Great War

JOHN ASHTON, BRITISH GAZETTE

"And for these also, O Lord, the humble beasts, who, with us, bear the burden and heat of the day, and offer their guileless lives for the well-being of their masters, we entreat Thy most tender love of heart. See Thou not unmoved the cruel blow and the sharp goad. Thy beasts, kindly Master, Saviour of the world!"

This beautiful and touching prayer from the Russian Liturgy of St. Basil, written A. D. 370, is still remembered, in principle, by the Cossack when he sallies forth to battle, mounted on his fleet and wiry steed the Arab of the Steppes. While praying for his own salvation he does not forget to intercede for his horse, for he estimates and appreciates the value of his faithful servitor at its true worth. He is well aware, too, like a general of troops, like the Bedouin of the desert, like the cowboy of the west, like the vaquero of the pampas, how very essential to him is the fitness and well-being of his horses.

It was Buffon, the great French philosopher and naturalist, who declared that the greatest conquest man ever made was when he subjugated and tamed the wild horse and made the noble beast his servitor and helpmeet. We have recently seen accounts in the press wherein writers with more sentiment than specific knowledge of the subject have seriously predicted that mechanical vehicles would, in the near future, entirely supplant horses, and other beasts of burden, for military purposes; so that, consequently, the terrible suffering endured by our innocent dumb friends in warfare would be avoided. Unfortunately such utopian desires will never be realized. The horse is for ever predestined to pay his share of the sacrifices demanded by war. As well might a general think of equipping his army without guns or rifles as to dispense with horses. Without horses (or some animal equivalent, at least) his field artillery would be useless; and his men must have their supplies, and wounded must be evacuated in regions inaccessible to motor-driven vehicles. Then of course cavalry will always be an indispensable element of an army in the field.

Indeed, it almost seems an anomaly, living as we do in a mechanical age, as it were, to note how dependent we are on the horse's energy and versatility for the successful conduct of military operations. Despite the incredible and unprecedented number of automobiles and motor wagons of various descriptions being employed in the great war, never was the need of horses more forcibly felt, never were their services more appreciated, and never were they employed in such vast numbers in warfare previously. As to their effectiveness and the role they have played in this war, to only cite what happened in the preliminary days of the conflict would amply justify the most flattering eulogiums in behalf of our friend the horse. We know that in the famous retreat from Mons, the (at that time) "little army" of Marshal French was in grave danger of being captured or annihilated by the tremendous strength of the Germans, greatly superior in numbers. The grip was tightening on his two flanks; almost every road was blocked; the road leading into the fortified town of Maubeuge (still held by the French at that time) was purposely left open by the Germans, as the latter expected that French would allow his toops to be driven, like sheep to the fold, into the false security of a fortified town. But French was too wary for that; he knew that the fate of his whole army would have been sealed had he entered Maubeuge—it would have been a second Sedan. The rear-guard actions fought in that memorable retreat form one of the most gloriously epic pages in Britain's history. But all this would have been to no purpose had it not been for the magnificent work of the English cavalry, fighting and riding like demons to prevent the enveloping tactics of the Teutons. Thus the retreat was successfully carried out in good order, almost to the gates of Paris; then the English army re-formed, turned about, and together with the French delivered the staggering blow to the Germans at the battle of Marne.

The Germans, too, are indebted to the horse for many of their initial successes of the campaign, when great masses of their cavalry swept all over Belgium and the north of France, moving at a great pace, like swarms of hungry locusts. And later in their eastern operations the rapidity of their advance in Courland and Lithuania has been due to their formidable and numerous cavalry contingents; while, at the time of writing, we learn that the junction of the Germano-Austrian and Bulgarian armies was effected by means of rapid cavalry tactics.

True that since the trench mode of warfare became imperative, cavalry work has been relegated to the second place, yet it should not be surmised that horse regiments have been altogether idle. Patrol work still goes on, and in every big offensive movement, whether by the British, Germans or French, masses of cavalry have invariably been mustered just behind the infantry, ready to pierce the shattered lines of the enemy, so as to make a rapid advance. But cavalry only absorbs a portion of the horses required in a military campaign. The stupendous number of guns employed in the frightful war means vast number of horses, and large reserves must be constantly on hand to fill the breaches made by disease, shot and shell. Millions of men in the field require an enormous amount of food, munitions, equipment and supplies in general. The bulk of this work—hauling from the railway stations nearest the front to the trenches—falls to the horse.

Up to the first days of November we know officially that England had already 860,000 head in the field. I am informed on good authority that France had 600,000. Judging from these figures we can calculate about 1,500,000 for Germany and Austria-Hungary. We can count on Italy's having about 700,000 and Russia must have employed at least 700,000 or 800,000; while we can put down about 600,000 for Turkey, Bulgaria, Servia and Montenegro. Thus we get about 4,500,000 head for the nations at war in Europe—and the end is not yet in sight! Of course included in these numbers are many mules to share the credit with the horse; England has purchased many, but the proportion among the other powers is small, except perhaps in the case of Italy. Certainly automobiles have done wonders in this war, yet it should be observed that their utilization in such large numbers has simply meant that it has enabled military strategists to conduct the war on a scale of magnitude never before heard of. Mechanical vehicles have supplemented the work of the horse. Indeed, it may be said that railways, automobiles, and horses are necessary complements to one another. Each has its own particular sphere of activity; there is plenty of room for all three .

As soon as war was declared, emissaries from the various fighting powers began buying horses. Readers of these lines will know of the consistent purchases made in the states and Canada. Large numbers have been bought also in Argentina. France and England have been heavy buyers in America. Certainly this does not necessarily mean that these countries are actually short of equine stock; rather does it signify that the native breeding stock and active work horses in those countries must not be too unduly drawn upon in furnishing the necessary quota for military purposes. The idea is to buy cheaper horses, which will answer the same purpose as more expensive native animals for a short life under shot and shell fire.

What a mighty good job it is for these countries that they are able to replenish their wants by buying elsewhere; otherwise the calamity to native breeding stock would be almost irreparable. Germany had been preparing for a long time, and had bought both breeding and service stock extensively for years in France and Belgium. Just before the war broke out she concluded an enormous purchase of Irish horses for cavalry purposes. To fill up gaps during the course of the war she has had all Belgium, practically, to draw on, as well as much of northern France, including the Ardennes, where good draft stock abounds. She has doubtless been able to purchase many horses in Sweden, Denmark, and Holland; and even to cede draft stock to her ally, Austria-Hungary, a country notoriously deficient in heavy draft horses. I have traveled in that country and remarked that much of the heavy hauling and plowing is done by oxen. On the other hand, the fertile plains of Hungary produce myriads of light horses, rustic and resistant, suitable for cavalry work and light hauling. Since the war began, many of these Hungarian horses have most certainly been acquired by the Germans to replenish losses in cavalry mounts. Russia is about the only fighting power entirely independent in the matter of horses, as the Steppes produce almost unlimited numbers. Italy is probably the country where the proportion of mules to horses in use in the war is greater than with any other belligerent power. Turkey, it should be noted, is employing a lot of camels as pack animals.

If war means glory and honor, and, when it is just, stirs the patriotic sentiments to their innermost depths in loyal breasts, it also signifies a fearful amount of physical and moral suffering to man and beast. Yes, who, knowing well the temperament of man's noblest friend, can deny that the horse suffers morally? His bodily sufferings in a war are indisputably great. Presenting a relatively large target to all kinds of missiles; unable to take cover like his master, defenceless, and oblivious of danger, his lot is, indeed, a pitiable one. What a grand thing it is that there are men and women who, while ready at all times to help in the work of alleviating human suffering—the most noble and sacred duty of all—are yet willing to aid in a practical manner the humane efforts tending to succor wounded and diseased animals evacuated from the front.

During the Balkan War of 1912 an organization known as the Blue Cross, under the auspices of the Dumb Friends' League, London, Eng., began to undertake the work of caring for horses and kindred animals wounded and disabled in military operations. At the beginning of the present war this society, which is supported by voluntary contributions, offered its services to the French Ministry of War. They were gladly accepted, and several hospitals, capable of accommodating in the aggregate many hundreds of equine patients, were established at convenient points in the rear of the fighting line. The British army have their own veterinary corps, dating from the Boer War, but as the French were not similarly organized it will be seen that La Croix Bleue (as it is known in France) had ample scope to carry on its good work. The first hospital was formed at Lerqueux; this place was eventually closed, as it became part of the English army zone. Shortly after Lerqueux hospitals were opened at Troyes, Provins, Moret, and St. Mammes. Experienced veterinary surgeons, assistants, and grooms were engaged to operate these establishments. It is hardly necessary to state that the results obtained have been eminently satisfactory to the French military authorities. When Italy joined in the war she sent representatives to the headquarters in London and also to France to study the working of these hospitals. The Earl of Lonsdale, president of the Blue Cross, ably assisted the Italians to organize their society. The result was that the Italian Government decided to form a Blue Cross (Croce Azzurra) to take charge of its wounded and sick horses during the campaign. The Italians seem to have done the thing thoroughly, and have completely militarized the movement.

The work of the Blue Cross, attached to the French Ministry of War, is of course necessarily limited in its scope on account of its being kept up by charitable subscriptions. Only the lack of sufficient funds has prevented this society from opening up many more hospitals. That there was ample room for an extension of the work the writer of these lines can vouch for from personal experience connected with the organization. Any one who has been over a battlefield or seen the poor, wounded creatures being unloaded at some depot behind the front, can quite realize the need there is for charity in this direction. The cost of operating the hospitals is considerable. All the grain, forage, head collars, stall ropes, drugs and medicines, blankets, instruments, blacksmiths' forges, bandages, and wages of staff are furnished by the society. The French are not out of pocket one penny. Even the rent of the buildings is paid by the Blue Cross. While the bulk of the funds comes from London, many charitably disposed persons in France have rendered signal help. Certain Americans have also sent subscriptions. Probably more funds would have been sent in were it not for the fact that many people thought because the society was accepted by the French army the latter paid the bills.

The hospitals are inspected frequently by the French military veterinarians and staff officers. As soon as a batch of patients is cured and ready to leave the animals are submitted to the examination of these officers, who accept them or order them to remain longer in the hospital, as the case may be. Wonderful results in the way of cures have been obtained. From Moret and St. Mammes (the chief hospitals near to each other) at the date of writing (Nov. 5) about 900 head have been evacuated as completely cured. All these animals will go back to the front. At the time Troyes was closed early in October, through lack of funds, nearly 500 head had been sent out cured, and at the time of writing Provins had evacuated a like number. Time means money where horses are kept, so the idea is to cure and fatten up the horses as quickly as possible. The vast majority of slightly wounded and run-down cases are of course treated by the French in their own cavalry depots; yet it should be said that a vast number of horses that died or were sold as cast could have been saved had there been money enough to open up more Blue Cross hospitals.

Without dwelling on the technical side of the subject I might say that almost every disease and wound known to veterinary science found its way into these hospitals. Shrapnel wounds (principally in the back and croup) were numerous. Bullet wounds in various parts of the body were frequent; many horses had an eye shot out, without otherwise being injured. Bayonet wounds, and wounds from aerial darts dropped by aviators were met with occasionally. Fearful wounds in the limbs were often met with. These injuries made one reflect on the great number of horses killed outright, or those so severely injured that human aid could avail nothing. Some horses were completely riddled in the back and croup with projectiles, and numerous operations had to be performed before the animal was cured. These animals formed the "interesting cases." Two classed of injuries showed up in quite phenomenal numbers, fistulous withers and quittors. A veterinarian saw more of these cases in six months of the war than he would encounter in all his life in normal times. Both of these conditions take a long time to cure, especially the former. Strange to say, I never saw a single case of poll-evil, but we had lameness in all its many and varied forms. Founder was met with frequently; cracked heels galore; as well as rope galls and sore backs. Lymphangitis cases were numerous, and we had navicular disease, sidebones, ringbones, spavins, stringhalt, capped hocks and thrush without end; canker in foot rarely.

When the cold weather came on last winter we got a great number of lousy and mangy horses at Lerqueux, and all of them were in a run-down condition. All these cases were clipped before being treated. I ought to mention that all the French horses were inoculated with mallein as a precaution against glanders. Chronic lameness, such as navicular disease, generally meant the operation of neurotomy. Trepanning was also practiced with success. Pneumonia cases were not infrequent; while the great, insidious enemy of the horse—colic—often showed itself.

However, the mortality was very low on the average. The most deaths occurred subsequently to the retreat from Belgium and the battle of the Marne. Oh! what poor skeletons I saw at Lerqueux! Some

of the poor beasts had been galloped about for days and days without hardly anything to eat and drink; they were all lousy, too. So weak were they that, covered with sores and wounds, they could scarcely walk from the railway station to the hospital. The poor animals ate ravenously, and just when some of them appeared to be doing well they would break down, and, despite every care, give up the ghost. Later, after the trench mode of warfare began, there was a great diminution of such extreme anemic, run-down cases. Every type and breed of horses in western Europe passed through our hands; also horses from north Africa brought by the French colonial troops, such as Barbs and Arabs—beautiful, small horses. I saw many Percheron mares and geldings, and Nivernais, Ardennais, and Boulonnais; occasionally we got a Shire or a Clydesdale gelding—some horses that had escaped from the British and got into the French lines. Many Thoroughbreds were seen that had been requisitioned from racing stables; we also had a few wounded mules, and once in a while we got a German horse. But horses have no nationality; a horse is a horse, and equal care and attention are lavished on all.

We have had a fair number of American and Canadian horses under treatment; some of these do not make the most tractable patients, especially when in the blacksmith's hands. As I am penning these lines a troop of cavalry (reserves) are passing my window; all the riders are mounted on American horses. Receiving as we do horses of all dispositions, one must be continually on the lookout against accidents. While the writer was at Troyes one of the grooms received a kick in the abdomen which caused his death in about 30 hours. This is the only fatal accident that I know of in connection with the Blue Cross work. Many horses arrive so weak that one can do almost anything with them, but regaining strength often imparts a friskiness more than interesting. All the equine patients in a convalescent state are regularly given the freedom of large pastures for a few hours daily, weather permitting; in other cases the horses are walked in fours, two or three miles on the road.

A register of all the animals is carefully kept at every hospital, giving the military matriculation (stamped on the hoof), stall number, age, color, height, markings, and nature of injury or disease, as the case might be. In some cases horses have been recognized that have sojourned in the same hospital on two or three separate occasions.

Once more the anniversary of Him who died for man comes round with no signs of peace on the troubled horizon in Europe. But let us all fervently hope that an enduring Treaty of Peace will have been long ago signed ere another Christmas comes, and that peaceful arts and commerce will gradually dissipate the acrimony, jealousy, hate and spite of the warring nations. Certainly nobody ever hopes to see such another horribly destructive war as this. Long, long years will be needed to heal the awful bruises sustained by all the belligerent powers. Some time in the future—not in our time, let us hope—another conflagration will break out among the civilized powers. Then once more the horse—and his half-brother, the mule—will take their share of the sacrifice.

Just like the simple soldier,
Never to reason why,
Filling the breach when duty calls;
Ready to do or die!

RASTUS 2:05¼ COMES TO CALIFORNIA.

The brown pacing gelding Rastus 2:05¼ has been purchased from A. Traub of Kansas City, Mo., by S. H. Cowell of San Francisco and has been shipped to Walter Tryon at Sacramento. He is by Liberty Boy, a son of White Foot 10554, and his dam is Georgia Rose by Grant's Abdallah. He was a good consistent pacer on the Grand Circuit and will be a feature on the California circuit this year. Herschel Knight, caretaker of Rastus, started from Kansas City with the horse. Near Bonner Springs the car was sidetracked and entered by four men, who claimed they were railroad detectives and had to make a search, stating there had been a robbery. The leader pointed a gun at Herschel, with the command "Hands up!" and immediately fired, the bullet passing through the young man's body. They then took the victim's watch and made their escape. Herschel staggered back to the caboose, bleeding copiously, and fell in a faint, where the train crew found him. He was taken to a Lawrence hospital, dying the next night. Herschel Knight was a good, clean young man, the only support of his mother, whom he left destitute at Kansas City.

SORT OF A "SIMULTANEOUS" BUNCH.

The Cox family, of New Hampshire, had a field day on November 2. Walter, who was known as the David Harum of the trotting turf until he let Lee Axworthy 2:03¼, Peter Scott 2:05¼, and Mary Putney 2:05½, slip through his fingers, won his fifth race within a week. His father, Charles E. Cox, was elected alderman in Manchester, N. H. Louis S. Cox, a brother, was chosen district attorney in Essex county, Mass., and Channing Cox, another brother, led the field in his election district in Boston as a candidate for the Massachusetts Legislature, in which he was the speaker of the house at the last session.—Spirit of the West.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

Good and Bad Effects of "Early Closers"

TEDD H. KLINE, HORSE WORLD

Once upon a time an ambitious turf scribe, in a moment of enthusiasm, described horse racing as "The Sport of Kings." Truer words never were spoken, but had this same scribe been gifted with second sight or ability to see into the future he would have gone a little further and exclaimed, "Early Closing Events Will Also Be the Sport of Kings."

For be it understood that pikers have no place in this realm.

Talk about your stock exchange, your bucket shops, your faro bank, roulette wheel, poker, dice or the mere betting on a horse race. Why, any of these pastimes are casino compared with that terrific gambling game known as The Early Closing Event.

Think of putting, we will say for argument, ten thousand dollars into a pool on March 15, that you will not race for until August 1. Think of the good things on March 15 that become pelters, for one reason or another by August 1. Think of the owners who have contributed who never realized a cent on their investment. This is the only real, genuine, dyed-in-the-wool, blown on the bottle and marked on the wrapper bunco game in the world.

Of course it is well known why, in the beginning, they were started. Simply because racing associations needed running expenses to tide them over until their meetings had started, and I am not sure but what the same condition exists in many places today.

But the point is, why will horsemen continue to cheat themselves? Is it because of the pot of gold they think is at the end of the rainbow? Can you imagine a good, game business man who races a trotter, taking the same chances with his money on any other proposition? I certainly cannot, and facts prove that he does not, but he thinks nothing at all of sending some 15 or 20 racing associations anywhere from one to ten thousand dollars, months in advance of the races, knowing then that he is liable never again to see a cent of his money.

My rich friends—and I respect them all for what they mean to the business—will exclaim, "Bother ten thousand dollars, if we can get a Peter Scott and make a clean sweep through the Grand Circuit."

But on the other hand, what of the middle man or poor man with only one horse or possibly two? Has he no place with us? Are we developing a game of freeze-out on the harness turf, where it soon will be a case of the survival of the fittest?

Right now, I happen to know that the several tracks which represent the Grand Circuit have their books clogged with the accounts of poor horse owners who took that awful chance, staked what they thought were a couple of good ones clear through and then met with the inevitable. Some of these accounts have been settled with the various associations at 50 cents on the dollar, some at 25 and some at 10, while others never will be settled. But these compromises helped but little for the reason that campaigners were kept out of the game for several seasons because they could not meet the demands of the associations, while others never will get back to the races on account of this sword of Damocles which hangs over their heads.

I ask, in all fairness, is this condition right? We need every honest man we can get into the game, but we cannot get them in or keep those in which we already have, by strengthening the wall of early closing events about us.

It has been argued, by those who do not know the real facts, that the early closing event is a great stimulus to the sport because of its wonderful advertising power for the track. Perhaps—to advertise breweries, hotels, department stores, et cetera—but not the track. I am prepared to show you that as drawing cards for Grand Circuit meetings or any other meetings for that matter, the early closing event is about the poorest proposition we have. And here's the reason.

In the spring of the year, a secretary announces his early closing entry list. It is a good one, of many horses which (more's the pity) are known only to the regulars. Perhaps one or two are known to fame. Then the secretary or his publicity man proceeds to furnish the daily papers of his city, ream after ream concerning the horses which are to start in the so-called classics at his particular meeting. The public's appetite is whetted and curiosity aroused.

"Bravo," they all cry. "At last we will get a chance to see Caesar The Just, which performed so well in the Peninsular Circuit last year and ended the season by going a trial mile in 2:04, at Lexington."

All well and good, but when the day comes for the great race, Caesar the Just and a dozen others that have been touted are not even on the grounds or else are too lame to start, while your local newspaper men and race enthusiasts look daggers at the secretary and publicity man and think things they dare not say or print.

Here is another thing that makes the early closing event so much bunkum.

And that is not all. If Caesar the Just happens to stay sound and reports for this race, he usually so far outclasses his opposition that the race is a joke and the public which has paid its hard earned money at the gate simply sneers at the management.

If you think I exaggerate let me refresh your memories slightly by recalling certain performers of bygone days which made jokes out of nearly every early closing event in which they started: Direct Hal, Joe Patchen II., R. T. C., George Gano, Baden, Dudie Archdale, Peter Scott and a dozen others whose names I cannot now recall.

And right in this connection, it was the writer's business to handle the publicity work for the 1912 meeting of the Furniture City Driving Club at Grand Rapids and my experience in that capacity is well worth recounting.

The association gave that year, if I remember correctly, six early closing events, including the Furniture Manufacturers' Purse for $10,000 and The Comstock Purse for $5,000. A record entry was had in all stakes. The big purse received 31 nominations, the Grand Rapids Railway Purse 38, and all others in proportion. In my opinion, an early closing entry list never presented a better opportunity for some glorious publicity work and I set out with a zeal. I wrote column after column of dope, so called, and after the races were all over and the story told, but one horse among the original nominations about which I had written came through for me and that was none other than Joe Patchen II; but at that he so far outclassed the others, he made a terrific joke of the Comstock Purse on which we had counted so much. Of the 38 nominations received in the Railway Purse but eight horses scored for the word and of these eight not a single one of them was a horse that the winter and spring scribes had raved over, to any extent. R. T. C. was nominated to start in The Alcryon Purse for 2:07 trotters against Dudie Archdale and Helen Stiles. The local folks were crazy, so to speak, to see R. T. C. and Dudie hook up and I wrote some appetizing tales for them. Result? R. T. C. went wrong and did not start; Durfee to win, laid up with Helen, which took all the run out of Dudie and altogether the race left about the worst taste in the mouths of the Grand Rapids race goers that they ever experienced.

But why go on—I believe my readers will see the point to the above. Facts, like actions, speak louder than words and any time you want to know about the value and effects of the early closing events on harness racing just delve into your history for a minute and you will find enough to suit the most fastidious.

There is still another phase of the situation which makes a farce out of the early closer, and that is the matter of a 2:05 trotter or a 2:06 pacer racing as a green horse through an entire season. If anything holds the harness turf up to ridicule it is this state of affairs. It is high time this iniquity were eliminated. Horses should be classed by their money winnings or their best record as the season progresses. We are living in the dark ages on this proposition. However this is a subject for another article and should not be dwelt upon here.

During the course of this article I was supposed to say something about the good effects of the early closing event, on harness racing, but after a very careful survey of several years' Grand Circuit racing and a close analysis of more than one stake race, I cannot see where the early closer has enhanced the sport one iota, for try as I will I cannot believe it does anything but afford an excellent opportunity for the rich man to gamble, a better opportunity for the poor man to become a poorer and gives the racing association a chance to gather in a bundle of current expense money before the meeting starts.

In order to forestall any criticism that may come from those who happen to know that I am interested in the promotion of three-year-old futurities, let me say right here that I do not consider our newspaper futurities or the colt stakes promoted by the American Association of Trotting Horse Breeders, in the same class with the early closing events as conducted by Grand Circuit tracks and minor organizations. For several reasons, viz.:

The same person does not always make all the payments through the building of a futurity.

The payments are extremely light and very far apart as compared with the payments in the early closing events.

The money eventually raced for, in the colt stakes, is always more in proportion to what has been paid into them, than in the early closing events. For example this year's Stallion Stake of the American Association of Trotting Horse Breeders was worth twelve thousand six hundred and fifty-five dollars ($12,655) and yet it cost but the small sum of $155 to start a colt in it and this amount was all payments, including the initial and starting fees. Except from the third payment to starting fee, all payments were a year apart and in some cases the colts changed hands, so that the man who made the first payment did not make the second, the man who made the second did not make the third and the man who made the third did not pay the starting fee.

So that I say, while of course a futurity is a jack pot, at the same time it cannot be considered in the same breath with the average Grand Circuit early closing event and subsequent rake-off therefrom.

Summing it all up, the early closing event is a bad proposition for every one connected with the sport, except as I have said, the extremely rich man who does not care for dollars and "sense." It is bad for

the middle man because the risk is too great, it is bad for the association from an advertising standpoint and that means getting money at the gate, and it is bad from a racing standpoint because we compel outclassed horses to race against a stake horse after he has shown the ability to do certain things.

Then there is another reason why it is bad, and while this subject ought to be tabooed in many journals, I cannot refrain from saying something about the relation of the early closing event to the speculation, that is a vital part of our best meetings. There always has been and always will be a clamor for good prices, especially with relation to the auction betting, but we cannot continue the early closers with their invariable outstanding horse, and give the bettors what they ask. This works a hardship two ways. First with the bettors and second with the association which counts on a certain revenue from the betting. The larger that is of course the larger the association's percentage, but "The Favorite Barred" sign kills interest, not alone in the racing itself but in the speculation, a thing more vital to the sport than most of us are willing to concede.

Well, I guess I have presented my side of the case and I now look for the attorney for the defense, whoever he may be, to present his side. I have always been taught to believe that there are two sides to every story and there may be in this instance, but, as I have said before, after a very careful survey, I am at an utter loss to see where, for a long period of years, the early closing event has worked anything but harm to the harness turf. Would it be too radical for me to say that I sincerely believe we are about 50 years behind the times because we have fostered it so long?

God speed the day when we shall have naught but dash races on the harness turf, with practically every event an over-night one, or, if you must have early closing events, let them expire say a week before any meeting opens. Do away with so-called "green" horses after they have shown spectacular ability and so classify them that, as on the running turf, the pelter will have the same chance as a stake horse. Put your auction blocks in the attic and equip your plants, where they will let you, with mutuel machines and put in the National Museum at Washington, along with the first locomotive, first automobile and many other ancient inventions, the death certificate of The Early Closing Event—and proceed to forget it.

1915 A RECORD YEAR.

Although the official records are not yet at hand, lacking which no definite statement can be made so far as statistics are concerned, such as the total number of race meetings held in the United States and Canada during the past year, it seems but fitting that a brief resume of the activities in the trotting world during the past year should be contained in this, our last issue of 1915.

In 1914 the number of race meetings held in the United States and Canada was 1,393, which, if we are correct, was the greatest total in the history of the sport. That this record will be eclipsed when the statistics for 1915 will have been compiled there seems little doubt. In New England alone interest in the light harness sport was greater than ever before, if the number of meetings can be taken as a criterion, there having been at least fifteen more than in 1914. This seems to have been the rule all over the country, and, when the facts are known, we confidently expect the volume of harness racing to be greater than in any other year since the advent of the sport.

The auction sales can best indicate the stability of the industry. We have seen prices correspondingly higher than were paid at the various auctions this fall, but, quality considered, it is the consensus of opinion that practically every animal that went under the hammer brought just about what it was worth. Youngsters of fashionable breeding when carefully prepared for the auction ring have brought prices that were satisfactory in almost every case. The fact that five yearlings brought an average of $1,730 at the Old Glory Sale, and that the highest price for a horse of any age at the recent Chicago Sale was paid for a yearling, will furnish food for thought.

The past year has seen, we believe, a greater percentage of available mares bred than ever before. The Europan war doubtless was an incentive, as breeders could see a better market in the future for the by-product. Should the war continue another year, more than one million horses will have been shipped from our shores, so that 1916 should be another banner year for this feature of the industry.—American Horse Breeder.

A correspondent writes: "Ventura, with the best intentions, had arranged to start this year right with a New Year matinee, but owing to a plentiful and long continued rain, has postponed the event until the first dry Sunday."

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There are still a few substitutions available in Pacific Breeders Futurity Stake No. 15, for foals of 1915, now yearlings. If you have failed to nominate your foal of that year, it might be well to take advantage now to secure a substitution and thus save future regrets.

Holiday Time at Hemet Stock Farm

Hemet, Cal., Jan. 3, 1916.

Telegraphic reports to the middle of last week told of an inch or so of snow in the region of San Bernardino and other cities of that general locality, but a residence of some years in the heart of the mountin fastnesses of Southern Montana had robbed a snow bank of all its terrors for the writer, so that when opportunity presented itself for making a trip into the latest haunts of the winter storm king it was eagerly taken advantage of, snow or no snow. San Francisco herself had been visited by a touch of cold weather just prior to my departure, though the little freeze had not been attended by a fall of "the beautiful," and the air was simply very stimulating and invigorating to one who had been used to a degree of cold which made the thermometer register much farther down the scale. The first sight of snow came Friday morning in the Burbank neighborhood, but closer in toward the city of all the angels all traces of the unaccustomed visitor had been removed. It seemed a bit strange to read in a Los Angeles paper of a man being treated at one of the local hospitals for injuries received in a snowball fight, and on the day before my arrival the movie folks had been busily engaged in staging "Alaska Stuff" on the heights of Hollywood.

From Los Angeles to Riverside no traces of the storm were in evidence save on the peaks in the distance, where snow belongs, but from Riverside to Hemet I ran into one of the surprises of my short and innocent career—seven inches of snow in the Perris Valley. Really, the rolling highlands and the nearlying hills presented an appearance that would not have been incompatible with a winter landscape in the edge of the bad lands in the Dakotas, and here again the "opportunists" from Universal City were much in evidence. It is only a few short days until theater-goers will be gazing in rapt attention at thrilling scenes in which snow shoes, fur parkas and mukluks, dog teams, and all the other appanages and personages of the frozen north will be much in evidence—all staged and photographed in Sunny Southern California. "It's an ill wind," and so on—and the storm certainly played right into the hands and pocketbooks of the movie people. Nor did it work any great damage to anyone, as the snow itself was not detrimental to the fruit and olive orchards, and the weather moderated immediately and failed to be followed by a freeze of any severity, so that in reality the region is just so much ahead. Between Riverside and Hemet there are many thousands of acres of barley already sown, and in some instances already sprouting, and the impetus given to the growth of this crop will assure a bumper harvest, with any seasonable moisture at all in the coming months.

The Hemet Valley, sheltered to a wonderful degree by the surrounding hills, received much less snow than did the Perris neighborhood, though on Friday morning there was enough of the white stuff in evidence to set the kids—and some of the older folks—to throwing snow balls and building snow men just like they did "back east," for Hemet has attracted a very large percentage of its population from the sections across the big divide where winter is a very real and appreciably different season from what it is in California. To them, the snow came largely in the nature of a "letter from home," and they proceeded to make the most of it while it lasted, which was a very short time indeed. The sun came out in its usual style for a good portion of the day, followed by a continued moderation during the night, so that within a few short hours the snow line had retreated well into the hills, where it will probably be contented to remain for the balance of the winter. High up on the hoary head and deep scarred sides of old San Jacinto the big drifts will linger until well into the summer, but it is hardly likely that the floor of the valley will receive another covering of the kind for many a long month to come.

Budd Doble, to all appearances younger than when he last invaded the raging Grand with that good race trotter, Kinney Lou 2:07¾, was on deck to greet me as the train pulled into the comfortable little city that Mr. W. F. Whittier has placed permanently and prosperously on the map of the world, and after a hasty luncheon at the hotel we made our way out to the Hemet Stock Farm, the show place of the town and of the community at large. I was no stranger to the farm, as it has been nearly three years since I first inscribed my signature in the visitors' book in the office, along with those of many better and more widely known men—and ladies, too, for that matter, as the place attracts as many of the fair sex as it does of the sterner portion of the visitors to the valley—and it was with a great deal of pleasure that I set about renewing my acquaintance with both men and horses.

Wilbur Lou, who brought the establishment so much fame in the three years of his career on the California and Arizona tracks, I found running in a roomy paddock, full of vim and vigor and always ready to make new friends from among his visitors, as he is one of the nicest tempered fellows imaginable and likes to be noticed and played with. It is hardly probable that he will again be seen at the races, as he was the victim of a bit of hard luck early last season, but this is of little moment, as from the start he has gotten as a sire this year his services will be pretty largely in demand in the future, so that his time will be best spent entirely at home. No stallion in California, or for that matter in many other sections, has had a more auspicious entry to the ranks of great sires, and there is every reason to believe that this fame will be enhanced every season for many, many years to come. Bred to seven mares in the spring of his three-year-old form, he obtained seven living foals, four of which are in the standard list today, while another showed her ability to trot in standard time as a two-year-old, while the others were never trained for speed. Truly a wonderful record for a young sire, especially when it is further taken into consideration that one of the seven is Natalday (2) 2:13½, the best two-year-old futurity winning trotter yet produced in California.

Just at present the youngsters that were raced or trained much during the past season are taking things pretty easily, running in the alfalfa fields or spending much of their time out in the paddocks, while the energies of Mr. Doble and his assistants are being directed to the breaking of the yearlings and the conditioning of some of the older horses that had a let-up in 1915. Miss Gailey 2:11¼, nicely grown and filled out, is taking her work in a very pleasing manner and her trainers think that she is the making of quite a bit better than a 2:10 trotter for her sire, the dead George W. McKinney 2:14½. She was a nervous, high strung thing, and the rest and added age seems to have benefitted her considerably. Harry R. (1) 2:24¾ pacing, also a six-year-old, is a nice bodied fellow with a very good way of going and considerable speed, as he has a matinee record of 2:12½ over a two-lap track, gained as a three-year-old. All the four-year-olds, including Allie Lou, the lass that made such a good campaign for the farm this last season, are having a nice easy time in view of the hard work that is to come their way later on when active speed making commences, and are in excellent condition to start in on when the time comes. Allie has added a bit of flesh since coming home and looks fit as a fiddle for another campaign. Racing in class races against all comers, it is hardly likely that as a four-year-old she will pull down another eight thousand to be added to the Whittier bank account, but she will be there or thereabouts when the money is cut at the end of the race.

Of the three-year-olds only two are at present doing anything other than playing in the fields and munching sweet hay from the feed racks, the "vacationers" including Goldsmith Lou (2) 2:29, Fiesta Lou (2) 2:22½ and Gertrude Rives, all by Wilbur Lou, and Don de Lopez (2) 2:25 by Kinney de Lopez. Billie Boyd (2) 2:30, by Wilbur Lou—Lady Zombro, is having his education extended a trifle, and Frank Rees is just breaking the recently purchased Ailsie Lou, a black filly by Wilbur and out of Bonnie Ailsie 2:08½, the dam of Contention B. (3) 2:08¼ and the trotter Carlschen, who obtained a standard record as a two-year-old. Ailsie, I believe, will mature into a better individual than either of the two just named and should have a profitable amount of speed. Unfortunately her futurity engagements were allowed to lapse before the farm purchased her, so she will not be pushed to any great extent until fairly mature.

The farm has nine foals of 1914, now two-year-olds, all staked in the coast classics, and of these the following quartet are now being handled: Zeta Lucille,

Matilda Lou, Wilbur Direct, all by Wilbur Lou and out of Zeta W., Lady Zombro and Betsey Direct, respectively, and Louise de Lopez by Kinney de Lopez and out of Louise Carter, dam of Wilbur Lou and several others. With the exception of Matilda Lou these babies were handled a bit last spring and showed eighths in 17½ to 19 seconds before being turned out. They are all nice sized and all a uniform color, chestnut, with in some instances a very little bit of attractive white marking. The other five will be taken up in a very short time, and from what I saw of them in the pastures and paddocks they are of equal quality with those just mentioned. Once in a while Wilbur and Kinney de Lopez get a black one, but almost all of their colts are chestnut, with bay the second color.

Among the yearlings the bays and chestnuts run about an even race, and there are eleven of these spunky boys and girls being broken, the full crop of 1915. Nine of them are Wilburs, one is by Kinney de Lopez, and the odd one is a chestnut filly by Itinaris. As is right and proper for things of this age at this season they all have a thick coat of hair, but no matter how luxurious this crop gets the quality shows from beneath without fail. They are a rugged bunch, with nice conformation and good legs and feet, and show that they have had all the feed needed to insure proper growth at an early age. Not a pacer has as yet developed among them and most all of them that have gotten along in their lessons to the point where they are well bridle wise show natural trotting inclinations, so that from among them the farm will no doubt develop a few that will give a fair account of themselves when their futurity engagements roll around to be filled.

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While most of the stable room at Hemet is taken up by the horses belonging to the farm, there are ample accommodations for outside trainers, and a few of the latter are usually to be found here at this season, as the track is a most excellent one and the weather during the training season and late winter most conducive to speed making. Lou Taylor, who for several years was located either at San Jose or Pleasanton, came here last summer when the Hemet horses came home from the exposition meeting, and seems fixed to stay quite a while longer, indefinitely in fact. Lou finished the prep on his two-horse-stable here last season and then went out and raced for two meetings, winning every race he started in, so naturally he thinks Hemet a pretty fair place to get 'em ready. His trotting filly Luana by Kinney Lou and out of a good daughter of Stam B., has not grown much since leaving the northern part of the state, but has developed into a right good kind of a race mare. She is full of spunk and nerve and her legs are clean and hard as a real trotter's, so Lou will probably figure in some of those races that are hot contests this season. For the pacing brigade he still has the chestnut gelding by Kinney Lou out of grand old Carrie B., the dam of Lovelock and Ray o' Light and one or two others, and figures him as a 2:05 performer for 1916 with any kind of luck at all. His legs are all to the good and he is a nice headed fellow that can be rated and placed wherever wanted, which is an absolute essential to real racehorse quality. The third member of the Taylor string is the two-year-old bay filly by Yoncalla out of Yolanda 2:14½ by McKinney, and while she has had but little work as yet she has grown nicely and looks to be the making of a useful sort of a filly. Lou, since going to Hemet, has developed into quite a gasoline skinner and he and Mrs. Taylor, with Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Blackwell, spend a good deal of time skimming over the good roads of the surrounding country. To tell the truth Lou has been gadding about a good deal of late and rather soldiering on his right-hand man, Murphy, who accompanied him on the move south, but he promises to get to work right away and be ready for the bell when the season opens. The Taylors and Blackwells are making their home together and are mighty comfortably situated.

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Bob Sebastian, who prepped a string at Hemet last winter and then had a good season down in the central west, is spending some time here with his people, as Hemet is home for them, and expects to go to Omaha about the first of April and take over the horses belonging to Thomas Dennison of that city, who made numerous friends in California during his visits to the exposition race meetings. Hal McKinney, who made two good campaigns for Bob on the bull rings of the short grass country, will head the pacing division, and there will be a number of others to go along with him that will be of the hard to beat variety. Bob describes Omaha as the coming trotting horse center of that portion of the central west, as the folks who are getting into the game there are enthusiastic over the outlook and have plenty of backing and the public takes to it like ducks to water. Hemet he declares to be one of the best places in California to prepare for a campaign, as the climatic conditions are not sufficiently unusual in any way for a change to any ordinary country to throw a horse off his form, and his only regret is that he hasn't his 1916 stable here now. Just at present he is working only one horse, a green trotter on which he has an option and which is doing everything asked of him so far very handily. He is a nicely turned six-year-old chestnut gelding by Strathway out of Badger Girl and just before the recent break in training weather had negotiated the half-mile track here in 2:23 with an eighth in :16¼. If Bob decides that he will do he will take him along when he makes the jump to Omaha in the spring.

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The Hemet Stock Farm plant is one of the most attractive ones in the west and under the progressive policy of Mr. Whittier and the watchful eyes of Budd Doble it is kept in the pink of condition for training purposes the year round. Within a very short time the number of horses in active work here will be increased materially, and there is never a day goes by that the visiting horseman cannot find much to interest him, either on the track, around the comfortable stables, or out in the paddocks and pastures among the loafing horses or the mares and young things. Hospitality seems to be the middle name of everybody in the valley, and especially of those around the farm, and no one can spend a day or a number of days here without leaving with a feeling of regret. For my part, I am outward bound just as soon as I wind up this brief sketch and make a two-block run for a train, but I have my mind firmly composed on this one point—I am coming back at the very first opportunity and stay just as long as possible.—[N.]

NOTES and NEWS

Anvil 2:02¾ who is to be in the stud at Pleasanton this season, has already had a good number of excellent mares booked to him.

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Notwithstanding the threatened opposition from the Mexican government, the meeting is going on at Tia Juana as proposed by the promoters. Nothing further has appeared that would indicate governmental action to stop racing at this track in the near future.

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Take a few moments off some day or evening and drop us a line concerning the colts that you are handling this winter, especially the ones that have never been in print before. We will appreciate it, and your friends will be glad to know what you are doing.

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When Robert A. Smith reached Denver on his way home after the Chicago sale, he received a telegram that his father had died, and he immediately started back to Philadelphia. His many friends here will regret to learn of Mr. Smith's bereavement. On his return a meeting of the new Pacific Coast Fair Association will be held.

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Hemet Stock Farm has recently purchased of F. D. Myers, formerly a resident of California but now living in Pennsylvania, the famous matron Bonnie Ailsie 2:08½ by Faustino 2:12¼ and her two filly foals by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼, one a black three-year-old and the other a bay yearling. They are both nice individuals and are being broken at present at the farm.

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D. W. Wallis, for many years high in the service of Miller & Lux and until quite recently the general cattle superintendent, retired from that firm's service the first of the year and will assume a less strenuous mode of life from now on, making his home in Los Banos. Mr. Wallis has some very promising young things in the trotter and pacer line and it is an even money bet that he will see more of them than formerly.

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Every owner of a trotting bred stallion on the Pacific Coast is vitally interested in seeing that the Pacific Breeders Futurity Stake No. 16 for foals of 1916 is filled with a goodly number of entries. The Secretary is sending out letters to stallion owners, together with a blank list with the request that they send in a list of mares that were bred to their stallion or in their vicinity that might be entered in this stake. If you own a stallion or are interested in the preservation and advancement of harness racing, don't fail to boost this stake.

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As a result of the hardship of a long trip across the continent, Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½ was in such poor shape that when he was put up at auction at the Chicago sale he brought less than $100. While it was not expected that he would bring a big price on account of his age, which is well over twenty years, his record as a sire of three world's champions, viz., Anselila (1) 2:17½, Verbena Ansel (1) 2:26, and Anselot (1) 2:28½ made this season, should have been taken into consideration and he should have brought a much higher price.

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There are a lot more horses in training in California and on the Pacific Coast generally this year than most people think, and in view of the fact that there will be ten or twelve district fairs in California in 1916, the prospects are better for harness racing than they were in 1915, notwithstanding the two big meetings at the Exposition. While there was several hundred thousand dollars paid out in stakes at the P. P. I. E. meetings, most of it went to but a few owners. With a lot of small meetings on the coast the man who campaigns but one or two horses will stand a better show this year, especially as he will not be in competition with some of the leading Grand Circuit performers.

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After its usual custom Allen Farm, Pittsfield, Mass., has just issued its annual publications that go hand in hand, the Allen Farm year book and the price list. So well is the year book arranged, and so completely and carefully is it compiled, that in a very few moments one may see all that certain products of the farm have accomplished in the past season, and then by turning to the price list he may choose the one individual whose blood lines suit him best as compared with those of the winners in the year book's summaries. By breeding trotters that will race and by putting them before the public in this form, Allen Farm has established a ready market for its products at very fair figures, retaining the middle man's commission to put it into an investment in printer's ink, which pays much larger dividends.

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Tia Juana opened on New Year's day as per schedule with a very pleasing attendance, some six thousand sport lovers making the trip to the border to see the thoroughbreds perform. The early days of the meeting have been marked by good racing, although the track is not fast nor is the class of horses in attendance the absolute pick of the land, and if the promoters are able to maintain racing of this kind for a few weeks the meeting will receive a big boost, draw larger crowds and attract many more horses, as numerous owners held off from shipping until they could see how the situation in general was going to turn out. Numerous visitors to the opening, with whom a representative of this publication has talked since their return, have nothing but a good word to say for the new venture, which is pleasing in the extreme.

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At the Meadow Brook Farm, near Pleasanton, the high wind on Sunday blew down a portion of the fence and a number of well bred light harness horses strayed from their quarters to the railroad crossing where four of them were killed by a passing train. The four consisted of a two-year-old black filly by True Kinney out of Ida Millerton 2:12¼ by Millerton, recently purchased by Mrs. A. G. Wilkes of Francisco for $500. Millard Sanders had this filly in training with a view of campaigning her the coming season. The other three were yearlings, also from the Woodland Stock Farm, and belonged to C. A. Harrison, consisting of a bay filly by Robert Bingen 2:11¼, out of Caritone by Antone; a bay colt by True Kinney, out of a Director mare, and a bay colt by True Kinney out of Silver Haw (dam of Helen Stiles 2:06¼) by Silver Bow. These yearlings were entered in the Pacific Coast futurity stakes and their loss will be a great disappointment to Mr. Harrison.

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A. L. Blackwell, whose former contract with Hemet Stock Farm expired a few days ago, is taking things easy down at that Southern California hamlet while waiting to see which way the cat is going to jump. If indications point to a good circuit of fairs here during the coming season Art prefers to remain in California, but if things look the other way about he has a nice opening waiting for him back in his old home in Iowa, with a stable to take to the Great Western Circuit. In addition to making a host of friends in this state he has also had considerable success with his horses, making a nice campaign a couple of years ago with the Borden stable and putting the finishing touches to most of the Hemet Stock Farm futurity colts. Allie Lou's winning form at both exposition meetings was due to work received almost entirely at his hands and he drove her personally in two of the best races she went during the entire season, those over the half-mile track at Riverside where she forced Virginia Barnette to trot in 2:13 to win, while in those hot two-year-old races at Pleasanton he was separately timed in the trot with Don de Lopez in 2:15½, and in the pace with Fiesta Lou in 2:14½.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

Sires of Hundred or More Performer

H. T. WHITE, AMERICAN HORSE BREEDER

Not long ago some account was given in this column of the sires that were represented by one hundred or more trotters and pacers, the idea being to show that old-time standards in at least one important branch of the breeding industry must be abandoned.

When it was announced that Bingara, at the age of 14, had become a "centuary" sire, i. e., was represented by one hundred standard performers, the Breeder printed a list of sires with one hundred or more (counting pacers as well as trotters) standard performers, and gave the age at which each stallion reached the "century" mark. That was an interesting and instructive tabulation, but it did not show which horses were credited with one hundred or more trotters. This is a point concerning which the big interest centers, and, having considerable curiosity as to what stallions had one hundred or more trotters in the standard list, and how old each sire was at the time his "century" mark for trotters was reached, I went after the information, and present it herewith in convenient form for preservation and reference, the figures being to the close of 1914. The column showing the age at which each member of the list reached the "century" mark, as to trotters, is, of course, the meat of the whole matter. In these days, when colt stakes run to such large sums and engage the attention of breeders far more than any other form of racing, the question of how early in his stud career a stallion shows his class as a sire is an important one.

The table follows, it being understood that, in the case of the older horses, allowance should be made for the fact that many of their get were raced to high wheel sulkies:

Born	Name	100 Trotters	Age
1901	Bingara	1915	14
1895	Peter the Great	1913	18
1886	Allerton	1904	18
1893	Bingen	1912	19
1893	Moko	1914	21
1892	Axworthy	1913	21
1886	Axtell	1907	21
1875	Onward	1897	22
1887	McKinney	1910	23
1880	Wilton	1903	23
1874	Red Wilkes	1897	23
1868	Electioneer	1891	23
1886	Prodigal	1910	24
1882	Baron Wilkes	1906	24
1870	Nutwood	1894	24
1879	Pilot Medium	1904	25
1876	Alcantara	1901	25
1881	Gambetta Wilkes	1908	27
1879	Simmons	1906	27
1882	Elyria	1910	28
1878	Jay Bird	1907	29

There you have at a glance a complete view of one very important section of the breeding problem. the precocity of each member of the list (so far as his first generation of descendants are concerned) is blazoned forth so that none who reads may escape the lesson taught thereby. For example, the first seven stallions on the list are to be charged (when considering their achievements with those of the balance of the company) with the decided advantage of having had all their get raced to the bicycle form of sulky. The eldest of these seven are Allerton, Prodigal and Axtell, all foaled in 1886, and it is significant that the latter has a son, Axworthy, in the distinguished company.

And that fact suggests another line of investigation which at once proves fruitful of good results in the matter of instructive facts. Since Allerton (third on the list) and Prodigal (thirteenth) also were foaled in 1886, they naturally are compared with Axtell as to every department in which a sire may excel. Such comparison, of course, would be fruitless unless the three horses were practically on even terms in the matter of opportunity, and it so happens that they are about as well matched in this respect as any trio that could be selected. Each was given an unusually good chance in the stud. Axtell, world's champion trotting stallion at three years, with his 2:12 mile to high wheels, stood first at a $1,000 fee, and, under such cirstances, it is certain none but mares that would qualify as matrons under a high standard were booked to him.

Allerton was a great race horse trotter, and, in addition, was the first of his sex to beat 2:10 to high wheels, and a 2:09¼ mile at five years was an achievement of championship caliber. That Allerton, under the shrewd management of C. W. Williams, was given a first-class chance in the stud is well known, and that he responded nobly to his opportunity likewise is a matter of common knowledge. He is one of three sires that, at the close of 1914, had two hundred or more sons and daughters in the 2:30 trotting or 2:25 pacing lists, his score being 264, to 234 by Gambetta Wilkes, and two hundred by Onward. In other words, in the matter of quantity—standard speed alone considered—Allerton stands out from all other sires of trotters, and yet his most ardent admirers hardly would claim that, in quality, he is at the head, because the records (which now fairly may be made up in his case) show that he got no colt trotters worth talking about, in comparison with other sires, and that much the same condition exists when the list of great aged trotters, winners of important events, is carefully searched from beginning to end. The one supremely important feature which the first generation Allertons lacked was class.

Prodigal is pretty much in the same boat. Started on his stud career by Marcus Daly, a man of wealth, who himself was a critical judge of bloodlines and of possible brood mares (and who was assisted in the work by Ed. A. Tipton, a recognized expert in such matters), Prodigal had his chance early in life. Later, he was owned by Hon. J. W. Bailey, of Texas, who was a worthy successor of Daly as a severe judge, when brood mares were under consideration, and who gave the horse a large band of carefully selected mates. Prodigal, like Allerton, is dead, and it is possible to judge his career as a whole in a fair and intelligent manner.

What is the outcome of such consideration? Prodigal sired standard speed in tremendous quantities, his figures at the close of 1914 being 132 trotters and 31 pacers, and the precocity of his get was remarkable, he at one time (and possibly now) having more 2:30 or better two-year-old trotters to his credit than any other stallion. And yet, as winners of colt stakes (and especially of important fixtures of that sort), the Prodigals do not reach the heights of success attained by the get of Peter the Great, the Bingens (father and sons), or Axworthy. Nor has the Prodigal or the Allerton strain bred on in the male line as has the blood of Bingen, Moko, Axworthy and Axtell—all, except the last named, being younger than either Allerton or Prodigal. These facts are of particular interest and value to breeders and horsemen because they are part of the history of sires that absolutely are at the top in the matter of standard speed production, when quantity alone is considered. Allerton has no son to compare, in prominence as a sire, with Axworthy in the Axtell family, Mobel among the Moko tribe, or Todd and Bingara for the Bingens; and Prodigal is again in the same boat, although, as a sire of broodmares of the top class, he is resplendent. In the near future I hope to be able to compare the daughters of Allerton, Axtell and Prodigal as producers, taking account both of quantity and quality, and I am sure the facts will contain valuable lessons for breeders.

Three members of the above list—Red Wilkes, Onward and Alcantara—were foaled at approximately the same time, so far as the purposes of survey at the present day are concerned, their natal years being 1874, 1875 and 1876, respectively. At thirty years from his birth, the work of a stallion that has proven himself to be of the top class as a sire, or as a progenitor, or both is completed, and this trio are close together in achievement, to the extent that each has accomplished far more than the average trotting sire. From my point of view, Onward is decidedly the greatest of the lot, but, on this point, the figures to the close of 1914 tell the tale concisely and effectively. Here they are, the trotters, pacers, and speed producing sons and daughters of each being shown, together with the second generation total:

Name	T.	P.	Sons	Dau's.	2d Gen.
Onward	155	45	176	200	1324
Red Wilkes	133	45	150	177	1323
Alcantara	121	54	80	99	695

A close race indeed, in most particulars, between Onward and Red Wilkes, with practically no difference (1-1324) as to the number of their second generation descendants—not the total of the family with the second generation included. In the matter of the respective merits of the speed siring sons of Onward and Red Wilkes, an inexhaustible supply of food for discussion easily may be found, and this state of affairs is made still more plain when one goes carefully over the list of sires by each of the stallions and compares them from various points of view, the obvious conclusion being that there is, in this respect, no great difference between the two. In the matter of their producing daughters, however, there is no question about the superiority of Onward, since mares by him have produced 2:10 or better trotters (two of which entered the list at three years), while the daughters of Red Wilkes are the dams of but four 2:10 or better trotters. The fastest trotter from an Onward mare (1914) is Grace 2:04¾, and there are three that have beaten 2:08, all in races, the other two being Czarevna (3) 2:07¼ and Ario Leyburn 2:07¼. The fastest trotter from a daugher of Red Wilkes is Gay Audubon 2:06¾, and none of the other three has a better mark than 2:08¼, the average record of the four being 2:08.6, while that of the seven 2:10 list trotters from Onward mares is 2:07.85, so that, in every particular, the Onward mares make the best showing, to which general statement may properly be added the fact that one of those mares (Orianna 2:19¼) is the dam of two three-year-old trotters that are members of the 2:10 list, Czarevna 2:07¼ and Grace 2:08, the latter subsequently reducing her mark to 2:04¾, while Czarevna, having been sent to the breeding ranks at four, was not afforded an opportunity to show the full measure of her speed.

The strength of the Alcantara strain, as plainly shown by the figures given above, lies in the female line, ninety-nine of his daughters having produced standard speed, while only eighty of his sons have sired it. These dams have produced 117 trotters and seventy-four pacers, an average of practically two performers per mare, a wonderfully good showing when the large number of mares is considered. Alcantara, by the way, is the only sire of one hundred or more trotters that has not a single representative in the 2:10 trotting list. This unique fact leads one to wondering how the other sires of one hundred or more trotters stand in respect to their 2:10 trotters, which information will be found herewith:

Sire	2:30 Tr's.	2:10 Tr's.	Family
Allerton	205	6	Wilkes
Peter the Great	159	27	Happy Medium
Electioneer	158	3	Hambletonian 10
McKinney	157	16	Wilkes
Onward	155	5	Wilkes
Nutwood	137	1	Hambletonian 10
Bingen	137	9	Electioneer
Red Wilkes	133	2	Wilkes
Prodigal	132	4	Mambrino Chief
Jay Bird	130	7	Wilkes
Axtell	129	6	Wilkes
Baron Wilkes	122	5	Wilkes
Alcantara	121	0	Wilkes
Axworthy	116	11	Wilkes
Wilton	112	4	Wilkes
Gambetta Wilkes	111	3	Wilkes
Moko	111	9	Wilkes
Elyria	109	2	Mambrino Chief
Bingara	108	6	Electioneer
Pilot Medium	103	4	Hambletonian 10
Simmons	101	2	Wilkes

The most cursory examination of this list (which is based on figures to the close of 1914, Bingara alone excepted) shows what the bike sulky has done for our best sires in the way of assisting them to produce 2:10 trotters, since, of the three stallions that have one hundred or more 2:30 trotters and also have ten or more in the 2:10 division, not one has a performer whose record was taken to high wheels. Another noteworthy point is that Nutwood, by odds the greatest all around sire of his day (since he at one time had more standard performers than any other horse, and later achieved a like triumph as a sire of broodmares), in the above list, shows the same number of 2:30 trotters (137) as Nutwood, but his 2:10 score is nine. What percentage of the modern sire's supremacy is due to the advent of the bike sulky and what to the superior speed qualities of his get affords a large field for speculation, but the question is one that never can be definitely decided.

Thirteen of the twenty sires in the above list are descended from George Wilkes and but two from Electioneer, and yet the great progenitor of the present day (Bingen) is a grandson of Electioneer. And, in passing, it will not be amiss to call attention to the fact that both George Wilkes and Bingen (greatest sire of the Electioneer family) were double gaited horses and could pace a streak. Not for argumentative purposes, because that were a useless labor—the arguments go on every winter—but merely that what by some people is deemed an important (and by all an interesting) similarity in those two giants among sires and progenitors may not be overlooked.

Another big fact shown by the above list is that the sire who has by far the greatest percentage of 2:10 trotters—Peter the Great—is neither a Wilkes nor an Electioneer, he running in the male line to Happy Medium, while, on the female side, the most notable strains are those of Pilot Jr. and Sentinel, the latter a brother of Volunteer, at one time a leading sire, but who failed as a progenitor. All these facts have a bearing on the breeding problem, and constantly present a live issue in ever-changing form. And there is no dodging them by the man who seeks to produce a fast colt trotter. It always has been the fashion to deride "pedigree fiends," and, no doubt, some people, in the pursuit of knowledge about horses via the bloodlines route, lose sight of many important collateral facts, but, all the same, the earnest study and the proper appreciation of bloodlines is the foundation of all useful knowledge in the matter.

And, in considering the above table, the important fact that plenty of horses that get a considerable number of 2:10 trotters do not come within its precincts should be remembered. For example, there is Bellini whose 1914 figures are seventy-nine trotters, and fourteen of them are in the 2:10 list. He does not qualify under the "one hundred trotters" test, but his percentage of 2:10 trotters is 16.45 per cent., compared with 16.98 per cent. for Peter the Great, 10:19 per cent. by McKinney and 9:48 per cent. by Axworthy, the only sires in the above list whose 2:10 trotters run into double figures. In another article, I shall give some account of the sires that, lacking one hundred trotters in the list, still have gained a creditable position among the sires of 2:10 trotters.

A 1,000 POUND FOAL AT 7 MONTHS.

Pullman Peggy is a Percheron foal bred and owned by Washington State College. She was foaled on April 3 and on Nov. 3, the day she was 7 months old, she tipped the scales at 1,000 pounds. Occasional weighings of the foal showed that on June 2 she weighed 439 pounds, on July 12 600 pounds, and on Aug. 28 800 pounds.

Pullman Peggy is not just a chunk of beef; in fact, she does not impress one as being fat. She has quality combined with substance. Some have commented upon her as being too heavy for her legs. Time alone can verify this opinion. At the present time there is not the slightest evidence that she will go wrong in her legs. She possesses a clean and strong set. She has the flat, flinty bone and the large, open hoofhead so characteristic of the Percherons. She is both stylish and rugged.

The size of this foal is no doubt the result of judicious feeding and management. She has been fed in a boxstall with her mother and given plenty of exercise in a large paddock. The dam was fed largely on ground oats and bran, with a liberal quantity of clover and oat hay. No attempt was made to push the foal to early maturity.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

JOHN X. DeWITT, for over twenty years editor of the Rod, Gun and Kennel department of the Breeder and Sportsman, ended his life early Monday evening by shooting himself through the heart with a shot gun. This tragic act took place while he was alone in the editorial rooms of the Breeder and Sportsman early in the evening, and was the result of a mind crazed by weeks of suffering from an incurable affection of the valves of the heart. It was his practice to come to the office and do a portion of his work after dark, and evidently on this occasion he found his suffering more than he could bear, as is attested by the following note which he left on a table near where the body was found:

"The past forty-eight hours has been a period of distressful torture. My illness seems to grow worse, and, with other complications coming on, even with health partially regained, I see nothing encouraging in the future. I'll quit the game for good and all. J. X. DeWITT."

DeWitt had always been a strong, hearty man up to within the last six months when his health commenced to fail, he complaining of his stomach and heart. Recently he put in three weeks at the Fairmont Hospital and came back to the office on December 22, apparently considerably better, but this improvement did not last.

DeWitt was one of the best known newspapermen in San Francisco, especially among the older contingency. He was born in this city and except for a few years spent in the east, has lived here all his lifetime, and was unquestionably one of the best informed men on field sports generally of the Pacific Coast. He was an ardent angler, hunter, naturalist, and an enthusiast on all kindred subjects. He was equally at home when writing about field sports or actively enjoying them with the rod or gun. It was because of his knowledge and the interesting style in which he handled his work, and his personality, his conviviality, and good fellowship that he was held in high esteem by thousands who follow the pleasures of the field and stream.

As a kennel editor and expert he knew the fine points of the bench show dogs and took great interest in the field trials, having attended most of the annual trials held near Bakersfield.

He was a member of the Olympic Club for many years and belonged to the Anglers' Club as well as the Native Sons. His sad departure from this life will be regretted by all who remember him, and no one who knows the pain that he suffered with no prospect of permanent relief will blame him for taking a short cut over the divide to the hereafter, where, we all hope, he has found the peace that he was seeking.

DUCK HUNTING IN THE SNOW.

California hunters had the odd and unique experience last week of tramping over snow and ice to follow their favorite pastime. Quite a number of parties took advantage of the holiday season to travel up-state and burn up some smokeless powder. On the whole the reports were quite pleasing, limit bags as a rule rewarding their efforts.

Local conditions, however, remain as unfavorable as in the past several weeks. The storm had the effect of scattering the birds still farther away and the operations on the bay counties' salt marshes were practically at a stand-still. Not in years past have the bay hunters experienced such poor sport.

Up around Colusa and the Butte country game was reported in abundance. There was from five to six inches of snow on the ground and ice formed on the still water in the ponds and creeks, but this did not seem to interfere with the activities of the wild fowl. Ducks and geese were there to feed on the extensive rice fields and they stayed around despite the white covering on the ground.

Superior Judges William H. Donohue and T. W. Harris together with Frank Roop, Charles Helms and Myron Harris of San Francisco made up a party that had some exciting sport at the Colusa Gun Club, but spent some hours in reaching their respective homes with limit bags. They started out on New Year's Day and ran right into the teeth of the terrific storm that swept the state.

Superintendent Fred Watson met the brave hunters and had some entertainment for their benefit and then they repaired to the blinds. Mallard were found plentiful and some teal and a few canvasbacks were brought down. The birds were flying well and the eleven hunters that were at the club did not have any trouble bagging the limit.

The troubles commenced in getting home. A train was taken at Colusa at two o'clock on Sunday afternoon and they did not reach San Francisco until 6 o'clock the following morning. The train was held up five hours at the Suisun crossing because of the high wind and more delay was met later on because of flood conditions. It was a tired bunch of hunters, but happy with plenty of game.

A. G. Wilkes and wife enjoyed some good hunting at the Green Head Club near Live Oaks in the Buttes. Snow and ice were in evidence but the ducks were flying and conditions were rather pleasant. Both are crack shots and it was no difficult feat for each to get a limit bag.

Down in the Los Banos and Dos Palos country there are many ponds and overflows, but for some reason or other ducks are rather scarce. Farther up the valley, near Newman, Charley Huber and Otto Feudner report first class hunting conditions.

Charles A. (Spide) Baum and Louis Sepulveda, two ball players on the San Francisco team, are back from a two-months hunting trip into Mendocino county and are enthusiastic over hunting and fishing prospects. They say mountain and valley quail, bear, deer, trout, salmon—black and spring—were found in abundance. They traveled a wild country.

They took a train to Longvale and went in some twenty-five miles by stage and foot. The diamond stars located at George Lovejoy's ranch and took the limit of game and fish while they were in season. It's a great trapping country, too, says Baum, who has often been dubbed the "boy trapper."

Baum is trying to work up interest among the baseball players to purchase a tract of land in Mendocino county and establish a gun club. He expects to have everything in readiness by next fall.

TOM ROUSE'S BEAR STORY.

"Speaking of bear," said Tom Rouse, as he raked a baked potato out of the hot ashes of the campfire, "reminds me of the little tussle we had with a big grizzly back in the sixties on the east side of the Tehachapi mountains." Tom broke his potato in two, dug out the salt can from the camp mess and took a bite a little too big and so much too hot that he had to roll it about for some time before he dared to either chew or swallow it. When he at last succeeded in clearing his mouth, he exclaimed: "Gosh, boys, but that was hot, but no hotter than the time we had with that bear. Wait till I finish this spud and I'll tell you all about it."

Tom Rouse was an old hunter, and while sometimes the boys thought he "put a little too much risin' in his dough," they still knew that he had an enviable record as a bear hunter and carried a few unmistakeable scars to bear mute witness to encounters a little too close for anyone with less courage than Tom was known to possess. The day's hunt had been very unsuccessful and accordingly the little group around the campfire was rather dull, so Tom's promise of a good bear story at once commanded attention; for they all knew that when Tom Rouse characterized an encounter as a "hot one" it was sure to be entertaining.

After Tom's baked potato was finally stowed away and his pipe lighted, he began:

"If any of you have hunted on the east side of old Tehachapi you'll remember the big rock cliffs. We were camped close to the south end of these cliffs, just where the wall was broken down with the earthquake of '51 and left those two big leaning rocks in the form of a tent. I wasn't there in '51 but I'm inclined to think that the Indians lied about the earthquake putting those rocks in that shape. My experience in San Francisco on a certain historic occasion was that earthquakes aren't particular about piling things up in a useful way, any more'n a bronco mule is about what becomes of you after he has given you a broadside from his business end. My belief is that them rocks were put in that shape by the good Lord for the very purpose of saving Bill Piper's life.

"Well, there were three of us in the camp, and me and Lige Dickens had left Bill Piper to keep camp and had gone to look for bear. Lige had gone up on the ledge of rocks where he could look down while I took along the side of the mountain about fifty yards below. We had nearly reached the northern end of the ledge when I heard Lige whistle. I looked up to the top of the ledge and there was Lige waving his hand to me to go back as if he was in a big hurry about it. I stood still and listened and looked ahead of me but I could neither hear nor see anything, while all the time Lige was waving his hand frantically for me to fall back. But I was looking for bear, and if there were any of 'em near I didn't want to retreat without seeing 'em and at least getting a shot. The brush was pretty thick and about as high as my head so that I couldn't see more 'n ten or fifteen feet ahead of me, but I wasn't going to back out until I knew what was there. Lige was about sixty feet above me and some fifty yards away and was therefore looking down so he could see what was doing. At last when he saw that I wasn't going to retreat he called down: 'It's two big grizzlies—and they're not fifteen feet from you!'

"At the sound of Lige's voice I heard a snort and the breaking of brush right in front of me. I made a jump to get behind a clump of brush, but my foot caught in a vine or something of the kind and I was just falling beyond the brush when the end of the nose of one of the bears hit me in the side and knocked me clean out of his way and over against the dead branches of a fallen tree. Maybe you think I wasn't scared. Well, I was, but not half so much as that bear. The two of them had been waddling along leisurely up to the time Lige called me. His voice scared them and they broke into a run, not knowing that I was right in front of 'em, so that when I tripped and fell before the leader just in time to be caught by his nose he didn't realize what he had run into, and hadn't time to stop to investigate, but went tearing through the brush, snorting at every jump. As soon as they had passed me, and before I had extricated myself from the dead tree and recovered my rifle, I heard Lige shoot. Our guns in those days were muzzle loaders and of course he had but the one shot and the bears went on.

"As soon as I had assured him that I was not hurt Lige began reloading, telling me not to follow them too close as I would have no show with them in such thick brush. After reloading he followed along the ledge, while I had no difficulty in following their trail from below, which was taking a direct course for our camp. Every minute or two I would look up to Lige—who was now keeping pretty well out of sight—for directions as to where and how far the bears were ahead of me. A grizzly never runs far at a time, when he does run; and he never runs when he thinks he is in close quarters and can see his adversary, and very seldom after he is wounded, unless it's after the fellow who did it, so I expected any moment to come onto them.

"When I had been so unceremoniously knocked out of the way I didn't have time to see how big the brute was but Lige said one of them was a monster, and this being the case I didn't propose to let him get away, so I kept following 'em up pretty close. We had got to within less than two hundred yards of the camp when Lige motioned that they were right in front of me. While I was working up cautionsly Lige raised his rifle and fired. At the crack of his rifle I again heard the brush snapping and rushed up to get a shot at them myself. But the brush at this point was considerably higher than my head and quite thick, so it was difficult to see any distance at all. At the same time Bill Piper rushed out from the camp, calling to know what was up. Lige hallooed to him to get back out of sight, that the bear was coming right toward him. Just at this the big fellow broke into the open where our camp was located, and seeing Bill made straight for him. Bill drew a bead but failed to stop him. I tore through the brush as best I could and reached the open just in time to see Bill running around the rock tent with a fifteen hundred pound bear not more than ten feet behind him.

"The two leaning rocks that formed the tent were close up to the perpendicular ledge, and a lot of other rocks in falling had piled up between them so as to form a high connection with the ledge. Over this Bill came scrambling as fast as he could and down the side toward me with the bear too close a second for Bill's peace of mind. 'Go round again!' I yelled as I fired at the bear's throat over Bill's head. My shot hit him hard in the sticking place and he half rolled down to the level ground. As he rocovered his feet and made after Bill I called to Lige to look out for him as he came over again, and drawing my revolver rushed up to close quarters. In less time than it takes to tell it I saw Bill coming over this course on the second lap. Lige had reached a point not more than ten feet from the hurdle over which they were coming and nearly above them, and I had gained a rock within six feet of the course. On account of the bear stumbling from my shot Bill had gained a lead of fully twenty feet, and the bear, weakened from the three good shots that were now in him, wasn't taking the hurdle as clean as he did on the first lap. As Bill came over I called to him, saying: 'Keep it up, Bill! If you gain as much the next lap as you have on this you'll have him by the tail.' As the bear appeared Lige caught him with a good shot from above in the neck, while I, reaching to within four feet of his ear, directed my fire for the brain and he went down like a felled ox, hitting the ground at the bottom of the rocks with such a thud that further shooting was unnecessary. Billy, however, had taken my advice and came over the hurdle for the third lap with such a rush that he almost landed on the dead bear, while Lige, from his perch on the cliff, called out: 'Bill wins in the third round; time, one minute and twenty-seven seconds.'"

As Tom seemed to have finished his story and began raking in the ashes again, one of the boys asked:

"What became of the other bear?"

"Oh," said Tom, "the little fellow kept right on when the big one took after Bill. As soon as Bill had recovered his wind we all three took his trail and got him within less than half a mile of the camp. But that's another story," he said, as he raked another potato out of the fire, "and I'm not going to let this spud burn for the sake of a young grizzly that didn't weigh more'n five hundred pounds."

FIELD TRIALS AT BAKERSFIELD.

Conditions were most propitious for the thirty-third event of the Pacific Coast Friield Trial Club. The weather was perfect, the dogs were in fine fettle, the ground just ripe from recent rains to hold the scent, and the cover in most places excellent. The attendance was good although only a few of the Old Guard were present. Among the new enthusiasts was Mrs. A. G. Wilkes who enjoyed the test of long heats, riding horses of different ages and dispositions. She was there at the finish each time and enjoyed the sport immensely. She knows a good dog, too, and is an impartial judge.

The judging at the trials was done by John Schumacher and Walter Scott, whose decisions generally gave satisfaction.

At the annual meeting of the association the following officers were elected: President, A. G. Wilkes, San Francisco; first vice-president, John Schumacher, os LAngeles; second vice-president, John Flynn, San Francisco; third vice-president, J. Walter Scott, San Francisco; secretary and treasurer, S. Christenson, San Francisco; executive board, J. S. French, J. Walter Scott, J. A. Chanslor, Phil Wand and Martin I. Smith.

The date of next year's trials was considered and if conditions are favorable they will be held the second week in December.

Devotees of field trials had the pleasure of seeing a private exhibition of moving pictures of the events staged at Bakersfield. It was the first time that the Pacific Coast Field Trial Club has had moving pictures taken of their contests and the clear vision of the star setters and pointers in action afforded a deal of pleasure to the fanciers.

Those present at the exhibition were President A. G. Wilkes, secretary-treasurer S. Christenson, J. A. Chanslor, John W. Considine, J. S. French, William S. Tevis, Lansing Tevis and A. Walter Scott. The trials this season were pronounced the best in the history of the organization. Birds were plentiful and the ground in excellent shape for the dogs to work.

Summaries.

December 16—ANNUAL DERBY, open to pointers and setters whelped on or after January 1, 1914. Twelve starters, ten English setters and two pointers.

Blue Gladerigo, blue belton setter dog, by Old Forester—Dixie Chase. Joseph Canslor, owner; W. B. Coutts, handler.

With

Willing Actor, white, black and tan setter dog, by Western Boy—Bessie Whitestone. Wilkes & Avery, owners; Roy Avery, handler.

Freebooter, white, black and tan setter dog, by Free Lance—Lightheart. S. Christenson, owner; W. B. Coutts, handler.

With

Kenwood Beauty, white, black and tan setter bitch, by Melrose Dude—Caesar's Keepsake. Joseph Chanslor, owner; Fred Coutts, handler.

Kenwood Fan, white, black and tan setter bitch, by Melrose Dude—Caesar's Keepsake. W. B. Coutts, agent and handler.

With

Luana, white, black and tan setter bitch, by Western Boy—Bessie Whitestone. Jack McKee, owner and handler.

Kenwood Rock, white, black and tan setter dog, by Old Forester—Caesar's Keepsake. L. Titus, owner; W. B. Coutts, handler.

With

Rod Gladerigo, white, black and tan setter dog, by Old Forester—Dixie Chase. Avery & Wilkes, owners; Roy Avery, handler.

Babe, white, black and tan pointer bitch, by Ladess of Stockdale—Doctor's Daughter. Dr. Brown, owner; T. C. Dodge, handler.

With

Kenwood Sam, white, black and tan setter dog, by Old Forester—Caesar's Keepsake. Mrs. A. G. Wilkes, owner; Fred Coutts, handler.

Woodrow Gladerigo, blue belton setter dog, by Old Forester—Dixie Chase. J. S. French, owner; Ray Avery, handler.

With

Del Rey Kee, black and white bitch, by Deuce II—Anna Dee. M. I. Smith, owner; Fred Coutts, handler.

II.

Rod Gladerigo with Kenwood Sam.
Woodrow Gladerigo with Kenwood Fan.
Kenwood Beauty with Del Rey Dee.

Result.

1st Kenwood Sam. 2nd—Del Rey Dee. 3rd—Kenwood Beauty.

December 17—ALL-AGE STAKE, open to all pointers and setters. Ten starters, all English setters.

St. Ives, white, black and ticked setter dog, by Uncle Jimmie Whitestone—Belle Fontaine. H. S. Russ, owner; W. B. Coutts, handler.

With

Melrose Rod, white, black and tan setter dog, by Melrose Dude—Caesar's Keepsake. W. B. Coutts, agent and handler.

Shasta Maid, white, black and tan setter bitch, by Bohemian Prince—Shasta Queen. Frank Ruhstaller, owner; Fred Coutts, handler.

With

Dixie Chase, blue belton setter bitch, by Sven C—Blue Bonnet. J. S. French, owner; A. J. Wilkes, handler.

Melrose Dude, white, black and tan setter dog, by Melrose Prince—Kil's Jessie. Mrs. A. G. Wilkes, owner; Roy Avery, handler.

With

Orange Blossom, white and orange setter bitch, by Bohemian Prince—Peach Nugget. S. Christenson, owner; Fred Coutts, handler.

Old Forester, blue belton setter dog, by Count Whitestone—Harter's Cleopatra. Joseph Chanslor, owner; Fred Coutts, handler.

With

Terry, white, black and tan setter dog, by Melrose Dude—Caesar's Keepsake. Joseph Terry, owner; W. B. Coutts, handler.

Kenwood Beauty, white, black and tan setter bitch, by Melrose Dude —Caesar's Keepsake. Joseph Chanslor, owner; Fred Coutts, handler.

With

Melrose Chief, white, black and tan setter dog, by Melrose Dude—Caesar's Keepsake. J. W. Considine, owner; W. B. Coutts, handler.

II.

Orange Blossom with Shasta Maid.
Melrose Dude with Melrose Chief.

Result.

1st—Melrose Dude. 2nd—Orange Blossom. 3rd—Shasta Maid.

December 19—MEMBERS' STAKE, open to pointers and setters owned and handled by members. Five starters, three pointers and two English setters.

Peach Nugget, white and orange setter bitch, by Count Whitestone—Peach Blossom. S. Christenson, owner and handler.

With

Saddle, white and black pointer dog, by Ladas of Stockdale—Blue Ribbon. Lansing Tevis, owner and handler.

Wilson, white and orange pointer dog, by Rexall—Hoosier Girl. Dr. Brown, owner and handler.

With

Del Rey Flash, white and liver pointer dog, by Dooley —Del Rey Rose. Martin Smith, Jr., owner and handler.

Dixie Chase, blue belton setter bitch, by Sven C—Blue Bonnet, a bye. J. S. French, owner; A. J. Wilkes, handler.

Result.

1st—Dixie Chase. 2d—Wilson. 3d—Del Rey Flash.

NATIONAL SPORTSMEN'S SHOW.

The Sportsman's Review of the current month calls attention to the coming exposition of sports to be held in Madison Square Garden, New York, and says:

"When the Wild will be calling loudest, in mid-March, American sportsmen will rally at the 1916 National Sportsmen's Show at Madison Square Garden. The coming event will be unusually interesting for various reasons, including the fact that it will mark the twenty-first year of Sportsmen's shows, which were begun in May, 1895, at the Garden. These annual exhibitions are held by the National Sportsmen's Show Corporation, under the auspices and approbation of the National Sportsmen's Association, Inc. The managers are Captain J. A. H. Dressel and Allen S. Williams. Captain Dressel is the founder of these shows. The president of the association is Mr. W. H. Allen, of Penniac, New Brunswick, and the association is almost as strong in Canada as in the United States.

"The coming show will open March 15 and close March 22. Besides the usual commercial exhibits of sportsmen's arms, ammunition and general equipment for all outers there will be picturesque and panoramic exhibits representing sportsmen's paradises in Wyoming, Montana, the Adirondacks, Maine, Florida, Virginia, Louisiana, Long Island, the British Northwest and Canadian provinces of Ontario, Quebec, New Brunswick and Nova Scotia. An extensive exhibit of big game trophies will represent Africa.

"Guides will appear at the show in greater number than ever before. These pilots of the forest will bring with them pine trees, their log cabins, canoes, snow shoes and other paraphernalia, and within their exhibit spaces will practice their handicraft, ranging from making moose calls to tying flies which will beguile the wiliest trout. These hardy game scouts with their woodsy environment and lore of the trail make the strongest appeal to the ardent hunter and angler of any feature of the show.

"The center of the arena floor of the Garden will be a lake in which will float canoes, duck boats and hunters' motor boats. In the water will swim live fish, to interest the young folks, who will be glad to meet friendly Indians in beads, buckskin and feathers, who will give the children free rides in birchbark canoes around the lake, affording the young voyagers opportunities to inspect at close range rare wild aquatic birds domiciled on an island in the lake's center.

"With no intent to take the wind out of the sails of the circus which will take possession of the Garden when the sportsmen leave it, the show will have its own menagerie of wild animals, live game, game birds, game fish and interesting specimens. The New Brunswick guides are going to bring a moose as their mascot, and Ambler D. Moncure from the Blue Ridge Mountains of Virginia, will exhibit in his characteristic hunters' retreat, some tame non-venomous snakes along with pet possums and baby bears.

"In the Concert Hall of the Garden will be conferences of conservationists, lectures with lantern slides and motion pictures illustrating fishing, hunting, camping and forestry and other special attractions."

ENORMOUS OUTPUT OF FISH EGGS AT THE GREAT LAKES HATCHERIES.

According to the Government report made public on the 30th of December, the Great Lakes fish hatcheries accomplished satisfactory results with commercial fish this year, as evidenced by the annual report of United States Fish Commissioner H. M. Smith.

"Although storms and sudden ice formation hampered fishing operations during the spawning season," reports Mr. Smith, "yet the losses in some fields were in most instances compensated for by unusual success in others, and the final outcome of the collecting season was an aggregate of 1,843,492,540 eggs of all species handled as compared with 1,634,591,880 during the corresponding season of 1914.

"The egg collections of only one species, the common whitefish, fell behind those of the previous year, the total shortage in this instance amounting to about 42,000,000.

"The take of lake trout eggs, on the other hand, was more than 8,000,000 in excess of that in 1914 and there was a small gain in the collection of pike-perch eggs over last year.

"The whitefish propagation in Lake Erie was satisfactory. A scarcity of fish occurred in the Put-In-Bay field, and there was a shortage in the catch at Monroe piers, owing to the destruction of fishermen's nets by floating ice fields at the height of the spawning season.

"The take of eggs in all other fields in this lake was greater than ever before and the yield from some of them was twice that of the preceding year.

"While the aggregate egg collections, amounting to 479,290,000, were nearly 10,000,000 less than in 1914, their quality was so good that there was a decided increase in the white-fish output of the Put-In-Bay station.

"Notwithstanding the fairly good results obtained with the pike-perch in Lake Erie, as regards both quality of eggs and number taken, the collection period was the shortest ever known in Lake Erie."

HEARING ON FISH SCREENS.

The subject of placing fish screens in the irrigation ditches, a conservation measure passed by the State Legislature in 1915, has been having a hearing before Carl Westerfeldt, a member of the State Fish and Game Commission, in the office of Andy Ferguson, at Fresno this week.

Under the provisions of the new law, the irrigation companies are given the privilege of having a hearing and of introducing whatever evidence they may wish and of hearing evidence from the commission. The action taken by the Fresno County canal owners to bring the matter to a hearing is the first of its kind in the state. The screens are provided as a measure of preventing the loss of thousands of fish each year.

The companies which were represented at the hearing were the Turner Ditch Co.; Reed Ditch Co.; Riverdale Ditch Co.; Stinson Canal and Irrigation Co.; Kings River and Fresno Canal Co., and the Emigrant Ditch Co., owners of these canals supplying practically all the irrigation waters used in the county of Fresno. The companies were represented by Short & Sunderland and the Fish and Game Commission by their attorney, R. D. Duke of San Francisco. A. E. Culver, of the State Hatchery Department, under whose direction is the enforcement of the new law, also attended the hearing.

Thousands of screens have been placed in canals through out the northern part of the state. Final decision regarding the directions for the placing of these screens in the ditches of Fresno county will be made by Commissioner Westerfeldt after the evidence introduced at the hearing has been received.

These screens must be provided at the intake or mill race of irrigating ditches, pipes, flumes or canals as directed by the commission. Practically all the power companies of the state have complied with the provisions. They must be of the fineness and quality that will prevent the passing of all fish from river, creek or lake from which the canals conduct their water.

"The law has not been enforced in the past because of the lack of a screen that would serve the purpose and at the same time not interfere with the flow of the water," a member of the Fish and Game Commission said. "But now that there has been invented several screens that serve the purpose the law will be strictly carried out. This safeguard will result in the saving of fish in large quantities."

Michael J. Connell, Fish and Game Commissioner of Los Angeles, reports that there is to be expended $50,000 this year in permanently improving southern California sporting conditions. Under the supervision of William H. Shebley, State Superintendent of Hatcheries, a large modern hatchery will be located in the Sierras in Inyo county, either at Independence or Lone Pine. The hatchery will have cement floors and the installations throughout will be of the best. Superintendent Shebley has been given authority to expend as much as $30,000 on the hatchery, which will have a capacity to stock all southern California streams and lakes beyond anything attempted heretofore. A new patrol boat with a speed of fifteen knots will be built in Los Angeles, plans having been drawn for such a boat, to be in charge of the Game Commission.

San Jose Club Braves Rain.—Despite a 40-mile gale, accompanied by rain, a little bunch of marksmen attended the regular shoot of San Jose Rifle and Pistol Club near Alum Rock Park. Six intrepid shooters started, but only two finished. Carroll and Knobel shot it out in the storm for three hours, Carroll winning out by only one point. The result:

Carroll, high gun, with 417.

Knobel, second high gun, with 416.

First best shot, Knobel 22; last best shot, Knobel 24; sharpshooter, Carroll 25.

Scores: Carroll 211—206; Knobel 210—206.

McGlynn, Carroll and Knobel shot a contest with pistols, 25 shots each, at 20 yards, McGlynn winning handily, the scores of each being 198, 189, 186 respectively.

A very handsome trophy offered by William Gilbert was to have been shot for Sunday, but owing to the bad weather the match was postponed until the regular shoot on the 16th of this month.

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Miss Hammond and Mrs. Riley Winners of the Diana Trophy.—The shoot of the Nemours (Ladies') Trapshooting Club for the Diana Trophy Contest, which has been running since October 7, closed December 30. This contest was arranged by Mr. Ellwood A. Davis of the Millard F. Davis Company and Mr. W. M. Hammond of the Hercules Powder Company. Mr. Davis gave a beautiful sterling silver vase for high scratch score covering the ten shoots that the contestants were obliged to make between October 7 and December 30, and Mr. Hammond gave a vase of the same style for high handicap score covering the same number of shoots.

At the close of the contest yesterday, when scores were compiled it was found that Miss Harriet Hammond had made the highest scratch score, having a total of 188 actual breaks to her credit. When it came to handicap scores Mrs. E. L. Riley was in the lead, her actual number of breaks with her added targets giving her a total of 186. The ladies are very proud of their trophies which are beautifully engraved and have the monogram of the club on them.

The spoon event was also won by Mrs. Riley, who with her handicap scored on more break than Miss Hammond. Scores (25 targets) follow:

	Score.	Hdc.	Total.
Miss Hammond	18	0	18
Mrs. Riley	15	4	19

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High Averages.—High Professional average at Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 23, was won by Mr. F. K. Eastman, who scored 142 ex 150 with Peters "steel where steel belongs" shells.

At Miamisburg, Ohio, Nov. 25, high ameteur average was won by Mr. Ed. Cain of Dayton, 95 ex 100, closely followed by Ike Brandenburg of Dayton, 93 ex 100, both using Peters shells. Mr. C. A. Young of Springfield cleaned up the program of 100 straight without a miss, also with the "P" brand.

High amateur and general high averages at Dallas, Texas, Nov. 25, were won by Mr. W. H. Bertrand of Dallas, 130 ex 150; Mr. Phil. Miller was second with 129, and Mr. S. L. Hassell, Jr., third, 127, all using Peters factory loaded shells.

At the St. Thomas, Ont., tournament, Nov. 29, Dec. 1, the most important tournament of the latter part of the 1915 season, Mr. Rolla Heikes, shooting Peters shells, won high professional and high general averages, shooting almost continuously in a blizzard, his score being 385 ex 400. Another shooting record of even greater merit was the winning of the Grand International Handicap by Mr. W. J. McCance, captain of the St. Thomas Gun Club, by the fine score of 96 ex 100. Mr. McCance also shot Peters "steel where steel belongs" shells.

CHANGE RULES FOR RIFLE TOURNAMENT.

Washington, Dec. 30.—Rules for the 1916 national rifle matches have been drafted by a committee appointed to formulate them for consideration of the board for the promotion of rifle practice, which will meet here Jan. 13 for its annual session. The committee was composed of Gen. Spencer, New Jersey National Guard, chairman; Gen. Drain, Washington National Guard; Capt. Shindel, U. S. A., and Capt. Harlee, marine corps. The suggested changes of rules were made public today by the war department and are in substance as follows:

To substitute for the present method of division of teams by standing into three classes with trophies and prizes for each class, a Class A, B and C division on standing, the first of the state teams to form the first class, the next fifteen the second and the remaining teams the third. Class A team members would receive gold medals, Class B silver and Class C bronze. Cash prizes would be dispensed with in the national matches.

Teams from the army, navy and marine corps and also from schools and colleges would be added to the various classes according to standing, a single trophy to be awarded to the highest United States service team and a single trophy to the highest school or college team. The highest score team of the trophy winners would be awarded the national trophy, the second team the Hilton trophy and the third team the bronze Soldier of Marathon trophy.

The committee suggests that the coast artillery be represented by a team and that officers with the rank of major be admitted to the competition as team captains, previous regulations having excluded grades above captain.

A general revision of rules governing pistol matches is recommended and it is proposed that the number of cash prizes be increased in the national individual matches.

The board will decide at its January meeting the place of the 1916 matches.

ELKS' TEETH NOT EMBLEMATICAL.

Dr. Ralph Hagan, President of the California Elks State Reunion Association, takes exception to the following article which appeared in the Breeder and Sportsman on January 1st:

Underground Elk Dentistry.—A curious fact was developed in the recent round-up of elk at Buttonwillow, in Kern county, none other than that the teeth or tusks of the bull elk were uniformly missing. These teeth, as is well known, are prized as charms by members of the Order of Elks and therefore have a commercial value. The teeth are not used or needed for mastication by the animals and it is said that at a previous round-up many elk were roped and the teeth extracted. Also, the story goes, that vaqueros have frequently lassoed the animals and pulled the teeth. In any event, of some fifty bull elks examined, none had the usual teeth and presumably many a member of the B. P. O. E. is wearin an elk tooth charm at the expense of the antlered herd at Buttonwillow.

His statement regarding the matter will be seen below:

"Los Angeles, Cal., Jan. 4, 1916.

"Editor Breeder and Sportsman,
"San Francisco, Cal.

"Dear Sir:

"I note the enclosed article in the Jan. 1st issue of your paper and desire that you be placed right in the matter.

"The National Order of Elks is a benevolent and charitable organization and not one of a barbarous nature as you would lead your readers to believe. Some years ago our Order went on record condemning the use of the elk tooth by our members and at the same time took the matter up with our government and arranged to have the herds of American elks fed and cared for as much as possible during the long cold winters. The elk tooth in question is not in any way emblematic of our Order and may be worn by any person who desires an ornament, if the same may be classed as such.

"I sincerely hope you will see fit to right your readers in this matter.

"Respectfully yours,
"RALPH HAGAN."

NATION MAY ENTER SEALSKIN TRADE.

Secretary William C. Redfield of the Department of Commerce, in his annual report says that the Government is considering plans to dispose of more than 3,000 sealskins which are now held in cold storage. It is suggested that the Government may have the skins dressed and dyed in this country, bringing here an industry which before the European war flourished abroad. In discussing the question, Secretary Redfield says:

"In February, 1915, Congress, by joint resolution, authorized the Secretary of Commerce to postpone the sale of sealskins then in his possession to such time as he might deem advisable. Under the law as it existed theretofore, the annual sale of sealskins was required. In the unsettled state of the international fur market, arising from the European war, a material loss in revenue would have resulted had the sale been forced during the past fiscal year.

"There are now in cold storage 3,290 sealskins, to which should be added the number taken from animals slaughtered during the summer season of 1915. If war conditions continue so as to close international markets, it may be necessary to postpone the sale of the skins taken this season as was done last year.

"The department has under consideration, however, a plan whereby all of these raw skins, those taken both in 1914 and 1915, may be dressed and dyed in this country by the best process known anywhere for the purpose and not hitherto used in this country, which would result not only in saving the skins from any possible deterioration in storage but would permit their sale as fully dressed and dyed furs of the best quality at prices remunerative to the Government. This would save the purchasers the cost of shipment to Great Britain for dyeing and dressing, as heretofore has been necessary, the expense of reshipment to this country, and the duty heretofore imposed upon them when so reshipped.

"The result of this arrangement would be to put into American control the entire process from beginning to end, to bring to this country an industry not existing here before, and to save upon this valuable product a large amount of unnecessary expense which has hitherto been imposed thereon by reason of our dependence upon a foreign source for dyeing and dressing.

"When commercial killing of fur seals shall be renewed—and the rapid growth of the herd will make that soon both possible and desirable—other products of that herd than the fur skins should have a consideration which has never been given them. The seal carcasses contain materials of economic value which have hitherto been wasted and which are far beyond the power of the native community to utilize. The department is giving the profitable utilization of seal meat and refuse careful thought."

PROGRESS ON JOHN MUIR TRAIL.

Work on the John Muir Trail, in the High Sierras, which is being built by co-operation between the State and the Forest Service, has suspended for the season and reports as to the results accomplished have been received from the Forest Supervisors who had charge of the work on the Sierra and the Sequoia National Forests.

Twenty-one miles of new trail were constructed, two and one-half miles of old trail were repaired, and one bridge built.

The trail has a minimum tread of thirty inches, with plenty of turnouts in dangerous places, and the grade, except in a few stretches, was kept below fifteen per cent. Where grading work was done, ample clearance was made for packs, and in timber country six feet clearance between trees was obtained. All prominent trees along the trail were blazed with the Forest Service blaze, and above timber-line monuments of large size were placed at frequent intervals.

The total cost of the work done last summer was $4,733.49—or about $200 per mile. Portions of the trail were hewn through solid granite, and cost at the rate of $2300 per mile. The work was done by the Forest Service under the direction of the State Engineer.

When completed the trail will furnish a practicable saddle route from the Yosemite to Mount Whitney through the High Sierras.

RAIN SPOILS ANGLING.

The heavy rain and storm played havoc with fishing conditions. With prospects bright for some good steelhead angling on the Russian River the downpour came along and swelled the stream to overflowing. It is doubtful if the river will clear enough to permit the sport before the season closes.

It has been quiet, too, with the striped bass fraternity along the San Antonio. It rained so hard last Sunday that few of the boys ventured out.

NATIONAL RIFLE ASSOCIATION DOINGS.

The first two weeks in January will be busy times for the National Rifle Association and the National Board for Promotion of Rifle Practice. The former will hold its annual meeting of the Board of Directors at the New Willard Hotel on the evening of Wednesday, January 12, and the following day the annual meeting of the National Board will be held in the office of the Assistant Secretary of War. There will also be meetings of subcommittees on rules and range construction and legislation and it is probable that meetings will be held with the military committees of the House and Senate. At the National Board meeting it will be decided whether there will be annual matches during 1916. Sentiment outside of the War Department seems to be unanimous for these matches to be held annually but the Department will probably take the stand that it is impossible to spare the troops for the matches during maneuver year, which will be in 1916. This objection could probably be met by the use of National Guardsmen to do this work. As to a range for holding the 1916 matches there are still only three ranges available: Camp Perry, Ohio, Sparta, Wis., and Jacksonville, Fla. The Sparta range would require the expenditure of considerable money to get it ready for the matches. Quartermaster storehouses and mess buildings would have to be constructed and considerable repair work done to the range itself. Sea Girt, of course, is anxious to have the matches and everybody would be pleased to go to the beautiful and salubrious seaside range in Jersey, but if more than forty teams should attend the shoot, it would be almost impossible for the Sea Girt range to accommodate the match.

It has been suggested that with very little expense and trouble the Camp Alger range, the State range of the Illinois National Guard, could be made available for the national matches if Illinois wanted them. All required of the range would be the construction of an additional butt of 50 targets. As an alternative the War Department may ask Congress for an appropriation to be made immediately available for the construction of a large federal range near Washington. Efforts have been made for the last ten years to provide the National Capital with a model federal range which could be used jointly by all branches of the service stationed in and around Washington, as well as the National Guard and civilian rifle clubs, the high school cadets and the boy scouts. It is only a matter of time when the National Guard range at Congress Heights, D. C., will have to be abandoned. A commission appointed by the War Department investigated the question of a federal range near the District and reported to Congress three sites which were available, two in Virginia and on in West Virginia. It is understood that one Virginia site, recommended was within ten miles of Washington and on or near a local suburban trolley line. Without doubt all the States of the Union would welcome and look forward with great pleasure to sending a State team to national matches that might be held in or near the City of Washington, and the latter part of September is generally productive of ideal weather. The whole question opens up possibilities which would mean the great enhancement of rifle practice interest in this country. Beyond doubt nothing has ever been done to increase this interest as much as the national matches and the Government is well repaid for the expenses connected with holding them.

THE FARM

GREEN FEED IN WINTER.

Green feeds for poultry contain only a small percentage of actual food nutrients, but are important because of their succulence and bulk, which lighten the grain rations and assist in keeping the birds in good condition. The poultryman should secure a sufficient supply of such feeds to last through the winter months in sections where growing green feeds can not be obtained. When chickens are fattened without the use of milk, green feed helps to keep them in good condition.

Cabbages, mangel wurzels, clover, alfalfa, and sprouted oats are the green feeds commonly used during the winter. Cabbages do not keep as well in ordinary cellars as mangel wurzels, so where both of these feeds are available the cabbages are fed first. They are often suspended, while the mangel wurzels are split and stuck on a nail on the wall of the pen. Clover and alfalfa may be fed as hay, cut into one-half to 1 inch lengths, or may be bought in the form of meal. Rlfalfa meal has a feeding analysis equal to bran, but is not as digestible on account of its larger percentage of fiber. Clover and alfalfa should be cut while slightly immature, if they are to be cured and fed to poultry. The leaves and chaff from such hay are especially adapted for poultry feeding.

Sprouted oats make a very good green feed and are used quite extensively in this country. The oats can be soaked for 12 hours in warm water and then spread out in a layer of from one-half to 1½ inches deep on a floor, or in a tray or tier of flats, which have openings or holes or a three-sixteenths inch mesh wire bottom, so that the water drains freely. They may be stirred daily and sprinkled, or allowed to sprout without stirring, until ready for feeding. They are usually fed when the sprouts are from 1 to 1½ inches long, although some poultrymen prefer to allow the sprouts to grow to 2 to 3 inches long. Oats need a moist and warm atmosphere in which to sprout quickly, so that it is necessary to furnish heat or keep them in a warm room during the winter, while they may be sprouted out of doors during the rest of the year. It takes from 6 to 10 days to sprout oats, depending on the temperature of the room. Oats frequently become moldy while sprouting. To prevent this, they may be treated with formalin, using 1 pint of formalin to 30 gallons of water, which is sprinkled over and thoroughly mived with 30 bushels of oats. Cover the oats with a blanket for 24 hours; then stir until they are dry. Keep them in a sack which has also been soaked in formalin. Oats thus treated and dried may be held for a long time for sprouting.

Where the double-yard system of confinind poultry is used, one of the yards is kept in green feed into which the hens are turned when the crop attains a height or 4 or 5 inches. This method of alternately yarding poultry furnishes green feed for the birds and at the same time freshens the yard. Rape, wheat, rye, oats, and barley are usually sown for this purpose. Rye is good for late fall and early spring feeding, as it will live through the winter in most sections. Oats, wheat, and barley are used throughout the spring, summer and early fall. Several of these grains may be sown together to secure a greater variety of green feed, and any quick-growing grains may be used for this purpose.



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ONE COW WOULD SUPPLY 47 PERSONS.

If you were keeping forty-seven persons in a boarding house and had only one cow to supply milk and butter, what would you do?

If the cow were Carlotta Pontiac, a 12-year-old Holstein bred and owned by the dairy husbandry department of the College of Agriculture of the University of Missouri at Columbia and you gave each boarder an amount equal to the per capita consumption of milk and butter in the United States you would not need to do anything but sell 9,643 pounds of milk every year. That is the amount she produced each of the last three years above the per capita allowance for forty-seven persons. The per capita consumption is figured, on the calculation of the P. S. Department of Agriculture, as 17.6 pounds of butter a year and one-third of a quart of milk a day.

In three years Carlotta Pontias has produced 64,957 pounds of milk and 2,480 pounds of butter. The average Missouri cow would have furnished in that time 10,500 pounds of milk and 420 of butter, about one-sixth as much as Carlotta.

At the average price in Columbia of 7½ cents a quart for milk, Carlotta's product in the three years would be worth $2,319.90. At 30 cents a pound for the butter and 25 cents a hundred pounds for skim milk, it would be worth $882.05. The later return would involve little cost of handling.

Carlotta Pontiac's three year old record perhaps has not been equaled by any other cow in Missouri. She is still producing milk, having given birth to a heifer calf three weeks ago. However, she is not an test now. The production of Carlotta Pontiac is made possible by her breeding. A record made by her three years ago was broken a year later by her ungrateful sister.

Like other cows in the dairy herd at the University, Carlotta eats grain, corn silage, and alfalfa hay. Of the silage and hay she has all she will eat. With the grain she gets cottonseed meal and bran.

Carlotta's home is a large box stall of iron bars with straw for a bed. The only favor that she has which is not shared by other cows in the herd is that her door is fastened with an extra button on the outside. For a time she enjoyed the privilege of lifting the latch of her door and walking out without the permission of her keeper. When the keeper leaves her now, Carlotta knows that he will turn the button and stands resigned to her imprisonment. But let a stranger leave the stall, Carlotta suspects his ignorance of her methods and tries to lift the latch. Often she is successful.—Missouri Stockman.

CO-OPERATION IN MARKETING AND PURCHASING.

The advantages of co-operation in marketing of farm products are emphasized in the annual report of the office of markets and rural organizations of the department of agriculture, which has just been published. "The conclusion seems warranted," says the report, "that in communities where co-operation is practically applied to the farmer's business, the results obtained are far more satisfactory than those secured by the individual methods." It is estimated that farmers' co-operative marketing and purchasing organizations will transact this year a total business amounting to more than one billion, four hundred million dollars. Agricultural co-operation in the United States is, therefore, far more prevalent than is generally believed, but it is not yet upon a sufficiently strong business basis. For this reason the office of markets has studied the various methods employed by these associations and has worked to devise means by which these methods can be perfected. The studies also have included the prevailing methods of marketing perishable products — cotton, grain, cottonseed, livestock and animal products.

FARM THAT WAS MADE TO PAY.

A significant instance of what proper methods of farm management can accomplish is afforded by a certain 500 acre farm in central Michigan. For ten years this farm failed to pay interest on the capital invested. One year after the owners had been induced to make certain radical changes the farm paid all the expenses of operation and returned them 5 per cent on an investment of $60,000. The changes which accomplished this financial revolution were as follows:

Four horse power was substituted for two-horse.

The unprofitable cows in the dairy herd were weeded out and sold and the money received for them invested in better stock.

A silo was built.

The foreman was allowed, in addition to his salary, 10 per cent of the net income from the farm. The expenses of operating the farm, but not the interest on the capital, were deducted from the income before the foreman received his percentage.

It was this last suggestion which met with the most opposition from the owners o fthe farm, but when it was pointed out to them that for every dollar the foreman received under such an arrangement they would get $9 they yielded.—Field and Farm.

WINTERING IDLE HORSES.

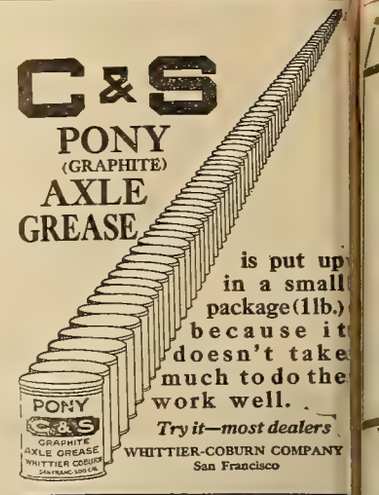
At this time of the year practically all the heavy work on most farms has been finished, and with the approach of winter horses are more or less idle. Since idle horses give no return in labor performed, the feeding should be as economical as possible, and proper care should be taken of the animals in order that they may be in the best possible condition for work in the early spring.

Horses should not be confined to the barn during the winter on a liberal supply of grain. It is far better to "rough" them through the cold months. They should be given the run of the yard or lot during the day. This should be provided with a protected shed, one that is thoroughly dry and well provided with bedding. While nature does her part and protects the horse with a heavy coat of hair during the cold months, the shed is necessary in order to afford the necessary shelter and protection against rains, snow, and cold winds. Winter winds come mostly from the north and northwest, and the shed should be so situated and constructed as to give the proper protection from this quarter.

In the feeding of idle horses the high-priced feeds should be avoided in order to keep them in proper condition at the lowest cost. It has been found that idle horses do very well on a winter feed consisting of all the hay, oat straw, cornstalks, or sorghums they will consume, so that little grain is necessary. Idleness also permits of a more through mastication of the feed, thus insuring proper digestion.

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Washington, Jan. 2.—A gloomy view of prospects for fertilizing next year's crops was presented in a statement issued today by Secretary Houston of the department of agriculture. The secretary urged farmers to conserve all fertilizing materials and to use lime and ecostate crops, so as to increase the productivity of the soil.

Relief measures undertaken by the department since the European war disrupted the American phosphate industry and cut off potash imports from Germany, will help, the statement says, but they offer slim possibilities that the American farmer will get a small part of the fertilizing materials necessary for his needs. Nitrogenous fertilizers alone will be available in the quantities needed.

The secretary took up first the potash supply, long since exhausted in the United States by the German embargo on shipments. Investigation, said his statement, has shown four sources of supply in this country, but none immediately available. These are the kelp beds of the Pacific coast, alunite deposits in Utah, feldspathic rocks in the East, and the mud of Searles lake, California.

Manufacture from feldspar has been found feasible, but the cost is high. Development of Searles lake deposits presents technical difficulties and title to the property is involved. Manufacturers are experimenting, the statement said, with alunite. Kelp was offered as the best material. Three large companies have begun manufacture from kelp and government experts will be sent to the Pacific coast to aid the experimental work.

Production will be slow for a long time, it was pointed out, and demand for potash in other manufactures in the United States will be so great that none will be available for agricultural purposes for a long time.

The prices offered under existing conditions by the manufacturers of articles will cause practically the entire output of these concerns to be diverted from the fertilizer industry. It would require 90 or more plants costing approximately $50,000 each, and having an operating capital of $25,000 each, to produce the quantity needed for agriculture. This would involve the assumption that commercial phases of the problem were satisfactorily solved.

The crippled state of the phosphate industry was attributed to the high price of sulphuric acid, much of which is being used in the manufacture of war munitions. The price has jumped from $5 to $25 a ton. Demand for the acid is so heavy that abandoned plants are being refitted for its manufacture. The bureau of soils, meanwhile, is experimenting with the manufacture of phosphoric acid as a substitute for sulphuric acid.

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TED HAYES DIES IN BUTTE.

Friday morning of last week news reached Los Angeles by wire that Ted Hayes had just passed away as the result of a sudden attack of heart trouble, the sad news being confirmed later through the columns of all the Butte dailies. Only a few short weeks ago Ted was in our midst, apparently in the very best of health and spirits, and the news of his passing comes with all the more shock on that account.

Christened "Charles Fonda" by his parents, he became known at a very early age under the nickname of "Ted," and Ted he will always remain in the hearts of the thousands of horsemen and sportsmen in general who held him in high esteem. Indeed, in trotting horse circles, he was never known by any other name, most people having the idea that the Ted was a corruption of Edward or Theodore.

Born some fifty years ago in the neighborhood of Saratoga, N. Y., according to the Butte reports of his death, he came west when a young man and became identified with the famous Bitterroot Ranch of the late Marcus Daly, Bitterroot at that time being one of the world's greatest producers of both the thoroughbred and the trotter. It was Hayes who secured for the copper magnate the imported colt Ogden by Kilwarlin—imp. Oriole, who won several good races in the Daly colors, including the Futurity and the Great Eastern at Sheepshead Bay as a two-year-old. It was as trainer and driver of trotters, however, that Ted achieved his greatest success, racing from the Western tracks to the Grand Circuit with the horses of Bitterroot Ranch, and later with those belonging to William and Charley Morris, the widely known mining men of the little but rich camp of Pony, Montana. After the Morrises discontinued their racing operations on a large scale he became identified with the stable of W. A. Clark, Jr., and for a number of years made his headquarters at Los Angeles. Most widely known and successful of the several horses he handled for Mr. Clark were those good race trotters Bon Voyage 2:08 and Bon Courage 2:08½, the latter a trotter of exceptional merit. As a two-year-old his record of 2:12¾ at Los Angeles stamped him as one of the best geldings of the age and gait in the entire country, while both as a two- and three-year-old he was a futurity contender of rare quality. Last year he was entered in a number of races here at the exposition, and when Ted went to Los Angeles to put the finishing touches to his preparation he drove him to his new record of 2:08½, which was the fastest mile trotted by a four-year-old gelding during the entire season of American harness racing.

With the decline of the sport on the Pacific coast and the withdrawal of Mr. Clark from active engagement in the same to any great extent, Mr. Hayes went back to Montana and engaged in business in Butte, where he had a very wide acquaintance. He purchased an interest in the Tuxedo cigar store on West Broadway and with Mrs. Hayes assumed the management of the Lyric theater on East Park street. Both ventures were flourishing, and a new and most modern motion picture house, now in process of construction, was to come under the Hayes management upon completion.

One of the sad features of his demise was that his wife was out of the city at the time, not arriving until the evening after he had passed away. Friends and acquaintances throughout the country, and especially here in the west where Mr. Hayes was best known and best loved, will join us in extending to Mrs. Hayes the most profound sympathy and respect.

THE STALLION'S OWNER'S INTEREST IN THE P. C. T. H. B. A. STAKES.

While practically every horseman in the west is more or less familiar with the opportunities for profit presented to them through the medium of the local futurities, we wish at this moment to lay especial stress upon the attractions offered to stallion owners by the sixteenth number of the series promoted by the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders' Association, entries to which close with Secretary Kelley, Drawer 447 this city, on Tuesday, February first, as their interests have always been protected in these stakes and are, as usual, looked after in the present event.

In fact. the very first division of the money is made payable to stallion owners, fifty dollars of the three thousand that compose the entire stake to be paid to them on February twentieth, only a little more than a month from today. This sum will be divided into two awards, one of thirty-five dollars to be paid to the owner of the stallion who has the largest representation of mares bred to him in 1915 and nominated in the stake, while the remaining fifteen dollars will go to the owner of the horse having the second largest list in the original entries. An additional one hundred dollars is also provided for the benefit of the stallion men, to be paid in equal sums of fifty dollars each to the owners of the sires of the winners of the three-year-old divisions of the stake at the time the dam of the winner was bred. These awards are well worth working for, and the larger the number of mares bred to your stallion and nominated in this stake, the greater will be the opportunity for a winner to be developed from among their foals.

To assist stallion owners in securing nominations of mares bred to their stallions Secretary Kelley sent out a call some days ago asking them to send in to him a list of broodmare owners who patronized their horses in 1915, and quite a number have made prompt response to the request. To each man on the various lists Mr. Kelley is making a personal appeal for nominations, and through the combined efforts of the stallion owner and the Association, every worthy mare now with foal should be provided with a nomination in Stake Number Sixteen, thus guaranteeing to her foal the very best opportunity for development for speed and an early earning capacity. Every foal that has a futurity engagement is an advertisement for both the sire and dam, and no good youngster should have to remain in the barn or pasture and see an inferior rival win a good stake merely because its owner failed to provide it with an engagement in the same. The saddest thing that can be written of a really good two- or three-year-old trotter or pacer is this: "He had no futurity engagements and hence was not fully developed, as he had no earning capacity at that age."

Do not let this be said of youngsters that are by your good stallion. Make an effort to have every mare bred to him represented in this stake, and if you have not already sent the list of your patrons to the secretary, do so at once, that his efforts may be joined to yours. You will find it well worth the slight trouble to which you will be put.

THAT WHITE SOX—HAL BOY MATCH.

Some weeks ago Mr. Clarence J. Berry in a conversation with "the boys" who congregate almost daily about a certain billiard table at Chick Wright's academy in this city, let drop a few remarks concerning the relative merits of White Sox and Hal Boy, the pair of fast sidewheelers who were the winners of the two big stakes given during the exposition race meetings last season, and who are without doubt two of the classiest racing pacers that the country has produced in recent years, both representatives of the Pacific coast. After considerable talk had been indulged in by those present, part of it serious and a good deal of it of the "airy persiflage" brand, Mr. Berry executed a neat little bunch shot, anchored the ivories in the corner of the table long enough to click off a run of sufficient length to put the bill up to his opponent for settling, and then proceeded to express himself to this effect: That he would like to see the pair come together over a real good track on a real good day, with no outside parties to help or hinder either one, as a true test of their respective merits, their former meetings having been of the catch as catch can order in large fields where racing luck necessarily played a considerable figure in the deciding of the ultimate result; that as a part of the program of any meeting of the Grand Circuit the match ought to prove most attractive from the standpoint of the general public, and that as a purely sporting proposition it ought to be worth about five thousand a side to the owners of the horses, and that he, as the owner of the mare, would not be averse to wagering this modest sum that he had the better horse of the two.

One or two newspaper men chanced to be among those present and they at once proceeded to give Mr. Berry's ideas a little airing in the public prints, an airing that has resulted in the Hal Boy people sitting up and taking notice of the same, as they are of the dyed-in-the-wool variety of sportsmen who are not at all averse to having a bit of pleasure of this kind out of life as they go along. While no "defi" has been issued from either party, and Mr. Berry's original remarks on the matter were not intended as such, the Indianapolis folks are evidently talking the matter over and find that it appeals to them. Early this week the editor of this paper received a personal letter from an Indianapolis horseman, now retired, a friend of both Mr. Fletcher and his racing manager, Greeley Winings, which said in part: "By the way, if your folks out there really mean it, the match race you spoke of a week or so ago will surely materialize, as the Hal Boy fellows are ready to put up the kale—and that would be one race in 1916 that I would certainly try to see. If a series of about three such meetings could be arranged it would be a grand thing for the interest in harness racing, so push them along, at least for one match."

Since the foregoing paragraphs were written the current issue of the Western Horseman has come to hand and under the heading "Fletcher Accepts Challenge" has the following to say concerning the matter:

"Stoughton Fletcher, who owns the famous pacing gelding, Hal Boy 2:01½, has signified his willingness to match his horse against White Sox 2:05¼, owned by Clarence J. Berry, of San Francisco. His statement is made in response to a challenge recently issued through the Breeder and Sportsman by the coast horseman for a match race for $5,000 a side.

"Mr. Fletcher says he is perfectly willing to match his pacer against the California mare for one or three faces, $5,000 a side, winner to take all, the race or races to be contested at Grand Circuit meetings where the most money will be offered for the appearance of the pair, and the race to be best three in five. A forfeit of $1,000 placed in charge of The Western Horseman Company, of Indianapolis, is all that is necessary, the remainder of the amount to be put up later."

While we take a slight bill of exceptions to the wording of the final sentence of the first paragraph of the comment of our esteemed contemporary, our original mention of the proposed race not being made in the nature of a definite challenge on the part of Mr. Berry, from the way matters stand at present we are inclined to the idea that the voicing of Mr. Fletcher's views by the Indiana journal means that the race will come off, as Mr. Berry is not much given to talking just for the pleasure of hearing his own voice and his original proposal for such a meeting was made in good faith to those present at the time, and with the endorsement of his trainer, Mr. William G. Durfee.

Owing to the fact that at this moment Mr. Berry is out of the city, having returned a few days ago from Los Angeles only to leave the city almost immediately on another mission, we are unable to publish definite acceptance of the match, but expect to be able to do so in our next issue, as he will in all probability be back again a very short time.

It will be "some race."

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A Visit with the Los Angeles Horsemen

Having safely survived two big New Year's celebration dinners at Hemet, and having escaped intact from the snow banks that hemmed in that pretty little hamlet on all sides, I dropped off at Los Angeles early last week and spent two or three days there, giving the once over to the various stables of trotters and pacers that are being prepared for the campaigns of the coming season, some being bound for the northern routes over the Canadian prairies, some for the Great Western Circuit, some for the smaller meetings of the central west, and some for a trip down the big line, while still others will remain at home to take in the fairs and race meetings that will be provided for them in California and the adjoining states of Oregon and Arizona. A recent visit from our old friend Jupiter Pluvius had curtailed training activities to mere jogging on the inside track, but breeding and individuality were present in large quantities, and the Los Angeles delegation can be depended upon to have plenty of speed on tap when the time comes for their horses to face the starter.

This prophecy is based on the same grounds as the one immortalized some years ago in the New England village of Barnstable when Squire Si Hoskins suffered that attack of pneumonia that for a time threatened so seriously to prove fatal. As the situation increased in gravity certain friends of the Squire's, in the depths of their anxiety, hunted up Uncle Ezra Endicott, the village seer and prophet, and made inquiry of him as to the probability that the Squire's illness might prove fatal. Uncle Ezra, after devoting to the question the deliberation due such a weighty matter, gave it as the result of his cogitations and the consumption of half a plug of "Star" that, in his opinion, their beloved fellow townsman would undoubtedly live until spring. Pressed for the grounds upon which he based such a strange belief, he finally gave voice to the following classic: "Waal, he al'us hez, hain't he?"

The Los Angeles bunch always have had the speed, haven't they?

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Jim Stewart, who usually penetrates to the "farthest north" at which harness racing is conducted, is occupying his customary winter quarters with the horses belonging to the Stewart family, master and madame, and to his principal patron, J. W. McClain of Monarch, Alberta. Homer Mac 2:06¾, whose numerous campaigns over the two-lap tracks of the western portion of the Dominion have gained for him the title of "Monarch of the Canadian Prairies," has spent the last several months in comparative idleness, his last engagements having been at the spring meeting at the exposition here in San Francisco, where he chiseled a piece of money from the purse every time he started. He is big and husky and as he came through in pretty good shape he will be fixed up for another whirl at the halfmile free-for-alls and the faster classes. This time last winter he was pacing right around the world's record time on the ice in eastern Canada, and no doubt he has appreciated the rest that he has had this season. Homer has a son in the McClain string that has the appearance of being a chip off the old block, the now four-year-old bay colt Garland Mac, out of Titus Maid by Titus, the youngster having worked at the pace at a three-year-old in 2:10, with halves in 1:01 and quarters in :29½. He is a good looking fellow and Stewart is confident that in him he has the making of a real pacer.

The bright particular star of the McClain portion of the stable, however, is the bay horse Patrick de Oro (3) 2:22¼, the first of the line of youngsters that has sprung from the matings of Copa de Oro and the bay mare Easter D. (2) 2:13½. Jim had this lad up in Canada in 1914 and won all his starts in the three-year-old events for pacers, taking a win race record as above given. At Edmonton it was the intention to start him for the Canadian record, which is somewhere along in the neighborhood of 2:14, or at least was at that time, but rain headed off the attempt. Unofficially, over the Edmonton track, he worked a long mile in 2:08¾, witnessed by a large number of horsemen who pronounced it the he worked a long mile in 2:08¼, witnessed by a by a colt of the age. Pat had some engagements at the exposition along with other members of the stable, but on the ship from Ottawa at the conclusion of the ice racing season he became a very sick horse and came very near hitting the long trail. Only the best of care and treatment brought him through, and when he did get to a point where he took much interest in his oats it was too late to get him ready for his races. Now, however, to look at him no one would ever know of the hard deal he had and he looks husky and hearty as can be. He is a much more rugged horse than Rayo de Oro, and Jim has no hesitation in stating that he will do to take into any kind of company whenever he is ready to race.

This tells the tale so far as the McClain horses are concerned, but while I am on the subject of the Copa de Oro—Easter D. dynasty I wish to arise to state that Easter D. is an exceptionally fine type of a ten-year-old matron. I had never seen her prior to this visit and she was not at the track at the time of my arrival, but Jim very kindly sent over to the Maben place and had her brought over for me to take a look at, the "look" being well worth waiting for. She is a good sized mare, bay, nicely turned and showing a great deal of breeding in her makeup. Her legs are clean and hard and she has plenty of heart and lung room as well as carrying capacity for a foal. She is a regular breeder and her line of Copa de Oro colts is unbroken by a single miss or death, while she is again in foal to the cover of the same son of Nutwood Wilkes. Stewart has sold three of her colts for good prices and has two left, a chestnut two-year-old that was given a yearling record of 2:22½ late in December and a mighty pleasing yearling filly, just being given her first lessons with the ground lines. Both of them are engaged in all the local stakes, of course, and are liable to prove troublesome to some folks when the futurities roll around.

Stewart has two other pacers in the stable that are his own property, one the bay gelding Humpa Hill by F. S. Turner out of a mare by California Dillon, that paced last year in 2:13 and was in the money in a few starts at Riverside and Santa Ana, and a three-year-old brown filly by Copa de Oro out of Elleen Dillon by California Dillon. This lass has no engagements and is hardly more than really well broken but can show standard speed for the long route, so she seems to be the making of a useful thing with a bit of age. Two nice trotters round out the string, the six-year-old gelding Guy Boy and a two-year-old black filly, not staked, by Carlokin 2:07½ and out of a Guy Dillon mare, grandam by McKinney and great grandam By By by Nutwood, which is a pretty sturdy line of breeding. She promises to live up to her pedigree, as while not a great deal has been done with her she went the route in 2:50 as a yearling. Guy Boy, who is the especial pride and property of Mrs. Stewart, is also by Guy Dillon and is out of Russie Russell, dam of Ruth Dillon 2:06½. He is good headed and attends strictly to business and has developed to a mile in 2:11¼, while also being in the money last fall at the two southern California fairs mentioned above.

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Fred Ward, who had one of the best seasons in his entire career in 1915, is taking things very easily at present and so are his horses, a bit of easy jogging and plenty of play time in good paddocks being about all that they are getting for the present. Last May, instead of coming to the spring meeting at the exposition as he had originally planned, Fred shipped out to the halfmile tracks in the western edge of the corn belt and raced back through the eastern states of the Rocky Mountain section, Colorado, Wyoming and New Mexico, his three good trotters running up their winnings to a figure very close to the nine thousand dollar mark. The star of the three is the brown gelding Great Northern 2:12¼ by Wayland W., out of Cecile M. 2:25½ by Robin, his share of the stable's winnings being a trifle in excess of $5,200, a remarkable record indeed when it is considered that he was racing all the time for very moderate sized purses. In all he started in twenty-three races, winning fifteen, being five times second, twice third and but once so far down in the summary as fourth. When I last saw this fellow in action, in 1914 at the Kings County Fair, I thought him one of the lightest going trotters that I had ever seen, and Fred tells me that he is even more of a "gum shoe" horse now, as he has lightened the weight on his front feet by several ounces. He is only a seven-year-old now, and from what I have seen of him and his way of going I expect Fred will still be racing him when he is well along toward twice this age.

Dr. Wayo 2:12¼, the Kansas bred trotter whom Fred has raced for the last five seasons, with winnings in that time amounting to over ten thousand dollars, came home in better shape than ever before, a fine example of a horse that has gotten sound while racing. He was never outside the money last season in fourteen starts, El Bel Maden being the only one of the three Fred started out with that failed to wind up the season with a clean score. She was three times unplaced out of a total of eighteen races, and at that came home with a brand new record of 2:17 and ran up almost as much money as did the redoubtable Doctor. In addition to racing his own horses Fred also did quite a bit of catch driving at various times throughout the season, being actively engaged in nearly eighty events, in only six of them finishing behind the money, and running up a total of winnings in excess of twelve thousand dollars.

In addition to the older campaigners, Ward also has a nice lot of young things to begin work on before long, including the four-year-old trotter Beirne by Beirne Holt, out of Emily W. 2:10 by James Madison, and a number of Dr. Wayo colts and fillies out of such mares as Emily W., Lady Madison and El Bel Maden. They all show natural trotting qualities and Fred will undoubtedly develop some race goers from them to take the places of the ones he now uses to bring home the winter oats when the days of usefulness of the latter have passed.

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H. W. Brown, who for a good many years was a resident of Salt Lake, removed the scene of his activities from that city to Los Angeles about three months ago, and one of first things he did on landing in the city of angels was to buy a half interest from C. C. Price in the five-year-old mare Miss Imbro by Imbro 2:10¼ and out of that old time race mare Miss Williams 2:09¼ by Williams 2:20½. Imbro has but few foals in California but this mare makes him appear a real son of Zombro as a sire, as last season she paced the local track in 2:12, with halves in 1:04¼ and eighths in fifteen seconds. Mr. Price also has at his home a couple more young things from Miss Williams, a bay mare called Miss Carlokin by Carlokin 2:07½ and a yearling colt by Copa de Oro 2:01. The Carlokin lass has quite a nice turn of speed and has a record of 2:20, taken at the pace during the closing days of December a year ago, she being one of the last performers of 1914 to "go in the book."

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Charles W. Winter, the enterprising Alhambra horseman and horseshoer who cut such a wide swath at the exposition horse show with that good show horse and trotter, Alhambra Prince (3) 2:27, cleaning up all the classes to which he was eligible, makes the daily trip in from his home to Exposition Park and is getting to be a "regular fellow" when it comes to training trotters. The Prince is a son of Redlac 2:07½ and out of the double producer Patti Mack (dam also of Alarich 2:09) by George W. McKinney 2:14½, grandam Alhambra Lily by Idler, and has had a letup from training for the past season or so. Last year he was bred to a few mares and will be allowed a few more this spring, though it is not Mr. Winter's intentions to let him do enough stud duty to interfere with his training. He has been brought along slowly and a few days ago was given an easy mile in the same notch as his record, and if he continues to come along and stands up well under the work he will probably join the Durfee stable later on in the season. Mr. Winter also has a three-year-old son of the Prince in training, out of Ezelda W. (sister to Bertha Frazier trial 2:08½) by Del Coronado 2:09½, well engaged in the local futurities. Originally he was a genuine pasture pacer but when put to work acted like he would trot and last season worked some very nice fractional parts of the route at that gait. Now, however, he has gone back to his old way of going and is taking all his exercise as a sidewheeler, and a rather promising one, at that.

Mr. Winter is also handling a couple of young things for Alex Grant, the Los Angeles contractor, both out of the producing mare Sona 2:16 (dam of Cima 2:22, a brand new one for the standard list) by McKinney, grandam Nelly K. (dam of four trotters including Era 2:10) by General Grant Jr. One is a three-year-old black filly, Juanita G. by Escobado 2:13¼, a trotter that worked quarters last season in her breaking in forty seconds, and the other is a

two-year-old colt known as Kinsman G., by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼, whose get attracted so much attention this last season through the excellence of their performances. This is a sturdy bay youngster, just well broken, with a nice way of going and a frame that promises much future development in the way of size and individuality. Mr. Grant still owns Sona, who is at present in foal to the cover of Copa de Oro, and also has at home a yearling full sister to the Wilbur Lou colt.

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A. Cuthbert, whose winter tarrying place is Pasadena but whose real home is the Canadian city of Toronto, whiles away a good many of the pleasant winter days acting in the combined capacities of owner, trainer and groomster extraordinary to the good pacing mare Dolly Zombro, who has been a familiar figure in the matinees and show rings in the Pasadena neighborhood for the past few seasons. As her name would imply to the initiated, Dolly is a daughter of the dead Zombro, whose descendants continue to give such good accounts of themselves in the hottest kind of company, while her dam is Connie by Connor. She has a non winning performance record of 2:16½ made over the two-lap track at Riverside at the last fair there, and has traveled miles in 2:09 with quarters in :29½, so that she has a well developed turn of speed. Mr. Cuthbert, who usually makes the European trip in the summer time as guide and mentor to touring parties, found California much more to his liking last season than his customary haunts in war-ridden Europe would have been, and has derived a good deal of pleasure and much healthful exercise out of the ownership of Dolly Zombro. In the spring when the International stable ships east he plans to send her along and race over the halfmile tracks of eastern Canada, where she ought to do very nicely.

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J. H. Torrey of Long Beach has three head at the Los Angeles track that have all made considerable speed, a stallion, a mare, and a son of the pair, very much of a family circle. The boss of the bunch is the brown horse Baronteer Todd 2:09¼ by Todd 2:14¾, dam the great brood mare Bon Bon (dam of five) by Baron Wilkes 2:18, grandam Mary A. Whitney 2:28 (dam of five) by Volunteer 55, etc.—a nice line of breeding of which Baronteer Todd is a very worthy representative. He has already proven himself a speed sire and has shown an even greater flight of speed than that indicated by the record which he annexed at the breeders' meeting at Los Angeles last October. The female representative of a good family in the Torrey stable is the bay mare Bessie T. 2:22 by Zombro 2:11, dam the double producer Manilla by Shadeland Hero. Bessie, now eleven years of age, is a most attractive type of the standard bred trotter and her record is hardly a fair measure of her true speed, as she has a number of authentic trials to her credit of from 2:10 to 2:12. The third member of the string as intimated above, is a son of the stallion and mare just mentioned, a five-year-old brown horse called Joe Todd, bred by Mr. Torrey here in California. Individually he is very pleasing and has a fair turn of speed, though he has apparently not yet made up his mind whether to be a wiggler or a line trotter. He has a good way of going at both gaits, and has trotted in 2:28 and paced in 2:25. When he flattens he is going to be a useful horse, from present indications.

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Charles Chick, whose chuck doesn't lay good on his stomach unless he has a trotter or so somewhere around the place to masticate a little mash, imbibe a bit of "h-two-c" and require a certain amount of exercise, has a pair of four-year-old geldings in hand at present that keep his circulation in good shape and give him something to think about. One is by Kentucky Todd, and while Charley didn't have the lad's pedigree about his clothes at the time of my stop at his stable I ran across it in the register after my return. His dam is Bow Wow by Libertine 2:21, grandam Cactus Bloom by Belsire 2:18, great grandam Petrea by Belmont 64, fourth dam Petrel by Onward 2:25¼, fifth dam Cygnet by Harold 413, sixth Juliet by Pilot Jr. 12, etc., this certainly being far enough back to go to make good Chick's claim that his dam was sure a well bred mare. Ebe has not fully decided what gait suits him best and Charley has spent some hard work on him, the present indications being that he will eventually wake up and find himself a very fair kind of a pacer. The other one of the same age and color that keeps him company in the stable has no doubts to assail his mind, as he has his notions all set to become a trotter. He is a nice son of Bon McKinney (3) 2:24¼ and out of the dam of Belle Frazier, that trialed in 2:08½, so he has a strong speed inheritance from both sides of the house. He was brought along as a three-year-old to the point where he could show a thirty clip, and is a clean going, level headed young trotter. Bon Actor is the name that he gets his meal tickets under, and you can watch for the same name to appear in the summaries some of these days, well up toward the top.

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P. J. Brown, whose connection with the trotter dates away back to the time when he had Magna Charta 2:33½ and who later on in life brought out that good trotting mare of the late seventies and early eighties, Trinket 2:14, is not merely the patriarch of the Los Angeles colony but is one of the oldest men in the country actively connected with the harness horse. Mr. Brown is getting well along towards the sunset of life and physical misfortunes have left him weakened in health and bodily strength, but the old spirit is still there and his love for the trotter is as keen and true as it was away back in the days before most of us were born. Very much activity is for him an utter impossibility nowadays, but he has a nice two-year-old filly that he takes care of personally, and on good days does his own driving. She is a nice tempered thing and behaves herself like a little lady for her elderly mentor, who says she is as nice gaited a trotter as he ever sat behind. She is a nicely bred one, too, and Mr. Brown may stay with us long enough to see her at the races some day, as she is by Dr. Wayo 2:12¼, a good game race horse who is beginning to loom as a coming sire of speed, and her dam is Zombretta 2:15¼ (dam of Good Policy (2) 2:29¼) by Zombro 2:11, grandam Fortune by Dextator 25381.

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Wm. Nesmith, who with his family came to California from Missouri a few years ago and brought along a number of horses of the Clay Edwin line, now has fourteen head of trotters and pacers in all, a number of them at Exposition Park and the balance at their home. King Lilly Pointer, who is at the head of their band, was not at the track but from what I heard of him as an individual and from the turn of speed that he has shown I would consider him about the best son of Star Pointer in the west. Charley DeRyder bred him at Pleasanton and his dam is the Direct mare Lilly S. that trialed for Charley in the neighborhood of 2:16, grandam Lily Stanley 2:17½ (dam of three performers and three sires) by Whippleton, etc. This fellow has a breeder's record of 2:14, but has worked the Los Angeles track in 2:08½, with halves in 1:01¼, quarters in :29½ and eighths in :14. So far this horse had been bred to practically no outside mares, but the Nesmiths have raised several foals by him from their Clay matrons and now have six of the mares of this family due to foal to him within the next several weeks. I noticed a couple of very pleasing fillies from this cross now in the stable at the park, both pacers, one a three-year-old brown lassie that developed speed very close to the pacing standard limit as a two-year-old, while the other is a black girl, a year younger, that paced eighths in eighteen seconds when just past the thirteen months old stage. That this son of Star Pointer will also breed trotters is shown by a couple of two-year-old horse colts by him from Clay mares, both of whom are trotters with no inclinations, so far, toward pacing. They are nice sized, smoothly built and good colored.

Among the other aged horses to which Mr. Nesmith and his son are devoting their attention are a couple of husky geldings that look like they might do to take to the races later on, one of them a son of Imbro 2:10¼ out of Bedelia Clay by Clay Edwin, and the other by Clay Edwin out of a mare by Ayers' Hambletonian, this one a double gaited boy. The Imbro lad is a trotter and worked the Los Angeles track at that gait as a three-year-old in 2:30, with halves in 1:10, while Happy Clay has both trotted and paced, on the same day, in a flat 2:15. Last winter he was used as a saddle horse, merely as an evidence of his versatility, but he is taking his work now at the trot, and it is the intention to continue his development at that gait. Mr. Nesmith has another gelding at home that will be brought to the track in the near future and put in active training, an inbred Clay that has been halves in 1:05 and is a promising prospect.

Prior to Mr. Nesmith's experience with the members of the family of Clay Edwin he had never attempted to develop speed among harness horses, and the results obtained from the band he brought to California prove two things, that the Clay Edwins were endowed by nature with a pronounced trotting and pacing instinct and also that Mr. Nesmith is a pretty shifty amateur trainer. Every one of the Clays that he has handled has shown standard speed at one gait or the other, one of the very best ones being the mare Julia Clay, a trotter, now ten years of age and soon due to foal to the embrace of King Lilly Pointer. Three years ago she beat 2:10 for her trainer and every season since then has equaled or beaten the figures that define the limit of the "charmed circle," trotting in 2:08½ some time after being bred. Owing to the condition of his health, Mr. Nesmith has never been able to take advantage of the speed possessed by his horses by going to the races with them, but he has built himself up to a point now at which he thinks he will be able to stand a campaign, and plans to make a number of starts over the California tracks during the coming season.

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One single story is hardly sufficient in which to do justice to all of the horses and trainers at Exposition Park, and as I have about as much more data in storage as was used to this point, I think it a good time to stop for the present, leaving another story of the Angelenos to follow in our issue of January 22. The horses in the stables of J. W. Cooper, Lou Baker, Charley Parker, N. G. Boyd, Henry Peterson, Railey Macey and Will Durfee remain unmentioned for the present, but next week will be given the attention that is due them. Until then let it be a case of "so long, Letty" for the above mentioned members of the Los Angeles colony, and don't forget the prophecy made in the first of this story—that the Southern California bunch will be there with the bells on when the time comes to race.—[N.]

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Charley Atkinson, whose friends in California are legion and who made his last memorable campaign in select company in 1913 with the Del Coronado pacing filly Little Bernice, who forced William to pace to his three-year-old record of 2:05 at Peoria and later in the same season achieved a winrace record of 2:09¼ over the same course, will handle the stable of the well known Michigan horseman, T. W. Ready of Niles, during the coming season. Charley is already on the job and has some very nice things to work on, so the new combination should figure pretty extensively in the season's activities in the central west. His friends here join us in wishing both gentlemen the very best of success. In the meantime, Atkinson Junior remains in the old familiar place with the stable of W. G. Durfee of Los Angeles, where he is making good in a very satisfactory manner.

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"THE LAST LEAF ON THE TREE."

Just about the time each year that Mr. Knight and his corps of able statisticians get the Year Book forms about ready to close, along comes the delegation from Los Angeles with a record meeting that tears a hole in the last page of the form, their valedictory address having been delivered this time on Tuesday, December 28 at Exposition Park. Mention of the same should have been made in these columns last week, save for the fact that the editor was out joy riding in Southern California his own self and did not get back to work until the paper had duly made its appearance. However, "mieux tarde que jamais," which, translated into the Milwaukee dialect of the language that the whole world will have to learn if the plans of Kaiser Bill do not miscarry, means practically the same as "besser spaet als nimmer," or words to that effect. Anyway, let it go at that.

The meeting, which was purely of the breeders' variety, was staged under the rules of the N. T. A., of which the Los Angeles Harness Horse Association is a member, was the means of adding four brand new performers to the standard list, while one three-year-old trotter made a material cut in the figures that followed his name as a two-year-old. James Stewart, Park Kelley, Harry Messmore and Will Durfee all performed as drivers for the occasion, while Secretary E. J. Delorey officiated as starter, with Dave Stewart, Thomas Goldsmith and W. R. Thomas looking to the enforcement of the rules, and Charley Nickerson, L. E. McLellan and Railey Macey catching the time. The story of the day is told in full by the following summary:

Los Angeles, Tuesday, December 28, 1915.

To beat 2:25¼ pacing:

Robert Bruce, ch c (1) by Copa de Oro 2:01—Easter D. (2) 2:13½ by Diablo 2:09¼..(Stewart) 2:22½

To beat 2:30¼ trotting:

Cima, b m (8) by Limonero 2:15¾—Sona 2:16 by McKinney 2:11¼ .....(Kelley) 2:22

To beat 2:30¼ trotting:

Manuelito, ch c (2) by Manrico (3) 2:07¼—My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½.....(Durfee) 2:24½

To beat 2:30¼ trotting:

Stabe, b m (a) by Limonero 2:15¾—Thelma by Zolock 2:05¼ .....(Messmore) 2:25

To beat 2:19 trotting:

Carl, bl g (3) by Carlokin 2:07½—My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½.....(Durfee) 2:14¼

Thad Stevens' Most Famous Race, 1873

Since the revival of thoroughbred racing here in California last summer by the gentlemen composing the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association and the more recent inauguration of the same brand of contests at the plant of the Lower California Jockey Club at Tia Juana, we have had a number of inquiries at this office for information concerning the famous four mile heat races contested in the seventies at local tracks in both of which Thad Stevens was the winner. Interest has centered especially in the race at the old Ocean House track in this city during the course of which True Blue suffered an accident that retired him from the contest, after he had won the second heat, and we have had so many inquiries that we reproduce herewith the story of the race. Thad Stevens, the winner, was a son of Langford, the first thoroughbred foaled on California soil, and Mary Chilton by imp. Glencoe, being foaled here in California in 1865; Joe Daniels, foaled in 1869, was by imp. Australian out of Dolly Carter by imp. Glencoe; True Blue, foaled in 1869, was a son of Lexington and Balloon by imp. Yorkshire, while Mamie Hall, foaled in California in 1866, was by Norfolk and out of Miama by Williamson's Belmont, the grandsire of Thad Stevens. The following story is from an account written at the time of the race, Nov. 15, 1973:

Never since the first introduction of horse-racing into this state have its residents been so excited over a race as they have been today over the great four-mile heat race. Nor can one wonder at the interest taken in it, for was not a California bred horse to contend against two of the very best horses from the East? One the son of the grandest four-mile horse that ever looked through a bridle (Lexington), and the other a son of imp. Australian, in whom was combined the best blood of the English turf. Added to the natural interest thereby engendered, the day was one of the most delightful of the season, and one peculiarly Californian. A mellow haze enveloped the surrounding hills, while a gentle breeze from off the Pacific toned the atmosphere to a refreshing temperature, added to which the music of the surf as it rolled in, nearly touching the western extremity of the track, made the scene one of almost inexpressible grandeur. By twelve o'clock the grand rush had fairly set in, and a dense column of horse, foot, and carriages streamed steadily over the hill and down the avenue leading to Ocean Park. Every available means of conveyance appeared to have been brought into service—from a four-in-hand drag to a rickety cart of the vegetable peddler. Thousands of persons came by the trains of the San Jose railroad and walked the intervening distance of a mile. Within the park the scene was fairly suggestive of the English Derby day. Hundreds of aristocratic establishments were crowded together, occupied by gay votaries of fashion, who discussed the probability of the approaching race with animation and the contents of their hampers with equal earnestness. The hackmen are charging $40 a load from the city, customers finding their own conveyance back. The great speculator offered the managers of the race $5,000 for the receipts of the gate, independent of the receipts of the stands and extras. The offer was refused. True Blue, Thad Stevens, Joe Daniels and Mamie Hall were moderately exercised this morning, and appeared to be in excellent condition. The friends and supporters of True Blue remarked from time to time that the horse was a little stiff about the knees and lacked the desired amount of lustre in his eyes—a statement that was invariably received with significant winks, nods, etc., by the keen adepts in matters pertaining to the turf. The true state of affairs was shrouded with a suspicious mystery that the race alone could explain to the uninitiated. The gossip of the stables failed to contain any point of interest other than the report that the owner of True Blue depended upon distancing Thad Stevens in the first heat, and failing in this he had serious doubts of winning the contest.

At 1 p. m. the grounds presented a dazzling scene of animation. The proportions of the ground had swollen with marvelous rapidity, and there was at least 10,000 people on the course. The main road leading thereto was hidden for a mile by a cloud of dust, and a continuous procession of buggies poured steadily down the hill to the east. The pool-selling was commenced at noon, and opened briskly at large figures in the two hours that intervened before the horses were called. A heavy sum was deposited in the banks for cashing pools, the sum of which was between $40,000 and $50,000. Thad Stevens was the favorite by greatly increased odds. A report industriously circulated that True Blue had exhibited symptoms of stiffness may have had some influence, but the confidence in the California favorite was still very strong. The ratio in pools between Thad Stevens and True Blue at that hour (1 p. m.) was nearly three to one. The following shows the average pools an hour before calling the horses:

Thad Stevens.....	$260	$275	$325	$300	$325
True Blue.....	165	152	165	165	155
Joe Daniels.....	105	100	90	80	75
Mamie Hall.....	10	9	8	5	5

A strong detachment of police under command of Captain Douglass maintained order in the vast assemblage, a portion of the men being mounted. In addition to the great crowd in the park, hundreds of gratuitous spectators took positions on the neighboring hills, where a view of the course could be obtained. At fifty-five minutes past 1 p. m. the alarm of fire was sounded by a series of yells proceeding from the grand stand adjoining the eastern end of the refreshment saloon near the course, and soon the smoke rolled up in dense volumes. A scene of intense excitement ensued, the crowd shouted lustily, the shrill whistles of the police increased the nervousness of susceptible persons, and for a few moments a terrible catastrophe was imminent. A few cool men, however, wrested the burning planks from the building and stamped on the fire, and the event soon passed from the mind as scarcely worthy of notice on an occasion so prolific of interest. The fire originated in the cook-house of the saloon. The damage was trifling. At half past 1 p. m. at a moderate estimate there was upwards of 12,000 people in the park and immediate vicinity, and the enormous seating accommodations were almost entirely occupied at an extra charge, while thousands occupied the vehicles in the field.

First Heat.—Promptly at the call Thad Stevens, Joe Daniels, True Blue and Mamie Hall went to the post. At the signal Mamie Hall jumped off with the lead and held on for the first mile, with Thad Stevens running second, True Blue third, and Joe Daniels fourth. In the second mile True Blue took the lead and held it to the fourth mile, when Joe Daniels, who had been trailing, made play for the lead, and after a fine brush with True Blue, took it, winning the heat by two lengths in 7:45, True Blue second, Thad Stevens third, and Mamie Hall last. The unexpected turn of the first heat produced an excitement that could only find vent at the pools, and consequently the sales sprang to a high figure. Pending the disposition of the second heat, the friends of Thad Stevens rallied promptly to his support and freely backed their opinion of his speed and endurance with coin, the impression prevailing that the rider of Thad held him in during the entire heat and simply strove not to be distanced. The horse was in fine condition when he left the track, and was applauded as vigorously as though the winner of the race. In one of the first pools sold Thad Stevens was taken as first choice for $2,100, Joe Daniels bringing $1,500, True Blue $800, Mamie Hall having been withdrawn, she being badly blown. The pools continued large, and heavy sums of money found their way into the box, they averaging from $1,500 to $3,000.

Second Heat.—The horses were called for the second heat at a quarter to four, and the preliminary rubbing down and saddling having been accomplished, at five minutes to four another excellent start was made, the three horses passing the score even. Before reaching the half-mile Thad had pulled out ahead three lengths, True Blue following, and at the end of the first mile Thad crossed the score three lengths ahead, True Blue second, and Daniels lagging five lengths. On the second mile the relative positions of the horses were about the same, Thad gaining a few yards, if anything. On the third mile all of the horses crossed the score in close company, Thad a neck ahead of True Blue, with Daniels lapping on the flank. On the fourth mile Thad and True Blue began a neck-and-neck struggle, with Joe Daniels close up. In the last half True Blue shoved ahead and opened up a gap of five lengths, which he held in crossing the score, Thad Stevens being seven lengths behind Joe Daniels. Time, 8:08.

Pool-selling was again resumed, and a number of heavy pools sold, in all of which True Blue was the choice, with the second choice alternating between Thad Stevens and Joe Daniels, True Blue selling at about four to three for the others.

Third Heat.—The horses were called for the third heat at about half-past 4, and got off in good style at twenty-five minutes to 5. Thad took the lead again and pulled out handsomely a couple of lengths before reaching the first quarter, with True Blue second. Thad held his own through the first mile and crossed the score two lengths ahead, True Blue and Daniels running neck-and-neck. The second mile was a close run between the three. They crossed the score in almost precisely the same order as in the first mile. The third mile was a repetition of the first and second. They crossed the score as follows: Thad Stevens leading, Joe Daniels lapping him, and True Blue a close third. At the first quarter of the fourth mile True Blue quit and fell behind, and was speedily lost in the distance. Thad Stevens pulled out at his best, and parting company with Daniels, crossed the score nearly ten lengths ahead in 7:57, with True Blue distanced. The excitement was tremendous at this result. Deafening cheers ascended, and the air was filled with flying hats, as the race was now between Thad Stevens and Joe Daniels, and consequently looked upon as a sure thing for the California horse. But amid the joy intelligence was received from up the track that True Blue had broken his leg and was a ruined horse. He was lying disabled on the track, about midway between the first quarter and the half-mile pole. The noble animal was removed from the track and the course cleared for the final heat, with Thad Stevens the favorite at 100 to 20 over Joe Daniels.

Fourth Heat.—It was almost dark when the horses got the word for the fourth and deciding heat. They made a capital start, Thad Stevens at once taking the lead, and as they disappeared in the gloom the old horse was leading by fully five lengths, an advantage he held all through the heat, Joe never once being able to overtake him, the result being that Thad won the heat and race in 7:46, which is remarkable time, considering the distance he had run.

The best of order prevailed and the city is jubilant over California's triumph. It is not unlikely that Thad Stevens will be sent East during the coming season to contend with the "cracks" of Kentucky and New York in their own strongholds. Mr. Chamberlain, the owner of True Blue, says he believes the horse permanently disabled as a racer by the accident. Various conjectures have been made as to the manner in which the accident occurred, but no one knows certainly. It is generally believed the horse must have got his foot into a hole made by a gopher. True Blue was at his stable next day, very stiff and lame.

The winner, Thad Stevens, who has so suddenly become historical as the best four-mile-heat horse in America, was bred in California in the year 1865, consequently he is now eight years old. He is by Langford, out of Mary Chilton, she by imported Glencoe, out of an American Eclipse mare; grandam Queen Mary by Bertrand. Consequently, he is, on his dam's side of the same family as Longfellow, Lyttleton, Extra, Fadladeen, Allie Hunt, Woodpecker, etc. He is described as a chestnut sorrel with one white hind foot, and stands about fifteen two or three high. As a runner he first appeared on the California turf in 1870, with but little success. In 1871 he won several races of one-mile and two-mile heats. In 1872 he began on New Year's day by being beaten in a race of mile heats three in five, by Pillbox, after winning the first heat in 1:54½, and making the fourth a dead heat in the same time, he running second in each of the others. On the 31st of January he turned the tables on Pillbox in a similar race, winning the third, fourth and fifth heats in 1:50¼, 1:51½ and 1:49¾. On the 8th of June, over the Oakland track (the others having been run over the Agricultural Park track), he was beaten by Irene Harding in three straight heats, in 1:48¾, 1:48 and 1:47¾; but on the 22d he defeated her, winning the first, third and fourth heats in 1:51½, 1:47¾ and 1:49, Irene winning the second heat in 1:45¾. On September 24, over the Union Park course, Sacramento, in a race of two-mile heats, he won the third and fourth heats in 3:41¼ and 3:45¼, beating Nettie Brown, Irene Harding, Alice May and Modesto, Nettie Brown winning the first heat in 3:40¼. At one time it was contemplated to enter him for the $20,000 purse race to have taken place at New Orleans, La., last spring; but the Louisiana Jockey Club withdrawing the purse, all idea of sending him east was given up. He has run several good races this year, but none better than his race of mile heats at Sacramento on the 5th of July, when he won the third, fourth and fifth heats in 1:43½, 1:46½ and 1:45, Thornhill winning the first two heats in 1:43 and 1:43, Nell Flaherty running second and third in all the heats. His last grand performance previous to the 15th was his race of four-mile heats on the 18th of October, when he beat Joe Daniels, Ballot Box, Irene Harding, Target and Kate Gift, Thad winning the second and third heats in 7:30 and 7:43, Joe Daniels winning the first heat in 7:42½, the time for the second being the best for a second heat on record.

A SMALL BOOK WITH A BIG PURPOSE.

During the editor's recent absence in Southern California there arrived on his deck a nicely printed little booklet entitled "Statement of Fact and Scientific Truth," from the pen of Louis Petersen, the well known farrier of Santa Ana, who has devoted to the welfare of the horse's foot the thought and study of a lifetime. When a man starts in to do anything we always like to see him lay out a good task for himself, and in going at the work of preparing his latest booklet, Mr. Petersen has certainly "matched himself" against three mighty adversaries, it being written, in his own language, "with the object to prevent lame horses, divorces and wars." Being, perforce of circumstances, a bachelor and, by natural inclinations, devoid of the martial inclinations that have added so much glory and renown to the name of our friend and fellow turf writer, Joseph I. Markey, we are not in a position to speak with authority concerning those portions devoted to the prevention of divorce and war, but there is much written concerning the lameness in horses that appeals to us as sound matter concerning a very practical, everyday sort of a subject in which very many people are vitally interested, be they single or married, warlike or peaceful. The booklet is put together in plain, forceful, understandable language, and the time spent in its reading will not prove devoid of either interest or enlightenment. It may be obtained from Mr. Petersen by mail at a very moderate cost and we recommend it to your consideration.

Remember, the Breeders' Futurity closes Feb. first.

NOTES and NEWS

Cima 2:22.
Stabe 2:25.
Manuelito (2) 2:24½.
Robert Bruce (1) 2:22½.
Are all newcomers to the standard list.
It happened at Los Angeles on December 28.

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While Carl reduced his record to 2:14¼ at the same time.

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And down at Hanford last Sunday at a matinee the boys raced halfmile heats as fast as 1:08.

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Not really so worse even for California at this season of the year.

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Having contributed the first two-ten trotter for the season of 1915 and also the last standard performers, our horsemen can now settle down for the work of getting ready for 1916, remembering that this little record of their achievements in 1915 must be lived up to or surpassed during the present year:

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World's champion yearling trotting filly—Anselila 2:17½.
World's champion yearling trotting gelding—Anselot 2:28½.
World's champion yearling trotting filly, halfmile track, Verbena Ansel 2:26.
World's champion three-year-old pacing gelding—Rayo de Oro 2:07¼.
Season's fastest four-year-old racing pacing gelding—John Malcolm 2:09½.
Season's fastest two-year-old pacing filly—Verna McKinney 2:13.
Season's fastest two-year-old pacing colt—Rico 2:12¼.
Season's fastest new trotting gelding—Spriggan 2:08¼.
Season's fastest four-year-old trotting gelding—Bon Courage 2:08½.
Season's fastest four-year-old racing trotting gelding—Future Tramp 2:09¼.
Season's four-year-old racing trotting filly—Miss Perfection 2:08¼.

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It is rather a generous order, folks, but what man has done, man can do again, so go up against the bit in earnest.

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Robert Bruce (1) 2:22½, who appears in the list at the head of the column, is a full brother to Rayo de Oro (3) 2:07¼.

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While Manuelito (2) 2:24½ is another one to add to Will Durfee's evidence in support of his idea that My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾, now twelve years of age and the dam of eight living foals, five of which are standard performers, is one of the most wonderful young matrons in the land.

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Robert Smith, father of "our Bob," who died December 30 at his home in Philadelphia at the age of eighty-two, was a lifelong friend of the trotter, explaining the source from which the love of the horse evidenced by Robert Junior had its inception. In the course of a long and useful life he had owned a number of horses of more or less note, including Genevieve 2:13¼, an excellent trotter of the nineties, and was for years a member of the Belmont Park and Point Breeze driving clubs.

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Walter Maben, one of the most successful colt trainers in the west, is taking things easy this winter at his home in Los Angeles, and for once in his life is "afoot," so far as having anything to train is concerned. Let things begin to pick up a little, however, and Walter will be found in the training cart as of old, as he is merely resting while waiting to see just what is going to develop in the future. One of his last and most successful tasks was the giving of first lessons in trotting to the filly Anselila, who gave such eloquent testimony to the excellence of her early training by trotting to the world's record for yearling fillies. Walter has all the appearance of a steed to whom the letup has been highly beneficial, and finds the leisure time very enjoyable after the former strenuous seasons that he has been through.

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Charley DeRyder is among the numerous members of the trotting horse fraternity who have been taking in the running meeting at Tia Juana, the big boss of the Pleasanton Driving Park even sporting an entry in a number of the races, though to this time the bird's name has failed to appear with the brackets. Up at Pleasanton she was known simply as "Ryan's filly," George usually being her pilot in her many miles traveled as a prompter to the various members of the MacKenzie stable, but down at Tia Juana she broke into print under the appellation of Right Smart. There is a rumor that she got a right smart play at one of her first starts, but it was a bum steer. Incidentally, Mr. and Mrs. DeRyder have been having the first real vacation that has come their way in many a long month, and are getting some genuine pleasure from it.

W. F. Whittier is spending several days in the Hemet Valley, looking after his varied interests there and incidentally taking advantage of the occasion to put in as much time as possible at Hemet Stock Farm, watching the Wilbur Lou youngsters take their kindergarten lessons.

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Articles of incorporation of the Palo Alto Stock Farms were filed with Secretary of State Jordan Wednesday. Herbert Fleishhacker, president of the Anglo-California Bank of San Francisco; Edgar Sinsheimer, C. F. Hunt and J. C. McKinstry, all of San Francisco, and Myron H. Tichenor of Palo Alto, are the promoters of the company, which has leased a large acreage of the famous old Palo Alto establishment of Governor Stanford to be used as a stock and dairy farm.

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Clarence J. Berry tore himself away from his accustomed haunts in this city last week long enough to make a short trip to Los Angeles, where his futurity prospects and Grand Circuit candidates are wintering in the care of Will Durfee. The editor of this paper left the city of all the angels on the same day that C. J. landed there, but was with him long enough to hear his most gracefully and positively decline a bona fide offer of ten thousand dollars for Virginia Barnette. Here is the situation in a nutshell: The genial Alaskan knows several places where he can make ten thousand dollars in a reasonable length of time but does not know just where or how he could get another Virginia. All things are very simple if you understand them. He came back home early in the week very well pleased with the way all the horses are wintering, and enthusiastic over the outlook for an enjoyable season in 1916.

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T. W. Stiles of New Haven, Conn., who has a winter home in Southern California, arrived there several days ago and has been among the frequent visitors to the horsemen's colony at Exposition Park. On the occasion of his last visit, Mr. Stiles, who is a partner in the racing stable handled by Ed Gillies under the name of the Clay-Cotton Stable, purchased from W. G. Durfee and Gen. C. C. Watts the trotting filly Josephine Watts (3) 2:09½ by Gen. Watts (3) 2:06¾, shipping her direct to his stable in Connecticut. Last season she was raced over the eastern halfmile tracks, and while hardly at herself early in the year rounded into nice shape later and made a very good showing. At the Chicago sale Mr. Stiles acquired the former Durfee trotter Sargo 2:07½ and will use him over the eastern two-lappers this year, while it is not improbable that he will make another purchase or so locally before going east in the spring.

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Samuel J. Fleming of Terre Haute, Indiana, for many, many years one of the most widely known and successful trotting horse breeders and campaigners in this country, died quite recently at his home, well along in years. Mr. Fleming and his son, Dr. Charles I. Fleming, conducted the family breeding operations in partnership, though the elder member did the greater part of the training and practically all of the campaigning. Their Indiana farm was long the home of the good trotter and speed sire, Margrave 2:15½ and his full brother Baron Review 2:21¼, both progenitors of extreme trotting speed, the latter horse still being owned at the Fleming establishment. "Sam" Fleming, as he was known to horsemen of all ages and conditions, was a familiar figure on both the major and minor tracks of the central west and east, and rarely went to the races that he did not have something worth while, one of the most memorable of his campaigns in the last several years being the one made with the black pacer John M., who won sixteen straight races in the season of 1903, never losing a start, and eventually raced to a record of 2:02¾. Many other famous horses have been bred, developed and raced to fast records by Mr. Fleming in the long time that he has been identified with the harness horse industry, and his place in the ranks of Indiana breeders will be a hard one to fill.

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A. B. Spooner of San Luis Obispo, who with his sons owns and operates some eight thousand acres of ranch land along the coast near that city, including the choicest portion of the old Pecho grant, was among the recent welcome visitors to this office. While harness hore breeding is practically at a standstill in his community, Mr. Spooner still raises a few and has at present a very promising two-year-old filly that is just being broken, a full sister to the pacer Bay Jeff that trialed at Los Angeles a few seasons ago in 2:01½, her sire and dam, Morris A. and San Luis Belle, as well as a couple of aged sisters never trained for speed, also being owned at the same establishment. Morris A., who is the sire of the fast pacer Choro Prince 2:08¾, gets very few trotting mares at his court, but is siring some most useful general purpose animals from the ordinary run of mares, the Spooners finding them especially useful for riding purposes over their ranges. Quite a dairy herd is maintained at the ranch in addition to the range cattle, and grain farming is conducted on a pretty fair scale, so the father and the boys manage to keep fairly busy. Mr. Spooner really had very little reason for the last trip to San Francisco, coming up merely to charter a steamer to make the trip to their private landing and take on some four thousand sacks of barley (you read it right, four thousand sacks) **produced on the ranch this year.** How annoying! Yes?

MID-WINTER MATINEE AT HANFORD.

Hanford, Cal., Jan. 10, 1916.

A card of three harness events and a running race made up the program of the second matinee given by local horsemen at the Kings County Fair Grounds yesterday. Unfavorable weather conditions prevailed; some rain fell during the afternoon but did not dampen the enthusiasm of the crowd of some two hundred people that were in attendance. Each event was well contested and exciting finishes were quite frequent. Firebaugh, a Fresno horse, won the free-for-all pace from Julius Caesar with Allie Glen a close third. The two-thirty trot went to the magnificent son of Best Policy, King Policy, whose faultless gait has caught the eye of our railbirds. The two-year-old pace produced a pretty good race, the first heat seeing a nose-to-nose finish between Queen Mona and Ira Basler. The veteran trainer and driver, Mr. Jake Broiller, took the mount behind Ira Basler in the second heat and led to a hundred yards of the wire. Queen Mona won the heat and race in an exciting finish. The halfmile dash was won by Pearl from Johnnie White by a head. The summaries:

Free-for-all pace (halfmile heats):

Firebaugh	(Burks)	1	1
Julius Caesar	(Smith)	2	2
Allie Glen	(Lavine)	3	3

Time—1:12, 1:08.

2:30 trot:

King Policy	(Legett)	1	1
Zip McKinney	(Burks)	2	2
Mountaineer	(Senter)	3	4
Dexter W.	(Lavine)	4	3

Time—1:15, 1:15.

Two-year-old pace:

Queen Mona	(Owens)	1	1
Ira Basler	(Perry-Broiller)	2	2
Stone Direct	(Gallup)	3	3
Mollie 2nd	(Legett)	4	4

Time—1:14½, 1:13¾.

THAT DURFEE "CHAIN GANG."

"Boss," said Little Henry Atkinson to Deputy Sheriff Willie Durfee one day last week at Los Angeles, "that sod has got to come off the terrace at the flower beds so we can sow some seed and get a stand of real grass. How about it?"

"Sure," said D. S. W. D., just like that, "good idea whenever we can get the help." Then he leaned back in his office chair at the track at Exposition Park and as his thumbs sought a comfortable hanging place in the armholes of his vest his left fingers accidentally brushed the nice little badge that Los Angeles county says he can wear so long as the present officials stay in office. "This thing might just as well be useful as so darned ornamental," mused D. S. W. D., just like that, and he called to Henry to rustle the proper tools while he himself rustled some men to wield them, which to a man in his official capacity ought to be a fairly simple matter.

It was simple, too, when he really got down to work.

The first culprit he impressed was the well known International speed impresario, Railey W. Macey, who was sent to the chain gang on an indefinite sentence charged with having filched the 1915 coast record for a public performance with Power Patch as his accessory away back in October, the said D. S. W. D. being no respecter of the statute of limitations, at least not when the flower bed needed men to work on it.

Frederick Ward, having the misfortune to round into view about this time, was made the second victim of the pressing needs of the posey patch, charged with conspiracy to win all the slow trots in the short grass circuit last season with the trotter Great Northern, the complaint being lodged at the instigation of a number of horsemen from the other side of the mountains.

Just as he had gotten Ward in tow, there came a wireless from Barney Barnes in Winnipeg accusing Watt Cleveland of using one-workout-steel last winter on Strathtell when Barney had especially specified that metal be used that would stand off the pony pacer for at least two weeks, so that luckless farrier was also added to the bunch. Henry was being hard-put to find tools enough to supply all the victims of the Durfee activities by this time, but had to rustle one more rake for the use of Ike Lipson of Tulare, who had violated all the accepted rules and regulations for the conduct of both native sons and professional Californians by absenting himself from our glorious clime for over three consecutive weeks, owing to his trip to the Chicago sale and then on to New York city. Ike begged hard and pleaded that he had already been sufficiently punished, but the will of D. S. W. D. was adamant and Isaac went to it with the bunch.

Then Little Henry got his. By some sad error he had rounded up one extra tool and Durfee, recalling the fact that on that very morning the said Henry had refunded thirty dollars of expense money out of two hundred with which he had been furnished six weeks or more ago, very promptly made him go to it with the other criminals, any stable manager that cannot get away with thirty bucks in twice as many days laying himself wide open to suspicion on general grounds.

Then the camera man flock shot the bunch, including the said D. S. W. D., who will be readily recognized by his badge of authority and his air of indolent ease. Why worry or work when you can get a good gang like this to do the sweating?

Truly, this thing of being a deputy sheriff has its convenient features—in Los Angeles county. In the mountains of Kentucky it's a different matter.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

TRAPSHOOTING BOOMING ON COAST.

Soon the season for live game hunting will be over and the lovers of the gun will divert their attention to trapshooting, appropriately termed "The Sport Alluring." On about the middle of next month the various clubs along the Pacific Coast will commence to schedule events and the fun will run continuously until late in November.

In the history of sports it is doubtful if any pastime has made greater progress in recent years than has trapshooting. This is especially true on the Pacific Coast. Not so many years back there were only a few clubs scattered here and there while today there are 250 recognized organizations in California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada and Arizona. The explanation is that it is an outdoor sport that has proved fascinating to women and children as well as men. The growing interest of the fair sex has exerted an influence that is bound to make the sport prosper and flourish. Men from all walks of life have become interested and it is this democratic condition that has made the appeal.

Steel nerves, quick and unerring judgment and unfaltering action are required by your skilled trapshooter. Science to an extreme degree is needed for high scores. The public at large will eventually appreciate trapshooting and thus establish it with the leading sports of America. The recreation is not limited to this country by any means. Fact is, it has given competition to the racing game in recent years as "The Sport of Kings." Practically all the crowned heads of Europe are devotees of the traps.

We, however, do not intend to go into a history of trapshooting for it is too firmly established and known for that purpose. What we are pointing out is the growth of the pastime on the Pacific Coast. There is none better qualified to tell of this than Clarence A. Haight. Billy Price and others of the pioneer guard of trapshooters refer to him as the "Father of the Sport in the Far West." In matter of actual experience and work in behalf of the fascinating game they cannot be far wrong for it was back in the Eighties when he was banging away at clay pigeons and enjoying his young self.

"I regret to say that there are few if any of the boys active at present who used to make up the parties at the traps of the old Lincoln Gun Club," says Mr. Haight. "That was back in 1888 when the club's grounds were down at Colma. In those days we used a common brick-colored clay pigeon. Still we used to have the same old recreation and enjoyed the sport. Shortly afterwards the club moved to Alameda, where events were held practically every week in the year until 1901.

Giant strides have been made in the improvement of trapshooting. In the first place, it has grown to wonderful proportions and more interest is attached to it. The equipment has been made modern. The blue rocks put in an appearance and all down the line improvements have been coming steadily. I have confidence that the coming year will keep pace with those just gone. The sport is bound to take hold and I look to the day when it will class with baseball as the national pastime."

Clarence A. Haight follows this up with a bit of news that will be received with pleasure by Coast shots. It is to the effect that the Interstate Trapshooting Association has decided to reconsider the action at its recent meeting in not alloting a Pacific Coast handicap tournament. The Portland Gun Club has filed application to hold the fixture, some time in August, and in all likelihood it will be granted. This is considered just inasmuch as the Coast classic was staged at San Diego, Cal., in the southern part of the territory, last season. A movement is already on foot to programme a banner array of events to attract all of the crack shots from the Coast points.

In the next couple of weeks the gun clubs will commence work for staging an auspicious opening. Among the many big organizations that will get under way are the Golden Gate, and Bay View clubs of Alameda; San Jose and Garden City clubs of San Jose; Vallejo Gun Club; Moraga Club of Contra county; Big Time Club of Sacramento; Stockton Club, Fresno Club; Alhambra Club of Martinez; Alturas Club, Venice Club, San Diego Club, Vernon Club, Family Club of Menlo Park, San Bernardino Club, Long Beach Club, Hollister Club and a hundred others in different parts along the Coast.

Prospects are for a big season in 1916. While Hugh O Poston was in Sacramento during the week he gave evidence of his faith in the sport by the following interview in the Sacramento Union:

"California is to see a remarkable increase of trapshooting this season, according to Hugh E. Poston of the Hercules Powder Company, who was at the Sacramento hotel yesterday. He bases his prediction on the inquiries being received from the scatter gun men the state over.

"Poston's explanation of the increasing interest in trap work is that game is getting so scarce it is harder and more expensive each year to secure any decent shooting.

"Throughout the United States there has been a remarkable increase during the last few years in those addicted to the clay pigeon game, but the trap enthusiasm has not progressed as rapidly in this State as elsewhere, due to the abundant game supply of the past."

OLDEST GUN CLUB IN UNITED STATES IS LOCATED IN SAN FRANCISCO.

San Francisco claims the honor of possessing one of the oldest gun clubs in the United States, if not in the world. It is the California Wing Shooting Club. Back in 1873 it was organized and has existed ever since. At present its membership consists of thirty-five, who are active throughout the season. The California Wing Shooting Club's grounds have been located at Sobrante on the Bay Shore but a new spot will be secured inside the next couple of months. The club has brought out a number of fine shots, some of whom have shown their skill in England, France, Belgium, Italy, Monte Carlo and other European countries.

INTEREST IN RIFLE SHOOTING.

Washington, D. C.—At the present time there is an unprecedented revival on throughout the country in rifle shooting, brought about by the enactment of a law by Congress last year authorizing the free issue of rifles and ammunition to rifle clubs organized by civilians. Under this act ten citizens in any locality can organize themselves into a government rifle club and adopt by-laws approved by the Secretary of War. The club then affiliates with the National Rifle Association of America and there is issued by the War Department one new Krag rifle for every five members of the club and 120 rounds of ammunition to each member annually for use on the rifle range. The work of organizing the clubs, looking after them, issuing decorations and medals, and classifying their work, was put in the hands of the National Rifle Association of America, and this organization, which for forty-two years has been working to make rifle shooting a popular sport in this country, has suddenly sprung into prominence through its co-operation with the government by the organization of these clubs. Within the last year the association reports that it has completed the organization of over 400 clubs, not only in the United States proper, but in Porto Rico, Canal Zone, Alaska and Hawaii. Over 1,500,000 rounds of ammunition have been issued to these clubs during the year, and about 3,000 rifles. The possibilities of this movement are unlimited and depend only upon the securing of range facilities where such clubs can carry on their work. With this object in view, Congress will be asked at this session to provide for a commission to investigate the entire subject of range construction from a national defense standpoint, survey the entire country and recommend a permanent national policy of range construction and localities where such ranges should be constructed. In addition the National Rifle Association will ask for a national charter and an annual appropriation of $25,000 from Congress to assist it in carrying on the work as it should be done. Although the association has a perfect organization, with secretaries and branches in every state, there is no way in which it can reimburse these secretaries for their traveling expenses and time, and it is hardly to be expected that these men, who are active and prominent in business, should devote their time and money to this work without reimbursement.—American Field.

FIELD TRIALS FOR TACOMA.

At a meeting of the Washington Field Trial Club at Tacoma, Wash., it was decided to hold the first annual trials of the club on February 21 and 22. The club has been endeavoring to secure the privilege of running its trials on certain grounds about twenty-five miles from Tacoma, where is located the best trials ground in the Northwest, but has been unable so far to complete the desired arrangements, although it is satisfied that all arrangements will be completed for use in the fall of 1916, in which case the trials will be held about September 15. The grounds there will be about five by eight miles in extent, practically a level field, with good footing and with quantities of birds of several varieties. All the trials will be run on mixed game birds.

The club is running a Membership and open Derby and open All-Age stakes. No one barred in the open stakes. Entry fees, $3 to enter and $2 starting fees, sixty per cent of entry fees in each class to be divided as prize money.

Entry blanks for the coming trials may be had from F. E. King, secretary, P. O. Box 63, Tacoma, Wash.

The officers of the new club are: President, Elliott Kelly; vice-president, A. H. Nelson; secretary-treasurer, F. E. King; board of trustees, J. A. Balmer, W. W. Kurtz, D. G. Macdonell, Al Weiseman, Elliott Kelly, A. H. Nelson and F. E. King.

LOCAL DOGS FOR NEW YORK SHOW.

Quite a few California kennels will be represented at the Westminster show which opens in New York City on February 20th. Walter Stettheimer of the Tallac Fox Terrier Kennels; John M. Williams who had the imported airedale Crofton Chum, winner of 100 ribbons in England, on exhibition at the exposition; O. F. Vedder, Pacific Coast representative of the American Kennel Club, and John Bradshaw with Country Model, judged best dog at the exposition show, are among those who have declared their intentions of making the trip. Mrs. Anita Baldwin is also considering the possibility of taking back some bull dogs, airedales and Russian wolfhounds from her Anoakia Kennels in the southern part of the State. Mrs. Baldwin is importing six airedale terriers from England for breeding purposes.

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In all probability the Golden Gate Kennel Club of San Francisco will stage its annual show in April. An invitation has been extended to Walter H. Reeves of London, England, to judge all breeds. Mr. Reeves is manager of the famous Victor Fox Terrier Kennels of Great Barrington, Ill. There promises to be an extensive local kennel circuit this season to be made up of shows promoted by the Golden Gate, San Mateo, San Jose, Oakland and Marin clubs.

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The Pacific Cocker Spaniel Club held a well attended meeting on December 28, 1915, and elected the following officers for the coming year: W. H. Dennis, president; F. N. Burns, vice-president; J. C. Rutten, secretary-treasurer; Miss L. Hering, trustee; Mrs. F. M. Scheik, trustee. The election for judges will take place at the January meeting.

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H. M. Robertson of Pasadena, a well-known Southern handler, will bring a large string of dogs for the Golden Gate show.

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Champion Khartoum, a once famous bull dog, died this week at the home of his owner, Mrs. Agnes Fenwick, 2376 Jackson street. Khartoum was bred by Mrs. Penfold Field of London. He was imported several years ago, and after defeating many famous champions at the Philadelphia show he was sold to Mrs. Hamilton of New York for $2000, then a record price for a bull dog.

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Mrs. Anna Elliott, owner of the crack little Maltese terrier, Sir Francis Drake, intends to show him at all the coming local shows. Drake recently won the required number of points to entitle him to his championship.

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Mayor Rolph has added to his Mission kennels a brace of English harriers and a foxhound. The Mayor intends to send them to the country to get them in condition so trat they will be in trim when the time comes to use them for hunting.

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"Pat" Moran, manager of the Phillies, has bought an airedale puppy. The youngster will be called "Alex," in honor of the Quaker's star pitcher. Alex will be the mascot of the team next year.

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Mr. Nat McConnell, Vancouver, B. C., reports a splendid litter of nine pups, four dogs, whelped September 14th. They are sired by Mr. McConnell's crack dog, Bachelors Boy and out of Kilarney Pandora, the dam of Ch. Killarney Marion.

JOHN X. DeWITT LAID TO REST.

John X. DeWitt, for many years in charge of the rod and gun department on the Breeder and Sportsman, was laid to final rest on January 7, interment being at Mount Olivet Cemetery. The funeral services were held under the auspices of California Parlor No. 1, Native Sons of the Golden West, of which the deceased was a member.

A large delegation, including many anglers and huntsmen, was in attendance. Phil Bekeart spoke feelingly of his old departed friend. "Never in all my experience have I ever met a man with a kinder and sweeter nature than Jack DeWitt," he said. "Not once did I ever hear him speak an unkind word of a brother, and he was always ready to grasp a friend by the hand.

"There are many in this gathering who held the friendship of Jack DeWitt dearly. I see some of his boon companions back in the eighties, when he was a member of the Olympic Club. Others met him by the stream and brook. There are many of us who will miss Jack DeWitt in the days to come."

Turning to the casket with eyes dimmed by tears, Bekeart continued: "Jack, I wish with all my heart that you will find in the place where I know you are going a large, green meadow and that you will have your favirite rod in your hand, so that pleasure and comfort will be yours."

It was a beautiful speech filled with deep feeling and expressed the sentiment of all of the late John X. DeWitt's many friends.

Secretary E. Reed Shaner of the Interstate Association announces that the following committee has been named to allot handicaps to entrants in the coming Grand American Handicap: Jas. W. Bell, chairman, St. Louis, Mo.; Ray E. Loring, Marseilles, Ills.; Geo. K. Mackie, Lawrence, Kans.; Guy V. Dering, Columbus, Wis.; John H. Noel, Nashville, Tenn.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

Sportsmen's Row

W. H. Price, President of the Golden Gate Gun Club, has been suffering with a severe cold for the past week or so but is getting better. Billy's place on Stevenson street off Second is the gathering point for the boys and they have a most genial host. Billy is one of the pioneers of the shooting brigade.

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It will be several days before Max Rosenbach will be sighting his trusty shotgun at a bird on the wing. While reading the paper the other night he had the misfortune to stick his finger in his eye and he has been laid up with a bandage over his lamp. Max says he is going to wear interference boots on his hands hereafter.

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A. J. Stevenson pulled a funny one at Alviso on Sunday. He became drowsy while in the blind and dropped off to sleep. It was only a few minutes before he opened his eyes and was surprised to find a whole flock of spoonbills around the decoys. His gun was in such an awkward position, however, that the birds got pretty well up before he could get a shot and he only landed one. Stevenson is going to take an alarm clock into the blind the next time he goes hunting.

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The blue-rock busters are looking forward to Dick Reed's early return from Portland, where he went on business. Dick has a flock of friends who are anxious to listen to many of his original stories.

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Hugh Poston has had Bill Price fit a new stock to his shotgun and expects to miss but few this coming season. He places his faith in the single barrel gun, not discarding it even for quail. Hugh is visiting San Joaquin valley and will be back next week.

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Theodore Kytka, the handwriting expert, is an ardent devotee of the rod and gun. He is a crack shot and understands wild birds thoroughly. Fact is, he conducts a miniature game farm in the back yard of his residence at Union and Broderick streets in this city. Some years ago Mr. Kytka secured permission from the Fish and Game Commission to raise wild ducks. He has mallard and teal running wild. Their wings are clipped and they have developed into great pets. A pond is provided for the birds and they seem contented and happy in their home surrounded by civilization.

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Some thirty members of the Sutter Gun Club and their guests recently enjoyed a big turkey supper and on the following morning turned out and enjoyed good sport on the preserves in banging away at ducks and geese. Those who were in attendance included C. R. Boyd, E. M. Boyd, Charles Boyd, Jr., C. D. O'Banion, E. B. Starr, Frank Bremer, Lawrence Schillig, Phillip Chism, C. W. Rankin, Donald Wilkie, Mr. Summerville of Sacramento, Hobart Miller, E. S. Kimball, S. McLean, Glen Onstott, and John Onstott, Jr.

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H. A. Harms, A. A. Brown, W. H. Keaton, J. E. Robinson, and Frank Ely had the good fortune to get the limit of geese in the San Joaquin volley, all of which provided a grand "goose supper" for the Woodmen of the World lodge at Sacramento.

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One of the few shooting accidents of the season was reported on the banks of Butte Creek last week. W. B. Dobson was stooping over a trap when he was peppered with bird shot. Tony Mattiazzi, a sixteen-year-old lad, confessed to the authorities that he did the shooting. He explained that he heard a stir in the brush and let go a barrel, thinking it was a duck. An investigation proved that it was wholly accidental and no action was taken when the lad's father guaranteed to pay the expenses of Dobson, who was not seriously injured.

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Carl Tobiasson of Indian Flat had a thrilling experience with a mountain lion while returning to his home on Christmas eve. He encountered the animal in his path and took a shot with his shotgun. The lion became enraged when some of the leaden pellets took effect in his side and made a charge. Tobiasson says he did not hesitate to make tracks for his house and broke some speed records in reaching safety.

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If you have a claim on the friendship of Al Drendell get him to make you a dish of his celebrated "mystery stew." Homer Gambler and Mark Weyman, who went on a hunting trip with him last fall, had the pleasure of sampling it and they give it the seal of their O. K. The ingredients are so varied and kept so secret by Drendell that it has justly earned its name of "mystery." Drendell is an enthusiastic huntsman, angler and dog fancier and many years of experience in camps stand back of his famous stew.

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John Fisher, game expert of the Fish and Game Commission, has been standing many a good laugh this week. He received a quiet tip from a friend at Dixon to the effect that geese were to be found in abundance along the Sacramento river. Mr. Fisher is pretty handy with shotgun or rifle and forthwith made known to his friends that they could make arrangements for a goose dinner. While to make the story brief, said John Fisher went out Sunday in all the rain and wind and he returned burdened down with one (1) goose. Hence the laugh.

STEELHEAD ANGLING JUST ABOUT OVER.

Devotees of that sport par-excellence, steelhead angling, have reached the conclusion that their operations for the season are just about over. The heavy rain came along at a time when the fighting demon fish were arriving and the rivers have been placed in such a condition that the rod and reel activities are out of the question.

The season opened on December 15th and lasts two months and anglers were enthused over the news that the bar was open on Russian River. Many were the parties planned to visit the favorite spot at Duncan's Mills before the rain came down. The anglers are usually afforded opportunities to make catches while the steelheads stay in the tide waters. With the rivers rising, however, the fish went right on through up-stream to the small streams that empty into the main body of water.

The Paper Mill creek in Marin county, Sonoma creek, Salmon creek and the San Gregorio and Pescadero creeks in San Mateo, other favorite steelhead fishing waters, have been affected the same as the Russian river.

The striped bass seekers were forced to places of shelter by the rain and wind. Fact is, the sport has not been as good along the San Antonio as many of the regulars had hoped for.

The San Francisco Striped Bass Club is going to make merry this coming Thursday night. The annual dinner will be held at the St. Germain Restaurant on Ellis street just off Market. President Alvin W. Thornton and James Lynch of the entertainment committee invite all members to be present and to bring their wives, sweethearts and friends. The club is arranging some merry entertainment to amuse the big gathering that is expected.

GREWELL BEST AT VERNON TRAPS.

With several old timers on hand and several men prominent in trap shooting circles as visitors, the Vernon Gun Club staged its postponed clay pigeon shoot last Sunday morning and afternoon despite the chances of rain.

The contest of fifty targets covered the W. H. Wilshire trophy, the final shoot for the blackbird watch fobs and the initial shoot for the four silver loving cups.

Fred Grewell of William Hoegee company, shooting from the seventeen-yard range, successfully showed that he was the best shooter of the day, by copping a leg on the Wilshire trophy by breaking forty-six birds out of the half century thrown.

Grewell makes the tenth shooter who has won a leg on this prize, which goes to show that the handicaps carefully selected for each shooter are what they should be and again that the shooters who were in the "dub" class six months ago are coming to the front and are up with the former cracks, who used to annex every prize in sight shoot after shoot.

R. L. Hall broke 161 out of 175 in practicing. This was as good as the best. He has improved wonderfully of late, and is now one of the 90 per cent class, shooting in class A.

Class shooting covered the loving cups and watch fobs competition. Hall was victor in class A with a 45x50 score. In class B Doc Fitzgerald and Forrest of the Fillmore Gun Club tied with 44x50 scores. Grewell copped a leg on a cup in class C with his score of 46x50, and C. E. Groat, president of the Vernon Gun Club, won in class D with 46x50. The four best scores made during the last three months on the watch fobs will be looked over and announced in a few days by the club management.

Barham of Arizona, a crack shot of the Cactus state, came out with "Pop" Haight of the Du Pont Powder Company. Haight pinged a number of targets at practice shooting and broke 109 out of 125.

Ed Mitchell of Selby Load fame also journeyed out to the club on Sunday, it being his first trip. He came out in his brand new gasoline buss and explained how his car had it on Henry Ford's silent "four." At the traps he broke 71 out of 75.

The scores are as follows:

Wilshire trophy and loving cup competition of 50 birds—

Name—	Hdcp.	Match. Th.	Match. Br.	Practice. Th.	Practice. Br.
R. L. Hall	18	50	45	175	161
Fullerton	16	50	39	100	..
Mendeville	17	50	39	50	38
S. A. Bruner	19	50	44	175	164
Forrest	17	50	44	..	..
William Pugh	18	50	40	100	91
T. P. Smith	17	50	41	50	40
Keeton	16	50	39	..	..
A. W. Bruner	16	50	45	50	43
Robinson	16	50	41	75	63
Bonkam	18	50	44	125	114
McDonnell	16	50	40	50	34
Guy Holohan	19	50	46	125	115
H. D. Blanchard	18	50	41	75	65
C. E. Groat	16	50	45	75	64
Mrs. C. E. Groat	16	50	43	50	44
Dr. Fitzgerald	18	50	44	50	44
Durdoff	17	50	36	50	40
Fred Grewell	17	50	46	50	49
A. N. Vannest	16	50	30	50	37
M. R. Keer	16	50	39	25	20
Ed Mitchell	16	..	..	75	71
White	16	50	39	25	23
C. H. Groat	16	..	..	25	16
George Persinger	16	..	..	25	19
C. A. Haight	18	50	41	125	109

COURSING RESTRICTED TO MEMBERS.

At a meeting of the Capital City Coursing Club, held Monday afternoon at Sacramento, it was decided that only members will be permitted to enter dogs at future meets. The action was taken for the purpose of promoting membership as well as to make it easier to properly handle the meets. The initiation fee will be $1 and the monthly dues will be 25 cents.

R. K. Malcolm and J. H. Rossiter of San Francisco offered $50 each to the club to be included in the stake offered at the next meet, which will be held some time early in February, the date to be announced later.

John Grace, J. H. Rossiter and R. K. Malcolm were made honorary members of the club. Such membership will in future be a prize.

ANGLERS FIGHT FOR McCLOUD RIVER.

Anglers of the state, counties whose fishing streams are among their important resources and various sportsmen of California are watching with much interest the condemnation proceedings instituted by the county supervisors of Shasta against the Hearst-Wheeler interests, who control nine miles of the river which was stocked with fish by the state, and who now are preventing citizens from fishing. So keen is this contest that anglers of the state are preparing to rally to the fight, $1000 already having been raised in Siskiyou county to aid in the legal battle.

George Neale of the Fish and Game Commission asserted that he hoped the people of California were alive to the threat to their interests which is found in the Wheeler-Hearst action in setting up a baronetcy on this river. Similar action, if permitted on the part of others, would mean that seventy persons could control all the streams of Shasta county and no Californian other than themselves would be permitted on the premises.

Involved in the legal fight is the Rutherford law passed at the last legislature purposely to regulate this very evil. This law, which Governor Johnson signed despite hundreds of protests from the big interests of the state, provides that land along a stream may be condemned for a highway, thus permitting fishermen to follow that stream and fish.

Under this act the supervisors of Shasta county instituted condemnation proceedings along the nine miles of the McCloud river where the Wheeler-Hearst holding are situated and now the legal forces are squaring away for the battle.

Questioned on the matter recently F. W. Newbert of the fish and game commission said: "Not only have the Hearts prevented the people of the state who paid, by direct taxation, for the stocking of the stream, from nshing in front of their property, but the people are unable to reach other parts of the river so controlled because they are not permitted to pass the Hearst estate. An armed guard warns every one away.

"What these interests think of the poor people is shown by the establishment of the Hearst preserve on the McCloud river, and the fight to prevent the people of California from catching the fish they themselves have paid for."

It is understood that the big estate is controlled by Charles S. Wheeler, attorney for Mrs. Hearst.—Sacramento Union, Jan. 10.

WINNERS OF DuPONT LONG RUN CONTESTS.

The DuPont Powder Company makes announcement of the trapshooters who shot well enough during the year to win the DuPont Long Run Trophy Watches. They are:

H. B. Shoop, Harrisburg, Pa.; W. S. Behm, Esterly, Pa.; J. W. Bell, St. Louis, Mo.; F. G. Bills (p), Chicago, Ill.; J. S. Frink, Worthington, Minn.; L. S. German (p), Aberdeen, Md.; Fred Gilbert (p), Spirit Lake, Iowa; J. M. Hawkins (p), Forest Park, Md. (2); Woolfolk Henderson, Lexington, Ky.; Chas. Hummel, La Porte City, Iowa; S. A. Huntley, Chicago, Ill.; A. Killam (p), St. Louis, Mo. (2); C. N. Newcomb, Philadelphia, Pa.; Jno. H. Noel, Nashville, Tenn.; A. B. Richardson, Dover, Del.; C. G. Spencer (p), St. Louis, Mo.; J. R. Taylor (p), Newark, Ohio; W. H. Tolen, Fort Dodge, Iowa; F. M. Troch, Vancouver, Wash.; J. P. White, Watertown, S. Dak.; F. S. Wright, Buffalo, N. Y.; C. A. Young, Springfield, Ohio.

The letter "p" indicates the professionals. In this connection it will be noted that Arthur Killam and J. M. Hawkins have both won two watches. The rules governing the award of these watches provide that an amateur make fifteen runs of 50 or over and a professional twenty-five runs of 50 or over. Runs to count against the watches must be made with DuPont, Ballistiite, Schultze or Empire powder and at tournaments registered with the Interstate Association. This Long Run Trophy Plan is continuous through 1916 or the present year, and shooters who have not made the runs necessary to win a watch may complete their runs in 1916. The competition is continuous through 1916 in that shooters may win any number of watches or merchandise to the value of the watch and that the watch may be either a lady's or gentleman's design.

The five thousand acre farm of Col. Frank O. Lowden of Oregon, Ill., has been leased for a period of five years to the state of Illinois as a game preserve. Col. Lowden will live on the farm and till the soil, as formerly, but no hunting will be allowed on the premises.

REGISTERED TOURNAMENT AVERAGES OF THE INTERSTAE ASSOCIATION FOR 1915.

Pittsburgh, Pa., January 1, 1916.

To the Breeder and Sportsman:

Following herewith is the official Interstate Association list of amateur and professional shooting averages for 1915, with names of contestants, total number of targets shot at in Registered Tournaments, total number of targets scored, and percentages.

The averages for single targets for both amateurs and professionals are based on a minimum of 2,000 targets, as per The Interstate Association ruling to that effect.

The averages for double targets are computed on The Association Tournaments only, and they are based on taking part in two tournaments as a minimum, as per The Interstate Association ruling to that effect.

THE INTERSTATE ASSOCIATION,
E. REED SHANER, Secretary.

AVERAGES FOR SINGLE TARGETS.
Amateurs.

Name and Address	Sh. at	Bke.	Pct.
Henderson, Woolfolk, Lexington, Ky...	2800	2731	.9753
Huntley, S. A., Omaha, Neb.....	3900	3775	.9679
Wright, Frank S., Buffalo, N. Y.....	3455	3333	.9646
Ridley, Wm., What Cheer, Ia.....	2300	2215	.9630
Holland, D. J., Springfield, Mo.....	2000	1923	.9615
Jahn, Jno. R., Davenport, Ia.....	2100	2019	.9614
Richardson, A. B., Dover, Del.....	3480	3329	.9566
Behm, Walter S., Esterly, Pa.....	4285	4098	.9563
Graper, F. A., Custer Park, Ills.....	3480	3328	.9563
Foord, Wm. M., Wilmington, Del.....	2805	2680	.9554
Newcomb, Chas. M., Philadelphia, Pa.	4600	5385	.9532
Heil, Allen, Allentown, Pa.....	2750	2618	.9520
White, J. Potter, Watertown, S. Dak..	3440	3274	.9517
Hummel, Chas., La Porte City, Ia.....	3590	3415	.9512
Ford, O. N., San Jose, Cal.....	2830	2690	.9505
Painter, Geo. E., Pittsburgh, Pa.....	2050	1958	.9502
Noel, John H., Nashville, Tenn.....	2950	2797	.9481
Tolen, W. H., Ft. Dodge, Ia.....	3390	3209	.9466
Bell, Jas. W., St. Louis, Mo.....	3450	3256	.9437
Coburn, C. D., Mechanicsburg, O.....	3625	3419	.9431
Apperson, Edgar L., Kokomo, Ind.....	2355	2219	.9422
Cochrane, W. H., Bristol, Tenn.....	2280	2148	.9421
Teats, Brian, Northumberland, Pa.....	2710	2553	.9420
Crothers, E. K., Bloomington, Ills.....	2900	2729	.9410
Troch, F. M., Vancouver, Wash.....	2050	1975	.9634
Knox, J. N., Convoy, Ohio.....	2030	1908	.9399
Fish, Geo. N., Lyndonville, N. Y.....	2455	2307	.9397
Bellinger, H. N., Memphis, Tenn.....	2800	2628	.9385
Edmonson, C. A., Clayton, Ind.....	2305	2163	.9383
French, A. J., Watertown, S. Dak.....	2350	2204	.9379
Frink, John S., Worthington, Minn....	3920	3668	.9357
Heuing, C. D., Bradford, Pa.....	2225	2081	.9352
Hall, G. T., Loami, Ills.....	2000	1868	.9340
Chamberlain, A. L., New Haven, Conn.	2070	1933	.9338
Campbell, A. H., Memphis, Tenn.....	2050	1914	.9336
Billmeyer, Frank, Cumberland, Md. ...	2500	2334	.9336
Prior, Toney, San Francisco, Cal.....	2430	2267	.9329
Shoop, Harry B., Harrisburg, Pa.....	4345	4052	.9325
Young, Jesse S., Chicago, Ills.....	2780	2591	.9320
Cochran, Geo., Rodfield, Pa.....	2200	2048	.9309
Barrett, J. M., Atlanta, Ga.....	2100	1954	.9304
Koch, F. C., Phillipsburg, O.....	2500	2326	.9304
Martin, John G., Harrisburg, Pa.....	5495	5111	.9301
Morgan, R. D., Washington, D. C.....	3190	2966	.9297
Severn, Wm. B., Philadelphia, Pa.....	2005	1863	.9291
Varner, E. W., Adams, Neb.....	2690	2497	.9282
Ogilvie, Harry, Lindsay, Cal.....	2750	2552	.9280
Kautzky, Joe, Ft. Dodge, Iowa.....	2840	2633	.9271
Remy, B. P., Indianapolis, Ind.....	3030	2809	.9270
Austin, J. T., Monroe, La.....	3000	2781	.9270
Buckles, A. C., Lake Fork, Ills.....	2950	2734	.9267
Tomlin, Fred S., Glassboro, N. J.....	2060	1909	.9266
Adams, E. H., Reading, Pa.....	2200	2037	.0259
Chipley, John L., Greenwood, S. C....	3450	3190	.9246
Burger, Paul R., Catawissa, Pa.....	2210	2043	.9244
McKelvey, C. E., Seattle, Wash.....	2400	2218	.9241
Connor, A. C., Springfield, Ills.....	4200	3881	.9240
Nash, Chas. H., San Jose, Cal.....	2225	2052	.9222
Warren, J. K., Birmingham, Ala.....	2350	2167	.9221
Gayle, Roy C., Lincoln, Ills.....	2000	1844	.0220
Waggoner, C. L., Diller, Neb.....	2100	1936	.9219
Ivins, A. L., Red Bank, N. J.....	2015	1855	.9206
Rains, R. C., West Frankfort, Ills.....	2000	1841	.9205
Stevens, C. T., Zanesville, Ohio.....	2050	1886	.9200
Corfield, W. E., Utica, N. Y.....	2520	3218	.9198
Stewart, M. E., West Fairview, Pa....	2200	2023	.9195
Dodds, J. F., San Diego, Cal.....	3795	3489	.9193
Roseberry, F. U., Baltimore, Md.....	2655	2439	.9186
Putnam, S. W., Fitchburg, Mass.....	2160	1984	.9185
Nelson, Carl, F., Rawlins, Wyo.....	2150	1974	.9181
Calhoun, J. F., McKeesport, Pa.....	2150	1969	.9158
Mellon, Frank, Pittsburgh, Pa.....	2150	1968	.9153
Hinshaw, E. C., Spirit Lake, Ia.....	3290	3007	.9139
Hood, H. C., Pittsburg, Kans.....	2150	1965	.9139
Glanville, Dean, Mason City, Iowa....	2100	1918	.9133
Ritmerman, R. W., Burton View, Ills...	2500	2283	.9132
Clark, Jr., Jay, Worcester, Mass.....	2530	2308	.9122
Flint, J. A., Greensboro, Ala.....	2350	2143	.9119
Vanderhoof, W. W., Watkins, N. Y...	2105	1919	.9116
Sidebotham, Frank, Philadelphia, Pa..	3300	3008	.9115
Koven, A., Fremont, Neb.....	3300	3090	.9115
Speer, John S., St. Marys, Pa.....	2175	1982	.9112
Bender, F. S., Lansdale, Pa.....	2275	2072	.9107
Clinger, Geo. W., Milton, Pa.....	2095	1908	.9107
Graham, S. C. S., Baltimore, Md.....	2070	1885	.9106
Goodcharles, Fred'k A., Milton, Pa.....	2270	2062	.9083
Hickman, M. D., Durant, Okla.....	2300	2089	.9082
Plum, Fred, Atlantic City, N. J.....	4115	3729	.9061
Riehl, A. A., Tacoma, Wash.....	2000	1809	.9045
Robison, L. J., Peoria, Ills.....	3000	2713	.9043
Wilkes, Thos., San Francisco, Cal....	2200	1989	.9049
Barton, H. C., Fonda, Iowa.....	2130	1920	.9014
Dearing, Geo. L., Shelbyville, Ills....	2450	2204	.8995
Shriver, Fred, Nettleton, Ark.....	2350	2114	.8995
Eyre, Harry, Philadelphia, Pa.....	2100	1887	.8985
Bartlett, E. L., Baltimore, Md.....	2205	1979	.8975
Yeomans, A. L., Eagle Grove, Ia.....	3450	3090	.8956
Bain, O. H., Logansport, Ind.....	2350	2100	.8936
Oliver, V., Philadelphia, Pa.....	3465	3094	.8929
Macke, Geo. K., Lawrence, Kans.....	3680	3283	.8921
Money, N., Iowa City, Ia.....	2850	2536	.8898
Northey, Harry G., Waterloo, Iowa...	2050	1822	.8887
Wadsworth, 3rd, D., Auburn, N. Y....	2480	2199	.8866
Ehlert, John, Buffalo, N. Y.....	3455	3061	.8859
Boedhar, J. B., Memphis, Tenn.....	2360	2089	.8851
Lamprecht, C. E., Algona, Ia.....	2590	2284	.8818
Lyman, C. W., Varina, Ia.....	2640	2328	.8818
Kowalchka, Jos., Mason City, Ia.....	2350	2069	.8840
Lorentz, L. C., Kansas City, Mo.....	2450	2155	.8795
Corson, L. L., Waterloo, Ia.....	2550	2237	.8772
Potter, Sam S., Mason City, Ia.....	3050	2668	.8747
Dean, J. C., North Platte, Neb.....	2760	2414	.8746
Schelling, Mrs. Ada, San Jose, Cal....	2130	2116	.8707
Fisher, J. F., Titonka, Ia.....	2590	2255	.8706
Lawrence, Dr. E. F., Lincoln, Ills....	2250	1956	.8693
Langmuir, C. R., Manchester, N. H..	2150	1866	.8679
Ford, E. C., Philadelphia, Pa.....	2550	2204	.8643
Burnham, Fred'k, Martinez, Cal.....	2080	1783	.8572
Fontana, J. B., Philadelphia, Pa.....	2350	2008	.8544
Willey, P. H., Dansville, N. Y.....	3175	3171	.8536
Melrath, E. B., Philadelphia, Pa.....	3500	2966	.8474
Wilson, J. W., McKeesport, Pa.....	2025	1712	.8454
Fell, Robt. G., Philadelphia, Pa.....	2075	1752	.8443
Tuckett, Geo. J., Bay Side, L. I., N. Y.	2030	1705	.8399
Fouts, J. E., Fonda, Ia.....	2790	2343	.8397
Castle, E. H., Charles City, Iowa.....	3540	2970	.8389
Remy, Frank, Anderson, Ind.	2355	1968	.8356
Penrod, J. E., Pitcairn, Pa.....	2000	1663	.8315
Schuyler, W. H., Kittanning, Pa.....	2000	1660	.8300
Derrich, Geo. W., West Haven, Conn...	2080	1718	.8259
Bitterling, J. C., Allentown, Pa.....	2375	1926	.8109
Amerman, R. D., Scranton, Pa.....	2050	1607	.7839
Remy, Mrs. B. P., Indianapolis, Ind....	2630	2035	.7737
McClarren, Wm., Ebensburg, Pa.	2050	1544	.7531
Remy, Mrs. Frank, Anderson, Ind....	2155	1601	.7429

Professionals.

Name and Address	Sh. at	Bke.	Pct.
Spencer, Chas. G., St. Louis, Mo.....	5620	5480	.9750
German, Lester S., Aberdeen, Md.....	4550	4433	.9742
Reid, L. H., Seattle, Wash.....	2550	2482	.9733
Young, C. A., Springfield, Ohio.....	3415	3319	.9718
Killam, Art, St. Louis, Mo.....	5520	5364	.9717
Gibbs, H. D., Union City, Tenn.....	3000	2898	.9660
Clark, Homer, Alton, Ills.....	3880	3743	.9647
Crosby, W. R., O'Farron, Ills.....	4050	3906	.9644
Taylor, John R., Newark, Ohio.....	3755	3620	.9640
Lewis, Bart, Auburn, Ills.	2625	2528	.9630
O'Brien, Ed., Florence, Kans.....	4300	4131	.9606
Storr, E. H., Richmond, Va.....	2375	2281	.9604
Hawkins, J. M., Baltimore, Md.....	7265	6943	.9556
Graham, J. H., Ingleside, Ills.....	6720	6419	.9552
Kreger, Geo., Redfield, S. Dak.....	2040	1947	.9544
Bills, F. G., Chicago, Ills.....	3730	3558	.9538
Hirschy, H. C., Minneapolis, Minn.....	2825	2690	.9522
Ammann, A. H., Peotone, Ills.....	4150	3950	.9518
Goodrich, C. E., Atlanta, Ga.....	3900	3710	.9513
Poston, H. E., San Francisco, Cal....	5480	5209	.9505
Somers, A. A., Delta, Fla.....	2495	2368	.9490
Huff, Walter, Macon, Ga.....	4900	4650	.9489
Hinkle, J. R., Oklahoma City, Okla...	4975	4721	.9489
Gilbert, Fred, Spirit Lake, Ia.....	6840	6490	.9488
Wade, L. L., Dallas, Texas.....	2695	2557	.9487
Maxwell, Geo. W., Hastings, Neb.....	5240	4964	.9473
Marshall, T. A., Chicago, Ills.....	2770	2622	.9465
Barre, J. W., Louisiana, Mo.....	2250	2129	.9462
Glover, Sim, Rochester, N. Y.....	2805	2653	.9458
Reed, R. C., San Francisco, Cal.....	2430	2295	.9444
Morgan, E. J., Salt Lake City, Utah..	4010	3782	.9431
Kirkwood, H. C., La Grange, Ills.....	2275	2143	.9419
Sked, O. S., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.....	2350	2213	.9417
Chapin, G. H., Brookfield, Mass.....	3320	3125	.9413
Kennicott, Harrison, St. Louis, Mo....	4770	4490	.9412
Worthington, H. L., Baltimore, Md....	2880	2710	.9409
Guptill, R. D., Watertown, S. Dak.....	2150	2023	.9409
Holohan, P. J., Portland, Ore.....	3250	3056	.9403
Dickey, J. E., Minneapolis, Minn.....	3725	3501	.9398
Daniel, E. M., Lynchburg, Va.....	3860	3626	.9393
Head, J. L., Moberly, Mo.....	2620	2461	.9393
Cumberland, L. W., Columbus, Ohio....	2650	2485	.9377
Welles, H. S., New York, N. Y.....	5210	4877	.9361
Banks, Edw., Wilmington, Del.....	3950	3692	.9346
Standard, W. D., Chicago, Ills.....	5030	4701	.9345
Donnelly, H. J., Oklahoma City, Okla..	4250	3969	.9338
Eastman, F. K., Indianapolis, Ind.....	4080	3806	.9328
Holeham, Guy E., Los Angeles, Cal....	2675	2495	.9327
Schwartz, Ben, Houston, Texas.....	4275	3982	.9314
Cadwallader, H. W., Decatur, Ills.....	5350	4967	.9284
Fox, T. H., Lynchburg, Va.....	5050	4678	.9263
Le Compte, C. O., Ashville, N. C.....	3600	3331	.9253
Gross, D. D., Kansas City, Mo.....	4200	3886	.9252
Augar, Neaf, New York, N. Y.....	6195	5731	.9251
Darton, W. B., Portland, Maine.....	5735	5300	.9241
Biggins, W. D., Minneapolis, Minn....	3200	2953	.9228
Stevens, H. H., Lavaletty, N. J.....	4555	4199	.9218
Barber, R. R., Minneapolis, Minn.....	3875	3567	.9205
Willis, L. D., Wilmington, Del.....	2300	2114	.9191
Slear, E. Fred, Collingwood, N. J.....	2610	2398	.9187
Barr, J. M., Indianapolis, Ind.....	2400	2203	.9179
Hardy, J. H., Denver, Colo.....	2200	2014	.9154
Bovee, D. W., Kansas City, Mo.....	3450	3154	.9142
Joslyn, W. A., Wilmington, Del.....	2565	2338	.9115
Fanning, J. S., New York, N. Y.....	4960	4518	.9109
Hill, W. G., Portland, Maine.....	3780	3431	.9076
Knight, Chas. H., San Francisco, Cal..	2845	2580	.9068
Chamberlain, W. R., Columbus, Ohio..	2500	2264	.9056
Willett, W. F., San Francisco, Cal.....	2000	1808	.9040
Ford, G. H., Chicago, Ills.....	4280	3868	.9035
Carter, Geo. L., Lincoln, Neb.....	3640	3270	.8983
Morris, E. B., Portland, Ore.....	2050	1841	.8980
Kirby, H. M., Kansas City, Mo.....	2050	1839	.8970
Jones, W. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.....	5790	5177	.8941
Hammond, W. M., Wilmington, Del....	6990	6242	.8929
Hymer, C. W., Minneapolis, Minn.....	3725	3325	.8926
Bowman, Wm. M., Denver, Col.....	3500	3124	.8925
Batchelor, J. W., Kansas City, Co.....	3000	2665	.8883
Dickey, O. R., Boston, Mass.....	5910	5220	.8832
White, W. P., Pittsburgh, Pa.....	2600	2292	.8815
Lincoln, R. F., Indianapolis, Ind.....	2405	2104	.8748
Scholl, S. S., Pittsburgh, Pa.....	2000	1748	.8740
Sibley, A. E., Boston, Mass.....	2610	2267	.8685
Lewis, Jas. K., Little Rock, Ark.....	2150	1859	.8646
Haight, C. A., San Francisco, Cal.....	2095	1800	.8591
Squier, L. J., Pittsburgh, Pa.....	2250	1919	.8528
Young, H. E., Sheridan, Pa.....	2050	1734	.8458
Holoday, C. J., Indianapolis, Ind.....	2060	1739	.8441
Pratt, J. F., Philadelphia, Pa.....	3300	2782	.8430
Simmons, E. E., Minneapolis, Minn....	3075	2576	.8377
Keller, H. A., New York, N. Y.....	3370	2807	.8329
Garland, J. C., Pittsburgh, Pa.....	2050	1692	.8253
Flannigan, Dave, Minneapolis, Minn....	4030	3308	.8208
Lewis, L. R., Atglen, Pa.....	3550	2898	.8163
Doremus, T. E., Wilmington, Del.....	2750	2207	.8025
Stanton, L. A., Denver, Col.....	2030	1608	.7921
Winans, H. E., Belleville, Ills.....	2985	2329	.7802
Whitney, Fred C., Des Moines, Ia....	6100	4652	.7626

AVERAGES FOR DOUBLE TARGETS.
Amateurs.

Name and Address	Sh. at	Bke.	Pct.
Dering, Guy V., Columbus, Wis.....	150	135	.9000
Huntley, S. A., Omaha, Neb.....	150	130	.8666
Henderson, Woolfolk, Lexington, Ky..	150	126	.8400
Noel, John H., Nashville, Tenn.....	150	118	.7866
Ball, G. W., Bridgeport, Ills.....	150	114	.7600
Connor, A. C., Springfield, Ills.....	150	112	.7466
Goodbar, J. B., Memphis, Tenn.....	150	102	.6800
Raup, W. J., Portage, Wis.....	150	97	.6466

Professionals.

Name and Address	Sh. at	Bke.	Pct.
Spencer, Chas. G., St. Louis, Mo.....	100	82	.8200
Doremus, T. E., Wilmington, Del.....	100	65	.6500

Where, O Where Are Northern Ducks?

Where, O, where are those flights of northern birds that have been awaited by local hunters ever since the first of December? Each week they have confidently been expected but up to date but comparatively few have put in an appearance. Experts—men who have followed hunting conditions and traditions year after year—are at a loss to understand the absence of the northern visitors.

One of the theories advanced is that the cold season set in in the north at a late date this winter and that the birds may be along later on. Another is that the flights started arriving at the time our terrific storm of a couple of weeks ago was raging and the bright fowls set a course inland and in a southerly direction. They may have gone to the Imperial valley. Certainly, few stayed in these parts and the local shotgunners have depended on local ducks for their sport.

It is fortunate that there were many local birds in evidence, otherwise the season would have been very disastrous. At the San Francisco office of the Fish and Game Commission the information is given out that the ducks about the bay shores bred in larger numbers last season than in years past. This is attributed to the fact that the late shooting in the spring was prohibited earlier than usual. The bombarding stopped on the last day of January and the birds were enabled to nest here with the pleasing results that have been set forth.

Shooting last Sunday was practically at a standstill on the bay points. M. S. Clark, a game deputy, made an inspection in a launch of the northern points of the bay on Sunday and found little or no game bagged. On Wednesday and Thursday he was on the south bay and found the waters just as barren of birds. Another evidence of the lack of birds is contained in the shipping reports turned in to the Fish and Game Commission. There were but seven limits shipped in from the different clubs and points about the bay, while when the season is in full blast there are scores of limits.

Phil Bekeart and Charley Breidenstein, a couple of well posted authorities on hunting, take a pessimistic view of the duck hunting season. "There will be no more duck hunting on the bay or salt water marshes for the rest of the season," says Bekeart. "When the storm came along the ducks scattered inland to feed at the new ponds and puddles that have been created. The northern birds have failed to put in an appearance for some unaccounted reason and it looks as if the only shooting that can be had is up in the rice field country up the state."

Breidenstein declares that it looks like the rod and gun fraternity will have to take a rest until May first, when the season opens for trout angling.

The recent turnout hasn't been very large. Some of the boys who went inland had some good sport last Sunday but it was raining close to home. Down in the Alviso marshes good bags were in evidence. A. J. Stevenson, Adolph Sutro and C. W. Kirke shot at the bridges and brought down spoonbills and some canvasbacks. The Eureka Gun Club had a good shoot and Frank Graves was in a party at the Auto Gun Club that got limits. Quite a few of the hunters got on the train at the draw-bridges and proudly displayed big bags.

From Los Banos it is reported that there is a bit too much water at present for high class results.

At Arton on Sunday Charles H. Kewell found conditions good, with duck weather and plenty of birds. Tony Korbel and John Connolly made the party to get limits.

A. Hebten, George Dreuiki and Fred W. Kewell were out and between them they gathered in 62 birds, which was not a bad day's sport.

Ed Bosqui and John Coleman worked along the Alameda shore and had a fair shoot. Snow and ice was still on the ground near Colusa but at that birds were flying.

Several law breakers have been taken into the toils in this section of the state the past week. Mike Egan was gathered in at Burlingame by Deputy Commissioners Burke and Leahy and fined $10 for killing robins. John Delacaza was arrested in the same locality and fined $25 for hunting without a license. Both men appeared before Judge Lamb.

Among others scooped into the net was Carlo Sorenzo, head waiter at a well known San Francisco restaurant. He was arrested in South San Mateo and fined $35 by Judge Davis, whow is rapidly becoming a terror for violators of the game laws. Sorenzo is an old offender. Last year he was arrested on a similar charge and fined $25. This time he was warned that if convicted he will be sent to jail.

CONVICTED BY A DOG.

An interesting story came to our desk last month, says an exchange, telling of a Pittsburgh judge who found a defendant guilty largely on the testimony of a dog. So many newspaper articles about animals are without foundation in fact that we wrote to the judge himself to learn the truth of the clipping. The story was that a little girl, Florence Boening, was attacked by a peddler, one John Madie. She was alone in the house. A pet collie dog attacked the assailant and so allowed the child to escape and seek refuge at a neighbor's. The man was afterwards arrested and brought into court. As the child was the only human witness against him the dog was summoned into court. The dog immediately sprang at Madie and was with great difficulty prevented from doing him serious injury. The judge decided that the corroborative evidence of the dog left no doubt of the man's guilt.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

OPPOSITION TO OAK CREEK HATCHERY.

Strong opposition has been aroused among Southern California sportsmen over the proposal of the California Fish and Game Commission to build a hatchery in the Oak creek district, five miles from Independence, in the Owens valley.

The opposition culminated in a meeting held in Azuza with W. D. Frederick as the leading spirit and Supervisors Hamilton and Henshaw, L. J. Mathews of Covina and C. A. Griffith of Azuza among those present. A protest has been lodged with Secretary Pritchard of the Los Angeles office of the commission and a number of sites suggested nmuch closer and more accessible than the one in the Owens valley. The co-operation of the San Bernardino authorities has been sought and granted.

Ice House canyon near Camp Baldy has been suggested, as has Grouse creek in Bear valley, the San Gabriel river canyon and a number of other places. Commissioner Connell's objection to the Ice House canyon site is that it is accessible only over a private toll road and that material for the hatchery would have to pay toll over this road, the same as other merchandise, while sportsmen and other visitors would also be compelled to pay toll.

The opponents of the Oak creek site claim that the objection to the Ice House canyon site can be done away with, and anyway, that other just as good sites can be obtained much closer to civilization. H. A. Parkford, a prominent fisherman of Ontario, is one of those most active in the opposition in San Bernardino county.

FISH NET DEFENDANT IN COURT.

"One Fish Net," come into court and be sworn. You are charged with existing illegally and you are to be decapitated, cut to pieces, burned and otherwise destroyed, if the proper legal qualification is given in a court of justice. But for goodness sake do not file a demurrer, because County Clerk Harry Saunders of Yolo would not know how to proceed in entering the proper order in the big book in his office, which is always necessary in such cases made and provided.

There is a case filed in the county court entitled, F. H. Newbert, Carl Westerfeld and M. J. McConnell vs. One Fish Net." The complainants are members of the Board of Fish and Game Commissioners of the Sovereign State of California; the fish net is one found last July 17 in a slough between Broderick and Davis by Lee Sinkey, and has been in his possession ever since. The owner was never located, consequently to have the legal right to destroy the net, suit was brought directly against the unlucky contrivance.

This is, of course, unfortunate for the net, but the dignity of the law must be upheld, so after the legal technicalities have been complied with there will be a solemn conclave of officialdom and the stern work of destruction will proceed with neatness and dispatch. "So mote it be."

DOGS CARRIERS OF DISEASES.

The dog in the country is a useful and pleasing adjunct to the farm if he is properly controlled and cared for, but when neglected may readily become a carrier of disease to stock, in addition to gaining opportunity to kill sheep and destroy gardens and other property. Dog ordinances, as a general rule, have been intended chiefly to curb the dog's power of doing harm by attacking, biting, killing, or running sheep or stock. The part he plays as a carrier of diseases to animals only recently has been recognized, according to the zoologists of the department, who believe that when this is better understood, rural ordinances and laws which lessen this danger will gain the support of the community.

In case of the foot-and-mouth disease the dog acts as a mechanical carrier of infection. The dog which runs across an infected farm easily may carry in the dirt on his feet the virus of this most contagious of animal diseases to other farms and thus spread the disease to the neighboring herds. In infected localities it is absolutely essential, therefore, to keep all dogs chained and never allow them off the farm except on leash.

There are, however, many other maladies in the spread of which the dog takes an active part. In Bulletin 260 of the Department, "The Dog as a Carrier of Parasites and Diseases," it is pointed out that rabies, hydatid, ringworm, favus, double-pored tapeworm, roundworm and tongue worm are often conveyed to human beings in this way. It occasionally happens also that the dog helps fleas and ticks in transmitting bubonic plague or the deadly spotted fever.

Hydatid disease is caused by the presence in the liver, kidneys, brain, lungs and other organs of a bladder worm or larval tapeworm. Bladder worms are often as large as an orange and may be larger. A dog which is allowed to feed on carrion or the raw viscera of slaughtered animals may eat all or part of a bladder worm containing numerous tapeworm heads. These tapeworm heads develop into small segmented tapeworms in the intestines of the dog. The tapeworms in turn develop eggs which are passed out in the excrement of the dog. They are spread broadcast on grass and in drinking water where animals can very well eat them and thus become infected. The hog is particularly liable to this disease because of its rooting habits. The egg may get into human food, and persons who allow dogs to lick their hands and face also run the risk of getting the eggs of the tapeworm in their systems.

Prevention on the farm consists in so restraining the dog that he can not get at carrion or raw viscera. Viscera should be boiled before being fed to dogs and should never be thrown on the fields. If not cooked and fed, viscera and carcasses should be burned, buried with lime, or so disposed of as not to be accessible to dogs. Proper feeding of the dog is essential, and the owner who does not feed a dog properly has no right to keep one.

The parasite which causes gid in sheep somewhat resembles the hydatid worm. A dog allowed to eat the brain of a giddy sheep may swallow this parasite and later distribute the eggs of the resulting tapeworm over the pasture. Sheep while grazing swallow the eggs with the grass which they eat. In the case of sheep dogs it is important to administer vermifuges often enough to keep them free of these worms. In the case of sheep measles, the bladder worm in the meat, typical of this disease, is swallowed by the dog and again the tapeworm eggs are passed by the dog to grass or water, and thy are eaten by the sheep.

Of the external parasites which dogs may carry to animals, fleas and the various kinds of ticks are both troublesome and dangerous. The remedy is clear. The owner must keep his dog clean, not merely for the comfort and happiness of the dog, but to prevent it from becoming a carrier of disagreeable and dangerous vermin.

These reasonable measures, important to the stock on the farm, have a direct connection with the health of the family. Where ringworm or other skin diseases break out among the children, or the worm parasites develop, it is well to determine whether a dirty or uncared-for dog may not be carrying infection on his skin or hair, or be conveying disease from carrion directly to the food and persons of his friends. Even if no one is infected with disease, the folly of allowing a dog to remain dirty and have the freedom of a home where personal cleanliness and hygiene are respected is apparent.

NOTES GATHERED HERE AND THERE.

Philip Sousa, the famous bandmaster, is also an enthusiastic sportsman and trapshooter, and when his official duties permit he spends much time with his gun in the field and at the trap, where he finds much mental relaxation and also much healthful recreation. Mr. Sousa owns a 2,000-acre game preserve in North Carolina, and on this he spends a great deal of time during the open shooting season. "When out with my gun," says Mr. Sousa, "I completely relax, mentally and physically. There is always sufficient excitement and anticipation connected with field shooting to cause me to forget all business cares and enjoy life, and then the study of game and its habits is most interesting."

The recent heavy snowstorm—one of the worst in years—in New York, New Jersey and other Eastern states, has, it is feared, killed by strvation many game birds as well as deer and other game. The snow fell to such a depth in many localities that it was days before the farmers could make the roads passable. In some instances the farmers could only get out to feed their stock by digging a passageway through the heavy drifts.

Berks County, Pennsylvania, had 7,660 licensed hunters this year, and it is estimated that between 38,000 and 40,000 rabbits were killed in that county this season during the month of November, many gunners shooting the bag limit of ten rabbits in one day. There was no snowfall in that section of the country in November, or the number would probably have been larger. Most of the hunting was done in the cornfields, which seemed to be a favorite rendezvous for the bunnies. Most of the hunters think that if the open season on rabbits was from two to four weeks later than it now is, much better sport could be had. According to the present game law of the Keystone State rabbits cannot be marketed, so the number killed this year were not killed for profit.

As a part of his plan to instruct the New York police force in methods of warfare, Police Commissioner Woods announced that he has begun the organization of a rifle club to be known as "The Police Department Rifle Club of the City of New York." The federal government has notified him that 500 army rifles will be furnished by the War Department.

Interest in the sport of bait and fly casting is steadily increasing in the Northwest. Seattle, Wash., is now organizing a casting club and expects to be in the field next year. The Tacoma organization is in a most flourishing condition and is planning for an increased activity next season. The Portland, Ore., club has announced its intention of holding a big casting tournament next year. This will probably be known as the Pacific Coast Tournament and will be held early in August, or prior to the international tournament at Newark. The Tacoma club may also hold a tournament.

Reports from Grass Valley are to the effect that hundreds of wild pigeons have been seen there this fall. These birds are now fully protected by law and it is illegal to kill them. Years ago they were very numerous, but the slaughter was so great that it became necessary for the State Fish and Game Commission to prohibit their killing altogether in order to save them from the fate of the passenger pigeon, now declared to be extinct.

The wild pigeons that frequented California are migratory birds. They come from the north in the fall of each year in great flocks. In years gone by when they were very numerous it was nothing to see several thousand in one flock. They seek foothill locations, seldom coming down below an elevation of 1,500 feet.

It is quite evident that, under the protection now given them, they will become numerous once again and will be one of California's best game birds at some future date, when it will be permissible to kill them in small numbers.

Trappers coming into Chico from the Sacramento river bottoms west of the city report an unusually successful season. The catches of small fur-bearing animals have been good and the prices are high. They say the center of the world's fur market now is in St. Louis, instead of London.

Word was received last week from F. C. Hammond, who is prospecting in southern Monterey county, that he killed a big grizzly bear last week. Mr. Hammond was working his way slowly through a thicket, when he suddenly heard an ominous growl, and he found himself staring a big bear in the face. The bear reared on his haunches with a snarl and Hammond promptly shot him with his rifle. The animal was only about fifteen feet away when discovered by the hunter.

PATTBERG HIGH GUN AT SHELL MOUND.

George A. Pattberg scored 225, 231, 232 and 236 in the monthly rifle competition o fthe Golden Gate Rifle and Pistol Club at Shell Mound Park on Sunday. Pattberg's score of 236 is better by two points than the highest score made in 1915.

The clubs practicing on the Shell Mound range were represented by their best talent, and only expert marksmen recorded good scores. Following were the best scores of the day:

Golden Gate Rifle and Pistol Club's monthly medal shoot—George A. Pattberg 225, 231, 232, 236; Ben Jonas, 223; E. Schierbaum, 208, 206, 216, 206; M. W. Hoousner, 218, 221, 227; K. O. Kindgren, 215; W. F. Blasse, 226; Martin Blasse, 213; E. W. Helm, 227.

Golden Gate Rifle and Pistol Club's pistol scores—Dr. R. A. Summers, 80, 80; C. T. Sisson, 84; C. W. Whaley, 86, 89, 86; E. W. Helm, 65, 69, 83; W. C. Pritchard, 90, 94, 92, 91, 94; C. W. Randall, 96, 93.

Swiss Rifle Club's monthly medal shoot—John Frei, 216, 211; F. Muehlebach, 215, 213; Charles Ott, 210, 191; H. Perrin, 208, 207; A. Schwarz, 206, 205; J. A. Sutter, 204, 181; J. R. Stalder, 200, 198; L. Hauser, 194, 191; Charles Bachmann, 194; Henry Tschopp, 185, 187.

Swiss Rifle Club's monthly bullseye shoot—J. R. Stalder, 265; John S. Lutenegger, 340; H. Tschopp, 732; L. Hauser, 960; A. E. Hintermann, 1072; J. A. Sutter, 1140; H. Perrin, 1227; C. Bachmann, 1320; A. von Weyl, 1342; J. Iten, 1400; Charles Ott, 1412; F. Muehlebach, 1450; John Frei, 1500; A. Schwarz, 1045.

Norddeutscher Schuetzen Club's monthly medal shoot—E. Schierbaum, 211, 205; G. W. Dieckmann, 208; August Westphal, 208, 202, 186; P. F. Rathjens, 201, 199; John de Wit, 197, 194, 186.

Independent Rifles' monthly medal shoot, best scores of the day—M. Andressen, 60; P. Schong, 59; Major B. Hilken, 59; Lieutenant J. Siebe, 44; Sergeant R. H. Hilken, 48; H. Marzolf, 49; J. Westergard, 45; E. Abraham, 49; Sergeant L. Mayer, 39; C. Edel, 37; J. M. Hansen, 44; Lieutenant P. Volkman, 38; Corporal J. Meinke, 36; J. Steiger, 38; H. Schlichtmann Jr., 33.

Company A, Irish Volunteers, monthly medal shoot—Captain J. F. Waters, 90; William Gaul, 92; M. Gaul, 84; T. Moynihan, 78; B. Reilly, 65; J. F. McArdle, 51; Frank Dugan, 89; D. Harnedy, 21.

HOW WAR AFFECTS BIRDS.

The tumult of arms and the noise of artillery do not make the same impression on all kinds of birds. Whereas some do not seem at all exercised nor affected, others are terrified and take flight, so says a writer in L'Ami des Animaux, Geneva, from which we have translated the following:

In the north of France, in the midst of the horrors of battles, blackbirds stay in the bushes or hedges, practising the strictest neutrality. The lark delights the combatants with his morning song. A pair of swallows made their nest in the heart of the trenches, where, due to the humanity of the soldiers, they were not allowed to want for anything. The starling and the gray bunting have no fear of the war. On the contrary, the yellow bunting, the titmouse, the chaffinch, and the goldfinch, have almost entirely disappeared. The partridges and the buzzards fly with all the strength of their wings to escape bombs and bullets.

England has become a place of refuge, a sort of terrestrial paradise for these fugitive birds. But there also they may be reached at times by the flying projectiles.

THE FARM

FEED AND CARE OF THE DAIRY HEIFER.

Although the first few months of the heifer's life are the most critical period of her existence, many calves are stunted, due to lack of attention after being weaned.

It is a rather common practice to have cows calve in the spring, yet this is not usually the best time. It is a fact that a calf born in the fall will get a better start in life than one born in the spring.

It makes little difference in the rate of growth of a calf whether it has pasture or has only dry feed in connection with its milk. But after weaning time the calf that has pasture will make by far the cheaper and more rapid growth. A fall calf will also be ready for breeding so that it will drop its own calf in the fall at the age of two years.

Until a calf is weaned it receives a liberal allowance of protein in its milk, but when milk is removed from the ration it is necessary to supply protein in some other form, such as legume hay or a high protein concentrate. It is advisable to keep the heifer in a thrifty, growing condition, although there is no need of fattening her. However, if she does not become rather plump it will not injure her dairy qualities.

If fed so as to produce a thrifty growth, yet not produce fat, dairy heifers will gain on an average close to one pound daily from the age of six months up to two years, or calving time.

For heifers from six to twelve months old the following rations will give good results:

Ration 1.—About two pounds daily of a mixture of seventy-five pounds corn chop and twenty-five pounds bran; all the alfalfa hay the heifer will eat.

Ration 2.—Six to ten pounds silage; about two pounds daily of a grain mixture of forty pounds corn chop, forty pounds linseed meal or cottonseed meal, and twenty pounds bran; all the alfalfa hay the heifer will eat.

For heifers ont to two years old the following rations are finely adapted:

Ration 1.—About three pounds of corn daily; all the alfalfa hay the heifer will eat.

Ration 2.—Corn silage, twelve to 20 pounds; about three pounds daily of a grain mixture of equal parts corn chop, bran and linseed meal or cottonseed meal; all the alfalfa hay the heifer will eat.

The proper age at which to breed a heifer will depend very largely upon the size and thrift of the animal, as well as upon the breed.—Bulletin Nebraska Experiment Station.

LIVESTOCK MEN TO MEET.

President Dwight B. Head of the American National Livestock Association has made a call for the 19th annual convention to be held at El Paso, Texas, January 25, 26 and 27, 1916, the convention to be called to order at 10 o'clock Tuesday, January 25; morning sessions only.

Many subjects will be discussed at this meeting, among them being the following:

Federal control of public grazing lands; the 640-acre grazing homestead bill; administration of forest reserves; eradication of poisonous plants; marketing of livestock and its products; delays at terminals; stockyard facilities; financing livestock loans; valuations in railroad livestock contracts; charge for cleaning and disinfecting cars; railroad rates and services; recent cases before the Interstate Commerce Commission; suppression of the foot and mouth and other infectious diseases; sanitary regulations of different states; prohibition of the importation of livestock and animal products from countries where contagious diseases exist; inspection of meats and hides from Mexico; protection of American livestock owners and ranchmen in Mexico; livestock conditions in foreign countries; destruction of predatory animals; exports and imports of livestock and meats; meat-inspection law; prohibitive tax on oleomargarine; needed legislation; reports of officers and standing committees.

Prominent cattlemen will be present to take part in the meeting. An interesting program will be prepared, but free and open discussion on all subjects in which stockmen are interested will be welcomed. Representatives of the Bureau of Animal Industry and the United States Forest Service will be present.

WHAT FARM IMPLEMENTS HAVE DONE.

The influence of the plow on production is remarkable. It is said that man and the plow have been developed side by side. And it is a question whether the plow has not had more to do with man's development than any other agent with which he has been asociated. The story of agriculture is intimately associated with the development of farm implements. And the manner in which improved implements have increased production, afforded more time for education and recreation will never fully be known, nor can it be duly appreciated.

The nation that grows and increases in population, in wealth and in human intelligence must have an abundance of food. That economy requires that most of the food necessary to the support of the people be produced at home will not be questioned. The danger, the distress and the enormous expense of providing food for a people cut off on account of war is now evident to those who read the horrors caused by the present conflict of arms in Europe.

Primitive peoples existed, conquered or were overcome according to the food supply. The Gauls were a mighty people largely because they were producers. Pliny the elder tells us the reason. He describes their fields and gives a description of the implements they used. The Indians had vast acreage over which to roam. The number was not more than 400,000 people, yet they were not able to subsist and increase in population because of their crude way of tilling the soil to procure food, as the hunting and fishing failed. Only those tribes that were skilled in tilling the soil and which learned to use farm implements have met the new conditions of civilization.

A noticeable change in the length of the working day has been made since the use of improved implements has become general. Harvest was oncea very laborious task that required heavy physical strain from early dawn till dusk. Now the header or the binder finishes the work in a very short time and the men are released for other work. Formerly as much as 16 hours a day was spent in the field, but now even in harvest time the working day is seldom longer than 10 hours.

Farm laborers were afraid that improved implements would reduce wages, but the contrary was the result. According to McMaster in 1794, in the state of Pennsylvania, the wages of the common laborer was not more than $3 per month, and "in Vermont good men were employed for 18 pounds sterling a year." In 1849 wages did not exceed $120 a year. Now farm laborers are sought and they are offered two, three and even five times such prices. This is not the case in some countries where hand labor is general, Asia for instance. There men work from early morning till late at night for 14 cents a day. Women receive from nine to ten cents a day and children from seven to eight cents a day in some of these countries.

The cost of production on our American farms has decreased, although labor is paid better than ever before. This is largely the result of better implements and machines. According to the 13th census it required three hours and three minutes to produce a bushel of wheat under hand labor methods; now it takes but nine minutes and 58 seconds with improved implements and machines. The cost was 20 cents a bushel in 1829 and 1830 when produced by hand; in 1895 and 1896 a bushel of wheat cost but 10 cents. It required 11 hours of man labor to cut and cure a ton of hay in 1895; a few years ago it required one hour and 39 minutes with machinery. The cost of a ton of hay was thus reduced from 83 1-3 cents to 16¼ cents.

Machinery has improved the qutlity of farm products. It was once necessary to begin harvest before crops were ripe; now it takes but a few days, hence the quality of the product is greatly improved under present methods. Grain is cleaner, purer and heavier than when tramped out with animals or when beaten out with a flail.

It is not too much to say that the manufacture and use of improved farm machinery is very greatly responsible for the growth and value of agriculture in this country. This is a nation of farmers and of farm products. Farm implements have relieved the laborer of much drudgery; made his work and his hours of service shorter; stimulated his mental faculties; given an equilibrium of effort to mind and body; made the laborer a more efficient producer, a broader man and a better citizen.—From Farm and Ranch.

TRANSPLANTING PREPARATIONS.

Early preparation of the orchard land for transplanting will be highly desirable for best results with the home orchard. It will be easier to transplant, there will be less likelihood of loss in trees and the trees will begin growth under better circumstances if early preparations be made.

The mistake should not be made of waiting till time to transplant, then stake off, dig the holes in the grand ground, then hurriedly transplant with a view of breaking between the trees later. This plan has been followed too often and always means poor preparation, unnecessary work in setting the trees and poor growth the first year.

The change that takes place with the transplanting of the tree and its adaptation to its new condition is considerable. A young tree taken from the nursery row, trimmed and set in the orchard needs the best possible preparation of the soil so it may callous the roots, send out fine root hairs to take hold of the soil and begin to nourish the tissues of the tree.

The work of transplanting will be very little when the soil is prepared properly. It doesn't take much time nor labor to dig holes and set a tree in soft mellow land that has been prepared for trees.

No one knows what the weather will be in the spring. We sometimes have drouth. A good way to store up soil moisture is to break the soil as early as possible, pulverize it as well as it can be done with the harrow, the disc, etc., and then make the best possible use of rains that fall early.

One need not wait till spring to transplant fruit and shade trees, shrubs, etc. They can be transplanted most any time in winter here in the west. In fact, they are more likely to live and begin growth under proper conditions when transplanted early than if left till spring.

FOOD SUPPLY OF THE FARM HOME.

Much public interest has been excited by the recent announcement of the United States Public Health Service, to the effect that the development of the disease known as pellagra in human beings depends on faulty diet. Among the suggestions of the Public Health Service for the modification of diet to prevent the development of pellagra are a number of items which emphasize the importance of the campaign of the department and the State Agricultural Colleges to increase the production of food supplies on the farm, especially to bring about a home supply of meat, eggs, milk, and butter.

Among other specific recommendations of the Public Health Service are:—

(a) The ownership of a milk cow; an increase of milk production for home consumption.

(b) Poultry and egg raising for home consumption.

(c) Stock raising.

(d) Diversification and cultivation of food crops.

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There is very little available land about the shores of San Francisco Bay that is desirable for homes, especially for those who love boating and kindred sports. The Alameda and Contra Costa shores of the bay are the lee shores and receive the full brunt of the boisterous trade winds which lash the shoal waters near the land into muddy waves, making boating both unpleasant and dangerous. To the north of the city and in Marin County the land from Sausalito to the entrance of the bay is a Government reservation and will never be placed on the market. The shores of Richardson's Bay are not at present convenient to boat service and, aside from Belvedere and Corinthian Island, there is little or no land near any ferry landing that possesses the natural advantages, improvements and possibilities that are offered on Corinthian Island. Concrete roads, pure water, telephone service and electric light wires are already installed. It is only ten minutes' walk from any point on the property to Tiburon boats, and but forty-three minutes' ride to the foot of Market Street.

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Hundreds of dry land farmers stand in their yards after every spring and summer rain and watch increased hay and pasture yields go swirling down every creek and coulee in the shape of the waste of flood water. Water in a country of limited rainfall is the most important agricultural factor. Yet thousands of dollars' worth of it is allowed to go to waste each season through negligence in conserving it.

This flood water is and can be used by dry land farmers in two ways. The easiest and cheapest, though not the best, method of getting dollars out of this waste is by catching the flood water as it runs down the coulee and spreading it over the hay and pasture areas by means of a small dam and ditches. A small earthen dam should be built in the coulee at a point higher than the highest spot in the field which is to be flooded. Not less than one inch of fall for every 100 feet of ditch should be allowed.

In determining the site for the dam, levels should be run from the highest point in the field to a point high enough up the coulee or creek so that the ditch connecting the two will have sufficient fall to carry the water. If it is not practical to put the dam as high up as this the best site should be first determined, then the ditches run out on one or both sides of the coulee to best advantage. If a level or transit is not available a ditcher's triangle or carpenter's level and board can be made on the farm and used with reasonable accuracy.

In most cases these ditches can be dug with the plow, and home made ditch slips, or by means of a small road grader to be pulled by four or six horses. The ditch above the land to be flooded should be wide and shallow, the size depending on its length and the amount of water to be handled. Below the ditch, furrows and smaller lateral ditches following the contour of the land will be of great assistance in handling the flood water. In fields of gentle, even slope these will not be needed, provided the slope is long enough to handle all the water without waste.

The best practice is for the owner to build his main ditches and then observe carefully the manner in which the water spreads over the ground after it leaves the ditch. He will find that he can improve the overflow from the ditch by deepening it in places and perhaps by building check dams in it, if it is not spreading the water evenly. Then by watching the water as it spreads across the field, he will find that a few furrows or shallow ditches will spread it more evenly and assist in holding it on the land for a greater period of time. In some sections under more favorable conditions a definite system similar to terraces could be worked out to advantage.

Flood water can be used in this way on hay and pasture fields, but it is not generally advisable on grain and cultivated fields. The water and silt are hard to control, are apt to cause lodging and uneven growth and ripening. There is also danger of washing. When used on alfalfa and hay fields care should be taken that the field is not flooded when the hay is heavy or after it is cut. At this time the ditches should be closed and the water directed down the coulee.

The experience of a number of farmers who are using flood water in this way is that alfalfa fields will yield a good ton more to the acre, that smaller but good gains can be expected on other meadow, and that the pastures will double in feeding value.

The best results are obtained by spreading the water slowly over a small area and holding it as long as possible on it, rather than letting it run hit and miss over a large area.—Geo. E. Piper in Agricultural Age.

ASHES VALUABLE AS FERTILIZER.

The farmer who burns wood for heating and cooking should carefully store the ashes, and not permit them to leach, as they have a peculiar fertilizing value. They not only contain potash and phosphoric acid in appreciable amounts, but also contain magnesia and lime, and when applied to the land they also act indirectly to increase the available nitrogen content of organic matter in the soil.

Ordinary house ashes contain on the average about 8 or 9 per cent of potash and 2 per cent of phosphoric acid. Investigators have considered that there is enough potash and phosphoric acid in a bushel of ashes to make it worth 20 or 25 cents. Besides that, some 10 or 15 cents additional might be allowed for the "alkali power" of the ashes. This power is that which enables ashes to rot weeds and to ferment peat. The potash content of ashes will be lost if they are permitted to leach, and care should be taken to store them in a dry place.

FARM HANDICRAFT CLUB.

To encourage boys and girls, especially those in the country, to spend their spare moments during the fall and winter months usefully, the department's directors of juvenile club work in the North and West, working in co-operation with the State colleges of agriculture, have developed plans for boys and girls. The purpose of these clubs is two-fold: First, to maintain interest in the agricultural club during the season when active work in the field and garden is suspended, and, second, to develop manual skill in members through practical work that readily may be correlated by teachers with the manual-training work of the school as well as with the agriculture of the farm and the domestic activities of the home.

The work is so planned as to be capable of extension throughout the year. While effort will be directed primarily toward interesting members of the agricultural and home economic clubs in these activities, membership is to be open to children 10 to 18 years of age.

These clubs will be directed much as are the corn clubs, girls' gardening clubs, canning clubs, and other organizations aimed to give skill and experience in raising crops or animals or in utilizing by-products of the farm. The leaders of the clubs will supply the members with specially prepared circulars of direction, in which are to be included working drawings and lists of materials for accomplishing the different projects.

The clubs, while directly vocational also will be designed to minister somewhat to the winter social needs of children and will provide for exhibits and even for contests. Members will be encouraged to select and carry through during the year 10 or what might be called the handicraft units suggested in the list below. This list, designed for the guidance of the directors of these special clubs, and of teachers, offers valuable suggestions also to parents who wish to plan useful activities for their children, and should be found suggestive by those concerned with the development of almost any type of organized work for the amusement and improvement of rural children.

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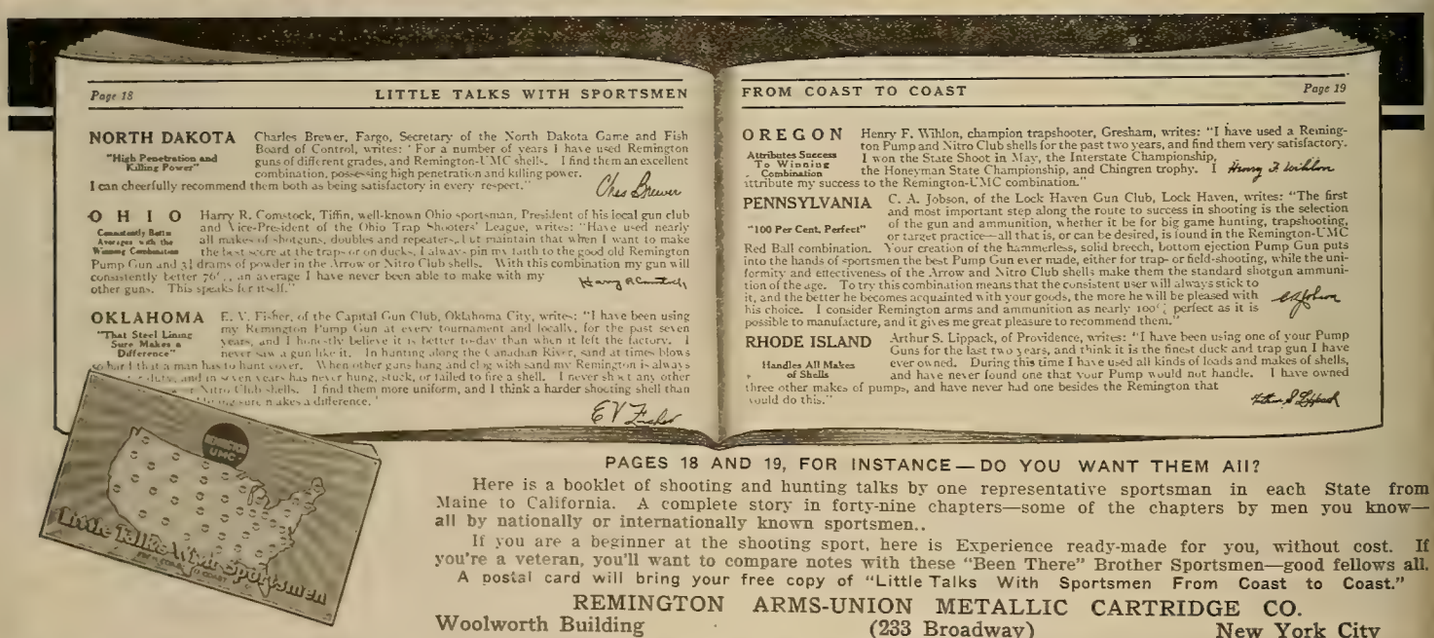
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REATER LOVE HATH NO MAN THAN THIS."

Down in the heart of the Potrero, the name by hich is known the major portion of the industrial d manufacturing settlement of San Francisco's eat south side, there lived until a few days ago a laint little wisp of a man in whose heart were stilled in generous quantities true attributes of eatness and nobility. Who he was or whence he me was known to none, but some mother bore m, and loved him, and taught him well in childood; to what heights he had at some time attained aspired cannot be said, and the years, in their ssing, had robbed him not only of physical strength d mental power but had stripped him of identity well. For years he had lived in a tumble-down tle shack and eked out a precarious existence at d jobs at whitewashing, owning a rickety cart and equally rickety mule, sharing, with the latter, such elter as he possessed. To the community at large was known only as Old Jimmy Allaround, and his ule as Jimmy Whiskers.

Day in and day out, uncomplaining and uncomained against, the decrepit old-time partners waged unequal battle against the world around them. most people theirs would seem an existence of ualid misery, but such is far from being true, for to the depths where they made their daily rounds ere pierced a warm and cheering ray that made e beautiful—the ray of love and human kindliness. ily when their work was done, or on the many, any days when there was no work for them to do, ere assembled to worship at their shrine the chilen of the neighborhood. These brought with them ferings of potato peelings, and apple cores, and rnip and carrot scraps, and such things dear to the opetite of any normal mule, and while Jimmy Whisers contentedly munched these tidbits and stood by ith drooping ears and drowsy eyes, Old Jimmy Allround took the children with him to another world, e world of the fairies where all is bright and cheery d where the drudgeries and miseries of human life ay not intrude. Wondrous were the tales he told ese fascinated listeners, and more wondrous were e "conjur" tricks performed before their very eyes, reatest of evidence that their old friend was truly league with the "little people," and hence far more an mortal man.

So the two Jimmies grew old and yet older toether, the human Jimmy caring for his humble artner and servant with pitiable, but beautiful, solicude. At last, not many nights ago, there came a orm of unusual severity, and the wind whistled rough the cracks of the old shack and the cold in beat down in torrents that neither roof nor wall ould turn aside, and Old Jimmy Allaround, in dire istress lest Jimmy Whiskers might come to harm, rose from his bunk and tied around the body of his omrade, snug as could be, the only bit of bedlothing that the pair possessed, a tattered quilt. hen down again he laid his own weazened, unprocted old body, and as he dodged the invading eleents as best he might his heart grew warm at the ought of Jimmy Whiskers, snug and sheltered, hile the cold crept deeper and deeper into the very arrow of his own bones and the storm grew fiercer nd fiercer.

Many hours afterward, when the storm had passed nd the sun had come to brighten the world again, ame some children to see how their old friends had eathered the gale. There in the room they found immy Whiskers, so hungry that he had gnawed the acks of a couple of rickety chairs, but still alive and ith the comfort still wrapped securely about him—but the spirit of Old Jimmy Allaround had flown; and because the latter was beyond the reach of human ministrations, they took Jimmy Whiskers and treated him to a banquet such as he had seldom known.

Somehow, I don't like to say to myself that Old Jimmy Allaround died of cold and exposure. Heaven and hell and God don't play very big parts in the horse business, I know, but there must be a God, and there may be a hell, and there has to be a heaven, or else what would become of the sweet spirits of all the myriad mothers of men? It seems to me that the Lord and the major angels must have been looking down at the world as it turned below them that stormy night, and when the war-rent portion passed before them their faces must have been sad and worn; perhaps they brightened when peaceful America came beneath their eyes, though they must have regretted the wild scramble that so many of us are making to get rich at the expense of the other side of the world; I like to think that when Old Jimmy Allaround's shack came into view the worn looks passed away entirely, and only love and compassion shone out. It seems to me that they must all have smiled and conferred for a moment in lowered, loving tones, and then the Lord must just have reached down a kindly hand and beckoned for Old Jimmy Allaround to come up with him—and Jimmy, without pain or suffering or travail of body or spirit just answered the call and went "home."

That's the way I like to think of it—don't you?

EXCELLENT OUTLOOK FOR DRAFT HORSES.

There is no keener student of the draft horse situation in the United States than Secretary Wayne Dinsmore of the Percheron Society of America, and trade reviews emanating from that office over his signature may safely be accorded the greatest consideration and respect, as they invariably prove to be plain statements of fact based upon authentic information of a very comprehensive nature. In view of the approaching second annual sale of the California Draft Horse Breeders' Association, to be held on Wednesday, February second, at the University Farm at Davis, we were just preparing a little sketch of what the future holds in store for the producer of horses of this class when a letter from Mr. Dinsmore came to hand, containing a review of the situation and some of the "whys" of the draft horse business; the whole matter is so much to the point that we take a great deal of pleasure in reproducing the same herewith, with thanks to the writer. Before beginning the perusal of Mr. Dinsmore's welcome contribution, allow us to remind you of the benefits accruing to California draft horse breeders from the extensive patronage of this sale, of which E. W. Westgate, Rio Vista, is the secretary, the same having been emphasized in previous notes on this page. Make your entries early, in order to allow proper time for advertising and cataloging, and then see that your stuff goes to the sale ring in the pink of condition. Now for Mr. Dinsmore's summing up of the situation:

1916 ushers in what promises to be one of the most favorable seasons horse breeders have ever faced. Draft horse producers have especial reason to feel optimistic. The marked improvement in the industrial world has brought transportation facilities again into active service and all transportation agencies,—railroads, motors, and teams,—are being used more freely than for two years past. Draft geldings have been in good demand at higher prices, and the farm demand for useful draft mares is already so strong that horse dealers are being eliminated as buyers of good draft mares.

Pure bred draft horses are also in keen demand. The elimination of imports since August 1914 have resulted in a marked stimulus to horse breeding in this country, and more satisfactory prices have been paid to the breeders and raisers of good American bred draft colts than at any time in our past history.

The total number of horses on farms, April 1st, 1910, was 19,833,113 head, and the Government estimates for Jan. 1st, 1915, credited this country with 21,195,000 head—an increase of 6.86% over 1910.

The fifteen states on which we have definite data as to stallions in service are Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, Wisconsin, Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Michigan, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, California, Washington, Oregon and Montana. These states had, January 1st, 1915, a total of approximately 11,085,352 horses, assuming the same rate of increase for these states as for the United States as a whole. They also had, according to the latest available Stallion Board reports, 47,697 stallions, all told, in service, 23,671 of which were pure bred draft stallions.

If this proportion holds good throughout the United States, it would give us a total of 91,357 stallions in service, approximately half of which could be classed as pure bred drafters. As a matter of fact, however, the number is probably somewhat less, as all the important horse producing states, except Indiana, Ohio and Texas, are included in our figures and the proportion of stallions in use in other states is unquestionably lower, as less attention is given there to horse production. Assuming, for the sake of argument, that these percentages hold good, however, we have about 40,000 pure bred draft stallions and approximately the same number of stallions of other kinds, most of which are grades and mongrels. Any well informed horse breeder will admit that at least ten per cent of the stallions in service are annually being retired because of age, death, unsoundness, or other cause, and it therefore follows that about 8,000 stallions are annually being retired from the breeding ranks. To make good on wastage alone, therefore, we must replace 4,,000 pure bred draft stallions annually, and as the other stallions, grade and otherwise, should for the most part be replaced by pure bred draft sires, we actually need around seven thousand good draft sires annually to fill the places of horses dropping out of service.

During the fiscal years of the various draft horse record associations ending in 1915, approximately 12,000 American bred draft horses were recorded. This includes both sexes and all ages of Percherons, Clydesdales, Belgians, Shires, French Draft and Suffolks. Less than half of these were stallions, so that we are producing annually now less than 6,000 draft stallions. It is recognized by all horsemen that at least one-fifth of the stallions that are recorded are not good enough to be of any real service in improving the draft horse stock of the country. It therefore follows that we are really producing less than five thousand good pure bred draft sires annually, when we need at least 7,000 per year, at the lowest calculation.

Aside from the foregoing considerations, there are other factors which augur well for the draft horse industry. High priced land and labor have led our farmers to study methods of reducing costs in farm work. The advantages draft horses have over light horses in farm work are numerous. The tractive power horses can exert is governed by weight, strength and temperament. Under extraordinary pressure horses can exert from four to six horse power, but under conditions of daily work exert a pull which is about one-tenth of their working weight. The horse power traction required to move farm implements depends on the soil, climatic conditions, and the condition of implements used. Under favorable conditions five draft horses weighing 1600 pounds or over will pull a two plow gang of 14 inch plows a little more than twenty miles, averaging from five to five and a half acres per day. It will take seven horses that weigh from 1100 to 1300 pounds to do the same work, and it is not practicable to work seven horses on one gang plow with the ordinary class of farm labor. It will therefore require two men on single plows, one with four and the other with three light horses, to do the same amount of work that one man will do with five draft horses. The same general ruling applies in seeding, discing and harvesting, for while one man can readily handle five draft horses on the implements needed, he cannot advantageously nor safely use enough more light horses to give his equivalent power. The use of draft horses therefore increases the amount of work one man can do in the field; and in actual practice the work is better done when drafters are used. When to this we add the fact that less barn room is needed, and less labor required in handling the heavy horses, than is necessary where enough more light horses are used to make up equivalent power, the advantage becomes marked.

Besides this, the heavy horses sell more readily and at higher prices, when surplus is to be sold. Light weight horses have been bought at prices ranging from $110 to $150, while draft horses have brought from $200 to $300 each. This is an important factor, for every well managed farm has a few surplus horses to sell annually, and the readier the sale, and higher prices realized for draft stock, are factors which must appeal strongly to all thinking farmers. Maximum cash returns are what we are all interested in, and this we obtain from drafters used in farm work.

These are facts which thinking farmers will ponder well. Horse buyers have scoured the United States as never before. More than half a million horses and over one hundred thousand mules have gone for war purposes. Demands from abroad will continue as long as the war lasts, and will be strong for years afterward, for the battling nations must call on us for horses for industrial purposes. Country sales already reflect the feeling of conservative farmers, who are reported good buyers at strong prices, on first class mares weighing 1600 pounds or over, whether grade or pure bred.

The recent cable from President Aveline, Percheron Society of France, that the Government there has agreed to allow the exportation of two hundred stallions, foaled in 1912 or earlier, only serves to emphasize the extent to which war has curtailed supplies abroad.

Good blood and liberal feeding will pay better in draft horses than in any other class of stock, always providing that a man buys no more mares than he needs in his farm operations, and exercises good management—essential to success in any line.

A Visit with the Los Angeles Horsemen

CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK

Last week we took the readers of the Breeder and Sportsman with us and paid a visit to the stables of a number of the trainers who are wintering at Exposition Park at Los Angeles, but night and the limitations of space overtook us before we had much more than gotten half way around the place, so we will start in again this morning and see if we can "do" the balance of the sights.

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J. W. Cooper, who handled the Borden horses up in the San Francisco neighborhood a few seasons ago, is stabled in the barn next to the grandstand, handling mostly matinee horses belonging to local drivers and breaking some youngsters for L. J. Christopher. The four-year-old bay mare Caroline Holt, owned by Frank Orr, has been worked only about six weeks but she has a nice way of trotting and looks like a good prospect, having learned even in this short time to trot in 2:35 with quarters in :36. She is by Beirne Holt 2:11¼, the son of Cochato that Fred Ward developed and sold to good advantage a few years back, and her dam is a daughter of McKinney. W. L. Thomas has a pretty nifty matinee pacer in the Cooper Stable, the black horse Zomack by Zolock out of a Zombro mare. He is a husky, rugged fellow and has a fun record of 2:16, while he has turned quarters at the 1:56 gait.

Reminiscent of the short grass country is the pedigree of the big fellow that heads the Christopher stable—the black gelding Alaca by Symboleer 2:09½, out of a mare by Young Joe 2:18. As might be gathered from the tone of his pedigree, Alaca is a side-wheeler and has a matinee mark of the 2:10 variety, while last season he worked the Los Angeles track in 2:08¼ with quarters in thirty seconds. Cooper has just recently taken him up again and he is in nice shape to get ready for another whirl with the boys. Before being gelded, Alaca was bred to a few mares, and two of the Christopher youngsters are by him, from mares by Redlac and Direcho respectively, while the third of the trio of two-year-olds that Cooper is just starting to break is a filly by Carlokin out of a James Madison dam.

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L. G. ("Lou") Baker, the former Illinois trainer who has made his home in California for the last year or so, has the south end of the stable along with Mr. Cooper and has his horses nicely quartered in freshly whitewashed stalls, with half screened doors and other similar little "kinks" that add to the attractiveness and serviceableness of a stable. At the time of my visit Lou had but one aged horse in the barn, the good trotter F. S. Whitney 2:09¾ (by F. S. Turner 2:24 and out of the great brood mare By Guy by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼), the lad that raced so well two years ago for Will Durfee. He is still owned by Sutherland and McKenzie of Orosi, and while not raced last season owing to the scarcity of fairs and meetings locally, he will be prepped for another campaign this year. He is taking his light work very nicely, and has made a very attractive horse. Two two-year-olds are getting their early lessons at Baker's hands, a trotting colt by Junior Dan Patch 2:05½, dam by Moses S. 2:19½, that is up to a three-minute gait at present, and a black pacing colt by Six Bells, dam by Zolock and grandam by Nutwood, that has had very little done with him but paced an eighth in eighteen seconds when but two weeks off pasture.

W. A. McKibben has a very promising baby pacer that Baker expects to begin handling in the near future, the two-year-old black filly Leta Patch by Junior Dan Patch out of Baby Wilkes by Roy Wilkes, and a couple of older mares have probably been added to the stable since my visit, as Lou was expecting them at any time. One is the mare Maggie N., that trotted last season for W. R. Murphy in 2:13¼, with halves in 1:05½, owned by C. H. Morgan, at present one of the city officials of Los Angeles, and the other is a five-year-old with less education, owned by the Los Angeles lumberman, Schepp. Both are daughters of W. G. Durfee's great son of McKinney, Carlokin 2:07½, Maggie N. being out of the dam of Bystander 2:07¼ while the Schepp mare is out of Lady Vasto (dam of Carsto (2) 2:22½) by Vasto. She was not trained last season but was handled a bit as a three-year-old and developed to a mile in 2:40.

Last season Lou developed what he believes to be one of the best green trotters in the west, the five-year-old stallion Zomrect by Zombro 2:11, out of Lilly S. trial 2:16 (dam of King Lilly Pointer 2:14, etc.) by Direct 2:05½, grandam Lilly Stanley 2:17½ by Whippleton. This fellow ran out in the hills with a number of other horses of both sexes and various breeds until last January, when Baker, then located at Riverside, took him up and broke him. He was a full five-year-old and had had absolutely nothing done with him, but in Baker's hands soon began to show indications of a desire to keep from trampling on his pedigree and to regulate his performances in accord with his blood lines. In March Lou drove him his first mile in three minutes, followed in the middle of June by his first one in 2:20. A little later on Baker moved to the mile track at Exposition Park, bringing the horse with him, and at the breeders' meeting there on October 19 gave him a time record of 2:12¼. The weather remained favorable for going ahead with the big fellow, and on November 5 he drove him in 2:10½ before letting up on him for the winter. Lou sent him home sound and in the best of shape, and he is now taking things easy at the establishment of his owner, J. J. Fitzgerald of Covina. He looks like a most excellent prospect for the coming season, and Mr. Fitzgerald will doubtless have him trained and raced, perhaps by Baker.

Lou is a sample of the bred in the bone horse lover who cannot stay away from the trotters. Back in the central west he raced those good halfmile track campaigners, Pert 2:10 and Marian 2:16¼, among others, and was for a time at the International 1:55 Farm of M. W. Savage, during the period that Ned McCarr was the major domo of that establishment. Some years ago he quit the trotters for a nice easy "inside" berth as assistant cashier of a suburban bank near Milwaukee, but the confinement was too much for his health and the trotters "kept a-callin'," so back to the trotters he came, with the results that he has regained his health and has no cause to regret his return.

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Charley Parker, with Park Kelley as his right hand man, has only a pair of horses up at present, both trotters and both in nice shape. Alta Mac by Redlac 2:07½, who annexed a record of 2:19½ some time ago, has not been worked much of late but will be gotten ready for 1916, while the other member of the pair has just been let down. This is an eight-year-old bay mare by Limonero 2:15¾ out of Sona 2:16 by McKinney 2:11¼ and under the name of Cima was driven to a record of 2:22 by Park at the recent breeders' meeting of the Los Angeles Harness Horse Association. She is a nicely made mare and as she has fully matured without being knocked out by hard work she may make a fair sort to race this season. Anyway, Charley will probably give both of them a chance to show what they can do later on.

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N. G. Boyd of Long Beach bought a mare some years ago under circumstances that had a rather odd twist to them, the seller of the lady in question refusing, for reasons of his own, to furnish a pedigree with her but assuring Mr. Boyd that she was as well bred as the next one, and while the buyer never did succeed in finding out the true breeding he did convince himself that she was a well bred mare. He mated her with good stallions and the way the offspring have shown him speed is his guarantee that the vendor was not lying to him, as they all have had natural inclinations to make speed. Down at his home at Long Beach Mr. Boyd has two mares out of her, one by Zolock and the other by Zombro, that are both possessed of many excellent qualities, and at Exposition Park he has a pair of her produce in training that have shown their trotting inclinations very plainly. One is a three-year-old brown colt called Ben Beach, and as a two-year-old he negotiated the local course in 2:26½, with halves in 1:11½ and shorter fractional parts of the route at a still brisker gait. He is a nice tempered lad with a good head and an honest way of acting at all times, a son of J. H. Torrey's speed sire Baronteer Todd 2:09¼. The other member of the old mare's family is the black mare June Bug, now seven years old and a well developed trotter. She is a daughter of Zombro, which is self-evident explanation as to the source of a certain portion of her trotting inclinations, and has worked the Los Angeles track in 2:12¾, with halves in 1:04½, quarters in :31½ and eighths in :14½. She can go the route and repeat, too, judging from a recent workout, as one day during the month of December, just passed, Mr. Boyd gave her five heats better than 2:16, four of them below 2:14, which is speed and stamina of an amount sufficient to win quite a bit of money in certain parts of the country.

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Henry Peterson has only three head in his stable at present, but as one of them is a season champion for 1915 and the other two are by the same sire out of good mares, "he should worry." Bon Courage, who was the boss two-year-old trotting gelding of 1913 and the best four-year-old gelding of that gait last season, has put on a little flesh since coming home from the exposition and looks very fit to prepare for a campaign this season. Last year he was not taken in hand until fairly late but made speed very nicely toward the end of the season and was driven to his record by his old trainer and driver, the late Ted Hayes. Here at the exposition everything in the world was against a trotter of his likes and dislikes making any sort of a showing, but he drew down several hundred dollars at that. He was a light made sort as a colt and has not yet matured into a really "husky" fellow, but he had a lot of lick and always had the strength to carry it. He is the kind that a bit of age should benefit greatly, and his most useful season still lies before him, in the writer's estimation. Bon Bell, a year older than the champ, is a brown gelding by Bon McKinney and out of a mighty good mare, School Bell 2:16¼ by Prodigal, School Bell being the dam of Charley McCarty's trotting stallion George Hammett (3) 2:15¼, that trotted the Pleasanton track later in life in 2:08¼, or thereabouts. Contrary to what might at first glance be expected, Bon Bell is a pacer and apparently the making of a pretty handy one, as he trialed for Henry as a four-year-old in 2:13. The third of the Bon McKinneys is a snappy scamp of a yearling belonging to Dr. Dodge. He has not been weaned many weeks and is just beginning to get somewhere near bridle wise, but has reeled off an eighth in twenty-seven seconds at the trot.

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Railey Macey, with about the same bunch of good boys that he brought to the country with him when he came out from Minneapolis last spring, has the ten head composing the International 1:55 Stable in excellent condition, the greater portion of them carrying faster records than those appearing with their names at the time they left home. The Savage stable has had hard luck in great gobs come its way here in California, but no kick has been made by either owner or trainer, as bum luck is all part of the game, to be taken by good sportsmen as it comes. There is an old saying to the effect that the higher the hills are the deeper the valleys will be, so when they once more begin getting a fair break on this luck business, the Savage horses will more than make up for this off season. At that, with all the things they had to buck, the stable might have fared far worse, and as the horses and the men connected with them have made a host of western friends for Dan Patch and the International establishment in general, the journey lacks a whole lot of having been made in vain.

Dazzle Patch 2:09¾, the horse that Ned McCarr always claimed was endowed with all the natural inclinations that make a successful clown or contortionist, has had practically nothing but very light jogging ever since the vets announced last spring that a year's let-up was necessary to get him into shape to train again. No fresh filled jug was ever fuller of vinegar than this fellow, and in a stall or paddock he is always trying some new stunt, being so everlastingly at it that a padded stall is the only thing in which he can be kept with safety. He goes through so many different kinds of acrobatics that it has always been a question as to whether his front fin was injured on the track or in the stall. Sure it is that by nature he is one of the fastest horses ever foaled, and every effort is being made to get him in shape to send for one good record, even if he never stands racing. His record is only 2:09¾, but authentic trials in 2:02½ and one halfmile flight in :56¾ give a pretty fair idea of what is to be expected of him at any time that he gets to the point where Macey says he will do to turn for the word.

Electric Patch (3) 2:09¼ that made such a nice campaign for Macey in the three-year-old classes down in the central west in 1914 and who, save for

ne accident that spilled his driver in the big stake t the fall meeting at the exposition, would certainly ave claimed a part of the big twenty thousand dolar purse, is wintering in excellent shape and should ake a good trotter in his class this season. After Macey was turned out of the sulky at San Francisco he horse trotted on without a break, with one line rrapped in a wheel and locking it, so that he was ot only trotting with a strong pull on one side of is mouth but also dragging the bike—pretty good vidence of real race horse quality. After that he ame on and was barely behind the cash division in oth the following heats, while later in the meeting e trotted a nice race with Peter Scott, Albaloma nd Virginia Barnette, finishing ahead of the star of he Durfee stable in two out of the three heats. He s a horse of a good deal of front action at the trot, nd as he is one of the oiliest gaited pacers imagin.ble when shod for that way of going there has been ome talk of allowing him to turn over to the pace, ut not for the present. He worked the Los Angeles rack last summer in 2:06¾.

The trip to California resulted, among other things, n the development of the fastest member of the Dan 'atch family to this date, the husky bay pacer 'ower Patch 2:03½ who came out with a record of nly 2:09¼. Power has the advantage of the other ast members of the tribe by a matter of nearly two econds, and Macey is very optimistic over the pros- ect for his making a high class race horse, as he as all the natural qualifications that go with "class" n a campaigner. His dam, Effie Powers 2:08¼, was ne of the gamest mares ever raced in this country, nd this one of her sons is a big sturdy fellow, good eaded and sound and right now a good age for hard sage, this being his sixth year. Princess Patch :06¾ is one of the band that failed to take kindly o the change to California for some reason, and ardly developed as much whizz here as she has reviously had back in the central west. She is oing very well, however, and Railey thinks she will e pretty useful where he is going this season, as he will be eligible to about the 2:13 class.

Jean Arion 2:08¾, who is the especial favorite of Harold Savage and who trotted second to Maymack n the amateur free-for-all at the spring meeting for hat clever young teamster, was doing so nicely late in the summer that Macey expected to lower the Arion family record with her, and just as she was about ready for the trip against the watch the season jinx overtook her and she had to be let up on. Whether or not she will be raced this season I am not aware, but she will be bred this spring to Electric Patch, and should make a brood mare of renown. Mary E. Patch, the other trotting mare of the stable, cut her record from 2:17¼ to 2:12¾ at the record meeting in October, and it is probable that she too will join the brood mare ranks, it being the present intention to send her to the Blue Grass to be mated with J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, the son of Bingen whose youngsters have made such rapid strides into the limelight in the past season.

Buzz Patch, who reached out and grabbed a nice new record of 2:09½ for herself some weeks ago, is getting over the extreme nervousness that used to be her greatest fault, and has quieted down to such an extent that the goat who has previously kept her stable company is being "weaned away from her" gradually, and Buzz doesn't seem to mind. Drift Patch and Agnes Patch, both three-year-olds in 1915, now adorn the 2:10 list, the former in flat figures and the filly in time half a second faster, and are a nice pair for their age. Agnes won the three-year-old pace at the spring meeting at the exposition very handily and her subsequent performance shows that she has the speed of that field by several seconds. The last member of the string, the two-year-old filly Judith Patch, now three, of course, has always been my personal favorite of the stable for some reason, and I was pleased to learn that she suffered no lasting ailment as the result of the nail she picked up in her race at the exposition, where she took her first record of 2:25, a mark that she has since reduced to 2:21¼. Nothing but running that spike into her foot prevented her from getting a win race record in her very first start, and if she gets any sort of an even break in the future I believe that she will make a very high class mare. She is a perfect little lady in harness or out and is making a very nice growth, and if there is anything in breeding, individuality and natural inclinations she ought to do. She is the first performer to the credit of Dazzle Patch 2:09¾ and her dam is the fastest daughter of the great pacing sire, Hal B.—Hal Raven 2:03¾.

Macey and his boys have caught the gardening fever from the Durfee outfit and at the time of my visit were getting things well under way to add to the attractiveness of their surroundings by the growing of a big bank of sweet peas and other flowers, a course that might well be followed by every stable at the park. Just where he will race has not been decided, but it will probably be down the Great Western Circuit and at the major western fairs, that being the farm's favorite route. Mr. Savage is expected to pay Los Angeles a visit along in March, and definite plans for the campaign will probably be made at that time.

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While all the Los Angeles colony find plenty to keep their time well occupied, the gentleman who puts up the one original and lifelike imitation of the busy little bee is none other than our old friend William George Durfee—that, is, when he works. Ever since the Pleasanton futurities were raced, Henry Atkinson has had a hard job keeping cases on the boss and getting much work out of him, for at the season's close Will declared himself for a rest, which most people who know him will concede that he had coming to him. The inclement weather that has graced Southern California ever since he and Mrs. Durfee returned home just before Christmas has prolonged the vacation, as speed making has been out of the question, and Will has confined his activities largely to getting things shaped up for the busy time that is coming when the weather settles, while the big stable of horses take their daily exercise at the hands of the capable men that Will always keeps around him. Including the new crop of yearlings there are over forty head of trotters and pacers now stabled in the Durfee stalls, ranging from the embryonic youngsters to the finished product, while the brood mares and stallions under shelter bring the total number close to the fifty mark or perhaps a trifle in excess of it.

While there is a story that goes with practically every horse in the barn, interest right at this moment centers in the little band that will in all probability compose the string that will go across the mountains this summer to try conclusions with the pick of the land on the Grand Circuit, a section of the land that the Durfee horses have not invaded since 1912. Some weeks ago Will announced his intention of making the trip with at least half a dozen of the speediest of his big stable, the six individuals meant being the trotters Virginia Barnette (3) 2:08¼, Esperanza (3) 2:09 and The Lark (4) 2:09½, and the pacers Clara Mac 2:04½, White Sox 2:05¼ and Contention B. (3) 2:10, the latter's Phoenix record of 2:08¼ being lost to him on a technicality. There may be some others to make the trip, but if this half dozen meet with no accident and keep coming as they should they are almost sure to make the journey.

Virginia Barnette, who enjoys the distinction of having been one of the very few trotters that won heats from the redoubtable Peter Scott during the season of 1915, is carrying more flesh than I ever saw on her frame before and is the picture of health, while her spirits if anything are just a trifle too high for comfort. If I owned this girl I would certainly try to learn horse language long enough to have a heart to heart talk with her in an effort to persuade her to resign her membership in the Exposition Park Suicide Club, if not for good and all at least until after her racing career is over. Last spring she ran away for miles over the paved streets, finally landing in an open sewer from which she was extricated through the combined efforts of some six or eight men, and then, after an enforced letup, came on and made a very creditable campaign. On the last day of my visit this trip she again tried the suicide route by running full tilt the length of her paddock, falling when she tried to turn and going clean through the fence. Aside from a few patches of hide knocked off in the scramble she seemed none the worse for the escapade, but it must be rather hard on the nerves of the owner to have a lass of her value indulging so regularly in tantrums of this kind. She is a bundle of nerve and muscle, with a head chock full of race, and as she is of the frail type that should improve greatly with a bit of maturity I look for her to be a contender in the hottest kind of com-

Entries to State Fair Futurity Number Eight, Foals of 1916

Never before in the history of colt stakes in California has so poor a patronage been accorded any event as that which fell to the lot of the State Fair Futurity Number Eight, entries to which closed on January first, nominations to the same appearing herewith. The scant entry list is most eloquent testimony to the condition of affairs in light harness circles in California at this moment, and the closing of the event meant facing a certain loss; however, at the recent meeting of the directors of the California State Agricultural Society it was the concensus of opinion that everything possible should be done by them to promote and safeguard the interests of harness horse breeders through this period of depression, confident that they will be more than repaid in the future for any losses incurred pending the improvement of conditions in this great industry. Every patron of the stake owes his thanks to the directors for this course, and every colt should be kept in to the moment that it proves its unfitness for early racing. Through the courtesy of Secretary C. W. Paine we present the following complete list of nominations:

OWNER.	MARE.	STALLION BRED TO.
J. N. Anderson	Della Derby by Chas. Derby	McDillon
I. L. Borden	Gold Lily by Copa de Oro	Expressive Mac
I. L. Borden	Cleopatra by Zolock	Barney Barnato
S. Christenson	Ella J. T. by Bob Mason	True Kinney
I. J. Cornett	Salinas Princess by Eugeneer	McDillon
I. J. Cornett	Malvina by Oh So	Vernon McKinney
S. H. Cowell	Hulda C. by Dexter Prince	Panama
S. H. Cowell	Dione II by Cupid	Peter McKlyo
Chas. DeRyder	Gracie Pointer by Star Pointer	Vernon McKinney
Chas. DeRyder	Arawanna B. by Sidney Dillon	Vernon McKinney
Jas. F. Dunne	Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy	Mahomet Watts
W. G. Durfee	My Irene S. by Petigru	Carlokin
W. G. Durfee	Atherine by Patron	Carlokin
W. G. Durfee	Honey Healey by Zombro	Carlokin
W. G. Durfee	Zephyr by Zombro	Carlokin
W. G. Durfee	Iran Belle by Iran Alto	Carlokin
W. G. Durfee	De Ora by Copa de Oro	Carlokin
W. G. Durfee	Ezelda by Del Coronado	Copa de Oro
W. G. Durfee	Subito by Steinway	Copa de Oro
W. G. Durfee	Pavlowa B. by Petigru	Copa de Oro
W. G. Durfee	Rita H. by McKinney	Copa de Oro
W. G. Durfee	Leonor McKay by McKinney	Copa de Oro
W. G. Durfee	Truly Ansel by Prince Ansel	Copa de Oro
W. M. Ferguson	by Jay Bird	Alton
Sam Flinn	Dictatus Maid by Dictatus	Healani
L. L. Gilpin	Maud Jay C. by Nearest	Paolis
Alex. Grant	Sona by McKinney	Copa de Oro
W. S. Harkey	Deviletta by Diablo	Robert Bingen
C. A. Harrison	Lottie Whippleton by San Diego	Robert Bingen
C. A. Harrison	by Director	True Kinney
H. H. Helman	Lady Mowry by McKinney	McDillon
Hemet Stock Farm	Zeta W. by Nutwood Wilkes	Wilbur Lou
S. U. Mitchell	Alfano by Nazote	Al de Baron
J. E. Montgomery	Margaret M. by Chestnut Tom	Jim Logan
R. J. MacKenzie	Martha Spy by The Spy	Mahomet Watts
R. J. MacKenzie	Merry Widow by Red Pac	Joe Patchen II
R. J. MacKenzie	by Carlokin	Joe Patchen II
R. J. MacKenzie	Eugenia B. by Zombro	Rapallo
R. J. MacKenzie	Baroness Psyche by Baron Review	Quintell
R. J. MacKenzie	Mildred Togo by Togo	Mahomet Watts
R. J. MacKenzie	Zombro Belle by Zombro	Mahomet Watts
R. J. MacKenzie	Fresno Girl by Seymour Wilkes	Mahomet Watts
Frank Malcolm	Ramona by Demonio	Jim Logan
J. W. Marshall	Bally Pointer by Star Pointer	Jim Logan
J. W. Marshall	Bernice Marshall by Demonio	Jim Logan
Roy D. Mayes	Sweet Edina by Zombro	Peter McKlyo
Chas. W. Paine	Expedio by Lijero	Moko Hall
F. J. Ruhstaller	La Moscovita by Guy Wilkes	Bodaker
B. F. Rush	Potrero Lass by Demonio	Bon McKinney
B. F. Rush	Memonio by Demonio	Bon McKinney
B. F. Rush	Potrero Girl by Prince Airlie	Demonio
B. F. Rush	Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon	Vernon McKinney
Geo. F. Ryan	Honda Girl by Rubino	Skidoo Wilkes
J. E. Short	Rubber Girl by Skidoo Wilkes	Wild Nutling
J. E. Short	Camille by Stam B	Teddy Bear
C. F. Silva	Easter D. by Diablo	Copa de Oro
Mrs. Jas. Stewart	Leavinette by Zombro	Peter McKlyo
L. H. Todhunter	Rose Girl by Amado	Pegasus
Valencia Stock Farm	Mary W. by Dictatus	Bondholder
D. W. Wallis	Plumado by Advertiser	Peter McKlyo
G. Wempe	Loma B. by Stam B	Stanford McKinney
M. L. Woy	Strathalie by Strathway	Expressive Mac
M. L. Woy	Florence B. by Bon Voyage	Expressive Mac
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pany. One of her knees filled a bit after coming home from the exposition but the ailment was purely temporary and yielded readily to treatment, so that she goes into her five-year-old form sound as ever and much huskier.

Esperanza and The Lark are also five-year-olds, and while the daughter of Carlokin and My Irene S. was something of a disappointment to her friends last season Durfee has full confidence in her and says to tag her for along about 2:05 this year. Last spring she took a decided dislike to the exposition track and never got to a point where she fancied it any too well, though performing much better at the fall meeting. Like Virginia, she starts her season's training in the very best of condition, and Mr. Durfee is pretty apt to know what he is talking about when he figures her as a 2:05 performer. The Lark, also by Carlokin and out of the dam of White Sox, is the handsomest individual of the three, and while she has a well developed turn of speed she has had very little racing and is eligible to the slow classes. Her four-year-old mark of 2:09½ is a breeder's record only, though she has a non-winning performance race record of 2:12¼ made last fall at Phoenix, where she went a couple of very nice races, driven once by Mr. Durfee and once by the stable's second trainer, Henry Atkinson.

Among the wigglers that are included in the first Grand Circuit plans the mainstay of the stable is White Sox 2:05¼, whose performances of the past season are too fresh in the minds of coast horsemen to need reviewing at this moment. The daughter of Del Coronado and Subito was let down right after the Arizona State Fair, where she won both her starts, pacing each mile of the last race in the same notch, 2:05¼, and at the time of my visit had not had the harness on her for some weeks, taking her daily exercise in a roomy paddock. Always a good doer, physically, she looks more rugged than ever and is clean and hard in leg and muscle. The proposed match between Sox and Hal Boy is arousing a good deal of interest and causing considerable comment, and while the preponderance of opinion favors the pony pacer, I for one cannot see that the Boy is going to have things all his way by a good deal, providing both stay sound and go to the post really fit for a race. Both Sox and the Boy are the kind that improve with a bit of racing, and I have it in my head that Sox is going to be a much better mare this year than ever before. Given the proposed match under equitable conditions of fitness on the part of each horse, date it well down the line at about Syracuse or the second meeting at Columbus, or at Lexington, and there will be a horse race as is a horse race.

Clara Mac, from the standpoint of physical condition, looks better than I ever saw her before, but she has not done quite as well for Will along speed making lines as might be wished. She had a pretty hard deal just before he secured her and it took her some time to round into shape, and she has never flattened properly to her gait. The best mile she had after coming to the Durfee stable was along around 2:04, and while this it not standing still by a good deal it was hardly as fast as her teamster expected to travel when he started on the journey. She improved for him along toward the close of the season, and by starting in on her pretty early Will believes he will get her squared away to a point where she will be formidable in the 2:06 classes, to which she is now eligible by time allowance. Once back at her old form she is a mare that should pace around 2:03 at least, perhaps a bit better.

Contention B., who rounds out the pacing brigade, has just turned the corner into his fifth year, and if he improves as he should he will be no slouch of a pacer for the moderate classes, his winrace record being 2:18¼, I believe. Like the other members of the stable that were raced last season, he has added some very welcome "mahogany" to his young bones since his return, and begins to look like a horse. He was a light built colt and will never mature into any giant, but age should bring him a considerable amount of strength, which has always been his greatest need. He has about as much lick as any man's pacer, having unbelted quarters in the immediate neighborhood of twenty-eight seconds, but until late last season always had a good deal of trouble in maintaining a flight of extreme speed for the full route, though as a three-year-old I saw him pace a mile around 2.07¾ under circumstances that were anything but advantageous and he was one tired little hombre when he got to the end of the route. He had a little trouble with a curb last spring, if I remember rightly, and his training was shortened a bit on that account, but he gained in strength and staying quality and at Phoenix late in the fall was separately timed in a race in 2:04¾, evidence that he has progressed considerably. He is a good headed little fellow with a nice mouth and I believe that he is going to make a very useful pacer.

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How many horses did I say that this man Durfee had in the stable—somewhere in the neighborhood of forty or fifty? And I have paid my respects to a whole half dozen of them! The amount of space that I have set aside for this portion of my visit to the Angelenos is already shot full of type, and there is a whole string of horses in the Durfee stable yet to be looked at, so I will quit for the moment while the quitting is good, leaving all the younger things—and a nice lot they are—for consideration in a following issue.—[N.]

COMING TROTTING CONGRESSES.

Hartford, Conn., January 6, 1916.

A Biennial Meeting or Congress of Members will be held at the Murray Hill Hotel, New York, at noon, Wednesday, February 9, 1916, in accordance with Article VII, Sec. 1, of the By-Laws, N. T. A.

W. H. GOCHER, Secretary.

Chicago, Ill., January 10, 1916.

The Thirteenth Biennial Congress of The American Trotting Association will convene at the Auditorium Hotel, Chicago, Tuesday, February 15, 1916, at 12 o'clock M., at provided by the By-Laws of The American Trotting Association, for election of Directors and transaction of such business as may be properly presented.

W. H. KNIGHT, Secretary.

NORTH PACIFIC MANAGERS TO MEET IN SEATTLE.

The annual meeting of the members of the North Pacific Fair Association will be held on Thursday and Friday, February third and fourth, not only members but all parties directly interested in the welfare of northwestern fairs being cordially invited to attend. Secretary J. W. Pace, who maintains a permanent office in Seattle, is in charge of all arrangements for the affair and requests that all who expect to attend notify him in advance, that proper provision may be made for their entertainment and a place on the program provided for them in case they have any remarks to make upon topics of interest. Just as large an attendance as possible is desired, and as many expressions of ideas as there are attendants. The northwestern fairs were successful to a marked degree last season, due in no small measure to the spirit of co-operation that exists between the various local associations, and the putting into effect of theories advanced and practical knowledge gained through the medium of the annual meeting of the general association. By all means attend the meeting next month if possible, and write to Mr. Pace at once expressing your intention of being among those present.

Andrew Robertson, one of the foremost horsemen of Australasia and with a considerable acquaintance with California horse breeders owing to previous visits and numerous purchases of the produce of their farms, spent some days in San Francisco and vicinity recently, en route to his home at Allendale Farm, Melbourne, after a trip to England in the interests of Tye & Company, for whom he secured a draft of over a score of high class thoroughbreds at the English auctions. War conditions in the mother country have caused the offering of many horses for sale which in ordinary times would not be priced even for private treaty, and the Australian breeders, like many of our American horsemen, have taken advantage of the opportunity for adding desirable animals to their studs and racing stables. Mr. Robertson speaks very highly indeed of the stallion Honeywood, imported by George Wingfield for his Nevada Stock Farm, and has no hesitation in declaring the best horse in England at this moment to be Pommern, another son of Polymelus. Trotting horses taken to the antipodes through his agency have proven most satisfactory in every way, but the Allendale trainer contented himself this trip with the English thoroughbreds, making no purchases in this country. The horses were shipped direct from an English port, but Mr. Robertson found the return by this route more to his liking from the standpoint of both safety and comfort, sailing Tuesday on the Sonoma, of the Sidney Short Line. His local visit was enjoyable both for himself and his California friends, who regret that he was not longer among them.

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Ned McCarr, formerly chief speed maker at the International 1:55 Horse Farm and for the last season or so the right hand man in the stable of Thomas W. Murphy, the Poughkeepsie wizard, has gone to a still more pleasant berth as trainer for the stable of Pittsburg's millionaire matinee driver, J. D. Callery. Murphy attributed a good deal of the preparedness of his stable throughout the season, and especially at the exposition meeting, to the capable work done by Ned, and the Pittsburg folks will find him a mighty handy man to have around.

NOTES and NEWS

Little Prince 2:04¼ changed hands recently at a consideration of two thousand dollars and will be seen exclusively in 1916 in the twice around free-for-alls. His new owners are Messrs. Haley & Johnson, Madison, Wis.

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Rhythmell 2:04¼, who as a three-year-old was the principal contender in the famous Kentucky futurity won by Manrico (3) 2:07¼ and who afterwards added more laurels to her name by winning the Walnut Hall Cup in 1914, will be mated this season to Peter the Great.

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The Grand Circuit dates for the coming season have been arranged and provide for continuous racing from July 17 to October 21. North Randall starts the ball rolling and proceedings will come to a close at Atlanta rather than at Lexington, as has been the case since Memphis quit the big line.

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George Nugent of Phoenix, who shipped east at the conclusion of the June meeting at the exposition and has been east of the Mississippi ever since then, is racing over the ice in eastern Canada, winning second money with the Del Coronado trotting mare, Princess Louise, in his first start at Toronto some days ago.

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Little Express (2) 2:20, Hi Hogoboom's futurity winner of 1914, who was purchased by the Canadians at the DeRyder sale here during the exposition race meeting, won second money in her first start over the ice at Winnipeg, being second in the first two heats and winning the third. The time was not fast. She is a nice young mare and as she was secured very reasonably her present owner ought to get his money out of her several times over.

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At a recent meeting of the members of the Business Men's Race and County Fair Association at Nebraska City, Nebraska, where California horsemen often drop off for a few starts on their way east in the early part of the season, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, George W. Leidigh; vice-president, L. W. Rodenbrock; secretary, H. B. Swalley; treasurer, W. A. Hughey; directors, A. Billings, Earl Beezely, E. H. Fisher, Tom Kastner and D. W. McCallum. A meeting will be given on June 13, 14 and 15, with liberal purses.

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Word comes from his home in Thomasville that W. J. Andrews is gaining so satisfactorily that his physicians predict that he will again be able to do the teaming for the Pastime Stable by the time the Grand Circuit opens. In the meantime Ben White continues the active trainer for the Cleveland folks and will have the string in shape to race, by either Andrews or himself. Ben certainly stepped into the breach last summer when Billy had to retire and delivered the goods in excelent shape. "Two strings to your bow" are still advisable, even though the bow has given place to more modern arms.

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C. C. Christy, Kansas City, Mo., at one time one of the most prominent campaigners of trotters in the central west, died on January third at his home, at the age of sixty-five. Dick Benson raced his horses, one of the most successful of their number being the California bred gelding The Roman 2:09½, by McKinney 2:11¼ and out of the late F. H. Burke's famous old time trotting mare Wanda 2:14¾ by Eros. Dick won a number of excellent races with The Roman in 1902, and as Mr. Christy was a plunger of some pretensions when prices and conditions were to his liking, the cash returns from the campaign were not limited to the receipts from stakes and purses.

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Bon Voyage 2:08, who for the past year or so has been in the hands of the well known Indiana horseman, James Hazelton, of Frankfort, is being offered for sale again. His son Bon Courage 2:08½, still owned here in California, was the fastest four-year-old trotting gelding of the season just passed, and as a two- and three-year-old was one of the best youngsters ever seen in this part of the world. Mr. Hazelton owns the grandly bred stallion Border Knight 2:12¼, whose blood is a combination of that of the two great present day families of Bingen and Peter the Great, and the overwhelming popularity of this fellow probably has something to do with the disposal of Bon Voyage.

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Sam Harris of Plymouth, Illinois, who made the long trip to the exposition fall meeting with the good trotter Axtien 2:06¼, only to have the big fellow go wrong with him at the critical moment, reports that the son of Axworthy has rounded to in fine shape since getting home and that he will do to race again in 1916, from all present indications. Axtien is one of the few horses who had the honor to wrest a heat from the redoubtable Peter Scott during the season just passed, and his lack of condition at the races here in California was a great disappointment not only to his owner but to the crowds as well, as he had been figured as one of the principal contenders for honors in the big stake.

The expatriated Oklahoma trainer, Bi Shively, celebrated his advent in Canada by winning a seven-heat race on the ice at Hillcrest Park, Toronto, with Patchen Wilkes II. He also won second money in another race with Widower Peter, owned by his employer, W. H. Grosch of Milverton, Ont.—Horse Review. [This man Shively always was a "simultaneous" sort of a cuss, as more than one western trainer and driver can testify from personal experience.]

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Six head of trotters and pacers composing the stable handled by the Canadian trainer, Vic Fleming, were suffocated in a Sunday morning fire at Dundas, Ontario, a couple of weeks ago, chief among them being the fast pacer Billy Brino 2:06¼, whose campaign over the two-lap tracks in 1915 was a model of consistency. Starting in seventeen races on the circuit he was twice arounds he was sixteen times first and once second, and was expected to figure extensively in the eastern ice racing this winter. He was just recovering from an attack of pneumonia when death put an end to his career. None of the horses lost in the fire were insured and the blow is a hard one for the owners and trainer.

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V. L. Shuler of Indianapolis, who consigned Peter McCormick to the Old Glory sale and then withdrew him when the time came for the auction to commence, evidently has the big fellow pretty well patched up again, as he is already being mentioned as a probable candidate for the next number of the M. and M. His many friends out here wish Mr. Shuler the best of luck with Peter, as he is without doubt one of the fastest and gamest sons of the premier of Patchen Wilkes Farm. Like the bird whose good looks were exceeded only by the size of his feet, the only thing about Peter that outranks his real racing qualities is his misfortune. Perhaps this is one year in which he can manage to escape the jinx that has hung to his trail.

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Does it pay a caretaker to attend as strictly to his humble business as though it were his own, and a more pretentious and profitable one at that? We always advanced the idea that it did, and can submit a number of authentic instances in support of that theory. The latest man to profit materially through the adoption of this system is Jack Clark, who has taken care of Peter Scott ever since that horse became a member of the Murphy stable, Owner Henry Oliver's holiday remembrance to Peter's groom coming in the shape of a check for one thousand dollars. Jack, whose husky likeness appeared on the cover page of this paper some weeks since along with that of Peter Scott, is a credit to his calling and the worst luck we wish him is that he draw down another thousand next season.

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Lulu Lumine 2:06¼, the little western trotting mare for whom A. H. Cosden of New York paid somewhere in the neighborhood of twelve thousand dollars after the wonderful showing she made in 1913 over the tracks of the Great Western Circuit, died very suddenly a few days ago at Walnut Hall Farm, where she had been left at the conclusion of the Lexington meeting last fall. So unexpected was her death, with no visible indications of any of the customary virulent illnesses to which horseflesh is heir, that an autopsy was held by a number of veterinarians, their investigation revealing that she was a sufferer from an affection of the heart, a weakness that in all probability accounts for the disappointing showing made by her for the past two seasons in Tommy Murphy's hands. Had she lived she would have mated in the spring to one of the prominent stallions of the Lexington neighborhood, though to which one had not been determined.

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In accordance with the usual custom, Allen Farm, Pittsfield, Mass., has recently issued the annual year book and price list, and attractive and instructive little booklets they are, even if the reader be not in the market for trotting horses. The year book gives a concise record of the performances of the various animals bred at the farm, or sired by its stallions, that were raced during the season of 1915, and by referring to both year book and price list a prospective buyer, or student of pedigree and performance, may learn exactly how the contemporary representatives of the various crosses are racing, and be guided thereby. Every animal listed in the season's offering has the exact price appended to the description, and buyers know exactly what to expect when they go to do business. Horses are absolutely as represented, the price asked in every instance is based on a full knowledge of their earning capacity under fair conditions, and by these methods the farm has built up a market for practically everything it produces.

MR. BROOD MARE OWNER, do not by any chance neglect to nominate every mare bred in 1915 in the Pacific Breeders' Futurity Stake No. 16 which closes on Tuesday, February first. The decrease in breeding means that prices for really good horses will be just so much higher in the future, and the consequent falling off in futurity patronage means that your foals have just so much better chance to become money winners. It costs but $2 to make a nomination, a very small risk for the return it may make.

Indiana horsemen are already booming Single G. 2:02¾ as the next two-minute pacer, and as the Cambridge City bearcat came perilously near that mark at Lexington and then went home in excellent shape, the grounds for the Hoosier hopes are pretty solid. Along with nine other candidates for honors during the coming season he is being wintered by Curt Gosnell at Cambridge City.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. L. DeRyder, who had been in southern California since the closing days of last year, came home rather unexpectedly a few days ago, with Charley quite a little "under the weather." Several times during the year just passed he has been subject to attacks of illness of a similar nature, superinduced by too many miles in the sulky in all sorts of weather, and some months ago he was warned by his physician that his riding activities in the future must be considerably curtailed. A long rest from that sort of work is on the program for him, and his countless friends join in wishing him a quick and complete return to health.

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Andrew Albright, Jr., of Prospect Farm, Newark, N. J., has just added to his stable by purchase a young lady that is considered the very best one of her age in that section of the country, the brown filly Brownie Watts (2) 2:21½, now a three-year-old. This lass took her record last season over a very poor halfmile track after sixty days of work at the hands of her amateur owner, and the canny eastern trainers who know her have her tagged for a mile around 2:06 this season, if no untoward bad luck cuts her trail. Long distance information is that she is sound and good headed and she certainly is bred to be a trotter, her sire being General Watts and her dam Sarah Hamlin 2:11¼, making her a full sister to that excellent campaigner Dick Watts 2:12¼, who has been such a good winner for the past two seasons in the hands of Herman Tyson. Mr. Albright left the east this week with California as his objective point, and may have arrived in Los Angeles on the tag end of the big storm that has just visited that section.

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The first death of the season among California horses of any note is reported by W. L. Hale of Bakersfield, the stallion Athablo 2:24½ having died at his place on the first day of the new year. Athablo, who was bred by George L. Warlow of Fresno, was a son of Diablo 2:09¼ and the famous matron Athalie, dam of six performers and four speed sires, by Harkaway 2:28¼. Athablo, foaled in 1896 but owned almost all his life in a section where harness horses were not bred to any great extent, is represented in the list by half a dozen standard performers, as follows: Athol R. 2:07¼, Roan Hal 2:07¾, Nogi 2:10½, Dan S. 2:11¾, Sextette 2:18 and Miss Dividend 2:20¾, certainly an excellent showing for a sire of his opportunities. He was owned at the time of his death by the estate of E. J. Boust, his owner for the last several years, who died some three months ago at Taft. The estate has a number of excellent colts and fillies by Athablo, but under present conditions finds them hard to dispose of at any kind of an advantageous figure.

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While the various portions of the country have been reporting winter weather of exceptional severity, California, and especially the southern portion of the state, has been visited by the most severe storm of many years, the wind in certain localities attaining hurricane proportions and the rainfall, in the course of a very few hours' time, measuring from four and a half to thirteen inches. The loss in life and property has been heavy in certain neighborhoods, livestock being drowned in some instances and many buildings, bridges and oil rigs being swept away by either wind or water or the combined efforts of the two. Clarence Berry chanced to be in the Maricopa district at the height of the storm and saw twelve out of fifteen rigs on one of his leases blown to pieces in almost as many minutes, all the operators in the district suffering to a similar extent. The wind at that point attained a velocity of over a hundred miles an hour, and while Mr. Berry admits that the sight was a wild and wonderful one while it lasted and that, since it had to happen he is glad he saw it, he admits with equal readiness that "once is enough."

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A. B. Coxe of Paoli, Penn., arrived in California a few days ago on his annual winter visit and has been staying at the Palace Hotel in this city, visiting with local friends and horsemen prior to his departure for the southern portion of the state, where he will remain for some weeks. A trip or so to Pleasanton produced much pleasure, and some congenial company at the Palace has resulted in the inauguration at that hostelry of a "Coal Stove Circuit de Luxe," with mixed racing the order of the day. With Mr. Coxe as presiding judge some very fast miles have been driven or ridden by himself, John W. Considine, Andrew Robertson of Melbourne, George Wingfield, and other chance comers whose entries were acceptable to the stewards, the sundown clause being disregarded with a great deal of regularity and other numerous infractions of the rules passing without censure. Nawbeek Farm, Mr. Coxe's home place, boasts one of the choicest bands of brood mares in the east, and has for the head of its stud at present the excellent young trotter Dillon Axworthy (3) 2:10¼, a futurity winner and at five years of age a member of the great table of sires.

THE GRAND CIRCUIT FOR 1916.

The meeting of the stewards of the Grand Circuit on January eleventh at Cleveland was marked especially by the spirit of complete accord existing among those in attendance, none of the discordant elements that have made themselves manifest at various times in the past being in evidence. Unsettled conditions in Canada caused Montreal to relinquish her claim for dates for the present, and Atlanta was added to the circuit, a move that will be noted with pleasure, heralding as it does the establisment of the trotter on a fitting scale in the south. Both Cleveland and Columbus will stage two meetings during the season, the circuit as finally decided upon being as follows:

North Randall, O.	July 17-22
Detroit	July 24-29
Kalamazoo	July 31-August 5
Grand Rapids	August 7-12
Columbus	August 14-19
North Randall	August 21-26
New York	August 28-September 2
Hartford	September 4-9
Syracuse	September 11-16
Columbus	September 18-30
Lexington	October 2-14
Atlanta	October 16-21

The resolution introduced by President Devereux calling for a uniform series of stakes throughout the circuit, with an automatic elimination clause for money winners after a certain sum is credited to them, was adopted for a thorough trial, the conditions reading as follows:

"$5,000 stake for trotters that never won $2,000 gross, nor have a time or race record faster than 2:14¼. To be raced for in three heats, $1,200 for the first heat, $1,500 for the second heat and $1,800 for the third heat, purse in each heat to be divided 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. Of the balance, $150 to the winner of the event, $150 to the driver of the winner and $200 to the horses standing fifth and sixth in the final summaries, of which 70 per cent shall go to the fifth horse and 30 per cent to the sixth.

"No starter in any heat can win more than one money. A distanced or drawn horse retains what money he has won prior, but loses his position in the final summary.

"Of the horses that start in the third heat, the winner of the event shall be the horse, not distanced, that has won the most money; should there be a tie in the gross amount won, the horses tied shall race a fourth heat to determine the winner.

"If a sum less than $5,000 is offered, all awards shall be made, in the same proportions.

"A horse entered in these events shall be elegible to start until it has won $7,000 gross in them, when it becomes ineligible to start again in said events, and all entrance in said stakes to which said horse has become ineligible shall be refunded and the horse entitled to start in any early closing event to which its winning race record makes it eligible at the time it was so barred. The amount of entrance fee to be refunded is to be determined by the member in whose events the horse is permitted to start. start.

"Every Grand Circuit meeting for 1916 is hereby required to offer the above stake under the above conditions. Entries to them to close at the same time as for all other early closing events of each meeting."

A uniform time allowance system for the entire circuit was also adopted, in the following language:

"Horses that have started anywhere in 1915 or 1916 without winning a race shall be allowed one second. Horses that have started two or more times in 1915 or 1916 without winning a race shall be allowed two seconds. Horses whose winning race records were made prior to 1915 shall be allowed two seconds, provided they have not won a race in 1915 or 1916.

"These allowances shall hold good until a horse wins a race, and a horse granted any of these allowances shall, on winning races, be eligible to the class only in which his record made in that race entitles him to start, provided such record does not admit him to a class slower than that to which his time allowance made him eligible. If already entered in a class in which he gets an allowance and to which his winning performance renders him ineligible he shall be entitled to start in any other class to which he is eligible. But if a horse has been entered in any races in which no allowance is claimed for it he shall be allowed to start in such races. These allowances to be good for both early closing and class races."

The Grafton Country Club, Worcester, Mass., was recently the scene of an unusual social event, a dinner given in honor of the Whitinsville sportsman, Chester W. Lasell, who not only owns and breeds horses but trains and races them in person, with an unusual degree of success. Coupled with Mr. Lasell as the guest of honor was the three-year-old trotter Henry Todd (3) 2:10 with whom he won the Champion Stallion Stakes at Empire City last season, the colt being brought to the banquet with all his paraphernalia, bearing the inscription "Oakhurst Farm." The big room at the club house was decorated as a racing stable, in the colors of Oakhurst Farm, and those present included not only the wealthy owner and his friends, but all the employees that participate in the establishment's activities.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

WORLD'S LARGEST HATCHERY FOR OAK CREEK.

The State architect's office is at work on plans and specifications for the largest fish hatchery in the world. The structure will be on Oak Creek near Independence in Inyo county and the definite news that it will be located there will be of interest to anglers in Southern California.

Ernest Schaeffle, executive officer of the Fish and Game Commission, announces that work on the structure will be rushed in order to get everything in readiness to operate in full capacity this season, which should see the hatchery completed by the first of June or the middle of the same month by the latest. The cost of the new plant will be in the neighborhood of $20,000 or $30,000, he estimates.

It is planned to hatch 6,000,000 trout per season in the new hatchery. This will be sufficient to stock all the streams and creeks in Southern California. As a deal of revenue is derived from the southern portion of the state and there has been some protest in the past in not spending enough money in that territory, the expenditures and the good work outlined will be welcomed by our fellow statesmen in the south.

There was some opposition from San Bernardino county for locating the new hatchery on Oak Creek, but the commission announces that for years the situation has been studied closely and it is confident the best place possible has been selected. It is necessary to get the right kind of water and to be close to the supply of eggs to make a success of the new fish farm. Oak Creek is near the Rae Lakes, sixty in number, and is well stocked with rainbow trout. The commissioners are satisfied an abundance of eggs will be obtainable. Transportation facilities have also been considered and it has been learned that pack trains and wagons will be able to do the work.

The hatchery will be the last word in a structure of its kind. The hatchery room proper will measure 160 feet, making a 180 feet over all, and it will be 42 feet wide, measured from inside. It will be constructed of stone which will be found on the site and the roof will be of red tile. There will be cement floors and the finest equipment possible. The hatchery will easily be the largest and most modern to be found anywhere on the face of the globe, according to the fish and game commissioners, and Californians can take pride in it.

Plans have been outlined to make the hatchery operations for 1916 just as extensive as they were last season.

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Quite a change is to be made in the Fish and Game Commission. The Fresno Division in charge of A. D. Ferguson is to be abolished and the territory divided between the Sacramento and Los Angeles Divisions. This will leave the state three divisions to control the fish and game. A. D. Ferguson has been offered a position as special assistant to Ernest Schaeffle, executive officer. His work will consist in superintending the work of the deputies of the State. He will also assist in other lines.

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THE FALL RUN OF SALMON.

The fall run of salmon on the Sacramento river has been a very light one this year. The take of salmon eggs at the spawn-taking stations, which may be taken as an index of the size of the run, was no more than half the usual amount.

The runs on Eel, Klamath, and Smith rivers, however, have been good and up to the average. On Eel river two species of salmon are taken, the quinnat (known in the North as king and chinook) and the silver salmon. The netting season now opens on this stream on October 7, a much better arrangement, for the fish caught on the opening day were in excellent condition this year, which was far from the case in previous years, when the season opened later. The netting season now closes on December 7, which may be a little late to give the best protection to the two species of salmon and to the steelhead, which begins running in increased numbers late in November, but it is far better than the old law which allowed netting until the end of January. Large numbers of the two species of salmon on Eel river are shipped fresh to San Francisco. A few are salted and mild cured. Salmon have not been canned on this stream for several years.

On Klamath river two species, the quinnat and silver, are taken, and practically all are canned, very few being shipped fresh.

On Smith river also both quinnat and silver salmon are found. Here the fish are canned, none being salted or shipped fresh.

Quinnat salmon are caught in commercial quantities in Monterey Bay in June, July and August. They are caught entirely by trolling. The catch this past summer exceeded two and a half million pounds, slightly exceeding the catch of last year, which was the largest catch ever made in the bay up to that time.—Fish and Game Commission.

GAME DEPUTY CLARENCE J. BERRY WOULD ARREST HIS OWN BROTHER HEN.

"Investing authority in a man often makes him walk a pretty straight and narrow path," commented Clarence J. Berry, the well-known sportsman the other day in a fanning bee. "I remember some years ago when I was living at my home in Selma that the game warden swore me in as a deputy. Immediately I secured all the literature possible on fish and game laws and I made the boys toe the mark. My brother Henry announced one day that he was going out after some quail.

"You can't shoot quail at this time of the year," I told him.

"'Well, you just watch me,' was his come-back.

"We argued for awhile and in the end I threatened to arrest him. I would, too, and Henry realized it and gave up his proposed hunting trip. The idea of having deputies is a great one."

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GAME SEASON POOR IN NORTH.

Guess how many ducks, geese, rails and coots were killed during the 1915-1916 open season, which closed Jan. 15 in the state of Oregon.

Here is the answer, or approximately so—26,000. This is the estimate volunteered by Wardens T. J. Craig and E. H. Clark, chief aids in Game Warden Carl Shoemaker's office.

Last year, after a careful compilation, the game warden's office estimated the wild fowl killing at 38,000 birds, but this figure is thought to exceed the present season by some 10,00 or 12,000 birds.

Early in the season many of the lakes on the islands between Government Island and the lower end of Deer Island were dried up, necessitating pumping, and later in the season, along about the middle of December, too much moisture produced the opposite extreme.

"Arrests for violation of the night hunting law have not been as many as in former years," vouchsafed Mr. Clark. "This is due to the fact that more sportsmen are becoming educated to game and fish protection."

The season opened on October 1, but by far the best shooting was enjoyed during November. Severe storms drove the birds inland and, as the ponds had become normal, nearly all the hunters bagged the limit. In the latter part of November and in December, the clubs encountered just the opposite condition which bothered them in October, too much water. During that time there was a continual downpour and many of the clubs were dater-logged and their blinds looked like so many fallen-down boathouses with just the roof sticking out of the water.

As stated, the average bagging of the hunter fell far below that of years gone by, but even at that a lot of sport has been enjoyed by the "thoroughbreds." The usual delegation of sportsmen from Eastern cities, Seattle and other sections of the country took part in the many shoots this season. These came to the Columbia lakes in preference to hunting around their own localities, because of the finer birds here.

There are about 150 duck clubs on the Oregon side of the Columbia river between Givernment Island and the lower end of Deer Island. Each club feeds the birds more than five tons of wheat every season. Wheat, combined with the natural food of wild fowl, will keep them in the finest condition.

Carl Shoemaker, game warden, was operated on two weeks ago for a goitre and left a few days ago to recuperate at his home in Roseburg.

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The Golden Gate Gun Club, which plans to be active with a number of trap-shooting events this season, may be forced to locate new club shooting grounds. A dredger has been at work at West Alameda and may interfere with the blue rock brigade. President W. H. Price, secretary-treasurer T. D. Riley and the other officers are hoping that they will be able to stay there as it is handily located and all the members have come to know the grounds pretty well.

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It will not be long before every public student and scholar in our schools will be instructed in the value of wild game. The Fish and Game Commission is launching a campaign to have the instruction included in the regular studies. In addition there will be a new forestry course at the University of California.

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To the Breeder and Sportsman:

"I very much regret to learn that our mutual friend, Mr. J. X. DeWitt, has "passed to that bourne from which no traveler returns." I met Mr. DeWitt on my first trip to the West Coast in 1905. A friendship which sprang up at that time between us was never broken.

ELMER E. SHANER,
Treasurer and Manager.

HEARD IN KENNEL CIRCLES.

Miss Jean Forgeus, of the S. V. Kennels, intends to send her Russian wolfhound Nicholas East to compete with America's best at the Westminster show in New York on Washington's birthday. Nicholas won everything offered at the P.-P. I. E. show.

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D. J. Tobin, an ardent fancier of the bull terrier, and owner of several good ones, reports that his bitch had a litter of eight puppies. The sire is King V. also owned by Tobin. Tobin intends to keep the litter and show them at the Golden Gate show.

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The officers of the Golden Gate Kennel Club will hold a meeting this week to decide on the judges for their coming show. Irving C. Ackerman, president of the club, favors bringing an Eastern judge. Among the prominent judges whom Ackerman has extended invitations are: George S. Thomas, Walter H. Reeves, Dr. Henry Jarrett, Vint Breese and Alf Delmont. All of the above judges with the exception of Reeves are well known on the Coast.

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Mrs. Anita M. Baldwin, who recently imported four Airedale terriers for breeding purposes, intends to breed them to Tintern Tip Top, a recently imported dog with a big English record.

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Mrs. E. F. Brown, of Redwood City, owner of the largest aggregation of collies on the Pacific Coast, has started to prepare her best dogs for the show ring. They will be shown over the local circuit.

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Fred B. McCay of Cathay, California, owner of the Oak Ridge Beagle kennels, will send a pack of twenty down to the Golden Gate show. The above kennels won all the honors at the Exposition show.

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W. R. Bartley has bred his Airedale terrier Harvester to Floradora, a bitch that has done considerable winning. Bartley expects to get a flier from this mating.

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American fanciers have been unusually active in importing Pomeranians of late and the following, taken from the Illustrated Kennel News, an English publication, gives an account of some notable purchases made by American fanciers from the Pomeria Kennels at Aberdare:

"Business has been brisk at the Pomeria Kennels, Aberdare. Mrs. Williams has shipped to the order of Mr. Wakeman, of South Australia, two blacks in Aberdare Prince and Aberdare Queen. Another sale is that of the sweet black bitch Aberdare Jewel, that weighs 3 pounds. She goes to the kennel of Mrs. Hurning, of Pennsylvania, to be the companion of Aberdare Teddy and Aberdare Doll. It is to be hoped that Jewel will arrive safely and well, where she should render a good account of herself, as already she is a winner under Messrs. Raper and Reeves, her latest victories being two firsts and two cups at the hands of Mr. Theo. Marples at Tonypandy. She is well bred and is a direct descendant of Ch. Haughty Prince. Another beautiful black dog, Aberdare Tiny Blackie, has gone to join a kennel comrade in Aberdare King at the Fortuna Kennels in Los Angeles, Cal. We hope he will accomplish his long journey successfully, and no doubt will maintain his reputation when exhibited. Still another sale is of Aberdare Wee Prince and Aberdare Pansy, a lovely brace of small Poms that have gone to Mr. Davis, an American fancier."

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Heathcote Enchantress is the name of Messrs. Baldwin and Jones' recent importation. This young Airedale bitch has been a good winner in England and was placed reserve to the famous Vickery Kennel's Aman Gem at the last Birmingham all terrier show. She is a well bred one, claiming as her sire the noted champion Tintern Tip Top recently purchased by Mrs. Anita Baldwin, of California, which is said to be the best Airedale in England. Enchantress is being groomed for the Westminster and will make her debut in America at this important fixture.

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At the Barbican the other day (this is where the coursing greyhounds are usually put up to auction in London), there was no lack of bidding, one first season greyhound going for about $750—at auction, mind you, and war times! Another lot of 38 brought about $2,500.

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Mr. Andrew Albright, Jr., owner of the Baughfell Kennels, will pay California a visit next month. He has just purchased the great wire fox terrier Champion Wycollar Boy. Wycollar Boy has beaten the lot on the other side, his latest win being at the Great Joint Terrier Show last month, where he topped the lot again. It took a long price to get him, but Mr. Albright is much pleased with his purchase. Mr. Albright has also purchased a very high class wire bitch, which he will bring out at New York, and thinks her capable of holding her own with the best.

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Mr. Earl K. Breen is on a hunting trip in Mexico. Among the Airedales he has taken with him are the good winner, Blizzard Breen, and West Coast Water Baby (the latter by Champion Boughfell Briar), both of which he recently purchased from Kyle Onstott. Mr. Breen writes The Kennel Review that both are making good on everything from monkeys and parrots to wild burros.

GAME REPORTS FROM VALLEY AND NORTH.

A. D. Ferguson, in charge of the Fresno division of the Fish and Game Commission, has some interesting reports on conditions in the San Joaquin valley, a favorite shooting country. He was in San Francisco during the week and looks forward to even more birds this coming season.

"The present duck season has not been as good in our section of the State as in former years," said Ferguson. "At some places it was good, at others fair and in some it was very poor. The best shooting by far that has been recorded in the San Joaquin valley has been at the Widgeon Gun Club. Birds have been plentiful and the boys have taken the limit pretty nearly every time they have gone out.

"At Gustine it was only fair. Los Banos has been very poor. This was caused by Miller and Lux draining the water off their lands during the summer. South of Los Banos at Fireball birds have been numerous. Tulare Lake has not produced as good sport as expected. Western Tulare, North Kern and Kernell have been good. There have been so many gunners out at Buena Vista Lake that limit bags have been rather scarce.

"Geese are just commencing to put in an appearance. The big birds have arrived late this season for some reason but the hunters will find game plentiful until the season closes on the last of this month.

"Our quail season was very successful. The new law closing the season on the last day of December proved satisfactory to the sportsmen. They appreciated the fact that the birds will be left for next season. Prospects are that 1916 will be the greatest quail hunting season we have had in 20 years. They produce well in wet years and it looks like we are going to have plenty of rain.

"San Joaquin stands out as the greatest dove country in the state. To show how they are hunted and pursued it is estimated that 40,000 doves were killed in Fresno county alone on the opening day of last season. The vast number of birds in our section is attributed to the fact that for the past six years the season has opened as late as September first while in former years it was in July and August. The doves were accordingly given a chance to breed by countless millions. The restriction of the open dove season to the months of September, October and November will have a general beneficial effect all over northern California.

"I am pleased to report that the deer is increasing in our section. The opening of the season on August 15th instead of July first has had a good effect. In the Sierra they are increasing in numbers and the game commission is being supported by the people in enforcing the law."

Frank Cady, a deputy who has been patrolling Lassen and Modoc counties, gives some data on game in those sections.

Sage hen are reported as increasing, particularly in the Madeline Plains, where in the past two years a 50% increase has been reported. In Willow Creek Valley it is now possible to get the limit of sage hens, and only a few years ago there were no birds in that section at all.

Ducks still breed in goodly numbers throughout the entire county. The people of the county are uniform in their request that the present open season for the taking of ducks be changed. They suggest that either September 15th or October 1st would be very acceptable to them. If September 15th were given the season could close on December 15th; if October 1st, it could close on Jan. 1st. They also recommend a smaller bag limit,—not greater than 15 per day, and many advocate only 10.

Antelope are also increasing. The band near Spanish Springs, which numbered two years ago nine now numbers 17 or 18. A band has shown up in the region to the northwest of Eagle Lake where for a number of years there have been no reports whatever. There have been one or two instances where antelope have been killed along the state line by Pyramid Indians. The people of the county, however, very generally respect the protection given the antelope and very few are killed.

Last winter it was reported to Cady by a reliable individual that he had counted 107 mule deer in the hills to the south of the Madeline Plains. Another individual at the same time reported a band of nearly 100 in the hills to the north of the plains. This was in the latter part of December or the first of January in the winter of 1915.

Pheasants are increasing. A brood of 12 birds was raised about 25 miles farther down the valley from where the original plant was made. Near Susanville on one ranch there are about 40 or 50 that show up every day for feed. The ranchers uniformly are in favor of protecting the birds and as soon as it is reported that any are on the ranch, hunting is prohibited.

Cady believes that he ran on to three Hungarian partridges on the east side of Honey Lake. These birds were seen in a location which is not favorable to mountain quail, and while Cady is somewhat in doubt as to what they were, he believes that they were the Hungarian partridges.

The "farthest north" gun club is situated at Nome, Alaska. The "gold diggers" are not satisfied with this claim, and every once in awhile pull off a midnight target shoot under the northern sun.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

O. N. Ford Proposes Big Trap Shoot

O. N. Ford, manager and secretary of the San Jose Blue Rock Club, is out with a proposal to launch an interclub trap-shoot in Northern California. Mr. Ford points out that the trap season will soon open and now is the time to get out and work up some interest in the "sport alluring." His idea is for a ten-man team match between four or five clubs in the northern part of the State. Details as to the conditions of the matches, etc., can be found in the following letter received on Monday:

"To the Breeder and Sportsman:

"I want to propose to the gun clubs of Northern California that we get up a ten-man shoot for five or six clubs. This would be my idea of the same: Have five or six clubs enter the contest and shoot one contest on each club's grounds once every month. With five clubs entered it would extend the competition to five months. Then have a BIG ONE at the finish.

"Ten men to a team would mean fifty or sixty shooters at each contest. The conditions would be to shoot 200 targets. Each club could add $100 in cash to the program, second $100 to count in full contest. We can get five entries all right in a close radius. San Francisco, Sacramento and San Jose could enter one team apiece. Vallejo, Martinez and the Family Club could combine to get one aggregation. Stockton, Newman and Modesto could furnish the other team to make five all told. All south of San Jose to Santa Maria could put up a good team of ten men. Los Banos, Fresno and Lindsay could also enter the competition with a combined squad.

"We have five right here, however, in a golden circle. My idea of the financial end is to have each shooter put up $1 at each shoot, which would make $50 for a total of $250 for the five meets. For the sixth meet either buy ten trophies for the winning team or add the $250 to the money secured from the club that will secure the event. Let all the boys shoot for this.

"The match could be started in May and have one shoot each month until it is over. This will attract a fine crowd to the traps each Sunday of the competition. One man can be selected from each team entered to form a committee to decide how the money will be divided. A vote could be taken at the first shoot to determine what will be done with the money at the finish of the season.

"Let us get busy, boys, and show the East that we are alive out here on the Pacific Coast. Let's hear from some of the clubs I have mentioned relative to a shoot of this kind.

"Yours respectfully, O. N. FORD."

"San Jose, Cal., Jan 17th."

The Breeder and Sportsman will be pleased to publish the views of any other enthusiastic sportsmen regarding the match trap-shoot as suggested by Mr. Ford. The idea appears to be a good one as it will have a tendency to increase the interest in trap-shooting and attract public attention.

In Eastern sections, competitions similar to the one outlined by Mr. Ford are held at regular intervals and have proved a success. It will serve another purpose of bringing the blue rock busters together in friendly gatherings and afford a chance to get better acquainted with the boys you read about. So, get busy, trap shooters and talk over the proposition, and if it looks all right get in line with Mr. Ford.

PRESS REPORTS ON FIELD TRIALS.

The condensed press reports on the field trials held in the south last week are as follows:

Montgomery (Ala.), January 14.—Gunner, a setter, the winner of the American Field Futurity, was awarded first money, $500, in the Derby stake of the National Field Trials Club, whose 1916 meet was concluded on the reservation at Calhoun today. Gunner is owned by Bedford & Fleischmann of New York city.

Second money, $300, went to Attakapa's Rap, the entry of I. G. Abney of Shreveport, La., and third money, $200, was awarded to King's Cy, the entry of Dr. T. E. Barber of Grand Fords, N. D. The free for all stake of the National Field Trials Club will be run over the reservation of the club at Calhoun, beginning January 24th.

The all-age stake of the National Field Trials Club was completed yesterday. The pointer Lewis C. Morris, entered by I. J. Rowe, Birmingham, Ala., was awarded first money, $500, and a silver cup. Second money,, $300, was won by Gibraltar Ollie, a setter, owned by George C. Parsons of Kennebunk, and third money, $200, went to John Proctor, a pointer, owned by A. L. Curtis of Belton, Tex. The trials will close with the running of the second series of the Derby Stake tomorrow.

Rogers Springs, Tenn., Jan. 15.—Mississippi Sport, a setter owned by R. H. Sidway of Buffalo, N. Y., and handled by P. C. Ellis, Booneville, Miss., today was awarded the title of amateur champion hunting dog over a field of fifteen which competed in the championship stake of the All-America field trials club here.

Mississippi Sport ran in the finals against the setter Netherby Jack, entered by William Armstrong of High Point, N. C., and handled by Dr. V. H. Miller of Bolivar, Tenn., and won first place by a narrow margin on bird work. Netherby Jack was placed second.

Bain's Dam, another Sidway entry, handled by Ellis, won the third money, and the setter Doc Roller, owned by T. T. Ashford, Birmingham, Ala., and handled by H. W. Brooks, Springville, Ala., was placed fourth.

The amateur Derby, the final event of the All-American trials, was not concluded today.

SCHUETZEN CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS.

The California Schuetzen Club, at its annual meeting held last week, elected the following officers for the current year: President, John S. Leutenegger; vice-president, Otto A. Bremer; secretary, John Heissner; treasurer, Captain Joseph Straub; trustees, A. L. Ott, L. Willie, J. Waller; directors, A. L. Ott, J. S. Leutenegger, E. Pohli, F. Levers, J. Waller, C. von Hartwig, A. Pollak. President Leutenegger, who was re-elected, was presented with a silver cup. Ex-President A. L. Ott made the presentation on behalf of the club as a token of appreciation of President Leutenegger's services. The annual distribution of prizes was followed by a banquet.

At the monthly shoot, held Sunday on the California Schuetzen Club range, San Rafael, Charles B. Morris won the best ticket on the honorary target with a score of 67, no re-entry. Following are the highest five scores on tha target:

Charles B. Morris, 67; Otto A. Bremer, 66; L. Willie, 65; George A. Pattberg, 64; H. Schroeder, 64.

Monthly competition shoot.—L. Willie, 219, 213, 212; John Frei, 219, 208; Otto A. Bremer, 216, 210; John S. Leutenegger, 195; H. Schroeder, 184; J. H. Millett, 179, 179, 168; A. von Wyl, 171; Joseph Capelli 161, 161, 143, 143.

Monthly bullseye competition.—George Heissner, 161; George A. Pattberg, 404; John Frei, 444; Philo Jacoby, 754; C. B. Morris, 824; Otto A. Bremer, 939; Joseph Capelli, 1223; L. Willie, 1340; Charles Ott, 2132; Captain Joseph Straub, 2157; H. Schroeder, 2300; John S. Leutenegger, 2491; J. H. Millett, 2702; A. von Wyl, 2730.

NATIONALS SHOOT AT SHELL MOUND.

Sergeant Frank J. Povey made a score of 76, the highest of the day in the initial shoot of the year of the Nationals on the Shell Mound range on Sunday.

Following are the principal scores of the day:

Captain H. H. Mitchell, 57; Lieutenant A. R. Coons, 73; P. Lichtenstein, 73; Sergeant C. A. Hauge, 64; Corporal J. Edwardson, 37; C. McMillan, 24; J. L. Beamont, 71; W. E. Bassett, 57; Corporal M. D. Sullivan, 42; Corporal J. H. Lunn, 53; E. Ramsey, 50; C. Bauer, 42; G. Stokes, 16; T. O'Leary, 28; H. McNally, 43; H. McLaughlin, 20; R. L. Yaeger, 61; Sergeant M. T. Langlais, 54; Corporal E. C. Carrasco, 45; L. M. Behr, 56; A. F. Povey, 40; C. R. Eaton, 62; W. E. Laycock, 64; G. W. Bantel, 18; E. Love, 18; A. W. Fox, 53; Sergeant E. Carr. 38; R. Carr, 9; G. Timmermann, 29; Corporal G. T. O'Neill, 62; Corporal L. A. Crabbe, 44; P. Chatard, 29; R. J. Landini, 28; H. Smith, 43; F. Collins, 14; J. Schunk, 13; W. McGowan, 11; H. Hauegress, 21.

Veterans—Captain J. C. Nagel, 51; Lieutenant H. W. Mitchell, 60; Lieutenant S. H. Stewart, 72; Sergeant F. J. Povey, 76; Sergeant B. Hopkins, 61; C. J. Weatherby, 64; C. B. Heinemann, 71.

Pistol scores—F. J. Povey, 83; Captain J. C. Nagel, 68; P. Lichtenstein, 80; F. R. Diebold, 44; C. J. Weatherby, 65; J. L. Beaumont, 77; C. R. Eaton, 60; T. O'Leary, 56; W. H. Finley, 37; H. McLaughlin, 67; W. E. Laycock, 26; Lieutenant S. H. Stewart, 75; Sergeant C. A. Haufe, 65.

OUR AMBASSADOR IS SOME MARKSMAN; KILLS TWO DEER WITH ONE SHOT.

Berlin (By Mail).—Out hunting with the American Military Attache in Berlin, Colonel Kuhns, Ambassador Gerard killed two small deer with one shot. The colonel on the other hand, fired two shots without hitting a deer!

Did Gerard's friends not know that he was an expert-crack-never-miss-an-aim rifleman, they would think this an accident, but this is the second time this winter that Gerard killed two deer with one shot. Today it happened thus:

Gerard and the colonel went out to the ambassador's game preserve near Berlin. Two small deer appeared. Gerard fired at one. The bullet went through its heart, stock a rib, glanced out the side and went through the second deer. More game appeared and the officer took a shot and another shot, but the deer disappeared.

On their way home Gerard decided he would like to bag a duck for dinner, because Mrs. Gerard's mother is visiting here and likes duck. It was dark. The ambassador spotted one, fired and bagged it. But when he got it home it was too old to eat.

"That's what I get for shooting ducks at night," remarked Gerard smilingly when he reached the embassy.

Sportsmen's Row

Col. E. R. Cuthbert, one of the most prominent hunters on the Pacific coast, left by steamer last Saturday for Panama. He is going after big game and has mapped out several expeditions in quest of alligators. Col. Cuthbert has hunted extensively in Mexico and knows a thing or two about alligators so that his friends need not worry about him falling into a pair of iron jaws. Col. Cuthbert is also going after other game for Panama has been reported as a country where wild game of all description can be found in abundance.

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Captain A. W. duBray is worried because his single barrel will not arrive in time for the opening of the trapshooting season.

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J. Walter Scott is going to show us what a Purdy can do to the rocks when the right time comes.

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Joel S. French is more interested in securing new members for the gun clubs than smashing records. Mr. French goes in for all lines of sporting competitions. He is an enthusiast on field trials.

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Otto Feudner says he will show us some of his new stunts this coming season. If he succeeds the boys had better watch him, for he ranks away up on past performances.

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Guy Clark is already in strict training to get in tip-top shape to hit her up properly at the traps.

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Our friend Tony Prior is working some long distance shots at ducks during the open season. Practicing for the 22-yard mark, I guess.

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I have heard that our favorite, Tom Wilkes, has quit Salt Lake. The answer must be that Tom doesn't wish to miss the opening Golden Gate Club shoot.

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George Thomas is expecting to make things hum with his 34-inch shooting iron. George figures to be right there, too.

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Willard Terrel promises to be a regular visitor every week this season. Willard don't talk much but he certainly can make the smoke fly.

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Colonel Dorsey would never miss a trap shoot if the fishing season was closed for good. At that, the Colonel gets out pretty often for he likes outdoor sports of all descriptions.

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Ed Hoag says Sobrante is the place to have a blue rock shoot. The background looks easy to Ed.

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Some of the rocks that got away last year we will have a chance to get again—Dr. Mac.

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A. G. Wilkes, president of the Pacific Coast Field Trials, is in communication with C. H. Babcock relative to sending back a pair of dogs to the big circuit. Babcock will be remembered as the former handler of the late W. W. Van Orsdall's Del Rey Kennels. He has been quite successful with setters and pointers since invading the East five or six years ago. The dogs Mr. Wilkes has in mind to try their fortune against the best in the country are Kenwood Sam, winner of the derby this year at Bakersfield, and Melrose Rod. S. Christenson is thinking of sending back Orange Blossom, the bitch that was second in the All-Age stake.

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Attention of lovers of a good gun is called to the advertisement in our business section of the Parker Gun. The Parker Gun has won the Great American Handicap nine out of twenty-five offerings—once with a perfect score of 100 straight. It has other great feats to its credit to recommend its use.

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Pete Walsh declares that anyone can shoot dead birds but it takes some expert to win a medal for the live ones. Show it to the boys, Pete.

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Hughie Wobber don't need to have his gun loaded. He can simply stretch his arms and legs a bit and poke the barrel of his gun into the center as the rocks leave the bulkhead.

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It is to be hoped that Barney Worthin has not blown out his long run with the night-sight gun he won.

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Bill Price says the fellow that wrote "O, why should the spirit of mortal be proud," never won a challenge cup in the Golden Gate Club.

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Eugene Forester could make a better score if the turn-up in the discard was a jack. Fifteen two, fifteen four, etc.

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We would see more of Bill Sanborn if Uncle Sam would issue a recall for all the automobiles.

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We hope to see more of our genial friend, Fred Burnham, this year at Alameda. He keeps the boys in good spirits.

If J. Henry Jones could make the smoke fly from the rocks like he does from that old pipe of his he would be the Smokum Kid.

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John Connolly and Rube Harris can be seen every week with a nice string of ducks. No wonder they can always run up a good score on the rocks.

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Bill Higgins thinks the Sacramento Club will take up all of his time and attention. So long, Bill.

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Our genial friend, Pop Merrill, is getting the Moraja Valley club ready for the boys. It will be right up to the minute.

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Larry Middleton can be seen any day at his office pointing his trusty at an imaginary bird. Not much longer to wait, arry.

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One of the old guard, Bill Simonton, is visiting San Francisco. Bill says he wishes he could stay for the grand opening but Du Pont is Du Pont.

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Al Cook is back from the north. Al predicts that he is going to show us how records are made with his brand new Western.

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Ted Riley has ordered about 50,000 new shells. Every blue rock will be a duck that Ted didn't shoot this year.

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It is very noticeable around the Copper Kettle Club that the boys are polishing up their shooting irons for some purpose. Bill says it's signs of blue rocks.

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Bill Stadfeld is going to order a black sweater so that those who shoot can read his shells. Bill will be right there when the season opens.

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Walter Burlingame, the genial treasurer of the San Francisco Chronicle, has an ark on the San Antonio Creek and every week-in finds him hiking for the sausalito ferry. Mr. Burlingame is an ardent devotee of the rod.

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Al Wilson and Bob Sangster get a deal of sport out of their gasoline launch. Both are experts with the rod and reel as well as with the gun and get a deal of sport on the water.

FISHING AND SHOOTING AT A STANDSTILL.

Fishing and shooting around local points has come to a standstill. Comparatively few of the regulars are even venturing out in the bad weather conditions and those that have braved the rain and wind bring back discouraging reports of lack of fish and game. For the past three weeks there has been little or nothing doing.

Predictions are further made that there is little promise of an improvement before the open season closes. The duck season concludes on the last day of this month and the birds will hardly be available while the rain continues. Whole flocks of ducks have been sighted on the bay but sighted only, for they stay far out of gun range.

The near-by streams and creeks are in such condition that the anglers have given up attempts to land any good baskets.

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The California Anglers' Association is going to hold its eleventh annual meeting and smoker on Monday night next at the club rooms, 935 Market street. Members have cordially been invited to attend and join in the fun.

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Ducks have been so scarce in the Suisun marshes that the members of the Cordella Club have closed up for the season. They figured that it was hardly worth while staying open until the bars go up the last day of the month. The storm and rains have played havoc with the sport around the bay points.

H. E. Foster reports that he noticed the first Wilson snipe (Gallinago delicata) on Winters Island, Contra Costa county, on September 27, 1915. Eighteen birds were in the flock but when seen again on October 3rd they were in fewer numbers.

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The San Francisco Striped Bass Club held the annual election of officers on Monday night. Alvin W. Thornton was re-elected president, W. Von Dohlen, vice-president; J. S. Turner, secretary; Charles H. Kewell, treasurer, and N. Rothman, captain. The ladies' night and distribution of prizes was staged Thursday night at a downtown restaurant.

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"In a certain quarter it is recommended that California adopt the game preserve system of Great Britain and Ireland, but that system allows only persons of fortune to hunt, while California follows the theory that fish and game belong to the people of the state unless the legislature permits private rights," said Carl Westerfeld, State Fish and Game Commissioner, in his talk at the weekly luncheon of the League for Home Rule in Taxation.

"One out of every 665 persons hunt in Great Britain while in California the ratio is one to 15.

"Seventy men in Scotland own all the deer shooting privileges. In California 19,000,000 acres are set aside for game preserve, which is equal to the total area of Scotland.

"There are about 5,000,000 hunters in the United States, who, in case of war, would form a large army."

ELK GIVEN TO ALABAMA.

Hon. John H. Wallace, game and fish commissioner of Alabama, received a telegram recently from the keeper of Yellowstone Park informing him that he had caught fifty elk and was ready to ship them to him. They are a gife from the United States to the State of Alabama, and the keeper of Yellowstone Park was busy for some time catching the fifty elk to be presented by Uncle Sam to this State. A bill was passed by the last Legislature authorizing Mr Wallace to bring the elk to Alabama and turn them loose on land suitable for their propagation, on a line north of Calera, which is the natural habitat of the elk. The bill was passed all right protecting the elk in Alabama for a period of ten years, but at the last moment Senator Lusq had an amendment attached to the bill saying that Alabama should not pay any of the freight for bringing the elk to this State. Commissioner Wallace, however, has a scheme on foot to get the railroads to bring the elk through without cost to the State, as he is very much interested in getting this number of elk on Alabama soil. He is of the opinion that with a fair chance they would multiply rapidly, and at the end of ten years would be plentiful enough to make good shooting for those who like to hunt big game.—Big Game Hunter, in American Field.

MOVE MADE TO PROTECT TUNA FISHING.

Plans have been completed for the purchase of a power boat to control the Coast from San Luis Obispo to the Mexican line. In the past the deputies have been forced to depend upon hiring craft to fulfill their duties and they have been at a big disadvantage. The move is in a direction to protect the tuna fishing industry, which is making itself prominent as each year goes by.

A sort of international question presents itself in looking after these fish that have jumped into popularity . The California Fish and Game in commenting on the subject says:

"It is reported that representatives from the Pacific Coast will ask our government to seek the purchase of Lower California from Mexico. Lower California, besides the harbor of Magdalena Bay, possesses valuable fishing resources. Many of the sea fishes taken in California waters spend their spawning season off Lower California. In fact, that is their principal residence and they follow their food into California waters during the summer time. To properly conserve these fish, the most important of which is the long-finned tuna, it will be necessary to protect the young and the spawning fish in Lower California waters. The value of the long-finned tuna pack in California exceeds $1,500,000 a year and the stability of this great industry will depend on the protection the fish get in Lower California. This protection could best be given if the United States government had control, for Mexico has not protected her west coast fisheries in the past and is not likely to do so for some time in the future.

RARE BIRD KILLED BY DUCK HUNTER.

While in Minneapolis recently, Edward Banks of Wilmington, Del., came across a rare bird that had just been killed by a duck hunter on a lake not far from Minneapolis, the bird being shot while flying with a flock of mallards.

This hybrid is a curiosity, the indications being that it is a cross between a mallard drake and a Canada goose, having a glossy or metallic green head and upper neck with the white ring dividing the dark chestnut coloring of the breast and down on the body; the bill is orange yellow; the short wings are mottled; legs and web feet orange yellow; body ashy gray and in size and conformation that of a goose; it weighed when killed ten pounds.

It is certainly a rare avis, and we do not recall another specimen of the kind.

In speaking of the bird Frank G. Simpson of Winnipeg, Man., says: "I have never seen one of the kind, though I have heard of it, and my idea is that it is a mallard drake cross on a Canada goose; if it had weighed less than ten pounds the cross might possibly have been on a Hutchins goose or white front albifrons. I do not think that a full green head and neck would be so likely of production from a gander and mallard duck; moreover, a mallard drake would more easily accomplish the act on a goose on account of his size and activity, whereas a Canada gander would have difficulty in treading so small a bird as a mallard duck. The fact of its having been found amongst mallards might mean that life with them was more congenial than with geese, which are of a very clannish nature and not at all tolerant of other birds associating with them."—American Field.

TELLING THE AGE OF A FISH.

The age of a fish can be determined with accuracy by inspection of the otoliths, or bony concretions, which are found in the auditory apparatus. These otoliths increase in size during the entire life of the fish, each year adding two layers, a light colored layer formed in summer and a dark layer formed in autumn and winter. The alternate layers are sharply contrasted and very distinct, so that there is not difficulty in counting them. The number of pairs of layers is equal to the number of years the fish has lived.—Scientific American.

McCLOUD RIVER SITUATION.

The Fish and Game Commission has learned that at a recent joint meeting of the boards of supervisors of Shasta and Siskiyou counties at Redding, the advisability of condemning, purchasing and throwing open to the public to fish of thirty miles of the McCloud river was considered. The land and water is owned by a number of wealthy people, who have placed barb wires and prohibited anglers from enjoying their favorite sport. In this they are said to be within their rights to control privately-owned property but under political code 4085½, declaring innavigable streams may be declared public highways by action of the county supervisors, there is ground to secure the fishing stream for the benefit of the public at large.

The thirty miles of the McCloud river is said to be one of the finest trout streams anywhere in the country. It extends in Shasta and Siskiyou counties and the supervisors of these counties are being urged to take action. For years the stream has been stocked with trout at the expense of the state. The supervisors seem to be in favor of granting the appeal of the anglers throughout California but are hesitating for lack of available funds with which to purchase the property. In order to get around this difficulty it is said that anglers are willing to raise several thousands of dollars to help defray the expense.

The Fish and Game Commission is on record as approving the contemplated action of the supervisors. It sees no reason for tying up the great trout stream and preventing the anglers of the state from enjoying their favorite sport.

BRUNER WINS VERNON CLUB TROPHY.

Once more the Vernon Gun Club shooters played the great outdoor sport of "dodging the raindrops and getting the targets" Sunday morning and afternoon, when the eleventh fifty-bird contest for the Wilshire trophy was staged. Stanton A. Bruner copped the eleventh leg on this trophy, bringing true his predictions of last week. His score was forty-seven birds broken out of the fifty thrown. He was also winner in class A in the second competition on the four silver loving cups, showing himself to be some shooter when he gets down to business.

C. E. Groat, president of the Vernonites, tied with "Doc" Packard for second high score, each breaking forty-six out of the fifty.

Nineteen shooters in all showed, and all of them competed in the Wilshire competition. The gunners were rather surprised at seeing George Oliver of Hercules fame on the grounds. George broke forty-seven out of the fifty also, which is better shooting than he has displayed in some months. Tough luck for Oliver that he is a professional.

Du Pont Guy Holohan also came out in his new motorboat and broke forty-four.

Sheriff John C. Cline and son, Harry Cline, were also among the tarhawk squelchers to take a crack at the birds. The scores:

Name—	Hdp. Yds.	For cup. Trg.	Brk.	Practice. Trg.	Brk.
R. L. Hall	18	50	40	100	91
William Pugh	18	50	43	50	38
A. W. Bruner	16	50	41	50	39
P. E. Peterson	16	50	45	50	41
George Oliver	16	50	47	75	58
A. L. Cook	16	50	44	50	45
S. A. Bruner	19	50	47	100	94
Harry Cline	18	50	36	25	23
Manderville	16	50	41	50	44
Dierdoff	17	50	43	25	20
Keating	16	50	36	25	20
Dr. Packard	19	50	46	..	..
Guy Holohan	19	50	44	75	63
S. W. Trout	18	50	45	..	..
J. W. Casmer	16	50	33	25	16
H. C. Marshall	16	50	42	75	63
C. E. Groat	16	50	46	75	62
Mrs. C. E. Groat	16	50	42	..	..
C. W. Cline	16	..	..	25	21

SEVEN YEAR OLD LAD A CRACK SHOT.

Seven and a half years—starting from the time when one first sees the light of day—wouldn't seem much time in which to get a start in life, would it?

However, Richard L. Beck, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Beck of Bridgeport, Ohio, hasn't even needed all of this short period to get his name before the people of the Buckeye State and finally, through the press, to the entire country.

Long before Richard was big enough to know for certain whether the big stream that runs near his home is the Atlantic Ocean or the Ohio River, his father began to school him in the use of firearms. A few weeks ago, Richard's parents took him to the local photographer and had his picture taken with a Remington .22 calibre rifle at his side. The picture shows that the rifle, which is only about thirty-nine inches long, reaches up well past the youthful marksman's chin, which is all the more evidence that this particular candidate for the Hall of Fame among shooters is not unusually tall for his age.

Although the people of Belmont county, in which Richard lives, of many of the surrounding counties and particularly of the nearby city of Wheeling, W. Va., had long known of the Bridgeport boy's prowess, Richard did not make his best record until the latter part of 1915 when, shooting at a ⅝-inch bull's-eye from standard distances, he scored 55 out of a possible 60 points with twelve shots, 28 out of a possible 30 with six shots and 23 out of a possible 25 with five shots. This phenomenal shooting attracted so much attention that the story was printed in Wheeling papers and has since found its way into many other publications.

MISSOURI QUAIL FOR WASHINGTON.

A shipment o fone hundred and fifty-six quail has been received in Spokane, Wash., from Kansas City, Mo., completing the consignment of six hundred birds purchased by the Spokane County game and fish commissioners to be distributed in Spokane county this winter. Out of a total of six hundred and one birds shipped to Spokane, five hundred and ninety-nine of the feathered stock arrived in excellent condition. The total cost to the sportsmen of Spokane county for the birds was $1,192.56, of which $1,100 was for the birds and $92.56 for express from Kansas City to Spokane. The cost of the birds is taken from the general game fund, which results from the payment of license fees to the county each year and is turned over to the county commission to improve the bird and fish situation in Spokane county. The birds will be taken out into the country and liberated only on ground where shooting is allowed by the farmers. Where "no shooting" signs are posted, no birds will be distributed. Arrangements have also been completed with the Spokane & Inland and the Washington Water Power Company whereby freight crews of trains running out of Spokane will carry a supply of grain hay to be distributed along the right-of-way as a food supply for the quail and pheasants. The game warden of Spokane will also make trips into the country daily and distribute food for the birds in places not reached by the train crews.

GRAIN DONATED TO FEED STARVING BIRDS OF THE NORTHWEST.

Seattle millers have set an example for aiding the King county game commission to keep the game birds of that section from starving. Recently one firm presented five tons of screenings to the commission, while another sent in two tons. Both contributions were packed in small 10-pound cartons or sacks. The King county game commission mailed the parcels to the children of the rural schools throughout the county for distribution.

Members of the Tacoma game commission have started a campaign in the hope that some of the Tacoma millers will follow the example set in Seattle. They say that help is needed badly or the pheasants and quail are liable to die of starvation.

DEATH OF MR. GEO. L. LYON.

The following press announcement from Albuquerque, New Mexico, will be read with deep regret by every trapshooter in America:

George L. Lyon, 34, of Durham, N. C., amateur champion trapshooter, died here today of tuberculosis. He had been a resident of the city five weeks and was but recently elevated to the thirty-third degree in Masonry.

George L. Lyon has held the undisputed championship as the world's most expert trap shooter since 1911. He won the title in the closing day's shoot of the Westy Hogan tourney, held on Young Ocean Pier, Atlantic City. Lester German, the Maryland professional, was the closest contestant for the inanimate target championship and the "E. C." cup. The two led the field of fifteen best amateurs and professionals in the country, when they tied with 179 out of a possible 200.

German challenged the victor to defend the cup and a meet was arranged for the succeeding month on the grounds of the DuPont Gun Club in Wilmington. "Chief Bull Durham" Lyon, the title he earned athletically, retained the championship of the world, winning from German by a score of 174 to 170, each man shooting at 200 targets. The contestants then shot at 50 targets each under the expert rules, Lyon breaking 40 and German 42.

Because of his expert marksmanship he was selected as a representative from the United States in July, 1912, to the Olympic games in Stockholm, Sweden. He was made coach and captain of twenty good marksmen that made the tour.

He added further laurels to his brilliant career as a trapshooter when in May, 1915, he made a clean sweep of the New York Athletic Club's tenth annual amateur championship at clay targets. He made two new records. The highest score in the history of the sport was made—191 out of 200—beating 143 contestants. In the preliminary championship during the previous April he won with a new record of 191 out of 200.

George Lyon was born in Durham, North Carolina, February 3, 1881. His marriage to Miss Snowden Carr was solemnized on November 6, 1900. Mr. Lyon's mother was Miss Mary Duke, sister of Jas. B. and Benjamin Duke, of New York City, tobacco manufacturers.

His inheritances and accumulations contributed to net him a wealthy income. His personal wealth was estimated at a half million dollars.

CALIFORNIA TROUT SEASON IS BOOSTED.

J. Buchanan Siders of Los Angeles is of the opinion that 1915 was the most successful trout season ever experienced in California. In the following article to an Eastern publication, Mr. Siders has the following to say of the sport:

The trout season in California, which has recently closed, has been the most successful of any ever experienced in the history of the state. This was made doubly sure on account of the great number of visitors here this year, who came to see the expositions. Their California friends would take them to the mountains and the lakes to "lure the speckled beauties."

And it may truthfully be said that more pounds of trout were caught in California this year than in any other state in the Union.

In the early part of the season trout fishing was good in all of the streams which flowed directly into the sea or into some large river. But during the latter part of the season the largest catches were made in the mountain lakes.

Lake Tahoe seemed to be a favorite for the big fellows. Some fine specimens were caught there which weighed over twenty pounds.

One caught in Lake Tahoe by Mr. Gus Hagermann weighed 18 pounds.

Mr. Hagermann made another very successful trip from his home at Rubicon Springs, Lake Tahoe, to Barker Springs, where he found the trout very anxious to take the artificial bait, and he soon landed ten beauties.

Big Bear and Little Bear lakes in San Bernardino county proved to be meccas for the fishermen this season. The trout in these lakes were very lively and seemed to be hungry. They pounced upon every grasshopper and cricket which was so unlucky as to fall into the lakes, and then, when the fishermen cast the lures into the greenish blue waters, there was a rush and a swish and a big fight was on. None of these trout will come out without a terrific battle.

The trout fishing laws in this state seem to be very satisfactory to the fishermen now. The Game and Fish Commission will keep on restocking lakes and streams as they have done and will try to increase the supply of this splendid game fish.

A string of of twenty-five was caught in Little Bear lake by Mr. J. Lenthensee, of Los Angeles, in three hours.

As the trout cannot be taken with pump-guns or caught from a seat in an automobile with any great success, they have a fair chance to escape extermination.

NOTES GATHERED HERE AND THERE.

The members of the Injunction Gun Club of Colusa have each been served with a summons requiring them to appear before the superior court and show cause why they should not be restrained from trespassing on the hunting lands of Ellis & Myers, who have leased the lands of the Moulton Irrigated Lands company for hunting purposes.

The plaintiffs ask that defendants be restrained and enjoined from entering and trespassing upon said leased land, or shooting, killing or driving away ducks, geese and other wild game birds thereon.

That an injunction pendente life be issued.

That plaintiffs have such other, further and different relief as the court may deem just and equitable and for costs of suit.

The defendants were also notified that an action had been brought against them in the superior court by the plaintiffs, Ellis & Myers, and that the complaints in the action had been filed in the office of the county clerk.

They were also directed and required to appear and answer the complaint within ten days after the service of the summons; that if they failed to appear and answer said complaints, judgment will be taken for any money or damages demanded in the said complaint.

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Tom Hunt, keeper of the Glide Gun Club grounds on the Yolo side below Sacramento, was drowned and Pat Bolan, his companion, was rescued from the water after his cries had attracted the attention of a dredger crew.

Hunt and Bolan were returning to the club grounds in a duck boat, which was laden with provisions. When they were within a short distance of the dredge Lisbon, which is at work in the Yolo basin, the boat capsized. Hunt was unable to save himself, and Bolan, who clung to the side of the boat as it whirled over and over, attracted the attention of dredged employes, who rescued him from the water and also recovered the body of hunt.

Hunt had been to Sacramento to see his mother off to San Francisco and was returning to his duties at the club grounds when the accident occurred.

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A man who resides in Arnold, Wis., was recently arrested for shipping one hundred and thirty-seven grouse to a commission man in Chicago. He pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined $640 and costs. The birds were confiscated by the deputy wardens making the arrest. This is said to be the largest fine ever imposed in Wisconsin for violation of the state game law.

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The home of Ty Cobb, the great baseball player, is in Georgia, and each winter after the ball-playing season ends, he spends most of his time game shooting. He has recently become financially interested in a large game preserve in his native state, and every winter henceforth he will indulge his love for hunting to a greater extent than ever before. Ty is said to be a very good game shot, as well as a good ball player. One day recently, with three companions, the quartet bagged sixty-five quail and one wild turkey, and it is said that one of the party exceeded the bag limit.

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THE FARM

THE FERTILIZER SITUATION IN THE UNITED STATES.

Washington, D. C., January 3.—The Secretary of Agriculture today made the following statement regarding the fertilizer situation:

American farmers are confronted by a serious situation in reference to fertilizer materials. As a result of the embargo placed by the German government on the exportation of potash, the supply of this substance has been entirely cut off. Under normal conditions sulphuric acid, which is required for making super-phosphates, is sold for $5.00 or $6.00 a ton. The increased demand for it since the breaking out of the European war has caused the price to rise to about $25.00 a ton. It is impossible therefore for farmers to secure super-phosphates at prices which they have been accustomed to pay. The nitrogen supply is not materially less than usual.

In 1913, when conditions were normal, about $125,280,000 worth of commercial fertilizers was used in the United States. Of this amount, the farmers paid $48,830,000 for nitrogenous substances, $56,000,000 for phosphates, and $20,450,000 for potash salts. Practically all the potash salts were imported from Germany and the entire quantity of nitrate of soda came from Chile. Ammonium sulphate to the value of $3,720,000 was received from abroad, mainly from England. The remainder of the fertilizer materials was derived from domestic sources.

THE POTASH SITUATION.

There is practically no potash in this country at the present time for fertilizer use. The small quantities which were held over from former years are now priced at from eight to twelve times their normal value. The investigations of the Department and the Geological Survey have shown the possibility of producing from American sources an ample supply of potash salts for domestic consumption. These sources are: The giant kelp of the Pacific Coast from Lower California to Alaska; the alunite deposits, mainly in the mountains of Utah; the feldspathic rocks of the eastern part of the United States; and the mud of Searles Lake, in California.

Feldspar and Searles Lake: The production of potash from feldspar is commercially feasible if a salable by-product can be secured at the same time. The suggestion has been made by the Bureau of Soils that cement is a possible product from the feldspar treated to render the potash soluble. But the difficulty of marketing this cement in competition with thoroughly standardized products would be a great deterring factor.

The development of Searles Lake as a source of potash presents a number of unsolved technical problems. In addition, the question of title to the property is so involved that considerable time will elapse before it can be settled. In the meantime nothing can be done.

Alunite.—Alunite, a mineral which evists in considerable quantities in Utah and neighboring States, contains about 11 per cent of potash. It is decomposed by roasting at a temperature of about 700 degrees, with the evolution of oxids of sulphur, and a residue consisting of alumina and potassium sulphate remains. From this residue the potash salt can be obtained readily by leaching and evaporation. The process is simple. The fumes liberated can be used to manufacture sulphuric acid. Alumina resulting as a by-product will be suitable for the manufacture of metallic aluminum. One large company has begun the manufacture of potash from alunite and is reported to have made some preliminary shipments. It is understood that another large concern is about to begin the erection of the necessary plant for the production of potash from this mineral.

Giant Kelp Beds.—An ample supply of potash for the needs of farmers can be obtained from the giant kelp beds. These beds have been surveyed by the Bureau of Soils and a report, accompanied by maps showing in detail their extent and location, recently has been issued. Harvesting is accomplished easily, as the kelp grows in open water and barges fitted with mowing attachments can be used.

For utilizing the kelp several methods are feasible. It may be dried and ground. In this condition it contains all the salts originally present, which are mainly potassium chlorid and sodium chlorid. This material has ideal mechanical properties for use in mixed fertilizers. When the pure potassium chlorid is desired it is necessary to separate the juice from the organic material and then remove the sodium chlorid. The latter can be done readily by recrystallization; but the separation of the juice from the organic material is more difficult, for the reason that the kelp is nonfibrous and in attempts to effect separation by filtration the filters became clogged and unworkable. The problems yet to be worked out commercially are the best methods of drying the wet kelp and of effecting the ready and efficient separation of the plant juices from the organic material. Investigation of these questions has proceeded far enough to indicate that their solution should not be very difficult.

Three large concerns have begun operations for the manufacture of potash from kelp. While potash is indispensable in the preparation of fertilizers, it is also used for many other purposes, including the manufacture of matches, glass, liquid soap, and munitions. The prices offered under existing conditions by the manufacturers of such articles undoubtedly will cause practically the entire output of these concerns to be diverted from the fertilizer industry. It seems unlikely that normal conditions will be restored in the immediate future and that potash can be secured from foreign countries as heretofore in time for the next crop planting season. It also seems improbable that private enterprise will provide potash from domestic sources for agricultural purposes in time. It would require ninety or more plants, costing approximately $50,000 and having an operating capital of about $25,000 each, to produce the quantity needed for agriculture. This would involve the assumption that the commercial phases of the problem were satisfactorily solved. Even if the requisite funds were available, it is a question whether operations could begin in time to provide an adequate supply for the coming year. The Department is investigating all aspects of the question and is planning to send experts to California to study the situation and especially to consider the possibilities of production on a commercial scale.

One fact has operated in a measure to enhance private enterprise in this field. There is no legislation in any of the Pacific Coast States, along whose shores the kelp lies, providing for the leasing of kelp beds. Without leases private investors would have no assurance that plants erected by them would have the necessary control over the kelp within their vicinity. The Department's officers will discuss this matter with the proper authorities in the Pacific Coast States and will urge the necessity of legislation regulating the use of the beds.

THE PHOSPHATE SITUATION.

Acid phosphate is the basis of nearly all commercial mixed fertilizers. It is made by the action of sulphuric acid upon phosphate rock. Our available sources of phosphate rock are greater than those of any other nation. The main supply for domestic consumption and for exportation comes from Tennessee, South Carolina, and Florida. The United States Government, however, owns vast deposits of phosphate rock in Utah, Wyoming, Montana, and neighboring States. These deposits have been withdrawn from private use pending legislation for their utilization and no supply has yet been developed from this source.

In 1914, 2,734,000 tons of phosphate rock were produced in this country. Up to that year about one-half the quantity mined was exported from Europe. The rock in its natural state is not readily absorbed as a plant food. It is made available for this purpose by treatment with sulphuric acid, about 1 ton of the acid being used to a ton of phosphate rock. When thus treated, a super-phosphate containing 14 to 18 per cent of water-soluble phosphoric acid is made. The bulk of the sulphuric acid which enters into the manufacture of acid phosphate is made by fertilizer companies. Practically every fertilizer establishment excepting the cottonseed meal factories) having an annual capacity of 15,000 tons or more operates also a sulphuric acid plant. The demand for the acid is so strong at present that every effort is being made to utilize old and abandoned establishments and to erect new plants. The latter operation is slow and costly on account of the large amount of lead necessary for the construction of acid chambers. Difficulty is also being experienced in securing an adequate supply of pyrites, which is the principal source of sulphur.

The potential sources of sulphuric acid in the United States are ample to produce more than double the present annual output. Few of the lead, zinc, or copper smelting companies using sulphide ores have sulphuric acid plants in connection with their smelters. The fumes discharged into the atmosphere by these smelters are sufficient to produce many thousands of tons of sulphuric acid daily. Under normal conditions, the limited market for the acid and the long haul necessary to reach the market have made it commercially impracticable to convert the fumes into sulphuric acid. It is entirely feasible to erect sulphuric acid plants in connection with the copper, zinc, and lead smelters using sulphide ores. The concentrates of the ores may be roasted in furnaces independent of the smelting plants or the fumes may be delivered direct to the acid chambers.

The erection of acid plants of sufficient capacity to convert the smelter gases would involve an outlay of at least several million dollars. Under normal conditions it would take four months to complete the plants. In the present situation, at least six months would be required. The Bureau of Soils estimates that sulphuric acid could be made by some of the western smelting plants at approximately one-half the normal cost of producing

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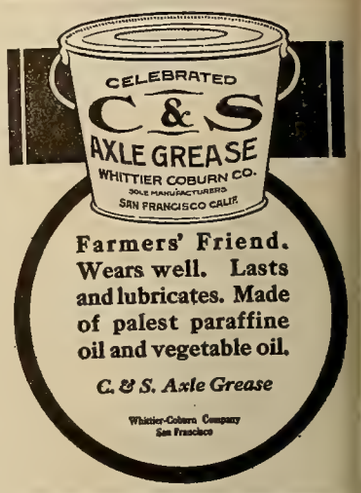
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THE FERTILIZER SITUATION

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the acid in the East where pyrites is used. The saving in cost of manufacture in the west, however, would be partly offset by the long haul necessary to bring the acid to the eastern market.

In view of the difficulties in the way of the production and utilization of sulphuric acid for fertilizer purposes, the Bureau of Soils has endeavored to develop a commercial method, involving the use of the electric furnace, for manufacturing phosphoric acid, which can be used as a substitute. Through this method double super-phospate, which will contain 40 to 50 per cent of water-soluble phosphoric acid, or the still more concentrated form of ammonium phosphate, could be secured. But the use of the electric furnace for the purpose is commercially feasible only where phosphate rock, coal, and cheap water power are readily available. The Department is investigating this matter to ascertain whether there are localities where these conditions exist and where, therefore, double super-phosphate may be made.

THE NITROGEN SITUATION.

The nitrogen situation is of less pressing concern. Cottonseed meal forms the bulk of the nitrogenous substances entering into commercial fertilizers. The amount available for fertilizer use is dependent upon the annual production of cotton and the demand for the meal for feeding stuffs. The supply of dried blood and tankage, also sources of nitrogenous material, is dependent upon the number of animals slaughtered. Only a few large packing concerns conserve these products, which are now used to a considerable extent as cattle feed as well as for fertilizer purposes. Investigations of the Bureau of Soils have shown that there is a large amount of waste from the fisheries and fish canneries, especially on the Pacific Coast and in Alaska. This material could and should be made into fish scrap, which would have a value of about $1,200,000 for fertilizer purposes.

Owing to the demand for nitric acid for munition purposes, the price of nitrate of soda advanced approximately $1.10 per hundred pounds during the year prior to November, 1915. Only a very small percentage of the nitrates imported from the Chilean beds goes into fertilizers, being mainly incorporated in special brands for greenhouse and trucking purposes. This item alone, therefore, will not cause much embarrassment to American farmers.

One of the most important sources of nitrogen for commercial fertilizer purposes is ammonium sulphate. This is produced as a by-product in the destructive distillation of coal for the preparation of coke. The nitrogen contained in the coal is evolved as ammonia and is caught and neutralized with sulphuric acid. Formerly all coke was made in the beehive oven which did not provide for the confinement of the combustible gases produced. These were burned as evolved and the ammonia carried by them was likewise lost. The domestic production of ammonium sulphate from the coke oven is only one-fifth of what it could be were the beehive oven entirely displaced by more modern types. During the past few years there has been a slow transition from the use of the beehive oven. It is not imperative, therefore, to resort to extreme measures to increase the production of ammonia.

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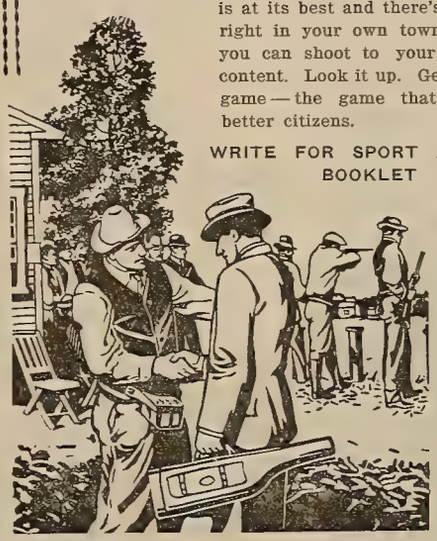
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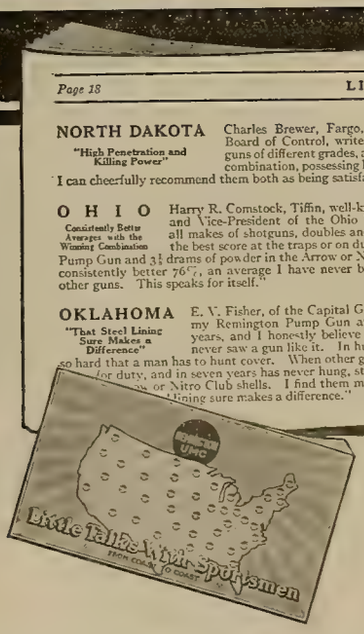
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"But the dear, good man—the reformer—on the other hand, puts me down and the fellow who earned my $7.60 as a criminal for betting on horses, and let me tell you that he considers himself perfectly justified by placing me outside of the pale of decent citizenship even in this age of common sense and liberal ideas. Is he justified? Surely not, and I can tell him why.

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TALKING IT OVER WITH VERNON.

If there is anything in this world for which I have less use than a hair brush it is a rainy day around a race track, so when I landed at Pleasanton Driving Park last Saturday in the rain I was up against it. Making a very extensive round of the stables was clearly out of the question, so I decided that about as good a thing as I could do to pass away the time would be to drop around and have a little talk with my old friend Vernon McKinney, whom I really hadn't seen to speak to since 'way along in the summer. I had been reading in a number of eastern exchanges that he was going to emigrate to Canada, or had already done so, and I wanted to see what he had to say about the matter. I found him very comfortably fixed up for a rainy day in the old familiar quarters in the first row of stalls at the MacKenzie plant, just picking his teeth after having had a very enjoyable sort of a lunch.

"Well, well, well," he chuckled as I stepped into the stall and shut the lower part of the door to keep out a raw wind, "look what the high water brought down! Say, you are quite a stranger, ain't you? If you wasn't looking for a stud ad you wouldn't be here now, I don't suppose, but sit down and stay awhile, anyway. A horse likes to have green things come in the spring, and God knows there's a whole lot of 'em that ain't grass." I let that sink in for a minute and then I told him about what the eastern papers said about him and Canada. He was peeved something awful.

"Where do them guys get that noise, anyway?" he snorted, after I had explained the situation to him. "Canada? Why should I go to Canada? Of course, if Rod needed me up there I'd just as soon go as not, but he already sent for Joe and Quintell, and they ought to be enough. I ought to stay here in California for awhile yet, anyway. You see, now that grandpaw has been gone down east for such a long time and is beginning to get old, California sort of seems more than ever like the place where I ought to live always. You see, I am the fastest member of our whole family, Uncle Coney and Aunt Sweet Marie being the only ones of paw's folks to go anywhere near my clip, while none of my cousins has ever got down to it yet either, and this, as well as having a few kids of my own growing up, has give me a feeling of responsibility that I didn't have at all in them happy days back up at Stockton when I was going to school to Willis Parker. I used to get out and hell around and go down the Grand Circuit and all them sort of things that a feller in my line does before he knows any different, but now I don't ask anything better than to stay here at home and watch my kids grow up.

"Take into consideration the number of our family that used to live here in California and there ain't such a lot of us left now, at that. Of course there are several uncles of mine still sticking around out here and all giving good accounts of themselves, and I've got a few cousins here that are making a name in the world, like that boy Wilbur down there at Hemet, and him and me both are going to be led a dog's life by them flyaway kids of ours, I'm afraid. One of his boys is here on this track now, and they say he is the hot-dog speed burner of all these California two-year-old trotters, and while my boys ain't bothering me so much I've got a girl or so that are plumb pests. That Verna thing that lives down there back of the Rose Hotel, now, they tell me is the fastest skirt of her age and gait in this whole country, but you got to give her some allowances. Her half-brother, Del Rey, used to be a wolf on wheels when the price was right, and then around a hotel is a mighty poor place to raise a girl if you want to keep her one of these sedate slow pokes that never gets out of a Sunday School jog. Believe me, Bill, I didn't race all over the country without learning some things, not me.

"So I reckon you just better break it easy to them folks down east that writes about me being in Canada to forget it, as California looks pretty good to me right now and always has. Now that I've been back home here regular for the last two or three years I'm getting a pretty wide circle of friends, especially among the ladies, and all of these things add to the comforts of home. Christmas and New Years I got a lot of cards from girls that I've met that said they would drop in and see me along during the spring, and I'd hate to have any of them disappointed. I get my mail here regular and am going to continue to do so if anybody asks you, and if nobody asks you you can tell 'em anyway. You fix me up in that paper and send the bill to Rod. Going? Well, that's the way with you guys. I allowed you would as soon as you got the ad order.

"Well, drop around any time, and remember me to any of my friends that you run across, and say, when you go past the end room up there stop in and tell that big stiff DeRyder to have the boys dig me up some better hay now that I'm going to have my name in print again regularly; this last bale is stemmy as hell!" and he shut the door and I was out in the rain again.

THE MORGAN REGISTER.

We have recently received through the courtesy of the American Publishing Company, Middlebury, Vermont, of which concern the late Joseph Battell was the guiding spirit, Volume Number Three of the American Morgan Register, the accepted official publication which performs for the Morgan horse the same service that is rendered the trotter by the American Trotting Register and the thoroughbred by the American Stud Book. Many Morgan horses are also standard trotters, and the needs of breeders in the main are served by the trotting register, but for the man who specializes in producing the horse of the family founded generations ago by Justin Morgan in the Vermont hills, the American Morgan Register will be found indispensable. The same care is given to its preparation that characterizes the compilation of its kindred works, so that full dependence may be placed in all statements made and pedigrees presented, and the work is further enhanced by the numerous photographic likenesses of famous Morgan horses which appear at frequent intervals throughout its pages. The price of Volume Three is five dollars, and the publication may be ordered direct or through this office by breeders who desire to add it to their library.

NEW AUSTRALASIAN RECORD.

The Australasian record of 2:08 3-5 held jointly by King Cole and Emmeline was lowered materially some days since over the Metropolitan course at Addington, New Zealand, by the seven-year-old mare Country Belle, who established new figures of 2:07 1-5. She was driven in the great performance by her breeder and owner, J. W. Moreland, and was accompanied by the pacemaker Kingsway, ridden by Freeman Holmes, who has many friends on this side the water. Later she was sent for the two-mile record and annexed this as well, going the double distance strongly in 4:22 4-5, a reduction of Denver Huon's mark by nearly six seconds. The new champion is a daughter of Wild Moor and Bonnie Belle by Lincoln Yet, a son of Irvington.

Looking Over *the* Horses *of* W. G. Durfee

BEING THE LAST OF THE LOS ANGELES VISITS

For about two weeks now I have been dragging you folks around in the mud at Exposition Park, Los Angeles, trying to give you an idea of the trotters and pacers that are being wintered there, and to the best of my knowledge and belief we have seen about all of them except a few carloads in the stable of William G. Durfee. Since these Los Angeles stories began the colony there has been visited by one or two amateur floods, and I doubt if they have made much speed as yet, though some of the boys may have had a little practice in building skiffs or rafts. The drainage in the immediate vicinity of Exposition Park is not the best in the world when taxed beyond a certain limit, and I imagine that when that four and some odd fractions inches of water landed all at once a few days ago things became fairly damp both inside and outside the barns. However, no word of serious inconvenience to trainers or sickness to horses as a result of the visit of the storm king has been received here, and while the rain has persisted pretty steadily things down there have about gotten around to normal once more. The track gets in shape pretty rapidly when the sun once gets a fair shot at it, and while training operations have been considerably retarded ever since late in December the boys will soon make up for lost time when they once get to work in earnest.

Last week we saw the horses of all the smaller strings, with the exception of those looked over the previous week, and the half dozen head that Durfee included in his first plans for a campaign down the big line this year. Will's horses are scattered through three stables and several paddocks, so if you will borrow a pair of rubber boots from Little Henry or Big Kelley (according to the size of your underpinning) we will toddle around in tow of the deputy sheriff for a few moments and endeavor to get a line on the horses that he will probably leave here to race over the California circuit, as well as the band of young things from among which he will also make a strenuous endeavor to produce the winners of the local futurities in 1916, and the draft of babies whose active careers will not begin for another year or so but who are getting their first lessons in trotting and pacing now while their notions are yet in the formative period.

Of the record horses which we have not seen there are an even half a score, mostly trotters and mostly four-year-olds or over, though four of the record holders yet have futurity engagements to fill as three-year-olds. Rags heads the trotting brigade both in point of age and performance, he being the only one of the delegation of this gait which we are inspecting this morning to possess a record faster than the 2:10 mark. Always an overgrown sort of a colt, this fellow has developed into a veritable whale of a horse, big enough and husky enough to do the work of an ordinary drafter, from all appearances. He has been turned out all summer and came in for his winter work in excellent shape, sound and hearty and full of life. He has been a useful horse previously and Will has him set down for a lowered record this season. His brother in blood, Nicola B. (3) 2:18½, winner of the Oregon Futurity as a two-year-old and contending trotter in the Panama-Pacific stake for three-year-olds at the June meeting, has also had a rest of several months and is growing into a nice sized horse, though not of such gargantuan proportions. They are bred quite similarly, one being by Del Coronado and the other by Carlokin, while their dam is the famous matron Atherine, dam also of Copa de Oro 2:01, etc. Bred as they are, it will be a matter of considerable interest to watch their future development along speed making lines, as a basis for comparison of the speed siring capacities of Carlokin and Del Coronado. At that, however, the test will not be an absolutely equable one, as both lads have had a bit of bad luck at one time or another, though neither shows signs of the same at present.

Carl (3) 2:14¼, who made his record just before the close of the year and after he had practically been let down for the winter, would in all probability have trotted in 2:10 as a three-year-old with any sort of luck at all, but he was an unfortunate little scamp, running foul of minor troubles at different times through the season, none of them more than temporary in nature but sufficiently annoying at the time to set him back quite a little. In his first races he was inclined to leave his feet for Durfee Senior, who had the mount behind him in his engagements, but later on he settled to his work like a real trotter and went some very nice races, being the most consistent of the fields that went down steadily before the prowess of Allie Lou. He was consigned to the Chicago sale along with the several others that went to that auction from the Durfee stable, but he was such an honest little fellow that his owner and trainer decided to give him another chance. At that he may be sold before the racing season rolls around, as various parties have made overtures for his purchase at private sale, and anything in the Durfee stable is let go when a price is agreeable to all concerned. While Carl is the last of the produce of My Irene S. to be seen at the races, there is yet another member of the line in the stable at present with a record, the now three-year-old chestnut colt Manuelito (2) 2:24½, that broke into the list for the first time on the same day that witnessed Carl's last performance. Clarence Berry, who has not yet let any of the My Irene S. youngsters get away from him since he purchased Esperanza, paid Durfee a long price for this fellow when he was only a few days old and apparently has no grounds for regrets for the action. As a yearling, with the little education he received, Manuelito showed quite a turn of natural and early speed, but he began growing at such a rate that not much was done with him and he was put in the list last month more for the benefit of his dam than for the purpose of giving the public any line on his real quality. He is a nice color, smoothly turned, and to my way of thinking the making of a most attractive type of a trotting stallion. He is an upstanding fellow, with a nice crest, and a good head and eye—one that looks to have a lot of the things that combine to make the one word "quality." Whether he has that look about the head and eye that is the "birthright of eagles" and great horses, according to some critics, I am not prepared to say, but for a youth of his years he has a "presence" that gives you the idea that you are looking at a great colt.

Byron (3) 2:15½, who annexed most of the three-year-old money that got away from Allie Lou and Carl last season, has not yet begun to put on as much winter flesh as he might carry but he is rounding into nice shape gradually. He was the surprise of the stable as a two-year-old but did not do quite so well last season as was expected of him early in the season, but Will inclines to the idea that he will make an excellent trotter with a little maturity. Whether or not it is the intention of Mr. Erkenbrecher to have him raced over the California tracks this season I am not aware, but he looks to me like a colt that would not only appreciate a year's let-up but one that would be considerably benefitted thereby. Miss Rico (2) 2:21¼, the Manrico—Subito filly that obtained her record in the race with Anvilite at the spring meeting at the exposition, has not made very much growth during the summer, but is a hardy looking thing and in excellent shape. She is the very first performer for her sire and I would not be surprised to see her break into the 2:10 list this season, as she has a lot of whizz. Last spring over the hard track at the big fair she was a little inclined to pace once or twice, but I don't hold that against her for a minute, and she has demonstrated her real class as a baby speed marvel by trotting an eighth in fourteen and a half seconds. Hermes (2) 2:16½, who represented for the stable in the fall stakes for the junior trotters, is another juvenile racer of much promise. He is a very late colt, having been foaled well along in the summer, and has made an excellent showing under all circumstances, being separately timed at Pleasanton in 2:15¼. He is a nicely put together lad, sound and smooth, and if he goes ahead and lives up to his early showing and his pedigree he will make quite a trot horse some of these days. He is by Carlokin and out of Miss Quealey, full sister to Manrico, a colt whom Messrs. Chandler, Geers, Cox, McMahon, Dickerson, Murphy, Andrews, Shank and some others may possibly recall as winner of the Kentucky futurity in 1912.

Last but not least of the record trotters in the stable is the gray gelding John Warwick (2) 2:17, whom Willie Durfee may possibly recall as the winner of the junior division of the Breeders' futurity here in California the following year, though the "recommembrance" is perhaps more pleasing to one Charles A. Durfee, that being one of the most recent occasions upon which that gentleman had the pleasure of administering a decisive trimming to "that kid of mine." Warwick bears the distinction of being one of the two horses that ever put it over Esperanza during her career as a futurity trotter, Bon Courage being the other one, but he had a couple of seasons of idleness, owing to a bit of an injury to one of his rear propellers. He could have been trained and raced last season, but there was no especial call for his services and he was allowed to run on, coming up this winter with all traces of his former mishaps entirely removed. He is a real horse by all natural inclinations and early indications, and Will has him tagged as the coming gray ghost trotter of this generation. His pedigree is a sturdy one that brings up memories of days gone by, being by Carlokin and out of Alameda Maid by Eros (sire of Dione 2:07¼ and the dams of Bernice R. 2:07¼ and The Roman 2:09½), grandam Oakland Maid 2:22 by Speculation, great grandam Lady Vernon 2:29½, whom Chester credits with winning a number of races in the fifties and from whom comes the color carried by the present representative of the line, its descent through the dams mentioned having been unbroken.

The record sidewheelers, aside from those previously visited, are but two in number, and are rather "chestnutty" from the color standpoint, but they are of championship caliber, either world or season. Rayo de Oro (3) 2:07¼, who broke the jinx that dogged the footsteps of the Copa de Oros whenever they set sail for a world's record over the Phoenix track, is putting on flesh in a very pleasing manner and has all the appearance of a gelding that will do to race either east or west, though he is hardly so rugged as his brother Pat, whom we visited some days ago in the Stewart stable and whose picture adorned our cover page last week. Rico (2) 2:12¼, whose performances last season stamped him as the country's fastest pacing colt for the age for the moment, looks like a coming champion and is evidently so regarded by his new owner, Mr. Clarence J. Berry, as I refuse to tell you the price that Clarence put on him in answer to my query as to the same, I being of the opinion that he might prove a good horse for a certain friend of mine to own. Suffice it to say that the figures were of a proportion that augur well for the present and future market value of really good young things, and if I were Berry I would probably want about as much for him myself. He is husky as a stall fed steer of a like age, is sound as a piece of well seasoned oak, and has as much right to become a world beater as the next one. He is Manrico's second performer (the pair in the Durfee stable constituting that rising young sire's total representation to date) and his dam is a high strung daughter of Petigru and Subito, known as Pavlowa B. This mare is the first standard trotter bred by Mr. Berry, unless my ideas have slipped a cog some place, and while possessed of considerable trotting speed she had too much vinegar to make it of value, running away and cutting herself badly while being broken and never raced thereafter, though trialing close to 2:20. Rico has some notions that are not the most pleasing in the world and in his early work was inclined to be the boss of the tan yard in his own right, but he is getting over these little faults as he grows older and he races as well as any man's colt, being well behaved in company and game. There is a mighty warm bunch of three-year-old pacers to contest in this year's stakes, and this boy ought to be one of the warmest. There is one other pacer in the bunch that has a well developed turn of speed, a six or seven-year-old bay gelding by Del Coronado and out of Little Agnes (dam of Jupiter B. 2:12) by Gossiper. This fellow carries the Spanish appellation of Del Oeste (The Westerner) and has had a let-up of considerable duration, being now at a point at which William G. believes he will stand training and racing. As a three-year-old he trialed in 2:09, and if he "comes back" and stands the gaff he will have been well worth carrying along.

This tells the tale for the Durfee string insofar as record or developed horses are concerned, and the easiest way to get over the younger ones is to do it systematically, by ages, so we will start in with the

THREE-YEAR-OLDS:

Carina, bay filly by Carlokin—Atherine (dam of Copa de Oro, etc.); trotter, quarter last spring in 37 seconds.

Black gelding by Walter Barker 2:19¼, dam by Constantine 2:12½, trotter, owned in Pasadena.

TWO-YEAR-OLDS:

Bay filly by Copa de Oro—Subito, pacer; Will remarked to me some months ago, shortly after the June meeting at the exposition, that this was the only poor foal that Subito ever had given birth to, but William's opinion at that time merely bears out the old time theory that it is impossible to tell merely by looking at a baby boy whether he is going to be a preacher, a prize fighter, a horse trainer or a lawyer. At any rate, that decision has been reversed and there is no bargain price tag hanging on the door of the stall occupied by this young lady. As a weanling and as a yearling she was a poor doer, but some weeks ago she began coming alive and is doing famously. She knows nothing but pace.

Bay filly by Copa de Oro—Rita H. 2:12½ (dam of Byron (3) 2:15½) by McKinney, double gaited but apparently a promising prospect when squared away for either gait; owned by Byron Erkenbrecher.

Bay colt by Carlokin—Zephyr (dam of Virginia Barnette (3) 2:08¼), not the biggest boy of his age in the world but horse all over. Will be a little more substantial than Virginia, and will trot. A late foal.

Brown colt by Crescendo B. trial 2:12¾ (brother to Copa de Oro 2:01), dam by Zombro 2:11, a trotter; owned by E. E. Sherwood, Strathmore, Cal.

Bay filly by Crescendo B., dam a sister to White Sox 2:05¼, a pacer; owned by Mr. Sherwood, who also owns her sire and her dam, the latter being at present in foal to Carlokin.

Chestnut filly by Copa de Oro—Pavlowa B. (dam of Rico (2) 2:12¼) by Petigru 2:10½; contrary to what might be expected at first thought, this lass is a very nice trotter, rather than a pacer.

Bay colt (full brother to Chango (3) 2:12¼) by Copa de Oro—Lady H. by Del Coronado; a pacer that will probably represent for the stable in this year's juvenile events, as he is at present considered the real goods.

Troubadour, bay colt (full brother to Esperanza (3) 2:09), by Carlokin—My Irene S. by Petigru; a substantial fellow from whom the Durfee-Berry combination expects a good deal in the future. He is a nice smooth colt, of fair size, and has not yet made up his mind exactly what he is going to do. Most of the work that he has had has been on the trot, but he has shown some slight pacing inclinations and his future is still in doubt.

Bay colt by Copa de Oro—Lilly Mac 2:24¼ (dam of Gold Lily (2) 2:24½) by McKinney; a nice gaited pacer.

Bay colt by Carlokin—Salonika, Copa de Oro's first foal, grandam Vela McKinney 2:23¾ by McKinney, great grandam Black Swan (dam of two) by Alta Vela, etc.; a trotter and a very nice one at that.

THE YEARLINGS:

There are a dozen of these little scamps up in the Durfee stalls at present, stabled for the most part in pairs. They are a bunch that are going to require a lot of space from turf writers in years to come,

judging from the way they are bred and their general appearance at this time, so they won't be sore or feel slighted if details are not gone into concerning them just now, as the typewriter tells me, for the third time since I started these long-winded visits with the Angelenos, that the space laid out for this particular story is rapidly being filled to overflowing. For the time being suffice it to say that they are all sons or daughters of Carlokin or Copa de Oro, and out of the mares enumerated in other pedigrees in the preceding paragraphs. They are bays and chestnuts, mostly bays, and show that they are well bred and well fed, both items of vital importance in considering yearlings. Just now they are taking life very easily indeed, but before long their actual education will be well under way, and before many months have passed we will be hearing of this fellow Durfee winning a futurity with one of them. Don't you reckon so?

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With the conclusion of this third and last of my epistles of the Angelenos, I believe that I have given readers of the Breeder and Sportsman a pretty fair idea of what is going on at the track there among the harness horse folks, and if I have overlooked anybody or anybody's horse I extend assurance right now that it was through accident and not by design. I believe there are a few people who are jogging horses at the track who are not stabled there at this time, and these got by me simply because I did not know where to catch them. Anyone in that locality who has a horse in training that escaped attention in these stories will confer a favor upon the writer by sending news of the same to this office, that we may make a proper mention of it. Moreover, it's a long ways from this office to Los Angeles, the writer doesn't make the trip very often, and we will appreciate the co-operation of every horseman in keeping us and our readers advised as to what goes on there during the winter and spring. Nobody is barred, and communications are welcome at all times. Don't forget the number.—[N.]

GOVERNMENT LIVE STOCK REPORT.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 18.—A summary of estimates of numbers and values of live stock on farms and ranges on January 1 for California and for the United States, compiled by the Bureau of Crop Estimates (and transmitted through the Weather Bureau), U. S. Department of Agriculture, is as follows:

HORSES.

State: Number, 493,000, compared with 503,000 a year ago and 483,000 five years ago. Value per head, $96, compared with $100 a year ago and $117 five years ago.

United States: Number, 21,200,000, compared with 21,195,000 a year ago and 20,277,000 five years ago. Value per head $101.60, compared with $103.33 a year ago and $111.46 five years ago.

MULES.

State: Number, 70,000, compared with 74,000 a year ago and 71,000 five years ago. Value per head, $110, compared with $120 a year ago and $133 five years ago.

United States: Number, 4,560,000, compared with 4,479,000 a year ago and 4,323,000 five years ago. Value per head, $113.87, compared with $112.36 a year ago and $125.92 five years ago.

MILCH COWS.

State: Number, 568,000, compared with 541,000 a year ago and 495,000 five years ago. Value per head, $69, compared with $72 a year ago and $48 five years ago.

United States: Number, 22,000,000, compared with 21,262,000 a year ago and 20,823,000 five years ago. Value per head, $53.90, compared with $55.33 a year ago and $39.97 five years ago.

OTHER CATTLE.

State: Number, 1,550,000, compared with 1,480,000 a year ago and 1,546,000 five years ago. Value per head, $36.30, compared with $39.30 a year ago and $23.50 five years ago.

United States: Number, 39,500,000, compared with 37,067,000 a year ago and 39,679,000 five years ago. Value per head, $33.49, compared with $33.38 a year ago and $20.54 five years ago.

SHEEP.

State: Number, 2,450,000, compared with 2,500,000 a year ago and 2,683,000 five years ago. Value per head, $5.00, compared with $4.50 a year ago and $3.59 five years ago.

United States: Number, 49,200,000, compared with 49,956,000 a year ago and 53,633,000 five years ago. Value per head, $5.17, compared with $4.50 a year ago and $3.91 five years ago.

SWINE.

State: Number, 947,000, compared with 877,000 a year ago and 790,000 five years ago. Value per head, $8.40, compared with $10.50 a year ago and $9.50 five years ago.

United States: Number, 68,000,000, compared with 64,618,000 a year ago and 65,620,000 five years ago. Value per head, $8.40, compared with $9.87 a year ago and $9.37 five years ago.

Minor Heir 1:58½, one of the great array of pacing champions owned at M. W. Savage's International 1:55 Horse Farm, Savage, Minn., has been leased for the breeding season of 1916 to the Tennessee horseman, J. W. Alexander, and will be in service at Murfreesboro. He should be both popular and successful in that locality.

Proposed Changes in A. T. A. Rules

TO BE CONSIDERED FEBRUARY FIFTEENTH

To Members of the American Trotting Association:

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 2, Chapter 12, of the By-Laws, I herewith submit report and recommendations of the Committee on Revision of By-Laws and Rules, adopted by said Committee at a meeting held in the office of the Association, Tuesday, January 11, 1916.

The American Trotting Association's Committee on Revision of By-Laws and Rules at its meeting on January 11 recommended the adoption of the following amendments to the rules by the Congress of the A. T. A. to be held in Chicago, Tuesday, February 15, 1916:

Rule 13.—Add to this rule the following: A member may elect to have but one judge, who shall be appointed by the American Trotting Association; in such case the member shall apply to this Association thirty (30) days before its meeting and shall deposit with the secretary of the Association the amount fixed for such service. Such judge shall not act as starter at the same meeting.

Rule 13.—As amended, will read: "In every exhibition, race or performance against time over the track of a member, the Presiding Officer, or Manager of the member, shall appoint or authorize the appointment of three men, who are familiar with the rules, to act as judges. He shall also appoint three persons who are competent to act as timers. He shall employ a licensed starter to start the horses, and appoint some competent person to act as clerk of the course. A member may elect to have but one judge, who shall be appointed by the American Trotting Association; in such case the member shall apply to this Association thirty (30) days before its meeting and shall deposit with the secretary of this Association the amount fixed for such service. Such judge shall not act as starter at the same meeting."

Rule 23.—Add after the word "race" in the second line "or matinee," and after the words "public race" in the sixth line add "or matinee."

Rule 23.—As amended, will read: "If a horse has ever performed in a public race or matinee, the last name under which it performed shall be given in the entry; and if the name has been changed within one year, each name it has borne during that time must be given; and if any horse without a name has ever performed in a public race or matinee, mention must be made in the entry of a sufficient number of its most recent performances to enable interested persons to identify the horse."

Rule 39.—After the word "conditions" in the fourth line add "the judges' book"; and also at the end of the rule add the following: "All entries must be made to the individual members. Circuit entries shall not be accepted to sustain suspensions."

Rule 39.—As amended, will read: "No suspensions for non-payment of entrance fee shall be lawful unless ordered within fourteen days (omitting Sunday) of the close of the meeting, and accompanied by the published conditions, the judges' book, the original entry and envelope bearing the postmark, if transmitted through the mails. No suspension shall be imposed for non-payment of such fee contracted in a class wherein the horse was permitted to start, except where credit is extended and in any case when the member has applied for membership subsequent to the closing of its entries, such suspensions shall be unlawful unless notice of intended membership has been given prior to the closing of the entries. All entries must be made to the individual members. Circuit entries shall not be accepted to sustain suspensions."

Rule 51.—After the word "race" in the third line cut out: "If the same is claimed by the nominator when making the entry." Also add to the rule the following: "All time allowances, under the rules or published conditions must be claimed at the time of making the entry and appear thereon."

Rule 51.—As amended, will read: "A horse with a record shall be allowed one second for each year, if raced, in which he fails to equal or reduce his record or win a race. Other allowances may be granted if so stated in the published conditions. All time allowances under the rules or published conditions must be claimed at the time of making the entry and appear thereon."

Rule 61.—Change so as to read: "Hopples of any kind or form shall not be used in races or in performances against time on three-year olds and under."

"Any person or member of this Association violating or permitting the violation of this rule shall be fined not less than one hundred dollars ($100), to which may be added suspension or expulsion."

New rule, after Rule 72.—"The starter must not solicit entries, distribute entry blanks or act as agent for any meeting at which he is employed to act, or do anything that is likely to divert entries from one member to another."

Rule 75.—Add after the word "score-cards" 'in the last line the following: "He must also preserve the timers' certificates and place them in the envelope in the front part of the judges' book."

Rule 75.—As amended, will read: "The clerk of the course may at the request of the judges assist in drawing the positions of horses before the race, or other similar duties, and shall keep a book in which shall be recorded the name of each driver or rider, and colors worn. He shall not the time when a heat is finished, and shall notify the judges, or ring the bell, at the expiration of the time allowed between heats; he may assist the judges in placing the horses at the finish of the heat. He shall record in the judges' book an account of every race, in the following form, to-wit:

"First, the system or plan under which the races are held; next, all horses entered and their pedigrees, and the names of the drivers, or riders; next, the starting horses and the positions assigned them; next, a record of each heat, giving the position of each horse at the finish; then, the official time of each heat, and, at the end an official summary of the race, giving the drawn, distanced and ruled out horses, if any there be. He shall record all protests, fines, penalties and appeals and shall check and see that the colors and numbers worn by the drivers agree with the score-cards. He must also preserve the timers' certificates and place them in the envelope in the front part of the judges' book."

Rule 89.—After the word "last" in the twenty-first line add the word "advertised," to conform with the balance of the rule. Also in the same line scratch out the words, "of the week."

Rule 89.—As amended, will read: "In case of unfavorable weather or other unavoidable cause, members shall postpone to a definite hour the next fair day and good track (omitting Sunday), all stakes upon giving notice thereof; they may exercise this power before or after the race has commenced. Any purse race, or installment plan purse, that closed the same year in which it is to be contested, that has not been started by five o'clock p. m. on the last advertised day of the week to which the member has limited its meeting during the months of May, June, July and August, and four o'clock p. m. during the balance of the year, shall be declared off. When a purse, or class race, is declared off, under this rule, the entrance money shall be returned to the nominator. When an installment plan purse is declared off, under this rule, the entrance money and forfeits shall be divided equally among the nominators eligible to start. Any purse race, or installment plan purse, that closed the same year in which it is to be contested, that has been started or remains unfinished on the last advertised day to which the member has limited its meeting, shall be declared ended and the money divided according to the summary."

Rule 92.—Scratch out the words "after starting in a public race" in the third line and after the word "and" and at the end of the second line add "if the horse has been registered by the American Trotting Register Association or has started in a public race or matinee." Also cut out the amount of the fine; and after the word "requirement" in the eighth line, "the winnings become illegal and."

Rule 92.—As amended, will read: "Every horse shall be named and the name correctly and plainly written in the entry, and if the horse has been registered by the American Trotting Register Association or has started in a public race or matinee, such name shall not be changed, without procuring a record thereof, to be made in the office of the secretary of this Association. For each violation of this requirement the winnings become illegal and a fine may be imposed, together with the suspension of the horse until paid, and no horse shall be thus recorded by a name that has been recorded for another horse.

"Provided, that when a recording fee has been paid to The National Trotting Association or the change of name has been required by the American Trotting Register Association for the purpose of registration, no recording fee shall be charged by this Association. Certificates from the aforesaid associations to be furnished that the recording fee has been paid or the name was required to be changed, as the case may be."

Rule 117.—Add after the word "collected" in the first line the words, "from drivers."

Rule 117.—As amended, will read: "All fines collected from drivers, by The American Trotting Association, shall be deposited in a special Trust Fund for the benefit of disabled or needy drivers, disbursements to be made by a board consisting of one driver, one owner and three directors of The American Trotting Association, to be appointed prior to each meeting by the president, they to meet at the same time as the Board of Appeals. In an emergency the president may act."

New rule, after Rule 140.—"Nothing in Rules 138, 139 or 140 shall prohibit the judges from setting a horse back one or more places if, in their judgment, that is sufficient punishment."

The following preamble and resolution was unanimously passed and recommended to the members for adoption at the Congress:

"Whereas, the American trotter and pacer, by registration and improvement thus made feasible, has become the recognized highest type and best established family in the animal kingdom, and

"Whereas, In racing horses for the greatest improvement of the type, many cases of ringing and false pedigree have and will, until checked, cause trouble and large loss to honest horsemen devoted to the breeding and racing industry, and

"Whereas, the most positive and available check upon such fraud is shown by long experience to be

classification and certain identification.

"Now, therefore, be it Resolved, That the board of directors be and is hereby instructed and directed in association and concurrence with The National Trotting Association, or its board of directors, to devise and promulgate a system of rules and regulations requiring all horses now or hereafter engaged in trotting or pacing races, to be registered with the American Trotting Register Association, as a pre-requisite to the eligibility of such horses to participate in any trotting or pacing races, under the rules of either of the two associations."

W. P. IJAMS,
THOS. H. GILL,
W. H. SMOLLINGER,
C. E. CAMERON,
Committee.

Section 2, Chapter 12, of the By-Laws also provides: "That nothing herein shall be construed prevent the Congress in regular session amending any of these rules, if deemed necessary."

W. H. KNIGHT, Secretary.

A CHRISTMAS TREE FOR HORSES.

"A Christmas tree for horses? Nonsense; you're joking," I protested.

"Not at all," was the reply. "It is a regular Christmas tree, with carrots and apples for decorations and great bags of oats and shocks of cornfodder standing about the foot of it just like candy, oranges and nuts are stacked about the Sunday-school trees every Christmas eve."

So I set out to find this newest form of Christmas celebration and to see for myself just what a horse's Christmas tree looked like.

Sure enough, at the grounds of the National Capitol Horse Show Association within 3 blocks of the White House, I found the tree decked out with carrots and apples presumed to be as dear to the equine palate as candy and oranges are to the children's. There also I found a bevy of women; they were supervising the affair with apparently as much pleasure and enjoyment as if every old, wornout plug that entered these grounds, hitherto sacred to the bluest of blue-blooded horseflesh, was indeed a Thoroughbred of long pedigree.

Postmaster General Burleson and his wife, both lovers of horses, were present at the opening of the affair and watched with interest the arrivals, Mrs. Burleson holding out apples and carrots to eager, hungry animals or else bearing down some of the higher branches, that the delicacies might be the more easily reached by those horses that were led to the tree to nibble a few bites direct.

And how busy those good ladies were! Into the grounds came an aged Negro, one of the old time, leading behind him about as decrepit and ancient a specimen of horseflesh as ever straightened a trace. One of the ladies met him, directed him first to the watering trough and then to a vacant stall, of which there were over 150. One of the men employed for the purpose followed with a paper bag holding a big feed of oats; the manger already was filled with the best of hay. Over the old veteran the men threw a heavy horse blanket and one tried to imagine what thoughts must be running through his mind as he found himself in such luxurious quarters and feeding on the best in the land, from an equine point of view.

Through the gate came a constant procession of horses of all grades, types and conditions. Small darky boys rode on bareback, having left the vehicle in the street as scarcely fit for taking into such an arena. Several on foot were questioned, and admitted that their parents had sent them in to spy out the land, the older people having in some way conceived the idea that it was some scheme to get hold of their dear old nags and either arrest the owners for cruelty to animals or else condemn the horses as useless. Reassured, they ran off to return later with horse and wagon, which had apparently been hidden away on some side street while the pickaninny was scouting for information as to the nature of this unheard-of offer of free horse feed.

And what an array of horses came to the feast! Not all were starvelings or decrepit, but certainly most of them seemed to realize they were somewhat out of their regular orbit. There were old stagers unhitched from night-prowling, sea-going hacks, of which the capitol has many, driven by old colored men with ancient plug hats. I saw a flea-bitten gray mule, perhaps once the pride of some army teamster, his knees bowed and stiff, his long ears flapping like the sails of a deserted ship, stumbling along through the gates drawing the market wagon of an old man who had come to town with a load of Christmas greens. One of those heavy wagons used by Greek vegetable peddlers pulled up outside the grounds. The animal hitched to the rig was a great, gaunt gray, his hide hanging in loose folds over his ugly frame like a gray blanket hung on a stake-and-rider fence. The long fetlocks, each bunch of hair now decorated with tiny balls of Virginia mud picked up on the country roads, betokened the possibility of Shire or Clydesdale ancestry. His coat, once a dapple-gray, was now rough and so manure-stained as almost to lose its original color. His hoofs were so cracked and split, and there was so little sound material in which to drive a nail that one wondered what held the shoes on. Perhaps one day he was the wheel horse in some splendid brewery six, with his mane and tail all plaited and decorated with red and blue ribbons.

An old lady who had brought to market few dozen eggs drove up in a wreck of a buggy, certainly a reproduction of the "one hoss shay," perhaps older, drawn by an ancient chestnut with a bald face that even in his old age showed signs of the bluest blood of Virginia. "Who knows," remarked one of the ladies, herself a Virginian and by that same token a keen judge of horse values, "who knows but what that old fellow once went down the line before the grandstand wearing the winning colors?"

They gathered around the old lady, watched the men unhitch the horse—both traces tied to the singletree with baling wire—and then, as if she were the first dame in the land, they showed her to a little room in which she found a seat; in her hands was placed a tincup full of steaming hot coffee and before her plates piled high with fresh-baked doughnuts, of which she was bidden to eat as many as she possibly could. And what those kids, both white and black, did to the doughnut piles was a caution. "Worth all it cost," was the remark of one man who put up some of the money that paid for the feast, "just to see those kids eat, to say nothing of the animals."

And so it went from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. for two days.

Certainly into this haven of Christmas tide drifted much of the flotsam and jetsam of the near-by horse world, the equine derelicts of the Capitol City. It was as great a study as the breadline in a large city, and equally pathetic. The animal "breadliners," however, had no tales of woe to relate, no stories of ruined lives, of blasted hopes and hard-luck experiences.

The ladies were not only providers of Christmas cheer but gatherers of statistics as well, as the name, color, sex, and residence of each owner was carefully taken down, also the name and other statistical information concerning the animal. Looking the list over, the only thing like it that I could recall was the 1890 list of 125 cow ponies we used on my old Arizona cow ranch, which I ran across in an old note book not long ago. The old-time cowpunchers vied with one another in naming their mounts, running from Alexander the Great, hung to a diminutive Navajo Indian pony, to Dolly Dimple, applied to a huge, overgrown, ungainly square-headed affair used only for a pack animal. Likewise these later names ran the gamut of animal nomenclature, but regardless of sex every mule in the District of Columbia seems to be named Maud.

Nor did these good women stop at the feed offered, as each man was urged to carry off with him one or more of the huge bundles of what in this southland they call "long feed"—cornstalks. Those who came with vehicles took advantage of the offer and thus the Christmas cheer was prolonged to another feeding time.

Later in the afternoon when there were no more arrivals at the grounds the ladies loaded their autos down with heavy paper bags, each holding several pounds of oats, and having divided up the city into districts they went into the highways and byways and sought out those that had not come to the feast, finding them at the city markets, on the hack, carriage and express stands, and elsewhere; to every owner who would accept it they gave a sack for each animal.

As a seeker after information I asked the charming lady who piloted me about the place as to the object of the peculiar charity.

"Just a love for the horse," was her reply. "Many of us interested in the annual horse show felt that by this means we could arouse a certain amount of interest and sympathy among the class of people who own the kind of horses you have seen here today, that would lead them to take better care of their animals. They say that the way to a man's heart is through his stomach," she smiled knowingly, "and perhaps we may reach some of these men through the stomachs of their horses. Certainly it is bound to set some of them to thinking."

She further explained that all the money was raised by subscription among men and women interested in the horse. No appeal was made publicly and there was more money offered than they could use. Naturally the question comes as to the merit of such a charity when perhaps thousands of men, women and children are starving to death in foreign countries. But it seems quite certain that people who would give willingly for such a cause would give far more readily to the cause of humanity and without doubt not one of the givers to this horse feeding fund reduced his or her charities by a penny. Nor could I discover the names of a single giver to this fund. No names were signed to the posters which were distributed all over the city where they would reach the right people inviting the horses to the feast; at the bottom the simple words, "Lovers of the horse," hid the donors' names.

It is a safe bet that a lot of those old plugs marked it down as a red letter day in their brains, lest they should forget the date in 1916, at which time it is proposed to repeat what is, so far as I can learn, the very first Christmas tree ever given to horses. That it should originate here in the capital of the nation seems peculiarly fitting; that it will spread to other cities goes without saying, for the idea appeals to every horse lover.—Will C. Barnes, Breeders' Gazette.

The sooner you begin your stallion advertising, the better the returns from it will be.

NOTES and NEWS

The first foal reported from any of the larger eastern farms is the brown fellow foaled January 5 at Curles Neck by The Harvester 2:01, dam Roberta Bingen (3) 2:13¼ by Bingen 2:06¼.

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The dopesters have figured up that Alonzo McDonald has marked an even thirty trotters in 2:10 or better. Billie Burk 2:03¼ heads the delegation, followed by Bob Douglas 2:04½ and Star Winter 2:05.

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W. L. Snow, the Grand Circuit teamster who has been at Detroit with the horses of his various Michigan patrons since the close of the last racing season, ships to Memphis the first of February and will get ready for the frays of 1916 over the early track at Billings Park.

Old Folks 2:11¾ and Raisin Girl, with a trotting trial better than 2:10, both sold by California consignors to the recent Chicago sale, will be seen on the tracks of the Hoosier state this summer. We have a sneaking little notion that they will be found heading the summaries, or ranking second, pretty regularly.

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Have you sent us an order for stallion cards or a season announcement? You never heard of Peter the Great until someone told you about him or you read of him in a turf paper, so don't expect people to know all about your horse unless you boom him along. This watchful waiting policy will not bring in business for a stallion.

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The many friends of David Cahill of Lexington will learn with regret that Mrs. Cahill died recently at the age of seventy-three years, after an illness of but a very few days. Five children, three daughters and two sons, remain to help make things pleasant for their father in his old age, but Uncle Davy will sadly miss the one who was his steadfast partner for so many years, whether the going was good or bad.

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That the progression of human affairs takes the course of a circle is once more attested down in New York state. Stony Ford has been placed back on the map by Louis Titus, and the old Jesse Bull farm near Monroe, the birthplace of Blue Grass, Hamblehawk, Menelaus and other sons of the immortal Hambletonian 10, will again become the home of trotters, Herman R. Crossman having recently purchased it for use as a breeding farm.

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The track at Readville, Mass., idle for the last several seasons, was sold for taxes on January fourteenth and was bid in by the town of Dedham, the future fate of the famous course being as yet unknown. Many and many are the great contests that have been staged at Readville in the days gone by when the harness horse was in his full glory, and it will live forever in turf history as the strip of dirt over which the first mile in two minutes was trotted by Lou Dillon.

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Alonzo McDonald recently purchased one of the most promising two-year-old trotters in the Blue Grass in the shape of the chestnut colt by Axworthy (3) 2:15½ and out of the great matron Nervolo Belle (dam of Peter Volo 2:02 and Volga (2) 2:07¾) by Nervolo 2:04¼. The check that Lon wrote for George L. Knight was a rather healthy one and a portion of the money represented by the neat little slip of paper has already found its way to the Pacific coast and San Francisco, J. N. Colomb of this city having been Mr. Knight's partner in the youngster.

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The heavy rains of January put a temporary quietus upon the meeting of the Lower California Jockey Club at Tia Juana, rail connections with the cities on the American side being put out of service and a certain amount of damage being inflicted to the racing plant itself. This, however, was announced to be of a minor nature, easily repaired after the water receded, and as rail service was expected to be resumed in a short time the racing will begin where it left off and go merrily on. Reports by both correspondence and visitors to the Mexican town have good accounts to make of the manner in which the racing is conducted and of the brand of sport furnished under handicaps of considerable moment.

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The Utah national guard's artillery corps located at Salt Lake City is fully prepared to cope with any invader that threatens that city—if the enemy army is mounted on on wooden horses. For Utah has gone ancient Greece one better. The Greeks enlisted a huge wooden horse which aided them to victory at Troy. Utah's amateur artillerymen have, not one, but four wooden horses, which have aided them to victory over all opponents—in several competitive drills. Battery I hitches four regulation size hobby horses to a modern breech-loading gun, and at their weekly drill the soldiers harness and unharness, mount and dismount, load and fire. Recently the squad ran the horses and gun from the armory, harnessed up and were in the saddle in two minutes and 37 seconds. It's a whole lot cheaper to drill on wooden horses; they don't eat and the soldiers can make them themselves.—Horse World.

According to some of our eastern exchanges, there is a probability that the fast trotting mares Margaret Druien 2:03¼ and Lettie Lee 2:06¾, acquired at the recent Old Glory sale by C. K. G. Billings and now at his Curles Neck Farm in Virginia, may be prepared for a trip against the amateur record for trotting teams.

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Vermont horsemen are waxing enthusiastic just at present over the yearling colt American Harvester, by The Harvester out of Adioo Dillon 2:24¼, acquired by one of their number at the last Old Glory sale. Adioo Dillon is the dam of that good futurity trotter Dillon Axworthy (2) 2:11¼, and like many others of the famous family to which she owns allegiance was bred here in California, at the old Santa Rosa Stock Farm.

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Rodney MacKenzie and his thoroughbred trainer, Jack Atkin, are on a trip to eastern and southern points, paying a visit to the races at New Orleans and to the thoroughbred farms in the Blue Grass. Buckhorn, the good son of Broomstick—Thirty-Third that won the Brooklyn, Empire City, Douglas Park Inaugural and other stakes in Atkin's hands, is doing stud duty at the farm of Hal Price Headley in company with Uncle, Ivan the Terrible, Jack Atkin and San Vega. He will be allowed but twenty mares, as this is his first year in the stud, and his limited book is rapidly filling.

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James Erwin, one of the best known horsemen of the Pacific northwest and who for a long time made his headquarters at North Yakima, lies in a critical condition in a San Francisco hospital. About two years ago he came to California as assistant trainer to H. S. Dowling, then superintendent of Woodland Stock Farm, but for the past year has been unable to perform any duties in cart or sulky and has been confined for the greater part of that time at his home at 1214 Polk street, this city. Ervin brought out, among many other excellent horses, the chestnut gelding Mack Fitzsimmons 2:07¾, now a member of the stable of H. H. Helman.

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C. A. Harrison came into civilization from the wilds of the Puget Sound country a few days ago and after putting the finishing touches upon the deal which transferred the ownership of the property known as Woodland Stock Farm to Charles F. Silva spent several days in the vicinity of San Francisco bay. Early in the week he was a visitor at Pleasanton in company with A. B. Coxe, John W. Considine and Sven Christenson, most of the quartet taking a mount and doing a little jogging as a stimulant to their appetites. The Pleasanton track has had a pretty steady soaking for weeks, but was in nice shape for winter work at the time the above party was there.

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That White Sox—Hal Boy race is now merely a matter of arranging conditions suitable to both parties. Clarence Berry has turned this end of the negotiations over to his trainer and racing manager, Will Durfee, and correspondence relative to the affair is being exchanged between that gentleman and Greeley Winings, manager for Stoughton Fletcher. No serious difficulties are anticipated in the way of getting together on a basis suitable to all concerned and a definite announcement concerning the same will probably be made within the next several days. Interest in the proposition is steadily increasing and it should prove one of the attractions of the big line this summer.

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A. K. Macomber of Paicines Rancho has been a recent visitor in the Blue Grass, inspecting Walnut Hall Farm and other varied interests of the estate of the late L. V. Harkness. Mr. Macomber is one of the foremost breeders of purebred livestock in California and a great lover of the horse, his active entry into the racing game being foreshadowed by his recent importation of English thoroughbreds, selected for him by Walter B. Jennings and now being trained by that capable gentleman at Charleston, S. C. While the future of Walnut Hall was problematic following the death of Mr. Harkness, no steps have been taken so far by the heirs that in any way portend a change in the old policies or the dispersal of the trotting stock, which are matters of much gratification to lovers of the horse and of the famous old farm.

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George A. Ryan, whose connection with the trotters in an editorial way dates back many years to the time when he was "hoss" editor of one of the Boston dailies, is now the proprietor of a book store in Covington, Louisiana. Coming west some years ago Ryan took over the editorship of the now defunct Horseman and Spirit of the Times, his excellent work there causing him to be sought to fill a similar position on the Western Horseman, where his ability was properly appreciated and where in the course of a few years he became a substantial stockholder in that concern. Ill health caused him to give up his interests in Indianapolis some two or three years ago and seek a home in the south, where his health has improved in a most gratifying manner. He is one of the able turf writers of the country, and his recovery to a point at which he might again engage in the old line would be welcome to countless personal friends and a very large following among the readers of trotting journals.

In answer to an inquiry from a correspondent at Oroville, the following information is given concerning the pacer Little Thorne 2:07¼: He was bred at Stockton by L. U. Shippee, was foaled in 1893, a son of Hawthorne 10935 and Grace Hale by Director 1989, second dam Nettie Nutwood by Nutwood 600. He was driven to his record on August 30, 1900, at Woodland by James Thompson.

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Fred Johnston of Calgary, one time owner of the fast pacer Yedno 2:02½ that threw such a surprise into the Grand Circuiters at Montreal, is now pinning his hopes to a five-year-old pacer by the California bred speed marvel, Ray o' Light (3) 2:08¼, whose mile in that notch at Portland still stands as the record for the age and gait in the Pacific northwest, the dam of the Johnston prospect being Almota by Vice Regent, brother to Heir-at-Law 2:05¾. The bird has not been strung for the route as yet, but last season paced the final fractions of moderate miles over a poor halfmile track in :14¼.

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We have a call from a gentleman in the central portion of the state for a few standard bred fillies by The Bondsman, from yearlings up, providing the prices are in keeping with the times. They are wanted for the purpose of putting in the breeding ranks only, so parties with well developed Bondsman trotting prospects would probably not find the prices to their liking. However, it is probable that there are a few fillies of this family scattered through California that will not do to race, or will not be trained owing to the scarcity of local racing, and the owners of these might dispose of them to advantage at this time. We will be pleased to put such owners into communication with the prospective buyer, but please do not write letters trying to dispose of young mares by any other stallion, as the same will represent merely wasted time. Fillies by The Bondsman are the only kind wanted by this party.

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J. E. Montgomery of Davis, whose three specialties are raising champion pacers, high priced beef cattle and getting more day in and day out service out of an automobile than any other farmer in his neighborhood, is probably back at the old familiar quarters at the track at Woodland by this time, as he announced his intention of making the move some days ago, taking along the coast's champion pacer, Jim Logan 2:01¾, and a considerable stable of younger horses. Jim will be in service at Woodland during the breeding season, and Elmo has his neck bowed to get away from the jonah that followed his trail last year, when practically the whole stable that he depended on starting was put on the shelf by accident or sickness. Loren Daniels with the big string belonging to Charley Silva was also expected to make the change from the state fair grounds to the Woodland plant, so that place will be the scene of considerable speed making this season.

In 1914 Alonzo McDonald's brown trotter McCloskey won in excess of ten thousand dollars without getting out of the 2:30 class, which was some performance until Worthy Prince came along in 1915 and annexed nearly thirteen thousand dollars without winning a heat. Both of them must be world's records of their kind.

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Peter Stevens 2:02¼ has been sent to the stable of Tommy Murphy at Poughkeepsie and will be raced this year by the lengthy New Yorker. Last year he twice showed his ability to beat 2:04 over halfmile tracks, so he must be given consideration as a horse liable to figure well up in the hottest kind of company in Murphy's hands.

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Cleo Dillon (3) 2:13¾, one of the most highly prized trotting mares on the Pacific coast, died last Sunday night at Bonnie Brae, the establishment of her owner, E. A. Gammon, in Sacramento county, as the result of a fatal illness following the consumption of a moderate ration of beet pulp, while her yearling stud colt, The Meteor, by Peter McKlyo (3) 2:12½, came very nearly dying from a similar ailment. Cleo Dillon, who was a daughter of Sidney Dillon and the double producing matron Cleo G. (dam also of Easter Direct 2:09½) by Yosemite 4906, was bred by Mr. Gammon and as a three-year-old in the hands of Schuyler Walton won both the Occident stake and the Breeder futurity, taking her record in the second heat of the latter event, raced that year over the old Speedway track at Chico. Some time afterward, Charley DeRyder, considerably impressed with the quality which the mare should show as a producer, persuaded Mr. Gammon to allow him to send her to Kentucky to be mated with Axworthy, the resultant foal to become their common property. This plan was followed out and proved most gratifying in its success, the foal being the bay filly Miss Axworthy Dillon, who apparently had a prior right to third money in all of her futurity engagements here on the coast last year as a two-year-old, though once out of her three starts she divided third and fourth moneys with Hermes. At Pleasanton, where she was a hot contender throughout the fastest race for the age ever trotted in California, she was separately timed the first heat in 2:14½ and came back for the second in 2:15, a performance all the more creditable when it is considered that she had been off pasture but about four months at this time. She is a nice headed thing, sound, and Mr. DeRyder regards her as a three-year-old that may do to take over east, as she is entered in every stake in the country and he considers her capable of trotting in 2:08 this season with any sort of luck. Cleo Dillon was to have been bred to The Anvil 2:02¾ next month, and great expectations were entertained by the owner as a result of this union. The loss to him is a severe one, and he cautions horsemen everywhere to keep their animals away from beet pulp.

Last Call for Breeders' Futurity Entries

As the Pacific Breeders' Futurity Stakes Number Sixteen for foals of mares bred in 1915 close on Tuesday, February first—next Tuesday—we take advantage of this last opportunity to call the attention of western breeders to the importance of making nominations in this event. Colt stakes are not only becoming fewer in number on this coast but the decline of patronage to the same, enforced through the decline in harness horse breeding, has caused them to be made for more modest figures, but unless proper support is extended they cannot continue to be given even on the new basis.

Nothing adds so much to the value of the trotting bred colt as a liberal number of futurity engagements, and nothing contributes more to making a youngster of this kind a drug on the market than a lack of early opportunities. The demand nowadays is for horses that can race, and the earlier one can race the better the buyers like him. Engagements in colt stakes may be secured at such a moderate cost, when compared with the opportunity for profit, that every breeder of trotters and pacers can well afford to nominate every mare bred by him in some or all of the local classics—better all of them than only some. No longer ago than last season certain owners right here in California saw good money won by colts not so good as their own, merely because their breeders had the foresight to provide them with early engagements, while training a colt for one race is merely an aggravation. You would not open a store until you had stocked its shelves, and you cannot market speed save through the medium of paid up entrance fees.

The Breeders' Futurities have for so long been annual fixtures in the racing calendar of the Pacific coast that it seems scarcely necessary to go into detail concerning the conditions under which they are staged, but anyone not familiar with the same will find them in full on page two of this issue of the Breeder and Sportsman. The money is so apportioned that the stallion owner, the original nominator of the winner and the owners of the four horses heading the summary of each of the four divisions of the stake are well rewarded, and the initial cost of making entries is but two dollars a mare. The date of closing is now set so far along in the season that it should be possible for almost every experienced breeder to determine whether his mares are safe with foal, and the substitution clause affords him further safeguard against loss in case he does draw a blank from his breeding operations or the mare or foal dies, as there are always a certain number of people who do not make original entries but depend upon buying substitutions, so that these are generally in demand to the limit of the number available. The cost of keeping the entry in good standing is distributed over a considerable period and is not a hardship, as the payments are moderate and none are in excess of the sum of ten dollars with the exception of the starting fees. In this manner a colt may safely and economically be carried in the stake until the time when it is definitely proven whether he has the quality to justify the owner in starting him, and in case he is tried and found wanting the sum previously paid out in entrance and installments will not be seriously missed.

The Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders' Association, which sponsors this event, has for many, many years been recognized as the foremost factor in keeping trotting horse breeding and racing alive in this part of the world. They have staged an annual meeting that has been one of the principal features of each racing season, and the present number of their series of futurities is the sixteenth, nearly one hundred thousand dollars having been paid to western breeders through the medium of these stakes alone, while the amount paid out by them in stakes and purses since their annual meetings were first inaugurated totals a much greater and more impressive sum. The debt of horsemen in general to the association is a generous one, and you owe it first to yourself, then to them, to see that this stake fills and fills well.

Also consider the fact that the decrease in number of entries means so much greater percentage in favor of your colt developing into a money earner in the stake. Entries postmarked prior to noon of Wednesday are legal under the rules, but we would suggest that you take no chances of ineligibility and make your nominations in ample time. The future of colt stakes in California is hanging in the balance, and it is the breeder who has the say as to whether they will be continued or abandoned.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

ANGLERS' ASSOCIATION ELECTS OFFICERS.

Members of the California Anglers' Association got together Monday night at the club rooms at 935 Market street for their eleventh annual meeting. All the boys were in good cheer and a large gathering of the devotees of the rod was present.

The reports of the secretary and treasurer showed the association to be in a prosperous condition.

The officers elected and who will serve for the ensuing year are Floyde Spence, president; Charles F. Breidenstein and J. J. Gorman, vice-presidents; George A. Wentworth, secretary; Herman Cohn, treasurer; Dr. L. T. Cranz, M. Uri and Wilson Ballantine, directors.

Following the annual meeting was an enjoyable game of whist, participated in by members and friends present.

The association during its existence has accomplished much good work along the lines of conservation of the game fish of California and in keeping the fishing waters of the State open to the people without hindrance of trespass laws. Through its efforts the State constitution was amended several years ago, preserving to the people the right to fish upon all present State public lands, whether they be sold and conveyed to private parties or not.

It has been the policy of the association to lend its every assistance in the enforcement of the laws so needful for a proper conservation of the fish life of the State.

BIG TRAP SHOOTING SEASON FOR COAST.

The trap shooting season on the Pacific Coast will soon be ushered in for what appears to be the most prosperous one in its history. Already preliminary details are being settled to line up the clubs and map out the programme of attractions that will be an inducement for the boys to make the smoke fly. Present plans are to start the club events the last of February and then the fun will continue until well into the winter.

C. A. Haight, secretary-treasurer of the California-Nevada Trap Shooters' Association, and E. Reed Shaner, secretary of the Interstate Association, are out with important announcements for Pacific Coast experts, who are polishing up their shooting irons. Mr. Haight is calling on the members of the California-Nevada Association to come forward with their dues and applications to hold the annual tournament of the organization and Mr. Shaner tells the good news that there will be a Pacific Coast Championship tournament this season. Mr. Haight writes as follows:

"Breeder and Sportsman:

"We are enclosing a copy of letter that has been forwarded to each club, a member of the California-Nevada Trap Shooters' Association, and booklet of the Interstate Association, constitution and by-laws of our association, with the desire that after reading same you will join with us as a member of our organization, and thereby boost California and Nevada in bluerock shooting, ond in this way continue the reputation that we have already acquired as a Class "A" organization.

"Awaiting your reply and thanking you in advance for your membership, beg to remain

"Yours very truly,

"CAL.-NEVADA TRAP SHOOTERS' ASSN.,

"C. A. HAIGHT, Sec.-Treas."

The letter is as follows:—

"The annual dues of your club to the California-Nevada Trap Shooters' Ass'n are now due and payable in the sum of $5 for the year 1916. It is particularly desirable that you forward the amount to the undersigned at as early a date as possible which will enable the secretary to make his report of clubs affiliating with our association to the Interstate Association, this request being made to conform to the rules of that association.

"The outlook for a successful trap shooting season is very good indeed and the continuance of the membership of your club is earnestly requested. We enclose herewith a pamphlet issued by the Interstate Association which thoroughly covers all the benefits to be derived by your club and our association, in addition to which the California-Nevada Trap Shooters offer special trophies to be competed for by our members only, at our annual tournament.

"You will please note from the Interstate Association pamphlet that we are enclosing that the California-Nevada Trap Shooters' Association ranks as Class 'A' as regards to the benefits to be derived, and it is our endeavor to keep our association in this class, which can only be accomplished by the affiliation of as many clubs of the states of California and Nevada as is possible to have as members.

"In view of the coming trapshooting season and anticipating the desire of many clubs to hold the tournament in the spring months we, therefore, suggest that all clubs desiring to bid for the annual tournament make their application for same by March 31, 1916.

"This will enable the secretary to place the matter before the board of directors and also give time to the secretary to take up any minor details that may have to be discussed with each club, it being our desire to make the award of the tournament by March 5th.

"Yours very truly,

"CAL.-NEVADA TRAP SHOOTERS' ASSN.,

"C. A. HAIGHT, Sec.-Treas."

The officers of the California-Nevada Trap Shooters' Association for this year are: President, Colonel J. W. Dorsey; vice-president, G. H. Anderson; secretary-treasurer, Clarence A. Haight; directors, H. Pfirrmann, Los Angeles, C. A. Julian, San Diego, A. J. Flickinger, Vallejo, W. S. Pease, Elko, Nev., Henry Garrison, Modesto, F. K. Burnham, Martinez, and Thomas Wilkes, San Francisco.

San Jose is the first in the field to secure the event. At a meeting of the Chamber of Commerce of that thriving city last week, O. N. Ford brought to attention the advisability of securing the California-Nevada shoot. Mr. Ford told the San Jose Chamber of Commerce that the Garden City had an excellent chance of securing the event and that 100 people would be on hand for four or five days early in June. The city would be advertised extensively by the reports of the contests that would appear in the daily papers and the sporting publications.

Mr. Ford told the directors of the Chamber of Commerce that the members of the Blue Rock Club of San Jose had raised $850 of the necessary sum of $1,000 to successfully promote the shoot. Within five minutes the directors had subscribed $50 and no trouble is anticipated in securing the remaining $100.

Secretary Haight expects there will be quite a friendly controversy to secure the Pacific Coast fixture. New clubs are entering the trap shooting field and the holding of the California-Nevada shoot will be a feather in the cap of the lucky club that wins out.

E. Reed Shaner's announcement of the decision of the Interstate Association to reconsider its action so as to give a Pacific Coast tournament this year is as follows:

"Editor Breeder and Sportsman:

"Please be kind enough to state in the trap department of Breeder and Sportsman that the directors of The Interstate Association have reconsidered the action taken by them at their annual meeting and have ruled to give a Pacific Coast Trapshooting Tournament this year. We will, therefore, be pleased to receive applications from clubs in Pacific Coast territory that desire this event to be held under their auspices. All applications should be sent to The Interstate Association, 219 Coltart Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa., on or before February 10th.

"Yours very truly,

"THE INTERSTATE ASSOCIATION,

"E. REED SHANER,

"Secretary .The Interstate Association."

It is understood that the Portland Club will make an application for the classic. Last year the event was held in San Diego and it is considered only fair that the Pacific Coast championship should be contested in the north this year. The tentative date has been fixed at some time in August, although it is possible it may be changed later on.

The trap shooting tournaments arranged up to date by the Interstate Association are as follows:

Southern Tournament at Memphis, Tenn., May 9, 10, 11; $1,000 added money.

Western Tournament at Omaha, Neb., June 13, 14, 15; $1,000 added money.

Eastern Tournament at Philadelphia, Penn., July 18, 19, 20; $1,000 added money.

Grand American Tournament at, St. Louis, Mo. August 21, 22, 23, 24 and 25; $3,500 added money.

The Pacific Coast Tournament will be listed with these events as fixtures of the Interstate Association's programme.

E. Reed Shaner makes further announcement for the benefit of trap shooters that the association's booklet containing the 1915 trapshooting averages will be put in the mails about March 1st. The booklet will be widely distributed at that time.

CLOSED DEER SEASON IN CONTRA COSTA.

The supervisors of Contra Costa county recently adopted an ordinance prohibiting the killing of deer and antelope within that county. The ordinance reads:

"Every person who pursues, hunts, takes, kills or destroys any deer or any antelope within the county of Contra Costa is guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof, shall be punished by a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars ($500) or by imprisonment in the county jail for a term not to exceed six months or by both such fine and imprisonment."

No limit as to the length of this closed season was set. The increase of deer and antelope will alone decide when the season will again be opened.

LAST CALL FOR THE DUCK HUNTERS!

On Monday next one-half hour after sunset the open season in California will come to a close. It will mark the finish of one of the most disastrous waterfowl seasons the hunters have experienced in years. Adverse weather has been almost a chronic complaint since the law permitted firing on October 15th. The terrific storm which swept all sections of the state had a tendency to scatter the birds far and wide and then the rain came to bring about flood conditions so that the gunners could not get within range of the game.



TAKING A LAST SHOT AT THE DUCKS

Pete Ashcroft is pictured on the Suisun Marsh with his trusty gun, faithful dog and agreeable companion enjoying the sport just before the bars go up.

An army of hunters continued to go out every Sunday during the bad weather but they were rewarded with such small bags that lately many of the regulars have given up in disgust and have stuck close to home. Records kept by the Fish and Game Commission show that less ducks were killed this past season than in years before. Fact is, it may turn out to be the poorest season on record when the commission tallies up its figures.

With but such a short space of time to get in some shots the outlook is not any brighter for ducks. The rains during the week brought more water to the flooded conditions and the regulars are going to have trouble getting at their birds. Parties that were out last Sunday and during the week reported poor sport as a rule and the season promises to go out with but little bombardment.

Frederick J. Taylor, Ira Flint and Deforrest Rio, a trio of rabbit hunters, of Fulton, N. Y., recently captured a pink hare, the first that has been seen in the vicinity of Fulton for years. The hare was about the size of the ordinary large white, or snowshoe rabbit, except that its ears were much longer and the general shape of the animal more on the pattern of the western jackrabbit. The hound owned by Mr. Rio brought the hare around for Mr. Taylor's gun. It took the dog nearly two hours to put the rabbit in a circle. The hare is thought to be a cross between the western packrabbit and the snowshoe rabbit.

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It is said that five hundred and twenty thousand new shotguns were sold in this country during 1915, which statement, if true, shows that hundreds upon hundreds of novices are yearly taking up field shooting or trapshooting as a means of healthful recreation. To be certain that the number is not overstated, suppose we drop the extra twenty thousand, leaving the number at five hundred thousand, and the number still is immense and proves that few other lines of sport during the year had more converts.

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More than 1,000,000 silver trout eggs from Lake Whatcom were delivered at the Washington state hatchery at Walla Walla a few days ago. They completely filled the hatchery. Superintendent S. D. Goodell announced that they will be hatched within a month and can be distributed next summer.

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Every county in the state of Utah is to have bird and game sanctuaries, where it will be unlawful to hunt and kill, even during the "open season," according to an announcement made recently by Fred W. Chambers, state fish and game commissioner.

Under the commissioner's plan, which will be put into effect as rapidly as possible, between 250,000 and 350,000 acres will be provided as permanent retreats for feathered songsters, game birds of all kinds and animals—all wild things except predatory animals.

In carrying out this state-wide scheme for the preservation and propagation of birds and animals, Commissioner Chambers is merely enlarging upon the movement he began in 1913.

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At the annual Christmas shoot of the Spokane (Wash.) Gun Club A. W. Woodworth broke 109 targets out of 110 shot at, with an unfinished run of 106. He missed his fourth target in the first 10-target event and then finished the 106 with a perfect score.

HEARD IN KENNEL CIRCLES.

Mayor Rolph will show along with his famous string of cocker spaniels at the coming Golden Gate Show a pair of English fox hounds. Being the only representatives of the breed on the Pacific Coast, they are bound to attract considerable attention.

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Horace P. Beddeau, a well known local bulldog fancier, has purchased the crack Scottish terrier champion "El Sur the Laird" from A. J. Molera. The latter has the largest kennel of the breed on the Coast.

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Mrs. Norwood B. Smith of the Cragwood kennels has sold a promising Scottish deerhound puppy to Fred B. McCay, of Cathay, California.

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Mrs. E. F. Brown of the Browndale collie kennels is getting several blue-merle puppies in condition for the coming Golden Gate show.

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Charles Lange, a member of the Empire Gun Club, has bred his pointer bitch and a litter is expected shortly.

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H. M. Robertson of Pasadena is importing several Scottish terriers. They are big winners and are booked to arrive next week. Robertson, who is the owner of the largest boarding kennel in the South, has on hand nearly a hundred dogs. The best in the kennel will be sent up to the Golden Gate Show.

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Mr. Vredenburgh, secretary of the American Kennel Club, with headquarters in New York, has been swamped with applications for registration since the new law went into effect. Ordinarily only about 9000 dogs are registered in a year, but in the month of December alone there were 2,000 applications. The secretary is working all hours to catch up, but it will be some time before he gets order out of the chaos that exists.

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Mrs. E. Green, who at one time exhibited some of the finest Scottish terriers ever seen on the bench, has just secured a splendid Maltese colored "Pom," weighing only three and one-half pounds.

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W. Ballytine of Goldfield, Nev., one of the largest breeders of English bulldogs in America, has just added another to his kennels. The name of the new dog is not available at present, but we understand it is one of the best to be had in England.

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Colonel J. W. Dorsey had the misfortune to have his setter dow jump out of a window recently and both front legs were broken. He is being treated and the prospects are bright that he will be ready to work again next season.

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Mrs. Tim Callopy is a recent convert to the toy fancy. She has purchased Dulce, a very fine bitch, from Mrs. Sinclair. Dulce is by Ch. Nemo Boy ex-Miss Dimples, and that Mrs. Callopy intends to start right is shown by the fact that already she has arranged to breed Dulce to Brother Boy.

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Mrs. C. H. Patterson's English setter Chiquita whelped eleven puppies. The sire is Ch. Manzanita. Mrs. Harry Witts recently bred her Lady Montez to Manzanita.

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Mr. Chas. Hefferman, Stockton, Cal., reports a litter of seven, four dogs, whelped December 7, by Champion Baughfell Briar ex Rhoma of Mirasol, and a litter of seven, four dogs, whelped November 19, by Cyprus Cadet ex Crewe So Bonheur.

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J. Nonnemacher of North Yakima, Wash., reports ten young Airedales by Cermer Dr. Cook. The Cermer Airedale Kennels have sold this fine young dog to S. D. Chestnut of Ft. Worth, Tex. The Cermer Kennels have also ten young ones by this dog.

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Mrs. Maud Dickerson of Los Angeles has sold her Poodle, Little Fix-It II, and has added Maltese Terriers and Japanese Spaniels to her kennels. She bought a pair of Maltese from Mrs. Freerkser of Seattle. They are little dreams. Little Snowman went through from puppy to winners at Los Angeles last November.

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A. D. Ferguson has accepted the position of special agent of the Fish and Game Commission. The Fresno division will be abolished on March 1st and Ferguson will make his headquarters in San Francisco. On February first Kern county, formerly in the Fresno division, will come under the jurisdiction of the Los Angeles officials and the rest of the territory will be included in the San Francisco division.

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The Fish and Game Commission, according to an announcement by executive officer Ernest Schaeffle, is going to put a stricter watch on the bay to see that oil and acids are not dumped into the waters from the factories. It has been found that much of the oil which can be seen flooding the bay waters these days comes from the rain washing it off the streets, through the sewers to the bay. At the same time the authorities want to see that the factories obey he law.

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Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

Severe Winter Kills Quail by Hundreds

The severe winter being experienced in California this season is proving a hardship on wild fowl, quail especially. Reports from the Sierra-Nevadas are that quail are dying by the thousands because of the rigors of the cold weather and their inability to secure food. The Fish and Game Commission is working industriously to relieve the situation. Work has been progressing in distributing grain to the birds and looking after deer so as to conservate the game, and in order to handle the task on a large scale the commission has asked the State Board of Control for $500 to expend in that direction.

George Neale, in charge of the Sacramento division, gives some data on the subject that will be of interest to sportsmen. His letter follows:

Fisher Hunt, Breeder and Sportsman:

While in San Francisco at the office yesterday I promised to send you the names of the localities and about the approximate number of quail it has been necessary to feed at this time owing to the severe snow storms all over Northern California. Wherever possible, we are having our deputies attend to the feeding personally, both as to the purchasing and distribution of grain. Many sportsmen and other interested persons are contributing large quantities of wheat, many of them going to a great deal of trouble in carrying the feed on skis and snow shoes. Owing to the wide distribution of these birds it will be impossible to reach them all, but we are attempting to save as large a percentage as possible. Owing to the last few mild winters the mountain quail have not shown a disposition to come down as low as they formerly did and many thousands which have remained above their natural elevation too long have become caught in the snow.

Deputy R. C. O'Connor of Grass Valley reports large numbers of mountain quail near Grass Valley and Nevada City and is making his regular rounds on skis, feeding these birds.

Deputy J. S. White of Redding states that large numbers of mountain quail are coming into the towns of Dunsmuir, Delta and to places north to Antler, also at the Mammoth Mine and north of Kennett. Large numbers are also hanging along the upper Sacramento river adjacent to the Southern Pacific railroad. Deputy White is feeding these birds from a hand car, making daily trips down the road and feeding them wherever necessary. He states that large numbers of deer can be seen swimming down the river to the snow line. Two of our men are very active in this vicinity, to protect the deer from being killed. He also states that the last rain on the snow had the effect of freezing the surface so that the deer will be able to walk over the snow.

Deputy Warren of Taylorsville reports the loss of large numbers of quail from exposure. Within the vicinity or neighborhood of Greenville there are approximately 2500 in one bunch and about 500 near the town of Quincy. These are all being cared for, both by voluntary contributions and grain is also being purchased by Warren.

Deputy Cady of Susanville is feeding 500 mountain quail near that town. Several ranchers nearby are feeding about 1000 and report great loss from exposure and inability of the birds to secure gravel and grit.

Deputy Streuber reports large numbers near Weed that need attention at once. They are being fed by Mr. Streuber.

Mr. Albey is feeding 400 mountain quail in the vicinity of Weed, donating the grain himself.

Deputy Harris says that large numbers are coming into Hornbrook and feeding in the barn yards and gardens of the residents.

Dr. Tinsman of Adin reports that between 2500 and 3000 quail are on the Sherer place on Pit river, Modoc county. Owing to the inability of our deputy to reach the locality we have instructed Mr. Sherer to take care of these birds.

J. S. Strinnett of Keddie reports many mountain quail dying from exposure. He is sending two men on skis with feed.

Deputy Chester Scroggs of Loomis reports large numbers near Dutch Flat and is now carrying feed to them.

We have other reports of the same character, all of which are being attended to wherever it is possible to reach the birds.

Reports on the deer are more favorable. The deer were in a very fine condition and consequently can withstand exposure and loss of feed until they are able to get to the lower altitudes, where they can secure browse and other feed.

All our mountain deputies state that this is the most severe winter on birds and animals in their long experience, many of them having been born in the mountains where they are located. Fortunately, all are practical and experienced mountaineers.

In connection with this we would say that the heavy fall of snow insures fine fishing for next summer, although it may make the season rather late for first class fishing.

Very truly yours,

GEORGE NEALE,
Assistant, Sacramento Division.

WINNER OF NATIONAL FIELD TRIALS.

Press reports of the National Field trials held in the south last week are as follows:

Grand Junction, Tenn., Jan. 21.—The pointer John Proctor, owned by A. L. Curtis of Belton, Tex., and the setter Medford Eugene entered by Dr. E. J. Haines of Medford, N. J., were rated by the judges tonight as the best of the ten dogs which competed in first series heats of the National Championship Association and will meet in a final race tomorrow for the title of national field trial champion.

Grand Junction, Tenn., Jan. 22.—The pointer John Proctor, owned by A. L. Curtis of Belton, Tex., won the title of national champion in the final heat of the field trials of the national championship here today.

Field trial events scheduled for the near future are:—

Texas Field Trial Association, Cypress, Tex., February 4, 1916. X. A. Denny, secretary, 502½ Main street, Houston, Tex.

Southwestern Field Trial Association, Vinita, Oklahoma, February 14, 1916. A. A. McKellop, secretary, 1801 East Broadway, Muskogee, Okla.

Washington Field Trial Club, Tacoma, Wash., February 21. F. E. King, secretary.

Twelfth American Field Futurity, southern Illinois, November 2, 1916.

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Calhoun, Ala., January 25.—John Proctor, handled by C. H. Babcock, won the honors of the free-for-all stake of the National Field Trial club today. Last Saturday John Proctor won the national champion ship stake run at Grand Junction, Tenn.

Gibraltar Ollie, owned by G. S. Parsons of Kenneth, Maine; D. Solo Frank, owned by A. G. C. Sage of New York, and Lewis C. Morris, owned by B. J. Rowe of Birmingham, Alabama, all ran from the traces in the second series of the free-for-all stake. John Proctor's superiority in his footwork won for him.

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FOX HUNTING NEAR LOS ANGELES.

Fox hunting, heralded as the king of all outdoor sports, within thirty minutes' distance of the center of Los Angeles and almost at the edge of the city limits, is receiving the attention of sportsmen visitors from the East.

One day last week Attorney Andrew Park, aided by his pack of foxhounds, captured one of the most handsomely-marked foxes ever taken in this State and brought his tally for fox hunting up to forty foxes. In speaking of the facilities for fox hunting in Southern California, Mr. Park said:

"I am 60 years of age and have hunted foxes for more than forty years, from the coast of Georgia to the Pacific, and nowhere in America is there better sport than right at our door. The hills are literally alive with foxes.

"Early yesterday morning, with a party of friends, we started a fox within fifty feet of my lodge, where my kennels are located, in the Benedict Canyon north of the Beverly Hills Hotel. The pack chased the fox a distance of probably fifty miles, up and down the canyon, the death occurring within 100 yards of the starting point.

"I have been repeatedly asked to trap foxes for eastern estates, where the animal is almost extinct, and have had letters from all parts of the country asking about the fox-hunting conditions here. Eastern men are taking up land in the canyons north of the city for the purpose of having a place to follow the hounds. Los Angeles is the only place in the world that I know of where one can step off a trolley car and find a multitude of foxes."

Mr. Park has a kennel of sixteen hounds, five old dogs and the remainder yearlings, all excellent hunters. With this pack the hunters go out and when a fox is found the dogs are unleashed and the hunt is on. The California fox is one of the most artful in the world and it generally requires from two to three hours to run him down. While not so large as the eastern red fox, the marking is similar and the animal has more evasive tricks than his eastern brother. He has one point in common with all other foxes, however, and that is he always returns to his lair when capture seems certain, and the death generally occurs within a short distance of the starting point.

The fox pack owned by Mr. Park is also well adapted to hunt coyotes, and when more strenuous sport than fox hunting is desired the party goes farther afield, knowing that an entire day will be consumed in the chase.

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The Spokane (Wash.) Gun Club has begun a series of handicap shoots, for which diamond medals will be given. Thirteen contests will be conducted, running through the months of January, February and March. It is necessary for a contestant to participate in nine of the events in order to be eligible for a prize.

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The Widgeon Club, which has one or two members in Tulare, has refused to buy back the land in the Tulare lake region formerly used for hunting grounds and decided to procure new grounds. The original ground was bought from his brother club members by Kenneth Sworder of Hanford and he offered to sell it back at an advanced price.

Sportsmen's Row

All the old guard are wondering if Henry Stelling is still on the Reno Boat. No one has seen him since last season. Maybe he fell overboard.

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As John Potter has killed his limit of ducks so many times this winter the club handicapper is considering the 23 yard mark for John.

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Frank Webster is going to be as busy as a bird dog again this year between the Golden Gate, San Leandro and the Bay View clubs. No wonder Frank won the Golden Gate consecutive trap trophy.

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Bud Vallejo will try to pin another Challenge Cup to his collection this year. He has the best wishes of all the boys.

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Ben Baum has been working with a Try Gun. Wonder what the old vet is doing?

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Our friend Pete Ashcroft, who is manager of the Golden Gate Club, is more than anxious to get back in harness again.

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Clarence Haight can be sighted almost any morning out in the Richmond District pointing his shooting iron at the little birdies from his bedroom window.

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Big Fred Willet is going to show the boys what a good 20-gauge will do to the blue rocks when the season opens.

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Edgar Forester has so many shells left at his duck shack that if the blue rock season don't open soon he will have to visit a warehouse.

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Sam Bernard says he wishes the gang would shoot more and talk less. Sam likes to see the game.

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Henry and Emil Kleversahl ought to break records this season, judging from the number of ducks they brought down.

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If A. G. Wilkes improves on his last season's records the club will enter him in the American Handicap.

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Bud Havens says that Friend Howard will have to go some this season or he will find himself in Bud's game bag.

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With his wonderful advantage of gun reach and pointing ability, Mr. Peet should be in the championship class.

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The boys will miss Col. E. R. Cuthbert but Lieut. Townsend Whelen will gain some shooting partner if they meet in Panama.

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A new illustrated publication, The American Shooter, made its initial appearance on January 15. It is published on the first and fifteenth of each month and will be devoted to shooting. The American Shooter is to be complimented on its first issue as it is well illustrated, written and edited. Stoney McLinn, a former sporting writer of Philadelphia, is the editor. The American Shooter is published in Baltimore.

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L. D. Hawxhurst, a scatter gun artist, showed the crack rifle men last season that if Uncle Sam needs marksmen the Golden Gate Club will furnish Len.

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Bill Varien, the little phenom of Pacific Grove, has the shooters guessing as to his intentions. Why he fills his gunstock with five pounds of lead is to hold the gun to his shoulder—or is it to keep Bill's feet on the platform?

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Jim Brickell will make the boys in the Family Club sit up when he lays his face on that Monte Carlo stock of his.

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Andy Flickinger of Vallejo showed the crack shots back East what could be done with a doughnut on his pump muzzle when he shot in the Grand American.

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Our own D. W. King, known to the Coast as the "Fudge King," has found a cure for flinching, judging from his wonderful scores of late. What's the prescription, D. W.?

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Harry Ricklefson, the well known old time Bay View booster, now located in British Columbia for the Red W., called on the shooters last week. It was good for the eyes to see him around looking so well.

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Charles Hollywood, Bob Valleau, Homer Craig and Al Durney were up to the Mud Hen Club at Alvarado last Sunday and got some birds, but not many.

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Henry Toft, marshal at South City, Dr. Dolly and Mr. Russie made a trip to Gustine during the week but found every place flooded. They were rewarded with only eighteen ducks among them for the long automobile ride.

Rube Haas has been getting his share of the ducks this season and it augurs well for some high scores at the traps.

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Officers George Wallenschlager and MacDonald shot a limit each at Mt. Eden one day during the week. They report ducks plentiful but hard to decoy. Mac says they are wise to the stools.

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F. D. Putzard, Roy Taber, John Rewin and Pete Retell secured limit bags at Dorris. The birds were mostly mallards and honkers.

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George Boehm, Leo Cuneo, Dolph Sorrila, Silna Lagamarcino and E. Klensahl had a successful shoot last Saturday at Hog Island.

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E. Reed Shaner, secretary of the Interstate Association, has announced that gun clubs intending to apply for registered tournaments in the course of the fiscal year will receive literature explaining the 1916 policy of the organization, and application blanks, this month.

Charles Jedeau went hunting last week and killed a robin. It proved a costly bird. He was haled before a magistrate at Cloverdale and was fined fifty dollars, as the robin is a protected bird. So is a yellow hammer, under the name of "flicker." Ernest Curein did not know it, and when he shot one of the birds he was arrested and fined twenty-five dollars. Peter Uicoletti also went hunting, and without a license. For this he was fined forty dollars. When the magistrate also learned that Peter had killed robins, too, he added forty-five dollars to the fine. The trio were arrested near the Italian-Swiss Colony by Deputy Game Commissioners A. L. Lea and Paul Smith. They paid up.

The deputies are to be commended for making the arrests. All song birds are protected and no true sportsman wants to see them butchered for the table.

BRUNER WINS IN SHOOT-OFF.

The inevitable happened Sunday morning at the Vernon Gun Club, when the twelfth fifty-bird handicap was staged for the W. H. Wilshire trophy and a second leg was annexed by one of the eleven contenders who have already won a leg on the prize.

The strain was getting too great and had to be broken. Stanton A. Bruner, shooting from the twenty-yard mark, not only broke the strain, but broke forty-eight targets and tied with Dr. Fred Fitzgerald, who also fired from the twenty-yard range. In the shoot-off Fitzgerald dropped five birds and had to be contented with a 20x25 score, but Bruner broke twenty-three out of the frame and won his second leg.

The shoot-off was quite exciting, both shooting even until the tenth bird was thrown. Both missed this. However, Fitzgerald missed the next one, which was shattered by Bruner. Two more were missed by Bruner in the last ten, and three got away from Fitzgerald.

Manderville, L. C. Forest, Bill Dougherty, W. C. Poor and "Pop" Bruner constituted the first squad that went to the traps, and they went to the traps in the rain. About twenty shooters were on hand at the start, but as soon as the sun came out around noon there was an even thirty shooters entered in the trophy competition.

Many good scores were made in both the trophy shoot and practice competition. Fred Grewell was high gun on the first hundred, with ninety-five targets squelched. His run without a miss was forty-eight. Grewell was second high gun in the Wilshire shoot, breaking forty-seven from eighteen yards.

A sweepstake shoot among the club's cracks followed the day's program and in a squad of seven competitors five of them broke twenty-four out of the frame of twenty-five. In a squad composed of Dr. Fitzgerald, Stanton Bruner, Frank Mellus, Dr. Packard and R. L. Hall, 121 birds met their fate at the hands of the quintet out of 125 thrown.

Ed Hedderly was easily the small-bore champion of the day, breaking forty-seven out of fifty with a 20-gauge gun, and he used No. 8 shot at that.

Several high runs were recorded, Selby and Ed Mitchell scored a 47 straight; Harry Cline, 25; Moody, 24; Fitzgerald, 25, and Mellus, 38.

The scores follow:

Wilshire handicap of fifty targets:

Manderville, 16 yards, broke 39; L. C. Forrest, 17—45; W. T. Dougherty, 17—40; A. W. Bruner, 16—43; Fullerton, 17—40; W. Robinson, 17—37; Kees, 16—36; F. Grewell, 18—42; F. Mellus, 20—45; Tuckett, 18—41; W. Pugh, 18—44; White, 18—41; S. A. Bruner, 20—48; W. H. Wilshire, 17—44; R. L. Hall, 20—45; Dr. Fitzgerald, 20—48; P. Peterson, 18—38; H. Cline, 17—41; Lou Mellus, 18—43; C. W. Clement, 16—39; C. E. Groat, 16—36; Dr. Packard, 20—44; T. P. Smith, 17—41; G. Persinger, 16—42; J. W. Meeks, 16—40.

Practice shooting: Clement 45x50, C. E. Groat 36x50, Dr. Packard ——, C. Moody 24x25, F. M. Bockway 10x25, Hedderly 23x25, George Cline 20x25, Ed. Mitchell 25x25, Manderville 37x50, L. C. Forest 42x50, W. T. Dougherty 63x75, W. E. Poor 51x75, A. W. Bruner 40x50, Fullerton 66x75, W. Robinson 38x50, Kees 22x50, Fred Grewell 48x50, F. R. Mellus 73x75, Tuckett 59x75, Pugh 44x50, White 24x25, S. A. Bruner 44x50, Wilshire 42x50, R. L. Hall 73x75, Fitzgerald 25x25, Peterson 45x50, Harry Cline 43x50, L. Mellus 59x75,

INTERCLUB GALLERY RIFLE COMPETITION

Quite a few Pacific Coast teams are competing in the National Interclub Gallery competition. The week ending January 8th, Bucyrus team of Ohio led in class A, with a score of 991. No Coasters are entered in this class. In class B. Watertown, South Dakota, is in front with 988. Ogden, Utah, ranks seventh with a tally of 981 and Tacoma, Wash., is twelfth with 946. In class C. the returns of the Olympic Club of San Francisco had not been received and St. Paul, Minn., led by a score of 982. No local aggregations are in the class D. competition.

MANY MARKSMEN AT SHELL MOUND.

William F. Blase, world-champion rifle shot and king of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition shooting tournament, beat all competitors with a phenomenal score of 236 in the Golden Gate Rifle and Pistol Club monthly medal shoot.

The leading shooting societies of the bay district were fully represented by their best talent on the Shell Mound range Sunday. Conditions favored accurate aim, and the results of the day's practice proved very satisfactory. Following were the principal scores:

Golden Gate Rifle and Pistol Club, monthly rifle scores—W. F. Blasse, 233, 236; Ben Jonas, 215, 212, 214; E. Schierbaum, 213, 220, 222, 221, 214, 227; M. W. Housner, 215, 218, 219, 212, 228; A. H. Millett, 174, 183, 175, 154; M. F. Blasse, 216. Pistol scores: C. T. Sisson, 84, 80, 87; J. J. Currier, 87, 86; C. W. Whaley, 85, 87; W. C. Prichard, 94, 95, 94, 90, 96, 92, 91; R. Mills, 91, 94, 94, 94.

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San Francisco Schuetzen Verein, monthly medal shoot—First expert class, George A. Pattberg, 230; Otto A. Bremer, 222. Expert class, A. Hubner, 207; champion class, H. Luneburg, 220; first class, P. F. Rathjens, 206 Lieutenant A. Westphal, 194; second class, John de Wit, 180, 176; third class, J. F. Mues, 206, W. H. Schuldte, 135; fourth class, P. F. Rulffs, 172, 172.

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Germania Schuetzen Club monthly bullseye shoot—John de Wit 204, M. F. Blasse 209, Herman Huber 249, N. Ahrens 533, B. P. Jonas 817, George A. Pattberg 939, W. F. Blasse 1036, E. Hoffmann 1066, Otto A. Bremer 1257, G. C. Post 1461, G. C. Gunther 1598.

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San Francisco Schuetzen Verein monthly bullseye shoot: Otto A. Bremer 355, Otto Lemeke 412, George A. Pattberg 762, J. F. Mues 744, H. Luneburg 853, Lieutenant A. Westphal 1130, John de Wit 1257, Henry Bernholdt 1278, E. Hoffmann 1305, William Dressler 1234, Captain John D. Heise 1342, P. H. Rulffs 1345, A. Bertelsen 1400, P. F. Rathjens 1548, A. Huber 1753, F. Brandt 1900, Charles Oldag 2460, F. Atzeroth 2540, W. H. Schulte 2796.

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Veterans National Guard of California monthly rifle shoot: F. P. Poulter 46, C. Meyer 45, Captain John E. Klein 44, E. H. Slitor 43, H. C. Mayer 36.

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Redmen Schuetzen Company, monthly medal shoot: Champion class—W. Dressler 204, O. E. Rosberg 200, C. G. Strippel 190; first class—J. Schmidt 186, M. Fuetscher 180; second class, A. Root 170; third class, A. Hugh 169; fourth class, R. Schnelle 150, F. Hoffman 148, John Archut 125.

First best shot, A. Hughli 20; last best shot, J. Schmidt 24.

Bullseye scores—J. Schmidt 600, A. Hugli 700, W. Dressler 741, C. G. Strippel 760, O. E. Rosberg 763, M. Fuetscher 769, J. Hoffman 800, R. Schnelle 810, A. Avot 850, J. Prackel 860, John Arschut 920.

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San Francisco Turner Schuetzen monthly ring shoot—H. Schulz 214, 206; C. Tidball 156, 144; Carl Abraham 194, 198; H. KKiffel 188, 197; Herman Enge 195, 185; E. Fleischer 171, 149.

AIREDALE SAVES SOLDIERS ON BORDER.

Sergeant R. H. Fowler, U. S .A., who is on duty down along the Texas border, writes that he has six of his Airedales with him, and has had great sport hunting cat, both bob and leopard, and coon. Sergeant Fowler writes us about a fight on the border, in which a handful of United States soldiers stood off over a hundred Mexican bandits for several hours, the American boys being armed with nothing but revolvers. One of the participants in this fight later wrote the following letter to Sergeant Fowler, which will prove interesting to Airedale fanciers: "Friend Fowler: I am in the hospital at San Antonio; got plugged in three places in the fight at Ojo del Agua, one of them through the arm, hence this bum looking letter. Bonnie, the Airedale bitch you sent me, woke me up just before the firing, or they would have riddled me. She comes in use shortly and I want to send her up to you to breed to Rex. St. Mayo was interviewing me about Airedales for the army and I have referred him to you. Adios.—Smith." The writer, Sergeant H. R. Smith of the Signal Corps, was in charge of the wireless station at Ojo del Agua, the night of the attack, in which four American soldiers were killed and several wounded. Had it not been for the timely alarm given by the Airedale, the chances are that the small number guarding the wireless would have been wiped out.—Kennel Review.

TRAPSHOOTING FROM AN AEROPLANE.

There was a time when one had to be a member of a gun club in order to enjoy the benefits of trapshooting. That was in the days before the hand trap came into use. Now "the sport alluring" is enjoyed on the water and in the air, as well as on Mother Earth.

A. B. Thaw, the aviator, has had a hand trap attached to his aeroplane, and, with a companion and his scattergun, he takes even more delight in shooting at the blue rocks as the airship whizzes a mile a minute through the air than he did when the pleasure was his on terra firma.

It is no easy matter to smash the targets with a gun from a fast-flying airship. It requires a good eye and steady nerves to pulverize the clay boys when standing before the traps, but it requires better aim and even steadier nerves to hit the targets from a fast-moving airship.

Mrs. Frank E. Butler (Annie Oakley) became cognizant of this fact while on a recent visit to one of the aviation stations of Uncle Samuel near Atlantic City, N. J. After inspecting the aeroplanes Mrs. Butler was induced to demonstrate the possibilities of trapshooting from an airship. A hand trap was fastened to the flier to throw the targets straight ahead. Mrs. Butler found that it was necessary to shoot very quickly, as the airship, going so fast in the same direction as the target, would sometimes pass it before she had time to get perfect aim.

The hand trap has revolutionized trapshooting. It makes it possible to shoot nearly anywhere. When the U. S. S. Solace went through the Panama Canal to the Panama-Pacific Exposition it carried a number of hand traps, so that the officers and men could enjoy the sport while on the water.

Incidentally, many hundreds of private yachts, and even some ocean greyhounds, have been equipped with hand traps. Seldom does a steamship put out from any port these days without a supply of hand traps and targets. The clear background and the absence of anything that would tend to direct the attention of the shooter and the wide scope of space permitted offer ideal conditions for the sport. Conditions are just as good in the air, but the task of breaking the target is much more difficult.

A trapshooting tournament that was novel, to say the least, was recently conducted by the Edgewater Gun Club of Toledo, O. It was an international aqair, in which 15 nations were represented, or in other words, 15 overseas countries.

Any organization that can get Germans and English together these days with guns in their hands without shooting each other undertakes a big task, but that is what the Toledo club did, and got away with it in fine shape. Squads of five men represented each of these countries: England, Germany, France, Ireland, Hungary, Austria, Italy, Sweden, Denmark, Poland, Russia, Greece, Scotland and China, and there was one delegation that didn't have a flag, a Hebrew team.

Don't overlook the mention of China having a team in the cosmopolitan competition. Very few can reconcile a Chinaman with a gun, but they were right there. It was no doubt the first time a Chinese team ever appeared before the traps. The Celestials, all young men, were quick to learn the ways of the greatest American sport. So if you pick up a newspaper one of these days and see these five names in the summary do not feel alarmed, for they are O. K. in every respect. Here are the names: Henry Yee, Louie Quong, Henry Get, John Sew and Edward Keota.

As far as we could ascertain, all the shooting was confined to the regulation attacks upon the "blue rocks," but the spectators, if not the contestants, must now and then have had in mind the possibilities of an interchange of hostilities in imitation of the all-comers' grapple on the other side of the pond—but the influence of trapshooting is always toward peace and good-fellowship.

The Edgewater club in this many nationalities' shoot provided an attraction such as Americans never before witnessed, and drew an immense audience, but the greatest thing they did was to demonstrate the fundamental democracy of America, and it may be that trapshooting will act always as a rallying point around which this democracy may continually be exemplified.

Trapshooting is steadily growing in popularity as a feature in country club life. Organizations perfected for the development of other sports are turning to trapshooting for an all-year-round pastime. This is but natural, as "the sport alluring" attracts all those fond of outdoor pleasures.

The Baltsurol Golf Club of Newark, N. J., is the latest country club to promote trapshooting among its members. The Baltsurol Club is staging weekly and monthly handicap tournaments, and from a modest beginning in point of entries the list is being lengthened each week.

Some years ago the New York Athletic Club went into trapshooting on an extensive scale at its country home in Travers Island, and now quite a lot of the yacht and country clubs in and around New York have all the modern trapshooting appliances.

One of the largest country clubs interested in trapshooting is the Pinehurst Country Club, at Pinehurst, N. C. From the 17th to the 21st of January this organization conducted a handicap tournament, its ninth annual affair, and behind the traps on those days enough wealth will be represented to make Croesus poor in comparison. This is a national shoot and attracts men in every walk of life.—Peter P. Carney, Phil. Public Ledger.

Troubles of Pat and His Cub Bear

There is a saying about the bear family which is very, very true. You may have heard it before! it is "that there is never any telling what a bear will, or will not do." You may have heard this saying, and yet do not believe it—well, Patrick O'Leary was that way—once.

Pat first met the cup one evening in the early summer, over on the edge of his clearing. Strangely enough, the cub and Patrick both made the same mistake. They each underestimated the other. The cub, then about as large as a fox terrier, had strayed away from its mother, and, on seeing Patrick, it came to the conclusion that all it had to do to escape was to climb a small tamarack sapling. The old she bear could not have been far distant anyway, but this world wise infant did not for one instant bother about calling to her. Self-confident, self-reliant, up the sapling went the cub.

Patrick's mistake may have been more pardonable, but personally he did not see how one small cub up a shaky sapling could injure a big strong man with a rope over his arm. Ten minutes later, the cub safely trussed up on the ground, Pat might have modified this last statement, or might even have admitted that for its size there was a great deal of sharp claws and sharper teeth about the cub.

However he did neither—instead, he carried the cub across to his cabin; which really brings me to the beginning of my story.

After a few minutes' work, the cub, whimpering softly, was chained up to a box in one corner of the shack, and was left to its own devices and a saucer of milk. I am not going to tell you that it instantly upset the milk, because you will have already guessed that. After watching the cub's struggles for a few minutes in order to make certain that the captive was securely chained, Patrick took down his rifle and went out into the gathering dusk to try and find the old bear.

The finding itself was not dramatic. Pat went sneaking round one corner of his stable, and the bereaved mother went sneaking round the other. The two met on the corner. Pat stiffened in his tracks. The bear rose up in hers, and looking very big and black in the waning light, started to advance on her hind legs.

There was a sound very much like that made by a rifle dropping to the ground—an expression very like "Well!"—(only it wasn't!), and the next instant the man was sprinting for his cabin.

It was a magnificent race. Indeed, it was such a close finish that as soon as he had the door slammed to and locked, Pat turned round to be sure that the old bear wasn't in the room with him.

He heard her stamping about outside, and felt a bit easier; then he felt himself, and found that he still had a whole skin, though for the life of him he could not remember what he had done with his rifle.

"By Gosh," he said, after a few minutes spent in deep thought, "madder'n a whole nestful of hornets." And he swore, and repeated "By Gosh" several times.

Presently the old bear came back to the cabin, and put her nose down to the crack in the doorway, and went "snoof, snoof, snoof, snoof, sniff!" for several minutes. Pat says she did it for several hours, but then——!

On hearing her the cub started whining and wailing, and the old she-bear grew madder than before. She tried to push the door in, but Pat put the table up against it; it was a solidly made door else she would have ripped it to pieces. Next she tried the windows, but they proved to be too high from the ground; nor could she get on to the roof, else this story might have been a tragedy.

Finally, hearing no sound, Pat opened the door, and very gingerly stuck his head outside. The old bear saw him and came for the cabin at the gallop. Pat was pretty badly scared as he barricaded the door up again, wondering vaguely even as he did so, what the bear had been doing over at the barn.

As a matter of fact the old bear had been amusing herself tearing up some sacks of pig feed she had found there. She was so absolutely and thoroughly mad that destruction in its worst form was the only thing that appealed to her. For awhile she tried to get into the cabin by digging away the earth from underneath it, but the soil was too full of big boulders and she did not accomplish much, beyond ruining Pat's flower garden. All the time, too, she could hear the cub, mourning and grieving inside the cabin, and this, you may be sure, did not put her in any the better temper. And so the siege went on.

Pat's only firearm was the rifle; and the old bear had already made that look more like a railway accident than a Winchester. Once he lit the lamp, but Pat swears with his hand on his heart that the old bear came back and started throwing rocks at the windows; and so he sat in darkness.

Why didn't he let the cub go, and so end it all. The only reasons I can give are, firstly, a streak of obstinacy in his nature, and secondly, an advertisement in a paper. Pat had discovered this advertisement a week or two before; the paper itself had come into his life on the outside of a cheese. Briefly the advertisement stated that, for quick delivery, a Mr. William Migley would pay $50 for a live uninjured black bear cub. It had surprised Pat.

"By Gosh," he had said. "Fifty dollars for a b'ar cub. I ain't never got more'n ten dollars before." This partly explains why Pat had taken the rope across to the edge of the clearing with him; and I think it entirely explains why he didn't let the cub go. It wants a very strong heart to release fifty of the best after having them tied up in a corner of your cabin.

The night wore on. Pat could still hear the old bear occasionally—once she knocked against an empty coal oil can over by the barn, and once she came and "snoof-snoofed" at the door again.

The cub, too, had quieted down, and no longer strained and tugged at its tether. It seemed to be asleep, though Pat fancied that it was sobbing softly to itself.

Pat himself must have dozed, for of a sudden he was on his feet, the sweat breaking out on his forehead. Then came another awful squealing scream . . . and then, after what seemed an eternity, another, and by that Pat knew that his pig pen was demolished, and that his pigs were beyond all earthly aid. With black rage in his heart he awaited the dawn.

It came at long last. There was no comfort in the thought that the cub whining in his corner was worth half a hundred dollars; nor was there, I fear, very much profit in it now.

By and by, when it was fully light, Pat looked out of the window, and saw the old bear rooting up his garden. The madness in her had not yet gone down, and even as he watched, the bear left the garden, and started pulling the shacks off the side of his hay barn.

There was no rage left in Pat's heart now, only a dull wonder as to what the end could be. Fascinated, he still watched; he saw the she-bear come back to the ruined pig sty, and drag away one of the carcasses into the brush. This she repeated until she had disposed of all three bodies. Personally I think she buried them, for Patrick never found them.

The end came with great suddenness. Lying on the floor was the cheese scented paper containing the advertisement that was the cause of all the trouble. Pat picked it up, read Mr. Migly's offer over again, then idly glanced over the rest of the paper.

Suddenly, with an exclamation he was on his feet. He strode across the cabin, and seizing the protesting cub by the back of its neck, so that it could neither bite nor scratch, Pat most soundly boxed its ears. Followed a wild wailing and squealing; and back came the outraged mother.

Pat's mind was made up. He unchained the squealing cub, and sent it flying through the window just as the old bear came charging at the door. Her cub restored to her, the old bear quieted down at once. She made a bee line for the brush, the cub following at her heels. Pat, standing at the open doorway, watched them go.

"Take your cub, durn you," he said, "though you ain't left me much but ruin,' 'and as the bears reached the protecting brush he raised his voice, and shouted his last farewell: "And that advertisement was three years old, anyway!" He says the old bear looked back at him and grinned!

Now these are simple facts of the case. Personally I believe them. You may not. This is a free country.

But whether you do believe them, or whether you don't, for the love of little fishes don't ever try to josh Patrick O'Leary about bears. He's got a new rifle, and if you were to try and buy a bear cub of him—well, my gracious—he'll fill you so full of holes, your skin could be used for a sieve.—H. C. Haddon, in Rod and Gun.

NOTES GATHERED HERE AND THERE.

George W. Courtwright, deputy fish and game commissioner at Canby, Modoc county, is receiving treatment at the State hygienic laboratory in Berkeley as a result of being biten by a rabid dog in the streets of Alturas.

The dog attacked Courtwright and bit him on one leg. The head of the animal was sent to the laboratory for examination. It was determined the animal was rabid.

With ten minutes to spare, Courtwright caught a train out of Alturas. The train was stalled in the snow and Courtwright was three days in reaching Berkeley. He will take treatment for twenty-five days.

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The preliminary examination of Robert Locke, Stanton Wiliams, William Chaney and Elgin Donaldson, charged with killing deer out of season and having the meat in their possession, is up before Justice Mulroy. The arrests were made by Game Warden O'Connor near Nevada City who was accompanied to the scene by Deputy Sheriff Young.

The young men have been living at the old Houseman place, about three miles beyond that city. They denied any knowledge of the killing of deer at first, but when 100 pounds of deer meat was found in the cellar they said that one member of the party had killed a buck, showing the antlers to prove their story. Game Warden O'Connor however, maintained that the meat was a doe, and that the animal was killed within a week. This story the young men deny. All are charged with the crime, as it was shown that all had partaken of the meat.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

THE FARM

THE CONTROL OF SOIL WASHING

Soil washing is the greatest single source of loss on many rolling lands. It is greater than the loss of plant food through cropping. The washing off of the surface soil during a single season may remove as much organic matter as will be replaced by the turning under of two or three clover crops. A single rain may form gullies which it will require years to repair. And the injury to the land itself is only a part of the story. The filling of our smaller streams with silt and the great injury that is done navigation by the clogging of our large water courses with this eroded material is another very important phase of the subject, when the country as a whole is considered. The present season has certainly emphasized, in the minds of all observing farmers, the great havoc which is caused by soil washing.

There would be little need of calling attention to these matters if it were not for the fact that a large share of such damage is preventable. The great need of soil conservation is more strongly emphasized each year and in no way is greater care needed than in the prevention of soil erosion. While it is a very serious national problem, it is a matter over which the government or the state has little control. It is a problem for the individual land owner. Public sentiment should be awakened to the seriousness of the problem and the land owner brought to realize the importance of persistent efforts of control.

KINDS OF WASHING.

There are two kinds of soil washing—sheet washing and gullying. Sheet washing is the washing of the immediate surface soil without the formation of appreciable gullies. This is less noticeable than gullying, but almost as injurious, since it removes almost as large amounts of soil of the best surface layers, including large quantities of organic matter. Gullying has the disadvantage of leaving the field rough and a gully once started continues to enlarge unless remedial measures are adopted. Sheet washing is most common in freshly tilled land, such as corn land, where on sharp slopes as much as an inch of the best surface soil may be removed during a single heavy rain. The gullying usually starts in tilled land but unless stopped continues indefinitely.

CAUSES OF SOIL WASHING.

As long as land is kept in timber or in thick growing vegetation, as in its virgin state, the rate of surface loss from the average soil by erosion, is less than the rate of accumulation by rock weathering. When the land is put in cultivation, erosion is greatly increased and the rate of loss is then far greater than the rate of soil formation. It is, however, when the land is in tilled crops that the greatest loss occurs. Every farmer realizes the washing which accompanies corn-growing.

Careless Culture.—Careless culture is undoubtedly productive of the greatest losses. Where washes once start they invariably become worse rather than better if the land is kept in cultivation.

Shallow Plowing.—Shallow plowing is one of the causes of washing which usually accompanies careless farming. Where land is plowed shallow the water quickly penetrates to the depth of this loose soil and if the rain continues to fall more rapidly than it can be absorbed by the compact soil beneath, the run-off will carry with it sofe of this loose surface soil. If the rainfall is very heavy the shallow surface soil may be entirely removed on the steeper slopes. If the plowing is deep, most, if not all, of the water will be absorbed and washing greatly decreased.

Insufficient Organic Matter.—One of the important causes contributing to washing is a low supply of organic matter in the soil. Soils with much organic matter absorb the water more rapidly and the organic matter also tends to bind the particles together and prevent washing. For this reason old lands, low in organic matter, wash worse than new lands. Likewise corn land prepared from stubble ground washes worse than corn land prepared from sod.

Clay Soil Absorbs Water Slowly.—The texture of the soil is also an important factor in determining the amount of washing. A sandy soil absorbs water rapidly and washes very little. A clay soil, on the other hand, absorbs water slowly and is particularly subject to gullying. The intermediate soils such as fine sandy loams and silts are most affected by sheet washing but they will also gully badly.

Frequent Heavy Rains.—Probably the most important single cause of soil washing is the occurrence of frequent torrential rains, particularly when the land is being cultivated. A continental climate, such as that found in Missouri, must invariably have a rainfall of unequal distribution, with many torrential rains, and therefore a greater amount of serious soil erosion than occurs in those regions more favorably situated in this respect.

CONTROLLING WASHING.

In controlling washing, as in controlling disease, preventive measures are more important than remedies. Where washing has already taken place, of course remedial measures alone are left. If the washing has been long continued, however, the remedies are costly and it is rare that the land can be put into as good condition as it was in originally, even with great expense. There are few cases where the old saying that "a stitch in time saves nine" is more applicable than in the handling of land to prevent washing.

PREVENTIVE MEASURES.

A crop rotation which leaves the land bare as short a time as possible is the most fundamental preventive measure. Naturally corn must be grown on most farms but there are very few where corn must be grown over one-third of the time on the individual fields and where all the stalk land must lie bare during the fall, winter, and spring.

Winter Cover Crops.—The use of winter cover crops such as rye will go a long way in preventing the washing of the fall, winter and spring rains. The man who has never tried a crop like rye will be surprised at the effect of the fibrous roots of this crop in holding the soil. Other crops which may be used to advantage are wheat, barley, and—in the southern half of

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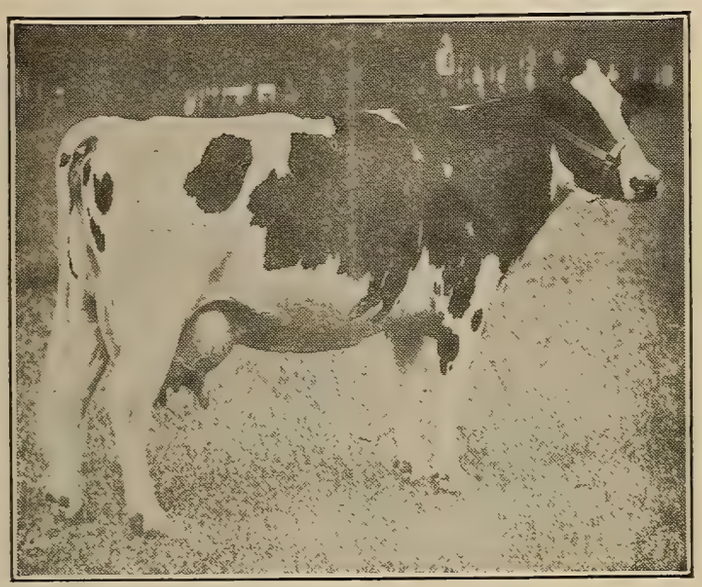
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Rock Valley, Iowa, Jan. 14, 1916.

Mr. Louis Peterson,
Santa Ana, Cal.

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THE CONTROL OF SOIL WASHING

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the state—crimson clover. The use of such crops not only means a saving of soil but also the addition of organic matter or humus—a substance badly needed in most lands which are inclined ta wash.

Deep Plowing.—The second general principle of prevention is that of deep plowing, the object being to provide a deeper reservoir to hold the heavy rains and to cause a rapid absorption of the water. Fortunately, in Missouri, plowing is generally deeper than in the southern states where washing is most destructive. There is, however, still much room for improvement in many cases. Rolling land should rarely be plowed less than five inches deep and from seven to nine inches is usually better. Land plowed eight inches deep can be expected to absorb practically twice as much water as that plowed four inches deep, at least for the first few weeks after plowing, and the rains which will be heavy and torrential enough to cause washing with the deeper plowing will be much less frequent.

Contour Farming.—A preventive measure which the Missouri farmer on rolling land must sooner or later learn to apply is that of contour farming, that is, farming the land arounr or across the slope, rather than with the slope. Where furrows run up and down the slope washing is greatly increased. In the southern states this princle is almost universally practised in the rolling sections. Where land washes badly, it is more important to cultivate corn across the slope only, than it is to check the corn and plow both ways. The man who drills his corn with the slope because the field is somewhat longer in that direction and therefore increases very materially washing of the land is certainly not doing all he can to maintain soil productiveness. Of course, on many rolling fields, of considerable size, the land may slope in different directions in different parts of the field and under extensive systems of farming it is difficult to divide such fields so that this so-called "contour farming" may be practised. As agriculture becomes more intensive, however, more and more attention should be given to this practise. It is unlikely that the terracing of lands which is so common in the southern states will have a very important place in Missouri agriculture, but there are many farms in the rolling sections where such a system would be economical under more intensive systems of farming.

Organic Matter in Soil.—A fourth general preventive measure in controlling washing is that of maintaining organic matter in the soil. Soils low in organic matter wash much more than those high in organic matter. This is due to the fact that soils high in organic matter absorb water more rapidly than those which are low in this material, while the presence of organic matter also aids in binding the soil particles together, thus preventing washing. The farmer who maintains organic matter by crop rotation, manuring, and the growing of cover crops will suffer little from soil-washing.

STOPPING WASHES.

The remedies for soil washing are mostly included under the various methods of filling gullies. Many means are employed, different methods being applicable under different conditions. Whatever method is adopted, however, constant care is necessary if the best results are to be secured.

Straw for Small Gullies.—In the case of certain soils where small gullies persist in starting in corn fields, wheat fields, and even in pastures and meadows during the fall and winter, the immediate use of straw or similar material is necessary to stop them. In such cases constant attention is required and these small gullies should never be allowed to reach any considerable size. This is particularly true in pastures or meadows, where it is often considered that the land is protected by the grass and no attention need be given it. Gullies starting in drainage ways or in cattle paths on such fields often develop to tremendous size.

Drag Dirt and Sow Sorghum.—In cultivated fields where gullies start in the spring or early summer, a very good plan is to drag in some dirt and sow sorghum. If the sorghum gets started before a heavy rain comes it will hold the soil and make it possible to harrow and cultivate across these gullies during the season, thus dragging in dirt which will entirely fill them. Gullies a foot deep and two or three feet wide may be quite effectively filled in this way.

Fill, Plow, Harrow, Seed.—Gullies a foot or two in depth and from two to four feet wide can well be stopped with straw or debris, and dirt plowed on top of this during the late winter or spring months so as to fill them as nearly as possible. They should then be harrowed over and top dressed with manure containing timothy hay or barn floor sweepings, or if these are not available sow timothy seed with the manure. Some alfalfa, bluegrass, and red top seed may often be added with the timothy to advantage. Where straw or debris is not available such gullies may be merely plowed in, harrowed, manured, and seeded to grass, as mentioned above, with good results. Sorghum may also be seeded on this filled-in soil to hold the land during the summer and fall and the grass seeded the following spring.

Brush, Logs, Stumps for Large Gullies.—Gullies which are too large to plow in easily, offer a very serious and expensive problem in filling. Brush, logs and stumps may be used in filling them and where properly handled these prove very effective. Stones are also sometimes used but they are of little value. Brush should always be piled with the tops up stream. In the case of fine brush, particularly, it is best to stake it down at intervals. Where available, osage orange and cedar furnish the best of brush to use. If brush is mixed with straw it is usually more satisfactory than where used alone and the more compact it can be made the better. Loose brush is of little value.

Brush Dam.—The use of various sorts of dams in the stopping of gullies is becoming common. For small gullies a row of stakes driven across and straw piled above answers in some cases, but these must be continually watched. For larger gullies a dam of brush gives fair results when properly built. It is best to build it of green brush with leaves on it, if cedar is not available, laying the longer pieces on the bottom with the tops up stream, then piling the shorter pieces on top. For best results the brush should be mixed with straw and staked down. It should be tightly packed and left lowest in the middle to prevent cutting around the edges.

Concrete Dams.—Reinforced concrete dams are quite satisfactory for particular locations, especially for those large gullies which are deep and narrow. Such dams should be from six to twelve inches thick, depending on the size and depth of the gully. The proper reinforcing of such a dam is very important, iron rods of good weight being essential in the larger dams and heavy wires in the smaller ones. The middle should be left lower than the edges and a spillway provided with a concrete, stone, or brick apron placed in the bottom of the gully to prevent cutting by the falling water. The ends of a concrete dam should extend well back into the ditch banks on either side to prevent the water cutting around. Any such dam will gradually allow the gully above to fill with sediment.

Dickey System.—The use of earth dams for filling large gullies is very common in some parts of the state. A system known as the Dickey system has recently come into some prominence. It consists of a dam, usually of earth, at the bottom of which is placed a large sewer tile with the upper end turned upward by means of an elbow toint. The water must rise behind the dam to the height of the upturned tile before it can pass on. The sediment is largely deposited in this standing water. Extra joints are then placed on the upturned tile as the dirt accumulates until the gully is

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entirely filled. In order to remove the standing water above the dam a tile is often laid in a shallow ditch made in the bottom of the gully for a short distance, covered well to prevent washing out, and this is then either run into the sewer pipe or through the dam.

Sewer of Good Size.—The most important point in handling this system of filling gullies is to have the sewer large enough to carry the water of the heaviest rains, thus preventing an overflow which will cut out the dam. Of course the large reservoir for water above the dam allows considerable storage, until the gully is nearly filled, which decreases the danger of the dam overflowing. Such a sysetem is especially applicable to wide and rather shallow gullies such as commonly occur near the lower side of a slope but it may be used on any large gully. Of course where the slope is steep and the gully long, a number of such dams must be installed.

Fill Hillside Gully With Debris.—For large hillside gullies it is usually much better to fill with debris of various kinds and plow or scrape in. Repeated backfurrowing over the gully will gradually fill it. After it is filled, cover heavily with manure and work thoroughly into the surface, seeding down to grass with rye, oats, or other quick-growing cereal which will help to hold the soil until the grass gets started. Such filling of large gullies is expensive, but it can be done if proper efforts are put forth. Land so gullied is practically worthless and one can afford to put a large amount of work into filling them.

Plant Willow or Bushes.—The planting of willows or bushes along the edge of a gully is often done for the purpose of stopping further erosion. Where they get o good hold and a good growth in the ditch sides and bottom, they aid greatly in filling it. This planting is best done in late winter or early spring and those washing out should be replaced until a permanent stand is secured.—M. F. Miller, University of Missouri.

THE FERTILIZER SITUATION IN THE UNITED STATES.

[Concluded from last week.]

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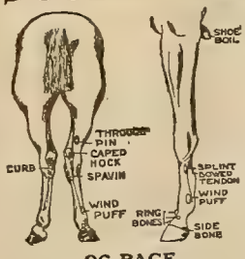
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THAT FAIR ASSOCIATION.

During the fall meeting at the Panama-Pacific Exposition a number of persons directly interested in the future of the district fair on this coast met in this city and formed a new organization known as the Pacific Coast Fair Association. Attendance at the two meetings was good, enthusiasm ran high, and the ball was started rolling in very good shape. From lack of action of any description on the part of the association or its officers, however, "the ball" would seem to be of the snow ball variety, as it has evidently melted or hit a post and gone to pieces. Our assumption in the matter may be entirely erroneous and we will be pleased to have it so proven, as there is a great need for concerted action on the part of trotting horse breeders and campaigners in behalf of the welfare of their industry. There are very many applicable axioms which could be quoted in the present instance such as "the Lord helps those who help themselves," etc., and if horsemen expect the sport of trotting to be popularized and perpetuated on this coast they themselves must take the initiative in the matter.

There was a need for the organization that was effected, and a most excellent field for its activities, as by a little real hard work done in their behalf the situation of the small fairs in California would be very greatly improved. The new body and its aims were given a good deal of favorable publicity by the daily papers and numbers of the country publications at the time its organization was effected, and the proposal to boost California fairs, with horse racing, was well received in many quarters. Certain localities expressed their intention of giving a fair and solicited the co-operation of the new concern, while breeders of the saddle horse and the thoroughbred signified not merely their willingness but their eagerness to join hands with the trotting horse breeders in an effort to set the fairs upon an enduring and profitable basis.

Business affairs engaged in prior to his selection as secretary caused the absence of Secretary Smith from California for some weeks, an absence prolonged through the sad and regrettable death of a member of his family, but he was expected to begin operations immediately upon his return to the state, which was effected some weeks ago. Mr. Smith is helpless without adequate funds, and at this writing we have had no word of any steps having been taken in any way by the association, and very respectfully suggest to all its members and prospective members that prompt action must be taken if the body is to accomplish anything of a beneficial nature this season—and this season is the proper one for making their start. The subscription and membership campaign must be renewed with vigor, and the canvass of the state that will enable horsemen to know exactly what fairs will be held, and when, must be made without further delay. There are a number of local associations that will give events of more or less pretensions, but these should be welded into a harmonious circuit, with consecutive dates, uniform conditions and an itinerary for economical shipping, for there are a good many miles between points in California and the purses will not be large enough to justify campaigners in covering the same route more than once.

We especially urge that subscriptions to the funds of the organization be made good, and suggest that the matter of subscriptions be taken up with present and prospective members on a new basis. The figures aimed at before were entirely too high, and, in our estimation, in excess of the amount required for the accomplishment of a great deal of good. It is not necessary that enough be raised to finance a number of meetings, for in the first place there are not the idle plants available for the giving of many independent affairs, or new events. The fairs that will be given will be sponsored by the old local associations in almost every instance, though perhaps a few new ones might be provided for were the horsemen to back them largely. These are practically negligible quantities, and the manner in which the greatest good may be accomplished lies through a close co-operation between the horsemen's organization and those already in existence at various points throughout the state.

The volumns of this paper are open to the discussion of all questions relating to this matter and we will be glad to hear the views of any of our readers concerning the same.

THE REVIEW RACING GUIDE.

Volume Four of the Horse Review Racing Guide arrived on the Pacific coast last week and has been eagerly welcomed by those who had subscribed for the same earlier in the season. The appearance of this number of the series was slightly delayed owing to sickness late last year in the ranks of the Review staff, but the matter contained within its covers is of the kind that will merely increase in value with the passing of time and the inconvenience of getting along without it for a few weeks has merely added warmth to the welcome it received when it did arrive.

The Guide, while not an official publication of either of the parent associations which govern the affairs of the trotting turf in America, is in certain respects far superior to any of the other statistical works of a similar nature insofar as filling the requirements of the casual delver into trotting lore. In reality the use of the words "of a similar nature" is largely in error, as there are no books like it save in a few respects. While of necessity failing to include within its covers a certain portion of the detailed information presented in the official works, it goes a great deal farther in other very interesting and important respects and presents a vast fund of authentic matter, condensed and easily accessible, that is not to be gleaned from the official statistics save by long research on the part of one highly conversant with the use of the Year Book and possessed of a complete issue of the same.

The popularity of the Guide since its inception has made the trotting horse public very familiar with its general makeup, and Volume Four possesses all the important features of its predecessors, to which new and welcome additions have been made. The statistical tables of an unusual nature that have proven so useful and popular previously have been enlarged and brought down to date, while the added matter is of a nature that greatly enhances the scope and value of the publication. Only by a thorough inspection can all its good points be realized, and we take pleasure in recommending it to the library or office of every horseman.

HANFORD IN LINE FOR 1916.

The directors of the Kings County Fair Association held a meeting at Hanford last Saturday and after a thorough discussion and review of conditions as they exist today in California, it was decided to hold the customary county fair along the same lines that made it popular and successful in the years prior to 1915. For sixteen years in a row the "Little Kingdom of Kings" had put on one of the very best small fairs in the west until the exposition came along and broke into the series, and now the work will be taken up where it was left off and the fair will be made bigger and better in every way.

Kings county, in the heart of a ready money section where prosperity is assured through a highly advanced and successful system of agriculture in which the adequate production of livestock plays a very important part, has every natural advantage for the upbuilding of a really great agricultural fair. It owns its own fair grounds, which are fairly well improved, and the country surrounding it is well settled and provided with good roads. The grounds are well provided with shade trees that make the old-fashioned system of going to the fair for the day and eating a picnic dinner on the grass an enjoyable one, and while most of the buildings have weathered the storms of several years they are in good repair and of a capacity adequate to the demands which have been imposed upon them in previous years. The track is of the two-lap variety but is a safe one to race over, and the association plans not only to improve their buildings considerably but also to increase their track to the regulation mile dimensions. A condemnation suit now pending will be settled in ample time for the construction of the mile course for use at this year's fair, if the decision is favorable to the county, but whether or not the new track is built, the directors promise the best fair in the history of the association.

Dates were not claimed at the meeting Saturday, but efforts will be made to have arrangements perfected that will enable Kings county to stage her exhibition during the last week of September.

Now that Hanford has set the pattern by declaring herself, we will be pleased to hear of similar action on the part of some eight or ten other associations. The time is ripe to get together and arrange dates for the entire season in such manner that there will be no conflicts.

Who will be next?

TO STALLION OWNERS.

With mares that were bred during the early portion of 1915 already beginning to drop foals, it behooves the stallion owner to get a hustle on himself and go out after the business. Breeding operations are not as heavy as in former years but there will be more mares mated to good horses this year than was the case last season, we are confident, and dull business in any line of mercantile activity is no sign for the easing up of the spirit of competition. Stallion owners are inclined to say "What's the use?" under the same circumstances that set the merchant to scratching gravel just a little bit deeper and going after what trade there is just so much harder. The man who gets the trade that keeps him going in dull times is the man that has the most to offer for the money and is most successful in keeping the public apprised of this fact. The sheriff's sign appears with the greatest frequency upon the doors of establishments that kept only mediocre goods and then made but a half-hearted effort to dispose of them.

The best mediums for setting the wares of the stallion owner before his customers, the owners of brood mares who do not support private stallions, are the announcements of service in the columns of the turf paper covering his particular section of the land, and the card or folder giving the pedigree of his horse and a summary of the performance of his get, if he be already a proven sire, or a synopsis of the grounds for the belief that he will become a sire should he be a youngster yet untried in this respect. The Breeder and Sportsman offers service of both kinds to its patrons, and recommends the use of its columns and its compiling and printing facilities, secure in the knowledge that money so invested by breeders and owners has been returned to them with interest and profit for a period of thirty-four years. Only a cursory glance through our files is needed to show that the most successful horsemen have been liberal users of printer's ink as exemplified by our advertising pages and reading columns.

There has never existed greater incentive to the production of trotting speed than afforded by the immediate future, for the shortage in aged performers, caused by the falling off in breeding operations for the past few years, is beginning to make itself manifest in no uncertain way. The great sales companies of the east are facing a shortage of aged consignments to their auctions, and the young things are coming largely from Kentucky and Virginia. There is in California a great array of well bred mares, capable of producing performers of the highest degree of excellence, that have not been bred for the last season or so owing to local conditions, and stallion owners should make every effort to secure the bookings of every one of these matrons this season. Most of them will be well bred, and the greater portion of them will be mated to the stallions that are best kept in the public eye.

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THE LIMITATIONS OF THE TROTTER'S PRESENT FIELD OF SERVICE

Among the interesting communications that have found their way to the office of the Breeder and Sportsman during the early portion of the present year is one from a stallion owner in California who has found business fairly satisfactory in the face of the slump that has existed for the last several seasons. His horse has made three seasons in the same locality, his colts have found a ready market at fair figures, and a number of good mares have been booked to him for the present breeding season. After telling of the business as he finds it in his own case, he makes the following observations concerning the situation in general:

"In conclusion, it is my opinion that the owners of standard bred stallions are to blame more than anyone else actively associated with breeding for the slump in this class of horses, largely by keeping stallions entire and in service that have nothing to recommend them but a pedigree of speed inheritance. The pedigree is all right, but the farmer cannot race his horse or go to market or plow with him on that alone. He must have size, compact form and intelligence. A rattle headed horse is nearer nothing than anything a man can own, no matter what other good points he may have. Castrate more of these light boned, nervous stallions and offer the farmer breeder a horse of the 'Zomblack' type. Then, if he doesn't get a race horse, he will have a good serviceable animal to drive and work, one with a kind, tractable disposition, and one that the owner is proud of.

"I find the small breeder a good customer when you can show him you have a useful horse to breed to. I remember when the saddle horse was down at the bottom of the ladder, wasn't worth his oats. Result: A few sensible admirers got together and by judicious breeding have made the saddler the most profitable of all light horses.

"With the standardbred, speed will always be one of the most important considerations; combine this with compact form and intelligence and you have the most useful horse in the world. 'Size enough for the plow, style enough for the carriage and speed enough for the race track' form the requirements of the horse the breeder should endeavor to raise, not speed alone. When this becomes the universal practice, the standard bred will soon push his heavier rivals to the wall and occupy his rightful place, the peer of all horses.

"Give us the county fair, smaller purses, overnight entries, and every trainer in California will be busy and every man that owns a fairly good horse will have a chance to make money."

While we agree unreservedly with our correspondent that there are a great many stallions retained in service which should be subjected to the process of castration for the benefit of the breed in general, and while we admit that his views concerning the type of horse which breeders should endeavor to produce are applicable to the situation in many localities, the horse which he advances as the ideal type that will save the business and assure it of a long lived prosperity, possessing "size enough for the plow, style enough for the carriage and speed enough for the race track," is not one whose production will ease the burden upon the American breeder as a whole, for a number of reasons which are readily apparent to the man who has been trying to market his output of horseflesh for the last several years.

There was a time, of course, when the demand for carriage, road and general utility horses afforded a ready market for all trotting bred horses of a certain amount of substance, soundness and docility, whether or not they would do to race, and there are yet communities where the horse of this class is in demand and plays a very important part in the daily life of the resident of those sections. Through the advent of the inexpensive motor car and the gasoline driven tractor of many types, the field of endeavor of the general purpose horse and the roadster has been very greatly reduced and the market price of the same very materially affected, in spite of the fact that the breeding of the light harness horse family has constantly improved and its inherent qualities of general usefulness have been enhanced. The breeder who has produced, during the five years last passed, the trotter of a generally serviceable type has found himself "out of pocket" as the result of his operations at the end of the year, while the one who has made speed his prime consideration, and has succeeded in producing the same to a certain degree, has been able to find a fairly ready market at figures that enabled him to break even or a little better.

While California offers many wonderful natural advantages for the production of the horse in an advanced stage of perfection, the expense attached to the operation is such that the selling of the finished product of the farm of the breeder of the trotter at the average market price prevalent throughout the state leaves no margin of profit. In many localities the grazing season is not of long duration, though in certain sections horses may forage for themselves for by far the greater portion of the year. In other sections breeders depend largely upon alfalfa, which is plentiful and but moderately costly, but a continuous diet of alfalfa is not conducive to the production of a horse that will stand up under any sort of prolonged and extreme exertion, though intelligently fed as a balance for the daily ration it is most excellent and beneficial. A familiarity with conditions in widely scattered portions of the state leads the writer to the opinion that the man who produces trotting horses and "gets off" at an average cost of ten dollars a month per head for horses not in training is doing fairly well. These figures are excessive for some localities and are none too high for others, as will be attested upon application to breeders whose operations are conducted on a scale that necessitates the close keeping of costs and the employment of strict business methods.

On government estimates there are in the state of California at present approximately 493,000 horses of an average value of $96, as compared with 483,000 of an average value of $117 five years ago. Grazing and agricultural lands are increasing in value rather than decreasing, and in the face of these figures where does the trotting breeder who produces the average horse "get off"? As stated above there are localities where the all purpose horse is yet in strong demand and in these sections the breeder comes out with a profit even if his horses will not do to race save in occasional instances—and by the way these same localities are as a rule the ones in which the horse may be bred and brought to a serviceable age under the most economical conditions. On rare occasions a trotter or a team is bought for park use or show ring purposes at a fair price, but the demand is limited and the market over supplied. There remains this one alternative for the breeder of the trotter, taking the situation as a whole: "THE PRODUCTION OF HORSES THAT WILL RACE." These have earning capacity in excess of the average horse that justifies the public in paying an enhanced price for them to an extent that returns the breeder a living profit.

In spite of the hard game that horsemen have bucked here on the coast of late years, there are a few who have made breeding and racing their sole business and have made a living and something over for the "rainy day." The writer can do no better for the fraternity at large than to relate to them the ideas of one of the most successful of these gentlemen just alluded to, advanced at different times during the past several months when the future of the trotting industry was the foremost topic of conversation. For the sake of brevity and conciseness the gist of many such little talks may be presented as follows:

"I have been estimating my costs pretty carefully for the last few years and find that they have been constantly increasing until now, if I give brood mares or other pastured horses proper care and attention, they cost me not less than ten dollars per head a month, possibly a little more. This, of course, means the cost of labor, grass, hay and grain when needed, interest on the capital represented on a conservative valuation, and minor items that would be prime considerations of any man engaged in an ordinary business pursuit—and my business is breeding and racing horses. I have been at it a good many years, and while the demands for road and business horses formerly furnished a most welcome outlet for all of my products that would not stand the gaff or lacked the speed required to go to the races, my aim has always been to breed the race horse. Now that the market for the 'by-product' of my establishment has been curtailed the race horse is more than ever my aim—and not merely that, either; his production is a necessity, absolutely. This puts my operations entirely upon a race horse producing basis, and with speed I require the attributes of intelligence, soundness, and general individual excellence that play such important parts in the makeup of the campaigner that can be expected to be a success today. I want size enough to guarantee strength and stamina, but above that I am not particular.

"To get my affairs on this basis has required a good deal of culling and selecting. I own a number of mares and stallions, and breed both to my own horses and to the best sires owned in the west when I consider that I have a filly that would produce better, for reasons largely based upon pedigree and performance, to some horse other than my own. My stallions do public service, and the fact that I mate my own mares to them is their initial recommendation to the breeding fraternity, their second recommendation, and most conclusive one, being the record of the performance of their get as found in the summaries of the season's races. I do not use a horse myself or put him in service unless I have the best of grounds for the belief that he will sire horses that will race, for under present conditions those are the only kind that it pays me or my patrons to raise. If I am mistaken in a horse, I am the first person to acknowledge the error and retire him from service. My brood mares have been selected in the same way and additions to their ranks are made on probation only. I limit the band of mares I am to maintain to a very moderate number and the older ones are in every instance proven producers of race horses, most of them for two or three generations. The younger ones are selected from lines which have been productive in the past, but if they themselves do not prove prolific, or even if their produce are fast and game but of the unlucky variety, as sometimes happens, their term of life in my pastures is short. They go to market "as is," and whatever sum they bring is accepted without complaint on my part. My horses of both sexes must do more than merely promise results—they must accomplish them. In spite of my precautions I get a certain number of foals that do not mature into horses that will race (and sell them at a loss), and every other breeder finds himself in the same boat; but I do get a sufficiently large number that will race and that will win money or sell for many times the price of the average horse to make my operations both pleasant and profitable. I may add, incidentally, that it is a source of much gratification to know that I am steadily producing a larger percentage of horses that will and do race and fewer of the other kind.

"Without indulging in any egotistical comment or meaning to throw boquets at myself for applying common business principles to my operations and thereby avoiding some of the hardships that have befallen some of my brother breeders, I believe firmly that mine is the only system that will pay the trotting horse breeder a profit year in and year out, and I mean not only the stock farm proprietor but the man who owns one or two mares and patronizes public stallions. Unless your mares produce race horses after a fair trial, discard them; unless the get of your stallions or those you patronize stand the test of today on the race track, seek elsewhere for the proper mate for your matrons. The man who fails to conduct his operations upon such a basis has small grounds for complaint if the same are productive of loss in place of profit. Take a good long whiff of gasoline and make up your mind to breed trotters that will race. Then you can buy more gasoline. I use it myself and I like the results attained in the way of pleasure and quick transportation. The exact date on which I last drove a horse and buggy on the road save in a purely professional manner has slipped my mind. There are a lot of other good horse breeders and horse lovers who are in the same fix, and if we ourselves will not use our own best products for the conduct of our every-day affairs and the pursuit of pleasurable recreation, why rail against the general public for forsaking the leather line in favor of the steering wheel?

"Me for the trotter that will trot!"

These opinions are the result of a good many years of successful endeavor, and will be found most timely at this moment, when the breeding season is beginning.

THE "SWIPE"—FROM THE INSIDE.

It was well past four o'clock, one afternoon last week, when a bunch of tired, cold and hungry grooms, swipes or caretakers, were "stalling around" (after being "on the job" from 6:30 a. m.), waiting for the "head jock" to vacate the warm and cozy office, and beat it home to his steam-heated "shack," so that they could get a chance to warm up their shins; and thaw out their numb fingers and toes.

After shaking up the fire and getting up a good blaze, all huddled around the stove, and one of them grabbed up the Horse Review and started to read out loud some of the items that would interest an ordinary "swipe."

When he got to "Marque's" story, "Grooms as Factors in the Sport," a vote was taken, and it was decided to postpone the reading of it until after "bean time."

Well, after putting away under our belts the one-twenty-first part of a four-dollar-a-week meal ticket, we hustled back to the stable and finished up our chores, such as watering, bedding and taking care of a few suspicious "fingers." This being done, we next made up our "flops." "Now, get the Review and read that 'Groom Dope' to us," was the word, so it was done.

After the story was re-read several times, we decided that the first four paragraphs were O. K. But the fifth—"There are good and bad grooms," it read. Here an old-time groom who is "guideless" this winter, spoke up and asked the question, "What is the difference between a good and bad groom?" Some said one that could keep up a cripple or bad-legged horse; some said one that could and would only take care of one horse; still another said, "One that could take care of a 'livery stable string.'"

"You are all wrong," said the old-timer. "I know what I am talking about, too. Here is the difference in a nut-shell. A good, high-class groom gets one dollar a day and his feed. A second-class groom, or rather, one that is employed by a second-class trainer, receives eighty-three and one-third cents per day and his beans. So you see, the actual difference between them is, practically and financially speaking, sixteen and two-thirds cents per day, and his beans.

"Take that case of Johnnie Clark, receiving a check for a thousand dollars as a present for taking care of Peter Scott. This will, no doubt, drive a lot of 'Johnny Plows' into the ranks of the 'swipes.' They don't realize that this is a world's record tip for a groom. We occasionally hear of some 'big hearted' jock divorcing himself from a hundred-dollar bill after grabbing off a five or ten thousand-dollar stake, but these cases are rare, indeed; and I'll bet that I can count all the names of the grooms that were lucky enough to grab off a hundred or more during the past ten years, on the fingers of my two hands. So, let me impress the fact upon the future would-be groom that the above cases are generally classed with the 1-to-10,000 shots, and instead of receiving any tip at all, after rubbing a winner all season and living upon a 'six-bit' allowance in an endeavor to save the eighty-three and one-third cents that is dished out at the end of the month, so that he can buy a cheap suit, or pair of shoes to carry him over the winter, he generally has his shoes pulled off at the last meeting, be it a hundred or a thousand miles from home, to rustle or beat his way back there again.

"That there are no unions or regular hours of work we all know. We are on duty like a bunch of soldiers—sleep when you can and eat when get a chance. Of course, we will all have to admit that it would hardly be possible to have any regular hours. But it would be possible, if the boys would all stick together, to have a uniform scale of wages. Of course, all of the Grand Circuit stables pay their boys one dollar a day and allow them enough so that they can eat three square meals a day. But there are a great many so-called high-class stables shipped around the country that expect a groom to deliver the same class of goods as they do down the 'Big Ring,' and also keep on a respectable front, on the old-time scale of eighty-three and one-third cents, with a two-bit allowance for meals.

"Boys, it can't be done, if you ever expect to save a nickel. How would some of our top jocks feel if they had to load a car of horses and the pile of junk that every stable carries, and then, after you are red hot and covered with perspiration, go to some cheap eating place and try to get the wrinkles out of your bread basket on a two-bit lay-out, while the boss, who probably don't do a stroke outside of stand around and look wise, goes to some high-class dump, takes a bath, changes clothes, has some liquid refreshments, and then a feed that costs a couple of bones; then says, 'Now I feel pretty fair,' and jumps aboard a Pullman and beats it for the next town. He gets there in the morning and waits for the poor, tired-out swipes to blow in with the horses and junk. Probably the train is several hours late, and consequently we don't get a thing to eat or drink until we arrive at the track; this, oftentimes, after we have led our horses several miles from the railroad station to the track. Do we eat then? Oh, no! We have got to feed and water our horses first. By this time the van carrying the trunks, junk and sulkies arrives and this has got to be unloaded and placed in order. An awning has to be put up and the sulkies and carts put together. And all this time the top-jock is waiting for us to get one ready to jog. It may be getting along toward noon, but he never asks us whether we have had any breakfast or not; and if we ask him for the price of a meal, he is mighty apt to ask us, 'What in the h—— did you do with that dollar I gave you yesterday morning?' By the time he comes across and you, tired, dry and hungry, head for the grand stand for a bite to eat, you will find it mighty hard to get by the 'thirst emporium' without having at least one drink. You have got to be quite a financier to make your six-bits last all day, but you figure like this: I missed my breakfast, so I will spend one-half of it for a drink, and add the other half to my dinner money; eat a good feed and then wear the 'muzzle' the balance of the day; or get a sandwich and a beer for supper. Yea, bo—it's some life!"

"What 'Marque' says about 50 per cent. of us being laid off in the fall should read, 80 per cent. And where he says that a boy is often handed three head to take care of during the winter, is the worst 'pipe dream' I ever heard him spring. Ten, twelve and fifteen head is a closer and safer estimate, and at that the poor groom is often forced to put in the winter at reduced wages, and also help carry along a few of his less fortunate 'Knights of the Rag.'"

There is no sentiment lost between the average owner, trainer and groom. It matters not how faithful they have been, when they are laid off they are thrown upon their own resources.

I know of one old-time groom that had charge of a now retired champion, and after spending the better part of his life doing so (during which time the owner realized close on to a hundred thousand dollars, going exhibition miles), and then this poor old groom was handed six or seven colts to take care of. This was quite a task for a man who was in the habit of rubbing only one, even if he was a champion. Consequently when he was offered another position to rub a champion in a distant part of the country, he decided to take it, and notified the owner that he would leave the day before the first of the following month. This gave the owner ten days' notice to get some one in his place, and it would give the groom a chance to go to work on his new job on the first of the month. Now he had worked for this man faithfully for eight or ten years and had never missed a day, but still when he received his final check he was "docked" for that one day.

Still, some of us say that sentiment plays an important part in the game!—Libertyville, in the Horse Review.

The Story of J. T. 2:12 1-4

SIRE OF THE DAM OF PETER MAC 2:03½

Away back in 1890 there arrived in Tacoma, from what part of the world I do not now recall, a young man named Jinson James. The boy had a great love for horses and procured for himself a job at the Stony Oak Stock Farm, owned by Dr. Wintermute, where James Hickey was at that time the trainer. Like many another young man, Jinson James had hopes that he would some day own a great race horse, and after a season at Stony Oak Farm he decided that he would go to California, which was at that time the world's greatest breeding center for the light harness horse. A few members of the family of Dexter Prince had been racing around Tacoma and had impressed young James by the excellence of their general qualities, so he picked out Lodi as his objective point and hied himself for that little city, in due time procuring a job at L. M. Morse's Live Oak Farm, at that time the home of Dexter Prince.

For about a year the youngster stuck to his job as farm hand at Live Oaks, feasting his eyes meanwhile upon the horses owned by his employer, but one day he decided to quit and called for his time. Morse at the moment was evidently a bit short on coin of the realm (something that has happened at various times both before and since to a good many folks in the trotting horse business) and asked James if he could and would take a colt as part pay. Jinson found this proposition acceptable, and as he had a pretty good line on the horseflesh then on the farm he lost little time in making his selection—a very elegant three-year-old bay stallion of good breeding, with black points and a beautiful flowing tail. Taking this colt at a valuation of three hundred dollars and getting the balance of his wages in cash, James said goodby to Lodi and started back to the northwest, eventually, by means of boat and road, arriving at Tacoma with the horse in excellent condition.

Many is the time that Jinson James sat and told me of the good points of his bay stallion, and that his name was J. J., sired by Live Oak Hero, a crippled son of Director and Nelly Grant by Santa Claus; that his dam was a mare named Ada by Dexter Prince, his grandam Ida W. by Abbottsford, his third dam by Winthrop, and his fourth dam a daughter of Chieftain. We who were friends and admirers of Jinson James and his three-year-old colt were sure that J. J. would be a great horse, as he looked the part in every particular and was a grand, bold-going trotter.

Before leaving California with his most prized possession, James had started the colt in a three-year-old race at Napa which he had won in straight heats, defeating a field of five and taking a record of 2:26. After arriving at Tacoma he effected a combination with a trainer from Kansas named Wickersham and who was at that time training horses over the mile track at Tacoma, the basis of the agreement being that Wick would train J. J. in return for poor James' services as caretaker to the other steeds in the stable, and by this sacrifice on the part of his owner J. J. was enabled to have his education at the trot continued.

Well, in due time Wickersham started east via Montana and Colorado points, taking with him Jinson James and his bay stud. As J. J. he acquired a record of 2:18¼ but met with no great amount of success as a race horse, and I notice that before he took his fastest record his name had been changed to J. T., probably for registration purposes. James sold him to some folks in Michigan, and I think it was after this sale that he took his record—anyway it was after he had gotten out of Wickersham's hands, for a man named Hall gave him his mark of 2:12¼ as J. T. at Terre Haute in the fall of 1900. The day is one that a good many folks remember well to the present time, as on the same day that the one-time pride of Jinson James' heart trotted in 2:12¼, The Abbott and Ed Geers set the world's trotting record at 2:03¼, and the California bred pacer Coney, driven by Ed Gaylord of Denver, set the amateur pacing record at 2:03¾.

For a season or so prior to this time (as well as for some years subsequent thereto) J. T. did stud duty in the neighborhoods of Vassar and Bay City, Michigan, and it was during the year preceding the one in which he took his record that John Rhyland sent to his court the bay mare Letitia 2:18¾, the result of this service being the great race trotter Lillian R. 2:04½, now the dam of Captain David Shaw's sensational stallion Peter Mac 2:03½, regarded by almost every horseman who knows him well as the most logical candidate for two-minute honors in training today—and in looking at the pictures of Peter Mac it seems to me that I have cheated old Pappy Time out of about a score of years and am again out at the old stables at Tacoma, gazing with admiration at the beautiful bay colt J. J., brought here by the poor boy Jinson James.

Many and many is the time I wonder what has become of Jinson James. He was a nice boy and a real horse lover, and it is through his love of a good horse and his excellent judgment of one that the horse world of today is singing the praises of Peter Mac. I hope he is alive and prosperous and able to enjoy reading of what his first horse produced by siring Lillian R., for the satisfaction of knowing that his judgment as a selector of a stallion was sound is, I think, about all that Jinson James ever got out of his ownership of a grand trotter and a beautiful horse.

C. A. HARRISON.

AN "IMPORTED" HORSE STORY.

One incident of many is worthy to relate. In the 2:15 pace at Salem in 1913 Yedno was in a race with Hal Gray, Red Rock, Hal Chief, J. C. B. and Uncle H., Mac N. and Lady Verton. Hay Gray, then owned in Calgary, won two heats in 2:09 and 2:10½, when his owner, Fred Johnston, who was passing through the paddock, noticed a few fellows drinking in Yedno's stall from a bottle. Strange as it may seem, after her owner, trainer, driver and friends took a drink, they immediately proceeded to pour the balance of the bottle into Yedno's throat, an operation she made no resistance against and in fact acted as if she liked it. The owner of Hal Gray then proceeded over to his own horse's stall and informed his trainer of the circumstances and warned that driver to be careful to keep away as far as possible from what he expected would be a drunken horse and driver. The next and concluding heat was called immediately afterwards and, hard to believe, Yedno finished second practically guideless, as she really got no assistance from her driver in his condition, and the final quarter of that mile she stepped in 29¾ seconds, and was only beaten a neck in 2:11:—Calgary Herald.

BIG PERCENTAGE OF NOMINATIONS KEPT GOOD IN KENTUCKY FUTURITY.

A total of 763 colts and fillies have been kept good in the Kentucky Futurity for foals of 1915. While not the highest figure yet attained in the futurity, this number represents the highest percentage of the original entry list ever recorded in any colt stake for trotters, as only 842 mares were nominated in April. Two hundred and sixty-four nominators are represented and 33 have named five or more each, or a total of 433. Walnut Hall Farm, Donerail, Ky., continues to hold first place with 71, sired by the farm's coterie of great stallions, Manrico, Walnut Hall, Moko and San Francisco. Patchen Wilkes Stock Farm, Lexington, Ky., is second with 41, the most of them by Peter Donna and the balance by Peter the Great and the farm's other stallions. J. R. Magowan of Mt. Sterling, Ky., is third with 23, all but two being sired by his popular young sire, J. Malcolm Forbes; Allen Farm, of Pittsfield, Mass., is fourth with 21, the majority of which are by Bingara. The following is a list of nominators with five or more entries:

Walnut Hall Farm, 71; Patchen Wilkes Farm, 41 J. R. Magowan, 23; Allen Farm, 21; Curles Neck Farm, 21; C. C. Watts, 16; J. E. Madden, 16; Hillanddale Farm, 15; D. M. Look, 14; John R. Thompson, 14; A. B. Coxe, 13; Empire City Farms, 12; H. J. Schlesinger, 12; L. E. Brown, 10; U. G. Saunders, 10; J. O. Winston, 10; W. F. McAllister, 9; Midway Stock Farm, 9; Dromore Farm, 9; Mike Bowerman, 9; Beau Ideal Farm, 8; Hudson River Stock Farm, 8; R. L. Nash, 8; John L. Snyder, 8; Paul C. Wilson, 6; C. B. Shaffer, 6; Charles E. Dean, 6; Forest Park Farm, 6; F. E. Masland, 5; Empire Farms, 5; Cruickston Farm, 5; H. N. Bain, 5, and Comsewogue Farm, 5.

One hundred and fifty-four stallions have sired the list of eligibles and 22 sires are represented by 10 or more weanlings, or 476 altogether. The list is again headed by Peter the Great, with 52. One of the features deserving of special mention is the remarkable showing by the young stallion, J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, half-brother of Peter the Great, and Manrico 2:07¼, which was one of the greatest three-year-old colt trotters that ever lived, which hold second and third positions, with 46 and 35 respectively. Peter Donna is fourth and he is followed by the two Walnut Hall stallions, San Francisco and Moko. Twelve of the select list have records of better than 2:10, sixteen better than 2:15, nineteen better than 2:20, and two are without records, namely Moko and Bingara; but this is not because they failed to possess speed. The following table is the select stallion list:

Peter the Great 2:07¼, 52; J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, 46; Manrico 2:07¼, 35; Peter Donna 2:08, 32; San Francisco 2:07¾, 31; Moko, 25; General Watts 2:06¾, 24; Axworthy 2:15½, 24; The Harvester 2:01, 22; Walnut Hall, 2:08¼, 21; Bingara, 21; Northern Man 2:06½, 17; Azoff 2:14¾, 17; Justice Brooke 2:09½, 15; Morgan Axworthy 2:17, 14; Siliko 2:11¼, 13; The Exponent 2:11¾, 13; Guy Axworthy 2:08¾, 12; Binjolla 2:17¾, 11; Dillon Axworthy 2:11¼, 11; Beirne Holt 2:11¼, 10, and Peter Wood 2:19½, 10.

It is always interesting to know where the entries come from—which sections continue to maintain their breeding interests. Thirty-three states and Canada have furnished the entries. Kentucky leads with 274, an increase of 50 over last year; New York is again second with 109; Ohio takes third place with 57, Illinois fourth with 54, and Massachusetts fifth with 45. In 1914, 698 weanlings were kept in the futurity as against 763 in the futurity just closed. These figures ought to be encouraging to trotting interests for they indicated marked confidence in the future among breeders. The following table gives the entries by states:

Kentucky, 274; New York, 109; Ohio, 57; Illinois, 54; Massachusetts, 45; Pennsylvania, 38; Indiana, 28; Michigan, 21; West Virginia, 18; Wisconsin, 18; Nebraska, 17; Virginia, 14; Tennessee, 11; California, 8; Canada, 7; Alabama, 6; Maryland, 4; Connecticut, 4; Iowa, 4; New Jersey, 4; Louisiana, 3; New Hampshire, 3; Missouri, 2; Georgia, 2; Minnesota, 2; Oklahoma, 2; Utah, 1; Rhode Island, 1; Florida, 1; District of Columbia, 1; Kansas, 1; South Carolina, 1, and Vermont, 1.

Prominent among the foals are those of Uhleen, Nervolo Belle, Harvest Girl, Notelet, dam of The Harvester, and Markala, dam of Walnut Tree. The stake book will be published following closing of entries to the futurity for foals of 1916, April 1.—Western Horseman.

My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ is maintaining her record as one of the most prolific young matrons in the land, having recently given birth to a bay colt by Carlokin 2:07½, hence a full brother to that good futurity trotter Esperanza (3) 2:09. Iran Belle (dam of Old Folks 2:11¾) by Iran Alto 2:12¼, dam the triple producer Anna Belle 2:27½ (dam of Robert I. 2:08¾, etc.) by Dawn 2:18¾ has also foaled a bay colt to the cover of Carlokin, while Reta H. 2:12½ (dam of Byron (3) 2:15½) by McKinney 2:11¼ and Subito (dam of White Sox 2:05¼, The Lark (4) 2:09½, etc.) by Steinway (3) 2:25¾ are both suckling new born foals by Copa de Oro 2:01, the former a bay filly and the latter a chestnut colt. Each of the four mares will be bred back to the sire of her present foal, and the indications are that both Carlokin and Copa de Oro will be kept busier this season than ever before.

NOTES and NEWS

Good-by to racing at Tia Juana for the present.

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The meeting deserved a better fate, as from all we can learn at this distance it was very well conducted.

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Have you ordered a season announcement for your stallion yet? The man who does the best stallion business will be found advertising both early and often.

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Send us a memorandum of the foals as they are born. Start them off in life with the benefit of a little publicity that costs you nothing and interests your friends.

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Directum I. 1:56¾ and Etawah 2:03, both of whom have in all probability raced their last competitive affair, will be prepared for exhibitions and possible new records this season.

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The stewards of the Great Western Circuit have been summoned to meet February 15 at the Auditorium Hotel in Chicago, Secretary Smollinger having issued the call.

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That "Clean and Slippery" axle grease manufactured by the Whittier-Coburn Company of this city will add life to the bearings of all kinds of vehicles and farming implements. Try it once and find out its good qualities for yourself.

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Zona B. 2:25½ by Zolock 2:05¼, dam the double producer Hytu by Happy Prince 10546, has been sent to Los Angeles from Globe, Arizona, by A. W. Sydnor and will be bred this season to W. G. Durfee's great sire of pacers, Copa de Oro 2:01.

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The Moko family annexed another nice record a few days ago when Dayspring won the 2:30 pace over the Mount Royal track at Montreal in 2:11, 2:10¾ and 2:13½, the three fastest heats ever witnessed on the frozen footing. His dirt track record is only 2:14¾.

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The Canadian Sportsman is the latest of our exchanges to print the picture of Vernon McKinney as the fastest horse that ever stood for service in the dominion, giving Winnipeg as the scene of his activities for the present season. Our advertising columns may enlighten them on the matter.

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The brood mares Yolanda 2:14¼ by McKinney 2:11¼ and Mary Gordon 2:09¾ (dam of Onward McGregor (3) 2:23¼) by Gordon, recently purchased from J. N. Colomb of this city by Bert Baker, the San Diego county horseman, are at Pleasanton and will probably be mated with The Anvil 2:02¾.

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The Fasig-Tipton company is complaining of a shortage of aged horses for the forthcoming mid-winter auction, though there is a fair supply of yearlings, mostly from Kentucky. It is not improbable, from present indications, that the event will be confined to two or three days instead of the customary four.

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The Sacramento folks have been indulging in a bit of bartering in trotters of late, S. H. Cowell securing fromJohnny Quinn the good gelding Albaloma 2:08¼, while the Silva stable has received an addition in the shape of the former Fresno trotter Con Brino 2:14½, who is reported as being one of the oily kind for the coming season.

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Tuesday, February fifteenth, will be a busy day in Chicago for the trotting horse fraternity, the day's events including the meeting of the stewards of the Great Western Circuit, the assembly of the representatives of state fairs and expositions, the biennial congress of the members of the American Trotting Association and, at night, the convention of the Turf Journals Association.

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The rains have deterred training operations all over the state, but California horses will be ready as usual when the bell taps. It looks like a big year for the stock grazers and the grain men who had their land seeded before the long wet spell set in. Consequently there will be that much more incentive to excellent and numerous exhibits of all kinds at the fairs this fall.

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Charley DeRyder was one of those "fleeting visitors" in our midst one day this week, having brought the ladies of the household to the city for the day, and dropped in at this office long enough to notify us that the bookings to The Anvil 2:02¾ began to loom up, and that he believed the great trotter would serve fifty or more mares this season, which will be a most excellent patronage in the light of existing conditions. If the MacKenzie youngster, Anvilite (2) 2:22¼, may be taken as a fair specimen of his get he is going to prove a wonderful sire of speed and individuality.

The twenty-seventh annual renewal of the Kentucky futurity is announced under the same conditions that governed number twenty-six of the same series and will close on April first, for mares bred in 1915 and due to foal this season. California breeders desiring to patronize the stake may obtain all particulars by addressing Secretary J. W. Williams of Lexington.

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Locust Jack 2:06½, now fifteen years of age, made a reappearance in harness in the final event of the ice meeting at Montreal a few days ago. The old gray hero won the first heat in 2:25½, the fastest time of the race, but gradually faded and was distanced in the fourth and final heat. He was one good trot horse eight or nine years ago and it is remarkable that he should be in shape to make even as good a showing as he did at this late date.

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At the recent meeting of the Kentucky Trotting Horse Breeders' Association the former officers were elected as follows: Ed A. Tipton president, R. C. Estill and J. R. Hagyard vice-presidents, J. W. Williams secretary, and Miss Gertrude Matlock assistant secretary, while the board of directors is composed of Ed A. Tipton, R. C. Estill, J. R. Hagyard, J. D. Grover, A. B. Coxe, R. C. Estill, J. R. Allen and David M. Look.

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The Review Racing Guide made port some days ago, considerably behind her customary schedule, but that other famous landgoing liner, the Year Book, has not yet been reported outside the heads and grave fears are entertained for her safety. However, there has been a strong play on her on the overdue boards at Lloyds' at the Marine Exchange so there must be some foundation for the belief that she will eventually cast anchor in Horselibrary Cove.

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F. B. Dupree of San Diego has sent the double-gaited mare Axnola to be bred to Carlokin 2:07½ and the cross is one that should be productive of speed to a gratifying extent. Axnola was bred by A. J. Molera of this city and is by Excel (a son of Axtell (3) 2:12 and Lady Simmons by Simmons) and out of Nola (dam of three) by Nutwood. She was raced originally as a pacer and took a mark of 2:15 at that way of going and was then shifted to the trot and won in 2:19¼ at Seattle in 1913.

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Five horses named Peter Pan, four of them wigglers, were racing in 1915. This makes things easy for the compilers of statistics, especially when the owner or trainer fails to give the sire when making entries or the clerk of the course leaves out this information in his hurry to wind up the afternoon's duties and make the run to the beer stand. A summer afternoon's thirst has caused more than one well bred horse to go into the books minus either sire or dam or both.

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Magnus Flaws, who in addition to being a first-class presiding judge, starter of runners, authoritative turf correspondent, teller of Scotch stories and christener of babes, is a horse salesman of considerable resource in season, has recently sold to President E. J. Curtin of the Great Western Circuit the diminutive pacer Major Ong 2:03½, raced for the last couple of seasons by Tommy Murphy. Mr. Curtin has his eye on those free-for-all paces on the two-lap tracks in the west and will have the little fellow pointed for them by Joe McLaughlin. They are liable to be hard to beat.

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Ed Best of Minneapolis, who purchased Madam Mac 2:07¼ from Charley DeRyder last season, declares her to be one of the best and most satisfactory pacers he has ever owned for use on the ice, free legged, good headed, nice to drive in every way and fast enough for any company he meets. Several days ago he staked his friend Bundy to the Madam while he himself piloted Kid Riley, and although the Kid proved the winner, with Jerry H. second, the former California mare won the fourth heat of the five in the fastest time of the event, one minute and four seconds.

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America's foremost patron of the trotting turf, C. K. G. Billings, accompanied by Mrs. Billings and a party of friends including Mr. and Mrs. Fred Stevenson and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Johnston, has been a guest at the St. Francis hotel in this city several days of late, the party arriving the latter part of last week. Mr. Stevenson, president of the United States Friel Trials Club, and Mr. Johnston, Mr. Billings' partner in his thoroughbred operations, have been the guests of local sportsmen at various little events during the week, but Mr. Billings himself has been confined to his apartments the greater portion of the time owing to the after effects of the injury he received some weeks ago when his saddle horse fell with him. The party proposed going south as soon as conditions were improved along the line of weather and transportation, and will probably again visit San Francisco before departing on their journey east. Mr. Billings is much pleased with the condition of affairs at Curls Neck Farm and is confident that the get of The Harvester will sell for higher prices every year for some seasons, as he can see nothing ahead but success for that family and also anticipates a strong upward trend in the general run of prices for well bred trotters that can go to the races and bring home their fair share of the purse and stake money.

The Buffalo County (Neb.) Agricultural Association held a meeting at Kearney, Neb., Jan. 10, at which time all the old directors and board of managers were re-elected, as follows: F. F. Roby, president; G. E. Haase, secretary; H. A. Webbert, treasurer; J. A. Boyd, general superintendent of agriculture, and E. D. Gould, superintendent of speed. The matter of a summer and fall meeting resulted in dates being announced for July 3-5 and Sept. 19-23. The speed program has not been agreed on in full yet, but it will be similar to or better than last year.—Western Horseman.

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L. L. Pope of Cleveland, who as manager of the Lawrence-Williams Company supervises the distribution of that sterling veterinary remedy, Gombault's Caustic Balsam, arrived in San Francisco Monday morning, some days behind his original schedule owing to the storms that have so thoroughly disrupted rail service on the coast since the first of the year. His car was derailed between this city and Los Angeles, without serious damage or injury to passengers, and it was with considerable relief that he arrived at the end of his land journey. Mr. Pope makes occasional trips of considerable duration on pleasure bent, and sailed from this port today, accompanied by Mrs. Pope and a niece, for Hawaii, Japan and other lands on the far side of the globe.

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William Sinnock of Santa Ana reports the death on January 27, from impaction of the bowels, of the black mare Santa 2:25½ by Ellerslie Wilkes 2:22½, dam the double producer Santa Marie Second by Hylas 831, the rugged old lady being twenty-seven years of age at the time and yet a splendid specimen of the standard bred mare. At the Santa Ana fair last season Mr. Sinnock exhibited her in two events, one for standard bred mares only and the other for mare and two of her produce, also standard, and in good company in both rings she was awarded first premium. The members of her family shown with her were her last foal, a mare called Athelo, and an older black gelding known as California Chief, the latter a green trotter of considerable capacity. On July fifth at the driving club matinee at his home town he was a winner over three pacers, trotting his best mile in 2:23¼, while the following week he worked the same track in 2:20¼, performances the more creditable owing to the fact that he had been about three weeks off the ranch at the time.

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Horsemen who race on the ever popular Michigan Short-Ship Circuit will have a longer season than ever before if the tentative plans adopted by the Stewards of the line in a recent meeting at Detroit are made permanent. The Ohio points formerly holding dates with the organization have been dropped from the schedule and South Bend, Indiana, has been added, the dates as at present arranged being as follows: Monroe, June 19-23; Port Huron, June 26-30; Saginaw, July 3-7; Bay City, July 10-14; Jackson, July 17-21; South Bend, Ind., July 24-28; Port Huron, July 31-Aug. 4; Monroe, Aug. 7-11; Mt. Clemens, Aug. 14-18; Owosso, Aug. 21-25; Ithaca (fair), Aug. 28-Sept. 1; Detroit (Michigan state fair), Sept. 4-8; Jackson county fair, Sept. 11-25; Charlotte fair, Sept. 18-22; Marshall fair, Sept. 25-29; Saginaw fair, Oct. 1-5; Detroit Driving Club, Oct. 8-12; Kalamazoo, Oct. 15-18; Monroe, Oct, 22-26. The executive committee composed of President H. C. Knill, Jr., of Port Huron, Vice-President Frank W. McQueeney of Detroit and Secretary Thomas F. Morris of Saginaw will meet shortly and arrange the dates permanently as well as make provision for the classes for the stakes and purses. Colt races will be a feature of every program.

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Great is the power of the beef and dairy cow in this broad land of ours! Twenty-odd years ago Palo Alto was the greatest speed nursery in the world, and now there is scarcely a vestige of its old glory remaining and a large acreage of the famous old place has been leased by a coterie of local capitalists and will be operated as a dairy farm. In the early nineties William O'B. Macdonough paid well over a hundred thousand dollars for the great thoroughbred stallion Ormonde and brought the son of Bend Or to San Mateo county and established near Redwood City the farm which was to become known around the world as Ormondale. Here were assembled many matrons of high degree, and their produce to the cover of Ormonde and his sons went forth and did battle right royally and successfully with the best the land had to offer. Came at last the death of the master, the falling of racing into the slough of disrepute, and year by year the number of horses at the one-time home of the "sire of the century" was reduced, until a few months ago the last of them went to find new homes on other western farms. Some weeks ago the Ormondale Company began stocking the place with the best of Shorthorn beef cattle obtainable in the west, and now in Ormonde's old stall in the stud barn there stands a sire of another type—the bull Golden Goods Junior, purchased at the stock show at Portland for the sum of twelve hundred dollars. In other stalls are found ten cows and calves of high degree from the herds of A. D. Dunn of Wapato, Washington, and a couple of prize winning calves purchased here in California at the auction of the holdings of the Gibson Estate Company, and from this nucleus it is the purpose of the present owners to establish the grandest herd of Shorthorns in the whole length and breadth of the Golden State. Thus passeth the old order.

Theodore Sterneman of Milwaukee, who raced Hal S. 2:04¾ for two seasons before selling him to Tommy Murphy without ever finishing behind the money, has repurchased the roan son of Hal Chaffin and will race him this season over the halfmile tracks. Unless Theodore has a key to this bird that he failed to include with the bill of sale to Murphy the writer does not envy him his job as pilot. From the way he raced for Murphy here last fall he should be a valuable acquisition for any man with land to clear, as he could pull stumps by the bit, without any assistance of a mechanical nature. Magnus Flaws engineered the deal.

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One of the most attractive stallion folders which we have seen in a long time has just come to hand from Cranwood Park Farm, Cleveland, of which Guy H. Heasley is manager. It is a beautifully printed, nicely illustrated little booklet of sixteen pages exclusive of cover and sets forth in a concise and convincing manner the excellent qualities of that good son of McKinney, Prince Ingomar 2:12¼, whose record was made in the third heat of a winning race over the two-lap course at Rockport. Were the Prince able to talk he would undoubtedly express considerable gratification over the course taken by his owners in putting him before the public, and their method is one that can be followed with profit by the owners of really good stallions wherever they be found.

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Charley DeRyder's crew of assistants are handling among others about a dozen mighty pleasing yearlings, belonging to various owners but mostly the property of R. J. MacKenzie. They are a fine husky lot, largely the get of Joe Patchen II. 2:03¼ and Vernon McKinney 2:01½, and in every case they are out of mares of very high quality. With one exception they are California bred, the odd one being the black fellow by The Northern Man, dam by General Forrest, brought from the Blue Grass by Mr. DeRyder when he shipped home after the meeting at Lexington last fall, and the Californians compare more than merely favorably with this son of Kentucky. One of the huskiest scamps of the bunch is the bay colt by Zomblack 2:10¼ out of Martha Spy, the dam of the good MacKenzie colt trotter Anvilite (2) 2:22¼.

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While the Arkansas legislature stepped on the pari-mutual bill and squashed it last winter, the residents of Hot Springs have not given up their efforts to bring back thoroughbred racing to their midst, and there is a strong probability that a meeting will be staged there for the thirty days beginning March 10, backed by the Business Men's League and conducted after the fashion prevalent and successful in New Orleans. Out of a total of nearly four hundred votes cast by members of the league on the proposition some days ago the sentiment was unexpectedly strong in favor of holding the meeting, only thirteen votes being recorded as opposed to the project. President Strauss of the league is the man actively behind the gun and arrangements have been made with Louis A. Cella for the use of Oaklawn track if plans for the event are perfected. The manner in which the racing at New Orleans is being conducted is doing much to rehabilitate the thoroughbred in public esteem.

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After the Lower California Jockey Club had overcome all sorts of obstacles in their efforts to establish thoroughbred racing at the town on the border near San Diego, Tia Juana, and had things running in tiptop shape and a meeting in progress which was steadily increasing in popularity and success, the weather man stepped in and called a halt in a manner totally unforeseen. The location of the plant was chosen on account of the prevalence of good racing weather and the absence of rains of any extent, and then comes a flood that washes away a portion of the track. With the damage done by the waters at the time of their first visitation practically completed, rail connections resumed and the meeting on the eve of being again put under way, a second flood more destructive than the first one manifests itself, with the result that the buildings on the flat, with the exception of the grand stand, and practically all of the course itself, were obliterated. Rail connections with the towns on the American side from which the plant drew its greatest patronage will in all probability not be in operation for a period of sixty days, while it will be even longer before the county roads will be repaired to the point where autos may travel them in safety. Thus cut off from the world, the discontinuance of the present meeting was inevitable, and no attempt will be made to resume operations within the time originally selected for the club's inaugural event. It is now planned to commence the rebuilding of the course and the necessary structures as soon as the flood waters recede and materials can be secured, and have everything in readiness for a midsummer meeting, to follow those of Denver and Reno, the regular winter session being scheduled to commence on Thanksgiving day. The stables, most fortunately, were erected on high land and were not reached by the water, so no damage was inflicted upon the horses in attendance. The patronage accorded the club during the few weeks of its active operations has convinced its members that they are on a paying proposition under normal conditions, and when their plant is reopened it will be more adequate and comfortable in every way than was the case when the first meeting was commenced.

DEATH CLAIMS NOTED HORSEMAN.

Herman B. Duryea, who won the Epsom Derby of 1914 in England with Durbar II., died on January 25 at Saranac Lake, N. Y. Mr. Duryea had a violent attack of grippe in London in the early autumn of 1914, which left him in a thoroughly weak and run-down condition and from which he never fully recovered. Mr. Duryea was a member of the Jockey Club and frequently acted as deputy steward for that organization. He was also a member of the Union Club, the Meadow Brook Club, the Turf and Field Club, the Brook, Racquet, Tennis and other clubs, and various racing asociations. He was one of the foremost all around sportsmen of America, his successes in yachting, shooting and other sports being pronounced.

Mr. Duryea became identified with the turf shortly before the death of the late William C. Whitney, when his first horses of reputation were Acefull, Whorler and Irish Lad. On the death of Mr. Whitney all his horses were leased to Mr. Duryea and raced in his name and colors during the year 1904 (Artful's Futurity year). After this Mr. Duryea raced his own horses on the American turf with marked success. He owned and raced such horses as Irish Lad, Ben Ban, McKittridge, Dreamer, Mediant and many others.

After the passage of legislation adverse to the interests of racing in America, Mr. Duryea shipped his stable to France and located a breeding and racing establishment there. He was one of the most successful American sportsmen who ever raced in foreign countries. He raced horses largely of his own breeding, including Sweeper II., winner of the Two Thousand Guineas and favorite for that year's Derby Later on he won the Derby of 1914 with Durbar II., another of his own breeding. Besides these the famous horses raced in England and France included Mediant, winner of the Stewards' Cup at Goodwood; Banshee, winner of the French Thousand Guineas; Blarney, Frizzle, Hickory, Boyne, Shannon and many others.

MISSOURI SADDLE HORSE BREEDERS MEET.

The Saddle Horse Breeders' Association met Wednesday afternoon of Farmers' Week at the Missouri College of Agriculture. A number of the speakers dwelt upon the judging problems of interest to exhibitors of light horses. E. E. Holman divided judges into three classes, (1) honest but incompetent, (2) competent men who undertake to distribute premiums on some basis other than superiority of horses, and (3) men who are both honest and thoroughly competent.

Porter Taylor, a prominent Missouri judge of light horses presented the judge's point of view by emphasizing the seriousness of the judge's work. There are few men, he believes, that do not appreciate the honor and responsibility of the task of judging live stock and the judge is entitled to the same courtesy and respect from the exhibitor which the exhibitor demands for himself, particularly in the matter of care in the comments made upon the work. The discussion of these two papers unquestionably brought an exchange of different points of view which will be very helpful in eliminating the unpleasant differences of opinion that sometimes arise at horse shows. The Saddle Horse Breeders' Association should actively promote the riding of horses in both city and country, in the opinion of Rufus Jackson, who calls attention to the men who want riding horses for business or pleasure, and the office man who must have some such exercise as riding affords in order to retain his health.

The old officers were re-elected as follows: James Houchin, Jefferson City, president; E. A. Trowbridge, Columbia, vice-president, and Curtis P. Cauthorne, Mexico, secretary.

YEARLINGS PLENTIFUL AT LEXINGTON.

Visitors to Kentucky can see at this time more than one coming prospective stake winner among the yearlings being prepared for the sales to be held next month. The colts and fillies at the track, by J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, General Watts 2:06¾, Morgan Axworthy 2:17, Peter the Great 2:07¼, and Axworthy 2:15½, furnish a degree of excellence rarely seen in trotters of this age, while at Walnut Hall Farm the most remarkable collection of young speed marvels ever produced at that nursery for futurity winners is on exhibition. A shrewd observer, capable of selecting the best, would reap a rich harvest by purchasing a few from among the many really high-class yearlings now taking their daily lessons over the roads at the Lexington track and in the long stable at Walnut Hall Farm, and by giving the youngsters a chance to develop before asking of them the supreme effort. These yearlings have received no injury from their schooling and are invariably sound, well made and full of quality. Among the one hundred or so yearlings are several capable of speeding a 2:30 shot, while at least a dozen can brush considerably faster. A great opportunity, truly, for a discriminating buyer to select racing material, colt trotters with extreme speed and perfect manners. When the practice of forcing yearlings to supreme effort has been abandoned, just such colts and fillies as can now be seen in Kentucky will furnish the winners of a majority of the futurities and purses offered during a season's campaign.—American Horse Breeder.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

STATE GAME FARM TO BE DISCONTINUED.

Sacramento, February 1.—The State Board of Control announced today that it would discontinue immediately the wild game farm established over two seasons ago at Hayward, Alameda county, where a large tract of land was leased to be used exclusively in the further development of the game resources of the State.

It is announced that the expense is too great. The farm has devoted much of its time to the study and care of the mountain valley quail. It was sought to instruct people how pheasants and all game birds could be raised artificially.

The Fish and Game Commission outlined the work done last season and was looking forward to success in liberating game this coming season.

Although no attempt was made to rear large numbers of pheasants at the State Game Farm in 1915, yet a number of birds have been planted in different parts of the State. Over one hundred ring-necked pheasants were liberated near Sacramento and a like number in the river bottoms near Edgewood, Siskiyou county. Very favorable conditions exist in the latter locality and ranchers of the vicinity have promised to give the birds careful protection. Especially good results are therefore expected from this plant. The Santa Clara Valley was restocked in several places and seventy-five birds were sent to Calistoga, Napa county. Fifty pheasants were planted near Lake Chabot. In all 581 ring-necked pheasants were liberated.

As an experiment twelve golden pheasants, ten silver pheasants and forty-four valley quail were liberated on Goat Island, in San Francisco Bay. The pheasants placed on the island several years ago have increased and there is every reason to believe that these new birds also will thrive. The very best protection is afforded them on the island and at seasons when food and water are scarce, these are supplied. About three hundred valley quail reared at the State Game Farm were liberated near the farm in Hayward.

THE DUPONT TRAPSHOOTING SCHOOL.

The mere mention of a trapshooting school will cause sportsmen to sit up and take notice, as the saying goes, for while there have been and still are places where tennis, golf, and other sports are taught novices, this country has never boasted anything in the form of a shooting school. Anticipating the many queries which will follow the announcement of the starting of the trapshooting school, E. I. duPont de Nemours &Company send out the following information concerning same:

The school will be operated at Atlantic City, N. J.—the greatest year round pleasure resort in the world—and a place annually visted by more sportsmen than any other city. The convenience of the sportsmen has been considered in determining the location of the school, which will be right in the center of activities, on Young's Million Dollar Pier, at the end.

The purpose of this new shooting school is threefold, viz.: to teach the proper care and use of firearms, to instruct men and women in the art of trapshooting, and to provide a place where the thousands and thousands of "gun bugs" who yearly visit Atlantic City may enjoy their favorite sport, engage in trophy contests, team races, etc., in a place easily accessible and at a moderate cost.

The school will be in operation about March 15th, or by April 1st at the outside. The equipment will consist of one Ideal Leggett, and one Western McCrea, automatic trap, standard targets being used, twenty gauge guns of practically every make, and competent men in charge. The targets will be thrown against a background of water, targets and shot falling into the Atlantic ocean. Standard trap loads will be on sale, but only twenty gauges may be used. The targets will be thrown about 40 yards. A person desiring to use his own gun may do so, but only factory loaded ammunition can be shot on the range.

The services of Henry Hewgill Stevens, famous professional and known to every one in the trapshooting game as "Hank," have been secured and he will be in charge of the school as manager, and will act as personal instructor at no cost whatever to any one desiring his services. Mr. Stevens has been shooting since 1888, and nearly 30 years ago competed on the trapshooting team of Rutgers College, of which he is a graduate, against the Princeton, Yale, and other college teams. In the year 1903 Mr. Stevens turned professional, going first with the DuPont Powder Co. and later representing one of the leading Eastern gun and ammunition manufacturers, traveling for them in practically every section of the country. He is now back with his first employers.

In inaugurating this new school, the DuPont Company believes that it will prove a boon to every sportsman who visits Atlantic City, and will also fill a long-felt want on the part of those who have desired to learn to shoot under the tutelage of a competent instructor, such as Mr. Stevens. From time to time events will be arranged for groups of shooters who may be at the seaside resort, and team races and trophy events staged. Local shooters will also have events arranged for them, or may arrange their own events, and shoot them over the school traps. In fact Mr. Stevens will see to it personally that everything possible is done to make the visit of sportsmen to Atlantic City as pleasant as possible, and sportsmen and sportswomen everywhere are extended a cordial invitation to call and see him at Young's Million Dollar Pier after March 15th.

COAST FIELD TRIAL EXPERTS EXPECT BIG THINGS OF KENWOOD SAM IN THE EAST.

On our cover page this week we take pleasure in presenting the likeness of the California setter Kenwood sam that will shortly be sent to C. H. Babcock, the well-known handler, to be entered in practically all of the elite Eastern trials next season. Kenwood Sam is a small white, black and tan setter that has performed in very promising style in limited competition.

Experts who witnessed his impressive victory in the derby stakes of the Pacific Coast Club's trials at Bakersfield last December are enthusiastic over the prospects of Kenwood Sam making a name for himself on the big circuit. He is only a twenty-months old puppy by Old Forester out of Caesar Keepsake, and his sterling performance in the Derby was his his first and only field trial competition.

Kenwood Sam is owned by Mrs. A. G. Wilkes, of San Francisco, who is an ardent devotee of outdoor sports. Besides knowing the qualities and fine points of dogs, Mrs. Wilkes has earned a reputation as a crack shot. During the past open season she frequently accompanied her popular husband, A. G. Wilkes, who is president of the Pacific Coast Field Trials Club, on hunting trips and has many limit bags to her credit. Mrs. Wilkes also makes a beautiful figure before the traps and finished up 1915 with a creditable record of 86 per cent.

Followers of Pacific Coast field trials will watch the performances of Kenwood Sam in the East with a deal of interest. Mrs. Wilkes also intends to send another of her crack dogs, Melrose Rod, to Mr. Babcock. It is the first time in recent years that California will be represented on the big circuit.

SCHUETZEN CLUB AWARDS PRIZES.

The Germania Schuetzen Club, at its annual meeting, awarded medals and prizes won during 1915. Following are the winners in the most important contests: Five best centers during the year, first prize, George A. Pattberg, Huber diamond medal, 801 points; Ben J. Jonas 1188, William F. Blasse 1564, Otto A. Bremer 1679, Martin Blasse 2015, G. C. Gunther 3916, George C. Post 4218, C. M. Henderson 4709, John de Wit 4807, Eugene Hoffman 5509, Captain John E. Klein 6847.

Medal winners—First expert class, William F. Blasse, 2306 rings; second expert class, George A. Pattberg, 2294; first champion class, G. C. Gunther, 2042; second champion class, John de Wit, 2004; first class, George C. Post, 1859; second class, Saul Heino, 1856.

The following officers were elected for the current year: President, Herman Huber; vice-president, J. William Goetze; secretary, G. C. Gunther; treasurer, T. P. Shuster; trustees, Captain Ludwig Siebe, Captain J. D. Heise and E. H. Goetze; shooting masters, Ben J. Jonas and Martin F. Blasse.

MOUNTAIN LION KILLED NEAR MANZANITA.

The first mountain lion in years was seen and killed in Marin county last week, according to Deputy D. H. Hoen. It was a small one, measuring only five feet four inches, and was brought down near Manzanita.

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H. L. Priscott, a game deputy, made an extended trip to Del Norte and found a herd of elk estimated all the way from 45 to 90 head, on a narrow strip of the Coast country. He reports that the elk are prospering.

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Deputy Oyer of Pacific Grove makes a unique report. He says that on December 28th near Jack's Ranch he saw a doe with two spotted fawns, apparently two weeks old. This is causing the game experts to wonder how the doe caught out of season.

FISH AND GAME IN NATIONAL FORESTS.

Rangers are submitting their reports of fish and game in the National Forests in California with their customary thoroughness. Statistics on the past hunting season and suggestions for remedying some present conditions are set forth to the Fish and Game Commission. On the whole, fewer deer were killed in 1915 than in previous years but the prospects are considered bright for a banner trout fishing season.

In the Sierra forests beavers were seen in a deep canyon in Mariposa county in September. Grouse and sage hens were also in evidence. Observations of the spawning of trout in Chiquito creek, elevation 4,000 feet, is that they spawn in the small creeks in May, June and July. At Whiskey Creek, 5,500 elevation, the spawning period is in July and extends into August.

Not many fish were lost by receding water or washouts of beds. The fish were hindered, however, by natural obstructions, from reaching the headwaters. Leeches in the gills of fish has been a complaint in the San Joaquin river. They killed off fish by the hundreds, continues the report. About the falls at the junction of Fish Creek and the main river the stream is alive with trout for four miles.

In the Santa Barbara forest 404 deer were killed, which is smaller by 32 than in 1914 and 21 less than in 1913. The reason advanced for this is that there was less camping, due to the people taking in the expositions. The law prohibiting the killing of spiked deer also held down the record. Mountain lions are numerous and destructive to deer. Eagles are also plentiful and play havoc with wild birds. Fish are reported plentiful in the streams. The limit and the season are considered about right by the forest authorities of this district, as they set forth that April 1st was a bit too early and May 1s will fit in nicely for the opening of trout activities.

In the Stanislaus forest, 191 deer were killed as against 247 in 1914. Quail, doves, wild pigeons and cottontail rabbits are reported as scarce. Many mountain lions were killed last season. No beavers and only a small number of grouse are in this district. A recommendation is made that many of the streams be restocked with fish. No fish are said to be in Emigrant Lake, which was once a favorite angling spot.

Plumas forest officials state that no beavers, sage hens, pheasants or wild turkeys are in evidence. Grouse are plentiful but are prevented from increasing more rapidly by the work of hawks and varmints. Deer are almost extinct. They complain that at Balsam Valley country 75 were killed in their winter refuge.

Rainbow trout in the west branch of the Feather River spawn in June, July and August in the streams and from Februarly to April in the lakes. Obstructions are hindering the fish in some sections.

TWO THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED AND THIRTY-TWO RABBITS KILLED IN HUNT.

In the annual rabbit hunt at Corder, Mo., which was participated in by more than 186 hunters, and which began on Christmas Day and lasted until the evening of January 6, the men being divided into two teams, one captained by John Smith and the other by A. F. Noltensmeyer, 2,432 rabbits were killed, one jackrabbit being among the number, and yet it is said that rabbits are not as plentiful in Lafayette county this year as they were a year ago, when only 1,640 were killed. The team scoring the greater number was given an oyster supper and rabbit fry by the losing team.

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At a recent hearing conducted by A. S. Houghton, secretary of the New York forest, fish and game commission, in the city hall at Saratoga, it was decided to ban night fishing in Saratoga Lake for pike. The number of lines allowed will be limited in an effort to stop the slaughtering of pike by "game hogs." The hearing followed the request of the Saratoga Lake Association asking protection for pike and other fish. The commission will take the matter up at once and upon favorable action the new ruling will go into effect after thirty days.

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At the present time, according to Deputy Game Warden P. W. Nelson of Livingston, Mont., who recently returned from Gardiner, there are thousands of elk, deer, antelope and mountain sheep in the immediate vicinity of that town. He estimates that there are 1,000 elk, an equal number of deer, 100 head of mountain sheep and 200 head of antelope being fed by government scouts just opposite the town of Gardiner and on the road from that town to Fort Yellowstone in the national park. All this game, which is in the finest shape, has been driven down from the high points in the park due to the deep snow. The animals are unusually docile, even not resenting the intrusion of automobiles. Speaking of the immense herd congregated in that section, Mr. Nelson said: "A prettier sight man never beheld. To anyone who has not had the pleasure of seeing such vast quanaities of game, it is a real treat and well worth traveling miles to see. The animals are unusually tame and elegant pictures can easily be secured." At the present time, it is said, there are several parties there capturing elk for shipment to eastern and southern states.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

NEWS OF KENNEL DOINGS.

When the Westminster Kennel Club show opens in New York on Washington's birthday, over three thousand dogs of every known breed will be on exhibition. Over twenty judges will officiate. The following are the names of the local fanciers who intend to leave here to attend the show: John M. Williams, Walter W. Stetteheimer and O. F. Vedder.

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Candover Lady, a bull bitch recently imported by Mrs. Anita M. Baldwin of Santa Anita, California, had a litter of seven puppies by the famous English winner, Irish Peace Maker. Three of the puppies died at birth. Mrs. Baldwin has named the four living ones as follows: Candover Irish of Anoakia, Lady Peacemaker of Anoakia, Candover Lass of Anoakia and Irish Peacemaker of Anoakia.

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Two of the four Airedale terriers that were purchased in England by Mrs. Baldwin several weeks ago arrived at the kennel last week. They are ch. Stockfield Nina and Ebbo Princess. The former has a large number of wins to her credit.

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An important bit of news which has happened in the dog game hereabouts, is that Jack Bradshaw—one of the best known dog men in the business—whose kennels in San Francisco have been an objective point for fanciers, is moving to San Mateo, to reside permanently. Mr. Bradshaw has a tract of about five acres, and has constructed kennels, and otherwise fitted the place as an ideal spot for his famous dogs. Mr. Bradshaw has left for the east to remain away several months, and, while gone, expects to buy about thirty of the best dogs the east has to offer.

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Mrs. M. Colverd, of San Francisco, is feeling mighty fine these days, for her lovely Skepton Lassie, an old English sheep dog, has whelped seven big husky babies to her English sheep dog, Rags. Skepton Lassie was best, opp. sex, in the exposition show. Five of the children are males, two, females. Mrs. Colverd states that this litter is the first to be born on the Pacific Coast.

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Two thousand seven hundred dogs have just been shipped by train from Paris to various parts of the front, says the London Chronicle, for the purpose of combatting the plague of rats that has recently troubled the French trenches. Soldiers have been noticed about with useful-looking terriers—small Welsh ones, chiefly—and these were supposed to be mascots. The mystery is now explained. We hear that numbers of ferrets are also being sent to the trenches.

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Anoakia Kennels has the following matings to its credit: J. W. Castanien's Airedale bitch to King Oorang; H. C. Redwell of Whittier sent his bitch Letty Heart, also, and Bilmer Sunbeam, owned by Ray Taylor of San Francisco, Crewe Bonheur, owned by Chas. Heerman of Stockton, have all been bred to Cypress Cadet.

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Mr. Albright is on his way to the sunny clime of California, so it is quite likely that he will accept one of the big offers made for Wycollar Boy, that arrived safely at his kennels the other day and with whom the Baughfell owner is very much impressed, considering him the best fox terrier he ever saw, and probably the best terrier he ever laid eyes on, so that it is a pleasure to have him around. He will be, of course, shown at New York, but Mr. Albright will not attend the big show. He also hints that the greatest Airedale pup of the year, Polam Maxim, may shortly find a new home on this side, and several good judges have sent word he is a hummer. Well!

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Since the first of the year all English dogs must be licensed or rather every person who keeps a dog must be licensed as many times as he or she has a dog. The license there is personal and not on the dog, nor is there any "lumping" it, each individual dog being taxed $1.85—no kennel license or breeder's license as with us, allowing any number of dogs to be kept. Furthermore if one keeps a dog for a friend who has already licensed the dog, one must take out a license to keep that dog. Hounds unentered (under 18 months old), sheep and cattle dogs, and blind men's dogs, are exempt. The Inland Revenue office has no compunctions over making the most of the national love of sport and dogs and even the man who is doing his bit in the trenches must pay for the dog he left behind him, which is a bit tough and the fund "Our Dogs" is getting up to pay these very hard cases, now amounts to over $200.

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Salt Lake's first dog show in seven years will be held March 2, 3 and 4 at 17 East First South street. The show is being promoted by the Utah State Kennel Club, recently organized with W. Mont Ferry as president. George A. Cranfield, a bench show judge, will handle the details of the show. Cranfield states that the proceeds will be devoted to some charity, such as the Red Cross society or a similar organization.

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Mrs. Kitty Carlin of London, who arrived in this country recently, bringing a number of high class dogs, states that owing to the war, which has caused a falling off of shows in London, breeding is not being carried on extensively on the other side, and that the dog game in general has been very much curtailed.

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Mrs. Noble Lovering of Watsonville, has lost by death her English setter, Noble Jack. The dog, which was a blue-ribbon winner at the Panama-Pacific exposition, developed distemper, which ultimately caused its death. Troubles for Mrs. Lovering are coming in bunches. Not only did she lose Noble Jack, but a litter of ten puppies, sired by him, all died but one—victim of distemper.

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Among passengers on the White Star liner which arrived at New York last week were Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Benjamin and Miss Benjamin. Mr. Benjamin is the president of the Bulldog Club of England, the oldest organization in the dog world. In the early eighties his kennel, at the head of which were the famous champions, Smasher and Britomartis, held an unbeaten record, Britomartis eventually finding her way to America, where she was shown by Colonel Thayer of Boston.

REPORTS OF NORTHERN COUNTIES.

H. D. Stout, Oregon deputy located at Klamath Falls, reported to Deputy Courtright that six or seven years ago he saw seven white-tailed deer in the Warner mountains near the Oregon line. These have not been heard of since. There are a few mule deer in that section.

Most of the Indians in Modoc county are in the southwest quarter. So far as the game laws are concerned, they are very good. Courtright had a little difficulty with them in the early part of his appointment, but since then has had very little difficulty.

Sage hens are very numerous in the vicinity of Straw and to the north of Straw between Clear Lake and Tule Lake. They were particularly abundant in the fall of 1915.

Clear Lake is now so high that there are no tules, the water being backed up into the sage brush country. As a result there is very little satisfactory breeding ground for ducks and geese and breeding birds are scarce. More waterfowl are breeding on Goose Lake than any other of the lakes of Modoc county. Cinnamon teal, green-winged teal, mallards and a few spoonbills are the common varieties nesting.

Black bear have been reported fairly abundant in the western part of the country and there have been 10 or 12 killed, one near Spaulding's Ranch south of Straw. In ordinary years bear make their migration to the Pitt river slopes where acorns can be found.

September 28, 1910, Courtright killed a mule deer, which dressed 332 pounds. It was particularly fat but did not have very large horns, four points on each side.

There are a number of beaver in Williams Creek, emptying into Clear Lake, on the east side; another colony in Bottle Creek and in the streams between Goose Lake and Clear Lake on the north side of the county.

Klamath Falls hunters have not been to the lava beds to the east of Tule Lake for several years.

There are two species of rabbits common in Modoc county, one a large rabbit found out in the open, which turns white during winter months when snow is on the ground. These are particularly abundant in the region between Clear Lake and Tule Lake. There is a smaller rabbit commonly found in the timber, which also turns white during the winter months. It is slightly larger than the cottontail.

NEW GAME LAWS FOR WASHINGTON.

All the county game commissioners and county game wardens of Washington will meet in Spokane February 9 and 10 to organize the Association of County Game Commissioners and Wardens of Washington. The organization will be an amalgamation of the present associations of eastern and western Washington, following the suggestion of the western Washington association which met recently in Seattle.

The west siders decided that more and better results could be obtained with the two sections of the state working in unison on all issues than by the separate association and suggested the matter to A. G. Gray, president of the eastern Washington association. Mr. Gray immediately took the matter up with Secretary Al J. Buzard and he in turn notified members of the east side association.

"One of the matters that will be taken up by the association will be to secure support for the bill that will be introduced in the national house of representatives to set aside forest reserves throughout the country as game preserves," said Mr. Gray. "The plan was first suggested by W. T. Hornaday of the American Game Protective Association. It is a worthy plan and will mean much toward the propogation of game.

"New game laws and amendments to the existing code will be proposed and voted upon so that when bills are presented at the next session of the State Legislature they will have a much better chance to being passed. We aim to keep the visitors entertained every minute of the time they are in Spokane and will be glad to get suggestions from local sportsmen."

State Fish Commissioner L. H. Darwin and State Game Warden R. B. Wales will be present and an invitation has been extended to Governor Lister.

THEY'RE AFTER MR. POSSUM.

When a former resident of the old South several years ago had shipped to him at San Jose seven of the best specimens of the Southern possum he little realized that he was laying the foundation of one of California's most prolific crops.

But this is what happened, according to Ernest Schaeffle of the Fish and Game Commission, for five of the seven possums escaped and have thrived wonderfully in this new possum Eden. Numerous traces of the possum have been found in the vicinity of Alvarado, San Jose, Milpitas and up the peninsula from San Jose as far as San Mateo.

The marvelous crops of possums which California has developed are believed to be partly due to climatic advantages and to the lack of popularity of a possum appetite. The Fish and Game Commission, however, expects to correct this. It hopes to promote the popularity of hunts and revive the fashion of possum dinners among Southerners at their clubs here.

The possum is considered a real menace to the wild animal life of the State, especially to birds. Professor H. C. Bryant of the University of California has been in consultation with the Commission on the best method of extermination to pursue.

'Tis said that society folks down on the peninsular are going to organize hunting parties to get right in the fun. This would naturally help, but the proper way to go about the work would be to interest some of the colored population over in West Oakland. Donate a few sweet potatoes and Mr. Possum would have to look to his laurels to remain in the free and open ways.

HERE ARE THE ALL-STAR TEAMS FOR WEST vs. EAST TRAP SHOOT.

The mythical all-star trap shooting teams, representing the East vs. the West, as carried by the daily newspapers, has aroused a deal of interest and may possibly lead to a match at the Grand American Handicap in St. Louis. In years gone by, experts in the various lines of sporting competitions have dealt at length with all-star combinations. In baseball and football, it has been difficult for the critics to decide on the same players. The same holds good in trap shooting. Fairly representative teams could be selected, however, by taking the Interstate Association averages as a basis of selecting the shooters.

On the high average basis, the papers have not selected the shots standing the highest and it might be of interest for the Breeder and Sportsman to present two teams. The West is represented by the high guns west of the Mississippi and the East all on the other side. If the two following teams could be gathered for a 1000-bird team match, each shooter to take a 100, it would likely result in some lively competition:

EAST			WEST	
Shooter	State	No.	Shooter	State
W. Henderson, Ky.		1	S. A. Huntley,	Nebraska
F. S. Wright, N. Y.		2	F. M. Troeh,	Wash.
A. B. Richardson, Del.		3	Wm. Ridley,	Iowa
W. S. Behm, Penn.		4	D. J. Holland,	Missouri
F. A. Graper, Ills.		5	J. R. Jahn,	Iowa
W. M. Foord, Del.		6	O. N. Ford,	California
C. H. Newcomb, Penn.		7	J. P. White,	So. Dak.
A. Heil, Penn.		8	C. Hummel,	Iowa
G. E. Painter, Penn.		9	W. H. Tolen,	Iowa
J. H. Noel, Tenn.		10	J. W. Bell,	Missouri

FAMOUS FIELD TRIALS EXPERT A VISITOR.

On Monday President A. G. Wilkes, secretary-treasurer S. Christenson, Phil Wand, John W. Considine, J. Walter Scott, Joel S. French, and other members of the Pacific Coast Field Trials' Club had the pleasure of entertaining Fred N. Stephenson of Chicago, President of the United States Field Trials' Club, and his friend, Frederick Johnson, at luncheon. Mr. Stephenson expressed himself as pleased to find so much interest and enthusiasm over bird dogs out here on the Coast and thoroughly enjoyed the field trials gathering.

The California enthusiasts were just as pleased to have so famous a field trials expert in their midst. "I consider Mr. Stephenson one of the greatest field trials men in the country," said Mr. Wilkes. "He has done much to further the best interests of the sport. For years he has been interesting himself in field trials and has a fund of knowledge on the sport."

During the course of the luncheon an invitation was extended to Mr. Stephenson to be honorary judge at the occasion of the next Pacific Coast Field Trials at Bakersfield. The distinguished visitor replied that nothing would please him more than to take in the event in California but he could not give a definite promise because he could not tell at this time if he could leave his business in Chicago along next December when it is planned to hold the trials.

Mr. Stephenson had the high honor of winning the National Championship in 1915 with La Besita. He was disappointed in not being able to start his great Llewellin setter bitch in the National Championship and Free-For-All Championship stakes this season but stated that she is heavy in whelp. La Besita had been going great guns and prospects were bright for duplicating the great record of that other famous Llewellin bitch, Champion Sioux, in annexing the National Championship the second time.

Sportsmen's Row

The members of the San Jose Blue Rock Club are bemoaning the fact that on February 2nd, Mrs. Ada Schilling, the world's amateur lady trap shooter, moved to Portland, Ore., to make her permanent home. Mrs. Schilling has made many friends while a member of the San Jose organization who regret seeing her leave their midst. Last year Mrs. Schilling broke 8707 rocks out of 2430 shots, the highest score ever made any place in the world by a lady expert.

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Dr. A. M. Barker and George Anderson both have their second sight and expect to make the biggest average in 1916. Both are veterans at the traps with thirty years experience at their backs and they are still able to hold their own with the youngsters.

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The Breeder and Sportsman invites subscribers and their friends to send in items that might be of interest to the rod, gun and kennel fraternity.

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Wonder if Harry Ogilvie's buying a Dodge car has anything to do with the fact that blue rocks do not dodge him nowadays?

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Judging from the number of ducks that Charles Huber sent from Newman to his friends in San Francisco this season he will need little practice for the rocks.

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Messrs. Baumgartner, Arques and Mackagneu, the new shooters who have joined the San Jose Blue Rock Club, will bear watching. They have been making the smoke fly for fair.

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Don't overlook C. H. Nash this season. He don't weigh much but predictions are made that very few goose eggs will be seen in his string in 1916.

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D. B. McDonald had some good sport at Alameda on the north end of the bay early in the season. He shot seven limits in nine shoots, which argues well for marksmanship as well as plenty of birds. After the storm came, however, Mr. McDonald did not enjoy such good sport.

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The Raisin City Gun Club in the San Joaquin finished the season with much pleasure to the members. The club shot every Wednesday and Sunday during the season and the limits of ducks bagged made up a long list.

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A. W. Bruner has announced that Frank Gotch, retired heavyweight wrestling title holder of the world, who is visiting Los Angeles, will do a little shooting at the Vernon Gun Club.

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Heine Pfirmann, Jr., the Pacific Coast champion trap shooter, reports that Jim Clark, last year's winner in the Grand American Handicap trapshooting tournament, is visiting Los Angeles. He also promises to be on hand for the shooting at the Vernon Gun Club.

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Southern California trout fishermen have had a scare through the heavy rains of the last two weeks, as the storms will play havoc with the young fish in most of the streams and ruin some of the trout planting.

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Sportsmen of Folsom and persons connected with the Natomas enterprises in that county have incorporated a club to be known as the Folsom-Natomas Rod and Gun Club, with a principal place of business in Folsom. The directors are John Curle, Frank Gomes, Pulius Jacobs, William McKean and Frank Fritz all of Folsom, and Daniel McHugh and James Phelan of Natomas. Fishing and hunting for sport in the waters of the state are the only purposes of the club, which is a non-profit institution.

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Plans have been completed by the State Fish and Game Commission for a new hatchery on Fort Seward Creek, about four miles south of Fort Seward, in Humboldt county. The new hatchery will replace the one now in operation on Price Creek, near Fortuna. The Commission has purchased outright forty acres for the hatchery, and will devote it entirely to steelhead trout and salmon.

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Allan T. Baum, president of the Pacific Coast Baseball League, is proudly showing a 410 gauge shotgun, a present from Phil Beckeart. The gun is certainly a beauty and Prexy Baum is anxiously awaiting the opportunity to put it to use.

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Harry B. Smith, sporting editor of the San Francisco Chronicle, is riding around town in a new Buick roadster. Harry is going to make use of the machine in the fall to carry him to Tehama county, where he owns a hunting camp along with a number of friends.

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Jack Fanning, remembered by the old guard as a member of the Olympic Club trapshooting squad back in the nineties, is doing nicely in the East. He is located at New Jersey and officiates as a coach. He recently assisted the professional baseball team in its tour.

Charlie Shaw, an old-time marksman, dropped in for a visit with the shooters and greeted old acquaintances at the Copper Kettle Club. Charlie is at Newark and had a number of his friends down this season for some good duck shooting.

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Louis Gotthelf got a couple of big striped bass on Sunday. One weighed 18 pounds and another fifteen. There were several other big catches on the San Antonio. Looks like the striped bass brigade will get in some sport now that the weather has cleared.

NEW BLUE ROCK SHOOTING CLUBS.

A couple of new blue rock clubs have appeared on the horizon to get in the sport when the trapshooting season opens this month. The members of the Alameda Lodge of Elks have taken a fancy to the "Sport Alluring" and have taken the first steps to put a club in the field. Among the organizers are Harold Durney, Henry Meinecke, R. B. Valleau, Henry Martine and F. J. Croll. All of them are experienced hunters and they have heard so much about the recreation and sport secured in busting blue rocks that they anticipate a deal of pleasure. It is planned to secure a grounds in Alameda and hold monthly tournaments.

The Biggs Blue Rock Club of Biggs, California, has been organized with L. W. Doty president, Leon Brink vice-president, Alvin Harry secretary, and J. Hanlon treasurer. Enthusiasm has been aroused and the organization expects to boast of a big membership.

The Golden Gate Club, which has been prospering on a favorable location in West Alameda for the past couple of years, will have to look for a new site. President Bill Price and Pete Ashcroft visited the grounds on Tuesday and found that a dredger is at work to cut a canal right through the club's grounds. It means finding a new grounds but it is thought that a location can be secured right across the railroad tracks. A meeting of the members has been called for the coming week and ways and means will be discussed to get everything in shape to start the season at an early date. It was hoped that the big opening event could be pulled off on Washington's Birthday.

The Bay View Club in East Alameda is polishing up to get busy soon. The members are anxious to get to the traps once more and the club is looking for a banner season.

Applications for the Nevada-California Association shoot continue to reach secretary-treasurer Clarence A. Haight. So far the San Jose Blue Rock Club and the Vernon Gun Club have filed applications to hold the shooting classic. It is understood that Fresno Club is also considering bidding for the tourney. Clubs contemplating holding this big event should file their applications not later than February 25 for the association intends to make the award on March 5th. The clubs belonging to the association are sending in their dues and prospects are that the Nevada-California body will continue as a class A trapshooting organization.

Nothing new has been learned on the Pacific Coast Handicap, which is one of the five subsidiary shoots of the Interstate Association. Announcement has been made that the event will be held probably in August but no award will be made until all the clubs have had a chance of filing their applications. The Portland Club has been reported as in the field to secure the Pacific Coast Handicap.

With the duck season a thing of the past the boys are polishing up their shooting irons in anticipation of the opening of the trap season. The gunsmiths are doing a big business in getting the trusty irons in shape for some sharp shooting.

WAR ON AGAINST CARP.

Carp may be all right in their place, but general sporting opinion is growing that the war zone is that place, states the Los Angeles Times.

Among recent contributors to the literature of "Carp in California" is the popular and enthusiastic Santa Barbara sportsman, Reginald G. Fernald, who, in explaining the reasons for asking permission of Fish and Game Commissioner Connell to liberate six seals in Guadelupe Lake, south of Santa Maria, on the Coast Line, goes pretty fully into the case of People of the State of California vs. Carp.

Mr. Feranld appears for the plaintiffs and complains as follows:

"Years ago Guadelupe Lake was covered with duck-weed. It was one of the very best canvasback lakes in California. One of the owners planted some carp, and they, of course, increased rapidly. So rapidly, in fact, that they ate up everything. All the natural food for the ducks has disappeared. We tried repeatedly to plant weed and other feed, but to no effect, as the carp would destroy it before it got started.

"About eight years ago we induced the Fish and Game Commission to plant some bass in the lake, thinking the bass would destroy the carp. They were put in the sugar company's lake, and there has never been a bass caught or seen in our lake. So I thought if the carp were destroyed the duck feed could be planted again, and some bass put in with some assurance of increase. Hence the application for permit."

Abas le carp! The man who first imported these German water hogs did about as good a job as George Peabody when he wished—aye, inflicted—the English sparrow upon the nation!

Such things are legally impossible nowadays. The Fish and Game Comission has drastic laws drafted not only to prevent importing dangerous or experimental species, but even to prevent diseased fish or game being brought in to spread infection among our native birds.

GAME PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION TO MEET.

The Department of Game Breeding and Preserving of the American Game Protective Association announces the second national conference on game breeding and preserving.

This will be held in New York City Monday and Tuesday, March 6 and 7, at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, and there will be a dinner with interesting moving pictures on the evening of March 6.

The sessions will be presided over by Mr. Frederic C. Walcott, chairman of the Department, and among the well-known men who have been asked to take part in the program are: Senator George P. McLean, Connecticut; the Hon. Henry S. Graves, United States Forester; E. C. Hinshaw, Chief Game Warden, Iowa; George D. Pratt, Conservation Commissioner, New York; Samuel Evans of St. Charles, Illinois; John M. Phillips of Pittsburg, Dr. Arthur A. Allen of Cornell University and Norman McClintock, the well known naturalist.

There will be an especially notable attendance of the men who are making the United States worth while as a game breeding country. Among these will be Messrs. Duncan Dunn, Harry T. Rogers, Neil Clark, Adam Scott, A. G. MacVicar, Arthur M. Barnes and Amos E. George.

There will be a dinner on Monday night, March 6, and moving pictures of wild life will be a conspicuous feature of the evening entertainment.

The first national conference on game breeding and preserving, held during March of last year, under the auspices of the American Game Protective Association, was an unqualified success. This year promises to mark the largest gathering of those interested in this very important branch of wild life conservation work that has ever taken place in the history of the country.

Every one interested in game breeding and in conservation generally is invited to attend without further notice. Tickets for the dinner on Monday night can be secured by addressing William B. Boulton, Treasurer, 2273 Woolworth Building, New York City, and enclosing a check at the rate of $5 for each reservation wanted.

At the various sessions of the conference, the latest methods of breeding such well-known species as ruffed grouse, quail, ring-neck pheasants, ducks, deer, wild turkeys and other species will be discussed by the leading experts.

HOW ABOUT THIS, BILL ELLIS?

Bill Ellis of E. C. fame, who is making Hugh Poston hustle, has one more obstacle in his road. Bill says that when shooting in a fifty-bird match it was always easy going up to the 49th bird. Then he had to take a long breath and choke the lump down—the rest was a cinch, fifty straight. Now, Bill has read Lester German's account of how he missed one in five hundred. Lester states it was caused by a mental hazard. Bill is worried as to whether he should use a spoon or a knife to eat it and if it will stay down when put.

WILD GEESE USED AS DECOYS.

S. C. Churchman of Rio Vista claims the most novel collection of geese decoys in the state, and according to J. L. Emight and H. E. Meyers of Sacramento, who were hunting with him on his private grounds at the end of the season, it is the most effective. Both the Sacramento sportsmen secured limit bags through the performance of the decoys.

The decoys are none other than wild geese, which have been so tamed by Churchman that they will not leave his grounds. At the camp they are kept in a large wire corral, and when wanted for decoys are transported to the hunting rounds on a cart. There part of them are retained in the corral and the others turned loose on the feeding grounds.

As soon as the wild brethren appear the decoys send out shrill cries of welcome, and when the flock draws sufficiently close grow silent. Then it only remains for the sportsmen to let fly.

Churchman has been collecting the flock for the last three years. Slightly wounded birds have been captured and cared for until they recovered. Then they are kept in the wire corral until thoroughly tamed. When the shooting is over for the day the birds which have been released are herded back into the corral, put on the cart and taken home.

The flock was increased the day of the hunt, two slightly wounded birds being captured.—Sacramento Union.

So abundant are elk becoming in several parts of California that it will be proper to allow some hunting within the next few years, according to Director Barton W. Evermann of the California Academy of Sciences, which is aiding in the distribution of the animals from the Miller & Lux ranch at Buttonwillow. Reports received show that all of the shipments during 1914 were successful and that the herds show every indication of a rapid increase in numbers.—Chico Record.

DR. PACKARD WINS AT VERNON.

Stanton A. Bruner is "off" No. 13 for life. Bruner won two consecutive legs on Billy Wilshire's trophy, the eleventh and twelfth, and when it comes time for the thirteenth event "Old John Grippe" stares him in the face and accompanies him to the traps and he falls down something awful, breaking only forty-five out of fifty.

This all happened Sunday when the thirteenth fifty-bird distance handicap competition for the W. H. Wilshire trophy and four silver loving cups of the Vernon Gun Club was held at the Vernon traps.

The thirteenth win was won in reality by Bill Wilshire himself, but Wilshire announced himself out of the competition, and the next highest gun won the trophy. The winner was no other than Dr. Packard, shooting from twenty yards. He broke forty-seven birds out of the half century. His win Sunday made his second leg on the trophy. He and Bruner are the only two so far to possess two wins on the prize. Wilshire's score was a forty-eight.

For the first time in about six weeks the club's program was blessed with sunshine, although a cold north wind blew across the traps, making shooting rather difficult at that. However, remarkable scores were made by a number of shooters, showing the stellar worth of the targets.

Several visiting shooters were out to see the fun on Sunday. They declared they came out purposely to see Bruner fall down on his third attempt at the prize. They went home satisfied. Bruner didn't. The visitors were Jack Coombs and J. C. Fanashon, the latter being a gunner of quite a reputation back in Minneapolis. He broke forty-one in the prize shoot and 164 out of 175 at practice.

One Frank Mellus, who recently dropped out of the trapshooting game and turned over the family reputation to his brother Lou, who shouldered it with marvelous success, found the sport too alluring and was out and actually broke another ninety-nine.

Three small-bore champs were out Sunday to see how many birds they could shatter with their 20 and 28-gauge guns. Ed Hedderly turned out the best gunner of the squad, breaking ninety-one out of the century thrown with a 20-gauge gun. Dr. Fitzgerald used a 28-gauge and shattered eighteen out of twenty-five. Pete Peterson also used a 28-gauge, but broke only twelve birds out of twenty-five.

Class shooting governed the score on the silver cup event. Packard, with his score of forty-seven out of fifty in the Wilshire event, naturally copped a win on the cup in the A aggregation. Bill Pugh won in Class B, Wilshire in C, and Manderville in D.

The scores are as follows:

Names—	Yds. Hdp.	Cup scores. Thr.	Bke.	Practice. Thr.	Bke.
R. L. Hall	20	50	44	200	185
J. C. Fanashon	19	50	41	175	164
S. A. Bruner	20	50	45	175	165
Frank Mellus	20	50	46	175	170
Manderville	16	50	41	75	64
George J. Tuckett	18	50	45	50	47
Harry Cline	17	50	46	50	40
P. E. Peterson	16	50	43	75	67
M. Adams	16	50	46	..	..
William Pugh	18	50	46	50	44
Fred Gruell	17	50	43	75	71
J. E. Davis	16	50	39	75	54
Harry Hoyt	16	50	45	50	42
W. T. Dougherty	16	50	45	75	69
Percival	16	50	37	50	32
White	16	50	45	200	179
Phil Dethere	16	50	45	50	42
Dr. Fitzgerald	20	50	44	150	141
H. O. Shropshire	16	50	40	..	..
Lou Mellus	18	50	45	125	116
C. E. Groat	16	50	41	125	107
T. P. Smith	16	50	44	150	130
Fullerton	16	50	40	125	101
Rollinson	16	50	40	25	23
Dr. Packard	20	50	47	25	25
Evans	17	50	43	25	20
Brown	16	50	36	..	..
Van Nest	16	50	35	..	..
Edward Hedderly	16	50	46	50	45
W. E. Foor	16	50	36	..	..
W. K. Wilshire	16	50	45	..	..
A. W. Bruner	16	50	45	..	..
H. C. Harvey	16	..	..	25	19
O'Mera	16	..	..	25	12

SIBERIAN DOGS SAVE MOVING PICTURE ACTORS.

Sixteen champion Siberian sledge dogs, taken into Bear Valley to give Alaskan color to a Vitagraph picture, have saved the lives of three women and twelve men who were snowbound in the San Bernardino mountains.

Nell Shipman, authoress, scenario writer and leading woman of the "God's Country and the Woman" story which was being enacted in the snowdrifts of Bear Valley, arrived in Los Angeles with other members of the company. They had undergone an unusually trying experience. She said:

"If it had not been for the dogs we never would have escaped death in the snows. We had been in the camp, 70 miles from Victorville, two weeks, this last trip. We had just gone through a terrific snowstorm. One pass out was entirely closed. The closing of the other pass would have meant that we would have been snowed in until next spring. We had provisions for just a little over a week. Then the hurricane came up and we had to make the rushing 'mush' out or be lost. The dogs brought us out."

Rolin Sturgeon, producing manager of the Western Vitagraph; William Duncan, leading man; George Holt, heavy man; George Kunkland, character man; William Bainridge, character man, Philo Goodfriend, assistant director; Harry Harris, camera man, and William Babbie, Chris Enriquez and Edgar Keller also were with the party.

Producer Sturgeon, minimizing as much as possible the danger he and his companions went through, said:

"The menace lay in the necessity of the company delaying an hour or two to start out. That would have meant nobody could get to us and we could not get out. The proposition we faced then was to get from the cabins to the snowline, where we were to meet a rescuing party from Victorville.

"We loaded the girls on the log sledges, using skis and snowshoes ourselves. It was 70 miles to Victorville. We left camp early Friday morning. Some time that day we met the rescue party, who were coming in with a great snow shovel improvised out of three giant motor trucks. We loaded our baggage and extra trappings on them and by Friday night we had arrived at Victorville."

John Johnson, owner of the dog team that carried the company to safety, had earlier in the week driven his dogs and the sledge from the camp to the snow line to carry news of the photoplayers' plight to the world. He had arranged for the rescuers to meet the company Saturday.

SOME FIGURES ON DUCK SEASON.

The open season for ducks closed down Monday, as per schedule, and the hunters will talk it over for many a day to come. Fact is, it was the poorest season for limit bags on record. Figures kept at the local office of the Fish and Game Commission indicate that less than fifty percent wild fowl was killed this season than last. As reviewed before,, weather conditions interfered materially with the sport and the failure of the northern flight of birds to arrive is still the source of much speculation. The regulars cannot understand why the northern birds did not arrive per custom of years back.

The commission keeps a record on the number of ducks shipped with the express companies and the figures fell off at an alarming rate. The birds reported by this means were:

5,289 for last 15 days, October
7,582 for November.
7,212 for December.
4,000 (estimate) for January.

24,083 total estimate.

In comparison with these figures the record in previous years runs:

85,000 for 1913-14 season.
125,000 for 1912-13 season.
225,000 for 1911-12 season.

Of course, the records do not include the birds that were carried in, which total many more than those shipped, but it gives an idea of how the shooting fell off. January was especially a disastrous month for bagging game. The storms and rain scattered the birds far and wide and the local hunters who usually have their good sport about that time had practically no shooting.

Game experts take an optimistic view of the decrease in the number of birds bagged. They say that it means more game for next season. It may be true but it is also a matter of record that less ducks have been killed as each year passed and it may indicate that ducks are rapidly decreasing in numbers.

MARKET HUNTERS WILL SOON BE GONE.

J. S. Hunter, assistant executive officer of the Fish and Game Commission, gives out the cheering news that the presence of market hunters in the field to slaughter wild game will soon be a thing of the past. Records kept last season showed that there were only about twenty-five engaged in the business of killing game for the market and they were hampered so by law regulations and the watch placed on them by deputies that they found it very poor pay. Many of them dropped out before the season closed and the indications are that not half of them will be in the field when the season opens again.

"Three things have worked against the market hunter," explains Mr. Hunter. "In the first place, they have to contend with the game deputies who see that they do not bag more than the limit of twenty-five in a day; then, a record is made of their shipments and this enables us to keep a pretty close check on them, and thirdly and most important, they are up against the problem of getting their money from the parties to whom they ship.

"Fortunately, the Commission has suitable laws at its back to stamp out the evil of slaughtering game. The right to search was the biggest thing permitting us to carry out the law. The abolishing of animal blinds was another big help. In the days gone by the market hunters used to work a system that gave the birds little or no chance. A trained horse or cow was employed as a blind. The professionals worked in threes usually and as one acted as a lookout for deputies and game wardens with a field glass, the other two would sneak up on a flock of ducks behind their blind and when within range they would blaze away.

"The market hunters used a four-barrel gun or a nine-shot automatic and they gave the ducks the full benefit of these weapons. It is a matter of record that the slaughter was terrible. Frequently as high as 150 to 200 ducks were killed on the one raid. It is very pleasing that we are stopping this wholesale slaughter. We kept just as sharp a lookout as before but if the market hunters do evade us they are perplexed to do the shipping and then to receive their money. In the course of time I do not believe there will be any market hunters."

All of which is good news. It means more game for the boys who love the sport of hunting for sport's sake alone.

SEATTLE TRAP SHOOTERS MEET.

Large attendance and great enthusiasm was manifested at the annual meeting of the Seattle Trapshooters' Association last week. Through the courtesy of C. E. McKelvey, spacious rooms in the Washington Annex were placed at the service of the association.

After hearing reports of last year's business, election of officers for the ensuing year was declared in order, which resulted in the selection of C. E. McKelvey as president; Ralph Kinzer, treasurer, and W. B. Taft, secretary. Plans for next season were then discussed, the club deciding to start the actual season on Sunday, February 13, and hold weekly contests throughout the year. As the club was awarded the state shoot for the year 1916, it was decided to hold same during the month of May.

The secretary was instructed to wire the Interstate Association the club's bid for the Pacific Coast Handicap, if same has not yet been awarded. It is understood that both Portland and Spokane are also bidding for this event.

Starting a membership campaign, twelve new shooters were enrolled at this meeting, and to further this work it was decided to remit all initiation fees until May 1. From the interest shown it is confidently expected to add over one hundred new members within the next sixty days.

A committee was appointed and instructed to make extensive improvements in the club grounds at Harbor Island.

FINED FOR SHOOTING QUAIL.

The minimum fine of $25 was inflicted on Frederick A. Bass by Justice of the Peace Clarke Howard of Placerville, after he had pleaded guilty to a complaint sworn out by Deputy Game Warden Euell Gray, charging him with killing mountain quail out of season.

It was also brought out at the trial that the defendant was hunting without a license. He said that he had not purchased a hunting license because he rarely hunted. The game warden was above town for the purpose of feeding the starving quail in that vicinity. As he approached Whiterock canyon, near where Bass resides, he found tracks in the snow, and shortly afterwards heard the firing of a shotgun. He found that quail had been killed in the several places where the snow had melted and they had sought refuge. He followed the tracks to the Bass home. Bass admitted killing the birds and by way of explanation stated that he did not know the season was closed.

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The beginning of a series of bird days declared by Governor Boyle's proclamation asking residents of Nevada to feed their feathered friends a little grain while the snow is deep on the ground, started last week. The governor said the storm had thrown the birds on the mercy and bounty of man, as it buried their natural food.

SNAKE EXPERT ANGLER.

That some snakes can catch fish as well as old anglers was demonstrated recently on the ranch of E. D. Osborne, near here, says the Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

A small spring creek runs through the pasture on the Osborne ranch, large enough for fish to play in. Here a large water snake was seen to grab a rainbow trout by the head and make for tall grass.

Osborne killed the snake and threw the live fish back into the pool. The fish was about twelve inches in length.

HERE'S CHAMPION SKUNK HUNTER.

A. J. Smith of San Jacinto is the champion skunk hunter of Glenn county. Others may claim that title, but they cannot present figures that compare with those of Smith of San Jacinto. This week he dispatched 15 of the fur-bearing animals and for the full week his score was 27. The recent high water has made skunk killing an easy matter. Forced out of their holes by the floods, the skunks sit defenseless on dry patches of ground. Smith, armed with a long pole with an iron head, approaches a skunk and when near enough bowls him over with one blow. Skunk furs are bringing high prices this year.

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Thousandsof robins in large flocks have made their appearance at Los Banos since the heavy snows. It is believed they came from the valleys on the other side of the coast mountains. They are unusually large and beautiful, and appear delighted with the fresh green carpet of their new home. A number of small boys have been killing the birds, contrary to the provisions of the game laws.

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Raymond Benjamin of San Francisco, deputy attorney general, is now a full-fledged member of the Last Chance Gun Club. He has also been added to the legal staff of the club, which means that the millionaires' club has more legal talent opposing its litigation with the Last Chance sports. Benjamin won a similar case for some friend in Napa, his former home.

THE FARM

HOW TO KILL HOGS.

A well selected butchering outfit and a convenient place for working are important considerations at hog killing time. To aid in this work demonstration experts of the department of agriculture suggest as a handy and complete kit the following: Two butcher knives, two bell or candlestick scrapers, a meat saw and a sharpening steel. The meat saw is for sawing down the backbone and cutting up the carcass. The candlestick scrapers have detachable handles and are used to remove the hair and scurf from the hogs. A long waterproof apron which will protect the clothing can be had at a small cost.

A 24- to 36-hour fast, plenty of water, careful handling and rest before slaughter are all important in securing meat in the best condition for use, either fresh or for curing purposes. Food in the stomach decomposes very rapidly after slaughter, and where the dressing is slow the gases generated often affect the flavor of the meat. Water should be given freely up to the time of slaughter, as it keeps the temperature normal. It is highly important that the animals be not excited in any way sufficiently to raise the temperature of the body. If the animal becomes heated it is better to allow it to rest over night before killing than to risk spoiling the meat. It is also essential that the bog be carefully handled so as not to bruise the body.

It is customary on the farm to stun hogs before sticking them, although in some localities this is not done. Another method is by shooting the hog through the head with a rifle, although extraordinary care should be exercised in using a rifle around farm buildings. After stunning by a heavy blow on the center of the forehead immediately above the eyes with a poleax the eight inch straight bladed knife is inserted into the hog's throat in the under portion of the neck, to a point just in front of the chest cavity, but not into this cavity. The knife is given a twist and sideward motion to sever the blood vessels and allow the blood to flow. By laying the hog on one side and elevating the ham end the blood will gravitate freely.

A barrel is the receptacle commonly used for scalding. If it is set at the proper slant, with the open end against a table or platform of the proper height and the bottom securely fastened there is little danger of accident. A strong table built for the purpose would be a very desirable thing on which to work, although it is not absolutely necessary. A box often serves very well. The water for scalding should be heated to the boiling point. This will allow for a reduction of temperature when the water is put into a cold barrel, the best temperature for scalding the hogs being from 145 to 150 degrees. Be careful not to have the water so hot as to cook the skin of the hog. If the water is too hot the hair is likely to set. A small shovelful of hard wood ashes added to the water aids materially in removing the scurf from the body, though it has no effect in loosening the hair. A lump of lime, a handful of soap, a little pine tar or a tablespoonful of concentrated lye has the same effect.

The hog should not be scalded before life is extinct or the blood vessels near the surface of the skin will be cooked, giving a reddish tinge to the carcass. While being scalded the hog should be moved constantly to avoid cooking the skin. Occasionally it should be drawn out of the water to air, when the hair may be tried. As soon as the hair and scurf slip easily from the surface, scalding is complete. If it is suspected that the water is too hot, scald the hind end of the hog first. If the water is too hot and you overscald the head, you will be adding to the trouble of scraping the part most difficult to clean. When the water is about right begin by scalding the head. The scraping and cleaning of the hog's skin should be done as soon as possible after removal of the animal from the scalding vat. Scraping a cold hog is a difficult if not an impossible task. Where it is necessary to reverse the position of the hog in the barrel to complete scalding the portion scalded should be cleaned before attempting to scald the other end of the hog.

When the hair starts readily remove the animal from the water and begin scraping. The bell scraper should be used with a long sweeping movement over the sides and ends while the hog is still hot. The head and feet should be cleaned first, as they cool quickly. Pull the ears through the hands to remove the bulk of the hair. Grasp with the hands the lower portions of the legs and twist to assist in cleaning them. Use the candlestick scraper for removing the skin and scurf from the flat surfaces and as much as possible from the other parts and finish the cleaning of the entire carcass, removing all hair, scurf, and dirt by rinsing with hot water and shaving with the large knife.

Cut the skin at the side of the tendons below the hock to expose the tendons so that a gambrel stick may be inserted. The next step is to hang the hog by his hind legs by means of the gambrel stick high enough so that his head clears the ground. Wash down with hot water, shave over any unfinished patches and wash the entire carcass again to remove all loose hair and scurf. Occasionally a hog is killed that is too large to scald in a barrel. If it is covered thickly with blankets or with sacks containing a little bran and hot water poured over it the hair will be loosened readily.

In removing the entrails first split the hog between the hind legs, separating the bones with the knife. This can easily be done if the cut is made directly through the union of bones between the hams. Run the knift down the center of the belly, shielding the point with the fingers of the left hand and guiding it with the right. There is little danger of cutting the intestines in this way. Split the breastbone with the knife or an ax and cut down through the sticking place to the chin. Cut around the rectum and pull it down until the kidneys are reached, using the knife when necessary to sever the cords attaching it to the bed. Remove the sexuar organ, then cut across the artery running down the backbone, cut around the diaphragm (skirt(and remove the intestines, stomach and pluck, that is, heart, liver and lungs, grasping the mass of organs near the union to the backbone and diaphragm, sever attachments with a knife where necessary. In this operation the windpipe down to the head should be removed with the pluck.

Do not disturb the kidneys or the leaf fat in carcasses to be shipped, except in warm weather, when the leaf may be removed to allow quicker and more thorough cooling. If the hog is to be cut up on the farm and not intended for shipment in carcass form, it is advisable to loosen the leaf fat from the abdominal wall, allowing it to remain attached to the carcass at the ham end. Open the jaw and insert a small block to allow free drainage, then wash out all blood with cold water and sponge out with a coarse cloth.

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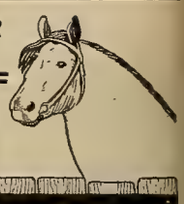
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MANAGEMENT OF THE BREEDING HERD.

We have now come to the point in this series of articles where it is necessary to consider the general management of the breeding herd. In the first place, the nearer we can follow natural conditions the better. Plenty of feed and plenty of exercise are essentials.

Nothing beats good grass in its season, and the more the grass season can be proolnged the better off the cattle will be. Cattle are simply machines with which to manufacture the products of the farm into marketable material, so we want them to consume what we grow on the farm and give us in return a product from which we can realize the most profit. In the case of the purebred herd the profit comes in the form of the calves produced, and the herd must be handled with this end in view; if the calves are not of such quality as to be in demand for breeders or are not produced in sufficient numbers to be remunerative in the grand summing up, then our whole venture is a financial failure. And these very things may be easily thwarted if we defy the laws of nature.

Our plans should be so laid that an abundant supply of grass may be constantly on hand. To be sure there will be times when we cannot ge it, but it should be there just the same. Pastures should never be overlooked. All purebred cattle farms should have some permanent pasture. In most sections of the United States bluegrass is the foundation of all permanent pastures and is available at most times of the year. A liberal growth in the fall means something for the cattle to pick at during the frozen days of winter; it also insures a much earlier spring crop. Grass for the cows means milk for the calves; both are nature's feed and nothing can beat either of them.

But we must have something more than grass, as there will be winter weather to reckon with. Good corn silage is as nearly a perfect substitute for nature's feed as we can have. And there is also a time during the hot summer months when silage is sorely needed. An August silo is a good thing to have. Do not have it too large, but have it well filled, and if you do not need it this year it will keep until next. But bluegrass pastures well manured and with plenty of shade make the ideal summer feeding ground for purebred cattle.

Shelter must be provided for winter, yet cattle in good flesh will stand a lot of cold when the weather is clear or not stormy and are really the better for doing so. But of course they should be protected from rain and snow, as hte chill occasioned by wet and cold combined is to be avoided at all times. They usually should be stabled at night, but unless the weather is extremely cold or stormy they are much better turned out on the bluegrass during the day. This of course does not apply to young calves nor to very thin cows, if there are such, but to breeding herds under average conditions. Exercise and fresh air are essential to the best health and the best breeding condition of the herd. Close confinement in poorly ventilated, overheated stables is a most fruitful source of disease and is really more dangerous than exposure to all kinds of weather.

In most sections of the cornbelt the cattle can stay on the pastures until the holidays, and if the grass is short a little corn fodder or shock corn may be hauled out to supplement this ration. When in the barn at night corn silage with a liberal supply of hay should be given. The hay should be timothy mixed with some one of the various clovers which can be grown most successfully on the farm, and some cottonseed meal, cornmeal or linseed meal may be added to the silage, the amount to be governed by the condition of the animal. Milking cows should be fed liberally because a good flow of milk is desired to push along the sucking calf from which we must get our profit, a point always to be kept in view.

These suggestions are general and will have to be modified to suit different sections of the country. The man who is breeding cattle in the far north will have more time in the barn and a warmer one, while the one in the south will need very little shelter and possibly none at all. But the general health of the cattle is the all-important thing to be borne in mind at all times, and proper judgment must be exercised by the breeder.

Purebred cattle breeding is a business worthy of the best efforts of our most intelligent men. In it is found an inspiration for original creative work and one's best judgment will often be taxed to its utmost capacity to know what to do in order that the best results may be obtained and the desired end accomplished. Indulgence in a life o fease free from cares or exertion is not best for either man or beast. It is only one step from this to disease. Coddling should be most strenuously avoided, for through it a herd of purebred cattle may be made to grow continually weaker in each succeeding generation, while with sufficient sunlight, air and exercise each generation should be stronger than its ancestors.

All practical breeders find that the little things which keep constantly coming up in the every-day management of the herd demand their most serious thoughtfulness; and they are far more troublesome because they can only be learned by real practical experience. We read all our books and study the conditions laid down in them, but soon along comes something we have never read about and it seems peculiarly adapted to our own herd. Under such conditions there is no help for us. We must work it out by using good horse-sense.

When the herd has increased to the extent that it contains females of the various ages, they should be divided into lots of the same size and age. They will then make a better appearance before the visitor or intending purchaser. By taking him to a pasture where there are only the matrons of the herd he is impressed more than if there were a lot of yearling and two-year-old heifers mixed in among them. A pasture in which there are a lot of well-grown, thick two-year-olds looks better without the thinner cows being with them. And the yearling heifers may need a little extra feed which can only be given them when in a pasture with no others. In many ways we find it advantageous to have each kind separate.

When the cows are near to calving the yshould be turned into a small pasture located near the barns, so that they can be carefully watched. If everything is all right they may not need any assistance. But if a cow is too long in labor she should be taken into the stable and an examination made, because an undue length of time in labor has a tendency to weaken both the mother and the calf. After the delivery is made see that the cow dries the calf. This in most cases she will be impelled by maternal instinct to do, but some cows, especially heifers with their first calves, sometimes need a little help. If she will not lick the calf her attention should be called to the calf by turning it over. Sometimes a little bran or meal or salt sprinkled on the calf will cause her to do her duty, but in some cases she will do nothing except butt the calf over whenever it attempt to get up. In this case the cow must be tied up in the stable, the calf dried by vigorous rubbing with coarse cloths, and then suckled.

Once it is filled with milk the cow will have learned her maternal duties It will usually be in condition to take care of itself. For two weeks it should not be taken away from its dam more than a couple of hours at a time, as it needs a little milk at a time and needs it often. If allowed to get too hungry the calf will take an overdose when the opportunity offers and indigestion will result from it. But after six weeks it will probably begin to eat a little mixed meal and bran, then the

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calf may be kept away from its dam. A little of this mixture should be kept in a box which is conveniently located for the calf to find, allowing it to suck twice a day. Given mother's milk twice a day and what grain it will eat, the calf will make a good growth and do it without being very much bother to anyone. To be sure if its early life comes in the winter it will need a good warm place to stay at night, but be sure to give enough exercise to keep the calf good on its legs. If it is summer time when the calf is born, keep it way from the flies during the day, always remembering the feed.

Plenty of feed and plenty of exercise always prove the making of the calf. The calf makes your profit if you get any. Keep up this feeding until the calf is six or eight months old. It will be a good eater by this time and may be put on feed alone. The change will come so gradually that it will not be noticed.—Breeders' Gazette.

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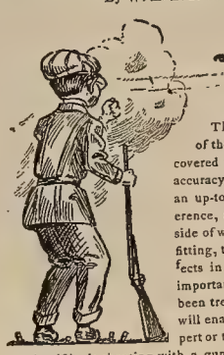
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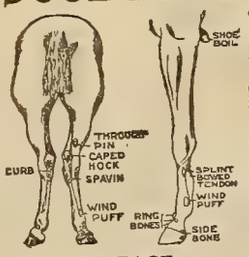
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The great body of men who are the bone and sinew of a mighty nation, those who are upright, God loving men, those who love their neighbor, their country, peace, justice and their fellow creatures, see, when they look at a horse, something to be cared for and cherished as a choice possession, a being of life that is next to man in the scale of life, and the horses of such men, while they cannot speak, unmistakably proclaim what sort of man their keeper is. More can be told of a man's true character, after looking at his horse five minutes, than he can say himself in a week.

The "sports" and gamblers see nothing but a gambling machine, a means for gratifying their mania for betting. The old cavalryman who has served in the desert places of the west sees one of God's noblest creatures, a fellow and companion to be cared for at all times. The new cavalry recruit, who was born and has always lived in a city sees, in an experienced cavalry horse, a monster untamable that is capable of doing numberless things to injure and terrify a young man; later, he learns that this supposedly diabolical fiend is really his best friend and companion and he learns to resent an insult to his horse quicker than one to himself, he learns to "speak to his horse as he would to his sweetheart."

The conscienceless dealer, or trader, sees only profit, he sees only an article of merchandise such as a keg of nails or a pile of pig-iron, something out of which he can make money. The gilded city youth sees, or has seen, only a "red hot time"; he now sees these times by machinery and goes to outer darkness via the "turned turtle," "jumped off a bridge" and "collided with a telegraph pole" routes, greatly to the relief of the horses who formerly suffered great misery from such sources. The average farmer, who should be more intelligent, sees only a source of power to be neglected, poorly fed, half taken care of and worked to the limit. The good M. D. V., who is himself disabled, sees in a horse needing attention a way to alleviate suffering, and promptly does his best. He sees a great deal when he looks at a horse, so much more than I that I will not attempt to tell anything that passes in his view.

When I look at a horse I see ages of time and their happenings pass in review before me. At first they march by in stately array rendering honor to whom honor is due; soon the gait quickens and they pass at the trot; then as thoughts multiply, the gallop is taken up and the charm of many ages is seen in a moment. I see, away back when man was not on earth, a small five toed animal, the original horse, who, while small, had to contend with or escape from the mighty reptiles that held sway in those days. This small horse gives way to the larger three toed one, and he, in turn, to his still larger single toed or hoofed descendant and now the real, interesting things begin to be seen. Man is on earth, and horses, who are wild, have to contend with savage man in addition to their other troubles in contending with ferocious beasts that prey on them. Man finally brings the horses into semi-subjection and they become useful to him though even the savage is more than half afraid of his wild steeds. What fierce things horses must have been in those days! To the pagan he was a monster breathing fire and smoke, and to the Hebrews he was terror personified; they fled from the "cohorts all gleaming with purple and gold." The Egyptian armies that were swallowed up in the Red Sea received just retribution but I have always wished that their horses could have escaped. It was then as now—horses and men were so inseparably connected that disaster to one spelled death to the other. I seem to hear, as it was spoken from the whirlwind, by God's own voice, that remarkable tribute:

"Hast thou given the horse strength?
Hast thou clothed his neck with thunder?
Canst thou make him afraid as a grasshopper?
The glory of his nostrils is terrible.
He paweth in the valley and rejoiceth in his strength.
He goeth on to meet the armed men.
He mocketh at fear and is not affrighted;
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The quiver rattleth against him,
The glittering spear and the shield.
He swalloweth the ground with fierceness and rage,
Neither believeth he that is the sound of the trumpet.
He sayeth among the trumpets Ha! Ha!
And he smelleth the battle afar off,
The thunder of the captains and the shouting."

Ages have since passed but no finer tribute to the horse has been written or spoken than is found in the Book of Job 39:19-25.

As thoughts multiply Roman cohorts, with their plumed centurions, Mohammedan fanatics, Saracen bands, the hosts of Attila, "the scourge of God," Charlemagne's armies, all depending on their horses, are seen. The winged Pegasus flits fancifully about and calls forth a wish that he were real, now on earth and in my keeping. Whether in peace or war, raid or battle, song or story, the history of horse and man are so interwoven that they cannot be separated and the love of horses is so ingrained in the nature of most men that centuries of time cannot eradicate it. Spaniards battling for eight hundred years to expel the Moors from their country appreciated horses but were cruel to them, not as cruel, however, in many ways, as another nation that is popularly believed to be lovers of horses.

I see the condition of the world, when to own a horse was equivalent to being a gentleman, as witness the Spanish word for gentleman, "caballero," literally, "horseman." In those days the possession of a horse so distinguished its owner that he was a gentleman and the distinction survives in the word. I see "Knights of Plantagenet, horsemen of Saladin," haughty Crusaders, Emperors, Kings, Potentates, Princes, armored and followed by retainers, all riding horses and dependent on them. No king so powerful that much of his power did not depend on horses. Fierce hand to hand battles where "horse and man together fall" are seen.

Then a pious band leave all that is near and dear to them, strike out across an almost unknown ocean to find peace for their consciences in the wilderness of a new world, and they take their horses with them. Who can get along without horses? Those hardy pioneers builded better than they knew and soon it became necessary for them to free themselves from the oppression that followed them across thousands of miles of the ocean they crossed to escape. Almost the first thing it was a horse and his patriot rider that "gave the alarm through every Middlesex village and farm," with the result that a new nation arose, destined to be the first to be founded on the rights of man. This originally small nation grows very fast, it becomes a young and hardy giant in a few years. Soon it becomes necessary to put sin away from among them and a great war commences. Now I see great misery among the horses; they are maimed on every battlefield; one becomes immortal by carrying his rider a long way and bringing him up in season to win victory from defeat.

Horses aid numberless ways in winning victory for the right. Is food scarce in camp, soldiers go out on horses to search for more. Is a sudden move against the enemy necessary, it is the cavalry that does it. Is it necessary to lay waste a fruitful valley so a crow flying over it must carry his provisions with him, it is a fiery cavalry leader that does it and he is followed by his fiery troopers and their faithful horses. Is there a message of life or death to be carried, a mounted man rides furiously and arrives in season to save a man about to be executed, but the horse falls dead, he gave his life that a man might live as thousands of other horses have done throughout the world. All this and much more was done by the horses, still there are those that say, "it is only a horse"!

After the sin has been put out from among them, the young giant nation grows by leaps and bounds. It is said to be necessary to subdue the rightful possessor of the land, and it is done in a ruthless manner, but the rightful possessor also has horses and inflicts much damage on the robbers before they overcome him. After wiping out years of wrong and insult in one carnival of slaughter a horse only is found alive where the paleface corpses lay very thick.

Instead of wild horses and savage man I now see a mighty nation at peace, men, their savagery covered by a thin veneer of civilization which slowly, oh! so slowly, thickens, and horses, their fierce wild nature subdued by generations of captivity have become gentle but are still courageous, and with the men, are working out the destiny that God has set for them. Of the horse of all ages, who has seen better than the gentle giants who do the work of the nation? Who has seen a more handsome sight than a well cared for troop of cavalry horses? Their necks are still clothed with thunder, they still rejoice in their strength; the glory of their nostrils is still terrible and they still have the courage to go on to meet the armed men, neither turn they back from the sword. No greater disaster could overtake man than for all the horses to be suddenly taken from among them. All this and much more I see when I look at a horse. "He that hath eyes to see let him see."—Cavalry Journal.

OUR FRONTISPIECE.

It is with a great deal of pleasure that we introduce to our readers this week the engaging pair whose photographic likeness graces our cover page. The young lady whose skill as an equestrienne is so strikingly attested by the grace and perfection of her seat is Miss Mabel Penery French of Vancouver, who enjoys the distinction of being the first young woman admitted to the practice of law in the western province of the dominion as a full-fledged barrister, while the horse, whose command of himself and the situation in general is rivaled only by the similar qualities displayed by his mistress, is the Irish hunter Schweitzer, heralded without contradiction as the finest representative of his kind in the west. Several times a steeplechase winner at Minoru, he has, since coming into the possession of Miss French some four years ago, proven a consistent winner of blue ribbons and trophies in the show rings at various northwestern cities, his honors including the hunter championship at the Vancouver horse show in April, 1913. He is held in such high esteem both by his owner and his countless knowing admirers in the dominion—and our Canadian cousins are most excellent judges of the quality of hunters — that Miss French has expressed the intention of taking him east some time to try conclusions with the cracks of "the Garden," and if our likeness of them may be taken as a criterion the judges at Madison Square will be hard put to find reasons for placing others above them. Aside from its general attractiveness, the picture is recommended to the consideration of the most critical as a specimen of proper equitation, being almost flawless from the seat and hands standpoint. Miss French also plans an overland trip to California with her favorite, and her visit would be the source of much pleasure to the local coterie of riders who frequent the bridle paths of the parks and the long stretches of inviting beach.

The photograph from which our reproduction is made was taken at Brockton Point in Stanley Park, Vancouver's famous playground where the greatest of attractions is the equestrian path, which winds in and out among the giant trees and zoological gardens and from different points of which one garners fleeting glimpses of the towers and turrets of an ultra modern city, the sheen of the salt water, the snow clad peaks of the Cascades, the shadowy aisles of the forest primeval, and the depths of a wilderness whose fastnesses are little known save to the wild things God put there in the beginning.

And to think that in the place of Miss French and Schweitzer we might have printed for you the picture of some much-bedecked damosel at the steering wheel of a steen hundred horse power car!

The Status of the Fair Association

A BRIEF STATEMENT OF CONDITIONS FACED BY THE CALIFORNIA HORSEMAN

In last week's number of this publication, comment was made in brief concerning the necessity for prompt action of some description on the part of the recently organized Pacific Coast Fair Association if any results of a beneficial nature were to be accomplished this season. An additional necessity, the selection of a secretary, now confronts the members, as prior to the appearance of last week's paper but after the time at which the last forms had closed and been sent to the press room, the advice was received from Robert A. Smith of Los Angeles that his resignation had been tendered President I. L. Borden, to take effect immediately, a visit to Mr. Borden's confirming the unwelcome and unexpected news. The letter effecting Mr. Smith's retirement from active participation in the work of re-establishing the district and county fair throughout California on a new and permanent basis was addressed to Mr. Borden as president of the Pacific Coast Fair Association and was couched in the following terms:

"I sincerely regret that I find it necessary to resign at Secretary and Treasurer of the Pacific Coast Fair Association owing to the fact that I have recently and unexpectedly acquired new business interests that will demand all my time and may also necessitate the spending of a portion of the coming season in the east. I had formulated plans for a series of fairs in California which I had hoped would meet with the approval of the directors and members of the association in that they might renew the old-time successful and prosperous county fair in an up-to-date fashion. Enclosed you will please find check to your order for three hundred and twenty dollars, total amount collected from members and which is the total amount in the treasury. I also enclose minutes of meetings and list of members. I am confident that with a broad, generous policy the purpose for which the association was organized can be brought to a successful issue. I wish the association every possible success and will gladly communicate any plans I have made regarding the matter."

While the action taken by Mr. Smith is a matter of regret to every member of the association, as he seemed the one man whose services were available who might succeed in bringing success to the fair movement, the resignation left no course for Mr. Borden to pursue save to accept the same on behalf of the organization, though the acceptance was made with a great deal of reluctance. Mr. Borden assumed the presidency on the assurance that the secretary would do all the work, and now finds the entire responsibility of the matter devolved upon him at a time when his own widely varied affairs require his closest attention for practically all daylight hours and many of those between sunset and sunrise. The membership of the association being so widely scattered that a meeting at an early date is out of the question, and Mr. Borden having no time at his disposal for taking the matter up personally with every one of the thirty-two persons composing the body, it was decided to present the state of affairs as they exist at this moment through the columns of the Breeder and Sportsman, with the respectful request that every member or prospective member of the association, as well as the representatives of the local organizations throughout the state, give the same their consideration and make an immediate expression of their views to Mr. Borden or to this paper, preferably the former. The Breeder and Sportsman has no ax to grind on the association's stone, but its columns are open at all times and the services of its staff gratuitously tendered to the support of every movement which has for its object the furtherance of the welfare of the Pacific coast horseman and stock-breeder. Accept as "gospel," before going any further, that our interests in the matters up for consideration are vital, that our opinions are absolutely devoid of prejudice, and that any ideas advanced or suggestions tendered are offered solely in the hope of inviting discussion, criticism or approval of a scope and nature that will result in the adoption of a definite plan of action most acceptable to the greatest number, for in this manner alone can the restoration and perpetuation of the fair be accomplished.

The Pacific Coast Fair Association, truly a "child of necessity," was formed as a result of the decline in horse breeding and racing in California and of the unsuccessful attempts to secure legislation from the assembly and governor of a nature that would provide for state appropriations for district fairs. Its aims were, and are, the promotion of a series of fairs with racing for the present season, and the popularizing of the same to an extent where they can be continued without state aid if the same is steadfastly denied, though the idea is always uppermost of making these fairs so successful and popular with the people of the state at large that there will be an irresistible general request for their perpetuation on broader lines and the consequent enactment, by concerted demand on the part of press and people, of legislation in their behalf.

At the time the body was organized, there was no plan of action submitted. Most of the time of the two meetings was taken up in reviewing what has happened to the horse and fair business in the past, what might be done for them in the future, and the raising of a subscription of a large amount, presumably to be expended as the directors saw fit. Some forty people signified their intentions of becoming members of the body; when it came to a showdown, thirty-two paid an initial fee of ten dollars, and this is the only cash ever in the treasury. A provisional subscription was started with the idea of obtaining the sum of five hundred dollars each from fifty men, and while a considerable proportion of this gross sum was subscribed, every subscription was provisional upon the total amount being raised. As there seems no chance whatever of this being accomplished, those five hundred dollar "testimonials" are eloquent answers to the question "When is a subscription not a subscription?" A few parties whose names are included in that list have signified their willingness to make their subscription unconditional and gave Mr. Smith authority to draw upon them for that amount at any time when needed; others joined the five hundred dollar list confident that the provision would not be eliminated through the subscription of the complete amount and with no intention of ever paying in that sum, while at least one instance is known where the subscription was repudiated. These things augur ill for the success of the attempt to raise a really large sum, and put the association on a three hundred and twenty dollar basis — about enough to pay office expenses of a hard-working, "go-getting" secretary for one month.

Personally, the editor of this publication has never believed that the raising of such a sum was practicable under present conditions, at least in five hundred dollar wads, and while there is a very comfortable feeling about having plenty of money on hand to carry through any kind of a proposition, a wonderful amount of good can be accomplished with an initial fund considerably less than the one originally designated as the primary requisite for the association's activities. When the matter was first broached to the writer, some time in advance of the first of the two meetings that were held and even before the horsemen had assembled in this city for the exposition race meeting, about half this sum was the largest sum mentioned, and subscriptions were rated at from twenty to a hundred dollars, or more in rare instances where a larger subscription would work no greater hardship upon the donor than would the twenty-dollar ones upon the less fortunate members of the fraternity of trotting horse lovers. By the time the last meeting rolled around the thing had

Proposed Circuit for California Fairs

SEASON OF 1916

Only the California State Fair has claimed dates definitely at this writing; the following schedule of events is submitted merely as a guide to what might be definitely arranged, the notation after each meeting listed being a brief review of what may be expected at that particular point; the circuit as herewith planned is based upon a number of considerations, chief among them the avoidance of conflict in dates, the continuity of racing, and the economical transportation of racing stables, exhibits and amusement features.

SANTA ANA — Orange County Fair . . . July 31—Aug. 5
Held an experimental fair in 1915 for the first time in several years; the purses were not large but the racing was entertaining and popular and the event paid for itself; its promoters declared themselves well pleased with the result, and that a better meeting would be forthcoming this season.

VENTURA — Ventura County Fair . . . . . Aug. 7—12
Held fairs in 1914 and 1915, increasingly successful, with only a few events for harness horses; this year's fair will be more pretentious and members of the association have stated that the purses for harness races will be larger and more numerous.

SALINAS — Monterey County Fair . . . . . Aug. 14—19
County provides moderate appropriation for fair to be held every two years, and as none was staged last season the appropriation is available for 1916.

SANTA ROSA—Sonoma County Fair . . . . Aug. 21—26
Has given the most successful fairs in Northern California during recent years and various members of the association have stated that an excellent fair in every way is planned for this season.

SACRAMENTO — California State Fair . . . . Sept. 2—9
Always the best speed program on the coast; appropriation already made for this year's exhibition.

WOODLAND — Yolo County Fair . . . . . Sept. 11—16
No definite information; sentiment throughout the county favors a fair, as does the local Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. Silva, now owner of the track and grounds there, is one of the prime movers of the fair project; can probably be depended upon for a meeting of some kind.

PLEASANTON — Alameda County Fair . . . Sept. 18—23
Not probable that a pretentious meeting will be staged, but directors of fair association announced some months ago their intention to give an event annually and are in line for this year.

FRESNO — Fresno District Fair . . . . . Sept. 25—30
Made money and laid up a surplus with horse racing as the principal feature for some seasons; last year specialized on novel features and lost money; horse will probably occupy former place on this year's program, according to statement of certain directors and members.

HANFORD — Kings County Fair . . . . . Oct. 2—7
Best small fair in state until exposition broke into the series; directors have met and announced that this year the fair will be better than ever; a modest but substantial speed program is always the attraction at this point.

BAKERSFIELD — Kern County Fair . . . . . Oct. 9—14
No fair of late but a prominent member of the association has stated that the plant is in good shape and that a fair with horse racing is planned for this fall.

RIVERSIDE — Riverside County Fair . . . . Oct. 16—21
The healthiest young fair in the west; has made money since its inception three years ago and has a surplus on hand that augurs well for the meeting this season, which will include more harness horse events for larger purses than before.

PHOENIX — Arizona State Fair . . . . . Oct. 30—Nov. 4
Long very successful and largely patronized by Californians; appropriation for 1915 was smallest in years but racing was good, proved very popular, and secretary and directors are confident of presenting a more pretentious program this time.

"run away with itself" until it came to a point of five hundred dollars or nothing, which froze out the support of the average horseman save in the way of good will and a ten dollar membership fee. I recall one of the early movers of the project, a man ready and able to put up a hundred dollars, who renigged entirely when it came to a show down, stating to me afterwards that he did not believe the twenty-five thousand dollar movement had the slightest chance of achieving success and that under those conditions he considered the payment of the ten dollar membership fee to be a pure and simple waste of that much money. He also stated further that he was still in line for the hundred dollar bit whenever the matter got down to a really sound, businesslike basis. Quite probably there are many more like him.

It is impracticable for any body of horsemen to figure on giving a circuit of meetings independently, for in almost every California town where there is a plant at which a meeting could be given with the slightest hope of attaining a fair degree of success, is already a local association of some sort that plans to give a meeting of some description. It is also impracticable to plan the giving of straight race meetings without general fair features at a time when there is no legal system of speculation. This eliminates a few points where there are tracks without facilities for giving a fair, and there are also places well equipped in every way where any sort of a fair or race meeting is, from all recent past indications, predestined to suffer a financial loss. The object for this season should be the giving of a moderate number of fairs in localities where the movement already has friends and supporters, and give them under such pleasing conditions that the record established by them in the way of success and popularity will be the very strongest evidence that can be submitted to the legislature this winter in support of a district fair bill, the Pacific Coast Fair Association taking direct charge of the campaign for an appropriation. If favorable legislation is to be secured the movement must have a direct and substantial sponsor, whose business it shall be to keep everlastingly at it, by personal persuasion, mail and press. Back of this sponsor must be the influence and moral support of every local fair association, every horseman, every stock breeder, and every progressive agriculturist, and this support is not "visionary" or unattainable. It is not to be attained, however, unless horsemen themselves take the initiative, get together, stay together, drop all personal or neighborhood differences, and "go at it" in their shirt sleeves. It is not attainable through provisional subscriptions or without the services of some one man who shall make the securing of success for every fair in the state his sole and only business for the time being.

After a good many conversations with horsemen and breeders from different parts of the state, and a review of conditions existing in certain localities, the writer drew up the tentative plans for the season's fairs which appears herewith, there seeming to be no one else to start the ball rolling again. The proposed circuit as it is shown is not as originally planned, owing to the fact that the state fair has announced its dates a week or so earlier than was expected. Arrangements should have been made simultaneously by all the associations that would have given meetings this season so that there would have been no doubling of railroad travel, but the state organization probably grew tired of waiting for concerted action and went ahead independently. The most economical arrangement would have been Santa Ana, Ventura, Salinas, Pleasanton, Santa Rosa, Woodland, Sacramento, Fresno, Hanford, Bakersfield, Riverside and Phoenix, as thereby would have been entailed the least amount of shipping, but the circuit, if adopted as presented herewith, might be much worse. It is also possible that there are a few points other than those listed at which meetings might be given with a fair degree of success, but the towns above are the most reliable ones. San Jose, where there is an excellent track, is a poor horse town and there are no facilities for giving a fair. Stockton has a complete plant but the last meeting in 1912 was not a success and the town did not make good its proposed bonus to the sponsors of the event. At every one of the places mentioned it should prove a comparatively simple matter to give a fair that should prove practically self-sustaining, and if the merchants of the towns are alive to the benefits accruing to them from the holding of the fair, a bonus of sufficient size to guarantee the association against loss should be raised if properly gone about.

There are, of course, certain objections to be raised against the circuit as outlined, but people and places must make up their minds that not every one can have exactly what is most desired, and that in a matter of this kind the convenience of others must be considered. Santa Ana and Ventura, both small events, would attract only horses from the approximate vicinity, the main body of horses not joining in the fray until Salinas or Santa Rosa was reached. Should those cities not care to stage their meetings early, but prefer to take potluck at any time during the season or to follow Riverside and depend upon such horses as were not bound for the Arizona State Fair (and this might be arranged for a week later than given in our proposed schedule) the town of Pleasanton might hold forth sufficient inducements to the P. C. T. H. B. A. for that organization to stage the opening meeting of the year on the dates now accorded Ventura. Pleasanton is the smallest town in the schedule, but there is a good population in the valley, the patronage accorded racing is good, and the town very probably would offer a substantial bonus for the coming of the campaigners and the attendant crowds for that extra week, for Pleasanton is fully aware of the amount of money that the race track puts in circulation even in a lively training season. Woodland might raise some objection to following the state fair on the grounds that the larger event would "kill" the smaller one immediately following it in the same vicinity, but on the other hand it can be advanced that with the same horses coming to Woodland that had just made history at the state fair, the interest stimulated in their performances at that event would cause many people to "strain a point" order to see the contests continued at Woodland the following week. Hanford expressed a preference for the last week in September, but the first week in October would probably be fully as welcome. As a whole the arrangement should be fairly acceptable to all concerned. Anyway, until something is submitted and talked over it is a cinch that no one will ever get what they want, and conflicts may ensue that will prove costly both to horsemen and fair associations.

In the event of raising the sum of twenty-five thousand dollars, the intention, so far as known to the writer, was to use the major portion of this amount in providing purse and stake money. Not many of the places included in this schedule need the total amount of purse and stake money provided for them, if any. There are a few points where assistance would be most welcome to the local association and go far toward providing a program of sufficient value to make it worth while for the horsemen to ship to that point. In such instances why would it not be practicable to have the local association go its limit on a program for three days of the week, leaving the fourth (either Thursday, Friday or Saturday) to be sponsored by the horsemen's association, the latter to receive all the entrance money paid in for that day and a mutually acceptable percentage of the gate and grandstand receipts? For this assistance the local organization should be willing to pay in the neighborhood of sixty-five per cent of the day's business, and by such an agreement a much better program could be arranged than if the home folks were to go it alone. It would mean more horses in attendance, a better fair in every way, greater interest in the racing, as there would be sufficient on each of the four days to furnish an afternoon of rare pleasure, and the cost to the horsemen's body would be slight. Properly gone about, there is no reason why an equitable co-operative understanding between all parties concerned should not become an actuality—and a very profitable one at that.

At every one of the points listed, there is an association ready to do its share toward giving a circuit. Twelve weeks of racing is a fairly extensive season and will mean the putting into circulation of a considerable sum of money. Given a few thousand dollars in its treasury, the Pacific Coast Fair Association could send its secretary to each of these towns to assist in the raising of a bonus; he could exercise supervision over the circuit as a whole, laying special stress upon the publicity work and the educating of the public to the fact that district fairs are very popular, are necessary, and can be obtained on a permanent basis with a state subsidy, if the campaign for them is properly waged. With the press and public fully awake to the possibilities offered by the perpetuation of the subsidized fair, the movement for legislation to that end will carry much more weight and meet with much more consideration at the hands of the assembly and the governor than has ever been the case before.

At many places there is a need for an experienced publicity man, speed superintendent or other executive of wide experience, the same not being supplied in the offering of "local talent," and the home associations could go far toward providing the salary of the general secretary by engaging his services for their meeting in some capacity of this nature, the benefits accruing to them being considerably in excess of the extra cost. Further funds for the prosecution of the work in behalf of the state appropriation could be raised by the payment to the main organization of a certain small percentage of the gross receipts of every local association, as the horsemen themselves should not be expected to shoulder the entire burden. It must be borne in mind that even if the state does come to the aid of the district fairs, none of the money appropriated is in any way available for stakes and purses. Once the movement is actually under way in the hands of a competent secretary whose every effort is devoted to that project, it will really not be a hard task to raise sufficient money and create enough interest in the movement to push it to a successful conclusion. The absolute needs for the immediate future are a secretary, funds, and a united effort on the part of fair associations, horsemen, stockmen and farmers, and all other persons in any way to be benefitted by the permanent establishment of fairs in California.

Mr. Borden explains his position over his own signature in a communication appearing herewith, and it is the earnest hope that this plain statement of the existing condition of affairs will be the means of producing the action needed — and that without delay. The ideas and suggestions of all persons concerned will be welcomed.

A Statement from Mr. Borden

417 Montgomery Street,
San Francisco, Feb. 9, 1916.

To Members of the Pacific Coast Fair Ass'n:

The resignation of Robert A. Smith of Los Angeles as secretary and treasurer of this association having been tendered some days ago and accepted with much regret by me on behalf of the association, and the failure of the subscription list to attain the sum necessary to make the subscriptions binding rather than merely conditional, make the immediate accomplishment of the following matters vital to the success of the association's plans: The election of a secretary and treasurer and the raising of an adequate fund for carrying on the work originally planned.

The impracticability of holding a meeting of the members at this time and the fact that I myself have not the time to take matters up in person with the various parties concerned cause this means to be taken for placing the aspect of the situation before horsemen in general, whether members of this association or not. I was made president over my personal protest, and on the assurance that the secretary would "do all the work." My affairs prohibit me from giving these matters any adequate amount of my own time and attention, and I request that immediate steps be taken for the election of a secretary and treasurer, for the raising of funds, and for the adoption of a definite plan of action for the season.

Unless such action can be—and is—taken at once I will consider the disbanding of the organization as it at present exists to be advisable, and will return to each of the thirty-two men who are actually members the ten dollars originally paid in by them, accompanied by my resignation and the suggestion that an entire reorganization be effected. I would thank members to advise me immediately whether they wish to go ahead on the original proposition, or wish their money returned and a new start made. In any event my personal support in a financial way is assured and, given a definite plan of action and a secretary to assume the burden of carrying the same to a successful conclusion, my own subscription to the association's funds will be made without reserve or "strings" of any kind.

Assuring every breeder, every owner, every trainer, and every fair association, be it large or small, of my constant interest in their welfare and my willingness to aid in any and every way possible, and requesting from all quarters an immediate expression of ideas concerning the matters referred to herein, I beg to remain,

Most respectfully yours,
I. L. BORDEN.

Entries to Pacific Breeders' Futurity No. 16 for Foals of 1916

The Pacific Breeders' Futurity Stakes Number Sixteen, for foals of mares bred in 1915, closed on February first and attracted a total of seventy-one nominations, the smallest number that has ever been recorded for a Breeders' Futurity. Like the directors of the California State Agricultural Society, the persons in control of the Breeders' Association believe that every effort should be made to tide the industry of breeding and racing through the present hard times, and the stake has been declared closed and will be raced according to the conditions advertised.

While the nominations are not as numerous as was hoped, they are well distributed throughout the state, thirty-seven stallions being represented. Copa de Oro heads the list with eight of the mares bred to him in 1915 nominated in the stake, wih his stable mate Carlokin second with seven, William G. Durfee thereby being awarded both special premiums for stallion owners, fifty dollars in all, payable on February twentieth. Peter McKlyo stands third in the list with five representatives; Expressive Mac, Jim Logan, Mahomet Watts and Vernon McKinney have four each; Guy Dillon has three, while Bond Wilk, Joe Patchen II. and McDillon have two each. The complete list of nominations is as follows:

OWNER	MARE	STALLION BRED TO
J. N. Anderson	Della Derby by Chas. Derby	McDillon
Louis Armbrust	Madge by Mechanic	Richard Alto
E. L. Bartlett	Lady Steinmore by Bonnie Steinway	Exponent C.
J. P. Berry	Thelma I. by Dictatus	Logan Pointer
I. L. Borden	Gold Lilly by Copa de Oro	Expressive Mac
I. L. Borden	Cleopatra by Zolock	Barney Barnato
W. C. Brown	Princess Bessum by Egyptian Prince	Robert Bingen
T. L. Carey	Quinie Direct by Quintell	Hallie's Star
S. Christenson	Ella J. T. by Bob Mason	True Kinney
I. J. Cornett	Salinas Princess by Eugeneer	McDillon
I. J. Cornett	Malvina by Oh So	Vernon McKinney
Hazen Cowan	Nettie W. by Dixie B.	Guy Dillon
S. H. Cowell	Dione II. by Cupid	Peter McKlyo
S. H. Cowell	Hulda C. by Dexter Prince	Panama
S. H. Cowell	Eleanor Sears by Searchlight	Peter McKlyo
C. L. DeRyder	Gracie Pointer by Star Pointer	Vernon McKinney
C. L. DeRyder	Arawanna B. by Sidney Dillon	Vernon McKinney
J. F. Dunne	Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy	Mahomet Watts
W. G. Durfee	My Irene S. by Petigru	Carlokin
W. G. Durfee	Atherine by Patron	Carlokin
W. G. Durfee	Honey Healey by Zombro	Carlokin
W. G. Durfee	De Ora by Copa de Oro	Carlokin
W. G. Durfee	Subito II. by Del Coronado	Carlokin
W. G. Durfee	Ezelda by Del Coronado	Carlokin
W. G. Durfee	Nonie Girl by Petigru	Carlokin
W. G. Durfee	Pavlowa B. by Petigru	Copa de Oro
W. G. Durfee	Subito by Steinway	Copa de Oro
W. G. Durfee	Ida Sours (thoroughbred)	Copa de Oro
W. G. Durfee	Leonor McKay by McKinney	Copa de Oro
W. G. Durfee	Truly II. by Prince Ansel	Copa de Oro
W. G. Durfee	Rosebud by Directo	Alton
Wm. M. Ferguson	Roan Mare by Jay Bird	Paolus
L. L. Gilpin	Maud Jay C. by Nearest	Copa de Oro
Alex. Grant	Sona by McKinney	Al de Baron
Geo. L. Hamer	Nustina by Nushagak	The Proof
Con Harkins	Belle Bow by The Bow	Wilbur Lou
Hemet Stock Farm	Zeta W. by Nutwood Wilkes	Bond Wilk
A. W. Longley	Brown Mare by Ben Benton	Bond Wilk
A. W. Longley	Black Mare by Sidney	Mahomet Watts
R. J. MacKenzie	Martha Spy by The Spy	Joe Patchen II
R. J. MacKenzie	Merry Widow by Red Pac	Rapallo
R. J. MacKenzie	Eugenia B. by Zombro	Quintell
R. J. MacKenzie	Baroness Psyche by Baron Review	Mahomet Watts
R. J. MacKenzie	Mildred Togo by Togo	Mahomet Watts
R. J. MacKenzie	Zombro Belle by Zombro	Joe Patchen II.
R. J. MacKenzie	Bay Mare by Carlokin	Jim Logan
J. W. Marshall	Ramona by Demonio	Jim Logan
J. W. Marshall	Bally Pointer by Star Pointer	William Harold
Robert D. Mason	Bessie by McKinney	Jim Logan
Roy D. Mayes	Bernice Marshall by Demonio	Jim Logan
J. E. Montgomery	Margaret M. by Chestnut Tom	Expressive Mac
J. H. Nelson	Zyphrus by Zombro	Peter McKlyo
Chas. W. Paine	Sweet Edina by Zombro	Guy Dillon
J. H. Rosseter	Girlie by Stanford McKinney	Vernon McKinney
Geo. F. Ryan	Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon	Otis Jr.
W. L. Selman	Miss Delta by J. J. M. Jr.	Derbertha Bells
C. W. Shaw	Baby by Tanglewood	Skidoo Wilkes
J. E. Short	Honda Girl by Rubino	Wild Nutling
J. E. Short	Rubber Girl by Skidoo Wilkes	Teddy Bear
Chas. F. Silva	Normono by Demonio	Morris A.
A. B. Spooner	San Luis Bell by McGinnis	Copa de Oro
Mrs. Jas. Stewart	Easter D. by Diablo	Peter McKlyo
L. H. Todhunter	Leavinettie by Zombro	Guy Dillon
F. S. Turner	Miss Lyon by Lyon	Pegasus
Valencia Stock Farm	Rose Girl by Amado	Bondholder
D. W. Wallis	Mary W. by Dictatus	Peter McKlyo
G. Wempe	Plumado by Advertiser	Zomblack
G. Wempe	Belle Alwin by Lord Alwin	Stanford McKinney
M. L. Woy	Loma B. by Stam B.	Expressive Mac
M. L. Woy	Florence B. by Bon Voyage	Expressive Mac
M. L. Woy	Strathalie by Strathway	Expressive Mac

THE EXCUSE TRAINER.

A wise man told us that the majority of people who proved failures could well be excused because they had taken up vocations unsuited to them; that in the particular vocation to which they were adapted they would have won success, etc., etc.

This brings to mind the thought that there are a whole lot of men in the horse business who have missed their calling, and, as a consequence, have to be put down in the failure list. But the great trouble is that these incompetent horsemen never get wise to the fact that they are "in bad"—never "get onto themselves."

It's too bad, but too true, as all of us recognize. The thing that keeps these failures in the business and makes it possible for them to "get by" is the fine line of excuses which they have evolved through years of practice. "Self-preservation is the first law of nature," and following this law the trainer-failures make up by means of excuses for what they lack in ability. It becomes an art with them and the longer they live the more proficient they become.

No contingency arises which they cannot readily meet, and while some years ago Murray Howe published his famous "Excuse Book," he frankly admitted that so far as covering the field was concerned, he hadn't even scratched it.

These "excuse trainers" make more trouble for starters, judges and secretaries than all the good trainers put together; also they are the most constant "kickers" and "knockers," and from first to last do the sport a deal of harm. But, like death and taxes, they are inevitable—always with us, and "here to stay."

Excuses and "alibis," however, are not confined to the incompetents. The top-notchers have to pull them nearly every day, but, of course, they do not lean on them, do not depend on them for their strongest support, as do the regular "excusers" of whom I am writing.

In the front ranks of "excusers" are those trainers who have become race-shy. They "stall-walk" the day before they have to get up to drive a race, and not infrequently before post time they have an attack of "Jim Ramey's." Naturally they are too nervous to drive a good race, but no matter how badly they mess things up, they come up standing, and with truly marvelous facility explain to the owner the various causes that were responsible for their steed's bad showing. Of course, the starter had it infor 'em, always had, the blankety blank—— ——. Sent them away when they were ten lengths back, and the horse not flat. They would have won the second heat had not So-and-So run into them on the turn. "Didn't you see it? Why, it was as plain as day; but them judges are not only blind, but crooked as well. What chance has a fellow got on this circuit, anyhow, with starter, judges and the Sec. playing a few favorites an' lettin' their pet drivers get away with all kinds of rough stuff?"

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Passing through the paddock one afternoon I almost collided with an excited, perspiring gentleman of my acquaintance, who was holding in his hand a bottle of wine. He was hurrying like a fire engine answering a 4-11 call, elbowing bystanders out of his way and giving the general impression of a man whose nut was occupied by a diseased K. "Why the wine?" someone asked him, and he responded, "Going to give it to my horse; got a bet down."

A veteran swipe was what on the horse, his face wearing a disgusted expression, butted in with "better give it to the driver."

And it did seem as if the driver needed the stimulant, for he was pale and shaking like a wet dog on a pair of steelyards. No—the horse didn't win the heat; but he seemed to enjoy the bubble-water.

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I can't recall what Murray's excuse No. 1 was, but the distinction rightly belongs to the trainers who "get away" down at the draw-gate and then roar on the starter. That's where they have been getting off all their lives, and the only way that you could get them to score down with a field would be to tow-rope 'em. Always they are beaten before they get the word, even with steeds that outclass their fields. With this sort you couldn't fix a race and make them win it, for something would surely "happen" before its termination.

Being "run into" is, of course, the one stereotyped, standard, blown-in-the-bottle excuse. Most of the trainers that use it, however, use the overland route and never drive near enough to the field to be run into with a sulky thirty feet wide.

There is, though, another type of "run into" excusers, viz., the drivers that get so excited in a race that they shut their eyes and drive guideless, running into every one unfortunate enough to get close to them, and occasionally taking a slam at the hub board. I have in mind an especial case that came under my observation several years ago. This driver used to be all over the track, with the result that he caused a series of wrecks wherever he appeared. The other drivers gave him a wide berth, but he was into them just the same. I saw him, on one occasion, pull across the track from fourth horse place and hook into an inoffensive driver who was at the pole. Seeing him coming, the victim began to shout, "for the love of Mike, don't grab me!" but the next instant the two of them were struggling amid the wreck of scrambled horses and sulkies. The victim was naturally irate, but I intervened before hostilities had gone very far, telling him that the wrecker didn't do it on purpose. The language that that man used when he turned on me was something fearful to hear. I haven't the figures on how many sulkies this guideless driver tore up in one season, but I do know that there was a constant relay of rigs going and coming to and from the factory.

One day the owner, who was a mighty fine man, came to me and said: "I can't understand why it is that all the drivers are bent on running into Bill! Every week they have cut him down and the expense for sulkies is something fierce."

I "felt for him," but didn't think it my office to "wise him up."

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When Ben Walker was driving on the Grand Circuit he was constantly used as an "alibi" for drivers who were accustomed to pulling the "run into" excuse—Ben did occasionally "take care" of a fellow driver when the money was down. I think it was at Windsor, Ont., that the incident I am about to relate occurred. A driver whose name I will not mention ran his horse into the fence on the first turn. The steed broke and he was distanced, whereupon the jehu mounted the judges' stand and put up the plea that Ben had cut him down. The judges examined the score-card and informed him that they could not see how that was possible in view of the fact that Ben had no mount in the race.

He was, however, driving in another race, and it so happened that I was standing with him beneath the judges' stand when the driver went into the stand. Ben was hot upon hearing the driver's explanation, but when the climax came his hawk-like features opened in the widest of smiles and he remarked, "I suppose that if some fellow got distanced up in Maine and I was out in California, he would blame it on me."

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While not quite pertinent to the subject, I may relate an incident happening on an occasion when everyone expected Tommy Murphy to make a kick—but he fooled them. It was at Fort Erie that it happened, and Tommy's mount was View Elder. Billy M. was first choice, and he was scoring for the first heat at a terrific rate, pulling Bill Sweeney and fighting for his head. Meantime Tommy was starting down, but taking back, letting Billy M. tear away. Finally the starter gave the word with View Elder facing the outside fence and standing flat-footed. Tommy proceeded to jog around the track, the big gang crowding around the judges' stand in order to hear him protest, but after dismounting, the New Yorker walked up the stretch without even glancing at the judges. He had "got what was coming to him," and accepted it gracefully.

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Being distanced by a short margin often brings up the excuse that the driver was in by a couple of lengths at least, and could have beaten the banner away off if he wanted to. I always thought the consolation given by Walter Cox to a fellow reinsman who vociferously proclaimed he wasn't distanced was about the best in its line I ever heard—it's an old one, and I have told it before, but it's worth repeating.

"You were right near me, Walter," proclaimed the angry one, "and you know that I was in all right."

"Sure you were," replied the complacent New Englander, "but that mare of yours was stopping so fast that she backed out again."

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"Got me in a pocket. Couldn't get out or would have won, sure!"—that's one that was sprung when they were racing dinosaurs in the prehistoric age. I heard it sprung on an owner once, who had put a good bet down on his horse, and was pretty sore at the outcome.

"Yes," he exclaimed with fervor, "and while they were putting you into a pocket the bookmakers were putting their hands into my pockets."

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The "excusers" were afforded the very best possible ground for handing out that time-worn and somewhat decrepit one, "short of work," last season, for it rained a great deal in the spring. It was good throughout the entire summer, and I heard it circulated late in the fall, even. And this reminds me of the companion that goes with "short of work": "He never was any 'count till he had a couple of races under his belt." I heard an old-time successful trainer pull it once after a race at Milwaukee, Wis. Dick McMahon and myself landed in the beer city one Monday morning for the state fair, and about the first man we met at the track was the "old timer." He was seated on a trunk, and after greetings had been exchanged, turned to Dick, remarking: "Dick,

do you want to see a little bit the best trotter that ever wore hair? Well, there he is—that brown fellow with his head out of the stall."

"Can he step some?" inquired Dick.

"Step? Why, he can trot holes in the air. Just keep your eyes on him when he parades this afternoon."

I neglected to state that the old-timer had wintered at Memphis, and it was now fall, and we were wearing overcoats. We did watch him, and saw him decisively beaten by a little bush mare that none of the mile track campaigners had ever heard of before.

"Come," said Dick, "let's hear what the excuse is," and, sure enough, we heard it. "Old-timer," with his face covered with the dust that the "busher" had put there, was ready for us.

"I'm not a bit surprised," he said. "You see, this fellow never was any 'count 'till he had a couple of races under his belt."

"And when," inquired Dick, who was somewhat nonplussed by being brought face to face with the antediluvian alibi, "do you expect to get him ready? You started in training about Jan. 1, and now it's getting ready to snow?"

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Now, here's one that has cheered the hearts of many owners, and kept many trainers in position to put their feet under tables three times a day and partake of viands other than hog and hominy.

He comes home in the fall, re-establishes himself at the fair grounds, and prepares to enjoy a pleasant winter. The owner is not quite satisfied with the manner in which the horse has raced, but when he comes out to visit the trainer, finds everything nice and snug and when given this one, he chuckles with delight.

The trainer greets him cordially, leads him out to view the steed who is contentedly munching his hay, then he says: "Well, boss, the steed didn't do quite as well as I expected, but I've brought him home sound, and there he is, just look at him, and (with a knowing nod of the head directed to the adjacent quarters of a hustling brother trainer, who has been out getting the money all season), we ain't got a cripple to nurse all winter like some fellers I could mention."

Does it get by? Well, rather—same as it did before Messenger was imported.

Does the owner think about the shipping, feed and entry bills? He does not—instead he goes down town and tells his friends, "We didn't do so very well, but we haven't a cripple on our hands like some people I could mention. That's what I like about Bill's training," he adds, "he don't put them in the hospital like ——," etc., etc.

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Some of the "excusers" seem to have the toughest sort of luck with tires blowing up and boots getting loose, and many lost races may be attributed to these misfortunes. The very day that the horse is ready to race for his life, the track just to his liking, and almost a certainty that he can tramp on his field, what happens?

"Why, just another of them continental d— pieces of bad luck! Suspenders busted, and let the knee boots down; didn't you see them dangling around his legs?"

"I had that tire fixed only last week, but, blankety blank, down it goes and first thing I know it's wedged solid in the fork. Win? Of course I would have won."

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"Hitting the arch with his hocks" may have worm holes in it, and be weak in the knees, but after leading his ace it's the "excuser's" next best card. That excuse is usually saddled on the swipe who hitched the horse too close. Last summer I saw it pulled three times in one afternoon by a hard-pressed "excuser," who had induced the owner and his family to come and see the horse win. The race really looked safe for the horse, for the "excuser" had dropped him into a spot where he didn't have a chance to lose if he behaved. Well, to make a long story short, the horse broke in the first heat and was charged with hitting the arch; but, despite a new rig after each heat, he continued to spill the beans. The unfortunate "excuser" kept pulling the same excuse all the while, being for the first time in his life unable to think of anything better. He had my sympathy, for that night he and the owner parted company. The "excuser" was broke and discouraged, but by this time I will wager he has a nice bunch of horses, for he is a shifty fellow and very plausible.

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But there are many little tragedies back of the mass of excuses handed out—poor, helpless trainers, with families to support, insisting upon sticking to the horse business despite the fact that they are incompetent. Year after year they struggle along, always hoping for a change in what they regard as their ill luck, but never improving their condition. Naturally they become sour upon the world, and eventually arrive at that stage where they think that every man's hand is turned against them. I suppose every business or profession has in its ranks a multitude of this same type of vocational misfits and failures, men who cannot make good, but those in our business appeal to us more for the reason that we are in closer touch with them.

The training profession at best is one that requires brains and skill in order to help its followers to climb even to the middle of the ladder; so how can the weaklings hope to get their feet off the ground?—Marque, in Horse Review.

NOTES and NEWS

Samuel Gamble, one of the most widely known horsemen of the old school and who for very many years played a most important part in the successful establishment of the family of the trotter on this coast, died Wednesday, February ninth, in this city after an illness of short duration. Funeral services, attended by a large number of friends, were held Friday afternoon at the parlors of Bunker & Lunt, 2666 Mission street, interment being private. Mr. Gamble was well along in his sixty-seventh year and until a short time ago had enjoyed very good health, the news of his death coming as a surprise to all save a few of his most intimate friends. A more fitting notice of his work in behalf of the one living thing which he placed above all others, the trotter, will be made in an early issue.

Professor E. P. Heald of this city was re-elected second vice-president of the National Trotting Association at the biennial meeting of that body Wednesday in New York. B. F. Rush remains a member of the Pacific Board for another six years, and the election of Thomas S. Griffith to the same body was confirmed, Mr. Griffith filling the vacancy caused through the death of Colonel J. C. Kirkpatrick of this city.

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Not content with being by far the largest winning driver on the coast in 1915, William G. Durfee now steps to the front in mid-winter form and grabs both moneys in the special awards to stallion owners in the recently closed Breeders' Futurity. There are moments when the wild desire to suppress this man Durfee must course hotly through the veins of more than one "good man and true" here in our western country.

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Harry Nelson of Selma has the trotting mare Nellie Mac at home for a little midwinter layoff, but she will be put in active training again as soon as that time of year rolls around—and the weather man permits—with the intention of fitting her to race in the green trotting classes this season. She trialed for Charley Clark last fall in 2:09½ before her letup, and looks to be a sure 2:10 trotter for Expressive Mac 2:25½, whose present trio of representatives in the charmed circle are all pacers.

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President C. W. Clark of the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association arrived back in California some days ago after a lengthy visit at eastern points, the race track at New Orleans being one of the chief centers of attraction for him during his absence. There has been considerable speculation as to whether the association of which he is the head would give a running meet this summer or fall, either at the exposition course or at Tanforan, and an announcement concerning the same will probably be made within the course of the next few weeks.

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Sutherland & Chadbourne, the Pleasanton trainers, are wintering a nice lot of young things that will be keyed up for the season's futurities, and have already issued a warning that all the money is not going to Los Angeles—and if our memory is not at fault there was a little that failed to go that way last season as well. Verna McKinney (2) 2:13, the fastest filly of her age and gait in 1915, is the best known of the younger set, which also includes a two-year-old trotter by The Proof 2:10¾ out of Deviletta 2:10½ by Diablo 2:09¼, owned by W. S. Harkey of Gridley; a two-year-old trotter by Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½ owned by W. C. Brown of Vancouver, B. C.; a three-year-old pacer by Joe Patchen II. 2:03¼ out of the great brood mare Jessie M. by Del Norte; a three-year-old trotter by The Bondsman out of the producing matron Kate Kopje by Cresceus 2:02¼, and a yearling by True Kinney 2:12¼ out of Serpolo by Mendocino, sire of the dam of Mary Putney (3) 2:05½, etc. The record horses Bon Cres 2:10¼ and A. B. C. 2:10¼ and a four-year-old green pacer by Joe Patchen out of a daughter of McAdrian are on the jogging list and all are wintering in fine shape.

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Millard Sanders, who is wintering a bit larger string than has been the case for the last winter or so, is taking especial pride in the off-season condition of those two good young trotters Natalday (2) 2:13½ and Future Tramp (4) 2:09¼, both of them fit to the highest degree and ready for the harder work that will come their way when the weather moderates. The Wilbur Lou colt will be a hard nut to crack in this year's stakes and the Trampfast fellow showed last fall that he is the making of a real trot horse. Owner Tim Sexton is now bewailing the fact that he overlooked the four-year-old gelding record of 2:07¼ made by Uhlan some seasons back, as he is confident that Future Tramp could have scaled that figure appreciably had he been pointed for it and taken to a fast track for the trial.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Lower California Jockey Club was held a few days ago at Carson City, Nevada, the organization being incorporated under the laws of that state, the keynotes of the meeting being harmony and the fixed idea that they are on the right track in their endeavor to establish thoroughbred racing on the border. The Tia Juana meeting was progressing very nicely until the floods put the plant out of commission, and the work of rebuilding will be pushed just as rapidly as possible. The Tia Juana river is now meandering placidly through the center field, after wiping out about every vestige of the track and cutting two or three channels for itself, and the future plans of the club include an increase in the capital stock for the raising of sufficient funds to put the stream back where it belongs and guarantee its staying there through the construction of an extensive system of levees, while the expenditure of a considerable sum in missionary work on the public highways is also under consideration.

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Secretary Charles W. Paine has recently announced that the California State Fair for the season of 1916 will be held on September second to ninth, inclusive, thus giving the big event two Saturdays, as is the usual custom here. While no fair was held last year owing to the exposition the secretary and his staff were far from idle and their own time, and that of numerous workmen, was devoted to making extensive and pleasing improvements in and about the grounds in the way of lawns and fills, while buildings have been fixed up and put in the very best of shape for the staging of this year's fair. Many pleasing features are being planned for the big event and the publicity bureau is already at work letting the public know what to look out for. The speed program, as always, will be a main attraction, and quite a string of trotters and papers are being prepped over the track there for the battles to be waged in September. The way the weather has been this winter the Sacramento track has been in working shape for a greater portion of the time than some of those that are generally considered as being by long odds the best in the west, so that the training colony has been pretty well pleased.

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When the Shinyo Maru cleared for the Orient last Saturday she carried in a specially constructed "cabin de luxe" a pair of aristocratic gentlemen whose names failed to appear on the purser's list of passengers. They were not members of some war-stricken royal family, fleeing in disguise or seeking the shelter of an incognito; they made their reservations in their own proper persons and are scions of royal families that are popular in every part of the globe, in peace or war, the American saddle horse. Some weeks ago the Japanese-American Association, wishing to present their emperor with a coronation gift and recalling his fondness for horses, decided upon this course of presenting their respects and commissioned Dr. J. C. Quinlan, the veterinarian of this city, and Dr. F. Morioka of Los Angeles and a retired Japanese cavalryman, Major A. Asano, to secure the best pair of five gaited geldings available. Many saddlers of high degree were subjected to the most rigid tests and inspections, with the result that Montgomery Rex, from the stable of Charles R. Hadley of Los Angeles, and Don Pedro, from the farm of Judge E. A. Bridgford of this city, were selected as most fit to occupy quarters in the imperial stables, the sum of five thousand dollars being paid for the two. Montgomery Rex, bred in the Blue Grass, is an eight-year-old bay gelding by Montgomery Gay out of Lady Rex McDonald, but Don Pedro is a native son of the golden west, bred and schooled by Judge Bridgford, California's pioneer breeder of the gaited horse, and at the time of his selection by the Japanese commission the Judge's personal favorite mount. In breeding he is a representative of the cross that his former owner always contended was the very best one for the production of the highest type of excellence in the animal destined for riding use, that of the strictly saddle horse stallion upon the trotting bred mare of high quality. His sire is the famous Artist Junior, the premier at the Bridgford establishment for some years, while his dam is the bay mare Azmoori 2:20¾ by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, grandam Azrose by Azmoor 2:20½, great grandam Arodi by Piedmont 2:17¼. These blood lines are representative of the most famous American families of race winners on the trotting turf, and trace in various ways to the great thoroughbred strains upon which the trotting family is founded, the degree of individual perfection attained by the gelding under consideration being most eloquent testimony to the soundness of Judge Bridgford's theory. Both Don Pedro and Montgomery Rex are perfectly schooled five gaited saddlers, and were pronounced by the gentlemen making the selection to be sound in all particulars and in every way the most desirable pair obtainable on the coast. They were accompanied on the journey to their new home by Dr. G. Sakuma, a Japanese veterinary, and Y. Suzki, of the Agricultural College at Tokio. Shortly after their arrival in the Flowery Kingdom they will be presented to the mikado by Y. Numano, consul general from his country at San Francisco, now on a visit to his native home. The imperial stables contain at present some one hundred and twenty horses, largely recruited from Europe and Australia, and the exportation of Don Pedro and Montgomery Rex may mark a new epoch in American trade relations with the Orient.

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STRICT PATROL TO PROTECT TROUT.

Although the shooting season is past, Fish and Game Commission patrol deputies have been active throughout the southern part of the state. The southern division commissioner, M. J. Connell, has been laying plans for paying particular attention to the trout this spring.

Men will be put on the streams during April to see that no one interferes with the spawning steelheads on their run up from the sea to the head waters, wherein they deposit their eggs, and naturally restock the waters. This is considered the most valuable stocking possible, as the young fish are set free under the most favorable conditions in a state of nature.

Experts have figured the mortality of naturally-spawned eggs to be 97 per cent in salmon, and by scientific artificial cultural methods the proportion can be exactly reversed, 97 per cent being reared to distribution size.

It is not thought the mortality among wild-propagated trout runs near so high. They have many natural enemies, more in some streams than in others. Of all these enemies, the various snakes are among the very worst. Most fishermen make it a point to eliminate unfair competition by killing all snakes found on the streams. They are there for fish. They take the small ones mostly, but get some of the takeable size.

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The great volume attained by some of the San Diego streams is apt to encourage a considerable run of steelheads up into them, in the opinion of quite a few trout anglers, who avail themselves of what chances that county offers in their line. The Fish and Game Commission has planted every possible stream in San Diego county with the hope of giving the angling lincensees some such return as they had from the black bass plantings in the reservoir lakes above San Diego and Escondido. Of course the terrible catastrophes visited upon Otay have changed all this.

SHOOTING AT SHELL MOUND RANGE.

Lieutenant John F. Mues of the San Francisco Schuetzen Verein, shooting with the Shell Mound Pistol and Rifle Club as the guest of that club, made 220 points in a ten-shot score Sunday, one of the highest of the day.

R. S. Wixson shot with the Shell Mound Club after an absence from the range of two years and made excellent scores.

Many members of the Shell Mound Pistol and Rifle Club made high scores above the 200 mark. Alfred Thompson made an exceptional high score in class A, making a ten-shot total of 223, and the following members scored 200 or better: L. S. Hawxhurst, K. O. Kindgren, R. S. Wixson, A. M. Poulsen, C. H. Otten and L. Erickson.

A 100-shot rifle match between Herman Enge and E. Schierbaum on one side and K. O. Kindgren and W. A. Siebe on the other side will be held on the Shell Mound range on Sunday, February 20th.

Following are the principal scores of the day:

Shell Mound Pistol and Rifle Club monthly shoot: Class A—L. S. Hawxhurst, 214, 209; A. T. Thompson, 223, 208; K. O. Kindgren, 207; R. S. Wixson, 203, 200. Class B—A. M. Poulsen, 206, 183; O. P. Petersen, 163, 168; C. M. Kraul, 174, 162; H. Purrmann, 178; C. Otten, 214, 190. Class C—G. R. Hauser, 188, 185; L. Erickson, 202, 192. Class D—B. Brunje, 155, 148; P. Kulik, 148, 177; B. Heinemann, 174, 160; E. A. Johnson, 167, 121; John Bender, 182, 193.

Shell Mound Pistol and Rifle Club monthly pistol scores: Class A—Captain C. W. Seely 93; R. S. Wixson 86, 87. Class B—L. Erickson 78, 88; Captain George Larson 76, 73; C. N. Kraul 80, 86. Class C—L. S. Hawxhurst 80, 81; W. Guild 84, 85; E. Schierbaum 67. 73; T. Bridge 79, 84; A. T. Thompson 82, 86; Captain Harry Goetjen 80, 62. Class D—O. P. Peterson 78, 85.

Danish-American Rifle Club, monthly medal competition: C. Peterson 54, G. Riis 37, P. S. Miller 54, C. L. Nielsen 46, T. Andersen 59, H. Frank 25, F. Nielsen 54, S. Mathisen 53, G. C. Kallerup 35, M. C. Hansen 50, T. Christensen 52, P. Westergaard 28, C. Iversen 44.

Deutscher Krieger Verein, monthly medal shoot: Champion class—C. Hartmann, 335; first champion class, Charles Metzger, 420; first class, Charles Meyer, 352; first best shot, Carl Weggenmann; last best shot, John Bender; most centers, John Bender; most red flags, Charles Metzger.

Bullseye shoot, prize winners: John Bender, Chas. Meyer, C. Metzger, Chris Hartmann.

Independent Rifles, monthly medal shoot: Captain Harry W. Gaetjen 57, P. Schonig 63, M. Andresen 48, J. Steiger 48, E. Hoffendorf 11, Corporal J. Birkman 11, C. Iversen 34, H. Schlichtmann Jr. 21, P. S. Miller 45, J. Westergaard 35.

JOHN PROCTOR IS NATIONAL CHAMPION.

John Proctor, winner of the National Championship for 1916, is a big white and lemon colored pointer dog and is so well known to the public that he needs no long panegyric in order to introduce him to the public. He is probably the best known dog in field trials, for he has been before the public five years, during which period he has won between six and seven thousand dollars in money, and his string of wins consists of many firsts, seconds and thirds, and two chicken championships on the prairies. His record is probably better than that of any dog that ever lived. Four times this pointer has competed in this greatest of all events in field trials, and at last, with the fourth attempt, he was successful and may now be retired on his laurels, for John Proctor deserves that, after all that he has done for his owner, A. L. Curtis of Belton, Texas, and his handler, Charles H. Babcock, the lad who piloted a pointer on to victory the first time a National Championship was ever won by a short hair. It has always been Babcock's ambition to make a National Champion of John Proctor. He felt that this pointer was a dob of real National Championship calibre and it was because of this faith in the dog and his own perseverance that he has succeeded.

John Proctor has had many good things said about him and many bad ones, but those who saw his race which took place on the Ames preserve at Grand Junction, Tenn., during the week of January 17th, will go away with the memory of a great event, for John Proctor really ran two magnificent heats and he deserved his win beyond all question of a doubt. In fact, the consensus of opinion was that he won the stake in the first series, but these judges make all dogs show everything that is in them. They will never confer a championship unless a dog shows them from every angle that he is worthy of the title. They are certainly satisfied in their own minds that they have crowned a champion.—American Field.

VIEWS OF A WESTERN TRAP SHOOTER.

Editor Breeder and Sportsman:

As a trap shooter for sixteen years who has witnessed the sport in every form from A to Z, I would like to give my opinion in the Breeder and Sportsman as to how I would like to see a program for the Grand American Handicap.

Firstly, I am not finding fault with how the Interstate Association is running the trap shooting classic, but I have an opinion of my own which differs from theirs. All of us do not want to think alike. Secondly, once we were satisfied with flint-lock guns and black powder; once we were thankful to walk or ride a horse; once they cut the grain with a sickle, but it is all changed now. Twenty years ago they started to shoot handicaps and sixteen years ago the Grand American Handicaps commenced. We still stick to the handicaps. Don't you think we are a little behind the time, and have not kept up with the procession? Thirdly, I would like to see it called the World's Championship or American Championship. It is our king-pin event and who ever heard of any championship event of any kind being a handicap affair?

Now, what was wrong in Chicago in 1915, when 275 men did not finish the G. A. H. and 125 who did finish did not break 80 per cent? Something must have been wrong with that Perfect Handicap Committee. Here were 400 shooters who were undoubtedly peeved, and the handicap committee did as well as any other ever did. The time never was nor ever will be when any handicap committee will handicap 500 or more shooters justly. Eight hundred and thirty-four amateurs went to the G. A. H. in 1915. Knowing that only one could win the Big Race, how many do you think would go to St. Louis in August if they could see a programme like this: Shoot five 100-target events, each called by a special name, one of them to be the Grand Championship of America. Entrance fee, $22 each, all at 16 yards. The five high guns to receive $800 to first, $700 to second, $600 to third, $500 to fourth and $400 to fifth, making $3,000. This is reckoning, we will say, on 500 entries. It would make a purse of $10,000, and would leave $7,000 to be divided among the next hundred high guns, of equal shares of $70 each. The money added by the club and the Interstate Association could be used to buy five trophies for the five high guns. As there will be twenty-five high guns, they can afford to buy twenty-five trophies, and trophies that any one of the twenty-five lucky winners will be proud of during the rest of their lives.

As each day's program is over the five high guns who won from $400 to $800 will be spectators and they will be proud to be on hand. They will not likely quit at sixty shots or shoot through at 21 to 23 yards and feel put out at breaking only 70 to 85. They will be boosters for the game. Now, what happens if we have a 1,000 shooters? The high men get the same, as that is enough under any condition. The 100 high guns, however, would get $140 each, enough in money to pay a shooter's entrance for the whole week and railroad fare from nearly any state in this country.

With twenty-five Grand winners, one King-Pin, and 500 chances to win $140 each, how many shooters do you think would be at St. Louis? If they advertised such a program as I outlined there would be 1200 shooters in St. Louis.

Under the handicap system, some shooters have gained advantages. As I said before, it is almost impossible for the handicap committee to properly allot the handicaps. This has naturally created criticism and bad feeling and has done the game harm. Let us have the Grand Championship of America held with every man at 16 yards and the five high guns will be pleased to step aside and let others have a chance. It will not be a case of 400 out of 800 kicking and knocking about the handicaps handed out to them.

Now, a word about the State Champions, or runners-ups. It must be a grand sight to see champions of each state line up in a 100-target championship. The $50 given to each of them is a nice gift, but it does not cover the bill in every case. It is well for the shooters who live near where the Grand American Handicap is held but those far away lack about $20 for buying the railroad ticket alone. I think the champions of Oregon, Washington, Idaho, California, Arizona, Maine or Florida are just as good sportsmen as the men who live near where the G. A. H. is always held, but they are put to three or four times the expense. I suggest that some of these champions should receive $75, others $60, and grade down to $50 and $30. They should receive equal in proportion to the distance they have to travel. All the far-away champions have to give up a week more in traveling back and forth.

Another thing—by all means have a Ladies Grand Championship in 1916. They are a loyal bunch and great boosters for the target game. Several hundred are at present taking part in the "sport alluring" in different parts of the United States.

Yours,

A WESTERN TRAP SHOOTER.

MARKET HUNTERS ARRESTED.

Deputy A. J. Stout had some stirring experiences with the market hunters on the west side of the San Joaquin, where an idea seems to have become spread that game laws "don't go."

The Fish and Game Commission's special patrol to break up the illicit duck traffic resulted in eight cases being made by Deputies Newsome, Kimball and Stout, who worked together, and handled the situation to so good an end that two convictions already have been secured, and it is thought likely others will follow in cases pending as the evidence is equally positive.

These cases were mostly for violating the prohibiting the use of animals as "stalking horses" or "blinds" with which to sneak up within a big gun's range of sitting ducks.

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Several states have lengthened the season for hunting game, while other states have shortened the seasons for various reasons. Montana has lengthened the hunting season on elk and deer two weeks; Florida has added 20 days to the quail season, and Nevada four and one-half months on sage hens, one month on grouse and two weeks on quail. On the other hand, Arkansas has curtailed the deer season three months, and Oregon and Washington shortened the deer season two weeks. Minnesota trimmed 20 days from the dove season, and Oklahoma has taken six weeks from the season on quail.

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Providing it doesn't rain on Sunday, February 20, the postponed telegraphic rifle match between the Los Angeles Rifle and Revolver Club and the Nogales, Ariz., club will be held. The riflemen will shoot over the M. R. A. course, 200 and 300 yards time fire, and 300, 500 and 600 yards slow. The 10 high scores will count in the winning.

BALL PLAYERS LOVERS OF OUTDOOR SPORT.

Among those who ran dogs at the North Carolina Field Trials was Jack Dunn, the Baltimore baseball man who gained considerable prominence in field trial circles a few years ago with Ben Stone, one of the best dogs seen at that time. Dunn also is the breeder of that great bitch Kitty Gaines, one of the leaders of the present day field trial dogs. Another well known figure in baseballdom who is a familiar figure at the big trials is Roger Bresnahan, manager of last year's Chicago Cubs.

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Fred Clarke, former manager of the Pittsburgh National League Baseball Club, found his stocking full to overflowing last Christmas morning. The crowded condition of the stocking was due to a very beautiful and costly trap gun, the present of Mrs. Clarke, being forced into it.

The gun is a work of art. It is a single-barrel, 12-gauge gun for clay target shooting and is engraved extensively, the chief adornment being a figure of Mr. Clarke in a Pittsburgh uniform, with bat in hand. This is done in platinum and gold inlaid in the grip.

Clarke is an ardent devotee of the Sport Alluring, as is Mrs. Clarke, and he is now living a retired life on his ranch near Winfield, Kansas.

BIG SHOW FOR GOLDEN GATE CLUB.

Judging from the inquiries that have been received by the officers of the Golden Gate Kennel Club from dog fanciers all over the Pacific Coast regarding their coming show, it is evident that this year's exhibition will be the largest ever held by the club.

Irving C. Ackerman, president of the club, has invited Walter H. Reeves, kennel manager of the Vickery Terrier Kennels, of Barrington, Illinois, to judge all breeds. Reeves is considered to be one of the foremost judges of terriers and bulldogs in the world.

The following are a few of the California fanciers who have made known their intentions to exhibit their dogs: H. M. Robertson of Pasadena, owner of the largest boarding kennel in the South, who will bring a large string up to the show; A. J. Molera, of Monterey will send Dan Shuttleworth, his kennel manager, up with the entire kennel; Dr. T. Martin Smith will show Art Smith, his crack Boston terrier; Miss Lydia K. Hopkins of the Sherwood Hall kennels will show Pekingese and Japanese spaniels; Captain of Detectives Tennant of Seattle will send down his best Irish terriers to compete against the local fliers; Miss Vera Lindgren of Burlingame will show her famous toy poodle, Babbe; Mrs. Anita Baldwin, California's famous dog fancier, is expected with her kennel of noted prize-winners.

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Mrs. Norwood B. Smith, of the Cragwood kennels, is negotiating with St. Bernard breeders in England for two bitches. Mrs. Smith last summer imported Oakworth's O'Siris, at a large figure.

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The past week has been one of rush and bustle about the new offices of the Westminster Kennel Club, for the entries have been piling up in every mail for the fortieth annual dog show of the time-honored organization, which will be held in Madison Square Garden during the week of Washington's Borthday. Judging by the early entry William Rauch, chairman of the dog show committee, is confident that the benching will be better even than last year. In view of themany complications regarding the importation of dogs due to the wars, this state of affairs is very pleasing to the projectors of America's oldest and greatest dog show.

Among new and old exhibitors who will be represented in strength are the Rockcliffe Kennel of bulldogs, the Valley Farms' Russian wolfhounds, the cocker spaniels of H. K. Bloodgood's Mepal Kennels and the German shepherd dogs of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin H. Throop. The Vernon Castles and Thomas F. Ryan have also sent early entries of German shepherd dogs.

An unusually large entry of Airedale terriers is assured and those to come with great reputation from California and the Middle West, in conjunction with the eastern entries, are relied on by the fanciers of this large and active type of terrier to make the breed the most important in that section of the show.

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One of the sensations of the Philadelphia Boston Terrier Club's recent speciallty show was the nine-year-old Champion Chip Chase, owned by A. G. Rohr, the financial secretary of the club. This dog in his palmy days was one of the leading lights in the Boston terrier fancy in and around Philadelphia, and although at the ripe old age of nine years he was shown in remarkably good condition and seemingly as fit as ever. He won the blue in the class for champion dogs.

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Jay Gould has three German sheep dogs on his place at Saeger, Ulster County, N. Y., which he is using to hunt coon. They were obtained as an experiment and are proving that they can be adapted to this sport. One in particular is most proficient at trailing and finding ccon, and when sent in to finish the animal is a veritable terror.

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One of the first of the old guard of dog fanciers to be claimed by that grim reaper, death, during the new year is Dr. J. Lee Morrill of New York, who died at his New York home last Sunday. Dr. Morrill was the president of the French Bulldog Club of America for a number of years and was always active in the welfare of the little bat-eared bulldog for which he had such an attachment. He was well liked and respected by all who knew him and his passing will be regretted by all fanciers, and especially by those who knew him as a friend.

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Seattle announces early in March for a spring show. They hope in a few days to name their judge. Dr. Brydon, the collie fancier, was re-elected president for another year and they have added many new members.. It is to be hoped that this year they will have a spring circuit which will make it more interesting for southern exhibitors.

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Bob Armstrong of the Thistle, North Carolina, is now training dogs exclusively for John J. Graham, according to recent report. Bob contemplates bringing a great string on for the Westminster show, among them the famous trial pointers Sun Kist and Tom Platt. Every dog that he has run at this year's trials has been placed, and he has two setters, Armstrong's Daisy and Pocket Edition, with which he intends to take home some of the silverware offered at the New York show for dogs of this breed. For fear that Bob thinks he has a cinch on the merchandise Mr. Kirkover is preparing his great setter Fairy Beau, winner of five firsts at the field trials, to take some of the cups back to Buffalo.

GOVERNMENT ENCOURAGES RIFLE SHOOTING.

Washington, D. C.—Reports reaching here from all parts of the country show an awakened interest in rifle practice among civilians as a part of the program of national defense. Under a law passed by Congress two years ago ten or more civilians in any locality can organize a rifle club under War Department rules and on affiliation with the National Rifle Association of America, which co-operates with the government in promoting rifle training, receive a free issue of rifles and ammunition at the ratio of one rifle for each five club members and 120 rounds of ammunition per member per year. At present there are about 700 such rifle clubs organized in practically every State, and inquiries reach Washington by the dozens daily for information as to organizing new clubs.

The National Rifle Association is bending every effort to increase the number of clubs in the country and offers every encouragement for their formation. The organization of these clubs is regarded as a step in the direction of national defense.

It is to be hoped that quite a number of rifle clubs may be represented by teams at the national matches which have been recommended by the National Board for Promotion of Rifle Practice for Jacksonville, Fla., beginning October 20th next. Secretary of War Garrison has not yet acted on the matter but it is highly probable that he will approve holding matches this year. Riflemen throughout the country were pleased at the action of the Board in voting for annual matches instead of holding these competitions every other year. At the recent meeting of the National Rifle Association the following officers were elected for 1916:

President, Lieut. Col. Wm. Libbey, Princetown, N. J.; first vice-president, Brig. Gen. Fred B. Wood, St. Paul, Minn.; second vice-president, Brig. Gen. Chas. F. Macklin, Annapolis, Md.; third vice-president, Capt. Wm. C. Harllee, U. S. Marine Corps, Washington, D. C.; treasurer, Lieut. Col. David M. Flynn, Princeton, N. J.; secretary, Major Fred H. Phillips, Jr., Chattanooga, Tenn; additional members of executive committee, Col. S. W. Brookhart, Washington, Iowa; Lieut. Col. E. B. Bruch, New Yory City; Captain Thomas Holcomb, Jr., U. S. Marine Corps, Washington, D. C.; First Lieut. Edwar Z. Steever, 11th U. S. Infantry, representative of the Assistant Secretary of War.

Persons interested in the organization of rifle clubs may procure full information and descriptive literature by making application to Major Fred H. Phillips, Jr., Secretary of the National Rifle Association and Assistant Recorder of the National Board, at Washington, D. C.

DATA ON LONG RUN TROPHIES.

For years some coveted prizes in the trapshooting game have been the Du Pont Long Run Gold Trophies. The exceptional attractiveness of the trophies offered, which have been of a different design each year, has made them the most eagerly sought trophies in the sport of trapshooting.

A long run, it may be explained, now consists of a shooter breaking consecutively 50 or more clay targets in a registered shooting tournament. Whereas prior to 1913, the long run regulations were that an amateur must break 100 targets in as many shots, and a professional 125, to win the long run badge of expertness.

In every respect the year 1915 must be considered the greatest in the history of clay bird shooting, and the increasing number of long runs made is simply additional evidence of this fact.

The following figures are of interest in this connection (These records only cover runs made in registered tournaments and with Du Pont powders):—

In 1911—107 Long Runs of 100 straight or better were made; in 1912, 115; 1913—135 1914—128; 1915—135. In 1914 429 shooters made 1142 runs of 50 straight or better; in 1915 905 shooters made 2747 runs of 50 straight or better.

In 1914 the Du Pont Long Run Trophy regulations were amended so that shooters making runs of 50 straight or better in a registered tournament (every commendable performance by the way), were able to share in the long run trophy awards. The attractiveness of trapshooting was thus immeasurably increased for hundreds of contestants, as is indicated by the above figures, showing that in 1915 alone 905 shooters made 2747 runs of 50 straight or better.

The popularity of the new system having been so completely demonstrated, the Du Pont Company has announced that they will continue same during the year 1916. The manner of awarding the long run trophy is:

A gold watch fob for the first run of 50 or better. For succeeding runs gold bars which are attachable to the fobs are awarded on the following basis:

Run of 50 to 74—⅛-inch gold bar.
Run of 75 to 99—¼-inch gold bar.
Run of 100 and over—⅜-inch gold bar.

A Waltham 20-year gold watch is sent to an amateur shooter who makes 15 runs of 50 or more during 1915 and 1916. A professional shooter may wil a watch by making 25 runs of 50 or more during the same period. There is no limit to the number of watches which may be won during the two years.

The winners of Du Pont gold watches during 1915 were:

Eastern Amateurs—H. B. Shoop, Harrisburg, Pa.; W. S. Behm, Esterly, Pa.; Woolfolk Henderson, Louisville, Ky.; C. H. Newcomb, Philadelphia, Pa.; J. H. Noel, Nashville, Tenn.; A. B. Richardson, Dover, Del.; F. S. Wright, Buffalo, N. Y.

Western Amateurs—Jas. W. Bell, St. Louis, Mo.; J. S. Frink, Worthington, Minn.; Chas. Hummael, La Porte, Ia.; S. A. Huntley, Chicago, Ill.; W. H. Tolen, Ft. Dodge, Ia.; F. M. Troeh, Vancouver, Wash.; J. P. White, Watertown, S. D.

Professionals—Fred G. Bills, Chicago, Ill.; Lester S. German, Aberdeen, Md.; Fred Gilbert, Spirit Lake, Ia.; J. M. Hawkins, Baltimore, Md., and A. Killam, St. Iouis, Mo. (Messrs. Hawkins and Killam each won two watches during 1915, Hawkins making 50 runs of 50 or over and Killam making 56 runs during the season); C. G. Spencer St. Louis, Mo.; John R. Taylor, Newark, Ohio; C. A. Young, Springfield, Ohio.

By way of explanation: Under the conditions a shooter making 10 runs during 1915 may carry them over and by making 5 more during 1916, wins a watch, or an amateur shooter making 20 runs during 1915, wins a watch and has 5 runs to carry over to 1916 to apply on another watch.

REAPPEARANCE OF QUAIL DISEASE.

Washington, D. C.—Owing to the prevalence of quail disease among quail imported from Mexico at the ports of New York, N. Y., and Eagle Pass, Texas, during the past month, the Department of Agriculture has suspended issue of further permits for entry of these birds this season. Quail in shipments actually en route to the United States on January 20 will be admitted to quarantine, but no further entries will be authorized. Most of the States now have such stringent game laws that it is practically impossible to purchase quail even for propagating purposes in the United States and dealers have sought quail elsewhere, especially in northwestern Mexico where quail occur in abundance, but Mexican quail on arrival at destination are frequently found infected with quail disease.

So fatal is this disease that when it once appears most of the birds which are exposed to it die within a few days. In one shipment of 196 quail which recently reached New York only three birds survived the voyage, and in another of about 160 birds, more than two-thirds of the number died shortly after arrival. More than one-third of all the Mexican quail imported last year died within a few months. To guard against spread of quail disease live quail purchased for propagation should be kept under observation for two or three weeks and should not be liberated if infected with disease. The Department desires to ascertain the result of experiments which have been made in importing quail this year and will be glad to receive information as to the condition of the birds and as to how many have died in any locality where the quail have been introduced.

Before next season the Department will hold a public hearing in Washington, D. C., for the purpose of determining whether or not further permits for importation of quail from Mexico will be issued, at which various questions connected with the importation of quail will be carefully considered. Ample notice of this hearing will be given later in order that those who are interested may arrange to be present or to submit written statements.

MANILA HAS MODERN GUN CLUB.

The Manila Gun Club, known as "Sociedad de Tiro al Blanco de Manila," was organized in 1875 as a club for rifle shooting. In 1897, trapshooting was introduced, establishing two "Magau" magazine traps, and later another trap known as "Leggett" trap.

The society is cosmopolitan, with a membership of 195, which is daily increasing, composed of Filipinos in its majority and Americans, Spaniards, English, Germans, French, Swiss and other nationalities. The entrance fee is $20, and monthly dues of $2.50.

Three tournaments are held each year. In January, the Rifle Shoot, the range being 216 meters; in March the Trap Shoot, and in November the Championship of the Philippine Islands, and Grand Handicap Trap Shoot. Different prizes are awarded each year in gold medals, silver cups, etc. A new club house has just been completed.

SCHUETZEN CLUB SCORES.

J. H. Millett was high man on the honor target at the monthly shoot of the California Schuetzen Club, held on the club range Sunday at Schuetzen Park, San Rafael. Following are the principal scores of the day:

Honor target—J. H. Millett 68, John Frei 65, John S. Leutenegger 62, Captain Joseph Straub 60, Otto . Breuner 59, C. B. Morris 57, F. Muhlebach 59, Joseph Capelle 54.

Special bullseye competition—E. Helm 15, C. B. Morris 24, O. A. Bremer 24, A. Schohay 21, A. H. Pathe 24, J. Capelli 21, F. A. Pape 23, Captain Joseph Straub 22.

Medal shoot—F. F. Muhlebach 223, 221, 219, 215, 216; John Frei, 222, 212, 204; L. Wille, 218; J. H. Millett, 216, 189; O. A. Bremer, 215, 209; L. Schwarz, 213, 206, 204, 201, 207; F. Helm, 217, 215, 209; C. B. Morris, 203, 190; John S. Leutenegger, 190; Captain Joseph Straub, 169; Joseph Capelli, 167, 154, 150, 151, 145; L. Pape, 138; H. Pape, 116.

Sportsmen's Row

H. C. Golcher, who is some shooter, is anxious to try his golf club on blue rocks. He would have to do some fast putting and driving.

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Big Jack Mark wants the privilege of shooting into a barrel of blue rocks. Jack wants to break Frank Bond's record.

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Frank Newbert, president of the California Fish and Game Commission, is one of the few who can keep the lumps down even when shooting, cooking a goose stew, presenting cakes to lucky shots or when pleading the cause of preservation to legislators.

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R. E. McGill—our friend Bob—has a new scheme. Look out, you fellows in the shoot-off!

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The Golden Gate Gun Club has taken to O. N. Ford's idea for a ten-man interclub shoot for five clubs in Northern California. President Bill Price and the members will talk business with Bobbie shortly.

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Phil B. Bekeart—don't think that because you have a Junior who is some shot, we will stand for you visiting us only occasionally—Members of Golden Gate Gun Club.

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J. W. F. Moore—now that the exposition is over and the big Red W. exhibit is packed away, we hope to see your pleasant smile at the club this coming season.

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Pete Swenson, while not a record breaker, is some enthusiast at the traps. He has the pep and the winning spirit.

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Wonder what happened to all of those ducks which Don Hillman of Sacramento promised to send down to his friends in San Francisco? It is possible that they were lost in shipment? That is is the only explanation Hughie Wobber and others can account for, for they know Don is a crack shot and is a man of his word.

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The Fish and Game Commission will be enabled to keep a closer check on ducks killed this coming season. Some game hunters made a practice last season of shipping their game by parcel post and the authorities could not tell how many they were killing. It has been discovered that an act of Congress of March 4, 1909, prevents dead bodies from being accepted by the postal authorities and this will put a ban on that practice.

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O. N. Ford intends to go East after the Nevada-California shoot and take part in the Iowa state shoot, which he did not miss for ten years before coming to California. He will also participate in the Grand American Handicap in St. Louis. Ford is busting the rocks in his old-time 1906-07-08-09 form. He set the highest score ever made in California by an amateur with an average of .9505 last season.

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Dear T. W. Parson:—The club handicapper is considering the championship class for you. As a friendly tip, we would advise about four inches on the end of the barrels.

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P. H. Phinney has shown that he can pulverize the blue rocks when shooting for the first class trophy but he cannot captain a winning grub team.

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F. D. Putzar, the Babbit Metal expert, is getting to be a ninety per cent rock smasher. Concentration, eh, Putz?

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The San Francisco Flycasting Club will hold its annual mid-winter tournament at Stow Lake Washington's Birthday. The tourney will mark the opening of a season of activity on the part of the flycasters. The committee in charge of the tournament is composed of Charles Kewell, Harry Thompson and J. F. Berger.

With Frank Gotch, the world's heavyweight wrestling champion, the honored guest, several marksmen enjoyed themselves at the Vernon City Gun Club one day last week. Included in Gotch's party were Tom Marshall, F. Kester and L. B. Clarke.

Gotch made a fairly good mark as a result of his afternoon at the club. He broke 92 out of 100.

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In some sections quite a rumpus was stirred up over the report that Sacramento was going to stage another "Goose Stew." The objection was taken on the ground that the story detailed how 10,000 geese would be served for the purpose of advertising Sacramento. It was set forth in St. Louis that Californians were permitted to make this wholesale slaughter simply for advertising gain while the hunters in the East were not even permitted to kill one goose for pleasure. The stand was well taken but the drawback was that 10,000 geese were not killed and the stew was not held. The Easterners should remember that there is a closed season for geese out here, the same as for ducks, and the limit is twenty-five per day. Under those conditions it would hardly have been possible to secure 10,000 for the alleged slaughter stew."

Joe Welsh, the celebrated Pasadena Scot who taught the Scotchmen how to catch their own "throut" in Loch Leven with his light American rod and that other American institution, he automatic reel, looks for far less damage to the trout in the streams than has been feared because of the floods. He says the first thing the fish do when water rises is to run up out of harm's way.

This is undoubtedly true except of roiled, muddy floods, which gather in an hour, and half-stupefy the fish so they have not their normal wits about them, and fall easy victims. Fish cannot see in the mud any better than higher creatures.

HUGH POSTON WINS AT PORTLAND.

Hugh Poston, the San Francisco professional, showed the Portland gunners an exhibition of his skill on Sunday, January 30th, by breaking 95 out of a hundred birds. Hugh had the pleasure of seeing snow on the grounds of the Portland Gun Club but that did not affect his aim.

E. H. Keller led the amateurs with a record of 88 per cent. Miss Gladys Reid entered and made a total of 77 per cent, which was better than a number of the men could show. The scores:

						Totals
F. Templeton	15	12	16	11	12	19—85
E. H. Keller	12	12	17	13	15	19—88
P. Allen	11	14	15	..	..	..—40
H. A. Pollock	12	14	18	8	13	13—79
J. C. Morris	12	9	11	11	14	12—69
J. W. Seavey	11	10	16	14	11	20—82
Miss G. Reid	12	11	16	10	10	18—77
J. E. Reid*	12	14	17	12	15	16—86
J. F. Edmunson	11	11	18	13	12	16—81
A. W. Strowger	13	10	16	13	13	16—81
H. R. Everding	10	11	17	13	10	17—78
H. E. Poston*	15	14	19	13	14	20—95
George Bertz	7	9	9	6	11	16—58

*Professionals.

OLD BASS FISHERMAN TELLS EXPERIENCE.

Surf fishing, particularly along the Jersey coast, has gained abnormally in popularity during the last few years, and the indications are that the sport of casting from the sands for big striped bass will make comparatively bigger gains during the years to come, unless the pound net business just off the shore drives away the fish, says an Eastern daily.

Beaching a big bass is the acme of the angling art. It is interesting and instructive to watch the adept fisherman on the sands. After one has spent a day with him it is easy to absorb his enthusiasm.

To begin with, the expert surf angler is a hunter just as much as the man who chases the bunny, although he doesn't use a gun. In a word he doesn't wait for the fish to come to him; he goes after the fish. In doing this he may tramp one, two, three or any number of miles up and down the beach. But let's hear him tell it, how he lands "'em," why he lands "'em."

"Young fellow, I've been fishing these waters for years, and if there's a chance at all of hooking a bass I can come pretty near getting him every time. And it's all because I know the fish and I know his hang-out.

"Now see here"—we were standing on the beach at the time and the tide was low—"the hollows and the sloughs: those are the places where the bass feed when the tide is high. If you walk with me up and down the shore you will find many such places. You can't be expected to remember them all, but you'll have to remember some of them if you want to be a successful surf fisherman.

"For years when the tide is out, I've been coming down here and looking up such places. In various ways I've marked their locations. Then of course when the tide was in I'd know just about where the fish would likely be and I would be guided in my casting accordingly.

"Of course, I wouldn't get results with every cast. Maybe I wouldn't get a bite with every hundred casts; maybe not in a whole day. For after all the element of luck plays an important part.

"With the rising tide clams, crabs and other things that the fish like are washed over the sands near the shore or out where the breakers are. The fish watch for this food as it comes over the sands. When the tide is coming in they face south. For this reason I cast from the north toward the feeding ground, so that my bait is carried to and over the sand flats with the natural supply of food.

"When the tide begins to recede the fish will face north against the outgoing tide, and I reverse my casting. When the water is very high it is better to fish directly on the flat, casting so that the bait will fall there. About dusk is the best time for surf fishing.

"To be efficient at surf angling, of course, there are other things to learn. Principal among them is casting. This comes with practice. Your knowledge of the whereabouts of the fish is no good if you cannot get the bait to them.

"The rod for this kind of fishing should be from seven and a half to nine feet long if made with the plain, long butt and somewhat longer is made with the spring butt. It should be of split bamboo and should weight in the neighborhood of 20 ounces, the weight of course depending upon the length.

"The line should be from 150 to 200 yards long and made of twisted linen about 12 or 18 thread size. The reel should be a double multiplyer, made specially for this kind of fishing, with a throw-off to make it a free spool when casting, and it should have a handle drag or leather brake.

"To the end of the line a triangular swivel is fastened and to this a six-ounce pyramidical sinker and a short leader, a foot or little more in length, and made of six strands of braided gut. The hook is about 9-0 for striped bass.

"Shedder crab is used mainly for bait. The angler should be provided with a rod belt having a leather or rubber cup to hold the butt of the rod and a beach rod holder. It is stuck in the sand and used to hold the rod when baiting."

BEAR VALLEY IS FLOODED.

The first reliable word that has come out of Bear Valley in several weeks was brought by Caretaker R. C. Belt and H. R. Stowe to San Bernardino last week, they having "mushed" out on snowshoes over the seven to ten-foot drifts down past Clark's, and from the intake, through the Edison No. 1 power tunnel. No vestige of road or trail is left in the Santa Ana Canyon; the only thing still standing in the shape of a bridge is the concrete structure above the intake, where Bear Creek empties in.

Belt has lived in the valley for years, and says the big rain of Sunday a week ago raised Bear Lake three feet in twelve hours, when they had one foot of rain on the level. The lake is now eighteen feet over the old dam, and was then running almost to the top of the new spillways. The bottom gates had not been pulled, but there is no question but that they will have to be raised when the upper snows melt, as there is a vast depth of it above.

Fear is expressed for the Fish and Game Commission's fish trapping sets on North and Metcalf creeks, which may be found to have been carried away when egg-taking time comes next spring. This would be a pity, as the commissioners sent special parties of experts to see that everything was in readiness, so as not to lose a day of valuable time.

There are about twenty people living in Bear Valley this winter, the most in several years.

EAST TO WELCOME LOCAL FANCIERS.

H. W. Lacy, the well known editor of the American Fancier, extends a word of welcome to local dog fanciers who will make the trip East to attend the Westminster show. He was also kind enough to pay his respects to the memory of the late J. X. DeWitt and expressed pleasure in seeing the Breeder and Sportsman continue paying attention to kennel news. It was very nice of Mr. Lacy and we herewith extend our thanks. Commenting on the coming of Californians to New York, he writes:

"And the first news under the new regime is devoted to chronicling the prospect of seeing some of our old California friends at the New York show. Again we are told Mr. 'Tallac' Stettheimer will take us in and he is an ever welcome visitor and one of the very few that has had the pleasure of leading one of his own terriers out of the New York ring decorated with the Winners rosette.

"Quite a deed when one considers all that this entailed, for Mr. Stettheimer lives four thousand miles away. It would also be pleasing if Irving Ackerman could suspend his busy affairs for a jump across, if only to give us the pleasure of proving that a man's a man for a' that, though we may now and then tread on his Goo-Goos! Aweel! Another who is boosted to come is the new owner, Mr. John M. Williams, who got over Crofton Chum, a great winner on the other side and shown for exhibition only at the Panama. And now if Mrs. Baldwin will only send across her famous importations, what a time we could have in the Airedale ring when it comes to looking them Ober.

"But we would advise the Russians to stay at home, for if they were beaten on the Coast it is scarcely worth while exposing them in a New York ring, but White Knight and the Tip Tops would sure stir us up."

QUAIL AND DEER GETTING FOOD.

According to a dispatch from Nevada City, the flocks of quail that have been accustomed to gather for their daily feed at the hands of the game warden and other persons have not made their appearance during the past day or two and it is assumed by those who were caring for the birds that the rains had washed the ground sufficiently clear to permit them to forage for themselves.

The deer have apparently returned to their native haunts and those that have been seen are reported to be in sleek condition, indicating that they have not suffered for food during the snow period. They have found feeding grounds below the snow line.

AMATEUR WINS IN TEXAS TRIALS.

Houston, Tex., Feb. 8.—An amateur today won the all-age open stake of the Texas field trials over a classy field of circuit winners when Redwing, setter, owned by W. L. Sloan of Beaumont, toofi first honors. Second place went to Adam, owned by C. N. Gilbert, Nashville, Tenn., and third to another setter, Joe Muncie, owned by J. K. Smith of Muncie, Ind.

HAWAII GOES IN FOR LIGHT TACKLE.

Like the Tuna Club of California, so the Hawaii Tuna Club's object is "the highest development of the art of angling and the protection of game fish of the Hawaiian Island."

To win a club button one must comply with the following specifications:

For Swordfish and Tuna Class—Rod to be of wood, consisting of a butt and tip, and to be not shorter than 6 feet 9 inches over all. Tip not less than 5 feet in length, and to weigh not more than 24 ounces. Line not to exceed standard 24-thread.

Light Tackle Class—For dolphins, barracuda, ono, ulua, albacore, yellowtail, ocean bonito and skip-jack; rod to be of wood, consisting of butt and tip, and not to be shorter than 6 feet over all. Butt to be not over 14 inches in length. Tip not less than 5 feet in length, and to weight not more than 9 ounces. Line not to exceed standard 9-thread.

In the two foregoing specifications governing the game fish enumerated, lighter tackle can be used in each class and credit given for catches. The main object in the above specifications is to place a maximum weight on rods to be used in each particular class.

Buttons are awarded as follows:

Blue Button—Awarded to angler taking a tuna, dolphin, black sea bass, ono, ulua or other game fish of 75 pounds or over.

Red Button—Awarded to angler taking a tuna, dolphin, barracuda, ono, ulua, yellowtail, ocean bonito, skipjack, black sea bass or other game fish of 50 pounds or over.

Yellow Button—Awarded to angler taking any of the game fish mentioned in the red button class of 25 pounds or over, together with frigate mackerel of 25 pounds or over.

Gold Button—Awarded to angler taking a swordfish, tuna, ulua or other game fish of 100 pounds or over.

Rules governing fishing competitions follow:

First—Anglers must bring fish to gaff unaided. The fish must be reeled in. A broken rod, before gaffing, disqualifies the angler.

Second—An angler must fish with but one rod at a time.

Third—All catches must be officially weighed and measurements taken and recorded by the secretary. The weights officially recorded are final, unless protest in writing is made before the fish weighed is removed from the wharf or other landing place.

Fourth—Tackle must be exhibited with the fish at time of weighing.

Fifth—Fishing competitions open to members only.

The officers of the Hawaii Fishing Club follow: Gerrit P. Wilder, president; Richard Ivers, first vice-president; J. P. Cooke, second vice-president; H. Gooding Field, secretary; J. R. Galt, treasurer; J. A. Balch and J. L. Fleming, directors.

BLUE ROCK ACTIVITY IN SOUTH.

Capt. Tom Marshall, the grand old preacher of the "sport alluring," twice winner of the Grand American handicap and undoubtedly America's most popular trap shooter, was royally received by both the Los Angeles Gun Club of Venice and and the Vernon Gun Club, on Sunday.

The Los Angeles club was the first stopoff made by Marshall and L. B. Clark, who won the Grand American handicap tournament last year. They arrived at the traps at about 10:30 and found forty shooters were awaiting them.

The recent rains had left several marshes around the club grounds, and most of the shooters who came in automobiles were forced to walk. Marshall was among them. Not only was the ground around the club soggy, but all along the road it was noticed that the storm and flood had played havoc with MacAdam's street laying system.

Marshall is not only a shooter, but is a jolly good-natured fellow and an original story teller. He kept up a rapid-fire story telling between events that made Sam Smith lose his ninety-ninth bird, and that's going some.

The Marshall event held at the Venice club was a hundred bird event with silver trophies up for the high scores. Sam R. Smith astounded even himself by breaking ninety-eight out of the hundred, and was declared high gun of the day. This is quite a comeback for Smith, as he has been out of the trap shooting game for several months.

By late afternoon standing room was almost at a premiunm and the shooter was wading through discharged shells and shell cases ankle deep in front of the traps. During the day's contests 7550 targets were thrown. A supply of 4000 had been laid in, but these vanished like cookies before a hungry boy when the shooters began to drop in by dozens around noon, and a hasty trip was made to get another 1500 tarhawks. Even these lasted but a short time.

Shooting was going on from sunup to sunset. The Wilshire competition was started at 10 o'clock sharp. A second leg was won on this trophy by Lou Mellus, but only after he had a trying experience.

Mrs. C. E. Groat, wife of C. E. Groat, president of the Vernon Gun Club, broke forty-eight in the Wilshire event.

At noon the small-bore cracks, Ed Hedderly, Pete Peterson, Ed Crossman and Billy Wilshire, competed for a steel shell case. It was won by Pete, with a forty-five out of fifty score.

The scores:

100-bird event at Los Angeles Gun Club—

Sam R. Smith, shot at 100, broke 98; H. Pfirrmann 100—95, Frank Mellus 100—97, R. L. Hall 100—89, Charlie Knight 100—92, Harry Hoyt 100—90, Guy Holohan 100—76, Ed. Mitchell 100—97, L. B. Clark 100—91, Tom Marshall 100—93, C. D. Hagerman 50—45, E. D. Bond 50—40, E. O. Parker 100—77, Fred Teeple 50—42, Dr. Newton 25—22, Dr. J. S. Platt 20—10, Mrs. Heine Pfirrmann 50—29.

Fifty-target event for Wilshire trophy at the Vernon Gun Club—

Shooter—	Hdp. yds.	Bke.	Shot at
Manderville	16	38	50
Fred Grewell	18	48	50
George Oliver	16	42	50
Fullerton	17	45	50
Faneschon	18	45	50
Forest	18	43	50
J. Kunz	18	45	50
S. A. Bruner	20	47	50
Bishop	17	41	50
T. P. Smith	18	43	50
William Dougherty	17	43	50
William Pugh	18	45	50
Dr. L. M. Packard	20	45	50
Harry Cline	17	43	50
George Cline	16	35	50
Saville	16	36	50
Carpentier	16	..	..
Crossman	18	47	50
White	17	46	50
R. H. Ahrens	16	35	50
Beyrle	16	36	50
C. E. Groat	16	46	50
Mrs. C. E. Groat	16	48	50
W. E. Poor	16	33	50
Rollinson	16	39	60
W. Clement	16	..	..
George Melford	17	..	..
Dr. Fitzgerald	20	46	50
Charles Richards	16	45	50
Blanchard	19	45	50
Evans	18	48	50
Brown	16	..	..
J. C. Cline	16	45	50
Dierdorff	16	42	50

Tom Marshall event—

Manderville, shot at 125, broke 105; Fred Grewell 125—107, George Oliver 175—137, Fullerton 275—236, W. H. Wilshire 75—65, Faneschon 125—115, Forest 175—149, J. Kunz 150—138, Anderson 50—46, S. A. Bruner 100—94, Dr. Bishop 100—84, T. P. Smith 100—83, W. Dougherty 100—87, Wm. Pugh 100—87, Dr. Packard 50—45, Harry Cline 250—203, George Cline 150—109, Saville 100—73, Carpentier 50—20, Hedderly 150—93, E. C. Crossman 175—153, White 250—212, R. H. Ahrens 75—53, T. Beyrle 75—53, Mrs. Ahrens 25—7, C. E. Groat 125—110, Mrs. Groat 125—112, Poor 75—50, W. Clement 100—90, Geo. Melford 175—154, P. E. Peterson 125—106, Dr. Fitzgerald 300—279, C. Richards 125—103, Blanchard 175—157, Evans 75—69, Brown 75—47, Meenzhuber 75—60, Rollinson 75—54, J. C. Cline 100—84, Lou Mellus 200—187, Mrs. Olsen 20—8, Dierdorff 76—67, Meeks 175—115, Yocum 25—20, Elkins 50—40, Cooper 50—37, Harry Hoyt 100—86, H. Pfirrmann 276—168, Barto 100—87, Schonlaw 25—14, Mrs. Schonlaw 25—4, Capt. Tom Marshall 100—90, L. B. Clark 125—119, Frank Mellus 200—180, T. Sloan 100—84, Tuckett 125—102, Ed. Mitchell 150—145, H. Adams 50—43, Aldritch 100—70, Mrs. Heine Pfirrmann 50—34, Sam Smith 100—96, Newton 50—39, Moore 75—48, Jimmy Hoblit 75—60, Dr. Platt 25—13, Sheriden 25—22, Chenoweth 50—36, Brady 50—40, Sheckley 50—43, Mustizer 25—17, A. W. Bruner 25J20.

SHOOTING GROUNDS IN GOLDEN GATE PARK.

How about a trap shooting grounds in Golden Gate Park? They have fly-casting quarters located at Stow Lake, a three-quarter mile race track for the matinee trotters and pacers to perform, cycling track, big athletic stadium, baseball grounds, tennis courts, and why not provide for the "sport alluring," which has been gaining wonderfully in popularity in recent years?

At the present time the Golden Gate Gun Club is without a grounds. Their favorite spot in West Alameda has been dredged out of existence and the members have been hustling around to find a new place. Sites have proven hard to find. President W. H. Price called a meeting of the members in Secretary Ted Riley's office on Thursday night and a committee was appointed to take up the matter of finding new grounds. All the members appeared enthusiastic for prospects of a prosperous and enjoyable season once the traps are placed.

The idea of a trap shooting grounds in the Park has made a hit with the marksmen. Of course, it will be necessary to secure the permission of the Park Commissioners and some opposition may arise on the score of the noise that would be made and permitting guns in the park. Still, New York and Chicago have donated part of their parking system for the use of the blue rock shooters. The argument is set forth that shooting should be encouraged. The U. S. War Department is anxious to see as many gun clubs as possible in the field for it is a move in the direction of preparedness. In case of a war these shooters would not have to be drilled in the art and science of sighting a gun. They would be ready on a minute's notice to go in the trenches.

Plenty of places are available in Golden Gate Park. There is a stretch of land from Stow Lake out to the beach that could be used. There might be some objection because of the wind but the gunners could likely locate some sheltered spot. Shell Mound Park has offered to fit up a trap shooting grounds but there may be the same complaint there—too much wind. Sites down the peninsular have also been proposed but the Golden Gaters will have a tough time finding as suitable a place as they had in Alameda.

Owing to the troubles of the club in securing grounds, Howard Sales suggests that the name be changed from Golden Gate to Hard Luck Club.

Bill Price says that to the casual visitor, the spick and span appearance of the Golden Gate Club's grounds are well worth shooting—with a kodak.

Secretary T. D. Riley is still packing his usual smile—wonder if it will wear off when he sees the grounds in their present condition?

The newly organized Alameda Elks Club is figuring on shooting at the new grounds to be located by the G. G. G. C.

The Bay View Club, secretary Percy Fox, is planning to be active this season. Regular shoots will be held the first Sunday in every month.

The Family Club is getting its traps in tip-top shape to put on some events shortly.

Frank Webster is keeping up the interest in the San Leandro trap shooting organization.

Fred Burnham is getting the Martinez club grounds in condition and the fun will start pretty soon. Other clubs are lining up to bust the rocks.

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The Arden Gun Club is contemplating organizing a blue rock club, so it is reported. Tony Korbel has been nominated to be president of the new body.

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Editor, Breeder and Sportsman:

Will you kindly publish in your valuable paper the following: At the regular annual meeting of the Gustine Gun Club, the following officers were elected for the coming season:

President, C. E. Miles; vice-president, W. E. Netherton; secretary-treasurer, R. W. Nagle; executive committee, J. T. Hazelwood, A. Anderson and C. Van Horn.

Thanking you in advance for this favor, I am

R. W. NAGLE,
Secretary Gustine Gun Club,
Gustine, California.

SALT BEING FED TO DEER.

An experiment of feeding salt to deer in Trinity Forest has proven quite successful, according to a report submitted by forest rangers to the Fish and Game Commission. Salt bricks were generously donated by a San Francisco salt firm and placed at convenient deer crossings. At first the deer appeared afraid of the salt bricks and fought shy of them. A record kept by the rangers, however, showed that eventually the deer licked the bars.

Deer in other sections of the State have been reported salt hungry. It is probable that the Commission will take up the case of furnishing the game with salt now that the experiment has been so successful.

It is reported that 800 deer were killed in Trinity Forest last season. The rangers regret to complain and protest against the practice of some hunters in killing the game simply to say they brought down a deer or to take the horns for trophies. They think it would be a wise move to try and have the game laws of the State of Wyoming copied, which are to the effect that no deer or elk meat can be left in the woods.

Ranger C. O. Brenner of the Descanso District in the Cleveland Forest reports that he believes the scarcity of deer in his district is due to the fact that the forest is accessible to automobiles and the boundary line between Mexico and this country are fenced, which prevents deer from entering this country.

MACKEREL RUNNING AT REDONDO.

Redondo, Feb. 7.—Larke mackerel are running at pier No. 2. The best fishing time for mackerel is in the morning, about 7 o'clock, or at sundown. Halibut and bass are also biting well this week. The swarms of anchovies that were here recently have left.

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Fish and Game Commissioner M. J. Connell has recognized meritorious service in confirming the appointment of County Game Warden John J. J. Barnett to a deputy's berth on the State patrol force, dividing his salary with the county of Ventura, wherein Barnett has done good work. Barnett played second base for the St. Louis National League club up to 1912, and is a big, clear-eyed, straightforward fellow who can put 200 pounds behind the arm of the law should it be necessary. He has been a hunter and fisher all his life and is well versed in every way of the wild.

PIGEON SHOOT AT MARICOPA.

For the March entertainment of the members of the Maricopa Club the entertainment committee, composed of C. L. Hutchison, H. Peterson and L. L. Coleman, have made plans to hold a live pigeon shoot in the vicinity of Maricopa at a place and on a date to be selected later. The shoot will be the first one of its kind held in Kern county for many years and will be a big drawing card for workmen and shot gun experts from all over the central part of the state.

As a special feature, a grand prize will be offered for the best marksman and other attractive prizes will be given for various other events which are to be held. The shoot will be conducted by the entertainment committee and other members of the club and will be a public affair.

For the April entertainment of the members an automobile trip into the Carissa plains country will be featured with a barbecue at the Painted Rocks for the noonday meal. The trip to the Painted Rocks in the Carissa is one never to be forgotten as the wild beauty of the country and the picturesque rocks with the art of the old California Indians inscribed upon them are of interest to all who visit that part. The trip will be one of several interesting ones to be taken later by the members of the club and their families.

THE FARM

HOW A GREAT HOLSTEIN COW WAS FED.

For the benefit of those subscribers and readers who appreciate the information we give below some paragraphs concerning the care and feeding of Duchess Skylark Ormsby, the Holstein-Friesian cow belonging to John B. Irwin, of Minneapolis, Minn., who a few months ago established the record of producinf 27,761.07 pounds of milk and 1205.09 pounds of butterfat in twelve consecutive months, her caretaker and feeder being Axel Hansen, who wrote in part as follows, in Kimball's Dairy Farmer:

"The feeding of Duchess Skylark Ormsby began three months before her last calving. By this, I mean to say that she was dried off and gotten into condition. She was by means fat when she freshened; however, she was in the pink of physical condition, which I favor more than being so overly fat. She was fed a ration at this time that had the following favorable characteristics: It was bulky, light, cooling, and laxative, consisting chiefly of bran, ground oats, brewers' grains, and linseed meal. Corn silage, alfalfa hay and roots constituted her roughage. She was fed all the grain she would eat up clean. This was continued till 10 days before she freshened, then her ration consisted of bran, two parts; oats, two parts; oil meal, one part—and the quantity was cut down to 10 to 12 pounds per day and later to 6 to 8 pounds so as to cool out her system before calving.

"On November 4, 1914, she dropped a male calf. She was imediately given a pailful of lukewarm water, and about an hour later was fed a warm bran mash and a woolen blanket was put on her to protest her from cold air and any possible drafts. The calf was left with her for two days so as to get the colostrum milk, which is very beneficial to new-born calves. During the next two days her ration consisted of bran, oats, and oil meal, same proportion as prior to calving, and she was fed 10 to 12 pounds in four feeds and 20 pounds silage, 25 pounds roots, 10 pounds alfalfa hay. She was given lukewarm water to drink for several days. On the third day the calf was removed and a little hominy and gluten was added to her grain ration and about five pounds silage was added to her roughage, making a total of 25 pounds. A daily increase of her grain ration, at a rate of two pounds per day, soon indicated that Duchess was not going to consume 35 to 40 pounds grain per day for she objected to 25 pounds per day so we slacked up to 22 pounds and this seemed to be her limit.

"She was taking 25 pounds of silage, 30 pounds of roots, and 15 pounds of alfalfa hay in the way of roughage. At the end of the first month she was consuming 22 pounds of grain, consisting of bran, oats, hominy, brewers' grains, gluten, linseed meal, and distillers' grains, at a ration of 1-4-5. This seemed to be her favorite mixture with slight changes from time to time, according to her likes and dislikes.

"As soon as the fields would allow it in the spring, soling crops were put in to be fed during the hot summer months, and to take the place of silage and roots in the winter. Three parts of oats and Canadian field peas were sown at from 10 to 12-day intervals so that the second seeding would be ready to be fed when the first was gone and the third seeding to follow the second in the same manner.

"When spring and warmer weather approached, her ration was changed to a more bulky and cooling ration, and the oats and peas were cut and fed as soon as 10 inches high. During the months of June, July and August she consumed from 16 to 20 pounds of grain, about 150 pounds of soiling crops, and 15 pounds alfalfa hay per day. After the oats and peas were all fed, or too ripe to be of any value as green feed, sweet corn and later ordinary field corn were used for succulence and bulk in her ration. After the potato crop was harvester, a second crop of corn was planted which furnished an abundance of splendid green feed until the frost came this fall, then roots and silage were used to replace the green feed and to fill the need of succulent and palatable roughage, and her ration was changed back to feeds of a more heating nature than she was getting during the hot weather.

"Duchess was kept in the barn during the entire year. She was taken out for half an hour exercise when the weather would permit it during the winter and was taken out every day during the summer, usually in the evening between 6 and 8. Her stall (box stall) was kept dark and cool by means o felectric fans, and a flynet was kept on her to prevent flies from annoying her. She was groomed at least once a day during the entire year and milked four times a day."

DAIRIES SHOULD PASTEURIZE MILK TO SAVE PEOULE FROM TYPHOID.

"Pasteurize milk and prevent typhoid."

This is declared the lesson of a recent outbreak of typhoid fever at Richmond, now proved to have been caused by typhoid bacilli in milk. Milk from the same dairy, drunk in Berkeley by a dozen times as many people, caused not a single case of typhoid because it had been pasteurized, by heating it to 145 degrees for thirty minutes.

The story of this triumphant proof that raw milk ought to be pasteurized before itis sold, save when thorough medical examination of the dairy employes can be required at frequent intervals, is told in a paper just published by Dr. J. C. Geiger, Assistant Director, and Dr. F. S. Kelly, Bacteriologist of the Bureau of Communicable Diseases maintained at the University of California by the State oBard of Health.

When typhoid was reported at Richmond, Dr. Geiger and Dr. Kelly discovered that all twelve patients had used milk from a large dairy near Richmond. They found that just before the Richmond outbreak a milker had been sent from this dairy to a Berkeley hospital suffering from typhoid. Undoubtedly he was the source of infection in this milk, for the epidemic at once ceased.

But if Richmond had twelve cases, the scientists asked, why did not Berkeley, when more than six thousand people drank this same milk, show a similar outbreak? On investigation they found that pasteurization had saved the day. The dairy substation at Richmond had been distributing the milk without pasteurizing it, while this same milk when sent to Berkeley for distribution was there carefully pasteurized, by heating. Thus while the taste of the milk was not changed, any possible danger was prevented, that disease might be spread in a case where a milker was suffering from typhoid, diphtheria, sore throat, colds, intestinal troubles, or any other of a large number of diseases which can be carried in unpasteurized milk. Such germs are destroyed by pasteurization.

Next fall a state law is to go into effect which will require all milk sold in California to be pasteurized unless it comes from a certified dairy. This milk-borne epidemic in which cases of typhoid were caused in one town and not a single case in a community close by, which used a dozen times as much of the same milk, is pointed to by the scientists as convincing proof of the great wisdom of the new law requiring pasteurization of milk and the immense value it promises to the community in preventing the spread of typhoid, tuberculosis, intestinal troubles, and a host of other preventable ailments of mankind.

Everywhere farmers not only ought to attend to the proper and safe disposal of the bodies of their own animals which infortunately die, but they should insist on the proper disposal of the bodies of all animals which die anywhere in the regions in which their farms are located.





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Dead animals on the farm should be buried deep enough to prevent them from being dug up again, or they should be burned. To burn large carcasses like those of dead horses and cattle is difficult and laborious and requires a large quantity of fuel. In most instances it is more economical to bury them. All animals which have died of infectious diseases and are buried should be covered with a heavy layer of lime before the graves are closed.

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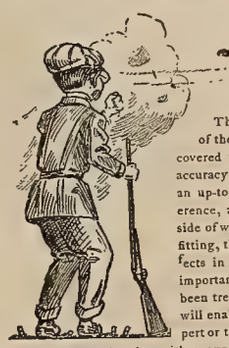
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MR. SMITH'S RACING MEASURE.

Some time ago word reached this office that the horsemen of Southern California were preparing an amendment to the present laws concerning horse racing, the purpose of the same being the establishment of a racing commission and the pari-mutual system of speculation, and last week we received from Ed. R. Smith of Ocean Park a letter reading as follows: "Enclosed please find copy of the proposed amendments to the California Racing Law that are now in the Attorney General's hands for him to write a title and summary to the bill before getting out the initiative petition to circulate and get the necessary 74,136 signatures in order to get the bill on the ballot. This bill has been prepared by myself and the breeders of horses in this section and we have endeavored to place a bill before the people which we think should meet with the hearty support of all classes of breeders of horses in this state. As soon as the Attorney General sends me the necessary title, etc., I will visit all sections of the state and try to interest horsemen and their friends in the same. I hope the bill will meet with your approval and that you will give it publicity as soon as possible."

As our columns are open at all times to the furtherance and discussion of every proposition that has as its object the welfare of the industry of breeding and racing horses, we take pleasure in according Mr. Smith's measure the publicity requested, the draft of the same furnished us being couched in the following terms:

Section 1. Any corporation or association formed for the purpose of raising, breeding, or improving the breed of horses, and conducting races, shall have the power and right, subject to the provision of this act, to hold one or more race meetings each year and conduct races at such meetings. Any corporation, or the owners of horses engaged in such races or others who are not participants in such races, may contribute purses, prizes, premiums, or stakes, to be contested for, but no person or persons other than the owners of a horse or horses contesting in such races shall have any pecuniary interests in a purse, prize, premium or stake, or to receive any portion thereof after such race has been finished.

Section 2. A State Racing Commission is hereby established to consist of five persons to be appointed by the governor, three of whom shall be breeders and raisers of registered horses and no two of whom shall be members of the same racing association. The members of such commission shall hold their offices for a term of four years and the first commission shall be appointed within twenty (20) days after this Act shall go into effect.

Section 3. Such Commission shall appoint a secretary who shall serve during its pleasure, whose duties it shall be to keep a full and faithful record of the proceedings and preserve at its general office all books, maps, documents, and papers entrusted to his care, and perform such other duties as the Commission shall prescribe. He shall be paid a salary to be fixed by the Commission at a rate not to exceed twelve hundred dollars per annum, which shall be paid from the moneys received from the several corporations or associations. The Commission shall biennially make a full report to the Governor of its proceedings for the two year period ending with the first of December, preceding the meeting of the Legislature, and shall embody such suggestions and recommendations as it shall deem desirable.

Section 5. No licenses shall be issued for more than fifteen day racing in any one county for calendar. No one association or corporation shall hold race meetings to exceed in the aggregate fifteen days, within the boundaries of this state during any calendar year.

Section 6. Any state, county, or agricultural fair and all corporations which obtain licenses to conduct race meetings will be permitted to use the pari-mutual system of wagering at their respective meetings under the direct control, suprvision and rules and regulations of the Racing Commission.

Section 7. The provisions of this Act relative to securing licenses, or to the payment to said Racing Commission of proportionate moneys to pay the expenses of conducting such Commission, shall not apply to race meetings conducted by any state, county, or agricultural fair.

Section 8. The Commission shall at all times use its best endeavor towards the building up of the horse interests of this state, and should there be any funds left in its hands, after paying all necessary expenses of such Commission, such funds shall be used by such Commission and the Governor as they see fit towards the giving of purses, prizes, premiums, or stakes for all classes of California bred registered horses, and to the further advancement of the horse interests of this state.

Section 9. Every race meeting at which racing shall be permitted for any stake, purse, or reward, except as allowed by this Act, is hereby declared to be a public nuisance and every person acting or aiding therein is punishable by imprisonment in the county jail or state prison for a period of not less than thirty days and not exceeding one year, and in addition thereto, in a suit brought for that purpose by the said Racing Commission in the superior court, when it may be proposed to conduct such unauthorized racing an injunction may be obtained against the same.

Section 10. (Present Racing Bill to follow.)

Mr. Smith stated in a postscript that the typewritten draft of the bill originally intended for us had been left at his home by mistake, so that the manuscript eventually furnished had been prepared by him hastily, so there is a probability that there may be some slight errors or omissions in the above text that are not manifest in the original. For example, it is very probable that Section Seven should close with the words "at which no form of speculation is permitted," or a phrase to that effect. The bill as drawn, while sound at the bottom and along the proper lines for the most part, is open to a good deal of discussion on certain points, one in particular being the limitation of racing in any one county or under the auspices of any one association to fifteen days. The fifteen day proposition will not meet with the support of the thoroughbred contingent and in instances would work a hardship upon either the harness horses or the runners. In case of the establishment of a legal system of speculation the city of Oakland would be in line for a race meeting, to run as long as possible under the law. At the same time the Pleasanton folks would wish to hold at least one harness meeting a year with betting. On a fifteen day limit Oakland would gobble the works for the runners, leaving the trotters in Alameda county out in the cold, while on an allowance of thirty days an equitable arrangement could be made for all parties. We are not advancing any argument for long meetings, but we do not wish to see the mistake made of going too far the other way.

The question also arises as to the wisdom of submitting this sort of a proposition to the voters at large. This was done some few years ago and the measure then up for consideration met with overwhelming defeat ,being turned down so decisively that the vote is still being used as an argument against the enactment of legislation establishing the mutuals as a legal system of speculation. While it is true that the feeling in favor of the mutuals is much more pronounced at this time than was the case when the last vote was taken, we doubt very much if the measure can carry at a general election—and a second defeat at the polls would sound the death knell of the pari-mutual for some time to come, such a course practically precluding any favorable legislation which the assembly might feel inclined to enact. A safer course lies in a concerted movement on the part of all classes of horse breeders through the assembly and governor, an idea that is advanced not merely as our own but that of numerous horsemen with whom we have talked the situation over in recent months.

Please do not get the idea that we are not for the pari-mutual, or that we are in any way endeavoring to belittle the conscientious work done by Mr. Smith and his friends. We are for the mutual first, last and all the time as an established means of speculative investment on the contests of both the thoroughbred and the trotter, and it is because we are so thoroughly in favor of them and so steadfastly in hope that California may have them that we wish to see the campaign waged on the lines that offer the best chances for success. We do not expect everyone to agree with us in our preference for an assembly measure in preference to an initiative bill, but we do know that our opinion is shared by a number of hardheaded horsemen who have been up against the proposition before.

THE CHAMPION STALLION CUP.

One year ago the American Trotting Register Association donated to the Panama-Pacific International Exposition a number of sterling silver cups, to be competed for by standard and registered trotting bred horses. The one for the Champion Stallion class, that cost $200, was not competed for and in consequence was returned. This cup stands twenty-four inches high, and on the face has a fac-simile etching of the great stallion Bingen 2:06¼.

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the American Trotting Association, held at their office in Chicago, on February 2, 1916, the following resolution was adopted:

"Whereas, The Champion Stallion Cup, given by the American Trotting Register Association, to the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, to be by it awarded for Standard and Registered Trotting Bred Horses, was not competed for, and

"Whereas, It is the desire of the American Trotting Register Association that this Cup shall be competed for and awarded, it is hereby

"Resolved, That each State Fair Association in the United States of America be asked to make a class for Trotting Bred Stallions, each to be shown wih five (5) tof his Get, and that this Cup be given to the Association having the greatest number of exhibitors, in that class, to be by it awarded to that stallion which shall be decided to be the best in that class."



Each State Fair should add to its Prize List a class for this Cup, under the conditions of the resolution; the following conditions also to govern:

There must be two (2) or more Stallions, wih five (5) of his Get, four years old and under, entered. The following percentages to govern in Stallion and his Get:

General conformation and all around suitability of Sire as a Light Harness Horse, 30%. Style, action, manners and speed of Sire, 20%. General conformation and all around suitability of Get as Light Harness Horses, taken as a whole, 30%. Style, action, manners, speed and uniformity of type in Get, 20%.

It will be recalled that the standard bred classes at the exposition horse show were very slim affairs, owing largely to the fact that they were not advertised to any extent among horsebreeders, and partially on account of of the absence of a good many people at the races elsewhere who might have been exhibitors had such a course been a matter of more convenience. The California State Fair will undoubtedly follow the suggestion of Secretary Knight and his associates and incorporate such a class into their regular program, and with a bit of enterprise on the part of our breeders it could be made one of the principal attractions of the big eight day show. This cup got away from western horsemen once, and now that they are given another shot at it they should make an extraordinary effort to see that it comes west again, this time to stay.

Moody's Views on Training Yearlings

H. T. WHITE, IN THE AMERICAN HORSE BREEDER

A couple of weeks ago there appeared under my signature some facts about the stallions that had sired two or more 2:30 or better yearling trotters apiece, and incidentally there was an expression of my own views—based on a rather close study of yearling trotters and the men who have trained the most prominent ones.

The critic (or, possibly, reviewer is a better word) of any art, profession or trade is supposed to air his own views in addition to printing the news of the little world whose chronicler he is, and hence is subject to—and invariably receives—a considerable amount of caustic comment regarding his pronouncements concerning matters in which he is not a personal participant. I have had my share of the verbal and written hand grenades used in that sort of warfare, and have been called a parrot, a warmer-over of other men's ideas, and a person of almost unlimited ignorance concerning horses in general, and the light harness horse of America in particular.

I was interested, but not crushed or daunted, in the matter of training yearling trotters—the whole subject being one of vital interest to breeders and horsemen—I realized that, while my views might be to some extent entertaining, they were in no wise authoritative, nor did they pretend to be. Hence, I decided to ask the opinion of an authority on colt training as to their merit or otherwise.

It will hardly be questioned that Hunter C. Moody, of Lexington, Ky., is king of all the trainers of yearling trotters, for the records amply prove such to be the case. He has had champions at that age in greater numbers than any other man, and his showing, both as to champion yearlings and others of less calibre, is such that his position is secure. Therefore, Mr. Moody was the man I selected as the authority from whom, if possible, there should be secured, first, an opinion as to the merits of the Breeder article from the standpoint of a practical horseman, and, secondly, some further ideas from the same authority on the general subject of colt training.

It may be well to state that my acquaintance with Mr. Moody is of a merely casual character. I never have visited his stable, never have spoken to him more than to greet and salute, so I knew in advance that his opinion would not be a matter of friendship, and from his general makeup I was quite positive he would not hesitate to disagree with anybody should he consider that course to be the right one. I, therefore, wrote Mr. Moody, asked him to read the Breeder article, and to tell me just what he thought of it. Also I solicited any comments he might have to make, explaining that I wanted them for publication, and added that his words would be read with interest by every man interested in horses.

Here is Mr. Moody's answer, and I venture to say no such valuable document on the subject of colt training ever has been given to the public.

Lexington, Ky., January 27, 1915.

Mr. H. T. White.

Dear Sir: In reply to your favor of the 21st, I beg to say that I have read with a great deal of pleasure your article from the "American Horse Breeder" of January 19, and I want to congratulate you upon the fact that you are the first newspaper writer I have ever read that had the proper view of training yearlings to take standard records.

The most pertinent point in the entire article is the last paragraph, wherein you state that unquestionably a large number of yearlings are permanently injured by being trained at that age, and that you did not charge the same to what you term "expert colt handlers." I believe this is the key to the entire situation, and that there has more grief come to youngsters in the hands of men who have never made a study of this branch of the business than ever came to them through any effort that might have been made at the hands of men who have given the greater portion of their lives to the study of kindergarten work.

Every season I see any number of yearlings that are being trained "conservatively." This means that they are jogged along by the side of horses that possess 2:10 or 2:15 speed for some three or four miles while their drivers engage in pleasant conversation. The yearling in the meantime is struggling to keep up, as the horses possibly are jogging about as fast as the colt could trot.

They also believe it is necessary to give them as much training as they would an older horse. The real colt trainer gives little or no jog work, and tries to keep his pupils believing that every move is that of play and fun, instilling in them the idea always that they are out for a lark rather than that of drudgery. The old saying that any horse is well bred enough now to produce trotters might be also applied to the fact that any colt is well enough bred, no matter from what family it may come, to trot in 2:30 as a yearling, everything else being equal. "Speed is born with the foal," and this is the fundamental and necessary quality in order to have a good colt trotter. This does not necessarily mean that they show a lot of trot naturally, for some of the grandest yearlings I have ever trained absolutely had no fixed gait to begin with—in fact, I never trained a yearling to beat 2:30 that was not double-gaited to a greater or lesser extent, and some of the fastest ones I ever trained possessed no gait at all, and it was a considerable time before they ever struck a trot; but they had that undefined something that seems to tell us they possessed great speed.

On many occasions I have been asked as to what is the most necessary qualification in a 2:30 yearling, and I usually refer my questioners to the famous recipe: "First, get the rabbit." Aside from natural speed, I believe that the most essential thing is the ability of the driver to instill in the colt the proper trying qualities; to instill in him that nervous energy that is necessary to great flights of speed, and, at the same time, prevent him from becoming speed crazy. But what is equally important is the nicety of balance, both as to legs and mouth. To perfect the gait of the trotting yearling in order that he may go extremely fast over a distance of ground, his balance should be as perfect as that of a flywheel of a split-second watch. And I sometimes think that the difference between success and failure with a great number of men is the lack of one or both of these latter qualifications.

The pen pictures that a great many writers have drawn of a record yearling are far from the fact. They picture them as a lot of thin, miserable looking, over-trained colts with gouty legs and a haunted expression of the eye; that they have neither life nor ambition; that they are mistreated and are absolutely without friends. To people who have seen these colts and seen them play ten minutes after going a fast mile, see them in high flesh, with clean legs and bright eyes, better developed and larger in every way than those that have been allowed to run in pasture, it is laughable to know the average man's ideas of the looks and condition of a colt that has been taught to carry his speed at anything like a sensational clip.

I have never had any preference as to families so far as early speed is concerned, for, even if they come from sire lines that had no early speed representatives, it is usually found through their dams that there were colt trotting crosses close enough up to lend you encouragement in the enterprise. If nature has endowed a yearling with speed and has also given him the other qualifications necessary, which are good, flat, bony legs, a good appetite, and a brain that is subject to development, I care not from what families he comes—and, after all, it is a matter of brain. The majority of colts I have trained that became anything like famous in their yearling form required a considerable amount of weight to start them, but, as soon as their brain became sufficiently developed, you could lose weight as rapidly as you put it on, and, without exception, these colts have gone extremely light in their flights against Father Time.

Every year we train any number of colts that are not given records, but that show extreme speed—in fact, all of our colts are trained according to the views and ideas of their respective owners. These colts are brushed fast quarters or fast halves, as the owner may elect, and are never given miles under any conditions. In comparing these colts with others that are given records, I do not see that they stay any sounder, or in any better flesh, or have any better heads, or make any better horses than those that are given records, whether championship or not.

The great question is frequently asked: "What has become of the record yearlings?"

Up to the fall of 1914 there were seventy-seven yearling trotters with records from 2:15¾ to 2:30. Of course, those that made records in 1915 could not have had an opportunity to have reduced their yearling marks. Of this seventy-seven, fifty-six have reduced their records to 2:02 and up; thirteen of the same have beaten 2:10, while twenty-two have beaten 2:16; and among them you will find numerous stake winners and contenders in the various futurities, as well as world's champions.

The first yearling (Freedom 2:29¾) beat 2:30 in 1890, just twenty-five years ago. In that length of time the average number of yearlings paid up in the Kentucky Futurity is approximately 750, or about 18,750 colts have been nominated in this one stake alone. People who are continually asking what has become of our record yearlings want to compare the remaining 18,673 with our record yearlings, and yet it is conceded that this is not one-fifth of the total number of colts bred in this period, which would give us something like 93,750 trotting-bred foals that they want to compare with the small number of seventy-seven that have secured records of 2:30 or better up to the fall of 1914.

In physical development of any kind it all depends on what the natural capacity of the pupil may be; as to how much nature has done for him in endowing him with perfect physical construction; a good stomach, and a good brain that is subject to development. Also with a temperament that has just the right quantity of fire and vigor, and, at the same time, one that can be properly controlled when proper methods are used. It makes no difference how far you are trying to teach your pupil to go—whether quarters or halves—if you overdo it in any way you have the same disastrous results, and this applies to horses or colts of any age as well as to yearlings.

In looking back over the last score of years, I can recall many wonderful colts that were only taught to go quarters that were over-trained to their future detriment from the very fact that "it is the clip that kills." It is also a fact that a great many people do not believe it is necessary to have a colt conditioned in order to go a fast quarter after a let-up. In other words, their theory has been to have a colt in a paddock for ten days or two weeks, and, the first day he is up, just as near ready to go a sensational quarter as he would be if he had been given the proper work before he was allowed to extend himself. However, this has become an exploded theory to me, and I have given the business close attention.

To sum up the matter of training yearlings, whether for records or fast fractions of a mile, one of the main things is to employ the same kind of judgment and common sense that would be employed in attempting to go fast with a horse of any age. To be sure that he is normal; that his condition is equal to the task you are asking of him; that he is properly shod and balanced; that his mouth is absolutely flexible and true; and then give him a driver that is possessed of that nervous force that is necessary to instill the best efforts into his pupil, one that is absolutely light handed, with a good day and a good track, and, no matter from what family he may come, if he has been endowed with that speed germ and this has been properly developed, you may expect unusual things from this combination.

Another thing the public expects is that a yearling shall be immune from accidents of all kinds, from sickness, and also expects a guarantee that he will not fall into bad hands or have any bad luck of any kind as soon as he secures a record of 2:30 or better. They expect other horses and other colts in the natural run of things to have all kinds of trouble, but if a yearling has a record of 2:30 and goes wrong in his front legs as a five-year-old, the first thing they will say is: "I expected that, because he was worked to death as a yearling." The large number of aged horses that go wrong each year makes no impression upon the public, but, as soon as a horse that was trained as a yearling goes wrong, a howl goes up that he was knocked out at a tender age.

Yours truly,
HUNTER C. MOODY.

A NATIVE SON IN MISSOURI.

In a brief communication Otto Grigg, the trainer at the Carthage, Mo., track, states that he has purchased the trotting stallion R. Ambush 2:09¼, at that place and that the son of Zolock p. 2:05¼, and May Kinney, by Silkwood 2:07, would be placed in public service at the Carthage fair grounds the coming season.

It will be recalled that the firm of Tangner & Brosius, which conducted a large business at Carthage, purchased R. Ambush from the California owners about five years ago. This firm became heavily involved and just recently dissolved and closed out. The price was not mentioned, but it naturally would be expected that Ambush brought a great bargain, as it was not known likely outside of the county in which he was sold that he was to be sold. However, no matter how good a bargain the new owner secured it does not lessen the real value of Ambush as a sire. When Ambush was first brought to Carthage he was patronized in public service, despite the fact that his fee was $50, a fact that kept many an owner of a standard bred mare from breeding to him. But in more recent years he had not been advertised in public service very much, if any, and was being overlooked by the breeders of that section. Grigg expects to reduce his service fee and will do a good business, as he is a sire that is well worthy of consideration and gets a good class of colts. Few better halfmile track trotters ever campaigned through the southwest than R. Ambush.—Spirit of he West.

GREAT WESTERN CIRCUIT DATES.

At the meeting of the stewards of the Great Western Circuit early this week at Chicago the plans were laid for a season to extend from the middle of July to the first week in November, during which time a sum aggregating a quarter of a million dollars will be raced for by the patrons of the circuit, dates for the various meetings being allotted as follows:

North Randall, Ohio	Week of July 17
Detroit, Michigan	Week of July 24
Peoria, Illinois	Week of July 31
Galesburg, Illinois	Week of August 7
Burlington, Iowa	Week of August 14
Omaha, Nebraska	Week of August 21
Des Moines, Iowa	Week of August 28
Hamline, Minnesota	Week of September 4
Milwaukee, Wisconsin	Week of September 11
Springfield, Illinois	Week of September 18
Sedalia, Missouri	Week of September 25
Albuquerque, N. Mexico,	Week of October 23
Phoenix, Arizona	Week of October 30

Winter "Horse Talk" from Towns Where Trotter is Popular

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS FROM SONOMA, PETALUMA, SACRAMENTO

Sonoma, Feb. 12, 1916.

On February eighth, the Sonoma Valley Driving Club, which is pleasantly remembered by all followers of the sport of light harness racing for the many successful meetings, large and small, held by it in the past, held its thirteenth annual meeting and elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, S. B. Lewis; Secretary, E. Lindley; Treasurer, Joseph F. Ryan. The club faces the new season in excellent condition, and its active plans for the coming summer include the inauguration of a three-cornered circuit for the holding of race meetings at least every two weeks, the tracks included in this arrangement being the most excellent one here in Sonoma, Kenilworth Park at Petaluma, and the famous mile course at Santa Rosa, accepted as being at once one of the fastest and safest pieces of dirt in the entire state. Preparations are now under way among the local horsemen and those of neighboring towns for a celebration and race meeting here on July Fourth, with indications of good fields and some very enjoyable sport.

Horsemen are now jogging their horses on the roads surrounding this city but in a short time the track will be in perfect shape for spring training and then work will commence in earnest. Joe Ryan, as usual, has about the largest stable here, and between the hard work of Joe and myself we hope to have a few in shape to race not only around home on the "triangle circuit" but out on the California fair circuit as well. Among them is a big, well developed pacing gelding by Guy Dillon and out of the dam of Kate Dillon 2:12, being a full brother to Emaline Dillon that paced a mile in 2:08½ over the halfmile track at Ferndale. This fellow has an awful lot of natural lick, and while he has had only about forty days of real work he has gone the route in 2:28 with the last half of it in 1:10. Ryan has another young Guy Dillon that we like pretty well and that is out of a good producing dam, Silver Bud by Silver Bow that trotted the Petaluma track twenty years ago in 2:17 as a two-year-old. She is the dam of three that have gone right at the 2:10 mark, Lady Seymour, Buddie G. and Mountain Boy, and we have a good deal of faith in the one we are handling now, a three-year-old chestnut colt. She has another foal still younger that should also make a good trotter, being a handsome son of the Petaluma stallion, McMyrtle.

We also have the former San Francisco pacing mare Hamburg Belle 2:12¼ among the older horses. She is wintering very nicely and will be raced in the matinees here in the valley this summer.

JAMES STERLING.

Petaluma, Feb. 14, 1916.

The Petaluma Driving Club, greatly gratified by the success of the matinees held here last season, is contemplating staging races at the Kenilworth Park track three Sundays in the month during the coming spring and summer, and the course will soon be put in the best possible condition for training, most of the harness horses of this locality now getting plenty of road work on the good drives that we have in this neighborhood. There is no dearth of fast horses in this vicinity and some excellent races should result when local, Santa Rosa and Sonoma horses compete for honors. The local driving club will try to induce the San Francisco-California Driving Club members to hold a matinee here one Sunday in the month, as the program staged here last fall by the bay city organization attracted a generous attendance and aroused a considerable and pleasing amount of enthusiasm. It was a successful affair, both in a financial way and the quality of sport provided, and local adherents of the trotting turf are hoping that the San Francisco folks will favor us with more matinees of the same brand.

Jack Grimes, the well known trainer and driver who always has a plentiful amount of speed on tap in his stable, will soon put into training a string of about forty trotters and pacers, most of which he purchased at the Rush & Haile sales at Suisun. Most of them are the progeny of the great speed sire Demonio 2:11¼ and a good many are very fashionably bred, the brief pedigrees of some of the number being as follows: Colonel Demonio, green pacer, by Demonio, dam by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, whose daughters have produced so many great horses; Don Demonio, chestnut gelding by Demonio, dam by Dawn 2:18¾; Billy, pacer, by Kinney Lou 2:07¾, dam Mildred O. by Secretary; two-year-old bay colt, trotter, by Alconda Jay, dam by McKinney 2:11¼ and grandam by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼; two two-year-old colts, trotters, by Montbaine and out off Demonio mares (one of these is a strapping big fellow, standing sixteen hands and weighing eleven hundred pounds now); seven three- and four-year-olds by General J. B. Frisbie out of Demonio dams, and a yearling filly by Darby Mc., dam by Demonio. Two star performers with some previous education which Mr. Grimes will soon put back into training, are the pacers Nutwood Demonio, by Demonio and out of a Nutwood Wilkes mare, and Glenwood Mc., by By Mack (son of McKinney) and out of Lady Glenway. Nutwood Demonio has paced miles in 2:10 and Glenwood Mc. has reeled 'em off in 2:17 on a slow track with very little training. Mr. Grimes expects great things from this fellow.

Other horses that will soon be put in training are my pacer Billy T. by Demonio, dam Minerva by Guy Wilkes (Billy being a full brother to Denervo 2:06¼ and Ben Rush 2:10½ and a half-brother to Solano Boy 2:07, so I think he has a chance to make some pacer); Tony Hoppe's pacing gelding by By Mack; Charles Wyatt's trotter by San Francisco 2:07¾, dam by Nutwood; Dan McGovern's trotter by Bonnie McKinney; Richard Harris' trotter by McMyrtle, dam by Prince Almont, and K. V. McDonald's three-year-old trotting colt by General J. B. Frisbie, dam by Demonio. We will have plenty on hand to make pretty fair fields in our matinees, and not all the visitors will beat all of us.

RICHARD HEALEY.

Sacramento, February 15, 1916.

Will send you a list of horses in training at the best winter track on the coast, just to let folks know that we have plenty of them here, and when I say "best winter track" I mean just that, as there has been but a day or so at a time all during this rainy season when it was not fit to work on.

Jay Frank, who came here from Pleasanton some weeks ago, is working seven head owned by Mr. Lewis, a two-year-old by Best Policy, dam by Zombro; a five-year-old bay mare by Gerald G. (a good son of Zombro), dam by Clipper 2:06½; a five-year old brown gelding by Bonnie McKinney, dam by a son of Nutwood; a three-year-old bay mare by Red Cloak Jr., dam by Prince Nutwood; a seven-year-old chestnut mare by Zolock, dam by Clipper; a six-year-old brown gelding by Lijero and the seven-year-old horse Red Cloak Jr.

William Ivey has a four-year-old brown gelding by Montbaine, dam by Lockheart 2:08½; a five-year-old bay gelding by Palite, dam by Alexander Button; a two-year-old bay gelding by The Bondsman, dam Oniska (dam of San Francisco 2:07¾, etc.) by Nutwood Wilkes; a three-year-old brown gelding, brother to the good trotting mare Expedio 2:09¼, and a four-year-old brown mare by Lijero, dam by Wildnut.

Chris Jorgenson, who developed the good trotter Dean Swift 2:08 here on this track some three years ago, has a four-year-old bay mare by The Bondsman, dam by McKinney; a brown gelding of the same age by Lijero, dam Elevator by Don Marvin; also the brown gelding Pedro and the fast record pacer Booze 2:07¼, who has had a number of trainers in the course of the last year.

Walter Tryon has the S. H. Cowell horses, the older ones of the stable all being well known to western race goers, including George Woodard 2:07½, Panama 2:10¼, John Mac 2:12¼, Albaloma 2:08¼ and Rastus 2:05¼, this gentleman being something of a stranger in this particular neck of the woods, and recently of the McDonald stable on the Grand Circuit. As he won a couple of hot mains on the raging grand last season and was second in four others, beating Yedno 2:02½ a five-heat race in New York and at different times outfooting Hal Boy 2:01½, Russell Boy 2:02¼, Judge Ormonde 2:02½ and several lesser lights, it looks as though he might be pretty hard to get along with out here. Two Peter the Great two-year-olds in the Cowell string, one a stud colt out of a Bingen mare, grandam a sister to Nico 2:08¼, and the other a filly out of a daughter of Gambetta Wilkes, promise to make history in the future, and Walter has a good young pacer that is really up to something—the four-year-old gelding Dixon Boy by The Patchen Boy that worked this track last winter in 2:08.

John Quinn, who put himself temporarily "afoot" some weeks ago when he sold Albaloma to Harry Cowell, is back at the old stand again with two unmarked trotters owned by the Fresno horseman, M. L. Woy, one of them being a green mare that has worked close to the 2:10 mark at the trot. John has been away from the Sacramento track for two winters, but cannot see that his other wintering places had anything on this one in the way of off season advantages.

Tom Holmes has Golden West, a brother to All Style 2:10, and a five-year-old bay gelding by Stam B. 2:11¾, dam by McKinney.

James Thompson has Leavitt Todhunter's good Peter the Great trotter, Peter McKlyo (3) 2:12½; Sweet Bow (2) 2:17½ and her two-year-old bay colt by Peter McKlyo; a two-year-old bay colt by General Watts (3) 2:06¾, dams by Bon Voyage, Allie Wilkes, George Wilkes and Mambrino Patchen, as named; a two-year-old brown filly by Peter McKlyo, dam by Bon Voyage.

L. B. Daniels has the Silva horses and those that were raced last year just commenced daily jogging about the first of the month. This bunch includes the ever reliable Teddy Bear 2:05, who showed last season that he could pace right at his record; Bondalean (3) 2:06¼, the second fastes pacer of the age in the land last season; Potrero Boy 2:06¼, who will be hard to muss in the fast classes out here this season; John Malcolm 2:09¼, last year's fastest four-year-old pacing gelding; Oro Mo 2:09¼, and the trotters Kid Cupid 2:08¾, San Felipe 2:09¼, Columbia T. 2:13½ and Con Brino 2:14¼. The younger Silva candidates include four two-year-olds by Teddy Bear out of mares by Stam B., Zombro, Demonio and Mendocino; Jim Hardeman, three-year-old brown gelding by Directum Spier 2:11¼, dam Ila Moko, dam of the world's champion yearling trotting filly Anselila; a two-year-old brown gelding by Prince Ansel out of Silver Haw, the dam of Helen Stiles 2:06¼; a two-year-old brown filly by Palo King out of Ramona, the dam of Del Rey 2:03¾ and Verna McKinney (2) 2:13; a two-year-old bay gelding by Montbaine out of a producer of 2:10 speed; Stanley Quinn, three-year-old brown gelding by Dan Logan 2:07½, and Inspector by Lijero, out of Queen S., the dam of Teddy Bear. Daniels also has two four-year-olds owned by Dr. E. J. Weldon of this city, one a brown sister to Expedio and the other a bay gelding by Demonio out of a mare by Welcome. The Teddy Bear two-year-olds all can show quite well, and there are about ten young things of that age at this track that will be stepping quarters in thirty-five seconds by May if the blacksmith doesn't cut their toes off and if the track suits them and the water agrees with them and the snow goes out of the mountains gradually and as it should, instead of starting out on a rush wih a warm wind, etc., etc.

I have a couple of small bones to pick with a couple of members of the turf writers union before bringing this communication to a close. Last October Volunteer in the Horse Review used a column or so telling how Bingen Silk 2:08¾ was the greatest two-year-old trotting colt that he ever saw. Now I would have to call Volunteer the greatest turf writer that ever was, but at the same time I would have to look in the Year Book and see what happened to Peter Volo as a two-year-old. The only difference between Peter Volo and Bingen Silk is that Peter started when a two-year-old in the three biggest stakes for the age, didn't lost a heat, and trotted in 2:04½, while Bingen Silk also started in the three biggest two-year-old stakes, never won a heat, was beaten in from 2:07¾ (the fastest heat, and he was third in that one) to 2:12¾, and didn't get as good as second money in but one of these races. Wish I had one like Bingen Silk, but his trotting average doesn't come on the same page with that of Peter Volo nor does any other horse's, to my notion.

Another writer spoke of Margaret Druien being beaten by a cheap horse, Ross B. No, Ross B. isn't much of a trotter. He has raced for the last four years, won most of his races, and every time that they beat him they went in 2:02½ to 2:05. Find another record like it and it's my treat.

"PREPAREDNESS."

SUGGESTS MATINEE SYSTEM OF CLASSIFICATION.

We would like to present for the consideration of such of our readers as may be interested in the matter, the following letter recently received at this office from one of the very well known western trainers, whose name is withheld on his own request. The letter included a suggestion that the editor draw up a plan for racing along the lines submitted herewith and determine the feasibility of the same by asking the expression of horsemen concerning it, but right here is where the editor passes the buck. Admitting that the present system of racing is inadequate and that the system suggested, or rather hinted at, might be put into working order on a practicable basis by the grace of God and a few other miracles, the matter is entirely too deep for one man to tackle alone. The only systems of matinee classifications with which the editor is at all familiar have not only been far from satisfactory to the "classificationees" but have been productive of about every sort of trouble to which the flesh is heir, including plain and fancy assault and battery, mayhem, arson, personal recrimination, bankruptcy (voluntary and involuntary), chilblains, compound fractures of the disposition, disruption of lifelong friendships, cold feet and the frozen face, divorce and alimony, pellagra, the sleeping sickness and other minor ills too numerous to mention. The proper functions of the sergeant-at-arms of several present day matinee clubs which shall here be nameless are not the exclusion of nonmembers from the meeting on nights when the next Sunday's card is to be "classified," but the frisking of each member as he arrives to see that he does not smuggle into the place of worship some such pleasant plaything as a gat or a sanded sock or a pair of knucks or a black jack. Only by such means are the subsequent disturbances limited to the trifling matters above enumerated and sudden murder prevented. However, there are some sound theories in the matinee system at heart, and if the gentleman who first sponsored the idea or any of those with whom he has talked it over will start the ball rolling we will give their ideas air and elaborate on them if possible and practicable. Until then, however, in the matter of promulgating a system for professional racing on the matinee line, we are due to preserve a silence besides which the dumbness of the Sphinx would seem a raucous riot. Send along your definite ideas and perhaps something may be done for them. The letter is as follows, and as there is much good solid matter in it we respectfully commend it to your attention:

In your last issue I read your article on the Pacific Coast Fair Association, and I think all your suggestions good ones; I know that we are all working to the same point, that is, some way to try and put the game on a popular basis. You know as well as I that for a long time the business has been drifting from bad to worse, until at the present time we have about reached the crisis, and I have several letters of recent date from some of the best horsemen in the United States that will show that it is not confined alone to the Pacific Coast, but is practically the same all over the country. Among them is one from Mr. Geers and one from Mr. H. K. Devereux.

You know that you cannot make a business out of it and have colts and horses sell for the prices which they do now at most of the sales. When you can buy colts as well bred as you can nowadays for $150 or less there is not much inducement for stock farms or other breeders, and I believe it is wholly due to our system of racing. At the present time it is almost impossible for a poor man or one of moderate means to try and develop a green one, as if his prospect does not turn out to be high class he has no redress, no chance whatever, to get hardly any part of his investment back. The natural consequence is that that class of people will not breed, buy or train, and as a consequence the industry has not got, to any extent (and is losing fast), the support that it must have to exist, that is, the support of the little fellow. There is no business or sport that can exist without them, and under present conditions I cannot conscientiously advise or try to influence my friends to buy or train, as I have no way of giving any sort of guarantee that if his colt or prospect does not turn out to be high class he will not be much of a loser.

We are in the same position right now that a farmer was in Vermont that a friend of mine told me about. My friend was born in Vermont and came west, and after a good many years went back to visit the old folks, and inquiring about his boyhood friends, they told him that this particular one was on the farm where he had been born, which had belonged to his father and grandfather. He paid him a visit and after awhile when talking over the farm, asked him why he did not do things some different, that he believed it would pay him, and his boyhood friend replied: "Well, I farm the place like my father and grandfather did, and they were pretty good farmers." That is the same rut that the harness game has got into. See how long it took to get rid of the old three in five idea.

Why is it that horses sell for better prices in Europe, Australia, etc., than here? Simply because all classes of speed have a valuation, an earning capacity. You know that the spectator and pleasure seeker goes to the races to see contests of speed, but not necessarily extreme speed; the general public would go much farther and pay more to see a race that was a genuine contest even if the speed was not better than 2:20 than they would to see a so-called race where one horse won practically as he pleased and went in 2:04, and so would I. I believe the crying need of the business is a system of racing whereby all classes of speed, from say 2:20 down, will have an earning capacity, thereby a valuation, that would give the little fellow a chance and keep him in the game. There are four very good reasons why we have got to change the system, enumerated I would say about as follows: First, some way to utilize all classes of speed from 2:20 down; second, to get rid of suspension lists; third, to lower entrance fees; fourth, to provide a way or have a system whereby there would be no such thing as outclassed horses, allowing horses to race as long as serviceably sound. You will say, "How are we going to do this?" In my opinion it is an easy problem to solve, and right here I am going to ask you a question, that is, Why would it not be practical to race horses for money under the same system that we matinee them?

Another thing, what sport or business could have existed under the same conditions that the harness game has? You know that the matinee game is going to the bad, and why not? It is a wonder to me that it has lived as long as it has, as it is in the same condition as the professional game, that is, supported at a sacrifice most of the time by the little fellow, who does so through his love for the horse and enthusiasm in the sport, and I think that it has been one of the most detrimental things that could have happened to the professional sport for the simple reason that where it existed the public saw just as good and generally better racing than they would see when paying admission to do so. Give your outclassed matinee horse a chance to race for money and there will be no more matinees. If we would race under this system all horses that could go in 2:20 or better would have an earning capacity, thereby a valuation, and there would be no suspension list as you would make every matinee horse in California a race horse, and as a natural consequence there would be very few races that would be so in name only, as they are at the present time. It would not be as it is now, after three or four meetings, all the horses but the money winners shipped home, and not enough horses to fill the races and make a decent program and leave the associations with late meetings without any races, practically, and a lot of suspensions that they would never get, and a lot of good horsemen put out of the game.

My idea would be to not eliminate the class proposition as it is today altogether, but to give, say, four class races on each program, one for green trotters and one for green pacers, it being compulsory for them to start in these races before being eligible to classification in A, B, C, or whatever class they might qualify for afterward, and then give two fast classes, one for trotters and one for pacers. I have talked to a great many professional horsemen during the last year, and I have got the first one to hear say that it was not the right idea, in fact, most all of them would say, "You are right, and I would like to see that done. It looks to me as if it would give all classes of speed a standard value, and put the game somewhere near on a business basis and guarantee any association that they could give a successful harness meeting wherever there was a fit place to give one."

It would make it so that I could advise my friend or patron to buy a prospect and spend some money on him, as if he had any speed he would have a chance to earn something and if he wanted to sell there would be someone to buy, as the purchaser would have a chance to earn his purchase price.

I am going to say a little about the time to hold meetings in California and then quit. I don't think there should be a meeting held in California earlier than August 15th or even September 1st, and I will tell you why. In most of the places where there is a chance to hold a successful meeting most of the attendance must come from the rural districts; in order to get the benefit of that you have got to wait until the harvesting is over, and they have the time and means to spend for recreation. Aside from that, the fairs would be better in display, as about all crops are ripened and in condition for display. If we would follow that plan we could commence racing somewhere in the northern part of the state, say Eureka, which I think will be found one of the best places in the state for a meeting, and end at El Centro, and by commencing at that time I think there would be less trouble in arranging dates. Some one would probably have the rain bugaboo, but what if it did rain a little? Go right on just the same as they do in Washington and Oregon. See all the trainers there are around the country, and good ones too, that are not doing enough to make a living, and some that have quit the game. Think it over and I believe you will agree with me that it is the system of racing that is the whole trouble.

NOTES and NEWS

STALLIONS ADVERTISED

ANVIL 2:02¾ .....C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton
CARLOKIN 2:07½.....W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles
KING LILLY POINTER 2:14, W. H. Nesmith, Los Angeles
LeGRAND McDONALD.....Bridgford Co., San Francisco
VERNON McKINNEY 2:01½..C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton
WILBUR LOU 2:10¼.....Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet

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Any person interested in northwestern farm ranch lands will find some excellent properties listed for sale elsewhere in this number.

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Alonzo McDonald, who spent last winter at Los Angeles, announced some time ago that Memphis would be the scene of his training operations this year, but finally compromised with himself and decided to keep his entire stable at the Indiana state fair plant at Indianapolis. Last season the best trotter he had at the races, Ames Albingen, was made over that course in the winter and spring and Alonzo evidently will be pretty well pleased if he can fix up a bunch like this bird for the frays of 1916.

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Dick McMahon took his flat wheel to Bonesetter Reese at Youngstown, O., but that wizard could do nothing for him, so Richard is once more thrown upon the tender mercies of the average practitioner. Not discouraged by the outlook, he merely spilled a few cans of grease on the spindles of the old wagon and started for the south with Mrs. McMahon, expecting to spend several weeks visiting with members of the fraternity at those two popular winter resorts, Memphis and Thomasville.

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The Winnipeg trainers, Will Fleming, Barney Barnes and George Spencer, are all comfortably stabled in winter quarters and are doing only light road work around the rotunda of the Leland Hotel, Mac Rochon's welcome home to all who speak the light harness language. Joe Carson is in charge of the training camp, takes all bets and settles all arguments.—Canadian Sportsman.

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Dr. Burns Jr. 2:04¼, who was fired and turned out after his arrival in the east last summer subsequent to his breakdown here at the exposition, has recently been sent back to his old pilot, Al Whitney, at the West Side track, Chicago, and will be trained for another whirl at the fast ones, provided he stands the gaff. The Doctor is not as great a source of uneasiness to as many folks at this writing as was the case last season.

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Harry Nelson, the Selma horseman and stallioneer, has recently purchased from Louis Merrill of Coalinga a pair of mammoth jacks that will be in service in the Selma neighborhood this year. Last season Harry's stallions and jacks served over three hundred mares and he is out to exceed that figure this time. Expressive Mac 2:25½ was one of the best patronized trotting stallions in the state and the class of mares sent to him last year were the best to which he has ever had access. Mr. Nelson is a frequent user of the advertising columns of the Breeder and Sportsman and never fails to get plenty of answers to his ads.

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Joe Patchen II. 2:03¼ is taking his winter road work on the streets of Winnipeg hooked to a speed wagon and the big train never fails to attract the attention of everyone on the street when he goes by. Quintell is being handled in a similar manner and the reports from across the border are to the effect that both horses are fit as can be.

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Andrew Albright, Jr., the New Jersey horse breeder who is spending the winter in California after his usual custom, concluded negotiations this week with I. L. Borden of this city for the purchase of the bay mare Baby Doll 2:10¼, who has been a familiar figure on western tracks since her three-year-old season. When here last spring Mr. Albright purchased from the estate of W. J. Miller the full sister to Baby Doll, Katalina 2:11¼, and it is his satisfaction with the latter matron that led to the purchase of the Borden mare. Katalina is the dam of the sensationally fast pacer Bondalean (3) 2:06¼, who ranks as the second fastest wiggler of that age for the season of 1915, and to the cover of The Proof 2:10¾ produced a filly that is pronounced one of the nicest trotting prospects in New Jersey, the little lady having been purchased with her dam and being now a two-year-old. Mr. Albright's latest acquisition will be shipped to Los Angeles early next week and before setting out on the long journey to Prospect Farm will be mated to one of the stallions of the W. G. Durfee etsablishment, while in the future it is the new owner's hope to produce some real racehorses from the California mares to the cover his halfmile track champion Nathan Axworthy 2:09¼ or his good son of Kentucky Todd, Toddling (3) 2:15¼.

J. W. Zibbell of Fresno, who gets his mail and his three-a-day at 103 Thesta street, that city, is in the market for some fillies by The Bondsman, for brood mare purposes only and at brood mare prices, and anyone having fillies of this sort, of any age, may find a buyer by addressing him.

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The grapevine telegraph is hot with dispatches from southern California to the effect that one of the greatest stallions in that section is soon to find a new home across the briny deep. While the horse mentioned in the rumorograms is one that we would like to see stay right where he is, the folks who buy him will make a ten strike of the cleanest kind.

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California stallion owners who have been recent customers of our service department are W. G. Durfee and the Hemet Stock Farm, Mr. Durfee getting out his usual cards setting forth the many good qualities of those great sires Carlokin and Copa de Oro, while the Hemet folks are telling over two thousand people the merits of Wilbur Lou and his youngsters, using for that purpose an attractive folding postal card, illustrated and printed in two colors. A good horse and a good ad mean better mares and more of 'em, consequently better colts and more money.

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Mrs. T. L. Johnson of North Spur, one of the most accomplished horsewomen of the Golden State and owner at various times of numerous saddle horses of high degree, has just acquired two of the most highly regarded members of that family to be found in the Blue Grass, the noted matron Lady McDonald A. and her yearling bay colt King of Air, at a price that is reported to have run well into four figures. Lady McDonald A. is a sister to that most noted of Kentucky saddle horse sires, Star McDonald, and is the dam of the noted show mare My Idol, owned by Paul Brown of Missouri and exhibited at theP.-P. I. E. by E. D. Moore of Columbia, winning many prizes and being adjudged senior and grand champion of that show. The selection was made for Mrs. Johnson by "Billy" Shropshire, which in itself is a pretty thorough guarantee that the new owner will be pretty proud of the mare and colt when she gets them to her California estate.

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The high water mark in draft horse prices for recent years was reached a few days ago in the central west when W. S. Corsa of Gregory Farm, Whitehall, Ill., sold a half interest in the great Percheron stallion Carnot for twenty thousand dollars, he new part owner of the international champion being Rudolph G. Leeds of Richmond, Indiana. Carnot was bought by Mr. Corsa for ten thousand dollars and at the prices paid for a number of his get sold during the last season or so by Gregory Farm he would have paid a six per cent dividend on a capitalization of nve times that amount, so twenty thousand dollars for a half interest in his is not so "far fetched" as might appear at first glance. He is eleven years old and his period of usefulness should extend for a considerable term of years. Western draft horse fanciers are well aware of the qualities of his get through the presence at the exposition horse show of a small but select representation from Gregory Farm, every one of which furnished hot competition whenever exhibited.

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Early in the present week Superintendent Charley DeRyder of Pleasanton Driving Park shipped a car containing nine head of equine aristocrats from that point, destined for the classic neighborhood of Lexington, six of the number being thoroughbreds and the other three trotters. The thoroughbreds are some high class matrons recently purchased by Jack Atkin for the account of Rodney MacKenzie from the Oakwood Stock Farm of Lawrence and Comstock, most of them destined to be bred to Buckhorn, who is making his first stud season at the Blue Grass establishment of Hal Price Headley. The trotters were Miss Perfection 2:08¼, Anvilite (2) 2:22¼, both owned by Mr. MacKenzie and sent east to get in shape for a campaign on the big line this season, and the yearling colt recently acquired by Jack Atkin from his employer and patron, the youngster being a husky son of Zomblack 2:10¼ and Martha Spy by The Spy, Martha being the dam of Anvilite. When in Lexington recently Jack arranged with James Snell to take this fellow and "put the preparation to him," though Jack threatens to drive him in his futurity engagements himself, as witness the line of conversation he handed out to Colonel Cromwell of the staff of our esteemed s. s. C. c.: "Talk about whiz, this bird has got all that it takes to make the stuff. He is going to be to the trotting turf what Buckhorn was to the running turf, and, believe me, that's a heap. Charley DeRyder hooked this fellow to a cart for me the day I left Pleasanton, and let him brush a piece up the track for me. Oh, he's there all right. Who knows, some of these days I may be teaming that fellow for the coon skins myself. Could I—say, get away with that stuff—could I drive a trotter? Of course, I could, and I will some day." All kidding aside, Jack has more than once demonstrated on visits to Pleasanton that he is a skinner of quality, so don't be surprised if he makes his threats good. Who will handle the great pair of trotters sent down by R. J. has not yet been announced, but it will be some good man and it will take some good man and some good horse to beat either one of them unless bad luck plays its part.

George Ramage of Santa Rosa, who went to the central west last summer and failed to return with the balance of the Californians who made similar excursions, is wintering at Manhattan, Kansas, and writes to local friends that jogging horses in zero weather is quite different from anything he has gone up against in recent years. The trotting mare Clara Mills which he took over with him won a couple of races in September, taking a mark of 2:24¼ over a halfmile track, and George thinks she will be right there this season. They do things a little different down in the short grass country from the systems in vogue in California, and George ranks as fortunate both horses and men that have the advantage of wintering out here.

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E. D. Gould of Kearney, Nebraska, who occupies the position of foremost horsebreeder of that section of the world and who has recently made extensive additions to the ranks of the matrons at his Midway Stock Farm, has purchased from Clinton A. Harrison of Seattle the grandly bred stallion Robert Bingen 2:11¼ and the three-year-old trotting filly Sadie Ansel (2) 2:23½. The negotiations had been under way for some time, but the deal was not definitely closed until this week, the horses being shipped on Wednesday. Robert Bingen is one of the very best bred sons of Bingen and should be one of the most successful members of his tribe as a progenitor of extreme speed, as he comes of breeding on lines on the maternal side and was himself possessed of 2:10 speed at either the trot or the pace. He has been handicapped in various ways since coming to California and had small opportunity for showing his true worth, either as sire or race horse. Mr. Gould, having owned his dam, the famous matron Episode 2:18 by Ambassador, and a number of her produce, is well aware of his excellent inherent qualities and will use his services as consort to the band of good mares that he has assembled at Midway Farm. Sadie Ansel, the trotting filly who accompanies Bingen on the journey to their new home in Nebraska, is a daughter of that sire of yearling champions, Prince Ansel, and is out of the double producer Lauress by Mendocino, sire of the dam of Mary Putney (3) 2:05½, etc. Lauress was one of the most attractive matrons at Woodland Stock Farm and Sadie Ansel, at the time she took her record of 2:23½ at the farm last spring, gave every indication of being one of the best two-year-old fillies of the year. Like practically everything else in training at that establishment last season she went wrong later, her condition being aggravated by a touch of blood poisoning contracted in some jack veterinary work. After being taken to Seattle she responded to the course prescribed for her by Mr. Harrison and has "come alive" in a manner that indicated that she may yet become a useful trotter, while as a brood mare she should be still more valuable.

THE OLD COWPONIES.

During the search for horses by the European buyers this year I was commissioned to go out as an advance scout and round up the stock to be inspected at various places on certain days. I have been in the horse game all my life and the one thing that strikes me most nowadays is the uniformly great improvement that has come to the equine race here in the Rocky mountain region. At the same time, while we have been building up size we have not enhanced the endurance or staying qualities of our horse stock and I have had a good deal of difficulty in convincing the foreign buyers on this point so patent to all the old cowmen, but so little understood by our friends from abroad. Twenty-five or thirty years ago most of the ranch horses in this country were Texas bronchos. The genuine caballo was not a thing of beauty, but it had points of excellence unrivaled by any other animal of the horse kind. It had more strength in proportion to size, could travel farther in a day and be ready to go again the next morning than any well-bred and high-priced American horse that ever traveled over the plains. It could be trained to take what was called a running walk, a sort of cross between a walk and a trot. I have known a pony weighing no more than 750 pounds to carry a 200-pound man with a saddle weighing from forty to fifty pounds, a gun, blankets, slicker, frying pan, coffee pot, a total weight of 260 or 265 pounds, or one-third its own weight on its back, and travel from seventy-five to ninety miles a day. Then with perhaps nothing to eat but a feed of buffalo grass the mustang would repeat the performance the next day. No American horse weighing twice as much as that pony could have stayed with it three days hand running.

The genuine mustang was not devoid of horse intellect. It could be trained to be a first-class cutting horse and this meant a large amount of horse sense, which no doubt was an inherited quality acquired from its Barb or Arabic ancestors brought to America by the Spanish conquistadores and who in turn acquired the stock from the Moors 600 or 700 years ago. I have seen ponies that without a rider would have gone into the middle of a herd of 5,000 cattle, picked out the animal that had been pointed out to them and brought it out of the band. Such a pony had brains, but was not an animal of trusting and loving nature. He evidently regarded life as a skin game of which he was the victim. He had made the discovery that man was too many for him and he submitted to human rule not because he liked it, but because he had to put up with it. There never seemed to be any bond of mutual trust and affection between him and his master. With the domestic American horse it is generally easy enough to go out to the pasture, call him up and slip a halter over his head. If the tenderfoot who had just purchased a well-broken mustang thought he could run that sort of a sandy on his Texas steed he had another think coming. It might be a quarter of a century old and have been ridden 10,000 times, but no man could walk up to him, catch him by the foretop and slip a bridle or halter over his head. You could put a hackamore on him when he was cornered and satisfied that he couldn't get away, or if you had skill enough to throw a rope over his head you could get him that way, but so long as he lived he acted on the theory that he would give up when he had to and not until then.

But with all his faults and sins of omission and commission, the broncho was adapted to the business of that time. He was as long winded as an antelope and sure footed as a coyote. He could go at full speed through a prairie dog town where disaster seemed to wait for every jump, and not tumble. And this ability to stay on his feet was mighty important. Often at night when a herd of cattle had been bedded down something would start a panic and stampede. It might be simply a slinking coyote running through the herd. It might be a sudden clap of thunder. It was in a case of this kind where the pure blooded mustang showed his usefulness. For mile after mile he would run without a stumble or fall until the rush of the maddened cattle was finally checked. The big draft horses and fine roadsters that are plentiful now are all right for this day and generation but the little wiry mustang of sure foot, untiring nerve and unconfiding nature was the best animal for his time.—Field and Farm.

OUR THORPE FOR AMERICA.

Mr. W. J. Fleming's wonderful pacer Our Thorpe, whose brilliancy has been quite a feature of this season's racing in New Zealand, may not much longer thrill Maoriland crowds, as his owner contemplates sending him to America to measure strides with some of the cracks there. Competent New Zealand judges who closely followed the champion pacer through his highly successful 1915 campaign have, on more than one occasion, expressed the belief that he is the greatest pacer ever seen in the Dominion. Facts that have lent considerable weight to this conclusion were his two decisive defeats of Country Belle in the Christchurch free-for-all and the New Brighton Cup. Country Belle's recent achievements in lowering the Australasian mile record of 2:8 3-5, held by Emmeline, to 2:7 1-5, and the Australasian two-mile record of 4:28 1-5, held by Denver Huon, to 4:22 4-5 have conclusively proved that she is a pacer of very high calibre, and the possession of a pacer which is admittedly this mare's superior must undoubtedly be a source of pride to Mr. Fleming, and incline the belief that his horse is capable of lowering the colors of some of the doyens of the American trotting turf. Our Thorpe followed up a remarkable run of success by winning the Champion Handicap, of 600 sovs., the chief event at the Canterbury Park meeting on New Year's day. He was opposed to a formidable field of 12, and though conceding 10 seconds to the limit horse, overcame the opposition with ease and left the two miles behind him in 4:32—a 2:15½ gait. A fortnight previously, at the New Brighton fixture, he competed in the New Brighton Cup, of 400 sovs., a free-for-all event. Though only two competitors were ranged against him, the fact of one of those opponents being Country Belle, at present in record-breaking mood, set the O.Y.M. horse a task, but he finished full of vim two lengths ahead of Mr. Morland's mare in 4:30—a 2:15 gait. After finishing second to Country Belle in the New Zealand Cup in 4:35 2-5 last November, Our Thorpe gained what was, from point of speed, his greatest triumph in the mile and a quarter free-for-all, of 500 sovs., at the big Cup meeting. In that event his opponents were Country Belle, Emmeline, Eccentric, Adelaide Direct, Tommy C., and Win Soon, all distinguished performers, but he quickly left them behind with the sole exception of Country Belle, who contested the finish with him, but was three lengths on the wrong side at the post. His time for the mile and a quarter on that occasion (2:41) is the Australasian record for the distance, and his mile rate averaged 2:09. That Our Thorpe is possessed of rare staying qualities was evidenced in the Victoria Handicap, a £350 event, at the Christchurch Spring Meeting in 1914. The distance was two and a quarter miles, and the opposition strong, but he outclassed his antagonists and got over the distance in 5:12, which represents a rate of 2:17¾, a most creditable performance over the distance. Last season Our Thorpe was started eight times and gained five wins and a third. His two principal successes were attained in the Champion Handicap at South Canterbury, in which he stepped 2:19 1-5, and in the King George Handicap at Christchurch, in which his rate was 2:21½. In his last four starts he has caught the judge's eye on three occasions, and also gained a second; has defeated the elite of New Zealand trotting stock, and has amassed 1550 sovs. in stake money. Being only five years old, Our Thorpe, all going well, can be relied upon to earn his owner a still greater sum, perhaps on American tracks and against some of the "speed marvels" of which we hear so much.—Australian Trotting Record.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

FLY-CASTING TOURNEY ON TUESDAY.

Washington's Birthday, which falls on Tuesday next, will mark the first fly-casting activities of the season. The San Francisco Flycasting Club will stage its mid-winter tournament at Stow Lake in Golden Gate Park, and a large gathering of experts is expected to be in attendance.

Eight events are on the program. They are:

1. Heavy tackle accuracy.
2. One-half ounce lure accuracy.
3. Dry fly accuracy.
4. Delicacy and accuracy.
5. Light tackle distance.
6. Salmon fly.
7. One-half ounce lure distance.
8. Obstacle fly.

The tournament will start at 10 a. m. and luncheon will be served at one. Ladies are cordially invited. Prizes will be presented to the winners and the next best score in each event.

Secretary P. W. Shattuck announces, "Presentation of the prizes will be made at the mid-winter banquet to be held March 2nd or 3rd. A fine program has been arranged—so be sure and keep the date open. Announcement will be made shortly of the time and place. If you don't cast—come and tell the other fellows how to do it."

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Honolulu, February 15.—Rod and line fishing records for the Hawaiian Islands were broken today by J. W. Jump of Los Angeles, Cal.; F. W. Burnham of Martinez, Cal., and H. L. Morris of Denver, when they hauled in from the waters on the lee of the island of Maui five yellow fin tuna weighing in all 327 pounds, and twenty-five other game fish.

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A casting club has been organized at Seattle, Wash., under the name of the Seattle Fly and Bait Casting Club. Following are the officers of the new organization: President, P. Pitt Shaw; vice-president, Dr. C. C. Ballou; secretary, L. T. Jacobsen; captain, E. A. Throckmorton; board of trustees, Dr. J. S. Thomas, L. F. Lane, W. J. Loomis, A. C. Bunker and C. E. Moline. There are now approximately 150 members in the club and new accessions are being made daily. One member brought in eighteen new applicants in one day. Casting grounds will be selected in the near future. The promoters of the club state that at the rate new members are being enrolled it will not be long before the club will be the largest in the West.

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Lovers of the rod and reel in Utah who desire to take advantage of the six weeks open season on trout, which began February 15, may have to get to the streams on snowshoes, but after they once get to them, the speckled beauties will be there in plenty, is the declaration of Fred W. Chambers, state fish and game commissioner. Hundreds of inquiries were made by sportsmen concerning the prospects for the early opening ,says the fish and game commissioner, so the outlook is for lots of fishermen to brave the snows of the canyon.

Further evidence that the early opening will bring forth a young army of rod wielders is the demand throughout the state for licenses to fish and hunt. While the State Commissioner's office could not make any check on the number sold, Commissioner Chambers said it was safe to say that between 4,000 and 5,000 licenses had been issued during January and the report is that a heavy demand is still being made for them in all cities.

NO DECISION ON MIGRATORY BIRD LAW.

No decision has been reached by the United States Supreme Court regarding the federal migratory bird law, although one was promised by outside parties a year ago. Now the supreme court is on vacation, and a decision is no nearer than before.

There is some hope of a determination by June. Friends argue the delay favorable, opponents think it indicates uncertainty and the efforts of advocates of the law to gain time so as to cement it into constitutionality by the enactment of a foreign reciprocal treaty with Canada, which is no easy task with war in mind. Nobody knows but the supreme bench, and they are not telling.

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Those planting duck food of any sort, or intending to do so by way of bringing up the shooting upon their club preserves, should operate in the spring.

Since grain-farming gave way to beet raising, the South has been deficient in food for ducks.

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Something must be done to artificially make the duck-ponds more attractive. There are many foods, many plants which grow in some places about the gun club ponds. The idea is spreading that pasturing too heavily is a mistake, as it forces cattle to eat weeds they would pass by for the ducks if lands were not over-crowded.

NEWS OF KENNEL DOINGS.

The officers of the Golden Gate Kennel Club will hold a meeting this week to decide on the judge and superintendent. It is very likely that Walter H. Reeves will be the club's selection to officiate as judge of all breeds.

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B. I. Bloch, a well-known local attorney and owner of the Vendome French bulldog kennels, will manage the Golden Gate show.

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Francis Carolan, of Burlingame, has imported a pack of Beagle hounds from the East. Carolan will show them at the Golden Gate show.

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It is rumored in local circles that Jester of Wearmouth, a famous English bulldog, is to be brought to the Pacific Coast. Jester is not only a famous winner, but is equally as famous as a sire, having sired such famous dogs as Country Model and champion Columbia Rose, the best bitch in England. Mrs. Anita M. Baldwin, of Santa Anita, offered two thousand dollars for her and the answer read "Not for sale." The former, Country Model, won at the Exposition show, defeating many noted dogs.

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John Bradshaw, the noted dog expert, is importing a string of terriers from Scotland and England. Many famous winners are among those purchased. The string includes Airedale, wire and smooth fox, Irish, Scottish, west Highland, and white and Sealyham terriers. Bradshaw is contemplating going to England to bring the dogs across. It will probably interest dog fanciers to know that Mr. Bradshaw has imported more noted dogs to the Pacific Coast than any other fancier or judge.

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Local fanciers will regret to learn of the death of Mrs. Walter H. Reeves, wife of the well-known judge. Mrs. Reeves was killed by an automobile several weeks ago in Chicago.

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Dr. W. C. Billings, a local Airedale terrier fancier, is getting his crack terrier, Bilmer Bingo, in trim for the coming circuit of shows.

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Anyone who has had an extended experience in raising toy dogs knows the value of a cat as a foster mother, and Mme. Rose Carreno of Brooklyn can thank her pet cat Tootsie for raising two very fine Pekingese puppies which became motherless at birth and were adopted by the cat. These puppies are now three months old and arestrong and healthy. This is no new experience for the cat in question, as a year ago she raised a litter of three puppies for Mrs. Stanley W. Mirick of Sheepshead Bay.

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Dr. W. A. Mills of Wausau, Wis., has sold a very good Airedale bitch puppy, by Ch. Soudan Swiveller, ex Soo Ooorang, to J. D. Tobias, Los Angeles.

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Mrs. Leslie W. Hall, a well known fancier, has an interesting experience to relate of how she brought a dead puppy to life with the aid of a lung motor. The puppy was of the bulldog species and, when found, life seemed extinct, due to the fact that it had been mauled by other dogs. Its heart had stopped and there was no sign of life. As an experiment, Mrs. Hall treated the puppy with a lung motor used to save the young babies. After artificial respiration for two hours the puppy breathed of its own accord and showed signs of reviving. It has completely recovered and today is alive and vigorous. Mrs. Hall is enthusiastic over her success and she plans to use this lung motor on young puppies which have become suffocated at birth, which is a common occurrence with high bred dogs. She thinks in this way many valuable puppies which have heretofore been lost will be saved.

RECORD ENTRY FOR WESTMINSTER SHOW.

There will be more dogs benched at the fortieth annual dog show of the Westminster Kennel Club, to be held at Madison Square Garden during Washington's Birthday week, on February 22 to 25, than were benched last year. This is a fact, although the British entries of which advance notification has been received are not yet on hand. The delay is due to the examination of the mail by the war censors. The tabulated list of entries by breeds will then be prepared.

Only two American foxhounds were entered last year, but this time there are thirty single entries, a tribute to the judge, Harry W. Smith of Worcester, Mass., and to the energy of the Masters of Foxhounds' Association. English foxhounds reveal nearly as great an increase and the pack stakes for the two varieties and for the beagles, the "little hounds," will add eclat to the judging of the hound classes on the last afternoon of the show, A. Henry Higginson of South Lincoln, Mass., through whose efforts the Peterborough plan of classification has been adopted by the Westminster Kennel Club, will judge the English foxhounds and packs.

To note other breeds which have filled in excess of last year's benching there is a fifty per cent increase in Old English sheepdogs and proportionate advances in wirehaired fox terriers, Irish terriers, West Highland white terriers, Dandie Dinmonts, Welsh terriers, Sealyhams, Pomeranians, Pekingese, German shepherd dogs, Airedale terriers (although Mrs. Anita Baldwin has canceled her expected entries) and beagles (which are twice as many as last year, as a compliment to Edward H. Carle of Millbrook, who is to judge), while dachshunds, in recognition of the selection of Prof. Herbert Manborn of Nashville, Tenn., as judge, have drawn a liberal entry for the first time from the South and middle West, both hotbeds for the "at length" little hounds.

Robert McEwen of Byron, Ont., Can., has attracted an international and large entry of collies, while both French bulldogs and Boston terriers, the latter breed to be judged by George H. Keyes of Boston, Mass., have filled exceedingly well. The Philadelphia judges are J. Sergeant Price, for Irish terriers, and W. H. Whittem for the Scottish, West Highland white and Welsh terriers, and both will have large and representative classes.

Bulldogs will be one of the breeds to gain entries from the censored letters and Vinton P. Breese, the judge, will have very large classes in this and his other breeds. In bulldogs John R. Horrack's Toll Bar Jack, which made a successful first appearance at the Boston show, will make a New York debut against Alex. H. Stewart's Champion Strathtay Prince Albert and the other western, New England, Philadelphia, Newark and New York bulldogs of fame.

There is a record entry in wirehaired fox terriers, in which Chicago will be strongly represented, as the Vickery Kennels of that city has the largest entry. Mrs. Roy A. Rainey's $5,000 purchase from the Duchess of Newcastle, Wy Collar Boy and the bitch, Amor Perfection, will also add distinction to the wires. Others to make a New York first appearance will be the new importation of Andrew Albright, Jr., Baughfell Bumblebee, Brockley Gimcrack and his brother, Chapel Folly, owned by William Reay of Chicago, and the dogs of established fame here to oppose the newcomers will include George W. Quintard's notable string, Champion Wireboy of Paignton, Champion Matford Vic, Holmsbury Reva, and several home-bred puppies of promise. A wirehaired puppy that is regarded as a "comer" is Mrs. R. F. Mayhew's Fox Hills Sparkles, a well-named daughter of Raby Dazzler, while the Lynns of Port Huron, Mich., will be prominent in the younger and older sets of both smooths and wires.

The Vickerys are expected to make strong running among the smooth fox terriers, which have also strong representation in the entries of the von Pfizenmeyers and other noted eastern and western exhibitors. Airedale terriers will be nearly as strong in number as the wires and two of phenomenal merit from England are the puppy, Polam Maxim, entered by Norman Mackenzie of Toronto, Can., said to be a marvel, and the Vickery Kennel's Aman Gem. The selection of Winthrop Rutherford and Harold Ober as the judges, respectively, has been a magnet to draw the best collections of fox terriers and Airedales that has ever been entered for an American dog show.

MOUNTAIN LIONS KILL DEER.

Reporting to the forest supervisor at Placerville, Ranger Marshall Hughes of Georgetown gives details of the killing of deer by mountain lions in that vicinity. In a talk with Mr. Zoover of Nevada Point, above Georgetown, the following facts were determined:

On January 26 Zoover found four dead deer on the point between the bridge across Long canyon and Wallace canyon. On January 23 Zoover made a trip to the head of his ditch to see about water, and was led by his dogs to a little cover in the head of the ravine. In Pit canyon were found five dead deer and the body of a heifer belonging to McCullohs. Two were bucks and the rest does. Coyotes killed these, according to Zoover, as they were all ham-strung. About a mile below this point, on the Grizzly side, he found four deer killed by lions, while a little south were found two dead does and one buck, still alive, but unable to stand.

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The family of George Clemo, living on Gold Flat, had a terrifying experience at night when three big mountain lions came right up to the back door of the Clemo home.

The heavy snow has driven the animals out of the mountains to the low lands in search of food. They came through the Clema back field. A rabbit hutch containing a couple of rabbits failed to satisfy their appetites and they came clear to the house in their search for additional food.

They were heard roaring in the back yard. When they heard steps in the house they beat a retreat. In the morning tracks of three different lions were seen in the soft snow.

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Important negotiations are now being made by the reclamation department, Water Users' Association, the Churchill company, deeded land owners and the Homestead Association in Siskiyou county, by which it is hoped to abolish the "bird preserve," to keep the gates in, reclaim and release the land and secure and protect the interests of the people who have made application to file on the lands.



MEMBERS OF THE GOLDEN GATE GUN CLUB MAKING MERRY AT THEIR OLD ALAMEDA GROUNDS. THEY ARE NOW READY TO START THE SEASON ON TUESDAY AT A NEW HOME IN ALAMEDA. PHOTO BY C. H. JURGENS OF OAKLAND.

Trapshooting Season Is Now On In Full Bloom

Well, the Golden Gate Gun Club is going to continue to make its home in Alameda. At a meeting of the members a week ago last Thursday night it was decided to accept the proposition of the Shell Mound Park people to erect a trap-shooting grounds there and hold forth for the next two years, but an investigation made by the board of directors during the week brought out many flaws in the proposed site. In the first place it was discovered that there was room only for two traps and on the big days the club expects to keep at least three busy. Then a bothersome wind was in evidence and furthermore the members figured that the summer picnickers might interfere with their sport.

It was necessary to move from the West Alameda marsh because a dredger is digging right through the grounds. The members were up in the air over securing a place to shoot. The opening event had already been scheduled for February 22nd, which falls on Tuesday next. So the bunch hustled around some more and finally staked out a very suitable grounds in Alameda. It is on the marsh near the Alaska Packers' building. Members can get off at the Stanton Station and it is only a short walk to the grounds.

Manager Pete Ashcroft has gone to work with a vengeance to get everything in readiness for the big opening shoot. All of the boys have been polishing up their shooting irons and a big attendance is looked for.

The annual election resulted in the unanimous choice of Thomas Wilkes to fulfill the role of president. Mr. Wilkes has been very prominent in the club's affairs for the past couple of years and is an enthusiastic trap shooter who has the confidence of the members to guide the season's affairs. Frank Webster was equally as popular for vice-president and Clarence A. Haight, known as the "Father of Trap Shooting on the Pacific Coast," will be secretary with T. D. Riley as treasurer. The board of directors consists of W. H. Price, J. Harvey Jones and N. A. Howard. Barney Worthin will be captain. It was decided that in the future officers will be elected at the time of the last shoot of the season so that everyone will have a chance to express a choice.

New members have been enrolling with regularity during the week and the club's membership will be swelled to close to a hundred before the month is out. Last season there were about eighty-five.

The program for the season has been placed in the hands of the directors. At the time we went to press the events had not been definitely decided upon, although it was said that they will be practically the same as in 1915 with the exception that a trophy will be added to go o the amateur with the highest score.

PORTLAND GUN CLUB HAS SWELL QUARTERS.

J. Al Cook, The Western Cartridge representative, speaks glowingly of the progress and enterprise of the Portland trapshooters in fitting themselves out with one of the swellest and most up-to-date quarters of any place in the country. Mr. Cook spent six months in the northwest last year and the Portland Gun Club's grounds was a source of much pleasure and comfort to him.

"The Portland Gun Club members went about in the right way in getting their new and modern grounds," explains Mr. Cook. "The money necessary to purchase 21 acres within easy access of the city was raised through permitting each member to buy stock for $100 a share. Merchants of Portland were also asked to and did subscribe liberally. It was not a charity affair for the stock pays annually seven per cent.

"A beautiful two-story clubhouse was constructed with a gallery upstairs so that visitors and spectators can view the trapshooting competition in comfort. There are four traps, a lake for fly-casting operations, a tennis court and land that has been placed in cultivation. Plans are on foot now to provide pistol and rifle ranges so that sports of all sorts can be enjoyed.

"A ground keeper lives right on the place and sells the ammunition, besides having a dining room where members can order anything that strikes their fancy. A woods is near by and benches are handy for picnic parties. There are lawns around and it is a beautiful place. A member is proud to take out visitors. There isn't a day in the year, I think, when some one is not shooting. Certainly the traps are available and the attendant is always there so that you can enjoy yourself any time you feel like it.

"The Portland trapshooters are doing much to elevate the sport alluring on a par with golf. It is really a pleasure simply to visit the trap shooting grounds and it adds tone to the sport."

The picture Mr. Cook draws of the Portland Gun Club surroundings is certainly impressive and it brings to mind the need of similar comfortable trapshooting headquarters around San Francisco. Many devotees of the game have expressed a desire and need for a really up-to-date and modern clubhouse and grounds within easy access of San Francisco. How pleasant and proud local trapshooters could be if they had such a place as Portland boasts of. Mr. Cook suggests, why not get together and talk over ways and means of getting such a place.

"It's really not outside of our reach," he says. "We can work the financing end the same as it was done in Portland. It is a safe and sound business investment. The Portland Gun Club members who took stock are drawing down seven per cent and are paying off their indebtedness. There's no reason why we cannot have a trapshooting grounds here that would be a credit to San Francisco, the largest city in the far west. Certainly we need such a place and the sooner we get busy and put our shoulders to the wheel the sooner we will be able to enjoy the results."

Well, what about trapshooters around the bay points? Don't you think it is a good idea? The Breeder and Sportsman stands for the best interests of the sport and will be pleased to publish the views of any shooter on the subject.

SAN JOSE BLUE ROCK CLUB HOLDS SHOOT.

Editor, Breeder and Sportsman:

Fifty of our members were out Sunday to participate in a little shoot—the first shoot of 1916. The San Jose Blue Rock Club will hold its opening club shoot on March 5th.

George H. Anderson was trying out a new 34-inch Ithaca trap gun. After George gets it harnessed right to suit his cheek, he will make them all go some. C. H. Nash had his agle eye—91 out of a 100. He hasn't fired a shot since Phoenix, Arizona. Ray Hogg was shooting fine and did not fudge one. Ninety is some starter. William McKagney broke 45 in his last 50 and soon will be right. Billie is going down the big line with O. N. as his trainer this season.

The old hammer gun seemed to be right for the first 100 in 1916. It was 96 with 45 straight. The scores:

Shooter	Broke.	Shot at.
O. N. Ford	96	100
C. H. Nash	91	100
R. C. Hogg	90	100
Wm. J. McKagney	85	100
Geo. H. Anderson	85	100
A. B. Smith	80	100

Yours respectfully,
O. N. FORD,
Secretary, San Jose Blue Rock Club.

TRAPSHOOTERS SHOULD ORGANIZE.

In every line of endeavor, be it business, sports or otherwise, success is dependent in a great measure upon the degree of organization employed.

There is at present a woeful lack of organization among trapshooting clubs in some of the states, which is working against the best interests of the gun clubs, the individual members thereof, and the game at large.

A recent inquiry directed to the State Associations in every State in the Union developed the fact that an average of a mere 16% of all gun clubs in the States from which returns were received were affiliated with their State Associations. The returns received from this inquiry are given below:

State	No. Clubs in State.	Affiliated with State Ass's.	Not Affiliated with State Ass'ns.
Arkansas	24	7	17
Delaware	17	10	7
Illinois	297	17	280
Kansas	94	36	58
Maryland	57	16	41
Mississippi	20	14	6
Michigan	133	10	123
Nebraska	113	30	82
New Hampshire	12	7	12
New Jersey	168	14	154
New York	344	12	332
Pennsylvania	492	121	371
Rhode Island	11	5	6
South Dakota	49	9	40
Tennessee	24	15	9
Utah	15	6	9
Virginia	61	12	49
Wisconsin	164	8	156
Total	2101	349	1752

Some of the advantages to shooters and clubs in belonging to a State Association are:

1. Gives the club a standing in the trapshooting world as an active and progressive organization.

2. Makes the clubs eligible to hold registered tournaments and receive the money and trophy donations of The Interstate Association, and have the scores made in such tournaments included in the official trapshooting averages.

3. Brings the club and the club members in active touch with everything of interest and importance in the State affecting the sport.

4. In matters affecting sportsmen, as game laws for example—the voice of a strong association carries much more weight than that of an individual club, and the interests of club members can therefore be guarded much better by a strong state association.

5. Possibly some of your club members attend your State Shoot held each year under the auspices of your State Association. Every additional club joining the State Association means that much better annual state shoot will be held.

6. Trapshooting is good sport, and trapshooters are good sportsmen and good fellows. The more closely they are associated, the greater the pleasure and enjoyment from the sport for all.

The year 1915 was a highly successful one in trapshooting annuals and great progress was made in the advancement of the sport. With new clubs being formed everywhere, and a multitude of new and enthusiastic shooters taking up the sport, the outlook for 1916 is even better.

Shooters! Have your gun club join in your State Association now. Help make your State a leader in trapshooting. The initial fee and annual dues for your club will be but nominal. No sacrifices are required, and no trouble will be experienced by you or your club in becoming affiliated with your State Association. Just plain co-operation is needed from which all will benefit. There never was a time when it was more important than at present for trapshooters to be welded together in strong state bodies and a great national organization.

A WORD TO THE WISE—BE CAREFUL.

Now that the trap-shooting season is getting under way it will not be amiss to look over a list of the precautions to take for "safety first." It is always well to be careful. The game has been run happily without many accidents and it is hoped that 1916 will see even fewer. So remember—

Never point a gun at anybody, whether you know the gun is empty or not. The didn't-know-it-was-loaded excuse is one which can never be accepted as a satisfactory one. Sometimes a friend will ask you to put his gun to your shoulder to see how well it handles, etc. Make it a rule never to do so until after you have opened it and ascertained for yourself that it is harmless. Even if your friend has told you that it was not loaded, he will appreciate and approve of your extra care to avoid any possible accident.

Never put a shell in your gun except when you are at the score and ready to shoot. If the trap breaks down, or there is a temporary delay in the shooting, open your gun and take out the shell.

Never on gun club grounds place a loaded gun on your shoulder, nor let it rest in the hollow of your arm, raking the spectators or your comrades at the score, even if the hammer is at half-cock or "the safety up." Setting aside the possible danger in the operation, consider the feelings of the parties apparently threatened by your action, who know nothing about how the hammer is nor whether the safety bolt is on or off; all they know and realize is that it is decidedly uncomfortable at the least to be looking down the muzzle of a loaded gun.

Sportsmen's Row

Ed Schultze would like to have the club put duck bait in the ditch. Ed says he has his dog and gun in readiness.

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Fred Willets is in town again. Within an hour of his arrival Fred had an appointment made to locate new grounds. Fortunately the Golden Gates have a permanent home now, but Fred showed the right spirit.

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"Shorty" Wobber is going to be busy this year at the traps. He will either have to do that or get married or buy an automobile, for he would have too much time and money on his hands.

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Pete Ashcroft won't need that Big Ben clock he bought to keep him from over-sleeping on the opening day.

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The Golden Gate champion scratch shot, Tony Prior, thought he would stand in with the dredger crew to put the trap bulkhead ten yards nearer the 23-yard mark—and then they moved.

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Roy Avery was around the Copper Kettle Club the other day in an optimistic mood relative to the coming season. Keep smiling, Roy.

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Clarence Nauman says: "Boys, forget the past, just look forward to the grand opening on the new grounds. And believe me, Clarence has seen many grounds come and go.

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Our friend, George B. Smith, says shooting in Los Banos has been a little off, so for goodness' sake start the blue rocks going or he will go to Mexico.

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The Exposition Gun Club has gone out of existence. The boys had a lot of fun during the life of the exposition.

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Roy H. Standish paid us a visit to see if we are still shooting the loads he cooks for us. We notice, too, that Roy hasn't lost his appetite, judging from the scores he sets up.

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Plans are on foot, so it is reported, for the organization of a new blue rock club in San Diego. T. N. Dunn, manager of the Barker Gilmore store, is a prime mover in getting the shooters together.

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The Vernon Gun Club is in a prosperous and healthy condition. With so many shooters turning out every Sunday it couldn't be otherwise.

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George Adleman reports that he has heard that the Oregon State tournament has been secured by Albany and that the Northwest tournament will go to Spokane. Spokane was in the field for the Pacific Coast Handicap and this may mean that the way has been cleared for the Portland Gun Club to get the attraction.

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Ed Morton of Reno is an active worker in keeping up the trapshooting interest in Nevada. He is a good man for the sport.

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George W. Wingfield is on a visit to New York but he is expected back within the next couple of weeks and he will likely be seen in the California-Nevada Interstate Shoot.

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The Vernon club has a fish net stretched out about fifty feet and it works remarkably well in saving the targets. It stands about ten feet high on an angle and catches the birds and then they roll to the ground to be gathered in by the boys. Saving scheme, that.

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Following the lead of Red Bluff and many other western towns, Los Molinos has organized a National Rifle Club with a membership of 30. The organization was perfected Sunday at a meeting when the following officers were elected:

President, W. B. Salisbury; vice-president, W. E. Underhill; secretary,, Charles Hertzog; treasurer, R. M. Salter; executive officer (training master), F. A. Russell. The club is to be known as the Los Molinos Tehama Rifle Club.

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H. D. Becker, deputy fish and game commissioner, arrested a Japanese by the name of Frank Rimi near Sawtelle and charged him with shooting deer out of season. A search of Rimi's house disclosed a green hide, supposedly that of a doe. Justice Webber of Santa Monica fined Rimi $100.

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"Pop" Bruner announces the winners of the sterling silver blackbird watch fobs which were up for competition at the Vernon Gun Club during October, November and December as follows: Dr. Packard, class A; R. L. Hall, class B; Dierdoff, class C, and Mrs. C. E. Groat, class D.

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E. F. King, the professional trapshooter, is now residing in Spokane, Wash., and has joined the Spokane Gun Club.

Jas. M. Barrett, champion of Georgia, is doing missionary work for "the sport alluring" in that State and he predicts a record-breaking entry list in the Georgia championship meet this spring. Barrett, by the way, has been doing a lot of hunting with "Ty" Cobb, the ball player, during the winter.

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The Big Time Gun Club of Sacramento, which has 150 members, the largest membership of any club on the Pacific Coast, plans an active season during the coming spring and summer. It expects to begin trap shooting towards the end of March or early in April.

The club has traps on the Schenk place, south of Sacramento, and this year it is planned to construct concrete traps along the most modern lines for the benefit of the sportsmen. Grass will be planted on the place and everything possible will be done to make the club's headquarters as attractive as possible.

The improvements will all have been completed by the time shooting begins next month.

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Bob Sangster added to his reputation last Sunday at the San Antonio near Mud Hen by landing a 37-pound striped bass. It is reported as the largest pulled in so far this season.

BIG BLUE JAY HUNT PLANNED.

Redding and Shasta county sportsmen are planning to hold a "blue jay" hunt in March or April. The object is to kill as many jays as possible, it being known that the California bluejay each year is responsible for the destruction of quail eggs and young quail by the thousands.

Ten years ago a "bluejay campaign" was held in Shasta county and thousands of the predatory birds were killed. A Happy Valley farmer, a Grand Army veteran, earned the title of the "Blue Jay King" as well as a valuable prize for killing several thousands of jays.

This year the Shasta sportsmen intend to divide into two teams. The team that displays the least number of scalps at the close of the campaign must furnish a dinner for the winning team.

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Reports from El Dorado, Placer, Calaveras, Amador and Nevada counties are that millions of wild pigeons can now be seen in that section, having been driven to lower altitudes by the snow in the higher peaks. Sportsmen say that there are almost as many birds as there were years ago in this State, and in some sections they are reported to be breaking down the smaller limbs of trees with their weight while roosting.

The wild pigeons have been protected by the State and Federal laws since 1913, when they had become almost extinct in California. They are now multiplying very fast and it is expected that their numbers will be sufficiently large to re-open the season with a small bag limit in 1918.

Unlike the quail and some other game birds, there is no danger of the pigeons starving because of the snow. They can fly great distances in a short time and have no difficulty in finding food.

RESULTS AT SHELL MOUND RANGE.

The result of the regular bullseye shoot, which was held at the Shell Mound range, have been tabulated. The record shows the name of William Guilds at the top of the list that measured .12 from a dead center. The records of this competition follow:

William Guild, .12; C. M. Krual, .17; R. S. Wixon, .21½; Capt. H. Gaetjen, .23½; K. O. Kindgren, .24; L. S. Hawxhurst, .25; O. A. Poulson, .25; Capt. C. W. Seeley, .29; Capt. Geo. Larsen, .41; H. Furrmann, .44; B. Brunje, .48; E. Scheirbaum, .51.

Standing of the members on the special bullseye 200-yard range.

C. W. Seeley 160, K. O. Kindgren 170, Al Thompson 195&, L. Ericksen 326½, G. R. Hauser 387, F. A. McLaughlin 450, E. Scheirbaum 252, C. Weggermann 255, C. Otten 199, P. Kulik 87, J. J. Bender 105.

Special bullseye 50-yard range:

A Thompson	21	11	3½—	41½
F. Poulter	15	21	26 —	62
F. A. McLaughlin	21	22	26 —	69
E. Scheirbaum	00½	36	44 —	79½
C. Otten	20	26	40 —	86
H. Kroeckel ..N	19½	32	37 —	88½
C. W. Seeley	27	29	37 —	93
L. S. Hawxhurst	3	45½	52 —	100½
G. R. Hauser	10	26½	77½—	114
K. O. Kindgren	29½	35	69 —	133½
K. Purrmann	39	42	50 —	141
C. M. Kraul	4	83½	99 —	186½
W. Guild	34	67	95 —	196
P. Kulik	53	60	110 —	223
L. Ericksen	63½	82½	145 —	291
R. S. Wilson	71	109	133 —	313
H. Gaetjen	85½	150	150 —	385½
T. H. Johnson	71	78	—	

G. E. Kimball, shooting for the first time in the champion class of the Golden Gate Club, made a score of 99 out of a possible 100, the highest score of the day.

Following are the principal scores of the day:

Golden Gate Rifle and Pistol Club, pistol scores—G. E. Kimball 93, 99, 96, 92; Dr. R. A. Summers 78, 80, 85, 87, 82, 85; J. J. Currier 83, 86, 86, 82; C. W. Whaley, 83, 86, 85; T. Lain 86, 85, 87; E. Helm 83; C. W. Randall 95; G. Armstrong 96, 95; W. C. Prichard 91, 92, 93, 94, 92; C. T. Sisson 83, 85, 83.

Golden Gate Rifle and Pistol Club, monthly rifle scores—B. P. Jonas 210, 221; George A. Pattberg 223; J. G. Day 203; J. H. Sutter 212; J. H. McNett 157, 192, 184; E. Scheirbaum 230, 218, 217, 213; E. Helm 212, 218, 215, 211; J. F. Bridges 210, 199; M. F. Blasse 223; M. M. Housner 219; H. Purrman 173; O. A. Bremer 220.

Germania Schuetzen Club, re-entry rifle scores—William F. Blasse 228, 227; George A. Pattberg 228, Clarence M. Henderson 225, 221, 220, 217; O. A. Bremer 224, 214; B. P. Jonas 218, John de Wit 195.

Nordeutscher Schuetzen Club, monthly ring shoot, best scores of the day—Henry Luneburg 203, 211; George W. Dieckmann 202, 204; Lieutenant J. F. Mues 177, 189.

Swiss Rifle Club, monthly medal shoot—Frank Muhlebach 227, 220; John Frei 222, 212; J. A. Sutter 212, 200; H. Perrin 211, 190; A. Schwarz 210, 209; U. Ihdorf 209, 208; E. Pohli 208, 199; L. Hauser 206, 193; J. R. Stalder 204, 200; C. Ott 204, 190; A. E. Hinterman Jr. 200, J. Baumann 196, 192; H. Tschopp 190, John S. Leutenegger 185, 180; F. Sutter 178, A. von Wyl 172.

Swiss Rifle Club, monthly bullseye shoot—J. R. Stalder 245, John Baughmann 323, A. E. Hintermann 538, Charles Bachmann 670, John Frei 800, J. A. Sutter 825, A. von Wyl 900, A. Schwarz 990, H. Tschopp 1005, F. Muhlebach 1075, A. Hintermann Sr. 1415, E. Pohli 1485, Frank Suter 1500, H. Perrin 1600.

Independent Rifles, monthly shoot—Sergeant P. Petersen 66, A. Williams 65, Sergeant H. Hilken 63, J. Donovan 45, George Steffen 46, Carl Martens 3, H. Pape 57, H. Marzolf 52, Lieutenant J. Siebe 34, H. Broderson 14, K. Edel 27, Lieutenant P. Volkmann 48, J. M. Hauser 39, F. Schohey 54, Sergeant J. Eichner 46, B. Hassler 57, J. Donovan 31, Corporal E. R. Golch 40, E. Abraham 48.

GREAT FISHING AMONG THE SIERRAS.

No country in the West affords the wonderful fishing and camping opportunities of the high Sierras, and the lakes on the eastern slopes of these mountains, according to Stanley Smith. Mr. Smith and his wife have just returned from a 2300-mile trip which carried them into the roughest and wildest sections of the State, says a Los Angeles reporter. Mr. Smith drove a white Premier roadster with trailer for camp equipment.

The first day's journey took them to Willow Springs, as they did not leave Los Angeles until noon. The second day's run was to Bishop, and there they found it necessary to buy a nentirely new equipment of flys and hooks for their trout fishing, as every one told them tens and twelves were not large enough for the eighteen and twenty-inch fish they could expect to hook.

Above Bishop, in the Diablo Canyon, they encountered their first really bad road. Narrow roads, dusty and rutty, made the going extremely bad. Thirty miles beyond the canyon they turned into a ranch and crossed ten miles of open country, climbing all the time until they reached the place which they had selected for their camp. It was a quarter of a mile below Convict Lake, high up on the eastern slope of the Sierras. The lake is at an altitude of 8,000 feet.

The shores of the lake were covered with snow. Pitching their big tent, which was part of the trailer equipment, they established a camp which was to be home for a week. It was in the heart of the mountains, and they could not see more than half a mile on any side. The mountains all around rose to a height of 12,000 feet.

The fishing was wonderful. In addition to the trout, they had plenty of meat and vegetables, which were obtained at a ranch and kept fresh in the snow.

During their entire stay, seven days, at the lake, they saw only two persons. The only animal life they encountered was deer. They saw many does and several bucks.

Convict lake is 350 miles from Los Angeles, and is one of a chain of lakes in this great mountain country which affords some of the finest fishing in the world. Very few anglers ever reach the lakes to molest them, and there is never any question about getting a limit catch in an hour or so.

The camp equipment which was carried in the trailer made "roughing it" almost as luxurious as staying at home. The equipment included a big tent with windows, and an awning in front, a refrigerator, a portable bathtub, a stove, a carpet for the tent and electric lights for illumination at night.

STRAWBERRY BASS TO BE PLANTED.

The Strawberry bass, introduced into California by the State Fish and Game Commission, is going to supplant the undesirable Sacramento perch, according to George Neale, in charge of the Sacramento district. The strawberry bass was planted in Sutterville Lake, south of Sacramento, and other waters of the State, and through the Paine and Edwards and Washington breaks of the Sacramento river levees on the west side, were scattered through the waters of theinterior valleys.

Other species of fish imported into California, such as the yellow perch, crappie and blue sunfish, are propagating in an encouraging manner in the State fishing streams.

DARK HORSE WINS AT VERNON.

Calculations went awry Sunday when the Vernon Gun Club staged the fifteenth fifty-bird handicap trap shoot for the W. H. Wilshire trophy. T. P. Smith, a little better than a novice at the game, annexed his first victory on the trophy by breaking forty-eight birds from sixteen yards. This is the first time known that Smith has ever figured in the winning, and he deserves great credit for coming to the front in rapid-fire style.

The ol' handicap committee held a hurried consultation last week, knowing well that either Stan Bruner, Louis Mellus or "Doc" Packard might win their third win on the trophy, and then the competition would be over, and naturally they shoved the three contestants back to twenty-one yards, which made it exceedingly tough for them. But nevertheless they rung up wonderful scores, Bruner a 45x50, Mellus a 44x50 and Packard a 43x50.

The crowd which turned out to compete put one in mind of big tournaments. Eighty shooters were there. It was the largest crowd on a Southern California gun club grounds in two years. All three traps were kept busy until late in the afternoon, and nearly 2000 targets were thrown.

The only shooter to come near Smith's score was Charles Knight ,a professional shooter of the Winchester Arms Company. He broke forty-seven from nineteen yards.

Both old-time cracks, Heine Pfirrmann and Frank Mellus, broke forty-six each from twenty yards. Mellus is now satisfied with life and his shooting of late, having smashed all previous high run records at Vernon by breaking eighy-five straight.

A squad of small-bore cracks busted a few of the Carhawks with their twentyties and twenty-eights. The 4.10 squad failed to put in an appearance.

Red Hedderly was high gun in the 20-gauge shoot, breaking forty-four of the clay birds out of fifty thrown. Peter "Pep" Peterson broke a "40."

There were ten of the 20-gauge "nuts," as Hedderly calls them.

Jim Matfield, a former favorite and crack shot of the days when the blue rock killers shot out beyond Westlake park, visited the club with Louis Breer. They shot off a match to test their skill in a sport which seemed new to them, as they haven't fired a gun for many years.

"Film shootin'" George Melford must have bought a new gun, as he broke a "43" in the Wilshire competition from seventeen yards. Bill Pugh broke a "44" in the Wilshire shoot, and he is now shooting from eighteen yards. Bill has been doing some good shooting of late, but does his boasting silently.

Ed Mitchell, a professional of the Selby Company, was shoved back by the fence along with Bruner, Mellus and Packard, and broke forty-five out of fifty.

One of thefeatures of the day was the two women shoots, Mrs. Heine Pfirrmann and Mrs. C. E. Groat. Mrs. Pfirrmann broke forty birds from sixteen yards and Mrs. Groat forty-three. This shooting was a great deal better than that of some of the men shooters.

Steve Fullerton attempted to outrival some of the Track's loud-colored sweaters with a gray one and some mysterious colored sleeves, but he was outclassed and dazzled by Mrs. Groat in a beautiful rose-colored one.

The scores in all three events follow:

Wilshire competition:

Shooter—	Hdcp. Yds.	Score. Bke.	Thr.
m R. Smith	19	43	50
ank Mellus	20	46	50
anton Bruner	21	45	50
Kunz	18	38	50
L. Hall	19	43	50
s. Heine Pfirrmann	16	40	50
nmy Hoblit	17	45	50
eine Pfirrmann	20	46	50
anderville	17	41	50
oor	16	41	50
H. Wilshire	17	43	50
H. Richards	16	34	50
ougherty	17	40	50
rewell	19	43	50
illiam Pugh	18	44	50
meshon	18	44	50
hite	18	43	50
H. Knight	19	47	50
Mitchell	21	43	50
Packard	21	43	50
orge Oliver	16	..	..
nney	16	43	50
cum	16	31	50
llerton	17	41	50
ams	17	..	..
E. Peterson	17	36	50
hn	16	36	50
tke	16	33	50
orge Melford	17	43	50
rdoff	17	45	50
rry Cline	17	37	50
. Fitzgerald	20	38	50
R. Werdin	16	41	50
A. Evans	17	45	50
u Mellus	20	44	50
ropshire	16	..	..
derson	16	43	50
E. Groat	16	39	50
s. C. E. Groat	16	41	50
Groat	16	..	..

20-gauge shotgun event:

Ed Hedderly, shot at 50, broke 44; Fitzgerald 50—; Adam Smith 25—17, Billy Wilshire 50—36, J. P. nnolly 50—36, P. E. Peterson 50—40, Fred Grew- 25—15.

16-gauge shoot—

Dr. C. Richards shot at 100, broke 59; Ed Hedrly 75—67, O. Evans 25—21.

Practice shooting—

George Oliver shot at 50, broke 30; Kinney 50—37, Saville 50—27, Yocum 74—52, Bole 50—30, Steve Fullerton 100—83, Adams 50—38, Van Nest 75—66, Shadwell 25—7, Pete Peterson 25—20, Hahn 25—15, Sutke 25—17, Melford 125—102, Dierdoff 25—23, Harry Cline 50—39, Dr. Fitzgerald 50—40, E. R. Werdin 50—36, J. C. Cline 50—41, Hedderly 50—43, L. A. Brown 25—14, O. A. Evans 100—86, Lou Mellus 100—89, Shropshire 25—12, T. P. Smith 50J43, Connelly 25—19, Anderson 25—21, C. E. Groat 75—64, Mrs. Groat 50—43, Cooper 75—66, Daniels 25—21, Fox 25—17, Hunter 50—43, F. M. Bockway 25—6, Williams 75—71, Porter 25—10, Housley 25—21, L. B. Clark 50—44, Thomas 25—5, Dr. Freeman 25—20, Brawner 25—23, Louis Breer 50—41, Sam Smith 25—19, Frank Mellus 175—167, Stanton Bruner 75—72, J. Kunz 100—84, R. L. Hall 125—117, Mrs. Pfirrmann 75—50, Jimmy Hoblitt 50—40, H. Pfirrmann 125—118, J. E. Davis 50—29, Russ Chenoweth 50—16, Bob Canfield 50—29, Korner 50J31, Matfield 50—44, Geo. Tuckett 50—36, H. T. Brown 50—31, Manderville 75—63, Foor 50J23, Carpentier 31—50, W. H. Wilshire 50—44, Richards 50—43, Bill Dougherty 75—64, Fred Grewell 50—44, Bill Pugh 50—42, Fameshon 100—90, White 150—129, Charles Knight 125—117, Ed Mitchell 100—98, Packard 50—22.

VICE-PRESIDENT ADVOCATES SHOOTING.

Washington, D. C.—In a recent public address here Vice-President Thomas R. Marshall advocated military training of students in the schools and colleges of the country. "I want some sort of education in the educational institutions of the land whereby our young men may be taught three things—how to take care of their health, how to take orders and how to fire a gun," said the Vice-President.

Just such work is being carried on by the National Rifle Association of America in co-operation with the National Board for Promotion of Rifle Practice, and as a result there are today in our public high and preparatory schools, our military schools and our colleges and universities, a large class of young men trained and being trained in the art of rifle firing.

This training really began several years ago in New York City where Gen. George W. Wingate, who is regarded by many as the "Father of Rifle Practice," organized the Public Schools Athletic League. Of late years the National Rifle Association has organized rifle clubs in the schools, colleges and universities and today there is hardly an institution of this kind without its rifle team.

The clubs are offered inducements to train in rifle shooting by the issuance to them of rifles and ammunition by the government, and by annual competitions for school and college championships which carry with them trophies and medals. This training is had with 22 calibre rifles and at a distance of 50 feet, and prizes are also given for making qualifying scores. At present rifle clubs are organized in about 80 public high and preparatory schools, in 35 military schools and in 60 colleges and universities.

These clubs are now participating in the annual indoor rifle competitions of the National Rifle Association, the shooting covering a period of ten or more weeks. Forty college, 34 high school and 20 military school rifle clubs are competing for rifle championship in their class. There are ten men on each team and each shoots 20 shots in each weekly match. The scores of the five highest for each match are counted for record. Major Fred H. Phillips Jr., Secretary of the National Rifle Association, Washington, is daily in receipt of applications for the formation of additional clubs. In January two college and four school clubs were organized.

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Snipe are becoming more plentiful on the grassy overflows, but the season closed with that on ducks, and sportsmen must take comfort in the hope that "Long-Billed John" will wax fat and prosper so they can get more of him in the short open season henceforth.

When Trout Is Trout and Not Salmon

EXPERTS GIVE THEIR OPINIONS

Such a controversy has been going on recently over the question, "When is a trout a trout and not a salmon?" that we have secured some letters on the subject from experts of the Fish and Game Commission. These men, Professor H. C. Bryant and N. B. Scofield, have spent years in studying the subject up for discussion and are qualified to know whereof they speak. The letters are as follows:

"Editor, Breeder and Sportsman,—

"Dear Sir: Your letter is at hand in which you ask about salmon and steelhead and the law in relation thereto. While the steelhead is known in some places as a salmon or a salmon trout, it is in fact a trout and not a salmon. Steelhead and salmon differ from each other in structure and habits, although in general appearance they are much the same. The bones of salmon are much softer than in steelhead and other trout and the salmon skull is full of air spaces.

"The trout spawn more than once, the salmon but once and then die without returning to salt water. The young of the salmon nearly all leave the stream within one year after hatching while many of the young of steelhead remain two and three years before leaving the sea. The mature steelhead as it enters the fresh water from the sea is a more slender fish than the salmon and not so deep. The steelhead is spotted, the spots larger and more numerous on the posterior part of the body and on the tail. The only salmon with which it is likely to be confused in our state waters is the silver salmon or 'hook bill,' which has few or no spots.

"The steelhead's tail fin is square along its posterior edge—that of the salmon concave. It is impossible to pick a steelhead up by the tail, while with a salmon it is rather easy. If the difference can still not be told from the above character, the number of rays in the anal fin is a sure method of distinguishing them. The anal fin is the single, unpaired fin on the ventral side of the fish. The salmon have 12 or more developed rays in this fin while the steelhead, and also the other trout, have less than 12 developed rays. In counting the rays, the last or branched ray is counted as one. In the salmon the longest ray of the anal fin is shorter than the base of the fin and when the rays are dispersed or caused to lie down, the tips of the first and longest rays will not reach quite to the base of the last ray. In the trout the longest ray is longer than the base of the fin and when the fin is dispersed the first rays reach beyond the base of the last ray.

This all sounds rather complicated, but to those who are familiar with salmon and steelhead it is an easy matter to distinguish them by their general appearance even when they are swimming in the water.

"That there might be no more confusion, under the law, as to what is a salmon and what is a steelhead, the following paragraph was inserted in Sec. 634 of the Penal Code by the last legislature:

"'4. For the purpose of this act and all acts relating thereto, a salmon is any fish of the salmon family belonging to the genus Oncorhynchus, and a steelhead is the trout known as steelhead salmon, salmon trout, Salmo gairdneri or Salmo rivularis.'

"As to there being a limit on steelhead different from that on salmon, as to where 'Mr. Angler gets off' in case he mistakes a steelhead for a salmon and thus gets over his limit of steelhead unintentionally, we can only say that if he can not tell what he is going to get on his hook or with his spear he should stop fishing when he gets his two steelhead.

"Yours respectfully,

"FISH AND GAME COMMISSION,

(Signed) "N. B. SCOFIELD,

"Commercial Fisheries Dept."

"Museum of Vertebrate Zoology,

"Berkeley, Cal., Feb. 11, 1916.

"Fish and Game Commission,

"734 Mills Bldg., San Francisco.

"Gentlemen:

"I desire to make the following report on the hearing held at Santa Rosa February 9, 1916. Mr. Walter Nagle, Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, very kindly arranged for the meeting and advertised it so well that more than fifty men were present. Mr. N. B. Scofield and myself arrived in Santa Rosa early in the afternoon and were met by Deputies Lencioni and Smith. The hearing was held in the Board of Supervisors' rooms in the Court House and was called to order by Mr. Nagle, who introduced me as chairman of the meeting. After a short address on the work of the Fish and Game Commission and the educational work recently instituted, Mr. Scofield was called upon to make clear the differences between a trout and a salmon. Specimens were on exhibition to illustrate the points mentioned.

"Following Mr. Scofield's talk the meeting was thrown open and numerous questions were asked regarding salmon and rout. Discussion then centered on the methods by which trout and salmon could be caught. By a vote of 17 to 1, it appeared to be the sense of the meeting that a gaff-hook should be included with a spear as a means of taking trout and salmon in District 2 during the winter open season. Thirty-four (unanimous) voted in favor of placing the limit at one fish instead of two during this season of the year. At the end of the meeting a unanimous vote of thanks was tendered the representatives of the Fish and Game Commission, and everyone seemed to be very much pleased with the way in which the hearing was carried out.

"One man reported that he had seen over thirty steelhead trout dead as a result of oil from the Pacific Gas and Electric Company's plant and tanneries near Santa Rosa. He also stated that it was doubtful whether a conviction could be obtained owing to the fact that Santa Rosa had no out-fall sewer. Another man suggested that the season on valley quail should be closed for a few years in order to allow the birds to recuperate. Hesaid that these birds were becoming very scarce in Sonoma county.

"I am convinced that hearings of this kind will develop a better understanding between those who fish and hunt and the Commission to which is delegated the function of conserving wild life.

"Very truly yours,

(Signed) "H. C. BRYANT,

"Game Expert, in Charge of Education, Publicity and Research."

THE FARM

THE NECESSARY DRAFT HORSE.

The draft horse industry, in common with other lines of animal husbandry, has been somewhat depressed during the yast year, but that it is a permanent and necessary industry admits of no argument. In my judgment the future offers great promise to the farmer who approaches draft horse production equipped with an understanding of his own needs and the market demands. It can be said to day, as perhaps it could never have been said before with such force, that the farmers' needs and the market demands are identical. Horses that will most efficiently and economically answer the farmer's purposes are in demand and will bring the highest prices in the draft horse markets. There are reasons for this situation that in former years did not exist, at least not to the same extent.

In the first place, farm labor is high and to economize it must be made more efficient. Man labor costs more; it must accomplish more. Instead of a man working in the field with a team of medium-sized horses operating a single plow, harrow or other farm implement, he must direct horse-power that will accomplish double or more than double the work. Therefore, more horsepower is necessary. In providing more horsepower for the farm prudence dictates that we consider its relation to conditions off the farm.

It would not be wise to add to our farm horsepower by providing more light horses. They do not hitch well; neither do they sell well. Modern machinery fits heavy horses. A 5-horse hitch of drafters to a double-gang plow or a 6- or 7-horse hitch to a triple-gang, will do two times as much work in the one case and three times as much in the other as a man can do with a single team. And the 5 draft horses do that which would require 7 or more light-weight horses to do; there are two less to care for and provide stabling and equipment for. The draft hitch is much more desirable and economical. And draft horses are salable.

There is another phase of farm conditions that forces the use of more horsepower in the cultivation of the soil. In the earlier days of agriculture when grain growing was the chief pursuit it required much less horsepower to plow and cultivate the fields. The soil was full of humus and free from noxious weeds; under present conditions, with a rotation system that includes meadows and pastures and where large herds and flocks trample over the fields day after day packing the earth which becomes thickly sodded—too often with tough quack grass and thistle roots in addition to timothy, clover and alfalfa roots—it takes power to pull the plow; it takes lots of power. Much more cultivation is necessary than formerly. The use of disk and spring-tooth harrows, drills and cultivators is imperative to eradicate weeds and to keep the soil in condition to permit the closest approach to the maximum of production. And all this demands horsepower. The demand is best met with the modern draft horse, which should be produced on the farm. Not only does the farmer thus supply himself with the horses best suited to his needs, but he may produce a surplus which he will be able to dispose of at prices that will be pleasing to him.

Modern conditions have forced many changes in methods of agriculture, and in no phase of farm economy has the change been more marked, nor the demand for change more insistent, than in the horse department. The automobile has forced the driving horse off the roads and has taken away every inducement to his production, at least from a practical, business standpoint. The driving horse is of little use on the farm, and there is no market for him off the farm. Nor is there a place for the go-between—he is hyphenated—either on the farm or from the standpoint of selling for a satisfactory profit.

Looking at the question from any standpoint it seems that draft horse production, both to serve the needs of the farm for motive power and to realize a profit in the sale of the surplus, is a branch of stock husbandry to which the farmer can well afford to give careful attention. The farmer must know the needs of those to whom he must sell, and then if they coincide with his own needs he can easily meet the market demand.

It seems to me that never before in the history of agriculture have the conditions been such that the farmer could eo easily direct his affairs in harmony with the movements in other great channels of industry. Intelligence and scientific adjustment of our affairs are bringing us into a more close relation as a great co-operative organization. This is especially true with respect to the draft horse business.

According to available information horses are produced upon a comparatively small percent of the farms of the country—about 25 in 100. This means that 75 percent of the farms of the country are supplied with horsepower through purchase. It looks like bad business for the farmers who buy. Farm work should be done largely with brood mares, supplemented with the work of colts approaching maturity and marketable age. The mares can produce foals while doing the ordinary farm work and if intelligently handled neither the mare nor the foal will suffer. In this way the supply of horsepower may be kept up and from a sale of the surplus substantial additions may be added to the farm income. The surplus will consist largely of the geldings, which, if big enough and good enough, will sell readily for the draying work of the cities. In fact, geldings are more desirable for city use, while mares are more profitable to keep upon the farm—another harmonious relationship between the farm and city, and a happy one.

The time may come, and probably the day is not so far distant when we may consider its possibilities, when cheaper motive power will be utilized, both on and off the farm, than is furnished either by horses, steam or gasoline. Some day all the great waterpowers of the world will be used to gather into usable form that wonderfully indestructible power we call electricity. The soil will be left to produce food for the millions with the minimum of waste. There is no doubt of this, but never will horses be entirely unnecessary. Any way, we need them today, and economically speaking, we need the best type of draft horses.—W. L. Houser, in Breeders' Gazette.

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RANGE HORSES AS WAR STEEDS.

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these few had immense herds and they waxed rich, for markets were good and there was no crowding.

But newcomers drifted into the range country, took up choice bits of government land, noted the success of the old-timers with horses and went straightway and attempted to do likewise. This crowded the business and it is not at all strange that of the many fine herds offered at the annual horse sales held at Gillette, Wyoming, Miles City, Montana, and other towns many should be driven back to their ranges by the owners rather than sell atprices offered. This has been the case during the past few years and before the outbreak of the European war.

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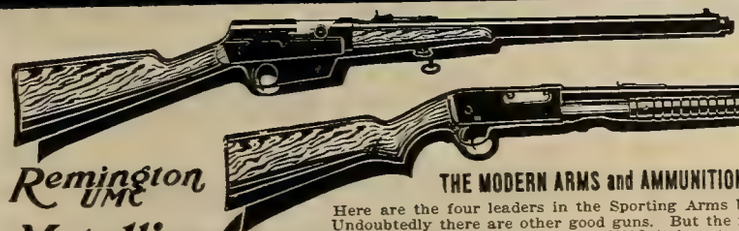
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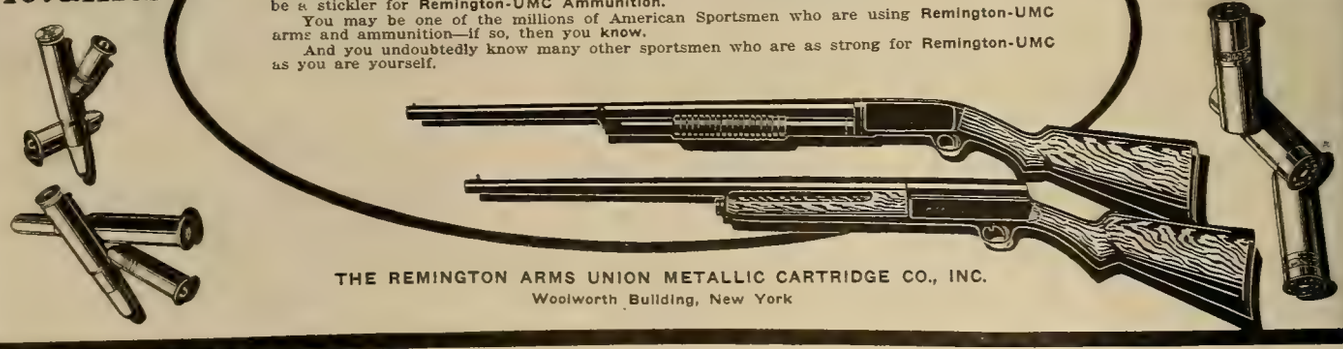
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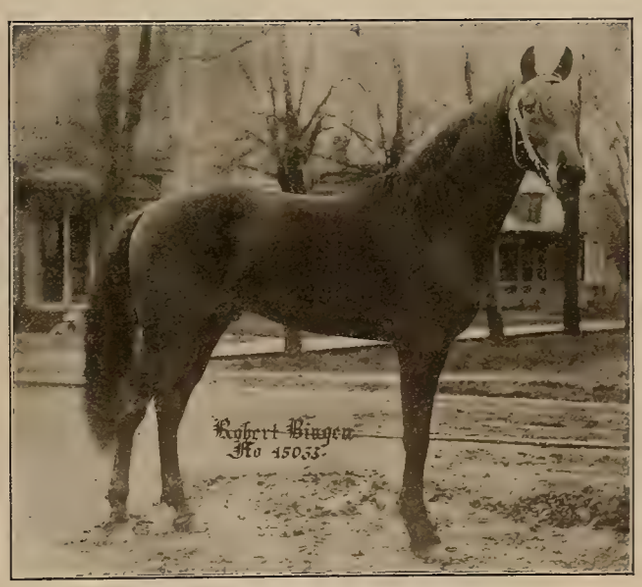
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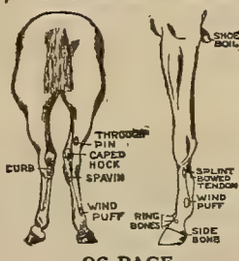
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FAIR ASSOCIATION DISSOLVES.

We are informed by Mr. I. L. Borden of this city that his resignation as president of the Pacific Coast District Fair Association will be tendered each member of that organization by today's mail, and that all memberships paid in are being refunded at the same time, so that the affairs of that short-lived concern will be fully wound up by tonight and it will be up to the horsemen to take a fresh start. Some two weeks ago Mr. Borden made an appeal to members for suggestions as to their wishes under the conditions facing them, caused by the resignation of R. A. Smith as secretary and the failure of the subscription list to attain sufficient proportions to make the subscriptions binding. The response from members was very slight, no definite plans for the future were submitted, and under these conditions Mr. Borden thought the only thing for him to do was to refund every man's money and consider the organization dissolved, thus clearing the path for any other plan of action horsemen as a whole wish to adopt. Whether they will undertake any concerted action is a matter as yet undecided, but in view of the fate of their former effort it seems very doubtful.

However, from correspondence that finds its way into this office, it is evident that there is throughout the state a very favorable sentiment toward the holding of fairs with harness racing, and in spite of the flivver made by the horsemen the local associations and the P. C. T. H. B. A. will, between them, provide more racing than has been the case in this section since 1912. The secretaries at various points are now in communication with each other and with this office in an effort to arrange dates which will allow several weeks of continuous racing without conflict, and as soon as any arrangements are completed the same will be made public in these columns.

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GOVERNMENT OPENS A FREE EMPLOYMENT BUREAU IN SAN FRANCISCO.

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Every post office is supplied with blank forms of application for the benefit of farmers and others who seek help, and the man who wants employment. These blanks are transmitted through the mail to the office of the Bureau in San Francisco, without postage. This service is free to the employer and employee. Applications can be made with the blank forms, by telephone, letter or personal call.

Furthermore, it is the object of the Bureau to promote a beneficial distribution of the unemployed in the congested communities throughout the country and bring the landless man to the manless land. It is also a division of information for the benefit of the prospective settler, the farmer in need of help, and the person seeking work.

All applications are honored by registration, and an effort made to supply the demand.

A corps of efficient officers have been detailed by the Commissioner of Immigration at this port, to attend to this work exclusively.

The Division is a branch of the Bureau of Immigration, under the supervision of the U. S. Department of Labor, Washington, D. C.

ALAMEDA COUNTY IN LINE FOR FAIR.

At a recent meeting of the Alameda County Fair Association it was definitely decided to hold a fair this season along the lines of those given prior to the date of the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, Alameda county that year following the pattern set by other fairs in the northern portion of the state and allowing the usual event to go by the boards in deference to the wishes of the exposition officials. So auspicious is the general outlook for the prosperity of the county this season that it is confidently expected that a better fair than ever will be the result of the association's efforts. The Pleasanton business men have always donated liberally to any cause that puts money in circulation locally, and it is also understood that the county supervisors will appropriate a sum of several hundred dollars for the benefit of the fair from the county's advertising fund.

While the dates for this year's fair were not claimed, it is the intention to follow as closely after the state fair as is practicable, the officers of the association being at present in correspondence with those of other organizations of a similar nature throughout the state to the end that dates may be arranged without conflict, so that horsemen, stockgrowers and exhibitors of all kinds may take full advantage of all the meetings. The Alameda fair will be staged at Pleasanton Driving Park, where there are ample accommodations for exhibits of every nature, and where the facilities for the racing end of the program are unsurpassed.

The meeting of the stockholders was held in the pavilion at the driving park, and along with the other business transacted the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, E. E. Hall; Vice-President, N. S. Boone; Treasurer, H. P. Mohr; Secretary, W. J. Dakin, while these and the following gentlemen will compose the board of directors: A. W. Glass and E. C. Harland, Contra Costa county; Manuel Brown, Warm Springs; E. H. Stevenson, Centerville; Harold Meek and F. Winton, Hayward; William McDonald, Livermore; L. J. Gerloff, Dublin, and C. H. Schween, T. H. Silver and W. J. Martin, Pleasanton.

TRUE KINNEY 2:12¼.

When C. A. Harrison, the Seattle hotel expert, wound up the affairs of the late Woodland Stock Farm he fell heir to the stallions Robert Bingen and True Kinney, both of whom he took north and put into the very best of winter condition. While admitting his love for the horse to be of the "simon pure" variety that is unchanging, Mr. Harrison is not in the breeding business nor does he race an extensive stable. so he immediately began looking around for new homes for Robert and Kinney, with the result that the former has been sold to Midway Stock Farm, Kearney, Neb., as announced in last week's Breeder and Sportsman. Now he is anxious for the other member of the pair to go into equally good hands and offers him for sale through the business columns of this number.

True Kinney, whose record of 2:12¼ was made in a winning race as a four-year-old after he had been a good trotter as a two- and three-year-old, is now in his seventh year and is of the generation of the McKinney family whose get have proven so successful in the last season or so both here in the west and in the eastern states. The grandsons of McKinney are making great names for themselves as speed sires, and as True Kinney comes of most excellent families on the maternal side and has already proven that his colts possess by nature and inheritance all the attractive qualities of the best modern trotters, he will no doubt prove a sire of exceptional merit. His oldest foals are but two years of age and all those handled as yearlings have shown very well indeed, being practically all trotters of much individual excellence and purity of gait. They have been ready sellers and are highly regarded by their present owners.

True Kinney has not been raced for the two seasons last passed, having been doing stud duty at Woodland Stock Farm, but Mr. Harrison is confident that in the hands of any competent man he will train and race sound, as he is in the very best of shape at present and taking his winter jogging in a pleasing manner. Should he not stand up for racing purposes he is well worth the money asked for him as a sire only, and should you be in the market for an extra nice yound stud we suggest that you communicate with Mr. Harrison concerning this fellow.

An Interview with Anvil 2:02 3-4

A COURTEOUS SOUTHERN GENTLEMAN, NOT AVERSE TO TALKING FOR PUBLICATION

"My deah suh," exclaimed Anvil in tones of hearty welcome as I shut the paddock gate behind me and advanced to the sunny corner in which he was lazying away a genuine California spring day, "this is indeed a pleasure. Eveh since you passed me yoah promise to 'spend a day with me sometime soon' — and that was last Novembeh, suh — I have looked eagehly to the day when you would make yoah promise good. You wished to heah from my own lips a bit of the history of my life, did you not, suh, in ohdeh that you might give it a little publicity heah in this pohtion of the wohld wheah I am less known than in those sections which have been the scenes of my activities in fohmeh yeahs?" I assured him that such was indeed my desire, and after a few moments of general conversation and a slight libation to our better acquaintance, we settled ourselves comfortably and he took up the tale.

"Much of what I am about to relate to you, suh," my distinguished friend began, "is known to you and also to many of yoah readehs, but I will have to relate my story in my own way and I hope that you will beah patiently with me, suh, and that my story will not tiah you too greatly. Quite often since yoah otheh visit I have called up old memories in effohts to get togetheh the mattehs foh a narration that might be entehtaining to yoah subscribehs, and with yoah pehmission I will go ahead talking to you as though my fohmeh life was uttehly unknown to you. In that manneh we will have the tale in propeh sequence and will omit nothing of vital impohtance.

"Almost every section of this peaceful land of ouahs stamps its sons and daughtehs with some general characteristics of speech and manneh, and anyone at all familiah with these various pehsonal traits would at once set me down as having been bawn somewheah south of the Mason and Dixon line, a suhmise which would be a most propah one, for I, suh, belong to the uppeh families of the old south. My fatheh and motheh wehe both bond sehvants of Mistah Frank G. Jones of Memphis, suh, and I take pride in the fact that I was bawn to the same estate. In bondage we may have been, suh, but it was and is a bondage that rests lightly upon the soul, as we pahtake of the position of true friend and boon companions ratheh than one of sehvitude. My motheth, Amy Smith, was a daughteh of Empehroh Wilkes 2:20¾, while my fatheth, long one of ouah masteh's favorites, was known as Saint Valiant Vincent 2:11¾, owning allegiance to the great house of Wilkes Boy through one of that great siah's best sons, Saint Vincent 2:13½.

"It was at Memphis that I was bawn, suh, in the summeh of 1907, and it was within the confines of Billings Pahk that my eyes fihst saw the blessed light of day. To have been bawn in such surroundings, suh, was a source of great inspiration to a youngsteh of my inclinations and ambitions and I detehmined at an eahly age to become a great trotteh. Yeahs befoah my day racing had been discontinued at Memphis, but many and many is the fascinating tale related to me by my fond motheh of the famous times when the crack trottehs of the wohld came to Memphis afteh the races at Lexington. I heahd much from heh of yoah famous Califohnia trotteh, Lou Dillon, and of a most wohthy military gentleman named Majah Delmah. These two wehe, in the days of my youth, the only two minute trottehs, and both had made theih best time oveh the track wheah I was bawn, while each winteh and spring saw many famous hosses prepaihed theah foh great campaigns. My motheth used to tell me who they wehe and how fast each pahticulah mile was that I witnessed. It is hahdly to be wondehed at, suh, that in such surroundings I should grow strongeh and strongeh in my detehmination to become famous in my own right. I was not lahge, suh, but I was compact and smooth and sound and I had a good heaht and lungs. One day late in the fall of the yeah in which I was bawn theah was a good deal of excitement about ouah stables and motheh told me the campaignehs wehe coming home. Next mawning a big quiet looking man came into the paddock wheah my motheh and I wehe and spent some time with us, talking now to heh and then to me and looking me oveh with a most critical eye. He felt of my legs and looked at my feet and satisfied himself in otheh ways that I had no physical infihmities, and at last he stahted foh the gate. As he shut it and dropped the latch he stopped foh a moment and grinned at my motheh. 'Doggone it, Amy,' he told heh in a satisfied tone, 'he might be a lot biggeh, but he couldn't be any moah hoss,' and he walked away chuckling to himself. Afteh he was gone my heaht swelled moah than eveh with the detehmination to be a great trotteh, as my motheth told me that my visitoh was Edwin F. Geahs, and that he would be my teacheh and my best friend in afteh life.

"To make a long story shohteh, suh, I was given my kindehgahten lessons that winteh and befoh I was past a yeahling I could trot quite a clip foh a shoht distance. I was neveh allowed to extend myself to a point wheah I felt any strain, and as a two-yeah-old I trotted a full mile in 2:15½, quite handily I am suah. Up to the next spring I had neveh been away from Billings Pahk except for a bit of a jog on the road once in a great while, but in 1910 I went out into the wohld and had my introduction to this game of racing, and from the very fihst I liked it. In the middle of July oveh the famous 'foah-cohnehed' track at Terre Haute I made my bow to the public in a race for colts of my age, being second to a young lady named Lulu Arion in 2:15¼. Late in Septembeh at Columbus I was foath in the Hoss Review stake at Columbus to a wondehful trio of feminine trottehs—Native Belle 2:06½, Emily Ellen 2:09¼ and Grace 2:08, these recohds, if I am not mistaken, being the ones taken by these ladies that same season. So you see, suh, that though I was not winning I was being beaten in no disgraceful manneh. At Lexington I was pitted against what my friend Vehnon McKinney (whose command of graphic and expressive racing tehms is something simply mahvellous) would call 'that beah-cat, that ginuwine little ol' cuhly wolf' Colorado E., and it was in the second heat of this contest that Misteh Estabrook's colt set the then wohld's recohd foh the age and gait, 2:04¾. I was thihd in this heat and by being timed separately in 2:08¾ I became the subject of a great deal of highly complimentary notice on the paht of hossmen and turf writehs. Marse Ed seemed highly pleased, and I went into winteh quahtehs well satisfied that I had made a good staht on the highroad to success.

"So well satisfied wehe Marse Ed and Marse Frank oveh the way I raced as a three-yeah-old and the way I wintehed, that befohe the next season opened I was staked all through the Grand Circuit. If I do say it myself, suh, I became a really great trotteh as a foh-yeah-old and save foh a bit of untowahd misfohtune I might have set a new recohd foh that age. At Indianapolis wheah I stahted my campaign I was a straight heat winneh and achieved a recohd of 2:10, which I reduced a quahteh of a second at Kalamazoo. At Grand Rapids I met my fellow Tennesseean Ahgot Hal, and while I went down to defeat befoh his rushes I won one heat from him in 2:09½. I may say, en passant, as yoah friend Volunteah so neatly puts it, that Ahgot Hal was fohced to the limit of his capacity to beat me. He was oldeh than I, but he neveh lowehed the mahk of 2:07½ which he made in the fihst heat, while mine is much fasteh at this moment. Such, suh, is the diffehence between us.

"My next race, suh, was the one in which I achieved the great ambition of my life to that time—to win a great stake. It was the M. and M., suh, and I won it in straight heats in 2:08¼, 2:08¾ and 2:09¼ oveh a very heavy track. Five othehs stahted but I was neveh in trouble. I was the fifth winneh of the classic stake driven by Mistah Geahs and the second owned by Mistah Jones, so my success was the signal foh a great deal of jubilation. You may have an added insight into the satisfaction felt by Marse Frank when I tell you that I am the fihst hoss eveh bred by him that went to the races. Afteh this pehfohmance I was reckoned as the very best stake trotteh of the season and my winnings wehe expected to be very lahge, but at Cleveland I struck a stone while wohking out and so bruised one of my feet that it was weeks befohe I was again fit to face the stahteh—and by that time all my engagements had been raced without me. I was taken to Phoenix late in the yeah and theah I stahted once, defeating two very estimable westehn trottehs, Kingbrook and R. Ambush, in ratheh comfohtable fashion.

"I may digress foh a moment to say that in my foh-yeah-old fohm I heahd much of a cehtain hoss named Directum, who at the same age had trotted a mile in 2:05¼, which stood as the recohd at that moment. Mistah Geahs was quite suah that this championship was at my mehcy up to the time I bruised my foot, and had that misfohtune not oveh-taken me I would undoubtedly have been given a special try foh it, suh, if, indeed, I had not beaten it in my regulah racing. A few days ago I heahd some-one mention Directum's name and was agreeably



R. J. MacKenzie's grand young trotter
ANVILITE (2) 2:22¼
First of the get of Anvil 2:02¾ to be raced—An exceptional two-year old in every way and now at Lexington to be fitted for his three-year-old engagements.

suhprised to leahn that it was oveh this track heah at Pleasanton that he was 'made,' as the saying is. It means nothing to me in reality, of cohse, suh, but I heahd his name so often that I seemed to know him pehsonally, and the fact that this was his home at one time has added much to the feeling of "homeiness' that I feel heah myself, though the old bahns of Directum's day ah all disappeahed and even the track has been rebuilt. I would have been proud to have known him, suh, foh he was a great trotteh to do what he did at his age, and that so many, many yeahs ago.

"Having acquiahed a recohd of 2:08¼ in my foh-yeah-old fohm, my eahning capacity thencefohwahd was of necessity limited, as most of the great stakes in those days wehe foh classes several seconds sloweh than those to which I was eligible. Had the present system been in vogue in my day I might have won a great deal moah money, perhaps been a repeateh in the M. and M., but as it was I annexed neahly six thousand dollahs racing in class events from 2:09 down to the free-foh-all. I made ten stahts in 1912, winning an even half of them, being three times second, once thihd and once unplaced, the latteh occasion being at Hahtfohd wheah I became violently ill afteh having been foath in the fihst heat and winning the second and thihd. It was during this campaign that I made the acquaintance of and became endowed with a great respect foh a Califohnia couple who wehe doubtless great friends of yoahs and many of yoah readehs, a Mistah William G. Duhfee and a trotteh of the faiah sex named Helen Stiles. Seven times that summeh Miss Helen and I wehe pitted against each otheh in high class fields of trotteh, suh, and I wish to say that we generally wehe up wheah the competition was thickest. In the long run I had a bit the best of heh, if I am not mistaken, but I found heh at all times an opponent to be reckoned with until the last heat was oveh. On a numbeh of occasions she made me trot fasteh than 2:07 to beat heh, and she was second to me in the heat at Lexington in which I made my fastest recohd foh the season, 2:06. That, suh, was a hoss race. I won the fihst heat in a flat 2:06, which was the fastest I had eveh gone, and then along came a Mistah Thomas Muhphy, a gentleman of much wile and clevehness, suh, and beat us all with Brace Gihdle. The paiah had layed up the fihst heat, suh, and at that they wehe fit foh the race of theih lives, trotting the second heat in 2:06½ and the final one in 2:04¾.

"Befoah leaving this chapteh of my life I would like to say, suh, that one day not long afteh I came heah quite a little crowd assembled one aftehnoon to witness the racing of some of yoah westehn colt stakes, the Pleasanton futurities, I believe you call them, suh, and on this occasion I had numerous visitohs heah in my paddock, most welcome among them being the Mistah Duhfee I have just alluded to, and an eldehly gentleman of whom I have heahd much in my lifetime but whom I had neveh met befoah, a Mistah Budd Doble. Both commented upon me most wahmly, I am proud to say, suh, and Mistah Duhfee has done me the honoh of sending to my coht for the present season one of the choicest young fillies in his entiah stable, Helen Belle by name and a stake winneh in heh own right. Thus is proven once moah, suh, that a young man can nevah know the influence that his slightest actions may have upon his futuhe happiness.

"In 1913, being eligible to practically nothing but the free-foh-alls, I found myself able to race fasteh than eveh, and win less money doing it. It is a strange system, suh, undeh which you people race us, and I am suah that the day will come when a hoss that can fuhnish the most entehtainment will be given a greateh eahning capacity. The moah famous I became and the fasteh I could trot the less often I could staht and the less money I could win, which is manifestly unfaiah, suh, manifestly unfaiah. Howeveh, this is meahly a little tale of my own life, and we will not go into race track politics, foh politics it is, suh, that is responsible foh the existing state of things.

"I stahted off my foath season on the trotting tuhf by defeating Ross B., Grace and my stable mate, Dudie Ahchdale, in 2:04¼ and 2:04¾ at Nohth Randall, Dudie being driven on that occasion by a Mistah Benyon. At Kalamazoo, suh, I expehienced one of the most mohtifying episodes of my life by being distanced in the fihst heat of the free-foh-all trot, Dudie winning the race with ease with Marse Frank himself driving. I am not much of an excuse trotteh, suh, but I wish to say that on this occasion the stahteh was, to reveht to the homely but descriptive language of Mistah McKinney, my present stable mate, 'pounding his eah at the switch' and I was sent away on a break. Even Mistah Geahs was vexed, so you may know, suh, how annoying the matteh must have been to both of us. At Detroit I won one heat from Dudie and Cascade in 2:04¼, afteh which Dudie and Marse Frank just naturally outtrotted Marse Ed and myself in 2:04¼ and 2:04½. By this time the rivalry between the two camps of ouah stable was something intense, though friendly, and at Syracuse a special was arranged foh us, and us only, both heats finding me fihst at the wiah in 2:04¼ and 2:05. At Columbus in ouah fihst meeting Dudie was invincible and won in 2:04¾ and 2:03¼, but ouah last meeting foh the season was the otheh way about. I had made up my mind that I could and would beat heh if it took two heats in 2:04 or betteh, and that is just what was requiahed, the fihst being in 2:03¾ and the second in a flat 2:04. At Lexington we wehe not pitted against each otheh, but I won a race and lost one. In the Octobeh prize, afteh I had taken the fihst heat in fast time, an Irish teamsteh named Donahue came along with a trotteh called Ross B. and won the next two heats in spite of my best effohts, the time being 2:04¼ and 2:05¾. My next and last staht foh the season was in the Castleton Cup, and in this classic I was a winneh in easy fashion in 2:08 and 2:06¼. Winteh quahtehs now claimed me, and though I had won less money than eveh since my three-yeah-old fohm, something less than five thousand dollahs, I had trotted ten winning heats in time that averaged just fasteh than 2:05.

"This was my last great yeah in hahness, though I won a couple of free-foh-all trots in 1914 and reduced my own recohd at Nohth Randall to the present figuhes, 2:02¾, while I also cut a quahteh of a second from the Michigan trotting recohd foh stallions, placing it at 2:04. In my last race, which was at Syracuse, I beat my old rival Dudie and the redoubtable Peteh Scott who has just had such a wondehful season, trotting my last public mile in 2:04¾. I feel that it was a fitting faiahwell, and that I could retiah to stud sehvice well content with the way I had made good my youthful ambition to become a great trotteh and confident that I would, if I lived, found a family of good game trotteh in my own right. I am the fastest trotteh eveh foaled on Tennessee soil, and thehe have been many good trotteh from that state, and I am in foath position among all the trotting stallions of the wohld. Do you wondeh, suh, that under these cihcumstances thehe ah many of these lazy, sunshiny days in which I doze heah in my paddock or in my stall in utteh satisfaction in a wohk well done and at peace with all the wohld?

"I spoke of my confidence of becoming a great siah of trotting speed, and my belief in myself in that respect is as strong as was my childish conviction that I would some day become a great trotteh. I have been so busily engaged in racing that I have sehved but few mahes in my time, suh, and I am now but nine yeahs of age. I have but three oh foah children three yeahs of age, but all of them ah good trotteh, while I have heahd the remark credited to you, suh, that you considehed Anvilite, one of my oldest sons, to be the best colt of the age you have eveh seen. Suh, I thank you not only foh entehtaining that opinion but foh making it public, and I trust that you will have no cause to alteh it. The boy was much bothehed with sickness last season, but he left heah last week with my blessing to go to Lexington to be fitted foh his colt stake engagements and he is now in the prime of youthful vigoh. They may beat him, suh, but unless misfohtune ovehtakes him they will not disgrace him, and down in my old home in Tennessee thehe ah other youngsteh that you will leahn of befohe this season comes to a close.

"Last season I spent at Castleton, suh, in the Blue Grass, and thehe I was mated with a numbeh of most excellent matrons. Out heah quite a flatteh bevy of beauties ah being sent to do me homage, and I feel that my futuhe is assuahed. Mistah DeRydeh tells me that he has much correspondence from pahties who ah interested in me, and this is a great pleasuhe, suh, a great pleasuhe. I feel that I am going to be populah and successful heah in yoh sunny clime, suh, and believe me when I tell you that popularity and success ah deah not only to the human race but to true heahted hosses as well. Tell yoah readehs so foh me, and foh them all—and at all times foh yohself, suh—the latch string of my stall hangs on the outside at all houahs."

Peter the Great

SELLS FOR $50,000

Associated press dispatches of several days ago stated that the great speed sire Peter the Great had been sold by W. E. D. Stokes to Stoughton A. Fletcher of Indianapolis, and the news is confirmed by all the turf papers of the central west in their current issues. All in all it is the most important deal in horseflesh that has been made in a good long time, and the price paid proves beyond doubt that the trotting horse industry in the eastern and central western states is in a most thriving condition, for business men of Mr. Fletcher's canniness do not make outlays of this nature unless there is every evidence of a return of a profit. The rise of Peter the Great as a sire is one of the wonder tales of the American trotting turf, and owing to the far greater personal popularity of Mr. Fletcher over that enjoyed by the former owner, the change in masters will be hailed with a hearty welcome by horsemen throughout the country. It is announced that for the present season at least Peter the Great will remain in Kentucky and will be in service at R. S. Strader's Forkland. Farm, where he will doubtless have access to as many mares as his owners will allow. The following announcement of the transaction and brief history of the stallion involved is taken from the Western Horseman:

The most notable harness horse transaction of the present year, and for that matter, of recent years, was the sale last week by W. E. D. Stokes of Peter the Great 2:07¼, to Stoughton R. Fletcher, of Indianapolis, for $50,000. Announcement of the sale produced something of a sensation in the horse world through the celebrity of the horse and the amount involved, while the suddenness of the news also tended to intensify the surprise of horsemen, the negotiations that had been conducted between the contracting parties having been quietly and thoroughly attended to by E. J. Tranter, of the Fasig-Tipton Company.

It is not in any sense detrimental to any other sire of the day, or of the past, to refer to Peter the Great as the most sensational sire in the history of the American trotter. As a family builder he has much to accomplish to rank with others, but in the begetting of race horses he has proved a veritable phenomenon, in this respect concededly outranking all other stallions, contemporary or preceding. With a consistency truly amazing, the sons and daughters of Peter the Great are each year proving that in no other family of the American trotting species does speed and racing quality flow as uniformly.

His rise to a height as a progenitor was deterred by disappointing early years, when expatriation from Massachusetts followed what critics of the time considered a convincing proof of his inability to transmit the magnificent speed and quality that he himself possessed and received from the gray Pilot Medium and the magnificent daughter of Grand Sentinel, whose progeny are producing so much of the trotting horse history of the present era.

It was after he had proved himself to be an extraordinary juvenile performer that Peter the Great was retired to the stud at Forbes Farm. In his two-year-old form he was second to Janie T., in the division of the Kentucky futurity for his age, and in the following year he won the three-year-old division of the same great classic, taking a record of 2:12½. With his excellent schooling in the hands of the veteran Peter V. Johnson, and the high class he demonstrated in leading the other crack performers of 1898, he was sold for $25,000 to J. Malcolm Forbes, who, after allowing him to race the following season in the stable of that capable reinsman, Henry Titer, and acquiring a four-year-old record of 2:07¼, retired him to the stud at Forbes Farm. Four seasons in the stud is not a long period to prove the calibre of a young sire, but probably the failure of Peter the Great to sire anything of prominence in that time beyond the phenomenal filly, Sadie Mac (3) 2:11½, was emphasized by the rising star of Bingen. At the Old Glory sale in 1903, he was purchased by Mr. Stokes for $5,000, a small price, considering his turf record and the fact that he had the opportunity ahead for a great future in the stud. His rise at Patchen Wilkes Farm did not become instant. He was ten years old before he secured his second record performer in the stallion Blue Peter, that trotted to a record of 2:16, but that same season the ill-fated Sadie Mac proved a veritable sensation, racing to a record of 2:06½, and unfolding a career whose brilliancy was only cut short by death at Hartford. 1906 and 1907 followed without notable accessions to Peter the Great's list, but in 1908 he secured seventeen new performers, one of which—Nahma—trotted into the 2:10 list, making the third of his get into the select circle indicated by that record. Since that year, the march of the mighty son of Pilot Medium and Santos has been steady in its phenomenal progress. From the mere duo of performers which he claimed in 1905, he rose to a grand total approximating 230 in the

following decade. Of these, forty are in the 2:10 list, and exactly one-half of that number took their records at four years or less.

Through his phenomenal career as a two, three and four-year-old, Peter Volo (4) 2:02 has undoubtedly lent the greatest fame of any single performer sired by Peter the Great. As a speed phenomenon and racing colt he has had no equal. His two-year-old record of 2:04½ still stands unchallenged; his three-year-old record of 2:03½ is likewise pre-eminent; while the season just closed witnessed the establishment of a new record for four-year-olds by the remarkable scion of Peter the Great. These records, all made in races, shed the added glory that comes from acquirement in actual contests and mark the youngster as the mightiest juvenile of all time. Had the reputation of a sire to rest on the siring of a single performer, hardly could there be a better dependency than Peter Volo, but as the racing annals show, while Peter Volos were mighty scarce, racing machines by Peter the Great were constantly appearing and getting the lion's share of the money. Volga (2) 2:07¾, the sensational futurity trotter of 1915; Peter Scott 2:05¼, the greatest money winning trotter in history; Lady Wanetka (2) 2:10, a phenomenal filly, that at two years was eclipsed only by Peter Volo; Grace 2:04¾, a futurity winner and extraordinary race filly; the ill-fortuned Sadie Mac, first to call attention to a rising star, destined to dim all others; Peter Mac 2:03½, one of the really great phenomenons of 1915, and believed by many to become a king; Czarevna (3) 2:07¼, a futurity winner; Margaret Druien 2:03¼, and a host of others have so conclusively placed the name of their sire beyond the reach of those who would detract from his rightful glory, that were his performers to cease now, he would remain practically solitary in the richness of his achievements.

Mr. Fletcher is to be congratulated on the possession of this great sire, but more so are the breeders of the state, where in all probability Peter the Great will make his home after the present season is ended. Yet, states or localities may scarcely lay claim to any sire of his caliber, for, as our greatest statesmen belong to the Nation, so likewise do such phenomenons as Peter the Great benefit the entire breeding industry of the country. And it is inevitable that much of the eventual history of the Peter the Great family is yet unwritten, for still in the possession of the remarkable vigor that has characterized his career, phenomenal products will in succeeding years keep up the fame that has attached to him more enduringly and in a greater measure than any trotting sire we have yet seen.

HORSES AT HAINES.

While the idea that "the horse game is dead" is encountered in a great many places, no one will get that idea by visiting the little town of Haines, ten miles from Baker, Oregon. Haines always furnishes a good quota of the horses raced at the Baker fair and brings home a share of the money, and right now there are not less than a half dozen men directly interested in the standard bred horse, besides lots of the farm colts in this region being sired by standard bred stallions, right in the Powder River valley, famous for its big drafters. They go together.

It was here that F. H. Hurd bred and developed College Gent, that was sold to the Carson stables, in Alberta, and now has a mark of 2:06¼. Mr. Hurd secured Direct E. when he sold College Gent and the horse has served a few good mares each year since. Mr. Hurd has two colts by him that will be two years old in the spring, one out of the great mare Belle H., dam of College Gent, the other out of her daughter, Haines Maid, a full sister to College Gent, by Kentucky P., a son of Baron Wilkes. Mr. Hurd will train the colts and track them double. He considers both fine speed prospects. Belle H. is expected to drop another colt by Direct E. this spring. She lost her colt last year. Her progeny now owned by Mr. Hurd includes Oregon Girl, full sister to College Gent; Haines Gent,coming four, also by Kentucky P., that will be raced this season, and Belle Patterson, another full sister, coming three. Oregon Girl has a horse colt, coming a year, by Direct E. Frank Mullany has been with Mr. Hurd this winter and will take the horses out the coming season.

A. A. Fidler, owner of Delmas 2:09¼, has two other good horses, Amy McKinney and Ben T., a colt by McV., coming three. Mr. Fidler has had the horses jogged all winter and, while he is not ready to announce his plans for the year, it is pretty certain all three will be raced.

Elmer Hogoboom still has his good old stallion Allerdaw 2:09. The horse has served the few mares that came to him and can race as fast as he ever could—and he always gets inside the money. But Elmer says he is strictly a farmer and that the cows and hogs and chickens interest him most. When the bell calls the starters for position we shall see, for Elmer will watch them go, even if he does plow corn.

Thomas H. Christensen has a fine colt by Kentucky P. out of his mare Curucca, with a matinee record of 2:18, by Alfonso. The colt has been named Captain Patterson. It is a square trotter, a fine prospect and will be tracked.

A. W. Perkins has a daughter of Teddy A. that is reported to be a fine driver and a good race prospect. But as Mr. Perkins was not seen, information concerning his plans are meager.

Wallowa Maid, a daughter of Teddy A., dam Electrophone, by Caution, is owned by Mrs. Victor De Val. She was foaled in 1911, has individuality as well as breeding as good as the best of them and will probably be trained this season.

C. W. Willbourne, who drove Delmas to his mark and in most of his races, jogged Mr. Fidler's horses until Christmas. He is now at home in Baker, Ore., where he and Tom Brady will open a public training stable early in the spring.—Rural Spirit.

DATES FOR NORTHWESTERN FAIRS.

Owing to the severe storms which visited the mountain country of the northwest early this month the annual meeting of the members of the North Pacific Fair Association was not so largely attended as is generally the case, a number of delegates from the cities east of the Cascades being prevented from being present owing to railroad blockades. Representatives of most of the members of the association managed to be on hand, however, and the following schedule of meetings was drawn up:

Centralia-Chehalis, Wash.	August 28-Sept. 2
Vancouver, B. C.	August 12-17
Spokane, Wash.	September 4-9
Scio, Oregon	September 6-8
Gray's Harbor, Wash.	September 4-8
Walla Walla, Wash.	September 11-16
Baker, Oregon	September 11-16
Olympia, Wash.	September 12-15
North Yakima, Wash.	September 18-25
Boise, Idaho	September 18-22
New Westminster, B. C.	September 25-30
Salem, Oregon	September 25-30
Helena, Montana	September 25-30
Salt Lake City, Utah	October 2-7

It will be noticed that there are a number of conflicts in date, chief among them being the case of Walla Walla and Baker, and it is not unlikely that this particular matter may be remedied, as Secretary Joe Waddell of Baker, who got part way to Seattle and then went into winter quarters in a snow drift, is taking the burden of the battle for a change and will doubtless succeed in getting some sort of an arrangement that will allow horsemen to race at both points. There is so little racing in the northwest that it seems too bad that dates should not be so arranged to allow horsemen to get the full benefit of every program offered, and both Walla Walla and Baker attract the best stables in the northwest as a rule. Last year a conflict between Walla Walla and Spokane cost money not only to the horsemen but to the promoters as well, and we will hear with pleasure of a change that will permit of the racing of all stables at the more important points. There are a number of smaller meetings to be given for which dates have not yet been claimed, and Secretary J. W. Pace, who maintains a permanent office in Seattle, requests that managers and secretaries advise him of these at the earliest convenient time.

As usual, the circuit stake book will appear in March or early in April, the events for which entries will close not later than June first being the 2:12 and 2:25 trot and the 2:10 and 2:25 pace. Supplemental late closers will be arranged to close two weeks in advance of the opening of each meeting, if agreeable to all concerned, and these classes will include events for 2:15 and 2:20 trotters and 2:15 and 2:20 pacers, with such others as the individual associations may feel justified in giving. The size of the purses is discretionary with each association and it was the concensus of those present at the meeting that large purses were not so satisfactory to all concerned as five hundred dollar events and more of them. The three heat, every heat a race system was most favored and will probably be in use throughout the circuit, it having proved popular and successful last year with both horsemen and public.

Tom Gahagan Views the Stake Pacers

The announcement coming from Detroit a few days ago that the $5,000 Chamber of Commerce pacing classic would be changed to the 2:06 class for the 1916 meeting was especially interesting to two of the trainers at the Indianapolis track and the shift of classes assures at least one more entry to the sidewheel "Derby" from the local race colony than would have been made had the race remained for the 2:07 class. An Indiana pacer won the classic last year, the honors going to Single G. 2:02¾, and sidewheelers from the Hoosier State have on more than one occasion been prominent in the event.

The Indianapolis pacer made eligible to the Chamber of Commerce by the change in the class is the bay gelding Fred Russell 2:04, raced the past season by Harry Hersey. The 2:04 mark of the pacer was taken in a losing race and therefore does not affect his eligibility, his best winning race record being 2:05¼. A graduate from the half mile tracks, Hersey raced the gelding chiefly on the Great Western Circuit the past season with success, the wiggler pacing an especially good race at Hamline, where he took his winning record of 2:05¼ over a slow track. He cut into the Grand Circuit at Columbus, where he won and equaled his record of 2:05¼, and at Lexington he won a heat from Earl Jr. in 2:04. In another race against the gray warrior from the Cox stable he was close to the winner in 2:01½, being timed separately in better than 2:03.

Hersey enjoys the distinction of having ridden more miles in 2:00 or better than all of the other trainers combined. For several years he was head trainer of the M. W. Savage stable, piloting Dan Patch in all of his record-breaking miles after the champion passed from the charge of the late Myron McHenry. Later he marked Minor Heir in 1:58½ against time and set the race record at 1:59 with him in a match over the local track. He has also campaigned such fast pacers as Lady Maud C. 2:00½, Hedgewood Boy 2:01, Ess H. Kay 2:00¾, George Gano 2:02 and Walter Cochato 2:02¼. All of these pacers were free legged, but Fred Russell is of the genuine Indiana brand; wears the "submarine harharness," or hobbles, which are supposed to be a part of the armament of all pacers from the Hoosier state and Canada. Hersey is one of the smallest of the drivers now prominent on the turf. It is related of George Starr, who drove Planet to victory in the Chamber of Commerce stake two decades ago, that previous to the start he changed a $20 bill into silver in order to make the required weight of 150 pounds. Hersey would have to raid the treasury to make up his deficit in weight in that way as on race day he carries enough sheet lead in his sulky cushion to anchor a ferry boat.

The other local candidate for the Chamber of Commerce stake is the four-year-old filly Miss Harris M. 2:07½, in the stable of Lon McDonald. This youngster was a trotter up to late in the fall of 1914, when she went lame and shifted over to the lateral gait. McDonald wintered her in California and she was raced at the June meeting at San Francisco. In the pacing futurities she was stacked up against the champion colt General Todd on three different occasions and at the local meeting in the Western Horseman stake made him pace to a record of 2:04¼, being beaten only a half length. She looked so good for the 1915 stakes that Stoughton Fletcher, of this city, separated himself from a check for $7,000 or thereabouts in exchange for a bill of sale of the filly. She is a daughter of Peter the Great and looks to be about the fastest of the free legged pacers by that famous sire, with the possible exception of the high going Peter Farren, which Tom Murphy will point for the Chamber of Commerce stake the coming season.

Another fast pacer which the change in class makes eligible to the Detroit stake is the Los Angeles mare White Sox. She won the $20,000 pacing stake at the June meeting at San Francisco, and was second to Hal Boy in the like event there in November. She worked the fast Los Angeles track in 2:02, a mile which must command respect in any company outside the free for all class. She is a converted trotter, having taken a record at the diagonal gait. She is owned by Clarence Berry, brother of Henry Berry, owner of the San Francisco Coast League baseball team, and a close friend of Charles Comiskey, owner of the Chicago American League team, for which the mare was named. There has been considerable talk of a match race between the mare and the local gelding Hal Boy, but advices recently received a few days ago from Will Durfee, trainer of White Sox, convey the information that the Los Angeles man believes that the regular events on the Big Ring will be sufficient to keep the mare busy, without going out of her class to take on such a tough customer as the handsome little son of Hal B.

Another to become eligible to the Detroit stake by the change in class is the ill-starred Dr. Burns Jr. 2:04¼. In 1914 the big stallion was a bear and made William pace a heat in 2:00½ at Grand Rapids. He was then shipped to California for the $20,000 stake at the exposition meeting in June, but in the free for all pace a week before the race for the big money he broke down, "bowing" a front tendon so badly that he was barely able to walk for some time. Burns was shipped East and for several months has been running out and roughing it on a stock farm near Ypsilanti, Mich. His trainer, Al Whitney, took him up recently and the big horse is apparently sound again. The firing iron was used on the leg freely last summer and it is possible that he may stand training again.

The Dakota mare Sayde Densmore, which set the record for four-year-old fillies at 2:02 at Lexington last fall, is another which became eligible to the Chamber of Commerce stake, she having raced to a record of 2:05½ in the west last season. In the Earl Jr. race at Lexington, previously mentioned, she was separately timed in 2:03. Like Fred Russell and Dr. Burns Jr., she wears the hobbles.

The fastest heat raced by any of the Chamber of Commerce eligibles last season was that of Billy Dale, the angular bay gelding which Walter Cox depends upon to bring the bacon to New Hampshire next summer. Over the Dorval Park track at Montreal, a very slow course, he was beaten by a whisker by Yedno in 2:02½ and he also paced some sensational races over the Ohio halfmile tracks. On looks the gelding would bring about $62.50, but when he turns around for the coin his price advances by leaps and bounds.—American Sportsman.

NOTES and NEWS

Wichita, Kansas, which has been off the trotting map for some time, comes back in an encouraging manner this season, announcing two meetings to be held at a new plont. There are some excellent people behind the project and there has been a healthy public sentiment in favor of the revival of harness races.

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Anyone who is in the market for a really excellent young trotting sire is recommended to the advertisement of True Kinney 2:12¼ which appears elsewhere in this number of the Breeder and Sportsman. He is a true "McKinney" in almost every point and his colts in the Woodland country are among the best in the neighborhood.

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Dick Wilson has again forsaken the trotters for the simple life of an agriculturist, departing about two weeks ago for Jackson, Miss., with a full equipment of farm tools. This isn't Dick's first renouncement of the faith, so it is presumed he left the back gate open that he might return to the fold any time the Mississippi sun became too oppressive.—Horse Review.

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George Giannini, president of the local amateur driving club, is back home from a trip of some duration in the eastern part of the country. Fortunately for George he had enough meat on his bones to keep the cold from searching him out in a manner really uncomfortable, but the green grass and the sunshine of the California country looked pretty good to him at that.

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Officers of the Southwest Washington Fair Association (Centralia-Chehalis) were recently elected as follows: F. B. Hubbard, president; G. R. Walker, secretary; George H. Miller, treasurer, and these gentlemen with J. T. Bevins and T. L. Long constitute the board of directors. The dates for their annual exposition are August 28 to September 2 and a number of improvements over former events are promised. They have an excellent halfmile track, as evidenced by the time made there last season, Scarlet Trent setting the record at 2:09¼ while Teddy Bear paced it in 2:10 flat and two trotters won heats close to 2:15.

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Russell Boy 2:02¼, the crack stake pacer of the season of 1915, goes to the stable of Tommy Murphy and will be raced this year by the lanky gentleman from Poughkeepsie. The owner, Ellis Franks, turned this fellow over to Pop Geers in the middle of his first race on the big line last season and the veteran Tennesseean got along with him so nicely that it was rather expected the pair would work together again this time. Russell Boy is one of the fastest pacers that has shown up in a long time but is unsteady at times and is generally raced over the long route as a precautionary measure. Last year a good many of his miles were pretty long ones and it is generally figured that he will be a two-minute pacer this summer. Murphy has ridden a number of miles in even time or better, while the Grand Old Man has his first spin to take inside that limit.

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At a recent meeting of the stewards of the Kansas and Oklahoma circuit held at Winfield, Kansas, the following dates were claimed for the present season: Winfield, week of July 10; Wichita, week of July 17; Council Grove, week of July 24; Herrington, week of July 31; Anthony, week of August 7; Pratt, week of August 14; McPherson, week of August 21; Eureka, week of August 28; Iola, week of September 4; Wichita, week of September 11; Topeka, week of September 11; Hutchinson, week of September 18; Oklahoma City, week of September 25. A decidedly advanced step was taken when it was decided to eliminate the early closers of all kinds and to close entries at every meeting for all events on that program two weeks in advance of the opening day. The three heat system had a good many advocates but the stewards decided to stay by the three in five plan with the point system of placing.

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Harold Dillon, the son of Sidney Dillon and the great brood mare Guycara by Guy Wilkes who was exported to the antipodes some years ago, has made a high place for himself among contemporary sires in New Zealand. At the summer meeting of the New Brighton Trotting Club he had four winners to score, as follows: Dan Dillon, a trotter who showed the way to the wire over a two-mile route in 5:00; Sinoda, a winner at a mile and a half in 3:40¼; Antonio, whose winning mile and a half was negotiated over very heavy going in 3:33¾, and the three-year-old colt Author Dillon who carried a rider over the two-mile course in 4:57¼. This is an excellent showing and proves that the members of the great family of Sidney Dillon can and do make good in any part of the world they happen to hit. The holiday racing season in New Zealand was an exceptionally successful one, approximately sixty thousand dollars being raced for in the course of the six midsummer meetings that were staged during the holidays. The fields were large and both attendance and speculation were lively.

Floradora Z. 2:11½, the brown daughter of Zombro 2:11 who made such an excellent campaign in the northwest last season for Charley Guion, is being jogged daily at Seattle and will be prepped for a campaign down through the central west, in all probability, as her owners figure that she has a greater earning capacity there than around home. She was a slow comer, having been handled for some seasons by various trainers with little success, but she was a real good trotter when she did "arrive," as anyone starting against her last year can attest. She is owned at present by P. J. McCormack of the Broadway Stables, Seattle, and Ed Cudihee of the same city.

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The Minneapolis bunch have been pulling off some great little races on the ice this winter, but they hung up a real pattern along that line a few days ago in the free-for-all pace. Jerry H. and Jim Kerr copped the first heat in 1:02¼, whereupon Kid Riley and Dan Alleman lined out a couple for themselves in 1:02¼ and 1:02½. About this time Ed Best thought it a good idea to show some proof for the statement he has been making all winter that Madam Mac is the best ice pacer he ever owned, so he took the California mare to the front for a pair in 1:02¾ and 1:02½. Jerry took the stable for his at this point in the proceedings and in the final heat between Riley and the Madam the former won in 1:03¾, the mare making a bobble at the three-eighths and spoiling her chance. The figures stand as a world's record for a race of that duration on the ice.

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Fred Johnston of Calgary, former owner of the fast pacing mare Yedno 2:02½ and other performers of quality, paid a short visit to Helena Mont., a few days ago and purchased from the estate of Dr. Kellogg the pacing gelding Mussell Shell 2:15 by Bozeman 2:17, dam Silvershell (dam of four) by Nutshell, a speed siring son of Nutwood. This is the little wiggler that was second to Hal Boy so often in the season of 1914 over the tracks of western Canada, forcing the Childs pacer to break the track records at both Calgary and Swift Current to beat him. He has worked the sandy track at Calgary in 2:10¼ (which is the fastest mile ever negotiated over that course) and at Missoula in the fall of the same season he turned the halfmile track in 2:08, with the last half in 1:01. In 1915, owing to Dr. Kellogg's death, he was not raced and was trained merely enough to keep him fit for another year, his fastest work having been over the mile track at Helena in 2:13, with the last half in 1:01¼ and the last quarter in :28¼, which is considerable sizzle. He is a good deal on the Hal Boy order in that he wears no underwear and practically no boots, if any, and Mr. Johnston is confident that he has one of the best pacers in the northwest for the slow classes, as his mark of 2:15 is not a win-race. Two different parties have endeavored to buy him already, but there is "nothing stirring," as he is just the boy his new owner was looking for. Mr. Johnston is also "strong" for his Ray O'Light pacer out of Almota by Vice Regent and believes that with any sort of luck he will some day pace well along toward the two-minute mark. He describes racing prospects for western Canada for the season as being fairly good, as the fair associations have signified their intentions of putting up as much money this year as they did in 1914, and in some instances a little more. The Canadians are real sportsmen and we wish them all the very best of luck.

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At a recent meeting of the Chamber of Commerce of Dixon it was decided to make an effort to arrange for a race meeting at that place in conjunction with the California fair circuit and Harry McFadyen was delegated to take the matter up and see what could be accomplished along this line. Dixon is not a large place on the map as large places go, but it is the center of an extensive farming country, well settled by prosperous people who have a high regard for the horse, and a fairly pretentious and highly successful meeting could no doubt be arranged there. The annual May Day festival with its horse races is the one best bet of the year at Dixon, and it is the success of this event that has encouraged the Chamber of Commerce to consider the fair proposition. The original intention was to have a meeting about the same time as Woodland and the state fair, but in view of the fact that as the dates were originally suggested the latter end of the circuit comes out about right for the Arizona state fair (which next to the California state fair will be the main meeting of this section of the west) it might prove advisable for Dixon to stage her fair early, say on the dates submitted for Ventura. This would cause little if any inconvenience in the way of a conflict, and would also distribute the racing of the Sacramento valley towns over a greater period of time. At early meeting at Dixon would perhaps meet with better patronage than one following the state fair and Woodland, as very many people would attend all three events if they were arranged so as not to come in a row. Two of them close together is all right, but three is a little too many, perhaps. The track at Dixon is a halfmile course that is both fast and safe, and in case they give a meeting there horsemen in attendance will be furnished free straw and hay, with grain at the regular price, no "gouging." The folks there have the proper spirit, and the advent of that city to the regular fair circuit would be hailed with a great deal of pleasure.

R. H. ("Bob") Cosgrove, who was secretary of the Spokane Interstate Fair for a long term of years, has recently assumed the Montana state agency for the Vermont Loan and Trust Company, with headquarters at Billings. If Bob puts the same energy into this work that he did into boosting the interstate fair--and it's an odds on bet that he works even harder—his company will get their full share of business and some over.

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George A. Kelly, who has made his home in the northwest almost continually since 1882 and who in all that time has never been without a few horses of the standard bred family, is temporarily a resident of Oakland while resting up a bit and laying plans for the future. Mr. Kelly has wintered in California with his stable on various occasions, and two years ago, deciding that things in the trotting horse business locally were getting a little slow, acquired a ten-acre tract of walnut land in the old Baldwin ranch near Los Angeles. Two years of intelligent effort put this property in such condition that a few days ago he disposed of it at a profit of some four thousand dollars, acquiring in its stead some good town property in Davenport, Washington, which produces a steady income. Mr. Kelly still has his favorite trotting stallion Bonnie McK. 2:29½ and one of his daughters that has trotted close to 2:16 in a race for the owner, and these two he finds it hard to part with. Bonnie McK., whose list of performers is headed by the good four-year-old pacer Bonnie Antrim 2:12¼, has always been a well patronized horse in the Walla Walla neighborhood and it is not unlikely that Mr. Kelly will go on up into that country after the weather moderates and place the son of McKinney back in service there, while the mare ought to give a good account of herself over the tracks of the North Pacific Fair Circuit. In the years during which he has been identified with the trotter Mr. Kelly has had the pleasure of owning quite a number of good ones, perhaps the best of which was the great mare Anzella 2:06¾ whom he raced for three seasons, and who eventually went to a home across the seas in Russia.

WINTERING AT TOPEKA.

Al Ruthven, of Kansas City, Mo., who recently returned from California, is wintering his stable at Topeka, in charge of Joe Ryan and Vernon Brooks, and reports a very promising stable for 1916, headed by the handsome black stallion Walnut Grove p. 2:05¼, by Constantine 2:12½, dam Lindis, by Jackdaw. Walnut Grove will be raced on the trot this season, which appears to be his natural gait, and is reported very liable to trot to his pacing record. Ruthven surprised the boys at the breeders' meeting on October 29, at Topeka, when he trotted Walnut Grove to a record of 2:19 with less than two weeks' work at that gait. He could have trotted much faster, but was held well in hand, owing to his very limited work after a let-up of about ten weeks. It also appears that Walnut Grove is a fine speed sire, his first crop of colts being three-year-olds last season, the only two trained being Little Grove 2:18½ and G. C. W. p. 2:18¼. He also has several other youngsters that showed extreme speed, including the two-year-old colt Grover E., dam Rose Equity p. 2:07¾, who could have secured a trotting record as a yearling of better than 2:30, with very little work. The balance of Ruthven's stable at present for the coming season are Rose Equity; Miss Johnson 2:08¾, by Happy Treasure; G. C. W. p. (3) 2:18¼, by Walnut Grove, who won second money in the halfmile track division of the Horseman 1915 futurity; and Little Grove (3) 2:18½, by Walnut Grove. Little Grove is liable to make the green trotters sit up and take notice. Last, but not least, is the handsome two-year-old bay colt, Grover E., by Walnut Grove, dam Rose Equity. This colt, with but thirty days' training, jogging and all, was allowed to trot a mile in 2:41, last half in 1:15½, quarter in :36. He is eligible to $85,000 worth of futurities.

There will soon be added to this stable the three-year-old trotting colt R. E. C., by Walnut Grove, dam Maud Sprague, by Governor Sprague, owned by R. E. Cowdery of Topeka.

In all there are sixty-nine horses in winter quarters at Topeka, among them John Gray, with three, headed by Amorist 2:12¼; Charles Lacy and A. S. Goram, two; Herb Covell, six, in charge of Elax Parks, headed by Peter Silver 2:29¼, and Jim Sunday 2:30; G. C. Wegele & Sons with twelve, headed by Bingenaras 45088, by Bingen, dam Hatteras by Wilkes Boy. By all appearances they have been successful in getting Queen McGregor with foal, who is 26 years old, and is the dam of five.

George Thompson has five, including Topican 2:20¼, in charge of Harry Brooks. Jack Ransdell & Son have four, and are expecting Yours Truly 2:15¼ back soon. J. J. Gardner has one, Henry Dunn, six, R. H. Burr and George Snead, seven, headed by Mr. Pinkerton; Chas. Tanner and N. Newton have two, one a very promising three-year-old by Walnut Grove; John Bagley has one, and he, as well as others, will soon have several more added. O. D. Heart has four, headed by Walkover 2:12¼; William Bradbury has nine on hand, among them several very good-looking colts by Walnut Grove. Mr. Husted is also wintering a good one. Among the boys at Topeka they are expecting about twenty-five more as soon as the training season opens.—Horse Review.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

ANGLERS SLEEP ALL NIGHT ON PIERS TO GET GOOD FISHING PLACE.

Securing a rod and tackle at Redondo pier, which can be rented by the half day or day, the fisherman walks down the long wharf reaching out above the breakers and high above them, and takes his position. There is, I fancy, much prescience in this, but I had no idea of its importance until I met one of the most skillful of these fishermen.

"Yes," he said, "it makes a heap of difference. You see, this dock is the only one of the 'longshore docks that you can get big fish from—yellow-tail, sea bass, and sea trout. The reason is that a sort of deep-water trough sets in here and the big fish follow it in; and if you come here and don't know where to fish, you get left.

"In the summer if you fish on the end, out to sea, in deep water, you get deep-water fish and no surf fish. They live in the surf, near shore, and, to my mind, are the best fish. Some of the old-timers come down here Saturday night with their blankets and lie on the dock all night. Sometimes twenty men do this, sometimes many more when the fish are biting in summer, and when the crowd comes at 7 or 8 o'clock they always find some one ahead of them.

"I didn't get on to this," continued the old fisherman, "for a long time. One day I discovered a fine spot and the next morning had my breakfast and got here at 7:30, but a man had my place. The next holiday I was here at 6, but it was gone, and the following Sunday I'm blessed if that same chap wasn't here at 4. So I tackled him and asked if he lived here. He laughed and said no, but that he slept here all night when he wanted the place. As it never rains between June and November, he was as comfortable in his canvas-covered sleeping bag as though on the deck of a yacht."

I reached this Redondo pier one Sunday morning in June. The fog was going to sea in great golden masses, and the ocean was like a disk of steel, changing to blue, gold, yellow and vermillion as the sun came up and illuminated its surface. The dock, as long as it is, was lined with a fence of bristling poles and men, women and children, while down the center poured a continuous stream of fisher folk, each carrying a pole, a basket of lunch and tackle, and some a chair or stool.

It was a business-like crowd. All were bent on the object in hand—fishing—and an hour later the entire pier was lined with fishermen. At 10 o'clock a negro picnic arrived on two special canary-colored cars, and among them I saw an old ex-slave who worked for me. He had a thirteen-foot pole, my best salmon reel, lashed to the butt with a piece of cord, and a short, heavy line.

The black contingent found the best places occupied, but shortly adapted themselves to the center of the pier, where, between the railroad ties, they could point their poles directly down into the water, the pole, of course, becoming a part of the line. Sometimes for half an hour not a fish would be taken; then a shout would be raised and the unattached anglers would move in that direction, leaving their poles to a friend, child, husband or wife. If the fish showed signs of being large the excitement become intense, and advice was freely given.

CHARLES FREDERICK HOLDER.

Pasadena, Cal.

BUREAU OF FISHERIES DISTRIBUTIONS.

During the fiscal year of 1915 the Bureau of Fisheries distributed 536,000 eggs, 3,000,000,000 fry and 58,000,000 fingerling, yearling and adult fish. The species distributed included: Catfish, carp, yellow sucker, Buffalofish, fresh-water drum, shad, alewife, whitefish, lake herring, silver salmon, chinook salmon, blueback salmon, humpback salmon, dog salmon, steelhead trout, rainbow trout, Atlantic salmon, landlocked salmon, Scotch sea trout, black spotted trout, Loch Leven trout, lake trout, brook trout, smelt, grayling, crappies, rock bass, small-mouth black bass, sunfishes, pike and pickerel, pike perch, yellow perch, striped bass, white perch, white bass, yellow bass, cod, pollock, haddock, flounder, mackerel, tautog and lobster.

New York received lake trout and land-locked salmon, and New Jersey black bass, crappie, landlocked salmonfi rainbow trout, steelhead trout, sunfish, white perch and yellow perch.

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Protection and increase of the elk in the Adirondack Mountains by the members of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks has just been instituted by William E. Drislane of Albany, president of the New York State Association of Elks, through a letter sent to every lodge in the State, asking them to exert their influence for the preservation of these animals and to make contributions for the purchase and liberation of addition elk.

COURSING AT SACRAMENTO NEXT SUNDAY.

Sunday, March 5th, has been set by the Capital City Coursing Club as the date for its next coursing meet. The same grounds near Franklin that have been used in previous meets have been decided upon. This will be the first coursing meet this year. Last fall a coursing match was held near Franklin, and it was a successful affair, in spite of the heavy rain that tended to dampen the spirits of the sportsmen.

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That at least a hundred deer have been recently killed by coyotes, and that at least twice that number are imperiled, is the word brought to Klamath Falls (Ore.) by Harry and Wilber Telford, who have returned from a three days' trip to the upper Jenny Creek country on the Klamath-Jackson county line. Seven freshly killed carcasses were found by the Telfords, besides the remains of about 100 others killed more or less recently.

ELKS TO ROAM WASHINGTON HILLS.

Herds of elk will soon be roaming Kittitas county, in Washington, if a project started by the county game commissioner is successfully carried out. Twenty-five head of elk will be brought from Yellowstone National Park and liberated at Boylston between Ellensburg and the Columbia River. There is no open season for elk in this State and it is the belief of men interested in the movement that the animals will thrive here as well as in Montana. Application for the shipment of the elk from the government reservation was made to Col. Britt, commandant of the Yellowstone National Park, through R. B. Wales, State Game Warden for the eastern district of Washington. Wales at once wrote requesting the commandant to ascertain whether the elk could be trapped and to notify him if a carload could be obtained so that the necessary permit from Congress could be sought.

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Redondo Beach.—Beach fishing has sprung into sudden popularity these balmy, moonlight nights at the beach, and many different kinds of fish are biting at this place. A swarm of perch infests the harbor and will probably be here for several days. Besides the perch, surf fish are biting well, and many fishermen who are old hands at the game and pleasure seekers from the city can be found at various locations along the beach at night, with their lines strung out into the breakers.

The reason for the sudden influx of various kinds of fish is that millions of angleworms have drifted into this harbor and are attracting swarms of fish that come here to feed. From pier No. 3, J. K. Richardson of Los Angeles caught a halibut weighing thirty pounds, one of the largest of the season.

CHINOOK SALMON TAKEN FROM OREGON.

An attempt to raise chinook salmon taken from the Columbia River in Oregon is being made by the Massachusetts Fish and Game Commission. More than half a million chinook salmon eggs are now in process of hatching at the Palmer hatchery. The fish will be liberated in one of the tributaries of the Merrimack River below Lawrence. It is expected that the year 1919 will witness thousands of salmon, weighing from fifteen to thirty pounds each, coming up the Merrimack River to be taken by the fishermen. Four years is the allotted time for salmon to mature, at which time they return to spawn, most of them coming back to the stream in which they were raised. The commission will try this plan out thoroughly during the next few years and with this in view arrangements are being made for the construction of a rearing station on one of the streams that empty into the Merrimack where the young salmon can be fed until large enough to hold their own against all enemies.

Fishing conditions in southern California show a steady improvement so far as fresh waters are concerned. The feature of the season was the phenomenal fishing in Big and Little Bear lakes, which was brought about through the repeated plantings made by the Fish and Game Commission. The commission has this year been making efforts towards creating a salmon run in the Ventura and Santa Ynez rivers, the work connected therewith being paid for by the angling license money. The economic value of the fish taken by sportsmen in Big and Little Bear lakes will count up to thousands of dollars. A scheme to sell the great supply of fish raised in Sweetwater Lake from plantings originally made by the State was headed off by Fish and Game Commissioner Connell. Were it possible for this to be done, it would end all planting operations in waters to which there is any color of private title, as the Fish and Game Commission already has refused to stock any waters to which the public is denied free access.

HEARD IN KENNEL CIRCLES.

A string of terriers consisting of Sealyham, Irish, wire, smooth fox and Scottish, are on their way from England to Jack Bradshaw of Beresford, California. Bradshaw had been negotiating for the dogs for several weeks. Owing to the present conditions in England he was able to buy some of the world's best terriers at half their regular prices. The dogs are to be shipped at once and should arrive here within six weeks.

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Mrs. Anita M. Baldwin of Santa Anita, California, is offering several trophies at the Crufft's show, in England, the latter part of this month.

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The Eastern Airedale terrier fanciers were disappointed to learn that Mrs. Anita Baldwin, of California, has decided not to show her dogs at the Westminster show. The fancy were anxious to get a "peek" at the crack Tintern Tip Top.

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Mrs. Norwood B. Smith, of the Cragwood kennels, has several very promising St. Bernard puppies by her crack dog O'Siris which she intends to show at the Golden Gate show.

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The Golden Gate Kennel Club has practically decided to hold its show April 26, 27 and 28.

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The Utah State Kennel club's dog show, to be held in Salt Lake on March 2, 3 and 4, has received a few entries from the best kennels of the west and many more are expected before entries close on February 26. Fanciers should make up their entries as soon as possible, in order that the catalogue containing the list of exhibits can be compiled.

A few fanciers have already enered their dogs, including J. H. Davis' collie, Hector D.; J. F. White's bloodhound, Kentucky Pat, by G. Q. Smith's Boston Servier. Miss Marieta Fanchers of Boise, Idaho, has entered her kennel of old English sheep dogs, headed by Champion Lincoln Jap.

F. W. Allen's English bull, Briar Brittle, is also in the listed entries.

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Champion Wycollar Boy, a wire fox terrier, recently imported from England by Andrew Albright, Jr., of New Jersey, changed hands last week. The new owner of this crack little terrier is Mrs. Rainey, of the Conejo kennels in Los Angeles.

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It will probably interest local Irish terrier fanciers to know that one of the best in America is at present on the Pacific Coast. He is the property of Jack Bradshaw, of Beresford. The writer had the pleasure of seeing him last week. He has a head like an Airedale; a dark eye, and themuch desired stiff red coat.

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That the next bench show of the Portland Kennel Club will be held about the third week in April seems likely, from the present outlook, according to President Frank E. Watkins.

He has been going over the situation, and finds that there are at least two or three good locations, close in, where such a show can be held. It was this lack of such a place which prevented a show last year at any time.

Mr. Watkins has already written the Seattle Kennel Club officials asking them for the exact date of their show. He intends to hold one here the following week, and is under the impression that theirs will take place the second week in April. The San Francisco show will come two weeks later, it is believed, and there will undoubtedly be three or four others in California following this, at Oakland, Mill Valley, Los Angeles and other points.

J. J. McCarthy, secretary of the Portland organization, is in New York at present, but is expected home shortly. As soon as he returns, active preparation will be started on the selection of a site and other necessary arrangements which will have to be made, as soon as it is known that a suitable site has been located and secured.

Miss Jean Fourgens of Williams, Colusa county, owner of the S. V. Kennels, had the misfortune to lose by death her great young wolfhound Ylyo, which won best in class under 12 months and was one of the features of the Panama-Pacific Exposition show. Miss Fourgens, it is said, had practically arranged to send the dog East with Jack Bradshow.

J. W. Castenian has bred his Airedale bitch to King Ooorang.

H. C. Redwell of Whittier, Cal., has bred the Airedale bitch, Letty Hart, to Cyprus Cadet. Other bitches that have recently been bred to the Cadet are Yay Taylor's Sunbeam and Charley Heffernan's (of Stockton) Crewe Bonheur.

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Beginning February 23, and continuing for three days thereafter, there was held at the Auditorium at Saginaw, Mich., a Sportsman's Show under the auspices of the Saginaw County Sportsman's Association, of which H. A. Penney is the secretary and W. S. Linton chairman of the committee on the Sportsman's Show.

During this time also the Michigan Wild Life Conservation Association also held its annual meeting. The auditorium has a seating capacity of 4,500. Each of the three evenings addresses and moving pictures was given and shown by noted exponents of outdoor life.

Activity Among the Blue Rock Busters

SCHEDULED TRAP SHOOTING EVENTS.

Bay View figures on staging opening shoot at Alameda grounds on Sunday, March 5th.
Newly organized Alameda Elks Club, opening shoot at G. G. Club's Alameda grounds, Sunday, March 12.
San Jose Club's opening shoot at San Jose, Sunday, March 5.
Golden Gate Club's opening club shoot, Sunday, March 19.
Oregon State Shoot at Albany, Ore., on May 15, 16.

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At Golden Gate Club.—The Golden Gate Gun Club opened the season auspiciously on Washington's Birthday with a practice shoot at its new grounds in Alameda. A banner crowd, numbering over fifty, put in an appearance for the opening and thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to sight once again at the tarhawks. Luncheon was served at noon and the gathering had one glorious good time. The attendance augurs well for thesuccess of the club's events this season.

The scores set up were creditable considering that the boys are somewhat out of practice. With the exception of one or two, all were at the traps for the first time in months and it will take a couple more shoots to put them in first class trim. O. N. Ford, the star from the San Jose Blue Rock Club, was a visitor and was high gun for 100 birds. He cracked 25 each in the first two frames and came through with 97 to his credit. Dr. McGettigan and Toney Prior were close behind with 94 each. R. Avery established a consistent 93 and C. A. Merrill got 89.

Some of the boys went in for heavy firing and shot over 100 birds. N. A. Howard started poorly with only 18 out of 25, but he struck his stride and landed 181 out of 200. Frank Webster went along fine for the first 100, getting 88, but he fell down in the next frame with an unlucky 13. Colonel J. W. Dorsey went for a 150 but grew tired in the last 25, which hurst his score. H. Stelling did not go under 20 once for a 135x150 mark.

Among the professionals, L. B. Hawxhurst was in fine fettle, as his score of 120x125 would indicate. He had a 96 for the first 100. Al Cook, C. Knight and J. Jones also showed to good advantage. To give an idea of how the individuals were shooting the following scores have been tabulated:

Shooter—	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	Bke.	Targ.
O. N. Ford	25	25	24	23	..	..	..	97	x 100
D. McGettigan	23	23	24	24	..	..	..	94	x 100
T. Prior	21	25	24	24	..	..	..	94	x 100
A. Cooke*	23	25	23	21	23	20	..	233	x 150
W. Ellis*	19	19	21	18	..	..	..	77	x 100
J. W. Dorsey	21	21	19	19	19	14	..	113	x 150
L. Middleton	16	21	11	14	..	..	..	60	x 100
W. Moore*	19	15	..	..	..	..	..	34	x 50
E. Ward	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	x 25
W. Stressler	20	21	22	..	..	..	..	65	x 75
W. L. Evers	16	16	20	15	..	..	..	67	x 100
E. Korn	13	11	..	..	..	..	..	24	x 50
Wheeler	18	18	..	..	..	..	..	36	x 50
Chase	9	9	..	..	..	..	..	18	x 50
Miss G. Meyers	20	18	16	18	..	..	..	72	x 100
L. B. Hawxhurst*	24	23	24	25	24	..	..	120	x 125
R. Avery	24	23	22	24	..	..	..	93	x 100
N. A. Howard	18	23	22	24	24	25	22	23—181	x 200
B. Worthen	25	23	22	23	19	24	..	136	x 150
C. Knight*	21	24	23	24	22	24	..	138	x 150
H. Stelling	21	23	23	21	23	24	..	135	x 150
W. H. Price	18	19	19	..	..	..	..	56	x 75
Vannoy	20	18	23	21	..	..	..	83	x 100
Lidley	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	5	x 25
A. E. Stoneberger	18	20	23	20	..	..	..	81	x 100
J. French*	22	20	..	..	..	..	..	42	x 50
Miss Wilkes	4	7	..	..	..	..	..	11	x 50
Lockhart	18	12	22	17	..	..	..	51	x 75
F. Miller	16	15	20	..	..	..	..	51	x 75
C. A. Merrill	21	23	24	21	..	..	..	89	x 100
Arques	24	24	21	20	..	..	..	89	x 100
Dearheart	9	16	..	..	..	..	..	25	x 50
G. Thomas	19	19	22	..	..	..	..	60	x 75
J. Jones*	22	22	23	..	..	..	..	67	x 75
Carman	13	17	..	..	..	..	..	30	x 50
Beetham	23	17	..	..	..	..	..	40	x 50
F. Adams	16	16	20	..	..	..	..	52	x 75
P. Swenson	16	19	18	..	..	..	..	53	x 75
T. W. Parsons	16	20	17	20	..	..	..	73	x 100
Topham	19	19	21	..	..	..	..	59	x 75
P. Curte	10	16	..	..	..	..	..	26	x 50
R. Thornning	21	20	..	..	..	..	..	41	x 50
H. C. Peet	21	23	18	..	..	..	..	62	x 75
Wickersham	17	22	20	..	..	..	..	59	x 75
R. Lewis	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	14	x 25
Frank Webster	24	21	22	21	13	..	..	101	x 125
D. Best	20	17	21	18	20	..	..	96	x 125
Walts	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	6	x 25
Blum	10	21	..	..	..	..	..	21	x 50
Daisy	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	16	x 25

*Professionals.

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At Vernon Club.—A mysterious "dark horse" named Lee Williams, who shot out at Vernon a week ago and hung up a 90 per cent practice score, came out on top in the sixteenth fifty-bird handicap trap shoot staged Sunday morning at the Vernon Gun Club traps for the W. H. Wilshire trophy with a score of forty-nine broken birds out of the fifty thrown from eighteen yards.

Not only was the shooter mysterious, but the whole shoot was mystifying. L. D. Blanchard hung up a score early in the contest of a like number, and became so confident as the shoot progressed that he cleaned and packed his bird exterminator and started for home.

But in the meantime the scores kept rolling in from the forty some shooters entered in the competition, and when they had all been checked up Williams, who was one of the last to shoot, was found to have equaled the score of Blanchard.

No one had missed Blanchard, and when announcer Bill Pugh began calling his name in preparation for the shoot-off no answer came.

Inasmuch as trap shooting rules call for a shooter to stay on the grounds in a case of tie or forfeit, Blanchard incidentally forfeited his right to the Wilshire prize to Williams.

However, Williams said that beyond all probability he will be out on the grounds next Sunday, and if Blanchard is there he will offer to shoot off the match then, rules or no rules. Good luck to Williams—a regular sport, even though he is mysterious.

Three traps were put to work and 6100 targets were thrown. When three traps are working it means that fifteen shooters are firing almost at once.

Sixty-three shooters in all competed during the day, with a squad of small-bore cracks on the job. Captain DuBray, the small-bore king and a Parker gun representative, led the small-bore squad, which included Ed Hedderly, Connolly, McKee, Pete Peterson and Bill Dougherty of the Hoegee Company.

The fifty birds in the Wilshire competition also cover the scores on the four silver loving cups. Frank Mellus won in class A, Williams in class B, Peterson in C and Dunn in D.

Three women shooters were on the grounds Sunday and competed in the open event. Mrs. C. E. Groat hung up a score of forty-two "dead birds," while Mrs. Heine Pfirrmann broke fifty birds out of seventy-five thrown.

The complete scores follow:

Wilshire Handicap Competition of fifty targets—

Shooter—	Hdcp.	Targ.	Bke.
J. F. Dodds	20	50	37
Frank Mellus	21	50	48
Tuckett	18	50	41
Stanton Bruner	21	50	42
R. H. Smith	17	50	41
J. C. Famechon	18	50	41
Kunz	18	50	44
Manderville	16	50	40
Middleton	16	50	41
Rapp	16	50	33
Bill Pugh	18	50	35
Lou Mellus	20	50	43
Dr. Davis	16	50	36
O. Evans	17	50	36
R. L. Hall	19	50	38
Ed Hedderly	16	50	37
L. D. Blanchard	20	50	49
H. T. Brown	16	50	33
Dougherty	17	50	41
C. E. Groat	16	50	40
Mrs. C. E. Groat	16	50	42
Harry Cline	17	50	37
George T. Cline	16	50	41
Fred Grewell	19	50	42
Hahn	16	50	16
Sutke	16	50	19
White	18	50	44
George Melford	18	50	39
Williams	18	50	49
Du Bray	16	50	21
Fullerton	17	50	39
Meek	16	50	46
Dunn	16	50	44
Dr. Packard	21	50	46
Mills	18	50	47
Donnelly	16	50	38

Open Event at sixteen yards—

Dodds shot at 50, broke 46; F. Mellus 200—173, Tuckett 100—88, S. Bruner 100—89, R. H. Smith 50—44, McKee 50—44, Bob Bole 50—28, D. Madeau 75—39, Lawrence 50—32, Voorhies 50—33, Famechon 100—83, Kunz 100—88, Foor 50—30, Manderville 75—58, Carpentier 25—76, Middleton 50—39, Van Nest 100—54, Connolly 75—48, Rapp 50—25, Adams 25—21, Pugh 50—39, Lou Mellus 75—61, Oliver 25—7, Mather 25—17, Evans 25—20, R. L. Hall 225—193, Guy Holohan 200—174, Hedderly 75—52, Blanchard 25—22, Brown 25—19, Council 25—14, Dougherty 50—44, C. E. Groat 75—62, Mrs. Groat 50—38, Harry Cline 25—15, Geo. Cline 50—35, J. Madeau 50—31, Shadwell 25—10, Grewell 50—41, Dehtre 50—41, Williams 100—91, Du Bray 25—19, Fullerton 100—78, Wilson 25—9, Braur 50—25, T. P. Smith 50—43, Kays 25—16, Meek 75—69, Dierdoff 25—19, P. E. Peterson 50—36, H. Groat 25—16, Dunn 50—40, Mrs. Heine Pfirrmann 75—50, J. C. Cline 25—18, Mrs. Olsen 25—15.

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Biggs Club Holds Shoot.—With a membership of 35 the Biggs Blue Rock Club has been organized and has already started the season's activities. Officers have been elected as follows: L. W. Doty, President; Vice-President, Leon Brink; Treasurer, J. D. Hanlon; Secretary, Alvin Harry; Executive Committee, W. B. Ellington, S. M. Arnold and W. E. Elder.

At a preliminary shoot held Sunday W. B. Ellington made the high score, breaking 19 out of 20 birds. L. W. Doty was second, hitting 18 out of 20 of the birds, while L. Albers was third with a score of 17 out of 20. L. Doty succeeded in making a score of 82 out of a possible hundred.

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At Portland Gun Club.—President A. W. Strowger of the Portland Gun Club has announced the conditions under which the Imperial Gold and Diamond medal will be shot for during the period beginning Sunday and ending June 5th. All members of the club are eligible to shoot for this prize, but it is necessary, however, that there be at least 10 entries every time it is shot for, and the second 25 targets are to count for this prize. It is also necessary that at least 10 shooters signify their intentions of shooting for the prize at any time.

Shooters are handicapped according to their own scores, that is, the added bird system is used and each shooter has a handicap of the difference between the number of targets he breaks and 23 birds. For example, if a shooter should break twenty out of 25 targets, the following Sunday he would have three targets added to the number which he actually broke. If he broke 22 it would give him a perfect score, and the next time he shot for the prize he would receive a handicap of one target. This gives all shooters an equal chance. L. Rayburn is the holder of the prize.

Eleven shooters faced the traps in the mid-week tournament of the Portland Gun Club, P. J. Holohan heading the trap men with 94 per cent, Dennis Holohan being second.

Two match races were held during the shoot, H. R. Everding beating Frank Templeton in the first event and Everding and Pete Holohan winning from Templeton and E. H. Keller.

The percentages: P. J. Holohan 86, D. Holohan 90, H. R. Everding 86, E. H. Keller 85, Jim Seavey 83, Frank Templeton 81, H. A. Derrick 81, J. G. Clemson 60, R. A. Fawcett 63, G. Bertz 38, and F. C. Moser 30.

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Eureka Club Shoot.—The opening shoot of the Eureka Blue Rock Club was held on the club grounds on Gunther's Island on Sunday, Feb. 20, and eighteen of the local trigger pullers faced the traps. Curtis O. Falk won first place on the regular club shoot of fifty birds with a score of 48x50. George Coleman was second with 47x50 and E. J. Robinson third with 46x50. Following are the scores that were made:—

Shooter—	25	25	25	25	Total
E. J. Robinson	21	25	..	..	...
Harry Kelly	17	23	17	23	80
Roy Poland	20	23	..	..	...
Al Shorkley	16	18	16	19	69
Ira Russ	20	21	23	23	87
Lou Everding	19	22	23	..	...
Paul Burns	21	22	14	17	74
Warren innes	23	22	24	25	94
George Coleman	24	23	23	..	...
Jas. Hutcheson	21	23	22	..	...
Myron Walsh	18	20	..	..	...
H. H. Rickelson	21	21	23	24	89
Henry Buhne	19	14	21	..	...
Harry Hinman	20	23	21	..	...
Curtis O. Falk	24	24	24	..	...
Charles E. Falk	22	15	..	..	...
H. W. Jackson	16	..	..	..	...
Charles C. Falk	22	22	..	..	...

Eureka, Cal. W. E. INNES, Secretary.

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Big Time Gun Club.—At a rousing annual meeting of the Big Time Gun Club, which boasts a membership of 157, held last week at Sacramento, Lee Gorman was again unanimously chosen president of the club. H. F. Stober was re-elected secretary and publicity agent. One of the liveliest years of the club's existence is promised. Monte Newbert was elected field captain and will have charge of the shoots and general activities of the club.

F. Biewener and J. Kestler were elected members of the board of directors of the club, a new feature of administration, which will be composed of the three officers and two other elective members. They will look after the general interests of the club.

John Schenk, who owns three acres of land on the Fruit Ridge road, again gave the club the use of his land for shooting purposes and declared that it would remain the property of the club for the rest of his life, so far as he knew. The property will be improved, fenced, alfalfa planted and a clubhouse erected before the next big meet, which will take place either in March or April, when it is expected the property will be fully improved. A number of new traps will be installed.

Following the annual meeting refreshments and a social time closed the session.

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New Grounds for Vallejo.—Judging from the enthusiasm displayed at the meeting of the Vallejo Gun Club last week, the trap shooters are in for the time of their lives this summer.

The committee on new grounds is not yet satisfied with its investigations and was given additional time to look over the field.

Plans for several inter club shoots were taken up. It is proposed to interest Napa and Cordelia in an early preliminary shoot and later on to have a Statewide competition here. Already quite a bit of interest has been manifested by the marksmen who would like to try out around the bay.

It was decided to install the standard legget traps on the new ground this year.

James V. O'Hara was re-elected president of the club. The other officers are, Vice-President, William Mann; Captain, J. W. Peckham; Lieutenant, Fred Leicke; Treasurer, C. L. Wisecarver; Secretary, Herbert Yocum.

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Alameda Elks' Club—The Alameda Elks Gun Club has been thoroughly organized and is ready for the opening shoot of the season at the Golden Gate Club's grounds on Sunday, March 12th. The club's monthly shoot will be held the second Sunday of every month. Tom Haskins has been elected president and Fred Hiller secretary. Prospects are for an assured membership of fifty. Many well-known shots, among them Jack Walker, Lou Schroder, Judge Weinmann, "Little Jeff" Dodd, Bill Ellis, H. C. Peet and the like, have joined. They are a bunch of good fellows who are ging in strong for the sport. Bill Ellis mentions that inasmuch as a deal of friendly rivalry has existed between the Berkeley, Oakland and Alameda lodges for some time past in baseball and bowling, why should not the neighboring Elks get together a club and try to clean the Alameda boys? Looks like it is a challenge.

Sportsmen's Row

Capt. A. W. DuBray was given a royal reception by the Los Angeles shooters on Sunday. The Captain is appreciated as an enthusiastic advocate of the smaller bore shotguns. He is an all-around good sportsman and boasts of a host of friends up and down the Coast.

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The Southern California Rod and Reel Club has events scheduled at Eastlake Park on March 12th, April 9th and May 7th.

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Clarence A. Haight, known as the "Father of Trapshooting on the Pacific Coast," is in the East for a flying trip on business. He is expected home within a couple of weeks and will be a familiar figure at the traps. The veteran has been shooting since the early eighties.

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Deputy Fish and Game Commissioner Henry J. Ables of Santa Maria reported two accidental shootings of hunters in Santa Barbara county in 1915, both through carelessness. Injuries from bursting guns are much rarer than purely accidental shootings, and constantly suggests the need of care in handling arms which make such horribly deadly wounds as shotguns.

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W. L. Evers, a cousin of Johnny Evers, the famous second baseman for the Boston Braves, is a bug on trap-shooting. He is a member of the Golden Gate Club and attends many of the tournaments.

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Walter Nagle, the famous Los Angeles baseball pitcher who is secretary of the Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce, is taking an interest in reviving the sport alluring in Santa Rosa. New life will be instilled in the Santa Rosa Blue Rock Club and it is likely that blue rocks will be flying next month.

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Vernon Chaney, secretary of the Healdsburg Gun Club, is taking an interest in getting the Healdsburg shooters started again. Plans have been mapped out to install new traps and start the ball a-rolling again.

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Bill Saunders of Santa Rosa is said to be close to 85 years of age but he is one of the youngest when it comes to making the smoke fly out of the tarhawks. He shows a lot of pep and spirit at the traps.

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The fifth mid-winter banquet of the San Francisco Fly-Casting Club will be held at Techau Tavern on Thursday evening, March 2nd. F. J. Cooper is president and P. W. Shattuck secretary of the club, and P. M. Nippert is chairman of the banquet committee.

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The members of the Golden Gate Gun Club are tickled with the new grounds. They say they are the best the club has ever had and everyone knows the club has had a few homes. Work will commence shortly in building a clubhouse on the new grounds so as to accommodate members and their friends.

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J. A. Cook paid a visit to Vallejo the other day and was impressed with the outlook for a banner trapshooting season. Billy King told him that the Vallejo Club will extend the club's hospitality to all visiting shooters.

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Talk about big bears—James McGuire, known affectionately by the boys of the San Francisco Press Club as "Government," declares that last year in Modoc county a couple of Indians killed one that weighed 783 pounds. Some bear, that, and "Gov" says it is an honest-to-goodness fact.

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Americans arriving from Scotland say that practically no hunting is being done in the Scottish game fields, the majority of hunters having gone to the war or being too busy to engage in their favorite sport. As a result of this the country is overrun with grouse, partridge and other game.

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Joseph Howell, a well known hunter of the mountain section near Dunlap, killed one of the largest grizzly bears seen in this vicinity for years, during the past week. The animal was shot near Camp Kanawyer, and is as tall as an ordinary man when standing upright. Grizzly bears are not numerous in the mountains here, and when a hunter secures one as a trophy of the hunt, it is considered quite a record of marksmanship, as they are not only wary of appearing in sight of men, but the cold weather has driven much larger game down from the high mountains in search of food.

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Plans are under way for a series of shoots throughout the country this summer for members of the Boy Scouts of America. The boys will be taught how to hold the gun and the little things to know about trapshooting, and some day the experience may come in useful.

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Albany, Oregon, has been selected as the place for holding the annual state shoot of the Oregon State Trapshooters' Association and May 15th and 16th have been fixed as the dates, the shoot to take place on the grounds of the Albany Gun Club.

William Cole is the latest victim of the vigilance of Game Warden Ray O'Connor. He was fined $25 by Justice Mulroy for having deer meat in his possession at a time of year when it is unlawful to be the possessor of such food.

Cole informed the game warden that deer meat made excellent bait for coyotes and that the only reason he killed a deer out of season was to secure the proper bait for the traps he has set all over the country in the vicinity of his home in an effort to ensnare the coyotes that have become a pest in his neighborhood. Considering the purpose for which Cole killed the deer, Justice Mulroy considered the circumstances extenuating and lessened the punishment.

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Jerry C. Horn of Humboldt county proved to be the State's champion huntsman during the month of January, according to the records of State Controller John S. Chambers, who paid $380 in bounties on mountain lions for the month. Horn killed seven of the nineteen mountain lions captured in the entire State and received therefor from the State $140, a respectable month's wages, to say nothing of the value of the pelts.

Tuolumne county furnished four of the total killed and Siskiyou two. The following counties are credited with one lion each during the month: Mendocino, Tulare, Kern, Nevada and Placer.

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The old system of using half blue rocks and half whiteflyers at the Grand American Trapshooting Handicap has been changed, and white flyers exclusively will be used at St. Louis in August. The western automatic traps also will be used. The shooting park is equipped with these traps and, therefore, the club will be at no expense in observing the rules.

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The heavy snow in the west and northwest sections of the United States has resulted in covering up the natural food of quail and other game birds. Game wardens have been reporting to their State Commissions that thousands of birds are starving. The National Association of Audubon Societies, co-operating with the Department of Agriculture, has been sending funds to various state societies for the purchose of grain to feed the birds.

Also the post office department, co-operating with the Biological Survey, has permitted mail carriers in certain sections of the country to distribute grain to the birds.

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At the shoot held by the Roseburg Gun Club at Winchester on February 12th, Roy Miller, a druggist of that place, won the grand prize medal. Mr. Miller and Steve Pearson tied on the first event with a score of 25 birds each. On the second trial they tied again with 23 birds each. On the shoot-off Miller broke 23 out of a possible 25 birds, while Pearson broke 23.

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Mr. C. E. Christely, the Mill Valley lumberman and a party of his friends had a good day's fishing off Mussel rock on Sunday. Mr. Alfred Nilson, who caught the first salmon this season on Saturday, knew just where to find the fish and every man in his launch came home with a big prize.

ALASKAN HUNTER AFTER VARMINTS.

Arthur Ruppel, an Alaskan big game hunter and sportsman's guide, has been in Los Angeles for surgical attention, and being one of those chaps who choke for air amidst the skyscrapers, has been "batching" it between whiles over toward Lee Avery mountain off the Ridge road, between Los Angeles and Antelope valley.

Ruppel knows the signs, and says there are more "varmints" up that way than any one seems to realize. He wonders why some of our big game hunters do not take advantage of the next tracking snow and turn a few Airedales and hounds loose with him in that country.

Ruppel says it is almost a certainty of getting a lion or two, and cats and coyotes in plenty, as no one seems to have been bothering the pests thereabouts. Any one wanting further information or to arrange for a hunt with him can reach him by general delivery for a few days. Ruppel has had much bear experience up North.

Casting at Los Angeles.—The Southern Rod and Reel Club held a highly successful casting contest at Eastlake Park, February 6, before a crowd of at least 500 interested spectators. Joseph Welch, a veteran caster from the Crown City, and E. M. McKeany of Medford, Oregon, participated in the fly events. E. J. Kennedy really made the best showing of the day, for though Charles Van Horn, who crowded him closely, had three firsts to Kennedy's two, the latter's showing in other events more than offset this seeming advantage. Following are the scores:

Dry fly accuracy, scores per cent: Charles Van Horn 98.3 E. J. Kennedy 96.8, Joseph Welch 94, J. J. Lowe 88.6, E. M. McKeany 84.

Heavy tackle accuracy, scores per cent: E. J. Kennedy 98.8, Charles Van Horn 98, E. M. McKeany 97.4, J. J. Lowe 94.

Heavy tackle distance fly, scores in feet: Charles Van Horn 83, E. J. Kennedy 81, J. J. Lowe 73, Joseph Welch 72.6, E. M. McKeany 72.

Roll fly, scores per cent: Van Horn 70.6, Kennedy 65.6, Welch 60.

Half-ounce accuracy bait, scores per cent: C. J. Lenarth 98, Oscar Lane 97.2, A. E. Perkins 96.8, Sherman Baker 96.7, H. A. Richey 96.2, Lowe 96, Kennedy 95.8, Eugene Herman 95.5, A. Greenbaum 90.3.

Half-ounce distance bait, scores in feet: Kennedy 178, Lane 171.2, Eugene Herman 132.2, Lowe 98.7, Sherman Baker 86, C. J. Lenarth 43.2.

Longest single cast, Oscar Lane, 225.6 feet.

Two and one-half ounce distance bait, scores in feet: A. E. Perkins 191.09, Sherman Baker 188.01, C. King 127.01, C. F. Stancliff 117.10.

Longest single cast, A. E. Perkins, 268 feet.

REGISTERED TRAP SHOOTS.

Editor, Breeder & Sportsman:

Following is an advance list of Tournaments that have been registered to be held up to and including April 5th.

No more bulletins will be issued until the complete list of applications have been passed upon:—

Ogden, Utah.—March 17. Utah State Sportsmen's Association, A. R. Bain, Secretary.

Chapman, Kans.—March 17. Chapman Gun Club, Henry Wadick, Secretary. ("Old Policy.")

Coatesville, Pa.—March 22. Coatesville Gun Club, G. E. Dietrich, M. D., Secretary.

Guantanamo, Cuba.—March 25. Red Cross Gun Club, of U. S. S. Solace, F. P. Williams, P. A. Paymaster, U. S. Navy, Secretary.

Hartford, Conn.—April 1. Housatonic Rod & Gun Club, L. W. Burgess, Secretary.

Lincoln, Nebr.—April 5. Lincoln Gun Club, O. D. Beemer, Secretary.

Concordia, Kans.—April 5. Blue Ribbon Gun Club, J. F. Caldwell, Secretary. ("Old Policy.")

THE INTERSTATE ASSOCIATION,
E. REED SHANER, Secretary.

Pittsburgh, Feb. 19.

Telegraph Trap Shoot.—Mrs. C. O. O'Connor, Mrs. Fred Dryden and Mrs. B. LeMar of Spokane defeated a team of Portland women Sunday, Feb. 20, in a special telegraph trap shoot. The Spokane women shot over the Moran traps and scored 51, while the best the Portland women could do was 35.

The scores follow:

The Portland women's scores—

Mrs. Ada Schilling 16, Miss Gladys Reed 11, Mrs. E. H. Kellar 9; total, 36.

Spokane women—

Mrs. C. O. O'Connor 23, Mrs. F. A. Dryden, Mrs. B. LeMar, 16; total, 51.

BLACK BASS SEASON TO OPEN.

The open season for black bass will open in Districts three and four on March1st. Districts one, two and twelve do not open until May first. The open counties include Contra Costa, Alameda, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Cruz, Santa Clara, San Benito, San Luis Obispo, and that portion of San Joaquin, Stanislaus, Merced and Fresno lying west of the San Joaquin river and the open fishing waters for bass in District four are San Bernardino, Riverside, Imperial, San Diego, Los Angeles, Orange, Ventura and Santa Barbara.

WILSON SNIPE BREED IN CANADA.

Fortunately the breeding grounds of most of the Wilson snipe are in Canada, where the birds are protected by both law and custom throughout the nesting season. Moreover, their nesting sites are on land that will not for many years, possibly not for several generations, be used for agricultural purposes.

Hence there is provided in Canada an enormous and favorable breeding area for these game birds, a region which formerly supported a snipe population many times more numerous than at present and which will continue to return to us in the United States each fall a liberal increase on whatever numbers we may allow to cross our northern border in spring.

The snipe has suffered in numbers probably more severely from spring shooting than any other shore bird. In spring migration it is not confined to any special district, as the coast or large bodies of inland water or the plains, but it occurs over nearly every square mile of its range, and in the past has run the gauntlet of gunners throughout the whole course of its northward flight.

Snipe shooting is at its height early in March in the central part of the South and early in April in the region just south of the breeding range; but pursuit ceases and security comes at the northern boundary of the United States.

Our Canadian cousins have set us a most praiseworthy example in absolutely abolishing spring shooting; once the snipe has escaped beyond the fire of Uncle Sam's gunners it is safe from human molestation throughout the nesting season and until it begins the fall migration.

It is uneconomical, to say the least, to kill birds in March and April while on their way to the breeding grounds, for if left undisturbed they will certainly return six months later with 50 to 100 per cent increase in number.

WELLS W. COOKE,
Assistant Biologist, Bureau of Biological Survey.
Washington, D. C.

FRED BURNHAM'S HAWAIIAN FISHING TRIP.

In the early morning of January 15, Fred K. Burnham of Martinez, California, a member of the Catalina Tuna Club, big game hunter, speed boat enthusiast and all-round sportsman, and the writer, started in a Japanese motor sampan for the fishing grounds off Molokini—a volcanic rock distant eight miles from the quaint Hawaiian fishing village of Maalaca Bay, on the Island of Maui.

As soon as the boat got under way, trolling was commenced with two regulation sixteen-ounce rods and twenty-four thread cuttyhunk lines. Nine minutes after leaving the wharf we had two strikes. Nothing but the heads of the tempting bait—a fat opelu (the native mackerel) were left on the No. 9 tarpon hooks. Two finny monsters had played with fate for two tasty morsels. As the deeper waters off Molokini were approached, and with the engines slowed down almost to a crawl, Burnham got a strike which took 400 feet of his line.

He succeeded in stopping his fish, and by vigorous "pumping" he reeled in a couple of hundred feet of line; the fish—a magnificent specimen of ono—then broke water.

The fierce rushes and downward plunges of the monster taxed all the skill of Burnham for thirty minutes. The fish measured five feet four inches in length.

The writer got the next strike—a forty-five pound dolphin, four feet, six inches in length. These fish are exceedingly fast swimmers, keeping to the surface after striking, and making a succession of leaps high in the air in a vain attempt to shake off the hook.

The sampan was stopped and anchored in 150 fathoms of still water, within 200 yards of the northeast point of Molokini Island.

After ten minutes of wily tactics, a leaping tuna struck at Burnham's bait with a straightaway rush which made the reel fairly screech. Five hundred feet of line went over the side of the boat quicker than it takes to relate it, and then the fish sounded. For twenty-one minutes it was a test of endurance between an experienced game fisherman and the bull dog of the ocean making a gallant fight for liberty. The fisherman won, and he was rewarded with a sixty-pound bluefin tuna, for which sportsmen have traveled half way around the world to capture.

With the engine speeded up to five knots an hour trolling was tried around the island. I landed a seventeen pound ulua of the pompano family, a very gamey fish; this was followed by a well hooked long fin tuna. Before this fish could be reeled up to the side of the boat for gaffing, four sharks attacked it, and only the head was gaffed. From the size of the head, however, the fish would have weighed from forty to fifty pounds.

Then it was Burnham's turn to add to his laurels. He struck another ono. He had hooked a tartar. With six hundred feet trailing over the stern of the sampan there came a sudden check, then a furious jerk of the line and the fight seemed to have ended. Carefully reeling in his line to avoid surprises, Burnham brought to the side of the boat what would have been a perfect specimen of this Hawaiian game fish had not the sharks done their work. Four chunks had been bitten from the sides and upper portion of the tail as if carved by a butcher's knife.

The fish measured six feet and took two men to pull it aboard after gaffing.—H. Gooding Field, in S. F. Examiner.

FISH TRAPPING APPARATUS DISCOVERED.

In the discovery of a complete fish trapping apparatus including twelve traps and 700 feet of lines in the San Joaquin river and sloughs, State Fish and Game Deputies Sam Ellis and A. H. Brown believe that they have found the equipment of the gang of game violators who operate the so-called "underground" marketing system.

Following the arrest and conviction of E. J. Otley in Judge Smith's court last week, and the charges brought against W. V. Davis, for having black bass in their possession, the game officers made a diligent search of their stamping grounds with the reward in the discovery of the equipment.

Otley was fined $50 and given 100 days in the county jail. Davis, his companion, pleaded not guilty.

STEELHEAD ANGLING IN OREGON.

Steelhead trout are occupying the center of the piscatorial stage in Oregon just now and are billed to continue until March 20. The other varieties of trout will not be much in evidence until April 1. Steelhead fishing is good on the Sandy River from Troutdale to the point where the Bull Run River empties into it, notwithstanding the snow. The Bull Run River also affords good fishing. On the Columbia River, going east from the Interstate bridge, many fishermen can be seen casting for steelheads. Some of the best fishing in the state is to be had on the lower Nehalem River, near Battersea. Reports of good fishing come in from Big Creek, and Seaside anglers are enjoying some good sport with the gamy trout in the Necanicum River, which runs through the town. Many local anglers are waiting for the Spring chinook salmon fishing at Oregon City, which is best throughout April and May, but starts on March 20. The salmon Club of Oregon is encouraging fishing with a six-ounce rod, not shorter than five feet, and a line to test not over eighteen pounds. On this point they are taking after other large clubs. Fishing in this way makes the sport harder and creates better sportsmanship. A bronze button is given to every member of the club catching a twenty-pound salmon; a silver button for a thirty-pounder, and a gold button to every member catching a forty-pounder.—O. C. R., in American Field.

184 Species of Fish in California

GREATEST VARIETY OF ANY STATE IN THE UNION

There are 184 different species of edible fish in the waters of California, according to the report made this week by George Neale, assistant fish and game commissioner for Sacramento. Of this number 52 different kinds inhabit the fresh waters of the State, while the remaining 132 may be found in the bay of San Francisco and in the waters of the Pacific along the coast.

"California has more different kinds of fish than any other State in the Union," said Neale, "principally because the waters are adaptable to the fish of any other climate, and because of the excellent system of protecting the water game of the State. California is now the angler's heaven, and it will not be long before the State will have a reputation for fish second to no country in the world."

The Eastern States have done much toward increasing the number of kinds of fish to be found in California waters. In fact, there is no State, according to Neale, which boasts any important fish which has not contributed to California. The introduction of foreign fish to California commenced as early as 1871, when Seth Green brought 100,000 shad, which were planted in the Sacramento river at Tehama the day they arrived. Now the State has more shad than it can dispose of on the markets. In 1872 carp was introduced from Germany, and later a large shipment from Japan, from which the waters of the State became well supplied with what is now one of the standard market species.

In 1877 eighty-eight adult trout were planted in Sutterville Lake at Sutterville and about Alameda. The first eastern brook trout came in 1872 from the United States fisheries in Michigan and were planted in various parts of the State. In the same year the first consignment of white fish came from Washington, D. C., and were distributed throughout the state. They are different from the native white fish. Eels were planted in the Sacramento river in the 80's, but were never a success. Catfish were introduced from the Mississippi valley and New Jersey along about the same time and have developed into one of the most numerous fish of the Sacramento and San Joaquin rivers. They were planted first near Stockton. Later, 305 Atlantic salmon from the coast of Maine were introduced into California waters, being planted near Redding.

Black bass first came from Lake Champlain in 1891, 620 being planted in the Feather river near Gridley. Striped bass were introduced into the State in 1879 and were planted in the straits of Carquinez. Landlock salmon came from the United States fisheries in 1878, while yellow perch were introduced in 1891 and were first planted in the Feather river. The crappie or blue gill sunfish came to the State in 1908 and has thrived in all waters of the State. The United States sent to California 100,000 Mackinaw trout from Michigan only a few years ago and these now inhabit Lake Tahoe and other mountain waters.

The fact that the waters of the State are adaptable to practically every fish of any other climate leads members of the commission to believe that at the present rate of increase in the number of species of fish it will not be long before fish of every water in the world will be found in the streams and along the coast of this State.

NEW YORK RECOGNIZES TRAP SHOOTING.

The recognition by the park commissioners of trap shooting as a sport by the setting aside of two acres of ground in the northeastern section of Van Cortlandt Park for the devotees of the sport is another indication of the marvelous growth of the pastime. New York is the first city to realize the importance of trap shooting, and the necessity of having public traps. Many cities have municipal tennis courts, gridiron and baseball fields, and some few have established golf links, but the trap shooter has no place in the public parks where he can bang away at the clay birds. Now he is coming into his own. No sooner had the New York commissioners granted the shooters permission to go ahead with their plans for the erection of a $10,000 clubhouse than Chicago launched a boom for public traps in Grant Park.

This New York proposition was engineered by C. T. Summerson, secretary of the White Plains Gun Club. He formed the Greater New York Gun Club, which now has 500 members. The organization should be the largest in the country within a year. The largest at present is the Chicago Trap Shooting Club, with 600 members. The park commissioners have given the club a 10-year permit for the use of the park, but also stipulate that the shooting will come under the supervision of the commissioners. Any citizen may join the club, and the dues will be small. Three days of the week will be set aside when only the members of the club will be permitted to use the traps. The other three days will give the general public a chance to try their accuracy and skill in hitting the blue rocks.

Schuetzen Club Scores.—The California Schuetzen Club held its monthly shoot Sunday on the club range, California Schuetzen Park, San Rafael. Charles Ott, veteran marksman of the club, won first prize with a score of 69. The best scores:

Re-entry target—C. Meyer 219, 211, 206; F. Muhlebach, 217, 214; L. Wille 214, 213, 202; J. Frei, 210, 200; J. Utschig, 209, A. L. Ott 208, 184; J. R. Stalder 204, 190, 186; Charles Ott 200, 200, 194; J. H. Millett 195, 180; O. Burmeister 194, 189; M. Flynn 194, 182; Joseph Straub 183, 172; A. von Wyle 169, 163; Hilmer Pape 161, Joseph Capelli 160, 146.

Monthly bullseye—C. B. Morris 32, J. Utschig 74, O. Burmeister 230, V. von Hartwig 643, A. von Wyle 655, H. Schroder 692, J. Stalder 760, L. Wille 773, A. Strecher 880, C. Meyer 891, A. H. Pape 905, O. A. Bremer 981, Charles Ott 1020, H. Pape 1073, A. L. Ott 1125, John Frei 1325, J. Capelli 1412, J. S. Leutenegger 1415.

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The Lake Park Trapshooting club of Milwaukee, Wis., following the lead of the Greater New York Gun Club, has asked permission of the Milwaukee Park Commission to erect quarters and traps along the lake front. The shooters offer to bear the expenses of the improvements and will allow the park commissioners to supervise the sport.

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The Nebraska State Sportsmen's Association will conduct its annual tournament on May 23, 24 and 25, at Grand Island, Neb., the State Championship shoot being held on the final day.

SCORES OF SPOKANE SHOOT.

George K. March was high man in the Spokane Gun Club shoot for the Hy R. Everding trophy Sunday, Feb. 12th, over the Moran prairie traps. The scores follow:

Twenty yards—March 23, Schriver 22, T. Ware 21, McElroy 17, Little 14, Cochran 21, Dryden* 19, Perret* 19, Matthews 19, O'Connor 13.

Nineteen yards—Brown 21, Wieseman 21, C d'A. Tiffany 16, Mrs. Dryden 19.

Eighteen yards—Fleming 17, De Long 16, Blosser 22, Miles 18, F. C. Ward 18.

Seventeen yards—Clarke 19, A. C. Ware 14, Miss Lamar 17, Grant Ware 16, Hurley 14.

Sixteen yards—Grimmer 13, Gilbert 17, Allen 13, Mann 18, Buchanan 16.

Clarke & Bevan Trophy—

	Shot at.	Bke.	Hdcp.	Tt'l
Buchanan	25	19	6	25
F. Dryden	25	25	S	25
Fleming	25	21	4	25
Little	25	21	7	25
Matthews	25	24	1	25
McElroy	25	24	1	25
Miles	25	22	3	25
Hurley	25	17	7	24
Geo. March	25	17	7	24
Schriver	25	21	3	24
Grant Ware	25	18	6	24
Brown	25	21	2	23
Clarke	25	19	4	23
C. O'Connor	25	21	2	23
T. B. Ware	25	22	1	23
Cochran	25	19	3	22
Miss Lamar	25	14	8	22
F. C. Ward	25	17	5	22
De Long	25	17	4	21
Perret*	25	21	S	21
Tiffany	25	18	3	21
Gilbert	25	12	8	20
Grimmer	25	13	7	20
A. C. Ware	25	17	3	20
Williams	25	14	6	20
Blosser	25	17	2	19
Mann	25	6	12	18
Allen	25	8	6	14

*Professionals.

AVERAGES OF OREGON SHOOTERS.

Peter H. O'Brien of Portland was the leading amateur trapshooter in Oregon during 1915, according to the official averages issued by the Interstate Association. O'Brien's average was .9593. Lucian Rayburn, winner of the state championship and also of the Imperial Diamond medal, was second to O'Brien, with the percentage of .9472. Frank Van Atta and E. P. Troeh were tied for third place.

The veteran Pete Holohan topped the "shooting salesmen" with the percentage of .9403 and Jim Bull was next with the mark of .9211.

Miss Gladys Reid heads the women shooters, her average being .6644.

Indications are that the Last Chance Gun Club of Oroville citizens has won a final victory in its fight with the Wild Goose Country Club composed of Sacramento and San Franciscans, for the duck preserve on Butte Creek, near Gridley.

Monday was the last day on which the Wild Goose Country Club could register a protest against the granting of a patent to the Last Chance Gun Club to the 15-acre tract in question.

W. T. Baldwin, President of the Last Chance Gun Club, has received a certificate of approval from the Surveyor General's office. This certificate says the Last Chance Club will be granted a patent to the preserve in a few days.

It is considered likely the granting of the patent will throw out the injunction case now pending in the local Superior Court.

THE FARM

TO PICKLE PORK.

The side pork, cut in strips about six inches wide, should be packed closely in a large crock, with the pieces standing on edge, and salt sprinkled between the layers. Let it settle for two or three days, and then pour over it the pickle made as follows:

For each 100 pounds of pork take five ounces of saltpeter, eight pounds of rock salt, 3 gallons of boiling water. Cool before pouring over the meat.

Pork salted in this way, and then smoked, makes excellent bacon. If the brine should show signs of spoiling, pour it off, boil, cool, and pour over the meat again.—Farmer's Wife.

RANGE HORSES AS WAR STEEDS.

[Concluded from last week.]

As the demand has increased the requirements are a little less rigid than at first; horses that the inspectors turned down at a glance, when the buying first began, are now often accepted gladly. This will continue to be the case as the demand increases and the choice stock is cleaned up.

Just before the war was started the value of American horses exported to Europe for the year is given at three million dollars. With one year of fighting the value of exported horses leaped up to $63,816,500. The value of mules exported the year before war began was $580,000. A year's fighting shows an increased value of the long-eared beasts exported to be $12,700,000. The English government pays the best prices, and France is next and recently placed an order of $1,000,000 for American horses. Five thousand head of this order was to be delivered within 60 days.

Prices paid for Western army horses are: For heavy artillery, $186 light artillery, $165, and for saddlers, $135 per head, passing inspection as above.

The W. E. Morse, J. C. Gupton, E. L. Fitch and T. W. Matthews herds, and Senator Chassell at Gillette, have supplied large numbers of horses for the allied armies at from 1,000 to 1,500 pounds weight, and none of these had ever eaten anything other than range grass.—Farm and Ranch.



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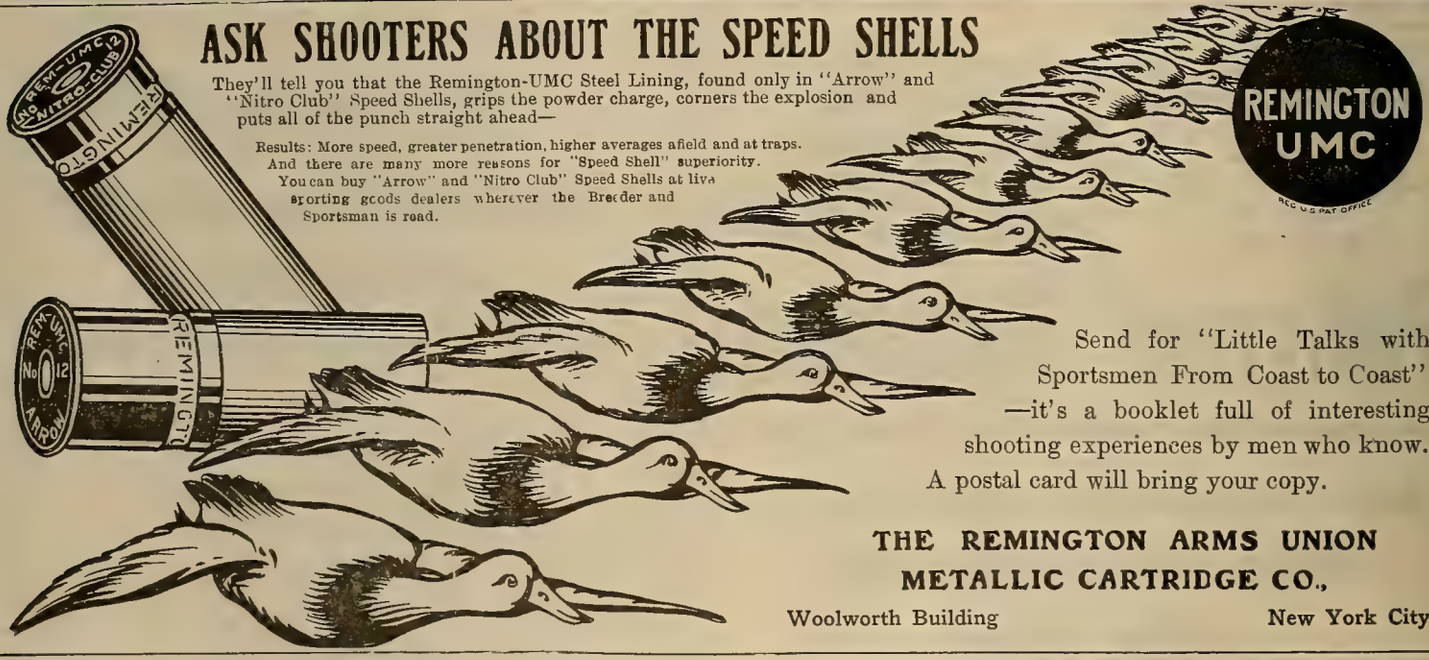
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- McKinney 2:11¾ — Alcyone 2:27, by Geo. Wilkes 2:22
- Mary Lou 2:17 — Rosa Sprague, by Gov. Sprague 2:20½

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YOLO COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION.

Plans for a county fair of a permanent nature, beginning with this season, were definitely put under way Saturday at Woodland when a goodly number of representative citizens from various parts of the county gathered in the rooms of the board of trade and organized the Yolo County Fair Association, with the following officers: President, A. C. Stevens; Vice-president, A. H. Brinton; Secretary, H. S. Maddox; Assistant Secretary, I. H. Gregg; Treasurer, J. D. Harling, and Board of Directors, E. A. Bullard, H. E. VanNorman, T. G. Russell, Thomas Roth, F. W. Blanchard, W. M Gould, F. W. Wilson, F. B. Edson, F. S. Stitt, William Leinberger, Emil Kraft, Frank Morris, G. H. Fish and Byron Archer. Every section of the big and prosperous county has pledged enthusiastic support to the county fair movement, and with this sort of feeling in evidence the success of the venture is assured.

Owing to the fact that the old plant of Woodland Stock Farm, while offering every facility for the staging of a race meeting, has no buildings of a nature suitable for the housing of the various classes of exhibits that will be made, it is the present proposal of the fair association to follow the course of other seasons and give their event in two sections, the race meeting and livestock display at the track and all other classes of exhibits down town, utilizing the armory and two large tents. If recourse must in any event be made to canvas for the sheltering of exhibits it would seem more advisable to erect all tents at the track and have the entire fair staged in the same enclosure, but the Woodland folks have probably figured it from all angles and think their plan the best. At all events it is far superior to no fair at all, and is the forerunner of an annual event which within the course of a year or so will undoubtedly find a commodious home, with all buildings and appurtenances, on the site of the old Woodland Stock Farm.

As the harness racing and livestock exhibits will be the leading features of the fair it is the wish of the directors to arrange a date that will not conflict with that of any other similar event in this section of the state, though a preference is expressed for the last week of August. "The last week of August," under existing conditions, would mean in reality the week of August 21-26, as Woodland would scarcely care to have her fair cut short in the middle of the week in order to get her exhibits in shape at the state fair, which begins on Saturday, September second. Horsemen also would have to make the move, and as Saturday in this country, and especially in a community like Woodland, is usually the one best bet of the week for attendance, their fair, if preceding that of the State Agricultural Association, would have to come on the dates suggested herein. This would necessitate advancing Santa Rosa to the week of August 14-19, and would permit the Dixon people to take over the dates originally planned in our proposed circuit for Woodland. Such a plan would also provide a more economical ship of horses, exhibits and amusement features. The sentiment at Dixon is highly favorable to the fair proposition and an arrangement of this sort would in all probability be quite welcome to the fair promoters at that point.

Some time ago we stated that the best of feeling undoubtedly existed between the Yolo county fair people and Mr. C. F. Silva, present owner of the old Woodland Stock Farm, and that the latter gentleman would gladly co-operate in every way with the association for the good of the cause. Our statement was amply verified Saturday when Mr. Silva appeared in person at the meeting in Woodland and tendered the use of his plant gratis for the purpose of putting on the races and the livestock exhibits. The action is most commendable and fully in keeping with the spirit of sportsmanship displayed by Mr. Silva ever since he became affiliated with the trotting horse business. The display of a similar spirit on the part of many other persons who can well afford to "stretch a point" in furthering a good cause would do much to relieve the present situation and to help re-establish the county fair, with harness racing, on a healthy and permanent basis.

"WESTERN IDEA" FAVORED AT PHOENIX.

Horsemen of the Pacific coast and adjoining states of the section lying west of the continental divide will read with pleasure the following extracts from a letter recently received at this office from Secretary T. D. Shaughnessy of the Arizona State Fair:

"We are planning on affiliating ourselves with the California Circuit instead of the Great Western, as it is very difficult for us to induce the horsemen from the Grand and Great Western Circuits to come this far west, except the ones which are homeward bound to California. I feel that it is advisable for us to fix our speed program to conform to the majority of western and southwestern horses, and think that a program arranged for their convenience, offering two starts for each horse which they may bring, will induce most of the California horsemen to ship from Riverside to Phoenix. As you remember we had great difficulty last year in filling our classes.

"I was very much interested in your article on the proposed circuit for California fairs in a recent issue of the Breeder and Sportsman, and trust that the tentative dates for the various meetings outlined may be adopted and made permanent, as they would about suit our convenience. We would really like to hold our meeting this year October 23-28, as the general election comes Nov. 7th and we think it advisable to be ten days ahead of this event. With best wishes for the success of the California Circuit, etc., etc."

The action proposed by Secretary Shaughnessy will not only meet with the warmest approbation from every horseman in this western country but it should also result in a much better speed program in every way for the Arizona State Fair—better entry lists and larger fields, with better sport and hotter contests. Phoenix, located some hundreds of miles from any other racing center, placed herself on the map some years ago by giving a speed program of such proportions as to draw horses from the eastern circuits, but conditions in a number of important ways have changed since that time. The Grand Circuit formerly closed at Lexington, from which point a number of good stables usually made the ship to Dallas and then to Phoenix, but with the Grand Circuit contingent jumping from Lexington to Atlanta this year, no harness racing at Dallas, and a smaller appropriation for the speed program than was the case a few years ago, it is hardly probable that Phoenix would be able to attract a very great number of the most pretentious eastern or central western stables. Last year the program was arranged with the hope of attracting the horses that participated in the P.-P. I. E. meeting and were eastward bound, but our visitors passed up Phoenix on the way home and the western stables had things all to themselves. Much of the original program failed to fill but Mr. Shaughnessy arranged special events to the limit of his appropriation, gave the California folks a run for their money that they still remember with thanks, and provided some most excellent "emergency sport" for the good crowds in attendance.

As arranged in our original experimental schedule and also in the Great Western plans, Phoenix was allotted the dates of October 30 to Nov. 4, but from this end of the line there can be but small objection, if any, to the advancement of one week favored in Mr. Shaughnessy's letter. It is quite evident from such information as we have been able to gather here that Riverside will hold her meeting not later than the week of Oct. 16-21, and most of the California stables will undoubtedly be at that point, from which it is but a little more than an overnight ship into Phoenix, by express. This advancement of one week would interfere with the Albuquerque fair, but this conflict can no doubt be smoothed over. Last year the far western contingent furnished most of the fun at the New Mexico exposition, and with the proper arrangement of dates coast horsemen who stayed in this section and the members of the fraternity who had made campaigns on the major circuits or in the short grass country or in the eastern Rocky mountain states could take advantage of both events, to the benefit of all parties concerned.

With a well balanced program for horses of moderate speed, from 2:06 or 2:07 to 2:15 or 2:18, and a couple of free-for-alls to care for the wid-splitters, supplemented by the usual events for Arizona horses only, with entries to close well along in the season, Phoenix should have one of the best meetings that has come her way for a long time.

THE PROGRAM AT SALEM.

The speed committee of the Oregon State Fair Board completed their work late last week and have announced the following program of events for this year's number of the State Fair series, both the trotters and pacers and the thoroughbreds being cared for very nicely in a schedule whose total offering is in excess of fifteen thousand dollars:

Monday, Sept. 25—Two-year-old trot, two in three, $200; 2:10 pace, $750; 2:25 trot, $600; five-eighths run, handicap, $200.

Tuesday, Sept. 26—2:15 trot, $700; 2:18 pace, $750; three-year-old trot, $400; five-eighths run, two-year-olds, $250; seven-eighths run, $250.

Wednesday, Sept. 27—Three-year-old pace, $400; 2:30 trot, $600; 2:08 pace, three-in-five, $2,000; mile run, $350; three-eighths run, $100.

Thursday, Sept. 28—3:00 trot, two in three, $200; 2:12 trot, three in five, $2,000; 2:20 pace, $750; Portland Derby, mile and a quarter, $500.

Friday, Sept. 29—2:18 trot, $700; free-for-all pace, $750; two-year-old pace, two in three, $200; five-eighths run, $250; halfmile run, $200.

Saturday, Sept. 30—Consolation trot, $500; consolation pace, $500; 2:25 pace, $750; mile run, handicap, $350.

With the exceptions above noted the harness events will be on the three heat, every heat a race plan which proved popular and successful throughout the northwest last season, and the fair will, as usual, attract the principal stables of this part of the world. Wednesday and Thursday, on which the more pretentious programs are staged, are Salem and Portland day, respectively, and the big delegations in the way of attendance are expected on those days. The addition of more running races than usual to the program will meet with the approval of the many friends of the thoroughbred in that section and will also add variety to the daily show. The dates of closing have not yet reached us but will be announced shortly. The speed committee is composed of Secretary A. H. Lea, E. B. Tongue of Hillsboro, H. W. Hatch and Dr. A G. Smith of Salem.

WHO HAS THE BEST COWS? UNIVERSITY WILL FIND OUT.

Who has the best cows in California?

The University of California wants to find that out, and to demonstrate how much better good cows are than poor ones. So the College of Agriculture is considering the inauguration on the first of next November of a "State Dairy Cow Competition." It is planned to continue the competition for sixteen months. It will be open not only to pure-bred but also to grade and to common cows, and a number of different prizes will be awarded, for butter-fat production during any ten continuous months of this period. Prizes aggregating several thousand dollars have been offered. The prize list, however, will be held open until July 1, so that any other persons or firms who wish to offer such contributions to the list of prizes may have opportunity to subscribe.

A circular in which the University will officially announce this competition and for the first time make public the list of premiums offered will be issued by the College of Agriculture of the University of California about August 1, 1916.

Mr. Smith's Bill Again

THE QUESTION OF FAIRS AND THE MUTUALS

Two weeks ago today we presented to our readers a draft of the racing measure which E. R. Smith and a number of Southern California horsemen wish to have submitted to the vote of the people at the November election, making a number of comments upon the bill at that time. Our ideas concerning the same, formed from numerous conversations upon this subject with horsemen of both schools, were expressed plainly but absolutely without prejudice or animus, and were accepted by Mr. Smith and his friends in the same spirit in which they were uttered, as evidenced by the following letter from him which reached this office shortly after our last week's paper had gone to press:

Ocean Park, Cal., Feb. 23, 1916.

Editor Breeder and Sportsman:

Thank you for giving publicity to the Registered Horse Breeder's bill which is now in the attorney general's hands pending title to same. I notice in your comments on the bill that you misconstrue the meaning of Section No. 7 of same. Section No. 6 provides that any State, County or Agricultural Fair and all corporations which obtain licenses to conduct race meetings will be permitted to use the Pari-mutual System of Wagering at their respective meetings, under the direct control, supervision and rules and regulations of the Racing Commission. Section No. 7 provides that the provision of this Act relative to securing licenses, or to the payment to said Racing Commission of proportionate moneys to pay the expenses of conducting such commission, shall not apply to race meetings conducted by any State, County or Agricultural Fair. You will plainly see that State, County and Agricultural Fairs do not have to apply for licenses nor pay any part of the expenses of said Racing Commission nor are they limited to the number of days of racing at any State, County or Agricultural Fair; they are entirely independent of the Racing Commission, except should they wish to use the Pari-mutual, which according to this Act is placed in the hands and control of the Racing Commission.

In regard to the fifteen day proposition, it is the intention of this bill not to have meetings of a longer duration than the above by any corporation or association within the calendar year and no corporation or association shall hold more than that number of days within the State in a calendar year, and as the Commission under this Act will be composed of Breeders of Registered Horses to be appointed by the Governor we are of the opinion that all classes of horsemen will be treated with fairness by said Commission, and as each County or Agricultural Fair can hold a separate meeting or meetings other than the fifteen days, we thought that under the present condition, rather than antagonize certain parties, we would hold the limit down.

It is not the desire of myself or the parties interested in framing this bill to discriminate against any classes of horses in this State, and thinking that as this is a Presidential year and also that the people of this State feel more kindly to the Pari-mutual System of Wagering, also looking forward to a more liberal construction of affairs in this State, we were of the opinion that it would be an opportune time to put this measure before the people in the interests of the horse breeders of this State.

You will see by Section No. 8 that all moneys left in the Commission's hands after paying all necessary expenses is to be used for the purpose of giving purses, prizes, premiums or stakes for all classes of California Breed Registered Horses.

Again thanking you for this publicity, etc., as we were vary glad to read your comments on said bill,

Yours very truly,

ED. R. SMITH.

The first thing we wish to do is to thank Mr. Smith for writing us in this manner, also for having the progressive spirit to go ahead on his own accord with a proposition of this kind, and also to assure him that we have every confidence in his sincerity and in his personal belief that he on the proper track to secure the legislation required to establish a racing commission and pari-mutual speculation in the state of California. At the same time we are forced to continue the argument and to disagree with him as to the propriety of his bill in certain respects and also as to the advisability of his method of going after this legislation.

Sections six and seven, which he thinks we misconstrue, are worded to convey the meaning intimated in our remark to the effect that section seven was perhaps originally meant to close with the words "at which no form of speculation is permitted" or a phrase of similar meaning. Reference to the first paragraph of the above letter shows his interpretation to be to the effect that all state, county or agricultural fairs are in every way exempt from the workings of the bill and are independent of the racing commission EXCEPT SHOULD THEY WISH TO USE THE PARI-MUTUAL. As the pari-mutual is the only system of speculation which it is proposed to legalize our contention still holds good, that such meetings would have to be of a nature devoid of speculation of any kind. We still hold that in certain instances this would work a hardship upon one or the other of the branches of racing in counties where both would wish to take advantage of the bill. Given pari-mutual speculation fairs could be made self-supporting and be in no way dependent upon a state subsidy in the way of an appropriation for district fairs. Were legislation to be enacted establishing a generous subsidy the fairs would not suffer from the lack of speculation, and it is highly probable that any bill establishing an appropriation would carry a clause invalidating any particular appropriation the beneficiary of which permitted speculation of any sort whatever on its racing events. However it is highly improbable that both a district fair bill and a pari-mutual bill would be passed and put into effect simultaneously, and without state aid the fair associations will undoubtedly wish to use the pari-mutual, should the same be made lawful. In most instances the promoters of fairs with racing would probably prefer the "iron men" to the state assistance, as they would have a wider latitude for operation, would draw a greater gate, and the fairs and meetings which could be conducted with speculation would be much more numerous than could ever be expected under state appropriation, especially when we know beforehand that we are facing a limit of seven or eight fairs to start on on the subsidy basis under the present administration. As a consequence we are in favor of a wider range of dates in a given locality, either with a thirty day limit for racing of all kinds, or on a sliding scale in proportion to the population of the county, or on a fifteen day basis for runners and a seven to nine day basis for the harness horses, or even a six day limit for the latter. Harness meetings of a duration of more than one week in any given locality are not usual in this state, nor is the harness racing season as long as that for the thoroughbreds. Every horseman in California should feel that he was well cared for were it possible to hold fifteen to twenty-five days of running and five to eight days of trotting every year in every locality where the population was sufficient to support the same and the people desire it given.

Since the publication of Mr. Smith's bill we have talked the matter over at some length with horsemen from the ranks of both thoroughbred and standardbred adherents, and in every instance they have agreed with the idea advanced by us in opposition to Mr. Smith's project that the best way to secure the end desired lies through the legislature rather than through the vote of the people. The pari-mutual system of wagering is a stranger to the rank and file of California voters, and it must be borne in mind that to very many people the bare mention of the word "pools" brings before their fancy the picture of everything undesirable about a race track. Many persons would vote against the bill who would perhaps never make note of the fact that their representative or senator had given it his support in the assembly. Many more, with singed fingers from supporting other initiative measures, would turn it down on the principle of "safety first" or "when in doubt vote no," two slogans very popular in public esteem at this moment. Put directly before the people we are inclined to the view that the bill would not get a fair run for its money, not as good a run as would befall it were it to go through the regular channels of legislative procedure, backed solidly by every reputable man and interest in every and any way identified with the future of breeding and racing. The disreputable element, which like the poor we have always with us, will not support such a bill and this in itself is a most eloquent testimonial to its general desirability.

We will welcome further discussion of the matter from all parties interested in the same, and are open to conviction as to the "error of our way" if sufficiently strong evidence can be submitted against us.

THE "MITCHIGAN HORSE" AND OTHERS.

[H. T. White, Horse Breeder.]

"Hooray for the Mitchigan horse!" shouted a large Celtic gentleman who sat just back of me in the Lexington grandstand last October when Peter Mac trotted his wonderful mile in 2:03½, the first half in :59, the three-quarters in 1:29¾.

"He's all Mitchigan," continued the enthusiastic Wolverine. "His sire was bred in Mitchigan, and broke, trained and driven a winning race in the Kentucky Futurity by Peter Johnston, who was born, raised and died in Mitchigan. His grandsire was owned near his whole life in Mitchigan—his name was Pilot Mejum—an' the sire of his dam tuck a record of 2:12¼, driven be a Mitchigan man—I dunno what his name was, but I mind him well—at Terry Hut the same day ould man Geers drove The Abbot in 2:02¾, and the judges only gave him 2:03¼, because that was a world's record annyhow. That horse's name was J. T., and leave me tell you right here he was one grand trotting horse. Why, he came right out of the stud up be Bay City—in the woods, ye might say—and went that 2:12¼ mile, and that very minute the mother of this fella that trotted in 2:03½ right here before our eyes was leppin' around be the side of her dam right there in Mitchigan. Yes, sir, she was so. Her name is Lillian R., an' that handsome divvil that drove the runner just now for the big show gave her a record of 2:04½. Yes, he's Irish, why not? An' his name is Mike McDevitt. The horse himself is partly named after him—Peter Mc.

"Yes, yes," continued the enthusiastic one, "I knew all of 'em way back, an' I saw J. T. get his mark. 'Twas a great day f'r him an' The Abbot, not to mintion the pacer, Coney—ah, there was a pacer for ye! He wint that day against the record for a pacer driven be an amachoor, whatever that is, and Ed Gaylord, of Dinver, was the amachoor. An' Coney beat that record, mostly because of the wise instructions Myron McHinnery handed to Gaylord just before the Dinver man got in the little buttherboat they called wagons in thim days—I seen Nick Hubinger, who weighed wan hundred pounds in the winter and ninety in the summer, push the dashboard off of one iv thim with his left fut, an' I've always had me suspicions that was what put Devereux of Cleveland onto his thrick iv lavin both his feet outside the box entirely, an' restin' thim on the front axle whin it kem to a hard finish.

"Gaylord was makin' his first Gran' Circuit drive that day at Terry Hut, an' naturally he had stage fright. So he says to McHinnery, afther Coney was all warmed up nice: 'How will I drive it, Mc?' 'The best way,' he says, 'f'r a gran' mile with a pacer is to get over to the half-mile pole as soon as you can, an' come home as quick as possible,' an' that wasn't the worst tip ever passed out, at that.

"Thim was the great days, but even so I mustn't forget that the grandmother of this Peter Mc, on his mother's side, was a Mitchigan horse. She was so. Letitia was her name. She had a high wheel record of 2:18¾, and her sire was the Mitchigan horse, Louis Napoleon, so ye see that, although Peter Mc is owned in Ohio an' his sire lives in Kentucky, he's a mitchigan horse just the same," and the man from Michigan settled back in his seat to watch the next performance on the race track.

About the only thing left unchronicled by the enthusiast was the story of J. T., and, fortunately, I ran across this the other day in the Breeder and Sportsman of San Francisco, which fact recalled the cheery monologist at Lexington and his fervid praise of Michigan trotters, past, present and to come.

And the story of J. T. is a good one. Back in 1890 there arrived in Tacoma, Wash., a youth of the unusual name of Jinson James. He was a horse lover, and at once attached himself to a stock farm. He wanted to own a Dexter Prince horse some day, so saved his money and finally secured the desired strain in a three-year-old stallion by Live Oak Hero, dam by Dexter Prince, grandam by Abbotsford 2:19¼, son of Woodford Mambrino 2:21½. Possibly the paternal side of the three-year-old's family chart did not appeal to the boy, but, right now, for race horse quality and speed it would be hard to beat, since Live Oak Hero was a son of Director 2:17, dam by Santa Claus 2:17½. Comb the records as carefully as you may, and no two stallions that were better race horse trotters than Director and Santa Claus will be found. The first named won the first Charter Oak purse (1883), and, as showing his class, it may be said that Phallas 2:13¾, champion stallion of those days, and at his best when Director was racing through the Grand Circuit, never could beat him in a race.

Santa Claus is a trotter overlooked by a good many people these days, but he was a whale of a race horse despite handicaps that would have kept most performers in the barn. He never had good legs, but was a colt trotter, and once held the record for five-year-old stallions. After that, he came east from California, and in the hands of Orrin Hickok was patched up sufficiently to race one season. And he could mix it with the best when he was anywhere near free from pain. That year (1881) the star trotting stallion was Piedmont 2:17¼, but Peter Johnston, who drove him, told me confidentially one day that the only stallion he was afraid of was Santa Claus. "He can beat 'em all when he's right," was Johnston's verdict, and at Beacon Park, Boston, that fall, his words came true, as Santa Claus took the first, third and fourth heats from Piedmont and Wedgewood in 2:17¾, 2:18, 2:19. Santa Claus gave us Sidney a

great sire, and Director, through Directum 2:05¼, trotting, and Direct 2:05½, pacing, a pair of sires whose influence has been strong and wide, and has done much to keep the Dictator blood to the fore.

So while we are all telling about what a great trotter Peter Mc is and predicting he will be the next two minute performer, and all the time giving the credit to the Peter the Great end of his pedigree, we by no means should overlook the fact that back of that strain is the blood of Director, of Santa Claus, and of Volunteer (sire of Louis Napoleon). Any way you figure it, that is a great combination, and as Santa Claus was by Strathmore, the dam of Peter Mc runs to Dictator, Volunteer and Strathmore, three of the leading sons of Hambletonian 10.

And at this stage of the proceedings the pedigree reader is impressed with the fact that Peter Mc—admittedly the peer of any trotter now in training—does not carry any Wilkes or Electioneer blood, although those two strains unquestionably are the leading ones of today. He is by a sire of the Happy Medium family, whose dam was of the Volunteer tribe. The dam of Peter Mc is from a son of Director and a Dexter Prince mare; grandam by a son of Volunteer; third dam by Garibaldi, son of Hambletonian; fourth dam "said to be by Hiram Drew."

Now, inasmuch as Peter the Great—a horse absolutely destitute of the blood of George Wilkes or Electioneer—is by odds the greatest sire of colt trotters and 2:10 trotters the world has ever seen, it is entirely within the limits of possibility that his best son (as a sire) may also be wholly devoid of those strains, especially since—in the case of Peter Mc—he gets the backing through his dam of such wonderful producing families as the Dictators and the Strathmores, not to mention the Volunteers (who were a one-generation tribe), of the Garibaldi strain, which never has been prominent. Still, all those four sires were sons of Hambletonian 10, and, when you get right down to basic facts, that is pretty much all you can say about George Wilkes and Electioneer (so far as their bloodlines are concerned), since the dam of Wilkes was of unknown breeding, and, aside from the fact that the dam of Electioneer was by Harry Clay 45, nothing is known of her ancestry.

In view of all these facts—which have been brought home to people by the success as a sire of a horse carrying no Wilkes or Electioneer blood—there is nothing improbable in the prediction that another front rank begetter of speed—at least, in the first generation—may appear any day and be minus the Wilkes and Electioneer strains. Most harness horse pundits who specialize in predictions and horoscopes have become so used to seeing all the great sires carry liberal doses of the Wilkes and Electioneer strains that they cannot imagine any other sort being allowed to exist, and what Peter the Great has done is regarded by them as a freak performance. In a sense it may be, for, until a first-class progenitor (not merely a sire of first generation speed) who does not carry Wilkes or Electioneer blood appears, their argument will carry weight to most people.

As a matter of fact, the Happy Medium strain was, right in the early days of its founder, in disrepute among horsemen and breeders because its members did not race gamely. And then, as no son of Happy Medium developed into a sire of the first class while the Wilkes and Electioneer strains were coming on with giant strides, it came to be accepted as a fact that the blood was not worth bothering with. But, despite indifference and neglect, which unquestionably was a tremendous handicap, it kept breeding on, and on three occasions has produced horses that today have a place among the ultra-distinguished ones.

Happy Medium was foaled in 1863, and in 1875 his son, Maxie Cobb, which later became champion trotting stallion, with a mile in 2:13¼, was foaled. But speed without other essential qualities never got any horse very far, and it soon transpired that Maxie Cobb was not a good race horse. Also he failed as a sire. But in the meantime (the record of 2:13¼ was made in 1884) another son of Happy Medium that was destined to occupy a big niche in trotting history was foaled. This was Pilot Medium, whose natal year was 1879. As soon as he was given even a modest chance in the stud he began siring trotting speed of a high order, and his son, Jack 2:12, was a real race horse. The other notable trotter of the Pilot Medium tribe was Peter the Great, best three-year-old of his day, up to a mile in 2:17 at two, and the one first-class colt trotter of the family. Now he is in some respects the world's greatest sire.

That horse represented period No. 2 in the history of the Happy Medium family. Nancy Hanks is the star of period No. 3. She was foaled in 1886, and, like Pilot Medium, had excellent bloodlines on the female side of her pedigree, the gray stallion being from Tackey 2:26¼, by Pilot Jr., while Nancy Hanks was from Nancy Lee, by Dictator. Nancy Hanks was a fast colt trotter for her day. She never was beaten a race, although extensively campaigned. She lowered the trotting record to 2:04 after trotting in 2:09 to the high wheel hitch. She today also holds the world's record for the fastest three consecutive heats to high wheel sulky—2:12, 2:12¾, 2:12—and the fastest first, second, and third heats, in a race to that hitch. She is the dam of two 2:10 or better trotters—Admiral Dewey 2:04¾ and Lord Roberts 2:07¼—while her daughter, Nancy McKerron 2:10½ at three, certainly should count as a 2:10 trotter at maturity.

Furthermore, these fast foals from Nancy Hanks

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Two Sons of McKinney

PERMANENTLY IN SERVICE IN CALIFORNIA

After the family of McKinney 2:11¼ began to make such great strides into public favor a score of years ago it quickly became the fashion for the knowing easterners to purchase the best of them for their own use. McKinney's sale to H. B. Gentry stimulated the demand, and for some years the eastern drain upon the California branch of the family was a most insistent one. The better they were bred the better the eastern folks liked them and the readier they bought them. In view of the inroads made by them upon our stock it is pleasing to note that the male offspring of McKinney and the two greatest mares to whom he was ever stinted, Carlotta Wilkes and Expressive (3) 2:12½, both remain permanently in the stud in California. Both are in every way true representatives of their great family and are well proven sires in their own right, each occupying a unique position among contemporary stallions on the Pacific coast.

CARLOKIN 2:07½

was foaled in 1901 and was bred by the famous establishment, now passed out of existence, that figures as the breeder of so many great horses of both gaits and sexes, Santa Rosa Stock Farm. Beginning his career on the track as a three-year-old he raced for a number of seasons with distinction, achieving in the hands of Will Durfee a race record of 2:08¼ and a time record of 2:07½. That he is without doubt the fastest entire son of McKinney that was raced at the trot he demonstrated by working a public mile that same season in 2:05½. Carlotta Wilkes



CARLOKIN 2:07½

has ten standard performers to her credit and of these four have records faster than 2:08, achievements which are the more remarkable when it is recalled that each of this quartet is by a different sire and that two of the sires represented never begot 2:10 speed from any other cross.

Through his wide acquaintance with the family of McKinney Mr. Durfee selected Carlokin as the one member of the tribe most apt to sire race horses of the caliber demanded for the fulfillment of the owner's wants, and subsequent events have given ample proof of the soundness of Mr. Durfee's judgment of "prospective sires." In the summer of 1912 Carlokin secured his first representation in the great table of sires, and in the short time that has intervened his list of performers has grown until it now numbers over a score. He is the only stallion standing for service in the state who is the sire of two 2:10 trotters, both of whom are excellent race goers, Esperanza (3) 2:09, the only three-year-old ever to win every stake for the age and gait on the coast, and The Lark (4) 2:09½, who at the last Arizona State Fair showed that she could deliver the goods in company as well as trot fast for a breeder's record. Originally the McKinneys were not considered as the best of early comers and futurity trotters, but of late years this sentiment has been changed, of necessity, as the showing made by the youngsters of the clan has been of the very highest order. Here on the coast alone in the three years last passed the get of Carlokin have won more futurity money than those of any other one sire by a large margin, while in the season last passed the McKinneys both east and west won the largest portion of the money hung up for colt performers.

It is worthy of note that Carlokin has never had a representative in the pacing divisions of the stakes, and that very few of his standard list are addicted to that way of going, his get being very uniformly possessed of a highly developed instinct to trot, and trot only. By inheritance they are also possessed of soundness, courage, ruggedness and "racing vitality," coupled with individual excellence and the best of dispositions. Carlokin's services are offered to breeders throughout the season and full particulars concerning him and his get may be obtained by calling on Mr. Durfee at Exposition Park, Los Angeles, or addressing him by letter at 2019 South Figueroa street, that city.

EXPRESSIVE MAC 2:25½

is a year older than Carlokin and, like the son of McKinney and Carlotta Wilkes, was bred at a great establishment now only a memory, Palo Alto. Raced but little and with practically no opportunities for development as a sire he has nevertheless won high place for himself and today stands as the only horse now in service on this coast to sire two 2:05 performers, or three in 2:08. This means more when you consider that he has but four performers to his credit and that he has never had a colt or filly trained for speed, or at least raced or started for a record, whose dam was standard bred under either trotting or pacing requirements, or whose breeding was anything of a nature that could possibly be referred to as fashionable. Each one of his three extremely fast performers spring from lines on the maternal side which, in the immediate generation to which they belong, have produced little else of like calibre, as each of these three mares, Clara Mac 2:04½, Vera Hal 2:05 and Madam Mac 2:07¼ have demonstrated during the season last passed that their present records do not represent the true limit of their capacities. Clara Mac worked for Will Durfee last fall faster than her record; Vera Hal has a winrace record of 2:06¾ on a halfmile track, made in the second heat of the great race in which she defeated White Sox last summer at Riverside, while Madam Mac worked the Pleasanton track last spring in 2:05½ and in the last few days has been figuring in world's record performances at halfmile heats on the ice in Minnesota.

Nor is Expressive Mac limited to the sidewheelers for performers with sufficient speed to enter the 2:10 list, as his daughter Nellie Mac (also out of a mare of "plebian" blood) worked the Pleasanton track last fall for Charley Clark well inside the select limit at the trot. She will be raced this season and will no doubt establish her sire "in the books" as a 2:10 progenitor at both ways of going.

The value of the blood of Expressive Mac through his dam is inestimable. Expressive, a great race trotter as a three-year-old, may in point of performance and production combined be ranked as one of the very greatest of living mares, her long list of performers including two 2:10 trotters, while she has three speed-siring sons and two producing daughters. The great thoroughbred mare Esther, her dam, is accorded higher place in the esteem of breeders with every passing season, three of her daughters having become the dams of 2:10 trotters: Expressive, as noted; Monesta, the dam of Marta Bellini 2:05½, and Mendocita, the dam of the sensation of the futurities of 1915, Mary Putney (3) 2:05½. With such an inheritance it is small wonder that Expressive Mac has the inherent qualities of sirehood that enable him to beget extreme speed from mares of mediocre breeding. He is a different type in some ways from Carlokin, being considerably larger. He stretches the sixteen hand mark and the scale beam tips even when set well past the twelve hundred pound notch, but he is smoothly and attractively put together, with quality apparent in every line. He is permanently in service at the ranch of his owner, J. H. Nelson, Selma, California, and during the two years last past has been one of the best patronized trotting stallions in the state, attracting a much higher quality of mares than has been he case in former seasons, so that his list of performers should be considerably augmented when the resultant foals go to the races. Mr. Nelson has right at his home and "under his eye" at all times excellent facilities for the keep of outside mares at very moderate cost, a card addressed to him at Selma being sufficient to bring full particulars to all persons desiring the same.

FAIR GROOMS IN OLD ENGLAND.

Ever since a short time after the outbreak of the present conflict in Europe, which from its unprecedented scope and cost in life and treasure has by common consent come to be known as "The Great War," we have heard much in this country of the way women of the warring nations have stepped into the vacancies left behind by their sons or brothers or husbands who have answered the call to arms and gone away to the trenches, many of them never to return. Widely varied and in many instances weird are the situations into which members of the fair sex have found their way in the great emergency which they have been called upon to face, but in no way have they been found wanting. Most illuminating is the accompanying story of the personal experiences of the girls who are "manning" a remount station in England, written by one of their number and originally appearing in the London Daily Mail:

I am very sorry for the girl who tries to deceive our "boss" about her knowledge of horses.

On your first morning to arrive in the cold, gray dawn, after rising at the unusual hour of 6 o'clock—to pass through the door into the blackness of the riding school, where sixty horses are tethered in a double line—to look round for someone with authority in the few glaring spots of light that throw strange monster horse shadows onto the gaunt walls—and then to be told, "Start watering from that end." . . . It is disconcerting enough in any case, as you slip by a pair of possibly tactless heels to where you guess some horse may own a head and a headstall, and then to lead him to the trough, where other dim figures are holding their animals, trampling, snorting, biting, kicking. You are not nervous (absurd idea!), but the effect is weird, grotesque in the darkness, and, as I said before, I am sorry for the girl who comes as a pretender.

But, then, nobody could deceive our "boss" unless with pen and ink—never face to face. I would wager that, if losing meant eating our hundred horses one by one, with their shoes thrown in! A wonderful woman she is, with the keenest green eyes in the world, and straight brows, almost startlingly black, against her pale face and soft gray hair. She has a voice so deep and powerful and clear that you shut your eyes and almost say it is a man's voice, and then you realize a tender tone in it that no man could have, and you just say to yourself, as I say a hundred times a day, "What an absolute topper she is!"

It would be a pleasure to go on writing about her, but perhaps you have said all when you have said that she can do anything with any horse, and that there is not a girl in the place who does not enjoy obeying her. She is a born commander. And it is so rare an instinct in woman that I doubt if there be one in a thousand who could command such absolute, unwavering confidence.

And it is her personality backed up by her knowledge that has made our depot the successful concern it is. The more you know of horses, and especially of the raw, rough brutes, many of them thoroughly vicious, which are bound to be among any lot picked out at random from the army type of animal, the more wonderful it seems that we should run them without a man on the premises. Wonderful! Why, it comes near to being incredible!. And without her it would be incredible. Some of our girls are fine, fearless horsewomen, and before we have been here long we are all fairly competent grooms; but it is she who tackles the dangerous horse first, she who is always on the spot in every emergency, and she, too, who organizes everything from ordering the tons of hay, oats, bedding, etc., to noticing that our stray cats get a saucer of milk in the harness-room at teatime. Nothing escapes her vigilant eye nor ever seems to perturb the humor in her face.

With a savage horse she is a marvel, and so calm about it in the bargain. She tamed one who came to us with the cheerful reputation of having half-killed six men running till nobody dared go into his box. Only the other day I was absolutely defeated by a black fellow we call the Snorter or the Warhorse. He bit, he kicked, he struck at me with his forelegs. He seemed as supple as india rubber, and those wicked hoofs came crashing round within an inch of me time after time, till at last I went limping off on one foot and a half to say I couldn't get near him. Well, she came and talked to him and showed him (only showed him) a little short thick stick, and he stood like a lamb after the first five seconds.

For the remount depot is not a picnic. Now that we have roused the curiosity of a larger public than the small boys who came tumbling out of the cottages and the grinning motorists in passing cars, to whom our string of horses ridden at exercise by ladies on cross-saddles was an object of amusement, we are always seeing ourselves in illustrated papers labeled "Smiling Dianas" or something equally foolish.

If we are Dianas, we get far hotter, dirtier, and more tired than would be at all dignified in a goddess. Of course it looks very jolly to see us all going out for a pleasure ride in the country. "Those girls are having the time of their lives," people probably say when they see us. So we are. I cannot deny it. But I think some of our friends who last saw us, say, in a London ballroom, would realize the other side of the picture if they could look in one morning at a time when they are generally in bed and see the erstwhile fine lady in her riding breeches and shirt, with the sleeves rolled up over her elbows, busily engaged in cleaning a dirty old carthorse or a charger back from the front with a filthy coat, or raking refuse out of the stalls. Our "boss" has no room for the type of applicant who "loves riding, don't you know, but couldn't possibly do stable work."

We are doing men's work, as much of it as men could do and considerably more than men would have done in those dim, distant days before the war had taught most of us to put our backs into a job of work and keep them there. It seems a long, long while since one strolled out after breakfast in well-cut habit and shiny boots to where our well-mannered hunter awaited us in the yard with a stud groom and a helper or so in attendance.

But every time our back aches under a truss of hay or a sack of oats we are braced up by the thought that we (and we hail from New Zealand, Ireland, the North Country, as well as England proper) are taking our share in the work that they are doing across the sea—there where our hearts are. And in that thought we go on cheerfully as before.

For we are a very merry crew, mostly under twenty-five I should imagine, and we get to love the horses as if they were our own. There is beautiful Venus, the chestnut mare, for whom I always steal a few minutes from my other charges to make her coat glow in the sunlight. And old Pasha, who looks like a cross between a camel and a clothes-horse, and who knows at least seventeen methods of either nipping or kicking you. Even he has his genial moments—at the drinking trough, for instance. And Satan, who never goes out except with our roughrider; it takes several of us to hold him like a rising balloon till she jumps into the saddle, and then away they go in the maddest series of rushes across the paddock. And Baby, our young carthorse, who weighs 15 cwt. or so, and comes bounding down the riding school to her morning drink in charge of a wee wisp of a girl you could almost pick up in your hand.

Yes, when all is said and done, I suppose it is mainly our love of horses for their own sakes that brings us and keeps us here, although—"I shall be late for the evening feed if I write another word."

But it is the love of the horse.

STALLION LICENSE LAWS.

Some years ago the state of Wisconsin started the ball rolling for the elimination of the underbred, diseased and unsound stallion and jack, and so clearly was her course a proper one that a number of states, California among them, followed her pattern at an early date by enacting legislation of a similar nature. Some weeks ago we presented a short summary of the effects of the workings of the law in our own state, showing the same to have been highly beneficial, grade and mongrel stallions having been reduced in numbers to a very gratifying degree. The following brief statement of the "why and wherefore" of the stallion license law, taken from the current number of the Weekly News Letter of the U. S. Department of Agriculture is also of interest and value at this moment when the breeding season is just getting under way:

In the past 10 years 20 states have enacted laws regulating the public service of stallions and jacks. The principal objects of these laws are to improve the quality of horses and mules raised and to protect breeders against misrepresentation and fraud on the part of unscrupulous stallion owners and dealers.

In order to accomplish these results these laws require the owners of all stallions and jacks intended for public service to secure a license from the stallion registration board or commission. Licenses are issued for purebreds, grades, crossbreds, and mongrels or scrubs, according to the provisions of the law in the particular state.

Those stallions or jacks offered by their owners as purebreds must be recorded in the studbook published by a society recognized by the state as authentic and reliable. The certificate of registration and pedigree issued by one of these societies must be presented to the board with an application for license and an affidavit certifying to the condition of soundness.

In their general provisions all of these laws are similar, but in certain details vary in a greater or less degree. In some states certain diseases or unsoundness disqualify a stallion or jack for public service, while in others the stallion or jack is permitted to stand, but any unsoundness must be mentioned on the license certificate as well as on all posters, circulars, etc., used by the owner for advertising purposes.

The states having laws of this character are California, Colorado, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Montana, Nebraska, New Jersey, North Dakota, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Utah, Washington, and Wisconsin. The last-named state was the first to pass a law and Oklahoma the latest one. Under the law in the latter state stallion owners are not compelled to secure a state license, but it is safe to say that the holder of a state license has a great advantage over the one who does not.

It is a deplorable fact that hundreds of farmers and mare owners have patronized the inferior stallion with the cheap service fee. These men seemed to have failed to appreciate that in paying a higher fee for the service of the sound purebred sire the service fee will be more than offset by the higher price received when the resulting colt is sold. Nor have they appeared to consider the fact that it costs as much to raise a grade or mongrel as it does a purebred.

A lack of consideration in the matters of soundness, breeding and registration have been the cause for much of the patronage secured by the inferior stallion. However, these laws have now made it possible for every farmer and mare owner in these states to know exactly what a stallion or jack is before breeding their mares. They have also benefitted the owners of sound purebred sires because they discourage the use of the unsound, grade, and mongrel stallion.

The results thus far show a gradual increase in the percentage of purebred stallions in service and a decrease in the percentage of grades and mongrels. At the present time there are approximately 58,000 stallions in service in these states, of which more than 50 per cent are licensed as purebred. This indicates that breeders are becoming more particular in the matters of soundness and breeding, and that the owners of stallions who at first were, in some instances, inclined to oppose, are now aiding in the enforcement of the provisions of the laws.

The question may be asked as to what is becoming of the unsound, grade, and mongrel stallions. The reports from the various states show that as the patronage of inferior animals decreases they are either castrated or shipped out, undoubtedly into those states where there is no law to compel them to stand under their true condition of soundness and breeding, thus continuing their destructive work to the horse industry.

It is in these states that breeders should exercise the greatest caution before deciding to which stallion they will breed their mares. They should demand of the stallion owner that they be permitted to examine the certificate of registration and pedigree in order to learn if the animal is properly registered in a reliable studbook and if the age, color, and description agree with the stallion whose service is being considered. If the certificate does not agree with the stallion it is evident that something is wrong, and it will be much wiser to refuse the service of the stallion than to accept it, pay the fee, and run the risk of getting a nondescript foal, expensive to raise, and for which there will be a poor market.

If a breeder is not familiar with pedigrees and registration societies, he should consult his state agricultural college or experiment station, giving all facts regarding the stallion being considered for service. In this way much information may be secured that will be of value to him in the future when the question of breeding comes up.

THE "MITCHIGAN HORSE" AND OTHERS.

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were by three different sires—a fact which makes the achievements of the mare all the more creditable—and finally her blood is breeding on, since her son, Admiral Dewey, has a 2:03¾ son in Lord Dewey, and daughters of Nancy Hanks are producing speed, one of them, Narion, being the dam of Vice Commodore 2:11, and he is the sire of Margaret Parrish 2:06¼. No other mare of the top speed class ever accomplished anything like what Nancy Hanks has done as a broodmare, nor has any other sire shown the ability to sire stake-winning colts and 2:10 trotters generally that has characterized the career of Peter the Great. Nancy is a daughter of Happy Medium, and Peter the Great is a grandson of the same horse. Add Pilot Medium and Maxie Cobb to the list, and you have a Happy Medium bouquet whose fragrance would not be extinguished in any company.

And still not all the tale has been told, for Milton Medium, son of Happy Medium, sired the dam of Lou Dillon 1:58½, the first two-minute trotter. Under the prevailing system of giving all the credit for a great performer to the sire of such animal, the name of Lou Dillon always is associated in the public mind with that of her sire, Sidney Dillon, and not one man in ten who professes to know about trotting horses can tell you offhand what stallion sired the dam of Lou Dillon and what his sire was. So the whole sums up to this—that the Happy Medium strain in the male line is responsible for a world's champion trotter, a champion trotting stallion, and a surpassingly great sire of speed. Also for a truly great broodmare. It likewise had a hand in the production of another champion trotter, Lou Dillon, who already has proven her class as a matron by producing a foal which took a three-year-old record of 2:08¾, while, from the matings of the old mare and the champion stallion, The Harvester 2:01, much in the way of speed may confidently be looked for.

The Happy Medium strain deserves a whole lot more credit than it ever has received.

The Riverside folks have announced definitely that they are in line for a fair this fall as usual, as has been expected all the time. They are in correspondence with other points and their definite dates will be announced as soon as the various associations have arranged matters between them. It will be the best fair and race meeting in Southern California.

Notes and News

The sophisticated broodmare owner is well aware of the fact that the best sires are almost always those that are the best advertised in the turf papers serving that community.

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Salem's program is out and appears elsewhere in this number of the Breeder and Sportsman. The total offerings for harness horses and runners is in excess of fifteen thousand dollars and the program altogether is a very well balanced one.

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The directors of the Ventura County Fair Association are meeting today in Ventura to select dates for their third annual fair. Their speed appropriation promises to be larger than before by a good margin and a full announcement of the same will be made in these columns at a later date.

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Payments on two-year-olds having engagements in the Breeder's Futurity came in numbers that are indicative of good sized fields in this year's junior divisions of the stake, and also fields of exceptional excellence. The full list will appear in an early number.

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N. D. Dutcher of Livermore had the misfortune to lose two excellent Shire stallions last week in a fire which destroyed the big barn at his place. The horses were valued at a thousand dollars each. The building was totally destroyed but Mr. Dutcher will be partially reimbursed through his insurance.

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W. A. Perley of Chico has sent to John Quinn at the state fair grounds at Sacramento the two-year-old colt by The Proof 2:10¾ out of Belle by Kinney Lou 2:07¾, grandam a daughter of Mambrino King. The youngster is staked in the local futurities and will be prepared by Johnny to fill his engagements.

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Are your mares foaling? Start the young ones off in life properly by seeing that the dam gets plenty of the right kind of feed and care and that the birth of the baby is reported in the Breeder and Sportsman. Your friends will be glad to know what foals you are getting.

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The following from the current issue of the Horse Review leads us to infer that our old time friend Magnus Flaws is again back at his old place as the authoritative correspondent of our esteemed sole surviving Chicago contemporary: "An Englishman was once dining with a Scotchman in a Scotch restaurant. Oatmeal was served, and the Englishman said: 'Why do you Scotch people eat oats? In England we serve oats only to horses.' 'I know it,' said the Scotchman. 'The English have the best horses, but the Scotch have the best men!'" How squarely Ma Pettingill hit the bull's eye when she promulgated those famous words: "Once a Scotchman always——."

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The action of the A. T. A. allowing horses to race until July 7th each season without acquiring a record is being generally commended in those sections where early racing is indulged in. Under the provisions of this rule horsemen will not be barred from participation in the minor early events and Fourth of July "one day stands" for fear of getting a tag that will make their horses ineligible to the larger stakes and purses which close about that time each year. However it behooves one to plan ahead whether he is to race on A. T. A. or N. T. A. tracks, so much more evidence to the effect that two associations are a direct detriment to trotting horse progress.

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Miss Perfection (4) 2:08¼, Anvilite (2) 2:22¼ and the yearling colt by Zomblack 2:10¼ out of Martha Spy arrived safely in Lexington and have been turned over to James Snell to prepare for their engagements. Miss Perfection and Anvilite will be raced, but by whom has not yet been announced by Mr. MacKenzie, while Snell will keep Jack Atkin's lad until next year, when the first of his engagements come along. Mr. MacKenzie was in Lexington recently and was well pleased with the condition of all the horses shipped from Pleasanton in Harry Allen's care. The brood mares purchased from Lawrence & Comstock were sent immediately to Beaumont Farm and for the most part will be mated to Mr. MacKenzie's good son of Sain—El Salado, Jack Atkin.

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"Now that the Board has penalized Hal McKinney, on the grounds that he won a record of 2:06¾ over our halfmile track in 1914," writes Chas. Winslow, of Oklahoma City, "I do not understand just why they did it. His mile at our state fair was simply an exhibition; he was not racing against another horse, or in a class race, but simply to give an exhibition. It could not be called a win-race record, and according to my way of reasoning was a tin cup, or time, record. I am not interested in the matter, but feel quite certain that a misunderstanding exists regarding this so-called record of 2:06¾. Mr. Sebastian was never very neighborly towards me, but I would not let even a personal matter prejudice me. I would like to learn that the matter had been gone into more fully by the Board."—Horse Review.

A letter from Acting Secretary Gravatt of the Kings County Fair Association states that the tentative dates assigned Hanford are satisfactory and that a full program of purses for their fair will be announced at no far distant date. Woodland and Dixon are getting squared away and a little bit of cooperation from other points will result in the formation of a very pleasing little circuit.

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Peter Volo (4) 2:02 will succeed his famous sire as premier stallion at Patchen Wilkes Farm. Peter the Great has been transferred to "Bob" Strader's Forkland Farm and is quartered in what was once the parlor of the old residence at that estate, according to romantic grapevine specials emanating from the Blue Grass. Service contracts made by the former owners will be carried out at the old figure, $400, but for newcomers the fee is one thousand dollars, and a number of mares are being booked at those figures.

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Ed Johnson, who stuck to the Woodland track all winter and who for a time was in solitary possession of that plant, has switched his three-year-old Palite—Paprika gelding over to the pace and he is coming along very handily in the way of speed, while having gained a great deal since last fall in the way of general attractiveness. Del Dudley's pacing filly by Palite out of Friskarina 2:13¼ has also wintered nicely, and Ed has the real article in the way of a young wiggler by Airlie Demonio 2:05½, dam by Star Pointer, grandam Effie Logan, dam of four in 2:10, etc. This lad is a two-year-old and is the property of Charley Johnson of Woodland, who will probably send Ed a few more at an early date, including the "old hoss" himself. Airlie was not raced last year but served quite a string of mares at a good price and is in excellent condition to be prepared for racing again.

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A brand new curtain raiser for the short grass country was arranged for recently by the formation of the Nebraska-Midway circuit, of which H. B. Smalley of Nebraska City is circuit secretary, the dates for the five meetings being as follows: Benson, June 8-10; Nebraska City, June 13-15; Auburn, June 20-22; Aurora, June 27-29; Kearney, July 3-5. Four hundred dollar purses, every heat a race with twenty-five dollars additional to the horse standing best in the summary, will be the rule, with classes uniform through the circuit for 2:27, 2:22, 2:18 and 2:14 trotters and 2:25, 2:20, 2:15, 2:11 and free-for-all pacers. At each meeting there will also be a three-year-old trot and a three-year-old pace as well as a two-year-old trot, entrance to close on April first at five per cent, with one hundred dollars added to each class by the local association. The circuit promises to be well patronized and will be welcomed by trainers who are ready to race early.

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W. L. Snow pulled stakes early last week and with fourteen horses left the State Fair grounds at Detroit, Mich., for Memphis, Tenn., where he will get ready for another trip down the big line. Here is a list of the lot: Bingen Pointer 2:06¼, by King Bingen 2:19¾; Lady Colbert 2:18¼, by Colbert 2:07½; La-Veese, bay filly, four, by The Abbe 2:04 out of Ruth Bond, by The Bondsman; Harold T., brown stallion, brother to Michigan Queen 2:03¾; bay stallion, six, by a son of Onward Silver 2:05¼; Ruth Stackhouse, three-year-old filly by Peter the Great 2:07¼, dam by Liberty Chimes 2:22½; Miss Ginger, two-year-old filly by Peter the Great; Peter Laurel, three-year-old gelding by Peter the Great, out of Laurel Leaf 2:13¼, by Stam B. 2:11¼; Great Many, three-year-old filly by Peter the Great; Peter G., bay stallion, by The Wolverine 2:09¾ out of Irene McGregor; Mr. Guy, four-year-old bay stallion by Guy Axworthy 2:08¾, dam by Baron Wilkes 2:18. Others that will be in the Snow stable will be shipped direct from the various owners to Memphis.—Horse Breeder.

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Hi Hogoboom of Woodland, who disposed of most of his aged horses at the DeRyder sale in this city last fall, is working a nice lot of young things that are well staked in the local futurities. The older members of the present stable are The Bulletin 2:28½ and Man o' War, the latter winner of second money in the trotting division of the Oregon Futurity as a youngster and now a nicely matured five-year-old. Lily of the Valley and Eva Dungan are a pair of two-year-old fillies by Palo King out of dams by Iran Alto and both have had a lot of lick at the trot ever since they were broken. A yearling sister to Eva Dungan has already trotted an eighth in nineteen seconds and another Palo King filly of like age and out of a daughter of Diablo 2:09¼ is equally promising. Hiram's special prize, however, is a ten months old stud colt by Robert Bingen 2:11¼ out of Beautiful Bird by Nutwood Wilkes, grandam Expressive (3) 2:12½ by Electioneer, great grandam Esther by Express, etc. The youngster is a big fellow for the age and has convinced Hi that he is the making of a very great trotter, so great in fact that the price on him at this moment (unless it has been raised since last Saturday) is five thousand dollars. Out of all the trotters raced last season on the Grand Circuit, seven aged performers of this way of going won in excess of this figure. Hi is also handling a two-year-old pacer by Jim Logan 2:01¾ out of a Palo King mare and will try conclusions with the boys at Dixon on May Day with this fellow. He is a sturdy scamp with quite a turn of speed and can step quarters at a twenty gait now, so he is liable to prove troublesome in those halfmile heats.

Now that the old reliable and ever resourceful John A. McKerron has retired from business and taken to peaceful pursuits in the Gilroy neighborhood, some of the "boys" at various training points are having a hard time to get exactly what they want in the way of boots and other gear, especially of the odd size or special pattern variety. Walter Tryon of Sacramento came into this city one day this week with good hard money to spend for some little "kinks" of this kind—and still had it when he started home. Though a trifle "put out" by the failure of his trip on this score he cheered up considerably whenever anyone happened to mention Dixon Boy, his four-year-old pacer that turned the Sacramento track this winter two even seconds better than 2:10. Walter is pretty well convinced that the Boy is of the kind that will really do in any company with a bit of age and experience as he is sound and unhurt in any way and is bred to go the route and come back in good style, being by The Patchen Boy (3) 2:10¾ and out of Leota 2:23 by Diablo 2:09¼, grandam Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½. The Peter the Great two-year-olds in Walter's stable also bring pleasant thoughts at all times, and all of his horses are wintering very nicely.

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H. G. Angevine of San Jose, nothing daunted by the general "class" shown last fall by the two-year-old trotters that contested in the junior divisions of the coast stakes, is figuring on being right up with the best of the three-year-olds this fall with the good trotting colt Jake Logan by Nearest McKinney 2:13¼, dam Berta Logan by Bert Logan 2:16¼, sire of the fast pacer Dwight Logan 2:03¼ that Charley Valentine sprung on the Grand Circuiters at Columbus, and other good ones. Jacob is a sturdy youngster and as a two-year-old was rated by William Cecil as being a much better colt than was Cecil's former championship pupil, John A. McKerron, at the same age, giving some slight evidence of his real quality by trotting the final quarter of a mile in 2:28 in thirty-two seconds. He has come along nicely and is in the best of shape for getting ready for his engagements. Mr. Angevine's two-year-old colt by Jim Logan 2:01¾ out of the same dam has grown into a big husky boy, as was the owner's plan when he turned him out early last year after he had shown that he possessed a world of natural whizz, lining out an eighth in sixteen seconds when barely more than well broken. He will be pointed especially for the pacing division of the State Fair futurity in 1917 and promises to be "there or thereabouts" if no bad luck comes his way.

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Elmo Montgomery, who moved his horses from the state fair grounds back to the old familiar plant at Woodland shortly after that establishment changed hands, has a string of seven head of the Effie Logan family quartered comfortably in the stalls formerly occupied by the Woodland Stock Farm horses that were in training. Jim Logan 2:01¾, the champion pacer of the coast states, looks better than ever if anything, in excellent flesh and with his legs as smooth and hard and cool as when he was a three-year-old. The curb thrown out at the exposition track last spring has entirely disappeared and Elmo will prepare him for the free-for-alls this season. Lock Logan 2:07½, who has shown more whizz than almost any green pacer in the west, was turned out last summer after the exposition, having no engagements, and looks like the real article and no mistake. He has the general makeup of the other fast ones of the bunch that have gone before him and his owner believes him capable of racing in 2:03 this season. Just what will be done with him is not fully decided as yet, but he will be gotten ready and then sent to some good eastern trainer or raced by Elmo in the principal western meetings. Maxine (3) 2:15, the first of the Jim Logans to be raced and who won the pacing division of the Breeders' futurity in 1914, has matured into one of the finest looking five-year-old mares in the west, with a lot of heart and lung room and quarters of exceptional power. She showed a good deal of quality when in training before and should make a most useful pacer. A five-year-old bay gelding, Hal Logan by Jim and out of Sweet Hallie (dam of two) by American Hal worked in 2:22 last fall before being let up on for the winter, and the three-year-old John E. Logan by Demonio and out of Effie Logan is taking his lessons and showing natural speed in the way one would expect from glancing over his breeding. Two two-year-olds by Jim complete the bunch, one a filly out of a Demonio dam and the other a gelding called Marshall Logan, out of Leota 2:23 by Diablo 2:09¼, grandam that famous producer of extreme speed Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes. Marshall had one hock hurt when a colt in the barn at the Marshall ranch at Dixon but seems to suffer no ill effects from the mishap at present and Elmo regards him very highly, as Leota is the dam of the three-year-old (in 1915) gelding Dixon Boy that worked the Sacramento track last December in 2:08 and is regarded by Walter Tryon as the very best green pacer he has ever had anything to do with. All the Jim Logan colts bear a good deal of resemblance to each other and are all good individuals, sturdily built and with a good turn of speed. There are three two-year-olds by him in training at the Woodland track all of whom can shade a twenty gait for a quarter of a mile right now, and if breeding was brisk he would be one of the best patronized pacing stallions in the state. Barring accidents Elmo will develop some high class performers from the material now in hand.

Thoroughbred Matters

THE SIRE OF HONEYWOOD.

Ever since the English stallion Honeywood arrived in the Nevada Stock Farm stables at the Pleasanton Driving Park last fall he has been the object of much attention and admiration on the part of visitors to that historic course, be they followers of the harness horse or the thoroughbred. In poor condition on his arrival as the result of a very rough journey, the son of Polymelus has improved wonderfully in the months that have intervened since his landing on American soil, and the impression spreads from week to week that George Wingfield's agents were most fortunate in securing him for their patron. Some time ago Honeywood was the subject of a dissertation on the part of "Audax," the turf and stud authority of our esteemed English contemporary, Horse and Hound, which was reproduced in these columns, while at a more recent date there appeared from the pen of the same writer the following interesting story of Polymelus, Pommern, and other members of the family which have made history so sensationally on English tracks in recent years:

Compared with his brother Jack, Mr. Sol Joel cannot be described as a fortunate owner, but he had at least one stroke of good luck, and that was when, in the Park Paddocks, Newmarket, on Thursday morning, September 27, 1906, he purchased Polymelus for 4200 guineas. Having bid 4000 guineas, he had virtually retired when Frank Hartigan, acting for the horse's then owner, Mr. David Faber, bid a further hundred, and it was only strong persuasion from Mr. Tattersall which tempted Mr. Joel to one more century, this enabling him to secure the horse, as the Weyhill trainer had already exceeded his limit—the 4000 guineas that Mr. Joel had already offered for Cyllene's handsome son. How splendid a buy this was most people know. The following Saturday week Polymelus, 4 yrs, 8st 3lb (D. Maher), cantered home five lengths ahead of Roseate Dawn, 5yrs, 9st, for the ten-furlong Duke of York Stakes, starting at 7 to 4 in a field of twelve. The next Tuesday Polymelus, with 5 to 1 betted on him, beat his only opponent, Gold Riach, by fifteen lengths for the Champion Stakes over the same distance as the Kempton Park race, and a fortnight later, also at Newmarket, in the Houghton week, he won the nine-furlong Cambridgeshire Stakes, under 8st 10lb, in Maher's able hands, by three lengths from Kaffir Chief, 4yrs, 6st 10lb. The competitors numbered twenty, and Polymelus, the medium of a very big gamble on the part of Mr. Joel and his friends, was an 11 to 10 chance, being much the hottest favorite on record for this famous autumn handicap. In 1907 Polymelus ran a bad third to The White Knight and Troutbeck in the Coronation Cup at Epsom, the only other runner being Polar Star, who started at 5 to 4 on, and in this race suffered his first defeat. The only other time the bay son of Cyllene and Maid Marian (a half-sister to Le Fleche and Memoir, and dam also of Ercildoune and Grafton, the latter being a remarkably successful sire in Australia) appeared on a racecourse was for the mile-and-a-half Princess of Wales' Stake of 4840 sovs, at Newmarket, when, carrying 9st 7lb, he won by two lengths from Nulli Secundus, 4yrs, 8st 11b, with seven more behind them.

In the four races he secured for Mr. Joel, Polymelus earned £8765, and from the first time his stock ran the horse proved himself a splendid stallion, heading the list of winning sires for the past two years. His first winner was Polish, who on June 6, 1911, secured the May Plate at Wolverhampton, and the others to score by him up to date are Black Jester (winner of the St. Leger, worth £6450, besides other races), Carpentia, Chantemerle, Chiddingstone, Corcyra, Fifinella, Honeywood, Indian Mail, Maiden Erlegh, Melga, Phalaris, Polistena, Polkerris (whose only victory was in the rich Coronation Stakes of £3300), Polloia, Pollywin, Polycrates, Polydamna, Polydamus, Polygamist, Polygram, Polymela, Polyphonic, Polystone, Pommern, Port Carlisle, Prince Igor, Romagne, St. Alf, and Stapleton. These have between them won eighty-seven races, worth collectively £65,893. Pommern, whose only fault is his German name, is certainly the best horse so far begotten by Polymelus, and he is a racer of very high class indeed, although I must see him perform another year before I am able to endorse what is written about Mr. Joel's champion under a certain admirable portrait of the horse, jockey, and owner—"The best horse of modern times."

THE TRIUMPHS OF POMMERN.

Mr. Joel was greatly disappointed when Polkerris failed to win the One Thousand Guineas of 1912, for he thought her certain to do so; but the race went to Tagalie, who afterwards won the Derby. The first "classic" event secured by the "pink and green-striped jacket and pink cap" was when Pommern won the Two Thousand Guineas, and the following Saturday I wrote as follows: "Pommern, foaled at the Maiden Erlegh Stud on March 22, 1912, had some sort of blood-poisoning in the spring of 1914, which affected his off hind leg, and was in consequence backward when running without distinction behind Good and Gay and Desmond M. at Ascot and Newmarket respectively. When Goodwood was reached, however, he had come nicely to hand, and cantered away with the Richmond Stakes, in which odds of 2 to 1 were laid on Follow Up, giving him 8lb, in a field of ten. He also ran for the Imperial Produce Plate at Kempton, and carrying 8st 12lb won by four lengths from the much more fancied King Priam, 9st 6lb. The latter beat Follow Up, 9st 1lb, by a head, with the other runner, Snow Marten, 8st 2lb, a long way last. Recently, when failing by three-quarters of a length to concede 15lb to Rossendale in the Craven Stakes over the Rowley Mile, I remarked, in commenting upon this race, how greatly Pommern was distressed in the Birdcage afterwards, and that it would either bring him on a lot or else do much harm. Well, he evidently benefited by that race; no horse could have been much fitter than he was on Wednesday. He is a very truly balanced, good-looking bay colt, who looks like winning the Derby." Owing to the war the great Epsom race had to be abandoned for the first time in its history, but on June 16th last Pommern won the New Derby, instituted in its stead, with great ease at Newmarket, and would with equal certainty have secured the 138th Derby Stakes on the Surrey hills if racing had taken place there. On September 15th, also at Newmarket, but on another course, Pommern trotted in for the September Stakes, run in lieu of the St. Leger, and he also secured the Limekiln Stakes, the races he has so far won for his owner being worth £12,072. That he should be reckoned on merits a Triple Crown champion there is no sort of question, for if the races for the Derby and St. Leger had been brought off nothing short of an accident could have stopped Pommern, who is a remarkably sound horse, from winning them. The winners so far are West Australian (1853), Gladiateur (1865), Lord Lyon (1866), Ormonde (1886), Common (1891), Isinglass (1893), Galtee More (1897), Flying Fox (1899), Diamond Jubilee (1900), and Rock Sand (1903).

EASTERN DATES FOR THOROUGHBRED RACING

Bowie, April 1 to 14—12 days.
Havre de Grace, April 15 to 29—13 days.
Pimlico, May 1 to 17—15 days.
Jamaica, May 18 to 24—6 days.
Belmont Park, May 25 to June 14—18 days.
Jamaica, June 15 to 23—8 days.
Aqueduct, June 24 to July 11—15 days.
Empire City, July 12 to 29—16 days.
Saratoga, July 31 to August 26—24 days.
Belmont Park, August 28 to Sept. 9—12 days.

Racing is to begin in New York May 18 and the schedule that was approved by the stewards of The Jockey Club provides for continuous sport in the State until September 9. This means ninety-nine days of racing, and it is exactly the same term as that of last year.

The schedule of 1915 called for 101 days, but in its arrangement the Saratoga meeting was to come to a close August 31. That date fell on Tuesday, and the Saratoga Association surrendered two days to bring the closing Saturday. This action made the schedule, in the matter of racing days, identical with this year's allotment.

The stewards have respected the wishes of Maryland in fixing the racing dates, and there will be no conflict. Maryland has become an important part of the Eastern racing circuit ,and the four associations there reached an agreement on a division of the time that provides for forty days of entertainment for that state, beginning April 1, before the New York season is opened.

As spring and summer dates were issued last year the circuit, including Maryland, called for 143 racing days, as against 139 that have been framed for this season, but the fact that Pimlico gave up its last day, Saratoga two days and Bowie had to close down April 3 on account of a heavy snow fall, brings that season down to the same racing time that has just been decided upon.

This year Saratoga will surrender none of its racing time for the very good and sufficient reason that the schedule brings the season at the Spa to an end on a Saturday. That will make the racing season identical with that of last year. There does not seem to be any good reason to expect Pimlico to surrender its last day and it is not probable that Bowie will lose any racing time by reason of stress of weather.

An analysis of the dates reveals that the Westchester Association, that conducts meetings at Belmont Park, is given much the best of it, but that is easily understood when the track facilities are taken into consideration. Counting the twelve days in the fall there will be thirty-five days of racing at the big course and this term includes five Saturdays, Decoration Day and Labor Day.

Jamaica has two Saturdays in its fourteen days of sport, one in each of the short meetings. Empire City, in its sixteen days of sport, is awarded three Saturdays.

This is an identical distribution of the Saturdays and holidays with the dates of last season in the State of New York.

There are some minor changes in the Saturday line in Maryland. Bowie is the same, with its two Saturdays in its twelve days of racing, but Havre de Grace opening and closing on Saturday gives that track three of those desirable days in a thirteen-day session, as against two last year with a fourteen-day meeting. Pimlico loses one Saturday when there are only two in its fifteen-day session.

Making a comparison with 1915 there are only three changes in the racing time, and two of them are offset by surrenders in 1915. These changes are at Havre de Grace, where thirteen days have been allotted as against fourteen, but the adding of another Saturday more than makes up for the one day curtailment. Pimlico is awarded fifteen days, as against sixteen last year, but in 1915 the sixteenth day was not used. The other change is at Saratoga, where twenty-four days are allotted, as against twenty-six last year, but in 1915 only twenty-four days were utilized.

Saratoga with its twenty-four days of racing has four Saturdays and the fifteen days at the Aqueduct track of the Queens County Jockey Club include three Saturdays and the Fourth of July.

The division of the Saturdays and holidays is of vast importance in a racing year and it has always been a bone of contention among the associations when the turf is in a prospering condition. Belmont Park will have opposition on Decoration Day as well as one of its Saturdays, when the Piping Rock Association will conduct its racing.

No reason exists for the Piping Rock Association paying the slightest attention to the Belmont Park dates. Last year though Belmont Park had a full eighteen days in the spring no consideration was shown the Piping Rock club, and the races were conducted at the big track while sportsmen of Locust Valley filled their dates. No provision was made for Piping Rock in the present schedule—probably it was not even asked after the treatment of last season—and it was natural that the most desirable days should be chosen.

Another clash with the amateurs comes at the second Jamaica meeting when there will be two days at Brookline. This is a conflict that is of no moment for the reason that the sport offered at the two courses is of a widely different nature and Brookline is so far removed from Long Island.

The change of scene for the New York opening will doubtless meet the hearty approval of racegoers. With the Metropolitan Jockey Club starting the season at Jamaica there are six days in which to obtain some sort of a line on horses before the running of the Metropolitan Handicap at Belmont Park May 25. Belmont Park is the logical racing ground for the big holidays and Decoration Day has become the natural property of the big Queens County course. Jamaica is not equipped to take care of the big crowds that will be out on such days, but at its second meeting, from June 15 to 23, it is natural to expect good racing weather.

Old Aqueduct, the home of the Queens County Jockey Club, is well taken care of when it is remembered that the fifteen days include three Saturdays and July 4, which falls on Tuesday this year. The Yonkers track of the Empire City Racing Association is kindly treated, even though the opening day is an anniversary of the Battle of the Boyne, for there are three Saturdays in the session.—Thoroughbred Record.

The west may have a representative in the Kentucky Derby this year, as George Wingfield is so well pleased with the quality shown by Skeer Face at New Orleans that he has about decided to give the youngster a whirl at the classic. The son of Hippodrame—Fleeing Venus has done well at New Orleans in George State's hands, proving a winner in fast time in the best of company. He is a product of old Kentucky but spent most of his "growing days" in Nevada and California, so he is at least a "professional westerner" by this time. Six weeks usually suffices to "convert" these eastern folks.

From the best advice obtainable at this time it seems quite probable that racing will be resumed at the Tia Juana course not later than the second Saturday in April, while President Coffroth and his associates are working hard to get things under way a week earlier. Transportation facilities are being rapidly put to rights and the work on the track and grounds is being pushed as fast as possible. A few horses still remain at the track, but most of those in attendance at the meeting are now quartered at San Diego and Los Angeles and are being kept in tiptop shape pending the reopening of the Lower California track. As the meetings at Juarez and New Orleans will be over by the time activities are renewed here on the coast quite an influx of horses is expected from those points and even better sport than that originally provided is confidently expected.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

DOG TRAFFIC BY COLLEGE DISCOVERED.

The San Francisco Chronicle is to be commended for its campaign against the practice of the University of California Medical School of buying dogs for vivisection purposes without making proper inquiry into their ownership. Since attention has been called to the butchering of these dogs at the Affiliated Colleges in San Francisco, lovers of dogs have entered complaints by the wholesale.

It is not only cruelty but many times pets, cherished by men, women and children, have been purchased from anyone who offers them for $1, and they have been made to suffer. The discovery was made that the Affiliated Colleges maintains a big kennel and dogs by the hundreds are quartered there. One man who had lost a dog secured a search warrant and went through the kennels. The sights he saw were pitiful. There were dogs of all breeds and descriptions that had been butchered and all bundled up with bandages and plasters.

That this practice has been going on for years is surprising. It was not generally known, although those in the neighborhood of the colleges were aware that any dog would be received and $1 paid. It is probable that hundreds of lost pets found their way to the operating table to go under the surgeon's knife while their fond owners hunted frantically about. This was true in several cases that we know about.

Clarence Nauman, the well-known San Francisco sportsman, lost his valuable hunting pointer Coke a couple of weeks ago. A groceryman tipped him to the fact that his pet might be at the Affiliated Colleges, and sure enough, he was there. Jim Griffin, the referee of boxing matches, hunted a week for his fox terrier Budge until he received a letter from the Affiliated Colleges that his pet was there. Investigation has since shown dozens of other cases.

Why lovers of dogs should pay license fees and take the chance of some one stealing their pets for the money paid at the Affiliated Colleges is something that the city authorities are investigating.

Dr. George H. Whipple makes the lame explanation that it is difficult to ascertain the ownership of the dogs the colleges purchase and that the pets are returned if the owners call for them. That's a nice state of affairs. How many people knew that the colleges made a practice of buying up dogs from any Tom, Dick or Harry and then butchering them? The place where they should secure their dogs, if it is absolutely necessary to have them to carry on the research work, is from the public pound, and then the chances would not be so great in getting some pedigreed pets.

LAW AGAINST RAISING TROUT.

Some legal stumbling blocks are in the way of persons desiring to go into the business of rearing trout, and particularly those who think they can take "wild' 'trout in the streams and strip them, says a Los Angeles paper.

In a letter from State Superintendent of Hatcheries Shebley, who is moving his office from the big hatchery at Sisson to San Francisco, he outlines the law as follows:

"Under the general trout law no one but the California Fish and Game Commission or the Bureau of Fisheries can take trout except with hook and line, and then only during the open season. They must also comply with the law regarding the limit of ten pounds and one fish during open season.

"Those building hatcheries must build them to the satisfaction of the Fish and Game Commission also, and subject to inspection by the deputies. No one but those deputized can 'strip' wild trout at all.

"Anyone placing dams in creeks will have to install fishways at once to allow the fish to have free passageway of the creeks, as provided in the fishway law. If they desire to operate a private hatchery or a trout farm they will have to get their eggs outside the State."

Several propositions have been placed on foot of late looking toward making money out of raising trout artificially. Eggs bought outside the State must be inspected, owing to the danger of importing disease with them.

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Spotfin croakers have reappeared in San Pedro Bay following the cleaning of the water after the storms, and catches of from a dozen to twenty have been made quite regularly by rod and reel men.

Ten years ago this news would have sent a trainload of ardent sinker-shyers scurrying to the beach with a basket of clams and two pounds apiece of salted sardines. The insurance business would have about stopped, and some other lines looked lonesome. But those were the days of six to ten-pound croakers. The present run takes six to ten to weigh as many pounds in the aggregate.

Where the big "spotfins" have gone to is one of those questions that anglers discuss and never solve. Too much oil, too much commerce in the bay, have been advanced, but the little ones are there. Many think the "run" must develop anew, and that these small fry are the forerunners of old-time sport, given a few years' longer growth.

Small catches of corbina are being made, the new pier south of Long Beach and at Redondo being fished quite heavily for the "off season."

Barracuda are running outside in spots, and one of the best day's business reported in many a moon with yellowtail was pulled off last week off White's Point outside San Pedro; but the scrappers are rather hard to locate, and not everyone succeeded in getting into them.

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Snow has melted from the hatchery site on Oak Creek in the Owens Valley, and Fish and Game Commissioner Connell is ready to begin work thereupon as soon as the outside bureaus will permit.

In a telegram to the Commissioner recently, Carl J. Walter of Independence said a warm rain had finished the snow in the valley and at the site. It had been melting steadily for a week previous, and the transportation of materials can begin as soon as the roads dry out a little.

This means the game birds of the Owens Valley which have survived the unprecedented snow conditions thus far, thanks to the food scattered by the Fish and Game Commission deputies and public-spirited citizens, will probably be saved for breeding stock.

NEW FLY-CASTING SCORING SYSTEM.

The fifth mid-winter tournament of the San Francisco Fly-Casting Club was a pronounced success. In spite of the very threatening weather conditions, a large number of members, with guests, were present.

For the first time in the history of fly or lure casting, the figuring of scores was done on a Demerit basis instead of the Percentage method always used before. With the Demerit system the work is much simplified, as the number of points or demerits the caster makes from a perfect score gives him his standing. Thus in heavy tackle accuracy, if a contestant made a total of 14 demerits, under the Demerit Method, his score would be 14, but on a percentage basis his score would be 99-60ths.

This plan of scoring by demerits was proposed at the meeting of the National Association of Scientific Angling Clubs, held in San Francisco in August, 1915, was favorably passed on, and eventually will be adopted by the N. A. S. A. C.

The conditions were not the best for good scores. The wind was variable and the weather was cloudy. The summary:

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
C. G. Young	18½	14	28	31½	...	38	.....
Stanley Forbes	25	25	63	27½	...	31	133 4-5
T. C. Kierulff	19½	23	31	15½	114	42	106 3-5
P. M. Nippert	46½	47	40	17½	...	94	104 2-5
J. Springer	86	20	74	15	100	73	.....
W. J. Davis, Jr.	55½	24	52	14	108	27	92 2-5
J. F. Burgin	56	12	16	14	...	17	.....
H. A. Thomsen, Jr.	57½	25	57	20	105	116	.....
F. J. Cooper	56	25	27	15½	120	19	52 2-5
C. H. Kewell	60	21	32	17½	105	33	101
C. H. Gardner	44½	75	74	19	...	15	124 2-5
F. A. Webster	37	28	68	13	...	20	.....
C. A. Kierulff	50	57	50	20	80	...	.....
Dr. O. Westerfeld	105	65	71	....	...	178	.....
P. W. Shattuck	63	12	53	20½	...	23	.....
F. H. Reed	27½	47	49	13½	...	...	.....
H. B. Sperry	32½	16	44	23	120	18	.....
H. H. Kirk	78½	52	42	....	...	...	.....
Dr. W. E. Brooks	59	26	61	30	...	90	.....
W. D. Mansfield	32	..	..	11	122	32	.....
A. Sperry	68	..	..	30½	...	17	.....
Geo. C. Edwards	40	..	..	11	80	75	.....

Events were: 1, delicacy and accuracy; 2, heavy tackle, accuracy; 3, obstacle fly; 4, dry fly, accuracy; 5, salmon fly for distance; 6, one-half ounce lure, accuracy; 7, one-half ounce lure, distance.

Delicacy and Accuracy—first prize, Col. C. G. Young; second prize, T. C. Kierulff; booby prize, Dr. Otto Westerfield.

Heavy Tackle Accuracy—P. W. Shattuck first, J. F. Burgin second, C. H. Gardner booby prize.

Dry Fly Accuracy—W. D. Mansfield first, F. J. Cooper second, C. G. Young booby prize.

Obstacle Fly—J. F. Burgin first, H. B. Sperry-F. J. Cooper second, C. P. Kierulff-G. Edwards booby prize.

One-half Ounce Lure, Accuracy—C. H. Gardner first, A. Sperry second, Dr. Otto Westerfeld booby prize.

One-half Ounce Lure, Distance—Stanley Forbes first, C. H. Gardner second, and F. J. Cooper, booby prize.

Judges—F. J. Cooper, Joseph Springer, P. W. Shattuck and C. A. Kierulff. Referee—W. J. Davis, Jr. Clerk, Chas E. Hills, Jr.

GAME LAWS IN TEXAS, A JOKE?

Game laws in Texas are pretty much of a joke, if all things said about them are true. No one apparently pays any attention to the laws; hunters kill game in or out of season, and very few trouble their conscience by paying the license fee to hunt. Although there were over 100,000 hunters in Texas last year but 4,426 took out hunting licenses and a portion of that number were non-residents. The $7,637 collected from licenses will not go far towards policing 270,000 square miles. The legislature doesn't appear to be interested in the game laws, for if the lawmakers were they would change the law to make every hunter pay a license instead of allowing him to hunt without a license in his own county. The hunters travel to other counties, knowing that there are no game warden to "flag" them.

GREYHOUNDS ENTERED FOR COURSING.

Interest is being manifested throughout Superior California in the coursing meet to be held on the John Elliot ranch near Franklin tomorrow, March 5. Edward Walsh, organizer of the Capital City Coursing Club, stated that from the way dog owners are making application for entry blanks, there will be more applications than it will be wise to admit.

Dog owners of San Francisco, Richmond, Oakland and in fact from all cities and points in Superior California are interested in the meet and are clamoring to have their pet dogs entered.

There will be twelve or more Sacramento hounds entered. Pepper Kid, the so far undefeated champion, owned by Tom Kennedy, is entered and is the favorite in the betting. He is declared to be a fitting successor to Walsh's Sacramento Boy, which was the world's champion up to his death a few years ago.

P. Riely of San Francisco has four dogs to enter; E. Donohoe of San Francisco has three, and Roy Avery of San Francisco has written that if his hound is not in condition he will send east for one and have it in the race. Dan Hogan, a coursing enthusiast of Richmond, has four dogs that he believes have a chance for the stakes.

The stake will be from $70 to $100 cash for the first money and $50 or more for the second. The Rossiter Cup has reverted to the Capital City Coursing Club and will be awarded to the winning dog at the next meet. It will be a challenge cup and the dog that wins it must be kept in condition by its owner if the cup is to be retained.

WASHINGTON FIELD TRIAL REPORT.

Tacoma, Wash.—Once more showing heels to the remainder of the field, Lometa, the star pointer owned by F. D. Dean of Tacoma, won the All Age stake in the annual field trials of the Washington Field Trial Club. This marked the conclusion of the field work and the session was brought to a close with a banquet.

Destiny Buck, owned by A. H. Nelson of this city, was second in the All Age trials, while Queen Lou, owned by Billett and Van Deener of Anacortes, was third. So close was the competition between the last two that they were in the field more than an hour before a decision could be reached. The victory of Lometa, however, was clear-cut, as it was last year, and experts in field dogs ventured the opinion yesterday that the Dean entry was worth sending to the Middle West to enter some of the All-American meetings.

Next to the All Age stake in importance was the Open Derby, and in this another Tacoma dog was returned the winner. Destiny Buck, that finished second only to Lometa in the All Age running, was the winner in the open event. A. H. Nelson has a fine field setter in this dog and, with additional grooming, he will be good enough to enter any field in competition for national honors.

Momo's Lady Lou, owned and entered by Billett and Van Deveer, was second in this event, while R. C. Brown's Llewellyn Danstone's Duke was third. That these events have attracted no little attention among the owners and admirers of high bred dogs there is little doubt. The meeting was attended by many besides those who had entries and it is predicted that the Tacoma meetings will grow in size until they are the classics for field trials in this section of the country.

JOCKEY CHARLEY THORPE, MIDGET SHOT, DIED IN POVERTY.

From Omaha, Neb., comes the following announcement of the death of one of the big-hearted trapshooters of the west—a man whose great generosity so far exceeded his cool judgment that a life of luxury in its meridian, closed in poverty:

Charley Thorpe, who rode horses for kings, died in Omaha, Neb., in his room at 106 South Twenty-fourth street. Thorpe in his time had earned a fortune of hundreds of thousands of dollars—and spent it. He was 52 years old. Thirty-five years ago, as a farmer boy in Whiting, Iowa, he started riding horses in county fair races. He grew in ability, and in 1888 was drawing a salary of $12,000 a year.

He rode for famous American stables, and in 1900 was riding for the Prince of Wales. In 1903 he won the Paris Grand Prix, with its $65,000 purse, for the Count re Harcourt.

But age brought him weight and he retired with a fortune in 1905, when he established a stable at Geneva, Neb. The bottom fell out of the racing game and Thorpe's fortune began to vanish.

He loved to shoot, and with Billy Townsend, now dead, made up the "midget pair" which shot at tournaments all over the west.

He spent his money easily. He did not dissipate, but veteran trapshooters tell how he would toss up a $100 bill and say, "Here, boys, shoot for it."

Bad investments, misplaced confidence and carelessness of cash got the rest of his fortune, and a year ago Thorpe, spending his last hundred with the same ease he had dropped hundreds of thousands, came to Omaha and started tending bar.

His wife survives him.

Sportsmen's Row

To Dr. Edward Topham went the honor of breaking the first rock at the new Golden Gate grounds. Twenty or thirty years hence the boys will be talking about that for they say they are located in Alameda to stay.

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San Francisco will yet pull off a big shoot—perhaps the Great American Handicap—if N. A. Howard has his say.

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Our friend Lodge almost had Shell Mound Park fenced in. Now figure on Alameda, you hustler.

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Bill Ellis and Fred Webster can certainly show Clarence Haight, Fred Willett and Bill Price some pointers when it comes to finding a shooting grounds. Goodbye, Shell Mound.

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Dr. Eaton cannot see how a blue rock can get away from his this season. Doc figures on installing a trap in Jordan Park.

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The Golden Gate Club has been well named the "Hard Luck Club," but it shows that red fighting blood and talent cannot be suppressed. Easton Club, take notice.

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The Golden Gaters have scheduled a big merchandise shoot for the near future. Talk to your friends, members, and bring in some prizes.

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W. Stressler of the Selby Co. was the right man in the right place on Washington's Birthday. When the trap broke he made a record run to San Francisco and back with a new part. The thanks of the club are yours, Mr. Stressler.

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In the Placerville justice court William Maynard was arraigned and his trial set for hearing before Justice of the Peace Clark Howard at 10 o'clock on March 7.

Maynard was arrested on the complaint of Game Wardens Euell Gray and Chester Scroggs for killing a female deer during closed season. The officers were working on the case previously but it was not until last week that an arrest was made.

Maynard has retained George Thompson to represent him at the trial. He entered a plea of not guilty and demanded a full jury trial, which demand was granted. He was released on $100 bail. It is alleged that he killed a female deer in the Cosumnes vicinity. District Attorney Abe Darlington is prosecuting the case and it is expected that he will be assisted by Attorney Duke of the Fish and Game Commission.

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A writer on the sport alluring states that one of the schemes of A. W. Stowger, the new president of the Portland, Ore., Gun Club, is to have special events for the banker, business and professional man, with the idea of interesting them in "the sport alluring." Some western clubs put on special events for newspapermen in order to interest the "scribes" in the progressive movement.

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At the annual meeting of the Tacoma Bait and Fly Casting Club held February 11th the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year: President, R. B. Nason; vice-president, B. B. Perrow; secretary and treasurer, H. J. Nason; captain, W. J. Bailey; trustee for three-year term, C. R. Werner. Plans for the establishment of a permanent fishing preserve in the near future were considered. The outlook for a successful season both in contest work and fishing is very encouraging.—H. J. Nason, Secretary, Tacoma, Wash.

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James Mahsente, who has resided in the mountains near Ornbaun for a quarter of a century, reports great fatality among the deer on Ornbaun Mountain, close to Signal Ridge. After the recent snow storm he went over his ranch and discovered ten dead deer in one day, of all sizes, big and little. Hunters report the same state of affairs, and it appears that some contagious disease is carrying off the animals.

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Karl M. Anderson had the good fortune to recover a valuable Irish terrier pup that was lost last week for several days. His name was Madrona Beau Brummel and he was a gift from Capt. Tennant, who has extensive kennels in Seattle.

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C. C. Ward, a recent new member, is an old Eastern trap man. Ward started the game out Green Lake way a few years ago, which now is formed into the Green Lake Gun Club.

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In a recent shoot in Indianapolis Dr. O. R. Britton, 74 years of age, broke 96 targets out of 100 tried for. Father Time doesn't dim his shooting eye in the least. He has been banging away at the clay birds for a good many years and has been a contestant in shooting matches for fifty years.

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Hugh Poston, of Hercules Powder fame, came out to the Seattle grounds rather crippled up with rheumatism, but from the scores this evidently made no difference to Hugh, inasmuch as he was high score for the day and shot like a house a-fire.

Among "old-timers" seen on the Seattle grounds Sunday were Bill Stewart, Dr. Steel, Fred Charles, Dr. Jordon and W. S. Moreton. It sure did seem like old times with all these fellows around.

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The United Sportsmen's Camp of Wilkes-Barre (Pa.) will introduce a number of measures at the next session of the Pennsylvania Legislature. One of them will ask for the protection of quail for three years by a closed season; another prohibiting the use of silencers on shotguns in hunting, and others to prohibit hunting before sunrise; prohibiting the killing of spike bucks, and to abolish the provisions of the law giving one-half of the fines to the informer. The Sportsmen's Camp are interested in the betterment of present conditions and think that the game laws on the whole are very good.

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With the closing of the duck hunting season in Florida, Georgia and South Carolina on February 15 wild waterfowl shooting ceased until next September. The Weeks-McLean bill prohibits gunning at migrants in their northward flights before they reach their breeding grounds, raise another generation of ducklings and start for the south again.

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There has been little doing in the fishing line lately. The rains of last Sunday spoiled the fun for the boys that were brave enough to venture out. It is hoped that the weather will clear and give the rodsters a chance.

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Clarence A. Haight, secretary of the California-Nevada Association and the Golden Gate Club, telegraphed his office that he left New York on Thursday. He is going to return to the Coast by way of Los Angeles and San Diego and will visit with the southern tarhawks. Clarence is certain of a royal reception for he is a popular fellow.

GEORGE NEALE DID NOT SAY IT.

Editor, Breeder and Sportsman:—

Referring to the article in your February 19th number with reference to the introduction of the strawberry bass into California waters, in which it is stated that George Neale stated that these fish will supplant the "undesirable" Sacramento Perch, won't you please say that George Neale, or any one else, would be an ass to make such a statement.

You never can compare the Sacramento Perch with any other species of fish. It is par excellence a fresh water table fish, not excepting any.

The error no doubt occurred when I stated to a Sacramento news gatherer that the Crappie family, of which the strawberry bass is a member, would, I believe, supplant in numbers the once plentiful Sacramento Perch, unfortunately, just now about exterminated. Some one owes the Archoplites Interruptus an apology.

Yours very truly,

GEORGE NEALE.

Sacramento, Feb. 28.

RANCHER KILLS COYOTE FROM BED.

H. M. Spencer, a rancher who lives about five miles northwest of Wasco, Ore., was awakened one day recently by the cries of his dog. Dressing hastily, he seized his shotgun and went outside to see what the commotion might be about. He found a coyote fighting his dog.

Spencer, who is a good shot, had to fire more or less at random, because the coyote mixed it up so much with the dog he feared he might kill his own animal. At the firing of the gun, however, the snarling coyote charged him and Spencer ran into the house. He leaped onto the bed and as the coyote jumped for him, he struck the animal with the butt end of the gun, stunning it, and then clubbed the coyote to death.

It is presumed the coyote became maddened by the bites of the dog and fought back in a way that is unusual with these animals. At the time when Spencer clubbed the animal to death his wife and child lay on the bed, terrorized. H. E.

Portland, Ore.

SCANDAL ABOUT SAM HUNTLEY.

Looking over the trap-shooting dope of Sandy Griswold, the Omaha expert, we run across some scandal about Sam Huntley. We do not like to spread the bad news around but inasmuch as Huntley has been out here and was charged with getting into a number of jams it may be well to print what Sandy says in answer to a query he received:—

"His longest run — Well, I have no record of that, but can assure you that he is now, at the present time, making the longest run of his varied career—he has vanished, as from the face of the footstool, and the minions of the law are after him on charges of bigamy. It turns out that this fellow has a wife in no less than four cities in the United States and he is wanted by the authorities in each. Bigamy is not the only charge against him ,either.

"But, be the facts as they may, Huntley never did catch on very extensively with the shooters in Omaha, which city he claimed as his 'regular' home. He was a mysterious, reticent sort of a duck, and the subject of unfavorable comment many times on shooting grounds and in club houses. But enough of this, which I wot you, will be startling information for many of the shooters throughout the land."

NOTES HERE AND THERE.

Lewiston, Idaho.—Sportsmen of Lewiston and Lapwai are considering holding a magpie shoot in the Lapwai valley at an early date. It is proposed for a team of shooters from this city to visit the valley and pit themselves against a like team from Lapwai, the losers in the shoot to provide the winners with a feast. It is alleged by sportsmen that the magpie is allied to the crow and very destructive toward other members of the bird family, whose nests it visits and destroys the eggs and young.

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Moscow, Idaho.—Frank B. Jones of Little Potlatch and Phil Schooler of Genesee arrived in Moscow last week from a mountain lion hunt on the north fork of the Clearwater river. They brought with them the pelts of five large lions, one kitten and one lynx. The hunters state that it required several weeks' work to kill the animals. Both hunters stated that in their judgment, based upon actual count of dead deer partially eaten since the deep snow, that each cougar inhabiting central Iraho will average killing 50 deer yearly.

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Walla Walla, Wash.—Word has been received by Chairman J. H. Pedigo of the county game commission that 15,000 eastern brook trout have been assigned to Walla Walla county in addition to the fish previously assigned. They will be forwarded from the Spokane hatchery.

Seattle Association.—A record crowd of shooters turned out Sunday, Feb. 20, at the opening shoot of the Seattle Trapshooters' Association, at its Harbor Island grounds. The lineup numbered over ten squads. The first part of the program started in a dense fog, which soon cleared, the sun bringing out many additional shooters.

The club surprised itself with a brand new clubhouse, this being one of the many improvements now under way.

New members and new shooters were much in evidence and scores made by them were far above the average. Those shooting for the first time as members of the club were Fred Call, K. S. Lapp, W. F. Zwick, H. J. Lochow, A. W. Mathis, Guy W. McPherson, of Renton; Van M. Woodaman and Dr. W. E. Sturgis.

The honor of being the first lady member of the club has gone to Mrs. Mary C. Ruppe, who was on the grounds but did not shoot. She is only one of many others of the fair sex who will take up the sport alluring this year with the Seattle club.

Out of town shooters were A. Reihl, of Tacoma, and Guy McPherson, of Renton.

H. Poston, professional, carried off high honors with a score of 97. Hugh Fleming and Deskin Reid tied with 94 for high amateur score, these being made in the 100 target shoot of ten events each.

Four squads lined up for the handicap event of twenty-five targets. P. Gardiner and H. Poston tied with 23. The scores:

Twenty-five Target Handicap—Dr. Sturgis 17, P. Gardiner 23, F. J. Sheehan 8, C. E. McKelvey 22, Fred Call 19, M. Grossman 19, A. Reihl 22, D. Reid 17, Fred Landwehr 18, L. S. Barnes 18, J. A. Conklin 19, W. B. Taft 16, G. McPherson 14, L. H. Reid* 20, I. Fisher* 20, D. Rhodes 18, George Garrison* 15, George Hambright* 18, H. Poston* 23, C. E. McKelvey 20.

One hundred target shoot—

Targets—	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	Ttl
I. Fisher*	9	9	10	9	9	8	10	10	9	9	92
R. Searle	9	7	8	10	9	..	..	..	..	..	42
L. H. Reid*	9	8	8	7	10	10	9	9	7	10	87
D. Reid	9	8	10	10	10	8	10	9	10	10	94
A. Reihl	7	10	10	8	9	9	10	9	7	8	87
M. Grossman	9	10	8	9	8	10	8	7	8	84
A. Drake	7	8	9	8	9	9	9	8	8	8	83
J. S. Ruppe	8	9	9	8	7	8	9	9	10	86
H. Fleming	10	10	9	10	9	10	8	10	8	10	94
R. W. Kinzer	7	8	8	10	5	10	10	10	9	10	87
F. E. Bronson	8	7	10	8	7	9	7	9	10	8	83
W. J. Northfoss	6	7	8	6	9	8	7	8	8	5	72
J. H. Hopkins	7	8	9	10	9	9	7	9	9	9	86
Fred Landwher	7	7	10	9	8	8	9	7	8	10	83
A. W. Mathis	5	7	6	7	5	..	..	..	..	..	30
L. S. Barnes	10	9	8	8	8	10	10	8	9	8	88
J. A. Conklin	10	10	9	9	8	9	8	8	7	10	88
W. F. Zwick	4	4	2	3	6	8	5	4	..	..	36
E. K. Van Vleck	7	10	7	9	7	..	..	..	..	..	40
E. L. Blood	5	3	3	7	4	..	..	..	..	..	22
R. Oppie	9	7	10	10	8	8	10	9	10	8	89
A. Taft	8	8	8	6	8	7	..	..	..	..	45
G. H. Hambright*	10	10	9	9	8	9	9	9	9	9	91
D. Rhodes	8	9	10	9	8	7	9	7	10	10	88
H. Poston*	10	9	9	10	10	10	10	10	10	9	97
C. E. McKelvey	9	8	10	8	8	9	9	10	9	10	90
D. Schubert	8	8	8	7	5	..	..	..	..	..	36
C. W. Bandy	8	7	9	9	9	..	..	..	..	..	42
George Garrison*	10	7	9	7	9	8	7	9	6	10	82
J. C. Wright	7	7	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	20
Fred Call	7	9	9	10	9	10	9	8	9	10	90
W. C. Smith	8	8	10	7	8	9	7	10	8	9	84
B. Martin	3	4	4	2	3	..	..	..	..	..	16
"Dok" Hager	5	5	4	7	5	..	..	..	..	..	26
D. Huntington	3	3	3	5	5	..	..	..	..	..	19
Dr. Sturgis	3	3	5	5	6	..	..	..	..	..	22
P. Gardiner	9	7	8	7	7	..	..	..	..	..	38
K. B. Lapp	3	2	6	7	7	..	..	..	..	..	25
A. J. Gerrard	6	5	7	9	6	..	..	..	..	..	33
A. L. Hall	3	6	7	9	8	..	..	..	..	..	33
Charles Godson	7	9	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	20
C. W. Cochran	2	4	5	6	5	..	..	..	..	..	22
W. B. Taft	5	8	8	8	6	8	9	8	9	7	76
Van M. Woodaman	10	8	8	8	5	..	..	..	..	..	39
Roy Harris	5	6	6	9	6	6	3	7	9	7	64
Dr. J. F. Hill	6	8	7	2	5	..	..	..	..	..	28
B. J. Perkinson	9	5	9	7	8	..	..	..	..	..	38
V. J. Kesner	2	9	6	6	5	..	..	..	..	..	28
H. E. Gleason	6	4	7	5	7	8	..	..	..	..	37
J. H. McDiarmid	7	7	6	10	7	..	..	..	..	..	37
Dr. King	10	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	15
Byers	..	..	..	..	..	5	6	6	4	2	23

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Coast Shooters Keeping Busy at Traps

Pacific Coast trap-shooting fans are eagerly awaiting the awarding of the two important fixtures of the season. The California-Nevada shoot will be placed tomorrow, if the directors of the association follow their announcement of reaching a decision by March 5th. So far San Jose and Vernon have made bids for the big events. O. N. Ford of the Garden City has been working industriously to secure the trap-shooting attraction and the scatter gun enthusiasts in the south have not been idle. The California-Nevada shoot will likely be staged in May or June and a large attendance is assured.

The Interstate Association has made no announcement as yet on where the Pacific Coast Handicap will be held. It is understood that Portland, Seattle and Spokane are in the field to hold the Coast fixture. This event will not likely be promoted until fall so there is no hurry to make the award. It is certain that one of the northwest cities will be favored for the handicap tournament was held in Southern California last season and it is only fair to switch it around so that shooters from all sections of the Coast will have an opportunity to get in the competition. For 1917 the Golden Gate club is lining up its forces to get the Pacific Coast Handicap.

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Bay View Club—No word has been received whether the Bay View Gun Club will shoot or not tomorrow. Perry A. Fox, the secretary, wrote Bill Price a couple of weeks ago that a start would be made on March 5th, but since then little has been heard from the Alameda shooters.

The Alameda Elks are booming things along with their new trap-shooting organization. Members are being enrolled right and left and plans have been completed for the big opening on the Golden Gate grounds on March 12th. They make up a bunch of boosters and should meet with a deal of success.

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San Jose Club—Editor, Breeder and Sportsman:—It rained the greater part of last Sunday but we had five blue rock tarhawks out andhad a nice 100 bird shoot. Mr. H. N. Rickelson of San Francisco, representative of the Winchester company, was with us and made himself proud by breaking 85 out of a 100. You are always welcome, Mr. Rickelson.

We will hold our first club shoot of the season on next Sunday, March 5th. I am looking for quite a turnout as the members have been anxious for weeks past to get out to the traps again.

Mr. George Anderson finished 500 tarhawks on Sunday and probably won the first American amateur trap shooters' medal in the United States, and easily the first one on the Pacific coast. He broke 415 out of 500. Well, George should be good for he has been at the trap game for 35 years. He is one of the oldest shots in point of years at the traps on the coast. And he can still show many youngsters how it is done.

The scores last Sunday were: O. N. Ford 97x100, C. H. Nash 90x100, G. H. Henderson 87x100, H. N. Nickelson 85x100, and A. B. Smith 83x100.

Yours respectfully,

O. N. Ford,

Manager and Sec'y San Jose Blue Rock Club.

San Jose, Feb. 29.

Guess the old Hammer is working in pretty good shape. The San Jose enthusiast was up to the Golden Gate club on Washington's Birthday and he returns home to duplicate the performance.

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Vernon Club Shoot.—Despite the cold and windy weather conditions, sixty followers of the clay pigeons breaking game turned out at the Vernon Gun Club Sunday to compete in the seventeenth fifty-bird handicap event for the W. H. Wilshire trophy. An initial leg was annexed by "Arizona" Barham, who recently arrived in the city from the wild and woolly state. He shot from eighteen yards, and squelched forty-eight birds with ease. His nearest competitors were many. Robinson, Voorhies, Dr. Packard, J. F. Dodds and Famechon each scored forty-seven out of fifty.

It certainly is remarkable the way some of the Vernon cracks are shooting lately. The easterners are bound to sit up and take notice when they hear that such shooters as Dr. Packard are breaking 94 per cent from twenty-one yards, and shooters like Frank Mellus, Heinie Pfirrmann and Stanton Bruner breaking 85 and 90 per cent from twenty-two yards, and last but not least, a shooter like Billy Wilshire, the Cline-Cline gun doctor, breaking eighty-six out of one hundred with a 20-gauge gun. Yes, the Vernonites are breaking the clays from all angles and from all distances.

Several of the shooters have come to the front with great rapidity. Bill Dougherty of the Hoegee company, L. D. Blanchard and Louis Mellus have become so accurate at shooting at the clay birds that the handicap committee held a hasty and secret meeting and have placed them back at the twenty-one-yard range, and still they continue to break birds.

The four silver loving cups were contested for on Sunday for the last time. Class shooting governed the scores in this competition. Stan Bruner won in class A, Fred Grewell of the Hoegee company in class B, C. E. Groat, president of the Vernon Gun Club, in Class C, and Mrs. Groat in Class D.

Mrs. Groat shoots nearly every Sunday and usually hangs up excellent scores . She broke "forty."

The scores:

Wilshire trophy event—

Shooter—	Hdcp.	Targ.	Bke.
Barham	18	50	48
Mullen	18	50	44
Tuckett	18	50	38
Dodds	20	50	47
Crossman	18	50	41
Al Peterson	16	50	28
A. Beryle	16	50	21
Dr. Davis	16	50	24
Van Nest	16	50	40
P. E. Peterson	17	50	42
Dierdoff	17	50	43
Famechon	18	50	47
S. A. Bruner	21	50	40
William Pugh	18	50	44
Grewell	19	50	44
Williams	18	50	42
William Dougherty	16	50	44
Manderville	16	50	42
Brauer	16	50	34
Foor	16	50	35
Harry Cline	17	50	40
L. D. Blanchard	21	50	45
C. E. Groat	16	50	43
S. R. Smith	18	50	40
Meek	18	50	44
Kunz	18	50	39
Frank Mellus	22	50	40
Robinson	16	50	47
Lou Mellus	21	50	40
Heinie Pfirrmann	16	50	39
Evans	18	50	44
Vorheis	16	50	47
Steve Fullerton	17	50	45
Holohan	21	50	42
Glover	16	50	39
Mrs. C. E. Groat	16	50	40
Council	16	50	43
Melford	17	50	46
Packard	21	50	47
George Cline	21	50	47
Rollinson	16	50	45

20-gauge contest—

E. C. Crossman, shot at50—broke 39; Pete Peterson 75—49, Wilshire 100—86, Hedderly 125—96, J. C. Cline 50—38, H. T. Brown 100—55.

Open event—

Kunz, shot at 100—broke 84; Frank Mellus 150—143, Robinson 75—57, Lou Mellus 133—150, Shadwell 23—50, Pfirrmann 175—167, Mrs. Pfirrmann 50—24, Evans 125—111, Vorheis 50—40, Steve Fullerton 75—62, Holohan 200—175, Glover 75—56, Mrs. Groat 50—42, J. C. Cline 25—25, Council 50—42, Melford 200—176, Persinger 25—17, White 75—68, George Cline 100—82, Daniels 25—21, Garrison 75—58, Werdin 75—45, Belor 50—40, Stafford 50—38, Tungate 50—40, Matriedl 50—44, Barham 225—206, Mullen 150—138, Tuckett 75—63, Dodds 150—142, Crossman 100—80, Al Peterson 75—37, A. Beryle 25—8, T. Beyrle 50—37, Dr. Davis 50—34, Van Nest 50—26, Pete Peterson 25—21, Dierdoff 50—44, Famechon 100—50, S. A. Bruner 150—142, William Pugh 75—58, Fred Grewell 100—88, Cotton 100—78, Williams 50—41, Bill Dougherty 100—92, Manderville 75—64, Meek 75—69, Brauer 50—34, T. P. Smith 75—62, Foor 50—35, Harry Cline 100—77, L. D. Blanchard 25—25, C. E. Groat 125—106, S. R. Smith 25—21.

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Pastime Club Shoot.—Fledgelings, simon pure amateurs, featured the "come-back" shoot of the Pastime Gun Club at Dirtbird Roost last Saturday afternoon.

Eddie Overland Davies led off for the tenderlings and tackled 100 tarhawks, smashing 72 in approved style.

Bryan O'Rourke of Tammany Town also received his first degree as a wingshot. Bryan's right shoulder had a tough time getting acquainted with fun on the firing line. But the Irish like a scrap and Bryan fought it out in true Shamrock style, winning a 50 per cent score.

Which brings this sermon to the place where Nick Walters of Denver is introduced. When Nick showed up he didn't think he'd shoot—but he did. He rambled out to the firing line and blazed and blazed, quaffing with delight the joy bestowed by the Great Matted Rib. Nick busted 71 — pretty good for a novice!

Bob Walsh was high gun with 93, pointing in fine form. Tom Parry slipped into the charmed circle with 91, Tom Parker broke 85 and issued a challenge to any "oldest' 'trapshot on earth. Tom is 72. "Hip" Justins, the old time Remington "pro," hung up 55x60, whereat Martines Chick, once champion wingshot of the world, scolded "Hip" for letting five get away.

The score:

Bob Walsh, shot at 100—broke 93; Tom Parry 100—91, Tom Parker 100—85, "Overland" Davies 100—82, Nick Walters 100—71, Bryan O'Rourke 100—50, F. Knever 100—50, S. Andrews 60—50, "Hip" Justins 60—55, Drummond 20—18.

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Santa Ana Club—The Santa Ana Blue Rock Club was organized Wednesday evening of last week. The meeting was held at Hawley's gun store beginning at 7:30, and a large number of sportsmen gathered to become members of the club and take part in the weekly shoots.

A. Slaback is the prime mover in the organization, and reports great interest manifested during the past two Sunday afternoons on West Fifth street, at the city limits, where the shoots are held.

There were twenty-three participants in the shoot last Sunday, and 1000 blue rocks were given the bye-bye. Slaback and F. D. Leonard were highest with 18 out of 25, Leonard having fallen off two from the previous shoot.

Considerable interest is being manifested in the club, and it will likely have a very successful season..

Portland Gun Club.—Frank Van Atta was high man at the traps Sunday, Feb. 20, with 91 per cent. He also made high score in the Imperial Hotel diamond trophy match.

Scores on the Imperial Hotel diamond medal:—Al Seguin 16, Abner Blair 17, H. R. Everding 21, H. A. Pollock 16, A. W. Strowger 19,W. C. Bristol, with 20-gauge gun, 11; E. H. Keller 19, A. L. Zachrisson 23, J. C. Morris 19, Frank Van Atta 23, R. A. Tyler 19, Mrs. Ada Schilling 16, Miss Gladys Reid 11, C. C. Kelly 17.

The team shoot results among members of the Portland Gun Club—Miss Gladys Reed (captain) 12, E. B. Morris 21, J. C. Morris 19, E. C. Feller 23, H. R. Everding 23, A. W. Strowger 23, R. A. Tyler 16, total, 137. Mrs. Ada Schilling (captain) 24, C. J. Schilling 21, P. J. Holohan 25, J. P. Bull 19, W. C. Bristol, with 20-gauge gun, 11; D. Reed 22, H. A. Pollock 20; total, 142.

Regular practice scores: Mrs. W. A. Shaver, 50 per cent; D. F. Allen 76, James Reid 74, Al Seguin 71, Abner Blair 81, W. C. Bristol (with 20-gauge gun) 47, H. R. Everding 64, H. A. Pollock 66, E. B. Morris 74, A. W. Strowger 75, J. C. Morris 73, E. B. Van Arnam 79, E. H. Keller 75, J. P. Bull 81, P. J. Holohan 88, A. L. Zachrisson 50, Frank Van Atta 91, C. E. Feller 72, F. O. Joy 48, C. J. Schilling 82, D. Reed 75, R. A. Tyler 78, H. W. Robare 31, Mrs. Ada Schilling 75, Miss Gladys Reed 54, Mrs. E. H. Keller 45, B. E. Leonard 55, and C. C. Kelly 80.

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Big Time Gun Club.—Members of the Big Time Gun Club started on the work of preparing the grounds at the Schenk ranch in Fruit Ridge for the opening of the season next March, last Sunday morning. Many of the members turned out in their old clothes and put in the day working on the grounds and traps. Later on the grounds will be plowed.

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Tacoma Gun Club.—Opening the season of 1916 with a large field, the Tacoma Gun Club on Feb. 19th staged its initial shoot upon its range at Manitou Park. Not only was there a good field of amateurs to take part in the competition, but the professionals were well represented in their class.

McKelvey of Seattle was the high gun among the amateurs, while Van Eisenbies and Ml. Riehl were tied for second. McKelvey broke 93 out of 100 clay birds, while Eisenbies and Riehl broke 92 each.

Frank Riehl, the Tacoma professional, was the high gun among the pros., breaking 98 out of a possible 100, Reid of Seattle being second. The next shoot of the club will be held March 5, when the rounds of handicap shooting for the Mellinger gold medal will be inaugurated. Scores:

Professionals—Riehl 98, Hambright 97, Reid 94, Poston 93, Holohan 92, Fisher 87, Rhodes 84.

Amateurs—McKelvey 93, Eisenbies 92, A. Riehl 92, J. Cooper 90, Fleming 89, Griffin 89, Berens 85, Jensen 85, Coon 84, Aubrey 84, Railinger 82, Turnbull 81, Taft 81, L. Riehl 80, Brady 80, Dague 79, Campbell 79, Smith 79, T. Cooper 78, McAleer 77, Bales 74, Young 74, Baker 73, Hopkins 72, Holmes 68, Edwards 68, Vanderkinter 64, Mellinger 57, Gilchrist 57, Hendricks 48.

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Salt Lake Club.—The weather man made a horrible mess of things for the State Association shoot, which was held under the auspices of the Salt Lake Gun Club, on Washington's Birthday. However, there were twenty marksmen present.

Many of the scores made would be very creditable on a day when the conditions for shooting were much more favorable, and the race for the places of honor was very keen in both the professional and amateur classes.

L. A. Cummings won the high general average by breaking 140x150; he had nothing to spare, however, as Hood and Morgan were both on the job, breaking 144 and 143, respectively.

A. R. Bain headed class B by registering 129 breaks and leading J. F. and Asher Cowan, who were tied for second place by two targets. Sam Parr of the Bingham club set the pace in Class C by scoring 124x150, and carried off the second honors in this class.

The Lewis class system of handicapping was used, with two moneys in each class. This system has been adopted by the association for all of the one-day tournamentes, as it gives all of the contestants an equal chance to participate in the prizes.

The next shoot of the association will be held in Ogden on March 17, and if favored with good weather a large attendance is expected as the interest in the sport of trapshooting has increased a great deal throughout the state in the last year.

The following are the complete scores for the day. At 150 targets(with scores and classification)—

Class P—Cummings 145, Hood 144, Morgan 143, Anderson 131.

Class A—Reilley 142, Becker 138, Cook 138, Riter 136, Siddoway 126.

Class B—Bain 129, J. F. Cowan 127, Asher Cowan 127, Nelson 126, Luff 126.

Class C—Parr 124, Williams 124, Hays 122, Weightmann 110, Evans 96.

SOCIETY IN CHASE AFTER HARES.

Society swung out with mighty stride on Sunday in its first hare hunt afoot and all the countryside heard the baying of its beagles.

"To hounds! To hunds!" The cry went over the rolling hills, in and out the oaks, up and down—and society, a hundred strong behind the keen, swift canines, bagged one lone hare, or jackrabbit, as the day's net result. A great day's sport was had, however, and the beagles, brought over from the East by Mrs. C. Frederick Kohl, have undoubtedly come to stay. By the same token, this ancient and honorable sport, old to Europe and to the smart hunt clubs of the Atlantic seaboard, won its place alongside polo in the aristocracy of sports on the San Mateo peninsula.

Mrs. Kohl, organizer of the club, was mistress of the beagles and superintended the start of the hunt from the oak-covered lawn of her beautiful home at Easton. She picturesquely dressed the part with a costume the striking outdoor note in which was a [illegible] corduroy skirt.

Following the pack of dogs, which were in charge of a professional huntsman, came the whips—J. Cheever Chowdin, Francis J. Carolan, Charles Templeton Crocker and Harry Hastings. They wore a special hunting garb, consisting of black velvet hunting caps and coats, white corduroy trousers and leggings.

With a "ta-te-ta" from the horns and a mighty shout from the hundred followers, the beagles swung out over the Burlingame foothills at 3 o'clock. In about twenty minutes they crossed the first scent of the hares. The beagles set up the cry. After them came Mrs. Kohl and the whips and, following them, all "the field" of 100 or more. For a quarter of a mile the chase was hot. It was then discovered that the dogs were too fast for the field, and the professional huntsman blew his horn, calling the baying beagles back.

The hunt continued, some of those to whom the pace was too swift turning back.

Several scents were struck, with the same result—the huntsman called the beagles back—until just before sundown blinked over the hills, they came in sight of Prince Poniatowski's home and got their first and only hare.

The chase was swifter than ever to the finish, but they got him.

Dark came on and the beagles became separated. A vigorous hunt then started, not for hares but for hounds, and before they gave up for the night, all but two of the fourteen beagles had been recovered.

WOODCOCK'S FUTURE RESTS WITH SPORTSMEN.

Of late years much interest has centered around the efforts of the friends of the woodcock to obtain better laws for its protection and to educate the public to understand what a crime against nature and sportsmanship has constantly been committed in the hunting of this, one of North America's finest game birds. The habits of the woodcock are such that if given reasonable protection it will thrive and continue to be common even in a thickly settled country.

It nests on waste ground unfit for agricultural purposes and requires, as an inducement to remain through the summer, only a few square rods of soft dirt which can easily be probed by its long, sharp bill. With a wide breeding range in the Eastern States and southern Canada, but almost entirely limited to the United States, its future rests almost altogether with the sportsmen of our own country.

Formerly the woodcock was abundant throughout this whole area of a million square miles, and large bags were expected each year by the army of sportsmen who looked forward to the woodcock season as the climax of the year. Now its thousands have become hundreds, and even the most ardent woodcock hunters are seriously considering the advisability of the prohibition of all woodcock shooting for a series of years until the bird shall have recuperated from its merciless persecution.

This near extinction has been brought about by three agencies—winter storms, spring shooting and summer shooting. The woodcock winters in the Gulf States, and as far north as it can find unfrozen ground. Hence a very large percentage of the birds remain each winter in a zone of hazard, where at any time they are liable to be caught by an unusually severe freeze and brought to the verge of starvation. Scant mercy has been shown them by man at such times. For instance, one report states:

"A cold wave, accompanied by a gale, struck the coast of South Carolina on the morning of December 27, 1882, * * * and thousands of woodcock were shot in the village of Mount Pleasant. They were everywhere—in the yards, stables, streets and even plazas. Every one was out after the birds and every one had a bag full to overflowing. On that day alone fully 2,000 were killed. On December 28 they were so abundant that every clump of bushes contained ten to fifteen birds. One man killed 58 without moving from his 'stand' except to pick up the birds he killed. The flight lasted six days."

A still worse calamity overtook the woodcock on the coast of South Carolina in 1899, when, on February 14, the temperature dropped to 26 degrees Fahrenheit below freezing—almost zero weather. The woodcock arrived in countless thousands.

They were everywhere and were completely bewildered. Tens of thousands were killed by would-be sportsmen and thousands were frozen to death. The great majority were so emaciated that they were practically all feathers, and of course were unable to withstand the cold. One man killed 200 pairs in a few hours.

Even with the best of protection, it would take many years for the woodcock of that district to recover from such a catastrophe.

The woodcock not only winters as far north as it can but is the earliest spring migrant of the whole shore bird group, arriving in the latitude of New York City by the middle of March and reaching southern Canada by the end of that month.

This is, of course, before the leaves appear, and the ease with which the birds can then be seen makes this the favorite woodcock season of the pothunter. But in the whole year no season more destructive to the woodcock could be chosen. It migrates early because it wishes to nest early; indeed, in Louisiana some of the birds are so anxious to start their housekeeping betimes that they lay their eggs in December.

Throughout that part of the range north of the winter home egg dates are so early as to make it certain that the birds are already mated when they arrive at the nesting grounds. Under such circumstances it is plain that spring shooting of woodcock is little less than barbarous.

But the pothunter is not willing to allow even the few young that may be raised a chance to grow to their full size and reach the condition in which they will afford real sport to a true sportsman. Hunters have been in the habit of beating the thicket for young birds only half to three-quarters grown, and the July massacre of these immature and easily taken fledglings was the final stroke in the series of disasters which has brought this fine game bird to the verge of extinction.

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Dog, Costing $4, Wins Highest Honors

BIG SURPRISE IN WESTMINSTER SHOW

At the Westminster show that closed in New York on February 25th there were over eighteen hundred dogs benched. Practically every known breed of dogs in the world was on exhibition. Many famous English kennels were represented. Holland Buckley, the English terrier expert, and owner of the Clomel kennels, intended to bring a string across to exhibit, but owing to the present conditions in England was unable to attend.

Many famous champions and near champions went down to defeat. The most noted dog to go down was the recently imported wire-fox terrier, Wycollar Boy, brought over by Andrew Albright expressly for the Westminster show. He was defeated by his famous sire, Wire Boy, of Paington, probably the best wire fox terrier living.

The most sensational win in the show was when Vickery Amen Gem, an Airedale terrier, was declared to be the best of her breed. She was bought in a London dog pound for about $4. Her owner trimmed her shaggy coat and got her in show condition and she won for the first time in the show. Since then she has been shown many times and has as yet to meet defeat.

W. Ross Proctor's famous brace of Sealyham terriers, Ivo Carodoc and Jessima, won everything offered. La France Model, a French bulldog costing $500, defeated Ch. Dr. De Lux, a $2,500 dog. De Lux was considered at the Hotel Astor show two years ago to be as near perfect as possible.

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The California Airedale Club, at its annual meeting last week, decided to promote a Futurity or Produce Stake for Airedale puppies, to which the club will add $400 or $500. All the entry fees will also go into the stake and liberal prizes will be awarded to the puppies of each sex winning the first four places.

It is proposed to have the first specialty show in the fall, but the first big stake may be made a 1917 event so that the breeders may have a chance to arrange their matings. It is expected that the rich prizes will call out a large entry and the class of pups will undoubtedly be high.

The following officers were elected for the coming twelve months: President, J. A. Folger; vice-president, A. J. Molera; secretary-treasurer, Nat T. Messer.

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Arman Decoutieux is planning to send his prize winner, Gaylight, to the Seattle show, which is to be held during the last week of March. Gaylight is in trim now and his owner expects him to repeat his triumphs of 1915 in the coming show season.

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Bob Iowland is mourning the loss of his Scottish terrier, Dandreggan Dinna Ken, which was killed by an automobile a week ago. Nowland will shortly move to a country place where he expects to establish a kennel of dogs of his favorite breed.

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Alex Stewart of Chicago, owner of the great Airedale Champion Abbey King Nobbler, has a new importation. The dog is Judicious Censor, said to be the longest headed dog in the country and an all-around good one, purchased recently in England by the Chicago fancier.

Mr. G. S. Paseman, Portland, Oregon, has moved to Missoula, Mont. Mr. Paseman reports a splendid litter of nine puppies out of his imported and winning bitch, Barkerend Yvonne (Barkerend Ruler ex Worthington Vena) by Ch. His Highness, all richly colored.

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Sealyhams are going stronger than ever in England, and a number are predicting that they will pass all other breeds in the immediate future.

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Mr. R. M. Palmer, of Seattle, reports the loss of several of his litter by Tintern Desire, but has three left in which he is placing his hopes for future winners.

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Mr. Hassett, Arcadia, California, reports a litter of seven by El Collado Royalist ex El Collado Propper Girl.

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Mr. P. I. Osburn, Long Beach, California, reports a litter of nine out of his imported bitch, Colne Modesty, by Cr. His Highness.

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A new pack of Beagles is to be established in Pennsylvania, with Mr. Burrill Huff as master. Mr. Harry East, manager of polo at Piping Rock and Islip, Long Island, N. Y., is now in England, and has been cabled to purchase eight couple of first-class little hounds. Members of the Polo Club at Greensburg, Pa., will hunt with Mr. Huff's Beagles.

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It will surely be good news for all St. Bernardom to learn that Mr. William C. Reick, publisher of The Sun and Evening Sun, New York, contemplates having another fling at the beautiful, heroic and noble breed. He has just obtained two, if not three, bitches from the kennels of his friend, Col. Ruppert, and these have gone into the Reick kennels at Seabright, N. J. Mr. Reick was one of those Americans chiefly responsible for the well-to-be-remembered St. Bernard boom of the late '80's and early '90's.

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The biggest price paid in this country for a Cocker Spaniel for a long time was for the black Durbar, the Canadian champion. One thousand dollars was the figure. His new owner, is H. K. Bloodgood, of New York and New Marlboro', Mass. Durbar is a leggier Cocker than the great majority of the winning Spaniels of his kind on this continent. It therefore appears there is an inclination to approach the style of the English Cocker, which is altogether the more workmanlike in build.

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Kennel Editor, Breeder and Sportsman: Mr. F. W. Wilds, the well known breeder of American bull terriers, has been extending his business recently in quite a gratifying manner. He has just shipped a six months old dog, the progeny of Black Joe out of Nigger Topsy, to T. K. Harris of Canton, Ohio, and has received an order for a three months old bitch from W. H. D. Vose of Lawrence, Mass. Mr. Wilds is naturally much pleased with the widespread reputation his dogs are attaining. He reports that his sales locally have been very good indeed during the past winter. Very truly,

Calgary, Alberta. W. N. GIBSON, Secretary

MIGRATORY BIRD LAW CONTINUES IN FORCE.

Washington, D. C.—A misleading statement has recently become current in newspapers of the Mississippi Valley and elsewhere, to the effect that the Department of Agriculture has suspended the enforcement of the Federal regulations under the Migratory Bird Law and by this means has enabled sportsmen, under State laws, to shoot wild fowl the coming spring.

Under the Federal regulations as they now stand, the season on all migratory wild fowl is closed until next autumn throughout the United States. Federal inspectors and wardens are required, and others interested in the protection of wild fowl are requested, to report to the Department of Agriculture all cases of violations of the regulations, in order that proper action may be taken.

The Department of Agriculture has no power to suspend the law or to pardon violations of the regulations. Doubtless the erroneous impression, on which the newspaper statements are based, has grown out of the pendency of litigation involving the constitutionality of the Act of Congress approved March 4, 1914, under which the regulations were promulgated. The lower Federal courts disagreed as to the validity of the statute and the issue was carried to the Supreme Court of the United States. The case was argued in the Supreme Court in October, 1915, but has not been decided.

Following the lower court decision, Congress appropriated money for the purpose of continuing the enforcement of the law. The Department of Agriculture is bound to report to the Department of Justice violations of the regulations if the Supreme Court should declare the law constitutional. All persons should, therefore, be warned of the danger they incur from failure to abide by the regulations.

THE FARM

LECTURES ON THE CITY MAN'S CHANCE IN AGRICULTURE.

How many city-dwellers there are who want to go to farming is evidenced by the fact that more than 450 have enrolled for the free lectures which are to be given in San Francisco at 8 o'clock every Tuesday evening until May 2, by speakers from the College of Agriculture of the University of Agriculture of the University of California, on "The City Man's Chances in Agriculture." These lectures are given under the auspices of the University and of the San Francisco Y. M. C. A., at the Y. M. C. A. Auditorium, Golden Gate avenue and Leavenworth street, San Francisco. Four-fifths of those enrolled are men. The great majority are between the ages of twenty-five and thirty-five.

The lectures to be given Tuesday evenings in March, April and May, will be as follows:

March 7, "The Poultry Business: What Chance is there for the City Man in the Business of Poultry Raising?—Egg Production." Professor J. E. Dougherty of the Poultry Division.

March 14, "The Dairy Industry," by Mr. V. C. Bryant, Extension Division.

March 21, "The Swine Industry," Mr. V. C. Bryant, of the Extension Division.

March 28, "Alfalfa: Production and Handling of this Forage Crop for Profit." Professor W. T. Clarke, of the Extension Division.

April 4, "Almond and Walnut Production," Professor R. H. Taylor of the Pomology Division.

April 11, "Apple and Pear Production," Mr. A. H. Hendrickson, or Professor A. V. Stubenrauch, of the Pomology Division.

April 18, "Stone Fruit Production: What Chance is there for the City Man in the Production of Cherries, Peaches, Apricots, Plums, Prunes, etc.?" Mr. A. H. Hendrickson, or Professor A. V. Stubenrauch, of the Pomology Division.

April 25, "Orchard Protection: Some of the Battles the City Man Going in for Agriculture will have to Wage," Professor Thomas Francis Hunt, of the Extension Division.

May 2, "Social Relations: Relation of Permanent Agriculture to the Social Welfare." Dr. Thomas Forsyth Hunt, Dean of the College of Agriculture of the University of California, and Director of the Experiment Station.

THE LIFE OF THE COLLEGE TEACHER.

Sometimes the lot of a college teacher, especially the young assistant professor, is considered a sad one. He is represented as a poorly paid pedagogue with shiny clothes.

Over in the Sacramento Valley a Berkeley business man has a ranch. The tenant went on this ranch thirteen years ago, with $75. The other day he died, leaving his widow worth $50,000. This Berkeley business man was looking for a tenant. He estimates the tenant's income would be from $4,000 to ..6,000 a year, and he would guarantee him $2,500 a year besides his home.

This Berkeley business man is very much committed to scientific agriculture, and has a rather good knowledge of men. So he got in touch with four promising men among the younger element of the faculty of the College of Agriculture of the Uniersity of California. Each was approached with his proposition. Each declined.

Commenting on the fact, the Berkeley business man said the men were too loyal to their work.

Evidently the life of a college professor in the University of California has its compensations.

FEEDING EXPERIMENT WITH AMBS TESTS ALFLALFA MEAL, COCOANUT, BARLEY.

An experiment in feeding lambs recenly completed at the University Farm, in which barley, cottonseed meal, and cocoanut meal were fed by the University of California to three different lots, in combination with alfalfa hay, and cocoanut meal found cheapest of the three, while of the two other lots one had a commercial mixture of alfalfa meal and molasses and the other the same with barley in addition. Before going into the feed lots the 125 head of lambs ran for thirty-five days on 125 acres of barley stubble, gaining almost one-third of a pound a head per day, thus paying for the stubble at the rate of 81 cents per acre.

The results of the corral feeding show that for the character of the lambs fed (that is, half fat at the beginning of the experiment), the commercial feed did not give economical gains at the price paid of $18 a ton. Cocoanut meal at $24 per ton gave chaeper gain than cottonseed meal at $35 or barley at $22.

The lambs were sold for 8½ cents a pound at auction at the Panama-Pacific Live Stock Show.

WAYS OF FATTENING LAMBS.

Tested at University Farm.

The University of California has recently completed a six-weeks test at the University Farm in fattening 249 lambs for market. The results indicate that silage, whether made of Indian corn, dwarf milo, or sorghum, can be economically used in a ration which includes barley and alfalfa hay.

Fifty lambs fed on alfalfa hay alone made a daily gain of less than one-fifth of a pound each, yet these lambs ate twice as much alfalfa hay as lambs which were given also barley or silage. Both the latter methods resulted in a daily gain of a third of a pound. The silage-fed lambs ate about the same amount of hay as the barley-fed lambs, but considerably less grain.

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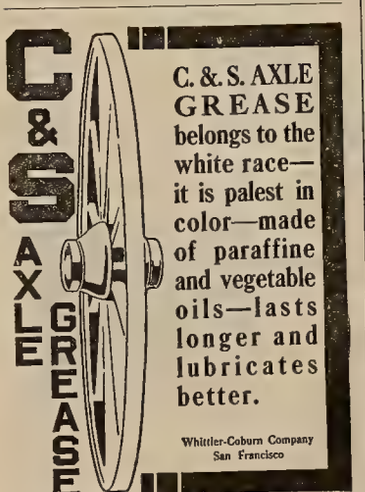
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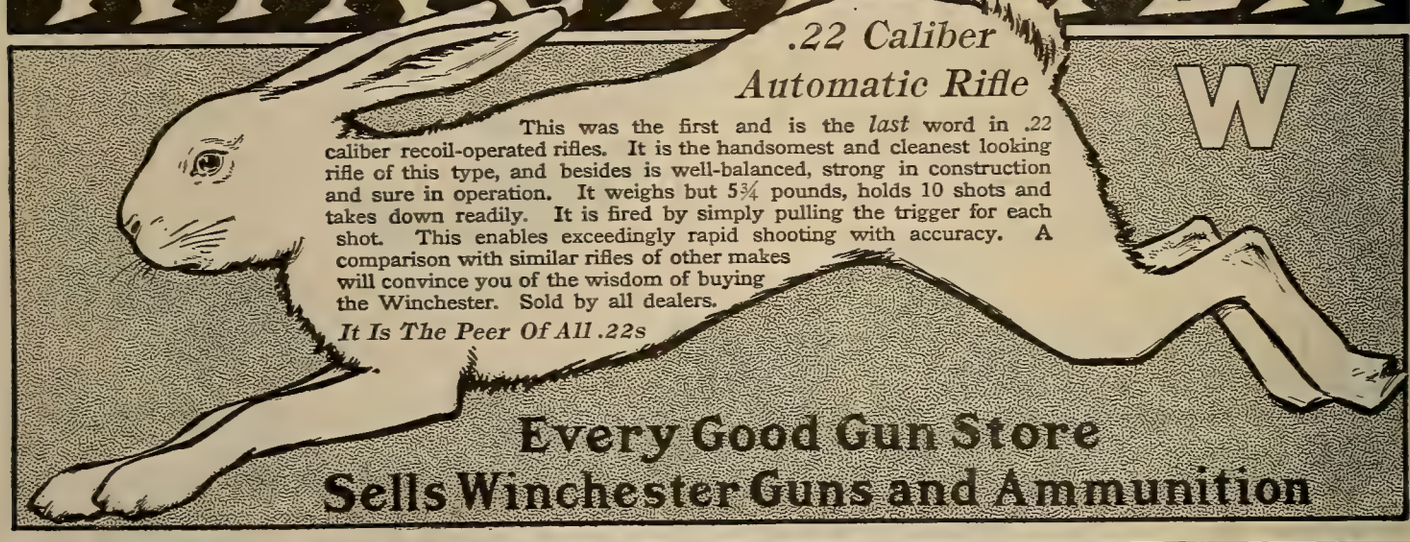
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SUSPENDED OWNER BENEFICIARY OF NEW N. T. A. RULE.

Nearly a year and a half ago the Breeder and Sportsman took up the matter of the propriety of having Section 5, Rule 3, changed to allow a suspended owner to be made more directly a beneficiary of the working of the rule rather than the horse alone, the following comment appearing in our columns at that time:

Of all the numerous new rules of the National Trotting Association for 1914-1915—most of which have been the subjects of considerable discussion both in and out of print—there is one that is "open to argument" that so far has escaped much notice, Rule 3, Section 5, which reads as follows: "If in the opinion of the Secretary of the National Trotting Association the circumstances surrounding a case of suspension for non-payment of entrance fees warrant it, he may issue a permit for such horse allowing it to compete in races. The permit shall provide that fifteen per cent of the gross winnings shall be withheld and sent by the member to the National Trotting Association to be applied pro rata on the suspensions, and the amount collected shall be endorsed on the back of the permit. The National Trotting Association may withdraw the permit at any time."

The placing of this rule upon the records of the association was effected in an effort to alleviate the hardships imposed upon a horse under a suspension surrounded by conditions showing that failure to start or pay entrance fee was due to circumstances beyond ordinary control, making the starting of the horse a physical impossibility owing to his or her own condition, or making the payment of entries an untoward hardship upon the owner from conditions arising from no fault of his own, and an obligation which he might be given, without injustice to anyone, a chance to work out; provide an earning capacity for suspended horses, under a new ownership, that would lead to a full reinstatement, and to increas the number of eligible horses in order to provide better fields for contests. Recent correspondence with Secretary Gocher elicits the information that to date the rule has not been far reaching in its effect, a matter which the writer ascribes to an insufficient knowledge and understanding of the same on the part of horsemen in general, and to the belief that the rule, as it stands, falls short of accomplishing the purpose for which it was intended by the mere fact that it confines its clemencies solely to the horse. No provision whatsoever is made for the owner or driver coupled with the horse in the suspension, and it is not the purpose of the rule for any suspended person to profit by its application, pending the complete removal of the suspension by the installment earning capacities of the horse.

Note the language of the text of the rule in this passage: "If in the opinion of the Secretary of the National Trotting Association the circumstances surrounding a case of suspension warrant it," etc. Such extenuating circumstances must of necessity be confined to a comparatively slight range, and must be of a nature where "extenuating" qualities are unassailable, and whose proof is beyond doubt. If, then, these satisfactory proofs are made and in the opinion of the secretary of the parent association the horse is entitled to clemency, why not go the one step further that would make the rule accomplish the further purpose and provide the person suspended with a chance to "work out his salvation"? Aside from the matter of a permit issued to a bona fide innocent purchaser whose pocketbook would not allow a lump payment of any considerable amount before starting his campaign, but who is able and willing to pay out in installments from his winnings, the only circumstances that would be a solid basis for the issue of a permit of this kind to a horse would of necessity, at least in the eyes of the writer, be of a nature that would justify the extension of the same proportionate amnesty to the person coupled in the suspension.

There are always a certain number of persons under suspension from circumstances which, fully displayed, would absolve them from any blame for their suspension, and prove that the starting of the horse or horses or the payment of entry or entries were physical and financial impossibilities. Some of these men, in hard straits at the time of suspension and unable to pay themselves out, find their occupation gone; the secretaries lost an entrant who under any ordinary circumstances is good for his fees, and the public watches race upon race whose field is deprived of perhaps the one horse and trainer whose performances would have brought them to their feet with a cheer.

The owner who, under the new rule, finds himself and his horse suspended under circumstances entitling the horse to a starting permit, is no better off than before. The permit is of no use so long as the horse remains his property, and to win himself out by horseflesh he must sell at a sacrifice and take a chance on the new owner clearing the suspension. In the meantime he has no earning capacity in his profession, his other horses must be sold or carried over to the problematic day of his delivery at another's hands. Under forced sale his horses may not net enough to pay him out and give him another start, or he may be one of hundreds of horsemen of very moderate circumstances who have pinned their faith to the one favorite of promise. Would not the man of honest intentions (and to none others could the rule ever be made applicable under the spirit of its conception) be more than willing to pay 15 per cent of his gross winnings from each and every race he makes with every member of his stable until the debt is cleared in order to stay in his profession and right himself with the world?

No clemency is permissible in suspensions for nonpayment of entrance where bona fide circumstances of a completely exonerating nature cannot be indubitably established, but a ruling giving owners who are the victims of such misfortunes a chance to pay themselves out as they go would do much to give new impetus to the breeding and training of the harness horse.

While none of our contemporaries saw fit to join in with us in an effort to secure the change in the rule suggested as desirable, it is pleasing to note that at the last meeting the N. T. A. has worked this particular section over to a point at which it becomes, in our estimation, much more acceptable both to horsemen and to the associations scattered broadcast throughout the land. As it will appear in the book of rules which will govern harness racing on the tracks of members of the N. T. A. for the seasons of 1916-1917, the rule will read as follows:

> If in the opinion of the Secretary of the National Trotting Association the circumstances surrounding a case of suspension for non-payment of entrance fees warrants it, he may issue a permit for such person and horse to compete in races. The permit shall provide that the net winnings, unless they exceed the amount of the suspension and if they do enough to pay the same, shall be withheld and sent by the member to the National Trotting Association to the applied pro rata on the suspensions, and the amount so collected shall be endorsed on the back of the permit. The National Trotting Association may withdraw the permit at any time.

While very many horses under suspension were allowed to start in races in 1914-1915 under the workings of the old rule, it did not prove highly satisfactory in a number of important respects. The important defect pointed out in our first comments upon it worked against its fullest success to a large degree, and at fifteen per cent the matter of working out a suspension was a "mighty slow way of serving the Lord," as well as one that gave rise to a great many arguments and misunderstandings, and caused secretaries and clerks to mislay their natural pleasand sunny dispositions and melt down a collar an hour sooner than should have been the case under ordinary circumstances. As the rule now reads a man and horse racing on a permit should pay themselves out very shortly if they are any good at all, as the amount of suspensions would hardly pile up to the extent usual under the old system, and every horse raced by the party holding a permit is working all the time to get the owner in the clear.

While there may be some hostility to the rule as it now stands, it is evident that when fully understood and fairly taken advantage of it will become of great assistance to all parties connected with harness racing. Owners will not find themselves in such hard straits as the result of adverse luck to a few members of their stables, fewer horses will be prevented from racing owing to suspensions hanging over them, a suspended owner has an excellent chance to work himself out, and there will be fewer "dead" or compromised suspensions on the books of the various associations, while at the same time no burdensome clerical work will be imposed upon secretaries and their assistants. All in all, we are inclined to view the new rule as one of the most important and far reaching changes to be put in effect this season.

THE PROGRAM AT VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, B. C., March 1, 1916.

Breeder and Sportsman:

Early in February at the meeting of the representatives of the North Pacific Fair Association in Seattle the dates of August 12-17 were assigned to the Vancouver Exhibition, making it the first event of importance of its kind in the northwest for the year. The race committee of the association met here yesterday and after a pretty thorough review of all the conditions in this section which have a direct bearing upon the success or failure of fairs and race meetings decided to offer a few hundred dollars more in purse money this season than was the case last year, a course which we believe will be appreciated very much by horsemen campaigning in this part of the country. The program as arranged by the committee, the early closers to close June first and the balance later in the summer, is as follows:

OPEN TO ALL COMERS

2:12 trot, early closing, $500; 2:18 trot,$500; 2:25 trot, early closing, $700; 2:30 trot, $300; 2:05 trot, or 2:10 pace, early closing, $500; 2:15 pace, early closing, $700; 2:18 pace, $500; 2:20 pace, $500; 2:25 pace, early closing, $500; 2:30 pace, $300.

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2:24 trot, $200; 2:15 pace, $200; three-year-old trot, $200; three-year-old pace, $200; amateur trot, to be open only to horses, the property of members of some duly recognized amateur association in B. C. and which have competed in at least three matinees during the season, $150; amateur pace, same conditions, $150.

There are not a great number of horses in training in this vicinity this season. Mr. Loomis has five head at Minoru, including Prince Malone 2:29¼, by Kinney Lou 2:07¾ and regarded as a 2:10 pacer; Myrtha Pointer, a green pacer by Star Pointer, also regarded as very fast; Red Squirrel, three-year-old pacer by Bland S. 2:03¼, dam Chipmunk by Lecco; Frank D. Nicholl 2:20½, winrace 2:24¼, by Cresceus 2:02¼, and two others.

Mr. Lewis has recently arrived from the Prairies with twelve head, mostly colts. He has, I am informed, two record horses, both pacers, one with a record of 2:10¼, the other with a record of 2:14¼. I have not been able to ascertain anything definite about them.

Mr. McCullough has a good five-year-old trotting filly by Walter Barker that he is going to place in Mr. Loomis's hands this year. This filly looks like a real trotter. Mr. Alex Miller contemplates taking his good horse Bonaday 2:11¼, and Greco McKinney, a good trotting son of Greco B., to Edmonton shortly. T. A. Morris has a three-year-old pacer by Bland S., dam Nellie Wilkes 2:16¼, grandam the dam of William 1:58½, of which he is very proud. The little fellow did not do much last year owing to an accident which caused him to be turned out in the early summer but he is regarded as having lots of lick.

W. C. BROWN.

A MATTER OF REGRET.

Robert S. Strader of Lexington has asked to be released from numerous engagements as presiding judge for the coming season owing to the demands made upon his time through taking over the management of Stoughton Fletcher's recent acquisition, Peter the Great. This is the only objectionable feature that has resulted from the transaction involving title to the great son of Pilot Medium, as we have always had a little idea of our own that there were too few presiding judges of the Strader stamp. However, it's an ill wind, etc. (Vance Nuchols et al, please note).

The Dam of Julia M.

A SIMPLE CASE OF MISTAKEN IDENTITY

Some weeks ago, in the issue of the Breeder and Sportsman for December 18 to be exact, there appeared in our "Notes and News" department the following innocent appearing little item concerning a most excellent new performer of the season last passed:

Julia M. (2) 2:13¾, her record made in the third heat of the junior pacing division of the Pleasanton futurity (a race which, by the way, she seemed amply capable of winning had it been raced "to a finish" on the old system) is the first performer to be credited to the seven-year-old stallion El Angelo 57039 by The Angelus 2:10¼, the latter horse being a son of Zombro 2:11 and the fast trotting mare Hazel Kinney 2:09¼ by McKinney 2:11¼. El Angelo was bred by T. W. Barstow of San Jose, passing eventually to D. W. Wallis of Los Banos and at present owned by Miller & Lux; his dam is Maud Jay C. by Nearest 2:22½ and out of Fanny Menlo by Menlo 2:12½, a son of Nutwood, Maud Jay C. being the dam of the trotter and speed sire Nearest McKinney 2:13¼. Through her dam Julia M. inherits a sturdy line of speed crosses, being out of Record Searcher by Searchlight 2:03¼, grandam Zeta Carter (dam of Chestnut Tom 2:17¼, etc.) by Director 2:17, third dam Lida W. 2:18¼ (dam of four, including Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½) by Nutwood 2:18¾, fourth dam Belle by Geo. M. Patchen Jr. 31, etc. This is certainly a husky combination of the families that have made California famous in the trotting world, and Julia M. will do to remember next season. She was trained and raced by Dave Allen of Newman and is still owned by her breeder, D. W. Wallis of Los Banos.

The information given above concerning the dam of Julia M. was correct to the best of the writer's knowledge and belief at the time and was in accord with the entry blanks upon which the nominations of the dam of Julia M. had been made in the local futurities from 1911 to the time of her death from poisoning in 1913. No question had ever arisen as to the correctness of the pedigree as given by Mr. Wallis and we were therefore considerably surprised to receive a letter early in January, from which the following excerpts are presented:

Chilliwack, B. C., Jan. 12, 1916.

Editor Breeder and Sportsman:

I have your favor of Dec. 23 for which accept my sincere thanks; also marked copy of Dec 18 giving full breeding of the good filly Julia M. which is absolutely correct on her dam's side, but very much out on the sire, as El Angelo is not the sire of Julia M. Now, Mr. Editor, we have here a very unfortunate and I think a most serious misrepresentation of the breeding of Julia M. as this filly's sire is Oro Willis Jr. 46743, obtained his record as Oro Wilkes Jr., record 2:12¾ trotting, and is by Oro Wilkes 30347, record 2:11. Oro Willis Jr. should have been Oro Wilkes Jr. 2:12¾ but was not registered until after his record of 2:12¾ at four years of age. When registration was applied for there was another of that name registered, thus the above explanation.

Here are a few facts regarding that filly Julia M.: The writer owned her dam, namely Record Searcher, for three years and sold her in the year 1913, April. She foaled this filly Julia M. in August of same summer. I also owned half interest in Oro Wilkes Jr. 2:12¾ and still have him here in Chilliwack, having won the Grand Champion and Sweepstakes for best stallion of any breeding on the grounds this year, and he will be fifteen years of age in April, having been foaled at Mt. Kisco, N. Y., April, 1901. Now this mare Record Searcher was bred to Oro Wilkes (or Willis) Jr. in September, 1912, in my own stables, handled by Mr. Clark Knowles, who was caretaker of the horse at that time and who is easily available and most reliable—is now a veterinary surgeon.

Now, Record Searcher was on my farm here for two years, namely 1911—1912, was bred to Oro Wilkes in 1912, foaled Julia M. the summer of 1913, who is now two years old. Record Searcher passed from me to John Graves of Vancouver in April, 1913, with whom she had this colt, he having sold mare and foal to parties who took her south. I might just add that we had considerable trouble getting this mare to breed, and had the writer thought she was in foal, Julia M. would not be in California now. I tried every possible way to get her back before Graves sold her but he would not put a price on the mare and filly, which was a beauty at four weeks old.

I think I have made things pretty clear to you, and this matter must be straightened out, and your valuable paper is entitled to the first chance at it, which I am hereby giving. If any further information you require before making a public break, I should be most pleased to furnish same as to affidavits, etc., as this must be made right in every horse paper in America, as Oro Wilkes (or Willis) Jr. 46743, 2:12¾, has always ranked among the best that can be produced and one of the few capable of siring a filly such as Julia M.

Thanking you for past favors and hoping to hear successfully from you in the near future, I remain, dear sir,

Yours truly,

N. GERALD BLANCHFIELD.

Along with his letter Mr. Blanchfield submitted documentary evidence and copies of the registration papers of Record Searcher, both in the A. T. R. and the Canadian National Live Stock Records, leaving little room to doubt as to the fact that he had owned the mare registered under that name and sold at the Nutwood Stock Farm dispersal sale at Pleasanton in 1909 to Henry Busing of Pleasanton, passing thence to Oscar Hartnagel, Seattle, to John McLeod, Vancouver, B. C., and to Mr. Blanchfield himself. These transfers are matters of official record.

Immediately upon the receipt of this letter we wrote Mr. Blanchfield, whose stand was the one any man would have taken under the circumstances, asking his indulgence while we made a thorough research into the matter, and endeavoring to free his mind of any suspicion of misrepresentation on the part of Mr. D. W. Wallis. The records of the P. C. T. H. B. A. proved conclusively that Mr. Wallis and Mr. Blanchfield had each owned a mare known to them as Record Searcher by Searchlight, dam Zeta Carter by Director, etc., at the same time, so that the first conclusion reached by us was to the effect that one or the other of them had been "gyped," presumably Mr. Wallis, as Mr. Blanchfield had all the documentary evidence in his favor. Now it has always been our experience that such matters as these are more easily confused than they are to straighten out, and the present instance was no exception. Several letters passed between us and all parties concerned, personal interviews of a number of horsemen were made, including Mr. Wallis, and recourse was had to catalogs and sales reports of the Nutwood Stock Farm dispersal. We had long been satisfied that Mr. Wallis had never owned Record Searcher, and a few days ago the entire matter was finally straightened out.

Mr. Wallis became the owner of the mare known by him as Record Searcher in the winter of 1910-1911, securing her in a transaction with the Concord firm of Foskett & Ellsworthy. Now Foskett & Ellsworthy had bought one of the Carter mares by Searchlight at the sale at which Record Searcher was sold (the two mares being sold within a few minutes of each other and many of the same parties having been bidders on each one) and in some manner Mr. Wallas gained the impression that the one knocked down to Foskett & Ellsworthy by Auctioneer William Higginbottom was named Record Searcher. He was still of that opinion when he acquired her personally, some months later, and so gave her in his entry blanks. Investigation reveals that Messrs. Foskett & Ellsworthy secured at this sale and subsequently sold to Mr. Wallis the bay mare foaled in 1904 by Searchlight, dam Lida W. 2:18½, a line of breeding so similar to that of the mare bid in a few minutes previously by Henry Busing that ample grounds were provided for future misunderstanding unless due care was exercised—the lack of the same being the cause of the subsequent annoyance to Mr. Blanchfield. The mare bought by Foskett & Ellsworthy was named Search Lida and was a full sister to the extremely fast pacer Alberta 2:03¾ and half sister to a number of other performers, including the great stallion Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, and this is the identical mare purchased by Mr. Wallis. There was no misrepresentation of any description practiced or in any way intended by the parties variously connected with the mare, Mr. Wallis simply failing to identify her positively owing to the impression lingering in his memory that Foskett & Ellsworthy had bought Record Searcher.

Search Lida was trained a little by D. A. Allen in the spring of 1911 but met with an accident to one wing and was bred to El Angelo and turned out, producing a male foal now four years old. The following season she was returned to El Angelo and in due time foaled the filly, now a three-year-old, known to racing fame as Julia M. (2) 2:13¾, one of the very best two-year-old pacers seen in the United States last season. A third time she was mated to the same stallion and a third time delivered a foal in safety, a filly. When this lassie was but a few months of age Search Lida, along with six or seven others of the best mares owned by Mr. Wallis, died at the Miller & Lux ranch at Los Banos from the effects of poisoning, presumably caused through the carelessness of some member of the squirrel dopster brigade constantly engaged in the warfare of extermination waged upon the thousands of ground squirrels infesting the company's ranges and alfalfa fields. The baby filly escaped the poison route but died from other causes not long afterward.

This is the complete history of the entire transaction and the family of Search Lida, fully substantiated in every respect. At the same time there is somewhere here in the west, presumably, the mare Record Searcher and a filly the same age as Julia M., this one the real daughter of Oro Willis Jr. and the identical young lady believed, quite naturally, by Mr. Blanchfield to be Julia M. This lass by every right in the world should be a young thing of exceptional quality, and should any of our readers be able to supply us with any information concerning either Record Searcher or her filly we would greatly appreciate being advised fully of the same, not only as a matter of general interest but also for the further enlightenment of Mr. Blanchfield, former owner of the one and breeder of the other.

Now that the matter has been fully straightened out, we trust to the complete satisfaction of all persons concerned therein, we wish to express our appreciation of the great assistance rendered us in cleaning up the tangle by the American Trotting Register Association. Acting on the assumption, which we considered a highly proper one, that the registered description of Record Searcher would go far toward determining first of all which of the two mares was really Record Searcher, we made application many weeks ago to the office of the register association for this information. Aside from one notification to the effect that a clerk in the office was unable to find the original papers we are just as wise on this point as we were before. Thank you—also why is a hen?

PACIFIC BREEDERS' FUTURITY No. 14.

Last week we intimated that the response of breeders to call for payments on two-year-olds engaged in the number of the Breeders' Futurity whose junior divisions will be raced this season portended some excellent sport later in the year, a prediction that will be found to be well grounded if you will take the trouble to glance through the accompanying list of colts that are still eligible to the event. Sixty-two youngsters in all are paid up for another year, quite a number of which have received some schooling as yearlings and shown themselves to be possessed of much promise as futurity prospects, the complete list being as follows:

C. A. Arvedson's b or s c Ansel Mack by Prince Ansel, dam Constancia by McKinney.

E. T. Barnette's b c by Carlokin, dam Zephyr by Zombro.

I. L. Borden's ch c by Ed McKinney, dam Ramona by Prince Robert; b or br c by Ed. McKinney, dam Hester McKinney by McKinney; b f by Ed. McKinney, dam Miss Nutwood by Nutwood Wilkes; b g by Tom Smith, dam Carrie B. by Alex. Button.

W. C. Brown's ch c Prince Pat by Prince Ansel, dam Princess Bessum by Egyptian Prince.

I. J. Cornett's b f Boness by The Bondsman, dam Salinas Princess by Eugeneer.

S. H. Cowell's s f Don Alberta by Palo King, dam Hulda by Guy Wilkes; b c by Jim Logan, dam Two Minutes by Wildnut.

C. L. DeRyder's b c by The Bondsman, dam Arawanna B. by Sidney Dillon.

Wm. E. Detels' b f by Graham Bellini, dam Daphne McKinney by McKinney.

J. Doran's b f Nelley McCarty by Vernon McKinney, dam Zaalam by Searchlight.

W. G. Durfee's b c Troubadour by Carlokin, dam My Irene S. by Petigru; b c by Copa de Oro, dam Lady H. by Del Coronado.

Revel Lindsay's ch f Wilbertha by Wilbur Lou, dam Lady Bertha by Constantine.

Byron Erkenbrecher's b f by Copa de Oro, dam Reta H. by McKinney.

Sam Gault's b c Peter Klyo Bell by Peter McKlyo, dam Iran Belle by Iran Alto.

Alex. Grant's b c Kinsman Lou by Wilbur Lou, dam Sona by McKinney.

C. A. Harrison's br f Hilda Ansel by Prince Ansel, dam Bonhilda by Moko.

Hemet Stock Farm's ch f by Kinney de Lopez, dam Louise Carter by Chestnut Tom; ch f by Wilbur Lou, dam Lady Zombro by Zombro; ch c by Wilbur Lou, dam Betsy Direct by Direct; ch c by Wilbur Lou, dam Little Louis A. by Boodle; ch f by Wilbur Lou, dam Zeta W. by Nutwood Wilkes; b f by Wilbur Lou, dam Stambia by Stam B.; bl f by Kinney de Lopez, dam Bonnie Ailse by Faustino.

H. A. Hershey's b c Galen by Jim Logan, dam Palo Maid by Palo King.

H. S. Hogoboom's b f Eva Dungan by Palo King, dam Miss Ione by Iran Alto; b f Lilly of the Valley by Palo King, dam by Iran Alto.

Wm. Howell's b c Kinney Benton by True Kinney, dam Princess Viola by Prince Ansel; ch f Miss Sirius by Graham Bellini, dam Lady Sirius by Sirius.

S. H. Hoy's b c Elmo Logan by Jim Logan, dam Suisun by Demonio.

Craig Hyde's b f Mona Logan by Jim Logan, dam Switchtail by Demonio.

W. J. Ivey's b g Boniska by Bonaday, dam Oniska by Nutwood Wilkes.

Abe W. Johnson's ch c Willie G. D. by Directum Penn, dam Babe by Son of McKinney.

R. J. MacKenzie's br f by Pan Boy, dam Merry Widow by Red Pac.

Roy D. Mayes' b g El Paso by True Kinney, dam Ella J. by Bob Mason.

J. R. McKay's b c J. R. McK. by Quintell, dam Josie Ansel by Prince Ansel.

J. E. Montgomery's b c Marshall Logan by Jim Logan, dam Leota by Diablo.

Chris G. Owen's br f Ella O. by Moko Hall, dam by Kinney Lou.

J. W. Pendleton's ch f Bertha Thrice by Derbertha Bells, dam Abbie McNutward by Guy McKinney.

W. A. Perley's b c Pietro Ghisleri by The Proof, dam Belle by Kinney Lou.

Sadie L. Porter's br c Sequoia by The Bondsman, dam Yu Tu by R. Ambush.

Geo. F. Ryan's b c by Frank Perry, dam Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon.

A. L. Scott's br f by Wilbur Lou, dam Weatewater by Sidney Dillon; ch f by Wilbur Lou, dam Lady Nez by Nutwood Wilkes.

Chas. F. Silva's ch c by Teddy Bear, dam Camille by Stam B.; ch f by Teddy Bear, dam Polka Dot by Mendocino; b c Silver Ansel by Prince Ansel, dam Silver Haw by Silver Bow.

Jas. Stewart's ch c Robert Bruce by Copa de Oro, dam Easter D. by Diablo.

W. A. Stow's b f Alconda Girl by Alconda Jay, dam Salinas Girl by Nutwood Wilkes.

Sutherland & MacKenzie's b c Rhyolite by F. S. Whitney, dam Rubelle by Del Coronado.

L. B. Taylor's b f Olivet by Yoncalla, dam Yolanda by McKinney.

L. H. Todhunter's foal by Peter McKlyo, dam Osmuda by Bon Voyage; foal by Peter McKlyo, dam Sweet Bow by Bon Voyage.

Valencia Stock Farm's b c by Pegasus, dam Rosie by McKinney.

F. W. Wadham's br c Adam Treat by Prince Ansel, dam Johanna Treat by Thos. Rysdyk.

D. W. Wallis' br f Eline by El Angelo, dam Search Lida by Searchlight; b c Robert Mc by El Angelo, dam Annie McKinney by McKinney.

Alex M. Wilson's br c Kewpie by Carlokin, dam The Blonde by Strathway.

M. L. Woy's br f Expressive Mac, dam Loma B. by Stam B.

THE STRAIGHT DOPE ON KEARNEY.

While Kearney, Nebraska, lies about halfway between the Atlantic and the Pacific oceans and approximately equi-distant from the Mexican and Canadian boundary lines, and while it is the home of the widely famed Midway Stock Farm (whose proprietor can say "no" very gracefully to thirty thousand dollar offers for three-year-old trotters) and also of the busiest halfmile track in the west (the scene of three race meetings in 1915), there must be a whole lot of folks even in the horse business who are not overly familiar with Kearney. We ourselves were well aware that Kearney "had a history," being familiar with the same in a "scatterin' way" only, but last Sunday while taking a day off from our perusal of the 1914 Year Book, the one for 1915 not yet having appeared at that time, we found the following condensed and authoritative report—though not prepared by Magnus Flaws—upon Kearney and her surroundings:

"Kearney takes its name from old Fort Kearney, which stood south of the river, a few miles east of the city, at the junction of the emigrant trail from Kansas Ciy and the Platte Valley trail. It was a center of turbulence during the time of Indian warfare. Here during the construction of the Union Pacific Railroad, according to Gen. G. M. Dodge, there were more desperate fights and literally hair-rasing adventures than James Fennimore Cooper ever dreamed of, and here Maj. Frank J. North, with his four companies of Pawnee Indians, made history defending the Overland Route against hostile Indians. The Plum Creek, Ogalalla, and Summit Springs campaigns under Maj. North's direction did much to prove conclusively to the Sioux and Cheyenne that he was their absolute master. The same writer says that every mile of the railroad had to be surveyed and built within range of the rifle and under military protection, and much of the success of the enterprise he attributes to the active support of Gen. Grant and Gen. Sherman.

"West of Kearney the bluffs, consisting of loess overlying rocks of late Tertiary age, are about a mile from the railroad. Could the traveler restore the landscape of late Tertiary time, he would find himself surrounded by scenes greatly different from those of the present. The swampy lowlands of that time were covered with vegetation similar to that now

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"Everlasting Puzzle"

IS MARQUE'S DESCRIPTION OF THE TROTTER IN THE REVIEW

The man who knows all about horses hasn't as yet graced this terrestial sphere of ours, but one can find a lot of fellows who are willing to admit that they know about everything regarding horses; also, that what they don't know isn't worth knowing, anyway.

Sometimes I think our lack of knowledge of horses keeps the business active and adds to its spice and seasoning. Now, what a stereotyped, cut-and-dried, unattractive sport this would be were it possible to select winners with absolute certainty! Or to put a certain amount of money in one's purse and with deliberation unfailing, purchase horses that "bring home the bacon." It can't be done—and therein lies the element of uncertainty which keeps many people in the business, driving out, too, others who lack the true sporting instinct.

And let us suppose that breeding had reached the condition of such an exact science that all that was necessary to assure the successful production of stake winners was to mate certain stallions with certain mares. Were this possible of achievement, the whole business would quickly go hooey, reverting, as it would, into a mere matter-of-fact affair, thus eliminating from it every element of chance and speculation. All its interest would disappear, and instead of being the seductive sport it is, it would lose its zest and flavor.

It's our very uncertainty, our oft-proven and demonstrated lack of knowledge of horses, that gives us the incentive to own and breed them. Some horses are bound to prove failures despite the fact that they are, so far as expert human knowledge can enable us to judge, the most hopeful prospects, vice versa, others that offer no such outward evidences of merit improve and turn out to be head-liners. So there you are! Always up against a problem that only the experience which the future develops can solve.

We cannot tell how far a frog will leap by looking at it—and no teacher can tell which one of his or her pupils will go out into the world and successfully fight the battle of life. The smartest and most capable boy, the one that most easily acquires book knowledge, more often than otherwise, "also runs" to the boy whose capabilities as a scholar seemed to indicate he was too thick-headed to make a living. The prize scholar, the brilliant student, may subsequently be found keeping books in the other's bank.

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We had two excellent examples of this very uncertainty which bring into our sport is constant element of chance the past season when Mary Putney 2:05½ and Humfast 2:09¾ were doing things to the three-year-old trotters in the fall futurities. Did anyone ever figure on these two fillies when the two-year-olds were battling for honors in 1914? Chances are that you never even heard of them! I happened to know about Humfast, for I am fairly familiar with Mr. L. E. Brown's horses; but when I saw Mary Putney's name in the list of eligibles to the futurities, I thought to myself, "What indulgent patron of Walter Cox is putting up money for that one?"

Cox is one of the most capable trainers, and unquestionably one of the shrewdest men in the business, on top of which he is a New England, blue-bellied Yankee. There we have a proven combination of skill, brains and capability out of the ordinary. Well—Walter trained Mary, lived and traveled with her, and knew as much about her as it is humanly possible for a trainer to know about a trotter—yet he sold her to Chauncey L. Sears, of Fall River, Mass., for $5,000! Be it known that the said New Englander and Mr. Sears are close friends, and that Walter could thereafter have driven Mary had he so elected. But he chose for his mount his other pupil, Native Spirit—bet on her, too, when the pair met for the first time in the Review futurity at Columbus, O. Walter turned Mary over to Dick McMahon to drive, and it was afterward remarked what a good fellow he was and how kind to his fellow reinsman, to hand him a world's champion, etc., etc. Now, Walter is a good fellow, I know that. But—I have some knowledge of trainers, too. It strikes me as being just as likely for a trainer to knowingly let another ride in front with a world's champion and himself remain back in the dust with an "also ran," as it would be for him to give up his right eye or his left lung—dear and gentle reader, there is nothing transpiring in that line, and you and I know it very well.

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Did you ever hear this story of Napoleon Direct 2:00¾? Well, it fits into the subject which I am treating, and I will take a chance of getting under the hide of my good friends, Mr. Geers and his secretary, Robert Neill, in telling it. In the spring of 1914 Mr. Geers was training at Memphis both Napoleon Direct and a mare called Tuah Worth. "Bob" Neill, who always has an eye out for a bargain in horse flesh, and who, by the way, has picked up some good ones, including Walter W. 2:04¾, suggested to Mr. Geers that they purchase one of these two pacers. The price of each was approximately the same, and both had at the same time worked around 2:08. And after giving the matter their mature consideration and threshing over the pros and cons, they purchased Tuah Worth! Well—as matters transpired, they put up their money on the "black" and "red" turned up! Napoleon, as everyone knows, turned out to be a super-sensation, while Tuah has yet to put any red ink on the right side of her owner's ledger. She proved a bill of expense and was afterwards disposed of for a comparatively small figure.

Now, how is one going to plume oneself on having a knowledge of horses when facts like this continuously confront one?

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Just the other day I received a letter from E. D. Gould, the Kearney, Neb., breeder, stating that he had been offered $35,000 for his two-year-old colt, Bingen Silk 2:08¾. Now, there is in Lexington a colony of colt trainers, a group of the country's real specialists in colt training and everything pertaining to early speed marvels. Yet J. B. Chandler put one over on the whole bunch of them. "Chan" slipped down to Lexington and led Bingen Silk away after the mild separation of just $1,000 from Mr. Gould's bank roll, and, by so doing, played a winner at odds of 35 to 1. Last fall, when I visited Lexington, several of the locals told me that they knew Bingen Silk was a real star, etc., etc.—but just at the time of his purchase there were at least eight other yearlings quartered there that were priced at three times Bingen Silk's figure, but none of them have proved to be in his class.

Now, gentlemen of Lexington, each and every one of you have had to pull the "excuse book"—and it won't get by yours truly!

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I remember very well another incident which refers to my Lexington friends, and what happened to a bunch of them. I have written this story previously, perhaps, but it's worth repeating, since it goes to prove that the best of horsemen can always be fooled.

I had been down to Memphis to see the horses there at work, and stopped on my way home for a week's stay in Lexington. Reports of Highball's (2:04¾) sensational work had drifted up from Memphis and it so happened that no less than six—count 'em, six—of his former owners were grouped in the K. T. H. B. A. grand stand when I reached it. After stating that I had just come from Memphis, I was immediately besieged for news about Highball, all his former owners questioning me in concert. I hold of his work in a very mild way, I thought, winding up by saying that I thought him to be a very high-class trotter. It was not, however, until the sextette tramped all over the gelding, denounced him as the worst "morning glory," and the largest piece of cheese ever wrapped up in horse hide, that I ventured to make my statements anent him strong. I then told them that if he wasn't a first-class stake trotter I would have to quit guessing. It was one against six, and I fear I came off very badly in the argument which ensued. You see, Highball had been a "trading hoss" around Lexington, and during the afternoon when there was nothing else to do, the trainers used to swap him back and forth for jack-knives and whetstones. Upon being transferred from one to the other he was trained some more, and each of his successive owners found some new thing to cuss him for. How Highball later on sold for $17,500 to Mr. Jones, and proved a champion, is now turf history, so it only remains for me to state that while I won six hats that fine June morning at Lexington, all but one of Highball's detractors subsequently forgot that the wagers were made—right here I want to state that if I had collected all of the hat and suit bets that I have won since I have been in this business, all that I would have to do in order to start a clothing store would be to put in a line of neckties and collars. My method of betting is this—in the winter time I wager with owners that their steeds won't do so and so, and since the winter hopes of nearly every owner may be discounted at least 50 per cent, I have that much advantage.

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But I will return to my text. One day I landed in Columbus, O., having been away from the Grand Circuit for some weeks, and meeting Ed Benyon, he proceeded to inform me that he had the greatest two-year-old filly that ever wore hair. Forthwith he introduced me to The Leading Lady, but hadn't a word to say anent a roan colt whose head had projected from an adjoining stall. Perhaps the roan colt overheard what Ed had said about the filly and didn't like it, but at any rate just two weeks later I saw him defeat the greatest, etc., filly, and win the Kentucky futurity in world's record time. The roan colt was Tramp-fast (2) 2:12¼, and Ed turned him over to Tommy Murphy to drive, little thinking that he was putting into the New Yorker's hands a record-breaking victor. Had Ed known—but what's the use of rubbing it in?

I think all of you will agree that Billy Andrews is "some hoss professor"; that he is a post graduate and an honor man in the great school of trotterdom. So he is—but I saw Prof. Andrews made to appear upon one occasion as if he didn't know the first three letters in the equine alphabet. Billy had taken his caravan to Fort Erie, on the Canadian side of the Niagara river, and according to the rules, was permitted to start a pair from his stable there in the

$5,000 2:10 trot. He had the mount behind Uncle Biff 2:06¾, and Jimmy Benyon was selected to drive Tenara, who was at that time "a maiden," having not as yet won brackets. It would be unfair to Billy to single him out as the only man present that day who was fooled, for there were, as a matter of fact, 'steen hundreds of the wisest G. C. regulars that "got theirs" as well. Uncle Biff went to the post an air-tight favorite, and in the pools of $450 Tenara brought just $15. They paid about as much attention to the Moko mare as the senatorial veterans do to a new tall-grass congressman who lights down in Washington, D. C. Well—she won with comparative ease, and about the only man who had backed her was a saloon keeper from Buffalo, whose knowledge of horses extended to the fact that they have four legs and (sometimes) a mane and tail. The dispenser of liquid inspiration had been patronizing his own wares with the result that his speculative instinct was aroused—he was looking for something cheap, and Tenara happened to be on the ten-cent counter. I was told that the next day the suds-merchant assumed an attitude of superior wisdom, put his thumbs under his apron, threw out his chest, and told his patrons that he had the race all doped out, knew that Tenara was a cinch, and proceeded to eat it up—such is the basis of much alleged hoss knowledge.

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The first time I ever saw Uhlan 1:58 was in the $50,000 American Trotting Derby, raced at Boston in 1908. I was stationed at the starting point, near the three-quarter pole, and noted that the gelding was turned the wrong way of the track when the word was finally given. In view of what he afterwards did, the Derby would, without doubt, have been easy for Uhlan, had he gotten away from the mark assigned him. But leaving that feature aside, the future champion had worked a mile in 2:06¾, and could have been purchased for $6,000 or less. A number of horsemen who were on the lookout for racing material, turned him down, their criticism being that he was too much of a show horse, and had too much action to ever make a high-class race horse. For some inexplicable reason, doubt continued to be expressed anent Uhlan even after he had beaten Spanish Queen 2:04¼ that fall at Lexington. She was the largest stake winner of the year, and when they met horsemen said: "Now, just see what will happen to him when he meets class." The race was as easy as breaking sticks for him, but it was not until the followin season, at North Randall, that the majority of G. C. horsemen began to see in the black gelding true greatness. Here he won a second heat in 2:03¾, with apparent ease—yet even then some of the critics said that he "wasn't beating anything."

When they will turn down the grandest looking horse in the world, and the most impressively gaited one, where, or how, in the name of reason, is one going to find a basis upon which to judge horses? It would seem that the veriest tyro could have detected Uhlan's greatness, but I can assure you that he was severely criticised and his merits frequently questioned.

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The great difficulty in judging horses that have never met the supreme test is occasioned by our lack of knowledge of what nature did for them. We can get a line on their speed, their gait and their manners, for these are the features which the eye and the mind can observe and analyze. But another factor must be reckoned with, viz., did nature supply them with that great qualification which we term "class." Speed, gait and manners are but the outward signs, while "class" is the thing that is locked away invisibly somewhere inside the horse. An old horseman once said to me in reference to class: "It isn't to be found in their legs, their hearts, their lungs, or their stomachs, nor is it always evidenced by their speed, their gait or their manners, so the only other place we have to look for it is in their heads."

But perhaps class results from a combination of physical and mental excellencies, a happy mingling of anatomical, organic and temperamental endowments. However, the question is too deep for me, and when I get to using big words in order to attempt to express myself, I get all muddled up and must ask the court's indulgence.

When it comes to physical make-up, the turf has been provided with numerous striking contrasts among its select ones. So we cannot depend upon that feature. Can you imagine two mares, for instance, more unlike than Sweet Marie 2:02 and Dudie Archdale 2:03¼? Marie fittingly termed "the amazon," and Dudie as appropriately could be called "the slim princess"—the one powerful, heavily made, proportioned like a giantess, and the other slim, even frail in form and outline. And the same dissimilarity is to be noted as to their gaits, Marie being a mare with lots of action and the powerful front stroke of a stallion, while her antithesis was cat-like in her stride and action. Dudie fooled everyone with the exception of Mr. Geers, and those closely associated with her—and who, for that matter, could have selected her for a great trotter were they not intimate with her capability? Sweet Marie herself was not above suspicion when she came over from California to tackle the big ring stake horses. Several of her California observers said that she would stop, and I distinctly recall receiving a letter to that effect from a Coast horseman. So Marie, like numerous others in the list of the "greats," was discounted by capable judges who were very close to her.

I have seen a lot of trotters that nature went just as far with and then suddenly stopped, declining, as it were, to put upon their efforts the finishing touches. The best example I can recall of such a trotter was the California gelding George G. 2:05¼. Unless you were "onto" George, you would pronounce him a sure champion at first sight. Few trotters were ever more attractively gaited, none were sounder, very few were faster, and practically none made a better impression than did he when seen in action. But something had been left out when George was "assembled"—some vital necessity, lacking which he was one of the turf's most pronounced disappointments. I remember one day when he lost a race at Columbus, O., that he should have and could have won in a walk, had he possessed real class. Mr. Geers had him then, and after dismounting at the conclusion of the last heat, glanced at George with disgust written on his face, remarking, "Dog-gone! That's the most no 'count hoss I ever sat behind!" Coming from the G. O. M. that remark was as expressive as the most violent abuse would be from the average horseman. And, be it known, the previous spring Mr. Geers believed George the making of the best trotter he had ever trained!

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There are three stages in the career of every horseman. First, the initiatory stage; second, the know-it-all stage; third, the know-very-little stage.

All of us connected with the sport have to pass through these three periods or epochs. After our initiation we begin to assume that we are wonderfully equipped in horse knowledge, splendidly versed in equine dope and secrets, but with maturity we begin to realize that we are possessed of very little read wisdom, and have all the while been fooling ourselves.

I have known the most skilful trainers to become thoroughly discouraged when things broke badly for them, and lose heart to the extent of questioning their own ability. In fact, I have had more than one trainer tell me that he seemed to have lost all his knack with horses, and that everything he did with his pupils was calculated to make them worse rather than improve them. One familiar with these trainers could not question their gameness, for upon many occasions they had evidenced that qualification to a marked degree, but the fact that temporarily they had run up against a series of misfortunes simply augmented the feeling that they no longer possessed their former skill and ability, until it became a certainty to them. There is always hope for the horseman who recognizes the fact that he doesn't know it all, but very little for the sort that think they hold the master key to universal equine knowledge.

THE STRAIGHT DOPE ON KEARNEY.

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growing in moist climates farther south. He would recognize few of the animals. Though they formed an assemblage very different from that of today, they much more closely resembled the living animals than those of former ages. Camels and llamas were abundant and great ground sloths and glyptodonts, whose relatives now live in South America, inhabited western Nebraska during Pliocene time. Mastodons with tusks on both the upper and the lower jaws, much like those of the Miocene epoch, still persisted. Short legged rhinoceroses remained abundant, and there was a great variety of wolf-like carnivora. Saber-toothed tigers and true cats, some of them considerably larger than the modern tigers, were also abundant. Three-toed horses were still numerous, but the modern genus Equus was not among them. One of the most curious animals of the time in Kansas and Nebraska was a gopher-like rodent that had two large horns on its nose. Its enormous claws indicate good burrowing powers and its horns may have been used in digging."

Thus it would seem that E. D. Gould, in establishing his Midway Stock Farm, had picked out a sort of perpetual paradise for quadrupeds. Just exactly how far back in history the Tertiary age really is the writer does not know but it is bound to be a long time as neither Charley Durfee nor S. S. Bailey have ever mentioned it to the writer in relating their personal experiences in the days when the west was young. Roughly speaking the various stages or epochs in the history of the horse in the Kearney country may be defined as the Tertiary or prehistoric, when the eohippus was the lord of his kind; then the Caballa Tejano, or the age of the cowtrail; then that of the mulus scraperinus, or railroad mule; then that of Shadeland Onward, or the early trotting period, followed by several "gradings" of the same until we come to the present and the tomorrow, which will be known properly as, shall we say, the Robertus Bingeniferosus age. Anyway, we have given you the straight dope on Kearney according to the records of the United States Geological Survey, so you can see for yourself that she has a long and honored place in horse history.

There have been prices and rumors of prices offered for Peter Mac since that gentleman began looming up like a champion last season, and at last a definite figure has been put on him by Captain Shaw. Believing that he has a record breaking horse he insists that if sold he be sold for a record breaking price, so anyone putting in a dollar raise on the one hundred and twenty-five thousand iron men paid for Arion may become possessed of Peter Mac. The bids from this coast will probably not be numerous.

Notes and News

The San Franciscos were the original hot cakes at the Midwinter Sale.

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Five thousand six hundred dollars for a yearling at auction makes things look a little better in trotting horse circles down east.

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The dates of September 13-18 have been claimed by the Alameda County Fair Association for their fair this year, but no announcement has as yet been made concerning the course to be adopted in regard to the racing program.

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Good old Earl Jr. and Frank Bogash Jr. went under the hammer at the recent sale at New York, the old gray warrior bringing $2,700 and his oft-time rival going for seven hundred less. It's the halfmile track free-for-alls for theirs from now on, quite probably.

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Hal McKinney 2:06¼, the gamecock pacer raced for five years by Fred Ward, Al Russell and Bob Sebastian and now owned by the Omaha enthusiast, Tom Dennison, will be allowed to serve a limited number of mares this season before going away to the races.

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Henry Thomas, who trains and races the horses of D. A. Dinnie of Minot, North Dakota, shipped from that summer resort this week for Davenport, Iowa, where he will put the finishing touches to the string that will go down the line this season, including Sadie Densmore (4) 2:02, Miss Densmore 2:10¾, Don B. 2:16½, Don Conamore 2:18¼, Lieutenant Aubrey (3) 2:21¼ and a number of promising green things.

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Peter McKlyo (3) 2:12½ is the latest comer to our list of stallions advertised for service for the season of 1916. He is the only son of the fifty-thousand dollar Peter the Great whose services are available to California breeders, and his youngsters are looming up as worthy representatives of their famous family. He is at the state fair grounds at Sacramento in charge of Col. Jim Thompson, from whom all particulars may be obtained.

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Peter McCormick 2:05½, the big trotter that V. L. Shuler raced at the June meeting at the exposition, is in service at the state fair grounds at Indianapolis, the Shuler home town, and is attracting quite a number of good mares. No son of Peter the Great possesses more of the genuine "trotting instinct" than does Peter McCormick, and had Mr. Shuler so desired he could have booked a number of mares to him here in California last spring.

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The early closers for the first meetings of the Grand Circuit have been announced and cover a wide range of classes. Cleveland's stakes close on March fourteenth for The Ohio for 2:08 trotters, $3,000; the Tavern Steak (Devereux system) for trotters that never won two thousand gross nor have a time or race record faster than 2:14¼, $3,000; the Edwards for 2:10 pacers, $3,000; the Fasig Sweepstakes open to all three-year-old trotters except Volga, $500 added; the North Randall Sweepstakes for three-year-old trotters eligible to the 2:18 class, $500 added, and the Forest City Sweepstakes for all two-year-old trotters, $500 added.

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Clinton A. Harrison, who objects strenuously to having it made known in print that he comes occasionally to our civilized midst from his haunts in the heart of the wilds of the Puget Sound country, has been spending the past week or ten days at Los Angeles accompanied by Mrs. Harrison, and from the City of Angels they make almost daily trips out into the surrounding country where they have many friends and acquaintances. Their visit in that vicinity was to have been of about three days' duration but from latest advices from there it bids fair to stretch over into the summer. Yes, really, it must be a welcome change, as Clint had to spend all his Robert Bingen money hiring snow shovelers almost before he got it. Just how to report his journeyings to and from our pleasure resorts without tipping it off that he really hails from the wilds above mentioned is something of a puzzle, as both Seattle and Tacoma are known around the world as the twin metropoli (is this right, Volunteer, our learned friend?) of the Puget Sound section, and to report him as coming from Everett or Bellingham or Anacortes would serve but ill as a means of hiding his trail, as practically all readers of horse papers in this enlightened age know that these habitats of the sockeye and the shingle-weaver are part and parcel of the w. o. t. P. S. country, as aforesaid. Just where to—but wait, we have it at last. Ballard! Why didn't we think of that before? Right in his back yard and yet it will not tip it off to anyone as to just where he hails from. There never were but three people whose names figure in the year book or the racing guide who ever discovered Ballard, and as two of these were biling drunk at the time and have probably forgotten all about it, the field narrows down to one. "C. A. Harrison of Ballard." It looks well in print.

Cam P. Caylor of La Grande, Ore., still has his old Mare Indian Girl 2:29½, by Tentabit, son of Pilot Medium, and he thinks she is about the "best ever." She is the dam of Jim Hill 2:09¼, a son of The Commonwealth, and of Hot Cakes 2:21½, a son of King Lamont. Mr. Caylor has a fine filly from the old Mare that will be a-year old in May, by Harold Welcome, and she is again safe in foal to the great sire Imaden D. Cam sent her clear to Seattle to be bred last year.—Rural Spirit.

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Princess Bessum 2:29½ by Egyptian Prince, dam Carrie Malone (dam of three and grandam of quite a number, including Lovelock 2:05½ and Ray o' Light (p) 2:08¼) has recently foaled a fine youngster by Robert Bingen 2:11¼, the laddie having a whole lot of attractive points about him. Mare and colt are the property of W. C. Brown of Vancouver, B. C., and are now at Whalen Brothers' Santa Rita Stock Farm in the Livermore Valley where there is grass and water in profusion and where both old horses and young ones do famously at all times of the year.

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Lou Taylor, who has been located at Hemet since the close of the races at southern California fairs last season, has taken his horses to the mile track at Los Angeles to get them ready for the season's races. He reports all in nice shape but not far along with their work right at this moment, though he has lots of time to get ready before anything starts in the campaigning line. His pacer, Baxter Lou 2:14¼, looks to be the making of one other real fast performer for that good matron Carrie B., while the trotter, Luana 2:16¼, is liable to crowd 2:10 considerably if she continues to come along as she did late last year.

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Roy D. Mayes of Dixon has recently sent to Sutherland & Chadbourne at Pleasanton the two-year-old bay colt El Paso by True Kinney, dam the great matron Ella J. by Bob Mason, and this well-known firm will prepare him for his futurity engagements, which include all the California classics. El Paso is in several respects a more attractive individual than was his famous half brother, Natalday (2) 2:13½ at the same age, but is a natural pacer while the other lad is as naturally a trotter. Fred Chadbourne, who with Pa Jim Sutherland has developed a dozen or a dozen two-year-old pacers that could race in 2:13 or better, believes that this boy is the making of a great pacer, as he shows more at this stage of the game than any Chad has ever handled.

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Fred E. Ward of Los Angeles has recently purchased the good young trotter Bon Courage (4) 2:08¼, formerly owned by W. A. Clark Jr. and the late Ted Hayes, the latter having driven the chestnut fellow to the season's record for four-year-old trotting geldings in 1915 only a few months prior to his death. Bon Courage as a two- and three-year-old was one of the fastest of coast trotters and in Ward's hands he should make a highly useful campaigner, as age has brought him a good deal of strength and substance that were lacking in his younger years, as he was one of the slightly built kind. Fred drove him in his last engagements here at the exposition last fall, the horse improving steadily in his hands in a manner that promises well for the success of their future partnership.

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Andrew Albright Jr. of Prospect Farm, one of New Jersey's foremost speed nurseries, has purchased another California brood mare to send east when his winter visit with us is over, the last acquisition being the bay mare Bessie Tea 2:22 by Zombro 2:11, dam the triple producer Manila (dam of Elloretta 2:12¼, etc.) by Shadeland Hero. She is an extremely nice individual, a good mannered mare in company, with a good deal more speed than her present record indicates. That she will breed good ones is evident from the youngster produced to the cover of Baronteer 2:odd, now a member of the training stable of J. H. Morrey at Los Angeles and credited with trials better than standard time at both ways of going. The Zombros are in excellent repute in the east, and Bessie Tea will no doubt prove a good investment for the new owner.

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Full reports of the recent Midwinter Sale of the Casig-Tipton Company at Madison Square Garden have not yet reached us, but the first two days were very good ones indeed. Walter Cox was one of the best buyers present and took home a number of young things that caught his fancy, not hesitating to pay the price. If he didn't want one he didn't bid on it, and if he wanted one very badly he got it. In several instances he engaged in brisk skirmishes with Tommy Murphy's patron, A. H. Cosden of New York, usually carrying that gentleman wide on the final turn and beating him through the stretch. The elongated New Englander separated himself from $5,600 for the yearling St. Frusquin by San Francisco out of the seven-year-old untried mare Melisande by Walnut Hall, $3,225 for the yearling Truxton by San Francisco and out of a daughter of Walnut Hall, $4,000 for the three-year-old colt Mr. Hawthorne by Foxworthy and out of the grand old race trotter Hawthorne 2:06¼ by Jay Bird, and good prices for others of lesser attractiveness. Altogether the sale is pronounced to have been a most successful one, and a further report of it will be made in our next issue, when we will have the complete returns.

One of the richest classics of the Australian trotting turf, the Victoria thousand at a mile and a half, will be raced on Thursday, April 27 over the course at Victoria Park, the Australian Trotting Club being the sponsors of the stake.

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G. D. Armstead, proprietor of the Hotel Reynolds at Riverside and incidentally one of the most enthusiastic friends of the trotter and the county fair to be found in California, is recuperating after an illness of several months, during the course of which he was made the subject of an investigation on the part of a committee of anatomical architects who discovered that portions of his internal structure were badly in need of alterations. Plans and specifications were immediately drawn up and without waiting to advertise for bids the work was at once put under way. Just what the experts did to him while they had him down for the count in a San Berdoo hospital is not yet fully known to Mr. Armstead, but they evidently did the right thing and he will soon be as good as ever and able to put in his customary hard licks on behalf of the Riverside county fair.

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Here is a hot one that comes to us via the scissors from an eastern exchange: "As a result of a novel operation in horse dentistry up at Clapham, N. Y., Lester Clapper's old sorrel pacing mare, Rickety Ann, may be back on the circuit next season with nothing rickety about her except her name. Soon after the fall fairs were over last year Ann's owner observed with dismay that most of the 75-cent oats he was feeding her took a back track and came out of her nose. Flabbergasted at this peculiar leakage, he called in the plumber, and when that expert gave it up he led the old mare around to Dr. Franklin Du Bois Smith's veterinary hospital, where they chloroform animals that are beyond repair. Dr. Smith, on examining Ann, found one of her upper molars had dropped out, leaving a hole which extended to her nostril. He consulted with Dr. W. E. Walker, a dentist, and together they constructed a hard rubber tooth to fill the hole, fastening it in place by means of a bolt and a silver plate. The artificial tooth was so successful that Rickety Ann now eats like other horses and already looks like a winner at the fall fairs next year."—Doctor Ira Barker Dalziel, please write!

Last year the trotting stallion El Angelo 57039 passed from the ownership of D. W. Wallis to that of the Miller & Lux corporation, but when Mr. Wallis retired from the service of that concern some months ago he bought the horse back and placed him in the hands of D. A. Allen at the track at Newman, where he will make a limited stud season and be prepared for racing. An accident to one of his feet when he was a youngster prevented him from being trained to any amount as a colt, but the effects of this mishap have disappeared entirely and it is Allen's belief that he will be able to give him a highly creditable record this season. He has already gotten an excellent start on the road to fame as a speed sire, his first foal raced being the pacing filly Julia M. (2) 2:13¾, one of the best lassies of the age and gait to be found in the entire country last year. Allen will point her for her three-year-old engagements, and as she is absolutely sound she ought to be better than a two-ten wiggler this season by a good margin.

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Having sent the best pair of trotters that he owns to Lexington to be fitted for a campaign on the big line, Rodney MacKenzie evidently figures that there will not be enough racing in California to pay him to train an extensive stable to race here at home, so early this month all the horses owned by him at Pleasanton were ordered turned out with the exception of the stallions. The youngsters of racing age having futurity engagements in the coast classics will probably be taken up again later in ample time to get them ready for the fall meetings at which the stakes will be raced. The yearlings that have just been broken are a classy lot and while every one of them showed plenty of natural inclinations to go fast at one gait or the other, the especial pride of the stable seemed to be centered in the Joe Patchen II—Zombro Belle colt, who is a trotter of the first degree from all present indications. The let-up on the MacKenzie stable does not mean that Boss Charley DeRyder will have to apply to the government free employment bureau for a job, however, as the MacKenzie interests require a good deal of looking after just the same, and C. L. has a pretty extensive stable of his own in hand, whose training will be continued and a number of whose members will go to the races in the west.

Gahagan's Story of Cresceus 2:02 1-4

An interesting item of news drifted to this country from war-torn Russia a few days ago in the belated announcement of the death of the former world's champion trotter, Cresceus 2:02¼. For some months various stories have been circulated in regard to the champion, one being copied generally in the daily press to the effect that the stallion had been impressed for military use in one of the armies of the Czar, but this proved to be without foundation. The news of his death, however, is apparently authentic, coming from the American trainer, Frank Caton, who has spent years in Russia and is naturally in touch with harness horse affairs in the land of the Cossacks.

Cresceus was bred and raced to his record by George Ketcham, of Toledo, formerly more or less prominent in theatrical affairs, owning a theater in his home city and managing several others in cities in the central states. Ketcham took up the racing of trotters as a method of regaining his health, and owned the stallion Robert McGregor 2:17½, a star trotter back in the days of the high-wheel sulky, when he was known as "The Monarch of the Home Stretch." Ketcham mated a mare named Mabel with Robert McGregor, and the produce foaled in 1894 was the chestnut colt afterward to be known as Cresceus and at one time to be crowned as the greatest trotter of all time. So little was thought of the youngster in his early days that at one time his owner ordered an employee to destroy him, the disobedience of the employee saving a future champion of the turf.

Right from the start Cresceus proved himself a real bulldog trotter. When he was a three-year-old, Ketcham raced him against aged horses, among other events participating in a long-drawn-out battle at Ft. Wayne, which developed into the fastest eight-heat race ever trotted, the youngster winning out over a high class racing field of aged horses, including such stars as The Monk 2:05¾ and Eagle Flannigan 2:07½. Cresceus won the sixth, seventh and eighth heats, his final mile in 2:11¼ still being the world's record for an eighth heat. This race stamped the colt as a wonderful trotter; subsequent seasons proved him to be a real champion.

Cresceus was the real John L. Sullivan of the harness turf; his owner never side-stepped any opponent, pitted him against any and all comers over any track where the money was hung up and the bulldog trotter from Toledo was never found wanting. His greatest race was a match with The Abbott 2:03¼ at the Brighton Beach track in 1901. "Pop" Geers at that time had charge of the Village Farm stable of C. J. Hamlin and piloted The Abbott in his match with the "yellow horse." The first heat was a battle between the pair all the way, Cresceus winning in 2:03¼, but The Abbott went all to pieces in the next round and was shut out when Cresceus finished in 2:06¼. The first heat stood as the best heat by a trotter for eight years, Hamburg Belle lowering the mark to 2:01¼ in the match race with Uhlan at North Randall in 1909.

Previous to his match with The Abbott Cresceus over the Glenville track at Cleveland had set the trotting record at 2:02¾ in a trial against the watch, and at that same season he cut this to 2:02¼ at Columbus. This stood as the best for two seasons, when Lou Dillon appeared and, aided by a runner in front, a method which is now tabooed by the turf authorities, set the trotting record at 1:58½. Even such an iron-sided horse as Cresceus could not stand up under the continued hard campaigns and the champion stallion was on the down grade. During the season that Lou Dillon wrested his championship laurels from him, he was subjected to unmerited disgrace on account of the notorious attempt to "put across" a faster record for him at Wichita, Kansas. In his previous exhibition miles that season the king had shown that he was far from being in championship form. When the report was sent out that he had trotted the Wichita track in 1:59¾, doubt was at once cast upon the performance by those familiar with the condition of the horse.

An investigation was ordered by the turf authorities, with the result that the plot was discovered and the track and timers expelled. Ketcham, however had excellent legal talent to look after his interests before the board of appeals and he was exonerated. The record, of course, was refused, the best evidence being that the mile was trotted somewhere around 2:05.

Sometime afterward Cresceus passed under the hammer at one of the Madison Square Garden sales in New York and was purchased by M. W. Savage, owner of Dan Patch, for $21,000. As an exhibition horse, however, the star of the famous Toledo trotter was on the wane, and as he had proved himself almost an absolute failure in the stud, an offer from Russia was snapped up by Savage and the stallion king became an expatriate. In Russia Cresceus was more successful as a sire and many of his get have shown well over there, but in the United States it will be the record of his wonderful achievements on the turf that will give him a niche of prominence in the hall of fame of the harness horse.

Faster trotters have appeared than Cresceus; he never possessed the wonderful flights of speed which Uhlan and Lou Dillon could display; he did not have the individuality to attract the crowd, such as is possessed by the present day stallion king, The Harvester, but as a racing machine of courage, stamina and speed combined, usually racing under adverse conditions, the harness turf has never seen his like. The pity is that he was allowed "to lag superfluous on the stage" when it was apparent to all that his day had passed and the saddest feature of all was the blot placed upon his escutcheon by the affair at Wichita.—Tom Gahagan, in the Western Horseman.

Thoroughbred Matters

EDWARD CEBRIAN'S STUD.

While the organization last summer of the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association and the staging of its inaugural race meeting at the exposition track was the means of awakening a good deal of interest in the thoroughbred and the increase of holdings in horseflesh of this kind on the part of numerous California sportsmen, none have gone at the matter in a more enthusiastic and extensive way than has Mr. Edward Cebrian of this city, who has through numerous purchases assembled one of the most pretentious studs in the west. Some months ago Mr. Cebrian purchased of Al Joseph of this city the stallion Von Tromp and a number of highbred mares, augmenting this band more recently by a draft from the Oakwood Stock Farm of Lawrence & Comstock, including the handsome son of Star Ruby—Ladybug, Tim Payne, the last arrivals bringing his brood mare holdings well along toward the storied "three score and ten" mark.

Wishing to have his breeding and training operations conducted at a point easy of access to San Francisco and having no realty of his own in this radius suitable for the establishment of a stock farm, Mr. Cebrian leased the San Jose Driving Park from the Campbell estate and assembled his horses at that well equipped plant. There, with that well known horseman, Al Ferrell, as superintendent and trainer, he hopes to breed and develop many youngsters who will carry his colors to the front on American tracks both east and west. That he has laid an excellent foundation for the fulfilment of this desire is evident when the quality of his stud is considered, as both mares and stallions spring from the best families known to the running turf. Von Tromp, whose services will be used much more extensively than those of his stable mate, Tim Payne, is of the rugged, substantial type and is one of the best bred horses in America, being a son of the mighty Ben Brush (sire among many others of the famous stake winner Broomstick, who earned in excess of seventy-five thousand dollars during his career on American tracks), while his dam, Cinderella by Hermit, also produced Peter Pan, who carried the colors of James R. Keene to victory so frequently some eight or ten years ago. Himself a very fast horse, Von Tromp gave an excellent account of himself for his opportunities, and while his stud advantages have been very slight he has demonstrated that he is a sire of coming fame, three youngsters by him, Illuminator, Recluse and San Leandro, having proven winning two-year-olds during the season last passed. That he will now have an excellent chance to demonstrate his true worth is readily gleaned from a cursory inspection of the class of mares to which he will have access under his new ownership, the following "samples" having been taken at random from the assembly of seventy now at San Jose:

Rosegal by Galveston—Roseamonde by Ormonde.
Ishtar by Sam Lucas—Isiac by Roseberry.
Isolation by George Kessler—Fair Recluse by Gailliard.
Bonsetta by Masetto—Bon Bon by Hindoo.
DuBarry by imp. St. George—Palmetto by Virgil.
Candlewick by imp. Candlemas—Intrepid by Hindoo.
Andrewetta by St. Andrew—Princess Noretti by Emperor of Norfolk.
Jourdain by imp. Watercress—The Dome by imp. Maxim.
Modesia by Canopus—Moderocia by Sir Modred.
Ruth W. by imp. King's Counsel—Letter B. by Erdenheim.
Lottie Creed by Hammon—My Fair Kentucky by Ingoldsby.
Mammy by Sempronius—Manola Mason by Top Gallant.
Ledatrix by Brutus—Ledette by Nathan Coombs.
Dally by Giganteum—Dal by imp. Mortemer.
Tendercrest by imp. Gold Crest—imp. Tenderness by Roseberry
Zalordea by imp. Chesterfield—La Palada by Verano.
Chico by Gotham—Blue Dress by Enquirer.
Alondra by Emperor of Norfolk—Vera 2nd by Verano.
Foul Play by Foul Shot—Theresia by Duke of Montrose.
Trained Nurse by Yo El Rey—Santa Rosa by Wheatley.
Dod Anderson by The Commoner—Leora by Leonatus.
Cricket by imp. Chesterfield—Miss Boggs by Joe Hooker.
Bertola by imp. Albert—Bonnie Ola by Elkwood.
Gottleiben by Rubicon—Seraphine by Emperor of Norfolk.
Helen Atkins by Kingston—Hazel W. by imp. The Sailor Prince.
Sister Modred by Sir Modred—Sister to Jim Douglas by Wildidle.
Calonia by Amigo—Martina 2nd by The Hook.
Amadora by Gano—Armada by Crichton.
La Sinaloa by Emperor of Norfolk—Janora by Grinstead.
Katherine Ennis by Bonnie Joe—Night Shade by Free Knight.
Palisada by Gano—Formosa by Rutherford.
Sula H. by Rubicon—Sebastiana by Foul Shot.
Arcadia Belle by Emperor of Norfolk—Annabell by Friar Tuck.
La Poeta by Honduras—Paola by Rutherford.
Sain Shot by Sain—Belle Shot by Foul Shot.
Escarola by Amigo—Colonias by Emperor of Norfolk.
Illusion by Mesmerist—Marmerica by Duke of Montrose.
Mi Reina by Santiago—Leola by Lead On.
Zorita by Cerito 2nd—Savannah by Grinstead.
Ardiente by Gano—Sister Annie by imp. Glenelg.
Directa by Vinctor—Santa Zoleda by Gabo.
Charm II by imp. Mariner—Charm by imp Cheviot.
Future Bright by Ben Brush—Palianthus by Springbok.
Symphorien Castle by St. Symphorien—imp. Castle Hill by Forager.
Zenana by Kismet—Cimeter by Hyder Ali.
Saleska by Salvation—Escarola by Amigo.

Mr. Cebrian's advent to the ranks of California's breeders of the thoroughbred has been widely welcomed, and the progress of his operations will be watched with much interest. In addition to the stallions and mares limited to the breeding ranks he owns a few younger things of quality which will be raced in the western meetings of the present season, but he plans to rely entirely upon his own products when once the first crop comes to racing age ,and hopes—and believes—that by that time the state of California will have joined the roster of enlightened communities where a racing commission and the use of the pari-mutual are everyday affairs.

Here's hoping, Mr. Cebrian!

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Memories of the militant suffragettes in England, whose activities have subsided to a noticeable extent since the beginning of the great war, were refreshed last week when press dispatches bore the announcement that the King of England had presented to the Canadian government, for use in breeding remounts, the thoroughbred stallion Anmer. In 1913 Anmer was leading the field in the English Derby at Epsom Downs when a Miss Davidson, a "suff" of the violent type, rushed out upon the course and grabbed the bridle reins close to the bit, throwing the horse and rider directly in the path of the big field. Crushed under the weight of Anmer and struck by the feet of others in their headlong flight, death rather than the franchise was the reward of the woman's temerity. In the words of Colonel Marmaduke Ruggles, "Such things would never do with us."

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A number of A. Kingsley Macomber's recently imported English youngsters are entered in the juvenile stakes at the spring meeting of the Kentucky Association, which attracted a high class lot of young things throughout. The Macomber candidates have been in the capable hands of Walter B. Jennings down in Carolina since their arrival last fall and have progressed nicely in every way since coming to America. They are grandly bred boys and girls and will doubtless give good accounts of themselves when they face the barrier in Kentucky.

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E. R. Bradley of the Idle Hour Stud, Lexington, who follows the practice of giving his two-year-olds names beginning with the letter B, has claimed a record half dozen this time in Believe Me Boys, Bell Cow, Bit of a Devil, Bully Good Time, Broom-Sweep and Breathing Spell. As might be said, Believe Me Boys, even if I am a Bit of a Devil, a Breathing Spell is mighty acceptable after trailing the Bell Cow through a regular Broom-Sweep of a Bully Good Time. Don't shoot, I'll come down!

The extensive stable of thoroughbreds from Nevada Stock Farm which has been in training at Pleasanton Driving Park since the close of the meeting of the Golden Gate Thoroughbred Breeders' Association last September was shipped home this week, Honeywood to take his place as head of the stud at the Wingfield establishment and the other members of the lot to continue their education over the Reno course, where they will be raced at the spring meeting. Ed Davis, who has had charge of them since the departure of Trainer George Strate and the older members of the farm's campaigners for the New Orleans meeting in December, has made nice progress with everything he has handled and at their final tryouts over the Pleasanton track all could show a highly gratifying amount of whizz. Superintendent George Berry, for many years in charge of the racing operations of A. B. Spreckels, came over from Reno to say hello to his host of local friends and acquaintances and look after the final details of the shipment. Skeer Face, mentioned last week as Nevada Stock Farm's candidate for this year's Kentucky Derby, was sold a few days ago at New Orleans for the nice sum of eight thousand dollars, and while Mr. Wingfield was rather reluctant to part with him even at that figure he is confident that he has more coming along that will be just as good. Foals are already appearing at the farm and about thirty-five in all are expected before the season ends, while an even larger number will put in appearance in 1916.

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Sandy McNaughton, well known here on this coast, has taken over the engagements of the Von Tromp two-year-olds bred by Parker Whitney of this city, acting in the transaction as agent for Mrs. McNaughton. The youngsters, which are nine in number, are named in this year's Futurity and are distinguished by the following descriptions:

Palisade, b f by Von Tromp—Andrewetta by St. Andrew.
Brooklyn, b c by Von Tromp—Bonsetta by Masetto.
Chelsea, b c by Von Tromp—Candlewick by imp. Candlemas.
Hudson, b c by Von Tromp—DuBarry by imp. St. George.
Harlem, b c by Von Tromp—Jourdain by imp. Watercress.
Manhattan, br f by Von Tromp—Modesia by Canopus.
Riverside, ch c by Von Tromp—Rosegal by Galveston.
Riverdale—br c by Von Tromp—Ruth W. by imp. King's Counsel.
Spinster, bl f by Von Tromp—Spinosa.

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As a sample of the "sportsmanship" evident in the ranks of Blue Grass horsemen we take pleasure in citing the following instance: Some weeks ago former President Catesby Woodford of the Kentucky Association resigned and his successor was to be chosen at a special meeting of the directors two weeks ago today. Vice-President O. H. Chenault presided, and when nominations were called for A. B. Hancock presented the name of ex-Senator J. N. Camden, chairman of the Kentucky racing commission and owner of Hartland Stud, while Hal Price Headley nominated Mr. Chenault. The resultant ballot was a tie, and Mr. Chenault promptly settled that little matter by casting his vote for Mr. Camden.

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A bit of fresh renown was attracted to California thoroughbreds recently at New Orleans when the Chantilly—Antioch filly Aunt Liz, bred at El Palomar and running in the colors of that establishment, put the track record for the half mile at :47 2-5, winning by several lengths and showing so impressively that she was the center of a runner-up attack, the price going to four hundred and five dollars over the figure at which she was entered.

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The Marta Santas tried to make a day of it recently at New Orleans, taking four out of the six races carded for one afternoon. The imported son of Martley—Luxette, now in service at Walter S. Payne's Mapleton Farm near Lexington, has ranked among the ten leading sires of America for the last few seasons while his get have proved winners on the tracks of England, Australia and France also.

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Unless something went radically wrong at the last minute, thoroughbred racing in Arkansas was revived today at Hot Springs, when a twenty-one day "businessmen's meeting" was to be inaugurated at Oaklawn course.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

FOUR HUNDRED AND TWELVE REGISTERED TOURNAMENTS.

The Interstate Association through Secretary E. Reed Shaner has sent a complete list of 412 tournaments registered so far. These include the four Interstate Association Handicap tournaments and the seven tourneys that were announced in a bulletin issued February 19th.

The whole list will hardly prove of vital interest to Pacific Coast shooters and we therefore pick up only the ones that will be staged out here. They are—

Ogden, Utah—March 17th, Utah State Sportsmen's Association, A. R. Bain, Secretary.

Bingham, Utah—May 5th, Utah State Association.

Los Angeles, Cal—May 8, 9, Vernon Gun Club, Wm. Pugh, Manager.

San Jose, Cal.—May 28, 29, 30, San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

Chehalis, Wash.—May 30, Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, Gus T. Thacker, President.

Portland, Ore.—June 5, 6, 7, Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest Tournament, under auspices of Portland Gun Club, Frank Templeton, Secretary.

Eureka, Cal.—July 4th, Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President.

Tacoma, Wash.—July 18, 19, 20, 21, Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary.

COURSING MEET IS POSTPONED.

If the weather will permit, the members of the Buffalo Coursing Club are planning to hold a meet at Galt tomorrow, March 12th. The various dogs that will be entered in the meet are in condition as their owners have been putting them through their paces for the past two weeks. The proposed Capital City Coursing meet has been postponed, probably until March 19th.

All entries for next Sunday's meet will cost $2.50. No dogs, regardless of size or breed, are barred from participation. Sunday will be the last time the famous Pepper Kid, one of Sacramento's best canines, will appear in a coursing meet.

Information regarding the meet can be secured from A. G. Cases, 1827 Twenty-first street.

The officials of the coming meet follow: A. B. Cases, president; H. J. Humbert, vice-president; Thomas Kennedy, judge; Jack Maley, slipper; "Doc" Young, assistant slipper.

Such dogs as Cordova Girl, Buffalo Girl, Sweet Alice and Fighting Little will take part in the meet. Cases will also enter his unnamed dog, recently imported by him from France, in Sunday's competition.

ARGUMENT OVER JACK RABBITS.

Is the common Fresno county jack rabbit a member of the order of rodentia or that of lagomorpha?

To the average person it makes little difference, perhaps, to which order bunny has the honor of belonging, but it is a matter of vital importance to the rabbit.

Hunters of Fresno county insist that he belongs to the order of rodentia, which would classify him as a rodent and make him a predatory animal. The Fish and Game Commission, however, insists that he is of the order of lagomorpha, and of the family of leporidae, which brings the rabbit into the classification of game animals.

No license is required to hunt predatory animals but a license is required to hunt game animals.

The Fish and Game Commission uses the classification of Joseph Grinnell, director of the museum of vertebrate zoology of the University of California, a classification that is said to be accepted by all authorities.

EAGLES ARE TRAPPED AT NAPA.

Lester Walker last week trapped an eagle in the Napa redwoods that measured seven feet from tip to tip. The eagle was caught in ordinary steel trap set for coyotes and put up such a terrible fight that it had to be killed before the trap could be approached.

This makes the second eagle that has been taken lately in coyote traps. Only last week an eagle measuring seven feet four inches was trapped on the A. A. Watson place at Napa Junction.

Eagles and coyotes this year are causing much damage for the sheep men.

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A rabbit drive, organized by the farmers of the Round Mountain district, was staged the other day, resulting in the destruction of about one thousand rabbits, which have been destroying the young vines in that neighborhood. The plan originated with August Gandrau, who was the marshal of the day, and he was ably assisted by Allen Hill, R. W. Edmiston, W. T. Burnetti, M. G. Vernon, W. Fiddes, Hartly, Oscar Bacon, M. W. Bacon and the three Pierson brothers. About forty-five men with guns started from the gardner ranch at 9 o'clock and drove in a westerly course toward the Fairview school house, where a lunch was served at noon, after which the party drove back again toward the place of beginning. A prize of $10 was offered for the party bringing in the largest number of ears and it was won by Allen Hill, with S. L. Netzer a close second. Hill had fifty sets and Netzer thirty-five sets of ears. The farmers voted the drive a success and concluded to have another in two weeks.

The only accident mentioned was the blowing off of the end of the shotgun used by Vincent Hutchings, but no one was injured. R. H. Bailey attempted to navigate a jitney back to Sanger for some of the parties that could not go out with the first load, and got stalled on the top of the hill at the double bridges, where he waited in the rain until help arrived and pulled him out.

BIG YEAR FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

This starts like a big year in fish game lines. The last rain came at just the right time to assure big breedings. The streams are high and big runs of steelheads are going up all the water systems of the Southland.

Last year was the best all-around year for the sportsmen, considering the number to enjoy fishing and hunting, that Southern California ever saw, and every present indication points to better sport for an even larger number in 1916.

Fish and game is rapidly becoming one of our leading industries.

A rather interesting sidelight upon the plenty of game in Southern California is the steadily increasing demand for smaller bore guns shown by sportsmen in this section. As game grows more plentiful and limits are reduced men everywhere are turning to some means of gaining pleasure by prolonging the time of their bag, and this placing of an added premium upon skill by the use of less shot is most popular.

A steady improvement is noted in the efficiency of the small-gauge shotguns turned out by our leading maker, the average increasing to such a degree with modern boring experience that a man can get a good 20-gauge nowadays with a little effort, while a few years ago it was exceedingly hard to pick up one passably good with any size of shot.—Los Angeles Express.

BIRDS RETURN TO BATTLEFIELDS.

The Associated Press correspondent in France writes:

Bird life along the battle front appears to have been little disturbed by the continual thundering of the guns. Birds disappeared from the war zone after the battle of the Marne, and some naturalists attributed their migration to the din of war. They came back again, however, and little by little accustomed themselves to the noise of explosives and even find an advantage in being close to the conflict where there is ample nourishment around the soldiers' quarters. Doves and wild pigeons are the most abundant, while there are many cuckoos, thrushes, crows, magpies and jays. Starlings are very common, nesting in trees as close as they find them in the trenches.

Monsieur Louis Rousseau, a well known ornithologist, has discovered that the war has changed the character of these birds and made them thrifty. He has found their nests in the holes of dead oaks, with a provision of bread crumbs stored away prudently underneath. Doves fly about between the two lines, paying no attention to the bursting shrapnel; and none of them appear to be afraid of either aeroplanes, observation balloons or dirigibles.

ASTOR CUP RIFLE MATCH.

The attention of school clubs is called to the Astor Cup Match, entries for which will close April 1st. The match is open to teams of ten members from any schoolboy club. The five highest scores will count for the team's record score. A club can enter more than one team, but entry fee must be paid for each team. A competitor, however, cannot shoot on more than one occasion.

In making entry the team should submit the names of suitable parties to act as judge and witness for the shooting.

The entrance fee is $2 and entries will not be accepted unless the fee acmompanies the entry. The match is to be shot on home ranges during the period between April 15th and 30th. Scores not turned in by May 10th will not be considered.

If your school desires to enter the competition, kindly forward notice to the Assistant Recorder and Secretary, National Rifle Association.

DATE SET FOR KENNEL SHOW.

The Golden Gate Kennel Club will hold its seventh annual dog show April 26, 27, and 28. Walter H. Reeves, famous English terrier expert, will pass on all breeds. O. F. Vedder, Pacific Coast representative of the American Kennel Club, will manage the affair. A five point show is expected.

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Walter W. Stettheimer, owner of the Tellac fox terrier kennels at Redwood City, returned from New York City last week. Stettheimer was one of the many Californians to attend the Westminster show.

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Dr. T. Martin Smith will show his crack Boston terrier, "Art Smith," at the Golden Gate show. "Art" looped over every dog of his breed at the Exposition show and the Doctor expects him to duplicate the trick at the coming show.

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Matford Vic, a wire-haired fox terrier, won the highest honors in dogdom in this country by defeating two thousand dogs for the premier honor of best dog of any breed in the show. Vic has the honor of being the only dog to ever win the prize twice in succession. With Wire Boy of Paignton, her famous kennel mate, they won everything offered for wire-haired fox terriers.

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Fred M. Stephenson has bought from George B. Robertson the two Llewellin setter bitches, Polly Halifax and Miss Dan, both well known winners at field trials. Polly Halifax, we believe, is in whelp to Mr. Robertson's great stud dog, Prince Rodney's Count.

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R. L. Bettis has moved his Hy-Born kennels a little farther out of Fresno. He has some fine puppies out of Hy-Born Bells and claims that he has one that is almost a duplicate of her mother Belle, and also claims that he has one pup that is better than Hy-Born Belle. He lauds the richness of her tan and says that she is better in head, ear and bone. Hy-Born Belle was at the Panama-Pacific Exposition for seven months in the Dogs of All Nations concession.

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The California bred Airedale terrier, Crack Shot, owned by John M. Williams of this city, was shown at the great New York show a couple of weeks ago and was awarded the special prize for the best American bred Airedale, defeating among others York Master Key, heretofore considered invincible in American bred classes. Mr. Williams made the trip East especially to show the Easterners what California could do in Airedale breeding. Crack Shop is only a puppy and will make the older dogs go some to beat him on his return home.

LORDLY PEACOCK PIECE DE RESISTANCE.

New York City.—A lordly peacock furnished the piece deresistance at the dinner given at the Waldorf Astoria Hotel March 6 in connection with the annual conference on game breeding. The bird came from Kentucky, and was the gift of Mr. R. A. Chiles, a well known attorney of that State, who maintains at his home near Mt. Sterling, a model game and poultry farm. Oscar, the Waldorf's celebrated maitre d'hotel, asserts that a peacock presents no problem to the Waldorf's chefs and that an ostrich, tinamou, or dodo bird could be handled with equal success were they procurable.

Permission was given the American Game Protective Association by Colonel Anthony R. Kuser and the New York Zoological Society to show at the conference colored stereopticon slides of pheasants made from plates used to illustrate the monumental work on the pheasants of the world which is being prepared under the direction of the Zoological Society by C. William Beebe. It will be in four volumes and will be sold for $250.

The expense of collecting the material for this work and its publication, amounting to more than $100,000, is being borne by Colonel Kuser. This will be the first public exhibition of these slides. The paintings from which they were made are the work of the foremost American and English artists. The slides were shown on the afternoon of March 6th in connection with a talk on practical pheasant breeding by E. A. Quarles, director of the Association's Department of Game Breeding and Preserving.

Washington, D. C.—At a meeting on Friday evening, February 18th, of the Executive Committee of the District of Columbia Rifle Association, held at the headquarters of the National Rifle Association in the Woodward Building, there were present representatives from 25 organized clubs and from clubs in process of organization in the Interstate Commerce Commission, the Washington Board of Trade and from several divisions of the Department of Agriculture.

Captain Harllee, president of the Association, announced that clubs were in process of organization also in the Government Printing Office, Department of Commerce, Southern Railway Building, and Bureau of Printing and Engraving, and that other clubs would be organized in due time.

Requisitions for ammunitions from all the clubs present were collected and the ammunition will be delivered in one lot at the Marine Corps rifle range at Winthrop, Md.

Sportsmen's Row

John H. Rosseter is confident that the grand sport of coursing will return to popularity. He is giving his support and interest to the revival that is taking place in Sacramento. Mr. Rosseter owned some of the most famous greyhounds in the world.

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C. L. DeRyder, the popular manager of the Pleasanton race track, is an enthusiastic hunter. He had great sport the past season with his dog and gun up in the hills near Pleasanton.

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Al Cook was up country last week and found a lot of activity at Sacramento in the organization of a new blue rock club. E. O. Putzman, 1122 Tenth street, Sacramento, is one of the workers in getting the new club started.

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Ed Hoag is keeping his shooting arm in shape by bowling on the San Mateo Elks' team. He says that he will be in shape for a strenuous hunting trip up in Tehama county in the fall.

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What about O. N. Ford's idea for an interclub shoot this summer? The plan has been given publicity throughout the country. The Golden Gaters are willing to go in, so says Bill Price, and Sacramento, Martinez and the other clubs should fall in line.

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Edward C. Crossman, secretary of the Los Angeles Rifle and Revolver Club, announces that on the nineteenth of March, which will come on a Sunday, the club's best marksmen will engage in a rifle match with the best shooters from the Turners. A silver trophy will be presented by Wild Bill Ruess to the local club making the highest score.

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The Youghiogheny Country Club has been selected as a place for one of the big all-day shoots of the League of Western Pennsylvania. The day has not been set by the League, but it will be some time during the month of May and a big time is being looked for. The next shoot at the Country Club will be on March 18th.

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The new live bird champion of Philadelphia, Earle B. Melrath, is a prominent member of the Keystone Shooting Association of Philadelphia. He held the championship trophy during a part of 1915, winning it from Joseph H. Graves at Delaware Water Gap last spring, and last October lost to Graves in a shoot at Manoa. Melrath will be called upon to defend his trophy and championship title. J. P. Reitz of Winfield, a member of the Milton Sportsmen's Association of Milton, who lost out by losing his twentieth bird, will most likely be the challenger.

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The next meeting of the Washington State Fish and Game Commissioners' and Wardens' Association will be held in Tacoma on December 11th next. At the first annual meeting of the association, which was held in Spokane, E. J. Merryman of Kittitas county was elected president for the ensuing year and Clay Fruit of Okanogan county and H. M. Fisher of Clallam county, vice-presidents.

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John F. Short of Foster, Ore., one day recently, took to the county clerk's office of his county the skins of one coyote, four cougars and ten wildcats, on which he received a bounty of $121.50. In the killing of the enemies of game Mr. Short is evidently no slouch, but a man of high rank in this class of business.

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Judge Harold M. Ball is perhaps the luckiest shot with a shotgun in Woodland. While hunting for jack rabbits with Harold Rehmke, Ball spied one of the long-eared bunnies hopping through the brush. He jumped up on a log to get a shot, and as he did so the log gave way and the Judge fell. The gun was discharged, however, and a blackbird fell from the sky. Soon afterward Ball saw another jack running ahead of Rehmke's dog. He took a shot, missed his mark, but succeeded in placing a few shots in one of the dog's feet.

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Splashing is not supposed to be the best thing in the world for a fisherman to do, but in Gatun lake, Panama, fish crowd around in large numbers whenever the surface is disturbed, the explanation being that they find their richest food on the limbs of water-killed trees, which are continually breaking off and falling. "Green" visitors are often convinced that the fish in Gatun lake will come to answer to a call, the call being a splash made with a dough ball at the end of a pole and line.

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The Fresno Rifle and Revolver Club, a new organization which has been affiliated with the National Rifle Association, is making an appeal to the business men of Fresno to support the preparedness program and is further conducting a campaign for membership. Facilities have been arranged at Herndon and Laton for ranges and provision has been made for an indoor range at Fresno. Expert rifle and pistol shots are directing the training of the club members. They are not subject to compulsory military service.

Clarence A. Haight, the "Daddy of trap-shooting on the Pacific Coast," is back from his Eastern trip. He had a great time and reports that the sport allurring is booming across the Rockies. Mr. Haight also sees bright prospects for the game out here this season.

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Capt. W. A. Simonton, well known out here, recently had the good fortune to win a complimentary shoot at Wilmington, in which the salesmen of the DuPont company participated. He beat Gilbert, Hank Stephens and a number of good shots.

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Billy Price has nothing but regrets because he cannot go to Salinas to enjoy the big doings. The Salinas bunch always do things up proper. As it is Billy is going over with the Alameda Elks.

SAN JOSE GETS STATE SHOOT.

"This is to advise you that the San Jose Blue Rock Club has been awarded the California-Nevada tournament in accordance with your letter of January 26, the tournament to be of dates May 28, 29 and 30, and practice day May 27."

The above wire, which was received Wednesday by O. N. Ford, secretary and manager of the San Jose Blue Rock Club, gives to San Jose the largest shoot of the season in California—an event which is expected to attract a large number of shooters. Los Angeles was in the field for the state shoot but San Jose won out on her more central location.

The officers of the local club are: George H. Anderson, president; Clem R. Arques, vice-president; O. N. Ford, secretary-manager; Charles Nash, A. F. Baumgartner, E. W. Jack, R. C. Hogg, William McKagney, Dr. A. M. Barker, board of directors.

Next Sunday a squad of five of the club's best shooters will go to Salinas to shoot with the Salinas Rodeo Gun Club and the following week the local stars will make the trip to San Francisco to shoot at the dedication of the new Golden Gate Gun Club's clubhouse.

Salinas Rodeo Gun Club.—In a letter to W. P. Price, Henry W. Collins announces a big time at Salinas tomorrow. His letter follows:

"Friend Billy: This club will hold its opening shoot on Sunday, March 12th. We will have one big time. A real old-fashioned Monterey county barbecue, with plenty of other good things. We have installed a new Leggitt trap—and have ordered all the other necessaries to make this a most successful shoot. Invitations have been sent to the following clubs: Hollister, Santa Cruz, Watsonville, Saratoga, San Jose, Monterey and Pacific Grove.

"As the roads are in good shape we expect quite a crowd and have made all arrangements to accomodate one hundred shooters. We want you to be with us at this shoot and as many of your friends who wish to enjoy a good day's sport.

"Expecting the pleasure of your company on the above mentioned date, I am,

"Yours truly, HENRY W. COLLINS."

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Alameda Elks.—The newly organized Alameda Elks Club will stage its initial shoot on the Golden Gate grounds Sunday, March 12th. A large membership has been enrolled and the boys are figuring on turning out in round numbers. A batch of beginners will put in an appearance and a big day is promised.

SHARK-CATCHING A FINE ART.

Mr. G. F. D. Morgan of Bondi has reduced shark-catching to a fine art. He is an ardent sportsman, who believes in giving his prey a sporting chance, even though it be a shark. Mr. Morgan has for some time indulged in the hobby of shark-catching by the old method, namely, meeting force with force. This, of course, is lacking in the first principles of sport, so, armed with a two-piece split cane tuna rod, fitted with a 6-in. Hardy reel, 600 yards of 24-cord Cuttyhunk line (breaking strain, 48 lbs.), at 12-0 Bartlett hook, a long piece of piano wire for an end trace, and an 8-oz. sinker, with grappler, he decided to try his skill single-handed.

Since then Mr. Morgan has, with the same gear, landed sharks over 10 feet long. The point is that the majority of our rod men, who are unable, through lack of time or money, to try their hand at the big game fish (tuna and king-fish), can obtain all the sport they could desire on almost any of our beaches by following Mr. Morgan's example, besides rendering a great public service by ridding our beaches of these monsters.

Mr. Morgan grades sharks according to their fighting abilities, as under: The Black Whaler, an easy first; is fast and strong, and game up to the last. The Blue and Grey Pointers are also rattling good fighters. The Grey Nurse is not so good, and the Wobbigong no good.

The shark season starts with the salmon about the middle of October, and extends to the end of December, during which they can be caught on any of our beaches on a clear, calm night. A 30 foot or 40 foot cast into 5 foot or 6 foot of water is quite sufficient. Salmon is the best bait, but, failing that, mullet will do. The weight of a shark of fair size runs from 300 to 500 pounds, so one can see the great skill and care required in landing the fish through the surf and backwash on a line, the breaking strain of which is 48 pounds.—Sydney Referee.

Vernon Club.—With the wind sweeping across the traps, making the clay birds find a fall or rise, and gently hinting to the shooters not in action to seek the warmth of the clubhouse, the Billy Wilshire unique trophy was contested for at the Vernon Gun Club for the eighteenth time at distance handicaps.

Heinie Pfirrmann, the "shootin' Dutchman," shot from twenty yards, and after the fun was over the scorer announced that the trophy had been tied for between Pfirrmann and Charlie White, each with a score of 49x50.

The two went to their respective handicap marks immediately, each with determination written on his face and a box of twenty-five shells in his pocket.

Neither had won a leg on the trophy, and getting this near to it naturally made him all the more determined.

White has been shooting a good deal of late and hails from down Compton way. He had it on Pfirrmann in the handicap line, shooting from seventeen yards, while Pfirrmann was—well, back near the fence!

They started firing. Bird after bird dropped. All was still, no noise being heard but the guns' reports and the shooters' call "Pull."

The shooters continued firing, the birds being shattered one by one; none escaped the hot fire of the German person or the gentleman from Compton until the fifth frame was started. Then they both missed a bird. Pfirrmann missed another, swore and shot again and killed the bird and killed the next one, making his score 23x25. White's score stood 24x25, and he was declared the winner of the week for the trophy. More power to him.

Despite the cold, strong gale that swept through the club grounds Sunday, forty-two local bluerock crushers were ready for the first advance to the firing line. Over 4000 targets were thrown and a number of class A scores hung up.

Frank Nichols, who hasn't shot for some time, according to all local score sheets, was among those present Sunday, and wherever he has been he has certainly picked up in his scoring, breaking forty-eight out of fifty without half trying.

Robert Bole, well known as a manufacturer of oil machinery, again visited the club, bringing along his repeating blunderbuss. He took heed of a sideliner's warning and hugged his gun more, and bored twenty-two out of twenty-five in the open event. The Hoegee company was well represented on the grounds, both Bill Dougherty and Fred Grewell being there.

That well known rifle shot, Ed Crossman, was also among those present and insisted on shooting a 20-gauge gun along with his old pal, "Red" Hedderly, who proved the best shot with the small-bore gun, breaking 61 out of 75. The scores:

Wilshire trophy event—

Shooter—	Hdcp.	Targ.	Bke.
Forest	18	50	44
Vories	16	50	44
Mandervill	16	50	43
Bruner	20	50	40
Peterson	17	50	41
Kunz	18	50	42
Richter	18	50	38
Famechon	18	50	41
William Pugh	18	50	45
George Oliver	17	50	44
George Cline	16	50	38
Harry Cline	17	50	32
Lee Williams	19	50	40
L. D. Blanchard	19	50	45
Van Nest	16	50	33
J. C. Cline	16	50	37
K. C. Oliver	16	50	30
Hedderly	16	50	37
E. C. Crossman	16	50	37
O. Evans	18	50	42
J. F. Dodds	20	50	47
Fred Grewell	19	50	42
Harry Hoyt	17	50	46
Lou Mellus	20	50	42
Bill Dougherty	17	50	42
Frank Mellus	20	50	44
Steve Fullerton	17	50	38
Heine Pfirrmann	20	50	49
Foor	16	50	38
Mrs. Pfirrmann	16	50	38
C. E. Groat	16	50	41
Mrs. Groat	16	50	42
Meek	17	50	40
Dr. L. M. Packard	20	50	43
Adams	16	50	44
George Mlford	17	50	42
T. P. Smith	17	50	44
Robert Bol	16	50	34
Charlie White	17	50	49
Frank Nichols	16	50	48

20-gauge shoot—Sheriff John Cline shot at 50, broke 37; Ed Hedderly 50—35, Ed Crossman 50—37.

Open event at 16 yards—

Forest 50—47, Vorries 50—44, Manderville 100—94, Pete Peterson 50—41, Kunz 125—103, Richter 100—89, Famechon 125—100, Bill Pugh 50—40, George Oliver 100—81, George Cline 50—33, Harry Cline 75—53, Lee Williams 50—46, Brown 50—47, Blanchard 75—68, Van Nest 50—35, J. C. Cline 50—35, K. C. Oliver 50—35, Ed Hedderly 75—61, Ed Crossman 75—51, O. Evans 50—39, J. F. Dodds 125—116, Fred Grewell 75—68, Harry Hoyt 50—46, Lou Mellus 50—43, Bill Dougherty 75—62, Frank Mellus 125—115, Steve Fullerton 75—54, Foor 50—34, Pfirrmann 75—70, Mrs. Pfirrmann 50—32, C. E. Groat 50—43, Mrs. Groat 50—37, Meek 50—37, Dr. Packard 25—25, George Melford 75—54, Bob Bole 25—22, Charlie White 50—47, Rollinson 25—19.

The San Francisco Fly-Casting Club will start the season in earnest next month. The date has not been definitely set as yet.

Portland Awarded Coast Handicap Shoot

TRAP-SHOOTERS' LEAGUE FORMED IN NORTHWEST

Portland, Ore.—Enthusiastic over the securing of the 1916 Pacific Coast Handicap trapshooting tournament, President A. W. Strowger of the Portland Gun Club stated that a big effort would be made to make this year's event the greatest ever staged in the west. Word that Portland was awarded the handicap was received in a telegram to H. R. Everding, ex-president of the local trap organization, from Elmer E. Shaner of the Interstate Association of Pittsburg.

The date of the tournament has not been decided upon, , but it will probably be held during the Rose Festival, when the local club will stage the annual Rose Festival championship shoot. The two biggest tournaments ever held on the coast were staged by the Portland club. In 1912, 126 shooters entered and in 1914 the entry list was 139.

The details of the program will be arranged as soon as the dates of the other registered tournaments, the local club will stage, are ratified by the Interstate Association.

Another announcement, which is of great interest to the blue rock breakers, was made by President Strowger, and that was the formation of a Northwestern Trapshooting League, an organization similar to the Philadelphia Trapshooting League. The Northwest league will be composed of Spokane, Seattle, Tacoma and Portland.

President Strowger stated that Tacoma was very much in favor of the league and Seattle will doubtless welcome the organization. According to the present plans, the clubs will shoot seven matches, beginning a week from Sunday, March 5, and closing just before the trapshooting tournament at Lewiston, Idaho. All members of each club will be eligible to shoot in the league matches, but only the scores of the five high shooters will count.

The third event of the series between the women shooters of the Portland Gun Club and the Spokane Club will bs shot March 12th.

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Golden Gate Club.—Local trapshooting enthusiasts are not going to be caught when the season opens in earnest out of practice. This was indicated by the big gathering that was on hand last Saturday and Sunday at the Golden Gate grounds. Despite the fact that it rained pretty much all day Saturday and a strong northwest wind was blowing on Sunday, the boys and a couple of lady shots were at the traps. Manager Pete Ashcroft has the new grounds in shipshape and work is progressing on the clubhouse that is in the course of construction.

The scores set up in practice were creditable, considering the adverse weather conditions. Barney Worthen was especially in good form for he smashed 92 birds out of a 100. In the same contest, Stahl broke 86, Hennessy 85, A. G. Wilkes 84, Roy Avery 83 and Mrs. A. G. Wilkes 79.

Valleau 47, Carman 43 and Martine 32 were the scores in a fifty-bird event. Dr. Topham led three companions in 100 birds with 87 breaks, while N. A. Howard and Orr scored 81 each and Lockhart 66. Out of fifty targets Chichester busted 42 while Frank Webster and "Pop" Best got 40 each. In another fifty event, Terry landed 45, Ed Garritt 41, Martine 38 and Mrs. Ed Garritt 29.

The club's opening monthly shoot will be held on Sunday, March 19th. The third Sunday in every month will be the club's regular time at the traps.

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Bay View Club.—The Bay View Club did not hold its monthly shoot last Sunday. There is a report current that the organization does not intend to be active this season. It was hoped that the three clubs in Alameda would keep the blue rocks humming this season and it may be that the Bay View boys will get busy later on when fair weather puts in an appearance for a permanent stay.

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San Jose Club.—In the opening club shoot of the San Jose Blue Rock Club last Sunday, O. N. Ford displayed sensational form in breaking 98 out of a 100 birds. The conditions for high scores were not the best, either, as a strong wind was in evidence.

Bobby ran the last 70 straight. Louis Baumgartner was second with 88 and Clem Arques third with 86. C. H. Nash, who finished fourth, finished with 30 straight hits.

Ford won the second amateur trapshooter's medal on the great score of 479 out of 500. Clem Arques took the third medal with 434 out of 500. M. O. Feudner and W. Ellis of San Francisco were down to break in their shoulders and Leo Thornton of San Jose did some good work with a new 20-gauge, hitting 62 clays out of 100.

Baumgartner and Arques defeated Anderson and Feudner in a special match by a margin of two birds.

It was announced that a squad of San Jose shooters would attend the opening shoot of the Golden Gate club, March 19. At that time the San Francisco shooters will dedicate their new clubhouse.

Sunday's scores follow: O. N. Ford 98, L. Baumgartner 88, C. R. Arques 86, C. H. Nash 84, Dr. Heidleburg 83, M. O. Feudner 82, E. C. Stamper 80, Geo. H. Anderson 80, William McKagney 80, R. C. Hogg 77, W. Ellis 75, A. Smith 70.



Probably the most important happening in the shooting world since the formation of the National Rifle Association is the recent incorporation of the American Amateur Trapshooters' Association for the purpose of providing an official supervisory body for the half-million shooters and nearly 5,000 trapshooting clubs in this country. The national officers of the association are as follows: John Philip Sousa of New York, President; Dr. Horace Betts, President Delaware State Sportsmen's Association, First Vice-President; Charles W. Billings of New Jersey, Captain of the trapshooting team which won for America in the Olympic Games at Stockholm, Second Vice-President; Professor James L. Kellogg of Williams, Third Vice-President; Stanley Frederic Withe, Secretary of the Intercollegiate Trapshooting Association, Secretary-Treasurer.

Coming as it does at the close of the most successful season in the history of trapshooting, the announcement of the new association is particularly timely, and though not at all unexpected by close followers of the sport, this latest development has for the moment taken precedence over all other topics among shotgun enthusiasts. In announcing the organization of the new association, Secretary Withe made this statement:

"Amateur shooters have long felt the need of a strictly amateur organization, directed by amateur sportsmen and in the interests of the amateur gunner. It is owing to the increasing sentiment that such an organization would prove of inestimable value to the sport and to the individual shooter that the A. A. T. A. has come into being. In addition to standardizing the rules governing the sport the association aims to increase interest in club shooting and to bring about a greater development of the individual shooter by instituting a system of medal and trophy awards. As soon as a shooter has scored breaks of 38 out of 50 targets he will be awarded a 75% of bronze, and so on as his skill increases until he has won the 95% medal of solid gold, each medal representing the association's official recognition of the degree of proficiency attained."

The headquarters of the association will be in Baltimore, Maryland, in charge of Secretary Withe.

Santa Ana Club.—A good attendance was present last Sunday at the regular shoot of the Santa Ana Blue Rock Club held on West Fifth street. Increasing interest in the doings of the club was manifested. Among participants and their scores were the following:

E. Ross shot at 10, broke 10; A. Slaback 30—28. Evans 50—40, P. Knoff 25—22, C. Burr 10—8, Felt 15—12, F. Leonard 50—45, E. Frambes 30—22, T. Rainey 25—19, Jones 50—29, Wilson 40—20, L. Ross 45—28, Lacy 50—30, Sutton 35—18, Young 45—21, Kile 5—4, L. Burr 15—4, C. Smith 15—14, S. Burr 15—7, Skiles 15—9, Wiekherst 35—31, Shipkey 40—28.

Eureka Club.—At the Eureka, Cal., Gun Club shoot Feb. 22, Dr. C. O. Falk was high over all, breaking 95 out of the 100 target program. Dr. H. T. Hinman took second amateur honors, scoring 88, and Warren Innes third, with 84. Otto Feudner kas high professional, scoring 91 x 100.

Trade Notes.—The three high men in the Eureka shoot of Feb. 22nd shot Peters Shells; in fact, a majority of those present pinned their faith to the shells with "Steel where steel belongs."

SNIPE BUTCHERED IN WINTER HOME.

The number of weeks between the time migrant Wilson snipe appear in the Northern States in sufficient numbers to afford fair shooting and that when most of the birds have been forced south by freezing weather marks the bounds set by nature to the length of the fall snipe-hunting season, usually from six to seven weeks in this section of the country.

If all sportsmen are to have an even chance under the law, open seasons must be so regulated that the gunners in the middle and the southern parts of the country will be restricted to the same number of weeks. Unfortunately, under existing State laws the opposite condition prevails. Most of the Northern States do not open the snipe-shooting season until September 1—New York not until September 10—and there is not much good hunting after early November.

On the other hand, when the birds reach the Gulf State in October they find the legal hunting season already open, and under the State laws they are subject to a continuous fusillade during the entire time of their residence in the South until they depart the following spring for their northern grounds.

Under this system the Southern gunner has a shooting season about three times as long as that of his Northern competitor and also a chance to bag even more than three times as many birds, because the Wilson snipe while in migration is erratic and likely to occur in numbers for only a few days in any one swamp or thicket, but after it reaches its winter home it congregates in certain favorite localities, where it is abundant every day throughout the entire winter.

Winter shooting at these places in the Gulf and South Atlantic States is responsible for the heavy falling off in the numbers of the Wilson snipe. How they abounded formerly and how they were slaughtered by Southern gunners is forcibly shown by the record of a single hunter in Louisiana, who, during the twenty years from 1867 to 1887, killed 69,087 birds, an average of 3,500 snipe a winter.

In 1870 about 100 snipe were killed by this man for each day that he hunted. The maximum was reached in 1875, with 150 birds a day; this fell to 100 in 1880 and to 80 in 1887. Individual days far exceeded these average figures.

The highest score for seven consecutive shooting days was reached in 1877, when, on December 8, 270 snipe were killed; December 10, 255; December 11, 286; December 17, 233, and December 19, 262—an average of 278 a day and a total of 1,943 birds in seven days of shooting. The bag on December 11—366 snipe—is supposed to be the world's record for slaughter by one man in one day.

With such butchery in its winter home, it is no wonder that the numbers of the Wilson snipe have markedly decreased. Aside from other considerations, such wholesale destruction is contrary to sound business principles. Among the better class of sportsmen such a hunter is sometimes called a "game hog," whether he shoots for his own table and that of his friends, as was the case in the instance cited above, or whether he is a plain market hunter, who kills thousands of birds as a means of obtaining a livelihood. Had these 3,500 snipe been obtained in one season by a hundred different gunners in widely separated localities, instead of by one man in one place, their sport value to the community would have been increased many fold.

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SCORES ON SHELL MOUND RANGE.

Carl Weggenmann made the three best centers of the year in the Deutscher Krieger Schuetzen competition Sunday at Shell Mound Park, winning the Captain Siebe trophy. The scores:

Deutscher Krieger Schuetzen, monthly medal shoot—First champion class, Carl Metzger, 360; champion class, Captain Fritz Kaiser, 320; first class, Louis Laubscher, 298; fourth class, A. Zellsberger, 260; first best shot, Chris Hartmann, 23; last best shot, John Bender, 20; most red flags, W. Pfiester; bullseye prizes, Xavier Gilberzahn, Carl Weggenmann, William Pfiester, Louis Laubscher, John Bender.

Germania Schuetzen Club, public prize shoot, bullseye scores—B. P. Jonas 89, George A. Pattberg 104, G. C. Gunther 144, F. P. Schuster 186, William F. Blasse 219, D. W. McLaughlin 247, N. Ahrens 273, M. F. Blasse 398, G. Heino 408, D. A. Huntemann 425, Herman Huber 467, E. Schierbaum 482, A. L. Ott 502, C. M. Henderson 610, Otto A. Bremer 692, Philo Jacobi 696, W. H. McLaughlin 730, H. Luneberg 758, E. Hoffman 797, P. F. Rathjens 815; most bullseyes, W. F. Blasse 106, George A. Pattberg 76, Herman Huber 49, Ben Jonas 40, E. Schierbaum 26, N. Ahrens 14.

Shell Mound Pistol and Rifle Club, monthly medal shoot, rifle scores, class A—E. Schierbaum 207, 207; K. O. Kindgren 213, A. Thompson 204, R. S. Wixson 220, 203. Class B—A. M. Paulson 184, H. Kleinenbroich 179, 186; O. P. Peterson 159, 166; F. A. McLaughlin 169, 167; F. P. Poulter 180, 192; H. Purrmann 186, 161; C. M. Kraul 200, 216; C. H. Atten 143. Class C—L. Ericksen 195, 195; G. R. Hauser 177, 184. Class B—P. Kulik 163, 125; P. Paulson 161, 108. Unclassified: F. A. Johnson 140, 162; G. Bender 177, 175.

Independent Rifles, monthly medal shoot—K. Edel 47, Corporal J. Menke 36, H. C. Lunsmann 23, A. Zimmermann 36, Lieutenant J. Siebe 50, J. Donovan 21, Carl Abraham 27, Sergeant M. C. Schleemann 22, Lieutenant P. Volkmann 38, G. W. Steffens 48, Henry Schlichtmann 36, Captain Harry Gaetjen 56, Sergeant P. C. Petersen 65, Corporal E. Golsch 38, G. J. Steiger 33, J. M. Hansen 33, B. Hassler 45, Corporal H. Pape 47, J. Westergaard 18, L. Laubscher 15.

Shell Mound Pistol and Rifle Club, monthly medal scores—Class A: O. L. Nemo 88, 93; R. S. Wixson 92; H. J. Harris 89, 93. Class B: Captain George Larson 79, 80; L. Ericksen 80, 85; C. M. Kraul 87, 87. Class C: F. P. Poulter 86, 87; Captain Harry Gaetjen 78, 78; W. Guild 80, 81; A. Thompson 75, 77. Class D: H. W. Kleinenbroich 70, 73; O. P. Peterson 78, 75; H. Hartmann 80, 82. Unclassified: T. H. Johnson 54.

Danish-American Rifle Club, monthly medal shoot—S. Mathisen 44, F. Andersen 50, C. Riis 33, H. Frank 45, F. Nielsen 54, J. N. Hansen 30, J. Miller 30, T. Westergaard 37, C. L. Nielsen 72, M. C. Hansen 54, P. C. Petersen 55, O. Christensen 57.

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Spokane Club Shoot.—The Spokane Gun Club members shot over the Moran Prairie traps on Feb. 27th in the Clarke & Bevan trophy match and also for the H. R. Everding watch. The scores follow:

Clarke & Bevan Trophy—

	Event 8		Event 9.	
	B.	H. T.	B.	H. T.
T. B. Ware	22	1—23	22	1—23
McElroy	23	1—24	21	1—22
March	24	1—25	19	1—20
O'Connor	21	1—22	22	2—24
Gregory	21	2—23	24	1—25
Chingren	21	2—23	21	2—23
Tiffany	22	1—23	23	1—24
Mrs. O'Connor	21	4—25	20	4—24
Blosser	19	4—23	20	4—24
Clark	15	6—21	17	6—23
Cochran	21	3—24	10	3—22
G. Ware	18	2—20	22	2—24
Mann	22	3—25	17	6—23
Hayes	19	4—23	21	2—23
Kinzel	15	8—23	..	.—..
Wain	15	8—23	15	8—23
Irwin	11	12—23	..	.—..
Mars	22	1—23	14	9—23
Brown	17	3—20	21	3—24
Robbins	14	4—18	..	.—..
Coleman	19	4—23	15	4—19
De Long	17	6—23	17	—23
Pelty	20	3—23	17	3—20
Allen	12	9—21	16	7—23
Williams	12	9—21	21	2—23
Woodworth*	23	s—23	23	s—23
Shriver	19	3—22	23	2—25
Dryden*	22	s—22	24	s—24
Mrs. Dryden	12	4—16	10	8—18
Miss B. Lamar	13	8—21	15	8—21
McCormack Jr.	20	4—24	18	3—21
Olsn	18	5—23	..	.—..
Boydston	16	7—23	19	4—23
McCornack, Jr.	17	6—23	10	4—23
Grimmer	15	11—25	14	8—22

H. R. Everding Watch—

Twenty yard squad: T. B. Ware 20, McElroy 21, March 20, O'Connor 19, Gregory 21, Chingren 25, Cochran 15, Woodworth* 20, Shriver 21, Dryden* 22.

Nineteen yard squad: Tiffany 16, Mrs. O'Connor 18, Wain 22, Mrs. Dryden 13.

Eighteen yard squad: Blosser 15, De Long 16, Clark 18, Grant Ware 18, Hayes 17.

Sixteen yard squad: Mann 18, Miss March 16, A. P. Johnson 24, Mrs. Allen 12.

The scores of C. A. O'Connor against Everding: O'Connor 21, 22, 23, 25—90.

Spokane Women's Team—Mrs. C. A. O'Connor 20, Miss L. March 17, Miss B. Lamar 15—total, 52.

Portland Women's Team—Mrs. Schilling 88, Mrs. G. Reid 14, Mrs. E. H. Keller 9—total, 45.

In a special telegraph match Charles A. O'Connor won from H. R. Everding of Portland, 90 to 83.

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Salt Lake Club.—Twenty-two members of the Salt Lake Gun Club were in attendance at the traps for the regular weekly trophy shoot Feb. 27th. Incidentally they bumped into the worst batch of shooting weather that has been dealt out for many a day, between the wind and the dazzling light in the background it was next to impossible to see the targets at times.

Morgan was high over all with 43x50, which is one of the lowest scores that ever won high honors at the local club.

Fisher and Engle tied for first place in the handicap trophy event for the amateur class, with 47x50. They decided to wait for more favorable conditions to shoot off the tie. The following are the scores:

Professionals—Morgan 43x50, Hood 41x50, Cummings 41x50, Anderson 36x50.

Amateurs—

	Broke	Hdcp.	Ttl.
Engle	38	9	47
Fisher	37	10	47
Tingey	41	2	43
Shepherd	37	5	42
J. F. Cowan	37	3	40
Bain	35	3	38
Luff	34	3	37
A. W. Cowan	30	7	37
Moffat	35	1	36
Gallagher	34	2	36
Bray	29	5	34
Williams	28	3	31
Becker	31	0	31
Johnston	24	4	28
Edmonds	22	3	25
Neill	16	4	20
Johnson	10	5	15

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New Club for Sacramento—Organization of a new trap shooting club in Sacramento is now under way, and within the next two weeks it is expected that permanent organization will be effected with the election of officers. A. L. Pierson, formerly president of a gun club in Oroville, has been named temporary secretary of the new body.

The name of the organization has not yet been selected. Inasmuch as grounds have been secured in West Sacramento, there is a possibility that the club will be named the West Sacramento Gun Club. By the middle of the month installation of traps and other paraphernalia will be started.

Under the present plan no more than 150 members will be taken into the club. Those behind the club favor a low membership fee and no assessments. It is planned to offer special inducements to join to beginners and women who are interested in the sport.

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Portland Gun Club.—Despite the rain March 1st, H. R. Everding, former Portland Gun Club president, gave a nifty exhibition of scattergun accuracy when he broke 48 clay birds out of 50 in a match shoot with Frank Templeton, another Portland crack. The latter was not far behind with 45 out of 50.

Mr. Everding likewise was high gun among the coterie of shooters on hand for the regular Wednesday practice. He broke 90 per cent of his birds.

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Some of those who have been black bass fishing in Southern California are Gene Somnes, Charles Mawney, Sid Butler, Al Reed, Al Paulsen, Frank Benman, Tom Jordan, Harry Thompson, Dr. Powers, Dr. Huntoon, Paul Bucklin, Arden Day, Nye "Cutey" Williams, Harry Phillips, Walter King, Ray Bowers, Dave Terhune, O. Stannard and Paul Wolfe.

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PETE STANDRIDGE'S EXPERIENCE IN CANADIAN ROCKIES

One of the greatest spots in the country in which to find caribou and wild game of all descriptions in abundance is in the Canadian Rockies in British Columbia, some 300 miles northeast of Seattle, according to Pete Standridge, the baseball pitcher who was with the Chicago Cubs last season and previously with the San Francisco Coast League team. Standridge was in San Francisco during the week and had an interesting and rather thrilling experience up in that country during the past winter.

"Together with four friends, two of them old trappers, I went up in the Canadian Rockies in November," says Standridge. "We packed in 43 miles from Riverstoke with seven horses and invaded some wild and woolly country that had not been tramped over by human beings for fourteen years. It was very evident when we started going in that few had been that way before. If I had it to do over again I certainly would take the precaution to lead my horse rather than to sit on his back and take a chance.

"The way we found game of all descriptions was wonderful and well repaid us for the trouble and hardship we underwent. Caribou was especially plentiful and anyone caring for this sport can secure plenty of it in the Canadian Rockies. We had little or no difficulty in securing the limit of three apiece. We also brought down five bear and seven mountain sheep and no end of smaller game.

"We were having one high old time until it started to snow. The first few days we didn't mind it in the least as it added to our fun in hunting game. Then it started to get deep. When the four-foot mark was reached we made a hasty decision that it would be well to get out. Our plan was to take the five horses we retained in camp and switch them around in breaking a trail for us to follow. This worked for just one mile when our horses played out. There was nothing let for us to do but to shoot the poor animals, as with the snow getting deeper all the time it was impossible to secure feed for them.

"The surprising thing was to see how the deer of that wild country take care of themselves. They located in ravines, where some protection was offered them, and secured feed by eating the leaves of trees and nibbling off the bark. We noticed few that were in any distress for want of food. The caribou herded together in droves. I counted 130 in one band, which will give you somewhat of an idea of the abundance of the game."

Standridge and a couple of friends are going to make another trip up in the same locality next winter for the express purpose of trapping beavers. These busy workers were seen everywhere.

"I cannot imagine a prettier picture than I saw up there," continues Pete. "We climbed a hill overlooking a dam on which they were working and after sitting quietly for a couple of hours a pair of beavers came out and started to work. We had our field glasses to take in the scene. The boys tackled a big tree and in no time they had it down. Then they cleaned off the limbs with the exception of two at the end. These they used to take hold so as to steer the log, that was fully twelve feet long, up the creek. The way they handled that log to get it in its proper place in the dam was wonderful. I figure we are going to have a lot of fun with Mr. Beaver next winter."

Standridge has had quite a deal of experience in hunting. When with the San Francisco team he made two trips up in Siskiyou county.

THE FARM

SOUDAN GRASS VALUABLE CROP FOR UNIRRIGATED LANDS.

Soudan grass is proving valuable for California conditions, as dry forage on lands unsuited for irrigation, according to Professor John W. Gilmore of the Division of Agronomy of the University of California.

Experiments at the University Farm showed that the planting of April 15 produced the largest yield of both hay and seed. Moreover, only two cuttings per year were obtained from the later plantings, but three from the plantings of April 15.

The yield of hay from three cuttings, under dry culture, was 5.95 tons per acre; under irrigation, 7.43 tons. The yield of both the later and earlier plantings was considerably less.

The yields at Davis with 15 pounds of seed, under dry culture, were 6.93 tons per acre, and under irrigation, 7.7 tons. The yield from 35 pounds of seed per acre, under both cultures, was somewhat more than 15 pounds, but the extra yield did notpay for the extra seed.

Experiments were conducted also as to the method of seeding. The planting in rows 18 inches apart and cultivated gave better results than the drilled seeding. The yields under this method were 7.2 tons per acre, while the drilled seeding yielded only 5.1 tons. It must be remembered, however, that the 18-inch planting was cultivated and this required labor. The hay produced by this method was coarser and consequently of poorer quality than that produced by drilled seeding.



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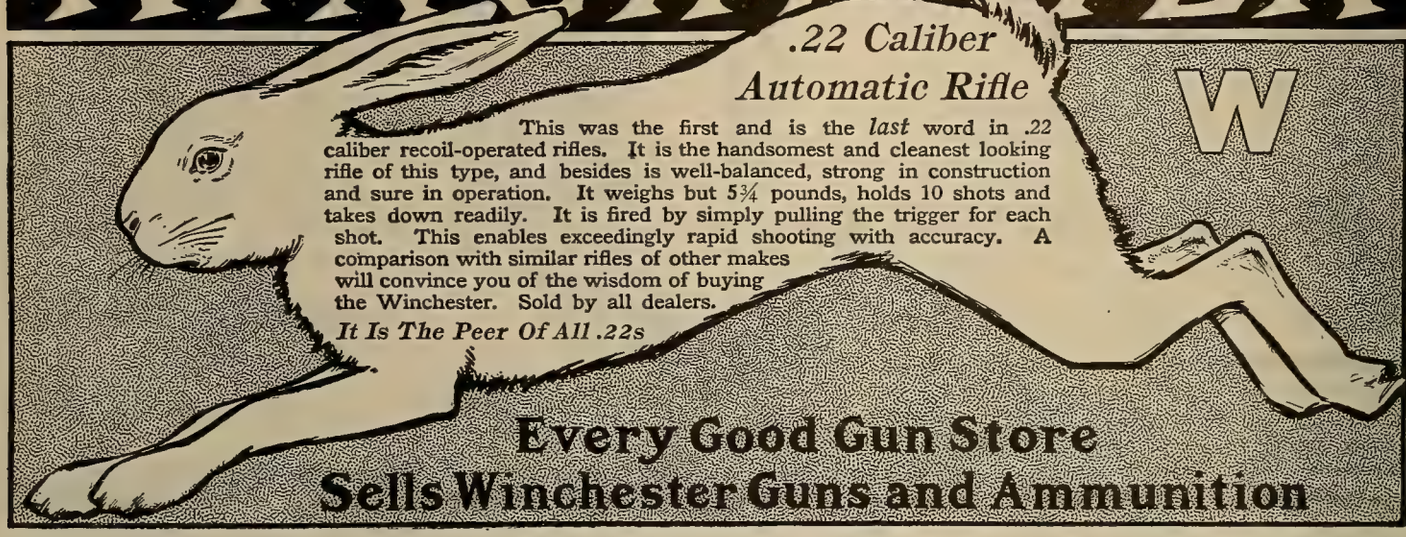
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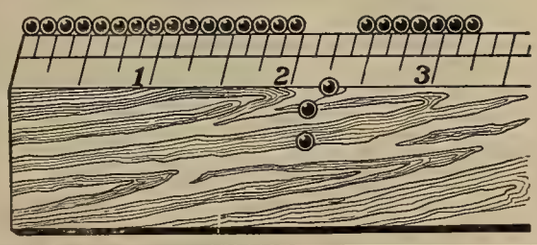
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PERCHERON SOCIETY RAISES FEES, ALSO ANNOUNCES SPECIAL PRIZES FOR 1916.

At a recent meeting of the Board of Directors of the Percheron Society of America, the registration fee on imported horses was increased to $100 per head, taking effect July 1, 1916. The object sought is to discourage the importation of inferior horses, and it is believed this high fee will have the desired effect. Provision is further made to refund $85 of the $100 paid to importers, on horses that are good enough to win at fairs recognized by the Percheron Society of America. It is believed this action will effectually bar inferior horses, without interfering with the importation of really valuable animals. Members of the Percheron Society have already been advised of this action, and breeders generally appear to be heartily in accord with the new ruling.

Forty-one fairs and expositions in the United States were accorded recognition by the Percheron Society for 1916. Classification and list of fairs is attached hereto. Provision was also made to recognize, with a special classification, all Canadian fairs that obtain recognition from the Canadian Percheron Association. Strong exhibits of Percherons at the fall fairs will benefit the Percheron breed, and all breeders. These awards, to be included in the premium list of the California State Fair, are as follows:

Special A.—Stallion three years old or over, bred and owned by exhibitor. 1st prize, sterling silver medal; 2d prize, bronze medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special B.—Stallion under three, bred and owned by exhibitor. 1st prize, sterling silver medal; 2d prize, bronze medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special C.—Champion stallion, bred and owned by exhibitor. Open to only 1st and 2d prize winners in Specials A and B. Champion, sterling silver medal; Reserve Champion, bronze medal.

Special D.—Mare three years or over, bred and owned by exhibitor. 1st prize, sterling silver medal; 2d prize, bronze medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special E.—Mare under three, bred and owned by exhibitor. 1st prize, sterling silver medal; 2d prize, bronze medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special F.—Champion mare, bred and owned by exhibitor. Open only to 1st and 2d prize winners in Specials D and E. Champion, sterling silver medal; Reserve Champion, bronze medal.

Special G.—Get of stallion, four colts, either sex, get of same stallion; bred and owned by exhibitor, or shown with stallion. 1st prize, sterling silver medal; 2d prize, bronze medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special H.—Produce of mare, two colts, either sex, American bred, produce of same mare, bred and owned by exhibitor. 1st prize, sterling silver medal; 2d prize, bronze medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special I.—Champion stud, consisting of stallion and four mares, mares only to be bred and owned by exhibitor. 1st prize, Champion trophy of sterling silver; 2d prize, silver medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special J.—Five stallions owned by exhibitor. 1st prize, Champion trophy of sterling silver; 2d prize, silver medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special K.—Best three mares, owned by exhibitor. 1st prize, Champion, trophy of sterling silver; 2d prize, silver medal; 3d prize, reserve ribbon.

Special L.—Champion stallion, open class. Champion, sterling silver medal; Reserve Champion, bronze medal.

Special M.—Champion mare, open class. Champion, sterling silver medal; Reserve Champion, bronze medal.

Specials L and M are open only to the first and second prize winners in the regular open classes.

Conditions.—All animals competing for above prizes must be recorded in the Percheron Stud Book of America, and the owner must be a member of the Percheron Society of America. All animals competing must be regularly entered on the books of the Secretary of the Fair when he shows his stock and the correct name and number of each animal given. No medals or prizes will be sent forward until this information is received in proper form by the Secretary of the Percheron Society of America, and names and numbers of animals found correct, according to the records of his office. When such information is received at the Secretary's office, the medals will be properly engraved and forwarded to the owner.

Memorial resolutions on the death of M. Charles Aveline, President of the Society Hippique Percheronne de France, were adopted and a copy was ordered sent to the family and to the Society Hippique Percheronne.

Records in the office of the Percheron Society show an active trade, particularly as to sales made by breeders. Prices are gradually growing stronger on good Percherons, but demand is slack for poorer sorts. More men are seeking stallions of exceptional merit, fit to head pure bred studs, than at any time in the last three years, and more confidence is expressed by purchasers generally.

More than 112 million dollars' worth of horses, and over 23 million dollars' worth of mules, have been exported from the United States in the sixteen months ending January 1, 1916. This is a greater total in cash received than we obtained for all horses and mules exported during the preceding sixteen years, and our shipments show no signs of lessening. Good draft geldings are in good demand also, and are bringing from $275 to $325 on the Chicago market, despite the pessimistic comments of country horse buyers, who generally seek to give, for selfish reasons, the impression that drafters are not wanted. Farmers who cannot secure satisfactory prices at home should club together and ship their draft geldings direct to the large markets. Country horse buyers are doing all they can to hammer down prices on drafters in the country, for their own profit, and are having fair success. The war horse demand keeps business going, and if a big drafter is passed by often enough, the farmer who owns him may take the price offered. For this reason, direct shipments should receive consideration.

The urgent need—more apparent than ever before—is for men to assemble small but select bands of mares, absolutely sound and right in every way, breed them to really high class sires, and develop the colts. From such hand picked studs, stallions can be developed fit to head any band of pure bred mares. This is precisely what American breeders are most urgently in need of now, and the opportunity is a great one.

HOPES FOR PUBLICITY AND BROADER POLICIES.

San Francisco, March 11, 1916.

Breeder and Sportsman:

I have just finished a ten day vacation in southern California, where I was the guest of Mr. Louis Streuber, one of Los Angeles' solid men. I was motored by Mr. Streuber over many miles of the beautiful southland roads amongst the groves of the Sunkist oranges, and while I enjoyed every moment (and we averaged about one hundred miles each day) yet in all my travels I only saw two good looking driving horses. One was Golden Nut 2:11¼, the sixteen-year-old beauty owned and driven every day by G. W. Ford of Santa Ana; the other was an elegant black roadster driven by a beautiful young lady, and believe me I was almost tempted to stop the lady and compliment her on her elegant horse. I saw many poor scrawny steeds hauling old buggies; I saw thousands of autos; I told my friend that a horse owner could cheat his horse but no man can cheat an automobile. It must be fed gasoline and oil and kept in perfect tune, else it won't work, but our faithful friend the horse is too often cheated of his just amount of feed, water and care, and instead he is whipped and yanked about by man and often by women.

Well, I have been thinking about harness horse conditions on my trip, and wondering if they would not probably improve now that the National Trotting Association has washed all of its soiled linen, cast President Johnson in the background and elected Mr. Welty, whom I understand is a young, vigorous man in touch with present-day harness horse conditions. Probably Mr. Welty will issue an order for the expenditure of some of the money that is being hoarded up by the N. T. A., this money to be used for publicity of the harness horse affairs, and perhaps a share of this money may be used for the betterment of harness horse racing conditions such as inducing railroad and express companies to make more reasonable rates for harness horses during the racing season, also to keep the harness horse game before the public by way of the daily press. The automobile people keep the auto before the public but it costs money to do this. The war chest of the N. T. A. should be opened up for the good of the harness horse game.

Mr. Welty has a lot to do and as he is an active business man, a man of the mid-west, he can do much for the business of which he has been honored with the presidency. Horsemen need encouragement and this encouragement should come from the men who absolutely control the harness horse affairs. We have already too many rules, too many arbitrary conditions. What the game wants is help, publicity and encouragement. No other sport on earth gets less aid from its headquarters than harness racing. President Welty has a big field to operate on. I hope he makes good and proves himself a real leader and a real benefit to harness horsemen.

Yours truly,
C. A. HARRISON.

PREPAREDNESS AND THE HORSE MARKET.

As a distinctively non-partisan, non-political and non several other things publication, devoted strictly to the furtherance of the interests of livestock breeders and the great family of sportsmen in general, this paper seldom makes note of matters of daily occurrence save in its particular field, but the happenings of the last several days along the border have brought to light a condition that affects the entire nation and horse and mule breeders in particular. We have at various times in the year and a half last passed called attention to the inroads made into our horse and mule holdings by European governments and have advanced the idea that livestock of this kind would be in demand at enhanced prices for many years to come as a result of the great conflict being waged between the governments across the sea.

For over two years the American people have faced the probability of having to step into the breach and take some action to restore normal conditions in Mexico. It has not been merely a probability; in the eyes of thousands of men familiar with the ways and wiles of the little brown brother some action on our part was inevitable. For months and months we have maintained troops along the border at various places and at nearby camps from which the border could be reached promptly on short notice, but in spite of this it seems that our preparedness fell far short of the mark when the test came. On March ninth the nation was stirred out of its policy of watchful waiting by the Villista raid at Columbus, New Mexico, and the order was at once issued to get Villa alive or dead. The general supposition was that a quick move would be made toward the pursuit of the wily bandit, but in reality it lacked but a few hours of being a week before our boys got across the line. What that delay of a week means in the way of advantage to a man who has successfully evaded capture for twenty years and what it means to us in money and lives lost is something not easily calculated. It is an odds on bet, however, that the cost of capturing him at this date will be enormously greater than would have been the case had the task been assumed immediately after the order to get him was issued. Under the present condition of affairs it seems that our border guards and our concentration(?) of troops in convenient places in case of an emergency amounted to almost as much as a whoop in a high wind.

About the only thing that we were really "prepared" for was to receive an extremely rude jolt when the emergency arose. We got it good and we will get it good in other ways before the incident may be considered closed, for catching Villa is not going to be any Cuban Fourth of July.

Just exactly why it took a week to start the pursuit after two years of preparedness(?) is traceable to a good many causes, probably, most of them unknown to the writer, but the following article appearing this week in a local daily (and not a yellow sheet

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Trotters at Santa Rosa

"SUNDAY STUFF" FOR A CHANGE

The inclement weather of the earlier portion of that season of the year we refer to, through force of universal custom, as "winter" has made week end trips to nearby training points few and far between for "yours truly," as Friday and Saturday have seemed to be the weather man's favorite days for shedding a few tears. Having been gloriously ducked on trips to Woodland and Pleasanton as well as on one attempted journey to San Jose, the end of last week was awaited with some uneasiness. Then it came, bright and sunshiny, and some unexpected matters bobbed up that were as successful as the rains had been previously in keeping me close to home and the office. Sunday the weather was of the same brand as for the few days previous, save for an early morning fog on the bay, and as the old expression "the better the day the better the deed" has long been accepted as gospel, the occasion was decided to be a most auspicious one for paying a little visit to the Santa Rosa colony. Of course there would be nothing doing, but most of the boys would be on deck and I could at any rate find out what they had. I hit it. There wasn't, and they were, and I did. Read it again if you want to.

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Frank S. Turner, who is one of the few California breeders who have sent mares to the court of eastern stallions in recent years, has a stable of nine in hand at present, largely the get of Maple Lawn Farm's good son of Bingen, The Exponent 2:11¾, who at the end of his eleventh year is credited with nearly half a hundred standard performers, all but six or seven of which are trotters, with a goodly sprinkling of yearlings and a veritable host of two-year-olds among them. Exponent Mac, the oldest of the band bred at the Illinois speed nursery, is now a three-year-old, and a fine cut of a horse is he, richly colored and put together just about the way the doctor ordered. He could show a forty gait as a yearling, and now that some training weather has come our way out here on the coast his real education will be started promptly. He is out of a nice daughter of McKinney, Caromia C. by name, grandam By Guy by Guy Wilkes, great grandam By By by Nutwood, etc., so he ought to be as good a trotter as he looks. Caritone's Exponent, a two-year-old filly out of Caritone 2:27¼ by Antone, has a nice way of trotting in the paddock but mixes a little once in a while and strikes a pace in a manner to make Frank think she may adopt that way of going when he ties into her. The others by The Exponent are all two-year-old studs, well filled out and handsome as can be, apparently chock full of trot, F. S. Montgomery being out of Caratina by McKinney, F. S. Jennings out of Centerguy by McKinney, and Harry H. Whiting out of Lady Caritone by Guy Dillon 2:23½. Harry is a fall colt and is the least matured of the three, but he certainly can mock a trotter in a lot or on a lead-rope. Frank has still another member of the tribe of Bingen in the way of a ten month old colt by Robert Bingen 2:11¼ out of Centerguy by McKinney, running on back on the maternal side through direct crosses to such famous producers as By Guy, By By, Rapidan and Madam Headly, so if breeding makes 'em this boy ought to do. He is just fairly halter broken but has a nice open trot and acts like he might keep his pedigree in mind and live up to it in days to come.

The readiest horse in the Turner stable is the chestnut gelding, Dr. Wm. S. Jennings, with a breeder's record of 2:11 pacing, made at the record meeting given last August under the auspices of the Sonoma County Driving Club. The Doctor is a sturdily built fellow by F. S. Turner 2:24 and out of Caritone, being the second of the produce of this daughter of Antone to pace in the neighborhood of the two-ten mark. As he came to his speed rapidly last season after things began to be asked of him and has never had any troubles in the way of unsoundness, Frank figures him as quite a little better than a two-ten wiggler. He has earned his keep all winter, being used to cart on the road at all hours of the day, and making a daily trip through the stormy season to the pasture up on the hill where the brood mares are kept, hauling the boss and a good load of hay through the sticky "doby."

Highly as he regards all his eastern bred youngsters, I think the real favorite of Frank's inner heart is the bay stallion Guy Dillon 2:23½, who outranks all sons of Sidney Dillon as a speed sire. Guy Borden 2:07¼, who died practically at the outset of what promised to be a brilliant career, was one of the best pacers seen in California in late years, while other members of the family are also showing exceptionally well. Here in California Emmaline Dillon was a winner in 2:12¾ over a two lapper last season, working the same course in 2:08½, while down in the states bordering on the Great Lakes another sidewheeler, Adioo Guy, was winning races in a manner that set the turf writers to watching him, annexing a winrace of 2:10¾ over a halfmile track and taking seven races out of ten starts. This doesn't tell all the tale by any means, but if Guy Dillon was in a community where there was any breeding to speak of he would soon have a good big list of fast representatives in the books. He is a good looking, fine tempered horse, quite suggestive of his family in general makeup. Frank is handling a green mare by him and out of a daughter of Anteeo, owned by George Trowbridge of Santa Rosa, and while she has had not much done with her so far she is a good sort of a trotter and could beat the standard mark last season.

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W. A. Stewart of Humboldt county has been at the Santa Rosa track most of the winter and promises to have a good deal of speed on tap by the time the first races start in California, most of the members of his stable of half a dozen being addicted to the pacing habit. The lady who rules the roost in the way of previously demonstrated speed is the brown mare Emmaline Dillon 2:12¾ by Guy Dillon 2:23½ and out of Katie Darling by John L., a son of Anteeo. She is a very pleasing mare all around, with a lot of punch and power, and at the Humboldt county fair last season cleaned up twice on the Eureka standby, Maude McAttee, later on making a trip over the Ferndale speedway in 2:08½. She is six years old and has the marks of a real pacer, so she will do to remember later in the year. Stewart has a half sister to her but a year younger, owned by John S. Taylor of Santa Rosa, that he is just beginning to start up a little. She is by California Dillon 2:10¼, and while she is a bit mixed gaited she has taken most of her work so far at the trot.

A young member of the stable that has already had a bit of experience in company is the three-year-old pacing gelding Don Remo by Irving Pointer and out of a daughter of Greco B. This boy never knew anything but pace and has never worn the pantalets at any time during his young life, and while perhaps he wasn't quite up to racing last summer with the two-year-old pacers out here that were hanging up season records for the whole country, he did help out the boss by grabbing some winter feed money at Ferndale, winning the event there for the age and gait. Another nice young thing by Irving Pointer is getting her first lessons in pacing, and though broken but a couple of months is going quarters in forty seconds handily and acts like she liked 'em. She is owned by D. C. Campbell of Eureka and is out of a daughter of Glendale.

Two good pacing mares complete the string, the elder one being a seven-year-old daughter of Bonnie Steinway 2:06¼, dam by Waldstein, owned by Pat Quinn of Eureka. She was also a winner at Ferndale last season and has turned a twice around for the full route in 2:16, so she has some little lick herself. Bonnie Quinn is the name she will be entered under. The other mare, the property of J. C. McConnell of Santa Rosa, is a couple of years younger and bears the responsibility of having to guard the family honor all by herself as she is the one and only member of her generation and there will be no more, her sire being no longer that kind of a horse. She is by the now gelded Potrero Boy 2:06¼ and out of a daughter of Alton, the result of an accidental mating some seasons ago when the Boy was a colt in charge of Mannie Reams. She may not prove possessed of the sizzle that characterizes her pop and his brother Airlie Demonio, both of them being rated as 2:03 pacers or thereabouts, but she has the natural inclination to get hence when turned the right way of the track. Last season she was given a breeder's record of 2:22 and in private trials went the distance some five or six seconds faster.

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John N. Compton, one of the younger generation of Santa Rosa horsemen, has a pair in hand that look to be as good as they generally come, for the amount of education that they have had, one a trotter and the other a pacer. The trotter is a seven-year-old chestnut gelding known as Pfeister's Lynwood (a little too much name to be real handy on an Irish tongue) and gives promise of being able to go the route three times better than 2:10 in comfortable fashion. He is a son of Lynwood W. 2:20½ (sire among others of that grand stake trotter Sonoma Girl 2:04¼) and his dame is a daughter of Gossiper 2:14¾ (sire of the dams of Zolock 2:05¼, Zephyr 2:07¼, etc., Zephyr being the dam of Willie Durfee's speed marvel Virginia Barnette (3) 2:08¼). This is pretty racy breeding, and the horse that carries it is a racy looking fellow himself, not a drafter in size but substantial and sound and with the general air of a racehorse. Last season, before Compton really got wise to him properly, he stepped on a quarter one day while working barefooted but this has grown out in good shape and in spite of this handicap he made a lot of speed last season, working a number of miles from 2:13 to 2:15, negotiating halves in 1:03½ and quarters in :30¼. The pacer, Lennie C., is of a similar age and is also by Lynwood W., his dam being by L. W. Russell. He is a nifty looking chestnut boy with a few white hairs scattered through his coat and carrying the Indian sign of toughness, three white feet and ankles, a star, strip and snip and a bit of white on the underlip. He received his first lessons last season and developed to a mile in 2:17, half in 1:05 and eighths at a two-minute clip, so he has some idea of what speed is.

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Harry H. Whiting, as old in the game as Mr. Compton is young to it, is handling but one horse at present, the trotter Guy Carlton 2:30, gelded last season and apparently improved in the operation, as he began coming to himself and worked some seconds better than his former record. He is a good looking fellow and one of the best bred ones in the land, being by Guy Dillon and out of the famous producer Carlotta Wilkes, dam of ten in the list, four of them with records well on the shady side of 2:10.

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F. D. McGregor, the local liveryman, has a pair of full sisters by Guy Dillon and out of a Gossiper dam with which he has a good deal of pleasure when he breaks away from town long enough to get out to the track. Jessie Dillon, the five-year-old, started in her first race last summer at a local matinee and won handily from a field of five in straight heats, trotting her best one in 2:21¼, a pretty nice performance under all the circumstances surrounding it. Mabel Dillon, a year younger, is just starting in to learn the business but is taking to it very handily.

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Sam Norris, without whom the Santa Rosa plant would not seem like the old familiar place, is giving lessons to a small stable of green ones, all of whom seem to have plenty of that highly necessary old "natural instinct" to make speed either at the trot or the pace. One of the likeliest of the pacers, to my notion, is the six-year-old chestnut horse The Potrero, full brother to those two fast birds Airlie Demonio 2:05½ and Potrero Boy 2:06¼ and, in some ways, a more pleasing individual than either of that famous pair. He is shorter coupled than the Boy and is very stoutly put together. Sam handled him a bit last season and won a matinee with him by slapping in a couple of heats between twenty-two and twenty-four, and on another occasion he showed Sam and Owner Tobe Mitchell that he could go the route in twelve. From the looks of him now it would not be strange to see Potrero Girl the dam of three full brothers in the 2:10 list some of these fine mornings. A three-year-old brown gelding by Dickens B. 2:15 out of a mare by Secretary, grandam by Seymour Wilkes, is just getting a start in life as a pacer, and the balance of the stable are trotters.

Sir John S. 2:04½, second fastest of the sons of Diablo 2:09¼, might more readily be expected to sire pacers rather than trotters, but his standard list is fifty-fifty and Sam has one in his string that seems due to throw the balance of the argument in favor of the square gaited kind. He is a five-year-old bay gelding bred by the Stevensons at Marysville and now owned by Stewart Peterson of Santa Rosa, and while

his education is so slight as to have barely been commenced he is crowding 2:40 with less than thirty days' work. The Prince Ansel family is represented by a nice four-year-old bay mare called Princess Ayres, out of Heiress by Lynwood W., grandam a full sister to the trotting gelding Jasper Ayres 2:09, whose record was made eighteen or twenty years ago when the woods were not as full of two-ten trotters as they are now. She hasn't had much crowding yet, but can show a quarter in :37 without boots or shoes. The lad that Sam is pinning his faith to for a trotter for his own personal use is a four-year-old bay gelding by Lynwood W. out of a Gossiper mare, being a brother to the chestnut trotter described in John Compton's stable. Sam broke both of them and has a preference for his own horse on early showing and general makeup, as he is a more rugged looking horse than the other one and in his first pair of shoes is showing a forty gait.

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Keefer & Spencer, who transferred the scene of their activities to this point shortly after the close of the exposition race meeting last fall, have about the most extensive stable at Santa Rosa and also the most horses already familiar to race goers. The Proof 2:10¾, who was tagged by several of his very numerous catch drivers last season as a 2:06 trotter for this year, has wintered in fine style and bears more distinct resemblance to the Bingen family than I ever noticed in him before. He has filled out well and I marked a decided improvement in his stable deportment. He had a notion at one time that he had to boss the whole works, but a year's racing experience has been highly beneficial in getting these notions out of his head and I believe that he will be a right good trotter this year. His three-year-old daughter, The Expense, who in spite of a couple of curbs was a contender and a money winner in the junior trotting divisions of the stakes here last season, occupies a stall near him and is making a fine looking girl. The boys have her set down in the winter dope book as a 2:10 trotter this fall.

Bonnie Ansel 2:09¼ heads this string in point of recorded speed, and while she hardly lived up to expectations last season her trainers think well of her and are going to make another attempt for some profit with her. Sure it is that she has been well wintered, as she looks in the pink of condition. She is sort of a gangly thing and would never win a beauty prize, but at that she may yet make a real good campaigner. Nuristo 2:10¼, still owned by Alexander Brown, has wintered better than usual and will also be raced again this season, with another second time allowance after his campaign of last year. Another Woodland product, Arista Ansel (2) 2:18, now the property of E. M. Barber of San Diego, has entirely recovered from the effects of running a nail into one of her feet some time ago at Sacramento, and has matured into a good sized mare and quite a promising trotter. She is sound as a bell and has been working lately around 2:40, about as fast as anything has been going at Santa Rosa this winter.

Vallejo King 2:10½, Mr. Tom Smith's fast son of Gen. J. B. Frisbie, is now a member of the Keefer & Spencer stable and the boys will try and get him over some of the notions that have proven detrimental to his interests and success in former seasons. The King used to be sort of an equine Jack Johnson and when Sutherland & Chadbourne drew the color line on him last year and followed that act up by castration, the owner turned him out for several months. He is a strapping, husky horse, bred well enough to trot in any company, and should be a much improved performer after his alteration and long rest. Pacers are as scarce in this bunch as they are numerous in Stewart's barn across the way but Nick Haberlach, who came to Santa Rosa with his old employers, still has his big bay fellow by Alcona Wilkes, a mile in the neighborhood of 2:17 being the best that has been asked of him so far.

Two green ones arrived in the stable some days ago and will be sampled thoroughly as the season advances, one a nice made six-year-old gelding by Kinney Lou 2:07¾ and out of the triple producer Missie Medium by Rampart, grandam Belle Medium by Happy Medium, while the other is a futurity prospect, a three-year-old filly by Nutwood Demonio out of Caromia King by Valencia King. She is owned by Len Brittain of Santa Rosa, and if she makes as good a trotter as she is an individual they will have a hard time keeping her out of the money in some of her engagements, no matter how fast they go.

The harness horse business in general in Santa Rosa and vicinity is suffering a good deal from the same causes that have made it bad all over the state in recent years, no fair appropriation and no betting. There are twelve thousand people within the city limits of this thriving place and half that many more within a short distance. They take pretty well to the fair with racing and when the revival was attempted some three years ago by the local fair association and the P. C. T. H. B. A. jointly the result was a most gratifying success. One more successful meeting followed the next year, and then came the exposition and tore the playhouse all up. Now they are getting ready to start in all over again and have a fair this year, though plans have not as yet reached concrete form. The Breeders have not yet made any arrangements for their annual events, and perhaps a joint affair like the one so successful in 1913 might be planned. The people are for it, the track is one of the best in the west, and the grounds are almost ideal for the purpose of holding a real old-fashioned fair, with picnic dinners on the grass and all those sort of things. Given annual fairs with pari-mutual betting and Santa Rosa would take a permanent place on the map and all the glories that were hers in the famous days of Santa Rosa Stock Farm would bloom again, as there are plenty of people in the neighborhood just "honing" to own a trotter or pacer if there was a chance to race and pay expenses. Maybe if we all keep rustling pretty briskly we may yet have all those much desirable things, with good times in the horse business back again to stay.—[N.]

Stallions for Service

BRIEF STORIES OF THREE WORTHY OF NOTE

WILBUR LOU (3) 2:10¼

The youngsters by grandsons of the incomparable McKinney 2:11¼ were very much in the limelight during the racing season last passed, both in the east and here in the west, while the recent Midwinter Sale at Madison Square Garden indicates that the next crop of young things of the same brand is the most salable thing that the trotting horse breeder can produce at this moment. While San Francisco 2:07¾ is setting the pace among the grandsons of McKinney in the way of siring early and extreme speed, we have a number of members of the clan of the same generation who are holding their own right well here in the west, most notable among them at this writing being the Hemet Stock Farm premier, Wilbur Lou, one-time world's champion yearling trotting stallion, an undefeated two-year-old, and a famous futurity winner at three. Mated with seven mares in the spring of the year in which he achieved his greatest fame as a racehorse, he became in due season the sire of seven foals as his first "crop," and from among these there have developed four standard two-year-olds, only one of them a pacer, while one other has shown ability at the same age to trot a halfmile track well below the standard limit, and the other two bid fair to go into the list as three-year-olds, a showing seldom approached. Natalday (2) 2:13½, his fastest performer, is not merely a double futurity winner, having annexed the junior trotting divisions of the Pleasanton and State Fair futurities, but he enjoys the added distinction of holding the Pacific coast race record for youngsters of his age and gait.

Wilbur Lou's blood lines are most pleasing, as he is a son of the good race trotter and sire Kinney Lou 2:07¾ and Louise Carter (3) 2:24, grandam the famous matron Ingar by Director 2:17, etc. Both mares are producers several times over, the latter numbering six among her offspring to achieve fame on the racetrack, including John A. McKerron 2:04½, who also takes high rank as a sire. Wilbur Lou is permanently in the stud at Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet, California, and a card to that address will bring all the particulars concerning him and his rapidly growing family.

DERBERTHA BELLS

While the members of the McKinney family are more numerous than those of any other equine house in California at the present day, the descendants of Charles Derby run them a close second. As was the case with the McKinneys, the eastern wise men picked up many of the best of them and took them from us, including the head of the family himself, but those left to our California farms have played a most important part in the perpetuation of the family of the trotter. Many of the best horses now racing on the coast own allegiance to the Derby clan in one way or another, and in almost every instance they are horses of rare speed and stamina. Those who have had the slightest of opportunities in the stud have proven themselves potent to a high degree, and the older members of the family are firmly established in public esteem.

That the younger representatives will, with time, prove in every way up to the standard of family excellence long established, is accepted as a foregone conclusion, and it is one of these whose services are offered to the public by J. W. Pendleton of 1601



DERBERTHA BELLS

Seminary Avenue, Oakland—the fellow being registered as Derbertha Bells 60907. But five years of age this spring he has his fame all before him, and the few colts by him that are now yearlings and two-year-olds show plainly that, given a chance, the fame he will achieve will be no inconsiderable one. The tabulation of his pedigree is crammed with the names of great race horses, great sires, and dams of unparalleled prolificacy in an unusual manner, the individuals represented being among the greatest in the land. Mr. Pendleton has his colts to show for him at his home, and will gladly furnish inquirers with all desired information.

KING LILLY POINTER

Star Pointer 1:59¼, for so many years the kingpin of the fast pacing brigade and the identical gentleman that inaugurated the two-minute list, left no great number of entire sons in the State of California, and among the very best of these is the stallion whose name heads this brief story, now the property of W. H. Nesmith of 4218 South Figueroa Street, Los Angeles, and in the stud at Exposition Park, that city. With the extreme speed that he has shown with limited training at the hands of his owner, an amateur at the business, it would seem that he is endowed by nature with all the requisites of race horse quality needed to stamp him as one of the very fastest of the get of his famous sire. A mile in 2:08¼ has been negotiated by the pair very handily, and Mr. Nesmith has had shorter rides at a very much faster rate, such as halves in 1:01¼, quarters in :29 and eighths in :14.

One of the secrets of King Lilly Pointer's speed—and that of countless other individuals, as well—lies in the fact that he "has a good dam," one of the best things that can be said for any horse. Lilly S., a daughter of the great Direct 2:05½, was herself possessed of a considerable turn of speed, and has produced at least two horses of very high quality, the pacer under consideration and the good trotter Zomrect 2:12¼, with a trial last fall two seconds faster and now in training for a campaign this year. With the least bit of luck in her favor, Lilly S. should be a duly recorded double two-ten producer before the bell rings for the last time in 1916. Performance and production on the maternal side do not stop with the dam, as the grandam of King Lilly Pointer is Lilly Stanley 2:17½, a triple producing daughter of Whippleton. Mr. Nesmith has colts in his barn that are ample testimony to the potency of their sire, and he will be pleased to have broodmare owners come and inspect them, or send for the detailed information concerning his horse and his get which space will not permit us to include herewith.

WITH SANTA ANA HORSEMEN.

Santa Ana, March 14, 1916.

Santa Ana is sure one busy place when it comes to the horse end of entertainment. I was informed by one of the board of directors of the Orange County Fair that there would be another county fair here this coming fall, but the date is not yet set, although some time in September is proposed. However, the Orange County Driving Club is preparing for another matinee on April first, which will consist of three harness races and two running races. It is no uncommon thing to see a thoroughbred go prancing down Bristol street toward the track for its morning breeze now, as Mr. Lucas has bought Hardy, the white runner, from Mr. Livengood of Pomona, and I also saw Light Comedy, another well known thoroughbred, out taking exercise today.

Dutch, the colt that took the honor of winning his first race here last fair time, is looking fine and promises the boys their money's worth on April Fool day.

I was out to the fair grounds the other day, and while there met "Silent" Murphy, who has a very nice bunch of horses. He is just beginning to work them after a two-month layoff. His stable consists of twelve head in all:—

1—Red McK. 43766, the blue-ribbon winner at our fair in 1915. He is a handsome horse and is attracting people who contemplate breeding. He will make the season of 1916 at the Santa Ana fair grounds.

2—Doctor S. 2:14½, by Carlokin, dam by Guide 2:16, may be seen on the California Circuit this fall.

3—Tommy Murphy, another green trotter that I saw work two heats last fall better than 2:17, looks stronger and has grown wonderfully.

4—Lilly Marie, a green pacing mare sired by Hal McKinney, dam Lilly Mack. Murphy expects things of this mare and I believe he is right.

5—Dick W. 2:20, by Walter Barker, dam Sue 2:12½ by Athadon. This horse can do a quarter in 30 seconds and has done a half in 1:04.

6—Green pacer by Carpus, dam Kitty Wilkes 2:12 by George Wilkes.

7—Bonita Pen by Directum Pen 2:12, dam Bonita 2:16 by Knight. This colt goes like a trotter and has lots of steam just like his sire.

8—Wanna Wilkes by San Juan 2:16, dam by Seymour Wilkes. This mare is a nice trotter.

9—The one the writer likes is a bay colt 21 months old, named Harold M. I saw Murphy step him an eighth in 20½ seconds. He is by Red McK., dam Celendine.

10—Green pacer by Junior Dan Patch, dam by Early Reaper, has been a half in 1:05.

11—Miss Patterson, green pacer by Zenith, dam by On Stanley.

12—Bondine, brown colt by Bon McKinney, dam Celendine. Murphy likes this colt also.

Mr. Fred Schultz keeps his trotter Laddie at wire edge all the time an enjoys a breeze every week.

Black Diamond, L. F. Clapp's pacer, was on the track Monday. He is looking fine and hearty.

Another remarkable improvement that I have noticed in a green colt is a little gray mare owned by W. M. Yost, four years old, who was never hitched single until January 3, came out this morning with her toeweights on for the first time and stepped a quarter in :40.

Other horses frequently seen upon the track are Brownie, trotter, owned by Fred Culver, Atlantic Fleet, pacer, owned by Fred Cole, and California Chief, trotter, owned by Wm. English of El Toro.

There are several colts training here by outsiders that I did not learn the names of who look good to me.

The Orange County Driving Club invites everybody to join in and help make a good matinee on the Santa Ana track on Saturday, April 1.

E. F. HALL.

THE MIDWINTER SALE.

Taken all in all the results of the recent Midwinter Sale in New York were very satisfactory. There was a pretty healthy demand for everything that looked like it would earn itself out at the races, with a scarcity of aged horses present and the buyers expressing a preference for staked youngsters. Stallions were on the other end of the see-saw, being about the slowest sellers considering the high quality offered, while a certain per cent of mediocre stuff went through the ring at the usual bargain prices. Some of the most noteworthy sales were commented on briefly in our last issue, while in the following list is presented each horse that sold for a figure in excess of three hundred dollars:

Northern Queen, b f (2), by The Northern Man—Margaret Kenney, by Prodigal; Wm. Whatton, Irvington, N. J. ..... $ 330
Commodore Sybil, rn c (4), by Vice Commodore—Baroness, by Baron Wilkes; Harry E. Seamon, South Manchester, Conn. 350
Genteel Joe 2:13¼, b m (9), by The Mediator—Zoey, by Gambetta Wilkes; F. P. Feiger, Erie, Pa. 400
Mistle Thrush, ch f (2), by Axworthy—Mantua Maker, by Red Wilkes; H. S. Crossman, New York 1000
Mahomet Watts 2:08¼, b s (7), by General Watts—Alla (Alla P.), by Palo Alto; R. E. Morris, Jersey City 800
Twinkling Dan 2:06¼, br s (9), by Dan Patch—Twinkle, by Mercury C.; Jas. Harwood, New York 700
Miss Watts 2:28¼, b m (5), by General Watts—Twinkle, by Mercury C.; Frank J. Sinclair, 141 Ocean street, Lynn Mass. 700
Oscar Watts 2:23, b c (3), by General Watts—Silva T., by Wiggins; D. B. Burnham, Park Avenue Hotel, New York 750
Bella Watts, b f, yearling, by General Watts—Proxy Belle, by Adbell; A. L. Thomas, Benson, Neb. 310
Dark Pearl, b c, 1915, by General Watts—Earl Poindexter, by Sam Estes; H. W. Hauger, Vanderbilt building, New York 335
George Watts, ch c, 1915, by General Watts—Ashleaf Wilkes, by Ashland Wilkes; A. L. Thomas, Benson, Neb. 575
Olive Fant, b f, 1915, by General Watts—May Stewart, by San Mateo; H. B. Hanger, Vanderbilt building, New York 325
Ann Watts, ch f (1), by General Watts—Betty B. H., by King Larue; H. B. Hanger, Vanderbilt building, New York 475
Sandorra, b f (1), by San Francisco—Andorra, by Mobel; W. R. Cox, Dover, N. H. 2,025
Truxton, b c (1), by San Francisco—Talathea, by Walnut Hall; W. R. Cox, Dover, N. H. 3,225
Salinas, b f (1), by San Francisco—Susotte, by Walnut Hall; W. R. Cox, Dover, N. H. 1,025
Hippodrome, b c (1), by Moko—Hester Prim, by Prodigal; James Snell, Lexington, Ky. 1,325
Dorothy Phillips, b f (1), by Manrico—Dorothy Curtis, by Peter the Great; M. Morris, Washington, D. C. 700
Margaret Tipton, b f (1), by Manrico—Martha Tipton, by Walnut Hall; W. H. Nelson, New York 575
Susitna, ch f (1), by Manrico—Sudena, by Maxworthy; H. E. Erwin, Howell, Mich. 450
Forefather, b c (2), by San Francisco—Franletta, by Moko; Fred Carter; New York 340
Virginia Todd 2:25¼, b m (6), by Todd Mac—Babbie, by P. H. Baker, Jr.; S. B. Russell, Lewiston, Pa. 1,450
Denton Hale 2:23¼, bl g (4), by Senator Hale—Julia Windsor, by Saint Julius; A. W. Kline, Reading, Pa. 575
Antonio Guy, b s by Guy Axworthy—Honor Bright, by Antonio; D. S. Kennedy, Worcester, Mass. 475
Light Silk 2:18¼, ch m (6), by Silk Cord—Headlight, by Dictator Chief; E. B. Junger, Scranton, Pa. 330
M. L. J. 2:09½, b g (7) by Red Will—Narcissa, by Marquette; J. W. Linnehan, Boston, Mass. 825
Para Belle 2:10¾, b m (7), by Paralizer—Belle McKee, by Electioneer; Barney Huff, Philadelphia, Pa. 525
Easter Toddington 2:13¼, br g (7), by Toddington—Cas-Ed-Mar, by Jubilee de Jarnette; Fred Jamison, New York 420
Motalia 2:17¼, br s (6), by Moko—Italia, by Zombro; W. E. Mills, Washington, D. C. 410
Robert Milroi 2:06¾, b g (12), by Milroi—Netalina, by Robt. McGregor; J. O. Reay, Boston, Mass. 400
Winter, b s (5), by Allen Winter—daughter of Moko; Jos. Wisenfeld, New York 350
Brita Worthy, b m (5), by Axworthy—Sidnaeta, by Sidney; J. H. Cloud, Newark, N. J. 310
Sadie Ashbourne, ch m (2), by Ashbourne—Mary C., by Idol King; C. Edwards, Skowhegan, Me. 460
Legal Prince, gr g (7), by Legal Parole—Mary A., by Empire Wilkes; J. N. Ackerman, Paterson, N. J. 355
Barinetta, b m (6), by Rebel Baron—Arinette by Arion; Gorge Hansen, New Brunswick, N. J. 375
Belona 2:24¼, b m (6), by Bingara—Kilarne by Kremlin; W. McLean, New York 390
Paquita Belle, b m (10), by Mobel—Chiquerita by Jersey Wilkes; John Splan, New York 300
Mount Brook, gr g (7), by Vera Brook—McEwen; A. W. Kline, Reading, Pa. 475
Seumanee, b h (13), by Bingen—Red Tape, by Prodigal; S. Drew, Dover, N. H. 360
Motalia 2:17¼, b h (6), by Moko—Italia, by Zombro; W. H. McLean 390
Wilbur the Great, b h (9), by Peter the Great—White Wings M. by Alfonso; Wm. McLean 690
Miss Elmarch, b m (5), by Ozono—Elmarch, by Delmarch; F. P. Fox, New York 550
Belle Chimes, b m (6), by Bingara—Chimes Bell, by Chimes; Lewis F. Castor, Frankfort, Pa. 625
Tuna Frisco, b m (5), by San Francisco—Miss Turney, by Baron Wilkes; H. B. Rolston, Bright, Mass. 335
Frances Ash 2:16¼, b m (9), by Ashland Wilkes—Miss Fasig, by Elyria; Barnet Clupp, Philadelphia. 300
Sahib 2:17¾, b h (16), by Bingen—Lady Ethelynn, by Jackdaw; F. Ackerman, New Jersey 500
High Admiral 2:07¾, bl h (10), by Admiral Dewey—Avena, by Palo Alto; Robert Williams, New York. 500
Grace Brown 2:28½ (br m (7), by Prodigal—Enola D., by Axtell; J. L. Tarlton, Lexington, Ky. 600
Northern Maid, b f (2), by The Northern Man—Moko Maid, by Moko; Jacob Roth, Orange, N. J. 460
Alice Roosevelt 2:08¼, ch m (13), by The Scorcher—Pap's Flaxen, by Black Hawk McGregor; W. F. Young, Springfield 310
Bay filly, b f (3), by Moko—Alice Roosevelt, by The Scorcher; W. F. Young, Springfield 325
Olive Oil 2:21¾, b m (5), by Peter the Great—Madness, by Hustler Russell; W. R. Cox, New York. 680
Sweetie F. 2:08¾, b m (5), by Paronhurst—Kitty Arion, by Arion; A. J. Furbush 885
Morganleaf 2:27, b c (3), by Morgan Axworthy—Ashleaf Wilkes, by Ashland Wilkes; W. E. Miller, Washington, D. C. 600
Earl of Morgan 2:29½, b c (3), by Morgan Axworthy—May Earl, by San Mateo; S. D. Collins, Haverhill, Mass. 560
Fleda F. 2:21, b m (5) by Morgan Axworthy—Muda S., by Stamboul; John Splan 400
Signola, b c (3), by Echo Todd—Yacatala, by Arion; Stockwell Stable, Newark, Del. 660
Thorne Worthy 2:11¼, ch h (5), by Axworthy—Hawthorne, by Jay Bird; Stockwell Stable, Newark, Del. 1,575
Mr. Hawthorne 2:19¼, rn c (3), by Axworthy—Hawthorne, by Jay Bird; W. R. Cox 4,000
George W. Leavitt, b c (3), by The Northern Man—Be Great, by Peter the Great; W. F. Bailey, Norwich, Conn. 375
Miss Purple, ch f (2), by Peter the Great—Purple Onward, by Onward; E. D. Barry, Cleveland, O. 1,000
Onward Forbes 2:09¼, b or br h (4), by J. Malcolm Forbes—Phoebe Onward, by Shadeland; A. J. Furbush 860
Battle Spirit, b c (1), by Walnut Hall—Great Spirit, by Prodigal; W. H. Nelson, Mt. Kisco, N. Y. 1,000
San Vienna, ch c (1), by San Francisco—Jessie Benyon, by Moko; E. Splan 370
Barbara Lee, b f (1), by Manrico—Blanche Norris, by Walnut Hall; W. R. Cox 475
Saint Frusquin, b c (1), by San Francisco—Melisande, by Walnut Hall; W. R. Cox 5,600
Nelly North, b f (1), by San Francisco—Mary North, by Moko; H. S. Crossman, New York 700
Miss Moire, b f (1), by Moko—Silk Milroi, by Milroi; J. L. Knight, Nicholasville, Ky. 450
Blanche Douglas, b f (1), by San Francisco—Blanche Tipton, by Mobel; H. Stambaugh, Youngstown O. 575
Barcaldine, br c (1), by Manrico—Bonilla, by Adbell; Ross F. Stout, Clarksburg, W. Va. 435
Beta Girl, b f (1), by Moko—Bessie Hall, by Walnut Hall; D. W. Maloney, White Plains, N. Y. 350
Frank Bogash Jr. 1:59¼, b g (11), by Frank Bogash—Phyllis Stanford, by Stanford; James Healy, Ryndell, Pa. 2,000
Sadie Penn 2:11¼, b m (6) by William Penn First—Mabel Casson, by Wayward; Stockwell Stable, Newark, N. J. 1,625
Silver Heels 2:15¼, b g (10), by Jay McGregor—Helen Gould, by Constantine; D. Greenberg, New York. 350
Susie M., br m (11), by Great Medium—Nora Wilkes, by Bonner Wilkes; W. H. McLean 350
Fayre Rosamond 2:14, b m (5) by Aquilin—Jolly Bird, by Jay Bird; W. R. Cox, Dover, N. H. 2,150
Earle Jr. 2:01½, g h (11), by The Earl—Jenny Cameron, by Sagasta; Arthur G. Jones, Dorchester, Mass. 2,700
Trenella, br f (3), by San Francisco—Terentia, by Expedition; M. Moody, New York 425
Branham Baughman 2:04¼, br h (11), by Gambetta Wilkes—Patsy Best, by Nuthurst; E. B. Phillips, Danbury, Mass. 600
Frank Patch 2:06¼, br h (11), by The Patchen Boy—Baroness Vivette, by Baron Jean; Wm. Thompson, New York 875
Radium Silk 2:13¼, br m (9), by Silk Cord—Bertha Derby by Chas. Derby; John Splan 350

DEATH CLAIMS HORSES' FRIEND.

Forty-odd years ago there came to this city from the Mendocino county home where his family had settled after their arrival in America from Scotland, a husky young fellow in his early twenties by the name of James McNab. His first job was driving a dray, and before the time came when death cut short his career early this week he had risen to be one of the best known and most successful men in San Francisco, the head of large enterprises, director in others including the P.-P. I. E. (in whose service he is believed to have brought on the long illness which finally proved fatal), one-time president of the Chamber of Commerce and at all times one of the best judges of heavy horses in the world. Entering into an early partnership with John Smith, the business being continued under the name of McNab & Smith after the latter's death, he made that concern the foremost user of high grade draft horses on the coast. Quality was the watchword in buying horsepower with James McNab, and to the admirer of animals there is no finer sight in San Francisco today than the big teams of McNab & Smith, from pairs to multiple hitches, doing daily service on our streets. The firm was proud of its horses and seldom allowed an opportunity to exhibit them to pass by, believing that course to be a prime incentive for the breeder to raise horses of the highest class. At the exposition and at many minor horse shows in this section their black sixes have been invincible, and mighty little preparation is sufficient to prepare any number of their stable for the show ring. James McNab was a man in whom the west could well take pride, and in his passing the draft horse and the draft horse breeder have lost one of their best friends.

THE NORTHWEST'S TROTTING QUEEN.

Last summer while the get of the dead Zombro 2:11 were performing so consistently over eastern tracks, it being stated at one time during the season by a prominent turf writer that he could name about ten of the family then racing who were capable of beating the two-ten mark, one of his daughters was giving a very nice object lesson in consistent trotting on the tracks of the North Pacific Fair Circuit. She was a brown mare, nine years of age, who had been more or less familiar to racegoers in that section since the year she was a three-year-old, and while her sire was a Californian she was a genuine "Web-foot" on the maternal side of the house, her dam being the bay mare Flora G. 2:21 by Altago, a Washington-bred son of Altamont. Flora G. raced around Willamette valley points twenty years or so ago and on one occasion she and Zombro were both heat winners in the same race, so it seems fitting that the offspring of their mating should also be a trotter of considerable note. Maurice Winter of Albany owned Flora G. at the time she was bred to Zombro, and when a neat brown filly eventually made her appearance he cribbed a bit from the names of both sire and dam, added a couple of syllables for reasons of his own and called her Floradora Z.

Now when this lassie was a three-year-old she went away to the races and continued to go about every year afterward, missing one or two, perhaps, and while she showed at times to be a pretty fair kind of a prospect most of the trainers who handled her had very poor lunck with her, so that when she came into the hands of McCormack & Cudihee of Seattle it was a case of "thumbs down" for hers whenever her name was brought up in fast company on the coal stove circuit.

However, the McKinneys usually come late when they fail to come early if the owners and trainers are just sufficiently persistent, and last winter Floradora was given just a little better deal through the cold months and went into spring training in very promising style. Her owners turned her over to Charley Guion before the season was well advanced, and she and Charley proceeded to organize a close corporation, the new firm's place of business being any halfmile track in the northwest where the going was good, and its avowed intention being to annex as many of the slow trots as possible, surely a laudable ambition and one that was pretty well fulfilled.

Their first start came in the middle of August over the course at Vancouver, B. C., and by trotting the first, third and fourth heats between nineteen and twenty they were able to make a proper start for a successful season. Frank D. Nichol won the second heat in 2:20¾ and there were nine in all in the race, but at that one of Floradora's erstwhile trainers confided to one of the judges that she was a sour old cow and that she would not be heard from again all summer. Over at Centralia-Chehalis where she went from the Canadian metropolis it looked like the joy-killer might be right at that, as she was fourth in her first start to Hallie B. and behind the money in the next one to Novela 2:15¼, this being the race in which John B. Stetson's mare annexed the figures that adorn her name in the year book at present, or at any rate will do so when the year book comes out. We have to be careful even in these little things or somebody will make us out a liar, and while of course we don't mind that on occasions and really expect it every so often, we hate to waste a misstatement on so negligible a thing as the year book, which may or may not be out.

This was the last chance the anvil chorus had to get in its deadly work, however, as Floradora and Charley proceeded to annex the top of the summary eight times in a row, eleven starts being the sum total for their campaign. Once in a while Novela or Hallie B., or Columbia T., driven by such pesky highliners as J. B. Stetson and George Swisher and Lon Daniels, would slide down in front for one heat, but no more. She demonstrated her ability to handle herself nicely in any kind of footing and at North Yakima, closely followed by Hallie B., she stepped three heats in 2:13¼, 2:11½ and 2:13.

She closed up her season at the Oregon State Fair at Salem where she was a two time winner, dropping one heat in each start to Novela, and was sent home in the best of condition. She has been jogged daily through the winter and Guion plans to take her down through the Central West, unless enough 2:12 classes are announced in the northwest to make it worth while for her to stay at home. Good judges who are familiar with the form she displayed last year predict her ability to trot in seven or eight this season, and wherever she races she is liable to prove pretty bothersome to the balance of the field in the final brush in the stretch.

PREPAREDNESS AND THE HORSE MARKET.

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at that) is undoubtedly well grounded for the most part:

"Scarcity of mules suitable for military purposes, and almost as great a scarcity of horses for cavalry and field artillery, has already caused two days' delay in preparing any Mexican expeditionary force for taking the field.

"This was learned yesterday from entirely reliable sources here. Entraining of cavalry and field artillery from various points in the United States for the border, was delayed solely because of shortage of mules and horses, for while the United States Army is recruited to practically its full peace strength in men, it is short of animals. The Government of Great Britain has grabbed all those in sight that might fulfill the requirements of American military service.

"Thousands of mules that would otherwise be available for use in the United States Army, are now 'somewhere in France.' Twice that number of horses are today carrying soldiers of the allied troops or pulling their field artillery up in the direction of the intrenched forces of Germany.

"There was twenty-four hours of delay in shipping the First Cavalry from the Presidio of Monterey because the regiment was short of horses and mules, according to the Quartermaster's Department. Other posts had to be called on to supply the deficiency before the command could move. Every regiment of horse on the border, or en route to it, has been handicapped for the same reason.

"During the last year the allies have purchased in the United States not less than 250,000 mules and 500,000 head of horses. The requirements of the allies in horses and mules are almost identically that of the United States, from the standpoint of individual animals. The allies have bought up, at almost any price asked, all the horses and mules that suited them, and that therefore such as would suit the United States Army. The American service has not met the prices the allies have been willing to pay—and has therefore not bought many horses and mules during the last year. The result is a greater scarcity of animals in the service than has existed at any time since the Civil War.

"During the last year the Kansas City mule and horse market has furnished the allies with 60,000 mules and 120,000 horses. This is but one American market visited by the representatives of the allies. It is the American Army's one standby for mules, however, and the mule shortage here can be directly traced to the fact that the allies have swept Kansas City clean of these animals."

While there may be a certain amount of chaff with the grain in the foregoing, almost every stockgrower who has had experience with the United States system of securing remounts and who has kept in touch with affairs since the European buying began some months ago will say amen to most of it. At the same time there is no necessity for going to the extreme the other way and prophesy that in a given length of time the army of the United States will be put entirely a-foot. What is needed is the establishment of a special bureau for the supplying—or purchasing—of remounts which would cut out the middleman and which would be composed of persons who know an army horse when they see it, and the raising of the minimum price paid for accepted animals of the various classes to a point at which it would pay farmers and breeders to raise them. At present our beneficent government expects our breeders to bring to maturity and thoroughly educate a horse which should combine all the desirable points of the famous horses of history of all breeds, including that deceptive and highly successful strategist, the Wooden Horse of Troy. The horny handed farmer having complied with all these requirements and having produced a horse that ought to be worth not less than three hundred dollars he will now be allowed to dispose of him to a gyp for the munificent sum of forty to a hundred dollars, less if possible. The gyp will proceed to pass him along up the line to the outfit with a pull who were awarded the original contract, the balance of the contract price being cut among the various handlers. Moreover, authorities differ as to what constitutes an acceptable animal in his class. One army inspector will turn horses down and a few weeks later another will accept them. The sub-contractor and the sub-sub-contractor and so on down to the "nth" degree of sub-contractors have to make a big profit to guard against the losses from rejects at the final inspection, for while the things to be considered in determining an army horse's fitness are numerous enough, the Lord knows, they pale into insignificance beside the veritable legion of things which may be considered, properly or improperly, as constituting unfitness.

Given direct purchasing at a price that gives the breeder a run for his money, with a fairly established standard of type for each branch of service for which the horse or mule is desired, a fair inspection by inspectors who know what they want and who are not reached by outside influence, and the army horse shortage will in a very short time become a myth.

The shortage will not be supplied, however, through the passing of a measure now before the House of Representatives of our national Congress and entitled "A bill to increase the efficiency of the United States Cavalry and Artillery," from which we extract the following:

"Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of Agriculture be, and is hereby, authorized to employ expert advice and assistance to ascertain, by anatomical research and experimental breeding, the type and proportions of horses best suited to the service required in the Army. Also to determine and record the proportions of horses noted for great speed at running and trotting, and especially to what extent the short back of the Arab horse is found in his immediate descendants.

"Sec. 2. That for the purposes of carrying this into effect there is appropriated the sum of $25,000, or as much thereof as may be necessary, from any money in the Treasury not otherwise appropriated."

To go far into an analysis of this particular piece of foolishness were futile in the extreme. The only reason apparent to our mind for the introduction of such a measure is that some political panhandler is badly in need of twenty-five thousand dollars, or as much of it as he may safely grab. A second and third reading of the bill engenders a feeling of disgust which in the writer's particular case is expressed most aptly by terse but plebeian expletive:

Oh, hell!

With the building of the new course known as The Speedway last summer at Omaha, that thriving city arrived back on the trotting horse map with a bump. With three meetings scheduled for this season, two at the Benson track and one at the new course, things begin to look livelier than ever. A correspondent of the Spirit of the West tells briefly of the Omaha winter colony as follows: "Preparations are being made by the various trainers who have been winter training at the Speedway and Benson tracks to start shaping their charges up for the next campaign. Marvin Childs, who is in charge of the Peterson stable, may take his string to a mile track for their work around April 1, according to reports circulated in Omaha. Childs is jogging Major Bye Bye 2:19¼, Ben Earl 2:12¼, Tom Smith 2:11¼, Sad Thoughts 2:06¼, and a couple of colts which Peterson recently obtained from Pat McAvoy. Pimmy Ronin has been industriously engaged in keeping the winter kinks out of the muscles of Hal McKinney 2:06¼, Hal Connors and Tina G., the trio owned by Tom Dennison, and Pronto J. 2:17¼, and Frank Holloway, a green pacer, both owned by Bob Sebastian. Lee Dale 2:09¼, the good pacer owned by Wall Brothers, of Fremont, also has been added to the Ronin string and will be prepared by him for the races. Hal Connors, which was credited with phenomenal speed while in the Geers stable last season, is reported to be working in splendid shape with the straps and likely to show the racing form of which he is capable at this style of going. It was only because of the veteran Geers' aversion to riding behind a hoppled nag that Dennison was able to buy this speedy youngster. Fred Meyers, the proprietor of the Horseman Hotel, has a trio of steeds at work under Ronin. One of these, the double-gaited veteran Jim O'Shea, has been assigned permanently to the sidewheel way of going and encased in straps to make certain he will stick consistently to this gait. Meyers is confident that Jim will prove a bearcat among brush pacers when once the old timer gets accustomed to traveling exclusively at the one style of racing. In addition to the O'Shea horse, Meyers has McKinney Wilkes and Sir Charles K., the latter a green pacer with lots of whiz. Around the first of the present month R. R. (Buck) Laughlin will start work with a stable at the Speedway track.

Thoroughbred Matters

IMPORTED HORSES TO RACE THIS YEAR.

So many American horsemen have taken advantage of the hard times across the sea to replenish their holdings with fresh infusions from the European branch of the family of the thoroughbred that the array of imported horses of racing age has reached quite impressive proportions. So much interest has been displayed in the newcomers that the Jockey Club has prepared a list of those of racing age now under American ownership that have been brought over since the close of the last season's racing, while the ranks of the emigrants will receive several additions before this year's major meetings have gotten far under way. The following had been registered with the parent body up to March first:

Adroit, ch f, 3, by Broomstick—Artful.
Ardent, b f, 3, by Broomstick—Heart's Desire.
Arliet, ch m, 5, by Harry Melton—Koster Girl.
Allumeur, b h, 5, by Meddler—Strike-a-Light II.
Blume, ch f, 3. by Broomstick—Blue Girl.
Broomvale, b g, 3, by Broomstick—Glenvale.
Beckna, b c, 3, by Troutbeck—St. Natalia.
Ben Wyvis, br g, 6, by Symington—Magnitude.
Brotherstone, ch c, 5, by Ian—Bettyfield.
Benevolent, b g, 4, by Benvenuto—Linton Lily.
Bunchy, b f, 3, by Llangwm—Bunch of Grass.
Beauvau, blk h, 6, by Boniface—Bull's Eye.
Cardamine, ch f, 3, by Sir Archibald—Alster Cress.
Combey, b c, 3, by Wuffy—Combe.
Chicle, b c by Spearmint—Lady Hamburg II.
Colonel Vennie, b c, 3, by Picton—Say Missis.
Colonel Matt, b c, 3, by Colin—Ornelia.
Clapperoill, ch c, 3, by Thursh—Azores.
Devil Fish, br c, 4, by Robert le Diable—Water Nymph.
Day Light II., ch h, 9, by Verditer—Peep of Day.
Emden, b c, 3, by Broomstick—Miss Hamburg.
Engelbert, ch c, 3, by Caius—Orla.
Emerald Isle II., b m , 5, by Fariman—Forfaria.
Fleuro, b c, 3, by Cicero—Fleurette II.
Frulery, b f, 3, by Broomstick—Petticoat.
Faux-Col, br c, 3, by Valens—Collet Monte.
Glenera, b c, 3, by White Eagle—Cannera.
Guardian Saint, ch g, 5, by Up Guards—Sainte Marquise.
Hidden Star, blk f, 3, by Burgomaster—Black Venus.
Hurland, b or br g, 3, by Land League—Hurile.
Hanlon, b c, 3, by Colin—Vain Chick.
Honeywood, br c, 5, by Polymelus—Honey Bird.
Hesperus, b or br c, 3, by Sunstar—Our Lassie.
Lingtal, br c, 3, by Fowlingpiece—Tetotal.
Lady Erwina, ch f, 4, by Lochryan—Miss Bobs.
Manhasset, b g, 3, by Hamburg—Mineola.
Mandy Hamilton, b f, 3, by John O'Gaunt—My Sweetheart.
Merry Answer, b f, 3, by Benvenuto—Pop the Question.
Maybud II., b g, 5, by Veles—Cambus o' May.
May Bird, ch f, 3, by Thrush—May Bruce.
Nenuphar, b g, 5, by Santry—Samphire.
Neville II., ch c, 3, by Joe Chamberlin—Kate Angelo.
Nyack, ch c, 3, by Uncle—Semblance.
Orlo, ch f, 3, by Orby—Lotus.
Old Scout, ch c, 3, by Chaucer—Kalydor.
Polroma, b c, 3, by Polymelus—Lacroma.
Port Light, b g, 3, by Hamburg—Morningside.
Pesky, b f, 3, by Broomstick—Perverse.
Petlar, b c, 3, by Collar—Petit Tor.
Prim Harry, ch g, 3, by Sir Harry—Prim Alice.
Pigeonsthorpe, br f, 3, by Crackenthorpe—Blue Pigeon.
Primbutton, b m, 5, by Bachelor's Button—Gay Primrose.
Burdey, b or br c, 4, by Fowlingpiece—Lady Hamburg II.
Polistena, b f, 4, by Polymelus—Imola.
Perugino, ch g, 3, by St. Victrix—Perugia.
Ronkiss, b or br c, 3, by Dick Ronald—Sunkiss.
Sunward, ch c, 3, by Santoi—Edwardine.
Shirelis, b c, 3, by Forfarshire—Miss Phyllis.
Sansyming, b c, 3, by Santry—Symington Tell.
Swiftfoot II, b c, 4, by Thrush—Abbots Anne.
Simon Jones, ch c, 3, by Simon Square—Jonestown.
Sandmark, br f, 3, by Burgomaster—Sandria.
Set Square, ch f, 4, by Simon Square—Scythia
Seemly, b f, 3, by Torpun—Senses.
Stalybridge, ch g, 5, by Galloping Lad—Lovewell.
Saundersfoot, ch g, 3, by Fra Diavolo—Galmpton.
Star Hawk, b c, 3, by Sunstar—Sweet Finch.
The Brook, b or br g, 3, by Troutbeck—Hattie.
The Cock, ch c, 3, by Poussin—dam by Volodyovski out of Wise Saw.
Uffizzi, b f, by Burgomaster—Fiesole.
Upper-Cut, b f, 3, by St. Denis—Smasher.

Harry Morrisey, who returned to his home in Kentucky shortly after the suspension of the Tia Juana meeting, was stricken with pneumonia a few days ago but is reported improving nicely at present.

LEE ROSE TO MANAGE TIA JUANA.

Horsemen throughout the west who are eagerly awaiting the reopening of the plant of the Lower California Jockey Club at Tia Juana, which is scheduled to take place early in April, will learn with pleasure of a change in officials which has been made by President Coffroth, Lee Rose of Los Angeles succeeding Jake Holtman as Mr. Coffroth's right hand man. Mr. Rose is not only one of the best qualified men obtainable to manage such an enterprise but he is also one of the best liked men in the business. Bred and raised with horses from the time of the extensive operations of his father, the late L. J. Rose who occupied a position of such prominence among the early day breeders on this coast, he has learned the game from all angles and will be able to do even more than his able predecessor in the way of popularizing the Tia Juana track with horsemen and public and in maintaining amicable relations between the management and all parties with whom they have business of any nature. When Tia Juana reopens there is every assurance of its success and for its permanent establishment as the racing center of the Pacific coast. The sport was good before, as we have yet to talk with a single disgruntled visitor to the races as conducted before the flood, and with Mr. Rose at the helm we believe that it will be even better. His selection is one of the very best of the numerous good moves made by Mr. Coffroth and his associates.

The winter meeting of the Juarez Jockey Club, which has been conducted in the face of obstacles of various natures since its opening last winter, was brought to an abrupt close early this week when things began to look squally between our Uncle Samuel and the little brown brother to the south of us, most of the horsemen in attendance losing little or no time in getting themselves and their horses back across the bridge into El Paso. Rumors that the meeting was to be discontinued have been rife at different times in the past, but this time it was not a rumor, but an accomplished fact. Monday's program was raced before a very small and noticeably uneasy crowd, and as there was but a few days longer to run at best, all hands and the cook turned in and called it a day and vamoosed poco prontito. Some of the stables shipped on out for eastern points to await the opening of the season there, but many with western inclinations will come on to the coast to take part in the spring meeting at Reno and in the revival at Tia Juana, which is now but a matter of a few weeks removed. Doubt is expressed in some quarters as to whether Juarez will ever "come back," now that winter racing has been revived both in the central south and out here, but with settled conditions across the border it will probably continue as a racing center with a considerable degree of success.

The initial meeting at Reno last summer under the pari-mutual system, controlled by a state racing commission, met with such marked success that Reno folks as well as those from many other sections of the west have anxiously awaited the announcement of the dates for the second meeting. Deciding that the total allotment of days would bring even more enjoyment and meet with even greater success if cut two ways the association has decided to give a spring and fall meeting this year, the early event to begin very probably on Saturday, May 27. While there was some feeling in Nevada against the establishing of speculation of the kind in evidence under the new bill, on the part of people unfamiliar with conditions engendered thereby, all doubts as to the the new bill, all on the part of people unfamiliar with days of actual experience. Nevada is on the racing map to stay, and with the plant at Tia Juana soon to be in operation again, and the whole state of California in the "receptive stage" the outlook for the thoroughbred in the west is much rosier than has been the case at any time since 1911.

KENTUCKY DERBY DRAWS WELL.

Fifty-six of the best bred three-year-olds in America, among them a number from France and England, have been nominated for the forty-third renewal of the historic Kentucky Derby, which will be run in all probability on May 13 at Churchill Downs under the auspices of the New Louisville Jockey Club. Harry Payne Whitney, whose great filly Regret captured last year's Derby, is the heaviest patron of the stake with seven nominations including Thunderer, winner of the last Futurity, and Dominant, leading money winner of the two-year-olds last season. The west will be interested especially in the entries of A. K. Macomber and the youngsters Skeer Face, formerly owned by George Wingfield, and Big Smoke, T. C. Bradley & Co.'s bay son of Duke of Ormonde—Gold Lace. The complete list of entries is as follows:

King Gorin, ch c by Transvaal—Ethel Simpson, and Hops, ch g by Hastings—Crimea, R. L. Baker & Co.
Big Smoke, b c by Duke of Ormonde—Gold Lace, and Pockichoo, ch c by Stalwart—Miss Peggy, T. C. Bradley & Co.
*Desmond's Day, b c by Desmond—Palmy Days, and Blind Baggage, b c by Sain—Love Not, E. R. Bradley.
Spur, b c by King James—Auntie Mum, James Butler.
Bank, b c by Mint—Miss Blair, L. E. Clark.
Greenwood, br c by Marathon—Presentation, F. D. Cregler.
*Neville II, ch c by Joe Chamberlain—Kate Angelo; Mustard, ch c by Golden Maxim—Bit of Spice, and White Hackle, ch c by Star Shoot—Mary Talbott, W. R. Coe.
Huffaker, b c by Dick Welles—Outwai, W. F. Cisco.
Cosmic, ch c by Countless—Mjosen, J. G. Greener.
Kinney, b c by Dick Welles—Lady Strathmore, T. P. Hayes.
Votary, ch c by Voter—Ecstasy, J. B. Haggin Estate.
Meadoworth, br c by Sain—Jennie J., H. C. Hallenbeck.
Lubelski, ch c by Ferole—English Esther, W. G. King-Dodds.
Churchill, br c by Sweep—Lamp Girl, Foxhall P. Keene.
Candle, ch g by Charles Edward—Torchlight, J. Lumsden.
*Palroma, b c by Polymelus—Lacroma; *Colonel Vennie, b c by Picton—Shy Missie; *Sanward, ch g by Santoi—Edwardine; *Fleuro, b c by Cicero—Fleurette II., and Julia L., ch f by Harrigan—Princess Tulane, Jefferson Livingston.
J. J. Murdock, b c by Contestor—Grotesque, Milam & Levy.
Jack O'Dowd, br c by Peter Pan—Lauretta Burke, P. J. Millett.
Checks, ch g by Marathon—Monarda, T. C. McDowell.
Gillies, ch c by Ogden—Golden Drop, J. E. Madden.
*Baffouilleur, b c by Meddler—Ballantrae, and *Esprit Gaulois, br c by Rabelois—Gunfire, Clarence H. Mackay.
Gipsey George, b g by Dick Welles—Animosity, M. C. Moore.
*Hesperus, b or br c by Sunstar—Our Lassie; *Star Hawk, b c by Sun Star—Sweet Finch, and *The Cock, ch c by Poussin—Dam by Volodyovski—Wise Saw, A. K. Macomber.
Lena Micha, ch c by King James—Gatien Belle, F. J. Nolan (Beverwyck Stable).
Ed Bond, br g by Mint—La Dotta, W. L. Oliver.
Bulse, ch c by Disguise—Nethersole, J. W. Parrish.
Dr. Moore, ch c by Disguise—Lardella, Parrish & Rodgers.
Heir Apparent, ch c by Blues—Royal Lady, Al Rogers.
Dick Williams, br g by Dick Finnell—Annie Williams, John W. Schorr.
Prince Harry, ch c by McGee—White Plume, and Ethel May, b c by McGee—Virginia Moore, J. H. Stamper Jr.
Blackie Daw, blk c by Transvaal—Mary Day, Jesse Spencer.
George Smith, blk c out of Reach—Consuelo II, and St. Isidore, ch g by Isidor—Onaga, John Sanford.
Skeer Face, b c by Hippodrome—Fleeing Venus, George Wingfield.
Thunderer, ch c by Broomstick—Jersey Lightning; Dominant, br c by Delhi—Dominoes; Chicle, b c by Spearmint—Lady Hamburg II.; Bromo, b c by Broomstick—Leayonara; Slipshop, b g by Burgomaster—Slippers; *Clapperbill, ch c by Thrush—Azores, and Hansa, ch f by Hamburg—Daisy F., H. P. Whitney.
Dodge, b c by Jim Gaffney—Flora Willoughby, and Franklin, ch c by Jim Gaffney—Gliding By, J. S. Ward.
*Imported.

The stakes for the spring meeting of the Kentucky Association were patronized to an extent that is highly gratifying to Secretary G. D. Wilson and his associates, there being seventy nominations to the Brewers' Selling Stakes, sixty-three to the Hinata Stakes, forty-five to the Idle Hour Stakes, thirty-four to the Camden Handicap and twenty-nine to the Ashland Oaks. A goodly number of two-year-olds are also eligible to the Breeders' Futurity to be contested at the same meeting.

California bred two-year-olds have held their own very well so far this year in the winter meetings, six races having fallen to their lot up to the first of the present month. Napa Stock Farm stallions are the successful sires, Burbank, Lantana and Lobelia being credited to Dr. Leggo and Savilla to Solitaire II, Burbank and Lobelia having been double winners.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

HONOLULU TO DEVELOP BIG GAME FISHING.

Honolulu has ambitions to be a fishing center. The idea is to attract visitors and develop the sport in the way of furnishing accommodations and the like. A Honolulu paper carried the following article on the subject recently:

While it transpires that the recent catch of tuna off Maui by Harold L. Morris of Denver, J. W. Jump of Los Angeles and F. K. Burnham of Martinez, California, does not constitute a world's record, it undoubtedly constitutes a local record. The world's record is believed to be held by Mr. Jump, who is said to have taken twenty-nine tuna in one day at Catalina.

Twelve big fish were taken on the recent cruise, including nine tuna, the largest of which scaled 92 pounds. Only one ono was brought to boat and no swordfish were encountered. The miscellaneous bag included barracuda, dolphin, kawakawa, ahaaha, aawa and uku. Sharks bothered the fishermen considerably and on at least two occasions their lines were cut by contact with their fins. A week ago more than 500 pounds of fish were caught, including five tuna. The party were the guests of Harold L. Mor, ris, and the trip was made in his commodious and well-found fishing sampan, the Dixie Maru.

A well known big game fisherman, at present staying in Honolulu, speaking of the possibilities of sport in local waters, said:

"The big fish are undoubtedly here and in large quantities. I hear that fishing for tuna and other game fish may be prosecuted here practically all the year round. At Catalina there is practically no fishing from November 1 to April 1. During the season from seventy-five to 100 boats a day are out at Catalina all summer, and during the winter months eight or ten boats are out every day.

"You have a tuna club here which sends out some very pretty literature but you will have to provide boats, fishermen and other things before you can expect a visitor to return here for another spell of fishing.

"At present a few gentlemen in the Islands take care of visitors who may be fortunate enough to get in touch with them, and they certainly treat their guests in princely style. If, however, a visiting fisher-man has no friends here and expects to get his sport by paying for it in the ordinary way, he is apt to return to the States a very disappointed man. The game fish that I have met with here appear to be every bit as hard fighters as they are in California waters.

"The ulua I consider a No. 1 game fish, and as hard a fighter, if not more so, than the tuna. Foot for foot and pound for pound I don't believe that a more sporting fish swims in any waters than the ulua."

TARPON ANIMATED MERCURY IN ACTION.

The mighty tarpon, king of the sea fishes, now comes in from Gitchu Gunmae, the Big Sea Water, to do battle with those who find joy in the scream of a reel which the thumbs cannot stop, the wild bend and sway of a good rod and the hot line soaring out in smoking runs.

Of all sea fish, the tarpon is generally conceded and acclaimed king royal. The great tuna is a wonderful fighter, an ocean bulldog, but his fight has not the beauty of action and lacks the sensational features of the tarpon's battle. Usually one cannot expect tarpon in Florida until March. April is fair, but May and June are the best months. Yet the unpleasant weather north makes February an especially desirable month to spend in Florida.

Naples on the Gulf is one of the most attractive places to be found. The winter here is like June in New York. The nights are cool and the days a joy and rest. Small fish abound at weights of one to several pounds: Jack, snook, the wonderful jumping lady fish, mangrove snappers, etc., surly, bull-like, old jewfish, up to 100 pounds (and sometimes far heavier) hug the shores in many places if one wants a tussle—a regular wrestle, with one at close quarters. But to the sportsman, the tarpon is the great objective.

Lincoln's Birthday dawned here clear and perfect as a sunny day can be. A light breeze, clear air and the great expanse of green gulf stretching to the horizon. And not often does one also find so efficient, quiet and satisfactory a guide as Roscoe Walker. Keen indeed is his desire to get a tarpon any time, but especially so to have the honor of bringing in the first silver king of the season.

He had noted a few feeding and breaking in the so-called rivers or inlets; had heard of a few hooked that broke away. So on this day, we started off in a small motor boat to match our skill and wits against the worthy antagonist we seek.

First we stop where we know mullet nets are being hauled and select a few unusually fine live mullets for a tempting lure. Now we work down to a bay noted as a tarpon habitat. We cast far out from the boat. Soon the line moves, and at the strike we have only a mackerel shark, but he gives us a good fight and ere long is dispatched.

Long we wait, our bait bothered anon by the top gallant cats, and then we catch a 21-pound snook, which breaks water and makes fine fun. Ah, that line now moves fast! Yes, tarpon! tarpon! "Careful; watch him!" shouts the guide, amid a medley of advice and objurgations from my friend, as nearly six feet of animated mercury flies through the air at the first touch of restraint, shaking its head in a fury to cast out the clinging bit of steel, so small and yet so tenaciously sticking like a burr to a bony jaw. Do we dream, or is that before our eyes the mythical Pegasus steed, incarnate, flying by on silver wings?

Now a great rush of nearly half a hundred yards, the line humming like a wire as it cuts the water, and then a trembling somersault in midair, up, up, and clean over, with a falling splash and smash of the tail that sends the green water into smithereens of white spray. Within ten minutes this powerful fish has thrown himself clear of the water in wild abandon five separate times. Now he tries runs and surges in all directions, and every trick his wily instinct or experience has taught him.

If there be any sight grander to a sportsman's eyes than a great tarpon in midair, burnished, iridescent, purple back and glistening silver sides like molten metal in the sun's rays, arching and shaking in his hurtling leaps, I have yet to see it, and he whose blood will not surge and pulse in unison, lacks the true "red."

But now our prize begins to tire. Again and yet again he makes noble efforts and violent struggles, and though we also tire ourselves, we begin to see victory in sight and less doubtful as the minutes fly. (But you can never safely feel sure of a tarpon till in the boat. Not always then. Last year one threw our guide in the water.) Twice we miss him as he nears the boat and makes his final fight. Ah! At last we have him! The first tarpon of 1916 (in this section of the country, at least).

Mounted at his best, simulating one of his great leaps, the body curved, tail and fins spread wide, the head with that undaunted, untamed fighting look we love, thus we picture him among our other trophies from the great outdoors, whereby we hope to while away pleasant hours in future memories of the past as age creeps and gains upon us. Yet here at Naples, even men of three-score and more, can find ease and comfort on land, and waters abounding in game fish. Would that I were able to spend more time here. As it is, Brothers of the Rod, I have tried to give you a glimpse in this poor way of the pleasure I wish you could all share. But yet a few days now and I will be in the cold North once more, working out man's burden as most of us must, and wish. It gives us the greater zest to enjoy true sport when it comes.

NATURE FACTOR.

Naples on the Gulf, Fla.

SPORT FOR SPORT'S SAKE.

Henry Stelling is getting very ambitious to show his prowess with the gun. He has publicly challenged Ed Hoag to a match of 100 "white flyers." Mr. Hoag has not taken kindly to the methods pursued by Mr. Stelling in trying to force a match, and you cannot blame him. Mr. Hoag is engaged in a large real estate business in San Francisco and such challenges through the daily papers with talk of side bets and the like may have the effect of injuring his standing as a business man. Mr. Hoag is not a professional shooter. He is in the game because he is a true sport who likes the recreation of getting out to the traps to mingle with his friends. Certainly Mr. Stelling should not create such a commotion for a match shoot as Mr. Hoag is rated as an A-No. 1 shot, but he shoots only for pleasure. It is possible that Mr. Stelling did not take these things into consideration in his enthusiasm for the match. One of the commendable things about the shooting game is the friendships that are formed and it will be well to try and preserve that feeling.

WAR ON ENGLISH SPARROWS.

Trouble is ahead for the few colonies of venturesome English sparrows which have taken up their residence in certain portions of Southern California. Bird-sharps from the University of California have been getting a line upon these colonies and have communicated to Commissioner Connell the location of certain of them. The order has gone forth to Deputy Pritchard to grease up the trusty 16-gauge and "go to 'em" with No. 10 shot. Pritchard is reputed to be "some shot" on these "birds."

Bird-lovers and students everywhere are dead against the sparrow, as it drives away song and insectivorous birds, does no good itself, and is a nuisance about houses where it nests, bringing vermin and filth. It was a serious mistake ever to import it into this country, and it, with the German carp, carry Gypsy moth, etc., forming the reason for some of the drastic laws recommended by the Fish and Game Commission to regulate the trying of such dangerous experiments with the public welfare by providing for rigid inspections, and prohibition altogether of known evil species.

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By way of still further shutting down upon the efforts of crooked crawfishermen to "run in" California-caught lobsters under the provision permitting Mexican lobsters to be imported through the San Diego customs house under fish and game commission inspection and marketing, during the season when no lobster may be taken in local waters, Inspector Norton has been authorized to pass no lobsters of illegal size. Those which do come in must conform to the California law. They are designated with a punch mark in the tail, affixed by the inspector.

BASS PROTEST FROM THE SOUTH.

Bass are artificially propagated in California, having been planted throughout the State by the Fish and Commission. The first spawn was imported and hatched to plantable size in the great mother hatchery at Cisson, in Shasta county. Bass have come to be the chief pond fish of the State. They are wonderfully plentiful in parts of the San Joaquin valley and attain enormous size, but need nursing in the south of a far different type than letting down the bars in March and April.

Fish and Game Commissioner Connell has written a letter to Mr. Mulholland, protesting in the name of fish and game propagation and protection against allowing the public to attack the future supply in Silver Lake, explaining that the misfit in the law was an unfortunate accident which the commission was unable to control. The commissioner considers it bad business from a future point of view, although, being a bass-fisherman of long experience, he "called the turn" on developments by stating that in all probability those who fished would have their trouble for their pains, for such time as the present weather conditions continued at the least.—Los Angeles Express.

MORE DOGS IMPORTED.

Champion Marck of Keswick and Paul of of Keswick, two famous St. Bernard dogs, were recently imported from England by Col. Jacob Ruppert, of New York. The dogs were purchased from Tailer Messenger, one of England's most successful breeders of the Saintly breed.

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Marck of Keswick, a dog of enormous size, has been pronounced by many English judges to be the best smooth dog of his breed ever bred. He won his championship when only fifteen months old. He is a noted sire. Among his offspring is the noted smooth coated dog King of Northumbria, a greatly admired dog in England.

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The annual meeting of the Ladies' Kennel Association was held at Royal Agricultural Hall, Islington, Lady Evelyn Ewart presiding, recently. The chief business was whether or not an open show would be held in the summer. Mr. Faudel-Phillips advised the formation of a guarantee fund, for which at least $1,000 would be required. Correspondence between the secretary and Sir George Hastings in regard to holding the show in the grounds of the Ranelagh Club was read, and in the end it was decided to hold the show, provided the guarantee fund could be arranged.

Queen Alexandria was re-elected patron, the Duchess of Connaught president and Miss Desborough secretary, while Mr. Lionel Faudel-Phillips consented to act as honorary treasurer.

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Mrs. Kate Carlin, the well known international judge and owner of the Eastney kennels of London, arrived on board the steamship California last week, with eight Pomeranians. The pick of the lot is Eastney Wee Freddie, which weighs three and a half pounds, winner of four firsts at the last Cruft's show. He is a brilliant orange sable. Mrs. Carlin also brought over Tango, the smallest chocolate Pom bitch living—weight only one pound and three-quarters. A very high class pair of Yorkshires also came along. Both are bitches and one has been sold to Mrs. Thorpe and the other to Dr. Cappell, of New Jersey. Mrs. Carlin reports that though many leading fanciers are in the trenches there is still a great interest in dogs in England, and that the Cruft's show was a remarkable one, not only in numbers of dogs shown, but in attendance. The summer shows that were practically abandoned last year have all claimed dates, and fanciers look for a busy season.

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A big entry is expected for the Golden Gate show. Jack Bradshaw will show his famous bulldog Country Model; Mayor James Rolph will show several of his famous cocker spaniels, including his famous champion Mission Chief; Fred B. McCay will show his imported pack of English Beagle hounds; Miss Thelka Eickhoff will exhibit Oakcourt Tatters, a crack Scottish terrier; A. J. Molera, the well known Monterey dog fancier, will send a string of crack Irish, Airedale and Scottish terriers to the show in charge of Dan Shuttleworth; H. M. Robertson of Pasadena will personally bring a large string of blue-blooded dogs of many breeds,

Sportsmen's Row

The State Game and Fish Commission of Oregon now has sixty guns of all sizes, values and degrees of usefulness which have been confiscated from game law violators in that state within the last few years. Some of them, no doubt, will be redeemed by those from whom they were taken, but the majority of them may be sold if the commissioners decide that that is the best use to make of them.

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At the annual meeting of the Washington Field Trial Club, held on February 22, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, F. D. Dean; vice-president, M. A. Howe; secretary-treasurer, F. E. King. Trustees, J. A. Balmer, Cle Elum; W. W. Kurtz, Hoquiam; G. H. Macdougall, Spokane, and F. W. Siddall, Tacoma. It was decided to hold the next field trials in the first half of September, the exact date to be announced soon. The board of trustees say that the next meet will be a hummer. The slogan of the club will be "the sport is the first consideration." Watch for the date. Don't miss it.

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Plans for the immediate moving of the Los Angeles Gun Club's traps and other belongings were arranged for at the annual meeting of the organization two weeks ago. The club is at present located in Venice, near the old Vernon ball park, and the new club site will be up on a beautiful plat of land adjoining Eastlake Park. Here, in about two weeks, announces Secretary Fred H. Teeple, the club will hold its first practice shoot of the season, and by the first of April everything will be in readiness for the grand opening. A program, to consist of several trophy and championship shoots, together with one or two registered tournaments, will be arranged within the next two weeks. At last week's meeting new directors were elected, including Steve Fullerton, a young shooter of prominence.—Will A. Wright, Los Angeles, Cal.

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Uncle Joe Hineman of Wausau, Wis., a man who is 91 years old, recently celebrated his ninety-first birthday by breaking 100 targets straight, and he did it without the aid of glasses. He uses glasses when reading or writing, but not when shooting.

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The Midwick County Club members have taken a fond liking to shooting, the sport being nearly as popular as golf. A rifle contest for club cups will be staged on next Saturday and the first trap-shooting tournament will be held on March 25th. Cups were presented by Mr. Center to Mrs. S. C. Pierce and E. D. Peterson, who won cups in rifle shoots during February. Cups were also presented to Mrs. J. V. Eliot and E. S. Armstrong by Mr. Peterson for rifle contest wins.

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Fish and Game Commissioner Connell plans to send in the stripping experts to Bear Valley as soon as possible to begin taking eggs there, and is preparing to operate the hatchery there as soon as accessible. High water is certain to complicate the egg-taking operations and interfere greatly with getting around the shores of the lake, but the men will be instructed to do the best they can and make a new record for Bear Valley egg-taking, if that be possible. They have not much to beat, as last year only about 340,000 eggs were gathered there.

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One of California's most famous ball players, Cactus Cravath of the Phillies, is still another diamond celebrity who has taken to the sport alluring. During the winter sports he has put in his time at the traps and in the field in Southern California.

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N. J. Glover has removed from St. Josephs, Mo., to Los Angeles, Cal., and will do his trapshooting in that city from now on.

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Annie Oakley (Mrs. Frank E. Butler) recently gave an exhibition of target shooting before a distinguished gathering at Pinehurst, N. C. In the audience were Governor and Mrs. Brumbaugh, of Pennsylvania.

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O. N. Ford very appropriately celebrated the 39th anniversary of his birthday last Sunday at Salinas by breaking 99 out of 100 targets. Bobby is certainly starting the season auspiciously and he is booming the California-Nevada shoot that will be held in San Jose this year.

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There was an odd thing at the Elks' Club shoot on Sunday. The members of the two teams for the grub stakes were picket at random and after the twenty-five on a side had banged away at fifteen birds each it was discovered that the teams were tied. If the teams had been carefully picked to try and equalize the strength it would have been odd even then.

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Instead of putting up merchandise prizes as in the past, the Gate City Gun Club of Atlanta, Ga., will have a ribbon system for the three high men—blue ribbon for first, red ribbon for second and yellow ribbon for third—each to count for so many points. At the end of the season the shooter with the greatest number of points will be awarded a valuable trophy.

Willie Perkins, 8 years old, living at Third and T streets, Sacramento, has caught the largest catfish taken from the Sacramento river in many years. Willie was fishing from a barge anchored below P street. After a struggle the lad landed the fish. It weighed 11 pounds and as soon as the boy had it safely tied to a heavy string he slung it over his shoulder and hurried home. He stopped long enough to weigh the fish, which is said by some authorities to have been large enough to have swallowed Jonah.

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The Utah Kennel Club will hold an all-terrier show in September. James Keefe, owner of the Mountain View Airedale kennels, has been invited by the show committee to judge the affair.

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One of the finest specimens of a Japanese spaniel ever imported to the Pacific Coast from Japan arrived on the China mail steamer China last week. The dog, which is from a kennel of Royalty, was consigned to H. B. Beddeau, of this city. Beddeau will show Chin Chin at the Golden Gate show next month.

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A good catch of mackerel were caught by Al Reed of the Dyas Company off the long wharf at Santa Monica. Reed declares that the runs of smelt, mackerel and pompano were good, but fishing in the surf was very poor.

BURNHAM BACK FROM HONOLULU.

Frank K. Burnham of Martinez returned during the week from a trip to the Hawaiian islands, where he enjoyed some of the best fishing that has fallen to his lot during a long term of rod and reel experience.

Burnham is enthusiastic about the opportunities for angling in the waters of the Pacific islands. The size and the gameness of the fish impressed the local fisherman and he has many tales to tell of long fights with the finny denizens of the waters surrounding the islands.

On a four-day trip in company with James W. Jump of Los Angeles, Garrett P. Wilder, president of the Hawaiian Tuna Club, and H. Gooding Fielding, secretary of the club, Burnham had a big four days fishing off the coast. Although the trip was made in January—usually an off season in other parts of the world—the four fishermen landed this grand basket:

Two yellow-fin tuna, 70 and 62 pounds.

One long-finned tuna, 18 pounds.

Three dolphin—length 4 feet, weight 16 pounds; length 4 feet 6 inches, weight 20 pounds; and length 4 feet 3 inches, weight 17 pounds.

Seven ono—one 6 feet long and weighing 61 pounds; two 5 feet long and weighing 42 pounds each; two 5 feet long and weighing 41 and 40 pounds; one 4 feet 6 inches, weighing 38 pounds; and one 4 feet long and weighing 36 pounds.

Seven ulua—a game fish resembling a giant pompano. The total weight of the ulua catch was 140 pounds.

One kaku, length 4 feet.

And a number of smaller fish, including the oceanic bonito.

In one week's fishing in February Burnham, Jump and J. A. Morris of Denver made a catch of over seven hundred pounds of game fish. Included in the spoil were nine yellow-fin tuna, three long-fin tuna, two dolphins and a number of barracuda. The largest of the yellow-fin tuna weighed 92 pounds and the smallest 47 pounds.

A "BIRD" OF A FILM.

If anyone thinks for a moment that the wild game life of California is a thing of the past, or nearly so, let him drop in for twenty minutes' rest and entertainment in the lecture hall of the California Development Board, third floor, Ferry Building, San Francisco. A moving picture film, shown here free of charge every day at 2:30 p. m., Sundays, Wednesdays and holidays excepted, will convince the doubtful ones that California still has enough fat, plump, toothsome geese and ducks for many, many square meals.

This very interesting film is something entirely new, and different from the usual pictures thrown on the screen at the "movies."

It was obtained at a cost of thousands of dollars, with the assistance of some of California's most enthusiastic sportsmen, who appear in it at times. Taken during the winter of 1914 on the marsh or tule lands near the Buttes in Sutter county, the scenes are wild and picturesque. Thousands, yes, millions of wild geese and ducks are seen flying, lighting and resting upon the great smooth body of fresh water. A most striking feature of the film is the hunter in action. The sportsmen, hidden in their blinds, can be seen picking off the birds as the flocks come within range of the "shooting irons." The birds are seen to scatter and the victims of the sportsmen's true aim drop with a splash into the water below.

A well known sportsman, who saw the picture, remarked that there seemed to be enough wild geese and ducks in sight during the 200 feet of film to supply every home in California with a good wild dinner, with plenty left over for all the cats and dogs.

For those who love outdoor sports this film will be a rare joy. It is not unlikely that a similar picture was never obtained by the "movie" camera, and possibly will never be obtained again.

The picture will be shown absolutely free of charge for several weeks.

ARMIES USE CARRIER PIGEONS.

It is not generally known that all the armies and navies of the world can fall fack on official pigeons, if necessary, and that the birds belonging to the British navy have their official standing and numbers just as the handymen have.

During the Boer war the British army had its carrier pigeon system. The birds brought messages from all the towns beleaguered by the Boer invaders, and when Sir George White's force was cooped up in Ladysmith winged messengers carried several despatches from that gallant officer to the men who were slowly fighting their way to his relief.

The first war in which pigeons were used as messengers was the Franco-Prussian, and the birds carried news into and out of besieged Paris. A post was established at Tours, and right through the siege regular mails were carried between Paris and Tours by pigeons.

SCORES ON SHELL MOUND RANGE.

Norddeutscher Schuetzen Club, monthly medal shoot—George W. Dieckmann, 224, 223, 221.

Germania Schuetzen Club, yearly medal shoot—Expert class, Otto A. Bremer 218, 221; C. M. Henderson 219, 217; George A. Pattberg 215, 225. Champion class, E. Hoffmann 194; John de Wit 198, 188. First class, S. Heino 185, 177.

Company A., Irish Volunteers, monthly medal shoot—Lieutenant M. Gaul 43, Captain J. F. Waters 41, F. Dugan 40, Corporal P. J. Kelly 38, Corporal F. D. Cronin 33, Corporal T. Moynihan 26, W. Gaul 23, H. O'Connor 21, D. O'Connor 20, D. Cotter 20.

Independent Rifles, monthly medal shoot—Major B. Hilken 56, F. Schohay 52, A. Williams 39, Sergeant J. Eichner 35, Sergeant L. J. Mayer 28, W. O. Biermann, 33.

Swiss Rifle Club, monthly medal shoot—A. Schwarz 222, 221; John Frei 222, 219; F. Meuhlbach 220, 215; Charles Ott 212, 198; L. Hauser 212, 193; H. Perrin 210, 209; John S. Leutenegger 204, 203; U. Imdorf 200, J. A. Sutter 196, 193; J. R. Statder 196, 190; John Baumann 195, 176; A. E. Hintermann Jr. 195, H. Tschopp 183.

Swiss Rifle Club, monthly bullseye shoot—John Baumann 270, E. Ott 317, F. Sutter 362, J. R. Statder 405, A. Hintermann 565, L. Hauser 800, A. Schwarz 813, John Frei 885, H. Perrin 1064, J. A. Sutter 1080, A. von Wyl 1280, H. Tschopp 1400, J. S. Leutenegger 1515, U. Imdorf 1710, F. Muehlbach 1770.

Golden Gate Rifle and Pistol Club, monthly medal shoot—C. M. Henderson 235, 231; George A. Pattberg 232, B. P. Jonas 217, 226, 219, 219, 226, 219; F. Sutter 181, F. M. Nett 172, E. Bernhardt 156, 163, 175, 163, 167, 165; G. H. Meyer 170, 188; F. Hildebrandt 157, 170, 197; J. F. Bridges 210, 189; O. A. Bremer 223.

Pistol scores—O. L. Lilenjo 91, 86, Dr. R. A. Summers 86, 82, C. T. Sisson 88, 87, George Armstrong 97, 92, 92, 96, J. J. Currier 92, 91, W. C. Prichard 93, 91, 91, T. Laine 89, 88, 84.

CATAMOUNT KING IS 70 YEARS OLD.

Chambersburg (Pa.)—William Wright, nearly seventy years old, is the catamount king of the East, and is ready to defend against anyone denying this assertion. "Wildcat Bill," as he is commonly known, is from Horse Valley, Franklin county, and claims the distinction of killing the last wolf in the east Atlantic States. Wright killed this wolf about six years ago and still has the tanned fur of the beast among his many trophies of the forests.

Wright raises various kinds of live stock and poultry on his farm. He also hunts, fishes and traps. He derives a neat income from his sale of pelts of the muskrat, skunk, wildcat, fox, squirrel, deer and sometimes bear. He is a dead shot and uses a rifle which does not mar the skin.

"Wildcat Bill" is fearless, and thinks no more of killing a catamount than he does of bagging a rabbit in his grass field. He is as hardy as pine knots growing on the trees of the forests through which he roams.

NEW IDEA FOR HUNTING BADGES.

A bill has been introduced in the New York State Legislature, which, if passed, will require every hunter to wear a hunter's badge or button and to carry his hunting license in his pocket whenever he is afield after game. Failure to comply with the law will cause a sportsman to forfeit his license. So much for the hunter. If he takes a dog with him, the latter also must wear a metal tag in lieu of a button, bearing the number of his master's license, and this must be securely fastened to his (or her) collar. The bill also grants permission to hunters to hunt with dogs in the forest preserve.

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W. C. Beck, a deputy state fish and game warden of Wichita, Kan., says that the ducks that were found dead in the Cheyenne bottoms recently were the victims of frozen feet. He heard from the bottoms not long ago that during a sleet and snow storm ice formed on the ducks so thickly that they could not fly. Many of them suffered from frozen feet. Unable to fly away to get feed, they grew thin and, he believes, died of starvation. Is Mr. Beck right in his solution of the question as to what caused the death of so many wild ducks in Kansas?

High Scores At Many Coast Traps

SAN JOSE IS BOOSTING FOR BANNER STATE SHOOT

San Jose, Cal.—Interest has been aroused in the California-Nevada Interstate Shoot that has been awarded to the San Jose Blue Rock Club. The dates have been set for May 28, 29, 30 and 31, with a practice shoot for the 28th. O. N. Ford is out to get everything in ship-shape for holding a banner tournament.

The local booster confidently expects to secure the entry of 150 shooters from all sections of California and Nevada for the events. Trap-shooting enthusiasts from nearby points are invited to practice at the San Jose grounds so as to get their hands in.

The San Jose squad will shoot a friendly six-man team race with the Golden Gate club on the latter's grounds on March 19th. The following Sunday, March 26th, the club will stage its monthly shoot.

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Elks' Club Shoot.—Billy Price—you all know the popular Golden Gate booster—distinguished himself last Sunday in finishing high amateur at the initial shoot of the newly organized Alameda Elks' Club. Billy went great in the club event of 25 birds, busting 24, and he concluded by breaking 12 out of 15 in the grub event, giving him a score of 34 out of 40. Barney Worthen and H. Meineke tied for the next honors with 35x40.

In the competition among the professionals R. C. Reed did some sensational shooting in missing only one of the forty targets he aimed at. Dick has been away for several months and he returned with the same old eye. L. D. Hawxhurst cracked 38 out of 40, which was some consistency in itself. This little story would not be complete without calling attention to the fact that Clarence A. Haight was next with 37x40. The "Father of Trap-shooting on the Coast" has been at the traps for years and he steps right along with the speediest. At that, you would hardly suspect him of having been a prominent trap enthusiast away back in the eighties.

The Elks are to be complimented on the banner turn-out. There were many newcomers who were having their first experience with the tarhawks and each and every one seemed to enjoy the sport alluring. The results were:

Shooter—	Club.	Grub.	Bke.	Targ.
Fred Hueger	8	8	16	40
T. Haskins	12	4	16	40
A. Murdock	12	6	16	40
A. E. Stonebarger*	22	11	33	40
Gorge Thomas	21	..	21	25
Al Cook*	22	14	36	40
J. G. Heath*	15	-	27	40
C. C. Bradley	12	6	18	40
F. J. Renner	11	6	17	40
G. J. Brooks	17	9	26	40
H. C. Peet	18	13	32	40
C. D. Carman	13	6	19	40
P. F. Noonan	14	7	21	40
J. Sunkel	15	9	24	40
M. S. Goodman	12	5	17	40
H. D. Alexander	17	6	23	40
F. Blum	18	14	32	40
R. W. Lewis	16	..	16	25
W. N. Dirks	13	..	13	25
P. Swenson*	21	12	33	40
W. F. Willett*	22	13	35	40
B. Worthen	21	14	35	40
A. W. DuBray*	19	14	33	40
C. A. Haight*	23	14	37	40
R. C. Reed*	25	14	39	40
J. Rossi	19	11	30	40
C. Batsford	9	12	21	40
W. W. Terrill*	19	14	33	40
E. B. Thorning	22	12	34	40
R. J. Boyd	19	12	31	40
O. Kiefer	15	8	24	40
E. H. Ward	13	13	26	40
H. Meineke	21	14	35	40
A. Williams	14	9	23	40
I. Luideman	10	7	17	40
F. J. Crowe	20	12	32	40
J. Walker	15	7	22	40
R. B. Valleau	16	10	26	40
H. P. Jacobsen	22	12	32	40
D. Craig	14	10	24	40
Lou Schroder	15	8	23	40
W. Koeh	13	7	20	40
W. H. Price	24	12	36	40
L. D. Hawxhurst*	23	15	38	40
F. D. Adams*	18	13	31	40
D. Eaton*	9	8	17	40
N. W. Minans	8	5	13	50
J. W. F. Moore*	13	5	18	40
Bill Ellis*	16	11	27	40
McIntosh	6	10	16	40
W. J. Terry	23	..	23	40
G. R. Rudolph	14	..	14	40
George Hickman	15	..	15	40

*Professionals.

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Vernon Club Shoot.—Once more the Billy Wilshire unique trophy went into the hands of a shooter other than a local when it was contested for at the Vernon Gun Club grounds Sunday for the nineteenth time and a first leg taken by F. A. Richter, of Minneapolis, who hung up the good score of 49x50.

Immediately following the Wilshire contest the Vernonites lined up for the bronze cup shoot. This was also captured by Richter with a score of 47x50. The easterner was certainly knocking the clay out of the targets. Very few of them got away from him.

There were also several other blackbird squelchers from the east at the Vernon Club shoot, among them being Dr. Houston of Montana, McQuaid, Famechon and Kunz, all from Minneapolis.

Fatty George Tuckett of New York, who has been shooting at Vernon for several months, announced at the shoot that he would leave for New York this week. The boys will sure miss the jolly laugh of Tuckett's, who is one good fellow. Tuckett is a member of the New York Athletic Club.

T. P. Smith, who recently won his first leg on Billy Wilshire's diamond-studded ink magazine, was close on the heels of Richter in the trophy event, breaking 48 out of 50. He also tied for second place in the bronze cup shoot with Dr. L. M. Packard, each with 46 dead birds to his credit.

The shooters were favored with a regular day once more, and a large crowd—forty-six—shot in all three events. An even 4800 targets were thrown.

The scores:

Wilshire Trophy Event—

Shooter—	Hdcp.	Bke.	Targ.
George Tuckett	17	43	50
Van Nest	16	37	50
Vories	18	39	50
Manderville	16	38	50
Dougherty	17	47	50
Famechon	18	43	50
Kunz	18	44	50
Dierdoff	17	40	50
Council	16	43	50
Bob Bole	16	38	50
Cornelius	17	38	50
McQuaid	16	36	50
Dodds	20	43	50
S. A. Bruner	20	45	50
Davis	16	45	50
Blanchard	19	44	50
White	18	45	50
T. P. Smith	17	48	50
Walter Clement	16	42	50
Bill Pugh	18	36	50
F. A. Richter	19	49	50
O. Evans	18	43	50
Bill Wilshire	17	46	50
Brown	16	35	50
George Oliver	16	39	50
Dehote	16	42	50
Houston	16	40	50
Groat	16	39	50
Mrs. Groat	16	39	50
Hanks	16	32	50
Tucker	16	31	50
Palmer	16	32	50
Pool	16	24	50
Dr. Packard	20	40	50
Foor	16	38	50

Bronze Loving Cup Shoot—

Shooter—	Hdcp.	Bke.	Targ.
Tuckett	16	38	50
Vories	16	43	50
Manderville	16	43	50
Dougherty	17	43	50
Famechon	17	38	50
Kunz	17	43	50
Dierdoff	16	43	50
Council	16	43	50
McQuaid	16	38	50
Dodds	19	45	50
Blanchard	17	45	50
White	18	42	50
T. P. Smith	17	46	50
Bill Pugh	17	43	50
F. A. Richter	19	47	50
Evans	18	40	50
Hedderly	16	39	50
Groat	16	40	50
Meek	16	42	50
Packard	19	46	50
Foor	16	40	50

Open Event at 16 yards—

Houston, shot at 50, broke 39; Groat 25—20; Mrs. Groat 50—42, Meek 25—20, Fullerton 50—31, Banks 25—22, Dennis 50—32, Tucker 25—16, Palmer 25—18, Fellows 25—15, Carter 25—19, Pool 25—19, Benton 25—10, Knauf 25—22, Fambes 25—17, A. J. Wilkes 25—19, Melford 50—40, Tuckett 50—37, Van Nest 25—20, Vories 25—25, Manderville 50—34, Dougherty 25-22, Famechon 75—65, Kunz 50—45, Dierdoff 25—22, Council 50—40, Bob Bole 50—40, Cornelius 50—43, McQuaid 50—37, Dodds 50—41, Stan Bruner 50—43, Davis 50—25, Blanchard 50—48, White 50—41, T. P. Smith 25—25, Clement 50—40, Bill Pugh 25—25, T. A. Richter 50—47, Evans 25—25, Wilshire 25—19, Ed Hedderly 50—38, Brown 50—38, Oliver 25—18, Dehate 25—18.

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Salinas Club Shoot.—The opening shoot of the Salinas Rodeo Gun Club, held Sunday at Sherwood Park, was a big success, a large number of participants enjoying the shoot, both from Salinas and the outside towns. O. N. Ford, the San Jose crack shot, made 99 out of a possible 100, while other correspondingly good scores were made. The day was ideal and the barbecue served at noon with Zabala brothers' salsa made a big hit, especially with the visitors. Of the latter, San Francisco, San Jose, Hollister, the Monterey Peninsula, Watsonville and Santa Cruz were well represented.

A meeting will be held some time this week to fix the date for the next shoot. Sunday's scores follow:

F. Marbach, shot at 135, broke 100; Pete Breschini 85—73, Otto Feudner 75—65, A. Eleshio 150—104, Harry Eleshio 75—64, Ashley Walker 85—72, C. Floyd 50—29, H. Gross 60—39, O. N. Ford 100—99, A. Barker 100—96, Philip 75—46, Baumgartner 100—96, Huntsman 100—90, H. Rickelson 125—109, Fred Chappell 175—145, Schulz 100—85, Sherman 75—64, Black 100—68, Dr. Garth Parker 50—38, Roland Vierra 75—64, V. Massera 50—45, Dr. H. C. Murphy 50—38, Frank Pura 75—61, A. Horton 75—58, D. McFadden 100—88, Frank Casey 50—27, Chas. McFadden 100—74, Jarver 25—23, E. Horigan 100—64, R. Cashin 50—27, Brewington 50—27, Snow 25—15, Griffin 25—11, Bramers 25—12, A. G. Winckler 50—33, Fred Tholcke 50—36, Ed Smith 25—12, John Murphy 25—17, D. S Flinn 25—5.

Golden Gate Club.—The Golden Gate Club will stage its first monthly shoot of the season on its Alameda grounds today. It is expected that there will be a crowd of fully sixty on hand. The officers of the club—Thomas Wilkes, president; Frank Webster, vice-president; Clarence A. Haight, secretary, and T. R. Riley, treasurer—have everything in readiness to entertain visitors. The regular program will be carried through, which includes twenty targets for championship, first, second and third classes; a ten-bird grub race and a twenty-bird challenge trophy event.

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Portland Club.—Portland took all the honors in the telegraphic trapshoots held on March 12th between the Portland Gun Club and the Spokane (Wash.) club. The Portland women broke 59 out of 75 birds at the Everding Park traps near Jenne Station and their opponents 40.

A much closer race was experienced between the men of the two organizations. But one "dead" bird separated Portland from Spokane, the locals breaking 110 out of a possible 125. Thirty-four shooters were at the Portland Gun Club grounds.

High amateur of the events went to James W. Seavey, with 92 per cent. Seven scatter-gun artists scored one point on the Imperial Hotel diamond medal. They are: Abner Blair, Al Seguin, Miss Gladys Reid, Mrs. C. J. Schilling, A. W. Strowger, president of the Portland Gun Club; E. H. Keller and H. R. Everding.

James K. ("Our Jim") Simpson, president of the Stevenson (Wash.) Rod and Gun Club, was a Portland visitor, the guest of A. W. Strowger, president of the Portland Club, and H. R. Everding, ex-president. Mr. Simpson made 86 per cent, the highest he has ever recorded. He has not been at the traps since last year, but he expects to enter all the tournaments this season.

The scores for the women's telegraphic shoot are: Portland, Mrs. C. J. Schilling 23, Miss Gladys Reid 19, Mrs. E. H. Keller 17; total 59. Spokane—Mrs. C. A. O'Connor 18, Mrs. Fred Dryden 13, Miss Bessie LaMar 9; total 49.

Men's Shoot—Portland: Al Seguin 23, James W. Seavey 23, H. R. Everding 22, Archie Parrott 22, F. Duncan 20; total, 110 out of 125. Spokane—March 23, Chingren 22, McElroy 22, Tiffany 21, Williams 21; total, 109.

Following are the scores of the regular events: Abner Blair 84, J. C. Morris 64, Al Seguin 90, J. S. Crane 52, E. B. Van Arman* 88, W. C. Bristol, with 20-gauge gun, 50; J. P. Bull* 92, H. A. Pollock 72, James Reid* 88, Miss Gladys Reid 76, A. W. Strowger 74, J. K. Simpson, president Stevenson (Wash.) Gun Club, 86; A. L. Zacherson 66, E. H. Keller 80, E. F. Platt 86, J. D. Platt 38, H. W. Robare 48, P. J. Holohan* 88, John G. Clemson 48, C. B. Caldwell 70, C. M. J. Schilling* 92, Archie Parrott 88, James W. Seavey 92, J. T. Brooks 54, Dr. O. D. Thornton 80, Mrs. C. J. Schilling 86, Ben Trenkman, with 20-gauge gun, 48; B. E. Leonard 44, Mrs. E. H. Keller 68, F. Duncan 88, H. R. Everding 88, W. J. Houser 80, W. B. Honeyman 80, and L. Beeson 70.

*Professionals.

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Trade Notes.—C. T. Rankin, the Kansas City, Mo., amateur recently had the distinction of winning eight successive shoots held at different towns throughout the state of Kansas. Shooting Nitro Club shells at 500 targets during these meets he succeeded in smashing 448.

Frank Sanders, of the Des Moines (Ia.) Gun Club, shooting Nitro Club shells, recently broke 90 of his quota of 100 clay birds.

At a practice shoot held recently by the Salt Lake (Utah) Gun Club, J. Tingey, shooting the perfect combination of Remington pump gun and Nitro Club shells, broke 83 out of a possible 100.

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Some of the Denver's (Colo.) professional men held an enthusiastic and well-attended meeting recently at the Savoy Hotel in that city, and organized the Denver Trap Club, electing officers as follows for the current year: President, C. M. McCutcheon; vice-president, T. H. Smith; secretary-treasurer, Dwight Osborne; field captains, Capt. A. H. Hardy and Maj. P. J. Hamrock. The club hopes to have a membership of over one hundred before the first day of July.

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The Vernon Gun Club management announces that dates have been received from the Interstate Association awarding the club a registered tournament, to be held at the Vernon traps on May 8 and 9.

The club will put on an extra day of the tourney on the 7th of May, which comes on Sunday. The affair will be 200 birds the first day, 300 the second and 100 the third. The club also declares that they will have enough money up to get 100 shooters on the grounds each day of the shoot.

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Competing with more than twenty men experts with the gun, Mrs. R. R. Barber of Minneapolis, in a recent shoot of the Twin Cities Gun Club in Minneapolis, pulverized 196 of the 200 targets thrown, the best she has ever made. There are several women shots who will bear watching in the next G. A. H.

FLY-CASTERS OPEN APRIL FIFTEENTH.

This year will see a marked difference in the recording of the records of the San Francisco Fly Casting Club. Realizing that the demerit method of keeping the records is far more satisfactory than the percentage form, we will this year so record our scores. In the event of a person wishing to make a comparison between our scores and those of other clubs, all that will be necessary is to reduce our demerits to the percentage basis of computation heretofore in vogue. We hope our method of keeping score, together with pending conclusions on the part of the National Association, will result in all the clubs scoring on the demerit idea, rather than the percentage. Our regular schedule for the season will begin this year on Saturday and Sunday, April 15 and 16, about two weeks later than usual.

F. J. COOPER, Pres.

Tacoma, Wash.—Plans for the opening of the bait and fly casting season with a tournament open to the public in Point Defiance Park April 29 were decided upon at a meeting of the Tacoma Bait and Fly-Casting Club. The project of leasing or purchasing a permanent fishing preserve was again discussed at the meeting, but it was decided to accept none of the sites now offered to the club and to make no decision until further inquiry could be made. The club is planning a preserve that will be provided with various kinds of game fish, but the committee in charge of selecting a site has not yet found a place that suited all requirements.

The tournament to be held next month in Point Defiance Park will be an invitational affair in which the members of the recently organized Seattle Bait and Fly Casting Club will be invited to take part. Tacomans, who are interested in the scientific side of angling, will also be asked to "wet a line" in the tournament, if they are so inclined.

BIRDS AND FISH DISTRIBUTED IN WASHINGTON.

With thousands of game fish planted in the lakes and streams and quail and pheasants liberated in all sections of Washington through the efforts of Ira D. Light, county game warden, sportsmen in Pierce county should find even keener pleasure in the future than in the past. According to an announcement made by Game Warden Light, 200,000 Chinook salman from the Muck creek hatchery have been planted in nearby lakes one recent week.

Of this number, 75,000 were placed in American lake, 75,000 in Steilacoom lake and 50,000 in Spanaway lake. The game commissioners have also ordered 600,000 silver trout fry to be placed in the lakes and streams of the county. These are expected daily and will probably be distributed before the end of this week.

Orders for 500 Chinese pheasants have been placed with dealers by the county game commissioners and these also are expected to arrive in Tacoma in the near future. They will be liberated in various parts of the county. Light has liberated 15 pairs of pheasants in the American lake game preserve.

Because of the large numbers of quail in the game preserve and the scarcity of them outside, quite a quantity of mountain, valley and Bob White quail have been trapped by the game warden during the past few weeks and sent to portions of the county that are not protected. During the past year the quail in the game preserve have multiplied rapidly, but in the other sections of the county they have not been seen in great numbers. Game Warden Light is now preparing his annual report and expects to submit it to the game commissioners this week.

SMALLER SHORE BIRDS SHIPPED TO MARKET BY WAGONLOAD.

The smaller shorebirds, or sandpipers or "peeps," as they are commonly called, which are not large enough to be considered legitimate game birds, number about thirty species, or about half of all the species of the shorebird group in North America.

Along the eastern United States coast are hundreds of miles of shore exactly suited to their needs, and until about 1870 these places swarmed with countless thousands of the dainty creatures, which made a charming and ever-shifting panorama as they moved from one feeding place to another, thus adding an attractive touch of life to the wind-swept beaches.

Then, as the great flocks of ducks and geese shrank under the attacks of the market hunter until they ceased to supply the ever-increasing demand for game, themarket hunters turned to the tiny shorebirds.

These unsuspicious victims, bunching so closely that dozens of the mites could be killed at a single discharge, were shipped to market by the wagonload to furnish a scant mouthful of meat apiece as the only return for the destruction of one of nature's most beautiful creations.

The assaults of the market hunter were supplemented by the incessant attacks of the boy, who, with the modern small-bore high-power gun, views anything alive as a fair target, and of late years he has swarmed in the summer on the beaches from Virginia to Maine.

A peculiarity in the migration of the smaller shorebirds increased opportunities for their destruction. Many remain nearly all summer along the coasts of the United States, with only a few days between the disappearance in June of the last north-bound migrants and the reappearance in early July of the vanguard of the fall migration.

Thus in the case of the greater yellow-legs, the last leave Long Island going north the final week in May and return on their southward journey the middle of July; while in the case of the knot, the breeding area lies north of the Arctic Circle, and the earliest possible spring migrants do not arrive there until about the first of June, yet fall migrants enter the United States early in July at just about the time the first eggs are hatching in the Arctic nests.

It is certain that these very early fall migrants cannot have raised families that season. It is not known whether these birds, which for one reason or another never bred after they reached the northland and started at once on their return journey, or whether they are disappointed pairs whose eggs have been destroyed, and which, instead of attempting a second mating, as is common among birds in temperate climates, began forthwith their southern flight, knowing instinctively that if a second set of eggs should hatch the young birds would surely perish in early autumnal storms.

Be that as it may, shorebirds become numerous on the beaches soon after the first of July, and during August, the month of the greatest outpouring of city dwellers to the seashore, many species reach their full fall numbers, and consequently are subject to the greatest embarrassment as they flee from beach to beach vainly seeking a place of refuge.

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"DEAD," SWEETEST MUSIC TO SOUSA.

John Philip Sousa, the veteran bandmaster, has just been elected president of the newly created Amateur American Trapshooters' Association, the latest organization to be added to the sport world.

Sousa is probably the most enthusiastic trapshooter in the country. The next best thing to trapshooting is talking about it, and in Mr. Sousa the scattergun enthusiast finds a very interesting talker. "Trapshooting," says the bandmaster, "is the baby of the great American sports, but it is a healthy infant. It is estimated that more than 400,000 men (and yes, women) face the traps in the course of a year, and there are said to be more than 4,000 guns clubs.

"It's a poor town that doesn't boast of at least one trapshooting organization.

"Trapshooting appeals to the lover of sports from many angles. I should say that, first, it is fine because it develops self-reliance. A man must call 'pull" and shoot his own gun. Nobody may do these things for him. From experience I say that one exercises when he lifts an eight-pound gun to his shoulder hundreds of times a day. He builds muscle and he's tired—so tired that insomnia doesn't hang around when his head hits the pillow.

"One must do some thinking, and the eyes and arms must move in unison with the brain."

Mr. Sousa was asked his opinion on women taking up the sport. He said: "Women are finding trapshooting even more enjoyable than golf. In the shotgun game woman is not classified as a woman, she is not segregated from the men. She meets men shooters on an equal footing, and there is nothing that pleases her more than to beat her lord and master at his own game. Indeed, women have so far advanced in trapshooting that they will be permitted to enter the Grand American Handicap this year.

"Shooting makes a woman agile and alert. I have shot at the traps with many women, and never have I seen an ungraceful one who used a shotgun well."

As additional proof that the "great master" is an enthusiastic shooter as well as talker, his closing statement was:

"In conclusion, let me say that just about the sweetest music to me is when I call 'pull',' the old gun barks, and the referee, in perfect key, announces 'Dead.'"

Bull and Bear Fight in Hilltown Days

OLD-TIMERS HAD ONE BIG DAY OF SPORT

I occupied the land where the Spreckels sugar factory is located. A. T. Buell occupied the Buena Vista on the opposite side of the river and we were annoyed by having our stock killed by bears that made their homes in the mountains back of the Buena Vista.

They would come down at night and hide in the timber by some of the trails. When the stock went to water the next day the bear would catch the first animal that came along. Both Buell and myself had five or six California boys in our employ, who proposed that if each of us would spare a man for two days without charging them for lost time they would take one of those bears alive, and on the following Sunday they would have an old-fashioned Mexican bull and bear fight. To this we assented. The trap was made of cottonwood logs one foot in diameter in the timber back of where the sugar factory now stands, with a door in one end made of heavy plank, held open by a figure 4. Then they caught a calf about one week old and tied it in the back end of the hut. He was fastened so that he could not reach the spindle that held the door open.

The bellowing of the calf for its mother attracted the bear, who lumbered over the spindle that held the door open and down it came with a crash. He ate the calf and tore the bark off the logs, but he was fast. He was then transferred to an iron cage and taken to the Davis hotel at Riverside and left in the corral.

Then they scoured the country and got the biggest, wildest and sharpest-horned bull they could find. They drove him with tame cattle and put him in the corral. This was on Friday and on Saturday they notified Castroville, Monterey and Watsonville that on the morrow there would be a bull and bear fight at 12 o'clock noon.

Well, what a crowd, about one-half native Californians, and the remainder a mixture of many nations.

The big barn on the north side of the corral was boarded up seven feet from the ground and opened from there to the eaves and filled with hay to the top. There were the reserved seats for women and children only. Men and boys covered the roof of the house, barn and hen house. They sat on horses and wagons and fences. When all was ready eight or ten of the California boys rode into the corral, lassoed the bull and tied his legs. Then they made the end of a chain about sixty feet long fast to one of his fore feet. The door of the cage was opened and the bear let out and the other end of the chain was fixed to one of his fore feet. Then both bull and bear were released. In the meantime an old white-haired Mexican from Castroville, riding a dilapidated pinto pony and with a cracked fiddle, entered the corral. This was called the orchestra, and he played for the bull and bear fight. The animals took a good look at each other and met half way. When the bear appeared to have the best of the fight the children on the hay would cry, and when the bull got the best of it they would laugh.

For some time we thought the bull was worsted. The bear had both arms around his neck and had a vicious grip on the side of his head, but finally he broke loose and got one of those sharp horns between his ribs and into his vitals. Then they backed off the length of the chains. Cold water was dashed on them, but neither would advance. They had no way of digging trenches as in Europe, and the fight was over.

They put the bear back into the cage where he died. Then they drove the bull across the river. Then followed some racing and fights over the results and the curtain dropped. It was a bank of fog floating in from the bay.—Carl S. Abbot of Salinas.

Talk on Birds.—Mr. Elmer Bickford addressed the pupils of the Central School at Napa on "Birds." He spoke of the fun of watching birds and studying their habits in our own yards and in the outlying fields and woods. He dwelt upon the necessity of protecting birds from their natural enemies, and also from the man and boy hunter. He advised the girls to look out for their pet cats, lest they should kill more birds than they were worth. Nearly all birds are beneficial. Mr. Bickford mentioned Cooper's hawk, the Shinir hawk and the English sparrow as harmful birds that should be killed on sight. The children were greatly entertained and instructed by this interesting talk on birds and will be glad to have Mr. Bickford come again.

PACIFIC COAST HANDICAP CHAMPIONS.

Year.	Winner.	From.	Hdcp.	Score.
1905	C. E. Silvester	San Francisco	16	97
	At San Francisco; attendance 74.			
1906	F. B. Mills	Long Beach	19	89
	At Long Beach; attendance 60.			
1907	M. E. Hensler	Colorado Springs	18	93
	At Spokane; attendance 54.			
1909	J. H. Noel	Nashville, Tenn	18	96
	At Seattle; attendance 114.			
1910	J. J. Law	Aberdeen, Wash	17	97
	At Seatile; attendance 109.			
1911	E. L. Mitchell	Los Angeles	17	93
	At Madera, Cal.; attendance 93.			
1912	M. M. Bull	Eugene, Oregon	19	93
	At Portland; attendance 126.			
1913	George E. Ellis	Stockton	17	95
	At Sacramento; attendance 107.			
1914	P. H. O'Brien	Portland	18	*93
	At Portland; attendance 139.			
1915	H. Pfirrmann	Los Angeles	18	**97
	At San Diego; attendance 78.			

*Won shoot from H. H. Ott, Gresham, Ore.
**Won shoot-off from J. F. Couts, San Diego; A. Ervast, San Diego and H. N. Williams, U. S. S. South Dakota.

Club at Watsonville.—A Blue Rock club was organized in Watsonville last week at a meeting of about thirty sportsmen in that city. The shoots will be held at intervals at the car shops of the old Watsonville Railway and Navigation Company on West Third street. It is possible teams will be chosen from the members of the club to compete with other clubs from neighboring cities.

The following officers were elected at the meeting: C. A. Palmtag, president; Harry Brewington, vice-president; E. B. Walling, secretary; Will Whitton, field captain.

THE FARM

HOW TO TELL THE BOARDERS.

One of the main purposes of the cow-testing association is to enable the dairyman to have a tester to keep the records, which in practiceit is almost impossible for the farmer to keep. Thetester will arrive at the farm in time for the afternoon milking, weigh the milk given by each cow in the herd, and take a sample of it to test for butterfat. The following morning the individual production of the herd will be weighed again. Later the Babcock test is used to determine the percentage of butterfat in each cow's milk. From these figures the tester estimates the amount of milk and butterfat given in a month by each cow and sets against this the amount of feed consumed. These records he leaves with the dairy farmer. By studying theserecords it may be determined which cows are not paying and must be culled out.

PUREBRED CALVES AT WEANING TIME.

Weaning time is one of the most critical periods in the calf's life, as well as one of the most important for the breeder. If the calf has been taught to eat grain before this time it may be taken over the crisis without serious results arising, yet we often see calves lose many pounds of flesh, much of their bloom and a great deal of the fresh, attractive appearance given them by a liberal amount of their dam's milk while undergoing this ordeal. Proper precaution should be taken to avoid this. I shall undertake to outline what in m y experience has proved the most practical method of handling the calves, trying at the same time to utilize the products of the farm.

Cattle breeding is a practical man's occupation and if any money is made every cent possible must be saved. The farm's own products must be made the basis of our feeds. While some things may very profitably be added which we do not grow, many of them are too high-priced to be economically used.

The calves when weaned should be separated, keeping the bulls and heifers apart. If it is winter time they should be given box stalls and not crowded. Two or three calves in a stall will do better than a larger number. All the profit of a breeding herd comes through the sale of the calves produced, so there are two essential things to bear in mind: one is to raise as many calves as possible, and the other is to make them as good as we can. The many little details are all to be looked after carefully.

Theheifers may be kept together in larger numbers than the bulls and get along better. A bunch of bull calves can not be run together and be kept in condition to be most attractive to intending purchasers. To the owner of the strictly high-class breeding herd making his bull calves good and giving them the opportunity of the highest development are of the greatest importance. In any herd the bull calf is the chief source of income, hence his proper development is essential.

Plenty of feed and plenty of exercise are a good rule. A bull calf shut in a box stall and not allowed exercise may put on more fat than otherwise, but this is getting too far from nature's way and he is liable to go wrong as a result. We have found that two calves given a box stall together will get along very well for awhile after weaning, but the most satisfactory way is to give each one a stall, feed separately and turn in a lot for exercise.

The kind of feed may be varied, but as a general rule corn forms the foundation with us. Silage made of well-matured corn is nearest to bluegrass of anything we get hold of. Give the calf all of this he will eat; add some corn and a little wheat bran to it and the calf will have a grain ration which should develop him properly. If an ideal ration is desired or if one has not plenty of corn and is compelled to buy feed, cornmeal, ground oats and wheat bran mixed equal parts by measure, with a little oatmeal added, are about what I would choose. Plenty of mixed hay, timothy and clover, is also necessary if the best feed is desired. If one has no hay and plenty of cornfodder is may be used to good advantage.

Water should be always within the easy reach of the calf, especially in warm weather. The box stall is just as essential in the summer as it is in the winter. The calf must be given some place where he can get away from the flies, so we give him the box stall during the day and a gross lot at night.

Just because the bull calf has a box stall do not forget to break him to the halter. Tie him up while he is yet small, the sooner the better, and have him so well broken that he can be led out of his stall and easily managed when a prospective buyer comes along. As soon as he is weaned he may have a ring in his nose which will enable one to handle him more easily, as well as to show him to getter advantage.

This weaning time has to come to all bull calves as a matter of course, but the longer one can put it off the better for the calf. Nothing has yet been discovered containing all the nutritive properties so nicely combined and evenly balanced as his mother's milk and the longer he can have that the better. The only thing better for him than his mother's milk is the milk of some other cow which gives more than his dam. Give him milk fat and keep it on him. Do not wean him until he is eight months old or more, and 10 months is much better than 8.

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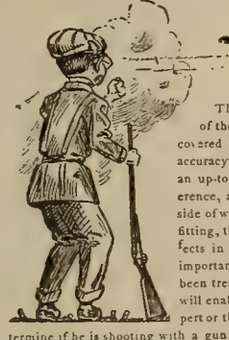
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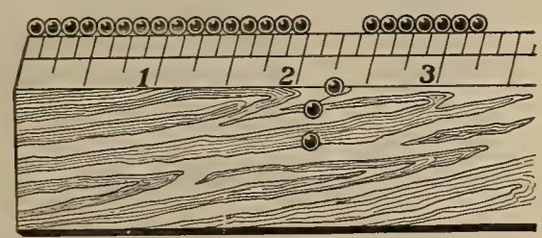
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Doctor S. 2:14½	Santiago (3) 2:24¼
Johnny Dugan p (3)2:16	May Marian p (3)..2:24¼
Hermes (2) 2:16½	Carlrich p (2).....2:24½
John Warwick (2) 2:17	El Carbine (2).....2:27½
Nicola B. (3).....2:18½	Eileen C. (3).....2:29
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THE RACING OUTLOOK.

With the programs for various circuits in the east and central west announced and with those of the major meetings in the northwest already published, it behooves California associations to get a rustle on them and announce their intentions for the present season, unless they expect to attract merely the homeguards within the confines of their own counties. Horses cannot be trained on an uncertainty, and unless classes and purses for California events are arranged very shortly all the best horses in the state, or at least a very large proportion of them, will have been entered elsewhere. There are plenty of horses in training to provide good programs at every fair in the state even after the Grand and Great Western Circuiters have made their departure, but if many of the smaller stables ship out to the north and central west, as a number of them are planning to do, the shortage of horses for our own fairs will be felt very considerably. Scarcely a horseman in the state but prefers to stay here at home if possible, but if not assured of a certain amount of racing at an early date the most of them will pull for other sections.

We receive at this office many letters showing that the interest in fairs and race meetings is most excellent throughout the state, and that the sentiment in their favor is very strong and encouraging in almost every section that is adequately equipped for the staging of such events. The main trouble is to get some one at the head of things to push them along, and from many correspondents we receive expressions of regret over the failure of the late Pacific Coast Fair Association to accomplish its ends, or at least to live long enough to make an effort along that line. In numerous places there is a demand for a fair with horse racing, but they need an organizer of thorough experience and unflagging energy to push the thing through—the one particular in which the secretary of the fair association could have been of inestimable assistance. It is the lack of experience in a number of instances that has been responsible for the delay in the announcement of California programs, while the associations at some points have been waiting to see what the others intended doing. The concerted action that would have resulted in a harmonious circuit is the thing most sadly lacking at the present moment.

Program announcements may be expected at an early date from such places as Santa Rosa, Woodland, Sacramento, Dixon, Hanford, Bakersfield, Riverside, Ventura and Santa Ana, as well as from Pleasanton and perhaps some other points where the future seems in doubt. The associations or their representatives at these places have announced that fairs with racing would be given and we would respectfully suggest to each and every one that an early arrangement of their speed program will do much toward guaranteeing the success of their venture.

At Santa Rosa, which has all the natural advantages for staging one of the very best fairs in the west, a meeting of the directors of the Sonoma and Marin District Fair Association is being held this morning for the purpose of taking definite steps toward the staging of this year's show. Edward H. Brown, who as secretary of the association in former years and as manager of other county exhibits, including the great showing made by the Sonoma folks at the P.-P. I. E., has acquired much experience and achieved notable success, will in all probability be the guiding spirit of the association in its present project, and writes in a recent letter that there is a general desire for the fair and races which should make it an easy matter to secure the necessary local support.

Bakersfield is another point at which the movement is getting well under way in a manner that promises most excellent results. We announced some time ago on the authority of Mr. C. L. Claflin, the well known attorney who takes a deep interest in all affairs pertaining to the horse, that Bakersfield would be in line, and take pleasure in presenting the following confirmation of the same as conveyed to Secretary Paine of the State Agricultural Association by Mr. O. O. Barlow, secretary of the Bakersfield Board of Trade: "Your favor at hand and we wish to say that Kern county is going to hold an Agricultural Fair sometime in October; we will also have a fine string of horses here and expect some good sport. The Board of Supervisors are going to give a goodly sum of money for premiums on products of the county and while we are new at the game we believe that our fair will be worth coming to and shall endeavor to give all who attend a "run for their money." We will greatly appreciate any assistance that you may be able to render us. I might say that Mr. H. A. Jastro is very much interested in this matter and is giving it his hearty support, and that means much in this 'neck of the woods.'"

It is now assured that we will have a number of fairs, enough to make quite a little racing. We should now like to present to our readers some definite information as to what they will have to race for and will take pleasure in making the announcement of speed programs through our reading columns and, later, through our advertising pages. We have printed the programs from a number of northwestern points already. What association in California will set a pattern by announcing one for here at home?

DIXON CLAIMS DATE FOR FAIR.

As announced some time ago through these columns, the wideawake little city of Dixon is right in line for a fair and race meeting this summer, the matter being definitely settled by the following letter:

Dixon, Cal., March 22, 1916.

Dixon has decided definitely to hold a County Fair and Race Meet and would like to claim the dates of August 16, 17, 18 and 19, which we understand would bring us just before Woodland. We stand ready to send a delegate to any meeting or convention to arrange details such as purses and classes.

Yours truly,
HARRY McFADYEN.

Every man who has attended the May Day festivities in the Solano county town has been more than pleased with the way he was treated by the gentlemen in charge of the speed program, and highly gratified by the amount of interest and enthusiasm displayed in the doings of the trotters and pacers. Her advent to the circle of cities giving fairs and races will be eagerly welcomed, and we predict that the fair there will be a success from the start, as the people want it and will give it a hearty support, while the generous participation of horsemen is assured. We extend congratulations to all quarters over the action taken by Mr. McFadyen and his associates and assure them of our heartiest support in every way possible to make their venture a glowing success. The announcement of the speed program will be made by us as soon as arranged, which will be at no far distant day.

The book of Peter the Great, whose fee for 1916 was raised to a round thousand dollars after his purchase by Stoughton Fletcher, is not only reported full but a number of excellent matrons had to be denied service. These Indiana folks are foolish like a fox.

YOU ALL KNOW THE TUNE.

Oh where, oh where
Is the Year Book gone?
Oh where, oh where can it be?
Wid it's ricords so nice
(Savin' thim on the ice)
An' it's "of-fish-al" pidigree!

All winter I've tried
Fer me frind Mike McBride,
To find how his coltie was bred,
But colic an' gout
Have been rife hereabout—
Now Mike an' his coltie are dead!

Oh the stud ads I've wrote
Wid mesilf fer the goat
Fer mistakes made in ignerance drear,
While I looked every day
(Like a hoss fer his hay)
Fer vol-ume thir-ty-wan av last year!

It was promised in Jan.,
'Twas ixpicted in Feb.,
In March it was t'ought a sure ting,
Some day it will come
(Wid a whoop an' a hum)
Whin me nade av it's over, be jing!

PACIFIC COAST SPORTS ALMANAC.

Sportsmen who keep in touch with their world in general and with Pacific coast sports in particular will find the recently published Sports Almanac and Record Book of the well known local authority, William Unmack, a source of much valuable information. While world's records are given in almost all instances the doings of Pacific coast sportsmen are the ones most extensively exploited, and there seems to be almost no branch of professional or amateur sport that has been overlooked. The records include those made up to and during the season of 1915 and as every care has been used in compiling them from the most authentic statistics obtainable the degree of "reliability" attained by the publication is most pleasing. The harness horse department includes not only the more important world's records but those of especial local interest, such as the present world's records held by coast horses, the fastest performers of both gaits bred in this locality, and the fastest performances of the season last passed, other sports being represented in a similar manner. The book is on sale at newsstands at a very low price, or may be ordered direct from Mr. Unmack, 742 Market Street, this city, at a cost of twelve cents.

LEST WE FORGET!

Just a few little extracts from an A. P. dispatch from Chicago dated March 22: "Nine persons were killed, scores injured and half a hundred families made homeless by a freak storm which swept Chicago and vicinity this morning. . . . . Unusual and spectacular combinations of vivid lightning, driving sleet and snow. . . . . Trains covered with ice and sleet crept into their stations hours behind their schedules. . . . . The level of Lake Michigan was raised three feet and icefloes were hurled upon the shore. . . . . During the night the temperature fell rapidly," etc., etc.

Under these circumstances how true are those three lines of "Trotters" in our s. s. C. c. for March 15:

"Still.
"Winter lingers.
"In the lap of Spring!"

Oh, you little old climatic paradise!

Optime, famed as a producing matron throughout the world of the race track, was put to death at Kingston Farm several days ago after having been a sufferer from rheumatism for many years. Fifteen years ago she was imported to this country by the late Marcus Daly of Bitterroot fame, and a few months later was purchased at the Daly dispersal sale by James R. Keene for a consideration of six thousand six hundred dollars. She was then in foal to Melton, the laddie to whom she subsequently gave birth becoming known to fame as Sysonby, winner of fourteen races out of fifteen starts and standing second to the great Domino in the matter of gross winnings for a campaigner on the American turf, the amounts placed to his credit reaching the total of $184,438.

Marque on the Mudders

FROM OUR E. S. S. C. C.

What sort of a horse is best calculated to race in high form on wet, muddy, or sticky tracks Now this is a question that I have for a long time tried to solve, but never reached first base, so to speak, in arriving at anything definite. I have asked trainer after trainer for their version of the matter, but found that while some were willing to express themselves, their views as to why certain horses were naturally good "mudders," and others were not, were as opposite as the poles. I suppose I have been asked 'steen thousand times if this or that horse was good on a muddy track, but always refrained from expressing myself on a subject that I knew nothing about. The inquirers very often were financially interested in certain races which were to be decided over soft tracks, and they would quiz every horseman that they met in the hope of securing information that would help them to win. Rain has frequently caused the M. and M. and other big stakes to be postponed after several heats had been raced, and the concluding ones were certain to be decided next day over a soft track. The speculators were in the pool box, hook, line and sinker, and with feverish anxiety they were trying to pick on the most capable "mudder," and back him to save their coin. These regular Grand Circuit speculators are for the most part nervous men, and since they are always looking for a little the best of it, races which are postponed on account of rain work them up to a high pitch.

"How is your horse in the mud?" they will ask the drivers, and the reinsmen are generally unable to give a satisfactory reply. You see, horses are not worked out in the mud, and very seldom are asked to race under wet conditions, so the drivers are as much in the air as are the gamblers.

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Since I could secure no adequate information from the drivers of trotters and pacers, I sought the trainers of thoroughbreds, and from them learned nothing to enlighten me on the subject.

The Pirate of Penzance family of thoroughbreds are the most noted of all American runners, in respect to their pronounced ability to race in high form in the mud, so I inquired from the trainers what it was that made the Pirate family such noted "mudders." But the trainers disagreed. One told me that their penchant for the mud was due to their strong hind quarters; another said that they were a family of large footel horses; still another said that their feet were small and that it was the undersized foot that was best in the mud, that such feet didn't gather the mud and thus force the horses to carry excessive weight, etc., etc. So there we are up against a proposition that's simply guesswork, and that no one seems to know anything about.

When I asked Mr. Geers for his views, his reply was, to my way of thinking, the correct solution. He said: "A first-class race horse is superior to a second-class one on all kinds of tracks and under all sorts of conditions. Where two or more horses are equally matched, then certain kinds of footing might help one and handicap the other, but as a rule, the best horse is the best all the time."

In reckoning the ability or non-ability of horses to negotiate soft or wet tracks, many horsemen take the matter of action into consideration, but that, according to my observation, does not cut any figure. I have seen high-acing trotters that wore elbow boots plow through the mud and seem to like it, and I have seen the daisy-cutters do the same. Sometimes I have thought that big, stout horses were superior "mudders," and then I would be forced to change my mind upon seeing some light-made one step away with races. I saw Baron Rogers 2:07¼, who was a very low-going hobbled pacer, beat Nervolo 2:04¼ one day at Galesburg, Ill., over a heavy track, and that more than convinced me that there was nothing to my idea that the big, stout horse had the call. Nervolo was a gladiator, also free-legged, while Rogers was a slim-made horse, with his legs tied together. On good footing, Nervolo outclassed his opponent by seconds, but the hobbler was a "mudder" for fair. But the most remarkable race I ever witnessed over a heavy track was that won by Dan R., p, 2:01¾, at Columbus, O., in 1902. Mr. Geers had Fred S. Wedgewood, p, 2:05¼ in the race, which was postponed after Fred had won the first two heats and Captain Sphinx the third. Mr. Geers left for Hartford, Conn., that night to drive Lord Derby 2:05¼ in his match against Boralma, requesting M. E. McHenry to team Fred for him. It rained that night, and with the exception of a well-worn patch a position out from the pole, the track was very heavy. Jimmy Stahl was driving Dan, and McHenry saw to it that he was kept over near the pole in the mud, while Wedgewood's route was along the beaten path. With the mud flying and plastering Jimmy all over, Dan stepped three heats in 2:06¼, 2:06¼, 2:06¼, the six heats being at the time very close to the world's record. McHenry was supremely confident and was putting in his checques even on the sixth heat, for he argued that no pacer could step through such footing at that rate of speed and not weaken his mainspring. But Dan did the trick, and I have never seen another like it. Long ago I signified my admiration of the slender plebeian-bred Dan R. He was one of the greatest characters of the pacing type, being a horse of marked individuality. We used to call him the "clothes line" pacer, on account of his build, but let me tell you that Dan had a twelve-cylinder motor tucked beneath his projecting ribs, and possessed gameness of the sort which enabled Andy Jackson to win the battle of New Orleans. Sometimes he broke, and sometimes he was cheated with (not by his owner, but by some of his various drivers), but when he paced and was "meant," his backers were assured that no race would be too long for him and no clip would kill him off.

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Horses are very deceptive in regard to racing over heavy footing. Sometimes they will go a bad or indifferent race, and perhaps the very next time out they will fool everyone, including their trainers. I recall an instance of this sort in connection with Evelyn W., p, 2:00½. Bert Shank, her driver, never figured her worth a cent in heavy going, but had occasion to change his mind one day at Columbus. She was beaten at Detroit (Michigan state fair) by Earl, Jr., and the following week met the gray king and a good field in the Ohio city. The track conditions were similar in both places, the courses being heavy and the footing, while not muddy, was tough and tiring. Bert didn't think she had a chance until he went on and won. After the race he told me that he couldn't account for her showing on other grounds than that the Detroit race legged her up and made her familiar with the footing, and I know that he was conscientious in his statement.

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Trainers will tell you that there is nothing calculated to dull a horse's speed so much as a hard race over a heavy track. It seems to tear them to pieces, very often making them sore and crimpy, but the reverse is true in some cases. A horse that gets extremely tired in a race, either goes back in form or improves. It is, of course, a well recognized fact that in order to key horses up they have either to be subjected to a few miles right near their limit, or be made very tired by giving them repeats. The point is that when the reaction comes, which means when they are thoroughly rested from their work, they are ready to race for their lives. It is for that reason that some horses, after being made thoroughly weary from racing over soft tracks, acquire a flood of speed and energy when the reaction occurs.

I will sidestep the subject momentarily to remark that with some horses there is a period during the progress of their spring and early summer preparation when they possess a greater turn of speed than they do after contesting a number of races. The "bloom is on them," and while they cannot carry their lick over a distance of ground, they can fly for a short stretch. It may be readily appreciated that repeats in work-outs followed by heat racing dulls their keen edge. Were extreme speed the only thing sought for, the training process would call for brush work only, but so long as horses have to race heats (sometimes six or seven), the trainers of necessity must give them repeats in order to enable them to last through their races. And, by the way, were we racing on the dash, or even the best two-in-three system, we would not kill off or lame such a large percentage of our horses in getting them ready to race. But these observations are aside from the text of this article.

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Just at this point in my story Murray Howe came in for a "hoss talk," as he frequently does, now that he is divorced from the business, and, as "Doc" Tanner puts it, is chained to a desk and has to call his keeper when he wants the shackles removed. Murray, as all of us familiar with him appreciate, is one of the foremost students of gait and everything pertaining to it.

"It's an old subject," said Murray, "and one that I have heard discussed many times, but, like yourself, I found that the trainers disagreed as to why some horses race better over soft tracks than others.

"I believe that it is due to the manner in which their feet land on the track. Some horses land on their heels, others land almost flat-footed, and there is another kind that land on their toes. It's my impression that horses that strike on their heels are handicapped by soft footing, for the reason that they have to go through a double movement before they break over their toes. It is possible that the flat-footed horses (the kind that leave a clear impression of their feet on firm tracks, making very little slip or slide), are good 'mudders.' But it stands to reason that those which land on their toes are better fitted for soft tracks, as they immediately upon landing secure a good foothold and are thus able to lift themselves for a fresh stride. A lot of trotters and pacers have a slide of from two to four inches on good tracks, and it is easy to figure that soft footing would cause them to slip farther, making them sprawl and lose control of their gait."

This dope of Murray's sounds mighty good to me, and it is far and away the best analysis of the matter that I have heard.

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In June, 1914, when I visited Lexington, I found the trainers very much worked up over the condition of the track. They were divided into two camps, Mike Bowerman being the captain of the faction which fought for a hard, smooth and firm track, Johnny Dickerson heading the contingent which desired a track with plenty of loose surface on it. The hard track fellows accused Johnny of getting to track superintendent Mac Wethers, and inducing him to harrow the track and thus keep a nice cushion on it. And Johnny, who is some fighter when he espouses a cause, was free to admit thathe did want a cushion on the track. Said he: "When I came up from Memphis the track was like cement, and I feared to work fast over it less it break my horses down."

Mike Bowerman averred that a firm, hard track never was known to injure a horse, and that all the cripples he had ever seen or trained were made so over soft tracks; that all tracks with cushions broke out, making horses slip and scramble, thus playing hob with their legs. It was a merry war, and I rather enjoyed it till we had it served throughout the daylight hours and well into the nights. But poor Wethers! he was the goat, standing as he had to between two bombardments and getting hit from both sides.

There can be no doubt that Uncle Mike's ideas are correct so far as colt training is concerned. You cannot make speed with colts over soft tracks, and the smoother they are the beter it is for the babies. Their gait is not well established, and soft tracks are not conducive to speed-making. At Lexington nowadays the majority of youngsters wear rubber pads, and these, of course, protect their feet, taking up a lot of the jar and concussion. But I believe that Johnny was equally correct in desiring a cushion on which to train his aged horses, but the trouble is that you cannot have both sorts of tracks at the same time.

Mr. Geers is one of the most even-tempered men I ever knew, but there is one thing that will disturb the even tenor of his way, and that is a hard race track. He begins to suffer the moment he reaches one with his horses, and until he leaves he is out of sorts. Mr. Geers will tell you that hard tracks are responsible for more crippled, lame and sore horses than result from any other cause. He will tell you, too, that hard tracks cause the soundest of horses to shorten their strides, flinch and become rough-gaited. I look forward to the time when I can get the G. O. M. and Uncle Mike together so as to hear them thresh out the hard and soft track proposition.

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Leather pads do much to relieve the jar and sting occasioned to horses' feet by hard tracks, but still horses wearing this protection frequently are badly

punished by the flint-like footing of some of our race courses. You can see them falter and shorten up, and you can easily perceive that every stride they take is attended by pain. But it's really wonderful that our horses' feet withstand, as well as they do, the strain put upon them. Just think of the impact resulting from 1,000 or more pounds weight hurtling through space at a 2:00 clip, the feet having to bear the concussion as best they can! In order to appreciate what this concussion and friction means, just pick up a horse's foot after he has negotiated a fast heat over one of those hard clay tracks, and you will find that the shoe, especially the front ones, is so hot that you can scarcely leave your hand on it, the hoof, too, being abnormally hot. Were it not for the care given the feet, the use of hoof ointments, etc., they would quickly lose their natural elasticity and become dead and brittle.

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Sometimes I wonder how it is possible for shoes to stay on and nail-clinches hold when a trotter is racing on one of our hard tracks. Very often they do not, particularly where pads underlie them, for the leather gives, thus loosening the nails. I have seen shoes thrown thirty feet in the air, and recall hunting for one that must have been hurled clear over the outside fence, for it was nowhere in sight. Were a shoe at the force with which they are sometimes cast to hit a driver trailing in the rear, it would come pretty near finishing him. One day at Lexington Millard Sanders was driving one of the Sidney Dillon mares (I think it was Ruth Dillon 2:06½), and she cast a shoe which struck the sulky arch, making a dent over half an inch deep in the hard hickory. I remember another occasion when I was helping to look for a lost shoe, and when I had returned after an unsuccessful search, the boys laughingly told me that they had found it. You will scarcely believe it possible when I tell you that it was discovered hanging on the braces beneath the sulky arch. The driver said he heard it strike against the sulky, but never dreamed that it would catch and hold onto the vehicle like it did.

Some of our very fastest race tracks are constructed from yellow clay, which becomes very firm and hard when being made extensive use of. The presence of a great number of horses working over these clay tracks packs the soil, and even sharp tooth harrows scarcely tend to cut into them and make a cushion. After a night's sprinkling, the harrows are put on, but by noon the soil is again packed and hard.

Throughout the middle west our tracks are, for the most part, made of black soil, which lends itself readily to efforts to make it fast. Nail harrows are the sort used, and when followed up by floats, these black soil tracks can be made fast with very little effort or expense. Our sandy tracks, while not fast, are best adapted for wet weather, and, taken the year around, are the most useful that we have. They are at their best shortly after hard rains, thus making racing possible over them, when clay or black soil tracks would be out of commission.

CHANGE IN DATE AT PHOENIX.

We are advised by a recent communication from Secretary T. D. Shaughnessy of the Arizona State Fair, that the date for the big event this year has been changed to make it fall the week of November 13 to 18, several days later than originally planned. The change was made largely on the plea submitted by the cattlemen, who are among the most ardent supporters of the fair, to the effect that fall range work keeps them and their ranch and range outfits busy as can be right up to the first of November, when there comes a slight lull until winter sets in some weeks later. With the grass beef off to market, the calves in the weaning pasture and the poorest of the old cows fixed up on good feed the cowman has few worries for the time being and can take his family and most of the "boys" and hit the Phoenix trail. The election breaks into the favorite week this time, and in deference to the big interests involved it was deemed best to make the week's delay.

While a date a week or even two weeks earlier would have been most acceptable to campaigning horsemen in general, the change will work no especial hardship upon them. By that time the local fairs will be all cleaned up and out of the way, while trainers who have been east of the mountains will have ample time to get to Phoenix and rest their bones a few days before commencing the final battle of the campaign. Last year's fair was later even than this year's will be, and while the nights were a bit sharp there was no sickness contracted even by non-acclimated horses and there was quite a bit of very keen racing. As entries will not close until late in the season the fields should be very well balanced and some high class sport result.

By a recent ruling of the local courts, it is also within the range of possibilities that Phoenix may have pari-mutual speculation this fall, though we have as yet received no definite information on this matter. A test case has met with a favorable decision, and were the iron men put in operation horse racing in Arizona would receive a wonderful impetus. The outcome will be awaited with much interest.

BOARD OF REVIEW MEETS MAY 2.

Hartford, Conn., March 14, 1916.

A special meeting of the Board of Review will be held at the Murray Hill Hotel, New York, N. Y., at 10 o'clock A. M., on Tuesday, May 2, 1916, by order of the President.

All communications intended for the consideration of the Board at the May meeting must be forwarded to the Secretary not later than April 18.

The Board of Review is empowered to act in place of the full Board with the same authority and jurisdiction, and at the above meeting will consider business arising in each and all of the districts.

W. H. GOCHER, Secretary.

Vernon Airs a Grouch

THE EDITOR IS THE FALL GUY

"And how is every little thing?" queried V. McKinney Esquire Sunday morning between showers at Pleasanton. "I lamped you coming down the driveway a few minutes ago and hoped you'd stop for a minute before you tied in with some of these Indians aroud here and made a getaway. What's the matter with you, anyway? You don't look so worse for a sawed off runt but you're going awfully bad gaited. Ankle? That's what I thought when I saw you toddling down this way. It didn't seem to be high in your hip and it oughtn't to be corns because God knows them shoes don't look like your feet hurt 'em, and let me tell you this one thing: You may have a bum joint low down but you got a lot of birds skinned in one respect, you ain't never going to hit them knees, hobbled or free-legged. Let me wise you up on one other small matter, Bill, and then I'll take up my own troubles. You're too blamed fat to start training even if you got sound, and what I'd suggest is a lot of slow miles, for you ain't never going to step no fast heat with all that grass belly you're carrying. Plenty of light work the wrong way of the track for a month and you'd do to speed up a little, but speed would be mighty bad for you right now, bo, mighty bad.

"However, that ain't what I wanted to see you about. What got me on the prod is the things some of you guys that make a bum living writing about things you don't know a damn thing about have said since you and me had our last little pow wow together. Some overpaid space spoiler up at Sacramento a few days ago said in the paper that has the hard luck to support him and his affinity that if White Sox won the Chamber of Commerce (and you can get a long price on her in my book right now even if she is my cousin and a perfect lady so far as I know) she would be the first California horse that had figured prominently in that stake for fifteen years, or since Bonnie Direct won it in 1900. Ain't it hell, the way these wisenheimers scatter wisdom along their path! Who do you reckon does he suppose won the C. of C. some few seasons back, say in 1911 to be exact, if it wasn't a California pacer? I'll break it to this guy right now that it was a bay horse foaled and trained in California. His first name was Vernon and the last part was McKinney, me being the identical son of a sea cook.

"Now I know that most of us Native Sons is accused of being over-enthusiastic in our remarks concerning everything in California and everything raised here, and this guy don't have to take my word for it that I win this here Michigan classic in 1911. Any of the books prove it beyond any doubt, but if he wants some of this 'viva voce' testimony, as that friend of yours in Chi would call it, refer him to that Yank highliner that invaded the New York sale the other day and took away all them children of that second cousin of mine that lives down at Walnut Hall, Walter Cox his name is. 'Long Shot' they call him for short around the big line tracks, but believe me, Bill, you wouldn't dare print the things I've heard this guy called when the ham mocking the phonograph had some heat in his system and plenty of time and the inclination to do the subject justice. Let this Sacramento boner ask Walter if I won the Chamber of Commerce in 1911, providing information is what he is looking for and he can stand to have some new language added to his limited vocabulary. Of course a lot of other fellows could tell him so, too, but I know Coxey recalls the occasion some forcible. You see him and Branham Baughman fraled the everlasting tar out of me and Havis early in the week at Detroit and Longshot and his friends had some few tickets on Branny for the Chamber of Commerce. Some few is conservative figures. Havis and me buggy ride in fifth place in the opening skirmish and then we springs it on 'em for three in a row. What become of all them nice bright Branny tickets? Durned if I know what Long Shot and his gang really done with 'em, but they don't cash 'em by several degrees, the pay out all coming on boards bearing my personal monicker.

"Once again before we leave this sad subject let me remind the same trotting horse Solomon that two years later another California pacer figured quite prominently in the same event, so blamed emphatically that Frankie Bogash 'fils,' as they say in France, had to hang up the stake record to win. The runnerup was a lady and a relative of mine, Leata J. by name, born in my county and educated at the same little red school house, if you ask me, the one in the edge of Stockton. Still we ain't never figured prominently in the C. of C. since Bonnie Direct's time, fifteen years ago, huh? Where did this hick ever tend bar, anyway?

"One more kick and I'm through. You know them eastern bull peddlers had me up in Canada here a while back until you and me broke it to 'em where to head in, and now they are all circulating a story that John Porter has booked Izetta R. to me. You know her, that red-haired Pactolus woman that used to live with Directum Kelley after they both went east. Why do I say they both went east? Because that's just what I mean. Kelley, he was raised right here and this skirt lacks a lot of being a bean eater by birth, having been born in Nebraska. DeRyder used to have her and can tell you all there is to know about her, anyway, so cut out this query stuff. Like I was saying when you cut into the good going, this couple took to each other right smart down east, and when the authorities got through investigating the matter they settled on Kelley as the father of the child, which develops gradual to the point where he becomes Directum I. 1:56¾, chief kicker of the unpaced sidewheelers. Believe me, Bill, this little red runt is quite some speed merchant in his own generation. Hearing I was going to be in Winnipeg this man Porter figures up of course that I was the logical candidate for Izetta's affections now that all her former steadies is either dead or Renoed, so he announces the forthcoming nuptials on the strength of what he reads in the papers. Then he dreams at night about owning a colt that would sift sand in Directum I.'s nose on the best day he ever saw. Then he wakes up and finds I ain't in Canada at all, and naturally he feels pretty sore, but I ain't to blame, am I? That's where you guys come in, and believe me if that woman jumps me on a breach of promise charge or for annexing her affections under false pretenses I am going to have the whole outfit subpoenaed and teli the exact truth about the entire matter. I've got troubles enough of my own without having a lot more wished on me by a bunch of solid topped reporters.

"You looking for DeRyder? There he is up at the end of the barn, just come from looking at them cows he bought. Talk about your cow barons, keep your eye on the big boss. He's got cows on the brain and if they give him half a chance he will have outfits like Tom Pollock's or Dave Wallis's or Harry Cowell's on the run in a few years. Go on, beat it. He wants to show you that two hundred dollar bull calf and I've talked myself out and relieved my system of a big load, so don't mind me. Just remember what I told you and drop in the next time you come around. I might be in a better humor then. Adios."

Trotters Are Popular at Santa Maria

Santa Maria, Cal., March 16, 1916.

All the horsemen around here were greatly disappointed to hear of the failure of the California Circuit being formed. It seems to me that there are enough men interested in the harness horse in California to support a circuit and I am sure there are enough horses. Every year enough horses are shipped out of California to the races to support a circuit here at home. The ships in California are shorter than you will find in any racing section. The cheapest ship a stable had all last summer was by express from Los Angeles to San Francisco. As it is California horses that raced away from home contribute rather heavily to the railroad companies.

The interest in the harness horse is not on the decline in California as some people think but is rather on the upgrade. A few of the most prominent patrons have dropped out but there are a greater number of owners of harness horses in California at the present time than ever before.

Sunday, Feb. 27 we held matinee races and a little broncho busting mixed in which drew a crowd of about 800 people in a town of 3,000 inhabitants. An admission of 50 cents was charged as this is the only means of support the track has.

The main attraction was the match race between Mono Ansel and R. W. The horses were both raced last year, Mono Ansel through the Colorado-Wyoming Circuit and R. W. through the Kansas Grand Circuit. Both horses met at Albuquerque in the 2:24 class. Mono Ansel in winning the race beat the favorite R. W. rather handily. After returning home the owner and trainer of R. W. were not quite satisfied with the race in New Mexico and finally arranged a match race with Mr. Young, the owner of Mono Ansel for $500 a side, best three in five. The rain Saturday and Sunday morning left the track rather soft and slow but Mono Ansel was again returned the victor in three straight heats. The winner acts as if he would become a very useful race horse in another year's time. He is an exceptionally nice mannered stallion and is eligible to the 2:20 class. He has been a mile in 2:12½ over a halfmile track and in 2:07 over a mile track. Has plenty of speed and on the halfmile track here has shown eighths in 14¼ seconds and quarters around 30½ seconds. He goes free legged and uses only quarter and coronet boots. W. L. Young, the owner, has refused several nice offers as he intends racing him this year.

There are several other horses being prepared here for the races. C. W. Short is working several good prospects. The trotting stallion Skidoo Wilkes and several of his colts are doing very nicely. A short time ago he purchased the little pacing gelding Silver Tips, a full brother to Chorro Prince 2:08¾. He appears to have the makings of a fast pacer, having been quarters in 30 seconds over this track, and with any kind of luck should do to race this year.

Frank Treanor is working both of his fillies by The Proof. The bay filly Catherine T. which Chas. Spencer worked some at Pleasanton last year is coming along very nicely and looks as if she would be able to fill her engagements this fall. She worked this track the other day in 2:30, the last half in 1:12, last quarter in :34 and eighth in 16 seconds, which is very encouraging considering the amount of work she has had.

Harry Steinhart, the popular "mixologist" of the Hotel Bradley, has his mare Queen Rapallo in nice shape and expects great things from her this coming season. He has an eleven months old colt out of this mare by Nuristo which is nicely broken and does nothing but pace. His Proof colt from Nelmonia is turned out but showed he could trot last summer with no work at all.

James Hall, the "veteran reinsman" of the valley, is working two very pleasing prospects. His three-year-old filly by The Proof is developing very fast and is nice mannered. He also has a four-year-old by Rapallo which resembles his sire both in appearance and action.

I have a brown filly by El Zombro and out of My Trueheart 2:19½ which has trotted this track in 2:30, with halves in 1:10 and eighths in 16 seconds.

Blosser's Pointer's Daughter, Finley's Pope-Hartford, and Young's Ben Corbett Jr. are being worked slowly and will be prepared and raced by W. H. Finley, who had a successful season last fall through the Colorado-Wyoming Circuit.

So you see the harness horse game is in a very flourishing condition in Santa Maria and we would like very much to see a circuit formed this coming season in California.

Yours very truly,

WM. MEAD.

NEWS FROM THE BLUE GRASS.

Lexington, Ky., March 11.—The sudden and unexpected death of Eugene Bowerman the past week has cast a gloom over the entire colony of local trainers and horsemen. Bowerman was taken ill Sunday afternoon when about four squares from his home. After going into the house his condition did not improve, but he decided to stay for the night. Upon attempts made to arouse him the next morning he was found to be dead. The popular young trainer had been in bad health for some months past, but was apparently much improved recently and his death was unexpected. The death of his young wife, Mrs. Etta Wells Bowerman, some few weeks ago, also preyed somewhat on his mind and added to the seriousness of his condition. He is survived by his father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Bowerman, and one son, Michael Bowerman Jr., one of the brightest young fellows in the city. To all of these the deepest sympathies of horsemen are due.

The deceased was 45 years of age, and was a horseman by blood, as well as by profession. All his life had been spent with trotters, and he was accounted one of the best trainers at the Lexington track. He never cared to race horses, but spent his time in developing colts, principally. He also worked his horses with a view to future usefulness in racing rather than to see how much speed he could get or how fast a mile he could work his charges. For several years he has worked for his uncle, George Bowerman, and since the illness of the latter has done practically all of the training. Assisted by the sound judgment and wisdom of the older horseman, the combination was a peculiarly successful one. Announcement was recently made that George Bowerman, wishing to be relieved of all business cares, would retire and that Gene and his father would train together this season. This new arrangement had just been entered upon.

Gene Bowerman had developed many fast trotters and pacers in recent years, among which were the sensational futurity winner, Manrico (3) 2:07¼, to which he gave his early lessons; Reusens 2:07¼, an M. and M. winner, that he trained the season before winning the Detroit classic; Sister Spier, that he gave a record of 2:07 the past season; Lulu Arion (4) 2:08¼, that he trained as a yearling and two-year-old, and at five drove a mile in 2:06¼; Alma Sedley, that he worked in 2:11½ at three early in the season; Don Pronto 2:02¼, the good race pacer and former champion five-year-old stallion; also a host of others. The funeral services were held at the residence Wednesday afternoon, the following friends acting as pall-bearers: James Snell, John Davis, Roy Miller, W. T. Griffy, J. A. Willis and Dr. E. W. Hagyard.

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Roy Miller received the past week from W. W. Estill, Elmwood Farm, the two-year-old chestnut filly, Rosa Watts, that he will train the coming season. The filly is said to be quite a nice trotter, being trained a little the past season by Rodes Estill. She is a daughter of General Watts and Rosa Lake (2) 2:22¾, by The Bondsman, making the filly a nicely-bred one, especially as she runs in the female line to the family of the champion yearling Airdale, etc. Rosa Lake was trained by Miller and given her record by him when he conducted a public stable here before working for the Dromore Farm.

Walter Cox has not stopped his purchase of high-class trotters, for he concluded a deal the past week for the four-year-old trotting mare, Busy Lassie, in the stable of H. C. Moody, paying for her the reported price of $6,000. The mare received practically all of her training the past season, being hardly broken at the beginning and trotted a mile last fall in 2:09¾. She is a nicely bred one, too, being a daughter of the champion sire, Peter the Great 2:07¼ out of Miss Busy by Clay, son of Electioneer—second dam by Baron Wilkes 2:18, then running back to the great brood mare, Tidy, by Mambrino Chief, from which have come a number of high-class trotters. With Mabel Trask, a sensational prospect by Peter the Great, in his stable, it is not likely that Cox will attempt to stake Busy Lassie the coming season, and with another year's training she should prove one of the star stake trotters of 1917. The mare was owned jointly by Moody and Mr. W. N. Reynolds, of Winston-Salem, N. C.

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Hugh Moore, the Georgetown horseman, whose principal business is hardware and stoves, but who always handles a few horses on the side, bought the past week from Ed. D. Smith, of Scott county, a three-year-old brown colt that is a brother of the good Virginia trotter, Doctor Peter 2:17¼, and the fast pacer, Sheriff Peter (3) 2:24¼. Their dam is by the good trotter Dr. Sparks 2:12¼, that was a few years ago one of the best trotters racing. The colt is barely broken, not even having been named, but gives every evidence of becoming a fast trotter with a little training.

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James Snell received the past week from Lester Darnaby two promising young trotters to train. They were a two-year-old colt and a yearling filly, both by the futurity winner Siliko (3) 2:11¼, out of Susie Darnaby, by Todd 2:14¾. Snell has trained most of the produce of Susie Darnaby, which ranks as one of the leading daughters of Todd. Her first foal was Dorothy Gay 2:10¾, and the second Peter Hopeful (4) 2:09¾, both of which received their early development in Snell's hands. Susie Darnaby is also a sister of Sir Todd 2:10¾, and a half-sister of Larabie the Great 2:12¾.

Lawrence Rogers, who has been superintendent at the farm of J. L. Dodge for the past year, has resigned and his place is being filled temporarily by W. H. Harrison. In addition to his duties with his stable, Harrison now has his hands full. Among other things Harrison is having the old track shaped up, the course not having been used since the place was owned by Mr. Metcalfe. This track is to be used principally as a training place for the yearlings before being brought to the track. The Dodge horses will probably be brought up from Mr. Dodge's winter quarters in Georgia about April 1.

Stoughton Fletcher, of Indianapolis, who recently became the owner of the world's greatest sire, Peter the Great, is a visitor in Lexington, having come down to see the horse and to attend to some other matters. At this writing he has made no purchases.—Western Horseman.

WASHINGTON STATE FAIR RACE PROGRAM ANNOUNCED.

Secretary Frank Meredith has prepared the program of horse races for the forthcoming Washington State Fair, which will be held at North Yakima September 18 to 23. There will be but five days devoted to horse racing this year, as automobile races will be held on Monday, the first day of the fair.

The program which follows is well balanced, and it will give all classes of both harness and running horses a chance for some of the money. The 2:08 pace, free-for-all pace and 2:12 trot are best three in five heats. All of the other races are on every heat a race plan.

All entries close June 1, except the 2:15 and 2:20 paces and the 2:15 and 2:20 trots, which close on September 4.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19	
2:15 Trot, every heat a race	$600.00
2:15 Pace, every heat a race	600.00
⅜ Mile Run	75.00
⅝ Mile Run	100.00
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20	
2:25 Trot, every heat a race	500.00
2:08 Pace, three in five	700.00
½ Mile Run	75.00
⅞ Mile Run	100.00
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21	
2:25 Pace, every heat a race	500.00
2:12 Trot, three in five	700.00
⅜ Mile Run	75.00
⅝ Mile Run	100.00
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22	
2:30 Trot, every heat a race	500.00
2:20 Pace, every heat a race	500.00
2:10 Pace, every heat a race	600.00
1 Mile Run	150.00
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23	
2:20 Trot, every heat a race	600.00
Free-For-All Pace, three in five	700.00
½ Mile Run	75.00
⅞ Mile Run	100.00

Notes and News

The Montana Livestock & Casualty Insurance Company, with an organized capital of $250,000, has been issued a certificate by the insurance commissioner to do business in California, and will be represented by Mr. Douglas Keith, whose office is in the Royal Insurance Building, San Francisco.

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The latest news from Ontario, Can., is to the effect that Bion Shively shipped all his summer clothes to Howard Perry, at Shreveport, La., receiving in exchange a certain well known muskrat fur overcoat. The exchange of garments was just the thing for both parties, and Mrs. Shively called By her little "Teddy bear," after seeing him the first time in his sheep's wool-lined boots and the aforementioned fur overcoat.—Horse Review.

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Bernice R. 2:07¼, bred by A. B. Spreckels of this city and now owned at Curles Neck Farm, Virginia, has foaled a fine bay filly by The Harvester 2:01, the aristocratic little lady having born on March 4 at the Billings establishment. Bernice R. is the fastest member of the get of Dexter Prince and was driven to her record in 1912 at Fresno by Charley Spencer, the pair winning five out of six starts that season. Save for the mud at Salem they would probably have made a clean sweep.

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Expedio 2:09¼, the good trotting daughter of Lijero that was a familiar figure on local tracks only a very few seasons ago, has been sent to Pleasanton from Sacramento by Frank Ruhstaller and has been mated with The Anvil. She is a fine type for a brood mare and when bred to stallions such as Anvil should throw a very high class foal. Nobody would appreciate a world beater any more than Mr. Ruhstaller and if he should get one nobody will begrudge him his good fortune.

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Should auld acquaintance be forgot and never brought to mind? Say not so, and then guess where this report comes from: "The weather was wretched yesterday at ——— and very little of the racing could be seen owing to the mist which enveloped a great part of the course." No, gentle reader, you missed it. The item was not an old one telling about something at the exposition race track in 1915 nor yet at Bay District or Tanforan in days gone by, but is taken from an English contemporary's description of a day's racing recently at Gatwick, so you see there are others.

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Anvil 2:02¾, according to our eseemed sole surviving Chicago contemporary, is the fastest stallion that ever stood in California. Put in the word trotting before stallion and we may stand for it, or do you suppose that the hard winter has gone to the head of the Chicago editor to the extent that he no longer regards a pacer as worthy of mention as a stallion? As pacers are welcome on their stallions for service pages, however, the latter surmise seems hardly so well grounded as one to the effect that the item as it appeared was merely one of those things alluded to by Magnus Flaws as a fox paw, whatever that is.

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Marvin Childs, who wintered at Omaha and as a consequence has been missed greatly by his many friends in this particular section of the country, has shipped to Indianapolis to put the finishing touches to the prep of the horses he will race this summer, mostly the property of Edward Peterson of Omaha. The five taken to the Hoosier training center are Sad Thoughts (3) 2:06¾, Ben Earl (4) 2:11¼, R. C. H. 2:13¼, Major By By 2:19¼ and Tom Smith 2:11¼. Marvin believes that the Major and the Nebraska-bred gelding will stand up this year and both are better than 2:10 trotters if they do, while in R. C. H. he has one better than the average from what he showed last season. Marvin had him at Pleasanton and worked him there in 2:10 before the owners sent for him to race on the minor tracks. He was a good consistent horse in other hands and for Marvin he ought to race very well indeed.

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James S. ("Budd") Murray has been renominated for the office of mayor of Chester, N. Y. Mr. Murray has filled the position so satisfactorily during the past several years that the people of that thriving town would not consider his retiring. "Budd" is a hustler and takes a great deal of pride in Chester. Brook Farm, where he resides, is a model-kept place, and one of the finest racing plants in the United States owned by an individual.—Horse Review. Now that the secretaries are doing their dingedest to surpass each other in the way of conditions, why not have some enterprising eastern or central western association hang up a purse open to horses driven by mayors only and have one really "honorable" horse race? Mayor Murray has plenty of material to select from, Mayor Shank has a few droves of trotters and pacers, and His Honor Eddie Hansen usually has one or two somewhere about the place or can borrow anything in the International stable. Who else is eligible under the mayoralty clause?

Mildred Togo (3) 2:11¾ has foaled a nice filly by Mahomet Watts 2:08¼ and has been bred to The Anvil 2:02¾. She was a highclass trotter at the juvenile stage and should throw a lot of speed to the cover of either of the stallions mentioned.

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Madam Mac, who has been among the very best of the ice pacers this season, certainly "did herself proud" the other day at Lake of the Isles when she stepped the second, third and fourth heats in 1:01½, 1:01¼ and 1:01½.

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On the first of the present month at Piedmont Stock Farm, Huntsville, Alabama, the gray stallion Re-Election 2:27¼ was put to death as an act of mercy, after having achieved a greater success than any sire owned in that portion of the south. Re-Election was foaled in 1888 at Palo Alto the property of A. J. Alexander of Kentucky, who had sent his dam to be bred to Electioneer. Lady Russell came rightly by the color she transmitted to her first foal by Electioneer, as she sprang from the family of Pilot Jr., but her next foal, Expedition 2:15¾, followed the color of the paternal side, being a brown or dark bay, from which Mr. David Hollins, given the preliminary dope that goes with it, would doubtless deduct that the star of Lady Russell was in the ascendancy at one mating while that of Electioneer ruled at the time of the other. Re-Election begot forty-three standard performers, mostly trotters, as well as the dams of quite a number of more than ordinary caliber, including the good trotter King Clansman 2:06¾, campaigned with considerable success in late seasons by Richard McMahon. His death leaves his brother Expedition the oldest living son of the one-time monarch of Palo Alto.

Bob Sebastian, who has spent the winter with his home folks at Hemet, leaves in a few days for Omaha to get the Dennison horses in shape to race on the western circuits and will take along a couple that he has just acquired, the former Hemet Stock Farm trotters Miss Gailey and Kinney de Lopez, going into the four figures on each one of them. Miss Gailey, who has had a year's letup after having been a most excellent trotter as a three- and four-year-old, has matured into a most pleasing mare and acts like she was good for quite a little better than two-ten before the season is far advanced. She is the best daughter of George W. McKinney, while her dam is that sterling producer Lady Zombro 2:24¾, whose produce have played such important parts in the racing of the Pacific coast colt stakes in recent years. Kinney de Lopez, a handsome son of Kinney Lou 2:07¾ and Betsey Direct 2:25¾, is one of the most perfectly gaited trotters in the land and has long been regarded by his former owner, Budd Doble, as one of the very fastest horses that veteran has ever ridden behind. He has had some trouble behind in former seasons that interfered with his usefulness but Bob writes that he is sound now, in which case he ought to be one of the best green trotters in the west this year, as the two minute gait is no measure of his brush. Miss Gailey was purchased for the account of Thomas Dennison, while Bob assumed title to Kinney de Lopez for himself. Jimmy Ronin has been keeping the Dennison and Sebastian horses at Omaha in shape all winter, so that when Bob arrives at the Nebraska trotting center he will find everything ready to go right ahead with. He has done nicely with the Dennison horses ever since becoming identified with them and will no doubt roll up some profit both for the owner and himself again this season.

Doble Resigns Management at Hemet

Letters received at this office this week from Messrs. W. F. Whittier and Budd Doble announce the resignation of the latter from the vice presidency and general managership of the Hemet Stock Farm, of which he has been the guiding spirit for the past four or five years. Mr. Doble has not made his future plans known, but from personal conversations during the winter with the editor of this paper it may be stated that the first thing to be sought by him is a complete rest of some weeks or months, absolutely free from care and responsibility of every kind.

While Mr. Doble's resignation, which probably means his retirement from active participation in the trotting horse industry, is a matter for general regret, it occasions small surprise to his more intimate friends, who have known for some months that this action was under consideration, the veteran champion maker having an ardent desire to make a change to some less strenuous pursuit. Not wishing to continue longer in the sulky he also felt himself under obligations to Mr. Whittier to make way for a man who would not only look after the farm's affairs in general but also do the bulk of the training and practically all of the race driving, two things of which Mr. Doble believes he has had about his full share in the course of the nearly three score years that he has been in the business. Since 1912, when he achieved such signal success with Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼ as a three-year-old, winning two of the greatest colt races ever contested on this coast and hanging up a then world's record for a five heat race for the age and gait, Budd (as we all still love to call him) has delegated a good deal of the training and race driving to his capable assistants, devoting the greater portion of his personal activities in those lines to his particular favorites among the older horses.

Under the management of Mr. Doble, Hemet Stock Farm has achieved a worthy standing among contemporary establishments of the kind throughout the land. The farm itself is one of the show places of southern California and is visited by large numbers of people annually, confined by no means to the "profession," as the general public find almost as much of interest at Hemet as does the trotting horse fraternity. The get of its stallions and the produce of its mares have made history in recent seasons in the western colt stakes, achieving the fame that comes to holders of world and coast records, while during the season last past the winnings of its great three-year-old trotting filly, Allie Lou, were exceeded by those of but one other campaigner of the age and gait, the incomparable Mary Putney. (Incidentally we find it impossible to fail to note that both are by grandsons of McKinney with strong infusions of the blood of Nutwood Wilkes on the maternal side.)

With these things to look back to as accomplished at a time of life at which many men are in the discard, Mr. Doble may well feel that his "valedictory" as a reinsman has been delivered with striking success and that the vacation on which he is soon entering has been well earned. It is not likely that he will leave California, but wherever he goes, and in whatever undertaking he assumes when his playday is over, he carries with him the very warmest and heartiest of best wishes of a circle of friends and admirers whose name is legion. Mr. Whittier, in his letter to the editor, pays his tribute to his retiring manager in these words: "I am very loath indeed to accept Mr. Doble's resignation and part with his services as he has been very successful with the farm and its horses, using every care to bring out the best that is in them and endeavoring generally to make the farm a success. He has been with me over four years and has been faithful, thoroughly reliable and competent in every way, so that as I said before, I am sorry indeed to part with him."

Mr. Whittier also announces Mr. Doble's successor, who is none other than that highly successful southern California horseman, Fred E. Ward of Los Angeles, who for the last several seasons has taken rank among the best trainers and drivers of the younger generation of the fraternity. With horses owned by himself and his northwestern patrons, the Porter Brothers, Ward has been a hard one to head in any ordinary and some extraordinary company both here on the coast and in the central west. Last season, racing principally over halfmile tracks and for very moderate purses, he won nearly nine thousand dollars with the three horses in his own stable, while his additional winnings in the capacity of catch driver, in which his services were much in demand when circumstances left him a free agent for an occasional race, brought his total credit in excess of twelve thousand dollars. In addition to his rare qualifications as a trainer and race driver Mr. Ward is thoroughly familiar with farm management and the theory and practice of horse breeding, while also being generally accepted as a "good business man." Under his management Hemet Stock Farm should prosper in a most gratifying manner and its horses achieve future fame in keeping with that of the past. As Fred already had a pretty nifty stable of horses, which we understand he took to Hemet with him, he is liable to prove a genuine pest at the races this season, as the combination of the two strings ought to be a mighty formidable affair, and while extending to Mr. Doble our best wishes for many years of quiet comfort, the best luck we can wish Fred is that he may be right in where the dust and dirt are thickest and the roar of the battle the loudest every time he starts a horse—say trailing the leader into the stretch with a good place to pull out for a shoot to the wire, for instance. Given half a chance, he'll be there, too.

Thoroughbred Matters

IMPORTED HONEYWOOD.

We are permitted to publish the following interesting estimate of Honeywood, the son of Polymelus, now making his first season at the Nevada Stock Farm. The letter was recently addressed to Mr. Wingfield by Mr. A. A. Wheeler:

"I have just received the extended pedigree you sent me of Honeywood, and will now amplify the suggestions I made a few days ago in conversation.

"Honeywood has the advantage of belonging to family No. 1, the foremost of the running lines, but his pedigree is not strong in sire line blood. Only one of his grandparents, Maid Marion, belongs to a sire family, No. 3. In the next generation this sire line is repeated by Quiver, but the other seven crosses are running lines. In the next there are five sire lines and eleven running lines. In the next, thirteen sire lines against nineteen running lines. Therefore I think it will be important for Honeywood's success at the stud to assist him by a judicious choice of mates. These will be: (1) Mares that repeat the leading strains in his dam, which are families No. 2, No. 5, and No. 15, represented by Friar's Balsam, Hermit, and Skylark. (2) Mares that repeat the nearest strains in the dam of Polymelus, which are No. 3 and No. 10. Another reason for expecting a good influence from No. 3 blood is because Skylark is by a sire of that family.

"It is a piece of luck that you happen to have imported a horse whose second dam was sired by a No. 15 horse, as that family has had some remarkable representatives in America. Alarm and Hanover were its greatest members. You will recall also Magnet and Gerolstein. I look upon Orsini as the best sire of No. 2 family we have had in California, much better than Golden Garter, and his dam was a daughter of Alarm. Watercress I consider the highest representative of No. 10 family we have had, a horse that has transmitted stamina as well as speed. Ossary belongs to the same family. From all these sources suitable mares will be available for Honeywood.

"Of the mares and fillies I recall in your own stud, the maiden mare Pepperwood not only comes from the same great sire family as Polymelus, but repeats through Magnet the No. 15 of the second dam of Honeywood. Your two Voter mares should be reserved for him, for both the family number and the individual are repeated in that son of Friar's Balsam. The Dark Ronald filly repeats the No. 2, and the Hampton (10), and the family number (9) of Cyllene, making her a promising mate. Perhaps the Minoru filly, repeating both Friar's Balsam and Cyllene, is a bit too closely inbred for perfect vigor, though something phenomenal might be the result. The William III filly would make a strong return of No. 2 as well as of No. 3 in the dam of Polymelus. You probably have other promising mates that are ready for use.

"Honeywood's breeding is made up almost entirely of the two great lines of fifty years ago—Stockwell and Touchstone. There is not a trace in him of the Blacklock blood, which has made such a stir for twenty-five years. And the dashes of Herod blood are few and remote. The Hermit blood of his dam has been a little out of fashion in England, though in Germany and France the very successful stallions, Hannibal and St. Hilaire, were both from Hermit mares. But now with the great Pommern in evidence, the double occurrence of Hermit's daughter, Distant Shore, in the pedigree of Pommern will make English breeders dispute whether she or the repeated Hampton blood is responsible for Pommern's class. It has to be remembered that this same mare, Distant Shore, was the dam of St. Hilaire and the second dam of Cyllene. Both Hampton and Hermit are Touchstones in tail male, and this is the virile line that has produced Domino and his descendants in America. On the sire side Honeywood is a Stockwell."

Tia Juana will open not later than April 15.

CAPTAIN TIMMIS WRITES OF THE ENGLISH ARMY HORSE.

The question of the future supply of horses for army use, both in the cavalry and the artillery, has never been quite so important to so many people as at this time. Here in America we have been supplying thousands of horses and mules to the warring nations of Europe at the expense of our own forces, as was so thoroughly demonstrated a few days ago by the delay caused in starting the Villa punitive expedition into Mexico, while in the European nations at war horses have been recruited from racing stables and hunting fields in very large numbers. England, like America, is trying to find a way out through government participation in horse breeding, both countries being "open to pursuasion" and neither at this moment being able to arrive at a satisfactory conclusion in the matter. The following interesting consideration of conditions from various angles is contained in a letter recently written to the editor of our English contemporary, Horse and Hound, by a gentleman well known in this country through a considerable term of residence in Canada as well as through his numerous contributions to the press and his most enjoyable book, "Modern Horse Management":

Sir: Horse-lovers have been much interested of late in one problem that faces the government—namely, that of the future supply of horses for army purposes. I think I can safely say that all those who have studied this problem from a practical and common-sense point of view fully realize that it is an extremely serious one. For some time the government seemed undecided as to what action to take. Many horsemen advocated state stud-farms, while the majority were against such a measure, on account of the expenses involved and also the risk. There would be no fear of the latter if the government insisted on experts being employed to handle the whole business. We cannot afford to waste money, but we can afford to spend it with proper discretion.

In the past paltry sums of money have been granted towards horse-breeding, as if this industry were of minor consideration, instead of one of the most important. A little over a year ago the dye industry required money for the purpose of erecting new plants, and the government provided one million out of the two millions required towards this object. Is not the horse question worthy of some such consideration? It is not only the future of the remount supply that is involved, but the future of the horse industry of the British Isles; one that will bring in fortunes to the treasury. Some of the sporting papers have suggested that if only a quarter of that sum (£1,000,000) could be devoted to horse production it would be well. But why only a quarter? And how will any such money be disposed of? After some indecision the government accepted that most generous gift of Colonel Hall Walker, and we have now an embryonic stud farm. Surely the purpose of such a stud is not primarily to produce remounts, but thoroughbred stock from which to breed remounts. After nearly a year's experience in France, and although mostly in the front line, I can but agree with most of your writers regarding the high value of the thoroughbred for cavalry and even artillery work. The thoroughbred is always game, while the coarse-bred, when cold, is almost as bad as a mule. The heavier breeds of horse are often no better. I refer to times when guns and wagons become quagmired. How often have I not seen even an officer's charger temporarily put into harness to save the situation! I have frequently wondered if such horses, when flying over ditch and dale on a day when running was fast, ever anticipated that they would be used for a sport more noble than the chase—that of war. The British thoroughbred is a wonder. But if the unsporting Radicals who cry down racing and hunting do not soon realize that they are endangering our future existence we shall have no thoroughbreds left to breed from. I would like them to hear what Thomas Atkins has to say about them over in Flanders. It was a lucky day for our army when the tide turned in the hunting-field in favor of the thoroughbred. We owe a very great deal to the Hunters' Improvement Society.

The Board of Agriculture's Premium System will require to be greatly enlarged. Stallion fees will require to be reduced, and suitable mares only should be served. Successful horse-breeding can only be assured by scientific mating and rearing. As Sir John Robinson reminded us a short time ago, the vast improvement in thoroughbred stock in the last ten years has been due to scientific mating, breeding and rearing. It is therefore extremely important that farmers be instructed in modern methods of breeding and rearing young stock. To quote Sir Merrik Burrell's words from a letter of his in Horse and Hound of January 23, 1915, "Two-thirds of the profitless and bad horses about were not born so, but have been made so by stupidity, ignorance and neglect on the part of their breeders." One has only to visit the Front to corroborate these remarks, let alone those horses that were "turned down" by the A.V.D.

How can we then make it worth while for the farmer to breed army horses? It is clear that he will have to be our largest source of supply in peace time. The answer is that we never will until we raise the price paid for a remount at four years of age. At present only misfits are sold to the army. No farmer is going to breed horses as a hobby, and he certainly cannot make a sure living by selling them at £40. The British farmer is not a fool. When war comes he and his family will give up their lives, but in peace time he must not be blamed if he finds stock-rearing more profitable than remount-rearing. And far less skill is required for the former.

If something is not done—and done soon—to assist in keeping hunting going throughout the country we shall find the horse industry permanently crippled. Grants should be given on a large scale, and all possible taxes on hounds, etc., removed. What would we have done in this war but for the thousands of hunters impressed by the army? And they are the very best horses we have. And what about the 10,000 hunting-men that are now with the colors? And is there any school in the world better for man or horse, to train him and keep him in condition, to fit him for war, than the hunting-field? And do not let us forget that it is such sport as this that makes a nation. It would be a sorry day for the British Empire if the anti-racing and anti-hunting men controlled Parliament. And what about racing? Why should that not continue more normally now—merely to bring back thoroughbred horse breeding to its normal activity? The excuse that it keeps men away from enlisting is absurd. The time has long passed for talking about "persuasion."

Your obedient servant,
R. S. TIMMIS (Captain).
British Expeditionary Force, France, February 9th.

KENTUCKY SPRING AND SUMMER DATES.

The Kentucky State Racing Commission held its first meeting of the present year on Monday of this week at Louisville, the especial purpose of the session being the determining of dates for the spring and summer racing over which they exercise control. Sixty-two days in all are provided for, distributed as follows:

Lexington twelve days, April 27 to May 10.
Churchill Downs thirteen days, May 13 to May 27.
Douglas Park thirteen days, May 29 to June 12.
Latonia twenty-four days, June 14 to July 11.

It is a safe bet right now that the alibi crop in the Derby is going to be a good one, as it is to be run on May the thirteenth, the first day of a thirteen day meeting. Now if there happens to be thirteen starters a superstitious man will be afraid to put a bet on any horse at any odds.

The Lower California Jockey Club was so fortunate in securing the services of Harry Morrisey as starter at its inaugural meeting that it was hoped by horsemen and public that he would continue in that capacity when the track reopens next month. Numerous eastern engagements preclude this as a possibility, however, so President Coffroth made another selection that is meeting with general approbation, Edward Tribe of Arlington, Virginia, having been engaged to handle the gate when racing is resumed. Mr. Tribe is one of the best known among starters in the east and the presence of himself and other officials of like excellent repute will add much to the excellence of the racing and the consequent popularity of the plant.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

TROUT SEASON OPENS MAY FIRST.

Attention of the anglers of California is called to the new State fishing regulations that go into effect this year. They set forth a change in the opening of the trout season. In years gone by the bars were let down in some districts on April 1st, but this year it will not be until May 1st over practically the whole State. J. S. Hunter, assistant executive officer of the Fish and Game Commission, says there is some confusion on the point and an effort will be made to set anglers right.

The one exception to the general opening on May 1st is in District 23, which comprises the watersheds of the Truckee river and Lake Tahoe. It opens a month later there. July 31st is the date of the angling for golden trout.

Prospects are for a banner trout season once it gets under way. There has been plenty of water and trout have been thriving. Earl Downing of Pleasanton was in San Francisco for a visit during last week and is enthusiastic over conditions in his territory and the surrounding country. The season will undoubtedly be late in the Sierra Nevadas and the mountainous country, which was visited by so much snow, but the fish have been doing nicely, according to all reports.

The Fish and Game Commission moved into more specious office quarters in the new Call building on Monday and will issue licenses and transact its business there.

SHOOTERS IMPROVE WITH AGE.

The story published recently about "Uncle Joe" Hineman, of Wausau, Wis., and other venerable gentlemen who have passed the four score years' mark and who keep young and healthy by going to the traps and mingling with the boys, has been the means of uncovering a few more veterans who though well along in years can yet pulverize the clay targets in such a manner as to win the respect of the younger generation.

Uncle Joe has just turned his ninety-first birthday and he knocks over the "clay birds" twice a week at the Wausau Club. He is the oldest living trapshooter and is proud of the honor. He is more interested in the sport now than he was 20 years ago.

John Meunier, of Wilwaukee, Wis., is 82 years of afe, and he asserts he is the best shot with either rifle or shot gun of any man of his age in the United States. How this is going to be proved is beyond us but some of the Wisconsin folk might suggest a match between "Uncle Joe" and "Uncle John" to take place at one of the Wisconsin tournaments this summer. Such a meeting would attract no end of attention.

Meunier was born in Woerishofen, Germany, and when he was 12 years of age he was regarded as the best sharpshooter in Germany. Meunier's father and grandfather before him were schutzenfest kings and the medals they received, and those he won 69 years ago, are still in his possession. Meunier came to America 60 years ago and opened a gun shop in Milwaukee. He continued his practice and taught many who have since become famous as experts.

Before he closed the shop Meunier had won 70 medals in local and national tournaments and any numbers of silver trophies. In the national schutzenfest tournament in Chicago in 1866 he won first prize—a sterling silver trophy, $500 in cash and a solid gold watch. While he pays no attention to business these days Meunier still goes to the traps and he is always willing to meet men much his junior to demonstrate his ability with the gun.

Norwalk, Ohio, boasts of a 73-year-old "boy shooter," in the person of Leroy Burton. Leroy is the best shot in Norwalk. Any time any one disputes his title he takes them to the traps and convinces them of his right to the honor. Burton conducts a shooting gallery but he likes "clay pigeon bustin' " better than anything else.

On November 25, 1913, "young" Burton celebrated his 70th birthday. In honor of the occasion he closed the gallery and hiked to the traps of Norwalk Gun Club. He fired at 100 targets and broke 95 of them. He won all the prizes that were offered. 95 breaks in 100 thrown is a nifty score at any time and all the more remarkable when made by a man in the 70's. For thirty years Burton has been firing at the "clay boys." He broke in at Sandusky, O., with a borrowed gun. After paying his bills he had $26 in cash, a gold watch, a case of wine and a rug. This haul convinced Burton that he could shoot—and he has been shooting ever since—and he hopes to continue shooting for many more years. He thinks pretty well of his ability to break the blue rocks and is always willing to "take a chance."

Toronto, Can., boasts of three veterans who are wonderful shots for their years. Williams Bowls, 88 years, recently bagged three deer in one afternoon's hunting. This proves that Mr. Bowls can shoot. John Maughan and James Douglass are the other two. They will always go better than 80 per cent. at the traps. J. B. Williams of Louisville, Ky., is 80 years of age, but he seldom misses a shoot of the Louisville Gun Club. A. N. Thornburg, of Mason City, Ia., is another who has turned the 80 year mark and who can still "bust" the targets or bring down the game. Dr. O. R. Britton, of Indianapolis, Ind., never misses a trapshoot of any importance in his home city, and can generally be found among the winners despite his 74 years.

Age doesn't seem to dim the eyesight of any of these men and they keep young, healthy and active by mixing with younger men and women at the traps| It is a wholesome sport—trapshooting.

"KING OF DOG STEALERS."

There is great rejoicing in English dogdom. William Cook, known as the "King of Dog Stealers," has at last been put behind the prison bars. Cook followed his nefarious "profession" for a period of more than fifty years and many were the shekels he reaped from it.

Hardly a day passes in which the English newspapers, and American too for that matter, do not have at least a half dozen advertisements seeking to recover "lost dogs." Generous rewards are usually offered for the return of these animals. The expert thief, and such was Cook, waits until the reward has been increased to a figure to make it worth his while and then surrenders his spoil, being assured beforehand that "no questions will be asked."

Various means are employed to lure valueable dogs away from their owners. The modern dog snatcher is usually provided with a decoy dog and some specially prepared meat. A few years ago a notorious thief of this type was arrested in Leeds. A huge pocket was found sewn into his coat which contained several pieces of liver that had been boiled in aniseed.

The traffic in stolen dogs has assumed such porportions that there is a regular exchange of these animals between the larger cities of Europe and America.

COURSING MEET AT GALT.

Sweet Alice of Sacramento, entered by A. G. Cases, won the first prize in the Buffalo Coursing Club's meet at Galt Sunday afternoon a week ago. Lodi Maid of Lodi was second, and Wild Rose of Galt finished third.

The meet was a big success and was enjoyed by a large crowd. The ground was good, and the sport was excellent. Another meet will be held in a few weeks.

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Patrick Carroll of Mayhews Station, where he has lived for forty-seven years, came to Secramento the other day as has been his custom. He came to assist in celebrating St. Patrick's Day. Carroll is 80 years old and he celebrated his birthday along with those who celebrated St. Patrick's Day.

Carroll is an enthusiastic coursing sportsman. He had a fast dog, "Mayhew Boy," entered in the coursing meet at Franklin Sunday.

"I haven't missed a coursing meet in forty-seven years," said Carroll, "and I'm not going to miss any in the near future. I've a dog that'll make the other hounds jump to beat him."

Carroll is hale and hearty at the age of eighty. It is his belief that his splendid health and longevity are due principally to his having been born on St. Patrick's Day, for he has noticed that if he lives to see St. Patrick's Day, he has always lived the whole year out.

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Much enthusiasm is being taken in the rabbit drive to be held near Arbuckle, in Colusa county, Thursday, April 6th, under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce.

A. L. Hobbs, of San Francisco, a large land owner, is chairman of the committee in charge. Invitations are being sent to other towns.

In connection with the rabbit drive, the chamber of commerce is arranging for a banquet and a get-together meeting at the Hotel Ash on the evening of April 5th. There will be speakers from out of town.

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Breeder and Sportsman:—

Enclosed is a copy of our new booklet entitled "Trapshooting Leagues." As you know, the policy of the Interstate Association has long been one of encouragement to leagues, because it is a well known fact in trapshooting as in other sports, that participation in and enjoyment from the game reaches the most satisfactory point in well organized and conducted leagues.

Hoping you will announce this booklet through your columns and make known the fact that a copy will be sent free upon request to any one interested, and with kindest regards, I am

Yours very truly,

T. E. DOREMUS,

Manager Sporting Division, Du Pont Co.

ALONG KENNEL ROW.

At the annual meeting of the A. K. C., Mr. Belmont resigned and Mr. H. H. Hunnewell was elected president and Messrs. Bloodgood and Willets vice-presidents. The two new directors are Dr. DeMund and Mr. Sinnott.

All these gentlemen take an active interest in the management of the club and it is beginning to look as if they are to have a real governing body.

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Mr. Charles Heffernan, Stockton, Cal., one of the Pacific Coast's best Airedale judges, writes: "I have a young bitch I am getting ready to show which I think can top the lot. She is by Ch. Baughfell Briar ex Dotty D. by Ch. El Sur Roseben and is one of the best I ever saw."

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Mr. H. B. Hungerford of Chicago has been selected to judge all breeds at Seattle Kennel Club show to be held March 30-31 and April 1. His selection will without doubt meet with approval by all dog fanciers in the Northwest.

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Victoria, B. C., Kennel Club will hold its show April 5, 6 and 7, and Portland, Ore., expects to hold one immediately following. Vancouver, B. C., will hold theirs May 24, 25 and 26.

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Fred Baum of Bellingham, Wash., well known as a breeder of bulldogs in his own section, who was compelled to give up his kennel of bulldogs for some time on account of bad health, is again back on the job and working with renewed vigor to out-do his previous record in raising the short-nosed ones.

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High honors went to the Southern Californians in Boston's. Mr. Freeman Ford's recent purchase, Arroyo Anarchist, walked away with everything in sight in the Boston classes both at New York and Philadelphia. At both shows Anarchist won best either sex and he has now all his championship points and several to spare. Meantime he remains at stud in the East.

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The winning bulldog at the New York show was Mr. Horrax' Toll Bar Jack, with Mr. Minturn's Lord Brilliant in reserve. The latter gentleman's Oak Nana annexed best of the opposite sex, with the former's recently imported Chestnut Ginger in reserve—turn about is fair play. As the awards at New York generally put the hall mark of fame upon the specimen, it is now Toll Bar Jack; hail to the chief

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Mr. Hardebeck, the owner of that fine Airedale Letrim Storm Prince that took all the ribbons in the 1915 show, will enter him in the spring show and thinks he will again show the fancy the way to go to the front. If he enters the show ring in as good shape as he did last year it will take a good one to beat him.

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Anna R. Judd of the Melita kennels of Maltese terriers recently imported the splendid little English Champion Maltese terrier, Champion Impy. This grand little fellow is a son of the famous undefeated English Champion Snow Cloud of Esperance, and a grandson of Normacot Lassie, and the celebrated Major Mite, the latter considered the handsomest Maltese ever produced, carrying a coat twenty-eight inches from tip to tip.

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Mrs. Judd also owns Normacot Camille, the only brood matron daughter of Major Mite in the United States.

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Major Mite and Snow Cloud are both dead, and the offspring from these dogs are very valuable.

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Mrs. Judd won the premier honors at the P.-P. I. E. show last fall.

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The winning Airedale bitch, Mountain View Countess, owned by James G. Keefe, was sold to Mrs. A. F. Sharp of Oak Park, Ill. Countess will await at Pasadena, where she has been since the L. K. A. show there, until she is bred to Rebounds Revival, and then shipped East. Her kennel mate, Mt. View Caprice, was bought the previous week by Mr. Bourget of South Pasadena. She will also be bred to Mr. Olker's dog and then taken on to Idaho by her new owner.

ARRESTED FOR ILLEGAL FISHING.

Deputy Fish and Game Commissioner Richard Squire, in conjunction with Deputy Heacock, arrested W. G. Leonard and William Rhoebacher for illegal fishing at Paradise Cut on Monday of last week, and had, at the time he left, seized forty-odd nets with a lot more in prospect. Paradise Cut is in the third district and the use of nets there is barred.

The officer further states that if properly protected, this place will develop into an "angler's paradise," and that a special effort will be made to stop abuses in all closed districts.

Mr. Squire brought home a quantity of fine catfish and a catfish skinning bee was held in the rear of Henderson Brothers' store. "Chubby" Williams was in charge, and a number of entrants with as many systems, demonstrated their various abilities. None of them, however, came up to the class of the game commissioner, who easily walked off with the honors.

Sportsmen's Row

Mrs. Roy Avery has taken up the "sport alluring." She was out to the Golden Gate traps during the week for the first time and had the satisfaction of breaking 20 out of 50. Mrs. Avery gives promise of giving her popular husband a contest with a little more practice.

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The Golden Gate Club insists on keeping Alameda on the trapshooting map.

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Secretary Fred Hillyer of the Alameda Elks is working like a Trojan to make a success of the baby gun club. Keep it up, Fred.

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It was good for sore eyes to see our old friend Charley Breidenstein helping out last Sunday.

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Clarence A. Haight must enjoy each working hour. Very few shooters could exhibit "Pop's" patience in running a shoot.

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One of the pretty features of the season so far is the number of new faces that are showing up at the traps. All the old timers like to see beginners breaking in.

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Ted Riley's first shoot at the traps since last season shows that what you learn as a boy cannot easily be forgotten. Some shooting, Ted.

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The Golden Gate Club should make the new grounds a preserve, said President Frank Newbert of the Fish and Game Commission, when he heard of the herd of Elks that were roaming around a couple of weeks ago.

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There's only one fault been found with the grounds and that has been registered by Jack Nelson. The schooners in the estuary bother him. Jack says every time he sees a schooner he wants to drag it across the bar. Oh, you Jack!

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R. C. Reed, the Remington representative, speaks glowingly of the prosperous condition of the trapshooting game in the northwest ,especially at Portland. He went all through the country up there and sees visions of expansion of the sport alluring. Dick was greeted back by devotees of the traps around the bay for he is a booster and one of the finest shots who aims at the tarhawks.

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Mrs. Ida Schilling is making a hit with her high-class shooting at Portland. Mrs. Schilling weighs but ninety pounds but she handles a gun with rare skill.

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While pumping out the Union mine in the vicinity of Banner hill, near Grass Valley, a few days ago a trout 10 inches in length was found in the water that came through the column pipe. How the fish ever got into the mine is a question, but it is believed that at some time the ditch overflowed and went into the mine shaft and that the trout went along with it.

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Governor R. L. Williams of Oklahoma has issued a proclamation announcing that Friday, April 14, shall be "bird day" in that state, and calling upon the teachers of all schools and the people generally to befittingly observe the day.

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A most interesting sight is now being witnessed at the Meek dam, in San Lorenzo creek, California. Scores of fine salmon trout are trying to leap over the barriers at this dam, in order to reach the upper waters to spawn. The fish ladder has been put out of commission, but the trout are given every opportunity to reach the headquarters. There are many ten and twenty pounders among the fish leaping over the barricade and the spectacle is attracting large audiences.—American Field.

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Herman Zastrow of Merrill, Wis., caught a large black fox in a trap a few days ago. The fox was almost entirely black and the hide, no doubt, will bring a considerable sum of money. The market price of black fox skins is said to run as high as $2,000 according to quality and color.

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There will be a big jackrabbit drive March 26th in the southern part of San Joaquin county. Throughout the whole county the rabbits are doing much damage to crops. In the south San Joaquin they have destroyed some of the sugar beet stands and it is feared they will damage the beans and corn unless action be taken at once by the farmers. The Ripon farm bureau center and the Manteca center, along with the Nile Garden farmers, are planning the drive and Ed Powers is in charge of arrangements. A small drive was carried out as an experiment a few weeks ago and 500 rabbits were killed. It is expected that fully 5,000 rabbits will be killed this time. Everyone is invited to join in the big drive, and it is expected that many people will go out, as this is closed season for practically all hunting except jackrabbits. No revolvers or rifles will be allowed. Shotguns must be used.

No immediate decision on the constitutionality of the Federal Migratory Bird Law is likely for the reason that the United States Supreme Court has ordered a reargument of the case, but has fixed no date for the rehearing. The probability is, therefore, that the case will not be reargued during the present term of court, possibly not until next autumn.

To ascribe a reason for this action would be mere conjecture, but it probably means that only six of the nine justices took part in the deliberations and the court was evenly divided on the constitutionality of the law.

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When two-score of sportsmen charter a special train and go to another city some distance away to engage in a team trapshooting contest, especially with the thermometer 12 below zero, they are indeed "gun bugs." But that is what business men of Omaha, Neb., did but a short time ago. They shot against the Wisner, Neb., team, and won by a few targets. The razor-like wind had its effect on the scores, but not on the shooters. Incidentally there was a gallery of 109 persons. It would be difficult to name another sport that would interest 200 persons with the thermometer below the zero mark.

HERMOSA BEACH ROD CLUB MEETS.

Hermosa Beach, Cal.—The Hermosa Beach Rod and Reel Club pulled off a unique entertainment Friday evening, March 3rd. The club engaged a large hall, invited everybody in town to attend and then gave a fine free entertainment, winding up with a dance.

A jointed fishing rod was presented Mrs. Herbert Preston for having caught the largest fish registered by any lady from the Hermosa pier. Four of the members were presented with silver cups for prize catches with light tackle. An interesting and humorous feature of the evening was the burlesque initiation of eight new members . The candidates were seated on the stage on electrically wired chairs and when the president asked those who were willing to contribute $150 each to the purchase of a site for the new town library to rise, the current was turned on and all promptly rose.

For the present year, thirty-five prizes have been offered for record fish, three being open to any lady in the "Beach."

The newly elected officers of the club are as follows: President, H. M. Moran; firse vice-president, E. B. Smith; second vice-president, E. W. Van Deveer; treasurer, V. R. Huddleston; secretary, W. L. Donohugh; chairman tournament committee, B. C. Hibbetts. W. L. DONOHUGH, Sec'y.

PRIVATE GAME FARM HERE.

A. Schilling, a San Francisco spice merchant, together with Adeline C. Shaw, Grant Cardray and Walter Graf are to establish a private game farm, on which a variety of ducks are to be raised at first and later on pheasants and quail. Mr. Schilling and his friends have incorporated under the name of the Arden Game Farm and have received permission from the State Fish and Game Commission of California to raise and market ducks and other game. C. H. Shaw will have charge of the enterprise and the farm will be located on the Schilling place near Newark, Cal. Different varieties of ducks will be purchased from the State farm and from other States and the game farm will endeavor to develop a fancy line of wildfowl. At first they will supply the tables of their friends, but later will raise game for commercial purposes. All game sold from the farm must bear the stamp of approval of the State Fish and Game Commission.

Seattle Association.—Although the rain kept a good part of the bunch at home on March 19th, those shooters that turned out were treated to some fine exhibitions. To say the least, there were some high scores made.

It has been left to C. E. McKelvey, president of the club, to set a new pace for Harbor Island. The Seattle Trapshooters' Association has a just reason to be proud of its president. The fireworks began shortly after the bunch had finished the regular program. McKelvey made a straight run of 100 targets without missing a single bird. The 101st bird came up and was missed, but he then continued on with 74 straight and was in good form to go on through the rest of the day at the same rate. In a little competition shooting Tom Wilkes went through several events with McKelvey and kept up well with him until the last twenty-five birds.

In the regular program of the day Hugh Fleming ran like a house afire, making a 50 straight and then a 47, or a total of 97 targets out of 100. Needless to say Fleming was high score. Matt Grossman stuck next to Fleming, with 47 out of each 50, giving him a total of 94 out of 100.

George Garrison, the only professional on the grounds, knocked 47 out of the 50. Garrison has been laid up with sickness to a great extent for some time and certainly shows up well for an invalid.

The new shooters were in evidence again and made good scores despite their greenness at the game. In N. F. Gay, a new trap man, the Seattle bunch will have somethingg to contend with in the near future. L. S. McIntyre and J. J. Hubbell were out for the first time this year and showed that they certainly know something about the game. F. K. Kaynor brought out his 20-gauge again and showed up well despite his handicap.

The second part of the Everding handicap was pulled off in the regular program of fifty yards. Next Sunday will see the finish of this 150 handicap event and decide the owner of the gold pin presented to the club by Mr. Everding of Portland, Ore. Scores:

Fifty targets—

M. Grossman 47, A. E. Drake 43, H. S. Searle 39, J. H. Hopkins 43, G. M. Valentine 31, Hugh Fleming 50, Mr. Cochran 27, Dr. King 47, M. James 28, A. J. Gerrard 39, K. S. Lapp 28, George Garrison 47, Fred Landwehr 42, C. W. Bandy 38, J. D. Kesner 34, I. J. Wright 23, V. G. Kesner 36, Tom Wilkes 42, C. E. McKelvey 44, W. B. Taft 33, G. H. Young 43, C. C. Ward 40, N. F. Gay 28, Dr. Burt 35, F. K. Kaynor 35, L. S. McIntyre 22, J. J. Hubel 20.

Those shooting 100 targets—Mat Grossman 94, J. H. Hopkins 80, G. M. Valentine 72, Hugh Fleming 97, Fred Landwehr 84, C. W. Bandy 69, Tom Wilkes 86, C. E. McKelvey 90, W. B. Taft 78, Dr. Burt 65.

William Schilpin and J. Morris took part in the program, but did not shoot the regular program.

Dr. Burt, C. E. McKelvey, Tom Wilkes, Fred Landwehr, W. B. Taft, J. H. Hopkins, L. S. McIntyre and F. K. Kaynor shot in several special events after the regular program.

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Tacoma Club.—The Tacoma Gun Club held its regular shoot March 19th with a small attendance owing to a steady downpour of rain. A. Riehl won the Mellinger gold medal and also the White Flyer fob. F. F. Baker won the Majestic Cafe trophy. Four men, Griffin, Bates, Dague and Baker, tied for the high average on the Everding diamond stick pin. J. A. Dague won the Challenge cup from N. Aubrey. The following scores were made out of 50 birds, with added bird handicap for the Mellinger medal:

	Broke.	Hdcp.	Total.
Riehl	45	5	50
Bales	41	7	48
Baker	33	15	48
L. Riehl	42	6	48
Young	46	1	47
Mellinger	35	12	47
Aubrey	44	1	45
Griffin	33	10	43
Dague	36	6	42

Scores on Majestic Cafe trophy, 100 birds, added bird handicap—

	Broke.	Hdcp.	Total.
Baker	76	21	97
A. Riehl	89	5	94
Griffin	75	19	94
L. Riehl	85	8	93
Young	85	6	91
Dague	77	14	91
Aubrey	88	3	91
Bales	80	10	90
Mellinger	59	25	84

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Fresno to Shoot.—There is going to be a registered shoot at Fresno on April 28th as part of Raisin Day celebration, according to Clarence A. Haight. The Fresno blue rock busters are already booming things along and they will unquestionably attract an entry of shooters from all sections of the State.

HUNT FOR MOUNTAIN LIONS.

Deputy Fish and Game Commissioner John J. Barnett of Ventura county is framing up a big mountain lion hunt for this spring, and will stage it on some of the big ranches of that section where there is a chance of getting on terms with several of the big cats.

Barnett is a keen hunter, and, like most such, is death on vermin of all sorts. He thinks one great weakness of our game-preservation program is that we do not pay enough attention to cleaning out the vermin, which are at work all the time, and obey no laws except their own appetites.

Many men and a lot of "varmint dogs" are to take part in Barnett's big lion hunt, which bids fair to prove about the biggest thing in a sporting way that has been pulled off in that section for years.

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Members of the Buffalo Coursing Club have announced that a coursing meet will be held under the auspices of the club at Franklin on Sunday, April 2d. Dogs from all parts of northern California will be entered in the meet. The date of the closing of the entries has not been fixed. The officials of the meet, transportation arrangements to the grounds, etc., will be announced later.

Joe Coughlin, member of the Buffalo Club, declared that he is willing to bet from $50 to $500 that Samparlel, a dog owned by John Cases, can beat Oakland Girl, the hound that won the meet held at Franklin last Sunday under the auspices of the Capital City Coursing Club.

BASS AT SAN PABLO BAY.

Striped bass are once again reported running in San Pablo Bay. Several parties were out during the week and made catches of some big bass. There is the old trouble, however, of oil in the bay spoiling the fish for the table. The Fish and Game Commission has been trying to enforce the law relative to permitting oils and acids to be emptied in the waters but they are up against many handicaps in bringing about arrests.

New Trap-Shooting Clubs Enter Field

ELKS MAY ORGANIZE LEAGUE ON THE PACIFIC COAST

Golden Gate Club.—Sixty-six faced the traps Sunday at Alameda for the opening monthly shoot of the Golden Gate Club. The weather was threatening but this did not dampen the enthusiasm of the large gathering on hand.

The regular three events, the club race of twenty birds, grub stakes of 10 birds and the challenge trophy of 20 birds, were contested with some very good scores in evidence. The veteran Toney Prior came through high amateur with a score of 48 breaks out of 50 targets. W. A. Landry was a bang-up second with 47x50. Other creditable scores were N. A. Howard 46x50, Capt. Barney Worthen 45x50, H. D. Swales 44x50, F. D. Riley 43x50, H. Brickell 43x50 and Billy Price 42x50.

Dick Reed was consistent as usual in the professional ranks, missing only one out of 50. C. H. Knight scored 48, Al Cook 47 and W. Willet 47. Hugh Poston was around greeting friends after a highly successful tour of the northwest and busted 46.

There was some close competition in the club race, Prior, E. Hoelle, F. D. Riley and N. A. Howard getting 19 out of 20. H. D. Swales and W. A. Landry tied with 20 straight in the challenge trophy.

It was pleasing to see two fair trap-shooting enthusiasts in the competition. Mrs. A. G. Wilkes showed a deal of skill in breaking 33 and her score would have been considerably better save for getting only two birds out of the grub race. Miss Meyers made the smoke fly out of 28. The club's next regular shoot is scheduled for April 17th. The scores last Sunday were:—

Events—	Club.		Challenge.		Grub.	
	10	10	10	10	10	Bke.
*C. A. Haight	8	7	9	9	9	42
*J. A. Cook	9	10	9	10	9	47
A. M. Yearhart	5	6	8	8	6	33
Miss G. J. Meyers	5	6	9	7	3	28
E. T. Prior	4	7	5	6	4	26
*J. W. F. Moore	7	8	8	5	4	30
Frank Webster	9	6	6	8	6	35
*R. C. Reed	9	10	10	10	10	49
J. G. Heath	9	8	10	8	8	43
*W. R. Ellis	8	7	8	8	4	35
Toney Prior	9	10	10	9	10	48
B. H. Worthen	8	9	10	9	9	45
E. Hoelle	9	10	7	7	8	41
H. D. Swales	7	8	10	10	9	44
F. D. Riley	9	10	8	8	8	43
W. E. Cooley	6	6	9	10	9	40
G. W. Thomas	6	8	10	7	6	37
Dr. E. Topham	7	9	8	7	8	39
P. Swenson	5	8	8	8	7	36
A. E. Stansberger	8	7	8	8	10	41
F. K. Burnham	8	7	7	9	6	37
H. Brickell	8	9	9	7	10	43
*C. H. Knight	10	8	10	8	10	48
E. L. Forester	5	7	7	7	7	33
J. W. Dorsey	8	8	7	7	8	38
C. A. Morrill	8	8	8	8	6	38
F. W. Parsons	7	4	6	8	5	30
F. Blum	6	9	7	10	6	38
Jones Dewight	5	5	8	8	..	26
W. H. Price	8	9	9	9	7	42
W. H. L. Hynes	7	5	7	7	7	33
C. Westerfeld	8	6	8	6	7	35
Dr. Best	9	9	8	9	6	41
E. G. Williams	6	6	6	6	7	31
George Hickman	5	6	5	5	5	26
H. R. Phinney	8	9	8	8	7	40
H. Stelling	9	7	9	5	7	37
W. J. Terry	6	7	7	8	9	37
*O. N. Jones	7	6	7	5	7	32
*M. O. Feudner	9	6	9	9	6	39
N. A. Howard	9	10	9	9	9	46
*H. Poston	8	9	10	9	8	44
*L. Hawxhurst	9	10	9	8	9	45
W. Willet	8	10	10	9	10	47
S. Houser	3	..	3	..	7	13
J. Nelson	8	..	7	..	5	20
A. Korn	5	7	4	7	5	28
A. H. Beetham	7	9	6	8	5	35
J. Jennings	7	6	8	3	6	30
Pete Ashcroft	8	5	6	10	10	39
A. W. DuBray	7	8	7	8	6	36
P. R. Skinner	7	..	4	..	4	15
T. W. Brown	5	2	4	6	8	25
F. Miller	4	3	8	7	5	27
J. Schriber	6	5	3	2	6	22
L. L. Fuller	4	3	2	5	4	18
*E. Stressler	7	8	7	5	6	33
H. G. Meincke	7	3	5	6	4	25
R. E. McGill	9	7	7	9	9	41
Wm. Wheeler	6	8	8	7	6	33
J. H. Jones	8	8	7	9	5	37
Dr. McGettigan	8	8	8	9	8	41
A. G. Wilkes	6	10	7	7	7	37
Landry	9	9	10	10	9	47
Mrs. A. G. Wilkes	6	8	9	8	2	33

*Professionals.

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Stockton Gun Club.—Officers of the Stockton Gun Club were elected at a meeting held in the county clerk's office. They are planning shoots with neighboring cities and also intend to secure a banner shoot for Stockton this year. The officers elected were: Eugene Graham, president; J. R. Ross, secretary; G. E. Ellis, treasurer, and J. W. Fitzgerald, field captain. The directors elected were Henry Lonjers, H. G. Balkwill and George Ellis.

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Portland Club.—A number of members of the Portland Gun Club attended the first quarterly meeting of the association in the Imperial. The dates of the two big trapshooting tournaments were discussed, as was the advisability of staging the two events during the same week.

Eleven members were added to the club books. They are K. K. Kubli, J. D. Platt, J. D. Platt Jr., L. S. Beeson, W. A. Shaner, C. C. Wright, H. W. Robare, B. F. Leonard, C. J. Schilling and A. W. Strowger Jr. The following ladies were unanimously elected: Mrs. E. H. Keller, Miss Gladys Reid and Mrs. Ada Schilling.

Following are the scores made March 15th in the 20-bird events:

D.F. Allen, shot at 100, broke 87; H. Derrick 100—87, P. Wade 150—116, J. K. Simpson 100—73, O. D. Thornton 100—88, George Bertz 100—62, H. B. Critchlow 75—40, J. W. Seavey 100 96, W. B. Honeyman 100—96, W. Crew 100—73, H. E. Poston 100—94, R. A. Leith 50—31, J. P. Bull 100—98, H. R. Everding 100—87, Earl R. Goodwin 100—81, P. J. Holohan 100—97, E. H. Keller 125—110, F. Templeton 100—80.

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Oakland Elks Form Club.—At an enthusiastic meeting of members of the Oakland Elks Lodge No. 171 Monday night a blue rock club was organized. Fred Miller was elected president and Harry Newton secretary. Plans were discussed for holding the opening shoot on April 2nd, the first Sunday of the month.

The Oakland gunners are being assisted by Dick Reed in getting the new club started. They responded readily to the suggestion of Bill Ellis of the Alameda Lodge that the Elks about the bay get busy and have some friendly competition at the traps. Bill pointed out that baseball, bowling and the like have been fought out by the rival brothers and a good opportunity was being offered through trap-shooting. Alameda and Oakland will now try and interest San Francisco, Berkeley and Richmond Elks to put teams in the field so that a trap-shooting league can be promoted. The boys should have a lot of fun out of the sport.

The Alameda Elks got started a couple of weeks ago and had one big time. Many of the members had never before sighted a blue rock and they were quick to appreciate the pleasure and recreation in the game.

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Utah State Shoot.—A. P. Bigelow of Ogden on March 17th won the high average in the registered tournament of the Utah State Sportsmen's Association held under the auspices of the Ogden Gun Club. Bigelow registered 147 breaks on 150 targets, incidentally making long runs of 84 and 51. E. J. Morgan of Salt Lake won the high average for professionals, breaking 146 out of 150 and breaking the first 105 targets straight. The complete results of the shoot were as follows:

Shooters	Class.	Broke.
*Cummings	..	143
Bain	C	116
M. Browning	C	121
G. L. Becker	A	142
Asher Cowan	A	134
*Morgan	..	146
Reilley	A	145
Mitchell	B	130
Nelson	A	144
G. Browning	A	135
*Hood	..	137
Murphy	B	128
Stoney	B	130
Skeen	B	138
*Anderson	..	132
A. Becker	B	127
J. Browning	C	118
S. Browning	A	135
Bigelow	A	147
*McGaney	..	97
Packard	C	114
Draney	B	127
Riter	B	133
Williams	C	125

*Professionals, not eligible to competition for trophies.

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Shoot at Saratoga.—An erratic trap, high wind and dull light combined last Saturday in cutting down the scores of trapshooters at the Saratoga Blossom festival. R. C. Reed of San Francisco made high score of the day, leading both professionals and amateurs, breaking 89 out of 100, Feudner being second in the professional class with 84; Ellis got 79, Moore 64 and O. N. Jones 57.

In the amateur class Ford led with 85, C. H. Nash was second with 84, G. H. Anderson 81, C. R. Arques 79, R. C. Hogg 78 and Dr. Heidelberg 76.

Standing of the San Jose Blue Rock Club, 1916 averages on 200 shots: C. R. Arques 192, George H. Anderson 189, A. F. Baumgartner 184, C. H. Nash 183, Dr. Heidelberg 180. Class B on 100 shots—W. J. McKagney 90, E. C. Stamper 80, E. W. Jack 79, Leo Thornton 62.

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Vernon Gun Club.—The Los Angeles Gun Club came back, Champion Gotch did likewise, and so did C. E. Groat, the Vernon Gun Club's president, winning his initial leg on Billy Wilshire's trophy, when it was placed up for competition at the Vernon Club Sunday morning at fifty targets, distance handicaps for the twentieth time, by beating F. A. Richter of Minneapolis in the 25-bird shoot-off after the two had tied with forty-four broken birds to their credit.

Richter won his first leg on the prize the previous Sunday and shoots from twenty yards. Groat has been pegging along since the prize was put up, always hopeful of winning some day, and the old saying proved true, "All things come to him who waits."

Groat shoots from sixteen yards and had that much advantage on Richter. The two lined up for the shoot-off and the race was close throughout to the last bird. Groat broke twenty-two and Richter twenty-one.

Louis Mellus breezed in at the last minute and took a fling at the handicap from twenty yards, but succeeded in breaking only thirty-four birds.

Bob Bole, well known pump and rimmer manufacturer, and erratic in the trap-shooting game, broke only twenty-eight out of fifty in the open event, but hung up a forty-out-of-fifty score in the handicap event.

Following are the scores in both events:

Wilshire event of fifty targets—

Shooter—	Hdcp.	Bke.	Targ.
J. F. Dodds	20	43	50
Famechon	18	39	50
L. D. Forest	18	42	50
White	18	42	50
Bole	16	40	50
Peterson	17	37	50
Manderville	16	43	50
Dierdoff	17	36	50
Evans	18	38	50
Groat	16	44	50
Pugh	18	38	50
Dougherty	18	39	50
Richter	20	44	50
Stan Bruner	20	43	50
Palmer	16	33	50
T. P. Smith	18	38	50
Meek	18	41	50
Packard	21	40	50
Lou Mellus	19	34	50

Open event at sixteen yards—

Doods, shot at 75, broke 68; Famechon 125—113, L. D. Forest 50—46, White 125—100, Daniels 50—27, Bob Bole 50—28, Peterson 50—38, Cornelius 75—71, Manderville 50—42, Dierdoff 25—23, Peet 25—16, Evans 50—48, Groat 50—38, Mrs. Groat 75—65, Pugh 50—43, Van Nest 75—50, Dougherty 75—69, Norton 75—51, French 25—20, Richter 100—94, Brown 25—20, Stan Bruner 50—47, Palmer 50—18, Jassen 75—38, Dressen 25—16, Sutke 50—17, T. P. Smith 50—40, Hahn 50—16, Meek 50—39, Packard 25—19.

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Salt Lake Club.—With a strong wind blowing, which made good scores hard to get, Charley Reilley led both the professional and amateur clay bird shots at the traps March 19th, by smashing 16 out of 50 targets.

In the handicap shoot, which has been running for the past few weeks, Bray and Heagren tied with 48 points each and it will be necessary for them to shoot the tie off next Sunday.

In addition to breaking the greatest number of birds, Reilley also defended his title to the state association challenge medal by defeating Becker and Riter.

Sunday, March 26, will be the first day for members who have been unable to attend previous shoots to bring their scores up to date.

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Martinez Club.—The Martinez Gun Club will hold its first shoot of the season on the ranch of Fred K. Burnham in the Alhambra valley next Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock. It will be a handicap shoot for a silver cup offered by the club. The organization has accepted challenges from Sacramento and San Jose for meets during the spring.

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Trade Notes.—At the Rodeo Gun Club, Salinas, California, March 12th, O. N. Ford of San Jose was high over all with a score of 99x100, and M. O. Feudner was high professional, 91x100, both using the shells with "steel where steel belongs," Mr. Ford making a run of 75 straight.

At Ogden, Utah, March 17th, E. R. Morgan of Salt Lake City won high professional average, 146x150, using Peters shells.

At the Saratoga Blue Rock Club, Saratoga, Cal., March 18th, high amateur average was won by O. N. Ford of San Jose with score 129x150 and Geo. H. Anderson of San Jose third amateur average, breaking 123. Both of these gentlemen shot Peters shells.

COMING REGISTERED TOURNAMENTS.

California.

Los Angeles, May 8, 9.—Vernon Gun Club, William Pugh, Manager.

San Jose, May 28, 29, 30—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

Eureka, July 4—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President.

Fresno, April 28—Fresno Blue Rock Club.

Oregon.

Portland, June 5, 6, 7—Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, Frank Templeton, Secretary.

Washington.

Chehalis, May 30—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, Gus T. Thacker, President.

Seattle, July 4—"Old Policy," Green Lake Gun Club, W. C. Smith, Secretary

Tacoma, July 18, 19, 20, 21—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary.

PANAMA LURES TARPON FOLLOWERS.

The sport of "a thousand thrills" has charmed connoisseurs in the realm of angling from the days of Simon Peter to Isaac Walton, and from Isaac Walton to our H. D. Snyder, president of the Panama Canal Tarpon Club. Every new year brings its devotees new surprises and new delights. The year 1916 is already presenting the latest in ichthyology—or rather is offering the time-honored sport in brand-new territory. The canal zone of Panama is destined to be known as the new tarpon country. Thousands of ardent rodster-tourists have visited the great canal, and have gone their way all unaware that the gigantic locks, the famous spillway, the tropic streams, the bays, were flaunting before their unseeing vision a siren's lure that would bring them back on annual pilgrimages after the newness of the great engineering feat of the ages has ceased to attract.

For the lure of angling for tarpon is real, and insistent. And 2000 miles is really an insignificant distance for a yacht cruise in quest of the "bucking broncho of the sea." A six-day run on direct steamers from New York, five from New Orlens, brings one from the snow and sleet and rigor of the northern winter to bask gratefully beneath skies aglow and gleaming with the warmth and the magic of Panama. He who in times past has come to the isthmus to escape for a while the rush and the bustle of northern existence, and to view for himself the greatest monument of man's engineering acumen, has been prepared by a bibliography already extensive; but not so well advertised have been the phenomenal attractions of the republic as a hunting country.

Not for long can a land so luxuriant in vegetable and animal life remain obscure. Scientists are studying the flora and fauna of the isthmus, and within the year their reports will reveal some startling surprises regarding our newly acquired territory. Certain it is that none of the famous hunting grounds in the North American continent present such a variety of game to the square mile, or where sportsmen may revel amid surroundings more beautiful, under bluer skies, or where the gorgeous cloud effects are so far beyond compare. For here, in this unbroken expanse of primeval wilderness roam the white-tailed deer, the jaguar, the tapir, the agouti, the porcupine, the mangoe cat, the puma, the ocelot, the collared peccary, the corbina and Spanish mackerel—they are all here, but he best of them is a Satyr to Hyperion compared with the lordly tarpon, that beautiful, wildly-leaping creature of the sea, whose knowledge of aviation and gymnastics has long since placed him in the piscatorial hall of fame. That day is passed when fishermen need cruise 4000 miles for successive seasons to catch tarpon, without getting a single strike. They are in the Charges in dozens, in Gatun lake in hundreds, and the pools below the spillway is their sporting rendezvous. Panama sportsmen have been experiencing all the thrills and joys of game fishing on the isthmus for at least four years. There are occasional let-up days, when they can get away from work, and inasmuch as summer weather and the top o' fishing both continue the whole year through, these breathing spells permit of a fairly regular distribution of happy hours and days for enjoyment of the famous pastime. One common mistake has not been committed, that of overlooking the necessity for suitable provision for the protection and propagation of the fish. On January 27, "the powers that be" issued the following edict, and the vigilance of Uncle Sam will insure its enforcement:

"Effective at once, fishing in the Charges below the spillway at Gatun will be permitted only with a rod and reel, and the use of hand lines, spears, nets, seines, dynamite or other means, is prohibited. Nets and seines may be used, however, for the purpose of obtaining bait. All others than old employees in canal service will be required to have a pass, unless accompanied by an old employee. The superintendent of Gatun locks is authorized to issue passes."

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FORD'S HIGH AVERAGE QUESTIONED.

San Francisco, Cal., Mar. 20, 1916.

Friend Reporter, Breeder and Sporsman:

A short while ago there appeared in one of the dailies and I think in your Breeder and Sportsman, an account of Mr. O. N. Ford being the high average man for California for the year 1915 and also claiming the highest average ever made in California on registered targets.

Now, if you will consult the Interstate Association report for 1915 you will see that J. I. Weisser of National City is the "High Average Man," having made .9685 to O. N. Ford's .9505.

Now, another thing: Some one has referred to the shooters in their write-up as Tar Hawks. The originator of this cognomen used it as a name for the Blue Rocks. He wrote up the Pacific Coast Handicap for one of our San Diego papers. He referred to the shooting grounds as "Dirt Bird Roost" and said that "Down at Dirt Bird Roost if a shooter pointed his Sky Hook right he stopped the flight of the Tar Hawk." Now if you or your friends, and also Mr. O. N. Ford, want to use these expressions, use them in the way that they were originally meant and you won't get in "Dutch."

Yours truly,

SAN DIEGO.

Friend "San Dieg.":

Glad to hear from you. The Breeder and Sportsman welcomes communications pertaining to matters of interest to sportsmen. We stand for the promotion of the best interests of the trap-shooting sport and do our best at all times to boost it along.

We regret to note that you have a grievance. You seem to be gunning for O. N. Ford. You misstate facts, however. O. N. Ford was the high average amateur of California for 1915, as was stated by the Breeder and Sportsman. It is true that J. N. Weisser of National City turned in the creditable average of .9685 but you must consider that Mr. Weisser shot at only 350 targets in registered tournaments. Now, it is a rule of the Interstate Association that a competitor must shoot at 2,000 targets or over in order to secure an average. Mr. Ford achieved his average of .9505 in 2,830 targets. You can readily see that Mr. Ford is entitled to all the honors that have been conferred on him, as Mr. Weisser took his average in only 350 targets.

Relative to making use of the term "Tarhawks," I can only say that the creator would hardly register an objection in others using it. It seems very appropriate to us to label shooters "tarhawks" but if you protest we will in the future be careful and name only the harmless blue rocks as such.

Let us hear from you again, San Diego, and let's all get together and pull for the "sport alluring."

Yours, [Ed.]

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Astoria Club.—The members of the recently organized Astoria Rod and Gun Club held a most enthusiastic meeting at the Chamber of Commerce last week, the main topic of discussion being the new trapshooting grounds to be located near Astoria. The Astoria organization plans to make trap shooting one of the most popular sports in connection with the activities of the club.

After talking over the matter, the club members appointed Nace Grant and Charles Burlingame a committee to secure the grounds for trap-shooting. The grounds will be located as near the city as possible and it is proposed to secure the best equipment for these grounds of any club in the northwestern part of the state. Charles Ungerman and Johnny Merila were named to purchase the traps to be used by the Astoria Rod and Gun Club members.

Keen interest is being displayed in trap shooting and it is thought that many of Astoria's lady sharpshooters will be familiar figures on the club grounds. The club last evening appoined J. Erickson, W. A. Harrison, Jack Bay and Charles Anet on the hunting committee.

Before taking an adjournment until Tuesday evening, March 28th, the members of the Astoria Rod and Gun Club nominated the following honorary members to the organization: A. A. Anderson, Ed. Lapping, J. R. Hinman, Leland R. Gilbert, L. R. McCullough, M. R. Pomeroy, C. W. Loughery, John Larson and W. M. Peters.

The present officers of the local sportsmen's association were nominated to head the newly organized club, and the election will be held at the next meeting. The officers nominated are: Chas. V. Brown, president; Chas. Lankester, 1st vice-president; Chas. Humphreys, 2nd vice-president; Chas. A. Burlingame, 3rd vice-president; Chas. R. Higgins, treasurer; A. W. Kinney, secretary.

Executive committee: C. W. Stewart, chairman; William McMullen, A. J. Reed, Dr. F. Vaughn, Jalmar Erickson, Arthur Grimberg, Enos Burlingame, L. R. Marsh.

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Bass at Tiburon.—The Raccoon Straits have been the scene of striped bass activities for the past couple of weeks. Rodsters have worked along the Angel Island shore and Tiburon with pleasing results. Bass, ranging in size from three to eighteen pounds, have been landed. Experts declare that the striped bass take the spoon better at the last of the flood tide and there is not much use trying at other times.

53,000,000 Fish Liberated In 1915

FISH AND GAME COMMISSION CARRYING ON WORK

While California has today a larger variety of fresh and salt water game and edible fishes than any other state, she is much indebted to the eastern and middle states for a good many of her fishes. California has drawn largely upon nearly every other state having native game and food fishes. She has introduced these fishes either through exchange with other states or through the medium of the United States Bureau of Fisheries.

While it is generally accepted that when the first white man came to this state he found the lakes and streams alive with fish, such is not the case, for they found fish only in the ocean, bays and streams up to the first water falls, and, with a very few exceptions, they were fish of inferior quality. Since then the state and federal governments have introduced many valuable and interesting varieties.

The Hudson river supplied us with our shad, Germany and Japan our carp, New Jersey our striped bass, Mississippi and New Jersey our catfish, Maine the Atlantic salmon, Vermont and Michigan the black bass, Illinois the Warmouth bass, sunfish and crappie; the great lakes the Mackinaw trout, Michigan the loch Leven trout, Illinois gave us the yellow perch, United State Bureu of Fisheries the white fish and brown trout, New Hampshire the Eastern brook trout.

Hundreds of millions of the imported species have been artificially propagated at our hatcheries. They have been planted and transplanted to practically every bit of living water, so that today there is no locality in the civilized world that affords a greater variety of sport than the waters and mountains of California. The national convention of fish and game commissioners at their meeting in San Francisco in 1915 proclaimed California to be twenty years in advance of any state in the Union in the matter of propagation and protection of fish.

Independent or aside from the immense sums derived from our commercial fishes, the aggregate food value of anglers' catches will run into many thousands of dollars. It proves as nothing else can the direct and practical benefit following intelligent fish culture work, for which, in California, the angling and commercial licenses pay all the cost.

In 1915 the State Fish and Game Commission liberated nearly 53,000,000 fish, of which 36,000,000 were salmon, thus benefiting the entire public at the expense of those who buy an angling and commercial fishing license. A steady growth in marine fisheries protective legislation is being made as its needs are better understood.

The striped bass is conceded the most important and most successful of our introductions. They were introduced in 1879. Considering the small number of fish introduced, 885, and their remarkable increase in a few years, the results obtained from the introduction of these fish into California is one of the great feats of acclimitization of fish in the history of fish culture. In 1889 they were on sale in San Francisco markets, and from 1889 to 1892 the number caught and sold increased 250 per cent. Over 2,000,000 pounds of striped bass have been marketed in one season in San Francisco. This does not include the amount sold in other markets. The striped bass is one of the finest food and game fishes in the United States, and if the California Fish and Game Commission had not succeeded in acclimatizing any other variety of fish the value of the striped bass alone would more than repay the people for all the money spent in introducing other species.

The black bass, both large and small mouth, were introduced in 1874. They have thrived in a most remarkable manner. Henshaw, the greatest authority on these fish, states they are the gamest fish that swims. They are to be found in considerable numbers in the lakes, rivers and sloughs of California.

The catfish were introduced from the Mississippi valley and New Jersey in 1874, several species being imported. These were planted in the sloughs and rivers of the Sacramento and San Joaquin. They have increased very rapidly, and for some years we have been exporting dressed catfish to the places from whence they came.

The yellow perch, green sunfish, blue gill sunfish and crappie were introduced in 1891, and again in 1908. They are now to be found in large numbers and are increasing very rapidly.

An imported fish that has thrived in the most remarkable way in our waters, but one whose food value is greatly underestimated in California, is the shad. This fish was introduced in 1891, and has increased until now it is one of the most common and abundant of fishes in our waters. The shad is considered by many piscatorial connoisseurs to be the most delicious of all fish, but the average Californian has yet to find this fact out. The Delaware shad, not one bit superior to the California shad, sell in the Eastern markets at $1 to $1.50 each, yet these fish go begging in this state at 25 cents and less each. The shad are diminishing on the Atlantic coast at an alarming rate.

In an effort to repay the East in some measure for what she has done for California arrangements are now being made whereby the California Fish and Game Commission will repay their debt of many years ago by supplying shad eggs to restock the depleted Eastern waters.

Lack of knowledge in the preparation and cooking of shad is largely responsible for the unpopularity on thiscoast. This is also true with reference to the lowly and much despised carp. The State Fish and Game Commission is now compiling a booklet on California fish and modes of preparing and cooking them, which will do much to lower the cost of living.

The Eastern brook or speckled trout were first introduced into California in 1872. Millions of these fish have been artificially prapagated and distributed by the California Fish and Game Commission. They are now found in large numbers in every county of the state having suitable waters.

The Ike trout, also known as Mackinaw, the Loch Leven or Scotch trout, and the German Brown, were introduced into California in 1984 and are now to be found in abundance in the lakes and streams of this state. Millions are propagated and distributed in the public waters annually.

A great many other, but less important, species of fish have been introduced into this state with more or less success.

The state of Maine estimated the value of its sport at $15,000,000 in 1914. California's sport is worth fully as much and is increasing so fast that it would be a bold man, indeed, who would venture to predict the limit in the next few years.—Sacramento Union.

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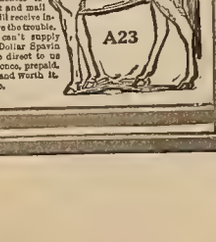
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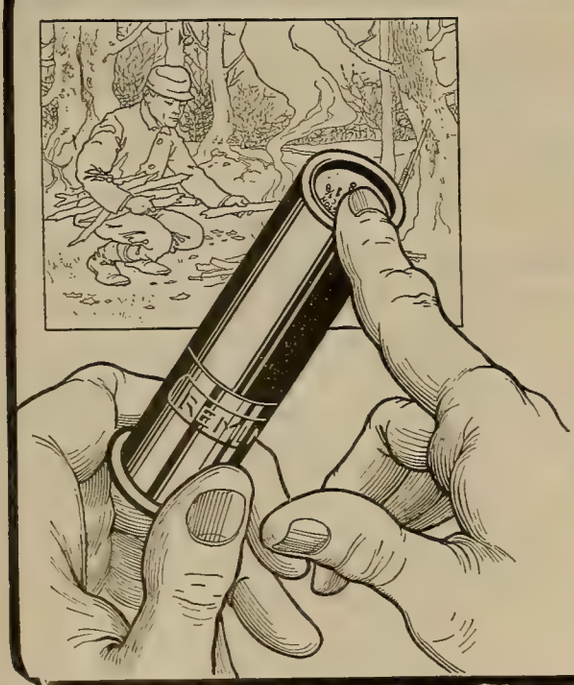
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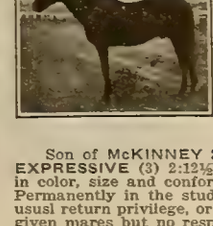
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MR. SMITH'S BILL ONCE MORE.

Some weeks ago we presented to our readers a aft of the initiative measure proposed for submit- to the voters of the state at large at the general ection this fall by Mr. Ed R. Smith of Ocean Park d a number of other horsemen from southern Cali- rnia, while a few days later we printed a letter om Mr. Smith concerning the same . We regret to y that on each occasion we were impelled to offer iticisms of the proposed action, as in our opinion had certain shortcomings that prevented it from ing the most highly desirable bill that could be vised to accomplish the desired end, while we also ere, and are, of the opinion that its sponsors were king the wrong course in submitting it as an initia- e petition in preference to making the efforts in behalf directly to the state legislature. Since that ne we have received the circular letter which Mr. nith and his friends are sending to horsemen solic- ng funds for the waging of the campaign, and more cently the following letter from Mr. Smith has ached the editor's desk:

Ocean Park, Cal., Mch. 27, 1916.

litor Breeder and Sportsman:

Enclosed please find Registered Horse Breeders Bill, hendments to California racing law, with the splendid dle to same by the Attorney General of California. At is time we are asking of you that you give this meas- e the same treatment that you have always displayed the past on all matters which were of benefit to the rse breeding industry of this state. Your valuable per has always and at all times championed the cause the breeders and horsemen and endeavored to be right d fair and worked in their interests. We appreciate ur criticisms of our measure, as you were of the opin- n that the movement was ill advised at this time, as u thought that we should have waited and brought the l up in the halls of the legislature. We are of the inion that you are sincere in that belief, but we differ ere.

As history has proven, and you well know, with your luable assistance through the columns of your paper d with the efforts of the breeders and horsemen and eir friends that have worked hard for the past eighteen ars with these senators and members of the legislature, ring to get through the necessary legislation for appro- lations for county or district fairs, etc., up to the pres- t time it has been impossible to get any kind of legis- ion toward that end. Since the appropriation for unty and district fairs has ceased, the great stock farms our beautiful state have one by one gone out of exist- ce, as there was no incentive to breed or place to race sell their produce, with the exception of a few fairs at had hard uphill struggles to exist under present con- ions, and if there is not some kind of legislation soon be had the few stock farms and breeders left will have follow in the footsteps of those that have already quit e business.

So now, Mr. Editor, breeders and horsemen, let us all get our differences of opinion and go into this cam- ign with a solid column and a united army of breeders, rsemen and friends; let us get behind this measure, ucate the public, and go before the people with this od clean bill, gotten up by a body of reputable breeders the very best interests of the horse breeding indus- of the state, a measure that should appeal and recom- nd itself to all classes. There is absolutely no possibility of syndicate or gambling control, as all racing where wagering is to be held at any state, county, or agricultural fair, association or corporation, are under the direct control and management of the Racing Commission, and every dollar made will revert right back to the breeders and horsemen.

This measure is being put before the people wholly by public subscription. We are asking financial aid from all those that can affard to donate to this cause and expect a very liberal response. Every dollar subscribed will be used for the necessary expenses of getting out the printing, petitions, etc. If we all pull together, work in harmony and put our best efforts in this campaign, success will surely follow. Petitions are now being prepared and will be in circulation soon.

ED. R. SMITH, Secretary,
Registered Horse Breeders.

When we first gave consideration to this matter we expressed our firm belief in the sincerity of Mr. Smith and his associates in their conviction that they were taking the best course for the achievement of a most desirable end, and before going further we wish to repeat this assurance. At the same time we have not modified our views as previously expressed concerning the measure advocated by them—indeed we are more firmly convinced than before that the bill should be altered in some respects, which we have previously pointed out, and that the legislation desired has a better chance in the assembly than it has if put before the people as an initiative measure, also for reasons which have been so fully expressed previously that a repetition at this time seems scarcely necessary. We have lost no opportunity for talking over the "pros and cons" of the matter with various horsemen with whom we have come in contact since the bill first appeared in our columns, and in almost every instance the opinion reached upon the conclusion of such conversations was identical with that voiced in former articles.

Mr. Smith submits the record of past failures of attempts to secure legislation of an ameliorating nature when sought direct from the legislature, and there is no sidestepping the truth of his examples. With some of these instances the present editor of this publication is not personally familiar; with a couple of the later ones he has some slight acquaintance. In the winter of 1912 and 1913 a district fair bill was introduced into the legislature upon the recommendation of Governor Johnson that he would sign a bill for a limited number of fairs. The measure was drawn and submitted to him before it went before the house, according to the best of our belief, and he voiced a complete approval of the same. It became the subject of amendment until it had grown to unrecognizable proportions and when put before his excellency it was very promptly and emphatically vetoed. It has been stated in quarters antagonistic to Mr. Johnson that the additions to the bill were made by his henchmen for the express purpose of bringing about valid grounds for the course taken by him after it came from the legislative bodies enacting it. While this may be true, we incline more to the belief that the amendments were added by various persons for other reasons, and that the same would not have materialized had the way been properly paved for the introduction of such a measure. Neighborhood jealousy was the cause of the addition of some of the fairs which it was proposed to establish, while the lack of proper appreciation of the real benefits to accrue in the future to the state at large by the establishment of a comparatively small number of SUCCESSFUL fairs caused the tacking on of others. These opinions of ours in this matter, while purely personal, have not been formed without grounds, largely the result of an exchange of opinion with a good many people who were more or less interested in the matter in hand.

At the last session of the legislature, the governor having reiterated his inclination to accord favorable action on his part to any bill passed providing reasonable appropriations for district fairs, not to exceed seven or eight in number, another attempt was made to secure help of this nature. As originally introduced the measure provided for fourteen districts, but it was almost immediately amended to call for seven, that it might have every chance of meeting with approval if passed. Acceptable as it was known to be it failed of becoming operative, and this, we have been told personally by members of the legislature and persons close to the governor, because its enactment was not sufficiently urged by the people who should have been most interested in its welfare. Whether or not this statement, made to us by different people, is absolutely correct in its fullest meaning, we are not in position to state; we can and will say this upon our own responsibility, that the bill did not meet with the concerted and aggressive support that horsemen and stock growers especially should have accorded it. The matter is one that is open to argument, but we incline to the opinion that had this last bill received the support it merited on the part of vitally interested people it would have gone through both branches of the legislature and the office of the governor with flying colors.

While attempts to secure direct legislation may have been unsuccessful as stated by Mr. Smith and reviewed above, it may not be out of place to bring to mind the fate that met the initiative measure attempting to establish the pari-mutuals in this state some years ago, the people registering their disapproval of the subject in overwhelming fashion. It is not necessary to remind us that "things are different since Tom Williams died." We know that they are different—in professional circles. We also know that there are thousands of people in California today who will vote no on such a proposal who never heard of Tom Williams or, if they did hear of him, do not know at this moment whether he is dead or alive. We will make the following memoranda of opinion concerning Mr. Williams and dismiss this phase of the situation: Tom Williams, alive, was a stumbling block in the path of any attempt at establishing a racing commission and pari-mutual speculation on a proper, conservative basis through an appeal to the legislature direct; his death lessens the opposition that any really good measure, well supported in the proper quarter, would meet in the halls of the senate and assembly, while it in no way affects the sentiments or beliefs of countless thousands of voters, men and women, to whom a race track is merely a sink of iniquity in any hands. Tom Williams did not make the race track: The race track made Tom Williams, and it is against the race track rather than the individual that the great opposition of the "lay public," unfamiliar with inside conditions, is directed. That opposition exists very strongly at this time, just as it did when the people cast their last vote against the pari-mutual.

Our objections to Mr. Smith's bill have been fully stated in former articles and still hold. Our objection to the method he proposes to pursue is just as strong as it ever was, if not stronger. We regret that we are not in accord with Mr. Smith and his associates in the matter, but we are fully convinced that the stand we take is a proper one and we cannot recommend his measure or his method to favor or financial support on the part of the friends of the horse and horseracing in California.

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Some years ago the eastern concerns specializing in insurance of this nature had representatives in California, but none of them have operated here since the passing of the very stringent regulations governing insurance companies, the field being practically unserved in this respect. Determining the opportunity presented to be a most attractive one, Mr. George B. Conway made a journey here from Helena, looked the ground over and immediately went into executive session with the insurance commissioner, with the result that his company was duly accredited and accorded permission to operate in this state. A state agency has been established in San Francisco at 602 Royal Insurance Building, with Mr. Douglas Keith as general agent, and local connections are rapidly being established throughout the state, Mr. Conway having spent several days here this month for this particular purpose. There is a most excellent field here for the writing of livestock insurance, and we have every reason for recommending the newcomers to your consideration.

Copa de Oro Sails on Long Voyage

FAMOUS PACER AND SIRE PURCHASED BY NEW ZEALAND BREEDER

During the last several years the trotting horse breeders of New Zealand and Australia have made numerous purchases of American bred trotters and pacers, both stallions and mares, and in practically every instance have not only proven their appreciation of values in select blood lines but have shown a willingness to pay well for anything that really pleased them and gave promise of filling their needs. Many individuals of high degree have found homes in the twin dominions of Australasia at good prices, but it remained for Mr. Charles D. Hudson of Ravensbourne, Dunedin, New Zealand, to set a new pattern in every respect in the way of importations from America when he secured from William G. Durfee of Los Angeles, through the friendly offices of Robert A. Smith of the same city, the great race horse and speed sire Copa de Oro 2:01, for many seasons the bright particular star of the Durfee stable, both in harness and at stud. In all particulars Copa de Oro is in a class by himself among horses exported to the lands across the Pacific, while the price paid for him, while not publicly announced, is considerably in excess of former figures obtained from this quarter. Mr. Hudson, who we are pleased to note keeps track of American harness horses through the medium of the Breeder and Sportsman, was attracted by the excellence of the performance of Copa de Oro and his get as set forth therein and correspondence was entered into, some months ago, which finally resulted in the consummation of the purchase of the individual whom he so greatly admired. The horse arrived in this city last Saturday, accompanied by John McQuaig of the Durfee staff, Mr. Durfee also coming up from Los Angeles to oversee the final arrangements for inspection and shipping. The famous pacer was quartered at the City Front Stables pending shipment and quite a number of his many local admirers took advantage of the opportunity to go down and give him a last visit. Shipment for his new home was made Wednesday morning, especially constructed quarters having been provided for him on the main deck of the Moana of the Union S. S. Co. of New Zealand, the same boat that carried Don Pronto 2:02¼ to Australia just a year ago yesterday.

Copa de Oro, the fastest entire pacer ever foaled in the state of California, was bred by Peter W. Hodges of Pleasanton and first saw the light of day in 1912, one year earlier than the great trotter and speed sire San Francisco 2:07¾, for whose existence we are also indebted to the breeding operations of Mr. Hodges. Mr. Hodges was, and is, a great admirer of the family of Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ and was most successful in obtaining speed in copious quantities by a judicious use of the blood of that horse, through the dam in the case of San Francisco, while Copa de Oro is a son of the old premier of the Martin Carter establishment. Not only through his sire does Copa de Oro come into the possession on a most potent infusion of excellent blood, but his inheritance through his dam is one of exceptional richness. Atherine 2:16¾ is the dam of three standard performers in addition to the subject of this sketch, including the trotter Rags 2:09¼ and the futurity winner Nicola B. (3) 2:18½ who has trialed not far from the two-ten mark, while other daughters of Patron 2:14¼ have produced such sterling performers as Linda Wrona 2:05½, Miss Adbell 2:06¼, Hazel Laing 2:08¼, Boreazelle 2:09¼, Carroll 2:09¼ and two score more in standard time. Athene, dam of Atherine and one other trotter, was bred very much like the grand old high wheel champion Maud S. 2:08¾, being a daughter of Harold 413 and out of a mare by Pilot Jr. 12. Still further back come the rugged "pioneer crosses" to Mambrino Chief 11, Downing's Bay Messenger and Messenger, the great grandam of Bacchante Mambrino being presumably a daughter of the gray stallion to whose importation in 1788 is due the foundation of the family of the American trotter.

While never raced by his breeder, Copa de Oro developed in his hands a wonderful turn of speed which led to his purchase by Mrs. L. G. Bonfilio of Los Angeles, whereupon he became a member of the stable of William G. Durfee, who at that time had already taken high rank among the younger generation of horse trainers and race drivers. "Bear stories" galore emanated from the southern training center pending the appearance of the new combination—stories that were proven to be well grounded when the handsome five-year-old stallion, displaying all the characteristics of a seasoned campaigner, celebrated his advent to the world of fame by winning his first start at Salinas in 1907 in straight heats and fast time, the three trips being negotiated in 2:10¼, 2:08¾ and 2:09½, his nearest competitor being the bay mare Inferlotta. Five times that summer this great pair came together, and every time was a horse race. Three times out of the five the mare emerged victorious, but never by any great margin, having to pace to a record of 2:04¾ to win at Santa Rosa. Thirteen starts were made by the new sensation during that season, his itinerary extending to the half-mile tracks of Washington and Idaho, and but once was he behind the money—at Salem in a field of fifteen starters two days after having won a three heat race in the mud over the same course. The other dozen starts were evenly divided between firsts and seconds, and his earnings for his first season out were but a few dollars under the five thousand mark.

After such a good showing he was deemed "ripe" for a campaign in the most select company the land had to offer and in the following spring he found himself headed east on the longest journey of his young life, his first stopping place of moment being Peoria. Evidently the distillery odor which is supposed, at least in the fancy of the cartoonist or Sunday special writer, to overhang this Illinois city at all times and which is so offensive to the nose of the teetotaller, served merely as a pleasant stimulant to the wanderer, as he proceeded to make it two in a row in a field of ten starters in which the main contenders were Star Patch and Major Mallow, the time of both heats being exactly the same, 2:06¼. Having by this proceeding annexed practically a round thousand dollars toward keeping the well known wolf from the Durfee door, the journey was continued to the famous four cornered course at "The Hut," where the summary was topped in one-two-three order and the figures after his name altered to read 2:05¾.

By this time the east was fully awake to the fact that another real race horse had come out of the west, the opinion being strengthened at Detroit when he slipped over a couple of heats in a two-in-three event in 2:04¼ and 2:04¾, eight real good wigglers doing a dust eating specialty in his wake. Later in the same week he had his first dose of the same treatment for that year, Darkey Hal winning a spirited five heater in which he came out second best, three heats of the five being negotiated in the merry time of 2:04¼. At Kalamazoo Darkey repeated the performance, our friend being second again and winning one heat in 2:03¼, but at Buffalo the tables were turned and the dusky lass from Canada had to be content with second place in the final summary. At Readville Major Brino manned the guns for our Canadian cousins and wiped out the national stain by taking two to Copa de Oro's one out of a total of three heats in time barely on the slow side of six, while in the five thousand dollar event at Hartford our friend had to be satisfied to finish in fourth place to an international combination composed of The Eel, Major Brino and George Gano, the slowest mile being 2:05¼. At Syracuse, in a field of six including the redoubtable warrior Jerry B., Messrs. Durfee and De Oro donned their winning clothes long enough to line out three of 'em in four and a half, four and a quarter and five.

About this time clouds began gathering on the horizon in a manner that told of heavy weather to come. In the first start at Columbus the Californians had to be satisfied with a three way split with Judex and Major Mallow, taking the second heat in 2:03¼ but standing third in the summary, while in the second start over the Ohio speedway they were behind the money in a field of nine which was topped by Eph Cinders and Jerry B. At Lexington the high winds became regular hurricanes and the 2:06 pacers proceeded to inaugurate the fall meeting there by hanging up the figures that still stand as the fastest seven heat race ever contested by harness horses. Minor Heir speared the first heat in 2:00½ and peated in 2:02; The Eel then took one in 2:05¾, w Copa de Oro registering in the next one in 2:0 Jerry B. and one Senor Ricardo McMahon had b figuring more or less prominently in the contest to this time and suddenly came to the conclusion t the time had arrived for them to emphasize "more" and put the soft pedal on the "less," as t proceeded to line out the next three in 2:06½, 2:0 and 2:07¼. The race was one that put the stamp true greatness upon every one of the heat winne and Copa de Oro, after the first mile, was never wo than third. Three days later, for the third and l time in his career, he finished behind the money that great quartet of pacing queens, Lady Maud 2:00½, Reproachless 2:04¼, Aileen Wilson 2:0 and Citation 2:01¾. The latter mare came on w with the McMahon stable and at Phoenix won t races from Copa de Oro, who was second in e of the six heats which were raced in time fr 2:02½ to 2:06¾.

Taken to the big line again in 1909 the great pa became the victim of an illness that threw him of training for some time and precluded any rac on his part until well toward the end of the seas At Syracuse he was second to The Eel in the fi for-all pace and again equaled his former record 2:03¼ in winning the second heat, outranking La Maud C. and Aileen Wilson. At Columbus he t the first mile in 2:02 before relinquishing his pl to Aileen Wilson, finishing second in the follow fast miles and besting his old enemies The Eel 2:0 and Citation, as well as the redoubtable Hedgew Boy 2:01. This was his last Grand Circuit appe ance, but on his way home a stop was made at Ph nix long enough for him to win the free-for-all p there in very comfortable fashion and to pace a n against time, to beat his record of 2:02, in 2:01¼

By this time, under our mistaken system of creasing a horse's earning capacity as his sp increases, there was so little opportunity of mak a paying campaign for another season that in 1 Copa de Oro was merely given an easy preparat for a trip against the watch at Phoenix, late in fall, for the express purpose of putting him in two minute list. The success attending this atte was most gratifying, and the trip was made in 1 with every effort being made to comply with recently enacted rules governing such performan Technicalities were invoked by disgruntled ri and by a highly technical interpretation of the re lations the performance was declared irregular, horse being deprived of the credit of what wa sterling performance. Later in the week over same course he stepped the second heat of a winn race in 2:01, and this appears as his official rec in all annals of the American turf. The fact rema that he is given full credit in the minds of all ho men for the mile in 1:59.

As he was mated with but very few mares u after his permanent retirement to the stud, wh was not effected until a time when harness ho breeding in California had begun to fall off q noticeably, his opportunities in service have b very limited indeed, his few early foals raced be now but five years of age. He became a 2:10 sir 1914 when the three-year-old gelding Contention paced to a record of 2:10 and should, save for error on the part of the clerk of the course at Ph nix, have been credited with tying the world's rec of 2:08¼ for geldings of the age and gait in a ning performance. Two other three-year-olds tri below 2:10 that same season, so horsemen were prepared for the achievement of the world's rec for three-year-old pacing geldings by Rayo de (3) 2:07¼ in 1915, assuring Copa de Oro of the s high standing as a sire that had been his as a horse. He is recognized as one of the very best of the extremely fast pacers, and is accepted as of the most potent of the recent comers to the g table of sires.

Among the many horses of excellence exporte New Zealand and Australia in the several years ing which the sport of trotting has been popula those countries, Copa de Oro occupies two un positions: He is the first two minute performe

a home in that section of the world as well as first American sire ever exported thereto who had ren himself a sire of two-ten speed—and world's rd speed at that—prior to his exportation. His blishment in the stud in New Zealand will have onderful influence upon the entire harness horse ily in the antipodes, and if blessed with an ordi- y term of life there is little doubt that he will nd the greatest line of horses known to that tion. In his departure the Breeder and Sportsman ls that it is losing an old and valued friend, and gratulations not only to Mr. Hudson but to the w Zealand horsemen in general are in order—and hereby extended in all heartiness.

PROMISING OUTLOOK AT VANCOUVER.

Vancouver, B. C., March 23, 1916.

itor Breeder and Sportsman:

Since my last communication, Mr. George Bell has quired control of the good mare Myrtha Pointer, d I understand that she will be both matineed and ced. As she is by Star Pointer 1:59¼, dam Myrtha hips 2:09¼ by Whips, her speed inheritance is gh. She has shown considerable speed, going a atinee half two years ago in 1:05 driven by her wner to a cart.

Mr. A. McKenzie has purchased the three-year-old lt by Zobona 2:18, son of Zombro, dam Just It by earest. The colt is thin, having been allowed to rage for himself most of his life, but is a nice colt many respects and has certainly good breeding to stify his owner's expectations.

Mr. D. K. Campbell has placed his three-year-old lt by Deroches 2:05¼, dam a McKinney mare with record of 2:12¼ on a halfmile track, in the hands Frank Loomis. Mr. Loomis has also received from r. R. L. Handford of Ladner a full brother of Beauty that raced through this district last year under the wnership of David Nixon, her sire being Woodlock, son of Zolock. He has also received from Mr. andford the trotting gelding Uncle Tom, that was prominent winner in the local races at Vancouver st year.

At present Mr. Loomis has five head and is expect- ng other additions daily.

Mr. Lewis, who is also at the Minoru track, has n addition to the twelve head brought with him from he prairie provinces, Dixon Brothers' Aurelia Lou, big trotting stallion that showed some speed last ear but became uncontrollable. He is now a gelding nd they expect great things from him this year. Lewis also has for Dixon Brothers the iron gray filly . B. P. 2:06¼, dam Lady Patrick. Lady Patrick was y Ben Z., son of Zolock, and her dam was Laurell nca.

The annual meeting of the Vancouver Driving As- ociation was held on Tuesday night and was the est attended and most enthusiastic meeting the riving club has held for some years. A number of nen who have formerly been prominent in the show horse game were present and signified their intention f transferring their affections to the trotters. A trong campaign for membership will be inaugurated nd the chances are that a most successful season will follow. E. C. Davison, last year's president, has three-year-old that he intends to race. K. M. C., a ig pacer by B. C. King, dam Arketta by McKinney, will also likely be raced during the season. The best horse in the Lewis stable at the present time is King Bond 2:10½ by The Bondsman. He has another pacer with a mark of 2:14¼ and the balance of his stable are colts.

Yours truly,

W. C. BROWN.

"Is the Caucasian played out?" asks the Australian Trotting Record. "For the first time in the history of trotting at Richmond an Indian was numbered among the reinsmen—an Oriental hawker and skin buyer in far off Bairnsdale sought fame for his trusty mare in metropolitan company. The fame of the mare had preceded her, and she was sent out favor- ite in the Tradesmen's Handicap. She, however, cut an inglorious figure, and finished last but one. The proud owner and driver announced that he had made the sulky in which he was driving, the wheels ex- cepted. The home-made workmanship availed him nothing, and an ominous rattle as the machine passed up the straight caused some apprehension that there would be a breakdown before the course was com- pleted. Bairnsdale timber, however, stood the test, and all ended happily except for the confiding punters who had invested their coin on the mare and her lusky driver."

North Randall Entries

STAKE FIELDS AT G C. OPENER

Entries to the early closing events at the Grand Circuit inaugural at North Randall closed March 14 and are presented herewith as a sample of the quality of fields that may be expected in the major events on the big line this summer. The events for aged horses have not drawn as largely as in some years but the response to the juvenile classes has been very good indeed, showing that the promoters had the right idea in providing two classes for three-year-old trotters. A conspicuous feature of the entry list is the lack of California horses, the only ones nominated from this state being the good stake trotter Spriggan 2:08¼ in the stable of Will DeRyder, Wm. G. Durfee's great filly Virginia Barnette 2:08¼, and E. R. Dunne's futurity winner of last season, Virginia Humbug (2) 2:16¾.

THE OHIO.

2:08 Class Trotting—(3 heats); Purse $3,000:

Ames Albingen, b h by Albingen—Cacha, by Look Sir; Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.

Bacelli, b c by Bertini—Ben, by Bingara; Pastime stable, North Randall.

Belle Stanford, b m by Governor Stanford—Brown Princess, by Euroclydon; W. H. Halsted, New York.

Deroche, ch c by John A. McKerron—Lady Grattan, by Teddy Grattan; E. F. Geers, Memphis.

Director Todd, b g by Todd—Vicoria Direct, by The Director General; W. R. Cox, Dover, N. H.

Guy Nella, br m by Guy Axworthy—Amnell, by Ambassador; W. R. Neill, Memphis.

Laramie Lad, b g by Master Bo; Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.

Mabel Trask, ch m by Peter the Great—Miss Nutonia, by Nutwood; W. R. Cox, Dover, N. H.

Peter Mc, b h by Peter the Great—Lillian R., by J. T.; Beau Ideal Stock Farm, West Park, O.

Rusticoat, ch c by Axworthy-Dorothy T., by Advertiser; Pastime Stable, North Randall.

St. Frisco, b h by San Francisco—Clara Cantrill, by Clarence S.; E. F. Geers, Memphis.

Spriggan, b g by Baron McKinney—Helen Simmons, by Simmons; V. K. Dunne, San Francisco.

The Eno, ch g by The Native—Anna B., by John Burdine; C. L. Floyd, Louisville.

Trampright, b s by Trampfast—Coupon Bond, by The Bondsman; Thomas W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Vanco, b g by Unco; Thomas W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Virginia Barnette, b m by Moko—Zephyr by Zombro; C. J. Berry, San Francisco.

Worthy Prince, b h by Prince McKinney—Nell Worthy, by Axworthy; W. R. Cox, Dover, N. H.

THE TAVERN "STEAK"

For trotters that have never won over $2,000 gross nor have a time or race record faster than 2:14¼; purse $3,000.

Brisac, b h by Bingara; Thomas W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Brook King, br h by The King Red—Adelfa by Alfonso; A. S. Rodney, Jersey City.

Busy Lassie, b m by Peter the Great—Busy, by Clay; W. R. Cox, Dover, N. H.

Coastess Mobel, b m by Mobel—Nellie Coastman, by Coastman; W. R. Cox, Dover, N. H.

Col. Riser, br h by Early Riser—Minnie Milton, by George P.; United States Horse Shoe Co., Erie.

Early Don, ch g by Don Cale—Ruth, by Clayone; C. A. Valentine, Columbus.

Ess H. Kay Jr., blk h by Ess H. Kay; Thomas W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Harvest Glow, br h by The Harvester—Oben Glome, by Bow Bells; E. F. Geers, Memphis.

Jeannette Speed, b m by Peter the Great; W. R. Cox, Dover, N. H.

Leonor McKinney, b f by McKinney—Miss Leo Rex, by Galileo Rex; Pastime Stable, North Randall.

Lillian the Great, ch f by Peter the Great—Lillian R., by J. T.; Beau Ideal Stock Farm, West Park, O.

Little Grove, b h by Walnut Grove—May Day, by Roywood; A. F. Ruthven, Agt., Kansas City.

Lu Princeton, b h by San Francisco; W. R. Cox, Dover, N. H.

Regardless, b h by Locanda, dam by Sunland Bourbon; Frank Hedrick, Columbus.

Uuo Stanley, ro h by Al Stanley—Eunice, by The Spy; R. H. Anderson, Jackson, Tenn.

Walnut Grove, blk h by Constantine—Lindis, by Jackdaw; A. F. Ruthven, Agt., Kansas City.

Zoe Dillon, gr m by Sidney Dillon—Roxie Maywood; Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.

American Girl, ch m by McLintock; Brook Farm, Chester, N. Y.

Hollyrood Bertha, br m by Joe Dodge—Nellie Vice, by The Viceroy; Hollyrood Farm, Lexington.

Grand Chimes, b h by Kentucky Chimes—Pealwood, by Baron Grand; Black River Stock Farm, Jonesville, La.

Peter Grimm, b h by Peter the Great—Cloudlet, by Arion; Hollyrood Farm, Lexington.

THE FASIG SWEEPSTAKES

Open to All Three-Year-Old Trotters; 2 in 3; $500 added

Adele Block, br f by J. Malcolm Forbes—Mendosia Worthy, by Axworthy; J. J. Mooney, Toledo.

Great Minnie, b f by Peter the Great—Minnie P. Wilkes, by Baron Wilkes; W. L. Snow, Detroit.

Maple Tree, b c by Siliko—Bertha Leyburn, by Arion; John E. Madden, Lexington.

Pat De Forest, br c by The De Forest—Princess Directum, by Directum Kelly; E. F. Geers, Memphis.

Peter Mount, ch c by Peter the Great—Matanzas, by Guydirwood; Thomas M. Murphy, Peughkeepsie.

Sister Hattie, ch f by Peter the Great—Hattie Lynwood, by Lynwood W.; Pastime Stable, North Randall.

Virginia Humbug, b f by Cochato—Baroness Maid by Baron Wilkes; E. R. Dunn, Los Angeles.

Walnut Tree, b c by Siliko—Markala, by Peter the Great; H. J. Schlesinger, Milwaukee.

Willow Tree, b g by Siliko—Flossie McGregor, by Jay McGregor; W. L. Snow, Detroit.

NORTH RANDALL SWEEPSTAKES.

Three-Year-Old 2:18 Trotters (2 in 3), $500 Added.

Alice Mack, br f by Azoff—Alice W. B., by Simmons; Dick McMahon, Libertyville.

Azio Hall, br f by Azoff—Linka Hall, by Walnut Hall; Dick McMahon, Libertyville.

Baroness Sahib, b f by Sahib—Mildred Numan, by Oakland Baron; R. W. Rosemire, Poughkeepsie.

Brownie Watts, br f by Gen. Watts—Sarah Hamlin, by Dare Devil; A. S. Rodney, Jersey City.

Cochato Jay, ro c by Cochato—Blue Birdie, by Jay Bird; John M. Sadler, Muncie.

Expressive Lou, b f by Atlantic Express—Lou Dillon, by Sidney Dillon; Thomas W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Harrod's Creek, ch c by General Watts; H. A. Bell, Louisville.

Helen Bing, b f by Binjolla—Helen P., by Prince G.; William N. Albin, Springfield.

High Grade, by High Admiral—Lotta F.; W. F. Meyers, Butler, Pa.

Ida De Forest, b f by The De Forest—Arless, by Neponsett; E. F. Geers, Memphis.

Jack Mooney, br g by J. Malcolm Forbes—Mary Ray, by Jay McGregor; Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.

Lightsome Watts, b f by Gen. Watts—Lightsome Mary, by Jay McGregor; C. C. Wats, Charleston, W. V.

Lotto Watts, b f by Gen. Watts—Lady Arion, by Arion; Ross F. Stout & Bros., Clarksburg, W. Va.

Maple Tree, b c by Siliko—Bertha Leyburn, by Arion; John E. Madden, Lexington.

Forrest B., b c by Mainleaf; Hollyrood Farm, Lexington, Ky.

Great Minnie, b f by Peter the Great—Minnie P. Wilkes, by Baron Wilkes; W. L. Snow, Detroit.

Native Judge, b c by Justice Brooke—Native Belle, by Moko; Brook Farm, Chester, N. Y.

Marjorie the Great, br f by Peter the Great—Maggie Onward by Onward; H. M. Hanna, Cleveland.

Ollie Watts; Walter R. Cox, Dover, N. H.

Peter Axtell; Walter R. Cox, Dover, N. H.

Peter Bing, b c by Peter the Great—Bodena, by Bingen; Dick McMahon, Libertyville.

Peter Dixie, b c by Peter the Great—Dixie Craig, by H. P. Banning; Henry B. Rea, Pittsburg, Pa.

Peter Elkin, b g by Peter the Great—Mary Elkin, by Prodigal; H. J. Schlesinger, Milwaukee.

Peter Mount, ch h by Peter the Great—Matanzas, by Guydirwood; Thomas W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Peter Valpa, br c by Peter the Great—Valpa, by Darknight; Coburn Haskell, Cleveland.

Sister Hattie, ch f by Peter the Great—Hattie Lynwood, by Lynwood W.; Pastime Stable, North Randall.

Sister Susan; Walter R. Cox, Dover, N. H.

William Bing, b g by Binjolla—Maxine M.; Alonzo McDonald, Indianapolis.

Willow Tree, b g by Siliko—Flossie McGregor, by Jay McGregor; W. L. Snow, Detroit.

FOREST CITY SWEEPSTAKES

Open to All Two-Year-Old Trotters; Two Heats; $500 Added.

——, b c by Beirne Holt—Elsoo, by Moko; H. J. Schlesinger, Milwaukee.

Azodora, b f by Azoff—Di Oakland, by Oakland Baron; Dick McMahon, Libertyville.

Bingen Dawn, br f by Bingen—Dreamer's Dawn, by The Dreamer; A. McDonald, Indianapolis.

Bonnie Wren, br f by Caduceus the Great—May Tell; Edward Wren, Jr., Springfield.

Hanks Stout, b c by J. Malcolm Forbes—Babbie, by T. H. Baker, Jr.; Ross F. Stout & Bros., Clarksburg, W. Va.

Harvest Gale, br f by The Harvester—Morning Gale, by Baronmore; A. McDonald, Indianapolis.

Lord Siva, b c by Siliko—Lady Ripples, by The Tramp; John E. Madden, Lexington.

Mary Coburn, ch f by Manrico—Alma Sedley, by The Director General; Pastime Stable, North Randall.

Peter Moore, ch c by Peter the Great—Lena Moore, by Hinder Wilkes; Walter R. Cox, Dover, N. H.

Sarawan, ch c by Siliko—Sarah W., by Hal Braden; John E. Madden, Lexington.

Buck Watts, b c by Gen. Watts—Miss Belle Chimes, by Liberty Chimes; Brook Farm, Chester, N. Y.

Duke De Forest, br c by The De Forest—Baroness Review;, by Baron Review; E. F. Geers, Memphis.

The Prattler; Walter R. Cox, Dover, N. H.

Verbena Ansel, b f by Prince Ansel—Verbena Mc., by

Directum Spier; W. W. Marvin, Lafayette, Ind.

Will Bing, b g by Binjolla—Einestina, by Hazelwood Hal; W. N. Albin, Springfield.

Yosanville, b f by Anvil—Yo San, by Hershon; E. F. Geers, Memphis.

Emma Magowan, br f by J. Malcolm Forbes—Ivolette, by Moko; Brook Farm, Chester, N. Y.

THE EDWARDS

2:10 Pacing; $3,000: Three Heats.

Adioo Guy, ch m by Guy Dillon—Adioo, by Guy Wilkes; John G. Heyman, Sandusky.

Baby Bertha, b m by Silk Cord—Bertha Derby, by Charles Derby; Maplewood Farm, Roadstown, N. J.

Baymar, b h by Amar McKinney—Bayberry, by Bingen; G. C. Johnstone, Bloomington.

Ben Earl, b g by The Earl—dam by Nutpick; M. Childs, Indianapolis.

Bessie R., br m by Captain H.—dam by Delineator; O. A. Robinson, Brownburg.

Billy Dale, b g by Dale Patchen—dam by Almont Brunswick; Walter R. Cox, Dover, N. H.

Bird B., ro m by Nicot B.—Let, by Russia; O. E. Brooks, Agt., Medina.

Jay El Mack, b h by E. G.; Everett Beckwith, Aurora.

Peter Farren, b h by Peter the Great—Nellie Farren, by Jay Bird; Thomas W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Peter Neptune, b h by Peter the Great—Esperita, by Mendocino; H. P. James & Bros., Kendall Grove, Va.

St. Anthony Carter, br h by Sir Lightfoot; E. F. Geers, Memphis.

The Problem, blk h by Cochato; Thomas W. Murphy, Poughkeepsie.

Wilbur S., ch g by Anderson Wilkes; Curt Gosnell, Muncie.

Young Todd, b g by Director Todd—Woodford Belle, by Ongale; Walter R. Cox, Dover, N. H.

Prestolite, blk m by Don Varrick—dam by Dignity Dare; C. P. Cecil, Jr., Danville.

Spring Maid, ch m by The Abbe—Miss Burlap, by The Beau Ideal; Ben F. White, North Randall.

AT OREGON STATE FAIR GROUNDS.

While there is a general feeling of pessimism among harness horsemen over the general situation, there are five trainers working horses at the State Fair Grounds track at Salem, Ore.

Dr. A. G. Smith, who keeps a horse or two because he can't keep from it, is working two of his own. Complete 2:16¼, by Palite, a good son of Nutwood Wilkes, will probably be raced in the big trotting stake this year. She was entered last fall and was a most promising candidate, but wrenched an ankle on a cuppy track and was not well in time to race. It is, of course, early to make predictions, but she is all right and can "go some" now.

Helen Hall, by Hal R., dam Vida Mac by McKinney, is a racy-looking young mare. It is the doctor's intention to race both of them. Complete was grand champion standard bred mare last year and in 1914 at Oregon State Fair.

J. B. Stetson has his good mare Novela by Letrado (3) 2:25 trotting, dam by Alaska, one of the good sons of Electioneer, second dam by Robt. McGregor, third dam by Red Wilkes, and fourth by Mambrino Patchen. She took a mark of 2:15½ last season and promises to lower that considerably this year. Boniquee, a three-year-old pacer by Count Boni, dam Niquee 2:13¼, by Joe Patchen, is owned jointly by Stetson and C. A. Harrison.

Joseph Ansel (3) 2:12¼ by Prince Ansel, dam by Nutwood Wilkes, is owned by C. A. Harrison. He will race and, barring accidents, will undoubtedly take a very low mark.

Stetson is seriously contemplating going back to Nebraska or elsewhere east for this season's racing. He will have one or two more horses from Seattle and will take them with him if he goes.

Ed Keyt has his own good mare Wild Girl 2:18½ by Wild Nutling, dam by General Washington. She is another entrant in the $2,000 trot that went lame last year. She is now all right and if she stays so has speed that would seem to make her invincible. He also owns Edith M., a green trotter by R. Ambush, dam by Vinmont. She is promising and will race. Keyt also has on pasture in the infield a mare by R. Ambush, out of Mildred E. K., the dam of King Seal 2:09 and Holly Brand 2:06¼; a three-year-old by King Seal, out of Wild Girl, and a four-year-old gelding by On Voyage, out of Mildred E. K.

Sam Bush has Robin West by R. Ambush, dam by Zombro, owned by H. C. Fletcher. Robin West's dam is the dam of McAlzo, that Mr. Fletcher successfully raced two seasons and then sold. He is a more compact horse, very handsome, and is an excellent race prospect. Bush also has his own horse, Bon Diablo by Bonaday, dam by Diablo. Sallie H., owned by Frank McCarty, completes his string. She is a green pacer by Hal Norte, dam by Aguinaldo. She worked last year in 2:13, half in 1:03, and will be raced.

Last, but by no means least, is Alex. Grant with Francis J. 2:08. The horse looks as fit as he ever did this early in the spring; not a mark of his previous campaigns on him. Francis J.'s first colt in this region is now on the grounds. The old mare, Greetings by Sable Wilkes, owned by B. H. Davis of Silverton, Ore., was bred to him last year, after she had almost been given up as a non-breeder. The first service resulted in one of the most perfect and handsomest colts ever seen on the grounds and, although she is 23 years old, she is brought back to be bred again. And that colt is a great ad. for Francis J.

Jean by Gambetta Wilkes, also in Grant's charge, has a nice yearling by Monterey 2:09¼ and will soon drop a colt by Francis J. Alex. gives Francis J. his work every day and still enjoys the brush with him as in days of yore.

There are no runners here yet, but with the good purses hung up for them this year, it is rumored that there will not only be many to race, but that quite a number will train here a little later.—Rural Spirit.

THE PROMISE OF THE FUTURE.

Seattle, Wash., Mar. 20, 1916.

Editor Breeder and Sportsman:

I have before me a recent copy of the Trotter and Pacer, on the front cover of which is a picture of San Francisco 2:07¾, the renowned son of Zombro, with Breeder Peter W. Hodges up. Looking at the picture brings back some pleasant memories to me, the picture being a reproduction of one taken during the season Mr. Hodges raced San Francisco on the Grand Circuit. It strikes me that California horsemen should be proud of Peter W. Hodges as the man who bred, raised and campaigned San Francisco, and while Mr. Hodges was, we may say, forced to sell his great horse to the Walnut Hall stock farm, yet in selling San Francisco he did the light harness horse world a great and lasting benefit, for San Francisco went right into the greatest collection of brood mares ever owned by one farm, and at that great nursery San Francisco has more than made good.

Mr. Hodges is not being heard of these days. Probably he is living in some quiet place educating a few San Francisco colts, as I know he had a few and I hope that he will soon come out with another and, if possible, a better horse than San Francisco. This same quiet gentleman, Mr. Hodges, is not only a good trainer but he proved himself an artist in the selection of blood lines, for not only did he breed San Francisco but also one of California's very fastest pacers, Copa de Oro 2:01. Therefore, it is about time for Hodges to spring a new equine king on the country. I hope he does and that he may sell one in 1916 for $50,000.

Thinking over Copa de Oro, Carlokin, King Lilly Pointer, Baronteer Todd, The Anvil, Vernon McKinney, The Proof, Derbertha Bells, Demonio, Arlie Demonio, Wilbur Lou, and the many other first class stallions now standing for public service in California, I wonder if the season of 1916 will be as busy as it should be. California horsemen should awaken to the fact that when the European war is over standard bred horses will be in big demand, and unless more breeding is done during 1916 than during the three years past, the Pacific Coast will be out of standard bred horses. Middle western breeders, eastern and southern breeds are preparing for the coming market, so it is up to California and the whole Pacific slope to be up and doing. Every farmer and fancier in California who owns a good mare should get busy and select the stallion from amongst the many good ones advertised and breed his mare early and nominate her in every Pacific coast stake, for by nominating his mare in the futurities the breeder has placed a better valuation not only on the foal but also on the dam.

I hope to live long enough to see the Pacific coast race tracks all open for business with plenty of horses and early racing. I think the game has been taking a vacation.

Let's hope that 1916 will be a busy and successful year. Horsemen should, one and all, assist in making prosperity for their own game. It is an old and true saying that "The Lord helps those who try to help themselves." Yours truly,

C. A. HARRISON.

"THE SHIP THAT NEVER RETURNED."

Several eastern contemporaries have dug up and circulated of late a clause from the will of the famous California reinsman, Thomas E. Keating, who died several years ago at Lexington, the wording of the same being as follows: "I am not and never have been married and I have no lawful or adopted children. Nevertheless, knowing the facility with whi persons are proved widows, lawful children or ado ed children of deceased persons, I give and bequea to any person who may prove to be my lawful wid the sum of $50, and the same sum to anyone provi to be my lawful or adopted child."

The precaution taken by Mr. Keating did not esta lish a precedent, as other men here in the west, a perhaps in the east, made similar provisions to d courage the attempts of pretenders to worm the selves in as beneficiaries of deceased persons, esp cially those of ostensibly no family, and while t executor of the Keating estate was not called up to pay out any money in fifty dollar chunks und this clause, the story calls to mind a certain sum ten times that amount which he failed to collect f the benefit of the estate on account of rather unusu grounds.

Some time before his departure for the east the campaign that was to be so unexpectedly inte rupted by the final summons to the judge's stand ar the imposing of the penalty that could not be r versed by any earthly tribunal, turf or civil, M Keating made a loan of five hundred dollars to brother trainer here in California who has droppe from view in the last few years and who has, qui probably, also run the race of life to a losing finis ere this. Affairs were not flourishing with the broth trainer for some months thereafter, and when Kea ing was ready to ship out the loan was as y unsettled. Tommy went to see his creditor, who ha his stable at the same course, and after some conve satiqn and explanation of circumstances it wa mutually agreed that the matter should be allowe to stand for the time being, the borrower assurin the payment of the obligation upon Keating's retur to California in the fall. With this understandin they separated never to meet again, Mr. Keating death coming in October of that year, 1900, at Le ington.

In due time the executor assumed charge of th estate, and in going over the papers of the decease reinsman found a memorandum of the loan mentione above, taking immediate steps to secure a settlemer of the same. The brother trainer who had been th beneficiary of the loan was still here in California not a thousand miles away from this city, and th executor had no trouble in locating him or in securin his admission that he owed the money. Furthe more he had the money in hand at the time an stated that he was ready to fulfill his last unde standing with his benefactor; that is, he would pa the five hundred dollars "whenever Tommy cam back to California." Interment having been made i Reno, Keating had failed to live up to his end of th agreement, according to the survivor's contention, s there remained, in his eyes at least, no obligation o his part. He stood pat, the matter was not in shap to make sufficient grounds for a suit, and the fiv hundred dollars was never paid.

IT MIGHT HAVE HAPPENED IN INDIANA.

The nomination of the champion pacer Our Thorp in the Royal Handicap, of 400 sovs, on the secon day of the Forbury Park Trotting Club's Summe Meeting, January 29 last, invested the event wit more than ordinary interest, as it was considered tha this brilliant horse would carry off another substan tial stake, with the possibility of providing spectator with something of a thrilling nature in doing so However, the O.Y.M. horse was unfortunate. Afte the second race, and prior to the Royal Handicap, h was sent out to give an exhibition of speed over a mile. It was not to be regarded as an attempt t lower the record, for the time was not being taker officially, and no purse was being offered by the club but Mr. Fleming decided to give the public an extra opportunity of seeing his horse in action. After a couple of preliminary rounds Our Thorpe dashed off accompanied by a pacemaker. On reaching the quarter-mile post he shied at a shadow thrown across the track by the starting post, and in attempting t jump it got tangled in his hopples, turned a complete somersault, and fell heavily. On his return to the paddock he appeared to be rather badly knocked about, having his knees skinned, his forehead grazed and was walking decidedly lame. It was impossible for him to appear on the track again during the afternoon, and his withdrawal from the Royal Handicap reduced the field to Emmeline and Eccentric. Emmeline, who also suffering from the effects of a fall, was not in the best of form, and was beaten by Eccentric over the mile and a quarter in 2:48 2-5.—Australian Trotting Record.

Notes and News

The Iowa State Fair is the first to adopt the new one-man judge rule and Magnus Flaws of Chicago has been tendered the appointment by E. J. Curtin, president of the Great Western Circuit, with the consent of Secretary Knight. Mr. Flaws has also been selected as starter at the South Dakota State Fair—his tenth year.

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The pacing mare Neva May 2:20¼ owned by Dr. R. J. Cluen of Parma, Idaho, was given through the season as untraced in various race reports from the northwest but it now develops that she's not so bad off for breeding after all, as she is by Suomi 2:16, a son of Zombro bred and owned by Tuttle Brothers of Rocklin, this state, while her dam is a daughter of Harold McKinney.

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Alex Wishart, who for some time has been head colt developer at Maple Lawn Farm, Delavan, Ill., the home of The Exponent and Trampfast, has given up that comfortable berth to accept Ned McCarr's former place as second trainer for Tommy Murphy, Ned having gone matineeing some weeks ago for the Pittsburgers. Wishart is one of the hardworking kind that Murphy requires, and as he has had the best of success in recent years the new combination ought to be a first class one.

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Gracie Pointer (4) 2:07¾, owned by Charley DeRyder, dropped a nice foal by Vernon McKinney 2:01½ Sunday night, a spooky little bay fellow wish as great a speed inheritance as the next one. Gracie Pointer was one of the fastest of all the Star Pointer 1:59¼ family, pacing below 2:05 as a three-year-old, while her dam was a daughter of Charles Derby 2:20, brother to the champion Klatawah (3) 2:05½ and sire in his own right of a goodly line of extremely fast pacers, including that grand old warrior Jim Logan, who shared the championship honors for three-year-olds with Klatawah and whose mile in 2:01¾ stamped him as the champion racing pacer of the Pacific coast.

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We present the following concerning the trotting mare Ella Mac 2:11½ for the benefit of the subscriber who made inquiry as to her present eligibility, it being his opinion that she was entitled to a time allowance in addition to the four seconds granted mile track performers when entered on half-mile courses: Ella Mac was raced in 1913, and while at no time during the season did she ever head a summary, she won one heat at Santa Rosa in 2:11½ in a three-heat, every-heat-a-race contest in which the total purse was divided into three equal parts with no added money awarded to the winner according to the standing in the summary at the conclusion of the event. Under these conditions each horse that won a heat in that race acquired a winrace record, and so appears in the winrace and eligibility book. Under the rules it is necessary that a horse race, in years subsequent to a winrace record, without winning a race or equaling his or her record in order to establish grounds for a time allowance, one second being allowed for each such season up to four, that being the limit of allowance. As Ella Mac has not been raced since acquiring the present winrace she carries she is eligible to the 2:12 class on mile tracks and to the 2:16 class on the small rings, allowance of four seconds to be claimed on the entry blank in writing whenever entry is made under the last provision.

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Will Durfee came up from Los Angeles to look after the various matters attendant upon the shipping of Copa de Oro to his new owner in New Zealand, and as usual had a hard time getting away from San Francisco and started for home—not that Chief White or Sheriff Finn lodged the Los Angeles county deputy in durance vile or that the wherewithal to make the return journey was lacking, a slight call at a local bank after the loading of Copa de Oro aboard the Moana straightening out that little matter. There were other business matters of more or less importance to be attended to, and William likes San Francisco and San Francisco likes William, so there you are. He looks like his winter's work had agreed with him in every respect, and both he and his horses will be ready for the fray when the bell rings at some of the early meetings that are staged in northern Ohio shortly before the Grand Season opens at North Randall. Virginia Barnette, Esperanza, White Sox and one or two others will be staked in a fair number of the early closers to which they are eligible, while they and others will be provided with engagements in the later closing purses. The Los Angeles trainers have been taking things rather more comfortably this winter than was the case last year, owing to the early meeting at the exposition, but speed making is beginning to be indulged in now and Will reports that there is quite a little on tap, and not all of it in his stable by a good deal. As Californians on the big line this summer will be few and far between Durfee will carry practically the undivided good wishes of all western horsemen.

Rodney J. MacKenzie, of whom his California friends have seen but little for the last several months, made a brief in and out visit here and at Pleasanton a few days ago, en route to the northwest after an eastern trip. After going over the local racing outlook and finding it none too promising, from his standpoint at least, he decided to ship practically all his trotting stock save a number of choice brood mares and stallions to the spring sale that Frank Kenney will hold May 2 to 5 at Indianapolis, where they "will sell under the watch." C. L. DeRyder, who has been Mr. MacKenzie's manager at Pleasanton and who is developing a strong penchant (with our customary apologies for the infringement of the Review's copyright) for the simple life as exemplified in the ownership of an alfalfa ranch and a bunch of fat cows, will follow the same course and join his consignment with that of his principal patron, the joint offerings being of a nature that should make them among the greatest attractions at the sale. There are well tried green trotters in the lot with demonstrated ability to trot around 2:08 or better, as well as some of the nicest younger things that the state of California affords at this moment. A more comprehensive mention of the consignments will be made at a future time, but right now we wish to congratulate Mr. Kenney and the prospective sale attendants upon the securing of this collection of horses. California can ill afford to lose them herself, as the ranks of our farms and racing stables are being badly depleted, but they will go with our best wishes for falling into good hands and delivering the goods in the very best manner.

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T. E. Pollock of Flagstaff, Arizona, near which city his Pinewood Stock Farm is located, was among the guests of the Palace hotel for several days of late, and while in his usual pleasant humor he had a slight "damper" put upon his enjoyment of the visit by a wire from home announcing the death of his great young trotter Pinewood (3) 2:24¼, considered by very many horsemen as one of the most promising youngsters in the land. This is the colt that created so much favorable comment at Pleasanton last spring prior to his purchase by Mr. Pollock, Ed Parker having made him and sold him at a good round figure. He was a son of Lijero 2:15½ and came from a line of stoutly bred producing dams, never showing the slightest indication of a desire to do anything but trot when in harness and turning a mile on the Pleasanton course right at 2:12 at that gait. He was started but twice last season, winning one race and being once third to Great Northern and Doctor Wayo at Albuquerque, being so good at Phoenix that Mr. Pollock thought better not to start him for fear of giving him a mark faster than was desirable that late in the season. That he was right as rain at that time he demonstrated fully by trotting the Phoenix track in 2:09¼ for Mr. Carman, the farm's trainer, the observers considering him to be up to a mile in 2:08 or better at that moment. Always inclined to be the boss of the outfit even as a two-year-old, it was thought that castration would prove beneficial and he was submitted to that operation with pleasing results. He had come around in excellent shape and was in great condition to take his spring work at the time Mr. Pollock left home and his death, from causes not made known in the telegraphic advice, is a severe disappointment, as he loomed as the best horse ever owned by Mr. Pollock and was to be pointed for a future career on the Grand Circuit.

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Fred W. Wadham, the well known southern California horsebreeder whose ranch is established in the heart of the flood country near Tia Juana, came through the recent stirring days with little pecuniary loss, owing to the fact that practically all of his property is on upland ground, enabling him to save all of his own stock and a great deal belonging to his neighbors, as well as to offer refuge and shelter to many of the unfortunate people who had their all washed away. Writing of the great disaster in a recent letter Mr. Wadham said in part: "The floods certainly made a clean sweep of the Tia Juana valley, the most fertile and productive section of San Diego county. One cannot realize the extent of the damage without having known the valley before and trying to compare it with the waste it is at present. The whole floor of the valley, at one time covered with alfalfa, corn and vegetables of all kinds, now looks like a desert and it will take years to redeem it. The greatest loss I myself had was the killing of a fine Airedale dog by the coast marines who were placed on patrol duty during the flood distress. This dog has been the guardian of my whole premises for the last seven years, family, stock and poultry, and I am glad to say that while performing all the duties of a well trained, well bred watch dog he has never bitten anybody. I was away from home when it happened and it is well that I was. If they had burned my house I could have rebuilt it, but I cannot bring back my steadfast friend and good and faithful servant. I am prosecuting the man who killed him and am also after the government for damages. The work the marines did down here was anything but complimentary to the service in many ways, and I am trying to make an example of this particular case." During the floods Mr. Wadham and his household were isolated from the balance of the world for nearly three weeks, receiving no mail or supplies during that time, and friends will join us in hoping that the experience is not one they will have to undergo again, and also in extending regrets for their loss.

Matt Zahner, who spent most of last season at the San Jose Driving Park and then went into winter quarters at Preston, is now at Hollister where he will have the pacing stallion Fred Branch in service.

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Mrs. H. E. Armstrong's famous matron Jessie M., dam of two in 2:10, by Del Norte 2:08, has foaled a fine baby to the cover of Joe Patchen II. 2:03¼, and will in all probably be mated this time with Vernon McKinney. Henry Smith has bred Della H. 2:10 to the same sire and the fast daughter of Hal B. and Jessie M. should prove very productive of extreme speed from such a cross.

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In answer to the inquiry of a Fresno subscriber for the breeding of Bodaker 2:13 we present the following information: Roan horse, foaled 1904, A. T. R. Number 59130, by Antrim 5918, son of Aberdeen 57; first dam Birdie by Jay Bird 5060, a good speed siring son of George Wilkes; second dam Lady Lyle by George Wilkes; third dam Dame Tansey by Daniel Lambert 102; fourth dam Quarter, untraced. The first three dams are producers and Bodaker trialed several seconds faster than his record, and while bred to but few mares is the sire of Sis Bodaker, that trotted last spring at Pleasanton close to 2:10.

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Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Albright Jr. of Newark, New Jersey, who have been spending the winter in southern California as is their usual custom, were registered at the St. Francis for a few days this week, their stay in San Francisco being entirely too short to please the numerous friends of each in the bay country. Mr. Albright's original intentions were to spend some time in this vicinity and have a look over the trotters and pacers at various nearby training points, but unforeseen circumstances prevented such a course and his local journeying was confined to one day at Pleasanton Driving Park, which has always exercised a wonderful drawing power upon all of our eastern visitors who are fond of the harness horse. Mr. Albright's home establishment, Prospect Farm, already numbers a fair quota of California-bred mares and their ranks will shortly be augmented by the addition of a number purchased during the present season. Baby Doll 2:10¼, the sister to the excellent futurity trotter and producer Katalina 2:11¼, bought by Mr. Albright on a former visit to California, was one of his early purchases this spring, while she will be accompanied on her eastern journey by half a dozen others that are distinguished in one or several of the important respects that contribute to equine excellence, including Inferlotta 2:04¾ by Inferna 2:15½ and out of that four-time producer of 2:08 speed, Carlotta Wilkes; Rose Gifford by Rex Gifford 2:14; Lilly S. (dam of Zomrect 2:12¼, King Lilly Pointer 2:14, etc.), by Direct 2:05½; and the Zombro mares Bessie Tea 2:22, Marie G. (sister to Clara G. 2:22¾, her dam being Wilhelmina by Woolsey, the brother to Sunol 2:08¼), and Zomzar (dam of the trotter El Carbine (2) 2:27¼, for whom the New Zealand folks paid John S. Mabel a healthy price some seasons ago) out of Alcanzara by Alcazar 2:20½. Shipment of this band will be made from Los Angeles on April 15, and it is possible that the car will contain a few others when the time comes to load out.

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A meeting of the directors of the Sonoma and Marin District Fair Association was held last Saturday morning in Santa Rosa and steps were taken toward the holding of a pretentious county fair and race meeting some time in August, an arrangement of dates being desired that would give Santa Rosa the first meeting of the season in this section of California. In recognition of the wide public demand for the fair and the benefits accruing to the community at large from the staging of the event, definite action was deferred until April twelfth, when another meeting will be held in which all the improvement bodies and agricultural associations of the district will participate and at which time resolutions backed by every one of these organizations will be drawn up requesting that the county supervisors make an appropriation of public funds for the benefit of the project. The request will be so well backed from so many widely varied interests and neighborhoods that there is every reason to believe that the supervisors will accord it favorable action, and this, coupled with the support derived from the business men of Santa Rosa, will give the association ample funds for putting on a really great fair. Moreover it is possible, though not yet definitely arranged, that the P. C. T. H. B. A. will cast their lot with the Sonoma folks and give their annual Breeders' meeting in conjunction with the fair, a course that met with such abundant success a few seasons ago. Mr. Edward H. Brown, prime mover of the many projects of a publicity nature carried to such successful conclusions by the Santa Rosans in recent years, was in this city a few days ago and had a long talk with representatives of the Breeders' Association on this particular subject, definite negotiations to be resumed after the meeting on April 12. Santa Rosa is anxious for the Breeders to bring their meeting there, no better facilities are offered in this part of the state for staging the colt stakes of that organization and the extensive program of purse races usually provided by them, and a pooling of interests along the lines suggested herein will doubtless prove highly satisfactory to both horsemen and promoters.

Thoroughbred Matters

DEATH CLAIMS J. J. GRANT.

Another chapter in the "passing of Emeryville" was written early this week when Marshal E. J. Carey of the town of that name called at the Mills Hotel, 1354 Park Avenue, to take his old friend Jim Grant on one of their frequent little rides about the country. Failing to meet the Marshal or to answer to the room call, an informal entrance to the room was made which revealed that the widely known old horseman had answered the call for the last long ride, heart failure having caused his death just a little earlier in the day.

Jesse James Grant, to give the deceased the full name which was seldom heard among his legion of friends, was one of the most widely known of the elder generation of horsemen on this coast. For many years prominently identified with the racing operations of Theodore Winters and J. B. Haggin, he achieved high rank in his calling as a trainer of thoroughbreds, while for the decade prior to its closing he was superintendent of the Emeryville race track, a position whose numerous duties he discharged in a manner most agreeable to his employers and in which he added greatly to his acquaintance and popularity among horsemen and the racegoing public. He had to all appearances been in the best of health and but three days before his death had celebrated the sixtieth anniversary of his birth. He was unmarried and was survived by but one brother, Angus Grant of Carson, Nevada, who arrived in time to be present at the funeral services, which were held under the auspices of the Masonic lodge. Mr. Grant was a worthy citizen of the community in which he had for so long made his home and for a number of years had served in the capacity of Trustee for the Town of Emeryville. His passing will stir a regretful chord in the hearts of his neighbors and of countless numbers of horsemen of high and low degree scattered throughout the world.

JOCKEY CLUB TO EXPERIMENT IN REMOUNT BREEDING.

With the matter of the future supply of cavalry horses in America assuming greater importance daily, the Jockey Club has determined upon an experiment which will be watched with a great deal of interest, as the outcome of the project will have a far-reaching effect upon the remount breeding industry in this country. Through its breeding bureau the parent association has made a donation of a number of excellent mares, of various types and breeds, to the Genesee Breeders and Farmers' Association in the Genesee valley, near Rochester, New York, with the stipulation in the deed of gift that the mares are to be mated with the thoroughbred stallions controlled by the bureau and now located in that section of the state, famed for the fertility of its pasture lands and the excellence and abundance of its water. The experiment is to continue through a period of years, and by the process of selection and elimination, in the ranks of sires, dams and produce, it is believed that the proper nick for the production of the most desirable type of cavalry horse will be determined. For bringing the highly important project to a reality, horse breeders are indebted to the activities of Mrs. Herbert Wadsworth, president of the association in the Genesee valley, who made the suggestions which induced the Jockey Club to extend its co-operation. The wide range of the experiment is best recognized by a consideration of the numerous families of horses represented in the following list of the mares placed with members of the association at a recent date:

Chestnut mare of the thoroughbred type, about 15.3, five years old, by Glendalough (thoroughbred), out of a half-bred mare. Mare bred in Virginia and has been used as a saddle horse.

Gray Irish mare, Bally Raggat, 11, bred in Ireland, by Windsor Scratch out of half-bred mare.

Bay mare, docked, twelve years old, by a Kentucky saddle horse, out of a registered trotting mare. This mare has had two foals and is reported as an excellent mother.

One heavy gray mare of unknown breeding, ten years old, and rather a Percheron type.

Black saddle mare, 6, 16 hands, by Kentucky saddle stallion. Bred in Kentucky and sold in New York by S. T. Harbison.

Ravena, 13, by Clifford, out of Bar Maid II. Bar Maid II. was by Laureate out of Bar Maid. Bar Maid was by Tipperary out of Lucy Fowler (dam of Tom Bowling).

Mink (see American Morgan Register No. 3), ch m, 1904, by Bob Morgan—Sorrell by Moses. Bred to Bion, Russian Orloff stallion (1905), gr h. Record 2:21½.

Lady Grey, English riding mare. Age and breeding not known. Bred to The Harvester (1905), record 2:01, by Walnut Hall—Notelet by Moko.

Chestnut mare, four years old, by Kavalli, registered trotting stallion, out of Exlex (thoroughbred).

Chestnut mare, 4, by Kavalli, out of Cito (thoroughbred).

Bay mare, 4, by Kavalli, out of Artiste II. (thoroughbred).

Bay mare, 5, by Kavalli, out of Forray II. (thoroughbred).

Bay mare, 5, Fair Hit (thoroughbred), by Omaha, out of Hit or Miss.

Oratress, brown mare, 10 (thoroughbred), 16 hands, by Maddison out of Brooklet.

Bay mare, 9 (thoroughbred), by Omaha, dam Zerelda.

Bay mare, by Meadowthorpe or Woolsthorpe, mare by Tea Tray.

Bay mare, 5, 16 hands, Louie Grice, by Bryn Mawr, out of Dolly Wagner (thoroughbred), scar below left shoulder, but perfectly sound.

Bay mare, 4, by Kavalli, out of Wyr (thoroughbred)-

Chestnut mare, 5 (thoroughbred), by Omaha, out of Jane Randolph.

Pete Clark, the form chart expert, who made his way back to his old haunts here in California at the close of the winter meeting at Juarez, stopped at San Diego en route and took a run across the line to the rehabilitated plant of the Lower California Jockey Club at Tia Juana, where he found the work of repairing the damage done by the floods rapidly nearing completion, with horses in goodly numbers arriving for the re-opening of the course on Saturday, April 15. Juarez had a rather light season owing to the various complications arising from the turmoil existing in the land of the little brown brother, and while there were a few uneasy days among the horsemen there no severe discomforts were experienced and the track will reopen as usual next Thanksgiving day.

DATES FOR CANADIAN RACING.

Ontario Jockey Club, Toronto, May 20 to May 27.

Dorval Jockey Club, Montreal, May 29 to June 5.

Montreal Jockey Club, Montreal, June 6 to June 13.

Connaught Park Jockey Club, Ottawa, June 15 to June 22.

Hamilton Jockey Club, Hamilton, June 24 to July 1.

Niagara Racing Association, Fort Erie, July 4 to July 11.

Windsor Jockey Club, Windsor, July 15 to July 22.

Hamilton Jockey Club, Hamilton, July 26 to August 2.

Niagara Racing Association, Fort Erie, August 5 to August 12.

Windsor Jockey Club, Windsor, August 16 to August 23.

Connaught Park Jockey Club, Ottawa, August 26 to September 2.

Montreal Jockey Club, Montreal, September 4 to September 11.

Dorval Jockey Club, Montreal, September 13 to September 20.

Ontario Jockey Club, Toronto, September 23 to September 30.

PAST PERFORMANCES OF THE DERBY CANDIDATES.

A couple of weeks ago we presented the list of entrants in the classic Kentucky Derby which will be run on May 13 at Churchill Downs, and now append a compilation of the past performances of the various candidates in their two-year-old form. It will be found of interest not only in doping out your favorite for the Derby but for preservation for future reference, as the list includes nearly three score of the choicest and most prominent youngsters in America, only six of which failed to race in 1915. The stake as it stands at present is worth $11,400, and as the starting fee is $200 and it is believed that fifteen to eighteen colts will participate in the contest it should be worth close to fifteen thousand dollars in all. We are indebted to the Thoroughbred Record for the following statistics:

Horse.	Sts.	1st	2d	3d	Unp.	Won
Thunderer	3	3	0	0	0	$17,385
Dominant	5	3	2	0	0	18,965
Chicle	4	2	0	1	1	1,665
Bromo	8	2	4	0	2	7,336
Slipshod	8	3	1	1	3	2,715
*Clapperbill	2	2	0	0	0	1,000
Hansa	1	1	0	0	0	300
Polroma	13	2	0	2	9	1,032
Col. Vennie	14	6	0	2	6	3,475
Sanward	Did not race.					
Fleuro	8	1	1	3	3	798
Julia L.	5	4	0	0	1	1,365
*Neville II.	2	1	0	0	1	500
Mustard	11	1	1	4	5	625
White Hackle	5	3	2	0	0	1,340
Hesperus	Did not race.					
*Star Hawk	6	2	1	1	2	3,225
*The Cock	4	0	0	0	4	.....
King Gorin	1	1	0	0	0	390
Hops	6	1	0	0	5	490
Big Smoke	11	2	3	3	3	5,301
Pockichoo	7	1	3	2	1	1,432
*Desmond's Day	3	0	0	0	3	.....
Blind Baggage	Did not race.					
Baffouilleur	Did not race.					
Esprit Gaulois	Did not race.					
Prince Harry	14	5	3	1	5	2,585
Ethel May	6	0	0	1	5	76
George Smith	12	9	0	0	3	10,140
St. Isidore	6	3	3	0	0	1,505
Dodge	17	10	4	1	2	11,355
Franklin	12	3	4	1	4	2,012
Spur	12	2	5	1	4	2,375
Bank	7	2	0	3	1	525
Greenwood	18	2	1	2	13	800
Huffaker	7	1	0	0	6	465
Cosmic	8	3	1	3	1	1,720
Kinney	6	2	1	1	2	4,747
Votary	4	2	1	0	1	825
Meadoworth	2	0	0	0	2	.....
Lubelski	Did not race.					
Churchill	7	0	1	0	6	100
Candle	27	6	6	5	10	4,440
J. J. Murdock	13	2	1	2	8	910
Jack O'Dowd	10	2	5	1	2	1,919
Checks	10	5	2	1	2	5,015
Gillies	3	1	0	0	2	5,975
Gipsey George	9	3	2	0	4	2,840
Lena Misha	3	1	0	0	2	2,325
Ed Bond	5	0	9	2	3	60
Bulse	6	5	0	0	1	9,665
Dr. Moore	3	1	0	0	2	490
Heir Apparent	7	1	1	2	3	575
Dick Williams	11	2	2	1	6	1,219
Blackie Daw	15	9	3	1	2	9,644
Skeer Face	2	1	0	0	1	175

*Raced in England.

JOHN E. MADDEN'S YOUNGSTERS.

A good start is half the battle according to all the accepted dope of the race track, especially in the sprints, but John Madden figures the good start as a consummation devoutly to be hoped for at all times. Long before the season opens John usually gets off right foot first by shipping the young 'uns to the track at which they are to open the season, selecting St. Patrick's Day as a highly appropriate occasion for making the shift, this time sending to Churchill Downs on the day of the patron saint of the Emerald Isle the following formidable array of colts and fillies:

Marse Henry, br c (3), by Ben Brush—Nun's Cloth by Melton.

Petrograd, ch c (2), by Peter Quince—Carthagena by St. Carlo.

Chestnut colt (2), by George Kessler—Cottage Girl by Hidalgo.

Brown colt (2), by Marta Santa—Divination by Horoscope.

Chestnut colt (2), by Watercress—Enterprise by Bathampton.

Oakwood Boy ch c (2), by Salvation—Escarola by Amigo.

Bay colt (2), by Cyclades—My Bessie by The Commoner.

Bay colt (2), by Rockton—Qnaga by Clifford.

Chestnut colt (2), by McGee—Sanfara by Ingoldsby.

Rebel, ch c (2), by Salvation—La Sinaloa by Emperor of Norfolk.

Brown gelding (2), by Plaudit—Meritorious by Miller.

Bay filly (2), by Hessian—Flora Basset by Bassetlaw.

Bay filly (2), by Hessian—Lychee Nut by Sir Modred.

Lightfoot, b f(2), by Fair Play—Lucy Cross by St. Simon.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

ALIENS VIOLATE GAME REGULATIONS.

Once again the Fish and Game Commission is confronted with the problem of curbing aliens who violate the game regulations. During the week a number of arrests and convictions were made. Joe Fartayan, a Frenchman, was apprehended at Novato for hunting without a license and having live quail in his possession. The game deputies also seized six snare traps that he had in his possession. He was fined $50.

Alexander Michir was convicted at Cloverdale for having deer meat in his possession and was taxed $50. L. M. Wonderly and F. C. Steenhofer were caught at Maple Creek with deer meat. The former pleaded guilty and was fined $25, while Steenhofer demanded a jury trial. Boze Spika (some name, eh?) was detected hunting without a license and drew a fine of $25. Eli Malardvich and George Gordon were also taken into custody at Rosevale for being without a license.

The numerous violations bears out the estimate of the Fish and Game authorities that aliens are guilty in 80 per cent of the cases. There has been some agitation for a law preventing aliens from having firearms in their possession, but so many legal tangles would result that no move in that direction has been made. Pennsylvania has such a law, but back there it is said that the aliens as a rule are of the lower classes, while in California we have some high class aliens who would be unjustly treated by a hard and fast law.

TROUT SEASON OPENS IN WASHINGTON.

State Game Warden L. H. Darwin has issued a circular letter to the county game wardens throughout Washington drawing their attention to the early open season and suggesting that sportsmen be notified in time to get out their yearly licenses. The letter follows:

To all Game Wardens, State of Washington:

Gentlemen: I desire to call your attention to the fact that the open season for the taking of trout commences his year on April 1, a month earlier than last year, when the open season started May 1.

I wish you would secure as much publicity in your local papers for this as possible to the end that all may be fully advised and have the same opportunity for getting out on the opening day.

In this connection I also desire to suggest that you make your own arrangements regarding proper police work on that day.

By calling attention to the fishing season opening a month earlier than last year you can undoubtedly largely increase the taking out of licenses before April 1. Respectfully,

L. H. DARWIN,
State Game Warden.

BRITISH SOLDIERS CANNOT HUNT WITHOUT A LICENSE.

An interesting point was raised at Malton last Saturday as to whether a soldier needs a gun license to shoot over land. It arose in the case of Trooper C. Bradshaw, of the Queen's Own Yorkshire Hussars, who was summoned for using a gun without a license at Amotherby on January 14th. The police evidence showed that defendant, when home on leave, was seen shooting rabbits, and when asked if he had a license replied that he was a soldier, and did not need one, adding that it was a caution if he could not have a bit of practice when on leave. The Chairman (Sir William Worsley) said defendant was laboring under a mistaken idea. Soldiers could only shoot by order of their commanding officers, and could not use guns without a license. A fine of 10s. was imposed. We believe that quite a number of soldiers are under the impression that they can shoot rabbits, ttc., without taking out a gun license.—Shooting Times and British Sportsman.

RIFLE NOTES OF CALIFORNIA.

F. C. Taylor won the Members's Match shot by the Mt. Tamalpais Military Academy Rifle Club of San Rafael, Cal., with a score of 94.

Ernest Woodbury was the winner of the Members' Match shot by the Sacramento High School Rifle Club, score 96.

The winner of the Members' Match shot by the California Grays Rifle Club of San Francisco was H. R. Christiansen, who scored 114.

With a score of 130 Geo. Von Breyman of Bicknell won the Members' Match shot by the Santa Maria Rifle Club.

F. F. Clark won the Members' Match shot by the Pasadena Rifle and Revolver Club with a score of 148.

The Members' Match shot by the Fort Bragg Rifle Club was won by Dr. W. C. Scott, score 110.

Largely through the good offices of the Red Bluff Rifle Club a company of National Guardsmen has been formed, with 94 names on the preliminary roll. It is expected that both indoor and outdoor ranges will be built by the State and be made available for use by rifle clubs, but the Red Bluff club expects to maintain its own range.

Resolutions commending the activities of the National Rifle Association in promoting civilian rifle training have been adopted by the Red Bluff Rifle Club and transmitted to the Senators and Representatives from California. "This club approves the plan and purposes of the National Rifle Association, and regards the idea of encouraging the use of arms and the practice of shooting by citizens as a very worthy object," the resolutions read. "We commend to your favorable consideration the activities of the N. R. A., and ask that you support any proposals or requests for legislation or assistance that may be made by said association for government aid in the construction of rifle practice ranges or the use of such ranges by civilians, and for the issuance of free ammunition for the Springfield rifles or rifle clubs or for any other reasonable requests in such matters."

Representative Raker of California has written to the N. R. A. that rifle clubs in his district are interested in these matters and he desires to intelligently co-operate with the association in the matter.

There is talk of forming a rifle club at Los Molinos.

COMING KENNEL SHOWS ON COAST.

March 30-April 1—Seattle Kennel Club, Seattle, Washington.

April 5-7—Victoria City Kennel Club, Victoria, B. C.

April 27-29—Golden Gate Kennel Club, Dreamland Rink, San Francisco.

September 4-7—Spokane Kennel Club, Spokane, Washington.

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First day's attendance at Westminster was the record for the club—7,500 paid admissions. A tribute to the dog.

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The largest dog in the show was Col. Jacob Ruppert's Ch. Lady Lyndon, tipping the scales at 240. Some St. Bernard. The smallest, Mme. Carreno's toy black and tan, Ch. Karno Little Britton.

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Dr. M. C. Hall, of the United States Bureau of Animal Industry, has published a bulletin in which he points out that the domestic status of the dog has not yet been adapted to the hygienic requirements of modern life, tand declares hat the destruction of all superfluous dogs, including those that are ownerless or whose owners do not keep them at home and in a sanitary condition, would mean an annual saving of hundreds of human lives, and an increase of millions of dollars in the wealth of the nation. He points out especially the danger of letting dogs take too great liberties with human beings; as for example, licking the baby's face or the children's candy.

The regular 50 target spoon shoot at the Youghiogheny Country Club, in spite of extreme cold weather, was held and well attended on March 18th. Dr. Heisey was high gun, winning the spoon in "A" class with a 44 out of a possible 50. He was closely followed by John Stallings with a 43, he and Stallings being tied in the first two events. Dr. Howder won the spoon in "B" class with a 39 out of a possible 50 and Napier the spoon in "C" class with a 32 out of 50, and A. M. Young the spoon in "D" class with 29 out of 50.

NEW GAME CLUB ORGANIZED.

Randall (Wash.), March 21.—A rod and gun club has been formed here under the imposing title of the Randle Song & Game Gird, Game Animal & Game Fish Association. Officers have been elected as follows: C. H. McMillion, president; H. A. Smith, secretary-treasurer. C. A. Huntington, game warden for Lewis and vicinity, and R. K. Peters, for Randle and vicinity, were the originators.

The object of the club is to protect song and insectivorous birds, game birds, game animals and game fish; to see that game laws are enforced; to encourage the propagation of game and game fish, and to secure such legislation as may conduct to these purposes.

Randle is the center for big game hunters, and the formation of such an association is especially timely now. Hundreds come in to hunt on the Cispus and around Lewis. There have been many violations of the law on account of the vast territory covered, as these violations have occurred in such remote places that apprehensions are difficult.

The purpose is also to build up a sentiment to protect game and to comply with the naw. The association is modeled after that of Pierce county and will be glad to affiliate with others in this county as well as with the state association. A large membership was secured at the very first meeting.

GOLDEN GATE TO HAVE BIG SHOW.

To judge from the number of inquiries received by O. F. Vedder, superintendent of the Golden Gate Kennel Club, the coming show will be the largest ever held by the club. Already a number of eastern kennel clubs have come forward with trophies, while local fanciers have been quick to respond to the postal cards sent them asking that they donate prizes. Indications are for a five-point show.

George W. Quintard, owner of the famous Ridgeway Fox Terrier kennels at Bayside, Long Island, will personally bring on Matford Vic and Wireboy of Paington for the show. Jack Bradshaw will exhibit a large string, including his famous bulldog, Country Model. Dr. Billings will show Bilmer Bingo, his crack home-bred Airedale. Dr. T. Martin Smith will show the crack fox terrier Art Smith, along with several others equally as good. Dr. Thomas Creely is getting a string ready for the big event, and A. S. Chisholm will show his well-known brace of bulldogs, Ridgeway Gertie Bertnana and Mackworth Bertie. William Valleas will show Berseker. H. M. Robertson of Pasadena will bring a large string of blue-blooded dogs. A large southern entry is expected. Mrs. Anita Baldwin is also expected to send along her well-known kennel of prize winners.

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Peter B. Kyne, the noted writer of magizine stories, writes as follows from Thousand Oaks, Berkeley:

"In conjunction with Mr. Henry Gutsch of Berkeley I have 'gone in' for English bulldogs, and, with good luck, Mr. Gutsch and I will have, by the end of this week, a kennel of as fine English bulldogs as anyone could wish for.

"At the present time we have but one brood bitch, Baroness Swasher, out of Ch. Dundee Swasher, ex. Forfarshire Frolic. She is a bitch with a wonderful body and hard to fault. She has never been benched, having been in whelp during show season. At present we have three beautiful bitches out of her first litter, and it is our intention to enter the three at the Kennel Club show. We hope to get at least first with one of these young bitches.

"Baroness Swasher is now in whelp to Berseker. At the present time we are negotiating with the hope of acquiring a stud dog of considerable repute."

CASTING RECORD IN SOUTH.

Los Angeles, Cal.—E. J. Kennedy established a new club record in heavy tackle distance fly at the contest of the Southern California Rod and Reel Club held at Eastlake Park March 11, by achieving a mark of ninety feet and six inches. Mr. Kennedy entered five events and took first place in four.

In a special team event George Griffey and A. E. Perkins defeated Oscar Lane and E. J. Kennedy.

A. Bauer of Chicago, a former president of the National Association of Scientific Angling Clubs, was present and watched the contest with interest.

Three fly and three bait events were scheduled, and the winners and their scores were as follows:

Accuracy fly—Charles Van Horn 98 9-15, E. J. Kennedy 98 7-15, E. M. McKenney 98 1-5.

Heavy tackle distance fly—E. J. Kennedy 90 feet 6 inches, Charles Van Horn 79 feet, J. J. Low 73 feet 6 inches.

Heavy tackle dry fly accuracy—E. J. Kennedy 99, Charles Van Horn 98.6, J. J. Low 96.8.

Half-ounce accuracy bait—E. J. Kennedy 98.1, A. Greenbaum 97.8, Oscar Lane 97.6.

Half-ounce distance bait—E. J. Kennedy 199.8, Oscar Lane 156.2, A. Greenbaum 149.8.

Two and one-half ounce distance bait—George Griffey 204.4, A. E. Perkins 193.5, Sherman Baker 79.6.

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Game Bag Limits.—The daily game bag limit on ducks in the various states which have a bag limit on wildfowl is as follows: George, 50; Oregon, 30; California, Utah, Arizona, Nebraska, Iowa, Arkansas, Louisiana, Alabama, Connecticut, Michigan, Ohio, New York, Florida, 25; Idaho, 24; Washington, Nevada, Montana, Colorado, New Mexico, South Dakota, Kansas, Vermont, New Hampshire, Mississippi, Tennessee, New Jersey, Delaware, 20; Wyoming, 18; New Jersey, Delaware, 20; Wyoming, 18; North Dakota, Minnesota, Missouri, Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Massachusetts, 15; Oklahoma, 10; Maine, 10. Texas, Kentucky, Pennsylvania, West Virginia, Virginia, Rhode Island, North Carolina, South Carolina and Maryland have no bag limit on migratory water-fowl.

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Fishing Off Hilo.—Two ardent fishermen are now on Wawaii in the persons of J. W. Jump and H. L. Morris, mainlanders and men who travel all over the world to get a chance at the big game fish that patrol the oceans. The two visitors landed at Kawaihae from the Mauna Kea on Wednesday a week ago and they will wait there until their own power campan, the "Dixie Maru," reac hes that port. The sampan is a wonderfully fitted out boat and she is run by electricity, storage batteries being installed on the craft. She can make good speed and she is fitted out regardless of cost.

The fishermen had great luck off Maui, Molokai and Oahu and they have put up world's records for tuna fishing. Other game fish have also been landed by the experts and last Tuesday, off Oahu, Mr. Jump landed a twenty-three pound fish on a nine- ounce rod.

The mainlanders intend to fish all around this island, and they are making strenuous efforts to have H. V. Patten and Dr. Schoening, Hawaii's expert fishermen, join them for a few days' cruising.—Hilo Herald.

Sportsmen's Row

Willard Terrill, one of the popular trap-shooting boosters of San Francisco, leaves in a few days for Wilmington, Del., to accept a position with the Du Pont Company. Terrill's departure is the source of much regret for he was always a prime favorite.

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The Golden Gate Club is out to encourage the lady members to come out to the traps oftener. Through the efforts of some of the prominent members a reception room has been built to the clubhouse for the exclusive use of the fair shooters. The place will be fitted up nicely and it is hoped the lady shots will take advantage of the cordial invitation extended to them.

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Ever know that Billy Price is one of the pioneer bicycle riders of San Francisco? 'Tis a fact. He was a member of the famous Bay City Wheelmen, and don't be surprised if he is on a bike out with the old-timers when they hold their revival at the Park Stadium on April 9th.

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Clarence Nauman is another well-known shot who formerly secured pleasure out of wheeling. Billy is trying to get Clarence to turn out, too.

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Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney of New York is the first woman to take tarpon in the Useppa Island waters this season. Her name was entered first on the list in the woman's class for prizes.

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Members of the Shaver Lake Fishing Club of Fresno will hold their annual outing at the Shaver Lake clubhouse this year. The date for the trip will be May 20. About sixty members agreed on the proposition at the annual Italian dinner of the club given last Saturday night. Happenings at the outings in past years were related at the dinner. General M. W. Muller was tosatmaster.

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The Los Angeles Gun Club moved from Venice to its new home last week and by hard work and long hours succeeded in installing one trap so that the boys could try out their guns, March 12th. These grounds are situated four miles east of the post office at Los Angeles, and inside the city limits, with a number of surface lines running to the grounds, all of which are 5-cent car fare. By automobile it is ten minutes' ride from any of the sporting goods stores. Our official address is 4101 Alhambra Ave. We have leased ten acres of ground from the Huntington Estate, and shoot to the north. A row of large "gum" trees throw their shade entirely over the shooters' platform, which will be highly appreciated in this land of almost perpetual sunshine.

Our grand opening will take place on April 2nd. A free barbecue will be served.

LOS ANGELES GUN CLUB,
FRED H. TEEPLE, Sec'y.

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The State game farm is still being conducted at Haward, Cal. The Commission is making arrangements to fix up the lease and discontinue operations, per the order of the Board of Control which considered that the game farm was too great an expense. Applications have been made to the Commission from many quarters for the permission and license to conduct private game farms.

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A. A. Durney is one of the enthusiastic members of the Alameda Elks who is taking an active interest in the trap-shooting sport. He was out to the opening and showed a deal of skill in breaking the blue rocks.

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The Fish and Game Commission is now located in commodious and spacious quarters in the New Call Building, San Francisco. Licenses and other business of the Commission will be transacted there in the future.

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The report current in some sections that the elk in Jackson Hole, Wyo., were starving to death is untrue, as the animals are in better shape than they usually are at this time of the year and there is plenty of feed for them. A few calves have died and there are a few cases of "scab" among the old bulls, which is not unusual, but generally speaking, the animals are in good condition.

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..The casting pcol of the Tacoma (Wash.) Bait and Fly Casting Club at Point Defiance Park is creating a deal of favorable comment in the northwest. This sunken lagoon is a natural beauty spot and an ideal place for casting, as the casters are sheltered from every catspaw of wind. The Pacific Northwest tournament was held there last August and it proved to be such a fine location for casting meets that the Tacoma casters determined to hold their club contests there in future.

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H. Gooding Field, a prominent authority on game fish in Hawaiian waters, is paying San Francisco a visit. Mr. Field recently entertained Fredk. Burnham of Martinez with a wonderful fishing trip around Honolulu.

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Bryon Kennedy, a 15-year-old lad of Savannah, Ga., has established a reputation as a shooter of big



We have with us a likeness of Toney Prior, the San Francisco crack who is starting the season with a bang. He was high gun at the Golden Gate shoot and carried off the honors last Sunday at San Jose.

game. He recently chased a big wild cat into a swamp and did not show up at home until he walked in with the dead animal across his shoulders. The cat was full grown.

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Said the game warden of Kansas to the game warden of Oklahoma: "I'll trade you 500 pairs of quail for 500 fish." And, thereupon, was the swap made, "sight unseen," as we boys used to say.

Miss Marian Fuller of Boston, an enthusiastic sportswoman, recently killed a white deer in the Adirondack Mountains. This deer had been seen by hunters for several years past, and many have shot at it, only to score failures. It had so many escapes that it became known as the "phantom deer." White deer are very rarely shot, and Miss Fuller has offered this specimen to the Museum of Natural History of Ne wYork. She says that every girl should spend a couple of months in the open each year.

COAST CLUBS JOIN A. A. T. A.

The American Amateur Trapshooters' Association, the shooters' new national supervisory body of which John Philip Sousa is President, has now completed its organization in thirty-nine states. In each state a Vice-president has been elected who will head the state organization and represent the various units in the National Council. The secretaries of the affiliated clubs in each state constitute the Council of State Secretaries, which, under the direction of the State Vice-President, will carry on the work of the Association. The State Organizations follow. The Pacific Coast clubs included in this list have all become affiliated with the Association; they have already held successful shoots for the official A. A. T. A. medals, and are as follows:

CALIFORNIA

Vice-President—Not yet elected.

Affiliated Club—San Jose Blue Rock Gun Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

MONTANA

Vice-President—Frank Conley of Deer Lodge (President Montana State Sportsmen's Association).

Affiliated Clubs—Forsyth Gun Club of Forsyth, J. L. Crawford, Secretary; Billings Rod & Gun Club of Billings, A. H. McArthur, Secretary.

NEBRASKA

Vice-President—Not yet elected.

Affiliated Clubs—Cody Gun Club of Cody, L. E. Brown, Secretary; Fremont Trapshooting Club of Fremont, C. H. Stoney, Secretary.

NEVADA

Vice-President—Not yet elected.

Affiliated Club—Star Pointer Gun Club of Ruth, J. E. Eudey, Secretary.

OREGON

Vice-President—H. H. Veatch of Cottage Grove (President Oregon State Sportsmen's Association).

Affiliated Clubs—Portland Gun Club of Portland, Frank Templeton, Secretary; Saint Helene Trapshooting Club of Saint Helene; Wellsdale Gun Club of Albany, C. G. Dodels, Secretary.

UTAH

Vice-President—John F. Cowan of Salt Lake City (President Utah State Sportsmen's Association).

WASHINGTON

Vice-President—Not yet elected.

Affiliated Clubs—Eagle Gun Club of Blaine, F. L. Gott, Secretary; Green Lake Gun Club of Seattle, W. C. Smith, Secretary; Idawa Gun Club of Balouse, E. L. Taylor, Secretary; Seattle Trapshooting Association of Seattle, W. B. Taft, Secretary; Spokane Gun Club of Spokane, Al. Wieseman, Secretary.

Hunters report hundreds of deer being slaughtered by wolves in northern Minnesota. The deep snow, thawing and feezing, which forms a crust strong enough to support the wolves, but which lets the deer through, has made the deer become an easy prey for these ravagers.

YOU CANNOT TRADE LICENSE.

It is apt to be rather a costly matter for Vancouver hunters who take the risk of going out to hunt without obtaining a license. In January at Point Grey, Arthur T. Welsh and T. H. Williams were each fined $50 and costs, Williams for shooting on Welsh's license and Welsh for permitting it to be done. The two men were caught in the woods in the vicinity of where the wardens are spreading out feed for the pheasants. They claimed, however, to be looking for wild ducks and had two spaniels with them.

An interesting coincidence was that Mr. Welsh had been summoned only ten days before for shooting without a license, but got off on suspended sentence on a plea that he had sent his brother to take out the license for him and did not know that it had not been taken out.

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Beavers Ordered Killed.—Beavers did so much damage at Merry Brook, Victoria County, N. B., that it became necessary for the Department of Lands and Mines to issue instructions to the game warden in that section to kill a number of them.

A colony of beavers were damming the brook so successfully as to cause destruction of property in that section and the residents asked that some measures be taken to protect their interests. The only way out of the situation was to order the game warden to kill some of the beavers.

Ten of the beavers were accordingly killed and their skins sold by the Department. The colony of beavers near Merry Brook is the largest in the province.

SATTLE FLY-CASTING TOURNEY.

The board of trustees of the Seattle Fly-Casters announce that two tournaments will be held this year among the local sharpshooters at the meet as follows: June 21 and 22 and August 23 and 24. Details of these meets in regard to entries, kind and number of events and other particulars will be announced at an early date.

Game Warden Rief addressed the meeting on the habits and life of game fish and advanced some suggestions as to means of ridding lakes and streams of suckers and other objectionable and destructive fish.

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Shoot in Snow.—When it comes to heeding the call of sportsmanship, you will have to hand it to the Leavenworth Gun Club, who all winter have been holding their regular trapshooting meets in several feet of snow. Ike Fisher, of Seattle, who returned from a shoot at Leavenworth during the past week, reports that the gunners mushed to the firing line threw five feet of snow and drew their supplies on sleds.

The scores for 100 birds were: J. B. Adams 91, I. M. Fisher 91, A. Pinch 87, F. T. Mottler 85, C. E. Butler 83, J. E. Tholin 84, S. G. Daly 82, T. Thompson 74, C. Eckhart 62, W. Smith 63. At fifty birds—J. A. Adams 40, J. W. Elliott 39, D. A. Burgett 37.

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"HOW" TO FORM TRAPSHOOTING LEAGUES.

The Du Pont Company has just issued a very interesting booklet on "Trapshooting Leagues." It tends to be to trapshooting what the baseball guide is to baseball. It explains the benefits derived by trapshooters and clubs from trapshooting leagues, and the best way to organize them.

Some of the items that are covered in the booklet are:—

Best Time to Form a League.
Cost of Organizing a League.
Organization of Trapshooting Leagues.
Duties of Officers and Committees.
Rules of Successful Leagues.
Follow-up Letter to Clubs.
How to Write Other Clubs.
Location of Clubs.
Kind of Shoots to Hold.
Lewis Class System.

It also describes in detail the inside workings of many of the country's best trapshooting leagues.

Most people go in for trapshooting on account of sport or pleasure. They like to shoot and go to the nearest trapshooting club. Often they take their friends and they in some cases join the club. Such interest is putting trapshooting in the first rank of sportdom. There is a new club formed every week.

Of late business interests are becoming enthused about the sport. Several large firms have financed the forming of trapshooting clubs among their employees.

In Sedgwick, Colorado, the city authorities have hired a professional trapshooter to give exhibitions every Saturday afternoon during 1916. Surely the sport has flourished in that locality to make civic authorities take a hand. In most cases officials have to be begged into submitting to new ideas or the "people's" wishes.

In Sioux Falls, South Dakota, the hardware stores have organized a local gun club, which holds its business meetings at the different stores in town.

The club shoots every week, and it conducted an Interstate Tournament some time ago. The members say it benefits the city as well as trade.

With interest so keen no one knows the next kind of organization that will "fall" fo rtrapshooting.

Coast Shoot to be Held in September

STATE TOURNEY AT SAN JOSE NEXT MONTH BEING BOOSTED

Portland (Ore.).—Efforts of the Portland Gun Club to secure sanction from the Interstate Association to hold the Pacific Coast Handicap and the Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest tournament on its traps at Everding Park during the Rose Festival week have failed, according to an announcement made by President A. W. Strowger.

Failing in their plans, the directors have decided to stage the northwest shoot June 4, 5, 6 and 7, and have been given permission to stage the Pacific Coast Handicap in September. The exact dates will be telegraphed to the local club's officers in the near future.

With the question of dates settled, President Strowger is preparing the program for the shoot, and he has planned one that will make the tournament attractive to every shooter in the northwest. In this shoot, medals and trophies valued at several thousand dollars will be shot for, in addition to the Rose Festival event of 10 0targets.

The Oregon State Shoot will be staged May 15 and 16 at Albany, Ore., and the Pacific Indians will hold their tournament at Tacoma, Wash., in July.

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San Jose Club.—A score of the best known shooters in California, A. G. Wilkes, a San Francisco millionaire, his guest, J. A. Considine, the well known New York theatrical man, and a couple of crack lady shots participated last Sunday in the most successful opening shoot ever staged by the San Jose Blue Rock Club. Over 5,000 shots were fired and some good early-season scores were made. The shooting indicated that some unusually high marks will probably feature the big Calffornia and Nevada shoot, which is to be held here May 28 to 31 inclusive, when a carload of clay pigeons will be flung from the traps and two or three thousand dollars' worth of ammunition burned up in the guns.

Tony Prior of San Francisco was high man Sunday, getting 97 out of his first 100 targets; O. N. Ford was second with 94, George H. Anderson was a close third with 93 and Louis Baumgartner fourth with 92. Anderson made the longest run of the day, getting 55 without a miss. Tony Prior and Bobby Ford each broke 50 straight.

Mrs. A. G. Wilkes shot over the local traps for the first time and made the good score of 65. Miss G. Meyers broke 63 out of her first 100 and improved as she went along. She hit 71 out of her second string.

Mr. Considine, who came down with the Wilkes's from San Francisco in their machine, had not shot for some time, but borrowed a gun and broke 84, a very good score under the circumstances.

Scores, first hundred—Tony Prior 97, San Francisco; O. N. Ford 94, San Jose; George H. Anderson 93, San Jose; R. C. Reed 93, Berkeley; Louie Baumgartner 92, San Jose; B. Worthen 92, San Francisco; R. E. Tamey 88, San Jose; R. C. Hogg 87, Saratoga; C. A. Haight 86, San Francisco; N. Howard 85, San Francisco; William McKagney 84, San Jose; C. H. Nash 84, San Jose; Dr. Heidleburg 83, San Jose; C. R. Arques 82, Madrone; William Ellis 82, San Francisco; J. A. Cook 82, Oakland; H. H. Rickelson 82, San Francisco; Ray Chapman 82, San Jose; A. G. Wilkes 82, San Francisco; Dr. McGettigan 81, San Francisco; J. W. Considine 72, San Francisco; Mrs. A. G. Wilkes 65, San Francisco; Miss G. Meyers 63, San Francisco; Dr. Topham 62, San Francisco.

Second hundred—Tonp Prior 97, B. Worthen 93, N. Howard 90, A. G. Wilkes 88, Dr. McGettigan 85, J. W. Considine 84, C. A. Haight 83, Miss Meyers 71, Dr. Topham 70.

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Pastime Club.—Walsh and Williams tied for high gun at the Pastime Gun Club shoot last Saturday, each getting 94 out of 100. Several other good scores were made, the scores following:—

Parry, shot at 100, broke 90; Sargent 100—93, Morse 100—91, Justin 40—36, Williams 100—94, Gillmore 100—90, Walsh 100—94, Barber 100—90, Beckwith 100—90, Andrews 80—70, Lowe 20—17, Mrs. Andrews 20—14.

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Los Angeles Club—There was an exciting shoot at the the Los Angeles Gun Club last Sunday and good scores mingled with the shooting. H. Pfirrmann stacked up the record score of the day with a 99, while several of his associates managed to reach the 90 mark. The scores:

H. Pfirrmann, Jr., 99x100; F. A. Richter 99, E. L. Mitchell 97, F. H. Mellus 94, D. E. Llewellyn 91, Baron A. De Ropp 88, F. H. Nichols 88, Charles Vories 88, Mrs. H. Pfirrmann 76, O. H. Binns 84, Steve Fullerton 93, George H. Melford 88, J. W. Meek 88, Frank Free 75, E. E. Skdale 90.

C. Vories, 24x25; E. Mitchell 49x50, F. H. Mellus 48x50, Steve Fullerton 48x50, G. H. Melford 46x50, J. W. Meek 45x50.

H. Vories, 19x25, F. J. Adams 44x50, H. Adams 38x50, H. F. Stewart 54x75, P. Schultz 15x25, L. R. Mellus 45x50, William Wilshire 45x50, N. A. Bonynge 34x50, J. F. Doods 46x50, M. D. Towne 44x50, S. B. Friend 40x50, Miss A. Wheeler 34x50, B. Steel 44x50, Fred Thatcher 30x50, R. H. Bungay 46x50, Fred H. Teepe 21x25, G. Dixon 23x25, Owen Council 45x50, F. E. Gregory 34x50, Dr. E. H. Hall 20x25, G. Mallard 22x25.

23-yard handicap—F. H. Mellus 44x50, E. L. Mitchell 44x50, H. Pfirrmann 45x50, George Milford 42x50, Steve Fullerton 42x50, J. W. Meek 22x25, William Wilshire 22x25.

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Seattle Association.—Trapshooting in Seattle is receiving more attention this season than for many years past. The Seattle Trapshooters' Association is in the midst of a very busy season. A new clubhouse on their Harbor Island grounds has added greatly to the comfort of the club members. Weather conditions have not been the best for good shooting during the past few programs, but nevertheless some good scores have been kept up.

A bunch of lady shooters is one of the features of this year's shooting, there being many of the "fair sex" turning out for the sport alluring. Miss Grace Hardy, Mrs. J. Ruppe, Mrs. J. W. Cochran, Mrs. J. H. Hopkins and Mrs. Fred Hayner are some of the ladies breaking into the game with the Seattle Club.

Tom Wilkes, the theatrical man, formerly of San Francisco, is now living in this city and has made his regular appearance on the Harbor Island grounds. E. Wolbach of Grand Island, Nebraska, recently visited here and shot in one of the regular programs.

Mat Grosman and Hugh Fleming continue in their high scores, Hugh recently breaking a 50 straight and then getting a 47 out of his second 50, running 84 straight without a miss. C. E. McKelvey, president of the club, recently furnished the surprise of the season and hung up a new record for Seattle by making a 100 straight record and missing only one out of 175 birds. This record was made in special added events.

The State Tournament is to be handled by the Seattle Club and with the improvements recently made should be a big attraction for outside shooters. New shooters are appearing each Sunday and are coming through with high class shooting.

The club is now in the midst of a handicap shoot of 150 targets to determine the owner of the gold pin recently presented to the club by H. R. Everding of the Portland, Ore., club.

SEATTLE TRAPSHOOTERS' ASS'N,
By E. A. FRY.

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Golden Gate Club.—There's going to be one banner merchandise shoot of the Golden Gate Club this month. Already seventy prizes have been secured, which assures one or more prizes to every man, woman and child that steps to the traps. The date has not been named as yet but it will likely be staged on Sunday, April 30th, which happens to be an open date. The prizes donated so generously by trapshooting enthusiasts offer a variety of useful and ornamental presents.

There was some practice shooting during the week with the following results:—

Fifty birds—Sunkel 25, Stelling 40, Jarsons 37, Swales 46, Craig 34, Bridgeforte 38, T. Prior 44, Miss Meyers 33, E. Prior 34, Wallace 36, Cullen 34, Webster 42, Terry 44, Reon 29, Adams 38, Chambers 22.

Seventy-five birds—Durney 37, Reed 69, Middleton 26, Boyd 52, Price 53, Blum 59, Garrett 69, Merriman 26, Martine 44.

One hundred birds—Dorsey 69, Howard 78, Stressler 78, Jones 65, Topham 75, Orr 88, Gaskel 52, Westerfeld 67, Lockhardt 78, Wade 44, Jordan 56, Swenson 73, Hawxhurst 96, Carman 71, Haight 88, Avery 90.

One hundred and fifty birds—Landry 125, McGettigan 118, Brickell 115, Dimond 120, Coleman 90, Hayden 97, French 111, Wilkes 131, Mrs. Wilkes 116, Sanborn 110, Dorsey 122, Stahl 133.

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Oakland Elks.—The newly organized Oakland Elks' Club is going to make a start in the alluring trap shooting sport tomorrow on the Golden Gate Club's grounds in Oakland. A large membership has been secured and the new officers of the body are counting on a banner attendance. Pretty soon when the boys get good they are going to challenge the Alameda Elks for a match shoot. There is a rumor abroad that the Berkeley brothers are going to get busy and put a club in the field. Then if San Francisco gets active and goes to the traps there could be formed a very interesting league with competition at regular intervals.

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Big Time Club.—Members of the Big Time Gun Club put the finishing touches on the new grounds of the club on the Schenk ranch in Fruit Ridge last Sunday. The gunners turned out in force to paint the traps, repair a fence and make other improvements. The work of getting the grounds in shape has been in progress every Sunday for the past six weeks.

The first shoot of the season will be held on the new grounds next Sunday. The club members are planning a big time for the formal opening. Tentative arrangements are now being made for an automobile parade, in which several scores of autos will be entered.

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Vernon Club.—Billy Wilshire's handsome, unique trophy, a fountain pen surrounded with diamonds and gold bands, was taken for keeps Sunday when it was contested for at the Vernon Club for the twenty-first time, by Dr. L. M. Packard with a score of forty-five dead clay pigeons out of the half-century pitched.

This selfsame trophy has been competed for since early in November of last year, and has brought out the keenest kind of trap shooting competition among the local cracks.

Only three shooters were ever successful enough to gain their second legs. They were Packard, Mellus and Bruner. Packard gained his early in the game and has been putting up a running fire ever since.

He unmasked his batteries yesterday and let loose with enough small chilled shot to do the necessary amount of damage to the fifty tarhawks to award him the prize permanently.

Stan Bruner, manager of the club, announces that big doings are promised for next Sunday, when a new three-leg trophy will be put up and several other valuable prizes. No entrance fee will be charged.

A good crowd was out to watch the shooters compete in the grand finale, and over 2700 targets were thrown.

Several notables were among the black bird exterminators, including Owen Council, Bob Bole, "Winchester" Harry Hoyt, "Doc" Cooper, "Red" Hedderly, king of the small-bore cracks; Bill Dougherty, and Pete Peterson.

Hedderly easily proved his title to the small-bore throne yesterday by breaking forty-six birds out of fifty with a twenty-gauge gun. The results follow:

Wilshire Handicap—

Shooter—	Hdcp.	Bke.	Targ.
Manderville	16	50	38
Peterson	17	39	17
Van Nest	16	50	30
Dodds	19	50	39
Bruner	19	50	40
Evans	18	50	35
Famechon	18	50	40
Kunz	18	50	37
Dougherty	17	50	39
Pugh	18	50	41
Palmer	16	50	27
George Oliver	16	50	45
Reid	16	50	24
Dr. L. M. Packard	19	50	45
Mrs. Groat	18	50	38
C. E. Groat	16	50	38
Dierdoff	17	50	42
Smith	16	50	25
Bob Bole	16	50	34
Owen Council	17	50	40
Hary Hoyt	16	50	41

20-Gauge Squad—

J. C. Cline, shot at 25, broke 17; Ed Hedderly 50—46, Brown 25—7, Stan Bruner 25—19.

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Salt Lake Club.—With very little wind blowing to bother the shooters, a score of clay bird enthusiasts enjoyed one of the best shoots of the season at the traps Sunday morning. Glen Bishop carried off the honors in the handicap shoot. In the regular event he tied with Bain, Johnston and Klein, making it necessary to shoot off the tie. In the first shoot-off he eliminated Johnston and Klein, establishing his claim as Western Arms champion, and tied again with Bain. In the finals he won from Bain by the score of 25 to 24.

In the shoot-off between Bray and Heagren, who tied in the cup shoot the previous Sunday, Bray defeated Heagren by a score of 20 to 19.

With the large number of new shooters who are becoming interested in the game this season, it is expected that the club may be compelled to use both traps regularly from now on. The club wishes to extend an invitation to scatter gun artists to participate in their regular Sunday morning shoots.

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Breeder and Sportsman:—

The Fresno Blue Rock Club will hold a registered shoot on Saturday, April 29th. Trusting we will see many visitors present, we remain,

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COMING REGISTERED TOURNAMENTS.

California.

Los Angeles, May 8, 9.—Vernon Gun Club, William Pugh, Manager.

San Jose, May 28, 29, 30—San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

Eureka, July 4—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President.

Fresno, April 29—Fresno Blue Rock Club.

Oregon.

Portland, June 5, 6, 7—Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, Frank Templeton, Secretary.

Washington.

Chehalis, May 30—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, Gus T. Thacker, President.

Seattle, July 4—"Old Policy," Green Lake Gun Club, W. C. Smith, Secretary

Tacoma, July 18, 19, 20, 21—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary.

PREDACEOUS BIRDS AND MAMMALS.

We hear it constantly said that the best method of increasing our game is to destroy predaceous birds and mammals. The people who make these statements fail to take into consideration that there are many factors which govern the increase or decrease of species and that the effect of predaceous birds and mammals is but slight in comparison with many other factors. Investigate conditions where game is most numerous and one will find that hawks and other vermin are also very abundant. Not only was game extremely abundant in early days in California, but predaceous birds and mammals were also abundant. There seems to be a balance established between the two. More game means more food for the enemies of game, and naturally an increase of them.

The argument is not that it is useless to destroy the enemies of game, but that this method of increasing game species is overemphasized. The hunter too often places the blame for the scarcity of game on hawks, weasels, skunks, etc., when the real blame should go on the hunter himself. So far as we can see predaceous birds and mammals do not greatly decrease any game species under natural conditions. The prime reason why game is scarce is because too large a toll has been taken by the hunter and food and cover for game has been greatly reduced.—California Fish and Game.

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Fishing at Sacramento.—While the Sacramento river remains high, too high for the best of fishing, several local Isaac Waltons have managed to land a few of the large striped bass now ascending the stream for spawning purposes. Some have been taken with clams as bait, while other fishermen have reported catches on spoons or other artificial bait. In the Mokelumne river and Snodgrass slough several good strings of striped bass have been secured.

Under the law striped bass may be taken at any time with hook and line, although fishing for black bass is not permitted until May 1. Net fishing at this time for the striped bass is illegal, although some of the fishermen are attempting it. Last week, for example, the game wardens found some fishermen who had put out nets in the Mokelumne. Several hours were required to pick up all the nets.

Water still is too high in the river for good catfishing, although in the more quiet back water of the sloughs this variety is taking the bait readily. During the past week one fisherman out for catfish hooked two rainbow trout, between 15 and 18 inches in which to his surprise violated all the rules and went after the catfish bait.

MRS. SCHILLING SHOOTS FROM AEROPLANE.

Trapshooting from aeroplanes seems to appeal especially to the women shooters. Several weeks ago Annie Oakley (Mrs. Frank E. Butler) tried hitting the inanimate clays from one of Uncle Sam's airships while flying over Atlantic City, N. J., at the rate of a mile a minute, and more recently Mrs. Ada Schilling, of Portland, Ore., attempted to annihilate a lot of clay targets while in an aeroplane crossing the Willamette river. If this keeps up aeroplane trapshooting will not be looked upon as a novelty.

Some time back A. B. Thaw, the aviator, purchased a hand-trap, and had it attached to his aeroplane, and he likes nothing better than to blaze away at the targets two or three hundred feet in the air, traveling as fast as the wind. Maybe he doesn't break as many as he would if he was on the ground, but Thaw seems to like the sport better in the air. Trapshooting will never be as popular from the aeroplane as on the ground, for everyone hasn't the means to live up to an aeroplane, nor the time to practice the managing of one.

Mrs. Butler discovered that she had to shoot very quickly, much quicker than on the ground, for the airship and the target going in the same direction didn't give her time to raise the gun and aim. Mrs. Schilling, too, had her difficulties in breaking the "blue rocks." She found that the airship, going so fast in the same direction as the target, sometimes passed the target before she could get perfect aim. She modified this somewhat by riging up the trap so that the target would be thrown in the air and a trifle to one side, but no matter how the targets are thrown they are difficult to hit when the airship is moving along 50 to 60 miles an hour.

Mrs. Schilling said that she enjoyed the air trip immensely and that she was happy to try the experiment again. Mrs. Schilling is the leading woman trapshooter on the Pacific Coast and one of the best in the United States. Only recently has she taken up her home in Portland. She was formerly connected with the Blue Rock Club of San Jose, Cal. In the 1915 averages of the Interstate Association for the Encouragement of Trapshooting, Mrs. Schilling was 113th on the list of 8,400 shooters. She had an average of 87.07, breaking 2,116 out of 2,443 targets in registered shoots.

Mrs. Schilling is the wife of Carl J. Schilling, an expert shot also. The little woman, for she is but 4 feet 11 inches in height, and weighs only 95 pounds, is one of the most popular frequenters of the trapshooting tournaments of the Western States. She holds her own at all times with the male shooters. She uses a 12-gauge gun and the men wonder at her endurance in the tournament matches. Mrs. Schilling is further handicapped in comparison with the male shooters through the necessity of using a light load. With a light load the shot-spread is less and her aim must be truer in order to break the "bird" before it gets out of range.

RIFLE SHOOTING IN CHINA.

Rifle shooting is popular in China, according to a report to the Department of Commerce by Vice Consul Gustave J. Barrett at Shanghai. He says: "Of the many branches of sport indulged in by the foreign residents of Shanghai, rifle and revolver shooting is very popular. This is evidenced by the fact that out of a total foreign population of approximately 15,000, there are seven clubs with a membership of 754. The clubs are: Clay Pigeon Club, organized in 1907, membership, 40; Société de Tir Internationale, organized in 1912, membership, 80; Shanghai Gun Club, organized in 1900, membership, 40; Miniature Rifle and Revolver Club, rifle club organized in 1909, revolver club organized in 1912, membership, 300, affiliated with miniature rifle clubs of Great Britain, though the Shanghai Club is strictly international in character; Shanghai Rifle Association, organized in 1902, membership, 187; Sportsman's Gun Club, organized in 1900, membership, 60, reorganized in 1910, present membership, 80; Swiss Rifle Club, organized in 1911, membership, 27.

"A unique organization is the Shanghai Volunteer Corps, organized in 1864, and composed of the younger members of Shanghai's international settlement," adds the Consul. "It is similar in purpose and organization to the State militias of the United States. Its personnel includes 51 officers and 1,127 enlisted men. An outdoor range is maintained where practice and competitive shoots are held at frequent intervals. Wild game shooting is popular in China and is carried on extensively during the open season from October to March."

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Jack Rabbit Drive.—It is estimated that 2,000 jackrabbits were killed in the South San Joaquin district last Sunday, and at least one coyote met his fate in the rabbit drive held by the South San Joaquin farmers under the direction of Ed Powers of Manteca and County Farm Bureau officials.

Hunters from all parts of the county gathered in the South San Joaquin during the morning and when the chase started at 9:30 o'clock there were more than 400 shotguns pointed out toward the hiding places of the long-eared jacks.

The march on the rabbits lasted from 9:30 in the morning until after 2 o'clock in the afternoon, and during the afternoon hundreds of automobile parties visited that part of the county to see the huntsmen and others gathering up the slain field pests.

Several Sacramento autoists joined in the hunt.

ELK RELEASED IN UTAH.

More than 100 persons gathered from great distances to see twenty-five elk belonging to the state, which have been kept in a pasture all winter near East Mountain, Emery county, Utah, turned loose on March 22, according to Fred W. Chambers, State Fish and Game Commissioner. Mr. Chambers said the elk were easily driven up a canyon to the spot where they were to again take up their wild existence, and were abandoned at the same point where the last elk ever seen in that part of the state was killed. In the herd are five bulls and twenty cows, most of which he said are with calf. The elk were secured from the Jackson's Hole country. In their new haunts Mr. Chambers said there is plenty of winter range. Shooting the animals will be strictly prohibited.

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Five hundred fishermen caught a total of at least 3,000 pounds of catfish Sunday in Utah lake, according to Fred W. Chambers. Mr. Chambers said the average catch of each angler was thirty fish, running about five to a pound. Some, however, he said, caught twice the average number and a few large fish were taken. Ordinarily angle worms and the old-fashioned still fishing methods were used.

ASK OPEN SEASON ON SHAGS.

A petition has been addressed to Carl D. Shoemaker, Oregon State Game Warden, by the Newport Rod and Gun Club, asking that an open season be declared on shags in the county till July 1, 1916. These birds subsist entirely on small fish and they are responsible annually for the destruction of thousands of salmon, trout and other food fish. There are hundreds of them feeding on fish in Yaquina, Alsea and Siletz bays and other waters.

Permission has been granted to sportsmen in Coos county to kill these shags during the above season and the same privilege is sought for the Newport section. The Newport gun club may choose sides and hold a shag hunt, the losers to pay for a banquet at which the State game official will be invited to attend.

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The Hood River Game Protective Association plays no favorites, and when some of the younger members of the organization—deputy game wardens—investigated the fish creel of C. K. Marshall, director of the Commercial Club and prominent in the circles of the game club, and discovered that he had several trout smaller than the legal length, ten inches, a complaint was duly sworn out, charging Mr. Marshall with violation of the game laws.

Mr. Marshall submitted to the penalty of his carelessness gracefully. He was obliged to leave the city on business. However, he instructed D. McDonald, president of the game association, to appear before Justice of the Peace Buck and plead guilty for him. The court advised that Mr. Marshall must make the plea in person, and on his return a fine will be assessed for the violation of the law.

KEEN INTEREST IN TRAP-SHOOTING.

William J. Higgins, a well known Sacramento blue rock enthusiast who has just finished a business trip through the Sacramento and San Joaquin valleys and the San Francisco Bay region, reports that this year will see the biggest trap shooting season in the history of California.

He reports that many new gun clubs are being formed and much more interest is being taken by the members of the clubs already organized. Higgins declares that the new policy of many clubs to bring to the front the social side of the trap meets has added greatly to the interest in the events.

New clubs will be in the field at Biggs, Folsom, Roseville, Nevada City, Grass Valley and Santa Rosa this season, while in several other towns sportsmen are discussing plans and may organize before many weeks.

Gun clubs are shooting regularly in the bay sections while shoots are also planned at Newman, Modesto and Fresno. At the last named city a big trap meeting is planned for Raisin Day, April 29th, when valuable prizes will be awarded to the winning contestants.

Great interest is also being taken in the Nevada-California shoot at San Jose on May 28th, 29th, 30th and 31st when over $1,000 in cash and prizes will be awarded the most expert marksman. The winner of this shoot will be eligible to compete in the Grand American Handicap in St. Louis in August.

The season in Sacramento is scheduled to open April 2nd when the Big Time Gun Club plans a big program at the John Schenk place on the Fruit Ridge Road.

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Greenhill (Wilmington, Del.), Club.—The cold wintry days do not seem to bother the Greenhill shooters in the least. There were 25 out March 20th in spite of the fact that it was one of the days set apart for a league shoot, which usually takes the majority of the Wilmington shooters out of town.

The highest score for the day was made by H. L. Morgan, who broke 24 out of 25 in his first event. Jack and Ray Kaiser each broke a 22. Jack is an old seasoned shooter and his brother Ray, who is brand new at the game, was more than delighted to tie with him.

Of the Greenhill members, J. Kaiser was high in class A, and R. Bonsall in class B. Each man was presented with a leather wallet.

Both the Greenhill and Nemours Trapshooting clubs, which are shooting every Saturday at the Greenhill grounds, have become affiliated with the American Amateur Trapshooters' Association and Miss Hammond is the first Wilmington shooter to shoot for one of the A. A. T. A. medals. She made both her shoots, making a 20 and a 16, and if she is fortunate on her next eight events of 25, she will win one of the bronze medals given to women shooters who are members of the A. A. T. A.—Harriet D. Hammond. Sec'y.

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Ely (Nev.) Club.—At a meeting of the White Pine Rod and Gun Club it was decided to hold a handicap trophy shoot, which will cover a period of twelve weeks. A committee consisting of President L. H. Murdock, E. L. Fletcher and Herman Wise was appointed to arrange matters of detail. The contestants will be handicapped by the added bird system based upon the club records.

The first of the series of shoots will be held at the club grounds in East Ely on Sunday afternoon. Interest in trap shooting is reviving and much activity is looked for in the sport during the coming summer.

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Vancouver (B. C.) Club.—Plans were laid at the annual meeting of the Vancouver Gun Club for the holding of the B. C. championships this year on Dominion Day, when a big Patriotic Shoot will be staged at the Oak street traps.

To this big Patriotic Shoot will come representatives from all over British Columbia, and there will also be shots from clubs as far down the coast as San Francisco. According to the present plans, the Dominion Day Patriotic Shoot of the Vancouver Gun Club promises to be one of the biggest meets ever held on the Pacific Coast.

It was decided at the meeting that the first practice shoot of the club this year will be staged on April 8. The opening shoot of the club's program, when merchandise prizes will be put up, will be on April 15. At this latter shoot there will be a special competition for beginners.

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Vallejo Club.—Judging from the talk heard wherever the powder-burners congregate, the Vallejo Gun Club will establish its traps in the vicinity of Flosden this year, the committee appointed to select a site being in favor of going north of town. For a time it was thought that the old race track might be secured, but inasmuch as this property has changed hands and is to be placed on the market it eliminates it as a site for the traps. The members of the gun club are manifesting much interest in the coming season and some great sport is anticipated. It is believed that many new gunners will affiliate with the organization and that some interesting club shoots will be featured during the summer months.

THE FARM

PIGS AND PREPAREDNESS.

Farmers who intelligently feed and care for their pregnant sows, so as not to overload them with fat, but instead give them feeds for thedevelopment of bone and muscle, are on the right road toward the production of strong and healthy litters. Their preparedness program, however, does not end here.

Two weeks before farrowing the sow should be put into a farrowing pen so that she will become acquainted and contented in her new quarters. The farrowing pen should be dry and free from draughts. Provide the pen with a guard rail made of 2 by 4-inch planks set 8 inches from the wall and 8 inches from the floor to prevent the sow from crushing the pigs against the wall. Use only a small quantity of bedding; leaves or straw are preferable. See that the sow has plenty of fresh water.

It pays to keep the sow quiet. Assistance at the time of farrowing should be at hand if needed, but the sow need not be helped if she is getting along well. In cold weather put the newly born pigs in a well warmed basket and after farrowing is over the pigs should be placed with the sow, care being taken that each one gets to a teat. When the afterbirth is passed is should be removed from the pen at once and burned or buried.

After farrowing the sow should have nothing but water and a little thin slop for the first day. The feeding for the first three or four days should be light, and the time consumed in getting the sow on full feed should be from a week to ten days, depending on the condition of the sow and the size and thrift of the litter. It takes plenty of sow's milk to make healthy growing pigs. If the pigs begin to scour, feed the sow less and give her plenty of strong lime water.

It is very necessary that the little pigs have plenty of exercise and all the sunlight that can be given them. Do not allow the pigs to run out during a cold rain. If possible, provide green feed or roots. These keep the sow healthy and cheapen the ration. Encourage the pigs to eat grain after they are three or four weeks old. Build a creep for them so they can feed alone. At this age feed for bone and muscle. Give them all the skim milk you can. If skim milk is not available, give them some meal and plenty of pasture. In about eight or ten weeks the pigs will have practically weaned themselves. After they have been successfully weaned the most perplexing job is over.

By putting into practice the essential points above mentioned the number of pigs raised to weaning should be increased. Hogs never fail to respond to good care. Kind treatment always means contentment with its corresponding profits.

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Most feeders of dairy cows can produce protein more cheaply than they can buy it. Wise is the man who has a good supply of legume forage on hand from his alfalfa, clover, cowpea, or soybean fields, for the dairy cow cannot do her best on corn, timothy hay, or fodder even with good succulent silage to help maintain summer pasture conditions.

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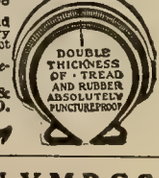
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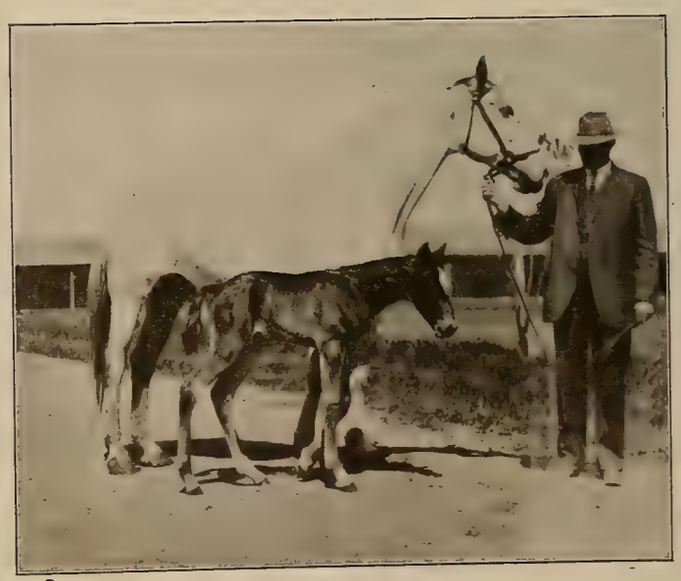
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THE YEAR BOOK IS OUT.

After being posted on the overdue board at the Marine Exchange for a matter of several weeks the good ship Volume Thirty-one of the Year Book Line, registered under the ownership of the A. T. R. A., made port last week after a stormy passage of nearly ninety days from the company wharves on the south arm of Bubbly Creek, on the western shores of Lake Michigan. Loaded to the Plimsoll with statistical tables and with her rigging and superstructure coated thick with ice weighing hundreds of tons additional, token of the high seas and zero weather encountered en route, she set so low in the water that the full power of her engines was required to maintain any headway to speak of, even in fair weather, while in the rough going she was at the mercy of the elements, practically every heavy sea breaking over her bow and sweeping her from stem to stern. In his report to the owners Captain Knight makes mention of a mutiny in the black gang before the vessel was well out to sea, causing her to put back to a strange port and ship an entire new bunch of stokers and repair some slight injury suffered by her boilers during the trouble. Once away again Chief Engineer Best, who alone of all the officers and crew really understood the intracies of her compound compiling engines, became the victim of a severe illness, his absence from his post serving not only to retard the vessel's progress but actually to endanger her safety. During the first few hours of his indisposition the vessel, with her engines barely turning, wallowed in the trough of the waves and encountered the further misfortune of having her rudder put out of commission by improper handling while trying to come about under slight headway. At this juncture Mrs. Best, the plucky wife of the sick chief who has made many trips with him and understood better than anyone else the peculiarities of the specially constructed engines, stepped into the breach and set the machinery to rights while the crew risked life and limb in the construction of a jury rudder, after which the momentous voyage was resumed and eventually completed. Our water front reporter heard an unconfirmed rumor to the effect that while the vessel was lying helpless and in dire straits, with distress signals displayed from the masthead, she was passed by an able ship flying the colors of the rival company, the N. T. A., whose captain violated all ethics of the sea by failing to make the slightest offer of assistance or to stand by in case of need in the apparently impending emergency. This rumor could not be substantiated and was traceable merely to members of the crew, none of the ship's officers having any statement to make in the matter.

Owing to the long delays encountered in the voyage and the exceptionally swift passage made by that ultra-modern turbiner, the Review Guide, registered from the same home port and carrying a somewhat similar cargo, the merchandise in the capacious hold of Volume Thirty-one will find a much slower sale than would have been the case had the trip been made on scheduled time. However, Volume Thirty-one carries the sole official reports of the proceedings of the past season, and we bespeak for it a generous patronage on that account. For the moderate sum of $3.25, these complete reports will be delivered to your address and will be found to be well worth the money. Parties with the statistics from former seasons already in their libraries should not fail to keep the series complete, while the newcomer to the business will find the information provided of inestimable value. We have an extra copy of the same at this office and will be pleased to forward it to any address at the regular price, as above.

Members of the San Francisco-California Driving Club met on Tuesday evening of this week for the first time this season, the principal business of the session being the nomination of officers for the ensuing year, the election to be held next Tuesday evening, April 11, at the customary meeting place. A re-election of the officers under whose leadership the club enjoyed such a success in 1915 was urged by almost all in attendance, but both President Giannini and Secretary Marisch begged to be excused from further service of an active nature. The plea of Mr. Marisch was recognized but Mr. Giannini's "alibis" were not acceptable to his fellow members and he was nominated by a unanimous vote to succeed himself as president, other selections being as follows: Jack Welsh, vice-president; I. B. Dalziel, treasurer; W. J. Kenney, secretary; Dan Keating, sergeant at arms; Bert Edwards, J. J. Ryan, Timothy D. Sexton, A. Ottinger and Joe Kidd, directors. As has been the usual custom in the past the club will race on Sundays throughout the season at the Stadium track in Golden Gate Park, the first matinee being scheduled for Sunday, May 14, by which time practically all the horses of the various string will be well along in their training and ready to start for the trophies.

Ventura Fair Association Is Flourishing

THREE YEARS OLD AND GROWING FAST

Encouraged by the great success of its autumn events of 1914 and 1915 the Ventura County Fair Association has made arrangements for another and perhaps many more exhibitions. The 1916 event is scheduled for September 13-16, inclusive, at Seaside Park, Ventura.

The Board of Directors this year comprises forty-five of the leading individuals of "the greatest lima bean producing county in California," and thirteen of the forty-five are women—a decided departure from the past. The experience of the Ventura association has been that women did more, probably, towards making the fair a success than any other single element that entered into it. The county of Ventura first gave the women their just recognition by building them a $7,000 pavilion for housing their remarkable exhibit.

Those comprising the fair's directorate are as follows: A. L. Hobson, Ventura; E. P. Foster, Ventura; John Lagomarsino Sr., Ventura; Sol N. Sheridan, Ventura; T. G. Gabbert, Ventura; T. S. Clark, J. J. Burke, E. S. Thacher and Earl Soules, Nordhoff; E. C. Canet, Ventura; F. E. Davis, L. E. Mills, William Pope, Santa Paula; A. Camarillo , C. C. Perkins, W. H. Stiles, Caramillo; Charles Donlon, T. A. Rice, Ernest Eastwood, Joseph McGrath, J. L. Milligan, Oxnard; F. A. Snyder, Somis; Leon Lehman, Oxnard; T. J. Donovan, Thomas Gould, Geo. C. Power, L. P. Hathaway and Wm. Cook, Ventura; Roger G. Edwards, Saticoy; Mrs. T. A. Rice, Mrs. Joseph Hummell, Mrs. Thomas Walker, Oxnard; Mrs. A. Camarillo, Mrs. Cora Doremus and Mrs. Chas. Daily, Camarillo; Mrs. F. E. Davis, Mrs. D. W. Mott, Santa Paula; Mrs. Frank Beaman, Mrs. A. L. Drown, Nordhoff; Mrs. G. W. Tighe, Fillmore; Mrs. L. B. Hogue and Mrs. Frank J. Sifford, Ventura; W. H. Fleet, Sespe; James Walker, Bardsdale; J. W. Hitch, Somis.

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Harness and running events will be a strong feature of the amusement program this season; county horsemen are even now training at Seaside Park for monthly matinees, the first of which is to be held April 30, all by way of keeping the stock in condition for the fair's races. Chariot races will be pulled off on two of the days of the fair, while the event of real class will be scheduled for probably the last afternoon—a race or races in which jumpers, ridden by men and women from Coronado, Santa Barbara, Burlingame, Pasadena and Riverside, will participate. There will be a grand Wild West, "bigger and better" than any of those heretofore given by this institution.

The agricultural department will be entirely in the hands of the Farm Bureau and the Farm Bureau Centers of Ventura county, now thoroughly organized for the production of competitive exhibits as well as for the various purposes for which the Bureau exists.



L. P. HATHAWAY
Ventura's Wide Awake Secretary

W. B. Parker, Farm Adviser, is in charge of this department.

The county of Ventura has guaranteed the association sufficient money for the erection of sectional stalls for the accommodation of at least 100 head of exhibition stock, while there is now stabling for all the race stock that may be naturally expected to attend. Besides, the county will apportion from the "Immigration Fund" enough to more than cover every cent of the institution's expense, making the fair, therefore, strictly a COUNTY institution. The fair did a business of nearly $12,000 last year and on the middle day had a gate of practically $4500, at 50 cents for adults and 25 cents for children.

Located on the coast route of the State Highway, the Ventura Fair will be in a position to entertain visitors from the far northern as well as the far southern portions of California and doubtless will attract largely from the auto touring fraternity, especially on the day when the jumpers are scheduled.

Sires of Two or More 2:05 Performers

A TIMELY AND VALUABLE COMPILATION

Some people like pie for breakfast, and others drown perfectly good sliced cucumbers in cream previous to devouring the vegetable—wherefore in the springtime (nature's mating season, as the poets of long ago set forth in lyric form) the man who is interested in the light harness horse has an appetite for facts regarding the achievements of his favorite srains of blood in the matter of producing speed of various sorts.

Some are interested only in colt trotters, others feast with greatest joy upon stellar performances by mature steeds, while a third contingent welcomes all sorts of speed, lapping up the deeds of the 2:30 trotter and the 2:25 pacer with gusto because they are of the "standard" brand—probably on the same principle that the man whose stomach is deranged by a clam served in Providence, R. I., does not complain bitterly (as he would had the incident occurred in Kansas City) because Rhode Island waters are the home of the clam, and in theory every clam in that vicinage is, by right of birth, a good clam. In Providence the man's stomach may be out of kilter, but the clam is all right, whereas in Kansas City the clam would be condemned unheard.

For those who revel in high standards of speed, the 2:05 list of trotters and pacers has a flavor not to be found in the 2:20 list, while the 2:30 proposition is as sawdust to his palate. For such I have prepared a list of stallions that have sired two or more 2:05 trotters or pacers (or both) and present the same herewith. The number of trotters and pacers sired by each horse is stated, as is their average speed as shown by their best records, this feature seeming to me a particularly interesting one, and to show what strains of blood appear, in the male line, to be most prolifice in the production of the sort of speed that puts a performer in the free-for-all class, so to speak, the family of each horse is given in he final column:

Sire	Record	Trotters	Pacers	Average Record	Family
Peter the Great	2:07¼	4	1	2:03.15	Happy Medium
The Director General	.....	1	3	2:04	Dictator
Joe Patchen (p)	2:01¼	0	4	2:01.62	Wilkes
Brown Hal (p)	2:12½	0	4	2:03.37	Tom Hal
Walter Direct (p)	2:05¾	0	4	2:03.50	Dictator
Chimes (3)	2:30¾	1	2	2:04.08	Electioneer
Nutwood Wilkes	2:16½	1	2	2:03.08	Abdallah, 15
Hal B. (p)	2:04½	0	3	2:02.75	Brown Hal
Atlantic King (p)	2:09¾	0	3	2:03.68	Abdallah, 15
Gambeta Wilkes	2:19¼	0	3	2:03.75	Wilkes
Hal Dillard (p)	2:04¾	0	3	2:03.85	Brown Hal
Argot Wilkes (p)	2:14¼	0	3	2:04.18	Wilkes
Zombro	2:11	0	3	2:04.25	Wilkes
Bingen	2:06¼	2	0	2:01.37	Electioneer
Bellini	2:13¼	2	0	2:04.25	Artillery
McKinney	2:11¼	1	1	2:02	Wilkes
Walnut Hall	2:08¼	1	1	2:02.62	Electioneer
Todd	2:14¾	1	1	2:04.62	Electioneer
Chitwood (p)	2:22¼	0	2	2:00.75	Abdallah, 15
Direct Hal (p)	2:04¼	0	2	2:02.50	Dictator
Grattan	2:13	0	2	2:02.75	Wilkes
Charles Derby	2:20	0	2	2:03.12	Strathmore
Thistle	2:13¼	0	2	2:03.12	Strathmore
Oratorio	2:13	0	2	2:03.25	Wilkes
Newtown Boy	2:10¼	0	2	2:03.25	Bald Hornet
Pactolus	2:12¾	0	2	2:03.50	Mamb, Chief, 11
Searchlight (p)	2:03¼	0	2	2:03.50	Wilkes
Bob Fitzsimmons (p)	2:07¾	0	2	2:03.75	Electioneer
Direct (p)	2:05½	0	2	2:03.75	Dictator
Diablo (p)	2:09¼	0	2	2:04	Strathmore
Baron Wilkes	2:18	0	2	2:04.12	Wilkes
Little Frank (p)	2:09	0	2	2:04.12	Strathmore
Twelfth Night	.....	0	2	2:04.25	Wilkes
Tennessee Wilkes	2:27	0	2	2:04.50	Wilkes
Expressive Mac	2:25½	0	2	2:04.75	Wilkes

On the whole, the proposition as displayed by the above table figures out pretty much as one might expect. Peter the Great is first in a convincing manner. He is the only horse with five performers to his credit, the only one with four trotters, and the average of his get, 2:03.15, is a stunning one when the number of trotters as opposed to pacers—4 to 1—is considered. Incidentally he provides the greatest colt trotter, Peter Volo 2:02, a champion at 1, 2, 3 and 4 years of age. The supreme test of a sire in the matter of speed production is that he shall shine brilliantly, no matter from what angle the light is thrown on the proposition, and under such conditions Peter the Great has done work clearly superior to that of any other sire, living or dead. As to his ultimate standing as a progenitor (which is another chapter), it is certain he does not class with Bingen, considering present generation stallions only, nor has he yet sired extreme speed equal to that which goes to Bingen through the work of his son, Uhlan 1:58. It should be borne in mind that the above tabulation has to do with but one phase of the breeding problem. As a progenitor, Bingen towers above all other horses of his day as a giant looms among men of ordinary stature, and from all indications he eventually will lead every stallion, dead or alive, in this particular.

Peter the Great and Bingen, today's leading sires, are in the van among all the trotting stallions whose names appear above, and the notable horse among the pacers is Brown Hal 2:12½ to high wheels. In at least one particular the Tennessee horse has a distinction, in common with Direct, shared by no other member of the distinguished company, each of the pair mentioned having a son and a grandson in the list. Brown Hal's son is Hal Dillard 2:04¾, and his grandson is Hal B. 2:04½, by Hal Dillard. Direct's son is Direct Hal 2:04¼, and his grandson is Walter Direct 2:05¾, by Direct Hal. The Brown Hal blood certainly is breeding on as no other pacing strain ever did, and as evidence of this fact it may be said that Hal B. 2:04½, grandson of Brown Hal, has, despite limited opportunity in the stud, sired three members of the 2:05 list whose records average 2:02.75, they being Hal Boy 2:01½, largest money winning pacer of 1915, Hal B. Jr. 2:02½, and Hal Raven 2:03¾, the last named a blind mare that was the incarnation of gameness. As for Hal B. Jr., if his speed could be controlled and used when wanted, he is a two-minute pacer.

The Direct strain also is a very potent one. Direct, himself a trotting horse with a trotting record of 2:18½, got Directly 2:03¼ (a champion two-year-old), and Direct Hal 2:04¼, never beaten a race. Direct Hal in turn got Ess H. Kay 2:00¾, and Reproachless 2:04½, while his son, Walter Direct, already has four in the 2:05 pacing list, headed by Napoleon Direct 2:00¾. It is wonderful how two-minute speed at the pace runs in the Direct family. The head of the house had it, and were he alive today, well and sound (which he never was as a pacer), and trained according to modern methods, there is not the slightest doubt in the minds of horsemen but that he would have a record close to two minutes. Direct Hal took his 2:04¼ record merely because he had to go that fast to win a heat, and, as he was retired at the close of the campaign, there was no chance to ascertain just how fast he could go. Walter Direct, Mr. Geers once told me, after the pacer was in the stud, was the fastest horse he ever sat behind. He went lame after taking his 2:05¾ mark, and was retired.

When it comes down to families, it is found that, of the thirty-five sires listed above, twelve trace in the male line to George Wilkes 2:22, five to Electioneer, five to Dictator, four to Strathmore, and three to Alexander's Abdallah, the last named horse, although not much heard of these days, having given the turf two world's champion trotters in Goldsmith Maid 2:14 and Cresceus 2:02¼, the first named sired by himself and the champion stallion by his grandson, Robert McGregor 2:17½. These figures show once more the tremendous output of pacers by the Wilkes strain. The stallions in the above list which trace to George Wilkes are Joe Patchen, p., Oratorio, Gambetta Wilkes, Argot Wilkes, p., Zombro, McKinney, Twelfth Night, Grattan, Searchlight, p., Baron Wilkes, Tennessee Wilkes and Expressive Mac, yet their total contribution to the 2:05 trotting list is Sweet Marie 2:02, daughter of McKinney, while their pacers number thirty.

It is indeed remarkable that an even dozen sires of such prominence, each one able to produce pacers of topnotch calibre, should furnish but one individual to be credited with a 2:05 trotter, and when this fact is coupled with the additional one that they are all male line descendants of one horse, George Wilkes, the conclusion is irresistible that the founder of the family possessed the pacing germ in a degree that during his lifetime was undreamed of, although he was known to be double gaited and to have at least as much speed at the pace as the trot. Every branch of the Wilkes family produces pacers in abundance, and in many instances it is of the highest quality. Take, for instance, the case of the brothers Alcantara 2:23 and Alcyone 2:27, sons of George Wilkes, and themselves noted sires. Alcantara lived to the age of thirty, was the sire of many foals, most of them from well-bred mares, yet he got no 2:10 trotters, but is the sire of six pacers in 2:10 or better. Alcyone got three trotters with marks under 2:10, and one pacer in even time. In the above list no male line descendant of Alcantara shows, while Alcyone is represented by McKinney, Zombro, Expressive Mac and Searchlight, the nast named being the only pacer in the lot. So that while, in the first generation, the Alcyone family's fastest representatives were trotters in the ratio of 3 to 1, and Alcantara's were all pacers, the succeeding generations witness a complete reversal of that condition.

The McKinney branch of the Alcyone family makes a great showing through McKinney and his sons, Zombro and Expressive Mac, while the Alcyone strain is once more in evidence through Searchlight, grandson of the head of the house, and the Dictator blood, with its five representatives, likewise looms very large, although it comes through one son of the house, Director 2:17, the work of Direct and his son and grandson being supplemented by that of The Director General (son of Director), and perhaps to some extent by that of Oratorio, the dam of which horse was by Dictator. That Director should have established such a strong sub-family of pacers is the more remarkable from the fact that he was strictly a trotter, never known to pace a step, and his distaste for any other gait was so marked and his freedom from the use of all mechanical accessories so apparent that John Goldsmith, who had the stallion after his four-year-old form, more than once talked with me about the fact, saying he would like to match Director against any trotter in the world, both horses to go without shoes, boots, or anything but a plain harness.

The Alexander Abdallah's strain gets a place in the above list through the trotter, Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, and the pacers, Atlantic King 2:09¾ and Chitwood 2:22¼. Nutwood Wilkes and Chitwood are sons of Nutwood 2:18¾ (grandson of Abdallah 15), and in connection with what has been told of the pacing streak in the Wilkes blood it is worth noting that their dams were by George Wilkes, and also that the speed average of the Chitwood pair is the best in the table—2:00¾—made by the brother and sister, Lady Maud C. 2:00½ and Hedgewood Boy 2:01. The Atlantic King pacers trace to Abdallah 15, through the stout-hearted trotter Atlantic 2:21, of high-wheel days, he being the sire of Atlantic King and himself a son of Almont, son of Abdallah 15. The Almont blood has furnished some sensational speed at the pace, the most conspicuous examples being Flying Jib 2:04, by Algona, son of Almont; Anaconda 2:01¾ (dam by Algona); and Frank Bogash Jr. 1:59¼, whose sire was a son of Atlantic King, and from a mare by Almont Pilot, son of Almont.

Strathmore, to whom four of the sires in the above table trace, was probably the fastest natural pacer sired by Rysdyk's Hambletonian, the great progenitor, and it is at the pace that his blood has shown

the best, his daughters producing a lot of high-class speed at that way of going, one of them being the dam of the three brothers—Moko, a famous sire, Bumps 2:03¼, a one-time champion wagon pacer, and Baron D. 2:10, a sire. The Strathmore horses get into the above table through the trotter, Charles Derby, his pacing son, Diablo, the pacer Thistle, and the pacer Little Frank. Charles Derby was a son of Steinway, who at one time held the three-year-old trotting record, 2:25¾, he being by Strathmore. Thistle is a son of Sidney, p. 2:19¾, a son of Santa Claus 2:17½, by Strathmore. Sidney naturally was a trotter, and was a star yearling at that age, but too much drilling made him footsore and he shifted to the pace, just as did Direct under like conditions, and in the hands of the same man—Monroe Salisbury. Direct took a trotting record of 2:18½ before soreness made a pacer of him.

Bingen and Bellini, the only horses other than Peter the Great to sire more than one 2:05 trotter, stand out boldly by reason of this fact, and it accentuates the regret that Bellini was limited to so few mares during practically his entire stud career. It also is a pity, in view of what the few of his get that were trained as two- and three-year-olds accomplished, that the ban on early speed development of Bellini's foals was not lifted earlier in the history of the family, since, had that been done, the Bellinis would have added greatly to their fame. His pair of 2:05 trotters, Soprano 2:03¾ and Bonington 2:04¾, were colt trotters of rare class, the filly being a stake winner at three, taking a record of 2:08¾ that summer, while Bonington at three could beat 2:10, took a record of 2:06½ at four, and last summer acquired a race tab of 2:04½ at five.

Bingen's pair are Uhlan 1:58 and Admiral Dewey 2:04¾, and both were colt trotters, the Admiral being a stake winner at three when he took a record of 2:14¼, trotting the last quarter of the mile in :31¾ rather handily. Lameness then laid him on the shelf, and when his mark was carried below the 2:05 line he still was in trouble, and in reality could not take the work necessary to show his best speed. Although Uhlan did not race professionally as a colt, he trotted in 2:27 on the half-mile track at his owner's farm, and at three was matineed in Boston and beat 2:15, showing the speed was there.—H. T. White, Horse Breeder.

RACE PROGRAM AT OREGON STATE FAIR, 1916.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25th.		
Two-year-old Trot	2 in 3	$150.00
2:10 Pace	3 heats	750.00
2:25 Trot	3 heats	600.00
⅝ Handicap Dash		200.00
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26th.		
2:15 Trot	3 heats	700.00
2:18 Pace	3 heats	750.00
Three-year-old Trot	3 heats	400.00
⅝ Mile for Two-year-olds		250.00
⅞ Mile		250.00
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27th.		
Three-year-old Pace	3 heats	400.00
2:30 Trot	3 heats	600.00
2:08 Pace	3 in 5	2000.00
One Mile		350.00
⅜ Mile		100.00
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28th.		
Three Minute Trot (Farmers' Race)	2 in 3	200.00
2:12 Trot	3 in 5	2000.00
2:20 Pace	3 heats	750.00
1¼ Mile	Portland Derby	500.00
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29th.		
2:18 Trot	3 heats	700.00
Free-for-all Pace	3 heats	750.00
Two-year-old Pace	2 in 3	150.00
⅝ Mile		250.00
½ Mile		200.00
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30th.		
Consolation Trot	3 heats	500.00
Consolation Pace	3 heats	500.00
2:25 Pace	3 heats	750.00
One Mile Handicap		350.00

All races except 2:12 trot, 2:25 trot, 2:08 pace and 2:25 pace are late closing events, closing September 11. The four above mentioned are early closing, to close June 1.

A. T. A. MEETING.

Chicago, Ill., March 20, 1916.

Notice is hereby given that the next regular meeting of the Board of Appeals of the American Trotting Association will be held at the Auditorium Hotel, Chicago, Tuesday, May 2, 1916, at 10 o'clock a. m., for the transaction of such business as may properly be presented to the Board for its consideration.

All new applications and written evidence must be received at this office not later than April 10, 1916.

W. H. KNIGHT, Secretary.

FROM CORN ROWS TO FUTURITY WINNERS, OR THE CROOK IN THE LANE.

Trivial happenings have often caused momentous changes in the pages of history, so it is no cause for consternation on the part of those who have never heard the facts in the case before to learn that J. B. Chandler was turned to the driver's profession through a slight disagreement with an honest, God-fearing Illinois farmer, who failed to realize the unbounded energy that lay in the bright-eyed, honest-faced, auburn-thatched farmer boy, who was later destined to achieve a name as a leader among colt trainers. "Chan" was then sixteen and, as common with settlers in those pioneer days, the Chandler family had its trials, so our hero started out with a strong determination to keep the wolf as far away from the Chandler door as possible. At the age of eleven he had made neighborhood fame by conquering an unruly billy goat, throwing him on behind his saddle and riding eighteen miles to the township detention hospital; so it required but a little demonstration of his strength and agility to convince the farmer whom he tackled for a position that he was just about the proper boy to hire. Reporting an hour before sunrise on the day set for beginning work young Chandler started with a determination to honestly earn the fourteen simoleons per month that had been agreed on as wages, payable in coyote hides, at the option of the farmer. In the field at daylight, the long corn rows were made to bloom rapidly under the careful ministration of "Chan," an old gray horse and a single-shovel plow of antique design, and when the dusk was gathering as worker and steed started toward the farmhouse the plowed-out corn stood up, bold and gleaming, one foot higher than the stalks that had yet to meet the willing worker. Supper was eaten and "Chan" was about to seek the nearest bed when a fleet of milk pails that hid well the kitchen floor was assembled and he was bidden to put a fitting finale on the day's labor by assisting the other hired hand to milk thirty-two cows, curry them off for the night and give the same number of calves their alfalfa meal, during which feasting of the juveniles the faithful duo were to whittle shavings for the calves' beds.

The consummation of these varied tasks that supposedly meant the culmination of the day's labor, came well after 10 o'clock, and during the entire process the mental workings of "Chan" were giving some thorough consideration of what to him was a a new phase of farm life.

"Perhaps," thought he, "this sleeping habit is no more than a notion, and if I may help this honest, God-fearing man through the day likewise I can do the same through the night. Sunday afternoons can be used for sleep, and in the added time that I devote to his interests, no doubt, I can gain his favor and get off on the Fourth of July to hunt rabbits."

Pursuing this line of reasoning the youth inquired for the room where the farmer was now sweetly reposing in that sleep that comes only to those who are at peace with their fellow men. "Chan" perceived, as he trod up the stairs, that the snoring came strongly and regularly. Knocking at the door with knuckles made firm from his eighteen-hour session with corn and cows and calves, he finally drew a none too cordial response:

"What do you want?"

"Where is the axe?" quoth "Chan," "and if there is nothing more important on hand I will split wood until breakfast is ready."

Angry at what he considered an unwarranted intrusion on the part of his hired boy the farmer fell into a diatribe of words, ending with the discharge of "Chan." The latter, bitter over the unappreciative farmer's action, hastened to the nearest race track, determining to end it all by plunging his entire savings on the first race of the day—a ten-day meeting with $350 purses was on. Instead, the judges singled him out from the crowd and put him up behind a two-year-old trotter that was being pulled, and "Chan," thinking of the farmer, the corn, the cows, the calves, and his eighteen hours of unappreciated toil, drove the youngster to a thrilling win in 2:32¾. The pleased owner gave him a side of pork for his good work, the judges contributed a grandstand coupon, and he engaged for a full season at an advance in salary over his farm job. The rest is history.—Western Horseman.

Famous Campaigners in Detroit Classics

CALIFORNIANS FEW BUT SELECT

While the Grand Circuit opens at North Randall, things do not begin to get "real hot" as a rule until the following week when the scene shifts to Detroit, interest at the Michigan city being stimulated by the staging of the first of the major classics of the season, the M. and M. and the B. of C., which the general public will have trouble in recognizing as the modern appellation of the time honored Chamber of Commerce. Spriggan and either Virginia Barnette or Esperanza will do battle for M. and M. honors for California, while White Sox or Clara Mac will meet the Board of Commerce wolves. Joe Patchen II., on whom California has a lien, is coupled with The Beaver by Feming & Company of Winnipeg in that same stake and whichever one Billy Fleming starts may be a hard nut to crack. Virginia Humbug is entered in the Wayne Hotel Sweepstakes for three-year-old trotters, and other horses bred here in the west appear in several of the early closers, the complete entries to which are as follows:

MERCHANTS' AND MANUFACTURERS' STAKE, 2:08 TROT, $10,000.

Ames Albingen 2:07¾, Alonzo McDonald; Bonington 2:04¾, E. F. Geers; Bacelli, 3, 2:09¼, Pastime Stables; Dick Watts 2:14¼, A. S. Rodney; Director Todd 2:10¾, Walter R. Cox; Earlwood L. 2:12, W. T. Crozier; Guy Nella 2:07¼, W. R. Neill; Mabel Trask 2:14¾, Walter R. Cox; Mr. Forbes 2:13¼, Milham & Engelman; Omar 2:05¼, J. B. Wathen; Peter Mc. 2:03½, Beau Ideal Stables; Rusticoat 2:08½, Pastime Stables; Sadie S. 2:07¾, M. J. Ronin; St. Frisco 2:07¾, E. F. Geers; Spriggan 2:08¼, V. K. Dunne; The Eno 2:08¼, J. B. Wathen; Trampright 2:09¼, Thomas W. Murphy; Vanko 2:06¼, Thomas W. Murphy; Virginia Barnette 2:08¼, W. G. Durfee; Worthy Prince 2:11¼, Walter R. Cox; Esperanza 2:09, W. G. Durfee.

BOARD OF COMMERCE STAKE, 2:06 PACE, $5,000.

Altawood 2:08¼, C. A. Valentine; Ben Earl 2:12¼, Ed. Peterson; Billy Dale 2:09¼, Walter R. Cox; Del Rey 2:03¾, Walter R. Cox; Fred Russell 2:04, H. C. Hersey, agent; Goldie C. 2:07½, C. A. Valentine; Joe Patchen II. 2:03¼, Fleming & Co.; Lillian T. 2:07¼, Everett Beckwith; Miss Harris M. 2:07¼, Alonzo McDonald; Peter Farren 2:07¼, Thomas W. Murphy; Pat Carmody 2:08½, D. S. Gordon; Roan Hal 2:06¼, Montezuma Stable; Sadie Densmore 2:02, H. H. Thomas, agent; St. Anthony Carter, br h by Sir Lightfoot, E. F. Geers; Shipmaster 2:05¼, Loan Bros.; The Beaver 2:08¼, Fleming & Co.; The Problem 2:08¾, Thomas W. Murphy; The Savoy 2:06¼, Emmett Williams; White Sox 2:05¼, W. G. Durfee; Wilbur S. 2:06½, Curt Gosnell; Young Todd 2:17½, Walter R. Cox; Clara Mac 2:04½, W. G. Durfee.

HOTEL PONCHARTRAIN STAKE, 2:15 TROT, $3.000.

American Girl, Brook Farm; Bothnian, Thomas W. Murphy; Busy Lassie, Walter R. Cox; Brisac, Thomas W. Murphy; Colonel Riser, U. S. Horse Shoe Co.; Ess H. Kay, Jr., Thomas W. Murphy; Early Don, C. A. Valentine; Frank Morris, Walter R. Cox; Grand Chimes, Black River Stock Farm; Helen Worthy, Thomas W. Murphy; Harvest Glow, E. F. Geers; Hollyrood Bertha, Hollyrood Farm; Jeanette Speed, Walter R. Cox; Leonor McKinney, Pastime Stable; Little Grove, A. F. Ruthven, agent; Lindsey, George Rider; Lillian the Great, Beau Ideal Stock Farm; Lu Princeton, Walter R. Cox; Peter Grim, Hollyrood Farm; Regardless, Frank Hedrick; Uno Stanley, R. H. Anderson; Walnut Grove, A. F. Ruthven, agent; Widower Peter, W. H. Grosch.

HOTEL GRISWOLD STAKE, 2:10 PACE, $2,000.

A. D. C., Dempsey Bros.; Adioo Guy, Harry Gray, agent; Arkensello, Black River Stock Farm; Bayman, G. C. Johnstone; Baby Bertha, Maplewood Stock Farm; Ben Earl, Ed Peterson; Bessie R., E. E. Bell; Billy Dale, Walter R. Cox; Box R., V. V. Martin; Derby Custer, Thomas W. Murphy; Jay El Mack, Everitt Beckwith; Jimmy E., C. A. Valentine; Marjorie Kay, Walter R. Cox; May Fern, C. A. Valentine; Periolat, Harry Gray, agent; Peter Farren, Thomas W. Murphy; Peter Piper, Walter R. Cox; Presolite, C. P. Cecil Jr.; Sad Thoughts, Ed Peterson; Spring Maid, B. F. White, agent; The Problem, Thomas W. Murphy; Wilbur S., Curt Gosnell; Young Todd, Walter R. Cox.

WAYNE HOTEL SWEEPSTAKES, THREE-YEAR-OLD TROT, $600 ADDED.

Brownie Watts, br f by General Watts, A. S. Rodney; Expressive Lou, b f by Atlantic Express, Thomas W. Murphy; Forrest B., b c by Mainleaf, Hollyrood Farm; Great Minnie, b f by Peter the Great, W. L. Snow; Harrod's Creek, ch c by General Watts, H. A. Bell; Lightsome Watts, b f by General Watts, E. F. Geers; Maple Tree, br c by Siliko, John E. Madden; Native Judge, b c by Justice Brooke, Brook Farm; Pat De Forest, br c by The De Forest, E. F. Geers; Peter Dixie, b c by Peter the Great, Reamore Farm; Sister Susan, b f by Peter the Great, Walter R. Cox; Walnut Tree, b f by Siliko, H. J. Schlesinger; W. G. Truman, br c by Crito Leyburn, J. C. Small; Willow Tree, b g by Siliko, W. L. Snow; Virginia Humbug, W. G. Durfee.

PERFORMERS AND PRODUCERS OF 2:10 TROTTING SPEED.

[From the Trotter and Pacer.]

When Wallace had the Year Book well under way, back in 1880, not of the least importance in that publication was "The Table of Great Brood Mares."

Admission to that hall of fame required that a matron be the dam of two standard performers, else have one in the list and either a producing son or daughter. The requirements have not been made more severe, yet how we have grown away from it is well attested by the fact that in 1915 alone fifteen mares became dams of two 2:10 trotters.

Almost everybody concedes that the finest test of a brood mare is to produce herself and throw a producing daughter. As the 2:10 list is now the standard by common adoption, there is presented below a list of the brood mares which have produced a 2:10 trotter and have one daughter at least that has accomplished this classification.

Until recently first place in this hall of fame belonged unquestionably to Adolph Spreckels' short bred mare Jenny, by Bull Pup. She produced Hulda 2:08½; another daughter produced Dione 2:07¼, and Dione completed the third generation of 2:10 speed by furnishing to the turf Bernice R. 2:07¼.

The place of honor, it is interesting to note, passes to another short-bred mare—Nell, by Estill Eric. She produced two 2:10 troters herself, has three daughters that are 2:10 dams, and last year's two-year-old colt, Bingen Silk 2:08¾, furnished the third generation. Jenny and Nell are the only brood mares in this classification that won such distinction. It is also noteworthy that there are just ten 2:10 trotting mares that are 2:10 producers as follows: Lou Dillon, Nancy Hanks, Lillian R., Lucille, A. Leading Lady, Zephyr, Dione, Lucile Marlow, Miss Adbell and Caracalla. The complete list of great producing mares follows:

Nell, by Estell Eric-Skipper, by The Embry Horse; dam of
1—Tom Axworthy, rn g, by Axworthy.....2:07
2—Belle Vara, b m, by Vatican.....2:08¾
3—Amnell, by Ambassador, dam of
1—Guynella, b m, by Guy Axworthy.....2:07¼
4—Nelda Worthy 2:12½, by Axworthy, dam of
2—Prinelda, rn f (3), by Prince McKinney.....2:09½
5—La Rose, by Anteeo, dam of
3—Gray Gem, gr g, by Dancourt.....2:09½
6—Nell Worthy 2:22, by Axworthy, dam of
4—Nell Cord 2:26¾, by Silk Cord, dam of
1—Bingen Silk, b c (2), by Bingen.....2:08¾

Jenny, by Bull Pup, son of St. Lawrence, dam s. t. b. by Williamson's Belmont; dam of
1—Hulda, b m, by Guy Wilkes...—.....2:08½
2—Gracie S. 2:22, by Speculation, dam of
1—Dione 2:07¼, b m, by Eros, dam of
1—Bernice R., b m, by Dexter Prince.....2:07¼

Cascarilla 2:15½, by Shelby Chief—Missie by Brignoli; dam of
1—Caspian, b g, by Patron.....2:07¼
2—Caracalla 2:10, b m, by Patron, dam of
1—Carroll, b g, by McAdams.....2:09¼
3—Carrilla 2:22½, by Nugget, dam of
2—Norrie, b g, by Brown Wilkes.....2:09¼

Nancy Lee, by Dictator—Sophy, by Edwin Forrest; dam of
1—Nancy Hanks 2:04, b m, by Happy Medium, dam of
1—Admiral Dewey, b h, by Bingen.....2:04¾
2—Lord Roberts, b h, by Arion.....2:07¼
3—Narion, by Arion, dam of
1—Albia, b m, by Bingen.....2:08¾
4—Muda S., by Stamboul, dam of
2—Muda Guy, b f (4), by Guy Axworthy.....2:09

Miss Copeland, by Almont Star—Copeland Mare by Prophet Jr.; dam of
1—Copeland, br g., by Del Mar.....2:09¼
2—Expectation, by Autograph, dam of
1—Major Delmar, b g, by Del Mar.....1:59¾
2—Justice Brooke, br c (3), by Barongale.....2:08½

Maggie Yeazer, by Red Wilkes—Docia Payne, by Almont; dam of
1—Walnut Hall, br h, by Conductor.....2:08¼
2—Mary North, by Moko, dam of
1—Vito, b c (4) by Prodigal.....2:09¼
2—Northspur, b c (3), by San Francisco.....2:09¾

Paronella, by Parkville—Minnie Merrill, by Young Jim; dam of
1—Country Jay, ch g, by Jay Hawker.....2:05¼
2—Kentucky Todd, bl c (3), by Todd.....2:08¾
3—Ormonde, bl c (3), by Wilkes Boy.....2:08¾
4—Judge Parker, br h, by Jay McGregor.....2:09½
5—Lady Ripples 2:15, by The Tramp, dam of
1—Lady Elmhurst, rn f (4), by Walnut Hall.....2:10

Emma T. 2:17½, by Socrates—Patsy Labor, by Abdallah Pilot; dam of
1—Emma Brook, b m, by Silent Brook.....2:09¾
2—Miss Adbell 2:09¾, b f (3), by Adbell dam of
1—Adbell M., b c (4), by Moko.....2:08¾

Miss Edgar 2:29, by Bourbon Wilkes—Lark, by Abdallah Mambrino; dam of
1—Lucille Marlow 2:09¼, b f (4), by Prodigal, dam of
1—Lucille Bingen, b f (3), by Bingen.....2:08½
2—Minna Ward, b f (3), by Prodigal.....2:10

Gaiety Girl 2:15¼, by Red Wilkes—Maggie H., by Homer; dam of
1—Gay Audubon, ch c (4), by Audubon Boy.....2:06¾
2—Gaiety Lee 2:16¾, by Bingen, dam of
1—Lee Axworthy, b c (4), by Guy Axworthy...2:03¼

Caracas, by Bingen—Houri by Onward; dam of
1—Nahma, b m, by Peter the Great.....2:07¼
2—Vera Peters, by Peter the Great, dam of
1—Vincent Todd, b c (3), by Jim Todd.....2:08¾

Cricket, by Pilot Medium—Trixy, by Louis Napoleon; dam of
1—Carlo, bl g, by Bellini.....2:08¾
2—Trixy Nutwood, by Nutwood, dam of
1—Beatrice Bellini, bl m, by Bellini.....2:08½
2—Tokio, gr g, by Bellini.....2:09

Nancy Hanks 2:04, by Happy Medium—Nancy Lee, by Dictator; dam of
1—Admiral Dewey, b h, by Bingen.....2:04¾
2—Lord Roberts, b h, by Arion.....2:07¼
3—Narion, by Arion, dam of
1—Albia, b m, by Bingen.....2:08¾

Ozama, by Director—Mary Sprague, by Gov. Sprague; dam of
1—Ozanam, br m, by Axtell.....2:07
2—Ozalma 2:20¼, by Moko, dam of
1—O'Neill, br h, by Walnut Hall.....2:07¼

The May Fern 2:11½, by Red Fern—Slip, by Gen. Geo. H. Thomas; dam of
1—Capt. Aubrey, b h, by Peter the Great.....2:07¼
2—Humma, by Bingen, dam of
1—Straight Sail, bl f (3), by Mainsheet.....2:08¾

Maggie F., by Young Jim—Molly, by Young Diamond; dam of
1—The Wanderer, b g, by The Tramp.....2:08¼
2—Lady Valdameer, by Valdameer, dam of
1—Creighton, b g, by The Bondsman.....2:08¼

Johannah Treat 2:24¾, by Thos. Rysdyk—Katie Treat, by Venture; dam of
1—Del Coronado, b h, by McKinney.....2:09½
2—My Irene S., by Petigru, dam of
1—Esperanza, b f (3), by Carlokin.....2:09

Blessing, by Jay Bird; dam of
1—Onward Silver, ch h, by Onward.....2:05¼
2—Sarah McLure, by Cresceus, dam of
1—Cedar Lake Girl, b m, by Bob Noble.....2:09¼

Enola D., by Axtell—Annie Thomas, by Cyclone; dam of
1—Chase, b g by Keeler.....2:07¼
2—The Huntress 2:23¾, by Onward Silver, dam of
1—Margaret Druien, b m, by Peter the Great...2:03¼

Ethelwynn, by Harold—Kathleen, by Pilot Jr.; dam of
1—Ethel's Pride, b m, by Directum.....2:06¾
2—Extasy 2:11½, by Baron Wilkes, dam of
1—Lord Dewey, b h, by Admiral Dewey.....2:03¾

Kentucky Central, by Balsora—Nonesuch, by Brignoli; dam of
1—Kentucky Union, ch m, by Aberdeen.....2:07¼
2—Sylvan Maid, by Aberdeen, dam of
1—Onward Silver, ch h, by Onward.....2:05¼

Crystalline 2:19¼, by Onward—Crystal, by Crittenden; dam of
1—Crystallion, b h, by Arion.....2:08¾
2—Bondalin, by The Bondsman, dam of
1—Bondella, b f (3), by Walnut Hall.....2:07¾

Fanny K. 2:21¼, by Major Benton—Lady Prince, by Jefferson Prince; dam of
1—Lucille 2:07, b m, by Brummell, dam of
1—Lucille Spier, b f (3), by Directum Spier....2:07¾

Crescent, by Robert McGregor—Belle H., by Clark Chief Jr.; dam of
1—Gulvallis Directum, b c (4), by Directum.....2:08¾
2—Zella Directum, by Directum, dam of
1—Electric Patch, bl c (3), by Dan Patch.....2:09¼

Letitia 2:18¾, by Louis Napoleon—Maud, by Garabaldi; dam of
1—Lillian R. 2:04½, b m, by J. T., dam of
1—Peter Mc., b h, by Peter the Great.....2:03½

Lou Milton, by Milton Medium—Fly, pedigree untraced; dam of
1—Lou Dillon 1:58½, ch m, by Sidney Dillon, dam of
1—Lou Billings, b f (3), by John A. McKerron..2:08¾

Gracie S. 2:22, by Speculation—Jenny, by Bull Pup; dam of
1—Dione 2:07¼, b m, by Eros, dam of
1—Bernice R., b m, by Dexter Prince.....2:07¼

Miss Pratt, by Heir at Law—Lettie B., by Taggart's Abdallah; dam of
1—A Leading Lady 2:07, b f (3), by Bingen, dam of
1—The Lady Zombro, b m, by Zombro.....2:10

Gazelle 2:11½, by Gossiper—Gipsey, by Gen. Booth; dam of
1—Zephyr 2:07¼, b m, by Zombro, dam of
1—Virginia Barnette, b f (3), by Moko.....2:08¼

Maideen, by Aberdeen—Daisy, by Crittenden; dam of
1—Patchen Maid 2:08¼, bl m by Patchen Wilkes, dam of
1—Santos Maid, b f (4), by Peter the Great.....2:08¼

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At a meeting of the Sonoma County Driving Club held Monday night in Santa Rosa it was decided to hold the first matinee of the season on Sunday, May 28, at the track in that city. Similar events will be held throughout the summer at Petaluma and Sonoma, with horsemen from all three cities participating in them, and as between the combination there is a sufficiency of horses for the staging of generous programs some excellent sport is assured. The feature of the opening card will be a match race between Frank Turner and Joe Ryan, the former piloting the pacing gelding Dr. Wm. S. Jennings and the latter pinning his faith to the former Stadium pacer Hamburg Belle.

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Mahomet Watts 2:08¼, the fast but erratic son of General Watts which Charley DeRyder had out here a year ago, is now owned by Bob Moreland of Lexington, who will work him over into a show horse.

NUTWOOD'S FIRST STANDARD PERFORMANCE.

While we have, since the passing of the Horseman, become accustomed to alluding to the Horse Review as our sole surviving Chicago contemporary, the fact remains that we have another most highly respected kindred publication in the city where winter sometimes lingers in the lap of spring, etc., etc., the Breeder's Gazette. True the latter journal is devoted more especially to general farming and stock raising than to the trotting horse, but quite often the horse department contains contributions of exceptional interest to the trotting fraternity. Some weeks ago there appeared under the title "Nutwood's Introduction to the Track" the following letter from Fannie Passeday Duncan of Kentucky, which the many western horsemen who recall the famous chestnut stallion who took his best record over the Stockton track in 1879 and who came to be revered as the greatest of brood mare sires, will take pleasure in reading:

Here is a bit of ancient trotting horse history that may interest your older reades. I found the letter among some old papers belonging to my husband. The name of the writer of the letter was not in evidence:

"There was to be a trot meeting at Grand Rapids. I had a friend at Pittsburg who wrote me if a yellow stallion would appear at the meeting. He was still unknown but I could lay money on him freely, for he certainly could trot in 2:25. The name, he wrote, was Nutwood. My friend added that Nutwood was owned by a shrewd man who would never show him up until he was ready to win, and advised me to say nothing, but go in.

"Monday we went out to see the horses move. In came a big chestnut stallion, jogging sleepily around the track, never moving faster than a 3-minute gait and then disappearing. No one timed him, no one noticed him. That night Frank Shaw mounted the stand and proceeded to sell the horses down. B. C. Holly's Little Sam was the favorite and the horses were sold out briskly until at the end Shaw called Nutwood. No one seemed to know him, but a small voice said 'Two dollars.' The same process with the same result was repeated and I looked for the owner of the voice. He was a quiet, modest, medium-sized man, partly hid by a pillar—J. W. Knox. Once again the pool was sold and when Nutwood was called the same old two-dollar bid was made. Then I held up three fingers. Shaw looked surprised but he cried my bid and Mr. Knox said four. I held up five fingers. There was no further competition and I was possessor of a Nutwood pool—the first. This process was repeated three times and I quietly moved my position until I was near Mr. Knox. He said: 'I see you are buying Nutwood pools. What do you know about him?'

"Well, the race was trotted. Splan was in it, and some other noted drivers, and Little Sam after winning two heats was a great favorite, etc. In the first two heats Nutwood was nowhere. In the third, when he passed first under the wire in a jog there surely was astonishment in the grand stand and consternation among the betting fraternity. Nutwood won with ease. It was in this race Nutwood first beat 2:30. Was it not singular that in this race Nutwood should have defeated Mr. Holly, who in 1888 owned and trotted Nutwood's best son to a fast record, made $20,000 out of his trotting capacity, and sold him for $32,000 to Robert Steel of Philadelphia?

"It is interesting in this connection to recall that to Mr. Knox was practically due Nutwood's breeding, for once when on a visit to Woodburn, Mr. Knox said: 'Broadhead, if you breed that gray mare to Belmont I will give you $500 for the foal at weaning time.' The gray mare was Miss Russell, afterward the dam of Maud S. 2:08¾, and Nutwood was the foal."

While not Nutwood's real "introduction to the track," as he had won a few races in the previous year, 1876, at minor meetings and for small purses, the race alluded to above was his first appearance in an event of much importance or in especially tough company, the purse being eight hundred dollars and the field including B. C. Holly's Little Sam 2:30, P. Wineman's Lady Logan 2:30½, A. A. Roger's Belle of Fairfield 2:31¼, W. Sinsabaugh's Rose of Washington 2:21¾, C. S. Case's Kinsman Boy 2:28½ and R. M. Anderson's Maud Williams 2:37. Little Sam won the first and second heats, Lady Logan the fifth, and Nutwood the third, fourth and sixth, the time of the race being 2:33, 2:33¼, 2:29, 2:30¼, 2:32¼, 2:31½.

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Esperanza (3) 2:09.
Spriggan 2:08¼.
Virginia Barnette (3) 2:08¼.
Are entered in the M. & M. at Detroit.

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While the Board of Commerce catches Clara Mac 2:04½ and White Sox 2:05¼.

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Del Rey 2:03¾ is another native son who may start in the latter classic, under eastern colors.

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And the Two Eyed Joseph Patchen, winner of the event in 1912, will endeavor to stage a comeback stunt if all goes well.

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Doctor Burns Jr., mentioned as a probability some weeks ago, is not in the list, so the sore finger must still be a little touchy.

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Spring has come in Chicago, officially, and has been welcomed editorially by the staff of our esteemed sole surviving Chicago contemporary.

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However, the cold cream adorning the winsome lassie's features, presumed by the editor of our e. s. s. C. c. in his innocence to have been administered as a precaution against sun burn—

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Really proved to be a preparedness measure against the attack of General Jack Frost and his cohorts.

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However, there is gladness in the hearts of the climatic paradisers, as the Year Book is out and warmer weather cannot now be long deferred. Nay, Genevieve, not long, not long.

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Verbena Mac, now at Stony Ford Farm, New York, has foaled to the cover of Prince Ansel (2) 2:20½, the youngster being a full brother to Verbena Ansel (1) 2:22½, now in the stable of Billy Marvin and being entered by him in the two-year-old sweepstakes on the big line.

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Steve D., who has been one of the standbys of the matinee game locally for a number of seasons, has been sold by G. Tassi of this city to Archdeacon Emery and D. J. White of Atwater, California, and will round out his career in light road use in the service of those gentlemen.

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Now that the training season is getting along to the time when you are making a little more speed you may need some new boots and special rigging. Odd sizes and shapes need not worry you if you will confide your troubles to J. Janson, Jr., at Pleasanton, now about the only custom boot maker in this part of the world.

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Among the entries to the 2:10 early closing pacing events at North Randall and Detroit, the Edwards and the Hotel Griswold stakes, appears the name of Adioo Guy 2:10¾, the chestnut son of Guy Dillon and Adioo by Guy Wilkes bred here in California by F. S. Turner of Santa Rosa and raced through Michigan and Ohio last season with such success by Harry Gray. Starting in ten races in 1915, most of them over halfmile tracks, he was but once behind the money, once fourth, once second and seven times a winner, so he figures as one of the kind of race horses that the Dillons make when they are really good ones, a trait that runs pretty regularly in the get of Guy Dillon especially. Reviewing the probable candidates for pacing honors in the central west of late a contributor to the American Sportsman paid him the following respect: "Adioo Guy 2:10¾ is by Guy Dillon 2:23½. It is human nature for us all to admire a few horses in particular, and we were rather disappointed last fall because this little chestnut and Kate McKinney did not hook up, because, in our humble opinion, a duel would have resulted such as is seldom seen. We have seen Adioo Guy, in the space of an eighth, come from the rear, whip around his field and be several open lengths in the lead before the opposition realized what had happened. Last season was his first time out, yet he learned all the angles of the game and was a sure 2:05 pacer in the fall, although he only worked in 2:06, first half in about 1:04½. He will probably make only a couple of starts on the halfmile rings, then hit the Grand Circuit." From the way he is performing he looms as a real pacer, and while he is no longer owned in California his career in select company will be watched with a great deal of interest. (Incidentally, while looking over his performances of 1915 in that official publication, the Year Book, we find his record given in the alphabetical list of new performers as 2:11¼, while in the heat at Monroe, Michigan, which he won in 2:10¾, he is credited with finishing in eleventh position, a rank also accorded to Astrola in the same heat. We learn further that he is both a mare and a stallion and that the proper spelling of the name is Adioo Guy, Addioo Guy and Adivoo Guy, all official. However, that is nothing, especially between friends.)

Sure, J. David West has it if it is in the line of horse furnishings. A card to him at 1018 Fillmore street, this city, will bring you what you want by return mail.

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The track at Everett, Washington, where the Snohomish County Fair is to be staged, is being made into a regulation halfmile course and the speed program this year will be more pretentious than at any time in the past.

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There was no fooling about the April Fool's Day matinee held at Santa Ana by the members of the Orange County Driving Club, the racing being of the keen variety that furnished excellent entertainment to the crowd in attendance. Three harness races, two events for the thoroughbreds, a novelty race for mounted horsemen and a bicycle race made up a generous program. The best time to harness was made in the opening event by Atlantic Fleet, who equaled his regular record of 2:21 pacing, a pretty fair clip for this time of the year.

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The editor is in receipt of a communication from Budd Doble in which that gentleman contradicts the report of the sale of Kinney de Lopez to Bob Sebastian, made recently in these columns. Our information at the time was derived from a letter from Mr. Sebastian, but evidently the negotiations fell through at the last moment. Mr. and Mrs. Doble are still at Hemet but expect to leave there shortly and enter definitely upon the long promised vacation, taking with them the best wishes of the community in which they have made their home for the last four or five years, as well as those of trotting horse folks throughout the world.

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Helen Belle (2) 2:22¼, who was left at Pleasanton last fall by W. G. Durfee to be bred to the great trotter Anvil 2:02¾, died some days ago at that place from unknown causes. She started but once last season, winning the senior trotting division of the Oregon futurity in straight heats, without having to lower the record taken as a two-year-old at Los Angeles, and was reckoned by Mr. Durfee as a coming great brood mare, being by Carlokin 2:07½ out of Carolyn C. by Axtell (3) 2:12, whose daughters have produced ten trotters with records from 2:05 to 2:08¼, grandam Expedience by Expedition 2:15¾, sire of the dams of such good race trotters as Jack Leyburn 2:04¼, Tenara 2:05¾, and many others.

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Abbie McNutward by Guy McKinney, dam Lady Irene 2:14½ by Diablo 2:09¼, grandam Geraldine (dam of Leata J. 2:03) by Mount Vernon 2:15¼, foaled on March 29 a fine brown filly by Derbertha Bells, the young lady having been named Bertha Tripple, to signify her manifold relationship to Bertha, greatest of all great brood mares. Abbie McNutward is the dam of the good filly Greatness (3) 2:10¼, winner of second money in last year's three-year-old pacing division of the Breeder's futurity, and as he is pretty well overstocked with horses at present she and other well bred ones are being offered for sale through our business columns by owner J. W. Pendleton, 1601 Seminary Avenue, Oakland.

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As May Day this year comes on Monday, which is not the best day of the week for a celebration, Dixon will stage her annual "May Day Festival" on the following Saturday, May 6, which is much more convenient for all concerned. As usual the harness races will play a very large part in the day's activities and will be three in number, the Dixon colt stake, already closed and in which a number of the best colts in this section of the state are eligible to start, and a 2:20 class and a free-for-all for aged horses of either gait. These latter events will be three in five at halfmile heats for purses of $150, to which will be added all entrance money received in each class, entrance fee being fifteen dollars, cash with entry. Closing date is set for Saturday, April 15, and all particulars may be obtained by addressing L. A. Morris, chairman Chamber of Commerce, Dixon.

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The current number of our northwestern contemporary, the Rural Spirit, contains an inquiry from C. P. Caylor of La Grande for the maternal blood lines of the trotting mare Cantatrice 2:25¼, and the editor takes pleasure in supplying the same, having had an acquaintance of some years' standing with the family of the mare in question, dating back to the time when he was a resident of the community in which she was reared. Cantatrice was foaled at Brook Nook Ranche, Montana, in 1904, a daughter of Alcone and the double producing matron Traviata by Malcolm 5661, grandam Drama by Lexington Golddust 4205. Malcolm was a son of Robert McGregor 2:17½ and the great brood mare Maggie Medium by Happy Medium and was owned for a number of years in Montana, first by Amsden, Brookman & Company, and then by C. X. Larrabee. After the purchase of the Amsden, Brookman & Co. property by Mr. Larrabee, those holdings forming the nucleus of what is now Ruby Dell Ranch, Mr. Brookman became manager of that tract and was for many years identified with the Larrabee interests in that capacity. Cantatrice is a full sister to Cadence 2:16, and if Mr. Caylor will address an inquiry to either H. L. Miller, Homepark, Montana, or Cyrus Gates, care of the Pacific Realty Co., Bellingham, Washington, he may learn the breeding farther back, which has escaped the memory of the writer.

M. L. Jones of Brooks, Oregon, for some years one of the progressive members of the Oregon State Fair Board, has been reappointed to that office by Governor Withycombe and has succeeded J. H. Booth of Roseburg as president of the board. The fair at Salem has flourished in a most gratifying manner during Mr. Booth's tenure of office and the good work will doubtless go on in an uninterrupted manner under Mr. Jones.

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Frank B. Dupree of San Diego has recently purchased of Fred W. Wadham and sent to the track at Los Angeles for training the four-year-old brown filly Bonnie Treat by The Bondsman and a three-year-old gelding by Nuristo, both out of that grand old matron Johanna Treat 2:24¾, dam of Del Coronado 2:09½, Zulu Belle 2:06¼, etc. Mr. Wadham considers the Nuristo gelding the most promising foal that Johanna has yet produced, and Mr. Dupree will give both of them a fair show to live up to the reputation established by the older members of the tribe.

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George L. Swisher, who has wintered with his horses at his home place near Provolt, Oregon, moved to the track at Medford late in March with seven head of candidates for honors this season on the North Pacific Circuit, all trotters but one and all green but one. This one exception is the trotting mare Hallie B. 2:16¼ in a winning race on a halfmile track, she having been raced successfully by Swisher in 1915, being but once behind the money out of eight starts. She was once third, once first and the balance of the time second, usually to Floradora Z., and forced that good campaigner to trot to a record of 2:11½ at North Yakima to win, the slowest of the three heats being 2:13¼. An attempt to refresh our recollections of Hallie B. by reference to Volume 31 of the Year Book were very nearly frustrated completely owing to the fact that she is credited "officially" with being a pacer insofar as recent performances are concerned, though credited with her old trotting record of 2:24¼. It is also a matter of regret that so good a trotter should be given as "guideless" on the dam's side "officially," as she is out of the standard and registered mare Zircon by Vice Regent, grandam Sard by Alaska, a son of Electioneer, third dam Lavina 2:28 (dam of one trotter) by Woodford Wilkes, fourth dam Pearl (dam of four trotters and three pacers) by Ashland Patchen, fifth dam Ruby Duroc (dam of two trotters) by Messenger Duroc, sixth dam Lady Nodine by Hambletonian 10, seventh dam by American Star. As she promises to be quite a bit better than a 2:10 trotter, by a non-standard pacing sire, we recommend this maternal pedigree to the consideration of the "official" compilers before the publication of another number of the Year Book. George writes under date of March 24 that in making the change to Medford, in the heart of the Rogue River fruit zone, he expected to find some nice warm weather, but instead ran into a touch of frost that had set all the smudge spots to smoking so enthusiastically that a breath of fresh air was a rarity, while in "navigating" in the haze the danger was always uppermost of colliding with a lamp post or plate glass window in a manner pointing to an over indulgence in the brand of squirrel poison that has become popular in Oregon since the dry laws went into effect.

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C. A. Harrison of "somewhere in Washington" paid one of his frequent brief visits to California this week, dropping in Monday and returning to the northwest by the Shasta Limited on Wednesday, Tuesday having been spent at Pleasanton watching the horses work. In Peter's Queen in the stable of Millard Sanders, Mr. Harrison has a five-year-old trotting mare that seems to be a genuine Peter the Great from what she has shown Millard so far this spring, negotiating a couple of halves under the eye of her owner Tuesday in 1:06, while she has been the same distance earlier in the year in time a bit faster. This lassie, whose dam is a full sister to Sonoma Girl 2:04¼, came to Millard in rather rundown condition during the winter and has been brought around by him very nicely indeed, being now in most excellent shape. Going slow she has the rather rough, unattractive gait that characterizes many of the best of her family, but flattens into a very good way of going, carrying a low head and attending strictly to business. She will not be raced this season but will be brought along carefully and given a thorough sampling late in the season to see if she is of the Grand Circuit kind. Owing to the dearth of racing on the coast Mr. Harrison is sending to the Indianapolis sale the nice young mare Tosora (2) 2:26¼, now five years of age by The Patchen Boy (3) 2:10¾, and the three-year-old Boniquee by Count Boni, both out of that good daughter of Joe Patchen 2:01¼, Niquee 2:13¾, whose dam was Oenone 2:11¼ by Woodford Wilkes, etc. John B. Stetson of Salem, in whose stable these mares are at present, will also send to the same sale the trotting mare Novela 2:15¼ by Letrado (3) 2:25, dam Navajo by Alaska, grandam Native Silver by Red Wilkes, etc., her record having been made last season over the halfmile track at Chehalis. The three will arrive at Pleasanton shortly and make the trip to the Hoosier auction along with the consignment of Charley DeRyder and Rodney MacKenzie. They will sell under the watch, and Mr. Harrison reports them in fine shape to show that way, having had the benefit of a first class wintering with plenty of work. True Kinney 2:12¼ is taking his work in great fashion at Seattle and will probably be raced by Mr. Harrison on the tracks of the North Pacific Circuit.

Thoroughbred Matters

[Written for the Breeder and Sportsman.]

THE BLOOD THAT WINS.

That the line of Eclipse now includes all but a trifling percentage of the thoroughbreds of England is sufficiently well known. The line of Matchem, in spite of its prominence in the first half of the nineteenth century, is now reduced to obscure individuals. The Herod line, with its great American members from Glencoe to Hamburg, was allowed almost to run out in England, when the recent importation of Roi Herode from France, followed by his great son, The Tetrarch, gave it new footing. There remain the descendants of Eclipse, to whom it is convenient to refer under the subdivisions of those great individuals in the history of breeding,—Blacklock, Touchstone, Stockwell, and Isonomy.

It occurred to me that it would be interesting to determine the relative prominence of these lines among the latest winners of the English turf, particularly as nothing of the kind is set forth in the usual records. At the beginning of 1916 the annual tables of the sires of winners and the sires of their dams, with the comparative winnings in each division, were published in London by the periodicals devoted to English breeding. It is a time-honored custom. It gratifies and rewards the owners by spreading the fame of their stallions and their mares; but in itself it reveals nothing of the secret factors that produced the results. Limiting myself to the task of ascertaining the relative prominence of the different lines, I have examined each individual stallion in those tabulated lists with the object of comparing their descent in tail male. The evidence thus collected shows at a glance the culminated tendencies of the last few decades of English breeding. It will be a surprise, I think, to American breeders to realize the dominant position now occupied by the Blacklock strain.

Among the 19 sires whose offspring in 1915 won more than £3,000, the Blacklock blood divides the leadership almost equally with that of Stockwell. The latter won £44,638, the former £42,007; but there were 65 Blacklock winners against 58 Stockwells. When the sires of dams are considered, the disparity is so great that the Blacklock horses stand by themselves. Their offspring won £49,157, but the winnings of mares by Stockwell sires did not go beyond £16,769. In the matter of two-year old winnings the Blacklocks again opened a tremendous gap: their winnings were £16,170 against £7,498 by the Stockwells. Yet two of the greatest sires in England at sprinting distances, Polymelus and Orby, are in the Stockwell line. From the two-year-old supremacy of the Blacklocks it is not to be inferred that they do not also shine by reason of their stamina. In the division of stayers, of the sires of winners at ten furlongs and over, the Blacklock sires once again overtop the Stockwells by the number and record of such horses as St. Frusquin, Collar, Santoi, The White Knight, compared with Radium of Stockwell descent. Desmond, who leads every other sire of two-year-old winners by more than £3,300, is all but entitled to be added to the ten furlong class of the four Blacklock sires just named. In the same class are Dark Ronald and Spearmint of the Touchstone line.

To tabulate for handy reference the 19 sires of winners of £3,000 and over according to their descent in tail male:—

58	winners by	7	Stockwell sires won	£44,638
65	" "	7	Blacklock " "	42,007
28	" "	2	Touchstone " "	17,337
18	" "	2	Isonomy " "	12,923
6	" "	1	Herod " "	3,385

These sires, or at any rate the first eleven in the list, made the following winnings, which I have divided between their two-year-olds and their older offspring:—

1.	Polymelus	4	2-yr.-olds,	£3,099:	6	others,	£14,639
2	Dark Ronald,	2	"	297:	9	"	11,946
3.	Sundridge,	2	"	4,045:	12	"	6,446
4.	Desmond,	6	"	7,776:	4	"	1,117
5.	Llangibby,	0	"	.....:	8	"	8,537
6.	St. Frusquin,	6	"	2,080:	4	"	6,034
7.	Orby,	4	"	4,399:	4	"	3,130
8.	Symington,	5	"	1,036:	12	"	3,957
9.	Valens,	3	"	1,511:	2	"	3,165
10.	Fariman,	5	"	3,607:	5	"	779
11.	Santoi,	0	"	.....:	10	"	4,219

The sires of winning two-year-olds of 1915 stand in this order of winnings above £2,000: (1) Desmond. (2) Orby. (3) Sundridge. (4) Fariman. (5) Polymelus. (6) Roi Herode. (7) Chaucer. (8) St. Frusquin. (9) Bayardo. The Blacklocks are Nos. 1, 3, 7 and 8. Isonomy, Herod, and Touchstone are represented by Nos. 4, 6 and 9. The other two are Stockwells.

When the sires of the winning broodmares are compared, the mares whose offspring won £3,000 and over, the result is as follows:—

49	mares by	7	Blacklock sires won		£49,157
41	" "	3	Isonomy " "		22,564
21	" "	4	Stockwell " "		16,769
28	" "	2	Touchstone " "		9,959

These 16 sires of broodmares stand in the following order: (1) **Persimmon**, £12,923. (2) **St. Hilaire**, £11,336. (3) Gallinule, £9,635. (4) **Velasquez**, £8,635. (5) Isinglass, £6,579. (6) Hackler, £6,417. (7) Wildfowler, £6,350. (8) **St. Serf**, £5,523. (9) Melton, £4,775. (10) Orvieto, £4,668. (11) Cyllene, £4,303. (12) **Donovan**, £3,871. Then **Matchmaker**, Ayrshire, **St. Simon**, Meddler, each above £3,000. The Blacklocks are in heavy type.

The object of this brief analysis will have been attained, if, at a time when the importation of English thoroughbreds is exceptionally brisk, the American breeder shall realize the modifying influence which this diffusion of the Blacklock blood is sure to exert on the future of breeding. At the moment, Polymelus, a horse of Stockwell descent, has been for two successive years the leading sire of English winners. His dam and his grandam were both by Touchstone sires. His pedigree has not received any direct addition from a horse of Blacklock descent in seventy years. But already his greatest son, deeply inbred though he is to two great members of the Touchstone line, Hampton and Hermit, is akin to the Blacklocks through his maternal grandsire, St. Hilaire.

A. A. WHEELER.

San Francisco, April 2, 1916.

The meeting at Bowie got away to a nice start a few days ago, and since that time has come the pleasing information that the Hall anti-gambling bill which was introduced into the Maryland legislature failed of advancement to its third reading on the final night of the biennial session of that body, which came to a close Monday. This means at least two more years of racing at the four Maryland tracks where the thoroughbreds have been so popular in late seasons, Bowie, Pimlico, Havre de Grave and Laurel.

The flourishing condition of thoroughbred racing in the east is well attested by the patronage accorded the recently closed stakes of the Empire City Racing Association, to be contested at their track at Yonkers during the meeting of July 12 to 28. The fifteen events received a total of eight hundred and seventy-six entries from seventy-six owners, distributed as follows: Empire City Handicap 55, Yonkers Handicap 51, Mt. Vernon Handicap 67, Fleetwing Handicap 53, Melrose Stakes 52, Arrow Stakes 49, Whirl Stakes 88, East View Stakes 81, Wakefield Handicap 84, Demoiselle Stakes 71, Frivolity Stakes 54 and the Sprightful Stakes 52. The fields will be highly representative ones, as the best stables in the country are included in the list from which nominations have been received.

All doubts as to the staging of those two great English classics, the Derby and the Oaks, were removed a few days ago when the stewards of the Jockey Club announced that both would be raced at Newmarket, the Derby on May 30 and the Oaks two days later. Efforts are also being made to obtain governmental consent to the staging of a few meetings in the northern part of the Island during the summer, with a fair prospect of favorable action.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

ENGLAND'S LARGEST STUD.

The biggest private establishment in the United Kingdom (if not in the world) devoted to the rearing and breeding of the British thoroughbred, is comprised in the Melton Studs, belonging to Mr. Mueker. At Thetford, Norfolk, there are about 11,500 (eleven thousand five hundred) acres of land, a large part of which is available in the form of paddocks. The auxiliary stud at Westerham, Kent, covers an area of 350 acres. There are at these Melton Studs over 300 boxes for stallions, brood mares, yearlings and foals, besides 15 large sheds, capable of holding over 100 animals. At the present moment the mares at the Melton Studs number 229. There are also 39 yearling fillies (the colts having been sold), and before many months have gone by it is expected that the population of the paddocks will be increased by the arrival of an additional large number of foals. Including the stallions, there are now over 270 thoroughbreds at the two stud farms, and by next June the total will be, in all probability, about 400.

This plain statement of facts will, no doubt, be deemed sufficient to make good the claim that the Melton Studs are easily the biggest in Great Britain and Ireland. That they have other claims to distinction will be allowed when it is understood that during the years of 1913 and 1914 the winners of nearly 300 races in various parts of the world were out of Melton Stud mares or by Melton Stud stallions. At the Hunter Show at Islington recently, four winners of King's Premiums were bred at the Melton Studs. They were Sysonby, Sea Flier, Irrawaddy and Persimmon's Pride.

In putting forward these facts and figures there is no desire to belittle the wonderful achievements of the Childwick Bury Stud. Mr. Joel is heartily to be congratulated on his phenomenal success as a breeder of thoroughbred racing stock, and he would, perhaps, be the first to acknowledge his indebtedness to the qualities of a mare bred at Westerham Hill. Reference is here made to Absurdity, Jest, Black Jester and King's Joker. Another daughter of Melton that contributed substantially to the reputation of the Childwick Bury Stud is Yours, the dam of Your Majesty and Our Lassie.—Dublin Sport.

[Hamburg Place, near Lexington, Kentucky, can show a record even more enviable than that of the great English establishment mentioned above.

Hamburg Place contains 2,240 acres, and, at present, has 235 broodmares. In 1915 alone the produce of the mares and stallions from this farm won 325 races and $294,827.

During the past seven years, the get of Hamburg Place stallions have won the almost unbelievable sum of $1,605,454.—Ed.]—Thoroughbred Record.

DURYEA YOUNGSTERS FOR AMERICA.

That a most excellent string of youngsters from the Haras du Gazon, the late Herman B. Duryea's famous breeding establishment in France, will race on American tracks this season is forecast by the entry list at Empire City, fifty-eight entries in all having been made for that meeting. The foreign-bred aristocrats, who have been quartered in England for some months, are expected to arrive in this country in the near future, the two-year-olds that are making the trip including the following:

Herodate II., ch c, by Uncle—Herodia.
Killadi, b c, by Irish Lad—Ascot Belle.
Muskross, br c, by Irish Lad—Stillwater.
Panoche, b c, by Irish Lad—St. Inez.
The Belgian, ch c, by Rabelais—Suffragette IV.
Tranby, b c, by Irish Lad—Frizette.
Biddleford, b f, by Irish Lad—Rabenstein.
Censure, b f, by Irish Lad—Census.
Farce, b f, by Rire aux Larmes—Armenia.
Gas Light, br f, by Irish Lad—Gasjet.
Inniskillen, b f, by Irish Lad—Zuna.
Medora, b f, by Rabelais—Mediant.
Mint Drop, b f, by Irish Lad—Mintberia.
Teetotal, b f, by Irish Lad—Teetotum II.
The Minx, b f, by Irish Lad—Artless
Wedding March, b f, by Irish Lad—Wedding Bells II.

President Coffroth of the Lower California Jockey Club was a visitor in the city this week and states that all will be in readiness for the reopening of the Tia Juana track next Saturday, with four times as many horses present as was the case when the meeting was interrupted.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

THE SPEED OF GAME BIRDS.

A youthful inquirer wants to know something of the ordinary speed of our different game birds when walked up before a hunter or flushed before a dog. While the real speed capacity of any of these birds has never been reliably determined, it is no difficult matter to approximate that of all of them. To the hunter, the smaller the bird the greater will he imagine its speed, for with the smaller the bird the greater is the fluster in getting away. The speed of a bird and the distance you are from the same, must come into your calculations when shooting for the bag, not that this is done by any sort of mental arithmetic or by comparative figures—it is simply an instinctive solution that comes alone with practice and study.

If a bird—and I care not what kind—is going at a 40-mile an hour clip, and it is 40 yards from where you are standing, to hold five or six feet ahead would be none too much. In fact, it would be found about the correct thing.

Let's see now, to make sure. Forty miles an hour means something like 60 feet a second. That is for the bird. A shot from a 12 or 16 gun, propelled by regulation load of Du Pont or Hercules powder, travels say something like 900 feet a second. That would mean that the bird would have traversed about five or six feet, and you, in order to kill the bird, would have to hold fom five to six feet ahead of the same, counting lateal swing of the gun, pressure and everything, all of which is little more than prescience.

Now for the flight of birds, under ordinary circumstances: Canvasback, from 75 to 140 miles an hour; redhead, from 75 to 100; mallard, from 40 to 60; widgeon, from 50 to 70; gadwall, same; teal, green wing, from 75 to 100 miles an hour; teal, blue wing, from 60 to 80; wild goose, 80 to 100; quail, from 40 to 50; upland plover, from 50 to 75; chicken, from 50 to 60; hawks, most any species, from 75 to 150, and jacksnipe, from 40 to 60.—Sandy Griswold.

FISHING GOOD IN NORTHWEST.

Fishing conditions on streams in Western Oregon are reported by the Southern Pacific Company as follows:

Grants Pass—Chinook salmon now being caught with spinner. Some from 25 to 30 pounds in weight. Steelheads are beginning to bite more freely as the Rogue River clears.

Cottage Grove—Best fishing is in Coast Fork, about 20 miles west, and Upper Row River, about 20 miles east of this place.

Marshfield—Weather last two weeks delightful. Coos River and Ten Mile Lakes are clear, trout biting fine. During past week trout have been taking the fly. In mountain streams in Coos county fish are now biting fine.

Eugene—some good catches of salmon trout have been made on the Coos Bay branch near Mapleton on Siuslaw River. Bait used was pickled chub.

Roseburg—Parties from here are still having success on the North Umpqua about two miles above Winchester; salmon trout, cut throats and an occasional steelhead.

Tillamook—Streams still high, but few good strings of fish have been caught with angleworms and salmon eggs for bait.

HUNT STARTED FOR "BLUE TIGER."

A quest for the "blue tiger," a beast which has been termed the "Flying Dutchman of zoology," because many scientists and explorers have seen it yet none has yet been caught, began last week when Roy Chapman Andrews and Mrs. Andrews sailed for the Orient on the liner Tenyo Maru from San Francisco.

Somewhere in Central Asia or Tibet they expect to capture a specimen of their elusive quarry and to make an exhaustive study of zoology for the American Museum of Natural History of New York, of which Andrews is assistant curator. Andrews will write a book on his adventures, which will be illustrated by color photographs taken by Mrs. Andrews, who has studied a new system of color photography in Germany and France.

From here Mr. and Mrs. Andrews will go to Yokohama, thence by rail to Pekin and to Fuchow, where Edmund Heller, formerly of Stanford University, will join them. Heller was with Theodore Roosevelt on his African big game hunt and has explored the remote provinces of China.

From Fuchow the party will journey up the Yangtse Kiany river to the border of Tibet, where Harry R. Caldwell, a famous hunter and explorer, will join them. Here a safari, or party of guides, porters and servants will be organized and a start made for Central Tibet—the home of the "blue tiger." The expedition expects to be out of civilization for about a year and was organized by the American Museum of Natural History.

EXPERIMENTING WITH TROUT.

An unusual experiment is being tried out by the San Francisco Fly Casting Club at its lodge near Union Mills, on the Truckee river. Instead of stocking the streams with trout fry as is the usual method, the plan of maintaining the fish until they have attained a length of ten inches is being tried. It has been found that of the thousands of fry that are turned loose a large proportion become the prey of larger fish. By keeping the fish until they are large enough to look after themselves, it is believed that a much larger percentage will reach maturity.

For the past nine months the club has been experimenting on 100,000 trout raised from fry furnished by the Fish and Game Commission. These trout have been reared and fed under the direction of an expert keeper and at the club's expense. By next November these fish will have attained a length of ten inches, and if it is planned to throw them in at various points along the course of the Aruckee.

It is said that the project of raising the trout in water conditions similar to those in which they must live until such time as they are able to take care of themselves has never before been attempted in California, and the result is being watched with much interest by all sportsmen.

The fry are first placed in rearing ponds where they remain for six months. They then are transferred to a section of the river which has been dammed off and is well protected. Here they are kept until of sufficient size to liberate.

By tagging the fish it is hoped to determine positively many interesting questions concerning their habits and trout fishermen believe they will gain many valuable pointers in this way.

GAME WARDEN IS FOILED.

"For Sale—Two white tailed deer—one pair of silver pheasants. Apply Henry Royce, Kapowsin, Wash.," read Game Warden Ira D. Light of Pierce county in the want ad. columns of a Seattle morning newspaper.

"Ah ha!" hissed the warden, between his moustaches, "some one is trying to dispose of game outside the county, so we will not suspect him. I must see about that."

Disguising himself as a county official, Warden Light speeded up to Kapowsin and called upon Royce. The unsuspecting advertiser did not penetrate the disguise and proudly exhibited the deer and pheasants. He confessed openly that he had advertised them and they were for sale.

"Ah ha," said Light, throwing aside his disguise and appearing in his true character, "it becomes me painful duty to arrest you for the violation of the game laws of ——."

"Not me," said Royce, who is a well-to-do lumberman, "these deer and pheasants are not game. They are domestic animals, born and bred on my place. Raised on the bottle, the deer were."

"Foiled!" hissed Light, as he sped for the county jitney, "baffled but not beaten,' 'and he whizzed down the mountain side for home.

CATCHES "SOME" FISH—400 POUNDS.

Redding, March 30.—A 400-pound fish was caught in the Sacramento river yesterday by Eugene Barion, the "musical fisherman." Barion is called the "musical fisherman" because his 200-foot trot line which is stretched across the Sacramento at Middle creek is equipped with a chime of twelve Swiss bells—one for each line dangling from the main line with spoon attached.

Barion's catch yesterday was a sturgeon—a big fish that measured seven feet without the head. When the sturgeon grabbed the hook every one of the twelve bells rang a clatter that awakened him from his afternoon nap in his cabin ashore.

The "musical fisherman" was unable to land his big catch alone. He had to call in the assistance of two neighbors to land the fish.

Barion's catch netted him $63.

WEAKNESS IN GAME PRESERVATION LAWS.

According to John J. Barnett, deputy Fish and Game Commissioner of Ventura county, the principal weakness in the average game preservation law lies in the fact that while fishermen and hunters who violate them are brought to task, little or nothing is done in a systematic way to kill off the depredating creatures which prey on the fish, birds and animals it is hoped to conserve.

While pot hunters and fishermen are responsible for considerable killing of game out of season, the so-called "vermin" are at work all the time and do an incalculable amount of damage. Barnett proposes to inaugurate a war on these pests and will start the ball rolling with a mountain lion hunt in which men and dogs will take part. He figures that affairs of this kind can be successfully staged by reason of the fact that it provides keen and exciting sport to the participants. The hunt will be held on a number of the larger ranches of the county where these mountain lions have been quite destructive.

By the same token, the Oregon State Game Warden has been petitioned by the Newport Rod and Gun Club asking that an open season be declared on shags until July 1. These birds are said to subsist almost entirely on small fish and they are responsible annually for the destruction of thousands of salmon trout and other food fish. Hundreds of them are reported feeding on the fish at Yaquina, Alsea and Siletz bay and other waters. Permission already has been granted to sportsmen in Coos county to kill these shags, which is a species or cormorant and voracious feeder.

BOOK ON PHEASANT BREEDING.

Editor, Breeder and Sportsman:—

There has been mailed you this day, under separate cover, a 150-page illustrated book, entitled "American Pheasant Breeding and Shooting," which is believed to be the first fully detailed, sequential book on the breeding of any species o fgame ever published on the English language. This is the first of a series of efforts on the part of the Department of Game Breeding and Preserving of the American Game Protective Association to furnish the sportsmen of this country with a real literature on game breeding—something with which the man who has never bred game and has never seen it bred can achieve results.

It is believed that this book and those that will follow it will be of immeasurable benefit in increasing the supply of wild life that is so necessary if we are to have any real sport in this country.

This Association believes that we can get more game in the United States principally through two things:

First, by spreading a knowledge of game breeding. It is believed that this book and the articles, detailed and authoritative, on the subject of breeding mallards and bobwhite quail in captivity, which have appeared respectively in the February and October numbers of the Bulletin of this Association, will be very valuable in achieving this end.

A second measure that it is thought will be most helpful in getting a larger game supply is through the setting aside of preserves or sanctuaries for wild life where it can breed undisturbed by man at all times, the overflow from which will furnish a continuing supply of birds for sportsmen.

We shall appreciate any notice that you may see fit to give this book in your columns.

We are sending you also, under separate cover, the February Bulletin of this Association, in which you will find on page 1, outside column, an article which gives a pretty clear review of the pheasant book. From this and the introduction to the book itself, we think you will be able to get the data necesssary in the event that you care to give this book any notice.

Very truly yours,

G. M. TAYLOR, Secretary,

American Game Protection and Propagation Ass'n.

FOXES FOUND EVERYWHERE.

In answer to an inquiry, let me say that the fox is an animal closely related to the dog. It is a native of almost every part of the globe and is everywhere known as the most wily of beasts of prey. It has a straight, bushy tail, erect ears, and is extremely alert and avaricious, devouring birds and small quadrupeds, fruits, honey and eggs.

The stories told of the animal's intelligence in eluding its enemies, in protecting its young and in getting its food are often too wonderful to be easily believed.

The fox's home is a dry burrow or hole in the rock, and usually consists of an outer hole or room, where the fox lies; a store-room, where he keeps his food, and, behind all, his sleeping room and the place where his family lives.

When the fox is captured he will sometimes feign death and will endure the roughest treatment without flinching. The fox will dodge, double on his track, try to conceal his scent and use many other ingenious tricks to deceive his pursuers.

Besides the common fox of Europe and Asia, there are the blue fox of the Aleutian and other Arctic islands, notable for its beautiful bluish fur, one of the most valuable furs in the market.

The black fox, a native of the northern parts of Asia and America, similar to the common fox, but distinguishable by its rich, shiny, black fur.

The gray fox or silver gray fox, characterized by the thick tail, at the tip of which is a tuft of stiff hairs. This fox can be made very tame and will play with dogs. In winter their fur becomes asilvery gray, and they are common through the northern parts of America.

The red fox of America, generally of a pale yellow color, especially in the Arctic regions.

The cross fox, whose fur is gray on the upper parts and black beneath and on the muzzle, with a dark cross over the shoulders.

And the swift fox, an inhabitant of the Western American plains.—Captain Bugs.

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Charles T. Rankin, of Kansas City, Mo., has won eight trapshooting tournaments in succession in Missouri and in the eight he has broken 448 out of 500 targets.

Sportsmen's Row

Easterners are boasting of some kid shooters who have passed the sixty mark and are improving with age. They have nothing on a couple of boys around San Francisco. "Pop" Best is credited with being over seventy and yet he turned out at the Golden Gate shoot and busted 19 out of 20 in the club event. "Pop" Adams is 62 and he cracked 19 out of 20. With a little more experience these youngsters will develop into pretty fair blue rock busters.

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Carl Westerfeld, commissioner in charge of the San Francisco division of the Fish and Game Commission, is now the owner of a gun that any champion would be proud of. Look out, you boys in the first class.

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T. W. Parsons is some prize-getter. He has already secured fourteen and is still going.

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The Golden Gate is thinking of erecting an extra trap for non-members. It is the club's intention to make every one welcome and give all the shooting they wish with as little delay as possible.

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The Merchandise shoot of the Golden Gate Club on Sunday, April 23rd, promises to be a banner affair. Seventy prizes are already up and they will be distributed via the grab bag system. This assures a prize or more to every one who participates.

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Oregon City, Or., April 5.—Rev. J. K. Hawkins, of the First Methodist Church, is a fisherman for both fish and men. Just at present the local pastor is eagerly awaiting the time when the high waters of the Willamette will recede and the river below the Falls will become the paradise of the salmon troller.

Rev. Mr. Hawkins, who has been stationed at Medford and Rosebuirk, has fished in the Rogue and the North Umpqua rivers for salmon, as well as other streams in all parts of the state, and is a lover of the sport. He has secured a boat and a large quantity of tackle and other equipment ready for the first day the river gets back to its ordinary stage.

Salmon trolling in the Willamette river will probably surpass the sport offered in past years because of the Gill act, which greatly regulates net fishing here. Under its stringent provisions, the commercial net fishermen, who spoil the fishing for the sportsman,must not cast their nets between the suspension bridge and the falls, in this way reserving the best portion of the river to the man with hook and line.

The river will probably be low enough to allow fishing within the next week or ten days.

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The ban on fishing in Marion county (Oregon) streams in effect since December 10th, last, by order of the State Board of Fish and Game Commissioners, ended April 1st, and fishermen of that section are preparing to raid the streams for their initial catches of the year. Angling was prohibited by the Board because of the rapid depletion of the trout and other fish which stocked these streams. The streams affected by the Board's order were Butte, Abiqua and Silver creeks and their tributaries.

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Fifteen hundred crabs swarming about the hold of his launch was the one-day haul of Artie Hall, an Ilwaco, Wash., fisherman. The wholesale price on the dock for the catch was $105. Other fishermen made similar catches and a full freight car was sent on its way to Portland and San Francisco, the value of the consignment being between $400 and $500.

Favorable weather after a long period of storm is given as the reason for the unusually large catches. Glutting of markets is feared if the big hauls continue.

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A true story comes from Hudson, Illinois, from A. N. Starkey, living on a farm northwest of that village. He owns a collie and a rat terrier. The latter disappeared and after being searched for was given up for dead. The collie however acted very strangely. Immediately after being given food he disappeared and did not return until the next meal-time. Members of the family decided to follow him. They did so, and a half mile from the house the poor little rat terrier was found, caught in a trap which had been set for mink. The collie had been carrying food in his mouth to his little friend for over a week, and was overjoyed to think help had come to the rat terrier. The latter was very soon released and tenderly cared home to be given proper care. The devotion of the collie was much remarked in that neighborhood.

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The fish and game commission's ocean patrol has been making life interesting for some of the illicit commercial fishermen of late. The arrests of Japanese at Catalina late last week were timely. Considerable complaint is heard about illicit fishing from time to time, and the arrests will have a wholesome effect, it being manifestly impossible for the slow boats that can be rented to cope with the faster craft used by such of the fishermen as are evading the law. But all these things will be changed when the patrolboat comes to her work, although this does not seem likely to develop until summer, owing to delays that cannot be avoided.

June is the big month for the trapshooters. There are 116 tournaments registered that month, 73 were registered in that month last year. There are 61 registered shoots in July, 44 in August, 26 in September, 15 in October and one in November. April has 31 and May 112. This unprecedented registration is an assurance of the greatest trapshooting year in the annals of the sport.

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A number of changes have been made in the dates announced of the registered shoots. The Lincoln (Neb.) Gun Club tourney has been moved from April 5 to April 12; the Central Pennsylvania Trapshooters' League tourney at Phillipsburg from April 20 to August 17, and the tournament of the Hill City Gun Club, Vicksburg, Miss., advanced from May 16-17 to April 1819, and that of the Central Pennsylvania Trapshooters' League at Altoona from June 16 ot April 20.

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The eleventh Pacific Coast Trapshooting Tournament will be held at Portland, Ore., on September 12, 13 and 14, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club. There will be $1,000 added money and the winner of first place in the Pacific Coast Handicap will be guaranteed $100 and a trophy; the winner of second place will be guaranteed $75 and a trophy, and the winner of third place will be guaranteed $50 and a trophy. Several other trophies will also be awarded.

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An effort is being made to have the secretaries of the trapshooting clubs throughout the country attend the Grand American Handicap in St. Louis and get pointers on the handling of large tournaments.

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Jim Thorpe, the Indian athlete, who is on the payroll of the New York National League baseball team, tried his hand at trapshooting in a recent tournament of the Capitol City Club of Oklahoma City, and broke 74 of the 100 targets thrown.

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More than forty states will stage amateur championship shoots to determine the eligibility of trapshooters to engage in the fight for the national amateur title in August.

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One of the biggest jelly fish ever brought ashore at Santa Monica was found about two miles at sea by Thomas Valenzuela, a fisherman of that place. It is about two feet in diameter. When scooped into a hand net by Valenzuela the fish was floating about on the surface. Valenzuela was stung by one of the creature's "feelers" as it was being unloaded into the boat, but the injury was not serious.

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The body of Fred Morris, fisherman and trapper, living in an ark at Bouldin Island, was found in the river about a mile west of Black slough landing by Captain Goldstein of the Island Transportation tug Islander. Deputy Coroner Chester Conklin went after the body, which appeared to have been in the water about a week.

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Los Angeles Club.—More than one hundred and twenty-five shooters took part in the opening of the Los Angeles Gun Club at its new grounds back of Eastlake Park, Sunday. Over two hundred were fed at the big free barbecue, prepared by the famous Spanish chef Joe Romero, and it was nearly 5 o'clock before the last squad had left the firing line.

S. R. Smith won the first diamond scarf pin with a "break" of 49x50, and Owen Council was second with 48x50. C. Vories and George Middleton, each with 47x50, tied for the third, and Vories won the shootoff with 22x25 to 21x25 for Middleton. Five shooters tied for the fourth place pin, each with a break of 46. These were Henry Pfirrmann, C. L. Nickle, F. H. Nichols, O. Evans and W. Dougherty. In the shootoff Pfirrmann won with 25 straight. C. L. Nickle had 24, as did Evans, and Dougherty 21. F. H. Nichols broke but 20. The fifth prize also brought about a three-cornered tie between C. F. Dodds, C. F. Nichols and C. D. Griffith, each with 45. Nichols won with a break of 25 straight.

Pfirrmann had individual honors for the day, for after getting off to a bad start two 23s he proceeded to break 108 birds straight in regular competition, including the shoot-off for the diamond prize. The "break" was unfinished.

Scores in events 2 and 1 follow. Event 2 of 50 targets, shot at from 16 to 22 yards for which five diamond scarf pins are offered each Sunday. Event 1 of 50 targets, shot at 16 yards, open to all amateurs. Event 2 was shot first and event 1 second. Scores:

S. R. Smith, 97x100, H. Pfirrmann 96, Owen Council 94, C. L. Nickle 93, Wm. Dougherty 93, C. F. Blackstock 91, F. H. Nichols 91, G. Middleton 90, O. Evans 90, Ed Mitchell 90, E. S. Allen 89, R. B. Witman 88, E. E. Ekdale 88, G. Melford 88, J. F. Dodds 87, F. H. Mellus 87, Jack Milligan 86, S. Fullerton 86, J. P. Haese 85, O. Pachmayr 85, P. O. Long 83, T. M. Arnell 81, W. B. Harvey 81, Rossbach 79, B. Brady 78, D. E. Llewellyn 73, Mrs. H. Pfirrmann 73, C. H. Betz 72, V. Hodges 70, C. W. Fish 66, H. J. McCaffery 60, Neel Nickle 49, F. J. Adams 41.

C. E. Groat, 44x50, C. D. Hagerman 37, R. H. Bungay 43, Joe Singer 35, F. B. Winter 26, R. H. F. Variel 32, W. Brauer 33, H. Beckwith 23, G. Persinger 35, A. Pachmayr 40, R. L. McCourt 35, F. W. Thatcher 28, H. W. Harrison 35, F. E. Andreas 32, Dr. Tabor 40, H. Adams 43, H. Hoyt 41, C. Vorhies 47, R. Arnold 44, L. R. Mellus 44, L. H. Brown 31, A. D. Switzer 36, A. L. Rowe 39, C. D. Griffiths 45, W. L. Cooper 40, W. Harrington 39, J. Matfield 34, R. C. Nissen 41, R. Chenoweth 31, W. Koerner 37, F. E. Gregory 30, C. Monaghan 41, F. A. C. Drew 40, Edward Drew 36, P. H. Stortz 28, C. F. Nichols 45, W. K. McCarthy 24, T. D. Robinson 15, C. W. Fish (20 gauge) 42, J. Seamans 34, A. G. Allen 39, Victor Moore 35, F. Schriner 41, A. W. Stowel 19, F. Young 40, G. T. Cline 37, W. Kays 33, J. W. Wenzell 44, M. Barber 42, C. Julian 38, H. Poston 47, H. Poston 49, J. G. Heath 43, C. W. Clement 31, F. Young 40, Mrs. Pachmayr 27, Dr. Packard 47, A. D. Switzer 35, A. L. Rowe 40, M. Barber 42, S. Waldridge 33, C. Vorhies 47, R. Arnold 48.

H. Nelson, 17x25, H. Beckwith 15, Capt Hensley 15, G. Persinger 22, L. R. Mellus 23, W. Koerner 13, Roy Wages 8, B. Lowenstrout 12, Roy Rouse 4.

Practice breaks of 25 straight: Ed Mitchell, F. H. Mellus, H. Pfirrmann, and 24x25 as follows: P. O. Lang, J. F. Todd, R. A. Arnold and R. W. Wilman.

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Big Time Club.—The Big Time Gun Club held the first shoot of the season Sunday at the Schenk ranch in Fruit Ridge, and it was pronounced by all who attended one of the most successful events of the kind ever attempted in that section. The attendance was far greater than had been anticipated, with the result that the committee handling the arrangements for the noonday meal was confronted with the task of hurriedly securing further supplies in order that the visitors might not leave the grounds hungry. This was remedied in short order, after it was evident that there would not be sufficient eatables on hand, and everything passed off without a hitch. Preparations had been made for about 150 people, but there were over 250 on hand when noon arrived.

Eighty-six shotgun artists tried their luck at breaking the clay pigeons and some fine scores were made. The shooting continued until it was too dark to see and so many participated that the records could not be figured up. The secretary has accordingly been late in turning in the scores, which accounts for their not appearing in this issue of the Breeder and Sportsman.

Extensive preparations had been made for the event and promptly at 9 o'clock in the morning an automobile parade started through the principal streets of the city on the way to the grounds.

Delegations from many of the nearby towns were in attendance and tried their luck at breaking birds which were thrown from the new traps recently installed on the grounds.

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Vernon Club.—"Pop" Bruner, founder of the Vernon Gun Club, was on the grounds Sunday to welcome the Vernonites who competed in the huge merchandise shoot after being absent on a business trip for two months. It was a fairly large crowd which fronted Pop and some 5,000 targets were sent spinning to their silent deaths before decisions on the raiment, glassware and hardware could be reached.

An order calling for a suit of clothes was up as the first prize and was won by Dr. L. M. Packard with a score of ninety-four dead birds out of the century.

Conditions on the contest called for compeitors to fire from sixteen yards and added birds would be given as handicaps. Class shooting and not high gun won.

The second prize, a cut glass water pitcher and six glasses put up by George Oliver of the Hercules Powder Company was taken after Dierdoff and Chas. E. Moist had tied with ninety-three apiece, by Moist when he defeated Dierdoff in the shoot-off at 25 birds.

Mrs. Groat and Palmer tied with 93 for the third prize, a shell case, and shot off for it at 25 targets. Mrs. Groat carried away the honors and the case.

Stan Bruner and Wilshire tied for the Vernon Club set of spoons, also with the 93 count. Bruner annexed the silverware in the shoot-off.

Pete Peterson and Cornelius tied up for the trout rod. Guess what they had—93 again. Peterson won the shoot-off and fish-getter.

The last prize up, a shooting jacket, was won by Greenfield, who was all alone with his 93.

Manderville won the 100 targets and shells for bringing to the club the most new shooters.

Hugh Poston, Charlie Julian and Mr. Barber breezed into the club before noon and broke up the clays in general. The contest was disfavored with a strong wind. The scores follow:

Merchandise Shoot—

Shooter—	Hdcp.	Bke.	Targ.
Heath	Pro.	74	100
H. E. Posten	Pro.	93	100
Cornelius	7	93	100
S. A. Bruner	2	93	100
Carlie Julian	25	84	100
Barber	20	88	100
Grewell	11	89	100
Dierdoff	12	93	100
Fitzgerald	10	89	100
Wilshire	13	93	100
L. D. Forest	7	92	100
Oliver	Pro.	70	100
Pete Peterson	15	93	100
Palmer	20	93	100
Famechon	12	88	100
Parago	..	56	100
Braur	..	18	100
C. T. Greenfield	19	93	100
McHarg	24	92	100
C. E. Groat	20	90	100
Mrs. C. E. Groat	20	90	100
Rollinson	20	89	100
Manderville	24	91	100
Van Nest	..	64	100
Clement	Pro.	79	100
Pugh	10	90	100
A. W. Bruner	Pro.	87	100
Charles White	12	87	100
Norton	24	88	100
Dr. L. M. Packard	3	94	100
Yocum	31	89	100

Practice Contest—

Heath 45x50, Poston 44, Cornelius 46, S. A. Bruner 46, C. Julien 43, Barber 28, Gerewell 46, Dierdoff 35, Fitzgerald 44, Wilshire 31, Moist 35, Oliver 44, Peterson 36, Palmer 34, Famechon 42, Parago 19, Brauer 13.

Forest 22x25, C. T. Greenfield 14, C. E. Groat 19, Mrs. Groat 25, Manderville 20, Van Nest 15, Bill Pugh 20, Bob Bole 20, A. W. Bruner 19, C. White 17, Norton 18, crawford 20.

Program for State shoot at San Jose

PORTLAND TRIES OUT TRAP-SHOOTING AT NIGHT WITH SUCCESS

San Jose, Cal.—O. N. Ford, secretary and manager of the San Jose Blue Rock Club, has received the outline of the program of the California and Nevada state shoot, which is to be held in San Jose on May 28, 29, 30, 31. As things look now it will be a banner shoot. On May 28, in the forenoon, 100 targets will be shot in practice. For the afternoon the two O. N. Ford championships of California and Nevada at 50 singles and at 25 pair of doubles will be shot.

On May 29 there will be ten events at 20 targets each. Thirty dollars in cash will be added to each event.

On Tuesday, May 30, the schedule calls for eight events at 25 targets each with $35 added to each event. On this day six championship trophies will be shot for, among them being the Sorrenson diamond medal valued at $400.

May 31 in the morning there will be five events at 20 targets, $30 added to each; in the afternoon the California and Nevada state championship, 100 targets, $100 added, with seven Interstate trophies to the seven high guns. The winner will also receive $50 to go to St. Louis to attend the national shoot in August.

Never, it is said, has there been a shoot held in California with this amount of money involved, and figuring on 125 shooters in the four days, it will mean that fully $10,000 will change hands. Mr. Ford will order one carload of blue rock targets and to shoot them up takes $3,000 worth of ammunition.

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Oakland Elks Club.—Another blue rock club made its debut around the bay last Sunday when the Oakland Elks held a successful shoot on the Golden Gate grounds in Alameda. Thirty-three gunners faced the traps and enjoyed bright, sunshiny weather to have a lot of fun. The majority of the new club members were new at the game and their scores accordingly were very creditable.

The Oakland Elks want to get their eyes sharpened up so as to give their Alameda brothers a race in the near future. Judging from the manner in which the recruits busted the blue rocks they will hold up their end nicely.

In the shoot Sunday Barney Worthen, an experienced man with the tarhawks, was high amateur with 47x50. F. Carter, Bill Price, Vosburg, Avery and Hamlin also did well. Dick Reed led the way for the professionals with 49 out of 50 and Hawshurst and Willet were close behind. The scores were:—

Shooter.	20	20	10	Ttl
Worthen	18	19	10	—47
Stonebarger	14	16	7	—37
Hawxhurs*	20	19	9	—47
Reed*	20	20	9	—49
Willet*	19	19	9	—47
Rickelfson*	15	13	10	—38
Avery	13	18	9	—40
Vosburg	16	17	6	—39
Price	17	18	5	—40
Lockhardt	13	14	4	—31
Spanu	10	12	6	—28
Adams	9	11	9	—29
Hynes	7	8	9	—24
Durney	13	11	5	—29
Hamlin	15	14	10	—39
Goodman	11	11	7	—29
A. Korn	3	4	4	—11
F. Carter	20	16	6	—42
Ballard	12	9	7	—28
Merrill	8	11	7	—26
Deldman	7	9	6	—22
Studley	7	5	7	—19
Ray	12	12	6	—30
Meineke	13	16	9	—38
Schreiber	13	14	6	—33
Fuller	14	13	4	—31
Dr. Hein	8	14	5	—27
O. N. Jones*	13	14	8	—35
Jordan	11	13	7	—31
Miller	17	14	7	—38
E. G. Williams	10	15	6	—31
Mathews	9	11	8	—28
Martine	16	7	8	—31

*Professionals.

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Alameda Elks Club.—The Alameda Elks will hold their second shoot in Alameda tomorrow. The boys had such a good time on the opening last month that they will be back at the traps in force. They realize that they will have to keep right on edge to hold the Oaklanders in check.

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Seattle Association.—A bunch of the old-timers, and not a small crowd of new shooters, turned out in the rain on March 26 at the regular program shoot of the Seattle Trapshooters' Association on their Harbor Island grounds.

Repeating his performance of the previous Sunday, Hugh Fleming was the high score, breaking 48 out of his fifty targets. Mat Grossman and Tom Wilkes ran Fleming a close race, they dividing second honors, with scores of 47. L. H. Reid, professional, scored 48.

A. W. McKenzie, factory representative for the Velie autos and trucks, was on the grounds for the first time this year, this being the first time he had shot for over eighteen years. His score was exceptional for a new shooter.

G. M. Valentine showed his steady improvement and at the rate he is going will soon be among the high scores. J. V. Hough came out strong in his total score average, making 90 per cent. C. R. Sydman, formerly of Snohomish but now living in Seattle, was on the grounds for the first time this season. J. R. ("Dok") Hager showed up with a gun that was too long for his arm. When it comes down to real shooting, "Dok" is there.

Several of the members shot the second part of the Everding trophy handicap. Scores:

Fifty targets—M. Grossman 47, *L. H. Reid 48, F. Williams 36, J. H. Hopkins 44, R. Kinzer 39, W. B. Taft 44, Deskin Reid 39, M. McManee 40, Hugh Fleming 48, W. F. Zwick 29, C. R. Sydman 42, J. V. Hough 44, C. W. Bandy 38, G. M. Valentine 41, C. E. McKelvey 44, Tom Wilkes 47, A. W. McKenzie 32, J. R. Hager 13, Van M. Woodaman 32, R. S. Searle 45.

*Professional.

One hundred targets—R. Kinzer 81, W. B. Taft 87, M. McManee 81, Hugh Fleming 90, W. F. Zwick 64, J. V. Hough 90, G. M. Valentine 83, C. E. McKelvey 89, Tom Wilkes 91.

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Golden Gate Club.—One week from tomorrow, Sunday, April 16th, the Golden Gate Club will hold its monthly shoot. They are making plans to entertain over fifty powder-burners. In order to keep their hand and eye in a number got in some practice last Saturday with the following results:—

FIFTY BIRDS—Stelling 40, Parsons 37, Swales 46, Craig 34, T. Prior 44, E. T. Prior 31, Miss Meyers 33, Wallace 36, Cullen 34, Webster 42, Dirks 25, Terry 44, Reon 29, Adams 38, Chambers 22, Bridgeforte 38, Sunkel 25.

75 BIRDS—Blub 59, Price 54, Martine 44, Merriman 26, Kierrilff 33, Garrett 69, Boyd 54, Middleton 26, Reed 69, Durney 35.

100 BIRDS—Dorsey 79, Howard 78, Stressler 78, Jones 65, Topham 75, Orr 88, Gaskel 42, Jordan 66, Swenson 73, Hawxhurst 96, Westerfeld 67, Lockhardt 78, Wade 44.

125 BIRDS—Landry 109, Brickell 101, Carman 84, Haight 108, Avery 110.

150 BIRDS—Coleman 90, Dimond 120, Brickell 115, McGettigan 118, Landry 125, Mrs. A. G. Wilkes 115, Wilkes 134, French 111, Rudolph 92, Hayden 92.

200 BIRDS—Stahl 169, Dorsey 164, Sanborn 136.

San Jose Club.—Gunners from outside points invaded San Jose Sunday and insisted upon having a practice shoot over the traps which will be used in the California-Nevada tournament next month. H. Lorenson came over from Newman with a new shooting iron and expressed considerable satisfaction with the new armament when he busted 95 out of 100 clays. Toney Prior of San Francisco wrecked 92 and George H. Anderson executed 90.

Miss Geneva Meyers of San Francisco was present and shooting in splendid form. For a time she had some of the topnotchers rather worried and she finished with the very good score of 83. With the exception of Mrs Ada Schilling, no other woman shooter has equaled this mark over the San Jose traps.

Toney Prior made high score in the doubles, hitting 22 out of 24. W. J. McKagney was second with 21.

George Anderson broke 74 straight, the second longest run made at the local club this year. He went 55 without a miss March 26.

O. N. Ford was slightly indisposed and did not shoot—the first shoot he has missed since coming to San Jose.

W. J. McKagney has won an A. A. T. medal.

The San Jose Blue Rock Club will shoot at home on April 9th and on the 16th they will go to San Francisco to compete in the Golden Gate Club shoot. The score:

H. Lorenson, Newman, 95; Toney Prior, San Francisco, 92; George H. Anderson, San Jose, 90; L. Baumgartner, San Jose, 89; C. R. Arques, San Jose, 87; William J. McKagney, San Jose, 87; Dr. Heidleburg, San Jose, 87; Miss G. Meyers, San Francisco, 83; Leo Thornton, San Jose, 77; Prior Jr., San Francisco, 75.

Doubles—Toney Prior, 22 out of 24; William J. McKagney, 21; H. Lorenson, 20; Louie Baumgartner, 20; Dr. Heidleburg, 18; George Anderson, 17; C. R. Arques, 17; George Brown, 15; S. Bell, 14.

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A. B. Jordan, secretary of the Oakland Elks' Blue Rock Club, was busy as a bee Sunday running off the shoot. He is a new hand at the game but is a worker. Everything ran off nicely and Jordan promises big doings the next time the Oaklanders get out to the traps.

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Portland Club.—Trapshooting at night was inaugurated at the Everding Park raps of the Portland Gun Club last week. Superintendent Ed Mathews has been experimenting with various lights for the past year so that trapshooting might be enjoyed in the evening as well as in the day time.

Four big 100 candle power electric lights are stationed in front of the trap house. The degree to which the equipment has been perfected may be judged from the fact that Frank Templeton broke 92 out of 100 targets last Thursday night when the first tryout was made. Two other shooters broke over 90 per cent in the initial tryouts. The shoot started at 8:30 o'clock.

Night shooting should become very popular. Portland is the first city in the west to inaugurate the plan. Several large eastern gun clubs have facilities for night shooting.

Owing to adverse weather conditions on March 26, there were not enough women present to hold the telegraphic match with Spokane and the match was defaulted. The two prizes which were offered for the two high guns in the women's squad were not contested for as there was not a full squad present.

Spokane won the telegraphic shoot with the men's team of the local club by the score of 116 to 109. The scores were, Spokane—Chingren 24, McElroy 23, Gregory 23, Miles 23, Hayes 23, total, 116. Portland—F. Templeton 23, J. W. Seavey 22, E. H. Keller 22, A. Parrott 22, and W. E. Carlton 22; total, 109.

J. W. Seavey was high man in the high bird event among the amateurs, with H. E. Dickerman of Chicago second. Pete Holohan topped the professionals and Jim Bull was second. Mrs. Ada Schilling broke 90 per cent.

E. G. Hawman, president of the Woodburn Gun Club, and C. E. Fellers, were among the out of town visitors.

The scores of the 100-bird event:

F. Templeton 88, H. A. Pollock 82, W. E. Carlton 84, W. G. Bristol (20 gauge) 54, *E. B. Morris 82, J. C. Morris 74, A. G. Hawman 83, C. E. Feller 86, J. Reid* 84, Miss Gladys Reid 60, H. A. Dickerman 90, Mrs. A. Schilling 90, C. J. Schilling* 88, A. L. Zachrisson 58, P. J. Holohan* 94, A. W. Strowger 72, A. W. Strowger Jr. (28 gauge) 16x20, J. P. Bull* 92, E. H. Keller 88, A. Parrott 88, J. W. Seavey 92, Dr. O. D. Thornton 84, A. Moelm 73, O. Manary 68, L. E. Creswell 76. *Professional.

Twenty-one blue rock enthusiasts participated in the first night trap shoot. Judging from the enthusiasm night shooting will become very popular.

Regulation 50-yard, 16-yard rise, targets were thrown and the shooters experienced no difficulty in hitting the "mud saucers." Superintendent Mathews installed the big lights on the top of the clubhouse, but the light was not as good as it was when the arcs were in the trap house. Before the next shoot the lights will be transferred to the trap house.

Al Seguin topped the shooters, breaking 92 per cent. W. C. ("Bill") Bristol was out with his trusty 20-gauge. After knocking 62 per cent of his targets to pieces he was challenged a couple of times for match races and he accepted both of them. The percentages:

Roy Wilson 80, F. Templeton 80, H. A. Pollock 74, A. Eeguin 92, A. Woelen 50, J. G. Clemson 60, A. L. Zachrisson 52, James Marris 70, J. S. Crane 50, W. B. Honeyman 82, W. C. Busbe 62, E. F. Platt 68, H. L. Corbett 64, W. E. Carlon 80, H. F. Corbett 64, E. R. Goodwin 68, E. H. Keller 76, George Bertz 44, A. W. Strowger 64, Critchlow 60, O. D. Thornton 60.

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Lewiston, Idaho.—The practice shoot at the Lewiston Gun Club traps attracted a large attendance March 26th and some good scores were made. In the shoot for the Everding trophy several changes were made in the standings. Larson now leads with 92 targets out of a possible 100. Wallace and Johnson are tied with 91 each, and Hill and Hahn are tied with 89 each. Larson was high man in the practice shoot, with 45 out of 50.

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Yallace, (Idaho) Club.—High scores were the rule at the weekly shoot of the local gun club at the Nine Mile traps on March 26th. Thirteen members participated. Scott was in good form and finished with 47 out of 50. Werkheiser and St. Jean tied for second place with 45 each. Gibbs and Venable tied for third place with 43 each. The club goat went to Gibbs on a miss and out contest between Gibbs, Venable and Martin. The remaining scores in the regular 50-bird event were: Lieb 35, McConkey 40, Howarth 39, Ebbley 34, Heitfeld 31, Martin 39, White 39, Walker 40.

COMING REGISTERED TOURNAMENTS.

California.

Los Angeles, May 8, 9.—Vernon Gun Club, William Pugh, Manager.

San Jose, May 28, 29, 30—California-Nevada Association Tournament, San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

Eureka, July 4—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President.

Fresno, April 29—Fresno Blue Rock Club, C. B. Jackson, Secretary.

Oregon.

Portland, June 5, 6, 7—Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, Frank Templeton, Secretary.

Portland, Sept. 12, 13, 14—Pacific Coast Handicap.

Washington.

Chehalis, May 30—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, Gus T. Thacker, President.

Seattle, July 4—"Old Policy," Green Lake Gun Club, W. C. Smith, Secretary

Tacoma, July 18, 19, 20, 21—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary.

FLY-FISHING ON BEAR LAKES.

There will be much more fly-fishing done on the Bear lakes this summer in an effort to stir up interest on the part of the big fellows in surface feeding. On Little Bear the prospect is best. Such good sport can be had by "spooning" with the big chaps on the upper lake that one can get along very passably with them in spite of their disinclination to come up to the top and take a sporting chance until hooked. Then they incoke the air freely enough; as one chap of ocean experience said, they act like decent fish until hooked, and then they seem to think they are flying-fish!

Sea fishing is looking up. There was a big school of mackerel cruising about the other day along the west coast. Sana Monica and Redondo anglers had considerable fun with them. In days gone by Redondo was the messa of the mackerel anglers—the long cane-pole fraternity of other days. But the best sport with mackerel always was from a boat in the quiet of early morning, when they will take a red and white fly like a Parmachenee belle as freely as any trout. And don't think they aren't game, or that the sea doesn't breed gamey fish. No fish of equal weight can outfight a mackerel; they are built for speed and endurance and if "courage" is the proper term to apply to the mentality of a fish, they have that, too. At least a big mackerel never quits until he dies.

JUDGE OF KENNEL SHOW TO COME.

Walter H. Reeves, of London, who will judge all breeds at the Golden Gate Kennel Club April 27, 28 and 29 will arrive in San Francisco next week. Reeves has the distinction of being the highest salaried dog expert in the world. In the neighborhood of two hundred and fifty dogs of many breeds have been entered by their owners since O. F. Vedder, the superintendent of the show, opened his offices at 528 Market street last Saturday. Jack Bradshaw, the local dog expert, left for New York last week to accompany a string of dogs that he bought in England several weeks ago to his kennels here. Bradshaw will show several of his newly acquired dogs along with Country Model, California's champion bulldog.

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Mrs. Anita M. Baldwin, daughter of the late E. J. "Lucky" Baldwin, will show her entire kennel of Airedale terriers, Russian wolfhounds and bulldogs. Failsworth Knight, a $2,000 bulldog, will be among the dogs entered.

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Mrs. Norwood B. Smith, owner of Cragwood St. Bernard kennels in Palo Alto, is importing a pair of St. Bernards from England.

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G. Kellogg Claxton will show his imported West Highland white terriers at the Golden Gate show.

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It is rumored that George W. Quintard, of Bayside, L .I., will send his famous team of wire-haired fox terriers, Matford Vic and Wireboy of Paington, here to compete with the local dogs at the Golden Gate show April 27, 28 and 29.

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Champion Amen Gem, the greatest Airedale terrier bitch ever bred who was bought in a London dog pound, for about four dollars, will be one of the many Airedales at the coming show. She is the property of the Vickery kennels, of Chicago.

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Failsworth White Knight, a bulldog owned by Anita Baldwin, of California, won the ribbon for best dog any breed at the Seattle show last week. H. B. Hungerford of New York judged.

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Thomas Harrison, an English dog expert, who came from England last year to manage W. E. Mason's Dogs of All Nations exhibit at the Exposition, arrived in San Francisco last week, after a brief visit in the south. Harrison has decided to stay over for the Golden Gate show, and may get up a string of dogs to show.

SALMON TAKEN IN THE BAY.

While trolling for striped bass in the San Francisco Bay last Sunday Henry Hellrich, a skilled and learned rodster, landed a 30-pound salmon near the fog bell of Angel Island. This is odd for this time of the year. Small runs of salmon have come along but not many, and later in the season.

Trolling for striped bass continues in Raccoon Straits and off Angel Island. Members of the San Francisco Striped Bass Club have made catches during the past two weeks ranging in weight from seven to thirty pounds.

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Angleworms Sing.—That angleworms sing is the remarkable discovery made by Walter Armacost, a florist of Santa Monica and Sawtelle.

Ground beds in the greenhouses are full of the earth worms and a kick on the board siding of the bed is instantly followed by a chorus from the wriggling creatures. At certain times of the day every kick will be followed by the worm chorus.

Contrary to the belief of some plant growers, Mr. Armacost holds that the earth worms are rather beneficial to the plant than otherwise.

His theory is that the action of the worms in the soil enables the plant to appropriate its nourishment to better advantage. Therefore he does not attempt to exterminate them.

Queer Ways of Catching Animals

ENERGY, ENTERPRISE, PATIENCE AND SKILL DISPLAYED IN METHODS

The energy, enterprise, patience and skill displayed in the methods used in uncivilized countries for the capture of wild animals find issue in most remarkable artifices.

A common way of ensnaring prey is to set up effigies of the species and to imitate their peculiar cry.

In Siberia, where the peasant, if he sees any one shoot a bird on the wing, stands with mouth gaping in astonishment, not at the skill of the sportsman but at his folly in expending his ammunition, the fowler, having constructed a small hut of green branches in order to hide himself, spreads his nets over the grass in its vicinity where are scattered some stuffed geese or, say, some sitting, others standing in the natural positions of the bird in question. On a flock of wild geese passing overhead, the Siberian with a small bit of birch bark, curiously fashioned, imitates with singular verisimilitude the notes of the birds. On hearing, they wheel and alight among the stuffed skins, when he instantly draws the net over them and easily secures a considerable number.

Incidentally, as a "shot" the average Siberian fowler, especially among those inhabing the great marshlands between the lower courses of the Obi, Yenesi, and Lena, where wild fowl abound, excels almost all. If he does shoot, though he prefers to trap even the black-cock and other game birds, the Siberian always hits the bird on the head. When he shoots, he at first approaches the object on all fours, and then crawls on his stomach till he is at a proper distance for firing. Rarely if ever does he miss, and always hits an animal, the fur of which is of worth, through the muzzle.

Along the east coast of Central America the Indians use a similar method for catching waterfowl. With artificial birds, resembling the teal or wild duck or other bird, made out of rushes, and set afloat on the waters of the lagoon, they lure their prey to its capture, a large calabash hiding the head of the Indian as he aproaches, swimming very gently. Something of a corresponding method also obtains in the deserts of Arabia among the ostrich-hunters. The hunter covers himself with an ostrich skin, and passing an arm up the neck he imitates the motion of the great bird, by means of which artifice he approaches near enough to secure his victim.

Capture through imitation also is resorted to by the Esquimaux, where untouched by civilization or short of powder and shot. Concealing himself behind a heap of stones, the hunter imitates the peculiar bellow or grunt of the deer, and thus lures it within range of his spear or arrow—an artifice which once was common to almost all American Indians. During the winter and early spring the Esquimaux to this day catch wolves and other animals in traps or small houses built of ice. At one end of the hut is a door made of the same material, fitted to slide up and down in a groove. To the upper part of this a line is attached which, passing over the roof, is let down into the trap at the inner end, and there held by slipping an eye in the end of it over a peg of ice. Over the peg is placed a loose grummet, to which the line has been fastened, and a false roof, placed over all to hide the line. The instant the animal drags at the bait the grummet slips off the peg, bringing with it the line holding up the door, and this falling closes the trap and secures the prey.

The Northmen also make use of bird traps just large enough to contain one person, who shuts himself up in his snow-built lure. On the top of it is left a tiny opening ,through which the man thrusts out one of his hands to lay hold of the bird the moment it alights to take away a bait of meat laid there. In certain outlying parts of France, and in the Spanish Pyrenees, also in the hilly regions of northeast Portugal, a similar contrivance is in vogue among the poorer inhabitants, the lure in which the fowlers hide being formed of green boughs instead of snow.

It is however in the trapping of wild beasts for exhibition purposes that most ingenuity is shown.

In giraffe hunting, trappers usually employ a contrivance of three posts joined together at one end and weighted at the other. Pursuing the animals out in the open land, the trapper draws as close to his quarry as the latter will allow, and casts his entanglement in such a way and with such skill that it winds round the giraffe's legs and brings it to the ground, when it is immediately secured.

Zebras are also captured in this manner though the lasso used by cowboys is often utilized. But the difficulty with the giraffe and zebra is to get near enough for the entanglement to be thrown the intervening distance.

The experienced trapper runs little risk with elephants. He finds the place where elephants are evidently in the habit of passing or halting, and here with the aid of natives he digs a great cavity some twenty feet in diameter and five to six feet deep, erecting a strong, high, wooden fence all around it, except at one place, where a large gate is swung.

On a herd of elephants being discovered in the vicinity, the trapper rides out to encounter them, and inveigles one of them, usually a bull, to give him chase. Generally the quadruped is only too willing, and pursues him at a round pace toward the trap, for which the trapper rides. But when he is right on the gate of the trap, he swings his horse round and slips through the narrow opening in the fence, which has escaped the notice of the irate elephant, that being less agile than the horse, cannot turn in time to stop itself but plunges into the trap, the gate of which closes quickly behind it, and lands, with no little impetus, in the great hole prepared for its reception. After having remained in this position for some days, during which it is subjected to the suffocating fumes of many fires, driven stupid with the noise the trapper's natives purposely make, and deprived of water and food, the quadruped's spirit breaks; and completely humbled he is loaded with chains and ropes, and led away.

Apes of all species, save the gorilla, are more easily captured than any other class of wild animal.

All the trapper has to do is to walk near their haunts, when they scurry off to their retreats among the boughs of the trees, and catch him. He drinks, or pretends to drink, from a bottle containing a crude spirit, and leaving the bottle behind walks away. Directly his back is turned the monkeys shoot down from the trees, and investigating the bottle taste its contents. In due course, the trapper returns and easily ropes in the animals that have been overcome by the intoxicant.

The gorilla is not to be caught in this fashion. Indeed, it has been said that a full-grown gorilla has never yet been captured alive. Certainly no sane man would attempt such a feat. When a wild-beast trapper encounters a gorilla, the very great market value of it may occur to his mind; but it does not tempt him to try to make a capture. He shoots to save his life. If his aim is indifferent, the probability is that a human skeleton will mark the place of the encounter. The few gorillas seen in captivity are either victims of infantile indiscretion or very large baboons.—N. Tourneur—Rod and Gun.

Green Lake Club—Trapshooters have often claimed their sport is the only one that cannot be put out of commission by the weather man, and this was proved March 26th at the Green Lake Gun Club, Seattle, when a crowd of thirty-four shooters turned out and shot through the regular program in a driving rain. Some fine scores were hung up during the day.

The hard rain made it necessary to postpone the special ladies' event, and while several of them were out they were content to remain in the clubhouse.

J. S. Ruppe was high amateur, with 48 out of 50, and Matt Grossman was right on his heels with 47. L. H. Reid, professional, also got 48 out of his 50.

The scores:—

	15	15	15 Ttl
Ruppe	13	15	20—48
*Reid	15	15	18—48
Grossman	14	14	19—47
Barnes	14	13	19—46
King	13	12	20—45
Hopkins	15	12	18—45
Van Vleck	14	13	17—44
Kidd	13	15	15—43
Call	11	14	18—43
Fisher	12	15	18—43
Converse	11	15	16—42
Wright	12	13	17—42
Smith	14	10	17—41
Geltz	13	8	19—40
Conklin	12	13	15—40
Jennings	11	11	17—39
Elliott	12	14	13—39
Carsten	14	10	14—38
Hill	9	12	17—37
Bandy	10	8	18—36
Hall	12	9	14—35
Case	11	10	13—34
Mills	9	10	12—31
Rosenfield	8	6	16—30
Gleason	9	10	11—30
Taylor	6	9	13—28
Alexa	7	9	10—26
Winslow	10	8	..—18
Kimball	5	5	7—17
Tucker	6	5	4—15
Bolton	4	10	..—14
Copeland	6	5	..—11
Smith	5	2	..— 7
Wright	1	..	..— 1

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Folsom-Natoma Club.—Members of the Folsom-Natoma Rod and Gun Club are having some sport Sunday afternoons at blue rock shooting. So far the honors have been pretty evenly divided between Joe Rickey and Ollie Ferguson. The great "white hope" of the club, however, is Jack Frates. Jack scored one at the first shoot and two at the second. If he keeps gaining one each time, and if the season lasts long enough, he will eventually make a perfect score.

The club has arranged for a bluejay shoot by dividing the membership into two teams, one under the captaincy of Joe Rickey and the other headed by Billy McKean. The shoot will close April 23rd. The teams are as follows:

Rickey—B. Aymar, L. Biggs, F. Burnham, L. A. Coan, J. Curle, T. Clayborne, M. DeAmaral, J. DeRoas, D. Dunkenson, J. W. Enlow, J. Frates, B. Hunt, N. Hall, J. Jacobs, Wm. Kaelin, J. Leonard, L. Moon, D. McHugh, G. Murer, C. O'Connors, J. Phelan, L. Putnam, C. Romanowitz, H. Seimer, C. Schwilk, C. Spencer, G. Todhunter, A. L. Thau, J. T. Wall, I. B. Walther, H. Weinrich, W. L. Young.

McKean—E. L. Baham, Wm. Bean, L. Cassella, E. Crail, W. N. Crail, T. Doyle, P. Donnelly, D. G. Davenport, G. W. Elliott, F. Fritz, F. Games, L. D. Hopfield, F. Hopfield, C. S. Jones, S. Kuster, Ed. Moon, A. McDonald, F. Myers, F. Newman, Chas. Orr, N. Pratt, C. Rigney, C. Rankin, A. D. Smith, Wm. Stapleton, O. B. Thorp, G. Tagtmier, E. T. Wall, Ed. Welch, Fritz Weber, Pep Young.

THE FARM

CAN DUAL PURPOSE CATTLE BE BRED?

The extent to which opinions differ on this question is so great, that it is in a sense almost unexplainable. In this country a great majority of those who teach in the lines pertaining to animal husbandry claim that dual cattle cannot be successfully bred. In Great Britain but few persons are found, even among those who breed straight dairy cattle, who will dispute the possibility of breeding dual cattle. As a result of this difference of view, but few attempts are made to breed dual cattle on correct lines in America, while the great bulk of the cattle in Great Britain are of the dual types. The great mass of the cattle in America that are called dual purpose are not dual purpose at all. They have not been bred on correct lines. Correct lines of dual breeding are dwelt upon below.

Why that idea should have become so firmly rooted in the minds of men is one of the unaccountable things. Those who hold it claim that the tendency to swing to milk on the one hand and to meat on the other will be so constantly present that the equilibrium cannot be established. Why this should follow of necessity I fail to see. The first law of breeding and far the most important one is that "like produces like." This likeness in transmission extends to every feature of the organization, to form, to function, to disposition and to color. The dominant factors in this discussion are those that relate to form and function. The operation of this law in relation to form will be conceded by all fair-minded men; for without its aid extreme dairy form could not be secured. The battle ground, therefore, centers around the transmission of the function, or of function in its relation to form.

It will be conceded by all that a marked degree of uniformity may be secured in the transmission of form and function that is extreme in one direction in the dairy cow, and extreme in another direction in the beef animal. Why should such transmission fail when middle ground transmission is sought—that is good production in the lines of both milk and meat? Can any opponent of this idea show why?

If it were true that there was inherent antagonism from start to finish between milk and meat production in the same animal, then we could imagine difficulty in maintaing equilibrium in the transmission.

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A HANDSOME "FOLDER."

Years ago were one to write any lines about a stallion at service he would at once be open to charges of booming that horse's interests. But, at this time, I will try to do a little "announcing," and trust to the geographical location of the subject to free me of the implication.

That "grand old man" of trotterdom, Budd Doble, Esq., in far-away California, sent me a folder containing the pedigree of Wilbur Lou (that I have always wished to see), and it is unique as well as attractively arranged. Mr. Doble always was progressive and tasteful.

The card folds in and is like some of those handy little bill purses one sees, and not entirely unlike an envelope. A half-tone of the horse shows, and it was a successful pose, too, lifelike, animated and attractive to a horse-lover. Mr. Doble announces him as "Premier Stallion Hemet Stock Farm," and Hemet is in Southern California and a wondrous estate.

Wilbur Lou is a rare sample of training-on forces; he took a yearling record of 2:19½ in 1910; at two won all engagements, yet did not reduce his year-old mark. When three he scored 2:10¼ and won a coast futurity—an honor, anywhere won, entirely creditable.

At but five—1914—he showed among speed sires, having to his credit a standard-by-record yearling. Last season four, all two years old, went in, including Natalday 2:13½, trotting, and champion of the Pacific coast at that age for the season.

It always is pleasant to note a trifle of sentiment expressed in a name. One of Wilbur Lou's colts is Goldsmith Lou (2) 2:29, and, as all know (of course) Mr. Doble gave Goldsmith Maid her record, 2:14, September 2, 1874, at old Mystic Park, and his winnings, covering many seasons, with the champion of all campaigners is a chapter apart as among wonderful achievements of any era.

Kinney Lou 2:07¾, sire of Wilbur Lou, was Mr. Doble's farewell performer in the eastern country and a credit, indeed, to the famous maker of champions. To ship from coast to coast and condition a stallion to top-notch capacity shows conclusively both Kinney Lou to have been a very great trotter and that the master-hand of a Doble retained its cunning of old. Many who read this will recall the stake won by Kinney Lou over the Empire City course and the reception Mr. Doble was tendered as he returned to dismount and "weigh out." I will never forget it.

Hemet seems, by the illustrated catalogue sent me last season, a veritable dreamland of opportunities to a horseman. Mr. John Shepard, "the dean of Boston roadites," winters regularly there; Ed. R. Bowne, Beau Brummel of the driving fraternity (and you remember what he accomplished, variously, while active as a trainer), visits there each winter season and thus preserves his youthful bloom. It must be the Ponce de Leon of the west as Mr. Doble, himself, now nearing 80, was up behind something he bred at Hemet at the San Francisco meeting last November. Long may Mr. Budd Doble survive and retain his manifold accomplishments. He, indeed, was facile princeps among his contemporaries, and his name and fame never will be forgotten, even when our champions may trot in 1:55 or even faster.

Always I have enjoyed him, and he stands for more that when one refers to him as "our veteran retired Mr. Doble"; Dexter first, then the glorious Maid; Nancy Hanks and Kinney Lou—what a quartet! In conclusion I would say, I notice the "imprint" shows this unique "folder" to have been the handiwork of the Breeder and Sportsman, San Francisco, so widely read the country over.—Percy, in the Trotter and Pacer.

INTERMOUNTAIN FAIR AND RACING CIRCUIT

Horsemen of the Pacific coast and Rocky Mountain states will learn with much pleasure of the formation of the Intermountain Fair and Racing Circuit, the organization having been effected on April First at Boise with an original membership of eight cities, to which more will in all probability be added as the result of a second meeting of fair and race promoters to be held shortly at Pocatello, at which time the stakes and purses will also be arranged and announced. As the circuit now stands, an outlay of forty thousand dollars or more will be made for speed classes participated in by both harness horses and runners, the former predominating, the opening dates already claimed being as follows:

Montpelier, Idaho	August 14
Rexburg, Idaho	August 21
Blackfoot, Idaho	August 28
LaGrande, Oregon	September 4
Baker, Oregon	September 11
Ontario, Oregon	September 18
Boise, Idaho	September 25
Salt Lake, Utah	October 2

This circuit should grow into the strongest one in the northwest, as the cities and towns are all live ones, the gentlemen behind the movement are of the right kind, and every effort will be made to make the sport as attractive as possible to all comers, special features being added to the various programs to round them out to everyone's liking. Both harness horses and runners will be required to parade before the stand after the fashion in force on all running tracks, and drivers and jockeys alike will be required to appear in clean bright colors. Membership with the American Trotting Association will be effected and harness racing conducted under those rules.

The delegates in attendance at the Boise meeting at which the circuit was organized were Charles Ziemer, Ogden; Joseph Waddenn and S. O. Carrell, Baker; C. H. McDermott, J. R. Kirby and O. P. Hendershot, Boise; Warren Dennis, Rexburg; S. E. Decay, Blackfoot; L. H. Strong, Montpelier, and A. W. Trow, Ontario, the following officers being chosen for the permanent organization: Charles Ziemer President; O. P. Hendershot, Vice-President, and Joseph Waddell, Secretary-Treasurer, these three gentlemen also constituting the executive committee. While there was a general demand for the formation of such a circuit, thanks are due very largely to the untiring efforts of Mr. Waddell in bringing matters to a successful conclusion, as he has been working to this end for the past three or four years.

The speed program for the entire circuit will be arranged in the very near future and horsemen will be advised concerning the same through the medium of the Breeder and Sportsman.

$20,000 FOR PURSES AT CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR.

All doubts as to what recognition would be accorded to the speed program at the forthcoming California State Fair, September 2 to 9 inclusive, were set at rest this week when the directors of the California State Agricultural Association met at Sacramento on Wednesday and appropriated the sum of twenty thousand dollars to be devoted to the staging of trotting, pacing and running races, the bulk of the sum to go to the harness horses. This is in addition to the several thousands of dollars involved in the racing of the various stakes sponsored by the society, and is a larger sum than has been appropriated for this express purpose in recent years, insuring a speed program of a nature that will attract the very best horses in the west. In view of the fact that many of the leading local stables are shipping east and that some of the most loyal supporters of former fairs will not have their horses on hand the action taken by the society is most commendable and will meet with the hearty approval of all horsemen. It is possible that the absence of some of the topliners will stimulate a greater entry on the part of the smaller establishments, and in any event there should be plenty of horses available to give good fields in the various classes. Secretary Paine and his associates are now engaged in preparing the program, and the details of the same will be announced at the earliest possible moment through these columns.

Breeders will also learn with pleasure that the board authorized the opening of a new number of the Stanford-Occident stake on lines similar to its immediate successor. It will be made for foals of 1916, to close on Monday, May 15, and full particulars will be given herein during the course of the next few days. We bespeak a generous patronage both of the new stake and of the speed program at the coming fair, as the California State Agricultural Society is certainly "playing fair" with its horsemen friends.

$75,000 ON NORTH PACIFIC CIRCUIT.

We are advised by Secretary Pace of the North Pacific Fair Association that the stake book for the speed programs of the various members of that organization is now ready and that horsemen may obtain the same by dropping a card to him at 1209 Alaska Building, Seattle. Entries to the early closing events are due on June first, while these stakes will be augmented by a goodly offering of class races which will not close until well along in the season.

The North Pacific Fair Association has been the one thing that has kept "body and soul together" in the northwest in recent years insofar as harness racing is concerned, and the coming season will witness the crucial test of the possibility for the members to continue as in the past. There are eight fairs on the circuit at which the events for the trotters and pacers form the main attraction for the week, as well as a number of stock and agricultural expositions in which speed plays no part. To make the harness events attractive both to the public and to campaigning horsemen substantial purses have been arranged at each of the eight fairs alluded to, with by far the greater number of the races to be contested on the popular three heat system, allowing most horses to make two starts a week without detrimental after effects. As the prospect for any great amount of racing in this state is not overly promising it is quite likely that many of our stables will make the trip into the northwest, as has been the case for a good many years, and we most heartily recommend the tracks of the North Pacific Circuit to their consideration. Full particulars of the circuit will appear in these columns in the near future, but we suggest that every man with horses in training send to Mr. Pace at once for the stake book.

A generous patronage of the events set forth therein means the continuation of racing in that section in an even more pretentious manner, while lack of the same will undoubtedly mean a curtailment of the offerings in the future. Help to keep your own business alive and others will help you as well.

ROMANCE AND MELODY ACROSS THE SEA.

[New Zealand Trotting Journal.]

Thelma, who is the pride of the Wildwood stud farm, is in her twenty-first year, but she certainly does not look it, as her condition is almost perfect and her teeth are as good as any ten year old horse. She is in foal to Logan Pointer this season.

Ardath looks to have a chance of winning a race at the Otahuhu meeting, as he is on the limit in a twelve furlong race (4 min. class), and he only went 4:4 3-5 when he won at Wanganui, he can hardly be re-handicapped more than five seconds.

I saw Marie Correlli during the week and I must say she has filled out into a grand stamp of a brood mare, and on the looks of her well conditioned filly foal she must certainly be a good mother. Any brood mare that could beat this matron in a show ring would be worth looking at.

Jenny Lind, who will be remembered as one of the mares that Bryce brought out from Scotland when he first came to this country, has a very bonny colt foal to Wildwood Junior. He is a chestnut and takes a place amongst the best foals I have seen this season. Jenny Lynd, who is a good mother, visited Wildwood Jr. again.

Good Winners and Bad Losers

VARIOUS TYPES OF THE GENUS HORSEMAN

A large, full-blooded, double-fisted man came into the Review office a couple of weeks ago and proceeded to give the sport of harness racing "merry hell." He started in rather a mild way, but as he progressed with his tale of woe he became angry with everybody and everything, including himself. Before he finished you would have thought that upon every occasion he turned around in the horse business somebody had pulled a gun on him and turned his pockets inside out.

I happened to know the facts about his connection with the business, also that he was just what he appeared on the surface to be, viz., one of those cheap, "tin-horn sports," such as set in poker games equipped to skin suckers—I would have taken a small wager that he had a set of loaded dice in his clothes while he was talking to us. From my knowledge of his career, and from what I could draw from his own conversation, I positively knew the whole trouble to be based upon the fact that he started into the sport to skin all comers, and didn't "get by." Hence his sore and disgruntled state . I went as far with him as I could in a conversational way, telling him what I thought about alleged sports of his sort, but I felt, "deep down inside of me," as if I would like to wipe up the office with him.

This man belonged in that well-recognized classification, "good winners but bad losers." He wanted to beat stake horses with a steed that had cost him $500, and when he failed to make good, yi-yi'd like a hound to whose caudal appendage some unfeeling person had attached a large tin can.

I could readily picture the attitude of this "sport" had his horse proved a "headliner." What a cheerful man he would be! How exultant! What a good, true sportsman! How wise! And, Oh, my! What a judge of horseflesh! I can see him in the barber shop having his "spinach" amputated, his face aglow with happiness, passing pleasing remarks to his friends, and offering the suggestion that the steed really had not shown what was in him; "just wait till next season, it looks like 2:00 for him," etc., etc.

I have had had long and somewhat painful experience with this type of horse owner; have had them knock my ribs in and smash my hat on winning occasions; have had them sob on my shoulder when they lost; have shuddered at the language they have employed to denouce drivers, judges and newspaper men upon the mournful occasions of defeat. I am onto them, and have become so "wised up" that I can size them up the very first day that they light on a race track; but I have also grown calloused and hardened. No longer do I mingle my tears with theirs; no longer do I permit them to exude their own upon the lapel of my coat; and when they win I likewise avoid them, knowing that the day is not far distant when their smiles will be turned to frowns, and that instead of emphasizing their joy by smashing my ribs and my hat, they will seek my blood, charging me with being part of an organized conspiracy to defraud them.

I am naturally a cheerfully disposed man; it affords me gratification to help others carry their burdens of sorrow; I am content to listen to troubles that rightly should be related to a policeman; but I am "getting along" as years go; I have lost some of that responsive mental elasticity which enables one to be upon all occasions a philosopher; and so I have reached the point where two things are barred, viz.—IVrd jokes and the wails of bad losers.

These gents who come under the 'Good winner, hard loser" classification, are usually garrulous men. They introduce themselves in horse society wearing the air of conquerors; they seem to feel that they are filling a long-felt want in the business; they wonder how it got along at all before they broke into it; they admit that their horses possess extraordinary merit, but it is so secret that it is withheld only from the stone deaf; they exhibit their bank rolls; they pose in barrooms and hotel lobbies and prepare to march through a circuit with banners aloft and bells ringing.

But their prearranged triumphant invasion halts with the first defeat (that being, as a general thing, in the first race), and they beat a hasty retreat, remaining, however, long enough to expose the fact that they are "tin-horn" sports.

I have seen an uninterrupted sequence come and go during the years that I have been in the business, and their sudden exits have become one of those things out of which I get real pleasure. They are merely transients, floaters, and "didn't belong" at all; just fly-by-nighters, that dropped into our midst for a fleeting moment and then decamped. They didn't care a tinker's d—n about horses, but figured that they were so mentally superior to the general run of men engaged in the sport that all they had to do was to buy a plug and proceed to rake in the coin.

It takes game men to be good sportsmen in any line, and it requires sentiment to make a real horseman. Can you imagine one of the type which I have described entertaining such a commodity as sentiment? Why, if they even thought that they were troubled with it they would submit to a surgical operation in order to have it removed. Armed only with a desire to win by any means; to get money by hook or crook, and swell around afterward, such participants in our sport won't last long, and while they are around they are not going to gather about them a wide circle of friends.

I have known a few downright "mean" men to own good horses; and I have, too, known numerous high-class gentlemen that, try as they did, were denied the pleasure of ever owning one real high-class performer. Just recently a trainer was telling me of a circumstance which provides a good illustration of the above observation.

"I have a patron," said he, "that I simply cannot find a winner for. I have trained a number of horses for him, but they either turn out to be no account, or else they go wrong. Every time I send him his bill I feel ashamed, and every time I meet him I want to apologize to him. He is one of the finest men in the world, and the gamest that I ever came in contact with—but for some reason he hasn't any luck at all."

I know the gentleman to whom the trainer refers, and many times have thought that there was never another man in the business like him. He never complains, never has an ill word to say against the business, and his love for horses is so great that he finds room in his heart for even the worst steeds that he owns. He excuses them and praises their efforts, assuming that they are doing the best that they can. To know such a man is to respect him and to pray for his success.

This gentleman can amply afford to indulge his fancy, but I have known many wealthy men who could not take defeat with good grace. They are highly successful in their own lines, and failure in anything that they undertake gets on their nerves. It isn't the loss of money that affects them, either; it is just the thought that they tried to do somehing and failed.

Money will purchase horses that seem to possess great merit, but many things transpire to bring about their defeat. Sickness or lameness may handicap them. Then, too, the other fellow may have acquired a steed that is just a little bit better! In their own particular line these rich men frequently snatch the coals from the fire by exercising superior business acumen; but in the racing sport, they are as helpless as the man who bets his last dollar and witnesses the horse he played go down to defeat. Indeed, they are more helpless—the chances are that the other man has become used to such contingencies, whereas the rich one is not accustomed to the sting of defeat.

It is for this very pertinent reason that some wealthy men identify themselves with the sport for a temporary period only. But back of their sudden exist is another reason, viz., they were not horse lovers, and merely took up the sport after the manner of any other fad that happens momentarily to strike their fancy. They were not among the true devotees of breeding and racing, men who possess real love for horses and take an active, unselfish interest in them.

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One might assume that, because a man had more money than he could hope to need if his life's tenure covered a thousand years, he could take defeat philosophically, saying to himself, "They beat me this time, but I will stick and show them that I can and will win."

I may have related an incident which exemplifies this phase several years ago, but it will bear repetition. A Wall street man who was well known for his gameness in financial affairs, had his horse soundly beaten in the Transylvania at Lexington, and this one defeat drove him out of the sport. Not only that—it put him, for the time being, in a very nervous state indeed. It was one of the hardest-fought battles ever waged in the Blue Grass classic, and the owner's hopes were so centered upon victory that he nearly collapsed at the conclusion of the race. I chanced to meet him next morning in the lobby of the Phoenix Hotel, and he frankly told me that he was all unstrung. "I have had a sleepless night," said he, " and I am going back to New York on the first train. I never was hit as hard as I was yesterday afternoon, and so far as the racing game is concerned, I am through."

I have never seen him since on a race track. He turned out the defeated steed and has never owned another race horse. His was simply a case of "nerves." He could stand to win or lose thousands in Wall street speculations without the least strain to his nervous system, but he was not temperamentally adapted to witness a horse of his lose after a valiant struggle for a great turf prize.

Speaking of rich men who become nervous when their horses are racing, reminds me of another incident, one which struck me as being very comical.

A wealthy gentleman's steed was engaged in a bitter contest for the M. and M. at Detroit, but after watching the first heat, which was red-hot, the owner repaired to the stable where his horses were quartered and there received bulletins of the race. It was a very warm day, and he had carried an umbrella which he still held over him ,although seated in the shade of an awning. The sight of him sitting there in the shade with his umbrella raised was too much for me. I had to laugh, and this seemed to irritate the owner, who inquired what there was about the matter that struck me as being so funny? "If you will lower your umbrella," I replied, "I will tell you." He glanced up, and in a shame-faced way remarked, "Well, what do you know about that?"

It so happened that the gentleman's horse was beaten, and when I carried him the unpleasant news his action gave me a big surprise. Instead of taking it hard, as I reckoned he would, he instantly relaxed into a cheerful mood, saying, "Well, he did better than I thought he would." Later in the evening I saw him leading the horse around while the steed was being cooled out, occasionally handing him a lump of sugar. Right then it came to me that Bill Shakespeare was right when he told us that nature has fashioned many strange fellows in her time.

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A Wisconsin friend of mine proved last fall that he was the sort of sportsman that I would like were my finances such that I could afford to own horses. His colt was a tentative factor in the Kentucky futurity, but having experienced the worst of racing luck, landed just outside the money. With several others I approached him in order to offer my sympathy, but while thanking us, he said: "I haven't any reason at all to feel badly about the outcome of the race. As I understand it, there were something like fifteen hundred colts eligible to this event, and I figure that my colt was good enough to beat all but four of them."

That was the correct and sensible analysis of the matter—but, unfortunately, many owners cannot see things that way. Later in the meeting I had the satisfaction of congratulating this same gentleman on his colt's victory in another event, and I cannot remember a similar occasion that gave me more pleasure.

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Harness racing was built upon a foundation of sentiment, and that is the very reason why it thrives and continues to attract so many of our people. Take this sentiment away and it would quickly crumble. This fact has been clearly demonstrated in the professional baseball field. The major league magnates during the last few years got to fighting over the

spoils, commercializing the sport to such an extent that even the real "fans" grew cold and withheld their patronage. Now they are busily engaged in trying to bring back the sentiment that they lost, but that seems a pretty difficult task.

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Did you ever pause to consider that it requires very high-grade material to make a first-rate horseman? Or, for that matter, a first-rate sportsman of any kind?

A real horseman, one that can accept defeat gracefully; one that is not found seeking to take unfair advantage of the other fellow; one that remains calm in either victory or defeat, presents about as fine a type of manhood as can be found in this big world of ours. Such men possess courage, gameness, morality, sentiment and imagination, and will do to tie to in fair or foul weather. We remember many of this type in the ranks of harness racing devotees, and for this reason the sport may congratulate itself. As compared with those long-faced fanatics who want to take all of the legitimate joy out of life, and force us to live in the little, narrow, contracted sphere that they have selected for themselves, a good sportsman, liberal-minded and big-hearted, as they are known to be, is more of a Christian, by far a better citizen, and as a friend, I wouldn't trade one of them for a regiment of our present-day moralists and reformers.—Marque, Horse Review.

PACIFIC BREEDERS' FUTURITY STAKE No. 13.

The following thirty-four sixth payments were made on April first, last, on three-year-olds entered in Pacific Breeders' Futurity Stake No. 13, for foals of 1913. The three-year-old divisions of this stake will take place at the meeting of the Breeders' Association this year.

H. G. Angevine's br c Jake Logan by Nearest McKinney, dam Berta Logan by Bert Logan.

I. L. Borden's b f Cherry B. by Barney Barnato, dam Ella G. by Hambletonian Wilkes; b g Alesandro by Barney Barnato, dam Ramona by Prince Robert.

L. H. Brittain's b f Mono K. by Nutwood Demonio, dam Caromia King by Valencia King.

J. J. Campbell's b c Baron C. McGregor by The Bondsman, dam Kate Kopje by Cresceus.

S. Christenson's b c Natalday by Wilbur Lou, dam Ella J. by Bob Mason.

Cave J. Couts, Jr.'s br f Miss Kenneth by Kenneth C., dam Black Bess by Bohida.

S. H. Cowell's b c Sacramento Boy by Henry Nutwood, Jr., dam Charmion by Nutwood Wilkes.

G. Cuneo's rn c Bond Boy by The Bondsman, dam Provoline by Chas. Derby.

W. G. Durfee's ch c Manuelito by Manrico, dam My Irene S. by Petigru; bl f Miss Rico by Manrico dam Subito by Steinway; ch c Rico by Manrico, dam Pavlowa B. by Petigru; br c Hermes by Carlokin, dam Miss Quealey by Moko.

E. A. Gammon's b f Miss Axworthy Dillon by Axworthy, dam Cleo Dillon by Sidney Dillon.

Hemet Stock Farm's bl c Don de Lopez by Kinney de Lopez, dam Eradiate by Geo. W. McKinney; b f Fiesta Lou by Wilbur Lou, dam Fiesta Queen by On Stanley.

N. A. Holaday's b g Dictatus Jay by Alconda Jay, dam Dictatus Belle by Dictatus.

Leo Lynch's b c Dr. Dyer by Vernon McKinney, dam Reubic by Elyria.

Frank Malcolm's b f Miss Bond by The Bondsman, dam Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon; b c Fresno Bond by The Bondsman, dam Fresno Girl by Seymour Wilkes.

Chas. R. Marley's br f The Expense by The Proof, dam Nusta by Nushagak.

J. W. Marshall's br f Verna McKinney by Vernon McKinney, dam Ramona by Demonio.

Al McDonald's b c Surety by The Bondsman, dam Eva H. by Washington McKinney.

J. E. Montgomery's b f Carolyn by Lock Logan, dam Trilby Maid by Black Ralph Jr.

J. A. Scott's ch f Kitty Nearest Smith by Nearest, dam Lady Smith by Tom Smith.

Chas. F. Silva's b c Stanley Quinn by Dan Logan, dam Lady Arthur by Sir Vaux; br c Inspector by Lijero, dam Queen S. by Sable Wilkes.

L. H. Todhunter's bl f Jet Moko by Moko Hall, dam Osmuda by Bon Voyage.

Frank Treanor's b f Catherine T. by The Proof, dam Decoratio by Prince Ansel.

D. W. Wallis' ch f Patti C. by El Angelo, dam Mary W. by Dictatus; b f Julia M. by El Angelo, dam Search Lida by Searchlight.

Chas. W. Winter's b c Alhambra Duke by Alhambra Prince, dam Ezelda W. by Del Coronado.

Fred Woodcock's br c Capt. Mack by The Bondsman, dam Bessie L. by Montana Director.

M. L. Woy's b f Lulu B. by The Bondsman, dam Loma B. by Stam B.

The western consignments to the May sale at Indianapolis are increasing in number constantly and as the quality represented is of the very best, the westerners promise to be among the top notchers of that auction.

"HAWLEY" AT WALNUT HALL.

At Walnut Hall Farm, a few days ago, I saw Mendocita, the dam of the futurity winner of last year, Mary Putney (3) 2:05½, and thought I knew why the filly was so great a trotter without considering her bloodlines. The answer can be found in the conformation of the mother of the young mare which swept all before her during the season of 1915. Mendocita is the best looking broodmare at Walnut Hall Farm in my judgment, and a more bloodlike individual would be hard to find. She has substance, size, quality, and is so well balanced that she does not strike one as being either tall or long, yet such is the case. Mendocita is by Mendocino 2:19½, himself a very good-looking horse and one of much quality as well as muscular development. The dam of the crack among last season's three-year-olds has a very bloodlike head and neck, good shoulders, the best of feet and legs, and, while not in the least gross about the body, is well ribbed and carries a stout frame. She is a better individual than her famous daughter, albeit the futurity winner is a very true made mare, and the matron is as clean limbed, as faultlessly proportioned as the best type of thoroughbred broodmare.

The advocates of thoroughbred blood in the trotter have, in the daughter of Mendocino, a striking example of the efficacy of their theory, yet it is idle to advance the argument that the action and speed of the light harness horse comes from this strain, for neither are to be found in the blood horse or any of his ancestors. The blood of Esther doubtless gives to her offspring and their descendants a fine texture of bone, a quality that is desirable, finish, conformation and constitution, but it cannot furnish action or speed at the trot, for the very good reason that thoroughbreds have neither. Mary Putney inherits speed action and gameness from her sire, San Francisco 2:07¾, and through a long line of trotting ancestry. Her sire was not only a very fast trotter, but a well gaited one and a thorough race horse. His sire, Zombro 2:11, a very fast stallion, is by McKinney 2:11¼, one of the really great sires of this era, and on the maternal side there is the best of inheritance. Mendocino was a trotter of more than ordinary ability, and was begotten by the best action-controlling sire of his generation, Electioneer, who overcame the influence of the thoroughbred blood in the mares at Palo Alto and gave to the world many of the best colt trotters ever bred in this country. Because Mendocita is an almost faultless individual, and gives to her daughter the benefit of her perfection in conformation, it should not be taken for granted that her hot blood, which comes from her dam, had an influence on the action or speed at the trot of her daughter, for this strain is lacking in this respect.

The fact that Walter Cox will again train Mary Putney has given the gossips an opportunity to start reports that are not justified by the facts, and these include the statement that the filly was not sold to Chauncey H. Sears, in whose name she won the rich prizes to which she was eligible last season. The truth of the matter is that one of the members of the Pastime Stable sent to W. J. Andrews a draft for $5,000 after the driver for the syndicate had urged the purchase of the daughter of San Francisco, but, before the check could be tendered, Mr. Sears made an offer of the amount asked by Cox, which was accepted. The New Bedford sportsman gave his check, which, however, was never presented for payment as the mare won herself out before it was deposited for collection, and, instead, the new owner of the mare took up the paper with the proceeds of the first stake won by the three-year-old. But for the fact that Billy Andrews was very busy on the day he received word from his employers, the Pastime Stable would have had the glory and profit accruing to the ownership of the crack trotter of her division. As it was, the famous reinsman carried the draft in his pocket, expecting to tender it on meeting Walter Cox. The latter sold the mare, no doubt, because he believed her to be inferior to Native Spirit (2) 2:09¾, and, in so doing, committed an error that has been made by every horseman whose experience covers an extended period.

A rare looking yearling now at the farm is one bred by Harry Burgoyne, the manager of the great estate, and owned by A. Kingsley Macomber, son-in-law of the late master of Walnut Hall Farm. This fellow is by Native King 2:11¾, and is quite the equal in point of speed of St. Frusquin or any of the stars of the recent sale. Native King has forged to the front as a sire of early and extreme speed, and the chestnut colt by the son of Moko and Yellow Belle is possibly the best of his get if one can judge by conformation, action and speed. San Francisco is quite the rage just now, and for the best of reasons, as last season saw at least three of his representatives racing in the best of company, and one, Mary Putney, far and away the best of her age in training. The son of Zombro is, of course, a very great sire, and one likely to hold his place among the leading stallions for many years to come, yet I think the fact that he has had access to the best band of mares in the world has much to do with his success, and it should not be overlooked that the dam has fully as great an influence over the foal as the sire, many dissenters to this view notwithstanding.

St. Frusquin, the highest prived yearling at the recent New York sale, is at Walnut Hall Farm, and will remain until Walter Cox ships his stable to Dover after the autumn meeting at Lexington. The youngster is a typical San Francisco in appearance, having the conformation of his sire and very much the same color and marks, except that he is a bit darker. He has a good head, a fine neck, is well ribbed, and carries himself like a colt of courage and sense. He will be a taller horse than his sire, and, while patterned after the now famous stallion, will have more daylight under him, a great advantage in any horse intended for speed, and something lacking in the sire of the topliner of the New York sale. Perhaps St. Frusquin, the trotter, will become as famous as the thoroughbred, St. Frusquin, which was by St. Simon, the Peter the Great of the English breeding world and the contender in the Derby, won by Persimmon in the colors of the then Prince of Wales, later Edward VII., after having beaten his near relative in the Two Thousand Guineas at a mile.—Horse Breeder.

ANOTHER AUSTRALASIAN RECORD.

Still another Australasian record has gone to the wall in New Zealand. This time the Prince Imperial gelding Don Caesar is the hero. Starting off 4 sec in the Forbury Handicap, of 450 sovs, on the second day of the Forbury Park Trotting Club's Summer Meeting, January 29, and opposed to a formidable field, he came with a spirited late run and beat Evelyn by a long neck, with Succeed third, in 4 min 28 3-5 sec. The previous race record for two miles was 4 min 30 sec, established by Emmeline in May, 1912, and equaled by Our Thorpe in the New Brighton Cup last December. The race in which Emmeline set up her record was the Winter Oats Handicap, an event endowed with 250 sovs, at the Forbury Park club's Winter Meeting in 1912. Curiously enough, the Rothschild mare's margin of victory on that occasion was similar to Don Caesar's—a long neck, Dr. Chutney running second and Glendalough third. The performance of Don Caesar represents the fifth Australasian record lowered in New Zealand during the present season. On December 16 last Country Belle lowered the mile record from 2:8 3-5 to 2:7 1-5 at Addington, Christchurch. In the Free-for-all on the same course on November 11 Our Thorpe reduced the one and a quarter mile race record to 2:41, while at Auckland on January 1 Country Belle set the Australasian two-mile test standard at 4:22 4-5, and two days later, at South Canterbury, Prince Berlin placed the mile and a half race limit at 3:22 2-5. Though Emmeline lowered both the mile and two-mile records in the one year, seldom has such a number of records over different distances and new track limits been established in New Zealand as during the present season's racing. Don Caesar, who is a brown six-year-old gelding by Prince Imperial from Maritana, won the Lightning Handicap at Christchurch last August from False Alarm and Sherwood in 2:17 4-5, ran fourth in the New Zealand Cup last November, and second to Our Thorpe in the Champion Handicap at Canterbury Park. At the Forbury Park club's Summer Meeting in 1914 Country Belle won the Forbury Handicap. In 1913 it was won by Schoolgirl, and in 1912 by Maelstrom.—Australian Trotting Record.

Frank G. Jones of Memphis is the proud owner of a brand new trotting aristocrat at Castleton, in the Blue Grass, Dudie Archdale 2:03¼ having but recently foaled a fine bay colt to the cover of her old rival and stable mate, Anvil 2:02¾. If the youngster inherits an intensification of the good qualities of both sire and dam he should be one whale of a trotter some of these fine days.

Notes and News

Our Thorpe, the Australasian champion pacer who was scheduled for a trip to American tracks and whose mishap at Dunedin was reported in this paper a few days ago, has had his journey indefinitely postponed owing to the severe shaking up experienced at that time.

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That Intermountain Circuit more fully described elsewhere in this paper looks encouraging for the harness horse interests in the eastern Oregon and Idaho country and will prove the means of providing engagements for quite a number of stables that would otherwise find themselves up against a very short campaign for the present season.

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Goldie McGregor, a nice yearling filly by Onward McGregor (3) 2:23¼ out of Gypsy C. by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, grandam Miss Volmer by Welcome 2:10½, is being broken to harness by her owner, Charles Cook of Irvington, and will be pointed for the money in the Breeders' Stake No. Fifteen the junior divisions of which will be raced in 1917.

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We have for sale at this office one number of the Year Book for 1915, Volume 31, just from the press of the A. T. R. A. It contains all the usual official information of the racing of 1915 in the United States and Canada and will be sent to any address desired upon receipt of the regular price, $3.25, with transportation charges prepaid.

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The American bred trotting mare Alice Shaw by Edward Aubudon, owned by Barlow Brothers of New Zealand, scored a decisive win in the Temuka Handicap at Timaru recently, leading a field of thirteen starters by a matter of several lengths, after having been unsuccessful in her races previously at Forbury and Manawatu. The event was for unhoppled trotters at two miles, the winner's time being 5:09 3-5.

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Leo Lynch of San Ramon arrived at the Pleasanton track last Wednesday with the three-year-old pacer Doctor Dyer by Vernon McKinney 2:01½, dam Reubic by Elyria, and will get the youngster ready for his stake engagements, as he is eligible to all the pacing events for the age here in California this season. The Doctor is a promising prospect of the genuine Vernon McKinney stamp and showed that he has a lot of natural quality by working in 2:21 as a two-year-old for his owner when at Pleasanton last season.

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The twelve-year-old brown gelding, Prince Lot 2:07¾, by Prince Ansel 2:20½, sire of the trotting mare Bonnie Ansel 2:09¼, who raced so successfully on Pacific coast tracks last season, has been purchased by the well-known horse auctioneer, H. B. Potter, of Providence, Rhode Island. His dam is Lottie 2:15 (dam of Lottie Ansel 2:14¼), by San Diego 8776, grandam Flora B. 2:27, a daughter of Whippleton 1883. His grandsire, Dexter Prince, is the sire of Bernice R. 2:07¼, Lisonjero 2:08¼ and Eleata 2:08½. The latter is the well-known brood mare formerly owned by the late James Hanley and later his son, Walter H. Hanley, who sold her in New York at the November Old Glory sale last year.—Trotter and Pacer.

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W. C. Brown of Vancouver, B. C., has recently sold to E. D. Gould of the Midway Stock Farm, Kearney, Nebraska, the brood mare Princess Bessum 2:29½ (dam of Prince Del Monte 2:22½) by Egyptian Prince and her stud colt of this season by Robert Bingen 2:11¼, now a member of the stud at Midway. William Whalen of Santa Rita Stock Farm, where the mare has been running since along in the winter, states that the foal is the best one that has made its appearance at his establishment in a long time, an opinion shared by the Livermore Valley regulars who have been out that way since its birth. The pair will soon be shipped to their new home in Nebraska, where the mare will be bred to Robert Bingen again, while the colt will be developed as an advertisement for both sire and dam.

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Practically all of the band of famous matrons gathered by Woodland Stock Farm have found homes in the east since the dispersal of that establishment some months ago, and now one of the best of them all and one of the very few yet remaining in California will make the eastern pilgrimage, Ella J. T. having been purchased from a local horseman by Andrew Albright Jr. and shipped to Los Angeles to join the considerable delegation that he has gathered there during the last few months. For the first time in some years she is not with foal but the off year will very probably prove beneficial. She has been a most successful producer in the past, being the dam of Honey Healey 2:08¼, San Felipe 2:09¼, Natalday (2) 2:13½, Santa Paula 2:17¼ and Emma C. 2:22¼, as well as a couple of other pacers now of racing age that have shown ability to go in the list and the yearling trotting colt owned by A. W. Longley. She seems due for at least two new standard performers this year, while Natalday and El Paso, the futurity colts now in training at Pleasanton, are ranked as about as good as they come in this neck of the woods.

Al Pryor of Santa Cruz is at Pleasanton with the pacing mare Colleen by Charley D. 2:06¼, out of Cricket 2:10 by Steinway (3) 2:25¾, and will handle her himself during the early portion of her season's prep. Homer Rutherford raced her in a few events in 1914, when she showed her ability to pace very close to 2:06, and also had her last season until he shipped east to the races, when she was sent home. She is a very attractive mare both in harness and out and if given plenty of time to make speed without being forced off her feet she ought to make a useful thing to take to the races, as she has just as much lick as the next one and a good deal more than lots that are paying dividends.

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Al McDonald, who has made his headquarters at Pleasanton for the last few years, will ship to Indianapolis when the DeRyder-MacKenzie consignment goes to the sale there and will enter his three-year-old pacer Surety in the class races for that age and gait over the central western tracks. This colt, who is by The Bondsman and out of Eva H. by Washington McKinney, began life as a trotter but switched to the pace about this time last year and made speed very rapidly at that way of going. Shipped to the exposition last fall he contracted a cold from which he had not yet recovered when the Pleasanton futurities were raced, but at that was barely beaten in the first heat in 2:12½ and finished out that hard fought event in excellent style. He has wintered in great shape and has a lot of lick this spring, having already been miles in 2:23 with halves in 1:08¼ and quarters in :31.

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A. Ottinger, not liking the looks of things for much racing locally this summer, has decided to send his three matinee performers to the Indianapolis sale, where they ought to be pretty well regarded. Dick W. 2:06½, with a little time allowance to help him out this year, should earn some money over central western tracks in the pacing classes, while the trotting mares Agnes Carter and Frances S. are in fine shape and will show a good turn of speed under the watch over the Indianapolis course. Agnes Carter, even were she not in shape to race, should be snapped up by some of the big eastern breeders at a good price for breeding purposes, as she is by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½ out of the double producer Excella by Monbells, grandam Expressive (3) 2:12½ by Electioneer, great grandam Esther by Express, three daughters of the latter mare having produced 2:10 trotting speed.

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The advertised foreclosure sale of the famous race track at Readville, Mass., which was scheduled to be held March 20, did not take place as Owner A. J. Welch, of Hartford, made satisfactory arrangements to pay the tax claims of the town of Dedham and that of the mortgagee, Charles J. McDermott, of Brooklyn. It is now definitely settled, however, that the two-minute track will never again be opened for trotters or made a racing center. Trainers located there were notified last week to vocate their stables and barns by April 1. It is said that arrangements have already been completed to use the property for manufacturing purposes, and at least part of it will be cut up for building lots. Having been given advance notice a few days ago, trainers have already made arrangements to move, a majority going to Combination Park tract, among them the veteran trainer Ed. Bither, who has been a regular tenant at Readville since the plant was first built.—Horse World.

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Homer Rutherford, who had a very successful season last summer in the central west with the good three-year-old trotter George N. Patterson (3) 2:12¼, fastest by both record and trial of any of the coast trotters of the age last year, will go east again this season with the black son of On Voyage and Yu Tu by R. Ambush, taking with him a two-year-old colt by The Bondsman and out of the same mare. This lad's name is Sequoia and he is an upstanding, sturdy brown youngster apparently worthy of the good name. Last spring in his breaking he attracted a great deal of favorable comment from the eastern visitors at Pleasanton, and this year is learning to trot very handily ,having progressed to a mile in the standard notch, with a half in 1:13 and a quarter in :35½. He is paid up in four eastern stakes and may do to start in some of them late in the year. Just where Homer will race he has not yet decided, but it will probably be in the same locality visited last summer.

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Expressive Mac 2:25½, sire of those three great pacing mares Clara Mac 2:04½, Vera Hal 2:05 and Madame Mac 2:07¼, was one of the best patronized trotting stallions in California last season and the 1916 crop of foals, from the best mares to whom he has ever had access, is putting in an appearance. Dolly D. by Athadon, owned by L. Karns at Lindsay, foaled a big bay colt late in March and the pair are the center of attraction among horse-lovers in their home town, Mr. Karns being so well pleased with the newcomer that the mare will be returned to the court of Expressive Mac. Jennylyn (dam of Madame Mac) by Hawthorne foaled April 9 a full brother to the sensation of the winter ice season in Minnesota, and Beautiful Morn 2:25, purchased by Mr. Nelson here in the city last fall, has a brand new son by Palo King and will be bred to Expressive Mac. Mr. Nelson has two other excellent mares now due to foal to the embrace of the same sire, Zyphrus by Bombro and Narcola by Athadon, the latter matron being the dam of the trotter Alessandro 2:23½ and McCola, with a trial better than 2:10.

When Tim Sexton came across the bay one night last fall and attended Charley DeRyder's Christmas Tree sale at the Riding and Driving School he parted with forty-five whole dollars for a black weanling filly by Vernon McKinney out of a mare by Oh So, the further pedigree not being established. Tim sent her to Pleasanton by Henry Smith with instructions to break her, Hank eventually sending down word that she was nicely broken but could neither trot or pace. With the idea that if well broken he would cut down expenses by bringing her home and having a boy drive her once in a while, Tim wended his way to the MacKenzie horse paradise to get first hand information as to how she handled. She had one of those notions and it required a man and a boy to hook her up, after which Henry got her on the track, gave her a yank when she bowed her neck and she lit pacing. Tim decided to leave her there, bought her a substitution in the stakes, and she has never done anything but pace since then. She is the greatest little speed marvel on the track up there, acts as wise as an owl, and at eleven months of age turned a half in 1:18 with the final end of it in :38, while last Saturday she marched through the lane like an oldtimer in :37¾. She has all the earmarks of one that the knowing horseman will do mighty well to bear in mind in the future.

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Harry Bell, the Canadian horseman who has been at Pleasanton since the close of the racing season of 1914, will ship east about the middle of May with the good trotter Grattan Boy 2:09½ and take in the class races on the big line for the early meetings, then shipping on to Monroe, Goshen and Middletown and picking up the Grand Circuiters again later in the season. Grattan Boy, a son of Montana Grattan and Silk by Copper King, is working around 2:20 for Harry at the present and looks fit as can be for another hard campaign like he made in 1914, when he won in excess of sixty-six hundred dollars in an international tour extending from the Canadian prairies to the southwestern part of the United States. He is a halfmile track trotter of rare quality, as he has amply demonstrated in the past, and should be a prominent contender in the hottest kind of going in the good purses hung up at the three tracks mentioned, while the big line folks are going to find him no soft thing to handle. A Pleasanton trainer tells a tale of being two or three lengths ahead of him at the three-quarters and being that far behind him at the wire, timing his own steed through the lane in thirty and a half seconds, so he evidently doesn't have to depend on watchful waiting to win a race when he is ready. Harry has lots of friends in this neck of the woods who will take pleasure in hearing of the pair giving a good account of themselves throughout the coming campaign.

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An unusual amount of interest centers in the stable of Will DeRyder at Pleasanton owing to the presence of one of the very few of California's candidates for the M. & M. and other Grand Circuit classics this season, the bay gelding Spriggan 2:08¼ whose rise to fame was so much on the meteoric order in 1915. Bought by his present owners late in the fall of 1914 he startled the talent all over the country by winning the big trotting stake at the spring meeting at the exposition, following up that performance by a most consistent campaign that lasted through the fall meeting at the same course. His winnings in his first year out under Will's direction amounted to very nearly seventeen thousand dollars, a sum exceeded on the Grand Circuit by but three horses, Peter Scott, Mary Putney and Hal Boy. In eleven starts he was never worse than third, winning eight times, and that he will give a good account of himself again this year is believed by all who have seen him this spring. He is a peculiarly built horse that carries little excess weight in the way of upholstery on his bones, but he seems to have more real substance now than ever before. He is the picture of health, has no warmed over spots that bother him, and is working very nicely around 2:20. Dicto 2:09¼, separately timed last season very close to 2:05, is as husky as ever and is a better horse than he was generally credited with being when matineeing here a season or so ago, inheriting most of his quality through his dam. He will make the trip east also, though not starting in as select company as his stable mate, and Will and his patrons are making a quiet look around for a really high class trotter, ready to race to add to the string. The green trotter El Volante S., who will be carried over a year, and the trotting filly Miss Bond (2) 2:17½, winner of second money in the State Fair futurity last fall, will probably be left here on the coast in good hands when Will leaves for the east next month. Both have done all asked of them to date and Will is satisfied that they are the making of a pair of good racegoers with a little more education. He also has the Ottinger horses at present, but these will in all probability go to the Indianapolis sale.

FROM AMERICA'S PREMIER REINSMAN.
The World's Champion Peter Volo Wore Them.
Poughkeepsie, N. Y., May 10, 1914.
Yours to hand and in reply will say that I have used your X Ray Pads and am using them now on some of my very best horses and consider them a wonderful pad; never had anything suit me as well in the way of a pad.
Very truly yours,
THOS. W. MURPHY.
J. David West, the dealer in turf goods at 1018 Fillmore Street, San Francisco, sells these pads. Send for circular.

While E. A. Gammon has made the recent payments on Miss Axworthy Dillon in the local stakes in which she was engaged, a good many horsemen who have young things paid up in the same events will perhaps sleep better o' nights when they learn that she will in all probability be included in the band of trotters and pacers which Charley DeRyder is taking to the Indianapolis sale, so there is a possibility that she may not be out here when the three-year-old trotting stakes are called this fall. She is paid up in practically every stake in the country, and as not only DeRyder but a good many other canny judges consider her a 2:08 or better trotter this season she may be kept too busy down east to pay to ship this far west again. This filly came from nothing to a mile in 2:14½ and repeat in 2:15, in a race, mind you, in about a hundred days, and the folks who raced against her last fall are the ones who figure her the strongest at this moment. She is a deceptive looking young lady, being rather long and slim, but she is a real trotter in harness, one of the kind that will not break and will give all she has in her any time it is asked for. She is bred that way, being by Axworthy (3) 2:15½ out of Cleo Dillon (3) 2:13¾ by Sidney Dillon, and as evidence of the place she occupies in the respect of Mr. DeRyder it may be noted in passing that he has tilted the price on her a round thousand iron men since he began moving her up a little this spring. No very fast work has been called for as yet, but a quarter last week in thirty-two seconds was simple, so she "has it with her" all right. Horses consigned to the Indianapolis sale will be shown under the watch at the mile track at the state fair grounds on the day before the sale begins, and birds that show more than the Pleasanton contingent will have to be mighty fit. Rapallo, a beautifully gaited trotter and a fine individual, considered by many as the superior in breeding to his famous half-brother San Francisco, has a prior trial in about 2:07 to his credit and is now working in 2:22, with halves better than 1:05. One front leg bears the blemish of some jack doctoring a few years ago, but he is sound and in great condition. Sis Bodaker, now five years old and with a trial last year right at the two-ten mark, is trotting below 2:20 with halves in 1:04½ and looks very fit indeed for the slow trotting classes on any ordinary circuit. The Earnest, who loomed as a sensational colt trotter and was retired for castration, has only recently commenced his spring jogging, but has matured into an attractive gelding and will be well liked by bidders at the Hoosier auction. The Vernon McKinneys are given a double representation by a dandy yearling pacer out of a Carlokin mare and a five-year-old gelding out of a daughter of Diablo, grandam the dam of Leata J. 2:03, while there is a real yearling trotter by Joe Patchen II out of Zombro Belle by Zombro, a fine big youngster that has shown quarters better than forty, weeks ago during his breaking days. Two of the get of that rare old campaigner Fresno Girl 2:10½ are in the lot, the four-year-old trotting gelding Midnight Express by Expressive Mac 2:25½ and the three-year-old pacer Fresno Bond by The Bondsman, both of them ready to show speed of the extreme kind. Asa Pointer, a Star Pointer gelding with a previous trial around 2:06 and the sturdy campaigner Hal J. 2:09½, who made Russell Boy pace the twolapper at Jackson, Miss., in 2:07¼ to beat him in one of his races last fall, will also be in the shipment, and perhaps a number of other good prospects. There will be plenty of good horses at this auction, but Californians like these will hold their own with the best of them when it comes to being in demand at good figures.

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Millard Sanders, who has had about as many good California trotters as the next one in the several years that he has been identified with the harness horse of the Pacific coast, waxes enthusiastic over the quartet now in his stable at Pleasanton composed of Future Tramp (4) 2:09¼, Natalday (2) 2:13½, Howard's Comet and Peter's Queen, each the property of a different owner. The Trampfast trotter, owned by Timothy D. Sexton of Oakland, progressed steadily last season for Charley Durfee, negotiating a mile for that wily gentleman over the Pleasanton course right at 2:08 and achieving the season's trotting race record for geldings of the age over the slow course here at the exposition, driven by the owner and defeating in that mile that pair of great mares, Maymack and Esperanza. The easterners who were in evidence at the exposition meeting made some overtures to Tim for the purchase of the little fellow but there was nothing doing in that line, while since then two or three offers of five thousand or more have been made in good faith and refused. He is one of the best bred trotters in the world and Charley Durfee is authority for the statement that no horse can trot a half in a minute with greater ease, so Tim has reasons for liking him. He has no engagements and will be raced but lightly this season, a mile in 2:25¼ being all that has been asked of him to date. Natalday is starting up the season's work very rough gaited, as was the case last year, and seemingly a little inclined to pace at times, but Millard threw three comfortable miles into him Saturday without him making a hitch or a skip of any kind, so he is probably ready to square away and get ready for his stake engagements, which are not limited to those on this coast. He has grown into an impressive looking horse and should be better than a two-ten trotter this year, which will be quite an advertisement for his sire, Wilbur Lou. Howard's Comet, owned by Peter Howard of Alameda, was trained by Millard last season and was doing finely until he hit the exposition track and started in a number of amateur events driven by his owner, when he developed a tendency to jump up early and often. He has a rather unattractive of way of going but gets over a lot of ground at a stride and right now is the readiest trotter on the Pleasanton course, working handily last week in 2:15¾. The fourth member of the quartet, Peter's Queen, is a daughter of Peter the Great and Sonoma Queen, sister to the M. & M. winner Sonoma Girl, and is the property of Clinton A. Harrison, the northwestern horseman who simply cannot stay away from California for any considerable length of time. Up at Woodland this girl did not do very well and came to Millard in poor shape, but has come around nicely and is making speed very impressively. She has gone the route better than 2:18 to date, with halves around 1:05 or 1:06, and will be carried along easily until late in the season, when Mr. Harrison will come down and see exactly what she has in her, after which she will be staked east or sold. She has a lot of the characteristics of the best of the family to which she belongs and looks very promising indeed. During the winter and early spring Millard had the A. W. Longley pacer, Pedlar Direct by Baron Direct, in his stable and brought him along to a mile in 2:15 before turning him over to the owner, that being considerably the best showing this little sidewheeler has made since his education commenced. Several youngsters and green things round out the stable at present and will probably be heard from later on in the season.

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From all present indications it seems likely that two or three brood mares who are already producers of 2:10 speed will have additions made to their members of that select circle from the string of trotters and pacers now being prepped for the summer's campaign by Sutherland & Chadbourne at Pleasanton. The member of the stable that is farthest advanced right at this moment is the four-year-old pacing filly Jessie Patchen, who is unraveling miles in 2:16½ with halves at a two-eight clip, so that 2:10 should be well within the range of her possibilities before the season is really far advanced. She is by Joe Patchen II and out of that double producer of extreme speed Jessie M., dam of Hal J. 2:09½ and Della H. 2:10. Two-year-olds that could pace in 2:10 have not been hardly as thick as hair on a dog's back since Directly hung the record for colts of that age at 2:07¾ a good many years ago, but the bay gelding El Paso seems to have as good a chance to turn the trick as the next one of his age and gait. He is by True Kinney and out of the dam of San Felipe, Honey Healey, Natalday, etc., and while Fred has had a number of two-year-olds to pace around 2:10 to 2:13 he considers this boy about the best of them all. He has been a mile this spring in 2:30 with a half in 1:12 and is extremely pleasing in every way. He will be the first harness horse to be campaigned by the wealthy young Dixon business man, Roy D. Mayes, and no one will begrudge the owner a good start. Verna McKinney, whose mile in 2:13 last fall stamped her as the boss filly of the age and gait for the country for that season, is fit as can be and taking easy work around 2:35 with occasional brushes at a much merrier clip. She has not been troubled by the intermittent touches of distemper that set her back several times last spring and summer, and from the way she could pace then she should find two-ten no trick at all this year. She is sound as ever and will make the second fast one for Ramona, who is also the dam of Del Rey 2:03¾, a candidate for the Board of Commerce at Detroit at the coming meeting. Red Patch, a four-year-old gelding by Joe Patchen II—Trix McAdrian is working nicely below 2:30 at the pace, and the two-year-old Vernon Pointer, by Vernon McKinney—Poinsetta 2:25, is getting untangled and squaring away to a point where he can travel a mile handily in 2:45, with quarters at a 2:20 clip. He was a little inclined to do a little of everything and really not much of anything for a time, but is showing considerable promise now. The older record horses, Bon Cres (3) 2:10¼ and A. B. C. 2:10¼, are taking things easy as yet with miles around 2:35 as their speed limit, and two young trotters in the stable are showing like real comers. The elder of this pair is the three-year-old bay colt Baron C. McGregor, and in spite of this nomenclative handicap he is making considerable speed. He is by The Bondsman and out of the dam of Bon Cres, and while a trifle small is a rugged scamp with a dogged way of going, turning the full distance last week in 2:28 with a quarter in :34. The younger one is also a bay colt, a two-year-old, and has shown his natural inclinations by trotting a mile in 2:35 with shorter distances at a standard clip. He is by Keefer & Spencer's rising young sire, The Proof, and out of the producing matron Deviletta 2:10½ by Diablo 2:09¼, owned by W. S. Harkey of Gridley and now due to foal to the embrace of Robert Bingen.

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George Machado of Decoto, who trains for the local amateur patron, George J. Giannini, is at Pleasanton with a small stable that contains the bulk of the real sizzle now in evidence at the MacKenzie plant. Ella M. R., the big brown mare that came so fast late last season at the Stadium track, begins to loom as quite a bit better than a two-ten trotter, working Saturday in 2:15½, with the last half in 1:03½ and through the lane in :30½, the way she does it being even more convincing than the amount of speed displayed A futurity winner as a two-year-old, she ran out for some seasons and grew big and soft, so that for some time after commencing work again she came very slowly. She is a grand big trotter now, hard and fit, and as she is bred to be a good one the owner and trainer are both strong for her. She is by Lord Alwin (full brother to John A. McKerron 2:04½) and out of Excella by Monbells, grandam Expressive by Electioneer, then Esther by Express, etc., which right at this moment is breeding that suits the most finicky pedigree bug. Bradmont, Mr. Giannini's old favorite pacer who showed ability to win over the Stadium track last fall in 2:08¾, has put in an easy winter and is fat and hearty, just beginning to take a little light exercise of a regular nature. He is sound as a dollar and will probably figure pretty prominently again in the local matinees. The real speed merchant of the trio right at this moment, however, is the pacer Harry B., owned personally by Mr. Machado. An official ruling is required on this bird's name, as he is registered as Bold Harry and matineed last year here in this city, and surrounding towns, as Aerolite Junior, which seems a more fitting appellation than either of the others. He is an eight-year-old bay gelding by Aerolite and out of that famous old pacing mare Cricket 2:10 by Steinway, the mare being in her twenty-fourth year at the time of his foaling. "Pa Jim" Sutherland is authority for the fact that this horse always was a comical looking colt, and he very nearly fills that description to this moment, being abnormally stocky both fore and aft, with a back a trifle low, and a mane "hogged" like that of a saddle pony. However, he has the goods in the speed line and is coming along like a record breaker at present. Having been the last half of a mile in 2:18 in 1:01½ in previous work, George set out Saturday morning to see if he could get him away fast, taking him out in about third horse position at the stand and edging in to the pole rounding the first turn. He gets away poor, folks, poor, as the best he did Saturday was to go up the hill to the half in 1:01½, a trick that has been duplicated by but few pacers at any time of the year on that particular piece of footing. After passing the half George registered for a room with bath and went sound asleep, but at that the little fellow came home on his own responsibility in about 1:12, seeming to be up to a mile very close to 2:10. He will be raced at Dixon probably on May sixth and the horse that beats him in those halfmile heats will have to step that track very close to a minute.

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The busiest little bee at the Pleasanton course is one Henry Smith, Esquire, who is handling a dozen or more horses for various owners. His personal string in training is reduced to one solitary representative, the old standby Della H. 2:10 having been retired to the broodmare ranks, this sole hope being the five-year-old bay mare Gertie D. by Charley D. 2:06¼, out of Gertie A. by Diablo 2:09¼. She promises to live up to her pedigree by performance and has been a mile in 2:20 this spring, with a half at a two-ten clip. For S. S. Bailey Henry is just beginning to throw a little regular work into a string of five, including the futurity winner Bon Guy (3) 2:11¾ and the fast pacer O. U. C. 2:07¼, who has grown himself a nice new set of feet that look much better than those he carried last season. If they really carry him without causing him a good deal of pain it is believed that he will be a pretty useful sort of a sidewheeler, as Mr. Bailey had it demonstrated to his personal satisfaction last year that when the lad's feet did not burn him up alive he stayed on a pace and behaved as nicely as could be asked. The other three are green ones, the mare Bertie Seattle with previous trials better than 2:10, the three-year-old gelding Jim de Oro, full brother to the champion Rayo de Oro (3) 2:07¼ and now beginning to round out from an overgrown colt all head and hind legs into a pretty fair looking horse, and the trotting filly Bonita Guy by Bon Guy out of a mare by Zombro. Slow work has been the order of the day for these horses to date and they are coming nicely and looking good. Henry's principal patron is Mr. A. W. Longley of California and Chicago, and for that gentleman he is handling several head, a number of them green youngsters of whom little if anything has been asked as yet. The older ones which are to be raced this season, however, are farther along and can show quite a bit of step without hurting themselves in the least, the farthest advanced of the lot being the pacers Pedlar Direct (worked in 2:15 by Millard Sanders before coming into Henry's hands and now taking his miles from seventeen to twenty) and Star Dillon, the Star Pointer—Miss Harris gelding purchased by Mr. Longley at the last DeRyder sale, this boy being up to a mile in 2:16, with halves in 1:03 and quarters at the flat two minute gait. The gray trotter Kirkfield by Re-Election, bought cheap last summer on the chance that he might not stand the gaff, is going sound and working comfortably in 2:20 with occasional brushes at a clip that would carry him well into the charmed circle if persisted in. A three-year-old bay filly by Demonio is pacing in standard time, while the balance of the Longley stable, handled jointly by Henry and Hiram Rapelje, are in the kindergarten stage of track education. These include a pacing filly by Demonio, a nice big trotting gelding by True Kinney, the same age, the yearling Prince Ansel—Ella J. T. colt, now well broken and a nice gaited trotter, and one or two others recently arrived from the Bishop neighborhood. These, with the Tim Sexton pacing phenom described elsewhere, keep Henry fairly busy and apparently well fed and contented, as he wears the same old "Smitty smile" as of yore.

Thoroughbred Matters

TIA JUANA REOPENS TODAY.

Early this afternoon Starter Edward Tribe will spring the gate before a good field of thoroughbreds in the first race at Tia Juana, and the Lower California track will have commenced upon the second stage of its active career as the racing Mecca of the Pacific Coast. Insofar as the immediate premises of the track and grounds are concerned all traces of the recent flood have been removed and the course and buildings have been put in the pink of condition for the resumption of the sport. The original plans of Mr. Coffroth and his associates called for a hundred days of racing commencing January first, and the meeting will continue for at least the balance of eighty odd days of the time included in those plans, while racing may be continued right along for an even more extensive period.

The meeting commencing today will be more pretentious in every way than was the case in January, when there was a question in the minds of both horsemen and public as to whether the game would prove a success at the town on the border. Handicapped as was the opening by the worst weather that has visited that section of the coast in its history, the meeting proved beyond all doubt that racing there would be popular and profitable, so that with the plant rebuilt and a long stretch of good weather in sight, hundreds of horses have been shipped there to take in the sport, there being almost three times as many there now as in January. The management has also announced three hundred dollars as the minimum value of the purses, while there will be a series of handicaps which will have a considerably greater reward for the winners. The program for today features the Resumption Handicap at one mile, with another event over a like distance and two classes each at five and a half and six furlongs, respectively, six races in all. After the former custom, racing will be conducted on Sunday, but not on Monday.

Those who will officiate at the course are C. H. Pettingill of New York as presiding judge, Edward Tribe of Arlington, Maryland, as starter, L. J. Rose and Samuel J. McGibben as associate judges, S. J. McGibben as racing secretary and handicapper, J. S. Rothert as entry clerk and clerk of the scales, and John Millin as paddock and patrol judge.

FOALS AT SAN JOSE.

That the 1916 crop of thoroughbred foals at the establishment of Edward Cebrian at San Jose will add materially to the holdings of that gentleman is pretty conclusively proven by the rate at which the aristocratic babies have been making their appearance since the first of the present year. Three were foaled in January, two in February and fourteen in March, a total of nineteen to the first of April, while many more of the band of some seventy matrons are due to make delivery during this month and May. The foals to date, each one of which is a well-bred thing with great future possibilities, are as follows:

January 2—Chestnut colt by Joe Carey—Armadora by Gano.

January 30—Bay filly by Rey Hindoo—Sain Shot by Sain.

January 31—Bay colt by Von Tromp—Modesia by Imp. Canopus.

February 11—Chestnut filly by Von Tromp—Jourdain by Imp. Watercress.

February 20—Bay filly by Von Tromp—Du Barry by Imp. St. George.

March 8—Chestnut colt by Von Tromp—Ruth W. by Imp. Kings Counsel.

March 8—Bay colt by Rey Hindoo—Directa by Vinctor.

March 9—Chestnut filly by Rey Hindoo—Illusion by Mesmerist.

March 9—Bay filly by Joe Carey—Alondra by Emperor Norfolk.

March 10—Bay filly by Joe Carey—Glenco Maid by Emperor Norfolk.

March 12—Chestnut filly by Von Tromp—Andreweta by Imp. St. Andrew.

March 12—Bay colt by Joe Carey—Trained Nurse by Yo el Rey.

March 14—Chestnut colt by Joe Carey—Escarola by Amigo.

March 16—Chestnut filly by Marse Abe—Saliska by Salvation.

March 27—Bay colt by Von Tromp—Rose Gal by Imp. Galveston.

March 27—Bay filly by Tim Payne—Arcadia Belle by Emperor Norfolk.

March 27—Bay filly by Joe Carey—Mi Reina by Santiago.

March 28—Chestnut filly by Rey Hindoo—Zula H. by Rubicon.

March 28—Chestnut filly by Joe Carey—Dod Anderson by Commoner.

FAILED TO GET A RECEIVER APPOINTED.

New Orleans, La., April 3.—Efforts of Miss Jean Gordon, clubwoman and suffragette, and Alfred F. Page, former Auditor of the Business Men's Racing Association, to have a receiver appointed for the association which so successfully conducted the fifty-seven day meet at the Fair Grounds this year, failed today when E. K. Skinner, of the Civil District Court, held that Miss Gordon's complaint was not looked upon with favor by the bench and bar, and that Mr. Page was proved false, since the association was in first-class financial condition. The judge then dismissed both applications for the appointment of the receiver.

Today's court action followed what Miss Gordon tried to make a public upheaval against the races. Just before the close she caused a grand jury investigation by stating that the Locke law was being violated. The grand jurors found not a true bill against the racing body, and that the law was not being violated as charged. Page was one of the principal witnesses at this hearing, and it has been openly charged and alleged here that he gave evidence which tended to damage the racing association.

Shortly afterward his services were dispensed with by the racing association. In the meantime Miss Gordon had secured two shares of stock from Joseph Rittenberg, keeper of a pawnshop. With these two shares she went into court, claiming to be a stockholder, and asked for a receiver on the ground that the association was running a business contrary to law and in violation of the law.

Harry Payne Whtney has come forward with a generous offer for the continuance of the Whitney Memorial Steeplechase, which has been run annually as a mark of appreciation for the benefit the turf derived from the efforts of his father, the late William C. Whitney. The Whitney Memorial Steeplechase is to be run at the spring meeting of the Piping Rock Racing Association. For it Harry Payne Whitney offers a purse of $3,000 and a $500 cup for the owner winning the race twice. This liberal donation will make the race worth about $5,000 to the winner and will insure the best entries from cross-country division. The usual conditions will prevail, the entrance fee being $25, with $100 additional from starters. The distance of the race will be two miles and a half over the Piping Rock course.—Thoroughbred Record.

The successful revival of horse racing at New Orleans and Hot Springs has resulted in the formation of a Business Men's League in Memphis, Tenn., for the purpose of reopening the track which was closed by adverse legislation nearly ten years ago, states the Thoroughbred Record. The business interests of Memphis feel that horse racing will benefit their city in many ways. Although the laws of Tennessee prohibit bookmaking and pool selling it is believed that there can be no legal interference with individual betting and stake holders, which is the system successfully operated in Louisiana and Arkansas this winter.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

THE SEASON'S WINNING TWO-YEAR-OLDS.

Practically a round hundred races have been contested by two-year-olds during the months of January, February and March on the running tracks of the United States, forty sires being represented in the table of winners. It is of especial interest to note, in view of the curtailed breeding and racing operations here in the far west, that the leading winner to date of the juveniles is a product of Napa Stock Farm, Lobelia by Dr. Leggo—Opthale, while the Golden State has other representatives by such sires as Chantilly, Dr. Leggo, General Roberts, Rey Hindoo, Solitaire II., Tim Payne and Vorhees. The complete list is as follows under their sires, with the dams in parenthesis, the number of races and the amount of money won:

ABE FRANK: Marie Miller (Burnie Bunton)	2	$ 450
ALVESCOT: Our Netta (Ilus)	2	600
BALLOT: Sister Emblem (Ave Marie)	1	325
BASSETLAW: Chemung (Brynwood)	1	300
BEN TROVATO: May W. (Belle of Mayfield)	3	675
Ida Trovato (S. G. P.)	1	225
BRYN MAWR: Gretchen R. (Tchoupetoulas)	1	300
Ophelia W. (Star Lady)	2	650
Lucile P. (Annoyance)	1	325
CHANTILLY: Aunt Liz (Antioch)	2	625
CHARLES EDWARD: Crankie (Killiecrankie)	1	225
CHUCTANUNDA: Riposta (Canastota)	1	225
CYCLADES: May Bock (Optional)	1	325
Cycleford (Anna Woodford)	1	225
DICK FINNELL: Westy Hogan (Carrie Jones)	1	300
DR. LEGGO: Burbank (Como)	2	650
Lantana (The Peeress)	1	325
Lobelia (Othale)	4	1,225
FIRST CHIP: Waremore (Gracie Gould)	3	675
GEN. ROBERTS: D. Roberts (Playful)	1	225
HANDSEL: Mico Girl (Niko)	3	900
HARRIGAN: Good Note (Top Note)	1	225
Jay Thummel (Alice Commoner)	1	225
HASTINGS: Hasty Cora (Northumbria)	2	650
HELMET: Helmet's Daughter (Lady Ornama)	2	650
HURST PARK: Wand (Fairy Story)	1	225
JACK ATKIN: Owaga (Divonne)	2	600
Lazy Lou (Mrs. F. G. Hogan)	1	225
JIM BENSON: Rosellis (Pourquoi Pas)	1	225
LEONID: Lytle (Chickadee)	1	225
LUCK AND CHARITY: Sir Richard (Lukeramus)	1	225
LUKE WARD: Nasledovatti (Succeed)	1	225
MADDALO: Seminole (Icaria)	1	325
MARTA SANTA: Bessanta (Bessie Simpson)	3	675
Solveig (Reality)	3	900
Bedtime Stories (Dancing Wave)	3	900
Wat (Anne Conyers)	1	225
MEELICK: Sybil (Belle Rankin)	1	225
Night Cap (Flash of Night)	1	225
Dunga Din (Gay and Festive)	1	300
PEEP O'DAY: Geo. C. Love (Evaline)	1	400
Frank Coleman (My Gyps)	1	400
PLAUDIT: Hondo (Blue Jacket)	1	225
RAPID WATER: Manokin (Little Buttercup)	1	325
Juanita Frederick (Lady Hildreth)	5	1,125
REY HINDOO: Little Ford (Dod Anderson)	1	325
Rey Ennis (Katherine Ennis)	1	225
SALVATION: Elizabeth McNaughton (La Reine Empress)	1	225
Rhymer (La Poeta)	2	700
SOLITAIRE II: Savilla (Salvatrix)	1	300
STALWART: Dental (Dentifrice)	3	975
STAR SHOOT: Norumbega (Noreen)	2	600
Flight's Fancy (Mamie Worth)	1	300
Yellow Sally (Frances McClelland)	1	300
Wistful (Wilfull)	1	300
No Friend (Queen Marguerite)	1	325
Golden Bantam (Autumn Leaves)	1	225
THE COMMONER: Conowingo (Hawksora)	2	600
TIM PAYNE: Cashup (El Sonora)	1	225
TODDINGTON: Cadillac (Winnie G.)	2	650
Otisco (Mrs. Sewall)	1	325
Opportunity (Miss Oertel)	1	300
TONY BONERO: Meddling Miss (Busy Miss)	3	1,000
Sang Bleu (O. Co. Ee)	1	225
Maud Bacon (Oviedo)	1	300
Bon Otis (Cain Chaser)	1	300
VOORHEES: Cruces (Chiffie)	1	325

PARI MUTUALS IN CANADA.

The prime feature of thoroughbred racing in Canada just now is the extended adoption of the mutual system of wagering—beyond cavil, the fairest and most desirable method of speculation on the ponies. At first, there was not only the opposition of the bookmakers to overcome, but also the unwillingness of a large section of the race-going public to take kindly to the system. Bettors said they liked to know what they were going to get if they won before staking their money. But, in view of the evident fairness of the mutuals, this latter feeling is gradually giving way, and the system is growing more and more in favor. Before the second meeting of the year, it is more than probable that the totalizator, as it is termed in Australia, will have been installed by all Canadian racing associations. Hamilton has been the most determined opponent, but the announcement has been made that installation of the iron man will have taken place before next spring.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

GREAT TROUT SEASON EXPECTED IN SOUTH.

[By Fred W. Thatcher, Secretary California Trout Association.]

With the opening of the trout season less than a month away the fishermen are passing through the usual stage of anxiety as to what the coming season will offer. The May first opening will without doubt be of great benefit as it will give the streams a chance to assume their normal conditions and the fish will run about an inch longer, as this is the average growth of trout per month. No doubt the greatest factor to be considered for a successful season is the amount of fry planted, and the following is the distribution for 1915 in the six Southern counties:

Los Angeles county	192,000
Riverside county	16,000
Orange county	22,000
San Bernardina county	725,000
Santa Barbara county	194,000
Ventura county	271,000
Making a total of	1,520,500

This is the largest plant that we have ever had in Southern California and at first glance appears to be a very liberal allowance, still when compared with the total output of the State hatcheries for 1915, it falls quite short of the proportion that the South should have had. The State hatcheries in 1915 produced a total of 52,500,000 fry, including trout and salmon.

The above mentioned counties last year contributed nearly 25 per cent of all the fishing licenses sold in the State and received less than 1-34 of the results.

Of the fish planted in Southern California Bear Valley hatchery produced 653,000; this output consisted of 240,000 black spotted, trout and 413,000 rainbow trout, which were planted as follows: 240,000 black spotted trout and 240,000 rainbow trout in Big Bear Lake, and the balance of 173,000 rainbow were placed in streams adjacent to Bear Valley as follows: Bear and Deer creeks, Upper Santa Ana, Houston and Seeley creeks, Dark Canyon and Grey Meadows.

There were also 8,000 Eastern Brook, 22,000 Loch Leven, and 42,000 Rainbow trout furnished by the Sisson Hatchery and planted in San Bernardino county in the following streams: Lytle Creek, Mill Creek, Waterman Canyon, Falls Creek, Upper Santa Ana, Devil Canyon, Fish Creek, Forest Home stream, etc.

The San Gabriel River and its tributaries received 152,000 fry; these included 60,000 Steelhead, 30,000 Loch Leven and 652,000 Rainbow trout. Branches that were stocked were as follows: East, North and West Forks, Bear and Cattle Canyons, and Soldier's Creek.

Balance of the fish planted in Los Angeles county as follows: Rio Hondo, 6,000 steelhead. Topongo Canyon, 8,000 steelhead. Big Tejunga, 4,000 steelhead and 16,000 Rainbow. Santa Anita, 2,000 Rainbow. San Dimas Canyon, 4,000 Rainbow.

The Santa Ynez River in Santa Barbara county received 90,000 fry; Ventura River and its tributaries received over 150,000 steelhead; in the Sespee River 20,000 of the same kind were planted.

During 1915 25,000 Quinnat salmon were planted in the Santa Ynez River.

This is the second year for the salmon plant and the same number will be planted next year. This is in the nature of an experiment, and if it proves a success we should enjoy an entirely new brand of sport about one year from next October, as salmon return to their native waters in four years, and every enthusiastic fisherman is looking forward with much interest to this event. Sizing up the situation, the prospects seem very good for the best season of a decade, as the streams are clear and nearly down to their normal level, and if there are no more rains up to May 1st you can be assured of a full creel on the opening day.

BRIGHT SEASON FOR FLY-CASTERS.

Interest in fly-casting throughout the United States has been distinctly furthered as a result of the international tournament held here in connection with the Panama-Pacific International Exposition last year. This tournament was conducted under the auspices of the San Francisco Fly Casting Club and in it several records were broken.

Great interest is being taken in the forthcoming national tournament which will be held in Newark, and San Francisco will undoubtedly be well represented there.

Many powerful fly-casting clubs have recently affiliated with the National Association of Scientific Anglers, under whose auspices the tournament will be held. The Seattle Fly and Bait Club with 150 members and a half dozen large Eastern clubs with membership lists amounting to more than a thousand in the aggregate are among the accessions.

The local casters are holding their first tournament of the season at Stow Lake today and tomorrow.

WINS ANGLER'S CUP IN HAWAII.

"The finest winter fishing in the world is to be found in Hawaii," said R. B. Jump, noted Southern California nimrod, who brought back from the islands the first cup ever given to a fisherman. He came in on the Great Northern last Sunday, accompanied by his wife, after a stay of three months in the islands.

"There are twenty-five varieties of game fish in Hawaiian waters," he said, "and the people are just coming into sport fishing in earnest. The tuna, ulua and swordfish are the gamest of the large fish, but there are many others that put up big fights."

Jump is proud of the silver cup given by George P. Cooke, and he won it by landing a thirty and one-half pound kaku after a lively fight.

NEW SPOT FOR BLACK BASS.

Bob Murdock, one of the most enthusiastic and best posted anglers of California, is enjoying himself these days by taking fishing trips. He is spending a sort of vacation and makes frequent trips to near-by points. Last Sunday he ran up to Middle River in San Joaquin Valley and was successful in landing some good-sized striped bass. His companion was Louis Gotthelf ,who gained fame last season by landing a 52-pound bass near the Napa drawbridge. They had a great outing and report that striped bass are running well in Middle River.

Murdock is looking forward with pleasure to a trip to Bass Lake, about 58 miles out of Fresno, when the season for black bass comes in on May first. Friends have informed him that Bass Lake is an ideal spot for black bass sport. It is a large body of water right in the pines and parties that have fished there tell glowing tales of the catches made.

Charles Urfer had the good fortune to make a big haul of striped bass at Wingo recently. He hooked a 31-pounder, 30, 15 and 10 pounder. He was accompanied by his wife, who is an ardent angler and assisted in making the catches.

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Salmon at Santa Cruz.—Mr. Robertson, well-known as a trap shot and rodster, was a visitor in San Francisco during the week. He makes his home in Santa Cruz and called on Billy Price to let the boys know that salmon are now running off Santa Cruz. "Tell the bunch to come down and they will be assured of big catches," was the word that he passed.

HIGH RATES TO SHIP LIVE BIRDS.

At the request of the members of the Spokane county game commission, Congressman C. C. Dill has applied to the Interstate Commerce Commission at Washington, D. C., asking that an investigation of the express and railroad rates on live birds shipped from Eastern points to the Pacific Coast be made.

As an example of the exorbitant charges, Congressman Dill pointed out to the Interstate Commerce Commission that it cost $300 to ship 856 partridges from Yardley, Pa., to Spokane, last fall, the charge being one and one-half times the first-class rate.

"We took the matter of live bird shipment up with Congressman Dill before he went to Washington," said Al Wieseman, a member of the Spokane county game commission. "The shipment of birds takes up no more room than ordinary goods for which a lower rate is charged, and we find that the birds are given little, if any, attention along the route. We don't feel that we should be charged the exorbitant rate, and hope for a change."

H. C. GOLCHER BACK IN BUSINESS.

Sportsmen will be interested and pleased to learn that H. C. Golcher is going back into business again. He will be at the old stand, 508 Market street, San Francisco, with a general sporting goods store. Workmen have been busy for three weeks past fitting up a place that will be modern and up-to-date in all respects. A general line of fishing, hunting and sporting goods of every description will be carried. The opening will take place one day this coming week.

For years Mr. Golcher was associated with his late brother in the sporting goods business and established a reputation for integrity and thoroughness. He is a true sportsman himself, being prominent with the rod and gun, on the golf links and in many other sporting competitions.

The Breeder and Sportsman takes pleasure in extending a welcome to Mr. Golcher and his associates and wishes them much success in the enterprise.

The San Francisco Striped Bass Club held its monthly meeting on Wednesday night. There were interesting talks of big catches and the like and everyone had a good time.

TROUT PLENTIFUL IN MARIN COUNTY.

If, as many a person has often observed, anticipation is half the pleasure of pleasure, a party of anglers who visited Marin county last Sunday had a great day's sport. The party went to Camp Taylor Saturday night to look over the Paper Mill Creek, one of the favorite trout streams of the north bay county.

Water conditions at the present time are ideal. The heavy flow of water that marked the opening of the trout season a year ago is not noticeable now. The stream is just low enough to insure good fishing. Below the dam at Camp Taylor several good sized trout were seen, and during the early hours of the morning many were observed breaking water in the stretches of the creek between that point and the pool at Taylorville, below the old paper mill.

The stream is exceptionally clear for this time of the year, and only a heavy fall of rain between now and the opening of the 1916 season on May 1st could possibly interfere with good fishing. A new and large pool has been formed beneath the bridge at Camp Taylor, which collapsed last year, and, though few small fish were seen, it is certain that many trout of no mean size lurk in the deep shadows of the hole.

All in all, it looks as though the angler who was disappointed because the season did not open this year, as in the past, on the first day of April, will be more than amply repaid for his added month of waiting and anticipating. On May 1st, barring the possibility of storm, every stream in Marin county should be at its best for trout fishing.

OFF TO STUDY TUNA FISHING.

With a view to making a study of the tuna-fishing industry and the newly inaugurated kelp-harvesting activity, Ernest Schaeffle, secretary of the State Fish and Game Commission, and N. B. Schofield, in charge of the commercial fisheries bureau of the Commission, have left for a visit to points in the south. San Pedro, Los Angeles and San Diego will be among the places visited.

The tuna fishing industry is one of the State's latest acquisitions, but has already assumed great proportions. It is estimated that this season's catch will total $2,500,000 wholesale, all of which is reported contracted for already. The industry has now exceeded the salmon industry by more than two and a half times.

In the matter of the harvesting of kelp, the representatives of the Commission are especially interested in the repressive measures said to have been adopted by several of the southern coast counties on the grounds that the harvesting of kelp is injurious to the kelp beds, fish beds and to the beaches. The Commission believes that the matter of regulation of kelp harvesting is entirely within the powers of the State and is not a county issue.

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River Ordered Closed.—The Fish Commission of Columbia county, Washington, has ordered the closing of five forks of the two principal streams of the county during the fishing season this year. Fish that are large enough to be lawfully retained by fishermen do not remain in these streams, so most of those caught there have to be thrown back, anyway, and it has been deemed advisable to close them altogether to more fully protect the young fish.

These streams are to be the planting grounds of the fish received from the State Fish Commission this year, and this new restriction will insure their growth to maturity. Rearing ponds are to be constructed in the city park this year.

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Hatchery at Canyon Dam.—A fish hatchery has been established at Canyon Dam by the State with James H. Vogt as Superintendent and A. E. Raycroft as chief assistant.

The old commissary building, used during the construction of the dam, has been fitted up for temporary headquarters and the catching and stripping of the trout for spawn is being carried on daily.

A fish ladder is being placed in position, making it possible for trout to get into Lake Almanor from below the dam. Thousands of trout can be seen in the stream below the dam and near the spillway.

The permanent location of the hatchery has not yet been absolutely determined but there are several ideal spots for such an industry between the dam and Chester, in the upper end of the Big Meadows.

It is declared that Lake Almanor and its tributaries form the finest fishing grounds in the State.

The road from Greenville to the Nevis Dam will be open for autos by May first.

MAY ABANDON GOOSE STEW.

Grass Valley (Nevada Co.), April 11.—There is a bare possibility that the annual camp stew of the Grass Valley Sportsmen's Club may be dropped from the social calendar this year.

For forty years these stews have been held every July, but a change in the game laws makes it impossible to hold the stew this year until September. The club met last week to discuss the matter, but no definite decision was arrived at.

New officers were elected as follows: President, Henry Walker; vice-president, J. T. Blight; secretary, J. J. Phillips; treasurer, C. M. Peck; trustees, A. B. Champion, Dr. I. W. Hays and E. C. Morgan.

Sportsmen's Row

Clarence H. Haight is making arrangements to make a tour of Nevada to see how the trap-shooting sport is booming in the Sage State. The secretary of the California-Nevada Association will endeavor to stir up interest in the State shoot to be held at San Jose next month.

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Frank Blum can be seen working every Saturday and Sunday scoring for the Golden Gate boys. Keep it up, Frank.

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Pete Ashcroft has more patience than a dog trainer. Please keep away from the shell room and let Pete use his own judgment.

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Ned Landry of the Family Club is another shooter that N. A. Howard will have a job to tuck away.

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M. S. Goodman, shooting with the Oakland Elks, shows that he has the ability. Now for the practice.

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W. J. Terry, from south of the Mason and Dixon line, is making his mark in the ranks of local blue rock busters. He is a newcomer who shows real ability in sighting the birds.

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It is quite possible that Canada will soon have a law for the protection of migratory waterfowl similar to the Weeks-McLean law in this country, as Dr. C. Gordon Hewitt of Ottawa, Canada, was recently in Washington, D. C., inquiring into the Federal Migratory Bird Law and holding conferences with the head of the administrative division of the Department of Agriculture. Should Canada enact a law similar to the Weeks-McLean law and the Supreme Court of the United States declare that law constitutional, there will be but few wildfowl killed in the spring of the year, and as a result there should be very many more birds in the fall.

W. C. ("Bill") Bristol is just as enthusiastic over his shooting with his 20-gauge gun as the shooter who uses the 12-gauge. "Bill," in the enthusiasm part, has a little shade over the other fellow, and as a result of his boosting he has two match shoots on his hands, the first against Walter Honeyman and the second against Ed Mathews. Last Sunday "Bill" trimmed Ed Morris.

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Ex-President Henry Everding of the Portland Gun Club is still at the Mineral Springs, but it is expected that he will return in the near future.

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The Golden Gate Gun Club is out with the program for the merchandise shoot to be held in Alameda on April 23rd. Over seventy prizes are on the list and members, friends and their families will get out to the traps to secure at least one or more trophies apiece. The trophies will be awarded by the grab-bag system.

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Do you remember the scores you and your friends made at the last monthly shoot? Then get the Breeder and Suortsman. This is the only publication on the Pacific Coast that publishes the scores and all the news of rod, kennel and gun every week. You are invited to send in scores and items pertaining to sporting events of all kinds.

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Our friend Captain A. W. duBray has started on his annual tour. Good luck and a quick return, Capt.

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President Miller of the Oakland Elks is stirring up interest in the ranks of the new club. He wants them to be fit and ready to trim their Alameda brothers.

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Judging from the interest H. P. Martine is taking in the shooting game the Golden Gate Club will have to form a championship class pretty soon.

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A. B. Thorning of the Alameda Elks and W. A. Plummer are striving hard for high honors. They are making progress, too.

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A. E. Stoneberger should develop into some shot before many months roll by. He has been in the game only a year and at present is right on top.

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Frank Moran, the aspirant for heavyweight honors, graced the platform of the Saratoga Gun Club after the big fight. Moran trains at Saratoga and while there took quite a fancy to trap shooting. He will include the "sport alluring" in his training from now on.

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C. J. Schilling is planning to make a special load for the 20-gauge gun. He will probably have the loads ready soon and he will give them a tryout at the traps.

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Fred M. Stephenson has lately registered Elchico, a young Llewellin setter by Paliacho ex La Besita. Paliacho was runner-up in the 1914 National Championship, while La Besita won last year. If there be anything in breeding on past performance, this one should be a wonder.

Sportsmen are pleased to welcome Harry C. Golcher back into business. He is popular in all branches of sporting competitions. We wish him success:

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The California Anglers' Association has what promises to be an enjoyable outing scheduled at Moss Beach tomorrow. It will be a basket picnic and prizes will be awarded for the best catches made. On May 30th a trip is scheduled to Feather River Canyon and members and their friends are invited to make reservations at the club rooms, 935 Market street, San Francisco. President F. Spence has outlined a number of outings for this summer to entertain the members.

ACTIVITY IN KENNEL CIRCLES.

Entries for the Golden Gate Kennel Club dog show to be held at Dreamland Rink, April 27, 28 and 29, closed today, April 15th. More than five hundred valuable dogs have been entered for the show. Walter H. Reeves, who will judge all breeds, will arrive here from Chicago this week. Mrs. Anita M. Baldwin, daughter of the late E. J. "Lucky" Baldwin, noted turfman, will have her entire kennel of crack terriers and bulldogs on exhibition. Mrs. E. F. Brown of Redwood City, owner of the Browndale collie kennels, will have twenty beautiful callies on exhibition.

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J. S. McCormick has entered his brace of Irish terriers, Paddy Whack and Biddy Whack, for the coming show.

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Jack Bradshaw is expected to arrive home from Boston and New York this week. Bradshaw is bringing with him a string of terriers and bulldogs.

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B. I. Bloch, the local French bulldog fancier, will show his noted little "Frenchie," Vendome Buno, at the Golden Gate show.

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Champion High Gear, one of the best wire-haired fox terriers ever imported to the Pacific Coast, will be shown by his owner, Walter W. Stettheimer, of Atherton, Cal., at the Golden Gate show.

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Mrs. C. Frederick Kohl and Mrs. Francis Carolan will exhibit their imported pack of Beagle hounds at the spring circuit of shows consisting of Golden Gate, San Mateo, Mill Valley and Oakland.

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Louis Meyer, one of San Francisco's best known Airedale breeders, reports to the Kennel Department that he will have several very fine Airedale terriers (home breds) on exhibition at the Golden Gate show.

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Mrs. C. J. Lindgren, of Burlingame, Cal., will show her imported French poodle dog along with several other varities of toy dogs at the San Mateo show to be held this summer.

St. Helens Club.—Two prominent members of the Portland Gun Club were visitors at the St. Helens Gun Club grounds on April 9. A. W. Strowger, president of the Portland organization, registered 86 per cent, while his clubmate, E. H. Keller, was high gun, with 88 per cent. Ten shooters were out trying the new traps. Following are the scores made:

E. H. Keller 88, A. W. Strowger 86, C. D. Sutherland 80, B. Devers 64, E. E. Lewis 62, E. Lenndgren 58, C. E. Stevens 58, H. Esterbrook 52, A. J. Kelly 64, and J. T. Tabor 36.

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Utah State Association.—Although a disappointment from the standpoint of attendance, the second registered tournament of the Utah State Sportsmen's Association, which was held under the auspices of the Cache Junction Gun Club on April 7th, was in every other respect one of the best shoots ever held in the State.

Despite the ideal shooting conditions, it seemed to be an off day for the boys, and D. N. Hood was about the only one who shot true to form. Breaking 145 out of 150, he easily won high general average, finishing five targets to the good over C. H. Reilly, Jr., who in turn had little trouble in topping the amateur list. The following are the scores for the day's program:

At 150 targets—Hood* 145, Stoney 123, Smith 132, Shook 100, Winchell 113, McGanney* 116, Bain 118, Browning 123, Siddoway 134, Anderson* 132, Kline 130, Reilley 140, Nelson 134, Borg 83. (*Professionals.)

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Vernon Club.—Firing in the hottest weather experienced this season, twenty-seven shooters lined up for competition at distance handicap at 50 targets at the Vernon Gun Club Sunday. The first leg was taken by Stanton A. Bruner with the good score of 47x50 made from twenty yards.

In addition to the Cline handicap the initial competitions for the William H. Hoegee trophy, the four silver loving cups and the 20-gauge cup, were held. These three contests will be held regularly every Sunday from now until July. The six high scores will win. The cups are in four classes of A. B. C and D.

The best score hung up in the Hoegee handicap was made by Dr. L. M. Packard with 48 shattered clays out of the 50. He also fired from 20 yards.

The keenest kind of competition was let loose in the 20-gauge shoot for the trophy cup, several of the cracks breaking as many as 22 out of 25.

The cup in class A was annexed by Packard with his 48x50 score and in the B., Bigg Dough, the club secretary, took away all honors with 43x50. Dierdoff was winner in C and Mrs. C. E. Groat, the champion woman shot of the south, in D.

Following are the scores in all events:

George T. Cline handicap—

Shooter.	Hdcp.	Targ.	Hits
Manderville	16	50	44
Van Nest	16	50	39
Peterson	17	50	38
Dierdoff	17	50	46
A. W. Bruner	16	50	42
Harry Hoyt	17	50	40
C. E. Groat	18	50	45
Mrs. C. E. Groat	16	50	45
C. W. Dougherty	17	50	41
Dr. Packard	20	50	44
William Pugh	18	50	45
Bob Bole	16	50	40
W. H. Wilshire	17	50	44
O. Evans	18	50	37
S. A. Bruner	20	50	47

W. H. Hoegee handicap—

Shooter.	Hdcp.	Targ.	Hits
Manderville	16	50	43
Van Nest	16	50	40
Peterson	17	50	45
Dierdoff	17	50	44
A. W. Bruner	16	50	41
Harry Hoyt	17	50	41
C. E. Groat	18	50	41
Mrs. Groat	16	50	44
C. W. Dougherty	17	50	42
Dr. Packard	20	50	48
William Pugh	18	50	43
Bob Bole	16	50	39
Wilshire	17	50	43
O. Evans	18	50	37
S. A. Bruner	20	50	47
White	18	50	43

Vernon Gun Club 20-gauge trophy at 25 birds, 16 yards—

Manderville 22, Peterson 21, Hedderly 22, Wilshire 22, C. W. Fisk 21.

Open event with 12-gauges at 16 yards—

Manderville 40x50, Peterson 22x25, Hedderly 50x60, A. W. Bruner 19x25, C. E. Groat 18x25, Carmon 16 25, McKeey 47x75, William Pugh 22x25, N. W. Smith 40x50, D. Llewellyn 47x50, B. J. Dougherty 37x50, Bole 40x50, C. W. Fisk 56x75, O. Evans 17x25, Bates 30x50, S. A. Bruner 21x25, Brawman 23x25, Sech 12x25, Mrs. Manderville 14x25.

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Portland Club.—The biggest weekly shoot attendance in the history of the Portland Gun Club was celebrated Sunday, April 2nd, during the second annual barbecue and merchandise shoot. President A. W. Strowger shook hands with more than fifty nimrods and some great scores were recorded.

Frank Troeh, of Vancouver, Wash., broke 100 straight, while James W. Seavey, who has been breaking the mud saucers with uncanny accuracy of late, dropped one bird in his first 20 then went straight, giving him a final average of 99 out of 100.

For third honors W. A. Hillis broke 98 per cent. The race between the women shooters in the handicap event furnished as pretty a match as has been seen in many days at the Everding Park traps near Jenna Station. Mrs. E. H. Keller, Mrs. James Reid, Miss Gladys Reid, Mrs. E. L. Matthews and Mrs. C. J. Schilling were the five to face the trap. A tie between Mrs. Reid and Mrs. Schilling occurred for the hand-painted china piece. The shoot-off for the tie brought forth considerable "nerve" from each Diana and not until nine successive shoot-off events had been completed did Mrs. Reid win.

The Portland men defeated the Spokane, Wash., Gun Club representatives in the telegraph contest, 121 to 107. Six members of the club scored one point on the Imperial Hotel diamond medal as follows: Al Seguin, J. W. Seavey, Miss Gladys Reid, A. W. Strowger, A. R. Parrott and A. L. Zichrison.

In the beginners' squad for women only, six entered the competition. Those shooting for the first time were Miss Regina Bitts, Mrs. H. W. MacLean, Mrs. A. W. Strowger, Mrs. George Bertz, Mrs. J. H. Joyce and Miss H. Koppe. Miss Bitts and Mrs. MacLean tied for first honors and in the shoot-off Miss Bitts won. Following are the scores at 100 targets:—

F. Troeh 100, J. W. Seavey 99, W. A. Hillis 98, F. Duncan 96, A. Parrott 95, A. S. Keeler 94, Charles Leith 94, A. Seguin 93, Mrs. C. J. Schilling 91, Abner Blair 90, E. G. Hawman 90, A. H. Keller 90, C. Sparks 89, Dr. O. D. Thornton 87, E. Bateman 85, H. Thielman 83, H. A. Pollock 83, A. W. Strowger 82, Joseph Stutt 81, Miss Gladys Reid 80, A. L. Zachrison 79, J. B. Hampton 77, F. O. Joy 77, C. B. Caldwell 76, A. I. Moulton 76, J. Madden 72, A. C. Stevens 72, A. Woelm 71, George Bertz 69, R. Thompson 67, J. S. Crane 67, B. E. Leonard 66, J. T. Murphy 65, W. C. Bristol (20-gauge) 64, B. Trenkman (20-gauge) 61, C. C. Kelly 64, Phil Metchan 14, J. H. Joyce 3, K. K. Kubli 29, J. S. Harkins (20-gauge) 37, R. C. Oglesby 48, P. C. Wood 22, J. V. Hough 35, J. H. Klosterman 43, H. H. Ott 50, Dr. Earl Henton 15, Dr. Humberstone 15, Dr. L. L. Langley 8, W. Leith 13, C. J. Schilling* 93, Jas. Reid* 92, P. J. Holohan* 92, E. B. Van Arnum* 35,

*Professional.

Merchandise winners:—Class A—F. M. Troeh first, J. W. Seavey second. Class B—A. Seguin first, Mrs. C. J. Schilling second. Class C—E. Bateman first, H. Thielman and H. A. Pollock tied for second. Class D—J. B. Hampton and J. O. Joy tied for first, A. I. Houlton and C. B. Cadwell tied for second. Class E—George Bertz first, R. Thompson and J. S. Crane tied for second.

Team shoot with Spokane Gun Club—

Portland—J. W. Seavy 25, W. A. Hillis 25, E. S. Keeler 24, Charles Leith 24, F. Duncan 23; total, 121. Spokane—Blosser 24, March 21, Gregory 21, Crommelin 21, Mathews 20; total, 107.

Trap-Shooters Now In Full Swing

COAST CLUBS ARE BUSY STAGING WEEKLY TOURNAMENTS

Alameda Elks Club.—The Elks are booming things along in the trap-shooting game around the bay. The Alameda Elks' Club held its second shoot on Sunday and it was attended with much success. Fifty gunners were out and the weather was ideal for good scores and a big time.

The Alameda Club, which took the lead in breaking into the sport alluring, realizes it will have to step right along in expectation of challenges. It is reported that the Richmond and San Jose Elks have organized blue-rock clubs and with Oakland already in the field the prospects are that some match contests will soon be staged.

W. J. Terry was high amateur on Sunday. He missed only one target out of 50. Barney Worthen was close behind with 48 and in practice he ran 102 straight. A majority of the boys who are recruits at the game are showing steady improvement and with a couple more events they will likely be right up with the leaders.

Among the professionals, Dick Reed was there with his old consistency to be high gun. He broke 49 out of 50. Al Cook was also in a happy mood to get 46. The scores were:—

Shooter.	10	10	15	15	Total
Jacobsen	8	6	14	8	36
Skinner	7	8	11	14	40
Nelson	8	8	12	15	43
Bradley	2	6	9	8	25
Terry	9	10	15	15	49
Haight*	8	7	13	13	41
Cook*	9	10	15	12	46
Reed*	10	10	15	14	49
Ellis*	7	7	15	10	37
Price	10	7	13	13	43
Haskins	7	5	7	7	26
Durney	5	6	9	10	30
Hallywood	4	6	9	8	27
Sunkel	2	3	8	9	22
Thorning	9	9	9	10	37
Boyd	7	7	13	13	40
Merrill	8	10	15	11	44
Stelling	9	8	14	15	46
Martine	8	5	8	11	32
Garrett	10	9	13	11	43
Middleton*	8	5	12	10	35
Walker	5	4	10	6	25
Goodman	6	3	5	12	26
Schroeder	6	5	9	11	35
Gaskill	5	3	7	8	23
Croll	5	5	10	12	32
Williams	6	7	14	11	38
Ludemann	7	8	11	10	36
Meineke	7	8	12	13	40
Balsford	4	2	7	8	21
Craig	5	5	12	5	27
Koch	7	10	13	10	40
Beetham	7	6	12	10	35
Blum	8	6	9	11	34
Rossi	8	7	10	14	39
Jones*	6	9	12	13	40
Murphy	8	7	12	13	40
Carmen	8	8	13	13	42
Calsu	3	3	9	..	16
Worthen	10	10	14	14	48
Spann	3	5	6	4	18
Valleau	5	6	13	9	33
Noonan	8	8	10	9	35
Hein	4	8	12	11	35
Billyer	5	5	6	10	26
Hayden	7	8	12	7	34
Rudolph	7	8	11	12	38
Moore	1	x	9	12	22
Gunning	..	..	..	2	2
McDowell	..	..	..	9	9

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Tacoma Club.—The Tacoma Gun Club held its regular shoot at Manitou on April 2, with a small attendance on account of the trout-fishing season just opening. Most of the members went fishing.

A .Riehl won the Majestic Cafe trophy after a shoot-off with L. S. Mellinger.

J. A. Holmes won the Mellinger medal after a shoot-off with F. L. Baker.

L. S. Mellinger and J. A. Dague were a tie for high average on the Diamond stickpin.

F. L. Baker won the White Flyer fob.

There were no spoons won as no one was able to break 25 straight.

The following scores were made on the Majestic Cafe trophy, out of 100 birds:—

	Broke.	Hdcp.	T'tl.
A. Riehl	89	5	94
J. Cooper	85	6	91
Dague	84	3	87
Baker	84	6	90
Young	84	8	92
L. Riehl	83	6	89
Holmes	77	16	93
Mellinger	76	18	94
Griffin	82	7	89

The following scores were made in the shoot for the Mellinger gold medal:—

	Broke.	Hdcp.	T'tl.
Baker	43	7	50
Holmes	39	11	50
Mellinger	38	11	49
J. Cooper	43	6	49
Griffin	45	3	48
Dague	42	5	47
A. Riehl	45	1	46
Young	42	4	46
L. Riehl	41	5	46

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Seattle Association.—The streams and lakes did not claim all the sportsmen April 2nd, as many of the "bugs" showed up at the traps and left Mr. Fish to be caught later on in the season. Harbor Island grounds of the Seattle Trapshooters' Association presented itself in spick and span order to over six squads of clay pigeon shooters.

Hugh Fleming shot the best amateur score, being high in both the regular and special programs. Forty-seven out of fifty and ninety-five out of 100 were his scores. L. H. Reid scored high professional, making forty-nine out of his fifty.

C. E. McKelvey and I. Fisher accepted the challenge of Les Reid and Hugh Fleming for a 50-target match which they shot off. The results showed the treats were on Reid and Fleming.

H. R. Smith, of Ephrata, Wash., visited and shot with the club. T. J. Holdridge, formerly of Kansas City but now living in Seattle, was on the grounds for the first time and although he had not shot for some time was up in the running. F. H. White surprised the bunch by coming out. He showed up too late for the regular program, but killed twenty-two out of the regular twenty-five he shot at.

Several new faces appeared in the squads, among whom were G. A. Cannuck, J. Hulbert, G. D. Horst, C. Ward, J. N. Robbins and E. C. Fellows. M. C. Lordshot with the club for the first time as a member.

The scores—50 targets:—

C. E. McKelvey 41, Tom Wilkes 38, J. H. Hopkins 38, F. Landwehr 44, Hugh Fleming 47, R. Kinzer 41, A. J. Gerrard 41, G. A. Cannuck 42, M. James 34, K. S. Lapp 32, A. Drake 39, J. Hulbert 37, G. D. Horst 19, L. H. Reid* 49, T. J. Holdridge 41, C. W. Bandy 37, G. H. Young 41, C. C. Ward 37, C. R. Sydman 37, H. R. Smith 44, I. Fisher* 46, C. Ward 24, W. B. Taft 43, F. Call 41, V. G. Kesner 37, George Hambright* 43, J. N. Robbins 7, M. C. Lard 22, J. H. Wilman 36.

100 targets:—C. E. McKelvey 88, Tom Wilkes 85, J. H. Hopkins 84, F. Landwehr 86, H. Fleming 95, R. Kinzer 85, A. J. Gerrard 88, L. H. Reid* 95, T. J. Holdridge 77, C. W. Bandy 78, I. Fisher* 95, W. B. Taft 84, George Hambright* 86. (*Professionals.)

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Green Lake Club.—The ideal weather April 2nd brought out a crowd of forty-seven shooters at the regular weekly meet of the Green Lake Club, including eleven of the fair sex, who took part in a special 15-target event.

Mrs. G. A. Conklin proved to be the best target smasher among the ladies, taking the first prize with 11 out of 15. The special trophy donated to the club by Mrs. Mary Ruppe for the lady making the longest straight run also fell into the hands of Mrs. Conklin with a straight run of nine. Mrs. L. S. Barnes and Mrs. E. Williamson tied for the second prize with seven, and in the shoot-off Mrs. Williamson came out one target to the good.

F. A. Richter of Minneapolis was a visitor at the Green Lake traps and incidentally carried off the high honors for the day with 47 out of 50. C. B. Fitzgerald was second with 46. Mr. Richter, who is making a tour of the Pacific Coast, broke his targets the previous Sunday over the traps of the Los Angeles club. Hhe pronounced the Green Lake grounds one of the best on the Coast.

In the first handicap for the City Hall trophy C. B. Fitzgerald came out in the lead, with W. H. Carsten, A. L. Hall, L. S. Barnes and E. R. Bacon right behind him.

Scores in the ladies' event:—

Mrs. G. A. Conklin 11, Mrs. L. S. Barnes 7, Mrs. E. Williamson 7, Mrs. G. D. Horst 5, Miss B. Mikkelsen 5, Mrs. R. V. Mills 4, Mrs. M. A. Winningham 3, Mrs. J. L. Millett 2, Mrs. W. C. Smith 1, Mrs. H. Muhl 0, Mrs. J. F. McNamara 0.

Scores in the regular events, 50 targets:—

F. A. Richter 47, C. B. Fitzgerald 46, L. S. Barnes 45, W. H. Carsten 45, George Garrison* 45, W. C. Smith 43, Dr. King 42, A. L. Hall 41, George Edling 40, A. Marvin 40, J. W. Geltz 39, G. A. Conklin 38, Dell Ingalls 36, E. R. Bacon 35, E. K. Van Vleck 34, Dr. A. B. Kidd 34, Dr. M. A. Winningham 34, Dr. J. F. Hill 33, W. M. Elliott 33, L. E. Woods 33, S. E. Bacon 31, Dr. R. V. Mills 30, M. A. Rosenfield 29, Dr. J. T. Millett 29, Dr. S .W. Case 28, H. E. Gleason 26, Fred Pries 24, D. Pease 23, Dr. S. W. Griffin 22, R. W. Brehm 15, Harry Muhl 17, V. L. Bauman 17, D. G. Huber 14, C. A. Van Alstyne 6, A. J. Copeland 6, A. E. Hall 4. (*Professional.)

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Los Angeles Club.—F. H. Nichols won the diamond stick pin Sunday in the Los Angeles Gun Club's regular weekly shoot at its new grounds near Eastlake Park. His score was 49x50. Nichols had things very much to himself in the event, as there was only one 48x50 and one 47x50 turned in. Over fifty shooters took part in the day's sport. The complete scores follow:

Shooter—	16 yds.	Hdcp. yds.	Hdcp. event.
F. H. Nichols	46x50	18	49x50
F. H. Mellus	47x50	22	46x50
H. Pfirrmann	48x50	22	41x50
J. F. Dodds	49x50	20	45x50
C. Vories	43x50	20	39x50
S. R. Smith	44x50	20	41x50
H. C. Cline	42x50	17	37x50
George Melford	44x50	16	41x50
C. D. Hagerman	47x50	17	47x50
E. C. Crossman	43x50	16	46x50
H. E. Sargent	48x50	17	46x50
C. F. Nichols	45x50	18	45x50
L. R. Spafford	29x50	..	.....
Mrs. H. Pfirrmann	31x50	16	37x50
V. A. Rossbach	36x50	16	41x50
H. Poston	45x50	20	48x50
C. W. Clement	44x50	18	39x50
H. D. Blanchard	48x50	19	40x50
H. Gibbs	40x50	..	.....
J. Griffith	41x50	..	.....
S. Street	38x50	..	.....
H. C. Harvey	37x50	..	.....
A. Van Dendaek	27x50	..	.....
C. L. Tippitt	22x50	..	.....
R. S. Heaton	18x50	..	.....
J Brown	19x50	..	.....
H. M. Nelson	43x50	..	.....
E. G. Kennedy	36x50	..	.....
N. Knauf	36x50	..	.....
V. Hodges	30x50	..	.....
L. H. Johnson	32x50	..	.....
Dr. Bowen	32x50	..	.....
E. Mueller	33x50	..	.....
G. Kays	29x50	..	.....
C. Sultner	37x50	..	.....
J. C. Cline	37x50	..	.....
H. Adams	17x25	..	.....
J. Steel	39x50	..	.....
Mrs. V. Hodges	5x25	..	.....
M. Mallard	43x50	..	.....
F. H. Teeple, Sr.	23x25	..	.....
F. H. Teeple, Jr.	44x50	..	.....
M. Crowe	55x100	..	.....
B. G. Adams	83x100	..	.....
G. L. Becker	98x100	..	.....
A. Jones	20x50	..	.....
G. L. Pulley	22x25	..	.....
S. C. Ferguson	15x25	..	.....
M. Nevin	8x25	..	.....
J. Meyers	5x25	..	.....

City Employes' Event—E. E. Ekdale, 19x25.

20-gauge Event—E. C. Crossman, 23x25.

Professional Event—H. Poston 25x25, C. W. Clement 23x25.

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Astoria Club.—With 257 members, the Astoria Rod and Gun Club is going to branch out into one of the best trap shooting clubs in the state of Oregon. This is the opinion of Jim Bull, a Portland professional, who visited Astoria last week. Bull stated that the Astoria sportsmen are very enthusiastic over the bluerock game and they will install an automatic trap in the near future. Dr. C. V. Brown is president of the Astoria club and is an all-round sportsman.

Last Wednesday 28 members of the club participated in a shoot in which a hand trap was used. The following scores were registered: Halderman 65, Corbett 40, Grant 40, Hope 40, B. Van Dusen 40, Burlingame 80, Judd 60, A. Van Dusen 40, Gouch 60, Lutke 60, Spexarth 60, Haye 47, McLinn 40, Yount 60, Harrison 80, Lancaster 30, Mumphrey 50, Reed 40, Olson 80, McLean 40, Brown 77, Madison 80, Ford 80, Waetus 40, Lovell 83 and Leahy 40.

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Martinez Club.—The first field match of the Martinez Gun Club was held at the Fred K. Burnham ranch last Sunday and the handling of the guns by the local shots was mid-season style from A to Z. There was a good attendance present and Fred K. Burnham showed that he is better than ever. The popular sportsman got a leg on the cup by "killing" fifty straight clay birds. Burnham's work was classy, to say the least. He knocked every bird that was sent out of the traps.

William Sanborn and Dr. E. W. Merrithew also showed good form and got 48 out of each possible 50. J. J. Hauser, H. Veale and Fred K. Burnham each have a leg on the silver loving cup trophy. The score was as follows:

Harold Havens 43, Lee Durham 47, Wm. Sanborn 48, Dr. E. W. Merrithew 48, J. J. Hauser 36, C. Glass 40, Judge Hough 30, F. K. Burnham 50.

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We met Walter Nagle, the former Los Angeles pitcher, out at the ball park the other day. Walter is now secretary of the Santa Rosa Chamber of Commerce, and is interested in getting a blue rock club started. He declared that the sport would be booming now but that there had been some delay in finding suitable grounds.

COMING REGISTERED TOURNAMENTS.

California.

Fresno, April 29—Fresno Blue Rock Club, C. B. Jackson, Secretary.

Los Angeles, May 1, 2—Los Angeles Club, Fred H. Teeple, Secretary.

Los Angeles, May 8, 9.—Vernon Gun Club, William Pugh, Manager.

Alameda, May 20—Golden Gate Club, Clarence A. Haight, Secretary.

San Jose, May 28, 29, 30—California-Nevada Association Tournament, San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

Eureka, July 4—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President.

Oregon.

Portland, June 5, 6, 7—Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, Frank Templeton, Secretary.

Portland, Sept. 12, 13, 14—Pacific Coast Handicap.

Washington.

Chehalis, May 30—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, Gus T. Thacker, President.

Seattle, July 4—"Old Policy," Green Lake Gun Club, W. C. Smith, Secretary

Tacoma, July 18, 19, 20, 21—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary.

HUNTING LAWS DEFINED.

Deer hunting was permitted in thirty-six states in 1915. Below is given the number of deer allowed each hunter during a season: In Alaska the limit is three, and in the eastern half of Maine and the southern half of New Hampshire one a season; in Alabama, Mississippi and Missouri the limit is one a day, and in Louisiana, two; in North Carolina limits are provided in a few counties only. No limits are provided in Kentucky or Virginia. The law of New Mexico requires that deer killed must have horns; Utah, that the horns must be visible above the head; Pennsylvania, that the horns must be two inches above the hair; New York and Vermont, that the horns must be at least three inches long, and in West Virginia that the horns must be four inches long. In California, does and spike bucks, and in Wisconsin bucks in the velvet, or in the red, blue or spotted coat, as well as does, are protected. In Louisiana, does are protected in the first month of the open season as fixed by the Conservation Commission.

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Limits On Quail.—Beginning on the west coast of the United States, the states which have bag limits on quail and the number of birds that may be lawfully killed in a day during the open season are as follows: Washington 10, Southwest Oregon 10 in seven consecutive days, California 10 and 15, Nevada 20, Idaho 18, Arizona 25, New Mexico 20, some parts of Utah 15, Nebraska 10, Oklahoma 10, Texas 15, Minnesota 10, Iowa 15, Missouri 10, Arkansas 15, Louisiana 15, Illinois 12, Mississippi 20, Indiana 15, Tennessee 20, Alabama 25, Georgia 25, Florida 20, South Carolina 25, West Virginia 12, Pennsylvania 8, Maryland 15, Delaware 12, New Jersey 10, Connecticut 5, Massachusetts 4, New Hampshire 5, and Vermont 4. No bag limit is provided in Kentucky, Rhode Island and Virginia. Parties who expect to hunt quail in states where there is a bag limit should cut this item out and paste it in their scrapbook, as it will prove of value to them and enable them to keep within the law.

FLY-CASTING AT LOS ANGELES.

Oscar Lane and Earl Kennedy divided honors in the monthly fly and bait casting tournament of the Southern California Rod and Reel Club which was pulled off before a large and enthusiastic crowd of spectators at Eastlake Park on Sunday.

Mr. Lane, with a score of 99 per cent in the quarter ounce accuracy event, and a cast of 168 feet in the distance heave with the same weight, easily ranked first among the bait casters, while Mr. Kennedy, who won three of the fly-casting events and tied with Jack Low for the third, demonstrated that he was rapidly rounding into championship form, and this with less than a year's experience.

Si Perkins was unfortunate, his line parting at the crucial moment several times, and Sherman Baker won the two and one-half ounce distance event with the poor average of 193.8 feet.

Joe Welch showed improved form, following Kennedy's 99 8-15 per cent in the dry fly accuracy event with a score of 99 7-15 per cent.

Jack Low made a mark of 85 feet in the light tackle distance event which shows that he is improving rapidly in the game.

The summaries are as follows:

Light Tackle Accuracy Fly, per cent—E. J. Kennedy, 99 1-15, J. J. Lowe 98 12-15, C. Van Horne 98 11-15, Joe Welsh 97 10-15.

Light Tackle Dry Fly Accuracy, per cent:—E. J. Kennedy 99 8-15, Joe Welch 99 7-15, C. Van Horn 99 4-15, J. J. Lowe 98 11-15.

Distance Roll Fly, feet—E. J. Kennedy 68, Charles Van Horn 62, Joe Welch 59, J. J. Lowe 56.

Light Tackle Distance Fly, feet—E. J. Kennedy 85, J. J. Lowe 85, C. Van Horn 70, Joe Welch 66.

Quarter Ounce Accuracy Bait, per cent—O. Lane 99.0, E. J. Kennedy 98.1, Sherman Baker 96.7, H. A. Dichey 95.6, E. J. Herman 94.9, A. E. Perkins 94.7, C. J. Lenarth 91.8, A. Greenbaum 88.1.

Quarter Ounce Distance Bait—O. Lane, 159 feet, 8 inches; E. J. Kennedy 90:8, C. J. Lenarth 86, Sherman Baker 66:1, A. Greenbaum 60:6, E. J. Herman 23:8. Longest cast, O. Lane, 168 feet.

Two and One-half Ounce Distance—Sherman Baker, 193 feet, 8 inches; C. E. King 161:9, A. E. Perkins 137:8, G. Griffey 94:5, Frank Kohler Jr. 70:4. Longest cast, A. E. Perkins, 265 feet, 2 inches.

CALIFORNIA SCHUETZEN CLUB PRIZES.

The California Schuetzen Club distributed the prizes won at the forty-first annual prize shoot last Saturday night in San Francisco Turner Hall. The distribution was attended by the members of the club, their families and friends, who cheered the winners as they stepped to the platform to choose their prize.

President John S. Leutenegger, on behalf of the club, welcomed the guests most cordially, and introduced Philo Jacoby, founder of the club, as chairman of the evening. A social dance followed the prize distribution. Following are the winners of the principal prizes in the most important events:

Honorary target—William F. Blasse, A. H. Pape, A. Bodenschatz, A. Schwarz, Martin F. Blasse, F. Hildebrandt, Chris Meyer, John Frey, Louis Wille, E. Helm, W. G. Hoffmann, B. Jonas, George A. Pattberg, C. M. Henderson, Otto A. Bremer, A. J. Brannagan, W. W. Housner, J. H. Lewis, L. H. Halder, Adolph Strecker, C. B. Morris, Carl Abraham, Charles Ott, E. Schierbaum, E. H. Hollinger, F. Muehlbach, A. W. Lillie, Captain Joseph Straub, C. W. Jensen, John S. Leutenegger.

Ten best tickets—William F. Blasse, George A. Pattberg, C. M. Henderson, John Frey, A. Bodenschatz, A. H. Pape, Otto A. Bremer, C. Meyer, L. Wille, A. Schwarz, E. Helm, F. Muehlbach, Captain Joseph Straub, first bullseye in the forenoon; first 25, Otto A. Bremer; last bullseye in the forenoon, C. B. Morris; first bullseye in the afternoon, C. W. Lillie; last of the day, E. Schierbaum.

Playing Nurse to A Robin

SPORTSMAN FINDS ORPHAN AND HAS JOB ON HIS HANDS

Once upon a time I violated the laws of my state, and all on account of a bird. Now, don't smile. She wore feathers. I mean all over. I am blaming her, and yet she really was not to blame. It was a case like that of the blind horse that was guaranteed to be without fault. It wasn't her fault; it was her misfortune. I have been saying "she." She hight have been a he. I am not certain. Well, he, she or it was nearly dead when I found him on the saturated ground after a torrential shower. He was so nearly unconscious that he apparently did not know that a monster was picking him up. Neither parent was near to sound an alarm and it is doubtful if he would have heard if there had been.

I carried him home, placed him in a warm place and went hunting for worms. When I returned to the house the gentle warmth had revived him so that he eagerly took the tidbits that I dropped into his pacacious mouth from a pair of tweezers. Then followed the occupation of most of my spare time hunting for food for the smallest members of my family, and apparently its greatest eater. All the meal-worms in the neighborhood granaries and barns were confiscated. Every white grub in my garden that I could find was dug up and dropped into the insatiable gullet. Earthworms were pulled into pieces and sent after the others. Berries were taken as readily as worms and were more easily obtained. I would give him all he apparently wanted and in five minutes he would be crying for more. The maximum number of worms fed in one day was some more than a hundred, and that was probably fewer than his parents would have given him. Before I finished with him the matter began to get a little monotonous. Parent birds have nothing to do but hunt for worms. I had. Of course the little fellow felt no fear of humanity. The opening of his door was followed by a hop to my hand in expectation of a repast. One day we were upon the piazza and he was enjoying a confidential meal when the alarm of an adult robin was heard in the distance. Immediately his mouth was hermetically closed, a wild look appeared for the first time in his eyes, and he left me as fast as his clumsy, untried wings would carry him. I had little difficulty in catching him, but it was some time in the quiet and seclusion of the house before he forgot the danger-cry and would eat from my hand as usual.

Old birds teach their young to pick up food by finding a worm and repeatedly picking it up and dropping it until the watching youngster yields to the temptation to imitate, finds that it has a tidbit in its bill and swallows it. I was not able to do it in precisely that way. I held the food gradually lower and lower till he was obliged to pick it up instead of catching it on the fly. Then mocking-bird food was used with success along with what worms I could find. By that time he could fly and I decided that it was my duty as a law-abiding citizen to let him go. I was morally certain that with his lack of knowledge of how to hunt for food, ignorance of cats and general innocence, I was sending him to inevitable destruction, but I didn't know what some over-zealous game-warden might do in case he found him in my possession. So I fed him well, took him out to the orchard, put him on a low limb and went away. For a few minutes he appeared bewildered. Then he heard the danger-cry of an adult robin. It was again the call of the wild, and again he obeyed. I tried to approach him, but he flew from me as from an enemy. The next day I heard a cry that I imagined was his. I never saw him again. I have little doubt that he succumbed to one of the many dangers that constantly surround our feathered friends and about which I could not teach him. I have often wondered whether, so far as he was concerned, it would not have been better if I had left him to die when I found him. For myself, I am perfectly willing to let parent birds feed their own young.—Wm. M. Huse—American Game Protective Association.

RABBIT DRIVES SUCCESSFUL.

The Sacramento valley turned out in force to two of the most successful rabbit drives in its history last Sunday.

District 1002, near Franklin, in that county, offered as an attraction free shotgun shells to all who would attend ,and as a result about 2,000 rabbits were slain.

Arbuckle, Colusa county, was the scene of the other drive, which was attended by about 2,500 outside visitors, and there was a heavy slaughter of the farmers' pests.

Arbuckle has been working on its rabbit drive for weeks, and the elaborate preparations were carried through without a hitch. More than 600 automobile parties from points as far distant as Sacramento, and even San Francisco, attended the drive, and it spread so far that the prizes for the most killing could not be awarded. It is believed that 1,000 rabbits fell. C. B. Boxkius of San Francisco dropped the first rabbit.

After the drive, 2,500 persons were served stew and beans beneath the oaks south of Arbuckle. The feed had been cooking since Saturday.

At Franklin the rabbits were so thick at times that the hunting became a massacre. Some were killed with clubs.

No serious accidents were reported on either drive.

THE SHOOTING COSTUME.

Time was, and not so very long ago either (for the sport of trapshooting is comparatively youthful—particularly the clay target branch of the sport), when any old clothes would do in which to attend a tournament. Moth-eaten sweaters were clung to, much as an old guncase is—for the purpose of distinguishing the old-timer from the novice in the game, and also for comfort. But nowadays it is fortunately fase becoming the thing to dress just as neatly for a tournament or a club shoot as for the street. The same costume for the latter would do very well for the former, with the possible exception of the coat or shooting jacket. The coat must be loose and easy across the shoulders and under the arms; anything in the shape of wearing apparel that tends to hinder absolutely free action on the part of the arms is to be eschewed when shooting. Some coats and shooting vests have accordion pleats under the arms with just that very object in view, and these accomplish part of the object very well. A sort of Norfolk jacket with a box pleat down the back is a good thing, the pleat being held together at the back with thin strips of elastic, which give easily when the gun is brought to the shoulder, but quickly pull the pleat back into place when the gun is taken down.

No one style of shooting coat, jacket or vest, or even sweater, can be said to be the proper thing. The style and make must be left to the taste of the individual; the only thing that should be borne in mind is that the presence of ladies, both as spectators and as comrades at the score, is much to be desired, and that consequently no shooting costume is too good or too neat for the occasion.

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Catfish for Utah.—Fred W. Chambers, State Fish and Game Commissioner, has been negotiating with the Kansas State Fish and Game Commission for the past month in the hope of getting several thousand blue channel cat fish for planting in Utah lake, and announced last week that he believes his efforts will be crowned with success.

These cats grow to immense size, some weighing close to a hundred pounds having been caught in the Mississippi and its tributaries. They are a good eating fish and Chambers believes that by planting about five thousand of them in Utah lake, that body of water will be stocked in the course of about two years.

They are also an enemy of the carp and would probably succeed in thinning the lake of this species to a great extent.

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Merced, April 1.—The Rev. Father McNamara, who will be remembered by coursing men as the owner of a world-renowned greyhound, has died suddenly in this city of paralysis. Father McNamara was well known throughout California.

Among the most notable of his dogs were Rosie R. and Johnny R., both of which raced at Ingleside and Union Parks in San Francisco, and were considered almost unbeatable on the plains. Both dogs were descendants of John Rex, who in his day was even more famous than any of his sons and daughters.

Father McNamara raised greyhounds for love of the animals, and the racing of them he left to his friends, who however, were instructed that they must not bet on the results of the races, nor must they permit the animals to engage in any race which was not absolutely "on the square."

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Clarence Studers has reported to President Newbert of the Fish and Game Commission that striped bass are running good in the Snodgrass Slough section, and that in spite of the high water good catches are being made. Studers succeeded in hooking eleven bass with eleven minnows one day last week, and the fish were from nineteen to twenty?eight inches in length. Owing to the muddy condition of the water the fish will not take artificial bait at this time. All reports received by the Commission are that striped bass fishing will be excellent as soon as the water clears this year.

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While patrolling for violators of the fish and game laws early Monday morning, M. S. Clark, warden of the Fish and Game Commission, was painfully injured when he was thrown from his motorcycle. The accident occurred near Salada. Clark received a compound facture of the right arm and a number of bruises on the face and body. J. L. Bundoch, a deputy who was riding with Clark, escaped with a few minor scratches.

THE FARM

CAN DUAL PURPOSE CATTLE BE BRED?

[Continued from last week.]

If it were true that there was inherent antagonism from start to finish between milk and meat production in the same animal, then we could imagine difficulty in maintaing equilibrium in the transmission. But up to a certain limit, there is no inherent antagonism between the functions of making flesh and producing milk in the same animal. If that were so, the same animal would carry within it two warring elements even under normal condition—a conclusion that would be absurd. It is when supreme development is sought in either direction that antagonism becomes manifest. Where normal production leaves and extreme production begins in the same animal, it may not be easy to determine, but that good, even excellent production in both lines may be attained before the evidences of antagonism become marked, is evident from the high excellence attained in both lines of production in England.

Observe, those who claim that reliable transmission on dual lines cannot be secured rest this claim on theory. Can they point to a single instance in which cattle were bred, on correct dual lines, in which the transmission was invariably, or even generally wobbly in character? If they can they would have in such transmission a strong prop to their contention. But they cannot do so. While they have been contending that such equilibrium in the transmission of dual qualities cannot be maintained, the cattlemen of Britain have been maintaining them in some instances for more than a century.

How then may dual cattle be bred? On lines followed by successful English breeders. The cows will be milked and records kept of the production. In this way animals that fall short of a fixed standard will be discarded. If the cows are of mixed breeding, having been chosen chiefly on the ground of the evidences of good milk-giving that were present, the transmission may be more or less variable, but such variation will be speedily reduced with each generation.

The English breeder is most particular in the choice of the males which he uses in breeding. These males must be the progeny of a dam, and of a grandam, each of which has been abundant milk producers. Some breeders go farther back in the female ancestry in the search for high milk production. In this way the guaranty of transmitting good milking qualities by such a sire is secured. But the other side of the question is guarded with equal care. He must be an animal of good scale.

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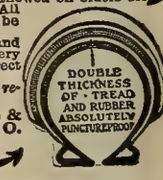
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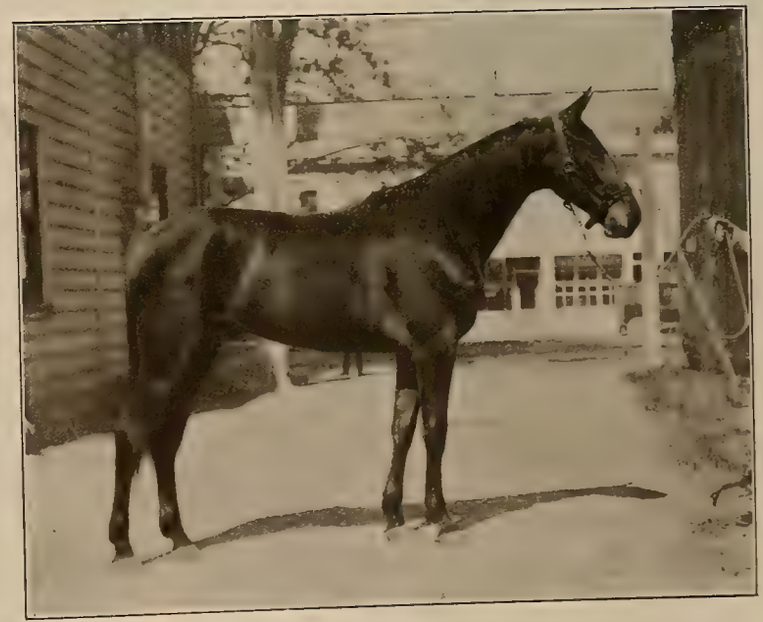
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The Breeder and Sportsman has lost a valued and highly esteemed member of its staff. Mr. Will M. Neal, who has edited the horse department of this journal since the death of William G. Layng in November of 1914, has put aside the editorial pen to accept a position offered him by Mr. Andrew Albright Jr., owner of Prospect Farm, Hilton, New Jersey. Mr. Albright is largely interested in the Rubberset Brush Co., and Mr. Neal will be manager of the advertising department of that corporation and incidentally look after the farm's publicity matters.

Mr. Neal got his experience in harness horse matters in the office of the Western Horseman at Indianapolis, a journal of which his father, Dr. J. W. Neal, was formerly owner. During the time he was connected with the Breeder and Sportsman he not only acquired a host of friends among the California horse breeders and all others with whom he became acquainted but he made his department accurate and interesting. With a rare sense of humor and power of description that is seldom exceeded by a turf writer, he was always a gentleman and never unfair. That he may have taken a step that will lead to nothing but pleasant relations and a future fortune is the wish of everyone connected with this office.

The largest breeding establishment in the United States if not in the world devoted to the rearing of horses for racing purposes is that of John E. Madden, at Hamburg Place, near Lexington, Ky. The farm comprises 2,240 acres, on which there are now 235 broodmares. About thirty of these are trotters and the others are runners. In the campaign of 1915 the offspring of stallions and mares at Hamburg Place won 325 races, worth $295,000. In the last seven years the get of Mr. Madden's stallions have won $1,605,000 in purses and stakes. W. E. D. Stokes, the estate of L. V. Harkness and a good many other breeders have more trotting mares than are at Hamburg Place, and there are more thoroughbred mares in the Melton Stud, at Thetford, England, but it is believed that none of these establishments quite equals Mr. Madden's when it comes to the whole number of broodmares in use.

A most encouraging sign is that lists of entries in the early closing events offered by the eastern harness racing associations are filling with twenty-five per cent more nominations than were received last year.

J. W. Wakefield of Lodi has purchased from Fred T. Lauterwasser, of this city, the old hero of many hard fought battles on the mile and half-mile tracks, Happy Dentist 2:05¾. The Nutwood Wilkes gelding made his record six years ago but is still going sound and on a good day and track can pace right at his record. The warm climate of Lodi should agree with him and we do not doubt but Mr. Wakefield will ride in front in more than one matinee race this summer.

SANTA ROSA FAIR GETS BREEDERS' MEETING.

August 7th to 12th is the time and Santa Rosa the place where the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders' Association will hold its meeting this year. There will be eight or nine purses of $1000 each for trotters and pacers, in addition to the four divisions of the Pacific Breeders Futurity which are the big features in colt racing on this coast every season.

The big annual fair of the Sonoma, Marin, Mendocino and Humboldt Agricultural Association is to be held at Santa Rosa on the dates above mentioned, and on Tuesday of this week, President E. H. Brown of the Sonoma County Chamber of Commerce accompanied by Messrs. J. P. Overton, Joseph Grace and Ney L. Donovan, representing the association, came to San Francisco and met in conference with Directors John A. McKerron, Robert S. Brown, I. L. Borden, E. J. Molera, Chas. W. Paine and Secretary F. W. Kelley of the P. C. T. H. B. A., in regard to this association furnishing the harness racing program. The Breeders organization has agreed to give a four days' program of $1000 purses, and the biggest district fair held in California in years is now assured.

Those who attended the fair of 1913 given at Santa Rosa under the same management and auspices will recall the big success and splendid exhibits, speed contests and attendance. In fact the attendance broke all records for the Santa Rosa fair grounds. The plans laid out for this year insure an even greater success.

Agricultural fairs are being recognized all over the United States in progressive communities as big features in the development of all resources. When properly conducted they lead to improvement in all kinds of live stock, to the production and the marketing of better fruits and grains, to more thorough and more modern methods of farming, to the establishment of new manufacturing plants and the upbuilding of every enterprise pertaining to the advancement of the country.

In a New England state four years ago, the first extensive exhibit of draft stock ever seen at one of its successful fairs was made by a Chicago firm of importers. Heavy drafters had not been very popular in the hills of New England where the farms are generally small, but the aforesaid firm was induced to ship a big consignment of stallions and mares all the way from Chicago to the New England fair and the result was that 22 stallions and mares were sold in that section as a result of that exhibit, and the increase in the value of New England farm stock from those sales will run into hundreds of thousands of dollars within the next few years.

A California manufacturer of traction engines informed the writer recently that every exhibit he had ever made at California fairs, and he has never exhibited elsewhere, has resulted in enough sales (which he believed would not have been otherwise made) to pay for making the exhibits many times over.

The money appropriated by a city or a county for premiums to be paid exhibitors comes back to the community a hundred fold.

It is a matter for congratulation that the Santa Rosa association and the citizens of that county have from experience come to a realization of the fact that a good annual fair is an asset, and that it will bring in much more than it costs as well as make for improvement and advancement in every line of industry it encourages.

The Santa Rosa fair will be one of the big events of the coming season in California, and the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders Association pledges itself to make the amusement end of it which its races will furnish as clean and high class as the tracks of California have ever seen.

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SAN FRANCISCO HORSE SHOW.

The second annual Horse Show of San Francisco will be held at the San Francisco Riding School on April 27, 28 and 29, for the benefit of two of our most worthy charities, viz., the San Francisco Polyclinic and the People's Place.

It is extremely commendable for the two philanthropic organizations to foster the coming Horse Show in view of the fact that in many cities the horse interests have been diverted to the more rapid mode of transportation, the automobile, at the expense of the pleasure derived from man's best friend, the horse.

The first show which was held in February, 1915, for the benefit of the People's Place, was a great success, and all are looking forward to the second annual Horse Show being a far greater success, both from the point of entries and attendance.

The entries this year are of a much higher class than the previous year, for the reason that many of the horses that came here for the Panama-Pacific International Exposition were sold here and have remained and will be shown in many of the classes.

It is regretted that the army will not be so strongly represented as at the previous show for the reason that the officers of the cavalry troops are on the border of Mexico. It is, however, gratifying to know that the young folks are taking a keen interest in the equestrian art. The children's classes this year will more than double in number those of last year. The most interesting feature will take place on Saturday afternoon, when the two children's classes, commanded by Oscar Romander, will be presented, one class for children under 14 years and another for the young folks up to 18. The most important event will be the children's jumping classes. There is considerable rivalry in this class, and we are looking forward to very keen competition for the coveted blue ribbon when this class is called.

The Company B. Signal Corps will present a drill of 32 of their picked men, commanded by Captain Frank J. Sullivan.

The Monday Night Equestrian Club, commanded by Captain J. Dilhan, will present a drill by advanced riders.

A most interesting feature will be the polo games. There are four teams entered to play; two will play on Thursday night and two on Friday night. The victors of Thursday and Friday nights will play for the championship on Saturday night.

The San Francisco police will open the show with a drill by the mounted officers of the force, after which the other classes will be judged according to program.

There will be roadsters, heavy harness classes, combination horses, thoroughbred saddle horses, Kentucky five gaited saddle horses, California stock horses, hunters, jumpers, polo ponies, ladies' jumping classes, cavalry officers' mounts, a Marathon race to the Cliff House and return and the class for the best lady rider of the show.

There are 44 classes in all, and with the special features added, the program should be of good variety and give the horse-loving public an opportunity to see king horse in his glory where he rightfully belongs.

Among those who are exhibitors at the Horse Show are: Messrs F. E. Abecassis, George Armes, Dr. Geo. Boskowitz, John A. Coghlan, Edward Cebrian, Louis Cebrian, Arthur Dolan, J. L. Deahl, E. M. Doyle, Herbert Fleishhacker, Mortimer Fleishhacker, E. Courtney Ford, S. L. Goldstein, P. S. Grigsby, Ed. Graney, Martin Hanley, E. E. Hohfield, G. S. Hawkins, E. S. Heller, Jacob Stern, D. E. Hoffman, J. M. Kidd, H. Levy, Leon Liebes, G. A. Merchant, G. W. Mordecai, Thos. M. Nelson, A. W. Pike, J. F. Quinlan, Dr. J. C. Quinlan, Gus. Skeeley, Aaron L. Sapiro, Edgar J. DePue, S. J. Vally-Valenty, Captain J. Dilhan, Dr. Sol. Hyman, Joseph C. Meyerstein, Julius I. Cahn, Oscar Romander, Bilan von Feducha, C. Heller, Walter S. Heller, Dr. F. C. Keck, Henry Edwards, A. J. Titus, Everett N. Bee, M. S. Nickelsburg, A. Holmes, Samuel E. Kramer, Woodland Hackney Stud and San Francisco Riding School; Mesdames Sol. Hyman, Joseph Dilhan, Geo. E. Macdonald, Leota I. Zapp, C. H. Kirby, and the Misses Estelle Healy, Mary MacDonald, Grace Lane, Kate Brigham, Kathleen Long, Mary Andruss, Edith Goldstein, Jean Wheeler, Helen St. Goar, Jeanne Silverberg, Miss Helen and Master Blair Foster, Miss Ethel B. Davie, Miss Margaret C. Weigert, Miss T. M. O'Connor, Miss B. E. Davies.

The 2:10 Colt Trotters of 1915

Ever since colt trotters began entering the 2:10 list I have been particularly interested in that sort of speed for the reason that it seems to me only logical that some day our fastest trotter will be a three-year-old. In the matter of speed development, the English thoroughbred and his descendants easily outclass all other horses, and it is a fact established by centuries of breeding that the highest type of the thoroughbred is produced at three years.

It used to be argued that, while colt trotters (that is, two and three-year-olds) might eventually acquire as great a rate of speed as an aged horse, the youngsters never would be able to carry that speed as well for a mile, and, therefore, the record at the standard distance adopted for harness racing always would be held by a matured performer. When Arion, in 1891, took a two-year-old mark of 2:10¾ to high wheels, it was seen a new sort of colt trotter had arrived, and when, in 1893, Fantasy crossed the 2:10 line as a three-year-old, putting 2:08¾ on the blackboard, the additional fact that there were flying fillies as well as stallions of phenomenal speed among the colt trotters became apparent. In the succeeding two decades there has been a wonderful increase in the number of colt trotters of class for the reason that early speed meant quick sales at remunerative prices, and the idea became so dominant that the training of yearlings to perform over the mile distance was taken up seriously by both breeders and trainers, with the result that the record for that age gradually was lowered until we have a yearling trotting record of 2:15¾, and the unpleasant spectacle of hundreds of baby horses annually trained for a performance at which only one or two in a hundred possibly can excel, with the inevitable result that scores of them are crippled beyond repair.

But in the meantime the speed-carrying ability of the colt trotter has been nourished and developed until now we have a two-year-old stallion and two fillies of the same age with records, respectively, of 2:04½ and 2:07¾, while the three-year-old mark for colts is 2:03½, and for fillies, 2:05½. These figures clearly indicate the truth of the idea given to the public some time ago by Dr. J. C. McCoy, to-wit—that the male trotter—the stallion—eventually will be at the top in the matter of records. Also it goes a long ways in suggesting that the three-year-old trotter, following the path blazed by the thoroughbred of like age, eventually will be at the top in the speed department. For a time (when 2:10 by a three-year-old had not been achieved) a filly (Sunol) led decisively in the colt trotting world, her 2:18 at two years and 2:10½ at three (1888-1889) preceding the phenomenal performance of Arion. A filly (Fantasy) was the first three-year-old to beat 2:10, and another of the sex (Native Belle) was the first two-year-old to cross the line which their predecessors had found it impossible to reach. Also a filly (Miss Stokes) was the first yearling trotter to beat 2:20, but now the best records for yearlings and two and three-year-olds are held by colts, Airdale being the top yearling, while Peter Volo stars as the best two and three-year-old.

The results of the 1915 campaign in the matter of producing 2:10 or better trotters among the two and three-year-olds is very interesting when viewed in its entirety, since no less than nineteen three-year-olds performed in 2:10 or better, while a pair of two-year-olds were added to the select list, they being Volga 2:07¾, and Bingen Silk 2:08¾. One of those miles—that of Volga—tied the record for her age and sex, set some years ago by Native Belle, and the mile by Bingen Silk is the best by a two-year-old stallion, with the single exception of the 2:03½ of Peter Volo. And although the tale of Peter's surpassing greatness as a colt trotter has more than once been told in this column, it is only fair, in the present consideration of the matter of colt trotting, to repeat that he stands alone in that department, holding the champion records at one, two, three and four years, with only one of those marks (his 2:19 as a yearling) lowered. His 2:04½ at two, 2:03½ at three, and 2:02 at four stand out boldly among the records of the trotting turf with such unique prominence and are fortified by so many conditions which could have been created only by a giant among colt trotters that it is doubtful if, taken as a whole, they ever are beaten. That is, to merely equal them there must appear a colt trotter which not only shall hold as fast records at one, two and three years of age, but each of those performances must be a world's championship for the age when made. And that will prove the stickler. There are angles to this matter which seem to me of great interest, and some day I hope to find the time for the delving and the other dreary preludes to some varieties of literary effort that are indispensable to success.

As for this season's colt trotters of the 2:10 or better brand here is a list of them, all but Volga and Bingen Silk being three-year-olds. The sire of each and the family to which that side belongs is given.

Name.	Record.
Mary Putney	2:05½
Deroche	2:07½
Volga (2)	2:07¾
Binland	2:08¼
Rusticoat	2:08¼
Colorado Range	2:08½
Straight Sail	2:08¾
Bingen Silk (2)	2:08¾
Vincent Todd	2:08¾
Bacelli	2:09¼
Peter Belmont	2:09¼
Prinelda	2:09½
The Colorado Belle	2:09½
Onward Forbes	2:09½
Humfast	2:09¾
Northspur	2:09¾
Petress Burton	2:09¾
Miss Pierette	2:09¾
Henry Todd	2:10
The Exposer	2:10
The Royal Knight	2:10

The two outstanding features of the colt trotting of 1915 are the tieing of the records for two-year-old fillies (the 2:07¾ of Native Belle, made in 1909) by Volga, and the lowering of the mark for three-year-old fillies to 2:05½ by Mary Putney, and in her case as well it was a mark set by Native Belle (2:06½) that had to be overcome. And right here it is worth noting that both Native Belle and Mary Putney were bred at the same establishment, Walnut Hall Farm, and that the sires of the pair, Moko and San Francisco 2:07¾, still are owned there. And it is further worth observing that San Francisco, whose stud career has only just begun, not only has the champion three-year-old filly to his credit, but had another of the same age (Northspur) take a record of 2:09¾ this season, while his four-year-old son, St. Frisco 2:07¼, showed himself a veritable bulldog for gameness, as well as a speed merchant of extra quality.

Peter the Great 2:07¼ and Colorado E. 2:04¾ are the only stallions other than San Francisco to have two three-year-olds enter the 2:10 list this eason, and for this reason this trio of sires stand out from all the others. San Francisco had the undisputed champion among the three-year-olds, Mary Putney winning all her starts with ease, while, for the first time in many years, Peter the Great had no dominating son or daughter in that division of the colt stakes. But, on the other hand, his daughter, Volga, was just as much a champion among the two-year-olds as was the San Francisco filly in the elder division, while Peter Volo set a new record for four-year-olds. And as Bingen 2:06¼ furnished the fastest two-year-old stallion of the campaign, the honors in that respect are pretty well divided.

A number of the youngsters in the above list took their records in time trials, not being, for one reason or another, ready for racing in the big stakes, and among them there is likely to be a sensational performer, just as Mary Putney proved to be among the two-year-olds. Her two-year-old record was 2:24¼, and, when the season ended and speculation as to the probable best three-year-olds of 1915 was rife, her name was not mentioned, yet she won all her engagements and set a new record for her age and sex. Sparkle Watts 2:10½, who was generally acclaimed the best two-year-old of 1914, died. Native Spirit 2:09¾, who easily was second best, and who was the only two-year-old of the season to be marked under 2:10, was clearly off form at three, and the same can be said of Henry Todd (3) 2:10, who lowered the record for two-year-old geldings to 2:11¾, and, by trotting a half in 1:03, showed that for pure speed none of the others had anything on him. There were three exceptionally fast and game two-year-olds, and yet at three bad luck kept them in the shade.

Rusticoat, after he had won at Cleveland, trotting the last half of one heat in 1:02¼, and then breezed a mile in his winning race at Grand Rapids in 2:08¼, looked to be the best three-year-old by a considerable margin, but sickness kept him in the barn. Colorado Range 2:08½ is another member of the hard luck brigade. He is the steady going type of trotter that always gets some of the money, but in addition to these qualities he had speed of a high order, as McDonald timed him a half in a race in 1:02. A colthood injury, which affected his hind action, probably kept Colorado Range from being a 2:06 three-year-old, but he nevertheless is a great card for his dead sire, and he also is a fine example of the potency of the Prodigal blood in the female line, his dam, Erirange 2:21 at two, being a daughter of that horse. On account of his size and lack of finish, a good many

Sire.	Family.
San Francisco	Wilkes
John A. McKerron	Wilkes
Peter the Great	Happy Medium
Binjolla	Electioneer
Axworthy	Wilkes
Colorado E.	Wilkes
Mainsheet	Dictator
Bingen	Electioneer
Jim Todd	Electioneer
Bingara	Electioneer
Peter the Great	Happy Medium
Prince McKinney	Wilkes
Colorado E.	Wilkes
J. Malcolm Forbes	Electioneer
Trampfast	Wilkes
San Francisco	Wilkes
Peter the Great	Happy Medium
Peter the Great	Happy Medium
Henry Setzer	Electioneer
The Exponent	Electioneer
Border Knight	Electioneer

of the experts did not fancy Colorado E. as a sire, but Mr. A. B. Coxe took the big colt after his three-year-old campaign was ended, and, by mating him with a very choice lot of broodmares, gave the son of The Bondsman a wonderful start as a sire. To have a pair of three-year-old trotters enter the 2:10 list when their sire is but eight years old is a distinction acquired by but few stallions, and, while Colorado E. is dead and gone, the fact that he was a whale among sires of his age in the matter of begetting extreme colt speed should by no means be forgotten. Moreover, it calls attention to The Bondsman (sire of Colorado E.), himself a colt trotter of undoubted class, because that horse gave the turf Grace Bond 2:14¼ as a two-year-old, 2:09¼ at three, a winner of both divisions of the Kentucky Futurity. Then came Colorado E. 2:04¾, world's champion three-year-old trotter, so that The Bondsman must be credited with a son and daughter, each a marvel of colt trotting ability in its day, and one of them, on the showing of Colorado Range and The Colorado Belle as three-year-olds, has won high credentials in the breeding ranks, the entire episode once more showing what a truly great sire and progenitor Baron Wilkes (sire of The Bondsman) was, not overlooking the important fact that the dam of The Bondsman (Sorrento, by Grand Sentinel) is in the very front rank of broodmares, and that her sire, Grand Sentinel, gave us Santos, the dam of Peter the Great.

Humfast 2:09¾ is another of the three-year-olds whose real quality is likely to be overlooked by all but the first-class observers. She was a very close second to Mary Putney in that 2:05½ mile, and from the way Murphy drove the heat it is my impression he did not think his filly could win, so laid all his plans with the sole idea of beating the rest of the field, which he did handily enough. Humfast will have a lot to say about the races in which she starts as a four-year-old, and another one of this class is Deroche 2:07½, because I happen to know Mr. Geers regards the son of John A. McKerron 2:04½ very highly and is to have charge of him another year. I did not see enough of the others to have an opinion as to their merits, but Straight Sail, which went a time record mile at Lexington in 2:08¾, made a tremendous hit with a friend of mine who saw her perform, and his notion is that she will rank with any of the four-year-olds of 1916.

Of course, the talked about two-year-olds of the present season are Volga, Bingen Silk and Walnut Tree, with the daughter of Peter the Great always first choice, and it really does look as though she should hold her fields about as safe at three as she did at two. For, remember, Volga was not trained by Andrews to see how fast she could go, nor was she

raced in any way save that of winning each heat by a safe margin. On that programme she won a first heat in 2:07¾ and the next in 2:09¾, two faster consecutive miles than are to the credit of any other two-year-old filly, their average being 2:08¾. I am well aware that the 2:08¾ mile of Bingen Silk was an impressive performance, and that the last half in 1:03¼ carried a lot of people off their feet. In fact, the editor of one prominent turf journal, recording his impressions of the two-year-old Kentucky Futurity, calmly states, and tried to prove, that Bingen Silk was the sensation of the event, although Volga beat him all the time and Walnut Tree also took a hand at the game. I admired Bingen Silk greatly. His appearance compels admiration, and his gait is something to rave over. Also he has "the lick"—in other words, he is a wonderful colt trotter—but not so good by a considerable margin as Volga (in competition with him) showed herself to be. So, if all hands have decent luck in the matter of health, I look for Volga to be the best three-year-old. On the form of 1915 any other conclusion would be a joke.

[By H. T. White, American Horse Breeder.]

EXCESSIVE SCORING EVILS.

A vast amount of talk is being indulged in at frequent intervals regarding the establishing of a rule to do away with protracted and needless scoring. While it is not at all likely that anything will come from the discussion, it is nevertheless true that much valuable time is lost and great injustice done many horses by continued scoring. The writer is of the opinion that few persons connected with the turf have ever considered the matter of extra distance traveled by trotters or pacers while scoring. Had many writers given the subject due consideration we are quite certain that they would not dismiss the idea of lessing the number of false attempts at starting with the somewhat short and crusty expression, "It can't be done." Nothing of this nature is impossible, and the discussion of the subject may lead to improvement.

Taking an eighth of a mile as a basis, and the majority of horses cover this distance every time they come down for the word, we have prepared the following table, showing just how far a horse travels before he starts for the heat, provided, of course, that he is not sent away on the first score:

A horse scoring once trots	⅛ mile
A horse scoring twice trots	¼ mile
A horse scoring three times trots	⅜ mile
A horse scoring four times trots	½ mile
A horse scoring five times trots	⅝ mile
A horse scoring six times trots	¾ mile
A horse scoring seven times trots	⅞ mile
A horse scoring eight times trots	1 mile
A horse scoring ten times trots	1¼ miles
A horse scoring twelve times trots	1½ miles
A horse scoring fourteen times trots	1¾ miles
A horse scoring sixteen times trots	2 miles
A horse scoring twenty times trots	2½ miles

The writer calls to mind a four-year-old colt that, after scoring twenty-two times, laid down and died. It was reported at the time that the cause of death was heart failure, but as this much-abused term resembles charity, inasmuch as it covers many sins of ignorance, it might truthfully be written that he died from an overdose of damn foolishness.

As the above table applies only to the pole horse, it is evident that the fifth or sixth horse from the pole covers more ground. Ten feet is about as near to the pole as the second horse generally gets, which makes the distance which he covers in trotting a mile many feet greater than that trotted by the pole horse. Allowing seven feet between each of the horses engaged in scoring, and we find that the fifth horse while scoring eight times has actually trotted a hundred and twenty-one yards further than the pole horse. Should he be unfortunate enough to score twenty-one times, as did the colt referred to, the horse in question would trot three hundred and eight yards further than the pole horse before receiving the word "Go," and should he hold his position during the entire circuit of the track he would add an extra hundred and seventy-six feet to the distance traveled. Let a horse score six or eight times each heat of a long-drawn-out race, and it is quite evident that he will have needlessly traveled many a weary mile. If the horse had his say in the matter he would certainly be in favor of reducing the number of scores.—Exchange.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

WHAT DOES THE PUBLIC WANT?

"Where ignorance is bliss, 'tis folly to be otherwise," said a modern wag in making fun of one of the ancient axioms. And I never realized just how forceful that was until quite recently when a certain well known trainer electrified a party of intelligent horsemen by declaring most emphatically that what the public really wants is the old fashioned three in five system of racing.

However when you understand that this trainer attends but one race meeting a year and that Lexington, you will perhaps agree with me that he was taking in altogether too much territory and that speaking so briskly for the whole wide world, he might possibly be in error.

I am not sure that any one or body of men, know all that all the public wants in the way of sports and amusements, but I believe I am safe in saying that there are a few of us, who have made a real study of the situation, who can give some interesting facts in connection with this much mooted subject.

In the year 1900, now sixteen years agone, I began to give some attention to this matter, becoming connected with the Memphis Trotting Association in 1902, since that date having been attached to various racing associations, turf papers and kindred harness horse organizations. It has been my mission during this run of the years to do a lot of daily newspaper work and I have "covered" among the outdoor sports harness races, running races, base ball games, hockey, athletic meets, etc. While basket ball, indoor base ball, roller polo, boxing and the like have demanded my attention indoors, through the fall and winter months.

Through a close association with these deversified sports and a constant mingling with the public that has paid its way in to witness them, I have come to one certain conclusion and that is that the public wants speed, action and a snappy, bang-up finish to everything in the sporting line.

Now let us go over several of these pastimes and see if we cannot ascertain why they are so popular with the great mass of people.

First take base ball. All the games are advertised to begin at a certain time and what is more that is when they begin. The public knows that nine innings is the most a game can go, unless something unexpected happens. Here is a sport that is figured down to a mathematic fine point, with action every minute of the game.

Then take boxing. Every fan who pays his way into a boxing tournament knows in advance just how many bouts he is to see and how many rounds each one is to go. He knows that the men box three minutes and rest one. No uncertainties, no delays, no foolishness.

The same thing applies to basket ball, indoor hockey, roller polo, etc. These games are played in periods of so many minutes each and the fan before going into the building knows just how long the game will last and how much time he will have to spend there.

Take the great college game of football and aside from the sentimental attachment to each game what is it that draws countless thousands to the gridiron? Nothing on earth but the quick, snappy, decisive action. And furthermore if at the end of the allotted period for playing the game, the contending teams are tied, that is where the game ends and spectators are not asked to wait far into the stilly night, as in the case of harness racing, for a verdict.

We are living in that kind of an age now. The New Yorker who has to go to Chicago on real business takes the Twentieth Century limited because it lands him in Chicago in record time, albeit that slower trains are just as finely equipped. In the days before the war, European travelers took passage on the Lusitania or the Mauretania because those ocean greyhounds were the speed merchants of the sea.

Scoff as you will at the thoroughbred game, but you cannot deny that the quick, up and away, soon settled race, is what attracts the devotees of this sport.

"Action, action, give us action" is what the public cries at all times and that is what the modern up-to-date amusements purveyors are endeavoring to provide. Each year the men who guide the destinies of the great outdoor pleasure resorts try to find some new, exhilarating, almost death-dealing ride, patterned after the old style roller coaster. Why do they do this? Simply because their patrons demand it.

And so should it be with those who promote harness race meetings. Cleveland had the courage to try the three heat system of racing, presenting it to a public that had been crammed with the old army game for half a century, and the results were startling. I ask you then, wherein does the public at any other Grand Circuit town differ from that of Cleveland? People are the same the world over.

If they are not, why do they attend every sport in every city, conducted along identically the same lines, and I reiterate, lest you forget: Baseball, football, boxing, tennis, golf, polo (ice and roller), basket ball, running races, etc. From New York to San Francisco and from Duluth to New Orleans all these sports, and many others that escape me now, are conducted in the same manner and the public attends in droves. What's the answer?

And now if you are not satisfied, let us consider the value of the three heat or dash system of racing from a speculative standpoint. There is not a track manager today who operates under the old three-in-five system, who does not honestly believe that he is giving his betting patrons a run for their money. But the truth is that he is not, for such a thing is a physical impossibility under the 1812 system of racing. I am not one of those who delude myself into believing that all of such racing is on the square. We all must admit that under the three-in-five system every driver wins when he gets good and ready to win. However, the track manager has invited the public in to wager on the heats, knowing in advance that they possibly cannot outguess the drivers. Result: THE TRACK MANAGER IS FLEECING THE PUBLIC.

But with the three heat system or dash racing in vogue, with a larger sum of money to be raced for each successive heat and an added sum given to the horse standing best in the final summary, sharp practice is reduced to a minimum and a track manager can ask his guests to wager on such events and still be able to sleep nights.

I guess this is about all. If you think I am romancing start out this summer and attend every sporting event of every kind you possibly can. Make more than a superficial study of the situation and learn for yourself WHAT THE PUBLIC WANTS.

I assure you it will be a revelation.—Ted H. Kline in the Breeders' Journal.

When the story of General Pershing's pursuit of the elusive Pancho Villa is told it is likely to rank among the greatest cavalry races on record. The horses of both pursuers and pursued seem to have done something remarkable in the way of forced marches through a country which must have tested the rustling qualities as well as the endurance of the equine warriors. Pershing's troopers are mounted on horses purchased for the most part in the open markets at Kansas City, St. Louis and Chicago for about $150 each. Villa's bandits are riding the hardy little ponies of the country through which they are retreating. They are surprisingly small as to height, many of them appearing to be well under 14 hands, while few seem to much exceed that size. For the rough, hard service they are in, with little to drink, less to eat and long distances to go, day after day, there is perhaps no creature of the equine race that can match them. The high bred horse of the European government studs may outpace them, but a ride that would kill him will not disable these little runts of the ranges. Their ancestors have had to struggle with too many hardships and endure too much grief for them to be easily killed, while the well bred horses have been warmly housed and artificially handled for so many generations that when they go to war they want a hay train to accompany them.

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Lady Dilham and Elegant Dilham, those pony hackneys that have been unbeatable in the eastern show rings for years, and are so far along in years that their ages cannot be determined by their teeth, were sold at auction in New York April 4th, for $4,800. The first named is the most perfect high stepper ever seen in a show ring in this country and is a perfect beauty in action.

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The American Saddle Horse Breeders' Association will probably restore that rule for registration to its stud book which permitted the registration of the progeny of a registered saddle stallion and a recorded thoroughbred mare, the rule to be effective January 1, 1917.

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At an annual sale of Percherons held by a Pennsylvania breeder during the first week of this month, 32 head averaged $458. There were 26 mares in the sale and they averaged $514, top price being $800, paid for a stylish black mare.

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$525 was the average obtained at a sale of Clydesdales held in Illinois this month.

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An average of $450 was obtained at a sale of thirty head of Percherons, Belgians and Shires held at Cedea Falls, Iowa, recently.

Notes and News

Breeders meeting goes to Santa Rosa.

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It will be held in conjunction with the Santa Rosa Fair.

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The dates are August 7th to 12th inclusive with racing the last four days.

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All the purses for trotters and pacers will be of the value of $1,000 each.

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All harness races at the Breeders meeting and the State Fair this year will be three heats and no more.

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Horses can thus be started oftener than under the old three in five plan and consequently earn more money.

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The total amount of purses and stakes to be hung up at the Santa Rosa meeting will be $15,500. The program will be out next week.

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Secretary Chas. Paine of the California State Agricultural Society is arranging a program of harness events that will be mighty attractive to horse owners. He will have it ready for publication shortly.

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Reamy Macey is now training for E. T. Bedford, proprietor of Green Farms, Connecticut.

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Walnut Hall Farm announces that the book of San Francisco 2:07¾ is full for the year 1916, and all further applications for services for this season must be refused.

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Every year about this season there is much expression of doubt as to whether there will be a California harness racing circuit extensive enough to warrant training a string of horses, and every year by the first of July a pretty fair circuit is arranged.

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The half-mile track just north of the Sixteenth street station at Oakland is being put in order again for the road drivers of that city who enjoy a brush with their horses once in awhile. It is not a "billiard table" half mile but the boys have a lot of sport there Sunday mornings.

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Eight weeks of racing for purses aggregating $75,000 is the attraction offered by the North Pacific Circuit this year. Entries for some of the events will close June 1st, and a postal card addressed to John Pace, Secretary, 1209 Alaska Building, Seattle, will bring you a stake book containing all particulars.

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The Messina Springs, New York, Driving Club offered early closing purses for two and three-year-olds, to race next September. Twenty-eight two-year-olds, and twenty-six three-year-olds were named when the events closed last month. There is no slump in the trotting game in that neck of the woods.

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J. Macy Willetts, of New Marlboro, Mass., has offered a $100 cup for the first pure bred Hackney that trots in three minutes over a regulation track, another cup valued at $150 for the horse of that breed that makes the best time under three minutes this year, and a third for the Hackney trotting the greatest distance in 30 minutes during 1916.

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American Saddle stallions predominate in Kentucky. Returns from 74 counties show that of 1,017 stallions licensed, 406 were American Saddle stallions, 73 Trotting stallions and 20 Thoroughbred stallions. 518 were grade and unclassified. There are estimated to be 41,000 mares in that state used for breeding.

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Over 600,000 horses have been shipped from the United States during the past year for use in the European war. The best that have been taken were for use in the field artillery. As these horses averaged about $150 each to the sellers, this means ninety million dollars spent for horses alone, to say nothing of the vast amount paid out to get them across the Atlantic and into service.

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Riverside District Fair will be held from October 10th to 14th, both dates inclusive. Mr. O. P. Sanders, secretary of this enterprising organization, writes that it has been holding back for over a month waiting for other organizations to select dates so that no conflict would occur, but feels that the printing and distribution of its premium lists cannot longer be delayed, and consequently has definitely fixed on the dates named above. Mr. Sanders adds that he "regrets exceedingly that there cannot be better organization of the fair officials throughout the state, as he feels there is much to be gained by full co-operation." This is true but the Riverside association has taken the only sensible course and if every fair organization would do likewise it would be better for all concerned. There is nothing gained by waiting for those who have not made up their minds whether they will get up and go to work or turn over and take another nap.

The Kentucky Futurity has 932 nominations, an increase of 82 over last year. Yes; the trotting horse business is looking up.

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Charley DeRyder left Pleasanton Thursday with two carloads of trotters and pacers consigned to the Indianapolis sale which opens the first week in May. Here's hoping for a safe trip and good prices.

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W. G. Durfee's horses are being liberally entered all through the Grand Circuit, and it is dollars to apples that they will bring home a fair share of "the bacon."

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Bids have been authorized by the United States Army for 5,000 cavalry and 1,200 artillery horses. The contract will be let May 7th, and inspections will be rigid.

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Al Boyle of Tacoma, Washington, owns a two-year-old filly by Almaden D. (Charley Durfee's former colt stake winner) that is said to be a very fast young trotter.

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Williams, a green pacer by Caution, dam Birdie by Meredith, owned by Dan Barclay of Walla Walla, is expected to be one of the good things of the season in the northwest. He worked in 2:09¼ last year.

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Despite Peter Mac, Mabel Trask, Trampright, etc., the Pastime Stable owners have an idea that Bacelli (3) 2:09¼ will win some races that will look well on paper, when the summaries are made out.

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Work horses are selling in France at the present time at from $400 to $500 for average animals. An embargo has been placed on the exportation of all horses, which will not be lifted until the war is over.

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R. J. Wilson, the Indiana horseman and starting judge, died at his home in Rushville April 1st, after a lingering illness from Bright's disease. He was a brother of Dick Wilson, the well known trainer who formerly resided in California.

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Mr. C. W. Shaw, secretary of the Alameda County Milk Dealers' Association, is looking with much admiration these fine spring days on a very handsome filly foal presented to him April 3rd by his brown mare, Baby by Tanglewood. The filly is by that elegantly bred stallion Derbertha Bells owned by J. W. Pendleton, of Oakland.

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Mr. G. Cuneo of 701 Washington street, Oakland, owns the promising colt Bond Boy, eligible to this year's Pacific Breeders Futurity Stake, that he would like to give to some responsible person to have trained for the event. A letter to Mr. Cuneo at the above address may lead to a deal that will be advantageous to both parties.

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From the manner in which Carlokin's 2:07½ standard list is growing year after year, this son of McKinney looks to be about the surest horse in the country to breed to to get a trotter. He has 21 in the list already, only one of them that was four years old when making its record, and the rest two and three year olds. That is surely "some" sire. Carlokin was himself a colt stake winner, a race horse afterwards, and is now a sire of race horses. What more is wanted in a sire?

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The old Sheepshead Bay race track property, which was recently converted into an automobile speedway, will be a "frontier village" next August. Harry S. Harkness, part owner of Walnut Hall Farm, Everard Thomson and E. A. Thomson, admirers of trotting horses, are at the head of a syndicate to convert the property into a typical western town of 60 years ago, showing the real ranch and camp life of those days. Fifty thousand dollars will be distributed as prizes in contests that will be arranged, including a cross-country, 1,000-mile race to determine the endurance of the present day range horses, each of the 25 participants being allowed to use but two mounts to cover the distance.

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There are more than 100 horses in training at the Goshen half-mile track at the present time, and when the season is in full swing there will probably be close to 150 located there. The weather has been such that training operations have not begun yet, says the Horse World, all of the work the horses have taken so far being on the roads. There is no denying the fact that Goshen sets the pace—and the fashions—for the double-O tracks, and the example she sets in the matter of stakes, purses, treatment of horsemen, etc., is one worthy of emulation by any and all half-mile track associations.

There are more wealthy men connected with the Goshen plant, perhaps, than any other track in America, and it is only natural that they should have only the best that money can buy and that capable men of experience can devise in the way of track and track equipment; but they are not selfish in their desires, and extend a free and cordial hand to the horsemen and the general public to come in and enjoy and participate in the pleasurable sport of light harness horse racing, over a track as good as can be made, and for purses with liberal conditions attached that have been made to accommodate all classes. It is proper to add also, that the invitation has not been overlooked or neglected by either the public or the horsemen.

W. J. Andrews has not yet resumed activity in the sulky, but his health is improving constantly, and his return to his profession is but a question of time.

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Expressive Mac 2:25½, sire of three with records below 2:08, is certainly a bargain at $25 for the season. He is in the stud at Selma where good pasturage can be had at $2 per month.

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A colt that is by The Bondsman out of one of Thomas Ronan's best bred mares is offered for sale cheap. He is three years old and worth much more than the price asked. Enquire at this office.

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It only costs $25 to breed a mare to Derbertha Bells 60907, oue of the best individuals as well as one of the most wonderfully bred stallions in America. See advertisement.

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If you like horseback riding you will never get the extreme pleasure out of it until you ride one of your breeding and rearing. Send a good mare to that magnificent young saddle stallion LeGrand McDonald this year and there is every likelihood that you will get a colt that it will be a pleasure to ride when it is grown. LeGrand McDonald is a grandson of the world's greatest champion saddle horse Rex McDonald, and himself a winner of the world's junior championship at the recent Panama Pacific International Exposition, besides being the champion of three states for the two years last shown. Look over his advertisement on the second page of this issue of the Breeder and Sportsman.

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A good investment for any farmer or other person who has a place for a few horses is offered by Mr. J. W. Pendleton, 1601 Seminary avenue, Oakland, who has more horses than he can afford to keep. The mare Abbie McNutward (dam of Greatness (3) 2:10¼ her only foal trained), with a filly foal at foot and a yearling stud, both by the elegantly bred horse Derbertha Bells. Also a yearling colt by that fast trotter Rapallo, trial 2:07, and from Beautiful Bertha by Moormont. Here are three youngsters that will grow into good money above the price asked for them and a producing mare that is bred in the very best of producing lines. The colts are all staked and the prices asked for them is ridiculously small. Drop Mr. Pendleton a line and get further information.

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It is so plain that it is difficult to pass without noticing the additional attention that secretaries are paying to the events for youngsters in this year's events, says Western Horseman. Not only are the associations with mile tracks including two, three or four events for two and three-year-olds in their programs, but half-mile track associations are including like events, which in former years failed to pay the slightest notice to the juveniles. It is a fine tribute to the growing importance of juvenile racing, and also a proof that owners and trainers are alive to the possibilities that lie therein, for there is no stimulus that lies within the reach of horsemen themselves that will exert such a beneficial influence on the breeding industry as more colt racing, both of trotting and pacing youngsters.

MR. HARRIMAN BUYS NALA.

That sentiment is not dead, at least in the hearts of sportsmen, was proven at the Durland sale in New York last week, when Mr. Joseph W. Harriman bought in his old favorite show horse, Nala, and turned him over to his former trainer, "Jack" Donnelly, to be shipped by him to Mr. Harriman's farm in New Jersey, where he will spend the remainder of his life at ease.

Although sadly blemished by an enlargement of one of his knees, the splendid old high-stepping champion showed up in fine form, and the query went round the auction block as to why a man having the means to possess so beautiful a creature should put him to the risk of possibly going into hands that would mean his degradation. No one let it be known, of course, but the friends of the consignor naturally felt that the latter must have made some provision against such an unsportsmanly contingency.

Nala is a standard and registered trotter and was regarded as the heavy-harness horse par excellence of the American trotting family, and was always cited as an illustration of the trotter's versatility, although advocates of the English Hackney maintained that he was one of the exceptions to the rule and therefore to be classified as an anomaly.

It has always been deeply regretted that he could not have been used in the stud and become the fountain source of an American breed of shapely, stylish carriage horses.

If Mr. Harriman had not been the one to obtain the horse, there were several fine sportsmen present, actuated by his same noble motives, who would have saved the animal from commercial hands.

Mr. Harriman's bid, and the only bid made, was $500.

Nala won the championship in heavy harness four times at the National Horse Show in Madison Square Garden.—Rider and Driver.

EIGHT WEEKS OF HARNESS RACING SURE.

A circuit of harness races that will be well worth training horses for is certain for California this year.

The Trotting Horse Breeders' Association will lead off at Santa Rosa during the week of August 7th to 12th, with $15,500 in purses and stakes.

Dixon, a real live horse center that has a good half mile track but has not given a regular meeting for twenty years, proposes taking the week following Santa Rosa and has definitely announced its dates as August 16, 17, 18 and 19.

Woodland, where one of the best and fastest mile tracks on the Pacific coast is located, and which has never yet given a poor meeting, will doubtless take the week following Dixon. No certain announcement has been made by the Yolo people but they have a live commercial organization which we understand is considering giving as good a fair as was ever held in that county, and of course a good race program will be the chief part of the amusement end.

The California State Fair with $20,000 already announced as the amount to be hung up for trotters, pacers and runners, has selected September 2nd to 9th inclusive as its dates and the fair will be the greatest ever held in California.

The Alameda County Fair will be held at Pleasanton the week following the State Fair, and there will be a program of harness races at California's training center or four-fifths of the people who live in that section of Alameda county will be too sick to attend the fair.

The big Fresno Fair will probably follow Alameda, then will come the Kings County Fair at Hanford, and the Riverside Fair in October.

Ventura will repeat its big success of 1915 this year and will take the same week as Pleasanton, but the two places are so far apart that they can easily occupy the same dates, there being plenty of horses in California to supply both programs.

The Arizona State Fair at Phoenix will open November 13th for a week's racing, which will give California horsemen an opportunity to race there after their home racing season has ended.

As nearly all the horses in California will be ready to race by the middle of July there is a splendid opportunity for enterprising towns where mile or half-mile tracks are located to give meetings that will attract large entry lists.

The California Circuit of 1916 will certainly provide eight or ten weeks of racing, and it can be made much longer with a little action and enterprise.

Racers bred in France do not understand English, and this fact is causing the trainers, hostlers and stable lads a heap of trouble. A few of the trainers and many of the older jockeys have been employed from time to time in France and their services are in demand as interpreters at the tracks these mornings. The situation would be wholly farcical but for the owners' fear that they will not have the highly valued imported horses properly groomed and ridden through the lack of understanding between the men and the French equines.

When an exercising boy wants a racer to stop he forgets his lessons and shouts, "Whoa!" The French horse understands only "Gardé" and breaks into a faster gallop unless the jockey is strong enough to check him by main strength, or, which is seldom the case, happens to recall the French word he needs.

"Get up!" shouts another boy, as he urges his mount from a walk into a canter, but the horse, who has his ears cocked to hear the order "Allons!" maintains a snail-like rate of progress. Then the boy starts something, and the trainer has an uneasy moment until he restores peace between horse and rider.

"Swipes," as the hostlers are always dubbed about the racing stables, have even greater woes. The French horses, in their ignorance of good old race-course slang, simply won't "get over there," or "come, back up now!" or "quit your kicking, dang you!" but continue to baffle by a stupid misunderstanding the painstaking efforts of the stable hands to currycomb, brush down or to saddle and bridle their charges.

No sign language has so far been discovered to bring about a mutual good understanding between the human beings and the French horses. The owners and trainers are in a quandary, for slow training will have the horses backward in condition when the time comes to send them to the post. Meantime, every barn o' nights is an experimental school of languages.

LIVE HORSE NEWS FROM SACRAMENTO.

Mr. John A. McKerron, who to the regret of every horseman on the Pacific Coast has retired from active business in making and selling the best harness and horse boots ever used in this country and who in an unguarded moment accepted an offer for his fine fruit farm in Santa Clara county, is finding it extremely difficult to "kill time" these days. After 40 years of active and successful life in San Francisco, he feels "like a fish out of water" with so much time on his hands. One day last week he, in company with the popular veterinary dentist, Dr. I. B. Dalziel, made an auto trip to Pleasanton, Stockton, Sacramento and other towns in the interior. Mr. McKerron says he was highly entertained at the State Fair track at Sacramento, where a large number of trotters and pacers are being put in condition for the races this year. The track is in fine shape and the horses are showing remarkable speed for this early in the season.

Lon Daniels has no less than 16 head in training for Charley Silva and they have about decided to try conclusions with the trotters and pacers on the other side of the Rocky Mountains this year. Mr. McKerron states that Daniels has more speed in his stable than he has ever developed this early and at the same time his horses are in good shape, strong and healthy. Potrero Boy 2:06¼ has only been a mile in 2:14 but he has paced a half in 1:01 so handily that Daniels is confident he will lower his record whenever it is necessary. The four-year-old Colonel Mazuma has paced a mile in 2:09 and a half in 1:02. Mr. McKerron saw him turn the track in 2:12 very handily, with Bondalean 2:06¼ behind him all the way. Little Jack, a three-year-old trotter, has shown a mile in 2:25, half in 1:11 and a quarter in 33½ seconds. Mr. Daniels says the best three-year-old pacer he has ever handled is Stanley Quinn, a brown gelding by Dan Logan 2:07½. He has been a mile in 2:13 so nicely and shows so much class that he looks to be a sensational member of a very sensational family. The two-year-old Col. Ansel has shown a quarter in 34 seconds. San Felipe 2:09¼ is as good and perhaps a little better than he ever was. He has trotted a nice mile in 2:13 with a half in 1:02 in which he acted like a race horse. Kid Cupid 2:08¼ is also in fine order; the fastest of his work has been a mile in 2:11, half in 1:02 and a quarter in 30 seconds. Bondalean 2:06¼ paced a workout mile in 2:12, and showed a half in 1:02 with a final quarter in 30¾ seconds that was not all she could do by considerable. John Malcolm 2:09¼, last year's fastest four-year-old gelding, looks to be this year's fastest five-year-old, as he showed the last half in 1:01 in a mile in 2:12, which is probably the fastest half any pacer has shown this year. The trotter Con Brino 2:10 has a lot of speed, a half in 1:04 being within his capacity. He has been a full mile in 2:12. The two-year-old pacer Merrill has shown a half handily in 1:10 and is most promising. These horses have all been at work since about the first of February.

Walter Tryon has Mr. S. H. Cowell's string in working order. Rastus 2:05¼ has paced a mile in 2:12¾ with the last quarter in 30½ seconds; John Mac 2:12¼ has worked a mile in 2:16, coming from the half mile pole easily in 1:06, and Albaloma 2:08¼ trotted a mile in 2:12¾ with the final quarter in 30½ seconds. Geo. Woodard 2:07½, Panama 2:10¼ and the two Peter the Great colts are all doing nicely. Dixon Boy, that son of The Patchen Boy that worked the Sacramento track last winter in 2:08, has not been asked to cover a mile this spring better than 2:15, but he paced a half in 1:02½ with the last quarter in 29½ seconds, the other day, and looks like a real race horse.

John Quinn has not given his charges any stiff miles as yet, but is occasionally letting them march through the stretch at racing speed. The green mare which Mr. M. L. Woy of Fresno sent him this spring and which had shown a mile close to 2:10 at the trot, is working nicely but has not yet been let down for any speedy miles. A three-year-old by Moko Hall has been a mile in 2:29, and Mr. G. W. Davis' mare by Demonio has shown 2:24 with a quarter in 31 seconds at the pace. W. A. Perley, a two-year-old by The Proof 2:10¾, is a very likely colt; then there is a four-year-old and a three-year-old by Ray o' Light 2:08¾ that have worked in 2:24 and 2:27 respectively. A green mare by Sir John S. is considered quite a prospect.

Wm. Ivey, Jay Frank, Chris Jorgensen, Tom Holmes, James Thompson and others have horses and colts in training that much could be said about, but Mr. McKerron was called away to attend a meeting of the P. C. T. H. B. A., of which he has been a director ever since that association was organized, before our representative could get any more notes from him. He and Dr. Dalziel both speak in the highest terms of the way in which the State Fair grounds and stables are being kept and believe the State Fair of 1916 will be the best ever.

A LITTLE CAYUSE MARE.

She was only a little cayuse mare. A present on his fourteenth birthday, some ten years before. She had been the companion of his boyhood. She carried him to high school. It was with the mare and the new red buggy, and right proud was he of both, that he ventured to call on his first girl. And in later years the little mare went with him to college and still later she was shipped to Montana to help in making that new home in the West.

Gentle, affectionate, always to be trusted, she had been the boy's best friend during those all-important years when childish illusions are laid away with tops and blocks and the other playthings of life's early days; she was still his comrade when the youth emerged into the man.

And now under the fitful, wintry sunlight, with the chill wind congealing the tears that slowly followed one another down his cheeks, he was slowly rounding up the frozen earth that marked her last resting place.

To the boys on the ranch she was only a cayuse mare, growing old and worthless; to him she was more than most people—comrade, companion of a hundred happy escapades of childhood, the last link which bound him to those boyhood days when life seemed so simple, the friend who never betrayed him.

To the ranch men her death was merely an incident. To him it was a tragedy. And who is there that shall call him less of a man because the tears welled up at the loss of this friend of the days when life was young? How often has this scene been repeated since the days when man and horse first came together?

Down from the days before history was first carved on Egyptian stone, from the days when legends and traditions were handed from father to son, from bard to harper, come tales of the love of a man and his horse.

Man wrought civilization, but not by himself alone. Ever at his side, working steadily, suffering with him and willing to give life itself in his service, was man's best friend—the horse.

No one could calculate what the world would have been without him. He alone made possible the conquest of the prairie. He brought the first men, hauled their food and supplies, rounded up their cattle and turned their sod. Even in this day of marvelous mechanical devices for performing farm work he is still indispensable as in the early days of the pioneer.

It is a far cry for some of us, from the heart of the dusty city to the vastness of a wind-swept plain; from the cushioned seat of a limousine to the swaying creak of a saddle, yet it comes to us all at times. At times it comes to the city bred man who has never bestrode a horse just as strongly as it comes to you and me, who were raised on horseback; it is that instinctive love, bred through the years of many centuries; the love of a man for his horse. The passing years take their toll from all of us, they destroy many of the illusions that are with us when first we start out in life; yet the love and trust of man and horse go hand in hand until the end.—Great Falls Farmer.

An instance of hitting the nail squarely on the head is the following from the New York Rider and Driver: "Efforts to prevent the 'reckless driving' of automobiles by licensing all drivers, men, women and children, professional and amateur, is like shooting the 'innocent spectator' in a riot of thugs. It is not the person with 'little experience in handling automobiles' who does the mischief but the very expert who will take chances which the others, through timidity, would never dream of risking. Police efficiency and not more legislation is what is needed—arresting the reckless driver the same as a disorderly person would be arrested in a peaceful assembly."

In answer to an inquiry by Howard D. Kerr of Sacramento: Little Brown Jug was a brown gelding foaled in 1875 and took a record of 2:11¾ at Hartford, Conn., August 24th, 1881. He was sired by Tom Hal Jr., dam Lizzie, dam of Brown Hal 2:12½, by John Netherland, grandam Blackie by John Hal.

Thoroughbred Matters

TWENTY LEADING SIRES IN AMERICA IN 1916.

So far this year the sons and daughters of Marta Santa have raced so industriously and so effectively for the credit of their daddy, that he is now leading the American sire list. Moreover, such a sum is already accumulated in his name that he is practically certain to figure high up in the list when the statistics of 1916 are compiled, says Daily Racing Form. For the whole of last year his progeny won a total of $49,007, which placed him ninth in the list of twenty. Now at this early date he stands credited with $20,345 and is far in advance of his nearest rival, which just now is Dick Welles. This latter old-time Chicago favorite has fared well of recent years and rumor has it some of his two-year-olds coming on are of great speed and promise. He begat a Kentucky Derby winner in Wintergreen early in his stud career. Next to Dick Welles is the reliable and ever prominent Star Shoot, and close up to him in money won, but only a few hundred in advance of McGee and Marathon. It is interesting to note that the two veterans, Cesarion and Sain, hold places in the select list of twenty, while the three-times premier, Broomstick, is not represented. However, so far as the latter is concerned, few of his progeny took part in the winter racing. He will be heard from presently when the big money of the turf is being contended for. Just now our twenty leading sires and the names and earnings of their representatives are:

Sire.	Performers.	Sts.	Races Won.	Amt.
Marta Santa	31	293	55	$20,345
Dick Welles	22	168	35	11,935
Star Shoot	27	191	27	10,580
McGee	16	154	28	10,385
Marathon	6	79	8	10,005
Plaudit	13	110	22	9,410
Peep O'Day	19	147	23	9,180
Cunard	13	149	22	8,970
Yankee	12	99	20	8,060
Hastings	14	154	17	7,760
Solitaire II.	16	138	21	7,655
Bonnie Joe	12	93	25	6,975
Abe Frank	11	111	19	6,880
Cesarion	10	85	17	6,350
Nasturtium	12	90	19	5,815
Sain	10	106	11	5,745
Stalwart	10	86	13	5,695
Mazagan	9	105	17	5,645
Dr. Leggo	11	93	15	5,300
Kenilworth	6	68	13	5,195
Totals (20)	280	2,519	428	$167,885

Marta Santa, b h, 1896, by Martley—Luxette, and his five largest winners are Doctor Larrick, $2,865; Jessie Louise, $1,300; Moller, $1,250; Talebearer, $1,235, and Skeets, $1,150.

The oldest horse racing in America at the present time is Budweiser, which won a couple of races during the Hot Springs meeting. He is sixteen years old and seems to be a marvel of the turf. The last time on record that Budweiser started before the late Hot Springs meeting was at New Orleans on March 26, 1906, and he ran eleventh in a race won by J. Ed Grillo. He was owned at that time by W. E. Walsh. Many inquiries have been received asking where the horse had been during this long interval. Lou and J. C. Cahn raced the horse around St. Louis, getting him from Captain J. C. Bunbury, who bought him from Joseph Lucas, who bred the horse in Missouri. Walsh is given as his last owner. George Moore, the present owner, bought him at Waco, Texas, from an unknown negro, who said he had raced the horse at Shreveport, Maringonin, La., and other places. So Budweiser must have been putting in that ten years racing at bush meetings in Louisiana and Texas. The horse was not permitted to start at Hot Springs until properly identified. Certain characteristics markings were readily noticeable and the Cahns quickly identified him.

The hunter Ravello brought $3,000 at auction in New York April 4th, and Sir Braxton, a weight carrying saddle horse, brought $2,650, at the same sale.

One of the aspects of the season's racing about New York that is expected to heighten the general interest of the public will be the appearance for the first time in every big race of horses bred in England or France. The animals had been hurried to this country because the war has put a stop to the racing activities of the owners abroad. In other seasons the appearance of an isolated starter with a foreign pedigree and reputation in any race has always been a potent attraction to racegoers, and, with the appearance of the French or English horses on the daily cards, every stake will become an international contest.

The fine weather of the week has enabled the trainers to begin moving their horses at fast gallops at Belmont Park, Gravesend and the Empire City tracks, and nearly two hundred foreign racehorses are in the strings being exercised. The two-year-olds predominate, the muster tallying to 140, but thus far, while conceding that there are some good looking ones in the invasion from abroad, the owners who have nothing but home breds to depend on have not become panic stricken at all.

No individual youngster or aged horse among the importations at work, in the opinion of owners of home-breds and trainers, may be favorably compared to such three-year-olds as H. P. Whitney's Bromo or August Belmont's Friar Rock, or with the four-year-olds Regret and Trojan. Everything that heightens the public appreciation of racing is an augury of bright hopes to the owners, whether they have only homebreds in their strings or not, and thus far they regard the unprecedented international racing complications as a straw to show the season is to be of exceptional brilliancy as to the attendance of the public and the class of the racing.

The owners of two-year-olds and older French or English bred horses in training at the three tracks include C. K. G. Billings, William R. Coe, James Butler, A. K. Macomber, H. P. Whitney, Irving Wheatcroft, Frederick Johnson, Grant Hugh Brown, Gifford A. Cochrane, Archibald Barklie and F. Watterson, of the Mirasoll Stable.

There are forty imported two-year-olds entered, to treat only of one division of the international aspect of racing, in the Jamaica stakes, fifty-eight in the Belmont Park events, sixty-six at Empire City and seventy-five at Caratoga. Each race day this season is likely to recall the thrills of the international polo cup matches.—Tribune, April 9.

Thomas Hitchcock who breeds all the steeplechase horses he races, trains them as two-year-olds although the racing rules prevent horses of that age being started in jumping events. He holds that a high rate of speed on a hard track is infinitely more injurious to the legs of colts than being put over the jumps. "I break and school my yearlings over the sticks," says Mr. Hitchcock, "at the same time of year that trainers are giving their youngsters destined for flat racing their first try-outs at that game. Even the best of these trainers express surprise when I assure them that my yearlings stand up better under cross-country schooling than the average of flat racers do. I average fewer horses which develop splints and bowed tendons among these youngsters than do the yearlings put to extreme speed for a quarter of a mile in their babyhood. It is the pace that kills, not the jumping.

"I am perfectly aware that experiments defy precedent. Regular army officers, hunting men, and breeders interested in the development of serviceable horses for officers' chargers, for cross-country riding, and for sport, have done me the honor to say they believe I am on the right track. They find my horses are sound, with good legs and feet, and that they take to jumping as naturally as a duck does to swimming, once they learn what is required of them. Horses broken as yearlings leap into their natural stride and very rarely stumble or 'come a cropper' unless rushed at a fence by a careless or overanxious groom or jockey.

"Taught to jump from the time it is bridle-wise, a horse is surer footed and more adept at going over obstacles cleanly than the older horses sent to 'chasing' after two or three seasons at flat racing. You find a parallel in golf. A boy will learn the game quickly, thoroughly, and play an almost perfect game before he is fairly out of knickerbockers. A man of my age rarely learns it so that he can compete with the youngster.

"The steeplechaser is trained in a field of soft sod; the racer on a made track which must be hard underneath in order to insure speed. Now a yearling must do his quarter in 23 or 24 seconds or better to be considered worth training. He stamps, frets and worries at the barrier before he gets a start. Then he literally pounds his way over a hard track to the end of his trial at top speed. The bones of the legs have not been fully formed. Which would naturally be the most trying, pounding over a hard track or jumping—a natural gait for a horse—on a soft field?

"I know—for I have tried both—that the quarter run at top speed on a hard track in 23 seconds hurts the bone more than a test over two hurdles in that same distance worked in 27 or 28 seconds. It is the pace that does it. I can play golf all day and come home tired, but not worn out. If I tried to run a hundred yards in 12 seconds I should be used up and 'all in' right after the trial. It is the pace that kills."

MR. BELMONT IS ENTHUSIASTIC.

New York, April 11.—August Belmont, who by virtue of his offices as chairman of The Jockey Club and President of the Westchester Racing Association, is particularly qualified to speak with authority about racing, is enthusiastic over the prospects of the coming season.

"We are, I believe, entering upon a new era in sport in this country," he said yesterday, "and those of us who are fond of racing look to the future with every degree of confidence. The turf has made a host of new friends who will play an important part in the development of the sport. The purchase of so many highly bred English and French horses will insure stronger competition. Entries everywhere for stake events show a gratifying increase over last year, and we shall now have a chance of testing the merits of our horses with those of foreign countries whose opportunities to breed high-class thoroughbreds have been greater than ours.

"The presence of upward of over 200 of these animals in this country is going to mean much to the future of the thoroughbred, especially in its relation to the breeding industry. The production of good horses has always been more or less of an obligation on the breeders of the United States, but in the light of what is transpiring in Mexico, where I note our cavalry is suffering because of a lack of horses that are capable of negotiating the rugged country, it becomes an imperative duty.

"We are all greatly impressed," continued Mr. Belmont, "by the testimonial given racing as it is conducted in this state by Governor Whitman, who, in reply to the recent query of Mr. Stone of Baltimore said that the Hughes legislation had accomplished all that could be done to prevent racetrack betting, and that the people of New York State did not believe that it had been a serious blow to decent racing. The attendance at the various tracks in the vicinity of New York and at Saratoga in 1915 would indicate that there are very many thousands of our best citizens who are in accord with the sentiments expressed by the Governor."

A good program of running races will be provided at the California State Fair this year.

Cavalry horses, to be first class, must have a large preponderance of thoroughbred blood in their veins, is the expert opinion of cavalry horse buyers in every country that has an army that amounts to anything.

Last Post, a Canadian bred mare by Martimas, dam Flicker by Derwentwater, that won several races last fall at various club meetings in and about New York, also distinguished herself by winning first prize in a class for horses ridden by children at the New York Riding Club. Last Post was ridden by little Miss Amy Sparks and showed perfect manners.

King George has presented his stallion Anmer to the Canadian Government at Ottawa, to be used as a sire of cavalry horses. This is the horse that was stopped in the Epsom Derby by a suffragette who lost her life in the action.

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ANGLERS—BETTER GET YOUR LICENSE.

Mr. and Mrs. Angler—your attention is respectfully called to the fact that the opening of the trout season will be here one week from Monday—May 1st—and the laws of California set forth that you require a license to whip the streams and lakes of the State. J. S. Hunter of the Fish and Game Commission reports that licenses have been taken out in numbers since January 1st but the real rush will come during the coming week.

Reports received are that trout conditions in the Coast range waters are excellent. In the mountainous counties it is feared that the streams and creeks are a bit high for the best sport right off the reel, but from the majority of favorite spots the word is passed that conditions were never more ideal.

The Commission has been having the streams carefully patrolled for some weeks past as a protective measure to guard against anglers fishing out of season and to protect the streams.

COL. E. R. CUTHBERT IN PANAMA.

The many friends of Col. E. R. Cuthbert, who number by the hundreds in rod and gun circles, will likely be interested to know of his doings in Panama. He left here several months ago for a hunting and fishing trip and tells of his experience in the following letter to W. H. Price:—

Pocri, Cocle, Panama, March 27, 1916

My dear Mr. Price:

I have been in this place just a month. I have been all over the Provences of Cocle, Los Santor and Veraguas on horseback. Some trip, I can tell you. I bought a mighty good horse when I arrived but he is pretty thin now, although I have fed him extra well. I have dropped about twenty-five pounds and can do my 35 or 40 miles a day all O. K. Some days I nearly melt in the saddle.

There are mighty few bridges in this country and some of the rivers are pretty deep and can only be crossed in a canoe, and the horses have to swim. I have enjoyed these long trips through the country, as I have seen a lot of things that were new to me and at the same time instructive. I have been going on farther up the country and will get to David Chiriqui. It will probably take me a month longer.

The people and country are all quite different from either Mexico or Guatemala. The names of many things are quite different. Most wonderful of all is the coloration. Of course, yon know that the Indian was the original inhabitant, then came the Spaniard who mixed with the Indian and then, in 1850, when they started to build the Panama Railroad, they brought a lot of West Indian negroes and they started another cross with that breed. Since then they have a lot of French from old canal-timers and the Americans came last. You never in your wildest imagination could conceive such a jungle that stands here as a race. Nearly white children with kinky hair and black ones with straight hair of every imaginable shade in between. It is beyond doubt that around Panama City and canal zone, 75 per cent of the inhabitants are negroes. But away up in the mountains in the interior of the country you can see traces of negro blood.

This is the original home of the hook-worm. The doctor here in charge tells me that 75 per cent of the people are affected. I can see it myself, especially among the children. The doctor says they are curing it, but as soon as they leave it will take hold of the people again, as no one can get them to change their ways of living.

I will write again to you some day.

Yours sincerely, E. R. CUTHBERT.

MAY PUT BOUNTY ON SPARROWS.

Unless action of an effective nature is taken at once, Southern California will be overrun with the "Curse of Peabody," commonly known as the English Sparrow.

Such is the warning given by the Fish and Game Commission, which has had reports from San Bernardino, Pasadena, Oceanside, Newhall and other outside cities telling of the presence of the pest.

Acting upon the Oceanside report, the San Diego county patrol was detailed to investigate, and reported the job was well beyond the capacity of any one man to handle. The birds had secured a foothold. Several were shot and mounted for identification purposes. An arrangement is being made whereby 5 cents bounty per bird brought in is to be paid to a shooter for cleaning up the little invaders.

Sparrows breed with great rapidity and are easily accommodated as to housing. The big fan palms, particularly the older ones with the dead leaves fallen to the trunks, are their delight.

The chief objection to the sparrow is its pugnacious habit of fighting away song and insectivorous birds. It does no good whatever.

Unless concerted effort is made to head off the sparrow before it becomes fully established it will have become impossible to eradicate it. The bird is most adaptable, and thrives in any moderate climate.

FLY-CASTING RECORD BROKEN.

W. D. Mansfield broke his heavy tackle fly-casting record of 134 feet, established at the international tournament at the exposition, twice in the opening tournament of the San Francisco Club at Stow Lake on Saturday and Sunday. On Saturday he made a cast of 150 feet, beating his old mark of 134 feet, and the following day duplicated the performance.

F. H. Reed made the highest score in delicacy and accuracy, with a creditable score of 5½ demerits. C. H. Kewell took first place in heavy tackle accuracy with only 5 demerits. C. H. Gardner came nearest the bullseye in ½-ounce accuracy with 9 demerits. F. J. Cooper made the longest single cast in ½-ounce lure distance, with 225 feet. C. H .Kewell was second, with 200 feet.

On Sunday, P. W. Shattuck, C. H. Kewell and Stanley Forbes were judges; F. J. Cooper referee, and Charles E. Hills Jr., clerk. The officers on Saturday were: F. J. Cooper, James Springer and C. H. Kewell, judges; P. W. Shattuck, referee, and Charles E. Hills, Jr., clerk.

Saturday's results—

Contestant.	—Delicacy— Accy.	Dlcy.	Net.	H. T. Accy.
F. H. Reed	9	5	7	20
F. J. Cooper	23	5	14	16
Stanley Forbes	14	15	14½	18
F. A. Webster	17	15	16	7
Col. C. G. Young	26	15	20½	23
P. W. Shattuck	32	35	33½	16
C. H. Gardner	25	45	35	18
James Springer	20	50	40	23
C. H. Kewell	57	30	43½	16
E. A. Rogers	37	60	48½	16
E. A. Crawford	45	75	60	27

Heavy Tackle Distance.—F. J. Cooper 115, Stanley Forbes 120, F. A. Webster 110, C. H. Gardner 90, Jas. Springer 90, E. A. Crawford 80 and W. D. Mansfield 150.

Half-Ounce Lure Accuracy.—F. H. Reed 130, F. J. Cooper 10, Stanley Forbes 25, F. A. Webster 18, Colonel C. G. Young 19, P. W. Shattuck 14, C. H. Gardner 10, James Springer 72, C. H. Kewell 29.

Half-Ounce Distance—F. J. Cooper 167, Stanley Forbes 162, F. A. Webster 95 and C. H. Gardner 162.

Sunday's scores—

Contestant.	—Delicacy— Accy.	Dlcy.	Net.	H. T. Accy.
F. H. Reed	6	5	5½	16
W. D. Mansfield	14	0	7	16
Dr. W. E. Brooks	17	5	11	20
Col. C. G. Young	9	15	12	15
Stanley Forbes	26	20	23	7
C. H. Kewell	14	35	24½	5
H. B. Sperry	26	35	30½	20
F. J. Cooper	28	40	34	14
H. A. Thomsen, Jr.	43	30	36½	17
P. W. Shattuck	26	65	45½	8
A. Sperry	49	55	52	25
W. M. Gerstle	35	75	55	89
E. A. Rogers	49	65	57	11
C. H. Gardner	47	70	58½	13
E. N. Borg	62	75	68½	82
Dr. O. Westerfeld	..	..	..	54
Ed Taylor	..	..	..	60

Heavy Tackle Distance.—F. H. Reed 115, W. D. Mansfield 150, Stanley Forbes 120, C. H. Kewell 120, H. B. Sperry 115, F. J. Cooper 115, H. A. Thomsen Jr. 115, P. W. Shattuck 115, A. Sperry 130, E. A. Rogers 125, C. H. Gardner 115, Dr. O. Westerfeld 105, William Crawford 100 and J. F. Burgin 115.

Half-Ounce Lure Accuracy—F. H. Reed 137, W. D. Mansfield 22, Colonel C. G. Young 17, Stanley Forbes 15, C. H. Kewell 20, H. B. Sperry 56, F. J. Cooper 16, P. W. Shattuck 40, H. A. Thomsen Jr. 36, A. Sperry 11, W. M. Gerstle 85, C. H. Gardner 9 and Ed Taylor 45.

Half-Ounce Distance.—Stanley Forbes 172, C. H. Kewell 182, F. J. Cooper 183, C. H. Gardner 86 and Dr. O. Westerfeld 108.

FISHERMAN SNORES AND ROWS.

The discovery has been made that there resides in San Francisco the "wonder fisherman." He is so termed because of the marvelous fact that he can row a boat while sound asleep and thus save much valuable time that would otherwise be lost. You might set this down as another fish story, but it is vouched for by a man whose word cannot be doubted. The "wonder fisherman" is Louis Gotthelf. He is a good, strong oarsman, too, and keeps his stroke in with the snores. Louis, so they say, can get up in the middle of the night with but a few hours' slumber, climb into a boat and snore while pulling to the fishing point picked out. When he gets his rod out he can be fresh and wide awake ,as can be testified to by the fact that Louis landed a fifty-two-pound striped bass with light tackle last season at Napa drawbridge.

Cardover Lady, a bull bitch recently imported by Mrs. Anita M. Baldwin, will be one of the many crack dogs that will be shown under the Baldwin colors at the Golden Gate show.

SALMON FISHING IN OREGON.

While trout fishing continues the favorite sport of California's fishermen, reports from the Northwest indicate that there has been an unusual amount of interest taken in salmon fishing and it is reported that this particular brand of fish is likely to be in bad for a time this season, if preparations for the quest of the salmon in the various rod and reel clubs counts for anything.

Salmon fishing in the Willamette and other streams throughout Oregon has come to be one of the most popular pastimes of Portland sportsmen. The river below the Oregon City Falls is alive with small boats filled with fishermen who are endeavoring to land a fish that will bring them one of the many prizes that are being offered by various clubs. The tackle prescribed by the Oregon Salmon Club, which is given a large measure of the credit for popularizing the sport, consists of a line with an 18 pound manufacturer's test, and rod not shorter than five feet and weighing no more than six ounces.

400 DOGS FOR GOLDEN GATE SHOW.

When the Golden Gate Kennel Club dog show opens next Thursday at Dreamland Rink some of the best dogs on the Pacific Coast will be on exhibition. More than four hundred dogs have been entered for the event. Walter H. Reeves, who will judge all breeds, will arrive here from Chicago tomorrow or Monday. The following fanciers will have their dogs on exhibition: Mayor Rolph, Jack Bradshaw, O. F. Vedder, Walter W. Stettheimer, Irving C. Ackerman, Miss Lydia K. Hopkins, Mrs. C. J. Lindgren, Miss Edith Chesebrough, Mrs. E. F. Brown, Dr. T. Martin Smith, Mrs. Anita M. Baldwin and many others.

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Browndale Violet and Browndale Perry, two six-months-old blue-merle collie puppies, will be exhibited by Mrs. E. F. Brown of the Browndale kennels. International champion Seedley Blue Sky, the sire of the puppies, will also be exhibited.

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Jack Bradshaw is expected home today with the string of famous dogs that he imported from England. No one seems to know just what Jack has "under cover." But as every local fancier knows, he never has a "mut," some surprises are expected at the coming show.

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A. J. Molera is getting his crack little Scottish terrier, Butterscotch, in trim for the coming show. Laddie before coming to this country won many prizes in England and Scotland.

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Vinton P. Breese will be the all-rounder at the coming Ladies' Kennel Association of Massachusetts fixture, which takes place at Auburndale, Mass., on Sunday, June 7. Other judges selected to date are Joseph Komenda, president of the French Bulldog Club of New England, who is slated to take care of that breed, and Mr. Kinder, who will judge the Boston terriers.

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The heavyweight bulldog, Dundee Camperdown, which has been re-registered Camperdown—on-the-Path, has been bought by C. M. Robertson, of Montreal. He is coming from Dundee, Scotland, to his new owner.

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It must be very pleasing to the Californians after shipping their "apples" so far as a New York show, to find their sporty efforts meet with equally sporty success. Mr. Williams, with his now famous Illuminator pup Crack Shot, that did so well in Airedales at New York, and Mr. Ollard's Irish terrier that was in a crate ten days through some misunderstanding, is another example of pluck rewarded, especially when it is known that she was "unsung and unhandled," being in the hands of strangers.—American Fancier.

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Bulldog folks will be sorry to learn that the dam of Woodcraft Model, the famous little English bitch that was sent out to the Coast, Woodcraft Baroness, is dead. This is a great loss, for we believe she was in whelp to Model and was sent out to the Coast a short time ago.

DEER FOUND DEAD WHEN SNOW MELTS.

The snow having melted on the east side of McCloud river, from Redding Pool to Ghost Camp, the bodies of a great many dead deer are revealed.

Eighty-three carcasses were counted by forest rangers—sixty-three bucks and twenty does. The animals perished in the snow for want of food, for there is no evidence whatever that any of them were killed by mountain lions or coyotes.

The snow is still three feet deep between Sisson and McCloud. The first automobile made the trip between the two towns this week, but this was possible only after several days' work by teams, scrapers and snow shovelers.

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Rabbit With $25 Still Loose.—More than 5,000 jackrabbits were killed in a rabbit drive in fields near Escalon, twenty miles southwest of Stockton.

Participating in the shoot were mare than 2,000 hunters, and after the slaughter a picnic luncheon was served by the committee in charge of the affair. A $25 check had been tied to a ribbit which was turned loose, but that animal was not killed.

Sportsmen's Row

Trout season opens on May 1st. Only a few more days for you to pick out your favorite stream or lake.

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You do not want to miss the Breeder and Sportsman when the season gets under way. Reports will be carried every week of the fishing conditions in all sections.

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Seventy-three at the monthly shoot of the Golden Gate Club gives some idea of the interest taken in trapshooting around the bay.

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As you going to take in the Golden Gate merchandise shoot tomorrow? There's a chance to win a prize and a general good time.

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A. G. Flickinger, who was high amateur last Sunday with 49x50, did not shoot over his head. Last season he broke 1672 out of 1780 targets in registered tournaments for an average of .9393.

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O. N. Ford is enthusiastic over prospects for the best shoot the California-Nevada Association ever had. It will be staged at San Jose on May 28, 29, 30 and 31.

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W. A. Clark, a Tiburon boatman, reports good bass fishing in the bay there, having landed an average of eight to ten fish a day, ranging in weight from four to six pounds. The largest he caught weighed twenty-seven pounds and frequently he has hooked and brought to gaff fish of from eighteen to twenty pounds. He has been using a No. 5 all-silver spoon in his trolling instead of the usual brass and silver lure.

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During the last week Frank Carroll landed eleven fish at San Pablo, the bass weighing four or five pounds each. Because of the presence of many net fishermen the bass there have not been running large, though there are plenty of small ones.

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Adam Hackmeier last week caught an eleven-pounder from the bridge at Wingo. Fishing in this locality has not begun to get good yet. The fish do not seem to be present to be caught ,though those that have been taken have all been of good size.

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R. N. Rutzuist caught a 35-pound royal chinook salmon above Clackamas Rapids last week-end. For the catch he will receive a handsome reel offered by the Salmon Club of Oregon. This may be the largest fish caught this month, and if so, Rutzuist will land another prize for that honor.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Wilkes, devotees of the traps, have departed for New York to spend a couple of weeks. They will be missed at local tournaments.

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C. D. Carmen is coming to the front in jumps. Clyde can hit the ducks but we did not know he could get the knack of blue rock shooting so quickly.

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The One-Barrel Pete Murphy showed up Sunday with his Elk head white sweater. Pete tried some of his old tricks and received lots of applause.

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A. H. Beetham is one of the simon-pure amateurs who abhors cash prizes. We hope he wins one of the champagne orders tomorrow.

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Game Warden Barnett, after a careful survey of the Ventura and Santa Clara rivers, says that there are more fish and larger fish this year than ever before. Barnett says there has been an unprecedented run of steelhead this season. Standing on the beach at the mouth of the Ventura and Santa Clara rivers one can see hundreds of the big fish swimming into the rivers, and the big holes in the rivers are full of trout, larger than at any time last season. Barnett believes that the delay of one month in opening the season will be of decided betterment to the sport. There will be more moss, but while this may inconvenience the fishermen it will protect the fish.

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The development of tuna and yellowtail fishing in the waters of the channel at Ventura will be given attention by local resort men and sportsmen this season, if plans of Game Warden Jack Barnett materialize. "The fishing for tuna, yellowtail and such fish is just as good here as in the Catalina district," said Game Warden Barnett; "the only difference being one of the period when they are running. If Ventura sportsmen would get together and have the necessary boating facilities the sport at Ventura in July would be found to be just as good as that in the waters about Catalina. Tuna and yellowtail abound in the channel here."

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The Du Pont trap shooting school at Atlantic City now attracts hundreds of persons every day. It is the only school of its kind in the world, and it attracts the experts as well as the beginners.

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The Lewiston, Idaho, Gun Club is holding its annual tournament in that city on April 24 and 25. This is a registered shoot. The club has put up $500 in cash and many valuable trophies.



MISS GENEVIEVE J. MEYERS

A fair San Francisco trap shot who distinguished herself at San Jose a couple of Sundays ago by breaking 83 out of a 100.

Fishing for Royal Chinook salmon is at its height, starting last Sunday at Oregon City. The Salmon Club of Oregon has offered 48 prizes for various kinds of catches within Oregon waters. The prizes are valued at more than $550 altogether.

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"Please give me a gun that does not buck." This was the request made of President Allan W. Strowger of the Portland Gun Club last Sunday by one of the women who participated in the beginners' event during the annual barbecue. Prexy Strowger did his best and succeeded in finding a gun that carried only a little "kick" in it.

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Harry E. Whitney of Anthony, Kan., and one of the best known trap shooters in Kansas, scratched the right thumb on a bone while dressing a duck quite recently, blood poison set in and he died several days later. He won the Denver sweepstakes in 1912 and the Elliott Interstate trophy in 1914.

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Throughout the country the trap shooting clubs are staging booster shoots and working up all sorts of schemes to make the tournaments all bigger than in former years. Everywhere the slogan is, "Bring a friend along."

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The Marin County Kennel Club announces its annual show for Decoration Day, Tuesday, May 30, 1916, with Chris Shuttleworth as the show secretary and superintendent. The club has already received assurances of a large number of specials, and, with a good slate of judges to be announced shortly, the club hopes to secure a large and representative entry.

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Los Angeles Club.—Scores made at the Los Angeles club last Sunday follow:

Name and handicap—	* 50 birds.	**50 birds
H. Cline (16)	46	41
O. Evans (17)	45	42
S. Vories (19	45	45
C. F. Nichols (18)	44	42
C. H. Knight (pro.), (22)	44	46
H. Pfirrmann (22)	43	50
O. Council (18)	43	44
C. L. Nickle (19)	43	46
F. H. Mellus (22)	42	47
W. Dougherty (18)	42	45
F. H. Nichols (19)	42	43
L. R. Mellus (17)	41	45
W. Brauer (16)	40	31
V. A. Rossback (16)	39	39
L. H. Brown (16)	37	34
A. M. Bernhart (18)	35	48
Mrs. H. Pfirrmann (16)	32	32
Neil Nickle (16)	30	32
H. E. Sargent (17)	29	34

*Diamond Pin Shoot.

**L. A. Gun Club Event. The following also took part: R. H. Hamline (16) 37, F. Free 42, C. B. Meyers 31, R. L. Corbaley 29, J. C. Clinsan 35, G. Persinger 44, B. G. Adams 40, H. A. Sullivan 47, F. L. Gibson 31, J. A. Gibson 37, D. G. Kinney 42, J. W. Traylor 26, Mrs. A. Pachmayer 30, M. D. Towne 34, E. E. Ekdale 42.

Practice scores—F. H. Nichols 45x50, H. E. Sargent 45x50, C. B. Meyers 55x75, R. L. Corbaley 31x75, B. L. Graves 89x100, C. M. Wood 84x100, E. C. Crossman (20 and 12-bore) 84x100, Mrs. E. C. Crossman (20 and 12-bore) 75x100, E. S. Fullerton 19x25, W. H. Wilshire 44x50, J. Steel 23x25, N. H. Wilson 20x25, G. L. Gulley 23x25, C. A. Jones 15x25, J. C. Griffith 19x25, H. M. Smith 21x25, L. Fessenden 29x50, F. H. Teeple 22x25.

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Green Lake Club.—Another record crowd was on hand April 9th at the regular weekly shoot of the Green Lake Club of Seattle, and while the strong wind interfered with good shooting, some very fine scores were hung up.

I. M. Fisher, professional, carried off high honors for the day with a straight run of fifty, which was remarkable shooting with the wind blowing as it did.

L. S. Barnes, with 48 out of 50, succeeded in nosing out Matt Grossman by one target for the high amateur score.

In the second contest for the city hall trophy, E. R. Bacon headed the list with Barnes, Grossman, Dr. Mills, Dr. Kidd, Rosenfield and Geltz close behind.

L. H. Reid turned in the high score Saturday by breaking 50 straight, and Judge Gordon, Tom Wilkes and C. E. McKelvey tied for second honors with 45. Mrs. Mills, Mrs. Barnes and Mrs. Conklin were also out warming up for the next ladies' event at the Green Lake grounds. The scores, at 50 targets:—

I. M. Fisher* 50, L. S. Barnes 48, M. Grossman 47, Dr. King 44, J. W. Geltz 44, C. E. McKelvey 44, L. H. Reid* 44, D. Rhodes* 44, E. R. Van Vleck 42, George H. Hambright* 41, C. B. Fitzgerald 41, W. C. Smith 41, F. C. Riehl* 40, J. H. Hopkins 40, Dr. A. B. Kidd 40, Dr. R. V. Mills 39, E. R. Bacon 39, J. C. Wright 37, G. D. Horst 37, G. A. Conklin 37, George Edling 37, M. G. Knight 36, C. Winslow 36, F. H. White 36, M. A. Rosenfield 35, Dr. J. F. Hill 35, J. V. Hough 33, Dr. M. A. Winningham 31, Fred Wing 30, N. Paschall 29, Harry Muhl 28, Dr. S. W. Giffin 28, Dr. S. W. Case 27, C. W. Bandy 27, S. E. Bacon 26, J. F. McRee 26, George Colwell 21, R. Earnest 12, L. A. Loomis 9, C. Wright 2.

Saturday's scores, 50 targets—

L. H. Reid* 50, Tom Wilkes 45, Judge Gordon 45, C. E. McKelvey 45, C. B. Fitzgerald 44, M. Holbridge 38, L. S. Barnes 42, G. A. Conklin 40, Jack Landon 38, Dan Landon 34, T. D. Bolton 31, Dr. R. V. Mills 32, Dr. S. W. Case 26, J. W. Geltz 24, P. MacRae 26, Mrs. Barnes 13, Mrs. Conklin 9, Mrs. Mills 8.

(*Professional.)

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Seattle Association.—Trapshooting received its share of the honors among the many sports on tap on April 9th, when seven squads of shooters shot from the new trap platforms out at Harbor Island. The Seattle Trapshooters' Association now has its club house and grounds in tip-top shape and everything is about in readiness for the state tournament, which is to take place next month. Several new features, now used by Eastern clubs, are to be installed, however.

The shooting saw the last event of the Everding trophy handicap, the results, owing to unfinished shooting, being between Searle, Bacher and Hemrich.

High scores for the day were divided between Mat Grossman and C. E. McKelvey with forty-six broken targets to their credit. L. H. Reid missed only one of the 50 and stood high professional.

Nat Paschall and J. F. McRee were on the grounds for the first time this season. Paschall showed the results of shooting with a hand trap. F. Phiscator was also a new man on the grounds this year.

Scores, 50 targets:—

Shooter—	15	15	20	Total
M. Grossman	13	14	19	46
H. Fleming	14	12	15	41
G. M. Valentine	12	12	15	39
W. B. Taft	10	10	17	37
J. H. Hopkins	10	15	16	41
C. R. Sydman	10	12	13	35
L. H. Reid*	15	15	19	49
R. Kinzer	11	13	15	39
C. W. Bandy	10	6	11	27
R. Searle	15	19	17	41
I. Fisher*	13	15	19	47
D. Rhodes*	13	14	18	45
C. E. McKelvey	13	14	19	46
Van Woodaman	8	9	9	26
Tom Wilkes	14	13	16	43
J. W. Cochran	6	11	9	26
F. Phiscator	11	12	16	39
Guy McPherson	8	5	12	25
C. A. Canuck	10	15	16	39
H. Wilman	12	11	16	39
J. Bacher	13	15	17	45
F. W. Zwick	11	10	15	36
J. E. Dafter	9	10	12	31
A. E. Hall	1	1	5	7
A. F. Hemrich	14	14	17	45
H. Brehm	7	5	4	16
F. H. White	13	12	11	36
N. Paschall	8	7	14	29
J. F. McRee	9	10	10	29

100 targets—H. Fleming 88, G. M. Valentine 79, R. Kinzer 82.

Those shooting but not in the regular program were C. C. Ward, G. H. Young, H. Cullyford, William Schilpin and Mr. Beard. (*Professional.)

Preparations have been made and the club is practically in readiness to receive the many shooters that will participate in the State Tournament that is to be held on the Harbor Island grounds May 24-25. Practice day, May 23.

W. B. TAFT, Secretary,
By E. A. FRY.

Seventy-three At Golden Gate Shoot

RECORD NUMBER TURN OUT FOR MONTHLY CLUB EVENT

Golden Gate Club.—The Golden Gate Club did itself proud last Sunday by holding the biggest monthly shoot in the history of the organization. Seventy-three devotees of the blue rock sport were at the traps in Alameda, which is the largest number that ever turned out for a monthly event around the bay. At least that's what Bill Price says and he knows a thing or two about the sport alluring in this part of the country. It is a good indication of the interest and enthusiasm with which 1916 is starting off.

A. G. Flickinger of Vallejo dropped over to take the high amateur honors of the day by breaking 49 out of 50. O. N. Ford, who is boosting the California-Nevada shoot, scheduled at San Jose next month, was close behind with 48x50. Toney Prior, George Anderson, Dr. Barker, Barney Worthen, N. A. Howard, Henry Stelling, W. J. Terry and Clem Arques also turned in creditable scores.

Fred Willet led the professional ranks with 48x50. Clarence A. Haight and Dick Reed were next in line.

The Golden Gaters are now brushing up for the banner merchandise shoot at Alameda tomorrow (April 23rd). Over seventy prizes have been donated and they will be distributed via the grab-bag system. It is figured there will be over 100 shooters present.

The scores last Sunday were:—

Events—	20	20	10	Total
F. Blum	14	17	9	40
J. Nelson	15	15	9	39
P. R. Skinner	12	14	9	35
"Pop" Merrill	16	13	9	38
H. Stelling	19	17	10	46
A. E. Stoneberger	14	14	7	35
Al Cook*	19	17	8	44
H. D. Swales	17	19	9	45
O. O. Orr	19	17	8	44
F. Willett*	19	20	9	48
H. Poston*	16	19	10	45
Dr. McGettigan	17	14	9	40
C. A. Haight*	19	19	9	47
N. A. Howard	18	18	10	46
W. Ellis	15	16	10	41
A. M. Gearhart	10	10	8	28
O. N. Jones*	16	16	8	39
P. Swensen	12	15	7	34
T. D. Riley	18	15	10	43
Col. Dorsey	11	15	8	34
R. E. McGill	11	16	8	35
T. W. Parsons	16	18	7	41
Holle	16	16	9	41
Peet	15	17	10	42
Dick Reed*	20	18	9	47
B. Worthen	19	19	10	47
E. Forster	12	9	8	29
Pizzotte	9	11	7	27
S. Goodman	10	13	9	32
W. A. Landry	16	17	7	40
H. Brickett	17	15	9	41
Dr. Topham	19	18	9	46
C. Kolb	14	17	6	37
L. Middleton	13	14	6	33
O. N. Ford	20	18	10	48
Clem Arques	18	18	10	46
McKagney	15	17	9	41
A. G. Flickinger	20	19	10	49
R. W. Ballard	16	18	9	43
W. J. Terry	18	18	10	46
Frank Webster	17	16	9	42
W. E. Cooley	16	17	10	43
Beethan	16	16	9	41
Fred Burnham	16	18	8	42
W. G. Becktell	15	16	10	41
J. A. Addleman	15	16	8	39
Pete Ashcroft	15	14	10	39
W. H. Price	18	14	9	41
Korn	6	5	6	17
George Hein	12	10	7	39
G. Feldman	10	11	6	27
Dr. Ody	16	7	4	27
F. Miller	18	12	9	39
O. F. Feudner*	16	17	9	42
T. Prior	19	19	9	47
Miss Meyers	14	8	7	29
E. T. Prior	11	15	7	33
E. Stressler*	16	15	6	37
W. S. Stadfeldt	15	15	8	38
George Anderson	18	19	10	47
Baumgartner	18	18	9	45
Dr. Barker	17	20	10	47
H. Millet	12	13	7	32
J. Brickell	18	14	8	40
H. Havens	17	14	10	41
G. C. Walker	11	10	6	27
E. G. Williams	10	12	7	29
L. A. Steinfeld	16	13	6	35
J. H. Jones	18	19	8	45
Dr. Eaton	17	16	..	33
Vosbergh	16	15	..	31
Dr. Sweeney	17	14	5	36
D. D. Jones (20-gauge)	13	13	5	31

*Professionals.

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Porterville Club.—Considerable interest is being worked up in the handicap shoot which is now being held by the Porterville Gun Club, the first shoot in the handicap event taking place on April 9th.

Averages compiled show that the shoot resulted as follows:

Dr. S. A. Barber, 25 out of a possible 25. Earl Martin, 63 out of a possible 75. Dr. E. S. Lawson 73x75, Harry Casad 47x50, Georgh Murphy 68x75, James Rohlick 65x75, Harry Quinn 42x50, George Small 45x50, Richard Hoyt 21x25.

The contestants are shooting for a silver spoon which will be awarded to the marksman making the best average.

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Salt Lake Club.—Salt Lake, April 10.—Breeder and Sportsman: The club score at Salt Lake on April 9th was as follows, out of 50 birds—

Gardner 47, Mace 46, Moffatt 46, Klein 44, Tingly 43, Bain 42, Bray 38, Johnson 38, Luff 37, Heagren 36, Fisher 35, Mitchell 32, Edmonds 31, Hood 33, Engles 21, Anderson* 48, Hood* 46.

Yours, C. A. ANDERSON.

COMING REGISTERED TOURNAMENTS.

California.

Fresno, April 29—Fresno Blue Rock Club, C. B. Jackson, Secretary.

Los Angeles, May 1, 2—Los Angeles Club, Fred H. Teeple, Secretary.

Los Angeles, May 8, 9.—Vernon Gun Club, William Pugh, Manager.

Alameda, May 20—Golden Gate Club, Clarence A. Haight, Secretary.

San Jose, May 28, 29, 30—California-Nevada Association Tournament, San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

Eureka, July 4—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President.

Oregon.

Portland, June 5, 6, 7—Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, Frank Templeton, Secretary.

Portland, Sept. 12, 13, 14—Pacific Coast Handicap.

Washington.

Spokane, May 8, 9 and 10—Spokane Gun Club.

Chehalis, May 30—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, Gus T. Thacker, President.

Seattle, July 4—"Old Policy," Green Lake Gun Club, W. C. Smith, Secretary

Tacoma, July 18, 19, 20, 21—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary.

Vernon Club.—Mrs. C. E. Groat, a woman trapshooter who has been plugging along for several years until she now shoots on a par with the best men shots, stepped up on a high plane Sunday morning when she captured her first win on the George T. Cline diamond medal by breaking 45 birds out of the half century thrown, from sixteen yards. The trophy was placed up for competition for the second time, 50 birds, distance handicaps, by the Vernon Gun Club.

Dr. L. M. Packard, who won the Billy Wilshire trophy, was second with the high scores, breaking 44 out of 50 from twenty yards. Bill Pugh, the club's secretary, and Stan Bruner tied for third place, each with a 43x50 score.

The second shoot on the William H. Hoegee handicap trophy was also staged, as well as the contest for the four loving-cups. Fifty targets covered both contests. Meek was high gun in the Hoegee competition with his 48x50 score. Mrs. Groat broke only 40 birds in this event.

Red Hedderly, the small-bore crack of the south, ran up another one of his good scores in the 20-gauge event for a cup, breaking 24 birds out of 25. Bruner was second with 19 out of 25. The contests on the cups, Hoegee trophy and the 20-gauge trophy will be held every Sunday until July. The six best scores will win.

Dr. Packard was high for a cup in class A, with a 47x50 tally. Pugh was high in B, Meek in C and Manderville in D. The scores:

George T. Cline handicap—

Shooter—	Hdcp.	Bke.	Targ.
Reid	16	39	50
C. P. Smith	16	40	50
Manderville	16	42	50
Kopf	16	..	..
A. W. Bruner	16	41	50
Bill Pugh	18	43	50
Brawner	16	..	..
Dierdoff	17	41	50
Packard	20	44	50
Van Nest	16	40	50
S. A. Bruner	20	43	50
P. Peterson	17	40	50
Daniels	16	..	..
C. E. Groat	18	41	50
Mrs. C. E. Groat	16	45	50
Meek	17	42	50
Bole	16	40	50
Cooper	16	..	..
Hedderly	16	..	..
Wilshire	16	..	..

William H. Hoegee handicap and loving cup competition, in four classes—

Shooters—	Hdcp.	Bke.	Targ.
Reid	16	29	50
C. P. Smith	16	40	50
Manderville	16	46	50
Kopf	16	..	..
A. W. Bruner	16	43	50
Bill Pugh	18	41	50
Brawner	16	..	..
Dierdoff	16	41	50
Packard	17	47	50
Van Nest	20	42	50
S. A. Bruner	16	45	50
P. E. Peterson	20	38	50
Daniels	16	34	50
C. E. Groat	18	40	50
Mrs. C. E. Groat	16	40	50
Meek	17	48	50
Bole	16	39	50
Cooper	16	41	50
Hedderly	16	..	..
Wilshire	16	44	50

Twenty-gauge trophy events from 16 yards—

Ed Hedderly 24x25, Stan Bruner 19x25, Manderville 17x25, Bole 15x25.

Open event at 16 yards—

Manderville 42x50, Kopf 26x50, A. W. Bruner 40x50, Bill Pugh 40x50, Van Nest 41x50, Stan Bruner 24x25, Hedderly 40x50.

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Big Time Club—At the shoot of the Big Time Gun Club Sunday on the grounds of the Schenck ranch, Frank Newbert proved that a winter of inactivity had not dimmed his eye nor spoiled his aim. Newbert broke 49 out of 50 birds in what was for him the first practice of the season. Lee Gorman broke 50 straight, and R. S. Irvine, candidate for city commissioner, was dubbed the Rip Van Winkle of the club when he let seven out of a string of ten go by. Irvine declared that he had not dropped a bird in 30 years. About 150 attended the shoot, and the committee had plenty of lunch on hand for all.

The other shooters who made one or more strings of ten were as follows: Ilgner 6, Lee Gorman 5, F. Ruhstaller 3, Dr. Goode 2, Egersdorf 2, Pearson 2, Higgins 2, D. Ruhstaller 2, F. Stahl 2, M. Newbert 1, Adams 1, D. Huth 1 and Conroy 1.

Mrs. Newbert and Mrs. Boulware were tied for first place in the ladies' shoot with six birds apiece.

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Temple Club.—About sixty-five persons attended a blue rock shoot of the Temple Blue Rock Club held on the club grounds on Van Ness boulevard last Sunday. The events lasted throughout the day and a lunch was served at noon. Members of the Fresno Blue Rock Club were guests. About forty-five took active part in the shooting. W. J. O'Neill and Dr. J. L. Martin were high gun men. The scores were:—

D. F. Appling 9x10, 16x20; Fred Appling 8x10, 8x10, 8x10, 12x20, 14x20, 15x20, 16x20, 17x20; Browning 8x10, 5x10, 15x20, 14x20, 12x20, 14x20; Foin 10x10, 10x10, 18x20, 10x10, 14x20, 14x20; O'Neill 17x20, 5x10, 17x20, 16x20, 18x20, 19x20, 18x20; Sorenson 8x10, 7x10, 19x20, 17x20, 18x20; Knight 7x10, 6x10, 14x20, 18x20, 17x20, 16x20; Madison 3x10, 10x20, 9x20; Turner 12x20, Stump 12x20, 5x10; Fleming 6x10, 16x20; Anderson 11x20; Holdshaw 5x10, 4x10; Schultz 10x20, 13x20; Martin 18x20, 17x20, 18x20, 19x20, 16x20, 18x20; Shepard 8x10; Tucker 6x10, 6x10, 6x20, 10x20; Gurner 9x10, 3x10, 4x10, 8x20; Hamlin 0x10; Farris 5x10, 7x10, 6x10, 6x10; Lord 4x10, 2x10, 5x10, 7x10, 13x20; J. Lord 2x10, 3x10, 2x10; Collins 7x10, 5x10, 7x20, 5x10; Belindge 7x10, 8x10, 15x20; Meachem 2x10, 6x10, 4x10; Skinner 4x10, 11x20, 4x10; Slocum 18x20, 15x20, 18x20, 16x20; Jackson 16x20, 17x20, 17x20; Otton 10x20, 14x20, 10x20, 10x20; Taber 19x20, 17x20; Chabot 7x20, 5x20, 9x20, 6x10; Stone 16x20, 18x20; Nevill 1x10, 3x20; Nook 11x20, 15x20, 14x20; E. Anderson 16x20; Tilton 17x20, 7x20, 4x10; Burns 6x20, 18x20; Carson 11x20, 7x20; Clayton 5x20; Whitlock 15x20, 8x10; Eilert 22x225; McNeill 7x10.

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Alameda Elks Club.—The class of the Alameda Elks Gun Club is rapidly developing. Following is a list of the first ten ranking members at the end of the first shoot and also a list of those ranking among the first ten at the end of the second shoot:—

First Shoot.	Second Shoot.
1. Bray Thorning	1. Henry Meinecke
2. Al Durney	2. Bray Thorning
3. Henry Meinecke	3. Ben Boyd
4. Walter Plummer	4. Al Durney
5. Tay Croll	5. Tay Croll
6. Ben Boyd	6. Clyde Carman
7. Jerry Brooks	7. Ned Williams
8. Bob Valleau	8. Lew Shroeder
9. Lew Shroeder	9. Bob Valleau
10. Jack Walker	10. Pete Noonan

President Tom Haskins, Secretary Fred Hillyer, Henry Martine, Chas. Hollywood, Chas. Linderman, Homer Craig and Ed Ward are all fighting hard to place their names among the first ten. Watch out you top-notchers! There is some lively competition in store for you.

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Southern Handicap.—The Interstate Association's eleventh southern trapshooting tournament will be held at Memphis, Tenn., May 9, 10 and 11, under the auspices of the Memphis Gun Club.

The tenth tournament, held at Memphis last year, was a success of such pronounced character as to preclude the possibility of the eleventh being held elsewhere. It was the second largest Southern Handicap tournament ever held and proved that the Memphians only needed sufficient elbow room to make anything, humanly possible, a go.

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Portland Club.—Following are the scores of Sunday's shoot, April 9th, on the Everding Park traps of the Portland Gun Club: The percentages:

F. M. VanAtta 93, O. D. Thornton 92, J. W. Seavey 90, A. Blair 90, Al. Seguin 86, M. Siddall 84, M. Abraham 82, E. B. VanArnam* 78, J. O. Joy 75, H. A. Pollock 77, C. C. Kelly 74, J. S. Crane 66, J. Morris 63, J. G. Clemson 57, N. Blumensaadt 54, George Bertz 53, Miss Gladys Reid 50, J. Murphy 47.

(*Professional.)

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Fresno Club.—Members of the Fresno Blue Rock Gun Club are planning an all-day merchandise shoot to be held Saturday, April 29th. It will be a registered tournament and about 75 to 80 sportsmen of the valley are expected to enter. There will be a merchandise prize for each man entering. In preparation for this event, a practice shoot was held by several of the members of the club Sunday a week ago.

ANIMALS THAT NEVER TAKE A DRINK.

Strange and impossible as it may seem, there are several kinds of animals living in various parts of the world that live entirely without water.

Out on some of the Western plains of North America lives and thrives a little mouse that never tastes a bit of moisture. This little animal, sometimes known as shrew, is about three and one-half inches long—the square-shaped tail taking up about half of this length. Its food consists of insects and their larvae, and it builds its quaint little nest of grass and leaves.

They are very rapacious, often killing and devouring each other. Its bite was once considered very poisonous, while its body, properly treated, was a panacea for many ailments. It thrives in desert places and never ventures far from its home. Its flesh is so tainted that no other animal except the owl will feed upon its carcass.

In London, in one of the zoological gardens, a parrakeet lived for over fifty years without a drop of water. It relished all its food, consisting of grasses, seeds, etc., but like a good teetotaler it "never took a drink." This little parrot is a native of Australia, but has been imported quite extensively to the United States. It is very affectionate in disposition, especially toward its mate, and is sometimes called the "love-bird."

From cows and goats that live in northern France is obtained the milk from which the celebrated roquefort cheese is made. These animals subsist entirely upon the grass, underbrush, etc., that they find in their vicinity, but never require water in any form.

The llama of Peru and Bolivia, used as a beast of burden, travels over the mountains from six to twelve miles a day, carrying a pack weighing from 100 to 200 pounds, needing only a small portion of grass for feed and requiring no water. Only the male llamas are used for pack purposes.

Entirely without water is spent the life of the beautiful gazelles of Arabia, and they adapt themselves readily to life on a desert waste. They are exceedingly fleet and also a beautiful animal. It is covered with a hide of satin, the colors varying from a golden brown to mauve—the legs below the knee are spotless white. It has wonderfully beautiful eyes and has curved annulated horns about fourteen inches in length. EVELYN K. BROOKS..

Waterloo, Iowa, April 2.

SIBERIANS WIN ALASKA SWEEPSTAKES.

Nome (Alaska), April 15.—Leonard Seppala, driving his team of seventeen Siberian wolf dogs with whom he won last year's race, late yesterday won the 412-mile all-Alaska sweepstakes race for dog teams. Sepala's time was 80 hours and 27 minutes. Fay Delzene's team of fourteen Alaska bred malamutes was second, and Fred Ayer's team of fourteen fox hounds third.

Seppala left Nome on his 412-mile drive to Candle and return at 1 minute after 9 o'clock Tuesday morning and it was just 5:28 last evening when his dogs trotted across the finish line in front of the Board of Trade saloon on Front Street. Seppala's time of 80:27 is 1 hour and 42 minutes, 23 seconds, slower than his time last year, and 6 hours, 12 minutes, 40 seconds, slower than the record set by John Johnson's Siberian "wolves" in 1910.

Seppala, who left Council an hour ahead of Delzene, won easily. He traveled the last eighty-five miles of the race in 10 hours, 41 minutes. His dogs finished in good condition, showing no ill effects from the three days' grind over the snow trail through a snowstorm which at times reached the proportions of a blizzard.

Seppala stood the strain of the race fully as well as his hardy Siberian wolf dogs and when he drove down Front Street toward the finish line the entire winter population of Nome, who had assembled to welcome the winner, cheered him wildly.

This is the fourth time in the last seven sweepstakes races that the Siberian wolf dogs have outdistanced the malamutes. Johnson, the record holder, who has won two races, and Seppala, have been staunch supporters of these wild-looking, but tractable animals.

A cross between the wild Siberian wolf and the Alaskan working dog, they have the appearance of the pure wolf, but through handling from the day of birth are developed into hard-working harness dogs. They are not as fast for short distances as the malamutes, but their wolf-like endurance gives them an advantage in the long-distance driving.

TO MAKE 1916 COUNT OF BIRDS.

Washington, D. C.—The third annual bird count of the United States will be made by the Bureau of Biological Survey of the U. S. Department of Agriculture during the breeding season in May and June. In making this survey the Bureau will rely largely on persons interested in bird life who agree to act as volunteer enumerators and count the different kinds of birds found in a 40 or 80 acre farm or woodland tract near their homes. The counts thus made by unpaid observers during the last two summers have furnished to the Department valuable data on the character, number, and distribution of the bird population.

This year the ornithologists of the Department wish particularly to secure a large number of volunteers in the West to report on the bird life in the plains, the semiarid regions, the deserts, and the mountains in that part of the United States. Especial attention also is to be given to securing data as to the birds in the fruit districts of the Pacific Coast and in the South Atlantic and Gulf States.

The information collected this year it is believed will be of special value in enabling the Department to test the effect of State and National bird laws and also in determining what relationship exists between bird life and the prevalence of locusts, grasshoppers, and other insect pests in different localities.

As it is impossible to make an actual count of all the birds in any extended district, each enumerator is asked to report only upon the number of birds breeding in a selected area of 40 to 80 acres in country or suburban districts. From the figures thus obtained, those in charge of the work are able to approximate the total number of birds of each kind in different sections of the country.

Enumerators who wish to report on birds on farms are asked to choose an area which includes farm buildings, shade trees, orchards, plowed land, pasture or meadow or swamp, but not very much woodland. The enumerator begins his survay at daylight some morning and zigzags back and forth in the selected area, counting the male birds. Early in the morning during the last of May or the first week of June every male bird should be full of song and therefore easily counted. The count of one day is to be verified by observation on several mornings.

The height of the breeding season should be chosen for this work. In the latitude of Washington May 30 is about the proper date for the count. In the latitude of Boston the work should begin a week later, and south of Washington even an earlier date should be selected.

In addition to reports on farms and suburbs, enumerators who can do so will be asked to report on the birds in a timber area of about 40 acres or in an isolated bit of woodland of from 10 to 20 acres. In the Northwestern States, separate reports on the number of birds found in the wilder portions of the farms, preferably those surveyed in the earlier counts, are desired.

Those wishing to take part in the survey can obtain complete instructions by writing to the Bureau of Biological Survey, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. The work, however, calls for considerable knowledge of birds, and only those who can readily distinguish the different kinds should undertake to make returns for their localities.

SHAD FOR CONNECTICUT.

In carrying out the plan to furnish the state of Connecticut with 2,000,000 shag eggs, George Neale of the Fish and Game Commission has just visited Feather river to determine if the spawning fish had reached the point in that stream where it is proposed to establish the plant for taking and fertilizing the eggs. None have arrived, the shad now only just having reached the lower part of the Sacramento river in their annual migration. It is proposed to take the fish as far up river as possible so that the eggs will be ripe and will be more likely to give satisfactory results when planted. After being taken from the fish and fertilized, the roe will be loaded directly into cars furnished by the Connecticut Fish Commission.

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The German Shepherd dog, Lotti von Edelweiss, has arrived in New York from Germany and is now in the kennels of Mrs. Leo Wanner, Hempstead, L. I. Mr. and Mrs. Wanner purchased Lotti over a year ago, but great difficulty was experienced in getting delivery. This of course was because of the war in Europe. With Lotti came two of her sons, young dogs just over a year old. Lotti von Edelweiss was a winner in the fatherland.

Prospects Bright for Big Trout Season

CALIFORNIA ANGLERS ASSOCIATION IS MAKING PREPARATIONS

The California Anglers' Association, an organization for the propagation and preservation of game fishes, is showing signs of activity once again at its specious and comfortable club rooms, 935 Market street, San Francisco. For months past the members have been patiently awaiting the opening of the trout season, and now that it is call at home the boys planning trips and lending an attentive ear to the reports from the various nearby streams and lakes.

As a sort of preliminary training for the big opening on May 1st, the Association held an outing at Moss Beach last Sunday, and between 75 and 80 members had one glorious time. The day was warm and clear and did much to add to the success of the affair. It was a basket picnic.

Of course, there was some fishing and the competition was keen for the two prizes set up. William Eaton managed to land a 4½-pound black cod and drew down the trophy for the biggest catch of the day. James Gorman took the honors for the largest number caught.

When the trout season gets well under way the Association is going to run an excursion to the Feather River that promises a treat. It will have a private car that will be sidetracked along the famous fishing waters. A start will be made from San Francisco on Saturday, May 27th, and the return will be on Wednesday, May 31st. There is some room for a few outsiders and reservations can be made at the club rooms.

President F. Spence and the other officers of the Association — Charles Breidenstein, vice-president, James Gorman, second vice-president, George A. Wentworth, secretary, H. Cohn, treasurer—and L. T. Craig, J. Springer, M. Uri, Charles Gibbs, W. Ballantine and F. Ensinger, are going to make a concentrated effort this season to increase the membership. President Spence outlines a policy to band the anglers together in order to secure favorable legislation when the legislature meets in the spring.

"Anglers are in favor of the season opening on April 1st instead of a month later," says President Spence. "The conditions for fly-fishing during April are good and anglers are deprived of a whole month of high-class sport. Trout are through spawning by April 1st and when the water starts to recede the big fish return to the ocean. This leaves only the little fish in the streams to be caught when the season comes in."

There have been several reports made to members during the week. Dr. Earl S. Pomeroy of Capitola sends word that San Lorenzo and Waddell are low, clear and ideal for fly-fishing. They are apparently filled with trout, too.

A. B. Christensen and Robert McFarland say that Brismo, Lobitos, Trinitas and San Gregorio are in fine shape.

The Russian River and its tributaries are also said to be in good condition for fly-fishing.

The Feather River is normal for this time of the year, with all the snow gone save from the mountain tops.

SCORES OF SCHUETZEN CLUB.

The California Schuetzen Club held its opening picnic and shoot Sunday at the Park near San Rafael. There was a large attendance, with Vice-President J. S. Leutenegger delivering the address of welcome in the absence of President A. G. Oet. The scores:—

Re-entry—John Free 218, 217, 215, 215; Chris Meyer 213, 212, 203; L. Wille 207; G. Tammeyer 207; M. Flynn 204, 202. Avon Wyle 199, 178, 175; Charles Ott 195, 191; C. H. Morris 191; Captain J. Straub 185, 184; J. Capell 180, 172, 160, 155; H. Schroeder 164; F. J. Pape 160, 139.

Monthly bullseye—Charles B. Morris 344, A. Strecher 396, Captain J. Straub 437, J. Ross 662, E. Helm 708, H. Heissmer 723, C. Hartwig 831, A. von Whyte 841, G. Tammeyer 1000, C. Meyer 1087, J. Frei 1172, E. Zuest 1200, J. S. Leutenegger 1661, F. L. Pape 1755, A. Bertelsen 1781, Charles Ott 1991, George Heissner 2105, Philo Jacoby 2164, H. Schroeder 2549, L. Wille 2701.

Honor target—H. Schroeder 67, E. Helm 64, John Frei 63, Chris Meyer 62, C. B. Morris 61.

BE CAREFUL OF MOUNTAIN LIONS.

Fishermen who whip the remote Santa Clara county streams this year are advised to go armed on account of the unusually large number of mountain lions reported by six State game wardens who have been patrolling the hills seeking to prevent illegal fishing before May 1. Many tracks were seen around the remains of livestock and deer.

Two years ago a lion fatally wounded two boys swimming in Coyote creek and killed a Morgan Hill school teacher who came to their aid. At that time conditions were similar to the present state of affairs. A big lion, one of the largest ever seen around that section, was shot near Mount Hamilton Friday by Samuel Parks, a local lumberman.

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Den of Rattlesnakes—Weaverville, (Trinity Co.), April. 17—A den of rattlesnakes has been found near here by County Surveyor T. J. Montgomery, who discovered the reptiles while surveying. He estimated the number to be at least 100, some of them being four feet long.

The rattlers were lying in the sun, some of them in large bunches. Montgomery and his companions succeeded in killing several, but most of them escaped into crevices in the rocky ledge where they were enjoying the sunshine.

Rattlers are common in Trinity county, but are seldom found at this season of the year.

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Says Harold Ober, secretary of the Airedale Terrier Club of America: "There is a mistaken notion among some exhibitors that when a dog is a champion he should be retired to give the others a chance. Nothing can hurt a breed more than this, and I am not saying that on my own responsibility, but after discussing it with all the prominent men in the breeding industry. Interest in a breed will wane unless the best ones are shown, and I am speaking for the whole fancy when I say that I would rather win a V. H. C. against the best in the ring than a first with the best on the bench."

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The fifth annual tournament of the Lewiston Gun Club will be held April 24 and 25. Shooters from western Washington and all parts of Idaho are entered in this shoot, the first registered event of this section of the country.

THE FARM

CAN DUAL PURPOSE CATTLE BE BRED?

[Concluded from last week.]

The English breeder is most particular in the choice of the males which he uses in breeding. These males must be the progeny of a dam, and of a grandam, each of which has been abundant milk producers. Some breeders go farther back in the female ancestry in the search for high milk production. In this way the guaranty of transmitting good milking qualities by such a sire is secured. But the other side of the question is guarded with equal care. He must be an animal of good scale. He must carry a good covering of mellow flesh when in a normal condition and he must be the get of a sire possessed of similar fleshing properties. How many breeders, I ask, in this country have been trying thus to breed cattle on dual lines? When our experiment stations try out dual purpose breeding on those lines, there will be less of shouting that dual purpose cattle can't be bred. Shame on the teaching which claims that what has been done successfully for more than a century in England can't be done in America.—Thos. Shaw, N. W. Farmer and Stockman.

NEW MILK LAW WILL SAVE CHILDREN'S LIVES.

Many owners of small dairies are laboring under the impression that, under the new law, they must pasteurize milk, judging from inquiries received by the California State Board of Health. As a matter of fact, however, the new law does not require pasteurization, if the animal is found to be free from tuberculosis by the tuberculin test. This test must be made by a qualified veterinarian, acting under the supervision of the State Veterinarian. All cows, however, must be fed, watered, housed and milked under conditions approved by he inspecting department.

No doubt many of the large dairies in the state will resort to pasteurization, rather than to the tuberculin testing. Most owners of small dairies, however, will have their cows tuberculin tested, because it is impractical for them to distribute from acentral pasteurization plant. The tuberculin test will be made by the State free if all cost and none who have made application will be amenable to the law until after the required inspection has been made.

While the new milk law does not become effective until October, many dairymen throughout the State are already applying the provisions of the law in the preparation of milk supplies for market. If the new law were to go into effect immediately, no doubt a very great saving could be made in the numbers of babies' lives that are lostduring the summer months because of diseases contracted through the use of infected milk. Nearly all children under two years of age who die in California fall victims to intestinal diseases that are often contracted through milk. Typhoid fever, tuberculosis, scarlet fever and other diseases may also be carried in milk.

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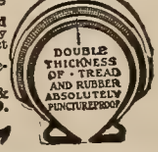
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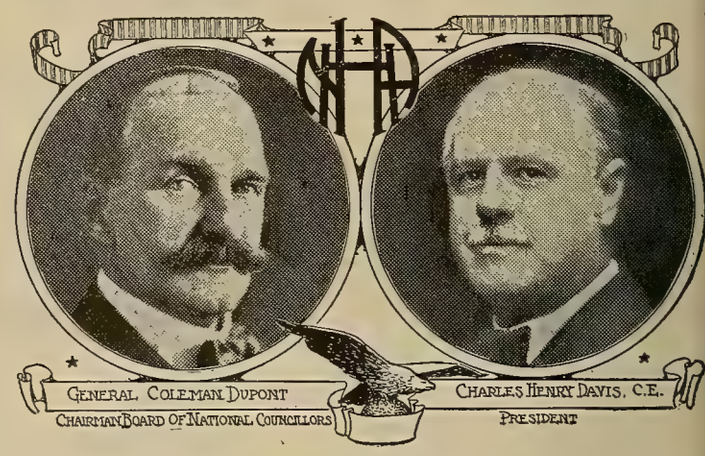
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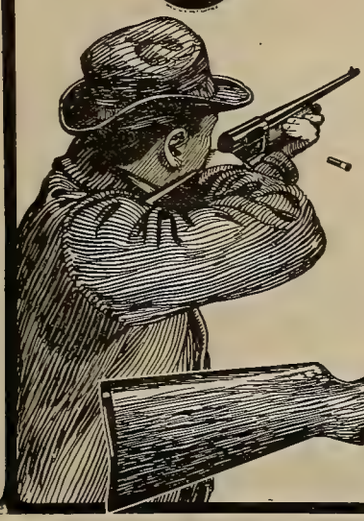
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Hermes (2)	2:16½	Carlrich p (2)	2:24½
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DERBERTHA BELLS 60907....J. W. Pendleton, Oakland
EXPRESSIVE MAC 2:25½.....J. H. Nelson, Selma
KING LILLY POINTER 2:14, W. H. Nesmith, Los Angeles
LeGRAND McDONALD..... Bridgford Co., San Francisco
McMYRTLE.....Dolcini & Dolcini, Petaluma
PETER McKLYO (3) 2:12½ Jas. Thompson, Sacramento
VERNON McKINNEY 2:01½..C. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton
WILBUR LOU 2:10¼.....Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet
WM. HAROLD 2:13¼.....Dr. C. Corwin, Hayward

The demand for space for exhibits at the California State Fair this year is greater than it has ever been at this season. Manufacturers and others who exhibited at the P.-P. I. E. for the first time at any exposition found that it paid, and they are now applying for space at Sacramento early so that they will be sure of getting it. Nothing has been more thoroughly proven than that exhibits at fairs are profitable if the exhibits are meritorious. The improvements made in the breeds of livestock and in farm machinery would never have reached their present standards in this country but for the ocular demonstrations that were made to farmers and stock men at the state and county fairs which have been held for many years from Maine to California. No description of an animal or a machine ever written will convey a knowledge of it to a person like an actual view and examination. A volume might be written describing the machine which sets the type used on the Breeder and Sportsman but a very faint idea of its marvelous work and construction will ever be attained by any person who has not actually stood by and seen it in operation. It is a great pleasure to know that applications for space at the California State Fair for 1916 are already coming in in greater numbers than usual at this time, as it presages a bigger and better fair than ever and, of course, a big increase in interest and attendance.

A Grand Circuit program of approximately twenty-eight events for a total amount of over $45,000 was the decision of the New York State Fair Commission at a special meeting held in Albany last week. In number of days exclusively for harness racing sport, nature of classes, amount of purses and stakes and divers varieties of events—professional, amateur and colt races—the Syracuse six-day program will surpass anything announced for the coming season, while in novelties in the system of racing, entrance fee payments and liberal concessions to owners it will outdo its former records.

The three heat plan under which the races at Santa Rosa and Sacramento will be conducted will be a boon to the horses as well as the horsemen. There will be no more of those long drawn races with none but exhausted horses in the final heats. Racing will be more snappy and miles will be faster. No horse properly trained will suffer from starting in such races three times in one week, as a three heat race is no more tiresome to a horse than the usual work-out he gets on Wednesdays and Saturdays at most training tracks.

$10 is due Monday next on yearlings named in the Pacific Breeders' Futurity. Don't let the foals of 1915 that are in this stake drop out by negligence or intention. Stake colts will be in demand in 1917 and 1918, the years the money in this stake will be raced for. A word to the wise is sufficient.

ONE BIG DAY AT DIXON.

I want to be,
I want to be,
I want to be right there in Dixon
When the horses start on the 6th of May.
Oh, I want to get a whiff of that new-mown hay
That lies around
All o'er the ground
Where the horses race at Dixon.

That's the song the horsemen who reside within a radius of 150 miles of the alfalfa centre of Solano county are now singing and on Saturday next they'll be at Dixon. May 6th is the date of this year's renewal of the annual picnic and race meeting that has been held at Dixon for thirty-five years. Attractive athletic and forensic features have been arranged. There'll be base ball and field sports of all kinds, four-round boxing exhibitions and an address by Governor Hiram Johnson. Several bands of music have been engaged and a big pageant with beautiful floral floats will parade the streets, while in the evening a big chorus will render a special program of music. But the big attraction will be the harness races for which purses have been hung up. One event will be the decision of the Dixon Futurity for two-year-olds which will have a good field of starters. There are usually between three and four thousand people present at the Dixon May Festival, but the managers think the crowd will reach five thousand this year. The new causeway across the tule marsh between Davis and Sacramento is now open for auto travel and the Sacramento people expect to send a thousand auto parties to Dixon next Saturday, May 6th; while Woodland, Vallejo, Suisun, Rio Vista, Winters and Davis will be depopulated on that day. All roads will lead to Dixon Saturday.

That some high class racing will be enjoyed by those who attend this May Festival the following list of entries for the races will show:

First Race—Colt Stake.

L. B. Daniels names Merrill by Teddy Bear.
M. C. Delano names Raymond by Teddy Bear.
Lou Mativia names The Lie by Palite.
H. A. Hershey names Galen Logan by Jim Logan.
J. E. Montgomery names Bay Colt by Jim Logan.
A. W. Longley names Monia by Demonio.
J. Coram names Mollie McCarthy by Vernon McKinney.

Second Race—2:20 Pace.

H. B. Rohen names Marie by Diablo.
J. E. Montgomery names Lock Logan by Zolock.
B. Cohen names Mabel Dillon by Sidney Dillon.
Geo. Machado names Bold Harry Aerolite by Aerolite.
Jos. Ryan names Hamburg Bell by Stillwell.
Dr. J. H. Haile names Palita by Palite.
M. C. Delano names Oro Moe by Demonio.
Sam Silvey names Graustark by Aerolite.

Third Race—Free-for-All.

L. B. Daniels names John Malcolm by Dan Logan.
M. C. Delano names Bondalean by The Bondsman.

Reports from manufacturers and dealers respecting the present demand for buggies and the prospects for future business vary quite a little according to the localities from which we receive them. This statement came from an official of the Carriage Builders' National Association. In some Central and Western States reports are of a very cheering character, not only as regards the amount of business already transacted, but also in reference to the immediate outlook.

A great many dealers state that their business has far exceeded their expectations, and that numbers of second orders have been necessitated by the clearing up of their first lots. In other cases dealers tell us that their trade so far this year has been about normal—no variation being noticeable, one way or the other.

As a matter of fact, there are undoubted signs of a considerable improvement in the horse-drawn vehicle business, and the preponderance of favorable reports over those of the opposite character is easily five to one.

"The demand for shafts and poles for horse-drawn vehicles has not been materially affected in the past five years," says an Ohio member of the Carriage Builders' National Association, who has exceptional opportunities for gathering information on the subject.

"The enormous increase of gasoline cars for both pleasure and commercial purposes, remarkable enough, has not caused a big slump in the sale of shafts and poles.

"This unusual fact is attributed to the great increase of population in the United States during the past five years. This increase has been able not only to absorb the increase in manufacture of automobiles, for both pleasure and commerce, but to take care of the old trade in horse-drawn vehicles as well.

"Very few of the big manufacturers of buggies and carriages make their own shafts and poles, because they can be more cheaply bought of a factory making them exclusively than made as a side line in the buggy factory.

"I know of specific instances where the farmer is going back from the automobile with its expensive upkeep to the old buggy or carriage. The trend of the farmers, as indicated by examples he can personally cite, seems to be toward the horse and buggy," said the same authority.

"The farmer, perhaps, at first does not realize the large expense of keeping an automobile in repair, although the initial cost may seem tempting. It is my opinion that in the future more buggies and carriages will be bought by the man on the farm. Especially will this be true, now that the price of gasoline has climbed so high, while the farmer can raise all the horse feed he requires on his own premises and at the minimum of cost."

THE HAY MARKET.

Scott, Magner & Miller's San Francisco hay market report of last Saturday says:

Receipts of hay for the past week were 1785 tons, the previous week 1884 tons. These receipts are nominal for this time of the year and hay has moved from the tracks freely.

Weather conditions throughout the week have been dry and a great deal of anxiety is being manifested in the country hay districts as moisture is very badly needed in practically all sections and most all reports are that crops will be decidedly short without rain almost immediately. This feeling throughout the country districts is commencing to react on the city market with the result that there has been during the week a much firmer tone than last week and we believe within the next week the market will show decided advances in price unless we receive the long-looked for rains in the meantime.

Another car of new alfalfa arrived and was of exceptionally good quality of first cutting hay, being absolutely clean and free from weeds and apparently well cured. This carload arrived to ourselves and was sold at $12 per ton, having been shipped from the lower San Joaquin valley, which would probably net the farmer in the neighborhood of $8.50 per ton f. o. b. cars, this being an exceptionally good price for first cutting alfalfa, which usually is sold in the neighborhood of $4 to $5 per ton f. o. b. cars at this time of year. No doubt this price was obtained on account of the old crop being practically exhausted.

Volunteer is being harvested in many sections and we look forward for receipts of this commodity in the course of two weeks' time.

Choice wheat hay in light bales and red oat hay are extremely scarce and eagerly sought and will bring in excess of our top quotations. There has been quite a movement of hay to northern coast ports. Southern California is now receiving from the Imperial Valley which curtails shipments from this city. There is a small amount of hay moving to interior points, but not much.

Demand for export is nominal.

Straw is without interest or inquiry.

We quote: Fancy wheat hay (light bales), $17 to $18; No. 1 wheat or wheat and oat, $13 to $16.50; No. 2 wheat or wheat and oat, $12 to $14.50; choice tame oat, $17 to $18; other tame oat, $12 to $15; barley, nominal; wild oat, $12 to $14; alfalfa, 12 to $15; stock hay, $6.50 to $8.50; No. 1 barley straw, $25c to 40c.

The condition of the Chicago draft horse market was summed up last week by the Breeders Gazette as follows: "Scarcity of good heavy drafters is a trade feature at all markets and such stock is in demand. Army trade is being done on the same basis, largely at $135@165. Southern buyers are taking light stuff at $50@100 and light farm workers are going out at $75@100, with medium weights at $110@130 and more desirable stuff at $140@155. There has been a trade in farm mares at $170@200. Plain and rough-haired commercial chunks are selling at $165@185, light chunks with quality and flesh at $185@200, medium weights $190@210 and heavy $200@240. Big horses if deficient in condition, are selling largely at $240@260, up to $285 if good, and where quality makes it possible."

W. B. Carpenter, of Kansas City, Mo., intends to produce a new breed of horses that he will call wagon horses. The stallions used must be registered Percherons. No known ancestry will be required for the dams, but they must have quality, handsome proportions with rich solid color. He desires to produce horses that will weigh from 1100 to 1400 pounds for use on express and delivery wagons, and from which artillery horses can be drafted when necessary.

Houchin & Anderson, Astral King Farm, Jefferson City, Missouri, held their annual sale of saddle bred horses on April 11th, at the farm. Thirty-one head were catalogued and sold. The highest price of the sale was $775 paid by Miss Helen Chubbuck, of Peoria, Illinois, for the mare May Dare by Raven Dare. But one horse brought less than $125 and that was knocked down for $110. The average for the 31 head was $280.

Heard and Seen Here and There

"When a man has learned from experience how to put a race track in condition it is very unwise for trainers to butt in and try to change his methods," said that veteran C. A. Durfee the other day when seated in the office of the Breeder and Sportsman.

"I distinctly recollect," he continued, "the howl that went up from the trainers (and we all know they can howl some when a track is not just to their liking) over the condition of the Stockton track when the Breeders held their meeting there in 1912. That's a black adobe track and it looked as dry as a tariff speech and as hard as a cement sidewalk when the horses reached there from Sacramento, where they raced the previous week.

"I was the head of the committee on track and on Monday morning I interviewed the old fellow who did the sprinkling and harrowing and suggested that more water was needed. He gave me a sort of pitiful look I thought, and said: 'I've worked this track for about forty years and have convinced myself that if it is well watered and the horses allowed to train over it it will look like an asphaltum street by the time racing begins.'

"I had come to the conclusion long before that day that it is very unwise to interfere with a man's business when he gives evidences of knowing it, so I said to him, 'Go ahead, old man, and I'll stay by you, but I'll have to stand a lot of abuse.'

"On Tuesday that track looked pretty bad and I was getting ready to resign and leave for home as the meeting opened next day. That night the old fellow got his water wagon out and began pouring water on the track until the trainers began to roar louder than ever. When he finished sprinkling he said to me, 'I'll put the chain up in the morning and no one must be allowed on the track before 11 o'clock.' I thought right then that if I held the place as chairman of the committee up to that time I would have to dig a trench and defend myself with a Gatling gun, but after consultation with the other members and getting their moral support I concluded to hold the fort.

"You should have heard the boys the next morning. It seemed as if every horse on the track and a lot of matinee and road horses from town and the surrounding country needed a track workout that morning and must get it before ten o'clock. They came at me singly, in twos and threes and in battalions. For the first time in my life I refused to argue the question, but stood pat on the chain staying up and refused to budge. The sun came out good and strong and about ten o'clock the track worker got out with his California harrow and cut a cushion about a half-inch deep. The track was just moist enough for the harrow to do this work well, and the old man kept going until about noon, when he had it to suit him.

"When the races were called and the horses began to warm up it was very noticeable that the pacers and trotters alike came through the stretch pretty fast and when the bell rang they began breaking records. Lottie Ansel, a two-year-old, took a record of 2:14¼, Lovelock paced in 2:05½, and the Big Train San Felipe won the first heat of the 2:15 trot in 2:10. The next day that little pacer Alberta took the first heat of the 2:05 pace in 2:03¾. Until the end of the meeting horses went faster than they ever had before and a good deal faster than many of them have gone since. It was a regular speed fest. I felt then that several of those trainers who had kicked the hardest owed me an apology, but I don't think any of them paid up. You know, the people in this world are divided into two classes, those who think they know how to run a hotel and those who are certain they understand how to put a race track in condition, but I realized early in life that the man who lives on and works an adobe race track is the only man who understands putting it in condition for racing, and whenever I am on the committee when we race at Stockton that same old man, if he is alive and on the job, will do the starting for the water wagon, the harrow and scraper events."

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It is a very common thing when the old time district fairs are up for discussion to hear the "large crowds that attended in those days," referred to. As a matter of fact the population was not very dense in the districts where the most successful of some of the old California fairs and race meetings were held and "the gate" was very seldom the most important item of the receipts. In one of these discussions recently a gentleman who had served quite an extended term as secretary of one of the best district fair associations twenty-five or more years ago gave the following as about the average figures for the receipts of a six days fair held in his district. Gate $1500, grand stand $600, pool privilege $2000, wheel of fortune $800, bar $800, program $50, other privileges $200. A total of nearly $6,000 without counting entrance money, which in "the old days" was ten per cent of the purses. At the last harness race meeting held a few years ago at the same track to which the foregoing figures refer, the gate receipts were very close to $2,000 for a four days meeting, the grand stand made $800, but there was of course nothing at all obtained for the betting or gaming privileges and the bar privilege brought only $150. Thus the receipts showed that the attendance had increased in about the same proportion as the population of the county, but the loss from the bar and gaming privileges (nearly $3,500) made the meeting a loser, so much so that no meeting has been given at that track since. All of which goes to show that when the last meeting was given the people of that section had not lost any of their interest in harness races, but that their chances to "bet a few dollars" and their appetite for "red liker" had been very much curtailed.

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Publicity and the harness horse is the subject of a leading article in last week's Western Horseman that will be read with a hearty endorsement by every owner and breeder of trotters and pacers. Baseball is instanced as one of the sports which is given great publicity by the daily press, and the statement made that "entire pages are taken up with stories of the team in big league towns, pictures of the stars are run by the score and in every conceivable way the gossip concerning the players, their individualities, habits, etc., is turned into capital to make the season a paying one for the men who are controlling the sport." Then the Horseman criticises the daily press for not devoting more attention to harness horse matters and suggests that horsemen organize for the purpose of securing proper representation in the news columns. The idea is an excellent one but until the horsemen realize that the Lord only helps those who help themselves they will continue to bemoan the fact that the harness horse is almost completely ignored by the public press. The sporting columns of the daily press in most big cities are not managed by men who cater to any particular sport, but are filled with the news that the editor from experience knows the people want. Is there anyone who supposes that the space devoted to automobiles every day would be thus filled if the automobile manufacturers were not vieing with each other in advertising for which they pay liberally? Is there a first-class amusement resort of any kind that does not have its press agent? Every grammar school baseball nine has a member who is required to send the score of every game played to the daily press. Publicity is considered a necessity and no effort is spared to get it. If the harness horse men will organize and employ a press agent to furnish prompt and reliable reports of the doings in horsedom to the daily press, they need not fear but they will be accepted, and the harness horse column be made a feature of nearly every leading journal. "It pays to advertise," but the people who run newspapers are not given to boosting any sport in which the participants show so little interest that they cannot find time to furnish the editor a few facts.

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If there is any person in this country who imagines that harness racing is losing its popularity with harness horse owners and breeders he should have his attention called to the lists of entries being received by the enterprising associations east of the Rocky Mountains. The Kentucky Futurity for two and three-year-olds sprung a surprise to the pessimists when it announced that this stake had received a total of 932 nominations, an increase of 82 over last year. Now comes the three half-mile track associations in Orange county, New York, with an average of from 35 to 40 entries in every race of a big program of harness races. Other associations are reporting a big increase in entries and there seems to be a general revival in harness horse affairs all along the line. The racing of trotting and pacing horses has been an American sport for so long that it is foolish to predict its demise because the automobile has taken the place of driving horses on the road. Few people who live near the water now use a row boat for the purpose of transportation, but the racing of oar-propelled boats and shells is still one of the biggest features of sport all over the world, and for a college man to make a place on the first eight is still and will continue to be one of the greatest honors in college athletics.

From California to Maine the state and county fairs find that harness racing is the most popular of all the amusements thus far devised, and every progressive fair association gives a good program of harness racing annually. There were nearly two thousand harness race meetings reported in the United States last year and there are more meetings advertised for 1916 to date than were announced up to this time in 1915. Contests between speed horses have drawn cheering and enthusiastic crowds since history began to be recorded and will continue so long as the equine race exists and any members of it are bred for speed.

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It is estimated that England has 800,000 horses in military service, France 600,000, Italy 300,000, Russia 800,000, and the central powers 1,500,000.

THREE HEATS TO THE RACE.

Three heats and three heats only is to be the rule at the Breeders' meeting to be held at Santa Rosa in August. In all class races a purse of $900 is offered, or $300 for each heat, divided 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. There will be no additional money for the horse standing best in the summary and if no horse acquires this honor neither will he acquire a winrace record. The new rule (Rule 2, Sec. 9) states: 'In races limited to a specified number of heats or dashes the horse standing best in the summary shall acquire a winrace." Consequently if no horse stands best no horse will get a winrace. The class events announced for the Santa Rosa meeting, the particulars and conditions of which will be found in the advertisement, are announced as follows:

Trotting		Pacing.	
2:09 class	$900	Free-for-all	$900
2:12 class	900	2:10 class	900
2:15 class	900	2:13 class	900
2:20 class	900	2:20 class	900

These races with the four divisions of the Pacific Breeders' Futurity will provide a program of racing that will not only attract all the best horses remaining California this year, but should also provide excellent contests in each and every event. Three heats only with every heat a race will make snappy and close racing. The horse that wins a position in a heat will get the money he earns, even though through accident or disability of some kind he may be prevented from starting or be distanced in a succeeding heat. The Santa Rosa track which is known as one of the best and fastest on the Pacific Coast will be in perfect condition for racing as it is now in the very best of shape for training, and the official announcement that the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders' Association will open the California circuit there in August will doubtless lead many trainers to move their horses to that track forthwith. Santa Rosa should be a lively place for the harness horse trainers from now to the close of the meeting and there is no finer climate in California than the city of roses can furnish during the intervening months.

EASTER RACES AT HANFORD.

The Kings County fair grounds was the scene of a race meeting Easter Sunday that would have done credit to one of the pretentious circuit tracks. Nearly six hundred enthusiasts were in attendance and all were satisfied at the completion of the program that this section of the State has some good harness horses and that the love of harness racing has not gone from Kings county.

Firebaugh, the good Fresno pacer, won the free-for-all pace with Leggett's Mollie a close contender and a winner of one heat.

Miss Brown by Altavela won the 2:30 trot after losing the first heat to Dexter W.

Sidney Borden, a very promising son of Guy Borden, performed like his illustrious sire and won the three-year-old pace in race horse style. Keep your eye on this bird.

Dr. S. E. Watkins, Monte McKay and T. N. West were the judges, while E. Gravatt and U. R. McKay took and recorded the time.

Clarence Johnson, of Sacramento fame, did the starting in clever style. Results:

First race—Free-for-all pace. Half-mile heats.

Firebaugh	(Brollier)	1	2	1
Mollie	(Leggett)	2	1	2
Charlie C.	(Gray)	3	4	3
Queen Mona	(Reynolds)	4	3	4

Time—1:05¼, 1:04½, 1:06.

Second race—2:40 class trot:

Miss Brown	(Brown)	2	1	1
Dexter W.	(Levine)	1	3	2
Grey Jenny	(Gallup)	3	2	3

Time—1:15, 1:16¼, 1:14½.

Third race—Three-year-old pace:

Sidney Borden	(Senter)	1	1	
Julia Direct	(Gallup)	2	2	
Guy Rock	(Gray)	3	3	

Time—1:11½, 1:10½.

MARJORIE AGUIRRE.

STANFORD-OCCIDENT FUTURITY No. 2.

Monday, May 15th, is the date set for closing the above named stake this year. In the trotting division $500 will be awarded in each event of the three heats, to which the race is limited unless no horse wins two of the three, in which event a fourth heat will be raced by the heat winners. The money will be divided 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent in each heat, and an additional $300 will go to the horse standing best in the summary. In the pacing division there will be $350 for each heat, with $150 additional to the horse standing highest at the end of the race. It costs but $2 to nominate a mare in this stake. The late closing date this year will probably result in a loss in number of nominations, but this very fact should induce every owner of a prospective trotting or pacing bred colt to see that he is started in life with an eligibility to this rich stake as his percentage of chances to win will consequently be greater. Don't let Monday, May 15th, pass without nominating as many mares as you can possibly afford to in the Stanford-Occident Stake.

H. S. Hogoboom's fine colt by Robert Bingen has been declared out of the stakes in which it was entered owing to its being ruptured. This is not the only bad luck H. S. has had this year but bad luck never stopped him yet and he intends to win the stake for foals of 1915 with Beautiful Baby by Palo King.

THE EARLY DAY FAMILY OF THE AMERICAN TROTTER.

[P. M. Babcock, Breeders' Gazette.]

England having produced the Thoroughbred, Hackney, Shire and Suffolk, Scotland the Clydesdale, France the Percheron, Belgium the Belgian, and Russia the Orloff trotter, it remained for America to evolve the greatest families of trotting race horses the world has ever known. That imp. Messenger was the fountainhead from which has sprung practically all the American trotting families is a fact so well established by the records that it is not now and never has been disputed by intelligent American horsemen. He was as much the founder of the American trotting race horse as the Darley Arabian was of the Hackney, or the Godolphin Arabian of the English Thoroughbred.

Messenger was foaled in 1780, and was probably bred by John Pratt of Newmarket, England, although this fact is not known to a certainty. He was sired by Mambrino, he by Engineer, he by Sampson, he by Blaze, he by Flying Childers, and he by the Darley Arabian. Messenger first appeared upon the turf in 1783 when he was 3 years old and started in 2 races, which he won. He was raced in 1784 and 1785, but the names of his get while in England do not appear in the list of successful race horses, and it is fair to presume that they did not cut much of a figure on the English turf. In 1788 Messenger was purchased by some American horseman and imported into Philadelphia, but strange as it may appear the name of his importer is not given in the history of the horse as written by the most distinguished writers of that day. From 1788 to 1808 Messenger was in the stud at Philadelphia, at Noah Hunt's near Pennington, N. J., in Bucks county, Pa., on Long Island, in Ducthess county, N. Y., at Maidenhead, N. J., at Goshen, N. Y., at Cooper's Ferry opposite Philadelphia and in Westchester county, N. Y. The stud career of Messenger in this country covered a period of 20 years, during which he conferred greater benefits upon the breeding interests of America than any other horse that ever lived.

Messenger is described as having been a "grey that became lighter and flea-bitten with age. He was 15.3 hands high and for a Thoroughbred his appearance was coarse. He did not supply the mind with an idea of beauty, but he impressed upon it a conception of power."

Among the sons of Messenger that achieved distinction as a sire of trotting speed was Mambrino. This horse was foaled in 1806. The most prominent turf performer of his get was the famous Betsy Baker, which in her day was considered one of the best trotting race horses that had ever been seen on the Long Island racetracks. In 1822 Mambrino was bred to Amazonia, a granddaughter of Messenger, and one of the fastest trotters of her day, and the produce was Abdallah, which has been justly described as "king of trotting sires of his generation." It was this horse that sired Hambletonian 10, whose bloodlines are found in fully 90 per cent of the present-day trotting race horses.

Bishop's Hambletonian was another son that distinguished himself as a sire of trotting speed. This horse was foaled in 1804. His dam was by imp. Shark, a pure Thoroughbred. His latter years were spent in Vermont. While there he sired Harris's Hambletonian and this horse became the progenitor of a great family of trotters known as the "Vermont Hambletonians," some of which were very fast pacers, among them being the famous Hero, the fastest pacer of his generation. Bishop's Hambletonian was also the sire of Judson's Hambletonian, which sired the Andrus horse that sired the fast trotting mare Princess, which often raced against Flora Temple. He also sired the fast mare known as One Eye, the grandam of Hambletonian.

Still another son of Messenger that distinguished himself as a sire was Winthrop, or Maine Messenger. He was foaled in 1807. He was bred on Long Island and taken to Maine when 10 years old and kept there the rest of his life. While in that state he sired such noted performers as Fanny Pullen and Daniel D. Tompkins, and one of his sons sired the famous Zachary Taylor. No other horse that ever lived did as much for the horse breeding interests of Maine as this renowned son of Messenger. Many of the best horses of that state today trace their lineage back to this distinguished sire.

Of all the get of Messenger that distinguished themselves as trotting race horses the palm clearly belongs to Topgallant. This bay gelding was foaled in 1807 and was one of the last of the get of his famous sire. He was bred on Long Island and used upon the farm as a general-purpose horse until he was 14 years old. When he reached this age it was discovered that he possessed an unusual amount of trotting speed for a common work horse, and although he was spavined on both hind legs he was purchased by a gentleman in Philadelphia who developed him for racing purposes. In point of stamina at the age in which he raced it is doubtful if his equal was ever seen in this or any other country. When he was 22 years old he trotted a match race of 4-mile heats under saddle. He lost the first heat which was in 11:16. The second was a dead heat in 11:06. He won the next two heats in 11:17 and 12:15, thus making the 16 miles in 45 minutes and 54 seconds, being an average of 2:52⅛ minutes to the mile. When 24 years old he started in a field of 8 in a race of 3-mile heats, and although beaten in the race he won the second heat in 8:15 and was second in the last heat and stood second in the summaries. The next week after this race he trotted a match race of 3-mile heats with Whalebone, which he won.

In considering the wonderful showing made by Messenger in transmitting trotting speed to his progeny it must be remembered that he was a Thoroughbred, that most of the mares bred to him were Thoroughbreds, and that running races constituted the racing sport of that day. It is fair to presume that if any of his descendants were trained for speed it was primarily at the running gait and that the discovery of trotting speed was largely accidental.

From what source Messenger derived his ability to transmit trotting speed so uniformly to his descendants is one of those hidden mysteries. No other Thoroughbred in the world's history has ever been able to establish a family of trotting race horses of sufficient ability to warrant their training and racing. For racing purposes the descendants of Messenger so far eclipse all other breeds that they have been practically consigned to oblivion.

In the spring of 1822 John Tredwell, Queens Co., L. I., bred his famous pair of driving mares Amazonia and Sophonisba to Mambrino, a son of Messenger, and the next year each produced a bay colt that he named Abdallah and Almack. Sophonisba, the dam of Almack, was a superior road horse, but was not so fast as her mate. Her sire was a grandson of imported Baronet, but as the Baronets were not trotters of any considerable merit it is manifest that whatever trotting inheritance Almack possessed came to him from his sire. The most distinguished of the family founded by Almack was the horse known as Champion. He spent most of his days in Cayuga Co., N. Y., and the Champion Family was well known in that section for many years as trotters of great merit.

Amazonia, the dam of Abdallah, was purchased by B. T. Kissum, near Philadelphia, in 1814, when she was four years old. She was sired by a son of Messenger. The breeding of her dam has never been traced. Mr. Kissum used her but a short time when he sold her to Mr. Tredwell, who used her on the road for many years and occasionally raced her. While she was not phenomenally fast, she trotted several miles better than 3 minutes and her stamina and gameness made her one of the most famous road animals of her day. She is described as a sorrel in color, with rough hips and a rat tail.

Abdallah was a beautiful dark-bay, about 15.2 hands high, and there was a measure of coarseness about him that he could not well escape, as both his sire and dam were endowed with that undesirable quality in a more or less degree. His coat was fine and glossy when in healthy condition. His reputation as a sire of trotters was quite wide during a portion of his life, but his coarseness and rat tail, which he inherited from his dam, so impaired his acceptability with the public that he was never largely patronized. Besides this he possessed an evil temper, which he transmitted to his offspring. When he was four years old Mr. Tredwell undertook to break him to harness and train him for racing. But when put in harness he kicked everything to pieces, and all attempts to train him were abandoned. He was never in harness again until in extreme old age, when he was sold to a fish peddler for $5, and the fish peddler's wagon was soon reduced to kindling wood.

He was kept in the stud at different places on Long Island, and one season in New Jersey, until he was 16 years old, when he with Commodore, another son of Mambrino, was sold to John W. Hunt, Lexington, Ky., where he made the season of 1840. He was almost neglected in the stud in Kentucky, and only left about a half-dozen colts in that state. His progeny on Long Island, however, began to show their racing qualities; a company was formed and he was brought back from Kentucky and was afterwards in the stud on Long Island, at Freehold, N. J., Goshen and Chester, N. Y., and one season in New York City.

"After the period of his usefulness was passed," says a distinguished writer, "his inhuman owners turned him out on a bleak, sandy beach on the Long Island shore and there he starved to death in the piercing winds of November without a shelter or a friend."

Abdallah was the sire of Hambletonian 10. This fact alone has made his name imperishable in the annals of the trotting horse. In this connection it is curious to observe that of all the get of Abdallah, Hambletonian 10 was the only one to make a success as a sire of trotting speed. In 1848 while Abdallah was standing at Chester, Orange Co., N. Y., he was bred to the Kent mare and the produce was Hambletonian 10, foaled in 1849. At this stage of the process in tracing the bloodlines of Hambletonian 10 the Kent mare must be considered. This mare was bred by Josiah S. Jackson, Oxford, Orange Co., N. Y., and was foaled in 1833. She was sired by imp. Bellfounder, a purebred Hackney, and her dam was One Eye by Hambletonian, a son of Messenger; grandam Silvertail by imp. Messenger; great-grandam Black Jin, breeding unknown. When the Kent mare was three years old Mr. Jackson sold her to Peter Seeley, who sold her to Mr. Pray of New York. Mr. Pray sold her to William Shivis, who sold her to a broker in New York, who used her as one of a pair for road driving until the team ran away and she became lame. She was then sold to Charles Kent, a butcher of New York, who bred her to Webber's Tom Thumb. She was then (1843) sold to Jonas Seeley and returned to Orange county, where she spent her remaining years.

In 1849 she with her sucking colt, which developed into Hambletonian 10, was sold to William Rysdyk, Chester, N. Y., for $125. While she was never trained for racing an any considerable extent, it is said that she trotted a mile under saddle over the Union course in 2:41. During the time she was owned by Jonas Seeley and Mr. Rysdyk she produced 11 foals to different stallions, and not one of them except as a race horse or sire or a producer of speed. Some writers have claimed that the power of Hambletonian 10 to transmit trotting speed was derived from the Hackney blood which he inherited from the Kent mare. But an examination of her bloodlines in conjunction with those of Abdallah clearly indicates that such power came from the inexhaustible supply which imp. Messenger seemed to possess. This conclusion is strengthened by the fact that during all the years that Bellfounder was in the stud in this country, only the Kent mare and one other ever showed any symptoms of speed, and not one of his descendants ever sired an animal that acquired a standard record.

In searching for the reason why Hambletonian 10 was endowed to sire trotting speed with uniformity, the investigator is met with perplexing obstacles on every hand. For at least 150 years English breeders have been crossing the Thoroughbred with the Hackney of substantially the same blood as that possessed by Messenger and Bellfounder, and no animal has come from such breeding that has acquired a record of 2:30 or better. No other of the get of Abdallah or the produce of the Kent mare ever demonstrated an ability to transmit speed at the trotting gait. And in addition to this Abdallah was 25 years old when he sired Hambletonian 10, and the Kent mare was 16 when she produced him, thereby controverting the accepted theory of most breeders that stallions and mares of that age have passed the period of their prowess for siring or producing speed.

At the Brooklyn, New York, horse show held week before last the fifteen mile endurance test for army horses was won by a bay gelding ridden by C. V. Hicox, Jr., whose time was one hour and seven minutes for the distance, the horse coming in so fresh and fine that he was awarded the first prize over others that came in ahead of him in a rather exhausted condition.

Although reports from Thomasville, Ga., have been to the effect that W. J. Andrews would soon be seen in the sulky, a despatch from Cleveland states that he is not improving as rapidly as was generally thought, and that the entire burden of handling th Pastime Stable trotters this year will probably borne by Ben White.

Notes and News

Three heats to the race.

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Will be the rule in all class races at Santa Rosa.

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The State Fair will have the same rule in all its class events this year.

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There will be a total of $42,000 in purses and stakes raced for at the New York State Fair this year.

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Chocolate Soldier, champion of the pony Hackneys at the 1915 London Horse Show, has been imported to the United States by Truman's Stud Farm, Bushnell, Ill.

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It is said that the stallion, Wilkie Collins, who died several years ago, served fifty-four mares in his twenty-sixth year, sixty-five per cent of which proved in foal.

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Doc Tanner will leave Mr. C. K. G. Billings' Curles Neck Farm about May 1st with a string of horses to train at North Randall. The pacer William 1:58½ will be among them.

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J. O. Gerrety is at Lexington, Ky., with a big string of horses owned by H. J. Schlesinger, headed by Walnut Tree (2:10¾ as a two-year-old) by Siliko, dam by Peter the Great.

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August Belmont, chairman of the New York Jockey Club, has sent his trotting mare Gales Wintha 2:19¼, by Ramapoor, a son of Stamboul, to be bred to Belwin 2:06¾, son of McKinney.

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Will Fleming has arrived at the Indianapolis track with Joe Patchen II 2:03¼, The Beaver 2:05¾ and The Badger 2:15¼. All three are in fine shape and are confidently expected to reduce their records this season.

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The Orange County Driving Club has completed preparations for a big program of racing on the Santa Ana track Monday next, May 1st. There will be events for trotters, pacers and runners, as well as bicycle races and other amusements.

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There were 19 stallions of the Alcyone family of trotters which appeared for the first time in the table of producing sires in 1915. Of these 13 were of the McKinney family, there being nine sons, three grandsons and one great-grandson of that famous stallion.

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Louis Titus, of Piedmont, who purchased the historic Stony Ford Farm in Orange county, New York, about two years ago, has nominated 23 mares in the Kentucky Futurity for foals of 1916. Several of the mares named Mr. Titus purchased at the Woodland Stock Farm dispersal.

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The record price for a yearling mule in Missouri was paid at Paris in that state last week for a mare mule, 11 months old, the figure at which it changed hands being $265. The youngster was 15½ hands and a model in both body and bone, according to the Missouri Stockman.

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Kentucky Jew 5475, saddle stallion by Kentucky Choice, was sold recently by the Blue Grass Stock Farm, Kentucky, to P. J. Donnelly, of St. Louis, Missouri, for $2,500. The horse will be placed in the stud at Paris, Mo., at $25 to insure, and will then be trained for the show rings at the fall fairs.

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At the recent sales of the Lyons County (Iowa) Draft Horse Breeders' Association, Rock Rapids, Iowa, an average of $454.40 was made. The sales were topped by two Belgian mares, each of which brought $1,005, while a yearling daughter of one of these mares brought the snug sum of $400.

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Horsemen throughout the country will extend their sympathy to E. J. Tranter, president of the Fasig-Tipton Company, in the death of his mother, which occurred at Mr. Tipton's home in Flushing, L. I., April 8th. Interment was in Buffalo, the old home of the deceased and where she had a large circle of friends.

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Seventy-five head of saddle bred horses were sold at the annual Mexico, Missouri, auction sale April 8th. The high figure of the auction was $1,000 paid for the stallion Marshall Chief, that had 25 registered saddle mares booked to him before the day was over. Miss Loula Long consigned her gelding The Dude to the sale and he was snapped up by a dealer at $270 and sold by him to a patron for more than three times the amount within an hour. The mare Cigarette was sold at private sale for $1500, her owner putting that price on her and refusing to take a lower bid, although she was consigned to the sale but not offered at auction. H. C. Downing of Des Moines, Iowa, purchased the mare.

Messrs. Frederick Johnson and C. K. G. Billings will start the racing season of 1916 with practically a stable of imported horses picked from the English Farms by Charles T. Patterson of Ornament fame, with little regard to prices paid so long as the youngsters were up to his standard.

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Over four hundred trotters and pacers have been nominated for the Goshen, New York, meeting. There are ten events with an average of over 40 nominations in each class. At Monroe and Middletown, the average is over 35 for each of 11 events. These towns are all in Orange county and the tracks are all half-mile rings.

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Although the Simpson Bill, designed to turn the New York Speedway over to the automobilists, was passed in the New York Senate last Friday by a vote of 29 to 10, a despatch from Albany states that it is not believed the proposition will be advanced any further by the legislators, as it is almost sure to be defeated when it gets to the rules committee.

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Miss Vesta Stibbs, of Lebanon, Ohio, not only breeds horses, but she also is the champion reinswoman of the Buckeye State. The Orphan Boy 2:22½, with whom she was only one time "out of the money" last year, was broken, trained and driven in all his races by Miss Stibbs. At one race meeting last year she acted as timer, and at another she was one of the judges.

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Announcement is made of the death of the famous gaited saddle mare Emily, which Gen. Castleman rode to victory in the arena of the Columbian Exposition at Chicago. She was a wonderfully handsome mare, having the beauty, grace and spirit which is the ideal of breeders of the American Saddle horse, and was free from all coarseness. She was nearly thirty years old at the time of her death.

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Empire City Farm, William Simpson, owner, is to pass. All the horses in training, as well as the mares, colts and fillies, will be sold at auction during May by the Lexington Sales Company of Lexington, Kentucky. The stallions McKinney, now 29 years old, and Axworthy, 24, will not be sold, but will end their days on the Farm. There are about 75 head of choicely bred animals to be sold.

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The death of Colbert 2:07½, chestnut son of Onward, is announced at Palatine, Ill. He was in his 29th year, and for years had been a pensioner on the farm of Charley Dean. Colbert was quite a successful sire and his best son was probably Nervolo 2:04¼, sire of Nervolo Belle, dam of Peter Volo 2:02, the present world's champion two, three and four-year-old trotter, and also dam of Volga 2:07¾, the unbeaten two-year-old of 1915.

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Doc Tanner always contended that there were two kinds of game horses; the first, and by far the most numerous, are the ones which plod along and try as long as their drivers keep forcing them, and the other variety, which is scarce, are those which have the disposition born in them to make an everlasting struggle at the critical moment in a race. The latter kind will respond instantly on demand and continue to the point of exhaustion.

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That wild burros in the Grand Canyon of the Colorado are increasing rapidly is the report from a ranger on the Tusayan National Forest, who says the little animals in their search for forage are finding their way to the top in such numbers as to constitute a nuisance. Already there are thousands of the animals in the Grand Canyon from Supai to the mouth of the Little Colorado, according to the Forest ranger.

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A Kentucky thoroughbred mare called Lady, owned by William A. Wolfe of Beatrice, Nebraska, died recently at the age of thirty-six years. Mr. Wolfe purchased the mare in Kentucky in 1885 and immediately brought her to the west where she was used as a saddle horse for twenty-eight years and was then retired. She knew five gaits perfectly and Mr. Wolfe often traveled ninety miles in a day on her back. The mare was in almost perfect health up to the day of her death.

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Two world's records for April were hung up at Sacramento last Sunday. Charley Silva won the last heat of the free-for-all pace with Potrero Boy in 2:06¼ and H. S. Cowell took the first heat of the free-for-all trot with Albaloma in 2:08. These were matinee events but the times made have never been equaled this early in the season anywhere. Both drivers received the congratulations of the many horsemen present and it will be many an April before their records are beaten.

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Verbena Ansel 2:22, world's record for a yearling trotter on a half-mile track, died at Lafayette, Indiana, last week. Verbena was bred at Woodland Stock Farm and was by Prince Ansel, dam Verbena Mac by Directum Spier, and reduced her record to 2:22 on the mile track at Lexington last September. This filly with others was sold by Mr. C. A. Harrison to Crouch & Son of Lafayette, after she had made her record and was being well entered this year in the two-year-old events and was well staked besides. Although Mr. Harrison had parted with the filly, no one will regret her death more than he.

David West, the Fillmore street turf goods dealer, says Santa Maria must be quite a lively trotting horse town as the orders which came to him from there during the week for horse boots and harness were evidence that something more than ordinary must be doing in the speed line.

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A daughter of Diablo 2:09¼, with no mark, perfectly sound and without a blemish and with two-minute speed, is offered in our columns by a lady living at Everett, Washington. This mare with three months training paced a mile in 2:09 on a mile track and one in 2:12 on a half-mile track. Is in training now and in good condition.

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The Second Annual Horse Show for the benefit of the San Francisco Polyclinic and the Peoples Place opened Thursday at the San Francisco Riding Academy, Seventh avenue, with a good entry list and a large attendance. A full report of the show with list of prize winners will be published in the Breeder and Sportsman next week.

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Secretary Kline announces that a special weight condition will be attached to the 2:06 trotting class for the North Randall Grand Circuit meeting to read as follows: "All drivers must make the same weight. To arrive at this the bodily weight of the heaviest driver in the race must be made by all other drivers." The same condition will probably prevail with the 2:06 trot at the Grand Rapids meeting.

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It has been carefully computed that allowing for the variance in the price of feed a working farm horse will eat from $50 to $80 worth of hay and grain during the year, which of course is figured on the feed being produced on the farm. Horses can be pastured when not working at a cost of $2 per month per head in most California counties, although higher rates are asked where any attention must be given them.

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Monday next, May 1st, will be the last opportunity to secure a substitution in Pacific Breeders' Futurity for foals of 1915. There are a few to be had and those who apply first will be first served. The two-year-old divisions of this stake will be trotted and paced in 1917 and the three-year-old divisions the following year. If you have a foal of 1915 that is not staked now is the chance to get him started right. It will be too late after Monday, May 1st.

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J. H. Nelson of Selma, Cal., has a fine pair of blacks for sale. They are full brother and sister, eight and nine years old this spring, sired by Expressive Mac and their dam the grandam of Clara Mac 2:04½. They have been used as a hearse team for four years and Mr. Nelson thinks they are the best pair in California for that purpose or for a large fancy team for any purpose. They are 16.3 and weigh 2,535 pounds. Read further particulars in the advertisement on another page.

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This is the season when horse boots will be required more as the trotters and pacers begin moving faster. See that your horse is protected, and send to J. David West, 1018 Fillmore street, San Francisco, for anything you need in the line of horse clothing, bandages, liniments, coolers, etc. Mr. West is the only retail dealer in San Francisco that keeps a stock of everything in the line of horse accoutrements and supplies. His prices are right and satisfaction is guaranteed. Orders by mail receive prompt attention.

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As a rule, after a horse has been put in good condition, the mouth properly bridled and feet properly shod, there will be no further difficulty either with overreaching or the clicking of a horse in traveling. In some cases it may be necessary to employ artificial means. The principle is to hasten the action of the forefeet and to encourage a slow or dwelling movement of the hind ones, in order to allow the former to get out of the way of the latter. The action of the fore feet can often be hastened by slightly rounding off the toes of the front shoes, which has a tendency to encourage a horse to raise his feet quickly. On the other hand, the action of the hind feet can often be retarded by raising the toes of the hind shoes and lowering the heels, but the trainer of a trotter used for racing never desires to retard any speed that the horse has at either end.

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Mr. F. B. Dupree of Los Angeles has sent to W. G. Durfee's speed school his four-year-old filly Bonnie Treat by The Bondsman out of the famous broodmare Johanna Treat. She is a beautiful filly with all the earmarks of a trotter. Mr. Dupree's mare May Belle Treat by Neernut, dam Johanna Treat, has a filly foal by Kenneth C. at foot which Will Durfee liked so much when he first cast eyes on her that he remarked: "That filly looks good enough to be a Carlokin." Mr. Dupree thinks she must be some filly to get a rise like that from William. May Belle Treat is headed for as famous a name as her dam. She is the dam of Nutway 2:18¼ that was broke, trained and raced by an amateur, Mr. Bert Carpenter. She is also the dam of a full brother to Nutway that showed miles better than 2:16 last fall, and her only other foal living beside the one at her side is a three-year-old gelding by Kenneth C. that is considered a sure 2:10 trotter with luck and opportunity. May Belle Treat has been bred to Carlokin this year.

The Bard and The Barb

[Written for the Breeder and Sportsman by C. A. McCully.]

All the civilized world, especially that part of it which is not busy killing its neighbor, has united this week in paying tribute to the memory of William Shakespeare, by far the most gifted writer that the world has known. Last Sunday marked the three hundredth anniversary of the death of this transcendent genius, who had retired to his old home at Stratford-on-Avon in 1611 after a busy but comparatively short life in London, where he won his way to the front rank in the world of letters, as well as being a successful producer of his own plays.

This being the start of the active season for the owners and trainers on this side of the Rockies, they may not have time or inclination for reading any of the extended tributes that are being paid to this most remarkable Englishman, but it is fitting in this connection that brief reference be made to Shakespeare's knowledge of the horse, along with some of the comments made by him on the noblest of the brute creation. These are found in several of his plays and poems, and furnish another evidence that he was a "superman" among his fellows, in the variety and scope of his knowledge

The most familiar instance is where he makes Richard the Third cry out on Bosworth Field, with defeat and ruin staring him in the face, "A horse! a horse! My kingdom for a horse!" There are two more detailed passages, one in the poem Venus and Adonis, and another in a comedy, that show Shakespeare as a close observer, and having a keen eye for a good horse, or able to find the defects in a bad one.

The former, written in his salad days when he was fresh from the fields of Warwickshire, stands out by itself as a masterpiece of description, and while well known to every student is worth repeating. After a mention of the stallion that Adonis had used in the hunt, and then tethered to a tree while he rested and was wooed by the siren goddess, the merits of the animal are most vividly portrayed. He begins by preparing us for something out of the ordinary in these lines:

"Look when a painter would surpass the life,
In limning out a well proportioned steed,
His art with nature's workmanship at strife,
As if the dead the living should exceed;
So did this horse excel a common one
In shape and courage, colour, pace and bone."

Then, as if inspired by his own mental portrait he proceeds to create this gem of crisp and close detail, in the following verse, that has long ago become a classic of its kind:

"Round-hoof'd, short jointed, fetlocks shag and long
Round breast, full eye, small head and nostril wide,
High crest, short ears, straight legs and passing strong,
Thin mane, thick tail, broad buttocks, tender hide.
Look, what a horse should have he did not lack,
Save a proud rider on so proud a back."

In striking contrast to this master picture of a model type, is the one in "The Taming of the Shrew," describing the sorry-looking nag that Petruchio rode, when he went in his nondescript rig to wed the high strung virago Katherine. It is in the third Act of this great comedy that Biondello, servant to Lucentio, telling of Petruchio's most grotesque wedding gear, describes his mount in this graphic fashion:

"His horse hipped with an old mothy saddle, and stirrups of no kindred. Besides, possessed with glanders, and like to mose in the chine, troubled with the lampass, infected with the fashions, full of windgalls, sped with spavins, raied with the yellows, past cure of the fives, stark spoiled with the staggers, begnawn with the bots; swayed in the back and shoulder shotten."

It would puzzle the most cynical and eloquent of our old friend "Yarrum's" coterie of swipes to beat the above for a collection of physical defects and misery.

Scattered through many more of the plays are further evidences that Shakespeare was fond of a good horse, and by no means a novice regarding the breeding and handling of the type in fashion during his day. In his greatest tragedy, "Hamlet," the wicked king and uncle of the "melancholy Dane," speaking to Laertes of the latter's tour with his nephew, and its value as an education. says:

"Some two months since, here was a gentleman of Normandy,—I have seen myself and served against the French and they can well on horseback,—but this gallant had witchcraft in't; he grew unto his seat, and to such wondrous doing brought his horse, as he had been incorpsed and demi-natured with the brave beast."

Among the strange and often obscure sayings in the saddest of all the tragedies, "King Lear," is where one character says, "The dancing horse will tell you." This is not explained by the context but the reference is to a famous performing horse of remarkable intelligence that a showman named Bankes had on exhibition in 1589, first in London, and then on the continent. It is further recorded of this learned nag that while in France, the Capuchin order of monks came near to ending his usefulness as a money-getter for his master by denouncing him as a sorcerer that had assumed a horse's shape. In this same play there is humorous reference by the court jester who is trying to cheer up the heavy hearted monarch, to a cockney (cook) that did and said queer things, and according to this clever fool's conceit, "'Twas her brother that in pure kindness to his horse, buttered his hay."

Through the historical plays of King Henry Fourth and Eighth are several trite sayings and aphorisms derived from the horse lore of this master dramatist. In the former, Hotspur as Henry Percy the younger was nicknamed, tells the Earl of March that the latter's father bores him greatly and exclaims: "O, he's as tedious as is a tired horse." There are references to the disease called bots in this play also, when one of the carters at the inn yard in Rochester says, "Peas and beans are as dank here as a dog, and this the next way to give poor jades the bots." Finally, in Henry the Eighth, is a simile so full of sound sense that it is as applicable today as then. The Duke of Norfolk, speaking to Buckingham and trying to soothe his wrath against Cardinal Woolsey, says: "Anger is like a full, hot horse, who being allowed his way, self-mettle tires him."

It is no wonder that Shakespeare's greatest contemporary, Ben Jonson, wrote in the prefix to the first edition of the former's plays and poems ,in the famous First Folio of 1623, "He was not of an age but for all time." The French novelist Dumas went still further when he speaks of him as "Greatest of Creators, except God," but our own Ingersoll, in the peroration of his never-to-be-forgotten lecture, puts it much better when he said, "The mind of Shakespeare was an ocean, touching all the shores of thought, an ocean into which all the rivers of intellect ran."

Note.—The ailments ascribed to Petruchio's horse are in the main unfamiliar to modern popular terms. "Mose in the chine" means spots like measles on the backbone; "lampass" is the swelling in the roof of the mouth commonly called lampers; "fashions" is a corruption of farcins or farcy, technically called "equinia"—practically the same as glanders; "fives" is properly "vives," a swelling in the glands behind the ear common to young horses fed on new grass; "raied with the yellows" is the hardest nut of all, but raied is an old English word for defiled, and yellows may mean the discoloration that results from some intestinal poisoning. It will be seen that Shakespeare uses the popular or stable names for these various ailments and blemishes.

FASTEST EVER IN APRIL.

When some of the harness horse trainers read in last Saturday's Breeder and Sportsman an account of the fast work being done by the Sacramento horses in training, which were made under the experienced and reliable timepiece that John A. McKerron of San Francisco had held on them, many of the aforesaid trainers were of the opinion that such fast work so early in the season would prevent the horses from going fast miles when they were ready to start in races.

But on Sunday last the Sacramento Driving Club held its opening matinee of the year with a trot and a pace on the card. In the very first race in which four trotters started, all records for this time of the year were broken, by the three heats of the race being trotted under 2:10, H. C. Cowell's Albaloma winning the first heat in 2:08, C. F. Silva's San Felipe taking the second in 2:09 and F. J. Ruhstaller's Kid Cupid the third in 2:08½. Walter Tryon's John Mack was either second or third in each heat and beat 2:10 himself.

Then, just to show that all the speed on tap at Sacramento was not the sole property of the trotters, C. F. Silva's Potrero won the free-for-all pace in 2:12½ and 2:06¼, with H. C. Cowell's Rastus lapped on him all the way.

Of course these races were not for money and were arranged entirely on sport and exhibition purposes, but they were contests and the times show there was no loafing by any of the horses started.

The summaries of the events with the times for each heat are as follows:

First race, free-for-all trot:

San Felipe.....(C. F. Silva)	2	1	2
Kid Cupid .....(Wilbur Smith)	4	3	1
Albaloma .....(H. C. Cowell)	1	4	4
John Mack .....(Walter Tryon)	3	2	3

Time—2:08, 2:09, 2:08½.

Second race, free-for-all pace:

Potrero Boy .....(C. F. Silva)	1	1
Rastus .....(H. C. Cowell)	2	2

Time—2:12½, 2:06¼.

The judges were: F. J. Ruhstaller, Paul Tarpey, Edward Paine; starter, F. E. Wright; timers, W. J. Ivey, Dr. E. J. Weldon, John Quinn.

HUMBOLDT CO. FAIR IN SEPTEMBER.

The Humboldt County Fair will hold its twenty-first annual exposition at Ferndale this year as usual. There will be four days' racing, on Sept. 6th, 7th, 8th and 9th, with from three to five races a day. Running events will be free to all, but the harness events are for horses owned in Humboldt county on Jan. 1, 1916. All entries clase the day previous to the race. Four are required to enter and three to start. Purses are from $100 to $250. The Humboldt County Fair has been an annual success for many years owing to the enterprising citizens of the county who manage it. W. B. Alford is president and R. H. Smith secretary.

THE LAST SPIKE OR THE LAW'S DECREE.

Opportunia Hamiltonian had been her father's closest friend, as well as his oldest and only daughter, but now she looked at him while he sat there before the electric toaster on the cold January eve a great gulf seemed to have come up between them. For weeks he had sat thus, only varying his recumbent position to grab up his pencil and feverishly work on the large square pasteboard that he had hung suspended between him and the buffet. Dextrously, coyly, even maliciously, Opportunia had attempted to draw from her parent the mystery that shrouded him, but he only treated her coldly when approached. Now, as she stood with the glint from the dying embers throwing fantastic figures in bold relief on the marble wainscoting, she felt that she must know the truth else she would go out into the world and seek to support herself by picking cotton. Determinedly she shook her head, unloosing six feet of trailing tresses, while fourteen teeth that gleamed like ebony, bared themselves as if to prove that Opportunia wasn't fooling. She stepped forward, but e'en as she did, the eyes of the parent lifted and he spoke:

"Opportunia," he said, "I cannot conceal it longer. When I started out last summer with the pacer I called Staggering Jim, I had no higher ambition than to earn enough honest dollars to give you the schooling you deserved—to start you on a domestic science or veterinary career. Staggering Jim had never started under that name before, but the title of Cranberry Prince didn't sound just right, while the record of 2:26¼ which was attached apparently kept him out of all those 2:37 paces that had been opened on the Lone Pine Circuit. So for these reasons—dry your tears, Opportunia—I changed his name and got him in. Well, we didn't win much, as you know. They seemed to be a little too fast for him most everywhere, but in one race, and there we got the old horse to the front and took a winrace of 2:24½.

"Now, I've just been figuring up a little and the result is startling. Cranberry Prince had a winrace of 2:26¼, but it was made on a mile track, eight years ago, and he has gained one second allowance each year since. Then the circuit gave three seconds more to horses fourteen years or older, two seconds more when owners drove them, and country horses got two more, and I find that I could have got him into the 2:50 classes, or thereabouts, under his old name. It ain't that the old horse would have won any more under his first name, but when a man don't get any better returns for his efforts to turn an honest dollar or two, it's time to give the game up. It looks as if you'd go through life without the help of the education I had planned out for you."

With a low gurgling moan that came from his very heart, the old man cast the figure-covered pasteboard into the flames, tied a "for sale" sign on the piano, kissed his daughter fondly and wrapping his threadbare shawl about his trembling shoulders, went out to beg for bread.—Western Horseman.

MATINEE MAY 30TH AT HEMET.

There is to be a matinee at the Hemet Stock Farm track on Decoration day, May 30th, if present plans are carried out. Hemet has had few good matinees in the past several years, and the promise of one for Decoration day and several to follow will be accepted with general enthusiasm locally. At the present time some of the fastest horses in the state are in training at the local farm and they will be on the program for that day.

Great Northern 2:12½, Dr. Wayo 2:12½ and Bon Courage 2:08¼, owned by Fred E. Ward, manager of the farm, will appear. Three such horses as these should be a big drawing card in themselves. The stock farm will enter its best two-year-olds, and Hemet, Fiesta Lou, Allie Lou and others will probably give exhibitions. A complete racing card is being prepared for the day, and some thrills are promised the public.

The stock farm horses are all working well at the present time and some fast trotters will be developed for the coming season. The training of the past several weeks has shown that the farm has at least two two-year-old trotters that can beat 2:30 and one two-year-old pacing filly has a quarter in 36¼ seconds. Every one at the track is enthusiastic over the outlook for this season, and the Hemet Stock Farm is certain to make a great showing in the racing meets on the coast.—Hemet News.

RIO VISTA HORSE SHOW.

The Rio Vista Horse and Stock Association has been organized to take charge of the horse show to be held at that enterprising river town September 23rd. The show given last year was a success and aroused much interest in Rio Vista as the center of a horse breeding section, and it is proposed to hold a much larger show this year. Some of the best draft stock in the State is raised in that part of Solano county, Messrs. E. W. Westgate, the McCormack Brothers, Perry Anderson, and others being the owners of some splendid imported stallions and mares. The officers of the association are E. W. Westgate, president, Geo. P. Dozier, secretary, John McCormack, M. L. Isham and Perry Anderson, directors. Anyone interested in horses or horse breeding should make arrangements to be in Rio Vista September 23d this year as the show will be well worth seeing. Rio Vista is easily reached by the Sacramento river boats and also by auto stage from Suisun on the Southern Pacific railroad.

Thoroughbred Matters

AGED HORSES GOOD WINNERS.

In these days of training yearlings and racing two-year-olds the impression is very general among those not in close touch with turf affairs that thoroughbreds no longer last beyond the age of four or five years except in rare instances, but the turf guides show a great many horses of mature age to be still on the track, and still winning, while not a few real veterans are earning brackets. In racing a horse is deemed to be "aged" after his sixth year. Among ninety-two aged horses in a list of winners of $10,000 or more recently published in Racing Form there were thirty-two that added to their earnings last season at the age of seven, eighteen at eight, twenty-one at nine, eleven at ten, seven at eleven, one at twelve and two at thirteen years of age.

Convincing proof of the wear-and-tear qualities of some of the modern sprinters was afforded by the victory of a horse at Juarez, Mexico, a few weeks ago, when nineteen years old, and more recently by the double win of old Budweiser at Hot Springs, Ark. He is sixteen years old and has been trained ever since he was a two-year-old.

The record of the Texas horse No Quarter, by Viking, out of Sweet Danger, by Deceiver, is remarkable in the number of races he has run. Foaled in 1904, this bay thoroughbred had to the close of last season started 361 times, and had won sixty-one races, worth $16,342. Philip Stevenson's Lad of Langdon, the same age, has taken part in 249 races and Black Mate, another veteran of the vintage of 1904, is credited with 262 starts.

Herculoid, a New York horse owned by Peter Hauck, Jr., is one of the oldest two runners now in training that have earned $10,000 or more. The other is Caper Sauce, hero of 183 races. Both were foaled in 1902. Borrow (7), Guy Fisher (9), Sir John Johnson (10), Iron Mask (7) and some others in the list are recognized as high class horses in almost any company. Guy Fisher is credited wit 255 races, of which he won forty-nine, worth $34,000. Borrow's winnings in England and America exceed $60,000, putting him at the head of the list of aged winners now in training.

The Whitney Memorial Steeplechase, which will be run at Piping Rock on June 3rd, the second day of the Piping Rock Racing Association's meeting, promises to be of more than usual interest, for the reason that the number of jumpers in training this year is greater than ever and includes a much better class of horses than ever before. Not alone will all the old-time stars be seen at the post, but with them will be a number of aspirants for fame in this line of sport, many of them imported horses that have been purchased at big prices for the purpose. Another feature of the race is that it will be the richest of the year's prizes for the jumpers. Henry Payne Whitney adds $3,000 to the race. The Piping Rock Racing Association gives $500 in plate, and with the entrance and starting fees which go to the winner, the race will have a value of about $6,000.

Mr. Kennedy Jones, an English breeder, after a careful study of everything that is worth studying, has come to the conclusion that the breeding of a real good racehorse can only be a matter of finding the right method of inbreeding, but Mr. Jones would refrain from any inbreeding rather than practice such on the lines suggested by Bruce Lowe. In his opinion, also, in the breeding of good race horses the road to success leads over a series of disappointments and failures, and it behooves the breeder to study most carefully the causes which may have determined the failure, and to try again on a different line without, however, swerving from one's principle. Nobody knows before what a mare may breed to a given stallion carrying some of the same blood, but one should certainly be aware of either success or failure of the first attempt about twelve months after birth of the foal, and then be able to form an opinion as to whether, or not, the mare is a suitable individual for the purported principle of inbreeding.

THE $15,000 KENTUCKY HANDICAP.

On Saturday, June 3rd, the fourth renewal of America's greatest of all age races, the $15,000 Kentucky Handicap, will be decided at Douglas Park, Louisville, Kentucky.

The rich stake is the big feature race of the coming meeting this spring at this magnificent racing plant, the spring season there beginning on Monday, May 29th, and concluding on Monday, June 12th, a racing period of 13 days. There are 50 brilliant racers engaged in the Kentucky handicap this season, and an enormous percentage of them are being trained especially to fill their engagements in this rich stake.

Eastern turfmen are very prominent in the list of nominators for the Kentucky handicap this season, and the stars of all the great stables are eligible to this stake. Its running will be especially marked this year more than likely by Regret, H. P. Whitney's unbeaten filly, which is the only one of her sex to ever win the Kentucky derby, making her debut as a four-year-old in this race. She will be asked to try issue with Roamer, one of the most brilliant performers of recent years, and also be opposed by Waterblossom, excepting Regret the best of all racing mares racing on the American turf last season. If a race was devised that would draw only Regret, Roamer and Waterblossom together it would attract the attention of the entire racing world, but the magnitude of the Kentucky handicap looms up especially this year when the fact is taken into consideration that these three cracks will be opposed by all the sensational three-year-olds on which at present their owners are setting hopes to earn derby honors.

$3 TO SEE NEW YORK RACES.

August Belmont, president of the Westchester Racing Association, announces that the so-called Dollar Field at Belmont Park will not be thrown open when the spring meeting begins there next month. Belmont always has been a strong advocate of the cheap enclosure, believing that racegoers who cannot afford to pay the $3 tariff should not be deprived of the privilege of seeing high class thoroughbreds compete for rich stakes on the finest race track in the country. But it seems that Belmont has been compelled to yield to the wishes of the authorities in Nassau county.

The district attorney and the sheriff who have jurisdiction at Belmont Park feel that a continuance of the Dollar Field would make a rigid enforcement of the anti-bookmaking laws extremely difficult. They insist that a large majority of alleged violations of the law at the big track last year occurred in the smaller enclosure, where, they say, unscrupulous persons were hard to control.

For that reason the Nassau authorities asked Belmont the other day to bar the gates leading to the Dollar Field, so that they could devote their entire attention to the individual speculators who will pay $3 for badges admitting them to the regular grand stand enclosure.

The free field, however, will be open to race goers on certain days as usual. The public will be admitted to the space beyond the track rails, free of charge, but there will be no betting there, not even private wagers if the racetrack detectives can prevent it. In this way, accommodations will be provided for the persons who love race horses but cannot afford to spend money to see them run.

NEW ORGANIZATION IN KENTUCKY.

At a meeting held in Lexington April 15th, horsemen and others interested in the breeding and racing of thoroughbred horses and the general welfare of the turf, formed an organization to be known and incorporated as The Kentucky Thoroughbred Horse Association, with its principal offices at Lexington, sixty-three men signing the membership enrollment. There was much enthusiasm displayed.

Messrs. Milton Young, J. O. Keene, A. B. Hancock, John S. Barbee, Hal Price Headley, Thos. P. Hayes, Thos. C. McDowell, Charles H. Berryman, and F. A. Forsythe were elected a board of directors.

Hal Price Headley was elected president, Milton Young vice-president, Thos. B. Cromwell secretary, and the Phenix and Third National Bank, treasurer.

The lovers of the sport of racing in all sections of the country are eligible for membership. The membership fee is $10, no dues are collected the first year, after that the dues are $10 annually. Offices will be opened in the Hernando Building. The object of the organization is to do all lawful things for the improvement of the breed of horses and for the elevation of the turf and betterment of the sport of racing.

The 1916 rule books of the National Trotting Association are ready for distribution.

AS AN ENGLISHMAN SEES IT.

It has been made apparent in the last few seasons, writes a leading English authority on breeding, that the high-tide of St. Simon's fortunes has now set in. This statement in no way derogates from St. Simon's reputation as one of the greatest stallions of all time, but it simply acknowledges the natural and inevitable process by which nature after a while declines to perpetuate too much of a good thing. After a period of comparative quiescence we may probably find St. Simon surging up to the top again, but for the present the Stockwell line is in the ascendant, and mainly through Bend Or. The position of Polymelus in England is a very strong one indeed, for during the past two seasons he has been almost out by himself among winning stallions, and his two-year-olds look like maintaining his supremacy this year. Then Woodwinder, son of Martagon, has done great things on the Continent, while Martian, another Martagon horse, is the leading stallion in New Zealand. There are also descendants of Ormonde rapidly coming to the front, Orby, sire of Flash of Steel, being specially notable among these, and in this connection may be mentioned Adam Bede, whom breeders are apt to neglect on account of the thoughtless objection that he was bred in the United States. He was bred there, it is true, and so was Tracery, but neither horse has a single touch of native American blood in him. Adam Bede is by Adam (son of Flying Fox) out of Grace Gumberts, by Sainfoin, her dam Maid of Mentmore by Cameliard (son of Cremorne) out of Corisande (winner of the Cambrideshire), by King Tom out of Maybloom, by Newminster out of Lady Hawthorn. This is a splendid pedigree ,and Adam Bede was a right good racehorse. He is a thoroughly typical Stockwell, and should make a really great stallion. It must be remembered, however, that there are other lines of Stockwell besides that of Bend Or, Rock Sand, for instance, being very much in evidence with such sons as Tracery, Rochester and Rock Flint. For the time being, however, Polymelus is well in the lead, and he possesses the very great merit of siring stock very considerably superior to himself. It is a thousand pities that his three-parts brother, Ercildoune, was exiled to Uruguay, for in England he would probably have been as good a stallion as Mr. S. B. Joel's champion, Grafton, who was not in the same street with these other two sons of Maid Marian (Polymelus and Ercildoune), and a roarer to boot, but did wonders at the stud in Australia.

An English paper devoted to horse breeding says: At present there is no demand for young hunter-stock, the only marketable riding horse being the broken five-year-old under 16 hands, for the Army, and his top price for military purposes is £70. There is scarcely a bid for a blood colt if he is taken to a fair. On the other hand, so many heavy horses have been bought by the War Office for gunners and heavy draft purposes that there is a great shortage, and farmers are using two and three-year-olds of a heavy type for their ploughing. The demand for these is greater than the supply, and two-year-old and three-year-old hairy-legged horses are making more than ever the highest class blood colts will. The consequence is that farmers are deciding to put their mares to cart horses instead of to thoroughbreds. Last year, owners of cart stallions agreed that they had never had such a good season, while the reverse was the case with owners of thoroughbred sires, who had but few mares. This season there is an even keener desire apparent to breed cart horses.

J. D. Adkins reports that he has a dozen horses in training at Churchill Downs, all the property of R. J. MacKenzie. The latest additions to his string are eight two-year-olds recently purchased from A. B. Spreckels. They are Amazonian, Tinsel, Conservator, Siguaretta, Farewell, Macmonde, Lady Dunbar and Fairmonde. Adkins says he will put Buckhorn in training again at the close of the present breeding season.

The meeting at Tijuana seems to be doing very well, there being no dearth of horses. Fields are averaging about ten horses and as there are fifteen bookmakers doing business, the horses must have quite a following. Saturday last the $1000 Baron Long handicap was won by the old horse John Graham who staggered home winner by a head, carrying 120 pounds and as good as 25 to 1 against him.

An amendment has been proposed to the rules of the Jockey Club to read as follows: "After May 31, in each year, only one overnight race for a distance of less than a mile for horses three years and upward shall be given on any race day."

John Bullman, old-time jockey, who is riding at Bowie, has a son, Herbert Bullman, who will take up riding under his father's instructions. He is galloping horses now.

From New Zealand comes another official time record. When Goldsize won the South Auckland Cup at the recent South Auckland, R. C. meeting, he was credited with running a mile and a quarter in 2:05, an Australasian record. Private watches made the time 2:06 2-5, and an Auckland writer says this is more likely to be generally accepted. The time taken by the club official must go on the records.—Sydney Referee.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

TROUT SEASON OPENS MONDAY.

The opening of the trout season in California on Monday has stirred up a deal of interest and commotion. The season is coming in this season a month later than in former years and the anglers and rodsters have been impatient to get out to their favorite brook and stream. Sporting goods stores have been doing a land-office business during the past week and the indications are that a record turnout will be in evidence on Monday and the following Saturday and Sunday.

Licenses have been taken out by the hundreds and all is in readiness for some of the glorious sport. Prospects are for some good catches. Conditions in Coast range streams and lakes are reported as promising, with the exception that the water is low in some of the trout spots. In the mountainous sections good fly-fishing will not likely come in until a month or so later, as the heaviest snow storm in years was had last winter and the rivers and streams willi likely be a bit high. It looks bright for nearby places, however, and the angling fraternity can look forward to some pleasant week-end trips.

The season's opening on May 1st has caused some adverse criticism. Some enthusiasts claim that the bars should be let down on April 1st, as has been the custom. They set forth that they are deprived of angling during the month when the sport is best. The big fish return to the ocean when the water recedes and only the smaller trout are left in the stream, is their argument.

In answer to this, officials say that it is difficult to secure a law that pleases all. Conditions are different in the various districts and what may be good for one body of water is bad for another so that the late opening is better than having one that would open too soon. Furthermore, opponents to the earlier opening charge that the big fish that would be caught would not be in a good condition to eat and that it would provide little sport in catching them as they had just finished spawning. At all events there are two sides to the question and at present it looks like angling is going to be pretty fair anyhow.

The laws governing the limits of catches are fifty fish or ten pounds and one fish, or one fish weighing ten pounds or over. Conditions of streams and lakes and rivers throughout the State are given on another page. The Breeder and Sportsman will make an effort this season to secure from the railroad companies a complete telegraphic report of the condition of fishing along the lines of their routes.

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Trout in Goose Lake.—Lake trout are plentiful in Goose Lake, and the recent lengthening of the closed season will insure an increase in their numbers. The number of these fishes caught the past season was much less than in former years, since fishing for them is mostly over when they are running the streams tributary to the lake and they were practically through running when the season opened. Fishing for them was "too easy" before the season was changed.—Wm. S. Brown in Cal. Fish and Game.

TROUT IN NORTHERN COUNTIES.

Marysville.—Reports from the trout streams of Yuba, Butte, Plumas, Shasta and Tehama counties indicate that fair fishing will greet the anglers who whip the streams in district No. 1 on the opening day, May 1st.

A number of local sportsmen are preparing to open the season on the streams near Smartsville. Others will go to Butte and Plumas counties, where there are several streams famous for their early season fishing.

Big Chico creek, which flows through the center of the city of Chico, always is a favorite resort of the early season anglers.

Battle creek, Shasta county, is another good "early" stream.

Little or no fly fishing will be done successfully. Ground bait will be used by the successful angler. Salmon roe will be the most effective bait in Battle creek and other of the larger streams.

Local experts predict a good trout season. The streams, while still moderately high, are for the most part unusually clear.

SALMON FISHING IN OREGON.

Salmon fishing at Oregon City has come into its own at last. During the past several days hundreds of chinooks have been landed by Portland anglers. The fish are running good, and if the sunny weather continues Sunday will probably be the best day of the season.

Fishing at Shipherd's Springs is reported to be very good. Henry R. Everding and Ed Morris of Portland, landed 78 trout and Dr. F. M. Hurd caught 39. Robert Wetherall has had fine success in trout fishing near the falls. J. H. Erickson caught a 26-pound steelhead.

The upper fork of the Deschutes river is available for trout fishing now. A party of Culver anglers, using worms, landed 31 fine red sides early last week. Crooker River fishing is good.

Spinners are being used in the north fork of the Washougal river with great success. One catch of 59 was reported. The sport is reported to be very good also at Scappose.

FISH AND GAME COMMISSION ISSUES PUBLICATION ON SHAD.

The California Fish and Game Commission has just issued the April number of its publication. It is labeled the shad number and contains a wealth of information of interest to the angler and hunter. Its purpose is the conservation of wild life through education and copies are widely circulated.

The publication contains a number of interesting statistics besides instructive articles by experts. It is set forth that from January 1st to December 31st, 1915, bounties were paid on 162 mountain lions, making a total of 2,423. A total of 306 arrests were made for fish and game violations and the fines imposed amounted to $6,053.50. Seventy-six were apprehended for hunting without a license and fined $1,100, but only four anglers were arrested for not having their licenses. For using illegal nets 42 were arrested and taxed $2,005.

Seizures of fish, game and illegally used fishing apparatus from December 1st 1915, to February 29, 1916, were as follows:

Game—Ducks 385, geese 69, shore birds 12, doves 5, quail 48, quail traps 3, non-game birds 285, tree squirrels and skins 6, cottontail rabbits 17, deer meat, 79 pounds, deer hides, 1.

Fish.—Striped bass 580 pounds, steelhead 923 pounds, salmon 18 pounds, trout 14 pounds, black bass 117 pounds, crabs 805, clams 416, abalones 28, crawfish 106, miscellaneous fish 53 pounds, illegal nets and fishing apparatus 41.

Searches.—Illegal fish and game, 62.

ALL READY IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

Gradually the roads are being whipped into shape for the army of motoring trout-fishers that will begin the big job of getting into the mountains for the opening of the season in Southern California.

The new road leaving Santa Ana Canyon at the upper power house and traversing Monroe Flats, crossing the canyon at the concrete bridge and then going on up over the Clark Mountain switchbacks, is expected to be done by May 15, when two stages a day out of Redlands are contemplated by Max Green.

The road into Big Bear via Cushenberry Canyon is open as far as the China gardens east of Knight's. It is expected that the roads to the camps will be finished by May 1.

It is possible to get up the Santa Ana Canyon to the third powerhouse, but those going to Bear Creek will find plenty of hiking to do before they get that far.

Roads up the coast, Ventura and Santa Barbara way, are much less damaged by the winter rains, which were not so heavy up that way as east of town.

Fred Hartman of Ventura saw thousands of trout over nine inches in length the eleventh of the month while scouting, and predicts the greatest fishing ever. The same is true of the Sespe.

Plans are being made to install either a "fish elevator" or a fish-way of some other equally efficient type in the Gibraltar Dam of the Santa Ynez, so as to assure steelheads passing it another year.

Roads up the Ventura River are in passable shape and those desiring to go up to the side streams will be able to do so, but there will be some very rough going in getting very far back.

Reports from the Fish and Game Commission's field patrol covering the state of the roads and conditions of interest to sportsmen will be issued within the next few days. Two men were arrested late last week by the patrol in Western Santa Barbara county for "soonering" on trout, and paid fines in Lompoc.

Big trout still are plentiful in the Malibu pools, and are lingering in all the streams much later than usual, probably because the field patrolmen have taken full advantage of the deferring of the season, and prevented former interference with the "breeders" under the guise of legitimate angling.

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Anglers to Parade.—The sportsmen of Redlands in Lower California are making arrangements to open the fishing season with the "Anglers' Parade" on the Saturday night before the season opens. All the Izaak Waltons of the city, dressed in the old clothes that they wear on their fishing trips, will be in the parade and the line of march will be through the principal streets of the city.

The parade is held on Saturday night before the opening of the season so that all the anglers will have the next day to get to their favorite haunts to get started at the break of day on May 1. It is expected that over a hundred fishermen will take part in the parade.

The reports from all the streams indicate the best fishing season in years. The streams are well stocked and all conditions are favorable, so the experts say.

DATES FOR FLY-CASTING TOURNEYS.

The San Francisco Fly-Casting Club has announced dates for the season's tournaments. The list includes events at Stow Lake, today and tomorrow, and other regular programs will be staged on May 13 and 27; June 10, July 22, August 19, September 2, 16 and 30, and October 14 and 21. The club has started 1916 auspiciously with a large membership and a big year of sport is anticipated.

The Southern California Rod and Reel Club will promote a tournament on the Eastlake Park on Ma 7.

AT THE GOLDEN GATE DOG SHOW.

The seventh annual Golden Gate dog show now being held at Dreamland Rink closes tonight. Four hundred blue-blooded dogs of every popular breed are on exhibition. The winners of their respective breeds will be taken into the judging ring tonight where Walter H. Reeves will select the best dog of any breed in the show. More than fifty dogs will face the judge for the premier honor. The honors for the best decorated booth will undoubtedly go to the Anoakia kennels of Mrs. Anita M. Baldwin.

The Anoakia kennels, decorated in red and black with electric lighted Maltese crosses hung above the exhibit, with uniformed attendants stationed about the booth, loom out as the paramount attraction. The dogs in the Baldwin booth are Russian wolfhounds, bulldogs and Airedale terriers.

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Mrs. E. F. Brown, of the Browndale kennels, has a fine exhibit of collie dogs on exhibition; among the twelve benched are blue-merle, sable and tri-colors. The booth is decorated in purple and gold. Among the other dogs deserving of mention are: Jack Bradshaw's English bulldog, Country Model; A. J. Molera's Scottish terrier, Butterscotch; J. S. McCormick's Irish terrier, Paddy Whack; Dr. T. Martin Smith's Boston terrier, "Art" Smith, and Mrs. C. Frederick Kohl's pack of Beagle hounds.

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Jack Bradshaw's Sealyham terriers attracted considerable attention at the Golden Gate dog show, being the only representatives of their breed on the Pacific Coast at the present time. The bitch is a litter sister of the winner at the New York show last February.

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Fred B. McCay, of Cathay, Cal., who brought his pack of Beable hounds down to the show, made a creditable showing by winning several blue ribbons.

Mayor Rolph's kennel of cocker spaniels attracted many fanciers of the breed. The pride of the Kennel Mission Chief, was shown in fine form and made the desired impression on the judge to win a ribbon.

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Miss Beatrice Michelena's Russian wolfhound, Nicholas II, made a creditable showing and won a ribbon. Miss Michelena was delighted over Nick's showing and has decided to exhibit him at the Mill Valley show next month.

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Now that the Golden Gate Kennel Club show is over the next show of importance will be the Marin County Kennel Club show to be held May 30th.

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Failsworth White Knight, Mrs. Anita M. Baldwin's crack bulldog, is attracting considerable attention at the dog show.

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Miss C. B. Trask of Los Angeles, who witnessed considerable difficulty early in the week when she tried to rent a room at the Palace Hotel for her pet St. Bernard dog, won a blue ribbon with him at the show.

"Potting" a couple of quail along the roads near Vista, below Oceanside, cost a Los Angeles chauffeur, Percy O'Neill, $25 when the Fish and Game Commission's resident San Diego County field patrol came that way last week on investigation of reports that the breeding birds were being interfered with in just that way through the back country. The defendant was taken to Oceanside and "got his" quickly.

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Monte Rio, Cal., April 17th.

Breeder and Sportsman:—Arrived in town today to find Monte Rio in a great fever of excitement over the catching of an immense sturgeon. This fish is eight feet long and weighs 180 pounds and was caught by hook and line after a three-hour battle in the Russian river at Monte Rio by H. A. Stagg. A number nine line was used, and a sucker used for bait.

Yours truly,

A. VISITOR.

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Mrs. Gus Peret is one of Oregon's best women shots and big game hunters. Accompanied by her husband, Mrs. Peret goes into the Oregon woods with pack and rifle and attributes her splendid health to her outdoor exercise. This fair Oregonian has also an enviable record at the traps.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

Sportsmen's Row

Trout-fishing day is almost here.

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On Monday the bars will be let down.

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Indications are for some banner sport all over the State.

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The trap-shooting ranks will likely lose some of their followers for a few Sundays.

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In the meantime, however, the boys have been keeping busy at the traps.

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Just think! 102 gunners in the Golden Gate merchandise shoot last Sunday.

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H. C. Golcher was over and sighted the blue rocks for the first time in months. His shoulder got pretty sore towards the close of the program. Harry was greeted by many friends.

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The Golden Gate Club, through Secretary Clarence H. Haight, has announced the program for the registered tournament at Alameda on May 20th.

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F. J. Rainey is one of the late recruits to the sport alluring who is showing promise. Sunday was his third time at the traps and he "busted" 41.

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D. D. Jones is showing the boys some class with his 20-gauge. He got 42 out of 60, which is traveling some.

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Tomorrow is an off-day in trap shooting around the bay. Shooters from all over the State are down at Fresno for the registered tourney.

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Gene Forster cut his finger on the trigger of his gun, but for all that made the presentable score of 45 out of 60.

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Billy Price, for a small fellow, can certainly get under a powerful lot of guns on his homeward journey.

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The annual meeting of the Wallace, Idaho, Rod and Gun Club was held last week. One of the club's principal objects is the replenishing of the nearby streams with trout fry and it also takes considerable interest in seeing that the game laws are strictly observed.

Plans were laid for securing a large number of fry and fingerlings from both the state and federal hatcheries during the coming season.

E. R. Denny was re-elected president and C. E. Clarke secretary-treasurer. District vice-presidents also were selected as follows: Walter J. Crim, Wallace; William H. Hoover, Burke; James A. Bean, Mul; Howard R. McBride, Kellogg, and S. S. Bonham, Wardner. The executive committee is composed of Stanley P. Fairweather, Dr. L. J. St. Jean, Franklin Pfirman and Norman Ebbley.

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Occupying a central point in the display in a Santa Ana window is a large swordfish, weighing 281 pounds, which was caught at Catalina by Chas. G. Twist of Santa Ana, who is a member of the Tuna Club at Catalina. This monster fish was landed after a 32-minute battle, during which it leaped thirty-nine times. It was caught with a 14-ounce rod and a 15-strand line. A large tuna, weighing 150½ pounds, was landed with the same rod by Mr. Twist after a battle of one hour and 50 minutes. A large yellowtail caught by Mr. Twist is also in the exhibit.

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The Pacific Indians will hold their ninth annual pow-wow and conclave at Tacoma, Wash., July 18th to 21st. This event has come to be looked upon by devotees of the traps in the Pacific Northwest as one of the finest and most important tournaments of the year.

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A new trap shooting club has been organized at Patterson, Cal., with a membership of twenty-five. H. L. Heintz is president, F. S. Harrison secretary and W. F. Byre vice-president. Bill Ellis was down and reports that the Patterson guns are going to get things started shortly in the right way.

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Salinas has a merchandise shoot scheduled for today and some shots from around the bay will be attracted there, as Salinas always shows its visitors a good time.

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A movement is on foot in Washington state whereby prison labor may be utilized in a manner by which it will not come into competition with any established industry and, at the same time, work to the advantage of sportsmen.

The idea is to establish a co-operative game farm at Walla Walla. The project would involve only the initial cost of installation, the labor thereafter costing nothing.

Those who are fathering the idea contend that here is a clean, healthful and interesting occupation for the prisoners which in no way will infringe on the rights of others in the way of competition.

Vernon Club.—Shooting neck and neck until the last frame was reached, Mrs. C. E. Groat, the champion woman trapshooter of the southwest, forged ahead of O. Evans in the shoot-off for the George T. Cline medal and broke 24 out of 25 to Evans' 21x25, making it her second consecutive win.

In the contest for the Cline trophy, placed up Sunday by the Vernon Gun Club at distance handicaps over the 50-target route, Mrs. Groat and Evans tied, each breaking 47 out of 50. Mrs. Groat shot from 16 yards and Evans from 18.

The William H. Hoegee handicap competition was also on for the third time Sunday at yardage handicaps. Mrs. Groat was the high gun in this event, breaking 49 birds. This placed her as high amateur for the day with 96 per cent.

The scores for all events follow:

George T. Cline Handicap—

	Hdcp.	Tgts.	Hits
Van Nest	16	50	40
A. W. Bruner	16	50	44
Manderville	17	50	44
Dierdoff	17	50	44
Greenfield	16	50	38
Palmer	16	50	38
C. W. Fisk	16	50	37
Hunt	16	..	..
Ed Hedderly	16	..	..
C. E. Groat	18	50	45
Mrs. Groat	16	50	47
S. A. Bruner	20	50	46
Dr. Packard	20	50	42
Reid	16	50	32
C. P. Smith	16	50	36
B. Palmer	16	50	31
Bill Pugh	18	50	43
Bill Dougherty	17	50	44
O. Evans	18	50	47
B. J. Dougherty	16	50	41
Babcock	16	..	..
Bob Bole	16	50	43
Meek	17	50	46
Brawnor	16	50	44
Dr. Acthon	16	..	..

William H. Hoegee Handicap—

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Van Nest	16	50	43
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Manderville	17	50	44
Dierdoff	17	50	46
Greenfield	16	..	..
Palmer	16	50	37
C. W. Fisk	16	50	41
Hunt	16	..	..
Hedderly	16	..	..
C. E. Groat	18	50	47
Mrs. Groat	16	50	49
S. A. Bruner	20	..	..
Dr. Packard	20	50	48
Reid	16	..	..
C. P. Smith	16	..	..
B. Palmer	16	..	..
William Pugh	18	50	47
Bill Dougherty	17	50	42
O. Evans	18	50	41
B. J. Dougherty	16	..	..
Babcock	16	..	..
Bob Bole	16	50	43
Meek	17	50	43
Brawnor	16	..	..
Dr. Acthon	16	..	..

20-Gauge Competition—Hedderly 22x25, Fisk 21x25, Manderville 19x25, C. E. Groat 20x25.

Open Event at 16 Yards—Van Nest 37x50, A. W. Bruner 41x50, Manderville 36x50, Hunt 36x50, Hedderly 39x50, C. E. Groat 19x25, S. A. Bruner 24x25, Reid 16x25, C. P. Smith 18x25, Bill Dougherty 24x25, Babcock 15x25, Dr. Acthon 13x25.

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Santa Barbara Club.—The Santa Barbara trapshooting club was host Sunday to teams from that county, Ventura and Los Angeles, in opening the new range beyond Goleta. Forty-six shooters contested, Los Angeles sending a team of fifteen, several of whom made high scores. A feature was the shooting by Alfred Hartman of Los Angeles, 14 years of age, who broke 113 pigeons out of a possible 150. All the visitors pronounced the traps and field perfect.

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Santa Rosa Club.—Enthusiasm marked the meeting called for Tuesday night of last week to revive the sport of trap shooting and to resuscitate the Santa Rosa Gun Club. This was successfully done, a good membership is in sight and the first shoot of the season was announced for April 30th.

New members to the number of twenty-five were elected to membership at the meeting, and it is expected that a number of others will come in within the next few days. The second and fourth Sundays of the month have been designated as the days upon which the club will enjoy the shoots.

At the Tuesday night meeting officers were elected as follows: T. Virgil Butts, president; E. W. Beatty, secretary; W. E. Morrow, treasurer; W. E. Saunders, field captain.

Directors—W. H. Nagle, Marvin Robinson and Paul Fehrmann.

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Porterville Club.—The Porterville Gun Club held another enthusiastic shoot on April 16th at its trapshooting grounds west of the town. The results in the 300 bird handicap shoot for the trophy spoon now stands as follows:

Dr. Barber 25x25, Earl Martin 108x125, Dr. E. S. Lawson 108x125, Harry Casad 92x100, Geo. Murphy 110x125, Jas. Rohlick 113x125, Harry Quinn 90x100, Geo. Small 93x100, Richard Hoyt 46x50, I. Jay Boothe 47x50, Guy Knupp 50x50, H. F. Elliott 66x75, Bert Blanchard 70x75, Howard Estes 47x50.

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Spokane Club.—The Spokane Gun Club won the Spokane-Portland interclub championship April 16th when it defeated the Portland shooters in the fifth and deciding match of the telegraphic competition which has been in progress during the past two months, 117 to 113, over the Moran Prairie traps. Before the match the clubs were on an even basis, each having won two.

The day was ideal for the trap game and the large number of shooters who turned out made excellent scores. George K. March finished high with 49 out of 50, getting 25 straight in the telegraphic event. E. J. Chingren, Hugh McElroy, James Schriver and R. A. Mills, the other members of the team, each made 22.

Shooting from the 20-yard mark, March and Chingren tied for high honors in the Everding watch handicap event, each getting 24 out of 25. Each got a coupon for the trophy.

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Green Lake Club.—Thirty-two shooters participated in the regular weekly shoot of the Green Lake Gun Club April 16th, and some very fine scores were hung up during the day.

L. S. Barnes was high man, turning in a perfect score of fifty straight. E. K. Van Vleck was the runner-up with another remarkable score of 49 out of 50. Barnes has shown a consistent improvement in all the shoots this year and promises to give some of the crack shots who will attend the State shoot on May 21st and 22d a great run for the State championship. Several other members of the club have signified their intention of competing in the State shoot.

L. S. Barnes, E. R. Bacon, E. K. Van Vleck, A. Hansen and M. A. Rosenfield all tied with perfect scores of 50. Only two more Sunday remain in which to shoot for the City Hall trophy.

About fifteen members stayed after the program was finished and installed the new trap; the lady members of the club doing their share by furnishing a fine lunch. This fine spirit of co-operation has done more than anything else to make the Green Lake Club one of the best shooting clubs on the Coast.

The scores, at fifty targets:—

L. S. Barnes 50, E. K. Van Vleck 49, I. M. Fisher* 47, C. C. Ward 47, J. W. Geltz 47, W. C. Smith 47, G. A. Conklin 45, A. Hansen 45, E. R. Bacon 43, Geo. Edling 43, H. Junker 41, C. B. Fitzgerald 41, A. Marvin 41, M. A. Rosenfield 40, Dr. King 39, E. M. Hansen 39, W. A. Burrell 39, R. V. Mills 39, D. Pease 38, Dr. Winningham 37, S. Burt 36, C. W. Bandy 35, S. E. Bacon 34, G. D. Horst 33, H. E. Gleason 33, H. Cosgrove 33, Dr. S. W. Giffin 32, M. G. Knight 31, C. C. Giffin 31, L. A. Taylor 31, W. M. Easter 21, Fred McGonagle 20, M. Marvin 19, R. L. Woodman 18, Dr. S. W. Case 17, Dell Ingalls 14, R. Anderson 12.

(*Professional.)

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Seattle Association.—With ideal weather favoring them, the shooters that wended their way out to Harbor Island on April 16th shot until they were tired. John Ruppe offered the high score of the day, smashing 46, with Joe Bacher and Fred Call close on his heels with scores of 45 targets out of the 50 in the regular program.

Many old timers showed up for the first time this season, among whom were: John Considine, this being his first day at the traps in this city for several years; R. H. Miller, of the Mutual Paper Company, who is one of the "daddies" of trapshooting in this city; J. G. Heath, of San Francisco, district manager of one of the large gun and ammunition companies, and H. P. Martine, member of the Alameda, California, Elks' Gun Club.

Two special fifty-target matches were shot off. One, a two-man match between Ralph Kinzer and W. B. Taft, which resulted in Kinzer's winning. The other was a three-cornered match between Joe Bacher, John Ruppe and Fred Landwehr. This match, which was for "blood," resulted in a tie between two of the shooters and will be reshot tomorrow. A great deal of good-natured rivalry exists between several of the shooters and there has been some very interesting matches proposed.

The last man shooting off his last event of the Everding trophy handicap, the gold pin trophy goes to R. S. Searle. This has been a very interesting handicap and was won by Searle, who is a persistent shooter.

The scores, at fifty targets:—

J. Ruppe 46, Joe Bacher 45, Fred Call 45, C. E. McKelvey 44, G. H. Young 44, R. H. Miller 44, Hugh Fleming 43, R. Kinzer 42, Tom Wilkes 42, C. W. Bandy 42, J. H. Hopkins 41, A. J. Gerrard 41, J. G. Heath* 41, G. A. Canuck 39, Frank Landwehr 38, John Considine 38, T. J. Holdridge 38, W. B. Taft 37, R. S. Searle 36, A. W. Mathis 30, W. F. Coleman 28, M. Jahes 26, Dr. Isham 23, A. E. Hall 13.

At one hundred targets—

R. H. Miller 80, Hugh Fleming 88, C. E. McKelvey 87, Tom Wilkes 87, J. G. Heath 86, J. H. Hopkins 83, R. Kinzer 83, W. B. Taft 75, John Considine 71, G. A. Canuck 67, W. F. Coleman 55, Dr. Isham 42, L. Landwehr 83, Joe Bacher 83, John Ruppe 91, T. J. Holdridge 72, F. G. White 73. E. B. Chinn, F. G. White, George Garrison*, A. E. Gibson, E. W. Soergel, D. D. McMaster, H. P. Martine, Ralph Boyker, J. E. Dafter and Dr. Sturgis did not shoot in the regular program.

Bright Prospects for Good Trout Season

SOME COAST STREAMS ARE LOW BUT OTHERS ARE IDEAL for FLY-FISHING

Stream conditions good—the best in years, in fact—is the general report on the eve of the opening of the trout season. From up and down the Coast word is being passed that the streams are excellent for some interesting sport. It is especially promising in nearby streams and creeks and many parties are going to start out on Monday, in spite of the opening falling on a week day.

Railroad companies with offices in San Francisco have received telegraphic reports from their agents and they set forth the different conditions at the points of the lines. They are as follows:—

NORTHWESTERN PACIFIC.

Streams up to Eureka and beyond are exceptionally good this year. The streams are all clear. Dobbins Creek near Fort Seward and Austin Creek and Duncan Mills should be choice spots.

Paper Mill Creek from Lagunitas to Pt. Reyes will be an early stream.

Sonoma Creek near Glen Ellen is a good early stream close by.

WESTERN PACIFIC.

Belden, April 27.—Yellow Creek is clear and trout are taking salmon fly. Chip Creek clear, trout taking salmon fly and Hellgamite. Feather River high, medium clear—taking grasshopper, salmon fly and hellgamite but not spoon. Indications for good season.

Big Bar, April 27—Water high, river and weather conditions are quite favorable.

Keddie, April 27—Fishing season not yet open, streams muddy. Outlook for bait fishing is favorable.

Blairsden, April 26—Fishing in small streams with salmon eggs and bait should be very good when season opens. Feather River is too high on account of melting snow. In about two weeks it should be O.K. Lakes are inaccessible on account of snow.

SANTA FE.

Middle River, near Stockton—Striped bass reported in abundance.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC.

Salmon are running off Monterey.

Water not too high and fishing this year promises to be exceptionally good in the creeks around Dunsmuir and Castle Crag.

Santa Cruz, April 27.—More fish this year in San Lorenzo than in 1915.

F. Spence, president of the California Anglers' Association, declares that fishing conditions are the best he has ever observed. He says, "Conditions are most favorable, as the streams are low and clear. Weather has been warm and it is believed that the trout will readily rise to the fly, even this early in the season.

"A number of the members of the California Anglers' Association are going to fish their favorite stream on the opening day. Greater numbers will follow on Saturday and Sunday."

A. D. Ferguson, field agent of the Fish and Game Commission, dispatched word to J. S. Hunter, assistant executive officer, that the streams around Redding are favorable for fly-fishing.

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Enough rainbow trout eggs to assure operation of the Bear valley hatchery to its capacity without importation of any from Tahoe, at the high cost of last year, have been assured, unless the eggs thus far taken prove subject to the same strange infertility of a part of last year's gathering. The men have tried to make a record by taking all eggs possible, and have proved up exactly what is the capacity of Bear valley for an egg-taking station under the favorable "run" conditions of this year.

HATCHERIES IN FULL OPERATION.

There are approximately 18,000,000 quinnat salmon fry at Sisson hatchery at the present time. The Commission is planning to hold and feed from twelve to fifteen million of these salmon fry at Sisson hatchery and at the proper time distribute them in the Sacramento and Klamath rivers. Approximately 4,000,000 Loch Leven and Eastern brook trout eggs are being hatched out at this hatchery for distribution in the streams of the State during the coming summer. The rainbow trout egg collection stations on the Klamath river have been opened up, and everything is now in readiness for the egg collecting operations. On account of the very severe storms, the water in the Klamath river and tributaries is very high. The streams are flowing bank full and the water is very roily. Under these conditions the spawning fish will not enter the tributary streams where our racks and traps are located. Every effort is being made to collect a large number of rainbow trout eggs this season, and if weather conditions are favorable from now on there is still a chance that a fair take of eggs may be secured. In addition to the spawning stations on the Klamath river, the board is contemplating opening up the egg collecting station at Burney Creek during the coming month.

The steelhead egg collecting stations at Snow Mountain dam, Mendocino county, and Scott Creek, Santa Cruz county, were opened up during January and February. To date about 500,000 steelhead trout eggs have been taken at Snow Mountain and there are 570,000 eggs on hand at the brookdale hatchery from Scott Creek Station.

The Ukiah hatchery was opened up last December and there are 750,000 quinnat salmon fry now ready for distribution. The fry will be distributed in Eel River and tributaries and in Mad River, Humboldt county.

The old Price Creek hatchery, located near Grizzly Bluff, Humboldt county, is being removed to a site on Fort Seward Creek, a tributary of the Eel River, on the line of the Northwestern Pacific railroad. A modern hatchery will be erected on the new site. With the improved water supply system and better transportation facilities, the Commission will be enabled to do far better work in keeping the streams of the northwest coast stocked with fish. Both quinnat salmon and trout will be propagated at the new hatchery. It is expected that the hatchery will be ready for operation by April 15.

About 50,000 Eastern brook trout fry are being held at the Verdi hatchery for distribution in the streams and lakes of the Tahoe region during the coming season. An additional 50,000 fish of the same species are being held at this hatchery for planting in Marlett Lake, to keep up the supply of breeders.

The plans for the large hatchery to be located on Oak Creek in Inyo county were approved by the Board of Fish and Game Commissioners at a meeting held March 10. Work on the structure will be commenced at once. The building will be constructed of granite boulders and when completed will have all the latest and most improved apparatus used in modern fish culture. This fine hatchery, designed for the purpose of supplying the streams of southern California and the district as far north as Fresno, as well as the streams and lakes of Inyo, Mono, and Alpine counties, is the result of the untiring efforts of Commissioner M. J. Connell to establish a hatchery that will supply the wants of the people of the district mentioned above for a quarter of a century. The people of the State of California should be proud of what will be the finest hatchery in the world.

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STRIPED BASS FISHING.

Members of the San Francisco Striped Bass Club continue to enjoy interesting sport in Raccoon Straits and off Angel Island. Good catches have been reported during the past week. Up at San Antonio and Napa, however, the sport has not been so good of late.

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Striped bass fishermen report great sport near Sacramento, for the run of this game fish now is in its height at this point, while the bass are taking bait freely. The best fishing so far reported is to be had between the mouth of the American river and the Western Pacific bridge on the American, and between the mouth of the American and the P. G. and E. power plant on the Sacramento. One fisherman took 18 large bass Wednesday of last week, fishing on the American, using shrimp and clams as bait.

Advices from down river are to the effect that the run of striped bass now has passed Courtland and that the fish all have moved out of Snodgrass slough on up stream.

ANOTHER ELKS SHOOTING CLUB.

The Elks are certainly booming things along in the the trap-shooting game. Another club was organized during the week. The San Rafael boys are going to turn out at the traps and show the Alameda and Oaklanders that they can bust the rocks. Robert Johnson and John Foge are lining up members. The first shoot will be tomorrow. A beautiful grounds has been located on the golf links at Santa Venetia. O. N. Jones, the promising and popular young professional shot, has been assisting the San Rafael club in getting started. The members are mostly new at the trap-shooting game but are enthusiastic.

In the near future a three-cornered trap shoot will be held at Santa Rosa with the Eureka, Santa Rosa and Alameda Elks in competition. When the Oakland and San Rafael boys get a little more settled and in practice a trap shooting league will likely be organized.

CAMPAIGNING AGAINST SPARROWS.

Campaigning against the English sparrow as a public menace, the San Diego city authorities are cooperating with the warning issued to Southern California municipalities by the Fish and Game Commission calling attention to the danger of its increase. Secretary Ernest Schaeffle of the Commission reports that the sparrow, as a bearer of the dread coccidiosis, or "quail disease" of the East, similar to or identical with the "white diarrhoe," that carries off baby chicks, and the "blackhead" of tame turkeys, may become a most serious enemy of our native quail if it extends to the resorts thereof, which is a reason ample to interest all sportsmen in its extermination while possible. Sparrows increase so rapidly that they must be gotten rid of before they get a foothold, if ever.—Los Angeles Tribune.

DEVICE FOR TRAP SCORES.

A device which has been used successfully by the DuPont Trapshooting Club at Wilmington, Del., is known as the "Score Keeper's Combination Desk and Chair" and enables the person scoring a squad of trapshooters to remain comfortably seated while at his work. The desk provides him with a smooth, hard surface on which to place his score sheet.

The lid of this desk may be hinged, thus permitting it to be raised and lowered at will, or it may be made of one solid piece of wood. The advantage of a hinged lid is, however, apparent. The scorer is then provided with a drawer in which he can keep score pads, pencils, shells or other materials which he may have use for during the afternoon. Secretaries, if they so desire, may fit a lock to the lid so that articles can be kept in the desk drawer from one shoot to another without fear of molestation.

If the club is equipped with two or more traps, it is probable that at least one of them is some distance from the club house, and a permanent device like this desk placed behind the trap would be of great convenience to the scorer. His materials are always at hand, and frequent walks to and from the office are eliminated. A large umbrella or some other protection may be easily set up, and the person scoring thus protected from the hot sun or inclement weather. With these conveniences, the scorer is able to give his undivided attention to the squad shooting.

The Combination Desk and Chair is made of yellow pine, and can be constructed by any carpenter or secretary, who possesses a little skill with hammer and saw. The cost of this trapshooting device, including lumber, nails, and labor is approximately $5.00.

Blueprints have been prepared outlining in detail the construction of this desk and chair. Any gun club secretary, or club member may readily secure one of them. Applications for blueprints should be addressed direct to this magazine or to the Trapshooting Division, DuPont Powder Company, Wilmington, Del.

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Pastime Club.—San Diego gunmen will burn incense at the altar of Nimrod May 5th and 6th, which are the dates set by the Pastime Gun Club for its clay-bird carnival next month. Prominent trapmen from coast points will be in attendance and a repetition of last summer's clever gunplay will be seen at Dirtbird Roost, home of Clan Pastime.

The Arizona bunch has promised to come and among them are some hard shooting hombres. Headed by "Beech" Twitchell, the massayampa squad includes Tom Edens, H. P. De Mund, Ray De Mund, Del Morrell, Bill Mullen and a number of new birds from Apacheland.

Several squads are due from Los Angeles and this time they will come. Not to mention any names, Heinie Pfirrmann doubtless will be chosen big chief of the Angel City gang. Of course, the two Bruners, "Big Ed" Mitchell, Comedian George Oliver, Walter Clement and twelve or fifteen others from the northern town will be here.

O. N. Ford of San Jose, who really is a shooting star, announces that he has written in his date book: "May 5 and 6 me and five or six others will trek to San Diego."

With all this array of talent, and many others not mentioned, the poor little baked birds are in for anything but a frolic. The war chest will contain $500 added money and a part of this will be devoted to merchandise prizes.

The menu, as partially decided on, shows that there will be ten events of twenty birds each, $15 added, making $150 for the day, and in addition a merchandise event with $75 worth of prizes. This is the card for each day, although there doubtless will be sessions with twin targets and the joker trap. The complete program will be issued this week.

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Lewiston Club.—At the traps of the Lewiston Gun Club on April 16th 18 shooters practiced. D. S. Wallace is leading in the Everding gold watch trophy event with 69. Hahn and Johnson are tied, with 65. Wallace broke 25 targets straight from the 21-yard line. In the practice shoot Wallace, Johnson, Beckman and Hill all secured 90 per cent from the 16-yard line.

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Skyhomish Club.—The Skyhomish Gun Club of Washington has been organized for several weeks and is holding Sunday shoots that attract many of the "gun bugs" in that locality. J. G. Henry made the start last year and the club is now progressing with all the success of the large gun clubs throughout the State. A rifle club was also recently formed, which is associated with the national club. Scores of the shoot, at 50 targets, are: Himebaugh 44, Williams 41, Fournier 42, McAvoy 31, Kirkland 38, Farr 35, and Henry 38.

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C. E. Leavy, one of Seattle's Boston and Bull Terrier fanciers, who for the past year has been in California, attended the recent Seattle show with his pal, Edgecote Buttons, for exhibition only.

Banner Team Race at San Jose, Cal., On May 14th

MODESTO AND PERHAPS GOLDEN GATE AND FAMILY CLUBS WILL PARTICIPATE

San Jose, Cal.—Breeder and Sportsman: On May 14th the Modesto boys are going to come to San Jose to shoot with our club and practice over the grounds where the State shoot will be held next month. They have challenged our club to a five-man team race for the dinners. We accepted and we hereby challenge the Golden Gate Club and the Family Club to a five-man match on May 14th, the losing team to pay for the dinners for the members of the other teams. We should have a deal of sport and enjoyment out of the team competition. We will shoot 100 targets in the team race.

I am getting the grounds in fine shape for the State shoot. Everything looks as if it will be the biggest tournament ever held on the Pacific Coast. Men are coming from Arizona, Nevada, Utah and Oregon. I have decided to install four Leggett traps. We thought three would be enough but have decided to put in four so that there will be accommodations for all who wish to participate.

A squad from the San Jose Blue Rock Club will be at Fresno on April 29th and 30th. We are going to make a number of visits to California clubs. On May 1st and 2nd we go to Los Angeles for the registered tournament and to San Diego on May 5th and 6th, and we will have two full squads at the Golden Gate registered shoot on May 20th.

Yours respectfully,
O. N .FORD, Secretary,
San Jose Blue Rock Club.

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Golden Gate Club.—Sunday, April 23rd was a glorious day for the trap-shooting enthusiasts about the bay. They swarmed over the Alameda grounds to the number of 102 to participate in the merchandise shoot, and this is a record for an event of that kind. Secretary Clarence A. Haight, manager Pete Ashcroft and their co-workers were kept busy as bees running off the events and they accomplished their tasks without a hitch.

In the competition of 60 targets, Toney Prior of San Francisco and H. Lorenson of Newman turned in high scores of 59 and they had to divide the honors. Frank M. Newbert, N. A. Howard and Barney Worthen were close behind with 58 apiece. Henry Stelling and W. J. Terry did well to get 57. Of the professionals, Charley Knight cracked 57 and led L. Hawxhurst by one target.

There were prizes for every one who participated. They were drawn for by the grab bag system. The high men had first choice but some of those who drew toward the last were rewarded with very suitable and valuable presents. The club donated prizes so that every one would have something to bring home.

As early as nine in the morning the firing started and at 10:30 the competition commenced. It was over early in the afternoon and a luncheon was enjoyed by those present. The scores were:

	20	20	20	Total
Ed Garrett	11	14	15	40
*Al Cook	16	18	18	52
Toney Prior	20	20	19	59
Miss Meyers	18	14	15	17
E. T. Prior	14	15	15	44
L. S. Prior, Jr.	13	10	5	28
H. C. Peet	19	13	17	49
W. Linderman	14	11	14	39
A. J. Lacoste	10	13	12	35
B. F. Smith	14	16	17	47
B. J. Baum	13	18	17	48
L. S. Fuller	8	9	6	23
P. Ashcroft	14	13	14	41
L. H. Legris	13	15	17	45
F. Olson	11	12	8	31
*Stressler	13	3	11	27
F. J. Rainey	13	14	14	41
Edgar Forster	15	18	15	42
L. Legler	17	8	16	41
J. B. Hauser	16	10	16	42
L. Vosburgh	17	17	18	52
T. W. Brown	12	9	16	37
W. Smith	13	13	16	42
J. H. Jones	15	12	14	41
E. Forster	16	14	12	42
L. Dolson	14	9	13	36
A. Anderson	6	9	9	24
L. Steinfeld	13	13	14	40
W. B. Sanborn	16	18	18	52
F. W. Stahl	17	18	20	55
J. Sanguinetti	17	16	18	51
H. Havens	17	15	18	50
D. D. Jones (20-gauge)	13	13	16	42
J. Rossi	11	10	16	37
S. Hauser	15	10	18	43
J. G. Heath	16	17	15	48
A. Wickersham	16	14	17	47
P. R. Skinner	11	12	13	36
J. Nelson	14	11	14	39
A. Stoneberger	14	16	17	47
Dr. Craig	11	11	12	35
J. H. Chambers	4	5	7	16
H. R. Phinney	14	19	19	52
W. H. L. Hynes	11	18	11	40
M. C. Goodman	9	13	18	40
Dr. Topham	14	19	14	47
O. N. Jones	17	17	16	50
P. Swenson	15	15	19	49
A. Korn	10	13	11	34
C. D. Carmen	14	17	15	46
F. M. Newbert	20	19	19	58
C. Westerfeld	15	16	15	46
T. Handman	17	15	16	48
*Charles Knight	18	20	19	57
H. C. Golcher	9	11	6	26
A. H. Beetham	13	14	11	38
George Hein	11	13	14	38
W. H. Price	13	17	15	45
Dr. Eaton	17	14	15	46
Frank Webster	17	11	12	40
*C. A. Haight	19	18	16	53
D. Best	16	14	16	46
J. H. Walker	12	13	12	37
Lew Schroeder	13	10	8	31
T. W. Parsons	14	15	11	40
Col. Dorsey	16	18	14	48
Rr. McGill	18	19	18	55
H. Stelling	19	18	20	57
Geo. Thomas	16	15	19	50
R. T. Boyd	13	15	16	44
Van Lyckler	13	16	18	47
N. Williams	12	15	15	42
Al Durney	15	13	15	43
J. Thomkinson	10	9	11	30
Ted Riley	18	17	18	53
W. E. Cooley	17	19	18	54
F. D. Putzer	17	18	14	49
J. S. Gaylord (20-gauge)	6	10	9	25
R. W. Ballard	15	12	10	37
O. O. Orr	19	18	17	54
Stamper	19	17	18	54
A. Gearhart	15	11	14	40
J. A. Addleman	15	17	17	49
*Larry Middleton	12	11	14	37
F. Burnham	18	18	16	52
N. A. Howard	20	19	19	58
*Fred Willet	19	18	17	54
A. W. Hansen	15	17	18	50
*L. Hawxhurst	20	19	17	56
W. Worthen	20	18	20	58
H. Lorenson	20	20	19	59
H. D. Swales	19	17	19	55
*Dick Reed	16	19	20	55
W. J. Terry	19	19	19	57
E. B. Thorning	15	16	18	49
C. A. Merrill	16	13	17	49
E. H. Ward	11	6	6	23
Mrs. Haughawaut	15	12	13	40
Eugene Forster	15	15	15	45
J. H. Millet	13	12	14	39
G. P. Hayden	17	8	16	41
G. P. Rudolph	15	15	13	43

*Professionals.

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Pastime Club.—Capitan Jack Merrill was a real sensation at the complimentary trap matinee given for Messrs. Applegate, Morse and Beckwith on April 21st. He started in with an unfinished run of 37 and in cool, easy fashion finished his century string without a miss, 137 straight.

The visitors were away off, failing to deliver what was expected. Archie Julian blew up during his third string of 20, dropping four in a row, but at that he smashed 94. Quartermaster Williams of the cruiser San Diego had 95.

It is planned to take a 10-man team to Los Angeles to compete in the tournament there May 1 and 2.

The scores, fifty targets:—

Merrill 100, Barber 94, C. Julian 93, H. Justin 88, Burns 89, Williams 95, A. Julian 94, Dunn 88, Clements 90, Johnson 56, Andrews 55, Applegate 65, Morse 64, Beckwith 63.

COMING REGISTERED TOURNAMENTS.

California.

Fresno, April 29—Fresno Blue Rock Club, C. B. Jackson, Secretary.

Los Angeles, May 1, 2—Los Angeles Club, Fred H. Teeple, Secretary.

Los Angeles, May 8, 9.—Vernon Gun Club, William Pugh, Manager.

Alameda, May 20—Golden Gate Club, Clarence A. Haight, Secretary.

San Jose, May 28, 29, 30—California-Nevada Association Tournament, San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

Eureka, July 4—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President.

Oregon.

Portland, June 5, 6, 7—Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, Frank Templeton, Secretary.

Portland, Sept. 12, 13, 14—Pacific Coast Handicap.

Washington.

Spokane, May 8, 9 and 10—Spokane Gun Club.

Chehalis, May 30—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, Gus T. Thacker, President.

Seattle, July 4—"Old Policy," Green Lake Gun Club, W. C. Smith, Secretary

Tacoma, July 18, 19, 20, 21—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary.

Salt Lake Club.—The eighteen shooters who attended on April 16th at the Salt Lake Gun Club were treated to one of the best races of the season, when Edmunds, Bray, Reilley, Bain and Bishop tied in the cup shoot.

In the shoot-off Bain and Reilley were eliminated, leaving the other three men again tied.

In this shoot Reilley, who made fifty straight breaks without handicap, dropped only one bird, making a record for the day of 74 out of 75 birds.

As he was shooting from scratch, however, the handicap was hard to overcome.

In the second shoot-off Edmunds dropped out, leaving Bray and Bishop tied. Before this tie could be decided it was necessary for the boys to shoot fifty birds. Bishop won with a score of 43 to 44. Bishop is the first man to secure his name on the cup for a second time this season. The scores were—

Shooter.	Bke.	Hdcp.	Ttl.
Reilley	50	..	50
Gardner	45	..	45
Bain	45	5	50
Moffatt	45	2	47
Bray	45	5	50
Bishop	44	6	50
Mitchell	42	5	47
Irvine	41	..	41
Klein	39	2	41
Edmunds	39	11	50
Cowan, A. W.	38	8	46
Heagren	37	5	42
Fisher	37	7	44
Johnson	29	..	29
Engels	26	2	28
Morgan*	49	..	49
Hood*	48	..	48
Anderson*	45	..	45

*Professional.

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Tacoma Club.—The Tacoma Gun Club held its regular shoot at Manitou on April 16th. A. Riehl won the Mellinger gold medal; J. A. Dague won the Majestic cafe trophy after a shoot-off with A. Riehl; Griffin, A. Riehl and Young all tied for high average on the Everding diamond pin. Young won the White Flyer fob; J. Cooper and Dague tied for high average on the Hercules Powder Co. trophy. A. Riehl won the J. A. Dague challenge cup. The following scores were made out of 50 birds for the Mellinger gold medal:—

Shooter.	Bke.	Hdcp.	Ttl.
Frank Riehl	48	0	84
Turnbull	40	9	49
A. Riehl	48	1	49
Bales	41	7	48
Dague	39	8	47
Griffin	41	5	46
J. Cooper	42	4	46
Holmes	35	10	45
Baker	38	7	45
Young	40	4	44

The following scores were made out of 100 birds for the Majestic cafe trophy:—

Shooter.	Bke.	Hdcp.	Ttl.
F. Riehl (pro.)	96	0	96
A. Riehl	94	1	95
Dague	82	13	95
Bales	80	14	94
Young	86	7	93
J. Cooper	78	13	91
Baker	76	14	90
Griffin	78	8	86

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Los Angeles Club.—Thirty-three shooters took part in the competition at the Los Angeles Gun Club grounds on Sunday. A. Rossbach was the winner of the diamond stick pin, offered each Sunday in Event No. 2, with a score of 48x50. A number of woman shooters competed. The scores:

Shooter.	Event 1.	Event 2.
A. Rossbach	48	45
O. H. West	35	..
C. B. Meyers	33	32
O. D. Ashton	19	43
E. C. Crossman	44	44
F. Free	32	42
F. H. Teeple	41	..
N. C. Vories	45	43
C. H. Betz	47	45
P. O. Long	44	45
E. E. Eckdale	42	..
A. L. Rowe	..	44
H. A. Sullivan	..	46
Mrs. Crossman	41	36
J. W. Reger	..	46
J. W. Meek	..	44
J. Mandeville	..	46
O. Evans	47	..

Practice Shooting—A. Rossbach 24x25, C. B. Myers 60x100, E. Crossman 89x100, F. Free 20x25, *C. Vories 16x25, Mrs. Crossman 60x75, C. M. Wood 179x200, *Ed Hedderly 81x100, F. H. Nichols 88x100, H. E. Sargent 89x100, S. B. Friend 58x75, *C. W. Fish 46x75, P. G. Adams 46x50, C. E. Groat 45x50, E. G. Kinner 44x50, M. D. Towne 38x50, Miss A. Wheeler 35x50, F. R. Strong 35x50, R. L. Corbaler 24x50, Mrs. Groat 23x25, Mrs. L. Puller 12x25, H. A. Sullivan 23x25, C. B. Myers 18x25.

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A gun club has been organized with a membership of 25 at Potlatch, Idaho. The officers are P. M. Lachmund, president; M. L. Seymour, vice-president, and W. L. Maxwell, seeretary and treasurer.

A site has been selected for trap-shooting and matches with nearby towns are being planned.

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Names.	No. Cert.	No. Shares	Amount
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Louis Girardin	121	100	5.00
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Nominators have the right of entering two horses in one ownership in any race by the payment of two per cent. additional, but only one of the two horses so entered to be started in the race, and the starter is to be named by 5 o'clock p. m. the day before the race is to take place.

Entrance fee five per cent. to start, three per cent. due at time entries close, two per cent. additional if not declared out on or before July 1, 1916. Declarations must be paid in full at time of declaring out. Usual five per cent. additional from winners in all races except Futurity Stakes.

Horses are to be named and eligible when entries close to the classes in which they are entered.

The Association reserves the right to declare two starters a walkover. When only two start they may contest for the entrance money paid in, divided 66 2-3 per cent. to the first and 33 1-3 per cent. to the second horse. A horse distancing the field shall be entitled to first and fourth money only and in no other case will a horse be entitled to more than one money.

The Association reserves the right to change the hour and day of any race, except when it becomes necessary to antedate a race, in which instance the nominators will receive three days' notice by mail to address of entry.

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Entries not declared out by 5 o'clock p. m. the day preceding the race shall be required to start and declarations must be in writing and made at the office of the Secretary at the track.

Racing colors must be named by 5 o'clock p. m. the day preceding the race, and must be worn upon the track, in all races. Colors will be registered in the order in which they are received, and when not named or when said colors conflict, drivers will be required to wear colors designated by the Association.

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Under the By-Laws of this Association, none but horses belonging to members of the Association are allowed to start in the regular races at its meetings. Membership fee $25, which includes annual dues for the first year and entitles members to all privileges. Those who are not members of the Association should send membership fee at the time of making entries.

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$150.00 to horse standing highest in Summary.

ENTRANCE AND PAYMENTS—$2.00 to nominate mare on May 15, 1916, when name, color, description of mare and stallion bred to must be given; $3.00 July 1, 1916; $5.00 December 1, 1916; $5.00 on yearlings April 1, 1917; $10.00 on two-year-olds April 1, 1918; $10.00 on three-year-olds April 1, 1919.

STARTING PAYMENTS—$25.00 to start in pacing division; $55.00 to start in trotting division. All starting payments to be made ten days before the first day of the State Fair at which the race is to take place.

NOMINATORS must designate when making payments to start whether the horse is a Trotter or Pacer.

CONDITIONS

The race in each division will be for three heats; if no horse wins two of the three heats a fourth heat must be raced by the heat winners to decide the winner of the race; all other horses to go to the barn.

Trotting division heat purses $500.00. Total purse $1,800.00.

Pacing division heat purses $350.00. Total purse $1,200.00.

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If a mare proves barren or slips or has a dead foal or twins, or if either the mare or the foal dies before December 1, 1916, her Nominator may sell or transfer his nomination or substitute another mare or foal, regardless of ownership; but there will be no return of a payment nor will any entry be liable for more than the amount paid in or contracted for. In entries, the name, color and pedigree of mare must be given; also the name of the horse to which she was bred in 1915.

Entries must be accompanied by the entrance fee. Nominators are liable for amounts paid in only. Failure to make any payment forfeits all previous payments. This Association is liable for $3,000.00, the amount of the guarantee only.

Hobbles will be barred in trotting and pacing divisions.

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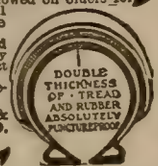
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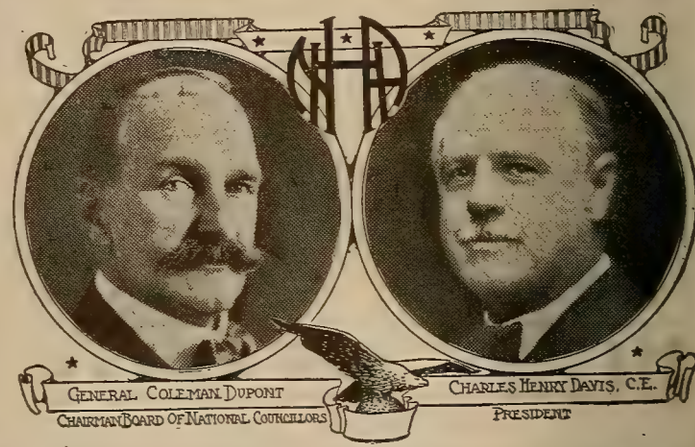
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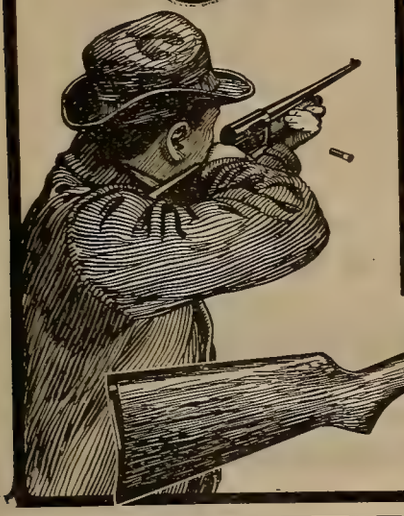
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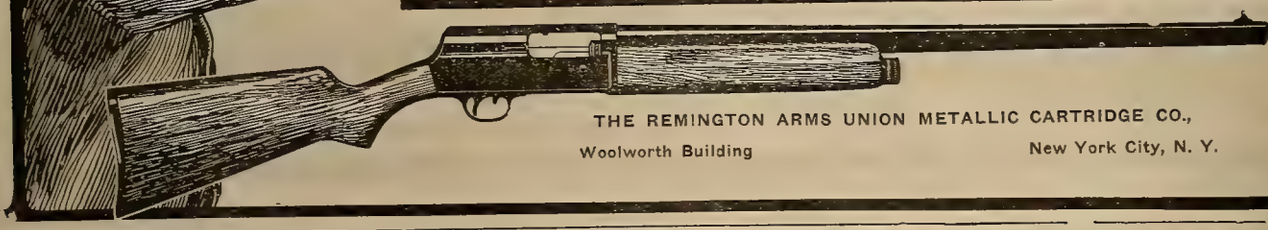
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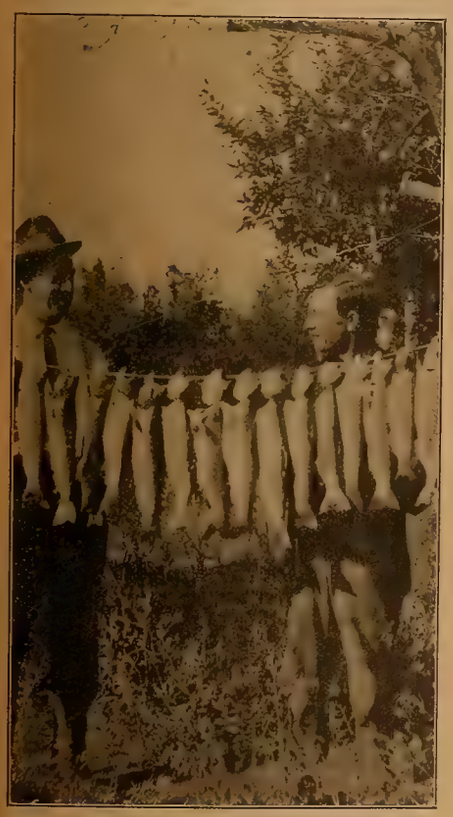
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The Registered Horse Breeders' Association of which Mr. Ed R. Smith is secretary has concluded to abandon its idea of placing an initiatory measure before the voters of California at the November election, as will be seen from a letter from Mr. Smith which appears in another column. We think the association is wise in this action, as should such a measure be voted on and defeated this year it would doubtless be very many years before any relief whatever could be obtained from the drastic law against betting which is now on the statutes. It will be very difficult to draft a law which will permit wagering on races and other events that will not be taken advantage of by the professional gamblers and others who wish to conduct race meetings solely for their individual profit. An effort is now being made to have the California legislature next winter pass a law similar to the Kentucky law, and if it can be so safeguarded as to prevent meetings of more than 30 days per year in any one section of the State it will have the hearty support of horsemen generally. If however a provision permitting 30 days in each county should result in tracks in San Francisco, San Mateo, Marin, Contra Costa, and Alameda being granted a month each, it would be very difficult to prevent five or six months of continuous running racing around the San Francisco bay, which would doubtless lead to all the evils which the old order of things brought about and which led to the total prohibition of all wagering on races within this State. The breeding of thoroughbreds and trotting horses in California was fostered and brought to its highest development under the plan in which a circuit of race meetings was provided by a circuit of fairs and meetings of not over two weeks' duration that were held summer and fall in San Francisco by the Pacific Coast Blood Horse and Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders' Associations. Racing under the same conditions and which will greatly encourage and promote the breeding of horses is all that is desired by the horse breeders and those who race horses for the sport's sake. It is to be hoped that a bill modeled after the Kentucky law and safeguarded as suggested will be passed by the next legislature and be approved by the Governor of the State.

A dispatch from New York gives the welcome news that differences among the three organizations in control of harness horse breeding and racing, which have occupied the attention of the eastern and middle west turf press for the past month, have been virtually settled. The arrangement calls for the united publication, distribution and sale of the Year Book. It was agreed that the National and American Associations will entrust the duty of amending rules to a joint committee to consist of six members. It is to be hoped the statements in the dispatch are true, as nothing but evil to the trotting horse breeding and racing industry could result from the bickerings and accusations that were being made by those who had or imagined they had grievances. It is well to remember that charges founded on suspicion are usually hard to prove and that the continual airing of fancied wrongs before the public instead of settling them in private has wrecked many meritorious organizations as well as families. There is seldom an instance in any organization where a presentation of facts regarding an alleged evil will not result in a remedy that will be complete, but there are hundreds of cases where associations have been wrecked solely on suspicions that had no foundation in truth, but were fully believed by those uttering them. Jurors are instructed by the courts to weigh the actual evidence before rendering a verdict and it would be well if all expressed opinions were withheld until they were established by actual facts.

The "continuous stake," which was first evolved by Mr. Harry Devereux of Cleveland, is being tried by the Grand Circuit associations this year and is getting a good entry list so far. The provisions of the stake are such that it has opened up a field for horses that have not been the topnotchers in their classes. For the Detroit Blue Ribbon meeting this stake is called the Pontchartrain, its value is $3,000 and it is for 2:15 class trotters that never have beaten 2:14¼ in a heat in a race or against time and never have won $2,000 during all their races. It received 23 entries, one more than the M. and M. That all these stakes shall not go to the same horse throughout the circuit the conditions provide that when a horse has won $7,000 gross he must step aside and let the others fight it out until some other horse reaches that figure. Thus if the horses do not mix it up among themselves the conditions will do as much for them.

Where there is a regular circuit of meetings this plan should work well, but the great need is for some plan of racing that will provide, at any meeting, for the horses that are not fast enough to meet the topnotchers. Selling races for trotters and pacers have been suggested many times but whenever advertised few entries have been received. The race manager who can get up a race whose conditions will be such as to almost guarantee that the race will not be trotted or paced in faster time than the class named will prove himself a friend of the horsemen. If, for instance, a 2:15 class pace could be opened for a small purse, say $400 or $500, with a reasonable certainty that the horse winning would be driven to his best to win his heats right around 2:15, a big list of entries and a big field of starters would be sure to result. It is a knowledge of the fact that a 2:15 class is usually won in from four to ten seconds faster time that keeps the owners of horses with records they cannot lower from racing them except in matinee events where classification is not difficult as all the horses are known to the classification committees. It seems to be impractical to classify horses in purse races, consequently some plan is necessary that will prevent horses being entered in classes that are much slower than their speed. The editor of this journal would like every horseman in California who has given the subject any thought to send in suggestions for conditions that will bring horses of about the same relative speed together. The prevailing conditions provide liberally for the best and fastest horses on every circuit, and if there is any horseman in California who thinks he can make conditions that will bring horses nearer together at the finish, we should like to hear from him.

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The Grand Rapids Sweepstakes for trotting foals of 1915 has been announced by the Furniture City Driving Club with a guaranteed value of $5,000. The money is to be raced for by the two-year-olds in 1917 and closes on June 1st this year with only $1 required for each entry, after which there are four payments increasing from $5 due Jan. 2, 1917, to $50 due July 17, 1917. Thus $1 will carry the entry through to the opening of the year of its two-year-old form. The conditions of the race are novel:

"If final payment is made on twenty or more colts, the field will be divided so as to make three races and each race will be for one-third of the total amount of the purse. If final payment is made on enough colts to make four races with six starters in each then there will be four races, or as many races with not more than seven starters in each as there are colts to make them. The races to consist of two heats only, half of the purse allotted to a division to be raced for in each heat and divided 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. Any starter may be drawn before the second heat, but will retain what money it has already won. No distance flag for the second heat. A heat winner in any division is barred from starting in any other division at the same meeting. No extra charge to money winners."

While the association has put the guarantee value of this stake at $5,000, if more than that sum is paid in it will all go to the stake. The plan provides for at least three races, each purse of which will be worth at least $1,666.66, with an entrance fee of a very little over 5 per cent at the most, and which may be as low as 3 per cent. The idea is to classify the colts according to their speed, and if other associations on the Grand Circuit follow the plan and give sweepstakes for two-year-olds the colts will be classified at each succeeding meeting. The point is to make purses for the 2:25 two-year-old as well as for the 2:10 two-year-old. It deserves a big entry.

INITIATIVE MEASURE ABANDONED.

Breeder and Sportsman—Gentlemen: After much consideration, we have decided not to place our proposed amendment to the California Racing Laws before the people of the state with an initiative measure.

Subsequent to the publication of our letters to you on the subject, and your articles regarding the same, we have been in receipt of a great many communications, some favoring and some opposing our project.

We felt, and still feel, that our scheme of procedure would have been successful, but the majority of those interested in breeding in California seem to disagree with us.

We feel, therefore, that we will be consulting the best interests of everyone interested in the breeding industry of this state if we withdraw our measure for further consideration. We have, therefore, notified the Attorney General and Secretary of State to that effect.

At this time we wish to thank you for your kindness and courtesy in opening up your columns as you did to discussion of the matter, and we wish at the same time, to express our appreciation through your publication to all those who offered their aid both financially and otherwise to us.

We wish also to state that if an act is presented to the Legislature of California in the next session, similar to ours, for adoption, that it will have our hearty support. The fact that some of us may disagree between ourselves as to the correct method of proceeding with a measure of this kind should not in any way be a hindrance to concerted action when one method of procedure is determined upon. Therefore, we think that we, as well as all others interested in breeding in the state of California, should present a united front when the occasion demands it.

Very truly yours,
REGISTERED HORSE BREEDERS' ASS'N,
Per ED. R. SMITH.

SAN FRANCISCO HAY MARKET.

Receipts of hay for the past week have been almost double those of the week previous, dealers in the country doubtless wishing to clean up before the new hay comes in. Considerable alfalfa of the first cutting has reached this market and prices weakened a little, though the continued dry weather will probably prevent any great slump. A considerable proportion of the land planted for grain will be cut for hay if the dry weather continues, which may keep the prices down. Wholesale prices in car load lots are as follows:

Fancy wheat hay, light bales, $17 to $18; No. 1 wheat or wheat and oat $13 to $16.50; No. 2 wheat or wheat and oat $12 to $14.50; choice tame oat $17 to $18; other tame oat $12 to $15; wild oat 12 to $14; alfalfa, first cutting, new $8 to $12; stock hay $6.50 to $8.50; No. 1 barley straw 25c to 40c.

MAY DAY AT SANTA ANA.

A fair crowd witnessed the May Day races at the Santa Ana track. The events were exciting as there were a number of close finishes and the sport was clean and well managed. Results:

Special match race—Zella D. won in straight heats. Buster L. second. Time, 2:20, 2:21.

2:30 Pace—Black Diamond won. Time, 2:34.

2:30 Trot—Sylvia McKinney won. Pelee second. Best time, 2:36.

Orange County Saddle Horses—Lankey, first; Peter Pan, second; Pogy, third.

Half-mile thoroughbred dash—Lankey, first; Dutch, second; Light Comedy, third. Time, :53.

Potato race—Horse owned by John Bergman, first, Ginger, second.

Ted Kline of the Breeders' Journal figures that there is at least $10,000,000 invested in trotting and pacing horses and $40,000,000 invested in tracks, stables and training grounds in the United States. There are 1,000 towns where regular harness meetings are given every year for purses ranging from $200 to $10,000. In 1915 more than ten thousand horses either raced for money or records, and probably five times that number were in training that were not raced. It is a big business when the figures are known.

A FEW NOTES FROM VANCOUVER.

At Minoru track, near Vancouver, E. C. Lewis is training quite a string of trotters and pacers.

The first and most highly regarded is the pacing stallion King Bond 2:10¼, by The Bondsman, first dam Cecilian, second dam by Lord Russell, third dam by Princeps, fourth dam by Hamlet, fifth dam by Bignolia. This is a very handsome and well made stallion with white ankles behind, and is regarded as a fast pacer. He could show three miles in 2:11 or thereabouts on a poor half-mile track last season and is reported to have shown a quarter in 29 seconds on the trot in his three-year-old form. He certainly is a handsome fellow and much is expected of him. His breeding would indicate that considerable can be expected of him.

Walter F. 2:12¼, by Simmons, is the only other record holder in the lot.

The gray gelding called Jimmy Osborne by Jim Kyle, dam a full sister to Annie Gould, that has been a saddle horse and up to a few weeks ago did nothing to show any indication of speed, has, by having 15-oz. put on his front feet and a form of shoeing peculiar to himself, been converted into what looks like a promising pacer.

The two-year-old gray filly by Peter Preston, whose dam has a record of 2:15¼, is a very attractive looking filly that is now getting her preliminary education, as are the two-year-old brown stallion by a son of Sable Wilkes, dam by Rexall, and the bay filly three-year-old by Ed. Fletcher, son of Ed. Custer, dam by Five Points. This is a very handsome filly and a trotter. The three-year-old trotting colt by Quintell 2:12½ out of the record mare already mentioned, stands next to this one and is a well made, attractive colt. A small chestnut horse by King Entertainer 2:10¼, dam Peggy P., is highly regarded. A black roan filly by D. J. McDonald, son of Baronmore, dam by Jim Kyle, and a bay filly by the same sire, dam unknown, complete the string of Mr. Lewis' own horses. He also has the two horses owned by Dixon Bros. formerly mentioned, both of which are showing speed.

The weather has been so backward, however, that little real work has been done.

Mr. Loomis still has five horses. The aged ones are Frank D. Nichol 2:20½, by Cresceus 2:02¼, dam Silpan by Silver Bow, and Prince Malone by Kinney Lou, dam Princess Bessum. The balance consist of a three-year-old trotting stallion by Zobona 2:18, dam Mona, who is particularly good gaited but is so wilful and has so many bad habits to overcome that he will probably make speed slowly; the three-year-old Red Squirrel by Bland S. 2:03½, dam Chipmunk, has grown and is a handsome animal, and the three-year-old bay stallion mentioned recently as belonging to D. K. Campbell, and as to whose breeding I find it difficult to get details. I think he is by Direcho and that his dam was Nealy Stanley by On Stanley. He is a very compact but small colt and up to date has not been given sufficient handling to predict much about his speed qualities.

I am sorry to hear Mr. Neal is leaving you. His virile and pointed style, together with the newsiness of his matter made his contributions very welcome.

Yours truly,

W. C. BROWN.

CALIFORNIA HORSEMEN HAVE THRILLING RIDE.

[From The Siwash Argus, April 24.]

When the east bound train Number 104 on the Union Pacific pulled into Siwash yesterday afternoon two badly scared men dropped off and to the depot reporter of this paper, told a story that had thrills in it—in fact, it sounded like a story for the movies. It seems that these men (they gave their names as Charley DeRyder and Harry Ruthford) were on their way from Pleasanton, Cal., to Indianapolis with a couple of carloads of fair grounds horses. They had bedded the stalls with a lot of straw before leaving and while the train was running at seventy miles an hour, about fifty miles west of Siwash, sparks from the engine set fire to the straw in one end of the car. DeRyder, who is a big husky, stated that he looked for the bell rope but that the motorman was evidently using it for there was none to pull. "And here we were," he said, "in a car filled with smoke and flame—no way to get out unless the train stopped, the engineer trying to hit up seventy-five miles an hour and Siwash, the next stop, fifty miles away. Things looked pretty gloomy. Horses were getting loose, crazed by the smoke, and my partner and I began to think about all the cuss words we had used in our younger days, when a happy thought struck me. How would it do to throw some water on the fire? There was one pail of water and I handed it to Ruthford, who was trying to keep the flames from getting a firm hold on his sweater. Taking the pail of water he threw it onto the flames and luckily for myself, Ruthford, the railroad company, a car full of horses and Frank Kenney, it did the work. But all the water was now gone and we had to go without anything to drink until we got to the pump, here." Quite a crowd gathered around the horse jockeys as they told their blood-curdling tale.

Fifty-nine entries were received by the Monroe, Orange county, New York, association in a purse offered for three-year-old trotters, and fifty-two entries in a purse for two-year-olds.

GETS BIG PRICES FOR GOOD HORSES.

Walter Cox, who hails from New Hampshire and has been one of the leading reinsmen of the Grand Circuit for the last ten years, started racing horses on half-mile tracks, where he won so many races at long odds that he became known as "Long Shot" and the appellation has clung to him ever since.

A clever trainer and a good race driver, Cox also is a good business man. He manages to win a lot of money each season with his big string of horses, but whenever he sees a chance to make a good sale, Cox always casts aside any personal feeling or pride in order that the owner of the horse may make money.

Several times Cox has taken a horse throughout the circuit without getting him out of his class, winning considerable money, and then selling him for a substantial price at the close of the campaign, or before the opening of the next. This was true of the pony pacer George Gano. During the season of 1908 Cox raced Gano, and no matter how fast winners went Gano was second or third. He looked so good for the stakes that he sold him to Tom Murphy for $15,000 and Murphy instead of Cox was the big winner of the pacing events that year.

In 1910 Cox raced Branham Baughman, and while Branham was able to win $7,000 he failed to head a summary. The next year Cox raced him to victories that netted $15,000, the largest amount won by a pacer that season.

After Mabel Trask worked in 2:04 last fall Barton Pardee, who owns the mare, was offered $25,000 for her. Cox pleaded with Mr. Pardee to sell, but the owner said he wanted Mabel to trot for his money. It is believed that Mabel Trask will be one of the contenders in the big events this season and possibly the season's biggest winner; still Cox was willing to forego the chance for glory to make a good sale for the owner.

The tall New England trainer owns the Granite State track at Dover, N. H., which perhaps may become a member of the Grand Circuit some time. Cox trains about sixty horses over this track annually and no doubt some day will be able to sell it for much more than it cost him.

Another example of Cox's preference for sure money rather than any other kind, is shown in the fact that a few years ago he bought some good horses, banded the owners of those equines into a syndicate and agreed to train the stable for $4,000. There was a special arrangement, it is understood, by which Cox was to get $2,000 more, so that he realized $6,000 on those few horses that year.

Margaret Druien proved a good investment for Cox and to Druien, who bred her. Cox won more than $25,000 with Margaret, and then sold her to C. K. G. Billings for $7,500.

Last season Cox had several three-year-olds in his string. He could not race all of them, and when Chauncey M. Sears, Fall River, Mass., offered $5,000 for Mary Putney, Cox advised the owner to take it. Mary developed into the leading futurity candidate of the year, while the colt Cox retained to race got only a fair portion of the money. However, $5,000 was a fair price for Mary at the time she was sold and everyone was satisfied with the deal. This is shown by the fact that Mary Putney is back in Cox's stable this year.

Worthy Prince, the leading stake candidate of the Cox stable last season, won considerable money, but opposed to Peter Scott, Lee Axworthy and other faster trotters he failed to win a heat. He has a good sum of money to his credit now and is eligible to all of the big stakes in which he will be raced this summer. He has a chance of proving one of Cox's more lucrative investments.

Belvasia proved a good investment for Cox and one of his clients. The trotter had won nine races and been undefeated on the eastern half-mile tracks when Cox bought her. She looked so good in the early part of the Grand Circuit campaign the year following that Tom Murphy paid $12,500 for the mare to lessen his competition.

Cox's biggest sale was that of the star trotter Peter Scott. Cox paid $10,000 for Scott, raced him a few times on the Grand Circuit, getting part of the $10,000 M. & M. stake, and then sold him to Tom Murphy for $30,000. The leading driver raced Peter Scott last year in a sensational campaign, winning more than $50,000 with him, but Cox was well satisfied.

The Cox system is to sell whenever you get a good price. Horses may die, may be crippled or may fool the best of judges, is the way the New Hampshire horseman argues.—Guy Rockwell in Cleveland Plaindealer.

It has been stated that the estate of Mr. L. V. Harkness, who died in California last January, has been appraised at over $100,000,000. This fact was indicated when a list of Harkness' stock-holdings was filed in the surrogate's court in New York, on an application to determine whether or not Harkness was a resident of New York at the time of his death, and therefore subject to a tax there on his extensive holdings in Standard Oil and other immense blocks of stocks. His estate claims that he was a resident of Lexington, Kentucky. Although the owner of Walnut Hall Stock Farm was past 75 years old when he died and had been in poor health, he left no will and the bulk of his property will go to his son Harry Harkness, and his daughters, Mrs. Lile H. Edwards of Pittsburg and Mrs. Myrtle Macomber of Paicines Rancho near Hollister, Cal.

TROTTING IN AUSTRALIA.

There are several items that will interest American horsemen in the annual report of President Brennan of the West Australia Trotting Association which appears in the last number of the West Australia Sportsman. Among other things President Brennan states that "the breeding of the trotting horse has been given much attention, and the liberal stakes offered has attracted to this State some of the finest stallions and mares obtainable. To encourage the breeding of the class of horse that will be of the greatest advantage to the country—commercially and otherwise—events have been included in programs which are exclusively for W. A. bred horses. In the near years when dozens of the speedy mares and stallions that now grace our tracks have been relegated to the stud there will come to the forefront that class of horse which we have been looking for, and they will come in large numbers—in such numbers, in fact, that Western Australia will be classed among the leading States in which the most desirable type of horse is produced.

"The resort to night-racing, with its peculiar advantages, has been greatly responsible for the progress that has been made. It has enabled us to give big stakes, and has given the people their sport at a minimum of cost with a maximum of pleasure. To retain it we have had to put up a strenuous fight since the last annual meeting, for an attempt was made to introduce legislation with the object of stemming our progress. By putting up a vigorous campaign and honestly placing the true position before the representatives of the people we were able to win a severe fight and to demonstrate that trotting is deserving of greater consideration at the hands of the people than any other form of horse-racing.

"We have not been unmindful of the necessity for the encouragement of the country clubs. The untoward position which the devastating war in which our Empire is engaged has demanded of our country patrons a neglect of sport for the time being, but clubs in York and Northam have been kept in existence, and the members of those bodies have the assurance that when the time is ripe they will be given the fullest support by the Association. During the year—the period covered by the balance sheet—there have been distributed over £18,000 in stakes. There were meetings on 61 occasions. The number of horses registered in the time was 183, bringing the total number of registered horses on the Association's books up to 669. In donations and profits from race meetings specially held, the sum of £876 was distributed to charities and benefits. The amount invested in the totalisators during the period was £135,000, and in totalisator tax we paid £3,465, while in totalisator license fees we paid £69. The taxes paid on stakes amounted to £294. There are registered with the Association 267 reinsmen and 27 trainers. In regard to the efforts put forward on behalf of charities I may mention that it is the intention of the executive to put forward even greater efforts in this direction during the coming year.

"It is a remarkable fact that, despite the demands that the Empire's great struggle is making upon our people and the resources of the country generally, the patronage given our sport continues to increase. We have done all as an organization to assist in the national movements that have been made both in the contribution of moneys to patriotic funds and in the formation of a rifle club. Added to that, all the employees of the association make weekly contributions towards a special fund for the assistance of maimed returned soldiers. There is always in front of us the question as to whether the continuance of our sport is in any way harmful to the interest of our country's war needs. So far we have not found it so. Should it ever be shown that the conduct of trotting or any other form of sport or amusement is calculated in any way to hamper or weaken enlistment or to prevent men from entering in the country's defense, I feel that I can speak for all members when I say that steps will be immediately taken to place trotting in position secondary to that of the demands of the Empire."

No horse has yet won the Newmarket Handicap and Australian Cup in the same year, says the Australian Sportsman, but Lochiel and Carbine, second and third respectively to Sedition in 1889, were first and second in the Australian Cup that season. Lochiel carried 119 pounds to Carbine's 118 pounds in the last-mentioned race, and beat him three parts of a length. Coil, third to Carlton and Wait-a-Bit in 1897, won the cup the following Tuesday, with Wait-a-Bit in third place; while Lord Ullin's Daughter, second to her stable-companion, Playaway, in the 1905 Newmarket Handicap, pulled off the cup at the same meeting.

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"Sam," a horse of Morgan stock, is still lively and in service at Portland, Maine, at the ripe age of 43 years. He is neither lame, blind nor toothless, but carries as much flesh and moves with as much agility as horses one-half his age.

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Jas. A. Houchin, president of the Missouri Saddle Horse Breeders' Association, will judge the saddle classes at the Oregon State Fair to be held at Salem from Sept. 26th to 29th this year.

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Charles Dean, Jr., of Palatine, Ill., son of the well known trainer Charles Dean, was recently married to Miss Myrtle Bicknaise, of Lake Zurich, Ill.

HOW MR. FORBES BOUGHT PETER THE GREAT.

C. C. Streeter, the one time owner of Peter the Great, told the following story back in 1899, of the sale of the son of Pilot Medium to J. Malcolm Forbes:

"I did not see Peter the Great win the Futurity, as I was doing some railroad work in Ohio, and could not get away. Along the following winter I got a letter from a man named Hall, living near Boston, who asked if the colt was for sale, and if so, what my price was. I answered that before the matter went any further I should like to know whether Mr. Hall was acting as principal, or was a broker, and if the latter was the case, whether he expected me to pay him a commission if the horse was sold. I added that I had no thought of selling, as up to that time nobody had talked serious business, although one man had made an offer at $10,000, which I did not consider. In conclusion, I said that the horse was for sale, but that the price would be a round one.

"In answer to this a letter came from Mr. J. Malcolm Forbes, and I then learned that Mr. Hall was superintendent of the Forbes farm. Mr. Forbes asked a price on the colt, and I replied that I would take $25,000, 10 services to the horse, and I also wanted some sort of an interest in the horse's winnings the following season in the 2:13 class, but just what that part of the proposition was I do not now recall. Mr. Forbes wrote me that he would give $20,000 and 10 services to the horse. This letter was sent to Kalamazoo, and in the meantime I had gone to New York; it did not reach me until some days later than it should, having been forwarded.

"I at once wrote Mr. Forbes that his offer was a generous one, but that I did not want to either accept or reject it just then, but would decide on my return to Michigan if he would keep it open until then. In the meantime Mr. Forbes had evidently become impatient at the delay, of course not knowing why his letter was delayed, and wired me at Kalamazoo that unless his offer was accepted by three o'clock that afternoon, it would be withdrawn. The telegram, like the letter, followed me to New York, and when it came to hand it was long after three o'clock. However, I wired Mr. Forbes, explaining the case, and saying that I was starting for home, and that if he chose to leave the offer open I would decide as soon as I got there.

"Then I left for Kalamazoo, and on reaching there went at once to the barn. The horse was running out in a little yard, and, as the day was cold, there was a good deal of ice on the ground. When I thought how easily that $20,000 colt could slip and hurt himself it gave me a little shock, and I said to Johnston that we would put Peter in the barn and not take him out until we knew whether or no he was sold. Mr. Forbes answered my telegram, saying he would take the horse.

"In my New York letter I had asked him how, in case of a sale, he wanted the horse delivered, also in what manner he desired to pay for him. In a letter that came to Kalamazoo confirming the purchase Mr. Forbes said to ship the horse to Boston and draw on him at sight with bill of lading attached. How was that for businesslike methods? Mr. Forbes added that he expected nothing with the horse but a halter and blanket, but that if anything else was needed I should get them and send the bill to him."

ARABIAN HORSES WITH THE ARMY IN MEXICO.

Among the stories that have come back from our "punitive expedition" into Mexico, is one revealing the fact that some of the officers are riding Arab mounts. Major Tompkins had his Arab mare, Imp. Mahal, badly wounded in the fighting at Parral, and later changed to Kingfisher, a four-year-old by the Arab, Imp. Imamzabad and out of Halcyon, the mare that won the Vermont endurance ride of 154 miles, a few years ago. The part which Major Tompkins has taken in various horse shows in the United States adds interest to the news.

Other Arabs mentioned among officers' mounts are the colt by Imp. Imamzabad ridden by Lieut. Byram of the Tenth Cavalry; Imp. Halim, ridden by Major Harbord of the First Cavalry; Scimeter, ridden by Captain Vidmer of the Eighth Cavalry.

Most of the horses named, as well as others, were presented to the army, or the officers by Col. Borden, a breeder of Arabs at Fall River, Mass. Col. Borden sought a demonstration of the fitness of Arabian horses for army use.

Current prices for draft horses in the Middle West indicate that breeders there expect to reap a harvest in the next few years. A recent public sale at Fremont, Iowa, attracted a crowd of 3,500 horsemen, who paid from $400 to $1,325 for Percheron mares, thirty-eight making an average of $640. All were bought for breeding purposes.

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A party of six residents of Monterey county, comprising Mrs. Elton Hebbron, Misses A. Hawkins, H. Hawkins, Hazel Robinson, Arnia Elmer and Frank Hebbron left Salinas last Saturday morning at 6:30 and rode to the top of Fremont Peak by 11 a. m. They had a most wonderful trip through the green slopes of the Gabilan mountains, getting the trail in the canyon back of the Hartnell adobe on the Bardin ranch. At some places the trail was very narrow and precipitous but they reached the spot where Fremont hoisted the American flag for the first time in California, without accident.

LAST WEEK'S CHICAGO MARKET.

For everything of top grade the demand has been active and not enough of that variety came to hand to satisfy the calls of the buyers. For strong, rugged, deep-flanked chunks for city work, also, the outlet has been wide, while for near-good horses with considerable weight and approximate soundness the buyers have considerable use. It is on the medium grades of the rejects that the stick has been wielded most strenuously, that kind having been hard hit by the buyers.

The difference between the market of this and other years prior to 1912 is that the demand today is radically different, which balls the situation up and places on the market an undue proportion of horses bought for the artillery job, which after rejection are at the mercy of the dealers. Such a proportion of similar horses, weighing mostly less than 1300 lbs., would in any former year have lowered the quotations on that weight materially—probably to their present range. As it is, prices on all but the best specimens in all the market classes have worked back to about the old level.

Chunks weighing from 1300 to 1400 lbs. and of common grade, $165@185; best 1300-lb. weights to $200; medium weight chunks with extra flesh and quality, $190@215; heavy chunks, same class, $200@235. Big horses have sold at a wider range than could be quoted at the time of this writing, some stated to weigh 1600 lbs. having made but $190, others from $195@210, but they were thin and not at all in market shape, though right out of the harness. Horses weighing 1600 lbs. or more, in decent flesh and ready to go to work in the city and look decent while at it have brought from $250@275, heavier and better grades all the way from $285@325, an occasional show specimen still higher. One bunch, all heavy, was put together at an average right at $290, but they were the best of the week. Eastern dealers taking stock to be retailed to farmers have been paying mostly from $75@95 for light grades, and from $100@125 for mediums, very decent selections among the rejects from $130@140 and tops, mostly mares, around $150, but only a few above $125. Farm mares, wanted with weight and quality, had to be selected from the commercial classes and have cost from $175@200, according to the ideas of the buyer. A few with extra weight have cost as high as $240.

ARMY VETERINARY HOSPITALS.

When one considers that in each infantry divsion of 21,000 men there are 6,250 horses, some idea can be reached of the importance of the veterinary and farriery service in modern warfare. A recent statement from Ottawa shows that there are approximately 15,000 horses with the Canadian army corps now in France. The horses of a division are taken care of by 12 veterinary officers and a mobile veterinary section of 27 men. The latter takes care of the horses on the firing line. Slightly wounded or indisposed horses are cared for and returned to duty. If the troops are on the move wounded horses are collected and sent in groups back to the nearest veterinary base hospital. When fit for duty they are classed "remounts" and are reissued by the remount detachment.

One Canadian veterinary field hospital in France is composed of 387 men and six officers. It can handle a hundred wounded animals, and the work done there is wonderful. Horses which in previous wars would have been killed to save them agony are taken in, treated and returned to the firing line. After one engagement 607 cases were received by this field hospital, and only 12 horses died of that large number. The balance were made fit for duty and drafted back to service by the remount detachment.

To do this veterinary Red Cross work is exceedingly dangerous. The veterinary corps must work in the open, often under fire. They are all expert horsemen. Pain maddened horses must be rounded up and attended to. During a battle the corps are hard at work behind the lines treating superficial wounds and despatching serious cases to the field hospital. Any horse that is fit to walk is rushed to the latter, and fresh horses must always be ready in reserve. So thorough was the system of horse reserves at the battle of Ypres that battery and transport animals were steadily reinforced, under heavy shell fire. The Canadian guns were only 300 yards from the enemy, but there was not a wagon or gun lost—largely due to the efficiency of the horse supply.

Fred Merry of this city owned an old family driving horse which had been the faithful servitor of the household for many years. Finally it was concluded not to keep the steed any longer and accordingly it was taken out to an auction sale in the country the other day and sold. The buyer was a man who lived more than twenty miles from Fairmont over the line in Iowa. Two or three days later Mr. Merry went out to the stable in the morning and there was the old horse comfortably munching fodder in the stall. It seems the animal got homesick, broke away from the premises of its new owner and by instinct found its way back home. We imagine it was pretty hard for the Merrys to send the horse back to its new owner after such an exhibition of devotion.—Fairmont (Minn.) Sentinel.

Later Date for New York Horse Show.

There is said to be a strong probability that the National Horse Show of 1916 will be held at a later date than last year or any other year since the first exhibition took place in 1883, says the New York Herald. Nearly always heretofore the dates chosen were early in November, and last year the opening was on the sixth of that month. The Horse Show of 1915 came right in the middle of the autumn hunting season, and the result was a rather light entry list in this division of the big show at Madison Square Garden. Fox hunting and drag hunting have grown from an acorn to an oak in the thirty-three years since the Horse Show was established, and with all conditions favorable the jumping competitions should now attract more horses than any other classes on the week's program. But the men and women who ride to hounds are reluctant to give up their horses and their sport for a week or ten days in the height of the season in order to exhibit at the Garden. Alfred B. Maclay, chairman of the Executive Committee of the National Horse Show Association, and himself a hunting man, foresaw the result of the early dates last year and favored a later show, but the directors wished to avoid a clash with the opening of the Metropolitan opera season and so decided on the week of November 6. This year, if Mr. Maclay has his way, the exhibition may not take place until the end of November, or even the beginning of December, when the opera, election, football and hunting are all ended or on the wane.

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Few Good Riders in the East.

"Seldom," writes a New York turf scribe, "has racing been so seriously handicapped by bad riders as is the case this season, and there does not appear to be much chance for a bettering of conditions. Several of the jockeys who have been riding long enough to know how have gone back until they have no form at all, while a majority of the apprentices that have been shown are not fit to gallop horses, much less ride races.

" The system seems to be all wrong now that all a trainer needs is two endorsers to obtain a license. With so many incompetent trainers it is natural there should be a bad crop of jockeys, and if this end of the sport is going to improve The Jockey Club will have to establish some sort of a civil service examination before issuing licenses to train. A man who is not capable of training a horse cannot be expected to teach a boy how to ride him, and the trainer is the natural instructor of the jockeys."

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A thoroughbred aristocrat, born in the purple, arrived on Wednesday, April 19th, at East View Farm, the property of James Butler, when Climber dropped her first foal, a remarkably strong and well built bay colt by Imported Out of Reach. Climber was one of the star two-year-olds of the James Butler racing stable in 1914, winning five stake races and a total of about $7,000. Her sire is imported Voter, a stake winner of twenty races and $27,435. Her dam is Stepping Stone, now in the stud of W. K. Vanderbilt, sired by Ben Brush, a stake winner at 2, 3 and 4 years of $67,697. Stepping Stone is out of Running Stream (dam of Pebbles, two-year-old winner of $14,550; Ultimus, Runnymede, Cataract, etc.), by Domino, winner of $193,550, the largest money winner in America.

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Fine roads are one of the important features of preparedness. The highway system around Paris is very fine, and it is claimed that the skillful use of these roads enabled the French army to save the city from the advance of the German troops. The commander, General Joffre, commandeered every sort of auto vehicle available, and poured the soldiers and equipment out to strategic points with wonderful facility and without delay.

Two hundred and seventy entries of thoroughbred horses, owned by upward of two score prominent Americans, have been received for the annual Spring two-day race meeting of the United Hunts Racing Association to be held at Belmont Park Terminal on May 13 and 17. This is by a wide margin the largest number of entries ever received for an amateur race meet in this country, and has been rarely exceeded in the history of American thoroughbred racing.

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Blades & Holman, of Holliday, Mo., has recently purchased the saddle gelding Vernon Castle by Rex Chief A., paying $2,000. While this is a large price for a gelding Vernon Castle is said to be a very handsome horse, exquisitely modeled and a horse that it will be hard to beat in any show ring. He will be exhibited at the principal middle west shows this season.

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The stewards of the Jockey Club in England have issued an edict that no jockeys or trainers will be issued a license this year unless they have "presented themselves for attestation," or in other words, enrolled their names with the volunteers who are ready to join the army when called upon.

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Wembly Sensation, a famous hackney stallion owned by Reginald C. Vanderbilt, is dead from an accident at Mr. Vanderbilt's Sandy Point Farm stables. Wembly Sensation was many times a blue ribbon winner and one of the foremost stallions of his breed in America.

Notes and News

All roads lead to Dixon today.

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Some fast half miles will be paced and trotted there.

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The San Francisco matinee season will open at the Park Stadium track Sunday, May 14th.

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Mr. I. L. Borden has a two-year-old by Albaloma at the San Jose track that is showing up mighty well.

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Five early closing $1,000 purses at Ithaca, New York, have received an average of 25 entries each.

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The number of trotters and pacers to take new records during the season of 1915 was 2,080, of which 1,078 were trotters.

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J. Janson Jr. of Pleasanton carries a full line of everything for the harness horse. Horse boots made to order is a specialty and will give satisfaction.

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If Bold Harry Aerolite gets away good on that Dixon half mile he will make the home folks think he has his daddy's speed rigging on.

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Will DeRyder has shipped his horses to San Jose and will train them over that track until ready to ship east.

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The Poughkeepsie grand circuit meeting has received an average of a little over 23 entries for each of its seven early closing events. The 2:00 pace has ten entries.

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Berta Mac 2:08, the McKinney mare that Henry Helman raced and marked, dropped a brown colt by The Harvester 2:01 at Mr. Billings' Curles Neck Farm, April 16th.

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California has produced six trotters to beat 2:05. They are Lou Dillon 1:58½, Sweet Marie 2:02, Sonoma Girl 2:04¼, John A. McKerron 2:04½, Maymack 2:04½ and Azote 2:04¾.

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Secretary Bain did a nervy thing when he offered a purse for the 2:00 pace at Poughkeepsie, but when the stake closed with ten entries it was found he knew what he was about and his nerve was rewarded.

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Bernice R. 2:07¼, the Dexter Prince mare, raced to her record by Keefer & Spencer, and sold by them to Mr. C. K. G. Billings for use as a broodmare, foaled a bay filly by The Harvester 2:01 on the 4th of March.

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The San Jose round-up and celebration to be held during the first four days of July offers $100 for the "wildest, wooliest outlaw" horse that can be found, and when procured an additional prize will be offered to anyone who can ride him.

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Drop David West a line at 1018 Fillmore street, San Francisco, if you want anything for your trotter or pacer. He has a fine line of coolers, also hobbles that won't break. Quality of the best and prices that are right, is his motto.

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It is said that the inspectorate of the imperial royal horse breeding establishment in Vienna, Austria, has announced that fifteen thousand broodmares will be bought in this country just as soon as they can be transported.

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The Napa County Fair will be held Sept. 13-16 under auspices of the Farm Bureau and Livestock Association. Admission will be free. As there is no track, racing will not be provided for, but a good exhibit of horses of all breeds will be staged.

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Geo. Y. Bollinger's pacer by Nearest McKinney out of a daughter of the dam of Vic Schiller 2:11¼, Our Boy 2:12¼, etc., is working very fast at the San Jose track for Jack Villar. He worked in 2:09 last year with a half in 1:02 and his been an eighth in 14 seconds.

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David Shaw, who made a fortune in steel at Pittsburg and took to driving horses for his health, and among whose first trotters was the mare Lillian R. 2:04¼, will have a strong stable out this year. Among them will be the six-year-old stallion Peter Mc 2:03½, son of Peter the Great. Despite the fact that Capt. Shaw is near 80 years of age he drove Peter Mc several great miles last season, establishing records with him to wagon as well as to sulky. At Lexington Mr. Shaw started Peter Mc in an effort to beat the 2:04½ mark of Lillian R.'s and in performing that stunt the young trotter breezed the mile in 2:03½. Peter Mc has been wanted so badly by horse lovers since then that Mr. Shaw has refused one offer of $50,000 and a later one of $60,000 for the handsome speed marvel. Peter Mc is entered in about all of the stakes to which he is eligible on the Grand Circuit and is rated as the class of the entrants.

In the annual parade of the New York Road Drivers' Association held last week nearly two hundred horses were in line, all hitched to appropriate vehicles. The turnout was one of the largest in recent years, as was also the crowd which lined up on the speedway. At the close of the parade a horse show was held at which ribbons were awarded.

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Horsemen will regret to learn of the death of Charles Marley of Woodland, which occurred two weeks ago. Mr. Marley was an enthusiastic though not extensive breeder of horses and an active member of the Woodland Driving Club. He had been in ill health for over a year and spent several weeks last year in a San Francisco hospital.

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The total number of mares that have trotted to records of 2:10 or better is 309, and of these only 11 have produced 2:10 performers, but as a very large number of these mares are young and their life as matrons just beginning, the percentage of 2:10 mares producing 2:10 performers will greatly increase as the years go on.

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Of the eight horses that have paced to records inside the two-minute mark, six are stallions and two geldings. No mare has yet crossed the 2:00 mark. The stallions are Dan Patch 1:55¼, Directum I. 1:56¾, Minor Heir 1:58½, William 1:58½, Audubon Boy 1:59¼ and Star Pointer 1:59¼. The geldings are Frank Bogash Jr. 1:59¾ and Prince Alert 1:59½. The fastest pacing mare is Dariel 2:00¼.

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Still healthy and vigorous at the advanced age of 29 years, McKinney 2:11¼, owned by Empire City Farms, Cuba, New York, has 196 standard performers, 16 trotters with records of 2:10 or better, 61 producing sons and 43 producing daughters. Although all the horses of Empire Farms are to be dispersed by auction Mr. Simpson will keep McKinney in comfort for the rest of the stallion's days.

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A very handsome two-year-old is the one pictured on our title page this week. He is the property of C. J. Berry and is in the W. G. Durfee stables at Los Angeles. Troubadour is his name and like all the get of Durfee's great speed getter Carlokin, looks and acts very much like a race horse. As his dam is My Irene S. by Petigru, he is a full brother to that wonderfully fast mare Esperanza (3) 2:09.

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William 1:58½, the champion race pacer that has been wintered at the Curles Neck, Va., farm of his owner, C. K. G. Billings, is at the Cleveland track to be prepared for his trials against the present best mark by a pacer "in the open," the 1:56¾ of Directum I. Charles Tanner, who fitted and drove the trotter Uhlan to the best record by a horse of that gait, 1:58, will get William ready for his task.

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Gate receipts furnish convincing proof, year after year, that the public finds more pleasure in witnessing harness races on half-mile than on mile tracks. Perhaps it is because the "twice around" gives it more for its money, and then again it may be for the same reason that there is more close companionship and good feeling where horses and people are not spread out over so much territory. At any rate, the half-mile tracks draw the crowds.

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There are at least 75 trainers now at work with trotters and pacers at the different California tracks which they expect to start at the Breeders' Santa Rosa meeting, the State Fair and any other meetings where purses are offered this year. Associations that contemplate giving meetings should announce their programs as early as possible and send them in to the Breeder and Sportsman so that horsemen will be notified.

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Walter Chinn, of Manteca, sends us a snapshot of four mares of McKinney stock hitched to a gang plow which is turning over the soil on his farm and they seem to be doing the work and thriving on it. Mr. Chinn says each member of the team is a good worker and can trot in three minutes or better on the road. We regret the picture is not clear enough for reproduction, as it is good evidence of the utility of the trotting bred horse.

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Before leaving Seattle last week for the Indianapolis sale, that enterprising and always alive horse lover Mr. C. A. Harrison dropped us a line to say that a fair ground and race track is being built at Burlington, Skagit county, Washington, which is a point between Seattle and Vancouver on the Great Northern railroad and a thriving town in a first-class farming district. Bellingham, Wash., is also building a half-mile track for this season's use.

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Harry Doty worked W. Detels' mare Petrina by Nutwood Wilkes a nice mile in 2:16¼ at Pleasanton last week. Four started in the workout, Harry Bell with Grattan Boy, and Doty with Petrina, having the trotting portion of the field, while Al McDonald with his Bondsman colt and Henry Smith with Mr. A. W. Longley's Pedlar Direct, teaming the pacing division of the quartet. The four went away with the agreement to work a mile around 2:15 and they hit the mark closely. Doty says Petrina's mile was in 2:16¼ and there were two in front of him at the finish. Petrina is now eleven years old and looks as if she would do to race, as she has no mark and is sound and all right every way.

Jess Willard, champion pugilist, has purchased the famous stock farm at Dubuque, Iowa, formerly the home of Nutwood. This farm with its magnificent residence and fine stables and over 100 acres of land was formerly one of the show places of that section when trotters were bred there. It was sold to Willard by the Stout Estate for $50,000, about one-fourth the price offered for it some years ago.

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Mr. C. A. Durfee expects to leave for Los Angeles today to look over the horses which his son, W. G., desires him to race in California this year. There are colts entered in the two and three-year-old events of the Pacific Breeders and California State Fair futurities, and one or two aged horses which may be entered at Santa Rosa and elsewhere. C. A. says he will look them all over before he decides to race them, but it is a pretty good bet that he will be seen behind some money winners on the California circuit this year.

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A very encouraging sign is an advertisement which appears in this week's Breeder and Sportsman. A buyer wants to purchase four yearlings. He wants one each sired by Vernon McKinney, Wilbur Lou, or Prince Ansel, and a fourth by some other good stallion. Yearlings entered in futurity stakes preferred. As these yearlings are to be trained and raced, the better bred they are the better it will suit the gentleman who is looking for them. Those having yearlings for sale should make prompt reply to this advertisement.

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A new plan for a claiming race is to be tried at one of the Maryland tracks. The purse is to be $600, of which $100 goes to second horse and $50 to third. All starters in the race, including the winner, may be claimed by the owners of horses running in the race, or their authorized agents, for $700 and the winner's share of the purse. There is no auction as in a selling race, and should an owner claim the winner the horse would change ownership at $1600, while any other horse claimed from the race would be sold at $1150.

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Secretary Paine of the California State Agricultural Society writes the Breeder and Sportsman that the racing program for the 1916 fair will be ready for announcement in this paper next week. It will be a high class one and will provide for all the horses in training on this coast whose owners desire to race them. The purses will be liberal and the classes have been so ordered as to give owners an opportunity to start their horses several times during the eight days on which the fair will be held. Everything points to one of the greatest fairs ever held in California to be given at Sacramento in September.

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The 2:12 class at Goshen should bring together the most sensational field of performers ever seen on a half-mile track in the world, as among those named are such celebrities as Spriggan 2:08¼, winner of the $20,000 2:10 trot at San Francisco last year; Humfast (3) 2:09¾, second to Mary Putney in the Kentucky Futurity last fall and winner of second money; Azora Axworthy 2:15¼, unbeaten in 13 races last season; Ima Jay 2:11¼, winner of 11 straight races, most of them for $1,000 purses last summer, and who worked a mile in 2:04½ on a slow track last fall; Nowaday Girl 2:08¾, Al Mack 2:09¼, Harry J. S. 2:08¼, the little game-cock trotter from Delaware, and thirty-three others of similar distinction.

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In a little town in Western New York, says the Horse World, the wonder of the community was the way in which a brown mare, owned by a local butcher stood up under the work of drawing a meat wagon over a long route of surrounding territory every other day and doing odd jobs about the village on the intervening days. She thrived under work that would kill many horses and seemed never to know what it was to be tired. Her owner bought her with no regard to her breeding, but so many of his friends made inquiries as to her origin that he sought information in that respect and found that she was a registered daughter of McKinney 2:11¼. The same qualities that make for courage, determination and stamina on the turf make this mare noticeable in the humbler, but no less onerous role of butcher's horse.

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Eighteen head of horses from Woodland Hackey Stud were shipped by express to New York on Wednesday of this week where they are to be sold by auction at Durland's famous riding academy. Several prize winners are in the consignment, among them being the mares Delight and Emmaline, which have won many blue ribbons under saddle and in harness, singly and together. There is also a finely matched carriage team which will attract attention. The latest news from the New York market for fancy horses is that good horses for either riding or driving are in demand, while hunters are bringing big figures, an average of $1403 being obtained in a sale of a consignment of these horses recently. The consignment of these horses from Woodland Hackney Stud to the auction block does not mean that Mr. E. J. DePue is closing out his breeding farm, but simply that he has started an annual consignment to the New York market. The mares at the Woodland farm are mostly of Hackney and Trotting blood and on these he is using this year a fine young Kentucky saddle stallion which should produce good results.

Thoroughbred Matters

RACING AND BREEDING IN THE GOLDEN STATE

"Kit" Chinn's Ideas As to How They Can Be Restored and Put on a Right Plane.—Professional Turfmen and Booking Must Go.

[By Ralph H. Tozier.]

Christopher C. Chinn, more than a dozen years ago a prominent Kentucky breeder of race horses, a starter for many seasons on the big tracks of Kentucky, Chicago and St. Louis and farther west, was met on the Oakland boat by the writer last Saturday. He looked not a day older than when he was active on the turf, and still has the same strong liking for the kingly sport that all true Kentuckians have. "Kit" is the eldest son of the famous "Colonel Jack" Chinn, who in the State senate of Kentucky framed the bill for a racing commission and pari-mutuels, which measure saved the day for the breeders. The Chinns of Harrodsburg, breeders of Leonatus, High Private, Ban Fox, Lissak and other celebrities, have been racing men and breeders ever since the Grand Old Commonwealth became a State, and though "Kit" is a long-time resident of Oro Paradiso, and has been paying more attention to wheat-raising as, he says, "for the allies," and to buying and selling city and country property in his San Francisco office, his thoughts go back to racing and race horses very, very often. While retired for fully a dozen years from "the game" in which he was such a prominent and highly-regarded player, no one in California would be better pleased than "Kit" Chinn to see racing and breeding restored to the Golden State than the gentleman from the Bluegrass region. He knew California when she vied with his native State in the production of great race horses, and he has viewed with awe the incineration (through adverse legislation) of racing plants and grand stock farms. Mr. Chinn believes restoration can come, and these are his ideas regarding the way it can be brought about:

"Many things are necessary before racing and breeding can be re-established in California on the right plane. The 'professional turfman' and the bookmaker must go, and racing must become a sport, and not a business. I believe that a Racing Commission of the best men obtainable would be the first step in the right direction. Then auction pools and pari-mutuels must come. They remove the incentive for cheating and thereby give confidence to the minds of the public as to the integrity of the sport. Financial profit to an owner then can only come by winning races. In the bookmaking days the 'laying up in the books' of horses that figured to win by a goodly margin was as common as fleas on the back of a lame dog. Bookmakers would 'split the sheet' (fifty-fifty) almost any time with a dishonest owner and simply filch from the public that supported the sport the money wagered upon the favorite that ought, by every right, to have won. Thus it was that the dishonest bookmaker and owner, or trainer or jockey, brought racing into disrepute. These disgraces would be eliminated at one fell swoop by the auction pools and pari-mutuels system of wagering, and when confidence in the sport came there would be nothing to compare with it in point of popularity.

"In Australia, England, France, Germany, Russia and Austria, where it is under government direction, and everyone knows it is conducted honestly, every man, woman and child in the country, nearly, takes an interest in the 'sport of kings,' as it is rightly called. You seldom hear any cry of fraud in those countries. Why? Because, the stakes and purses are so large and the owners in such affluent circumstances that the element of sport towers far over the monetary part, and instead of hearing that 'Mr. Vanderbilt wagered $10,000 on his horse and lost through a bad ride' you hear people talking about the beauties of the race, the gameness and speed of the different horses, the skill of the riders—unswayed and not blinded by a wager, the winning of which in this part of the world was of paramount importance; the beauties of the race, if noted at all, forgotten in a moment. To be frank, it would be better if those who only went for financial gain could be kept off the race track, but it would take the genius of an Edison to devise a scheme to keep them on the outside of the fence of the race course.

"Speaking of Mr. Vanderbilt—and also of Messrs. Harry Payne Whitney and Herman Duryea—do you know what made them forsake the turf of the United States and go to France and England to race? The newspapers. If one of these gentlemen wagered $500 on one of his own horses the wager was so enormously exaggerated that by the time the last scribe had a fling at the matter they had them betting $50,000 on their flyer. And, if it had been $50,000, what is that sum to one of these gentlemen, whose income is nearly that much per day? The newspapers could do the turf an immense amount of good if they would just leave the betting news (which is really a private matter) out of their columns altogether.

"What the Racing Commission, auction pools and pari-mutuels can do for Kentucky they can do for California. In my old home (I am now almost a Native Son) they have completely hushed the cries of formless racing and raised the stakes and purses more than two-fold. The good they have done the breeder can scarcely be estimated. But for the Racing Commission and pari-mutuels I believe grass would be growing waist high upon the time-honored Lexington and Churchill Downs courses and the breeders and lovers of racing in Kentucky would long since have died from grief.

"I understand Governor Hiram Johnson is a great lover of all sports, racing in particular—and baseball. He doubtless realizes that the adverse legislation enacted has ruined breeders, taken away the joy of race-goers and millions of dollars out of the State.

"The good these anti-betting laws have done is not discernible to one armed with even a Lick telescope. Tell the average human being that he can't do anything, and it only makes the resolution stronger in him that he will. These laws have not stopped betting. People simply bet now on races far away from home that they never have the pleasure of seeing.

"If I had the power I would urge the passage of a law providing for:

"A Racing Commission of three members to have entire charge of the racing, allotment of dates and punishment of all turf offenders in their jurisdiction—the State of California. (In Kentucky ex-United States Senator Camden, a big breeder, has been the chairman of the Racing Commission since its formation, and just resigned on account of ill health.)

"Five per cent. of the gate receipts of each racing association to go to the State, out of which the salaries of the Racing Commission are to be paid, the surplus to be divided between State Fair, State Farm at Davis, and improvement of State highways.

"Racing limited to 30 days per year in any county.

"No person to be allowed to purchase stock in more than one race course in the State.

"No person ever having any connection with the promotion of prize fighting or wrestling or having any interest in a book on a race track to be allowed to purchase any stock in a race course, or have any say in the management of one.

"Speculation on the chances of horses in a race in the State to be through the medium of pari-mutuels and auction pools only.

"No information as to entries in races, riders, in races, horses withdrawn (scratched), mutuel prices or probable prices, to be allowed to any man or company or sent out by telegraph or telephone to anyone upon pain of the sender being incarcerated in jail. (This would eradicate the pool-room evil and make people go to the race course if they cared anything for racing.)

"Following out the above plans," said Mr. Chinn, "we would soon find our turf the most popular of all institutions, with a different class of men conducting the meetings and owning horses, the breeding of great racers would be resumed in California, wealthy men would become patrons of the sport and many breed the horses that carried their own colors, the cry of unfairness and fraud would never be heard, the State would reap some solid financial benefit from the racing, and the professional horse-owner and money-hunter would give way to the real sportsman in for the honor of winning and not for the dollars that could be piled up. The pool-room would be an unpleasant memory, the habitues would come to their senses and seek honorable fields of endeavor, Governor Johnson would be blessed by all true lovers of honest sport, and California would soon resume her place at the head of the racing procession."

An Incident of Tia Juana.

Parachute!

A little, fretting pony that pawed and pawed and pawned until a thick coating of perspiration oozed out of his silken hide; a little woman that moved about nervously, patting its neck with her gloved hands; a hundred throats that became hoarse as that same little pony flew to victory in that fifth race. Such is the prologue of a story which, if fictionized, would read like a fairy tale.

Parachute, a three-year-old chestnut, son of Aeronaut out of Brilliancy, made history at Tia Juana yesterday when he defeated a cracking field of sprinters. He was despised at one time during the betting at 100 to 1. Some one knew of Parachute. Some one was told by that little woman with the white gloves, Mrs. M. E. Munson. And there was a rush. From 100 to 1 he was played and played and when they were away at the post, 25 to 1 was the best quotation obtainable.

There may have been other 100 to 1 shots win on the great American turf. But never, no never, was there ever such a pathetic scene as when that little pony came home. The frail woman with the white gloves cried. She cried through mere joy.

"Really, I didn't have a dollar in the world on my little pony. It is too sweet, too sweet," she cried.

Isn't it a tragedy that she didn't bet? But there was a reason. These persons of the turf feel the ups and downs of this world probably more than any other class.

Parachute ran a remarkable race. He was away slowly. Master Mason, that promising apprentice, did not become flurried, but instead he settled down to ride the race of a master and slowly he brought the little pony down to win going away.—Leon Wing in San Diego Union.

The new mile track at Atlanta, Ga., where the Grand Circuit meeting will be held this fall, is built around a beautiful lake.

Meddler Dies in France.

Meddler, Clarence H. Mackay's great stallion and sire of many famous racers, died Friday, April 21st, at the Haras de Fresnay stud in Normandy, France. The cause of his unexpected end is not known, and the news came as a surprise, for though in his twenty-fourth year the son of St. Gatien was considered hale and hearty.

Meddler long ranked with the leading sires of the United States, England and on the Continent, and in 1904 and 1906 he topped the list of winning stallions in this country. In 1904 his get accounted for $220,000, while in 1906 he took the lead, when his progeny earned $151,243. From 1897 to 1914 inclusive the get of Meddler have won $932,561 in this country, and their European winnings would bring this sum to a total of about $1,200,000.

The best known of Meddler's get who raced in this country were Mediant, Colonial Girl, Tanya, Go Between, Brookdale Nymph, Tangle, Detective, Goldsmith, Bedouin, Ironsides, Perverse, Hylas and Armenia. In England he sent to the races such sterling performers as Bobin II., Miss Malaprop, Spiked, Sassenach and Troubled Waters.

Meddler made his first bow to lovers of the thoroughbred in this country in 1893, when he was purchased from the G. Abingdon Baird estate in England by W. H. Forbes of Boston for $72,500 and brought to the United States. Then in his three-year-old form he was sent to the Neponset Stud near Boston, but had little chance to prove his worth.

After the death of his owner Meddler was again thrown on the market, and this time he was offered at auction in New York. Sidney Paget, acting for the late William C. Whitney, bought in the son of St. Gatien for $49,000. Mated with the best of the Whitney mares, Meddler soon proved his worth, but when that sportsman died the stallion was homeless for the third time. He passed under the hammer again, and this time was sold to Mattie Corbett for $51,000.

The investment proved a most fortunate one for Corbett, as he shortly afterward sold the stallion to Clarence Mackay for a sum said to have been $70,000.. Meddler made his second trip across the Atlantic and was placed at the head of the Haras de Fresnay stud. There he continued to show the worth that had placed him in the front rank of American sires and his progeny quickly made a great name for him in England and on the Continent.

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Thoroughbreds in Hawaii.

The Hawaii Polo and Racing Association will give a meeting at Kapialani Park, near Honolu, June 10th and 12th.

Judging from the number of horses in training for the coming races some fine sport should be witnessed.

Welcome Boy, Tom Hollinger's pacer, is in training at his owner's place at Kapiolani Park, in charge of Jack Gibson. Harvester, the well-known runner, is also working at the park.

Down the line at the Oahu Railroad's ranch at Kawailoa, the following runners are in training: Umpqua, Oneonta, Lizzie Moore and several two and three-year-olds from the Honouliuli ranch.

Walter F. Dillingham is "prepping" a two-year-old filly by Umpqua—Yellow Girl, a mare that was brought to these islands by John O'Rouke.

Lincoln Achieu has in training a Hawaiian-bred runner out of a thoroughbred mare that he owns and which has run on the local tracks.

On the Parker ranch at Waimea six promising youngsters are reported to be in training, while on Maui, Louis von Tempsky is getting his good colt Wallaby in shape for the coming meeting.

The Valley Isle will be well represented next June, for beside Wallaby, there is said to be quite a lengthy string of runners in steady work at Spreckels' Park, and which will be entered in the Baldwin interests.

The Baldwin string includes: Senator B., Francis B., Copra, Advance Guard II and some two-year-olds.

On the Parker ranch a colt by St. Avon—Springban is reported to be showing considerable promise.—Hawaiian Gazette.

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Young Widener Buys Erdenheim Farm.

News of the purchase of the famous old Erdenheim Farm by George D. Widener, Jr., of Philadelphia, is another and one of the most important turf happenings of the year. It was at Erdenheim that Iroquois, the first American horse to win the English Derby, saw the light of day and it was the birthplace of many another thoroughbred that has played a most important part in turf history. Mr. Widener became the possessor of Erdenheim last Tuesday, and it is the first important step in a plan to breed thoroughbred horses on a large scale.

Andrew Jackson Joyner has been engaged for a long term to train the Widener horses and his success on both side of the Atlantic makes him a most valuable acquisition. Many important purchases have been made and Mr. Widener has bought carefully, with breeding as the ultimate purpose to which his horses will be put.

Other purchaser have been made purely for breeding and no expense has been spared to obtain the very best blood lines available. Under such a policy Erdenheim is destined to come back to much of its old fame, and its return to the thoroughbred industry will work an incalculable benefit to the breeding interests of the country.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

MONSTER SEA LION ON RED ROCK.

The largest sea lion ever found on this coast was washed up on Red Rock, below San Quentin, last week and found by Max Schafer.

The fishermen notified Mr. Schafer that the animal was on the rock and he immediately proceeded to bring the dead sea lion to his factory. The carcass weighed 1565 pounds.

According to the scientific department of the University of California, the largest sea lion ever found on the coast weighed 1500 pounds.

Mr. Schafer, in discussing the find said: "The lion was the largest ever found on the coast. Old fishermen state that it was one of the family that was in the habit of staying on Seal Rocks at the Cliff House. The head weighed 57 pounds. It was 12 feet long, and the teeth were worn down and very loose. When the head was rolled the teeth would rattle. I extracted a barrel, or 400 pounds of oil from the carcass. In the stomach was 150 pounds of fish bones."

The sea lion destroys more rock cod than any other known fish, and one can imagine the amount of rock cod that 150 pounds of bones represented. It would be better if all the sea lions on the coast were exterminated. It is estimated that a sea lion of the size of this one consumes half a ton of fish in a day.

ROD AND GUN IN NORTHWEST.

In accordance with permission granted by State Game Warden Carl D. Shoemaker of Oregon the Newport Rod and Gun Club spent a day recently on Yaquina Bay shooting shags. These birds are said to annually destroy thousands of fish . Launches from Newport, Toledo and Elk City, with members of the club, patrolled the bay until noon, bagging thirty birds.

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A battery consisting of a 1,000-candle power searchlight has been mounted on the point of the island below the Willamette falls at Oregon City, Ore., and will be used under the direction of Carl D. Shoemaker, game warden, and his deputies in catching would-be violators of the law operating at night. Mr. Shoemaker states that this place has been a favorite one for setting nets at night.

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A rainbow trout weighing seven and one-half pounds and measuring thirty-one inches in length was captured at Lake Tapps a few days ago by James E. Macpherson of Tacoma, Wash. It required fifteen minutes of skillful playing to land the fish.

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A party of anglers from Tacoma, consisting of Allan H. Gilchrist, James Neil, G. Campbell, Arthur Miller and Dr. O. F. Norris, opened the season with a two days' outing at Roy Lake, a private fishing preserve near Roy. Using artificial flies as a lure, they returned with a record catch of trout. The fish ranged from ten to eighteen inches in length. Gilchrist headed the list with forty-one, Campbell and Norris each got forty, Neil thirty-nine and Miller thirty-six, totaling 196 trout.

FEDERAL PROTECTION FOR GAME FISH.

That Federal protection of California's salt water game and food fishes is an absolute necessity was the statement made by Dr. J. Auburn Wiborn, a well-known California sportsman, who has for many years put in the summer months fishing at Catalina.

That this great natural resource, a much more valuable asset to the State than the migratory birds now under Federal protection, will surely follow the path of the wild pigeons and buffalo to total extermination unless accorded national protection, is Dr. Wiborn's prediction.

"The wild pigeons have been wholly exterminated," says Dr. Wiborn. "The buffalo and fur-bearing animals have been slaughtered, and now comes the wanton, reckless interference with the spawning of game and food fishes, while the prices of foodstuffs soar upward."

The finding of two nets set, in open violation of the law at Empire Landing, Catalina, with the waters full of spawn and spawning fish, has provided the wrath of sportsmen and food conservationists.

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New Angling Wrinkle.—Fishermen who whipped the Llagas brought back a story of a new angling wrinkle tried by a couple of distinguished looking gentlemen along that creek. Armed with lighted candles this pair walked up and down at the water's edge during the night for the purpose, they stated, of drawing all of the fish in the creek to the stretch they wished to fish in the morning. Whether the ruse was successful, narrator sayeth not.

Among the successful fishermen who fished on the Llagas were Percy Henderson of San Francisco and Gus Brosius of San Jose, who each basketed a limit.

The genial Daniel J. Flannery was quite unsuccessful. His reward for several hours of hard work was three small fish.

TUNA FISHING OFF GOLDEN GATE.

That the waters off the Golden Gate, Monterey and Santa Cruz offer all the advantages for tuna and other fishing, such as has made the waters around Catalina island in the south world famous, is the assertion of N. B. Schofield, in charge of the department of commercial fisheries for the State Fish and Game Commission. Schofield has just returned from a trip in the south, where he investigated the tuna fishing industry.

"Deep-sea fishermen have demonstrated that we have practically all of the fish that have made the waters around Catalina Island known all over the world to sportsmen," said Schofield. "The leaping tuna ,the white sea bass, the barracuda, rock bass, swordfish and long-finned tuna or albacore cal all be caught in the waters off shore between Monterey and San Francisco. Fishermen have to go ten or fifteen miles off shore here to get some of these fish, but I believe this adds more to the sport, if anything.

"In the south the island offers more or less shelter from the open water. Here one has to be a good boatman. The fishing grounds in the south have been widely exploited and every year they attract sportsmen from as far away as South Africa. Some of the same sort of exploitation would attract many sportsmen to the fishing grounds here."

SAN FRANCISCO YACHT PARTY HUNTS BIG GAME AT HONDURAS.

While hunting last month on the coast of Honduras, Mrs. D. C. Jackling, wife of the millionaire copper king and formerly Miss Virginia Joliffe of this city, shot with her rifle a lizard six feet long. The trophy to her prowess was an Iguana, a denizen of the American tropics.

This was only one of the many interesting adventures that befell Colonel Jackling and his party, who made the cruise of the Pacific coast of all the Americas in his palatial yacht Cyrus.

The first of the party to return and relate the incidents of what is described as a most delightful voyage is Charles N. Black, vice-president and general manager of the United Railroads, who arrived in San Francisco last week, via New York. Black left the yachting party at the Panama canal. The Cyprus continued on her long cruise south to Valparaiso, where Colonel and Mrs. Jackling and their guests were to cross the Andes to Buenos Ayres and thence re-embark for a further cruise to the West Indies.

It cost Jackling $35,000, Guatemala money, to make the trip by special train to Guatemala City. With the prodigality of an American millionaire Colonel Jackling dazzled the natives by engaging a band to play for his guests while en route to the interior.

The Cyprus sailed from Los Angeles March 12th last and made its first stop in Magdalena Bay. Thence it made its way leisurely to Acapulco, where it found the city cut off from communication with the outside world, the Mexican government permitting no private use of the telegraph wires.

In a special car, the party traveled to Salina Cruz. At Acajutla, the port of San Salvador, the people were too busy hauling coffee to spare an engine, so the party had to forego the trip to the capital. Fearing a long quarantine, the yacht did not stop on the coast of Nicaragua.

The sights of San San Jose, Costa Rica, were seen, whence the party made a trop to the monkey-populated island of Coiba. The party was taken in a launch by General Edwards through the Panama canal.

Black, parting from the Jacklings, embarked at Colon on a Fruit-line steamer for Havana, thence went to Key West and by train from there to New York.

Among the guests of the Jacklings were Charles N. Black, Mr. an.d Mrs. Walter Martin, Sherwood Aldrich and Mrs. Aldrich, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Tooker, General Bulkley Wells, Miss Marjorie G. oJsslyn, Judge K. R. Babbitt and Charles Hayden.

Four Anglers Drown.—Four fishermen of a party of nine which went to Little Bear lake in the San Bernardino foothills for the opening of the trout season were drowned on Monday when a power launch overturned. The five survivors swam ashore.

The dead: Dr. C. M. Trumpower, Long Beach, dentist; Ben M. Rapp, Long Beach, insurance agent; Harry Tharp, Los Angeles, chaffeur; Merton Wearne, Los Angeles.

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Indians to Fish.—A decision that gives the Indians of the Yakima nations the right to fish in the Columbia river above The Dalles and that enjoins Seufert Brothers Company from interfering was handed down by the United States District Court at Portland during the week. The suit was brought by the United States Government as guardian of the Yakima confederacy.

The company tried to prevent the Indians from fishing at a point on the river which it claimed it owned, but the Government contended that by the treaty of 1855 its wards had a right to fish at any point. During the hearing two Indians over 100 years old, who were present at the signing of the treaty, appeared as witnesses.

AT THE GOLDEN GATE DOG SHOW.

The Golden Gate Kennel Club dog show that closed last Saturday at Dreamland Rink, was one of the most successful of its kind ever held here. Walter H. Reeves, who came out from Chicago to judge all breeds, proved to be an expert in his line. Reeves handled the job in an admirable fashion and finished up Saturday night without any one disputing his ability. Mrs. Anita M. Baldwin's crack bulldog, Failsworth White Knight, was adjudged the best dog of any breed in the show, defeating many famous champions for the premier honor.

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Among other dogs deserving of mention are: Mrs. Anita M. Baldwin's crack kennel of Airedale terriers; Jack Bradshaw's brace of Sealyham terriers, Bromley Star and Bromley Vixon; Mrs. E. F. Brown's display of collie dogs; Dr. T. Martin Smith's Boston terrier, "Art" Smith; Peter B. Kyne's brace of English bulldogs; C. Fetcheimer's wire-haired fox terrier Mulomah Crosspatch; and Mrs. Norwood B. Smith's exhibit of St. Bernard dogs.

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George Stedman Thomas, of Hamilton, Mass., the only man to ever make a million dollars out of dogs, was one of the many prominent dog fanciers to attend the show.

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Sam Crabtree, of Failsworth, England, who came out to show Failsworth White Knight, Anita M. Baldwin's famous bulldog, has decided to remain in California. It is rumored that he has been engaged by Mrs. Baldwin as kennel manager for her Anoakia kennels.

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Sam Crabtree of England will be the all-rounder at the Mill Valley dog show to be held Decoration Day.

There were a couple of unfortunate disputes during the three days of the show. Jack Bradshaw refused to show his bulldog Country Model because he charged that Sam Crabtree, who was showing Failsworth White Knight, was a friend of Judge Reeves. Leon Roos and the superintendent of the show, O. F. Vedder, became involved in a controversy that may come up before the club.

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The Fortuna Kennels of Los Angeles, Cal., have just received from Mrs. Williams of England a miniature Pomeranian (orange), which they consider the grandest ever imported. In writing of him they say he has a wonderful coat, grand little head with the smallest ears possible. He is just a ball of wool, weighs three pounds and is splendid throughout. His registered name is Flaming Flamboi, and his sire is Ch. Flaming June, a son of Ch. Young Dragon Fly. He was a winner in London shows. Several good females are already booked to him. This three-pound orange and the three-pound black, Aberdare Tiny Blackie, give Fortuna Kennels the smallest brace on the coast, not to mention their lovely chocolate, Lord Collingwood.

New Name For Bass.—A new name has been selected for the Pomoxis Annularis by the State Fish and Game Commission in an effort to make more popular what is said to be one of the best fresh water game and food fishes. The task of choosing a new name was delegated to N. B. Schofield of the commercial fisheries department, and Schofield has selected the name of "sharp-eared bass" as a substitute for Pomoxis Annularis. Deputies of the Commission throughout the State have been informed of the official change in name.

The sharp-eared bass belongs to the sunfish family and was introduced into California waters from the Middle West a few years ago. It has multiplied rapidly. At the same time the Commission introduced the blue-gilled sun fish, also from the Middle West. By an accident a few strawberry or calico bass got into the shipment. All three fish have prospered in their new environment and are said to be a valuable addition to the fishing resources of the State.

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O. P. Brownlow, the deputy game warden for the Porterville district, has returned from Mariposa county, where he aided in arresting nine offenders against the game laws. Nearly all of those arrested were taken up for violation of the provision against having deer meat in their possession illegally.

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The Clansmen is the name of a San Pedro organization in which bullets are ballots for membership. To be initiated into the inner circles, the candidates must be able to make a score of at least 275 perfect shots out of a possible 400. The organization is composed of crack shots of the San Pedro police force. A new range, fitted up with moving targets on the government reservation, through co-operation of Capt. W. H. Sage, Jr., who is himself an enthusiastic revolver shot. He is in charge of the construction work at Fort McArthur for the government.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

Shooters Busy in Registered Tournaments

HIGH SCORES MADE AT FRESNO AND LOS ANGELES TRAPS

Fresno Club.—More than 500 persons witnessed the Fresno Blue Rock "money shoot" Sunday at the club grounds, near Roeding Park. It was the largest and most successful shoot in the history of the San Joaquin Valley. More than $600 in cash prizes was distributed to the shooters from all parts of California and Nevada. Several fine scores were made.

Under the auspices of the same club, the "merchandise shoot" was held Saturday with 300 present. This was the first annual Raisin Day shoot, a registered tournament for amateurs. The results of the two-day shoot follow:

Merchandise shoot—

Shooter.	Broke.	Targets.
Harry Ogilvie, Lindsay	143	150
Tony Prior, San Francisco	138	150
O. N. Ford, San Jose	137	150
A. Flickinger, Vallejo	137	150
*R. C. Reed, San Francisco	133	150
*L. Hawxhurst, Alameda	133	150
A. P. Haliburton, Lindsay	132	150
Dr. R. N. Fuller, Tulare	132	150
G. A. Adams, Fresno	131	150
C. H. Nash, San Jose	131	150

All the above received merchandise prizes. The other scores were:

J. A. Cook, Tacoma, Wash	130	150
W. E. Willett, San Francisco	129	150
Henry Garrison, Modesto	129	150
W. J. Eilert, Fresno	127	150
*C. A. Haight, San Francisco	127	150
H. Havens, San Francisco	126	150
Guy Lovelace, Dinuba	126	150
H. D. Blanchard	123	150
A. M. Barker, San Jose	123	150
H. Thompson, Tulare	122	150
Chas. Huber, Newman	121	150
L. W. Slocum, Fresno	121	150
N. A. Howard, San Francisco	120	150
F. K. Burnham, Martinez	117	150
Dr. J. L. Martin, Fresno	117	150
C. B. Jackson, Fresno	116	150
Fred Appling, Fresno	115	150
J. R. Brennon, Sacramento	112	...
C. R. Arques, San Jose	110	150
C. Foin, Fresno	110	150
R. D. Robinson, Fresno	110	150
Miss G. J. Meyers, San Francisco	109	150
*W. R. Ellis, San Francisco	108	...
L. J. Mook, Fresno	103	...
G. H. Anderson, San Jose	101	150
D. A. Cowan, Fresno	98	...

Registered tourney—

Shooter.	Broke.	Targets.
Tony Prior, San Francisco	196	200
A. Flickinger, Vallejo	195	200
A. P. Haliburton, Lindsay	192	200
H. Garrison, Modesto	191	200
D. Davinson, Modesto	191	200
G. A. Adams, Fresno	188	200
H. Lareson, Newman	188	200
Fred Stone, Fresno	186	200
W. J. Eilert, Fresno	186	200
L. W. Slocum, Fresno	186	200
Guy Lovelace, Dinuba	186	200
O. N. Ford, San Jose	186	200
C. H. Nash, San Jose	186	200
A. M. Barker, San Jose	186	200
D. O. Ostendorf, Lindsay	186	200
C. O. Barieau, Lindsay	184	200
Dr. R. N. Fuller, Tulare	183	200
Dr. J. L. Martin, Fresno	177	200
C. R. Arques, San Francisco	174	200
H. D. Blanchard, Tulare	173	200
N. Thompson, Tulare	170	200
C. B. Jackson, Fresno	162	200
H. Thompson, Tulare	162	200

Trade representatives—

Fred Willett, San Francisco	190	200
R. C. Reed, San Francisco	189	200
A. L. Cook, Tacoma, Wash	186	200
C. A. Haight, San Francisco	182	200
J. R. Bennon, Sacramento	162	200
W. Ellis, San Francisco	161	200

Three having the highest runs—Henry Larnson, 102, Tony Prior 102, Flickinger 106.

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Big Time Club.—Dr. J. H. Stineman of Roseville and Lee Gorman of Sacramento were tied for first in the Big Time Gun Club's shoot for the Klune and Floberg cup Sunday, each breaking 22 birds out of 25 chances. There were 30 shooters participating in the event, which was staged at the traps on the Schenk ranch. M. Priest, last year's cup winner, finished second with 91.

Among the professional shooters in the 25-bird event E. L. Ilgner finished first with 23. William Higgins was second with 22.

A practice event for 10-bird strings was staged and the following made one or more strings of 10 straight: Gorman, M. Newbert and Ilgner, three each; A. E. Pearson, two; F. Biewener, F. Ruhstaller, F. Egersdorf, M. Priest and D. Ruhstaller, one each.

The day's shoot closed with a nine-man team shoot, each man shooting five birds. Judge March and Joe Davey captained the respective teams. March won the first contest, breaking 30 to 27. In the second shoot the result was a tie with 30 birds each. The first shoot-off was also a tie with 25 birds each. In the final shoot-off Davey's team won, 31 to 28.

A ladies' ten-bird event was held and Mrs. Newbert and Miss Baker had high scores with 6 each.

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Lewiston, Idaho.—Hugh Poston, the San Francisco professional, was winner of a special match over the Lewiston, Idaho, club's traps last week. Poston made the creditable score of 297 out of 300. Other scores were: *F. Riehl 290x300, *L. H. Reid 287x300, A. Troeh 294x300 and A. McElroy 291x300. It was close competition between five of the best shots who have ever faced the traps in Lewiston.

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San Rafael Elks' Club.—The newly organized San Rafael Elks' Club staged its first event on Sunday. A number of San Francisco professionals were over to assist in staging the shoot. The San Rafael Elks have a beautiful grounds on the golf links. There was some trouble with the new traps but the new members took to the trapshooting game right off the reel.

A practice event was staged and the first scores would indicate that San Rafael is going to have some crack performers. The faulty working of the traps held down the tallies. The results were:

Twenty-five targets—John Fagan 18, J. Fallon 20, R. Johnson 17, H. G. Ridgeway 14, E. Butler 16, John Schlosser 11, J. Kapperman 17, *H. Trescott 9, J. Arata 11, T. Gable 13, R. Mecci 19, *Larry Middleton 17, W. Stadfeldt 20, *J. W. Moore 14. (*Professional)

Others who shot were R. Dufficy, T. P. Boyd, P. Larney, F. H. Smith and Dr. Halsey.

A big trap shoot under the auspices of the new club will be one of the many athletic features at the four-day Flower Carnival at San Rafael, starting May 21.

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Seattle Association.—On the first day's shoot of the Hercules Powder Trophy handicap, which was held April 23d at the Harbor Island grounds of the Seattle Trapshooting Association, C. E. McKelvey hit 44 out of 50 targets and stood high man in the regular program, breaking 89 targets out of his 100. He also stood high in the 100-target program. J. H. Hopkins came strong after McKelvey with a 43 score to his credit. D. Rhodes was the only professional on the grounds, and scored 41 out of his 50 targets.

The club was honored with Florenzo Constantino, the noted tenor, who paid a visit to the grounds and stayed throughout the first program. Constantino is much interested in the Sport Alluring, and although he did not shoot, stated that trapshooting was one of his greatest amusements.

Many of the shooters have started practice work for the coming state tournament, to be held on the Harbor Island grounds May 23 and 24. This year's event is expected to draw a great many more shooters to the city than ever before.

The scores, at 50 targets—

C. E. McKelvey 44, J. H. Hopkins 43, Hugh Fleming 41, *D. Rhodes 41, Wm. Schilpin 38, G. A. Canuck 37, C. R. Sydman 37, W. B. Taft 36, Joe Bacher 35, Tom Wilkes 34, C. W. Bandy 34, John Considine 31, W. F. Zwick 26, A. E. Hall 17.

At 100 targets—

C. E. McKelvey 89, Hugh Fleming 87, *D. Rhodes 83, W. B. Taft 76, G. A. Canuck 75, Joe Bacher 75, John Considine 71, Tom Wilkes 71. (*Professional.)

Messrs Lord and Bogle shot with the club, but did not take part in the regular program.

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Portland Club.—Harry Pollock and Abner Blair carried off the trophies in the handicap trapshooting tournament of the Portland Gun Club on April 23d. Pollock won two trophies, the Hercules and the Du Pont, beating Frank Templeton in the shoot off for the Du Pont spoon. Blair won the western trophy after a shoot off with Al Seguin.

Two dozen shooters were out and some very good scores were registered from back of the 16 yard line. Al Seguin broke 94 from the 20 yard line and Jim Seavey and Abner Blair cracked 90 from the 21 yard mark. The percentages:

	Score.	Hdcp.
A. Blair	90	21
J. S. Crane	60	16
J. Morris	76	17
E. B. Van Arnam	68	21
Al Seguin	94	20
J. T. Murphy	60	18
C. Sparks	68	18
A. Parrott	82	21
R. Thompson	72	16
F. Van Atta	82	21
A. L. Zichrisson	72	17
H. A. Pollock	84	17
A. W. Strowger	62	17
J. Stutt	73	17
J. W. Seavey	90	21
E. H. Keller	82	20
M. G. McCardle	60	16
J. P. Beall	78	21
W. C. Bristol (20-gauge)	51	19
James Reid	62	21
Miss Gladys Reid	64	16
O. D. Thornton	80	20
Mrs. A. Schilling	82	18
C. J. Schilling	54	21

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Santa Rosa Club.—The opening shoot of the Santa Rosa Gun Club was largely attended Sunday, over 1,000 clay birds being broken during the day by the sportsmen. There were a number of ladies present and the day was passed very pleasantly.

This being the opening shoot, there was no attempt made to keep scores, and it was not a match event in the full sense of the word. In the future scores will be kept carefully and will be given due publication.

Taken all in all, the day was what the most sanguine hopes had painted it in expectation. The sport promises to become very popular in the future and the membership of the club is bound to grow rapidly, as the delights of breaking the clay birds become better known.

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Salt Lake Club.—By defeating a field of twenty-two shooters at the local traps on April 23, Mitchell succeeded in placing his name on the cup for the second time. Mitchell is now the second man to have two wins to his credit.

Charles Reilley led the amateurs in actual breaks by smashing forty-seven out of his fifty targets.

The scores follow:—

	Broke.	Hdcp.	Tt'l
Reilley	47	..	47
Gardner	46	..	46
Klein	45	2	47
Mitchell	45	5	50
Irvine	45	..	45
Bishop	44	3	47
Fisher	42	8	50
Barney, R. A.	42	..	42
Heagren	42	6	48
Bray	41	2	43
Welch	41	2	43
Galligher	39	5	44
Cowan, J. F.	39	4	43
Shepperd	37	6	43
Johnson	35	5	40
Engle	33	8	41
Barney, R. T.	32	..	32
Hart (shot 25)	23	..	23
*Cummings	49	..	49
*Hood	49	..	49
*Morgan	40	..	40
*Du Bray	38	..	38

*Professionals.

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Missouri State Tourney.—St. Louis, May 2—The first regular program in the Missouri State Trapshooting Tournament was held here today. The sun did not shine during the entire day, and at times a cold drizzle was falling. Art Killiam of St. Louis, in the professional two 100-targets event, was high with 193. Summaries:

Two 100-target shoot, processional: Art Killiam, St. Louis, 193; J. W. Barre, Louisiana, Mo., 191; H. Kennicott, St. Louis, and Fred Gilbert, Spirit Lake, Iowa, 190.

Amateur: First, L. C. Larsen, Kansas City, Mo., 191; second, J. F. Dodd, San Diego, Cal., 190; third, J. W. Bell, St. Louis, 189.

Double target shoot, professional: First, B. Lewis, 42; second, F. Gilbert, 41; third, A. Killiam, 38.

Amateur: First, George Nicolai, 44; second, Mark Arie, 43; third, William Wittleaf, 42.

Two-men team shoot, amateur: First, J. W. Bell and W. Petermann of St. Louis, 47 out of 50; second, L. C. Larsen and H. E. Snyder, Kansas City, 46.

Amateurs—J. F. Dodds, 97; L. C. Larsen, 96; W. S. Spencer, 95.

100 single targets, professional, afternoon: First, J. W. Barre, 98; second, A. Killiam, 96; third, W. B. Barton, 95.

Amateur—First, Mark Arie, 97; second, J. W. Bell, 96; third, William Wittleaf and T. M. Ehler, 96.

COMING REGISTERED TOURNAMENTS.

California.

Los Angeles, May 8, 9.—Vernon Gun Club, William Pugh, Manager.

Alameda, May 20—Golden Gate Club, Clarence A. Haight, Secretary.

San Jose, May 28, 29, 30—California-Nevada Association Tournament, San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

Eureka, July 4—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President.

Oregon.

Portland, June 5, 6, 7—Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, Frank Templeton, Secretary.

Portland, Sept. 12, 13, 14—Pacific Coast Handicap.

Washington.

Spokane, May 8, 9 and 10—Spokane Gun Club.

Seattle, May 23, 24.—Washington State tourney, Seattle, Association.

Chehalis, May 30—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, Gus T. Thacker, President.

Seattle, July 4—"Old Policy," Green Lake Gun Club, W. C. Smith, Secretary

Tacoma, July 18, 19, 20, 21—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary.

Sportsmen's Row

Just remember this when some one starts an argument with you, that 282,475 shots were fired in the Grand American Handicap trapshooting tournament in Chicago last August.

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William K. Vandervilt and George Gould each have had two hand traps attached to their yachts, so that they and their guests may enjoy trapshooting while the yachts are on the "briny."

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Two hundred and seventy-five thousand shots were fired on beginners' day last year, and nearly 7000 new trapshooters made their appearance. The numbers will be greatly swollen on beginners' day this year.

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Eight hundred and fifty gun clubs were formed in 1913; 1100 in 1914 and 1500 in 1915. How many will be organized in 1916?

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Bordeaux, Washington, is the home of a new trapshooting organization. It goe under way with 50 members.

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O. N. Ford, secretary of the San Jose, Cal., Blue Rock Club, has shot at 800 targets this year and broken 97 per cent of them.

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The idea of setting one day aside for a salute to the memory of the late George I. Lyon, of Durham, N. C., seems to meet with the approval of the trapshooters the country over, but no organization has taken hold of the movement and it now looks as if it would fall flat.

Two of the best shots in the Boise Gun Club are women—Mrs. W. A. Reason and Mrs. E. C. Grice. They participate in all the tournaments of the club and always fare well.

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Four hundred and sixty-four tournaments have been registered by the Interstate Association for the Encouragement of Trapshooting for the 1916 season. The 1915 number was 333.

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Only 700 of the 4,500 gun and trapshooting clubs in the United States are members of the State Associations. It behooves the secretaries of the State Associations and the Interstate Association to find out why such a condition exists, and then show the clubs that are outside of the fold the light.

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Wonder what Charlie Knight did to those two quarts of champagne he won at the merchandise shoot? Can a duck swim?

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George Thomas is thinking of starting a fruit store. He has twenty pounds of cherries coming for his skill with the gun.

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Champion Harold Havens is going to have some fun with his friend Fred Burnham when he gets that jitney flyer which he won.

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One of the pleasing features of club programs in recent years is the substitution of trophies instead of cash prizes. The Golden Gate Club is going to give 21 beautiful cups this season.

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The Oakland Elks' Club holds its monthly shoot at the Alameda grounds on Sunday. Next Sunday the Alameda Elks fire away and the third Sunday will find the Golden Gate Club in action. On Saturday, May 20th, the Golden Gate Club will stage a registered tournament.

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George Stupp was one of the successful fishermen. He fished on the Paper Mill creek, where he succeeded in hooking the limit. In his basket was a three-pound rainbow. Ed Weiser was Stupp's companion and he had a basket of thirty-five. Otto Simon, Chris Juimme and Louis Ritter, fishing the same water, all got good baskets.

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Walter Arp, who fished the San Gregorio, had one of the prettiets baskets of the day. He was one of the few anglers who had any confidence in this stream, and, fishing with common garden worms, he had the limit in a few hours. Among them were several measuring over twelve inches.

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Charles W. Arp, Otto Stolberg, Joe Hubbel and George Soares were among those who fished the White House pool. Arp got a nice basket of thirty-six fish, but the others had only fair luck. Edgar Liebes, William Weber and Joe Soleski fished the Lagunitas for good baskets, though the fish were small as a rule.

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Seveal readers haveremarked on the crowing of pheasants during the explosions of bombs in the last raid of Zeppelins. The remarkable thing is the wonderful hearing of the pheasant, which gives alarm of an explosion when a human ear cannot detect the slightest sound. It is a question of vibration of the air or the actual sound reaches the bird; but we are inclined to think it is the former. On the occasion of powder mills blowing up, the crowing of pheasants has been remarked far out of the range of human hearing, and a comparison of times has shown that the birds have been effected by the explosion. Other birds do not seem so sensitive, nor do animals betray an alarm.

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Wonder what Mrs. Houghawout is going to do with that gallon of paint she won at the shoot? Her complexion is O. K. right now.

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Advices from the Imperial Valley would indicate about two squads of cotton planters will appear at the Pastime tournament. Among them are several real gunpointers.

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Julie Weisser, cool, phlegmatic old Julie, is rapidly rounding into his old-time form.

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Stanley Andrews is another San Diegan who will bear watching. Any time a gunman slams those screaming left angles, jumping high, or stops a racing right quarterer, he's about due. "Stan" is coming fast and should get his share of prizes at the coming tournament.

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Foster Couts seems to have passed up the shooting game. Too bad! There's a blazing star of rare brilliance. Nick in, Foster, the gang's waiting for you with the glad hand.

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Los Angeles Club.—After striving for several years and never been able to hang up better than a 99x100 score, Frank H. Mellus, president of the Los Angeles Gun Club and a veteran trap shooter, shot his way to victory in the practice day shoot preliminary to the fifth annual registered tournament staged Sunday by the Los Angeles Gun Club by breaking 100 targets straight. This gives Mellus high money in the tournament, which was a 100-bird optional sweepstake event, and placed him high amateur for the day.

The affair was blessed with a perfect day and about 60 shooters, both local and visitors, competed. Visiting shooters were N. A. Howard of San Francisco, 96; L. S. Hawxhurst, Peters professional from San Francisco, 98; William Mullen of Ray, Ariz.; T. D. Riley of San Francisco, 82; Milt Barber of the Pastime Gun Club of San Diego; Charles Julian, also of San Diego; Capt. J. H. Merrill of San Diego, and A. L. Rowe of Whittier.

Hawxhurst and Mitchell were tied for high professional average in the 100-bird event with 98 per cent. Gold bars for long runs were given to Mellus, with a straight of 117, and Ed. Mitchell with 70, by the Du Pont Company. Hercules trophies for runs were won by Hawxhurst with 68 and Howard with 57.

Following the 100-bird event, a 50-bird handicap competition was on for eight prizes. All prizes were tied for. The first, a diamond scarf pin, was won by N. A. Howard after the shoot-off with Fred Grewell. Each had 48x50. Howard had 19x20 in the shoot-off.

Dr. J. L. Martin is president of the Fresno Blue Rock Club and G. B. Jackson is secretary and treasurer. The officials were prominent last week in promoting the successful registered and merchandise shoots.

Frank H. Mellus, in the first day's shoot of the fifth registered trapshooting tournament, staged by the Los Angeles Gun Club, broke 118 straight out of the eight 15-bird events in the ten-event shoot. Out of the 150 birds he succeeded in breaking 148. This again placed him as high amateur for the day's competition.

Three women shooters, Mrs. Heine Pfirrman, Mrs. C. E. Groat and Mrs. E. C. Crossman competed in the contest and fired through the entire 150 birds.

High professional average in this competition was hung up by Guy Holohan, Du Pont professional, with 148 per cent. Second high professional average was achieved by R. C. Reed, a Remington professional.

H. M. Williams of the United States Navy, who arrived the previous day from San Francisco with the rest of the northern stars, was high amateur in the 50-bird handicap event at 16 to 23 yards.

Event 1.—Jack Rabbit shoot in ten events of 15 birds each from sixteen yards, 150 targets:—

*Holohan 148, Fuller 140, Sam Smith 138, N. A. Howard 143, Beckwith 136, *Ed Mitchell 142, F. H. Mellus 148, H. Pfirrmann 144, Vories 138, Mullen 129, Council 122, *G. Oliver 122, Grewell 138, Mrs. Pfirrmann 113, E. D. Crossman 138, M. Barber 131, Fish 105, Parker 46, Chas. Julian 139, Merrill 135, O. N. Ford 146, *Hawxhurst 145, Anderson 142, *Reed 146, Ogilvie 143, Haess 142, H. Cline 130, Llewellyn 120, Williams 136, Reger 115, Blanchard 142, Barto 128, Manderville 125, *Hoyt 132, *Evans 133, *Haight 134, *Cook 140, Rossbach 125, Mrs. Crossman 115, Groat 130, Mrs. Groat 134, Packard 140, Cornelius 139, Riley 46, Bungay 132, Free 108.

*Contenders shot for targets only.

Event 2.—Fifty targets, distance handicap, class shooting, 16 to 23 yards:—

Shooter.	Hdcp.	Score.
*Guy Holohan	22	47x50
Heine Pfirrmann	21	47x50
Frank H. Mellus	21	48x50
O. N. Ford	22	46x50
*R. C. Reed	22	50x50
N. A. Howard	21	39x50
*Hawxhurst	22	39x50
Anderson	20	45x50
Ogilvie	20	46x50
*Mitchell	22	43x50
Borto	19	48x50
Rossbach	19	46x50
Williams	19	49x50
Vories	19	47x50
Fuller	19	48x50
Merrill	19	44x50
Julian	19	45x50
Barber	18	45x50
*Hoyt	18	48x50
*Haight	20	42x50
Cook	20	47x50
Packard	21	47x50
Mullen	19	47x50
Haese	19	48x50
Evans	18	41x50
Council	18	41x50
Crossman	18	46x50
Grewell	18	45x50
Blanchard	18	43x50
Bungay	20	45x50
*Oliver	17	38x50
Rowe	17	36x50
Free	17	43x50
Melford	17	39x50
Harry Cline	16	39x50
Parker	16	34x50

*Contenders shot for targets only.

Frank H. Mellus shattered 148 birds out of 150, making a total of 296 out of 300 shot at during the event. Healso accomplished another straight run of 118.

Three handsome Interstate Trapshooting Association trophies were awarded to Mellus for high amateur for the first day, the second day and for high total for both days.

O. N. Ford of San Jose shot his way from twenty-two yards to the high plane of the new Los Angeles handicap champion by breaking 95x100 in the 100-bird shoot for the title at distance handicaps, 16 to 22 yards. He also tied for second high amateur in the 150-bird shoot for the two days with N. A. Howard of San Francisco with 290x300.

R. C. Reed, a Remington-UMC professional, hung up the high professional average with 148x150 and was high for the tournament with 294x300.

Long run trophies put up by the Hercules Powder Company were won by Hawxhurst with 3 high runs, 67, 78 and 84; Howard with 3 runs, 68, 92 and 62; Vories with 1, 66; Grewell of the Hoegee Company with 1, 54; Capt. J. G. Merrill with 1, 65, and H. M. Williams with 2, 57 and 50.

Many of the shooters were successful in annexing Du Pont gold bars for long runs. Mellus won 4 with runs of 117, 118, 118 and 55; Mitchell 2, with70 and 55; Pfirrmann 1 with 62; Guy Holohan 3 with 81, 88 and 59; R. N. Fuller 2 with 50 and 66; O. N. Ford 3 with 62, 55 and 59; R. C. Reed 3 with 55, 65 and 94; Cornelius 1 with 70, W. Beckwith 1 with 59, and Harry Ogilvie 1 with 58.

Jackrabbit system shoot in 10 events of 15 targets each from 16 yards—

*Holohan 144, Fuller 140, Smith 135, Howard 147, Haese 145, Mitchell 141, Mellus 148, Pfirrmann 145, Vories 139, Mullen 130, Council 130, Oliver 131, Grewell 141, Barto 140, Crossman 137, Barber 115, Julian 134, Merrill 133, Williams 141, Beckwith 132, Ford 144, *Hawxhurst 146, Anderson 134, *Reed 148, Ogilvie 141, H. Cline 139, Groat 123, *Haight 136, *Cook 133, C. E. Groat 137, *Hoyt 130, Evans 135, Packard 145, Free 49, Blanchard 138, Manderville 127, Crossman 116, Fish 128, Arneal 136.

*Contenders shot for targets only.

Los Angeles Handicap Championship—100 birds in four events, 16 to 23 yards class shooting:—

Shooter.	Hdcp.	—Events—			Ttl
V. A. Rossbach	19	16	19	21	23—79
Wm. Mullen	19	22	23	21	25—91
Milt Barber	19	18	21	18	21—78
Charlie Julian	19	19	23	21	21—86
Capt. J. G. Merrill	19	20	22	15	24—81
Frank H. Mellus	22	22	23	18	23—86
H. Pfirrmann Jr.	22	23	25	19	24—91
H. M. Williams	22	21	24	23	24—92
Dr. L. M. Packard	22	23	19	23	22—87
O. N. Ford	22	23	25	25	24—95
*Guy Holohan	22	23	24	23	24—94
Ed Mitchell	22	25	20	22	24—92
*L. H. Hawxhurst	22	24	21	21	24—90
*R. C. Reed	22	21	21	22	22—86
N. A. Howard	21	20	21	24	22—87
R. N. Fuller	21	21	16	23	21—81
J. Haese	21	21	19	23	25—88
Bob Bungay	21	20	24	22	25—91
Cornelius	21	22	23	23	21—89
Chas. Vories	20	20	21	24	25—90
W. Beckwith	20	19	24	20	21—84
Anderson	20	23	21	20	23—87
R. L. Hall	20	16	17	23	24—80
E. C. Crossman	20	22	24	22	23—91
H. Ogilvie	21	22	21	21	19—83
*Harry Hoyt	20	16	23	19	21—79
Sam R. Smith	19	23	22	20	24—89
C. D. Hagerman	19	23	24	24	22—93
Fred Grewell	19	22	22	23	21—88
Blanchard	20	22	24	24	24—94
Forest	19	22	23	21	23—89
Louis Mellus	18	18	18	..	..—36
*George Oliver	18	19	22	20	20—81
*C. A. Haight	18	22	21	23	21—87
Owen Council	18	18	20	21	21—80
*Cook	20	22	22	23	17—84
O. Evans	18	23	24	24	18—90
Harry Cline	18	22	21	22	24—89
Arneal	18	23	24	23	23—93
Manderville	16	23	20	21	22—86
C. W. Fish	16	19	24	22	24—89
A. Pachmyre	16	24	22	21	24—91

*Contenders shot for targets only.

Thousands of Anglers Out for Sport

TROUT FOUND PLENTIFUL BUT RATHER SMALL IN NEARBY STREAMS

The trout season came in with a bang. It is doubtful if there was ever a bigger turnout. Election Day coming right after the opener gave the boys a chance for an outing and the streams throughout the State were visited in numbers. Reports of catches set forth good, bad and indifferent sport. Limits were frequent but in some favorite spots the complaint went up that the trout were small. This was especially true over in Marin county, where anglers stood shoulder to shoulder in some places. Down in Santa Clara and Santa Cruz counties better catches and luck was in order and over in Alameda county it was never better.

On all sides the streams and creeks were very low, due to the fact that there have been no late rains, and the fear is now expressed that the pools will be fished out in a hurry. However, the rodsters will have to hunt for some new nooks.

It is estimated that over 100,000 anglers' licenses have been taken out. Around San Francisco the number was 5,650 up to Wednesday and Los Angeles reported the sale of 8,000. As the season goes on the number will be increased. It looks like angling is now at the height of its popularity. The beauty of the trout season so far is that there have been but few violations of the law. There were a couple of cases of anglers being out without licenses but they are rare and far between, considering the number that were out.

Reports of the conditions of streams up and down the Coast, as furnished by the railroad companies, follow:

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Big Bar—Fishing conditions reported good by agent. Mayaro Lodge also said to be favorable. Helgamite, salmon eggs and salmon flies most attractive.

Blairsden, May 4.—Fishing in creeks very good. Experts have been taking limits easily, using mostly salmon eggs for bait. Feather River still high and only a few catches. Lakes not open. Weather generally clear and warm.

Keddie, May 4.—Streams at present very muddy. No large catches as yet reported.

Belden, May 4.—River clear—trout taking helgamites and grasshoppers. Good catches being made on North Fork, which is clear. Fish are taking helgamites. Chips Creek is clear and fish biting. East Branch water still high. Fine trolling at Three Lakes.

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Fort Seward.—Good catches reported Larabee Creek and Conley Creek, six and seven inches. About the limit being easily taken.

Cloverdale.—Fish are plentiful, and fishermen report they all had good luck and returned with well filled baskets.

Healdsburg.—Fishing has been good in vicinity of Healdsburg.

Shellville.—Have heard of a number of catches of trout since May 1st, Sonoma Creek, each being of from 25 to 30 trout.

Glen Ellen.—Many good baskets fish caught in waters near Glen Ellen. Eight fishermen have caught the limit, and others near it.

Vineburg.—Two parties from here caught 96 trout in Caliente Creek north of Sonoma; also some smaller catches.

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Big Rush For Licenses.—J. P. Fisher, in charge of the licenses for the Fish and Game Commission, reports the greatest business he has ever experienced. From all sides requests are coming in for licenses and Fisher believes there will be over 100,000 issued before the season is very much older.

During 1915 and so far this year 133,750 hunting licenses have been purchased. When the hunting season opens in the fall the number will easily jump to 150,000. The figures give an idea of the interest taken in rod and gun in California.

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Fred Thatcher, secretary of the Southern California Trout Association, believes the present season will be far ahead of any of the past. The fish are larger and the streams cleaner than they were at this time a year ago. The late storms of the spring of 1915 kept the streams roiled and the fish remained near their headwaters until fairly late in the season. The later opening this yearalso has had its effect on the fishing. The extra month has made the fish larger and the streams in nearly every case are clear.

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W. C. Wood of San Francisco and E. C. Graff of Oakland fished in the overflow from Lake Chabot in the Berkeley hills for an hour Monday morning. Graff took two fish of two pounds each from the pool, which is known locally as "Sucker Pool."

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Irving Mosely, a lad from San Rafael, fished the Paper Mill near Camp Taylor, and took twenty-eight trout on the fly. All the fish were of small size, not running over eight inches in length.

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Ben Blagg, a local angler, landed over thirty fish from the Paper Mill in the vicinity of Irvings and Camp Berkeley. The fish were rising readily to a fly of dull plumage, he says, and a blue dun caught the majority of his trout.

GOOD CATCHES IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA.

The biggest and most successful trout season opening in the history of Southern California took place on Monday. Estimates varied as to the number of fishermen who whipped the streams on the opening day, but over 7,000 licenses had been issued in that section up to Saturday and the list was far from complete, with reports to come in from many points and on Saturday's sales at the local sporting goods stores. In all probability there were more than 9,000 scattered along the banks of the trout streams and lakes, and the majority got what they went after—trout.

Comparatively few of those who went out Saturday or Sunday planned to return on Monday, but will stay on for a few more days of sport. The majority of the reports from all points indicated that the fish were plentiful and biting well. The few poor reports which did come in apparently came from fishermen of little experience, for the more experienced came in with limit catches and many big fish early in the day.

Among the prominent anglers who were at Pine Knot were Bernal Dyas, Louis Nikrent, N. T. Powell, city treasurer of Los Angeles; H. S. Wood and J. M. Bohanan, who drove up in "Cactus Kate," Hugh McDowell and daughter; Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Lefferts of Redlands, who entertained Mr. and Mrs. Russell Burrage of Boston; Mont. P. Chubb of Redlands, Mrs. W. M. Merriman, and Mrs. F. A. Rowe; A. S. (Duffy) Swartz and Walter Leeds of Los Angeles; Fred W. Sewell and James L. Burley of Los Angeles, and others. The Cactus Kate party left at eight o'clock with three limits.

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Knights Camp, Bear Valley, May 1.—More fish were brought into Knight's Camp this morning than ever before and the largest crowd of anglers who have ever helped open the trout season was present.

Owing to the high wind and rough water, the lake fishing was poor but the angling in Bear Creek and Van Duzen Creek was above the average. Among those who visited Knight's Camp were T. J. Beaudet, the racing driver; E. T. McConners; Fred Thatcher of the Tufts-Lyon Arms Co., Joe Waddell and J. H. Clayton; James J. Jeffries, Clarence Kolb, Mel Nordlinger, Dr. Moore and Si Myrick; Billy Cline and party; Mr. and Mrs. McGue and party; Joe Strosser, Joe Ingersoll and party; Charles Reed and party; Tom Nicholson and party; George Clarkson and party; W. N. Palmer and party; Don Smith and party; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cathcart, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Monahan, Jack Lankershim and Mrs. C. N. Goodhue; Dr. George Holcomb and party; Will Gunnison; L. Holland; Charles Wagner; W. J. Hughes; William Algers; U. W. Hall and others.

SCHOOL CHILDREN GO FISHING.

Santa Cruz, May 1.—The Sunday salmon catches: William Silva 30, William Johnson 15, O. Bedell and party 4, A. H. Raht of San Francisco 9, Carrol Uhden caught 200 pounds and Ed. Rhodes 100 pounds.

Millions of tiny shrimps and squid are in the bay at present and darken its waters. This is unusual on this side of the bay.

A fire has been raging in the woods back of Cowell's lime kiln.

The schools closed today for the opening of the trout season and the streams were all lined with fishermen, especially the San Lorenzo and tributaries, Soquel creek and the branches and the coast streams.

The finest catch brought to town was by Van O'Lind, who was in by 9 o'clock. He had 28 fish, which weighed 22 pounds. The largest was 22 inches and weighed 4¾ pounds. The smallest was nine inches long and the rest were from ten to twelve inches.

At Brookdale there were many fishermen. Norman Kooser of San Jose had 37 before breakfast, two of which weighed two pounds. His wife had 41 and Mrs. Clara Staffler of San Jose 47. Mrs. J. F. Helms, who was with the party, caught the limit.

C. H. MacBride of San Jose also succeeded in getting the number allowed by law.

Jack Sinnot, a lad, caught a ten and 11-inch trout in a small stream in the city limits, and Randolph Mayo a 1¼-pound fish. Other catches reported were: Mrs. F. Shebley 38, C. J. Dake the limit, including a 19½-inch fish, weighing 2 pounds, and J. F. Hill 50.

The fish are large this year, the water clear and much of the fine fishing is due to the season opening a month later.

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Salinas Club.—Shooting in great form, Dave McFadden took first honors in the big prize shoot of the Salinas Rodeo Gun Club Sunday at Sherwood Park when he made a 48 out of a possible 50, taking a handsome Ford & Sanborn Company's fishing rod for his first choice of prizes.

There were two professionals, Rickelson of the Winchester Arms Company, shooting 44, and Janes of the DuPont Powder Company, shooting 39.

Next Sunday the gun club at Watsonville is to stage a big shoot, and the Salinas members have been invited to attend. Watsonville, Hollister, Monterey, San Francisco, San Jose, were among the outside places represented at the shoot Sunday.

The scores, at 50 targets, were as follows:

D. McFadden 48, Jim Douglas Jr. 46, Charles McFadden 44, B. Varian 44, Ashley Walker 43, Roland Vierra 42, F. Brewington 42, F. Tholcke 42, F. Morebeck 42, ArRt Horton 41, F. Johnson 41, F. Pura 41, Phillips 39, Earls 37, Pete Breschini 37, Jenkins 36, Henry Gross 36, Earl Horigan 34, V. Massera 34, H. Brewington 32.

Jim Douglas, Jr., and Dave McFadden made runs of 25 straight during the shoot, while Douglass in a special shoot of 25 birds, made a clean score after the big shoot.

Following the shoot and the distribution of the prizes, many of the shooters left immediately for the streams nearby, to take in the first day's trout fishing on Monday morning.

FLY-CASTING AT STOW LAKE.

Two new club records were established by members of the San Francisco Fly Casting Club in the Saturday and Sunday medal contests at Stow Lake. On Saturday J. F. Burgin's score of three demerits in heavy tackle accuracy established a brand-new performance. Walter D. Mansfield set a new figure in delicacy and accuracy, with a score of 2½, leaving something for the casters to shoot at in the future.

The officers on Saturday were Stanley Forbes, P. W. Shattuck and H. A. Thomsen, Jr., judges; F. J. Cooper, referee; Charles E. Hills, Jr., clerk. On Sunday P. W. Shattuck, F. J. Cooper and Stanley Forbes officiated as judges, C. H. Kewell, referee, and Charles E. Hills, Jr., as the clerk. The scores:

Sunday results—

Contestant.	—Delicacy— Accy.	Dicy.	Net.	H. T. Accy.
Col. C. G. Young	30	15	22½	19
W. D. Mansfield	5	0	2½	11
T. C. Kierulff	11	5	8	..
F. H. Reed	17	5	11	13
S. Forbes	14	10	12	5
F. J. Cooper	20	10	15	11
C. H. Gardner	24	10	17	10
William Crawford	57	10	33½	28
P. W. Shattuck	26	45	35½	13
C. H. Kewell	27	50	38½	11
J. F. Burgin	36	45	40½	4
Dr. Otto Westerfeld	27	75	51	23
W. L. Gerstle	42	70	56	48
Austin Sperry	..	..	..	18
Charles Gibbs	..	..	..	90
Re-Entries—				
J. F. Burgin	11	45	28	7
William Crawford	52	25	38½	21
F. J. Cooper	26	0	13	..
T. C. Kierulff	14	5	9½	..

Heavy tackle, distance—W. D. Mansfield, 122; S. Forbes 115, F. J. Cooper 106, C. H. Gardner 100, Wm. Crawford 81, P. W. Shattuck 96, J. F. Burgin 103, Dr. Otto Westerfeld 97, Austin Sperry 103.

Half-ounce lue, accuracy—Colonel C. G. Young 23, W. D. Mansfield 12, F. H. Reed 78, S. Forbes 15, F. J. Cooper 29, C. H. Gardner 11, Wm. Crawford 65, P. W. Shattuck 26, J. F. Burgin 6, Dr. Westerfeld 34, Wm. L. Gerstle 98, Austin Sperry 47.

Half-ounce lure, distance—S. Forbes 180, F. J. Cooper 117, C. H. Gardner 126, William Gerstle 99.

Saturday results—

Contestant.	—Delicacy— Accy.	Dicy.	Net.	H. T. Accy.
W. D. Mansfield	11	5	8	18
F. H. Reed	13	5	9	30
F. J. Cooper	20	5	12½	9
S. Forbes	15	10	12½	8
Col. C. G. Young	15	15	15	9
Col. G. C. Edwards	15	15	15	13
C. H. Gardner	22	30	26	4
H. A. Thomsen, Jr.	29	25	27	12
P. W. Shattuck	23	55	39	8
J. F. Burgin	28	25	26½	3
Re-Entries—				
W. D. Mansfield	12	5	8½	10
Col. Edwards	9	10	9½	9
H. A. Thomsen, Jr.	14	15	14&	18
J. F. Burgin	30	25	27½	7

Heavy tackle, distance—W. D. Mansfield 130, F. J. Cooper 115, S. Forbes 115, Colonel Edwards 100, H. Gardner 105, H. A. Thomsen, Jr. 95, P. W. Shattuck 100, J. F. Burgin 95.

Half-ounce lure, acuracy—W. D. Mansfield 21, F. H. Reed 104, F. J. Cooper 14, S. Forbes 15, Colonel Young 27, Colonel Edwards 85, H. A. Thomsen, Jr. 37, C. H. Gardner 5, P. W. Shattuck 17, J. F. Burgin 8.

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The boys were pleased to see our old friend James J. Maynard Jr. out at the traps.

Trade Notes.—An interesting shoot was held recently by the San Jose Blue Rock Club. Tony Prior, shooting Arrow "Speed Shells," won high general average, missing but three of his 100 birds.

J. Ball and J. H. Noel won first and second places respectively at a shoot held recently by the Nashville (Tenn.) Gun Club. Both these gentlemen shot the perfect shooting combination of Remington pump gun and UMC shells.

THE FARM

FEEDING ROOTS.

The feeding of sugar beets, mangels, carrots, turnips and other succulent roots has never gained the favor in this country that it has in some European countries where great excellence has been secured in various types of farm animals. Our farmers have not felt that they need to furnish such feed to their livestock and have favored feeds requiring less labor to produce and place before the stock. Of late years silage has been found to add the desired succulence to the livestock ration. Where good silage is not available, however, farmers should not overlook the advantages of feeding roots.

The common run of roots contain from 70 to 90 per cent water, and the proportion of real food in roots is low when compared with alfalfa hay or grain, but the benefits from feeding roots are not so much in the food contents of the roots as in the effect they have on the balance of the ration and the favorable condition they effect on the organism of the animal.

Fed to dairy cows during the winter months roots increase the milk flow and assist in keeping the hard working digestive organs in prime condition. Fed to sheep with a fattening ration the benefits are readily apparent as the dangers of constipation are obviated and a relish for the balance of the ration is maintained. Care should be exercised in feeding roots to horses, particularly horses that are being worked, as the laxative effect will be found objectionable. A few carrots each day, however, will be greatly enjoyed by the horse and good will result.

For hogs and cattle being fattened it is well to start the fattening period with a liberal supply of sugar beets, mangels, or possibly, turnips, as it will be found that better results will be had from the high priced concentrater used in the latter part of the feeding period after the roots are to a great extent taken from the ration.

Experiments have shown that the flesh of animals fed heavily on roots is much softer than that of animals not receiving succulent food, and on that account there is objection on the part of some people to feeding roots. It will be found, however, that if the feeding of roots is properly regulated as to quantity and gradually decreased as the feeding period advances there will be no objection to this feed on account of making soft meat.

Because of the softening effect roots may have on the flesh of animals, they are particularly valuable when fed in proper amounts to brood sows, mares, ewes and cows as the pliable flesh appears to be a condition favoring the easy birth of lusty young animals.

Don't try to make a full ration of roots alone; use them to supplement the high priced feeds.

Don't be misled by statistics showing that more feed units may be secured at less cost by growing grain or forage than is possible by growing roots. As stated, the main benefit from feeding roots is the effiency given to other and high priced feeds and the good effects of succulent food on the digestive organs of the live stock.

If you are not in position to furnish your stock with good silage you should plan to grow some roots to add to your feeding rations next winter.—I. D. O'Donnell.

Harrows, disks and also cultivators should be looked over carefully. Dull harrows are very inefficient tools to use. The blades of the disk should be sharpened and the bearings should not be neglected. Renew them when necessary. Dull shovels on cultivators cannot be expected to do efficient work.

The right kind of a dairy cow will repay with interest every cent invested for her comfort—for warmth, light, ventilation and feed, and if not comfortably housed her returns will be cut down in proportion to her discomfort.

Look upon the bright side of life. In farming look upon the irrigated side where things are green and growing. The only guarantee of a crop every single year is water on the land.

ACCESSIBLE TROUT STREAMS

Anglers devoting their week ends to rod and reel should not overlook the streams of Marin and Sonoma counties, accessible at small expense but assuring a day of rea lsport, and a basket of fish.

Good streams within walking distance of Lagunitas, Point Reyes, Duncan Mills, Cazadero, Glen Ellen and Cloverdale.

Mendocino, Humboldt, Trinity and Lake Counties abound with streams where large fish are plentiful and await the angler.

The Lower stretches of the Eel River in Humboldt County afford the angler the greatest sport and those content with fly fishing for the gamey steelhead should plan their outing to visit the famous Greigs, Fortuna, Van Duzen or Weymouth pools when the steelhead are running.

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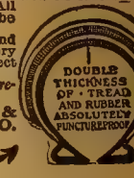


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WILBUR LOU 2:10¼.....Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet

Congratulations to the California State Board of Agriculture and its efficient Secretary, Charles Paine. The program of harness races this association announces this week for the annual fair in September is high class in every respect. $1000 purses are offered in every class on the three heat system, which will provide a splendid seven days of racing if the California horsemen now do their part and make liberal entries. While it is a fact that three or four of the largest stables of light harness horses will be taken east to race on the Grand and other circuits across the Rockies this year there are plenty of high class horses remaining here and perhaps the time will be just as fast on the State Fair track as if these "big stables" remained here to race. Certainly the chances of winning for those racing in California will be increased which should induce every owner of a good horse to see that he is named in his class at Sacramento on June 1st, the date on which entries close. Entries in the purses offered by the progressive associations in the East and Middle West were never more numerous than they are this year, which will give a boost to the game that cannot help but extend the revival to this coast. There will be six or seven weeks of good racing in California this year and it may lengthen out to eight or ten, as several good towns are contemplating holding meetings that have not yet decided on dates. However the State Fair and the Santa Rosa Fair will be the big events and horsemen should not delay making entries at both. Their dates for closing are the same—June 1st.

The famous race mare Bubbling Water, probably the most popular mare that ever raced over the Emeryville course, died at San Jose last week. She was owned by Joseph & Molera of San Francisco and was bred by Col. D. M. Burns at the Candelaria Stock Farm, Sonoma county. Her sire was Col. Wheeler and her dam the famous race winner Shasta Water by imp. Maxim, second dam Tyranny by imp. Great Tom, third dam Moselle by Jack Malone, fourth dam Gazelle by imp. Albion. Bubbling Water won at nearly all distances and was so highly prized by her owners that they once refused an offer of $20,000 for her.

At a three days auction of trotting and pacing bred horses, held in Ohio last month and at which no really high class horses were offered, an average of $243.50 was obtained for the 289 head sold. As the high price was $1010, the average was a good one. Homer S. 2:11¼, a gray pacing gelding that has raced for two or three years and is eight years old was the horse that brought the top price.

Mr. W. H. Gocher has been unanimously re-elected Secretary-Treasurer of the National Trotting Register Association for the ensuing term of four years.

The San Francisco-California Driving Club has conferred an honorary life membership upon Mr. John A. McKerron of this city, a deserved tribute.

A LETTER FROM THE BOARD OF REVIEW.

New York City, May 2, 1916.

To Members of the National Trotting Association:

As your officers and trustees, we deem it but fair to ourselves and all concerned that a brief statement be made of the actions of the last Congress, in view of certain press comments.

The Board of Review at its December meeting, by Resolution duly passed, instructed the then President of the Association to appoint all Committees from the officers of our members, being between two and three thousand in number, thereby giving the President the right to appoint the Committees from the officials of the Associations which were members of the National Trotting Association, they being the stockholders of this Association, and for whom the Board of Review are its Directors and Trustees.

The then President disregarded the action of the Board of Review and defied its power, relying upon the fact that the prior Congress had authorized him to appoint Committees and that, therefore, the Board of Review was powerless to direct the President in the appointments.

In the absence of an express authority to the contrary, the President would necessarily be obliged to appoint all Committees from the members just the same as Boards of Directors of private institutions appoint their committees from its members or stockholders.

The By-Laws in force at the time the authority was given to the President to appoint the Committees contain a provision that the Board of Review should have the power and authority to "exercise all the powers of the corporation" and such Board of Review should have "both original and appellate jurisdiction," and further, under Article IX, Section 4 of the By-Laws, the Board of Review shall "exercise all powers of the corporation; and upon it is conferred the management, direction and control of all the business and affairs of the corporation." This we believe sufficient to satisfy any fair minded person that the Board of Review had the right to pass the resolution in question.

Was it not, we ask you, the proper and right action to take to provide that those persons who have taken enough interest in the success of the light harness horse to give the meetings and become the officers of the Associations that they should be named upon those committees? If the officers of the different members, who are in the active control and management of the different Associations do not know what rules they need and are not qualified to become members of the different Committees, including the Rule Committee, then we are badly deceived and would of necessity have to conclude that they are incompetent officials. This is not our experience.

Complaint has been made of the treatment given to the Committees named by the ex-President at the Congress. The Committees were appointed by the President in direct violation of the Resolution of the Board of Review. The Congress could not recognize the right of the President to defy and disregard the orders of the Board of Review, and to have recognized those Committees would have been putting the seal of approval upon the violation of the Board's order by the President. With what consistency could the Association ask persons having business with the Board of Review to obey the orders and decrees of the Board when its President would not obey them? That would lead to but one end, that of lawlessness.

No fair minded person could take exception to the provisions of the Resolution and therefore, the Congress could not do otherwise than to refuse to recognize the Committees thus appointed in violation of the orders of your Board of Directors.

Not recognizing the Committees did not in any way deprive the individual members of the Committees who were delegates from participating in the Congress nor in presenting the reports of the Committees to the Congress, but all members were permitted the fullest expression and consideration by the Congress.

The action of the Board of Review at its present session should be a complete and satisfactory answer to all criticism concerning the attitude of this Association to the Year Book, and we leave that action to speak as our complete reply and answer to any alarm regarding the alleged unfriendly attitude of this Association to the Year Book.

There need be no fear upon the part of any one that the National Trotting Association will not carefully protect the interests of the light harness horse, both in his breeding and development.

This Association is the parent one and always will be, and our purpose is to be active but conservative and at the same time progressive in its truest sense.

We have confidence in the Associations we represent and the officers in control and are willing to be judged by our acts.

By order of the Board of Review,

JOHN C. WELTY,
President.

The feat of the Eleventh cavalry in Mexico last month, if correctly reported, ought to put an end to criticisms of Uncle Sam's army horses and horsemen. It is stated that the troops under Major Howze covered 570 miles in twenty-one days through one of the worst stretches of country in North America. The horses that made the performance were supplied by dealers to the War Department for something less than $150 each.

SAN FRANCISCO-CALIFORNIA DRIVING CLUB.

At the annual meeting of the above named club held on Tuesday evening of this week the following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, G. J. Giannini; Vice-President, J. C. Welsh; Treasurer, Dr. I. B. Dalziel; Secretary, W. J. Kenney; Sergeant-at-Arms, William Malough. Board of Directors — T. Sexton, Bert Edwards, J. J. Ryan, J. M. Kidd.

During the evening Mr. Adolph Ottinger took the floor and addressing his remarks to President Giannini, who had just been re-elected, in an eloquent speech presented him on behalf of the members of the club with a handsome gold stop watch, Mr. Giannini responding with much feeling.

It was then decided to hold the opening matinee of the club on Sunday, May 14th, at the Golden Gate Park Stadium track and the following horses were named for the different events:

First race—2:18 Pace. For Claremont Hotel Cup:
H. Campodonnci's King Pointer.
G. J. Giannini's Bradmont.
Geo. Conlan's Little Jack.
E. T. Ayre's Dr. Davidson.
J. W. Kidd's Senator H.

Second Race—2:30 Pace. For S. F.-Cal. Driving Club's trophy:
Jackson Martin's John Campbell.
J. Vermet's Cookie.
L. A. Gidelow's Black Mack.
A. P. Scott's Little Dick.

Third Race—Free-for-All Pace. For G. J. Giannini's trophy:
William Malough's Emma M.
J. M. Kidd's Pointer Bell.
B. Cohn's Mabel Dillon.
W. J. Kenney's W. J. K.
G. P. Machado's Bold Harry Aerolite.
Joe Ryan's Hamburg Bell.

Fourth Race — 2:30 Trot. For John Nowlan's trophy:
M. Ford's Minequa.
J. M. Kidd's Alto Trix.
A. Gravanetti's Yoncalla.
Wm. Newman's Dolly Casine.

The officers of the day will be: Judges, John A. McKerron, A. Ottinger, Dan Keating; Timers, J. A. Wilkins, Fred Clotere, F. P. Lauterwasser, Sr.; and Starter, J. J. Ryan.

A DESERVED TRIBUTE.

The following is from the New York Trotter and Pacer of May 4th and will be read with pleasure and approval by all California horsemen:

"The announcement that Budd Doble has resigned from the management of the Hemet Stock Farm, in southern California, and from all connection with racing and breeding save that of sentiment, deserves a passing notice, at the least. If any man has ever won the right to retire and enjoy the laurels of an active, honorable, well spent life it is Budd Doble. For more than fifty years his name has been one more closely associated with harness racing, more widely known to every man with even the most remote interest in the trotting horse, than any other during that long period. Contemporaneous with Hiram Woodruff, Dan Mace and others among the giants of the sulky in the foundation days of the sport, he has outlived them all and reached a higher pinnacle of fame than any who preceded him, any who have been coeval with him or any who will probably succeed him. To merely enumerate the famous horses which have been trained and driven to world distinction by his hands would entail many hours of research and require many columns of space. It will suffice to say that they embrace Goldsmith Maid, Dexter, Nancy Hanks, and many others whose names will endure as long as the American trotter exists. But better than all—better than the renown he has reaped and any riches that he may have garnered, is the priceless reputation he has achieved in the varied experiences of his career. His name has been a synonym for good repute in harness racing, his example an inspiration to all who would dignify the sport and make it meet the conceptions of right-minded people. His fame is broad and high and will endure because it has been wrought on right principles. In half a century of active participation in racing not a stain has dimmed the glory of his achievements, not a blot has tarnished his fair name, and in laying down the reins now at more than three score and ten years he will have the gracious approbation of every sport-lover in America, with the hope that his days may linger and be peaceful and happy to the end.

Harness racing lost an enthusiastic supporter when the death of Mr. W. H. McDoel, prominent railroad man and amateur reinsman, occurred in Chicago last month. Mr. McDoel visited California on several occasions and made many friends here among the horsemen who will regret to hear of his death. Among many horses that he had owned was his namesake McDoel 2:15¼, winner of the Transylvania in 1890, driven by Budd Doble, in which race he defeated the future champion, Allerton 2:09¼. He also owned the leading money winning pacer of 1903, Allerson 2:05¼ and the two-year-old filly Noma 2:19¼ when she won the Horse Breeder Futurity, she being the first of the get of Walnut Hall 2:08¼ to show prominence.

MAY DAY AT DIXON.

Between three and four thousand people attended the 39th annual renewal of the May Festival at Dixon, Solano county, last Saturday, and had the early morning hours not threatened rain the crowd would have been twice as big. While a slight rain fell early in the forenoon and there were clouds in the sky and a cool breeze blowing until nearly midday, the sun came out bright and warm by that time and the afternoon was simply perfect so far as weather conditions were concerned.

After the usual parade, crowning of a May queen and literary exercises in town, the crowd headed for the driving park to witness the harness races which were the chief attraction of the afternoon. The half mile track was in fair condition, although it was not quite dry enough for anyone to predict its record of 1:01¼, held by Teddy Bear 2:05, would be broken, and by the time the first race was called there was not a seat vacant in the grand stand or on the big open stand adjoining, while hundreds had to join the "standing committee," perch on the fences or remain in their autos, there being no less than 243 of these vehicles parked in the infield and as many more scattered about in the grove of beautiful trees which makes the Dixon Park such an ideal picnic ground.

Three races were on the card and all were for pacers. A quartette of high class two-year-olds were starters in the first event, the Dixon stake which had a money value of $320. They were Merrill by Teddy Bear, driven by L. B. Daniels, Raymond by Teddy Bear, driven by C. Silva, Mollie McCarthy by Vernon McKinney, driven by J. Doran and Marshall Logan by Jim Logan, driven by Elmo Montgomery. The race was half mile heats, best two in three, and Marshall Logan won in straight heats without much difficulty in the good time of 1:10½ and 1:11. Marshall Logan is a tall, rangy colt that has a world of speed, a good racing head and the gameness of his sire. He is the second of the get of Jim Logan 2:01¾ to start in a race, the other one being Maxine 2:15, winner of the three-year-old pacing division of the Pacific Breeders' Futurity in 1914, a race that went to five heats. The stout little filly Mollie McCarthy was the principal contender against Marshall Logan and in the first heat looked like a winner as she led into the back stretch after Marshall Logan had gone to a break just after rounding the first turn, but the son of Jim Logan settled to his work like a veteran and, pacing very fast, caught Mollie at the far turn and beat her to the wire by a good open length. He won the second heat as handily, the crowd standing up and cheering the Dixon bred colt to the echo. Marshall Logan was bred by James W. Marshall, of Dixon, who since he bred and raced Mona Wilkes 2:03¼ seems to have acquired the habit of breeding pacers that win with great regularity. The colt's dam is Leota 2:23 by Diablo 2:09¼, next dam the famous broodmare Trix Marshall by Nutwood Wilkes. Merrill, Raymond and Mollie McCarthy all raced well and showed speed, and while Marshall Logan outclassed them they are much more than ordinary colt pacers, and the race was an interesting one.

The 2:20 pace, with seven starters, furnished the thrills of the afternoon, one of which had a serious result. There were seven starters, Marie, Lock Logan, Hamburg Bell, Bold Harry Aerolite, Graustark, Oro Mo, and Palitea. In the first heat, as Elmo Montgomery, coming very fast, turned into the stretch slightly in the lead with Lock Logan, his horse went to a running break. William Ivey with Palitea and L. B. Daniels with Oro Mo were on either side of him, so close that sulky wheels were almost touching, while two other horses in the race were just behind the three leaders. The Dixon track is very narrow and Montgomery coolly took in the dangerous situation and concluded it were better to be set back for running than to slacken the gait of Lock Logan in an endeavor to pull him to pacing, and thereby cause an almost certain dangerous mix-up. So he let his horse gallop through to the wire and was heartily commended by every person who saw the predicament in which he was placed. The heat was awarded to Palatea with Oro Mo only a short head behind in second place.

When the horses were sent away to a good start in the second heat something happened just as they entered the first turn and Oro Mo driven by Daniels went down, the roan horse Graustark was on his feet but up against the fence, while Palatea, Hamburg Bell, Lock Logan and Bold Harry Aerolite went on (Marie having been withdrawn after the first heat). The crowd rushed onto the track and surrounded the fallen horse and driver. Daniels was quickly on his feet but had been severely bruised and was assisted into an auto and rushed to a physician. Oro Mo was seen to be dying, and after examination by a veterinarian was ordered shot. He was a chestnut horse by Demonio and had a record of 2:09¼ made at Salinas in 1914. He was the property of C. F. Silva of Sacramento.

It was at first thought that Daniels had suffered a dislocation of the shoulder but examination showed that outside of some severe bruises that will keep the popular trainer out of the sulky for a few days he is not injured. Just what caused the accident it is hard to say. There are about as many explanations as there were witnesses to the unfortunate occurrence, but as there was no intentional fouling, the sharpness of the turn, narrowness of the track and the fact that six fast pacers were all being driven at top speed in an effort by each driver to get into the lead and win the heat, are sufficient reasons to account for a lamentable accident which resulted in the death of a good horse and the injury of a popular driver. There is cause for congratulation, however, that Daniels has suffered no more serious injury than bad bruises, as his forced retirement from the sulky would be a distinct loss to the harness horse interests of California, as no trainer is held in higher esteem than L. B. Daniels.

Palatea won the heat in four and one-half seconds slower time than the first heat, and then Bold Harry Aerolite, heretofore known as Aerolite Jr., took the next three heats, pacing one of them in 1:04.

The free-for-all had two starters, and was really an exhibition, both horses, Bondalean and John Malcolm, being in the Silva stables. Chas. Silva had the mount behind Bondalean and Smith drove Malcolm. Neither horse was in good shape for a really fast mile, but Bondalean won both heats easily. In the first heat both horses broke going round the far turn and in the second heat Malcolm repeated the trick, but Silva drove Bondalean the half mile in 1:04, coming the last quarter in 31 seconds.

Outside of the serious accident the sport furnished by the pacers was greatly enjoyed and the crowd remained until the close. The people of Solano county are great lovers of the light harness horse and a good program of harness races is to be provided for the Solano County Fair which is to be held at Dixon this fall.

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Palitea, winner of two heats in the 2:20 pace, was bred and is owned by Dr. J. R. Haile of Winters, Yolo county and is by E. D. Dudley's stallion Palite, and his dam a favorite road mare of the Doctor's that was by a son of Alex Button. For the work Palitea has had he made a good showing in the race and was well driven by William Ivey.

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James Sutherland of Pleasanton and Dr. I. B. Dalziel and Dan Hoffman of San Francisco were the judges, and William Higginbottom did the starting. The latter got the horses away in good order in almost every heat and there was no complaint. The Dixon track is a mighty fast half mile, but the track is very narrow and but four sulkies can line up abreast in the stretch, which makes the starting of a field of six or seven horses a very difficult proposition. The fact that there was no complaint about either the starting or the judging speaks well for the gentlemen who were in the stand.

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Lou Mativia had charge of putting the track in order and but for the sudden storm which came up Friday night and threatened until nearly noon of Saturday it would have been even faster than last year when Vera Hal and Teddy Bear (the latter at the pole) raced the half mile neck and neck, the Bear winning in 1:01¼, which is only one-half second slower than the world's record for a half mile track. As it was the footing was about as near perfect as any track ever gets. A mile of such soil would make the fastest track in America, and Mativia is the man that could put it in order for smashing all records.

GOOD PURSES IN THE NORTHWEST.

The North Pacific Fair Association's circuit of seven weeks of harness racing is in our advertising columns this week, and there will be a regular feast for those who take their horses to that section this year provided the said horses are fast enough to win a fair share of the many purses hung up. Starting at Vancouver, Canada, August 14th, there are early closing purses of from $500 to $700 to trot and pace for, as well as purses ranging from $200 to $500 that close later. August 28th is the date for opening the Southwest Washington Fair at Chehalis and here the purses are all of $500 each. The Spokane Interstate Fair, beginning Sept. 4th, offers uniform purses of $750 each, and the Grays Harbor County Fair will be held at the same time with $250 purses on its program. Sept. 11th the Walla Walla County Fair opens with purses of from $500 to $700, then comes the Washington State Fair, beginning Sept. 18th, with purses ranging from $500 to $700, and on Sept. 25th the Oregon State Fair begins at which there will be a 2:12 trot for $2000, and a 2:08 pace for the same amount, with plenty of other classes at $600 to $700 for each.

Stake books giving all the particulars, conditions, rules, etc., are yours for the asking if you will only drop a postal to any of the secretaries or to John W. Pace, Seattle, Washington, giving the address to which you desire the stake book sent.

If you want to race up north, send immediately for the stake book and then send in your entries by the first of June to the early closers. Read the advertisement in this issue carefully. There is "good picking" for a fair horse on that circuit this year.

William Weightman, a resident of California, has recently purchased the farm known as Melrose Castle Farm, at Cassanova, Virginia, together with its stud of hackney horses, headed by the stallion Seaham Stoker, an imported son of Fire Boy, one of England's greatest sires of this now very popular breed.

We shall have to wait another week for a complete report of the Indianapolis sale, but in the meanwhile it is known that the average of the two days' sale was considered very good, although the highest priced horse was a colt that sold for $2,000.

PACIFIC BREEDERS' FUTURITY STAKE No. 1

The following fifty-seven fourth payments wer made on May 1st in Pacific Breeders' Futurity Stak No. 15, for foals of 1915:

D. A. Allen's br c Leonid McKinney by Leonid, dai Almah McKinney by McKinney.

E. T. Barnette's b f by Carlokin, dam Zephyr b Zombro; b c by Copa de Oro, dam Phyllis Ba nette by The Director General.

C. J. Berry's b c by Carlokin, dam De Ora by Cop de Oro.

I. L. Borden's b f by Major's By Guy, dam C. D. K b f by Ed. McKinney, dam Miss Nutwood by Nut wood Wilkes.

S. Christenson's br c King Albert by The Bondsman dam Reina Directum by Rey Direct.

John N. Colomb's b f Mary McKinney by Vernon McKinney, dam Mary Gordon by Gordon.

Chas. Cook's b f Goldie McGregor by Onward Mc Gregor, dam Gypsy C. by Nutwood Wilkes.

S. H. Cowell's foal by Panama, dam Harvest Queen by Silver Arrow; foal by Panama, dam Zaza by Henry Nutwood.

Wm. C. DeRyder's b f Kilo Watts by General Watts dam Miss Douglas by Cochato.

Wm. E. Detels' b f by Onward McGregor, dam Bonnie Melba by Bon Guy.

Dr. Wm. Dodge's b c Bon Rex by Bon McKinney, dam Johanna R. by Limonero.

Jas. F. Dunne's bl f Prieta by Tom Smith, dam Lette B. Jr. by Benton Boy; b f Viola Watts by General Watts, dam Native Bidwell by The Native.

V. K. Dunne's ch c The General Bond by General Watts, dam Bourbon Bond by The Bondsman.

W. G. Durfee's ch f by Copa de Oro, dam Christianita by Zolock; b f by Carlokin, dam My Irene S. by Petigru; b f by Copa de Oro, dam Dixie W. by Zolock; b f by Carlokin, dam Honey Healey by Zombro.

E. A. Gammon's b c The Meteor by Peter McKlyo, dam Cleo Dillon by Sidney Dillon.

Alex. Grant's br f Margaretta Lou by Wilbur Lou, dam Sona by McKinney.

H. H. Helman's b c Baron Mowry by The Bondsman, dam Lady Mowry by McKinney.

Hemet Stock Farm's ch c by Wilbur Lou, dam Eradiate by Geo. W. McKinney; b c by Wilbur Lou, dam Fiesta Queen by On Stanley; b f by Wilbur Lou, dam Hemet Girl by Geo. W. McKinney; b c by Wilbur Lou, dam Lady Zombro by Zombro; ch f by Kinney de Lopez, dam Louise Carter by Chestnut Tom.

H. A. Hershey's b f Skye Ball by Jim Logan, dam by Falrose.

H. S. Hogoboom's ch f Beautiful Baby by Palo King, dam Beautiful Morn by Iran Alto; b c Bingen the Great by Robert Bingen, dam Beautiful Bird by Nutwood Wilkes.

R. S. Irvine's b c Vannan by The Bondsman, dam The Bloom by Nushagak; b f Bonnetta by The Bondsman, dam Beretta by Searchlight.

Abe W. Johnson's b c W. J. K. by Directum Penn, dam Belle Raymon by Raymon; br f by Directum Penn, dam Anna Elton by Elton.

Ed. Lavin's b c by George Hammett, dam Stella McKinney by Ed. McKinney.

Wm. Loftus' b f by Copa de Oro, dam Leonor McKay by McKinney; b c by Copa de Oro, dam Annabelle L. by Hamb. Wilkes; b f by Carlokin, dam Iran Belle by Iran Alto.

A. W. Longley's b c by Prince Ansel, dam Ella J. by Bob Mason.

R. J. MacKenzie's b c Terry Patchen by Joe Patchen II., dam Zombro Belle by Zombro; b c Carl Vernon by Vernon McKinney, dam by Carlokin.

Carey Montgomery's b c Tennessee Bill by Jim Logan, dam Lela H. L. by Nutwood Wilkes.

J. W. Pendleton's bl c Bertrey Bells by Derbertha Bells, dam Abbie McNutward by Guy McKinney; bl c Louniska Berbells by Rapallo, dam Beautiful Bertha by Moormont.

Dr. M. F. Schaltenbrandt's b c Wm. McKinney by Scott McKinney, dam Kate by Antevolo.

W. L. Scott's ch c Wilbur Lou 2nd by Wilbur Lou, dam Lady Lou by Stanton Wilkes.

W. L. Selman's br f by Prince Zombro, dam Bessie Mack by Herman.

T. D. Sexton's bl f Vernon McKinney, dam by Oh So.

J. E. Short's b c Tom Morris by Skidoo Wilkes, dam Honda Girl by Rubino.

Chas. F. Silva's bl c by Teddy Bear, dam by Zombro.

C. F. M. Stone's b f Lady Harriet by Carlokin, dam Cora Jane by Del Coronado.

L. H. Todhunter's foal by Peter McKlyo, dam Zombowyette by Zombro; foal by Peter McKlyo, dam Osmuda by Bon Voyage.

M. L. Woy's br c Strathalie Hall by Black Hall, dam Strathalie by Strathway.

O. H. Wright's bl c Jake Mosier by Reflector, dam Rosie Wilkes by Falrose.

Senator Ben F. Rush of Solano county, who still owns a small band of highly bred trotting stock, made up in part of several broodmares that have produced horses with low records and race winning abilities, is using on a number of his best mares this year that royally bred and grand looking trotter Moko Hall 2:10, owned by Mr. Frank Ruhstaller of Sacramento. Moko Hall is by that great sire Walnut Hall 2:08¼ and his dam is by Moko, another wonderful sire of speed. Some extra good colts should come from the use of this horse at Senator Rush's stock farm.

THE PREVENTION OF PULLING.

In a most interesting article on "Pulling and Its Causes" by "Marque" in the Horse Review, of April 26th, he relates some interesting facts about several world's champion trotters and incidentally pays a deserved tribute to our California trainer, Millard Sanders. In that portion of the article relating to over-ambitious horses that are inclined to pull, he says: "Champions achieved their honors largely because they were given an over plus of vitality and a great amount of nervous force—in other words, they are ambitious and highly organized in a temperamental respect. To make them what they were required the utmost skill and patience, and to utterly ruin them was as easy as eating strawberry shortcake.

"Take Lou Dillon as an example. Did you ever have the pleasure of seeing Millard Sanders work and fuss with her? Well, if you had you would, like myself, give this trainer a world of credit. She was a bundle of nerves, so high-strung that only one trainer in one thousand could have got along with her. I didn't see her when Millard first took charge of her in California, but I did see a lot of her when he brought her over to the Grand Circuit in 1901 in her four-year-old form. The trainers used to pass sarcastic remarks every time that she appeared for a work-out, and the stock question was, "What does Sanders hope to do with that speed crazy filly?" But Millard kept on with his tedious task, evidencing the patience of Job, and never for an instant losing either his head or his faith in Lou. He worked her many miles the wrong way of the track, sitting calmly while she cantered and hand-galloped, always addressing her with soothing words, and never letting her know that she was doing things for which nearly any other trainer would have severely punished her. He was conscious of the jibes and jokes of which he was the victim, for often he used to remark to me, "Just wait till I am ready and I will show them such a trotter as they never dreamed of." He won the mare's confidence, conquered her by letting her have her own way, and in the end had as finished a pupil as any trainer ever turned out. Lou never made a single break or spoiled a score for either her trainer or for her owner, Mr. C. K. G. Billings, and while a lot of people still say that she was 'speed crazy,' I cannot figure upon what grounds they base their belief. She wore a lip strap, but, as Mr. Billings, who broke all world's records worth while with her, will tell you, she never pulled him and was throughout as steady as a clock. There is no doubt in my mind that there were a number of minor 'Lou Dillons' foaled which, through incapable training, were relegated to the discard as crazy and worthless.

"Take Uhlan as another example—a gelding so full of spirit that he was always, in his stall and out of it, on the point of bubbling over. He was amenable to kindness and persuasion, but start to cross him, or fight him, would be immediately to stir up a fuss. Bob Proctor was his original trainer, but it was the 'champion maker,' 'Doc' Tanner, that brought him to the post in form to achieve his unprecedented honors. Uhlan always insisted upon having his play out before he was willing to undertake anything serious. Time and again I have seen him come out for his morning jog stepping higher than any show ring winner, his tail held high and snort after snort coming from him as if to notify the onlookers how good he felt. Reaching the track he would frequently pass around it several times, cutting capers, and suddenly he would drop his head and sprint at a 2:00 clip or better. All the while 'Doc' would sit with loose lines and let the gelding do as he pleased, declining to take hold of him even when he shot away in one of his spasmodic flights of speed. What would have happened had 'Doc' sought to restrain Uhlan, or have refused to let him have his fill of play? There would be no trotting record of 1:58 in the open, and instead of being the best of friends, trainer and horse would have come to grips with one another.

"It's a cinch that hot-headed, willful, high-strung horses make champions, and it's equally pertinent that it is much easier to spoil them than it is to make the utmost use of their splendid qualifications. The Harvester 2:01 came to Mr. Geers with a vicious reputation, and the G. O. M. transformed him into a champion of almost perfect deportment. In his early work he would have loved nothing so much as to fight and resent efforts to conquer him, but, fortunately, that pleasure was denied him. The story of the making of Mary Putney, the world's champion three-year-old trotting filly, is a replica of that of practically all our champions. She was full of iron, full of determination, wanted her own way, and became tractable after she was permitted, for weeks at a time, to indulge her temperamental fancies. I had her story from her trainer, Walter Cox, and from her former owner, James Powers. Walter used to instruct Mr. Powers to take her out in the country and let her do as she pleased, and it was this sort of treatment that made it possible to subsequently use her great speed. It requires no fine perception to figure what a 'rough-house' trainer would have made of Mary, and what would have transpired had she been turned over to one of those dead-armed drivers to be raced—that is where Dick McMahon came in for glory. While I am on the subject of Mary Putney I want to state that I believe she will get a record of 2:00 or better, for I know of no other young trotter that offers so many of the required qualifications. Chauncey Sears, of Fall River, Mass., her owner, is a lucky man, and luck, you know, plays a part in every prospective champion's success."

THE WORLD SUPPLY OF HORSES.

Horse breeding is a world problem and must be considered as such, for horses are produced and used all over the world.

The latest available world census figures are given by the United States Department of Agriculture in its annual report for 1914. These, while admittedly incomplete for some of the less important countries, are believed to be fairly accurate as to the number of horses existing in all leading nations. According to this data, the world had in 1914 slightly more than one hundred and five million horses. Russia (including both European and Asiatic) had a little over thirty-five millions. South America possessed a trifle over ten million head. Central America and the West Indies are credited with 2,400,000, 859,000 of which were in Mexico. Canada is credited with 2,058,000; the British Isles with 2,233,000; Australia, South Africa and New Zealand combined, with 3,628,000; France with 3,231,000 and Italy with 956,000 head. Germany had 4,523,000 and Austria-Hungary 4,374,000 horses prior to the outbreak of the war. Figures given by the London Live Stock Journal, considered an authority, show that the total number of horses in France was reduced from 3,231,000 to 2,227,000 head within the first eleven months of the war, or a decrease of 31 per cent between August 1, 1914, and July 1, 1915. The reduction in number of horses in the other nations engaged is probably as great.

Through the courtesy of Jacob DeGeus of Michigan, whose brother is one of the leading horsemen in Holland, the following, from a letter written January 15, 1915, is taken:

"The Germans have been buying all the horses they can possibly obtain in Holland. Good geldings of common work stock only 18 months old are bringing $250 to $300 per head."

The following extract (also furnished by Mr. DeGeus) from DeVeldbode, one of the leading agricultural newspapers in Holland, issue of February 5, 1916, is direct testimony:

"Prices on horses are real war prices. The average prices paid for fair work horses, not too old, is never less than 2000 marks ($475) per head. There are not horses enough to do the work of farmers, and it seems as though we were turning back to the days when oxen were most used for farm draft power."

Whatever may have been the ideas of army men prior to the war, it took but a very brief time to convince them that however valuable motor trucks and tractors may be in transport work, horses alone could be relied upon to put men and artillery in position where needed, and when needed.

Russia's surplus, most of which was too small, was shut off from other nations. South America's supply was limited and nearly all the horses were too small in size. The United States was the only nation with an available surplus of the right kind of horses; and there can be no more conclusive evidence of the indispensability of horses than is visible in the cold figures regarding exports. From September 1, 1914, to February 1, 1916, 542,602 head of horses, valued at $114,999,223, and 139,929 mules, valued at $26,803,506, were actually exported from the United States. This exceeds, in dollars and cents, our total exports of horses and mules for the sixteen years preceding the outbreak of the present war, and is unanswerable evidence of the need for horses and mules, despite the admitted value of trucks and tractors in transport work.—Wayne Dinsmore, in Percheron Review.

HORSES AT HEMET STOCK FARM.

Frank Rees of the Hemet Stock Farm sends the Breeder and Sportsman a few items about the trotters and pacers that Fred Ward has in his speed school.

Hemet has been a mile in 2:13¾, a half in 1:08; Sterling Lou (4) trotted a mile in 2:19 and a quarter in 32¼ seconds; Oro Lou (4) a pacer, has shown a mile in 2:19 and a quarter in :32; Fiesta Lou (3) a mile in 2:17½, quarter in :31¼; Harry R., pacer, mile in 2:11¾, quarter in :31½; Bon Courage a mile in 2:17½, quarter in :31½; Great Northern mile in 2:19. The rest of the aged horses have just been started up. Amongst the younger division is a pair of two-year-old trotters that look at present a little the best youngsters ever on the farm, namely: Louise de Lopez, daughter of Kinney de Lopez and Louise Carter. She has been a mile in 2:23½ with a quarter in 33¼ seconds. The other is Zeta Louwill, by Wilbur Lou, dam Zeta W. by Nutwood Wilkes, and she has been a mile easily in 2:29 with a quarter in 34 seconds. The two-year-old pacing filly by Wilbur Lou, Lady Zombro, has shown a mile in 2:26½, a half in 1:10½. The yearling Wilbur Lou—Eradiate a quarter in 39¾ seconds and the yearling Kinney de Lopez—Louise Carter an eighth in 20 seconds.

Burton Carpenter of San Diego has four head in training at Hemet Farm track: A trotter by Zombro that has been a mile in 2:17¾, a pacer by Vassar with a mile in 2:15 and an eighth in :14¾; a pacer by Strathway with a mile in 2:20, also Nutway 2:18¼ that he has raced the last three seasons and not been outside the money.

Sam C. Fuller, who drove the famous chestnut mare Kentucky Union 2:07¼ to her record in 1896, just twenty years ago, when she was a rival of that great California trotter Directum 2:05¼, has recently been elected judge of the Sedalia, Mo., police court.

WALLA WALLA HORSE NEWS.

Billy Hogoboom is a natural-born optimist. He never looks on the dark side, and whether he or some brother race driver has an off day, a lame horse or any other of the many trials that beset the driver's path, he always expects to see things get better. And they generally do. Billy is at the Walla Walla track, together with the finest bunch of drivers in the Pacific Northwest. Less complaint of racing conditions and a more hopeful expression regarding present racing conditions and future prospects was found here than at any other track yet visited. The track was a little wet, but the boys found good jogging roads outside, and in a few days the track will be in fine shape. They all had horses that can win and are going to win. And this is the spirit that is good for the racing game.

Billy Rowe, a green three-year-old pacer by Prince Axworthy, dam Zepherine by Antrim, owned by William Rowe of Walla Walla, is in Hogoboom's stable, and is a good prospect.

A sweet three-year-old pacing filly by Blue Peter, dam by Antrim, is owned by Clyde Weatherford, of Walla Walla.

Florence H., a bay three-year-old by Blue Peter, dam Lida Carter 2:12½ by Stam B., out of the dam of Nutwood Wilkes, is a fine speed prospect. So is Bessie K., a two-year-old full sister, both owned by James Dacres of Walla Walla.

Billy also has two very promising green mares owned by Arthur Remington, of Olympia, a man who loves the harness race horse for the horse's sake. One of these, Florimel, is by Martin's Florida, dam Birdie. She is a full sister to Irene 2:19¼, trial 2:12, trotting. The other, Atazo, is by Zombrook, son of Zombro, dam Altie by Antamont, son of Altamont. These are both good prospects and should be heard from this season.

J. A. Bush has his good trotter, A. McK. 2:23¼ by Bonnie McK., dam Rose Caution by Caution. His mark lets him in about right to be a good money winner.

Bush owns jointly with Mr. Gimble, of Spokane, Miss Spokane by Blue Peter, dam by Zombro, a green pacer that has worked in 2:18, half in 1:06.

Babe Patch by Junior Dan Patch, dam by Zombro, is another good pacing prospect, owned by John Taylor of Spokane.

Monty Carlyne by Carlisle, dam Ferrona by Arronaux, a green trotter, is owned by D. W. Barclay and is starting his work well.

George A. Kelly has his good old stallion, Bonnie McK., that has eight in the list, including Bonnie Antrim (4) 2:12, that was also the fastest two-year-old gelding out the year he raced in his two-year-old form.

Kelly also has Baby Lila by Bonnie McK., dam Lady Linmont. She has been miles in 2:16 in a fast race, but has only a breeder's mark of 2:29¼.

L. C. Shell has Hobo, a green stallion by Teddy A., dam Cayuse Mollie, dam of Lady W. and Bonnie M., both 2:13¼. He also has a very promising two-year-old by Hobo out of Lady W.

J. H. Pridemore has his good stallion Lou Crellin 2:23 by C. The Limit, dam Moscovita, dam of Bon Guy by Guy Wilkes. He is a great show horse and has never been defeated in the show ring. Pridemore's other horses are Patsy L. by Zolock, dam by Caution, a green trotter; Lou Deckers by Lou Crellin, dam by Salte, and Joe Buckly, a green pacer by Bonnie McK., dam by Linmont, that has been a half in 1:09.

W. H. Franklin has Carlyle F. 2:15 by Lyle, dam Lady Franklin 2d, and Senator H. Jr. by Senator H., dam Angerine by Antrim. Franklin will race both horses, and is the one man here who seriously considers going East for the racing season.

J. M. Floyd has M. Stubblefield's mare Mattie McK. by Bonnie McK., dam Harriet Gooch by Pricemont, a good prospect.

J. E. Johnson has Maud Defiance, a pacer by Prolong, dam Phenela by Phyllis; a four-year-old trotter by Exaris, dam Minoca by Mendocino, and Morris E., a green trotter by King Alexis.

Practically every one of these horses that meet with no mishap or setback will race.

There are also at the track several runners. Earl E. Smith has Handsome Ted, a Sovereign colt, a good three-fourths or seven-eighths horse; a two-year-old stallion by Bellweather, out of Angel, and Marta Mac, a grand five-year-old stallion, good for a mile race, by imported Marta Santa and out of imported Lutie Mac.

E. A. Armstrong has at the track Sleepland, a good mile horse, and Henry L., a green colt, and will soon have two more.

F. Heavner has Ducal Crown, Lillian Ray and Sorrowful, all good campaigners.

Samuel Gray still has his mare Dorothy Alton by Alton B., a full brother to Chehalis, dam by Westfield. Mr. Gray still drives her, and she is still a goer. She has a fine colt by Crelen.

There are still a number of well bred horses used in Walla Walla, despite the number of automobiles, and apparently there is more interest in racing this spring than for several years.—Corr. Rural Spirit.

The measuring standard at horse shows must be grievously inadequate to determine the height of a horse, as at a recent New York show the saddle mare Patsy Newman won second prize in the class for saddle horses under 14.2 and the next night was placed first in the class for saddle horses over 14.2.

Notes and News

San Francisco's matinee season will open tomorrow at the track in Golden Gate Park.

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Good weather will result in a big crowd, as all are anxious to see the horses again, after a let-up of several months.

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The track is said to be in good condition so some fast miles may be expected, as the road driving has been good for two months and the horses should be fit.

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There are good purses up north this season. The North Pacific Fair circuit announces a fine list of purses which are advertised this week.

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There is a full page of interesting reading about "Save-the-Horse" in this issue. Better turn to it and read some of the testimony presented.

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Fifty-seven yearlings are paid up on in the Pacific Breeders' Futurity for foals of 1915. If you have an entry in it, look them over and see what you will have to beat.

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The new book of by-laws, rules and regulations of the National Trotting Association has been received and can be supplied from this office. These are new rules in force since February 9th, 1916. In paper covers, 25 cents; in morocco, 50 cents.

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Henry Helman, who won all his starts at the P.-P. I. E. last year, has the two pacers Prince Zolock and Mack Fitzsimmons at work at Salinas and hopes there will be classes for them at the different coast meetings. They are eligible to the 2:08 class.

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Get in the swim. The saddle horse is just entering on a boom. Breed a mare to that handsome specimen of the famous Kentucky breed—Le Grand McDonald, winner of the world's junior championship. Write to E. A. Bridgeford, 519 California street, for particulars.

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The Stanford-Occident Futurity, value $3000, for foals of mares covered in 1915, will close for entries Monday next. Only $2 to nominate mare. Read the conditions of this stake in the advertisement on another page. Don't forget that the stake closes Monday next, May 15th.

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Deviletta 2:10½ by Diablo 2:09¼, that fast and handsome mare owned by Mr. W. S. Harkey of Gridley, Cal., foaled a bay colt May 2d, by Robert Bingen 2:11¼, that arrived pacing and seems to know no other gait. It is a bay without any marks and Mr. Harkey is already figuring on how fast this colt should go as a three-year-old and thinks the colt record for that age at the pacing gait should not be too low a mark for it to get with good luck, a good day and a good track.

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The California State Fair program of harness races is on the second page of today's Breeder and Sportsman. $1000 purses all through. Every horseman in the State will be interested in a program like that. Entries are to close June 1st, when only 2 per cent of purse will be due. The program is a most liberal one. This looks to be the year when it will not be quite so hard to win as the best of the horses are going east to try conclusions with the best in the world on the Grand Circuit.

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Secretary Paine of the California State Agricultural Society offers a regular banquet with trimmings to the harness horse owners this year. $1000 purses are hung up for the 2:09, 2:15, 2:20 and 2:30 trotters and the free-for-all. 2:10, 2:14 and 2:20 pacers, with a special purse of $1000 for 2:13 class pacers in which horses with no records or slower than 2:20 are not eligible. Do you get that last race? The aim is to provide a race for horses that can race around 2:13 but to keep out those with speed enough to go in the 2:10 or free-for-all classes. The entire program is in this week's "Breeder" on the second page. Remember, the date of closing is June 1st.

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The top prices of the Indianapolis sale were obtained for two youngsters consigned by C. A. Harrison, the champion horse enthusiast of the northwest. They were the two-year-old Senator O'Brien, yearling record 2:29, by Peter the Great, dam Carrietta 2:18 by Directman, that went to Amos Whitely of Muncie, Indiana, for $2000, and the three-year-old colt Suldine (2) 2:12, holder of world's half mile track trotting two-year-old record of 2:13¼, by Worthy McKinney, that was knocked down to Joseph Kleckner of Philadelphia for $1975. Very meagre reports of the sale have come to hand and we will have to wait until next week to learn just what the horses from the Pacific Coast brought individually. Among the horses heard from, however, Rapallo brought $550 and Sis Bodaker $600. In spite of the fact that no very high prices were obtained the average was very good, it is said.

H. W. Williams of 28 East Clay street, Stockton, one of the Breeder and Sportsman's old subscribers, writes that there is in his stable two green horses that he thinks are pretty good prospects. One is a pacer that wears no hopples and only a pair of quarter boots for protection that he has only had thirty days and has shown a quarter in 30¾ seconds. The other is a seal brown mare, four years old, that after one month of breaking and training trotted a mile in 2:25¼. Mr. Williams does not give the breeding of these horses but says they are well bred, and the young man who owns them desires to sell as he has no money to train them.

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When A. Ottinger of this city concluded to dispose of his matinee horses, Dick W. 2:06¼, Frances S. (mat.) 2:11½, and Agnes Carter 2:15¾, he offered the three for $1000 to anyone who would take them. To one or two friends who were members of the San Francisco Driving Club he knocked $200 from the first named figure and to Charley DeRyder he offered to transfer ownership of the three for $600. Charley said he was boosting instead of knocking the horse market, so induced Ottinger to consign them to the Indianapolis sale, and last week the three brought nearly $1600 at the big auction held at the Hoosier metropolis. According to the Indianapolis News, Agnes Carter brought $630, Frances S. $360 and Dick W. $440, a total of $1530 for the three.

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J. R. Smith, the Pleasanton Driving Park horseshoer, is an artist in his way. He has recently been making horse shoe pins, brooches and watch fobs of gold, silver or copper that have attracted much attention and that are really splendid and artistic specimens of his handiwork. Horse shoe stick pins, finger rings, brooches, etc., are designed and worked from any metal in a manner that will please anyone who wishes to retain as a souvenir any old gold or silver they may own. A watch fob can be made from a horse shoe or any piece of silver or gold and Mr. Smith will submit designs when requested. Write to J. R. Smith, horseshoer, Pleasanton, and he will send you an illustrated circular containing many of the designs in pins, brooches, fobs, etc., he is making.

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For some time Walter Tryon, the well known Sacramento horseman, has owned in partnership with J. W. Marshall of Dixon, the colt Dixon Boy and last week became the sole owner by buying Mr. Marshall's interest in the colt. Dixon Boy is now a four-year-old and is by that successful sire of good looks and speed The Patchen Boy 2:10¼ out of Leota 2:23 by Diablo 2:09¼, second dam the great broodmare Trix Marshall (dam of Mona Wilkes 2:03¼, Aerolite 2:06¾, etc.) by Nutwood Wilkes. Dixon Boy's half-brother, Marshall Logan, won the two-year-old pace at Dixon last Saturday and looks like a real race horse. Dixon Boy has been a mile in 2:06¼, a half in 1:02½ and a quarter in 30½ seconds as a three-year-old. He was not in good shape when he made his only start last year as a three-year-old at the P.-P. I. E. races, but got fourth money in a race paced in from 2:09¼ to 2:13½, and he shows every sign of being a very fast horse. He will be carefully trained by Mr. Tryon and should be able to win in the classes to which he will be eligible on almost any circuit.

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S. H. Hoy, whose almond grove just outside the town of Winters, Yolo county, is one of the prettiest orchards in that section of nut and fruit-bearing trees, has a three-year-old trotter that is attracting much attention from the horse loving people of the Putah creek region. This young trotter is a bay stallion without marks of any kind and is as perfect a specimen as Mr. Hoy ever owned and he has bred quite a number with records at the pace and trot. The colt is by that elegantly bred stallion The Proof 2:10³⁄₄ (son of The Exponent) and his dam is by Zolock 2:05¼, second dam Satanilla by McKinney 2:11¼, third dam Laurell Inca, the dam of Sir Gird 2:24¼ by Inca, fourth dam Fairy Queen (dam of Pink 2:23½) by Echo. This colt is a square trotter, with splendid conformation and great resolution. He worked a very handy mile in 2:37½ as a two-year-old, but as he has no stake engagements will only be given easy training this year and not be keyed up for racing. Mr. Hoy says he never had a young trotter he liked better than this one and expects him to grow into a valuable horse. He has lots of natural speed, is good gaited, level headed and looks like a splendid prospect.

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Lou B. Taylor of Newhall, who trains his horses over the Los Angeles track, writes that he has worked his pacer Baxter Lou 2:14¼ a mile in 2:13, last half in 1:03 and last quarter in 31 seconds. Baxter Lou started three times last year and won three races, only losing one heat. His slowest heat was paced in 2:17½, which shows that he was a consistent race horse and he is headed for a low record. He is by Kinney Lou 2:07¾, as is Luana 2:16½, a good trotting mare also belonging to Mr. Taylor, who has been a mile in 2:20 with her this year, the last half in 1:08 and the last quarter in 32½ seconds, which shows that she has speed enough to win races in her class. Luana also won three races in three starts last year and her heats were in from 2:16¼ to 2:22¼. That she is a handsome trotter can be readily seen from her picture which adorns our title page this week. Luana is by Kinney Lou 2:07¾ and her dam is Benita B. 2:27½ by Stam B. 2:11¼, second dam Salinas Maid 2:30, a great broodmare by Junio, third dam Mamie V. by Carr's Mambrino.

A subscriber asks if the time made in a match race for $20 where judges and a timer were in the stand, but the race not advertised and no money taken at the gate is a record or a bar. A horse winning a heat in such a race will acquire a bar, but unless the race is officially and duly reported he will not be given a record. In other words a horse winning under those circumstances will not be credited with a record in the Year Book, but will be barred from starting on any association track in classes slower than his record upon proof that he won such bet or race.

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The great brood mare Lottie 2:15, registered as Lottie Whippleton, owned by Woodland Stock Farm, was found dead in pasture at Meadowbrook Stock Farm, near Pleasanton, one morning last week. Lottie was the property of Woodland Stock Farm and her death adds another to the many deaths that have befallen the horses of that farm since its sale and the dispersal of its stock. Lottie was a brown mare foaled 1892 and was bred by the late H. W. Crabb of Oakville, Napa county, who sold her to Alex Brown of Walnut Grove, who in turn hold her to the Woodland Stock Farm, Inc. of Woodland. . Lottie obtained a record of 2:15 trotting at Stockton when she was eight years old when she won the first heat of the 2:15 trot. As a brood mare she was quite successful, as she was the dam of four standard performers, as follows: Prince Lot 2:07¼, Lottie Ansel 2:14¼, Ruth Ansel 2:21 and Anselot 2:28½, all by Prince Ansel. Lottie was by San Diego 8776, and her dam was Flora B. 2:27 by Whippleton 1883, second dam Kate, a mare of untraced breeding who was queen of the road when owned by John Tychson of Alameda county. Mr. S. Christenson, proprietor of Meadowbrook Farm, informs us that Lottie was in good condition when last seen alive, and was due to foal in a short time to Robert Bingen.

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A Breeder and Sportsman scribe accepted the invitation of Dr. I. B. Dalziel of this city to accompany him in his "Overland" to the May Festival and races at Dixon last Saturday. David West, the popular Fillmore street harness dealer, and photographer Richardson were also of the party which left San Francisco by the 6 a. m. creek boat for the Alameda side of the bay, and thence by way of Richmond and Pinole to Martinez, where the Carquinez straits were crossed by ferry, the route thence leading from Benicia over the state highway through Cordelia, Fairfield and Vacaville to Dixon. There were portions of the road between Oakland and Martinez that were a little rough, but could not be called bad, while the highway from Benicia to Dixon is as smooth as a floor. The ride through the undulating hills of Contra Costa county is very picturesque while the fruit orchards in the Vacaville section are most beautiful at this time of the year. Dr. Dalziel has a pride in obeying the laws of the road and never exceeded the state limit of 30 miles an hour, which in the soft spring air made the ride a most delightful one. The speedometer showed 73 miles as the distance run, and Dixon was reached a few minutes after 11 o'clock. The country along the entire route presents a beautiful appearance at this time of the year, although the lack of rain has caused the hay crop, much of which was being cut, to be very light, and a great deal of the late sown grain will not make a crop this year. Barley that was sown and up in February looked very thrifty and with ordinary cool weather will produce well. Outside of the slight sprinkle of Saturday morning, which was not enough to register in a rain gauge, there has been no rain in this section of California since the middle of February, something that has not happened before in 45 years. The heavy rainfall during the winter months has left the ground full of water, however, and six inches below the surface the soil is moist and insures good orchard crops and plenty of water in the wells. The ride to Dixon and return with the fine program of sports at the festival and the excellent racing, made the day one long to be remembered by those who were Dr. Dalziel's guests on that occasion.

DEATH OF SANTOS.

The noted broodmare, Santos, by Grand Sentinel 2:27¼, died on April 15th at the farm of her owner, Mrs. D. D. Streeter, of Kalamazoo, Michigan, says the Horse Breeder. The mare was twenty-nine years old and had been in the possession of the Streeter family ever since she was four years old. When Mr. Streeter died in 1909 all of his horses were sold except Santos, Mrs. Streter deciding to keep the famous matron as long as she lived. Santos was best known as the dam of Peter the Great 2:07¼ and J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08, undoubtedly two of the greatest stallions living today out of one mare. Her produce are as follows:

1892—Episode 2:18, br m, by Ambassador 2:21¼. Dam of two performers, one sire and one dam.
1895—Peter the Great (4) 2:07¼, b h, by Pilot Medium. Sire of 231 performers, twenty-six sires and eighteen dams.
1897—Barzaleel 2:23¼, br g, by Spottswood, 26283.
1900—Chimes of Normandy 2:16¼, br m, by Chimes. Dam of one performer.
1901—Anvil Chorus, br m, by Chimes. Dam of two performers and one dam.
1903—Nautilus, br m, by Chimes.
1905—Music Master 2:29¾, b h, by Moko. Sire of two performers.
1906—Shultsworthy 2:16¾, ch h, by Maxworthy. Exported.
1907—J. Malcolm Forbes (4) 2:08, br h, by Bingen 2:06¼. Sire of twenty-four performers.

Thoroughbred Matters

EIGHT STAKES AT RENO.

The Nevada derby at a mile and an eighth and a purse of $2500 will be the leading event of the Reno race meet which opens July 1st.

There will be eight stake races and entries will be closed on June 15th. The events in the order of their value follow:

Nevada derby, three-year-olds; value $2500; one and one-eighth miles.

Reno Business Men's handicap; three-year-olds and over; value $2,000; one mile.

Opening handicap; three-year-olds and over; value $2000; three-quarters mile.

Independence handicap; three-year-olds and over; value $1000; one mile.

Golden Gate stakes; two-year-olds; value $1000; four and one-half furlongs.

Juvenile stakes; two-year-olds; value $1000; five-eighths mile.

Overland handicap; three-year-olds and over; value $500; three-quarters mile.

Riverside handicap; three-year-olds and over; value $500; one mile.

Purses will be $300 on those days on which no stake races are to be run, overnight special races of $500 will be provided.

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There is no doubt that A. K. Macomber's royally-bred Kentucky Derby candidate, Star Hawk, is daily growing more in favor among the horsemen at the Churchill Downs track as a dangerous quantity in the $15,000 classic which will be run off on May 13, says the Thoroughbred Record.

Star Hawk is by Sunstar, out of Sweet Finch (sister to Cunard). Sweet Finch was bred by the late James B. Haggin. She was foaled in 1903 and sent to England in 1904, got by Goldfinch, out of Lucania, by Sir Modred; second dam School Girl, by Pat Malloy; third dam Glenluine, by Glenelg; fourth dam Lute, by Lexington; fifth dam Lula Horton, by Albion; sixth dam Martha Dunn, by Sovereign, etc.

Old Rosebud, which won the Kentucky Derby of 1914 and set the record for the race, 2:03 2-5, comes from this family. To this family also belongs that remarkable three-year-old Claude, which won the California, Tennessee, St. Louis and Canadian Derbies, and ran second to The Picket in the American Derby, giving that horse twelve pounds. Other famous horses tracing to the dam's side of Star Hawk are the American Derby winner, Wyett; the two Suburban Handicap winners, Troubadour and Go Between; the wonderful race mare, Ida Pickwick, and such other superior performers as Virginius, Kildare, Lizzie Krepps, Pupil, Lucania, Keenan, Patron, Lismony, Trolly, Sheriff Bell, Ascender, Sister Mary, Dr. Catlett, Ten Booker, T. M. Greene, Ten Candles, Louise, etc.

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The spring meeting of the New Louisville Jockey Club opens today at the famous Churchill Downs course, the $15,000 Derby being the day's big event. There are 56 entries to this race and a big field is expected to start. J. W. Parrish's crack colt Bulse may be the favorite as there is much talk about the wonderful work this chestnut son of Disguise II has been doing, although John Sanford's colt George Smith will probably divide the honors with him. George Smith was bred by Chinn & Forsythe and when sold at auction as a yearling brought but $600, but the present owners paid $25,000 for him. James Rowe is training five or six good three-year-olds for H. P. Whitney and this stable will probably be the favorite when the mutuals close. Walter Jennings has Mr. A. K. Macomber's entries in good shape and will probably start Star Hawk and The Cock in the race. This will be the forty-second running of the Kentucky Derby, one of America's greatest races.

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The Kentucky saddle horse is taking the New York market by storm and the sales are numerous and at good prices. As the three gaited horse has the call among New York buyers, the Kentucky breeders were wise enough to meet the demand and train their horses at the walk, trot and canter gaits, well knowing that their conformation and style were more desirable than that of the hackneys for saddle uses.

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Advertising of the kind that was done by the associations at Goshen, Monroe and Middletown, New York, which resulted in an entry list of from 35 to 45 for each race, cannot help but boost the sport. As Guy Rockwell says: "All of the successful half-mile track secretaries are not down in Orange county, but there are many secretaries who try to keep a secret the fact that they are going to stage races at their tracks. If racing officials were prone to let the public in on their plans to the extent of a little advance information about the events, some dope about the star entrants and a liberal distribution of general news about their meeting, perhaps people who did not know a race meeting was scheduled would be enlightened and would attend. This scheme attracts capacity crowds in New York state and probably would work in other sections of the country."

ARABIAN HORSE CLUB ACTIVITIES.

The Arabian Horse Club of America is about to issue a revised edition of Volume I. of its Stud Book in the form required by the United States Government. The members of the Arabian Horse Club, believing that the crossing of Arabs on other well established breeds would prove of value, has two registration sections in its Stud Book—one for the pure bred, or desert bred Arab, and the other for the crossbred Arab in which latter section the crossbred produce of an Arab must always appear.

That the Arab crossed on other breeds is a distinct success has been amply demonstrated in the last two years. What the members of the Arabian Horse Club have been hoping to do has been accomplished. Take J. A. P. Ramsdell's successful saddle horses, Bella, Stella, Natasha and Aloui, some by trotting bred stallions out of Arab mares and others by saddle bred stallions out of Arab mares. Look at C. E. Perkins' winning horses of his own breeding, Bamboo, Pantomime, Joe Hardy and Tango, by his Arab sire out of trotting bred mares and hunter mares. Some of these half-bred Arabs would be hard to improve as hunter and saddle types, and they show that the beauty and quality of the pure Arab are wonderfully potent to refine and improve the common run of horse stock.

The Arabian Horse Club is not as large as the Percheron Horse Society, but what it lacks in numbers is more than made up in the enthusiasm, not to say devotion, of its members. Devoted is the better word, for no other class of horsemen can quite rival those who are breeding the desert courser when it comes to devotion to their equine idol. Peter B. Bradley, of Boston, is president of the organization; C. E. Perkins, of Burlington, Ia., is the vice-president, and H. K. Bush-Brown, of Washington, is the secretary and treasurer. Lately the club has elected Miss Ethel Boyd Bowers, of New York, as recording secretary and custodian of the stud book. Miss Bowers is widely known among horse show exhibitors as the painstaking compiler of "Ribbon Winning Show Horses," a hand printed book in which the performances and often the pedigrees of prize winning horses are preserved at the expense of infinite and unrequited labor.—N. Y. Herald.

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FROM A SOUTH AMERICAN READER.

From a subscriber who has been a constant reader of the Breeder and Sportsman for many years we have received the following:

Mahaiconey, British Guiana, April 14, 1916.

Dear B. and S.—Please find money order enclosed for $4 for another year's subscription. It is about the best four dollars' worth I get. The war surely has brought our friend, the horse, into wonderful prominence again. I heard from a friend just back from the war (he does not know much about horses) that they do not like the Irish horses as leaders in the gun teams as they are apt to jump all the ditches, etc., and as a result throw down the wheelers. I suppose they were hunters pressed into unaccustomed harness. I suppose those good Ardenne ponies and colts must be all gone. I used to know them pretty well 30 odd years ago. Handsome, sound, active little horses, up to any amount of weight. Too good to carry Germans—bad horsemen.

Yours faithfully,

PHILIP MacADAM.

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GOOD PRICES FOR SADDLE HORSES.

Eighteen well bred Kentucky saddle horses consigned by S. T. Harbinson & Co. were sold at Durland's in New York April 21st. They were high class, broken to harness as well as saddle, and there were several show prospects among them. They averaged $550. The chestnut mare Miss Fanny Francis was sold to B. L. Bell for $1,600, and the bay mare Dona Burnett to W. A. McGibbon for $1,175. Mr. McGibbon also purchased the brown gelding Short Hose for $825. Twin Six, a highly finished black gelding, was bought by Mr. DeRys for $775. The chestnut chestnut gelding Chambun sold to T. Collins, Philadelphia, for $800. The gray mare Irish Linen was purchased by Miss Margaret Whitney for $600 and the bay mare Gay Heart was sold to L. J. Horowitz for $600.

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William Carr, of New York, who is an Englishman and has seen nearly all the best hackneys exhibited in that country and in New York in recent years, says that American breeders are now showing the best hackney ponies in the world. The American ponies have more quality than any found abroad and in Mr. Carr's opinion American breeders have only to make the best of their opportunities to be exporting hackney ponies to England in a few years.

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R. S. Skinner has been promoted from assistant secretary to secretary of the Montana State Fair. He succeeds P. B. Sheldon, an able and well known newspaper man who resigned recently to become editor of the Helena Daily Record.

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T. H. Dudley of Santa Monica, Los Angeles county, has been appointed by Governor Hiram W. Johnson a member of the State Board of Agriculture to succeed A. L. Scott of San Francisco, who recently resigned his office because of pressure of business. Dudley's appointment takes effect immediately.

THE SUMMER SESSION AT OUR UNIVERSITY.

How to raise chickens as well as economics and theories of social reform, how to run a milk business as well as art, music, Browning, and Shakespeare; how to plan and conduct home or school gardens as well as French, German, Italian and Spanish, will be taught in the approaching summer session of the University of California, from June 26 to August 5, for Agriculture is to be made an important part of the summer session curriculum.

A number of these agricultural courses will be planned especially to aid teachers of agriculture in the high schools, including courses on agencies for rural progress, rural school administration, general science, and first-year agriculture, nature study and school gardens, agriculture in secondary schools, and work for graduate students who are specializing in agricultural education.

There will be fundamental scientific courses such as those in general agricultural chemistry, soils, fertilizers, and entomology, including systematic entomology, economic entomology, field and laboratory work in collecting and identifying the common insects of the San Francisco bay region, and a "mosquito survey," for which a party of summer session students will spend six weeks traveling about California studying the habits of the mosquitoes responsible for malaria, and means for their control.

There will be a course in veterinary science in which students will be shown how to examine horses for soundness, age, and physical fitness; how to dissect a horse, and how meat is inspected for market purposes; the prevention and treatment of the common diseases of cattle including field work in cattle surgery, milk, meat, and market inspection from a veterinary standpoint; field work in tuberculin-testing of cattle, prevention of infectious diseases of animals, and field work in immunizing swine against hog cholera.

The more common diseases of California crops will also be studied, with opportunity for graduate work on special problems in plant pathology. There will be courses in forestry principles and forestry methods. The course in poultry husbandry will take up such practical problems of a commercial poultry ranch as poultry-feeding; the feeding of chicks, growing-stock, laying hens, and fowls being fattened for market; the selecting and laying out of a poultry ranch; incubation and brooding; the laws of breeding and how to practice selection so as to develop flocks of heavy layers or choice meat fowls; the construction of a poultry house; poultry equipment such as trap nests and mash hoppers; killing and picking, crating eggs for market, caponizing, the management of breeding fowls, poultry diseases and parasites; sanitation, and the general care and management of a poultry farm.

All California is to be used as a laboratory by the students of the University of California this summer, for besides the summer session work for four or five thousand students at Berkeley from June 26 to August 5 there will be a Summer School of Surveying at Swanton, a Summer Assembly of Science at the Scripps Institution for Biological Research at La Jolla, a poultry short course at Riverside, and a number of field expeditions, beginning shortly after Commencement and lasting for six weeks, in which the students of the College of Agriculture will get practice at the University Farm at Davis in general agriculture or poultry or animal husbandry; visit the principal citrus-growing regions of California; study in an entomological summer camp at the southern end of Fallen Leaf Lake problems of the insects affecting man and the domestic animals; study in typical orchards the growing and handling of the chief California deciduous fruits, and visit vineyards, wineries, and packing-houses for observation of viticultural methods, and visit different farming regions of central California to study problems of plant pathology.

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The Percheron Review, authorized by the Percheron Society of America, has just been received from its compiler, Secretary Wayne Dinsmore of Chicago. It is beautifully printed and handsomely illustrated, contains a number of well written articles on the Percheron draft horse and special articles on the outlook for draft horse breeding in America and France. There is also an official report giving the registered names and numbers of all Percherons winning prizes at shows recognized by the Percheron Society of America in 1915. Secretary Dinsmore writes that a few hundred extra copies of the Percheron Review are available that he would like to place in the hands of farmers who are good prospects as purchasers of Percherons. They will only be sent upon direct application by letter from those interested who must give size of their farm, its location and the number of horses used. Any farmer directly interested in the Percheron horse should write Secretary Wayne Dinsmore, Union Stock Yards, Chicago, and secure a copy.

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A number of responses have been received by the advertiser who desires to purchase four yearlings by "Wilbur Lou, Prince Ansel, Vernon McKinney and some other good horse." Many of the yearlings offered are not staked and the gentleman has ordered the ad in for another week in hopes of getting a few more replies from owners who have yearlings with stake engagements that they are willing to sell. It behooves breeders to stake their colts, as the above instance clearly demonstrates.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

AGAINST PRISON GAME FARM.

A plan for the utilization of prison labor in the operation of fish and game farms, which has been advanced in the state of Washington, would not be feasible in Utah, in the opinion of Fred W. Chambers, state fish and game commissioner. Mr. Chambers will oppose its being adopted in Utah. The Washington plan has attracted considerable attention on the part of sportsmen.

The idea is to establish at Walla Walla, Wash., a co-operative fish and game farm to be operated with convict labor for supplying with fish and game counties which are too poor to establish fish and game farms of their own.

"The plan is unwise in the first place, because prisoners at that class of work would not be learning anything that would be of use to them after they were released," says Mr. Chambers. "As a means for the employment of convicts it is of little value as fish and game farms would offer work for only a few men.

"There is no need for such a system in Utah as our plan for establishment of game sanctuaries when placed in operation will adequately supply the state with fish and game. We expect to have the sanctuaries created this season and an enormous quantity of fish and game will be propagated at little cost to the state.

"Game farms are of value only when an effort is made to propagate game birds, which are not natives of the state in which the farm is established. It is the policy of this department to propagate only the native birds. If reared in sufficient quantities they will meet the desires of the Utah sportsmen."

CHANCE TO COLLECT BOUNTIES.

The guns which have been laid up by sportsmen with the closing of all game hunting seasons might do beneficial as well as profitable service for their owners if they are taken out after predatory game. Coyote, mountain lion and wildcat hunting furnish exciting sport, and in many counties of the State there are bounties offered ranging as high as $10 a scalp for these pests, with additional bounties offered by sheep and cattle men, which vary from $20 to $40.

Ground squirrels, too, are legitimate prey, and to the crack shot might offer a living in certain counties where bounties of from 3 to 5 cents are offered.

The State Fish and Game Commission has just compiled a list of counties, showing which pay bounties and the amounts paid. Though not yet complete, most of the counties of the State have filed their reports with the Commission. The list follows:

Sutter County—Coyotes, $5 each.

Shasta County—Mountain lions, $5; coyotes, $2.50.

Yuba County—Coyotes, $5.

Yolo County—Coyotes, over four months old, $10; under four months, $5.

Tehama County—Coyotes, $2.50; wildcats, $1.

Kern County—Mountain lions, $5.

Colusa County—Mountain lions, $5; coyotes, $5; coyote pups, $2.50; swift fox, $2.50.

Solano County—Coyotes, $10.

Tulare County—Coyotes, $2 in December, January and February; ground squirrels, 3 cents each.

Madera County—Coyotes, $1.50.

Merced County—Coyotes, $2.

Butte County—Coyotes, $3.

San Luis Obispo County—Ground squirrels, 5 cents each; coyotes, $2.

Humboldt County—Coyotes, $8.

Lake County—Coyotes, $5.

Sonoma County—Coyotes, $5.

Napa County—Coyotes, $10.

Trinity County—Coyotes, $3.

Nevada County—Coyotes, $2.50.

Mendocino County—Coyotes, $6. In some districts sheepmen pay as high as $40 a scalp for coyotes.

Mariposa County—Coyotes, $1.50; wildcats, $1.

At the time this list was compiled, Alpine, Calaveras, Del Norte, Glenn, Modoc, Santa Barbara, Siskiyou and Tuolumne counties had not been heard from. Some of these are known to pay liberal bounties, while others pay none. The counties not mentioned pay no bounties.

STATE TO DESTROY BIRD PEST.

The Fish and Game Commission, to which is delegated the function of protecting and preserving the wild life of the State, has declared war on the English Sparrow. Throughout the United States this bird has proved to be a pest and many eastern cities have waged war against it for many years past. Here in California, as elsewhere, the English sparrow is not only filthy in its habits and destructive to crops, but in addition drives out the native insectivorous and song birds which are beneficial to man's interests. The campaign to be instituted by the Commission will probably constitute the first united effort toward this end to be made by State in the Union. A leaflet giving methods of identifying English sparrows and means of destroying them will soon be issued. In addition a statewide campaign of publicity will be undertaken to encourage a united effort to rid California of this bird pest. A week will be set aside during which everyone will be asked to co-operate in the destruction of sparrows and all of the deputies of the Fish and Game Commission will be set to work killing sparrows and directing others in the work.

TACOMA FLY-CASTING TOURNEY.

The weather man favored the Tacoma Bait and Fly Casting Club on April 30th by giving ideal weather for the first formal event of the season. About 15 members of the club were present and took part in five bait events and two fly casting events, which aroused considerable enthusiasm both among the members and a large audience of friends.

R. B. Nason, the club's president, showed good form for the first of the season by winning both quarter-ounce events. William J. Bailey, captain, carried off the honors in the half-ounce distance event with the creditable average of 127 feet 9 inches. B. B. Perrow, vice-president of the club, won the half-ounce salmon event with a single cast of 152 feet 8 inches.

The management of the club is very anxious that all of those interested in the game communicate with the secretary, H. J. Nason, at 302 Equitable Building, within the next two weeks, in order to take part in the club series. The full scores follow:

Quarter-ounce Accuracy, Percentage—R. B. Nason 96.0, William J. Bailey 94.3, Dr. R. Hutchison 93.0, H. J. Nason 91.9, C. R. Werner 88.1, D. E. Gilkey 87.0, Carl Coon 80.1, J. H. Purdy 78.6, J. D. Kalb 77.1.

Half-ounce Accuracy—C. R. Werner 97.7, William J. Bailey 96.9, B. B. Perrow 95.8, R. B. Nason 95.6, Dr. R. Hutchison 95.1, H. J. Nason 93.6, Carl Coon 92.5, W. L. Richards 86.9, D. E. Gilkey 77.9, J. H. Purdy 70.0.

Quarter-ounce Distance Bait—R. B. Nason, 97 feet 7 2-5 inches; H. J. Nason 89:8 25, Dr. R. Hutchison 57:9 3-5, C. R. Werner 49:6, William J. Bailey 41:1 1-5, D. E. Gilkey 30:4 4-5, Carl Coon 27:7 1-5.

Half-ounce Distance Bait—William J. Bailey, 127 feet 9 inches; C. R. Werner 109: 2-5, B. B. Perrow 99:6 2-5, H. J. Nason 82:3 4-5, W. L. Richards 74:1 1-5, Dr. R. Hutchison 72: 2-5, Carl Coon 52:7 1-5, D. E. Gilkey 43:7 1-5.

Half-ounce Salmon Bait—Won by B. B. Perrow, 152 feet 8 inches.

Heavy Tackle Accuracy Fly, percentage—Dr. R. Hutchison 95.60, B. B. Perrow 89.06, W. C. Phinny 89.05, C. R. Werner 89.03, J. H. Purdy 87.07.

Light Tackle Accuracy Fly—W. C. Phinny 98.08, B. B. Perrow 98.07, Dr. R. Hutchison 98.06, C. R. Werner 98.06, J. D. Thompson 98.04, William J. Bailey 97.02, Ralph Vanderkinter 96.11.

DU PONT CARDS BEGINNERS' DAY SHOOT.

The Du Pont Company of Wilmington, Delaware, has decided to hold another Beginners' Day Shoot. Clubs may hold their Beginners' Shoots any time during the month of June.

The rules for this year's event are somewhat different from last year, in that a beginner is classed as anyone who has shot at less than 500 targets prior to May 1st. This enables any one who has not shot at over 500 targets to shoot up to that number by May 1st, and to shoot as many as he wishes after that date. Permission to practice for the Beginners' Day program was thought advisable because it will tend to keep a prospect interested.

The event calls for 25 targets, and a sterling silver watch fob showing a shooter in shooting positios will be donated to each club holding a Beginners' Shoot, and they in turn will give it to the man making the best score.

A sterling silver spoon will be donated to the club having five ladies participating, same to be awarded to the lady with the best score.

While practically all clubs will hold Beginners' Shoots in June, one can be held later if absolutely necessary.

Great interest is being taken in this year's Beginners' Day. Club secretaries, prominent trapshooters and dealers and jobbers are boosting the affair. The sociability connected with such shoots is a great factor. On such occasions the trapshooter can bring to the club his closest friend, knowing that on that day above all others, he will not feel timid.

Last year's records show that 6,784 men and 522 fomen participated in Beginners' Day Shoots. From present indications this year's event will be the biggest thing of its kind ever held.

The Du Pont Company mill furnish any one who is interested with full particulars.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

FISH LINES FROM THE SOUTH.

While Southland pin-fishermen were salmon-egging the 1916 crop of trout to their doom the last few days, the "regular" anglers were not by any means idle. Two season's record fish were caught at Catalina—one, a yellowtail, weighing 28¼ pounds, being brought to gaff by Dr. W. E. Sawyer, and the other, a 16-pound bonita, being placed to the credit of William Farnum.

The bonita, in addition to being the largest of the winter angling season, is the largest that has been taken for several years in Southern California waters, though they run up to thirty pounds in Hawaiian waters.

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John Beckwith and Jack Irwin trawled out of San Pedro last Sunday and landed fourteen barracuda and thirty rock bass. Mr. Beckwith reported the ocean to bealive with yellowtail and that they were feeding at the surface, but would not pay any attention to any of the many different lines that he offered.

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John Schott and Bert Fry trekked to Agra on Sunday and after a strenuous climb to arrive at the right spot were rewarded with some very good fishing—while it lasted. Schott landed a four and one-half pound croaker, one yellowfin, one China croaker and two corbina. Fry caught a three-pound China croaker.

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A new species of tuna, at least new to these waters, was brought to gaff by James W. Pump in his recent Hawaiian trip. It is known to science as the "Tuna Sibi," and has a shape and coloring similar to the bluefin, but with the anal and second dorsal fins greatly elongated. This gives the tuna sibi a speedy, streamline appearance which is borne out in fact by the long, fast runs he makes when hooked, only a small percentage of those that are fastened ever being brought to gaff.

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Exceptionally good fishing is reported by the Ocean Shore Railroad on its five creeks, the Purissima, Lobitos, Tunitas, San Gregorio and Pescadero. The five streams were well stocked last year with more than 300,000 young fish and it is said that the fish in the creeks are larger than in almost any other section of the State. Purissima Creek is 34 miles from this city and the Pescadero is 54 miles; the other three creeks lie between.

GOOD FISHING AT BEAR VALLEY.

Opening week at Bear Valley was the best since the lake was stocked with trout, according to information received here. Both the lake and stream fishing were excellent. Bear Creek and Van Duzen Creek abound with good pools, which are filled with large trout.

Feminine anglers have established quite a record in the valley during the week. One party, consisting of Mrs. E. M. Dickey, Mrs. A. H. White, Mrs. Charles White and Mrs. Russell McD. Taylor of Los Angeles, caught limits every day they were at the lake.

Those at Pine Knot Lodge who reported limit catches included A. S. (Duffy) Swartz and Walter Leeds of Los Angeles, Mrs. E. M. Dickey, Mrs. A. H. White, Mrs. Charles White and Mrs. Russell McD. Taylor of Los Angeles; Charles Hastings of New York, Fred W. Sewell and J. L. Burley of Los Angeles, Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Frost and Mrs. W. L. Porter and daughter of Boston, Charles Phillips, J. L. Alabastor and H. F. Groat of Riverside and Dr. Clarence Moore of Los Angeles and party of five.

James J. Jeffries, Si Myrick, Clarence Kolb and Mel Nordlinger, who spent the week at Knight's Camp, returned to Los Angeles Saturday after getting limit catches every day. Others who reported limit catches at Knight's Camp included Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cathcart, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Monahan, Jack Lankershim and Mrs. C. N. Goodhue of Los Angeles, Dr. George Holcomb and party of Los Angeles, Tom Nicholson and party, Charles Reed and party, W. N. Palmer and party, William Gunnisan and many others.

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Try This System.—The women of Samoa often fish in the sea without nets, boats or hooks. They simply wade into the water and form themselves into a ring. The fishes being so plentiful, they are almost sure to have imprisoned some in the ring. These women are very quick and active, and every time they catch a fish with their hands they simply throw it alive into the basket on their back.—Exchange.

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G. F. Putnam, P. H. Gaumitz, E. C. Butler and L. L. Neal, all of Hoquiam, Wash., recently made what is said to be the largest single day's rod catch of fresh water fish ever made in that vicinity. They took twenty-two Dolly Varden trout, totaling 105 pounds, in five hours' fishing at Lake Queniult. Mr. Putnam caught the largest fish, which was twenty-seven inches in length and weighed eight and one-half pounds. The anglers used light fly rods.

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John Meeter, Cecil Buckley and Eddie Pepper had a good fishing trip in the Gabilans. They fished in the waters of Bardin Creek with considerable success. Pepper got the largest basket—40 trout. Buckley landed 25 and Meeker 15. The boys left Hollister at midnight in a buggy, reaching their destination at 6 in the morning.

Championship Trap Shoots on The Tapis

COAST BLUE ROCK BUSTERS GETTING READY FOR ATTRACTIVE EVENTS

San Jose Club.—As a preliminary to the California-Nevada tournament at San Jose, on May 28, 29, 30 and 31, there will be a team match on Sunday, May 14th. The Golden Gate Club and Family Club of San Francisco, Modesto and the San Jose Club will meet in competition and the squad with the lowest score will have to foot the bill for dinner for the whole party. A royal good time is expected.

The Family Club is going to have two teams. Such crack shots as H. O. Harrison, Dr. C. D. McGettigan, H. Brickell, W. H. Landry, E. R. Diamond, Colonel Dorsey, William H. Sanborn, Frederick K. Burnham, Joseph Holmes and John C. Brickell will call "pull" for the club. The Golden Gaters will have Toney Prior, N. A. Howard, Barney Worthen, W. J. Terry and Andy Flickinger on the firing line. The San Jose standbys will be O. N. Ford, Charles H. Nash, Dr. A. M. Barker, A. F. Baumgartner and George H. Anderson. Modesto can be counted on for a strong aggregation.

The five-men team competition will give the powder burners some practice over the grounds where the California-Nevada state championship event will be shot. A number of other out-of-town visitors are expected to put in an appearance to sight the blue rocks.

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Pastime Club.—High gun honors at the opening of the Pastime Gun Club's tournament on May 4th were divided by Dick Reed of San Francisco and R. J. Morse of Chicago. They quit with 93x100. Scores of 100 targets were:

Morse 93, Reed 93, Mellus 91, A. Julian 88, Holohan 88, Justins 87, Barber 85, Mullen 84, Mitchell 83, Beckwith 83, A. L. Cook 80, Mrs. C. E. Groat 80, C. A. Haight 80, C. Julian 78, Groat 77, Cline 77, Hoyt 75, Dunn 70, Oliver 63. Other scores were: Vories70x80, Drummond 51x60, Rossbach 44x60, Gray 44x60, Baldwin 21x60, W. Y. Wetzell 32x45, Kelly 28x40.

Along about quitting time one of the hired hands in Secretary Millison's office announced that a husky from San Diego named Julie Weisser had won amateur high average for the second day and that the kaisermen also had pinched the $25 bank account given by President E. M. Barber of Clan Pastime.

The merchandise prizes were won as follows:

Mellus, Remington rifle; Vories, auto stove; Justins, $5 laundry account; Weisser, the Frank Greene special prize; Morse, stein; Dr. Fuller, ukelele; Mullin, silver buckle belt; Pfirrmann, aluminum roaster; Mrs. C. E. Groat, toilet set; Lee Couts, sweater; Hinckley, hat; Stanton Bruner, box cigars, and O. N. Ford, pair shoes.

Professional high average was won by Len Hawxhurst, who carded 194x200. Dick Reed and Ed Mitchell tied for second high with 191x200. These men are with the Peters, Remington and Selby ammunition companies, respectively.

Mrs. C. E. Groat of Los Angeles made a record for herself by breaking 90x100. Mrs. Groat is touted as the greatest amateur woman trapshot in America today. In the merchandise shoot-off to break the 23-tie, Mrs. Groat defeated a squad of good ones in O. N. Ford, Hip Justins, Archie Julian, Jack Merrill and H. M. Williams, the sailorman, and she did it with 9 straight.

Class shooting, percentage system, 10 events of 20 birds each—scores:

Mitchell 191, Mellus 189, Pfirrmann 186, Mullen 175, Vories 185, Ford 189, Hawxhurst 194, Anderson 165, Reed 191, S. A. Bruner 188, Holohan 180, Fuller 180, Cline 165, Beckwith 178, Barber 173, A. Julian 182, Sargent 179, C. Julian 159, Merrill 179, Morse 181, Walsh 144, Rossbach 164, Haight 179, Justins 171, Hoyt 148, Couts 174, Cook 183, Oliver 131, Arneill 172, Weisser 191, Williams 184, Dunn 184, A. W. Bruner 164, Mrs. Groat 175, C. E. Groat 170, Mrs. Pfirrmann 82, Burns 88.

The feature of getaway day at the Pastime Club's trap tournament on Saturday was the high wind that swept over the traps. The dirtbirds took to the going with little regard for trap reputations and the result was that long runs and classy scores were rather minus. High gun honors for the tournament, among the amateurs, were divided by Julie Weisser of San Diego and Heinie Pfirrmann of Los Angeles, with scores of 377x400. Frank Mellus was second with 376x400. The two Dutchmen had the British stock on the run both days and cinched the tournament glory under wraps.

Among the professionals Len Hawxhurst of the Peters Cartridge Company won rather easily, 386x400. Dick Reed, Remington-UMC expert, 373x400, and Guy Holohan of the DuPont squad, 359x400, were next up.

Long runs were made by Ed Mitchell, 51; Julie Weisser, 67; Frank Mellus, 71* Len Hawxhurst, 59. Which would indicate that the sea breeze would not be denied.

The diamond medal event saw Los Angeles and San Diego blazing to break a tie. Joe Hinckley of the Pastimers and W. A. Cornelius, an Angel City revenue man, tied with 46 each. On the shoot-off at 25 birds Joe had his man four down, at one stage of the game, and then "Cousin Joe" towered worse than the tarhawks, dropping five and losing the fine trophy. Cornelius was mighty lucky.

COMING REGISTERED TOURNAMENTS.

California.

Alameda, May 20—Golden Gate Club, Clarence A. Haight, Secretary.

San Jose, May 28, 29, 30—California-Nevada Association Tournament, San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

Eureka, July 4—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President.

Oregon.

Portland, June 5, 6, 7—Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, Frank Templeton, Secretary.

Portland, Sept. 12, 13, 14—Pacific Coast Handicap.

Washington.

Seattle, May 23, 24.—Washington State tourney, Seattle, Association.

Chehalis, May 30—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, Gus T. Thacker, President.

Seattle, July 4—"Old Policy," Green Lake Gun Club, W. C. Smith, Secretary

Tacoma, July 18, 19, 20, 21—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary.

In the added event H. E. Sargent's "handsome trophy" proved to be a grand new $10 gold piece, to which the gun club added $10, in the event at doubles. Foster Couts won this with 25 in 15 pairs, Heinie Pfirrmann second with 21.

Mrs. C. E. Groat laced two points of a 90 per cent clip at 200 targets, and considering the shooting conditions her work was remarkably good. Mrs. Ad Topperwein, the great professional, could have bettered the fair Angeleno's score. The scores follow. At 200 targets:—

Hawxhurst 192, Mitchell 164, Mellus 187, Pfirrmann 191, Mullen 168, Vories 178, Ford 183, Andrews 178, Reed 182, S. A. Bruner 177, Holohan 179, Fuller 182, Harry Cline 166, Beckwith 184, Barber 150, A. Julian 183, Sargent 165, C. Julian 164, Merrill 164, Williams 187, Walsh 159, Rossbach 159, Haight 175, Mrs. Pfirrmann 97x150, Hoyt 143, Lee Couts 178, Cook 168, Oliver 160, Arneil 158, Weisser 186, Andrews 163, A. W. Bruner 153, Mrs. C. E. Groat 176, Groat 72x100, Hinckley 167, Willie Wetzell 150, Cornelius 178, Grewell 122x140.

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Oakland Elks.—The Oakland Elks' Gun Club were at the traps in Alameda on Sunday for their second monthly shoot. W. J. Terry came through high gun with the creditable score of 49 out of 50. H. Havens was close behind and Barney Worthen, H. Lorenson, N. A. Howard and F. Blum sighted well.

The Alameda Elks will hold the center of the stage tomorrow and with many of the local powder-burners home from participating in outside tournaments, quite a gathering is expected. The scores were, 50 targets:—

W. J. Terry 49, N. A. Howard 42, H. Havens 48, B. Worthen 45, H. C. Peet 41, W. H. Price 39, H. Lorenson 45, L. Tesio 34, F. Miller 30, Dr. Pruett 8, *J. W. F. Moore 26, M. S. Goodman 41, *F. Blum 42, *L. Middleton 29, "Pop" Merrill 33, F. M. Carter 37, L. E. Carter 30, Martini 35, Al Durney 30, Higby 28, Dr. Hamlin 33, C. D. Hamlin Jr. 27, George Feldman 33, E. Korn 37, A. B. Jordon 23, *H. Tuscott 20.

*Professionals.

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Shoot at Woodbridge.—The trigger pullers had a good meet at Woodbridge last Sunday. Stockton gunners were well represented. The following are the scores, made on fifty birds—

H. G. Balkwill 48, L. Woods 46, M. Leffler 45, F. Sollars 40, George Ellis 39, H. Lonjers 39, R. Buckingham 38, R. McCoy 38, W. Garrison 41, J. R. Ross 40, L. Jackson 37, H. J. Lockey 34, Dr. S. F. Priestley 33, A. Covell 33, E. Shinn 26, O. S. Neuman 25, B. Woods 24.

Next Sunday the Woodbridge and Modesto Gun Club members will visit the Stockton Gun Club quarters which have recently been remodeled.

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Vernon Club.—Although a number of the local blue rock busters remained over night at San Diego, a good percentage of the Vernonite cracks turned up Sunday to compete in the George T. Cline handicap, staged by the Vernon Gun Club.

The Los Angeles Gun Club also had a fairly good crowd at the regular Sunday morning shoot. F. Free accomplished high gun honors, breaking 109x125. Other scores made were: Frank H. Nichols, 24x25, Charlie Nichols 23x25, Rowe 51x75, Louis Mellus 65x75, and George Melford 43x50.

C. E. Groat, president of the Vernon Gun Club, won his first leg on the Cline trophy with the good score of 48x50 from sixteen yards. Groat, accompanied by his wife and son, left San Diego in the afternoon and, considering the hard drive for one-third of the distance back, his 48x50 score is remarkable. He broke 47 out of 50 in the W. H. Hoegee trophy contest from the same distance, making a total of 95 out of 100. He popped 17x25 in the 20-gauge competition.

Twenty-two shooters competed in Vernon. Dierdoff broke high in the Hoegee shoot with 49 dead targets out of the half century.

Mrs. Groat tied her husband for high amateur average for the day with 95x100. Mrs. Groat made some excellent scores at the San Diego tournament.

L. M. Hawxhurst, the Peters professional from San Diego, hung high professional score with 97 out of 100. He broke 49x50 from twenty yards and 48 out of 50 from nineteen yards. He was the high gun over all at the San Diego shoot.

The 20-gauge cracks were led by Fish. His score was 22x25. He also hung up the good score of 47x50 with a 20-gauge in the Hoegee competition.

George T. Cline handicap—

	Hdcp.	Score
Council	17	46x50
Manderville	16	41x50
R. L. Hall	16	40x50
Rause	16	39x50
Smith	16	42x50
Reid	16	41x50
C. E. Groat	16	48x50
Mrs. Groat	17	47x50
Fish	16	47x50
Hawxhurst	20	49x50
A. W. Bruner	16	43x50
Dr. Packard	20	47x50
Pugh	18	42x50
Meek	17	43x50
White	18	45x50
Van Ness	16	38x50

William H. Hoegee handicap—

	Hdcp.	Score
Council	17	43x50
Manderville	16	44x50
Rause	16	38x40
C. E. Groat	16	48x50
Mrs. Groat	17	48x50
C. W. Fish	16	47x50
Hawxhurst	20	48x50
A. W. Bruner	16	44x50
Dr. Packard	20	48x50
Bill Pugh	18	47x50
Meek	17	48x50
Greenfield	16	40x50
White	18	46x50
Dierdoff	17	49x50

Twenty-gauge competition, 20 targets—

C. E. Groat 17, C. W. Fish 22, Hawxhurst 18, Hedderly 19, Kimble 13.

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Salt Lake Club.—Bert Bain again placed his name on the cup at the traps on April 30th by defeating a field of about twenty shooters. A high wind which began shortly after the shooting started made a difference in the scores, and several of the boys who started out strong soon fell by the wayside.

The complete standing of the boys who are competing in the marchandise shoot, which has been running several weeks, is as follows: Bishop 30, Bain 28, Tingey 22, Heagren 20, Mitchell 20, Bray 19, Reilley 19, Klein 18, Fisher 17, Moffatt 17.

The scores for April 30th were as follows:

Moffatt	46	2	48
Becker	46	..	46
Tingey	45	2	47
Reilley	45	..	45
Bain	45	4	49
Stoney	43	..	43
Bishop	42	1	43
Klein	41	3	44
Fisher	39	3	41
Edmunds	38	8	46
Mitchell	22	2	40
Bray	37	5	42
Palm	35	7	42
Galligher	34	4	38
Engles	30	9	39
Springer	17	..	17
*Bert Brown	10	3	13
*Cummings	48	..	48
*Hood	45	..	45

*Professional.

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Green Lake Club.—C. E. McKelvey turned in the high score on April 30th at the Green Lake Gun Club with forty-six out of his fifty, while L. S. Barnes and E. K. van Vleck tied for second honors with forty-five. Van Vleck was shooting his new Ithaca trap gun for the first time and can feel proud of his score of forty-five.

McKelvey, who had shot earlier in the day at Harbor Island, arrived at the Green Lake traps rather late, but is laying claim to the road record between the two trap grounds, while "Dusty" Rhodes and G. A. Conklin are willing to swear that he saved considerable money by not meeting a speed cop on the way.

The scores, at 50 targets:—

C. E. McKelvey 46, L. S. Barnes 45, E. K. van Vleck 45, Don R. Baker 44, W. C. Smith 44, *D. Rhodes 44, G. A. Conklin 42, George B. Baker 41, C. B. Fitzgerald 41, Dr. J. F. Hill 41, E. R. Bacon 40, J. W. Geltz 40, Dr. M. A. Winningham 40, Gus Peterson 39, S. A. Martin 38, Hi Follrich 38, George D. Horst 38, Fred Pries 37, Dr. A. B. Kidd 35, Dr. R. V. Mills 35, Dr. S. W. Case 32, Dr. S. W. Giffin 29, S. E. Bacon 29, R. W. Brehm 29, L. A. Taylor 27, George O. Colwell 23, Dr. C. H. Will 21. (*Professional.)

Sportsmen's Row

Dr. Henry Abrahm of San Francisco is one of the devotees of the rod and gun. He never misses an opportunity of getting out to a stream or on hill or dell during the season. Together with Henry Kleversahl he made an interesting trip to the headwaters of the Garcia river. The trip was made by automobile and conditions were found ideal for fly-fishing. March brown and gray hackle with yellow body were the best killers for limit baskets.

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Carl Westerfeld, the Fish and Game Commissioner for the San Francisco district, fished Coyote Creek last week with Steve Hauser and John C. Piver and managed to land about fifty trout. There was a big delegation of anglers in that district.

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Did you notice what Dick Reed did in Los Angeles? Stationed away back on the 22-yard mark he cracked fifty out of fifty. He was high professional with 290 out of 300.

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O. N. Ford is beginning to hit his true form. He distinguished himself by taking the Los Angeles championship with a score of 95x100.

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How would you like to go fishing and while catching the limit, pick up a number of gold nuggets weighing from $5 to $25 apiece? Kind of pleasant, eh? Well, that's what they say James C. Stinnett did last Sunday while trying his luck on the East Branch of the Feather River about half a mile above Rich, formerly known as Rich Bar. He got the limit of trout, too. Great "Fisherman's Luck."

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The San Francisco Fly-Casting Club has a tournament scheduled for Stow Lake on Saturday and Sunday. The local casters have been breaking records right and left this season.

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Trapshooting minus an arm holds no discomforts for George W. Maxwell of Hastings, Neb. He is not only able to better the 90 per cent mark annually, but is rated one of the best shots in America at the doubles. He controls his gun with his right arm, the left being cut off at the shoulder. During the year 1913 Maxwell shot at 5000 targets and scored an average of 93 per cent. In 1914 he shot at 5325 targets, earning an average of 95 per cent.

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J. M. Walker won the championship of Oklahoma in the State tournament, breaking 94 out of 100 thrown targets. Tulsa, Okla., will conduct the 1917 championship shoot.

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Toledo, Ohio, announces that it desires the 1917 Grand American Handicap. There is nothing like making the announcement early so that the Interstate Association will know who is interested.

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H. R. Everding, ex-president of the Portland Gun Club, who was operated on last month, is gradually getting back his old-time strength. He has planned on leaving for Shipherd's Springs.

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Albany, Oregon, will be the mecca of Portland trapshooters next week. The annual state tourney for 1915 is to be under the auspices of the Albany Rod and Gun Club May 15 and 16. The winner of the main event represents Oregon at the Grand American Handicap, this year slated for St. Louis, Mo. Two or three squads from the Portland Gun Club are considering taking in the events.

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C. E. McKelvey, president of the Seattle, Wash., Gun Club and Trapshooters' Association, has sent invitations asking for representatives to attend the shoot May 22, 23 and 24. The Washington state championship will be held on May 24th.

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The Family Club, one of the exclusive social organizations of San Francisco, is strong for the "sport alluring." The club has a beautiful trap shooting grounds down on the "farm" on the peninsular, and the crack shots keep their hand in there. The Family boys will have two squads in the team match at San Jose tomorrow.

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J. S. Hunter, assistant executive officer of the Fish and Game Commission, and A. D. Ferguson, field agent, are on a tour of inspection down through the San Joaquin district.

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K. E. Feusie showed H. C. Golcher a fine limit basket of trout he took in Alameda county last Sunday. He was accompanied on the trip by C. M. Courtwright and Bob Marple.

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J. G. Hoopes, a young settler of the Viewpoint vicinity, arrived in Lakeview, Oregon, recently with 20 coyote and 10 wildcat pelts strapped on his back, for which he received $100 in bounties. Hoopes at once started to make arrangements for the sale of the pelts. Present quotations show coyote pelts are worth $8 each and a wildcat pelt sells for $3, making a total of $280 returned from his side-line of three months.

TRAP-SHOOTING IS PROVING ATTRACTIVE SPORT FOR THE LADIES



It is one competition where the fair sex can hold their own against the men. There are a number of lady shots on the Pacific Coast who are making names for themselves as blue rock busters. The squad pictured here is evidence that the presence of women in the game add beauty and class to the "sport alluring."

SONG-BIRDS ARE KILLED.

A number of flagrant violations of the law protecting the song-birds of the State have taken place this winter. Convictions have been obtained in practically every case. Between December 1 and March 1, sixty-five arrests were made and $793.50 in fines imposed. A large proportion of the hunters arrested were Italians who had been shooting robins. Forty-eight robins, a red-shafted flicker, and a California towhee were taken from two men who had been hunting in Contra Costa county, and twenty-eight robins, ready to be roasted, were confiscated from two men in Sacramento.—Fish and Game Commission.

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Astoria Club—Seventeen members of the Astoria Rod and Gun Club participated in the semi-weekly shoot at the port docks. Dr. Vaughn, who has only recently started shooting at the traps, led the shooting, breaking 19 out of 25 targets. Charles Halderman, Charles Anet and Charles Burlingame took second honors with 18, and Allan Fulton and S. S. Sovey third with 17.

Following are the percentages of the shoot: Dr. Vaughn .760, Charles Halderman .720, Chas. Anet .720, Charles Burlingame .720, A. C. Fulton and S. S. Sovey .680, Dr. Casey and W. N. Ford .640, E. C. Judd .600, Sherman Lovell and Dr. Forsstrom .560, Capt. Tonneson .520, Dr. Logan and W. A. Harrison .480, A. W. Kinney .320, Norris Staples, Dr. Hartman and Ben Hay, .160.

In the doubles the percentages were: Charles Burlingame and W. A. Harrison, .520; Ben Hay, .480, Dr. Forsstrom and W. N. Ford, .440.

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Portland Club.—Abner Blair won the Dupont trophy on April 30th at the Everding Park traps of the Portland Gun Club by breaking 94 per cent of the bluerocks released for him. Four nimrods recorded points on the Imperial Hotel diamond medal, all making 25. They are: Archie Parrott, W. C. Bristol with 20-gauge gun, James Morris and Al Seguin.

The annual tournament of the Northwest Sportsmen's Trapshooting Association will be held under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club next month during the Rose Festival and A. W. Strowger, president of the club, is making an active campaign to have the largest attendance in the history of the tourney when the first bird is sent from the trap-house, June 5th.

H. R. Everding, former president of the Portland Gun Club, who was operated on recently by Dr. Sandford Whiting at Good Samaritan Hospital, expects to leave the hospital this week for Shipherds Springs, Wash., where he will remain for several weeks. He plans to return in time to witness the Northwest shoot June 4-7.

Following are the Sunday scores:

John T. Murphy 82, J. G. Clewson 83, H. A. Pollock 93, H. L. Streeter 87, A. Blair 94, A. Seguin 93, J. S. Crane 83, A. W. Strowger 83, George Butz 86, James Morris 87, E. B. Van Arnam 88, W. C. Bristol 79, J. Ball 93, C. C. Kelly 82, E. H. Keller 92, F. Randall 70, A. L. Zichrisson 84, P. J. Holohan 92, A. G. Mayers 78, A. Parrott 84, J. L. Bitts 42, Miss R. Bitts 43, O. D. Thornton 90 and M. Jensen 66.

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Tacoma Club.—The Tacoma Gun Club held its regular shoot at Manito on April 30. Dave Bales won the Majestic Cafe trophy. J. Cooper won the L. S. Mellinger gold medal. Dague, L. Riehl and J. Cooper were all tied for high average on the Everding diamond pin. J. A. Dague won the white flyer fob. J. Cooper won the high average on the Dupont trophy. Fred Griffin and J. Cooper were tied for high average on the Hercules powder trophy. J. A. Dague won the challenge cup after a shoot off with A. Riehl, J. Cooper, Dave Bales and Young.

There were no spoons won, as no one was able to break 25 straight. The following scores were made out of 100 birds for the Majestic Cafe trophy:—

	Broke.	Hdcp.	Ttl.
J. Cooper	90	5	95
Campbell	87	4	91
L. Riehl	87	1	88
Griffin	85	6	91
Bales	85	11	96
A. Riehl	85	5	90
Dague	84	2	86
Young	81	7	88

The following scores were made on the L. S. Mellinger medal out of 50 birds:—

	Broke.	Hdcp.	Ttl.
J. Cooper	46	4	50
Dague	46	3	49
Young	40	9	49
L. Riehl	46	2	48
Campbell	45	3	48
Griffin	43	3	46
Bales	41	5	46
A. Riehl	44	1	45

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Seattle Association.—With good weather favoring the bunch and the State Tournament approaching, a record crowd of shooters turned out for the regular program shoot of the Seattle Trapshooters' Ass'n.

Les. Reid was high professional and also scored high for the day, hitting a pace of 49 out of 50 and 99 out of 100 targets. Hugh Fleming ran high amateur, marking up 48, and 95 out of 100 targets.

R. S. Searle, Matt Grossman, C. E. McKelvey and Deskin Reid all four shooters ranked in second place with 46 to their credit.

The State Tournament, which is to be held on the Harbor Island grounds, is creating considerable interest this season and the largest crowd of out-of-town shooters ever assembled is expected to be in the line-up.

H. C. Kirkland, of Leavenworth, Wash., shot with the club. Kirkland stated that the "sport alluring" was going strong over in his section.

H. W. Bunker, D. R. McDonald and O. E. Evans shot with the club for the first time. Fred Sumner showed up and did his first shooting of the season. Dr. Grant and Dr. T. R. Clark came out late in the program, but shot enough to show that they had not lost their old form.

Several of the fair sex graced the spectators' seats among whom were Miss Fish, Mrs. Root, Mrs. E. A. Fry and Mrs. Virgil Piper.

The scores, at 50 targets—

*L. H. Reid 49, Hugh Fleming 48, Matt Grossman 46, C. E. McKelvey 46, R. S. Searle 46, *D. Rhodes 44, G. H. Young 44, Ralph Kinzer 43, Tom Wilkes 43, Joe Bacher 42, C. R. Sydman 42, J. H. Wilman 41, H. W. Bunker 41, J. M. Valentine 41, J. H. Hopkins 40, Fred Sumner 40, Fred Landwehr 40, William Schilpin 37, Robert Tyler 37, H. C. Kirkland 37, S. Burt 37, John Considine 36, G. A. Conklin 36, W. B. Taft 35, Mr. Steel 35, J. V. Hough 35, F. Soergel 33, C. W. Bandy 29. D. R. McDonald 26, Deskin Reid 46.

100 targets—*L. H. Reid 99, Hugh Fleming 95, Matt Grossman 91, *D. Rhodes 91, Deskin Reid 91, C. E. McKelvey 89, Tom Wilkes 88, Joe Bacher 87, Ralph Kinzer 87, Fred Landwehr 84, G. A. Conklin 82, Fred Sumner 81, W. B. Taft 79, John Considine 79, J. H. Hopkins 77, Mr. Steel 77, J. H. Wilman 75, J. M. Valentine 74, J. V. Hough 73, H. W. Bunker 69, C. W. Bandy 66, D. R. McDonald 54. (*Professional.)

O. E. Evans, Dr. T. R. Clark and Dr. Grant did not shoot in the regular program. E. A. FRY.

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SkyKomish Club.—The members of the Skykomish Gun Club enjoyed a pleasant program at their club grounds on April 30th. The scores:

Williams 70, Hinebaugh 71, Fournier 68, Farr 63, Henry 41, Hove 45, Rohde 39, Brodburn 42, McAvoy 35, Dean 20.

MOUNTAIN QUAIL PROSPERING.

W. J. Moore, the fish and game deputy at Napa, makes the report that there are plenty of quail left in his district and that they are prospering. John Terra of Akell Ranch has four flocks of mountain quail and they are doing nicely. During the past winter Terra killed 21 foxes, seven coyotes, and skunks and coons galore. He has realized something like $300 through trapping the animals. No rain has fallen in Napa and the streams are accordingly low with trout fishing not the best.

J. E. Newsame of Newman says that fishing is pretty good in his district and E. W. Smalley of Hanford reports good catches. Paul Smith of Guerneville found but few limits during the opening week of the season. Henry Lenciono of Santa Rosa writes that Austin Creek provided a number of limits.

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Proposes Feeding Stations.—J. W. Jameson of Dutch Rock has written to the Fish and Game Commission, proposing that feeding stations be set up and maintained in the Sierras for the protection and welfare of wild game. He wants two-story sheds with racks of alfalfa for the deer and grain for quail. A plan may be worked out next season to assist the game in finding food when the snow falls.

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Open McCloud's River—Anglers and sportsmen in the northern section of the State have not given up their fight for the opening of a passage way onto the McCloud river for fishing purposes. The Siskiyou County Sportsmen's Association recently held a meeting to discuss ways and means of opening up the stream to the public. The land is privately owned and the public has been prohibited from fishing one of the finest streams any place in the country.

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Loses License In Wind—J. E. Perrot of Filmore, Ventura county, has a hard-luck story to tell about the opening of the trout season. He was out on his favorite stream when along came a deputy who wanted to look over his license. Perrot knew the law and promptly obeyed. While passing over the license to deputy A. H. Brown a gust of wind carried it into the Mendota Dam and along with it Perrot's hat. Both were lost and Perrot says that the next time he goes fishing he is going to have a string on both his hat and license.

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Snow In Sierras.—A fall of snow in the Sierras last Saturday is reported to have taken place. This will be bad news to the anglers who were looking forward to getting off the ground the heavy fall that took place last winter. It was not heavy and will likely not interfere with the sport to any material degree. Still, it is figured that it will take until June before all of the snow runs off in the mountainous country.

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High water in the San Joaquin river is still a detriment to the making of good catches, according to Fresno fishermen. Good results have been reported from the North Fork and Big Creek regions and other mountain points. Bass fishing is good at Shaver Lake and also at the California Hot Springs in Tulare county. The high water also is holding back the season for sale and striped bass in the rivers. Should the cool weather continue for a few days the catches should be good at Mendota dam. Excellent fishing for the summer is expected back in the mountains, where the trout anglers will be unusually successful this year, according to predictions.

MARIN COUNTY KENNEL SHOW

The Marin County Kennel Club will hold its annual show in Mill Valley on Decoration Day, May 30th. Indications are that about 100 dogs will be on exhibition. Sam Crabtree, of Failsworth, England, will judge all breeds excepting Boston terriers. It has not been decided as yet who will pass on the latter breed.

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Mrs. Jack Bradshaw's crack brace of Sealyham terriers, Bromley Star and Bromley Yixon, who attracted considerable attention at the recent Golden Gate show, will be shown over the Southern circuit this summer. Both dogs are well known in England, having won at several large shows.

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Hal Walker has decided to take an Airedale terrier with him on his trip to Maine. Walker will motor there and back and he figures that he will need a bow-wow to watch the bus.

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Sam Crabtree, who will judge the Mill Valley show, is well known across the pond as a breeder of bulldogs. Crabtree is considered to be one of the most successful breeders of bulldogs in England, having raised such fliers as Failsworth White Knight, White Marquis, Moray King and many others who have made the Failsworth kennels known.

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Don Alhambra, the winning bulldog which Harry Rushton, of Ashbury Park, recently purchased from D. S. Anderson, a well known breeder of Dundee, Scotland, died the night after his arrival at Liverpool. The dog was said to be in good condition and the cause of his death is unknown.

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The Irish Terrier Club of America will hold its annual show this year in conjunction with the all-terrier show of the Wissahickon Kennel Club, but will change the venue to the Biltmore Hotel. This exhibition will take place on June 2. D. D. Bush, of Wilmington, Del., will be the judge. Four points will go to the winners at the Biltmore and an additional point may be earned the next day at Chestnut Hill. William L. Barclay will judge at Wissahickon.

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The officers of the Bulldog Breeders' Association met last week at the Vanderbilt Hotel and presented Alfred Benjamin, president of the London Bulldog Club, with a gold medal in commemoration of his visit to this country.

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The Bulldog Club of America will hold its quarterly meeting May 16th at Gregorian. Several important matters are to be decided on.

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There were 475 shows held last year in Great Britain under Kennel Club rules.

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Among the women who have consented to act as patrons of the Blue Cross dog show to be held at Belmont Park May 20 are the following: Mrs. Reginald C. Vanderbilt, Mrs. August Belmont, Mrs. James Speyer, Baroness de Graffenreid, Mrs. French Vanderbilt, Mrs. W. Ross Proctor, Mrs. Frances Roche, Mrs. O. H. Kahn, Mrs. Jefferson Seligman, Mrs. W. Butler Duncan, Mrs. Joseph B. Thomas, Mrs. O. C. Harriman, Mrs. Alfred du Pont, Mrs. W. Seward Webb, Jr., Mrs. F. L. Hutton, Mrs. Jasper Lynch and Mrs. Laihrop Brown.

BUTTE HAS OLD AND PROSPEROUS CLUB.

The Butte (Mont.) Rod and Gun Club, which has held shoots as often as once a month since 1881, claims the distinction of being one of the oldest regularly organized gun clubs in the United States. From the time of its incorporation up to the present the Butte club has never been in debt. While the policy has been to assess the members sufficient to cover the expense of each shoot, yet by careful management the club has now more than $2,000 in its treasury; owns its own club house and has a large supply of ammunition and targets on hand. Many of the best trapshooters in the country have journeyed to Butte to meet the local cracks and most of them left satisfied that the club had a number of fine marksmen. The officers of the club at the present time are as follows: President, A. J. Walker; vice-president, W. A. Willoughby; secretary-treasurer, C. H. Smith. Mr. Smith is quite proud of the fact that he has held the office of secretary-treasurer of the club for thirty-two years, or since March 4, 1884. Among the charter members of the club who are still living are the following: Dan Jaeger, Schurz, Nev.; E. S. Paxson, Missoula, Mont.; John F. Cowan, Salt Lake City, Utah; A. Wehl, Butte, Mont.; Harry A. Sheads, Grand Forks, B. C.; P. W. Jones, Hamilton, Mont.; C. J. Wood, Divide, Mont.; Fred Gilbert, Lola, Mont., and C. H. Smith, Butte, Mont.

Trout Fishing Continues Popular

ANGLERS WHIP STREAMS UP AND DOWN THE COAST

If the crowds that were out last Sunday and during the week are any criterion, the sport of trout angling continues to be popular. It is doubtful if nearby streams and fishing nooks ever attracted larger numbers of anglers. In San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Alameda and Marin counties there were thousands trying to land trout.

Reports varied relative to catches. Some got limits while others complained about the lack of fish. All agreed that the trout are running smaller this season than in the past and that the streams are very low. Conditions for fishinfi are good, however, and excellent sport has been had. The trouble seems to be that so many splash around in the streams that the fish are scared and do not rise to the fly.

Railroad companies have received the following reports from their agents:—

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Healdsburg, May 11.—Trout streams in this vicinity are in good shape. Catches, however, have been poor lately.

Dos Rios, May 11.—Very poor success so far in trout streams nearby, probably on account of extremely cold nights.

Willits, May 11.—Some very good catches being made in this vicinity but trout are small.

Cazadero, May 11—Streams here are fairly good with some limit catches.

Duncan's Mills, May 11.—Anglers have been getting the limit of trout every day at Willow Creek and Russian Gulch, about three-quarters of a mile from Duncan's Mills.

Hopland, May 11.—Fishing in Pieta Creek is fine. Fishermen report no trouble at all to get limit. Two men were caught with ninety each.

Trinidad, May 11.—Fishing in Big Lagoon fairly good at present. Some pretty good catches have been made with some of the fish weighing as high as seven and eight pounds.

WESTERN PACIFIC.

Big Bar, May 11.—Fishing good. Many limit catches made this week. Limits also taken at Shady Rest Camp. Cresto advises good catches. Salmon flies, salmon eggs and helgamites are the preferred baits and have been used with best results.

Belden, May 11. North fork Yellow Creek and Chip Creek clear. Trout taking helgamites and salmon flies. Do not rise to artificial flies as yet. Feather River not very clear and poor fishing. Large catches being made daily in all except Feather River. Trout are weighing around 3½ pounds.

Blairsden, May 11.—Fishing in streams and river now very good. Feather River is clear and normal. Using salmon eggs, and spinners and following flies: Brown and gray hackle, royal coachman, and alder. No reports of any extra large sized trout being caught. Lakes not open for at least two weeks. Weather clear and warm.

Keddie, May 11.—Fishing not very good in this vicinity. Only few catches made this week. The principal bait is salmon flies. Streams are still quite muddy.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC.

Santa Cruz, May 11.—Trout and salmon season reported very good. Large sized trout being caught daily and are numerous. Salmon run getting better and in another two weeks will be at its height.

Sisson, May 11.—Fishing poor: weather is too cold and windy.

Inyskern, Cal., May 11.—Fishing not at best yet on account of high water. Will not be at its best until about June 1st. From that time on and until close of trout season excellent fishing should be had in mountains in the vicinity of Brown. The fishing streams may be reached by pack outfits, which can be obtained at Brown. This country is perhaps the least known of any in California and abounds with wild game such as deer and bear, and a great quantity of smaller game such as quail. The game is in the Sequoia National Forest and is reached by pack outfit and saddle horses.

CALIFORNIA WING CLUB SHOOT.

Edgar Foster, the local wing shot, at the last shoot of the California Wing Club made a record which his fellow members consider the best ever made on the coast. In four races and one practice shoot Foster dropped sixty straight white flyers in spite of the fact that the wind blew all day long.

Foster first got twelve birds in the practice event and followed this with a pair of halves, a six and an eighteen without a miss. The regular champion of the club, Clarence Naumann, only missed once in the regular events, and during the day made a straight string of 44.

Eugene Foster's 44 out of 48 was worthy of comment. The best scores of the day were:—

Birds—	12	12	6	18
Edgar Foster	12	12	6	18
Clarence Naumann	12	12	6	17
Eugene Foster	12	9	5	18
Ed Hoag	11	11	5	17
H. Stelling	10	11	5	14
P. Walsh	11	11	..	..
Jack Nelson	9	12	..	..
Joe Nelson	9	6	..	..

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Watsonville Club.—One of the best bluerock shoots ever held in this section of the State was enjoyed by a large crowd Sunday morning and afternoon on the Watsonville Bluerock Club grounds near Freedom. Dr. Barker of San Jose was the champion shot of the day, hitting 94 birds out of 100.

Refreshments were served to the crowd and everybody had a jolly time. The committee in charge of the affair was composed of Messrs. C. A. Palmtag, William Whitton, E. B. Walling and H. C. Rasmussen, who deserve credit for the success of the shoot.

The scores:—

W. R. Ellis 96x105, O. N. Jones 86x1125, A. Feudner 93x125, B. R. Byers 26x50, E. H. Phillips 30x50, C. Rasmussen 47x100, B. F. Crews 42x75, Fred Kooher 11x25, William Whitton 19x25, Frank Brewington 57x75, F. Tholcke 80x100, D. McFadden 85x100, J. Douglas 76x100, C. McFadden 76x100, V. Massirra 70x100, Dr. Barker 94x100, W. Baumgartner 90x100, J. O'Connors 18x50, O. S. Blodgett 32x50, A. L. Lent 69x100, Walter Jenkins 43x75, A. L. Lightford 15x25, C. Ross 9x50, J. W. Miller 57x75, Harry Brewington 12x25, C. A. Palmtag 16x25, C. Connors 3x25.

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Taft Club.—The handicap shoots of the Taft Gun Club are attracting much attention, visitors coming from as far away as Lost Hills. Each Sunday a prize is given to the one making the best score. The scores made at the last shoot were as follows:

At 20 targets—Bontadelli 14, Hartman 9, Setarns 16, J. J. Gallman 14, Tedford 12, W. Gallman 14, Taylor 7, Harris 11, Kennison 6, McKeon 17, Randolph 14, Hall 4, McKissick 8.

The Utah Sportsmen's Association held a registered shoot over the traps of the Cache Junction Gun Club. The four high men all shot Nitro Club shells. C. H. Reilley won the tournament, scoring 140x150.

THE FARM

FARM TELEPHONES.

As a social necessity on the farm a telephone has won a place years ago. As a business proposition it has a place, but not what it might have, and not what it will have.

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Now there's another side to this. Every time a foreign or even a home farmer drives to town with a few bushels of apples or other truck that isn't sold, he sets a lower price for the other farmers in the section. That is not fair for him and surely not fair for the remainder of us. That's another place where all farmers are too far apart. This phone plan will eventually be a step toward co-operation. If all of us farmers would stick by the regular price there wouldn't be other prices offered. And nobody would lose except the dealer, who makes enough anyway.

But there is one important point to be watched carefully—very carefully—and that is the description of the goods that you have to sell. There can be no misrepresentation of the goods to be delivered. If you have fancy stuff to sell over the phone, then say it is fancy and arrange a price accordingly. Then deliver the fancy goods. But if it is only medium grade, be sure to say that. Soon the dealer will know that what you say is what will be delivered, and it won't be long until he'll be phoning out to you for some of the things he wants—Rocky Mountain Husbandman.

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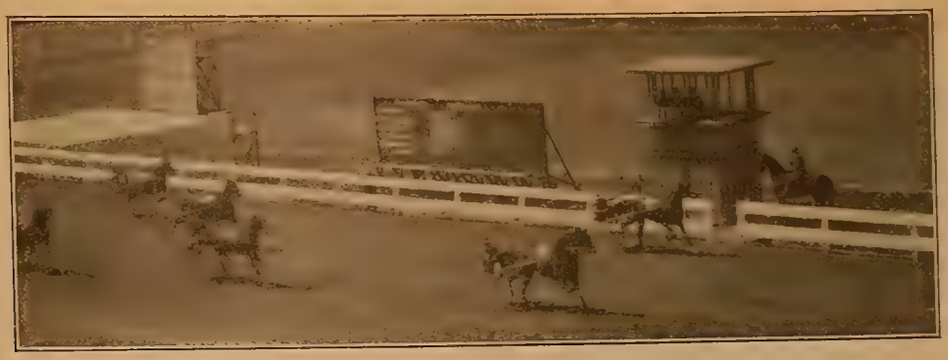
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2:15 Pace	$700
2:12 Trot	$500
2:25 Pace	$500
2:25 Trot—3 in 5	$700

Closing August 1.

2:20 Pace	$500
2:15 Trot	$500
2:20 Trot	$300
2:15 Pace for B. C. Horses	$200
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2:30 Pace	$300
2:18 Pace	$500

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Aug. 28 — Sept. 2

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2:25 Pace	$500
2:12 Trot	$500
2:10 Pace	$500

Closing Aug. 14.

2:20 Pace	$500.00
2:20 Trot	$500.00
2:15 Trot	$500.00
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2:10 Pace	$750.00
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2:15 Pace	$750.00
2:20 Trot	$750.00
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Sept. 6-10

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Closing June 1.

2:20 Trot	$250.00
2:30 Trot	250.00
2:15 Trot	250.00

Closing Aug. 23

2:25 Pace, 2:15 Pace, 2:18 Pace, F. F. A. Trot, and F. F. A. Pace, each for $250.00.

All on 3-Heat Plan

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September 11-13

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2:30 Trot	$500.00
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2:20 Trot—3 in 5	$600.00
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2:25 Trot (Sept. 4)	$600.00

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Closing Sept. 11

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2:30 Trot	$600.00
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$300.00 to horse standing highest in Summary.	$150.00 to horse standing highest in Summary.

ENTRANCE AND PAYMENTS—$2.00 to nominate mare on May 15, 1916, when name, color, description of mare and stallion bred to must be given; $3.00 July 1, 1916; $5.00 December 1, 1916; $5.00 on yearlings April 1, 1917; $10.00 on two-year-olds April 1, 1918; $10.00 on three-year-olds April 1, 1919.

STARTING PAYMENTS—$25.00 to start in pacing division; $55.00 to start in trotting division. All starting payments to be made ten days before the first day of the State Fair at which the race is to take place.

NOMINATORS must designate when making payments to start whether the horse is a Trotter or Pacer.

CONDITIONS

The race in each division will be for three heats; if no horse wins two of the three heats a fourth heat must be raced by the heat winners to decide the winner of the race; all other horses to go to the barn.

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Pacing division heat purses $350.00. Total purse $1,200.00.

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If a mare proves barren or slips or has a dead foal or twins, or if either the mare or the foal dies before December 1, 1916, her Nominator may sell or transfer his nomination or substitute another mare or foal, regardless of ownership; but there will be no return of a payment nor will any entry be liable for more than the amount paid in or contracted for. In entries, the name, color and pedigree of mare must be given; also the name of the horse to which she was bred in 1915.

Entries must be accompanied by the entrance fee. Nominators are liable for amounts paid in only. Failure to make any payment forfeits all previous payments. This Association is liable for $3,000.00, the amount of the guarantee only.

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Hermes (2) 2:16½	Carlrich p (2).....2:24½
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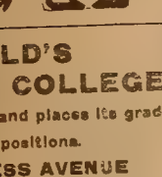
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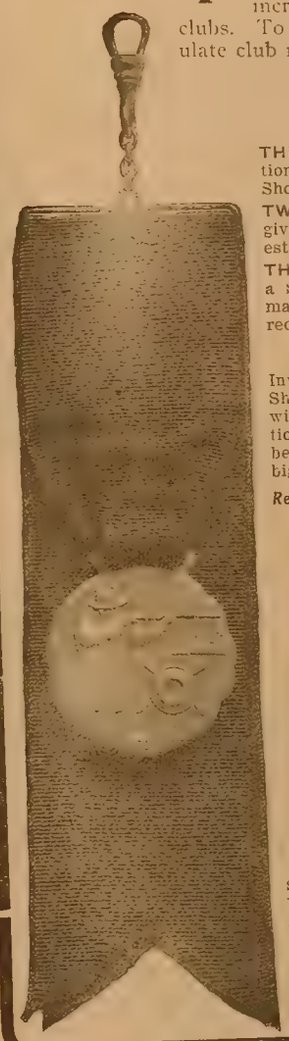


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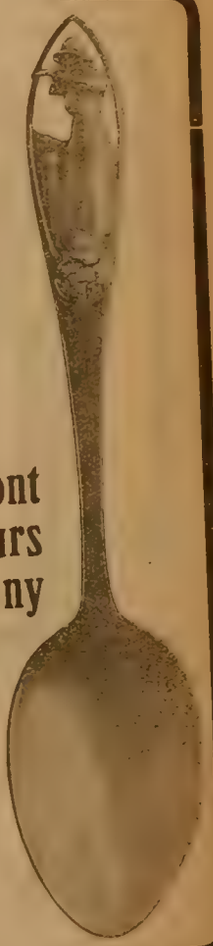


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Time allowances must be claimed when entry is made; also it must be stated why the horse entered is entitled to time allowance under above conditions.

PROGRAM

FIRST DAY		SECOND DAY		THIRD DAY		FOURTH DAY	
1—Three-year-old pacing division, Futurity Stake No. 13 (closed 1912)	$1300	4—Two-year-old trotting division, Futurity Stake No. 14 (closed 1913)	$1350	7—Two-year-old pacing division, Futurity Stake No. 14 (closed 1913)	$1100	10—2:12 class, trotting	$ 900
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JUNE FIRST will be a very important date to California owners and trainers of trotting and pacing horses. On that date nine $1000 purses offered by the California State Agricultural Society, and eight $900 purses offered by the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders' Association will close for entry. The complete programs with conditions, etc., are to be found in our advertising columns today and we advise every horse owner and trainer to look them over carefully and get ready to have the entries made out and mailed by Thursday, June 1st. There are a half dozen other meetings to be advertised later and the associations are probably waiting to see how the State Fair and Breeders' races fill before announcing just how much money and how many days' racing they can afford to give. But even though there should be no other meetings held in California this year, the owner who can win a race at each of the above meetings can more than pay expenses for the season. The associations in the east seem to be receiving very large lists of entries this spring, and that harness racing is to be more popular than ever this year is admitted by all who live on the other side of the mountains. Good lists of entries for the State Fair and the Breeders will encourage other associations to be liberal and prompt in offering their programs to the horsemen. The track at Santa Rosa where the Breeders' meeting is to be held is one of the best and fastest on the coast, while the climate of Sonoma county cannot be excelled anywhere. The hotels of the city of roses are first class—there is no better hay than the red oat hay that grows round about that thriving city, and in fact everything there seems made to order and is kept in order for the horsemen and their horses. Sacramento, where the State Fair has been held since 1857 with only one miss (which was last year on account of the big exposition in this city) is the Mecca of horsemen every season. Its splendid track, well appointed stables, big and enthusiastic crowds that enjoy the races, make the State Fair one of the meetings which every horseman aims to attend without fail. We do not doubt but good lists of entries will be received by the Breeders and the State Fair, and we hope that there will be no owner who, after entries close, will bemoan the fact that his horses are not entered. The purses are generous and the chances to win are greater than they have been for years owing to the fact that so many horses of all classes are to be raced across the mountains this year.

THE WAR ON GAMBLING which a prominent San Francisco daily newspaper is conducting with such vigor would seem to a "visitor from Mars" more consistent if the aforesaid daily did not publish with great care and for the exclusive benefit of the "gamblers" that piece of news called the "form chart" of the running races. These form charts on races run hundreds of miles from San Francisco telegraphed daily and put into type at much expense are only of use to those who make a daily practice of "playing the races" at the "pool rooms." And the "selections"! What are they but alleged sure tips from the journal's salaried expert?

SECRETARY PAINE'S PROPOSAL to provide races for thoroughbreds at the California State Fair this year has met the endorsement of all breeders and owners on the coast and a program of such events will doubtless be soon announced. The State Board of Agriculture will however ask for the co-operation of the thoroughbred owners in preventing any and all bookmaking, as the State laws are very strict and the Board cannot afford to permit gambling of any kind at Agricultural Park. It has become generally known that from twenty to thirty handbooks were on daily at the running meeting held at the P.-P. I. E. last year, and that the bookmakers paid some one for the privilege, although the casual visitor who was not looking for a chance to bet probably never suspected that illegal wagering was going on. As the obtaining of the State appropriation for the fair depends upon the laws of the State being strictly observed the State Board of Agriculture desires to have assurances from the recognized organization controlling running turf affairs in California that it will give the State Board every assistance in its enforcement of these laws. With this co-operation there will be no reason why a good program of running races cannot be arranged and carried out in a manner that will prove the popularity of this great sport, and do much toward inducing the incoming legislature to amend the present drastic laws against wagering on racing.

THE HORSE MARKET is rather dull at present. Small horses of the milk wagon sort bring little more at auction than $75 for good ones and many are sold for much less. A car load of all purpose horses from Lassen county were disposed of this week at J. B. Horan's stock yard, W. H. Hord auctioneer, the 900 to 1200 pound horses being slow sale. A number of really fine looking drafters weighing right around 1500, brought better prices, a handsome gray mare weighing 1500 sired by a Percheron stallion bringing $220, a splendid 1450 pound gelding bringing $170 and another $165. There are no 1800 and ton horses in the market at present. That there is some demand for the horses sold at auction however is shown by the fact that dealers are the principal buyers at the auction sales and they manage to turn their purchases over at a profit. Really good horses of any class bring fair figures, but the ordinary horse seems to go begging for bids when led into the salesring.

WILL YOU RACE up north this year? The North Pacific Circuit offers a very generous lot of purses to close Thursday, June 1st, and a lot more to close at a later date. Beginning at Vancouver August 14th there will be seven weeks of racing, ending the week of Sept. 25 to 30 at the Oregon State Fair. We advise every owner who contemplates racing out of the State this year to study the North Pacific Fair Association's advertisement in this issue and to remember that the first closing date for a number of important races is June 1st.

RIDER AND DRIVER of New York celebrates its twenty-fifth anniversary with a special number, which is a triumph of both the printer's and engraver's art. The cover illustration in colors is one of the most beautiful things we have seen. Congratulations to Rider and Driver. May it live long and prosper.

MATINEE SEASON OPENS.

There was a most successful opening of the matinee season of harness racing at the three-quarter mile oval in Golden Gate Park, San Francisco, last Sunday. Between three and four thousand devotees of the game were present, the day being delightful and the track fast. Starters in the four events were numerous enough and evenly enough classified to make each of the four events a most interesting race. The races were all two best heats in three at three-fourths of a mile, which is the most popular distance at this track, as the crowd has a view of both start and finish.

Credit must be given the offcial management of the San Francisco-California Driving Club for the very efficient manner in which all the details of the matinees are aranged and carried out. There are seldom any delays and the program is completed "as advertised" without change or excuse.

The fastest heat of the day was paced by George Machado's Bold Harry which won the free-for-all from a field of the best pacers in the club. Coming down the stretch in the first heat well in the lead Machado eased up on his horse until Bold Harry was only jogging when W. Malough with his mare Emma M. made a dash for the front and got to the wire before Machado was awake to the fact that a heat is never won until the wire is reached. Emma M. was awarded the heat in the time of 1:41, but in the next two heats Machado took no chances and landed Bold Harry in front in 1:36½ and 1:36¼, good time for thus early in the season.

President Giannini's Bradmont was the winner of the opening race of the meeting, winning the first and third heats after a contest with King Pointer, but in the second heat J. M. Kidd's Senator H. got his nose in front of Bradmont at the wire after a hot brush down the stretch.

A. Scott's Little Dick, the chestnut gelding by Dictatus that won a record of 2:18 as long ago as the summer of 1907, and whose mark of 2:09¾ was made in 1910, was returned a winner of the second race after J. Vermet's Cookie had won the first heat and cut his quarter so badly in the second heat as to necessitate his withdrawal. Little Dick is certainly an iron horse as he has been raced continuously for the past ten years and is still a good horse on the road.

The only trotting event on Sunday's card had the last place on the program. It proved an easy race for M. Ford's Minequa that won in straight heats. A. Giavonetti's Yoncalla was the contending horse in both heats, and as this was Yoncalla's first race he made a commendable showing. Yoncalla's name is variously spelled on the program and in the papers, but he is a registered horse and his cognomen is properly given here. Yoncalla was bred by the late Mrs. F. H. Burke of the Vendome Stock Farm and the colt's name is of Indian derivation. While Mr. and Mrs. Burke were touring in Oregon in 1911 they passed a little railroad station which had the name of Yoncalla. Mrs. Burke concluded to name the colt by Bon Voyage which the mare Birdie by Jay Bird then had at foot after this station, remarking, when afterwards making out its registration papers: "There will be no other horse by that name already registered, consequently it is not necessary to select any alternates." Yoncalla is now a five-year-old and may yet prove to be a fast trotter, as his breeding certainly gives him license for being.

The success of the opening matinee was complete and as the club has concluded to hold one every Sunday during the summer we shall expect the interest in this sport to increase and the track records to be broken before the summer is over. The club is in a most flourishing condition with a large list of enthusiastic members. Summaries:

First race—2:18 pace:

Bradmont	(G. J. Giannini)	1	2	1
Senator H.	(J. M. Kidd)	4	1	5
King Pointer	(H. Campodonico)	2	3	2
Little Jack	(G. Conlan)	3	5	3
Dr. Dawson	(E. T. Ayres)	5	4	4

Time—1:37, 1:38½.

Second race—2:30 pace:

Little Dick	(A. Scott)	2	1	1
John Campbell	(J. Martin)	4	3	2
Black Mack	(F. A. Gielow)	3	4	3
Cookie	(J. Vermet)	1	2	d

Time—1:44, 1:44½, 1:53.

Third race—Free-for-all pace:

Bold Harry	(G. Machado)	2	1	1
Emma M.	(W. Malough)	1	5	2
Mabel Dillon	(B. Cohen)	4	2	4
W. J. K.	(W. J. Kenney)	5	3	3
Pointer Belle	(J. M. Kidd)	3	4	5

Time—1:41½, 1:36½, 1:36¾.

Fourth race—2:30 trot:

Minequa	(M. Ford)	1	1	
Yoncalla	(A. Giavonetti)	2	2	
Alto Trix	(J. M. Kidd)	3	3	
Dolly Cassini	(W. Newman)	4	d	

Time—1:52½, 1:49¼.

Five races are carded for the matinee tomorrow. The events have filled well, several horses that did not start last Sunday being in line. The entries and officials for the day are as follows:

First race, 2:20 trot—J. McNamara's Matawan, M. Ford's Minequa, J. A. Wilkins' Merrylina.

Second race, 2:18 pace—Logan Healey's Silver, G. Collins' Little Jack, E. T. Ayres' Dr. Dawson, A. P. Scott's Little Dick, D. Keating's Victor Pointer, J. Vermet's Cookey.

Third race, free-for-all pace—G. J. Giannini's Bradmont, W. J. Kenney's W. J. K., William Malough's Emma M., J. M. Kidd's Pointer.

Fourth race, free-for-all trot—G. J. Giannini's Ella M. R., Harold Cohn's Harold C.

Fifth race, 2:15 pace—B. Cohen's Mable Dillon, J. M. Kidd's Senator, H. Campodonico's King Pointer.

Officials—Judges, John A. McKerron, Dan Keating and A. Ottinger; timers, J. A. Wilkins, Fred Clotere and T. P. Lauterwasser; starter, James J. Ryan.

Nearly 100,000 horses have been sold since January 1st at the National Stock Yards, says the N. Y. Herald. The trade a year ago was almost wholly confined to war horses, but the home demand is now the main thing, and good, big, sound work horses command higher prices than when the French army contractors were buying them for artillery service. The French, Italian and Belgian governments are still buying, though not as heavily as last year. They are now discriminating in favor of mares, the apparent purpose being to have a large number on hand for breeding purposes when peace is restored in Europe. The army inspectors are paying only $160 for gunners and $130 for riders.

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A firm of Illinois Percheron breeders sold a ten-year-old mare recently for $1000, and refused $4000 for a pair of four-year-old mares. A nine months old colt was sold for $500 and another breeder got $1175 for four weanlings. This speaks well for the condition of the market for pure bred Percherons.

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Zomblack 2:10¼ is in the stud at Charley Dean's stable at Palatine, Ill., at $25 the season, and many good mares are being booked to him.

NATIONAL TROTTING ASSOCIATION.

At the special meeting of the Board of Review of the N. T. A. held in New York May 2d and 3d, no cases of particular interest to Pacific Coast horsemen were before the Board. The following miscellaneous business was transacted, however, that is of much interest to all members of the association and to harness horsemen everywhere:

Year Book.

On motion of Morgan G. Bulkeley, second by John Early, the following preamble and resolution in regard to the Year Book was unanimously adopted:

"Whereas, In 1896, the National Trotting Association made an agreement with the American Trotting Association to exchange summaries of all races contested on the courses of the members with the understanding that all matter sent by the National Trotting Association should be turned over to the American Trotting Register Association free for publication in the Year Book. This agreement which is still in force was made on the initiative of the National Trotting Association, and under it the American Trotting Register Association has received this service free for twenty years. Rule 62, Section1, under which the American Trotting Register Association was required to pay for the cost of copying these summaries was also after a full explanation, struck out at the last Congress so that no charge could be made therefor.

"The Year Book is a valuable work for breeders and horse owners and with the addition of the winrace list would make it a great convenience to the Secretaries of Racing Associations, and an early and prompt publication will add materially to its value:

"Therefore Be It Resolved, That: In order to put the Year Book on a permanent basis and also with the object of continuing it as the official publication, the President of the National Trotting Association is hereby appointed as a Committee of One, to confer with the President of the American Trotting Association, and the President of the American Trotting Register Association with the power to enter into and to conclude a contract that shall be binding on this Association and also on the other two parties to it, to publish jointly by these Associations the said Year Book, which is now published by the American Trotting Register Association.

"The three parties named above should each contribute to the work of compilation and publication, and it seems that a nearly equitable division of the work would be as follows: The National Trotting Association to furnish to the American Trotting Register Association in the shape of copy ready for the printer, the summaries of all races contested over tracks of its members; also to send the American Trotting Association a manifold copy of same and also to furnish a Winrace and Eligibility list of horses performing over the tracks of members of the National Trotting Association and of the American Trotting Association; The American Trotting Association to furnish the American Trotting Register Association in the shape of copy ready for the printer, the summaries of all races contested over tracks of its members; also send the National Trotting Association a manifold copy of same and also to furnish the copy ready for the printers for the index (as is now published in the Year Book) over tracks of the members of the National Trotting Association and over tracks of members of the American Trotting Association and over non-association tracks; and the American Trotting Register Association to furnish all the rest of the work and copy, ready for the printer to complete the book.

The said three Associations, the National Trotting Association, the American Trotting Association and the American Trotting Register Association are in addition to pay each one-third of the total expense of composition, printing and binding the said Year Book, and each of the said three Associations is to own and to have exclusive control of one-third of each edition of said Year Book when completed, each one-third to be received from the printer at the price of publication."

Uniform Rules.

The following in regard to a uniform code of Rules was unanimously adopted:

"In order to establish a code of uniform rules for the National and American Trotting Associations, it is recommended that at the next and subsequent Biennial Congresses of these Associations that instead of amending the rules or enacting new ones, the delegates assembled at each Congress shall elect a Rule Committee of six members which shall constitute a Joint Rule Commitee, with power to draft a set of rules that shall be a code for all race meetings until their successors are appointed at the next Biennial Congresses and a new code adopted. It is further recommended that this Committee shall meet alternately in New York and Chicago within one week after the Congress of the American Trotting Association which is held the week following the Congress of the National Trotting Association. It is also further recommended that after a uniform code is adopted, no changes shall be made in same, or no new rules enacted, except upon a two-thirds vote of the entire Joint Rule Committee at its regular meeting.

"As the next regular Congresses will not be held until 1918, in order to expedite this matter, if the American Trotting Association agrees with this proposition, the President is given the power to call a special Congress to meet in December, 1916, to appoint such a rule committee so that a code of uniform rules can be made for the racing season of 1917.

Secretary and Treasurer's Report.

The Secretary laid before the Board printed copies of the Secretary and Treasurer's report of receipts and disbursements of the Association from November 1, 1915, to May 1, 1916, together with certificate of audit and a statement from Percy Rothwell & Company, certified public accountants, to the correctness of the accounts of the Treasurer from September 15, 1915, to May 1, 1916. Said reports were accepted, and the Secretary instructed to send a copy of the Secretary and Treasurer's report to each member.

Eligibility.

The following explanation of the Eligibility Rule was approved, adopted and ordered sent to members:

"Eligibility to compete in races is fixed by the winrace. It is the fastest time made by the winning horse in a public race, or in an event in which he stood best in the summary. Records are not considered in determining eligibility except in special events which are governed by published conditions. Also in the same manner a member, or several members linked together in a circuit, can fix the date after which, or prior to which, winraces shall or shall not be considered in determining eligibility at their meetings."

Election of Secretary and Treasurer.

The term of office of Secretary and Treasurer having expired, the Board proceeded to the election of the Secretary and Treasurer for the next ensuing four years. W. H. Gocher of Hartford, Connecticut, was unanimously elected Secretary and Treasurer of the National Trotting Association.

THE INDIANAPOLIS SPEED SALE.

An official report of the sale has been sent to the Breeder and Sportsman by Manager Frank D. Kenney which shows an average for the entire sale of about $250. As stated last week, the young trotters, Suldine and Senator O'Brien, consigned by C. A. Harrison, topped the sale, bringing $1975 and $2000 respectively. The next highest prices were paid for the pacer Baron Watts 2:07½, that brought $1025, and the trotter Clipper Jr. 2:14¼, trial 2:08½, that sold for $1000. We give below a record of the Pacific Coast horses sold, from which it will be seen that the official figures vary somewhat from the figures sent over the wire and published last week:

Consignment of C. A. Harrison, Seattle:

Suldine (1) 2:24¾, (3) 2:12, b c foaled 1913, by Worthy McKinney, dam Carrietta by Directman, to Jos. Kleckner, Philadelphia, $1975.

Senator O'Brien (1) 2:29, b c foaled 1914, by Peter the Great, dam Carrietta by Directman, to Amos Mutely, Jr., Muncie, Ind., $2000.

Tosora 2:26½, br m (4) by The Patchen Boy 2:10¾, dam Niquee 2:13¾, by Joe Patchen 2:01¼, John Larrick, Darlington, Ind., $270.

Boniquee, br f (3) by Count Boni, dam Niquee 2:13¾ by Joe Patchen 2:01¼, L. G. Van Hook, Frankfort, Ind., $200.

Consignment of J. B. Stetson, Salem, Oregon.

Novela 2:15¼, b m (8) by Letrado 2:25, dam Navajo by Alaska, J. E. Hoover, Indianapolis, Ind., $510.

Consignment of Chas. L. DeRyder, Pleasanton.

Rapallo, b h (9) by Greco B., dam Oniska by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, Chas. E. Dean, Palatine, Ill., $550.

Agnes Carter 2:15¾, b m (6) by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, dam Excella by Monbells, W. L. Snyder, Springfield, Ohio, $530.

Dick W. 2:06¼, b g (9) by Athadon 2:27—breeding of dam unknown, Frank Long, Chicago, Ill., $270.

Frances S., ch m (6) by King S., dam Lady Loc by Lochinvar, E. D. Gould, Kearney, Neb., $360.

The Earnest 2:21¼, b g (7) by The Exponent 2:11¾, dam Mardella by Del Mar 2:16¾, Frank C. Caine, Knoxville, Ill., $165.

Sis Bodaker, b m (5) by Bodaker 2:13, dam Sis Meridian 2:16¼ by Meridian 2:12¼, George McCrea, Columbus, Ohio, $600.

Asa Pointer, b g (7) by Star Pointer 1:59¼, dam Eva H. by Washington McKinney 2:17½, J. W. Gyles, Cortland, N. Y., $185.

Vernon Diablo, b g (5) by Vernon McKinney 2:01½ dam (unnamed) by Diablo 2:09¼, Chas. E. Dean, Palatine, Ill., $200.

Papers were served on the National Trotting Association and Secretary W. H. Gocher when the Board of Review was in executive session in New York two weeks ago, in a suit for $25,000 damages, the complainant being Robert M. Williams, former manager of the Greater New York Fair and Exposition Company and lessees of the Empire City track at Yonkers. In 1913 while holding a trotting meeting under the rules of the National Association, the management failed to pay the purses and was stopped from holding a mile track meeting in membership with the Grand Circuit. For this violation of racing rules the association was suspended, but later reinstated with the exception of Mr. Williams, the manager, who was suspended and the suspension was not removed for a year. The complainant claims that this unjust suspension barred him from participating in racing affairs, and even excluded him from racetracks and that he was damaged to the extent of $25,000. The suit is filed in the United States District Court. Lee Parsons Davis, of White Plains, and Ernest P. Hoes, of New York, are Williams' attorneys.

AT THE SPOKANE TRACK.

[Rural Spirit, May 10.]

The number of men and horses at the Spokane, Wash., track indicates that there may be things doing this fall. No real fast workouts have gone yet, but all the horses seem to be coming on well.

D. H. Young, of Sprague, Wash., has Don Carlos by Gyr Falcon, dam Maud Hanley, a four-year-old pacer that can step an eighth in sixteen seconds, without straps.

Sonnie Jim 2:21¼ as a three-year-old, by Gyr Falcon, dam Babe by Encounter, is another good prospect.

May Online by Sprague Mason, dam Carrie by Online, owned by Jack Tormey, of Cheney, and a green pacing chestnut mare by Jr. Dan Patch, owned by John Gilmore, of Spokane, both with a good way of going, make up Young's string.

Lou Childs has Greatness 2:10¼ as a three-year-old at last year's San Francisco races, by Peter Wilton, dam by Mt. Vernon, and Mildred Direct 2:14¼ by George Direct. Both these will race, and they will probably go on the Great Western Circuit, with Marvin Childs as driver.

William Shaw has Lottie Dishman, a gray mare of uncertain breeding but giving much promise of speed, and Garvin Wilkes 2:18¼ by Babant, dam Susie Wilkes by Wild Wilkes. The latter will be raced this year. It is as yet uncertain about the mare.

J. V. Shaw has T. R. Gregor, a promising green pacer by Ben Reisdeik, dam Blanch McGregor by Remark, a son of Robert McGregor. Young Shaw also has Robert, a Thoroughbred mile horse that has been a successful campaigner.

C. J. Maxwell has Sister Norte 2:20¼ by Del Norte, dam Trilby by Big Bird, owned by William Gummers. He also has Champ Clark by Sherlock Holmes, out of the same dam, a great four-year-old that has stepped a half in 1:15. Maxwell also has in Cyrus Custer, a yearling colt of much promise by Sirius Pointer, dam a full sister to Sister Norte. He is also caring for the old broodmare Clara, dam of Edgar Boy 2:08¼.

The veteran trainer, Lute Lindsay, now past 80 years old, is this year caring for the standard bred stallion Mike Shine. Mike is twelve years old and has no mark, but Lindsay plans to give him one this fall. The old horse was first prize standard bred stallion here last fall and is sire of Mike Shine Jr., that was a sensational winning pacer on the ice at Minneapolis in something like 2:08 or better last winter. Dan Island by Mike Shine, dam by Red Wilkes, is a three-year-old pacer that is a good prospect. Lindsay has a fine yearling in charge by the old horse. Mike Shine is sire of a pair of horses that were taken to England, where they won first place in a horse show, and Lute thinks much of him.

Oscar Wills, after being out of the game fifteen years, has broken in again. He has Lady Ottoman by Ottoman Boy, dam by Orion, that was the two-year-old champion, with a record of 2:07½. She is owned by J. C. O'Connor, of Spokane, and Wills, as well as a good many others, thinks he has something extra good.

S. C. Payne has E. N. Jones' great mare Big Squaw 2:10¼ by Kewanee Boy, dam Argive Helen. He has two very promising and handsome colts from her by Judge Dillard, and she is again in foal to him. Squaw Dillard is her three-year-old filly, and Gladys Dillard is her two-year-old gelding, both coal-black, big, strong, beautiful steppers for their ages. Payne also has Miss Jerusha 2:08¼ and two colts out of her by Judge Dillard. These are also black, of good size, and give promise of speed. They are Jerusha Dillard, the three-year-old, and D. W. Maloney, a two-year-old gelding.

John P. Boileau is a familiar figure at the track; occasionally helps with a work-out, especially with the Jones horses, and takes more interest in and knows more about racing conditions than any other man in the city. If there were more Boileaus, the racing game would be better.

John Roberts, who for many years has been a conductor on the Northern Pacific railroad, has recently leased his mare, Glenrose by Beaumont, dam Brownie by Bellfounder 73, to John Blackman, of Miles City, Mont. Glenrose has a breeder's mark of 2:14¼. Blackman intends to race her on the North Pacific circuit, beginning in June, and then come on into Montana. It is an interesting fact that Glenrose's dam was 25 years old when she was foaled, and Glenrose is her only colt.

Judge Dillard 2:12¼ by Hal Dillard, sire of Hal B. and other great horses, dam Vignette, by Onward, owned by D. W. Maloney, is again making a fairly good season. Maloney has a yearling out of Miss Jerusha 2:08¾, that he thinks so much of, he is saving him for a stud. The colt is big and strong, good acting and bay in color, while most of Judge Dillard's colts are black.

The Kentucky Trotting Horse Breeders' Association has withdrawn from the National Trotting Association and has announced that the fall trots will be conducted under the rules of the American Trotting Association.

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At the annual parade of the Road Horse Association of New Jersey, held last week at Newark, over 600 horses were in line. This looks as if there are still a few horsemen left in that section.

SADDLE HORSE STAKES AT CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR

Large fields and close contests promise to be the rule in the saddle classes at the California State Fair in September next. The Pacific Coast Saddle Horse Breeders' stake for three-year-olds will very probably have no less than eight starters, and it will be as classy a lot of youngsters as ever paraded and showed gaits before a judge. Among them will be the Bridgford Company's Missouri bred colt Le Grand McDonald, winner of the two-year-old and junior championships at the Panama-Pacific Industrial Exposition last year, Dr. J. W. Smyth's Peg o' My Heart, winner of the junior championship for mares at the same show, also entries by Miss Adelaide Gillis of Los Angeles, Revel Lindsay English (Sierra Vista Stock Farm), Chino, California, Mr. Bernstein of Stanislaus county, W. E. Creed of Piedmont and others. The stake is worth about $800 and is divided into five moneys: 50, 20, 15, 10 and five per cent.

The California State Fair two-year-old futurity is worth about the same amount and will also draw a big field of colts. There will be six prizes in this stake, viz.: 35, 20, 15, 12½, 10 and 5 per cent. F. J. Bork of Sawtelle has a colt by Don Castano in the stake that is already spoken of as a likely winner, as he is a classy fellow and greatly improved over his yearling form. California's Best, that was second to Miss Loula Long's winner of last year's yearling prize, will represent the Bridgford Company.

President T. L. Johnson of the Saddle Horse Breeders' Association, will have entries in the yearling stake by his handsome stallion Lord Denmark, and Martha Freeman of Los Angeles has one by Highland Monarch that is highly spoken of. The regular classes for aged stallions and mares will fill well and the saddle horse show promises to be one of the big features of the California State Fair of 1916.

The suggestion is here made that the fair associations at Santa Rosa and Dixon offer prizes for the saddle classes this year. These horses are always a drawing card for the fairs and as their breeding should be encouraged the best way to accomplish it is to hang up prizes for them at the county and state fairs. Representatives of the California Saddle Horse Breeders' Association will visit several of the towns where fairs are to be held this year in the hope of securing recognition for this breed of horses.

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The Bridgford Company reports that three foals sired by its Junior Champion, Le Grand McDonald, when he was a two-year-old have made their appearance this year on the farm near Knightsen. One is from Black Belle, a winner of many prizes in the show ring, another is from Dorothy Green by Artist Jr., and another from Lady Fashion 2d by Artist Jr. As a three-year-old Le Grand McDonald has developed into a grand horse and promises to repeat his triumphs of last year when he won every time he was shown.

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Dr. W. J. Smyth of Oakland sometimes drives his saddle horses Peg o' My Heart and The Candy Kid to a light road wagon and they make a spanking pair. The mare is a three-year-old and the gelding five. Peg o' My Heart was bred in Kentucky while The Candy Kid was bred at the Bridgford Company's farm and is by Artist Jr., a Missouri bred stallion that had wonderful prospects as a show winner before he received an injury which ruined him for show purposes.

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Mr. H. C. Ahlers, the Post street jeweler, is taking much pleasure on the bridle paths of Golden Gate Park with his mare Mavis that he purchased from Thornberry & Shropshire last year after she had won first prize for saddle mares three years and under four, and also the Reserve Senior Championship and Reserve Grand Championship at the P.-P. I. E. Mavis is a highly formed mare of the true saddle type and is being ridden at walk, trot and canter, Mr. Ahlers not caring for the other gaits.

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It being very noticeable that New Yorkers do not care for all the gaits to which the Kentucky Saddle Horses are trained but are very partial to the type of animal, and the Kentucky breeders are consequently taking consignments of these horses that are trained to but three gaits and securing good prices for them in New York.

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The saddle mare My Idol, by Lord Highland, dam Lady McDonald by Rex McDonald, was sold by Mr. E. D. Moore of Columbus, Missouri, two weeks ago, for $3000, said to be the highest price ever paid for a saddle mare in Missouri. W. J. Thubron of Pittsburg, Pa., was the buyer. My Idol was shown at the P.-P. I. E. and won the senior and grand championship honors in those classes for saddle mares. Mr. Thurbron says My Idol was not purchased for show purposes but will be used as a pleasure horse by a young lady.

Mr. Wm. P. Stark, of Stark City, Mo., has several mares sired by the Homer Davenport importation of Arab stallions. He is breeding these mares to Black Knight, one of the largest, classiest and best bred saddle stallions owned in Missouri.

THE AMERICAN SADDLE HORSE.

There are two major families within the breed, the Denmarks and the Chiefs. The first of these is descended from Denmark, a Thoroughbred, and the second is from Mambrino Chief, an American Trotter.

Denmark was the breed pillar or founder of greatest importance. He was by imported Hedgeford and his dam was Betsy Harrison by Aratus, second dam by Old Potomac, third dam by imported Saltram, fourth dam by Symme's Wildair, fifth dam by Driver, and sixth dam by imported Fallower. Denmark is duly registered as a thoroughbred in the American Stud Book. He was foaled in 1839 and stood in Fayette county, Kentucky. Thrice mated with the Stevenson Mare, whose pidegree was unknown, Denmark sired Rob Roy, Gaines Denmark, and Muirs Denmark. Rob Roy died at four years, and Muirs Denmark was not much known, so that modern pedigrees trace to Denmark through Gaines Denmark. Of the 5,980 horses registered in the first two volumes of the stud book, closing in 1909, 4,031 or 67.4 per cent trace to Denmark in the male line—in other words, belong to the Denmark family. Of these 4,031 horses, 4,019 trace through Gaines Denmark.

Gaines Denmark's four greatest sons were Washington Denmark, Diamond Denmark, Star Denmark, and Sumpter Denmark. About three-fourths of all present Saddlers trace to Washington Denmark. He was foaled in 1855 and lived thirteen years.

Black Squirrel, Montrose and Rex Denmark are among the most noted sires of the breed. They were all Denmarks. Highland Denmark, foaled in 1890, by Black Squirrel, was another great sire of the Denmark line. Chester Dare, by Black Squirrel, made a wonderful reputation as a sire of brood mares, and in the male line has left some noted progeny.

Probably the greatest saddle stallion that ever lived, judged by his records as a show horse and sire, was Rex McDonald, foaled in 1890, and owned in Missouri. He was by Rex Denmark, and his dam was by Black Squirrel.

The Chief family is the great rival line to that of the Denmarks. The founder of this line was Mambrino Chief, an American Trotter, foaled in New York in 1844 and taken to Kentucky in 1854 where he remained until he died in 1862. His sire was Mambrino Paymaster, a son of the thoroughbred horse Mambrino, and his dam by imported Paymaster. Mambrino Chief's dam was a mare of unknown breeding.

Mambrino Chief sired Clark Chief, and he in turn sired Harrison Chief. The latter left eight noted sons, the best of which was Bourbon Chief and Wilson's King. Bourbon Chief was the greatest progenitor of this family. He sired great sires and great show horses. His best son was Bourbon King, foaled in 1900, dam by Wilson's King. He sired many famous three-gaited and combination horses as well as five-gaited individuals.

The most prominent Morgan infusion came through Indian Chief, foaled in 1857. No prominent sire traces to him in the male line, but his name occurs frequently in pedigrees. He was by Blood's Black Hawk, by Vermont Black Hawk, by Sherman Morgan, by Justin Morgan.

Up to the time of the Civil War the demand for these horses was only moderate. When the war broke out these horses, both mares and stallions, were pressed into service. The war was the first check on the breed. Following the war the Trotter became popular throughout the country, and this gave the Saddler a second setback, because many saddle mares were mated with trotting sires. Following this, however, the saddle blood was gradually gotten together and an endeavor made to keep it pure.

In 1891 the National Saddle Horses Breeders' Association published their first stud book. The name of the association has since been changed to the American Saddle Horse Association.

A leading Kentucky breeder presents the points of typical American saddle horses in the following brief paragragh:

"The typical saddle horse does not differ materially from other light horses in conformation. The characteristics peculiar to the type are a long, clean neck, sloping pasterns and shoulders, withers moderately high and narrow, smoothly turned quarters, and a well-set, high-carried tail. In action there should be promptness, ease and precision in going from gait to gait, and absolute straightness and evenness in each. The rack should be smooth, swift and without side motion of the body or legs, the trot should be fast and without offensive flashiness, the canter should be slow with no increasing speed, the flat-footed walk should be springy and reasonably fast, while the running walk or fox trot should be easy and comfortable and equal to about five miles an hour."

This horse must know five or more gaits if he is to be called typical of his breed. Four of these gaits must be the walk, trot, canter and rack; in addition to these four the horse must have one or more of three slow gaits—the running walk, fox trot and slow pace.

The height is usually from 15.1 to 15.3 hands, and the weight from 1,000 to 1,150 pounds. This horse wears a natural mane and tail, in contrast to the other types of saddle horses. Breeders lay stress upon loftiness of carriage, airiness of movement, refinement, intelligence, docility with high spirit and courage—withal, great beauty in every detail of conformation, without any sacrifice of those qualities which insure durability and creditable performance of the work demanded of a saddle horse. The most common and best liked colors are bay, brown, chestnut and black.

An ideal saddler will naturally have a head showing unusually kind disposition and high intelligence. The head should be set at the right angle on a very long, refined neck that is nicely arched. Much attention should be given to the slope of pastern and shoulder, for straight pasterns and shoulders are almost certain to make the horse a hard rider. Height and refinement of withers are necessary for a similar reason and also in order that the saddle may be made secure. The extension of the shoulder into the back, and shortness and strength of coupling are very important. The saddle horse is somewhat upstanding, and the head and tail should be smartly carried.

The saddle horse should possess a high degree of quality, and lots of smoothness from end to end. Rotundity of body is a highly desirable feature. Levelness of croup is more important in the saddle horse than in any other type; if a horse has a steep croup, the defect is magnified a great deal when the saddle is placed on his back, and he presents a plain appearance.

The disposition should be kind, willing, honest and courageous. There should be docility with high spirit and animation.—American Breeder.

BOOK NOTICES.

No matter how good a horseman one may be there is none that cannot derive much information and knowledge from the perusal of "Modern Horse Management," a book from the press of Cassell & Co., London, and which can be obtained through the Breeder and Sportsman. The author of the work, Capt. R. S. Timmis of the Royal Canadian Dragoons, is now with the English army "somewhere in France." There have been many volumes written and printed on horse management, but this from the pen of Capt. Timmis is on modern lines and more practical in every way than most works on the horse. The author has had years of practical experience and in fact prepared the greater part of this book while sojourning in Canada, where conditions as regards horse management are much the same as in the United States. The work opens with an interesting history of the horse from the earliest dates and the headings of the succeeding chapters will give some idea of the ground covered: Psychology of the Horse; Foods and Feeding, Exercise and Transport; Grooming and Stable Management; Driving and Harness; Riding and Saddles; Stable Construction and Circulatory System; Surgical Diseases, Lameness, Teeth and Conformation; Pharmacopœia and Uses of Medicine; General Diseases, Organic, Functional and Contagious; Anatomy and Use of the Horse's Tail; The Crime of Docking; Opinions of Eminent Men, Books and the Press on Docking; Humane Education, the Law; Anaesthetics and Anaesthesia, Humane Destruction; Bacteriology, Antiseptics and the Theory of Disease; On Shoeing and the Care of Feet, and the Use and Abuse of Reins. In short, there is hardly any question relating to horse management that is not covered in this work. There are nearly 500 illustrations made from photographs or drawings and the book is a royal quarto of 316 pages. The price of the book by mail postpaid is $5, and it can be ordered through this office.

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The Veterinary Handbook and Visiting List, just received from the publishers, J. B. Lippincott Co., Philadelphia, is exactly what its name implies—a handbook for constant use. It is a pocket volume of a size which can be easily slipped into the inside or outside pocket of a coat or ulster. The content gives a variety of tables of much value to the veterinarian or druggist, and also a large number of carefully annotated pages for records of charges or visits. The body of the book is devoted to prescription writing. It is well-night an impossibility to hold in your memory the mass of detailed information presented in these tables, but a splendid substitute for poor memory is to have in your pocket a table of over 350 drugs with the proper bases, adjuvants, corrections and vehicles, and amounts for safe doses for the horse, the cow, the sheep, the calf or foal, the pig, the dog, and with notes upon variations. As a first aid to the proper writing of prescriptions it will be impossible to find a more handy and reliable work. Its author is Thos. B. Rogers, D.V.D., a member of the Pennsylvania State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners. The price of the book is $1.50.

Geo. K. Barton, a leading dry goods merchant and horseman of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, who came to California a few months ago in search of health, died May 10th, aged 62 years. He owned Waveland, one of the show places of Iowa, which was stocked with prize cattle and horses, trotters and saddle horses being his favorites. He owned the show mare Cigarette, winner of many prizes at the Missouri and Iowa shows of last year, and recently sold at a big price.

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Entries for the four steeplechase stakes to be run at Saratoga during August showed an increase of 122 over last year at their closing with Racing Secretary A. McL. Earlocker. For these four events last year there were 117 nominations. This season there are 239. The largest increase is shown in the Shillelah Handicap, with $1,000 added. Last year this event was run under selling conditions and the distance was two and one-half miles. The course has been changed to two miles.

Notes and News

DATES OF FAIRS.

CALIFORNIA.

Butte Co. Fair at Chico	May 22-28
Monterey Co. Fair at Salinas	July 10-11
Sonoma, Marin, Mendocino and Humboldt Fair, (P. C. T. H. B. A. Meeting) at Santa Rosa,	Aug. 9-12
Solano Co. Fair at Dixon	Aug. 16-19
Yolo Co. Fair at Woodland (date not fixed).	
State Fair at Sacramento	Sept. 2- 9
Alameda Co. Fair at Pleasanton	Sept. 13-16
Ventura Co. Fair at Ventura	Sept. 13-16
Community Fair at Ripon	Sept. 15-16
Fresno Co. Fair at Fresno	Sept. 26-30
Kings Co. Fair at Hanford	Oct. 2- 7
Kern Co. Fair at Bakersfield (date not fixed).	
Riverside Co. Fair at Riverside	Oct. 10-14

ARIZONA.

Arizona State Fair at Phoenix	Nov. 13-18

NORTH PACIFIC FAIR ASSOCIATION.

Vancouver, Can., Exhibition at Vancouver,	Aug. 14-19
Southwest Washington Fair at Chehalis	Aug. 28-Sept. 2
Interestate Fair at Spokane	Sept. 4- 9
Grays Harbor Co. Fair at Elma	Sept. 6-10
Walla Walla Co. Fair at Walla Walla	Sept. 11-13
Washington State Fair at North Yakima	Sept. 18-23
Oregon State Fair at Salem	Sept. 25-30

INTER-MOUNTAIN FAIR CIRCUIT.

Montpelier, Idaho	August 14
Rexburg, Idaho	August 21
Blackfoot, Idaho	August 28
LaGrande, Oregon	September 4
Baker, Oregon	September 11
Ontario, Oregon	September 18
Boise, Idaho	September 25
Salt Lake, Utah	October 2

Roy Carruthers, manager of the Palace and Fairmont Hotels, was in Louisville last Saturday to see the Kentucky Derby.

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The Iowa State College sold a crossbred Clydesdale-Shire gray gelding weighing 2050 pounds last week for $400.

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Mr. Edgar J. DePue, who is now in New York with 17 head of ride and drive horses from the Woodland Hackney Stud, has placed them on private sale at Durland's Riding Academy.

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The Board of Supervisors of Monterey county has appropriated $1000 for premiums at the agricultural fair which will be held on Monday and Tuesday, July 10th and 11th, at the Salinas race track.

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The matinee races of the Sonoma Driving Club, which were scheduled for Sunday, May 28th, have been postponed until a date to be selected in the early part of June.

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According to the records of the Shire Horse Society of England only 36 Shires were exported to the United States in 1915, 17 to Argentina and 6 to Canada. And if the war continues there will be fewer exported during 1916.

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Why not have a half mile saddle race for the saddle bred horses at the State and other fairs this year? They could trot or single foot according to prearranged conditions and should show some speed as well as make an interesting race.

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The second annual Community Fair of southern San Joaquin county will be held at Ripon Sept. 15th and 16th. The departments will include cattle, horses, swine, sheep, poultry, etc., and only the products of Southern San Joaquin county will be entitled to enter and compete for premiums.

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A breeder's meeting held to give time records to a number of trotters and pacers was being held at Exposition Park, Los Angeles as we went to press yesterday (Friday). The Los Angeles Harness Horse Association had charge of the meeting and nine or ten horses were carded to start. We hope to have the official results in time for our next issue.

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Beautiful Bertha by Moormont, dam Abbie McNutward (dam of Greatness (3) 2:10¼) by Guy McKinney, foaled April 5th a large, handsome, chestnut trotting filly by Silkworthy which has been named Silky Berbells in commemoration of the union of the Silk, Bertha and Beautiful Bells families. Here is also united the blood of Bingen, Axworthy and McKinney. Beautiful Bertha is being bred this year to Electric Forbes, son of Malcolm Forbes 47353 (son of Bingen and Nancy Hanks, brother to Admiral Dewey 2:04) and Allie Paine 2:18¼ by Rensselaer Wilkes 2:11¼, etc. This royally bred and beautifully gaited young trotting stallion belongs to Mr. L. M. Paine of Hayward, his breeder, who gave his dam her record and still owns her.

In the $10,000 2:08 trot at Kalamazoo and the $5000 2:08 trot at Grand Rapids, Spriggan and Virginia Barnette will trot for California.

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M. W. Savage says that when he paid $60,000 for Dan Patch it was all cash and that he has yet to buy a horse when part of the price is trade.

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The Black Hawk Stock Ranch of Burlingame has sent six of its representative Shires—three stallions and three mares—to the Butte County Fair which opens at Chico next Monday.

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Well, well! What do you know about this? No less than five four-in-hand equipages, all of them very imposing as to horses, coaches and appointments, were seen on the west drive in Central Park, New York, one day last week.

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The New York State Fair has received 210 entries for the nine trotting and pacing events announced for its fair this year. The $10,000 purse for 2:08 class trotters has no less than 34 horses nominated. The $5,000 purse for 2:11 class pacers has received 22 nominations.

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It is dollars to apples that the Solano County Fair to be held at Dixon August 16th to 19th will draw a big crowd every day of the four. Dixon is the center of one of the richest agricultural, dairy and stock breeding sections of the United States. $1000 has been appropriated by the county supervisors for premiums.

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Lon Daniels is getting ready to start from Sacramento Tuesday next and will ship direct to Cleveland with Chas. Silva's string of horses. Will DeRyder will ship Spriggan 2:08¼ and Dicto 2:09¼, both the property of Dunne & Lowery, in the same car. Harry Bell will probably go along with Grattan Boy 2:09½. Good luck to them all.

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Senator O'Brien (1) 2:29 by Peter the Great, and Suldine (2) 2:12 by Worthy McKinney, the colts that C. A. Harrison topped the Indianapolis sale with, will both go into training for their stake engagements. The Senator will go into the stable of Everett Osborn at Muncie, Ind., and Suldine into Walter Trainer's stable.

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The Central New York Association of Agricultural Societies, composed of twenty-one fairs at which harness racing is a prominent feature, passed a resolution at its annual meeting in Cortland, N. Y., the other day censuring the trade papers of the trotting turf for their attacks on the present management of the National Trotting Association.

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The Intermountain Fair and Racing Circuit will furnish eight weeks of harness and running racing from August 15th to October 7th this year. The full program of purses and classes will be found in our advertising pages. There are short ships between the different points and the purses are liberal. Send to Joseph Waddell, Secretary-Treasurer of the circuit at Baker, Oregon, for the stake book and entry blanks.

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Henry Rutherford, who shipped to Indianapolis with Charley DeRyder, is now located at that track with three head. The trio consists of the four-year-old trotter, George N. Patterson (3) 2:12¼, by On Voyage, a green pacing mare by Charley D., dam Cricket 2:10, and a two-year-old trotting colt called Sequoia, by The Bondsman, and out of Yu Tu, the dam of George N. Patterson. Rutherford thinks well of the latter and has named him in some of the early closing events on the Orange County Circuit.

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It is stated that S. A. Fletcher of Indianapolis, who recently paid $50,000 for Peter the Great 2:07¼, has now purchased the wonderful young broodmare Nervolo Belle, that at 10 years of age is the dam of Peter Volo 2:02, Volga (2) 2:07¾, Donna Volo (p) 2:18¼ and Petress Volo 2:27¼. Mr. Fletcher paid $10,000 to G. L. Knight of Kentucky for the mare. She is in foal to Moko and will be bred to Peter the Great again this year.

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According to an official entry list sent by Secretary Pearson of Hartford, the five early closing events of the Charter Oak Park Grand Circuit meeting, exclusively for mile track horses, have received a total of 94 entries, or an average of a shade less than 19 per event. The classes are the $5,000 Charter Oak Stake, 2:08 trot, 18; the 2:08 pace, 11; the Devereux Limited, 14; the three-year-old trot, 21, and the two-year-old trot, 20, the total value of the five being $14,000.

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Mr. J. H. Booth of Roseburg, Oregon, member of the Board of Review of the National Trotting Association, dropped into the Breeder and Sportsman office last week for a short visit on his return from the meeting of the Board held in New York May 2d. Mr. Booth is very sanguine that the recent "tempest in a teapot" in National and American affairs has passed and that it has been succeeded by a calm in which the two associations will be brought closer together, and work for the best interests of trotting horse breeding, and racing will go on with more earnest co-operation than ever before. Mr. Booth's friends will be pleased to know that he has greatly improved in health during the past few months.

California horsemen will take a pardonable pride in the fact that Star Hawk, who made such a remarkable showing in the Kentucky Derby last week, is owned by a resident of California, Mr. A. K. Macomber of Burlingame, was trained by another resident of California, the well known turfman Walter Jennings, and while an English bred colt, Star Hawk is bred in the stoutest of American lines on his dam's side. He is by Sunstar and his dam Sweet Finch was bred by the late J. B. Haggin. Sweet Finch was by imported Goldfinch, second dam Luciana by imported Sir Modred, third dam Schoolgirl by Pat Malloy, fourth dam Glenluine by imported Glenelg, fifth dam Lute by Lexington.

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That good broodmare Daphne McKinney, dam of the pacer Frank N. 2:07¼, and of the sire Bon McKinney 2:24¼, sire of Bon Courage 2:08¼, is the dam of a two-year-old filly now being given her first work over the Pleasanton track that gives great promise. The filly was found to be very lame last fall when running at pasture and on examination a long splinter was found in her ankle. When after much treatment the wound finally healed it left an enlargement which by patient work has been reduced until it is scarcely noticeable. The filly has been driven a little this spring by her owner, W. E. Detels, and on Wednesday of last week trotted a mile in 2:39½ with the last quarter the fastest of the four. The sire is Graham Bellini 2:11¼ and as she is well staked Detels is rather congratulating himself that he did not chloroform her, which he was inclined to do when he first saw her after her injury.

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A lot of conversation is being carried on these days, whenever two or more harness horsemen are gathered together, with the black five-year-old pacer All McKinney as the subject. As a majority of our readers are doubtless aware, this black fellow is owned by T. W. Barstow of San Jose, who bred and is training him. We believe All McKinney never started in a race, but if those who have witnessed his recent work are not mistaken he is fit to enter in almost any company. Geo. W. Lowery remarked the other day, "He looks more like a race horse right now than any horse I have seen for some time." Lowery was at San Jose last week watching his horse Spriggan 2:08¼ at work and says DeRyder with "the winner of the $20,000" and Barstow with All McKinney worked together. They went a mile in 2:18 or thereabouts and Spriggan stepped the last quarter in 30 seconds flat, but in the last hundred yards Barstow gave the pacer his head just to show the boys how he could step and he left Spriggan as though the latter was tied. Lowery says he never saw such speed in a green horse. He thought right then that he could afford to pay $1750 for a horse of that sort and made Barstow that offer for All McKinney, and when the offer was politely refused he raised it a hundred although he said he could not afford it, and that also was given a genteel turn-down, Mr. Barstow saying another person is interested in the horse with him and they must have $2500 for All McKinney or they would race him. Lowery came back to San Francisco and sent a friend down to look the pacer over and try to buy him. What the result was we have not learned. All McKinney is inbred to McKinney, his sire and dam both being by that horse. He is by Nearest McKinney 2:13¼, dam Mrs. Weller by McKinney, second dam that speed whirlwind of 1898 Much Better 2:07¼, by Charles Derby.

MATINEE AT HOLLISTER.

The light harness season of 1916 opened last Sunday at the Riverside track, under the auspices of the Hollister Driving Club.

A fair sized crowd was present to see the sport, but only two contests were carded, the buggy horse race, one-half mile heats, three in five, and the 2:30 class trot, two in three.

R. I. Orr, president of the club, officiated as starting judge, while Robert Orr Jr. acted as secretary. The timers were John Soares and John Cruz, of Watsonville.

The first race had three starters: Geo. Cagney's Dan Patch, Jerry Wright's Stanford White and Geo. E. Shaw's Little Nell. It was the latter's first start in a race, and in addition to being slightly outclassed, she was nervous and flighty, although she was ably driven by the old veteran Mat. Zahner. Dan Patch was driven in the first heat by his owner and in the other two by Frank J. Neilson. Stanford White was piloted by Al. G. Willson. The two latter horses made a close and interesting race, but Stanford White had the foot of Patch and came in the winner in all three heats. Time for the half-mile being 1:20, 1:22½ and 1:19.

Patch was second and Nell third in each heat.

The next race, a two in three affair, had as starters Jack Kydd's Ben Alto with Joe Sanchez as driver, Jerry Wright's Oro Guy with Al. Willson up, and William McLeod's Benito B with Mat Zahner at the helm.

This was a very close race, Ben Alto breaking in both heats and allowing the old horse Oro Guy to come in first in each, with Ben second and Benito B., who also broke badly, coming in third. Time, 1:15, 1:15.

The track was in fine shape and the club will give another afternoon in the near future.

Thoroughbred Matters

GEORGE SMITH WINS KENTUCKY DERBY.

Sixty thousand people, the largest crowd ever seen at Churchill Downs, saw a little black horse with the unromantic name of George Smith win the romantic Kentucky Derby at the famous Louisville course last Saturday. It was a hard-earned victory and there will always be plenty of argument to support the claim that Star Hawk, the imported son of Sunfast, owned by Mr. A. K. Macomber of Burlingame, California, was the best horse as he was left standing flat-footed when the barrier was raised and was coming with a rush at the finish, gaining at every stride. The mile and a quarter was run in 2:04, which time has never been beaten or equaled but once in this event and that was when Old Rosebud won it in 2:03 2-5. The first quarter was run in :22 2-5, the half mile in :46 2-5, the six furlongs in 1:12 1-5, and the mile in 1:38 4-5.

The Derby was the fifth race on the card, and it was 5:15 o'clock when the horses reached the post. There was but little delay at the barrier, and within a minute they were on their way. Dodge, who ran coupled with Franklin as the Weber & Ward entry, was the first to show colors, and his stablemate dashed away right behind him. Dominant, who was coupled with Thunderer as the Harry Payne Whitney entry, followed the Weber & Ward pair, and he immediately dashed into a long lead.

Passing the stand for the first time Dominant had a big lead and appeared to be running easily, but after reaching the back side of the track it was evident that he was not good enough to last it out. Franklin was running close to him and appeared to be ready to run over him. George Smith was in third position, and Jockey Johnny Loftus was carefully nursing him along, reserving his speed for the gruelling drive through the stretch, which he knew must come. Nearing the three furlong pole Dominant gave it up and then Loftus called on George Smith.

The Sanford colt bounded to the front at a rapid rate and soon had a lead of a length over his field, with Franklin closest to him. Then it was that Star Hawk loomed up as a dangerous contender as he finally found his stride and had clear sailing. In the stretch, though, Loftus kept hard at work on George Smith, while Jockey Walter Lilley, who rode Star Hawk, was making vigorous efforts to get him up.

Between the sixteenth pole and the finish it looked as though Star Hawk could make it, but Loftus's experience served him well and he never drove a horse harder than he drove George Smith.

Without detracting from the brilliant performance of the winner, it was the concensus of opinion that Star Hawk was the better horse, and that only racing luck brought about his defeat. Lilley had failed to have him going away well, and all through the running he appeared unable to make the colt give up his best. Then through the stretch Loftus outrode him when the final pinch came.

The showing of the Whitney pair was disappointing to the Eastern contingent and to Trainer Jimmy Rowe himself, who was the picture of confidence before the race. Thunderer did not show to advantage at any stage of the race, but he finally managed to beat his stablemate, he finishing fifth, and Dominant seventh.

Nine 3-year-old colts contested for the race, which was worth $12,745 gross. Of this amount the winner received $9,750, the second horse $2,000, the third horse $1,000, and the fourth horse saved starting and nomination fees, which amounted to $225.

Mr. Sanford was on hand to see his high priced colt perform. There was not a happier person at the track than Mr. Sanford after the finish, and not a more nervous person, according to his own statement, while the horses were racing through the stretch.

A. K. Macomber, owner of Star Hawk, saw the big race with a party of friends, and after the event was over said that while he hated to lose the race under such circumstances, he knew that his crack imported English horse was not disgraced. His other horse, The Cock, did not run such a bad race, finishing sixth.

The Whitney entry was favorite in the race, being 105 to 100 in the pari mutuels. George Smith was second choice at 415 to 100. Everything in the race was well played, Lena Misha, the longest-priced horse in the race, being 3,530 to 100.

The Kentucky Derby for three-year-olds—one mile and a quarter, value to winner $9,750, second $2,000, third $1,000. Won driving. Winner blk. c. George Smith by Out of Reach—Consuello III; Star Hawk second, Franklin third. Dodge, Thunderer, The Cock, Dominant, Kinney and Lena Misha finished as named.

George Smith was given a great demonstration when he walked back, a little blown but still full of fire, into the circle in front of the judges' stand.

He was greeted with cheer after cheer while he stood quietly as a wreath was placed about his neck. His owner, John Sanford, who has seen his horses win many a stake, was the happiest man on the track. He had paid $22,500 for the colt last year just to win the Derby with him this spring, and the colt had lived up to his promise. It was also the first time Mr. Sanford ever scored in the big stake.

The day was ideal for racing. There was just enough haze in the air to counteract the scorching rays of the sun. The track was very fast. Everything had been done to make the great crowd comfortable, and though the inclosure was packed, no real discomfort was felt, except in the betting shed, where men fought to get in line.

Royal Racing at Reno.

The Reno meeting of nineteen days beginning July 1st bids fair to be even more phenomenally successful than the one of 1915, which is saying, in Piute, "heap much." The stakes, which close June 20th, are eight in number, with the Nevada Derby worth $2,500, the Business Men's Handicap $2,000, with several of $1,000 value. This will insure the coming of a host of really good horses to Reno, which is a delightful place at this time of the year. The racing-lovers can thrill over the fishing at beautiful Lake Tahoe in the morning and enthuse over the kingly sport in the afternoon—enjoy an outing such as no place in the world affords, in all probability, and in balmy air found in few places like that at Reno.

The horses of George Wingfield, Charles W. Clark, Charles T. Boots, Alfred Joseph and Edward Cebrian would alone furnish plenty of good sport, but when are added the hundreds now at Tijuana (expected to close down about June 25th) there will certainly be horse-racing reminding one of the racing at Louisville, Bowie or even New York.

Among the speed-burners almost sure to sport silk there we can mention Celesta, Star Shooter, Washoe Belle, Frisky, Aunt Liz, Brynlimah, Rash, Seneca, Brando, Vesta, Hyki, Ed Cudihee, Fascinating, Gordon Russell, Orange Blossom, Parachute, Loftus, John Graham, Foeman, Prince Conrad, Adalid and Magic.

The program of stakes was distributed at Tijuana several days ago. Entries to these close June 20th, and their conditions are suitable to both sprinters and distance horses. The program for the nineteen days is in the hands of the printer and will be out in a very short time. J. A. Schas, an old turfman, is the manager of the Reno meet, J. B. Duncan is President and Ralph H. Tozer Racing Secretary.

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Belmont Park Opens Next Week.

An unusually high-class program of sport has been arranged for the eighteen-day session of the Westchester Racing Association which opens on May 25 at Belmont Park, New York. Seventeen stakes will be decided during the period, while many overnight handicaps and races for the better class of selling platers have been planned.

For the opening day the Metropolitan Handicap, at one mile, with $2,000 added, and the New York Steeplechase are companion features. Judging from the list of eligibles the best performers in their respective classes will compete for these rich stakes. There will also be two events for juveniles, while platers of the first rank will test their speed over the six-furlong and mile routes.

Last year Eddie Dugan sigalized his return to the saddle in this country by winning the Metropolitan Handicap with August Belmont's Stromboli. The chestnut son of Fair Play and St. Priscilla, which ranked second to Roamer in 1915, will be met by much sterner opposition than that which he vanquished last year. The Suburban Handicap, another of the stellar attractions of the meeting, will be decided on Decoration Day, with the International Steeplechase Handicap as a companion feature.

In the Suburban, which has an added value of $2,,500, the pick of distance runners in the country have been named, and it is significant that August Belmont's Stromboli also won this event a year ago. He is again eligible, but will be forced to match strides with such performers as Roamer, Borrow, Star Hawk, Pebbles, The Finn, Sharpshooter, George Smith, Clapperbill, Chicle, and Bromo.

Another feature of the meeting will be the appearance of the numerous high-bred imported horses which were purchased in England last Autumn. Many royally bred juveniles from across the water have been named for the rich two-year-old stakes, and not a small number of older horses which gained their education in England and on the Continent will sport silks.

The rule adopted last spring in reference to scratching will be continued this season, and 10 per cent of the purse will be charged for any withdrawals below six.

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Thoroughbreds From France.

A cargo of thoroughbred horses, all bred at Haras de Villers, France, the thoroughbred breeding farm of August Belmont, reached New York last week, consigned to that gentleman. These horses are some of the best bred that have ever been brought to this country. In the lot are eight three-year-old colts. The French Government refused to permit the exportation of fillies, owing to the war, as they desire to keep within their borders a nucleus from which their great breeding studs may be rehabilitated after peace has been declared. The older horses will be sent to Belmont Park, where they will be prepared by Trainer Sam Hildreth for the coming campaign on the metropolitan circuit. The three-year-olds include Ampere, a bay colt by Ethelbert and Viewpoint, a full brother to the good performer Rockview. Among the yearlings are Beaumarais, a brown colt by Alcantara, out of Qu'elle est Bistouri, winner of the French Oaks, and Bistouri, a boy colt by Tracery, out of Ballot Bred, the first foal of the famous Beldame.

Racing at Tijuana.

Big fields are starting in nearly every race at the tamale track below San Diego and while there are few horses of class, the racing has been very good and favorites and second choices have been winning very frequently. Stories float up from there that the books are being hard hit, but as these rumors are always prevalent whenever horses run anywhere near to form, they may be taken ("I speak no language but mine own") cum grano salis.

Parachute is regarded as one of the best three-year-olds on the track, his winning of the Dupee handicap last Saturday—one mile in 1:39 4-5, the track record—making him the topic of conversation since. He is being pointed for the Tijuana Derby which will be run in June.

Leon Wing writes that, as a matter of fact only a few long shots have gone through at the meeting with an unusual amount of support. The other day when Miss Sherwood won at 30 to 1, one bookmaker lost $1000 to the race instead of holding the majority of the money. These are the breaks that have caused them to holler. The play continues on the improve, and they say $90,000 was handled in the ring Sunday. There were thirteen books in operation, and the money takers had their troubles keeping up with the rush.

B. A. Jones, whose two-year-old racers have won many purses at Tijuana will leave shortly for his big breeding ranch at Parnell, Mo., to see that his coming crop of juveniles are being put in condition for racing early next year. This is Jones' first trip to the Pacific coast with horses to race and sell and he is pleased with the results. Juanita Frederick, Peep Again, Gulf Stream, Old Harry and other winners now at Tijuana are products of the Jones breeding farm. He has 40 highly bred broodmares and four sires in Harrigan, Blues, Waldo and Seth, the last named by the valuable imported Adam.

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Death of Ornament.

Ornament, a truly great horse, is dead at the age of twenty-two years. His life ended at Beaumont Farm, Kentucky, April 26th and he died the property of the man who bred him, Mr. H. P. Headley. Ornament was a chestnut horse, foaled 1894, sired by imported Order, dam Victorine by Onondaga, second dam Maria D. by Lisbon, third dam Crucifix by Lexington, fourth dam Lightsome by imported Glencoe. From his first appearance as a two-year-old, when he won impressively from a good field of youngsters, until his retirement after having won the Brighton Handicap at one and a quarter miles with 120 pounds up, his racing career was a series of great victories. Ornament won four Derbies, the Clark Stakes, Twin City Handicap, both ends of the Double Event, Flatbush Stakes, Brooklyn Handicap carrying top weight, 127 pounds, Brighton Handicap, Himyar Stakes, and eight other races, twenty wins in all and nearly $90,000. He was the best two-year-old of 1896 and the best three-year-old of 1897, and the best horse of the all aged division as a four-year-old. He was retired absolutely sound and at the stud his success was such that he occupied a prominent place on the Twenty List from the time his get were three-year-olds in 1903, until he was taken out of active service. Among the many good horses sired by Ornament are Sheriff Bell, Montreson, John Carroll, Princess Orne, Stroller, Gallavant, Merlingo, Raleigh P. D., Reidmoore, King's Daughter, Aletheno, Montfort, Beaucoup, etc.

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Death of La Fleche.

The death of that wonderful race mare La Fleche was announced in England during April. She was a brown mare by St. Simon out of Quiver by Toxopholite and was sold as a yearling for £5,500, then sold in 1896 when a broodmare for £12,500. She raced from two to five and won £34,703. Since the late Sir Tatton Sykes acquired the mare, five of her produce have been sold as yearlings at public auction, and they realized an aggregate of 17,900 guineas, Baroness Le Fleche making 5200 guineas, Arc de Triomphe 4700 guineas, John o' Gaunt 3000 guineas, Strong Bow 2700 guineas, and Sagitta 2300 guineas. Le Fleche, however, like many another great racer, cannot be described as a really successful brood mare, although she handsomely repaid the outlay made by Sir Tatton.

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E. R. Bradley, who purchased Consuello II, the dam of George Smith, at a Lexington sale for $1300 sold her to John Sanford afterwards for $9,000. It was several months after that Sanford bought George Smith.

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Governor Stanley of Kentucky attended the opening at Louisville and picked four winners, all of which he backed for a small amount in the pari mutuels.

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O. A. Bianchi has received several flattering offers for his good sire, Jim Gaffney, but he is holding out for a bigger price. Gaffney has not had much chance in the stud, but has turned out some remarkable race horses.

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The management of the Louisville Jockey Club refused to sell the moving picture privilege for Derby day and told all the film companies to go to it. At least 20 motion picture operators were scattered about the grounds.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

CHANGES TO FISHING LAWS.

When the California State Legislature meets after the first of the year there will be some proposals made to change the present laws governing fishing. The California Anglers' Association will wage a campaign to switch the opening of the trout season back to the original date of April 1st, instead of a month later, as was the case this year. Another suggestion is that no trout less than five inches minimum length will be lawful to catch.

The argument against opening the season as late as May 1st is that the water at that time is so low in the streams that the large trout had gone with the receding waters and it leaves only the smaller fish. It is especially true this season in view of the fact that no rain fell in April and the latter part of March. In April this season the fishing would have b een excellent while the reports as a whole have been disappointing. The Fish and Game Commission will not likely oppose the earlier opening.

The question about the size of the trout taken has been brought up because of the wholesale number of limit baskets of tiny fish. A five-inch law, it is thought, will correct this evil to some degree. Practically every state in the Union has similar regulations and it was only abolished in California about four years ago on the ground that little fish hooked and thrown back into the stream die anyhow. Experiments have shown that 72 per cent of the fish that are hooked and thrown back die within twenty-four hours. If the law was in effect, however, many fishermen would not fish when the conditions were not right to make big catches. Cases have also come to notice where small trout have been used for striped bass bait.

One of the pleasing features of the fishing season so far has been the small percentage of violations of the law. Of the thousands who have turned out all over the state since May 1st only eight arrests for fishing without license or catching more than the limit were made. The deputies have been active as the weekly reports indicate, but it is evidence that the people are getting educated to the laws in effect. During April violations were more frequent. There were twenty-four cases of fishing out of season. Many of these were due to the fact that the season had opened in previous years on April first and there was a misunderstanding.

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Although black bass fishing came in on May 1st there have been few big catches recorded. The reason is given that the water is too high as yet in the popular black bass streams and rivers. In the San Joaquin district the deputies state that few if any bass have been taken so far.

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Wild Horse Lake, the water supply of Vallejo, proved a good trout spot the opening week of the season. Two hundred and twenty anglers took out 1800 pounds of trout, which gave some fairly large individual catches.

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If you happen to make a big trout catch, do not brag unless you are fortified with an angler's license and are otherwise keeping within the law. This bit of free advice is given because a Southern Californian, Sorter by name, hooked a 30-inch steelhead trout on opening day and proceeded to claim the trophy that had been set up by a Los Angeles paper for that honor. Sortor was accordingly given a deal of publicity and it led to the fact that he hooked said prize trout without having a license. He was duly arrested and now the other anglers are protesting about awarding the trophy to Sortor on the ground that he caught the trout illegally.

BEAR HUNT IN ALASKA.

To hunt, with gun and camera, the Kodiak grizzly bear, regarded by naturalists America's most ferocious mammal, A. J. Buzard, Spokane county game commissioner, Al Smith, moving picture man, both of Spokane; W. A. Hilles, a rifle shot of national reputation, and W. A. Wright, a naturalist, left Seattle Thursday for Kodiak island, Alaska. The hunt will last two months.

It is reported from the Kodiak district that the tracks of bears measuring 18 inches have been found on the island. Such a track could be made only by a bear of 2500 pounds estimated weight. Smith will take a number of pictures of the hunt. Hilles and Buzard will do the shooting.

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The Spokane county game commission is about to turn Mount Spokane into a deer pasture. Already Big Game Commissioner A. G. Gray has seen to the removal of 10 deer from Manito park to the slopes of the high peak and six more will be taken out to be liberated on the mountain-side within a few days. In addition to the deer, arrangements are being made to liberate six elk, three females and three males, in the county. "These deer will be under protection on Mount Spokane," said Mr. Gray.

BASS PLANTED IN THE SOUTH.

Silver Lake is closed to fishermen, and is to remain so until further notice. Chief Engineer Mulholland of the water board is a sportsman and does not believe in turning loose fishermen among artificially-planted bass when the fish are trying to establish themselves by spawning. Mr. Mulholland put the forefathers—and mothers—of those same bass in Buena Vista reservoir 25 years ago, and he hauled them 25 miles in a wagon behind Chapman's reservoir. So he feels a fatherly interest as well as a sportsmanlike interest in their preservation. The public will be given a full chance at them when the time is ripe and the fish are spent. More signs forbidding fishing have been posted.

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Croakers and yellowfins have been running at Sunset Beach briskly mornings and evenings of late. There is little sport in the middle of the day, but after 6 o'clock and before sun-up in the morning, after the fashion of croakers and yellowfins, handsome catches have been reported.

One man basketed six fish scaling 14 pounds. There has been a fair supply of clams in town all week.

Good sport is reported from the zeach also near Los Patos.

In the effort to repeat in Southern California the splendid success already attained by the Fish and Game Commission's efforts at introducing and propagating choice varieties of sporting and food-fish from the Atlantic coast, heavy plantings of striped bass will be brought down from San Francisco next fall and placed in ....ewport, Anaheim, Alamitos and False and San Diego bays.

Even if the bass do not prove sufficiently suited by this environment to propagate themselves, it may be possible to make heavy shipments of young every year and artificially keep up something of a stock in the bays by way of adding to the list of alongshore game fish, should it prove impossible to bring them to the plenty of the North, where they are a food of importance.

Striped bass require considerable volumes of fresh water entering the bays, as they run up rivers to spawn, and this year, owing to the Southern rivers being so much stronger than usual, is thought to be a particularly favorable time to try the experiment.

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Small plantings were made in Newport bay a number of years ago, and a considerable proportion of the fish apparently took hold, as some of 20 pounds have been taken and every year several small ones are reported which suggests that they breed somewhat. One of 39 inches' length full of spawn was seen at Anaheim Landing several years ago, taken in a net from which the captors tried to free it, without success, the fish dying in the haul to the sand. Evidently it was trying to get into fresh water to spawn.

All surf-casters in the South are vitally interested in the striped bass, which is the premier alongshore fish of the Atlantic coast, and every effort has been promised to aid the Fish and Game Commission in establishing it by reporting fish seen subsequently, and informing upon any illegal captors.

A few shad have wandered down South also, and the theory is advanced that these striped bass taken occasionally are stragglers also like the salmon sometimes caught, but no one knows. Great interest has been taken by San Diego surf-fishermen in the plantings.

PROGRAM FOR WASHINGTON STATE SHOOT.

The twenty-second annual tournament of the Washington State Sportsman's Association will be held at Seattle, Wash., on May 22, 23 and 24, with $450 added money. On May 22, preliminary day, the shooting will begin at 1:30 p. m., the program to consist of five 20-target events with an optional sweepstake of $2 on each event, purses divided into four moneys, per cent. plan. On the second day, May 23, there will be ten 15-target events, $1.50 entrance to each, $1 optional sweepstake on each event, and $15 added to the purse in each event; also a 25-target handicap event for the P. I. gold medal, and a 25-target handicap event for the Spokesman-Review medal. On May 24, the last day of the tournament, the program will consist of two 15 and one 20 target events, the Interstate Association's amateur state championship at 100 targets, the contest for the Smith gun trophy, 25 targets, the contest for the Rainer trophy, 25 targets, and a three-man team race, 25 targets each man, winning team receiving individual trophies and 50 per cent of the purse, the balance of the purse to go to second and third high teams, 30 and 20 per cent. The Squier money-back system will be used in order to protect the poorer shots. The annual meeting of the association will be held at the Washington Apartments, at 8 o'clock on the evening of May 22. The shooting will commence promptly each morning at 9 o'clock. For programs address the association's secretary, Hugh Fleming, Seattle, Wash.

NATIONAL SMALL BORE RIFLE MATCH.

To Secretaries of Rifle Clubs:

The attention of your club is called to the fact that entries should now be made for the Inter-Club Outdoor Small Bore Short Range Competition for 1916. The match will begin the week ending June 3d and conclude the week of August 5th, for a series of ten matches. Each club in good standing with the Association can enter one team, to consist of ten men, the five highest scores to count for the team's record. Prizes will go to the three highest teams, according to aggregate scores for all matches.

The entry fee is $5 per team and the entries will close May 30th. Conditions of the matches are being sent, with entry blanks attached. Last year there were 34 entries and it is hoped the list will be larger this year on account of the increased interest and number of clubs.

Trusting to receive an entry from your club, I am,

Yours very truly,

FRED H. PHILLIPS, Jr.,
Sec'y National Rifle Ass'n.

SCORES OF S. F. FLY-CASTING CLUB.

Members of the San Francisco Fly Casting Club participated in the regular Saturday and Sunday events, and some good performances were noted. C. H. Kewell's score of but two demerits in heavy tackle accuracy establishes a new record in this event.

F. J. Cooper made the longest single cast in half-ounce lure distance with a cast of 240 feet, his average being 207. The officials were as follows:

Sunday—W. J. Davis Jr., Joe Springer and J. F. Burgin, judges; F. J. Cooper, referee; Charles E. Hills Jr., clerk.

Saturday—P. W. Shattuck, Joe Springer and Colonel Edwards, judges; C. H. Kewell, referee; Charles E. Hills Jr., clerk. The scores for Saturday:—

Contestant.	—Delicacy— Accy.	Dicy.	Net.	H. T. Accy.
Col. G. C. Edwards	7	20	13½	15
C. H. Kekell	13	20	16½	5
F. A. Webster	22	15	18½	6
Col. C. G. Young	30	35	32½	15
A. H. Gardner	37	40	38½	18
J. F. Burgin	45	35	40	..
Joe Springer	28	60	44	25
P. W. Shattuck	56	45	50½	11
F. J. Cooper	..	..	..	14

Re-Entries:—

Heavy tackle, distance—Colonel Edwards 95, C. H. Kewell 111, F. A. Webster 101, Colonel Young 95, C. H. Gardner 83, J. F. Burgin 111, Joe Springer 86, P. W. Shattuck 116, F. J. Cooper 99, C. H. Kewell (re-entry), 113.

Half-ounce lure, accuracy—Colonel Edwards 54, C. H. Kewell 14, F. A. Webster 22, Colonel Young 19, C. H. Gardner 8, Joe Springer 32, P. W. Shattuck 31, F. J. Cooper 16. Re-entry—Joe Springer 31, C. H. Kewell 26, F. A. Webster 38.

Half-ounce lure, acuracy—C. H. Kewell 109.5; J. F. Burgin 86; Joe Springer 68; F. J. Cooper 177.7.

Sunday results:—

Contestant.	—Delicacy— Accy.	Dicy.	Net.	H. T. Accy.
C. H. Gardner	17	10	13½	18
Col. C. G. Young	22	15	18½	17
W. J. Davis Jr.	21	30	25½	11
Austin Sperry	24	30	27	15
C. H. Kewell	25	30	27½	2
H. Sperry	28	30	29	12
J. F. Burgin	40	20	30	..
Joe Springer	16	50	33	24
William Crawford	51	25	38	30
Dr. O. Westerfeld	28	55	41½	40
F. J. Cooper	..	..	..	14
P. W. Shattuck	..	..	..	12

Re-Entry List—

Heavy tackle, distance—C. H. Gardner, 88, W. J. Davis Jr. 97, Austin Sperry 93, C. H. Kewell 103, H. Sperry 104, J. F. Burgin 91, Joe Springer 89; William Crawford 90, F. J. Cooper 100, P. W. Shattuck 99. Re-entry list—Joe Springer 91.

Half-ounce lure, accuracy—C. H. Gardner 18, Colonel Young 29, W. J. Davis Jr. 15, Austin Sperry 34, C. H. Kewell 27, H. Sperry 25, J. F. Burgin 12, Joe Springer 28, William Crawford 21, Dr. O. Westerfeld 35, F. J. Cooper 40, P. W. Shattuck 14. Re-entry list—W. J. Davis Jr. 19, H. B. Sperry 38, Joe Springer 69.

Half-ounce lure, distance, average—C. H. Gardner 165, W. J. Davis Jr. 121, C. H. Kewell 148, William Crawford 130, F. J. Cooper 207.

Big Bear Valley.—Three high school boys have the record in stream fishing for this season, having snagged 350 trout after three days whipping of Bear Creek between the big dam and Slide Lake. The boys are Davenport Smith, Clio Burris and Harold Lineau, all of Redlands. The trout they caught run in length from six to ten inches. There is something queer about the stream fishing this year as it is good only in spots. In the Upper Santa Ana and headwaters of Bear Creek the fishing has been good but in the lower Santa Ana, from the mouth of the canyan to the Edison intake, there has not been a trout taken out this season. Old-timers say that the fish below the intake were all swept away in the heavy floods of January.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

Coast Shots In State Championships

OREGON, WASHINGTON, CALIFORNIA AND NEVADA WILL HOLD TOURNAMENTS THIS MONTH

Big Time Club.—The Causeway Challenge Cup, which was contested for for the first time at the Big Time Gun Club's shoot Sunday, was won by Dr. W. W. Goode of Sacramento, who broke 47 out of 50 blue rocks. Priest and Tharp were tied for second with 46 breaks. Ilgner shot 48, but his score did not count because he is a professional. Higgins and Brennan, also professionals, shot 46 and 40 respectively.

An interesting shoot was staged between three-men teams from the Ruhstaller and Newbert families, the Ruhstallers winning, 27 to 26 out of 30 birds each. Frank, Dave and A. Ruhstaller each broke nine out of ten. Frank Newbert broke the straight, while Monty and George broke eight each.

Mrs. D. E. Newbert won the women's shoot for the Kimball-Upson cup, breaking five out of ten rocks.

Dr. J. H. Stineman and Lee Gorman shot off the tie for the Klune & Floberg cup, the former winning with 23 birds out of 25. Gorman broke 18.

In practice Frank Newbert broke 64 straight rocks.

The best shooting for the Causeway Cup was as follows—50 targets:—

Ilgner 48, Goode 47, Tharp 46, Priest 46, Higgins 46, Stineman 45, F. Ruhstaller 44, D. Ruhstaller 44, Joerger 44, Criswell 44, F. Newbert 44, Gorman 43, Pearson 43, D. E. Newbert 41, F. Stahl 41, Brennan 40, Egersdorff 40.

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Sugartown Club.—Amateurs shot better than professionals in the blue rock shoot for Southern California sportsmen, held Sunday at Oxnard, Cal. In the 200-bird contest twenty-four competitors entered. There were 47 shooters in the field. Many of the visitors were from Los Angeles and neighboring towns.

High amateur average was made by Arnold, who broke 189 out of 200; F. Mellus was second with 188, and Pfirrmann and Witman tied for third, each breaking 182. High professional average was taken by Cook, with 181 out of 200. The Los Angeles Gun Club diamond medal was won by Witman, 182; second and third prizes of White Flyer fobs were won by Arneill, 177, and Blackstock, 175, respectively. The scores of those making 200 shots are:—

Arnold 189, F. Mellus 188, Mitchell 188, Pfirrmann 182, Witman 182, Cook 181, Glenn 181, Arneill 177, Hoit 176, Blackstock 175, Milligan 175, Council 175, Justin 175, Mullen 173, Rice 170, McCaffrey 166, Oliver 168, L. Mellus 165, Austin 155, Rossbach 153, Clement 152, Haese 138, Dunn 133, Cline 147.

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Los Angeles Club.—Charlie Nichols, one of the "shootin' gang" from the Los Angeles Athletic Club, came out on top in the 50-bird handicap for a handsome diamond pin at the Los Angeles Gun Club Sunday. Nichols broke 46 out of 50 from eighteen yards. The next best score was made by C. H. Bitz with 44x50. The handicap is known as "Event ," and a handsome diamond pin was the prize. The complete results in all events follow:—

Event 1—Season Trophies, at 50 birds: A. G. Wilkes50, Mrs. Wilkes 46, C. M. Wood 45, Seth Hart 41, M. D. Towne 38, J. P. Aaestoy 38, H. B. McDowell 33, Wm. Kennedy 27, F. R. Strong 23, Miss A. Wheeler 38, Charlie Vories 47, H. E. Sargent 44, F. Free 41, F. H. Nichols 42, F. H. Teeple 43, C. H. Bitz 44, L. C. Forest 41, A. Pachmeyr 41.

Event 2—Diamond Trophy Handicap, at 50 targets:

	Hdcp.	Score.
Charlie Vories	19	42x50
H. E. Sargent	17	41x50
F. Free	16	42x50
F. H. Teeple	19	42x50
F. H. Nichols	18	41x50
C. H. Bitz	16	44x50
L. C. Forest	18	41x50
A. Pachmeyr	16	42x50
C. F. Nichols	18	46x50
W. L. Cooper	16	37x50
W. E. Harvey	16	42x50

Practice Shooting: A. G. Wilkes 97x100, C. A. Haight 88x-00, Mrs. A. G. Wilkes 86x100, Dr. S. B. Friend 67x75, F. D. Putzer 64x75, Miss A. Wheeler 57x75, E. W. Mueller 18x25, W. B. Harvey 21x25, F. Free 20x25, M. Mallard 22x25, S. W. Clark 20x25.

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San Jose Club.—The San Jose Blue Rock Club held its inter-club shoot Sunday on its range at Santa Clara avenue and the King road, the affair being attended by prominent shooters from near-by counties. There was a large number of visitors on the grounds who took much interest in the shooting of the contestants. Over 10,000 blue rocks were sprung from the traps and excellent scores predominated throughout the day's shoot. Len Hawxhurst, of San Francisco, a professional, made the remarkable score of 100 straight targets, while H. Lorenson, an amateur shot from Newman, Stanislaus county, broke 99 rocks without missing. In the miss-and-out event Stamper of Newman won with a score of 24. W. J. McKagney of San Jose won the second prize by breaking 23, thus defeating the best amateur shots of the Pacific coast. McKagney's score of 96 out of a possible 100 is a remarkable showing for an amateur, and places him at the top of the local shooters.

COMING REGISTERED TOURNAMENTS.

California.

Alameda, May 20—Golden Gate Club, Clarence A. Haight, Secretary.

San Jose, May 28, 29, 30—California-Nevada Association Tournament, San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

Los Angeles, July 3, 4—Vernon Gun Club.

Eureka, July 4—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President.

Oregon.

Portland, June 5, 6, 7—Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, Frank Templeton, Secretary.

Portland, Sept. 12, 13, 14—Pacific Coast Handicap.

Washington.

Seattle, May 23, 24.—Washington State tourney, Seattle, Association.

Chehalis, May 30—Chehalis Rod and Gun Club, Gus T. Thacker, President.

Seattle, July 4—"Old Policy," Green Lake Gun Club, W. C. Smith, Secretary

Tacoma, July 18, 19, 20, 21—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary.

In the five-man team contest the Golden Gate Gun Club of San Francisco succeeded in winning first honors. Miss Geneva Meyers of the same city shot in splendid form and broke 60 blue rocks out of 100 sprung from the traps. Following is the score of the various shooters for the day's shoot, 100 targets:—

H. Lorenson, Newman, 99; A. Flickinger, Vallejo, 98; Toney Prior, San Francisco, 97; D. Davidson, Modesto, 97; Wm. McKagney, San Jose, 96; A. F. Baumgartner, San Jose, 95; Fred Burnham, Vallejo, 96; O. N. Ford, San Jose, 94; W. Garrison, Modesto, 94; B. Worthen, San Francisco, 93; H. Garrison, Modesto, 93; D. McFadden, Salinas, 93; D. C. Wood, Modesto, 92; W. H. Landry, San Francisco, 92; C. H. Nash, San Jose, 91; G. Thalke, Salinas, 91; A. M. Barker, San Jose, 90; H. O. Harrison, San Francisco, 90; C. McFadden, Salinas, 90; N. A. Howard, San Francisco, 89; W. J. Terry, Oakland, 89; Chappel, Salinas, 89; H. Havens, Oakland, 87; A. Diamond, San Francisco, 87; H. Brickel, San Francisco, 86; A. Pura, Salinas, 86; J. Douglas Jr., Salinas, 86; B. Holmes, San Francisco, 85; C. R. Arques, San Jose, 84; Dr. Falk, Modesto, 84; A. Sanborn, San Francisco, 84; J. Brickell Jr., San Francisco, 80; Miss G. Meyers, San Francisco, 80; A. Massera, Salinas, 77; B. Hammatt, Salinas, 75; A. Walker, San Francisco, 72; R. C. Hogg, San Jose, 46; A. Vierra, Salinas, 45; A. Stamper, Newman, 40.

Professionals—Len Hawxhurst, Oakland, 100; R. C. Reed, San Francisco, 96; C. A. Haight, San Francisco, 92; Fred Willet, San Francisco, 92; H. H. Rickelsen, San Francisco, 90; W. Ellis, San Francisco, 89.

Team Race, 100 targets per man, 500 per team:—

Golden Gate of San Francisco, 466; Modesto of Modesto, 460; San Jose of San Jose, 454; Salinas, of Salinas, 449; Family Club No. 1 of San Francisco, 432; Family Club No. 2 of San Francisco, 428.

It is thought that not less than 150 shooters will enter and participate in the great California-Nevada state shoot which takes place May 28, 29, 30 and 31. In this tournament $1200 in cash will be distributed amongst the shooters and trophies valued at over $2000 will be awarded the successful contestants. If there should be but 125 entries in this shoot it would bring the entrance money alone up to a sum exceeding $10,000 which would be divided with the winning team, and individual shooters.

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Astoria Club.—Though the weather conditions were not the most favorable in the world for shooting, the semi-weekly matches of the Astoria Rod and Gun Club, which were held May 10th, attracted a large and enthusiastic crowd. Eighteen out of 25 targets was the best score made, Charles V. Brown, Charles Anet and S. S. Sovey each breaking that number of blue rocks.

A feature of the shoot was the squad of five dentists participating. This squad was composed of Drs. Kinney, Casey, Hoskins, Logan and Vaughn. There is much rivalry between the dentists and they furnished an added interest to the event. Kinney led the dentists in shooting, with Logan second, Casey third, Vaughn fourth and Hoskins fifth. Following are the percentages at the shoot:

C. V. Brown, Charles Anet and S. S. Sovey, each .720; Charles Halderman .680, Dr. A. W. Kinney .600, Dr. Logan .560, Dr. Casey, James L. Hope and Enos Burlingame, each .520; Dr. Vaughn .480, W. H. Fellman, W. N. Ford, Dr. Hartman and Enos Burlingame, .440; W. A. Harrison and Dr. Forstrom, .360; A. G. Spexarth Jr. and Norris Staples, .200; Dr. Hoskins, .160, and Ben Hay .120.

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Seattle Association.—Although the wind, rain and no small amount of the famous Harbor Island loose sand worked a handicap on the shooters that turned out May 7th to the regular program shoot of the Seattle Trapshooting Association, there were some good scores tallied up.

Frank C. Riehl of Tacoma busted them all in the 50-target event and held high professional score for the day. R. S. Searle and C. E. McKelvey tied for the high amateur honors with 45 targets to their credit. McKelvey stood high in the 100-bird race, there being 91 chalked up for him when he finished shooting. Searle offered the surprise of the day. Shooting in good form and at the rate he is going he is apt to make a strong race in the coming state tournament.

Several new guns were in evidence Sunday. May 7. J. H. Hopkins and John Considine both came out with new "shooting irons."

The trophy races are becoming interesting. Two of last Sunday's high men in class A and class B were high again at this shoot, and with the exception of Searle, who tied with McKelvey, they will only have to stand high once more to become the owners of the handsome cups that President C. E. McKelvey has put up for the four classes.

In class A Hugh Fleming was the high man; class B., R. S. Searle tied with McKelvey; class C, J. V. Hough was high, and class D was not represented.

Mr. Greenbaum, of San Francisco, was on the grounds, but did not shoot. The scores, at 50 targets: *Frank Rhodes 50, *D. Rhodes 46, R. S. Searle 45, C. E. McKelvey 45, Hugh Fleming 44, Matt Grossman 43, R. Kinzer 42, J. H. Hulbert 42, J. V. Hough 42, *George Hambright 41, A. Drake 41, W. B. Taft 40, Tom Wilkes 40, John Considine 39, J. H. Hopkins 38, G. H. Young 38, A. W. Mathis 31, C. W. Bandy 26.

At 100 targets:—C. E. McKelvey 91, Matt Grossman 89, *D. Rhodes 89, Hugh Fleming 87, R. Kinzer 85, W. B. Taft 83, John Considine 81, J. H. Hopkins 75, C. W. Bandy 57. (*Professional.)

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Golden Gate Club.—The Golden Gate Club opened three days of shooting on Friday. Practice events were first on the card and today a registered tournament is being run off. The regular monthly shoot will be staged tomorrow. Shooters from all around the bay points and from as far south as San Diego are on hand to participate. Secretary Clarence A. Haight figures there will be seventy-five in the competition today.

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Alameda Elks' Club.—H. P. Martine started off Sunday by missing the first bird but he recovered and distinguished himself by tying with Henry Stelling for high honors. They scored 46 out of 50 apiece. H. C. Peet was second. O. N. Jones led the professionals. The scores were as follows:—

Events.	10	15	10	15	Total
*L. Middleton	4	8	5	7	24
*O. N. Jones	7	14	6	12	39
E. B. Thorning	7	12	9	11	39
C. D. Carmen	5	11	7	13	36
R. T. Boyd	5	8	7	9	29
W. E. Spann	6	4	5	8	23
W. E. Hoon	4	5	5	7	21
J. H. Walker	6	8	4	8	26
A. R. Durney	4	10	5	6	25
M. Goodman	8	9	4	5	26
Pop Merrill	5	13	6	13	37
*F. W. Blum	6	9	7	8	30
W. H. Price	8	12	7	14	41
H. Martine	9	12	10	15	46
H. Truscott	5	7	5	12	29
Fred Renner	5	7	7	6	25
G. J. Brooks	7	6	4	14	31
W. H. L. Hines	6	12	9	13	40
W. L. Koch	8	14	8	9	39
O. D. Hamlin	7	8	8	8	31
George Feldman	5	6	5	4	20
Bell	6	10	7	8	31
F. H. Hastings	7	5	7	10	29
F. E. Hillyer	7	11	8	10	36
H. Meineke	6	14	8	12	40
E. G. Williams	7	10	6	11	34
G. Linderman	7	13	7	9	36
F. J. Croll	7	11	6	8	32
H. Stelling	10	12	10	14	46
H. Craig	9	9	7	5	30
R. B. Valleau	7	11	7	13	38
H. C. Peet	8	14	9	13	44
Dwight Jones (20-gauge)	6	11	7	12	36

(*Professionals.)

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Portland Club.—Wind and rain did not prevent a score of trapshooters from making the trip to the Everding Park traps of the Portland Gun Club on May 7th. Frank W. Templeton, secretary-treasurer of the Portland Gun Club, was high man of the day, breaking 98 out of 100 birds thrown to him. Mrs. Ada Schilling was second, with 91 per cent to her credit.

Following are the scores recorded: J. S. Crane 66, Al. Seguin 78, E. B. Van Arnam 85, J. C. Morris 69, A. L. Zachrisson 63, F. M. Templeton 98, A. W. Strowger 80, E. B. Morris 69, H. A. Pollock 78, Dr. O. D. Thornton 87, Miss Gladys Reid 61, James Bull 86, Mrs. Ada Schilling 91, Archie Parrott 81, C. J. Schilling 89, James W. Seavey 89, E. Young 85, N. C. Jensen 61, and Wade Strowger (with 28-gauge gun) 24.

Sportsmen's Row

Salem has been chosen as the place for holding next year's tournament of the Oregon State trapshooters' association. H. H. Veatch of Cottage Grove was re-elected president of the association and W. G. Ballack of Albany, secretary-treasurer.

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Mountain Lions Killed.—Seventeen mountain lions were killed in April for which the State paid a total bounty of $340. Five were slain in Monterey. One each was killed in El Dorado, Lake, Mendocino, Mono, San Benito, Santa Clara and Santa Barbara counties.

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The Spokane county game commission is removing about 10,000 trout spawn daily from Kalez and Thompson creeks, tributaries to Liberty and Newman lakes, respectively. Game Commissioner A. G. Gray announced yesterday that spawn will be taken care of at the county fish hatchery on Little Spokane river.

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Predict some record scores at San Jose when the State shoot is held on May 28, 29, 30 and 31. The San Francisco shooters who were down there Sunday declare that the rocks fly well and conditions are ideal for long runs.

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One hundred straight for Len Hawxhurst. The professional shot is showing in his best form.

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The Golden Gate Club is going to stage a Beginners' Day shoot in June. Any shooter who has shot at less than 500 targets is eligible.

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For a class A badger fighter, they say Al Cook is a wonder. Ask some of the San Diego visitors for further information.

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Fred Willet is stealing some of Andy Flickinger's stuff. He used a freshly baked doughnut on the end of his gun at San Jose on Sunday and never missed one. The trouble was that the doughnut broke too soon.

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H. P. Martine broke 25 straight in practice the other day and showed it was no fluke by tying for high honors at the Alameda Elks' Club shoot. Martine takes his time in pointing and shows much promise as he only started shooting the rocks this season. M. S. Goodman, Al Durney and Clem Carmen will have to step some to keep pace with H. P.

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John W. Considine is getting to be a regular at the traps. He was over to Alameda Sunday but did not shoot. He will break in shortly, however, and the boys had better watch him.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Wilkes have returned from an extensive visit in the East. They shot in many of the tournaments around New York and set up creditable scores.

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Officers of the Ben Ficklin Fishing Club of San Angelo, Texas, for the ensuing year have been selected as follows: W. A. Alberthal, president; R. V. Perrine, vice-president; Vernon Key, secretary; W. H. West, treasurer; J. T. Thomson, S. L. Ogle and Roy Winn, directors. The club has fine grounds near San Angelo for fishing and recreation.

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Gun clubs will find their empty shells are worth money if they will gather them up after each shoot, and sell them when they get a barrel or so. A gun club secretary informed us a few days ago that he had secured 95 pounds of brass from two barrels of empty shells. The bross he sold at 11 cents per pound, or $10.45 for the lot, proving that it surely pays to save the empty shells.

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Two one-armed shooters, George K. Gilmore of Wallace and W. E. Ingersoll of Kellogg, were among the contestants at Spokane. Gilmore broke 115 out of 150. Both were followed throughout the day by a large number of spectators.

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C. W. Gibbs, M. L. Werkheiser, F. R. Venable, G. K. Kilmore, J. H. Scott and F. C. Moore, members of the Wallace Gun Club, were among those who took part in the Spokane shoot.

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"I've shot all over the country for 20 years," said Frank Riehl, the Tacoma professional, "but the wind at Spokane takes the cake for making the targets sail bad." Riehl is a southpaw and had to half face the wind, which he claimed was continually putting him off his balance.

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The office work at Spokane was handled by Chas. Dockendork of Stanwood, who does his work with accuracy and speed. The Cour d'Alene shooters were so much impressed by Dockendork's work that they engaged him to "cashier" for the shoot which they will hold in August.

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Five states and 20 towns were represented, there being as many visiting as Spokane shooters competing.

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Attorney D. R. Gale and Aubrey Barham have returned from a delightful fishing and recreation trip, which took them to the vicinity of the Elk Range Club above Cloverdale. They went by automobile a greater portion of the distance and then took their packs on their backs and wandered six or eight miles almost straight up the mountain side. They sought and found two of the best trout streams in that section and caught and ate so many fish that they became surfeited on this article of food.

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Thirty-two fine steelhead trout, among the largest displayed in Santa Ana this season, were brought by C. S. Schumaker, Elmer Whitson, Bill Stevens and "Duke" Haines, who formed a party which left in Mr. Schumaker's auto for Big Bear Lake. It was necessary to make the trip via Porterville, making a 150-mile jaunt to the fishing grounds. Later in the season, a shorter route will be available.

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L. A. Lodge tried Alameda Creek in Niles Canyon and he has a complaint about the absence of trout. His catch consisted of 45 pike, five trout and one turtle.

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Charles Urfer, who would rather fish than eat, whipped the streams of Alameda county last Sunday. He made some catches but reports that the good streams are too hard to get at. He had to force his way through the brush and had little opportunity to use the fly. At times he had to work with only an 18-inch line. At that you can count on Charlie bringing home some fish, no matter where he goes.

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Fred Koch of Phillipsburg, Ohio, won the trapshooting championship of the South in the final event of the tournament at Memphis, Tenn., on May 11th, by breaking 39 out of a possible 40 targets in a shootoff with R. E. Duvall of Bellville, Ills., who had tied the Ohio gunner with a score of 95 breaks in the regular 100 target event. Duvall broke 35 in the shoot-off.

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Extensive preparations are being made by the officials of the Portland Gun Club for the annual tournament of the Northwest Sportsmen's Association, scheduled for the Jenne Station grounds during the Rose Festival week. Practice day has been placed for June 4, with the final and Rose Festival 100-bird race on Wednesday, June 7, the opening day of the annual Rose Festival celebration.

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A late report from Australia indicates that the great smooth-coated fox terrier, Champion Levenside Luke, has about recovered from the unfortunate accident sustained at the time of his arrival and he bids fair to have a long and successful career in the Antipodes.

FEMALE DEER IN PERIL IN NEW YORK.

New York.—The Kasson Deer bill, now before Governor Whiman, is far more drastic in its purpose than was the recent decision of the Conservation Commission which threatened the extinction of the Shelter Island deer.

While that decision involved the killing of between 100 and 200 animals, the Kasson bill means the killing of 20,000 female deer. It takes out of the present game law the preserving clause, "wild deer having horns not less than three inches in length," and gives permission to every sportsman to kill all female deer except fawns.

New York at the present time is lined up with some other States in which only buck deer may be killed. Hounding deer, killing bucks in the water, jack lighting and netting, under enlightened sportsmanship, no longer continue. Only last week Governor Whitman signed the Voorhees bill prohibiting the shooting of game from automobiles and the use of automobile lights in hunting.

The American bison was exterminated by millions because unwise legislation protected the female bison when it was too late. Kill the mothers and you kill the race.

Rattler Climbs Tree.—A rattled rattler "clumb" a juniper tree up at Big Bear Lake. This feat, from which feet were entirely absent, is vouched for by three normally truthful and conscientious citizens of Pomona, viz., J. W. Hutchinson, H. C. Ludden and C. E. George.

Never before has a rattler scaled anything other than itself, and especially not a tree. There is a standing reward offered to any rattler that will furnish satisfactory evidence that it ever shinned any specimen of the genus arboris, juniper or otherwise. The reptile lies dead under the tree which constituted the medium for its miracle, and therefore is in no mental state to demand the honororium.

Messrs. Hutchinson, Ludden and George have just returned to Pomona with an exact description of the snake running up the side of the juniper. After reaching the top, a distance of ten feet from the ground, it hissed at them. Hist! That one hiss was its last. Hutchinson drew his revolver and shot it as he would a bird or a squirrel. Here is what he said:

"It ran up the tree on the south side of the lake. I'd have given a hundred dollars for a kodak then, just to prove that rattlers can climb."

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Skykomish Club.—The Skykomish Gun Club held an interesting shoot on May 7th. The following is the program shot, at 50 targets:—

Hihebaugh 42, Henry 38, Williams 40, Kirkland 36, Bradburn 33, Hove 44, McEvoy 36, Farr 44, Andrews 13, Schaff 15x25, Martin 13x25. Hove and Farr stood high score in the 50-target events, hitting 44 each.

Vernon Club.—Exactly twenty marksmen were present to witness Dr. Packard annex his first leg on the George T. Kline trophy Sunday, at the Vernon Gun Club's weekly shoot. These same twenty would have been immensely pleased to have won this event themselves, but Packard's 47 out of 50 was a little too good for the rest of his competitors. Packard's blasting was done from the 21-yard mark.

Mrs. Groat secured her usual enviable score. In the match for the William H. Hoegee trophy she was high shot, with 46 kills out of 50. Mrs. Groat was intrenched at the 18-yard mark. She has developed into one of the most consistent shots in local scattergun circles, and is rated as one of the best marksmen in the country. The results:

	Hdcp.	Cline trophy.	W. H. Hoegee trophy.	Club 20-ga. trophy.	Practice
Van Nest	16	36	36	..	20
Manderville		17	41	..	20
A. W. Bruner		16	41	..	22
Evans		18	45	..	40
Greenfield		16	39	..	..
S. A. Bruner	21	41	45	..	20
C. P. Smith		16	41	..	[illegible]
Reid		16	41	..	17
C. A. Van Nest	16	..	..	..	12
Mrs. Groat	18	42	46	..	..
C. E. Groat	17	43	39	..	..
Wilshire	16	41	..	21	18
Fish	16	42	40	21	..
Hedderly	16	47	..	23	23
Packard	21	47	..	..	20
Bola	16	44	41	..	..
Dierdoff	17	..	43	..	..
Beyrle	16	..	35	..	..
C. Ahrens	16	..	31	..	..
R. H. Ahrens	16	..	40	..	..

REPORTS ON FISHING CONDITIONS.

Agents of railroads make the following reports on fishing conditions:—

WESTERN PACIFIC.

Big Bar.—River clear and low. Weather partly overcast and cool. Many limits have been made during week. Shady Rest of Crest reports good results with 20 and 23-inch fish being taken. Salmon flies and eggs being used for bait. No flies used to date.

Belden.—Water in Feather River medium clear and nearing its level. Fishing near here poor at present but north fork after east branch cuts out has been providing good fishing. Nothing but bait being used. Yellow Creek and Chipps Creek fairly good. Three Lakes not tried but understand from Indians that there are plenty of fish. Live helgamite flies, which can be obtained here, are being used. Weather, raining and calm.

Blairsden.—Fishing in Feather River and streams reported good. River is about normal. Lakes still closed. Weather generally clear and warm.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC.

Sisson.—Fishing fair. Weather still cool but getting warmer.

Hot Springs, Tulare County.—Bait fishing is good in Deer Creek, limit catches are frequent. Tyler Creek is clear but rather high. Fly fishing fair in this stream. In about two weeks fishing will be good in Tobias and Parker Meadow Creeks.

Felton.—Fishermen have been catching the limit in this section since the season opened but they run small in size.

Santa Cruz.—Week-end parties have been having great sport. Limit catches of trout and salmon. Latter now running good.

Calistoga.—Fishing poor on account of low water.

NORTHWESTERN PACIFIC.

Dos Rios.—Local parties advise that bait fishing is good in Berger Creek.

Longvale.—Fair catches made regularly; no exceptional catches reported in this vicinity.

Cazadero.—Trout streams this vicinity very good.

Healdsburg.—Streams in good condition; no large catches lately.

Shively.—Fishing in Larabee Creek is reported good; several catches of fifty have been made, all small trout.

Fort Seward.—No catches to speak of here; weather unsettled; better fishing later in season.

At Los Angeles, Cal., May 1-2, Mr. O. N. Ford won the B. H. Dyas cup with a score of 46x50 and 58x60 in the shootoff. Mr. Ford also won the Los Angeles Handicap, 95x100 from the 22-yard mark, and second amateur average, 290x300. Mr. Ford shot Peters factory loaded shells.

The three big honors of the Missouri State tournament at St. Louis, Mo., May 2-4, were won by users of Peters shells, a very significant circumstance. Mr. C. B. Eaton won high amateur average, 481x500, and the Missouri Inter-State Championship, 98x100, and Mr. F. R. Correll of Perry, Mo., won the Grand Missouri Handicap, 95x100, at 17 yards.

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Oregon State Winners.—Telegraphic reports from Albany, where the Oregon State shoot was held on Monday and Tuesday, are to the effect that Pete O'Brien of Portland was returned winner with a score of 384 out of 400. He also won the State championship with 98x100 and took the trophy event with 25 straight in the shootoff after tying at 46x50 from the 20-yard mark. Hugh Poston and Les Reid tied for the professional honors with 387x400 apiece. Reid made the long run of 141.

Spokane Club.—The largest crowd of shooters that ever faced the traps in the Inland Empire took places on the firing line to compete in the first regular events of the Inland Empire handicap tournament on May 9th at Moran Prairie. Seventy-one contestants, among them three women, made up the 14 squads, and they kept the trap pullers busy from nine in the morning until seven o'clock in the evening, the sun just barely showing when the last squad left the marks in the Inland Empire handicap, the feature event.

Northwest marksmen are accustomed to variable weather conditions, but it is doubtful if ever they were called upon to shoot under more trying conditions. The weather ran the gamut of rain, snow and hail with a heavy wind blowing from the southwest continually. Most of the time the temperature was close to the freezing point and the minute a squad would finish an event, its members would hurry to the clubhouse, where a great sheetiron stove dispensed welcome heat.

The feature event, the Inland Empire handicap, for 50 birds, was the most closely contested of the day. E. J. Chingren, western Spokane amateur, broke 25 straight on his second string, after getting 22 on his first, for a total of 47. Schnack, however, judged his time perfectly and cracked them one after another until he broke the 25th straight, thereby tying Chingren.

The Oldsmobile trophy for 25 birds, the only other trophy even on the card, was won by C. A. Couplin of Palouse, who broke 25 straight from the 16-yard mark. A noteworthy feature of the Oldsmobile event was the shooting of Mrs. Charles A. O'Connor, wife of the president of the Spokane Gun Club.

In the regular 16-yard events, the scores of which count in the official average of the shooters, Frank M. Troeh, the crack Vancouver (Wash.) shooter, topped the amateurs with 140 out of 150. Hugh McElroy, Spokane reliable, was second with 138 out of 150, being tied with Frank Templeton of the Portland Gun Club.

Fred Dryden, Spokane professional, was probably never in better form, and he made the pace for the company representatives with 144 out of 150. The scores May 9th follow:—

	150 Targ. 16 yds.	Olds-mobile Trophy.	Inland Emp. Handicap. Hdcp.	Bke.
*P. Holohan	126	17	21	39
J. W. Seavey	130	20	20	45
F. Templeton	138	21	20	46
A. W. Strowger	105	19	16	41
J. G. Clemson	93	16	18	35
*L. H. Reid	135	20	22	37
C. E. Owens	125	20	20	40
J. R. Owens	127	20	18	40
M. E. Ovenden	117	20	20	42
*Gus Peret	128	20	20	40
E. J. Chingren	130	21	21	47
T. B. Ware	126	14	13	46
R. A. Miles	119	20	16	37
S. E. Weaver	120	21	21	39
H. Schnack	128	17	16	47
*F. C. Riehl	128	18	22	43
C. A. O'Connor	123	20	18	38
F. M. Troeh	140	22	22	40
E. B. Farnum	131	19	19	42
R. Gonger	74	..	16	..
P. O'Brien	133	20	22	40
E. Larabie	116	20	18	35
W. J. McMullen	118	23	16	43
O. C. Valeton	119	23	16	41
E. W. Renfro	137	22	22	41
*A. W. Woodworth	130	21	21	40
H. McElroy	138	24	21	44
Mrs. C. A. O'Connor	93	23	16	..
G. K. March	132	20	19	41
G. C. Gregory	122	19	20	37
*H. E. Poston	142	24	22	44
J. M. Spence	122	18	17	..
A. R. Gorkow	123	18	20	44
B. F. Blosser	124	23	16	40
E. L. Valleen	122	21	20	41
A. A. Gyes	128	23	17	41
G. B. Joslin	130	21	19	42
C. A. Couplin	120	25	16	38
G. C. Jewett	127	18	18	37
B. G. Mann	111	21	16	38
H. J. Geesey	113	20	16	42
H. B. DeLong	124	21	16	40
A. Heirgood	117	23	16	44
A. G. Clarke	109	18	16	..
G. K. Gilmore	115	18	16	..
F. A. Dryden	144	23	22	42
C. B. Brown	119	18	18	43
R. P. Knight	129	21	20	35
J. N. Wann	123	23	16	45
J. Shriver	119	20	18	34
R. E. Thomas	102	19	17	..
Fred Porter	112	..	16	..
R. Sebastin	114	19	17	43
W. E. Ingersoll	86	..	16	..
F. C. Moore	132	..	18	..
E. C. Johnson	107	..	16	..
C. A. Gwinn	96	16	-6	..
C. T. Orland	100	21	19	..
C. D. Westcott	113	20	16	..
J. H. Scott	114	..	17	..
C. M. Johnson	88	..	16	..
E. Taylor	86	..	16	..
J. R. Richards	122	19	17	39
C. A. Fleming	130	22	18	42
George Arland	130	18	19	38
D. B. Harvison	87	18	16	..
Mrs. F. A. Dryden	24	..	16	..
Mrs. F. E. Grimmer	47	..	16	..
C. W. Gibbs	26	12	17	..
M. L. Werkheiser	46	..	18	..
F. R. Venable	29	15	17	..

(*Professionals.)

The bright feature of the first day's shooting in the first annual Inland Empire handicap tournament, which was concluded May 10th at the Moran Prairie traps, was the work of C. E. Owens, an amateur shooter of Wenatchee, who broke 146 out of 150 bluerocks under the most trying conditions.

The weather was abominable. At one time during the afternoon snow fell steadily for an hour, the flakes coming down so thick that they almost obscured the targets. A full inch of snow fell. At other times the wind played all kinds of didos and the rain and hail fell every now and then to add to the general bad weather conditions.

The winners were:—

High Amateurs—F. M. Troeh, Vancouver, 284; Hugh McElroy, Spokane, 277; Frank Templeton, Portland, 275.

High Professionals—Hugh Poston, San Francisco, 286, Fred Dryden, Spokane, 282; Les Reid, Seattle, 278.

Trophy Winners—E. D. Farmin, Sandpoint, San Galland, cup; C. A. O'Connor, Spokane, Scott trophy; Portland team, team trophy; Mrs. C. A. O'Connor, women's event.

Standing on the 21-yard mark, E. J. Chingren, who is known to every one who follows the trap-shooting game in this part of the country, defeated H. Schnack of Deer Lodge, Mont., in the shootoff for the Inland Empire handicap trophy, when hebroke 23 to his opponent's 22. Schnack was standing on the 16-yard mark.

The team shoot furnished keen competition. Eleven three-man teams, five of whom were composed of members of the Spokane Gun Club, were entered. The scores of the team shoot:—

Portland—Total, 72. Templeton 23, O'Brien 25, Seavey 24.

Kellog—Total, 64. Thomas 22, Sebastian 21, Porter 21.

Spokane, 3—Total, 68. Gregory 23, Garkow 24, Blosser 21.

Wenatchee—Total, 69. C. Owens 23, J. Owens 23, L. Ovenden 23.

Palouse—Total, 65. Joslin 25, Couplin 21, Jewett 20.

Spokane 5—Total 64. Farmin 23, Geesey 23, Mrs. O'Connor 19.

Wallace—Total 63. Scott 22, Gilmore 22, Moore 19.

Spokane 2—Total 63. O'Connor 22, March 24, Fleming 17.

Deer Lodge—Total 65. Renfrow 21, McMullen 20, Larabie 24.

Spokane 1—Total 71. McElroy 25, Chingren 22, Ware 24.

Spokane 4—Total 65. Clarke 21, Shriver 23, Mann 21.

The results:—

	150 Targ.	Galland Trophy. 25	Hdcp.	Scott Trophy 25
J. W. Seavey	140	..	20	..
F. Templeton	140	24	20	22
A. W. Strowger	137	23	16	20
R. P. Knight	128	21	16	19
*L. H. Reid	130	23	22	18
C. E. Owens	143	25	20	23
J. R. Owens	146	22	16	18
L. E. Avenden	127	..	20	..
*Gus Peret	136	20	20	19
E. J. Chingren	131	22	21	24
T. B. Ware	138	21	18	..
R. A. Miles	136	22	16	21
S. C. Weaver	120	16	21	..
H. Schnack	133	19	16	..
C. A. O'Connor	134	24	18	21
*F. C. Riehl	135	24	22	24
F. M. Troth	145	24	22	19
E. D. Farmin	144	21	19	21
C. A. Fleming	135	25	18	22
P. O'Brien	127	20	22	22
E. W. Larabie	140	23	18	21
W. J. McMullen	131	22	16	21
P. C. Valiton	133	23	16	19
E. W. Renfro	119	20	22	19
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J. M. Spence	144	25	17	18
A. R. Gorkow	127	..	20	..
B. F. Blosser	139	21	16	21
E. L. Valleen	126	..	20	..
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R. Fonger	111	..	16	..
A. G. Clarke	93	..	16	..
G. K. Gilmore	106	..	16	..
*F. A. Dryden	126	21	22	..
G. Arland	138	..	19	..
J. T. Little	139	21	16	18
J. N. Wann	109	..	16	..
J. V. Hough	122	21	16	..
F. Porter	126	19	16	..
R. Sebastian	115	20	17	..
W. E. Ingersoll	127	21	16	..
R. Sebastian	115	20	17	..
W. E. Ingersoll	127	21	16	..
E. C. Johnson	133	23	16	22
C. A. Gwinn	103	..	16	..
C. T. Arland	108	..	19	..
C. D. Westacott	125	22	16	..
J. H. Scott	108	19	16	..
C. M. Johnson	121	..	16	..
E. Taylor	76	23	16	19
J. R. Richards	108	..	17	..

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Utah State Association.—Sixteen scatter gun enthusiasts took part in the one-day tournament of the Utah State Sportsmen's Association on the grounds of the Salt Lake Gun Club on May 5th. The weather conditions were adverse either to attendance or good shooting.

Dr. F. Dunn of Springville set the pace in the amateur class by breaking 137 out of 150, which is a very creditable score under the conditions.

The Lewis class system was used in the distribution of the Interstate trophies with the following results:

Class A—First prize, Dr. Fred Dunn, Springville; second, Dr. J. F. Sharp, Salt Lake; third, Glen Bishop, Salt Lake.

Class B—First, Gail Moffat, Salt Lake; John Browning, Ogden, and Marriner Browning of Ogden tied for second.

This is the fourth and last of the one-day tournaments of the association for the season. The big state tourney will be held at Springville May 29, 30, and 31. The Utah State Amateur Tournament for a number of years has been the biggest shooting event of the kind held in the intermountain country and always draws the best shots in the west. The scores:

At 150 targets—*Cummings 143, Bain 117, Moffat 124, M. Browning 116, J. Browning 122, *Hood 137, Dunn 137, Bishop 131, *Morgan 140, Sharp 134, Becker 125, Mitchell 107, *Anderson 127, Reilley 134, Sumpsion 86. Lamb, 47 out of 75.

*Professionals.

Salt Lake Gun Club.—On account of so many shooters attending the registered shoot Friday, May 5th, the crowd at the regular Sunday morning shoot of the Salt Lake Gun Club on May 7th was much smaller than usual, but the enthusiasts who did attend enjoyed one of the best tournaments of the season.

G. H. Johnson demonstrated his ability as a scatter gun artist in the handicap event by winning with a score of 49x50. This places Mr. Johnston's name on the cup for the first time.

Some of the boys who had already secured two wins to their credit had high hopes of securing permanent possession of the cup by making a third win, but Johnston shooting in the form he displayed, their hopes were soon wrecked. The scores:

	Broke.	Hdcp.	Tt'l.
Bishop	44	4	48
Klein	44	4	48
Johnston	42	7	49
Fisher	36	7	43
Heagren	36	5	41
Bain	32	1	33
Bert Brown	23	7	30
*Morgan	48	..	..
*Cummings	47	..	..
*Hood	44	..	..

*Professionals.

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Green Lake Club.—The trapshooting grounds of the Green Lake Gun Club have been a busy spot during the past two days, with twenty shooters attending the special program Saturday afternoon and thirty-four shooters competing in the regular weekly events May 7th.

W. H. Carsten led the field, breaking 48 out of his 50, with E. K. Van Vleck, J. W. Geltz and L. S. Barnes shooting a tie for second place with 47. This was remarkable shooting with the wind blowing a gale across the field.

George H. Garrison was on the firing line again, having fully recovered from his recent illness, and turned in the very good score of 46, breaking his last 37 straight.

C. E. McKelvey headed the Saturday crowd with 45 out of 50, Dr. Hill and Carsten each getting 44 for second place. W. M. Elliott, shooting a 20-gauge gun, broke 39 out of his 50, which is mighty good scoring for the toy weapon.

Four of the club's lady members took part in the program, Mrs. Conkling breaking 18 out of 25 and Mrs. Barnes getting 14 in 25. Miss Mikkelsen broke 5 and Miss Kleven 2 out of 15. Ladies are always welcome at the north end grounds, and a special event is being planned for them the last Sunday in May. The scores, at 50 targets:—

W. H. Carsten 48, E. K. Van Vleck 47, L. S. Barnes 47, J. W. Geltz 47, *George H. Garrison 46, S. A. Martin 44, Hi Follrich 43, W. C. Smith 43, D. G. Huber 43, C. B. Fitzgerald 40, M. A. Rosenfield 39, Don R. Baker 39, Dr. J. F. Hill 39, Dr. M. A. Winningham 38, J. H. Willman 37, G. A. Conklin 37, E. W. Soergel 37, Dr. R. V. Mills 36, George B. Baker 36, Dr. C. H. Will 33, S. E. Bacon 31, H. E. Gleason 31, Dr. A. B. Kidd 31, George D. Horst 30, D. D. McMaster 30, Dr. S. W. Case 30, R. W. Brehm 26, R. E. Benjamin 25, A. E. Gibson 21, E. P. Buck 19, A. E. Hall 17, T. H. Bolton 16. (*Professional.)

THE FARM

TO MUSHROOM GROWERS.

As the result of a serious case of mushroom poisoning in a mushroom grower's family recently, the mushroom specialists of the United States department of agriculture have issued a warning to commercial and other growers of mushrooms to regard with suspicion any abnormal mushrooms which appear in their beds. It seems that occasionally sporadic forms appear in mushroom beds, persist for a day or two, and then disappear. These are generally manure-inhabiting species and may be observed shortly after the beds have been cased. In the instances cited, however, these fungi appeared in considerable numbers at the time the edible Agaricus Campestris should have been ready for the market, and the dealer supposed it was probably a new brown variety and tried it in his own family. As a result, five persons were rendered absolutely helpless and were saved after several hours only with the assistance of a second physician who has had experience with this type of poisoning.

In the opinion of the department, this case is peculiarly significant and demonstrates that the grower must be able to distinguish Agaricus Campestris from any of the wild forms of mushrooms that may appear in the beds. Under the circumstances, the department strongly urges growers to make themselves thoroughly familiar with the cultivated species. Complete descriptions with pictures of poisonous and cultivated species are contained in department bulletin 175, "Mushrooms and Other Fungi," which can be purchased for 30 cents from the superintendent of documents, at Washington, D. C.

MILK AS A BRACER.

According to the Philadelphia Press the Pasteur institute of Paris has just made the declaration that one of the most powerful stimulants known is milk. It has been in use for months now as the one stimulant for the French soldiers in the trenches, and its effect on them has amply justified the statement made by the famous institute in regard to it.

Milk has been used liberally to stimulate the French soldiers before they go into battle and its effects have been such that the French government has urged the sale of milk in preference to other soft drinks behind the trenches when the soldiers go off duty for their spells of rest and recreation.

That the qualities of stimulation should be demonstrated in the fighting men should commend the beverage to those engaged in the pursuits of peace in those parts of the world where Mars does not now rule. While alcohol may fire the brain and dull the sensibilities and thus impart a false courage, milk, according to the learned scientists of the Pasteur Institute, performs the work of keying up the individual without affecting the keenness of his senses or the coolness of his judgment. This is necessary to the mode of warfare which this war has exemplified, but it is no less necessary to the man working in the office, in the studio, in the battle for a living. High courage and a clear perception of what they are doing is necessary for the best work in all the handicrafts and in trade.

The fluid has hitherto been considered synonymous with all that is mild and peaceful. Advocates of preparedness have referred to "those milk-and-water pacifists." The "milk of human kindness" has no suggestion of powerful stimulation.

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Purse $1,000

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Purse, $500

For 3-year-olds and upward. By subscription of $10 each, $25 additional to start, $500, of which $100 to second and $50 to third. Weights to be announced Monday, July 17. Winners of other than a selling race after the weights are announced to carry 5 pounds extra. To be run Wednesday, July 19. SIX FURLONGS.

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Purse, $2,000

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No entry will be received for any of these stakes except upon this condition: That all disputes, claims and objections arising out of the racing, or with respect to the interpretation of the conditions of any stake, shall be decided by a majority of the stewards present, or those whom they may appoint, and their decision upon all points shall be final.

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SPECIAL NOTICES:

More than two horses may be nominated for Selling Stakes, but only two can start.

Winner or non-winner of a stated sum means winner or non-winner of a single race of that value to first horse.

Horses penalized in a race shall not be entitled to any of the allowances in such race.

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VANCOUVER (CANADA) EXHIBITION
August 14-19
H. S. ROLSTON, Secretary

Closing June 1.

2:10 Pace or 2:05 Trot, 3 in 5	$500
2:15 Pace	$700
2:12 Trot	$500
2:25 Pace	$500
2:25 Trot—3 in 5	$700

Closing August 1.

2:20 Pace	$500
2:15 Trot	$500
2:20 Trot	$300
2:15 Pace for B. C. Horses	$200
2:24 trot for B. C. Horses	$200
2:30 Pace	$300
2:18 Pace	$500

SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON FAIR
Aug. 28 — Sept. 2
GEO. R. WALKER, Secretary, Chehalis

Closing June 1.

2:25 Trot	$500
2:25 Pace	$500
2:12 Trot	$500
2:10 Pace	$500

Closing Aug. 14.

2:20 Pace	$500.00
2:20 Trot	$500.00
2:15 Trot	$500.00
2:15 Pace	$500.00

SPOKANE INTERSTATE FAIR
Spokane—Sept. 4—9
Address—The Secretary, Spokane

Closing June 1

2:12 Trot	$750.00
2:25 Trot	$750.00
2:10 Pace	$750.00
2:25 Pace	$750.00

Closing Aug. 14

2:15 Trot	$750.00
2:15 Pace	$750.00
2:20 Trot	$750.00
2:20 Pace	$750.00

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GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY FAIR
Sept. 6-10
J. B. KIRKALDIE, Secretary
Elma, Wash.

Closing June 1.

2:20 Trot	$250.00
2:30 Trot	250.00
2:15 Trot	250.00

Closing Aug. 23

2:25 Pace, 2:15 Pace, 2:18 Pace, F. F. A. Trot, and F. F. A. Pace, each for $250.00.
All on 3-Heat Plan

WALLA WALLA COUNTY FAIR
September 11-13
Address:
The Secretary, Walla Walla

Closing June 1.

2:30 Trot	$500.00
2:25 Pace—3 in 5	$500.00
2:20 Trot—3 in 5	$600.00
2:15 Pace	$600.00
2:12 Trot—3 in 5	$700.00
2:08 Pace	$700.00
2:25 Trot	$600.00

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Sept. 18 — 23.
FRANK MEREDITH, Secretary
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Closing June 1.

2:25 Trot	$500.00
2:08 Pace—3 in 5	$700.00
2:25 Pace	$500.00
2:12 Trot—3 in 5	$700.00
2:30 Trot	$500.00
2:10 Pace	$600.00
F. F. A. Pace—3 in 5	$700.00

Closing Sept. 4

2:15 Trot (Sept. 4)	$600.00
2:15 Pace (Sept. 4)	$600.00
2:20 Pace (Sept. 4)	$500.00
2:25 Trot (Sept. 4)	$600.00

(5% to enter and 5% from money winners)

OREGON STATE FAIR
Sept. 25-30
A. H. LEA, Secretary
Salem, Oregon

Closing June 1.

2:12 Trot—3 in 5	$2000.00
2:08 Pace—3 in 5	2000.00
2:25 Trot	600.00
2:25 Pace	750.00

Closing Sept. 11

2:10 Pace	$750.00
2:18 Pace	$750.00
2:20 Pace	$750.00
2:15 Trot	$700.00
2:30 Trot	$600.00
2:18 Trot	$700.00

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ENTRIES FOR ALL HARNESS RACES CLOSE JULY 1st, 1916

MONTPELIER, IDAHO

Montpelier Driving Association
August 15, 16, 17, 18
Half-mile Track

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15

1. 2:14 Pace ..... Purse $400
2. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $400

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16

3. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
4. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $400

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17

5. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $400
6. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $400

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18

7. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $400
8. 2:14 Trot ..... Purse $400

Write to the Secretary for schedule and information as to running races.

Send Entries to
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Montpelier, Idaho.

REXBURG, LDAHO

Fremont Fair Association
August 22 to 25
Half-mile Track

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22

1. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $400
2. 2:14 Trot ..... Purse $400
3. Run ..... Purse $100
4. Run ..... Purse $100

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23

5. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $400
6. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $400
7. Run ..... Purse $100
8. Run ..... Purse $100

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24

9. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
10. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $400
11. Run ..... Purse $100
12. Run ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

13. 2:14 Pace ..... Purse $400
14. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $400
15. Run ..... Purse $100
16. Run ..... Purse $100

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Send Entries to
ARTHUR PORTER, Jr., Sec'y,
Rexburg, Idaho.

BLACKFOOT, IDAHO

Southeastern Idaho Fair Association
August 29 to September 1
Half-mile Track

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

1. 2:14 Pace ..... Purse $400
2. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $400
3. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
4. Run, 1 mile ..... Purse $100

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

5. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
6. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $400
7. Run, 5 furlongs ..... Purse $100
8. Run, 6 furlongs ..... Purse $100

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

9. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $500
10. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $400
11. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
12. Run, 5½ furlongs ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

13. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $400
14. 2:14 Trot ..... Purse $500
15. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
16. Run, Blackfoot Derby, 1 1-16 mi. $200

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Blackfoot, Idaho.

LA GRANDE, OREGON

La Grande Fair and Speed Association
September 6 to 9
Half-mile Track

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

1. 2:14 Pace ..... Purse $400
2. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $400
3. Run, ¼ mile ..... Purse $100
4. Run, La Grande Derby, 1 1-16 mi. $200

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

5. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
6. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $400
7. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
8. Run, 6 furlongs ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

9. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $500
10. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $400
11. Run, 3 furlongs ..... Purse $100
12. Run, 5 furlongs ..... Purse $100

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

13. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $400
14. 2:14 Trot ..... Purse $500
15. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
16. Run, 1 mile ..... Purse $100

RELAY RACE — (PONY EXPRESS)
Four horses; change horses every half mile; four days, two miles a day; 10 per cent entrance fee.....$250
Entries close Saturday before the meeting (see conditions). Purse divided as follows: $150 to first, $60 to second, $40 to third.

Send Entries to
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BAKER, OREGON

Baker County Fair Association
September 13 to 16
Half-mile Track

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

1. 2:14 Pace ..... Purse $400
2. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $400
3. Run, ¼ mile ..... Purse $100
4. Run, Baker Derby, 1 1-16 mile..$200

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

5. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
6. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $400
7. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
8. Run, 6 furlongs ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

9. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $500
10. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $400
11. Run, 3 furlongs ..... Purse $100
12. Run, 5 furlongs ..... Purse $100

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

13. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $400
14. 2:14 Trot ..... Purse $500
15. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
16. Run, 1 mile ..... Purse $100

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ONTARIO, OREGON

Malheur County Fair Association
September 19 to 22
Half-mile Track

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

1. 2:14 Pace ..... Purse $400
2. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $400
3. Run, ¼ mile ..... Purse $100
4. Run, 7 furlongs ..... Purse $100

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

5. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
6. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $400
7. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
8. Run, 6 furlongs ..... Purse $100

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

9. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $400
10. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $400
11. Run, 3 furlongs ..... Purse $100
12. Run, 5 furlongs ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

13. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $400
14. 2:14 Trot ..... Purse $400
15. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
16. Run, 1 mile ..... Purse $100

Send Entries to
JOSEPH WADDELL,
Baker, Oregon.

BOISE, IDAHO

Gem State Fair
September 25 to 30
Mile Track

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

1. 3-y.-o. Trot (2:30 class)..Purse $300
2. 2:14 Pace ..... Purse $400
3. Run ..... Purse $100
4. Run ..... Purse $100

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

5. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $500
6. 3-y.-o. Pace (2:25 class)..Purse $300
7. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $400
8. Run ..... Purse $100
9. Run ..... Purse $100

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

10. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $500
11. Free-for-All Pace ..... Purse $500
12. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $400
13. Run, Boise Derby, 1⅛ mi. Purse $300
14. Run ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

15. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
16. Free-for-All Trot ..... Purse $500
17. Run ..... Purse $100
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Half-mile Track

MONDAY, OCTOBER 2

1. 2:14 Pace ..... Purse $500
2. 2:20 Trot ..... Purse $500
3. ⅝ Running Dash ..... Purse $100
4. ⅞ Running Dash ..... Purse $100

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

5. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $500
6. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $500
7. ½ Mile Dash ..... Purse $100
8. 1 Mile Dash ..... Purse $125

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

9. 2:30 Trot ..... Purse $500
10. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $500
11. 3-y.-o. Trot or Pace Stake—

NOTE—Six or more entries necessary, $25 to nominate. The purse to be the total amount of money contributed by the nominators, all of which goes to the winners, with the additional amount of $150 guaranteed by the Utah State Fair Assn.

12. ⅝ Mile Dash ..... Purse $100
13. ¾ Mile Dash ..... Purse $100

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

14. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $500
15. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $500
16. ½ Mile Dash ..... Purse $100
17. ⅞ Mile Dash ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

18. 2:20 Pace ..... Purse $500
19. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $500
20. ⅝ Mile Dash ..... Purse $100
21. ¾ Mile Dash ..... Purse $100

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7

22. 2:11 Trot ..... Purse $500
23. 2:16 Pace ..... Purse $500
24. ½ Mile Dash ..... Purse $100
25. Utah State Fair Derby, 1 1-16 mi. $250

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CONDITIONS FOR HARNESS RACES.—All members of the Intermountain Fair and Racing Circuit are members of The American Trotting Association, whose rules will govern, except as herein otherwise stated.

Entries close July 1, 1916, for all harness races throughout the entire Circuit. Entry fee, Five Per Cent, must be paid on or before 12 o'clock noon the day before the race. Rule 23, stating how entries shall be made, will be enforced.

Time allowances will be granted according to Rule 51, provided same is claimed by nominator when making the entry.

Also, if a horse while racing on the Intermountain Fair and Racing Circuit has started in two consecutive races in this Circuit and has won no money, he shall be allowed to start in his next race in a class two seconds slower than his best record. If he has started in three consecutive races in the Intermountain Fair and Racing Circuit and has won no money, he shall be allowed to start in a class four seconds slower than his best record, which shall be the limit of time allowance. It is expressly understood that the above two and four seconds allowances are in addition to the one second for each year, as stated in Rule 51. Entries made at any meeting by reason of above time allowances shall be made on a regular entry blank and shall set forth the allowance claimed, shall state the name of the Association and the class where the horse started, said entry to be filed with the Racing Secretary not later than noon the day preceding the race in which he desires to compete. A horse winning a race under the above time allowances takes his original record until again being entitled to an allowance under the above provisions.

If a horse is entered in a class to which his winning performances renders him ineligible, he shall be entitled to start in any class to which he is eligible.

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In the $400 purses money divided 25% to first heat, 25% to second heat, 25% to third heat and 25% to the horses standing best in the final summary according to the old placing system.

Money in each division 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent. In case there are three heat winners remaining (not withdrawn or distanced), at the end of the third heat, or in case of tie, the heat winners or the horses making the tie must race a fourth heat to determine the winner of the race.

In the $500 purses, $150 will be raced for in every heat and divided 50, 25, 15 and 10 per cent.

The sum of $50 will be awarded to the horse standing best in the final summary, that horse to be declared the winner of the race, old placing system to govern. In case there are three heat winners remaining (not withdrawn or distanced), at the end of the third heat, or in case of tie, the heat winners or the horses making the tie must race a fourth heat to determine who wins the $50.

From the winnings of each horse in every heat five per cent of the sum raced for in that heat will be deducted. A distanced or withdrawn horse retains what money he has won, but loses his position in the race. Positions must be drawn for before every heat.

One horse may be entered in two classes, according to Rule 38. Owners may enter and start two or more horses from the same stable.

Owners and agents will be required to comply with Rules 59 and 128. Four starters required in each and every race. No starter in any heat can win more than one money in that heat.

Colt races to be mile heats, two in three, old placing system.

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Each member reserves the right to start any heat after the fourth score, regardless of the position of the horses.

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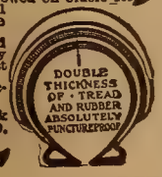
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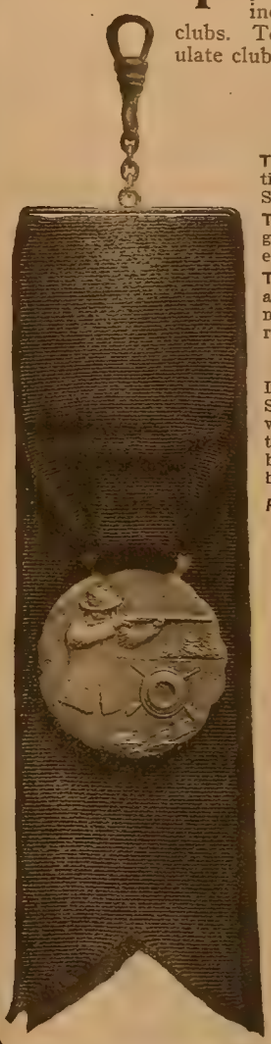


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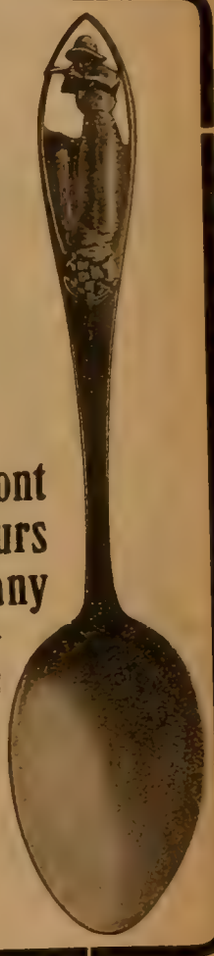


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Nominators have the right of entering two or more horses in any race by the payment of 2% additional on each horse, but only one of the horses so entered to be started in the race, and the starter is to be named by 5 o'clock P. M. the day before the race is to take place.

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The right reserved to reject any or all entries and declare off or postpone any or all races on account of weather or other sufficient cause.

Entries not declared out by 5 o'clock P. M. the day preceding the race shall be required to start and declarations must be in writing and made at the office of the Secretary at the track.

The Society reserves the right to start any heat after the fourth score, regardless of the position of the horses.

Any horse that started in 1915 without improving its record, equaling its record, and not winning a race, shall be entitled to one second.

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PROGRAM

FIRST DAY	SECOND DAY	THIRD DAY	FOURTH DAY
1—Three-year-old pacing division, Futurity Stake No. 13 (closed 1912) $1300	4—Two-year-old trotting division, Futurity Stake No. 14 (closed 1913) $1350	7—Two-year-old pacing division, Futurity Stake No. 14 (closed 1913) $1100	10—2:12 class, trotting.....$ 900
2—2:09 class, trotting..... 900	5—2:15 class, trotting..... 900	8—Three-year-old trotting division, Futurity Stake No. 13 (closed 1912) 3300	11—Free-for-all class, pacing... 900
3—2:20 class, pacing 900	6—2:10 class, pacing 900	9—2:13 class, pacing..... 900	12—2:20 class, trotting..... 900

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Nominators have the right of entering two horses in one ownership in any race by the payment of two per cent. additional, but only one of the two horses so entered to be started in the race, and the starter is to be named by 5 o'clock p. m. the day before the race is to take place.

Entrance fee five per cent. to start, three per cent. due at time entries close, two per cent. additional if not declared out on or before July 1, 1916. Declarations must be paid in full at time of declaring out. Usual five per cent. additional from winners in all races except Futurity Stakes.

Horses are to be named and eligible when entries close to the classes in which they are entered.

The Association reserves the right to declare two starters a walkover. When only two start they may contest for the entrance money paid in, divided 66 2-3 per cent. to the first and 33 1-3 per cent. to the second horse. A horse distancing the field shall be entitled to first and fourth money only and in no other case will a horse be entitled to more than one money.

The Association reserves the right to change the hour and day of any race, except when it becomes necessary to antedate a race, in which instance the nominators will receive three days' notice by mail to address of entry.

The right reserved to reject any or all entries and declare off or postpone any or all races on account of weather or other sufficient cause.

Entries not declared out by 5 o'clock p. m. the day preceding the race shall be required to start and declarations must be in writing and made at the office of the Secretary at the track.

Racing colors must be named by 5 o'clock p. m. the day preceding the race, and must be worn upon the track, in all races. Colors will be registered in the order in which they are received, and when not named or when said colors conflict, drivers will be required to wear colors designated by the Association.

The Association reserves the right to start any heat after the fourth score, regardless of the position of the horses.

All Stakes are guaranteed for the amount offered and are for the amount offered only.

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CALIFORNIA.

Butte Co. Fair at Chico	May 22-28
Monterey Co. Fair at Salinas	July 10-11
Sonoma, Marin, Mendocino and Humboldt Fair, (P. C. T. H. B. A. Meeting) at Santa Rosa,	Aug. 9-12
Solano Co. Fair at Dixon	Aug. 16-19
Yolo Co. Fair at Woodland (date not fixed).	
State Fair at Sacramento	Sept. 2- 9
Alameda Co. Fair at Pleasanton	Sept. 13-16
Ventura Co. Fair at Ventura	Sept. 13-16
Community Fair at Ripon	Sept. 15-16
Fresno Co. Fair at Fresno	Sept. 26-30
Kings Co. Fair at Hanford	Oct. 2- 7
Kern Co. Fair at Bakersfield (date not fixed).	
Riverside Co. Fair at Riverside	Oct. 10-14

ARIZONA.

Arizona State Fair at Phoenix	Nov. 13-18

NORTH PACIFIC FAIR ASSOCIATION.

Vancouver, Can., Exhibition at Vancouver,	Aug. 14-19
Southwest Washington Fair at Chehalis..	Aug. 28-Sept. 2
Interestate Fair at Spokane	Sept. 4- 9
Grays Harbor Co. Fair at Elma	Sept. 6-10
Walla Walla Co. Fair at Walla Walla	Sept. 11-13
Washington State Fair at North Yakima	Sept. 18-23
Oregon State Fair at Salem	Sept. 25-30

INTER-MOUNTAIN FAIR CIRCUIT.

Montpelier, Idaho	August 14
Rexburg, Idaho	August 21
Blackfoot, Idaho	August 28
LaGrande, Oregon	September 4
Baker, Oregon	September 11
Ontario, Oregon	September 18
Boise, Idaho	September 25
Salt Lake, Utah	October 2

THE BREEDERS' MEETING at Santa Rosa Aug. 7 to 12 will be one of the best meetings ever held at the city of roses if horsemen enter their trotters and pacers liberally. The annual fair to be held there at the same time is to be something entirely new, so far as its arangement is concerned, and the Sonoma, Marin, Mendocino and Humboldt Fair Association promises it will be far and away the most attractive fair ever held in that town. Arrangements are to be made with the railroads that will justify the prediction of the largest crowds ever seen at a district fair in California, and that is where every wise horse breeder, trainer or owner will want his horses to race. Entries for this meeting will close next Thursday, June 1st. Let the entries be numerous. It is the duty of every breeder to make an effort this year to race everywhere he can afford to.

Mr. John C. Welty, President of the National Trotting Association, has notified Mr. W. P. Ijams, President of the American Trotting Association, that he will call a Special Congress of the National Trotting Association the first week in December, 1916, to appoint a committee to confer with a similar committee from the American Trotting Association to adopt a uniform code of Rules that will govern all meetings given by both associations beginning with 1917. This is in accordance with the order adopted by the Board of Review at the May meeting.

Horsemen are suggesting that one or two runs be given each day at the Santa Rosa fair. A good idea and it may be adopted.

FOURTEEN HARNESS RACES for a total of $16,500 is the generous offering of the California State Fair this year. The classes are all given, the conditions all published, and the entries close on Thursday next, June 1st. The State Board of Agriculture has done its part and done it well. The program is more generous and the conditions more liberal than a vast majority of State Fairs offer. It is now up to the owners and trainers of trotting and pacing horses to say what sort of a field of horses will start for those $1000 purses. We hope all the best horses in training in California will be named in these events. Such a program is deserving of liberal patronage. The associations that get into the field and hang up the purses are the ones that the horsemen should patronize. If there is a big entry list at Sacramento, there will be other associations in the field making bids for the horses to come to their towns and thus the game will be fostered and boosted along. The tremendous lists of entries received by the eastern trotting associations this year are a pretty fair indication that harness racing is experiencing a big revival across the mountains. The wave of prosperity is coming westward and the more the local horsemen encourage it the greater will be its proportions when it reaches us. Enter liberally at Sacramento. The horse you are doubtful about may be the very horse that can win. So make a note of the fact that entries close on Thursday next, June 1.

WILD OATS are indigenous to the soil of California and the pioneers who brought cattle and horses to this state in "the days of '49" found the hills and valleys covered with crops of this grain that furnished splendid feed for their stock in the spring while it was green, and which owing to the rainless climate of the summer cured into the sweetest of hay as it stood, and supplied excellent and fattening food until the fall rains set in. California was then the stockman's paradise. Since the cultivation of the soil the natural wild oats, probably owing to the fact that they are fed down before seeding time, have had their seasons. This year is a wild oat year and the hills of the San Francisco bay region have borne heavy crops on land that has been lying idle. Probably owing to the heavy rainfall during January and February and the long dry spell thereafter, wild oats have had a favored season. The hills on the east side of San Francisco bay have yielded a big crop of wild oats this year and on the vacant lots and tracts on the hills back of Oakland wild oats have grown in such profusion that the high price of tame hay has induced horse owners to harvest the wild hay crop. During the past two weeks it has been a common sight to see an express wagon driver with scythe in hand cutting the self-cured hay from a vacant lot and loading it on his wagon. We heard of one "garbage collector" who cut a weighed ton from a lot that measured 200 x 125 feet, therefore about half an acre in area. And it was bright clean oat hay, too. As many as twenty men cutting hay from vacant lots were counted by one auto driver who rode through the Piedmont and Oakland hills last Sunday. With oat hay retailing at $20 a ton there is good profits in cutting wild hay from vacant lots in California this year.

DRAFT HORSES are not being put entirely out of business by the motor trucks in New York, as the following from last Sunday's New York Herald will show: "Second hand draught horses sold up to $765 a pair in the closing out auction conducted by the Fiss, Doerr & Carroll Horse Company on Wednesday for William Blumenauer, a well known contractor, who disposed of his plant and equipment under the hammer. It was the best sale of the kind held this season in New York, according to all market experts. Single horses went to $375 in the bidding, and the dump wagons and other paraphernalia brought equally good prices. It was said that some of the horses were sold for more than they cost when purchased of the Fiss, Doerr & Carroll people two or three years ago.

THE MARKET FOR POLO PONIES was strong in New York last week. Alexander Brown, of Bryn Mawr, received $6,300 for six head, and Charles A. Munn $2,100 for four head sold under the hammer at Durland's Riding Academy on Tuesday evening. Mellow Blossom, in Mr. Brown's string, made $2,450 and Gray Wolf $1,400. These are unusual prices for polo mounts at auction.

STANFORD—OCCIDENT FUTURITY No. 2.

Twenty-Eight Nominators Make Fifty-Five Entries in This Stake May 15, 1916.

Following is a complete list of the entries to the Occident-Stanford Futurity No. 2, which closed May 15th, as furnished this journal by Chas. W. Paine, Secretary of the California State Agricultural Society:

Anderson, J. N., Salinas, Cal.: Derby Dillon by Warren Dillon—Della Derby by Chas Derby.

Borden, I. L., San Francisco, Cal.: Foal by Expressive Mac—Gold Lilly by Copa de Oro; foal by Barney Barnato—Cleopatra by Zolock.

Clark, J. M., Woodland, Cal.: Foal by Jim Logan—Ruby C. by Palo King.

Cook, Chas., Irvington, Cal.: Foal by Athasham—Gypsy C. by Nutwood Wilkes.

Cornett, I. J., Salinas, Cal.: Foal by McDillon—Salinas Princess by Eugeneer; foal by Vernon McKinney—Malvina by Oh So.

Cowell, S. H., Santa Cruz, Cal.: Foal by Peter McKlyo—Dione II. by Cupid; foal by Panama—Dulda C. by Dexter Prince.

Dunne, J. F., Gilroy, Cal. Foal by Mahomet Watts—Letter B. Jr. by Benton Boy.

W. G. Durfee, Los Angeles, Cal.: Foals by Carlokin—La Gitana by Del Coronado; Carlokin—My Irene S. by Petigru; Carlokin—Ezelda by Del Coronado; Carlokin—Atherine by Patron; Carlokin—Iran Belle by Iran Alto; foals by Copa de Oro—Subito by Steinway; Copa de Oro—Pavlowa B. by Petigru; Copa de Oro—Leonor Mc. by McKinney; Copa de Oro—Reta H. by McKinney; Copa de Oro—Truly Ansel by Prince Ansel.

Emlay, F. E., Marysville, Cal.: Foal by Peter McKlyo—Beauty McKinney by Washington McKinney.

Erington, Joe, Pleasanton, Cal.: Foal by Vernon McKinney—Azrose by Azmoor; foal by Vernon McKinney—, by Searchlight.

Harkey, W. S., Gridley, Cal.: Foal by Robert Bingen—Deviletta by Diablo.

Hemet Stock Farm, Hemet, Cal.: Foal by Wilbur Lou—Leta W. by Nutwood Wilkes.

Hershey, H. A., Woodland, Cal.: Foal by Jim Logan—Palo Maid by Palo King.

Lavin, E., Stockton, Cal.: Foal by Dexter Derby—Stella McKinney by Ed. McKinney.

Lipson, Mrs. Mabel, Tulare, Cal.: Foal by Uganda—Frances B. by Best Policy; foal by Uganda—Jane C. by Zolock.

MacKenzie, R. J., Pleasanton, Cal.: Foals by Mahomet Watts—Martha Spy by The Spy; Mahomet Watts—Zombro Bell by Zombro; Mahomet Watts—Ava J. by Zombro; Mahomet Watts—Mildred Togo by Togo; foal by Quintell—Baroness Psyche by Baron Review; foal by Vernon McKinney—Hawthorn by McKinney; foal by Vernon McKinney—Hula Hula by Guy Dillon.

Marshall, J. W., Dixon, Cal.: Foals by Jim Logan—Balley Pointer by Star Pointer; Jim Logan—Ramona by Demonio.

Montgomery, Carey, Davis, Cal.: Foal by Dan Logan—Leta H. T. by Nutwood Wilkes.

Rush, B. F., Suisun, Cal.: Foal by Bodaker—La Muscovita by Alconda Jay; foal by Bon McKinney—Potrero Lass by Demonio; foal by Bodaker—Comet Demonio by Demonio; foal by Bon McKinney—Memonio by Demonio.

Ryan, Geo. F., Pleasanton, Cal.: Foal by Vernon McKinney—Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon.

Selman, W. L., Phoenix, Ariz.: Foal by Otis Jr.—Miss Delta by J. J. M. Jr.

Short, J. E., Santa Maria, Cal.: Foal by Skidoo Wilkes—Honda Girl by Cubino; foal by Wild Nutling—Rubber Girl by Skidoo Wilkes.

Silva, Chas. F., Sacramento, Cal.: Foal by Teddy Bear—Normona by Demonio.

Spooner, A. B., San Luis Obuspo, Cal.: Foal by Morris A.—San Luis Bell by McGinis.

Todhunter, L. H., Sacramento, Cal.: Foal by Peter McKlyo—Leavinette by Zombro.

Valencia Stock Farm, San Bernardino, Cal.: Foal by Pegasus—Rose Girl by Amado.

Wallis, D. W., Los Banos, Cal.: Foal by The Bondholder—Mary W. by Dictator.

Woy, M. L., Fresno, Cal.: Foal by Stanford McKinney—Loma B. by Stam B.; foal by Expressive Mac—Florence B. by Bon Voyage; foal by Expressive Mac—Strathalie by Strathway.

BUCKSKIN HORSES.

Dixon, Cal., May 24th, 1916.

Breeder and Sportsman: Is the contention true that a buckskin horse has greater staying qualities than a horse of any other color?

F. G. DUNNICLIFF.

Ans.—There has never been any endurance test for horses of different color so far as we know. Dun, or buckskin, is said by scientists to be a sign of primitive, wild ancestry in a horse. There is no doubt but there are many "buckskin" horses that have a reputation for stamina and endurance. Especially is this the case among vaqueros and stockmen. Is there a Californian who lived in this State when cattle raising was the leading industry who cannot recall the belief held among stockmen that a buckskin horse with a black line down his back and black stripes on his legs was as tough as iron and able to go any distance and carry any weight? But there is no record of color contests so far as we can learn.

HORSE NEWS FROM VANCOUVER.

The Vancouver track has been put in shape for matinees. Most of the old brigade will, I believe, be in evidence at the matinees this year, though A. R. Miller has gone to Regina with Bona Day 2:11¼ and Greco McKinney, his good green pacer by Greco B., and Mr. Marshall's good bread-winner Olga S. has apparently paced her last race, owing to the breaking of a bone during the races at our fair last August.

A. McCullough has his five-year-old trotting filly, May Bells by Walter Barker, that should make a good trotter this year. He has also purchased the three-year-old pacing colt by Kinney de Lopez, dam Nealey Stanley by On Stanley.

E. Burgoyne has purchased from James Welsh, of Ladner, the three-year-old K. M. C., who raced well last year as a two-year-old in the pacing classes. This colt is sired by B. C. King, and his dam was Arketa by McKinney. He is a very large horse and very promising. His owner says that he is not going to prepare him for racing this season, and possibly on account of his growth this is wise.

A. McKenzie has purchased from R. J. Johnston the three-year-old filly by Zobona 2:18, dam Just It by Nearest. This filly is not yet thoroughly broken, but had a good mother and, of course, sons of Zombro have some reputation as sires.

Of the old stand-bys, W. H. Mason's good Greco B. filly, Susie G., is probably the best trotter left, with the exception of George Bell's old stager Chromo, and it is within the bounds of possibility that the younger will be too much for the older one this season. Mr. Bell has also for matinee purposes the eight-year-old pacing mare Myrtha Pointer by Star Pointer, dam Myrtha Whips 2:09¼.

W. Steele has his eight-year-old trotting stallion, Amaline Lou by Kinney Lou, and threatens to do things this season.

Dr. Milloy's Sweet Nut will again be a matinee contender, and it is stated that Mr. Nicholson will return Fera Montana to the fun brigade. A number of others will, doubtless, be on hand when the bell taps on May 13, or whatever other day is chosen for the opening of the season.

At Minoru, E. C. Lewis has the following: King Bond 2:10¼, who is the most highly regarded, is a pacing stallion by The Bondsman, first dam by Cecilian, second dam by Lord Russell, third dam by Princeps, fourth dam by Hamlet, fifth dam by Brignoli. He is a very handsome, well made brown stallion with white ankles behind and is regarded as a fast pacer. He could show easy miles in 2:11 or thereabouts on a poor half mile track last season and is reported to have shown a quarter in 29 seconds on the trot in this three-year-old form. He certainly is a handsome fellow and much is expected of him.

Walter F. 2:12¼ by Simmons is the only other record holder in the lot. The gray gelding called Jimmy Osborne by Jim Kyle, dam a full sister of Annie Gould, that has been a saddle horse and up to a few weeks ago had shown no indications of speed has, by having fifteen ounces put on his front feet and a form of shoeing, converted into what looks like a promising pacer.

The two-year-old bay filly by Peter Preston, with a dam holding a record of 2:15¼, is a very atractive-looking filly that is now getting her preliminary education, as are a number of others, namely, the two-year-old brown stallion by a son of Sable Wilkes, dam by Rexall; the bay filly three-year-old by Ed. Fletcher, son of Ed. Custer, dam by Five Points. The latter is a very handsome filly and a trotter.

The three-year-old trotting colt by Quintell 2:12½, out of the record mare already mentioned, stands next to this one and is a well made and attractive filly. A small chestnut horse by King Entertainer 2:10¼ is highly regarded. The black roan filly by D. J. McDonald, son of Baron Moore, dam by Jim Kyle, and a bay filly by the same sire, dam unknown, complete the string of Mr. Lewis' own horses.

He also has there two horses owned by Dixon Bros., formerly mentioned, both of which are showing speed. The weather has been so backward, however, that no real work has been done.

Mr. Loomis has five horses, the aged ones being Frank D. Nichol 2:20½ by Cresceus 2:02¼, dam Silpan by Silver Bow, and Prince Malone by Kinney Lou, dam Princess Bessum; the three-year-old trotting stallion by Zobona 2:18, dam Mona, who is particularly good gaited; the three-year-old Red Squirrel by Bland S. 2:03¼, dam Chipmunk, who has grown and is a handsome individual, and the three-year-old bay stallion mentioned recently as belonging to J. K. Campbell and about whom it is difficult to obtain details as to breeding. I think he is by Direcho and that his dam was Nealey Stanley by On Stanley. He is a very compact, small colt and up to date has not been given sufficient handling to predict much about his speed qualities.

At Ladner, sixteen or seventeen miles distant, Mr. Handford has Uncle Tom by Mon Bars, a fair trotter, and three colts, one a full sister to Mr. Nixon's good filly, Beauty B.

The above list is not exhaustive and does not pretend to be so. There may be other horses in this vicinity equally or more deserving of notice, but the writer has not come in touch with them or does not remember them at the moment.—W. C. Brown in Rural Spirit.

The Oregon State Fair board, with co-operation of commercial organizations, will hold matinee races at the Salem fair grounds on July 4th.

RECORD MEETING AT LOS ANGELES.

The Los Angeles Harness Horse Association held a breeders' meeting on Friday of last week to give several of the owners who have horses in training an opportunity to mark them before W. G. Durfee and other trainers left for the eastern and other circuits. Eight horses were given breeders' records, six of them trotters and two pacers.

The fastest mile by a trotter was made by the bay mare Maggie M. owned by Mr. C. H. Morgan and driven by Baker. She circled the track in 2:12¼, a fast mile for a mare that had no previous record.

W. G. Durfee drove the three-year-old trotter Manuelito by Manrico (3) 2:07¼ a nice mile in 2:14¾, a reduction of nearly 10 seconds from his record of 2:24½ made as a two-year-old last December, and drove the two-year-old colt Troubadour a mile at the pace in 2:25. Troubadour is by Carlokin 2:07½ and is out of the same dam as Manuelito. Their dam, My Irene S. 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½, is now the dam of six standard performers, namely: Esperanza 2:09, Carl (3) 2:14¼, Manuelito (3) 2:14¾ and Carlos (3) 2:29¼, trotters, and the pacers Zorene 2:10¼ and Troubadour (2) 2:25.

Durfee also gave the eight-year-old brown stallion Alhambra Prince by Redlac 2:07½ a mark of 2:14½ trotting, and then drove Alhambra Duke, a three-year-old gelding by Alhambra Prince, a mile in 2:17½ pacing.

Mr. Durfee also gave Hemet Stock Farm's young stallion Wilbur Lou a new representative in the list by driving Kinsman Lou, a two-year-old colt by him, to a record of 2:26½.

Quite a number of spectators enjoyed the afternoon's sport. The summary:

Los Angeles, Friday, May 19, 1916.

To beat 2:22½ trotting:
Manuelito, ch g (3) by Manrico (3) 2:07¼—My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½....(Durfee) 2:14¾

To beat 2:25¼ pacing:
Troubadour, b c (2) by Carlokin 2:07½—My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½.....(Durfee) 2:25

To beat 2:30¼ trotting:
Maggie M., b m (7).....(Baker) 2:12¼

To beat 2:27 trotting:
Alhambra Prince, br h (8) by Redlac 2:07½—Patti W. by Geo. W. McKinney 2:14¼.....(Durfee) 2:14½

To beat 2:25¼ pacing:
Alhambra Duke, b g (3) by Alhambra Prince 2:18¼—Ezelda W. by Del Coronado 2:09½.... .....(Durfee) 2:17½
Cima, b m (9) by Limonero 2:15¾—Sona 2:16 by McKinney 2:11¼ .....(Durfee) 2:21

To beat 2:30¼ trotting:
Juanita G., b f (3).....(Durfee) 2:27

To beat 2:30¼ trotting:
Kinsman Lou, b c (2) by Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼—Sona 2:16 by McKinney 2:11¼.....(Durfee) 2:26½

SAN FRANCISCO-CALIFORNIA CLUB MATINEE.

Wind and dust made the day anything but pleasant at the track in Golden Gate Park last Sunday, but the racing was good and without any particular feature except a collision in the second heat of the second race when Mr. E. T. Ayres was thrown from his sulky and sustained a severely wrenched ankle. Owing to the wind the time was not as fast as the horses were capable of showing but the races furnished good sport throughout. The summary:

First race—2:20 trot:

Merrylena.....(J. H. Wilkins)	1	1	
Minequa .....(M. Ford)	2	2	
Matawan .....(J. McNamara)	3	3	

Time—1:47¼, 1:44.

Second race—2:18 pace:

Little Jack.....(G. Conlan)	1	1	
Victor Pointer .....(D. Keating)	3	2	
Little Dick .....(A. Scott)	4	3	
Dr. Dawson .....(E. T. Ayres)	2	d	

Time—1:40, 1:44.

Third race—Free-for-all pace:

Bradmont.....(G. J. Giannini)	1	4	1
Pointer Belle .....(J. M. Kidd)	4	1	4
Emma M. .....(William Malough)	2	2	2
W. J. K. .....(W. J. Kenney)	3	3	3

Time—1:38½, 1:41½, 1:40.

Fourth race—Free-for-all trot:

Harold C. .....(Harold Cohn)	1	1	
Ella M. R.....(G. J. Giannini)	2	2	

Time—1:38½, 1:40.

Fifth race—2:15 pace:

King Pointer .....(H. Campodonico)	1	3	1
Mabel Dillon .....(B. Cohen)	2	1	2
Senator H. .....(J. M. Kidd)	3	2	3

Time—1:42¼, 1:38, 1:39½.

Half a dozen visitors to Poughkeepsie from New York last Friday had the extra pleasure of seeing Murphy give the first stiff work to last season's champion money winner, Peter Scott, this being the first time the visitors had seen the great trotter since last year, writes Asdikian in the New York Telegraph. The champion is certainly in magnificent form right now, while his caretaker, John Clark, the boy who received a $1000 check from the horse's owner as a Christmas gift, is ready to wager part of it that, barring accident, his world beater will trot a mile in 2:03 or better either in a race or against time if started, and his challenge is open to all. In the afternoon the guests, led by Mr. Murphy, wanted to look Peter Scott over at halter, but there was nothing doing, as, in the judgment of Clark, the afternoon was sort of drafty, and besides he was just then too busy washing boots, harness, etc., and taking special notice of the two kodaks in the crowd.

That a public record no longer indicates the class in which a trotter can race is shown by the entry of Lou Jennings 2:06¾ in the 2:15 class this season on Michigan half mile tracks. The mare gets an allowance of four seconds for having been unplaced in her last four races last season, and four more because her record was made on a mile track.

DEATH OF KLATAWAH (3) 2:05½.

Word comes from Indiana of the death of Klatawah at the age of 21 years. At three years of age this son of Steinway and Katie G. by Electioneer was a great race horse and in the stable of the late Thos. Keating in 1898, whose health was then fast failing, he made a campaign across the mountains racing against aged horses and meeting defeat but once. That was the race in which he took the world's record at that time of 2:05½ for three-year-old pacers. It was in the first heat of the $5000 pace for 2:18 class horses. Miss Logan, another Californian, took the next three heats in 2:08¼, 2:08, 2:08. Klatawah started eight times that year, won seven straight races and was only defeated in his last start, which was at Louisville, September 28th. Klatawah started his campaign at Denver, where he won two races. His next start was at Peoria, where he won over a good field of twelve in 2:07¾, 2:09 and 2:06¼. The following week at Cleveland the son of Steinway headed the summary over a field of thirteen, and paced the opening round in 2:07. His next appearance was at Louisville. He won a race at the Kentucky city Sept. 27th, but after winning the first heat in the big stake the following day, lost the race to Miss Logan 2:06¼, but headed such good performers as Lady of The Manor 2:04¼ and Hetty G. 2:04¼, in the summary. It was in this event that he took the world's record, reducing it nearly four seconds, and he held it until 1909 when another California three-year-old, Jim Logan, equaled it, and in 1912 Miss de Forrest and Impetuous Palmer both reduced it a quarter of a second to 2:05¼. The three-year-old pacing record is now 2:00¾, held by the filly Anna Bradford. Gen. Todd with a mile of 2:04¼ is the fastest colt, and Rayo de Oro 2:07¼ by Copa de Oro is the fastest three-year-old gelding.

Since placed in the stud, Klatawah produced several good race horses, including Periolat 2:05¼, Emma Lou 2:08½, French Girl 2:10 and others, having altogether forty-two sons and daughters in the list. Klatawah was bred by Mr. John F. Boyd at Oakwood Stock Farm, Danville, Contra Costa county, California.

PETER THE GREAT'S RECORD.

The year book of the American Trotting Register Association furnishes the first official figures concerning the sires of the trotters and pacers that became standard by performance in 1915—that is, took records of 2:30 or better at the trot, or 2:25 or better pacing, says H. T. White in Chicago Herald.

Peter the Great, long in the van as a sire of colt trotters of the champion class, now stars as the first stallion to have fifty of his get enter "the list" in one season, his figures for the 1915 season being sixty, of which forty-five were trotters. Among these trotters were two world's champions for their age and sex, Peter Volo (4) 2:02 and Volga (2) 2:07¾. Peter Volo set a new mark for all four-year-olds, while Volga equaled the record for two-year-old fillies, the 2:07¾ of Native Belle, but decisively shaded the Moko filly's performance by coming back another mile in 2:09¾—the best two heats by a two-year-old filly.

Seven of the forty-five new trotters by Peter the Great took records under 2:15 and three of them beat 2:10, the seven being: Volga 2:07¾, Great Governor 2:08½, Miss Pierette 2:09¾, Lilly the Great 2:11¾, Lady McKee 2:12¾, Jane Ann 2:13¼ and Wenban 2:14¾. Their average age was 3.57 years, the eldest being Great Governor, 5.

An interesting fact concerning these seven speediest ones of the family yield in 1915 is that the only one having a dam that also was a developed trotter is Lily the Great, she being from Mary Louise 2:27½, by J. J. Audubon 2:19, son of Alcyone 2:27, he by George Wilkes 2:22.

Three generations of developed speed in the male line made a trotter of Mary Louise, but her best foal is the champion three-year-old pacer, Anna Bradford 2:00¾, by Todd Mac 2:07¾, trotting, son of the trotter Todd 2:14¾, he by Bingen 2:06¼. It is such freaks as this that keep the theorists, who are trying to breed trotters, busy with their checkbooks.

R. M. Williams, who brought suit against the National Trotting Association and its secretary, W. H. Gocher, for $25,000 damages last week, has just purchased a stock farm of two hundred acres, near Columbia, Tenn., and established a new stud of trotters, with the fast stallion High Admiral 2:07¾ at its head. Mr. Williams has made a small fortune for himself in handling about sixty thousand war horses since hostilities began in Europe, and is now going to breed trotters in his native state and sell them as yearlings in New York. His broodmares include the crack pacer Alice Pointer 2:05½, by Star Pointer 1:59¼, in foal to Peter Mac 2:03½. High Admiral is a ten-year-old son of Admiral Dewey 2:04½, and Avena 2:19¼, by Palo Alto 2:08¾. He is said to have trotter a quarter at a 2:00 gait when one year old. Ed Geers afterwood drove him a mile in 2:05¾ in his work. His sire was a son of Bingen 2:06¼, and Nancy Hanks 2:04. High Admiral is himself the sire of five young trotters in the 2:30 list, one of them being the sensational filly Bessie Admiral 2:28, whose record, when made, was the fastest in the books for a yearling on a half mile track.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

Thoroughbred Matters

AN ENGLISHMAN'S VIEWS.

A highly-interested and delightfully interesting visitor to the races at Lexington this spring has been Edward Moorhouse, of London. Mr. Moorhouse is a director of the British Bloodstock Agency of London, editor of the Bloodstock Breeders' Review, was for many years Special Commissioner of The Sporting Life and before that sporting editor of the Pall Mall Gazette; is the author of "The History and Romance of the Derby," and is a Fellow of the Institute of Journalists.

He has been going about among the breeding farms and has been a guest of the Kentucky Association at the races. Mr. Moorhouse was interrogated as to the chief purpose of his visit to this country and this inquiry was succeeded by others, until the following interview was produced:

"It is to meet the leading men associated with blood-stock (thoroughbred horses), to study their aims and the means by which they are striving to attain the end they have in view, that I have come to the United States and to Kentucky," said he. "I have for many years followed with keen interest racing and breeding developments in this country, but it is one thing merely to read about such matters and quite another to get into personal contact with them and, more especially, with the men who have fashioned and are still fashioning the history of the thoroughbred in this truly wonderful country. I am here as a student—a learner. I realize that many good and some great horses have been bred and raced in the United States, and I am convinced that what your breeders of the past have done can be equaled and probably surpassed by the breeders of the present day.

"As you know, we in England are passing through a trying period. Owing to the war, racing has been cut down to such an extent that the breeding of bloodstock has become a precarious industry. Let me quote one or two facts by way of emphasizing that statement. In 1913, the last year before the war began, there were sold at our great Doncaster yearling sales 321 lots for an aggregate of $1,007,290, so that the average yield per yearling was $3,450. That was a record as regards both the aggregate and the average. The Doncaster sales in 1914 were held five weeks after the commencement of the war. On that occasion 220 yearlings made $274,080, the average being $1,245. Last autumn the yearling sales were held at Newmarket because there was no racing at Doncaster and 260 lots were disposed of for $255,890, so that the average was reduced to $980. That meant that nine breeders out of ten were selling at a loss. Scores of yearlings made less than the covering fee paid by the breeder. Bad as this result was, it would have been infinitely worse but for the competition occasioned by the bidding of commissioners representing wealthy American owners. You may be sure we in England will follow racing in the States during the next year or two with the liveliest interest. You have not imported the best thoroughbred stock that England and Ireland can produce, but you have certainly secured a good sample.

"The broodmares and stallions brought to this country have been selected judiciously for the most part. It would not be becoming to me to discuss now the pros and cons of the question whether the American thoroughbred is as great a proposition as the pure British thoroughbred. I hope I have no prejudices in regard to that matter. Anyway, I am prepared to admit that the American thoroughbred is not the pariah which some people try to make out. My respect for the species has been intensified during the last few days. Let me say, however: You will never make the headway in this country that you ought to until you pay much greater attention to long-distance racing. It seems to me that you carry the glorification of speed to a needless extreme. One of our English racing rules stipulates that there must be at least one contest each day over a distance not less than a mile and a half, and other rules tend to curb the hankering after sprinting. Even so, I have long been of the opinion that we might with advantage go much farther in the direction of encouraging stamina. The first and last aim of racing should be to improve the breed of horses by affording a conclusive test of their merits. If it merely results in the production of racing machinery whose lungs are clogged after they have covered three-quarters of a mile, the sport is of little or no practical service and becomes simply an amusement. A horse which can win over a mile and a quarter in good class company, carrying a substantial weight, is, in my opinion, the animal calculated to get the right kind of stock. His offspring will in all probability include both sprinter and stayers by reason of the segregation of heritable characters in accordance with the Mendelian law.

"What do I think of American racing? The Lexington meeting is so far the only one I have attended on this continent. To me, accustomed to the expansive heath at Newmarket and the spacious tracks at Ascot, Goodwood, Doncaster and other places that might be named, the Lexington track seems very small and 'trappy.' On such a course luck seems to play an unduly big part—luck and jockeyship. Of course, jockeyship is an essential ingredient of racing, but racing can be ideal only when all the horses are given equal chances, and that essential is unobtainable in sprints in which the competitors have to negotiate a sharp turn like that at Lexington and when the final straight is only about a quarter. I have noticed that in the majority of races here the horse that wins has generally been first or second at the turn into the straight. There are not the chops and changes we see in England in the last eighth or two on our straight courses, which affords a slow beginner a chance of overcoming his initial disadvantage. But let me say I have greatly enjoyed the racing at Lexington. I have seen many good-looking horses, especially among the two-year-olds, and I have made the acquaintance of some fine sportsmen. The camaraderie which animates the meeting is most noticeable. It is a spirit we find in Ireland much more than in England.—Thoroughbred Record.

The Macomber Importations.

The thoroughbreds selected in England by Walter Jennings and imported to this country for Mr. A. K. Macomber of Burlingame, California, have aroused much interest and favorable comment from the eastern turfmen who have seen them. Star Hawk, who in his first start ran second in the Kentucky Derby after being left at the post, is pronounced one of the most beautiful thoroughbreds ever imported to this country. He started in six races in England, winning twice, finishing second once, third once, and unplaced twice. He, with the rest of the sixteen Jennings importations, wintered at Palmetto Park, Charleston, South Carolina.

The other three-year-olds in the Macomber importation were fine individuals and richly bred, but while one of them, Hesperus, did not race as a two-year-old, the other, The Cock, who started four times, failed to reach a place.

Mr. Jennings appeared to have the future of Mr. Macomber's aspirations as a breeder clearly in mind when he bought his baker's dozen of two-year-olds, for while three of them are colts, no less than ten are fillies. Six of these two-year-olds are by the popular and successful sire, Sunflower, four are by Sunstar, and one each by Cicero, Roquelaure and Buckwheat.

All these animals were bought in a "bunch" from J. B. Joel, one of the most successful of England's breeders and turfmen. In making this selection, Walter Jennings was accompanied by A. J. Joyner, and when one looks over the entire lot he cannot but be impressed with the fact that both of these skilled and experienced turfman were at their best when they were choosing them, for they make up an exceptionally fine lot of individuals aside from the fact that they are all regally bred.

Gov. Stanley Endorses Racing.

At the first annual dinner of the Kentucky Thoroughbred Horse Association held at Lexington, Governor Stanley of Kentucky said he has a fondness for the sport of racing, though his busy public life has afforded him little opportunity to enjoy much of it, but he is for racing, he said, for another and higher reason because he is patriotic. "The horse is essential to any country's preparedness for defense against the encroachment of any other nation," said he. "The horse is just as necessary in war as is the gun and as are explosives. The thoroughbred blood is required to produce the ideal horse for war purposes as well as for general purposes. Without the thoroughbred, therefore, we cannot have the proper horse. Without racing we cannot have the thoroughbred. I am for racing that we may have the best possible horses." The Governor unhesitatingly pledged his friendly offices in behalf of racing, and asserted his belief that the breeding of thoroughbred horses is an ennobling occupation. He realized, he said, that his views would not meet with the approval of many persons who, under the guise of reform, have objected to racing, "but," he concluded, "when it becomes so that I may not frankly say what I believe, then I shall get out of politics."

Mont Blanc, one of George Wingfield's imported colts by Grey Leg, won at four and a half furlongs at Tijuana last Saturday in 55 seconds. Mont Blanc is a gray colt and a two-year-old. He defeated a good field and was as good as 30 to 1 in the betting.

It looks as if Harry Kelly, the chestnut son of Ultimus, would be one of the best two-year-olds of the year. He has won his last three starts and won the Bashford Manor stakes at Louisville last week, four and a half furlongs in :53¾, which is within four-fifths of a second of the Churchill Downs track record, and the track was not fast. The colt is owned by J. W. Schorr.

S. C. Hildreth, who is training the racing string of August Belmont, chairman of The Jockey Club, has about 25 colts and aged horses at work. Stromboli, winner of last year's Suburban and winner of six other races during the season, is now five years old and is as sound as a new dollar. Of unquestioned speed and gameness, he may be expected to train on and add to his reputation as a high class race horse. Stromboli is by Fair Play.

Jockeys Troxler and A. Schuttinger will ride as free lances on the New York tracks this season.

Couldn't Fool Him.

Walter Jennings, in order to be near the track, has been occupying a well-appointed room adjoining one of the stables down at Jamaica for the last few days. Last night just as he was getting ready for bed he had a caller in the person of Starter Mars Cassidy, who enlivened the occasion with weird tales of brigandage as practiced down around Juarez last winter.

"And say," Mr. Cassidy declared in hushed tones as he got up finally to take his leave, "you know there was a man beaten almost to death in this very room a few months ago by thieves. They were after his diamond rings and jewelry."

"Stop your joshing," Mr. Jennings retorted scornfully, as he stripped a pair of many-karat rings from his finger and extricated a brilliant scarf pin from his tie, preparatory to retiring. "Any one with diamond rings wouldn't be sleeping in a stable!"—Daily Telegraph.

A big program is being arranged for Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week at Tijuana. Tuesday is Memorial Day, consequently a legal holiday in California, and Manager Coffroth hopes to get a lot of visitors to his track who will remain for the four days.

The Liverpool Grand National Steeplechase which is over a course that exceeds four miles in length, was won by Cloister in 1893 by over forty lengths, when that horse carried 175 pounds.

In riding the winners of the entire card of six races at Churchill Downs, Louisville, Ky., June 5, 1907, James Lee (colored) established a world's record. "Monk" Overton (colored) rode six winners at Washington Park, Chicago, July 10, 1891. There were seven races on the card. He had no mount in the second race. C. Turner, on April 9, 1912, at Charleston, S. C., piloted six of his seven mounts to victory. Eleven other jockeys gained the distinction of having won the full card, but in each instance there were five races or less on the program. Fifty-three times have American jockeys ridden five winners in one day, but in all save thirteen instances they had mounts in six or seven races. At Benning, April 3, 1906, Walter Miller rode the winners of the last five races and the following day won the first three races, making eight successive victories. At the Harlem track, Chicago, September 7 and 8, 1900, W. Buchanan rode nine winners out of eleven mounts. Instances of four winners ridden in one day in this country are too numerous to mention.

Joseph E. Seagram furnished the winner of the King's Plate, the big feature of the opening of the Canadian racing season, in the three-year-old Mandarin. The latter's stable companion, Gala Water, was second, and Gala Day, another stable companion, third. There were only six starters, and the Seagram entry had things pretty much their own way most of the trip. Mandarin made all of his own pace and won under restraint. He is evidently a good colt and much better than the race showed, as there was no opposition back of him. It was the first time in eight years that the Seagram colors were carried to victory in this famous old Canadian classic.

General Wilkes, a four-year-old son of Marvin Wilkes, is winning races in New Zealand.

UNIVERSITY HORSE SHOW.

An official catalog has just announced the rules and classes of the third annual Commencement Horse Show held by the Agricultural Club of the University of Missouri and the citizens of the city and county in which that school is located. The show will be held on the nights of May 29 and 30, and the afternoon of May 30 on the athletic field of the institution.

First prizes of from $25 to $35 are offered in most of the thirty-six classes, with two to three other liberal prizes in each class, but in some cases handsome trophies are to be awarded instead of money prizes. Harness horses and roadsters will receive most of the attention with eleven classes out of the total of thirty-six, and money prizes will be offered in ten of these eleven classes. Fine three- and five-gaited saddle horses come next, six classes apiece, while light harness horses and ponies have four classes each, and competition in runabout horses, tandems, fine harness horses, and riding teams will be narrowed to one class apiece. There will also be a high-school horse exhibition and potato race.

Although the booklet announcing the classes, prizes and trophies has just been issued, the entries already received include nineteen made by Miss Loula Long of Kansas City, ten from Blades and Holman, and several from Porter D. Taylor, Montgomery City. Professor E. A. Trowbridge, Consulting Secretary, feels sure that practically all the old exhibitors and a number of new ones will be on hand this year.

This horse show is unique in being the only show of its kind managed largely or altogether by college students and in requiring no entry fees and no take-outs. The Board of Directors consists of twelve men chosen from the student body of the College of Agriculture who have chosen C. R. Thompson of Columbia as Secretary and E. A. Trowbridge as Consulting Secretary. They have also secured the advice and assistance of an Advisory Council of eighteen business men and farmers of Columbia and Boone county.

Something New At Santa Rosa

Forest Carnival to be Held in Conjunction With Pacific Coast Breeders Meeting

The Sonoma, Marin, Mendocino and Humboldt Fair Association, whose big fairs of 1913 and 1914 drew tremendous crowds and were successful in every way, proposes to outdo both those fairs this year and with the aid of the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders' Association will hold a fair and race meeting in August that will eclipse anything ever seen in the beautiful city of Santa Rosa, which, in the slang of the day will be going some, as the city of roses has held some very successful expositions.

The fair of 1916 is to be on a new plan which is here outlined by the Santa Rosa Press Democrat:

"The Forest Carnival," the very latest idea in uniqueness of display and entertainment, will be staged in the picturesque grove of trees at the race track here during the big race meeting of the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders' Association in Santa Rosa, August 7-12.

The old-time plan of exhibits of products under pavilion roof or canvas tent, is out of the question and not in the consideration in point of uniqueness when it comes to staging these displays in the open air, with the roof tree foliage and the starry heavens as a canopy. No cramped space, either. Twenty acres of grove are available for "The Forest Pageant," or if you prefer it, "Fairyland in August."

The novelty was suggested to the fair directors at a meeting held here on Monday and was adopted as the thing for the coming August at the time when the races are here. It is a big thing and it will be sure to prove the attraction of the year when it comes to county fairs.

The grove will all be laid out with streets and lanes and the exhibits will be located in the various blocks thus formed. There will be booths, buildings, etc., as required, under the trees and the whole will be brilliantly illuminated at night with thousands of electric lights and Chinese lanterns.

Already the directors have been given assurances that the principal manufacturing interests of the county will make appropriate displays of their wares and there will be many feature exhibits, including a model chicken ranch with brooder-house, real chickens in pens, and everything just as it is found on an actual ranch anywhere in the county. This will prove of much interest to visitors from a distance and all who have not visited some of the chicken ranches in the country.

It is proposed to provide some interesting amusement features such as ball games, campfires, pageants, musical programs, etc., in connection with the day and evening so as to give interesting amusement for all. Then, too, there will be the usual other fair attractions on the grounds.

Nothing will be left undone to make the affair the most interesting and successful ever held in Sonoma county and it is expected all sections of the county will join in doing their share to make it a big thing from the point of attendance as well.

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Anyone who has ever visited the Santa Rosa Stock Farm track and grounds will readily see what wonderful advantages its twenty acre grove of beautiful trees has for just such a display as is above suggested. Under the umbrageous shade of those old oaks, elms and mulberries the exhibit booths will take on a charm that will be unique in its way and something never before seen at a fair in California. Arrangements are being made to string thousands of electric lights through this grove and a big dancing platform is one of the proposed attractions. But just wait until the committeemen make their report and you will determine then and there to set aside the week of August 7th to 12th for a visit to Santa Rosa.

The Santa Rosa Race Track, which was the place where the first 2:00 trotter got her first lesson in wearing harness, is now in fine shape for training, the veteran Sam Norris having charge of it. Mr. Norris knows just how to work it, and every trainer who is driving horses over it at the present time says it is just right.

Keefer and Spencer have the largest string in training there, and are hoping for a California circuit big enough to induce them to race at home. That grandly bred stallion The Proof 2:10¾, that made a hard campaign last year, starting no less than 19 times and getting his record in the third heat of a race, is in improved shape over last year. He has taken on some flesh and while he has not been given any fast miles looks and acts like a horse that will trot in 2:05 or better. He is following his sire The Exponent in giving his produce solid color, good looks and trotting ability, and is bound to be a high class sire himself.

Bonnie Ansel 2:09¼ can be considered about well of all the ailments that bothered her last year. She has a wonderful flight of speed, having shown a mile in 2:07½ and a half in 1:02½ at Sacramento last year.

Vallejo King 2:10½, owned by Tom Smith of Vallejo, is getting regular work and will be ready for the races. He has been no miles better than 2:21 so far this spring but has marched a quarter in 31¾ seconds and acted as if he could trot a bit faster if necessary.

Butch, a six-year-old brown gelding by Kinney Lou 2:07¾, dam Missie Medium (dam of 3 in the list) by Rampart, is owned by Mr. M. Walz of Healdsburg, and while a green horse with only two months' work under Spencer's care is stepping along like a real trotter.

The only pacer in this string is Memento by Alcona Wilkes, that is owned by Nick Haavesland, one of Spencer & Keeffe's caretakers. Memento is some pacer and will be ready to start in some of the slow classes.

Mr. C. G. Owen of 5122 Mission street has sent his two-year-old filly, Ella O. by Moko Hall, dam by Kinney Lou, to Santa Rosa for training and Spencer says that she is just about the most promising young thing he has ever handled. He took her unbroken and the tenth time he ever drove her a quarter she trotted it in 39 seconds and gave every evidence that she could have done better if asked. This is some speed for a baby in the primary class and as she is well staked she, like all fast females, is being much talked about.

The Expense, now a three-year-old, is the very first of the get of The Proof, and while 2:24 is the best mile she has been driven this spring, some idea of the speed she has on tap can be gained by an eighth in 15½ seconds which she showed the other day. She is filling out into a splendid looking mare and is certainly a credit to her sire.

Nuristo 2:10¼ is looking fine and on this track, where he made his record two years ago, he bids fair to gain more honors. Owing to the fact that he did not win last year he is eligible to the 2:12 class this year.

Arista Ansel 2:18¼ as a two-year-old, and eligible to the 2:20 class, is now a six-year-old and Spencer has considerable faith in again getting her to the races. Her hind foot, in which she ran a nail a year ago and which at one time looked as if she would never step on again, is almost normal and she shows only the slightest limp in it after being speeded. If she trains sound she will get out of the 2:20 class by ten seconds easily enough.

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John Compton's string of three are getting a few fast brushes, but no fast miles have been asked of any of the trio as yet. A seven-year-old chestnut gelding by Lynwood W., dam by Alcona, has been a mile in 2:20 with an eighth in 15½ seconds, which is testimony to the speed he has. He is owned by Mr. L. L. Cannon of Penn Grove, president of the Sonoma Driving Club, a very thriving organization that will open its matinee season at Santa Rosa June 25th.

Another son of Lynwood W. in Compton's charge is Pfeister's Lynwood, a dark chestnut gelding whose dam is by Gossiper. He worked a mile in 2:12½ last season at the trot, and this year a mile in 2:20, last half in 1:08 and last quarter in 32 seconds, is the best showing he has made.

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W. A. Steuart, the Humboldt horseman, has a string of four pacers and all are being made ready to race. Emmaline Dillon is a six-year-old bay mare by Guy Dillon, dam by John L. She took a record of 2:12¾ over the half male track at Ferndale last year, starting in two races and winning them both in straight heats. She can pace a half mile in a minute and 2:05 won't stop her when she is right.

Don Remo is a light bay three-year-old, green, but a racy looking fellow and he has shown a mile in 2:20¼ already. He is by Irving Pointer and his dam is by Greco B., so he has some very fast relatives.

Potreress is the name of a five-year-old chestnut mare by Potrero Boy 2:06¼, dam by Alton, son of Altamont. She has a breeder's record of 2:22½ but is green so far as racing goes. She has the speed of her ancestry, however, as a mile in 2:14½, quarters in 30 seconds and an eighth in 14½ seconds has shown. Mannie Reams of Suisun bred this mare.

Bonnie Quinn, seven-year-old bay mare, owned by Pat Quinn of Humboldt county, had a trial recently in 2:15½. Stewart says that all she lacks is brush, but as she is always trotting and trying she will do to race against some horses that seem to be faster. She is by Bonnie Steinway out of a mare by Waldstein, and eligible to the 2:20 class. She won two races last year, one a six heat affair in which she took a mark of 2:19¾, and this on a half mile track.

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Frank S. Turner's horses are occupying ten stalls and while he does not expect to do much racing this year he is just as enthusiastic a breeder as when prices were five times what they are now. The young colts and fillies he has that resulted from his taking a number of his best bred mares to Illinois and mating them with The Exponent are enough to make any breeder enthusiastic if he has any love for handsome young trotters. Three of Mr. Turner's best mares lost foals this spring by his three-year-old colt Exponent Mac, two foaling ahead of time and the other being accidentally smothered after arrival. But even this bad luck has put no crimp in Turner's optimism and he intends to keep on breeding trotters.

There is in the Turner stalls a bay trotting mare by Guy Dillon out of Adioo, therefore a full sister to that half mile track sensation of last year Adioo Guy 2:10¾. This mare was recently purchased by Mr. J. H. Rossiter, the San Francisco capitalist who manages the extensive Pacific Coast end of W. R. Grace & Co., one of the world's largest shipping firms. Mr. Rossiter purchased this mare for the express purpose of breeding her to Exponent Mac this season, and if there is anything in combining fast blood lines, the result should be a real fast one. Turner named this mare Miss Wise Guy, as he states that when a yearling, running with other colts in pasture, she could hear his voice farther and get her nose into the feed box sooner than any of the others whenever the crushed oats were dished out.

The stallion Guy Dillon is in fine shape this spring. He now has an even dozen standard performers to his credit, headed by the pacer Guy Borden 2:07¼, and there are three or four more that are just ready to enter the 2:10 list and will doubtless get there before the racing season of 1916 ends.

The real violator of the speed limit law in Turner's stable is the chestnut gelding Dr. William S. Jennings 2:11. L. L. Cannon timed this fellow a quarter in 28¾ seconds recently and a half in 1:02¾ to wind up a mile in 2:13 the other day was easy for him.

Geo. Trowbridge's mare Miss Trowbridge trotted a nice mile in 2:26 and a half in 1:11 the other day and will doubtless be heard from this year if she is raced. She is by Guy Dillon out of a mare by Anteeo.

Turner's colts by The Exponent are a swell looking lot of youngsters. Exponent Mac, the three-year-old, naturally attracts the most attention as he is nearer grown than the others, and he is surely a very handsome and classy looking fellow. The Exponent must be a remarkable sire as there is a certain individuality in color and form with which he stamps all his produce that we have seen here in California. And the fact that at the age of eleven years he has a standard list of 60 performers speaks volumes for him. We doubt if there are four better looking colts by one sire to be found anywhere than the three colts and one filly by The Exponent that are in Turner's stables. Of course they are all out of high class mares, which helps a great deal, but The Exponent mark is on every one of them.

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Frank D. McGregor, who has been in the game with one or two trotters ever since trotting horses were first bred in Sonoma county, is still at it. He steals an hour or two from business every day to drive out to the track and give the very handsome and racy-looking mare Jessie Dillon some attention. This mare is a rich chestnut and has a breeder's record of 2:26¾ trotting, has trotted a mile in her work this year in 2:21, with a quarter in 31½ seconds very comfortably.

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Sam Norris is about the busiest man at the Santa Rosa track as he superintends the working of the track, has a string of seven or eight in training and has been buying thoroughbreds for the Japanese Government. He recently bought 19 head of thoroughbreds, 14 from Tom Elrick, and among others has bought the stallion King Bright. Norris has a trotting mare by Kinney Lou out of the dam of Lady Mowry 2:09¼ that is owned by Mr. K. Nagasawa, a prominent Japanese of Sonoma county. This mare is to be bred to one of Frank Turner's Exponent colts.

A five-year-old sorrel roan by Lynwood W., dam by Nutwood Wilkes, is a promising trotter, as with only two weeks' work at the track he has shown a mile in 2:50 and a quarter in 38 seconds.

A bay trotter by Lynwood out of a Gossiper mare is showing well. He is a five-year-old and is a full brother to Pfeister's Lynwood that is in John Compton's string.

Stewart Peterson's trotter by Sir John S. is still sticking to that gait, although he is by a pacer and out of a pacing mare. He has trotted quarters at a 2:20 gait and shows no inclination to shift to the lateral way of going.

The big colt by Dickens B. out of a Secretary mare is growing so fast that Norris is not trying him for speed very much but says he handles himself very nicely for a growthy two-year-old.

The Potrero, six years, full brother to Potrero Boy 2:06¼ and Airlie Demonio 2:05½, is working nicely. A mile in 2:17½ is his best work this spring, the last half in 1:06 and the last quarter in 30¾ seconds. The manner in which he takes his work and his superb race horse looks makes him the candidate for 2:10 honors by all parties. Like his famous brothers he is a pacer. He is owned by Tobe Mitchell.

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Last Tuesday, the day the above notes were made, was a freak day in the weather annals of Santa Rosa. The sun was shining brightly as the writer left San Francisco at 8:15 a. m. At Petaluma the wind was blowing strong and the clouds obscured the sun, and when the train reached Santa Rosa at 10:45 the rain was falling. There were three or four showers between that time and 2:30 p. m., and about noon a hailstorm made the ground white for a few minutes. Owing to this freaky condition of things none of the horses were on the track. The track looks to be in excellent shape and the country around Santa Rosa never looked more beautiful than it does now. The grain and hay crops are rather light this year and late frosts have destroyed about 50 per cent of the grape crop, but there will be a fair crop of other fruits and as prices are up well the season will not be such a bad one as was predicted when the late frosts came.

Notes and News

Entries close June 1st.

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And that is next Thursday.

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To the Breeders' Meeting at Santa Rosa.

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Also the State Fair meeting at Sacramento.

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Keep this important date in mind — better write it down.

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Where you will see it every day from now until Thursday next.

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Fresno is in line also.—Entries to close Monday, June 5th—one week from next Monday.

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Dixon, Woodland, Pleasanton, Hanford, Riverside, and one or two to hear from, but they will all be in the circuit.

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Earl Pool is making a good record at Tijuana. Up to Saturday last he had won 46 races, been second in 30, third in 37, and unplaced 37 times.

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A new track record was hung up at Tijuana last Saturday when Slippery Elm, bay gelding by Bannockburn, won the Harry Morris handicap at a mile in 1:39 1-5.

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Miss Bertha Dillon, by Dillon Axworthy, and Worthy Peter, by Peter the Great, look like the fastest two-year-old trotters in the extensive collection of A. B. Coxe of Paoli, Pa., for this year.

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Entries close next Thursday for both the Breeders and the State Fair races. Make as many entries as you can afford to. The money is sure to the horses that have speed enough to win.

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Texas now leads all other States in the number of mules, having 900,000 of the hybrids within its borders in 1915, while Missouri, former champion in this line, had only 329,000.

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Many of the fair managers in the Middle West affirm that races for the jumpers are as popular an attraction and bring is as much gate money as anything they have on the program.

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There are nine $1000 purses hung up for the harness horses at the California State Fair. If you want some of that "nine thou." enter your horses in the classes to which they are eligible by Thursday next, June 1st.

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Kentucky Jew, saddle stallion by Kentucky Choice, recently sold to P. J. Donnelly of Missouri for $2500, has been placed in the stud at Paris, Mo. at $25 to insure, and will be trained later for the show rings at the fall fairs.

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The Petaluma Driving Club will give a matinee meet at Kenilworth Park Sunday afternoon, June 4. The Driving Club intends to give meets every two weeks during the coming summer. K. V. McDonald is the president of the club, Dr. H. B. Wintringham the secretary and E. O. Voyer the treasurer.

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The committee of the New Zealand Metropolitan Trotting Club considered the starting question at a meeting held recently and it was decided that the starter should have two paid assistants to help in the work of marshaling the fields at the start. Any attempt to beat the clock will be met with a fine of $50, while a second offense will entail disqualification.

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Mr. L. L. Gilpin Jr., manager of the Recreation Stables at Richfield, Utah, writes us under date of May 19th: "I am sorely grieved today because of having lost the mare Maud Jay C. by Nearest 35562, and dam of Nearest McKinney 2:13¼, and El Angelo, and two promising fillies we have here by Bon McKinney. She ruptured a blood vessel in foaling and died very suddenly. We lost the foal also. Had a good veterinarian with her but could not save mare or foal. I think, taking Maud Jay C.'s disposition, size and breeding, as well as her produce into consideration, that she was one of the best mares of the day. One of her Bon McKinney fillies, three years old, which I have just started to work on, is learning as fast as any one of her age I ever saw. I believe she can take a standard mark easily without a bit of professional training." We are very sorry to learn that Mr. Gilpin has lost this good mare. She was foaled in 1899 and was therefore seventeen years old at the time of her death. Maud Jay C. was bred by Mr. J. R. Curnow of San Jose and passed to T. W. Barstow who got her in foal by artificial impregnation to McKinney and the produce was Nearest McKinney, as handsome and vigorous a horse as one would wish to see. At the time Maud Jay C. was no nearer McKinney than her owner's stables, which were located three or four blocks from the San Jose track where McKinney was stabled at the time.

A. L. Blackwell, who was for two years trainer at Hemet Stock Farm, California, has located at Britt, Iowa, where he will train a stable of horses.

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The Sonoma County Driving Club will open the matinee season June 25 with a good program of races at the Santa Rosa track. Mr. L. L. Cannon, president of the organization, says there will be some excellent sport as enough horses are in training to make several races and they can be so classified as to make good contests.

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Chas. W. Winter of Alhambra, Cal., writes that when his three-year-old colt Alhambra Duke by Alhambra Prince paced to a breeder's record of 2:17½ last week at Los Angeles he paced the last quarter in 33 seconds and the last eighth in 16 seconds. This is a fast colt and took his first lesson last January. Without hopples he has paced a quarter in 32 seconds for Will Durfee and an eighth in 15¼ seconds. He is very promising and level headed.

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A report of the races held at Santa Ana May Day, taken from a Los Angeles paper, stated that the 2:30 pace was won by Black Diamond. The fact is that Black Diamond only won one heat, the second. The race was won by M. A. Flood's Dash who won the first heat in 2:36 and the fourth in 2:34. The third heat was declared no heat as no word was given but in this heat Dash finished first in 2:32½. This is the report sent in by M. A. Flood of Santa Ana.

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The proposition of the National Trotting Association to the American in regard to the appointment of a joint committee to draft uniform rules of racing for both organizations is exactly what racing men have asked for years, in fact, demanded it as a most important change for the welfare of the sport, so it is most gratifying to hear from sources which appear to be reliable, that even in the absence of official action, the ruling body of the American Trotting Association will agree and appoint its committee to join that of the National and draft uniform rules to be in force for the racing season of 1917.

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Frank L. Chamberlin, secretary of the Gentlemen's Driving Club of Cleveland, and a prominent horseman of that city, died last week. He was 74 years old and a civil war veteran. Mr. Chamberlin was known in the business world as the founder of the Variety Iron Works, and as an inventor he invented the Chamberlin cartridge machine and the electric hoist and conveying machine. Both of these inventions are still being used extensively by at least two big concerns. Mr. Chamberlin was an enthusiastic gunner ,a star billiard player and a great horse lover. He was secretary of the Ottawa Gun Club and was a crack shot. Timing at the races was one of Mr. Chamberlin's specialties, and for more than thirty-five years he served as chairman of the timers at the Grand Circuit, special match races and inter-city matinees held at Glenville and North Randall tracks.

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Thos. Smith of Vallejo will probably race his black trotter Vallejo King 2:10½ this season unless he should sell him, which he prefers to do as he has so many other irons in the fire that he has hardly time to go to the races. Mr. Smith besides being the leading piano and music dealer of Solano, is also proprietor of a moving picture theatre, and is a busy man. Vallejo King is in good shape to lower his record this year and should be a good horse in the classes to which he is eligible. Mr. Smith still owns Gen. John B. Frisbie, sire of Vallejo King, and would like to dispose of him as there is no business for a standard bred stallion in that section. This horse is a son of McKinney and out of the good brood mare Daisy S., dam also of Vallejo Girl 2:10¼, Tom Smith 2:13¼, Prof. Heald 2:24, Little Mac 2:27½ and Santa Rosa 2:28¾. He is a full brother to Vallejo Girl and Tom Smith.

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A letter from C. A. Harrison states that he reached home in Seattle last week from the Indianapolis sale and that while he did not get as much for his horses as he would like to, he got all the public would pay at that particular time and was well satisfied. He states that the sale was well conducted by Mr. Kenney and his associates, that auctioneer Bain was in great form, and that if he ever has another car of good horses to sell he will surely take them to the Frank P. Kenney sale, whether it is held in Chicago, Cleveland or Indianapolis. Mr. Harrison also wrote that John B. Stetson, who sold his mare Novela 2:15¼ for $510, has engaged himself to Mr. Ed Gould of Midway Stock Farm, Kearney, Nebraska, and will not return to Salem, Oregon, for some time. Ned Neccor, of Pittsburg, made an offer of $610 for Novela immediately after the sale, and a few minutes later Marvin Childs offered the new owner $100 advance on the price, but both offers were refused by Mr. Hoover, the purchaser. Harrison says Novela would have been cheap at $2000 as she is a real trotter, a fast one and sticks to the trot. He expects her to be a good winner this year. While Mr. Harrison only received $270 for Tosora and $200 for Bonique he is well pleased and asserts that if he had a lot more horses he would take them to the big salesring. While high prices were not obtained at Indianapolis the bidding was prompt and there were plenty of buyers, facts which have done much to impress horsemen with the idea that the market is on the rise and will be better from now on.

Ima Jay 2:11¼, the unbeaten half mile track trotter of 1915, will be seen on the Grand Circuit this year. She has been named in the $5000 stake for 2:08 class trotters at Cleveland where she will meet the best in the country eligible to that race. She is by Jay McGregor, dam by Rythmic.

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There is a two-year-old brown filly at North Randall track which Bert Shank is trying to get going, that does a little of everything now when being trained, but that trots so fast when she does that horsemen think she may some day be a champion. She is by Peter the Great and her dam Gaidis was bred at Oakwood Park Stock Farm, California and is by Chas. Derby.

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Ed Geers will try Bonington 2:04¾ again this year and thinks he has the erratic son of Bellini in better shape than last year. Tom Gahagan says Geers and Bonington were the storm center of an incident at Grand Rapids last year which caused the judges to be severely censured and which caused more hot arguments probably than any other incident of the 1915 racing season. It was a stake race, with Peter Scott barred in the auction, the Cox entry, Worthy Prince, being the choice, with Murphy's great trotter eliminated from consideration. A bombshell was dropped into the ranks of the favorite players when Geers and Bonington made every post a winning one in the first heat, nosing Peter out in 2:04¾. All Bonington would have to do in the succeeding heats was to beat the flag in order to land second money, which would cash the field tickets against Worthy Prince, it being conceded that the bulldog Peter Scott would not again be headed. Before reaching the turn in the second heat Bonington broke, and, hemmed in as he was, Geers was unable to get the little horse back to his stride until after the quarter pole was passed. He beat the flag, but protests were lodged with the judges on account of the long run, and after considerable deliberation the horse was declared distanced. Up to that time the judges had been very lax in enforcing the rule in regard to breaking on the circuit, and when Bonington was penalized while others had been "getting by" with the same offense, the ruling of the officials was severely criticised, particularly by the field players. Bonington proved a very bad racing tool for Geers during the remainder of the season, due to his penchant for breaking, and at Montreal he all but ran away with the veteran trainer. His speed is unquestioned; he is a stallion which should take a record of 2:03 or better if he can be taught manners, and Geers is hoping that he has found the key to the fast but erratic stallion. The veteran trainer raced The Abbott, half brother to Bonington, to the world's record for trotters nearly two decades ago, when he was head trainer for the famous Village Farm of C. J. Hamlin.

MATINEE AT THE PARK SUNDAY.

Five races are on the card of the San Francisco-California Driving Club for tomorrow at the stadium track in Golden Gate Park and as the prospects are good for favorable weather the usual big crowd may be expected. Charles F. Silva of Sacramento is sending down a trotter and a pacer to compete with the local horses, and the classification committee has put them in where they will have a chance. The free-for-all pace, in which Bradmont, Emma M., King Pointer, Pointer Belle and Bold Harry are named, will be at mile heats, but all the other races will be at three-quarters. The entries follow:

First race, 2:25 pace—Dan Keating's Victor Pointer, S. Benson's Dible Wilkes, A. Scott's Little Dick, C. F. Silva's Stanley Quinn.

Second race, 2:15 pace—W. J. Kenney's W. J. K., J. M. Kidd's Senator H., S. Conlan's Little Jack.

Third race, free-for-all pace, mile heats—G. J. Giannini's Bradmont, W. Malough's Emma M., H. Campodonico's King Pointer, J. M. Kidd's Pointer Belle, G. J. Giannini's Bold Harry.

Fourth race, free-for-all trot—G. J. Giannini's Ella M. R., A. Combatalade's Birdeye, J. M. Wilkes' Merrylina, J. McNamara's Matawan.

Fifth race, 2:30 trot—M. Ford's Minequa, C. F. Silva's Jack, A. A. Giovanetti's Yoncalla.

CREDIT WHERE CREDIT IS DUE.

Breeder and Sportsman: Perhaps, as the breeder of Lou Child's good mare Greatness (3) 2:10¼ by Peter Wilton, it will not be amiss for me to correct an error in a statement of her breeding. In a very interesting column of news from the Rural Spirit of May 10th, republished in your last issue, Greatness' dam is given as by Mt. Vernon. It is her third dam that is by that horse. Greatness' dam is Abbie McNutward by Guy McKinney, sire of Vernon McKinney 2:01½, etc.; her second dam Lady Irene 2:14½ by Diablo 2:09¼, sire of Sir Albert S. 2:03¾ and Sir John S. 2:04½; and her third dam Geraldine 2:16½, dam of Leata J. 2:03 by Mount Vernon. Thus it will appear that the houses of McKinney and Charles Derby will insist on having something to say when credit for the speed, stamina and racing instinct of this young mare are being considered. I regard a correct statement of her blood lines quite as creditable to her as to her ancestry, and I have no doubt that your northern neighbor and all concerned will welcome the correction. Yours truly,

J. W. PENDLETON.

Oakland, Cal., May 20, 1916.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

RUN OF SALMON AT MONTEREY.

Says the Monterey Cypress: More than 12,000 salmon in two days—this is the mark set over Sunday and Monday by fishermen plying their trade in Monterey Bay. The amount, both in number and in weight, exceeds by far any previous catch recorded here in the history of the industry.

Sunday's was easily the largest single day's catch ever made here. Approximately 85 tons of salmon were handled in the packing houses and cannery. The Monterey Packing Company alone handled 51¾ tons on that day and the total catch yesterday was about 55 tons, or about 9000 fish.

Figures obtained from a reliable source show that 7008 salmon were caught for the Booth cannery Sunday and 5,029 Monday. It is estimated that the total revenue from the two days' catch will approximate $11,000.

So great was the run on Sunday that the force at the Booth cannery was unable to cope with it. Efforts were made to hire additional help but when every source had been tried 30 Chinese were finally impressed into service.

The cannery employes were busy for more than 24 hours handling the Sunday catch. It is believed along the waterfront that the big run will last as long as there is no change in the weather and until there is a change in the moon.

FOXES USED AS FERRETS.

In the quaint Derbyshire hamlet of Ambergate lives John Gaunt, a famous ratcatcher. He is nearly sixty-seven years of age, and is often to be seen over hill and in dale with his two tamed foxes tucked under his arms. He claims to be the only man in that country who has trained foxes to work with ferrets.

Whenever rats are too numerous in any of the buildings belonging to the Midland Railway it is customary for a letter and a railway pass to be sent to old John. He has been killing railway rats for 25 years. When a boy he was taught ratcatching by his father. He soon found the work lucrative and adopted it as his calling.

"When a lad I kept killing a few rats in my spare time," he says in an interview, "and I gave such satisfaction that I got recommended from one farm to another till I got known all over the country.

"Some twenty years ago I found a nest of foxes in a wood and took one home. I trained him to kill rats and broke him in to a ferret and took him up and down the country with me. Since then I've broken in about six young foxes—and fine they are to work with. They can follow a rat where a dog cannot, for, as you may know, a fox is used to getting his living in the dark."

DEER PETS OF GOLF LINKS.

Amid all the talk of the deer pest on Long Island, let it be said that Westbrook is the only metropolis golf club with deer thrown in for nothing as part of the scenery.

Up to a comparatively late date it was not an uncommon thing for a deer to put its head inside the window of the tool shop of Arthur C. Griffiths, the professional. At that the shop is less than five minutes' walk from the Great River station of the Long Island railroad.

Explanation is to be found in the fact that most of the land thereabout Islip is held by large and wealthy estates, on which no shooting was ever permitted.

In consequence, the deer became almost as tame as house pets, and when they were hungry one could almost lay hands on them.

TRAP SHOOT IN PARK AT SPOKANE.

Trapshooting that may be viewed by thousands is the aim of President Charles A. O'Connor of the Spokane Gun Club, who already is making plans to secure one of the big trapshooting tournaments for Spokane next year. Mr. O'Connor plans to install several traps in the stadium and to admit all spectators free.

"I think there is little question but that we can secure either the Pacific Coast Handicap, Northwest Sportsmen's shoot or the Pacific Coast Indians' shoot for Spokane next year," said Mr. O'Connor. "To my knowledge a trapshooting tournament has never been held in the heart of a city in the west and I think it would be a great drawing card if we are able to arrange for it.

"I have talked to Mayor Charles Fleming, who is a trapshooting enthusiast, and he says he will do everything in his power to have permission granted to us to stage the shoot in the city limits. I am sure that the park board will make no objection to our using the stadium, and we will leave it in the same condition after the shoot as it was before.

"The stadium is an ideal place for the event. With the traps facing north we will have the big Milwaukee fill for a background, and it is an excellent one. There would be no danger, as all the shot would land either in the river or hit the bank on the opposite side, and there is no traffic over there. None of the shot would carry to the top of the fill.

"If we are able to stage the event as planned Spokane will attract shooters from all over the west. The great drawback to the usual shoot is that the traps are usually several miles out of the city and are hard to get to, with the result that there are few spectators. Staging the shoot within a few minutes' walk of the center of the city will mean that we will have a capacity crowd practically all day, as trapshooting is a fascinating sport to the shooter and spectator alike.

"The Inland Empire shoot, which was staged last week, was by far the most successful ever held in this territory. We used 35,400 targets, and the most that ever before had been sprung was 26,000.

"I talked to Les Reid, Frank Riehl and Charles Dockendorf, veteran professionals, who looked over the stadium, and all said it was an ideal location."

16,500,000 FISH EGGS COLLECTED.

Approximately 16,500,000 fish eggs will have been collected by the State Fish and Game Commission when the egg-collecting season closes in the near future. The catch to date amounts to 16,015,000 eggs. This is slightly under the record of last year, owing, it is said, to the severe weather conditions which have existed this year.

Classified, the take of eggs is as follows: Steelhead trout, 6,100,000; rainbow trout, 2,500,000; Loch Leven trout, 1,725,000; Eastern brook trout, 2,275,000; German brook trout, 90,000; black spotted trout, 3,325,000.

The applications for fish to be planted in streams of the State will be received by W. H. Shebley, superintendent of fish culture for the Commission, up to and including May 31. Next season the Kearsarge hatchery and the Rae lake egg-taking station will be in full operation, which will materially increase the annual plant of fish in streams.

McCloud River Open.—Twenty miles of the McCloud river in Siskiyou county will be open to trout fishing this season for the mere asking. The McCloud River Lumber Company announces that all any angler needs to do is to come to its office in McCloud and ask for a permit. The permit gives freedom to fish anywhere on the company's holdings along the river, the only restrictions being that camp fires must be extinguished carefully.

The Shasta county supervisors last spring declared the river in that county a public highway for fishing purposes, but that is only a paper proclamation. The river in Shasta county is still closed to anglers throughout most of its course. The best fishing is in Shasta county. The poorer fishing in Siskiyou county is open to all by the grace of the McCloud Company.

DOGS GRIEVE FOR DEAD MASTER.

Oakdale.—Two valuable dogs, winners at many a bench show, are dying of a broken heart. They are the famous greyhound from the kennels of the late Father McNamara of Merced. These animals carried away the blue ribbons in many bench shows in California, although they were never exhibited by the priest himself.

Father McNamara was one of the famous priests of California, noted not only for his goodness, piety and eloquence, but for his love for children and fondness for dogs. His kennels were known the State over. The father would never sell any of his dogs. Just before his death he asked his sister to provide a home for the remaining pair of greyhounds, so that they might, like himself, die in peace.

A. B. Haslacher of Oakdale was given the dogs on his agreement to see that they were allowed their freedom on his big ranch. The greyhounds were brought here from Merced about five weeks ago, shortly after Father McNamara's death. Since then they have been slowly pining away, and now are near death, due to grief over the death of the priest. Haslacher thought that a return to their old surroundings at Merced might restore the dogs to activity, and is arranging to take them back to their old home. The dogs have been given medical attention, but do not appear to respond to any sort of treatment.

VISITOR TALKS ON HAWAIIAN FISHING.

H. Gooding Field, secretary and organizer of the Hawaii Tuna Club and the first man to catch the game fish of those islands on rod and reel, confirmed and added to the glowing reports of the royal sport offered to anglers at the mid-Pacific isles, which were made by James W. Jump and Frederick K. Burnham on their return from there some days ago.

Mr. Field, though an ardent devotee and booster of the sport of angling, and though living in a locality with this grand sport practically at his back door, asserts that until Mr. Jump's advent he (Field) had never been able to arouse much enthusiasm in rod and reel angling.

That they have both been successful and in no small degree is attested by the fact that, following Mr. Jump's lead, sportsmen of the archipelago have put up for competition 17 silver trophy cups, to be awarded for meritorious catches made on rod and reel.

Though the fishing varies to some extent with the seasons as to the species caught, the avidity with which they take the bait is unvarying throughout the year.

"We have three kinds of tuna," Mr. Field stated while on a visit to California, "the bluefiin, yellowfin and longfin, the latter having elongated dorsal and anal fins and being distinctly different from the albicore, which does not inhabit our waters. The bluefins and yellowfins are taken as large as 300 pounds and the longfins up to 60.

"The swordfish (marlin) run up to 837 pounds and are taken on hand-lines solely, as in fact are all of the Hawaiian fish, the sharp, jagged coral reefs being so close together as to prohibit the use of nets, and none having as yet been taken on rod and reel.

"There are nine species of the ulua. These run all the way up to the 200 pounds in weight, are desperate fighters, and resemble a giant pompano in appearance. They are caught inshore and when hooked, run to the jagged coral reefs, often cutting the angler's line.

"The Kahala, or Hawaiian yellowtail, abounds offshore, is a fierce fighter and is caught weighing as high as 150 pounds.

"The ono, which is also caught in the Philippines under the name of Tanguingue, is a speedy fish, striking hard, as does also the dolphin, which is caught up to six feet in length.

"Great schools of Kawahawa run in the lagoons, and are much sought by the natives, who eat them raw. The latter are very bloody, shaped like a tuna, marked like a mackerel and run up to 30 pounds in weight."

Mr. Field will visit Catalina while here, as Mr. Jump's guest, and try his hand at Southern California's fishing.

NEWS OF KENNEL DOINGS.

The Marin County Kennel Club will again hold its annual show on Decoration Day—May 31st—at Mill Valley. This is a one day, open air show and is always a pleasant outing for both exhibitors and dogs. This year Chris Shuttleworth is show secretary and superintendent and Sam Crabtree will be all rounder. It will not be surprising if the club benches—or stakes—more actual dogs here than were present at San Francisco. The judge will certainly prove a drawing card. Next in line comes Oakland and Alameda County Kennel Club in June. The dates definitely decided upon are the 15th to the 17th. This year the club proposes to include the dogs with a general pet-stock show and from a gate receipt point of view the idea is good. The dogs will be benched as before in the Auditorium and entirely separate.

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Ch. Midland Royal has been purchased by the Hy-Born Kennels, Fresno, Cal., and will make a strong addition to the now famous lot of stud Airedales owned in California at the present time.

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Messrs G. E. Clark and Leo Desics, both of Seattle, Wash., have recently bred bitches to Mr. Jack Babb's good young dog, Briarcrest Tilicum, that did so well at the late Seattle show.

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Mr. L. P. Olker, Chico, Cal., has purchased Tintern Mercury from James Young and expects to show him shortly. Mr. Olker has got together a great lot of bitches and should produce something this year that will be heard from.

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The Oakland and Alameda County Kennel Club will hold their annual bench show at the Civic Auditorium, Oakland, Cal., on June 15, 16 and 17. The show will be held in conjunction with the local Pet Stock Association. We wish the club luck and hope that success will crown their efforts to give the fancy a first-class show.

PORTLAND RODSTERS TURN OUT.

The Deschutes was lined with Portland fishermen last week, a directory of the bunch indicating that the medical and dental professions suddenly transported themselves from the metropolis to the waterside. The Deschutes is clearing rapidly, and in about two weeks the best fishing of the season will be in order, for then the millions of salmon flies will have ceased to drop conveniently into the stream for the benefit of the hungry trout.

Most of the fish caught averaged from 8 to 12 inches for those who used flies, while those who used spinners all day caught some around 16 and 18 inches.

Among those who were seen along the river were the following doctors: C. E. Kistner, A. J. Brock, Davis, San Slocum, E. Dewitt Connell, Woods, Dubois, Erskine Wood, J. Martin Watson, James Honeyman and Durkee.

California-Nevada State Shoots To Open

CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS START AT SAN JOSE TOMORROW

San Jose, Cal.—The great California and Nevada State Shoot will be held on the grounds of the San Jose Blue Rock Club on May 28, 29, 30 and 31. May 28 will be practice day in the morning and in the afternoon the O. N. Ford medal championship of California-Nevada, at 50 singles, will be held. This medal is now held by H. Lorenson, of Newman, Cal. At 3 p. m. the O. N. Ford medal championship of California-Nevada at 25 pair will be shot. This medal is at present held by O. N. Ford of San Jose.

On May 29th there will be ten events at 20 targets with $30 in cash added to each event, or $3 for the day.

On May 30th there will be eight events at 25 targets, with $35 added to each event. On this day eight beautiful trophies will be shot for.

On May 31st, in the morning, five events at 20 targets with $30 added to each event; at 1 p. m. the California-Nevada Interstate Championship will be shot; 100 targets, 16 yards, $100 added and 7 Interstate trophies to the seven high guns and $50 to the winner, providing he also goes to the G. A. H.

In the hundred the ladies will shoot for the championship of the Pacific Coast, and Mr. Ford will award a handsome trophy to the winner. All events divided four moneys on the Rose system. There will be a jitney trap running at all times.

The San Jose Blue Rock Club grounds are located just two miles from the center of San Jose, on 35th street car service, every thirty minutes from 6 to 6, direct to the grounds for 5 cents. Four automatic traps will be used. Targets are thrown north and northeast, the sun at all times being at the shooters' backs and shining on target. The flight of the targets is over a field of grass and clover. A sky background, the great Lick Observatory in full view, makes a most ideal place to shoot.

George H. Anderson is president of the San Jose Blue Rock Club and vice-president of the California-Nevada State Association. George, as he is better known, has been in the trap game over thirty years. He was at one time one of the best live bird shots on the Pacific Coast. In 1915 he won the Double Championship of Santa Clara county and he won the first of the new amateur medals on the Pacific Coast on 415 out of 500.

C. R. Arques, vice-president of the San Jose club, fifteen years ago used to shoot a good clip, but quit for the past ten years and has just started again and will bear watching on the firing line. He won the second amateur medal on 434 out of 500.

O. N. Ford, formerly of Iowa, now secretary and manager of the San Jose Blue Rock Club, came to California in 1912 and started this club. At that time there was not a blue rock or a trap load in San Jose, nor had there been for several years. Mr. Ford has worked hard and has one of the best grounds and best equipped clubs on the Coast, and he will do all in his power to make the 1916 California-Nevada State Shoot the biggest ever held in California if not on the Pacific Coast.

Skykomish Club.—The Skykomish Gun Club held a very interesting shoot on May 14th, the participants and scores being—

Williams 92, Henry 87, Kirkland 89, Fournier 83, Farr 73, Bradburn 36, Dean 13x25, Rohde 17x25.

Williams shot the high score in the 100-target program, with Kirkland running second, with 89.

Oregon State Shoot.—P. H. O'Brien, of Portland, will represent Oregon at the Grand American Handicap at St. Louis this year, due to his winning the Oregon state trapshooting championship at Albany, on May 16. O'Brien broke 98 out of 100 birds. In addition to winning the title, O'Brien captured the Honeyman diamond, and had the high amateur record for the shoot, with a record of 384 out of 400 targets. O'Brien also ranked second in the 150-bird shoot Monday, and was third in the same event the following day.

H. E. Poston of San Francisco and L. H. Reid of Seattle, both professionals, tied for the high score of the shoot, with 387 out of 400 targets. James P. Bull was third with 378 and P. J. Holohan was next in line with 375.

Abner Blair of Portland was second high among the amateurs with a score of 382 and Frank Troeh, of Vancouver, Wash., was third with 378. Frank Templeton of Portland was fourth with 374.

L. H. Reid of Seattle made the high run of the shoot, going 141 shots without dropping a bird. Frank Troeh made high run among the amateurs, with a string of 131.

Abner Blair of Portland was second to O'Brien in the state championship event, with 97. Mark Siddall of Salem was third, with 96, and Charles Leith of Woodburn was fourth, with 94. J. W. Drinker of Halsey and Frank Templeton and J. W. Seavey, of Portland, tied for fifth place with 92. In the shootoff for the tie, Drinker and Templeton each broke 20 and Seavey took seventh place by breaking 18. Drinker win in the next shootoff by breaking 20 straight again, while Templeton broke 19.

In the 150-bird event, the scores follow:—

Professional—First, L. H. Reid ,Seattle, 148; second, H. E. Poston, San Francisco, -42; third, P. J. Holohan, Portland, and C. J. Schilling, Portland, tied 140; fourth, James W. Bull, Portland, and J. E. Reid, Portland, tied 138; fifth, E. B. Morris, Portland, 136.

Amateurs—Forst, A. Blair, Portland, 144; second, F. E. Doedele, Albany, and Frank Templeton, Portland, tied, 142; fourth, W. W. McCornack, Eugene, and Mark Siddall, Salem, tied, 141; fifth, Frank Van Atta, Portland, 139.

In a four-team shoot Portland won with 95; Salem and Woodburn tied for second, 89; Albany fourth, 87.

Only four teams contested. The score of the winning team was: P. H. O'Brien 24, James W. Seavey 24, A. Blair 24, Frank Templeton 23.

In the 150-target handicap match the summary was:

Amateurs—First, Frank Troeh Vancouver, Wash., 146; second, P. H. O'Brien, Portland, 144; tie for third between A. Blair, Portland ,and Elmer Nickerson Albany, 141; fifth, Frank Templeton, Portland, 139.

Professional—First, H. E. Poston, San Francisco, 147; tie for second between P. J. Holohan and James Bull, both of Portland, 144; fourth, L. H. Reid, Seattle, 143; fifth, C. J. Schilling, Portland, 138.

In the Oregon trapshooting contests held here Mrs. Ada Schilling of Portland, one of the two women who participated, was among the honor winners, tieing for seventh place with a score of 136 out of a possible 150. Miss Gladys Reid, the other woman in the tournament, broke 104.

It was an ideal day for the tournament and a big crowd of spectators all day watched the shooting at the grounds of the Albany Gun Club at Hackleman's Grove, just southeast of Albany.

In the 50-target match for the Honeyman diemond trophy, P. H. O'Brien, Frank Templeton and James W. Seavey, all of Portland, tied for first place with 46 birds each. Al Seguin of Portland and E. R. Seeley of Medford tied for second with 45. In shooting off the tie for the trophy O'Brien won by breaking 25 straight, Templeton scoring 21 and Seavey 20.

San Rafael Club.—The newly-organized San Rafael Elks' Club was busy at the traps on Sunday as part of the San Rafael carnival program. A number of San Francisco professionals were over to encourage the beginners in the game. No official score was kept but the following breaks were registered on 50 targets:—

Dr. R. G. Dufficy 33, Dr. Barr 39, R. Johnson 25 Ed Butler 39, J. M. Foge 16, *W. R. Ellis 37, J. B. Bauer 32, C. J. Nongues 13, *O. N. Jones 37, *W. S. Stadtfeld 34, H. Van Leuver (20-gauge) 30, *M. O. Feudner 43, *R. C. Reed 38, *J. W. F. Moore 16, *A. C. Cook 45, P. Goblet 31.

At 25 targets: H. G. Ridgeway 9, T. H. Smith 13, I. Arata 11, R. Mecchi 10.



SQUAD TO BE AT THE SAN JOSE TRAPS TOMORROW

A. G. Flickinger of Vallejo is in the foreground and right down the line are Dick Reed, Harry Ogilvie of Lindsay, O. N. Ford and W. J. McKagney. They are all fine shots and need watching. In the background looking on are shown O. N. Jones in white shirt, Len Hawxhurst and J. W. Considine.

COMING REGISTERED TOURNAMENTS.

California.

San Jose, May 28, 29, 30—California-Nevada Association Tournament, San Jose Blue Rock Club, O. N. Ford, Secretary.

Los Angeles, July 3, 4—Vernon Gun Club.

Eureka, July 4—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President.

Oregon.

Portland, June 5, 6, 7—Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest Tournament, under the auspices of the Portland Gun Club, Frank Templeton, Secretary.

Portland, Sept. 12, 13, 14—Pacific Coast Handicap.

Washington.

Seattle, July 4—"Old Policy," Green Lake Gun Club, W. C. Smith, Secretary

Tacoma, July 18, 19, 20, 21—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary.

Seattle Association.—The weather undoubtedly had a lot to do with the scores at Harbor Island on May 14th, as it was ideal for shooting and the shooters were bunched together in a lot of ninety and ninety-five percent performances. The high score in the regular 50-target program was 48 and was divided between three shooters, Matt Grossman, Fred Call and John Ruppe. Hugh Fleming ranked second high with a score of forty-seven. In the one hundred bird program, C. E. McKelvey stood high with a score of ninety-six. He shot straight through sixty-six of them without a miss. Hugh Fleming shot next score to this with ninety-five to his credit.

The race for the McKelvey class trophies is getting rather close and but for a sprint in the B class the cup for same would likely hove gone to Searle. A new contender in the A class, Fred Call, took the high position with Matt Grossman in this class and these two shooters will have to shoot off the tie or count no score. Class B offered the exciting competition of the day. R. S. Searle had stood high man for the last two times and the shooters in that class were after his scalp. John Ruppe stood high in this class with his forty-eight score. J. H. Wilman was the only contestant in the C class. "Bill" Schilpin stood high in class D, this making his second high standing.

In a special squad shooting event from the 20-yard line, Fred Landwehr and C. E. McKelvey tied with scores of sixty even out of seventy-five targets.

R. H. Baldwin, an old-time trapshooter, was on the firing line for the first time this season.

Complete arrangements have been made for the State Tournament which is to be held on the Harbor Island grounds. Communications from outside points indicate a record breaking crowd attending this event.

Scores, May 14, at 50 targets—

	15	15	20	Ttl
Matt Grossman	15	14	19	48
Fred Call	15	14	19	48
John Ruppe	14	14	20	48
Hugh Fleming	14	15	18	47
R. Kinzer	13	14	19	46
C. E. McKelvey	12	15	19	46
R. S. Searle	14	13	18	45
L. S. Barnes	14	13	17	44
Deskin Reid	11	15	16	42
F. Landwehr	13	12	17	42
A. Drake	12	14	15	41
Dr. Winningham	11	14	16	41
J. H. Hopkins	10	12	19	41
Wm. Schilpin	11	13	17	41
W. B. Taft	12	12	16	40
B. J. Perkinson	11	12	16	39
J. Wilman	11	12	16	39
J. W. Geltz	10	12	16	38
R. H. Baldwin	10	11	14	35
M. James	10	10	14	34
A. E. Hall	5	5	7	17

At 100 targets—

	10	15	25	50	Ttl
C. E. McKelvey	10	15	25	46	96
H. Fleming	10	14	24	47	95
Matt Grossman	9	15	22	48	94
John Ruppe	10	14	22	48	94
R. Kinzer	9	14	22	46	91
L. S. Barnes	10	14	21	44	89
Fred Landwehr	10	14	23	42	89
W. B. Taft	8	14	23	40	85
J. H. Hopkins	9	12	22	41	84
Deskin Reid	8	12	21	42	83
R. H. Baldwin	9	12	17	35	73

C. W. Bandy did not shoot in the regular program.

E. A. FRY.

Sportsmen's Row

Are you going to attend the California-Nevada tournament at San Jose? Practice day is scheduled for Sunday and there will be events on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. O. N. Ford expects to receive an entry of 150 shooters.

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John W. Considine did himself proud on Saturday. He has been out of the trapshooting game for seventeen years until lately but managed to land 182. He got 96 out of his last 100.

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Miss Meyers broke her gun on the first target. She tried to secure another annihilator of the blue rocks but it did not work and she was forced to withdraw from the competition.

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Dr. McGettigan takes a deal of pleasure in the sport alluring. He is proving a very promising shot, too, and makes his squad step some to beat him out.

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R. J. Walsh from San Diego shot below his form. He ran into a couple of bad spots that pulled rown his score.

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Frederick K. Burnham of Martinez gets a lot of fun out of a tournament. He not only makes the smoke fly but creates many a riot when the boys are talking around the clubhouse.

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Secretary Clarence A. Haight ran out the events with the same thoroughness that has characterized his work all season. He picked the right man for the right job when he selected L. A. Lodge for squad hustler. Wise judges commented favorably on the selection.

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H. Lorenson of Newman reports that the club of his city is making preparations to stage a shoot in the near future. In Lorenson Newman has a shot who can hold up his own with the best on the Coast.

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Barney Worthen did some great shooting. In only one frame did he fall below 19.

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Permission to care for two fawns has been asked by Peter Ramatici of Petaluma, the application being made to the State Fish and Game Commission. Deputy Fish and Game Commissioner Henry Lencioni went to the Ramatici ranch and investigated the request. The mother deer, it was found, had given birth to the fawns and then had been chased away by dogs, leaving her little ones behind her. It is probable that the request will be granted.

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"It is my belief, and I venture to assert it," declared the lecturer, raising his voice, "that there isn't a man in this audience who has ever done anything to prevent the destruction of our vast forests." A rather timid-looking man quietly arose in the rear of the hall and said: "I—er—I've shot woodpeckers."

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C. M. Beer was high with 143x150 in the Rockford, Ill., Gun Club's shoot on May 9th.

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E. E. Watson, Ed Apperson and E. F. Kitelsman tied with 143x150 in the shoot of the Elwood, Ind., club on May 9th. C. A. Young led the professionals with 149x150.

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At the Topeka, Kans., club's event on May 11th Soldan won with 137x150. Gross topped the professionals, 139x150.

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Excellent sport is being enjoyed by the light tackle "rodsters" on Big Lagoon, Humboldt county. The big steelhead are very much in evidence. Large catches are being made daily although a little early, as the best of the season here is usually in June, yet those who are so lucky as to be on the Lagoon are taking steelhead weighing from nine to twelve pounds, with a half-pounder now and again for good measure.

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Magpie day among the hunters of the Lewiston valley, Idaho, was celebrated last week, and seven automobiles carried 40 city sportsmen to various sections of the valley, where they were joined by 20 more shooters of the vicinity and spent the day in shooting magpies. No attempt was made to keep a tally of the result of the day's shooting, but large numbers of birds were killed.

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Wallace, Idaho, Club.—Thirteen members of the local gun club laced the Nine Mile traps May 14th in the regular weekly shoot. Gilmore finished with high score in the 50-bird event with 43, closely followed by McConkey and Turner with 42 each.

Gilmore and Martin tied for the club goat which was forfeited to Gilmore on Martin's failure to show up for the miss and out contest. The remaining scores in the 50-bird event: Scott 39, Heitfeld 26, St. Jean 36, D. Johnson 29, Leib 34, Venable 40, C. M. Johnson 41, Martin 37, Ebbley 39, Howarth 31.

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Although it rained both days of the Chappell, Neb., club's shoot on May 12th and 13th, R. J. Starkey had the creditable high score of 363 out of 400. Rush Rzee, a pro., got 385 out of 400.

Salt Lake Club.—May 14th proved the final day in the trap shoot for the handicap trophy, which was offered for the shooter getting his name on it three times. The winner was Mitchell. The day was windy and disagreeable and the targets difficult. The scores:

	Bke.	Hdcp.	Targ.
Cummings	46	Pro.	46
Bishop	40	4	44
Mitchell	44	6	50
Bray	38	8	46
Irvine	38	..	38
Holohan	47	Pro.	47
Fryrear	22	..	22
Bain	39	3	42
Klein	41	2	43
Johnston	38	7	45
Tingey	40	1	41
Fisher	34	8	42

Tacoma Club.—The Tacoma Gun Club held is semi-monthly shoot at Manito May 14. Griffin won the Mellinger medal after a shoot-off with Baker and Young. Dague won the Majestic cafe trophy. Dague, A. Riehl and J. Cooper all tied for high average on the Everding diamond pin. Griffin, Bales, A. Riehl, Young and Baker tied for high average on the Dupont trophy. Dague and Griffin tied for high average on the Hercules trophy. Young won the White Flyer fob and Dague won the Challenge cup after a shoot-off with Griffin, Smith and Young. Dague and A. Riehl each won a club silver spoon for breaking 25 straight.

Following were the scores made for the Majestic Cafe trophy at 100 birds:—

	Bke.	Hdcp.	Targ.
Dague	92	6	98
Griqin	90	4	94
Eisenbies	91	None	91
J. Cooper	91	2	93
Bales	89	3	92
A. Riehl	87	3	90
Young	85	6	91
E. W. Cooper	83	6	89
Baker	80	11	91
Mellinger	77	15	92
Smith	77	10	87

Following scores made on Mellinger medal out of 50 birds:—

	Bke.	Hdcp.	Targ.
Young	46	4	50
Griffin	45	5	50
Baker	43	7	50
Bales	45	3	48
Smith	42	6	48
Eisenbies	47	1	48
Mellinger	40	7	47
J. Cooper	44	2	46
Dague	43	3	46
E. W. Cooper	43	3	46
A. Riehl	45	None	45
Hartley	26	16	42

Vernon Club.—Bob Bole, who handles a pump gun well, tied with A. Brawner in the George T. Cline handicap clay bird shoot for the diamond medal put up at the Vernon Gun Club Sunday, at 50 birds, distance handicaps. Their scores were 49x50. In the shoot-off Bole broke 23x25 and Brawner 24x25, giving Brawner his first leg on the prize.

A clean score was made in the Wm. H. Hoegee handicap by C. P. Manderville. He broke 50 straight. The 20-gauge competition resulted in a tie between C. W. Fish and Billy Wilshire, each with 21x25.

Following are the complete results:

	Hdcp.	Cline trophy 50	Hoegee trophy 50	20-ga. trophy 25
Smith	16	39	40	..
Reid	16	45	43	..
S. A. Bruner	20	47	47	..
Manderville	16	42	50	19
A. W. Bruner	16	45	46	..
Fisk	16	46	45	21
Brawner	16	49	..	..
Bohring	16	..	..	..
Knapp	16	39	..	..
Packard	20	45	49	..
Packard	20	45	49	..
Hedderly	16	44	43	20
C. E. Groat	16	48	44	18
Mrs. Groat	18	43	47	..
Dierdoff	17	40	48	..
Bole	16	49	45	..
Wilshire	16	45	..	21
Cooper	16	..	..	..

Los Angeles Club.—O. Evans, firing from the 17-yard mark in the Diamond trophy handicap, staged Sunday at the Los Angeles Gun Club, was the winner by breaking forty-seven birds out of fifty.

Owen Council, the shooting shark from the Dyas store, and Louis Mellus tied for second best score in the diamond pin shoot, each with a 46x50 score.

The scores follow:—

Shooter.	Hdcp.	Score
Pfirrmann	21	41x50
Mitchell	21	44x50
C. Vories	20	43x50
Nichols	20	44x50
Mullen	20	45x50
H. Cline	18	42x50
Rossbach	18	42x50
Council	18	46x50
F. H. Nichols	19	42x50
J. W. Meek	18	42x50
O. Evans	17	47x50
H. Hoyt	17	43x50
A. L. Rowe	16	44x50
Mrs. Pfirrmann	16	43x50
L. R. Mellus	17	46x50
Spafford	16	42x50
E. L. Beler	16	35x50
Palmer	16	25x50

Event 1—Season Trophies—50 targets:

H. Pfirrmann 50, O. Council 43, Mrs. H. Pfirrmann 43, A. W. DuBray 45, R. H. Lawrence 44, Chas. Vories 43, H. Cline 45, Wm. Mullen 46, V. A. Rossbach 45, Ed Mitchell 48, H. Hoyt 42, D. G. Kinney 44, C. L. Saunders 34, O. Evans 46, R. T. Rouse 37, C. F. Nichols 45, F. H. Nichols 45, A. L. Rowe 43, J. W. Meek 44, Fred H. Teeple 43, L. R. Mellus 43, H. E. Morris 33, R. B. Hull 43, G. N. Martin 37, J. W. Benton 37, C. M. Wood 48, Seth Hart 42, W. Kennedy 37, S. B. Friend 47, F. D. Putzer 46, H. S. Sargent 42, Miss A. Wheeler 43, C. E. Groat 48, J. E. Reid 40, E. H. Stotler 26, W. P. Butte 31, W. D. Melville 23, M. A. Millard 40, Mrs. J. E. Reid 9x25, Mrs. H. E. Sargent 1x25, B. G. Adams 22x25, S. M. Steel 19x25.

OREGON PROTECTS FUR-BEARING MAMMALS.

Oregon in 1913 established a trapper's license law which requires every trapper who traps anywhere except on his own property, to procure a license costing one dollar. The fur-bearing mammals protected are the otter, mink, fisher, marten and musk-rat. The open season is from November 1 to February 28. The flesh of game birds or mammals is prohibited as bait for traps. As a return to the trapper for his license fee the Fish and Game Commission is carrying on investigations which are of help to the trapper and is also accumulating data as to the number of fur-bearing mammals taken each year. The latter information is obtained by requiring each trapper to make a full report as to the fur-bearing mammals taken each year. The latter information is obtained by requiring each trapper to make a full report as to the fur-bearing mammals caught and killed during the open season. Despite the fact that certain raiders of the poultry yard are given protection as fur-bearers, the proviso that nothing shall prevent any person from protecting his own premises from the depredations of fur-bearing animals appears to have secured popularity for this law. The State Biologist of Oregon recently stated that there is no opposition to this law by trappers, because they themselves advocated its adoption.

Each trapper now feels he has an equal chance at the fur-bearers, for summer trapping by the amateur has been abolished.

A law such as this should be considered for this State. California is wasting a valuable resource by a faulty administration of her fur-bearing mammals. Theblack bear, mink, river otter, fisher, and red fox are among the fur-bearers which should be protected during the summer months when the fur is of no value; and a policy which will allow of a checking up of this resource will help save it as a source of recreation and profit for the State.—Fish and Game Commission.

CALIFORNIA'S PREHISTORIC GAME.

[By Harold C. Bryant.]

A visit to the Museum of History, Science and Art in Los Angeles impresses us with the marvelous forms of animal life in prehistoric times. Imagine yourself in a region in which the elephant, mastodon and ground sloth tracked the wilds. Think of the exciting sport of hunting the saber-toothed tiger, cave bear, wolf and other carnivores once so abundant in this State.

Authentic evidence of the occurrence of these forms is furnished by recent finds in the oil fields, which have proven a great storehouse for prehistoric fauna of this State. Complete skeletons of all of the above mammals have been dug from the asphaltum of Rancho la Brea, near Los Angeles. Bones are piled thirty or more feet high and there seems to be no end to new discoveries. The teeth of the mammals have been wonderfully preserved and in many instances not a bone is found broken.

We are led to conjecture why these many forms of life are now extinct; they were evidently not exterminated at the hands of man, and yet they are gone from the earth as completely as are those species which owe their extinction to the invention of firearms. The ebb and flow of life on the earth form an enigma which all our years of research and study have but slightly cleared up. This fact should drive us to work the harder to decipher some of the laws which govern animal life.

Nor should a knowledge that many forms of life have become extinct from natural causes lead us to think that living species are doomed to extinction and that the toll taken by man can make but little difference; for whereas, under natural conditions, the death of a species may have taken thousands of years, man is able to exterminate them entirely in fifty. Hence, we should remember that man is drawing upon the supply of wild life faster than the reservoir can be filled. The lifetime of a species is governed by a higher power than our own, and if we accelerate by artificial means the forces leading toward extinction, future generations will suffer for our thoughtlessness.

Golden Gate Club.—Forty shooters, representing San Diego, Fresno, San Jose, Newman, Modesto and other points, turned out on Saturday for the registered tournament of the Golden Gate Club at Alameda. The weather was ideal and the competition was keen.

Barney Worthen was returned high amateur with a score of 192 out of the 200 targets shot at. O. N. Ford of San Jose was second with 190 and H. Lorenson was third with 189. Dick Reed annexed the professional honors with 193 and Fred Willett and Len Hawxhurst were close up with 191 and 190 respectively. Bill Ellis was in a happy mood to get 184. The scores were as follows:—

Events	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20—Ttl
Edward Topham	15	16	17	14	19	18	14	14	10	11—148
H. Lorenson	19	19	19	19	20	17	19	20	19	18—189
C. H. Nash	18	17	17	17	18	17	19	19	19	19—180
C. Huber	18	17	16	16	18	15	16	20	18	15—169
W. L. Koch	15	18	10	13	15	7	..	..	..	.. — 78
O. N. Ford	20	19	19	19	18	19	19	20	18	19—190
W. J. McKagney	14	18	18	18	19	18	18	19	19	17—178
A. Flickinger	19	19	20	18	18	18	18	19	17	20—186
*R. C. Reed	20	20	20	17	20	20	19	18	20	19—193
A. Ogilvie	18	19	18	18	18	17	19	18	20	18—183
*L. S. Hawxhurst	17	20	18	20	20	20	18	19	18	20—190
A. G. Wilkes	18	19	17	16	20	19	20	17	19	19—184
J. W. Considine	18	19	17	14	18	19	20	18	19	20—182
H. R. Phinney	16	20	19	18	20	15	19	16	18	18—179
T. Wilkes	17	20	18	16	16	20	17	18	18	16—176
F. K. Burnham	16	19	17	17	18	19	18	18	18	16—176
*F. Willett	20	17	19	18	20	19	19	20	19	20—191
W. Eilert	20	19	18	18	18	19	17	16	18	16—179
H. Garrisson	18	17	19	18	18	20	17	18	17	17—179
T. D. Riley	16	16	16	17	18	16	18	19	19	17—172
T. Prior	17	20	19	19	20	17	19	18	18	18—185
N. A. Howard	17	20	18	17	20	18	18	20	17	17—182
B. Worthen	19	19	20	18	19	19	19	20	20	19—192
*Al Cook	20	19	18	17	18	17	17	17	19	19—181
*C. A. Haight	18	17	16	18	16	16	16	16	16	15—164
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*Professionals.

On Sunday the Golden Gate Club held its monthly shoot and sixty-five shots faced the traps. W. E. Cooley and E. Holle distinguished themselves by busting fifty straight and tied for first place. Andy Flickinger and H. Brickell were close behind with 48 out of 50. The scores for the day ran high. The results were as follows:—

R. McGill 47, T. W. Parsons 37, Col. Dorsey 41, H. Stelling 46, A. M. Gearhart 26, Dr. Topham 43, Geo. Thomas 41, W. G. Becktell 46, H. C. Peet 36, W. E. Cooley 50, J. H. Willett 32, T. D. Riley 47, *C. A. Haight 44, Frank Webster 41, D. Best 41, B. Worthen 46, N. A. Howard 42, A. G. Flickinger 48, W. J. Terry 42, Toney Prior 47, *Fred Willett 48, H. Garrison 46, H. Swales 43, Miss Meyers 37, H. H. Rickelson 42, *L. S. Hawxhurst 45, A. G. Wilkes 47, J. W. Considine 43, Tom Wilkes 44, D. D. Jones 40, C. A. Merrill 42, Eugene Foster 39, A. Korn 32, H. Fruscitt 29, E. Holle 50, T. O. Handman 40, Dr. McGettigan 40, J. Brickell 44, Dr. Eaton 39, O. O. Orr 42, Blum 42, A. Stoneberger 14, W. H. Price 42, E. T. Prior 42, W. H. L. Hynes 35, P. Ashcroft 36, Fred Friedner 38, E. Forester 34, A. H. Beetham 36, A. Anderson 22, O. D. Hamlin 36, George Feldman 21, Mrs. A. G. Wilkes 36, J. Nelson 29, J. G. Heath 45, George Myers 26, H. C. Golcher 39, Dr. Pruett 29, H. P. Phinney 46, J. A. Pizzotti 36, L. A. Steinfeldt 27, W. A. Landry 47, H. Brickell 48, J. H. Holmes 39, F. Stahl 43.

*Professionals.

Green Lake Club.—While the weather on May 14th had a tendency to drive many trapshooters to the banks of their favorite fishing streams, quite a crowd found their way out to the traps of the Green Lake Gun Club for the regular weekly shoot.

Dr. King celebrated his return to the shooting game by breaking forty-eight out of his fifty, and incidentally turned in the highest score of the day. W. H. Carsten, shooting in his usual good form, tied with "Dusty" Rhodes, professional, for second place, with forty-seven. E. G. Johnson, who has quite a reputation as a rifle and revolver shot, took his first fling at "the sport alluring" and succeeded in breaking thirty-one.

Don R. Baker challenged all comers to a contest at twenty doubles, and made good by breaking twenty, being tied by Carsten.

Eleven shooters took part in the special event Saturday afternoon, C. E. McKelvey heading the list with forty-five out of fifty. Judge John B. Gordon, who is getting to be quite a "bug," broke forty-nine out of his fifty Saturday. The scores, at 50 targets:

Dr. King 48, W. H. Carsten 47, *D. Rhodes 47, Hi Follrich 45, C. C. Ward 45, George Edling 45, C. E. McKelvey 45, Don R. Baker 44, George B. Baker 43, Dr. M. A. Winningham 42, W. C. Smith 42, Fred Pries 41, Judge J. B. Gordon 41, L. S. Barnes 41, Dr. R. V. Mills 40, Dr. J. F. Hill 40, Jack Landon 40, M. A. Rosenfield 39, E. K. Van Vleck 38, Howard Cosgrove 37, Dr. A. B. Kidd 37, J. W. Geltz 37, S. A. Martin 35, T. B. Beck 35, George O. Colwell 35, J. C. Wright 34, F. K. Kaynor 34, Harry Muhl 32, George D. Horst 31, E. G. Johnson 31, H. N. Carver 30, R. W. Brehm 28, Dr. S. W. Case 27, C. W. Bandy 21, R. B. Newton 19, P. N. Beal 12, C. Wright 10, W. H. Giezentanner 8. (*Professional.)

Scores in the doubles: Don R. Baker 20, W. H. Carsten 20, George B. Baker 18, D. Rhodes 18, Dr. Winningham 12, and Harry Muhl, 12. F. K. Kaynor and R. W. Brehm shot 20-gauge guns.

Trade Notes.—One of the South's prominent shooters, Mr. F. P. Fitzgerald, Clarksdale, Miss., won the Mississippi State Championship at Greenville on May 5th, with a score of 99x100, using Nitro Club shells. This shoot is the most important trap event of the season in Mississippi, and it attracts the attention of the biggest men in the Southern sporting circles. Otto Wineman, of Greenville, was second with 98x100, and Henry Fitzgerald, of Clarksdale, third, scoring 97x100, both using Arrow shells. A feature of this shoot was the three-man team race for the Lake to Gulf Championship. The winning team, all three members of which shot Remington U. M. C. shells, was composed of Messrs. H. N. Bellenger, J. B. Goodbon and Geo. Schmid.

C. C. Watts won a two-day registered shoot held recently over the traps of the Medford (Okla.) Gun Club. Shooting Nitro Club shells he scored 280x300.

W. H. Stump, and the Rev. P. B. Jenkins, both shooting a Remington gun and Nitro Clubs, won first and second places respectively with scores of 95x100 and 93x100, at a recent shoot held by the Lake Park Gun Club, of Milwaukee, Wis.

Mr. H. C. Hirschy tied for high professional average at Eagle Grove, Iowa, May 2-3, 275x300, using Peters shells.

High professional average at Fresno, Cal., April 29, was won by Mr. L. S. Hawxhurst, using Peters shells, 133x150.

High general average at South Bend, Ind., May 6, was won by Mr. C. A. Young, 148x150, using Peters shells. Mr. J. Graham tied for second, 146, also with the "P" brand ammunition. Mr. Young had an unfinished run of 113.

Regulations for Migratory Birds

U. S. GOVERNMENT SETS FORTH PROTECTIVE MEASURES

Pursuant to the provision of the act of March 4, 1913, authorizing and directing the Department of Agriculture to adopt suitable regulations prescribing and fixing closed seasons for migratory birds (37 Stat., 847), having due regard to zones of temperature, breeding habits, and times and lines of migratory flight, the Department of Agriculture has prepared and hereby makes public, for examination and consideration before final adoption, the following regulations:

Regulation 1.—Definitions.

For the purposes of those regulations the following shall be considered migratory game birds:

(a) Anatidae or waterfowl, including brant, wild ducks, geese, and swans.

(b) Guridae or cranes, including little brown, sandhill, and whooping cranes.

(c) Rallidae or rails, including coots, gallimules, and sora and other rails.

(d) Limicolae or shore birds, including avocets, curlew, dowitchers, godwits, knots, oyster catchers, phalaropes, plover, sandpipers, snipe, stilts, surf birds, turnstones, willet, woodcock, and yellowlegs.

(e) Columbidae or pigeons, including doves and wild pigeons.

For the purposes of these regulations the following shall be considered migratory insectivorous birds:

(f) Bobolinks, catbirds, chickadees, cuckoos, flickers, flycatchers, grosbeaks, humming birds, kinglets, martins, meadowlarks, nighthawks or bull bats, nuthatches, orioles, robins, shrikes, swallows, swifts, tanagers, titmice, thrushes, vireos, warblers, waxwings, whipporwills, woodpeckers, and wrens, and all other perching birds which feed entirely or chiefly on insects.

Regulation 2.—Closed Season at Night.

A daily closed season on all migratory game and insectivorous birds shall extend from sunset to sunrise.

Regulation 3.—Closed Season on Insectivorous Birds.

A closed season on migratory insectivorous birds shall continue throughout each year, except that the closed season on reedbirds or ricebirds in New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, the District of Columbia, Virginia, North Carolina, and South Carolina shall commence November 1 and end August 31, next following, both dates inclusive: Provided, That nothing in this or any other of these regulations shall be construed to prevent the issue of permits for collecting birds for scientific purposes in accordance with the laws and regulations in force in the respective States and Territories and the District of Columbia.

Regulation 4.—Closed Seasons on Certain Game Birds.

A closed season shall continue until September 1, 1918, on the following migratory game birds: Band-tailed pigeons, little brown, sandhill, and whooping cranes, wood ducks, swans, curlew, willet, and all shore birds except the black-breasted and golden plover, Wilson or jacksnipe, woodcock, and the greater and lesser yellowlegs.

A closed season shall also continue until September 1, 1918, on rails in California and Vermont and on woodcock in Illinois and Missouri.

Regulation 5.—Zones.

The following zones for the protection of migratory game and insectivorous birds are hereby established.

ZONE No. 1, the breeding zone comprising the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Kentucky, West Virginia, Michigan, Wisconsin, Minnesota, Iowa, North Dakota, South Dakota, Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, Colorado, Wyoming, Montana, Idaho, Utah, Nevada, Oregon, and Washington—31 states.

ZONE No. 2, the wintering zone comprising the States of Delaware, Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Alabama, Mississippi, Tennessee, Arkansas, Louisiana, Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Arizona, and California—17 States, and the District of Columbia.

Regulation 6.—Construction.

For the purposes of regulations 7 and 8 each period of time therein prescribed as a closed season shall be construed to include the first and last day thereof.

Regulation 7.—Closed Seasons in Zone No. 1.

Waterfowl.—The closed season on waterfowl, including coots and gallinules, shall be between December 21 and September 6 next following, except as follows:

Exceptions: In Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, New York (except Long Island), Ohio, Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky, and West Virginia the closed season shall be between January 1 and September 15;

In Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Long Island, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Washington, Oregon, Utah, and Nevada the closed season shall be between January 16 and September 30; and

In Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas, and Missouri the closed season shall be between March 11 and September 15 and between November 16 and February 9.

Rails.—The closed season on sora and other rails, excluding coots and gallinules, shall be between December 1 and August 31 next following, except as follows:

Exceptions: In Vermont the closed season shall continue until the open season in 1918.

Shore Birds.—The closed season on black-breasted and golden plover and greater and lesser yellowlegs shall be between December 1 and August 15 next following, except as follows:

Exceptions: In Utah the closed season shall continue until the open season in 1918.

Jacksnipe.—The closed season on jacksnipe or Wilson snipe shall be between December 16 and September 15 next following.

Woodcock.—The closed season on woodcock shall be between December 1 and September 30 next following, except as follows:

Exceptions: In Illinois and Missouri the closed season shall continue until the open season in 1918.

Regulation 8.—Closed Seasons in Zone 2.

Waterfowl.—The closed season on waterfowl, including coots and gallinules, shall be between February 1 and October 14 next following, except as follows:

Exceptions: In Alabama, Arkansas, District of Columbia, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Virginia the closed season shall be between February 1 and October 31 next following.

Rails.—The closed season on sora and other rails, excluding coots and gallinules, shall be between December 1 and August 31 next following, except as follows:

Exceptions: In Louisiana the closed season shall be between February 1 and October 31; and

In California the closed season shall continue until the open season in 1918.

Shorebirds.—The closed season on black-breasted and golden plover and greater and lesser yellowlegs shall be between December 1 and August 15 next following.

Jacksnipe.—The closed season on jacksnipe or Wilson snipe shall be between February 1 and October 31 next following.

Woodcock.—The closed season on woodcock shall be between January 1 and October 31 next following.

Regulation 9.—Hearings.

Persons recommending changes in the regulations or desiring to submit evidence in person or by attorneys as to the necessity for such changes should make application to the Secretary of Agriculture. Hearings will be arranged and due notice thereof given by publication or otherwise as may be deemed appropriate. Persons recommending changes should be prepared to show the necessity for such action and to submit evidence other than that based on reasons of personal convenience or a desire to kill game during a longer open season.



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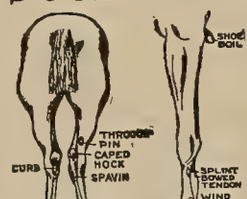
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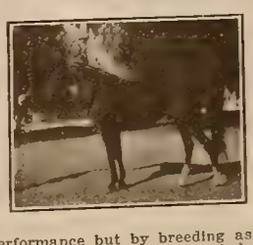
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2:10 Pace or 2:05 Trot, 3 in 5	$500
2:15 Pace	$700
2:12 Trot	$500
2:25 Pace	$500
2:25 Trot—3 in 5	$700

Closing August 1.

2:20 Pace	$500
2:15 Trot	$500
2:20 Trot	$300
2:15 Pace for B. C. Horses	$200
2:24 trot for B. C. Horses	$200
2:30 Pace	$300
2:18 Pace	$500

SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON FAIR
Aug. 28 — Sept. 2
GEO. R. WALKER, Secretary, Chehalis

Closing June 1.

2:25 Trot	$500
2:25 Pace	$500
2:12 Trot	$500
2:10 Pace	$500

Closing Aug. 14.

2:20 Pace	$500.00
2:20 Trot	$500.00
2:15 Trot	$500.00
2:15 Pace	$500.00

SPOKANE INTERSTATE FAIR
Spokane—Sept. 4—9
Address—The Secretary, Spokane

Closing June 1

2:12 Trot	$750.00
2:25 Trot	$750.00
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2:25 Pace	$750.00

Closing Aug. 14

2:15 Trot	$750.00
2:15 Pace	$750.00
2:20 Trot	$750.00
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All Three-heat plan.

GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY FAIR
Sept. 6-10
J. B. KIRKALDIE, Secretary
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Closing June 1.

2:20 Trot	$250.00
2:30 Trot	250.00
2:15 Trot	250.00

Closing Aug. 23

2:25 Pace, 2:15 Pace, 2:18 Pace, F. F. A. Trot, and F. F. A. Pace, each for $250.00.
All on 3-Heat Plan

WALLA WALLA COUNTY FAIR
September 11-13
Address:
The Secretary, Walla Walla

Closing June 1.

2:30 Trot	$500.00
2:25 Pace—3 in 5	$500.00
2:20 Trot—3 in 5	$600.00
2:15 Pace	$600.00
2:12 Trot—3 in 5	$700.00
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2:12 Trot—3 in 5	$700.00
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2:15 Trot (Sept. 4)	$600.00
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2:20 Pace (Sept. 4)	$500.00
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Sept. 25-30
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Closing June 1.

2:12 Trot—3 in 5	$2000.00
2:08 Pace—3 in 5	2000.00
2:25 Trot	600.00
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Closing Sept. 11

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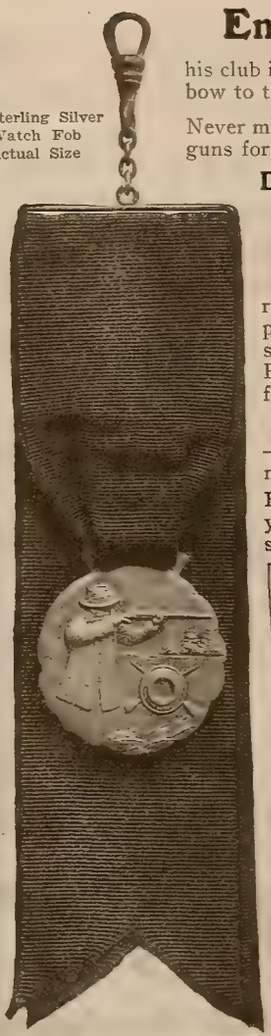
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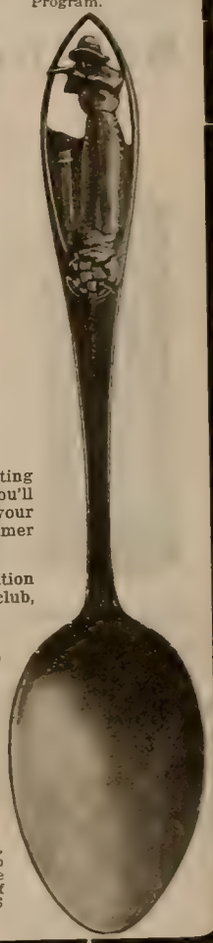
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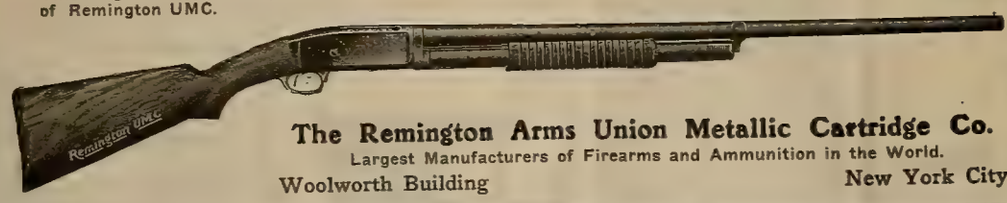
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For 3-year-olds and upward. By subscription of $10 each, $50 additional to start, $1,000, of which $200 to second and $100 to third. Weights to be announced two days before the race. Winners of other than a selling race after the weights are announced to carry 5 pounds extra. To be run Tuesday, July 4th. ONE MILE.

THE GOLDEN STAKES
Purse $1,000

For 2-year-olds. By subscription of $10 each, $50 additional to start, $1,000, of which $200 to second and $100 to third. Winners of a sweepstakes of $1,000 value to carry 3 lbs.; of two of any value, 5 lbs. extra. Maidens allowed 5 lbs. To be run Saturday, July 8th. FOUR AND ONE-HALF FURLONGS.

OVERLAND HANDICAP
Purse, $500

For 3-year-olds and upward. By subscription of $10 each, $25 additional to start, $500, of which $100 to second and $50 to third. Weights to be announced Saturday, July 8th. Winners of other than a selling race after the weights are announced to carry 5 pounds extra. To be run Tuesday, July 11th. SIX FURLONGS.

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Purse, $2,500

For 3-year-olds, foals of 1913. By subscription of $10 each, $100 additional to start, $2,500, of which $500 to second and $250 to third. Colts to carry 122 pounds, gelding 119 pounds, fillies 117 pounds. Winners of $1,200 since May 1 to carry 2 pounds for each $100 to $500. Starters, ners of three races in 1916 of other than selling purses, allowed 5 pounds; maidens, 10 pounds. To be run Saturday, July 15th. ONE AND ONE-EIGHTH MILES.

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Purse $1,000

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AN ACTUAL BOOM IS ON in harness racing in the Eastern States and the Middle West. Never have there been larger lists of entries at this season than the more progressive associations are receiving and there is every indication that the season will be featured by large fields and the lowering of records. One association reports 23 entries in a 2:08 trot, which seems marvelous when one considers that it is only a comparatively short time since the first 2:08 trotter appeared. Turn to page six of this issue and read what the New York Herald says of the wealthy sportsmen who have been buying two-year-olds to start in the $2,000 colt purses that are being offered by many associations this year. Harness racing is as popular as it ever was whenever there are popular and progressive men in charge of it. Mr. H. K. Devereux, President of the Grand Circuit, in a letter to the Cleveland Plaindealer last week had the following to say in regard to the outlook: "The trotting season of 1916 promises more sensational speed and a greater number of dazzling contests than any previous racing season has produced. This condition does not arise merely from an increase in stake and purse offerings, but comes about because of the phenomenal number of closely matched horses possessing extreme speed which have been named in the various stakes clear through the circuit. Never before in the long history of harness racing have so many great horses been in sight. The early closing events all along the line have attracted excellent lists of entries, thus insuring fields large enough to make the contests attractive to the public. There has been something of an increase in the ordinary purses. Heretofore at most tracks these have been averaging $1000 each, but this year many of them will be worth $1200 and $1500. The total money offered by the circuit members will amount to over $400,000. In addition, five futurity events, worth a total of more than $40,000, will be decided at Grand Circuit meetings. These figures show very clearly why it is the ambition of every horseman to breed or buy a trotter or pacer that is good enough to race on the Grand Circuit. Harness racing was never so popular as it is at the present time. This is especially true in the Grand Circuit cities where the management has endeavored to keep the sport strictly clean and therefore beyond criticism. The old time 'job' has practically disappeared, and the man who formerly profited through that sort of sharp practice has disappeared with it. I look for the season of 1916 to be the best in the history of the circuit, and I am sure that the attendance at most of our meetings will prove conclusively that the harness horse has gained in popularity with the American public."

SENATOR KEY PITTMAN of Nevada is sponsor for a bill recently introduced in the United States Senate calling for an appropriation of $200,000 for the purchase and maintenance of stallions to be used in the production of horses for agricultural and military purposes. There is little likelihood that the bill will pass and there are no sound reasons that we have heard why it should. The American farmer will raise all the horses necessary for the biggest army the United States will ever require if the government will only pay prices for such horses as will give the breeder a reasonable profit. No person wants to engage in the breeding of army horses at the prices now paid by contractors who buy for the government. The claim that there is a scarcity of horses suitable for the uses of the United States army is entirely disproved by the fact that the European governments have taken several hundred thousand American horses during the past two years for use in their armies and there are still more horses being offered than they require. Let the United States army officials set a fair price and a standard for the horses they want and by giving these publicity all the horses necessary will be produced. Cut out the graft and the breeder will furnish the supply. The idea that $200,000 spent for stallions will in a few years provide the army with all the horses it demands of a suitable type is about as visionary a proposition as was ever made, and it probably did not originate in the brain of a practical horse breeder.

JUNE TWENTIETH, which falls on Tuesday, is the day set for closing entries to the stakes of the Summer Race Meeting at Reno, Nevada. The Opening Handicap at six furlongs has a purse of $1000, the Independence Handicap at one mile, $1000, the Golden Stakes at four and a half furlongs, $1000, the Overland Handicap at six furlongs, $500, the Nevada Derby, one mile and an eighth, $2,500, the Juvenile Stake, five furlongs, $1000, the Riverside Handicap, six furlongs, $500, and the Business Men's Handicap, one mile, $2,000. These are rich stakes for a 19 days' meeting and as there will be many generous purses for races to close overnight there should be inducement enough to horsemen to make the stake entry list a record breaker for Reno. The particulars and conditions of the stakes will be found in the advertising columns.

YOU HAVE NEARLY A MONTH to consider whether you will race your horses on the Inter-Mountain Circuit, the eight programs of which are advertised in the Breeder and Sportsman this week. There are purses of $400 and $500 for nearly every class of harness horses and liberal purses for the runners. The circuit opens August 15th at Montpelier, Idaho, and closes October 7th at Salt Lake City. There are four meetings in Idaho, three in Oregon and one in Utah, so arranged as to make the shipments as short as possible. Better send to Joseph Waddell, Secretary of this circuit, whose address is Baker City, Oregon, for a stake book, giving the complete program and conditions for the entire circuit. The sport on the Inter-mountain Circuit is always good and clean and all the races are according to rule. No more delightful outing can be had than a trip through this circuit of fairs during the summer and fall. Entries for the harness events will close July 1st.

FRESNO ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY NEXT, June 5th, and there are six purses of $600 each for trotters and pacers. For the trotters the 2:30, 2:15 and 2:09 classes have been provided, and for the pacers the 2:20, 2:14 and 2:10 classes. The Fresno Fair will be held Sept. 26th to 30th inclusive. All these harness races will be limited to three heats, and $200 will be divided into the usual four moneys for each heat. Monday next is the day for closing and the wise horseman will see that his entries are made and mailed in time.

BRADMONT DEFEATS BOLD HARRY.

The feature of last Sunday's matinee of the San Francisco-California Driving Club at Golden Gate Park was the free-for-all pace which had five starters. It was the only race at mile heats during the afternoon and the wise ones had settled in their own minds that Bold Harry could win, but his stable companion, Bradmont, showed the way to the wire in both heats, the first in 2:15 and the second in the good time, considering the day and the track, of 2:12. Richie Roberts drove the winner and handled the son of Alto Leyburn very well. There was a strong wind blowing and the day was anything but an agreeable one.

W. J. K. 2:12¼, the Dexter Prince gelding owned and driven by W. J. Kenney, won the 2:15 pace in good style after dropping the first heat to Little Jack. W. J. K. and Bradmont are both to be seen on the California circuit this year, their owners having decided they are good enough to meet the horses in their classes. The results of Sunday's races were as follows:

First race—2:25 pace:

Victor Pointer ..... (D. Keating)	2	1	1
Little Dick ..... (A. Scott)	1	2	2
Black Mack ..... (L. Gielow)	3	3	3

Time—1:44½, 1:46, 1:47½.

Second Race—2:15 pace:

W. J. K. ..... (W. J. Kenney)	3	1	1
Little Jack ..... (G. Conlan)	1	3	3
Senator H. ..... (J. M. Kidd)	2	2	2

Time—1:43, 1:40¾, 1:39½.

Third race—Free-for-all pace:

Bradmont ..... (G. J. Giannini)	1	1	
Bold Harry ..... (G. J. Giannini)	2	2	
King Pointer ..... (H. Campodonico)	3	3	
Emma M. ..... (William Malough)	4	4	
Pointer Belle ..... (J. M. Kidd)	5	5	

Time—2:15, 2:12.

Fourth race—2:30 trot:

Yoncalla ..... (A. Giavonnetti)	1	1	
Minequa ..... (M. Ford)	2	2	
Bird Eye ..... (A. Combatalade)	3	3	

Time—2:23, 2:22½.

The program for the club's matinee tomorrow is as follows:

First race, 2:20 pace—S. Benson's Dibble Wilkes, Dan Healey's Silver Logan, James J. Ryan's Rosey O.

Second race, 2:15 pace—J. M. Kidd's Senator H., George Conlan's Little Jack, Dan Keating's Victor Pointer.

Third race, free-for-all pace—W. J. Kenney's W. J. K., J. M. Kidd's Pointer Belle, William Malough's Emma M., H. Campodonico's King Pointer.

Fourth race, 2:30 trot—A. Combatalade's Birdeye, A. Giovannetti's Yoncalla, M. Ford's Minequa.

MATINEE AT SANTA ANA MAY 30.

Some good sport was had at the Santa Ana track by the Orange County Driving Club on Tuesday, May 30th, when a program of four races was provided for the amusement of quite a large crowd. The weather was fine and the sport thoroughly enjoyed. Following is a summary of the events, which were nearly all closely contested:

Mixed Race—2:25 class:

Horses.	Owners.		
Dick W.	(W. R. Murphy)	1	1
Tommy Murphy	(F. W. Faucett)	2	3
Frank C.	(E. Barber)	3	2

Time—2:24, 2:23.

Special Event:

Buster L.	(W. J. Lindsey)	1	1
Atlantic Fleet	(Fred Cole)	2	2

Time—2:27, 2:21.

Mixed Race—2:30 class:

Laddie	(Fred Schultz)	2	1	1
California Chief	(W. M. English)	1	3	3
Maud Elmin	(E. Barber)	3	2	2
Babe	(S. Tenelck)	4	4	4

Time—2:32, 2:33, 2:34.

Running—One Mile Dash:

Lanky Long	(E. F. Hall)	1
Light Comedy	(E. Dolley)	2
Hardy	(Dr. Stevens)	3

Time—1:51.

THE HORSEMAN FUTURITY.

Detroit, Mich., May 26, 1916.

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Pleasanton Trainers Practice Preparedness

Pleasanton Race Track, never so perfectly appointed nor as beautiful as now with its clean stalls, bluegrass lawns and neat buildings, probably has fewer horses training over it than at any time since it became a public training track. There are about sixty horses being worked there, and from a hurried look over them last Saturday the impression was gained that the proportion of classy ones has not lessened since the days when application had to be made weeks in advance to secure stall room for the horses that were to be made ready for the races. And the writer cannot resist the temptation to say right here that if a circuit of ten or twelve weeks could be advertised early each year in California ,even though one-half the tracks on that circuit could not offer greater inducements than four or five hundred dollar purses, not only Pleasanton, but every other training track of note in this State would be as busy as it ever was in the palmy days to which the "old timers" so often refer. It is the straggling manner in which meetings are announced in California that is responsible, as much as anything else, for the few horses in training.

Charles DeRyder, the able superintendent of Mr. R. J. MacKenzie's model plant, is out of the racing game as a public trainer, and where in former years would have from twenty to thirty horses in training now has but four or five. He still has Miss Bond, the three-year-old daughter of The Bondsman, and Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon that took a two-year-old breeder's record of 2:17½ at Los Angeles last October. She was second to Natal Day on a muddy track at the P.-P. I. E. November meeting in 2:32 and 2:29½, but outside the money in two other starts. A mile in 2:23½, half in 1:08 and a quarter in 32 seconds is her best work this year, and she will be seen in the three-year-old stakes in which she is entered. Fresno Bond by The Bondsman—Fresno Girl, owned by Mr. Frank Malcolm of Fresno, is showing better than he did last year when he was a two-year-old and gives promise of being a fair three-year-old. He has been a mile in 2:21 handily and shown quarters that are encouraging. He is well staked.

A few days since Mr. Thos. Pollock of Flagstaff, Arizona, visited Pleasanton in company with his brother who is a resident of Albuquerque, and after looking around purchased from DeRyder three equines—the three-year-old filly Miss Axworthy Dillon, the yearling by The Northern Man, and the suckling by Vernon McKinney 2:01½ that Gracie Pointer 2:07¾ is the proud mother of. DeRyder thinks Miss Axworthy Dillon has as much promise for a fast trotter as any one he has handled for some time. By agreement with Mr. E. A. Gammon who owns the mare Cleo Dillon (3) 2:13¾, DeRyder shipped the mare east and bred her to Axworthy and they "went halves" in the produce. Mr. Thos .Pollock liked her breeding and the way she trotted a mile in 2:20 and was satisfied with the price asked. His brother then looked at The Northern Man yearling that trotted a quarter in 38 seconds and did not think the price on him too high and the colt changed hands. Then the brothers saw Gracie Pointer's foal and the third sale was made. The price for the three was $2750, and we leave the reader to fix the value of each for himself. The Pollock brothers have recently invested heavily in San Francisco, having concluded negotiations last week by which they are to become the owners of The Western Fuel Company, the leading fuel company in San Francisco. They are enthusiastic horsemen and have bred and raced light harness horses for years.

We saw Millard Sanders brushing a trotting mare through the stretch in company with S. Christenson who was up behind his old matinee trotter Brutus 2:15¼, by Strathway, that took his record in a winning race at the spring meeting of the P.-P. I. E. last year. The mare moved so much like a real trotter that the announcement of her name and breeding—Peter's Queen by Peter the Great out of Sonoma Queen, full sister to Sonoma Girl 2:04¼, added to the interest already aroused by her action, and when it was also added that she was owned by Mr. C. A. Harrison of Seattle the writer concluded that the triple alliance of owner, trainer and mare deserved to result in a world's champion trotter, and there is probably not a horseman on the Pacific Coast who will not hope and pull for such a consummation. One of the caretakers who was on the Grand Circuit last year remarked as she went by: "There is a counterpart of Margaret Druien 2:03 in looks and action," and Sanders said: "Don't she move like Peter Scott?" Peter's Queen is five years old and her best work this spring has been a mile in 2:17, a half in 1:06 and a quarter in 30¾ seconds. She is one of the improving kind, sound and good headed and there is every reason to believe that she will trot a mile better than 2:05 this year if asked to.

But there was a chestnut yearling filly by Peter the Great out of the famous brood mare Carrietta, dam of five, by Directman, that Mr. Christenson had just brought in from a run in the paddock, and as she was led into her stall Sanders said: "There is a filly that I would rather own than all the trotters in California. She is not only a great individual and a natural trotter, but she has a larger earning capacity or chance than any horse on the coast, as she is eligible to about $90,000 worth of stakes, being in all the leading ones east and west. She is only just broken as it were, but she has trotted a quarter in 40½ seconds and did it like a trotter." She is the nicest mannered thing one ever saw ,quiet and gentle but when in harness has that determined way of going that seems to be a certain inheritance of the Peter the Greats.

Mr. Christenson's great colt Natal Day 2:13½ as a two-year-old, winner of the Pleasanton Futurity, the California State Fair Futurity, and second to Virginia Humbug in the Pacific Breeders' Futurity, has grown some since last year and the son of Wilbur Lou (3) 2:10¼ is now as perfect made a three-year-old as there is in California. He is being moved along carefully in the "Sanders manner," and has trotted a mile in 2:23½ with a quarter in 33 seconds. He will be ready when the three-year-old trotting stakes are called this summer.

Tim Sexton's Future Tramp 2:09¼ is "going good," and has been a mile in 2:14½. He is not a large horse but he is certainly a trotter from Trotville, and Mr. Sexton has never yet regretted that he refused $5000 for this son of Trampfast last fall.

Among the trotters in the Christenson-Sanders string is the bay gelding Howard's Comet, owned by Mr. P. J. Howard of Alameda . This horse did not make a very good showing last year but under the instruction he is now receiving is developing into a really promising trotter. A mile in 2:15¾ with a half in 1:05 has been the best asked of him to date and he responded as if he could do much better.

Bodaker 2:13, the roan stallion by Antrim, is training sound again, has been a mile in 2:20 this year and may be raced in his class.

The colt King Albert, named for the King of Belgium as he was foaled on that regent's birthday, is taking his early lessons in speed as an apt pupil. He is by The Bondsman and his dam is that good mare Reina Directum 2:12½ by Directum that was the queen of the matinees a few years ago.

The two-year-old filly Boness by The Bondsman, dam Salinas Princess by Eugeneer, is owned by Mr. I. J. Cornett of Salinas. This filly has just begun work, but the way she is dropping the seconds from each previously timed quarter is astonishing and Sanders thinks she will do to start in her stake engagements. A quarter in 41 seconds was her fastest up to last Saturday but the manner in which it was done and the reserve force and speed she seems to have give great promise of a good showing this year.

Some few months ago Mr. Christenson purchased for a small price a brown gelding by Palite, dam a mare by Director that was 23 years old when this brown fellow was foaled. He is a five-year-old and was a "broncho" when purchased, having run out all his life to that time. Chris now uses him as a road horse and he can trot a 2:40 gait without a boot and with only road shoes on. One of the cowboys in the recent wild west show at Pleasanton borrowed this gelding and rode him in the parade, and he was a show horse. He is as tough as iron and could get a standard record without any trouble.

Sutherland & Chadbourne are in business at the old stand and when this combination of father and son-in-law quits training trotters and pacers the end will have come. The senior member of the firm does not do much sulky work now, in fact he says he has retired in favor of the younger generation, but if he couldn't go to the track every day he would be under a doctor's care before long. No horseman in California has a longer or more honorable career than "Jim" Sutherland, who is well and favorably known from Seattle to San Diego, and who never started a horse that was not driven for first money. Fred Chadbourn now does all the driving and training and has been one of the most successful of the younger generation of California's trainers. He is at present at work on eight trotters and pacers, several of which will be seen on the circuit this year.

A two-year-old trotter by Prince Ansel, dam by Egyptian Prince, has been a quarter in 37½ seconds and trotted it nicely. She is staked.

There is a three-year-old bay filly by Nearest McKinney 2:13¼ out of the same dam as the two-year-old above mentioned. She is also the property of Mr. W. C. Brown of Vancouver, and is just out of pasture but trotted a mile in 2:20 as a two-year-old in her work last year.

Baron C. McGregor, a three-year-old by The Bondsman, dam Kate Kopje by Cresceus 2:02¼, has recently trotted a mile in 2:22. He is a little shy on "brush," but Fred thinks he will make it as he is a determined fellow.

Bon Cres 2:10¼ by Bon Voyage, dam the same dam as Baron McGregor, is like him owned by Mr. J. J. Campbell of Pasadena. Bon Cres is now five years old and has been a mile this year in 2:16, last half in 1:06. He is in fine form and will doubtless lower his four-year-old mark. He started three times last year, winning twice.

El Paso, the two-year-old pacer by True Kinney out of the dam of San Felipe 2:09¼, Natal Day (2) 2:13¼ and three others, is a classy looking youngster and is very highly thought of. He has been a mile in 2:20 well within himself, as the trainers say. He is owned by Mr. Roy Mayes of Dixon.

Verna McKinney 2:13 as a two-year-old, who is by Vernon McKinney 2:01¼ and out of Ramona, the dam of Del Ray 2:03¼, is working satisfactorily, has been a mile in 2:16 this spring and occasional quarters in 31 seconds. She is the property of James W. Marshall of Dixon who has a habit of raising 2:05 pacers that he can't get over, somehow.

W. S. Harkey of Gridley, whose pacing mare Deviletta 2:10½ by Diablo 2:09¼ is bound to occupy a very prominent place in the Great Brood Mare table if her produce are trained, has a two-year-old trotter from her sired by The Proof 2:10¾ that Chadbourne thinks a good deal of. This colt has trotted a mile in 2:32 and will soon be able to go much faster.

A. B. C. 2:10¼, the black pacer by Young Monterey out of Rosalie by California Dudley, has shown a mile in 2:14 this year—which is all that has been asked of him. He is owned by W. B. Alford of Ferndale.

Al Schwartz has a small but select stable this year, two of them record pacers, the other an unmarked trotter that has all the signs of a high class one. She was bred by the late Thos. Ronan and is by one of the most popular sires in America today, San Francisco 2:07¾. Her dam is by Antrim and there is not a nicer made young mare in training anywhere. She trotted a mile on Friday of last week in 2:20 handily, the last half in 1:05 and the last quarter in 30½ seconds, and she finished like a race horse. She wears little harness and has good manners. She looks like "the goods."

The two pacers Hal J. 2:09¼ and Little Bernice 2:06¼ are the record horses of Schwartz's string. Both are doing nicely.

Al McDonald has but one horse in training, the colt Surety, three years, by The Bondsman, dam by Washington McKinney. A mile in 2:16½, with the last quarter in 31¼ seconds on Friday of last week, marks the best work of this youngster.

W. E. Detels' two-year-old filly by Graham Bellini out of Daphne McKinney, of whom mention was made in last week's issue, is improving right along and a quarter in 38 seconds seemed well within her ability last week. She trots like a campaigner and seems to have the determination to try all the time. Mr. Detels' mare Petrina worked a nice mile at the trot in 2:18 last week and is also on the improve.

Henry Smith was so busy with his horses that we did not get time to interview him during our short stay at the track, but he has some good going trotters and pacers that look as if they would do to take to the races. He has Mr. S. S. Bailey's horses, including Bon Guy (3) 2:11¾, the whirlwind O. U. C. 2:07¼ and both are working nicely. Mr. Smith is also doing the speed driving and training of Mr. A. W. Longley's horses, of which there is quite a string under the care of Hiram Rapelje. One of the best bred young horses in California is Pedlar Direct 58398 that has shown a mile in 2:15. This fellow is now six years old. He is by Baron Direct, the sire of Braden Direct 2:01¾, his dam is Miss Episode by Pedlar, son of Electioneer, his second is Episode, the dam of Robert Bingen 2:11¼, etc. by Ambassador, and his third dam that wonderful broodmare Santos, the dam of Peter the Great, J. Malcolm Forbes, etc. There are great bloodlines in this young stallion and he is a good individual. Several youngsters are being given slow work, and some are just being broken. There is a colt by Prince Ansel out of Ella J., the dam of Natal Day (3) 2:13¼, etc.; a two-year-old by Vernon McKinney, dam Gertie A. by Diablo; a two-year-old by True Kinney, dam by Hawthorne, and several others. Further mention of these must be left to another time.

Jacob Brolliar has three horses at the track but has none being made ready for the races. He has a bay stallion, seven years old, by Star Pointer out of a mare by Diawood, son of Diablo, that should make a sire of army horses. He weighs about 1250, is upheaded, has good big bone and a lot of substance as well as quality. He has paced a mile in 2:16¾ but Mr. Brolliar intends taking him to some of the mountain counties for a season at the stud. A two-year-old gelding by Graham Bellini out of the same mare also has size and style and stamps his dam as a good broodmare. Mr. Brolliar has a chestnut mare by Red McK. out of a mare by Diablo that was in pasture when we visited the track but the trainers have a lot of praise for her and she looks like a high-class trotter. She has trotted a mile in 2:17, the last quarter in 33 seconds.

Among other trainers at Pleasanton that we did not find time to visit this trip are Mr. Johnson of Fruitvale, Leo Lynch of Oakland and several others, whose horses we will try to look over and report on during some time in the near future.

British inspectors have been in Chicago during the past week examining horses for the British army. They are looking for two classes of horses—the field and the heavy artillery. Specifications for the field artillery call for horses weighing 1,250 lbs. or more and for the heavy artillery for horses weighing 1,500 lbs. and over. Horses must go on the scales and show that they weigh the required poundage. Good hard colors are required in all acceptances—no light colors of any sorts. They pay $185 for the field artillery class and $200 for the heavy sorts. Ages must not be less than six and five years, and not more than nine.

Thoroughbred Matters

John Madden has sent a couple of colts to M. Jaonson at Tijuana where they will be raced. One is by Ogden ,the other by Star Shoot.

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The sheriffs of Alameda and San Francisco counties occupied President Coffroth's box at the Tijuana track one day last week and liked the sport so well that they remained over for several days.

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R. J. MacKenzie, of San Francisco, scored his first win of the Louisville, Kentucky, meeting on Tuesday, May 23rd, with Leo Skolny, five-year-old son of Star Shoot. Leo won the Azra Handicap at six furlongs worth $670 to the winner. He was off poorly, was taken around his field and finished on the outside only a nose in front of Prince Hermis. The time, 1:13 1-5, was good as the track was slow. Six horses contested and all were pretty high class sprinters.

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The Wingfield horses arrived at Tijuana from Kentucky on Wednesday of this week in charge of Early Wright. In the lot are Ferry B., Celesta, Scarlet Oaks, Whims, Polistena, Washoe Belle, Mary Jay, Star Shooter, Edna F., Plush, Golden Dragon, Fancy Feather, Square Set, Bank, Poppe and Treowen. Bank was recently purchased by Wingfield for $6000 and is one of the fastest horses bred in the west in recent years.

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Mal Doyle is the third man to be ordered away from the Tijuana track. The following edict was issued by Presiding Judge L. J. Rose and his associates: "Mal Doyle, owner of Finnigan, Waxemall and Valodolid, has been ordered away from the course with his horses. Doyle, while in a critical mood, visited the judges and made a number of insinuations and veiled charges which he refused to substantiate. In consequence, he was told to betake himself elsewhere."

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Walter Jennings recently purchased five richly bred two-year-olds from John Madden for the already powerful Macomber stable. Jennings, who is very busy now with twenty-one thoroughbreds in active training, will remain at Belmont Park until about the first of July and will then go to Saratoga. He may try for a few of the Empire City stakes and possibly start a horse or two at Acqueduct and Belmont, but it is Saratoga that he has in view, particularly for the regular starting of his horses.

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Iron Mask, one of the most famous sprinters of all times on the American turf, died at Lexington recently of double pneumonia. He was eight years old and was by Disguise—Royal Rose. He was bred at Castleton and was owned by J. Livingstone. Iron Mask had the distinction of having raced successfully in England, United States, Canada, Mexico and Cuba. His winnings on this side of the water total $22,007. In 1913 he set the world's record for six furlongs of 1:10 4-5 and reduced that mark to 1:09 3-5 at Juarez. He also set a new American record for five and one-half furlongs of 1:03 3-5.

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Uncle Sam may yet give the daily newspaper touts a knock-out blow: A bill to prohibit transmission between the states or into the United States from a foreign country of racetrack or other gambling bets, odds, results, or advertising for use in connection with pool selling, book-making or other gambling, has been favorably reported by the house interstate commerce committee. The bill was introduced by Representative Sims of Tennessee, with the avowed purpose of breaking up poolrooms operating on the results of the big running and trotting races, in violation of the laws of many states. It would impose penalties for violation of two years imprisonment or $1000 fine or both in the first instance and make prison sentences mandatory for all subsequent offenses.

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Messrs. Peter and Walter Mitchell, brothers, living in Australia, recently decided to dissolve partnership and decided to offer at auction their thoroughbred stallions, and the sale was held March 9th. Among the horses was Trafalgar, a chestnut horse, foaled in 1905, by the highly successful Wallace (son of Carbine) out of Grand Canary, who was bred by Messrs. Mitchell, and proved himself a wonderful stayer, winning, among other races, the Sydney Cup of 1909, while the following season he was second to Comedy King, conceding the winner 19 lbs., in the Melbourne Cup. Trafalgar took part in fifty-six races in all, of which he won twenty-three, and was second in ten and third in six others, his total winnings amounting to £20,603. Some keen bidding was witnessed, both the brothers being anxious to secure possession of Trafalgar, and after being started at 300 guineas the horse was eventually knocked down to Mr. Walter Mitchell for 7500 guineas, which is the highest price ever given at auction for a thoroughbred in Australia.

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The Tijuana race meeting is said to be injuring the San Diego Exposition greatly, and efforts are making to suppress it.

METROPOLITAN HANDICAP WON BY THE FINN.

A little over 23,000 was the attendance shown by the count of tickets on Thursday of last week when the Westchester Racing Association opened its spring meeting at Belmont Park, New York, and a more notable gathering has not been seen on a race course in America in years. More than 5,000 automobiles were lined up within the park and in the crowds which promenaded here and there were folks who haven't been seen at the track for several seasons.

The feature of the day's racing, The Metropolitan Handicap, value to the winner $3350, had twelve starters. The Belmont pair, Stromboli and Friar Rock, were the favorites at 13 to 5. Spur and High Noon, the Butler pair, were at 5 to 1. The Finn was quoted at 4 to 1. These were the opening odds. The starters were August Belmont's Stromboli and Friar Rock, Jas. Butler's Spur and High Noon, H. C. Hallenback's The Finn, Greentree's Stable Gainer, J. O. Talbott's Slumber II, E. Herz's Short Grass, W. R. Coe's Hauberk, Elkwood Park Stable's Celandria, F. P. Keene's Indian Chant, M. Daly's Kingly.

Little time was lost at the barrier, but as Starter Cassidy gave the word Butwell was very wide-awake on Stromboli, and his blinkers were first to show out of the crowd. High Noon was right with him and Hauberk third. The others were all closely bunched, with The Finn sixth of the lot and Gainer last.

As was to be expected, High Noon at once went out to make pace, but Stromboli had been away so well that Butwell permitted the son of Fair Play to go with him. Schuttinger had taken The Finn into third place, on the outside, and Spur was showing the way to Indian Chant. In that first scramble for positions there was some inevitable crowding, and some of the horses did not have fair racing room, but they were closely bunched, with the exception of a distant trailer.

High Noon had raced the first quarter in :23 2-5, and Stromboli was right at his tail. This took the pair of them two lengths out in front of The Finn and Spur was well lapped on the Hallenbeck colt. Schuttinger had the son of Ogden under slight restraint, and he was holding his position without an apparent effort. Indian Chant, the light-weight of the company, had flashed up into fifth place, but it was only a flash, while the others raced along in fairly close order, and Short Grass plodding along lengths out of the running.

Never taking a long breath, High Noon reached the three furlong pole in :35 and the half in :46¾, and still Stromboli hung to him. The Finn was still racing third, but this maintained dazzling pace had taken the pair well out from the son of Ogden. It was apparent then that High Noon was cutting out a pace for his lesser-weighted stable mate, Spur, but Butwell showed no disposition to take back from that terrific pace and when the five furlong mark was reached in :59 3-5 Stromboli was still right there.

It was inevitable that such a pace would make one or other of the horses crack and shortly after making the turn for home High Noon was through and Stromboliwas left in front. By that time he was beginning to feel the effects of the early speed himself, and just as he showed in front of the Butler sprinter, The Finn, swinging clear on the outside, loomed up dangerously.

Shortly after reaching the furlong pole The Finn drew alongside Stromboli, and the fight to the finish was on. Stromboli is not the sort to give up without a battle and he responded with great courage to Butwell's drive, but it was of no avail. The Finn, while never far away from the pace, had in a measure been reserved for this final struggle, and he had the advantage of a certain amount of seasoning by his racing at Jamaica.

He steadily drew up on the chestnut and it was apparent a sixteenth from the finish that he would be the winner. But Stromboli continued to fight back with wonderful gameness and right to the last stride he was well lapped on the black, whose margin of victory was only half a length. Five lengths back of them Spur, for whom High Noon had been carrying Stromboli along, took down the short end of the purse The others were more or less strung out, and Short Grass, coming with a mighty stretch rush when too late, was running over horses. Lengths back of the field Indian Chant and Kingly finished.

While, as the race was run, it seemed that Butwell had made a fatal mistake in judgment in going along so closely after High Noon, Trainer Hildreth had no complaint to make after the running. He said that the horse had been well off and he saw no reason for not permitting him to step along just as he had done. He said he felt satisfied that Stromboli would have been the winner had it been possible for High Noon to maintain the pace for another sixteenth of a mile. When High Noon stopped and Stromboli was left to show the way he was in a position in which he does not like to run.

It was a sportsmanlike view for Mr. Hildreth to take of the race ,and he is too shrewd a horseman to have his opinion of the running criticised, but the fact remains that The Finn had much more left than Stromboli in that last furlong, and Schuttinger had wisely not been invcizled to go after the Butler sprinter while he was fresh and clipping off his wonderfully fast furlongs.

The winner was bred by John Madden and is a black colt, four years old, by Ogden, dam Levonia.

FRIAR ROCK WINS THE SUBURBAN.

On Tuesday, May 30th, with the field of starters containing many of the horses that had raced in The Metropolitan five days previous, that classic of the Westchester Association The Suburban Handicap was run. The race is at a mile and a quarter, and August Belmont's three-year-old Friar Rock, that ran unplaced in the shorter race, won by two and a half lengths from imported Short Grass, Mr. Emil Herz's aged horse, which was also unplaced in the mile stake, although in that race he finished ahead of Friar Rock. Stromboli, stable mate of Friar Rock, beaten but a half length by The Finn in the Metropolitan, beat the latter by the same distance in the Monday race and thus the Belmont Stables won first and third money. Friar Rock carried 99 pounds, Short Grass 117, Stromboli 122, and The Finn 127.

Hauberk was the pacemaker from the start, but Friar Rock, always in good position, forced him into submission after leading for five furlongs, and from that point the lightly weighted three-year-old went on to win cleverly.

The early pace told on The Finn with his heavy impost of 127 pounds and he was never prominent until near the end, when he made up some ground in the final quarter.

Short Grass held off the pace for the first mile, but when he made his stretch run the imported horse could not get near the flying leader. He beat all the others handily, however.

The Belmont pair coupled were favorites in the betting. The Finn and Sharpshooter were next in demand, while Short Grass was strongly fancied and Hauberk was the outside.

BOOKIES STILL DOING BUSINESS.

New York, May 26.—The sacred laws of the Empire State bar wagering on its race tracks. But the betting is done, and in almost as great a volume as in the bygone days, when 100 or more "bookies" flourished at each meeting.

The system, however, is different. The plunging is done "under cover." At least it's supposed to be under cover, but a one-eyed man could see at least 100 bets made before each race by merely walking across the lawn. But no money is passed. And that foils the Sherlocks.

When the lid was pried off the racing season the other day at the Jamaica track a squad of sleuths wandered down there for the purpose of grabbing and throwing into the bastile all those "layers" who fractured the rules and regulations of New York state. As far as we have been able to determine not one of the "layers" was arrested on the opening day, although at least fifty of them were operating.

The system of betting on the New York tracks now varies radically from that of the old "open" days. The "layers," of course, are anxious to snare as many bets as possible. That's their business. But they are a bit wary of the sleuths. Therefore before you can make a "lay" you've got to have some one O. K. you with the "layers."

You make your wagering desires known to some friend, who knows a "layer," and you both approach the "layer."

"This is Mr. Jones, Mr. Layer," says the introducer. "He's all right."

And then you are free to make bets.

As a necessary preliminary you give the "layer" a deposit of from $10 to $100, according to the amount you figure on losing. You hand it to him very, very privately. The "layer" credits you with the amount, and then you go ahead and make your bets.

Before each race he quotes you the odds. Suppose he offers 5 to 1 against Slipemon, and you want to bet $5 on that horse. Therefore you (under cover, of course) write on a little slip, "$5 on Slipemon to win at 5 to 1." Then you sign your name and slip it with the other bets. When the horses go to the post, Mr. Layer moves off by himself, extracts all the little slips and enters up the bets in a book.

When the race is over you meet Mr. Layer on the lawn. Each "layer" has a special spot on that lawn and there's where you always find him between races. In case you won he passes you a little slip saying "Your credit after first race is $125." That means you put up $100 with him and won $25 on the first race. Some layers don't pass slips. They merely say to you "Your credit now $125."

When the frolic is over for the day you hunt your "layer" and settle up. In case he is a very brave person, fearless of the law and its guardians, he will settle with you right out on the lawn. But if he is a skeery sort of gent, he will entreat you to meet him back of the grandstand or in the rear of some barn, or other secluded spot.

Last year many of the "layers" took a chance on the honesty of many of their clients and refused to take any deposit before the bets were made. They were too much afraid of the "ducks," as they term the sleuths. But so many of the betters "welched" after losing sizeable amounts that the "layers" lost their faith in human nature. And so this year they insist upon a deposit sufficient to cover the amount you figure on losing throughout an afternoon.

The Duryea thoroughbreds recently imported from France were sold at New York last week and averaged $1,150 per head. Crimper, three years old, fetched $16,500, and was bought by Ral. Parr.

COLT RACES THE STAR EVENTS.

Wealthy Sportsmen Paying Big Prices For Youngsters That Look Like Winners.

The true sporting spirit which sustains harness racing when there is no longer a place for the light harness road horse except upon the race track is back of nearly every entry in the bumper lists in the colt races to be held on eastern tracks this year. It is the old spirit which inspired Robert Bonner to pay $30,000 for a trotter that could show the way to Commodore Vandervilt's fastest horse in a brush down the road in the days of Harlem Lane, and so long as it survives neither automobiles or legislation against betting can accomplish the destruction of harness racing.

For those who take a breeder's interest in the sport a colt race is nowadays the thing. It uncovers the budding champions and the coming sires and dams, and the contestants are doubly interesting because they are young, fresh and improving, with future possibilities for the enthusiasts to dream about and venture predictions as to what they will do next week and next year.

It is not so many years since a colt race was regarded as a weak feature on any harness racing program. They were not popular, for the reason that nearly always they were devoid of real contest, one colt usually outclassing the other so completely that the result became a foregone conclusion before the word "Go" had been given. But conditions have changed rapidly as the trotting horse crystallized into a breed, and today there is just about the same chance for a close contest among a lot of well bred two-year-olds as there is in a race for aged horses.

With more than one hundred young trotters entered in the races for two-year-olds and three-year-olds at Monroe, Goshen and Middletown, the colts give promise of proving to be the star performers this year in the Orange County Circuit. What the sentiment which favors colt racing means to the sport was illustrated last winter when Louis Titus of California, the new proprietor of the historic Stony Ford Farm, near Goshen, New York, paid $5,000 for the bay filly Anselila, that earned a record of 2:17½ as a yearling last season. His chief purpose in buying her was to win the two-year-old races in Orange county with a Stony Ford entry. Animated by the same ambition, Richard Delafield, owner of Brook Farm, at Chester, and one of the best sportsmen who ever owned a trotting horse, went to the Fasig-Tipton sale at Madison Square Garden last winter and paid $3,450 for the fast filly Emma Magowan, with a record of 2:22½, made as a yearling in 1915. Then, to make assurance doubly sure, he purchased Buck Watts and Coleman Watts, two other very promising colts of the same age, and entered all three of them at Monroe, Goshen and Middletown, as well as in the $2,000 race for two-year-old trotters at the Poughkeepsie Grand Circuit meeting.

Herman S. Crossman, a wealthy young New York horse fancier, who recently established a new stud farm near Monroe, has outdone all the other Orange county breeders by entering six colts and fillies in the races for two-year-olds. Seeing this unusual number of entries in the name of Mr. Crossman's Comsewogue Farm, some of the "one horse" nominators thought that special privileges were being given to him, but investigation convinced them that Mr. Crossman was paying full rates on each entry, the same as everybody else.

Horace White, formerly Governor of New York, is one of the notable men represented in the list of nominators to this notable series of colt races. His entry, made in the name of Lyndon Farm, is the bay filly Marion Bathgate, by Morgan Axworthy, and she is said to be a speedy one. A. H. Cosden, of Southold, L. I., will be represented by the fast colt Sanardo, for which he paid $3,200 at auction before it was twelve months old. John E. Madden, the largest breeder of race horses in the world, is going all the way from Kentucky to Orange county to try for the prizes with Lord Silva, a colt of his own breeding, by Siliko 2:08¼, once the champion trotting stallion of Europe. David Tod, of Youngstown, Ohio, like Mr. Madden, could find plenty of engagements and easier ones for his trotters nearer home, but the ambition to win where the best will compete led him to enter Trujolla, a daughter of Binjolla 2:17½, in the two-year-old races at Goshen, Middletown and Monroe.

Among other prominent horsemen represented by the fifty-six two-year-olds entered at Goshen are Albert C. Hall, of Woodburn Grange, at Stamford, who names the brown colt Atlantic Pilot, by Atlantic Express 2:07¾, out of the once famous two-year-old Miss Previous; A. B. Coxe, of Philadelphia, who has two royally bred ones of his own rearing; W. M. V. Hoffman, of Tuxedo, whose candidate is the black filly Patsy P., by J. Malcolm Forbes 2:08; John R. Townsend, director of the Riding Club and the National Horse Show Association, who has a promising colt by The Harvester 2:01, called First Virginian; J. O. Winston, of Saugerties Farm, who nominates Mabel Worth and Bertha McGuire, the latter by The Harvester, out of C. K. G. Billings' big saddle mare Berta Mac 2:08; W. Averell Harriman, who names another one by The Harvester, called Rye, and one by John R. Gentry 2:00¼, called Chub; William Crawford, of New York and Monroe, whose entry is Flora Lea, by Bingara; Colonel Jacob Ruppert, who names Joseph Guy and Lois Guy, by Guy Axworthy 2:08¼; Leo Oettinger, who enters two fillies of his own breeding, by the same sire; C. W. Lasell, of Oakhurst Farm, Whitinsville, Mass., who bred, trained and drove the winner of the two-year-old race at Monroe and Goshen a few years ago, and John L. Dodge, once president of the Road Drivers' Association of New York, who, like Mr. Lasell, trains and drives the trotters he breeds at Hollyrood Farm.

By a happy arrangement of the program at each one of the Orange county meetings this year the two colt races will be decided on the same day of the week, so that horsemen who are partial to the baby trotters can count on seeing them all by going to the tracks on Wednesdays.—N. Y. Herald.

GRAND CIRCUIT PURSES TOTAL $500,000.

Over $500,000 will be the total amount to be distributed by the Grand Circuit among trotters and pacers during the coming racing season, this estimate being based upon the amounts already announced as early closing stakes from the opening of the circuit at Cleveland to the close at Lexington, with Atlanta, Ga., still to be heard from and not estimated.

In the figures are calculated the value of all early closers, added moneys for colt sweepstakes, the estimated value of all the big futurities, the increase in the sweepstakes and the lowest possible amount to be added for class races or late closing events, the amount for the latter division being placed as a little over half of the total for trotters and pacers in early stakes, which certainly is a very low estimate.

The following table shows the total amount already offered for features from the opening to the close of the grand circuit at Lexington for trotters and pacers, while in sweepstakes the actual amount of added moneys only is given:

	Trot	Pace	Sweeps
Cleveland	$ 6,000	$3,000	$1,500
Detroit	13,000	7,000	600
Kalamazoo	16,000	5,000	1,000
Grand Rapids	8,000	5,000	500
Columbus	10,000	8,000	1,000
Cleveland	6,000	3,000	500
Poughkeepsie	13,000	6,000	....
Hartford	11,000	3,000	....
Syracuse	16,000	9,000	2,000
Columbus (2 weeks)	23,000	14,000	800
Lexington (2 weeks)	17,000	4,000	....
Totals	$139,000	$67,000	$7,900

It will be seen that the total amount for straight closing purse events for trotters and pacers is $206,000. At the lowest estimate the sum of $10,000 will be added to this for late closing events during the thirteen weeks of the line of march, thus making the grand total of $336,000 for the entire program, not counting the addition at Hartford for half miles and the amount to be yet announced from Atlanta, which will surely make the grand total not less than $400,000.

That the total amount offered as added moneys for sweepstakes will more than double by the additional entrance moneys received from nominators, so that the total value of the thirteen sweepstakes at $20,000 will not be an over-estimate, and judged by the present entry lists and small percentage of declarations, even that amount as total is low enough.

There will be five rich futurities as features of the Grand Circuit. The Kentucky Futurity this year will be worth $26,000, there being a four-year-old division of the same worth $5,000.

The total value of the five scheduled futurities to be raced at Grand Rapids, second meeting of Cleveland, Syracuse, Columbus and Lexington may total close to $80,000, thus bringing the final purse value for the thirteen weeks to an even half million dollars, including specials which several tracks will add to their weekly cards as has been done in past seasons.

WINNERS AT CHICO FAIR.

The spring fair held at Chico last week attracted thousands of people and was voted a big success by all who attended. The display of horses was not a large one, but some excellent specimens of the Percheron and Shire breeds were on exhibition. The following were the winners in the different classes:

Percheron Horses—Stallion, three years and over: First, Jasuir, grand champion, J. A. Franklin, Durham; second, Perfection, J. Dutro, Chico. Mare, three years and over: First, Como, grand champion, J. A. Franklin, Durham; second, Nona Maid, J. A. Franklin, Durham; third, Comet, J. A. Franklin, Durham.

Shire—Stallion, three years and over: First, Anwick Arthur, grand champion, Easton & Ward, Burlingame. Stallion, two years and over: First, Gay Lad, Easton & Ward, Burlingame. Stallion, one year and over: First, Black Hawk Mystery, Easton & Ward, Burlingame. Mare, three years and over: First, Flaford Daisy, grand champion, Easton & Ward, Burlingame.

Grades—Draft teams: First, Bird and Queen, J. F. Hollingsworth, Chico.

Standard—Stallion, over three years: First, Bon Arthur, C. M. Powell, Chico.

Walter Cox, the New Hampshire trainer, has enough horses in his training stables to fit out a cavalry company. He is training 66 in all, 48 of which are trotters and 18 pacers.

EMPIRE FARM HORSES AVERAGE $467.

The dispersal sale of William Simpson's breeding stock from his Empire City Stud, Cuba, N. Y., which was held at Lexington, Ky., May 23rd, under the auspices of the Kentucky Sales Company, drew a large gathering of horsemen and breeders from many distant points, and the bidding was lively.

Forty-two trotters from the consignment were sold for a total of $19,614, or an average of $467 per head, which was regarded as an exceptionally good sale at this time of year. It was stated that the dispersal sale was held to dissolve partnership between Mr. Simpson and his son.

Twenty-five of the horses were knocked down to F. O. Young and some others, and the report was that these purchases were made for Mr. Simpson and retained by him to continue breeding operations. The fact that the two famous stallions owned by the farm, McKinney and Axworthy, were not sold, gave the report some color. The twenty-five head are to be returned to Mansfield Farm and placed in charge of Robert L. Nash, the Kentucky manager of Empire City Stud.

Following are some of the best prices obtained at the sale:

Eleata 2:08½, blk m (19) by Dexter Prince—Elden by Nephew. R. S. Strader, Lexington. $1,250

Etta Worthy 2:20¼, b m (12) by Axworthy—Emir by Advertiser. Roy Miller, Lexington.. 700

Minetta McKinney, b f (2) by McKinney—Erta Worthy 2:20¼ by Axworthy. B. Monroe, Cleveland, Ohio 500

Diabla McKinney (3) 2:19, blk m (8) by McKinney—Princess Annabel by Mambrino King. Beaumont Farm, W. Newton, Mass. 700

Worthetta McKinney (1) 2:29½, (2) 2:14¾, b f (4) by McKinney—Etta Worthy 2:20¼ by Axworthy. F. O. Young, Lexington, Ky..... 3,500

Sister Scott, b f (4) by Peter the Great—Jenny Scott 2:14¼ by Bryson. H. M. Jones, Lexington, Ky. 2,600

Trinket Worthy (2) 2:26¼, b m (9) by Axworthy—My Trinket by Stamboul. Roy Miller, Lexington, Ky. 700

Olivia Worthy (2) 2:27½, b m (3) by Axworthy—Ollis McKinney 2:16¼ by McKinney. J. B. Armstrong, Huntington, Ind. 685

Maggie Prodigal (2) 2:29, b m (9) by Prodigal—Maggie Baron by Baron Wilkes. J. D. Grover, Georgetown, Ky. 525

Berta McKinney, b f (2) by McKinney—Bertha Derby by Chas. Derby. B. Monroe, Cleveland 475

Four-Year-Old Arab Has Endurance.

Halcyon, winner of the endurance race arranged by the Morgan Horse Club a few years ago, is at Durland's Riding Academy in New York, doing service as a school horse. Halcyon is an Arab, but she looks like an old-fashioned American thoroughbred of the type prominent in the days when race horses had to run four miles and repeat to make a reputation. When she won the endurance race she traveled one hundred and fifty-four miles, up hill and down, over country roads, in thirty hours and forty minutes, with 180 pounds on her back. She is barely 15 hands high, yet she outlasted the larger horses and outjumped them too, having won the broad jumping competition at one of the New England shows last year by clearing twenty-nine feet.

Halcyon's colt Kingfisher, four years old next month, is "somewhere in Mexico" with the troops that have been chasing Pancho Villa. Colonel Spencer Borden, who bred him, presented him to Major Frank Tompkins of the Thirteenth Cavalry, who rode him from Columbus, N. M., to Parral in a forced march which has had few parallels in border warfare. In a letter written by Major Tompkins just after the troops under his command were attacked by the Mexicans at Parral, he said to Mrs. Tompkins:

"Please drop a line to Borden and tell him I have ridden no other horse but Kingfisher since crossing the border, and that during the fight at Parral he behaved like a gentleman. Really, he is a wonderful little horse. His endurance is almost uncanny. I never saw one that could do so much on so little nourishment."

To this Mrs. Tompkins adds:

"The fact that Frank has ridden only one horse in all his hard campaigning certainly speaks wonderful things for the Arab."

Though "Ed" Geers has driven more fast trotters and pacers than any reinsman that ever lived, he has yet to ride a mile in 2:00 in the sulky. That he will do so this year, however, is the belief of many horsemen who saw his chestnut stallion Napoleon Direct finish his winning heats in 2:00¾ and 2:00¾ at Lexington last fall. This eight-year-old son of Walter Direct 2:05¾ is among the horses entered in the $3,000 race for pacers of the 2:00 class at the Poughkeepsie Grand Circuit meeting in August. In it he will start against such flyers as Frank Bogash 1:59¼, Hal Boy 2:02¼, Russell Boy 2:02¼, Peter Stevens 2:02¼, Single G. 2:02¾, R. H. Brett 2:03¼, General Todd 2:04½, Earl Jr. 2:01½, Flower Direct 2:00¾, and White Sox 2:05¼.

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Agnes Carter 2:15¾, by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, the trotting mare formerly owned by A. Ottinger and that W. L. Snyder, of Springfield, Ohio, bought at the recent Indianapolis sale, has been bred to Binjolla 2:17¾.

Notes and News

Fresno's $600 purses

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Will close for entry next Monday.

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June 5th is the date and don't forget it.

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There are six purses of $600 each, three for trotrs and three for pacers.

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The classes are: Trotters, 2:09, 2:15 and 2:30. acers, 2:10, 2:14 and 2:20, and the fair to be held September.

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A good list of entries for the Breeders' meeting at ie Santa Rosa Fair is almost assured. Secretary elley is opening a big bunch of entries as we go to ress and thinks every race has filled.

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Mr. C. K. G. Billings paid $1500 the other day for ie pacer Billy Burton 2:21¼ by Oratorio 2:13 and ill use the gelding as a saddle horse.

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Dr. Leland Carter, who is a son of the late Martin arter, has opened an office for the practice of denistry in the Physicians and Surgeons Building, Sutter street, San Francisco.

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Reports from Goshen state that all the box seats or the August races at the "historic track" have been old, which shows how well Orange County folks like o go to the races.

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Dixon's program of races is being prepared and vill be ready for publication soon. The Solano ounty fair will be a record breaker for attendance nd the "alfalfa centre" will be ready to provide for ll who come.

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Sixteen head of saddle and combination horses vhich were shipped to New York for sale at auction y Mr. E. J. DePue, proprietor of the Woodland Hackney Stud, were sold on Friday of last week and rought just a few dollars less than $5,000, the average being $306.

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If you need anything in the way of boots, hopples, coolers, harness or horse medicines, drop a line to J. David West, 1018 Fillmore street, San Francisco, and you will be supplied with what you want by parcels post or express as you may direct. Mr. West aims to give entire satisfaction to every customer, and his prices are as low as can be made with reason.

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At Colonel Jacob Ruppert's Hudson River Stock Farm, in Poughkeepsie, the first foal by Peter Volo 2:02 was born the other day to the chestnut mare Sapphire Worthy, by Axworthy 2:15½, out of Octavia 2:18½, by Baron Wilkes 2:18. The sire of the colt is now at the head of W. E. D. Stokes' extensive stud in Kentucky, where he has succeeded his sire, Peter the Great 2:07¼.

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August Belmont, chairman of the Jockey Club and head of the Westchester Racing Association, has joined the Goshen Driving Club, of which W. Averell Harriman is president; Pierre Lorillard, Jr., the vice-president, and W. K. Dickerson the secretary. Mr. Belmont is the breeder and owner of a fast young trotter by Peter the Great 2:07¼ and is taking a personal interest in the revival of Grand Circuit harness racing at Poughkeepsie.

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The Jockey Club of New York has recently made the following rule: "Valets hereafter will deliver the 'tack' of the jockey for whom they are valeting to the owner or trainer in the paddock, then return to the jockey room and remain on the premises until the finish of the race in which they are valeting a jockey, at which time they will go to the judges' stand and, after a jockey has weighed in, return with the jockey's tack to the jockey room."

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A pacing gelding called Peter Pan made a campaign last year on the Maine half mile tracks, starting at seven or eight meetings and getting either first or second money in every start, winding up the season with a record of 2:16¼ made on a half mile track. He is now in the stable of Walter Cox and is said to be a very likely candidate for the free-for-alls in another year. He is by Alsandra 2:12, the stallion by Bonnie Direct—Alix B. 2:24½ that the late Ted Hayes campaigned in California in 1908.

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The London Club's Challenge Cup, said to be the most valuable prize ever offered for a trotting race in England, was won at Parsloes Park on May 9 by a horse called Johnnie E., in 2:22. Besides the one thousand dollar trophy the winner received a purse of $300. Trotting and the trotting horse are attracting unprecedented attention in England since the war broke out. It is estimated that seventy-five per cent of all the cavalry horses imported from the United States and Canada are partly or wholly trotting bred, and they have made a very favorable impression in the home of the race horse and the hackney.

The season of harness racing has already opened in Ohio. A meeting at Bowling Green in that State will open on Tuesday next.

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Fred Chadbourne shipped in the same car with the horses that went to the Indianapolis sale a two-year-old by Vernon McKinney out of a mare by Star Pointer and a three-year-old by Joe Patchen 2d, dam the dam of Hal J. that was sold to W. J. Fleming.

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L. G. Baker of Los Angeles shipped to North Randall in the car with the Durfee horses the trotting mare Maggie M. 2:12¼, record made at the recent breeders' meeting at Los Angeles, also the mare Zomalene, trial 2:15. Mr. Baker expects to race them on the Lake Erie circuit.

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It was twenty-four years ago, August 17th, 1892, to be exact, when Budd Doble drove Nancy Hanks a mile in 2:07¼ in a contest against time, the 2:08¼ held by Sunol and made the year previous. 1892 does not seem so very long ago to the "old boys," but when they read that the 2:08 class trot at Columbus, Ohio, this year has 23 entries, they will conclude the speed of trotters has increased some in a couple of dozen years.

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Dan Hal, a full brother to Hal Boy 2:06¼ and also to Indian Hal 2:10¼, and May Day Hal, two-year-old futurity winner at Salem in 1914, is for sale. His owner, Harry Osman of Gresham, Oregon, states that it is a pity to have a horse like Dan Hal where no good mares can be bred to him and he wishes to sell him at a low figure. Dan Hal has a trial of 2:11¼ and is registered as pure bred Morgan, No. 6812, and also as a standard pacer.

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The premium list for the fourth annual fair of the Riverside County Fair Association, to be held October 10th to 14th, 1916, has been published. It contains lists of all the premiums offered in the live stock and other classes at the fair besides all the rules governing entries and exhibits. The Riverside County Fair is one of the big fairs of southern California and Secretary O. P. Sanders, of Riverside, will be pleased to send one of these premium lists to any person or firm contemplating making an exhibit there.

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This office has received with the compliments of Mr. H. K. Devereux, the Official Year Book of the League of Amateur Driving Clubs, containing full summaries of all trotting and pacing events at matinees of 1915, also summaries of amateur events at public meetings, lists of officers and members of the clubs in membership in the league, and alphabetical lists of the trotters and pacers owned by the various clubs. The book is beautifully printed and our thanks are due Mr. Devereux for this fine addition to our library.

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The Breeder and Sportsman office had a pleasant call one morning last week from Mr. L. L. Battey, a gentleman who has been engaged in mining in this state for forty years, residing here only part of the time, however. He formerly lived in Kansas where he owned the stallion Great Britton by Tommy Britton 2:06¼ and bred several standard performers by him. He is a brother of G. S. Battey of Kansas, whose contributions to the trotting horse journals over the pen name of "Columbus" have been enjoyed by horsemen for the past thirty years. Mr. L. L. Battey said he got out of the horse business years ago, but we surmise the disease has attacked him again, as after witnessing a green pacer work some fast miles at the Sacramento track recently he came in to the B. and S. office and looked up his pedigree quite carefully.

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Mr. Chas. W. Winter, of Alhambra, writes us that the mare Cima by Limonero, that took a record of 2:21 on May 19th at Los Angeles, as reported in the B. and S., was given a second trial the same day and reduced her record to 2:18¼. Her dam, Sona 2:16 by McKinney, is also the dam of Juanita G. (3) 2:27 trotting and Kinsman Lou (2) 2:26½ trotting, all of which took their records the same afternoon. It is rather remarkable that a mare should produce three to take trotting records the same day, and as she is also the dam of Alta Mac 2:19¼ by Redlac she has jumped into the Great Broodmare table with a vengeance. W. G. Durfee stepped the colt Kinsman Lou a quarter in 33 seconds and another in 33½ seconds last Saturday and the last eighth of each was in 16 seconds. He is a nice colt and Mr. Alex Grant has good reason to be proud of him.

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As an example of the versatility of the trotting bred horse the brown gelding Sealskin by Velvin Wilkes is a noteworthy animal. He was trained for speed when a youngster and could trot pretty well but not fast enough for the races. He was then used as a road horse for years and was a high class family horse. A daughter of his owner then took to riding him and entering him in the horse shows won blue ribbons in the harness, saddle and combination classes. Last winter he was tried as a jumper and in six weeks could clear the bars at four and a half feet as well as many of the more experienced horses in this class. He is to be entered in the jumping classes at many of the shows this year. Sealskin is 15.2½ hands, and in ordinary condition weighs 1100 pounds. His bone and substance are remarkable and unless worked regularly quickly goes up to 1200 pounds.

AUCTION SALE OF SADDLE HORSES.

The Bridgford Company is preparing to consign about twenty mares, colts and geldings to the auction ring on Tuesday evening, June 20th, and is arranging to hold the sale at the Riding Club on Seventh Avenue, this city. Judge Bridgford informs us that he is not retiring from the breeding of saddle horses by a good deal, in fact he has just gotten well started, but as the farm is getting over-stocked he has decided to reduce the number of horses on hand by an auction sale, and let the public set the value on them. The Bridgford Company purchased in Missouri three years ago the colt LeGrand McDonald, and this colt has been a winner in the show ring every time he has been shown since. As a two-year-old last season he won first prize in the class for stallions two years old and under three at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition, also the Junior Championship, and now as a three-year-old he has grown to be one of the finest specimens of the American Saddle Horse ever seen anywhere. He is not for sale but one or two of his get will be offered at this time. The stallion Artist Jr., by Artist Montrose, that has heretofore been the premier sire at the Bridgford farm, was also a winner every year shown until an accident so blemished one of his legs that he has not been taken off the farm since. He became cast in his stall by some means and the flesh was so badly torn that it was thought for awhile he would not recover, but the terrible wound finally healed and he now goes sound on it, but is badly scarred. Artist Jr. will be sold as the Bridgford Company has a number of mares and fillies by him which will be mated with LeGrand McDonald.

Judge Bridgford some years ago purchased a number of trotting and pacing bred mares to mate with his saddle stallions, among them mares by Stam B., Nutwood Wilkes and other sires whose get had style and action, and from them he has bred a number of show winning saddle horses, among them the gelding Dom Pedro that was sold last February to the Japanese government for a large price. Dom Pedro is by Artist Jr. out of Azmoorie 2:20¾ by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16½, and is a magnificent horse that goes all the gaits perfectly.

The Bridgford Company will give particulars of the coming sale in the advertising columns of this journal next week, and catalogues will also be printed and given wide circulation. Persons desiring these catalogues should send their address to the Bridgford Company, 519 California street, San Francisco, and they will be mailed as soon as printed.

There will be offered at this sale mares with foals at foot, well broken young horses two and three years old and one five-year-old. There are some great prospects for show winners among them. The American Saddle Horse is growing in popularity every day and we look for this sale to be largely attended.

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Riding enthusiasts, nationally known and socially prominent, have been invited to participate in the divisional equestrian features of pageantry and parades during the Round-up in San Jose July 1, 2, 3 and 4. The Round-up association has interested Mrs. J. E. Bell in this feature of the big epochal celebration and she will make a tour of this section of the state to personally urge horse women to go to San Jose with their finely equipped horses. Several social leaders in San Francisco, Oakland, Burlingame and San Mateo have declared their intention of being present.

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Mr. Girard Parsons, a wealthy young Missourian, has recently purchased a saddle stallion and several mares as the foundation stock for a saddle horse breeding farm. He visited Kentucky and purchased King's Rival, a young son of Bourbon King, dam Euroda, a daughter of Highland Denmark. King's Rival is four years old, a chestnut, with some white but not conspicuous markings. He has been considered the champion of his age since a weanling and closed the season of 1915 by winning the Kentucky Fair stake. Mr. Parsons paid $3,500 for King's Rival and was offered $5,000 for him a few weeks after, but declined the offer.

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A rather mixed lot of Kentucky saddle horses were sold in New York May 10th, by S. T. Harbinson & Co., of Kentucky, and the average obtained y Auctioneer George A. Bain for the twenty head was $509. Two of the lot brought $1500 each. The saddle horse market cannot be said to be over supplied when such prices are obtained.

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Gen. Castleman's saddle queen, Emily by Bourbon Chief, dam Delia by Dillard Dudley, is dead at her owner's home in Kentucky, aged 28 years. She was as near the perfect horse as any equine becomes and had great beauty as well as great brilliancy in the show ring. At the world's fair in Chicago she won the championship, and it was her performances that attracted attention to Bourbon Chief as a sire. Her first foal Goodwin was so flawless in outline that his picture was used on all letterheads and catalogs of the St. Louis world's fair in 1904. Emily's son Merwin went to Porto Rico where he has been a great success in the stud. Kenwin, another son of Emily, is now in service in South Dakota. Her only living daughters are Eugenia and Devota. Eugenia has but one foal, a two-year-old filly by Golden King. Devota was bred last year to Astral King, and from this mating a champion should come.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

CATCHING PYTHONS—IT'S TOUGH ON PIGS.

The way natives in India catch pythons is described as follows by Prince Ghosh. He says: "A python generally lives in a hole in the ground or a hollow in a tree; but if it can find an old ruin in the jungle—and there are many old ruins in India—it likes to take up its sleeping quarters there, because even in the heaviest rains the water runs off quickly, whereas a hole in the ground is likely to be flooded. The python needs to eat only once a week, and to get that meal it lies flat along the bough of a tree near a stream and waits for its prey to come to drink. When the natives see the long trail that the pythons body makes near the bank, and find a heap of ruins near by, they make a hole in the ruined wall just exactly big enough for the python to get through. Then they tie a pig to a stake near the hole on one side of the wall, and on the other side of the wall opposite the hole they tie another pig to a stake. They also tie a wire to the leg or the tail of the near-side pig, and as evening draws on they twist it from a distance and the pig squeals. As the python comes home to bed it hears the squeals. So the python comes along merrily and seizes its supper at a single bite. Down goes the pig into the big snake's throat, sucked in slowly by sheer muscular action. In about half an hour the pig has passed completely down the long neck, and in another half-hour it is down a couple of yards farther into the python's stomach. Most animals would go to sleep right away after a gorge like that. But meanwhile the second pig on the other side of the wall has realized its unhappy brother's woeful fate, and has set up a most distressing noise. The python puts its head through the hole and sees it. "Aha!" it says to itself. "Here's my next week's breakfast!" And, instead of waiting for next week to come, that greedy python swallows the second pig, too. The wily natives wait until the second pig is well on its way down the python's body. Then they have the snake caught! Pig No. 1 prevents its from advancing, and Pig No. 2 prevents it from retreating. The natives lasso the python round the neck, break down the wall, and pass a coil of rope between the two lumps of pig before they can amalgamate. Then they bear away the python to captivity." We think our readers would be able to suggest a quicker and less expensive method of capture.

FISH LINES FROM THE SOUTH.

Fishing in the San Bernardino Mountains has been beter during the last week than at any time previous this year. More limits were taken from Big Bear Lake in the week than in the two weeks before. At Little Bear the fishing has been much better than it was early in the season. Reports from Pinecrest and Thousand Pines indicate that the stream fishing also is better. The water is lower than it was the first of May, and the fish are responding to flies and bait.

An average of twenty limits a day have been taken from Big Bear Lake by guests at Pine Knot, and similar catches by those at Knight's Camp, in addition to the fish caught by camping parties. The stages of the San Bernardino Mountain Auto Line have been bringing into San Bernardino for express shipment an average of fifteen limits a day, while many fish are consumed at the camps, or brought out of the mountains by private machines.

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Complaint comes from expert anglers upon the higher Sespe that a great many dead fish are found. In one place, according to Jake Hartmann, who fished near Willet's, there were so many dead trout that the water was fouled. This will be investigated at the first opportunity by the Fish and Game Commission experts. Some think salmon eggs poison fish. Others think that the jamming about the trout suffered in the January floods may have weakened or injured them in some way to make them subject to fungus, or other like disease. It is well known that a trout handled by a dry hand loses its natural slimy coating and is very apt to contract this fatal fungus disease, which is similar to that killing the salmon after spawning, if not indeed the same thing. Whatever the explanation, it is serious business, as the trout have enough to do sustaining themselves against the army of angling-lincensees seeking their dollar's worth, without fighting disease, too.

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Deputy Gyger visited the San Jacinto north fork recently and found three men with 100 very decent fish. The San Jacinto is a rocky, trying stream. Trout are earned in it. The festive "rattolier" rattles pretty frequently in those rock piles, and is as "pesky" as necessary, if not more so. But the fish average a good size and a first-class exponent of the fly can find high class sport. It takes "some shooting" to lay it to 'em in this brushy country, and one has trouble with his "back-cast" on the best pools; but the catches are ample reward—ten and twelve-inch fish, with bigger ones in the reservoir for those granted the privilege of fishing therein. The water is high now, and indications promise a sustained flow later. It is a long drive and those going there will find the natives well versed in its attractions.

WOMEN GAMEKEEPERS IN ENGLAND.

Ever since August, 1914, we have been growing accustomed more and more to seeing women performing work which had previously been regarded as the exclusive preserve of the sterner sex. We confess, however, that we were somewhat astonished at the suggestion that women would make excellent gamekeepers. Writing to the Evening Standard a few days ago a correspondent of that journal said: "It is to be regretted that women are not being employed on the game preserves in numbers. It is the fault of the women themselves. Perhaps they do not realize that gamekeeping is not arduous work, except in districts where poachers abound, and happily these are few and far between. The out-and-out professional poacher has a better job today. As a matter of fact, he seems to have entirely disappeared. The war has swept him away. Our worst poacher is and always has been the agricultural laborer—the shepherd and ploughman, who poach as they go about their usual duties, setting a snare here and picking up a clutch of eggs there. They are not easy to detect, but when run to ground at last they surrender tamely enough, and bear little or no malice. Gamekeeping should make a special appeal to the middle-class woman fond of an out-door life and nature." There is, of course, some truth in this writer's assertions; but we can hardly agree with his statement that "gamekeeping is not arduous work." And, indeed, it will be noticed that he qualifies it himself. But with regard to women gamekeepers we must "wait and see."—Shooting Times and British Sportsman.

SAN FRANCISCO FLY CASTING CLUB SCORES.

Members of the San Francisco Fly Casting Club enjoyed good sport on Stow Lake both Saturday and Sunday, competition in the various events being keen. There were some good scores. Results:

Saturday contest—

Contestant.	—Delicacy— Accy.	Dlcy.	Net.	H. T. Accy.
F. J. Cooper	19	5	12	..
W. D. Mansfield	11	20	15½	..
W. J. Davis, Jr.	18	15	16½	8
Stanley Forbes	17	20	18½	10
Col. C. G. Young	27	15	21	11
J. F. Burgin	38	20	29	14
F. A. Webster	21	45	33	10
C. H. Gardner	33	40	36½	14
H. A. Thomsen, Jr.	40	40	40	20
C. H. Kewell	37	40	48½	10
William Gerstle	..	..	..	54
Re-entry List—				
W. D. Mansfield	13	0	6½	..
F. J. Cooper	8	10	9	..
W. J. Davis, Jr.	11	10	10½	13
Stanley Forbes	15	15	15	..
H. A. Thomsen, Jr.	21	15	18	15
C. H. Kewell	30	20	25	..

Officials—C. H. Kewell, William Gerstle and J. F. Burgin, judges; W. J. Davis Jr., referee; Charles E. Hills Jr., clerk.

Sunday contest—

Contestant.	—Delicacy— Accy.	Dlcy.	Net.	H. T. Accy.
W. D. Mansfield	13	10	11½	15
Col. C. G. Young	13	15	14	23
W. J. Davis, Jr.	13	20	16½	12
Stanley Forbes	15	20	17½	10
J. F. Burgin	28	10	19	5
C. H. Kewell	21	20	20½	11
H. A. Thomsen, Jr.	20	30	25	20
Dr. W. E. Brookes	26	30	28	35
William Gerstle	26	40	33	23
E. A. Rogers	28	50	39	36
Dr. Otto Westerfeld	25	35	43½	42
Ed Borg	54	75	64½	43
F. J. Cooper	16	5	10½	14
H. B. Sperry	21	25	23	14
C. H. Gardner	15	30	22½	22
Austin Sperry	30	35	32½	38
H. C. Golcher	..	..	..	48
Re-entry List—				
W. D. Mansfield	6	5	5½	13
Stanley Forbes	18	15	16½	..
H. A. Thomsen, Jr.	14	20	17	26
W. J. Davis, Jr.	11	25	18	10
William Gerstle	20	25	22½	52
H. C. Golcher	29	20	24½	..
F. J. Cooper	39	10	29½	..
Dr. W. E. Brookes	30	35	32½	24
A. E. Rogers	48	35	41½	..
Ed Borg	33	50	41½	..

Heavy tackle, distance—W. D. Mansfield 138, W. J. Davis Jr. 108, Stanley Forbes 113, J. F. Burgin 110, C. H. Kewell 110, H. A. Thomsen Jr. 115, Dr. W. E. Brookes 100, E. A. Rogers 120, F. J. Cooper 102, H. B. Sperry 120, C. H. Gardner 100, Austin Sperry 116, H. C. Golcher 132.

Half-ounce lure, accuracy—W. D. Mansfield 21, Colonel C. G. Young 21, W. J. Davis Jr. 19, Stanley Forbes 10, J. F. Burgin 17, C. H. Kewell 25, H. A. Thomsen Jr. 60, William Gerstle 88, Dr. O. Westerfeld 65, Ed Borg 78, F. J. Cooper 17, C. H. Gardner 10, H. B. Sperry 38, Austin Sperry 37, H. A. Thomsen Jr., re-entry, 58.

Half-ounce lure, distance, average—W. J. Davis Jr. 174, Stanley Forbes 134, C. H. Kewell 158, William Gerstle 86, F. J. Cooper 217, C. H. Gardner 144.

Officials—F. J. Cooper, W. J. Davis Jr. and Stanley Forbes, judges; J. F. Burgin, referee; Charles E. Hills Jr., clerk.

FISHING IN SUPERIOR CALIFORNIA.

Although the snow storm last week will delay the trout season in many sections of Superior California, there still are many streams where fishing is very good, especially for salmon roe and worm bait. It is yet early for flies in most sections.

All of the streams in Nevada county are a good field for the fishermen, the trout taking roe and worms eagerly, although they rarely rise for flies. Fishing also is good in the vicinity of Momon Island and Salmon Falls, near Folsom.

The State Fish and Game Commission planted 600,000 fry there last year and the trout are now from six to seven inches in length. Good catches can be made in that district.

On the upper American River and tributaries, just above Aiverton, big catches are reported with worm and roe bait. A few more weeks of clear weather and the trout can successfully be landed with a bright fly. Many good sized trout are also being hooked in the Feather River with salmon flies. Feather River fishing will be good in the vicinity of Belden as soon as the water clears.

The snow storm was quite heavy in the mountains of the Tahoe region, four inches falling at Tallac. The principal delay in the season will be caused by the waters from the new fall of snow washing down considerable food to the fish. This will mean that the trout will seldom bite as long as they have plenty of other food.

The Fish and Game Commission reports from various parts of Superior California this follow:

Weed—Trout not very plentiful.

Red Bluff—Trout fishing improving.

Susanville—Trout fishing fine in all the streams of Lassen county. Nothing unusual to get the limit.

Taylorville—Fishing on lake fair. Will improve. Lake record now eight pounds for rainbow trout.

Murphys—Fishing fair in San Antone creek near Big Trees and Dorrington. Take gray hackle and coachman flies. Some also use salmon eggs. Fishing good in Licking Ford. Fish rather small.

Belden—Account rains river high and muddy, fishing not very good just now. Chips Creek, Yellow Creek and Mosquito Creek clear. Brown hackle fly being used on North Fork above east branch. This part of river clear. Salmon fly and helgamite are popular bait but scarce.

BARKS ALONG KENNEL ROW.

Dr. George W. Clayton of Chicago will judge all breeds at the Oakland Kennel Club dog show to be held June 15, 16 and 17 at the Auditorium.

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George Steadman Thomas of Halimton, Mass., a recent visitor here, judged all breeds at the Brighton Beach, N. Y., show May 30. The fact that over nine hundred dogs have been entered is proof of Thomas's popularity.

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Sir Hebert Beerbohm Tree, the famous British actor, has turned dog fancier, and when he isn't playing Bishop Wolsey in King Henry III. he is assisting the show committee of the Nassau County Kennel Club in their coming charity show for the benefit of disabled horses of the allies.

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Who said that Collies were a back number, when at the Utah Kennel Club show held recently a collie owned by Dr. W. M. Waddell, named Goldfield Model, won the special for best of all breeds with 178 dogs benched. Now that is going some, for it is very seldom they get a look-in.

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On March 19th, at the parlors of the Adams Hotel, in Phoenix, Arizona, a large number of prominent citizens joined together and formed the Arizona Kennel Club, with headquarters in Phoenix, Maricopa county. The following officers were elected to serve during the year 1916: President, W. B. Twitchell; first vice-president, P. C. Adams; second vice-president, Edward Wooster; treasurer, Franc DeSousa; secretary, Joe M. Murphy; detective, Dr. A. N. Gurley, veterinarian. It is the intention of the club to give the first show, under A. K. C. rules and license, and have the following dates: November 14 to 17, running the same in connection with the Arizona State Fair, during fair week. Prizes will consist of money, cups, premiums and ribbons as well as other specials, and preparation will be made to bench at least 250 dogs.

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Wheatland (Yuba Co.).—Will Harrison caught a sturgeon weighing 172 pounds and seven feet long in the Bear River near this city.

Washington State Shoot.—The Interstate amateur championship of Washington was annexed at the Seattle trapshooting grounds on May 23d by Frank Troeh, who broke 97 out of 100. C. E. McKelvey was second with 94, R. S. Searle third with 92, and F. B. Rice was fourth with 92, also these two men winning their position in the shootoff; J. A. Dague fifth with 91, Charles O'Connor sixth, and J. H. Hulbert seventh, with scores of 90, these men also winning their positions by a shootoff.

The high amateurs in the two-days' program of the State tourney, out of 300 targets, were Frank Troeh, who totaled 284, first; Frank Templeton, 278, second; P. J. O'Brien, 275, third; Guy Egbers, 273, fourth; R. S. Searle, 271, fifth; and Hugh McElroy, 270, sixth.

The professionals for the two days' shooting, 300 targets: First, Hugh Poston, 278; second, L. H. Reid, 285; third, F. C. Riehl and P. J. Holohan, 276, and fourth, F. A. Dryden, 274.

The "long runs" registered throughout the shoot were as follows: Hugh Poston, 61-54; F. M. Troeh, 66-64; P. J. O'Brien, 62; M. Siddall, 52; F. C. Riehl, 53; L. H. Reid, 51-68; P. J. Holohan, 52.

Perhaps the most interest of the day was attached to the two 25-target handicaps for the possession of the Smith gun trophy and the Rainier trophy. Ralph Kinzer won in the Smith gun event, with a straight 25. Kinzer and W. C. Smith tied with 24 in the event for the Rainier trophy and in the shootoff Kinzer came out the winner, he now holding both of these trophies.

The scores, May 23, 100 targets:—

Frank Troeh 97, P. H. O'Brien 95, Mark Siddall 04, C. E. McKelvey 94, James Seavey 93, R. S. Searle 92, J. E. Rice 92, J. A. Dague 91, F. Templeton 91, Hugh Fleming 90, Charles O'Connor 90, J. H. Hulbert 90, J. B. Adams 89, W. H. Carstens 89, G. C. Gregory 88, Guy Egbers 88, Hi Follrich 88, John Ruppe 87, C. E. Owens 87, Hugh McElroy 87, W. B. Taft 87, John Kienast 86, G. A. Conklin 86, E. K. Van Vleck 86, Fred Call 85, D. H. Bales 85, W. C. Smith 84, A. W. Strowger 84, V. Eisenbeis 84, D. W. Fleet 84, Matt Grossman 83, Mrs. A. Schilling 83, C. E. MacLean 83, R. H. Miller 82, E. A. Werlick 82, W. R. Smith 82, G. B. Joslin 82, Jack Converse 81, Deskin Reid 80, A. Riehl 80, F. Campbell 79, J. Cooper 79, J. T. Templeton 79, L. S. Barnes 78, Fred Landwehr 77, James Thompson 75, A. H. Gilchrist 68, C. L. Templeton 40.

Professionals—L. H. Reid 99, P. J. Holohan 94, F. A. Dryden 94, Hugh Poston 93, F. C. Riehl 90, Geo. Hambright 89, D. Rhodes 85.

At 50 targets—Amateurs: Hugh Fleming 48, G. C. Gregory 48, F. M. Troeh 47, Mrs. Ada Schilling 47, R. S. Searle 47, Guy Egbers 47, J. H. Hulbert 47, John Ruppe 46, Mark Siddall 46, V. Eisenbeis 46, F. Templeton 46, Hugh McElroy 46, Fred Call 45, C. E. McKelvey 45, Charles O'Conner 45, R. H. Miller 45 C. E. MacLean 45, James Seavey 44, E. A. Werlick 44, J. E. Rice 44, P. H. O'Brien 43, J. A. Dague 43, L. S. Barnes 43, E. K. Van Vleck 43, Ralph Kinzer 42, C. E. Owens 42, James Thompson 42, G. A. Conklin 42, Hi Follrich 42, A. W. Strowger 41, John Kienast 41, J. B. Adams 41, G. B. Joslin 41, W. C. Smith 40, D. W. Fleet 40, Deskin Reid 39, Fred Landwehr 39, D. H. Bales 39, W. R. Smith 39, W. H. Carsten 39, J. Cooper 38, J. H. Templeton 38, Matt Grossman 37, A. Riehl 37, F. Campbell 36, J. H. Hopkins 36, G. M. Valentine 36, J. A. Dafter 36, W. B. Taft 35, C. L. Templeton 35, A. H. Gilchrist 33, J. C. McBride 33.

Professionals—Hugh Poston 49, L. H. Reid 46, Geo. Mambright 45, P. J. Holohan 45, F. C. Riehl 44, F. A. Dryden 43, D. Rhodes 40.

25-target Three-Man Team Roce—Spokane: O'Conner 19, McElroy 25, Gregory 21; total, 65. Seattle—Kinzer 20, Miller 22, Landwehr 23; total, 65. Seattle—McKelvey 19, Fleming 24, Searle 21; total, 64. Seattle—Gordon 22, Converse 23, Hopkins 19; total, 64. Green Lake—Conklin 22, Barnes 24, Van Vleck 22; total, 68. Portland—Seavey 23, O'Brien 24, Templeton 23; total, 70.

Scores, May 22, 150 targets:—

F. Templeton 147, F. M. Troeh 140, Guy Egbers 138, P. H. O'Brien 137, Hugh McElroy 137, John Ruppe 133, R. S. Searle 132, Ralph Kinzer 131, C. E. Owens 131, C. E. McKelvey 130, J. H. Hulbert 130, V. Eisenbeis 128, G. C. Gregory 128, Mrs. Ada Schilling 127, D. W. Fleet 127, George Miller 126, W. R. Smith 125, John E. Rice 125, Fred Call 124, Hugh Fleming 124, R. H. Miller 124, W. C. Smith 123, Mark Siddall 123, J. B. Adams 123, L. S. Barnes 123, C. E. MacLean 123, John Kienast 122, G. A. Conklin 122, G. B. Joslin 120, Matt Grossman 119, Deskin Reid 119, J. W. Seavey 117, J. A. Dague 117, W. B. Taft 117, F. Campbell 116, James Thompson 115, H. W. Sprattley 113, Fred Landwehr 113, E. A. Werlick 112, A. W. Strowger 109, D. Bales 107, Charles O'Conner 107, J. H. Hopkins 106, G. M. Valentine 104, A. Riehl 99.

Professionals—Hugh Poston 145, F. C. Riehl 142, L. H. Reid 140, P. J. Holohan 137, F. A. Dryden 137, George Hambright 126, D. Rhodes 119.

Dr. C. L. Templeton and J. B. Templeton did not shoot the full program.

The Smith Gun and Rainier Trophy Events—

	Hdcp.	Smith Trophy	Rainier Trophy
Hugh Poston*	22	19	21
Ralph Kinzer	16	25	24
Geo. Hambright*	19	14	21
W. C. Smith	16	22	24
Matt Grossman	16	19	20
Fred Call	18	22	21
Deskin Reid	16	22	21
Fred Landwehr	16	21	23

Fight to Open State's Fishing Streams

— COUNTIES SUPERVISORS DRAW UP RESOLUTIONS —

The following resolution was introduced by supervisor E. H. Kaupp of Siskiyou county and unanimously carried at the annual State convention of County Supervisors at Redding, on May 23-27. It is submitted by the Breeder and Sportsman for the interest of the fishermen of California:—

"Whereas, the streams of the State of California have continuously been stocked with fish for the past 46 years at public expense, and

"Whereas, the will of the people has been expressed in an amendment to the State Constitution, set forth as article I, section 25, adopted in 1910, declaring: 'That the people shall have the right to fish from and upon the public lands of the state and in the waters thereof' and that the state shall not dispose or transfer any of its lands without reserving this right; and

"Whereas, there is in the Political Code of California, Section 4085½, containing a provision giving boards of supervisors the power to declare, 'all or any portion of a slough, river or stream, which does not lie within or run through cultivated land' . . . 'or has not been declared by law to be navigable' . . . 'to be a public highway for the purposes of fishing, provided said stream is stocked in whole or in part with fish by state or count,' and,

"Whereas, it is further provided in said section that in case the owners of the adjacent land will not agree with the county authorities on a satisfactory price, that the county authorities may proceed to acquire public rights of fishing by condemnation as authorized by title VII, part 3 of the Code of Civil Procedure, and,

"Whereas, in this state certain private parties own land within the designation above given and said parties are preventing fishermen from exercising their rights and privileges and certain specific examples of this condition exist on the McCloud River in northern Shasta county, and,

"Whereas, the Shasta County Board of Supervisors, desirous of retaining to the people of the state their right to fish in the McCloud River, have taken the important step of declaring McCloud River a public highway for fishing purposes, and which action may be followed by further proceedings as provided for in the Code, Now therefore be it

"Resolved, That this State Convention of County Supervisors in 6th annual convention assembled at Redding, May 23-27, 1916, declare our belief, that the right of the public to the fish in the streams of the state should forever be maintained, and be it further

"Resolved, That this convention endorses the action of the Board of Supervisors of Shasta county in undertaking to open the waters of the McCloud Fiver to public fishing and we urge all public spirited citizens to support the efforts of the Shasta County Board of Supervisors, and be it further

"Resolved, That we believe it is the right and duty of boards of supervisors to lend their aid and support to every movement undertaken within the constitution and the law, to prevent private individuals, corporations or clubs from securing a monopoly of the fishing privileges of any stream which has been stocked with fish wholly or in part, at public expense."

(Unanimously carried.)

RESOLUTION.

"Whereas, it appears that there is a possibility that the various counties of the State of California may, in invoking section 4085½ of the Political Code become involved in great expense, and

"Whereas, the opening of the streams of any county to public fishing is a matter of benefit to the whole State, therefore be it

"Resolved, That the legislative committee investigate this law with a view of recommending to the next legislature any improvements in the same which might relieve the counties of excessive expense in enforcing same."

(Unanimously carried.)

John Ruppe	19	20	21
L. H. Reid*	22	20	20
P. H. O'Brien	20	21	20
Jas. Seavey	19	21	21
Mark Siddall	21	23	16
A. W. Strowger	16	22	20
C. E. McKelvey	20	16	22
F. M. Troeh	22	22	20
Hugh Fleming	20	21	16
C. E. Owens	18	21	21
A. Riehl	16	20	22
J. A. Dague	19	21	20
F. Templeton	20	24	21
Hugh McElroy	19	20	21
G. C. Gregory	20	22	22
Chas. O'Conner	19	21	19
R. H. Miller	16	22	23
John Kienast	16	17	21
J. B. Adams	18	15	19
Jas. Thompson	16	18	19
W. B. Taft	18	18	19
D. Rhodes*	16	21	23
J. H. Hopkins	16	17	23
L. S. Barnes	16	21	21
D. W. Fleet	16	20	21
G. A. Conklin	18	19	..
Hi Follerich	18	18	..
W. R. Smith	16	..	20
E. K. VanVleck	18	..	23
W. H. Carstens	16	19	..
J. E. Rice	19	20	21
Jack Converse	16	22	22

25-target Handicaps—

	Hdcp.	P. I. Trophy	Spokesman Review Trophy
Hugh Fleming	16	24	22
Matt Grossman	16	20	14
Fred Call	16	21	23
Deskin Reid	16	22	17
Fred Landwehr	16	19	20
J. W. Seavey	16	22	21
Mark Siddall	16	23	24
A. W. Strowger	16	20	20
A. Riehl	16	22	14
J. A. Dague	16	22	21
Chas. O'Conner	16	22	23
R. H. Miller	16	21	23
John Kleinert	16	23	23
J. B. Adams	16	21	19
Jas. Thompson	16	18	23
F. Troeh	21	19	20
F. Templeton	21	22	21
L. H. Reid*	21	21	22
H. Poston*	21	19	21
F. C. Riehl*	21	19	20
W. B. Taft	16	22	21
D. Rhodes*	16	22	23
J. H. Hopkins	16	22	21
L. S. Barnes	16	15	15
A. N. Woodward	16	23	20
P. J. O'Brien	20	22	22
Hugh McElroy	20	20	20
John Ruppe	20	20	19
R. S. Searle	20	19	16
Guy Egbers	20	24	25
C. E. McKelvey	18		

Chas. Owens	18	19	24
G. C. Gregory	18	22	22
Ralph Kinzer	18	20	23
V. Eisenbise	18	20	..
D. W. Fleet	16	19	23
Geo. Miller	16	25	22
J. B. Rice	16	23	20
E. A. Werlick	16	13	16
H. W. Sprattley	16	17	20
G. B. Joslin	16	20	20
G. A. Conklin	16	22	20
C. L. Templeton	16	18	14
J. H. Templeton	16	17	17
J. H. Hulbert	16	20	23

Shark Killed in Bay.—A shovel-nose shark, weighing 172 pounds, was caught in the oyster beds off San Mateo Point last week by Henry L. McKnew, president of the Burlingame Oyster Company, 380 Brannan street. Emil Petersen, foreman of the oyster beds, sighted the big fish as it tried to jump over a low fence in the water. An oyster rake and a lot of pulling finally killed the shark. McKnew claims is to be a record-breaker for San Francisco bay. A large deep-water fish of the stinging species was found lodged in the shark's two-foot mouth.

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Green Lake Club.—While many of the Green Lake members took part in the program at Harbor Island on May 21st to get in trim for the state tournament, quite a bunch found their way out to the northern grounds.

Dr. King again led the field with the splendid score of 49 out of 50, and E. K. Van Vleck finished second with 47 out of his 50. Hi Follrich, after falling down in the first fifty target event, started a straight run in the extra program, breaking 81 without a miss.

The scores—50 targets:—

Dr. King 49, E. K. Van Vleck 47, George B. Baker 45, W. C. Smith 45, Don R. Baker 42, J. W. Geltz 42, Dr. Winningham 42, S. E. Bacon 41, Frank Ulvestad 41, C. C. Ward 41, Fried Pries 39, Hi Follrich 38, Dr. J. F. Hill 38, P. E. Sullivan 36, D. G. Huber 35, W. M. Elliott 34, Howard Cosgrove 33, R. W. Brehm 31, G. D. Horst 31, H. W. Carver 29, P. W. Beal 26, A. W. Leanard 22.

Taft Club.—The 50-bird handicap shoot of the Taft Gun Club, given May 21st, was attended by experts from all parts of the fields, sixteen men competing. W. G. Harris carried away the honors by breaking 49 of the blue rocks out of his 50.

The feature shooting of the day was done by E. Sherwood, the well known driller, who brought down 47 of the pigeons. Sherwood seldom shoots at blue rocks and has had but little practice. He showed at Sunday's shoot that with a little workout he will be able to make some of the experts of the field move some. The shooting was in three flights, 15, 20 and 15. The score:—

McKeon, 16 yards, broke 40; Sherwood, 16—47; McKissick, 16—35; W. Gollman, 16—39; Scott, 16—29; Randolph, 16—36; Hildebrandt, 17—37; Dunn, 18—23; Bontadelli, 18—39; Hall, 18—42; Swigart, 20—42; Harris, 20—49; McDonald, 20—38; Jasper, 18—36; Curtis, 18—34.

Great Two-State shoot at San Jose, Cal.

HEINE PFIRRMAN IS SENSATION IN WINNING TITLE WITH 100 STRAIGHT

One of those wild outbursts of enthusiasm that you have seen take place at a football or baseball game was in evidence about 3 p. m. Wednesday afternoon in a picturesque spot about two miles out of San Jose. The occasion was the crowning of Henry Pfirrmann Jr. of Los Angeles as the California-Nevada state champion. It is seldom that a crowd is stirred up at the traps as on the occasion aforementioned.

"Heine, the flying Dutchman," as he is known to his friends, began the fourth and final day of the tournament in anything but an auspicious manner. He missed one to two birds in each of the five frames that preceded the interstate amateur championship. Heine had also failed to show anything startling on the previous days and when he started out by smashing the first twenty-five it created interest. Then when he got the next twenty-five and the next twenty-five, the beautiful San Jose Club grounds began buzzing with comments.

The final test was slated for number one trap—one that had been causing the crack shots all sorts of trouble. Heine opened as confident and cool as possible and started cracking them to the right and to the left. He was aided by his squad members, consisting of Frank Mellus, Guy Holohan, W. E. Staunton and F. C. Favier. They worked like a clock to render as much assistance for the perfect record as possible. Pfirrmann did not need any help, however, for he was hitting the targets right in the center—and this in the face of bothersome gusts of wind.

When it got down to the last seven or eight birds it was evident that Pfirrmann was working under a strain. He let the targets fly several yards farther out and took pains with his pointing. The spectators were holding their breath for fear he would miss one. Then when the hundredth bird was cracked the cheers ran out and Pfirrmann was surrounded by friends who showered congratulations. Finally he was hoisted on several shoulders and paraded around. It was a wonderful bit of shooting as many of the other star gunners had fallen below their mark on the day because of adverse weather conditions.

It was a sort of repetition of the Pacific Coast Handicap last year at San Diego when Pfirrmann came with a spurt and won the honors by scoring 98 out of a 100 from the 20-yard mark. If Heine also duplicates the shooting when he goes back to the Grand American Handicap at St. Louis in August he will prove a worthy representative of California and Nevada.

Winners of the other interstate trophies were C. H. Nash of San Jose with 96; O. N. Ford of San Jose, 95; A. P. Halliburton of Lindsay, 95; Dr. R. N. Fuller, 94; W. S. Peace of Elko, Nev., 94, and Frank M. Newbert, 94. Frank Mellus of Los Angeles also scored a 94 but lost in the draw for a prize.

It was a grand tournament they had down there. Your humble correspondent counted thirty-five machines inside the San Jose Blue Rock Club grounds on Wednesday and on Sunday, when practice day was held, there was an even greater number. During the tournament approximately 70,000 shells were burned up and as many more blue rocks were used. An average of ovr seventy shooters were out to the traps every day.

High amateur honors for the tournament were divided by W. S. Peace of Elko, Nev. and A. P. Halliburton of Lindsay. Each broke 586 out of the 600 shot at. D. C. Davison of Modesto was third with 558 and H. Lorenson of Newman, W. H. Varien of Pacific Grove and Frank M. Newbert of Sacramento each scored 556.

Among the professionals, R. C. Reed of San Francisco led the way with 571. Guy Holohan of Los Angelos got 552 and M. O. Feudner 551.

The long run of the tourney went to Heine Pfirrmann. He busted eleven before taking the hundred straight and he has an unfinished string of 111.

Other high runs were Charles H. Knight 91, E. Staunton 74, R. C. Reed 64, O. N. Ford 54, H. Lorenson 52, Grant Adams 75, C. H. Nash 64, 62, D. C. Davison 87, A. G. Wilkes 58, A. P. Halliburton 56 and Harry Ogilvie 52, 60.

A pretty and pleasing feature this year was the presence of three fair shots in the competition. Mrs. C. E. Groat of Los Angeles and Mrs. A. G. Wilkes and Miss G. Meyers of San Francisco shot through the program and made creditable showings. They had a pretty race in the championship event of 100 birds. Mrs. Groat won the beautiful trophy set up by O. N. Ford with a score of 86. Mrs. Wilkes was only one behind and Miss Meyers was there with 84.

The amateur championship is shown by events 6, 7, 8 and 9 on the third day in the following complete scores for the three days:—

Events—	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	Ttl
Targets—1st day	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	20	200
2nd day	25	25	25	25	25	25	25	25			200
3rd day	20	20	20	20	20	25	25	25	25		200
T. Prior	17	18	17	19	20	19	19	19	19	16	183
	25	24	23	23	22	24	24	25	..	..	190
	16	20	16	18	20	22	24	21	24	..	181
M. A. Howard	20	19	19	16	11	20	17	18	18	14	178
	21	24	21	25	23	23	23	19	..	..	179
	15	19	20	19	18	19	23	23	19	..	175

B. H. Worthen	19	19	19	19	18	18	18	18	17	19	184
	25	24	23	22	21	20	22	23	..	..	180
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...
A. G. Flickinger	20	19	19	18	18	19	20	18	16	18	185
	23	18	21	23	22	24	23	23	..	..	180
	15	17	19	19	19	21	24	23	24	..	171
R. N. Fuller	19	19	20	16	18	19	18	20	17	19	185
	22	24	24	20	23	25	24	25	..	..	187
	19	19	15	19	19	24	25	23	22	..	185
O. N. Ford	19	18	20	19	17	20	17	19	18	19	186
	25	24	22	23	22	23	25	23	..	..	187
	18	19	20	19	17	25	23	22	25	..	188
C. R. Arques	17	17	19	16	19	19	17	16	17	17	174
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	18	17	19	17	17	22	25	22	24	..	181
R. C. Hogg	17	15	17	20	17	15	16	16	13	15	161
	23	21	20	20	23	19	15	23	..	..	164
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...
R. C. Reed*	19	20	18	20	19	20	20	20	16	19	191
	24	25	23	25	22	23	24	23	..	..	189
	19	20	19	20	19	24	23	23	24	..	191
E. Hoelle	17	19	19	19	18	19	18	20	16	17	182
	20	23	24	23	22	23	22	22	..	..	179
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...
L. S. Hawxhurst*	18	19	19	19	18	18	17	17	16	18	179
	22	25	22	25	20	23	24	24	..	..	185
	20	17	18	19	19	24	25	23	21	..	186
J. W. Considine	16	19	18	17	18	17	16	16	18	15	170
	19	19	22	21	21	22	22	20	..	..	166
	18	18	19	16	14	20	22	25	22	..	174
A. G. Wilkes	18	20	19	18	17	20	17	17	18	18	182
	23	25	24	25	22	24	21	21	..	..	185
	19	18	20	20	18	22	22	22	23	..	184
H. Cline	16	12	17	19	16	13	11	19	14	17	154
	23	20	22	18	22	18	16	22	..	..	161
	13	15	16	16	16	22	20	16	20	..	154
Mrs. A. G. Wilkes	18	15	15	18	16	16	15	14	18	13	158
	20	21	20	20	16	16	19	20	..	..	155
	..	..	..	..	..	21	24	19	20	..	84
W. F. Willett*	17	20	20	19	20	19	19	19	20	19	192
	21	20	23	21	24	24	21	19	..	..	173
	19	17	19	19	16	23	23	19	22	..	177
W. J. Eilert	19	19	18	17	16	18	17	16	17	20	176
	23	22	20	23	20	21	22	23	..	..	174
	14	17	20	17	17	22	24	20	24	..	175
F. K. Burnham	19	20	17	19	17	16	19	18	18	19	182
	23	24	22	22	22	21	22	22	..	..	178
	16	19	19	16	16	23	22	18	22	..	171
H. Havens	15	11	14	16	11	15	15	16	15	16	146
	24	21	23	22	19	22	22	21	..	..	174
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F. Newbert	20	19	20	19	19	20	19	19	19	16	190
	22	17	25	25	20	24	25	25	..	..	182
	18	16	18	19	18	24	25	25	21	..	183
C. H. Nash	18	19	18	19	18	20	16	18	16	17	179
	23	25	24	23	23	25	23	24	..	..	190
	18	20	20	20	17	23	24	25	24	..	191
W. J. McKagney	18	19	18	17	17	17	18	17	17	13	171
	20	21	20	21	16	22	21	24	..	..	169
	15	18	16	16	15	..	..	..	..	..	80
A. M. Barker	19	17	17	18	16	18	17	17	15	17	171
	20	23	23	19	19	23	22	20	..	..	166
	18	19	17	18	17	21	23	25	20	..	178
L. Baumgartner	18	18	19	17	19	16	20	16	17	10	173
	18	16	16	20	21	19	20	22	..	..	152
	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...
G. A. Anderson	18	18	17	15	17	19	19	17	18	16	114
	23	21	22	21	17	20	22	21	..	..	167
	16	16	18	20	17	22	24	21	20	..	177
G. Holohan*	20	18	19	19	19	20	18	20	15	19	187
	24	25	24	21	21	21	25	24	..	..	185
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F. Mellus	19	20	14	18	17	20	17	18	16	18	177
	24	23	21	21	25	23	24	22	..	..	183
	18	19	18	17	20	22	25	24	23	..	186
H. Pfirrmann	19	18	18	19	19	20	17	20	19	17	186
	20	25	22	23	22	24	24	24	..	..	164
	18	19	18	19	19	25	25	25	25	..	193
W. Mullen	15	17	11	20	19	16	14	16	13	15	156
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L. Mellus	20	19	19	19	19	17	18	18	16	17	182
	20	25	22	21	23	23	23	24	..	..	181
	16	20	20	18	14	21	23	25	19	..	176
W. E. Staunton	20	19	17	17	19	16	19	20	20	19	186
	22	24	24	22	24	23	23	25	..	..	187
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H. A. Hine	17	14	18	18	14	17	15	15	12	13	153
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W. E. Innes	11	15	15	14		8	13	13	11	15	11	132
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G. K. Coleman	17	14	14	14	13	16	19	14	17	17	161
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	18	19	20	20	16	18	18	15	17	..	161
H. Ogilvie	17	19	20	15	19	16	20	17	16	20	179
	25	23	25	23	22	21	23	24	..	..	186
	19	18	20	20	20	23	23	25	22	..	190
L. W. Slocum	15	20	15	16	17	19	16	17	17	17	169
	22	23	22	23	22	23	23	22	20	..	177
	19	19	20	18	17	21	19	21	21	..	181
F. T. Hostetter	16	14	17	16	18	16	11	17	16	11	152
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A. P. Halliburton	19	20	19	18	17	20	15	19	17	19	183
	22	25	24	25	23	23	25	24	..	..	191
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C. O. Barieau	19	20	20	19	16	16	19	17	15	17	178
	21	23	25	21	23	24	21	22	..	..	180
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G. E. Oliver*	16	19	15	11	12	14	16	18	16	16	153
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H. M. Williams	20	17	18	13	20	19	18	17	16	19	177
	23	25	24	22	22	21	22	23	..	..	182
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J. P. Haese	16	18	19	19	19	15	16	18	19	20	179
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O. N. Jones*	17	14	16	15	16	17	15	15	15	15	155
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W. S. Peace	19	20	20	20	18	20	14	14	20	17	186
	24	22	24	24	23	25	25	23	..	..	190
	20	18	19	20	19	21	24	25	24	..	190
M. O. Feudner*	19	18	18	19	19	19	19	17	19	17	184
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H. G. Balkwill	19	18	17	18	18	15	18	16	18	19	176
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Geo. Ellis	13	18	16	15	20	16	17	16	20	19	170
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H. Lorensen	19	20	19	18	18	17	19	19	20	20	189
	24	21	23	21	24	25	22	24	..	..	184
	19	19	19	17	19	22	23	23	22	..	183
E. O. Falk	19	16	20	13	15	17	17	19	14	16	166
	25	22	22	23	21	20	24	22	..	..	179
	20	20	18	16	18	24	25	21	23	..	185
D. Davison	19	18	18	18	17	17	20	18	19	18	182
	25	25	24	22	24	25	25	24	..	..	194
	18	20	18	17	17	20	23	25	24	..	182
H. Garrison	16	18	18	15	18	17	15	19	17	15	168
	21	21	23	21	22	23	22	24	..	..	177
	19	15	18	18	15	23	23	21	21	..	173
T. D. Riley	15	18	16	16	17	14	16	18	17	16	167
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G. Adams	19	18	20	15	19	20	18	18	16	19	182
	25	25	25	22	24	25	24	25	..	..	195
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H. Stelling	19	19	19	18	17	17	17	12	16	17	171
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J. A. Cook*	19	19	16	16	13	18	16	18	19	18	172
	20	21	23	18	22	25	21	[illegible]	..	..	170
	15	17	15	18	13	13	16	13	16	18	154
H. D. Blanchard	17	18	15	17	19	18	13	18	17	14	161
	23	22	23	22	21	23	21	23	..	..	178
	17	18	19	18	16	22	23	22	22	..	177
L. M. Packard	17	20	18	17	18	17	18	19	18	181
	20	20	25	25	24	24	22	24	..	..	184
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Mrs. C. E. Groat	17	17	18	18	17	17	16	19	16	17	172
	23	18	21	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	82
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C. E. Groat	20	19	17	18	13	17	18	15	16	16	169
	16	17	22	20	..	..	..	..	..	..	75
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V. A. Rossbach	16	19	14	16	14	17	15	14	17	13	155
	20	22	17	21	21	20	19	19	..	..	159
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H. L. Hinman	19	14	18	16	15	16	19	20	14	17	168
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C. O. Falk	18	15	14	18	9	14	19	15	15	16	153
	16	20	15	19	13	18	24	22	..	..	147
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F. S. Bair	20	19	18	19	15	20	18	19	18	16	182
	24	21	25	23	24	21	24	24	..	..	186
	18	16	14	19	17	17	20	18	16	..	155
H. Rickelfson*	15	14	14	15	15	14	17	15	12	15	146
	19	17	17	18	19	22	21	20	..	..	153
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C. H. Knight*	18	19	20	18	20	20	20	18	18	15	186
	21	23	23	23	24	23	22	24	..	..	183
	17	18	15	20	18	21	22	22	21	..	174
Geo. Stall	18	16	18	19	15	18	16	17	17	11	171
	19	24	24	22	19	21	21	23	..	..	173
	17	18	15	16	16	21	21	24	19	..	167
F. Ruhstaller	18	18	16	19	17	17	11	16	17	17	166
	22	15	19	20	20	20	21	19	..	..	156
	15	14	17	18	15	23	19	23	18	..	162
D. Ruhstaller	19	15	15	20	14	20	17	16	12	13	161
	22	20	23	23	22	21	24	22	..	..	177
	15	17	18	17	18	22	20	[illegible]	23	..	172
W. J. Higgins	17	17	17	16	15	17	17	18	16	15	165
	18	20	16	18	20	21	20	22	..	..	177
	15	16	15	17	18	18	20	17	20	..	156
H. Sargent	15	18	19	17	17	17	14	17	16	16	17	166
	19	21	23	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	82
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F. C. Favier	14	17	16	14	13	16	14	16	16	13	149
	17	21	17	23	22	22	15	19	..	..	156
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R. V. Mathew	11	15	15	18	9	15	8	13	11	12	127
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	15	17	12	14	17	19	19	20	12	..	145

L. Martin	16	17	17	19	17	16	16	16	16	14	164
	24	21	22	20	22	18	21	20	..	..	168
	18	20	17	17	19	20	22	21	19	..	173
R. Ellis*	14	17	19	15	14	14	17	17	16	12	155
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G. Heath*	16	17	16	16	17	17	16	20	19	.	
	22	21	21	24	19	22	19	22	..	..	170
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H. Varien	18	19	20	19	19	18	18	18	19	20	188
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A. Haight*	17	18	17	14	14	18	15	17	14	15	159
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	17	15	17	17	11	19	22	23	20	..	166
McFadden	18	11	19	18	18	19	20	17	16	17	179
	25	22	23	23	20	23	22	21	..	..	179
	17	17	16	14	18	17	19	20	15	..	153
iss G. Meyers	16	16	13	16	15	16	16	14	12	13	147
	14	17	17	16	13	16	19	17	..	..	129
	14	15	16	15	16	23	22	22	18	..	161
C. Pura	18	15	19	16	17	17	17	16	18	16	169
	19	22	19	18	16	21	21	22	..	..	156
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W. Fish	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	...
	20	18	20	24	21	20	23	23	..	..	169
	17	14	16	16	19	17	22	20	19	..	160

Others who did not shoot the full program were: I. C. Peet 172x200, E. C. Stamper 163x200, George Thomas 82x100, W. G. Becktell 165x200, B. F. Smith 7x100, C. McFadden 177x200, T. Hassera 161x200, D. Daniels 86x100, Dr. E. Topham 82x100, J. Plaskett 74x200.

On Sunday, practice day, two important trophies were shot for, both donated by O. N. Ford, manager of the local club. Frank Mellus of Los Angeles won the fifty-target event with 49. Ford himself tied this mark, but on the shoot-off at twenty-five targets Ford missed twice and Mellus but once.

At twenty-five pairs of doubles O. N. Ford won permanent possession of a cup he donated himself by breaking 39. Tony Prior of San Francisco was a close second with 38.

Altogether there were 125 shooters in competition in various events. Guy Holohan was the high professional shot for the day with 144 out of 150 shots. Henry Lorenzen of Newman won the miss-and-out special event with 18 straight. The scores:—

100-bird race, amateurs—O. N. Ford, San Jose, 97; Billie Varien, Pacific Grove, 97; Tony Prior, San Francisco, 95; R. N. Fuller, Tulare, 95; Henry Stelling, San Francisco, 95; N. A. Howard, San Francisco, 94; B. H. Woodworth, San Francisco, 94; R. C. Hogg, Saratoga, 94; H. Lorenzen, Newman, 94; D. C. Davison, Modesto, 93; A. J. Wilkes, San Francisco, 93; Dr. Packard, Los Angeles, 93; H. W. W. Williams, U. S. N., 93; C. H. Nash, San Jose, 93; H. Pfirrmann, Los Angeles, 93; Dr. A. M. Barker, San Jose, 93.

100-bird race, professionals—Guy Holohan, Los Angeles, 97; Fred Willett, San Francisco, 96; L. Hawxhurst, San Francisco, 94; Dick Reed, San Francisco, 93; C. A. Haight, San Francisco, 92.

50-bird race for Ford championship trophy—Frank Mellus, Los Angeles, 49; O. N. Ford, San Jose, 49; Henry Pfirrmann, Los Angeles, 48; Harry Baldwell, Stockton, 47; Ed Staunton, Winnemucca, Nev., 47; E. C. Davison, Modesto, 46; Dave Ruhstaller, Sacramento, 46. Won by Mellus in shoot-off with Ford—Mellus 24 out of 25 and Ford 23 out of 25.

50-bird race, professional—Dick Reed, San Francisco, 47; Fred Willett, San Francisco, 47; Guy Holohan, Los Angeles, 47; L. Hawxhurst, San Francisco, 46; J. A. Cook, San Francisco, 44.

Doubles, 25 pair, for O. N. Ford three-win trophy—O. N. Ford, San Jose, 39; Tony Prior, San Francisco, 38; C. E. Groat, Los Angeles, 38; H. Sargent, Los Angeles, 37; George Ellis, Stockton, 33.

Doubles, 25 pairs, professionals—Dick Reed, San Francisco, 48; L. Hawxhurst, San Francisco, 40; C. H. Knight, San Francisco, 38; Guy Holohan, Los Angeles, 36; George Oliver, Los Angeles, 34.

High average—O. N. Ford, San Jose, 146 out of 150 targets; Billy Varien, Pacific Grove, 142; Frank Mellus, Los Angeles, 142; Tony Prior, San Francisco, 141; Henry Pfirrmann, Los Angeles, 141; H. Stelling, San Francisco, 141; N. A. Howard, San Francisco, 140; D. C. Davison, Modesto, 140.

High average, professionals—Guy Holohan, Los Angeles, 144; Fred Willett, San Francisco, 143; Dick Reed, San Francisco, 140; L. Hawxhurst, San Francisco, 140; J. A. Cook, San Francisco, 135.

Professional miss-and-out race—Dick Reed, San Francisco, 25 birds straight. Second, Otto Feudner, San Francisco.

Amateur miss-and-out race—Henry Lorenzen, Newman, 18 birds straight. Second, H. Hinman, San Jose.

Chehalis Club.—F. M. Troeh of Vancouver, Wash., J. A. Dague of Tacoma, Mark Siddall of Salem, Ore., P. H. O'Brien of Portland, J. W. Seavey of Portland, Hugh Fleming of Seattle, F. Campbell and B. Bales were trophy winners in the second annual shoot held May 20 by the Chehalis Rod and Gun Club at Millett field. Thirty visitors from out of the city participated in the event, which was a splendid success in every way, the only drawback being unfavorable weather conditions. Tacoma, Seattle, Portland and Vancouver were well represented. In the 15-bird events the first was won by Poston of San Francisco, with 144; second, Schneider, 129; third, O'Brien of Portland, 143; fourth, Troeh, Vacouver, 139; fifth, Downs, Chehalis, 133; sixth, Riehl, Tacoma, 138.

Sportsmen's Row

Officers elected by the California-Nevada Association are: George H. Anderson of San Jose, president; Dr. R. N. Fuller of Tulare, vice-president; Clarence A. Haight of San Francisco, secretary-treasurer; H. A. Hine of Eureka, H. Ogilvie of Lindsay, H. Garrison of Modosto, A. G. Flickinger of Vallejo, W. S. Peace of Elko, Nev., and F. Mellus of Los Angeles, directors.

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Just think—three years ago Heine Pfirrmann didn't know the first thing about shooting and now he can bang a 100 straight in a championship event. Heine says all you got to do is to keep practicing.

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O. N. Ford is a popular fellow down in San Jose. There are hundreds of autos named after him.

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Clarence A. Haight handled the office work of the big shoot with his customary thoroughness. Clarence has a crew that knows how to look after the details.

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J. S. French was prominent among those present.

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Toney Prior was not able to show his best. He was troubled with an attack of hay fever and could hardly see the birds, much less bust them.

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John W. Considine broke his trusty gun and was forced to use a strange weapon. It made a difference in his scores.

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W. J. McKagney had his face cut by a bucking gun but gamely shot through the program, although he was in pain every time he pulled the trigger.

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La Salle, Ind., May 25.—With a perfect score of 100, C. G. Burmeister of Chicago won the Interstate championship event at the fortieth tournament of the Illinois State Sportsmen's Association, which closed a three-days' meet here today. Burmeister is thereby entitled to enter the national amateur championship at the Grand American Handicap at St. Louis in August. L. B. Clark, of Chicago, and Chan Powers, Decatur, followed him closely with 99. In the shoot-off for second position, Powers won the honor.

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One pleasing bit of information is given by George B. Nees of the Olympic Club. He has recently returned from Lake Alanor in Plumas county and declares that it is an ideal trout fishing country. He caught some big ones, the largest weighing eight pounds. The weather was a bit cold when he was up there a week ago and perhaps the recent storm has hit there, too.

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The newly organized Galt Gun Club will stage a shoot at Kreeger's Grove, just outside of Galt, on Sunday, June 4th. Refreshments and amusements will be tendered by the club.

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H. H. Ricklefson, who organized the Bay View Gun Club, has been in San Francisco for several weeks past and has been busy greeting old friends. Ricklefson is now a professional, with the Winchester company.

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The deer of the Bangor district are proving too plentiful for owners of young orchards at Oroville. Young trees are being eaten and the tracks of deer about the trees lead to the belief that the destroyers are none other than the big game. Several deer have been seen feeding on the trees. As it is unlawful to shoot the deer at this season of the year, the orchardists are at a loss to know what to do.

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Dr. Peck of Los Angeles, Cal., recently landed what is believed to be the largest trout ever caught in Southern California. The fish weighed nine pounds and twelve ounces and was thirty-six and one-half inches long. Lon Garwood, of the same city, captured a trout which measured thirty inches and weighed seven pounds and nine ounces. Louis Kennedy registered third best with a six-pound trout, measuring twenty-seven inches. All of these big fish were taken from the Ventura River, near the Casitas bridge.

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State Gam Warden Dehart of Montana announces that warrants will be issued for suspects in the slaughter of seventy-three elk in the Yellowstone Park district. The animals were killed for their teeth. A large corps of game warden has been accumulating evidence and some sensational developments are predicted.

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Jacksnipe, it is said, have been very plentiful the past month or so on the marshes in Nebraska, in the vicinity of Omaha, and some shooting on them has been done, notwithstanding that these birds, as well as geese and ducks, are protected in the spring by the Federal migratory bird law.

Tacoma Fly-Casting.—Heavy winds prevented running off the complete program of the Tacoma Bait and Fly Casting Club on May 21 in Point Defiance Park. The high average in one quarter-onuce event, the only one tried in the wind, saw B. B. Perrow win with an average of 101 feet 1 inch. The longest single cast of the day was made by W. J. Bailey with 126 feet. Following are the averages:

B. B. Perrow, 101 feet 1 inch; William J. Bailey, 100 feet 6 inches; R. B. Nason, 96 feet 6 inches; H. J. Nason, 80 feet 10 inches; C. R. Werner, 44 feet; W. L. Richards, 55 feet; D. E. Gilkey, 50 feet 9 inches; R. Hutchinson, 28 feet 4 inches; and Carl Coon, 21 feet.

OREGON GAME COMMISSION ENTERTAINED.

Members of the Oregon State Game and Fish Commission and other Oregon officials were guests of honor at a picnic held at Winchester on May 21st under the auspices of the several sportsmen's organizations of the city. The program included a trapshoot, fishing in the Umpqua River, salmon bake and other entertainment features. The Roseburk Juvenile Bank furnished music for the occasion.

Preceding the picnic the game and fish officials were taken to the North Umpqua River hatchery on a trip of inspection. They will be asked to enlarge the capacity of the hatchery, as well as to establish an auxiliary plant for the propagation of trout. Moving pictures of the festivities were taken by William Finley, State Biologist.

Although there were frequent showers during the day not less than 500 people attended the picnic.

Portland Club.—F. O. Joy surprised himself, friends and relatives on May 21st when he finished the day with 92 per cent, thereby winning high amateur honors at the regular weekly shoot of the Portland Gun Club at Everding Park. This is the highest Joy has ever made. He was high gun over all until E. B. Morris, a professional, scored 94 per cent.

Only one more weekly shoot is on the program before the annual Northwest shoot at the Portland Gun Club grounds, June 4th.

Miss Gladys Reid is in line to win the Imperial Hotel diamond medal. Miss Reid, Al Seguin, J. C. Morris and H. A. Pollock won points on the trophy, and Miss Reid has won enough now to give her a good margin. The tourney for the trophy was finished June 1, and the winner will be in possession of the medal for one year.

Following are the scores made: Abner Blair 90, F. O. Joy 92, E. B. Morris 94, A. L. Zacherison 71, J. S. Crane 57, Al Seguin 82, A. B. Van Arnam 80, J. C. Morris 77, James Reid 88, Miss Gladys Reid 72, A. W. Strowger 71, and H. A. Pollock 86.

Vernon Club.—The George T. Cline handicap shoot was held Sunday at the traps of the Vernon Gun Club and resulted in a tie between Reid and Brawner, each with a score of 48x50. They shot off at 25 birds from their handicaps of 16 and 18 yards respectively. Reid winning his initial leg on the trophy by breaking 22x25 to Brawner's 21x25.

Following the Cline competition, the Wm. H. Hoegee handicap was placed up at 50 birds, yardage handicaps. C. W. Fish, shooting from 16 yards, broke 48x50 and was declared the winner. Following are the complete results:

	Hdcp.	Cline trophy. 50	Hoegee trophy. 50	20-ga. trophy. 25
Manderville	17	45	46	18
S. A. Bruner	19	45	46	21
O. Evans	18	46	47	16
Miller	16	40	..	..
Van Ness	16	36	39	..
A. W. Bruner	16	38	42	14
C. W. Fish	16	46	48	21
C .S. Smith	16	25	30	..
Reid	16	48	36	..
Dierdoff	18	41	47	..
White	18	40	40	..
Meek	18	44	40	..
Bole	18	44	43	..
Braidner	18	48	..	..

Porterville Club.—The Porterville Gun Club held its final handicap shoot of the season Sunday morning at the grounds on the old Cornell race track. George C. Murphy and Earl Martin were the only two to shoot 300 times, the minimum set at the start, and Murphy beating Martin by four birds will be awarded the silver trophy spoon. Murphy broke 266 rocks out of 325 and Martin 292 out of the same number.

The club has had a fairly successful season and next year expects to do still better, as interest here has been growing in trap shooting. The scores:

Dr. S. A. Berber 25x25, Guy Nnupp 97x100, Elmer James 48x50, I. Jay Boothe 47x50, H. D. Blanchard 70x75, H. Eckard 70x75, Geo. Small 93x100, P. M. Scofield 23x25, Richard Hoyt 137x150, Geo. C. Murphy 296x325, James Rohlick 137x150, Earl Martin 292x325, Harry Quinn 111x125, J. L. Mitchell 201x225, H. F. Elliott 66x75, W. E. Sprott 44x50, Howard Estes 131x150, E. S. Lawson 108x125, Harry Casad 151 x175.

Los Angeles Club.—Charlie Nichols, a crack blue rock crusher from the Los Angeles Athletic Club, annexed another diamond scarf pin in the diamond handicap of fifty targets staged Sunday at the Los Angeles Gun Club, by breaking forty-six birds out of the half-century from 20 yards.

Shooters competed on the season trophies following the diamond contest. High score was made by H. E. Sargent, with 49x50.

THE FARM

STOP SPREADING DISEASES.

How often do you clean up the water pans in your hen house? You ought to clean them every day. For a dirty water pan is the surest way of spreading disease throughout your flock.

The best way of handling water in the poultry house is to keep it in a cheap, flat wash basin that can be easily cleaned and refilled. It doesn't pay to bother with patent water tanks. You will have to fill them just as often as the basins, and they are harder to clean up.

Place the open basin on a box some 8 or 10 inches high and perhaps 18 inches square, and make a runway for it. This keeps it from filling up with dirt and straw from the floor and the hens do not climb into it when drinking from it.

Then put the box and basin in a sunny corner of the house away from the roosts and nests, so that no dirt can fall into it from above.

Clean it and refill it with clean, fresh water every day and you will have put thedisease germs to flight indefinitely. —Wisconsin Station.

FEEDING YOUNG PIGS.

It pays to feed the young pigs as much as possible both through their mother and later directly from the trough. Never again will hemake such rapid and cheap gains and it pays to keep him growing as rapidly as possible while young. To this end the sow should be given all the good milk producing feed she will eat. When the pigs are about a month old they will begin to need something in addition to the mother's milk, even though she is well fed.

As soon as the pigs will eat they should have skim milk in a shallow pan. Then a slop made of milk, some shorts, a little bran, and some oil meal or tankage. If this is fed with corn and the pigs are given plenty of exercise there should be no trouble from either thumps or scours. Mix by the weight rather than by measure four parts of corn, four parts of shorts, one part of bran, and one part of tankage. The little pigs should always be fed in a creep of some sort, that is in a small pen into which they come through and which shuts out the sows and larger pigs that would otherwise rob them. As the pigs become older, the amount of corn in the ration may be gradually increased until it has been doubled.

In addition to these methods of feeding which have given good results at the Missouri College of Agriculture, two prime essentials must be kept in mind. The pigs must be in the sunshine and direct light should get into the sleeping quarters to kill disease germs. Plenty of exercise is also important.—L. A. Weaver, Missouri Experiment Station.

FEEDING OF LAMBS.

We all know, from our experiences in handling animals, how susceptible most of the domestic animals are to digestive disturbances from sudden changes of feed, water, and conditions of environment.

While on the range lambs eat the native grasses and have five to ten miles of exercise every day. When they are brought to the feed lots, conditions are all changed; they pile up in the restricted quarters and become overheated. The feed is changed abruptly. The feeder should always bear in mind that when he takes lambs from the natural conditions of the rangs and places them under highly artificial conditions, he is jeopardizing the health of his sheep and the welfare of his enterprise. The first month should be given to seasoning the lambs to their new conditions, and gains should not be expected, says a writer from the Colorado Agricultural College.

The crux of the whole matter is that heavy losses in feed lots are due, not to communicable diseases, but to bad judgment in feeding and handling. For this reason the losses are usually heaviest during the first month, and a change of feed, unwholesome feed, or sudden increase in the amount of feed, will mean more pelts on the fence.

To feed lambs without heavy loss and secure satisfactory gains necessitates eternal vigilance, experience and common sense, and there is no other business that requires more.

ARE ACORN HOGS GOOD?

A correspondent to the Pacific Rural Press desires to know "if it is possible to use acorns at all" in feeding to market hogs, and "what time in the hog's life they may be used without putting the hog on the undesirable list," and receives the following reply:

"As a general thing a hog buyer is so suspicious of a hog which he knows has come from an acorn district that he doesn't want to buy him at all. There are, however, a great many hogs brought of the acorn districts as feeders every year and after two or three months of good grain feeding they pass muster with the butcher. The principle is that they should be grain fed from the beginning along with the acorns to support the acorn fat. An acorn hog is otherwise so soft that it does not make even a medium grade of edible pork. Acorns are a good growing feed for hogs, when grain is fed with them; but the practice of letting the hogs run on acorns alone is surely not a profitable one."

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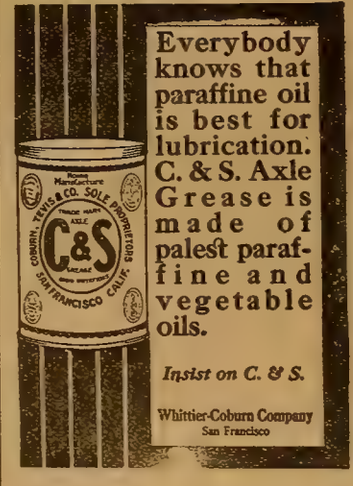
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Half-mile Track

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15

1. 2:14 Pace ..... Purse $400
2. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $400

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16

3. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
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THURSDAY, AUGUST 17

5. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $400
6. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $400

FRIDAY, AUGUST 18

7. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $400
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August 22 to 25
Half-mile Track

TUESDAY, AUGUST 22

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2. 2:14 Trot ..... Purse $400
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4. Run ..... Purse $100

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23

5. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $400
6. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $400
7. Run ..... Purse $100
8. Run ..... Purse $100

THURSDAY, AUGUST 24

9. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
10. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $400
11. Run ..... Purse $100
12. Run ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, AUGUST 25

13. 2:14 Pace ..... Purse $400
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August 29 to September 1
Half-mile Track

TUESDAY, AUGUST 29

1. 2:14 Pace ..... Purse $400
2. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $400
3. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
4. Run, 1 mile ..... Purse $100

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30

5. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
6. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $400
7. Run, 5 furlongs ..... Purse $100
8. Run, 6 furlongs ..... Purse $100

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

9. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $500
10. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $400
11. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
12. Run, 5½ furlongs ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

13. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $400
14. 2:14 Trot ..... Purse $500
15. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
16. Run, Blackfoot Derby, 1 1-16 mi. $200

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September 6 to 9
Half-mile Track

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

1. 2:14 Pace ..... Purse $400
2. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $400
3. Run, ¼ mile ..... Purse $100
4. Run, La Grande Derby, 1 1-16 mi. $200

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

5. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
6. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $400
7. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
8. Run, 6 furlongs ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

9. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $500
10. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $400
11. Run, 3 furlongs ..... Purse $100
12. Run, 5 furlongs ..... Purse $100

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

13. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $400
14. 2:14 Trot ..... Purse $500
15. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
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Baker County Fair Association
September 13 to 16
Half-mile Track

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

1. 2:14 Pace ..... Purse $400
2. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $400
3. Run, ¼ mile ..... Purse $100
4. Run, Baker Derby, 1 1-16 mile. $200

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

5. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
6. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $400
7. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
8. Run, 6 furlongs ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

9. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $500
10. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $400
11. Run, 3 furlongs ..... Purse $100
12. Run, 5 furlongs ..... Purse $100

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

13. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $400
14. 2:14 Trot ..... Purse $500
15. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
16. Run, 1 mile ..... Purse $100

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September 19 to 22
Half-mile Track

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

1. 2:14 Pace ..... Purse $400
2. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $400
3. Run, ¼ mile ..... Purse $100
4. Run, 7 furlongs ..... Purse $100

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

5. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
6. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $400
7. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
8. Run, 6 furlongs ..... Purse $100

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

9. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $400
10. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $400
11. Run, 3 furlongs ..... Purse $100
12. Run, 5 furlongs ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

13. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $400
14. 2:14 Trot ..... Purse $400
15. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
16. Run, 1 mile ..... Purse $100

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BOISE, IDAHO

Gem State Fair
September 25 to 30
Mile Track

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

1. 3-y.-o. Trot (2:30 class)..Purse $300
2. 2:14 Pace ..... Purse $400
3. Run ..... Purse $100
4. Run ..... Purse $100

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

5. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $500
6. 3-y.-o. Pace (2:25 class)..Purse $300
7. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $400
8. Run ..... Purse $100
9. Run ..... Purse $100

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

10. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $500
11. Free-for-All Pace ..... Purse $500
12. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $400
13. Run, Boise Derby, 1⅛ mi. Purse $300
14. Run ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

15. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
16. Free-for-All Trot ..... Purse $500
17. Run ..... Purse $100
18. Run ..... Purse $100

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2. 2:20 Trot ..... Purse $500
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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3

5. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $500
6. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $500
7. ½ Mile Dash ..... Purse $100
8. 1 Mile Dash ..... Purse $125

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

9. 2:30 Trot ..... Purse $500
10. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $500
11. 3-y.-o. Trot or Pace Stake—

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

14. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $500
15. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $500
16. ½ Mile Dash ..... Purse $100
17. ⅞ Mile Dash ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

18. 2:20 Pace ..... Purse $500
19. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $500
20. ⅝ Mile Dash ..... Purse $100
21. ¾ Mile Dash ..... Purse $100

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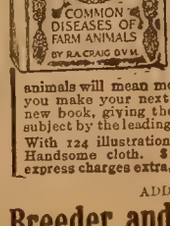
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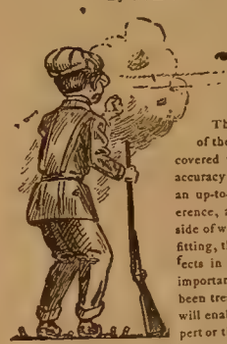
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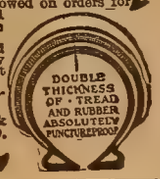
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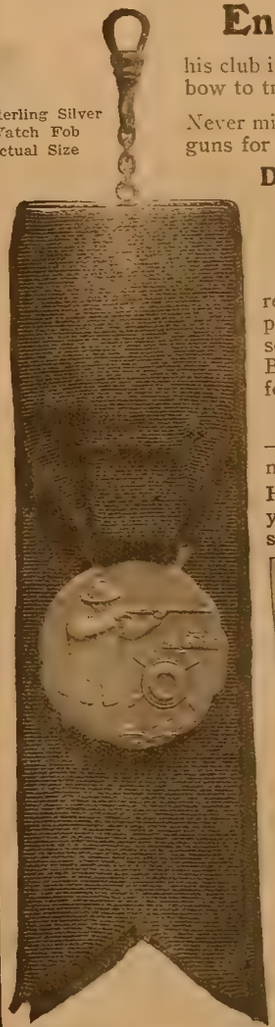
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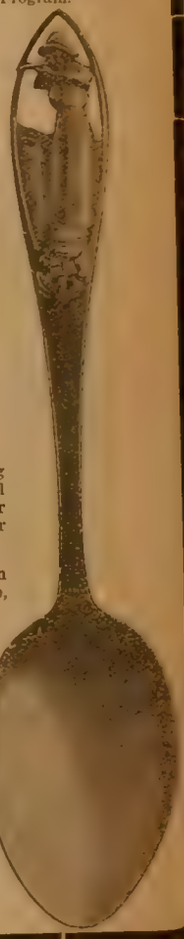
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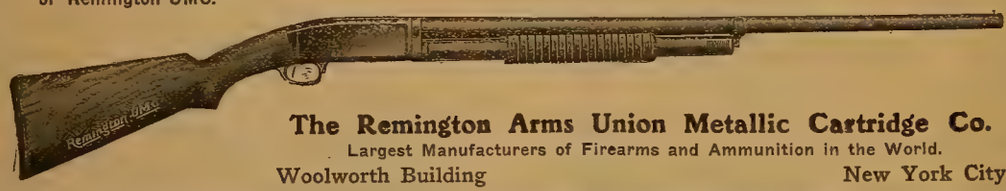
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nterey Co. Fair at Salinas	July 10-11
noma, Marin, Mendocino and Humboldt Fair, (P. C. T. H. B. A. Meeting) at Santa Rosa,	Aug. 9-12
lano Co. Fair at Dixon	Aug. 16-19
lo Co. Fair at Woodland	Aug. 23-26
meda Co. Fair at Pleasanton	Sept. 13-16
ntura Co. Fair at Ventura	Sept. 13-16
mmunity Fair at Ripon	Sept. 15-16
esno Co. Fair at Fresno	Sept. 26-30
gs Co. Fair at Hanford	Oct. 2- 7
rn Co. Fair at Bakersfield (date not fixed).	
verside Co. Fair at Riverside	Oct. 10-14

ARIZONA.

zona State Fair at Phoenix	Nov. 13-18

NORTH PACIFIC FAIR ASSOCIATION.

ncouver, Can., Exhibition at Vancouver	Aug. 14-19
thwest Washington Fair at Chehalis,	Aug. 28-Sept. 2
erstate Fair at Spokane	Sept. 4- 9
ays Harbor Co. Fair at Elma	Sept. 6-10
lla Walla Co. Fair at Walla Walla	Sept. 11-13
shington State Fair at North Yakima	Sept. 18-23
gon State Fair at Salem	Sept. 25-30

INTER-MOUNTAIN FAIR CIRCUIT.

ntpelier, Idaho	August 14
dburg, Idaho	August 21
ckfoot, Idaho	August 28
Grande, Oregon	September 4
ker, Oregon	September 11
tario, Oregon	September 18
se, Idaho	September 25
t Lake, Utah	October 2

GRAND CIRCUIT.

veland, Ohio	July 17-22
troit, Mich.	July 24-29
lamazoo, Mich.	July 31-Aug. 5
and Rapids, Mich.	Aug. 7-12
lumbus, Ohio	Aug. 14-19
veland, Ohio	Aug. 21-26
ughkeepsie, N. Y.	Aug. 28-Sept. 2
rtford, Conn.	Sept. 4- 9
racuse, N. Y.	Sept. 11-16
lumbus, Ohio	Sept. 18-30
xington, Ky.	Oct. 2-14
lanta, Ga.	Oct. 16-21

GREAT WESTERN CIRCUIT.

rth Randall, Ohio	July 17-22
troit, Mich.	July 24-29
oria, Ill.	July 31-Aug. 5
lesburg, Ill.	Aug. 7-12
rlington, Ia.	Aug. 14-19
naha, Neb.	Aug. 21-26
s Moines, Ia.	Aug. 25-31
mline, Minn.	Sept. 4- 9
lwaukee, Wis.	Sept. 11-25
ringfield, Ill.	Sept. 18-22
lalia, Mo.	Sept. 25-30

THE DEMAND for uniform rules in harness racing ems now about to be supplied and by next year all tting and pacing races in the United States should held under rules that are the same from Maine California. The proposition made by President hn C. Welty, of the National Trotting Association, rly this season to President W. P. Ijams, of the erican Trotting Association, for calling a special ngress of the two associations early next December, s been officially accepted by the latter. The purse of this special congress is to select twelve delegates representing each association and the same to t as a joint rule committee whose decision is to enforced by each organization. The committee ll be fully authorized to draft uniform rules to govn the harness turf of the United States, said rules be enforced through the season of 1917 by members. This will be the first time rules have been iform since 1887 when the American Trotting sociation was organized and since which time ere have been two sets of rules to race by. There s long been a desire on the part of all horsemen t the two associations should unite and it begins look as if such a condition will eventually be ought about. "It is a consummation devoutly to wished."

EIGHT PURSES OF $400 EACH are announced by the Kings County Fair Association for its fair at Hanford October 2d to 7th, 1916. The half mile track at Hanford is one of the best on the coast, and there is no better managed or better attended county fair held anywhere. If you want to enjoy some good sport, earn a little money and spend four days in one of the most prosperous and progressive fruit growing sections of California enter your horses in the Kings County Races. Entries will close July 1st.

THE USE OF BANDAGES.

Why are bandages used? If this question is put to the average groom he will not be able to give you an answer. He applies the bandages as soon as the horse comes in from his work on the track or road because he has been taught that this is the proper thing to do. Theo. B. Doll, a veterinarian writing in Rider and Driver says "bandages, if applied in the correct way, are a great help to the horse's legs by keeping them warm until the circulation has become normal after exercise. Cotton should always be used under the bandage as it is the warmth that is needed and not the pressure. When the horse is exercised the rate of circulation is increased to supply oxygen in greater quantities to the tissues. Since oxygen is the fuel that generates strength and drives the animal body in the same way that coal is burned in a steam engine according to the speed the engine is driven, when the horse is rested after exercise the circulation falls back to the same rate that it was before it was taken out of the stable.

"Now if the horse is not in good condition and the heart lacking tone, after severe work the heart takes longer to regain its former strength and the blood is pumped so slowly through the vessels of the extremities of the legs that the fluids filter through the vessel walls into the tissues of the legs, and we then have what the layman calls filled legs. While on the other hand, if warm bandages are applied the circulation is kept up and the blood does not have time to leave deposits in the tissues, so the bandages then are a help in this case by retaining the warmth and helping circulation, until the heart can regain its tone, and perform its office unaided. Filled legs are also due to organic troubles. In these cases bandages are of no service, as the organic disease must be corrected before relief can be given.

"Examine the bandages after they have been put on by the average strapper and you will find that you can hardly get your finger under the tie string. Instead of helping the circulation in this case it is stopping or cutting off the circulation.

"This is just what you would do if you had a cut on the foot that was bleeding; you would bind a bandage round the leg to stop the blood. For this same reason bandages should never be left on over night, as when the horse rests and the legs are bent, undue pressure is brought to bear upon the blood vessels. They should never be left on more than six hours and never at night. Bowed tendons are caused by the tight string of a bandage and many other troubles, but the tight bandage never gets the blame."

NOTICE TO HORSEMEN.

We desire to call the attention of owners and their agents, who enter horses in races, to the fact that many of them are not complying with Rule 25, by giving the name and address of the owner; the name of the sire and dam and the dam's sire, and when written to later, refuse or do not answer inquiries. This not only causes us trouble, but so hampers the compiling of the Year Book that we have concluded to try and stop it.

No penalty will be attached to the first offense, but after that those who do not comply with the rule may expect either to be fined, identification demanded or their entries declared void. So if you wish to avoid trouble you must comply with the rule which reads as follows:

Rule 25.—"All entries must be made in writing, signed by the owner or his agent, the entry shall give the name and address of the owner and if signed by an agent, the name and address of said agent and the name and address of his principal. Also the class to be entered in, the name, record and color of the horse, whether a stallion, gelding or mare, the name of the sire and also the name of the sire of the dam. If unknown it shall be so stated in the entry. If any of these requirements are not complied with the offending party may be fined not less than $5.00 or more than $50.00 for each offense, and if the facts are falsely stated for the purpose of deception, the guilty parties shall be fined, suspended or expelled."

THE AMERICAN TROTTING ASS'N,
W. H. KNIGHT, Secretary.

COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP BECOMES A NEW COMPETITIVE SPORT.

After this, to "make the team" will not be the only way for a student at the University of California to become distinguished. The faculty are going to give him a chance to win distinction by being a good student.

The faculty has just adopted a new system of "Candidacy for Honors." Within the next few weeks the University will announce the names of all those Juniors and Seniors in the College of Letters and Science and the College of Chemistry whose work has been of such excellence as to win them the distinction of designation as "Candidates for Honors." This honor is more than an honor—it is a privilege, too, for these "Candidates for Honors" will be given the opportunity of entering new courses planned expressly for students of marked excellence. Moreover, these "Candidates for Honors" will be given special freedom in the use of the library, laboratories, and museums of the University, and other opportunities that the excellence of their past work has shown them worthy to profit by.

The adoption of this new system of "Candidacy for Honors" is regarded as a frank declaration that the educational theorists are profoundly mistaken who for a generation or more have been preaching that prizes, honors, and scholarship distinctions appeal to unworthy motives.

Of late years there has been intense rivalry among the seventy-two fraternities and house-clubs at the University to excel each other in scholarship. The faculty believes that the adoption of the new system of "Candidacy for Honors" will afford valuable new opportunities for the spirit of competition in good scholarship to come into play, and that the fraternities will strive with one another to have as many as possible of their members win designation as "Candidates for Honors."

The University holds that nothing could be more democratic than the creation of this new intellectual aristocracy within the ranks of the students of the University, for admission to that aristocracy of brains, and to its special opportunities for training, is freely open to every student who has the intelligence, the industry and the strength of will to fight his way into the ranks of the "Candidates for Honors."

The University will regard as the highest type of student the man who can have the distinction of enrollment as a candidate for honors without becoming a "dig," who can share naturally and wholesomely in the athletic and other "activities" of student life, and yet hold to the essential truth that good scholarship is the all-important "college activity."

MATINEE AT HANFORD.

Beyond a doubt the most successful matinee races ever held in this locality were raced Sunday at the Kings County fair grounds when approximately seven hundred enthusiasts were in attendance. Satisfaction was liberally expressed by horsemen and spectators at the manner in which the sport was conducted.

Dr. Watkins, R. F. Thompson and Joe Crawford were the judges. W. B. Dolby, W. R. McKay and Perry Gard recorded the time and Clarence Johnson acted as starter. The summaries:

Free-for-all pace:

J. C. L.	(Leggett)	3	1	1
Mollie	(Gallup)	1	3	3
Firebaugh	(Brollier)	2	2	2

Time—1:05, 1:03¾, 1:04½.

2:25 pace:

Unice Direct	(Leggett)	1	1
Ira Basler	(Perry)	2	2

A half mile dash completed the program.

Respectfully,
MARJORIE AGUIRRE.

SANTA ROSA'S GREAT FESTIVAL.

Santa Rosa invites the State and all within its bounds to come to what is expected to prove one of the most unique pageants ever held in the open air in California. It is to be a forest carnival at the time the district fair and harness race meeting of the Breeders is held there. The festivities will begin August 7 and close August 12. It is proposed to make the days and nights of the carnival filled with pleasure for young and old. In fact, the effort will be put forth to make this Santa Rosa's crowning success in the entertainment line and at the same time show Sonoma county's resourcefulness to the world.

Instead of housing piles of products in an inclosed building with very little to relieve the monotony of the scene, it has been decided to have the exhibits arranged under the leafy canopy furnished by a magnificent grove of trees at the race track and fair grounds. The plans formulated by Ney L. Donovan, C. C. Donovan and Edward K. Brown, the latter the builder of the land show of San Francisco and having charge of the Sonoma county exhibit at the Panama-Pacific Exposition, will result in a novelty that will attract thousands.

It is planned to have a model camp, showing people how to camp in the summer time; a model orchard and vineyard with trees and vines bearing fruits; a model dairy, a model chicken farm, and exhibits of all kinds indicating the soil possibilities. The industries will be exploited and acres of attractions will be seen in this pageant of the forest. There will also be the stock and poultry exhibits, the harness races and all sorts of amusements.

High Class Racing Assured

Entries for Breeders' and State Fair Meetings Are Liberal and of Excellent Quality

Lovers of harness racing will read with much pleasure and satisfaction the splendid showing that has been made by the California owners of trotters and pacers in the lists of entries for the Breeders' meeting to be held during the great Forest Festival at Santa Rosa in August, and the State Fair at Sacramento in September. Not in many years has there been a better prospect of close contests between the fastest and best of our horses and there will be many heats paced below 2:05 and trotted below 2:10, in all probability.

The fact that but three programs had been announced by associations in California up to the time entries closed for the Santa Rosa and Sacramento races, makes the liberal showing all the more remarkable and is proof positive that there are plenty of horses ready to race, and it only remains for a real circuit to be organized and announced to put California on the map as one of the best harness racing states in the Union. The entries received in the races declared filled by the Breeders' Association and the California State Fair are as follows:

P. C. T. H. B. A. at Santa Rosa

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9th.

No. 1—Breeders' Futurity, 3 Y. O. Pace—$1300.
Starters to be named July 31st.

No. 2—2:09 Class Trotting—$900.
Did not fill—Reopened to close Monday, July 3—$500.

No. 3—2:20 Class Pacing—$900.

Directess Mac, bl m by Nearest McKinney—Guydon by Direct. G. Y. Bollinger.
Alta Barnato, b g by Barney Barnato—La Belle Altamont by Altamont. I. L. Borden.
Lennie C., ch g by Lynwood W.—Dollie C. by L. W. Russell. Cannon & Compton.
Bold Harry Aerolite, b h by Aerolite—Cricket by Steinway. Geo. J. Giannini.
Irene D., b m by Charley D.—Lady Irene by Diablo. J. N. Jones.
W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince—Psyche. Kenney & Smith.
Pedlar Direct, b s by Baron Direct—Miss Episode by Pedlar. A. W. Longley.
Star Dillon, b g by Star Pointer—Miss Harris by Sidney Dillon. A. W. Longley.
Lock Logan, br g by Zolock—Effie Logan by Durfee. J. E. Montgomery.
Silver Tips, b g by Morris A.—Ramona K. by Gaviota. C. A. Short.
Dixon Boy, br g by The Patchen Boy—Leota by Diablo. Walter Tryon.
Villa, bl g by Nearest McKinney. D. W. Wallis.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10th.

No. 4—Breeders' Futurity, 2 Y. O. Trot—$1350.
Starters to be named July 31st.

No. 5—2:15 Class Trotting—$900.

Major's By Guy, b h by Major Dillon—By Guy by Guy Wilkes. I. L. Borden.
Pfeister's Lynwood, ch g by Lynwood W.—by Gossiper. Cannon & Compton.
Brutus, b g by Strathway—Minnie C. by Mendocino. S. Christenson.
Bodaker, rn h by Antrim—Birdie by Jay Bird. S. Christenson.
Melrose, b g. S. H. Cowell.
Dick W., b g by Walter Barker—Sue by Athadon. F. W. Faucett.
Bert Kelly, b g by McAdrian—Mountain Girl by Mountain Boy. W. W. Gallup.
Howard's Comet, b g by Teddy Rey—Campaign Mare by Campaign. P. J. Howard.
Miss San Francisco, br m by San Francisco—Burnside by Antrim. Al Schwartz.
Future Tramp, b g by Trampfast—Future Princess Ideal by Chimes. T. D. Sexton.
Eloise Dell, br m by Alconda Jay—Lovely Dell by Prince Lovelace. Chas. F. Silva.
Dr. S., b g by Carlokin—by Guide. Dr. H. J. Stevens.
Zolock Zar, br g by Zolock—by Alcazar. M. Thompson.
Sweet Bow, b m by Bon Voyage—The Silver Bell by Silver Bow. L. H. Todhunter.
El Angelo, b h by The Angelus—Maud Jay C. by Nearest. D. W. Wallis.
Alice W., b f by El Angelo—Sister by Nutwood Wilkes. D. W. Wallis.
Rubell, b m by Del Coronado—by Jas. Madison. S. C. Walton.
Trigione, b g by Skidoo Wilkes—Honda Girl by Cubino. E. S. Wate.
Miss Macklie, b m by Stanford McKinney—Strathalie by Strathway. M. L. Woy.

No. 6—2:10 Class Pacing—$900.
Did not fill. Reopened to close July 3d. $500.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 11th.

No. 7—Breeders' Futurity, 2. Y. O. Pace—$1100.
Starters to be named July 31st.

Nc. 8—Breeders' Futurity, 3 Y. O. Trot—$3300.
Starters to be named July 31st.

No. 9—2:13 Class Pacing—$900.

Bertie Seattle, b m by Prince Seattle—by Tidal Wave. S. S. Bailey.
Mono Ansel, b s by Monocrat—Decoratio by Prince Ansel. Blosser & Finley.
Alta Barnato, b g by Barney Barnato—La Belle Altamont by Altamont. I. L. Borden.
Lennie C., ch g by Lynwood W.—Dollie C. by L. W. Russell. Cannon & Compton.
Mabel Dillon, ch m by Sidney Dillon—Palo Belle by Palo Alto. B. Cohen.
Mountain Dee, b h by Charley D.—Mountain Maid by Rresco. S. H. Cowell.
Chango, b g by Copa de Oro—Lady H. by Del Coronado. W. G. Durfee.
Bradmont, b g by Alto Leyburn—by The Earlmont. Geo. J. Giannini.
Hanover, b g by Hannibal—Princess Pussy by Dexter Prince. J. N. Jones.
W. J. K., b g by Dexter Prince—Psyche. Kenney & Smith.
Pedlar Direct, b s by Baron Direct—Miss Episode by Pedlar. A. W. Longley.
Breezy Marie, b m by Athasham—Breezy Mack by McKinley. A. H. Meigs.
Lock Logan, br g by Zolock—Effie Logan by Durfee. J. E. Montgomery.
Silver Tips, b g by Morris A.—Ramona K. by Gaviota. C. A. Short.
Stanley Quinn, b g by Dan Logan—Lady Arthur by Sir Vaux. Chas. F. Silva.
Julia M., b f by El Angelo—Search Lida by Searchlight. D. W. Wallis.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12th.

No. 10—2:12 Class Trotting—$900.
Did not fill.—Reopened to close July 31st. $500.

No. 11—Free-for-all Class Pacing—$900.

O. U. C., b g by C. The Limit—Rosie Woodburn by Easter Wilkes. S. S. Bailey.
Ben Corbett, Jr., b g by Ben Corbett—Miss Thompson by Thompson. Blosser & Finley.
Vera Hal, b m by Expressive Mac—Carmen by Newsboy. H. Cohen.
Rastus, br g by Liberty Boy—Georgia Rose by Grant's Abdallah. S. H. Cowell.
Leata J., b m by Royal McKinney—Geraldine by Mt. Vernon. J. N. Jones.
Jim Logan, b h by Chas. Derby—Effie Logan by Durfee. J. E. Montgomery.
Teddy Bear, b h by Del Coronado—Queen S. by Sable Wilkes. Chas. F. Silva.
Little Bernice, b m by Del Coronado—Pearl Pointer by Sky Pointer. Jack Welsh.

No. 12—2:20 Class Trotting—$900.

Gracie B., b m by Tom Smith—Miss Gear by Harry Gear. J. J. Bolitho.
Major's By Guy, b h by Major Dillon—By Guy by Guy Wilkes. I. L. Borden.
Pfeister's Lynwood, ch g by Lynwood W.—by Gossiper. Cannon & Compton.
Dick W., b g by Walter Barker—Sue by Athadon. F. W. Faucett.
Ella M. R., b m by Lord Alwin—Excella by Monbells. Geo. J. Giannini.
Peter Queen, b m by Peter the Great—Sonoma Queen by Lynwood W. C. A. Harrison.
Howard's Comet, b g by Teddy Rey—Campaign Mare by Campaign. P. J. Howard.
Mary Osborne, b m by Dexter Derby—by Lynwood. Ed. Lavin.
Lindsay Bell, b m by Bon Voyage—Zomitalia by Zombro. E. McLees.
Miss San Francisco, br m by San Francisco—Burnside by Antrim. Al Schwartz.
Future Tramp, b g by Trampfast—Future Princess Ideal by Chimes. T. D. Sexton.
Eloise Dell, br m by Alconda Jay—Lovely Dell by Prince Lovelace. Chas. F. Silva.
Dr. S., b g by Carlokin—by Guide. Dr. H. J. Stevens.
Zolock Zar, br g by Zolock—by Alcazar. M. Thompson.
El Angelo, b h by The Angelus—Maud Jay C. by Nearest. D. W. Wallis.
Alice W., b f by El Angelo—Sister by Nutwood Wilkes. D. W. Wallis.
Trigione, b g by Skidoo Wilkes—Honda Girl by Cubino. E. S. Wate.

ENTRIES AT CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR, SEPT. 2ND TO 9TH.

Race No. 1—Occident Stake, 3-Year-Old Trotters.
(Closed.

Race No. 2—2:14 Class Pacing—$1,000.

Hanover, J. N. Jones, Stockton.
Irene D., J. N. Jones, Stockton.
Dixon Boy, C. E. Wells, Mayhews, Cal.
Silver Tips, C. A. Short, Santa Maria.
Alta Barnato, I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Best Direct, J. A. Garver, Hanford.
Mabel Dillon, B. Cohen, San Francisco.
Breezy Marie, A. H. Meigs, Fresno.
Bradmont, G. J. Giannini, San Francisco.
Maxine, Miss Maxine Montgomery, Davis.
Pedlar Direct, A. W. Longley, Oakland.
Mono Ansel, Blosser & Finley, Santa Maria.

Race No. 3—State Fair Futurity, 3-Year-Old Pacers.
(Closed.)

Race No. 4—2:30 Class Trot—$1,000.

Gracie B., J. J. Bolitho, Oleander, Cal.
Peter's Queen, C. A. Harrison, Seattle, Wash.
Future Tramp, T. D. Sexton, Oakland.
Miss Macklie, M. L. Woy, Fresno.
Rubell, S. C. Walton, Fresno.
Loma Logan, H. G. Angevine, San Jose.
Miss San Francisco, Al. Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Dr. S., H. J. Stevens, Santa Ana.
Howard's Comet, P. J. Howard, Alameda.
Mary Osborne, Ed. Lavin, Stockton.
El Angelo, D. W. Wallis, Los Banos, Cal.
Alice W., D. W. Wallis, Los Banos.
Melrose, S. H. Cowell, Santa Cruz.
Trigione, E. S. Wate, Santa Maria.
Zolock Zar, M. Thompson, Ventura.
Major's By Guy, I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Peter McKlyo, L. H. Todhunter, Sacramento.
Ella M. R., G. J. Giannini, San Francisco.
Golden State, Blackwell & Hendrickson, Rocklin.
Tom Murphy, Alvin S. Murphy, Santa Ana.

Race No. 5—State Fair Futurity, 3-Year-Old Trotte
(Closed.)

Race No. 6—2:20 Class Pace—$1,000.

Xavier, H. O. Emery.
Hanover, J. N. Jones, Stockton.
Irene D., J. N. Jones, Stockton.
Villa, D. W. Wallis, Los Banos.
Directress Mac, G. Y. Bollinger, San Jose.
Harry Mac, Russell Gray, Hanford.
W. J. K., W. J. Kenney, San Francisco.
Bold Harry Aerolite, G. J. Giannini, San Francis
Lock Logan, J. E. Montgomery, Davis.
Mountain Dee, S. H. Cowell, Santa Cruz.
Silver Tips, C. A. Short, Santa Maria.
Alta Barnato, I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Bertie Seattle, S. S. Bailey, Pleasanton.

Race No. 7—Stanford Stake, 3-Year-Old Pacers.
(Closed.)

Race No. 8—2:15 Class Trot—$1,000.

Eloise Dell, Chas F. Silva, Sacramento.
Major's By Guy, I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Sweet Bow, L. H. Todhunter, Sacramento.
Lindsay Bell, E. McLees, Lindsay.
Dr. S., H. J. Stevens, Santa Ana.
Brutus, S. Christenson, San Francisco.
Bodaker, S. Christenson, San Francisco.
Howard's Comet, P. J. Howard, Alameda.
Dick W., Alvin S. Murphy, Santa Ana.

Race No. 9—Free-for-all Pace—$1,000.

Leata J., J. N. Jones, Stockton.
Little Bernice, J. C. Welsh, San Francisco.
Vera Hal, Harold Cohen, San Francisco.
A. B. C., James Sutherland, Pleasanton.
Jim Logan, J. E. Montgomery, Davis.
Rastus, S. H. Cowell, Santa Cruz.
Teddy Bear, Chas. F. Silva, Sacramento.
O. U. C., S. S. Bailey, Pleasanton.
Ben Corbett, Jr., Blosser & Finley, Santa Maria.

Race No. 10—2:09 Class Trot—$1,000.

Albaloma, S. H. Cowell, Santa Cruz.
Ella Mac, James W. Zibbell, Fresno.
Bonnie Ansel, Alex Brown, Walnut Grove.
Bon Guy, S. S. Bailey, Pleasanton.
Pavana, M. L. Woy, Fresno.
Harold C., Harold Cohen, San Francisco.
Bon Cres, J. J. Campbell, Pasadena.
Bert Kelly, W. W. Gallup, Hanford.
Vallejo King, Thos. Smith, Vallejo.

Race No. 11—Stanford Stake, 3-Year-Old Trotter
(Closed.)

Race No. 12—2:13 Special Pace—$1,000.
(Did Not Fill.)

Race No. 13—2:20 Trot—$1,000.

Gracie B., J. J. Bolitho, Oleander, Cal.
Lindsay Bell, E. McLees, Lindsay.
Future Tramp, T. D. Sexton, Oakland.
Miss Macklie, M. L. Woy, Fresno.
Rubell, S. C. Walton, Fresno.
Jake Logan, H. G. Angevine, San Jose.
Miss San Francisco, Al. Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Ella M. R., G. J. Giannini, San Francisco.
Dr. S., H. J. Stevens, Santa Ana.
Eloise Dell, Chas. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Trigione, S. S. Wate, Santa Maria.
Zolock Zar, M. Thompson, Ventura.
Major's By Guy, I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Peter McKlyo, L. H. Todhunter, Sacramento.
Howard's Comet, P. J. Howard, Alameda.
Mary Osborne, Ed. Lavin, Stockton.
El Angelo, D. W. Wallis, Los Banos.
Alice W., D. W. Wallis, Los Banos.
Golden State, Blackwell & Hendrickson, Rocklin
Tom Murphy, Alvin S. Murphy, Santa Ana.
Dick W., Alvin S. Murphy, Santa Ana.
Ira Mack, Edward Erlanger, Lemoore.

Race No. 14—2:10 Pace—$1,000.

Dixon Boy, C. E. Wells, Mayhews, Cal.
Stanley Quinn, Chas. F. Silva, Sacramento.
Silver Tips, C. A. Short, Santa Maria.
Alta Barnato, I. L. Borden, San Francisco.
Bertie Seattle, S. S. Bailey, Pleasanton.
Della H., H. G. Smith, Pleasanton.
Booze, Jack Lauffer, Sacramento.
Best Direct, J. A. Garver, Terra Bella, Cal.
Soumise, R. L. Friend, Porterville.
A. B. C., James Sutherland, Pleasanton.
Hal J., Al. Schwartz, Pleasanton.
Bold Harry Aerolite, G. J. Giannini, San Francis
Lock Logan, J. E. Montgomery, Davis.
Star Dillon, A. W. Longley, Oakland.
Pointer's Daughter, Blosser & Finley, Santa Ma

Thoroughbred Matters

Reno entries close Tuesday, June 20th. There will be 19 days of racing. One $2500, one $2000, four $1000 and two $500 stakes. See advertisement on page 2.

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Bank the three-year-old for which Geo. Wingfield recently paid $6000, made his first start at Tijuana last Sunday in the Speed Handicap at six furlongs. He finished last. The race was won by Ed Cudihee by six lengths from Harry L., who was two lengths in front of Sangallo. Seven horses started. The time was 1:11 3-5, a new track record, which could have been lowered as the winner came in easily. Bank was the odds on favorite.

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M. L. and Charles Schwartz have purchased the two-year-old colt Sortie from John E. Madden for a price said to be in the neighborhood of $10,000. This youngster is a son of Watercress and Enterprise and was purchased out of the Haggin sale for $4,600.

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A. K. Macomber's good three-year-old Star Hawk may be seen under colors for the first time in the East on the opening day of the Aqueduct session. This imported son of Sunstar is being pointed for the Brooklyn Handicap, one of the most notable of the features on the Metropolitan track.

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Finishing eased up, the Australian mare Carlita won the Champion Stakes for the second time in succession at Melbourne this year, running three miles in 5:22½, which is within a quarter of a second of the Australian record. Messrs. Roger and Rivers, who own the champion mare, are Frenchmen, one of whom is now fighting on the western front. They paid $625 for Carlita as a yearling, and have won more than $75,000 with her in stakes.

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The Kentucky Oaks for three-year-olds, the feature for the closing day at the Churchill Downs track, Louisville, Ky., was won by Geo. J. Long's Kathleen, ten lengths in front of Mandy Hamilton, which was second. Kathleen is by Sempronius—Boema.

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Racing Calendar for May contains a list of 357 thoroughbreds imported in 1915 and 1916. Obviously this is a contingent sufficient to cut a big figure in American racing and breeding. The horses six years old and over are nearly all broodmares and stallions for stud service and are forty-six in number. In the racing forces there are now fifty-nine three-year-olds and 160 two-year-olds. There are also fifty-nine yearlings. No less than eighty-five mares that were in foal when they arrived, have been nominated in the futurity for foals of 1918.

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The thoroughbred Iron Grey, son of Andover, was recently imported from England for the Nordix Club of Warrentown, Virginia, and will be used to sire horses for cross country riding. Iron Grey is 16.1 hands and a horse of powerful build.

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The Juvenile Stakes, having a value of $5,000, was won by August Belmont's imported two-year-old Courtless at Belmont Park last week. Mr. Belmont owned the colt in France and brought him to this country as a yearling. His sire is Negofol, winner of the French Derby and his dam Hour Glass 2nd. Negofol is by Childwick, he by St. Simon. Hour Glass 2nd is by Rock Sand.

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Early Wright, who reached Tijuana with the Wingfield horses last week, says there are many eastern horsemen talking of moving to Tijuana. John W. Schorr and Baker Brothers have applied for twenty stalls each.

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Col. Phil Chinn has purchased from Emil Herz the black horse Black Pine, 6, by Rock Sand, dam imp. Black Poplar by Petronel, second dam Mettle by Surnaby, third dam by Cymbal, fourth dam by The Earl. Black Pine is a grand individual, 16 hands, and Col. Chinn will use him as a sire.

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Woodford Clay, one of the best known of Kentucky racing men and horse breeders, died at Louisville suddenly June 1st. Clay, who was 43 years old, together with his brother dealt extensively in thoroughbred horses and was the owner of many high-class performers of the turf at one time or another, most notable of which was Roamer, the champion of last year. He was the son of Colonel E. F. Clay, of the old firm of Woodford & Clay, breeders of some of the best thoroughbreds this country has ever known. He was a graduate of Yale and unmarried. Clay took naturally to the turf after leaving college and during the last few years raced some smart thoroughbreds in Kentucky and over the Eastern circuit. Among other good horses seen under his silks were Lady Amelia, Running Water, Flying Ship, Outcome, Kentucky Beau and Ocean Bound. He took Roamer to New York and disposed of that great little runner for the price of a good selling plater to Andrew Miller. By the time, of course, the gelding's worth had not been proven. Woodford & Clay bred this son of Knight Errant—Rose Tree II. as well as most of the other horses raced by Clay. Clay disposed of Outcome and Ocean Bound several years ago at Saratoga for $30,000.

SIXTEEN THOROUGHBREDS BRING $66,400.

Sixteen thoroughbred horses belonging to the estate of the late H. B. Duryea, which were brought from the Duryea breeding farm in Normandy, France, to New York to be sold brought an average of $4150 per head. Crimper, a big rangy three-year-old, half brother to Banshee, winner of the 1000 Guineas and a number of important races, brought the top price of the sale—$16,500. Crimper has never won a race but has always been well up in all his starts.

Tranby, a bay colt, a full brother to Banshee, brought the next highest price to Crimper. He is by Irish Lad—Frizette, and went to John Sanford for $6,600. A. J. Joyner, who brought the horses over here and knows them well, was a liberal buyer in the interest, it was said, of George D. Widener of Philadelphia. John Sanford, H. K. Knapp, and Schuyler L. Parsons, all members of the Jockey Club, were spirited bidders and purchasers of some of the best of the sale.

Purchasers and prices follow:

Crimper, ch c by Maintenon—Frizette. Ral Parr	$16,500
Tranby, b c by Irish Lad—Frizette. John Sanford	6,600
The Belgian, ch c by Rabelais—Suffragette Ral Parr	5,100
Farce, b f by Rire aux Larmes—Armenia. A. J. Joyner	5,000
Frizzle, ch h by Biniou—Frizette. Oneck Stable	7,500
Medora, b f by Rabelais—Mediant. P. A. Clarke	3,600
Panoche, b c by Irish Lad—St. Inez. S. L. Parsons	3,500
Killadar, b c by Irish Lad—Ascot Belle. A. J. Joyner	3,500
Herodate, ch c by Uncle—Herodia. S. D. Riddle	3,000
Iniskellen, b f by Irish Lad—Zuna. S. L. Parsons	3,000
Muckross, blk c by Irish Lad—Stillwater. A. J. Joyner	2,800
Teetotal, b f by Irish Lad—Teetotum. A. J. Joyner	1,800
Mint Drop, b f by Irish Lad—Mintberia. L. Feustel	1,600
The Minx, b f by Irish Lad—Artless. Quincy Stable	1,100
Censure, b f by Irish Lad—Census. Oneck Stable	1,100
El Dinero, ch c by Uncle—Herodia. Henry Watterson	700

An Australiasian paper reports the death of John Rose ,inventor of most of the starting machines now in use on the Australasian tracks. He was 75 years of age.

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Mr. John Porter, the eminent English trainer, recently celebrated his seventy-eighth birthday at his home, Ormonde House, Newbury. From 1868 to 1902 John Porter trained seven winners of the Derby, eight horses who ran second in the great classic race, and two that ran third in the Blue Ribbon contest. The winners were Bluegown, Shotover, St. Blaise, Ormonde, Sainfoin, Common and Flying Fox; the seconds were Pero Gomez, Paradox, Miguel, La Fleche, Matchbox, Batt, Simon Dale, and William the Third; while the two third-place geters were Orwell and Friar Tuck. Porter's record in the Derby is one of which he is naturally very proud, for he has trained more winners of the Derby than any other trainer in the long history of the British turf.

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The war tax which is imposed on admission tickets to races in Australia and Canada is bringing a large revenue to those governments. There is a tax on betting in New South Wales which is also bringing much money into the war chests. The Sydney Referee, in referring to the matter, says: "For the first three months of the year the ticket tax has returned £15,000, so that something about £60,000 from that source for the current year appears assured. But that will be greatly augmented by the amount which will be jointly contributed by the bookmakers and clubs in connection with license fees. At Randwick, for instance, bookmakers who bet in the paddocks have to pay the Government £50 each, in the Leger £20, and on the flat £5. As there are 140 bookmakers licensed for the paddock, a similar number for the Leger, and 130 for the flat, the total the Government will receive from that source will be £10,450."

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Consuelo II., dam of this year's Kentucky Derby winner, will be sent to Out of Reach this season and it is the hope that another George Smith will be bred. Out of Reach is now the premier stallion at James Butler's East View Farm near Tarrytown, while Mr. Sanford bought Consuelo II. before he purchased his Derby winner. It was the suggestion of Mr. Butler that the mare be sent back to his stallion and this offer was made before the black colt had scored his remarkable triumph. As a matter of fact, George Smith, though an American bred colt, is more of an Englishman than is Star Hawk, the one to finish second to him, though the Macomber colt has to be programmed imported for the reason that he was born abroad. Star Hawk is English enough on the sire side, being by Sunstar, but his dam, Sweet Finch, was American bred and of very stout American lineage, while George Smith is by an imported horse out of an English mare.

FIFINELLA WINS DERBY AND OAKS.

The English Derby the greatest of racing classics, was run at Newmarket May 30th, and was won by the three-year-old filly Fifinella, with Kwang Su second and Nassovian, and English bred colt owned by the American John Sanford of New York, third. The Derby is at a mile and a half. Ten horses started in the race. Fifiinella is owned by Mr. E. Hutton and two days later the same filly won The Oaks, the great classic at a mile and a half for fillies of her age. Fifinella was at 11 to 2 in the Derby and at 8 to 13 in The Oaks. The value of the Derby was about $35,000 this year and The Oaks had a value of of $25,000.

The last time both classics were won by the same horse was in 1908, when Signoretta, owned by Chev. Ginestrolli, won the Derby in such sensational style at the long price of 100 to 1, and repeated the performance two days later in The Oaks.

There can only be one race at less than a mile for three-year-olds and upwards at any of the meetings held in the east under the rules of the Jockey Club. This rule went into effect June 1st.

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The recent meeting at Toronto, Canada, is said to have been the greatest in point of attendance of any meeting ever held there. The betting proved much heavier than the machines could properly handle, and men were at the track as early as 7 a. m. with winning tickets of the previous day, waiting to have them cashed, and although the force of attendants would have been ample under ordinary circumstances they were forced to stand in long lines awaiting their turns with the cashier.

BOOK NOTICES.

We have received from the publishers, The Horse World Co., of Buffalo, N. Y., a copy of "Shoeing and Balancing the Light Harness Horse," from the pen of James Clark who, before he abandoned the forge and anvil for the pen, was one of the most widely known shoers of light harness race horses in this country. Mr. Clark is not only a most skillful shoer, but he is a deep student of the anatomy of the horse's foot and leg and perhaps no other man who has studied the subject possesses greater knowledge regarding corrective treatment for faulty action by restoring the proper balance to the foot and leg which has been neglected or improperly treated, than he, and in this work he has given to those interested in the light harness horse a book that no owner, trainer or shoer can afford to leave out of his library. In his book the author, in language so simple and with instructions so plain that they are easily understood, commences with the foot of the colt and tells how it should be treated and shod to keep the legs in balance; tells hom to treat and shoe the horses that develop the various forms of unsoundness and faults of action which mark the trotter and pacer; tells how to make various kinds of shoes to correct the various faults and gives to horseshoers easily-understood instructions in making various tools needed to make shoes of peculiar design. Drawings of more than fifty shoes of different designs which have been worn by noted Grand Circuit trotters and pacers are reproduced in the handsomely bound book, with full explanation as to the particular purpose for which each shoe is intended. Price of the volume is $1.00 postpaid.

"Diseases of Cattle" is the title of a volume of 550 pages just received from the United States Department of Agriculture, Bureau of Animal Industry. The work is revised from the edition of 1908 and is made up to date in every particular. The changes made consist mainly in a revision of the chapters on diseases of the digestive organs and infectious diseases and a new chapter on animal parasites. The work is intended for the use of the farmer and stock grower. One hundred thousand copies have been printed and parties desiring a copy should write to their Congressman.

The Springfield, Ohio, horse show which opens next Wednesday, will have a special event for the runabout horses Jack Tar and Brother Jed. These two horses are considered among the best in the world in their particular class, and yet they have never met. The president of the Springfield Horse Show Company is offering a silver cup for this event, and it will be one of the headline features of the Springfield show. Jack Tar is a roan gelding that has been undefeated in the middle west and at Denver last January he was in better shape than ever. He is owned by John R. Thompson of Chicago. Brother Jed is a little bay gelding with wonderful speed and action. In the east where he has been shown he has won the blue ribbon every time he has been shown but once. When these two horses meet at Springfield a real contest can be expected. Brother Jed is owned by Walter I. Hanley of Providence, R. I.

Flower Direct 2:00¾ has broken down and will not be raced this year. One of the greatest races ever won by Flower Direct occurred at Detroit two years ago when Directum I. 1:56¾ won the first two heats of the free-for-all pace with Frank Bogash Jr. close up. After finishing well up in third place, Flower Direct won the next three heats. Excellent time was made that day, the time of the heats being 2:03¾, 2:02½, 2:02¾, 2:07, 2:09. Del Rey, Earl Jr., Evelyn W. and Hal B. Jr. also started.

GREATEST IN STATE'S HISTORY.

California State Fair to Outshine All Previous Exhibitions.

California's 1916 State Fair will be bigger, greater and grander than any preceding fair. Not only will the exhibits be more numerous and varied, but the crowds attending the fair from September 2 to 9 will find many improvements in the grounds and a number of new buildings. Other state fairs have been huge successes, but Secretary Charles W. Paine declares that the 1916 fair will eclipse them all.

Preparations are now being made for the fair. From this time on the fair grounds and the buildings will be a scene of activity. Exhibits will begin to arrive in the near future.

Early in August the new $30,000 women's building will be completed. McLean & Peterson, the contractors in charge, are satisfied with the progress that is being made on the new structure. Work on the building started on March 25. The object of the state in providing the building was to make the women attending the state fairs comfortable. On the ground floor of the building will be an extensive rest room. An art exhibit will be on the second floor and in an annex there will be a completely equipped emergency hospital.

One big feature that has pleased thousands in years past will be repeated this year. There will be another locomotive collision. The fair directors are already makin garrangements for the staging of this spectacular event.

Before the state fair opens on September 2 the new $10,000 sewer system, now being installed under the direction of the state engineering department, will be in operation. The main sewers have already been installed and work is now being rushed on the laterals. The sewer will connect with the city mains, immediately south of the grounds.

Within the 50 days, work on the enlarging of the poultry building will be completed. The state engineering department has received bids, McLean & Peterson presenting the lowest offer, $4,586. Within a few days the contract will be awarded and work started. The building must be completed within 50 days.

Five acres on the northern end of the grounds are being leveled and as soon as this work is finished more hog and cattle sheds will be constructed. Secretary Paine says that the hog and cattle exhibits will be the most complete in the history of California. This feature of the big show will outrival the stock display at the Panama-Pacific International Exposition. In years past about 450 head of hogs were usually on display. This year there will be at least 1,000 hogs in the pens.

A number of new herds of cattle will also be on exhibition. Fred W. Keisel and J. M. Johnson, Jr., two of the breeders of Holstein Friesian cattle, will show some of the fancy stock in their herds. Two additional herds of Guernsey and Ayrshire cattle will also be on exhibition. Easton and Ward, horse breeders of Burlingame, have already arranged for their stable accommodations.

Minor improvements are also being made in the interior of the main exhibit building. A handsome room has been fitted up as a meeting place for various horse, hog and cattle-breeding and raising societies which may want to convene during the life of the fair.

Within the next two weeks many counties are expected to apply for space in the exhibit building. A majority of the boards of supervisors throughout the state meet on Monday, and at that time they will take up the matter of granting appropriations through which their counties can install exhibits at the com ing fair.

Those who have not visited the fair grounds for several months will find many new lawns and much new shrubbery in evidence. A number of rough places have been leveled. Instead of the unsightly fence at the entrance there is now an attractive wire fence. The ground has been raised and planted to grass. Rose vines now twine themselves up a majority of the buildings. A wire fence, 1800 feet in length, will replace in front of the grandstand the unsightly wooden fence now there.

WOODLAND WILL HAVE FAIR AND RACES.

Woodland, Cal., June 4.—Yolo County District Fair will be held August 23, 24, 25, 26 at Woodland. It will be an old-fashioned county fair with exhibits of soil products, live stock and races.

The exhibits will be shown down town, in a central location, and the races on the famous old track.

We will again hold races equal to any we have ever had, and will have an exposition far surpassing anything ever seen in Yolo county.

Yours very truly,
H. S. MADDOX, Secretary.

The officers of the association are as follows: A. C. Stevens, president; H. E. Van Norman, vice-president; J. D. Harling, treasurer; H. S. Maddox, secretary; I. H. Gregg, assistant secretary.

Directors: E. A. Bullard, W. H. Gregory, Frank Morris, I. E. Brink, J. A. Murray, G. H. Fish, J. Smith Scott, Emil Kraft and Wm. Gould, all of Woodland; T. G. Schmeiser, Davis; W. O. Russell and F. W. Wilson, Winters; M. H. Stitt, Guinda; T. H. Brock, Esparto; F. B. Edson, Knights Landing; C. A. Minard, Yolo; Wm. Leinberger, Washington; Byron Archer, Madison; John Schlosser, Zamora.

GOOD RACING AT LOCKEFORD'S HALF MILE.

At Lockeford on Friday last there was an old-fashioned picnic, this being an annual event at that place. The farmers and their families gathered from all the country round about, to the number of at least 10,000, and one of the leading amusements for the crowd was horse racing.

The committee advertised two trotting and two pacing races with a half mile dash running race for good measure. The principal feature of the races was the free-for-all pace between the well known circuit pacers Happy Dentist 2:05¼, now owned by J. W. Wakefield of Acampo, Ray o' Light (3) 2:08½, owned by George Need of Galt, and an unknown three-year-old, Billy Bounce by Ray o' Light, owned by Roll Brewster of Galt. In the 2:20 pace he was beaten in 1:18 by Ben Walker, and then came right back and drove out Happy Dentist in 1:06 over the half mile track—flat and of sandy formation.

Happy Dentist holds the state matinee record made at Stockton, in July, 1912, when he beat out Teddy Bear in 2:06¾, 2:07. Ray o' Light was in no condition to pace a fast mile. Going into the air on the back stretch he broke his hobbles and was hopelessly beaten. In the second heat he again went up on the back stretch and came in a bad third. Dan Lieginger, an old-time driver, was again on hand with his pacer Ben Walker and his trotter Prince Mac. Taking them from his farm work for a few days before the races he gave them a few days' of training and at the races he made a good showing and won a little money. The following is the summary:

2:30 pace:

Ben Walker	(Lieginger)	1	1
Billy Bounce	(Brewster)	2	2

Time—1:18, 1:17.

Free-for-all trot:

Too Soon	(George Orr, Galt)	1	1
Peter Scott	(B. Gilham, Acampo)	2	2

Time—1:14, 1:11¼.

Free-for-all pace:

Happy Dentist	(Wakefield)	1	1
Billy Bounce	(Brewster)	2	2
Ray o' Light	(Need)	2	2

Time—1:06, 1:06¾.

2:30 trot:

Prince Mac	(Lieginger)	1	2	1
Ginger	(M. Smithson, Acampo)	2	1	2

Time—1:20, 1:15, 1:14.

Half mile dash, Ted, Grasshoper, Tomatoes. Time, :58½. Ted has won this race four successive years.

The judges of the race were: Starter, Dr. E. J. Weldon, Sacramento; timers, Dr. M. C. Delano, Sacramento, George Orr of Galt and Frank Lieginger of Stockton.

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LAST SUNDAY'S MATINEE.

W. J. K. won a good race at the stadium in Golden Gate Park last Sunday, and if he keeps on improving he will be a hard horse to beat in the races in which he is entered at the Santa Rosa and State Fairs.

James Ryan's Rosie O. also won a good race, defeating Silver Logan and Dibble Wilkes, and Senator H., Joseph Kidd's pacer, won his race in straight heats. The free-for-all trot was declared off. Summaries:

First race—2:20 pace:

Rosey O.	(James J. Ryan)	1	1	
Silver Logan	(O. Dealy)	3	2	
Dibble Wilkes	(S. Benson)	2	3	

Time—1:55½, 1:50.

Second race—2:15 pace:

Senator H.	(J. M. Kidd)	1	1	
Victor Pointer	(D. Keating)	2	2	
Little Jack	(J. M. Kidd)	3	3	

Time—1:42, 1:43.

Third race—Free-for-all pace:

W. J. K.	(W. J. Kenney)	1	3	1
Emma M.	(William Malough)	3	1	2
King Pointer	(H. Campodonico)	2	2	3
Pointer Belle	(J. M. Kidd)	4	4	4

Time—1:40, 1:38½, 1:38½.

Four races are carded for the matinee tomorrow, one of which, the free-for-all pace, will be at mile heats and in which Bradmont, W. J. K., Senator H. and Emma M. will try conclusions. The first two named are entered at Santa Rosa and Sacramento and there is considerable "conversation" as to their relative abilities and also as to how they will class with the horses that are considered too classy to race for fun. Entries for tomorrow are:

First race, 2:20 pace—J. Vermet's Cookey, J. J. Ryan's Rosey O., Dan Healey's Silver Logan, S. Benson's Dibble Wilkes.

Second race, 2:15 pace—Dan Keating's Victor Pointer, Kidd and Luce's Pointer Belle, George Conlan's Little Jack.

Third race, free-for-all pace—George J. Giannini's Bradmont, J. M. Kidd's Senator H., William Malough's Emma M., W. J. Kenney's W. J. K.

Fourth race, free-for-all trot—A. Schwartz's Petrina, J. A. Wilkes' Merrylina, A. Giavonetti's Yoncalla, M. Ford's Minequa.

Racing has started in the middle west over the half mile rings. The big circuits will open at North Randall July 17th, the Grand and the Great Western both starting with this meeting.

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Algier U. 2:16½ by Sidney Dillon, dam Algeciras by St. Vincent, trotted a mile in 2:13¼ on a half mile track handily last month, and the Chicago horse experts think it something remarkable, which it is considering the fact that the race tracks in that locality are only fit for sleigh riding up to about May 1st each year.

ALMADEN D. 2:16¼ IS DEAD.

Word comes that the trotting stallion Almaden D 2:16¼ by Direct 2:05½, dam Rose McKinney 2:2 by McKinney, dropped dead at Echo Lake, Ore gon, on the 10th of April this year, the property o Albert M. Robinson. Almaden D. was bred by Chas Durfee of Oakland and when a two-year-old in 190 won the trotting division of the Pacific Breeders Futurity, value $1250, the Breeders' meeting bein held at Petaluma that year. He won this race i straight heats in 2:25½ and 2:22¼, and it was hi only start that year. The following year Almade started but once and that was in the Occident Stak for three-year-olds at the California State Fair o 1904. This was one of the most severe races eve participated in by three-year-olds, as it went t seven heats and led to the State Board of Agricul ture changing the conditions of the stake so that al non heat winners should go to the stable after thre heats. Almaden won $2,000 for his owner in thi race, and his win was due to the masterly driving o W. G. Durfee, as there were faster colts in the rac than he. The summary of this race will prove inte esting in this connection, and is as follows:

Occident Stake—3-year-old trotters. Value, $3,055:

Almaden, blk c by Direct...(W. G. Durfee) 3-4-3-2-1-1-
Marvin Wilkes, b c by Don Marvin.....
.....(W. Mastin) 1-3-4-1-3-2-
Carlokin, b c by McKinney..(H. Hogoboom) 4-1-1-4-2-3-
Neergard, br f by Neernut.....(Brooks) 2-2-2-3-4-ro
Times—2:18, 2:21½, 2:22¼, 2:23, 2:24½, 2:25¼, 2:28.

Auction pools before the race sold Marvin Wilke $30, Almaden $10, Carlokin $8, and Neergard $6.

Almaden did not start again until 1909 when h was eight years old. Mr. Durfee had sold him then He was raced across the mountains in the middl west and wound up the season at Phoenix, Arizon in November without winning a race. The followin year he started five times and reduced his record t 2:19¼ in a race won at Portland, Oregon, and th next year, 1911, was started a few times but did no win. In 1912 at Seattle, Washington, Almaden D (the suffix having been added to his name to enabl him to be registered) made his last start. He wen to beat his record and lowered it to 2:16¼. He wa then 11 years old. As his death occurred suddenl from a heart affection it is more than probable tha the race he went through as a three-year-old whe he won the Occident Stake affected that organ s that he was never thereafter the same horse, as hi races showed. No gamer horse ever raced than A maden when he won the Occident at Sacramento i 1904. In the stud he never had a very large patro age, yet he is the sire of three trotters with record two of which are in the 2:10 list. They are Albalom 2:08¼, Dean Swift 2:08 and El Bell Maden 2:17.

HORSE SHOW A SUCCESS.

Imagine the best horses you have ever seen, wel driven or ridden on a springy green turf in a wel lighted ring, and you have some idea of the Thir Annual Commencement Horse Show recently held b the agricultural students of the University of Mi souri. The open-air setting, the green backgroun and lights that illuminate perfectly without any tro blesome glare, constitute one of the features tha make this horse show unique. Another is the tot absence of takeouts or disappointments of any kin from the management; but best of all, of course, a the horses drawn from some of the best stables tha compete in horse shows anywhere. Among the fe tures that especially pleased the crowds were th unusually good riding and driving done by the ladie who contested, and the exhibition work of Bell Beach, the famous high school mare owned by Dinl L. Parrish of St. Louis and exhibited by Tom Bas her trainer.

Although the showing was the largest and best i the history of this show, it would have been sti larger had not sickness in the stables kept Mis Long's saddle horses away. Rain the morning of th first day of the show kept away a great many wh were planning to motor to Columbia from near towns but did not interfere with the show itself. number of the classes were so closely contested a to render difficult the decision of even such comp tent judges as C. W. Green of Centralia, Mo.; C. Robertson of Hardinsburg, Ky., and Walter Palmer Ottawa, Ill.

Space forbids listing the winners in all the thirt six classes but the champions and the cups they wo were as follows: Champion road horse, Animatio owned by Miss Loula Long of Kansas City and wi ner of the Columbia Commercial Club trophy; cha pion harness horse, Illustration, also owned by Mi Long and winner of the Board of Curators trophy champion five-gaited saddle horse, Ruth St. Den owned by L. H. Ingram of Little Rock, Arkansas, e hibited by Blades and Holman of Holliday, Missou and winner of the Board of Curators trophy; cha pion three-gaited saddle horse, Johnny Jones, owne by Colonel Paul Brown of St. Louis, exhibited E. D. Moore and winner of the Board of Curato trophy. The exhibitors who won blue ribbons in th various classes included J. T. Davis of Columbi Miss Myrene Houchin of Jefferson City, Colonel Pa Brown of St. Louis, E. F. Reuther of Columbia, Gira Parsons and W. R. Bush of Benson, Vermont, Augu Busch and Adolphus Busch III of St. Louis, Miss J F. G. Burr of Bement, Illinois, J. T. Harris of Colu bia, Frank Harris, Jr., of Columbia, and W. R. Fr ther of Columbia.

Notes and News

Hanford offers eight $400 purses.

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Entries close on Saturday, July 1st.

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The fair will be held October 2nd to 7th.

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Marvin Childs is again training Major By By 2:19¼ at Indianapolis and thinks he will get him to the races this year.

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Several trainers are getting ready to move to Santa Rosa with their horses. The track there is in fine shape.

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The Kentucky Futurity for three-year-old trotters is worth $14,000 this year and that portion of it for two-year-old trotters is worth $5,000.

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That spring fair at Chico netted nearly $5,000, and shows what real energy and enterprise will do. With races the success would have been even greater.

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California horsemen will regret to hear that J. O. "Red" Gerrety is reported by the Chicago papers to be in very poor health.

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Robert Clarkson, J. S. Evans, S. T. Holland, William Ray, E. P. Day and other trainers are working their horses on the new Bellingham, Washington, half mile track.

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June 25th is the date for the opening matinee of the Sonoma Driving Club which will be held at the famous Santa Rosa track. A nice lot of prizes will be hung up for the winners.

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The green pacer Dixon Boy that worked three heats one afternoon inside of 2:10, one of them in 2:06¼, is named in the 2:20 pace at the Breeders' meeting and in the 2:10 pace at the State Fair.

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The Cleveland horseman had the first opportunity to clock a horse in 2:10 this year when Doc Tanner drove C. K. G. Billings' pacer William 1:58½ a mile in that time on June 1st. William is being prepared to lower his record.

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The California horses from Sacramento and Pleasanton arrived at the North Randall track last week in good shape. Lon Daniels had seven in his string, Will DeRyder two, Harry Bell two and C. H. McCarthy one—twelve in all.

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Effie Logan, the dam of Jim Logan 2:01¾, Sir Albert S. 2:03¾, Dan Logan 2:07¼ and Lock Logan 2:07¼ (breeder's record) has not had a foal for the past two or three years but is now at Suisun Stock Farm where she is being bred to Demonio 2:11¼.

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The stallion Inferna, by Diablo, dam Biscari, the famous broodmare by Director, and himself the sire of Inferlotta 2:04¾, is reported to be in fine condition at Lewiston, Idaho, where he is owned by C. D. Crutcher, M. D., of Polson, Montana.

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James J. Hill, the great railroad builder who died May 29th, was a great lover of the trotting horse, owned and bred several and even raced some. He owned Allen 18728, sire of Silva 2:12¼, a trotter that he bred.

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Several horses are in training at Port Townsend. The trainers there are J. M. Thomas, Peter Manson, J. W. Worthington and Howard L. Bill, and they have horses by Diablo, Basil B., Kinney Lou, Duroc Hal, Sonoma Boy and other well known stallions.

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With Santa Rosa, Dixon, Woodland, Sacramento, Pleasanton, Fresno, Hanford, Bakersfield, Riverside and Phoenix in line (as they all are) the pacers and trotters fast enough to win this year should earn their winter oats.

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Only three horses were declared from the North Randall second meeting stakes at second payment time. These are Clara Mack from the 2:07 pace, Belle Stanford from the 2:08 trot and Virginia Humbug from the three-year-old event.

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"Protected all the way to Sacramento by block signals" is one of the many things that make the Oakland, Antioch and Eastern Railway a popular road to travel on. It passes through a most interesting portion of the state beside, reaching Oroville and Marysville by way of Antioch and Sacramento.

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Mr. M. L. Woy of Fresno was in town this week and is still optimistic over harness racing in California. He has named several of his horses at Santa Rosa, Sacramento and Fresno. He is still of the opinion that an organization of horsemen should be formed that will subscribe sufficient money to guarantee associations giving harness meetings against loss and believes it would be easy to raise the money under proper management. As he would be a very liberal subscriber himself his opinion is worth something.

The world's best riders and ropers will be at San Jose during the first week in July when the California Round-Up will be held. It is said entries have already been made from Washington, Oregon, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Arizona and New Mexico.

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The Skagit County fair grounds, at Burlington, Wash., have been enlarged by the purchase of nine acres additional ground and a good half mile race track has been built. The fair to be held this fall will be the sixth, and it is expected to be the most successful yet.

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Plans for the Salinas Rodeo and Big Week have been completed and the annual attraction which draws thousands of people from all parts of the country to the Monterey county seat will be staged July 12th to 16th, inclusive, at the Salinas race track. It is said that $50,000 will be paid in expenses and prizes.

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The Arizona State Fair Commission is preparing a good program of purses for harness races, which will be announced shortly. There will be no early closing purses, but all will close later. A case is now before the Arizona Supreme Court which may be decided so that pari mutuals can be sold on races in Arizona. Secretary Shaughnessy states that Arizona would be glad to participate in a circuit with California and can promise at least four meetings if one can be arranged—at Phoenix, Yuma, Tucson and Prescott.

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Hawley says: The sale of the horses owned by William Simpson & Sons made very little change in the breeding operations of the senior member of the firm, as he bought a majority of the offerings, and these are now at the Kentucky branch of Empire City Farms or at the Lexington track. Robert L. Nash will continue to be in charge of both the breeding and training operations of the New Yorker, and there will be no curtailment in the plans of the owner of two of the greatest sires living, Axworthy and McKinney.

That's a pretty fast bunch that has been entered in the free-for-all pace at the Breeders' Santa Rosa meeting. Jim Logan 2:01¾, Leata J. 2:03, Vera Hal 2:05, Rastus 2:05¼, Teddy Bear 2:06¾, Little Bernice 2:06¼, and Ben Corbett 2:09¼. We would like to see that field enter the home stretch on even terms. There would sure be a horse race to the wire. The same field is entered at Sacramento with the addition of the alphabetical sidewheelers, A. B. C. 2:10¼ and O. U. C. 2:07½.

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Rush & Haile, proprietors of the Suisun Stock Farm, will hold their annual sale of two-year-olds Saturday, July 1st. There are an even dozen head, out of the farm's best producing mares, eight being sired by that royally bred son of Moko, Montbaine 48667, and four by the great speed sire Demonio 2:11¼. As is the rule with Suisun Stock Farm these untried two-year-olds will be sold without reserve and offer an opportunity for those who are looking for highly bred youngsters that are likely to develop into fast pacers or trotters. Catalogues will be out in a few days and next week we will give a list of all these two-year-olds and their breeding. They are all untried and Rush & Haile never sold a colt yet that was not guaranteed to be just as represented. The sale will be held at Suisun as usual.

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If some eastern buyer does not get possession of Geo. Hammett (3) 2:15¼, the son of Nutwood Wilkes 2:16¼ that Charles McCarthy, of Pleasanton, took east in the same car with the Silva string of trotters and pacers, it will be because McCarthy does not want to part with the horse. Geo. Hammett has not been raced since he was a three-year-old, and he is now seven years old. As a three-year-old he won a $750 stake among horses of his age at Pleasanton, beating Albaloma, California B., Tom Kinney and Laura Keyes in 2:15¼ and 2:18½. At Stockton later the champion Wilbur Lou got three heats in 2:10¼, 2:11¾ and 2:12 after Albaloma had won the first two in 2:12 and 2:12½, but Geo. Hammett got third money, his positions in the summary being 4-3-3-2-2 and he showed to be a game race trotter. He has been working nicely at Pleasanton this spring and if he keeps right will make the North Randall railbirds sit up and take notice before long.

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On their records made in their past performances the horses named in the $1000 purse for 2:09 class trotters at the California State Fair this year will be about as evenly matched a field of horses as ever turned for the word. The fastest record held by any of the nine is the 2:08¼ which S. H. Cowell's Albaloma carries opposite his name. He made this record at Santa Rosa in 1914 when he trotted the greatest race of his life, taking three straight heats in 2:08¼, 2:08¾ and 2:09. Bonnie Ansel comes next with a mark of 2:09¼ and Bon Cres 2:10¼ and Pavana 2:10¼ are tied for third place by the records, though they are only a quarter of a second faster than Vallejo King 2:10½ and he a second in front of Ella Mac 2:11½. Then come Bon Guy and Harold C., right close up and nose and nose in 2:11¾ with Bert Kelly last in 2:12¼, only half a second behind them. If the nine horses in this race should each trot the first heat of the Sacramento race in September next exactly at his record it would be a horse race from start to finish and the result depend largely on their positions at the start. It should make a great race.

BRIDGFORD COMPANY'S FIRST ANNUAL SALE.

The next big event in Saddle horsedom will be the first annual auction sale on the evening of Tuesday, June 20th, at the Riding Club, Seventh avenue, San Francisco, of 25 head of saddle bred horses from the breeding farm of the Bridgford Company at Knightsen, California. At the head of this consignment will be the stallion Artist Jr., a son of the great Artist Montrose, winner of the sweepstakes at the Chicago World's Fair in 1893. Artist Jr. was himself a winner at the California State Fair of 1909 when he was a five-year-old, and was first in his class and sweepstakes again in 1910. After the close of that season he met with an accident which prevented him from being shown again, but he has been in the stud and has already proved himself a sire of winners. He is the sire of Acme that was herself a blue ribbon winner and the dam of a winner, and is also the sire of Candy Kid, a winner whose picture adorns the title page of this issue of the Breeder and Sportsman. There are so many of Artist Jr.'s daughters now on the Bridgford Company farm that there will be little use for him in the future if kept there, so it has been decided to offer him for sale. He is a handsome, vigorous horse and his get are all endowed with style and fine action. Dom Pedro, one of his colts, was sold some months ago for $2,000 by the Bridgford Company to the Japanese Association of California and by them presented to the Emperor of Japan at the time of his coronation. Several standard bred mares that the Bridgford Company has been breeding to Artist Jr. and other saddle stallions are in the consignment to be sold and they have foals at foot and have been bred back to the farm's saddle stallions. There are two foals by the Junior Champion of the P. P. I. E. show, Le Grand McDonald, to be sold with their dams. This young stallion is a grand individual and it is the desire of Judge Bridgford to have as many as possible of Le Grand McDonald's get shown at the horse shows in California, consequently he has placed these representatives of his first crop of colts in this sale.

The catalogues of this sale will be out next week and we advise every person interested in high class saddle horses to request the Bridgford Company, 519 California street, San Francisco, to send him one. They will be mailed to you free upon application.

We regret to announce that Dr. W. J. Smyth, Secretary of the Pacific Coast Saddle Horse Breeders' Association, has lost by death his splendid Kentucky saddle mare Peg o' My Heart, that won first prize in the class for mares two years old and under three and also won the Junior Championship for mares at the Panama-Pacific International Horse Show last October. Peg o' My Heart was a very high class mare and was very highly prized by her owner, who will have the sympathy of every person who ever saw this beautiful animal.

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Secretary of the Treasury William G. McAdoo is considered one of the most thorough horsemen in Washington, and rides a good Missouri saddle horse. Mr. McAdoo, it is said, is an excellent judge and in former years officiated at horse shows in an official capacity.

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The mare Candy Kid, whose picture taken last Saturday appears on our title page today, is a daughter of the Bridgeford Co.'s stallion Artist Jr. that is to be sold at the farm's first annual auction, June 20th. Candy Kid is a show ring winner and a fine saddle mare, as well as a splendid roadster at either single or double hitch.

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Princess Charming, a half sister to the successful sire and show horse Astral King, was sold recently to Mrs. Harry Kinnard, of Des Moines, Iowa, for $1750.

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Miss Loula Long, of Kansas City, Mo., who was an extensive exhibitor at the P. P. I. E., will not exhibit her stable of beauties until the fall and winter shows open. This announcement has been made to the management of the Springfield, Ohio, Horse Show, which had hoped to secure Miss Long as one of its exhibitors. The Springfield show opens June 14.

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Society Belle, a nine-year-old mare, with a foal at foot by Bourbon King, was sold recently by E. C. Ward of Newtown, Kentucky, to W. T. Crozier, of Upland, Pa., for $3000. Society Belle is by the great sire Montgomery Chief, and her dam is the show mare Daisy Beatty by Highland. She was quite a good show mare as a yearling, two-year-old and three-year-old and since entering the breeding ranks has proved a good producer. Her daughter Society Favorite was the winner of the big stake at the Blue Grass Fair last August and other prizes, being undefeated at Lexington and Paris, the only places shown, while Society Belle also won the broodmare class at each place.

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John McE. Bowman, of New York, has bred his noted little English thoroughbred saddle mare Sweetbriar, by Collar, to Dr. Thomas G. Ashton's hackney stallion Wynnewood, champion of the last National Horse Show. Mr. Bowman hopes to get a champion saddle horse from the hackney-thoroughbred cross. The mare is one of the most perfect specimens of the thoroughbred saddle type ever seen at American horse shows, while Wynnewood is the only hackney stallion that ever won the championship as a three-year-old at the Madison Square Garden show.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

CELEBRATE FOUNDING OF FIREARMS.

Millions of adult sportsmen the world over—and boys, perhaps, in particular, who are sons of farmers and of blacksmiths—are looking toward the Mohawk Valley this year with a special interest. At Ilion, N. Y., in that historic country of the Leather Stocking Tales, one hundred years ago, a boy of seventeen was working with his father in a little blacksmith shop on the family estate. In the boy's mind had long been a growing yearning for a rifle—the hills about his father's farm were alive with game. On this memorable morning in 1816 the youth plucked up courage to ask his father for money to buy the coveted arm.

All hail the courage of American boyhood—and the traditional conservatism of American fathers!

For the boy's request was refused and right there was laid the foundation of Remington arms!

The boy was Eliphalet Remington, Jr.

In August of this year the people of Ilion village—now a community made up largely of skilled gunsmiths who treasure and are jealous of the Remington story, past and present—will celebrate the making of the first Remington rifle which the boy Remington started immediately upon his father's refusal.

It is familiar history in the valley—told and retold from father to son by many a fireside—how young Remington picked up scrap iron here and there, how by infinite labor he hammered it into a billet on the smithy anvil, how he carried the bar fifteen miles to Utica to have it bored and rifled, and how he finally assembled the complete rifle. It was a well made rifle and there was a demand for more—first among neighbors, then the people of the adjoining counties looked to Ilion for their hunting weapons. Day by day the Remington fame spread until the state and the nation, and finally the whole wide world found the path to the always growing factories for which this farmer-smithy boy genius laid the foundation. Today more than 25,000 workers are making firearms and ammunition which go forth under the Remington name.

So the citizens of Ilion—and Ilion has grown in these hundred years from a cross roads to a thriving town of 10,000 people—have long planned this celebration. There will be a great pilgrimage to the scenes of the early Remington activities. The forge has long since gone—crumbled and rotted and washed away by the years—but on the site, well marked by generations of dwellers in the valley, a commemorative tablet will be placed. And in the village, in the shadow of one of the gigantic Remington arms factories, there will be parades and pageants, speeches and spectacles, games and various other forms of entertainment, all to bring back to the present generation a glimpse of the progress of one hundred years and to emphasize the old adage, "Despise not the day of small things."

Three days, August 29, 30 and 31, are announced as the celebration days by the Ilion Centennial Committee. These will be designated, respectively, as Ilion Day, New York State Day and Industrial Day.

DO GEESE COMMUNICATE?

The Globe of Wellsville, Kansas, is responsible for this interesting anecdote:

Byron Shields is convinced that geese have some method of communication. Out on his farm he has a number of geese which use the same nest in a cattle shed. The other morning two of the geese were on the nest when a turkey hen came along and drove them off the nest, and appropriated it to herself. The geese waddled off, around the shed to where the gander was standing, and in a minute or two the whole bunch of geese, headed by the indignant gander, returned to the nest and the turkey hen. The old gander reached down, nipped the turkey and literally lifted her from her nest, and the two geese took her place . Now if the old gander wasn't told the trouble, why did he came to the aid of his mates?

HAIRLESS DOGS IN MEXICO.

Hairless dogs have never been common, even in Mexico. They have a small patch of hair at the top of the head; otherwise they are absolutely hairless. They are usually about the size of a medium-sized fox-terrier, are good watch dogs, but have bad tempers, especially as they grow old. They resent being touched, yet they are affectionate and will protect their friends to the "last ditch." They do not snap at people but growl chestily, giving due warning that one must attend to one's own affairs. Legend says that the great Axtec chief, Montezuma, had one of these hairless dogs, and that, until Montezuma comes to earth again, some few of this species will wander, awaiting their chief. They certainly resemble the typical Indian character in having tenacity of purpose. This dog is fifteen years of age.—Our Dumb

GOVERNMENT WAR ON COYOTES.

Dr. A. K. Fisher (United States Bureau of Biological Survey): Portions of the country inhabited by wolves and coyotes have been divided by the Biological Survey into nine districts, each in charge of an inspector, who has under him a number of hunters. By careful supervision, the work of these hunters has been made very effective. They are not allowed to receive bounties, and the skins of the animals captured become the property of the Government. A number of sales were carried on throughout the winter and it is estimated that the total amount secured for the skins will be about $5,000. Recently, Congress has made available $75,000 to exterminate coyotes in portions of Nevada, California, Oregon, Idaho and Utah, where they are affected by rabies. To carry on this work effectively, 190 additional hunters have been put in the field, and it is hoped that the disease will be prevented from spreading to the east and south of the present limits.

Illegal Fishing.—Tomas Orgera and Joe Gomez, members of the Watsonville Castilian colony employed by the railroad, were arrested last Saturday by Game Warden J. H. Hill and Sheriff J. J. Croxon and charged with violating the state law by catching fish without a license . They entered a plea of guilty in Judge Agnew's court and were fined $50 each, with an alternative of fifty days in jail. Pending the raising of the money to pay their fines they were locked up in the county jail, but paid their fines and were freed later in the day.

Game Warden Hill states that the two men were fishing in the Pacheco creek, just above the Ausaymas bridge, and had caught four or five trout, a number of pike, carp and suckers, and neither of them were provided with the necessary license. The officers are certain that the two men had been dynamiting the creek, which is a very serious offense, but were unable to secure conclusive evidence of this fact, and therefore preferred the less serious charge against them.

District Forester Redington, of the Albuquerque, N. M., office of the Forest Service, United States Department of Agriculture, announces that requisitions for seventeen consignments of fish fry have gone forward to the Bureau of Fisheries at Washington. The consignments run up to 20,000 fry each and will be used by the forest rangers to restock the fishing waters of the southwestern forests. The varieties will include mountain trout, rainbow trout and black bass. Six different waters, heretofore empty, are to be stocked. Rainbow trout will be placed in Ben Hur Lake on the Carson Forest, in Water Canyon, on the Manzano Forest, in Stewart Lake on the Santa Fe Forest, and in Showlow Creek on the Sitgreaves Forest. Mormon Lake on the Coconino Forest will be stocked with black bass. All these waters, from the fisherman's viewpoint, have heretofore been idle, although apparently well adapted to fish. Mormon Lake, the largest mountain lake in the Southwest and embracing over fifteen square miles of water, will, when once stocked, afford excellent fishing every year for thousands of fishermen.

FOREST RANGERS SURVEY CAMPING SITES.

In anticipation for the demand for summer homes, resorts, and permanent camp sites on the Plumas National Forest, the Forest Service has commenced to survey and map tracts in the Feather River and Gold Lake regions. Lots are to be laid out first in the Feather River Canyon and then about the shores of Crystal, Bear, Long and Silver lakes, for many years famous among sportsmen as some of the best fishing grounds in the State.

These lots will be rented for short or long periods at $5 to $25 a year, and will in many cases be available for occupancy this season. It is expected by the Forest officer that a large proportion of the hundreds of campers who every year travel and camp within the Plumas Forest will be glad to avail themselves of an opportunity to acquire a permanent camp. All parts of the Forest are still open, however, to those who prefer to camp when and where they please.

The Plumas National Forest offers many attractions as a region for summer homes, such as government-built trails, roads, telephone lines, forest fire protection, an abundance of fish and game ,and magnificent scenery.

SNAKES DEATH ON TROUT.

"Swat the snake on every stream," should be the slogan of the trout-seeker wherever sport takes him.

Two anglers returned from the Agua Blanca, agog with the great discovery that snakes eat trout.

This is nothing new to veteran sportsmen; but, as it may be novel to others, all fishermen may feel easy in conscience executing every snake they find along a trout stream. Such snakes eat fish and already have formed the habit. Excepting venomous species, snakes in general are harmless, and most species are even beneficial, but all are bad along the streams, where they early acquire this taste for fish.

Those who never have seen snakes fishing have missed one of the most remarkable natural performances that even the varied life of a trout stream can show. Extending themselves over some shallow side pool they crowd the fish up until awash and then snap at them if small; if good sized, they appear to get a hold upon them, then a hitch around the fish with a tailhold upon a weed or bit of brush, gradually wearing out the fish, and then getting it ashore, upon exactly the same principle that a sportsman exhausts a lusty trout upon light tackle. The common striped snakes will kill small carp in wayside ditches.

WASHINGTON FIELD TRIALS IN SEPTEMBER.

The Washington Field Trial Club desires to announce their 1916 trials. The club has secured a very fine ground for the trials comprising several thousand acres of fine, level, open country with a wealth of birds of several varieties. The trials will begin on September 11th and the duration will depend somewhat upon the entries for the trials. Competent judges will officiate, announcement of these to appear later.

Entry fees are as follows: Open classes, $5 forfeit and $2.50 starting fee. Entry blanks and all particulars may be had by applying to F. E. King, secretary, Box 63, Tacoma, Wash. Entries positively close on August 15th.

The motto of the club is, "The sport and not the purse is the first consideration."

Tacoma, Wash. F. E. KING.

NEWS IN KENNEL CIRCLES.

C. H. Babcock has given up training and handling for the public, and in the future will look after the dogs of U. G. Fleischmann and F. T. Bedford of New York.

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The annual trip to the prairies will soon begin. Garr will locate at his usual quarters, near Denbigh, N. D., and will work his dogs over the All-American course. Eliot, Avent and Gilchrist will be near by, while Grady Smith, Gude and Harris will be just over the line in Manitoba. More of the handlers are going into Canada every season.

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John B. Sanford of Middletown, N. Y., is rumored to have recently offered $5000 for Champion John Proctor, which offer was refused. Mr. Sanford evidently wishes to add field-trials laurels to his recently acquired turf honors. He is the owner of George Smith, recent winner of the Kentucky Derby.

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M. E. Kelling, of Staten Island, N. Y., has purchased the English bulldog Magnet Mayor from Thomas Parvin of Newark. This dog is a massive heavyweight, which was imported from England a year or so ago by Parvin. He is of good quality and a specimen which will do considerable winning for his new owner.

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An Eiglish paper commits the following:

Gentleman: But I am afraid he wouldn't make a good watch dog.

Man (with Bull Terrier): Not a good watch dog! Why, Lor' bless your 'art, it was only last week that this very animal held a burglar down by the throat and beat his brains out with his tail.

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A. E. Grofton, Jr., Tacoma, has bought the Airedale bitch, Ch. Soo Floradora (by Ch. King Oorang), she being one of the two bitches winning their championships on the Pacific coast in the past seven years.

HERE IS A TRAINED FISH WORM.

Wiggling Pete the worm doth lure;
He calls them all to meet;
His master pats him on the back
And that makes Pete repeat.

No protective tariff is required for this industry. Out on the edge of town, Frank Mussard made $850 last year on a fish-worm farm of a half acre. He had trained one worm named Pete, who holds the confidence of the best worm set. Pete crawls around and leads the wriggling crew into a trap. Mussared puts them in cans and sells them to fishermen. Pete is getting more adept every night he works.

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Here's 60-pound Bass.—From Chico comes a story that J. A. Kirk, who had charge of the construction of the new postoffice in that city, while fishing in the Sacramento river near there on Sunday, hooked one of the biggest black bass ever caught in the section. The fight the fish put up nearly landed Kirk in the hands of the undertaker. He was dragged into the water and nearly taken under. Kirk managed to hold to the bass, however, and brought it to Chico for exhibition. It weighed 60 pounds.

We are a bit skeptical about that sixty pounds. The biggest black bass on record in California tipped the beam around 12 pounds. It is likely that Mr. Kirk hooked a striped bass and even so it was some catch.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

Coast Trap-Shooting Titles Are Decided

PACIFIC HANDICAP TOURNAMENT AT PORTLAND IN AUGUST NEXT BIG EVENT

Oakland Elks' Club.—W. H. Price and W. J. Terry were high amateurs on Sunday in the monthly shoot of the Oakland Elks' Club at Alameda. They scored 44 apiece in the 50-target event. Bill Ellis achieved the honor of tying Dick Reed at 45 for the professional honors. There were not many out to the traps as the majority of the bay shooters were recuperating from their operations in the state tournament at San Jose. The Alameda Elks will be at the traps this Sunday. The scores, at 50 targets:—

F. M. Carter 37, C. E. Babb 27, J. A. Pizotti 41, C. A. Merrill 33, D. D. Jones (20-gauge) 28, *R. C. Reed 45, W. J. Terry 44, *W. R. Ellis 45, W. H. Price 44, A. A. Durney 40, *M. O. Feudner 42, *Frank Blum 38, H. Truscott 35, *F. W. F. Moore 40, H. Martine 38, T. W. Smyth 34, T. D. Riley 40.

Railroad Men's Club.—The founding of the Railroad Men's Gun Club took place June 1st on the grounds of the Los Angeles Gun Club with the holding of an opening shoot and the election of officers.

Inasmuch as the shooters, all of whom are railroad men, are called away on duty at all hours of the day, only forty turned out, a small percentage of the club's membership. To date the list shows 215 strong.

A practice contest to help the novices get in trim was staged in the morning with George Keeny hanging up the best tally. He broke 42 out of 50. Otto Younce was the only railroader to brave 100 birds. He broke just one-half of them.

Shortly after noon a meeting was held in the club's headquarters on the grounds and officers elected. E. Stotler was chosen president, Arthur Logue, vice-president; C. M. Herb, treasurer; Walter E. Palmer, the cowboy switchman, secretary, and J. D. Dierdoff field captain. George Keeny, L. R. Spafford, Itto Dawson, J. King, C. M. McCoy and G. L. Kelly were selected as the club's directors

The club was founded by Secretary Palmer, an employe of the Southern Pacific Company.

A handicap shoot at 25 birds was put on for a gun case put up by the William H. Hoegee Company and was won by J. D. Dierdoff with 23 shattered clays out of the quarter century. Spafford was second with 22x25.

Handicap for Hoegee trophy—

	Hdcp.	Broke
Dierdoff	18	23x25
Keeny	18	20x25
J. L. Smith	18	21x25
C. M. Herb	16	20x25
Spafford	16	22x25
Palmer	16	11x25
Dawson	16	11x25
Terry	16	18x25
Younce	16	16x25
Harvey	16	16x25
Cantrell	16	17x25

Practice scores:—Yocum 40x50, F. J. Small 27x50, J. L. Smith 41x50, George Keeny 42x50, Ray Spafford 39x50, E. H. Stotler 25x50, G. L. Kelly 35x50, C. O. Dawson 17x50, Otto Younce 50x100, J. Kalinski 1x25, J. H. Thompson 22x25, W. J. Merrichew 19x25, Dad Smith 9x16, Dan Terry 16x25, Mrs. U. M. Goodwin 6x25, J. A. Warren 18x25, J. E. Clark 11x25, P. L. Clark 20x25, A. F. Harvey 16x25, Walter Palmer 12x25, J. D. Cantrell 17x25.

Team race, at 25 targets: S. P.—Dierdoff 23, Keeny 23, J. L. Smith 23, Spafford 19, Yocum 21—total, 99. P. E.—Kelly 17, Stotler 10, Younce 14, Dawson 8, Herb 16—total, 65.

L. A. Gun Club Shooters' Scores, at 25 targets:—A. W. Bruner 21, Walt Clement 21, Mrs. Pfirrmann 22, Chas. Vories 24, Frank Mellus 50x50, Frank Mellus 49x50, Heine Pfirrmann 25, Fred Grewell 23, R. A. Rossbach 25, Mrs. Groat 22, Dr. Taber 23.

Doubles Shooting:—Heine Pfirrmann 19x25, Frank Mellus 20x25, Fred Grewell 17x25, C. E. Groat 17x25.

Utah State Shoot.—The Utah sportsmen's state shooting tournament came to a close with the report of the last gun on May 31st on the grounds of the Springville Gun Club, where the shoot was held, and the members left the grounds after contesting for the championship of the state.

L. A. Cummings of Salt Lake made the highest general average for the professionals. He broke 210 straight birds, which is said to be one of the most remarkable feats ever accomplished at a shooting tourney. E. J. Morgan of Salt Lake made high score second among the professional shooters. A. P. Bigelow made the highest record for the amateurs, with Fred King of Delta Colo., a close second.

The Browning handicap, the principal event, was won by W. H. Mitchell of Salt Lake. J. Browning of the Ogden club tied him for first place, but Mitchell won in the shoot-off. The first scores were 46 out of 50, and the shoot-off, 44, and 43 out of 50.

In the two-man race Bibelow and Becker of Ogden and Reilley and Moffat of Salt Lake tied for the lead. In the shoot-off the Salt Lake men won the trophy. In the main event Moffat made a score of 46 straight birds.

Never in the history of the state association has the shooting weather been better. The members of the organization are extending much credit for the success of the two-day shoot to J. H. Vance, Jr., of the Springville club, who worked faithfully on the details of the shoot. The score for the 400 targets on the two days follow:

*Cummings 387, *Morgan 371, *Anderson 369, *Hood 360, *Bowman 357, *McGanney 338, Bain 330, Mitchell 345, Bishop 310, Eudey 356, Redley 366, Quayle 348, Cook 338, King 379, Dunn 350, Luff 327, Moffat 364, Cowan 350, Drainey 356, Skeen 357, Becker 363, Bigelow 380, Browning 353, Wightman 288.

*Professionals.

COMING REGISTERED TOURNAMENTS.

California.

Los Angeles, July 3, 4—Vernon Gun Club.

Eureka, July 4—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President.

Oregon.

Portland, Sept. 12, 13, 14—Pacific Coast Handicap.

Washington.

Seattle, July 4—"Old Policy," Green Lake Gun Club, W. C. Smith, Secretary

Tacoma, July 18, 19, 20, 21—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary.

1916 STATE SHOOTING CHAMPIONS.

State.	Name.	Score.
Oklahoma,	J. N. Walker	94x100
Georgia,	H. Brad Timms	98x100
Missouri,	C. B. Eaton	98x100
Mississippi,	F. D. Fitzgerald	99x100
Kansas,	George Grubb	99x100
Pennsylvania,	Allen Heil	100x100
California-Nevada,	H. Pfirrmann	100x100
Oregon,	P. H. O'Brien	98x100
Washington,	Frank Troeh	97x100

Nebraska State Winners.—State and Interstate Championship, Frank Rudat of Columbus, score, 98; won shoot-off with Harry Philson, runner-up, who also broke 98.

Winner Nebraska Handicap Championship, C. C. Tappan, of Gandy, score, 97 out of 100 from 21 yds.

Winner double event, C. C. Tappan, score, 45 out of 50.

High amateur for the meet, Al Koyen, of Fremont.

High professional, Rush Razee.

Seattle Association.—With the most of the members of the Seattle Trapshooters' Association paying honors to the Green Lake Club, outside of those who were resting up after the strenuous tournament week there were only a few shooters who came out to the Harbor Island grounds on May 28th.

Hugh Fleming led the squad with a forty-four out of fifty and ninety-one out of the hundred. "Dok" Hager came out and broke in a new firing stick. A. E. Hall and R. W. Brehm, two recent novices at the sport, were in the bunch and both showed improvement in their form.

A special effort is being made by the club to make ladies and "beginners'" day, slated for June 18, second in importance of the season only to the recent tournament. Every member should report to the secretary any person who may be interested in the "sport alluring." This day will give an opportunity for the shooter just starting out to line up in the squads with shooters of their class. A "beginner" is one who has not shot at more than 500 targets prior to May 1. From that date until the date of the "beginners'" shoot any amount of practicing is permissible. The scores, at 50 targets:

Hugh Fleming 44, W. H. Wilman 36, R. W. Brehm 27, J. R. ("Dok") Hager 21, A. E. Hall 23, G. A. Canuck 41, Van M. Woodaman 32.

At 100 targets—Hugh Fleming 91, W. H. Wilman 73.

Tacoma Club.—The Tacoma Gun Club held its semi-monthly shoot at Manito May 28th. A heavy wind cut the scores down considerably. Dave Bales won the Majestic Cafe trophy after a shoot-off with J. A. Dague. There were four men tied for high average on the L. S. Mellinger medal, but they did not shoot off the tie. L. S. Mellinger won the diamond pin. A. Riehl and A. Z. Smith tied for high average on the Hercules trophy. A. Riehl won the Dupont Powder company trophy. A. Z. Smith won the J. A. Dague challenge trophy. A. Riehl won the White Flyer fob. There were no spoons won, but A. Riehl and J. A. Dague each came within one bird of a spoon.

The following scores were made out of 100 birds for the Majestic Cafe trophy:

	Broke.	Hdcp.	Ttl.
Dague	86	6	92
Bales	86	6	92
A. Riehl	88	3	91
L. Riehl	78	13	91
Smith	68	23	91
Mellinger	70	19	89
Young	68	20	88
Griffin	78	9	87
Baker	59	23	82

The following scores were made out of the 50 birds for the L. S. Mellinger gold medal:

	Broke.	Hdcp.	Ttl.
A. Riehl	46	1	47
Griffin	43	4	47
L. Riehl	43	4	47
Bales	42	5	47
Mellinger	35	11	46
Dague	44	1	45
Young	38	4	42
Baker	34	7	41
Smith	31	10	41

Green Lake Club.—A crowd of forty-two marksmen turned out May 28th at the regular weekly shoot of the Green Lake Club, including six ladies who took part in a special fifteen-target contest.

Some excellent scores were hung up in the regular program, with Hi Follrich, L. S. Barnes and W. H. Carsten shooting a tie for high amateur honors with 46 out of 50, while E. R. Bacon, E. K. VenVleck and W. C. Smith dropped into second place with 45. L. H. Reid and Hugh Poston, professionals, shooting in their usual good form, broke 48 and 47 respectively.

Mrs. M. A. Winningham proved to be the best target smasher among the ladies with 11 out of 15, and second prize went to Mrs. Barnes with a score of 10. Mrs. Conklin and Miss B. Mikklesen tied with 4 and decided the ownership of third and fourth prizes by tossing a coin.

The scores, 50 targets:—

L. H. Reid* 48, H. Poston* 47, Hi Follrich 46, W. H. Carsten 46, L. S. Barnes 46, E. R. Bacon 45, E. K. Van Vleck 45, W. C. Smith 45, W. B. Taft 44, G. A. Conklin 44, S. A. Martin 44, W. M. Easter 44, George H. Young 43, J. W. Geltz 42, R. S. Searle 41, George Edling 41, S. E. Bacon 41, Dr. J. F. Hill 40, J. H. Hopkins 39, Frank Ulvestad 39, M. A. Rosenfield 39, C. C. Ward 38, Fred Pries 37, A. Hansen 37, Dr. A. B. Kidd 36, E. M. Hansen 35, Dr. M. A. Winningham 35, Dr. R. V. Mills 34, C. C. Griffin 32, H. M. Carver 31, A. W. Mathis 30, Dr. S. W. Giffin 30, G. D. Horst 28.

Scores in ladies' event, 15 targets—Mrs. M. A. Winningham 11, Mrs. L. S. Barnes 10, Mrs. G. A. Conklin 4, Miss B. Mikkelsen 4, Mrs. E. Giffin 3, Miss G. Rothe 1.

Dr. King, F. W. Van Vleck and William Spurck did not complete their events in the regular program.

HAIL, HEINE PFIRRMANN!

Aside from the innate pleasure and genuine exultation which come to any of us of normal disposition, after having accomplished a really great feat in any line of sport—there is still an additional sensation which perhaps may be more cherished and more lasting, and that is the absolute knowledge that one's competitors—when of the right mettle—were one and all glad to see us win—provided, they could not land themselves.

The above thought is suggested by the hearty, spontaneous burst of applause that greeted Henry Pfirrmann Jr. at San Jose, California, when he scored one hundred straight targets and at one bound became the recognized official champion of California and Nevada.

The mere fact of scoring that number of targets without a miss, is of itself a most laudable performance; but when it is done under such conditions as a Championship imposes ,then it is doubly as great a feat, for the very essence of the Championship spirit calls into action a far greater strain on the eye, hand and nerves than could occur when shooting for mere cups or prizes, however ardently one might wish to annex them.

As there can be but one bona fide Champion, there can be no division of the honor—and with such an array of talent as California can, and does, muster in almost any kind of outdoor sport, it stands to reason that the going can't be easy when in pursuit of any championship goal.

On this particular occasion Pfirrmann shot in faultless form from start to finish, taking time on all soaring targets but snuffing out the darting ones drifting and curving with the wind. It was a piece of head and hand work that at once stamps him as a strong, heady shooter, and one who has absolute control of his hands and nerves, and all of us who shoot know only too well the part the latter play in any shooting contest where all emotion must be suppressed and the pulse kept beating well within its normal trend.

The writer has seen many and many a spirited contest among the finest shots on earth during the last forty years, and can safely and truly say that even the most reputable old war horse, Bill Crosby, could not in his palmiest day, have worked his head and hands to greater and better advantage than our Heine!

Further deponent sayeth not—for that is the end of the rope. GAUCHO.

Sportsmen's Row

Capt. A. W. DuBray is back from his annual tour. He was up through the northwest and then went to New Orleans and back by way of Texas and New Orleans. The genial captain reports that the trapshooting sport is a bit quiet in the fa rsouth but he has never witnessed more interest than is being displayed this season on the Pacific Coast.

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The Golden Gate Club is booming its Beginners' Shoot on June 25th. Any shooter who has not shot 500 targets up to May 1st is eligible to compete and members are requested to bring out their friends to the traps.

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Some names of the crack shots of the Coast are inscribed on the O. N. Ford championship medal. In 1913 F. Couts won it with 46x50, in 1914 O. N. Ford with 48x50, and R. H. Bungay with 47x50 took the honors, and last season Toney Prior 50x50 and H. Lorenson 49x50 were the king-pins. F. H. Mellus with 49x50 won it at San Jose. It will be up for competition at the big shoot to be held in San Jose in September.

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According to a Sacramento paper, the Monitor Gun Club, which owns one thousand acres of land in Reclamation District No. 1001 near Vernon, has leased two hundred acres of the tract to George Jones of Sacramento county for $15 per acre for a period of ten years and Mr. Jones will plant same to asparagus. The club purchased the land some years ago for a hunting preserve but the same has since been reclaimed at a reclamation cost of $85,000. The original purchase price was about $17 per acre. The members of the club reside in Sacramento.

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George Rice, the intrepid hunter and trapper of the Yorkville section, has been kept busy lately plying his trade in an attempt to clear the ranges of varmints that prey upon the sheep. He has been working for the Yorkville Coyote Club and has made a handsome piece of money by his efforts. In the last few weeks Mr. Rice has trapped 41 wild cats, one eagle and six coyotes. For the wild cats he received $200 each, for the eagle $200, and for the six coyotes $47.50 each. He says that since his work upon the range there have been no reports of any stock killed.

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Grass Valley, May 22.—The rifle club organized here, under the direction of the National Rifle Association, claims to have the oldest crack rifle shot in the state among its membership—Postmaster I. W. Hays. Although 72 years of age, Hays still wins every shooting contest in which he is entered. The club has a membership of 120, the largest in the state. C. E. Clinch has been elected president and F. C. Peterson secretary.

A rifle range will be secured immediately.

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A meeting of the Utah State Association was held for the purpose of electing officers and the officials of the state organization were elected. J. F. Cowan of Salt Lake succeeds himself as president. A. P. Bigelow of Ogden is vice-president and A. R. Bain of Salt Lake is secretary and treasurer. The next annual shoot will be held in Ogden.

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Dallas, Tex., May 25.—Ed Forsgard of Waco, Tex., won the state professional championship at the 39th annual shoot of the Texas Sportsmen's Association, which closed a two-days' shoot here today, by averaging 95 hits out of 100 at the traps for the meet. A. V. Cook of Wellington, Tex., was second, and C. G. Spencer of St. Louis, Mo., third, with 92.

E V. Fisher, Oklahoma City, in the 600-target amateur event, was first with 567; A. V. Cook of Wellington, Tex., second, 561, and Forest McNeir, Houston, Tex., third, with 557. In this event C. G. Spencer of St. Louis, world's professional champion, had a score of 569. H. A. Murrele, Houston, was second high professional with 558, and L. J. Wade, Dallas, third, with 556.

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What is said to be the largest sword fish ever captured in South Atlantic waters is now on display in Brunswick, Ga. The fish was caught by Leon Robards, just off the Brunswick bar. The monster weighs 300 pounds and measures ten feet from tip to tip. Robards and two companions were prawning when they encountered the prize, and, after a hard struggle, succeeded in landing him. Mr. Robards has removed the sword from the body and will treasure it as a memento of the largest "haul" he ever made.

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Plans are being made by the members of the Watsonville Bluerock Club to hold one of the biggest bluerock shoots next Sunday that has been staged in this community in several years. The shoot will be held on the club range near Freedom on the Zils ranch and the committee in charge of the event is composed of C. A. Palmtag, chairman; William Whitton and Dr. S. Jewett.

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Members of the Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest at the annual meeting awarded the 1917 Northwest trap shoot to the Portland Gun Club. James W. Seavey of Portland was re-elected president of the association, and W. E. Carlon of Portland, secretary.

If you would have better shooting ,respect the game law to the very letter, and endeavor to get your acquaintances and neighbors to do likewise. Do not go a,eld during the open season with the thought in your mind that it will not amount to much if you exceed the bag limit a bird or two, for while that bird or two will not amount to much to you, if every man who goes out exceeds the bag limit only one bird every time he goes afield, it will mean hundreds, yes, thousands, of birds illegally killed during a season, and it is better for you and for all sportsmen if those extra birds are left in the field.

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W. W. Flavell is the second member of the St. Petersburg (Fla.) Tarpon Club who has been awarded the club button this year for a kingfish landed on a light line. Mr. Flavell captured a six-pound kingfish with a nine-thread line. He had previously landed a fifteen-pound kingfish on what he supposed to be a fifteen-thread line, but soon discovered that the line was heavier, which barred hi sentry under the rules of the club, which state that no kingfish can be registered unless caught with a line of fifteen threads or less. T. W. Weston recently entered a three-pound mackerel, which he landed on a nine-thread line. The club prize for mackerel is conditional on a nine-thread line being used. These are the first two entries that have been made this season. The club will now admit guides as members, the professionals being entitled to club buttons if the club rules have been adhered to, but will not be deemed eligible for the prizes offered.

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Vernon Club.—A second leg on the George T. Cline handicap diamond medal was annexed by Dr. L. M. Packard Sunday when the prize was shot for at the Vernon Gun Club at 50 birds, distance handicaps, by squelching 48 targets out of the half century from 21 yards.

C. E. Groat, president of the club, was runner-up in this event, breaking 47x50.

The big gun of the day's bombardment on the clay bird family was Bishop, who pinged 49 tarhawks out of 50 in the William H. Hoegee handicap event. He shot at 75 birds during the morning and broke 74. Packard scored another 48x50 in the Hoegee competition. This brought his score for 100 birds up to 96 kills, and all registered from the 21-yard mark.

"Red" Hedderly, fish and bame expert and a small-bore gun enthusiast, waded through a string of birds in the 20-gauge contest, but broke 22 out of a quarter century when it came to the final contest. Billy Wilshire hung up the high score in the small bore event, smashing 24 mud saucers. The scores in all events follow:

George T. Cline handicap, 50 birds:—

	Hdcp. yds.	Broke
Manderville	17	44x50
Stan Bruner	21	46x50
Reid	17	42x50
Smith	16	38x50
A. W. Bruner	16	43x50
Dr. Bishop	17	46x50
C. W. Fish	16	43x50
J. D. Dierdoff	17	45x50
Dougherty	17	44x50
Dr. L. M. Packard	21	48x50
C. E. Groat	18	47x50
Mrs. C. E. Groat	17	46x50
Knoff	16	40x50
Ed Hedderly	16	41x50
Bob Bole	16	37x50
Van Ness	16	35x50
Stafford	16	38x50
W. H. Wilshire	16	44x50
Palmer	16	44x50

Wm. H. Hoegee handicap, 50 birds:—

	Hdcp. yds.	Broke
Manderville	17	46x50
S. A. Bruner	21	47x50
A. W. Bruner	16	44x50
Dr. Bishop	17	49x50
C. W. Fish	16	45x50
Dougherty	17	44x50
Dr. L. M. Packard	21	48x50
C. E. Groat	18	46x50
Mrs. Groat	17	43x50
Knoff	16	41x50
Bob Bole	16	39x50
Palmer	16	41x50

20-gauge contest: Fish 22x25, Hedderly 22x25, Wilshire 24x25.

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..Los Angeles Club.—The second annual Du Pont Beginners' Day trap shooting tournament was held Sunday at the traps of the Los Angeles Gun Club. The first prize ,a silver watch fob, was won by C. J. Hurst. He broke 22 clays out of 25.

Following the contest for the new shooters, three contests, each of 50 birds from the shooters' allotted handicaps, were put on. A diamond scarf pin was put up in each event. Dr. S. B. Friend won in the initial event, Fred Grewell in the second and O. Evans in the third. Ninety-two shooters contested during the day. The complete results follow:

Beginners' event at 25 targets from 16 yards:—

W. E. Palmer 17, C. M. Herb 20, F. Andres 17, Geo. Friese 21, William T. Hill 16, Clarence Stapel 5, Otto Younce 18, William Kennedy 14, John Kolinski 7, A. S. Hardy 17, W. J. Koerner 20, John F. Younce 13, W. A. Gillette 15, W. Jackson 16, J. K. Tweedy 17, L. H. Brown 20, Miss A. Wheeler 17, J. B. Winston 13, C. W. Hays 20, C. J. Hurst 22, S. H. Wilson 21, Rus Chenoweth 17, L. F. Roussey 19, W. J. Rizer 20, H. H. Waters 9, E. Cleveland 1, R. W. Gardner 12, Mrs. A. M. Godwin 6, J. P.Hopkins 8, A. H. Rude 16, Mrs. W. Kennedy 5, H. M. Clark 12, J. Cook 9, J. P. Goodhue 6, B. S. Small 6, G. P. Stacey 17, George P. Benton 18, C. A. Halpin 14, Carl Moore 11, S. P. Shepherd 8, Mrs. G. Pulley 9, Miss M. Warren 3, R. Canfield 15.

Diamond trophy handicap, in three events of 50 birds, one trophy in each event:

	Hdcp.	1	2	3
E. Mitchell	22	43	47	46
H. Pfirrmann	22	41	37	43
F. H. Mellus	22	30	48	44
G. Holohan	22	43	47	44
C. F. Nichols	21	44	48	..
R. Witman	18	46	47	46
F. H. Nichols	18	44	45	43
S. R. Smith	19	46	48	..
H. Cline	18	36	40	38
F. Grewell	18	44	49	36
S. B. Friend	18	47	44	45
C. F. Blackstock	17	45	39	43
P. A. Rice	17	42	44	48
J. Arnial	17	45	43	48
C. W. Clement	17	43	44	41
V. A. Rossbach	18	41	47	47
William Mullen	18	44	47	44
F. D. Putzar	18	43	42	38
J. P. Haese	18	40	46	44
O. Evans	18	39	43	48
Miss A. Wheeler	16	31	..	..
Mrs. H. Pfirrmann	16	41	40	38
J. C. Cline	16	39	38	40
C. E. Loud	16	38	37	..
A. L. Rowe	16	35	36	37
S. C. Miller	16	35	39	..
L. H. Brown	16	38	37	..
W. Koerner	16	44	36	..
P. O. Long	16	44	42	..
C. H. Betz	16	45	39	45
C .W. Hays	16	41	40	..
George Austin	16	45	43	46
H. H. Waters	16	22	30	31
W. Jackson	16	30	31	..
A. Packmayr	16	43	38	44
J. A. Hoblit	17	46	44	..
F. E. Ekdale	16	41	42	40
F. Free	16	42	43	45
George Muford	16	45	43	47
Seth Hart	16	42	43	..
C. A. Gray	16	40	41	40
William Kennedy	16	36	38	..
C. L. Saunders	16	38	37	39
W. Hill	16	36	34	38
J. Milligan	17	40	43	43
N. W. Neuor	16	30	31	38
W. T. Reger	16	41	42	43
A. D. Switzer	16	39	40	42
T. H. Wilson	16	39	40	39
O. Younce	16	31	30	35
L. F. Roussey	16	34	32	..
William Kennedy	16	31	37	..
C. Staples	16	10	15	..
T. B. Winston	16	26	31	..
C. N. Hays	16	40	30	..
W. Jackson	16	34	38	..
A. C. Hardy	16	33	35	..
J. F. Younce	16	29	..	..
George Frisses	16	30	33	..
C. E. Groat	17	43	..	..
Mrs. C. E. Groat	17	47	..	..
F. Andres	16	34	37	..
W. Palmer	16	32	36	..

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Reedley Club.—The Reedley Rifle Club on June 4 held a meet for the qualification of "marksmen" under the new rules, as laid down by the War Department. This course consists of 40 shots fired at the "B" target at the 200-yard range, as follows: 50 shots slow fire, 5 prone, 5 kneeling, 5 squatting and 5 standing, no rest; 20 shots magazine fire from the same positions with the target remaining in view only 30 seconds for each magazine of five shots. A member to qualify as a "marksman" and be entitled to shoot the "sharpshooter" course must make at the marksman course a score of 75 in the magazine fire and a total of 150 in the aggregate. The score made by the Reedley club follows:

	Slow fire.	Mag. fire.	Total.
C. N. Parlier	83	92	175
M. Gilbert	86	87	173
Charles M. Knauer	96	75	172
R. C. Sheibley	84	85	169
N. W. Elter	89	80	169
R. Stanton	83	77	160
W. B. Gillingham	87	68	155
E. A. Eymann	80	73	153
S. Jorgensen	82	63	145
F. Peck	69	64	133

C. M. Knauer made a straight run of 14 bullseyes and 17 out of 20 perfect shots at the slow fire, but could not hold the pace at the magazine fire.

C. N. Parlier showed best at the standing position, making a perfect score at both the slow and magazine fire.

Another shoot will probably be held on June 18 for the "marksman" course for those who did not qualify and for those who were not present at this shoot

R. L. Spotts of the N. Y. A. C. made an excellent showing in the Keystone League shoot April 27th when he won the DuPont Challenge Trophy with 98x100, shooting Nitro Clubs.

NATIONAL RIFLE QUALIFCATION COURSES.

The following courses have been adopted tentatively by the National Rifle Association:

Any rifle may be used.

Any kind of sight, peep, open, or telescopic, may be used. The use of the peep sight is recommended.

Use of sling is authorized.

Coaching is permitted. There should be a coach at each firing point.

Each course may be repeated as often as is desired. Qualifying entitles you to advance to the next course. The names of those who qualify are recorded in the War Department (National Board for Promotion of Rifle Practice).

Decorations will be awarded to those who qualify as Expert Riflemen.

Target "B" is used for all firing. Hits in the bull's-eye count 5; the white disk marks a 5; the red a 4; the white-and-black a 3, and the black a 2. A miss is indicated by waving a red flag. Hits on the wrong target count as misses. (The instructor will illustrate on an actual target with disks, the method of marking, the use of spotters and the meaning of the expression "o'clock.".)

In slow fire the target is marked after each shot and a spotter indicates the exact location of the hit.

In magazine fire the target is exposed 30 seconds. Five shots are fired during the exposure. I there are more than 5 hits on the target the score is not recorded and another string is fired. (The expression "rapid fire" is no longer used because the idea is to fire deliberately instead of rapidly.)

Marksman Course—Fired at 200 yards. No rest is used. Slow Fire—5 shots prone, 5 kneeling, 5 squatting, 5 standing — total, 20 shots. Magazine Fire—5 shots prone, 5 kneeling, 5 squatting, 5 standing—total, 20 shots. Necessary to qualify—aggregate score of 150 or total score in Magazine Fire of seventy-five.

Sharpshooter Course.—Arm, hand or rifle must touch post or parapet. Slow fire. 200 yards, 5 shots, standing from post rest; 300 yards, 5 kneeling from trench; 400 yards, 5 sitting or squatting from trench; 500 yards, 5 prone from trench; total, 20 shots. Then one skirmish run of 20 shots. Necessary to qualify: an aggregate score of 150 or a total score on skirmish of 75. On ranges where posts and parapets are not provided, the firing may be from the prescribed positions without the rests.

The Skirmish begins at 500 yards. Five shots are fired at each of above distances and positions. Targets exposed 30 seconds for each range and down 1½ minutes for each advance. All advances are atdouble time. A coach accompanies each skirmish. Score taken at end of run. If there are more than 20 hits on target run must be repeated.

Expert Rifleman Course—Fired at 500 yards. No rest used. Slow fire. Five shots prone, 5 kneeling, 5 squatting, 5 sitting; total, 20 shots. Then four strings of changing position fire of 5 shots each. Necessary to qualify: an aggregate score of 140 or a total score of 70 on changing positions fire.

Changing Positions Fire—Target up 5 seconds, down 5 seconds. One shot at each exposure. Sequence of positions for each string: Prone, kneeling, squatting, kneeling, prone.

FRED H. PHILLIPS, Jr.,
Sec. Nat. Rifle Ass'n of America.

GOOD SPORT ON TRUCKEE.

According to word received by Frank M. Newbert, President of the State Fish and Game Commission, trout fishing in the Tahoe and Brockaway regions is unprecedented in the history of the state. N. C. Comestock, the informant of Newbert, states that since the opening of the trout season June 1, not a day has passed but anglers with rods have caught the limit by noon. A Mr. Woods of Stockton and a Mr. Lowe of San Jose, he states, had particular success, landing trout weighing from six to seven pounds.

On the first day of the open season Comestock shipped out of Brockway forty boxes of trout, while 125 boxes left Tahoe for friends of anglers. The post office department at Tahoe, according to Charles W. Paine, secretary of the State Agricultural Society, is distributing trout by parcels post.

The post, it is claimed, in most instances deliver the fish the day after it is shipped. The shipping zone is limited to Sacramento, Stockton and way points.

REGULARITY IMPORTANT IN SQUAD.

Time and regularity are important matters to the trapshooter. In a squad of trained shots it becomes almost a matter of rhythm, the movements of each man fitting in with the "swing" of the others, and seldom does anything interfere, save perhaps a bird broken at the trap.

There is no hesitation on the part of the good shot when the bird is thrown. With instant decisive action he takes the proper lead and fires. It may be that he realizes at the instant of shooting that it is a "miss," but still he shoots, for he knows that any attempt to get a second aim would be bad for the future. He knows the value of regularity.

The point at which the birds should be stopped should be somewhere between 50 and 60 feet from the trap. Beyond this place they begin to lose their regularity of flight, so are harder to hit, and the shotgun pattern becomes too open.

Heine Pfirrmann was fortunate at San Jose in being with a good squad. His teammates sacrificed their scores in order to assist Heine make a 100 straight.



EIGHT-POUNDER CAUGHT AT LAKE ALANOR
George B. Nees of the Olympic Club is pictured with his prize taken in Plumas County.

LOCAL ELKS' SHOOTERS CHALLENGED.

Brother Elks:

Wilmington Lodge, B. P. O. Elks, No. 307, is the only Elks Lodge in Delaware. In population our state is the smallest in the Union, while in area it is the second smallest.

However, small as we may be, we number among our membership severa ltrapshooters who, in shooting ability, rank second to those of no other state. We are proud of our trapshooters and anxious to pit their skill against our Brother Elks in other states.

A CHALLENGE.

Inasmuch as a large number of the great body of Elks are trapshooters, and in view of the fact that a great many of those who will attend the Baltimore Convention will be men who are active trapshooters, Wilmington Lodge, B. P. O. Elks, No. 307, issues the following challenge:

The Delaware Elks challenge the Elks of other states to a trapshooting match to take place at Baltimore, Md., Friday, July 14th, starting at 10:30 a. m.

Any Elk in good standing is eligible to participate in the match. Elks residing in a state other than the one in which their home lodge is located are eligible to participate with the Elks in the state in which they reside, because they will be familiar with the preparations being made to accept this challenge, by the Elks in the state in which they reside.

Each state may enter as many shooters as are at the Convention and the five high men from each state will be counted as the teams.

The match will be at 100 targets per man, shot in five events of 20 targets each, or four events of 25 targets each, as may be deemed necessary by the number of entries.

The entrance fee will be 1c each for targets shot at, and regular prices for shells.

Prizes to the value of from $100 to $150 are offered by friends of Wilmington Lodge who are anxious to bring the skill of the local Elks to the attention of our brethren.

The prizes will be as follows: To the winning 5-man team—5 prizes; to the second 5-man team—5 prizes.

In addition there will be 8 other suitable prizes offered, and awarded under the Lewis Class System—four classes and two prizes to each class, and a prize for low score, making 19 prizes in all.

It should be understood that all Elks who attend the Baltimore Convention and are trapshooters are welcome to participate in this tournament, and shoot for the state in which they reside. So bring your guns along and help show what the boys from your state are capable of in the trapshooting line.

The trapshooting tournament will start about 10:30 a. m., permission having been given by the Oriole Gun Club to hold the shoot on their grounds, and everything will be in readiness for the occasion. To reach these grounds take Annapolis Short Line car from Camden Station and get off at Baltimore Highlands. The ride requires but nine minutes. Targets and shells will be for sale on the grounds, so all you need do is bring your gun.

We have the permission of the officials in charge of the Convention to arrange a shoot of this nature, and those participating in same will not miss any of the big events.

Kindly let us know as soon as possible how may of your shooters expect to take part in this shoot, as we want to arrange for their accommodation. Please send names and addresses to

Yours very truly,
W. L. HAMMAN, Secretary.

This will likely be of interest to the Alameda, Oakland, Santa Rosa and Eureka Elks, who have recently organized shooting clubs.

REPORTS ON FISHING CONDITIONS.

Telegraphic reports on fishing conditions as furnished by agents of the railroads are given as follows:

NORTHWESTERN PACIFIC.

The trout fishing in the streams of Northern Mendocino, Trinity and Humboldt Counties, which has been belated this season because of the inclement weather which has been experienced through the canyon during the last few weeks is now beginning to look quite promising, and excellent fly fishing should be enjoyed before many days have passed.

The Noyo River in Mendocino county is reported in shape now, and the agent of the Northwestern Pacific Railroad at Dos Rios wires in that fly fishing is good now on Berger creek ,a tributary of the Eel River. Both Big Dobbins and Fort Seward creeks near Fort Seward in Humboldt are affording fine sport and the fishing there in the Eel itself should commence very soon. Redwood Creek, farther north, has been yielding some excellent baskets during the past week, and the natives say that even better fishing will be enjoyed toward the latter part of the month.

SOUTHERN PACIFIC.

Shasta Region.

Dunsmuir—Fishing good. Fair catches with both fly and bait. River little high.

Shasta Springs—Fishing good. Weather excellent. No large catches reported.

Ager—Fishing excellent on Klamath river at Klamath Hot Springs and on Bogus Creek. Many limit catches made. Weather ideal.

Sisson—Fishing good. Weather fine.

Castella—Fishing only fairly good account wind.

The Sierras and Lake Tahoe.

Emigrant Gap—Fishing only fair. Water high.

Cisco—Weather good. River very high. No fly fishing. Few caught with bait.

Truckee and Tahoe—Weather ideal. Fishing in Truckee River and Lake Tahoe fair. Eleven pound trout taken in Donner Lake June 2 on display Southern Pacific ticket office, Palace Hotel, San Francisco.

Boca—Truckee river high and partially muddy account melting snow. Fly fishing fair. Good bait fishing. Big catches.

Floriston—Fishing very good. Trout taking angleworms and grubs. Good catches. Water too high for fly fishing.

Towle—Small catches. Brooks are insufficiently stocked.

Blue Canyon—Fishing conditions good. Water going down in stream. Fair catches. Some bass and catfish taken in lakes.

Santa Cruz Region.

Brookdale—Fishing conditions fair. Good catches but fish small. Sizes up to seven inches. Weather excellent. Nights cool. Fishermen report lots of sport. Limit catches taken in a few hours.

Boulder Creek—Fishing conditions good.

Santa Cruz—Salmon and trout fishing good. Weather clear and warm. Beach in excellent condition. Thronged with bathers. Sunday afternoon band concerts popular. Summer cottages being rapidly taken.

WESTERN PACIFIC.

Keddie—Fishing not very good in immediate vicinity, account of streams being muddy. Some limit catches being made in Big Meadow. Principal bait, worms and flies.

Blairsden—Fishing in river and creeks good. No trouble to get limits. Using salmon eggs and light and brown colored flies. Lakes are opening up fast. Weather clear and warm.

Big Bar—Fishing fair. River low and clear.

Belden—Indian Creek, Chip Creek, Yellow Creek, North Fork, East Branch, Feather River and Three Lakes good.

Trade Notes.—Edgar Alperson defeated a field of 61 shooters over the traps of the Magic City Gun Club of Muncie, Ind., recently. Mr. Apperson shooting Nitro Clubs won high general average with the excellent score of 149x150, and also made an unfinished long run of 142 straight.

At the first registered tournament of the Oriole Gun Club of Maryland, held at Baltimore May 13th, the first, second, third and fourth amateur winners, Messrs. Ford, Newcomb, Tomlin and Martin shot the Speed Shells and there were only two between the fourth and first places.

Two gold watches put up as special prizes were also taken by shooters of Remington UMC.

This initial tournament brought out 64 shooters in all and there was a lively scramble for the high places, an unusually strong field being represented.

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The fine weather brought out a field of twenty shooters at the Greenhill (Del.) traps, April 29th, and some fine scores were made. T. Martin was high man with a break of 69 out of 75. Mrs. White, of the Nemours Trapshooting Club, won the handicap event, with a score of 22x25 and annexed the sterling silver spoon.

THE FARM

POPULARITY OF GRAIN HAY.

[Pac. Rural Press.]

The fact has been noted that the only enduring opposition to hay made from "grains cut green" was put up by the supply experts of the U. S. Army, and this existed until very recently. When the Spanish war and the occupation of the Philippines made it necessary to ship hay across the Pacific it took some effort by our congressmen to get Pacific Coast contractors a chance to file bids and longer still to admit the "grains cut green" to the place occupied by the sainted Timothy on the army schedules, and we understand that oat and even barley hay are now admissible to the government mule menu. We mention this fact to emphasize the contrast between the conservatism of the army and the ready acceptance of grain hay by the California pioneers. They saw what the Mexicans did with horses and the "grain cut green" which they used for hay and had no doubt of their quality. But the more specific demonstration came later when the race-horse magnates put a test on the "efficiency" of Balifornia grain hay and stopped at no expenditure to secure the advantage of it. Joseph Cairn Simpson, who was probably the greatest equine-philosopher of the last century, was firmly convinced that the supremacy of California horses, which was so clearly demonstrated a few decades ago, was due in good part to the climate and the feed, and he used to like to point to the practice of expert horse men as supporting his contention. In one of a series of articles for the Sunset Magazine in 1901 Mr. Simpson gave these facts:

"A test between timothy hay imported from Oregon and wheat hay of California resulted in a decided preference for the latter. That estimate has been endorsed by many trainers from the East. Hickok, Marvin, Goldsmith and Salisbury, after one trip east with trotters, when eastern hay had to be used, became so well satisfied of the superiority of California hay that in subsequent eastern trips they took a season's supply with them. There were differences of opinion as to which kind was best; wheat, oats, wheat and oats, and wild oats, each had its advocates. The crowning testimony of its excellence was when Edward Corrigan, known all over the United States as one of the most successful managers and trainers of race horses (which achieved many notable victories on every prominent race course from San Francisco to New York and from Chicago to New Orleans) shipped a detachment of his horses from California to England. Accompanying the horses went several carloads of California hay—enough to last his large stable for a year. This was because his horses did not do as well in distant parts as they did when trained in California, and this he could only ascribe to the superiority of the hay ,as all the other conditions in distant parts were favorable."

And farther comment seems unnecessary to establish the quality of California "grains cut green" for hay. These famous horsemen staked millions on it, before Uncle Sam dared officially spend a few thousands for it as meals for his mules!

FACTS ABOUT LIVE STOCK.

The breeding and feeding of farm animals is a popular branch of agriculture in this country. There is a profound reason for it, easily explained when we consider man's fondness for dumb creatures.

We believe in live stock as an inseparable feature of farming in America. The most useful type of farmer, on the whole, is "the live stock farmer," combining cropping and the raising of useful domestic animals.

Just what does live stock mean, economically—not as a fad or fancy, but as a money maker? It seems that the indiscriminate urging of live stock farming to conserve the productive power of the land is questionable, to say the least, inasmuch as commercial fertilizers are obtainable nowadays. Too often you hear some one remark, "Live stock is necessary to maintain soil fertility."

Concerning this statement there are two important things to remember, and to ignore them in practice is to wilfully blind ourselves to the facts. The first is that live stock farming should itself be profitable aside from its value in relation to the perpetuation of the soil. That this is not always so, many a feeder can testify. The man who merely breaks even is still a loser, although he may try to console himself with the thought that at least he has manure to put back on the land.

For here enters the second vital fact, that farm animals alone never did and never can sustain the productive power of the soil. No argument is needed for anyone can see that meat and milk and wool are not made from nothing. Besides, the scarce and costly nitrogen and phosphorus that are removed from the soil in a carload of cattle, sheep or hogs, or in a can of milk or bag of wool, an animal uses up more than half its rations in bodily maintenance—just living and moving about. So far as the land is concerned the feed consumed for this purpose is wasted.

The truth does not hurt a strong man, and he is neither brave nor wise who deceives himself by shutting his eyes to plain facts. The plain facts are that no field ever was enriched by the manure made from animals fed evclusively on the crops grown on that field.

Under careful management livestock may be made extremely profitable, but under poor management a man can lose a whole lot of money at it. Yard manure is a good by-product of the feed lot when it is not wasted, but too often it costs more than it is worth in comparison with other forms of fertility.

Where work stock, meat stock, milk stock or pet stock are handled so that the ledger shows a satisfactory balance on the right side of the page, a part of the profits can be spent for phosphorus, limestone or potassium, or whatever may be necessary to replace the essential elements of plant food removed by the crops.

When this can not be done it is idle to talk of conserving soils by livestock alone.

CROPPING IRRIGATED LANDS.

In choosing the crops which will be the most profitable for a new agricultural region, there is a tendency to specialize on one or two crops, little attention being given to crop rotation. Grain and alfalfa are usually the first irrigated crops to be grown, and these are followed by vegetables or fruits or some other inter-tilled crop.

There seems to be an impression that the fertility of the irrigated soil is inexhaustible, and the experience of farmers in humid sections is disregarded entirely. While it is true that the average arid soil contains enough of the essential mineral plant foods for years to come, yet the supply of humus is very small, usually less than that of the soil of humid regions.

One of the most important problems on irrigated lands is that of keeping up the organic matter supply. Where alfalfa or other leguminous crops can be grown to advantage the problem does not present so many difficulties. But alfalfa is not an ideal rotation crop in many regions, and the tendency, once a good stand is gotten, is to let it remain as a permanent crop.

The suitability of the soil for a permanent crop of this nature should be seriously considered before putting in too large a proportion of one's land to alfalfa, and the average farm would be better planned by allowing for rotation crops.

The high cost of retailing food products is the biggest leak between producer and consumer. The Watsonville retailers are cutting it by dividing the city into four delivery districts. Members of the delivery association will send goods for their customers to a central station whence each driver will deliver on his own certain route four times a day ,thus avoiding duplication of routes.

PICKING THE LAYERS.

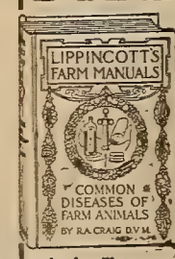
While thetrap nest is the most dependable method by which to select birds of high egg production, the additional labor and expense involved prohibits its use under most farm conditions. Without the trap nest one must resort to external indications.

When selecting pullets, choose only those from early hatches with strong constitutional development, early producing pullets, heavy eaters, early risers, late retirers and active. Hens of highest egg production have a feminine appearance, fine head, alert eyes, comb, face and wattles fine of texture and medium in size. They should stand square on their feet, legs wide apart, with the front end of the body slightly higher than the posterior end, long back and tail carried rather high. The body should present a wedge-shaped appearance, yielding ample room for the reproductive and digestive organs. Late molters make heavier winter egg producers.

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3. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
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THURSDAY, AUGUST 17

5. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $400
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5. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
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7. Run, 5 furlongs ..... Purse $100
8. Run, 6 furlongs ..... Purse $100

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31

9. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $500
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12. Run, 5½ furlongs ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

13. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $400
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September 6 to 9
Half-mile Track

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

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2. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $400
3. Run, ¼ mile ..... Purse $100
4. Run, La Grande Derby, 1 1-16 mi. $200

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

5. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
6. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $400
7. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
8. Run, 6 furlongs ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

9. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $500
10. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $400
11. Run, 3 furlongs ..... Purse $100
12. Run, 5 furlongs ..... Purse $100

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

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September 13 to 16
Half-mile Track

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

1. 2:14 Pace ..... Purse $400
2. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $400
3. Run, ¼ mile ..... Purse $100
4. Run, Baker Derby, 1 1-16 mile.. $200

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

5. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
6. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $400
7. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
8. Run, 6 furlongs ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

9. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $500
10. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $400
11. Run, 3 furlongs ..... Purse $100
12. Run, 5 furlongs ..... Purse $100

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

13. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $400
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September 19 to 22
Half-mile Track

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

1. 2:14 Pace ..... Purse $400
2. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $400
3. Run, ¼ mile ..... Purse $100
4. Run, 7 furlongs ..... Purse $100

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

5. 2:30 Pace ..... Purse $400
6. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $400
7. Run, 4 furlongs ..... Purse $100
8. Run, 6 furlongs ..... Purse $100

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

9. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $400
10. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $400
11. Run, 3 furlongs ..... Purse $100
12. Run, 5 furlongs ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

13. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $400
14. 2:14 Trot ..... Purse $400
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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

5. 2:25 Pace ..... Purse $500
6. 3-y.-o. Pace (2:25 class).. Purse $300
7. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $400
8. Run ..... Purse $100
9. Run ..... Purse $100

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

10. 2:24 Trot ..... Purse $500
11. Free-for-All Pace ..... Purse $500
12. 2:18 Pace ..... Purse $400
13. Run, Boise Derby, 1⅛ mi. Purse $300
14. Run ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4

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10. 2:10 Pace ..... Purse $500
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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5

14. 2:17 Trot ..... Purse $500
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17. ⅞ Mile Dash ..... Purse $100

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 6

18. 2:20 Pace ..... Purse $500
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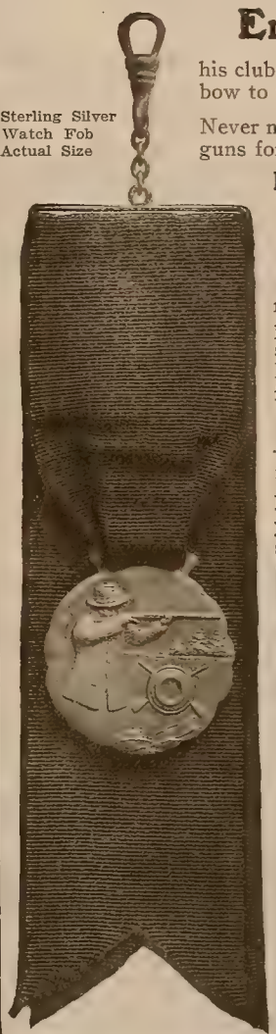
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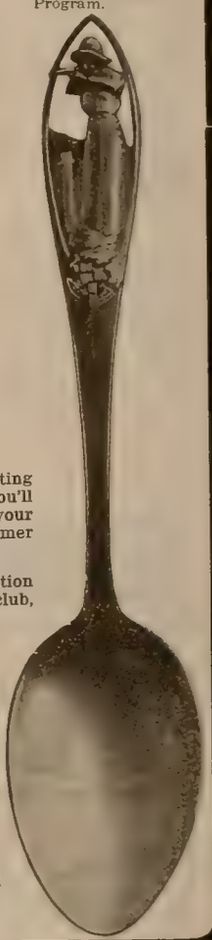
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North Randall, Ohio	July 17-22
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Galesburg, Ill.	Aug. 7-12
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Omaha, Neb.	Aug. 21-26
Des Moines, Ia.	Aug. 25-31
Hamline, Minn.	Sept. 4- 9
Milwaukee, Wis.	Sept. 11-25
Springfield, Ill.	Sept. 18-22
Sedalia, Mo.	Sept. 25-30

NEARLY A MILLION HORSES, bred and reared in the United States, have passed the rigid censorship of the European army buyers and gone across the water to Europe during the past two years at a cost to the governments that bought them of not less than $300 per head. From $125 to $175 was the price paid the contractors here and the rest of the amount was made up from cost of transportation and expenses. The contractors bought these horses from the breeders at from $75 to $125 per head. Some conservative horsemen, acquainted with the cost of shipping horses to Europe, affirm that $400 per head is not too high a figure to place on the cost of each horse when it reaches France, England or Italy. If the people who claim there are not enough suitable horses in the United States to supply our army on a preparedness basis, and who are pressing the passage of a bill to appropriate $200,000 to buy stallions suitable to sire army horses that they may be distributed about the country for horse breeders to patronize, will introduce a bill authorizing Uncle Sam to pay $200 a head to horse breeders for such animals as will suit the army's requirements they will find that more horses will be offered than the army will require. And they will be as good horses as any army the world has yet seen have ever used. Read the records of what the United States cavalry and artillery horses have been doing in Mexico and then remember that these horses, that have broken all army records for the distance traveled under like conditions, and which are most highly praised for their soundness and stamina, were furnished the U. S. Government by contractors for less than $200 each and were purchased from their owners or breeders at figures far below that sum. We do not believe it would be an exaggeration to state that the horse breeders of the United States could furnish the army with 100,,000 sound and suitable horses within a month from any given date if the breeders were paid the prices which the contractors now receive. The shortage which is supposed to exist in horses suitable for cavalry and artillery purposes can be traced to the custom which prevails among contractors of making very low bids for furnishing remounts and artillery horses, and then "taking it out" of the breeders.

HORSES ARE STILL USED almost exclusively by many of the most successful business concerns of the country in spite of the claims made in the advertisements of the motor truck makers that goods can be delivered by the gasoline wagons cheaper than with horse drawn vehicles. The motor makers assert and re-assert that one motor truck will do the work of three teams and perhaps it can, but there are some of the users of both means of transportation who have been keeping books on the relative expense of horse and gasoline vehicles and have found that horses are more economical than any style of motor truck yet discovered. This accounts for the fact that the prices of draft horses have not declined in New York and Chicago, the two cities of this country where the most goods are hauled, but have increased during the past year. One of the most efficient and best managed transportation firms doing business on the Pacific Coast is Wells, Fargo & Co. ,and that big organization finds that motor trucks are only suitable for a small proportion of its delivery business, a business where economical, prompt and safe delivery is the most important factor in satisfying its customers. Wells, Fargo & Co. uses 250 horses and 16 automobiles in San Francisco and the manager states that proportion of horses to motor trucks gives the company the best service. One of the big organizations often referred to in eastern financial circles as a model of modern efficiency is the National Biscuit Company, which last year built a $2,000,000 factory out of profits after paying dividends of seven per cent to its stockholders, and which has thirty factories together with hundreds of distributing plans throughout the country, all built and equipped in the same thrifty way and managed with the utmost care and economy. In New York this concern gives employment to five motor trucks and two thousand horses, and the horses are used in that proportion simply because a strict account of cost has shown that the horse is best and cheapest for the work to be done. Comparing the cost of horses and machines, a writer in the Breeder's Gazette of Chicago hits the nail on the head when he says the motor truck advocate credits the gasoline vehicle with a full load every time it goes out, and by this false method of computation tries to prove that it costs but little more to collect and deliver freight with machines than with horses. But in actual practice a motor truck having a capacity of three tons often has to make a trip with a few hundred pounds and come back empty so that the cost must be multiplied by five or six, for the expense is the same whether the machine is loaded to capacity or empty. As the writer says: "Time consumed in waiting to load or unload is another important factor in actual experience with motor vehicles. Experts estimate that an automobile truck waits at an expense of about one dollar and a half per hour, as against sixty cents for a team of horses or thirty cents for a one horse wagon. In congested freight yards and docks, where each vehicle must wait its turn, this item runs into money very rapidly. With all conditions favorable, in experimental tryouts, with picked men to load and unload in double quick time, it has been demonstrated that a three ton motor truck can do the work of three teams, but in actual practice, according to the Gazette, 1,120 tons have been moved by horses at a cost of $1,080, as compared with $1,260 for the same weight on the same job moved by motor vehicles. These are some of the things, other than the rise in gasoline, which explain the increasing market value of draft horses at a time when motor trucks are being exploited by every means that can force them into use."

MORE HIGHLY BRED SHORTHORNS FOR CALIFORNIA.

Mr. J. N. Colomb and Mrs. C. M. Barton and daughter of San Benito county returned from a trip to Missouri and Texas a few weeks ago, where they made many purchases of Shorthorn bulls and cows for the Barco Ranch in Santa Ana valley, which they own and where they propose to engage in the breeding of the finest beef cattle. In Missouri they purchased from the prize herd of the famous Hallwood farm at Carthage, three pure-bred shorthorn bulls, a white sired by Village Flash, 387926; a roan by the same sire; and a white by Cumberland Dreamer. From the same herd was selected 18 cows and heifers, bred to Village Flash, Wallhurst Goods, and the famous Master of Orange, now dead.

From the H. C. Johns Overlook Farm at Carthage was selected 18 Scotch heifers, reds, whites and roans, and bred to Choice Sultan, one of the grandest shorthorn bulls in America.

Proceeding to Gregory, Texas, additional stock was purchased for the Barco ranch, as follows:

A roan bull, Texas Sultan, born May 2, 1915, sired by Sultan, 316806, grandsire of the famous White Hall Sultan. Also 25 Scotch shorthorn heifers, reds and roans, bred to Sultan, 316806, Skylight 392356, and Roan Hero, 388438.

All of this stock has now arrived and all interested stockmen are invited to make a visit to the ranch in the Santa Ana valley, four miles east of Hollister.

In looking for stock for the Barco ranch, the owners found plenty of good shorthorn stock in California, but none for sale. They have inaugurated a new policy at the Barco ranch, in that there will be a sale price upon every head of stock. In fact a specialty will be made of handling the best breeds that money or influence can buy.

In addition to horned stock, the ranch has imported a fine line of registered Poland-China boars and sows, that are pictures to delight the eyes of stockraisers.

INCIDENTS IN THE CAREER OF BANASTAR.

Banastar, by Farandole—Blessing, one of the best race horses of his day and winner of the Brooklyn Handicap and Toboggan Handicap for W. H. Clark in 1899, and of the Metropolitan and Toboggan Handicaps in 1901 in the colors of Clarence H. Mackay, died Wednesday at the farm of Troop A., at Hustington, L. I. When he broke down shortly after important victories as a six-year-old, Mr. Mackay presented the noted racer to Capt. Fred Dubois. He has done useful service since as a sire of army mounts.

Banastar was a brilliant race horse but of uncertain temper, and two years before he won the Metropolitan for Mr. Mackay he was the direct cause of the loss of the services of Danny Maher to the American turf. At that time Banastar was owned by the late W. H. Clark, corporation counsel of New York, and had performed so well in previous races that he was made a strong favorite for the Suburban Handicap. Maher had the mount and, after a delay of nearly an hour at the post, the crack jockey got his mount away, only to have him wheel and refuse to run. There was a scandal over the affair, and Mr. Clark, who had a contract with Maher, kept him on the ground, in addition to which he was punished on the technical ground of having beaten the horse.

Mr. Clark had paid $10,000 for Banastar to the Oots Brothers of Kentucky, and sold him to Mr. Mackay for the same amount. He proved his worth when he carried top weight 123 pounds in the Metropolitan of 1901 and, in the hands of Odom, defeated a big band. A few days later he won the Toboggan with the same jockey and 130 pounds in the saddle. Banastar was twenty-one years old and his death was supposed to be due to heart disease.

Chicago horse market reports of last week say there is no change in the prices being paid in the auctions. The variety wanted by the foreign army inspectors is now great, ranging from light cavalry remounts weighing 900 lbs. or a little better to heavy artillery horses weighing 1,500 lbs. or more. Heavy cavalry horses, light artillery weighing around 1,300 lbs., and the French sorts are all wanted, so that the country consignor who picks his horses wisely in the country need experience little trouble in disposing of them so long as he refuses to take chances. With the number of horses now offering the inspectors are in no hurry to fill out their quota, hence the most of them are quite hard to please. Prices on commercial chunks weighing 1,200 to 1,275 or 1,300 lbs. at the first hands are practically on a par with those paid for medium weights, but selections from among the rejects can be made at a range of $125 to $150. On the generality of commercial chunks the price from consignors is $165 to $185, and eastern buyers are quite exacting at that. Heavier chunks with quality bring from $190 to $215, a few as high as $225, and big horses with quality, weighing over 1,600 lbs., make from $240 to $265. A few of the best can be disposed of at old-time figures. There are very few big horses here, the bulk of the run consisting of chunks weighing from 1,200 to 1,400 lbs. Few buyers were at the auctions this forenoon. Light reject stock sold at all sorts of prices, the decent kind making from $50 to $70, with medium-weight rejects at a range of $75 to $100.

The Ohio half mile racing circuit opened last Tuesday at Cranwood Park, near Cleveland. Several of the Californians expected to start.

Saddle Horse Sale June 20th

Much interest is manifested in the auction sale of saddle horses to be held next Tuesday evening, June 20th, by the Bridgford Company at the Riding Club, 701 Seventh Avenue, San Francisco. The horses, twenty-five in all, will be down from the Bridgford Company's breeding farm at Knightsen the day before the sale. The catalogue which has been issued from the Breeder and Sportsman press has the pedigrees of some great young prospects as well as brood mares and stallions that will be offered.

The mahogany bay stallion Artist Jr., foaled 1904, winner of the blue ribbon at the California State Fair of 1909, first in class and in sweepstake at the same fair of 1910 and winner of the model class at the Fresno fair of 1910, is No. 1 in the catalogue. Artist Jr. was sired by Artist Montrose, winner of the sweepstake at the Chicago World's Fair, he by Artist, the great Kentucky show horse. The dam of Artist Jr. was by Banta Gold Dust, great sire of saddle horses and himself a very handsome member of the famous Gold Dust family. Artist Jr. met with an accident in the winter of 1910 that has prevented his being shown since, but it in no wise affected him for breeding purposes and he is regularly licensed under the State law. He is a proven sire of show winners. His daughter Acme, now in the broodmare ranks, was a frequent winner, and his daughter Candy Kid, owned by Dr. Smyth of Oakland, is another that has won many blue ribbons. His son Dom Pedro was not only a show winner but was sold for $2,000 to the Japanese Association of California and presented to the Emperor of Japan at the time of his coronation. Artist Jr. is to be sold solely for the reason that the young mares retained for breeding on the Bridgford Company farm are nearly all by him and the young stallion Le Grand McDonald, winner of the Junior Championship at the P.-P. I. E. last year, was purchased to mate with them. Artist Jr. should be a good money earner in any practical horseman's hands.

Among others named in the catalogue is Exeter, a five-year-old bay mare by Artist Jr., dam Lady Stam B. by that wonderfully handsome trotting stallion Stam B. 2:11¼. Exeter will be shown under saddle.

Silver Pointer, a four-year-old gelding by Artist Jr. will also be shown under saddle. He is out of a mare by Bayswater Wilkes. Hotspur is a two-year-old gelding, full brother to Exeter. J. T., a two-year-old by the good saddle stallion Jack Rogers, that has been a frequent winner at California fairs. This two-year-old is out of a mare by Artist Jr.

Dorothy Green is the name of a young mare by Artist Jr. out of Lady Crawford by Bayswater Wilkes. Dorothy is but five years old and has a suckling colt by Le Grand McDonald at foot and has been bred back to the same horse. This is an opportunity for some one to secure the nucleus for a saddle horse breeding venture. The mare is a good individual and her colt is a sure show colt.

Azmoorie 2:20¾, one of the best bred mares in the State, was purchased by the Bridgford Company to breed to Artist Jr. She is a pacer and her sire is the great Nutwood Wilkes 2:16¼ and her dam the great brood mare Azrose, dam of Happy Dentist 2:05¾ and two more in the list by Azmoor 2:20½. Azmoorie is the dam of the young stallion Dom Pedro, sold for $2,000 as above noted, has a full brother to that horse at her side, and has been bred to Le Grand McDonald.

Minnie Russell is the name of a three-year-old filly that will be shown under saddle. She is a daughter of Artist Jr. out of a mare by Hollywood, son of Woodnut. The Dutchman is the name of another three-year-old, a gelding by Artist Jr. also to be shown under saddle, and Maxine still another three-year-old by Artist Jr. that will be shown. Maxine is just the thing for a boy or girl to ride as she is perfectly gentle.

Several yearlings will be offered and all are by registered saddle horse sires.

The last horse offered will be the imported French Draft stallion Alexandre, registered in both the French and American stud books. He is a fine individual, and is only sold because nearly all the draft mares now on the farm are by him and must be bred to another horse.

W. H. Hord, the well known live stock auctioneer, will conduct this sale and it will offer an opportunity for the purchase of young saddle stock that is not often met with in California.

The saddle horse sales recently held in New York, Missouri and Kentucky have been most successful, showing that there is an increase in interest in saddle and show horses in this country. That there are future first prize winners among the young things here offered is as certain as they are trained and shown.

Zoe Dillon by Sidney Dillon, Lon McDonald's candidate for the slow trotting classes on the Grand Circuit this year, has been a mile a shade below 2:20 and pleases the watch holders.

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Mary Putney (3) 2:05½ by San Francisco is in the best possible shape this spring according to all reports.

SIGNS OF LIFE IN WASHINGTON.

Clinton A. Harrison, the greatest enthusiast in harness horse breeding and training matters that the Pacific Coast has produced in years, and who never yet was too busy to drop us a line from the tracks he visits, to say a good word for a horseman or to help a fellow sell a horse, sends the Breeder and Sportsman the following:

Seattle, Wash., June 7, 1916.

Don McCrae, sheriff of Everett, Wash., is having his mare Vallejo Girl 2:10¼ trained at Everett by trainer George Small. Vallejo Girl is in fine form and will be raced this year over the North Pacific Circuit.

The new half mile track at Burlington, Skagit county, Wash., is finished. Charles Chambers is the first trainer on the new track and has S. M. Ball's horses headed by the nice Gambetta Wilkes stallion Van Winkle 2:20½ and some of his colts. Van Winkle is a real classy trotter and has good breeding. His register number is 44511. His dam is Delta, dam of Emma Offutt 2:11¼, by Mambrino Startle, and his grandam Delilah by Administrator, is the dam of three standard trotters. Van Winkle's first crop of colts are now coming on and they are nice horses and all show speed.

The half mile track at Lynden, Wash., is a good track. It is almost on a boundary line between Washington and British Columbia and quite a few horses are being trained there, so with all due respect to the pessimistic scribes and hammer artists the harness horse is not quite gone from the State of Washington.

The Southwestern Washington Fair track at Chehalis is in first class shape and several good horses are being trained there.

Over on Gray's Harbor, in the good town of Elma, there is a nice half mile track built and is being maintained by a few good sports and several horses are in regular training.

At the Washington State Fair grounds, North Yakima, a number of classy steeds are being made ready. Trainer Chas. Guion is there with Floradora Z. 2:11¼, Maud Bond, a nice mare by The Bondsman, also a fast green trotter owned by S. M. Ball of Mount Vernon. Guion is also training the good California trotting stallion True Kinney 2:12¼ for his new owner, Mr. F. A. Urban, the writer having recently sold this horse.

Our old California friend, formerly of Woodland, Mr. A. B. Kenney, is also at Yakima training a flock of Hal B. pacing mares.

Over at Walla Walla William Hogoboom is training some extra nice three-year-olds sired by that good son of Peter the Great, Blue Peter 2:16¼. "Huck" also has a few elegant colts sired by Prince Axworthy, a son of Axworthy that is out of a Kentucky Prince mare, and is extra sweet on a three-year-old pacer by Geo. A. Kelly's good sire Bonnie McK.

I am just making mention of these few tracks in Washington and while I am at it will say that while on a visit to Salem, Oregon, last week I saw Ed Keyt and Doctor Smith and Sam Bush all working some very fast horses over the lone tree track. I also saw the best big standard bred stallion it has been my pleasure to see. This horse is 16.2 tall, weighs 1200 pounds and is made like a model. He is a perfect pacer and has been en easy half in 1:03, with a quarter in 30 seconds. He was sired by the good game stallion Prince Seattle 2:18¼ by Stam B. 2:11¼, and is out of a Zombro mare. His owner is just as fine a man as ever trained a horse. His name is John Kirkland and I hope he has all the good luck in the world, for John is all I say and more. He is not only a nice man but a good competent trainer.

Well, they are racing in Canada, in New Jersey, in New York, in Ohio, in Minnesota, and why not in sunny California, Oregon and Washington? Gee Whiz! We are a sleepy bunch.

Yours truly,

C. A. HARRISON.

Wells Fargo & Co. spend about $70,000 a year in California for horses, and over $160,000 are spent annually for supplies for them. The firm makes its own harness and spends $10,000 a year for labor and $11,000 for leather. The firm has on its pay roll in California 2800 people who receive annually in wages about $800,000. Wells, Fargo & Co. use 250 horses and about 16 automobiles in their San Francisco delivery and Manager Christenson never expects this ratio to be changed very much.

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Matt Meek, of Oklahoma, shipped eighteen carloads of horses from California to Oklahoma last week for the use of the allies on the battlefields of Europe. After these horses reach Mr. Weeks' home they will be inspected by the agents of the entente powers and he expects a very small proportion of them will be rejected. Mr. Weeks will visit California again in the near future as he says the demand for horses for the European armies is increasing.

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The E. C. Horst Company at Wheatland, California, has a contract to buy 1000 head of horses for the French government, and has already purchased a large number in the Sacramento valley.

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May Patchen 2:19½, raced in Canada last season, given in the Year Book as "by Patchen," is really a daughter of Joe Patchen II 2:03¾, out of Black Maud 2:18¼.

CAL. STATE FAIR PREMIUM LIST.

The premium list for the California State Fair of 1916 is ready for distribution. It contains the rules and regulations for the 62nd annual fair of the California State Agricultural Society to be held at Sacramento from Saturday, Sept. 2nd to Saturday, Sept. 9th, both dates inclusive.

The prizes in the classes for horses are very liberal this year and should lead to the biggest display of equines ever seen in the State.

The California Stallion Registration Board, to encourage horse breeding in this State offers four cups and $800 in special premiums to be awarded at the State Fair of 1916, for pure bred stallions and jacks and their get, as follows:

Draft stallion any breed and three of his get, trophy cup and $100 to first, $60 to second and $40 to third.

Standard stallion, trotter or pacer, and three of his get, trophy cup and $100 to first, $60 to second and $40 to third.

American Saddle Horse stallion and three of his get, trophy cup and $100 to first, $60 to second and $40 to third.

Jack and three of his get, trophy cup and $100 to first, $60 to second and $40 to third.

In the different draft classes there will be the usual liberal premiums, with numerous special premiums and medals offered by the Percheron Society of America, the Shire Horse Society of England, and the American Shire Horse Association.

There will be liberal prizes for German Coach and Hackney horses with a special prize by the American Hackney Horse Association for the best registered Hackney, stallion, mare or gelding not under 14.2 hands.

Standard Bred Horses are well provided for with classes for the different ages and sexes, stallion with not less than three of his get and mare with not less than two of her foals, as well as the champion stallion cup offered by the American Trotting Register Association to the fair association having the largest number of exhibitors in a class for standard stallion and five of his get four years old and under. The cup to be awarded by the association winning it to the stallion which shall be decided to be the best in that class.

Five gaited Saddle Horses are provided with many classes and liberal premiums. For the best stallion four years old and over the prizes will be $50, $25 and $15. The classes three years and under will be awarded $25, $15 and $10 in each class. Mares four years old and over $30, $20 and $10; the three and two-year-old classes will get $25, $15 and $10, and one year and under will receive $20, $10 and $5. Many prizes will be offered for geldings, with a sweepstake of $75, $40 and $25 for stallion, mare or gelding. The American Saddle Horse Breeders' Association will give a trophy valued at $100 for stallion or mare to be shown to hand. Competition for this trophy is limited to horses owned in California. Then there is the State Fair stake for five gaited saddle horses, $250 for the senior class, any age or sex, and $250 for the junior class, any sex, four years old or under. The money will be divided 50, 25, 15, and 10 per cent in each stake. Entries will close August 2nd.

There will also be prizes for three gaited saddle horses, combination saddle horses, high school horses, California stock horses, road teams, Shetlands and ponies other than Shetland, and for work teams, draft horses in harness, mules in harness, etc.

Horse owners should send to Secretary Chas. Paine, Sacramento, Cal., for one of the premium lists. They give all the premiums, rules, etc.

STATE FAIR NOTES.

An art exhibit that will far exceed anything yet seen at a California State Fair will be made in the new Women's Building at Agricultural Park this year. An effort will be made to make the exhibit of oil paintings one of the most extensive ever made on this coast.

Two locomotives in collision will again be one of the features of the State Fair this year. As a "thriller" it has proved a success and draws more people at the gate than any other attraction.

A first aid mine rescue, with ten teams competing, has been definitely settled upon by the State Fair directors as one of the features for this year's fair. It proved a big sensation at the P.-P. I. E. and has much educational value.

Judges have been selected as follows for the animal contests this year: Professor E. A. Trowbridge of the department of animal industry, University of Missouri, judge at horse show and on beef cattle; Professor E. W. Major of Los Angeles, judge on dairy cattle; Walter Gatton of Calexico, judge on Duroc Jersey futurity; F. M. Laip of San Jose, judge of Poland-China futurity; Professor J. I. Thompson of Davis, judge of sheep; Mrs. E. P. Thayer of Ontario, Cal., judge of fine arts; Robert V. Moore of Los Angeles, judge of pigeons; C. G. Hinds of Oakland, judge of poultry.

SAN FRANCISCO HAY MARKET.

Fancy wheat hay (light bales), $14.50 to $15.50; No. 1 wheat or wheat and oat, $12 to $13.50; No. 2, wheat or wheat and oat, $9 to $11.50; choice tame oat, $14 to $15; other tame oat, $12 to $13.50; barley, $10.50 to $12.50; wild oat, $10 to $12; alfalfa, $8 to $12; stock hay, $7.50 to $9; No. 1 barley straw, 25c to 40c.

THE SIRE OF LEATA J. 2:03.

The subject of this sketch is "Royal McKinney," or "Old Royal" as he is affectionately called by his friends. Not because of his age, having been foaled in 1902, but rather because of his staple character and fine individuality.

Thirty-seven years ago, in 1879, the late Dr. Pardee, of Oakland, whose son afterwards became Governor of California, came to me with a little old-fashioned bob-tailed bay mare that he wished to mate with the stallion Santa Claus 2:17½ that I then had at the old Oakland Trotting Park. He said he thought a great deal of that little old mare. Though she was short of tail she was long on pugnacity, which was later better understood when it was found that she was by "Bull Pup" or Road House St. Lawrence, as that horse was sometimes called. The Doctor's faith in her sire materialized as this same "Bull Pup" was the grandsire of Directum 2:05¼, Hulda 2:08½ and Dione 2:07¼, the dam of Bernice R. 2:07¼. So I mated this "Bull Pup" mare of the Doctor's with Santa Claus, the champion five-year-old stallion of his day, and the sire of William Penn 2:07, Sidney the greatest of all early and extreme speed sires, sire of Sidney Dillon, the sire of Lou Dillon 1:58 and seven in 2:07 or better. The product of this union was a filly afterwards known as Nellie Grant. She was subsequently mated with Director 2:17 and produced a colt that was named Live Oak Hero. This colt was never track broke and his opportunities in the stud were therefore restricted. He was given a few good mares however, two of which were daughters of Dexter Prince—the produce of one being J. T. 2:12½, sire of Lillian R. 2:04¼, dam of Peter Mac, perhaps the fastest of living stallions. The other daughter of Dexter Prince was a mare called Kitty and she was out of Brownie by Capt. Lewis. Her foal by Live Oak Hero was a filly and was named Hattie Hero. She was in turn mated with the great McKinney and the result was the subject of this sketch, Royal McKinney.

It appears that the irony of fate is the heritage of this somewhat obscure sire, as was the case with many of his predecessors. Bred and raised by a country gentleman, his best years were restricted to a few of his owner's roadster mares and to neighborly courtesies. No line of publicity on cross-roads cards ever bespoke his lineage or solicited his services. He simply lived the life of a country gent. and gratified the whims and fancies of his affluent owner. It was not until reverses forced him upon the auction block that any opportunities in the stud offered themselves and then only of an ordinary character. Up to this time but five of his get have ever seen the inside of a race track. These are Leata J. 2:03, whose grand circuit performances of 1914 are but recent incidents and placed her among the foremost racing mares of her day, and I may add that she was the only one of the five who was given the opportunity her lineage deserved. Another was Blanche A. mat. 2:13, and Lloyd A. trial 2:13, both trotters that showed two-minute speed. Since Royal McKinney's transfer of ownership, which occurred some four years ago, his opportunities have been somewhat extended though but few of his mares could be classed as fashionable along current blood lines. There is a two-year-old colt called The Orphan by Royal McKinney that is a good one. His dam is by Derby Ash, second dam by Mambrino Wilkes and third dam by Gen. McClellan. He had his first harness on the 19th of March, and last Saturday stepped a mile in 2:22½. He is owned by Mr. J. Aker of Stockton.

The unfortunate fate of many great sires hangs over the head of Old Royal through no fault of his. His name may never grace the pages of the Great Book of classic lineage; but be that as it may, his name may yet go into memory's pages with greater laurels. My faith in his blood lines classes him with all of our great sires of speed, the four greatest of which may be mentioned as California's galaxy: Santa Claus, Director, McKinney and Dexter Prince. Three of them great race horses, and the fourth would have been, but for his unsoundness. Dexter Prince was undoubtedly the fastest son of Kentucky Prince. I have often timed him eighths in 15 seconds for Richard Havey at Palo Alto.

Respectfully,

JOHN ROWEN.

Stockton, Cal.

STOCK SHOW FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

An annual live stock show with entries open to the world is to be held in San Francisco late in the fall each year, if the plans inaugurated at a meeting of representative merchants and stock men held in this city last Tuesday, materialize. Mr. R. B. Hale presided at the meeting and set forth the purpose for which the meeting had been called. Among the speakers were M. H. Tichenor of the Palo Alto Stock Farms, W. Mayo Newhall, W. S. Gilford of Orland, B. F. Schlesinger, A. Christenson, George Tourny, A. P. Giannini, F. S. Moody, F. W. Van Sicklen, Edgar J. de Pue and Frederick J. Koster.

It was the consensus of opinion that there is a great need of such a show in California as a means of standardization in live stock of the state, and the educational features that such shows offer to producers. The plan is to make the show the court of last appeal on awards for live stock for the entire Pacific Coast, coming at a date after awards have been made by State and county fairs and other exhibits. The figure of $10,000 has been tentatively agreed upon for cash prizes and awards, and this amount is already practically assured.

A committee consisting of W. Mayo Newhall, chairman; A. W. Foster, vice-chairman; M. H. Tichenor, William T. Sesnon, A. P. Giannini and B. F. Schlesinger was appointed to discuss arrangements and plans for the show and report back at an early day to the main body with recommendations. The committee will meet next Tuesday afternoon at the Chamber of Commerce for its first meeting.

WILL MURPHY LEAD AGAIN THIS YEAR?

While at this writing, weeks before the opening of the Grand Circuit, the prospects of the Poughkeepsie wizard, Tom Murphy, sweeping the platter in the rich trotting stakes of the big ring do not look as bright as they did at the same time in 1915, yet advices from the training camp on the banks of the historic Hudson are to the effect that his two most prominent candidates for these events are coming along nicely in their work, and as both showed themselves to be right as 2:05 trotters last season, Murphy must be considered a dangerous factor. Of course Peter Mac, with a mile officially to his credit in 2:03½, is the most highly tried trotter ever to be staked through the big ring, while Mabel Trask, the smooth-going chestnut mare, which "Long Shot" Cox drove a trial mile in 2:04¼, is another which is enjoying early-season favoritism over the pair from the Murphy stable.

Last season Murphy had the $30,000 Peter Scott as his dependence for the rich plums of the major circuit, and the rough-going, bulldog trotter was the one picked by the majority of the critics to lead the money winners, which he did, and set a record for money winnings for future generations to shoot at. Peter, however, did not have such highly tried opponents, although he was trimmed in the M. and M. by Lee Axworthy, which, a few weeks later, took a record of 2:03¼, but the Cleveland colt did not retain his form and gave the Murphy kale collector no further trouble after the passage-at-arms in the local classic. Peter Scott was a high-class 2:05 trotter, but when asked to go faster was a bit short, as evidenced by his being beaten two heats by Lee Axworthy in 2:04¾, and one heat by Bonnington in the same time. It was the bulldog courage, the fact that he apparently never knew when he was beaten that put Peter Scott ahead of all the money winners.

The pair upon which Murphy will place his main reliance in the stakes this summer are Trampright (2:08¼) and Vanko (2:06¼), both seasoned race horses, which have been tried and not found wanting in the Grand Circuit crucible. The former was but a four-year-old last season and won several races for Murphy on the big ring—in fact, he won all of his starts, and, curiously enough, he took his best record in a heat in which he defeated by a head his now stable companion, Vanko. The colt was raced over the half-mile tracks in 1914 and took a record of 2:09¼ in a trial against the watch.

After Trampright won at Columbus last fall Murphy decided not to start him again, not desiring to take a chance of getting him out of his class. However, at Lexington he gave him the acid test against the watch, the youngster going to the half in 1:04¼ and finishing the mile in 2:05 flat, the last half in 1:00¾. On another occasion he trotted a quarter in :29½, which shows that he has that always necessary "lick," one of the prime essentials of a successful race horse. His record was taken over a muddy track, and outside watches caught the mile in 2:07½. He is a small horse, but stout-made, and made but one break, I believe, in his 1915 races.

Vanko is a Canadian product, and was one of the best half-mile trotters of the past season. He campaigned through Michigan and Ohio on the two-lap tracks, taking on such stars of the minor circuits as Jack K., Billy Bing, Mr. Forbes, etc., and he was a frequent winner and took a record of 2:11¼. His one essay in a race for the money in select company was in the race previously mentioned at Columbus, where he compelled Trampright to take a record which eliminated him from the 2:10 classes.

The Columbus trainer, Denny Valentine, had an option on Vanko at Lexington and drove him a mile in 2:06¼, but for some reason the deal fell through and Murphy stepped in and purchased the horse for one of his patrons, the price paid being something like $5,000. If one or both of these trotters should prove stars this summer the profit would be greater than in 1913, for the pair did not cost much more than 25 per cent of what was paid for Peter Scott.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Shorthorns are bringing big prices. The Chicago Live Stock World reports three recent auctions of animals of this breed as follows: "Shorthorns are selling some. The Saunders sale averaged $1045.75 on fifty head, the Stanton sale averaged $1164.82 on twenty-six head and Carpenter & Ross' sale averaged $1,000 on fifty-seven head. The highest price of the last named sale was $5,000 paid for the roan bull Lord Avondale, calved April 28, 1913. He was purchased by Jess Andrews of West Point, Indiana."

H. K. Devereux, president of the Grand Circuit, has been invited to judge the trotters in harness in company with Rensselaer Weston at the New York State Fair horse show in September.

FOUR STRAIGHT FOR BRADMONT.

At last Sunday's matinee of the San Francisco-California Driving Club at Golden Gate Park track, four races were carded and furnished a large crowd with some good sport. The 2:20 pace, 2:15 pace and free-for-all trot were at three-quarter mile heats, but the free-for-all pace in which Bradmont, Emma M., W. J. K. and Senator H. were starters was at mile heats. Bradmont should have won in straight heats, but lost a toe weight in the first heat and finished second to Emma M. in 2:14. He took the next two, however, handily in 2:13 and 2:12.

Silver Logan and Cookey were the contenders in the first race in which there were four starters and the first named won, although he lost the second heat in faster time than his winning heats were paced in.

Victor Pointer and Pointer Belle had quite a duel in the second race, while Merrylina won the last race in straight heats. The summaries:

2:20 pace, three-quarters of a mile:

Silver Logan	(D. Healy)	1	3	1
Cookey	(J. Vermet)	2	1	2
Dibble Wilkes	(S. Benson)	4	2	4
Rose O.	(James J. Ryan)	3	4	3

Time—1:45, 1:46½, 1:45¾.

2:15 pace, three-quarters of a mile:

Victor Pointer	(D. Keating)	2	1	1
Pointer Belle	(Kidd & Luce)	1	2	2

Time—1:41½, 1:41, 1:45½.

Free-for-all pace, one mile:

Bradmont	(G. J. Giannini)	2	1	1
Emma M.	(William Malough)	1	2	3
W. J. K.	(W. J. Kenney)	4	3	2
Senator H.	(J. M. Kidd)	3	4	4

Time—2:14, 2:13, 2:12.

Free-for-all trot, three-quarters of a mile:

Merrylina	(J. H. Wilkins)	1	1	
Yoncalla	(A. Giavonnetti)	2	2	
Minequa	(M. Ford)	4	3	
Petrina	(Al Schwartz)	3	4	

Time—1:40, 1:40.

GETTING READY AT THE BAKER, ORE., TRACK.

As usual the trainers at the Baker track are wearing a broad smile. The reasons for this are: The weather is all that could be desired, the track is in first-class condition, and the horses are working in a satisfactory manner. There are about twenty head in training. These trainers believe in preparedness, as is shown by the condition of the majority of the horses. No fast miles have been asked of any of them as yet, for the reason that they will not ship to early meetings, but they will be ready to try conclusions when the foreign "bear cats" arrive.

Chas. Butcher has five head. His string is headed by Harold Welcome p. 2:09¼, by Welcome; Terry McGregor p., no record, by Gregmont; a three-year-old green pacer by Joe Brady; Alice DeForest, three-year-old trotter, by DeForest; and Bonfire, two-year-old trotter, by Gamax. This colt is learning fast and has every appearance of developing into a very useful trotter.

Chas. Willbourne and Thos. Brady are working seven head. Haltamont p. 2:05¼, by Hal B.; Maurice S. p. 2:06, by King S.; Delmas p. 2:09¼, by Dialect; Amy McKinney, trotter, no record, by Capt. McKinney; Ben T., four-year-old trotter, by McV.; Byron Regent, p., four-year-old, green, by Royal Regent, dam Ina Barondale, and a promising two-year-old trotter. J. B. Rogers has very recently commenced his work with his trotter Royal Meath, who shows plenty of "pep" and is going good.

Pierce & Son are training six runners, headed by the breadwonner Isom. Unfortunately Isom stepped on a nail which has kept him out of training, but he is fast rounding to and promises to be himself at an early date. Several other good ones are included in this stable.

Frank Speelman has the big Harney Valley horse, Waumpus Cat, and Thos. Caine has Marwood. Plume and Black Sam, belonging to S. Palmer, have gone to the early meetings.

Oregon Joe and several other local horses have created no little excitement in running circles, the result being about three matched races a week for stakes amounting to from $20 to $50 a race.

More interest is being manifested in racing here than there has been in years. Several other stables are expected here soon to complete their training season. All the members of the Intermountain Circuit are showing commendable interest and the result is bound to be some of the best racing in the West.

Yours truly,

JOSEPH WADDELL.

Dick Benson, who was a prominent trotting horse trainer years ago but who turned his attention to the runners and has been in charge of the thoroughbreds owned by James Butler of Eastview Farm, New York, since 1913, died suddenly on Monday, June 5th, at his old home in Kansas City. Benson visited California during the winter of 1901 and later purchased The Roman (son of McKinney and Wanda) from the late Frank H. Burke and drove the gelding to his record of 2:09¼ in a winning race at Providence, Rhode Island, in September, 1902. Benson was successful as a trainer with both trotters and runners. Among the trotters that he successfully handled were the sensational Ryland T. 2:07¾, John Nolan 2:08 and The Roman, the two latter being winners of The Charter Oak. Benson was about 60 years of age and unmarried. He died of Bright's disease.

White Sox has been declared out of the two-minute pace at Poughkeepsie.

Santa Rosa's Great Festival

The entire program for the great Forest Festival and Agricultural District Fair to be held at Santa Rosa, August 7th to 13th inclusive, is announced by Secretary Edward H. Brown and every person who reads it will want to be present when the big fair and festival opens on Monday, the first day, and when he gazes at the wondrous displays that will be made in the beautiful forest of trees out at the Santa Rosa Fair Grounds, and sees the live stock display and the handsome horses being made ready for the races which begin on Wednesday under the auspices of the Pacific Trotting Horse Breeders' Association, he will want to remain until the last light is put out on the following Sunday evening. It will surely be a great week, as the following program shows:

Monday, August 7, 1916.

1:30 p. m.—Opening of Fair Grounds to public. Music and orations for the occasion.
2:30 p. m.—Better baby show.
4:00 p. m.—Judging of horticultural products.
7:30 p. m.—Grand Ball and promenade through the beautiful forest decorated with horticultural, agricultural and manufactured products.

Tuesday, August 3—Children's Day.

10:00 a. m.—Judging of agricultural products.
11:00 a. m.—Judging of live stock.
1:30 p. m.—Stock parade.
3:00 p. m.—Forest carnival events.
8:00 p. m.—Dance and special events on midway.

Wednesday, August 9—Pomona Grange's Day.

10:00 a. m.—Judging of manufactured products.
2:00 p. m.—Races, P. C. T. H. B. A.:
Three-year-old pacing division, Futurity Stake No. 13 (closed 1912).....$1300
2:09 class, trotting..... 500
2:20 class, pacing 900
8:00 p. m.—Dance. Special events on midway. Chorus of 300 voices.

Thursday, August 10—Petaluma and Marin Co. Day.

10:00 a. m.—Judging of mammoth egg exhibit.
11:00 a. m.—Address on scientific poultry raising.
2:00 p. m.—Races, P. C. T. H. B. A.:
Two-year-old trotting division, Futurity Stake No. 14 (closed 1913).....$1350
2:15 class, trotting..... 900
2:10 class, pacing 500
8:00 p. m.—Dance. Special events on midway.

Friday, August 11—Northern Sonoma and Mendocino County Day.

10:00 a. m.—Stock parade.
2:00 p. m.—Races, P. C. T. H. B. A.:
Two-year-old pacing division, Futurity Stake No. 14 (closed 1913).....$1100
Three-year-old trotting division Futurity Stake No. 13 (closed 1912).... 3300
2:13 class, pacing 900
8:00 p. m.—Dance. Special events on midway.
10:30 p. m.—Mammoth bonfire. Baked Burbank potato festivity.

Saturday, August 12—San Francisco and Oakland Day

10:00 a. m.—Reception of visitors.
2:00 p. m.—Races, P. C. T. H. B. A.:
2:12 class, trotting.....$500
Free-for-all class, pacing 900
2:20 class, trotting..... 900
8:00 p. m.—Dance. Special events on midway.
10:30 p. m.—Barbecue.

Sunday, August 13.

10:00 a. m.—Inspection of horticultural, agricultural, manufactured and stock exhibits.
2:00 p. m.—Concerts.
3:00 p. m.—Drill by Company E., National Guards.

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The latest report from Patchen Wilkes Farm, the home of Peter Volo 2:02, writes A. G. Asdikian, was that the champion had already served forty-two mares and more were waiting, so that the number will exceed fifty. The demand for the services of Peter Mac 2:03½ appears to be equally brisk in Kentucky, where he is now located, but how many have been bred to him is not given out, while Lord Dewey 2:03¾ will be at his old stand to represent the Bingen family with Etawah 2:03 as grandson and great-grandson of that famous sire, respectively. None of this noted four have yet produced standard speed and it will be some time before their merits will be proven as begetters of their kind—youngsters with extreme speed and racehorses of quality, but as the choicest of matrons are being bred to them, and will be each season, their names will be recorded on the list of standard speed sires long before the younger ones reach the age of ten, or soon be forgotten as failures. As sensational colt trotters and racehorses, both Etawah and Peter Volo have retired to the stud with fixed and proven reputations, the latter with a year in his favor, and will attract patronage from owners of the best bred mares for several years to come, as the champion, The Harvester, has. Peter Mac, although a phenomenal trotter still has to prove his ability as a racehorse also, with the final result that the trio will occupy a prominent and interesting position in breeding ranks never held by a group of speedier stallions.

SUISUN STOCK FARM'S SALE.

The annual sale of the colts and fillies bred on this famous speed breeding farm will be held at Suisun on Saturday, July 1st, this year. There are an even dozen highly bred two-year-olds, all unbroken, but in fine order and ready to begin on. Eight are by that highly bred young sire Montbaine 48667, son of the great Moko out of the famous broodmare Krem Marie, dam of 4, by the ex-champion trotting stallion Kremlin 2:07¾. The other four are by Suisun Farm's great sire of speed Demonio 2:11¼, sire of 8 in the 2:10 list. The colts and fillies to be offered are as follows:

By Montbaine 48667.

Bay filly, dam Minerva, dam of Denervo 2:06½, Solano Boy 207 and Ben Rush 2:10½, by Guy Wilkes 2:15¼.
Bay filly, dam Edna Earle by Demonio 2:11¼.
Black filly, dam Nellie T. (dam of Little Babe and Delmonio) by Dawn 2:18¾, son of Nutwood.
Bay filly, dam Coronio by Demonio 2:11¼.
Chestnut filly, dam Normonio, sister to Memonio 2:09½ by Demonio 2:11¼.
Bay gelding, dam Laura Demonio by Demonio 2:11¼.
Bay filly, dam Janice by Demonio 2:11¼.
Bay gelding, dam Eva Demonio by Demonio 2:11¼.

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Brown gelding, dam Corinne by California Nutwood 15119.
Bay filly, dam Mamie Airlie by Prince Airlie 28045.
Bay gelding, dam Corasham by Athasham 2:09¼.
Bay gelding, dam Margaret Hunt, sister to Prof. Heald 2:09½, by Nutwood Wilkes 2:16¼.

All the above two-year-olds are bred in producing lines. Their dams are either producers or out of producing mares and there are no better bred youngsters to be found on any stock farm anywhere.

The Suisun Stock Farm never by-bids at any of its sales. Every animal offered will go for what it will bring. This will be a great opportunity for those who desire to buy a youngster that can be raced next year on the circuit or at the matinees. Remember that from the Suisun Stock Farm sales have come such good ones as Airlie Demonio 2:05½, Denervo 2:06¼, Potrero Boy 2:06¼, Nordwell 2:08½, Oro Mo 2:09¼, Memonio 2:09½, Demonio Wilkes 2:09¾ and many others. The sale will take place at Suisun at 2 p. m. July 1st, there being trains on the Southern Pacific to that town from all points that will enable persons residing in San Francisco, Oakland, San Jose, Pleasanton, Stockton, Sacramento, Woodland, Marysville or any other point within a radius of 100 miles of Suisun, to reach that town in time for the sale and to return home the same evening.

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BIG ENTRY LIST AT LEXINGTON.

Lexington, Ky., June 10.—Four hundred and twelve entries have been made in the eight fixed events and kept good in the four Kentucky Futurity divisions of the Kentucky Trotting Horse Breeders' Association for its annual meeting Oct. 2 to 14. This means an average of a fraction over thirty-four per race, which figure sets the high mark for the year.

The principal event is, of course, the great trotting classic, the Transylvania, a $5,000 event for 2:08 trotters, starters to be named Sept. 15. Eighteen have taken subscriptions as follows:

Pastime stable, Duquesne stable, A. McDonald, E. F. Geers, W. R. Cox, Thomas W. Murphy, W. G. Durfee, Thomas D. Bell, L. W. Fischer, C. L. Gloyd, agent; Harvey Ernest, Dick McMahon, V. L. Shuler, Brook Farm, Beau Ideal Stock Farm, Saugerties Farm, Samuel Harris and David Cahill.

Inasmuch as starters do not have to be named till Sept. 15 it would be mere guesswork to say just what horses will be in the field, but the names above naturally suggest such stars as Mabel Trask 2:14¾, Ima Jay 2:11¼, Peter Mc 2:03½, Trampright 2:08¼, Rusticoat 2:08¼, Ames Albingen 2:07¾, St. Frisco 2:07¼, Omar 2:05¼, Junior Watts 2:11¼, Peter McCormack 2:05½, Axtien 2:06¼ and Virginia Barnette 2:08¼.

The Castleton Cup, $3,000 for 2:07 trotters, has received the entry of twenty-three of the best racers now in training. It is likely the field will include a number of Transylvania starters, as it will be carded the second week.

The three-year-old Kentucky Futurity has fifty trotters and twelve pacers. The trotting wing of this division is worth $14,000 and always produces a battle royal between the greatest colt trotters of the year. This, the twenty-fourth renewal, will be one of the most brilliant contests in the history of the stake.

The Kentucky, a $2,000 event for three-year-old trotters and sort of companion race for the Futurity, has fifty entries. The starters in it will be made up largely of the Futurity field with the winner of the latter barred, lending a new interest.

Sixty-eight sterling youngsters have made the payment in the two-year-old Futurity and in its companion race, the Lexington, $2,000 for two-year-old trotters, fifty have been entered. In it the two-year-old Futurity winner will be barred, adding to the uncertainty as to the ultimate winner.

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Koh-I-Noor, winner of the Fashion Stakes, was purchased for $800 as a yearling by William Karrick, acting for Schuyler L. Parsons. She is the best of Dr. Leggo's get that has come to the races in many years.

A FALSE BELIEF.

Superstitions and beliefs founded upon "signs" exist to a certain extent with a very large proportion of the people of the entire world, largely based upon legends and folk tales of the past, yet just the same having an effect upon many whose business training and education would seem to have certainly placed them at a point where only facts would be considered.

The often expressed belief, that a pure going trotter cannot last out a prolonged race because his method of progress is so natural and easy that he must necessarily run down, seems to us one of the greatest fallacies that has ever been called to our attention.

We recognize the fact that it is not possible for any performer to win a race when the demands upon his speed and vitality encroach upon and exhaust his reserve force to a greater degree than is demanded of his competitors in the same event, but we know, beyond any question of a doubt, that a pure gaited performer of equal constitution with one of rough gait, cannot possibly make an equal drain upon the aforesaid reserve. This is a matter that is easy of demonstration ,as it is only necessary to watch a laborer of any sort and speedily we become aware of the fact that the one who performs his daily stunt without any false motions finds, at the end of the day, the greater record of work accomplished to his credit.

Applying the old geometrical theorem, proven beyond any question of disputation, that "a straight line is the shortest distance between two points" we necessarily must arrive at the conclusion that any unnecessary effort on the part of a man or horse, any useless movement, must beyond a shadow of a doubt decrease the production of the laborer, or the speed of the animal.

How then can we explain the remarks of the trainers and grooms that so-and-so is rough gaited and does not tire as quickly as a pure gaited horse would? Or, on the other hand, how can we explain the fact that the trainer spends hours in shoeing, balancing, and booting a horse to improve his gait? The above two questions are absolutely contradictory, and we are thereupon placed in the position that we must judge as to which has the most evidence in support of it.

It is not a criminal matter wherein we are bound to convict our opponent beyond the shadow of a doubt, on the other hand it is a civil question upon which the preponderance of evidence controls the verdict.

Such being the case, and our hands not being tied by any technical rules of evidence that will prevent us from submitting the actual truth for the consideration of our readers, a study of the champions of the past, the horses that not only promised but delivered great feats, would certainly seem to us to be proper in this connection.

What rough gaited trotter ever beat Uhlan 1:58? How many trotters of any kind ever beat this champion in a race? Name over the horses that beat the champion stallion, The Harvester 2:01. Did any man, woman or child ever look at a better going trotter than Etawah 2:03? Can any person point to an exhibition of gameness surpassing that of this great stallion?

Never before was a three-year-old asked to do what he did at Columbus on Friday and then but a few days later win a Kentucky Futurity.

How about Peter Volo 2:02, Lee Axworthy 2:03¼, Sweet Marie 2:02, and a host of others?

Were they accused of showing the white feather very often? Did any rough going trotters ever outrace them?

Hamburg Belle 2:01¼, holder of the fastest race record for one mile and for two consecutive heats (2:01¼ and 2:01¾) was never faulted as regards her gait, and sweet little Alix 2:03¾, while a trifle rough in a mile in 2:15, was simply the poetry of motion at speed.

We have not cited all of the champions above but we have named those whose feats still stand supreme in the harness horse world, and yet not a one reached their pinnacle of greatness through other than the best of gaits.

Does it not therefore seem almost in the light of a joke to hear any one claim that roughness of gait predicates a game disposition?

Ask a trainer to name the rough gaited horses that now hold world's records. Then ask him what course of preparation he puts a horse through in preparing him for market and inquire why he does everything within his knowledge and power to improve his gait.

Why, if a rough gaited horse is desirable, does he expend all of his energy in improving his method of going?

It is certainly reasonable to conclude that a trotter is, to a certain extent, very much like a piece of machinery, and we know that machinery lasts longer and does better work when properly adjusted.

In the case of all the great performers heretofore named in this article, we can continually find that they proved the geometrical theorem above referred to, "a straight line is the shortest distance between two points," and we unhesitatingly state our belief that they were great only because of their purity of gait. No analysis of the subject enables us to subscribe to the doctrine that a pure gaited horse will run down before a rough gaited one, if the conditions are equal and no greater demand is made of the one than of the other.—American Sportsman.

Notes and News

Reno entries close next Tuesday, June 20th.

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Fresno entries will close Monday, June 26th. All purses re-opened.

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Three stakes, the 2:09 trot, the 2:10 pace and the 2:12 trot, have been re-opened by the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders Association, entries to close July 3rd.

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Havis James is said to have the best string of horses he has had in years, and is located at Detroit.

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Trotter and Pacer calls My Irene S. (2) 2:28¾ by Petigru 2:10½ a 100 per cent mare, as every one of her foals has taken a standard record.

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The Bridgford Company's auction sale of saddle horses will be held next Tuesday evening at the Riding Club, 701 Seventh Avenue, San Francisco.

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Dates have already been announced for ninety-three trotting meetings in the State of New York this year. New York horsemen do not have to go far to start a horse.

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The Sonoma Driving Club will hold its first matinee of the season at Santa Rosa track Sunday, June 25th. There is great friendly rivalry between the club's members as to the speed of their horses.

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Sired by a $50,000 stallion, out of a former star of the Grand Circuit, and a full brother to a trotter that has been priced at $125,000, is the story that goes with the colt by Peter the Great 2:07¼ that Lillian R. 2:04¼ foaled last week.

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There were some half mile races held at Wartsburg, Washington, May 27th, and a green pacer named Wallace Hal won in three straight heats from a lot of old campaigners, the heats being right around 1:05.

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The courts have found against Mike McDevitt, who brought suit against W. E. D. Stokes for $1,000, alleging that it was due him as having marked the first trotter by Peter the Great 2:07¼ (Grace 2:04¾) to beat 2:05, according to a public offer made by the then-owner of the stallion.

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John B. Stetson, formerly of Salem, Oregon, is now in charge of the breeding operations at Midway Stock Farm, Kearney, Neb. Robert Bingen 2:11¼ and Judge Maxey, son of Axworthy, are the stallions in service. Over 100 mares are being served by the above named stallions. Mr. Stetson is a busy man. All the mares being bred are by popular sires.

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The Latonia Derby, which carries $10,000 in added money, is the last of the big stakes of the Kentucky season and will be run off today at the Latonia track. There were sixty nominations to this stake, and it is expected the race will result in one of the greatest contests in the history of the event.

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Miss Katherine Herman of Everett, Washington, is the owner, driver and trainer of the fast Diablo pacing mare Elfreda D. 2:12¼. Miss Herman is a real lover of her horses. In addition to Elfreda D. she owns a very nice two-year-old colt by Frank H., son of Ira Wilkes. Miss Herman insists on driving her own horses and says that she likes the sport.

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The once-famous pacer Shadow Chimes 2:05, the 20-year-old son of Chimes and Charmer, by Mambrino King, that Ed. Geers campaigned 15 years ago, was sold for $184 at auction recently, at Charlottetown, P. E. I. Now when there is an authentic report of a twenty-year-old automobile selling for that amount, we'll admit that the benzine wagon is crowding the horse a little.

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The big horse sales of Missouri, Kentucky, Ohio and New York have demonstrated that there is little demand for the "family horse." But high class saddle horses are commanding better prices than ever before known. One of the features of the New York sales is that long tailed horses are the ones wanted most, as they outsell the dock tailed fellows. Every metropolitan paper is reporting the establishment of riding clubs and there is a 'back' to the saddle" movement that extends all over the country.

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H. K. Devereux visited Atlanta, Georgia, recently and writes enthusiastically about the new track there which has come into the Grand Circuit. He says the grounds cost at least $200,000. It is a mile track around a lake, the water conveniently near the inner rail the entire distance, as to afford a pleasant bath should the driver go over the fence. While he could wade ashore near the inner rail, were he to go far out he would find from 50 to 100 feet of water. It is a natural amphitheatre with the grandstand on a side hill. One can sit and let one's feet hang over and see every foot of the track.

John Ray of Cleveland, Ohio, has refused $500 for his Robert Bingen yearling colt. Mr. Ray says this colt and a couple of True Kinney colts are stemjiggers, which means they are just right in every way.

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A. R. Miller of Vancouver, B. C., has sold his trotting stallion Bonaday 2:11¼ to parties in Saskatoon, Canada. Mr. Miller reports horse interests in and around Vancouver as being quite lively.

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A representative of a San Francisco firm was in Hollister last week offering alfalfa growers a contract price of $12 for their 1916 hay crop exclusive of the first cutting, which is usually undesirable on account of weeds and foul stuff.

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Rennselaer Weston, the successful secretary of the Goshen track, states that he receives countless letters from racing secretaries all over the country asking for information as to how the Goshen meeting is made such a success. The recipe is given by him in two words: "Printers' Ink."

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Suisun Stock Farm, Rush & Haile proprietors, will hold its annual sale of trotting bred stock on Satur, day, July 1st. Twelve two-year-olds are to be sold this time . They are by the great speed sire Demonio 2:11¼, sire of 8 in 2:10, and by Montbaine 48667, the highly bred young son of Moko.

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Of the $35,000 added money attached to the next Melbourne Cup, $7,000 will go to the second horse and $3,500 to third. Last year second money was $8,000 and third $4,000. Even on the reduced scale, second and third moneys will make satisfactory consolation prizes.

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The Silva stable of campaigners which Lon Daniels will race through the east comprises five pacers and two trotters. The pacers are Bondalean 2:08¼, Potrero Boy 2:06¼, John Malcolm 2:11½, Graustark by Aerolite and Col. Mazuma by Demonio. The trotters are San Felipe 2:09¼ and Kid Cupid 2:08¾.

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There are now about twenty horses in training on the Stockton track, varying in age and speed from Leata J. 2:03 to the yearling Walter Mac. C. J. Jones has eight trotters and pacers in his stable, H. W. Williams four or five, Farmer Bunch three, and A. T. Jackson a half-dozen.

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The Illinois Jockey Club, Chicago, will give thirteen days of racing at the Hawthorne race course, opening Saturday, July 15, and closing Saturday, July 29. Frank A. Froehling is president of the club; E. V. Beifeld, secretary and treasurer, and M. Nathanson racing secretary. Capt. T. J. Clay will be the presiding judge and J. F. Milton starter.

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The class for ladies' saddle horses, ladies to ride at the Commencement Horse Show of the Missouri Agricultural College, this year, was one of the best and closest contests ever seen. The veteran horseman Tom Bass remarked during the show that the judges could have tied the blue ribbon on any one of the six horses without making a mistake, so closely did the entrants figure. The Missouri Stockman said that every mount was a lady's horse and every exhibitor worthy of a prize as a rider. Miss Myrene Houchin on Nickle Plate was awarded the blue ribbon.

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John Rowen of Stockton, who furnishes our readers this week with a very interesting sketch of Royal McKinney, the sire of Leata J. 2:03, is himself the owner of a young stallion that should be well patronized by breeders. This young horse is by The Bondsman, dam Modesto by Mendocino, son of Electioneer, second dam Clarion 2:25¾ by Ansel 2:20, another son of Electioneer; third dam Consolation by Dictator 113, fourth dam Belle by Norman 25, fifth dam Vic by Mambrino Chief 11, and on without a break to the eighth dam. The second, third, fourth and fifth dams of this colt are each the dams of two or more trotters with standard records. This colt is a good individual, and as Mr. Rowen says, "He has breeding a-plenty."

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Owing to the fact that many entries for the harness races at the Fresno District Fair were received too late, the association has decided to extend the date of closing to June 26th. It is believed that every one of the eight races advertised will fill at that time. Secretary Eberhart has returned all the entries to the parties making them with a request to re-enter on or before June 26th. Ten per cent discount will be allowed on every entry that is accompanied by the entry fee. As all the purses are $600 each, the entry fee will be $30, or $27 if the cash is sent.

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Fire destroyed one of the large stables at the Stockton track last Wednesday. Few particulars of the fire have been received but it is learned that two horses were burned, one a stallion owned by A. M. Dillwood of Oakdale, the other a mare owned by trainer Williams. Six animals were in the stable when the fire broke out, one of them the great pacing mare Leata J. 2:03, but she with three others were rescued before the fire reached their stalls. The flames spread to the roof of the grand stand and also burned a part of the field of grain in the center of the track. Several sets of harness and other stable articles were lost by those who have interests at the track. The race track and stables are the propetry of San Joaquin county.

John Splan believes the trotting horse breeding business is about to have a boom and to get in right he has purchased a fast mare, sister to Uncle Biff 2:06¾ by John A. McKerron 2:04¾, and will breed her to Peter Volo (4) 2:02. The dam of the mare is by Star Pointer 1:59¼ and the second dam a sister to Ashland Wilkes. Trust Splan to pick a good one.

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A colt by The Bondsman that is entered in the Pacific Breeders' Futurity for foals of 1914 and was recently sold by Chas. DeRyder to a gentleman of this city, will not be trained this year, but James Sutherland of Pleasanton, who has sent many a stake winner to the races from his stables, offered to take the colt and pay all expenses for half the winnings. So he must be "some" trotter.

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It is getting close to racing time. Don't start your horse with a weak set of hopples and lose the race because of this fact. See that your harness is good and your whole outfit in ship shape. Write to Dave West for anything in the line that you need. His address is 1018 Fillmore street, San Francisco, and he can furnish everything needed to rig a horse for racing or to administer to him if he is lame or sick. And his prices are right.

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The Gentlemen's Driving Club of Cleveland has decided to hold its weekly matinees on Wednesdays instead of on Saturdays, this season, and to make the racing to carts instead of wagons. The reason of the change in the day was simply because so many sporting events are listed for Saturdays that many horse lovers are unable to attend the Randall matinees. The change from wagons to carts was made in the interest of new members, who are almost unable to obtain wagons and also for the sake of safety and faster time.

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A New York Telegraph turf wr'ter says that James Butler's Spur, by his wonderful victory in the Withers at Belmont Park last week, stamped himself as probably the best three-year-old that has been shown this year. He only beat Foxhall P. Keene's Churchill by a narrow margin and August Belmont's Friar Rock, the one to finish third, was very much abused in the running, but Spur had gone lengths farther than any other colt in the field ,and his speed and his courage were severely tested.

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Five hundred cowboys and cowgirls, $500,000 represented in horses, vehicles and equipment, five days of furious fun, daring and danger. These are a few of the things that Salinas is offering in the Original California Rodeo and Salinas Big Week, July 12 to 16, inclusive. Twenty-five thousand people are expected to attend and plans for their accommodation and entertainment are well under way. It will be a regular carnival week and the Southern Pacific Railroad has made excursion rates for the round trip to Salinas and return from all points in the State.

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The Overland Stables, as Chas. Silva of Sacramento has named his string of horses that will campaign east of the Rocky Mountains under the training and driving of Lon. B. Daniels, made several entries in the $400 purses at the Cranwood half mile track where racing started this week. Graustark, by Aerolite in the 2:23 pace, Bondalean in the 2:14 pace, San Felipe and Kid Cupid in the 2:13 trot, and John Malcolm in the 2:16 pace. W. Fleming named Joe Patchen 2d in the free-for-all pace. Results of these races will not be at hand until next week.

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More than 1,600 horses participated in the 14th Annual Work Horse Parade given by the Boston Work Horse Relief Association, of Boston, Mass., May 31st. The "free horse show" brought out a crowd of several thousand animal lovers, who ranged themselves along the avenue and watched the teams go by the reviewing stand where the winning horses received their blue, red or yellow ribbons, the few dogs their rosettes, and the more fortunate drivers their medals. The parade included as fine a collection of working animals as has been seen in competition since it was inaugurated.

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The American Sportsman (Cleveland) of June 8th said: "Billy Fleming arrived at Cranwood Park early in the week with the pacing trio, Joe Patchen II 2:03¼, The Beaver 2:05¾ and The Badger 2:15½, and while they have not been any fast miles this season, he expects to start the first two named at Cranwood next week and race them into form. It will be recalled that Fleming made a sensational campaign in 1912, winning fifteen races and $28,000, with 'The Big Train,' since which time the latter has proven a rank failure for several other trainers and very much of a disappointment to his owner, R. J. MacKenzie. 'Billy,' however, believes that the stallion is yet quite useful, so secured his racing qualities for 1916 and will give him a thorough trial on the half mile tracks, then if he returns to his 1912 form will hit the mile rings in the fall. The Beaver 2:05¾ may take part in the opening meeting at North Randall, but The Badger 2:15½, also by Searchlight 2:03¼, will hardly be ripe for any big ring company so early. Harry Bell brought over from California the four-year-old filly Jessie Patchen, which is the personal property of Fleming, and the latter now has her at Cranwood. She is by Joe Patchen II 2:03¼, out of Jessie M. (dam of Hal J. 2:08½, Della H. 2:10, etc.) by Del Norte 2:08, and is a young mare of considerable promise, having trialed in 2:14."

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

MARKET FISHERMEN TO ORGANIZE.

As a further step in the movement on the part of the State Market Director to organize local fishermen, wholesalers and retailers of fish, for the purpose of regulating the price of fish on the basis of supply and demand, mass meetings have been called for both fishermen and wholesalers.

The fishermen's meeting will be held in Pittsburg, Contra Costa county, Saturday, June 17, while that of the wholesalers will be held at the Market Director's offices Wednesday night, June 14.

Each meeting will be asked to select representatives to serve on a joint committee to fix the price of fish from the fisherman down to the ultimate consumer.

TAGS PLACED ON SALMON.

The California Fish and Game Commission has evolved a way of getting records for the area covered by salmon. Salmon will now traverse the ocean with all the dignity and impressiveness shown by the automobile. Like flivvers and new spring hats, the salmon will, in future, carry a tag. This tag is to be of silver and will be placed on the dorsal fin. It will be inscribed as is the automobile tag, only no tail lights are demanded and the salmon will be exempt from the dimming law. Some 1,000 salmon who have chosen Monterey bay as their resident home when not traveling will have this silvered distinction bestowed upon them. By this unique method the commission expects to determine whether or not the Monterey salmon go as far north as the Columbia and Klamath rivers, and as far south as Santa Barbara. The tag will also enable the commission to tell whether or not the Monterey salmon always returns to Monterey Bay streams to spawn, and just how rapidly it has developed from the date its tag was issued.—Red Spinner, Santa Cruz, Cal.

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About Flying Fish.—The popular notion that flying-fish beat their "wings" is a mistake, if one is to rely upon the results of studies of these fish by an authority, Capt. Barrett Hamilton. It appears that the wings are not true organs of flight, but rather play the part of a parachute or an aeroplane. The whole motive power is supplied by the tail, which acts as a propeller, and the vibration or quivering of the wings in the air currents and their occasional shift of inclination are not phenomena connected with the propulsion of the fish in its aerial flights.

SHERIFF HAS MENAGERIE ON HIS HANDS.

Deputy Sheriff John A. Shepston herded along the streets one day last week from the wharf of the Toyo Kisen Kaisha Company to the Panama Stables at 314 Natoma street three elephants, one king cobra snake, twenty-five monkeys, one tiger and one dog.

There haven't been as many vows of future abstinence made along the water front since the bay came up to Montgomery street.

This queer collection of animals and reptile is being held in bond with the Sheriff's office until a suit as to the ownership between the Al G. Barnes Shows Company on the one hand and Stewart Tait and D. M. Callahan on the other is determined in the Superior Courts.

The snake, of course, went boxed, and the tiger was in a cage. But the elephants and the monkeys made mad and merry the job for Deputy Sheriff Shepston. The elephants lacked direction altogether and insisted throughout the journey in going the other way. The monkeys—25 of 'em, count 'em—evinced a great and sudden liking for anything in the nature of a lamp post and street-car pole.

"It's all right if the elephants don't kick the place down," said the manager of the stables, "and the snake doesn't get out and bite somebody on the ankle and the monkeys don't monkey with the horses and the tiger stays put. I guess it's all right."

Dog With Two Legs.—Richmond Hill, L. I., boasts of a self-educated dog which, without so much as a hint from a trainer, has succeeded in learning to walk about on his forelegs, chase cats and follow its ordinary doglike pursuits, without the aid of its hind legs.

Brownie, the wonder of the village, was compelled to become adept at two-legged walking, as a series of accidents deprived him of the use of his hind legs. He disputed the right of way with a Long Island railroad train and lost the use of one leg permanently. The following day he forgot his injury, leaped over a hedge at a cat and dropped into a barbed wire ambush, losing the use of his second hind leg.

Two hours later he had discovered that the injured legs had been superfluous anyway and has managed to get along without them since.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

"COLLARS OF HONOR" FOR DOGS IN WAR.

Several dogs which have been aiding the French army at the front during the war were decorated with special "collars of honor" at a meeting of the Animal Protective Society, held in the Trocadero, Paris, recently. Among them were Fend l'Air, which saved his master, Jacquemin, a zouave, at Roclincourt; Loustic, which rendered very many valuable services, and Pyramus, which saved a battalion by barking, warning the soldiers of the approach of the enemy and carrying back to the generals in the rear a note announcing the advance of enemy forces. The dogs seemed to display human intelligence at the presentation, apparently highly appreciating the honors conferred upon them.

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The Western Airedale Terrier Club, a leader among specialty clubs in the middle west and embracing among its membership about the most enthusiastic lot of fanciers in the country, will hold its annual specialt yshow on November 18, probably in one of the large downtown hotels, the exact location and the judge, both not yet selected, to be announced in the near future. Phil R. Brand is president and Charles H. Perrin, secretary of this hustling organization, and its membership includes about every Airedale fancier of any prominence in Chicago and its vicinity.

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The Oxford prefix is to remain as prominent as ever in the fox terrier fancy, as Mrs. Able will follow in the steps of the late Mr. Able, who was known wherever fox terriers were mentioned in the United States and Canada. Mrs. Able, to keep the kennel in the fore, has purchased the wirehaired fox terrier bitch, Ridgeway Chunk Loo, as she considers Chunky Loo one of the best wire bitches in the country, and just the specimen from which to breed the type of youngster that has given the Oxford prefix its fame.

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Mr. Westley of Hamilton, Mass., has just imported six Newfoundlands. We understand he intends to help this neglected breed along and we hope he will be successful.

Dr. Jordan on Fishing.—Dr. David Starr Jordan, noted ichthyologist and a former fish and game commissioner of the State, widely known as president of Stanford University, recently visited the Japanese village at Port Los Angeles and talked in their own tongue with the fishermen, seeing a number of fish he first identified in the early '80's and greeting them as old friends. Dr. Jordan says:

"The waters of the Pacific Ocean along the Southern California coast are rich in fish good for table use," and states further that the correct spelling of the most overrated fish in our sea is "pampano," not "pompano." He is a strong booster for that coast climatically also, saying "there is nothing comparable in the world but the coast of Dalmatia, which is now overrun by war."

SHORT FISH LINES.

Food for thought is found in the figures of Fish and Game Commission plantings of nearly 750,000,000 fry, distributed in the waters of California during the last forty-five years. The exact figures are 746,537,329. This has been of prime importance in bringing to its present high plane the sport of scientific angling.

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California is now collecting shad roe to ship to eastern States, although shad were introduced in California waters only about thirty-five years ago. The fish cultural work of California has been copied extensively not only by the Federal Fisheries Bureau ,but abroad also, and is taken as the foremost in the world in magnitude and effectiveness.

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Both the California and Nevada fish and game commissions are endeavoring to keep the Nevada side of Lake Tahoe closed to fishing for some time, because of the spawning period for lake trout, and at a recent joint meeting between the two commissions at Tallac, the California Commission loaned to Nevada 100,000 eyed rainbow eggs to be used in stocking Nevada streams.

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At meetings held in Fillmore and Santa Paula last week, the "Game and Fish Protective Association of Saticoy, Santa Paula, Fillmore and Piru" was formed to co-operate with and supplement the propagation and protective work of the Fish and Game Commission with J. N. Proctor of Saticoy, president; Henry Case, Fillmore, vice-president; M. N. Shedenhelm of Santa Paula, secretary. Applications for half a million trout for stocking, and arrangements for fish-ladders in the Seepe, and the screening of all ditches, will be made in harmony with the commission's recommendations. They asked for 200,000 steelhead for the Sespe, 30,000 steelhead for the Agua Blanca and 5,000 rainbow for Hopper Creek. Wherever these do not conflict with the Fish and Game Commission's policy of furnishing no fish to waters privately controlled, the requests will be granted undoubtedly. Those wanting fish should put in an application for them at once. Not many things can be had for the asking.

SAN FRANCISCO FLY-CASTING SCORES.

Scores set by the San Francisco Flycasting Club last Saturday and Sunday were as follows:

Saturday's scores:—

Contestant.	—Delicacy— Accy.	Dlcy.	Net.	H. T. Accy.
H. A. Thomsen, Jr.	17	20	18½	11
W. D. Mansfield	24	15	19½	..
Stanley Forbes	24	15	19½	19
Col. G. C. Edwards	15	25	20	12
Col. C. G. Young	22	20	21	27
F. A. Webster	25	20	22½	13
Col. J. F. Burgin	22	25	23½	7
W. J. Davis, Jr.	30	25	27½	10
C. H .Gardner	32	25	28½	7
William Crawford	38	20	29	18
Joseph Springer	31	50	40½	14
C. H. Kewell	31	60	45½	12

Heavy tackle, distance—H. A. Thomsen Jr. 109, Stanley Forbes 125, Col. G. C. Edwards 110, F. A. Webster 115, Col. J. F. Burgin 115, James Springer 95, C. H. Kewell 102.

One-half ounce lure, accuracy—H. A. Thomsen Jr. 43, Col. Edwards 47. Col. C. G. Young 21, F. A. Webster 13, Col. Burgin 31, W. J. Davis Jr. 17, C. H. Gardner 21, James Springer 27, C. H. Kewell 18.

Re-entries:

Contestant.	—Delicacy— Accy.	Dlcy.	Net.	H. T. Accy.
Col. G. C. Edwards	16	5	10½	20
W. J. Davis, Jr.	18	15	16½	13
Joseph Springer	38	70	54	20
H. A. Thomsen, Jr.	27	25	26	..

Heavy tackle, distance—Col. Edwards 108, W. J. Davis Jr. 120, James Springer 92, H. A. Thomsen Jr. 105, Stanley Forbes 110.

One-half ounce lure, accuracy—Col. Edwards 36, W. J. Davis Jr. 28, James Springer 45.

Sunday's Scores:—

Contestant.	—Delicacy— Accy.	Dlcy.	Net.	H. T. Accy.
Stanley Forbes	12	10	11	11
C. H. Kewell	14	10	12	14
Col. C. G. Young	16	10	13	21
P. J. Cooper	24	5	14½	..
Dr. W. E. Brooks	30	10	20	7
P. W. Shattuck	27	15	21	33
J. F. Burgin	28	15	21½	9
H. A. Thomsen, Jr.	20	25	22½	14
W. J. Davis, Jr.	29	20	24½	8
C. H. Gardner	19	40	29½	7
Austin Sperry	28	40	34	38
Ed Borg	41	40	40½	44
William Crawford	51	30	40½	18
E. A. Rogers	48	35	41½	16

Heavy tackle, distance—Stanley Forbes 125, C. H. Kewell 110, F. J. Cooper 122, P. W. Shattuck 105, J. F. Burgin 115, H. A. Thomsen Jr. 112, W. J. Davis Jr. 111, Austin Sperry 119, William Crawford 106, E. A. Rogers 120.

Half-ounce lure, accuracy—C. H. Kewell 20, Col. Young 29, F. J. Cooper 19, P. W. Shattuck 13, J. F. Burgin 48, H. A. Thomsen Jr. 43, W. J. Davis Jr. 13, C. H. Gardner 13, Austin Sperry 41, William Crawford 16.

Half-ounce lure, distance—Stanley Forbes 108, Col. Young 138, W. J. Davis Jr. 145, William Crawford 93.

Re-entries:

Contestant.	—Delicacy— Accy.	Dlcy.	Net.	H. T. Accy.
William Crawford	18	15	16½	13
Dr. W. E. Brookes	14	25	19½	12
H. A. Thomsen, Jr.	17	25	31	9
Ed Borg	28	20	24	18
P. W. Shattuck	28	30	29	27

NEW SPORTING CLUB IN PORTLAND.

The Lazy Lodge Hunting and Fishing Club will be organized in Portland along different lines than those usually followed by similar organizations. It is the idea of the promoters to purchase outright a location contiguous alike to all kinds of game hunting and close to lake and stream fishing. By owning their own site, members of the club will be enabled to avail themselves of shooting or fishing privileges at any time during the open seasons and at the same time to have a vacation place in which to spend a week end or month if desired.

The Lazy Lodge Club intends to purchase acreage in the Cascades, not more than 150 miles from Portland . Thus, members will be enabled to run out for a few days hunting or fishing at small expense. The club will be limited to 20 members, and a membership fee will entitle the holder to a pro rata share of the acreage, one-fourth of which will be set aside as permanent club grounds and the balance divided by lot among the members.

Sportsmen, desirous of learning more of the club, may communicate with George Larfield, secretary pro tem, at 927 Chamber of Commerce Building.

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R. L. Handy, John Handy, H. L. Griffiths, Frank Frossard and William Fritschi are enjoying the sport at Emerald Bay with great success.

Frank Troeh High Gun In Big N. W. Shoot

OVER HUNDRED COMPETE IN BANNER FOUR-DAY TOURNAMENT

Northwest Shoot.—The 32nd annual trapshooting tournament of the Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest is now history and it will go down as "some" affair in more ways than one.

Frank M. Troeh, the sensational Vancouver, Wash., amateur, ended the tourney in a blaze of glory. He won the main event, which was known as the "For You a Rose in Portland Grows" contest, on June 7th at the Everding traps of the Portland Gun Club, by breaking 98 of the 100 blue rocks thrown for him.

The boy from across the Columbia river also is heralded not only as the leading amateur of the gathering, but high gun of the tournament. Out of 400 registered targets, 381 of them died the death of a rag doll by the uncanny accuracy of Mr. Troeh.

The nearest competitor was H. E. Poston, one of the popular San Francisco professionals, who followed, two birds in the rear.

The opening day of the Portland Rose Festival was duly recognized at the Everding Park traps of the Portland Gun Club. The main event was named after the 1916 slogan chiefly because the Portland Rose Festival donated $100 in cash to be divided among the winners.

To celebrate the occasion T. R. Everding, ex-president of the Portland Gun Club, had more than 20 dozen of beautiful roses brought out to the grounds, and every contestant in the 100-target match had one pinned on him for good luck. Practically all the spectators, of whom there were almost 500, wore the favorite Portland bloom.

Sensational scores were recorded in the main event. The ambition of A. W. Strowger, president of the local club, and Henry R. Everding, to have a record-breaking entry list was fulfilled. Just 101 men and women stepped to the traps and, just to impress the fact that those present saw some good shooting, it might be well to state that 26 of them returned with 90 per cent or better. All were amateurs, too, wih four exceptions.

The trophy events, three of them, were what might be termed as "after-dinner shoots." It was not until after 7:30 o'clock at night that final winners in the shoot-offs could be determined.

After Frank M. Troeh, with 98 per cent out of the 100 targets in the main event, came Pete Whitney, a comparatively new shooter in the game, belonging to the Woodburn, Ore., Gun Club but hailing from Hubbard, Ore., and Guy Egbers, of Pasco, Wash., with 96 out of 100. H. E. Poston of San Francisco led the pros with the same acerage recorded by two second amateurs.

The five high amateurs for the three days' gathering in the regular registered birds only were Frank M. Troeh, 381 out of 400; Peter H. O'Brien, of Portland, 377; Abner Blair, of Portland, 375; O. N. Ford, of San Jose, Cal., 375, and Dr. R. N. Fuller, of Tulare, Cal., 371. The five pros for high honors were: H. E. Poston, San Francisco, 379; P. J. Holohan, Portland, 377; Les H. Reid, Seattle, 377; Frank C. Riehl, Tacoma, 367, and Fred A. Dryden, Spokane, Wash., 366.

Scores, June 7, 100 targets—

*J. E. Reid, Portland, 76; C. A. Conklin, Seattle, 89; A. Riehl, Tacoma, 89; C. E. Feller, Woodburn, Ore., 83; R. Kinzer, Seattle, 83; O. N. Ford, San Jose, Cal., 93; Dr. A. N. Fuller, Tulare, Cal., 92; N. A. Howard, San Francisco, 94; E. G. Anderson, Los Angeles, 88; F. Mellus, Los Angeles, 87; *F. A. Dryden, Spokane, 93; Guy Egbers, Pasco, Wash., 96 G. B. Joslin, Pasco, 84; Mrs. F. A. Dryden, Spokane, 66; J. R. Owens, Wenatchee, Wash., 81; Mark Siddall, Salem, Ore., 81; J. Lewis, Salem, 84; H. H. Veath, Cottage Grove, Ore., 90; A. G. Magers, Salem, 85; *C. J. Schilling, Portland, 87; *L. H. Reid, Seattle, 87; A. G. Wilkes, San Francisco, 92; C. E. McKelvey, Seattle, 89; John Considine, Seattle, 84; Tom Wilkes, San Francisco, 90; *H. E. Poston, San Francisco, 96; Charles Leith, Woodburn, Ore., 91; R. P. Knight, Portland, 87; Lou Rayburn, La Grande, Ore., 85; Dr. E. R. Seeley, Medford, Ore., 90; *E. B. Van Arnam, Portland, 71; Ed. Fitzgerald, Burley, Idaho, 85; D. W. Fleet, Montesano, Wash., 84; James K. Simpson, Stevenson, Wash., 67; *P. J. Holohan, Portland, 94; Frank Van Atta, Vancouver, Wash., 95; Frank M. Troeh, Vancouver, Wash., 98; C. E. Owens, Wenatchee, Wash., 91; W. E. "Dick" Carlon, Portland, 88; P. H. O'Brien, Portland, 95; E. H. Keller, Portland, 90; J. W. Seavey, Portland, 93; Abner Blair, Portland, 95; J. Kienast, Bellingham, Wash., 88; Ed Brackney, Bellingham, 83; W. G. Ballack, Albany, Ore., 83; P. P. Nelson, Yacolt, Wash., 85; Mrs. A. G. Wilkes, San Francisco, 58; J. A. Dague, Tacoma, 88; G. Ulrich, Lewiston, Idaho, 81; G. E. Beckman, Lewiston, Idaho, 88; *F. C. Riehl, Tacoma, 95; A. W. Strowger, Portland, 84; *E. B. Morris, Portland, 87; F. Dodele, Albany, Ore., 83; W. W. McCornack, Eugene, Ore., 73; C. W. Hadley, Pomeroy, Wash., 87; Al Seguin, Portland, 83; J. C. Morris, Portland, 84; A. Parrott, Portland, 86; F. O. Joy, Portland, 71; C. C. Kelley, Portland, 68; Frank Templeton, Portland, 94; G. K. Marck, Spokane, 88; Hugh McElroy, Spokane, 93; Mrs. C. A. O'Connor, Spokane, 75; C. A. Fleming, Spokane, 83; C. A. O'Connor, Spokane, 83; J. S. Crane, Portland, 70; Mark Rickard, Corvallis, Ore., 90; A. Zierloff, Monroe, Ore., 55; Josef Stutt, Portland, 73; H. A. Pollock, Portland, 78; *J. S. French, San Francisco, 60x32; Miss Gladys Reid, Portland, 66; W. B. Fechheimer, Portland, 81; A. L. Zichrisson, Portland, 57; G. Pisano, Portland, 42; Peter Whitney, Hubbard, Ore., 96; A. Z. Smith, Portland, 68; M. A. Woelm, Portland, 78; Mrs. Ada Schilling, Portland, 81; R. A. Cronin, Portland, 72; Dr. O. D. Thornton, Portland, 85; C. A. Meyer, Milwaukee, Ore., 82; J. Edmundson, Eugene, Ore., 82; J. Ferguson, Los Angeles, 70; W. K. France, Arlington, Ore., 95; Charles Zieegler, Stevenson, Wash., 80; Earl R. Goodwin, Portland, 78; R. S. Thompson, Portland, 64; C. Platt, Portland, 56; J. E. Cullison, Portland, 79; W. N. Matlock, Pendleton, Ore., 81; B. Pearson, Turner, Ore., 78; C. Templeton, Portland, 64; Clay Sparks, Vancouver, Wash., 81; William Totten, Stevenson, Wash., 54; Walt Billington, Stevenson, 66. (*Professionals.)

Team Shoot—Three men, 20 birds each, total, 60:—California—A. G. Wilkes 19, N. A. Howard 19, Dr. R. N. Fuller 17; total, 55. Seattle—G. A. Conklin 19, R. W. Kinzer 19, C. E. McKelvey 19; total, 57. Portland (No. 1)—Peter O'Brien 19, James W. Seavey 19, Frank Templeton 18; total, 56. Portland (No. 2)—R. P. Knight 20, Archie Parrott 17, E. H. Keller 20; total 57. Vancouver, Wash.—Frank M. Troeh 19, Frank Van Atta 19, P. P. Nelson 19; total, 57. Woodburn, Ore.—Peter Whitney 18, Charles Feller 18, Charles Leith 18; total, 54. Salem, Ore.—Mark Siddall 18, A. W. Lewis 18, A. G. Magers 17; total 53.

It is to be noted that in connection with the Northwest championship shoot-off R. P. Knight broke 24, Miss Gladys Reid 23, Charles Leith 22. In team shoot-off Vancouver beat Portland No. 2. Seattle did not shoot off.

Northwest Handicap, at 50 birds:—

	Hdcp. yds.	Broke.
Tom Wilkes	17	45
Ed Fitzgerald	17	45
R. P. Knight	16	47
E. G. Anderson	16	47
John Considine	16	43
E. H. Keller	19	46
Charles Leith	19	47
N. A. Howard	19	43
C. E. McKelvey	19	43
J. R. Owens	18	37
J. W. Seavey	20	44
R. N. Fuller	20	42
G. A. Conklin	20	44
Guy Egbers	20	46
Frank Van Atta	20	40
Frank M. Troeh	22	45
A. G. Wilkes	22	46
P. H. O'Brien	22	41
C. E. Owens	20	43
Frank Templeton	20	44
*H. E. Poston	16	48
*L. H. Reid	16	46
*F. C. Riehl	16	49
*P. J. Holohan	16	43
*E. B. Morris	16	41
Hugh McElroy	21	43
G. K. Marck	19	44
Mrs. C. A. O'Connor	16	45
C. A. Fleming	16	47
C. A. O'Connor	16	42
*C. J. Schilling	16	42
F. Mellus	16	38
J. C. Morris	16	42
J. Kienast	16	29
A. Riehl	16	44
R. Kinzer	16	45
A. W. Strowger	16	39
Mark Siddall	16	46
D. W. Fleet	18	46
G. E. Beckman	16	45
Mrs. Ada Schilling	16	44
W. W. McCornack	18	46
P. P. Nelson	16	46
C. A. Meyers	17	45
C. W. Hadley	16	44
G. Joslin	16	46
A. Z. Smith	16	41
J. Ferguson	21	34
Peter Whitney	21	41
W. K France	16	43
W. N. Matlock	16	45
J. E. Cullison	16	42
J. M. Edmundson	16	43
Mark Richard	19	44
Miss Gladys Reid	16	47

On the second day the handsome Smaills cup was won by J. Roy Owens, of Wenatchee, Wash., who recorded a perfect score. He broke the 25 targets thrown to him. Frank C. Riehl, of Tacoma, Wash., did not lose one either, but he is a professional and must shoot for targets only.

Abner Blair, of the Portland Gun Club, and Frank M. Troeh of Vancouver, Wash., both amateurs, led the entire field in the day's high score for the regular 150-rock match. Each dropped only six in 150 tries. O. N. Ford of San Jose, Cal., was next in line with 143, tying both P. J. Holohan, of Portland, and Les H. Reid, of Seattle, both pros.

The scores of the regular 150-bird event, June 6:—*J. E. Reid 127, G. A. Conklin 140, Charles Feller 122, A. Riehl 135, R. Kinzer 128, O. N. Ford 143, Dr. R. N. Fuller 139, N. A. Howard 134, F. Mellus 124, *F. A. Dryden 135, G. Egbers 123, G. B. Joslin 129, Mrs. F. A. Dryden 99, J. R. Owens 123, M. Siddall 127, J. Lewis 125, W. E. Carlon 118, A. G. Magers 121, *C. J. Schilling 130, *L. H. Reid 143, A. G. Wilkes 139, C. E. McKelvey 133, John Considine 116, Tom Wilkes 126, *H. E. Poston 141, Charles Leith 136, R. P. Knight 115, Lou Rayburn 136, Dr. E. R. Seeley 137, *E. B. Van Arnam 120, E. Fitzgerald 131, R. H. Miller 130, D. W. Fleet 134, J. K. Simpson 102, *P. J. Holohan 143, Frank Van Atta 141, Frank M. Troeh 144, C. E. Owens 139, E. L. Mathews 132, P. H. O'Brien 140, E. H. Keller 132, J. W. Seavey 137, Abner Blair 144, Frank Templeton 140, J. Kienast 125, Ed Brackney 120, W. G. Ballack 121, P. P. Nelson 120, Mrs. A. G. Wilkes 121, J. A. Dague 135, G. Ulrich 119, G. E. Beckman 133, *F. C. Riehl 134, A. W. Strowger 128, *E. B. Morris 135, F. Dodele 120, W. W. McCornack 118, C. W. Hadley 129, Al Seguin 120, J. C. Morris 122, A. Parrott 125, F. O. Joy 105, C. C. Kelley 126, Mrs. Ada Schilling 131, G. K. Marck 139, Hugh McElroy 138, Mrs. C. A. O'Connor 121, Hugh Fleming 128, C. O'Connor 134, J. S. Crane 95, B. Pearson 121, A. Zierlof 117, E. Langendorfer 117, A. Langendorfer 106, J. M. Ferguson 110, H. A. Pollock 89, C. A. Meyer 136, Earl R. Goodwin 115, H. L. Streeter 111, R. S. Thompson 50x90, *J. S. French 79x90, A. L. Zichrisson 39x60, J. Huff 44x80, A. Woelm 33x45.

Long runs—H. E. Poston 101; F. C. Riehl 53, 84; L. H. Reid 60, 59, 57; P. J. Holohan 55; Frank M. Troeh 58, 62 unfinished; F. A. Dryden 63; Abner Blair 58; Frank Van Atta 55; C. E. Owens 53; C. E. McKelvey 54.

On opening day Peter H. O'Brien was high amateur for the regular 150-bird contest, with a record of 142 broken blue rocks out of 150 attempts. Second place resulted in a three-cornered tie between Guy Egbers, of Pasco, Wash., E. H. Keller of Portland and Dr. R. N. Fuller of Tulare, Cal. Each finished with only 10 misses in the 150 shots.

P. P. Nelson of Yacolt, Wash., broke 17 out of 20 in the 10 pair of doubles race for the Walla Walla Brownlee cup. He was given a close contest with five Nimrods trodding on his heels with one less. F. M. Troeh, Dr. R. N. Fuller, James W. Seavey, Frank Templeton and R. P. Knight each scored 16.

The only shoot-off of the day is attributed to the two-man tie for the Dayton medal between J. A. Dague of Tacoma and A. G. Wilkes of San Francisco, each breaking 20 out of 20 in the regular match. Dague was handicapped at 20 yards and Wilkes, who proved to be the final winner, was standing two yards nearer the trap-house.

Scores, 150 targets, June 5:—

J. E. Reid 132, G. A. Conklin 136, Charles Feller 123, A. Riehl 116, R. Kinzer 118, O. N. Ford 139, Dr. R. N. Fuller 140, N. A. Howard 134, G. H. Anderson 121, F. Mellus 123, *F. A. Dryden 138, G. Egbers 140, Miss G. Reid 110, Mrs. F. A. Dryden 61, J. R. Owens 122, M. Siddall 127, J. Lewis 132, H. H. Veatch 118, A. G. Mager 125, C. J. Schilling 135, *L. H. Reid 147, A. G. Wilkes 137, C. E. McKelvey 138, Tom Wilkes 127, John Considine 118, *H. E. Poston 142, Charles Leith 135, R. R. Knight 118, Lou Rayburn 134, Dr. E. R. Seeley 131, *E. B. Van Arnam 103, E. L. Mathews 128, F. O. Joy 43, H. W. Fleet 122, J. S. Crane 100, *P. J. Holohan 140, Frank Van Atta 131, F. M. Troeh 139, C. E. Owens 137, J. P. Bull 132, P. H. O'Brien 142, E. H. Keller 140, J. W. Seavey 136, A. Blair 136, Frank Templeton 134, J. Kienast 130, E. Brackney 124, W. G. Ballack 122, P. P. Nelson 127, A. F. Allen 67, J. A. Dague 136, G. Ulrich 124, G. E. Beckman 126, F. C. Riehl 138, A. W. Strowger 114, *E. B. Morris 135, F. Dodele 135, W. W. McCornack 132, H. L. Streeter 104, Al Seguin 129, J. C. Morris 118, A. Parrott 119, *J. S. French 98, E. Fitzgerald 130, Mrs. J. C. Shilling 119, George March 132, H. McElroy 132, Mrs. C. A. O'Connor 115, C. A. Fleming 126, C. A. O'Connor 123, E. C. Meyer 117, Mrs. A. G. Wilkes 111, A. Zierlof 94, E. Langendorf 114, A. Langendorf 108, G. B. Joslin 128, B. Pearson 100, C. W. Hadley 130, C. C. Kelly 119, W. B. Fechheimer 115.

Fifty-five scatter-gun artists, including three women, from all parts of the Pacific Coast participated in the 100-bird practice event of the thirty-second annual trapshooting tournament of the Sportsmen's Association of the Northwest on June 4.

COMING REGISTERED TOURNAMENTS.

California.

Los Angeles, July 3, 4—Vernon Gun Club.

Eureka, July 4—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President.

Oregon.

Portland, July 10—Portland Club, Frank Templeton, Secretary.

Portland, Sept. 12, 13, 14—Pacific Coast Handicap.

Washington.

Seattle, July 4—"Old Policy," Green Lake Gun Club, W. C. Smith, Secretary

Tacoma, July 18, 19, 20, 21—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary.

Frank Troeh of Vancouver, Wash., was the winner of the high average honors among the amateurs, with a score of 97 out of a possible 100. Lou Rayburn, winner of the Oregon State Championship last year, was second with 95 per cent, and Dick Carlon won third honors with 94 per cent, nosing out Frank Templeton for the position by one bird. The score, at 100 targets:

Amateurs—Frank M. Troeh, Vancouver, Wash., 97; Lou Rayburn, La Grande, Ore., 95; W. E. (Dick) Carlon, Portland, 94; Frank Templeton, Portland, 93; C. E. McKelvey, Seattle, Wash., 92; E. H. Keller, Portland, 91; Al Riehl, Tacoma, Wash., 91; W. W. McCornack, Eugene, Ore., 91; P. H. O'Brien, Portland, 90; R. P. Knight, Portland, 89; R. N. Fuller, San Francisco, 88; J. W. Seavey, Portland, 88; Al Seguin, Portland, 88; Charles Leith, Woodburn, Ore., 88; H. A. Pollock, Portland, 87; A. G. Magers, Salem, Ore., 87; E. R. Seely, Medford, Ore., 86 G. E. Beckman, Lewiston, Ida., 86; C. E. Owens, Wenatchee, .Wash., 85; James Lewis, Salem, Ore., 85; Frank Van Atta, Vancouver, Wash., 85; G. A. Conklin, Seattle, Wash., 84; R. W. Kinzer, Seattle, Wash., 84; Dr. O. D. Thornton, Portland 84; Abner Blair, Portland, 83; Mark Siddall, Salem, Ore., 83; Ed. Fitzgerald, Burley, Ida., 82; Frank Dodele, Albany, Ore., 81; Mrs. Ada Schilling, Portland 79; Miss Gladys Reid, Portland, 78; Gus Ulrich, Lewiston, Ida., 77; A. W. Strowger, Portland, 77; J. S. Crane, Portland, 78; E. G. Broadhead, Portland, 74; E .Langendofer, Vancouver, Wash., 73; A. Langendofer, Vancouver, Wash., 73; E. C. Meyer, Portland, 72; R. S. Thompson, Vancouver, Wash., 70; A. L. Zachrison, Portland, 69; F. A. Jeter, Portland, 69; F. O. Joy, Portland, 69; W. C. Bristol (20-gauge gun), Portland, 64; H. L. Streeter, Boise, Ida., 64; C. E. Kelly, Portland, 60.

Professionals—L. H. Reid, Seattle, Wash., 98; P. J. Holohan, Portland, 97; F. A. Dryden, Spokane, Wash., 96 F. O. Riehl, Tacoma, Wash., 93; H. E. Poston, San Francisco, 91; C. J. Schilling, Portland, 91; E. B. Morris, Portland, 91; J. P. Bull, Portland, 86; J. E. Reid, Portland, 83; E. B. Van Arnam, Portland, 74.

Seattle Association.—Hugh Fleming shot the high score for the day both in the 50-target and 100-target programs with forty-six and ninety-one, at Harbor Island on June 4th.

The "gun bugs" should certainly be well seasoned with damp and chilly weather, and be in good condition for the fall shooting if the weather that has been favoring them still continues.

Harry P. Warner was on the grounds for the first time for many months, and although he showed the effects of little practice at first he soon rounded into form and was shooting in good scores.

Preparatory to "Beginners' and Ladies' Day," which is scheduled for June 18th on the Harbor Island grounds, there were several new shooters out, taking their first crack at shooting the clay saucers. V. L. Parker, Allen Latimer and Chester Latimer were three of the entries for the beginners' program, who were on the traps for the first time.

Tom Wilkes, of the Wilkes Stock Company, celebrated his return to the city from a trip through California by coming out and adding a bid number to the pile of broken blue rocks that are found on the grounds.

In the class race for the McKelvey silver trophies Hugh Fleming stood high in class A, this giving him two wins. J. H. Wilman was high score in class C, he also having two wins. Van Woodaman stood high man in the D class.

June 18th will see one of the big days of the trapshooting world, when the ladies and novice shooters will be given an opportunity to break into the game and a chance to shoot for some very fine prizes. Two of the big trophies are a sterling silver watch fob for the highest beginner's score, and a sterling silver trophy spoon for the highest ladies' score. These prizes have been presented by the Du Pont Company.

Scores for June 4th, 50 targets: Hugh Fleming 46, R. S. Searle 44, W. B. Taft 43, G. A. Canuck 41, J. H. Wilman 38, Fred Landwehr 33, H. P. Warner 28, A. E. Hall 20. At 100 targets—Hugh Fleming 91, W. B. Taft 85, G. A. Canuck 83, H. P. Warner 66, Fred Landwehr 63.

V. L. Parker, J. R. ("Dok") Hager, Van M. Woodaman, Tom Wilkes, Allen Latimer and Chester Latimer did not shoot in the regular program.

Green Lake Club.—Good shooting featured the regular weekly meeting of the Green Lake Gun Club on June 4th, with L. S. Barnes and W. C. Smith tying for first place, each getting 49 out of 50. Dr. King landed in second place by breaking 48 out of 50.

Ike Fisher, professional, turned up at the north end grounds, after an extended trip in Alaska, and succeeded in breaking 45 out of his 50. He reports several well organized gun clubs in the North.

The Green Lake Club is making elaborate preparations for its first annual registered tournament, July 4th, and already many prizes have been promised for the various events. Following the usual policy of the club, this program will be made attractive to the shooter of medium ability, and with a low entrance fee the club hopes to make this shoot one of the big annual trapshooting features of the Northwest.

While the officers are busy working up the details of the July 4th tournament, the rest of the members are taking great interest in the beginners' day event planned for the last Sunday in June. The scores:—

L. S. Barnes 49, W. C. Smith 49, Dr. King 48, *D. Rhodes 47, *I. M. Fisher 45, E. K. Van Vleck 44, Don R. Baker 44, Dr. A. B. Kidd 43, J. W. Geltz 43, George H. Young 43, S. A. Martin 42, George B. Baker 41, Hi Follrich 40, J. McBride 40, N. W. Hubinger 39, E. W. Soergel 39, R. W. Brehm 37, M. A. Rosenfield 37, H. E. Gleason 32, George O. Colwell 35, Dr. S. W. Case 32, S. Burt 29, D. D. McMaster 27, J. F. Rohowitz 23, F. N. Haley 18, G. E. Gibson 14, E. Bauer 10.



MRS. ETTIE HAUGHAWAUT
Fair shot, formerly of Fort Dodge, Iowa, who is shooting well at the Golden Gate Club traps.

Big Time Club.—Harry Tharp was high man in the Gerber causeway cup shoot held by the Big Time Gun Club at the Schenk ranch Sunday. There were 18 entries in the 50-bird event. Tharp broke 48 out of the 50. F. Newbert and Fleckenstein tied for second place with 44 and A. E. Pearson third with 43.

In the regular club shoot of 25 birds Tharp also took first honors with 24. Frank Newbert was next with 23, F. Egersdoff, Dr. Goods and W. Higgins were third with 21. There were 26 entries in this event.

In the ladies' shoot, ten bird event, Mrs. D. Newbert and Mrs. Boulware were high with six. Mrs. Baker was second with five and Mrs. Brust was third with two.

In addition to these events there were ten-bird practice events all during the day. A large crowd was on hand and the sport was thoroughly enjoyed.

Alameda Elks' Club.—A strong wind was blowing Sunday and held down the scores of the Alameda Elks' monthly shoot. Even under the conditions C. A. Merrill set the high score of 46 out of 50. Henry Stelling was second with 44. Bill Ellis continued his high class blue-rock busting by leading the professionals with 44. Next month the club will stage a banner shoot for ladies. On Sunday the Golden Gate Club will be out at the traps. The scores were as follows:—

W. L. Koch 36, E. B. Thorning 39, M. S. Goodman 32, L. Schroeder 27, W. T. Sparr 24, W. E. Cooley 40, H. Stelling 44, *R. C. Reed 43, *W. R. Ellis 44, C. A. Merrill 46, W. J. Terry 41, A. Durney 30, R. B. Valleau 29, C. Carmen 33, J. Bush 33, F. J. Croll 43, H. Meinecke 42, C. Lindemann 41, Ned Williams 37, G. Hickman 31, R. T. Boyd 29, G. Brooks 29, F. E. Hillyer 34, H. Martine 40, H. C. Peet 42, *O. N. Jones 42, *C. A. Haight 42, P. Swenson 35, W. H. Price 38, H. Truscott 34, *A. W. DuBray 37, T. H. Haskins 33, J. H. Brooks 36, Dr. Pruett 26, Batsford 22, M. N. Winans 21, J. B. Hauer 37, H. Craig 33. (*Professionals.)

Watsonville Club.—A large number of merchandise prizes have already been offered for the big blue-rock shoot to be held at Watsonville in connection with the Fourth of July celebration. The committee in charge is working hard for the success of the big shoot and many more prizes have been promised, but not yet signed up.

Southern Rod Club—At the June meeting of the Southern California Rod and Reel Club, the course of the Fish and Game Commission in transplanting striped bass from San Francisco to the Southern California bays was warmly commended by President A. E. Roome, and the co-operation of the club promised. As a nearnest of its good faith, President Roome, in behalf of the club, has written Fish and Game Commissioner Connell, stating that all members are taking out the angler's license as required, and requesting a strict and vigorous enforcement of the law by prosecuting all surf-fishermen who are not. The commissioner, before leaving for the convention in Chicago, issued instructions to the field patrol deputies to do this, and henceforth it is apt to go hard with those who angle off the beach for corbina, yellowfins or croakers, or even rock bass.

TRAPSHOOTING STILL GROWING.

The Du Pont Company of Wilmington, Delaware, has just issued a revised Gun Club map of the United States. It shows the location of all towns containing gun or trapshooting clubs and gives the total number of clubs up to January 1, 1916, as 3,961. These clubs have various memberships, but a conservative estimate would allow fifty shooters to a club or a total of 198,050 trapshooters regularly engaged in the sport.

Of course, the above figures do not include trapshooters not members of organized clubs, such as private clubs, farmers' clubs or hand trap "fiends."

The latter class are increasing daily. They rely on a hand trap, the latest and most practical portable device for throwing targets. It weighs but 6¼ pounds, costs only $4, and obviates the necessity of erecting permanent traps.

Including all classes it is estimated that there are over 400,000 trapshooters in this country. The sport is growing rapidly, the ten leading states showing the following number of clubs: Pennsylvania, 492; New York, 344; Illinois, 287; Iowa, 220; Ohio, 187; Minnesota, 175; New Jersey, 168; Wisconsin, 164; Missouri, 142; Michigan, 133.

Vernon Club.—The second annual Du Pont beginners' shoot at the Vernon Gun Club proved a big success. Sixty-eight shooters took part in the day's program. In the men's beginners' event L. H. Palmer was the victor, breaking 23x25 targets. H. C. Palmer was second with 21x25 and Stafford and Yueling tied for third with 21x25. Mrs. Fish won the ladies' event bf breaking 16x25. Mrs. Shanlow came a good second with 9x25. Handsome prizes were awarded to both winners.

The feature of the day was the shooting of O. Evans who broke 50x50 clay targets from the 18-yard mark. He was shooting for the George T. Cline trophy and captured his first leg on the prize. S. A. Bruner and William Pugh were raunners-up with 48x50.

The complete results are as follows:—

	Hdcp.	Cline trophy. 50	Hoegee trophy. 50
Fred Grewell	18	46	48
C. W. Clements	16	46	45
Hayes	16	39	..
H. C. Cline	17	47	46
Cornelius	17	44	47
Manderville	17	47	46
Dierdoff	17	47	..
C. E. Miller	16	44	..
Kenney	16	44	41
Spaford	16	33	37
Esketiller	16	22	..
B. C. Palmer	16	32	..
Dr. Friend	16	43	..
Miss Wheeler	16	39	..
A. W. Bruner	16	44	45
W. Dougherty	17	41	42
P. C. Carter	16	35	..
R. O. Pool	16	43	..
S. A. Bruner	19	48	47
William Pugh	18	48	43
Reed	16	45	43
P. C. Smith	16	33	34
C. W. Fish	16	43	43
Van Ness	16	34	..
Yudling	16	36	..
Bole	16	44	49
Youcan	16	42	..
Slanton	16	35	..
L. H. Palmer	16	43	..
Stenborger	16	42	..
C. E. Groat	17	43	40
Mrs. C. E. Groat	17	43	42
Wilshire	16	45	..
O. Evans	18	50	47
Holohan	19	49	48
White	18	46	46
Cooper	16	45	..
Brawner	18	47	..
A. S. Royar	16	45	..
George Cline	16	39	42
Blanchard	18	46	..

20-gauge event—C. W. Fish 23x25, C. E. Groat 22x25, Wilshire 23x25.

Practice event—Manderville 24x25, C. W. Fish 23x25, Mrs. C. E. Groat 19x25, O. Evans 45x50, Holohan 47x50, Vorens 39x50, Ed Bohring 21x25, White 48x50, Pfirrmann 49x50, Mellus 72x75, Mrs. Pfirrmann 39x50.

Beginners' event at 25 targets, for watch fob—Keeney 20, Spaford 20, Shandow 12, B. C. Palmer 21, R. O. Pool 17, Suell 14, Yudling 20, Youcan 20, Blandon 19, Maclean 11, L. H. Palmer 23, Stanburger 22, Hoff 17, Memhuber 18, R. L. Howard 16, Jackson 18.

Ladies' event for spoon—Mrs. Shandow 9, Mrs. Fish 16, Mrs. Manderville 7.

Vallejo Club.—The Vallejo Gun Club staged its opening shoot of the season on Sunday with pleasing results. Andy Flickinger, the veteran shot, who is going to the Grand American Handicap in St. Louis in August, was high gun with 49 out of 50. Barstone showed to good advantage with his 20-gauge gun in breaking 33. The scores were:

Flickinger 49, Yocom 44, O'Hara 44, Wiscraevere 33, Grag 34, Standish 29, Dr. Taneler 34, Wilkels 30, Moore 33, Blum 30, King 35, Humphreys 29, Lucke 33, Herbut 19, Flynn 14, Barstone (20-gauge) 33.

Sportsmen's Row

The Spokane Gun Club will stage an amateur shoot over the Moran traps June 25, according to an announcement made by President Charles A. O'Connor. It will be exclusively for beginners and open to women and men. The DuPont Company has offered a handsome fob to the winner in the men's division and a spoon to the winner in the women's division. Only those who have not shot at more than 500 targets up to the first of May will be eligible to compete.

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The Vancouver Gun Club, Limited, of Vancouver, B. C., will conduct a registered shoot on June 20 and July 1.

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Trapshooting clubs interested in beginners' day shoots may hold them any time during the month of June. No one who has shot at more than 500 targets up to May 1 is eligible for the beginners' day event.

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E. J. Robertson has been chosen president of the Louisville (Ky.) Gun Club. The club at its annual meeting decided to reduce the dues from $6 to $3 a year and to admit women to membership without cost to them.

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A new way of catching mackinaw trout in Deer Lake, near Spokane, was discovered last week. More for practice in casting than for any other reason and because the fish were not biting in the deep water, J. R. Hanford took a No. 5 tango from his outfit box and started some distance tossing. The tango No. 5 is a bass lure and is bright yellow with a bright red head. On his fourth or fifth cast Mr. Hanford hooked a five-pound mackinaw and was so surprised that he nearly fell out of the boat. He kept at it and soon had the limit.

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A catch that rarely has been duplicated in Hayden Lake was made recently by A. W. Hartsough. Mr. Hartsough used a mirror spoon and landed 18 brook trout. Incidentally, he won the Spokane Hardware Company prize for the display of trout during the week.

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F. W. Millett, a 75-year-old fisherman, hooked a 13½-pound mackinaw in Deer Lake. After playing the fish about 25 minutes and making little headway toward landing him, Mr. Miller called for assistance from J. E. Griffith, who wielded the gaff when the trout was brought near the boat.

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Because of the danger of accidental or wild shots missing the mark and finding a human target back of the Bullhead, the State rifle range in North Sacramento has been condemned by Adjt.-Gen. Charles W. Thomas, and will be abandoned. Capt. H. H. Sydenham, range officer, has been notified notto allow any more shooting at the range, which was built in 1911 at a cost of $4,700. The land is under lease, but an effort will be made to terminate the contracts.

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J. E. Griffith of Spokane, Wash., returned the other day from Deer Lake with six bass which totaled twenty-five pounds. Mrs. Griffith, who accompanied him, caught a mackinaw trout at the lake which weighed eleven pounds.

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W. H. Cameron and Frank Pomin caught thirty-seven trout in a little over an hour's time at Pomin's last Tuesday. Wednesday Bradley and Cameron caught ten at Emerald Bay. The largest one, a big silver trout, weighed twelve pounds.

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Perch are biting freely in the vicinity of Elkhorn at present, according to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Murray who, during the past week, caught the limit of crappie in an hour. They did their fishing just west of the station, a distance of perhaps two blocks. At various sections on the lower river fishing also is excellent, both striped and black bass, as well as perch being taken. Only a few days ago Louis Smith, John Guisto and party took twenty-six striped bass at Prospect slough, using spoons as lures. Black bass now are rising freely in that vicinity, the floating lures being particularly satisfactory to the anglers. Of these the "Tango" seems to have been bringing the best results.—Sacramento Union.

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Trout fishing in Lake Tahoe is reported better than it has been in fifteen years. Keeping the market fishermen out until June 1st is said to be the reason as in previous years the season opened May 1st and the weather was so cold that few anglers went up there.

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Hunting licenses will be due on July 1st. Although the season does not come in until a month or so later the Fish and Game Commissioners are making preparations to issue licenses.

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The first catch of striped bass in a couple of weeks was taken last Saturday at Wingo by Charley Urfer. He hooked a twenty and a twelve-pounder.

DEER COMING BACK IN NUMBERS.

That the long period of short seasons and low limits, backed by a steady increase in the fish and game patrol-force, is bringing back the deer, is the belief of a party of Los Angeles sportsmen who recently returned from a protracted trip through the northern San Gabriel watershed. They quote such veteran deer-slayers as Charlie Vincent and Fred DeLancey of Old Point Comfort, who are certain that there are a hundred deer in the North Baldy country where there were ten a few seasons back.

Years ago, the Fish and Game Commission advocated drastic reduction in both time and numbers in which game could be taken, feeling that only some such emergency measure could stay its extermination with the growth of sporting interests which had set in with the rapid increase of population. Deer early impressed upon conservationists, the rapid decrease that is certain to follow anything beyond a very moderate exercise of the so-called "taking-privilege." That this self-denial, which was acceptable to all true sportsmen who saw the need of it, is now working out in an increase of the game, is the very best news possible to the men who love gun or rifle, and the reports now coming in through Fish and Game Commission deputies and sportsmen who cover a wide range of territory, indicate a noticeable improvement.

Everyone admits the remarkable increase in quail, which is even more noticeable this year than it was last. The Owens' Valley is swarming with valley quail. Deputy W. K. Robinson of Orange county reports every evidence that the quail, all but cleaned out there a few years ago, are becoming very plentiful with this season's increase to add to the numbers now in sight in the Silverado, Trabuco, San Juan, and of course, all over the Santa Margarita and in many parts of the big Irvine rancho. Robinson also reports a heavy breeding of doves in the canyons, and says no quail are shirking their family duties this year; all seem mated.

Many fawns are reported in the uplands, and the usual number of does is being seen by fishermen in the head-water streams; but these things do not excite the hunters nearly so much as the judgment of fellows like DeLancey and Vincent who have been watching 'em for years. Vincent says there is a drove of twenty mountain sheep on North Baldy, and they appear to be making a slow increase; but occasionally one falls victim to some "crook" who can't trust himself at large with his conscience, and must needs qualify as one who "has killed 'big-horn.'"

Vincent and de Lancey maintain a theory that these modern small-bore rifles have had something to do with the increase in the deer; and the way they "dope" it would make anyone who knows Fred enjoy a good laugh, while the effect would be much different upon any small-bore rifle "crank." The proclivities of de Lancey for that old 45-70 Remington, Hepburn model singleshot pumpkin-slinger are known to all his friends; one shot and the job is done. Fred used three cartridges last season and got his two bucks. He is one of the few "trackers" that is left; one of the old-school hunters who never drew trigger until certain that half a day's "stalking" would bring no surer shot. With the modern "blaze away and pray" system of chance-taking and crippling, such as de Lancey have no patience. "These new-fangled toy guns hit 'em and you never know it; no blood, they lay up in the brush where you can't follow and most of them get well, because the bullet makes a clean wound," is Fred's philosophy. Wonder what some of these .280 Ross "fans" with their copper-tube "exploding" bullets would say to that!

Veteran hunters in the San Joaquin Valley have been opposed to a summer open period on deer because it makes the game too easy to get. When the new horns are "in the velvet," they are so tender that the bucks stay out in the open much more than a little later after the horns are hardened. This coupled with the better venison, has converted experienced men to the later season, dated so as to stop short of "running time" when no one wants to kill deer.

Many eastern states have passed short season and shorter bag-limit laws than California without increasing game, and sportsmen have had their self-denial for no apparent benefit. Sometimes laws have been framed by the enemies of sportsmen, designed to prevent shooting by making seasons that do not correspond with the times birds are naturally present to be shot. Double dealing of this sort has made enemies elsewhere, but California has been free, thanks to administration of fish and game affairs by sportsmen with the interests of sportsmen at heart.

Increased game has been the best possible answer to those who at first were opposed to all restrictive game legislation, and against enforcement.

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Railroad Men's Club.—The opening shoot of fifty targets of a series of twelve contests, was held on Sunday at the Los Angeles Gun Club traps by the Railroad Men's Gun Club. High score was hung up by J. E. Clark with 42 kills out of a half century. H. E. Morris and C. J. Hurst tied for second best score, each with 40 dead out of 50. The results follow:—

J. E. Clark 42, B. L. Clark 36, W. E. Palmer 29, W. J. Merithem 35, H. E. Morris 40, W. E. Lish 36, S. W. Aldridge 35, P. L. Carter 39, C. J. Hurst 40, E. L. Biler 38, T. G. Scannon 36, G. L. Kelly 35.

BULLETINS ON FISHING CONDITIONS.

Bulletins on fishing conditions as furnished by agents of the railroads are as follows:

SOUTHERN PACIFIC.

Truckee—River continues high account melting snow. Water cloudy. Bait fishing good. Mr. Turnbull of Kirk Geary Co., Sacramento, recently took limit on Martis Creek, a Truckee River feeder between Truckee and Boca. Also caught 7 lbs. June 11 on Truckee River. Angleworms used. Russ Mace of Madera, first man to engage tent in Camp Truckee, is on the river daily. Never fails to bring home basket full. Fish jumping and conditions favorable for fly fishing.

Lake Independence—"A man does not have to know anything about fishing to get the limit at present."

Lake Tahoe—Fishing good at all resorts around lake. Thousands of fish shipped out last week. Fishing conditions remain about same throughout the season. Bait: Worms and hellgramites.

Boca—Truckee River falling. Fly fishing fair and improving. Good bait fishing with worms or hellgramites. June bugs out soon, then limit catches easy.

Floriston—Bait fishing fair. Catches not large but fish in fine condition. River should fall in few days and fly fishing be good.

Stirling City—Good catches. River trifle high.

Truckee (Tent City)—"Mr. W. B. Galett of Winter Sports fame is now located in Truckee and has opened up Camp Truckee (tent city)."

Santa Cruz Mountains.

Boulder Creek—Fishing not quite up to standard account several hot days. Small size.

Brookdale—Conditions good. Weather excellent. Good reports from Newell Creek. Limit easily caught. Size, 6 and 7 inches. Cottages nearly all taken. Good year in prospect.

Santa Cruz—Trout and salmon fishing better than ever. Trout now taking fly. Sport good.

Shasta Region.

Castella—Fishing in river good. Only small trout being caught in Castle Creek. Few fishing.

Dunsmuir—Several good catches reported. Weather ideal. March brown hare and whrling blue dun flies now favorites.

Shasta Springs—Excellent weather. Every one well rewarded with nice catches. Using fly.

Sisson—Weather and fishing good.

Klamath Falls, Ore.—Fishing good all streams. Many limit catches. Weather ideal.

WESTERN PACIFIC.

Big Bar—Fishing very poor. Bait and fly fail to attract. River low and clear. Weather very hot and calm.

Keddie—Very few fishermen visited this section past week. Streams a trifle muddy yet. Some good catches made in Big Meadows.

Blairsden—Fishing in river and creeks good. Lakes are open but still some snow on road. No trouble to get limit. Using dark colored flies and spoons. The weather clear and warm.

Belden—Indian Creek, Chip Creek, Yellow Creek, North Fork, East Branch, Feather River and Three Lakes. Bait used this week helgamites. Grasshoppers and black flies. Fishing much better.

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Los Angeles Club.—The diamond scarfpin which was contested for at the Los Angeles Gun Club Sunday in a 50-target trapshoot at distance handicaps, was tied for between three cracks—Meek, Rowe and Sargent—each with a score of 45x50. Meek fired from 17 yards, Rowe from 16 and Sargent from 17 yards. They shot off the triple tie from their respective handicaps and Sargent won out, smashing 24 of the tarhawks out of 25. Meek broke 23x25, and Rowe 22x25. Scores in both events follow:

Event 2, Diamond trophy handicap at 50 targets:—

C. F. Nichols (21) 32, E. K. Mohler (19) 43, F. H. Nichols (18) 43, George Melford (16) 39, G. G. Adams (18) 41, J. W. Meek (17) 45, A. L. Rowe (16) 45, H. E. Sargent (17) 45, C. L. Saunders (16) 40, H. C. Garup (17) 44, F. H. Teeple (18) 41, P. L. Carter (16) 40, W. J. Merithew (16) 35, W. E. Palmer (16) 29, S. W. Aldridge (16) 36, H. E. Morris 40.

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Trade Notes.—The shooters of California and Nevada by shooting Remington UMC shells and guns were rewarded with splendid scores and high averages at the California-Nevada State shoot at San Jose, May 29-30-31.

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In the turkey publication of the Department of Agriculture, which is Farmers' Bulletin No. 200, the following rules for selecting turkeys for breeding are given:

First—Always use as breeders turkey hens over one year old. Be sure they are strong, healthy and vigorous, and of good medium size. In no instance select the smaller ones. Do not strive to have them unnaturally large.

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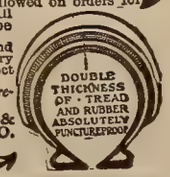
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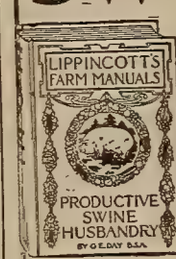
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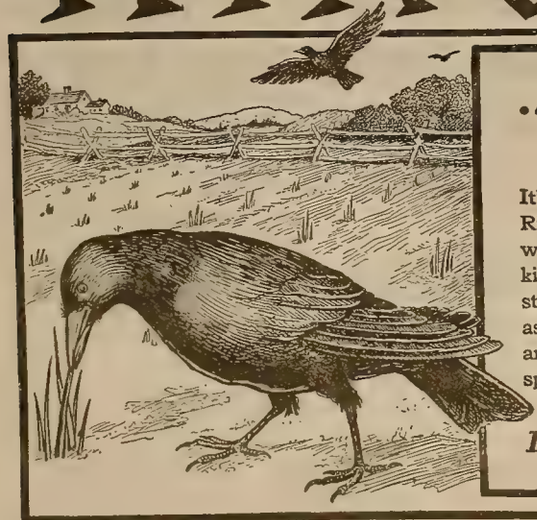
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Time allowances must be claimed when entry is made; also it must be stated why the horse entered is entitled to time allowance under above conditions.

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NORTH PACIFIC FAIR ASSOCIATION.

Vancouver, Can., Exhibition at Vancouver	Aug. 14-19
Southwest Washington Fair at Chehalis, Aug. 28-Sept.	2
Interstate Fair at Spokane	Sept. 4- 9
Grays Harbor Co. Fair at Elma	Sept. 6-10
Walla Walla Co. Fair at Walla Walla	Sept. 11-13
Washington State Fair at North Yakima	Sept. 18-23
Oregon State Fair at Salem	Sept. 25-30

INTER-MOUNTAIN FAIR CIRCUIT.

Montpelier, Idaho	August 14
Rexburg, Idaho	August 21
Blackfoot, Idaho	August 28
LaGrande, Oregon	September 4
Baker, Oregon	September 11
Ontario, Oregon	September 18
Boise, Idaho	September 25
Salt Lake, Utah	October 2

GRAND CIRCUIT.

Cleveland, Ohio	July 17-22
Detroit, Mich.	July 24-29
Kalamazoo, Mich.	July 31-Aug. 5
Grand Rapids, Mich.	Aug. 7-12
Columbus, Ohio	Aug. 14-19
Cleveland, Ohio	Aug. 21-26
Poughkeepsie, N. Y.	Aug. 28-Sept. 2
Hartford, Conn.	Sept. 4- 9
Syracuse, N. Y.	Sept. 11-16
Columbus, Ohio	Sept. 18-30
Lexington, Ky.	Oct. 2-14
Atlanta, Ga.	Oct. 16-21

GREAT WESTERN CIRCUIT.

North Randall, Ohio	July 17-22
Detroit, Mich.	July 24-29
Peoria, Ill.	July 31-Aug. 5
Galesburg, Ill.	Aug. 7-12
Burlington, Ia.	Aug. 14-19
Omaha, Neb.	Aug. 21-26
Des Moines, Ia.	Aug. 25-31
Hamline, Minn.	Sept. 4- 9
Milwaukee, Wis.	Sept. 11-25
Springfield, Ill.	Sept. 18-22
Sedalia, Mo.	Sept. 25-30

HORSE VALUES are rising all over this country and some of the most astute horse dealers are very certain that the depression in prices that has prevailed for some time is ended and that even ordinary light horses will soon be in demand at prices that will pay breeders to produce them. There has never yet been a time since the advent of the automobile and motor truck that a really good horse of any kind could not be sold at a fair price, but owners of common stock of all kinds have found the market very poor during the past few years. Buyers for the European governments have taken about a milllion horses from the United States for war purposes since the outbreak of the big conflict over there and now the trouble in Mexico is creating another big demand for the same class of animals. Add to this the fact that the breeding of horses of the army type has fallen off greatly in the past two or three years and that so many horse breeding farms have been turned to other uses, and the conclusion is certain that horse values must rise. In fact they are rising every day. The big drafters are bringing more money this year than they did in 1914 or 1915, and the auction sales of the pure bred draft stallions and mares for breeding purposes show that a considerable advance has been made during the past two years. The renewal of high class racing in the eastern states has given increased value to thoroughbred stock, and trotters and pacers that show speed enough to warrant entering them in races are bringing more money this year than last. The runner that cannot run and the trotter that cannot trot is not wanted and it is probably a good thing for the future of horse breeding that this is so, as it has curtailed the breeding of the light harness horse to an extent that should have prevailed years ago. The best posted horsemen in America today are of the opinion that horse values will rise for some time, as there are very few young horses of any breed in the country.

QUITE A SUM OF MONEY will be hung up for harness races in California this year after all. Outside the colt stakes there is over $30,000 in sight already, with races announced for Santa Rosa, Dixon, Sacramento, Fresno, Hanford, Bakersfield and Riverside, and there are several other places to hear from. The purses for class races are from $300 to $1000 in value, so that a horse that can win one race at each meeting will have about $1500 net to his credit over and above entrance money, which is not such a large sum, but it will buy oats and hay to last him over until next year. Then when one thinks of all the fun and glory in winning it will seem quite profitable after all. The man who owns a horse that can win one race a week need not despair even though the money won does not take five figures to express its value. Let him think of the poor devil that pays entrance once a week and fails to get any of it back. He is the fellow who has the right to relate hard luck stories.

SUISUN STOCK FARM SALE.

Twelve Highly Bred Two-Year-Olds to Go on the Auction Block Next Saturday.

The annual sale of young trotters and pacers bred at the Suisun Stock Farm of Rush & Haile will take place next Saturday afternoon at Suisun. There is not one of the twelve two-year-olds to be offered that is not a highly bred filly or gelding. There are four by that wonderful speed sire Demonio 2:11¼ and eight by Montbaine, son of the great Moko. If you want a nice young horse to use on the road, to race on the circuit or at the matinees, or to use as a saddle horse, go to Suisun and get one of these two-year-olds at your own price and have him broke and trained according to your own direction. More value for the money is given at the Suisun Stock Farm sales than at any annual sale held in the State.

Bridgford Company's Sale of Saddle Horses.

There was not a very large crowd or very lively bidding last Tuesday evening when the mares, geldings and fillies from the Bridgford Company's farm at Knightsen were auctioned at the San Francisco Riding Club show ring, by the popular auctioneer, W. H. Hord. Although the demand for the kind of stock offered was not great, every animal bid on was sold and only one, a small weanling, was returned to the farm. A five-year-old bay mare brought $145, a four-year-old gelding $120, a five-year-old mare with foal at foot sold for $150, and another mare six years old brought $175. The yearlings brought from $50 to $100 and the average for the twenty head sold was close to $100. The stallion Artist Jr. in spite of his blemished leg was in fine order and every person present lamented the fact that the injury received by this handsome horse has served to keep him out of the show ring. But for this blemish he would undoubtedly make some of the best of the saddle stallions work hard to beat him. He was not put up at auction but was sold at private sale to the Dunphy Estate of San Francisco, and will be placed in the stud on one of the estate's horse breeding farms where he will prove a valuable sire of saddle animals if given an opportunity. We understand that Mr. Mayer, manager of this estate, plans to use him for this purpose and will mate him with some extra good mares.

Among the buyers at the sale was Mr. J. J. Altube of Berkeley who purchased eight head of mares and fillies and will send them to his farm where they will be put to breeding.

The Bridgford Company has a rule that when it consigns horses or other stock to the auction ring every animal will be sold to the highest bidder without any by-bidding, and that rule prevailed at this sale. Some of the horses and mares were sold for a song but they were knocked down to the highest bidder and there was no complaint from the breeder because they did not bring more money. The sale was eminently satisfactory in every way except that prices were less than the stock was worth, and Judge Bridgford is too game a horseman to utter any complaints on that score.

SOLANO COUNTY FAIR AT DIXON.

Eight Purses of $300 Each Will be Offered For Trotters and Pacers.

The Solano County Fair will be held at Dixon during the week following the Forest Festival and Breeders' Meeting at Santa Rosa. August 16th to 19th inclusive are the dates. It has been decided to give eight purses for trotters and pacers, each purse to be $300, which makes a total of $2400 to be distributed and which is liberal for a town the size of Dixon. The half mile track there is one of the best in the State so far as soil and condition are concerned, and the association proposes to add to the number of stalls so that there will be room for all the horses that are entered in the races.

The full program of harness events with the classes and conditions is now being arranged and will be ready for publication in the Breeder and Sportsman next week. Make your arrangements now to race your horses at Dixon in August. You will find there one of the most prosperous sections of California and a most hospitable people. Every accommodation will be provided for horsemen and as this will be the first fair given at Dixon by the Solano County Fair Association every person in the county is boosting the fair along, so it is bound to be a big success. Look out for the program next week and make your arrangements to spend the four days in that pretty town, where the alfalfa makes five or six crops per annum and the people are all prosperous.

Matinee at Santa Rosa Tomorrow.

A free-for-all pace, a 2:10 pace, a 2:12 trot, a 2:15 pace and a 2:20 trot—these will constitute the card to be offered tomorrow afternoon at the matinee which is to be staged by the Sonoma Driving Club at the Santa Rosa fair grounds. The program was completed at a meeting of the club held Tuesday night. President L. L. Cannon presided and there was a good attendance of members.

The free-for-all pace will be the event of the day. It should be a real speed burner and should show great class. Frank Turner's Dr. William S. Jennings, Joe Ryan's Hamburg Belle, and Barstow's All McKinney will compete in this event and some fast time is looked for.

In the fast trot, Tom Smith's Vallejo King 2:10½, Spencer & Keefer's Nuristo 2:10¼ and Frank McGregor's Jessie Dillon 2:26¾ will probably start.

An invitation has been sent to Director Robert Brown, of the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders' Association, to act as starter for the day.

Petaluma Horsemen Give Races.

The Petaluma Driving Club furnished some excellent sport for the entertainment of a big crowd at Kenilworth Park, Petaluma, last Sunday. Two pacing events at mile heats, one at half mile heats, and a couple of running races made up the card. The results were as follows:

First race—2:30 pace; trophy.

R. Healey's Billy T.	(Healey)	2	1 2
Ed. Millerick's Glenwood Chief	(Millerick)	1	2 1
J. McGovern's Peaches	(McGovern-Ryan)	3	3 3

Time—2:32¼, 2:30, 2:32½.

Second race—Free-for-all; trophy.

J. Ryan's Hamburg Belle	(Ryan)	1	1
G. Silva's Tom Murphy	(Silva)	2	2

Time—2:24, 2:30.

Third race—special, ½-mile.

F. McGovern's Grace McKinney		1	1
T. Ryan's Dewey	(J. Ryan)	2	2

Time—1:16, 1:12.

Fourth race—¼-mile running; trophy.

Von Wilson, first; Sir Victor, second; Alice M., third; Celia, fourth. Time—:24¾.

Fifth race—⅜-mile running; trophy.

Amethyst, first; Slide, second; Togo, third. Time—:38½.

Vera Hal Will Meet Bradmont Sunday.

Five well filled races have been carded for the matinee of the San Francisco Driving Club at the stadium in Golden Gate Park tomorrow afternoon and as Harold Cohen has named his fast mare Vera Hal in the free-for-all pace, there should be quite a horse race. Bradmont, who is also named in this event, is unbeaten so far this season but he has not met the daughter of Expressive Mac. All the events but the free-for-all are at three-quarter mile heats but this will be at the regulation distance. The entries for the five events are:

First race, 2:20 trot—Joe McTigue's Darby Mac, M. Ford's Minequa, A. Giovannetti's Yoncalla, A. Combatalade's Bird Eye, J. McNamara's Matawan.

Second race, 2:15 pace—William Malough's Emma M., J. M. Kidd's Senator H., H. Campodonico's King Pointer, Dan Keating's Victor Pointer.

Third race, free-for-all pace—G. J. Giannini's Bradmont, Harold Cohen's Vera Hal, W. J. Kenney's W. J. K.

Fourth race, 2:20 pace—J. J. Ryan's Rosa O., William Hopkins' Sis Hopkins, S. Benson's Dibble Wilkes, Dan Healy's Silver Logan.

Fifth race, 2:18 pace—Frank Goulart's J. C. Simpson, J. M. Kidd's Pointer Belle, George Conlan's Little Jack.

On Tuesday entries will be received and horses classified for the Fourth of July matinee at the stadium. The meeting will be held at 373 Golden Gate avenue and the races are open to the horses of the State.

Harness Horses and Horsemen

California Horses Win at Benson, Nebraska.

Several California horses started at a meeting held week before last over the half-mile track at Benson, Nebraska and to wind up the affair on the third day Hal McKinney 2:06¼, the ten year old son of Hal B. 2:04½ out of Juliet D. 2:13½ by McKinney, now owned by Tom Dennison of Omaha, and trained and driven by Bob Sebastian, won the free-for-all pace in straight heats in 2:07½, 2:08¼ and 2:10, breaking the Nebraska state record for a half mile track in the first heat. In this race Hal McKinney met his old rival Columbia Fire 2:04¾ and gave him a decided beating. Franklin Pierce 2:08½, a frequent winner last season, was the only other starter in the free-for-all event and he was third in every heat.

The meeting was given by the Douglas County Fair Association and all races were for three heats only. In the 2:18 trot Fred Ward, who had his own and several of the Hemet Farm horses at the meeting, took first money with Bon Courage, winning the first heat and coming second in the next two in 2:23½, 2:20 and 2:21¼. There were ten starters in this race, second money going to Pronto J. by Strathway. California B. by Athasham started but was outside the money, as was The Frisco by Caution, driven by John Lance.

On the second day John Lance got third money in the 2:27 trot with the bay gelding Lathrop ,and in the 2:14 trot Fred Ward was second in every heat with Dr. Wayo. The bay gelding Hemet by Geo. W. McKinney was a starter in the 2:15 pace but was outside the money.

In the 2:25 pace the last day John Lance was 2-2-3 with the bay gelding Bud Williams in 2:14, 2:15 and 2:15½, and stood second in the summary, the race being won in straight heats by Helen Chimes. Lady Hoy by Strathway took third money.

Miss Bailey by Geo. W. McKinney was a starter in the 2:22 trot, but Sebastian failed to get inside the money with her, the heats being around 2:16. The 2:20 pace was won by Ward with Hemet Farm's chestnut gelding Harry A. by Armond Lou, a son of Kinney Lou. Harry A.'s two winning heats were in 2:15½ and 2:13¾ and he was second in the last heat in 2:12½.

Ohio Half Mile Track Circuit Opens.

The first race at the opening of the Ohio racing season at Cranwood Park, near Cleveland, was won by the chestnut horse Chilcoot, a son of San Francisco 2:07¾. Chilcoot took the 2:27 trot in straight heats, in 2:17½, 2:18 and 2:17½, very good time for the opening race of the season on a half mile track.

The second race, the 2:10 pace, was won by The Beaver, a son of Searchlight, driven by William Fleming. This race went to six heats before a winner was declared ,and the fastest heat was 2:10¼.

On the second day Lon Daniels started Kid Cupid in the 2:13 trot, and the gelding was made favorite. The race went to five heats and was won by Harry Hamilton, Glenwood B. getting second money, Royal Cadet third money and Kid Cupid fourth. The last named did not win a heat but was second twice and third once.

Kid Cupid was the only California horse started at the Cranwood Park meeting, which was successful in every way with good fields and fast time considering the season and the track. The purses were all $400 each.

Making Speed at Boise, Idaho.

O. P .Henderson, Secretary at Boise, writes: The Intermountain Fair and Racing Circuit, recently organized at Boise, and which includes La Grande, La Grande, Idaho, and which includes La Grande, Baker, and Ontario, Ore., Montpelier, Rexburg, Blackfoot, and Boise, Idaho, and Salt Lake City, Utah, will have uniform classifications, so that all horses starting can finish the circuit in the classes in which they started. There seems to be quite an interest in this new racing circuit, from the letters of inquiry which I have received from horsemen throughout Idaho, Utah, Oregon, Washington and California, with prospects for a big field in all classes.

We have had a number of horses in training at the Boise tracks up to within the last few days; however a number have gone to make the eastern circuit, but expect to return for the opening of the Intermountain Racing Circuit at Montpelier, August 15, 1916. The following horses are some of those in training and their records:

J. D. Springer, of Sonoma Girl fame, has Mountain Boy 2:12¼ and Adver Direct, a green pacer. Mountain Boy has been a mile in 2:20, a quarter in 31 seconds; Adver Direct in 2:17½, quarters in 29¾ and 29½ seconds.

O. M. Hutchins has Lady Valentine, a green pacer who who has been a mile in 2:18, half in 1:06, quarter in 31 seconds a fast high class pacer.

William Taylor has Beans, a two-year-old trotter, by Soumi, dam Summer Beaux; acts like a high class colt; a quarter in 37 seconds and an eighth in 17½ Miss Fleety by Soumi, dam Miss Otto 2:11, dam of Ovida 2:05, is a crack pacing two-year-old. She went a mile in 2:34, last half in 1:12, in only a jog. A green pacer by The Magnet, dam Don Electrite 2:14¼, has been the mile in 2:28 and is learning fast. Baron Jolla 2:30, three years old, is in the stud.

Jim Kirby has Lady Garland by Zombro, dam by Secretary 2:30. Miss Eileen 2:18½ by Junior Dan Patch 2:05½ has gone a mile in 2:26½, eighth in 15½. Miss Sirius, two-year-old trotter, by Graham Bellini 2:11¼, dam Lady Sirius 2:10¼. Kinney Benton, two-year-old trotter, by True Kinney 2:12½, dam Princess Viola by Prince Ansel, second dam by General Benton, Idaho Chief, yearling, by Soumi, dam Lady Sirius 2:10¼. Kirby's horses had a severe attack of distemper early in the spring, and he is going slow with them.

May Davis 2:08½, owned by Budd Davis, Caldwell, Idaho, is expected here any day.

The track is in first-class condition and the horses will be fit on the opening date of the Intermountain Circuit.

The indications are that many of the track records will be broken at the Gem State Fair this year, as it is positively known now that there are a number of fast ones coming through this circuit.

That Stockton Fire.

The fire at the Stockton race track June 14th caused the loss of two valuable pacers, several sets of harness, boots, sulky and hay owned by Mr. H. W. Williams, and the destruction of a double eight stall shed near the pavilion.

Several men, under the direction of the county superintendent, were burning off grass. When leaving they failed to put out all the fire, which crawled under the north end of the shed. In less than a minute the entire building was in flames. Mr. Williams and his helper were at the shed, their horses occupying the eastern half. The west side was unoccupied and as the fire caught there first, the flames were raging before it was discovered. Mr. Williams had a stable of five horses in training and he succeeded in saving one of his own and two belonging to Mr. A. L. Richardson. The horses burned to death were a four-year-old stallion called Ishmael by Salisbury, dam a thoroughbred mare, and a four-year-old filly by Aerolite, dam a Nutwood mare owned by Mr. Williams. The stallion was valued at $2,500 and the filly at $1,000. Both of these pacers have been worked out in 2:15 and they could pace in 2:12. As neither animal has any record the loss is quite heavy. Mr. Williams values his loss at $1,000 aside from the pacer. His helper, whose face was badly blistered from the intense heat, did not save even his bedding. The pavilion caught fire several times on the roof, but a quick run of the auto engine from the city saved the building.

There are now quite a number of animals in training at the race track. Mr. Williams has three, A. T. Jackson four, Farmer Bunch three and M. Henry eight. The principal stable is that of J. N. Jones. He has in training Leata J. 2:03 and seven others, including Hanover by Hannibal, dam Puss by Dexter Prince, Irene by Carley D., dam Lady Irene by Diablo, and Mary Osborne, a four-year-old mare by Dexter Derby, dam by Linwood, owned by Ed Lavin. Leata J. is entered at the State Fair in the free-for-all pace but has not been worked out this year faster than 2:30. Irene is entered in the 2:20 class pace and Hanover is expected to start in the 2:14 class. Mary Osborne will start in the 2:20 trot. G. H. T.

Red McK. Goes to Indiana.

Mr. W. R. Murphy, of Santa Ana, California, writes the Breeder and Sportsman that he has sold his stallion Red McK. 43766, son of McKinney and Bonnie Red by Red Wilkes, to Barker Bros. of Washington, Indiana, who have a stock ranch and will use the horse for breeding purposes. Mr. Murphy also sold them a green pacing mare by Zenith, dam by Stanley, and recently sold to Mr. Andrew Albright Jr. of Prospect Farm, Hilton, New Jersey, the yearling by Bon McKinney, dam Celandine by Ignus Fatuous.

In partnership with Mr. F. W. Faucett, Mr. Murphy has recently purchased a young horse that had never been trained, but is a natural trotter. After working a very little for thirty days this horse trotted an easy mile in 2:28½, with the last quarter in 33½ seconds. He is a handsome fellow and seems to be full of trot. He was foaled in 1910 and is by Wiggins (2) 2:19½ by Aberdeen. His dam is Miss Clay Bell 2:18¼ by Bow Bells, second dam Marchmont Bell 2:23¾ by Baron Wilkes, third dam Lady Mackay (dam of Oakland Baron) by Silver Threads, fourth dam Fleetwing (dam of Stamboul 2:07½) by Hambletonian 10, fifth dam Patchen Maid by Geo. M. Patchen 30, sixth dam by Abdallah 1. He was bred by Morris E. Bacon, of Lexington, Kentucky.

Mr. Murphy expects to race Dr. S. 2:14½ by Carlokin this season.

Horses Scarce at Sacramento.

Some horse buyers say there are plenty of horses in California of the army types but the Sacramento Union has a different story to tell. It said in its issue of Wednesday this week: "Representatives of the allies have combed California so thoroughly for mules and horses that it is with difficulty that the militia now preparing for mobilization can secure enough mounts to supply the cavalry troopers and equip the field wagons. Captain H. H. Sydenham of Troop B. of cavalry stated yesterday that he had not yet been able to secure horses. Some 22 animals are needed. Prices have advanced $50 a head since the militia mobilization was ordered. "I had a band of 22 horses staked out at Willows several days ago," said Captain Sydenham one day last week, "and when I went to get them Monday I found that E. Clemens Horst, who has been buying extensively for the allies, had just preceded me. I now have another band staked out at Lincoln." If the situation in Mexico becomes more acute it is intimated that the war department will ask an embargo on horses. There are at present three different companies of horse buyers in the Sacramento valley."

Races at Hollister Last Sunday.

The Hollister Driving Club held an afternoon matinee of racing at the Riverside track on Sunday afternoon, and some good contests were enjoyed by the members of the club present.

Robt. Orr Jr., the youngest member of the club, acted as official starter and secretary, and got the fields away together like an old veteran, while R. I. Orr acted as timer.

Three races were carded as follows:

First, buggy horses, one-half mile, 3 in 5.—Geo. Cagney's "Dan Patch," Jerry Wright's "Stanford White," and Ramelli Bros.' "Monte," "Patch" ably driven by his owner took the second and third heats in 1:18½ and 1:15. "Monte" with Al Wilson up took the first and fourth in 1:20½ and 1:17½. "Stanford White" was last in all the heats except the third when he came in second.

Second race was a matched one between Wright's "Oro Guy" and Jack Kydd's "Ben Alto," 3 in 5, half mile heats. "Oro Guy" driven by Wilson took the first, third and fourth heats in 1:21, 1:15 and 1:15. "Ben Alto," with Joe Sanchez driving, took the second heat in 1:15.

The third race was for buggy horses, one-half mile heats, 2 in 3, and had as entries: Hatton's "Happy," George E. Shaw's "Judge D." and R. L. Foust's "Blackie." "Judge D.," driven by the old veteran Matt Zahner, took both heats handily in 1:30 and 1:37. "Happy" was second each heat and "Blackie" third.

Washington State Fair Races.

But one of the eight early closing events advertised by the Washington State Fair Association for its fair, to be held at North Yakima Sept. 18th to 23rd, 1916, and which closed for entry June 1st, received the required number of entries. This was the 2:25 pace for which a purse of $500 was offered.

The 2:30 trot $500, 2:25 trot $500, 2:12 trot $700, free-for-all pace $700, 2:10 pace $600, 2:08 pace $700—all these stakes have been re-opened to close Monday, August 14th,.

The late closing events are the 2:15 trot $600, the 2:20 trot $600, the 2:15 pace $600 and 2:20 pace $500. These do not close until Monday, Sept. 4th, two weeks before the fair opens.

The entries for the 2:25 pace $500, which were made June 1st and which race has been declared filled, are the following:

2:25 Pace—$500.

Comet, blk s by Major B.—Ruby, A. R. O'Leary.
Helen Hal, b m by Hal B.—Vida Mack, Dr. A. G. Smith.
Maud Bond, b m by The Bondsman—Nusta, W. J. Miller.
Bud Williams, b g by Caution—Birdie Williams; Recall, b s by Freddy C. Jr.—Montey, John Lance, Agent.
Macfoster, b s by McEwen—Annie Caffee, H. M. Fullerton.
Greatness, br m by Peter Wilton—Abbie McNutward, L. A. Childs.
May Putnam, blk m by Glendor—Fanny Putnam; King Putnam, blk g by Glendor—Fanny Putnam, Mrs. W. A. Millington.
Hiho, b s by Keeler—Unknown, Wm. Brinkert.
Lock Logan, br g by Zolock—Effie Logan, J. E. Montgomery.
Garland Mc., b g by Homer Mc.—Luna, California Stock Farm.
Zombrino, by Prince Zombro—Not Given, Ten Bunch, Agent.
Allerton Direct, b h by Baron Direct—Happy Lotta; Windsor Direct, b m by Baron Direct—Cecil Woodline, Joe F. McGuire, Agent.

Oregon State Fair's Early Closing Events.

The two early closing trotting events for the State Fair at Salem, Oregon, failed to fill. These were the 2:12 trot $2,000, and the 2:25 trot $600. They will be held open until August 1st.

The early closing pacing events both filled, however, with the following list of entries:

2:08 pace, $2,000.—Bertie Seattle, S. S. Bailey; King Zolock, W. L. Masters; Lady Hal, H. G. Cox Emaline Dillon, A. F. Conners; Francis J., Mrs. J. C. Leggett; Parkwood, Mrs. Mary E. Kimball; Royal Express, Mrs. Mary E. Kimball; Prince Zolock, H. A. Gardner; Greatness, L. A. Childs; Hal Edo, W. S. Abbett; Toffee, Fred Seubert; King Bond, E. C. Lewis; Maxine, J. E. Montgomery; Lock Logan, J. E. Montgomery; Red Rock, Ina McGuire; Homer Mc, California Stock Farm.

2:25 pace, $750—Comet, A. R. O'Leary; Bertie Seattle, S. S. Bailey; Garland Mc, California Stock Farm; Zombrino, Ted Bunch; Lizzie M., Miles McGrail; Helen Hal, A. G. Smith; May Putnam, Mrs. F. L. Wolfenden; King Putnam, Mrs. W. A. Millington; Helen Mistletoe, G. L. Parker; Potreress, J. P. McConnell; Savage Right, A. Glover; Greatness, L. A. Childs; Macfoster, H. M. Fullerton; Lock Logan, J. E. Montgomery; Alerton Direct, Joe F. McGuire; Windsor Direct, Joe F. McGuire.

Thoroughbred Matters

Yearlings at Nevada Stock Farm.

There are sixteen yearlings now at Mr. Geo. Wingfield's Nevada Stock Farm, near Reno, and they are as fine a lot of youngsters as can be seen anywhere, and many of them will be seen under the Wingfield colors in 1917:

Anna Starr, bay filly by Starbottle—Anna May; foaled March 29, 1915.

Rattan, a colt by Montgomery—Alice Carey; foaled May 10, 1915.

Fine Feathers, bay filly by Ossary—Chaste; foaled March 7, 1915.

Divland, bay colt by Deutschland—Divina; foaled April 14, 1915.

Tickford, bay colt by Duke of Ormonde—Dora I.; foaled March 12, 1915.

Doveland, chestnut filly by Deutschland—Dovelike; foaled April 29, 1915.

Arrowsmith, black colt by Deutschland—Eleven Bells; foaled March 1, 1915.

Truckee, bay colt by Deutschland—Fay Muir; foaled March 26, 1915.

Carico, bay filly by Rey del Sierras—Geheimness; foaled March 7, 1915.

Avon Carey, chestnut colt by Joe Carey—Maid of Avon; foaled March 20, 1915.

Sandab, chestnut filly by Starbottle—Ocean Dream; foaled May 2, 1915.

Zubelda, bay filly by Montgomery—San Francisco Maid; foaled March 3, 1915.

Duroc, chestnut colt by Irish Exile—Swiftwater Sal; foaled May 1, 1915.

Auditor, chestnut colt by Starbottle—Urarda; foaled May 5, 1915.

Sam Pickett, black colt by Joe Carey—Afamada; foaled April 16, 1915.

Lantern, chestnut colt by Starbottle—Ravalette; foaled April 29, 1915.

Dodge Wins Latonia Derby.

Weber & Ward's great horse, Dodge, with Murphy up, won the thirty-third renewal of the classic Latonia derby at the Latonia (Ky.) race track last Saturday. George Smith, the winner of the Kentucky derby at Louisville, finished second and Dick Williams third. Dodge's time was 2:37.

A perfect day greeted the large attendance, but after the running of the first race a heavy rain fell, turning the track from good to sloppy. The rain also turned the betting from George Smith, who was a heavy early favorite, to Dodge and near post time the heaviest play centered on the eventual winner.

There were thirty-five pari mutuel machines in the betting shed which were in constant operation, while three machines had been placed on the lawn for the derby race only and were opened to the public at 1 o'clock.

Seven horses came from the paddock to the barrier in the derby event. Gypsey George caused a delay at the post of about ten minutes by bad acting, but when the field was sent away it was to a good start. Gypsey George immediately went to the front and opened up a gap of five lengths. Dodge was second with George Smith running easy three lengths back.

They ran in this position until the far turn was reached, the balance of the field being strung out almost the entire race. Here Dick Williams moved up strongly while Gypsey George tired badly and dropped out of contention.

Dodge then immediately went to the front and won eased up. George Smith held on gamely for the place, stalling off the determined rush of Dick Williams through the stretch. The other starters were Big Smoke, Victory and Ellison. King Gorin, Franklin, and Captain Rees were scratched just before post time.

In the pari-mutuels Dodge paid $5.80 on a $2 ticket to win, $3.10 to place and $2.60 to show. George Smith paid $5 for a $2 ticket for place and $3.30 to show. Dick Williams paid $3.20 to show.

Sam Hildreth on the Earning Power of 3-Year-Olds.

S. C. Hildreth, who trains for August Belmont and is one of America's most successful trainers, is of the opinion that some effort should be made by the racing associations in the East to put three-year-olds on a par with two-year-olds in the matter of earning power. "The prominent turf authorities of New York and other Eastern States," he said, "always are talking about shaping programs with the view of encouraging the breeding of thoroughbreds which will make sires valuable for crossing upon ordinary mares for the production of high-class hunters, saddle and cavalry horses, which are greatly needed throughout the country, and yet they themselves, by offering all the richest prizes for two-year-olds and next to nothing for older animals, go right on encouraging the demand for early maturity, as if that were the only object worth aiming at.

"In fact, this encouragement of breeding for early maturity as against lasting qualities and real wear-and-tear race horses, never was more in evidence than it is right now. We have plenty of two-year-olds if their owners would take a little pains to race them only reasonably in their first season; but what object can there be in saving a two-year-old for the following year when he can win neither money nor glory worth speaking of after he passes out of his two-year-old form?

"Take Friar Rock, for example. He was just a fairly good two-year-old, but there were others who always could beat him whenever they met him over the distances which two-year-olds are asked to run. Probably for this rather than any foresight on my part, he was raced moderately as a two-year-old, and this year he comes out and shows himself a really good three-year-old, and he looks like an animal which would make a sturdy, useful horse and one which would be able to show himself a real race horse for years to come should he meet with no bad luck.

"But what will Friar Rock amount to in the way of winning prizes worth while? He is past his two-year-old form, and therefore he can add but little to the annual winnings of the Belmont stable as compared with what might be accomplished by a smart, early maturing two-year-old who could win three or four of the big stakes offered for two-year-olds. Why, the Futurity alone will put a colt away up among the leading winners of the year. I do not say that the stakes for two-year-olds are too rich, but that the stakes offered for three-year-olds are too small in proportion. Rich prizes for three-year-olds spells the breeding of sturdy, rugged race horses."

Just now Friar Rock is the turf hero of the hour, and no one who saw him win the Belmont Stakes can grudge him the honors which have come to him. He won the race over the mile and three furlong distance in gallant style, proving himself a worthy son of his great sire, and a regally-bred dam, who already proved herself a splendid producer.

Every turfman knows what a great racehorse and what a regally bred one Rock Sand was, while Friar Rock's dam, Fairy Gold, by Bend Or, had won a well deserved name as a broodmare with such animals as Fair Play, Golden View, the dam of the fast but erratic Rock View, and Flittergold, all by Hastings, to her credit. Friar Rock is distinctly a Nursery product and a Belmont bred colt.

As to individuality, he is a race horse of the old-fashioned type and one made for use rather than ornamentation. No judge of real thoroughbreds could look him over without being impressed with his admirable conformation.—N. Y. Telegraph.

Great Racing Families in America.

New York, June 12.—Not the least fascinating feature of the current racing season will be the comparison of our home-bred thoroughbreds as individuals and in point of speed with those that have come from abroad. Two youngsters of purely foreign lineage, Hourless and Jack Mount, have already won, and as the season progresses and more of the imported colts and fillies sport silk the interest will increase.

There have been in all since January 1, 1915, more than 350 registrations with the Jockey Club, and of these 160 are two-year-olds, of which about one-fourth are entirely American-bred or out of American mares that were sent abroad during the period when the turf languished in the United States.

Much has been said and written about the benefit which will be derived from these importations of fresh blood, some of the best families being represented in the lot. In discussing this point on Saturday W. H. Rowe, the registrar of the Jockey Club, and an acknowledged expert in blood lines, said:

"No doubt there are many winning families represented in recent importations and a satisfactory number of them will produce animals of merit, but American breeders should not lose sight of the fact that we have at home some of the greatest racing blood, viewed in the light of achievement, that turf history has recorded. Take, for example, the Maggie B. B., Ballet and Galopade families. There is scarcely a classic in this country that hasn't been won by descendants of these mares, while they figure in the pedigrees of the winners of the Derby and other great turf events of England and Continental Europe.

"Despite their achievements we find that descendants of Wanda and Ballet are barred from registration in the English and French Stud Books because the female line as recorded in the American Stud Book does not trace to an English source. Durbar won the Derby, but he couldn't get into the English Stud Book, it having been ruled some four or five years ago that only horses that traced in all points of their pedigree directly to that authority were eligible for that honor. France, on March 1, 1913, put up the bars in like manner, and Shannon and Blarney, both good horses and winners of big money in that country, would not be eligible for registration under the present English ruling because their sire, Irish Lad, doesn't trace through the female line to the British authority. This has produced a peculiar condition of affairs, for while Colin is represented in the English Stud Book, a sister or brother to him or their produce would be refused.

"This is the time for the American breeder to study the blood lines of the families he wishes to amalgamate," went on Mr. Rowe. "He shouldn't be carried away by brilliant top-crosses, but should delve into the female lines and see that they contain the qualifications he wishes to incorporate into his product. We have been accused of breeding a lot of sprinters, but I think that if our horses were trained to stay they would show stamina of a high order. Speed must be served, of course, and it is the first essential every great race horse must possess. If we find the happy blend that results in speed and staying powers we have reached the apex of our endeavors."

In discussing the decline in the registration of thoroughbred foals from the high-water mark of 4,415 in 1905 to less than 2,000 last year, Mr. Rowe said: "The registration of 4,415 foals in 1905 doesn't imply that we hadn't more than that number of thoroughbreds born in that year. There were many that died, and others that were not worth recording, in the estimation of their owners, so that I should say that taking last year's figures as a working basis, the number of thoroughbred dams in the United States and Canada had decreased by more than one-half in ten years. It's going to take a long time to get back to our former figure. With the increased interest that is being taken in the thoroughbred, however, and the part he is bound to play in the government's breeding policy, the gain will, perhaps, be more rapid than under conditions that existed some years ago.

"There is no dearth of material," said Mr. Rowe, in conclusion, "for the prosecution of the breeding of army horses, as sires that possess the characteristics necessary for the production of that type, but lack the strains of blood that would make them desirable to produce racehorses, are abundant. Many of the English importations are horses of size and bone, and would make an admirable top-cross for the cold-blooded mares that are to be found in every rural community."

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Racing is really the foundation of all the light horse breeding in the country. In every country in the world in which civilization has made way, and in which light horses have been required for commerce, for pleasure, or for war, the importance of racing has been recognized. Primarily it has been a national industry with a sporting side. A writer in the 'Gentleman's Magazine' in 1739 says of racing: "The original design of this entertainment was not only for sport, but to encourage a good breed of horse for real use." If any proof of this is wanted, it is only necessary to examine carefully the pedigree of Adbolton Kingmaker, who was the champion hackney stallion last year. In that the name of Regulus appears some twenty times. There are other racing crosses as well, and it is a sound inference that there would have been no Adbolton Kingmaker if Regulus, who was the grandsire of Eclipse, had not won Royal plates all over the country. Nor is this an isolated case, or a matter confined to one breed of horses.

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The "Irish Field" states that the biggest private stud in the United Kingdom (if not in the world) devoted to the rearing and breeding of the British thoroughbred is comprised in the Melton Studs belonging to Mr. Musker. At Thetford, Norfolk, there are about 11,500 acres of land, a large part of which is available in the form of paddocks. The auxiliary stud at Westerham, Kent, covers an area of 350 acres. There are at these Melton Studs over 300 boxes, besides fifteen large sheds capable of holding over 100 animals. At the present moment the mares at the Melton Studs number 229. Including the stallions, there are over 270 thoroughbreds at the two stud farms, and by the end of the foaling season the total will be, in all probability, about 400.

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Captain Sam Van Leers of the quartermaster's corps of the United States Army has been in California for several weeks purchasing horses. He secured one car load in San Francisco, one at Santa Rosa, one at Winters, one and a half at Paso Robles and two and a half car loads at Stockton. The animals are being assembled at Roseville, and Capt. Van Leers expects to have about three hundred horses to ship to Fort Keogh, Montana, which is the remount ground for the twelve western states. He states that he finds much excellent stock in California suitable for army purposes and the owners are not asking unreasonable prices.

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The history of the horse business has been that at each low point in prices most every one breeding horses becomes anxious to get out of the business, says an exchange. They say there is no money in it, which is true, and that they will have nothing more to do with it—which is equally untrue. This dissatisfaction results in as many as can selling or ceasing to breed their mares. In a few years the supply gets down to normal again, the demand brings up the market, and many men buy in at the advanced prices. Probably the safest rule to follow when dealing with a market so fluctuating is to produce a rather steady supply of a product of the very highest grade. Those who jump in and out of the business are usually in, or getting out, when prices are low, and out, or getting in, when they are high. Men who study carefully and intelligently the type of horses demanded by the market and then work seriously to produce this, seldom go wrong or lose money.

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The market for polo ponies was strong in New York week before last. Alexander Brown, of Bryn Mawr, received $6,300 for six head, and Charles A. Munn $2,100 for four head sold under the hammer at Durland's Riding Academy. Mellow Blossom, in Mr. Brown's string, made $2,450 and Gray Wolf $1,400. These are unusual prices for polo mounts at auction.

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The New Zealand Referee of May 17th says: "Each of the harness races for trotters at the New Brighton Club's autumn meeting last week was won by an imported American horse, Madam Shaw being successful in the Autumn Handicap on Thursday, and Great Audubon winning the Brooklyn Handicap on Saturday."

Notes and News

The Suisun Stock Farm's sale will be held next Saturday.

If you want a high class two-year-old for little money this is the opportunity.

The sale will take place at Suisun, beginning at 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Twelve two-year-olds will be sold.

Lon Daniels, who is at the North Randall track with the Overland Stable, is letting his horses step along close to their speed and is ready for the races.

The pacer Braden Direct 2:01¾ is reported in grand form this year, having stepped a quarter at Overland Park, Denver, in flat 29 seconds.

Colorado Range (3) 2:08½ is training well at Overland Park, Denver. His owner, G. H. Estabrook, has not yet decided who will race him this campaign.

Spriggan 2:08¼ worked a mile in 2:11 before leaving California, but a quarter in 30 seconds seemed to be easy for him.

A. Fish is an Oklahoma horseman who is training Sun Fish, a green pacer by Cat Fish. His owner will take an awful chance if he starts Cat Fish on Friday.

The California State Agricultural Society offers two $500 purses for two-year-olds at the fair this year. One for trotters, the other for pacers. See the conditions in the advertisement on another page.

Marvin Childs rode his fastest mile of the season when he worked the little pacing filly, Sad Thoughts, by Bingen (3) 2:06¼, in 2:13¼ a few days ago over the Indianapolis track.

Frank Caton intends to retire permanently from racing affairs in Russia and return to his Cleveland home in August. He is now selling his horse holdings at public auction.

The Hollister Driving Club will hold a race meeting on the afternoon of July 16th. The classification committee expects numerous entries and close contests.

The United States Army has sent out a call for 62,000 horses and contractors must have their bids in next week. This should raise the price of horses of the cavalry and artillery types considerably.

E. R. Dunn's colt The Puzzler, by Cochato, dam Fanny Wiggins, is eligible to start in the Kentucky Futurity this year, as is also Sadie L. Porter's Sequoia by The Bondsman—Yutu.

T. W. Barstow of San Jose has moved his horses in training to the Santa Rosa track. Many favorable comments are heard about his pacer All McKinney when he has his workouts.

Fast time may be expected at the matinee of the Sonoma County Driving Club to be held at Santa Rosa tomorrow. A splendid program has been arranged and some of the circuit horses will start.

A four-day relay race for saddle horses will be one of the big features of the Solano County Fair at Dixon. This is one of the great drawing cards at the fairs in the northwest and nothing creates more enthusiasm or excitement.

The auction sale of horses at Hollister last Saturday, under the auspices of Shaw & Berberich, was well attended and the horses sold at good prices. On the good horses the bidding was spirited as several outside buyers were present. The top price paid for a single horse was $210.

Twenty-three horses for army purposes were purchased at Woodland last week by representatives of the French government. The prices paid were from $100 to $125 a head. The horses were shipped to Chandler, above Knights Landing, where the horses purchased in the Sacramento valley for the French army are being assembled.

Miss Loula Long, the Kansas City horsewoman, gave a horse show at Longview Farm Saturday, June 10th, the proceeds of which were to go to charity. There was a very large attendance and an excellent program. There were many classes for saddle horses and a number for horses in harness. The greatest interest was manifested when the stallion My Major Dare and his get were shown. The get shown were Midnight Dare, three years old, Arletha Dare, two years, Belle's Major, one year, and a weanling whose dam was Miss Bourbon. A number of two-year-olds were shown in the five gaited class and made a fine showing. The show netted several thousand dollars.

The San Francisco-California Driving Club will celebrate the Fourth of July with a good program of races at the Stadium, the city supervisors having appropriated several hundred dollars for premiums.

Bakersfield will give two harness races each day for three days at its fair to be held in October, with purses of a uniform value of $400 each. The program giving classes and all other particulars will be out next week.

Patchen Wilkes Stock Farm has purchased the seven-year-old pacing mare Myrtle Patch 2:20¼, by Joe Patchen 2:01¼, dam Ione 2:08½ (dam of Geers 2:11¼), by Moody, and will breed her to Peter Volo 2:02.

Good fields are certain in the different divisions of the Pacific Breeders' Futurity at Santa Rosa in August. There are no less than 62 colts and fillies now eligible to the two-year-old and thirty-four to the three-year-old stakes.

Peter Mac worked two miles at North Randall last week in 2:12½ and 2:11¼ and did it so handily, with the last quarters in :32½ and :32, that he is thought to be in shape for stiff work from now on. His previous fastest mile this year had been in 2:18.

Three purses of $500 each to be decided at the Santa Rosa meeting of the Pacific Coast Trotting Horse Breeders' Association will close for entry on Monday, July 3rd. They are the 2:09 trot, the 2:12 trot and the 2:10 pace. These races will all fill and will make interesting events.

You will have a chance to race your unstaked two-year-olds at the State Fair at Sacramento this year. Purses of $500 each are advertised for trotters and pacers of this age, conditions of which will be found among the advertisements on page 15 of this issue. Both races should fill well as there are many two-year-olds without stake engagements.

Ed Geers has been in the game so long that nearly all the turf scribes refer to him as "Pop" Geers. Yet he has a string of 16 horses in training at North Randall and rides many miles in a sulky each day. If a vote were taken as to the most popular trainer in the United States today Geers would win by a big majority.

Charles Berry has taken Mr. I. L. Borden's string of trotters and pacers to Santa Rosa and is getting them in shape for the races in which they are entered. The pacer Alta Barnato by Barney Barnato, and the trotter Major's By Guy by Major Dillon, are entered in the class races, and three colts that are entered in the Breeders' Futurity comprise the string. All are reported to be in good shape.

Exclusive of the large amounts to be raced for in the futurities and other stake races for two and three year olds, the associations that have thus far announced programs of harness races in California will give the following amounts in purses: Breeders at Santa Rosa $6000, Dixon $2400, California State Fair $9000, Fresno $3600, Hanford $3200, Bakersfield $2400, Riverside $4300. This makes a total of more than $30,000 for the trotters and pacers to compete for this year in California and there are several counties to hear from.

Natal Day (2) 2:13½, S. Christenson's good Wilbur Lou colt that won the two-year-old trotting divisions of the Pleasanton and State Fair futurities last year and was second in the same division of the Pacific Breeders' futurity, is doing well under Millard Sanders' tutelage at Pleasanton and will be ready to start in the three-year-old divisions of those stakes this year. Natal Day is eligible to the famous Kentucky Futurity this year, a stake that is worth about ten thousand dollars to the winner, and if no accident happens him will probably be a starter in that great event next October.

Dunne & Lowery, who own the $20,000 stake winner Spriggan 2:08¼ that they purchased at auction for $700 before he won the big stake, have another auction trotter that cost them $240 at Chas. DeRyder's sale that may prove another Spriggan. This is the bay five-year-old stallion El Volante S. 57089, by El Volante 2:13¼ the son of Zombro that won the Occident Stake in 1909. The dam of El Volante S. is Seville S. by Strathway, second dam Simmone by Simmons, third dam Mi Lidy by Baron Wilkes, fourth dam Lady Gay by Mambrino Patchen, fifth dam by the thoroughbred Capt. Gay, a son of Berthune, and the next dam by Gano, son of American Eclipse. This is a royally bred horse, and his sire El Volante was one of the best bred sons of Zombro. El Volante S. had badly contracted feet when Dunn & Lowery bought him, but they sent him down to their ranch and he has now grown a new set of hoofs and his feet seem perfect. He is driven on the road to town, a distance of seven miles every day, is unshod and as Mr. Lowery says, has feet "like a good cattle horse." He is a square trotter with lots of natural speed, a good level head and no faults so far as known. Lowery says that if El Volante S. does not develop into a very fast trotter he is sailing under false colors.

Exposition, the gelding which James Gethin picked up for a song and sold to Miss Loula Long of Kansas City during the P.-P. I. E. last year, is showing well for that lady at the spring horse shows in Kansas and Missouri, and has several ribbons to his credit already.

Mr. S. S. Bailey has returned to Pleasanton, and finding his horses in good condition is taking great pleasure in seeing them taking their work. O. U. C. is working nicely and has all his old time speed. He should be a good horse in his class this year.

Will Durfee reached North Randall last week with eight head: Baby Doll 2:10¼, Rayo De Oro 2:07¼, Contention B. 2:10, Esperanza 2:09, Virginia Barnette 2:08¼, White Sox 2:05¼, Zomrect 2:12¼, and Lady Arabella, a green trotter, by Carlokin 2:07½. L. G. Baker and E. Dunn, also from Los Angeles, arrived at the same time. Baker has two—Maggie M. 2:12¼ by Carlokin, and a green trotter by Zombro 2:11. The Dunn stable consists of Virginia Humbug (2) 2:18¾, and two green ones.

Riverside County Fair will be held at Riverside from October 10th to 14th inclusive. The trotting events advertised are: 2:20 class $1000, 2:14 class $400, 2:30 class $300, free-for-all $500 and $50 added for each starter over four. For the pacers there is $1000 for the 2:18 class, $300 for the 2:14 class, $300 for the 2:23 class and $500 for the free-for-all with $50 added for each starter over four. There will also be a matinee race each day for trophies and they will be worth racing for. The running horses are liberally provided for with most of the races at short distances, but $500 is hung up for a mile run and should bring out a good field of horses. The entire program is in our advertising columns today. Entries will close Tuesday, August 1st.

With a view to creating added interest in saddle-bred foals and to stimulate their registration the American Saddle Horse Breeders' Association is offering at various county fairs a purse of $50 for 1916 foals registered in the American Saddle Horse Register. The money is to be divided into premiums of $25 for first, $15 for second and $10 for third. Conditions are that not less than 10 entries show. The American Saddle Horse Breeders' Association must be furnished with a full list of the entries and upon proper certification of the awards the checks will be mailed to the owners of winning foals. The competition is limited to foals bred in the county in which the fair is held. All communications regarding the county fair specials should be addressed to Secretary R. H. Lillard, Louisville, Ky.

Raise More Horses.

Although something like eight hundred thousand horses have been shipped abroad since the beginning of the European war, the statistics issued by our government do not show that the average price has increased since the beginning of the terrible conflict, says American Sportsman. The price of the heavy drafter, which is now being bred on a tremendous scale, especially in the Middle West, should not be materially affected, but it is certain that the light harness horse will command a higher figure within the next two or three years, despite the fact that the motor-driven vehicle is now being used on an enormous scale. So long as the war lasts the agents of the foreign governments will continue to comb North America for horses suitable for army purposes, and even when peace is declared the demand should not lessen until Europe is supplied with breeding stock, which we will surely furnish.

The situation is keenly appreciated by the Canadian Government, and the officials of the Canadian Live Stock Records are sending the following letter broadcast over the Dominion:

The breeding of horses has become a matter of prime necessity. Before the war commenced there was a slump in prices, owing to financial conditions and the inroads of motor power that led to a cessation of breeding. Then the war came, with its demand for certain classes. Following the previous decline in the demand many farmers sacrificed their mares. The result is a serious depletion and a sure scarcity.

The demand is increasing and will continue to increase long after peace has been declared. If Canada is to take advantage of the situation, the time to start is now. There will be an assured market demand for foals at weaning time from mares bred now.

Not only has the wastage by reason of war been enormous, but in all the belligerent countries, not omitting Great Britain, there has either been a partial stoppage or a whole stoppage of breeding by reason of the scarcity of labor, the disturbed conditions, or entire devastation.

Whether the war lasts or ceases, there must continue an undiminished demand for horses. When peace comes there will be a long period of replenishment. Then quality, as much, and even more than quantity, will be required. Hence the evident call to every Canadian farmer is to breed, and to breed to the best available, to utilize his mares for production, and to secure the immediate services of the best pure bred sire of type in his neighborhood. It will pay.

This appeal is addressed with the endorsement of the various horse breeders' associations of Canada, which urge decisive action by the farmers of Canada to remedy the serious situation that has arisen.

Stock Breeders' Page

The Howard Cattle Company is advertising 60 young Shorthorn Bulls for sale from the Paicines Ranch herd. These bulls are bred in the best lines and many high class individuals are among them. They are from 18 months to 2½ years of age ,and are sired by the farm's prize bulls and from the best cows of the famous herd established by the late W. D. M. Howard in 1857, and which has been maintained at a high standard ever since. The blue ribbons won by the Howard cattle at the many district and State Fairs held on this coast can only be reckoned by the hundreds and those who want young Shorthorn bulls to improve the quality of their grade of pure bred cattle, will find among the 60 bulls offered just the animals they are looking for. A letter to David J. Stollery, at 320 Sharon Building, 35 New Montgomery street, San Francisco, will bring full information as to the breeding of these young bulls and the prices asked for them.

Big Money for Shorthorns.

At the Carpenter & Ross sale of shorthorns at Mansfield, Ohio, June 9th, ten bulls sold at an average of $1370, and forty-five females averaged $933. Lord Avondale, a son of Avondale, sold for $5,000 after lively bidding and went to the nod of J. C. Andrews, West Point, Indiana. Maxwalton Commander, a noted Shorthorn champion bull, was sold at private sale the week before for $7,000. He is now the property of F. A. Gillespie, Tusla, Oklahoma.

The Shorthorns consigned to the auction ring at Wheaton, Illinois, by Thos. Stanton, brought $30,880 for twenty-five head, an average of $1,160. This included the bull Field Marshall, that brought $3,775.

Frank Edwards of Oakdale Farm, Tiffin, Ohio, sold 41 head at auction for $25,635, an average of $638. Oakdale-Rosewood, by Maxwalton Sultan, brought $1,300, the top price of this sale, and Meadow Queen, a cow by the champion Meadow King, was knocked down to N. R. Rundell of Hurley, South Dakota, for $1,025.

A mixed lot of Shorthorns from different breeders were sold at Ontario, Canada, June 10th, and the average was a little over $400 for 70 head.

Storing Meats in England.

That the larders of central Europe are bare is everybody's secret. Termination of the war would open an extensive, if temporary, market for American hog product. That a coterie of speculators, American and British, is engaged in accumulating stocks is openly asserted by English newspapers which are protesting volubly against the practice while the public is charged inflated prices. There is said to be in cold storage at Liverpool and Bootle, approximately 80,000 to 90,000 boxes of American bacon each containing 700 pounds, worth at current English prices the equivalent of $153.60. The total is about 2,500,000 pounds sterling, or about $12,500,000. Each week adds to the accumulation as between 20,000,000 and 25,000,000 pounds of American hog product is being sent from New York weekly and exports are limited only by steamer space. That the hoarding process is to continue is indicated by the fact that speculators are paying for empty storage space in England.

Various construction is being placed on this accumulation. Some people in the trade assert that the British government has an interest, others that the holders, anticipating peace, intend to be in readiness to profit by the needs of that part of Europe now inaccessible the moment access is possible. The American hog grower is primarily concerned in the probable effect such an accumulation is likely to have on values. Liverpool believes that if the hoard was thrown on the English market Chicago hog values would experience a serious slump. This might be possible if this country was full of marketable hogs and the walls of packers' warehouses were bulging with stocks. Neither condition exists, domestic consumption is at flood tide and holders of any accumulation in English storage are doubtless conscious of the security of their position.—Live Stock World.

Decrease in Number of Horses and Mules.

The statistical review of farm animals of California as prepared by statistician George Robertson of the State Board of Agriculture has just gone to press. It covers the year 1915. During that year there has been no change of importance in the number of farm animals. The number of horses shows a falling off of from 503,000 in 1914 to 493,000 in 1915, but the average value remains about the same.

The number of purebred certificated stallions and mares imported in 1914 for breeding purposes amounted to 1,210, of which number 524 were Percherons and 391 Belgian Draft; but the total number imported in 1915 amounted to only 301.

The number of mules also shows a decline from 74,000 in 1914 to 70,000 in 1915, and the average values per head declined from $120 to $110.

A Record-Breaking Holstein Sale.

The most sensational Holstein-Friesian auction in the history of the breed was held on June 7th in Detroit, Mich., when the record-breaking average of $1,119.65 was made on 137 head, and a bull 7 months old sold for $20,000, says Breeder's Gazette. The 121 females averaged $829.90, and the 16 bulls $3,310.95. A. W. Green, Middlefield, O., was the purchaser of the $20,000 calf—King Champion Rag Apple, sired by Rag Apple Korndyke 8th, and out of Lady Pontiac Johanna. A more distinguished Holstein pedigree than this calf's has probably never been written. The price at which he sold is the highest ever recorded at an auction for an animal of the breed, with one exception, which was a tie. It will be remembered that at a combination sale held in Chicago June 4-5, 1914, the bull calf King Segis Pontiac Chicago sold for $20,000.

The breeders of Michigan decided to hold a national sale and arranged with the veteran Holstein breeder H. A. Moyer, Syracuse, N. Y., to get together 150 head of the best Holsteins available. Mr. Moyer spent three months inspecting more than 50 herds. In 30 herds he found from one to a dozen individuals of the kind desired. These came from as far west as Spokane, Wash., and from as far east as Massachusetts. The selling during the two days was done too slowly to give a fair chance to more than 140 of the 183 animals that were finally selected; and preference in the sale ring was given to those breeders who had shipped their animals from afar and would otherwise be compelled to return them to their herds at considerable expense. Every animal offered was sold under a guarantee of "satisfaction or your money back." More than 1,200 persons were counted seated and standing in the semi-circle that spread out from the sale ring.

Meeting of the Holstein Association.

The thirty-first annual meeting of the Holstein-Friesian Association of America was held on June 7th in Detroit.

The report of the treasurer, Wing R. Smith, Syracuse, N. Y., showed total cash receipts for the year of upwards of $218,000, and disbursements of nearly $173,000. The balance on hand, including reserve and cash accounts on April 30, was about $215,000, in addition to which there was a bond investment of $52,651.25.

The report of the Committee on Special Prizes at Fairs showed that because of foot-and-mouth disease, which had prohibited the usual exhibits, no money had been paid out during the year, except at the Panama-Pacific, where the full prize list was offered and paid, amounting to $1,955.

The report of Secretary F. L. Houghton, Brattleboro, Vt., indicated the largest annual business ever transacted. It showed an accession to membership during the year of 1,260 life members. The deaths of 64 members were reported. Registrations of cattle to the number of 72,665 were entered upon the herd register and 68,766 transfers were made. The total year's income from these sources was $216,099.14. The balance after paying all expenses was $119,314.84.

In speaking of the advanced register, President Aitken stated that a mature cow, to be a champion, must now produce more than 44.42 pounds of butter in 7 days and more than 1,506 pounds in a year. A two-year-old cow must produce more than 31.4 pounds of butter in 7 days and 1,200 pounds in a year to be a champion. He stated that entries in the advanced registry for the year exceeded 12,000.

The report of the Superintendent of Advanced Registry, M. H. Gardner, Delavan, Wis., showed 12,882 cows under test during the year for milk and butter yields, averaging 408 pounds of milk and 14.40 pounds of butterfat in 7 days. The largest butter record of the year was that of a cow owned in New York state, Ormsby Jane Segis Aaggie, with a yield of 35.53 pounds of butterfat in 7 days. The largest record for one year was made by a cow owned in Minnesota, Duchess Skylark Ormsby, her yield being a world's record for all breeds of 1,205.09 pounds of butterfat.

Holstein Cows at Bridgford Farm.

On our title page today is a picture of four Holstein-Friesian cows now in the dairy of the Bridgford Company near Knightsen, Contra Costa county. About thirty cows of this breed are milked at this farm daily and the milk shipped to Oakland, where the farm has a distributing depot with a largely increasing patronage. The Bridgford Farm is located on reclaimed land, protected by a splendid levee, and the alfalfa fields furnish feed and to spare for all the stock on the farm. Fine saddle horses and purebred Shropshire sheep are also bred and raised on this farm which contains 340 acres of land in a high state of cultivation.

Jerseys Make Average of $641.

At Coopersburg, Pa., May 30th, T. S. Cooper & Sons sold 126 head of Jersey cattle at an average of $641. Eight young bulls brought $2,165; 75 cows in milk averaged $806, and 43 heifers averaged $423. T. DeWitt Cuyler, owner of White Horse Farm, Paoli, Pa., who has been a regular patron of Linden Grove auctions for the past several years, was one of the most extensive bidders and buyers. He obtained 22 females at a total cost of $17,000. Among them were two of the good daughters of Oxford You'll Do at $1,800 each.

Big Drafters Always in Demand.

California has never had the reputation of raising many of the heavy draft animals weighing from 1500 to 2000 pounds such as one sees in the New York and Chicago horse markets and which bring big prices whenever offered if they are sound and suitable for immediate work. The draft horse weighing from 1500 down to 1200 we have with us always and this ordinary horse brings an ordinary price. The fact that the really heavy drafter always brings a good price, and the further fact that San Francisco's leading draying firms are compelled to go to the other side of the Rocky Mountains for much of their heavy stock, should lead farmers and horse breeders to go in a little more for class and size in draft horses. That there is a real need for more and better horse power on the farms of the country, both east and west, is asserted by many persons who pay close attention to horse markets and to the status of the horse breeding business.

Better farm horses mean better care of crops as well as greater profits from colts. According to Dean C. F. Curtiss, of the Iowa Agricultural College, the great increase in production in Iowa indicated by the last census figures is directly attributable to the increase in horse power on Iowa farms, that state being noted for the number and quality of its horses.

As to the kind of horse for the farmer to raise, Professor Gordon True, of the University Farm school at Davis says: "The farmer should raise the market horse and the market horse should, up to the time of his sale, do the work of the farm. It is a mistake to consider that there are two types of heavy horses—one for farm work and the other for market. The farmer should aim to produce from his work stock the kind of horses the market demands, and the kind of mares that can produce market stock should do the farm work. There is no reason for trying to maintain an idle breeding band of mares. The best pure bred horses from the European countries are grown from mares that work every day of their lives on small farms. Our own market animals should be grown in the same way."

Rich Prizes for Draft Geldings and Grade Mares.

At the International Live Stock Exposition at Chicago this year, among other rich prizes for draft stock there will be offered many for geldings and grade mares. The geldings may be purebreds, crossbreds or grades, but only grade mares are eligible to show in these classes. The classification as prepared by Superintendent R. B. Ogilvie is as follows:

Draft gelding or grade draft mares, four years old or over, shown to halter—$60, $75, $40, $30, $20, $15, $10, $5. Draft gelding or grade mare, three years and under four, shown to halter—$50, $40, $35, $30, $20, $15, $10, $5. Draft gelding or grade draft mare, two years and under three, shown to halter—$50, $40, $35, $30, $20, $15, $10, $5. Pair of draft geldings or grade draft mares weighing not less than 3,600 pounds, shown to wagon—$60, $50, $40, $30, $20, $10. Pair of draft geldings or grade draft mares weighing not less than 3,200 pounds nor more than 3,600 pounds, shown to wagon—$50, $40, $35, $30, $20, $15, $10. Champion draft gelding or grade draft mare, any age, shown to halter—sterling silver valued at $75. Reserve champion draft gelding or grade draft mare, any age, shown to halter—ribbon. Three dreft horses abreast shown to wagon—$75, $50, $30. Four-horse team, wheelers weighing from 3,200 pounds to 3,600 pounds, shown to wagon—$125, $100, $75. Four-horse team, wheelers weighing more than 4,000 pounds, shown to wagon—$125, $100, $75. Six-horse team, wheelers weighing not less than 4,000 pounds, shown to wagon—$150, $125, $100. If the mare or gelding winning the championship is sired by a Percheron stallion, Fred Pabst, Oconomowoc, Wis., will add $100 in plate to the prize offered; if by a Belgian, J. H. Crouch & Son, Lafayette, Ind., will add $100 in plate; if by a Shire, Trumans' Pioneer Stud Farm, Bushnell, Ill., will add $100 in plate, and if by a Clydesdale, Thomas E. Wilson, Union Stock Yards, Chicago, Ill., will add $100 in plate.

Sheep Raising Pays.

Frank Kleinheinz, Wisconsin sheep expert, asserts that sheep raising pays and advances these reasons:

A flock of sheep
Requires a limited amount of labor.
Calls for a relatively small amount of capital for breeding stock and buildings.
Makes good use of rough and hilly waste land.
Helps to clear the land and kill weeds.
Builds and keeps up the fertility of the soil.
Returns a good profit when properly handled
Can be started on a small scale and be cared for by boys.
Fits in well with other classes of live stock.
Reasons why sheep do not pay are:
Dogs.
Neglect.
Infected pastures.
Use of inferior stock.
Inadequate fencing.
And the additional and all important reason that successful sheep raising without shepherding is impossible.

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On the same acreage two cows fed silage can be kept at the cost of one cow fed hay or other roughage. In other words, good land will support twice as many cows with a silo as without it, but to get best results in feeding silage must be properly balanced with alfalfa or clover.

ROD, GUN AND KENNEL

CONDUCTED BY FISHER HUNT

BACK FROM BEAR HUNT IN THE WILDS OF ALASKA.

From the ice and snow of Kodiak Island, Alaska, R. Curtis Baird, a local sportsman, has returned from a successful bear hunt. Leaving here in early April, Baird, accompanied by Leslie Simpson of Berkeley, a well-known trap shot, set off for the distant wilds and had one grand exciting trip.

Three bears, the largest standing eight feet four inches long, and the smallest over six feet, were shot down by Baird, and the skins were brought home as trophies of the chase. Extremely cold weather was experienced during the two months the sportsmen were out hunting, and they were forced to undergo many hardships. Baird has been giving his friends a thrill by telling stories of his experience.

Simpson did not return with Baird, but remained on the island to have some additional sport with his gun. Simpson has had a deal of experience in hunting big game. For the last seventeen years or so he has been located in South Africa. Before that time he had established a reputation around here as a wing shot.

Another hunter well known here who is on Kodiak Island is Bill Hillis. He has a moving picture outfit with him and is endeavoring to get some action pictures of bears. If successful he will go on a lecture tour with the pictures. Hillis has hunted extensively in all parts of the West and has killed every description of big game.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ROD CLUB.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Following is a summary of the casting records of the Southern California Rod and Reed Club, as revised to date:

Light tackle dry fly accuracy—Charles Van Horn, December 12, 1915, 99 9-15 per cent.

Light tackle accuracy fly—Charles Van Horn, February 13, 1916, 99 4-15 per cent.

Light tackle distance fly—E. J. Kennedy, December 12, 1915, 87 feet 6 inches.

Roll fly—E. J. Kennedy, October 10, 1915, 71 feet.

Heavy tackle dry fly accuracy—E. J. Kennedy, May 7, 1916, 99 1-5 per cent.

Heavy tackle accuracy fly—Charles Van Horn, May 7, 1916, 99 1-15 per cent.

Heavy tackle distance fly—E. J. Kennedy, March 12, 1916, 90 feet 6 inches.

Quarter-ounce accuracy bait—Oscar Lane, April 9, 1916, 99 per cent.

Quarter-ounce distance bait, average of five casts—Oscar Lane, April 9, 1916, 159 feet 8 inches.

Quarter-ounce distance bait, longest single cast—Oscar Lane, April 9, 1916, 168 feet.

Half-ounce accuracy bait—Oscar Lane, December 26, 1914, 98.8 per cent.

Half-ounce distance bait, average of five casts—Oscar Lane, May 9, 1915, 216 feet 1-5 inch.

Half-ounce distance bait, longest single cast—Oscar Lane, May 9, 1915, 237 feet 10 inches.

Two and one-half ounce distance bait, average of five casts—Charles Garr, July 21, 1912, 276 feet.

Two and one-half ounce distance bait, longest single cast—Charles Garr, July 21, 1912, 301 feet 6 inches.

Two and one-half ounce accuracy bait—Oscar Lane, April 11, 1915, 99 1-5 per cent.

PLEASURE IN ROD AND GUN.

Every time some friend takes a tourist or newcomer—or even one who never has had enough interest taken in him to show the fun he has been missing—another is added to the list.

This is a form of "missionary work" that is a duty devolving upon each sportsman—the duty of aiding those of lesser experience to get all there is out of life by learning to love the streams, the lakes, the mountains and valleys. None without the inducement offered by game to hunt or fish to catch can ever hope to attain the same deep and lasting affection for the great outdoors. Why is it that the shooting of a few birds, or even the creeling of a few fish after the hardest kind of a day's work, leaves a man—or woman—so completely contented and at peace with all the world, remains something of a problem even to those who have pondered it the most. But the fact remains, and explains, perhaps, why hunters and fishermen seem to get so much more recreation out of their vacations than those unfortunates who know not the lure of the rod and gun.

MAKING IT HOT FOR SPARROWS.

The campaign of extermination launched against the English sparrow by the Fish and Game Commission is going quietly forward in San Diego and Riverside counties, particularly. It is argued that the County Supervisors can better afford to pay a price of 15 cents per bird to clean out the sparrow when scarce than 3 cents when another year had multiplied its numbers; besides which, men will not work on a lesser reward with birds still scarce. A joint campaign between Riverside city and county is following the urgent appeal made to the Supervisors by Edmund Jaeger of Palm Springs, where a colony has given full and complete demonstration of the evil features charged against them by bird students—noisy, filthy, quarrelsome, driving out all song birds; of much less value in destroying noxious insects than the species it replaces. Sparrows readily learn to eat fruit and develop about all the vicious habits a bird can acquire, with scarcely a redeeming feature. Small wonder that sportsmen and Audubon societies on this point, at least, are in entire harmony.

San Diego already has accomplished a great deal toward cleaning up the sparrows. Several colonies have been exterminated.

OREGON TO HAVE FIELD TRIAL.

Oregon will once more enter the field trial game, having recently perfected a field trial club composed of prominent sportsmen of Portland and vicinity. Our date was set, the trials commencing September 17. This will be the week following the Washington state trials, thus giving an opportunity for the participants in the Washington trials to attend our meet, and we hope for a number of entries from there. We will run an open derby and an all-age stake. Our birds are principally Chinese pheasants, but work on any kind of game birds counts. For information address the secretary at 401 Selling Building, Portland, Ore.

L. A. WHEELER, Sec'y.

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Ty Cobb, the famous baseball player, according to report, is to become a trainer of bird dogs, it being claimed he knows how to handle them as well as he does base hits. The Georgia Peach, as he is often called, has become part owner of a hunting preserve of 6,000 acres along the Savannah River, in Georgia, in company with E. C. Rogers, John Philip Sousa Jr. and several other sportsmen, which they expect to stock with game and go there every winter to hunt, and to the famous Detroit center fielder has been assigned the task of training the dogs in preparation for the hunting season.

SEATTLE ANGLERS TO SAVE FISH.

Fearing that thousands of trout and other game will be killed when the canal between Lake Union and Lake Washington is pumped out to build the north wall, members of the Seattle Fly and Bait Casting Club will offer their services to County Game Warden Rief to have the fish seined out of the canal and liberated in Lake Washington. This decision was reached at a meeting of the club in the Press Club theater.

When the water is pumped out the fish will be trapped. As the water is lowered the club members believe the fish can be seined and quickly transplanted to Lake Washington.

Suckers, chubs and the hoi polloi of fishdom will be left to their fate, while the aristocratic trout and bass will be rescued.

The club planned to give an excursion last Sunday to Berlin, near Skyhomish . A special train was run to carry the fishermen and their families and stops were made at Grotto and Index for shipping members of the party streams near those towns.

The first prize of the May membership contest, as a result of which forty-one new members have been secured, was won by Thomas Blanchard, who was given a rod and a set of thermos bottles. The second prize, a pair of rubber waders, went to B. B. Farr, while the third prize, a fly rod, was won by C. D. Thomas.

Oregon Fishing Licenses Lag.—The late season experienced this spring held back other crops besides the rose crop this year, as was ascertained at the meeting of the Oregon Fish and Game Commission.

The fishing license crop, for instance.

The income up to date from the sale of fishing licenses is $6000 less than it was last year. This is attributed to the high water and cold weather in May, which made fishing rather poor.

With the advance of the season, however, the Commission believes that the number of licenses taken out will be restored to normal.

It was decided by the Commission at its meeting that an exhibit should be made at the State Fair this fall. Elk from Wallowa county, live fish, pheasants and other animals and birds will be placed in the exhibit.

Material improvements were ordered for the McKenzie River hatchery.

Carey M. Ramsby has been appointed special deputy game warden during the tourist season for Klamath county.

Drink Jackson's Napa Soda.

MAKE GAME LAWS MORE RESTRICTIVE.

"Unless game laws are made more restrictive in California, a comparatively few years will find our wild life resources as limited as now obtains in some Eastern States. We must cut down limits further still, or sportsmen will have only fine hunts, and no game for their vacations."

Such is the statement of Dr. Joseph Grinnell, the bird expert of the University of California. Dr. Grinnell has just returned from a two months' trip throughout the East and he has had opportunity to observe conditions at first hand. His primary work was the study of collections of birds taken in California years before the State had a corps of scientists of its own. Many of these vertebrates are now extinct and it is only by their study that a complete understanding of present species may be had.

"Many hunters told me," said Dr. Grinnell, "that game in the Adirondacks, once the greatest hunting ground in this country, is now so scarce that it is unusual to bay a limit. Of all the Eastern States that have game areas Maine seems to excel in both quantity of game and co-operation of citizens.

"In Maine, game is looked on as an asset. Thousands of tourists go into the State each year to hunt, and the people have come to look upon game with a business eye. Needless to say there is little poaching.

"From all that I have seen I am convinced that California is leading in the matter of conservation. Our great areas make sufficient protection difficult, but the educational system which we have inaugurated is already showing its effect. But still we must cut down limits and protect young game, else we will find ourselves in the predicament of the Adirondacks."

THE KENNEL FOR WARM WEATHER.

The first step (and perhaps the most important) in the building of warm weather kennels is the selection of a site.

Shade, drainage and exposure must all be considered. It will not do to expect dogs to swelter in the hot sun all day when men have to seek the refuge of shady piazzas. Deciduous trees which filter the rays of the sun and temper the heat without causing dampness form the most desirable sort of protection in this respect. It will do no harm if the building itself lies within the shadow of a tree for an hour or so in the afternoon; at any rate there must positively be a shaded area in the enclosure.

A gently sloping hill is desirable because drainage is facilitated thereby, and this is a most important item. Care must, however, be taken to avoid damp hollows where the mist collects at night, for such a location is as fatal to the health of a dog as to a man's.

The best possible construction calls for a roof of tile, lined with felt. This is expensive, to be sure, and where small individual kennels are employed is hardly essential. Don't use tin! Wood is not bad, provided it is heavily painted with some mixture which will not absorb heat excessively. In case wood is used, a very good scheme is to make the roof double with an air circulation chamber between. Do not forget that it is just as important to have gutters and water-vents on the kennel as on the house to avoid leaks and dampness inside.

Concrete is by all odds the best material for the floors of the kennel because it is easiest kept clean and does not become chilled like stone. Wood should be avoided by all means, as it is impossible to keep absolutely clean and aseptic a kennel having a wooden floor. It is a good scheme to sprinkle clean sawdust on the floor, to be swept up at night.

Puppies are best kept by themselves while being raised. For this purpose an outdoor yard with small, movable kennels is excellent.

Coarse grained pottery will keep the drinking water much cooler than do iron or porcelain bowls, because the porous ware permits a gradual percolation and evaporation on the outside. This is especially noticeable if there is a slight breeze . By all means be sure the drinking vessels hold enough and are noncapsizable.

NEW HANDICAP SYSTEM.

Over in the Middle West, trapshooting clubs are giving a new handicap system a trial, which so far has proved satisfactory. The system is simple and works automatically once it is started. By way of example—we will suppose five men are shooting a match in 20-target events. They all start at 16 yards. Thereafter each man's handicap in yards is governed by the score he makes in the preceding event. A man breaking 18 from the 16-yard mark in the first event, shoots from the 18-yard mark in the second event. Should he break 20 in the second event from the 18-yard mark, he shoots from 20 yards in the third event. Should he break 16 from the 20 yards in the third event, he shoots from the 16-yard in the fourth event. Breaking 19 in the fourth event, he shoots from the 19-yard mark in the fifth event. Suppose he breaks 17 in the fifth event, his total score would be 90x100. The advantage of this system is its simplicity. No extra work is necessary by the secretary or handicap committee. Every man knows where he shoots the next event and promptly takes his proper place when called upon to shoot. This system can also be worked in 15 and 25-target events, on the same basis as above outlined. A man breaking 15x15 would shoot from the 20-yard mark in the next event, as would a man breaking 25x25.

Many Recruits Breaking Into Trap-Shooting

BEGINNERS' TOURNAMENTS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY ARE PROVING POPULAR

Golden Gate Club.—Ideal weather conditions existed Sunday for the monthly shoot of the Golden Gate Gun Club on the Alameda grounds. E. Holle achieved the distinction of breaking 49 out of 50 and led the amateurs. Dick Reed set up a similar score and topped the professionals.

Others were close behind the leaders. Toney Prior was there with 48, Andy Flickinger, W. J. Terry, F. K. Burnham and Lem Hawxhurst 47 apiece. It was some of the best shooting of the season. Miss Meyers busted 41 in competing with the men shooters. The scores were as follows:

Events—	20	20	10	Total
H. C. Peet	14	16	9	39
Dr. Topham	18	18	9	45
H. Stelling	18	17	8	43
E. Holle	19	20	10	49
A. M. Gearhart	8	9	7	24
*H. Truscott	12	8	5	25
*W. Stadfeldt	13	13	6	32
J. H. Miller	17	13	7	32
D .D. Jones (20-gauge)	14	16	5	35
A. E. Stoneberger	17	11	10	38
F. K. Burnham	19	18	10	47
C. A. Merrill	20	16	9	45
Capt. Du Bray	14	14	7	35
R. E. McGill	16	17	7	40
T. W. Parsons	15	16	8	39
W. H. Price	16	15	8	39
*W. Ellis	16	16	8	40
*R. C. Reed	20	20	9	49
A. G. Flickinger	19	19	9	47
W. J. Terry	20	17	10	47
F. Webster	18	16	9	43
D. Best	18	12	9	39
*O. N. Jones	14	17	5	36
F. D. Riley	17	17	9	43
H. C. Golcher	15	16	10	41
Dr. Eaton	12	8	9	29
P. Swenson	13	14	9	36
C. Moore	9	15	5	29
T. Handman	16	19	9	44
D. O. Orr	17	18	8	44
O'Hara	17	13	9	39
E. C. La Montague	16	15	8	39
Toney Prior	19	20	9	48
Miss Meyers	17	17	7	41
J. T. Prior	19	14	9	42
A. Korn	15	12	8	35
. Nelson	20	17	8	45
F. Blum	16	10	5	31
. H. Beetham	15	12	5	32
. Hall	15	14	7	36
L. Hawxhurst	20	19	8	47
. Stadfeld	12	20	7	39
. Avery	19	18	8	45
. Lancaster	10	13	10	42
. H. Jones	10	17	8	35
Eugene Foster	17	14	7	38

(*Professionals.)

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Seattle Association.—The clay birds certainly were ome "twisters" out on the Harbor Island grounds une 11. The wind caught perfect flying targets and ut up all kinds of capers with them, putting curves n the same that would puzzle some of the big league igh percentage hitters.

Fred Landwehr furnished the high amateur score or the day both in the fifty-target bunch and also the undred-bird race, with scores of forty-four and ighty-eight. L. H. Reid shot the high professional core in the same events with forty-eight and ninety-ve to his credit.

Bill Hardy was on the grounds for the first time is year and although he has not "trapshot" for ome time showed that he could still come back. ouglas Huntington appeared for the first time since rly in the season, coming out to break in a new gun.

The McKelvey class trophy race resulted in Hugh leming being high in class A, J. V. Hough in class and "Dok" Hager first in the D class. Several ooters in each class now have two wints to their edit and by a little work some one man in his class n step out and grab the trophy. It takes three ins to become the owner of the cup.

All Wednesday shoots will start hereafter at 4 p. m. stead of 2 p. m. The scores, at 50 targets:—

*L. H. Reid 48, *D. Rhodes 45, Fred Landwehr 44, S. Searle 43, Tom Wilkes 43, Hugh Fleming 41, V. Hough 41, C. E. McKelvey 40, G. A. Canuck 40, W. Brehm 37, J. H. Wilman 33, William Hardy 33, R. Hager 23.

At 100 targets—*L. H. Reid 95, *D. Rhodes 90, Fred ndwehr 88, Hugh Fleming 86, Tom Wilkes 81, C. E. Kelvey 80, L. S. McIntyre 25, Douglas Huntington (*Professionals.)

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Tacoma Club.—The Tacoma Gun Club held its ni-monthly shoot at Manito June 11, when J. C. nsen proved to be the shooting star by winning th the Mellinger medal and the Majestic Cafe phy. J. Cooper won the White Flyer fob. Griffin, les, Dague and Young all tied for high average on Everding diamond pin. Bales and Dague tied for h average on the Dupont Powder Company trophy. ung won the Hercules Powder Company trophy.

COMING REGISTERED TOURNAMENTS.

California.

Los Angeles, July 3, 4—Vernon Gun Club.

Eureka, July 4—Eureka Blue Rock Club, H. A. Hine, President.

Oregon.

Portland, July 10—Portland Club, Frank Templeton, Secretary.

Portland, Sept. 12, 13, 14—Pacific Coast Handicap.

Washington.

Seattle, July 4—"Old Policy," Green Lake Gun Club, W. C. Smith, Secretary

Tacoma, July 18, 19, 20, 21—Pacific Indians, F. C. Riehl, Secretary.

The challenge cup was not shot for on account of the present holder, A. Z. Smith, not being on the grounds. There were no spoons won, as no one was able to break 25 straight. Bales and Jensen each broke 24. The following scores were made for the Mellinger medal out of 50 birds:—

	Broke.	Hdcp.	Ttl.
Dague	44	5	49
Jensen	40	9	49
Young	41	7	48
J. Cooper	46	1	47
Mellinger	29	16	45
Bales	41	5	46
Griffin	41	5	46
Christian	25	16	41

Following scores made out of 100 birds for Majestic Cafe trophy:—

	Broke.	Hdcp.	Ttl.
Jensen	85	10	95
J. Cooper	91	1	92
Young	80	11	91
Dague	86	4	90
Griffin	80	10	90
Bales	87	2	89
Mellinger	57	31	88
Christian	50	32	82

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Green Lake Club.—The usual large crowd was in attendance June 11th at the weekly shoot of the Green Lake Gun Club, and while a strong north wind kept the targets jumping in all directions, some fine scores were made.

L .S. Barnes repeated his performance of last week by getting 49 out of 50, and incidentally carried off high honors for the day. J. L. King, a visitor from Juneau, Alaska ,tied with W. H. Carsten and W. C. Smith for second place ,each getting 47 out of 50. Mr. King has every reason to feel proud of his score, made on strange grounds and with a strong wind blowing. C. R. Sydman and H. S. Gibson also showed up well, shooting with the club for the first time.

The scores, 50 targets:—

L. S. Barnes 49, J. H. King 47, W. H. Carsten 47, W. C. Smith 47, *eGorge H. Garrison 46, C. R. Sydman 44, Dr. King 43, H. S. Gibson 43, Hi Follrich 43, G. Scripture 42, Jack Converse 42, E. K. Van Vleck 42, S. A. Martin 42, George H. Young 41, George B. Baker 41, George Edling 40, F. E. Bronson 39, M. A. Rosenfield 37, Fred Pries 36, E. Chantrell 33, J. R. Gibson 33, S. E. Bacon 32, E. Bauer 31, H. M. Carver 30, George O. Colwell 30, W. M. Elliott 29, W. H. Giezentanner 25, D. Fortin 21, George D. Horst 20.

W. M. Elliott and S. E. Bacon shot 20-gauge guns.

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Beginners' Shoots.—Throughout the month Beginners' Shoots have been staged in all sections of the country. Anyone who has not shot at 500 targets up to May first is eligible to go into the contests and members of the clubs have induced their friends to try their hands and eyes at the "sport alluring." The Golden Gate Club is going to take its turn at the Alameda grounds on Sunday in promoting one of the events. A big crowd is expected to turn up at the traps and assist the beginners. Trap shooting is one sport where the newcomer is given all the assistance and advice gained by the experience of the old-timers.

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Vernon Club.—The George T. Cline trophy, a diamond medal, which has been shot for in fifty-bird contests at yardage handicaps for several months, was won for the third time Sunday at the Vernon Gun Club by Mrs. C. E. Groat, the amateur champion woman trap shooter.

In the fifty-bird event the amazon shooter tied with Dr. L. M. Packard and William Browner, each with a score of 48 50.

The tie was shot off at twenty-five birds, Mrs. Groat firing from seventeen yards, Packard from twenty-two and Brawner from eighteen. Mrs. Groat won out, breaking 24 birds. Packard squelched 23 and Brawner killed 23.

By winning the third leg on the medal Mrs. Groat gained the permanent possession of the trophy.

Fred Kimble took high honors in the William H. Hoegee handicap shoot, hanging up a score of 48x50. Stanton Bruner was runner-up in this event, breaking forty-seven targets.

Following these events the twenty-gauge competition was put on, with C. W. Fish and C. E. Groat tying with scores of 23x25. The scores follow:—

Shooter—	Hdcp. yds.	Cline 50	Hoegee 50
Vories	18	46	47
S. A. Bruner	20	47	47
Lawertuce	16	..	..
Kimble	16	..	48
Llewellyn	16	46	..
Armstrong	16	..	..
Meek	18	42	45
Miller	16	39	..
Dierdoff	18	47	46
Crossman	18	45	..
Packard	22	48	46
Dr. Friend	16	46	..
Miss Wheeler	16	44	..
Dickey	16	42	..
Espitallis	16	41	..
A. W. Bruner	16	46	41
Pugh	18	46	46
Dr. Cooper	16	43	..
Manderville	18	45	46
Knoff	16	38	..
Wilson	16	44	..
Van Ness	16	44	41
C. E. Groat	18	44	41
Brawner	18	48	..
Bale	16	37	44
Mrs. Groat	17	48	46
C. W. Fish	16	44	40
W. E. Patner	16	..	..

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Los Angeles Club.—Sensational scores by the women shooters featured the weekly shoot tourney at the Los Angeles Gun Club on Sunday. Mrs. Wheeler turned in the best score, 45x50. She was closely pressed by Mrs. Heine Pfirrmann with 43x50. Mrs. Mohler finished third with 40x50.

A. Arneill tied with Heine Pfirrmann in the prize shoot with 50x50. Second place was a tie between K. Mohler and C. D. Hagerman with 48x50.

A 47x50 by W. H. Cornelius captured the diamond stickpin.

Diamond Pin Shoot—

	Hdcp.	Broke
W. W. Butler	16	36x50
Baron Ropp	16	46x50
G. Middleton	16	44x50
A. Ropp, Jr.	16	39x50
K. C. Koppe	16	37x50
H. Pfirrmann	21	44x50
C. F. Nichols	21	45x50
O. Evans	20	45x50
E. K. Mohler	20	45x50
O. Council	18	43x50
F. H. Nichols	18	46x50
H. E. Sargent	19	43x50
V. A. Rossbach	19	41x50
H. Cline	18	42x50
W. H. Cornelius	19	47x50
J. Arneill	18	44x50
L. R. Mellus	18	42x50
C. D. Hagerman	18	44x50
Geo. Melford	17	40x50
C. H. Betz	16	44x50
P. O. Long	16	39x50
C. H. Hurst	16	37x50
A. G. Cable	16	46x50
A. L. Lowe	16	44x50
B. G. Adams	17	40x50

Season Prize Event—

D. G. Kinney 47, Dr. S. B. Friend 42, Miss A. Wheeler 45, Mrs. E. K. Mohler 40, Wm. Kennedy 45, Seth Hart 44, C. M. Wood 45, A. De Augustine 42, W. F. Lorentzen 41, T. P. Manderville 46, J. McKeon 35, R. B. Smith 42, Mrs. Pfirrman 43, Ed Salisbury 44, E. McDowell 23, J. D. Cantrell 40, Mrs. Cantrell 8, Mrs. Sargent 8, Ray Finn 39, F. H. Teeple Jr. 41, F. H. Teeple Sr. 42, C. H. Betz 43, A. L. Rowe 41, P. O. Long 45, H. Cline 41, A. G. Wilkes 47, A. Bosch 35, F. H. Nichols 45, B. G. Adams 47, T. B. Sloan 38, O. D. Ashton 36, C. H. Temple 34, J. E. Morrell 29, Geo. Melford 43, J. L. Brown 41, C. D. Hagerman 48, L. R. Mellus 44, C. F. Nichols 44, O. Younce 42, J. F. Younce 31, W. E. Palmer 28, H. E. Morris 40, M. Steel 43, J. M. Jones 37, M. A. Millard 42, J. G. Griffith 44, W. W. Butler 38, Baron A. Ropp 40, Geo. Middleton 42, A. Ropp Jr. 38, K. C. Kloppe 32, O. Council 46, F. H. Mellus 44, H. Pfirrmann 50, E. K. Mohler 48, W. H. Cornelius 47, H. E. Sargent 41, F. Free 45, O. Evans 45, V. A. Rossbach 45, E. Ekdale 42, J. Arneill 50, Marvin White 38, J. W. White 44.

Double Targets—E. K. Mohler 44, H. Pfirrmann 43, P. O. Long 41, H. Cline 22, J. Arneill 18, O. Evans 19, L. R. Mellus 16, H. E. Sargent 15, W. H. Cornelius 15.

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The trapshooters of Arizona are trying to hold their tournament for the State title as late as possible. They have listed it to take place at the Phoenix Gun Club on November 13, 14 and 15.

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Following the demonstration by Mrs. Topperwein in Topeka, the women of that city have formed an auxiliary to the Topeka Gun Club. They have engaged in one ten-target match.

SIGN OF THE SAIL FISH.

"The sign of the sail fish," is a familiar expression with the fishermen off the coast of Florida. Willie Ritchie, the San Francisco boy who was the lightweight boxing champion of the world, had the pleasure of watching the signs when he paid a visit to Palm Beach several months ago. Ritchie declares that the sport of catching the gamey fish is all the rage at the fashionable resort.

"No one misses going sail fishing when paying a visit to Palm Beach," declared Ritchie the other day. "I went out on several parties and had the good fortune and the thrill of pulling in one that measured seven feet, two inches in length. There are launches especially fitted up for sail fishing that are for hire at a normal figure. There are seats arranged in the stern of the motor boat and a belt arrangement whereby the rod can be held securely. You usually go about a half-mile off-shore and then troll. There is a drag pressure on the line which speeds along on the surface of the water. All you do is to sit there and watch for the sign of the sail fish and to get a strike.

"The fish swim along the surface with their sail fin sticking out of the water. You can see these sails plainly. The fish are propelled along by the wind catching these sails. When you do get one of these big fellows on your line you have a battle landing him in the boat. They fight desperately, pulling and tugging for upwards of an hour. You need a powerful rod and line to aid you in the contest.

"There is another game fish in the florida waters that are popular with the anglers. I think they call them Amber Jack. Shark-fishing is also a pastime indulged in. I have seen shark pulled in on the Palm Beach pier that weighed from 400 to 500 pounds. Everyone goes in for fishing and some good sport was had during my visit there."

Ritchie is an enthusiast on fishing and hunting. Every year he goes up in the Tehama county mountains and puts in several weeks in quest of game. Last fall he managed to bring down a bear and a buck. He will start out in August this year and is looking forward to an interesting trip.

MANY NEW RIFLE CLUBS.

The growth of the National Rifle Association of America during five months of the year 1916 has been phenomenal.

Four hundred and forty-three Civilian Rifle Clubs, 7 College Rifle Clubs, 2 Preparatory and Military School Rifle Clubs, 31 High School Rifle Clubs have been organized during that time and have been supplied with arms and ammunition of the Krag pattern in sufficient quantity to participate in rifle practice.

This has been accomplished by one man on the job, assisted by four stenographers, an office boy and a multigraph operator backed by the advice of the N. R. A. Executive Committee consisting of ten patriotic citizens.

1082 Civilian Clubs, 71 College Clubs, 44 Preparatory and Military School Clubs, and 118 High School Clubs are now enrolled. These clubs have between 80,000 and 90,000 members all interested and learning how to handle military rifles.

Section 113 of the army reorganization bill to Encourage Rifle Practice will do much to promote rifle shooting among citizens.

The rifle club membership offers a splendid field in time of peace from which to recruit reserves and members of civilian training camps provided for in the army reorganization bill.

In the event of war many thousand of these men trained in the use of the military arm will respond to the call to the colors.

Any effort made by you to interest citizens of your state in the organization of rifle clubs will be appreciated. Arms and ammunition will be supplied. Why not a rifle club in every county?

I will be pleased to send instructions and necessary blank forms to all who may apply for same or to such parties as you may name.

Very respectfully,
(MAJOR) FRED H. PHILLIPS, Jr.,
Assistant Recorder, N. R. A.

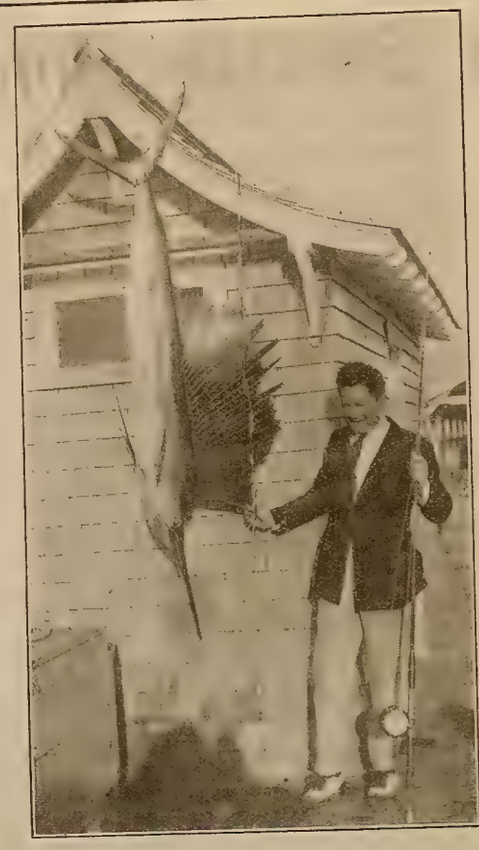
MANY TROUT DIE IN IRRIGATION DITCHES.

Washington, D. C.—Thorough tests of devices to prevent fish from entering irrigation ditches are to be made by Forest Service officers, who say that thousands of the trout placed in western streams by the government are killed through being carried into the ditches and washed out on the fields. There are not less than 1,200 irrigation projects on or near the National Forests, and in many places the loss of trout is very heavy. The amount of water used in irrigation, it is said, often determines the advisability of artificially stocking the streams.

The government annually plants large quantities of fish fry in the streams of the National Forests. Last year over 1,100,000 were planted in Colorado and Wyoming alone. This was done to render the forests more attractive to the puble by affordng good fishing. Where much of the water is used for irrigation, unless the ditches are screened, the trout enter and are washed out on to the fields. While fish are said to make good tertilizer, officials think that trout are too expensive to be used for that purpose.

Most of the States in the West have laws requiring that the ditches be screened, but these laws are seldom enforced. The farmers are said o dislike the screens, because they collect drift—wood and trash—which prevents the free flow of the water. Very often, too, it is stated, the farmers can supply their families with a mess of fish by collecting the trout which are found in the fields.

A number of devices for screening the ditches are in use, and while two or three have been found to be fairly satisfactory most of them are said to be unsatisfactory. It is asserted that this subject presents an excellent opportunity for inventors, since a successful screen will be sure to be widely used. Under present conditions officials are slow to recommend that the trout be placed in streams where they are apt to be led off into the irrigation ditches.



THE SIGN OF THE SAIL FISH

Willie Ritchie, former boxing champion, is pictured with one of these denizens of the deep that he caught off the coast of Florida in February. The fish measured 7 feet 2 inches in length.

COUNTRY MODEL JUDGED BEST DOG IN OAKLAND PET SHOW.

Country Model, the bulldog owned by Anton Korbel of San Francisco, was judged the best dog in the show Saturday night, at the close of the banner Oakland pet exhibition which ran three days.

Titern Tip Top, owned by Mrs. Anita Baldwin, was judged the best dog owned and exhibited by a lady exhibitor.

Other awards were to Nicholas of S. V., owned by Miss Jean Forgeus, the best American dog owned and exhibited by breeder and also best California-bred dog. The other winners were:

French bulldog—Winner dog, Vendome Bounou, owned by B. I. Bloch; winner bitch, Brackenside Fauvette, owned by Jack Bradshow.

Boston terriers—Winner dog, Arab Jr., owned by W. S. Macey; winner bitch, Tryou's Queen Adele, owned by Mrs. F. M. Tryon.

Fox terriers—Winner dog, Tallac Ted, owned by Mrs. W. T. Lalley; winner bitch, El Sur Modesty, owned by the El Sur kennels.

Fox terriers, wire—Winner dog, El Sur Spotlight, owned by El Sur kennels; winner bitch, Mulnomah Crosspatch, owned by W. B. Fiechheimer.

Selyham terriers—Winner dog, Bromley Star, owned by Mrs. John Bradshaw.

Irish terriers—Winner dog, Napper Tandy, owned by Dr. A. P. Leonard; winner bitch, Molly Make Believe, owned by Mrs. James Woods.

Scotch terriers—Winner dog, Butterscotch, owned by El Sur kennels; winner bitch, Heatherbloom, owned by James McDonald.

West Highland white terriers—Winner dog, Witchford Jock, owned by Mrs. D. O. Lively; winner bitch, Joan II, owned by Mrs. Charles Lyman.

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Vallejo Club.—The Vallejo Club will stage a big merchandise shoot on Sunday. Quite a number of shooters from surrounding cities are expected to put in an attendance. San Francisco will send up a delegation to join in the fun with the Vallejo boys.

SHAD RUNNING AT SACRAMENTO.

Shad are running freely at present, a fact that is being taken advantage of by many Sacramento citizens who are using dip nets to catch this fish so much favored by the epicures. As the shad travels mostly in the evening and night, in its migrations from the sea to the spawning grounds, fishers have the best success with dip nets in the evening.

The run of shad was delayed this season because of the cold weather, for the shad will not leave salt water until the temperature of the streams grows warm. Now the fish are moving freely and the state shad hatchery is busied taking the eggs.

Locally the shad is not much in demand as a food fish because few housewives have the patience to cook and serve the fish so that the bones will not bother. In the East the shad is a favorite and commands a high price, hence many tons of the California catch annually find their way across the continent.—Sacramento Union.

GOLDEN BEAVERS TO BE DRIVEN FROM HOMES

Mandeville Island, situated between Middle and Old rivers, on the lower San Joaquin, will be reclaimed this spring. Mr. Geo. Shima, the "potato king," has secured the property and will put it into potatoes. Since this island has long been the home of several colonies of golden beavers (Castor subauratus) this bit of news is of particular interest. The first step in this reclamation project will be the draining of the land and burning of the tules and undergrowth. Those beavers which escape the flames will be driven elsewhere. It is natural to expect, therefore, that there will be additional damage to levees due to the building of new burrows and that there will follow a reduction in numbers of this valuable fur-bearer.

This instance emphasizes the often cited fact that in the reclamation of land we have one of the strongest factors tending toward the extermination of wild life. To find a solution for a problem such as this is extremely difficult. A tract of land set aside as a refuge where beaver might breed unmolested appears to offer a practical solution until methods of capture and transportation are considered, when such a project immediately appears less leasible. In fact, a study of the problem tends to emphasize the hopelessness of the situation. The dollar looms large alongside of sentiment in favor of protecting wild life. So long as this viewpoint is paramount in the minds of the public the cause of wild life conservation will suffer. When sentiment comes more to the front as it did when the effort was made to save Yosemite Valley and Niagara Falls, even such obstacles as the one outlined above will be overcome.—California Fish and Game Commission.

FOREST SERVICE DISTRIBUTES MAPS TO CAMPERS.

A shipment of more than three thousand maps of the Trinity and Stanislaus National Forests was received recently at the headquarters of the Forest Service for distribution to the public, according to a report given out by the District Forester. This shipment is the first of approximately 80,000 maps of the Stanislaus, California, Trinity, Eldorado, Shasta, Plumas, Tahoe, Sierra, Sequoia and Lassen National Forests which will be available this summer for the use of campers and travelers in the above mentioned National Forests. The compilation and distribution of maps, campers' handbooks, and other literature, is in line with the intention of the Forest Service to promote a wider and more general use of all National Forest resources, and to aid the recreation seeking public in utilizing these "Playgrounds of the People."

The new recreation maps are printed in colors on the scale of one-half inch to one mile, and are very complete in detail. Trails, roads, supply stations, automobile highways, are shown. The best fishing and game regions are indicated. Forest Service headquarters, telephone stations, fire tool boxes, camp grounds, and regions of great scenic interest are marked, and much other valuable information is given. On the reverse side of the maps are printed concise histories and descriptions of the forests, with excerpts from the California Fish and Game laws, a record of the distribution of fish fry by the State Fish and Game Commission in co-operation with the Forest officers, and in some cases distance tables.

The attention of the camper is called particularly to the fact that no charge is made for entering upon or camping upon any National Forest area, nor is the camper subjected to annoyin gsurveillance on the part of Forest officers, and that other than reasonable regulations which are chiefly in respect to fire and sanitation, no restrictions are imposed.

The Billings Rod and Gun Club of Billings, Mont. has a regular shoot program that is novel and interesting, and at the same time provides a wide diversity of shooting for the members, giving them practice in handicap and double target shooting, as well as singles. The regular program consists of 50 targets, made up of five events, as follows:

25 targets at16 yards.
5 targets at 18 yards.
5 targets at 20 yards.
5 targets at 22 yards.
10 targets (5 pair) doubles.

Sportsmen's Row

Discoveries of strange animals that rival those of Roosevelt in the River of Doubt have been made in California, acording to a report by the University of California, covering the recent biological survey in Trinity, Siskiyou and Shasta counties. The publication reports the discovery of flying squirrels of a type not known until recently, an animal called the mountain beaver and a new variety of kangaroo rat. More than a thousand mammals have been placed in the California Museum of Vertebrate Zoology as a result of the survey.

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No wonder Al Durney is such a lover of the gun and rod. It has just been discovered that he is the nephew of Elmer S. Daniels, one of the pioneer sportsmen of California. Mr. Daniels for years owned the Ft. Seward horse ranch and has been interested in healthy outdoor sports.

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Jay Graham, now a professional, but in 1912 an amateur, and as such the winner of the Olympic trap shooting championship at Stockholm, Sweden, has been requested by the International Olympic Committee to return the challenge trophy that he won at that time to the American Olympic Committee, to be held until such time as these contests are renewed. This challenge prize was presented by Lord Westbury, and according to the rules under which Olympic challenge prizes are awarded, there is one which stipulates that such prizes shall be sent uninjured to the Organization Committee for the next Olympic Games before January 1, 1916. However, on account of the conditions prevailing in Europe at the present time, the International Olympic Committee desires that the American Committee retain and take charge of the said challenge prize for the present.

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Miss Lucille Meusel, of Green Bay, Wis., who is probably one of the youngest girl trapshooters we have, has a decided opinion that trapshooting is just the sport for girls. Miss Lucille is 15 years old, but she uses a 12-gauge gun and the regular 3 dram loads. She has been shooting about a year now and so well does she handle her gun, and so expert has she become, that she takes her place in the squad with the men and shoots under the same conditions.

Miss Lucille shoots at the Green Bay Gun and Game Club, and last year had an average of 78%. Her best scores have been 23x25, 21x25 and 18x20, while straight runs of 19, 17 and 12 are on record to her credit.

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The Trapshooting School on the Million Dollar Pier in Atlantic City, N. J., is turning out a lot of trapshooters these bright cheerful days. During the month of May 298 persons tried their skill with the 20-gauge guns at targets thrown over the waters of the Atlantic ocean, and of this number just one-half—149—were men who had never before shot at targets thrown from traps and in addition there were 21 women novices.

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The Amateur Trapshooters' Association now has a club membership of 595.

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At a recent tournament of the Huntington, W. Va., Gun Club, 40 employees of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad were given the use of the traps and the railroaders acquitted themselves creditably. Now they are going to form a club of their own.

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Not less than 1500 were fishing from the Southern California beach between Santa Monica and the southernmost limits of the Los Angeles exodus at Encinitas during Sunday a week ago, and the week-end camping party is steadily increasing in popularity as good sport becomes appreciated.

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If Robert I. Knapp of Half Moon Bay had been born three months sooner he might now be occupying a cell in the San Mateo county jail. Knapp, who is 20 years and 9 months old, was arrested by Game Warden Jack Burke for having a deer in his possession. He was brought before Justice of the Peace Johnson. The magistrate found him guilty and sentenced him to pay a fine of $50 and spend thirty days in the county jail. Upon learning that the defendant was still under age, however, the court suspended the jail sentence. Knapp paid the $50.

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The fishing season at Big Bear lake has developed a young "phenom" with rod and reel whose record this year will be hard to beat. John Merriman, 11-year-old son of Mrs. C. W. Merriman of Redlands, is the happy youngster whose first fishing season has proven him an adept at the sport. John has been at Pine Knot two weeks, and intends to spend the entire summer there. He had never before tried trout fishing, but when he saw the string of Bear Lake beauties which the older anglers bring in every morning, he immediately started making catches.

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Mr. Arthur E. Grafton, Jr., of Tacoma, Wash., purchased that fine winning bitch, Champion Soo Flora-dora, from Mr. W. S. Bartley, San Francisco, last month.

Trapshooters, attention! Get ready for the 1916 Grand American Handicap Trapshooting Tournament scheduled for St. Louis, August 21st, 22d, 23d, 24th and 25th. The St. Louis boys say "watch us, we are going to give you this year the biggest and best Grand American Handicap ever." St. Louis usually does as she says she will, so look out. Plan your vacation so you can take in the Grand American Handicap. Tell your shooter friends about it. Get them to go along. If the Grand American Handicap has a thousand entries you'll be sorry you missed it. Go, then, everybody, and it will have more than a thousand. Do it yourself. Don't leave it to George. We repeat—go to the Grand American Handicap this year.

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A 13-pounder (Native trout) caught off the Lake Tahoe Tavern pier by Mr. Jno. Adams of Boston.

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Several trout of the Silver variety have been taken between Cornelian Bay and Brockway in the shallow water by Ralph Lowe of San Jose. Lowe has been coming to the Lake for the last 25 years and it was he who won the Linnard cup last year for having landed the biggest fish during the season. He averages two big fish a day ranging in weight from five to ten pounds. He uses a 7½ oz. rod and spinner.

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Chas. Sutro of San Francisco, who is staying at the Tavern with his mother, went over to Glenbrook and landed a 16-pounder on the rod. This is the largest fish taken so far this season. Sutro was so enthusiastic that he remained over at Glenbrook(hoping to get some more big fellows.

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Woolfolk Henderson had anything but good fortune in the Kentucky state tournament. He won the high average with 394 breaks in 400 targets; broke 100 straight in the Caskey cup match; 99 in the Kentucky Trapshooters' Association championship; broke 197 out of 200 each day, and yet did not win the State championship. He broke 97 out of 100 in this and lost to J. D. Gay, who broke 98. These three misses were the only ones that Henderson had on the second day.

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In the New Jersey championship tournament Cleve Speer broke 99 targets according to the referee, but Speer thinks he should have been given a clean score, asserting that he broke his 95th bird, which the referee decided was a miss.

NORTHWESTERN PACIFIC PUBLISHES FOLDER ON FISHING.

The Northwestern Pacific Railroad has added another to its issues of attractive advertising literature in the form of a fifteen-page, illustrated folder devoted exclusively to its line in Northern California. The half-tone cuts depict scenes along river, lake, mountain and marsh, with fish and game in alluring evidence. It also contains an admirable map of the line, which shows in detail streams and roads adjacent, and contains a list of resorts and lodges that cater to the huntsman and angler. The thoroughness with which the varieties of fishing, the seasons and locations, are set forth in this publication is a credit to the Northwestern Pacific.

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Trade Notes.—John C. Martin of Harrisburg, Penn., has been attracting the attention of shooters all over the State lately, by excellent shooting form. On June 3rd at Allentown, Mr. Martin started a run of 38 unfinished. At Catawissa on June 6th, he brought this run up to 150 with still more to go and put the finishing touches on at Newmanstown on June 10th, when he brought the grand total up to 229 straight. With this sort of a start, the season ought to be a big one for Mr. Martin, who is shooting "Arrows" throughout.

Scores of 100 straight are not unusual, but when two State Championships are won with perfect scores it makes us sit up and take notice, and that is just what H. J. Pendergast and R. A. King did. These gentlemen, both of whom shot Nitro Club shells, won the New York and Colorado classics respectively. Mr. King was also high amateur with 489x500 and high on all targets with 620x650.

The Michigan State Championship was won by Joseph Bryant, of Battle Creek, shooting a Remington pump gun and Nitro Clubs. Bryant also won high amateur average, 340x350; 2nd, Robt. Bock, 333x350; 3rd, C. A. Galbraith, 331x350, both using the same Perfect Shooting Combination employed by Mr. Bryant.

OLYMPIC CLUB HAS CRACK SHOTS.

Breeder and Sportsman:

The Olympic Club Pistol and Rifle Team reported at Fort Barry Sunday, June 18th, for the annual individual qualification shoot and Members' Match with the military rifle.

Samuel T. Rodgers won the Members' Match with a score of 137 out of 150, and will be awarded the medal issued by the War Department.

The following members qualified as Expert Riflemen: V. D. Cousins, C. W. Linder, R. Mills, W. C. Prichard, S. T. Rodgers, G. L. Scoville, C. T. Blanck and Robert Staats. As Sharpshooters: W. F. Blasse, J. D. Millikin. As Marksman: C. W. Randall.

Mr. C. F. Williams of the San Francisco Telephone Rifle Club won the expert rating also and Mr. Frank Payne of the Los Angeles Rifle Club Team received the marksman rating.

Decorations for all of the qualified men will be furnished by the War Department. This is a phenomenal performance for so many men to qualify as experts out of a total of twelve Olympians and two guests participating. These men are now prepared to serve as instructors to the new recruits in National Guard and Volunteer organizations in the event that their services are desired. They are now also ready to meet all comers in military matches, under any conditions. Yours truly,

OLYMPIC CLUB RIFLE & PISTOL TEAM,
V. D. COUSINS, Secretary.

CALIFORNIA STATE CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION.

Deputy Fish and Game Commissioner.

The California State Civil Service Commission announces an examination for Deputy Fish and Game Commissioner, to be held at the places and on the dates announced below, to provide separate registers of eligibles from which to fill positions for the three administrative districts of the State Fish and Game Commission. The entrance salaries range from $90 to $100 a month with traveling expenses.

Place.	Date.
San Francisco,	June 23-24, 1916
Sacramento,	June 26 "
Red Bluff,	June 28, "
Fresno,	July 1, "
San Diego,	July 3, "
Los Angeles,	July 5, "
Santa Barbara,	July 7, "
Eureka,	July 10, "

This examination is open to all American citizens who will have resided in California for a period of one year at the time of the examination, who are between the ages of 23 and 45 on the date of the examination and who are in good physical condition.

The subjects for the examination will be as follows:

	Relative Weight.
1. Interpretation of the Game Laws.....	15
This will consist of the application of fish and game laws to hypothetical cases. During this part of the examination, candidates will be allowed to refer to copies of the fish and game laws. (Free copies of these laws can be secured from the State Fish and Game Commission, New Call Bldg., San Francisco, Forum Bldg., Sacramento, and Union League Bldg., Los Angeles).	
2. Knowledge of Duties	15
Under this head, questions will be asked to draw out the candidate's knowledge of what constitutes a violation of the law, of methods of dealing with violators, making arrests, gathering and preparing evidence, and of presenting cases to justices of the peace.	
3. Practical Knowledge of Fish and Game Districts	15
This subject will require a knowledge of the fish and game and of the methods and implements of fishing and hunting in the various fish and game districts, together with the fish and game laws especially applicable to these districts.	
4. Education, Experience and Personality...	55
Under this head, candidates will be given credit for any education and experience that will fit them for the duties of the position to be filled. Ratings under this subject will be given by a special Board of Examiners designated for the purpose by the Civil Service Commission. At the time of the oral examination which this Board will conduct, candidates will be required to identify specimens of fish and game and will be classified for service in one of the three administrative districts in accordance with their knowledge of the fish and game and the special conditions of that district.	
Total.	100

In the morning, candidates will be given the oral examination as to their experience and fitness and general knowledge of California fish and game, and will be tested as to their ability to identify specimens. From the showing made at this examination, candidates will be classified for mountain, coast or bay service. Only those candidates who qualify in this portion of the examination will be given the written test in the afternoon.

Candidates who fail to secure an average rating of 70% in the written test and a final average rating of 70% will be considered as having failed in the examination.

Persons desiring to enter this examination should apply at once to the State Civil Service Commission, Forum Bldg., Sacramento, for application form No. 2, stating the name of the examination for which they are applying.

STATE CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION.

In keeping with the order of the tournament Dick Reed with his Remington Pump and Nitro Club pounded out the high general average of 571x600 and also recorded the highest score made in the double target event, 46x50.

THE FARM

AGAIN BREAKS WORLD'S RECORD.

Again a yearling world's record has been broken by a Pacific Coast cow; this time by the wonderful junior four-year-old cow, Forward Somerset Duchess, who today holds no less than three world's records, all made during one lactation period.

Forward Somerset Duchess freshened in January, 1915, as a junior four-year-old, and made a seven-day record of 28.308 pounds of butter from 825.4 pounds of milk; for 30 days she bave 106.510 pounds of butter from 2840.1 pounds of milk; her milk production for both seven and 30 days being world's records. She was then continued on official test for one year, being the second cow of the breed in the United States to be tested officially for an entire year. Eight months after calving, in August, 1915, her production was 18.597 pounds of butter from 493.8 pounds of milk in seven days.

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8:00 p. m.—Dance and special events on midway.

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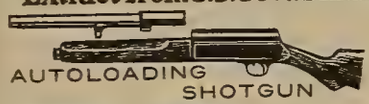
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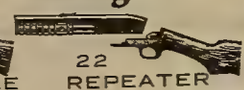
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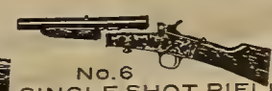
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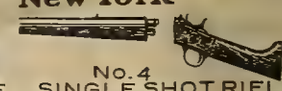
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